

5. Energy-stable Consistent Finite Difference Schemes

5.1 Nonlinear Stability

Inversely nonlinear equation may become unstable even if the linear stability criterion is not violated. After some time "variance" (or noise) will appear on small scales, will grow slowly and eventually grow exponentially. In a linear problem, no Fourier modes can interact with the other, one expect the modes to interact when nonlinearity is included \Rightarrow creation of variance.

~~Since~~ a uniform grid can only have ~~several~~ numbers $k \in [0, \frac{2\pi}{2\Delta x}]$. If any nonlinear

interaction creates variance in scales $k > \frac{\pi}{2\Delta x}$, the grid cannot resolve this energy and it will be folded into some other wave numbers. (Accumulation of small scales energy).

The feedback through aliasing explains how nonlinear instability can develop if energy is freely generated. In numerical models, it is therefore important to damp out the small space scales to control nonlinear instabilities. This is done by getting rid of the accumulation of energy in the small scales with an explicit viscosity (Lagrange, Bézier, ...) or with a dissipative finite difference method.

5.2 Energy method

So far we have investigated the numerical stability of linear equations primarily by using the Fourier method. In the presence of non linear terms, to reduce the presence of nonlinear instabilities, the so-called "energy method" is a powerful tool.

This method may or may not have anything to do with physical laws of energy. It provides a sufficient condition for stability and is applicable to nonlinear equations.

If the true solution is known to be bounded, then the finite-difference solution should also be examined for boundlessness. In other words, are quantities that are conserved by the differential equations conserved by the FD equations?

a) Burgers equation

Let's first consider the simple case of the Burgers equation $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)$

$$(1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \end{array} \right.$$

$$(2) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial(u^2/2)}{\partial t} = -u^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial u^3}{\partial x} \end{array} \right.$$

Integration with respect to x gives,

$$(3) \quad \int_0^L \frac{\partial(u^2/2)}{\partial t} dx = -\frac{1}{3} (u_L^3 - u_0^3) \text{ which}$$

implies conservation of the kinetic energy if $u_0 = u_L = 0$
(zero flux at the boundaries)

If the interval $[0, L]$ is discretized in N segments Δx , then the RHS of (3) can be rewritten as

$$-\frac{1}{3} [(u_1^3 - u_0^3) + (u_2^3 - u_1^3) + \dots + (u_N^3 - u_{N-1}^3)]$$

The integral is approximated by a sum with all the neighbors canceling.

Let's now examine several finite difference approximations.

* centered in space

$$\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} = -u_j \left(\frac{u_{j+1} - u_{j-1}}{2\Delta x} \right)$$

Multiplying by u_j and forming the sum. (integral)

$$\int_0^L \frac{\partial(u_j^2)}{\partial t} dx = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (u_j^2 u_{j+1} - u_j^2 u_{j-1})$$

This does not cancel and
the scheme does not conserve energy

* flux difference form

$$\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial(u_j^2/2)}{\partial x} = -\frac{(u_{j+1}^2 - u_j^2)}{4\Delta x}$$

$$\int_0^L \frac{\partial(u_j^2/2)}{\partial t} dx = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (u_{j+1}^2 u_j - u_j^2 u_{j+1})$$

does not cancel

* Conserving scheme

$$\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} = -\frac{(u_{j+1} + u_j + u_{j-1})(u_{j+1} - u_{j-1})}{6\Delta x}$$

$$\int_0^L \frac{\partial(u_j^2/2)}{\partial t} dx = -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (u_j^2 u_{j+1} + u_j u_{j-1}) - (u_{j-1}^2 u_j + u_j u_{j+1}^2)$$

which cancel.

This scheme is too simple for more complex systems

b) Two-dimensional nonlinear advection equation

(4)

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \alpha = -u \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y}$$

α is a scalar which may depend on x, y

(4) can be written as

$$(5) \quad \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\alpha \vec{V}) + \alpha \nabla \cdot \vec{V}$$

For non divergent flow, the area average $\bar{\alpha}$ remains constant provided the spatial averaging is done over a closed domain. Under the same circumstances, any power of α is also conserved and in particular $\bar{\alpha}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2} \right) &= \alpha \left(-\nabla \cdot (\alpha \vec{V}) + \alpha \nabla \cdot \vec{V} \right) \\ &= -\nabla \cdot (\alpha^2 \vec{V}) + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla \frac{\alpha^2}{2} + \alpha^2 \nabla \cdot \vec{V} \\ &= -\nabla \cdot (\alpha^2 \vec{V}) + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2} \vec{V} \right) - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \nabla \cdot \vec{V} + \alpha^2 \nabla \cdot \vec{V} \\ (6) \quad &= -\nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2} \vec{V} \right) + \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \nabla \cdot \vec{V} \end{aligned}$$

We then are trying to achieve the same with the finite-difference expression of (5)

Definitions: $S_x a = \frac{a(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}) - a(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2})}{\Delta x}$

$$\bar{a}^* = \frac{a(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}) + a(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2})}{2}$$

$$S_x(\bar{a}^*) = (\bar{S}_x a)^*$$
 commutative

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a}^* S_x b &= S_x(ab) - \bar{b}^* S_x a \\ a S_x b &= S_x(\bar{a}^* b) - b S_x a \end{aligned} \quad \text{product rules}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \bar{a}^* S_x a = S_x \frac{a^2}{2} \\ a S_x \bar{a}^* = S_x \frac{\bar{a}^2}{2} \end{cases}$$

where

$$\bar{a}^2 = a(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}) \cdot a(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \overline{\overline{ab}}^x = \overline{a}^x \overline{b}^x + \left(\frac{\delta_x}{2} S_x a \right) \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2} S_x b \right) \\ \overline{\overline{a}^x b} = a \overline{b}^x + S_x \left(\frac{\Delta x^2}{4} b S_x a \right) \end{array} \right.$$

