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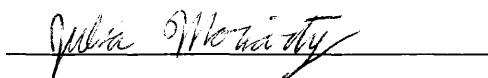
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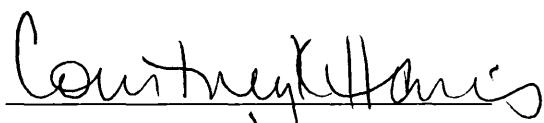
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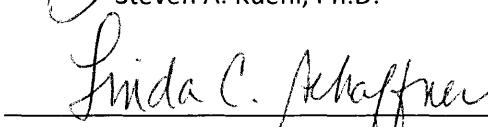
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ABSTRACT

As part of a large interdisciplinary study, particulate fluxes in the Waipaoa River sedimentary system in New Zealand have been studied from the terrestrial headlands of the catchment to the oceanic basin over timescales spanning storm events, seasons, and the Holocene. Here, we complement prior efforts by evaluating the formation and reworking of riverine deposits during episodic flood and wave events, and considering their role in accumulation patterns created over longer timescales on the Waipaoa shelf. Using a numerical hydrodynamic and sediment transport model, sediment fluxes and deposition were analyzed from January 2010 through February 2011.

A version of the three dimensional ROMS-CSTMS (Regional Ocean Modeling System – Community Sediment Transport Modeling System) was used to investigate the spatial and temporal variability of sediment fluxes on the Waipaoa shelf. The model could account for river input, waves, winds, larger-scale currents, tides, multiple sediment classes and a multi-layered seabed. Sediment sources to the water column included both the river plume and resuspension from the seabed. For model stability and to prevent the reflection of the river plume at the open boundary, the Waipaoa shelf model was nested within a larger-scale New Zealand ocean model. Model inputs were based on observations and model estimates, depending on availability.

Event sedimentation on the Waipaoa shelf differed from net accumulation patterns, especially over relatively short timescales. During floods, sediment generally deposited near the river mouth and along the coast in water shallower than 30 m. In the days to months following initial emplacement, waves reworked this deposit, preferentially resuspending sediment from shallow depths and redistributing it toward deeper areas where bed stresses were relatively low, including shelf depocenters and offshore. Overall, shelf deposition depended on characteristics of oceanographic transport (wave energy, current velocities) as well as on source (flood size, sediment size distribution).

Transport and Fate of Waipaoa Shelf Sediment

CHAPTER 1: Introduction

Sediment transport and deposition in the coastal ocean impact navigation and shoreline change, habitat suitability, and the geologic record and the natural resources contained there. Yet sediment fluxes remain difficult to predict because they are affected by hydrodynamic and seabed processes (e.g. seabed reworking, flocculation, and seabed consolidation) that depend on sediment type and environmental characteristics (e.g. Wheatcroft et al., 2007; Hill et al., 2000; Parchure and Mehta, 1985). Even at a single field site, sediment fluxes vary in time on scales from minutes to in excess of thousands of years, and on spatial scales from ripples to ocean basins (Sadler, 1981; Wright et al., 1977). This study analyzed sediment fluxes on the Waipaoa Shelf, New Zealand over timescales that ranged from single storms to months as part of a larger effort to understand the transport of material from terrestrial source to oceanic sink.

NSF's MARGINS Source-to-Sink (S2S) program was initiated to study sediment transport and deposition over a variety of temporal and spatial scales that bridged terrestrial and marine environments. The Waipaoa Sedimentary System (see Figure 1-1), the focus of this thesis and an S2S study site, has been well-studied, from sediment production in the terrestrial headlands to sediment accumulation in the ocean, and over time scales of floods to the entire Holocene (see Carter et al., 2010). Three scientific questions guided the S2S program (NSF MARGINS Program, 2004):

1. How do tectonics, climate, sea level fluctuations, and other forcing parameters regulate the production, transfer, and storage of sediments and solutes from their sources to their sinks?

2. What processes initiate erosion and sediment transfer, and how are these processes linked through feedbacks?
3. How do variations in sediment processes and fluxes and longer-term variations such as tectonics and sea level build the stratigraphic record to create a history of global change?

This thesis addressed the second and third questions using a coupled hydrodynamic and sediment transport model for the continental shelf offshore of the Waipaoa River, New Zealand.

Previous studies on this continental margin identified two long-term mid-shelf (40-70 m water depth) depocenters separated by a zone of low accumulation called Poverty Gap (Miller and Kuehl, 2010; Gerber et al., 2010). Analyses of these seabed observations alone, however, were unable to identify the mechanisms responsible for delivering sediment to the depocenters, or to evaluate the extent of modification of the sedimentary signal between the river mouth and preservation in the geologic record. In response, the Waipaoa Shelf Initiative (described in Chapter 3) proposed to obtain seabed and hydrodynamic observations to characterize sediment transport and deposition on event- to seasonal-time scales. As part of this, three instrumented tripods were deployed on the Waipaoa continental shelf from January, 2010 – February, 2011, and hundreds of sediment bed samples were obtained during the five associated research cruises. Complementing these observations, we used a numerical model to estimate and analyze sediment fluxes on the continental shelf.

Numerical models complement observations in the investigation of sediment transport and depositional processes. Field experiments carry a high cost and are hampered by difficulties of observing water column sediment fluxes during energetic conditions such as floods and storms, except at discrete points

served by deployed instruments. Numerical models can interpolate point observations to continuous spatial scales, however, and extrapolate beyond the spatial and temporal coverage of field experiments.

Numerical sediment transport models range from one to three dimensions. For example, one-dimensional bottom boundary layer models have been useful for providing high vertical resolution (Grant and Madsen, 1979; Madsen, 1994; Wiberg et al. 1994). Two-dimensional models, e.g. the plan-view gravity flow model by Scully et al., 2003 or the depth-resolving suspended transport model by Harris and Wiberg, 2001, resolve horizontal gradients in processes but avoid the computational requirements of three dimensional models. Three-dimensional circulation and sediment transport models, such as the Community Sediment Transport Modeling System (CSTMS; Warner et al., 2008) which has been recently implemented within the numerical circulation model Regional Ocean Modeling System (ROMS; Haidvogel et al., 2000; Haidvogel et al., 2008; Shchepetkin and McWilliams, 2005, 2009), fully resolve horizontal and vertical gradients, all of which can be important in the coastal ocean. Although increased model complexity and resolution carries a heavier computational load, a three dimensional model is necessary to represent the Waipaoa shelf's complex bathymetry, bottom boundary layer, and river plume dynamics.

Many three-dimensional coastal sediment transport models have either neglected larger-scale currents or simplified them by using temporal and/or spatial averages to specify currents at the model's boundary (e.g. Bever and Harris, submitted; Ralston et al., in press; Xu et al., 2011; Ganju and Schoelhamer, 2010; Chen et al., 2009). For example, Bever and Harris (submitted) developed a numerical model for Poverty Bay, the coastal portion of the Waipaoa Sedimentary System, that accounted for wind, wave, tidal, and river plume processes that act to disperse sediment there. At the

open boundaries, Bever and Harris (submitted) accounted for tides and allowed waves to propagate through the boundary by using Chapman (1985), Flather and Proter (1983), Marchesiello et al. (2001), and a no-gradient boundary condition for the free surface, two and three dimensional currents, and tracers, respectively. More recently, however, numerical models of continental shelf sediment transport have specified conditions along open boundaries based on estimates of coastal currents, temperature, and salinity from larger scale, lower resolution models (Blaas et al. 2006, Xue et al., 2012). Like Blaas et al. (2006) and Xue et al. (2012), we build on previous efforts by nesting a finer-scale grid within a larger scale hydrodynamic model, thereby accounting for larger scale circulation patterns. For the event-driven Waipaoa shelf model, nesting not only allowed us to account for larger scale currents, but was necessary to prevent the reflection of freshwater and sediment from the river plume at the model boundary, and to increase the stability of the model.

This thesis used the CSTMS – ROMS numerical model implemented for the Waipaoa continental shelf for a thirteen month period. Chapter Two describes the model in detail, with model input files provided in the Appendix. Chapter Three provides an analysis of model estimates. As described in that section, sediment fluxes and the resulting depositional patterns differed between floods, wave events, and fairweather periods. In the months following floods, energetic waves and currents resuspended sediment and redistributed riverine deposits. Preferential resuspension of shallow deposits encouraged sediment accumulation in deeper areas, including mid-shelf depocenters.

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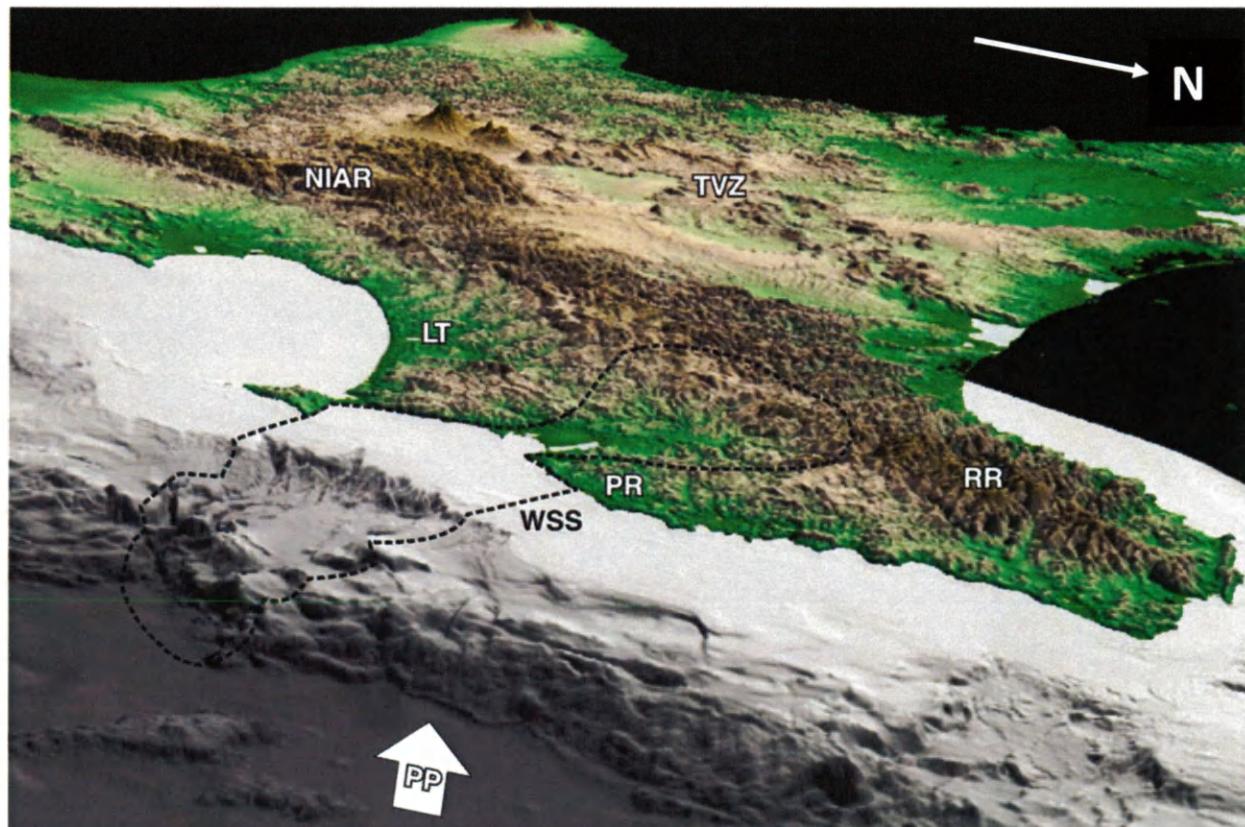
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Figures

Figure 1-1: Map of Waipaoa Sedimentary System (WSS)

After Carter et al., 2010. Oceanic crust of the Pacific Plate (PP) is subducted under the Australian Plate, uplifting the North Island axial ranges (NIAR), including the Raukumara Ranges (RR). Also labeled are the Taupo Volcanic Zone (TVZ), Lake Tutira (LT), and Pakarae River (PR).



CHAPTER 2 : Implementation of a hydrodynamic and sediment transport model for the Waipaoa Shelf, New Zealand

2.1 Abstract

This chapter details the numerical hydrodynamic and sediment transport model implemented for the Waipaoa Shelf, New Zealand, describing the formulations used to estimate sediment fluxes and deposition from January 15, 2010 to February 15, 2011. The model was based on Release 3.6 of ROMS-CSTMS (Regional Ocean Modeling System – Community Sediment Transport Modeling System; see Warner et al, 2008; Haidvogel et al., 2000; Haidvogel et al., 2008; Shchepetkin and McWilliams, 2005, 2009). This primitive equation model used a finite difference solution to the equations for conservation of momentum, water mass, and concentrations of sediment, temperature, and salinity. To represent the complex shelf bathymetry offshore of the Waipaoa River mouth, the model grid had a horizontal resolution of about 450 m. Sediment sources to the water column included riverine discharge and resuspension of material from the seabed. In addition to fluvial input, fluxes of water and particulates were forced by spatially-and temporally- variable winds, waves, and tides. Model nesting, a relatively new capability for sediment transport models, allowed larger-scale currents to affect local processes.

2.2 Model development

This section describes the equations and numerical schemes used to specify hydrodynamic and sediment transport processes within the model and at the boundaries of the grid. Table 2-1 lists symbols for all equations.

2.2.1 Hydrodynamic model and numerical schemes

ROMS-CSTMS, a community-developed numerical circulation and sediment transport model, solves the equations for Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes (1-3), tracer advection-diffusion (4), and continuity (5) using the hydrostatic and Boussinesq assumptions:

$$(1) \quad \text{Momentum Balance in X: } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \bar{u} \cdot \nabla u - fv = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left((K_M + \nu) \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) + F_u + D_u$$

$$(2) \quad \text{Momentum Balance in Y: } \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \bar{u} \cdot \nabla v + fu = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left((K_M + \nu) \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) + F_v + D_v$$

$$(3) \quad \text{Momentum Balance in Z (Hydrostatic Approximation): } \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = -\frac{\rho(T, S, P)g}{\rho_0}$$

$$(4) \quad \text{Tracer Advective-Diffusive Equation: } \frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \bar{u} \cdot \nabla C = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left((K_M + \nu_\theta) \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} \right) + F_c + D_c$$

$$(5) \quad \text{Continuity Equation: } \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0$$

where (x, y, z) were vertical coordinates, $\vec{u} = (u, v, w)$ was water velocity, f was the Coriolis parameter, ϕ was dynamic pressure, defined as pressure divided by ρ_0 , a reference density, K_m was eddy viscosity, ν was molecular viscosity, and g was the gravitational acceleration. In Equations (1)-(4), 'D' represented horizontal dispersion of tracers and momentum. For Equation (4), the tracer concentration, C , could represent an array of different tracers, which included temperature, T , salinity, S , and seven sediment classes for the Waipaoa shelf. The F terms represented forcing that included sources and sinks of momentum (F_u and F_v in Equations (1) and (2)), such as bottom friction, wind stress, or nudging to match the regional grid (see section 2.2.5), and tracers (F_c in Equation (4)), such as river discharge, sediment settling, and deposition. River discharge was treated as a point source for momentum, temperature,

salinity and suspended sediment. The density equation of state accounted for temperature, salinity, and sediment concentrations, C_s (Jackett and McDougall, 1995; Warner et al., 2008):

$$(6) \quad \text{Density Equation of State: } \rho(T, S, C_s) = \rho(T, S) + C_s \frac{(\rho_s - \rho)}{\rho_s}$$

ROMS is similar to other community models, such as the Princeton Ocean Model (POM; Blumberg and Mellor, 1983, 1987) and Finite-Volume Coastal Ocean Model (FVCOM; Chen et al., 2003), but distinguishes itself through the features described here. It uses a curvilinear orthogonal grid in the horizontal and a stretched-terrain following grid in the vertical which allows it to carry high resolution in both the surface and bottom boundary layers (Haidvogel et al., 2000). The numerical schemes in ROMS include split barotropic-baroclinic modes (Leap-Frog – Adams-Moulton predictor-corrector scheme; Haidvogel et al., 2000; Haidvogel et al., 2008; Shchepetkin and McWilliams, 2005, 2009) and reduce the pressure-gradient truncation error (Haney, 1991; Beckmann and Haidvogel, 1993; Mellor et al., 1994, 1998) by redefining the pressure-gradient term (Ezer et al., 2002; Shchepetkin and McWilliams, 2003; Haidvogel et al., 2008). ROMS also provides high-order schemes for estimating both vertical and horizontal advection (Huang et al., 2008; Haidvogel et al., 2008). For horizontal advection of sediment and other tracers, ROMS provides the MP-DATA scheme (Multidimensional Positive Definite Advection Transport Algorithm; Smolarkiewicz and Margolin, 1988) to avoid numerical oscillations and negative concentrations, and reduce numerical dispersion (e.g. Warner et al., 2008; Hyatt and Signell, 2000). For vertical advection of sediment, the ROMS framework implemented the PPM (Piecewise Parabolic Method) so that relatively large timesteps can be used for faster settling sands without the introduction of instabilities (Colella et al., 1984; Liu et al., 1994; Warner et al., 2008). These numerical schemes and reasonably high spatial resolution are important for representing the high gradients typical of coastal

and estuarine settings without sacrificing computational efficiency (Hyatt and Signell, 2000; Huang et al., 2008; Ezer et al., 2002; Shchepetkin and McWilliams, 1998).

For application of ROMS to the Waipaoa shelf, numerical schemes and the model grid (Figure 2-1) were chosen to reduce error in numerical computations without sacrificing model efficiency. Table 2-2 lists the specific numerical schemes. A timestep of 15 seconds was used.

2.2.2 Surface boundary layer formulation

The surface boundary formulation in ROMS was adopted from the physically-based COARE (Coupled-Ocean Atmosphere Response Experiment) framework described in Fairall et al. (1996) and Fairall et al. (2003). In this one layer boundary model, momentum was transferred from the atmosphere to the ocean through wind and rain:

$$(7) \quad \overrightarrow{\tau_{surface}} = \rho_{air} C_d |\vec{W}| \vec{W} + 0.85 * R * |\vec{W}| * sign(\vec{W})$$

where ρ_{air} represented air density, \vec{W} was mean wind velocity, and R was rainfall rate in $\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$. The surface drag coefficient, C_d , was calculated using:

$$(8) \quad C_d = \frac{W_*^2}{|\vec{W} + \vec{W}_{gust}|^2}$$

$$(9) \quad W_* = \sqrt{|\vec{W} + \vec{W}_{gust}|^2} \kappa / (\ln(Z_{obs} / Z_0) - \psi_w)$$

$$(10) \quad Z_0 = \frac{\alpha u_*^2}{g}$$

Here, W_* was the Monin-Obukhov similarity scaling parameter based on Liu et al. (1979),

$\overrightarrow{W}_{gust}$ represented wind gusts, κ was the von Karmen constant, Z_0 was a roughness length scale, α was the Charnock constant, and g was gravity. The height of wind observations (\overline{W}) was Z_{obs} , and ψ_w was a stability function. The Charnock constant, and therefore Z_0 , increased with wind stress since the ocean surface becomes rougher under energetic winds.

2.2.3 Bottom boundary layer formulation

This implementation of ROMS used the Sherwood, Signell and Warner (Warner et al., 2008; referred to as W08) bottom boundary layer parameterization, a physics-based approach that could account for form drag and ripples. This formulation, defined as ‘SSW’ within ROMS, was based on Madsen (1994; referred to as M94) that divided the bottom boundary layer into two sections: a combined wave-current boundary layer, and a current boundary layer. The model parameterized turbulence using the following eddy viscosity profile:

(11) M94 Equation 2, W08 Equation 49:

$$K_M = \begin{cases} \kappa u_{*_{wc,max}} z & \text{for } z_0 < z < z_1 \\ \kappa u_{*c} z & \text{for } z_1 < z \end{cases}$$

where z_0 was the hydraulic roughness, and z_1 defined the upper boundary of the wave-current boundary layer. The von Karman constant was κ , while u_{*c} and $u_{*_{cw,max}}$ were the current-induced and wave-current induced shear velocities. For this study, the hydraulic roughness, z_o , neglected ripples and biological features and was set equal to the grainsize roughness $z_{o,N}$:

$$(12) \quad z_o = z_{o,N}$$

$$(13) \quad \text{W08 Equation 44: } z_{o,N} = 2.5 \cdot D_{50}/30$$

where D_{50} was the median grain size on the seabed. The model then used the bottom roughness, the eddy viscosity profiles, wave orbital velocities provided by input files, and currents, u_r , at reference height z_r (20 cm above the bed) estimated by the hydrodynamic model, to calculate the current-induced, $\vec{\tau}_c$, wave-induced, $\vec{\tau}_{w,\max}$, and combined maximum current-wave-induced, $\vec{\tau}_{cw,\max}$, bed stresses following Madsen, 1994 (referred to as M94).

$$(14) \quad \vec{\tau}_{cw,\max} = \vec{\tau}_c + \vec{\tau}_{w,\max}$$

$$(15) \quad \text{M94 Equation 26: } u_{*_{cw,\max}}^2 = C_\mu u_{*_{w,\max}}^2$$

$$(16) \quad \text{M94 Equations 27 and 28: } C_\mu = \left[1 + 2 \left(\frac{u_{*c}}{u_{*w,\max}} \right)^2 \cos(\phi_{cw}) + \left(\frac{u_{*c}}{u_{*w,\max}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$(17) \quad \text{M94 Equation 29: } u_{*w,\max} = \frac{1}{2} f_{cw} u_b^2$$

$$(18) \quad \text{M94 Equations 32 and 33, W08 Equation 48:}$$

$$f_{cw} = C_\mu \exp \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 0.3 & \text{for } \left(\frac{C_\mu u_b}{k_N \omega} \right) < 0.2 \\ 7.02 \left(\frac{C_\mu u_b}{k_N \omega} \right)^{-0.078} - 8.82 & \text{for } 0.2 < \left(\frac{C_\mu u_b}{k_N \omega} \right) < 10^2 \\ 5.61 \left(\frac{C_\mu u_b}{k_N \omega} \right)^{-0.109} - 7.30 & \text{for } 10^2 < \left(\frac{C_\mu u_b}{k_N \omega} \right) < 10^4 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(19) \quad u_{*c} = \frac{1}{2} u_{*_{cw,\max}} \frac{\ln(z_r / z_{cw})}{\ln(z_{cw} / z_o)} \left(-1 + \sqrt{4K \frac{\ln(z_{cw} / z_o)}{\ln(z_r / z_{cw})} \frac{u_r}{u_{*_{cw,\max}}}} \right)$$

$$(20) \quad z_{cw} = \begin{cases} k_N & \text{for } \left(\frac{C_\mu u_b}{k_N \omega} \right) \leq 8.0 \\ 2 \frac{\kappa u_{*cw}}{\omega} & \text{for } \left(\frac{C_\mu u_b}{k_N \omega} \right) > 8.0 \end{cases}$$

$$(21) \quad k_N = 30 \cdot z_o$$

Here, $u_{*w,\max}$ was the wave-induced shear velocity, and k_N was bottom roughness length. Model input included the wave orbital velocity, u_b , and the angle between the waves and the currents, ϕ_{cw} . The wave friction factor, f_{cw} , increased with wave orbital velocity and period, and with C_μ (which increased as currents became more energetic compared to waves). The bottom boundary routine iterated through Equations (15) – (20) to find consistent values for $u_{*w,\max}$, u_{*c} , u_{*cw} , C_μ and f_{cw} that were then used to determine the dampening of circulation by bottom friction and evaluate sediment mobility.

2.2.4 Seabed model

As described in Warner et al. (2008) and summarized in Section 2.2.1, the model accounted for advection, diffusion, erosion and deposition of sediment. Both fluvial discharge and seabed erosion provided sediment to the water column, with erosion calculated following the Ariathurai and Arulanandan (1978) formulation for each sediment size class:

$$(22) \quad F_c = E - \frac{\partial w_s C_{s,1}}{\partial z_s}$$

$$(23) \quad E = \begin{cases} M(1-p) \frac{\tau_{cw,max} - \tau_{crit}}{\tau_{crit}} & \text{when } \tau_{cw,max} > \tau_{crit} \\ 0 & \text{when } \tau_{cw,max} < \tau_{crit} \end{cases}$$

In Equation (22), F_c was the net entrainment of suspended sediment, where E represented erosion and the second term estimated settling to the bed based on settling velocity, w_s , and on $C_{s,1}$, the mass of suspended sediment per unit area of the bed in the near-bed grid cell. In Equation (23), M was the erosion rate parameter, p was porosity, or void fraction of the seabed, $\tau_{cw,max}$ was combined wave-current- bed shear stress from Equation (14), and τ_{crit} was a spatially-constant, time-invariant critical bed shear stress. Equations (22) and (23) were calculated for several sediment types, each having different input values for settling velocity and critical shear stress (see section 2.3.7). Note that these and other parameters (e.g. erosion rate parameter) were treated as constants for each sediment class, and so processes including flocculation (Syvitski et al., 1985), seabed consolidation (Parchure and Mehta, 1985) and bioturbation (Paterson, 1997) were not explicitly represented in the model. For the Waipaoa Shelf, different sediment types were used to distinguish material delivered by the river from particulates that originated on the seabed. Erosion was restricted by sediment mass conservation, and limited to the thickness of the active layer z_a following Harris and Wiberg (1997; their equation 1):

$$(24) \quad z_a = \max \left[k_1 (\tau_{cw,max} - \tau_{crit}), 0 \right] + k_2 D_{50} .$$

where k_1 and k_2 were constants set equal to $0.007 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2} \text{ kg}^{-1}$ and 6.0, respectively. As implemented for the Waipaoa shelf, active layer thicknesses on the mid-shelf rarely exceeded ~5-10 mm and increased in shallow areas and near the anticlines due to the relatively high bed stress and larger sediment grains

found there (Figure 2-2). Overall, seabed erodibility was determined by the availability within the active layer of sediment having a critical shear stress exceeded by the combined wave-current bed stress.

Sediment bed properties such as grain size distribution were stored for eight seabed layers that initially represented 1.6 m of sediment. Erosion and deposition of multiple sediment classes modified the grain size distributions stored for the sediment bed and the thickness of the seabed layers, as described in Warner et al. (2008). These changes impacted the upper few layers of the sediment bed, while the deeper layers served as a repository of sediment. The surficial seabed layer was ~1 cm across the shelf on average, but was thinner in areas of low deposition and where the active layer was thin. Choice of model formulations and parameters is further discussed in section 2.3.7.

2.2.5 Open Boundary Conditions

The Waipaoa shelf model grid was bounded by land only on the northwestern side (Figure 2-1), so a free-slip wall condition was used there. Specifically, a zero gradient condition was assumed for tracers and sea surface elevation, water velocities normal to land were zero, and a free-slip condition was used for the tangential velocities:

(25) Clamped OBC:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial n} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial C}{\partial n} &= 0 \\ \vec{u} \bullet \hat{n} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

where \hat{n} is direction perpendicular to the boundary. Along the other three edges, open boundary conditions (OBCs) for sea surface height, barotropic and baroclinic velocities, and tracer concentrations

accounted for tides, shelf waves, and the transient behavior of the river plume. Radiation conditions along the southwest, southeast, and northeast boundaries allowed waves to propagate through them without reflecting. Specifically, the Chapman (1985) and Flather (1976; Roed and Smesdtad, 1984) conditions were applied at the model boundaries for the free surface and barotropic momentum, respectively, to account for tides (Martinsen and Engedahl, 1987; Palma and Matano, 1998; Carter and Merrifield, 2007):

$$(26) \quad \text{Chapman OBC: } \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t} + \sqrt{g(h+\eta)} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$(27) \quad \text{Flather OBC: } \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial t} + \sqrt{gh} \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial x} = 0 ; \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + h \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial x} = 0$$

where ξ is the variable of interest (e.g. velocity, the free surface, or tracer concentrations) unless otherwise specified. Velocity, $u_{obc}(t)$, and sea surface height, $\eta_{obc}(t)$, at the boundary, required as input, were specified using data provided by M. Hadfield (National Institute for Water and Atmosphere, New Zealand; NIWA) from a larger-scale model, ROMS-NZ, described below (Figure 2-3). Similarly, using the oblique radiation condition for baroclinic velocities and tracer concentrations reduced artificial reflections at the boundaries (Chapman, 1985; Palma and Matano, 2000; Marchesiello et al., 2001).

Following Marchesiello et al. (2001) and Lavelle and Thacker (2008), the model nudged current velocities, salinity, temperature, and suspended sediment concentrations near open boundaries toward values specified from a larger scale hydrodynamic model, ROMS-NZ (see Section 2.3.5). Model nudging occurred at locations within the interior of the grid first, followed by points on the open boundary:

(28a) Nudging, evaluated within grid interior:

$$\xi = \xi' + \frac{F_{grid}}{T_{R0}} (\xi_{obc} - \xi') \Delta t$$

(28b) Nudging-Radiation OBC, evaluated at model boundary:

$$\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t} + c_x \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + c_y \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} = F_{grid} \left(\frac{1}{T_R} \right) \xi_{obc}(t)$$

$$c_x = -\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t} \frac{\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x}}{(\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x})^2 + (\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y})^2}$$

$$c_y = -\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t} \frac{\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y}}{(\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x})^2 + (\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y})^2}$$

$$T_R = \begin{cases} T_{RO} & \text{current velocities directed out of grid} \\ \frac{T_{RO}}{F_{OBC}} & \text{current velocities directed into grid} \end{cases}$$

Here, ξ' was the variable of interest before any nudging occurred, T_R was the relaxation timescale, and Δt was the timestep. The larger scale model provided $\xi_{obc}(t)$. The relaxation timescale decreased with decreasing T_{RO} and increasing F_{OBC} , enhancing nudging when currents flowed into the model grid. Based on sensitivity tests, T_{RO} and F_{OBC} were set to 2.5 days and 2.5. The constant F_{grid} specified spatial variability for nudging so that it decreased sinusoidally with distance from the open boundary, and was limited to those locations within 30 grid cells of open boundaries:

$$(29) \quad F_{grid} = \begin{cases} 1 - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{j}{30}\right) & \text{for } j \in [1, 30] \\ 1 - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{J-j+1}{30}\right) & \text{for } j \in [J-29, J] \\ 1 - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{I-i+1}{30}\right) & \text{for } i \in [I-29, I] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where I and J were the total number of grid cells in the NW-SE and SW-NE directions and coordinates (i,j) indicate location within the grid. Note that since ROMS-NZ did not include sediment, this meant that suspended sediment concentrations within 30 grid cells of the boundaries were nudged toward zero. This model nesting not only enabled the model to account for larger scale currents, but also reduced reflection of river plume salinity and suspended sediment concentrations at the boundaries, and increased model stability.

2.3 Model Initialization and Forcing

Observed and modeled datasets for bathymetry, winds, waves, river discharge, tides, currents, temperature, salinity, metrological conditions and sediment were used to initialize and force the model. Table 2-3 lists the specific datasets. All interpolations used linear Delaunay triangulation, unless specified below.

2.3.1 Model grid construction and bathymetry

Designed to include the river mouth, Poverty Bay, and the proximal continental shelf, the model grid (Figure 2-1) also encompassed the three depocenters identified by Miller and Kuehl (2010), Gerber et al. (2010), and Orpin et al. (2006). Use of a curvilinear horizontal grid and a stretched terrain-following

vertical grid allowed the model to resolve regions of interest (e.g. two depocenters landward of shelf anticlines) and the near-bed and near-surface areas that have high vertical gradients in sediment concentration or velocity. While our model achieved lower resolution within Poverty Bay than that used by Bever and Harris (submitted), it included more of the proximal continental shelf, allowing us to focus on shelf transport mechanisms.

Gridgen, a program that creates near-orthogonal grids, and Matlab were used to construct an appropriate model grid that had a horizontal resolution of about 450 m on the mid-shelf (see Figure 2-1). The grid was curved to reduce the number of terrestrial grid cells and to approximately parallel bathymetry to facilitate post-processing of data (i.e. across-shelf fluxes), and reduce model errors associated with nesting and along-isobath flow (Hadfield, pers. comm., 2012). In the unmasked (water) section of the grid, the angles of grid corners deviated from perpendicular by a maximum of 1.4° and a mean of 0.13°. Vertical resolution varied with depth, and was about 0.25 m , 2.2 m, and 0.78 m near the surface, mid water-column, and seabed where the water was 24 m deep at the entrance to Poverty Bay. In deeper areas of the shelf, resolution decreased so that, for example, surface, mid-water column and near-bed layers were 0.39 m, 4.8 m, and 1.6 m thick at 52 m depth near the Southern depocenter.

Four datasets that each had a different focus provided the basis for the model's bathymetry. Multibeam was used to map Poverty Bay in 2005 and 2006 by J. McNinch (then VIMS, now USACoE), while S. Kuehl (VIMS) provided multibeam data of the continental shelf and slope that had been obtained in 2005 on the *R/V Kilo Moana*. The NIWA dataset provided by S. Stephens (NIWA) contained complete, though low resolution, 10 m bathymetric contours of the continental shelf and slope. Finally, the historical gridded bathymetry from NIWA was the only data source near the entrance of Poverty Bay. The datasets

were all referenced with respect to the WGS 84 datum and the universal transverse Mercator horizontal projection, except for the historical gridded dataset, for which the projection was unknown.

Comparisons revealed systematic offsets between the datasets. In areas that overlapped (see Figure 2-4), the NIWA contours and Kuehl water depths were ~3 m and ~2 m shallower, respectively, than those from J. McNinch. The offsets were removed by adding 3 and 2 m to the NIWA contours and Kuehl data, which aligned them with the McNinch data from Poverty Bay. The deeper-water datasets were referenced to the McNinch data because bed stresses were most sensitive to bathymetry in shallow water and because 2-3 m was a smaller percentage of water column height in deeper areas compared to shallow areas. These three data sets were then combined for interpolation. Note that because the NIWA 10 m contours had lower resolution for much of the shelf, this dataset was relatively sparse compared to the gridded products. Thus, the gridded multibeam datasets dominated the model bathymetry where they provided coverage, while the NIWA contours filled in areas that were sparsely covered, primarily near the coastline and in the southwest and northeast portions of the grid.

After gridding, the model bathymetry was smoothed with a Shapiro (1975) filter to improve model stability (Haney, 1991; Beckmann and Haidvogel, 1993; Sikiric et al., 2009). Finally, water depths near the open boundaries of the model grid were tapered to match ROMS-NZ bathymetry to facilitate model nesting. Both water depth and land-ocean masking were identical to ROMS-NZ over the region where nudging occurred (see Section 2.2.5). This methodology avoided noticeable seams where the datasets abutted, and the bathymetry, slope and curvature of the model grid (Figure 2-1) was consistent with those of each individual dataset. The greatest uncertainty in bathymetry unfortunately lay at the entrance of Poverty Bay, where recent datasets on known projections did not provide much coverage.

2.3.2 Winds and Waves

Modeled wind and wave data were used as input to account for their spatial and temporal variability.

Estimates from NZLAM and NZWAVE (see Figure 2-5) were used because they were calibrated against local as opposed to global data, and had relatively fine resolution. NZLAM, an implementation of the UK Meteorological (Met) Office's Unified Model (Davies et al., 2005), provided hourly estimates of wind velocity on a 12 km resolution grid. A local implementation of NOAA's Wave Watch 3 model (Tolman et al., 2001), NZWAVE produced output every three hours on a 12 km resolution grid. Wind velocities and wave estimates (significant wave height, mean wave direction, wave length, and mean wave period) from these two models were interpolated to the ROMS grid and used as input.

Since NZWAVE did not provide wave spectra, the bottom wave period was assumed to be equal to the surface average period. This assumption resulted in underestimations of bottom wave period, because high frequency waves within a wave spectrum decay with water depth, h , so that only the longer-period waves are felt at depth. Wave orbital velocities, u_b , were calculated using linear wave theory and the interpolated NZWAVE data and bathymetry from the model grid:

$$(30) \quad u_b = \frac{\pi H_{sig}}{T \sinh(2\pi h/L)}$$

Where H_{sig} was significant wave height, L is wave length and T is wave period.

2.3.3 River discharge

Waipaoa River water and sediment discharges were represented as a point-source entering Poverty Bay at a single grid cell located near the river mouth. Observations of river stage were collected hourly at Kanakania Bridge, ~80 km upriver, above tidal influences by G. Hall and D. Peacock at the Gisborne

District Council (GDC). For water and sediment input, recently-calibrated rating curves provided by the GDC were applied to the river stage and water discharge, respectively (see Figure 2-5). ROMS required that the vertical profile of the freshwater and sediment flux be specified at the point source. For the Waipaoa River, the profile was configured so that the freshwater and river sediment was delivered in the top half of the water column to represent estuarine circulation(see Figure 2-6).

2.3.4 Tides

Tidal velocities, amplitudes and phase components extracted from the Oregon State Tidal Prediction Software (OTPS) TPX07.1 global solution (Egbert et al., 1994; Egbert and Erofeeva, 2002) were used to specify estimated tidal currents and sea surface height at model open boundaries. OTPS accounted for eleven ocean tidal constituents, and was driven by satellite altimeter data (i.e. TOPEX/Poseidon and Jason). This model was previously used by Bever and Harris (submitted) to represent tides on the Waipaoa Shelf and Poverty Bay. Future work may instead use NZTIDE, provided by M. Hadfield and M. Uddstrom (NIWA), because it is a locally-calibrated tide model (Walters et al., 2001).

2.3.5 Baroclinic Currents, Temperature and Salinity

Current velocities, temperature and salinity at and near open boundaries of the Waipaoa grid were nudged toward values from ROMS-NZ, a larger scale baroclinic model adapted for northern New Zealand by M. Hadfield (NIWA; see Figure 2-3). ROMS-NZ provided estimates of current velocity, temperature and salinity every three hours on an about two kilometer grid. This one-way nesting of the Waipaoa shelf model within the lower resolution hydrodynamic model allowed larger-scale circulation (i.e. shelf waves and offshore eddies) to influence modeled Waipaoa shelf hydrodynamics. ROMS-NZ estimates agreed well with NIWA's established storm surge model River and Coastal Ocean Model (RiCOM;

Walters, 2005, 2006; Lane and Walters, 2009), and used a rectilinear grid, which facilitated interpolation of currents between grids (Hadfield, pers. comm., 2010).

