

# h-NUMO

A multi-layer shallow water equation model  
with high-order Discontinuous Galerkin method



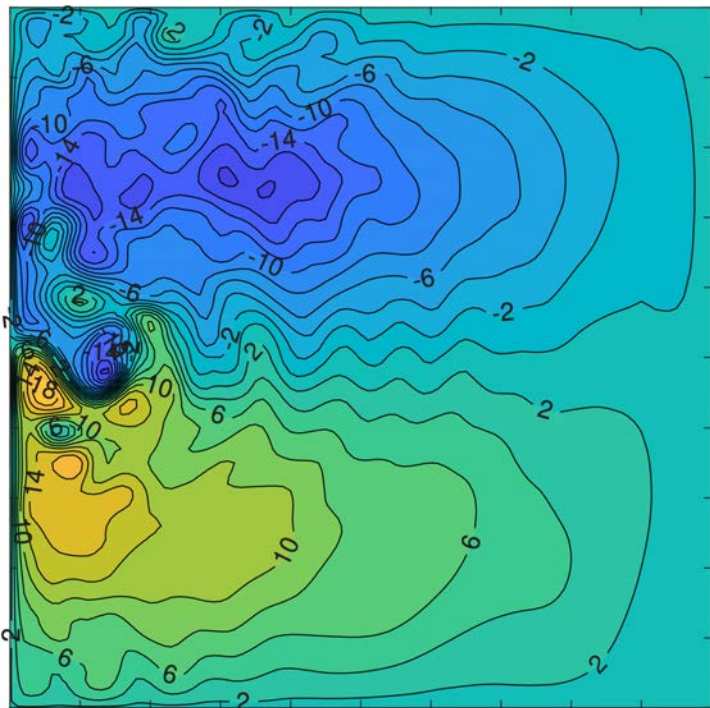
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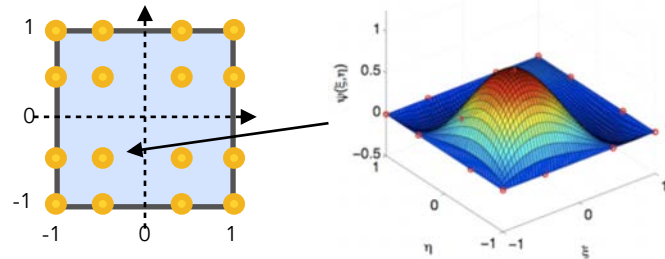
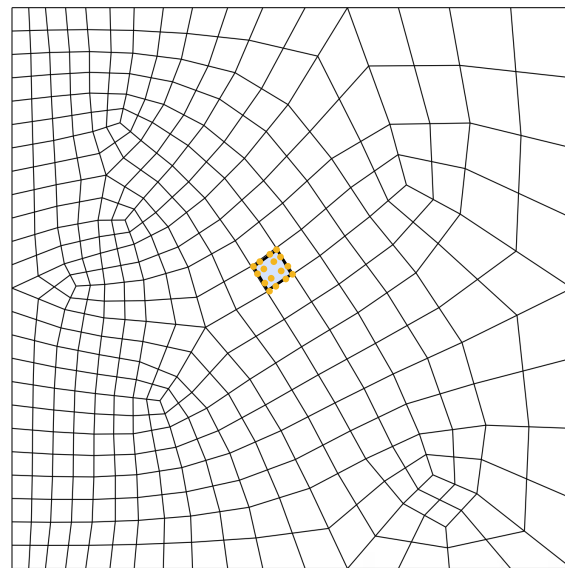
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- ▶ Robert Higdon, Oregon State



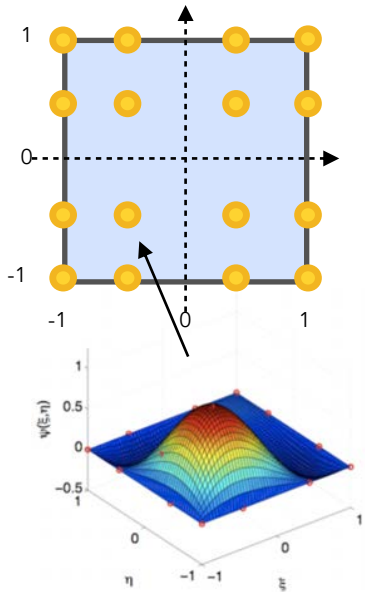
# h-NUMO model

- ▶ Part of the NUMA family (F. Giraldo, NPS)
- ▶ Multi-layer shallow-water equations
- ▶ **Discontinuous Galerkin (DG) method**
- ▶ Quadrilateral unstructured mesh
- ▶ Arbitrarily high-order solution approximation
- ▶ Barotropic-baroclinic splitting (Higdon, 2015)



# Element-based DG methods

● Nodal points (LGL)



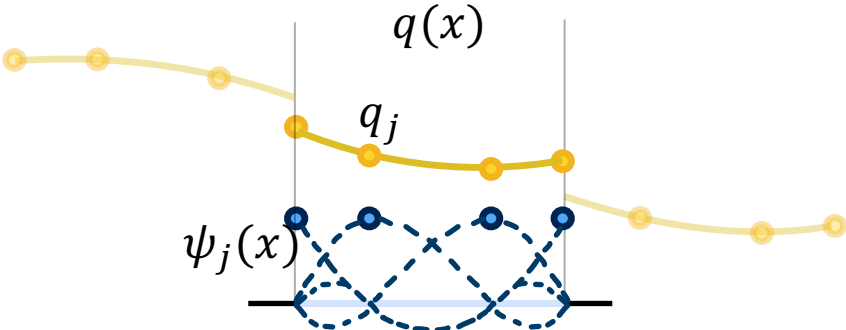
$\psi_j(\mathbf{x})$  basis functions - Lagrange polynomials

