



# An update on model development

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## Start

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- Outline:

1. New operators on the icosahedral grid

2. New curl\_curl model on the icosahedral grid

## Masuda and Ohnishi shallow water equations

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- Three operators: **Jacobian, divergence and Laplacian**
- Masuda, Y., and H. Ohnishi, 1986: An integration scheme of the primitive equation model with an icosahedral-hexagonal grid system and its application to the shallow-water equations. Short- and Medium-Range Numerical Weather Prediction. Japan Meteorological Society, Tokyo, 317-326.

- Prognostic

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} - J(\eta, \psi) + \nabla \cdot (\eta \nabla \chi) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} - J(\eta, \chi) - \nabla \cdot (\eta \nabla \psi) + \nabla^2 (K + \phi) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} - J(\phi, \psi) + \nabla \cdot (\phi \nabla \chi) = 0$$

- Diagnostic

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \eta - f \quad \nabla^2 \chi = D$$

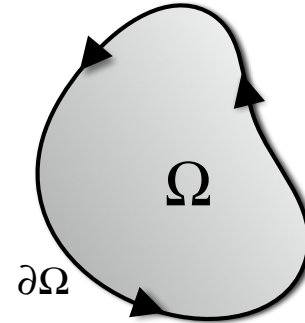
# A finite-difference Flux-Divergence operator

- Divergence theorem

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} d\Omega = \oint_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$$

- Define

$$\mathbf{F} \equiv \alpha \nabla \beta$$

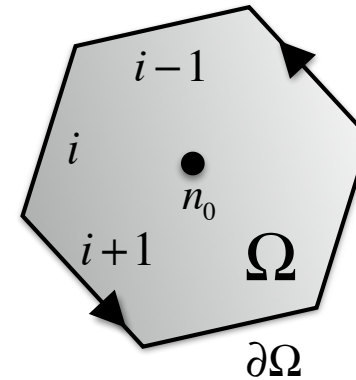


- Considering a **hexagonal cell** with cell center  $n_0$ .

With the following observations:

$$1. \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\alpha \nabla \beta) d\Omega = [\nabla \cdot (\alpha \nabla \beta)]_0 A_0$$

$$2. \oint_{\partial\Omega} \alpha \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial n} dS = \sum_i \left[ \oint_{\partial\Omega_i} \alpha \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial n} dS \right]_i$$



- The a template for a **flux-divergence (or Laplacian)** operator is given by

$$[\nabla \cdot (\alpha \nabla \beta)]_0 = \frac{1}{A_0} \sum_i \left[ \oint_{\partial\Omega_i} \alpha \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial n} dS \right]_i$$

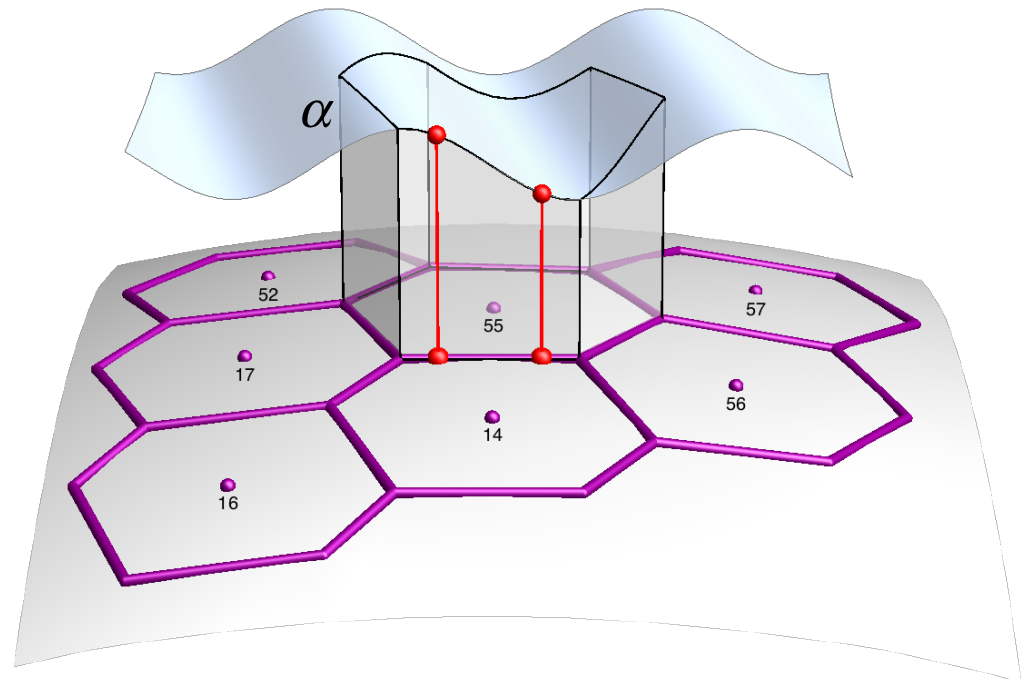
# Gaussian quadrature

- We can use Gaussian quadrature to approximate the line integral along each edge of a cell.
- Approximate the definite integral of a function as a weighted sum of function values at specified points:

$$\int_{-1}^1 \alpha(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \alpha(x_i)$$

- For example:

Number of points ( $q_m$ )	Points ( $x_q$ )	Weights ( $w_q$ )
1	0	2
2	$-\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}, \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$	1, 1
3	$-\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}, 0, \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$	$\frac{5}{9}, \frac{8}{9}, \frac{5}{9}$



## Radial Basis Function (RBF)

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**We will use radial basis functions to approximate functions and derivatives of functions at Gauss points using information from nearby grid points.**

Suppose we wish to construct a function  $s$  to interpolate data values  $f_i$  at scattered distinct grid points  $\mathbf{x}_i$  where  $i=1,2,\dots,n$ .