Three-dimensional, time dependent current velocities, temperature and salinity estimates from ROMS-NZ were linearly interpolated to the Waipaoa shelf grid and used for model initialization and nudging at model boundaries. ROMS-NZ estimates were unavailable for some grid cells near the coast in the interior of the grid where the land-ocean masking differed between the two models. At these sites, current velocities were initialized to zero, and initial temperature and salinity estimates were set equal to values from adjacent grid cells. Since land-ocean masking was identical between model grids near the open boundaries, these approximations only affected model initialization and not nudging at open boundaries (see Section 2.2.5).

2.3.6 Atmospheric forcing

As discussed in section 2.3.2, wind velocities were interpolated from the estimates provided by NZLAM. ROMS also required as input estimates for air pressure, cloud cover, precipitation, relative humidity, shortwave radiation, and air temperature. Hourly records of these metrological data from the Gisborne, NZ airport were applied uniformly across the Waipaoa shelf, and obtained from NIWA's National Climate Database web system (Cliflo; <http://cliflo.niwa.co.nz/>).

2.3.7 Sediment characteristics

Model calculations accounted for a total of seven sediment types and eight seabed layers (see Table 2-4). Different sediment classes were used to store fluvial and bed sediment so that model analysis could differentiate between material from these two sources. Although model calculations included both

types of sediment, nearly all of the analysis presented in Chapter 3 focused on the transport and fate of the riverine material. Wadman and McNinch (2009), Wood (2006) and the January, 2010 cruise provided data used to develop the initial seabed sediment distributions (Figure 2-7). Grain size data were converted to percent sand and percent mud for all sites, and then spatially interpolated. Near the model open boundaries, there was no available grain size data and so grid cells with water depth deeper than 300 m or near the northeastern and southwestern boundaries were assumed to be mud. For the purpose of interpolation, the coastline was assumed to be composed of sand. Finally, the grain size distribution was constrained so that at least 10% of the seabed was composed of fast-settling material to enhance bed armoring based on Bever and Harris (submitted).

Four classes were used to represent sediment delivered fluvially. Their properties were informed by Hicks et al. (2004) and tripod estimates of effective settling velocity from the field site (obtained from A. Ogston and R. Hale, University of Washington). These sources estimated a median grain diameter of 8.5 μm in the Waipaoa river during floods and effective settling velocities ranging from <0.1 to $\sim 1 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$, with a peak at $\sim 0.1 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$ during energetic shelf conditions at 40 m water depth. Since information regarding the distribution of sediment settling velocity in the river plume was unavailable, however, a range of reasonable sediment settling velocities ($0.15 - 1 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$) was chosen. The fluvial sediment was logarithmically partitioned into these sediment classes following sensitivity tests that considered the sediment budgets for Poverty Bay and the continental shelf following a three month model run representing early 2010.

Sediment parameters (critical shear stress, erosion rate parameter) were chosen to match estimates from ADV (Acoustic Doppler Velocimeter) and OBS (Optical Backscatter Sensor) measurements from the

first two months of the tripod deployment (data obtained from A. Ogston and R. Hale, University of Washington) and Gust erosion chamber experiments conducted at the field site (data from J.P. Walsh, D.R. Corbett, and J. Kiker, East Carolina University; Kiker; 2012). Critical shear stress for riverine sediment was set to 0.1 Pa, consistent with tripod estimates of bed shear stress and sediment concentration, Gust chamber erodibility experiments (Kiker, 2012), and sediment transport models for other continental shelves that represented fluvial sediment (e.g. Ferre et al., 2010; Harris et al. 2008; Harris et al. 2005; Harris and Wiberg, 2002; Wiberg et al., 1994). Seabed sediment classes were assigned critical shear stress values that varied with grain size and source. Porosity was assumed constant across the shelf and was set equal to a relatively high value of 0.9 based on estimates of seabed elevation change from ADV backscatter. The erosion rate parameter (Equation (23)) was assigned a value of $M = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ based on OBS-derived suspended sediment concentrations. Although the model neglected seabed consolidation, spatially-variable sediment distributions and bed stresses created a gradient of high to low seabed erodibility from Poverty Bay to the depocenters, consistent with Gust erodibility estimates, as discussed in Chapter 3.

2.4 Computational Limits

Many decisions in the implementation of three-dimensional numerical ocean models must consider tradeoffs between the required accuracy, an acceptable level of spatial resolution and computational limits. The model described had a total of 118×287 horizontal grid cells, each with 20 vertical water column layers and 8 vertical sediment bed layers. A total of 9 tracer variables were estimated (salinity, temperature, and seven sediment classes), in addition to the momentum state variables. To provide estimates that overlapped with the Poverty Shelf field experiment, the modeled time period spanned

thirteen months, from January, 2010 – February, 2011. In setting up the model, sensitivity tests were run on a subset of this time period, the three months at the beginning of the longer model run.

ROMS has been parallelized using MPI (Message Passing Interface), which allowed us to run the model on the Virginia Institute of Marine Science’s (VIMS’) High Performance Computing (HPC) cluster using 16 nodes. The full thirteen month model run required 23 days to run to completion. Some choices of model implementation significantly slowed the computations, including the MPData algorithm for horizontal advection of tracers, and the nudging of currents and tracers near the open boundaries. These components of the model were, however, important for model stability.

Each thirteen month model run produced ~210 gigabytes (GB) of model output, which recorded hourly estimates of state variables including velocities and tracer concentrations for each grid point, as well as characteristics of the sediment bed.

2.5. Summary

This project built on previous efforts by using a nested hydrodynamic – sediment transport model to examine sediment fluxes on the Waipaoa Shelf. A three-dimensional sediment transport model accounting for a river plume, winds, waves, larger scale currents, and tides was developed and implemented for the Waipaoa Shelf, New Zealand. These processes were represented using the ROMS-CSTMS framework in conjunction with locally-validated observed and modeled datasets described above. By varying spatial and vertical resolution in the model, we focused on the area of interest and boundary layer processes while maintaining sufficient model efficiency.

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Tables

Table 2-1: Parameters in ROMS-CSTMS as described in Chapter 2

Parameter	Meaning	Unit
C	Tracer concentration	Amount of tracer (degrees celsius, psu, or kg of sediment) per cubic meter of water
C_d	Surface layer drag coefficient	non-dimensional
C_s	Suspended sediment concentration	kg m^{-3}
$C_{s,1}$	Suspended sediment concentration per unit area of the bed in the bottom water column grid cell	kg m^{-2}
C_μ	Coefficient for wave-current interaction in bottom boundary layer	non-dimensional
c_x, c_y	Phase speeds for oblique radiation boundary condition	m s^{-1}
D	Dispersion	m s^{-2}
D_{50}	Median grain diameter	m
E	Erosion	$\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
f	Coriolis parameter	s^{-1}
f_{cw}	Wave friction factor	non-dimensional
F	Forcing term in ROMS momentum and tracer advective-diffusion equations. Can include, but is not limited to, sediment settling between vertical layers, surface stress, and river discharge	m s^{-2}
F_c	Source of sediment to the water column due to seabed deposition and erosion	$\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
F_{grid}	Constant specifying spatially-variable nudging at open boundaries	non-dimensional
F_{OBC}	Constant specifying changes to nudging at open boundaries based on direction of currents	non-dimensional
g	Gravitational constant	m s^{-2}
H_{sig}	Significant wave height	m
h	Water depth	m
I	Number of grid cells in NW-SE direction	non-dimensional
i	Index for model grid in NW-SE direction	non-dimensional
J	Number of grid cells in SW-NE direction	non-dimensional
j	Index for model grid in SW-NE direction	non-dimensional
K_M	Eddy viscosity	$\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$

k_1, k_2	Coefficients for active layer formulation (0.007 and 6.0, respectively)	$\text{m}^2 \text{s}^2 \text{kg}^{-1}$; non-dimensional
k_N	Bottom roughness for bed shear stress calculations	m
L	Wave length	m
M	Erosion rate parameter	$\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
p	Seabed porosity	non-dimensional
R	Rainfall rate	$\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
S	Salinity	psu
T	Wave period	s
T_R	Relaxation timescale for nudging at open boundaries	s
T_{RO}	Relaxation constant for nudging at open boundaries	non-dimensional
t	Time	s
u	Current velocity in x direction	m s^{-1}
\bar{u}	Depth-averaged velocity	m s^{-1}
u_{obc}	Prescribed value for vertically averaged velocity in open boundary equations	m s^{-1}
u_b	Wave orbital velocity	m s^{-1}
u_r	Near-bed current speed at reference height z_r	m s^{-1}
u_{*c}	Current-induced shear velocity	m s^{-1}
$u_{*cw,max}$	Maximum combined wave-current shear velocity	m s^{-1}
$u_{*w,max}$	Maximum wave-induced shear velocity	m s^{-1}
v	Current velocity in y direction	m s^{-1}
\bar{W}	Mean wind velocity	m s^{-1}
$\overrightarrow{W}_{gust}$	Wind gusts	m s^{-1}
W_*	Monin-Obukhov similarity scaling parameter	$\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$
w_s	Sediment settling velocity	m s^{-1}
x, y	Horizontal coordinates	non-dimensional
z_0	Roughness length for atmospheric boundary layer	m
z_{obs}	Height of observations above ocean surface	m
z	Vertical coordinate in water column	non-dimensional
z_0	Hydrodynamic roughness	m
$z_{0,N}$	Bottom roughness due to sediment grains	m
z_1	Upper boundary of wave-current boundary layer in bottom boundary formulation	m
z_a	Thickness of seabed active layer	m
z_{cw}	Thickness of wave boundary layer for	m

	calculations of bed shear stress	
z_r	Reference height for near-bed currents	m
z_s	Vertical coordinate in seabed	m
α	Charnock constant	non-dimensional
η	Sea surface height	m
η_0	Prescribed value for sea surface height in open boundary equations	m
κ	vanKarmen constant	Non-dimensional
ν	Seawater viscosity	$m^2 s^{-1}$
ξ	Variable of interest in boundary condition equations	Same units as velocity, sea surface height, temperature, salinity, or sediment concentrations
ξ_{obc}	Prescribed value for variable of interest in open boundary condition equations	Same units as velocity, sea surface height, temperature, salinity, or sediment concentrations
ρ	Water density	$kg m^{-3}$
ρ_0	Reference water density	$kg m^{-3}$
ρ_{air}	Air density	$kg m^{-3}$
ρ_s	Sediment density	$kg m^{-3}$
$\overrightarrow{\tau}_{w,max}$	Maximum wave-induced bed shear stress over a wave period	Pa
$\overrightarrow{\tau}_c$	Current-induced bed shear stress	Pa
$\overrightarrow{\tau}_{cw,max}$	Maximum wave-current induced bed shear stress over a wave period	Pa
τ_{crit}	Critical shear stress for seabed	Pa
$\overrightarrow{\tau}_{surface}$	Shear stress at ocean surface	Pa
ϕ	Dynamic pressure (Pressure divided by a reference density)	$m^2 s^{-2}$
ϕ_{cw}	Angle between waves and currents in bottom boundary layer	Radians
ψ_w	Stability function for atmospheric boundary layer	non-dimensional
ω	Angular wave frequency	1/s

Table 2-2: Numerical Schemes for Waipaoa Shelf Model

Descriptions and citations of numerical schemes provided in Section 2.2.1.

Process	Numerical Scheme
Advection of momentum (Vertical, 3D)	4 th order, centered
Advection of momentum (Horizontal, 3D)	3 rd order, upstream
Advection of tracers	MPData
Vertical Sediment Settling	PPM

Table 2-3: Datasets used for model initialization and forcing

Type of Data	Data Description and Source
Bathymetry to construct model grid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multibeam surveys (McNinch et al., 2008; Gerber et al., 2010 provided by S. Kuehl) Bathymetric contours provided by S. Stephens (NIWA) Historical gridded bathymetry (pers. Comm. NIWA) Modeled bathymetry of New Zealand ROMs model (ROMS-NZ; Hadfield, 2010)
Currents, temperature and salinity at open boundaries, and for model initialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baroclinic version of ROMS-NZ, provided by M. Hadfield
Wave height, direction, and period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIWA's New Zealand Wave (NZWAVE) model (NZWAVE, an implementation of NOAA's Wave Watch III model; Tolman et al., 2002)
Wind stress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIWA's New Zealand Limited Area Model (NZLAM, an implementation of the UK Met Office's Unified Model; Davies et al., 2005)
Tidal components: open boundary sea surface height and tidal velocities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tidal velocities, amplitudes and phase components from the Oregon State Tidal Prediction Software TPX07.1 global solution (OTPS; Egbert et al., 1994; Egbert and Erofeeva, 2002)
Metrological data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Air pressure, cloud cover, precipitation, relative humidity, shortwave radiation, air temperature from NIWA's National Climate Database web system (Cliflo; http://cliflo.niwa.co.nz/) at Gisborne airport
River discharge of freshwater and sediment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> River gauge measurements provided by G. Hall and D. Peacock (Gisborne District Council, New Zealand)
Sediment properties of fluvial and seabed material (diameter, settling velocity, critical stress for erosion)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hicks et al., 2004 Wood, 2006. ADV and OBS data provided by A. Ogston and R. Hale
Seabed characteristics for comparison to model estimates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radiometric and x-ray analysis of cores (by J.P. Walsh, R. Corbett, and J. Kiker of ECU; A. Orpin of NIWA; and T. Kniskern of VIMS)

Table 2-4: Sediment characteristics for all sediment classes

Grain Size Class	Sediment Source	% of Riverine Load	Settling Velocity (mm s ⁻¹)	Critical Shear Stress (Pa)	D ₅₀ (μm)	D ₅₀ (phi)
1	Seabed	--	2.4	0.1	63	4.0
2	Seabed	--	65.0	0.28	500	1.0
3	Seabed	--	125.0	0.53	1000	0.0
4	River	53	0.15	0.1	16	6.0
5	River	27	0.3	0.1	22	5.5
6	River	13	0.5	0.1	30	5.1
7	River	7	1.0	0.1	40	4.6
For all grain size classes:						
Sediment density: 2650 kg/m ³						
Erosion rate: 2 × 10 ⁻⁴ kg/m ² /s						
Porosity: 0.9						

Figures

Figure 2-1: Study site on North Island, New Zealand

A. Adapted from Miller and Kuehl, 2009. Spatial distribution of ^{210}Pb accumulation rates (cm y^{-1}) with labels for Waipaoa River (red arrow), Poverty Bay, Poverty Gap, Lachlan Anticline (L.A.), Ariel Anticline (A.A.), and depocenters (Dep.). Grey bathymetric contours indicate every 10 m. **B.** Waipaoa Shelf map showing tripod locations (brown) and multi-core stations (black) from the first research cruise. Grey and black bathymetric contours indicate every 10 m up to 100 m depth and every 50 m up to 150 m depth. Inset shows location of study site in New Zealand. **C.** Waipaoa model grid showing bathymetry with gridlines. Each box encompasses 25 grid cells. Model boundaries labeled 'NW', 'SW', 'SE', 'NE'. **D.** Waipaoa model grid showing details of shelf bathymetry without gridlines. Grey and black bathymetric contours indicate every 10 m up to 100 m depth and every 50 m up to 150 m depth.

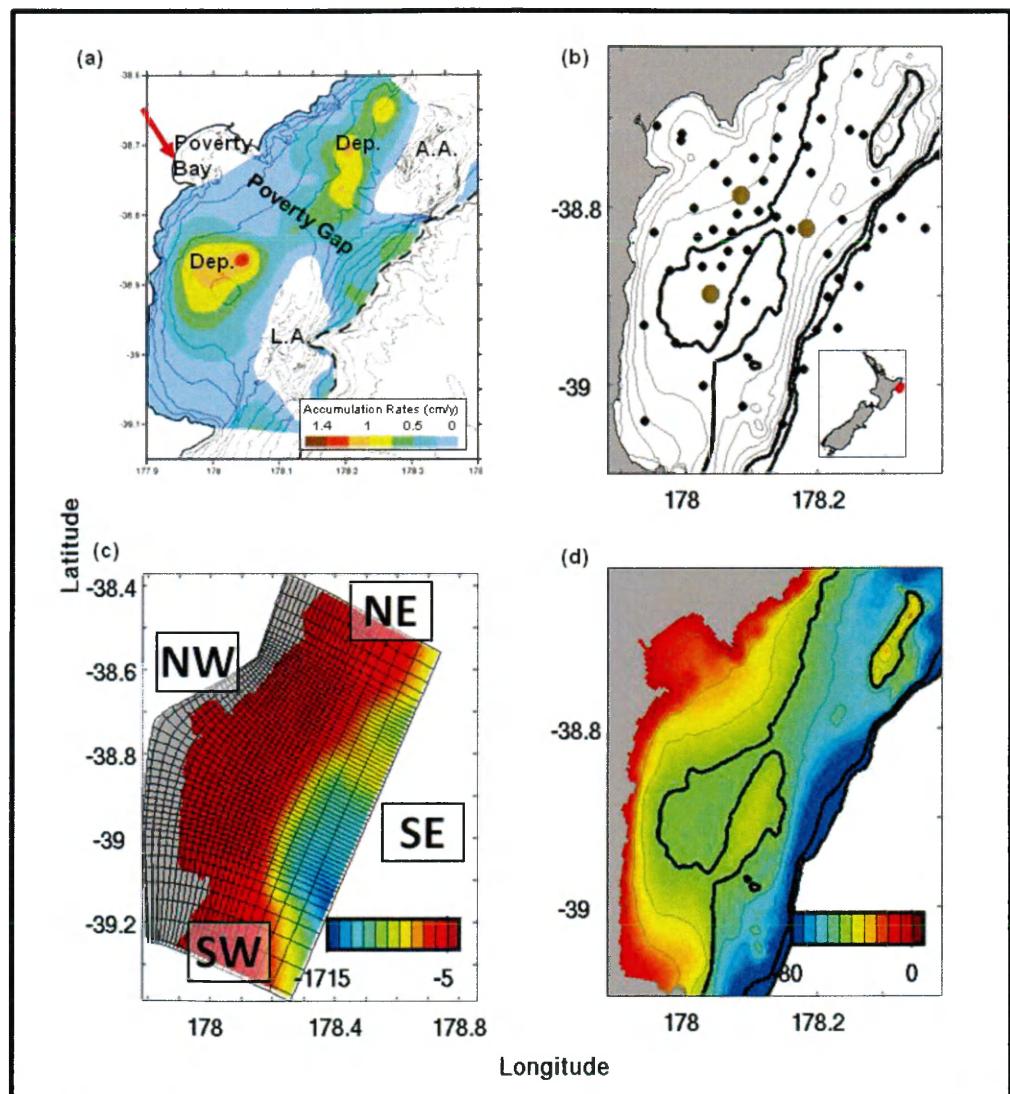


Figure 2-2: Sediment within active layer

Shows time-averaged (a) mass of sediment within the active layer and (b) mass of riverine sediment within the active layer. Colorbar in (b) is for both panels. To obtain estimated active layer thickness in millimeters, assuming a sediment density of 2650 kg m^{-3} and a porosity of 0.9, multiply the figure's colorbar by $3.8 \text{ m}^3 \text{ kg}^{-1}$.

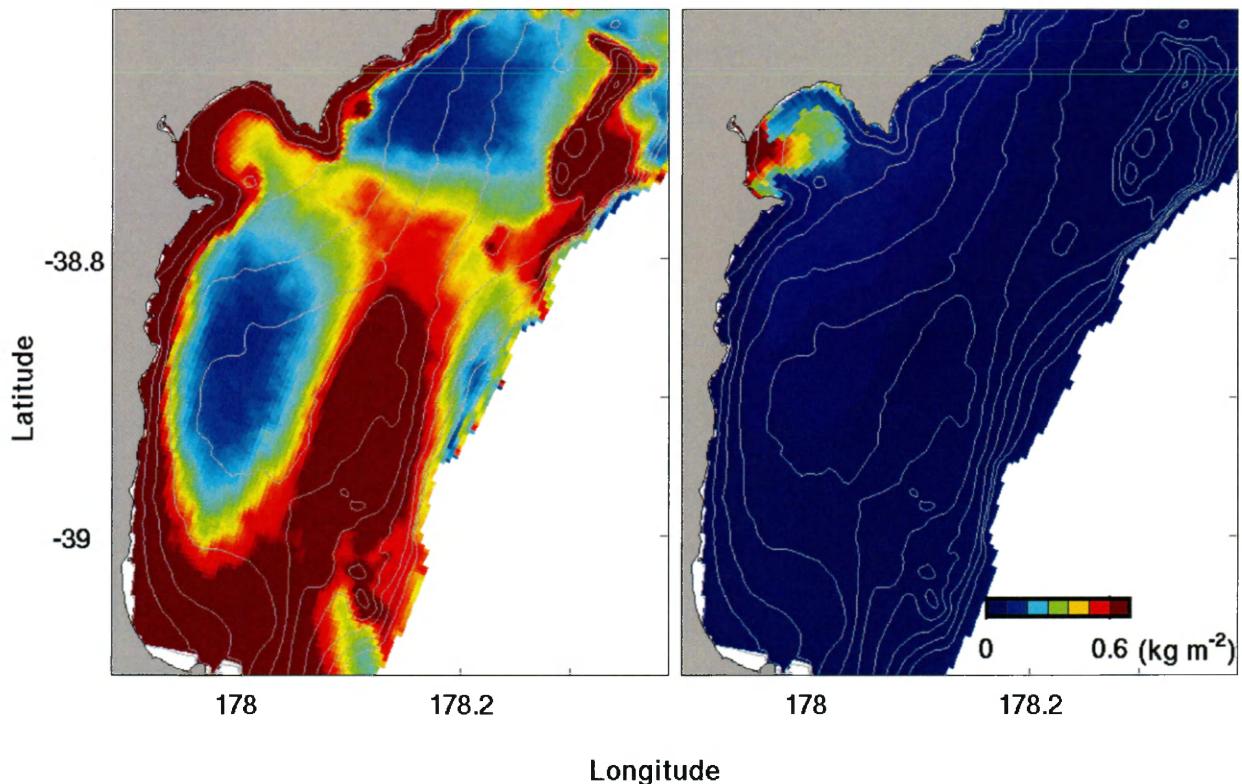


Figure 2-3: Bathymetric map of the larger-scale model NZ-ROMS

Bathymetric map of larger grid used by NZ-ROMS covering the eastern half of North Island, New Zealand. Black box shows approximate extent of the Waipaoa shelf model. Note that the X direction is oriented Northeast, the Y direction is oriented to the Northwest, and bathymetry is given in meters.

Figure slightly modified by one provided by Mark Hadfield, NIWA.

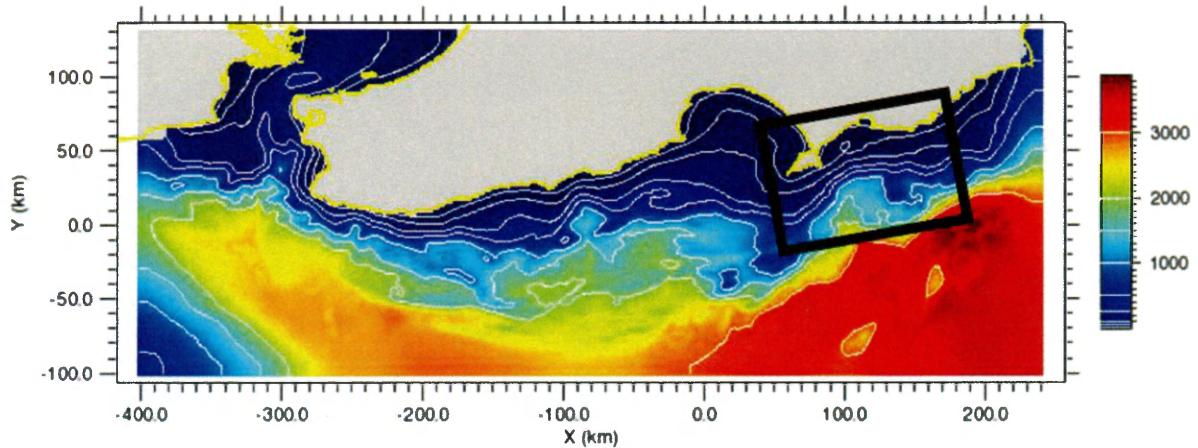


Figure 2-4: Coverage of bathymetric datasets near Poverty Bay mouth

The NIWA contours also act as 10 m bathymetric contours. Note that the NIWA contours and multibeam data provided by S. Kuehl extend onto the continental shelf and slope.

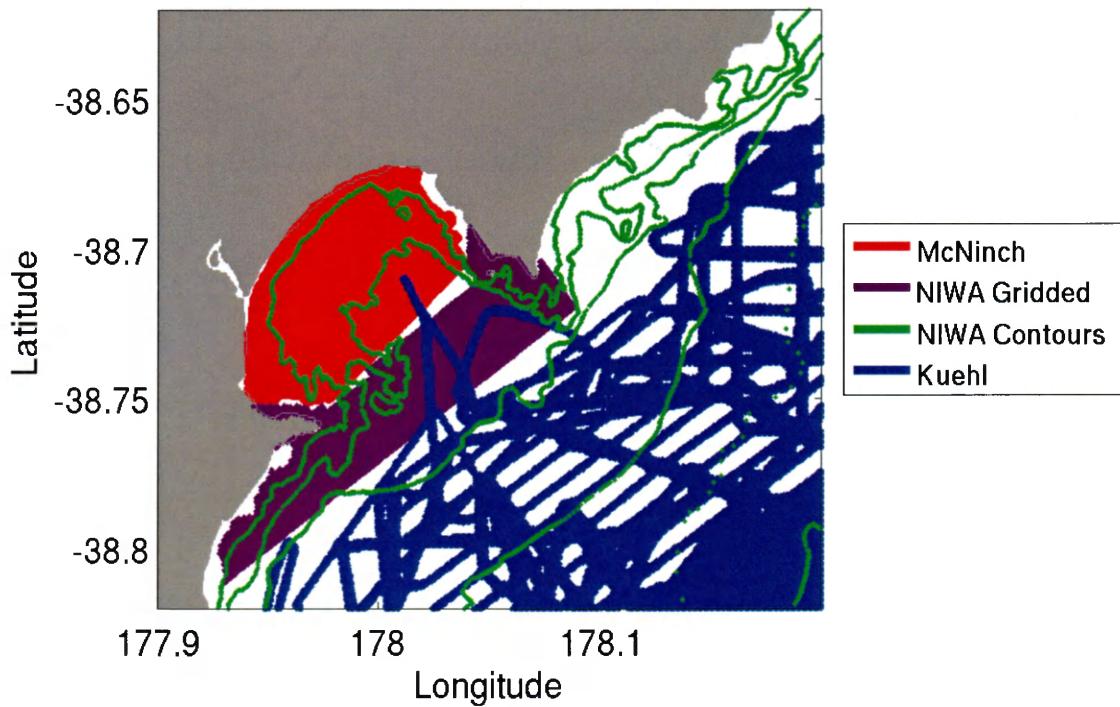


Figure 2-5: Timeseries of weather conditions on Waipaoa Shelf

(a) River and (b) sediment discharge from Gisborne District Council, New Zealand, (c) modeled significant wave height from NZWAVE, (d) modeled wind speed from NZLAM, and (e) modeled depth-averaged tidally-filtered current speed from ROMS-NZ. Wave and wind time-series are averages over the model domain. Currents are model estimates made for a location near the shallow tripod site (see Figure 1b). Grey boxes identify events analyzed in Chapter 3.

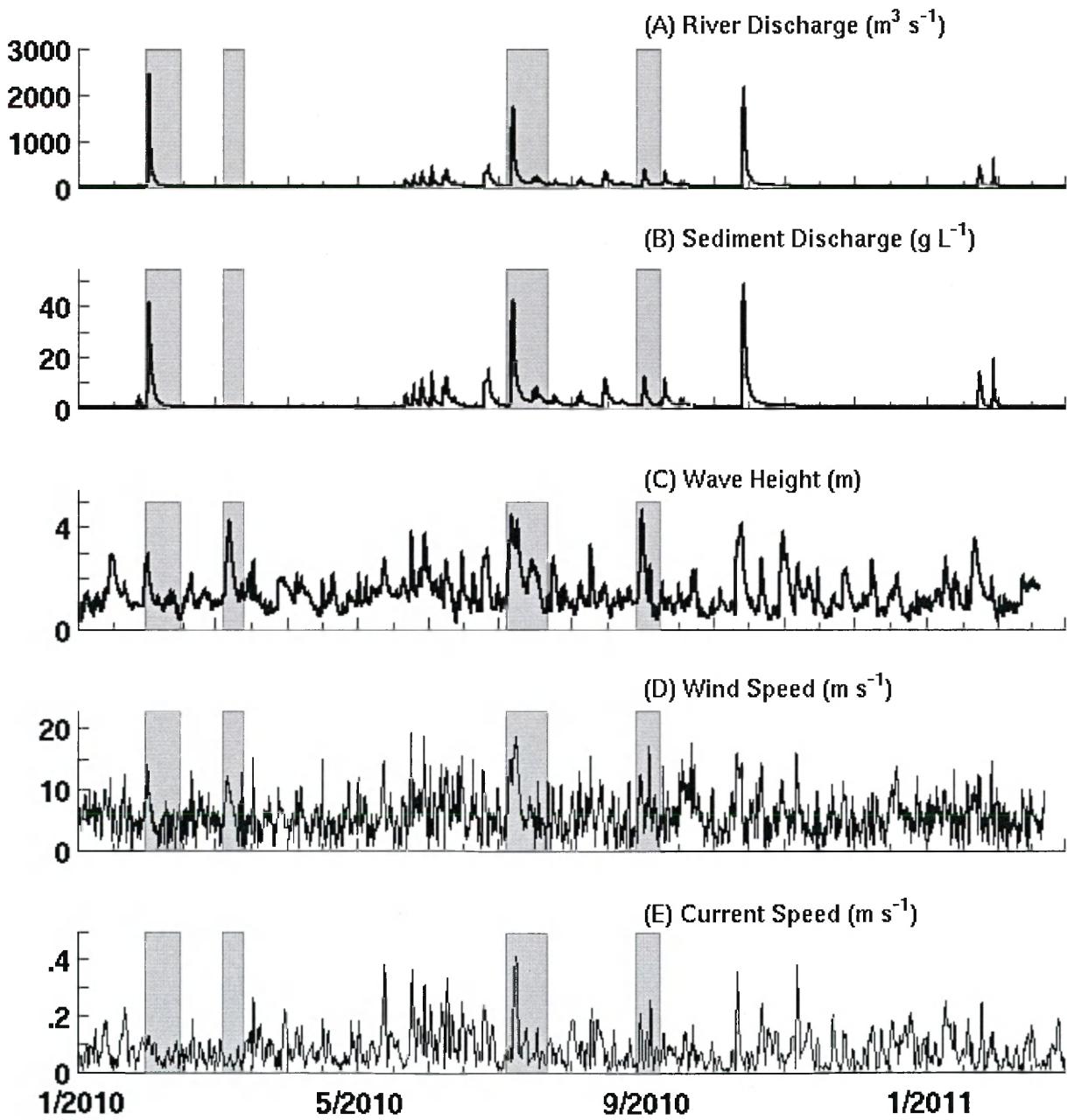


Figure 2-6: Vertical profile of river input

Shows the partitioning of momentum, fresh water, and river sediment at river mouth.

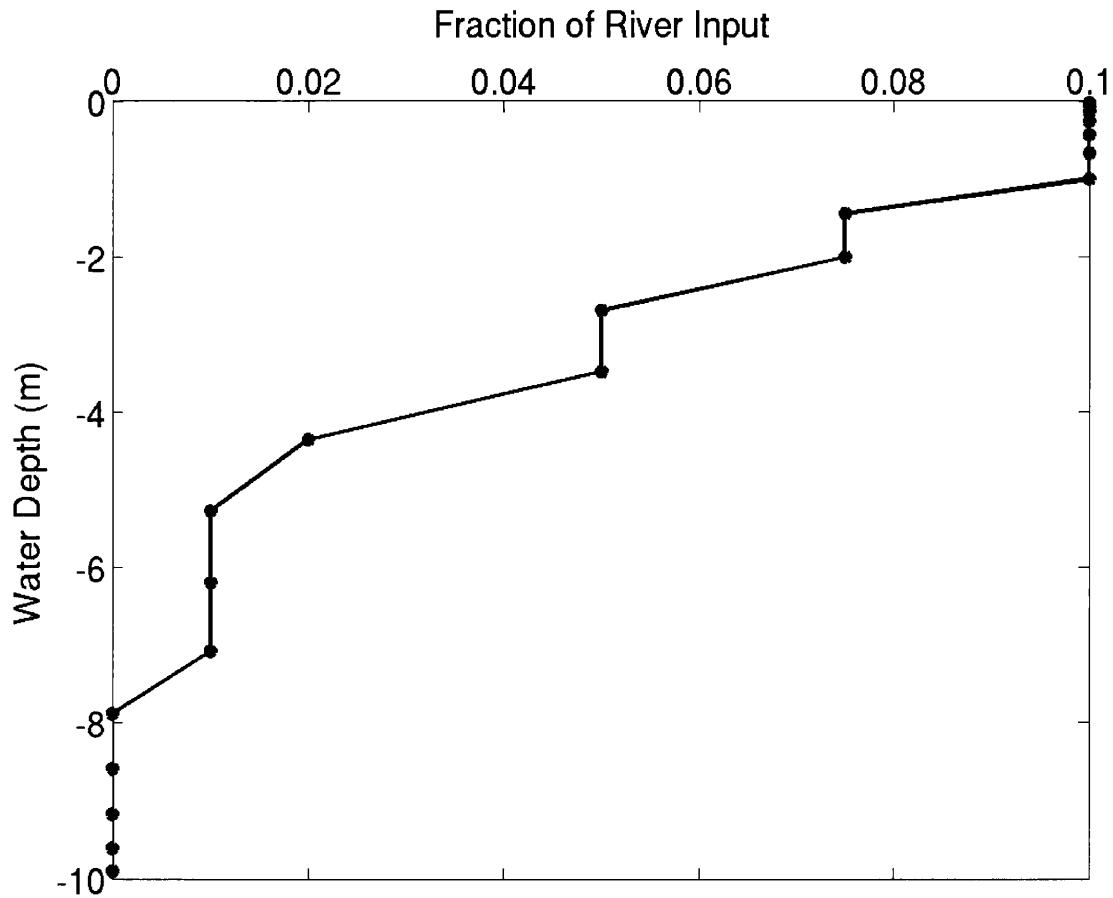
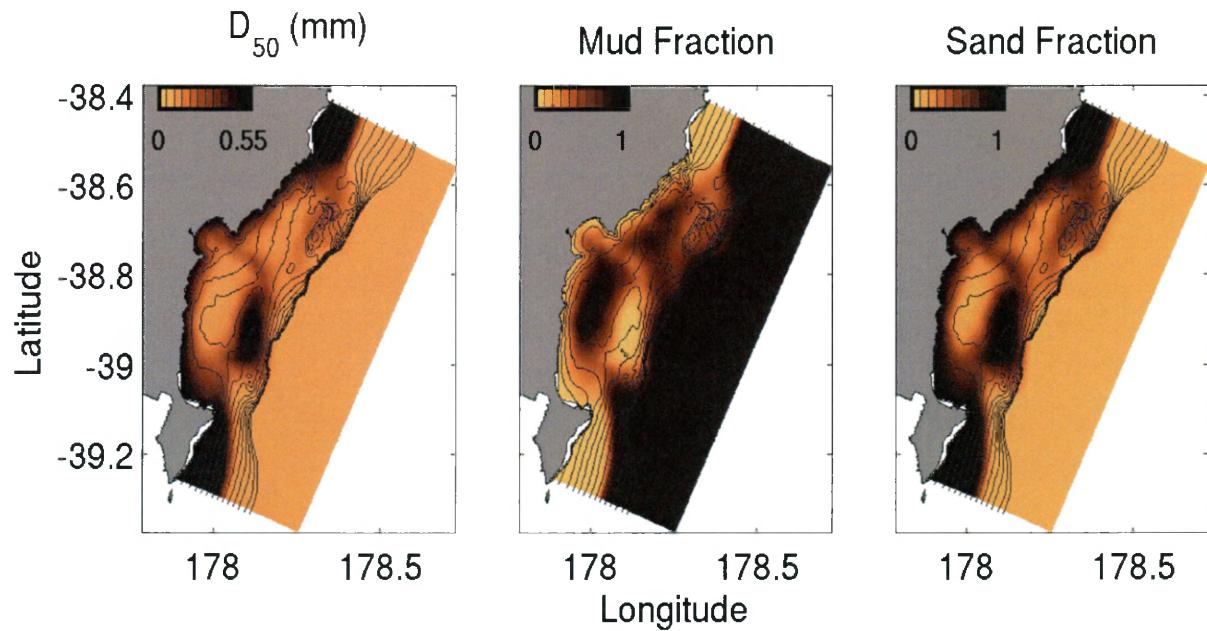


Figure 2-7: Initial sediment distribution

Shows (a) median grain size, and fraction of (b) mud and (c) sand, respectively.



CHAPTER 3: Event – to – Seasonal Sediment Dispersal on the Waipaoa River Shelf, New Zealand: a Numerical Modeling Study

3.1 Abstract

The formation of the geologic record offshore of small mountainous rivers is event-driven and, compared to other environments, results in relatively complete sequences. One such river, the Waipaoa in New Zealand, has been studied from its terrestrial source to its oceanic sink over timescales spanning storms, seasons, and the Holocene. This study complemented other efforts by comparing the formation of riverine deposits on the Waipaoa Shelf during episodic flood and wave events to accumulation patterns created over thirteen months. Sediment fluxes and fate were estimated using a numerical hydrodynamic and sediment transport model (ROMS-CSTMS). During the study period (January 2010 – February 2011), event sedimentation on the Waipaoa shelf differed from accumulation patterns, especially over relatively short timescales. Initial deposition generally occurred near the river mouth and along the coast in water shallower than 30 m. In the days to months following a flood pulse, waves reworked this deposit, preferentially resuspending sediment from shallow depths and redistributing it toward deeper areas having lower near-bed wave stresses, including shelf depocenters and offshore. Overall, accumulation depended on characteristics of oceanographic transport (wave energy, current velocities) as well as source (flood size, sediment size distribution).

