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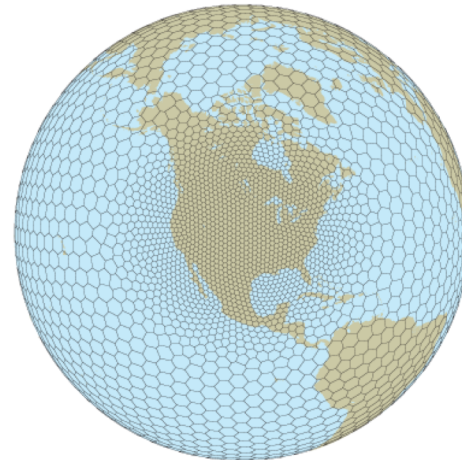
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A variable resolution MPAS Voronoi mesh

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Build the MPAS initialization program and the MPAS model

In MPAS-Release-6.1 (or wherever your MPAS code is located):

In the README file, for the mountain wave test case only:

- * *Running the mountain wave test case requires both the 'init_atmosphere_model'*
- * *and 'atmosphere_model' executables to be compiled with -DROTATED_GRID added*
- * *to the specification of MODEL_FORMULATION at the top of MPAS/Makefile.*
- *
- * *Please be sure to clean and compile both executables with the -DROTATED_GRID*
- * *flag set before running this test case!*

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Build the MPAS initialization program and the MPAS model

In MPAS-Release-6.1 (or wherever your MPAS code is located):

The MPAS initialization executable

Edit the Makfile as directed in the README file.

>make clean CORE=init_atmosphere

>make ifort CORE=init_atmosphere (other options here, e.g. PRECISION=single USE_PIO2=true etc.)