Then RBF interpolating function looks like this:

$$s(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \phi(\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|)$$

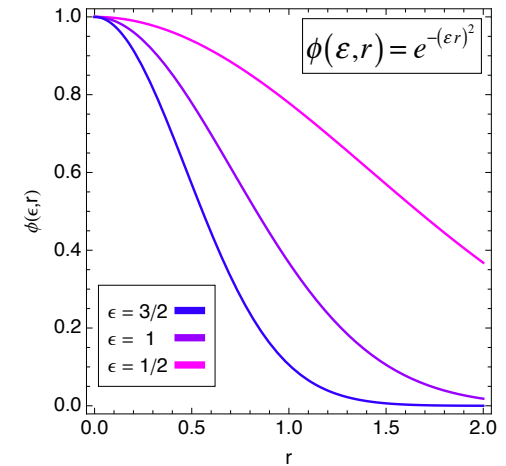
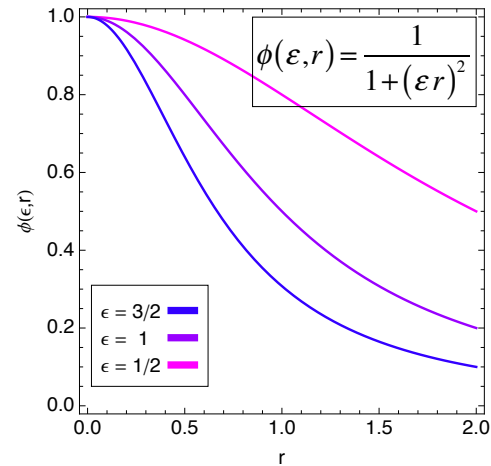
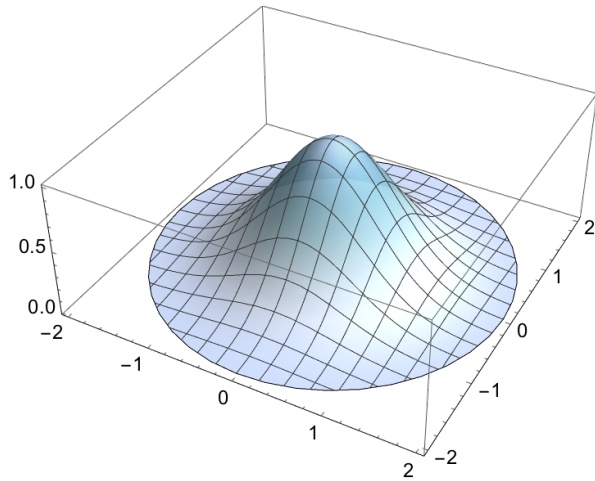
where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the Euclidean norm. If we enforce the condition  $s(\mathbf{x}_i) = f_i$  for  $i=1,2,\dots,n$  then the expansion coefficients  $\lambda_i$  are determined by the linear system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phi(\varepsilon, r_{1,1}) & \phi(\varepsilon, r_{1,2}) & \cdots & \phi(\varepsilon, r_{1,n}) \\ \phi(\varepsilon, r_{2,1}) & \phi(\varepsilon, r_{2,2}) & \cdots & \phi(\varepsilon, r_{2,n}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi(\varepsilon, r_{n,1}) & \phi(\varepsilon, r_{n,2}) & \cdots & \phi(\varepsilon, r_{n,n}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_n \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $r_{i,j} = \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|$  is the distance between the  $\mathbf{x}_i$  and  $\mathbf{x}_j$  grid points

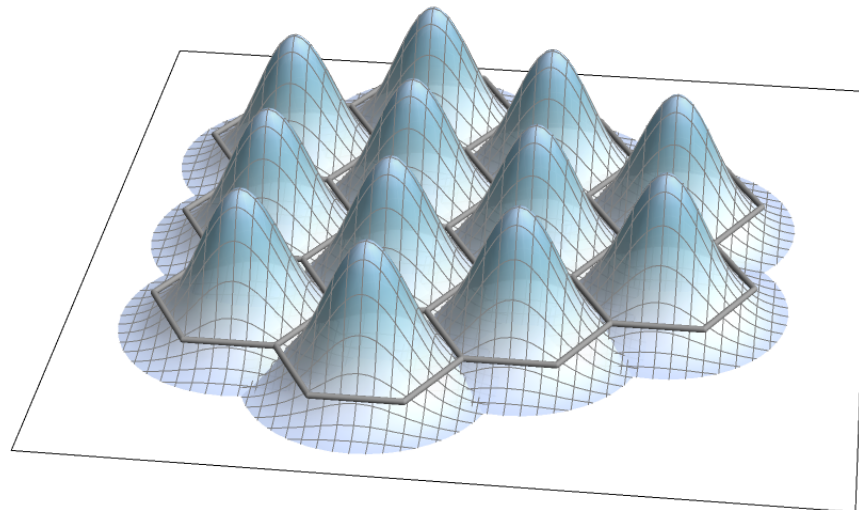
# Radial Basis Function (RBF)

A radial basis function (RBF) is a real-valued function whose value depends only on the distance from a center point.