The following finite difference operator can be shown as "quadratic - conservative", i.e. that it leads to a FD conservation equation analog to (6). u, v, α are defined at the same grid locations.

$$(7) \quad \boxed{\nabla \cdot (\alpha \vec{v}) = S_x (\bar{x}^x \bar{u}^x) + S_y (\bar{x}^y \bar{v}^y)}$$

Let's reproduce the steps that lead to (6)

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha S_x (\bar{x}^x \bar{u}^x) &= S_x \left[(\bar{x}^x)^2 \bar{u}^x \right] - \overline{\bar{u}^x \bar{x}^x S_x \alpha}^x \\ &= S_x \left[(\bar{x}^x)^2 \bar{u}^x \right] - \bar{u}^x S_x \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \\ &= S_x \left[(\bar{x}^x)^2 \bar{u}^x \right] - S_x \left[\frac{\bar{x}^2}{2} \bar{u}^x \right] + \frac{\alpha^2}{2} S_x \bar{u}^x \\ &= S_x \left[\frac{\bar{x}^2}{2} \bar{u}^x \right] + \frac{\alpha^2}{2} S_x \bar{u}^x \end{aligned}$$

We have to add

$$\alpha^2 \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = \alpha^2 S_x \bar{u}^x + S_y \bar{v}^y \quad \text{to arrive at (6)}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2} \right) = -S_x \left(\frac{\bar{x}^2}{2} \bar{u}^x \right) - S_y \left(\frac{\bar{x}^2}{2} \bar{v}^y \right) + \frac{\alpha^2}{2} (S_x \bar{u}^x + S_y \bar{v}^y)$$

which proves that $\frac{\alpha^2}{2}$ sum up to zero over all the grid parts provided that the finite-difference divergence is equal to zero
 $(S_x \bar{u}^x + S_y \bar{v}^y = 0)$

Let's now derive the FD equivalent to $\vec{v} \cdot \nabla \alpha$ which is consistent with the previous derivation.

$$\vec{v} \cdot \nabla \alpha = \nabla \cdot (\alpha \vec{v}) - \alpha \nabla \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} &= S_x [\bar{u}^x \bar{v}^x] - \alpha S_x \bar{v}^x \\ &= \alpha S_x \bar{v}^x + \overline{\bar{v}^x \delta_{xx}}^x - \alpha S_x \bar{v}^x \\ &= \overline{\bar{v}^x \delta_{xx}}^x \end{aligned}$$

$$v \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y} = \overline{\bar{v}^y S_y \alpha}^y \quad \text{(conservative)}$$

Note that the "ordinary" advection operator

$$\vec{v} \cdot \nabla \alpha = u S_x \bar{v}^x + v S_y \bar{v}^y$$

or

$$\nabla \cdot (\alpha \vec{v}) = S_x (\bar{v} u') + S_y (\bar{v} v')$$

~~all~~ do not arrive at an expression similar to (6). They are not quadratic-conservative, but are conservative, they conserve $\bar{\alpha}$ provided the divergence is equal to zero. (Exercise)

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5.3 Energy and enstrophy conservation in the vorticity equation.

Non linear instability can develop if energy is falsely generated and persistently channelled toward the short resolvable wavenumbers. Arakawa (1966) derived an elegant method for eliminating these artificial sources of energy. This can be illustrated

(7)

by an important case of 5.2 by setting α equal to the vorticity

$$\zeta = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

In two-dimensional flows, we can introduce the streamfunction ψ such that $\zeta = \nabla^2 \psi$ and $\vec{v} = \vec{k} \times \nabla \psi$

Equation (4) then becomes, as a function of ψ ,

$$(8) \boxed{\nabla^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = J(\nabla^2 \psi, \psi)}$$

where J is the jacobian

Properties:

- * $J(a, b) = a_x b_y - b_x a_y$

- * $J(a, b) = (\nabla a) \cdot \vec{k} \times \nabla b$
 $= \nabla \cdot (\vec{k} \times a \nabla b)$
 $= -\nabla \cdot (\vec{k} \times b \nabla a)$

- * Integration of the jacobian over a domain D yields (Gauss law)

$$\iint_D J(a, b) dx dy = \oint a \frac{\partial b}{\partial s} ds = - \oint b \frac{\partial a}{\partial s} ds$$

\Rightarrow The area integral vanishes if either a or b is constant along the edge of D . In particular, if (8) is integrated over a closed domain (the edge of which coincide with a streamline), then the area integral of $\nabla^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}$ vanishes and ζ is conserved

→ Multiplication of (8) by ζ yields.

$$(9) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\zeta^2}{2} \right) = \mathcal{J} \left(\frac{\zeta^2}{2}, \psi \right)$$

which implies that $\overline{\frac{\zeta^2}{2}}$ is also conserved. $\frac{\zeta^2}{2}$ is called "entropy".

→ Multiplication of (8) by ψ yields.

$$(10) \quad \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla^2 \psi) = \mathcal{J} (\nabla^2 \psi, \frac{\psi^2}{2}).$$

Integration over a closed domain implies that the RHS is equal to zero. The LHS term can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla^2 \psi) &= \nabla \cdot \left(\psi \nabla \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) - \nabla \psi \cdot \left(\nabla \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) \\ &= \nabla \cdot \left(\psi \nabla \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\nabla \psi}{2} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

The area integral of $\nabla \cdot \left(\psi \nabla \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right)$ is then equal to $\psi_B \oint \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} \right) ds = \psi_B \oint \frac{\partial V_S}{\partial t} ds$ (11)

Addition of a constant to the ψ field does not affect the RHS of (10) or $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\nabla^2 \psi}{2} \right)$ and therefore should not have any effect on the whole integral (11).