3.2 Motivation

Flood deposits comprise significant components of the geologic record on river-dominated margins, but may be reworked by physical and biological processes following emplacement (e.g. Wheatcroft et al.,

2007). This resuspension and redistribution of fluvial sediment can erase flood deposits from the stratigraphic record and reduce the role of flood deposits as carbon sinks (Wheatcroft and Drake, 2003; Blair et al. 2004). Although depositional and erosional processes act on a variety of timescales, Sadler (1981) showed that short-term accumulation rates typically exceed those representing longer timescales because the seabed does not directly record erosion and non-deposition. The marine geologic record is therefore incomplete (e.g. Orpin et al., 2009), complicating interpretation of seabed observations. Here, we complement previous studies by investigating how patterns of fluvial accumulation, or net deposition, change on short timescales, from days to months.

Recent studies have shown that geologic records offshore of small mountainous rivers, such as the Waipaoa River, New Zealand, may have relatively good fidelity (e.g. Sommerfield and Nittrouer, 1999; Wheatcroft et al., 2007; Blair et al., 2004; Brackley et al., 2010). Certain characteristics of these river-dominated active margins, e.g. the rivers' small drainage basins, high sediment yield, and steep slopes, help to coherently deliver flood signals from terrestrial events to the coastal ocean (Milliman and Syvitski, 1992; Wheatcroft, 2000). Upon reaching the continental shelf, steep slopes and energetic waves and currents may help transport sediment quickly to deeper sites where resuspension is less likely (Wheatcroft, 2000; Warrick and Milliman, 2003; Traykovski et al., 2000).

Despite the relatively good fidelity and terrestrial influence of stratigraphic records on river-dominated margins, these deposits reflect physical and biological reworking by oceanographic processes, in addition to flood magnitude and characteristics. Energetic waves and currents can resuspend fine sand

and mud to mid-shelf water depths and beyond (e.g. Bever et al., 2011; Ma et al., 2008; Drake and Cacchione, 1985), and sediment may be redistributed as dilute suspension (e.g. Sherwood et al., 1994; Drake, 1999, Harris and Wiberg, 2002), or gravity flows (Ma et al., 2008; Ma et al. 2010; Traykovski et al., 2000; Traykovski et al., 2007). Disturbances from benthic organisms may also modify sediment bed properties and erase deposit characteristics, e.g. through bioturbation (Drake, 1999; Bentley and Nittrouer, 2003; Wheatcroft, 1990).

The importance of biological and physical reworking for event layer preservation varies with depth into the seabed and water depth. For instance, both biological and physical processes act primarily on near-surface sediments, so rapid burial of event layers enhances the preservation of distinct beds in the geologic record (Wheatcroft, 1990; Bentley and Nittrouer, 2003; Wheatcroft and Drake, 2003). Similarly, wave orbital velocities attenuate with water depth, so waves more effectively resuspend sediment in shallow water (e.g. Harris and Wiberg, 2002). The spatial and temporal variations in all of these processes affect sediment fluxes, and are an important control on the preservation of flood beds. Thus, this study investigated the role of physical reworking on the formation of flood deposits on the Waipaoa River continental shelf, New Zealand.

3.2.1 Waipaoa Source-to-Sink Studies

NSF's MARGINS program chose the Waipaoa, a small mountainous river in New Zealand, as a Source-to-Sink study site for its high sediment yield, interesting marine geologic record, and because its offshore anticlines were thought to be conducive to preserving a relatively complete geologic record (see Figure 3-1, Carter et al., 2010; Foster and Carter, 1997; Gomez et al., 2004, Hicks et al., 2000; Milliman and

Farnsworth, 2011). The Waipaoa River has one of the Earth's highest sediment yields, about 6800 tons $\text{km}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ (Milliman and Farnsworth, 2011; Griffiths and Glasby, 1985; Hicks et al., 2004), with even larger yields of 17,340 tons $\text{km}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ in its upstream catchment (Walling and Webb, 1996). Previous studies, described further in Section 3.2.2, observed temporary storage of fluvial sediment in Poverty Bay (Bever et al., 2011; Bever and Harris, submitted) and also long-term accumulation in shelf depocenters (Miller and Kuehl, 2010; Gerber et al., 2010). Past studies also indicated that physical processes (e.g. resuspension by waves, gravity-driven transport) likely affected variations (e.g. grain size, carbon signature) within the Waipaoa shelf geologic record (Bever, 2010; Brackley et al., 2010; Carter et al., 2010). However, transport processes have only recently been studied on the Waipaoa shelf. Questions remain about how physical processes drive sedimentation and how short-term deposition differs from long-term accumulation.

The Waipaoa Shelf Initiative was funded to look at the formation, reworking, and preservation of flood deposits on the continental shelf over the course of a year (Walsh et al., 2009; Kniskern, 2010). From January 2010 – February 2011, the Waipaoa Shelf Initiative led four scheduled research cruises and one rapid response following the January 31, 2010 flood to deploy tripods and collect seabed and hydrodynamic observations (see Figure 3-1b). Measurements included current velocities, wave properties, suspended sediment concentrations, seabed elevation, and seabed radioisotope profiles. This numerical modeling study complemented the measurements made during the field program by analyzing estimated sediment fluxes and deposition during two floods, subsequent wave events, and the thirteen month field season in its entirety.

3.2.2 Waipaoa Sedimentary System (WSS)

The Waipaoa River, a small mountainous river with a highly erodible catchment, delivers sediment to the coastal ocean primarily during floods (Orpin et al., 2006; Hicks et al., 2000). Sediment sources vary depending on river conditions and precipitation, with landsliding and gullying dominating during high- and low-flow conditions, respectively (Hicks et al., 2000). Primarily muds ($D_{50} = 8.5 \mu\text{m}$ during floods) are transported in suspension, although sands comprise about one percent of the load (Hicks et al., 2004; Orpin et al., 2006). Despite a very high sediment yield, hyperpycnal plumes do not seem to occur very often, with an approximate recurrence interval of ≥ 40 years (Hicks et al., 2004). Large floods occurred during the Waipaoa Shelf Initiative's field program on January 31 and July 6, 2010, however, representing the 5th and 14th largest discharges in the forty-four years of observations provided by the Gisborne District Council (GDC). Riverine sediment concentrations during their peaks were estimated to slightly exceed 40 g L^{-1} based on recent rating curves provided by the GDC. On century-long timescales, about 25% of Waipaoa riverine sediment seems to remain on the shelf (Miller and Kuehl, 2010), but the sediment budget for shorter timescales has not been estimated.

Observed sedimentation on the shelf indicates that event-scale deposition differs from patterns of long-term accumulation. During the 2010 field season, for instance, recent depositional patterns varied among the five research cruises. Depending on the timing of the research cruise relative to recent conditions, ^{7}Be ($\tau_{1/2} = 53.3$ days) inventories indicated high deposition near the river mouth in Poverty Bay, on the inner to mid shelf near the entrance to Poverty Bay, and/or in depocenters identified by Miller and Kuehl (2010) and Orpin et al. (2006). Similarly, numerical model estimates indicated that some portion of riverine sediments delivered by floods would be retained in Poverty Bay for several

days before swell wave events resuspended them, and allowed currents to transport them to the shelf (Bever and Harris, submitted). Over century to Holocene timescales, grain size measurements, ^{210}Pb ($\tau_{1/2} = 22.3$ years) accumulation rates, and geophysical mapping identified two mid-shelf (40 – 70 m) depocenters bordered by anticlines on their seaward edge, and separated from each other by an area of low accumulation called Poverty Gap; (see Figure 3-1) (Foster and Carter, 1997; Miller and Kuehl, 2010; Orpin et al., 2006). Even in areas of high accumulation, however, event layers may be destroyed by biological reworking, and Rose and Kuehl (2010) found biologically-dominated seabed facies ~25 km from the river mouth to the shelf break.

The weather systems and hydrodynamics driving sediment suspension and transport on this margin are highly variable. Energetic waves and winds on the Waipaoa shelf generally coincide with southward-travelling storms that also cause river floods (Orpin et al., 2006). Although winds are predominantly from the north-northwest (seaward), winds associated with these storms are typically easterly (landward) and then rotate and become westerly (seaward) (Stephens et al., 2000; Orpin et al., 2006). While winter is the stormy season, some of the largest historical floods have happened during other times of year (Orpin et al., 2006). For example, the largest recorded flood, Cyclone Bola, occurred in March, 1988 and one of the biggest floods of our study period was in late January, 2010.

During the 2010 field season, shelf current velocities generally flowed along shore. The tripod deployed at 40 m water depth recorded time- and depth-averaged velocities of 1.6 cm/s to the NE and a mean speed of 26.3 cm/s that switched direction often (data obtained from A. Ogston and R. Hale, University

of Washington). Several factors may influence currents, including a northward coastal current, coastally-trapped waves, and southward-traveling eddies (Chiswell, 2000; Wood, 2006; Hadfield, pers. comm., 2010; Stephens et al., 2000; Chiswell and Roemmich, 1998; Chiswell, 2005). In Poverty Bay, the river plume drives counter-clockwise circulation (Stephens et al., 2000; Healy et al., 1998; Bever et al., 2011). Waves generally travel from the southeast into Poverty Bay, and have average periods of 9–10 seconds, and significant wave heights of 0.8 – 0.9, although longer-period swell waves also propagate onto the shelf from the Southern Ocean (Bever et al., 2011; Smith, 1999). Waves dominate bed shear stresses at the study site, which were estimated to exceed 0.1 Pa (a typical threshold for suspension of fine-grained sediment on continental shelves; Ferre et al., 2010; Wiberg et al., 1994; Kachel and Smith, 1989) 58% of the time at the Southern Depocenter tripod during the 2010 deployments (bed stress data provided by A. Ogston and R. Hale, University of Washington).

In context, the 2010 field season was a relatively wet year for the WSS (Orpin, pers. comm., 2011), with multiple floods and periods of high discharge (wet storms) in addition to wave events that did not coincide with precipitation or discharge (dry storms). These events included a flood with relatively low waves on January 31, 2010, a series of subsequent dry wave events with peak shelf sediment fluxes on March 7, 2010, a flood with high waves on July 6, 2010, and a series of wet wave events with peak shelf sediment fluxes on August 31, 2010 (Figure 3-2). We used the numerical model to compare shorter-term sedimentation patterns during these events to each other and the year as a whole.

3.3 Objectives

This study addressed the following questions:

- How did shelf suspended sediment fluxes and deposition vary during a flood coinciding with relatively low waves, a series of subsequent dry wave events, a flood coinciding with high waves, and a series of subsequent wet wave events?
- How did event deposition contribute to sediment accumulation over the thirteen month study period? To what extent were initial flood deposits reworked by waves and currents?

3.4 Methods

To investigate sediment transport and deposition on the Waipaoa River continental shelf, a numerical circulation and sediment transport model, ROMS – CSTMS (Regional Ocean Modeling System – Community Sediment Transport Modeling System) was developed for the Waipaoa shelf. Model results for January 1, 2010 – February 15, 2011 were compared to data collected during the 2010 field season. Estimates of sediment flux and deposition during floods, wave events, and the year as a whole were analyzed. This section briefly reviews the formulation of the model that was described in detail in Chapter 2, and provides details of the model run implementation and analysis.

3.4.1 Model Description

ROMS, an open-source community-developed model, solves the Navier-Stokes, continuity, and tracer advective-diffusion equations (Haidvogel et al., 2000; Haidvogel et al., 2008; Shchepetkin and McWilliams, 2005, 2009). To implement ROMS for the Waipaoa shelf, a model grid was developed using multibeam estimates of bathymetry from J. McNinch (USACoE) and from S. Kuehl (VIMS; Gerber et al.,

2010), bathymetric contours and gridded bathymetry provided by NIWA, and modeled bathymetry from a lower resolution model, ROMS-NZ, provided by Mark Hadfield (NIWA; Figure 3 -1c, d). In the area of interest near shelf depocenters, horizontal grid resolution was ~450 m. Vertical grid resolution varied with water depth and location in the water column. Resolution increased in shallow water, near the bed, and near the water surface. At 50 m depth, for example, grid cells ranged from 0.24 – 4.6 m in thickness, and were 1.4 m thick at the bed.

The ROMS implementation relied on a variety of observations and model estimates (see Figure 3-2, Table 3-1). Model inputs included wind velocities from NZLAM (NZ Local Area Model; see Davies et al., 2005), and wave properties from NIWA’s NZWAVE model, a local implementation of Tolman et al. (2002). To account for larger scale shelf currents, prevent reflection of the river plume on open boundaries, and ensure model stability, the model was nested within ROMS-NZ, a larger scale New Zealand circulation model developed by M. Hadfield (NIWA). Radiation boundary conditions were used for the free surface elevation (Chapman, 1985) and depth-averaged current velocities (Flather, 1976). An oblique radiation – nudging boundary condition for depth-varying current velocities, salinity, and temperature was used, moving these variables toward values obtained from ROMS-NZ following Marchesiello et al. (2001) and Lavelle and Thacker (2008). Nudging was strongest at the open boundary and decreased sinusoidally to zero within 30 grid cells of the boundary.

CSTMS, an open-source community model developed in conjunction with ROMS, was used to estimate suspended sediment transport and deposition. As described in Warner et al. (2008), the model

accounted for advection, diffusion, erosion and deposition of sediment. Both fluvial discharge and seabed erosion provided sediment sources to the water column. Seabed erosion was calculated following the Ariathurai and Arulanandan (1978) formulation:

$$E = M(1-p) \frac{(\tau_{bed} - \tau_{crit})}{\tau_{crit}}$$

where M was the erosion rate parameter, p was seabed porosity, τ_{bed} was bed shear stress, and τ_{crit} was critical bed shear stress. Erosion was also restricted by the thickness of the active layer following Harris and Wiberg (1997). Wave- and current- induced bed stress was calculated following Madsen (1994). The density equation of state included sediment concentration to account for gravity-driven transport, but vertical resolution was insufficient to resolve a wave-current boundary layer or thin near-bed fluid mud such as has been seen on other shelves (Wright and Friedrichs, 2006).

The calculations accounted for seven sediment types and eight seabed layers (see Table 3-2). Three sources provided data used to develop the initial seabed sediment distributions: Wadman and McNinch (2009), Wood (2006) and the January, 2010 cruise (see Figure 3-1b). Four classes were used for sediment delivered fluvially. Guidance in assigning their properties was sought from data from Hicks et al. (2004) and estimates of effective settling velocity from the tripod at 40 m water depth (obtained from A. Ogston and R. Hale, University of Washington). These sources estimated a median grain diameter of 8.5 μm in the Waipaoa river during floods and effective settling velocities ranging from < 0.1 to $\sim 1 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$, with a peak at $\sim 0.1 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$ during energetic shelf conditions at 40 m water depth. Since information regarding the distribution of sediment settling velocity in the river plume was unavailable,

however, a range of reasonable values ($0.15 - 1 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$) was chosen and the fluvial sediment was logarithmically partitioned into these sediment settling classes following sensitivity tests. Other parameters such as critical shear stress and erosion rate parameter were chosen to match estimates from Optical Backscatter Sensor (OBS) measurements from the first two months of the tripod deployment and Gust erosion chamber experiments from the 2010 field season (tripod data from A. Ogston and R. Hale, University of Washington; Gust data from J.P. Walsh, D.R. Corbett, and J. Kiker, East Carolina University; Kiker, 2012). Sediment and seabed parameters are discussed further in section 3.6.

3.4.2 Model Implementation and Analysis

ROMS-CSTMS was implemented for January 15, 2010 – February 15, 2011. Sensitivity tests of the first two months (January 15 – March 15, 2010) were used to choose parameters, and then the model was run and analyzed for the entire study period (see Section 3.5.1). Estimates of waves, currents and suspended sediment concentrations were quantitatively compared to tripod data from the thirteen month field season using the correlation, variability and means of the two time-series (statistics presented in Table 3-3; time-series presented in Figures 3-3, 3-4). This comparison used model estimates from the grid cell located closest to the tripod location. The observations, provided by A. Ogston and R. Hale, University of Washington, were derived from Acoustic Doppler Current Profiles (ADCP; current velocities), Acoustic Doppler Velocimeters (ADV; wave orbital velocity, wave frequency), and Optical Backscatter Sensors (OBS; suspended sediment concentrations). ROMS estimates of bed shear stress were compared to values derived following Madsen (1994) that relied on the tripods' observed velocities. More qualitative analyses compared spatial patterns of modeled deposition to seabed radioisotope inventories.

Spatial and temporal variations in sediment transport and deposition on the Waipaoa shelf were analyzed for the entire thirteen month field season, then transport during specific episodes were considered including two large floods, and subsequent wave events (Figure 3-2). The first flood peaked on January 31, 2010, and was characterized by relatively low waves. A period of dry wave events followed this flood, including large waves on March 7, 2010 when orbital velocities exceeded the thirteen-month average by a factor of 1.5 (Table 3-4). The second flood considered here, a more typical winter storm, peaked on July 6, 2010, with high waves coinciding with peak discharge. A series of moderate discharge and wave events followed this, including an episode on August 31, where orbital velocities almost reached 1.5 times the thirteen-month average (Table 3-4). Sections 3.5.2 and 3.5.3 analyze estimated sediment transport and sedimentation patterns during these individual events, and compare them to fluxes and accumulation over the thirteen month model run. Although model calculations included both fluvial and seabed sediments, the analysis presented here focused on the transport and fate of the riverine material, unless otherwise noted.

3.5 Results

The model was first evaluated with respect to both water column and seabed measurements. Then, the hydrodynamic climate and sediment dispersal patterns were described for the 2010 study period as a whole and for specific high-energy events.

3.5.1 Model Evaluation

Both the modeled and observed currents varied spatially and frequently reversed direction, but the model underestimated water speeds (Figures 3-4, 3-5). For the most part, depth- and time- averaged current velocities on the shelf were oriented to the NE; at the 40 m deep tripod location, velocities in the model were directed 26 degrees east of north, slightly inshore of measured velocities that were oriented 54 degrees east of north. Although the model underestimated peak water speeds at the three tripod locations (Table 3-3), it replicated the spatial patterns of the observed time- and depth- averaged current speeds, which increased from the depocenter tripod to the shallow tripod to the deep tripod. Modeled velocities along the slope / slope break were particularly fast, while low current speeds were estimated in the lee of Mahia Peninsula, over the Southern Depocenter and in Poverty Bay. While shelf currents were generally to the NE, a counterclockwise eddy formed within Poverty Bay, as seen in observations (Stephens et al., 2000, Healy et al., 1998, Bever et al., 2011) and previous model efforts (Bever and Harris, submitted). The model developed a persistent eddy over the Southern Depocenter, consistent with observations at the tripod there that depth-averaged currents were primarily directed to the northwest and south. In addition to spatial patterns, the model estimated frequent reversals of current direction influenced by flow from the larger-scale model and occurring on a timescale of days, similar to temporal behavior in the tripod measurements (Figure 3-4). Importantly, flow direction during events discussed in this chapter were consistent with observations, including the January 31 and July 6 floods, and March 7 and August 31 wave events. During the January flood, for example, estimated and measured currents, averaging a speed of 11.6 and 16.4 cm s⁻¹, respectively, switched direction from southward to northeastward as winds shifted on February 1, 2010.

Model estimates of waves, bed shear stresses, and sediment concentrations also captured the timing of episodic events, but underestimated measurements from the field season (Figure 3-3; Table 3-3).

Underestimates of wave height and period from NZWAVE propagated to create bias in calculations of bed stress and suspended sediment concentrations. Although the models underestimated the magnitudes of waves, bed stress, and sediment concentrations these timeseries all peaked during observed wave events (Figure 3-3).

Seabed erodibility can be defined as the amount of sediment available for erosion at a given bed shear stress and the treatment of erodibility is a distinguishing factor between cohesive and non-cohesive models (see Sanford and Maa, 2001; Sanford, 2008). We used a non-cohesive formulation wherein the critical shear stress varied with sediment class, and assumed that sediments had critical bed stresses between 0.1 - 0.53 Pa. The bed erodibilty in the model therefore depended on the excess shear stress defined to be the difference between bed stress and critical stress for each size fraction. Though erosion during any one timestep was limited by the active layer thickness that scaled with excess shear stress (see Harris and Wiberg, 1997), in a general sense, we can assume that sediment classes having critical bed stress that exceeded the bed stress were erodible, and other classes were not. Erodibility was therefore under- and over- estimated during quiescent and energetic time periods, respectively. When bed stress fell beneath 0.1 Pa, no sediment could be resuspended in the model and so erodibility was therefore underestimated. Similarly, all sediment classes could be resuspended once bed stress exceeded 0.53 Pa, causing the model to overestimate seabed erodibility during energetic periods. Another way to evaluate the bed erodibility is to consider the degree to which the seabed was mobilized in the model, and the variability of modeled seabed thickness for each grid location gives an idea of how

responsive that site was to the applied bed stresses (Figure 3-6). This showed that seabed mobility was highest where fluvial deposition occurred, with “hot spots” for erosion being near the bay mouth. The gradient of high to low seabed erodibility from Poverty Bay to the depocenters compared well to erodibility estimates from Gust chamber experiments (data provided by Kiker, 2012) where the most erodible sediments were also found in Poverty Bay and the mouth of the bay (see Figure 3-7).

Patterns of erosion and deposition estimated by the model have been evaluated using seabed observations of ^{7}Be inventories (Corbett et al., 2012; Kiker, 2012; Kniskern et al., 2012; Kniskern et al., in prep; see Figures 3-8, 3-9). Overall, both the observations and model estimates exhibited high spatial and temporal variability. Areas of deposition often occurred in close proximity to areas where little or no sedimentation was detected or estimated, and the shape of the depositional footprint changed between each research cruise (Figure 3-8, 3-10, 3-11a). Both observations and model estimates generally showed enhanced deposition to either side of Poverty Gap, landward of shelf anticlines. During every research cruise, radioisotope signatures were also high in some part of Poverty Gap, consistent with model estimates that showed sediment deposits there, particularly following periods of high discharge. Often, these high radioisotope signatures and model estimates of deposition were observed at ~40 m and ~30 m in Poverty Gap, respectively. However, model estimates of deposition were generally located in shallower water than observed ^{7}Be inventories, and over-estimated accumulation in Poverty Bay, as discussed in section 3.6.

The January 31, 2010 flood accounted for most of the sediment delivered to the shelf between the research cruises in January and February, 2010, and it is worthwhile to compare model estimates of event deposition to seabed changes between the two cruises. Depositional patterns from the January 31 flood, evaluated using net gains in ^{7}Be inventories between the January 15 and February 15, 2010 research cruises, indicated riverine sediment deposited across much of the shelf (Kniskern et al., in prep.; Figure 3-9). Event deposition occurred from the northern depocenter, across Poverty Gap near the 30 and 40 m isobaths, to parts of the southern depocenter. Net losses of ^{7}Be , corrected for decay, were observed during this sampling interval in other parts of the southern depocenter and in Poverty Gap between 45 and 100 m water depth. Model estimates captured aspects of this sedimentation, including high deposition behind the northern depocenter and near the 30 m isobath in Poverty Gap (Figure 3-10a, 3-11a). However, model results indicated increased retention of sediment in Poverty Bay relative to the shelf. Also, model calculations showed millimeters of deposition in deeper areas of Poverty Gap (50 and 85 m water depth), whereas net losses of ^{7}Be indicated erosion there during this time. Also, estimated deposition near the Southern depocenter was less than 1 mm thick, while ^{7}Be was observed in sediment layers as deep as 8 cm there (Kniskern et al., 2012; Kniskern et al., in prep.). High spatial variability of shelf depositional patterns (Kiker, 2012; Corbett et al., 2012; Kniskern et al., in prep.; Kniskern et al., 2012), bioturbation, and processes discussed in section 3.6 may contribute to discrepancies.

3.5.2 Overall hydrodynamic climate and sedimentation during 2010 field season

This section analyzes system behavior as a whole, throughout the 13-month model run to gain insight into the cumulative effects of multiple flood, wind, and wave events superimposed on background conditions.

3.5.2.1 Effect of wave resuspension

Throughout the model run, wave events resuspended material previously deposited during floods, especially in shallow water. Waves traveled from the southeast onto the shelf, with an average wave height and period of 1.5 m and 8.16 s, estimated by NZWAVE. Wave-induced bed shear stresses exceeded those induced by currents by an order of magnitude (Figure 3-12), and therefore dominated the resuspension of sediment. Bathymetry exerted strong controls on wave orbital velocities and bed stresses, which were higher in Poverty Bay, Poverty Gap and the anticlines than in the long-term depocenters (Figure 3-12). Bed shear stress exceeded 0.1 Pa, an approximate threshold for resuspending sediment, 87, 38, and 19 % of the time at water depths of 20, 40 and 60 m. Even during moderate wave events, bed stresses exceeded 0.1 Pa across the shelf, including areas deeper than 150 m, although bed stresses and resuspension were still lower in deeper regions.

3.5.2.2 Effect of currents

Although waves dominated bed stresses, current velocities controlled sediment flux direction and strongly influenced its magnitude (Figure 3-10). Currents in the model were, on average, directed toward the northeast, but switched direction often, similar to what has been observed during tripod deployments (Figure 3-4). The strongest shelf currents traveled along the shelf break and along

isobaths, passing seaward of the southern anticline, through Poverty Gap, and inshore of the northern anticline (Figure 3-5). These currents dispersed sediment along-shelf in both directions, although velocities during most times of high river discharge (except the January 31 flood) were persistently northeastward (Figures 3-4; 3-10a, d; 3-13), consistent with observations. As discussed in Section 3.5.1, an eddy often formed landward of the Lachlan anticline, trapping sediment south of Poverty Gap in the vicinity of the Southern Depocenter.

3.5.2.3 Overall sediment fluxes

Resuspension by energetic waves encouraged transport of sediment toward depocenters on either side of Poverty Bay by preferentially eroding deposits in shallower areas like Poverty Bay and Poverty Gap. Dry wave events, when little freshwater and new sediment entered the model grid, were particularly effective at producing this pattern (Figure 3-10c). The effect of increased resuspension on sediment fluxes can also be seen by looking at the deposit footprint for sediment with different settling velocities. By the end of the model run, the deposit created by slower-settling sediment had two distinct shelf depocenters to either side of Poverty Gap (Figure 3-11b). Slower-settling sediment ($w_s = 0.15 \text{ mm/s}$) was also deposited preferentially in deeper water, with 75% of the sediment remaining in Poverty Bay or on the shelf located in water depths exceeding 30 m. In contrast, sediment settling at 1 mm/s formed a narrower, shallower mudbelt in front of Poverty Bay that crossed Poverty Gap. This faster-sinking sediment also settled closer to shore, with shelf sediments equally split between the inner shelf (depth less than 30 m) and deeper areas.

3.5.2.4 Overall pattern of accumulation

Over the 13-month model run, net accumulation of fluvial sediment occurred in Poverty Bay and to either side of Poverty Gap between 30 and 55 m water depth, with reduced deposition in Poverty Gap. Settling velocity strongly influenced the shape of the deposit formed by fluvial material (Figure 3-11), and sediment budgets (e.g. Table 3-5; Figure 3-14) These budgets were calculated by summing all of the fluvial sediment deposited and suspended in Poverty Bay and on the shelf at the end of the model run (see Figure 3-13b). The mass of the riverine load transported off the proximal shelf was calculated by subtracting the sediment in Poverty Bay and on the shelf from the fluvial sediment input. Slower-settling material traveled farther from the river mouth, and more was exported from the Bay and the shelf. Overall, more than 90% of sediment settling at 1 mm/s remained in Poverty Bay, and almost all of the rest remained on the shelf. For comparison, only 30 – 40% of sediment settling at 0.15 mm/s remained in Poverty Bay, 10 – 30% was deposited on the shelf, and the remainder was carried to the northeast off of the proximal shelf.

3.5.3 Sedimentation during events

Sediment transport on this shelf was episodic and dominated by large fluxes that occurred during relatively short episodes (see, e.g. Figure 3-13). This section analyzes how transport and deposition during these energetic periods responded to oceanographic and meteorological conditions by examining four distinct events.

3.5.3.1 Sedimentation during a flood with relatively low waves

During the January 31 flood, the wind- and Coriolis- driven river plume superimposed on a larger-scale southwestward shelf current, influenced sediment transport and spread sediment over a wide area. Westward winds initially directed the river plume toward the southwest, but then winds weakened and the river plume turned toward the northeast during the time when much of the flood sediment entered the shelf from Poverty Bay. Further offshore on the mid- to outer- shelf, a large-scale isobath-parallel current entrained some water and sediment from the river plume and carried it southward.

The resulting deposit was focused in Poverty Bay and along the coast to the north, with a more diffuse deposit spread over the shelf south of Poverty Gap (Figure 3-10a). Little resuspension occurred during this flood, when wave orbital velocities and bed stresses were less than half the average values. Less than one percent of the riverine load escaped the shelf, though assumptions about sediment settling velocity strongly influenced estimates of the depositional footprint. Over 99% of sediment with settling velocity of 1 mm/s remained in Poverty Bay, while 30% of sediment settling at 0.15 mm/s was exported to the shelf. Of the sediment deposited on the shelf, 50 – 75% (depending on settling velocity) settled in areas shallower than 30 m, with faster settling sediment remaining close to the river mouth, and more slowly settling material reaching deeper water.

3.5.3.2 Waves redistribute January 31 flood deposit

In the months following the January 31 flood, waves resuspended the initial deposit, and sediment deposition shifted to deeper areas. The biggest fluxes occurred on March 7, 2010 (Figures 3-13, 3-14), when large waves resuspended sediment across the entire shelf. During this time, wave orbital

velocities and bed stresses on the shelf exceeded the thirteen month average by about a factor of two. Between 2% and 30% of the initial deposit, depending on the material's settling velocity, was exported from Poverty Bay onto the shelf (Figure 3-10b, 3-14). Currents strengthened by northward winds transported this material and resuspended shelf sediment to the north of Poverty Bay, and about 1% - 25% of each riverine sediment class was carried off the proximal shelf to the northeast.

In addition to the energetic March 7 waves, small to moderate waves reworked riverine sediments throughout the period from February 14, 2010 to May 15, 2010 (Figure 3-10c). Average wave orbital velocities and bed stresses during this time were low, equaling about the thirteen-month average, but the numerous moderate wave events augmented transport from the March 7 waves. These carried an additional 0 - 15%, depending on settling velocity, of the initial deposit from Poverty Bay to the shelf (Figure 3-14). Although average currents and highest fluxes were northward, currents switched direction on timescales of days to a week so the model estimated net deposition to either side of Poverty Bay's entrance. Net erosion of the January 31 flood deposit occurred in all areas shallower than ~20 m including Poverty Bay, the coastal region north of Poverty Gap, and to a lesser extent in Poverty Gap. Net deposition occurred in deeper areas adjacent to, and generally offshore of, the initial deposit and in areas that had no initial flood deposit such as the inner shelf to the south of Poverty Bay. These smaller wave events did not export much sediment from the proximal shelf, removing only <1 - 5% of the January 31 flood load (depending on sediment settling velocity).

3.5.3.3 Sedimentation during a flood with high waves

A large flood having peak discharge of over $1700 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and coinciding with energetic waves occurred on July 6, 2010. Transport within the river plume, directed northeastward by northward winds, dominated sediment fluxes during this flood. Waves, with orbital velocities about twice the thirteen month average, resuspended previously-deposited sediment, which was carried out of Poverty Bay and along-shore toward the northeast. In the surface layer, the river plume traveled out of Poverty Bay and then primarily continued northward along the coast. Near-bed currents were generally directed in the same direction as water column velocities, but had an increased offshore component in Poverty Bay and the inner shelf when sediment concentrations were high. A portion of the newly-delivered sediment in the plume, and some resuspended material were entrained by an eddy over the Southern Depocenter.

Net shelf deposition during the July 6 flood was influenced by the river plume, eddy over the Southern Depocenter and offshore near-bed currents. Deposits appeared to the north of the Waipaoa River (up to 40 m deep), landward of the Southern Depocenter (20 – 50 m water depth), and in the deeper portions of Poverty Bay and shallow areas of Poverty Gap (20 – 35 m water depth; Figure 3-10d). During this event, 50 - 100% of flood sediment was deposited in Poverty Bay, and up to 50% was transported off of the proximal shelf to the northeast, depending on settling velocity and fraction of the flux composed of older riverine material. Settling velocity again controlled the partitioning of sediment on the shelf, with about half of the faster-settling sediment that reached the shelf settling in depths shallower than 30 m, while about two-thirds of the slower-settling sediment settled in water deeper than 30 m.

3.5.3.4 Winter storms (*discharge pulses and waves*) redistribute flood deposit

In the months following the July flood, a series of smaller discharges that coincided with energetic waves delivered sediment to the shelf and changed the deposit footprint. The largest of these sediment fluxes occurred around August 31, 2010 (Figures 3-13, 3-14), when river discharge peaked at just under $400 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$, and wave orbital velocities exceeded the thirteen month average by a factor of about 1.5 (Table 3-4). Resuspension occurred across the shelf, and near-bed down-slope currents in the mouth of Poverty Bay and the inner shelf carried sediment toward deeper areas (Figure 3-10e). Newly-delivered sediments were carried northward by the river plume during the beginning of the flood, and then offshore as winds rotated from northward to southward. Depending on settling velocity, these winter storms transferred from <1% to 20% of the riverine sediment initially in Poverty Bay to the shelf. Poverty Bay, and to a lesser extent, parts of the inner – to – mid shelf experienced net erosion (Figure 3-10e). Net deposition occurred just outside of Poverty Bay and also along the coast to the northeast. The amount of riverine sediment on the shelf nearly doubled for all sediment sizes, with net deposition focused in areas deeper than 30 m or to the north along the inner shelf (Figure 3-10e).

In addition to the August 31 storm, a series of smaller river discharge and wave events redistributed and added to the original flood deposit. The discharges together delivered $2 \times 10^9 \text{ kg}$ of sediment (~1/4 of the July 6 flood load) to Poverty Bay and the shelf. Net deposition occurred in parts of Poverty Bay, on the inner shelf to the south of Poverty Bay due to southwestward currents, and on the mid-shelf (30 – 50 m deep) to the north of Poverty Bay (Figure 3-10f). Net erosion occurred in the same parts of Poverty Bay and Poverty Gap that experienced high net deposition during the July 6 flood. Between July 20 and

September 30, 2010, the ratio of riverine sediment mass on the shelf to sediment mass in Poverty Bay increased from ~0.25 to ~0.35 for sediment settling at 0.15 mm/s.

3.6 Discussion

Wave processes and bathymetry helped explain the delivery of sediment to two distinct depocenters landward of shelf anticlines, and reduced accumulation in Poverty Gap. Attenuation of wave stresses with water depth added a seaward component to net flux since sediment was preferentially resuspended from shallow water. Zones of reduced wave-induced bed stresses occurred over bathymetric lows, and so sediment resuspension was discouraged there (Figure 3-12). These model results were consistent with observations showing that accumulation on century-long timescales occurs in shelf depocenters and not Poverty Gap (Miller and Kuehl, 2010).

Even moderate wave heights on the Waipaoa shelf created bed stress sufficient to resuspend shelf sediment and rework riverine deposits. Excluding floods, the highest sediment fluxes occurred during larger and more sustained wave events when bed stresses exceeded 1 Pascal at 40 m depth for at least a few days (Figure 3-2, 3-13). Sediment concentrations, and therefore fluxes, were also elevated following periods of high discharge which increased sediment availability for subsequent resuspension events.

Although waves preferentially resuspended sediment from shallow areas during all events, dry storms (including swell waves and local wind storms) were particularly effective at removing sediment from Poverty Gap and the inner shelf because they did not coincide with the input of new riverine sediment.

In contrast, newly delivered sediment during wet storms generally settled in or near Poverty Bay, including drapes of sediment over Poverty Gap (Figure 3-10d, e, f). The increased sediment availability near the river mouth and the relatively high bed stresses in shallow areas enhanced resuspension there (Figure 3-10), consistent with a seabed that grades from physically-dominated to biologically-dominated with distance from river mouth (Rose and Kuehl, 2010). The low background discharge of the Waipaoa River, however, limited spatial variability in salinity structure (unpublished CTD casts and model estimates) and likely limited strong spatial gradients in nutrient delivery, except during floods or to areas within a kilometer of the river mouth. Therefore, variations in ephemeral deposition and near-bed turbidity, due to fluvial supply and resuspension frequency, likely drive the transition of seabed facies from physically- to biologically- dominated.

While waves dominated bed shear stress (Figure 3-12), and thus determined the timing, and to some extent, magnitude of resuspension, current velocities influenced flux magnitude and determined net flux direction. Average currents during all events except the January flood were directed to the northeast, so buoyant sediment fluxes were also primarily in that direction. During the March 7 wave event, strong wind-driven northward currents were particularly effective at transporting sediment alongshore. In contrast, currents during the August 31 storm were directed eastward during peak waves and they were relatively weak because winds changed direction often, so fluxes were smaller and less sediment was carried off of the proximal shelf (Figure 3-14).

Model nesting within ROMS-NZ helped to stabilize the modeled currents and reduced reflection of the river plume at open boundaries during floods. Although estimated currents in both this model and ROMS-NZ were weaker than observed currents during 2010, model nesting produced fluctuations in along-shore current direction on the shelf at the same frequency as the observations. Both this study and Xue et al. (2012) found that model nesting increased along-shore currents and associated sediment fluxes.

Estimated fluxes of flood material depended strongly on the settling characteristics assumed for sediment (Figure 3-11). The sediment budget (see Table 3-5) was therefore very dependent on sediment settling velocity which was difficult to constrain with available data. Sand was not included because earlier models showed that it settled at the river mouth. For all settling velocities considered (w_s ranged from 0.15 to 1.0 mm/s), Poverty Bay retained a significant fraction of fluvial material over timescales of a single flood to months. On event timescales, the bay retained most of the faster-settling mud ($w_s > 0.5$ mm/s), while more of the slower-settling fractions ($w_s < 0.3$ mm/s) settled on shelf or were carried buoyantly off of the shelf (Figure 3-11; Table 3-5). Over the timespan of a year, initial flood deposits were redistributed. Although faster-settling material remained in Poverty Bay, some was exported to the shelf, while slower-settling mud on the shelf was either retained in the deeper areas, or carried off the proximal shelf (Figure 3-11).

Estimated deposits at the end of the thirteen-month study period (Figure 3-10g) were generally landward of the observed long-term depocenters (Figure 3-1a). One or more factors contributed to this.