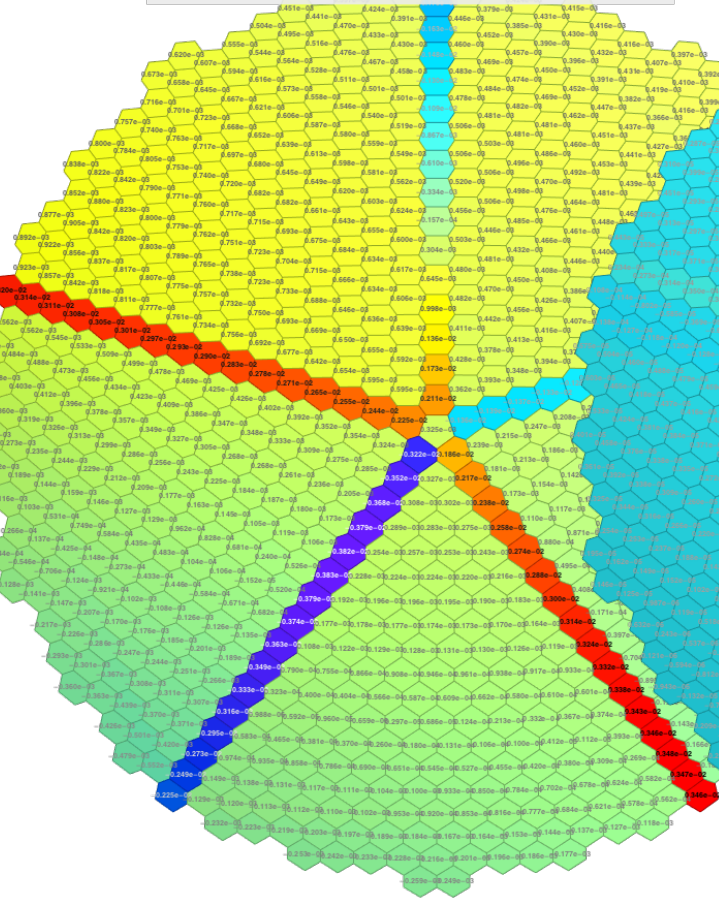
The function  $s$  is a super-position of basis functions each defined at surrounding grid points

$$s(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \phi(\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|)$$



# New Operators. Laplacian. Difference plots.

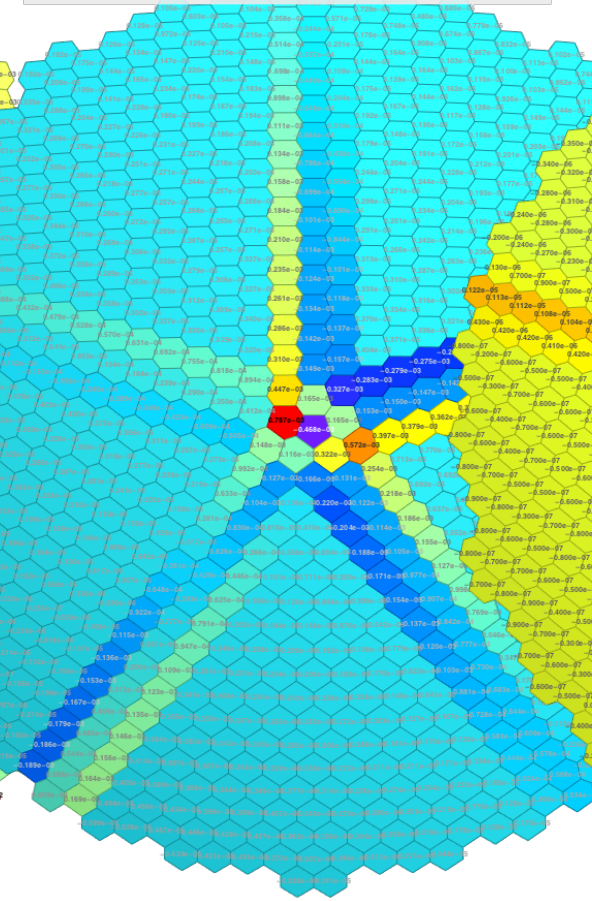
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**Masuda**

**max error = 0.382E-02**  
**rms error = 0.876E-03**

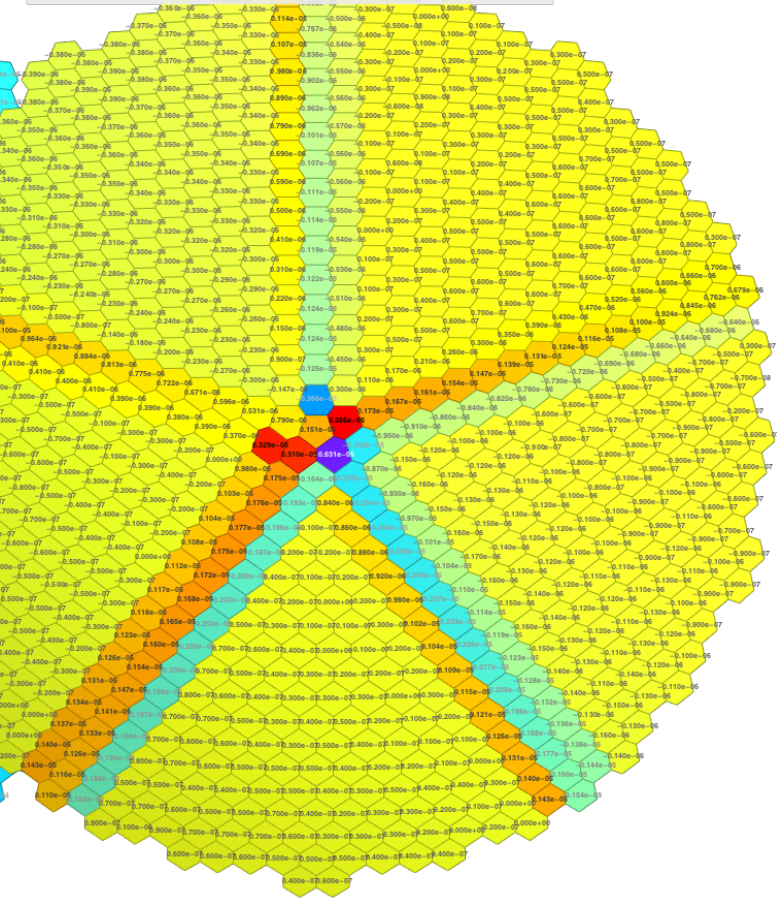
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**Least squares fit**