Only true $\oint \frac{\partial V_S}{\partial t} ds = 0$

Since $\frac{1}{2}(\nabla \psi)^2$ is the kinetic energy, (8) then also conserve the mean kinetic energy in a closed domain. (Coexist with 5.2 since non divergent flow).

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Let's now investigate if we can conserve both angular and energy in the FD operator representing the function $\sigma(\xi, \psi)$

$$\sigma(\xi, \psi) = \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\xi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\xi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) \quad (13)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\psi \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\psi \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} \right) \quad (14)$$

We can then define

$$\sigma_1(\xi, \psi) = (\delta_x \bar{\xi}^x)(\delta_y \bar{\psi}^y) - (\delta_y \bar{\xi}^y)(\delta_x \bar{\psi}^x)$$

$$\sigma_2(\xi, \psi) = \delta_x \left(\xi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right)^x - \delta_y \left(\xi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right)^y$$

$$\sigma_3(\xi, \psi) = \delta_y \left(\psi \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} \right)^y - \delta_x \left(\psi \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} \right)^x$$

Since both σ_2 and σ_3 are of the form $\delta_x(\cdot) + \delta_y(\cdot)$, they both conserve $\bar{\xi}$ (See 5.2). This is also true for σ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\xi, \psi) &= \delta_x \left[(\delta_y \bar{\psi}^y) \bar{\xi}^x \right] - \left[\bar{\xi}^x \delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^y \right]^x \\ &\quad - \delta_y \left[(\delta_x \bar{\psi}^x) \bar{\xi}^y \right] + \left[\bar{\xi}^y \delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^x \right]^y \\ &= \delta_x (\cdot) - \delta_y (\cdot) \\ &\quad - \delta_x \left[\frac{\Delta x^2}{4} (\delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^y) \delta_x \bar{\xi} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_y \left[\frac{\Delta y^2}{4} (\delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^x) \delta_y \bar{\xi} \right] = \delta_x (\cdot) \delta_y (\cdot) \end{aligned}$$

Let's now investigate the quadratic conservative properties of σ_1 , σ_2 and σ_3 .

- * It turns out that neither $\{\sigma_1$ nor $\varphi\sigma_1$ can be brought into the form $s_x(\cdot) + s_y(\cdot)$.

* $\boxed{\sigma_2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \{\sigma_2(\xi, \psi) &= s_x\left(\bar{\xi}^x \overline{\{\delta_y \bar{\psi}\}^y}\right) - \overline{\{\delta_y \bar{\psi}\}^y s_x \xi}^x \\ &\quad - s_y\left[\bar{\xi}^y \overline{\{\delta_x \bar{\psi}\}^x}\right] + \overline{\{\delta_x \bar{\psi}\}^x s_y \xi}^y \\ &= s_x\left(\bar{\xi}^x \cdots\right) - \underbrace{\xi (\delta_y \bar{\psi}) (s_x \bar{\xi}^x)}_{\text{---}} - s_x(\cdots) \\ &\quad - s_y\left(\bar{\xi}^y \cdots\right) + \underbrace{\xi (\delta_x \bar{\psi}) (s_y \bar{\xi}^y)}_{\text{---}} + s_y(\cdots) \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \boxed{= -\xi \sigma_1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2\} = s_x(\cdots) + s_y(\cdots).$$

or

$$\{\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}\} = \cdots \quad "$$

\Rightarrow The average of σ_1 and σ_2 causes eudrophy!

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \varphi \sigma_2(\xi, \psi) &= s_x\left[\bar{\psi}^x \overline{\{\delta_y \bar{\psi}\}^y}\right] - \overline{\{\delta_y \bar{\psi}\}^y s_x \psi}^x \\ &\quad - s_y\left(\bar{\psi}^y \overline{\{\delta_x \bar{\psi}\}^x}\right) - \overline{\{\delta_x \bar{\psi}\}^x s_y \psi}^y \\ &= s_x(\cdots) - \underbrace{\xi (\delta_y \bar{\psi}) (s_x \bar{\psi}^x)}_{\text{---}} s_x(\cdots) \\ &\quad - s_y(\cdots) + \underbrace{\cdots}_{=0} + s_y(\cdots) \\ &= s_x(\cdots) + s_y(\cdots) \end{aligned}$$

σ_2 causes energy

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Since σ_2 and σ_3 are antisymmetric with respect to β and ψ , it can be immediately concluded that

$\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}$	causes energy
and	σ_3 causes entrophy.

We have now two energy conserving Jacobians

$$\sigma_2, \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}$$

and two entrophy conserving ones

$$\sigma_3, \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$$

Any linear combination of the two are also conserving (energy for $\sigma_2, \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}$)
 (entropy for $\sigma_3, \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$)

Question:

Is it then possible to find a Jacobian which is at the same time, a combination of $\sigma_2, \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}$ and σ_3 and $\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$?

$$\alpha \sigma_2 + \beta \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2} = \gamma \sigma_3 + \delta \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$$

$$\text{with } (\alpha + \beta = 1) \\ (\gamma + \delta = 1)$$

There is one non-trivial solution

$$\alpha = \gamma = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\beta = \delta = \frac{2}{3}$$

$\Rightarrow J_A = \frac{1}{3} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)$	(15)
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which is the Arekawa Jacobian which conserves both energy and entrophy