Expand the solution in basis  $\psi_j(\mathbf{x})$

$$\mathbf{q}(\mathbf{x}, t) \approx \sum_{j=1}^{N_p} \mathbf{q}_j(t) \psi_j(\mathbf{x})$$

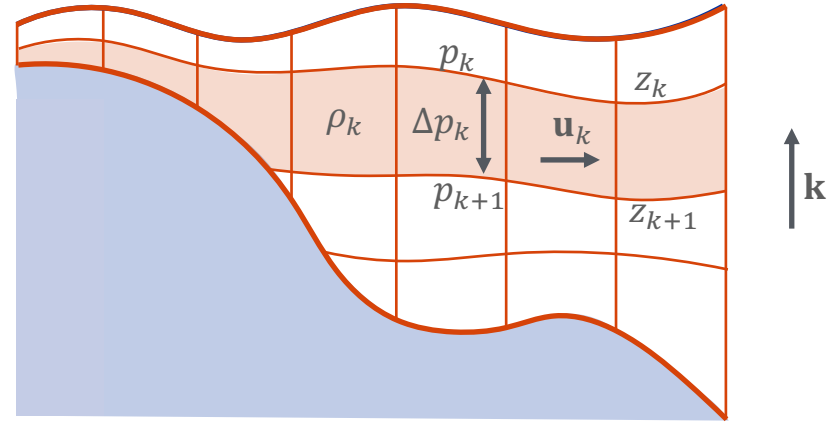
Conservative equation  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{q}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q}) = S(\mathbf{q})$  becomes

$$\int_{\Omega_e} \psi_i \frac{\partial \mathbf{q}}{\partial t} d\Omega_e + \int_{\Gamma_e} \psi_i \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q}) d\Gamma_e - \int_{\Omega_e} \nabla \psi_i \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q}) d\Omega_e = \int_{\Omega_e} \psi_i S(\mathbf{q}) d\Omega_e$$



# Multi-layer SWE

- ▶ Density constant within the layer
- ▶ Layer velocity constant vertically



$$\frac{\partial \Delta p_k}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\Delta p_k \mathbf{u}_k) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial (\Delta p_k \mathbf{u}_k)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\Delta p_k \mathbf{u}_k \otimes \mathbf{u}_k) = -\nabla H_k + g(p_k \nabla z_k - p_{k+1} \nabla z_{k+1}) - f \mathbf{k} \times (\Delta p_k \mathbf{u}_k)$$

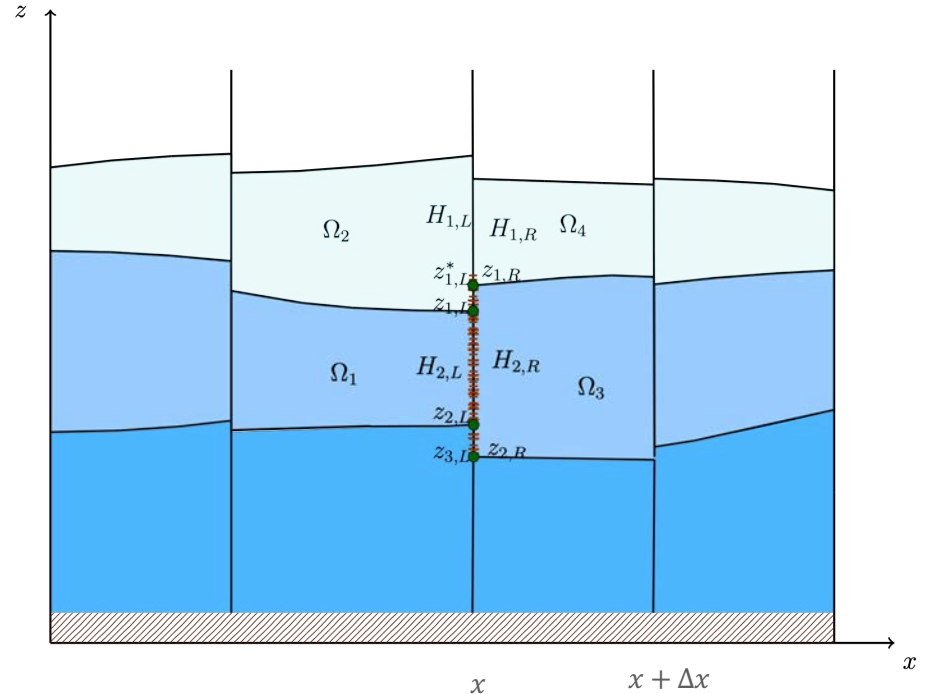
$$H_k = g \int_{z_k}^{z_{k+1}} p dz$$

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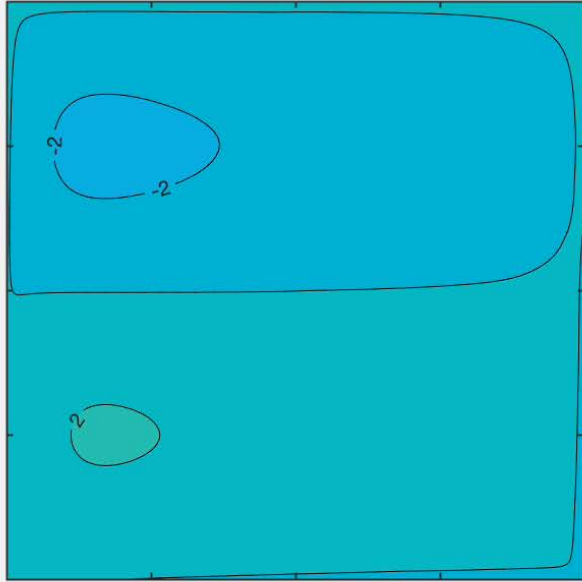
### We changed