**max error = 0.787E-03**  
**rms error = 0.839E-04**

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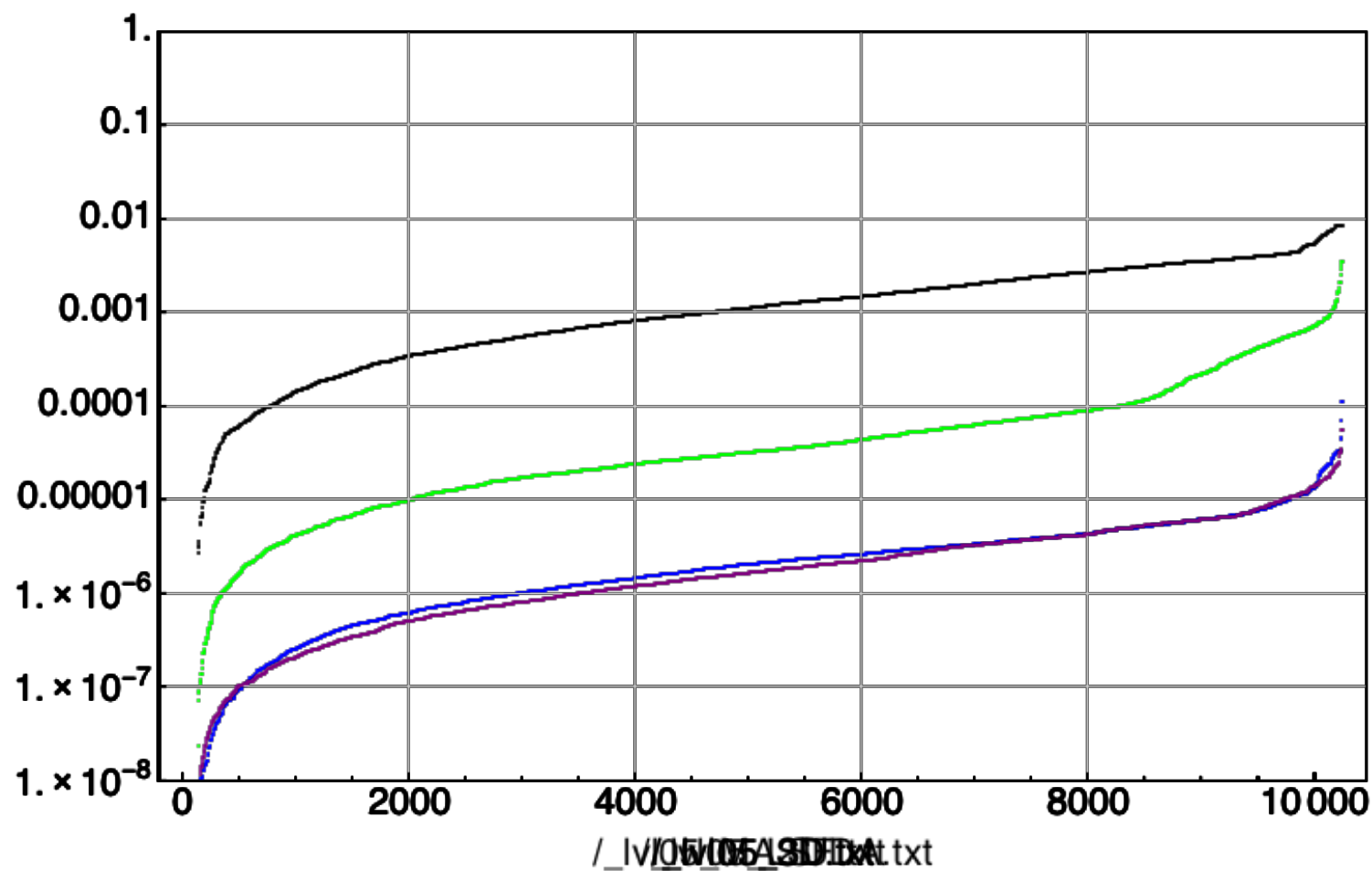
**RBF 3D**

**max error = 0.631E-05**  
**rms error = 0.710E-06**



# New Operators. Laplacian

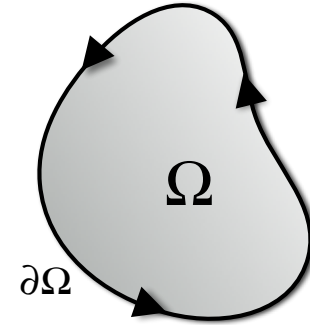
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# A finite-difference curl operator

- Stokes (Kelvin-Stokes) theorem: The integral of the curl of a vector field over some area equals the line integral of the vector field around the boundary of the area.

