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# Setting up Regional MOM6

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# New Domains

- **Need to make an orthogonal grid in some coordinate system**
  - Rectangular
  - Curvilinear
- **One way is to build in flat space using conformal map projections**
  - Mercator
  - Lambert conformal conic
  - Polar stereographic



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# Some Options

- **Pavel Sakov's code:**  
**<https://github.com/phobson/pygridgen>**
- **Gridbuilder:**  
**<https://austides.com/downloads/>**
- **Liz and Alistair's new thing**
- **WRF Domain Wizard**
- **My weird old stuff (from John Wilkin)**



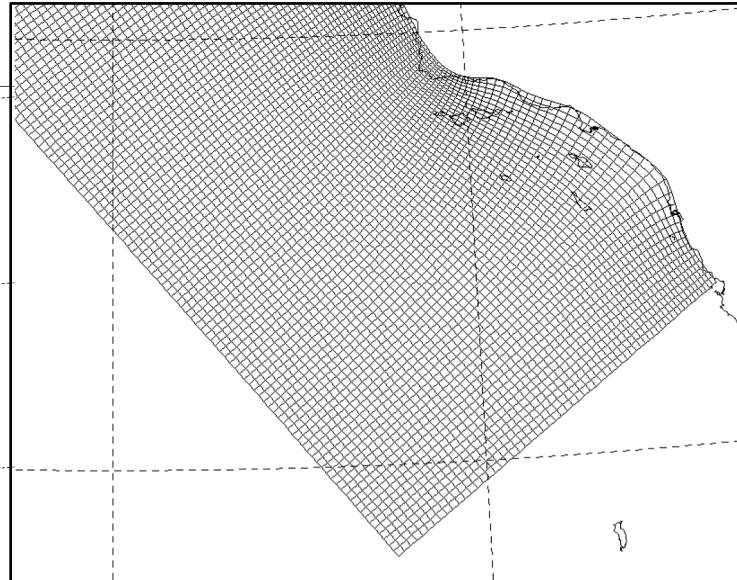
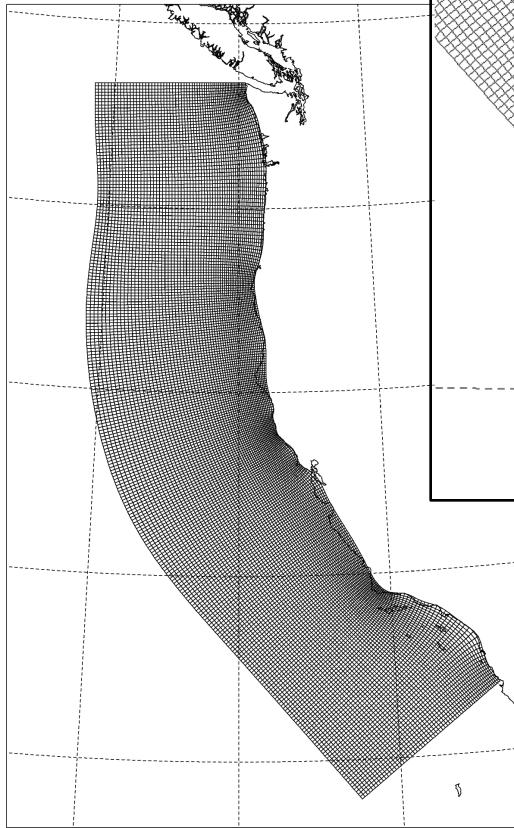
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# Example Domains