- ▶ Nodal DG implementation
- ▶ 2 horizontal directions
- ▶ RK35 time integration of barotropic equations

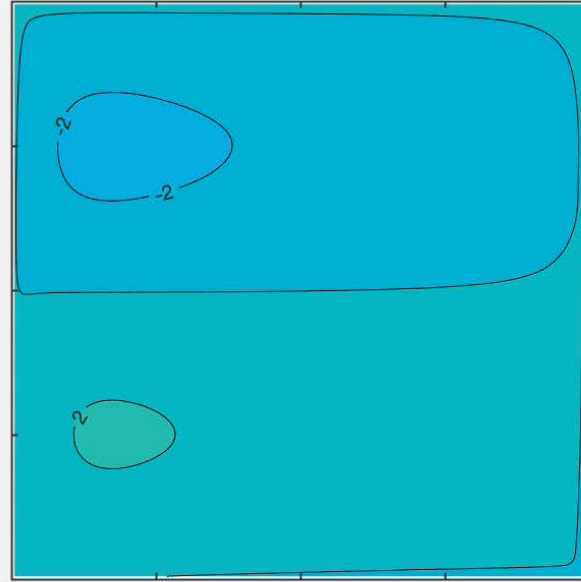
# Double gyre

SSH:  $\nu = 50 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ , day = 10

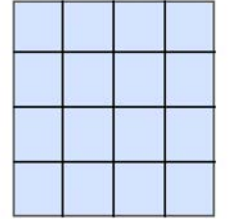
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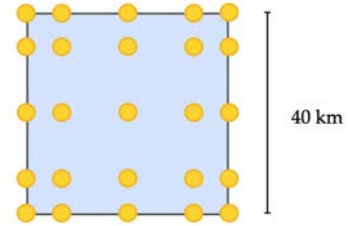
HYCOM



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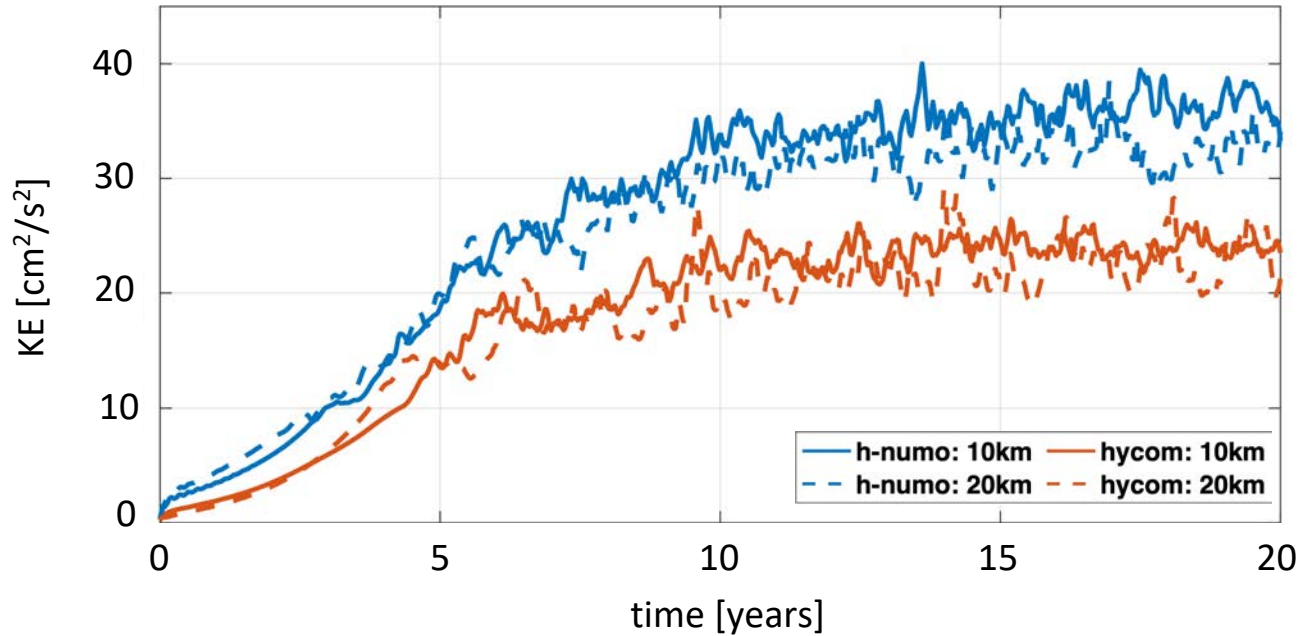
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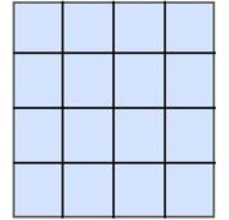


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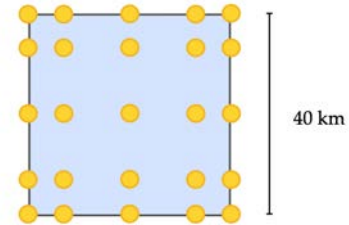
Integrated kinetic energy  
weighted by pressure thickness