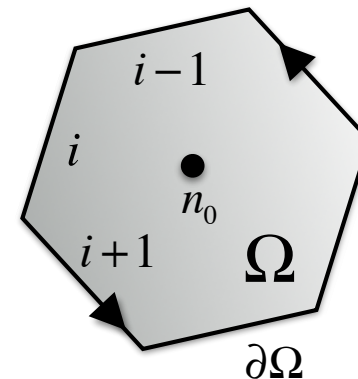
$$\int_{\Omega} [\mathbf{k} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})] d\Omega = \oint_{\partial\Omega} (\mathbf{F} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}) dS$$



- Considering a cell and with the following approximations:

- $$\int_{\Omega} [\mathbf{k} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})] d\Omega = [\mathbf{k} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})]_0 A_0$$

- $$\oint_{\partial\Omega} (\mathbf{F} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}) dS = \sum_i (F_{\tau})_i l_i$$



- The finite-difference **curl** operator is given by

$$[\mathbf{k} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})]_0 A_0 \approx \sum_i (F_{\tau})_i l_i$$

## Curl Curl on the icosahedral grid. Equations 1.

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The three-dimensional momentum equations are given by:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{\omega}_a \times \mathbf{V} + \frac{1}{2} \nabla (\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{V}) = -\alpha \nabla p + \mathbf{F}$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}_a = \boldsymbol{\eta}_a + \zeta_a \mathbf{k} = (\boldsymbol{\eta} + 2\boldsymbol{\Omega}_H) + (\zeta + 2\Omega_z) \mathbf{k}$$

Take the curl:

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\omega}_a}{\partial t} + \nabla \times (\boldsymbol{\omega}_a \times \mathbf{V}) = \nabla p \times \nabla \alpha - \nabla \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\eta}_a}{\partial t} + \nabla_H \times (\boldsymbol{\eta}_a \times \mathbf{v}) - \mathbf{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [\zeta_a \mathbf{v} - w \boldsymbol{\eta}_a] = \left( \nabla_H p \times \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} \mathbf{k} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \mathbf{k} \times \nabla_H \alpha \right) - (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})_H$$

$$\frac{\partial \zeta_a}{\partial t} + \nabla_H \cdot [\zeta_a \mathbf{v} - w \boldsymbol{\eta}_a] = \mathbf{k} \cdot [(\nabla_H p \times \nabla_H \alpha) - (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})]$$

## Curl Curl on the icosahedral grid. Equations 2.

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Horizontal vorticity equation:

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\eta}_a}{\partial t} + \nabla_H \times (\boldsymbol{\eta}_a \times \mathbf{v}) - \mathbf{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \times [\zeta_a \mathbf{v} - w \boldsymbol{\eta}_a] = \left( \nabla_H p \times \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} \mathbf{k} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \mathbf{k} \times \nabla_H \alpha \right) - (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})_H$$

Define:

$$\Gamma_a \equiv \mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla_H \times \boldsymbol{\eta}_a$$

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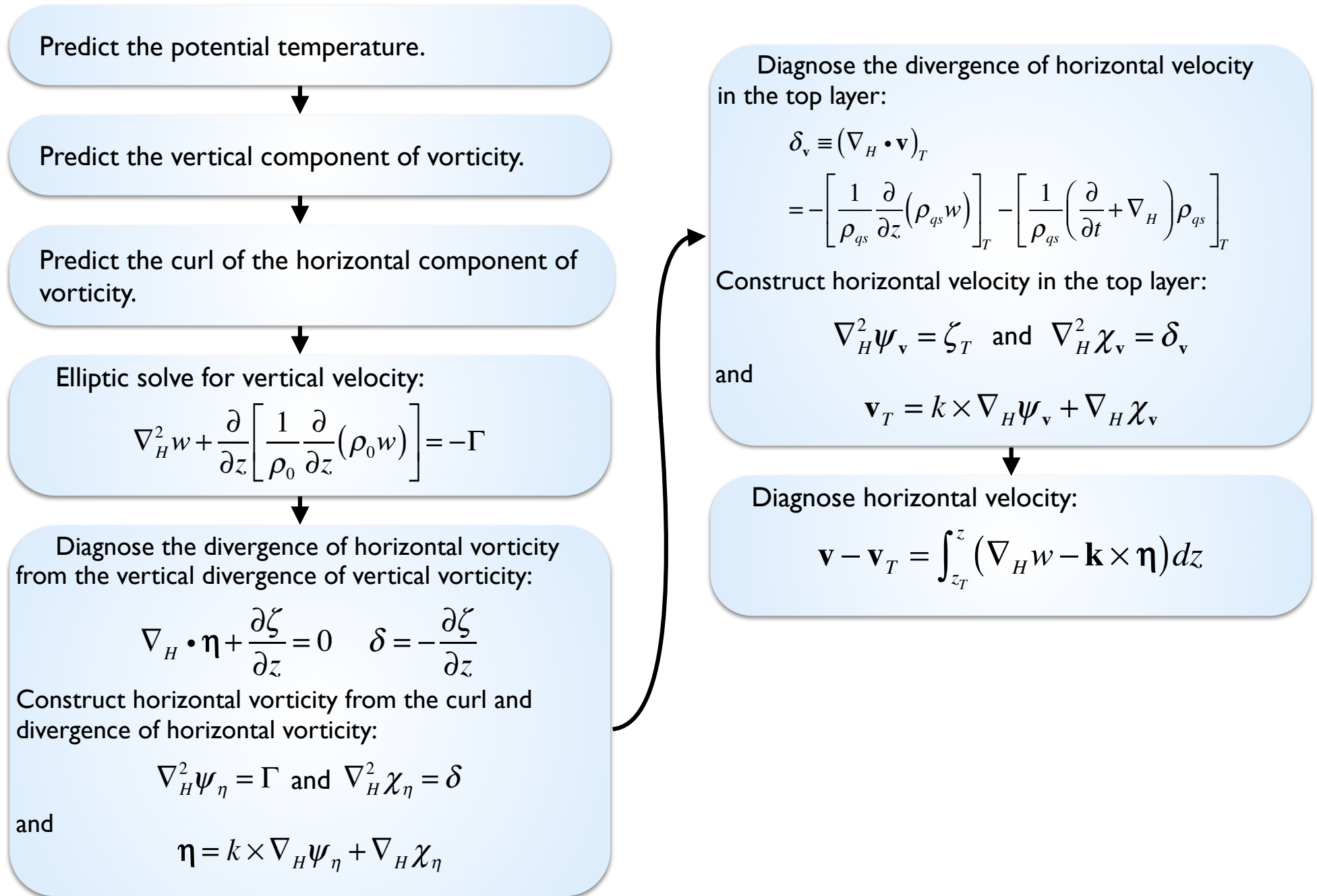
$$d\mathbf{k} \equiv \boldsymbol{\eta}_a \times \mathbf{v}$$