This will produce the executable *init_atmosphere_model*

The MPAS model executable

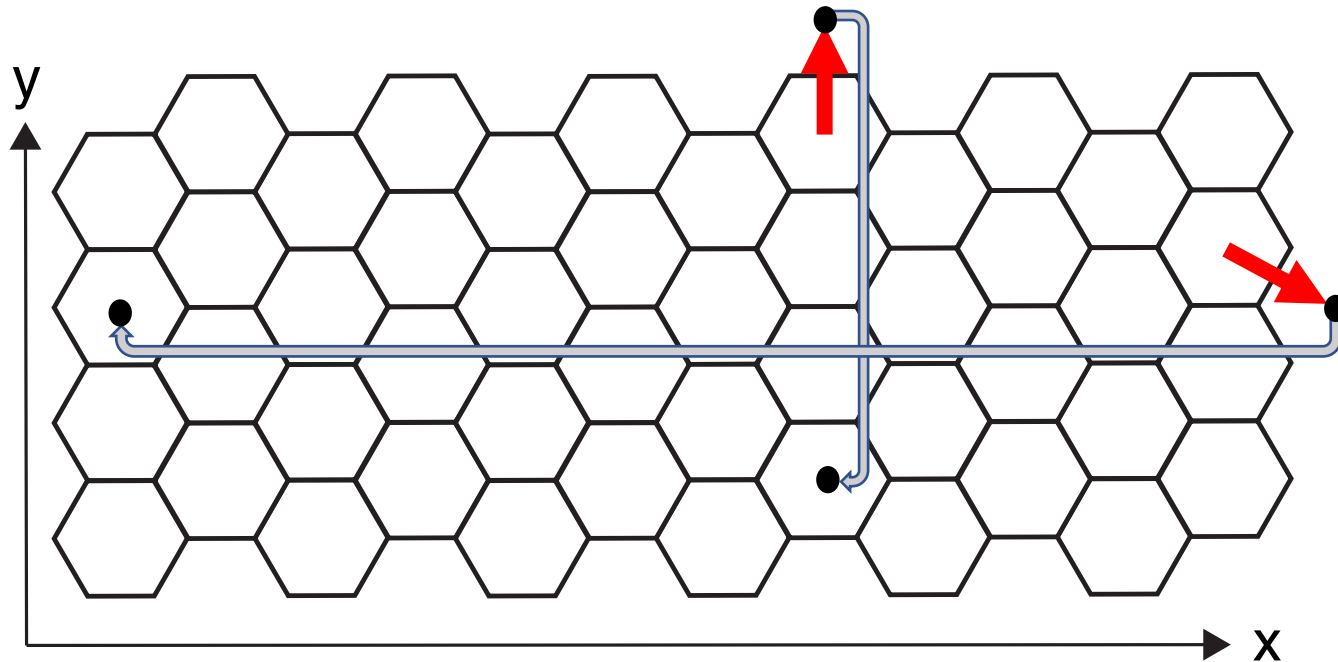
>make clean CORE=atmosphere

>make ifort CORE=atmosphere (other options here, e.g. PRECISION=single USE_PIO2=true etc.)

