

Au-delà de la diffusion turbulente: la convection et ses paramétrisations

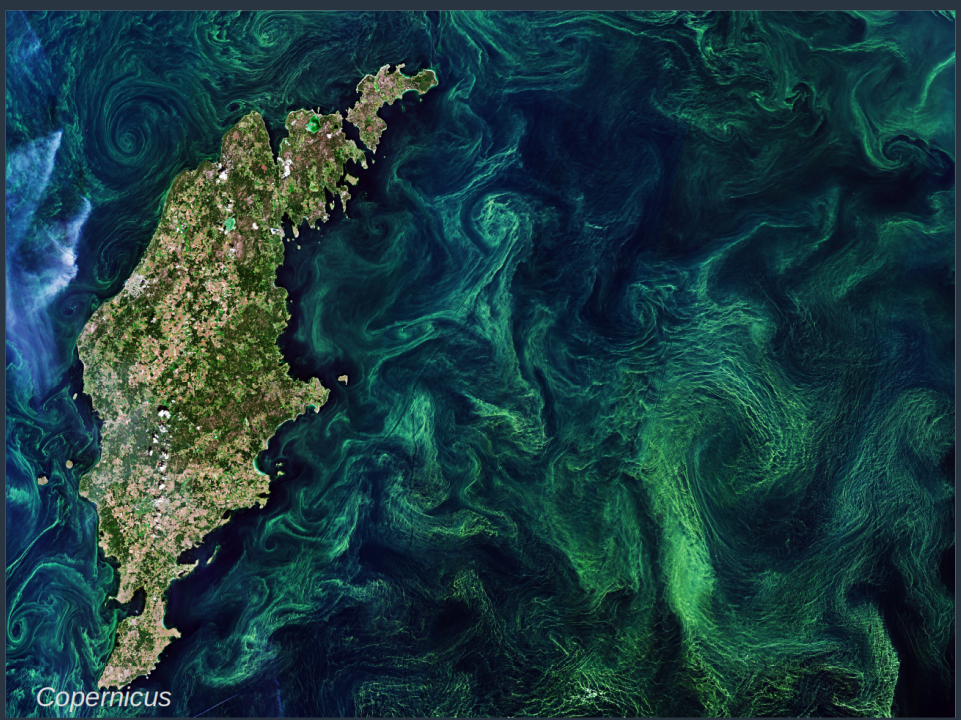
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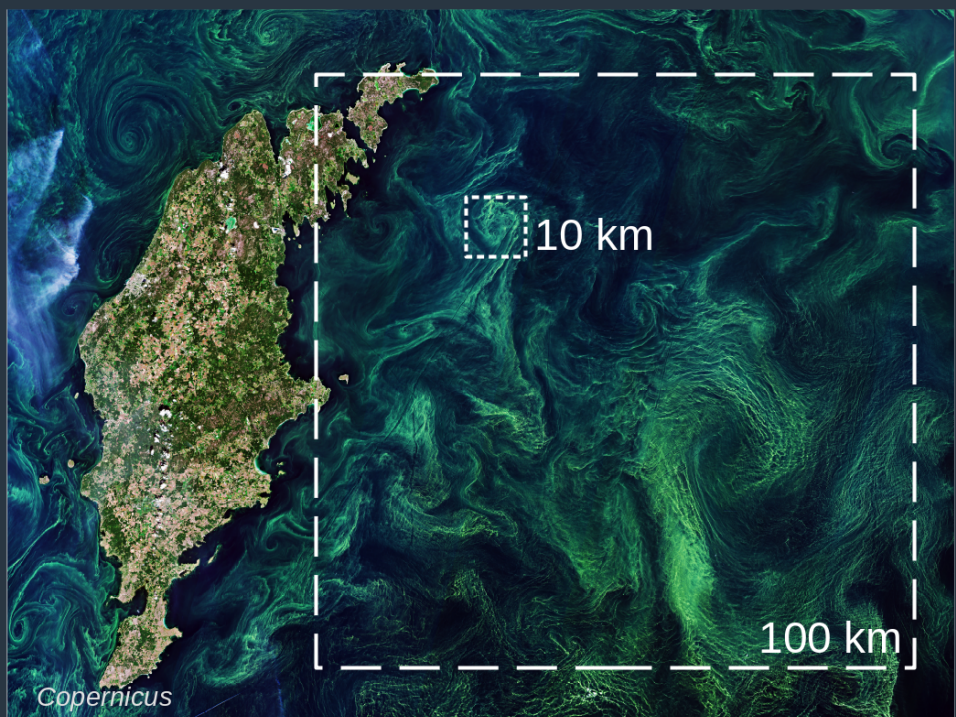
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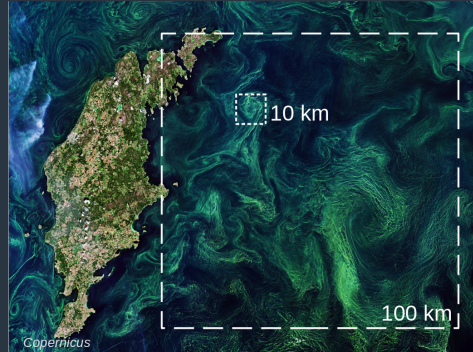
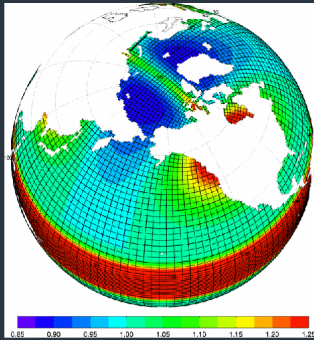
The need for parameterization in climate models