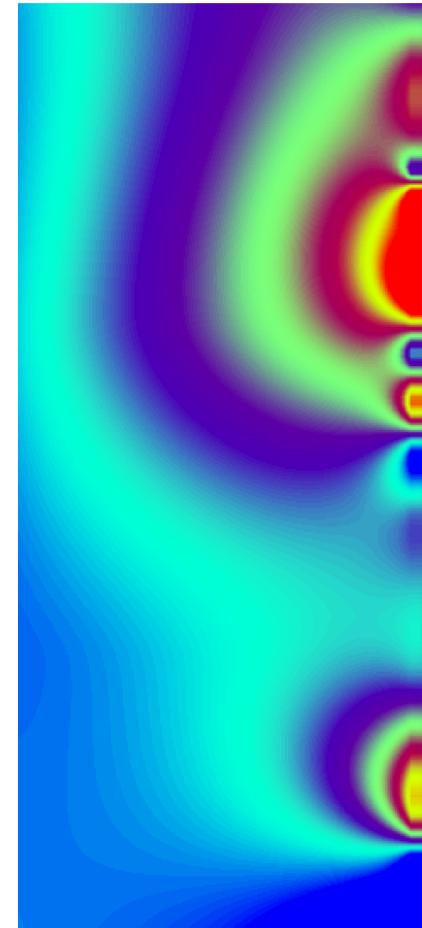


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# US West Coast

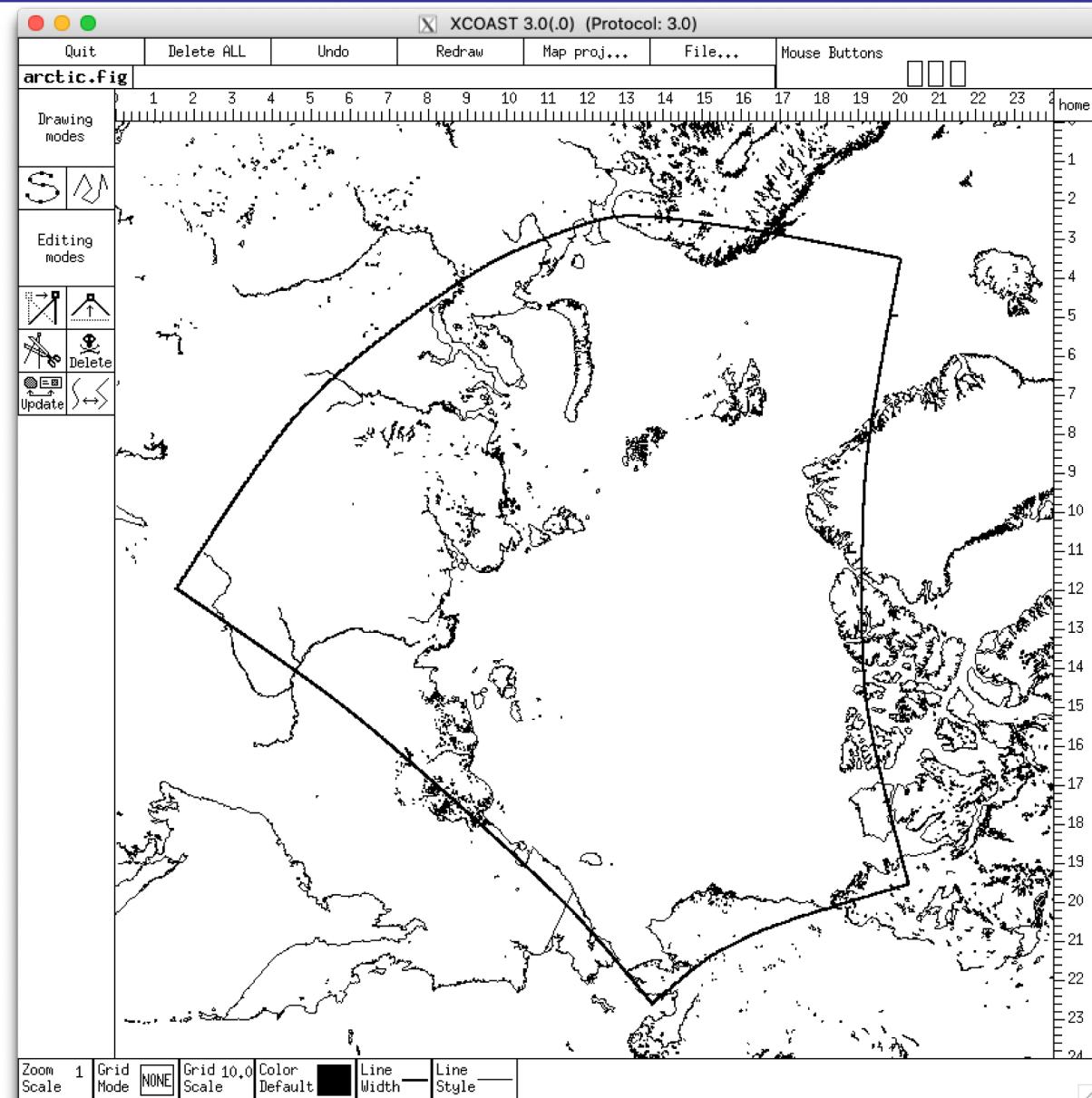


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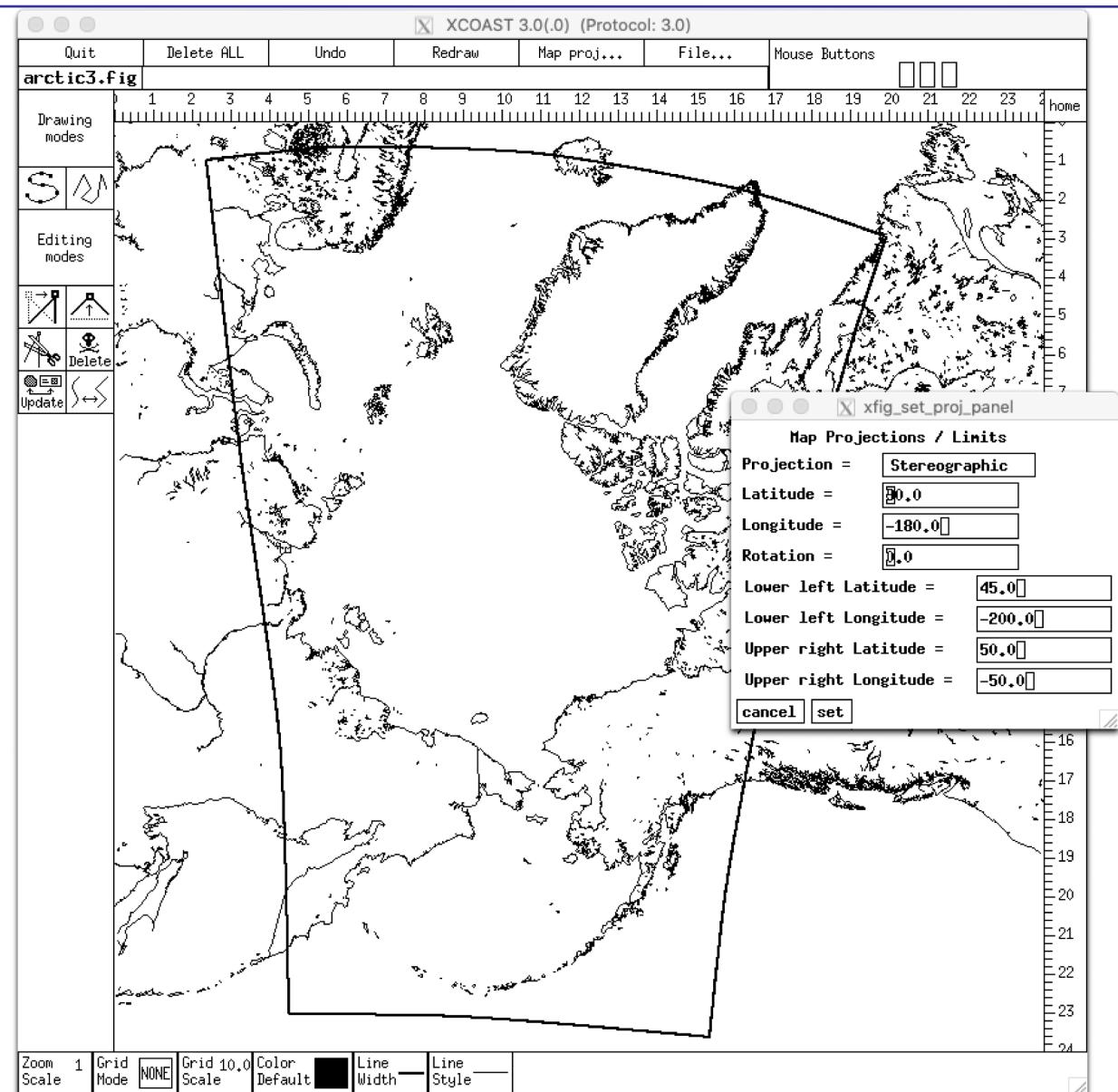


