

# A multi-grid implicit scheme for time discretization in COHERENS: what and why

# Overview

- What is a multi-grid implicit scheme
- Why apply a multi-grid implicit scheme
- What changes in COHERENS
- How does a multi-grid scheme work
- Features of the COHERENS multi-grid scheme
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# What is a multi-grid implicit scheme

- Multi-grid scheme: algorithm for solving differential equations with a **hierarchy of discretizations**
- Explicit scheme: the state of the system at a later time computed from the system state at the **current time**
- Implicit scheme: solves an equation involving both the **current state of the system and the later one**

# Why a multi-grid implicit scheme

- Explicit time stepping:
  - Slow
  - CFL condition (to keep the error bounded)
- Implicit time stepping:
  - Unconditionally stable
  - Large time steps can be handled
- Multi-grid scheme: **accelerates the convergence** of iterative methods by global correction from one time step to the next one by **solving a coarse grid problem**

# What does change in COHERENS

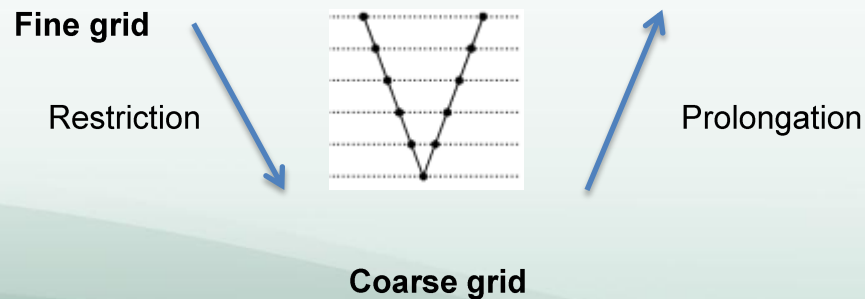
- Switch: *iopt\_hydro\_impl*:
  - 0: explicit time discretization (mode splitting technique)
  - 1: **implicit** time discretization with multi-grid scheme
- ~~Mode splitting technique for time integration:~~
  - 2D depth integrated momentum and continuity equations solved with a time step small enough to satisfy the CFL condition
  - Results inserted in the 3D equations solved with a time step 10 to 20 times longer

# How does a multi-grid scheme work

- What you wish:
  - To solve  $T(u) = f$
  - Solution:  $u$
- Error:  $e_m = u_m - u$
- Residual:  $r_m = T_m(u_m) - f_m$
- Error:
  - high frequencies: removed in a few **iterations**
  - low frequencies: reduced very slowly
  - multi-grid idea: to change to a **coarser grid** where low frequencies act like higher frequencies

# How does a multi-grid scheme work

- Three stages:
  - A restriction matrix: transfers vectors from the fine grid to the coarse grid
  - Iteration methods: on the coarser grid
  - A prolongation (interpolation) matrix: to return from the coarse to the fine grid:
  - Fine-coarse-fine loop: cycle



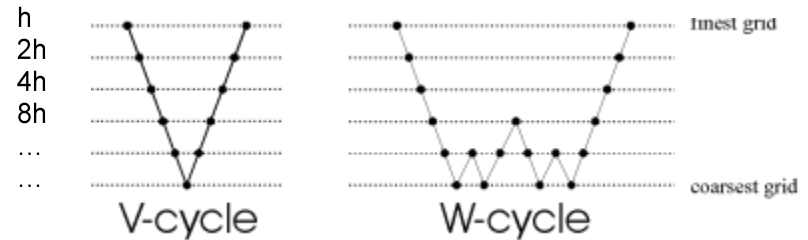
# How does a multi-grid scheme work

- Algorithm:
  - Solve  $T_m(u_m) = f_m$  on the fine grid
  - Compute residual on the fine grid:  $r_m = T_m(u_m) - f_m$
  - Restrict the residual from the fine grid to the coarse grid
  - Cycle  $\gamma$  times (iteration) to minimize the residual on the coarse grid
  - Apply the coarse grid correction
  - Prolongate from the coarse grid to the fine grid