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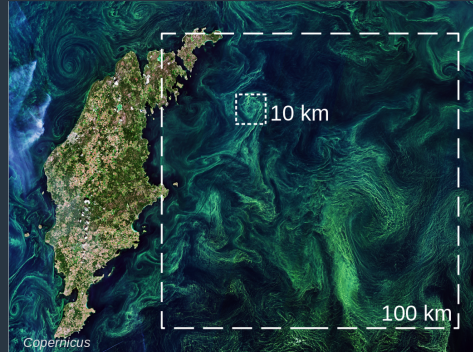
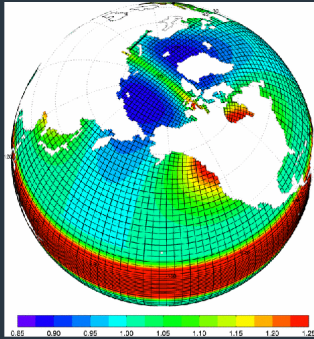


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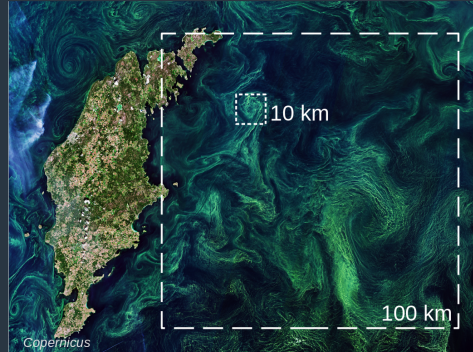
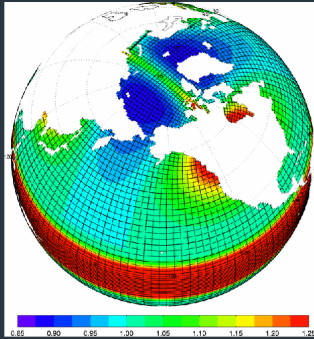
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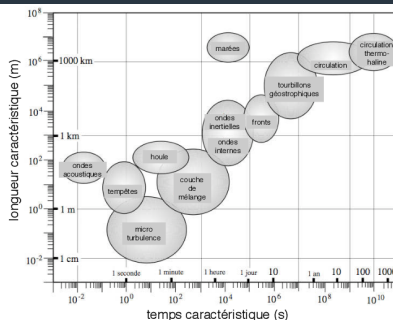
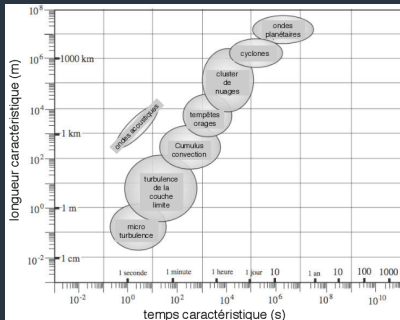


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For each process: effects on large scales are **important?** **yes** \implies parameterization

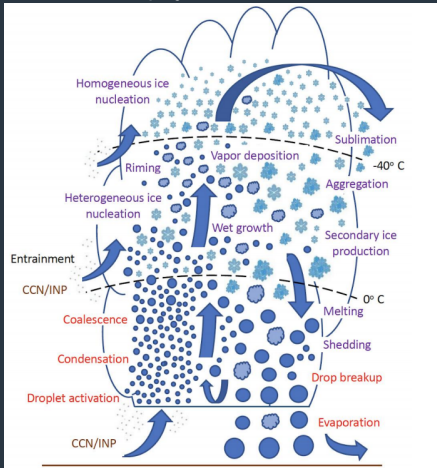
Turbulence and waves in ocean and atmosphere



adapted from von Storch et al., 1999

Apart from turbulence

Cloud micro-physics



Morrison *et al.* 2020

Radiative transfer



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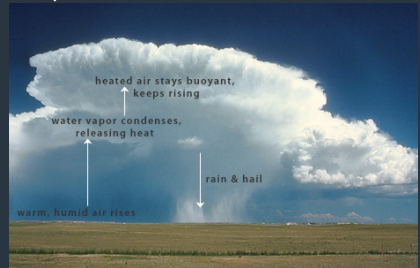
Convection in stratified fluids

Atmospheric convection

Shallow / boundary layer convection



Deep convection



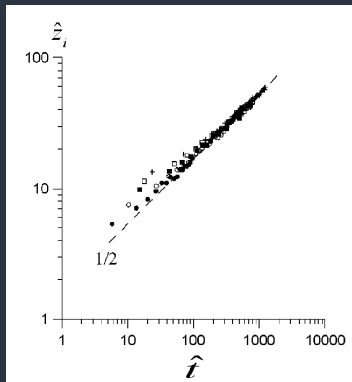
Oceanic Convection

- cooling
- evaporation
- double-diffusion
- brine rejection

+ video of Oceananigans from Ali Ramadhan

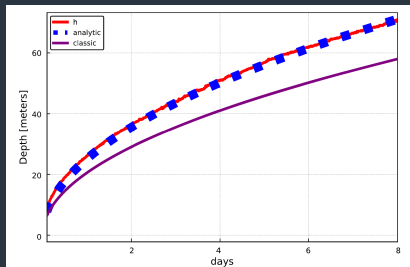
Introduction sur la convection dans l'atmosphère et dans l'océan +
modèles d'ordre 0 → *voir notes manuscrites*

Boundary layer height



Fedorovich 2004

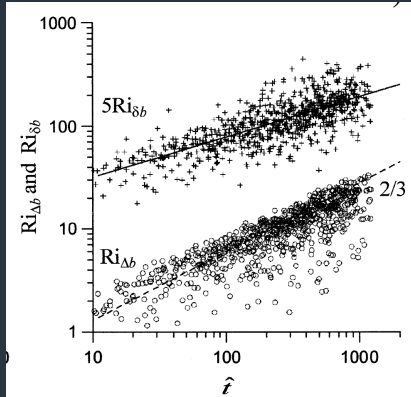
$$\hat{z}_i = \frac{h}{L_0}, \quad \hat{t} = tN_0$$



Souza 2020

$$h_{\text{analytic}} = \sqrt{3} \sqrt{2 \frac{B_0}{N_0^2} t}$$

Buoyancy jump



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$$Ri_{\Delta b} = \frac{\Delta b h}{w_*^2}$$