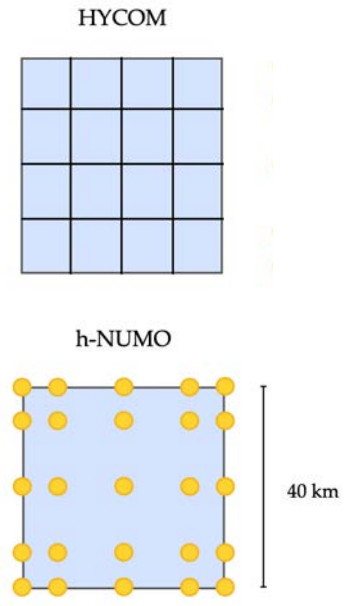
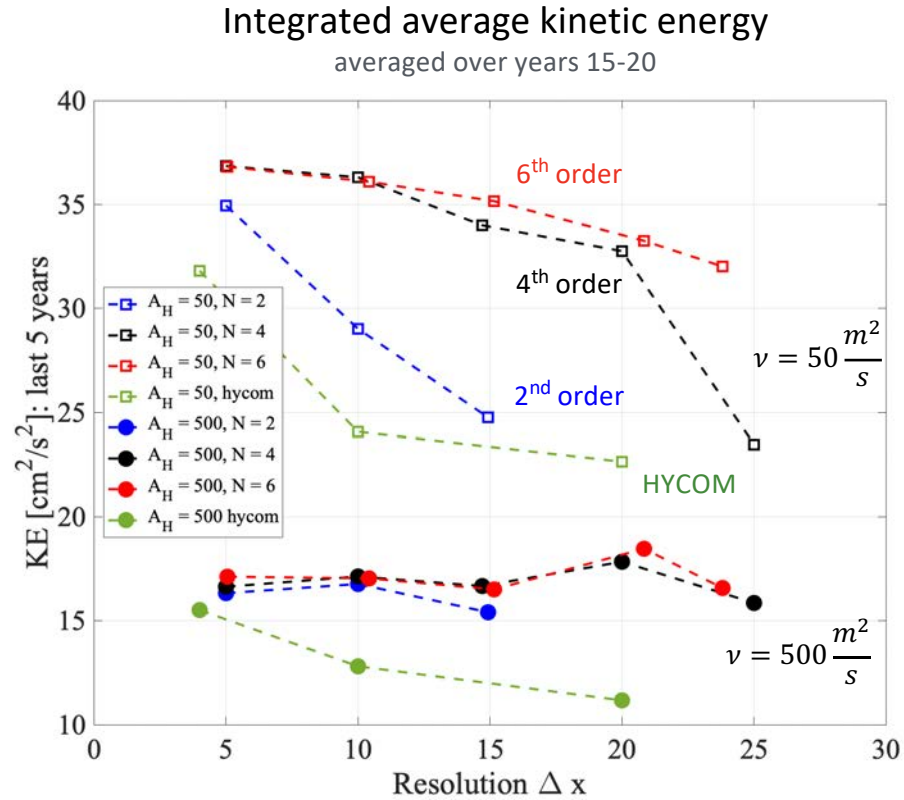
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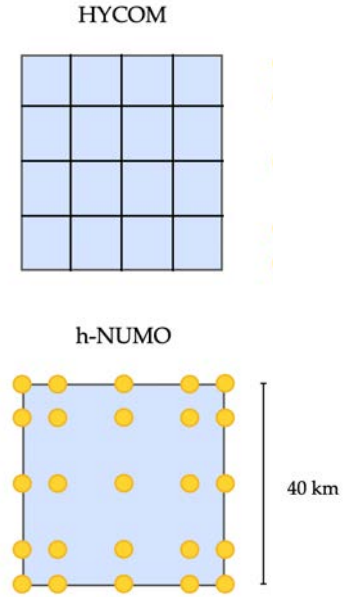
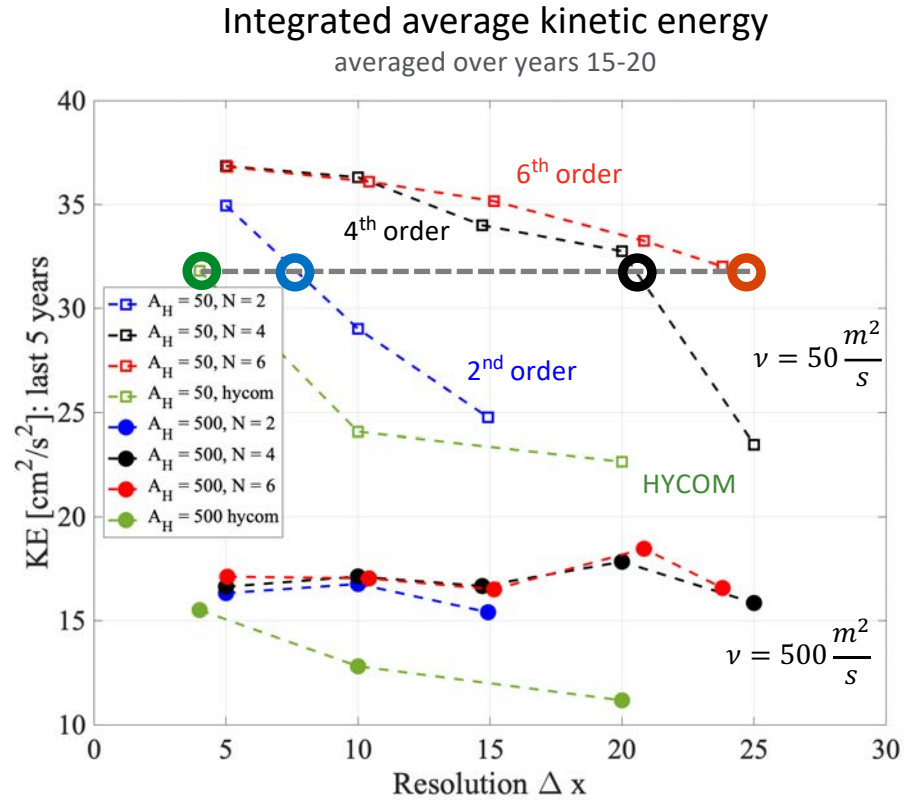
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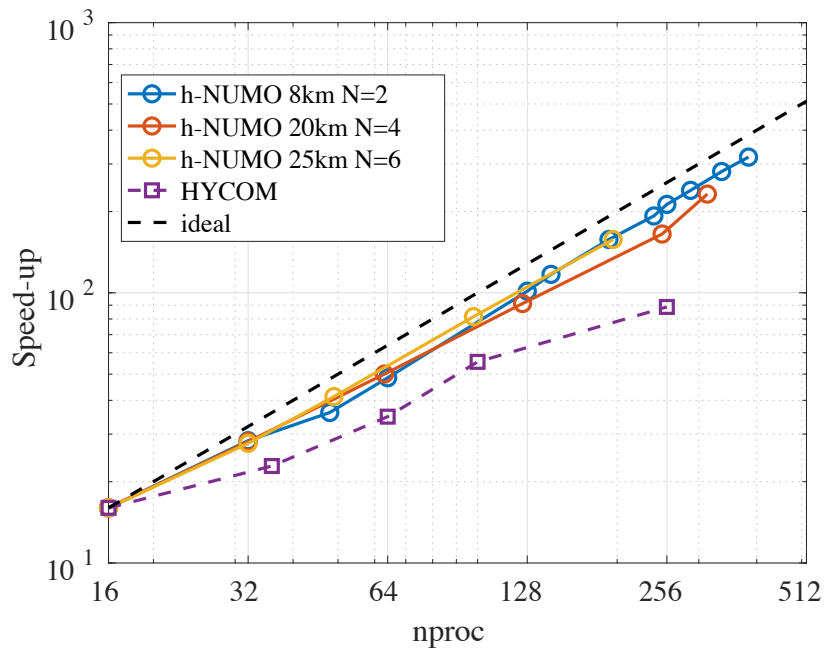
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# Parallel performance