First, although the temporal patterns of modeled bed stresses reflected the wave events observed during the field season, estimated stresses, suspended sediment concentrations and across-shelf currents were consistently lower than values derived from tripod observations, reducing modeled estimates of resuspension. For instance, doubling both the wave orbital velocities and across-shelf current speeds would roughly increase sediment fluxes by a factor of eight. Second, while this model accounted for gravity-driven transport, it lacked sufficient vertical resolution to represent thin near-bed gravity flows observed on other shelves (e.g. Traykovski et al., 2000; Ma et al., 2008) which seem more capable of creating thick event beds than dilute suspensions (Harris et al., 2005). Future efforts may more thoroughly investigate the role of gravitational forcing on depositional patterns on the Waipaoa shelf, perhaps using a ROMS model having higher vertical resolution, or a gravity flow model similar to Ma et al. (2010) and Scully et al. (2003).

The model neglected seabed consolidation, which also would affect the sediment budget. Bed stresses in shallow water almost continuously resuspend sediment, slowing the consolidation of newly delivered muds. In deeper water, wave agitation is less frequent, and the seabed may consolidate between wave events. Supporting this theory, measurements of erodibility from the Waipaoa shelf (Kiker, 2012; Figure 3-7) indicated that erodibility was highest and most variable in Poverty Bay and Poverty Gap (Kiker, 2012; Figure 3-7). However, while the model indicated higher variability in seabed thickness near Poverty Bay than in deeper areas of the shelf (Figure 3-6), this trend was driven by deposition, not seabed consolidation. Accounting for seabed consolidation would therefore likely increase export from shallow regions and increase retention of sediment in deeper areas of the shelf.

Fluxes on other river-dominated margins have also been strongly correlated to oceanic conditions, but not necessarily to floods. Similar to the Waipaoa margin, flooding river plumes on both the nearby Waiapu River, New Zealand and the Eel River, California, USA, primarily delivered sediment along the coast to the inner shelf (Kniskern, 2007; Harris et al., 2005; Geyer et al., 2000). As winds weakened or switched direction following peak flood, river plumes at these three sites spread further offshore, reducing along-shelf fluxes (Kniskern, 2007; Harris et al., 2005; Geyer et al., 2000). In the hours to months following floods, energetic waves and currents then resuspended and redistributed sediment that had settled from the flood plume, with some portion transported as suspended load along-shore, away from the proximal shelf (Kniskern, 2007; Harris et al., 2005). During these times, however, gravity flows also carried sediment offshore on the Eel and Waiapu shelves (Ma et al., 2008; Kniskern, 2007; Traykovski et al., 2000; Harris et al., 2005), and may have played some role on the Waipaoa shelf, too (Hale et al., 2012; Moriarty et al., 2012).

Despite many similarities, the relative role of waves and currents on the shelves, and the timing of waves and currents relative to river floods differed among the three margins. Offshore of the Eel River, gravity flows were primarily wave-supported (Traykovski et al., 2000). While similar wave-supported gravity flows were important in shallow areas (water depth less than 60 m) of the Waiapu shelf, current-supported gravity flows could carry sediment to deeper water (Ma et al., 2010), and likely played a role on the Waipaoa shelf, too (Moriarty et al., 2012). Unlike the Eel margin, where floods usually coincided with energetic ocean conditions, the Waiapu and Waipaoa margins also experience floods in times of relatively low wave energy. During a Waiapu River flood with relatively low waves, sediment settled from the river plume and rapidly deposited on the inner shelf (Ma, 2009; Kniskern, 2007). This sediment

was only resuspended and moved to deeper water when waves became more energetic (Ma, 2009; Kniskern, 2007). This timing was similar to the January 31 flood and subsequent wave events discussed above for the Waipaoa shelf, and to Poverty Bay events described in Bever et al. (2011) and Bever and Harris (submitted).

Will shelf deposits from either the January 31 or July 7 floods be preserved? These events were the 5th and 14th largest floods in the forty-four year record, with discharge peaks of over 2400 and 1700 m³ s⁻¹. Yet in both cases, waves resuspended sediment across the entire shelf within two months of the flood, reworking and redistributing the initial deposit (e.g. Figure 3-10, 3-11). Estimated riverine deposits on the shelf were thin (Figure 3-11) compared to field observations that indicated measurable ⁷Be activities as deep as 0 - ~8 cm in the seabed two weeks after the January 31, 2010 flood (Kniskern et al., 2012). Storm waves, however, were estimated to be capable of resuspending sediment (from both the seabed and riverine sediment classes) from up to 1 – 10 cm deep in the seabed, depending on bed stresses and sediment availability. These model results indicate that only thick flood deposits would be capable of being preserved throughout a winter storm season. Bioturbation will also mix the seabed (Rose and Kuehl, 2008), especially in the summer (December - February). Thus, the physical structure of these flood deposits is likely compromised, although carbon or radioisotope signatures could persist.

3.7 Conclusion

Dispersal estimates for flood sediment depended strongly on the settling characteristics assumed for the material. Poverty Bay retained most of the faster-settling sediment ($w_s \sim 0.5 - 1.0 \text{ mm/s}$) and only a low

percentage of this sediment was exported to the shelf several months after its delivery to the coastal ocean (Table 3- 5, Figure 3-11). Sediment dispersal from Poverty Bay and the shelf increased for slower-settling particles. Consolidation and swelling, neglected in this model, may also enhance export from shallow areas, where the seabed is more often mobilized, and facilitate retention on the shelf where energetic bed stresses occur less frequently, allowing the seabed to consolidate. Settling velocity also affected the shape of the flood deposit footprint. Deposits of slower settling material were more widespread than those composed of faster settling sediment because of the longer residence time in the water column.

Initial flood deposits were resuspended by waves and redistributed by currents on the Waipaoa shelf. During floods, both local winds and larger-scale currents influenced water column velocities and the path of the river plume. Energetic waves, whether occurring during or after a flood, resuspended fluvial sediment into the water column where they were dispersed as suspended load. Preferential resuspension of deposits from shallow locations encouraged accumulation in deeper water, near long-term depocenters.

Short term deposition as estimated by the numerical model, occurring over days to months, differed from long-term accumulation seen in geochronological records of ^{210}Pb . Hydrodynamic conditions varied among the flood and wave events studied, which greatly affected the shapes of resultant deposits, especially on shorter timescales. Estimates of sediment budget and deposit characteristics changed over time as shallow initial deposits were resuspended, and sediment accumulated in deeper

areas that had low bed stresses (Figure 3-12). Because transport to the final location of deposition seemed to occur in multiple steps, this implied that oceanographic transport mechanisms provide important controls on depositional patterns. That is, shelf deposition depended as much on oceanographic transport (waves and currents) as on source characteristics such as flood size and sediment distribution.

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Tables

Table 3-1: Datasets used for model initialization and forcing

Type of Data	Data Description and Source
Bathymetry to construct model grid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multibeam surveys (McNinch et al., 2008; Gerber et al., 2010 provided by S. Kuehl) Bathymetric contours provided by S. Stephens (NIWA) Historical gridded bathymetry (pers. Comm. NIWA) Modeled bathymetry of New Zealand ROMs model (ROMS-NZ; Hadfield, 2010)
Currents, temperature and salinity at open boundaries, and for model initialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baroclinic version of ROMS-NZ, provided by M. Hadfield
Wave height, direction, and period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIWA's New Zealand Wave (NZWAVE) model (NZWAVE, an implementation of NOAA's Wave Watch III model; Tolman et al., 2002)
Wind stress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIWA's New Zealand Limited Area Model (NZLAM, an implementation of the UK Met Office's Unified Model; Davies et al., 2005)
Tidal components: open boundary sea surface height and tidal velocities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tidal velocities, amplitudes and phase components from the Oregon State Tidal Prediction Software TPX07.1 global solution (OTPS; Egbert et al., 1994; Egbert and Erofeeva, 2002).
Metrological data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Air pressure, cloud cover, precipitation, relative humidity, shortwave radiation, air temperature from NIWA's National Climate Database web system (Cliflo; http://cliflo.niwa.co.nz/) at Gisborne airport
River discharge of freshwater and sediment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> River gauge measurements provided by G. Hall and D. Peacock (Gisborne District Council, New Zealand)

Sediment properties of fluvial and seabed material (diameter, settling velocity, critical stress for erosion)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hicks et al., 2004 • Wood, 2006. • ADV and OBS data provided by A. Ogston and R. Hale
Seabed characteristics for comparison to model estimates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radiometric and x-ray analysis of cores (by J.P. Walsh, R. Corbett, and J. Kiker of ECU; A. Orpin of NIWA; and T. Kniskern of VIMS)

Table 3-2: Sediment characteristics for all sediment classes

Grain Size Class	Sediment Source	% of Riverine Load	Settling Velocity (mm s^{-1})	Critical Shear Stress (Pa)	$D_{50}(\mu\text{m})$	$D_{50}(\text{phi})$
1	Seabed	--	2.4	0.1	63	4.0
2	Seabed	--	65.0	0.28	500	1.0
3	Seabed	--	125.0	0.53	1000	0.0
4	River	53	0.15	0.1	16	6.0
5	River	27	0.3	0.1	22	5.5
6	River	13	0.5	0.1	30	5.1
7	River	7	1.0	0.1	40	4.6
For all grain size classes:						
Sediment density: 2650 kg/m^3						
Erosion rate: $2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg/m}^2/\text{s}$						
Porosity: 0.9						

Table 3-3: Model evaluation statistics

Statistics calculated for all tripod deployments with available observations. There was no data for currents for the third deployment at the deep tripod, or for suspended sediment concentrations for any deployments at the deep tripod.

Parameter	R ¹	$\sigma_{\text{model}} / \sigma_{\text{observations}}^2$	Bias ³
Wave Orbital Velocity	0.63 – 0.85	0.84 – 1.35	-6.4 – -1.4 cm/s
Depth-Averaged Currents	Along-Shelf	0.02 – 0.42	0.34 – 0.73
	Across-Shelf	0.38 – 0.82	0.37 – 0.57
Suspended Sediment Concentrations	0.35 – 0.68	0.11 – 1.57	-0.206 – 0.003 g/L

¹ Correlation Coefficient

² Ratio of the standard deviation of the model estimates to that of the observations

³ Difference between the mean of the model estimates and mean of the observations

Table 3-4: Hydrodynamic conditions

Evaluated at the deep tripod at 60 m water depth for different time periods.

'Event'	Time Period	Wave Orbital Velocity (cm/s)	Bed Stress (Pa)	Current Magnitude (cm/s)	Mean Current Direction (degrees ¹)	Wind Magnitude (m/s)	Mean Wind Direction (degrees ¹)
Entire Field Season	15 Jan 2010 – 15 Feb 2011	4.30	0.06	10.4	69	6.6	-56
31 Jan Flood	30 Jan 2010 – 14 Feb 2010	2.94	0.03	11.6	-106	5.4	-173
6 Jul Flood	4 Jul 2010 – 22 Jul 2010	8.29	0.16	15.7	68	8.7	78
7 Mar Wave Event	4 Mar 2010 – 13 Mar 2010	7.94	0.11	9.4	81	7.6	81
31 Aug Wave Event	29 Aug 2010 – 8 Sep 2010	6.77	0.08	5.4	87	8.2	8.6
Period of Dry Wave Events	15 Feb 2010 – 19 May 2010	5.13	0.06	7.4	77	6.1	-89
Period of Wet Wave Events	22 Jul 2010 – 30 Sept 2010	4.36	0.05	6.3	84	6.9	-44

¹Direction is given in degrees counterclockwise from east, toward which the currents and wind are traveling.

Table 3-5: Sediment budget for riverine sediments

Grain Size Class	% of Riverine Load	Settling Velocity (mm s ⁻¹)	Percent of Riverine Load Remaining in Poverty Bay ¹	Percent of Riverine Load Remaining on the Shelf (outside of Poverty Bay) ¹	Percent of Riverine Load Transported Offshore ¹
4	53	0.15	34	21	45
5	27	0.3	58	21	21
6	13	0.5	75	16	9
7	7	1.0	92	7	1

¹ Budgets were computed as follows: the total mass of suspended and deposited sediment in Poverty Bay and on the shelf (excluding Poverty Bay) was divided by the cumulative sum of sediment entering the model grid between 1 January 2010 and 15 February 2011. The remainder of sediment was assumed to be transported offshore.

Figures

Figure 3-1: Study site on North Island, New Zealand

A. Adapted from Miller and Kuehl, 2009. Spatial distribution of ^{210}Pb accumulation rates (cm y^{-1}) with labels for Waipaoa River (red arrow), Poverty Bay, Poverty Gap, Lachlan Anticline (L.A.), Ariel Anticline (A.A.), and depocenters (Dep.). Grey bathymetric contours indicate every 10 m. **B.** Waipaoa Shelf map showing tripod locations (brown) and multi-core stations (black) from the first research cruise. Grey and black bathymetric contours indicate every 10 m up to 100 m depth and every 50 m up to 150 m depth. Inset shows location of study site in New Zealand. **C.** Waipaoa model grid showing bathymetry with gridlines. Each box indicates 25 grid cells. **D.** Waipaoa model grid showing a close-up of shelf bathymetry without gridlines. Grey and black bathymetric contours indicate every 10 m up to 100 m depth and every 50 m up to 150 m depth.

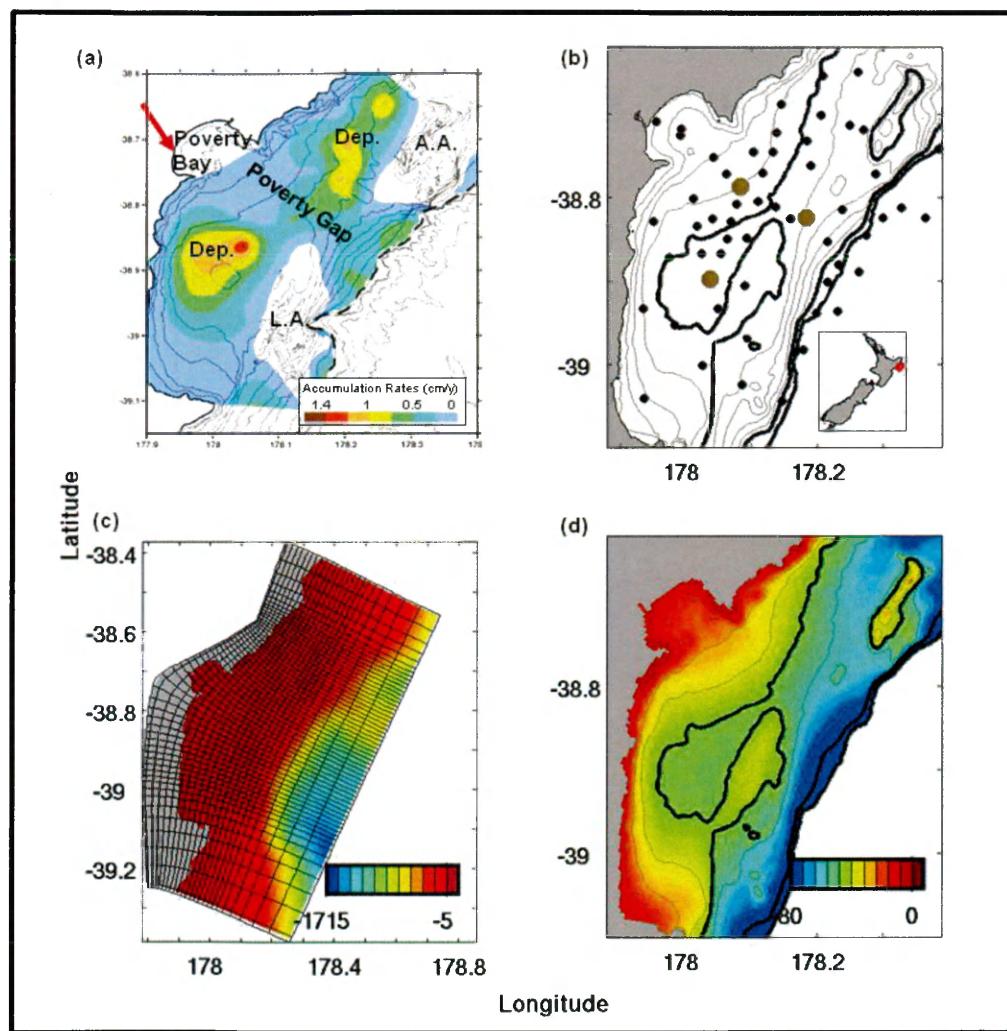


Figure 3-2: Timeseries of weather conditions on the Waipaoa Shelf

(a) River and (b) sediment discharge from Gisborne District Council, New Zealand, (c) modeled significant wave height from NZWAVE, (d) modeled wind speed from NZLAM, and (e) modeled depth-averaged tidally-filtered current speed from ROMS-NZ. Wave and wind time-series are averages over the model domain. Currents are estimates from the shallow tripod site (see Figure 1b). Grey boxes highlight the January flood (1/30/2010 – 2/14/2010), March wave event (3/4/2010 – 3/13/2010), July flood (7/4/2010 – 7/22/2010), and August wave event (8/29/2010 – 9/8/2010).

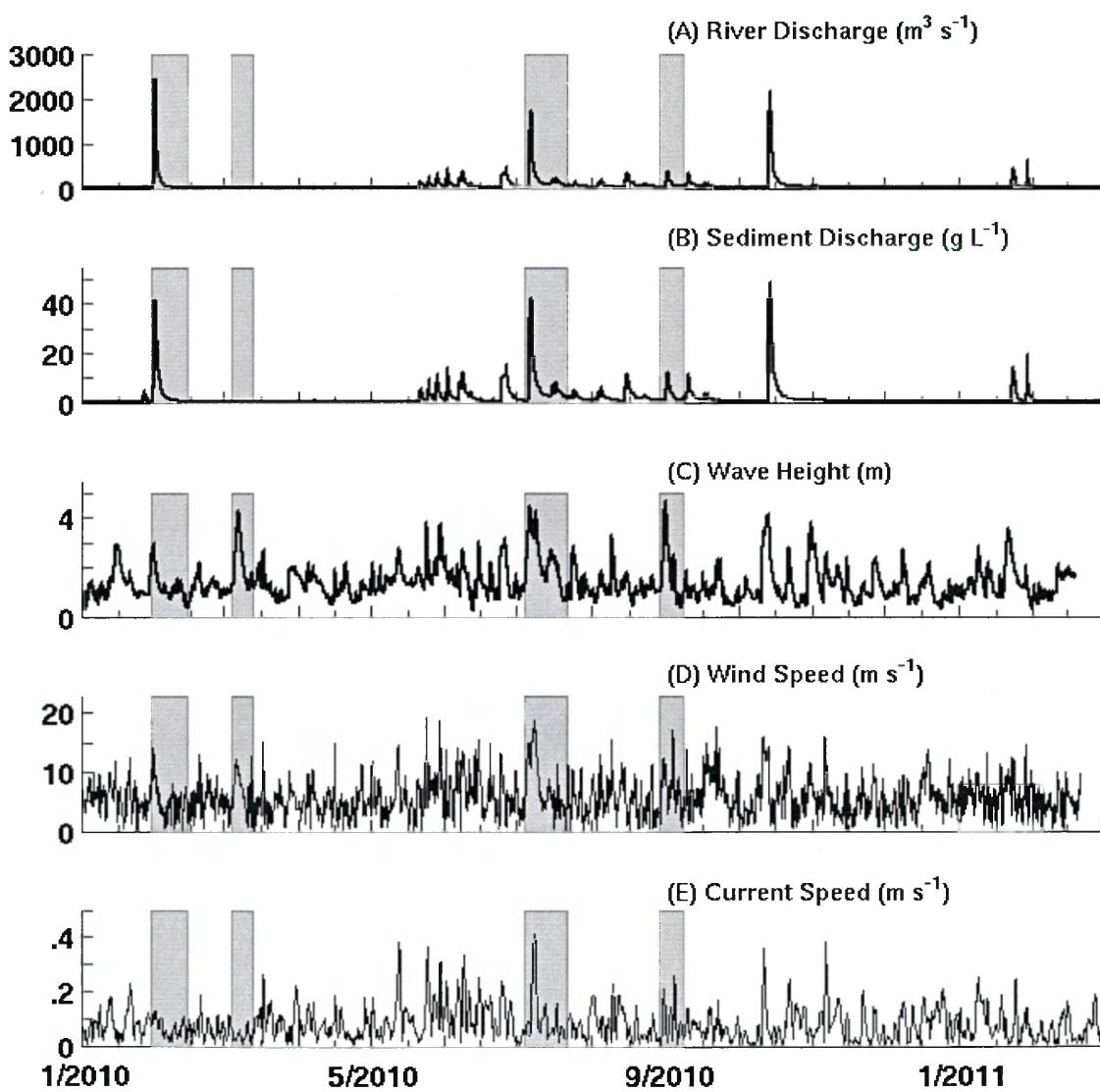


Figure 3-3: Timeseries of estimated waves, bed stress, SSC and seabed elevation

Timeseries of (a) significant wave height, (b) bottom wave period, (c) wave orbital velocity, (d) total wave- and current- induced bed shear stress, (e) suspended sediment concentrations and (f) seabed height at the shallow tripod calculated based on fluxes of fluvial and seabed material. Black lines indicate model estimates. Grey lines indicate ADV (wave height; bed shear stress) and OBS (suspended sediment concentration) observations collected by A. Ogston and R. Hale (University of Washington).

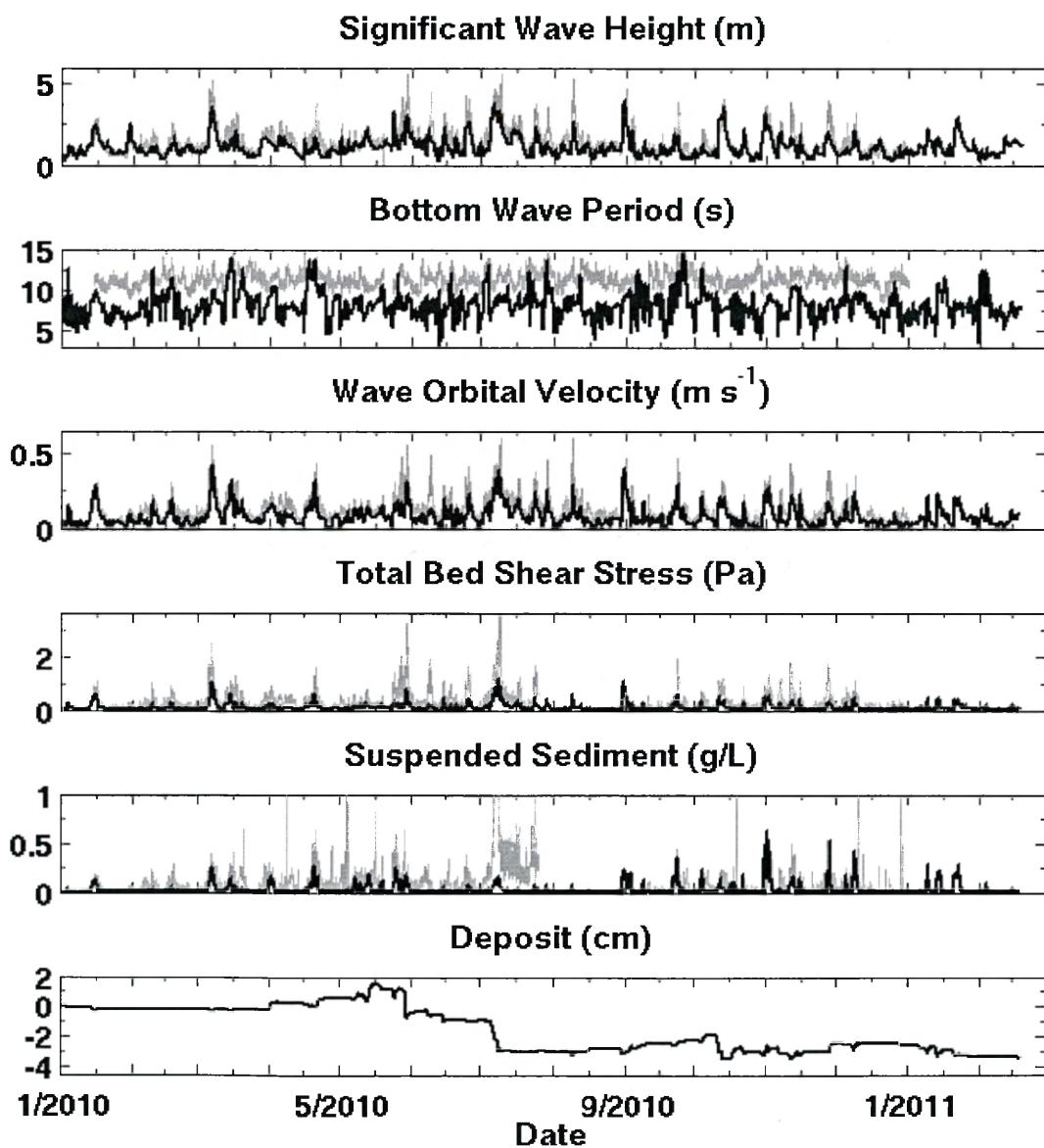


Figure 3-4: Time-series of estimated currents

(a) Along-isobath and (b) across-isobath depth-averaged and tidally-filtered currents at the shallow tripod. ADCP observations provided by A. Ogston and R. Hale (University of Washington). Grey boxes highlight the January flood (1/30/2010 – 2/14/2010), March wave event (3/4/2010 – 3/13/2010), July flood (7/4/2010 – 7/22/2010), and August wave event (8/29/2010 – 9/8/2010).

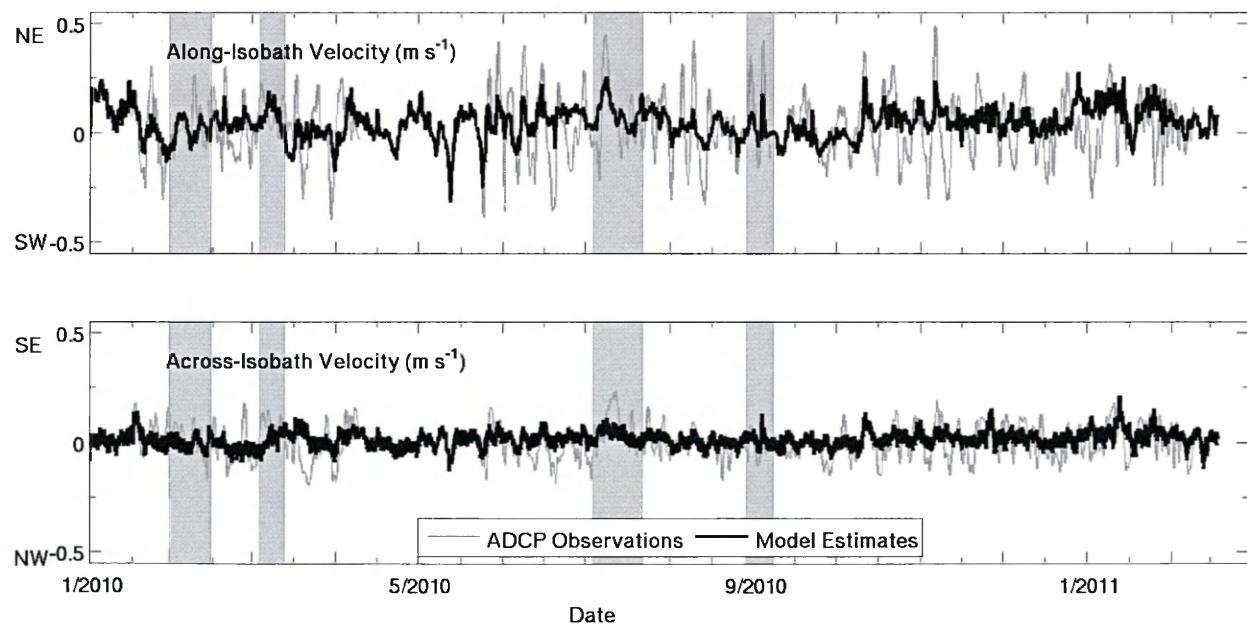


Figure 3-5: Map of estimated time-averaged depth-averaged currents

Water speed (shading) and direction (black arrows) are shown. Long blue arrows indicate observed current velocities for all tripod deployments. Black bathymetric contours indicate every 10 m.

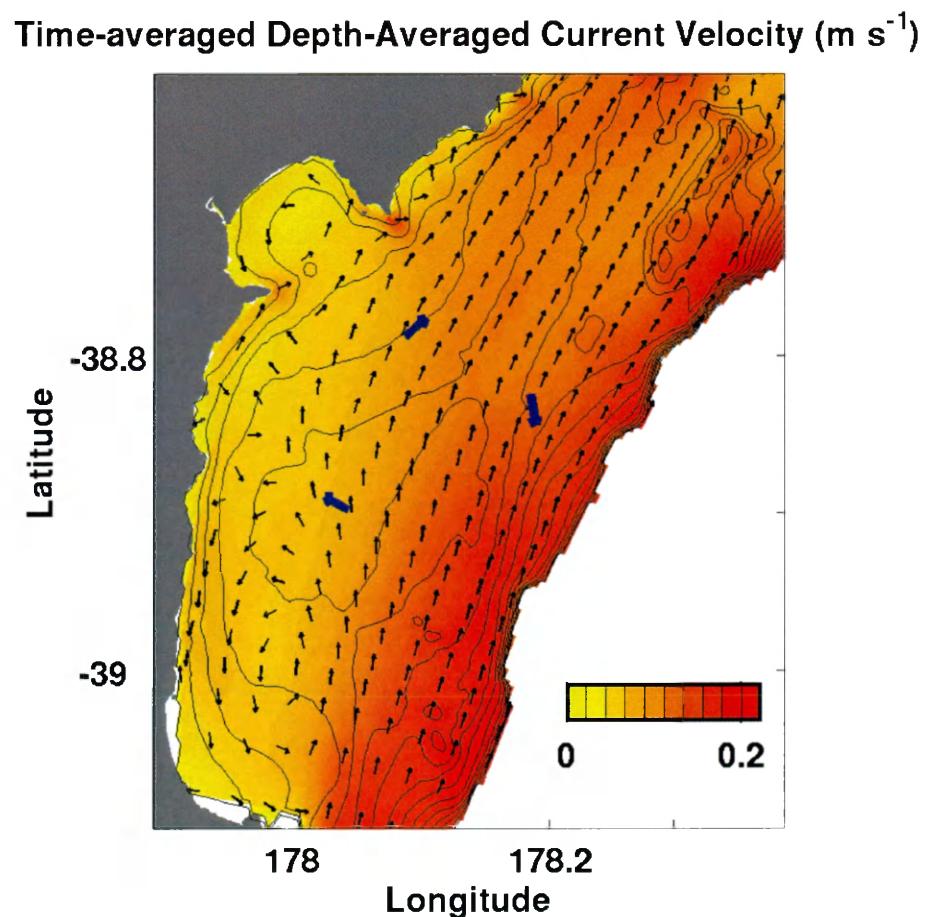


Figure 3-6: Seabed thickness variability

Time-averaged seabed thickness (left) and standard deviation of seabed thickness (right). Thickness calculations include both seabed and riverine sediment. Bathymetric contours show every 10 m water depth and highlight the 50 m, 100 m, and 150 m contours.

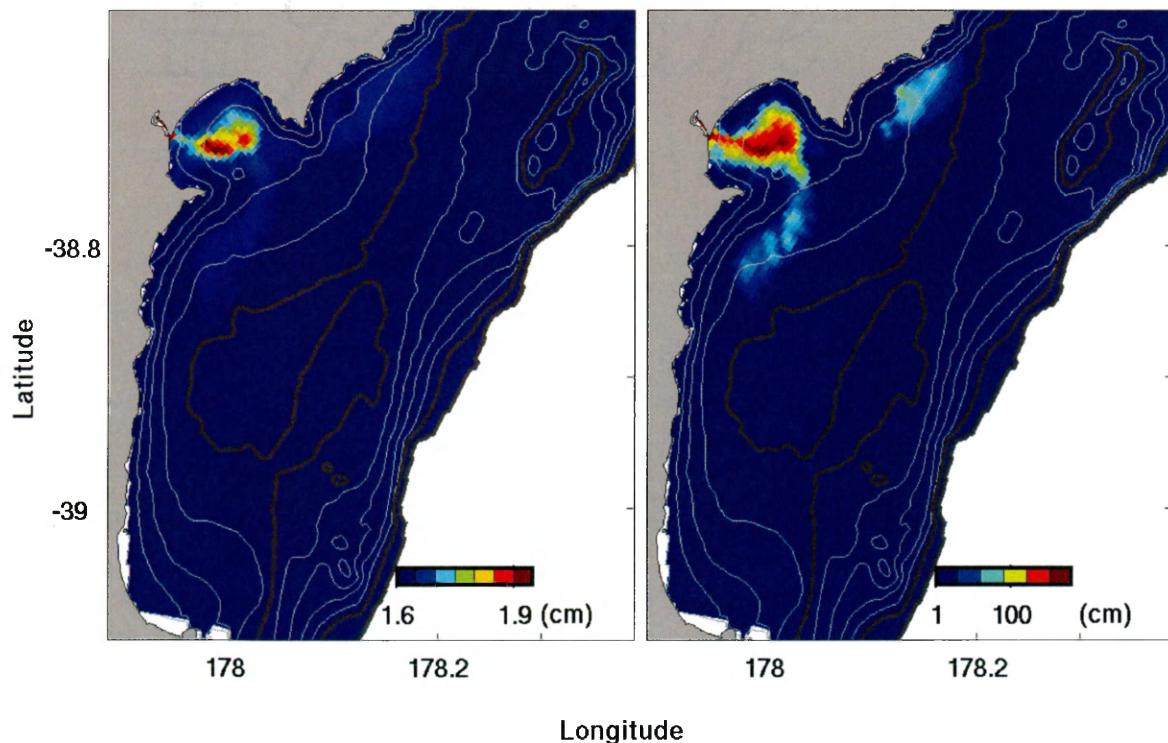


Figure 3-7: Observed seabed erodibility

From Kiker, 2012. Sediment erodibility measurements taken in January 2010 (C1), May 2010 (C2), September 2010 (C3), and February 2011 (C4). Grey bathymetric contours are every 10 m. until 100 m.

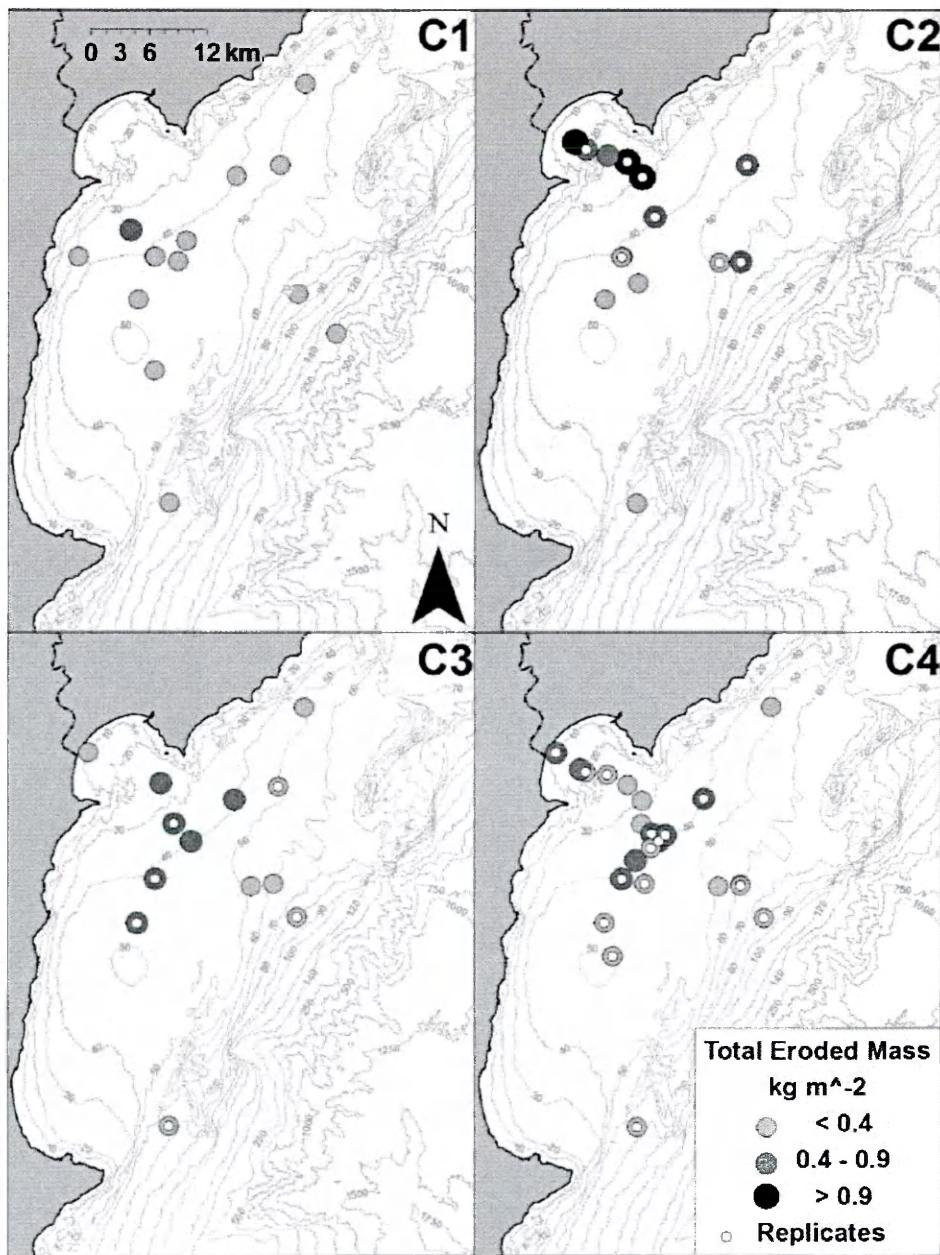


Figure 3-8: Observed ${}^7\text{Be}$ inventories

From (a) January, (b) May, and (c) September 2010 research cruises and the (d) February 2011 research cruises. Figure from Kiker, 2012.