Limitations

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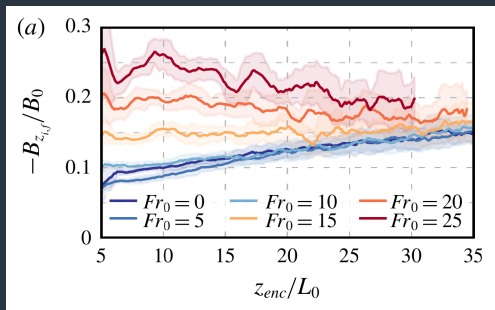
[Garcia & Mellado, 2014]: entrainment zone has a two-layer structure

$$\Delta h_1 \simeq 0.25h$$

$$\Delta h_2 \simeq 1.2L_0$$

ex: for oceanic deep convection, $B_0 \simeq 10^{-7} \text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-3}$, $N_0^2 \simeq 10^{-7} \text{s}^{-2}$
 $L_0 \simeq 60 \text{m}$

- Effects of mean wind(atmosphere) or surface stress (ocean)?



Hagshenas & Mellado 2019

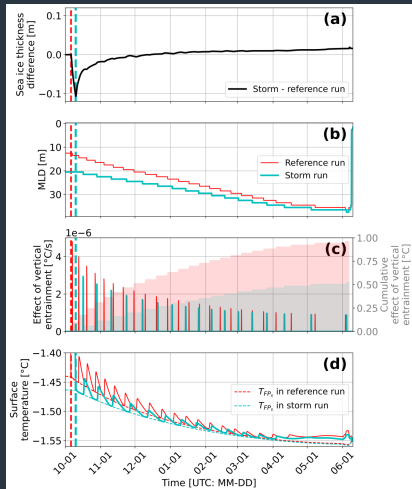
$$Fr_0 = \frac{U_0}{L_0 N_0}$$

$$\frac{B_0}{B_h} \simeq \left(0.45 \left(\frac{h}{L_0} \right)^{-1} - 0.12 \right) \frac{\Delta h}{0.25h} \left[0.82 + 0.18 \frac{\Delta h}{0.25h} \right]$$

$$\Delta h = \frac{U_0 - u_m}{\partial_z \bar{u}}$$

→ Kelvin-Helmholtz instabilities increase vertical entrainment!

Ocean-Ice interactions



Proposed mechanism:
Ice formation \longrightarrow brine (salt)
rejection \longrightarrow convection \longrightarrow
entrainment of warmer water below
 \longrightarrow warming of mixed layer
 \longrightarrow inhibition of ice formation...

Bent et al., submitted

Summary and outlook

- simple "slab" models predicts main features
- in practice, it is not fully self-similar
- for boundary layer mathematicians: coupling surface layer (Monin-Obukhov), mixed layer and entrainment zone?

Eddy-Diffusivity Mass-Flux Models

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{LES} & \text{vs.} & \text{SCM} \\ \partial_t X + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}X = S_X \overrightarrow{\overline{(\cdot)}^{x,y}} \overline{X}, \overline{w'X'} & \text{vs.} & \partial_t \overline{X}^{SCM} + \partial_z \overline{w'X'}^{SCM} = \overline{S} \end{array}$$

$$X = \mathbf{u}, \theta, S \dots$$

Standard TKE parameterizations

Boussinesq hypothesis: analogy with molecular diffusion

$$\overline{w'X'} \stackrel{\text{param}}{=} -K_X \partial_z \bar{X}$$

Heuristic derivation: assume fluctuations X' are due to parcel motion w' at a distance l_X , then $X' \simeq l_X \partial_z \bar{X}$ and

$$\overline{w'X'} \simeq -l_X \overline{|w'|} \partial_z \bar{X}$$

Motivates turbulent kinetic energy (TKE) closures

$$K_X = -c_X l_X \sqrt{k} \partial_z \bar{X}$$

Turbulent Kinetic Energy

$$\text{TKE } k := \frac{1}{2} \overline{\mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{u}'}$$

$$\partial_t k + \partial_z T = Sh + B - \epsilon$$

where

- TKE fluxes $T := \overline{w' \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathbf{u}' + \frac{1}{\rho_0} w' p' - \nu \partial_z k}$
- Shear production $Sh := -\overline{w' \mathbf{u}'_h} \cdot \partial_z \overline{\mathbf{u}}_h$
- Buoyancy production $B := \overline{w' b'}$
- viscous dissipation $\epsilon := \nu \overline{\nabla \mathbf{u}' : \nabla \mathbf{u}'}$

Commonly parameterized with eddy-diffusivity closures:

$$\partial_t k + \partial_z (-K_k \partial_z k) = K_m \partial_z \overline{\mathbf{u}}_h \cdot \partial_z \overline{\mathbf{u}}_h - K_\phi \partial_z \bar{b} - \frac{c_\epsilon}{l_\epsilon} k^{3/2}$$

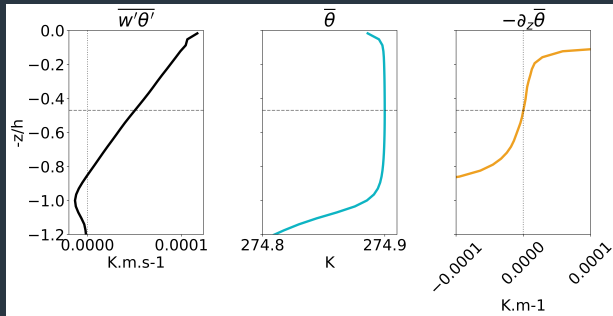
Detailed review in the *neutral* case ($b = cst$) in [Chacón-Rebollo & Lewandowski 2014] book:

- existence of weak solution for *stationary* TKE
- no such result for unsteady TKE models