This will produce the executable *atmosphere_model*

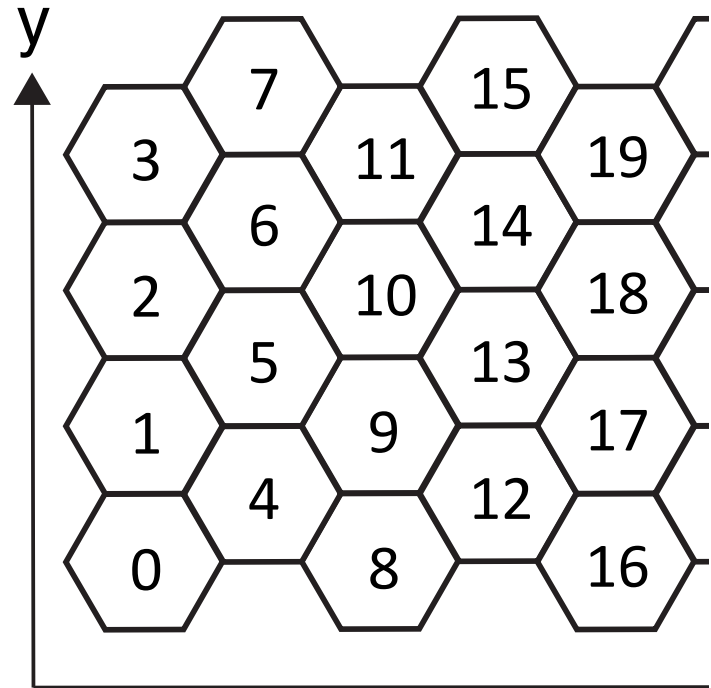
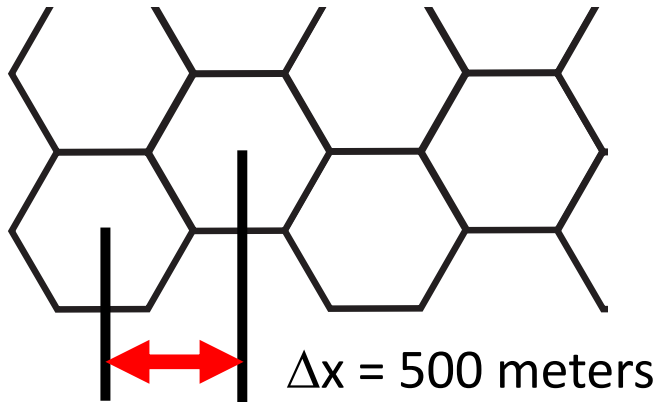
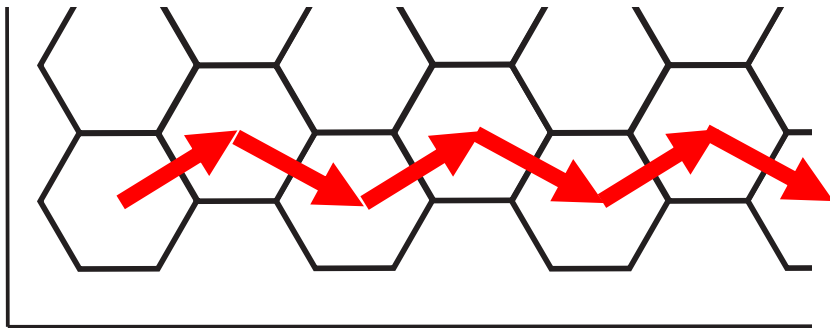
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Periodic in x and y