$$\mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla_H \times [\nabla_H \times (\boldsymbol{\eta}_a \times \mathbf{v})] = -\nabla_H^2 d$$

Gamma equation:

$$\frac{\partial \Gamma_a}{\partial t} - \nabla_H^2 d - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [\mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla_H \times (\zeta_a \mathbf{v} - w \boldsymbol{\eta}_a)] = \nabla_H \cdot \left( -\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} \nabla_H p + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \nabla_H \alpha \right) - \mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla_H \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})_H$$

# Curl Curl on the icosahedral grid. Time step flow chart.



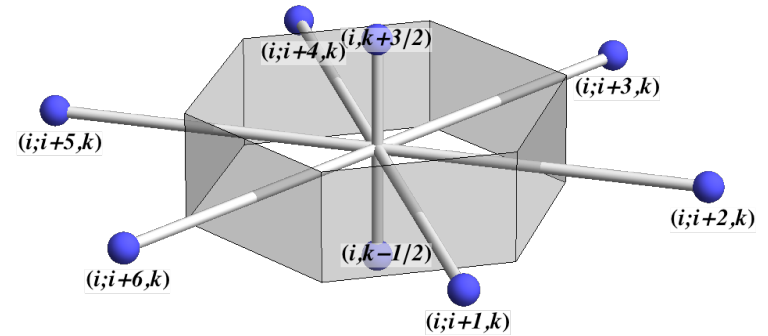
# 3D elliptic solver

The continuous equation:

$$\nabla^2 w + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[ \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\rho w) \right] = -\Gamma$$

The discrete equations:

$$\frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{w_{i+i',3/2}^{(\kappa)} - w_{i,3/2}^{(\kappa+1)}}{L_{i;i+i'}} l_{i;i+i'} + \frac{1}{\delta z_{3/2}} \left[ \frac{1}{\rho_2 \delta z_2} (\rho_{5/2} w_{i,5/2}^{(\kappa+1)} - \rho_{3/2} w_{i,3/2}^{(\kappa+1)}) \right] = -\Gamma_{i,3/2}$$



$$\frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{w_{i+i',k+1/2}^{(\kappa)} - w_{i,k+1/2}^{(\kappa+1)}}{L_{i;i+i'}} l_{i;i+i'} + \frac{1}{\delta z_{k+1/2}} \left[ \frac{1}{\rho_{k+1} \delta z_{k+1}} (\rho_{k+3/2} w_{i,k+3/2}^{(\kappa+1)} - \rho_{k+1/2} w_{i,k+1/2}^{(\kappa+1)}) - \frac{1}{\rho_k \delta z_k} (\rho_{k+1/2} w_{i,k+1/2}^{(\kappa+1)} - \rho_{k-1/2} w_{i,k-1/2}^{(\kappa+1)}) \right] = -\Gamma_{i,k+1/2}$$

$$\frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{w_{i+i',km-1/2}^{(\kappa)} - w_{i,km-1/2}^{(\kappa+1)}}{L_{i;i+i'}} l_{i;i+i'} - \frac{1}{\delta z_{km-1/2}} \left[ \frac{1}{\rho_{km-1} \delta z_{km-1}} (\rho_{km-1/2} w_{i,km-1/2}^{(\kappa+1)} - \rho_{km-3/2} w_{i,km-3/2}^{(\kappa+1)}) \right] = -\Gamma_{i,km-1/2}$$

where  $(\kappa)$  denotes an iteration index.