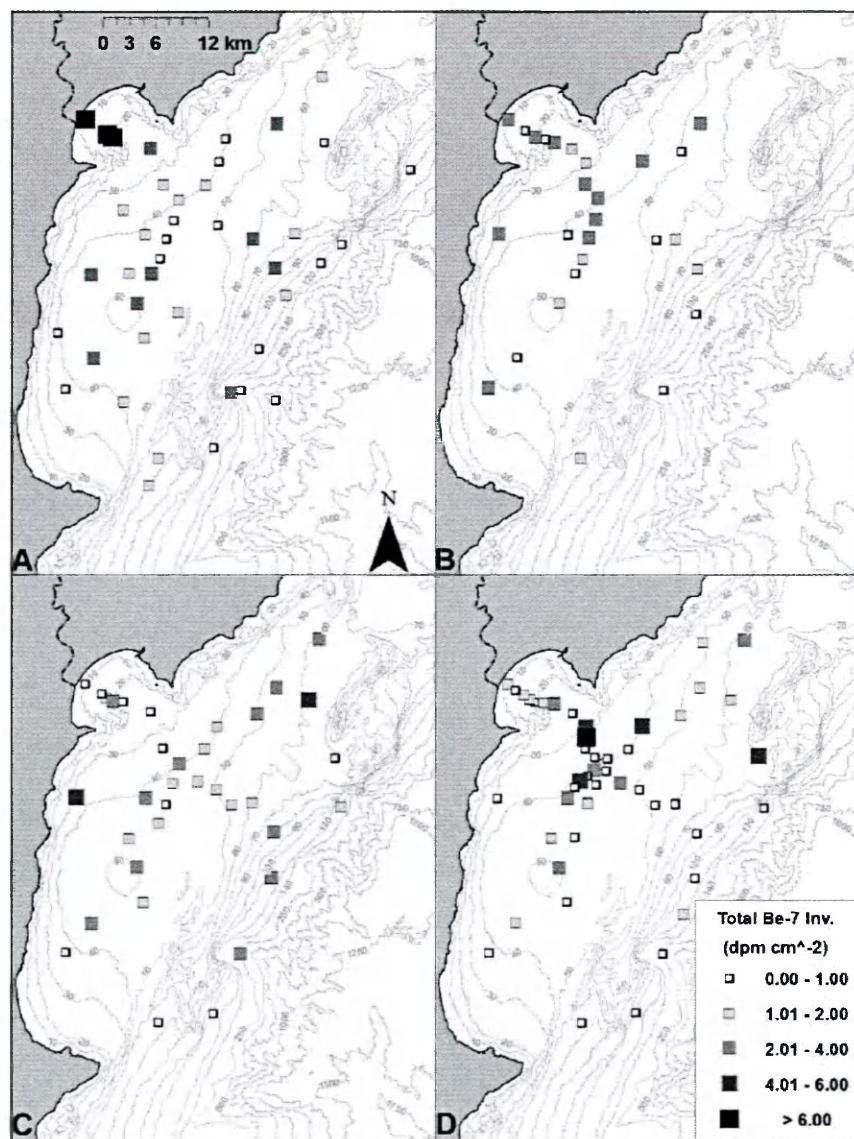


Figure 3-9: Net ^{7}Be inventories from 15 – 17 February 2010 to 13 - 20 January 2010

Positive values indicate fresh deposition and negative values indicate erosion. Figure provided by Tara Kniskern (VIMS; Kniskern et al, in prep).

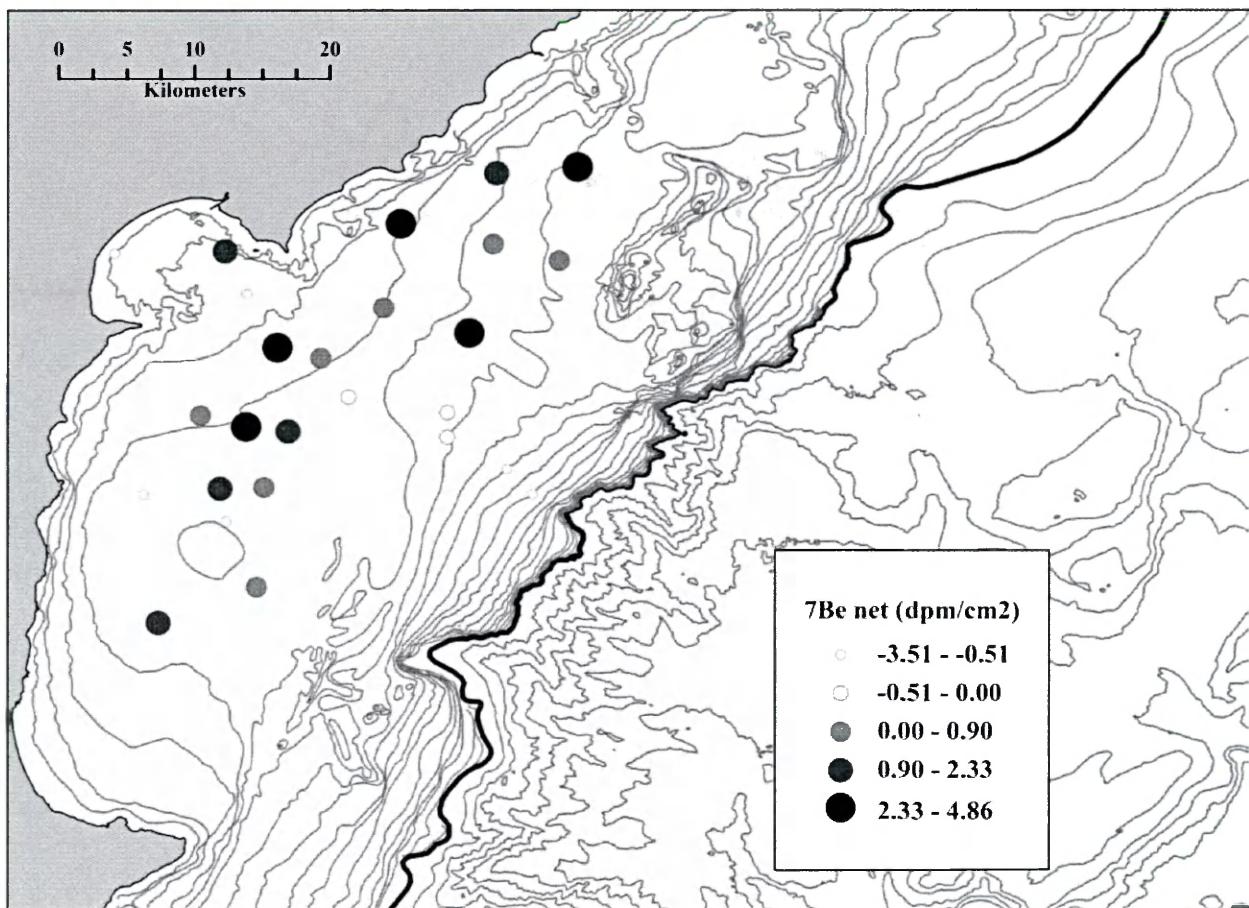
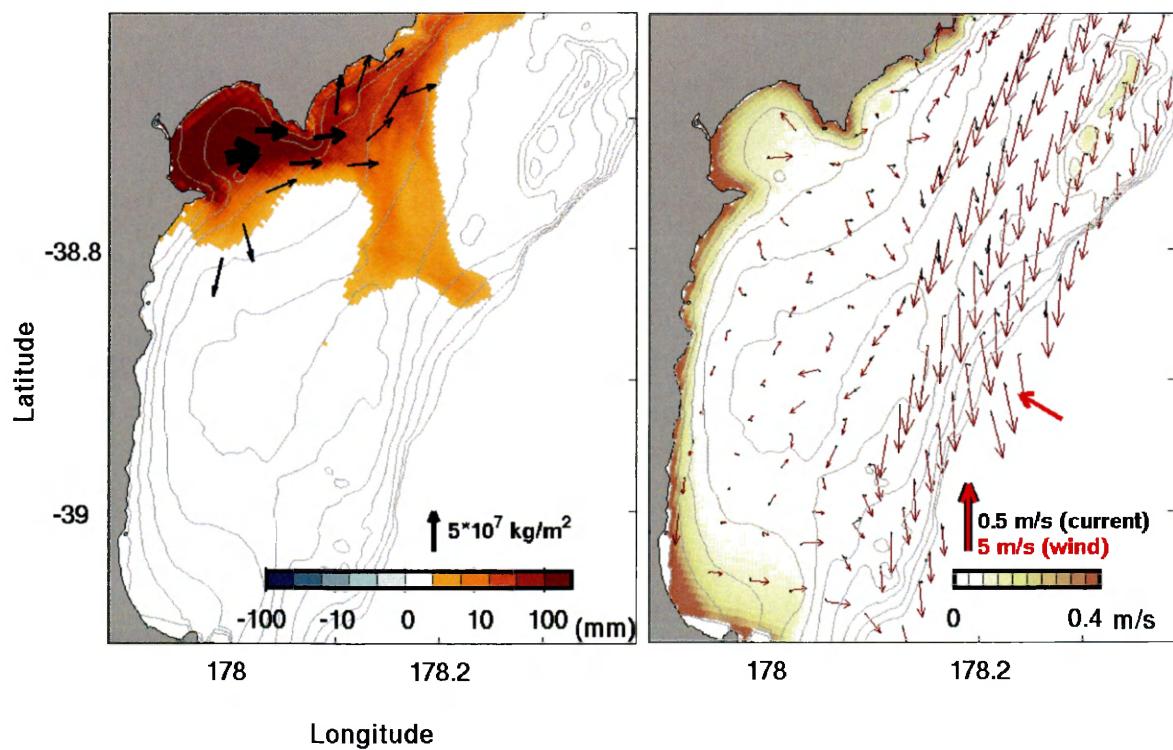


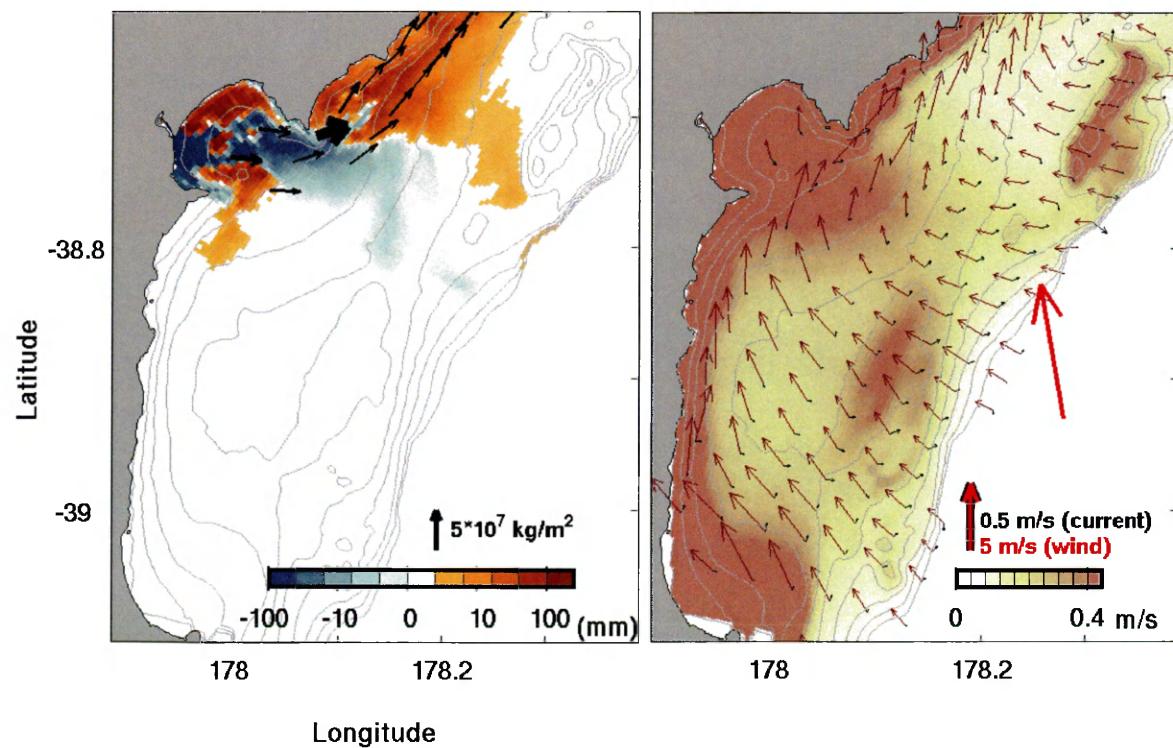
Figure 3-10: Cumulative sediment fluxes and hydrodynamic conditions for selected time periods

Left panels: Maps of cumulative deposition (positive) and erosion (negative) of riverine sediments during a specific time period. Deposition and erosion are shown for changes in seabed height greater than 1 mm. Flux arrows are shown for every 10 grid cells, and for fluxes greater than $2 \times 10^6 \text{ kg m}^2$ except as noted. **Right panels:** Representative snapshots of bottom orbital velocity (shading), surface (maroon arrows) and bottom (black arrows) currents, and wind (red arrow) during events. Currents are shown for every 10 grid cells. Time periods include (a) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for January 30 – February 14, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on February 2, 2010; (b) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for March 4 – 13, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on March 7, 2010; (c) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for February 14 – May 15, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on April 7, 2010; (d) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for July 4 - 22, 2010. *Notice the change in scale from 4a,b,c,e and f.* Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on July 9, 2010; (e) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for August 29 – September 8, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on September 1, 2010; (f) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for July 22 – September 30, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on August 4, 2010; (g) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for January 15, 2010 – February 15, 2011. *Flux arrows are shown for every 10 grid cells, for fluxes greater than $20 \times 10^6 \text{ kg m}^2$. Notice the change in scale from 4a,b,c,e and f.*

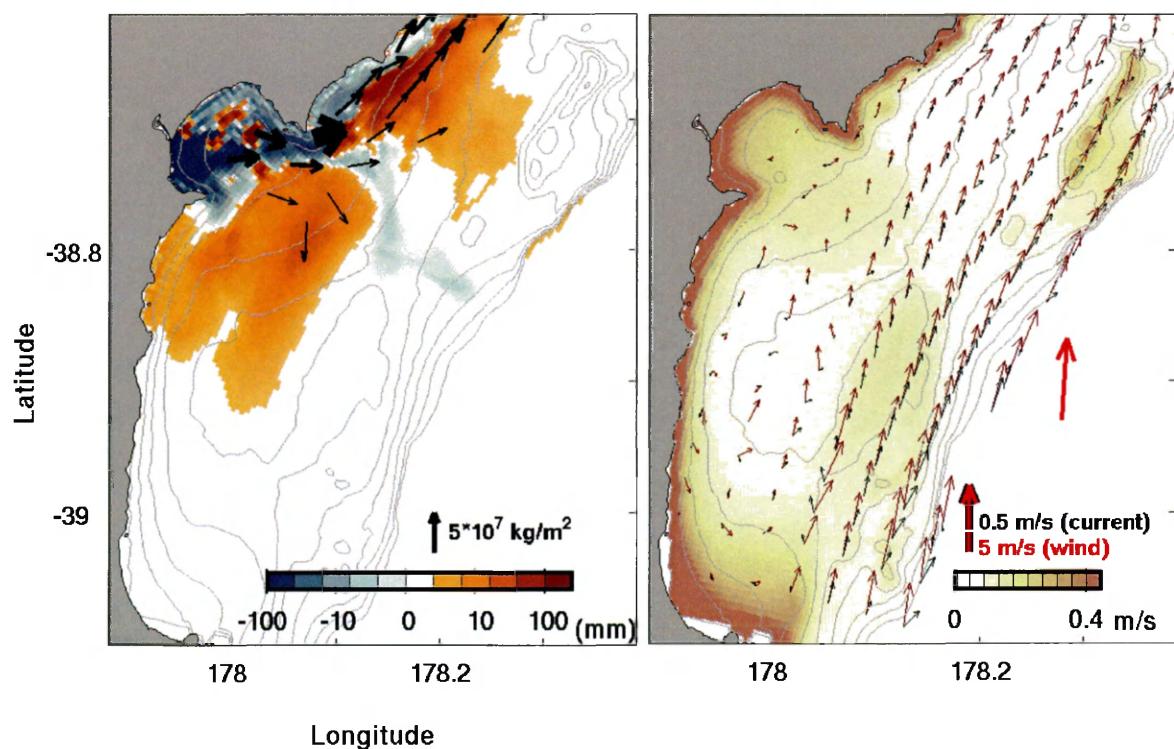
(a) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for January 30 – February 14, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on February 2, 2010.



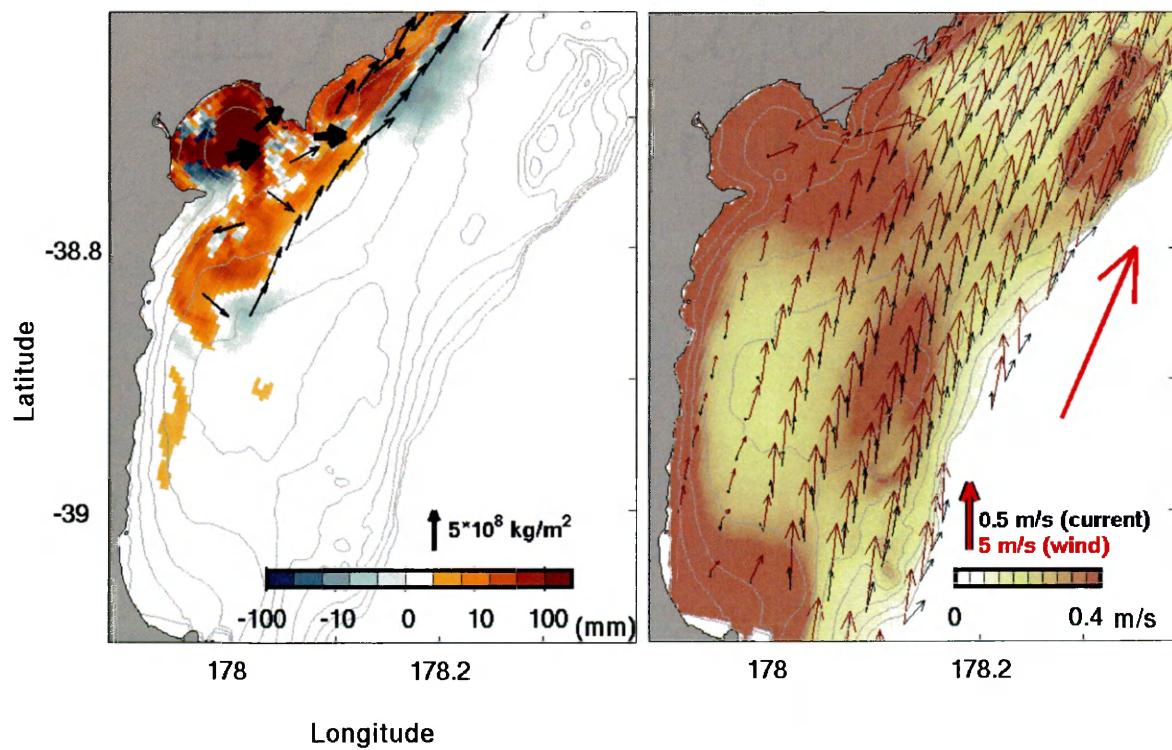
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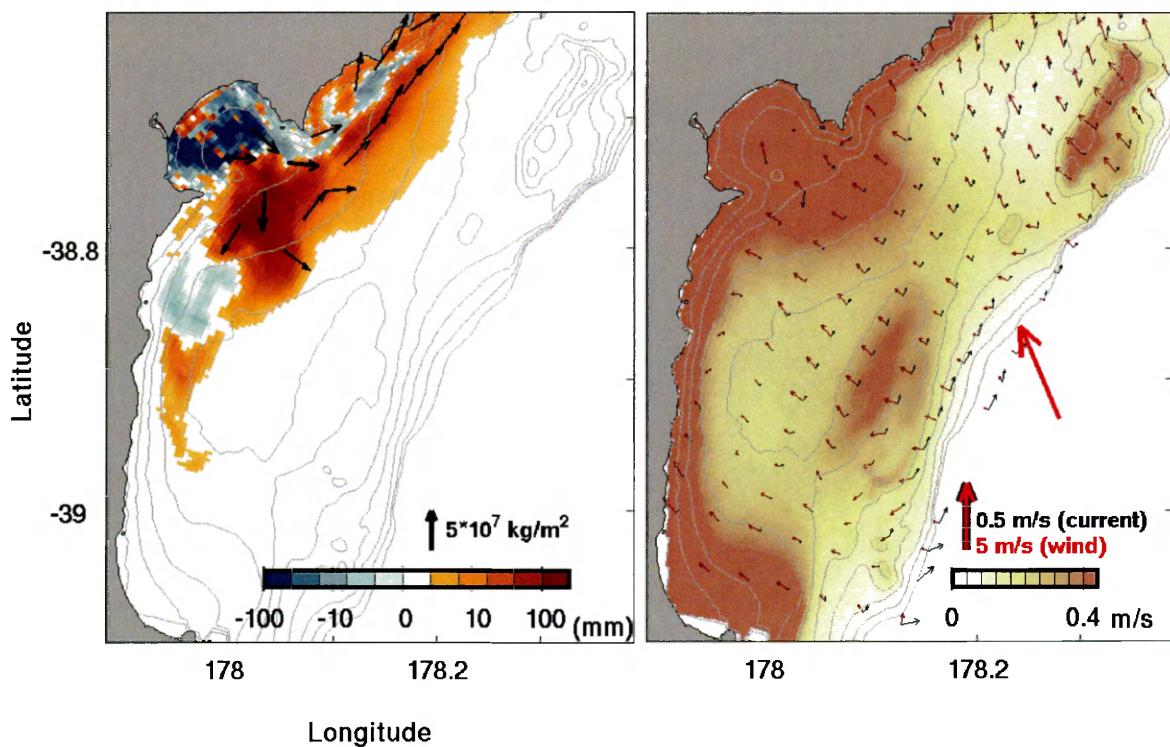
(c) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for February 14 – May 15, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on April 7, 2010.



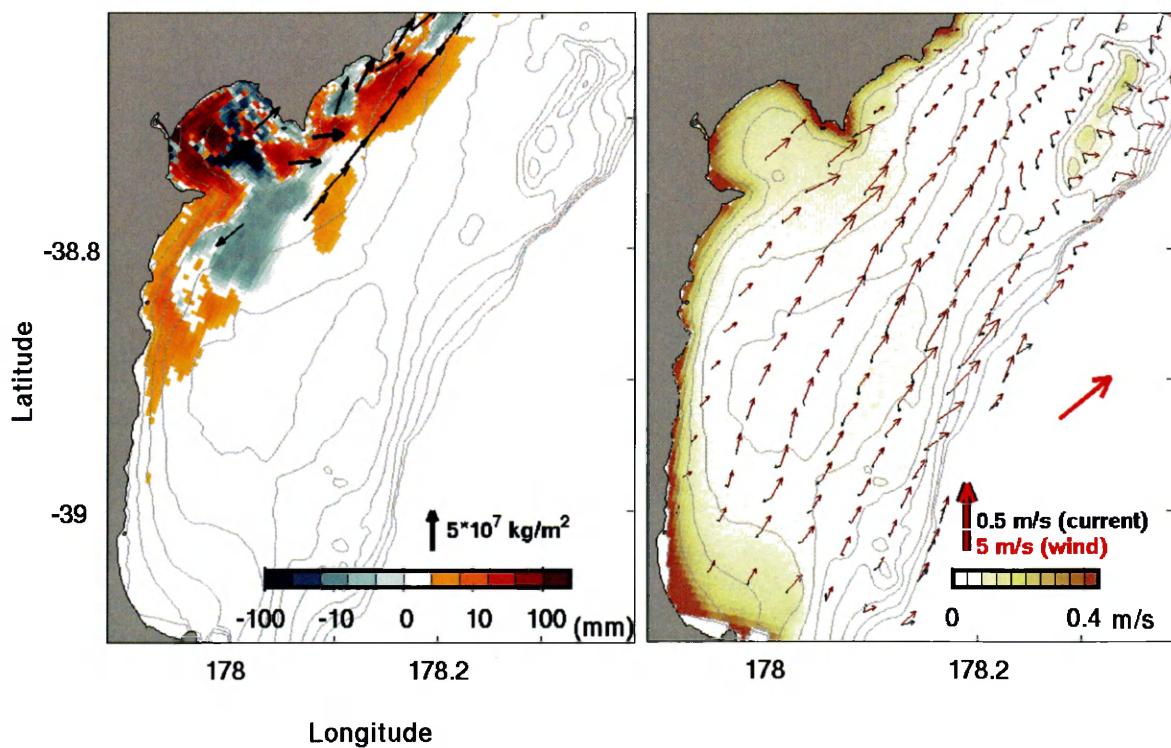
(d) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for July 4 - 22, 2010. Notice the change in scale from 4a,b,c,e and f. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on July 9, 2010.



(e) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for August 29 – September 8, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on September 1, 2010.



(f) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for July 22 – September 30, 2010. Snapshot of hydrodynamic conditions on August 4, 2010.



(g) Cumulative sediment fluxes and deposition for January 15, 2010 – February 15, 2011. Flux arrows are shown for every 10 grid cells, for fluxes greater than $20 \times 10^6 \text{ kg m}^2$. Notice the change in scale from 4a,b,c,e and f.

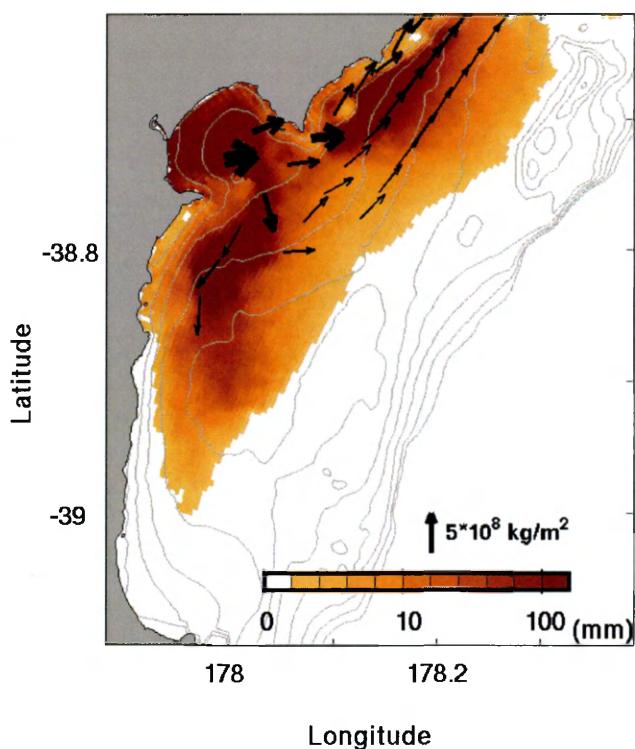
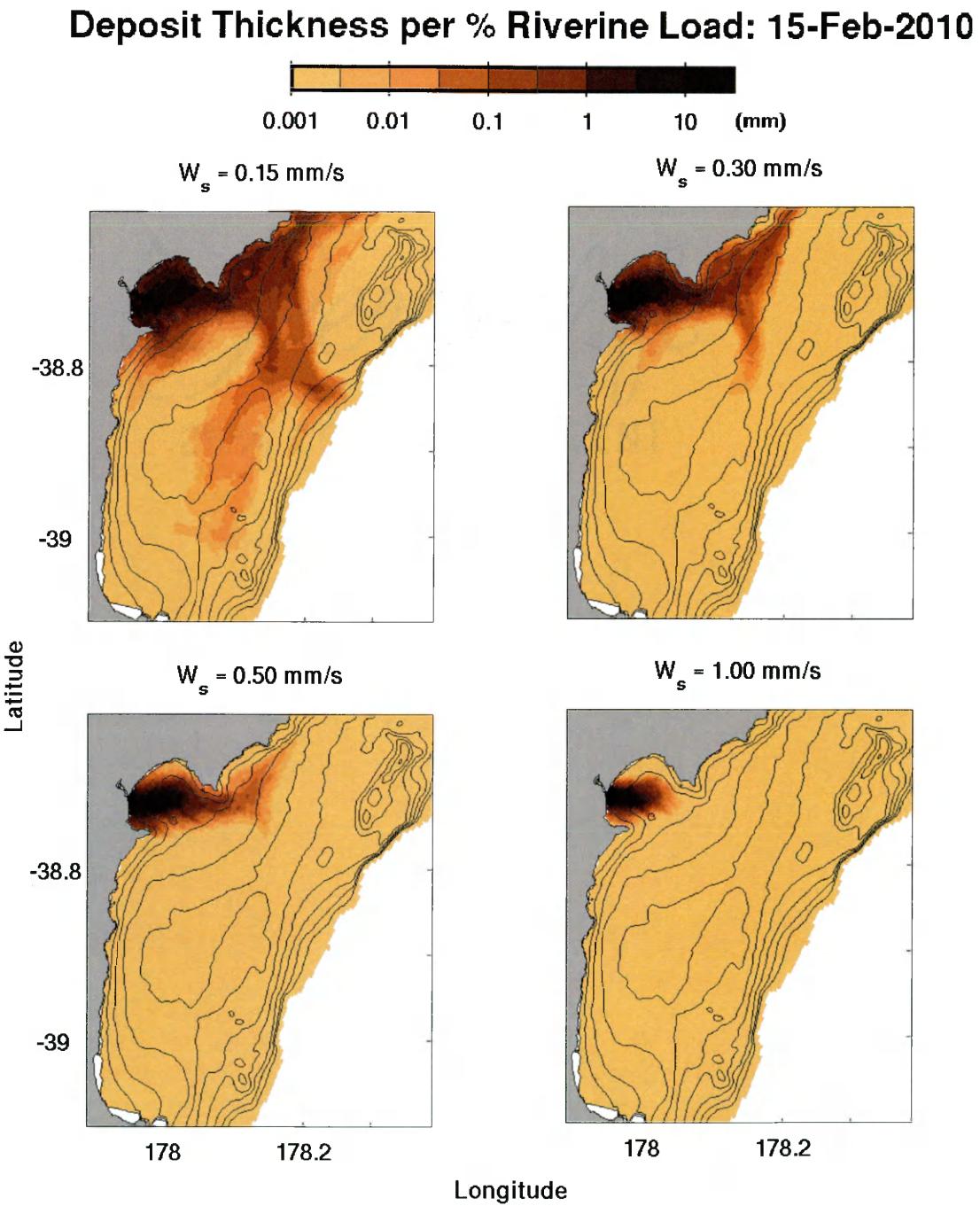


Figure 3-11: Map of flood deposit thickness per percent of riverine load

On (a) February 15, 2010, following the January 31, 2010 flood, and on (b) February 15, 2011, at the end of the field season. Note that slow-settling sediment classes accounted for larger percentages of the riverine load. Settling velocities of 0.15 , 0.30 , 0.50 , and 1.0 mm s^{-1} accounted for 53 , 27 , 13 , and 7% of the riverine load. To estimate total deposit thickness for each sediment class, multiply the colorbar by 53 , 27 , 13 , and 7 , respectively.

(a)



(b)

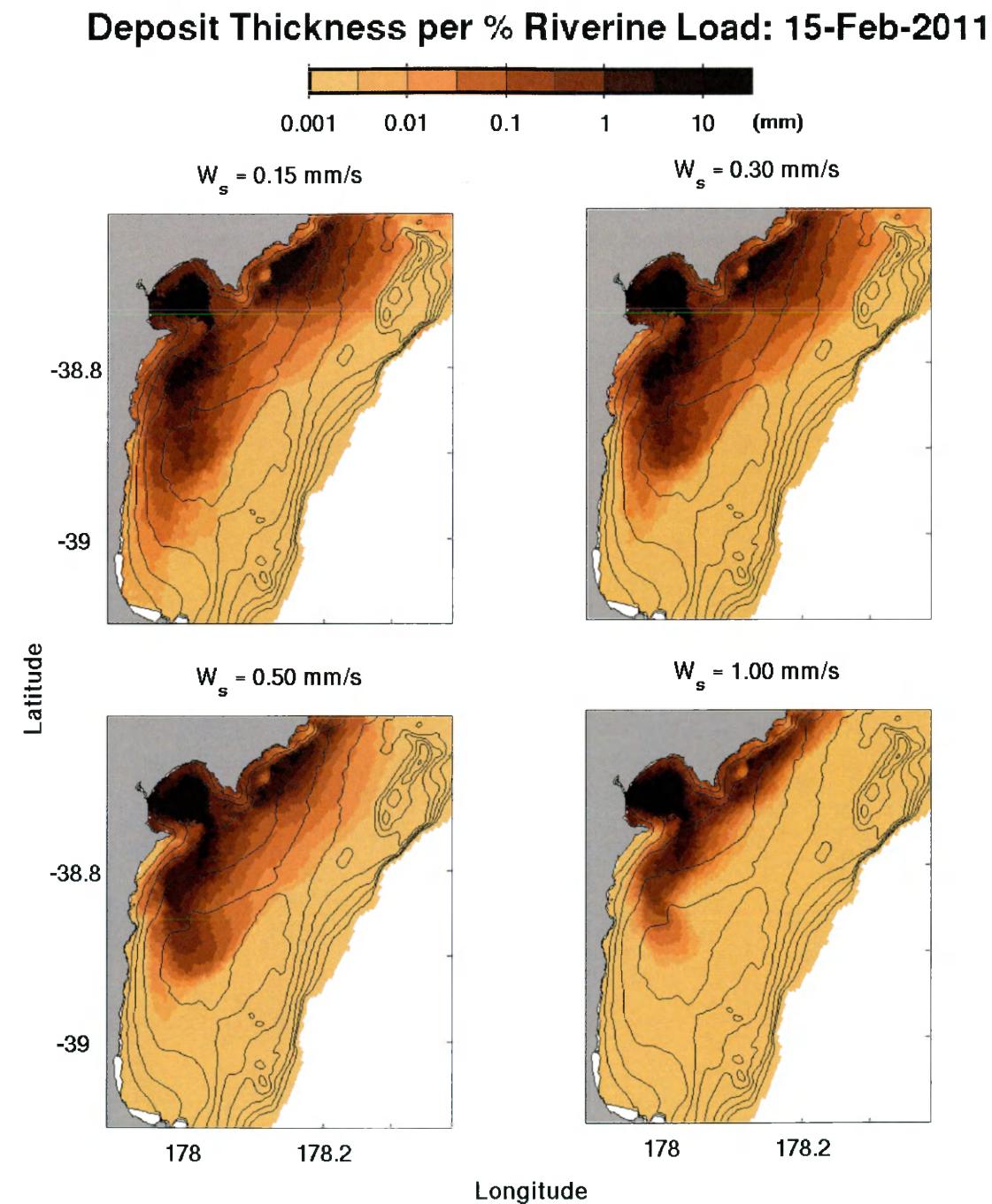


Figure 3-12: Wave- and current- induced bed stress

(A) Percent of the time that wave- and current- induced bed shear stresses exceeded 0.1 Pa., (B) average wave-induced bed shear stress, and (C) average current-induced bed shear stress from January 15, 2010 to February 15, 2011.

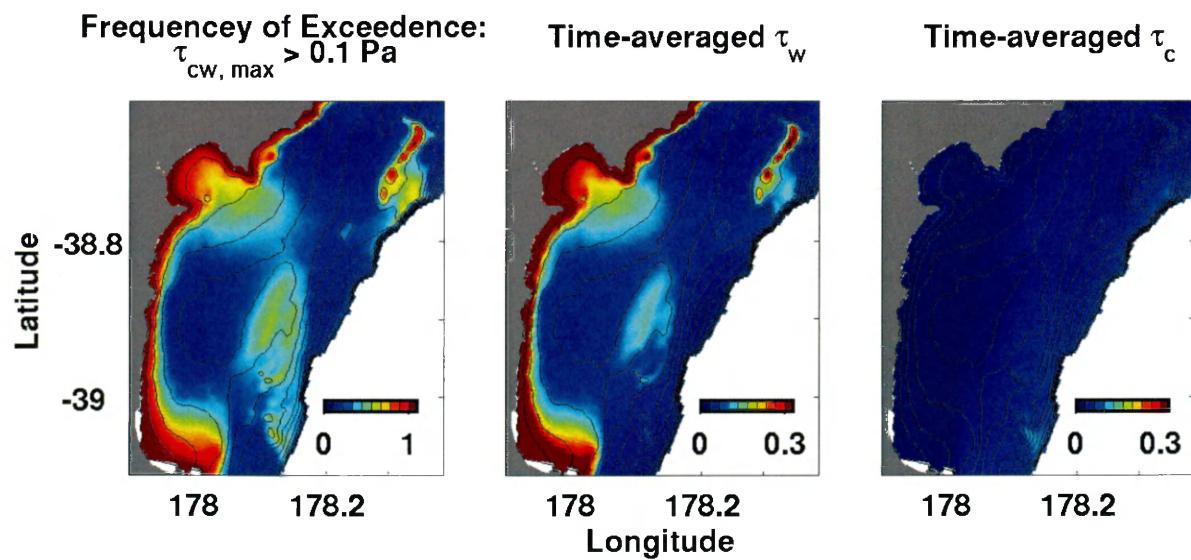
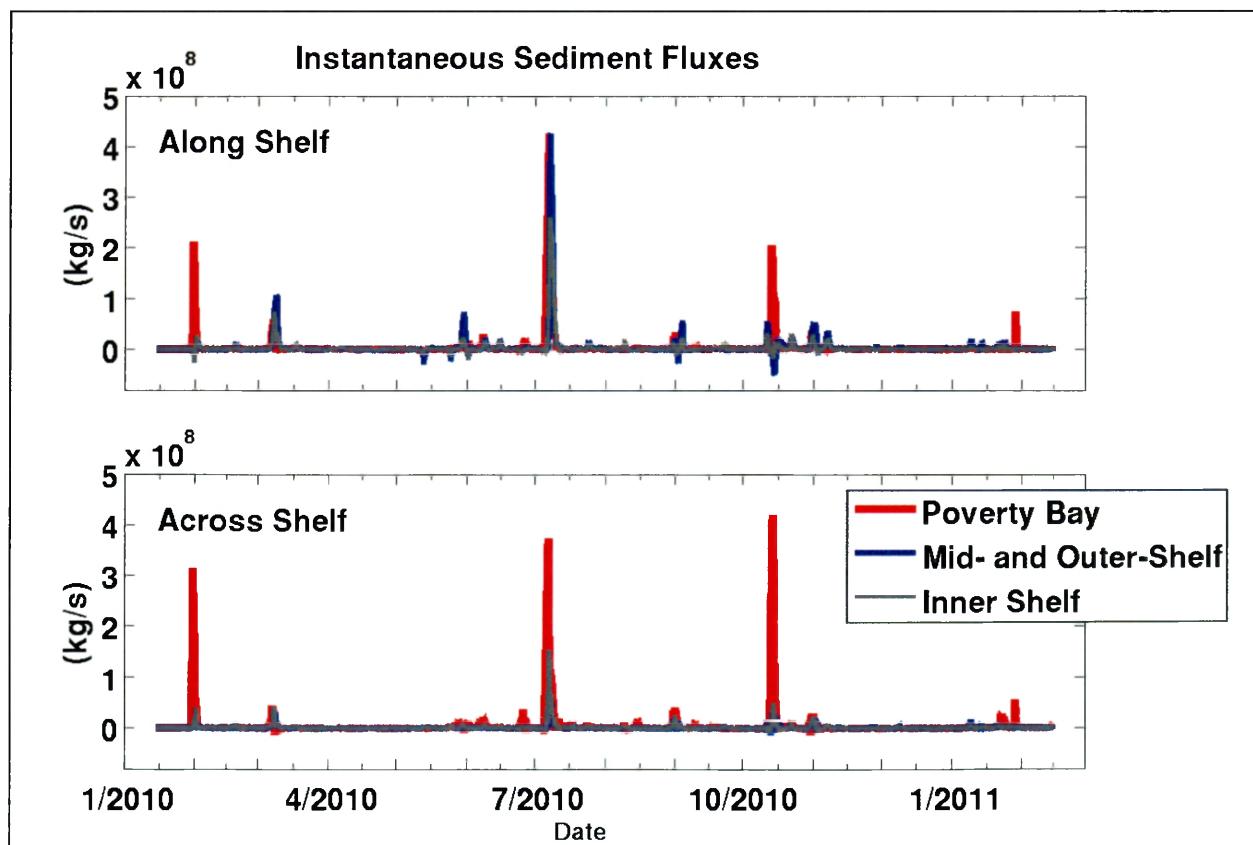


Figure 3-13: Instantaneous Sediment Fluxes

Timeseries of (a) along-shelf and across-shelf instantaneous sediment flux summed over different areas of the shelf. Fluxes were summed over Poverty Bay, the inner shelf (water depths shallower than 30 m), and the mid- and outer- shelf (water depths between 30 and 150 m) as shown in (b). Positive fluxes are northeastward, and offshore. Negative fluxes are southwestward and toward the coast.