# Arctic 1



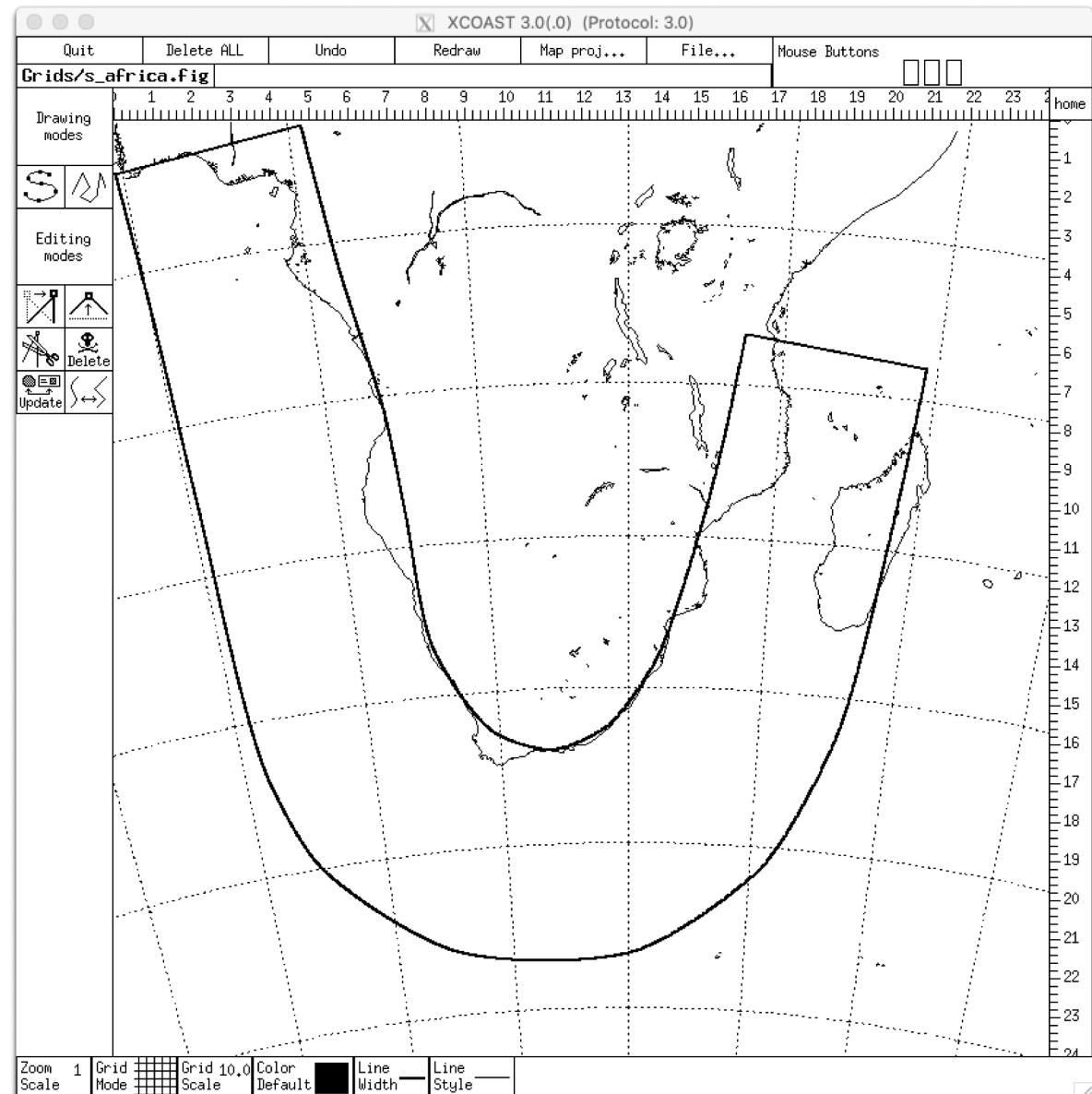


# Arctic 2





# Southern Africa



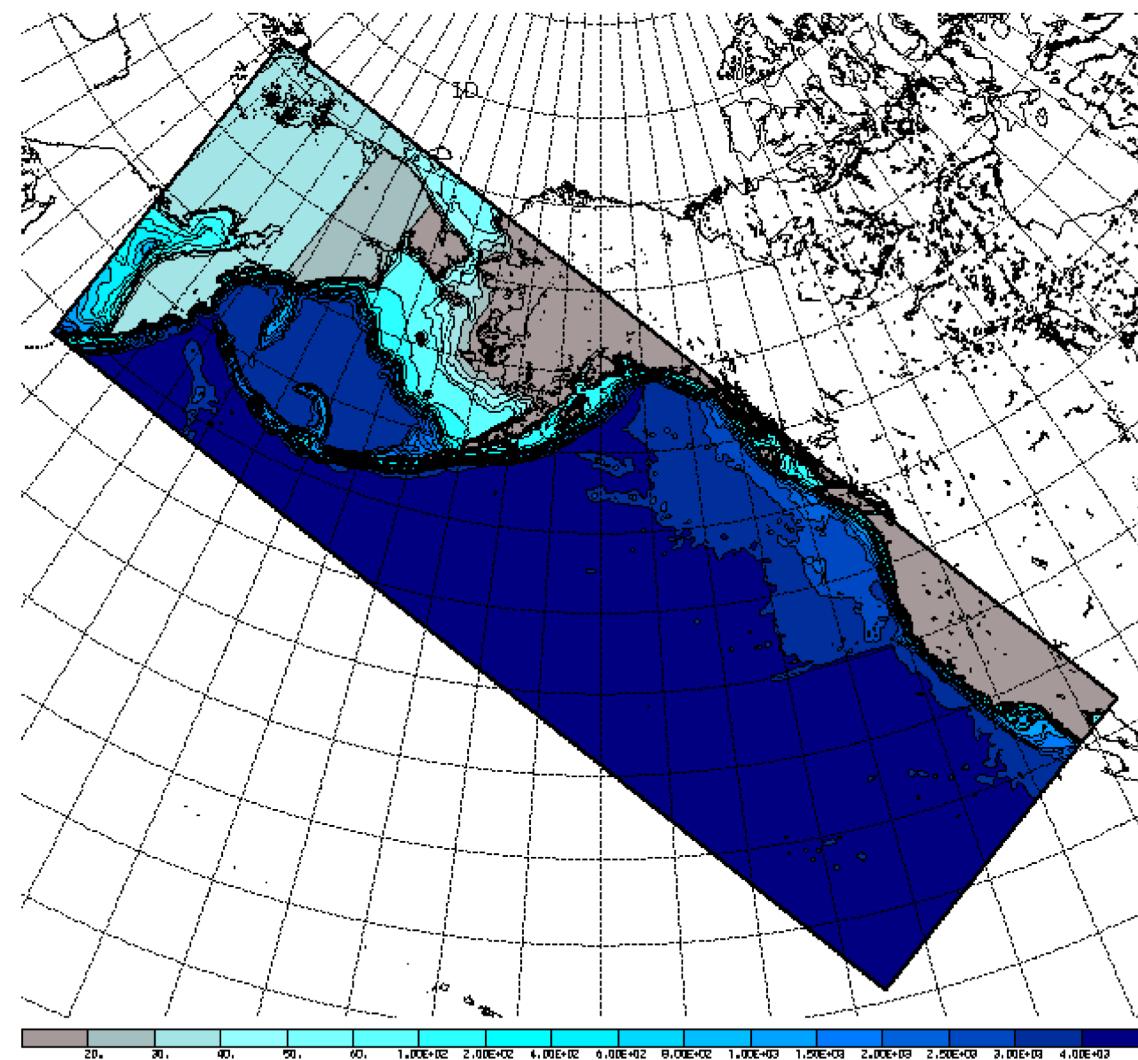


Bottom Topography

MIN DEPTH = 10.000

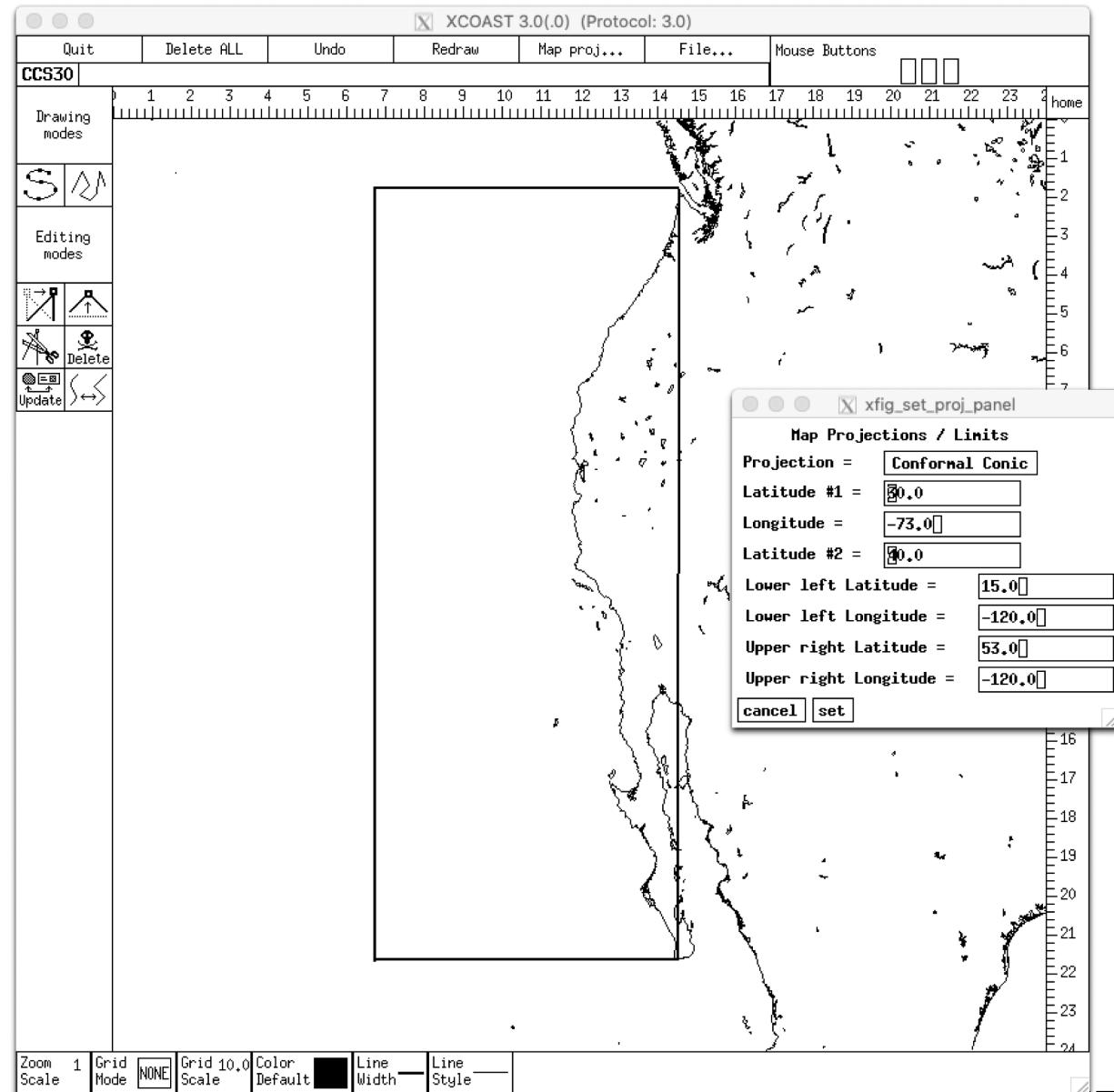
MAX DEPTH = 7380.2

# NEP 5



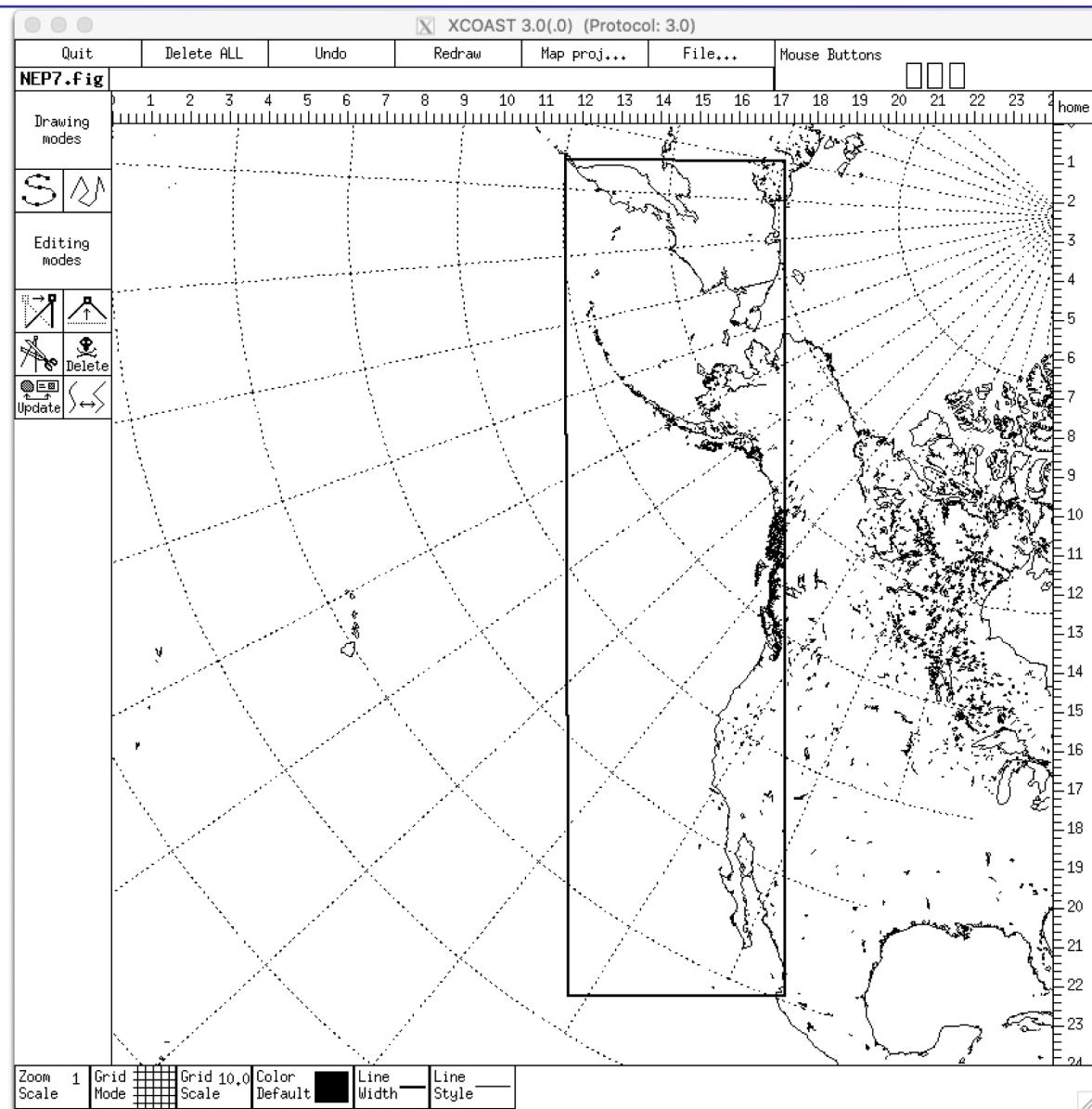


# CCS1



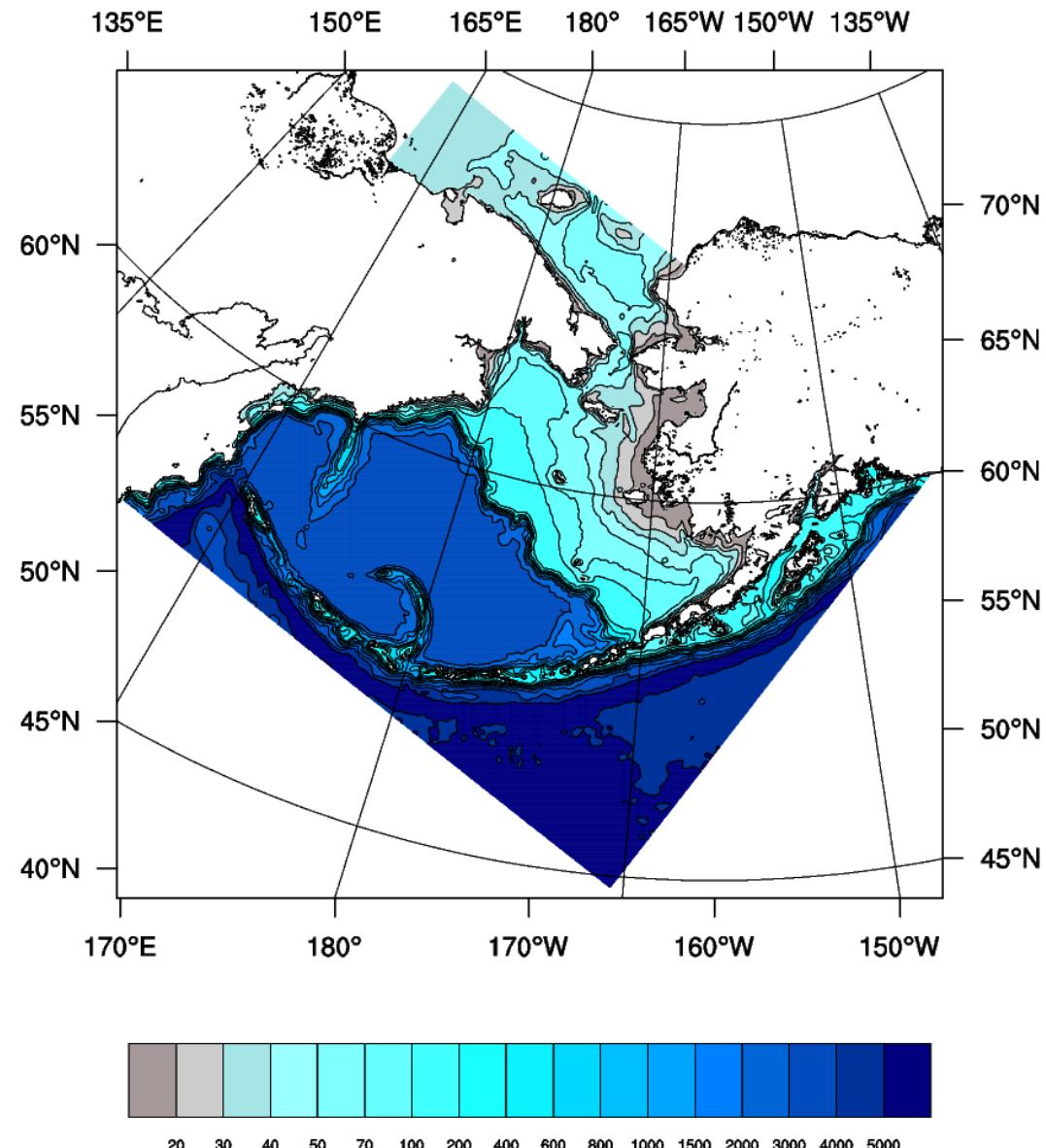


# NEP 7





# Bering Sea (WRF grid by Rob Cermak)





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# Fields on the Grid

- **Bathymetry**
  - Remap from the best you can get for your region