Mountain Wave Test Case

400 cells in x direction



cell order in mtn_wave_grid.nc

Note: the MPAS solver doesn't know about or make use of this structure

Mountain Wave Test Case

namelist.init_atmosphere

```
&nhyd_model
  config_start_time = '0000-01-01_00:00:00'
  config_init_case = 6
  config_theta_adv_order = 3
/

&dimensions
  config_nvertlevels = 70
/
```

In the initialization program
MPAS-Release-6.1/src/core_init_atmosphere/
mpas_init_atm_cases.F:

model top = 21000 meters
no stretching, dz = 300 meters

$h(x) = H * \exp[(x-x_c)/x_a] * \cos[\pi * (x-x_c)/x_b] ** 2$
H = 250 meters, N = 0.01/s, U = 10 m/s
Schar (MWR 2000), Klemp et al (MWR 2003) test case

streams.init_atmosphere

```
<streams>
<immutable_stream name="input"
  type="input"
  filename_template="mtn_wave_grid.nc"
  input_interval="initial_only" />

<immutable_stream name="output"
  type="output"
  filename_template="mtn_wave_init.nc"
  packages="initial_conds"
  output_interval="initial_only" />

<immutable_stream name="surface"
  type="output"
  filename_template="not_needed_for_mtn_wave"
  filename_interval="none"
  packages="sfc_update"
  output_interval="86400" />

</streams>
```

Mountain Wave Test Case

Run *init_atmosphere_model*
mtn_wave_init.nc will be created

Run *atmosphere_model*

output.nc will be created
output every 30 minutes
5 hour simulation
no restart file
no other output files

```
graph LR; A[Run init_atmosphere_model] --> B[mountain_wave/]; A --> C[mountain_wave/mtn_wave_w.ncl]; A --> D[mountain_wave/README]; A --> E[mountain_wave/namelist.init_atmosphere]; B --> F[mountain_wave/streams.init_atmosphere]; C --> G[mountain_wave/mtn_wave_grid.nc]; D --> H[mountain_wave/streams.atmosphere]; E --> I[mountain_wave/stream_list.atmosphere.output]; F --> J[mountain_wave/namelist.atmosphere]; G --> K[mtn_wave_init.nc];
```

- mountain_wave/
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- mtn_wave_init.nc*

Mountain Wave Test Case

mountain_wave/streams.atmosphere



streams.atmosphere is where the input and output files are set: names, I/O types, I/O intervals, etc.

```
<streams>

<immutable_stream name="input"
  type="input"
  filename_template="mtn_wave_init.nc"
  input_interval="initial_only"/>

<immutable_stream name="restart"
  type="input;output"
  filename_template="restart.$Y-$M-$D_$h.$m.$s.nc"
  input_interval="initial_only"
  output_interval="1_00:00:00"/>

<stream name="output"
  type="output"
  filename_template="output.nc"
  filename_interval="none"
  output_interval="00:30:00">

  <file name="stream_list.atmosphere.output"/>

</stream>

</streams>
```