## 3D elliptic solver

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**This problem is highly anisotropic so we use line relaxation in the vertical direction and standard point wise relaxation in the horizontal**

Re-arrange terms to form an implicit tridiagonal system in the vertical:

$$-\left[ \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{l_{i;i+i'}}{L_{i;i+i'}} + \frac{\rho_{3/2}}{\delta z_{3/2}} \left( \frac{1}{\rho_2 \delta z_2} \right) \right] w_{i,3/2}^{(\kappa+1)} + \frac{\rho_{5/2}}{\delta z_{3/2} \rho_2 \delta z_2} w_{i,5/2}^{(\kappa+1)} = -\Gamma_{i,3/2} - \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{l_{i;i+i'}}{L_{i;i+i'}} w_{i+i',3/2}^{(\kappa)}$$

$$\frac{\rho_{k-1/2}}{\delta z_{k+1/2} \rho_k \delta z_k} w_{i,k-1/2}^{(\kappa+1)} - \left[ \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{l_{i;i+i'}}{L_{i;i+i'}} + \frac{\rho_{k+1/2}}{\delta z_{k+1/2}} \left( \frac{1}{\rho_k \delta z_k} + \frac{1}{\rho_{k+1} \delta z_{k+1}} \right) \right] w_{i,k+1/2}^{(\kappa+1)} + \frac{\rho_{k+3/2}}{\delta z_{k+1/2} \rho_{k+1} \delta z_{k+1}} w_{i,k+3/2}^{(\kappa+1)} = -\Gamma_{i,k+1/2} - \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{l_{i;i+i'}}{L_{i;i+i'}} w_{i+i',k+1/2}^{(\kappa)}$$

$$\frac{\rho_{km-3/2}}{\delta z_{km-1/2} \rho_{km-1} \delta z_{km-1}} w_{i,km-3/2}^{(\kappa+1)} - \left[ \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{l_{i;i+i'}}{L_{i;i+i'}} + \frac{\rho_{km-1/2}}{\delta z_{km-1/2}} \left( \frac{1}{\rho_{km-1} \delta z_{km-1}} \right) \right] w_{i,km-1/2}^{(\kappa+1)} = -\Gamma_{i,km-1/2} - \frac{1}{A_i} \sum_{i'} \frac{l_{i;i+i'}}{L_{i;i+i'}} w_{i+i',km-1/2}^{(\kappa)}$$

# Anelastic test case. Rising warm bubble.

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- The earth is smaller

$$a = 6366 \text{ m}$$

- The model top is

$$z_{top} = 12000 \text{ m}$$

- With 40962 cells and 80 layers, the typical cell is about 100×150 m
- The earth is not rotating
- The potential temperature is given by

$$\theta = \theta_{00} + \theta'$$

where

$$\theta_{00} = 300 \text{ K}$$

and

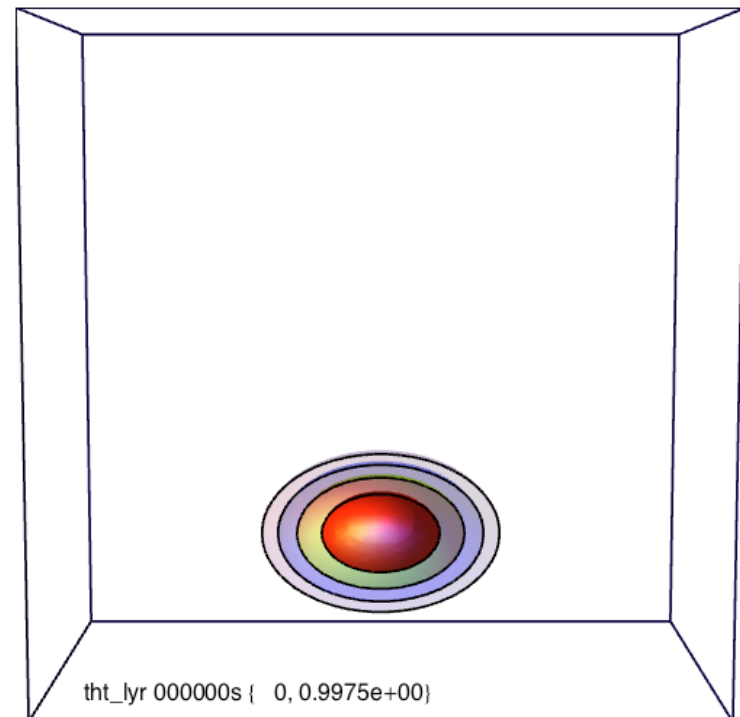
$$\theta' = \theta_0 \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{r}{r_0} \right)^6 \right]$$