  - Many global products are derived from satellites and have odd pits and bumps
  - NEP, Bering, and Arctic bathymetry from IBCAO4 where it exists, ARDEM2 where it exists, SRTM30 for the rest



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# Land Mask

- **Sasha Shchepetkin's tools:**

**<http://www.atmos.ucla.edu/~alex/ROMS/tools.tar>**

- **gshhs\_to\_roms\_mask roms\_grid.nc**
- **copymask mask.nc roms\_grid.nc**
- **single\_connect i0 j0 roms\_grid.nc**
- **These are Fortran, specific to ROMS files**



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# Land Mask

- PYROMS contains editmask  
(<https://github.com/ESMG/pyroms>)  
GUI for editing the land mask
- There's a matlab version of this too:  
[https://www.myroms.org/wiki/Lan  
d\\_Sea\\_Masking\\_Scripts](https://www.myroms.org/wiki/Land_Sea_Masking_Scripts)

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# Land Mask

- **Need to avoid little bays at the boundary:**

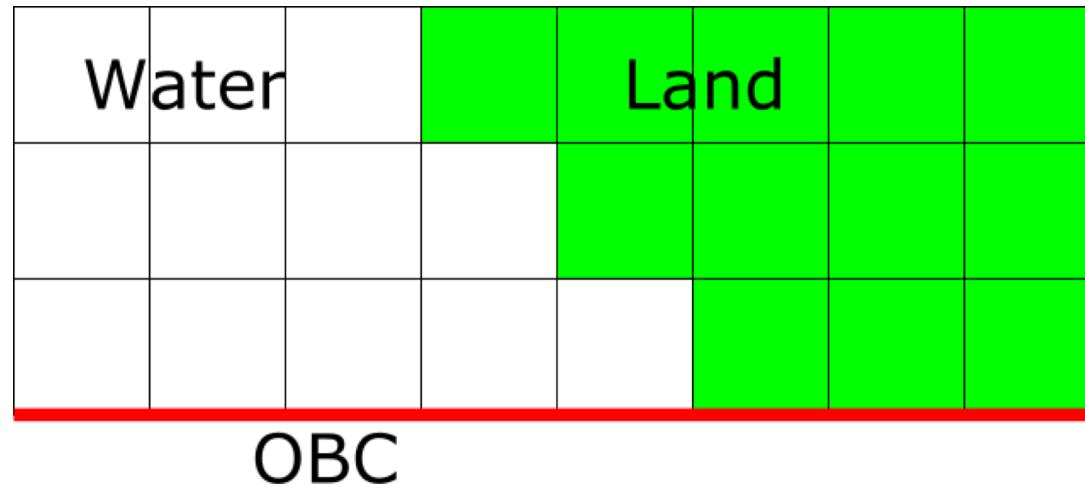
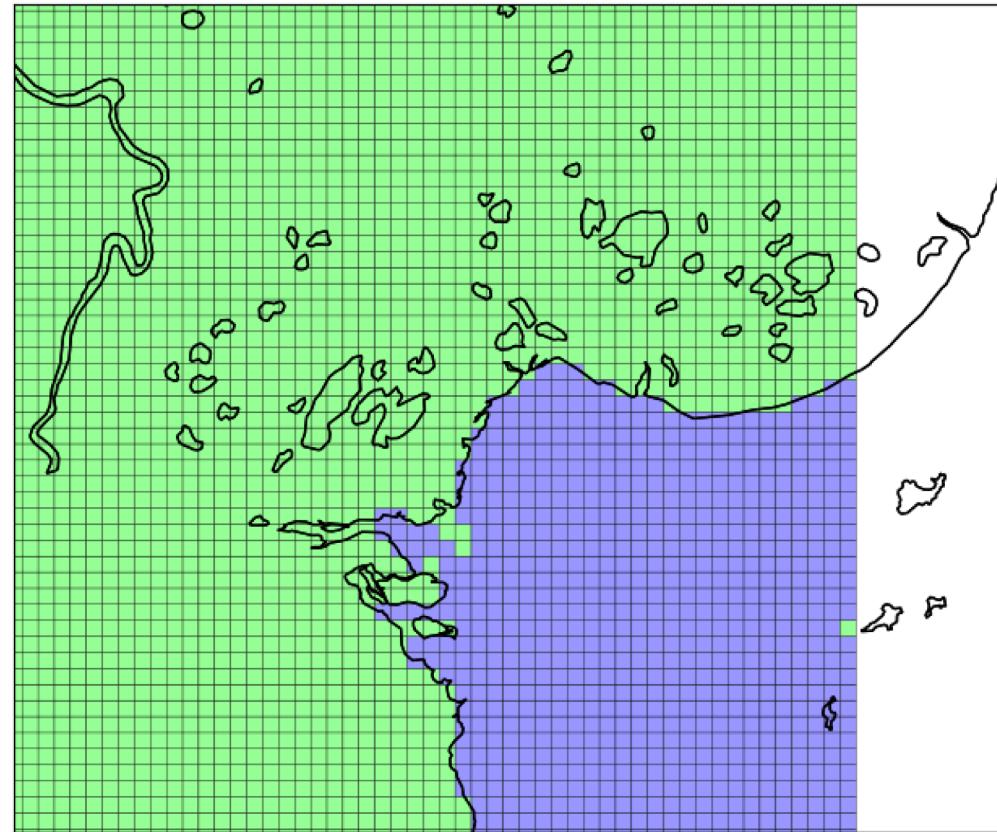