Mountain Wave Test Case

mountain_wave/namelist.atmosphere 

namelist.atmosphere is where the integration parameters are set: start time, integration time, restart or init, physics, etc.

```
&nhyd_model
  config_dt = 6.0
  config_start_time = '0000-01-01_00:00:00'
  config_run_duration = '05:00:00'
  config_split_dynamics_transport = false
  config_number_of_sub_steps = 6
  config_dynamics_split_steps = 1
  config_h_mom_eddy_visc2 = 10.0
  config_h_mom_eddy_visc4 = 0.0
  config_v_mom_eddy_visc2 = 10.0
  config_h_theta_eddy_visc2 = 10.0
  config_h_theta_eddy_visc4 = 0.0
  config_v_theta_eddy_visc2 = 10.0
  config_horiz_mixing = '2d_fixed'
  config_len_disp = 577.35
  config_theta_adv_order = 3
  config_w_adv_order = 3
  config_u_vadv_order = 3
  config_w_vadv_order = 3
  config_theta_vadv_order = 3
  config_coef_3rd_order = 0.25
  config_scalar_advection = false
  config_epssm = 0.1
  config_smdiv = 0.1
  config_h_ScaleWithMesh = false
/
```

```
&damping
  config_zd = 10500.0
  config_xnuetr = 0.1
/

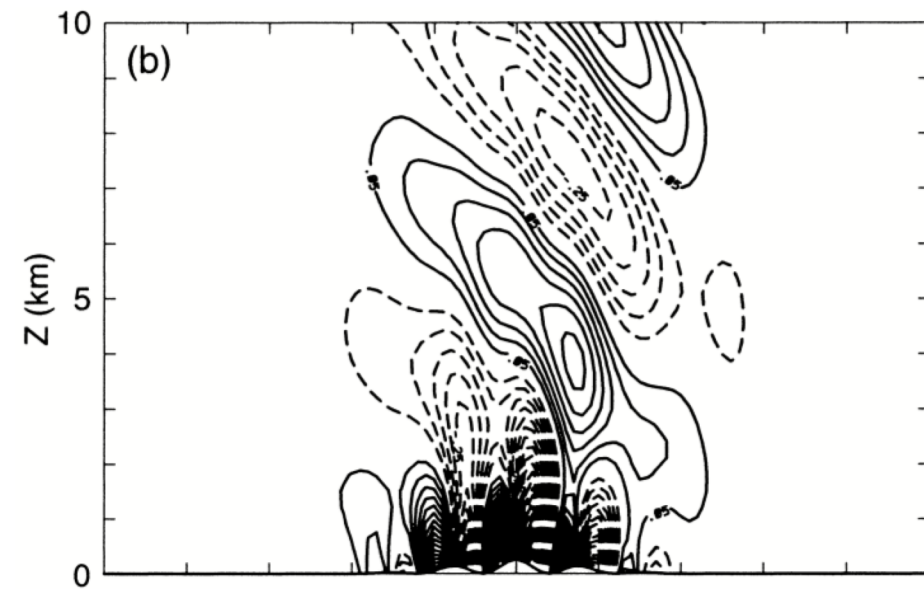
&restart
  config_do_restart = false
/

&printout
  config_print_global_minmax_vel = true
/

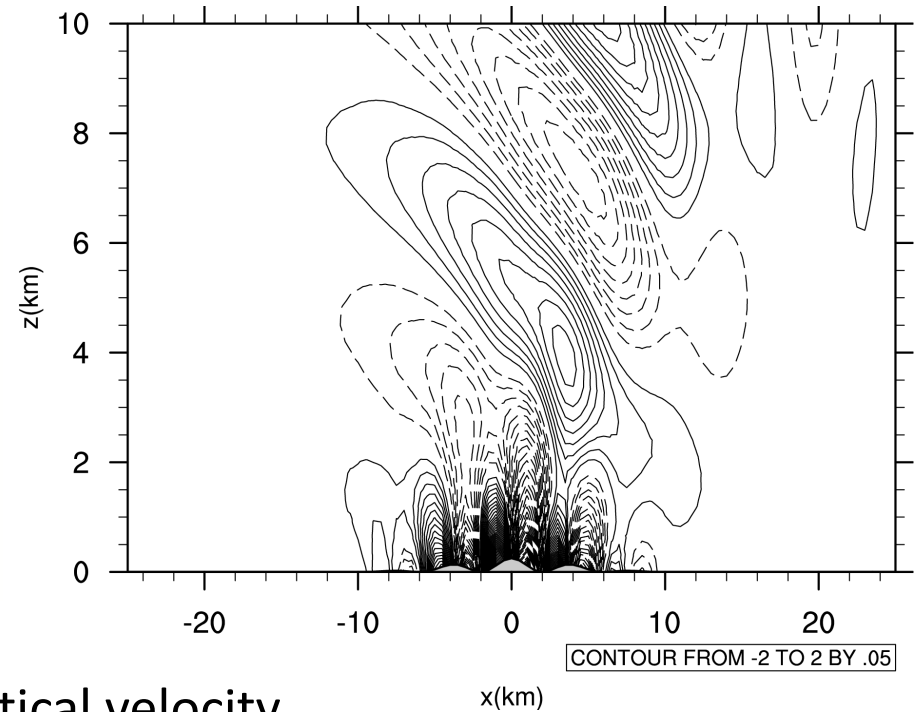
&physics
  config_sst_update = false
  config_sstdiurn_update = false
  config_deepsoiltemp_update = false
  config_radtlw_interval = '00:30:00'
  config_radtsw_interval = '00:30:00'
  config_bucket_update = 'none'
  config_physics_suite = 'none'
```

