

Recent progress with the BISICLES dynamical core in CISM

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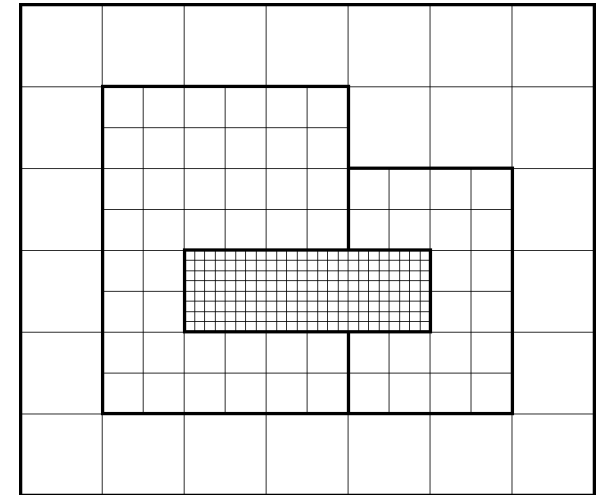
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BISICLES



Berkeley-ISICLES (BISICLES)

- ❑ DOE ISICLES-funded project to develop a scalable adaptive mesh refinement (AMR) ice sheet model/dycore
 - Local refinement of computational mesh to improve accuracy
- ❑ Use Chombo AMR framework to support block-structured AMR
 - Support for AMR discretizations
 - Scalable solvers
 - Developed at LBNL
 - DOE ASCR supported (FASTMath)
- ❑ Alternate dycore interface to CISM
- ❑ Collaboration with LANL and Bristol (U.K.)
- ❑ Continuation in SciDAC-funded PISCEES.



“L1L2” Model (Schoof and Hindmarsh, 2010).

- ❑ Uses asymptotic structure of full Stokes system to construct a higher-order approximation
 - Expansion in $\varepsilon = \frac{[H]}{[L]}$ and $\lambda = \frac{[\tau_{shear}]}{[\tau_{normal}]}$ (ratio of shear & normal stresses)
 - Large λ : shear-dominated flow
 - Small λ : sliding-dominated flow
 - Computing velocity to $O(\varepsilon^2)$ only requires τ to $O(\varepsilon)$
- ❑ Computationally **much** less expensive -- enables fully 2D vertically integrated discretizations. (can reconstruct 3d)
- ❑ Similar formal accuracy to Blatter-Pattyn $O(\varepsilon^2)$
 - Recovers proper fast- and slow-sliding limits:
 - SIA ($1 \ll \lambda \leq \varepsilon^{-1/n}$) -- accurate to $O(\varepsilon^2 \lambda^{n-2})$
 - SSA ($\varepsilon \leq \lambda \leq 1$) - accurate to $O(\varepsilon^2)$



“L1L2” Model (Schoof and Hindmarsh, 2010), cont.

□ Can construct a computationally efficient scheme:

1. Approximate constitutive relation relating $grad(u)$ and stress field τ with one relating $grad(u|_{z=b})$, vertical shear stresses τ_{xz} and τ_{zx} given by the SIA / lubrication approximation and other components $\tau_{xx}(x, y, z)$, $\tau_{xy}(x, y, z)$, etc
2. leads to an effective viscosity $\mu(x, y, z)$ which depends only on $grad(u|_{z=b})$ and $grad(z_s)$, ice thickness, etc
3. Momentum equation can then be integrated vertically, giving a nonlinear, 2D, elliptic equation for $u|_{z=b}(x, y)$
4. $u(x, y, z)$ can be reconstructed from $u|_{z=b}(x, y)$



Modified “L1L2” Model (SSA*)