# Features of the COHERENS multi-grid scheme

- Iterations until convergence: *iopt\_mg\_cycle*

- 1: V-cycle
- 2: W-cycle



- Two iterative techniques: *iopt\_mg\_smoother*

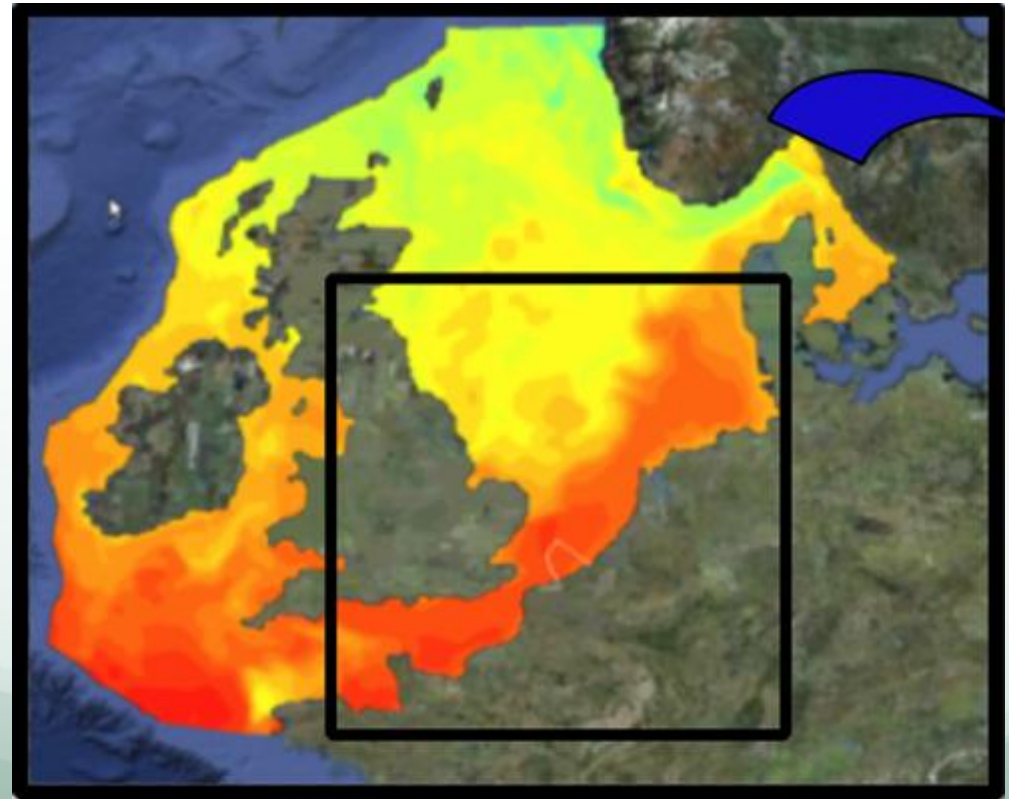
- 1: Jacobi
- 2: Gauss-Seidel with red-black ordering: updates the even (red) points and then the odd (black) points

- Prolongation operators: *iopt\_mg\_prolong*

- 1: injection
- 2: bilinear interpolation

# Application: the CSM test case

- North Sea Continental Shelf Model
- 2D simulations
- April 2006
- Tides:
  - 8 harmonic components
- Time step:
  - explicit: 20 sec
  - multigrid: 300 sec



# The CSM test case: results

Scheme	Nb procs	Nb grid lev.	Cycle	Smoother	CPU time
Expl.	11	-	-	-	5042s.
Impl.	11	3	V	Jacobi	872s.
Impl.	11	3	V	G.-S.	889s.
Impl.	11	3	W	Jacobi	894s.
Impl.	11	3	W	G.-S.	1010s.