Figure 1

Home Back Forward Search Zoom Equalize Pan Save

Editing False -- click "e" to toggle



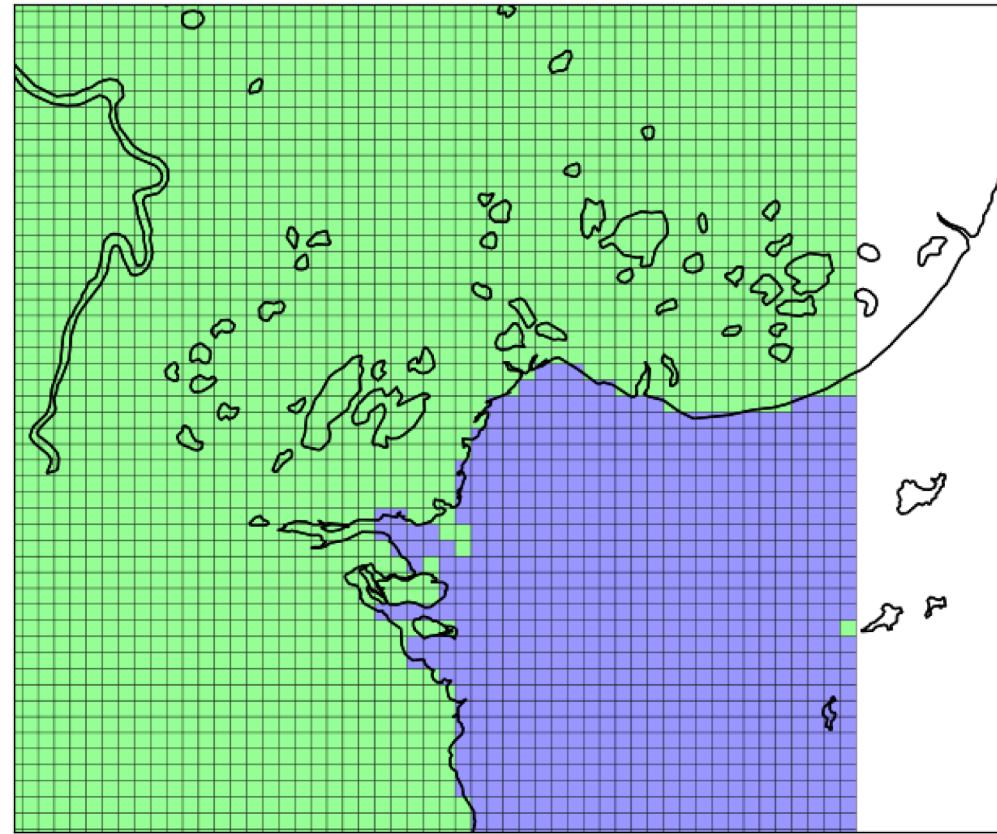
zoom rect, x=4.26847e+06 y=8.94263e+06