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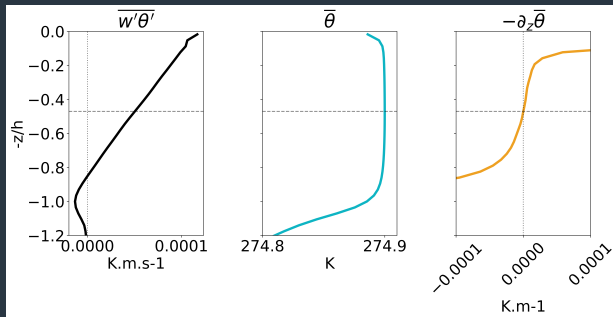
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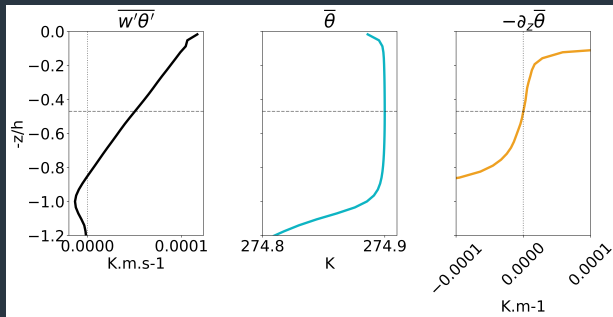


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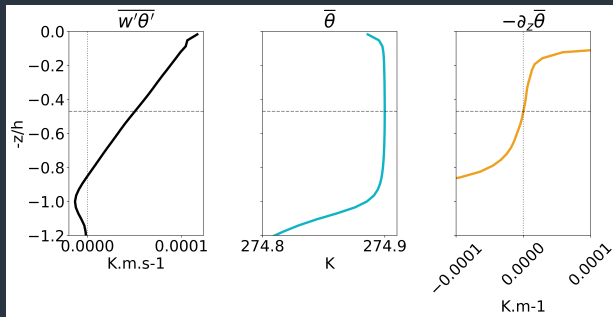
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In NEMO: TKE scheme + **Enhance Vertical Diffusion (EVD)** to
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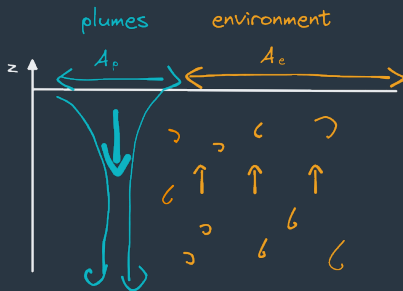
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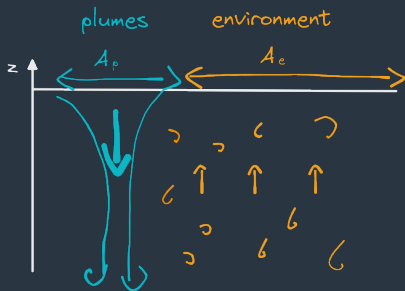
- **sensitivity** to parameters and **calibration**

What can be formally done?

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$$\int_A X \, dx dy = \frac{A_p}{A} \int_{A_p} X \, dx dy + \frac{A_e}{A} \int_{A_e} X \, dx dy$$
$$\updownarrow$$
$$\bar{X} = a_p X_p + a_e X_e$$

a_p, a_e : fractional areas of subdomains $a_p + a_e = 1$

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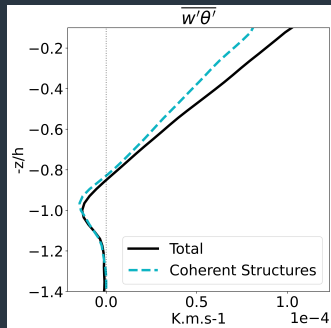
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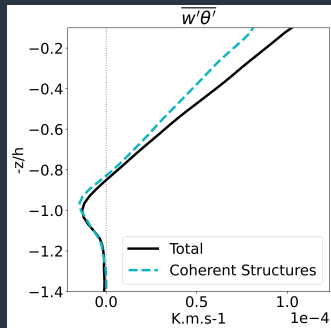


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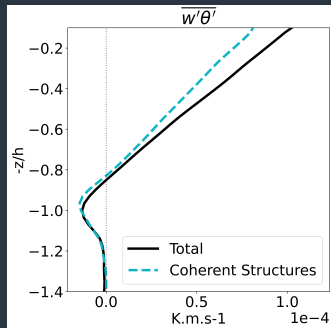


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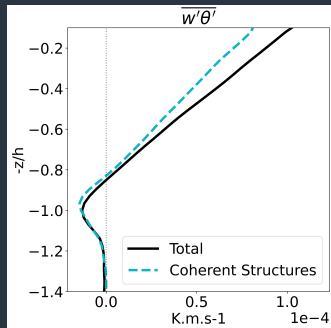


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How to parameterize
 $a_p, w_p, X_p?$

