

Stochastic subgrid-scale parameterization for one-dimensional shallow water dynamics using stochastic mode reduction

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Motivation

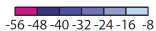
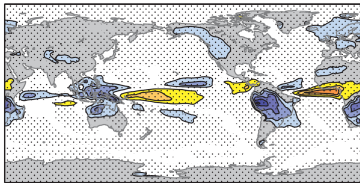
Stochastic parameterizations are applied (e.g. Palmer 2001, Berner et al, 2016) in order to:

- reduce systematic model error
- represent uncertainty in weather and climate predictions
- trigger regime transitions
- ...

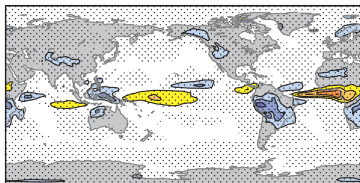
Common approach in comprehensive climate and weather models includes

- stochastically perturbed physical parameterization tendencies (Buizza et al. 1999, Palmer et al. 2009)
- stochastic kinetic energy back-scatter (Shutts 2005, Berner et al. 2009)

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Bias in outgoing longwave radiation (DJF) for a simulation without (left) and with (right) stochastic parameterization (SPPT & SPBS) in the ECMWF seasonal forecast system. Hindcasts for the period 1981-2010. From Weisheimer et al. 2014

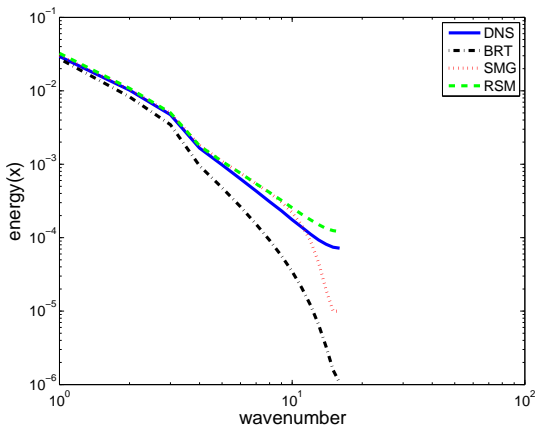
Some open issues with (stochastic) parameterizations

- empirical tuning
- a posteriori nature of some parameterizations
- scale-aware parameterizations

Derivation of stochastic subgrid-scale parameterization from first principles

- maximum entropy principle, (e.g. Verkley & Severijns 20014, Verkley et al. 2015)
- response theory (Wouters & Lucarini 2012, 2013): **weak coupling**
- averaging method (e.g. Hasselmann 1976; Imkeller & Storch 2001; Arnold et al. 2003, Monahan & Culina 2011): **require time scale separation**
- homogenization or stochastic mode reduction (e.g. Majda, Timoveyev & Vanden Eijnden 2001, 2002; Franzke & Majda 2006; Franzke 2013): **require time scale separation**

Local stochastic parameterization for the Burgers equation



Energy spectra for: DNS, bare truncation model (BRT), Smagorinsky SGS model (SMG) and reduced stochastic model with stochastic mode reduction parameterization (RSM).

From Dolapchiev et al. 2013

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Stochastic mode reduction (homogenization)¹

Given the system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= \varepsilon a^x(x) + b^x(x, y), \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} c^y(y) + b^y(x, y).\end{aligned}$$

The corresponding Kolmogorov backward equation for the PDF p on a **slow time scale** $\theta = \varepsilon t$ reads

$$\partial_{\theta} p = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} L_1 p + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} L_2 p + L_3 p,$$

$$L_1 = -c^y(y) \nabla_y, \quad L_2 = -b^x(x, y) \nabla_x - b^y(x, y) \nabla_y, \quad L_3 = -a^x(x) \nabla_x.$$

Asymptotic expansion $p = p^{(0)} + \varepsilon p^{(1)} + \varepsilon^2 p^{(2)} + \dots$ gives an evolution equation for $p^{(0)}(x)$

$$\partial_{\theta} p^{(0)} = L_3 p^{(0)} - P L_2 L_1^{-1} L_2 p^{(0)}$$

with a projection operator P defined by the invariant measure of the **uncoupled y -subsystem**.