Mountain Wave Test Case

Analytic solution



MPAS at T = 5h



Vertical velocity

Supercell Test Case– 3D



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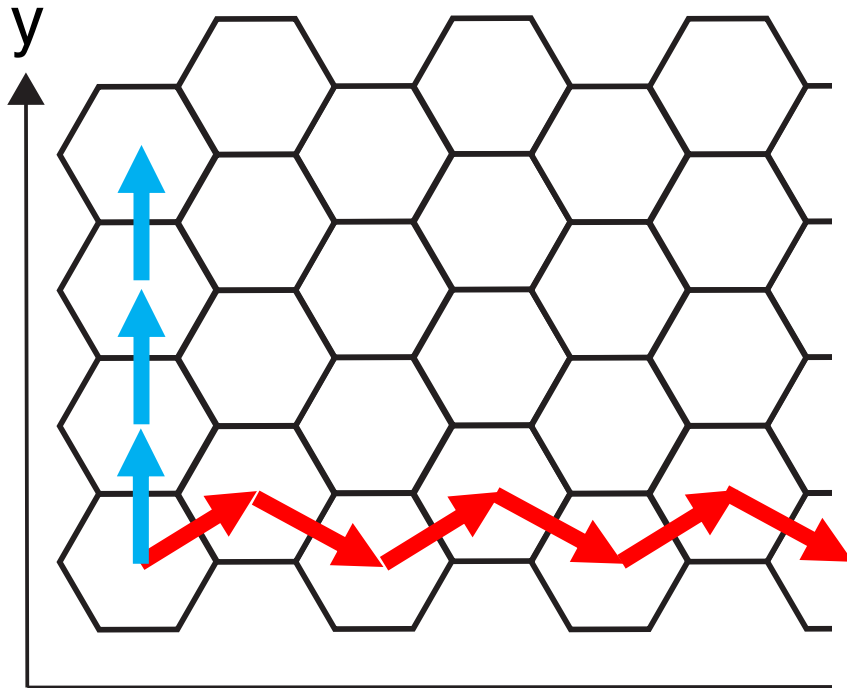
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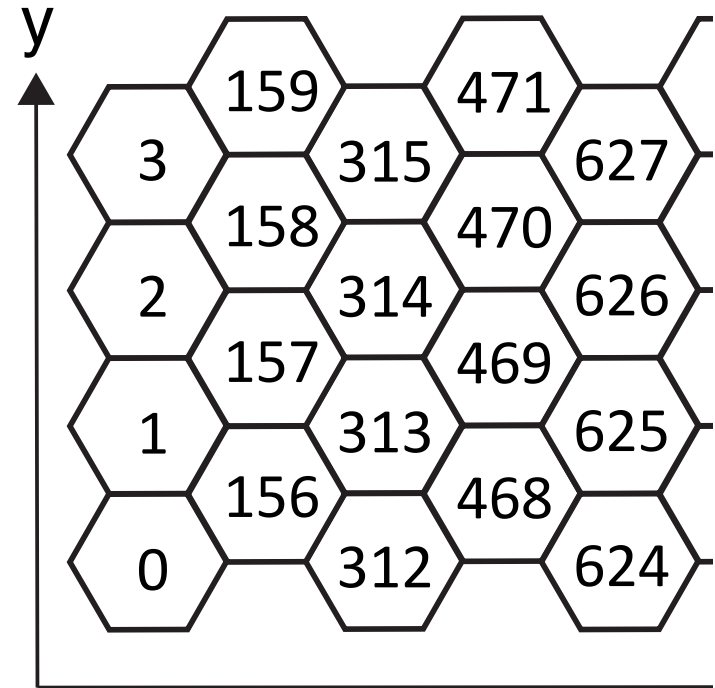
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supercell/supercell.graph.info.part.32