* For practical use, the Jacobians can be simplified.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\bar{\sigma}_1 + \bar{\sigma}_2)(\xi, \psi) &= \left((\delta_x \bar{\xi}^*) \delta_y \bar{\psi}^y + \delta_x (\overline{\xi \delta_y \bar{\psi}^y})^* \right) \\
 &\quad - \left((\delta_y \bar{\xi}^y) \delta_x \bar{\psi}^x + \delta_y (\overline{\xi \delta_x \bar{\psi}^x})^* \right) \\
 &= \left(\delta_x (\bar{\xi}^* \delta_y \bar{\psi}^{xy}) - \bar{\xi}^* \delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^y + \bar{\xi}^* \delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^x + (\delta_x \bar{\xi}) \delta_y \bar{\psi}^{xy} \right) \\
 &\quad - \left(\dots \right) \\
 &= 2 \delta_x (\bar{\xi}^* \delta_y \bar{\psi}^{xy}) - \bar{\xi} \delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^{xy} \\
 &\quad - 2 \delta_y (\bar{\xi}^y \delta_x \bar{\psi}^{xy}) + \bar{\xi} \delta_x \delta_y \bar{\psi}^{xy} \\
 \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\bar{\sigma}_1 + \bar{\sigma}_2}{2}(\xi, \psi) = \delta_x (\bar{\xi}^* \delta_y \bar{\psi}^{xy}) - \delta_y (\bar{\xi}^y \delta_x \bar{\psi}^{xy})} \quad (16)
 \end{aligned}$$

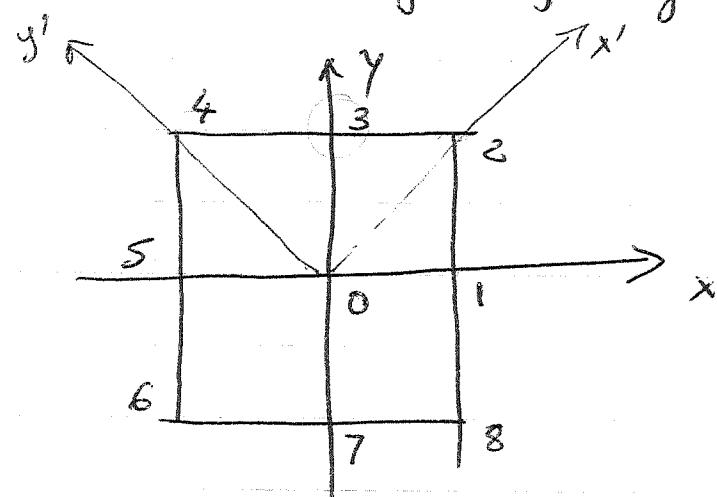
In a similar way,

Energy conserving

$$\boxed{\frac{\bar{\sigma}_1 + \bar{\sigma}_3}{2}(\xi, \psi) = -\delta_x (\bar{\psi}^x \delta_y \bar{\xi}^{xy}) + \delta_y (\bar{\psi}^y \delta_x \bar{\xi}^{xy})} \quad (17)$$

* Expression for the Alabama Jacobian:

Let's consider the following grid



J_3 can be written in the form

(18)

$$4\Delta x \Delta y J_3(\zeta, \psi) = (-\psi_1(\zeta_2 - \zeta_8) + \psi_5(\zeta_4 - \zeta_6) \\ + \psi_3(\zeta_2 - \zeta_4) - \psi_5(\zeta_8 - \zeta_6)) \\ = ((\zeta_2 + \zeta_0)(\psi_3 - \psi_1) - (\zeta_6 + \zeta_0)(\psi_5 - \psi_7)) \\ - ((\zeta_4 + \zeta_0)(\psi_3 - \psi_5) - (\zeta_8 + \zeta_0)(\psi_1 - \psi_7))$$

(19)

$$\Rightarrow J_3(\zeta, \psi) = S_{x'}(\bar{\zeta}^{x'} S_y \psi) - S_{y'}(\bar{\zeta}^{y'} S_x \psi)$$

coordinates axes (x', y') rotated 45°
relative to (x, y)

Cubing \Rightarrow
(16) and (19)

$$J_A(\zeta, \psi) = \frac{1}{12\Delta x \Delta y} ($$

$$(\zeta_1 + \zeta_0)(\psi_2 + \psi_3 - \psi_7 - \psi_8) \\ + (\zeta_3 + \zeta_0)(\psi_4 + \psi_5 - \psi_1 - \psi_2) \\ + (\zeta_5 + \zeta_0)(\psi_6 + \psi_7 - \psi_3 - \psi_4) \\ + (\zeta_7 + \zeta_0)(\psi_8 + \psi_1 - \psi_5 - \psi_6) \\ + (\zeta_2 + \zeta_0)(\psi_3 - \psi_1) \\ + (\zeta_4 + \zeta_0)(\psi_5 - \psi_3) \\ + (\zeta_6 + \zeta_0)(\psi_7 - \psi_5) \\ + (\zeta_8 + \zeta_0)(\psi_1 - \psi_7))$$

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The terms in ζ_0 cancel, the expression can use $\zeta_0 - \zeta_0$
or no ζ_0 .

The fact that one conserves both energy and enstrophy eliminate the aliasing problem caused by inhibited pile-up of energy near the short-wave resolution limit of the computational mesh since the average wave number is conserved.

In this particular case, one does not need to have an artificial diffusion scheme or a selective dissipative finite difference scheme.

Conservation of both mean enstrophy and energy greatly inhibits the redistribution of energy in wave number space. (Phillips, 1956, 1959; Fjørtoft, 1953; Arakawa, 1966)

Demonstration:

We decompose the ψ field into a series of orthogonal functions ψ_k $\psi = \sum_k \psi_k$

The ψ_k can be chosen as the solutions of the Helmholtz equation $\nabla^2 \psi_k + k_k^2 \psi_k = 0$ which form a complete set of orthogonal functions.