¹Khas'minskii, 63; Papanicolaou, 76; Majda et al., 01

The additive triad model

Consider the following system of SDEs²

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= B_0 y_1 y_2 \\ \frac{dy_1}{dt} &= B_1 x y_2 - \frac{\gamma_1}{\varepsilon} y_1 + \frac{\sigma_1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \dot{W}_1 \\ \frac{dy_2}{dt} &= B_2 x y_1 - \frac{\gamma_2}{\varepsilon} y_2 + \frac{\sigma_2}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \dot{W}_2\end{aligned}$$

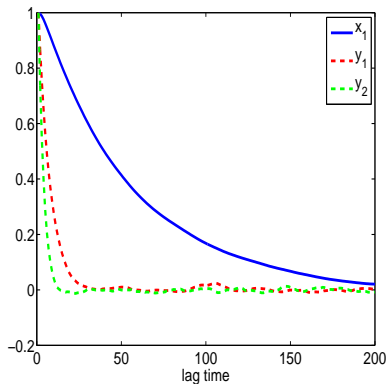
where

$$B_0 + B_1 + B_2 = 0,$$

and $\gamma_{1,2} > 0$.

²Majda et al. 2002

Fast and slow modes



Time autocorrelation functions $C_\tau(v) = \langle v(t)v(t + \tau) \rangle$ for the triad model with $\varepsilon = 0.5$.

The reduced model for the additive triad

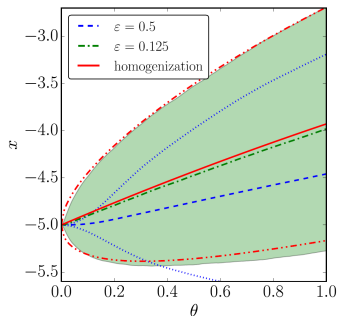
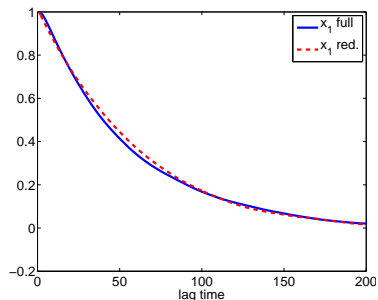
After the fast mode elimination, following equation for the slow variable only is obtained³

$$dx = -\alpha x dt + \beta dW ,$$

where

$$\alpha = -\frac{B_0}{2(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)} \left(\frac{\sigma_2^2 B_1}{\gamma_2} + \frac{\sigma_1^2 B_2}{\gamma_1} \right) ,$$
$$\beta = B_0 \frac{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}{\sqrt{2\gamma_1 \gamma_2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2}} .$$

The reduced model for the additive triad



Left: autocorrelation function for the slow variable from the reduced and from the full model with $\varepsilon = 0.5$. Right: ensemble mean and ensemble spread (2σ interval) over time for the full model with $\varepsilon = 0.5, 0.125$ and for the homogenization closure⁴.

⁴Wouters, Dolaphtchiev, Lucarini and Achatz, 2016, NPG

1D Shallow water equations

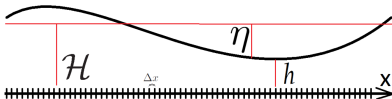
We consider the one-dimensional shallow water equations (SWE)

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(hu - \nu \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right) = 0,$$
$$\frac{\partial hu}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(hu^2 + g \frac{h^2}{2} - \nu \frac{\partial hu}{\partial x} \right) = \varrho_{hu}(x, t),$$

where ϱ_{hu} represents large-scale stochastic forcing

$$\varrho_{hu} = \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{\mu \alpha_k}{\sqrt{k \Delta t}} \cos \left\{ 2\pi \left(\frac{kx}{L_x} + \psi_k \right) \right\}$$

with normally distributed random numbers α_k, ψ_k .