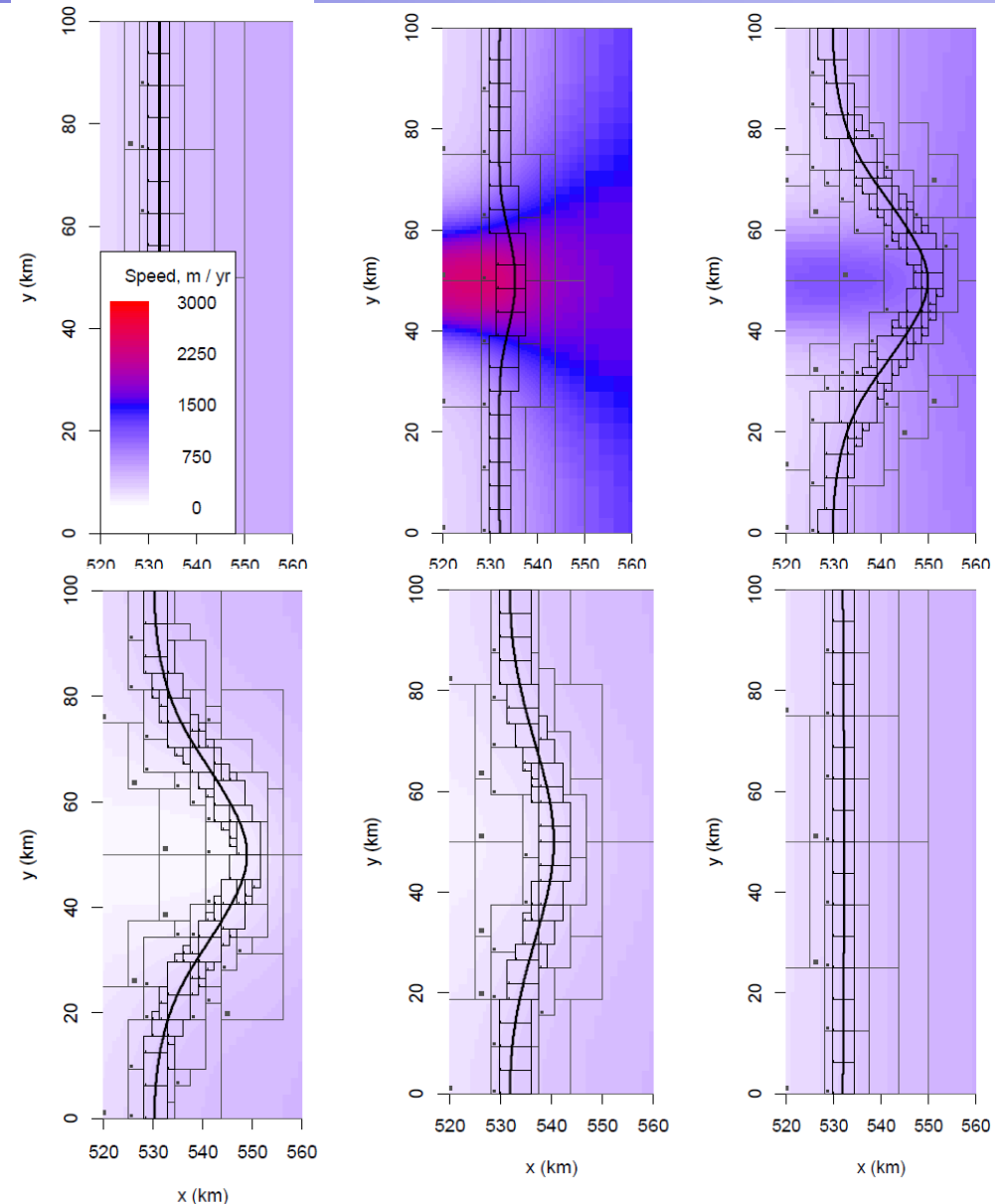
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 - ~~4. $u(x, y, z)$ can be $u(x, y)$~~
 4. Use $u(x, y, z) = u|_{z=b}(x, y)$ (neglect vertical shear in flux velocity)