(a)



(b)

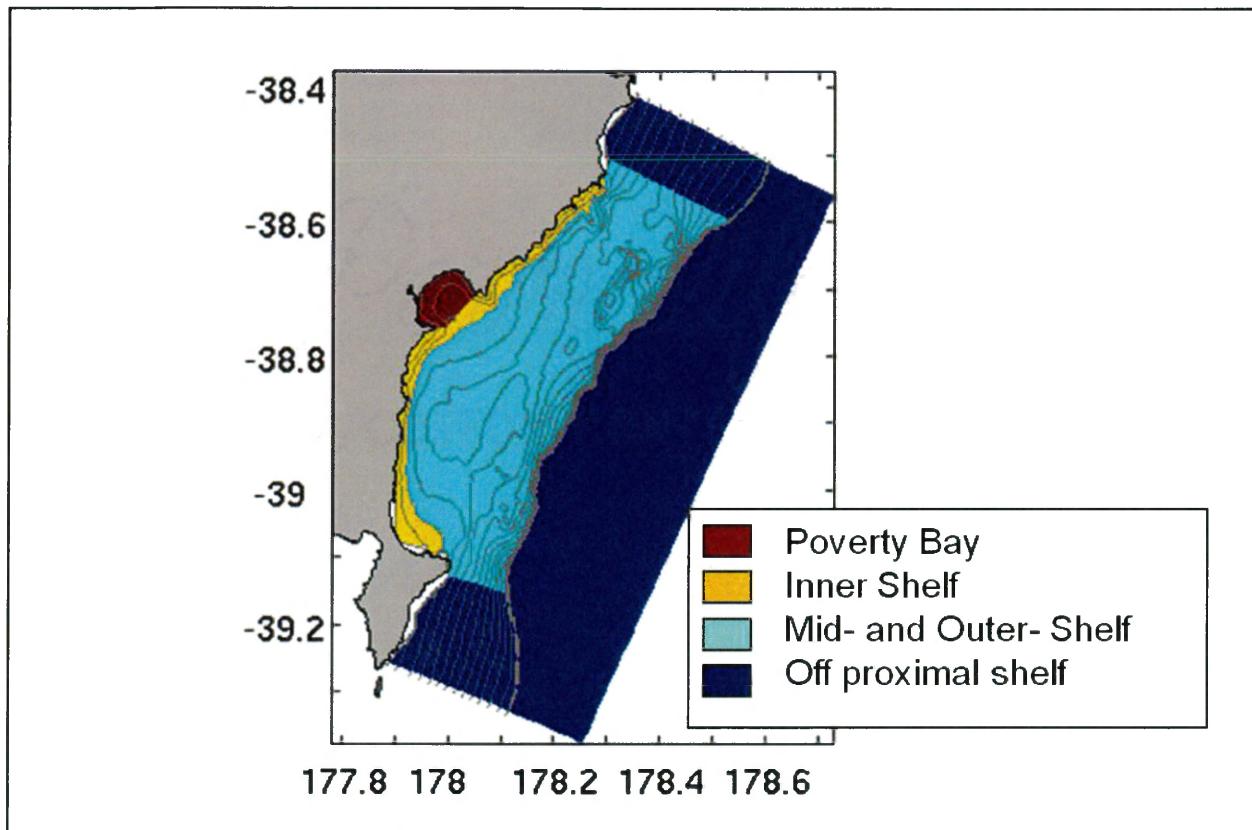
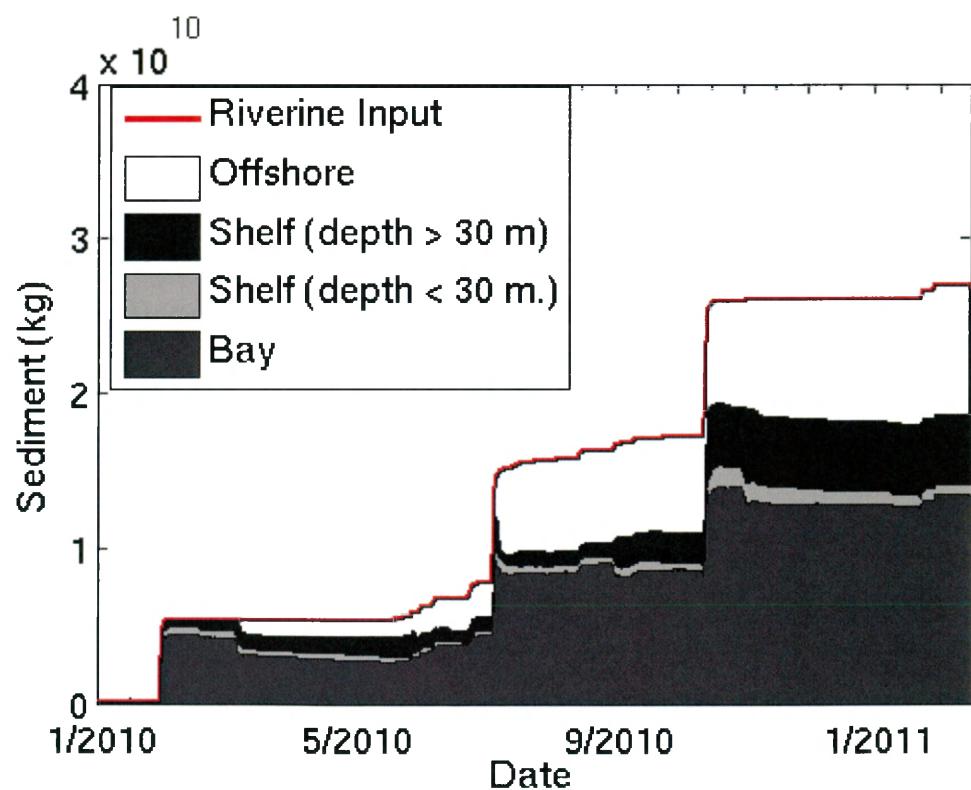


Figure 3-14: Timeseries of sediment budget.

Timeseries of cumulative sediment input, mass of sediment in Poverty Bay, and mass of sediment on shelf.



CHAPTER 4: Conclusions

A numerical hydrodynamic and sediment transport model has successfully been implemented for the Waipaoa Shelf, New Zealand. Model nesting, a technique relatively new to sediment transport models, was implemented to account for larger scale ocean currents in the model. This effort was necessary to increase the stability of the model; specifically it reduced reflection of the river plume at the model boundary. In addition to nesting, the coupled hydrodynamic – sediment transport model included wind, wave, river, and tidal processes. A two-layer bottom boundary layer estimated combined wave-current bed stresses. Sediment processes included advection, diffusion, erosion, deposition, and the inclusion of sediment in the equation of state.

This model neglected some processes that may be important for sediment transport and deposition, however. Comparison of model estimates to observations showed that the model underestimated across-shelf transport. Processes neglected in the model, such as seabed consolidation, gravity flows, and flocculation could explain this discrepancy and should be investigated by future efforts. Estimates of sediment fluxes were particularly sensitive to sediment settling characteristics, and so flocculation may be important in river-impacted margins (Hill et al., 2000; Syvitski et al., 1985; Ayukai and Wolanski, 1997). The model assumed that the settling velocity of sediment remained constant. However, if sediment becomes more highly flocculated with distance from the river mouth and water depth, this could help to explain model estimates of sediment deposition in shallow water. Additionally, seabed microcosm experiments indicated that the sediment bed became less erodible with distance from the river mouth and water depth (Corbett et al., 2012; Kiker, 2012). This might imply that sediment in

shallow areas that are frequently subjected to wave agitation might be more erodible, and more easily resuspended than material on the mid- to outer-shelf. Finally, the addition of gravitational forcing by high concentrations of suspended sediment increased export of sediment from Poverty Bay in Bever and Harris (submitted), and ongoing efforts will more fully evaluate the role of gravitational forcing on the Waipaoa Shelf (see, e.g. Moriarty et al., 2012). Even so, buoyant sediment fluxes as included in the model presented in Chapters Two and Three had many consistencies with long-term accumulation. That is, reworking of initial riverine deposits by waves and currents resulted in accumulation landward of shelf depocenters, separated by a zone of low accumulation in Poverty Gap.

Estimated hydrodynamics and sediment fluxes were analyzed for the thirteen month study period and also for individual floods and wave events. Winds strongly influenced the path of the river plume, which in turn controlled the predominantly northward buoyant sediment fluxes during floods. Dispersal of sediment during both floods and wave events depended strongly on the settling characteristics assumed for the material. Faster-settling material remained closer to the river mouth, and formed a more concentrated (less-diffuse) deposit. Sediment having fall velocities in excess of 1 mm/s tended to settle in Poverty Bay and the inner shelf during floods. Energetic waves during and following floods then resuspended this sediment, allowing ocean currents to redistribute riverine deposits along and across the shelf. Shelf depocenters tended to be located in areas of local topographic depressions. The relatively low bed stresses estimated for these sites facilitated sediment accumulation there.

Sedimentary signals were highly modified between arrival on the shelf and accumulation in long-term shelf depocenters. Transport of sediment to shelf depocenters occurred in multiple stages. Therefore, the physical structure of flood deposits from the 2010 field season, which included two approximately

eight-year recurrence interval floods, seems unlikely to be preserved in the geologic record. The destruction of the physical structure of the seabed, however, may not preclude a carbon or radioisotope signature. Overall, sediment delivery to long-term shelf depocenters depended on oceanographic forcing as well as sediment supply.

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APPENDIX: Model Input Files

This appendix contains input files for the ROMS model run described in Chapters Two and Three. The input text files, including waipaoa.h, ocean_waipaoa.in and sediment_waipaoa.in, are included on the pages below. These files, as well as netCDF input files for bathymetry, waves, winds, currents, tracers, tides, and meterological forcing, are contained on the attached CD:

Input text files:

```
waipaoa.h  
ocean_waipaoa.in  
sediment_waipaoa.in  
ana_nudgcoef.h  
build.bash
```

