

Particle-in-CelL for Efficient Swell *PiCLES* Towards coupling with Earth System Models

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How do we model air-sea interaction in higher-resolution models?

We need to provide non-local, i.e. *not-equilibrated* Waves in Earth System Model

Grid box of an earth system model



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Why do we need waves in ESM today?

- Waves in the MIZ
- Stokes, Langmuir, and MLD
- White capping, sea spray, and gas fluxes
- Wave-current interaction (< 20 km)

A framework for coupled boundary layers

Explicit, and efficient modeling of surface waves

- better use remote-sensing data
- enable ML-based parametrization \bullet
- better represent processes at the \bullet interface





Why can we not use a fully spectral wave model? Directional wave spectra at Ocean Station Papa



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Typical wave observations

- Wind sea & 1-3 Swell fields
- Each of these wave partition have a direction, peak frequency, and energy
- The total wave spectrum can be approximated by 9 variables

Spectral wave model (WW3)

- discretize the wave action in frequency and direction
- needs about 600 variables to describe nearly the same information

Wave action equation

$$egin{aligned} &rac{\partial}{\partial t}N+
abla\cdot\left(c_{g}N
ight)=S_{in}+S_{ds}+S \ &N(x,\ y,\ t,\ k,\ l) \end{aligned}$$





Spectral models are too expensive for global high-resolution integrations

Spectral Models in ESMs

- Large state vector (~600)
- coupling has likely large overhead
- S_{nl} is expensive
- WaveWatch III resolution in CESM is currently reduced to 3°



It would be good to understanding the bottlenecks of WW3 in CESM a little better!



2nd generation+ wave model PiCLES

• Solves the wave field along Lagrangien trajectories (particles) that are re-meshed periodically

• Each particle is a representative sample for wave energy & momentum of wave system

Main Objective:

Trade accuracy for speed and convenience!

- Find alternative to reduce the high-dimensionality to improve efficiency
- Describe sufficiently accurate surface statistics for air-sea interaction in Earth System Models.

Key requirements

- Minimize particle interaction
- Designed to be parallel on GPUs
- Written in julia
- Focus on open-ocean waves





Equations to solve along a trajectory

Conservation of wave action:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}N + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\dot{x}_j N) + \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j}(\dot{k}_j N) = \frac{\mathcal{S}^E}{\sigma},$$

- neglecting currents
- integrating in (2D) wavenumber space
- forming equations for the total energy and momentum (Kudryavtsev et al. 2021) Then we can write down the **particle equations**:



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Wave-wave interaction along the trajectory is parametrized
Wave-wave interaction normal to the particle trajectory are often small and modeled in the re-meshing step

Parametrized change in direction



Advance and re-mesh Lagrangian wave growth + Particle-in-Cell = PiCLES



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Accuracy: Comparing to WW3

The general model structure works well, but

- dispersion and diffusion not yet implemented
- amplitudes are not tuning yet. We will use Ensemble Kalman Sampling



Time

Winds blowing off shore (left to right) PICLES WW3





Difference







x [km]

0 +

0

50

100

x [km]

150

200

0+

0

150

200

100

x [km]









DT=1800.0 , dx=333.0, CFL= NaN, time=45 minutes a Name

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Example Time-varying wind sea



Propagating swell How? We take the model x 4!



Each node has multiple particles Wind sea: 1 x 5 energy, cg_x, cg_y, x, y Swell I: 1 x 5 energy, cg_x, cg_y, x, y, + age or travel time Swell II: 1 x 5 energy, cg_x, cg_y, x, y, + age or travel time Swell III: 1 x 5 energy, cg_x, cg_y, x, y, + age or travel time





Strong Scaling Test Sub-optimal PiCLES might be sufficient



Strong scaling for $\approx 0.7^{\circ}$ ($N = 512^2$) on 1 derecho Node

PiCLES

- Currently only multithreading
- about 10x faster, ullet
- 3-4x more allocating, but less throughput ullet

WW3

- openMPI
- Scales, and allocated well for the size of the state vector.
- about 120x more variables.







Weak Scaling Tests - Out-running WW3

A semi-interactive wave model is **substantially more efficient** for future Earth System Models

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PiCLES:

- small state vector (about 5 20, depending on complexity)
- runs on the ocean grid and time step (no strict CFL condition)
- can be well optimized for GPUs
- for CMIP6-class models, we expect it at least run about an order of magnitude faster then WW3



- *current* PiCLES is $\mathcal{O}(10)$ faster then WW3 without overhead and coupling
- PiCLES is about $\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ faster then WW3 with overhead and coupling
- Once allocation is optimized, we expect PiCLES to scale better than N log(N)
- 🛧 We can already run wind-sea simulation on 10km resolution on 1 Node

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Implementation into CESM

Fortran/C coupler for Julia

- Thanks to Bill Sacks and Gerhard Theurich we have a minimal working example for Fortran -> C -> Julia
- We work on getting internal funding (NCAR) to develop a Julia (PiCLES) <-> fortran (NuOPC-CAP)

Cap & Coupling with CESM

- Unify implementation of wave-model in CESM
- see Paul Hall presentation and wave-cap discussion later in this session

Steps towards a stand-alone wave model

Challenges

- 1) Determine time stepping limits
- 2) Tuning/benchmarking
- 3) Emulating dispersion, diffusion, and refraction
- 4) Multi-layer & Merging rules
- 5) Optimize allocations

Stochastic wave-current interaction

PhD project of Tom Protin at Ifremer (co-mentoring with Valentin Resseguier, Bertrand Chapron, and Ronan Fablet)



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Test of wave growth under time-varying Forcing

Growing waves in 1D



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- highest wave speeds and energy ahead of the hightest wind speeds
- non-local effects under wave-growth conditions





Problem III: how to merge and how to separate between swell and wind sea?





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- Merging/re-gridding should conserve energy and momentum, but on the same time not double count energy.
- wave growth is the result of the (5%) residual of wind energy input and dissipation



Total advected energy in proximity of the Node

Total re-initialized energy at the Node



Test Case I: Static Fetch

Reproducing 2nd generation models

The model qualitatively reproduces the fetch relation well

- Numerical diffusion needs tuning of wave growth and dissipation
- We plan to calibrate using Ensemble Kalman Inversion (Calibrate, Emulate, Sample, Cleary et al. 2020)

time (hours)

time hours





PiCLES: Dynamic Fetch









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