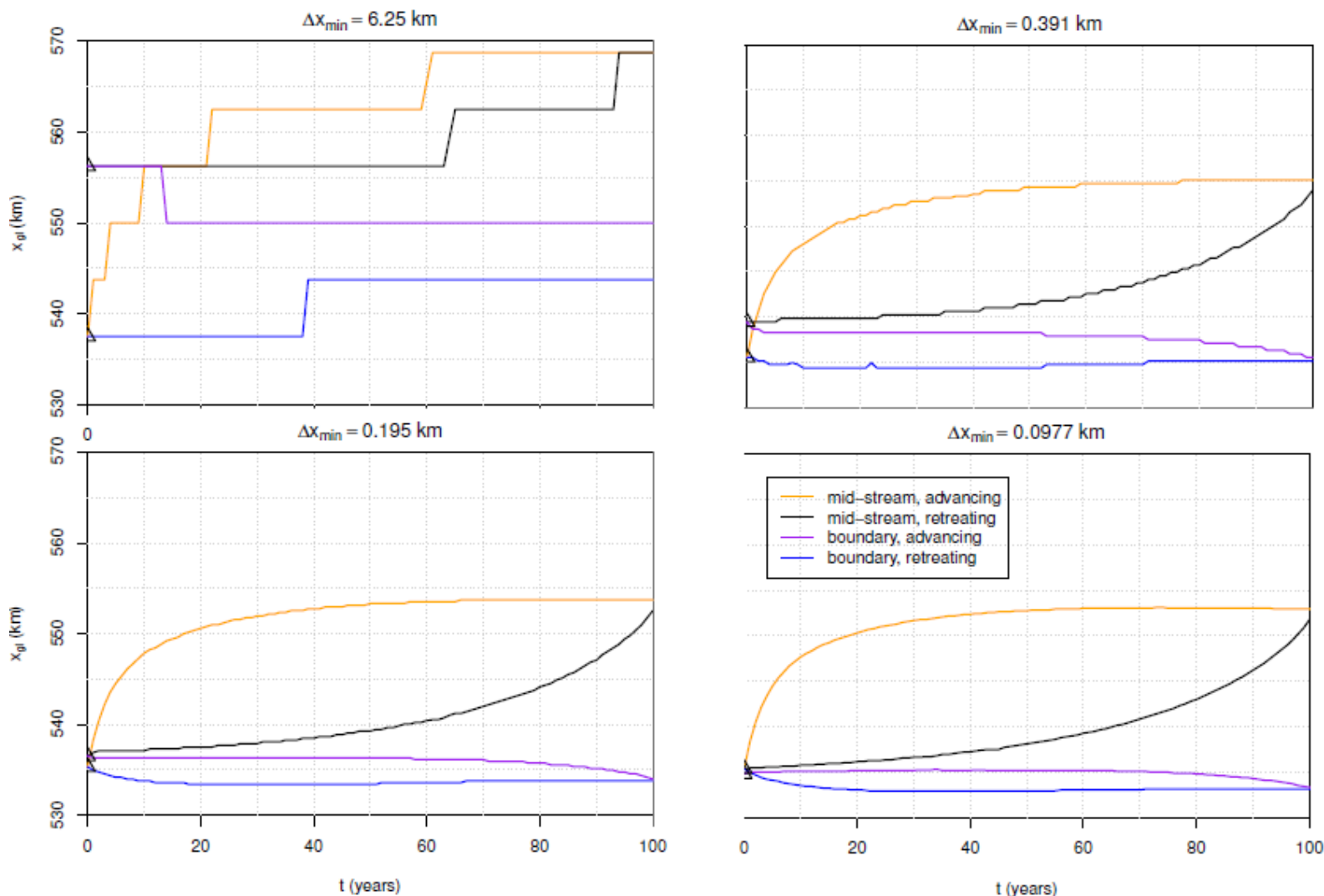
BISICLES Results - MISMIP3D

Experiment P75R: (Pattyn et al (2011))

- Begin with steady-state (equilibrium) grounding line.
- Add Gaussian slippery spot perturbation at center of grounding line
- Ice velocity increases, GL advances.
- After 100 years, remove perturbation.
- Grounding line should return to original steady state.
- Figures show AMR calculation:
 - $\Delta x_0 = 6.5km$ base mesh,
 - 5 levels of refinement
 - Finest mesh $\Delta x_4 = 0.195km$.
 - $t = 0, 1, 50, 101, 120, 200 yr$
- Boxes show patches of refined mesh.
- GL positions match Elmer (full-Stokes)



MISMIP3D (cont): L1L2 (SSA*) Spatial Resolution

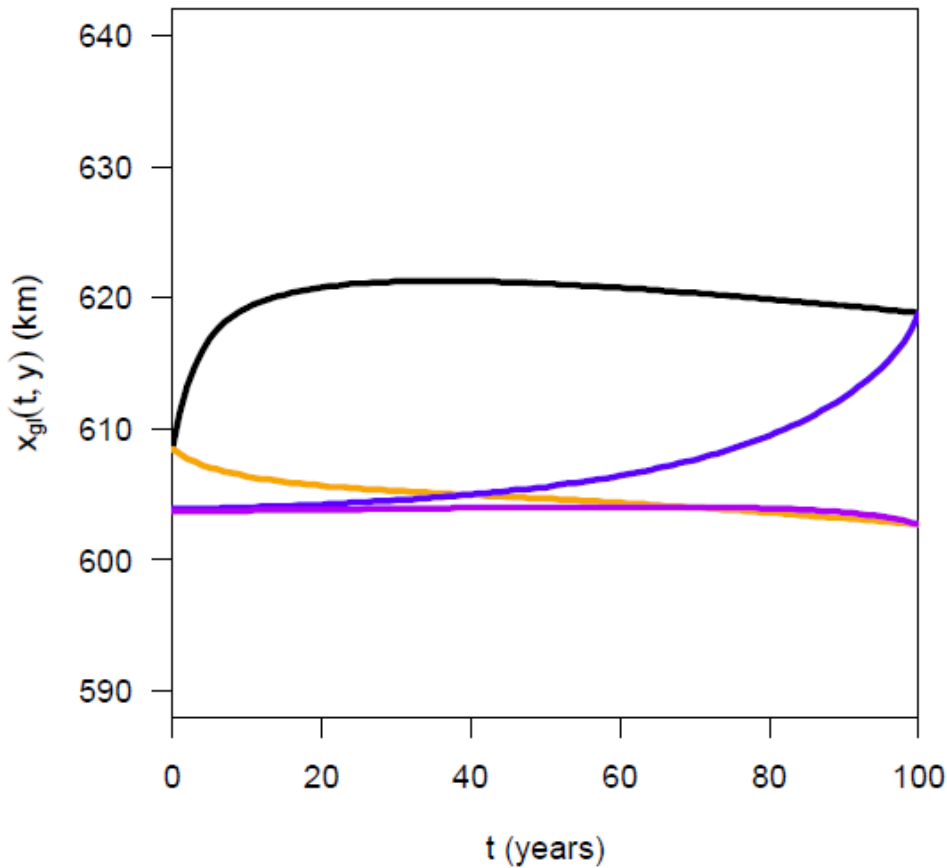


- Very fine (~200 m) resolution needed to achieve reversability!