Input netCDF files:

```
gridgen_romsformat_redo5.nc  
waipaoa_init_redo7_20100101.nc  
bdry_bclin_*.nc (70 files)  
clim_bclin_*.nc (70 files)  
waipaoa_swradhr_new.nc  
waipaoa_windhr_nzlam_new.nc  
waipaoa_apresshr_new.nc  
waipaoa_cloudnd_new.nc  
waipaoa_rainhr_new.nc  
waipaoa_relhumhr_new.nc  
waipaoa_temphr_new.nc  
waipaoa_waves3_new.nc  
waipaoa_river_newpartitions.nc  
pb_tide_PO_new.nc
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waipaoa.h

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#define SEDIMENT
#define SEDIMENT
#define SUSPLOAD
#define SED_DENS
#define SED_DENS
#endif
#define SSW_BBL
#define SSW_BBL
#define SSW_CALC_ZNOT
#endif

/*Surface Boundary Layer*/
#define BULK_FLUXES
#define BULK_FLUXES
#define SOLAR_SOURCE
#define SOLAR_SOURCE
#define ANA_RAIN
#define COOL_SKIN
#endif
#define CRAIG_BANNER
#define CHARNOK
#define DIURNAL_SRFLUX
#define ANA_SSFLUX
#define ANA_BSFLUX
#define ANA_BPFLUX
#define ANA_BTFLUX
#define ANA_SPFLUX
#define LONGWAVE

#define GLS_MIXING
#define GLS_MIXING || defined MY25_MIXING
#define KANTHA_CLAYSON
#define N2S2_HORAVG
#endif
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/*Lateral Boundary Conditions and Climatology
Options*/
/* Grid is rotated so that:
 */
/* 'east' is the coast, 'south' is the
northeast boundary */

#define EASTERN_WALL

#define SOUTH_FSCHAPMAN
#define SOUTH_M2FLATHER
#define SOUTH_M3RADIATION
#define SOUTH_M3NUDGING
#define SOUTH_TRADIATION
#define SOUTH_TNUDGING

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#define NORTH_M2FLATHER
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ocean_wai_paoa.in

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! reading. Blank lines are also allowed and
! ignored. Continuation lines in
! a parameter specification are allowed and
! must be preceded by a backslash !
! (\). In some instances, more than one value
! is required for a parameter.
! If fewer values are provided, the last
! value is assigned for the entire !
! parameter array. The multiplication symbol
! (*), without blank spaces in !
! between, is allowed for a parameter
! specification. For example, in a two
! grids nested application:
=====
! ROMS/TOMS Standard Input parameters.
! svn $Id: ocean_upwelling.in 2249 2012-01-22
! 22:35:35Z arango $
===== Hernan G. Arango ====
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=====
! Licensed under a MIT/X style license
=====
! See License_ROMS.txt
=====
! AKT_BAK == 2*1.0d-6 2*5.0d-6
! m2/s
=====
! indicates that the first two entries of
array AKT_BAK, in fortran column-
! major order, will have the same value of
!"1.0d-6" for grid 1, whereas the !
! next two entries will have the same value of
!"5.0d-6" for grid 2.
=====
! Input parameters can be entered in ANY
! order, provided that the parameter !
! KEYWORD (usually, upper case) is typed
! correctly followed by "==" or "==" !
! symbols. Any comment lines are allowed and
! must begin with an exclamation !
! mark (!) in column one. Comments may
appear to the right of a parameter !
! specification to improve documentation.
Comments will be ignored during !
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! the order of the entries for a parameter is
! extremely important. It must !
! follow the same order (1:Ngrids) as in the
state variable declaration. The !
! USER may follow the above guidelines for
specifying his/her values. These !
! parameters are marked by "==" plural symbol
after the KEYWORD.
!

! Multiple NetCDF files are allowed for input
field(s). This is useful when !
! splitting input data (climatology,
boundary, forcing) time records into !
several files (say monthly, annual, etc). In
this case, each multiple file !
entry line needs to be ended by the vertical
bar (|) symbol. For example:
!

NFFILES == 8
number of forcing files
!
! Notice that NFFILES is 8 and not 14. There
are 8 uniquely different fields !
! in the file list, we DO NOT count file
entries followed by the vertical !
! bar symbol. This is because multiple file
entries are processed in ROMS !
! with derived type structures.
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=====
! N == 20 ! Number of vertical levels
=====
! Application title.
Nbed = 8 ! Number of sediment bed layers
=====
! Number of active tracers (usually, 2)
! Number of inactive passive tracers
! Number of cohesive (mud) sediment tracers
! Number of non-cohesive (sand) sediment tracers
=====
! Domain decomposition parameters for serial,
! distributed-memory or
! shared-memory configurations used to
determine tile horizontal range
! indices (Istr,Iend) and (Jstr,Jend),
[1:Ngrids].
=====
NtileI == 2 ! I-direction partition
NtileJ == 8 ! J-direction partition
=====
! Set lateral boundary conditions keyword.
! Notice that a value is expected
! for each boundary segment per nested grid
! for each state variable.
=====
Ngrids = 1
=====
! Grid dimension parameters. See notes below
in the Glossary for how to set
these parameters correctly.
=====
Im == 116 ! Number of I-
direction INTERIOR RHO-points
Mn == 285 ! Number of J-
direction INTERIOR RHO-points

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! Each tracer variable requires	! Rad	Radiation
[1:4,1:NAT+NPT,Ngrids] values. Otherwise,	! S	
[1:4,1:Ngrids] values are expected for other variables. The boundary	! Red	Reduced Physics
order is: 1=west, 2=south, 3=east, and 4=north. That is, anticlockwise starting at the western boundary.	j=1	
The keyword is case insensitive and usually has three characters. However, it is possible to have compound keywords, if applicable. For example, the keyword "RadNud" implies radiation boundary condition with nudging. This combination is usually used in active/passive radiation conditions.	i=Lm	
Keyword Lateral Boundary Condition Type		
Chapman	LBC(isFsur) == Cha	Cha
Clamped	LBC(isVbar) == Fla	Fla
Closed	LBC(isUbar) == Fla	Fla
Flather	LBC(isVbar) == 2D U-momentum	2D
j=Mm	LBC(isUbar) == 2D V-momentum	2D
Gradient	RadNud ! mixing TKE	TKE
Nested		
Nes		
Nudging	LBC(isTvar) == RadNud	RadNud
E 3	RadNud ! temperature	temperature
Periodic	RadNud ! salinity	salinity

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RadNud\           RadNud    RadNud    Clo      ad_LBC(isTvar) == Per     Clo      Per
! mud_01          RadNud    RadNud    Clo      Clo \      ! temperature     Clo      Per
RadNud\           RadNud    RadNud    Clo      Clo \      ! salinity       Clo      Per
! mud_02          RadNud    RadNud    Clo      ! Set lateral open boundary edge volume
RadNud\           RadNud    RadNud    Clo      conservation switch for
! mud_03          RadNud    RadNud    Clo      ! nonlinear model and adjoint-based
RadNud\           RadNud    RadNud    Clo      algorithms. Usually activated
! mud_04          RadNud    RadNud    Clo      ! with radiation boundary conditions to
RadNud\           RadNud    RadNud    Clo      enforce global mass
! mud_05          RadNud    RadNud    Clo      ! conservation, except if tidal forcing
RadNud\           RadNud    RadNud    Clo      enabled. [1:Ngrids].
! mud_06          RadNud    RadNud    Clo      VolCons(west) == F
RadNud\           RadNud    RadNud    Clo      ! western boundary
! mud_07          RadNud    RadNud    Clo      VolCons(east) == F
! eastern boundary
! Adjoint-based algorithms can have different
lateral boundary
! conditions keywords.
ad_LBC(isFsur) == Per     Clo      Per
Clo \      ! free-surface
ad_LBC(isUbar) == Per     Clo      Per
Clo \      ! 2D U-momentum
ad_LBC(isVbar) == Per     Clo      Per
Clo \      ! 2D U-momentum
ad_LBC(isUvel) == Per     Clo      Per
Clo \      ! 3D U-momentum
ad_LBC(isVvel) == Per     Clo      Per
Clo \      ! 3D V-momentum
ad_LBC(isMtk) == Per     Clo      Per
Clo \      ! mixing TKE

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! Time-Stepping parameters.
NFLT == 1
NINFO == 1

NTIMES == 2900000
DT == 15.0d0
NDTFAST == 40

! Model iteration loops parameters.

ERstr = 1
ERend = 1
Nouter = 1
Ninner = 1
Nintervals = 1

! Number of eigenvalues (NEV) and eigenvectors
! (NCV) to compute for the
! Lanczos/Arnoldi problem in the Generalized
! Stability Theory (GST)
! analysis. NCV must be greater than NEV (see
! documentation below).
NEV = 2
! Number of eigenvalues
NCV = 10
! Number of eigenvectors

! Model iteration loops parameters.

LDEFOUT == T
NHIS == 720
NDEFHIS == 28800
NTSAVG == 1
NAVG == 9999999
NDEFAVG == 0
NTSDIA == 1
NDIA == 99999
NDEFDIA == 0

! Output history, average, diagnostic files
parameters.

! Output tangent linear and adjoint models
parameters.

LcycleTLM == F
NTLM == 72
NDEFTLM == 0
LcycleADJ == F
NADJ == 72
NDEFADJ == 0
NSFF == 72
NOBC == 72

! GST output and check pointing restart
parameters.

NRREC == 0
LcyclerST == T
NRST == 360
NSTA == 1

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! LmultiGST = F
! one eigenvector per file
! LrstGST = F
! GST restart switch
! MaxIterGST = 500
! maximum number of iterations
! NGST = 10
! check pointing interval
! Relative accuracy of the Ritz values
! computed in the GST analysis.
Ritz_tol = 1.0d-15

! Harmonic/biharmonic horizontal diffusion of
tracer for nonlinear model
! and adjoint-based algorithms:
[1:NAT+NPT,Ngrids].
!
jmm in old files have: TNU2 = 5, TNU4 = 0
!
! m2/s
TNU2 == 0.0d0 0.0d0
!
! m4/s
TNU4 == 2*0.0d0
!
! ad/TNU2 == 0.0d0 0.0d0
! m2/s
!
! ad/TNU4 == 0.0d0 0.0d0
! m4/s
!
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! Harmonic/biharmonic, horizontal viscosity
coefficient for nonlinear model
! and adjoint-based algorithms: [Ngrids].
!
!jmm in old files have: VISC2= 0, VISC4= 0
!
VISC2 == 5.0d0
! m2/s
VISC4 == 0.0d0
!
m4/s
ad_VISC2 == 0.0d0
! m2/s
ad_VISC4 == 0.0d0
! m4/s
!

! Vertical mixing coefficients for tracers in
nonlinear model and
! basic state scale factor in adjoint-based
algorithms: [1:NAT+NPT,Ngrids]
!
!jmm in old files have:5e-06
!
! m2/s
AKT_BAK == 1.0d-6 1.0d-6
!
ad_AKT_fac == 1.0d0 1.0d0
! nondimensional
!

! Vertical mixing coefficient for momentum for
nonlinear model and

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! basic state scale factor in adjoint-based
algorithms: [Ngrids] .
!
! jmm in old files have:5e-05

AKV_BAK == 1.0d-5
! m2/s

ad_AKV_fac == 1.0d0
! nondimensional

! Turbulent closure parameters.

AKK_BAK == 5.0d-6
! m2/s
AKP_BAK == 5.0d-6
! m2/s
TKENU2 == 0.0d0
! m2/s
TKENU4 == 0.0d0
! m4/s

GLS_CMU0 == 0.5477d0
GLS_C1 == 1.44d0
GLS_C2 == 1.92d0
GLS_C3M == -0.4d0
GLS_C3P == 1.0d0
GLS_SIGK == 1.0d0
GLS_SIGP == 1.30d0

! Constants used in surface turbulent kinetic
energy flux computation.

CHARNOK_ALPHA == 1400.0d0
! Charnok
surface_roughness
ZOS_HSIG_ALPHA == 0.5d0
! roughness_from_wave_amplitude
SZ_ALPHA == 0.25d0
! roughness_from_wave_dissipation
CRGBAN_CW == 100.0d0
! Craig
and_Banner_wave_breaking

! Constants used in momentum stress
computation.
!
!jmm in old files have:zob = 0.003, zos = 0.02
!
RDRG == 3.0d-04
! m/s
RDRG2 == 3.0d-03
!
nondimensional
zob == 0.02d0
! m
zos == 0.02d0
! m

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! Height (m) of atmospheric measurements for
! Bulk fluxes parameterization.

BLK_ZQ == 10.0d0
air humidity
BLK_ZT == 10.0d0
air temperature
BLK_ZW == 10.0d0
winds

! Minimum depth for wetting and drying.

DCRIT == 0.10d0
! m
1/s2

! Various parameters.

WTYPE == 1
LEVSFR == 15
LEVBFRC == 1

! Set vertical, terrain-following coordinates
transformation equation and
! stretching function (see below for details),
[1:Ngrids].
Vtransform == 2
transformation equation
Vstretching == 3
stretching function

! Vertical S-coordinates parameters (see below
for details), [1:Ngrids] .

! Height_S == 3.0d0
surface stretching parameter
THETA_S == 3.0d0
!
! bottom stretching parameter
THETA_B == 0.9d0
TCLINE == 3.0d0
!
! critical depth (m)
!
! Mean Density and Brunt-Vaisala frequency.
RHOO == 1025.0d0
!
kg/m3
BVF_BAK == 1.0d-5
!
1/s2

! Time-stamp assigned for model
initialization, reference time
! origin for tidal forcing, and model
reference time for output
! NetCDF units attribute.

DSTART == 15198.0d0
days
TIDE_START == 732678.0d0
days
TIME_REF == 0.0d0
!
YYYYmmdd.dd
!
! Nudging/relaxation time scales, inverse
scales will be computed
! internally, [1:Ngrids].

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    TNUDG == 2.5d0          ! Slipperiness parameter: 1.0 (free slip) or -
    days                   ! 1.0 (no slip)

    ZNUDG == 2.5d0          !
    days                   !
    M2NUDG == 2.5d0         !
    days                   !
    M3NUDG == 2.5d0         !
    days                   !

    ! Factor between passive (outflow) and active
    (inflow) open boundary
    ! conditions, [1:Ngrids]. If OBCFAC > 1,
    nudging on inflow is stronger
    ! than on outflow (recommended).

    OBCFAC == 2.5d0
    nondimensional

    ! Linear equation of State parameters:
    R0 == 1027.0d0
    kg/m3                  !
    T0 == 16.0d0             !
    Celsius                S0 == 35.1d0           !
    PSU                    TCOEF == 1.7d-4        !
    1/Celsius              SCOEF == 7.6d0 !0.0d0
    PSU                    KstrS == 1
                           starting level

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! Slippiness parameter: 1.0 (free slip) or -
! 1.0 (no slip)
! GAMMA2 == 1.0d0
! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to specify
! which variables to consider on
! tracers point Sources/Sinks (like river
runoff): [1:NAT+NFT,Ngrids].
! See glossary below for details.
LtracerSrc == T T
temperature, salinity, inert
! Starting (DstrS) and ending (Dends) day for
adjoint sensitivity forcing.
! DstrS must be less or equal to Dends. If
both values are zero, their
! values are reset internally to the full
range of the adjoint integration.
! DstrS == 0.0d0
starting day
Dends == 0.0d0
ending day
! Starting and ending vertical levels of the
3D adjoint state variables
! whose sensitivity is required.

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KendS == 1
ending level
! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to specify the
adjoint state variables
! whose sensitivity is required.

Istate(isFsur) == F
free-surface
Istate(isubar) == F
2D U-momentum
Istate(isvbar) == F
2D V-momentum
Istate(isUvel) == F
3D U-momentum
Istate(isVvel) == F
3D V-momentum
Istate(istvar) == F F
NT tracers
.

Fstate(isUvel) == F
3D U-momentum
Fstate(isVvel) == F
3D V-momentum
Fstate(istvar) == F F
NT tracers
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Fstate(isUstr) == T
surface U-stress
Fstate(isVstr) == T
surface V-stress
Fstate(istsur) == F F
NT surface tracers flux
.

! Stochastic Optimals time decorrelation scale
(days) assumed for
! red noise processes.

SO_decay == 2.0d0
days

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to specify the
state variables for
! which Forcing Singular Vectors or Stochastic
Optimals is required.

Istate(istvar) == F F
NT tracers
.

! Stochastic Optimals surface forcing standard
deviation for
! dimensionalization.

SO_sdev(isFsur) == 1.0d0
free-surface
SO_sdev(isubar) == 1.0d0
2D U-momentum
SO_sdev(isvbar) == 1.0d0
2D V-momentum
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SO_sdev(isUvel) == 1.0d0 ! Hout(idVbar) == T ! vbar
3D U-momentum ! 2D V-velocity
SO_sdev(isVvel) == 1.0d0 ! Hout(idu2dE) == T ! ubar_eastward
3D V-momentum ! 2D U-eastward at RHO-points
SO_sdev(isTvar) == 1.0d0 1.0d0 ! Hout(idv2dN) == T ! vbar_northward
NT tracers ! 2D V-northward at RHO-points
Hout(idFsur) == T ! zeta
free-surface ! bath
Hout(idBath) == T ! time-dependent bathymetry
Hout(idTvar) == T T ! temp, salt
temperature and salinity

Hout(idUsms) == T ! sustr
surface U-stress
Hout(idVsms) == T ! svstr
surface V-stress
Hout(idUbms) == F ! bustr
bottom U-stress
Hout(idVbms) == F ! bvstr
bottom V-stress

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of fields into
! HISTORY output file.

Hout(idUvel) == T ! u
3D U-velocity
Hout(idVvel) == T ! v
3D V-velocity
Hout(idu3dE) == T ! u_eastward
3D U-eastward at RHO-points
Hout(idv3dN) == T ! v_northward
3D V-northward at RHO-points
Hout(idWvel) == T ! w
3D W-velocity
Hout(idOvel) == T ! omega
omega vertical velocity
Hout(idUbar) == T ! ubar
2D U-velocity

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Hout(idUBcbs) == T      ! bustrcwmax
bottom max wave-current U-stress
Hout(idVBcbs) == T      ! bvstrcwmax
bottom max wave-current V-stress

Hout(idUBot) == T      ! Ubot
bed wave orbital U-velocity
Hout(idVBot) == T      ! Vbot
bed wave orbital V-velocity
Hout(idUBur) == T      ! Ur
bottom U-velocity above bed
Hout(idVBvr) == T      ! Vr
bottom V-velocity above bed

Hout(idW2xx) == F      ! Sxx_bar
2D radiation stress, Sxx component
Hout(idW2xy) == F      ! Sxy_bar
2D radiation stress, Sxy component
Hout(idW2yy) == F      ! Syy_bar
2D radiation stress, Syy component
Hout(idU2rs) == F      ! Ubar_Rstress
2D radiation U-stress
Hout(idV2rs) == F      ! Vbar_Rstress
2D radiation V-stress
Hout(idU2Sd) == F      ! ubar_stokes
2D U-Stokes velocity
Hout(idV2Sd) == F      ! vbar_stokes
2D V-Stokes velocity

Hout(idW3xy) == F      ! Sxy
3D radiation stress, Sxy component
Hout(idW3yy) == F      ! Syy
3D radiation stress, Syy component
Hout(idW3zx) == F      ! Szx
3D radiation stress, Szx component
Hout(idW3zy) == F      ! Szy
3D radiation stress, Szy component
Hout(idU3rs) == F      ! u_Rstress
3D U-radiation stress
Hout(idV3rs) == F      ! v_Rstress
3D V-radiation stress
Hout(idU3Sd) == F      ! u_stokes
3D U-Stokes velocity
Hout(idV3Sd) == F      ! v_stokes
3D V-Stokes velocity

Hout(idWamp) == T      ! Hwave
wave height
Hout(idWlen) == T      ! Lwave
wave length
Hout(idWdir) == T      ! Dwave
wave direction
Hout(idWptp) == T      ! Pwave_top
wave surface period
Hout(idWpbt) == T      ! Pwave_bot
wave bottom period
Hout(idWorb) == T      ! Ub_swam
wave bottom orbital velocity
Hout(idWdis) == T      ! Wave_dissip
wave dissipation

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Hout(idPair) == F ! Pair
surface air pressure
Hout(idUair) == T ! Uair
surface U-wind component
Hout(idVair) == T ! Vair
surface V-wind component

Hout(idTsur) == F F ! shflux, ssflux
surface net heat and salt flux
Hout(idLhea) == F ! latent
latent heat flux
Hout(idShea) == F ! sensible
sensible heat flux
Hout(idLrad) == F ! lwrad
longwave radiation flux
Hout(idsrad) == F ! swrad
shortwave radiation flux
Hout(idEmPf) == F ! EminusP
E-P flux
Hout(idevap) == F ! evaporation
evaporation rate
Hout(idrain) == F ! rain
precipitation rate

Hout(idDano) == T ! rho
density anomaly
Hout(idVvis) == F ! AKv
vertical viscosity
Hout(idTdif) == F ! AKt
vertical T-diffusion
Hout(idsdif) == F ! AKs
vertical Salinity diffusion

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! Hsbl
 depth of surface boundary layer
 Hout(idHbbl) == F ! Hbbl
 depth of bottom boundary layer
 Hout(idMtke) == F ! tke
 turbulent kinetic energy
 Hout(idMtls) == F ! gls
 turbulent length scale

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
 writing of extra inert passive
 ! tracers other than biological and sediment
 tracers. An inert passive tracer
 ! is one that it is only advected and
 diffused. Other processes are ignored.
 ! These tracers include, for example, dyes,
 pollutants, oil spills, etc.
 ! NPT values are expected. However, these
 switches can be activated using
 ! compact parameter specification.

Hout(inert) == T ! dye_01, ...
 inert passive tracers

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
 writing of exposed sediment
 ! layer properties into HISTORY output file.
 Currently, MBOTP properties
 ! are expected for the bottom boundary layer
 and/or sediment models:
 !


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Aout(idv2dN) == F ! vbar_northward
2D V-northward at RHO-points
Aout(idFsur) == T ! zeta
free-surface

Aout(idTvar) == T T ! temp, salt
temperature and salinity

Aout(idUsms) == F ! susxr
surface U-stress
Aout(idVsms) == F ! svstr
surface V-stress
Aout(idUbms) == F ! bustr
bottom U-stress
Aout(idVbms) == F ! bvstr
bottom V-stress

Aout(idW2xx) == F ! Sxx_bar
2D radiation stress, Sxx component
Aout(idW2xy) == F ! Sxy_bar
2D radiation stress, Sxy component
Aout(idW2yy) == F ! Syy_bar
2D radiation stress, Syy component
Aout(idU2rs) == F ! Ubar_Rstress
2D radiation U-stress
Aout(idV2rs) == F ! Vbar_Rstress
2D radiation V-stress

Aout(idU2Sd) == F ! ubar_stokes
2D U-Stokes velocity
Aout(idV2Sd) == F ! vbar_stokes
2D V-Stokes velocity

Aout(idW3xx) == F ! Sxx
3D radiation stress, Sxx component
Aout(idW3xy) == F ! Sxy
3D radiation stress, Sxy component
Aout(idW3yy) == F ! Syy
3D radiation stress, Syy component
Aout(idW3zx) == F ! Szx
3D radiation stress, Szx component
Aout(idW3zy) == F ! Szy
3D radiation stress, Szy component
Aout(idU3rs) == F ! u_Rstress
3D U-radiation stress
Aout(idV3rs) == F ! v_Rstress
3D V-radiation stress
Aout(idU3Sd) == F ! u_stokes
3D U-Stokes velocity
Aout(idV3Sd) == F ! v_stokes
3D V-Stokes velocity

Aout(idPair) == F ! Pair
surface air pressure
Aout(idUair) == F ! Uair
surface U-wind component
Aout(idVair) == F ! Vair
surface V-wind component

Aout(idTsur) == F F ! shflux, ssflux
surface net heat and salt flux
Aout(idLhea) == F ! latent
latent heat flux
Aout(idShea) == F ! sensible
sensible heat flux

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Aout(idLrad) == F ! lwrad
longwave radiation flux
Aout(idsrad) == F ! swrad
shortwave radiation flux
Aout(idevap) == F ! evaporation
evaporation rate
Aout(idrain) == F ! rain
precipitation rate

Aout(idDano) == F ! rho
density anomaly
Aout(idVvis) == F ! AKv
vertical viscosity
Aout(idTdif) == F ! AKt
vertical T-diffusion
Aout(idsdif) == F ! AKs
vertical Salinity diffusion
Aout(idHsbl) == F ! Hsbl
depth of surface boundary layer
Aout(idHbb1) == F ! Hbb1
depth of bottom boundary layer

Aout(id2dRV) == F ! pvorticity_bar
2D relative vorticity
Aout(id3dRV) == F ! pvorticity
3D relative vorticity
Aout(id2dPV) == F ! rvorticity_bar
2D potential vorticity
Aout(id3dPV) == F ! rvorticity
3D potential vorticity

Aout(idu3dD) == F ! u_detided
detided 3D U-velocity
Aout(idv3dD) == F ! v_detided
detided 3D V-velocity
Aout(idu2dD) == F ! ubar_detided
detided 2D U-velocity
Aout(idv2dD) == F ! vbar_detided
detided 2D V-velocity
Aout(idFSUD) == F ! zeta_detided
detided free-surface

Aout(idTrcD) == F ! temp_detided, ...
detided temperature and salinity_y

Aout(idHUav) == F ! Huon
u-volume flux, Huon
Aout(idHVav) == F ! Hvom
v-volume flux, Hvom
Aout(idUUav) == F ! uu
quadratic <u*u> term
Aout(idUVav) == F ! uv
quadratic <u*v> term
Aout(idVVav) == F ! vv
quadratic <v*v> term
Aout(idU2av) == F ! ubar2
quadratic <ubar*ubar> term
Aout(idV2av) == F ! vbar2
quadratic <vbar*vbar> term
Aout(idZZav) == F ! zeta2
quadratic <zeta*zeta> term

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Aout (idTTav) == F F ! temp2, salt2
quadratic <t*t> T/S terms
Aout (idUTav) == F F ! utemp, usalt
quadratic <u*u*t> T/S terms
Aout (idVTav) == F F ! vtemp, vsalt
quadratic <v*v*t> T/S terms
Aout (iHUTav) == F F ! Huontemp, ...
T/S volume flux, <Huon*t>
Aout (iHVtav) == F F ! Hvomtemp, ...
T/S volume flux, <Hvom*t>

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of extra inert passive
! tracers other than biological and sediment
tracers into the AVERAGE file.

Aout (inert) == T ! dye_01, ...
inert passive tracers

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of time-averaged,
! 2D momentum (ubar, vbar) diagnostic terms
into DIAGNOSTIC output file.

Dout (M2rate) == T ! ubar_accel, ...
acceleration
Dout (M2pgrd) == T ! ubar_prsgrd, ...
pressure gradient
Dout (M2fcor) == T ! ubar_cor, ...
Coriolis force
Dout (M2hadv) == T ! ubar_hadv, ...
horizontal total advection
Dout (M3xadv) == T ! u_xadv, ...
horizontal XI-advection

Dout (M2xadv) == T ! ubar_xadv, ...
horizontal XI-advection
Dout (M2yadv) == T ! ubar_yadv, ...
horizontal ETA-advection
Dout (M2hrad) == T ! ubar_hrad, ...
horizontal total radiation stress
Dout (M2hvvis) == T ! ubar_hvvis, ...
horizontal total viscosity
Dout (M2xvis) == T ! ubar_xvisc, ...
horizontal XI-viscosity
Dout (M2yvis) == T ! ubar_yvisc, ...
horizontal ETA-viscosity
Dout (M2sstr) == T ! ubar_sstr, ...
surface stress
Dout (M2bstr) == T ! ubar_bstr, ...
bottom stress

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of time-averaged,
! 3D momentum (u, v) diagnostic terms into
DIAGNOSTIC output file.

Dout (M3rate) == T ! u_accel, ...
acceleration
Dout (M3pgrd) == T ! u_prsgrd, ...
pressure gradient
Dout (M3fcor) == T ! u_cor, ...
Coriolis force
Dout (M3hadv) == T ! u_hadv, ...
horizontal total advection
Dout (M3xadv) == T ! u_xadv, ...
horizontal XI-advection

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Dout(M3yadv) == T ! u_yadv, ...
horizontal ETA-advection ! u_vadv, ...
Dout(M3vadv) == T ! u_vadv, ...
vertical advection
Dout(M3hrad) == T ! u_hrad, ...
horizontal total radiation stress
Dout(M3hvis) == T ! u_vrad, ...
vertical radiation stress
Dout(M3hvis) == T ! u_hvisc, ...
horizontal total viscosity
Dout(M3xvis) == T ! u_xvisc, ...
horizontal XI-viscosity
Dout(M3yvis) == T ! u_yvisc, ...
horizontal ETA-viscosity
Dout(M3vvis) == T ! u_vvisc, ...
vertical viscosity
NUSER = 0
USER = 0.d0
! Generic User parameters, [1:NUSER] .

Dout(iTvadv) == T T ! temp_vadv, ...
vertical advection
Dout(iThdif) == T T ! temp_hdiff, ...
horizontal total diffusion
Dout(iTxdif) == T T ! temp_xdiff, ...
horizontal XI-diffusion
Dout(iTydif) == T T ! temp_ydiff, ...
horizontal ETA-diffusion
Dout(iTsdif) == T T ! temp_sdiff, ...
horizontal S-diffusion
Dout(iTvdiff) == T T ! temp_vdiff, ...
vertical diffusion
! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of time-averaged,
active (temperature and salinity) and
passive (inert) tracer diagnostic
terms into DIAGNOSTIC output file:
[1:NAT+NPT,Ngrids].
NC_SHUFFLE = 1 ! if non-
zero, turn on shuffle filter
NC_DEFLATE = 1 ! if non-
zero, turn on deflate filter
NC_DLEVEL = 1 ! deflate
level [0-9]
! Input NetCDF file names, [1:Ngrids].
Dout(iTrate) == T T ! temp_rate, ...
time rate of change
Dout(iThadv) == T T ! temp_hadv, ...
horizontal total advection
Dout(iTxadv) == T T ! temp_xadv, ...
horizontal XI-advection
Dout(iTyadv) == T T ! temp_yadv, ...
horizontal ETA-advection

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GRDNAME ==
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Modelgrids/Make
Gridgen/gridgen_romsformat_redo5.nc |
INNAME ==
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Bed/wai
pao_init_redo7_20100101.nc |
ITLNAME == ocean_itl.nc
IRPNAME == ocean_irp.nc
IADNAME == ocean_iad.nc
FWDNAME == ocean_fwd.nc
ADSNAME == ocean_ads.nc

! Input lateral boundary conditions and
climatology file names. The
! USER has the option to split input data time
records into several
! NetCDF files (see prologue instructions
above). If so, use a single
! line per entry with a vertical bar (|)
symbol after each entry,
! except the last one.

BRYNAME ==
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091024.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091101.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091108.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091116.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091123.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091201.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091208.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091216.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091223.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20091231.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100107.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100115.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100122.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100130.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100206.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100214.nc |

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/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100221.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100301.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100308.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100316.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100323.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100330.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100407.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100414.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100422.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100429.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100507.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100514.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100522.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100529.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20100606.nc |  
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/  
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101011.nc |
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/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101019.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101026.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101103.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101110.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101118.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101125.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101203.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101210.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101218.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20101225.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20110102.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20110109.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20110117.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20110124.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20110201.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/bdry_bclin_20110208.nc |

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/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20091231.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100107.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100115.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100122.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100130.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100206.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100214.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100221.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100301.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100308.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100316.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100323.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100330.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100407.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100414.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Nzmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100422.nc |
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/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100827.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100904.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100911.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100919.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20100926.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101004.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101011.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101019.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101026.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101103.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101110.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101118.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101125.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101203.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101210.nc |
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZmark/
NZbaroclinic/clim_bclin_20101218.nc |

! Input forcing NetCDF file name(s) . The USER
has the option to enter
! several file names for each nested grid.
For example, the USER may
! have different files for wind products, heat
fluxes, rivers, tides,
! etc. The model will scan the file list and
will read the needed data
! from the first file in the list containing
the forcing field. Therefore,
! the order of the file names is very
important. If using multiple forcing

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! files per grid, first enter all the file
names for grid 1, then grid 2,
! and so on. It is also possible to split
input data time records into
! several NetCDF files (see prologue
instructions above). Use a single line
! per entry with a continuation (\) or
vertical bar (|) symbol after each
! entry, except the last one.

NFILES == 10
number of unique forcing files

FRCNAME ==
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Winds/C
lifilo/New/waipaoa_swradhr_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Winds/C
lifilo/New/waipaca_windhr_nzlam_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Winds/C
lifilo/New/waipaoa_apresshr_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Winds/C
lifilo/New/waipaoa_cloud_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Winds/C
lifilo/New/waipaoa_rainhr_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Winds/C
lifilo/New/waipaca_relhumhr_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/Winds/C
lifilo/New/waipaoa_temphr_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/NZwave/
waipaoa_waves3_new.nc \
/export/home2/moriarty/Waipaoa/Forcing/RIVER/W
aipaoa_river_newpartitions.nc \

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GSTNAME == ocean_gst.nc
RSTNAME == Results/ocean_rst2.nc
HISNAME == Results/ocean_his2.nc
TLMNAME == ocean_tlm.nc
TLFNAME == ocean_tlf.nc
ADJNAME == ocean_adj.nc
AVGNAME == ocean_avg.nc
DIANAME == ocean_dia.nc
STANAME == ocean_sta.nc
FLTNAME == ocean_flt.nc

! Output NetCDF file names, [1:Ngrids].

! Input ASCII parameter filenames.

APARNAM = s4dvar.in
SPOSNAM = stations.in
FPOSNAM = floats.in
BPARNAM = bio_Fennel.in
SPARNAM = External/sediment_waipaoa2.in
USRNAME = MyFile.dat

! GLOSSARY:
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! Application title (string with a maximum of
! eighty characters) and
! C-preprocessing flag.
!-----!
! TITLE Application title.
!-----!
! MyAppCPP Application C-preprocessing
option.
!-----!

! Ngrids Number of nested grids. It
needs to be read at the top of all
other parameters in order to
allocate all model variables.
!-----!

! Grid dimension parameters.
!-----!

! These parameters are very important since
they determine the grid of the
application to solve. They need to be read
first in order to dynamically
allocate all model variables.
!-----!

! WARNING: It is trivial and possible to
change these dimension parameters in
idealized applications via
analytical expressions. However, in
realistic applications any change to these
parameters requires redoing all
input NetCDF files.
!-----!

! Lm Number of INTERIOR grid RHO-
points in the XI-direction for
each nested grid, [1:Ngrids].
!-----!
If using NetCDF files as
"xi_rho" input, Lm=xi_rho-2 where
"xi_rho" is the NetCDF file
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!
! Recall that all RHO-point
! variables have a
computational I-range of [0:Lm+1].
!
! Mm Number of INTERIOR grid RHO-
points in the ETA-direction for
each nested grid, [1:Ngrids].
!
! If using NetCDF files as
! input, Mm=eta_rho-2 where
!"eta_rho" is the NetCDF file
dimension of RHO-points.
!
! Recall that all RHO-point
variables have a
computational J-range of [0:Mm+1].
!
! N Number of vertical terrain-
following levels at RHO-points,
[1:Ngrids].
!
! Nbéd Number of sediment bed layers,
[1:Ngrids]. This parameter
is only relevant if CPP
option SEDIMENT is activated.
!
! Mm+1 _____
!
! Kw = N | _____
! | Mm | _____ |
! | Kr = N | _____ |
!
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I_r L_m L_{m+1}

h(i,j) | _____ |

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NAT Number of active tracer type

variables. Usually, NAT=2 for

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!
! potential temperature and
! salinity.
!
! NPT      Number of inert (dyes, age,
! etc) passive tracer type variables
! to advect and diffuse only.
! This parameter is only relevant if
! CPP option T_PASSIVE is
! activated.
!
! NCS      Number of cohesive (mud)
! sediment tracer type variables. This
! parameter is only relevant if
! CPP option SEDIMENT is
! activated.
!
! NNS      Number of non-cohesive (sand)
! sediment tracer type variables.
! This parameter is only
! relevant if CPP option SEDIMENT is
! activated.
!
! The total number of sediment
! tracers is NST=NCS+NNS. Notice
! that NST must be greater than
! zero (NST>0).
!
!-----.
!-----.
! Domain tile partition parameters.
!-----.

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! Model tile decomposition parameters for
! serial and parallel configurations
! which are used to determine tile horizontal
range indices (Istr, Iend) and
!(Jstr, Jend). In some computers, it is
advantageous to have tile partitions
in serial applications.
!
! NtileI Number of domain partitions in
the I-direction (XI-coordinate).
! It must be equal to or greater
than one.
!
! NtileJ Number of domain partitions in
the J-direction (ETA-coordinate).
! It must be equal to or greater
than one.
!
! WARNING: In shared-memory (OpenMP), the
product of NtileI and NtileJ must
be a MULTIPLE of the number of
parallel threads specified with
the OpenMP environmental
variable OMP_NUM_THREADS.
!
! In distributed-memory (MPI),
the product of NtileI and NtileJ
must be EQUAL to the number of
parallel nodes specified during
execution with the "mprun" or
"mpirun" command.


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! LBC(isVbar) 2D V-momentum, [1:4, Ngrids] ! and adjoint-based algorithm. Usually
values are expected. activated with radiation boundary
! LBC(isUvel) 3D U-momentum, [1:4, Ngrids] ! conditions to enforce global mass
values are expected. conservation. Notice that these switches
! LBC(isVvel) 3D V-momentum, [1:4, Ngrids] ! should not be activated if tidal forcing
values are expected. enabled, [1:Ngrids] values are
! LBC(isMtke) Mixing TKE, ! expected.
values are expected.

! LBC(isTrvar) Tracers, [1:4, 1:NAT+NPT, ! VolCons(west) Western boundary
Ngrids] values are expected. volume conservation switch.
! VolCons(east) Eastern boundary
volume conservation switch.

! Similarly, the adjoint-based algorithms
(ADM, TIM, RPM) can have different
lateral boundary conditions keywords:
! ad_LBC(isFsur) Free-surface, [1:4, Ngrids]
values are expected.
! ad_LBC(isubar) 2D U-momentum, [1:4, Ngrids] ! ad_VolCons(west) Western boundary
values are expected. volume conservation switch.
! ad_LBC(isvbar) 2D V-momentum, [1:4, Ngrids] ! ad_VolCons(east) Eastern boundary
values are expected. volume conservation switch.
! ad_LBC(isUvel) 3D U-momentum, [1:4, Ngrids] ! ad_VolCons(south) Southern boundary
values are expected. volume conservation switch.
! ad_LBC(isVvel) 3D V-momentum, [1:4, Ngrids] ! ad_VolCons(north) Northern boundary
values are expected. volume conservation switch.
! ad_LBC(isMtke) Mixing TKE,
values are expected.
! ad_LBC(isTrvar) Tracers, [1:4, ! Time-Stepping parameters.
1:NAT+NPT, Ngrids] values are expected.
! Lateral open boundary edge volume
conservation switch for nonlinear model
!
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! NTIMES      Total number time-steps in
! current run. If 3D configuration,
! NTIMES is the total of
! baroclinic time-steps. If only 2D
! configuration, NTIMES is the
! total of barotropic time-steps.
!
! DT          Time-Step size in seconds. If
! 3D configuration, DT is the
! size of the baroclinic time-
! step. If only 2D configuration,
! DT is the size of the
! barotropic time-step.
!
! NDTFAST     Number of barotropic time-steps
! between each baroclinic time
! step. If only 2D configuration,
! NDTFAST should be unity since
! there is no need to split time-
! stepping.
!
! Model iteration loops parameters.
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!
! ERstr       Starting ensemble run
!(perturbation or iteration) number.
!
! ERend       Ending ensemble run
!(perturbation or iteration) number.
!
! Nouter      Maximum number of 4DVAR outer
loop iterations.
!
! Ninner      Maximum number of 4DVAR inner
loop iterations.
!
! Nintervals  Number of time interval
divisions for Stochastic Optimals
computations. It must be a
multiple of NTIMES. The tangent
linear model (TLM) and the
adjoint model (ADM) are integrated
forward and backward at
different intervals. For example,
if Nintervals=3,
!
! 2*NTIMES/3   1           NTIMES
! +.....+.....+.....+.....+.....+
!
! <======> (1)
!
! <======> (2)
!
! <======> (3)
!
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! initialization. If NRREC is
! negative (say NRREC=-1), the
! model will re-start from the
most recent time record. That
is assigned internally.
! Notice that it is also possible
to re-start from a history
or time-averaged NetCDF file.
! If a history file is used
for re-start, it must contains
all the necessary primitive
variables at all levels.
!
! LcycleRST Logical switch (T/F) used to
recycle time records in output
re-start file. IF TRUE, only
the latest two re-start time
records are maintained. If
FALSE, all re-start fields are
saved every NRST time-steps
without recycling. The re-start
fields are written at all
levels in double precision.
!
! NRST Number of time-steps between
writing of re-start fields.
!
! NSTA Number of time-steps between
writing data into stations file.
! Station data is written at all
levels.

!
! NFLT Number of time-steps between
writing data into floats file.
!
! NINFO Number of time-steps between
print of single line information
to standard output. It also
determines the interval between
computation of global energy
diagnostics.
!
! Output history and average files
parameters.
!
! LDEFOUT Logical switch (T/F) used to
create new output files when
initializing from a re-start
file, abs(NRREC) > 0. If TRUE
and applicable, a new history,
average, diagnostic and
station files are created
during the initialization stage.
! If FALSE and applicable, data
is appended to existing
history, average, diagnostic
and station files. See also
parameters NDEFHIS, NDEFAVG and
NDEFDIA below.

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!
! NHIS    Number of time-steps between
writing fields into history file.
!

! NDEFHIS   Number of time-steps between
the creation of new history file.
! If NDEFHIS=0, the model will
only process one history file.
! This feature is useful for long
simulations when history files
get too large; it creates a new
file every NDEFHIS time-steps.
!

! NTSAVG   Starting time-step for the
accumulation of output time-averaged
data.
!

! NAVG     Number of time-steps between
writing time-averaged data
into averages file. Averaged
date is written for all fields.
!

! NDEFAVG  Number of time-steps between
the creation of new average
file. If NDEFAVG=0, the model
will only process one average
file. This feature is useful
for long simulations when
average files get too large; it
creates a new file every
NDEFAVG time-steps.
!

! NTSDIA   Starting time-step for the
accumulation of output time-averaged
diagnostics data.
!

! NDIA     Number of time-steps between
writing time-averaged diagnostics
data into diagnostics file.
! Averaged date is written for all
fields.
!

! NDEFDIA  Number of time-steps between
the creation of new time-averaged
diagnostics file. If
NDEFDIA=0, the model will only process one
diagnostics file. This feature
is useful for long simulations
when diagnostics files get too
large; it creates a new file
every NDEFDIA time-steps.
!

! Output tangent linear and adjoint model
parameters.
!

! LcycleLM Logical switch (T/F) used to
recycle time records in output
tangent linear file. If TRUE,
only the latest two time
!
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! records are maintained. If
! FALSE, all tangent linear fields
! are saved every NTLM time-steps
without recycling.
!
! NTLM Number of time-steps between
writing fields into tangent linear
model file.
!
! NDEFADJ Number of time-steps between
the creation of new adjoint file.
! If NDEFADJ=0, the model will
only process one adjoint file.
!
! This feature is useful for long
simulations when output NetCDF
files get too large; it creates
a new file every NDEFADJ
time-steps.
!
! NDEFTLM Number of time-steps between
the creation of new tangent linear
file. If NDEFTLM=0, the model
will only process one tangent
linear file. This feature is
useful for long simulations when
output NetCDF files get too
large; it creates a new file every
NDEFTLM time-steps.
!
! LcycleADJ Logical switch (T/F) used to
recycle time records in output
adjoint file. If TRUE, only
the latest two time records are
maintained. If FALSE, all
tangent linear fields re saved
every NADJ time-steps without
recycling.
!
! NADJ Number of time-steps between
writing fields into adjoint model
file.
!
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! NOBC      Number of time-steps between
4DVAR adjustment of open boundary
! fields. In strong constraint
4DVAR, it is possible to adjust
! open boundaries at other time
intervals in addition to initial
! time. This parameter is used
to store the appropriate number
! of open boundary records in the
output history NetCDF files:
! 1+NTIMES/NOBC records. NOBC
must be a factor of NTIMES or
! greater than NTIMES. If NOBC >
NTIMES, only one record is
! stored in the NetCDF files and
the adjustment is for constant
! forcing with constant
correction. This parameter is only
! relevant in 4DVAR when
activating ADJUST_BOUNDARY.
!-----!
! Generalized Stability Theory (GST) analysis
parameters.
!-----!
! LmultGST Logical switch (TRUE/FALSE) to
write out one GST analysis
! eigenvector per history file.
!
!
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! LrstGST Logical switch (TRUE/FALSE) to
restart GST analysis. If TRUE,
! the check pointing data is read
in from the GST restart NetCDF
! file. If FALSE and applicable,
the check pointing GST data is
! saved and overwritten every
NGST iterations of the algorithm.
!

! MaxIterGST Maximum number of GST algorithm
iterations.
!

! NGST Number of GST iterations
between storing of check pointing
! data into NetCDF file. The
restart data is always saved if
! MaxIterGST is reached without
convergence. It is also saved
! when convergence is achieved.
It is always a good idea to
! save the check pointing data at
regular intervals so there
! is a mechanism to recover from
an unexpected interruption
! in this very expensive
computation. The check pointing data
! can be used also to recompute
the Ritz vectors by changing
! some of the parameters, like
convergence criteria (Ritz_tol)
! and number of Arnoldi
iterations (iparam(3)).

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!
! Ritz_tol   Relative accuracy of the Ritz
values computed in the GST
analysis.
!-----!
!-----!
! Harmonic/Biharmonic horizontal diffusion for
active tracers.
!-----!
!-----!
!
! TNU2      Nonlinear model lateral,
harmonic, constant, mixing
! coefficient (m2/s) for active
(NAT) and inert (NPT) tracer
! variables. If variable
horizontal diffusion is activated,
! TNU2 is the mixing coefficient
for the largest grid-cell
in the domain.
!
! TNU4      Nonlinear model lateral,
biharmonic, constant, mixing
! coefficient (m4/s) for active
(NAT) and inert (NPT) tracer
! variables. If variable
horizontal diffusion is activated,
! TNU4 is the mixing coefficient
for the largest grid-cell
in the domain.
!
! ad_TNU2   Adjoint-based algorithms
lateral, harmonic, constant, mixing
coefficient (m2/s) for active
(NAT) and inert (NPT) tracer
!
variables. If variable
horizontal diffusion is activated,
! ad_TNU2 is the mixing
coefficient for the largest grid-cell
in the domain. In some
applications, a larger value than
that used in the nonlinear
model (basic state) is necessary
for stability.
!
! ad_TNU4   Adjoint-based algorithms
lateral, biharmonic, constant, mixing
coefficient (m4/s) for active
(NAT) and inert (NPT) tracer
!
variables. If variable
horizontal diffusion is activated,
! ad_TNU4 is the mixing
coefficient for the largest grid-cell
in the domain. In some
applications, a larger value than
that used in the nonlinear
model (basic state) is necessary
for stability.
!-----!
! Harmonic/biharmonic horizontal viscosity
coefficients.

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!-----.
!-----.
!-----.
!-----.

!      state) is necessary for
!      stability.
!
!      VISC2   Nonlinear model lateral,
!      harmonic, constant, mixing
!      coefficient (m2/s) for
!      momentum. If variable horizontal
!      viscosity is activated, UVNU2
!      is the mixing coefficient
!      for the largest grid-cell in
!      the domain.
!
!      VISC4   Nonlinear model lateral,
!      biharmonic, constant mixing
!      coefficient (m4/s) for
!      momentum. If variable horizontal
!      viscosity is activated, UVNU4
!      is the mixing coefficient
!      for the largest grid-cell in
!      the domain.
!
!      ad_VISC2   Adjoint-based algorithms
!      lateral, harmonic, constant, mixing
!      coefficient (m2/s) for
!      momentum. If variable horizontal
!      viscosity is activated,
!      ad_UVNU2 is the mixing coefficient
!      for the largest grid-cell in
!      the domain. In some applications,
!      a larger value than that used
!      in the nonlinear model (basic
!      state) is necessary for
!      stability.
!
!-----.
!-----.
!-----.
!-----.

!      ad_VISC4   Adjoint-based algorithms
!      lateral, biharmonic, constant mixing
!      coefficient (m4/s) for
!      momentum. If variable horizontal
!      viscosity is activated,
!      ad_UVNU4 is the mixing coefficient
!      for the largest grid-cell in
!      the domain. In some applications,
!      a larger value than that used
!      in the nonlinear model (basic
!      state) is necessary for
!      stability.
!
!-----.
!-----.
!-----.
!-----.

!      AKT_BAK   Background vertical mixing
!      coefficient (m2/s) for active
!      (NAT) and inert (NPT) tracer
!      variables.
!
!      ad_AKT_fac   Adjoint-based algorithms
!      vertical mixing, basic state, scale
!      factor (nondimensional) for
!      active (NAT) and inert (NPT)

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! tracer variables. In some
! applications, a smaller/larger
! values of vertical mixing are
! necessary for stability. It
! is only used when
! FORWARD_MIXING is activated.
!

!-----[-----]
! Vertical mixing coefficient for momentum.
!-----[-----]
! AKV_BAK Background vertical mixing
! coefficient (m2/s) for momentum.
!-----[-----]
! ad_AKV_fac Adjoint-based algorithms
! vertical mixing, basic state, scale
! factor (nondimensional) for
! momentum. In some applications,
! a smaller/larger values of
! vertical mixing are necessary for
! stability. It is only used when
! FORWARD_MIXING is activated.
!

!-----[-----]
! Turbulent closure parameters.
!-----[-----]
!-----[-----]
!
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! AKK_BAK Background vertical mixing
! coefficient (m²/s) for turbulent
! kinetic energy.
!
! AKP_BAK Background vertical mixing
! coefficient (m²/s) for turbulent
! generic statistical field,
!"psi".
!
!-----[-----]
! TKENU2 Lateral, harmonic, constant,
! mixing coefficient (m²/s) for
! turbulent closure variables.
!
!-----[-----]
! TKENU4 Lateral, biharmonic, constant
! mixing coefficient (m⁴/s) for
! turbulent closure variables.
!-----[-----]
!-----[-----]
! Generic length-scale turbulence closure
! parameters.
!-----[-----]
!-----[-----]
! GLS_P Stability exponent (non-
! dimensional).
!
! GLS_M Turbulent kinetic energy
! exponent (non-dimensional).
!
! GLS_N Turbulent length scale exponent
!(non-dimensional).

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!
! GLS_Kmin Minimum value of specific
! turbulent kinetic energy
!
! GLS_Pmin Minimum Value of dissipation.
!
! Closure independent constraint parameters
!(non-dimensional):
!
! GLS_CMU0 Stability coefficient.
!
! GLS_C1 Shear production coefficient.
!
! GLS_C2 Dissipation coefficient.
!
! GLS_C3M Buoyancy production coefficient
!(minus).
!
! GLS_C3P Buoyancy production coefficient
!(plus).
!
! GLS_SIGK Constant Schmidt number (non-
dimensional) for turbulent
kinetic energy diffusivity.
!
! GLS_SIGP Constant Schmidt number (non-
dimensional) for turbulent
generic statistical field,
"psi".
!
! Suggested values for various
parameterizations:

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! Constants used in the various formulations
! of surface turbulent kinetic
! energy flux in the GLS.
!-----!
! RDRG      Linear bottom drag coefficient
! (m/s).
!-----!
! RDRG2     Quadratic bottom drag
! coefficient.
!-----!
! CHARNOK_ALPHA Charnok surface roughness,
! Zos: (charnok_alpha *
! u_star**2) / g
!-----!
! ZOS_HSIG_ALPHA Roughness from wave
! amplitude,
! Zos: zos_hsig_alpha *
! Hsig
!-----!
! SZ_ALPHA Surface flux from wave
! dissipation,
! flux: dt * sz_alpha *
! Wave_dissip
!-----!
! CRGBAN_CW Surface flux due to Craig
! and Banner wave breaking,
! flux: dt * crgban_cw *
! u_star**3
!-----!
! Constants used in the computation of
! momentum stress.
!-----!
! RDRG      Linear bottom drag coefficient
! (m/s).
!-----!
! RDRG2     Quadratic bottom drag
! coefficient.
!-----!
! Zob       Bottom roughness (m).
!-----!
! Zos       Surface roughness (m).
!-----!
!-----!
! Height of atmospheric measurements for bulk
! fluxes parameterization.
!-----!
! BLK_ZQ    Height (m) of surface air
! humidity measurement. Usually,
! recorded at 10 m.
!-----!
! BLK_ZT    Height (m) of surface air
! temperature measurement. Usually,
! recorded at 2 or 10 m.
!-----!
! BLK_ZW    Height (m) of surface winds
! measurement. Usually, recorded
! at 10 m.
!-----!
! Wetting and drying parameters.

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!
! DCRIT      Minimum depth (m) for wetting
! and drying.
!
! ! The parameters below must be consistent in
! all input fields associated with
! the vertical grid. The same vertical grid
! transformation (depths) needs to
! be used when preparing initial conditions,
! boundary conditions, climatology,
! observations, and so on. Please check:
!
!
! WTTYPE      Jerlov water type: an integer
! value from 1 to 5.
!
!
! BODYFORCE   Body-force parameters. Used when CPP option
! BODYFORCE is activated.
!
!
! LEVSFRC    Deepest level to apply surface
! momentum stress as a body-force.
!
! LEVBFRCC   Shallowest level to apply
! bottom momentum stress as a body-force.
!
! Vertical S-coordinates parameters.
!
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(1) Original formulation
 (Shchepetkin and McWilliams, 2005),
 Vtransform=1 (In ROMS
 since 1999)

$z(x, Y, s, t) = z_o(x, Y, s) + \zeta(x, Y, t) * [1 + z_o(x, Y, s) / h(x, Y)]$

where

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!
!  $Z_O(x, y, s) = hc * s + [h(x, y) -$ 
!  $hc] * C(s)$  ! Vstretching Vertical stretching function,
!
! (2) Improved formulation (A. Shchepetkin, 2005), ! C(s):
! Vtransform=2 ! (1) Original function (Song and Haidvogel, 1994),
! Vstretching=1 ! C(s) =  $(1 -$ 
! theta_b) * [SINH(s * theta_s) / SINH(theta_s)] +
! 0.5 + 0.5 * TANH(theta_s * (s + 0.5)) /
! TANH(0.5 * theta_s)
!
! ZO(x, y, s, t) = zeta(x, y, t) * [zeta(x, y, t) + h(x, y)] * ZO(x, y, s) ! (2) A. Shchepetkin (2005)
! where
!
! ZO(x, y, s) = [hc * s(k) + h(x, y) * C(k)] / [hc + h(x, y)] ! function,
! Vstretching=2 ! The true sigma-coordinate
! system is recovered as hc goes
! to INFINITY. This is
! useful when configuring applications
! with flat bathymetry and
! uniform level thickness.
!
! Practically, you can
! achieve this by setting:
!
! THETA_S = 0.0d0 ! Csur(s) =  $[1 -$ 
! THETA_B = 0.0d0 ! COSH(theta_s * s)] / [COSH(theta_s) - 1]
! TCLINE = 1.0d+17 ! Cbot(s) =  $-1 + [1 -$ 
! (a large number) ! SINH(theta_b * (s + 1))] / SINH(theta_b)
! Cweight = (s + 1) * alpha *
! (1 + (alpha/beta) * (1 - (s + 1) * beta))
!
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!
! (3) R. Geyer function for
! shallow sediment applications,
! Vstretching=3
!
! C (s)=[EXP(theta_b*C(s))-1]/[1-EXP(-theta_b)]
!
! The resulting double
! transformation is continuous with
! respect control
! parameters theta_s and theta_b with a
! meaningful range of:
!
! where
!
! Csur (s)=-
! LOG(COSH(Hscale*ABS(s)*(1-Cweight)*Csur(s))/
! LOG(COSH(Hscale))
!
! Cbot (s)=
! LOG(COSH(Hscale*(s+1)*(beta))/
! LOG(COSH(Hscale))-1
!
! Cweight=0.5*(1-
! TANH(Hscale*(s+0.5)))
!
! (4) A. Sncheptkin (2010)
! improved double stretching function,
! Vstretching=4
!
! C (s)=[1-
! COSH(theta_s*s)]/[COSH(theta_s)-1]
!
! with bottom refinement
!
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Many other stretching functions
(Vstretching>4) are possible
provided that:

* $C(s)$ is a dimensionless,
nonlinear, monotonic function.
* $C(s)$ is a continuous
differentiable function, or
a differentiable piecewise
function with smooth transition.

* The stretching vertical
coordinate s , is constrained
between $-1 \leq s \leq 0$, with
 $s=0$ corresponding to the
free-surface and $s=-1$
corresponding to the bathymetry.

* Similarly, the stretching
function, $C(s)$, is constrained
between $-1 \leq C(s) \leq 0$,
with $C(0)=0$ corresponding to the

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! free-surface and C(-1)=-1
!
! corresponding to the bathymetry.
!
! These functions are coded in
! routine "Utility/set_scoord.F".
!
! Due to its functionality and properties, the
! default and recommended vertical
! coordinates transformation is:
!
Vtransform = 2
Vstretching = 4
!
! THETA_S S-coordinate surface control
! parameter. The range of optimal
! values depends on the vertical
! stretching function, C(s).
!
! THETA_B S-coordinate bottom control
! parameter. The range of optimal
! values depends on the vertical
! stretching function, C(s).
!
! TCLINE Critical depth (hc) in meters
! (positive) controlling the
! stretching. It can be
! interpreted as the width of surface or
! bottom boundary layer in which
! higher vertical resolution
! (levels) is required during
! stretching.
!
! RHO0 Mean density (Kg/m3) used when
! the Boussinesq approximation
! is inferred.
!
! BVF_BAK Background Brunt-Vaisala
! frequency squared (1/s2). Typical
! values for the ocean range (as
! a function of depth) from
! 1.0E-4 to 1.0E-6.
!
! Time Stamps.
!
! DSTART Time stamp assigned to model
! initialization (days). Usually
! a Calendar linear coordinate,
! like modified Julian Day. For
! Example:
!
! Julian Day = 1 for
Nov 25, 0:0:0 4713 BCE

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!      modified Julian Day = 1   for      ! time-units since 1968-
May 24, 0:0:0 1968 CE GMT      ! 05-23 00:00:00 GMT,
!
!      It is called truncated or      !
!      modified Julian day because an offset      !
!      of 2440000 needs to be added.      !
!
!      TIDE_START Reference time origin for tidal      !
!      forcing (days). This is the      !
!      time used when processing input      !
!      tidal model data. It is needed      !
!      in routine "set_tides" to      !
!      compute the correct phase lag with      !
!      respect ROMS/TOMS      !
!      initialization time.      !
!
!      TIME_REF Reference time (yyyymmdd.f)      !
!      used to compute relative time:      !
!      elapsed time interval since      !
!      reference-time. The "units"      !
!      attribute takes the form "time-      !
!      unit since reference-time".      !
!      This parameter also provides      !
!      information about the calendar      !
!      used:      !
!
!      If TIME_REF = -2, model time      !
!      and DSTART are in modified Julian      !
!      days units. The "units"      !
!      attribute is:      !
!
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! Nudging/relaxation time scales, inverse
! scales will be computed internally.
!-----!
! When passive/active open boundary conditions
! are activated, these nudging
! values correspond to the passive (outflow)
! nudging time scales.
!-----!
! TNUDG      Nudging time scale (days) for
! active tracer variables.
! (1:NAT+NPT,1:Ngrids) values are
! expected.
!-----!
! ZNUDG      Nudging time scale (days) for
! free-surface.
!-----!
! M2NUDG     Nudging time scale (days) for
! 2D momentum.
!-----!
! M3NUDG     Nudging time scale (days) for
! 3D momentum.
!-----!
! OBCFAC     Factor between passive
! (outflow) and active (inflow) open
! boundary conditions. The
! nudging time scales for the
! active (inflow) conditions are
! obtained by multiplying
! the passive values by OBCFAC.
! If OBCFAC > 1, nudging on
!-----!
! When passive/active open boundary conditions
! are activated, these nudging
! values correspond to the passive (outflow)
! nudging time scales.
!-----!
! Linear equation of State parameters.
!-----!
! Ignoring pressure, the linear equation of
! state is:
!-----!
! rho(:,:, :) = R0 - R0 * TCOEF *
! (t(:,:, :, itemp) - T0)
! + R0 * SCOEF *
! (t(:,:, :, isalt) - S0)
!-----!
! Typical values:
!-----!
! kg/m3
! Celsius
! PSU
!-----!
! R0 = 1027.0
! T0 = 10.0
! S0 = 35.0
!-----!
! TCOEF = 1.7d-4
! SCOEF = 7.6d-4
!-----!
! R0          Background density value
! (Kg/m3) used in Linear Equation of
! State.

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! TO      Background potential
temperature (Celsius) constant.
!
! S0      Background salinity (PSU)
constant.

!
! TCOEF   Thermal expansion coefficient
in Linear Equation of State.
!
! SCOEF   Saline contraction coefficient
in Linear Equation of State.
!

!-----[----]
! Slipperness parameter.
!-----[----]

!
! GAMMA2  Slipperness variable, either
1.0 (free slip) or -1.0 (no slip).
!-----[----]
! Tracer point Sources/Sink sources switches.
!-----[----]

!
! LtracerSrc Logical switches (T/F) to
specify which tracer variables
to consider when the option
TS_PSOURCE is activated. Only
!
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! NAT active tracers
(temperature, salinity) and NPT inert
tracers need to be specified
here:

! LtracerSrc(itemp,ng) for
temperature (itemp=1)
! LtracerSrc(isalt,ng) for
salinity (isalt=2)
! LtracerSrc(NAT+1,ng) for
inert tracer 1
! ...
! LtracerSrc(NAT+NPT,ng) for
inert tracer NPT

! Other biological and sediment
tracers switches are specified in
their respective input scripts.

! Recall that TS_PSOURCE is
usually activated to add river runoff
as a point source. At minimum,
it is necessary to specify both
temperature and salinity for
all rivers. The other tracers are
optional.

! This logical switch REPLACES
and ELIMINATES the need to have
or read the variable
"river_flag(river)" in the input rivers
forcing NetCDF file:


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! KstrS      Starting vertical level of the
3D adjoint state variables whose
! sensitivity is required.
! Kends      Ending vertical level of the
3D adjoint state variables whose
! sensitivity is required.
!
! Lstate     Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE)
to specify the adjoint state
variables whose sensitivity
is required.
!
! Istate(isFsur) : Free-
surface
!
! Istate(isUbar) : 2D U-
momentum
!
! Istate(isVbar) : 2D V-
momentum
!
! Istate(isUvel) : 3D U-
momentum
!
! Istate(isVvel) : 3D V-
momentum
!
! Istate(isTvar) : Traces (NT
values expected)
!
! Istate(isUstr) : surface U-
stress
!
! Istate(isVstr) : surface V-
stress
!
! Istate(isTsur) : surface
tracers flux (NT values expected)
!
! SO_decay   Stochastic Optimals time
decorrelation scale (days) assumed
for red noise processes.
!
! SO_sdev    Stochastic Optimals surface
forcing standard deviation for
!
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!-----|
!-----| dimensionalization.
!-----|
!-----| ! Hout(idVvel) Write out 3D V-velocity
!-----| component.
!-----| ! Hout(idu3dE) Write out 3D Eastward
!-----| velocity component at RHO-points.
!-----| ! Hout(idv3dN) Write out 3D Northward
!-----| velocity component at RHO-points.
!-----| ! Hout(idWvel) Write out 3D W-velocity
!-----| component.
!-----| ! Hout(idOvel) Write out 3D omega vertical
!-----| velocity.
!-----| ! Hout(idubar) Write out 2D U-velocity
!-----| component.
!-----| ! Hout(idbar) Write out 2D V-velocity
!-----| component.
!-----| ! Hout(id2dE) Write out 2D Eastward
!-----| velocity component at RHO-points.
!-----| ! Hout(idv2dN) Write out 2D Northward
!-----| velocity component at RHO-points.
!-----| ! Hout(idFsur) Write out free-surface.
!-----| ! Hout(idBath) Write out time-dependent
!-----| bathymetry.
!-----| ! Hout(idTvar) Write out active (NAT)
!-----| tracers: temperature and salinity.
!-----| ! Hout(idUssms) Write out surface U-momentum
!-----| stress.
!-----| ! Hout(idVssms) Write out surface V-momentum
!-----| stress.
!-----| ! Hout(idUbms) Write out bottom U-momentum
!-----| stress.
!-----| ! Hout(idUvel) Write out 3D U-velocity
!-----| component.

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! Hout(idVbms) Write out bottom V-momentum
! stress. ! Hout(idU2rs) Write out 2D U-radiation
stress. ! Hout(idV2rs) Write out 2D V-radiation
stress. ! Hout(idU2Sd) Write out 2D U-Stokes
velocity. ! Hout(idV2Sd) Write out 2D V-Stokes
velocity.

! Hout(idUbrs) Write out current-induced, U-
momentum stress. ! Hout(idW3xx) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Sxx component.
! Hout(idVbrs) Write out current-induced, V-
momentum stress. ! Hout(idW3xy) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Sxy component.
! Hout(idUbw) Write out wind-induced,
bottom U-wave stress. ! Hout(idW3yy) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Syy component.
! Hout(idVbw) Write out wind-induced,
bottom V-wave stress. ! Hout(idW3zx) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Szx component.
! Hout(idUbc) Write out bottom maximum wave
and current U-stress. ! Hout(idW3zy) Write out 3D radiation
stress, SzY component.
! Hout(idVbc) Write out bottom maximum wave
and current V-stress. ! Hout(idU3rs) Write out 3D U-radiation
stress.
! Hout(idUbot) Write out wind-induced, bed
wave orbital U-velocity. ! Hout(idV3rs) Write out 3D V-radiation
stress.
! Hout(idVbot) Write out wind-induced, bed
wave orbital V-velocity.
! Hout(idUbur) Write out bottom U-velocity
above bed.
! Hout(idVbvr) Write out bottom V-velocity
above bed.
! Hout(idW2xx) Write out 2D radiation
stress, Sxx component.
! Hout(idW2xy) Write out 2D radiation
stress, Sxy component.
! Hout(idW2yy) Write out 2D radiation
stress, Syy component.

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! Hout(idWppt) Write out wave surface period. ! Hout(idSdif) Write out vertical diffusion coefficient of salinity.
! Hout(idWpbt) Write out wave bottom period. ! Hout(idHsbl) Write out depth of oceanic surface boundary layer.
! Hout(idWorb) Write out wave bottom orbital velocity. ! Hout(idHbb1) Write out depth of oceanic bottom boundary layer.
! Hout(idwdis) Write out wave dissipation. ! Hout(idMtke) Write out turbulent kinetic energy.
! Hout(idPair) Write out surface air pressure. ! Hout(idMtls) Write out turbulent kinetic energy times length scale.
! Hout(idUair) Write out surface U-wind component. ! Hout(inert) Write out extra inert passive tracers.
! Hout(idTsur) Write out surface net heat and salt flux. ! Hout(idBott) Write out exposed sediment layer properties, 1:MBOTP.
! Hout(idLhea) Write out latent heat flux. ! Hout(idShea) Write out sensible heat flux.
! Hout(idLrad) Write out long-wave radiation flux. ! Logical switches (T/F) to activate writing of time-averaged fields into AVERAGE file.
! Hout(idSrad) Write out short-wave radiation flux. ! Aout(idUvel) Write out 3D U-velocity component.
! Hout(idEmPf) Write out E-P flux. ! Aout(idVvel) Write out 3D V-velocity component.
! Hout(idevap) Write out evaporation rate. ! Aout(id3dE) Write out 3D Eastward velocity component at RHO-points.
! Hout(idrain) Write out precipitation rate.
! Hout(idDano) Write out density anomaly.
! Hout(idVvis) Write out vertical viscosity coefficient.
! Hout(idTdif) Write out vertical diffusion coefficient of temperature.

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! Aout(idv3dN) Write out 3D Northward
velocity component at RHO-points.
! Aout(idwvel) Write out 3D W-velocity
component.
! Aout(idovel) Write out 3D omega vertical
velocity.
! Aout(idubar) Write out 2D U-velocity
component.
! Aout(idvbar) Write out 2D V-velocity
component.
! Aout(idu2dE) Write out 2D Eastward
velocity component at RHO-points.
! Aout(idv2dN) Write out 2D Northward
velocity component at RHO-points.
! Aout(idFsur) Write out free-surface.
!
! Aout(idTvar) Write out active (NAT)
tracers: temperature and salinity.
!
! Aout(idUmsm) Write out surface U-momentum
stress.
! Aout(idVmsm) Write out surface V-momentum
stress.
! Aout(idUBms) Write out bottom U-momentum
stress.
! Aout(idVBms) Write out bottom V-momentum
stress.
!
! Aout(idW2xx) Write out 2D radiation
stress, Sxx component.
! Aout(idW2xy) Write out 2D radiation
stress, Sxy component.
! Aout(idW2yy) Write out 2D radiation
stress, Syy component.
! Aout(idU2rs) Write out 2D U-radiation
stress.
! Aout(idV2rs) Write out 2D V-radiation
stress.
! Aout(idU2Sd) Write out 2D U-Stokes
velocity.
! Aout(idV2Sd) Write out 2D V-Stokes
velocity.
!
! Aout(idW3xx) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Sxx component.
! Aout(idW3xy) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Sxy component.
! Aout(idW3yy) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Syy component.
! Aout(idW3zx) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Szx component.
! Aout(idW3zy) Write out 3D radiation
stress, Szy component.
! Aout(idU3rs) Write out 3D U-radiation
stress.
! Aout(idV3rs) Write out 3D V-radiation
stress.
! Aout(idU3Sd) Write out 3D U-Stokes
velocity.
! Aout(idV3Sd) Write out 3D V-Stokes
velocity.
!
! Aout(idPair) Write out surface air
pressure.

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! Aout(idUair) Write out surface U-wind
component. ! Aout(id2dPV) Write out 2D potential
vorticity (shallow water).
! Aout(idVair) Write out surface V-wind
component. ! Aout(id3dPV) Write out 3D potential
vorticity.
!
! Aout(idTsur) Write out surface net heat
and salt flux ! Aout(idu3dd) Write out detidied 3D U-
velocity.
! Aout(idLhea) Write out latent heat flux. ! Aout(idv3dd) Write out detidied 3D V-
velocity.
! Aout(idshea) Write out sensible heat flux. ! Aout(idu2dd) Write out detidied 2D U-
velocity.
! Aout(idLrad) Write out long-wave radiation
flux. ! Aout(idv2dd) Write out detidied 2D V-
velocity.
! Aout(idSrad) Write out short-wave
radiation flux. ! Aout(idFsuD) Write out detidied free-
surface
!
! Aout(idDano) Write out density anomaly.
! Aout(idVvis) Write out vertical viscosity
coefficient. ! Aout(idTrCD) Write out detidied temperature
and salinity.
!
! Aout(idTdf) Write out vertical diffusion
coefficient of temperature. ! Aout(idHUav) Write out u-volume flux,
Huon.
! Aout(idsdf) Write out vertical diffusion
coefficient of salinity. ! Aout(idHVav) Write out v-volume flux,
Hvom.
! Aout(idHsbl) Write out depth of oceanic
surface boundary layer. ! Aout(idUUav) Write out quadratic <u*u>
term.
! Aout(idHbbl) Write out depth of oceanic
bottom boundary layer. ! Aout(idUVav) Write out quadratic <u*v>
term.
! Aout(id2dRV) Write out 2D relative
vorticity (vertically integrated). ! Aout(idU2av) Write out quadratic
<ubar*ubar> term.
! Aout(id3dRV) Write out 3D relative
vorticity.

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! Aout(idV2av) Write out quadratic <vbar*vbar> term. ! Dout(M2pgrd) Write out pressure gradient.
! Aout(idZZav) Write out quadratic <zeta*zeta> term. ! Dout(M2fcor) Write out Coriolis force, if UV COR.
! Aout(idTav) Write out quadratic <t*t> ! Dout(M2hadv) Write out horizontal total advection, if UV_ADV.
! Aout(idUTav) Write out quadratic <u*t> ! Dout(M2xadv) Write out horizontal XI- advection, if UV_ADV.
! Aout(idVtav) Write out quadratic <v*t> ! Dout(M2yadv) Write out horizontal ETA- advection, if UV_ADV.
! Aout(idV2av) Write out quadratic <t*t> ! Dout(M2hrad) Write out horizontal total radiation stress, NEARSHORE_MELLOR.
! Aout(idU2av) Write out quadratic <u*u> ! Dout(M2hvvis) Write out horizontal total viscosity, if UV_VIS2 or UV_VIS4.
! Aout(idV2av) Write out quadratic <v*v> ! Dout(M2xvis) Write out horizontal XI- viscosity, if UV_VIS2 or UV_VIS4.
! Aout(idV2av) Write out quadratic <v*v> ! Dout(M2yvis) Write out horizontal ETA- viscosity, if UV_VIS2 or UV_VIS4.
! Aout(inert) Write out extra inert passive tracers. ! Time-averaged, 3D momentum (u,v) diagnostic terms:
!----- ! (if SOLVE3D and DIAGNOSTICS_UV)
!----- ! Dout(M3rate) Write out acceleration.
!----- ! Dout(M3pgrd) Write out pressure gradient.
!----- ! Dout(M3fcor) Write out Coriolis force, if UV COR.
!----- ! Dout(M3hadv) Write out horizontal total advection, if UV_ADV.
!----- ! Dout(M3xadv) Write out horizontal XI- advection, if UV_ADV.

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! Logical switches (T/F) to activate writing of time-averaged fields into DIAGNOSTIC file.

! Time-averaged, 2D momentum (ubar, vbar) diagnostic terms:

! (if DIAGNOSTICS_UV)

! Dout(M2rate) Write out acceleration.

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! Dout(M3yadv) Write out horizontal ETA-
advection, if UV_ADV.
! Dout(M3hrad) Write out horizontal total
radiation stress, NEARSHORE_MELLOR.
! Dout(M3vrad) Write out vertical radiation
stress, if NEARSHORE_MELLOR.
! Dout(M3hvis) Write out horizontal total
viscosity, if UV_VIS2 or UV_VIS4.
! Dout(M3xvis) Write out horizontal XI-
viscosity, if UV_VIS2 or UV_VIS4.
! Dout(M3yvis) Write out horizontal ETA-
viscosity, if UV_VIS2 or UV_VIS4.
! Dout(M3yvis) Write out horizontal ETA-
viscosity, if UV_VIS2 or UV_VIS4.
! Dout(M3vvvis) Write out vertical viscosity.
!

! Time-averaged, active (temperature and
salinity) and passive (inert) tracer
! diagnostic terms, [1:NAT+NPT,Ngrids] values
expected:
! (if SOLVE3D and DIAGNOSTICS_TS)
!

! Dout(iTrate) Write out time rate of
change.
! Dout(iThadv) Write out horizontal total
advection.
! Dout(iTxadv) Write out horizontal XI-
advection.
! Dout(iTyadv) Write out horizontal ETA-
advection.
! Dout(iTvadv) Write out vertical advection.

! Dout(iThdif) Write out horizontal total
diffusion, if TS_DIF2 or TS_DIF4.
! Dout(iTxdif) Write out horizontal XI-
diffusion, if TS_DIF2 or TS_DIF4.
! Dout(iTydif) Write out horizontal ETA-
diffusion, if TS_DIF2 or TS_DIF4.
! Dout(iTsdif) Write out horizontal S-
diffusion, if TS_DIF2 or TS_DIF4 and
rotated tensor (MIX_GEO_TS
or MIX_ISO_TS).
! Dout(iTvdif) Write out vertical diffusion.
!

! NUSER Number of User parameters to
consider (integer).
! USER Vector containing user
parameters (real array). This array
is used with the SANITY_CHECK
to test the correctness of
the tangent linear adjoint
models. It contains information
of the model variable and
grid point to perturb:
!
! INT(user(1)): tangent state
variable to perturb

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!           INT(user(2)) : adjoint state
!           variable to perturb
!           free-surface
!           U-momentum
!           V-momentum
!           U-momentum
!
!           V-momentum
!
!           First tracer (temperature)
!
!           Last tracer
!
!           tangent variable to perturb
!           adjoint variable to perturb
!           tangent variable to perturb
!           adjoint variable to perturb
!
!           tangent variable to perturb, if 3D
!           adjoint variable to perturb, if 3D
!
!           Set tangent and adjoint
!           parameters to the same values
!           if perturbing and reporting
!           the same variable.
!-----[isFsur=1] 2D
!-----[isubar=2] 2D
!-----[isvbar=3] 2D
!-----[isuvel=4] 3D
!-----[isvvel=5] 3D
!-----[istvar=6]
!-----[...]
!-----[istvar=?]
!
!           INT(user(3)) : I-index of
!           tangent variable to perturb
!           INT(user(4)) : I-index of
!           adjoint variable to perturb
!           INT(user(5)) : J-index of
!           tangent variable to perturb
!           INT(user(6)) : J-index of
!           adjoint variable to perturb
!           INT(user(7)) : K-index of
!           tangent variable to perturb, if 3D
!           INT(user(8)) : K-index of
!           adjoint variable to perturb, if 3D
!
!           ! NC_SHUFFLE   Shuffle filter integer flag.
!           ! If non-zero, turn on shuffle
!           ! filter.
!           ! NC_DEFLATE   Deflate filter integer flag,
!           ! If non-zero, turn on deflate
!
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! The USER has the option to enter several
! file names for forcing fields
! and/or split input data time records for
each nested grid. For example,
! the USER may have different files for wind
products, heat fluxes, rivers,
! tides, etc. The model will scan the file
list and will read the needed
! data from the first file in the list
containing the forcing field.
! ! Therefore, the order of the file names is
very important. It is also
! possible to split input data time records
into several NetCDF files.
!
! Use a single line per entry with a
continuation (\) or vertical bar (|)
! symbol after each entry, except the last
one:
!
! NFFILES == 8
! number of unique forcing files
!
! FRCNAME == my_rivers.nc
! river forcing
my_tides.nc
!
! tidal forcing
my_lwrad_year1.nc
! net longwave radiation flux
my_lwrad_year2.nc
my_swrad_year1.nc
!
! surface winds
my_swrad_year2.nc
my_winds_year1.nc
!
! surface air pressure
my_winds_year2.nc
my_Pair_year1.nc
!
! surface air relative humidity
my_Qair_year2.nc
my_Qair_year1.nc
!
! surface air temperature
my_Tair_year2.nc
my_Tair_year1.nc
!
! Output file names:
GSTNAME
RSTNAME
HISNAME
TLFNAME
TLMNAME
!
ADJNAME
AVGNAME
DIANAME
STANAME
FLTNAME
!
Output re-start file name.
Output history file name.
Output impulse forcing for
tangent linear (TLM and RPM) models.
Output tangent linear file
name.
Output adjoint file name.
Output averages file name.
Output diagnostics file name.
Output stations file name.
Output floats file name.

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! Input ASCII parameters file names.  
!-----  
!  
! APARNAM      Input assimilation parameters  
file name.  
! SPOSNAM      Input stations positions file  
name.  
! FPOSNAM      Input initial drifters  
positions file name.  
! BPARNAM      Input biological parameters  
file name.  
! SPARNAM      Input sediment transport  
parameters file name.  
! USRNAME      USER's input generic file name.  
!
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! reading. Blank lines are also allowed and
! ignored. Continuation lines in
! a parameter specification are allowed and
must be preceded by a backslash !
! (\). In some instances, more than one value
is required for a parameter.
! If fewer values are provided, the last
value is assigned for the entire !
parameter array. The multiplication symbol
(*) , without blank spaces in !
between, is allowed for a parameter
specification. For example, in a two !
grids nested application:
=====
! AKT_BAK == 2*1.0d-6 2*5.0d-6
! m2/s
=====
! indicates that the first two entries of
array AKT_BAK, in fortran column-
! major order, will have the same value of
"1.0d-6" for grid 1, whereas the !
! next two entries will have the same value of
"5.0d-6" for grid 2.
!
! Input parameters can be entered in ANY
order, provided that the parameter !
KEYWORD (usually, upper case) is typed
correctly followed by "=" or "==" !
symbols. Any comment lines are allowed and
must begin with an exclamation !
! mark (!) in column one. Comments may
appear to the right of a parameter !
! specification to improve documentation.
Comments will be ignored during !
=====
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! "Ngrids" entries are expected for some of
these parameters. In such case, !


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! That is, anticlockwise starting at the
western boundary.

!
! The keyword is case insensitive and usually
has three characters. However,
! it is possible to have compound keywords, if
applicable. For example, the
! keyword "RadNud" implies radiation boundary
condition with nudging. This
! combination is usually used in
active/passive radiation conditions.

!
! NOTICE: It is possible to specify the
lateral boundary conditions for
! ===== all sediment tracers (cohesive and
noncohesive) in a compact
! form with a single entry. If so, all the
sediment tracers are assumed to
! have the same boundary as in the single
entry.

!
! Keyword      Lateral Boundary Condition Type

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!       Nud          | Nudging
!       Per          | Periodic
!       S           | Rad
!       j=1          | Radiation
2
!
i=Lm
!
i=1
!
j=1
!
i=Lm
!
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! Median sediment grain diameter (mm).
MUD_SD50 == 0.063d0 0.5d0 1.0d0 0.016d0
0.022d0 0.03d0 0.04d0

! Sediment concentration (kg/m3).
MUD_CSED == 0.0d0 10.0d0

! Sediment grain density (kg/m3).
MUD_SRHO == 2650.0d0 2650.0d0 2650.0d0
2650.0d0 2650.0d0 2650.0d0

! Particle settling velocity (mm/s).
MUD_WSED == 2.4d0 65.0d0 125.0d0 0.15d0
0.3d0 0.5d0 1.0d0

! Surface erosion rate (kg/m2/s).
MUD_ERATE == 2.0d-4 2.0d-4 2.0d-4 2.0d-4
2.0d-4 2.0d-4 2.0d-4

! Critical shear for erosion and deposition
(N/m2).
MUD_TAU_CE == 0.094d0 0.28d0 0.53d0 0.1d0
0.1d0 0.1d0 0.1d0
MUD_TAU_CD == 0.094d0 0.28d0 0.53d0 0.1d0
0.1d0 0.1d0 0.1d0

! Porosity (nondimensional: 0.0-1.0):
Vwater/(Vwater+Vsed).

MUD_POROS == 0.9d0 0.9d0 0.9d0 0.9d0
0.9d0 0.9d0 0.9d0 0.9d0

! Harmonic/biharmonic horizontal diffusion of
tracer for nonlinear model
! and adjoint-based algorithms.

MUD_TNU2 == 0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0
0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0
MUD_TNU4 == 0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0
0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0 0.0d0

ad MUD_TNU2 == 0.0d0 0.0d0
! m2/s
ad MUD_TNU4 == 0.0d0 0.0d0
! m4/s

! Vertical mixing coefficients for tracers in
nonlinear model and
! basic state scale factor in adjoint-based
algorithms.

MUD_AKT_BAK == 5.0d-6 5.0d-6
! m2/s

MUD_AKT_fac == 2*1.0d0
! nondimensional

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! Nudging/relaxation time scales, inverse
! scales will be computed
! internally.

Hout(imUBld) == T ! bedload_Umud_01, ...
bed load at U-points
Hout(imVBld) == T ! bedload_Vmud_01, ...
bed load at V-points

MUD_TNUDDG == 2.5d0 2.5d0 2.5d0 2.5d0
2.5d0 2.5d0 2.5d0 ! days

! Morphological time scale factor (greater
than or equal to 1.0). A
! value of 1.0 has no scale effect.

MUD_MORPH_FAC == 1.0d0 1.0d0 1.0d0 1.0d0 1.0d0
1.0d0 1.0d0 ! nondimensional

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to specify
which variables to consider on
! tracers point Sources/Sinks (like river
runoff). See glossary below for
! details.

MUD_Ltracer == T T T T T T T T

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of cohesive sediment
! fields into HISTORY output file.

Hout(idmud) == T ! mud_01, ...
suspended concentration
Hout(iMfrac) == T ! mudfrac_01, ...
bed layer fraction
Hout(iMmass) == T ! mudmass_01, ...
bed layer mass

Hout(imUBld) == T ! bedload_Umud_01, ...
bed load at U-points
Hout(imVBld) == T ! bedload_Vmud_01, ...
bed load at V-points

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of time-averaged,
! cohesive sediment fields into AVERAGE output
file.

Aout(idmud) == T ! mud_01, ...
suspended concentration
Aout(imUBld) == T ! bedload_Umud_01, ...
bed load at U-points
Aout(imVBld) == T ! bedload_Vmud_01, ...
bed load at V-points

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
writing of time-averaged,
! cohesive sediment diagnostic terms into
DIAGNOSTIC output file.

Dout(MTrate) == T ! mud_01_rate, ...
time rate of change
Dout(MThadv) == T ! mud_01_hadv, ...
horizontal total advection
Dout(MTxadv) == T ! mud_01_xadv, ...
horizontal XI-advection
Dout(MTyadv) == T ! mud_01_yadv, ...
horizontal ETA-advection
Dout(MTvadv) == T ! mud_01_vadv, ...
vertical advection

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Dout(MThdiff) == T ! mud_01_hdiff, ...
horizontal total diffusion
Dout(MTxdiff) == T ! mud_01_xdiff, ...
horizontal XI-diffusion
Dout(MTydiff) == T ! mud_01_ydiff, ...
horizontal ETA-diffusion
Dout(MTsdiff) == T ! mud_01_sdiff, ...
horizontal S-diffusion
Dout(MTvdiff) == T ! mud_01_vdiff, ...
vertical diffusion
!-----!
! Non-cohesive Sediment Parameters,
[1:NNS,1:Ngrids] values expected.
!-----!
! Median sediment grain diameter (mm) .
SAND_SD50 == 1.0d0
! Sediment concentration (kg/m3) .
SAND_CSED == 0.0d0
! Sediment grain density (kg/m3) .
SAND_SRHO == 2650.0d0
! Particle settling velocity (mm/s) .

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! Vertical mixing coefficients for tracers in
 nonlinear model and
 ! basic state scale factor in adjoint-based
 algorithms.

$\text{SAND_AKT_BAK} == 5.0\text{d}-6$
 ! m^2/s

$\text{SAND_AKT_fac} == 1.0\text{d}0$
 ! nondimensional

! Nudging/relaxation time scales, inverse
 scales will be computed
 ! internally.

$\text{SAND_TNUDG} == 0.0\text{d}0$
 ! days

! Morphological time scale factor (greater
 than or equal to 1.0). A
 ! value of 1.0 has no scale effect.

$\text{SAND_MORPH_FAC} == 1.0\text{d}0$
 ! nondimensional

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to specify
 which variables to consider on
 ! tracers point Sources/Sinks (like river
 runoff). See glossary below for
 ! details.

$\text{SAND_Ltracer} == \text{F}$

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
 writing of non-cohesive
 ! sediment fields into HISTORY output file.

$\text{Hout}(\text{idSand}) == \text{T}$! sand_01, ...
 suspended concentration

$\text{Hout}(\text{iSfrac}) == \text{T}$! sandfrac_01, ...
 bed layer fraction

$\text{Hout}(\text{iSMass}) == \text{T}$! sandmass_01, ...
 bed layer mass
 $\text{Hout}(\text{iSUBld}) == \text{T}$! bedload_usand_01,
 ... bed load at U-points
 $\text{Hout}(\text{iSVbld}) == \text{T}$! bedload_vsand_01,
 ... bed load at V-points

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
 writing of time-averaged
 ! non-cohesive sediment fields into AVERAGE
 output file.

$\text{Aout}(\text{idSand}) == \text{T}$! sand_01, ...
 suspended concentration
 $\text{Aout}(\text{iSUBld}) == \text{T}$! bedload_usand_01,
 ... bed load at U-points
 $\text{Aout}(\text{iSVbld}) == \text{T}$! bedload_vsand_01,
 ... bed load at V-points

! Logical switches (TRUE/FALSE) to activate
 writing of time-averaged,
 ! non-cohesive sediment diagnostic terms into
 DIAGNOSTIC output file.


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! usage, NST( :) should be zero in memory
! efficient in memory
! LBC(1:4, nLBCvar, Ngrids)
! where 1:4 are the number of boundary edges,
! nLBCvar are the number LBC state
! variables, and Ngrids is the number of
! nested grids. For Example, to apply
! gradient boundary conditions to any tracer
we use:
!-----!
!      NEWLAYER_THICK  Depositional bed layer
! thickness criteria to create a new
! layer (m). If deposition
! exceeds this value, then a new
! layer is created.
!-----!
!      BEDLOAD_COEFF  Bed load transport rate
! coefficient.
!-----!
!      Lateral boundary conditions parameters for
! all sediment tracers.
!-----!
! The lateral boundary conditions are now
! specified with logical switches
! instead of CPP flags to allow nested grid
configurations. Their values are
! load into structured array:

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! where 1:4 are the number of boundary edges,
! nLBCvar are the number LBC state
! variables, and Ngrids is the number of
nested grids. For Example, to apply
gradient boundary conditions to any tracer
we use:
!-----!
! LBC(iwest, istVar(itrc), ng) % gradient
! LBC(ieast, istVar(itrc), ng) % gradient
! LBC(isouth, istVar(itrc), ng) % gradient
! LBC(inorth, istVar(itrc), ng) % gradient
!-----!
! The lateral boundary conditions for all
sediment tracers (cohesive plus
noncohesive) are entered with a keyword.
This keyword is case insensitive
and usually has three characters. However,
it is possible to have compound
keywords, if applicable. For example, the
keyword "RadNud" implies radiation
boundary condition with nudging. This
combination is usually used in
active/passive radiation conditions.
!-----!
! It is possible to specify the lateral
boundary conditions for all sediment
tracers in a compact form with a single
entry. for example, in a East-West
periodic application we can just have:

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!      Rad      Radiation
!      2          j=1
!      !          i=1
!      !          i=Lm
!      !          LBC(iSTvar)  Sediment Tracers, [1:4,
!      !          1:NST, Ngrids] values are expected.
!      !          Similarly, the adjoint-based algorithms
!      !          (ADM, TLM, RPM) can have different
!      !          lateral boundary conditions keywords:
!      !
!      !      ad_LBC(iSTvar) Sediment Tracers, [1:4,
!      !      1:NBT, Ngrids] values are expected.
!      !
!      ! Then, the standard input processing routine
!      ! will assume that all the
!      ! sediment tracers have the same lateral
!      ! boundary condition specified by
!      ! the single entry.
!
!      Keyword   Lateral Boundary Condition Type
!
!      Clamped
!      N          j=Mm
!      CLo        Closed
!      Gra        Gradient
!      Nes        Nested
!      W          E 3
!      Nud        Nudging
!      Per        Periodic
!      S          -
!
!
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The code defines several lateral boundary condition types:

- Clamped**: A boundary condition where sediment tracers have the same lateral boundary condition specified by the single entry.
- Suspended Cohesive Sediment KEYWORDS**: [1:NCS, 1:Ngrids] values expected.
- Median sediment grain diameter**: MUD_SD50 (mm).
- Sediment concentration**: MUD_CSED (kg/m³). It may be used to initialize sediment fields using analytical expressions.
- MUD_SRHO**: Sediment grain density (kg/m³).

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!
! MUD_WSED          Particle settling velocity
! (mm/s) .                                         [1:NCS,1:Ngrids]. If
! variable horizontal diffusion is
! activated, MUD_TNU4 is
!
! MUD_ERATE         Surface erosion rate
! (kg/m2/s) .
!
! MUD_TAU_CE        Critical shear for erosion
! (N/m2) .                                         [1:NCS,1:Ngrids]. If variable horizontal
! diffusion is activated, MUD_TNU4 is
!
! MUD_TAU_CD        Critical shear for
! deposition (N/m2) .                           the largest grid-cell in
! for suspended cohesive sediment;
!
! MUD_POROS         Porosity (nondimensional:
! 0.0-1.0) : Vwater / (Vwater+Vsed) .
!
! MUD_TNU2          Nonlinear model lateral,
! harmonic, constant, mixing
! coefficient (m2/s) for
! suspended cohesive sediment;
!
! variable horizontal diffusion is
! activated, MUD_TNU2 is
! the mixing coefficient for
! the largest grid-cell in
! the domain.
!
! MUD_TNU4          Nonlinear model lateral,
! biharmonic, constant, mixing
! coefficient (m4/s) for
! suspended cohesive sediment;
!
! ad_MUD_TNU2       Adjoint-based algorithms
! lateral, harmonic, constant,
! mixing coefficient (m2/s)
!
! ad_MUD_TNU4       Adjoint-based algorithms
! lateral, harmonic, constant,
! mixing coefficient (m4/s)
!
! ad_MUD_TNU4       Adjoint-based algorithms
! lateral, harmonic, constant,
! mixing coefficient (m2/s)
!
! ad_MUD_TNU4       Adjoint-based algorithms
! lateral, harmonic, constant,
! mixing coefficient (m4/s)
!
! ad_MUD_TNU4       Adjoint-based algorithms
! lateral, harmonic, constant,
! mixing coefficient (m2/s)
!
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!
! AKT_BAK(idsed(i)) with
! [1:NCS,1:Ngrids] values
!
! are expected.
!
! MUD_AKT_fac Adjoint-based algorithms
! vertical mixing, basic state,
! scale factor
! (nondimensional) for biological tracer
! variables;
!
! [1:NCS,1:Ngrids] values are expected. In
! some applications, a
! smaller/larger values of vertical
! mixing are necessary for
! stability. It is only used
! when FORWARD_MIXING is
! activated.
!
! MUD_TNUDG Nudging time scale (days),
! TNUDG(idsed(i)) with i=1:NCS.
! Inverse scale will be
! computed internally.
!
! MUD_MORPH_FAC Morphological time scale
! factor (nondimensional; greater
! than or equal to 1.0) . A
! value of 1.0 has no scale
! effect.
!
! MUD_Ltracer Logical switches (T/F) to
! specify which tracer variables
! to consider when the
! option TS_PSOURCE is activated;
!
! Recall that TS_PSOURCE is
! usually activated to add river
! runoff as a point source.
! At minimum, it is necessary to
! specify both temperature
! and salinity for all rivers. The
! other tracers are
! optional. The user needs to know the
! correspondence between
! biological variables and indices
! idbio(1:NBT) when
! activating one or more of these switches.
!
! This logical switch
! REPLACES and ELIMINATES the need to
! have or read the variable
! "river_flag(river)" in the input
! rivers forcing NetCDF
! file:
!
! double
! river_flag(river)

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! river_flag:long_name          ! other river(s) that do
!= "river runoff tracer flag"   ! NOT require such river forcing for
! river_flag:option_0 =          ! that tracer. Recall that
! "all tracers are off"         ! you need to specify the tracer
! river_flag:option_1 =          ! values for all rivers,
! "only temperature"            ! even if their values are zero.
! river_flag:option_2 =          !
! "only salinity"               ! Hout(idmud) Logical switches to
! river_flag:option_3 =          ! activate writing of cohesive sediment
! "both temperature and salinity" ! concentration into
! river_flag:units =             ! HISTORY NetCDF file,
! "nondimensional"              ! HOUT(idTvar(idsed(i)))
!

! This logic was too
! cumbersome and complicated when
! additional tracers are
! considered. However, this change
! is backward compatible.
!
! This logical switch will
! be used to activate the reading
! of respective tracer
! variable from input river forcing
! NetCDF file. If you want
! to add other tracer variables
! (other than temperature
! and salinity) as a source for a
! particular river(s), you
! just need to specify such values
! on those river(s). Then,
! set the values to ZERO on the
!
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!
! HOUT(idsed(i)) with i=1,NCS.
!
! Hout(imVbld) Logical switches to activate writing of cohesive sediment bed load at V-points into HISTORY NetCDF file,
!
! HOUT(idsed(i)) with i=1,NCS.
!
! Aout(idmud) Logical switches to activate writing of time-averaged cohesive sediment concentration into AVERAGE NetCDF file,
!
! AOUT(idTvar(idsed(i))) with i=1:NCS.
!
! Aout(imUbld) Logical switches to activate writing of time-averaged cohesive sediment bed load at U-points into AVERAGE NetCDF file,
!
! AOUT(idsed(i)) with i=1,NCS.
!
! Aout(imVbld) Logical switches to activate writing of time-averaged cohesive sediment bed load at V-points into AVERAGE NetCDF file,
!
! AOUT(idsed(i)) with i=1,NCS.
!
! Dout(MT...) Logical switches to activate writing of time-averaged cohesive tracers diagnostic terms into DIAGNOSTIC NetCDF file,
!
! DOUT(idsed(i),MT...) with i=1,NCS.
!
! Dout(MTrate) Time rate of change
!
! Dout(MThadv) Horizontal total advection
!
! Dout(MTxadv) Horizontal XI-advection
!
! Dout(MTyadv) Horizontal ETA-advection
!
! Dout(MTvadv) Vertical advection
!
! Dout(MThdif) Horizontal total diffusion
!
! Dout(MTxdif) Horizontal XI-diffusion
!
! Dout(MTydif) Horizontal ETA-diffusion
!
! Dout(MTsdif) Horizontal S-diffusion
!
! Dout(MTvdif) Vertical diffusion
!
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! Suspended Non-cohesive Sediment KEYWORDS,
[1:NNS,1:Ngrids] values expected.


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! ad_SAND_TNU4 Adjoint-based algorithms
! lateral, harmonic, constant,
! mixing coefficient (m4/s)
! for suspended non-cohesive
! sediment;
! [1:NNS,1:Ngrids]. If variable horizontal
! diffusion is activated,
! SAND_TNU4 is the mixing
! coefficient for the
! largest grid-cell in the domain.
!
! SAND_AKT_BAK Background vertical mixing
! coefficient (m2/s),
! AKT_BAK(idsed(i)) with
! i=NCS+1:NST.
!
! SAND_AKT_fac Adjoint-based algorithms
! vertical mixing, basic state,
! scale factor
! (nondimensional) for biological tracer
! variables;
! [1:NNS,1:Ngrids] values are expected.
!
! In some applications, a
! smaller/larger values of
! vertical mixing are
! necessary for stability. It is
! only used when
! FORWARD_MIXING is activated.
!
! SAND_TNUDG Nudging time scale (days),
! TNUDG(idsed(i)) with i=NCS+1:NST.