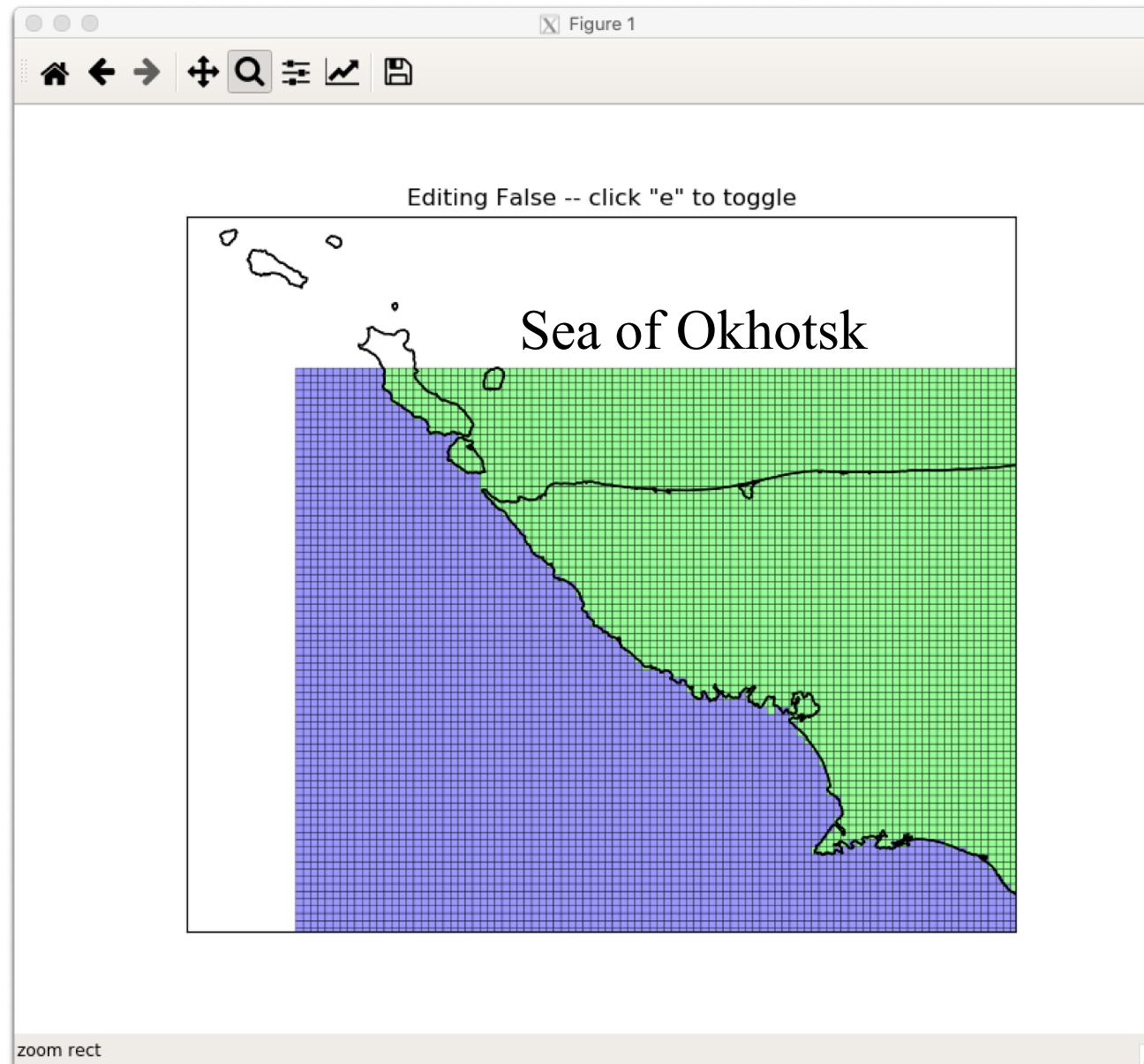


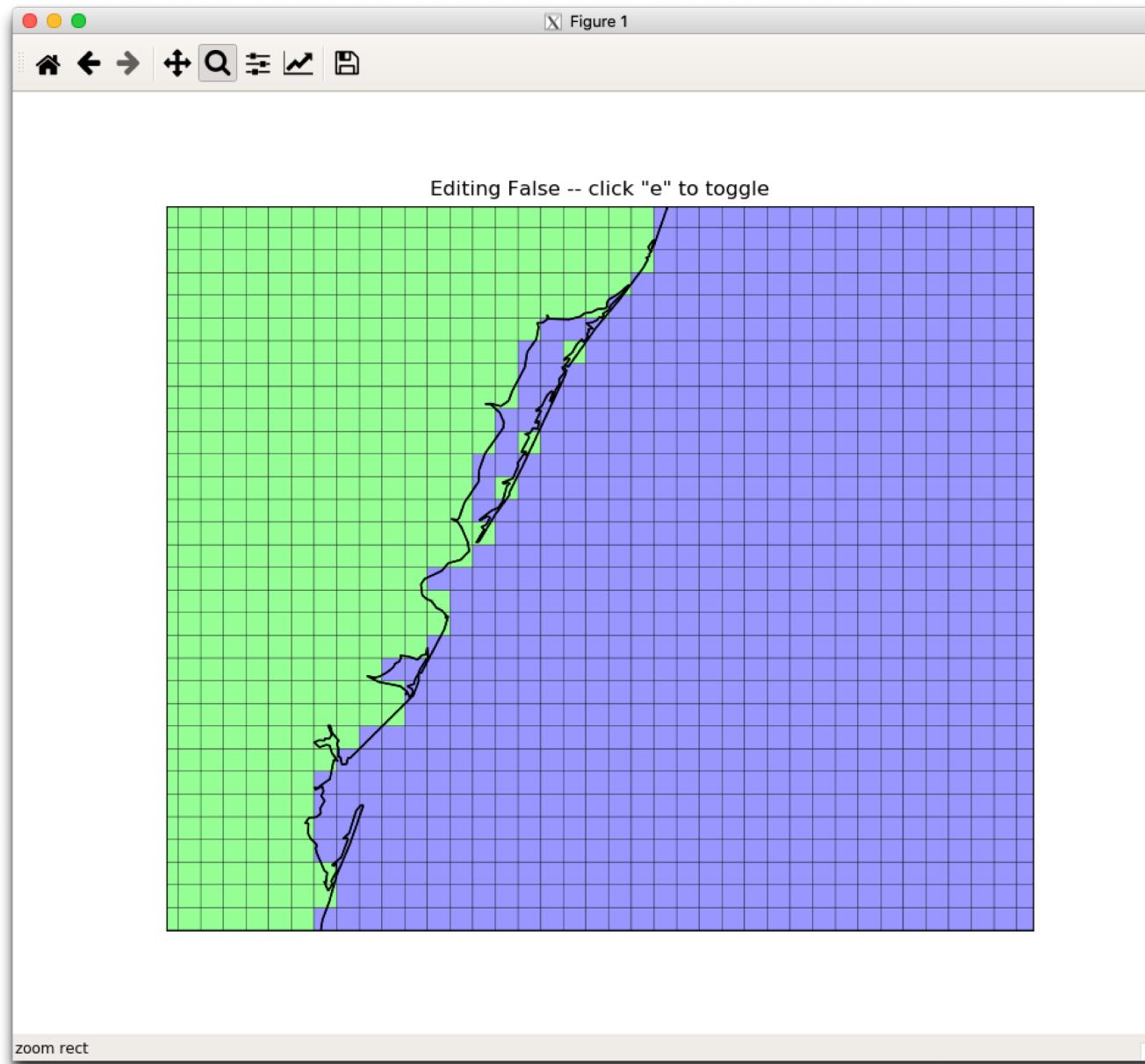
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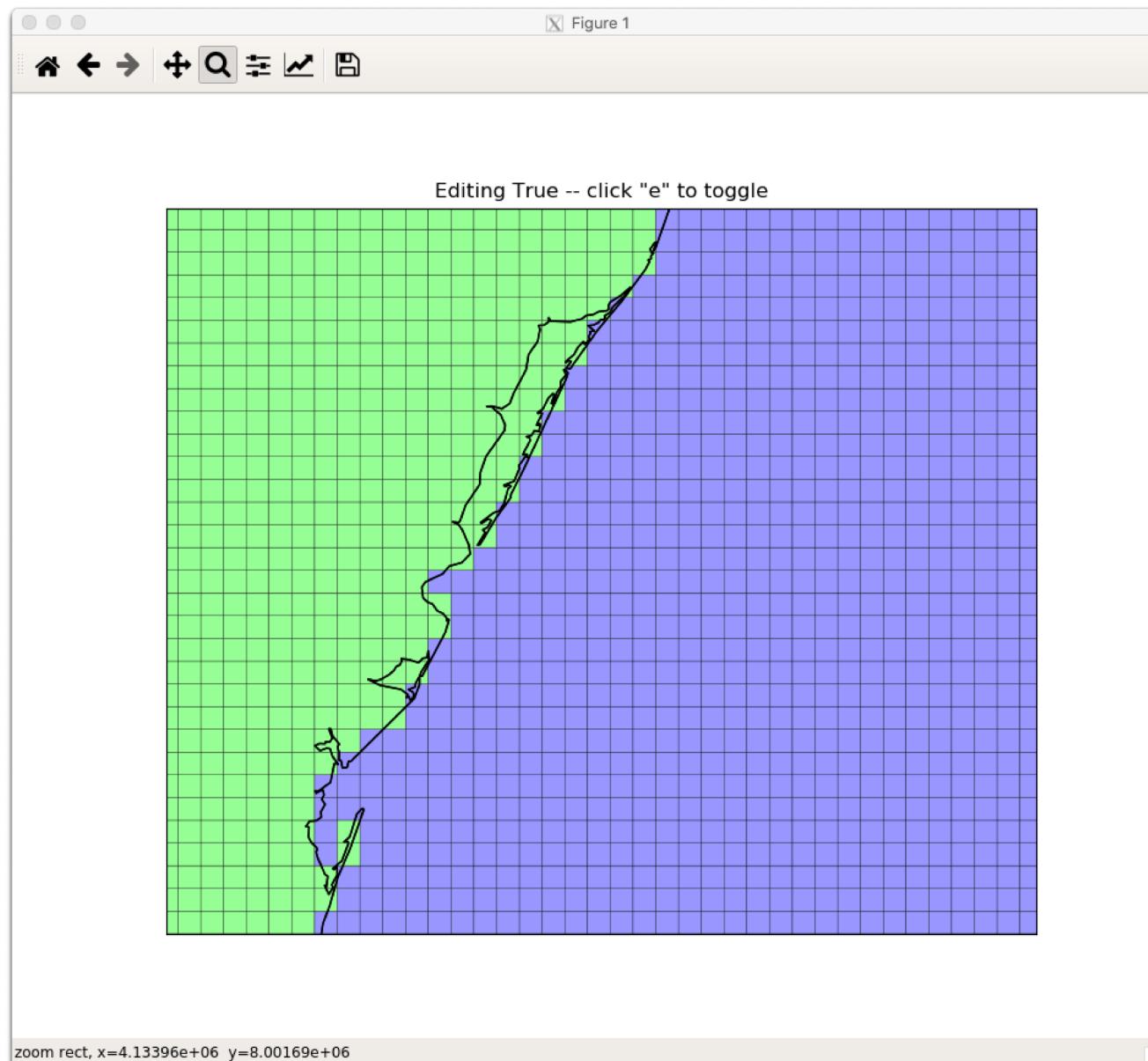


