Dynamics & Coupling

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Decreased κ needs to be compensated by increased horizontal and vertical diffusion



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ALADIN/CE, parallel suite (06/05/2009-08/06/2009)



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- The aim is to define the resolution where it is worth to activate the NH dynamics.



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non-hydrostatic

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 $\Delta x = 10 \,\mathrm{m}, t = 0 \,\mathrm{s}$



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Parallel suite ALADIN/CE, Δx =9 km, L43

- Identify eventual problems of NH dyn.
- Learn about the systematic extra value of the NH (for that scales)
- DA and LBC field are the same (hydrostatic)
- Comparable model settings (geometry, physics, timestep organization,...)
- Dynamics as close as possible to the hydrostatic reference
 - Horizontal diffusion, LBC coupling (two extra variables)
 - **SI** background (T^*, π^*)
 - vertical discretization



Impact of the SI background



2D model, time evolution of KE



Vertical discretization

	HYD	NH
NDLNPR=0	yes	-
NDLNPR=1	yes	yes
VFE	yes	not yet

NDLNPR = 0:
$$\delta_l = \frac{\delta \pi_l}{\pi_l} = \delta \ln \pi_l = \ln \left(\frac{\pi_{\tilde{l}}}{\pi_{\tilde{l}-1}} \right)$$

NDLNPR = 1: $\delta_l = \frac{\delta \pi_l}{\pi_l} = \frac{\pi_{\tilde{l}} - \pi_{\tilde{l}-1}}{\sqrt{\pi_{\tilde{l}} \pi_{\tilde{l}-1}}}$



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 \Rightarrow Higher sophistication of vertical discretization has potential to improve result, especially when provided by sufficient vertical resolution.

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ICI versus SI scheme (III.) Surface parameters (NSITER=1 vs. NSITER=0)



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- GP-w option (LGVADW)
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To be repeated with Δx =4.5km, L87



Pressure gradient term

PG scheme of Simmons & Jiabin (1990) The present form:

$$\nabla \Phi + RT\nabla(\ln p)$$

is replaced by:

$$\nabla \tilde{\Phi} + R_d \tilde{T} \nabla (\ln p)$$

with
$$\tilde{T} = T_v - T_0 \left(p/p_0 \right)^{\alpha}$$

 $\tilde{\Phi} = \Phi_s + \frac{R_d T_0}{\alpha} \left(p/p_0 \right)^{\alpha} + \int_p^{p_s} \frac{R_d \tilde{T}}{p} dp$



Pressure gradient term

First preliminary results ($\Delta x=9$ km)



PG scheme - ref scheme



Pressure gradient computation

Tests in 2D (HYD)



Still too easy for the pressure gradient term...



- Rotated Mercator projection (including TL/AD)
- More OpenMP for LAM (enabled MPI-OpenMP, intelligent scheduling,...)
- Optimization of SL interpolations
- Separation of SL quantities to be interpolated (DDH & 3D turb)
- Fully elastic projection of heat
- Boyd's technique for bi-periodicity of LAM