```

Inverse scale will be
computed internally,
!

! SAND_MORPH_FAC Morphological time scale
factor (nondimensional; greater
than or equal to 1.0). A
value of 1.0 has no scale effect.

! SAND_Ltracer Logical switches (T/F) to
specify which tracer variables
to consider when the
option TS_PSOURCE is activated;

! [1:NNS,1:Ngrids] values
are expected.

!

! SAND_Ltracer(1,ng)

sand_01
...
...
SAND_Ltracer(NNS,ng)
...

Recall that TS_PSOURCE is
usually activated to add river
runoff as a point source.
At minimum, it is necessary to
specify both temperature
and salinity for all rivers. The
other tracers are
optional. The user needs to know the
correspondence between
biological variables and indices

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! idbio(1:NBT) when
! activating one or more of these switches.
!
! This logical switch will
! be used to activate the reading
! of respective tracer
! variable from input river forcing
! NetCDF file. If you want
! to add other tracer variables
! (other than temperature
! and salinity) as a source for a
! particular river(s), you
! just need to specify such values
! on those river(s). Then,
! set the values to ZERO on the
! other river(s) that do
! NOT require such river forcing for
! that tracer. Recall that
! you need to specify the tracer
! values for all rivers,
! even if their values are zero.
!
! Hout(idsand) Logical switches to
! activate writing of non-cohesive
! sediment concentration
! into HISTORY NetCDF file,
! HOUT(idTvar(idsed(i)))
with i=1:NST.

!
! Hout(iSfrac) Logical switches to
! activate writing of non-cohesive
! sediment class fraction
! composition of each bed layer
! into HISTORY NetCDF file,
! HOUT(idfrac(i)) with

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!
!          i=NCS+1, NST.                                non-cohesive sediment bed
!
!          Hout(iSmass)      Logical switches to          load at U-points into AVERAGE
!          activate writing of non-cohesive             NetCDF file,
!          sediment mass of each bed                  AOUT(idsed(i)) with i=NCS+1, NST.
!
!          !          Aout(isVbld)    Logical switches to          !          Aout(isVbld)    Logical switches to
!          activate writing of time-averaged            !          activate writing of time-averaged
!          non-cohesive sediment bed                  !          non-cohesive sediment bed
!
!          load at V-points into AVERAGE
!          NetCDF file,
!          AOUT(idsed(i)) with i=NCS+1, NST.
!
!          !          Dout(ST...)   Logical switches to          !          Dout(ST...)   Logical switches to
!          activate writing of time-averaged            !          activate writing of time-averaged
!          non-cohesive tracers                      !          non-cohesive tracers
!
!          diagnostic terms into DIAGNOSTIC
!          NetCDF file,
!          DOUT(idsed(i),ST....) with i=NCS+1, NST.
!
!          !          Dout(SThadv) Time rate
!          of change
!          Dout(SThadv) Horizontal
!
!          total advection
!          Dout(STxadv) Horizontal
!
!          XI-advection
!          !          Dout(STyadv) Horizontal
!          ETA-advection
!          !          Dout(STvadv) Vertical
!          advection
!          !          Dout(SThdif) Horizontal
!
!          total diffusion
!
!          Aout(iSUbld)      Logical switches to          !          Aout(iSUbld)      Logical switches to
!          activate writing of time-averaged            !          activate writing of time-averaged

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!
! XI-diffusion          Dout (STxdiff)   Horizontal
!
! ETA-diffusion         Dout (STydiff)   Horizontal
!
! S-diffusion           Dout (STSdiff)  Horizontal
!
! diffusion              Dout (STvdiff)   Vertical
!
!-----[1:Ngrids] values expected.
!-----[1:Ngrids] values expected.
!
! Hout (ithck)           Sediment layer thickness.
! Hout (iaged)            Sediment layer age.
! Hout (iporo)             Sediment layer porosity.
! Hout (idiff)             Biодiffusivity at the
!                         bottom of each layer.
!
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