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# All Models Want the Same Fields

- **I build ROMS grids, convert to whatever:**
  - CICE/POP
  - MOM6
  - CESM
- **I also have a WRF to ROMS converter**
- **Check angle across dateline!**



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# After the Grid

- **OBC/IC files**
  - [https://github.com/ESMG/PyCNAL\\_regridding](https://github.com/ESMG/PyCNAL_regridding)
  - [https://github.com/ESMG/regionalMOM6\\_notebooks](https://github.com/ESMG/regionalMOM6_notebooks)
- **Forcing**
- **Runoff**



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# Runoff from JRA

**year=1990**

```
python regrid_runoff.py ocean_hgrid.nc \
ocean_mask.nc \
/import/c1/AKWATERS/kate/JRA55-
do/runoff_JRA55-do-1-4-0_${year}.nc \
Arctic5_runoff_${year}.nc -z \
--regional_domain -r friver --progress \
--fast_pickle --fms
```

```
python modify_regrid_output.py ${year}
```

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# MOM6 ascii inputs

- **data\_table**
- **diag\_table**
- **MOM\_input**
- **input.nml**



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# **data\_table**

```
"ATM" , "p_surf"      , "Pair"      ,  
"/center1/AKWATERS/kate/JRA55-  
do/JRA55DO_1.4_Pair_2011.nc"      , "bilinear" , 1.0  
:
```

```
"OCN" , "runoff"      , "friver"    ,  
"./INPUT/runoff_file.nc"    , "none", 1.0
```

```
"ICE" , "lw_flux_dn"  , "lwrad_down" ,  
"/center1/AKWATERS/kate/JRA55-  
do/JRA55DO_1.4_lwrad_down_2011.nc" , "bilinear"  
, 1.0
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:
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# MOM\_input OBC Options

- **All spelled out at:**

**<https://github.com/NOAA-GFDL/MOM6-examples/wiki/Open-Boundary-Conditions>**

- **Subject to change**
- **Some are per segment, some apply to all segments**
- **Let us know if it is unclear!**



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# Open Boundary Segments

- **Tell how many:**

OBC\_NUMBER\_OF\_SEGMENTS = 2

- **Where and what kind:**

OBC\_SEGMENT\_001 =

“I=N, J=0:N, FLATHER”

OBC\_SEGMENT\_002 =

“I=0, J=N:0, SIMPLE”

- **“N” is code for “end”**
- **Index order (direction) matters!**



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# Bering MOM\_input

**OBC\_NUMBER\_OF\_SEGMENTS = 4**

**OBC\_FREESLIP\_VORTICITY = False**

**OBC\_COMPUTED\_VORTICITY = True**

**OBC\_FREESLIP\_STRAIN = False**

**OBC\_COMPUTED\_STRAIN = True**

**OBC\_ZERO\_BIHAMONIC = True**



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# Bering MOM\_input

**OBC\_SEGMENT\_001 =**

**"J=N,I=N:0,FLATHER,ORLANSKI,NUDGED,ORLANSKI  
\_TAN,NUDGED\_TAN" !**

**OBC\_SEGMENT\_002 =**

**"I=0,J=N:0,FLATHER,ORLANSKI,NUDGED,ORLANSKI  
\_TAN,NUDGED\_TAN" !**

**OBC\_SEGMENT\_003 =**

**"J=0,I=0:N,FLATHER,ORLANSKI,NUDGED,ORLANSKI  
\_TAN,NUDGED\_TAN" !**

**OBC\_SEGMENT\_004 =**

**"I=N,J=0:N,FLATHER,ORLANSKI,NUDGED,ORLANSKI  
\_TAN,NUDGED\_TAN" !**



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# Bering MOM\_input

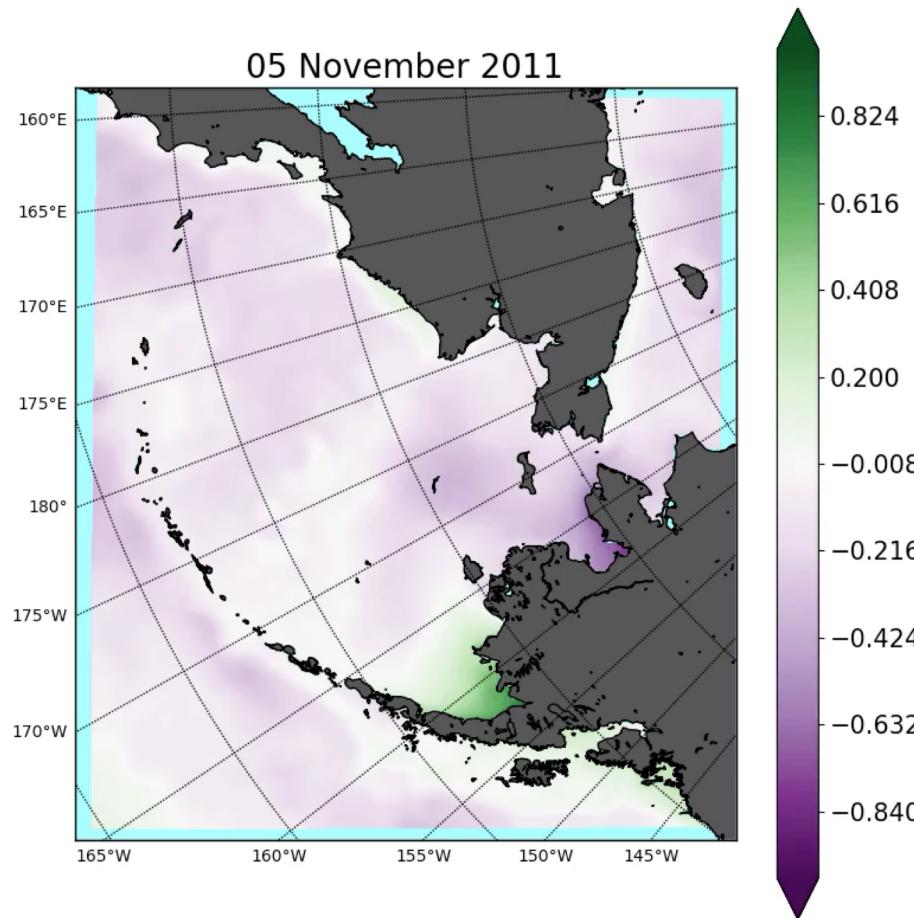
**OBC\_SEGMENT\_001\_VELOCITY\_NUDGING\_TIMESCALES**  
= 3, 360.0

**BRUSHCUTTER\_MODE = True**

**OBC\_SEGMENT\_001\_DATA =**  
"U=file:Bering\_OBC.nc(u),V=file:Bering\_OBC.nc(v),SS  
H=file:Bering\_OBC.nc(zeta),TEMP=file:Bering\_OBC.nc  
(temp),SALT=file:Bering\_OBC.nc(salt)"

**OBC\_TRACER\_RESERVOIR\_LENGTH\_SCALE\_OUT =**  
3000.0

**OBC\_TRACER\_RESERVOIR\_LENGTH\_SCALE\_IN =**  
3.0E+04





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# Future Work

- **Tides**
- **Better Python tools for pre- and post-processing**
- **Landfast ice parameterizations**
- **Algorithmic stability**