The special case of
Let's consider a rectangular domain $\begin{cases} 0 \leq x \leq a \\ 0 \leq y \leq b \end{cases}$

Assumption: separation of variables $\psi = A(x) B(y)$

$$\Rightarrow A''B + B''A + k^2 AB = 0$$

or

$$\frac{A''}{A} + \frac{k^2}{2} = - \left(\frac{B''}{B} + \frac{k^2}{2} \right) = \text{constant} = \gamma^2$$

Then A and B must satisfy

$$A'' = - \left(\frac{k^2}{2} - \gamma^2 \right) A \quad \text{and} \quad B'' = - \left(\frac{k^2}{2} + \gamma^2 \right) B$$

$$\text{If } A(0) = A(a) = B(0) = B(b) = 0$$

(Homogeneous boundary conditions)

Then λ and γ must satisfy

$$\left| \frac{\lambda^2}{2} - \gamma^2 = \frac{\pi^2 m^2}{a^2} \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \gamma^2 = \frac{\pi^2 n^2}{b^2} \right.$$

or
$$\boxed{\lambda^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{m^2} \left(\frac{m^2}{a^2} + \frac{n^2}{b^2} \right)}$$

with the corresponding eigenfunctions

$$\boxed{\psi_{m,n} = \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{\pi y}{b}}$$

→ The mean kinetic energy $\bar{K} = \frac{1}{2} \overline{(\nabla \psi)^2}$ can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{K} &= \frac{1}{2} \overline{(\nabla \psi)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \overline{\nabla \cdot (\psi \nabla \psi)} - \frac{1}{2} \overline{\psi \nabla^2 \psi} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_m \psi_{m,n} \sum_n \lambda_{m,n}^2 \psi_{m,n} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m,n} \lambda_{m,n}^2 \overline{\psi_{m,n}^2} = \sum_{m,n} K_{m,n} \end{aligned}$$

where we used the orthogonality property of $\psi_{m',n}, \psi_{m,n} = 0$ unless $m' = m$

→ The mean energy $\bar{E} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m,n} K_{m,n}$ can be expressed as

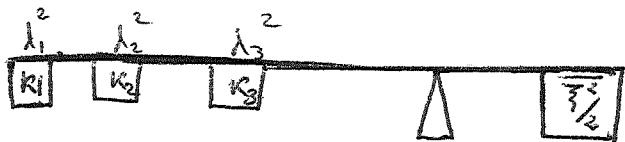
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \bar{E} &= \frac{1}{2} \overline{(\nabla^2 \psi)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m,n} \lambda_{m,n}^2 \psi_{m,n} \sum_{m,n} \lambda_{m,n}^2 \psi_{m,n} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m,n} \lambda_{m,n}^4 \overline{\psi_{m,n}^2} = \sum_{m,n} \lambda_{m,n}^2 K_{m,n} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can derive an average wave number by

$$\boxed{\overline{\lambda^2} = \frac{\sum_{m,n} \lambda_{m,n}^4 K_{m,n}}{\sum_{m,n} K_{m,n}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \bar{E}^2}{\bar{K}}}$$

This momentum is conserved as long as \bar{K} and $\frac{1}{2} \bar{\zeta}^2$ are conserved. The implication is that there can be no overall one-way cascade of energy in wave number space. If some "local" cascading takes place in some part of the spectrum, there must be a compensating shift of energy in another part of the spectrum.

This mechanism is often explained in terms of kinetic energies balancing a fixed amount of total enstrophy



If energy is transferred for escape from K_2 to K_3 then the balance is broken. It will be balanced only if some energy is transferred also to K_1 .

A cascading problem caused by pile-up of energy near the short wave resolution limit in the computational mesh can therefore be eliminated by using an energy and enstrophy conserving operator.

5.4. Quadratic conservative momentum advection schemes

The Jacobian operator $\mathcal{T}(\xi, \psi)$ of (8) arises through the cross-differentiation of the advection terms in the u and v momentum equations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla u) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla v)$$

It would be of great interest to backtrack this derivation to obtain finite difference operators for $\vec{v} \cdot \nabla u$ and $\vec{v} \cdot \nabla v$ which have

(17)

conservative properties similar to the previous Galerkin operators.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla v) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla u) &= \\
 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) &= \\
 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - u \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(v \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) &= \\
 \nabla \cdot [\vec{v}] = \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} &
 \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

We now define $\begin{cases} u = -\delta_y \psi \\ v = \delta_x \psi \end{cases}$

(Staggered u, v)

We can then rewrite Ω_2 and $\frac{\Omega_1 + \Omega_2}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega_2(\vec{z}, \psi) &= \delta_x \left(\overline{(\vec{z} \cdot \delta_y \bar{\psi})^x} \right) - \delta_y \left(\overline{(\vec{z} \cdot \delta_x \bar{\psi})^y} \right) \\
 &= -\delta_x \left((\delta_x v - \delta_y u) \bar{u}^x \right) - \delta_y \left((\delta_x v - \delta_y u) \bar{v}^y \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\Omega_1 + \Omega_2}{2}(\vec{z}, \psi) = \delta_x \left((\overline{\delta_x v - \delta_y u})^x \bar{u}^x \right) - \delta_y \left((\overline{\delta_x v - \delta_y u})^y \bar{v}^y \right)$$

* $\Omega_2(\vec{z}, \psi)$ can be rewritten as

$$\rightarrow \delta_x \left(\bar{u}^x \delta_x v + \bar{v}^y \delta_y u \right) + \delta_y \left[\bar{v}^x \delta_x u + \bar{v}^y \delta_y u \right]$$

$$\text{since } \delta_x (\bar{u}^x \delta_y u) = \delta_y (\bar{v}^x \delta_x u)$$

Comparing (21) to (20), we can deduce the following energy-conserving momentum advection

operators.