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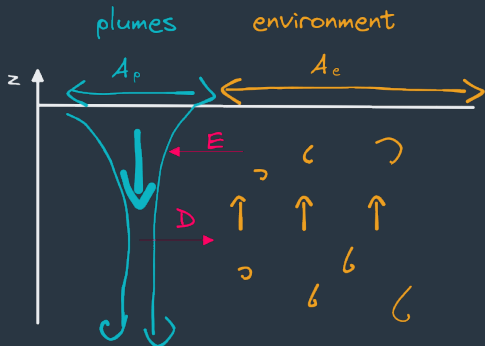
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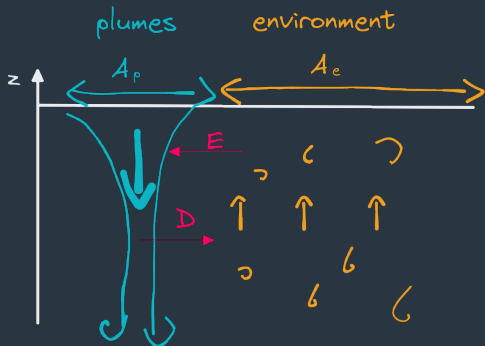
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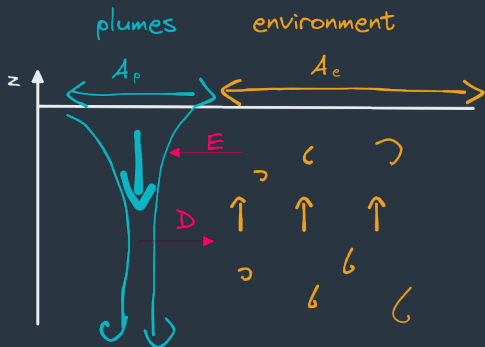
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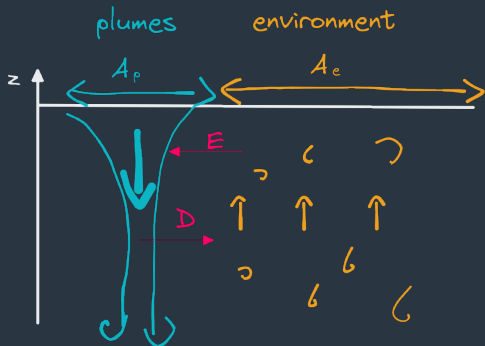
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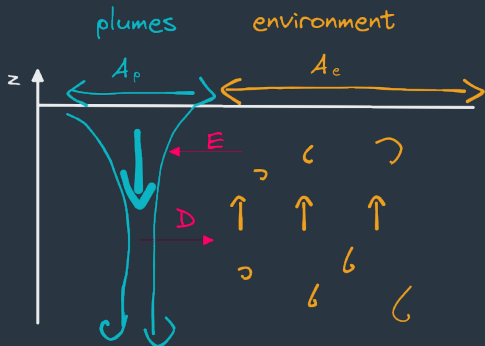
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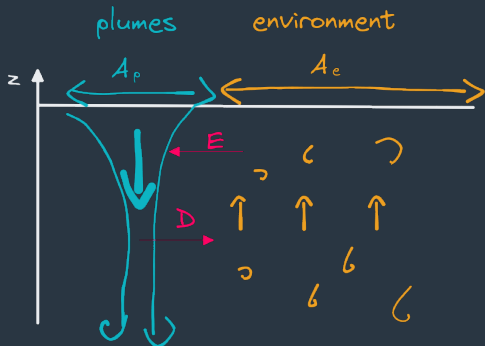
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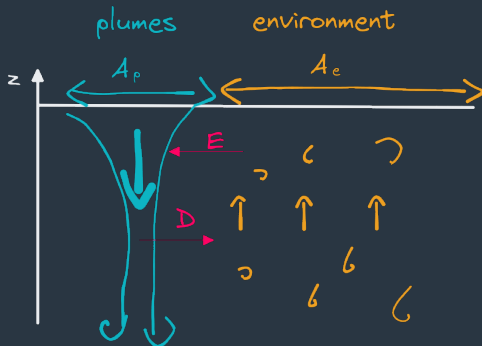
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Steady-plume hypothesis

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$$\text{order of magn. } \frac{dh/dt}{W} \ll 1$$

ex: for idealized free convection ($W = w_*$) or pure shear ($W = u_*$)

$$\frac{dh/dt}{W} \propto (N_0 t)^{-1/3}$$

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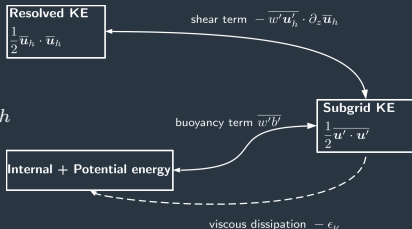
But `mass-flux` leads to energy transfers, so it should be carefully taken into account into TKE!

Resolved internal and potential energy reads

$$E_i + E_p = z(g - \bar{b}) + \overline{h(p_0, \phi)} - \frac{p_0}{\rho_0}$$

KE, TKE and IE+PE budget

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t E_k + \partial_z T_{E_k} = \overline{w' \mathbf{u}'_h} \cdot \partial_z \bar{\mathbf{u}}_h \\ \partial_t k + \partial_z T_k = -\overline{w' \mathbf{u}'_h} \cdot \partial_z \bar{\mathbf{u}}_h \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad + \overline{w' b'} - \bar{\epsilon}_\nu \\ \partial_t (E_i + E_p) + \partial_z T_h = -\overline{w' b'} + \bar{\epsilon}_\nu \end{array} \right.$$



Standard ocean model approximations

$E_i + E_p$ for seawater (and linear EOS)

$$\partial_t (c_p \bar{\theta} - z \bar{b}) = \bar{\epsilon}_\nu - \partial_z (c_p \overline{w' \theta'} - z \overline{w' b'}) - \overline{w' b'} \quad (1)$$

[McDougall 2003]: $\bar{\epsilon}_\nu \rightarrow$ heating of $10^{-3} K$ per 100 years...
neglecting $\bar{\epsilon}_\nu \implies$ decoupling of $\bar{\theta}/\bar{B}$ equations

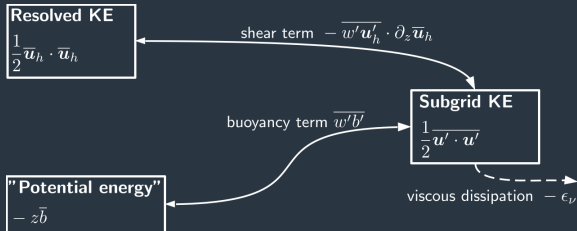
$$\partial_t \bar{\theta} = -\partial_z \overline{w' \theta'} \quad (2)$$

$$\partial_t (-z \bar{b}) = -\partial_z (-z \overline{w' b'}) - \overline{w' b'} \quad (3)$$

Ocean SCM energy budget

Oceanic "Potential" Energy: $\tilde{E}_p = -z\bar{b}$

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An consistent TKE equation

To close the resolved+unresolved energy budget, we need:

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$$\overline{T_k} \underset{\text{EDMF}}{=} \underbrace{-K_k \partial_z k}_{ED} + \underbrace{a_p w_p \left(k_p - k + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}_p - \bar{\mathbf{u}}\|^2 \right)}_{MF}$$

with plume inner TKE $k_p = 1/2 \overline{\mathbf{u}'_p \cdot \mathbf{u}'_p}$

Main equilibrium

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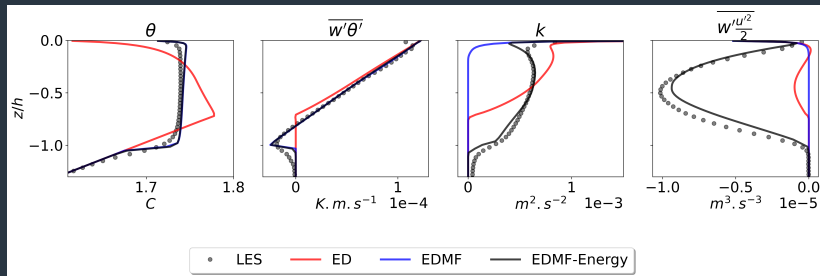
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Free convection into linear stratification

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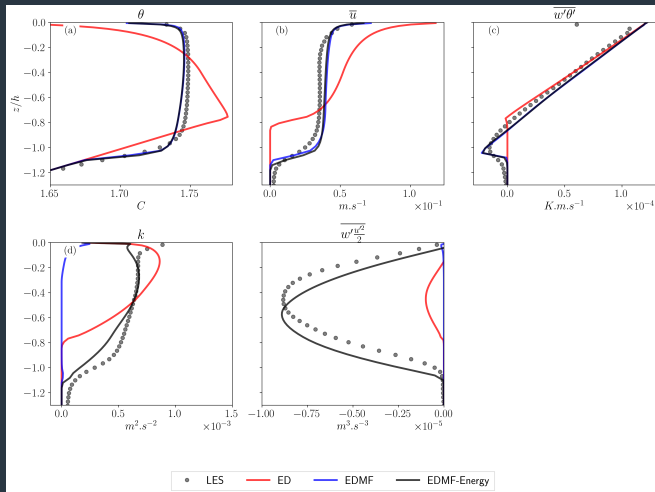
LES= high resolution reference, ED = Eddy Diffusivity only,

EDMF = EDMF + Standard TKE equation, EDMF-Energy = EDMF + new TKE equation

- good representation of turbulent statistics
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Surface Cooling and Wind stress

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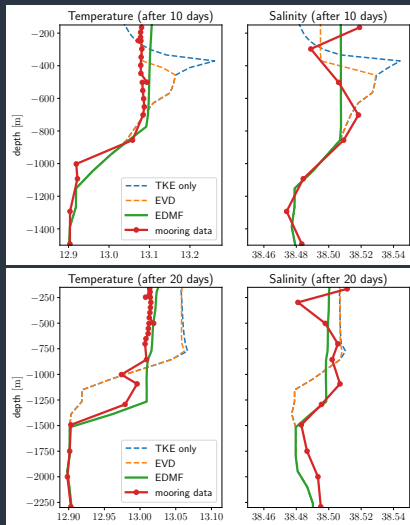
ASICS-MED Campaign

Real data during violent events of convection: January-March 2013



Data provided by Hervé Giordani, and corrected fluxes by [Caniaux et al. 2017]

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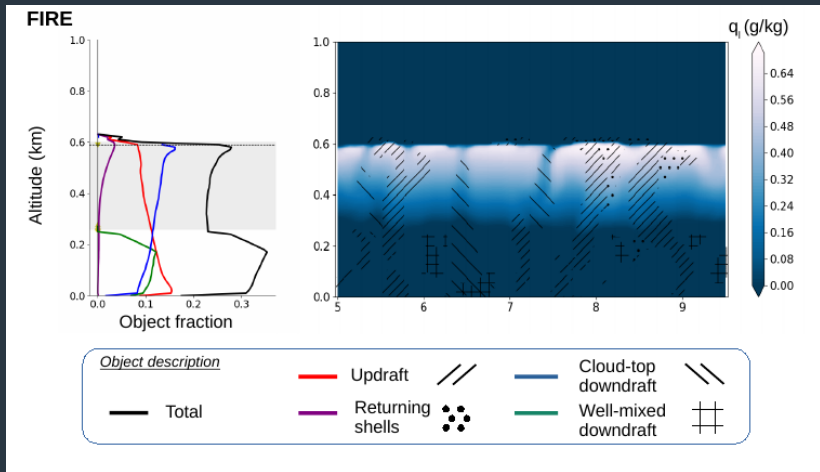


Summary:

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 - formal derivation from first principles + hypothesis
 - flexible to incorporate other processes
 - derive energy budgets
 - scale-awareness

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[Brient et al 2023]



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[Suselj et al 2019, Hourdin et al 2019]
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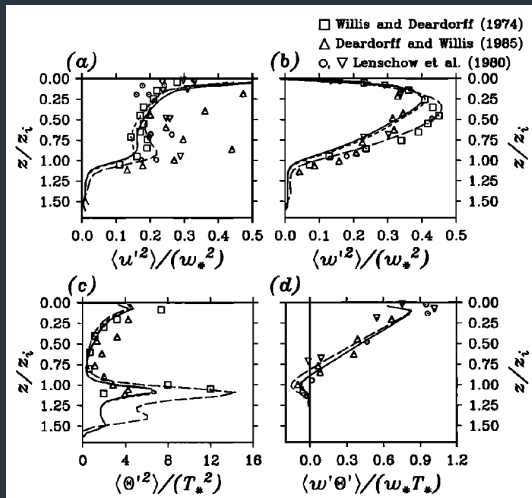
Oceanic Deep Convection:

$$Ro_* \simeq 0.01 - 1, l_{\text{rot}} = 500 - 1000\text{m}, \tau = 10^4 - 10^5\text{s}$$

Atmospheric Convection:

$$Ro_* \simeq 10 - 100, l_{\text{rot}} = 10^5 - 10^6\text{m}, \tau = 10 - 30\text{min}$$

Plume dynamics



plain: full Coriolis
short dashed: trad. Coriolis

long dashed: no Coriolis

→ plumes are less energetic and less penetrative!