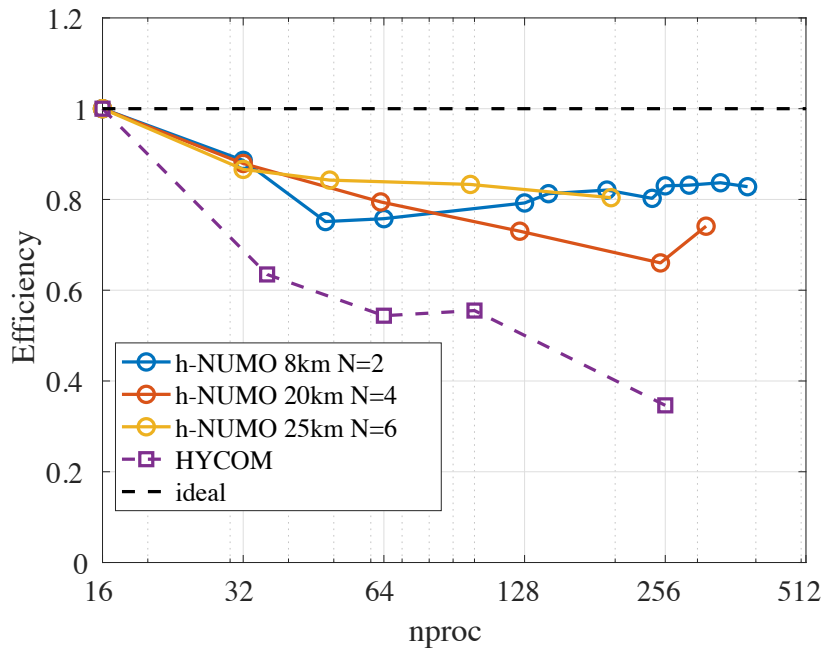
## Speed-up

as a function of number of MPI ranks



## Parallel efficiency

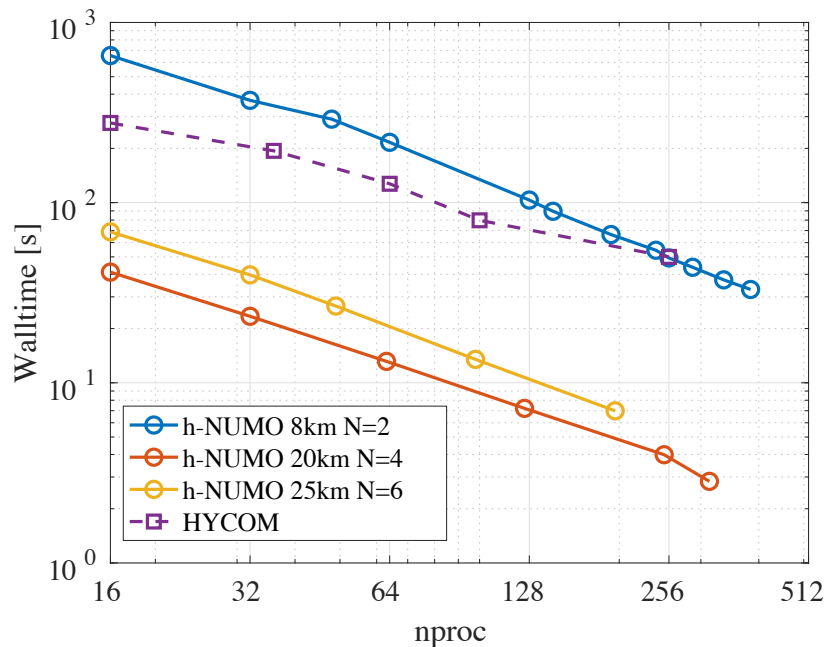
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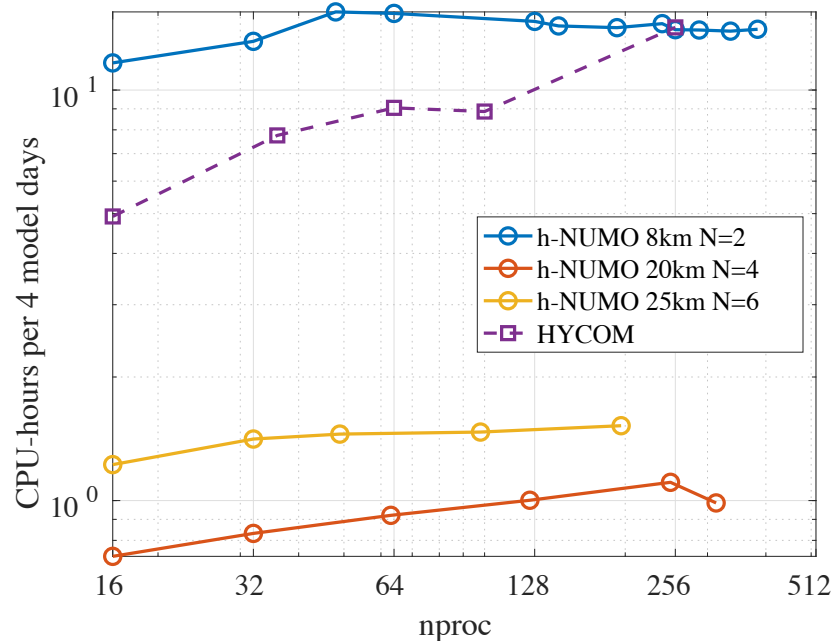
## Time to solution