(22)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{v} \cdot \nabla u = \bar{u}^x S_x u + \bar{v}^x S_y u \\ \vec{v} \cdot \nabla v = \bar{u}^y S_x v + \bar{v}^y S_y v \end{array} \right.$$

(Equivalent to the "semi-machin" operators introduced in 5.2, except staggered in space)

* In a similar manner, $\frac{T_1 + T_2}{2}(\xi, \psi)$ can be rewritten as:

$$(23) -S_x (\bar{u}^{xy} S_x \bar{v}^x + \bar{v}^{yy} S_y \bar{v}^y) + S_y (\bar{u}^{xx} S_x \bar{u}^x + \bar{v}^{xy} S_y \bar{v}^y)$$

$$\text{since } S_x (\bar{u}^{xy} S_y \bar{u}^x) = S_y (\bar{u}^{xx} S_x \bar{u}^x)$$

We can then deduce the following entropy-conserving momentum advection operators.

(24)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{v} \cdot \nabla u = \bar{u}^{xx} S_x \bar{u}^x + \bar{v}^{xy} S_y \bar{u}^y \\ \vec{v} \cdot \nabla v = \bar{u}^{xy} S_x \bar{v}^x + \bar{v}^{yy} S_y \bar{v}^y \end{array} \right.$$

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→ If either (22)(24) is used in the momentum equation and if the flow is non divergent ($S_x u + S_y v = 0$) then energy or entropy is conserved in the same manner as it is in the vorticity equation through T_2 or $\frac{T_1 + T_2}{2}$. Sketched differently, only the divergent part of the velocity field is capable of creating or destroying energy or entropy, in perfect analogy to the behavior of the solutions of the differential equations.

We would like to have an operator that conserve both energy and angular as the Adakawa Jacobian. This means converting J_3 and is slightly more complex.

We start from (19) which is the expression with the axes rotated 45° .

$$J_3(\beta, \psi) = \delta_{x'} (\bar{\beta}^x \delta_y \psi) - \delta_{y'} (\bar{\beta}^y \delta_x \psi)$$

If we define $u' = -\delta_{y'} \psi$ and $v' = \delta_{x'} \psi$, then J_3 can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} J_3(\beta, \psi) &= -\delta_{x'} ((\overline{\delta_x v - \delta_y u})^x u') - \delta_{y'} ((\overline{\delta_x v - \delta_y u})^y v') \\ &= -\delta_{x'} \delta_x (\overline{v^x \overline{u^x}}) + \delta_{x'} (\overline{v^x \delta_x u'}) \quad \textcircled{2} \\ &\quad - \delta_{y'} \delta_x (\overline{v^y \overline{v^x}}) + \delta_{y'} (\overline{v^y \delta_x v'}) \quad \textcircled{4} \\ &\quad + \delta_{x'} \delta_y (\overline{u^x \overline{v^y}}) - \delta_{x'} (\overline{u^x \delta_y u'}) \quad \textcircled{6} \\ &\quad + \delta_{y'} \delta_y (\overline{u^y \overline{v^y}}) - \delta_{y'} (\overline{u^y \delta_y v'}) \quad \textcircled{8} \end{aligned}$$

$\delta_x, \delta_y, \delta_{x'}, \delta_{y'}$ are all antihermitian \rightarrow

① and ③ are FD analogs of $-\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \vec{v})$
 ⑤ and ⑦ $-\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \vec{u})$

Non divergent case $\delta_x u + \delta_y v = 0$

(25)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u' = -\delta_{y'} \psi = \frac{\bar{u}^x + \bar{v}^y}{\sqrt{2}} \\ v' = \delta_{x'} \psi = -\frac{\bar{u}^x + \bar{v}^y}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array} \right. \quad \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\delta_x \bar{\psi} + \delta_y \bar{\psi}) \right)$$

We then also have

$$\delta_x u' = -\delta_y v'$$

$$\delta_x v' = +\delta_x' v$$

$$\delta_x u' = \delta_y v$$

$$\delta_y v' = -\delta_x' u$$

$\Rightarrow J_3$ can then be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} J_3(\zeta, \psi) &= -\delta_x (\delta_x' (\bar{u}^x \bar{v}^{x'}) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{x'} \bar{v}'')) \\ &\quad + \delta_y (\delta_x' (\bar{u}^y \bar{u}^{x'}) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^y \bar{v}'')) \\ &\approx \underbrace{J_3(v, v)}_{\text{not } = 0}^x \neq \underbrace{J_3(u, u)}_{\text{not } = 0}^y \end{aligned}$$

No success.

If we now try to express also $\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$ with identifiable couples of $\nabla \cdot (\vec{v} u)$ and $\nabla \cdot (\vec{v} v)$, we can come up with a workable $J_A = (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + J_3)/3$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}(\zeta, \psi) &= -\delta_x (\bar{u}^{xy} \delta_x \bar{v}^x) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{xy} \delta_x \bar{v}^y) \\ &\quad + \delta_x (\bar{u}^{xy} \delta_y \bar{v}^x) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{xy} \delta_y \bar{v}^y) \\ &= -\delta_x (\delta_x (\bar{u}^{xx} \bar{v}^x) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{xx} \bar{v}^y)) \\ &\quad + \delta_y (\delta_x (\bar{u}^{yy} \bar{u}^x) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{yy} \bar{u}^y)) \\ &\quad - \underbrace{\frac{J_1 + J_2}{2}(v, v)}_{=}^x - \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}(u, u)}_{=}^y. \end{aligned}$$

