

MITgcm/ECCO Gulf of Guinea Simulation

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Introduction

Underlining principles for driving an Ocean Model.

- ★ Grid.
- ★ Bathymetry.
- ★ Initial conditions (initial temperature and salinity).
- ★ Boundary conditions (atmospheric surface conditions and lateral conditions.)

Massachusetts Institute of Technology general circulation model (MITgcm)

The MITgcm is a numerical model designed to study and analyze the behaviours of ocean, climate and atmosphere. The following steps are involved in installing and running the MITgcm:

- ★ Before running MITgcm, you need a Linux or Unix -based operating system (OS).
- ★ Linux OS has a compiler called gfortran for compiling codes.
- ★ Download MITgcm from the link <https://mitgcm.org>.

Figure 1: Virtual Box Interface

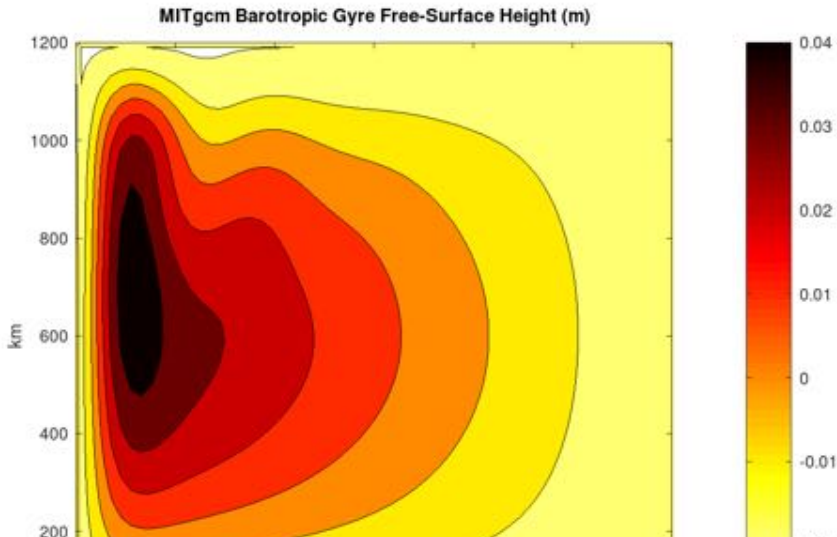


Figure 2: MITgcm



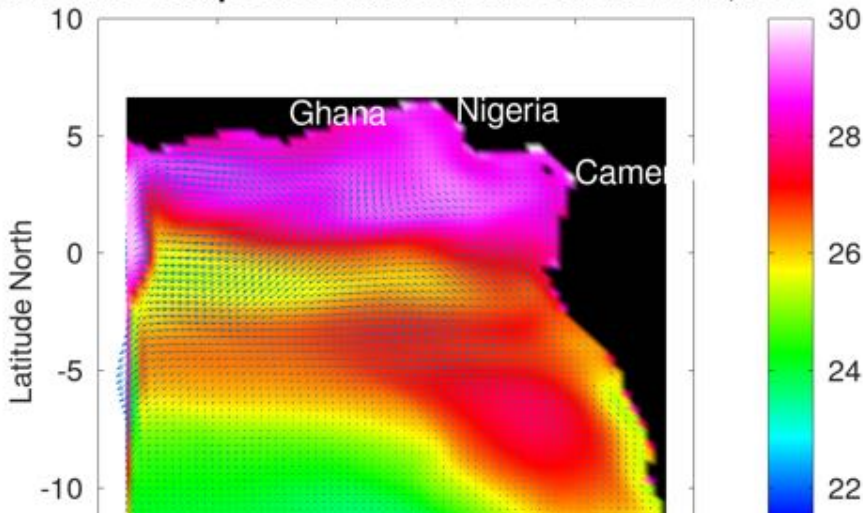
Figure 3: MITgcm tutorial

Running the MITgcm Model on a test example..



Running the Gulf of Guinea using MITgcm Model.

Sea surface temperature and currents on 5th of Jan, 1992



Limitations.

- ★ You need a good programming background.
- ★ In Octave and Python.
- ★ You need a computer with good processing speed.

Conclusion

- ★ We looked at the steps involved in running the MITgcm model.
- ★ We worked on a barotropic gyre test example.
- ★ Finally, we carried out a numerical simulation on the Gulf of Guinea coast.

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