as a function of number of MPI ranks



## CPU-hours

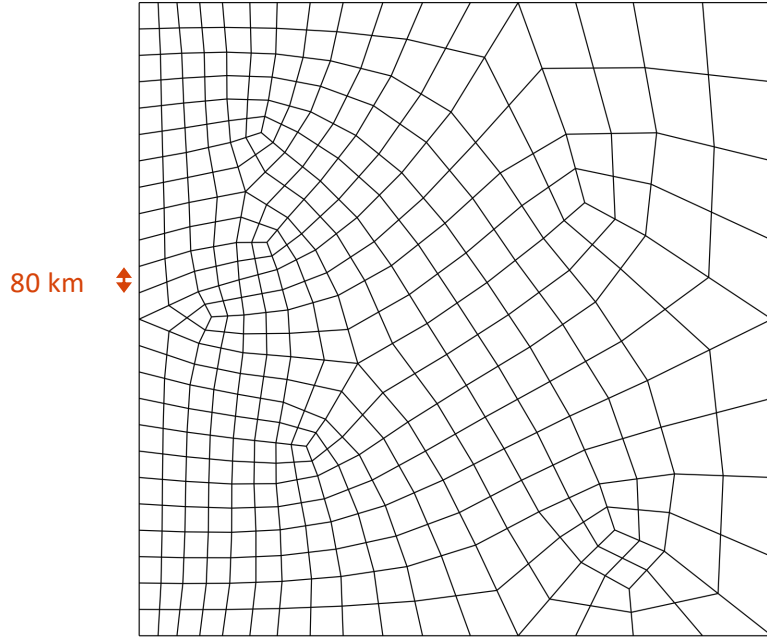
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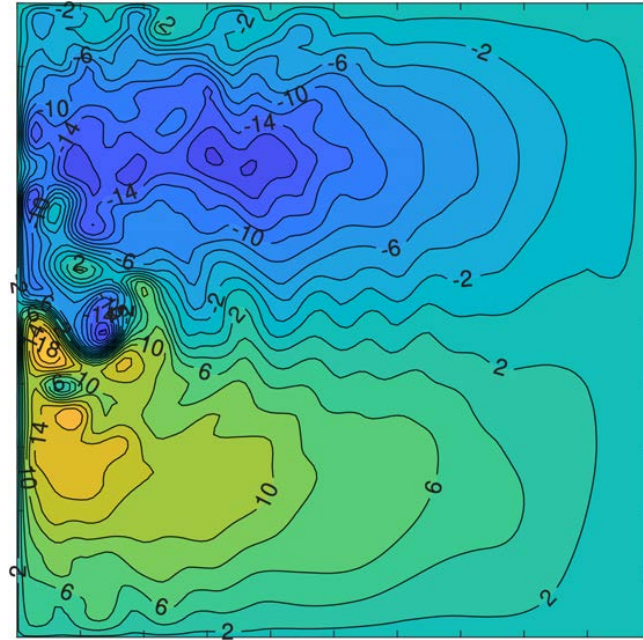
## Unstructured grid