Supercell Test Case



156 cells in y direction
180 cells in x direction
approximately 84x84 km domain



cell order in supercell_grid.nc

Note: the MPAS solver doesn't know about or make use of this structure

Supercell Test Case

supercell/
namelist.atmosphere

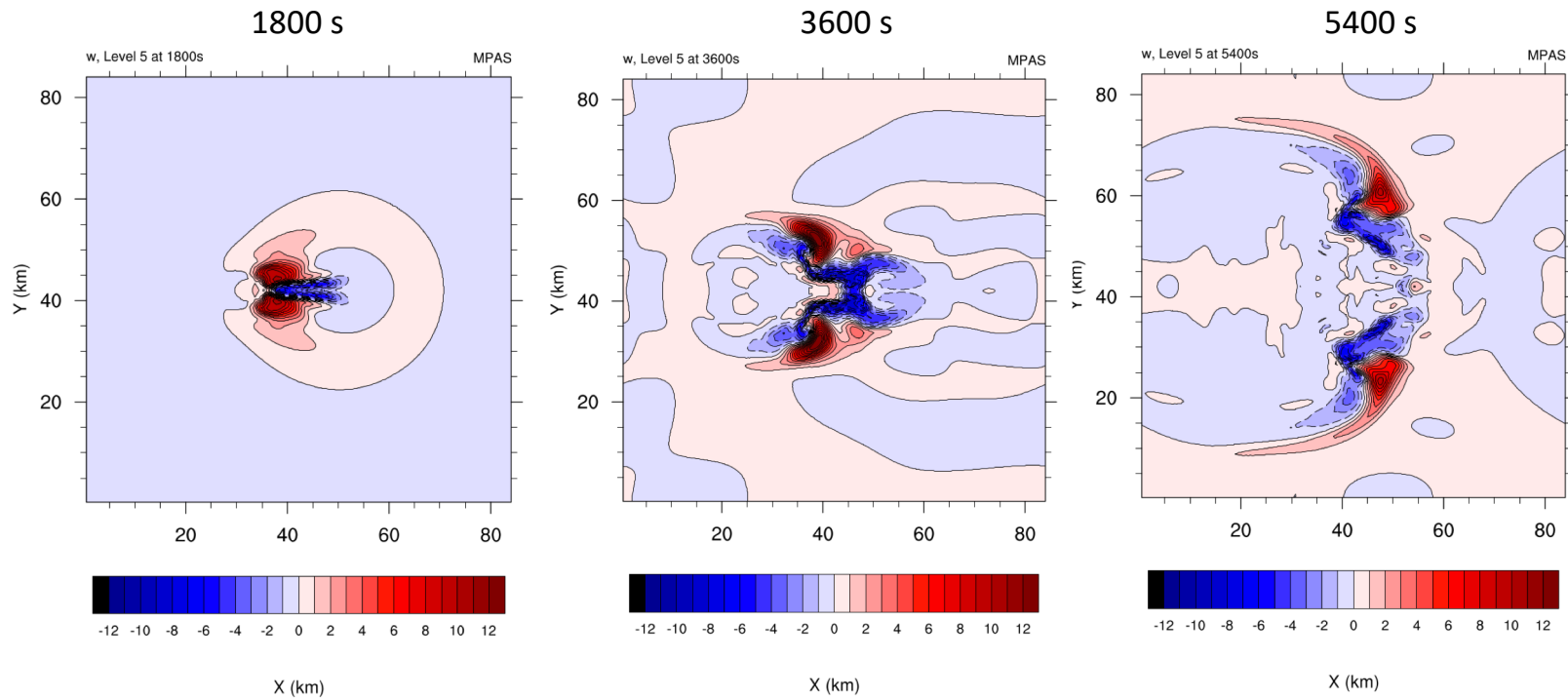


```
&nhyd_model
  config_dt = 3.0
  config_start_time = '0000-01-01_00:00:00'
  config_run_duration = '02:00:00'
  config_split_dynamics_transport = false
  config_number_of_sub_steps = 6
  config_dynamics_split_steps = 1
  config_h_mom_eddy_visc2 = 500.0
  config_h_mom_eddy_visc4 = 0.0
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  config_h_theta_eddy_visc4 = 0.0
  config_v_theta_eddy_visc2 = 500.0
  config_horiz_mixing = '2d_fixed'
  config_len_disp = 538.86
  config_theta_adv_order = 3
  config_w_adv_order = 3
  config_u_vadv_order = 3
  config_w_vadv_order = 3
  config_theta_vadv_order = 3
  config_coef_3rd_order = 0.25
  config_epssm = 0.1
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  config_mix_full = false
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/
```

```
&damping
  config_zd = 20000.0
  config_xnutr = 0.0
/
&io
/
&decomposition
  config_block_decomp_file_prefix = 'supercell.graph.info.part.'
/
&restart
  config_do_restart = false
/
&printout
  config_print_global_minmax_vel = true
  config_print_global_minmax_sca = true
/
&physics
  config_sst_update = false
  config_sstdiurn_update = false
  config_deepsoiltemp_update = false
  config_radtlw_interval = '00:30:00'
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  config_bucket_update = 'none'
  config_physics_suite = 'none'
  config_microp_scheme = 'mp_kessler'
/
```