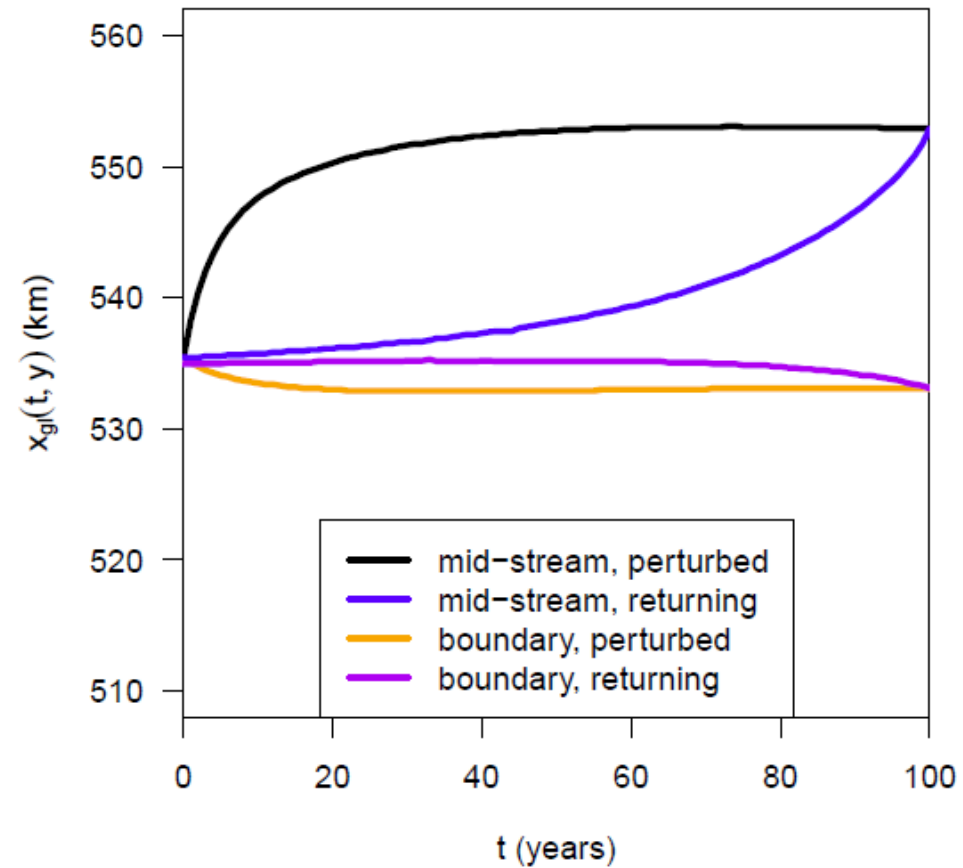


MISMIP3D: SSA vs. “L1L2” or “SSA*”

SSA, $\Delta x^L = 100$ m



SSA*, $\Delta x^L = 100$ m



- Direct comparison of SSA vs. SSA*
 - (fully resolved spatially, same numerics, etc)
 - Note difference in steady-state GL positions

BISICLES Results - Ice2Sea Amundsen Sea

- ❑ Study of effects of warm-water incursion into Amundsen Sea.
- ❑ Results from Payne et al, (2012), submitted.
- ❑ Modified 1996 BEDMAP geometry (Le Brocq 2010), basal traction and damage coefficients to match Joughin 2010 velocity.
- ❑ Background SMB and basal melt rate chosen for initial equilibrium.
- ❑ SMB held fixed.
- ❑ Perturbations in the form of additional subshelf melting:
 - derived from FESOM circumpolar deep water
 - ~5 m/a in 21st Century,
 - ~25 m/a in 22nd Century.