elements shown without nodal points

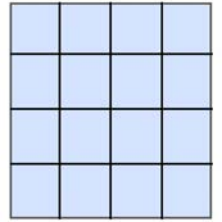


## Sea surface height

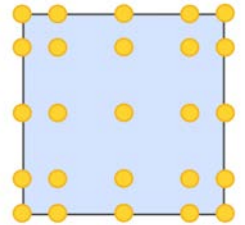
at 20 years simulation time



HYCOM

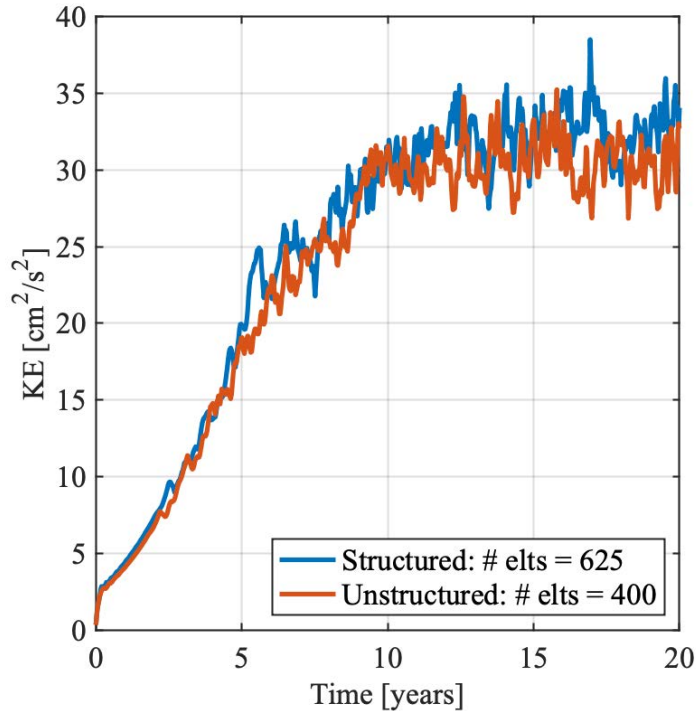


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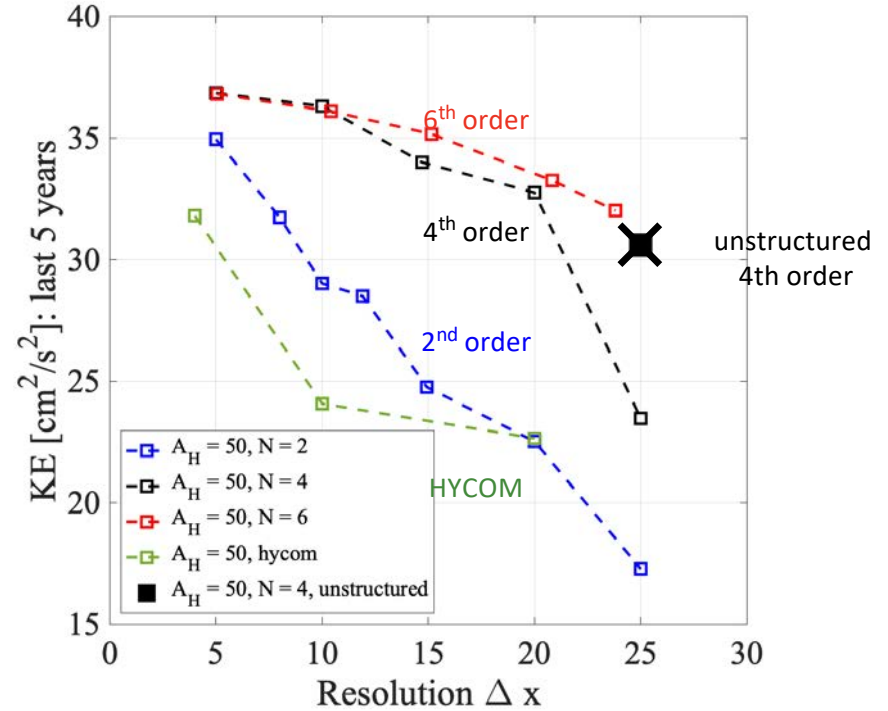


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Kinetic energy  
as a function of time

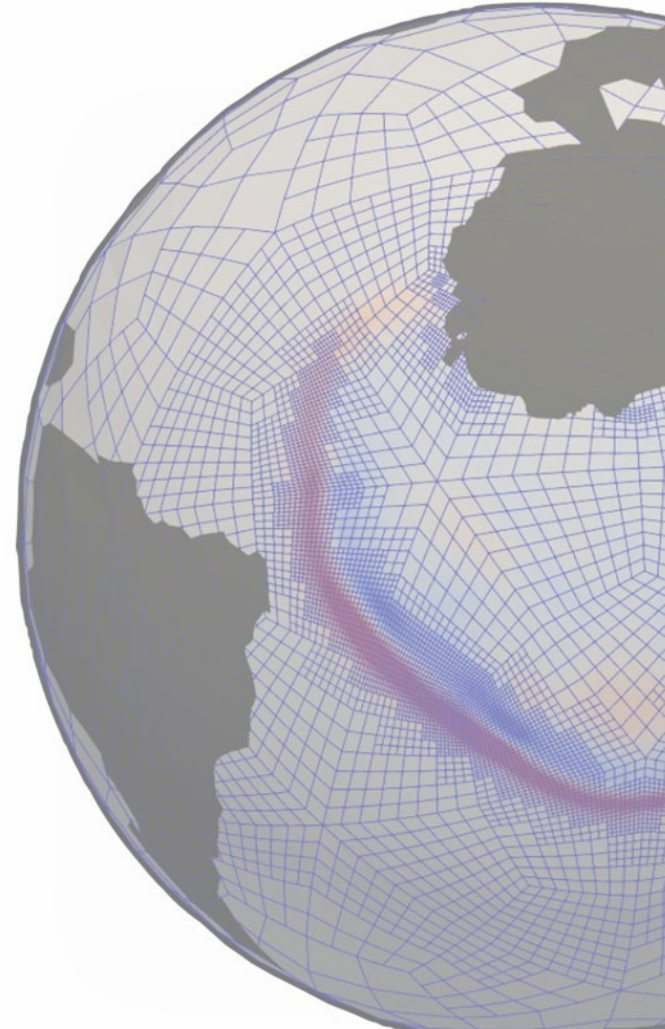


Average kinetic energy  
as a function of resolution



# Conclusions

- **h-NUMO delivers the same result as HYCOM**
  - ▶ with smaller „resolution”, i.e. fewer DOFs
  - ▶ faster and with fewer CPU-hours (high-order)
  - ▶ with better parallel efficiency
- **Unstructured mesh helps, AMR possible**
- **Need to demonstrate efficiency on global mesh with coastlines**