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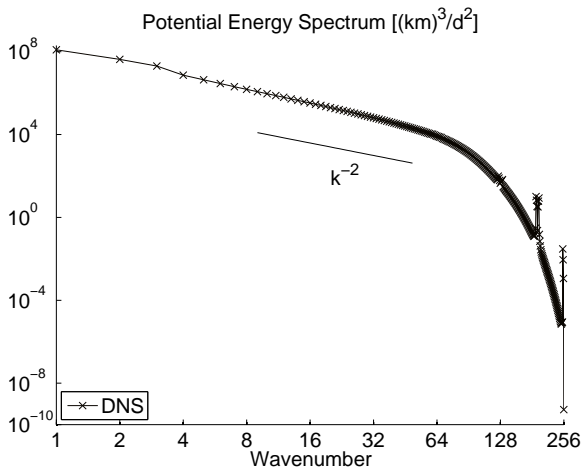
Using a finite-volume scheme the discrete form of the equations reads

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} h_i \\ (hu)_i \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{\Delta x} (\mathbf{F}_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{F}_{i-\frac{1}{2}}) = \boldsymbol{\rho}_i,$$

with the discrete forcing $\boldsymbol{\rho}_i$ and the flux at the boundary given by

$$\mathbf{F}_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} (hu)_{i+1} + (hu)_i - 2\nu \frac{h_{i+1} - h_i}{\Delta x} \\ \frac{(hu)_{i+1}^2}{h_{i+1}} + \frac{(hu)_i^2}{h_i} + \frac{g}{2} h_{i+1}^2 + \frac{g}{2} h_i^2 - 2\nu \frac{(hu)_{i+1} - (hu)_i}{\Delta x} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Forced 1D shallow water model



Local averages and subgrid-scales

The domain is split into intervals of size $n\Delta x$. We define resolved variables H, HU

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_I \\ HU_I \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=nI}^{n(I+1)-1} \begin{pmatrix} h_k \\ hu_k \end{pmatrix},$$

and subgrid-scale (SGS) variables h', hu'

$$\begin{pmatrix} h'_i \\ hu'_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} h_i \\ hu_i \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} H_{I[i]} \\ HU_{I[i]} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The model equations can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} H_I \\ HU_I \end{pmatrix} &= - \frac{\mathbf{F}_{(I+1)n-\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{F}_{nI-\frac{1}{2}}}{n\Delta x} + \mathbf{q}_I, \\ \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} h'_i \\ hu'_i \end{pmatrix} &= - \frac{\mathbf{F}_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{F}_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} + \frac{\mathbf{F}_{(I[i]+1)n-\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{F}_{I[i]n-\frac{1}{2}}}{n\Delta x}. \end{aligned}$$

The discretized 1D SWE can be written in the following abstract form

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_i &= \varrho_i^x + a_i^x(\mathbf{x}) + b_i^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \\ \dot{y}_i &= b_i^y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + c_i^y(\mathbf{y}).\end{aligned}$$

In order to apply the stochastic mode reduction

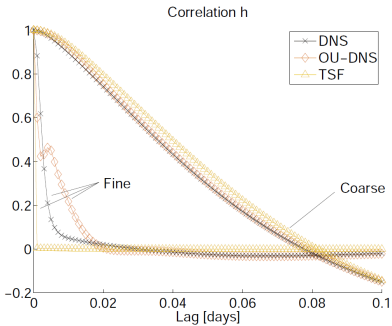
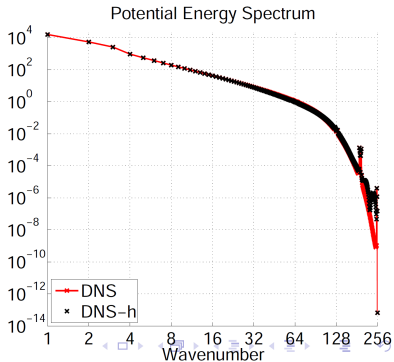
- the interaction coefficients $b_i^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$, $b_i^y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ must have a polynomial form: approximate $1/h \approx 1/\mathcal{H}$
- eliminate redundant SGS degrees of freedom: averages over a coarse cell vanish
- find an empirical Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) process for the nonlinear fast self-interactions $c_i^y(\mathbf{y})$

This defines the **OU-DNS**

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_i &= \varrho_i^x + a_i^x(\mathbf{x}) + b_i^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \\ \dot{y}_i &= b_i^y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \Lambda_{ij} y_j + \Sigma_i \dot{W}_i,\end{aligned}$$

where Λ and Σ denote the OU drift and diffusion coefficients.