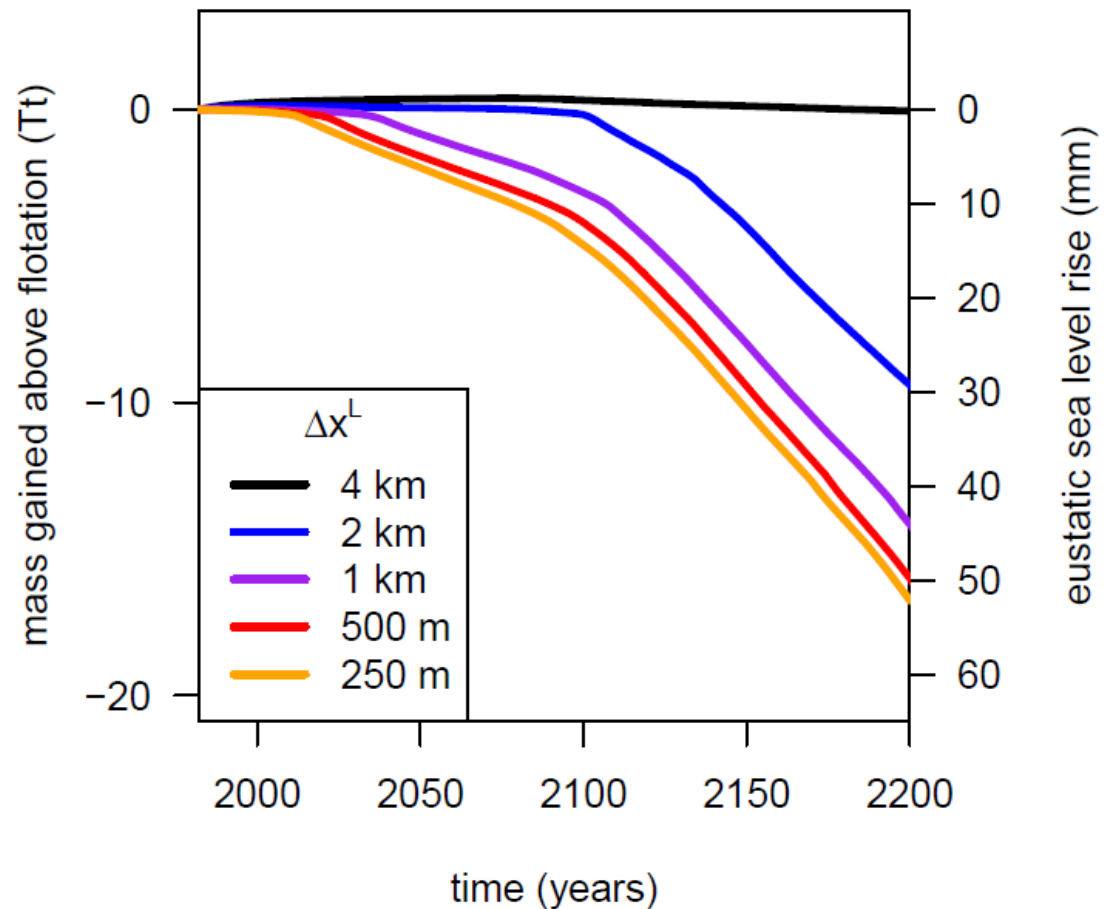
Amundsen Sea Ice Sheet Simulation

One possible climate scenario (Payne et al.)
simulated using SciDAC-funded BISICLES code

Ice2Sea Amundsen (cont)

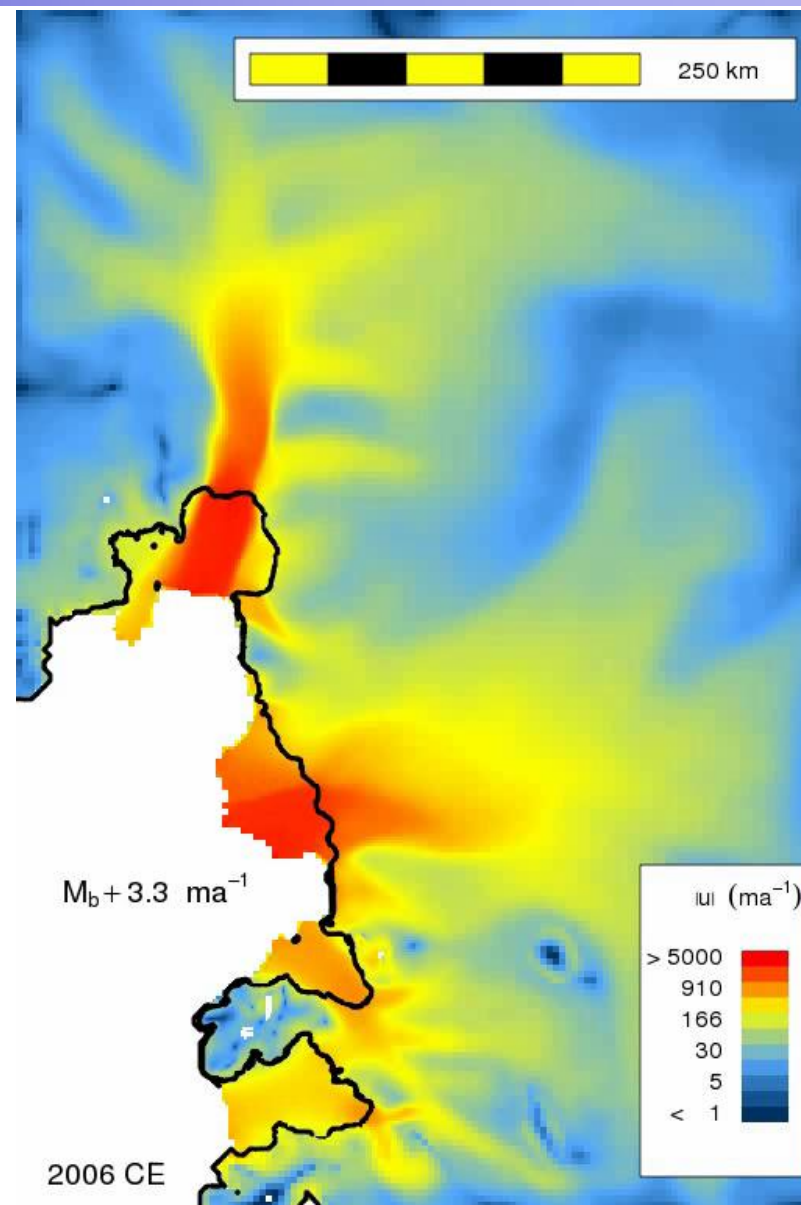
- Need at least 2 km resolution to get any measurable contribution to SLR.
- Appears to converge at first-order in Δx