→ how to parameterize this effect?

Denbo & Skyllingstad JGR 1996

Full Coriolis

$$\mathbf{f} = 2\Omega \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f^\perp \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{D}{Dt}u + f^\perp w - fv = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \partial_x p$$

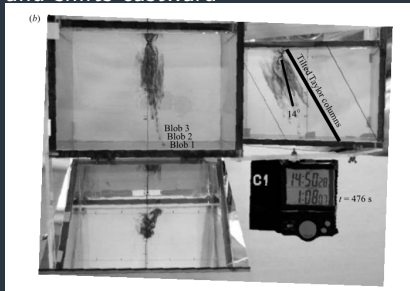
$$\frac{D}{Dt}v + fu = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \partial_y p$$

$$\frac{D}{Dt}w - f^\perp u = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \partial_z p + b$$

Convection is non-hydrostatic ($O(u/w) = 1$) so non-traditional terms should be retained

Plume scale effects

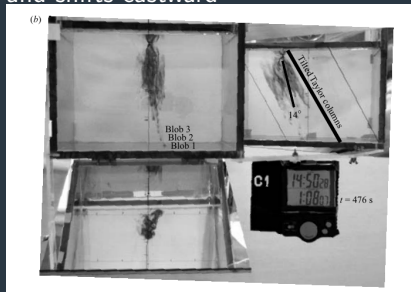
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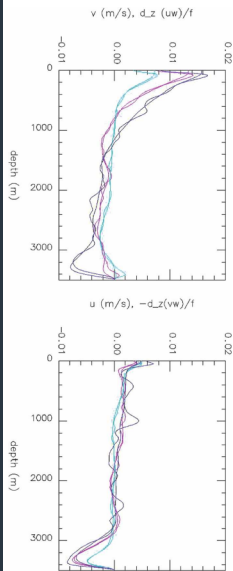
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Simple model: buoyant parcel into lighter environment $b_{\text{parcel}} < b_{\text{env}}$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{U}(t) + \mathbf{f} \times \mathbf{U} = (b_{\text{parcel}} - b_{\text{env}})\mathbf{e}_z$$

Analogous of charged particle in an electric and magnetic field!

Mean effects



[Wirth&Barnier 2008]: Homogeneous buoyancy loss B_0 with full rotation

Tilted convection \implies asymmetric perturbations
 $\overline{w'u'} \neq 0$ $\overline{w'v'} \neq 0$

On average, creates a mean circulation of $O(1 \text{ cm s}^{-1})$

$$\overline{v}^{x,y,t} = \frac{1}{f} \partial_z \overline{w'u'}^{x,y,t}$$

$$\overline{u}^{x,y,t} = -\frac{1}{f} \partial_z \overline{w'v'}^{x,y,t}$$

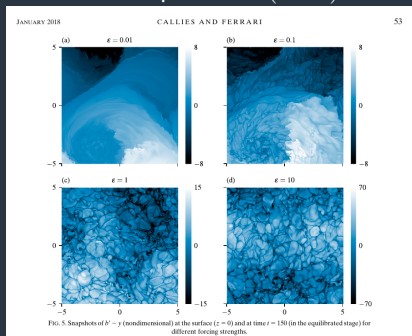
Add full Coriolis to **EDMF plume equations?**

Convection vs. baroclinic instability

With horizontal buoyancy gradients, submesoscale baroclinic instability at scales $O(1 \text{ km})$ can occur \implies restratification by baroclinic eddies

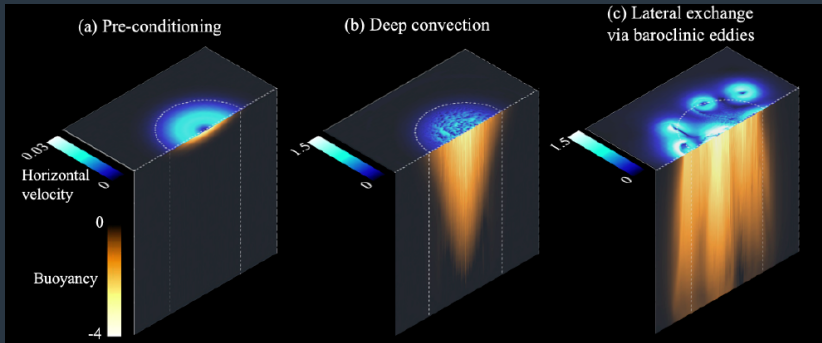
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Convective plumes $O(1 \text{ km})$ overturn \implies destratification



$$\epsilon = \frac{\text{destabilizing flux}}{\text{baroclinic flux}} = \frac{B_0}{(\partial_y b_0 h)^2 / f}$$

Convective patch



Vreugdenhil&Bayen 2020, adapted from Sohail et al. 2020

Inertial Oscillations in a Zero Order Model

Wind storm blowing over the ocean

Start again from horizontal momentum budget

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{f} \times \mathbf{u} = -\partial_z \overline{w' \mathbf{u}'}$$

Integrating over the mixed layer: $\mathbf{U}_m := \frac{1}{h} \int_{-h}^0 \mathbf{u} \, dz$

$$h \partial_t \mathbf{U}_m + \mathbf{f} \times (h \mathbf{U}_m) = \overline{w' \mathbf{u}'}_0 - \overline{w' \mathbf{u}'}_h$$

Integrating over the entrainment jump:

$$\overline{w' \mathbf{u}'}_h = -\Delta \mathbf{u} \partial_t h$$

If fluid is at rest in the stratified zone $\Delta \mathbf{u} = 0 - \mathbf{U}_m$:

$$\partial_t (h \mathbf{U}_m) + \mathbf{f} \times (h \mathbf{U}_m) = \overbrace{w' \mathbf{u}'}_0^{u_*^2}$$

Solution in complex notation: $\underline{U}_m(t) = \frac{1}{h(t)} \frac{u_*^2}{if} (1 - e^{-ift})$