Since $J_A(u, u) = J_A(v, v) = 0$, see above

the two expressions and we obtain for $\nabla \cdot \vec{v}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla \cdot (\vec{v}, \vec{u}) = & \frac{\nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \vec{u})}{\nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \vec{u})} \\
 & - \delta_x \left[\frac{2}{3} \left(\delta_x (\bar{u}^{xx} \bar{v}^x) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{xy} \bar{v}^y) \right) \right] \\
 (26) \quad & + \frac{1}{3} \left(\delta_x' (\bar{u}'^x \bar{v}^x) + \delta_y' (\bar{v}'^x \bar{v}^y) \right] \\
 & + \delta_y \left[\frac{2}{3} \left(\delta_x (\bar{u}^{yy} \bar{u}^x) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{yy} \bar{u}^y) \right) \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{3} \left[\delta_{x'} (\bar{u}'^y \bar{u}^x) + \delta_{y'} (\bar{v}'^y \bar{v}^y) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

The FD operators for $\nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \vec{u})$ and $\nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \vec{v})$ in this expression guarantee conservation of both energy and entropy by the non-divergent part of the flow. To obtain momentum advection operator applicable to divergent flow, suitable FD analogs of $-\vec{u} \nabla \cdot \vec{v}$ and $-\vec{v} \nabla \cdot \vec{v}$ must be added to the operators. (See Arakawa and Lamb, 1977 for details.)

Another way of adapting the above operator to divergent flow conditions is to transform the equations of motion into flux form. For example, in the case of the shallow-water equations,

$$\left\{
 \begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= -g \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \\
 \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} &= -g \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \\
 \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \nabla(h \vec{v}) &= 0 \quad \& \quad hu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + hv \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\
 h \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + hu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + hv \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial(hu)}{\partial t} - u \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(hv)}{\partial t} - v \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(hu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(hv)}{\partial y} + hu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + hv \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -g \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}
 \end{aligned}
 \right.$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \text{hux} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\text{huy}) = 0.$$

The horizontal advection terms (we assume the form (for $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \text{huv}$) $= -\nabla \cdot ((\bar{h}\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{u})$ and $\nabla \cdot ((\bar{h}\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{v})$)

If U and V are the components of $\bar{h}\vec{v}$, the momentum flux operators can then be written making use of (25)

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot ((\bar{h}\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{u}) &= \frac{2}{3} \left[S_x \left(\bar{U}^{xy} \bar{v}^x \right) + S_y \left(\bar{V}^{xy} \bar{u}^y \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{3} \left[S_{x'} \left(\frac{\bar{U}^{xy} + \bar{V}^{yy}}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{v}^{x'} \right) + S_{y'} \left(-\frac{\bar{U}^{xy} + \bar{V}^{yy}}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}^{y'} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot ((\bar{h}\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{v}) &= \frac{2}{3} \left[S_x \left(\bar{U}^{yy} \bar{v}^x \right) + S_y \left(\bar{V}^{yy} \bar{v}^y \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{3} \left[S_{x'} \left(\frac{\bar{U}^{xx} + \bar{V}^{xy}}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{v}^{x'} \right) + S_{y'} \left(-\frac{\bar{U}^{xx} + \bar{V}^{xy}}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{v}^{y'} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

5.5. Potential vorticity conservation in the momentum equations. (Sadourny, 1975)

So far, we have mostly dealt with advection operators which handle the conservation laws for the non-divergent part of the velocity field, which is often dominant in rotating fluids. There are situations such as flows over obstacles where the divergent velocity plays a significant role. Under such conditions, it may be important to incorporate conservation laws applicable to non-divergent flow in the FD operators. One of the most important is conservation of potential vorticity.

Let's consider the shallow water case

$$(26) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} + f \vec{k} \times \vec{v} = -g \nabla (h + h_s) \end{array} \right.$$

$$(27) \quad \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (h \vec{v}) = 0$$

The potential vorticity equation is derived by

$$\text{1) expressing } \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} = \nabla (\vec{v}^2/2) - \vec{v} \times \zeta \vec{k} \quad (\zeta = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y})$$

$$\text{2) apply } \nabla \times \text{ to (26)}$$

\rightarrow the vorticity equation

$$(28) \quad \boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\zeta + f) + \nabla \cdot ((\zeta + f) \vec{v}) = 0}$$

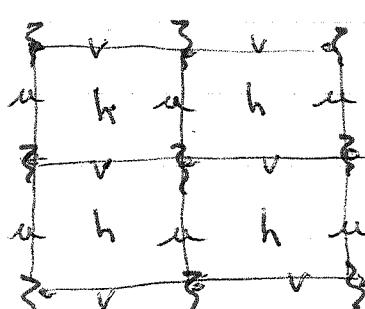
using (27) gives the potential vorticity eqn:

$$(29) \quad \boxed{\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \right) \left(\frac{\zeta + f}{h} \right) = 0}$$

(29) conserves the value integral of the potential vorticity $\int \left(\frac{\zeta + f}{h} \right) dx dy$ because of (28).

The vorticity equation is the flux form of the potential vorticity equation.