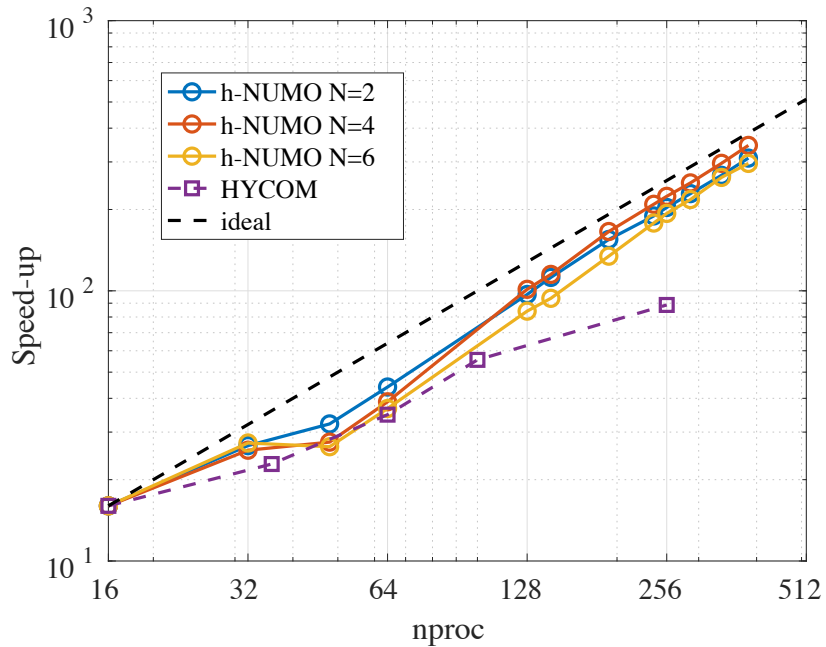




# Parallel performance – 4 km resolution

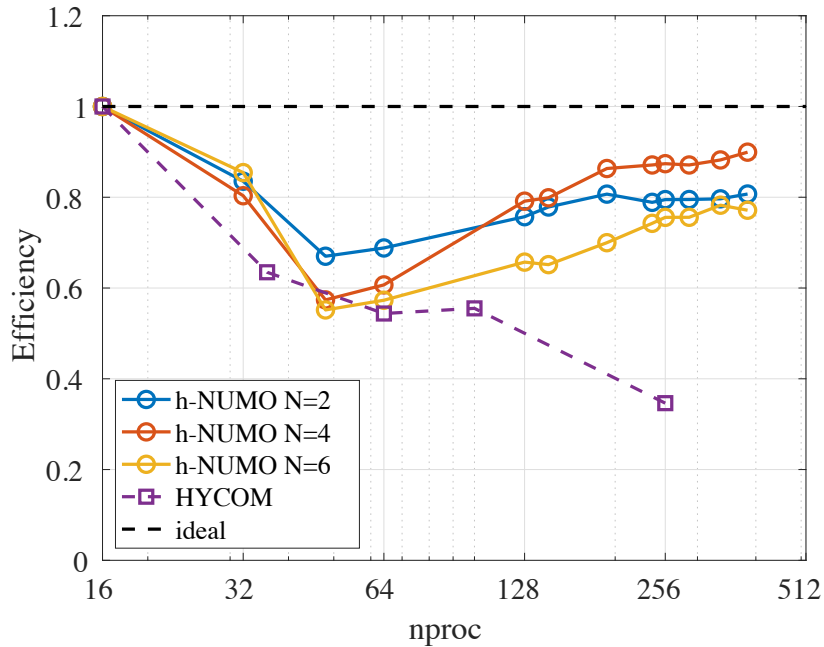
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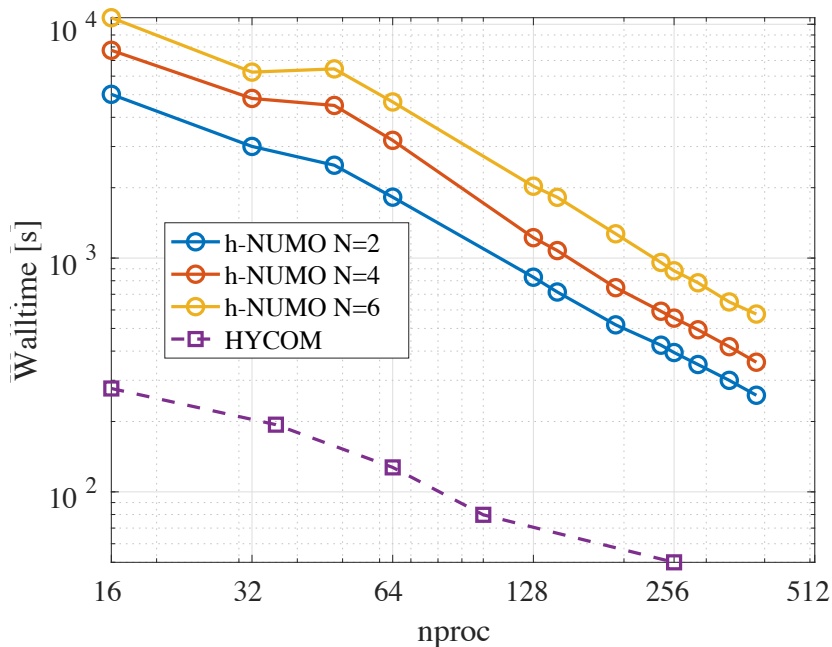
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as a function of number of MPI ranks



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