Inertial Oscillations

$$U_m(t) = \frac{1}{h(t)} \frac{u_*^2}{if} (1 - e^{-ift})$$

Oscillations on the time scale $1/f \simeq 10$ hours at midlatitude

Dominant energetic mode of internal waves

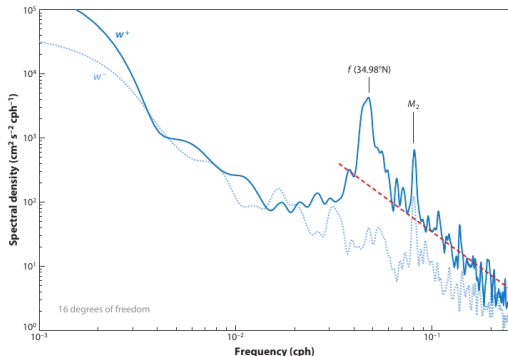


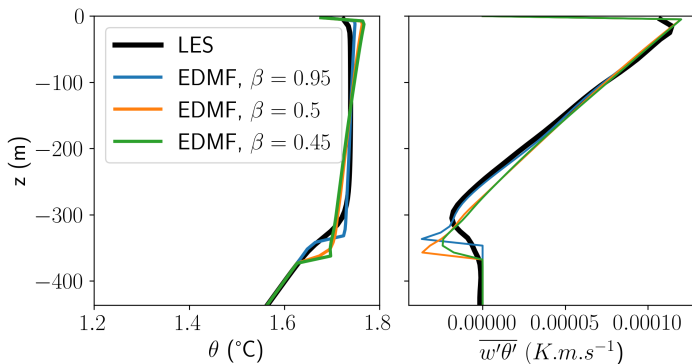
Figure 1

Rotary velocity spectrum at 261-m depth from current-meter data from the WHOI699 mooring gathered during the WESTPAC1 experiment (mooring at 6,149-m depth.) The solid blue line (w^+) is clockwise motion, and the dashed blue line (w^-) is counterclockwise motion; the differences between these emphasize the downward energy propagation that often dominates the near-inertial band. The dashed red line is the line $E_0 N \omega^{-p}$ with $N = 2.0$ cycles per hour (cph), $E_0 = 0.096 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-2} \text{ cph}^{-2}$, and $p = 2.25$, which is quantitatively similar to levels in the Cartesian spectra presented by Fu (1981) for station 5 of the Polygon Mid-Ocean Experiment (POLYMODE) II array.

Parameter estimation and sensitivity

Sensitivity to parameters

Free Convection after 72h, $Q_0 = -500W.m^{-2}$, $\Delta T = 1K/1000m$



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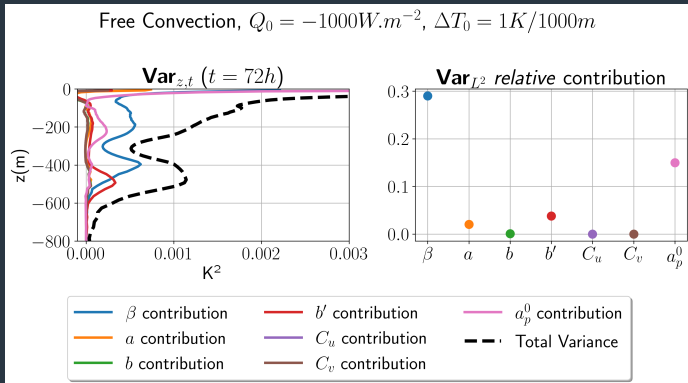
$$\mathbf{Var}_{L^2} [\theta(\mathbf{C})] = \mathbf{E} \left[\int_0^T \int_{-H}^0 (\theta(z, t; \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{E}\theta(z, t; \mathbf{C}))^2 dz dt \right]$$

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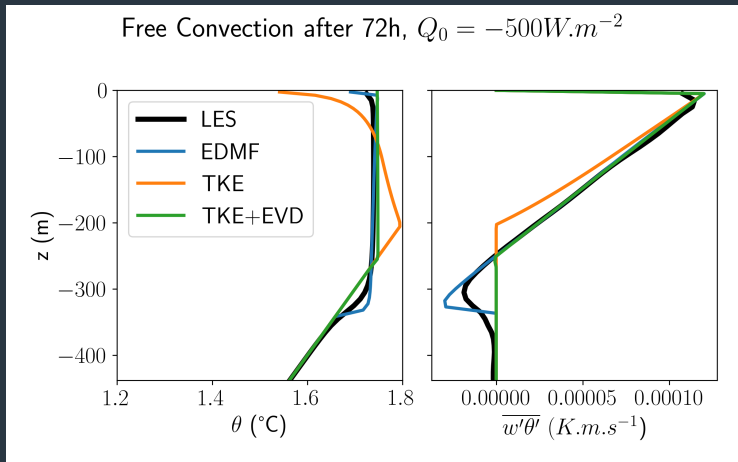
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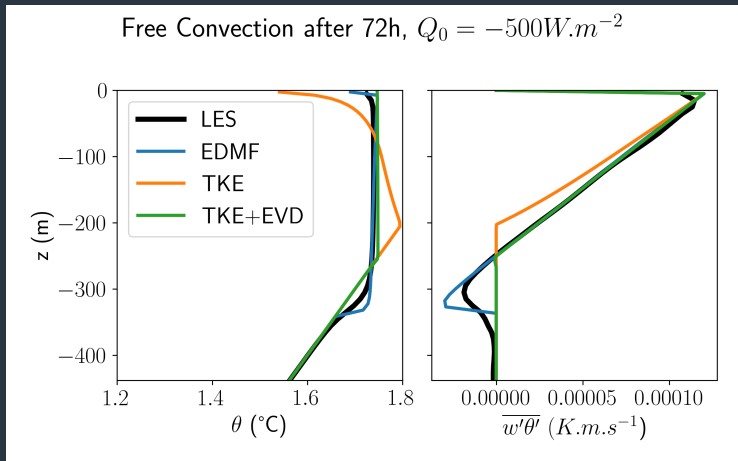
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