From the point of view of solving the continuity equation (27), the best grid is the "C" grid



$$\zeta = \text{vorticity} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

The continuity equation then assumes the simple form

$$(30) \quad \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \delta_x U + \delta_y V = 0$$

with $U = \bar{h}^x u$ $V = \bar{h}^y v$

Verticality ζ and potential vorticity q are carried over at the verticality points

$$(31) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \zeta = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \delta_x v - \delta_y u \\ q = \frac{\delta_x v - \delta_y u + f}{\bar{h}^{xy}} \end{array} \right.$$

The purpose now is to formulate FD expressions for the momentum advection terms compatible with (29)

With this in mind, we start from (30) and multiply by q , after overaging (30) with \bar{h}^{xy} to bring the parts on q together

$$q \frac{\partial \bar{h}^{xy}}{\partial t} + q \left(\overline{\delta_x U}^{xy} + \overline{\delta_y V}^{xy} \right) = 0$$

$$= \frac{\partial (\bar{h}^y q)}{\partial t} + \delta_x (\bar{q}^x \bar{U}^{xy}) + \delta_y (\bar{q}^y \bar{V}^{xy}) - \bar{h}^{xy} \frac{\partial q}{\partial t} - \bar{U}^{xy} \delta_x q^x - \bar{V}^{xy} \delta_y q^y = 0$$

which can be rewritten as

$$(32) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial (\bar{h}^y q)}{\partial t} + \delta_x (\bar{q}^x \bar{U}^{xy}) + \delta_y (\bar{q}^y \bar{V}^{xy}) \\ &= \bar{h}^{xy} \left(\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\bar{h}^{xy}} \left(\bar{U}^{xy} \delta_x q^x + \bar{V}^{xy} \delta_y q^y \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

This identity is an FD expression of

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (q h) + \nabla \cdot (q h \vec{v}) = h \frac{dq}{dt}$$

If we choose the RHS of (32) as being the FD expression for the potential vorticity eqn (29), the LHS is an FD analog to the vorticity eqn (28)

Carrying the steps backwards

$$\underbrace{-\vec{v} \times (\zeta + f)}_{\text{from (28) and (32)}} \hat{k} = \begin{pmatrix} -v(\zeta + f) \\ \\ +u(\zeta + f) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{FD form} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -\bar{v}^{xy} \bar{q}^y \\ \\ \bar{v}^{xy} \bar{q}^x \end{pmatrix}$$

Combined with a suitable form of $\nabla \frac{\vec{v}^2}{2}$, we should arrive to the desired potential vorticity conserving operator for the advection ad forces term $\vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} + f \hat{k} \times \vec{v}$

$$\text{We have 2 choices} \quad \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \delta_x ((\bar{v}^x)^2 + (\bar{v}^y)^2) \\ \frac{1}{2} \delta_y ((\bar{v}^x)^2 + (\bar{v}^y)^2) \end{cases}$$

or

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \delta_x (\bar{v}^x + \bar{v}^y) \\ \frac{1}{2} \delta_y (\bar{v}^x + \bar{v}^y) \end{cases}$$

Both satisfy the requirement that they drop out upon cross differentiation. Choice (2) however leads to a straight forward FD analog of the kinetic energy and is therefore preferred

This leads to the following potential vorticity conserving momentum advection and Coriolis force operators

$$(33) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{v} \cdot \nabla u - fv = \frac{1}{2} \delta_x (\bar{v}^x + \bar{v}^y) - \bar{v}^y \bar{q}^y \\ \vec{v} \cdot \nabla v + fu = \frac{1}{2} \delta_y (\bar{v}^x + \bar{v}^y) + \bar{v}^x \bar{q}^x \end{array} \right.$$

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$$\left. \left(- \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2} (\xi, \psi) = \delta_x (\bar{u}^{xy} \bar{\zeta}^x) + \delta_y (\bar{v}^{xy} \bar{\zeta}^y) \right) \right).$$

(The cross-diffusion makes the energy term to disappear.)

Since $(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)/2$ conserves $\bar{\zeta}^2/2$, we may expect (33) to conserve $q^2/2$, potential enstrophy

Indeed if we multiply (32) by q^2 , we obtain

$$(34) \quad q^2 \frac{\partial \bar{h}^{xy}}{\partial r} + \bar{h}^{xy} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\frac{q^2}{2} \right) + \delta_x \left(\bar{v}^{xy} \frac{\bar{q}^2}{2} \right) + \delta_y \left(\bar{v}^{xy} \frac{\bar{q}^2}{2} \right) + \frac{q^2}{2} \left(\frac{\delta_x u + \delta_y v}{\delta_x u + \delta_y v} \right)^{xy} = 0$$

Using the continuity eqn. (28), the last term can be canceled with the $\frac{\partial}{\partial r}$ term to give

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\bar{h}^{xy} \frac{q^2}{2} \right)$$

\rightarrow that the FD (34) is an FD analog to

$$(35) \quad \boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(h \frac{q^2}{2} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(h \vec{v} \frac{q^2}{2} \right) = 0}$$

Conservation of potential enstrophy

Parallels to other Geobikes can be made, but generalization to an Arakawa Geobike is not straight forward, primarily because kinetic energy consideration cannot be based on arguments involving the streamfunction ψ .

Arakawa and Lamb (1981) did derive a scheme which conserves both energy and potential enstrophy. The derivation is very complex and leads to the following operators.

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \delta_x (\bar{u}^x + \bar{v}^y) - \overline{\bar{v}^y \bar{q}^{xy}}^x - \frac{1}{48} \delta'_x ((\delta'_y v) \delta'_x \delta'_y q) \\ & + \frac{1}{12} \delta'_x (\bar{v}^x \delta'_y \bar{q}^y) + \frac{1}{12} \left(\overline{\delta'_x u \delta'_y \bar{q}^x}^y \right) \\ & \frac{1}{2} \delta_y (\bar{u}^x + \bar{v}^y) + \overline{\bar{u}^x \bar{q}^{xy}}^y + \frac{1}{48} \delta'_y ((\delta'_x u) \delta'_y \delta'_x q) \\ & - \frac{1}{12} \delta'_y (\bar{v}^y \delta_x \bar{q}^x) - \frac{1}{12} \left(\overline{\delta'_y v \delta'_x \bar{q}^y}^x \right) \end{aligned} \right.$$

where δ' is the differential operator without division by grid distance