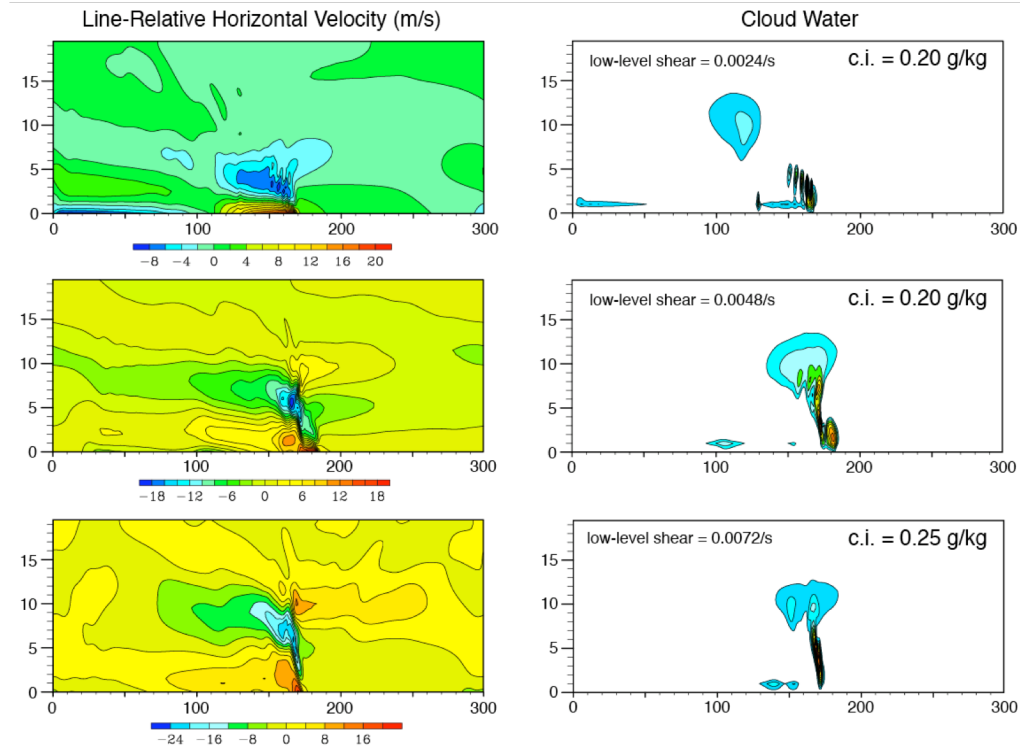
Supercell Test Case

Vertical velocity (w , m/s) at 2 km



Squall-Line Tests

Low-level shear (0-2.5 km), Weisman-Klemp sounding
Warm-bubble perturbation, results at 3 hours



(from Max Menchaca)

Jablonski and Williamson baroclinic wave test case



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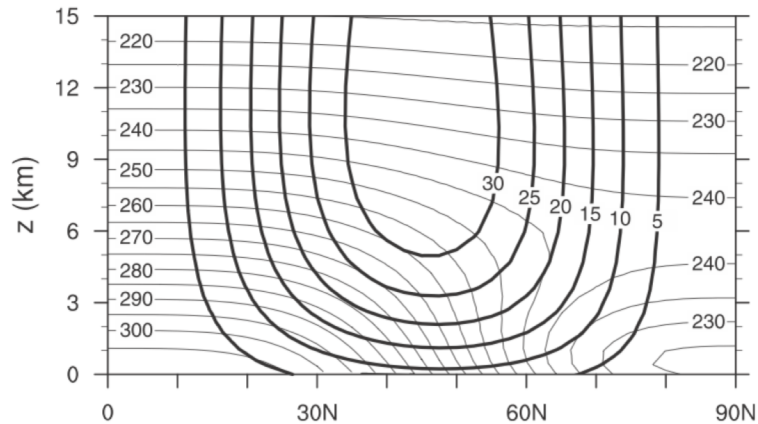
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120 km (~ 1 deg) global mesh

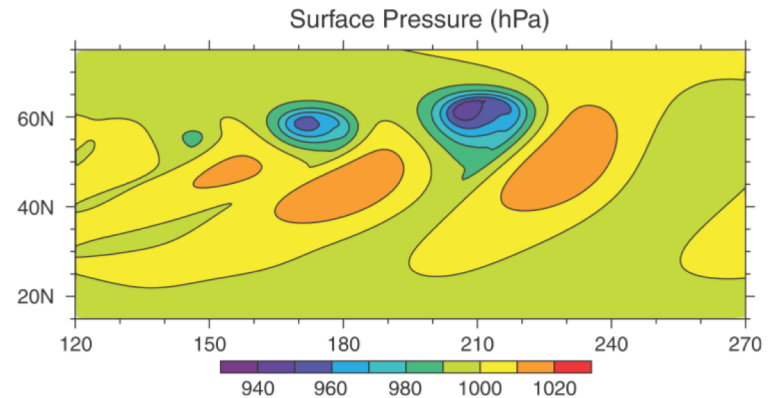
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Jablonowski and Williamson baroclinic wave test case



Initial jet (U, m/s; theta, K)



Surface pressure at day 9