where  $\theta_0 = 6.6 \text{ K}$ ,  $r_0 = 2500 \text{ m}$

- The initial gamma and vorticity is given by

$$\Gamma \equiv 0 \text{ and } \zeta \equiv 0$$

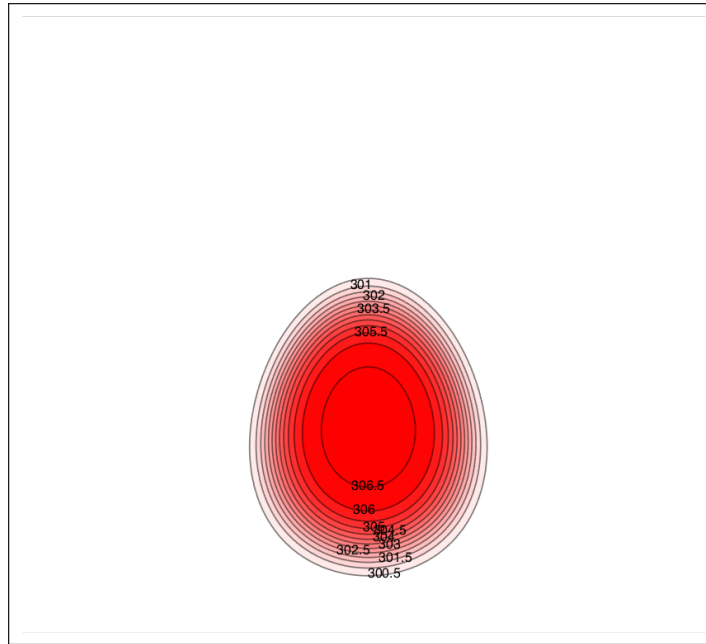
- Bubble centered on the equator



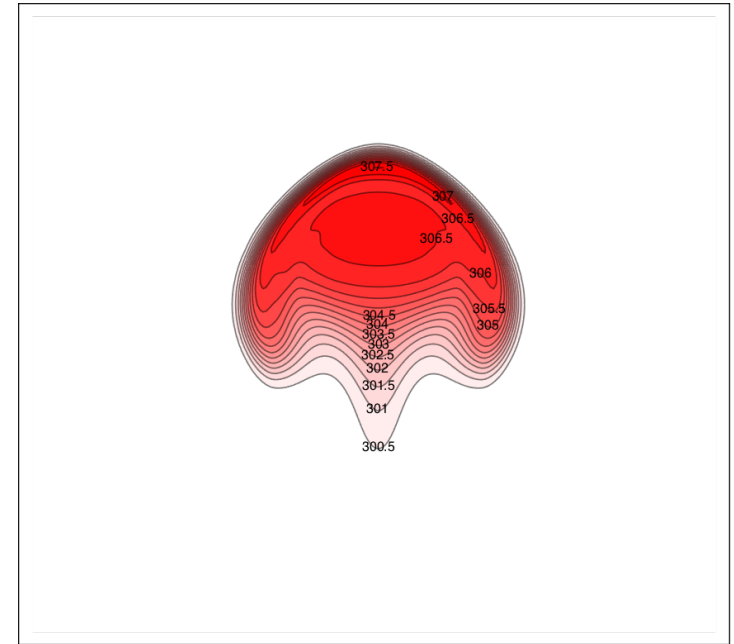


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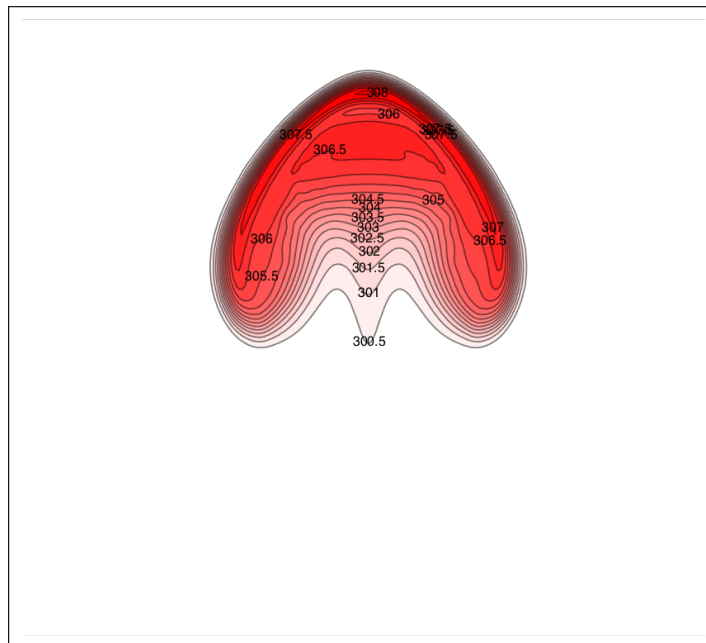
- Cross sections of potential temperature
- 0s, 240s, 300s and 360s



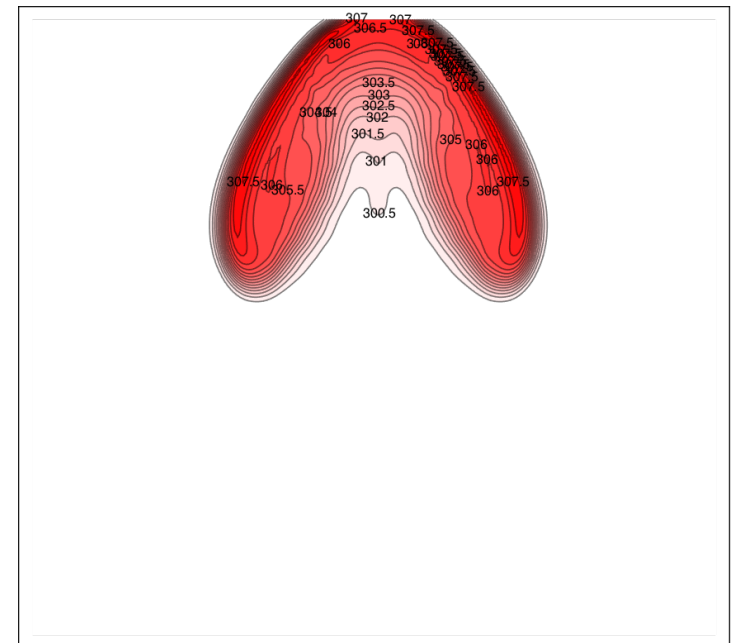
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