SLR vs. year, Amundsen Sea Sector



Ice2Sea Amundsen (cont) - Thwaites?

- In 400 year run, Thwaites destabilizes as well.
- Same forcing as previous run, subshelf melting held constant past 2200.
- Thwaites is very stable, until it tips.



Recent Code developments

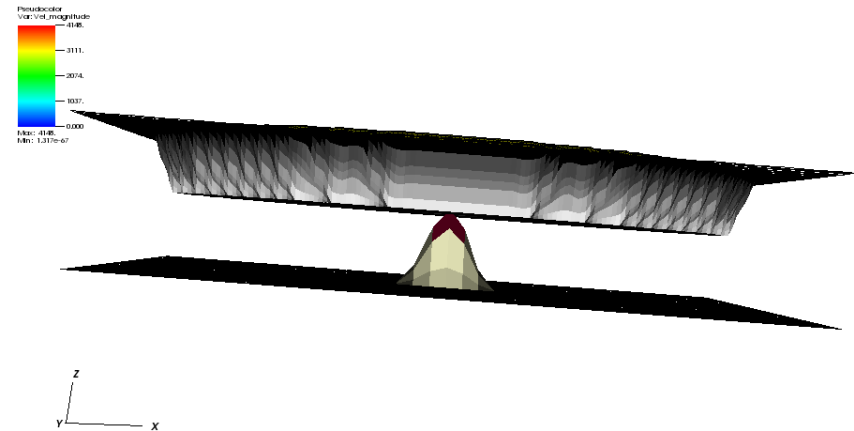
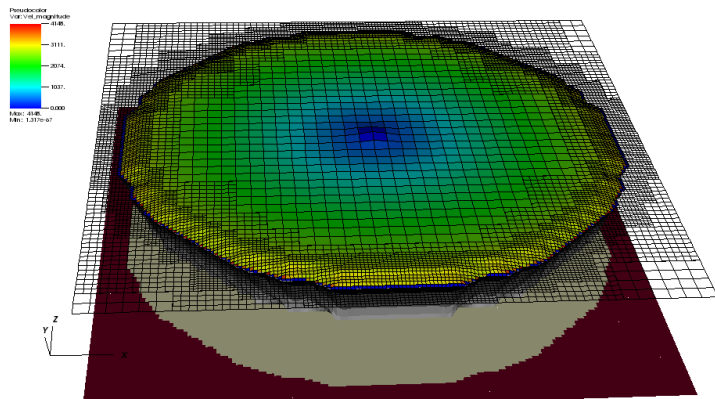
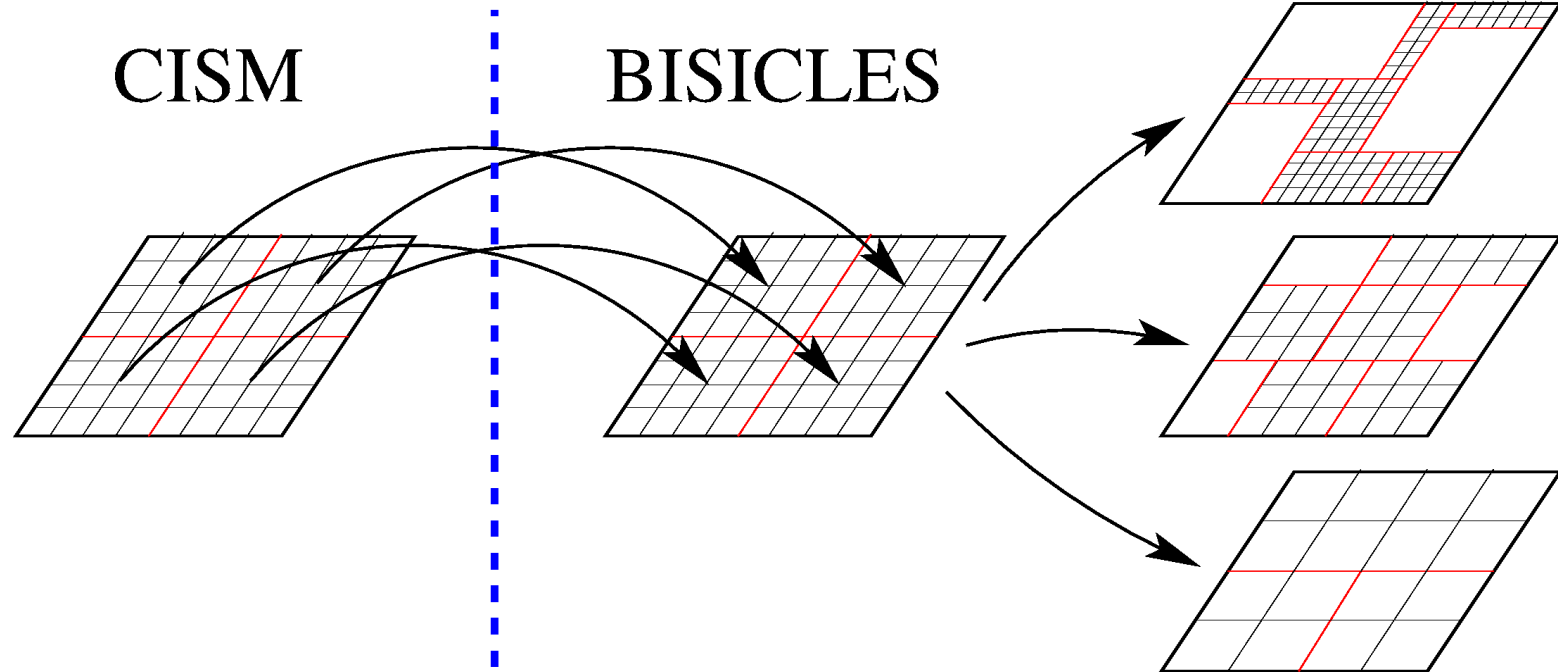
- ❑ BISICLES/CISM coupling
- ❑ FAS multigrid solver
- ❑ Embedded boundary for Grounding lines

