#### **Development of the Alaska Coastal Ocean Forecast System ALCOFS**

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## **ALCOFS regional domain**



## **ALCOFS framework for multi-physics fast operational modeling**

CFSv2 Global Atmospheric Model @

#### ADCIRC 2D

with baroclinic pressure gradient, internal tide, and dispersion terms

WAVEWATCH III Wave Energy

**CICE** Regional Sea Ice Model

HYCOM 3D Global Circulation @

Multi-physics interfacing heterogeneous models over a unified domain

Dynamic coupling of ADCIRC 2D, WAVEWATCH III, HYCOM and CICE

Interleafing over a unified domain on heterogeneous grids communicating through ESMF/NUOPC

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## 1. Evolving an Alaska tide and storm surge model within operational constraints

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internal tide, and dispersion terms

#### CFSv2 and GOFS3.1 sea ice data @



#### **Development of a light operational mesh for the region**

#### Mesh4-fp-v2 triangulation

#### Mesh4-fp-v2 bathymetry



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#### Mesh resolution (m)

## M<sub>2</sub> amplitudes (m) and phases (degrees) for Mesh4-fp-v2



#### M<sub>2</sub> amplitude (m) and phase (degrees) errors for Mesh0 and Mesh4-fp-v2



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 $C_{dn10} = (1 - A) C_{d,a \to w} + A C_{skin,a \to i \to w} + A C_{form,a \to i \to w} (1 - A)^{\beta}$ 

A



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 $C_{dn10} = (1 - A) C_{d,a \to w} + A C_{skin,a \to i \to w} + A C_{form,a \to i \to w} (1 - A)^{\beta}$ Form drag reduction as A increases is controlled by  $\beta$ 



## Optimizing air through ice to sea drag laws: November 2011 Fringe ice





Computed water level with no ice and ice with varying  $\beta$  values in the C. Lüpkes et al. (2012) formula.

## Optimizing air through ice to sea drag laws: February 2011 Pack ice

23-Feb-2011 03:00:00

-180

-190

-150

-160

-140

-130



Computed water level with no ice and ice with varying  $\beta$  values in the C. Lüpkes et al. (2012) formula.

## **Optimizing** *air through ice to sea* drag laws: *January 2017 Partial ice*





## **Optimizing** *air through ice to sea* drag laws: *February 2019 Partial ice*





Computed water level with no ice and ice with varying  $\beta$  values in the C. Lüpkes et al. (2012) formula.

## 3. Evolving a coupled Alaska tide, storm surge and wind wave model

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## Evolving a coupled Alaska tide, storm surge and wind wave model





Significant wave height

Comparison of significant wave height with the physical location of buoy on the right

## Evolving a coupled Alaska tide, storm surge and wind wave model



Comparison of significant wave heights computed with WW3 to JASON1-A Altimetry derived values on Nov. 09<sup>th</sup> 2011 around 20:50

## 4. Developing a high resolution CICE regional model component



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## **Developing a high resolution CICE regional model component**



### 5. Baroclinicity as a driver of steric water level fluctuations and ocean currents

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Heterogeneous mode splitting

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} + (\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} + f \boldsymbol{k} \times \boldsymbol{u} = -\nabla \left[ \frac{p_s}{\rho_0} + g(\zeta - \zeta_{EQ} - \zeta_{SAL}) + \frac{\nabla M}{H} - \frac{\nabla D}{H} - \frac{\nabla B}{H} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_s}{\rho_0 H} - \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_b}{\rho_0 H} - \mathcal{F}_{IT} \right]$$

Baroclinic pressure gradient (BPG):

$$\nabla B = \int_{-h}^{\zeta} \left( g \nabla \left[ \int_{z}^{\zeta} \frac{\rho - \rho_{0}}{\rho_{0}} \right] dz \right) dz$$

Momentum Dispersion:

$$\nabla D = \nabla \int_{-h}^{0} \left[ (\boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{V}) \cdot (\boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{V}) \right] dz$$

Internal tide induced barotropic energy conversion:

$$\mathcal{F}_{IT} = C_{IT} \frac{[(N_b^2 - \omega^2)(\tilde{N}^2 - \omega^2)]^{1/2}}{\omega} (\nabla h \cdot \boldsymbol{u}) \nabla h$$

#### **GOFS3.1 forcing of the ADCIRC global model: currents**



#### **GOFS3.1** forcing of the ADCIRC global model: sea surface elevation



# Comparison of sea surface height RMS variability between GOFS3.1 and ADCIRC forced with GOFS3.1 temperature and density fields



**GOFS 3.1** 

ADCIRC forced with GOFS 3.1 temperature and salinity fields

#### Sample comparison of 30 day averaged water levels – Atlantic Basin



#### Sample comparison of 30 day averaged water levels – Western Pacific



#### Sample comparison of 30 day averaged water levels – Eastern Pacific



## 6. Global model tide sensitivity to bathymetry and high resolution insets

#### Mesh

Global 24-2 Global 24-2 Global 24-2 + Mesh4-fp-v2

#### **Bathymetry**

GEBCO2015, Asia high res GEBCO2019, CHS NONNA-100 GEBCO2019, CHS NONNA-100, NOAA Alaska CRM



## **Global 24-2 M<sub>2</sub> tide with GEBCO2015 and HR Asia compared to TPX09 Atlas**



## Global 24-2 with GEBCO2019 & CHS NONNA-100 compared to TPX09 Atlas



# Global 24-2 <u>+ Mesh4-fp-v2</u> with GEBCO2019, CHS NONNA-100 and <u>NOAA CRM</u> compared to TPX09 Atlas



# Global 24-2 with GEBCO2015 and HR Asia bathy compared to M<sub>2</sub> station data <u>run with updated ADCIRC</u>



# Global 24-2 with <u>GEBCO2019 & CHS NONNA-100 bathy</u> compared to M<sub>2</sub> station data run with updated ADCIRC



# Global 24-2 <u>+ Mesh4-fp-v2</u> with GEBCO2019, CHS NONNA-100 and <u>NOAA CRM</u> compared to TPX09 Atlas



#### **Regions of strong global tidal dissipation**



Egbert and Ray, 2000

#### 7. ALCOFS framework path forward

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- Evolve meshes with higher inland detail
- Improve inner shelf and estuarine bathymetry
- Full integration into the updated global 24-2 shell
- Radiation stresses from wave model to ADCIRC
- Test various ice physics options in WW3
- Fully couple into high resolution CICE
- Integration of components using ESMF/NUOPC