Results OU-DNS



SGS model for the 1D SWE ⁵

We obtain the following effective stochastic differential equation for x

$$dx_i = [\varrho_i^x + a_i^x(\mathbf{x}) + \beta_i(\mathbf{x})] dt + d\xi_i(\mathbf{x}) .$$

Here β_i represents the deterministic part and $d\xi_i$ the stochastic part of the SGS parameterization

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_i &= \int_0^\infty d\tau \left\langle b_j^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \frac{\partial b_i^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}(\tau))}{\partial x_j} \right\rangle \\ &\quad + \langle \mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}^T \rangle_{jm}^{-1} \int_0^\infty d\tau \langle y_m b_j^y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) b_i^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}(\tau)) \rangle - \int_0^\infty d\tau \left\langle \frac{\partial b_j^y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{\partial y_j} b_i^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}(\tau)) \right\rangle , \\ d\xi_i &= \sqrt{2} B_{ij} dW_j \quad B_{ik} B_{jk} = \int_0^\infty d\tau \langle b_i^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}(0)) b_j^x(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}(\tau)) \rangle . \end{aligned}$$

⁵Zacharuk, Dolapchiev, Achatz and Timofeyev, 2018, *submitted*

Empirical OU parameterizations: BRT-OU & LRM-OU

For comparison we consider two purely empirical OU SGS parameterizations, where the number of modes coupled is the same as in the SMR.

- bare truncation + OU parameterization **BRT-OU**

$$dx_i = \left(\varrho_i^x + a_i^x(\mathbf{x}) + \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij} \hat{x}_j^I \right) dt + \tilde{\sigma}_i dW_i.$$

- low resolution model + OU parameterization **LRM-OU**: DNS on a coarse grid with parameterization.

Results: ACF and spectra

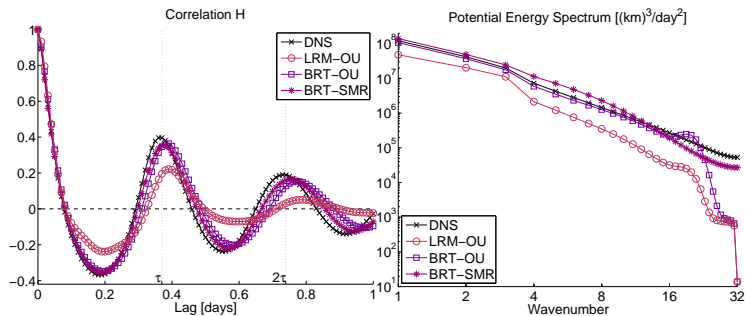


Figure: Left: time autocorrelation. Relative errors are: 10.5% LRM-OU, 6.6 % BRT-OU and 3.4% BRT-SMR. Right: potential energy spectrum.

Sensitivity stochastic forcing

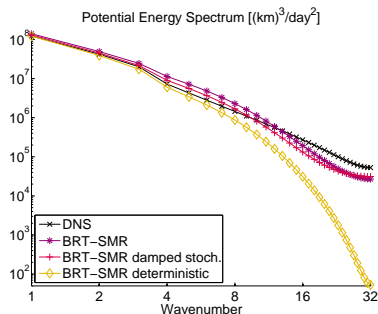


Figure: The potential energy spectrum in DNS, BRT-SMR, BRT-SMR with a damped stochastic forcing $d\xi \rightarrow 0.75d\xi$ and BRT-SMR with neglected stochastic forcing $d\xi \rightarrow 0$ (BRT-SMR deterministic).

Scale-awareness of the parameterization

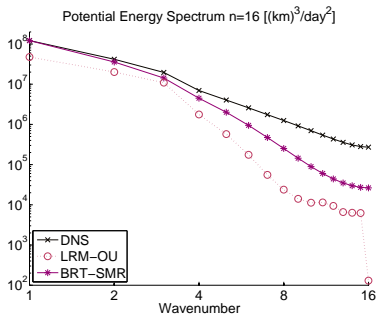


Figure: The simulations for an averaging interval of 16, BRT-OU is unstable.

Conclusions and outlook

- subgrid-scale motion models constructed using systematic stochastic mode reduction strategy
- local parameterization, applicable for large number of resolved modes
- deterministic corrections, additive and multiplicative noise in the effective equations
- subgrid-scale closure for two level primitive equation model