CISM/BISICLES coupling update

- ❑ Extension of existing serial coupled code to work in the fully distributed case (no serial bottlenecks)
- ❑ CISM (F90) to BISICLES (C++)
- ❑ General API design for coupling alternate dynamical cores into CISM
- ❑ Moderately complex build process (working to streamline)
- ❑ CISM owns “main”, problem setup, coupler to CESM, other physics (like isostasy, hydrology, etc)
- ❑ CISM hands control to BISICLES, which evolves the ice sheet
- ❑ BISICLES passes fields like thickness, velocity back to CISM



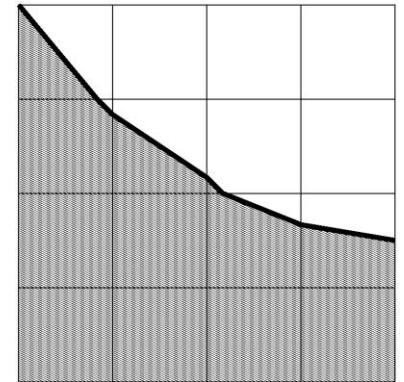
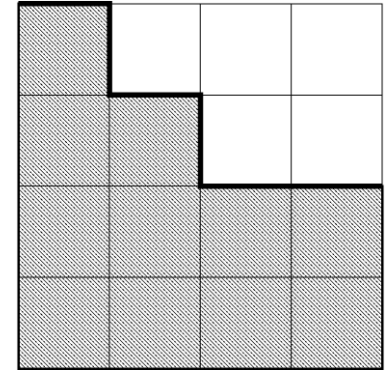
CISM/BISICLES coupling update (cont)



Embedded Boundary (EB) for Grounding Lines

▪ Embedded Boundary (EBChombo)

- Currently force GL and ice margins to cell faces
- “Stair-step” discretization
Known to be inadequate from experience with Stefan Problem in other contexts!
- Use Chombo Embedded-boundary support to improve discretization of GL’s and ice margins.
- Can solve as a Stefan Problem, with appropriate jump conditions enforced at grounding line.
(as in Schoof, 2007)



New FAS Multigrid nonlinear solver

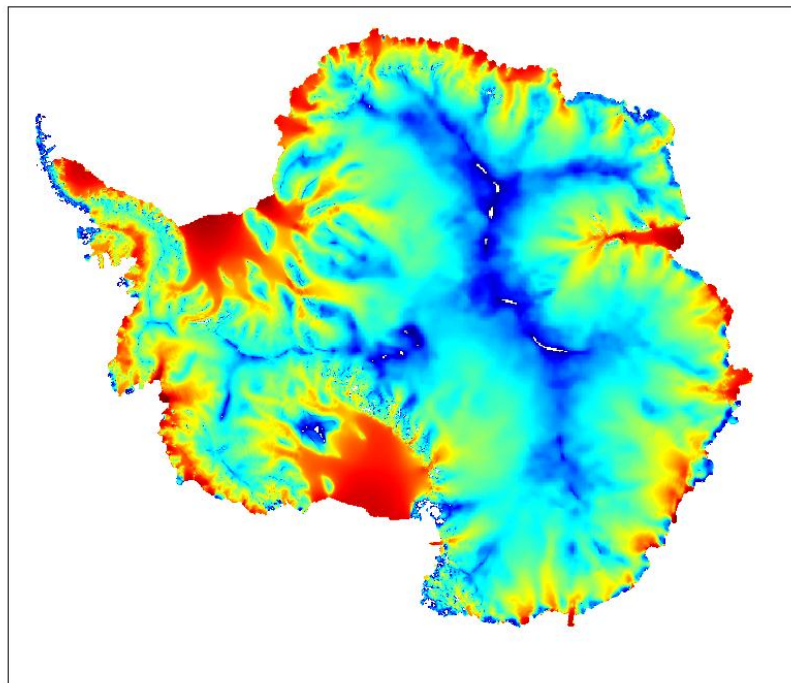
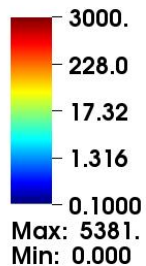
- ❑ Full Approximation Storage (FAS) - nonlinear multigrid
- ❑ Picard, JFNK:
 - linear solver nested inside of nonlinear one
 - Linear Multigrid solvers (residual-correction form) work well.
- ❑ FAS Multigrid - fully nonlinear solver (no outer solver)
 - Can outperform JFNK/MG
 - More robust (don't need good initial guess)
 - Simpler to implement and maintain
 - Nonlinear convergence similar to MG linear convergence



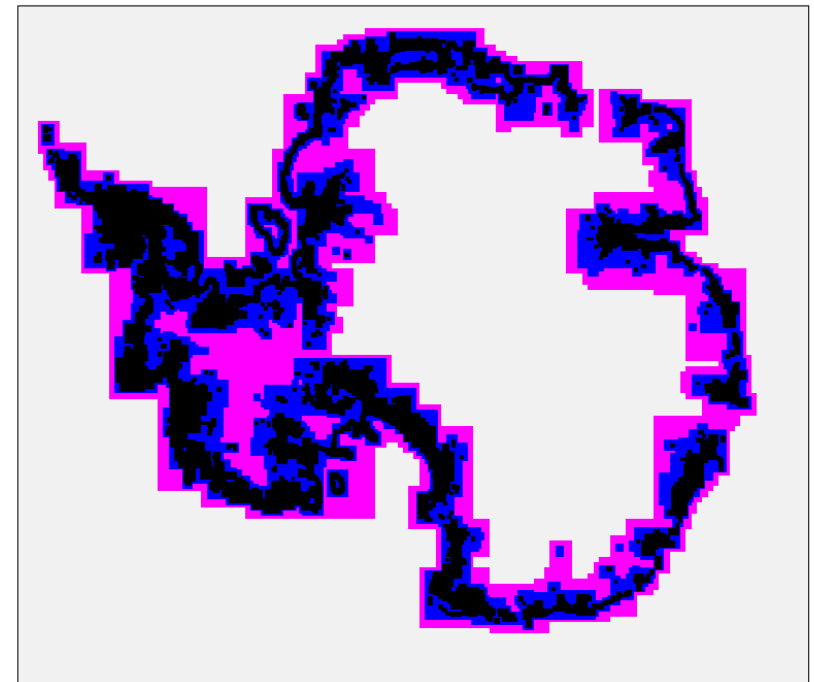
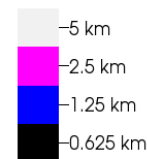
Antarctica (Ice2Sea)

- Refinement based on Laplacian(velocity), grounding lines
- 5 km base mesh with 3 levels of refinement
 - base level (5 km): 409,600 cells (100% of domain)
 - level 1 (2.5 km): 370,112 cells (22.5% of domain)
 - Level 2 (1.25 km): 955,072 cells (14.6% of domain)
 - Level 3 (625 m): 2,065,536 cells (7.88% of domain)

Mag(Velocity)



Mesh Resolution



Next Steps

- ❑ Continue work with CISM/BISICLES hybrid code
 - Fully 2-way coupling
 - Eventual coupling to CESM
- ❑ Embedded boundary approach is promising
- ❑ More solver improvements
- ❑ Full-Stokes dynamical core



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Extras

Linear Solvers - GAMG vs. Geometric MG

