Assessing the ecological state of the ocean by integration of models and observations using data assimilation in MIKE 21/3 FM biogeochemical models

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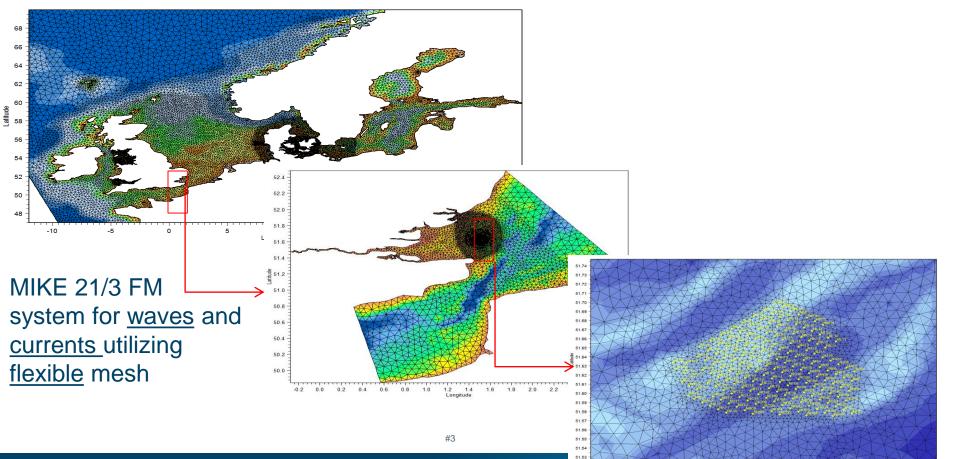


#### Agenda

- Introducing Mike 21/3 FM
- Data Assimilation applications
- Recent developments
- Data Assimilation in Biogeochemical models
- Future work



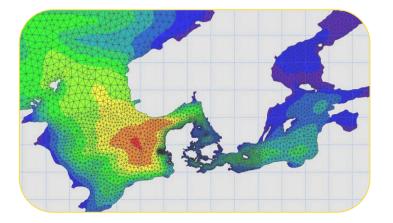
## Flexible meshes: downscaling from regional to local wave and current models



#### Data assimilation in MIKE 21/3

Development started in 1999 in MIKE 21/3 classic, later in MIKE 21/3 FM

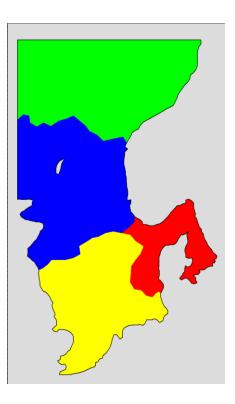
- Sequential DA with Ensemble Kalman filter (EnKF)
- Mostly assimilation of tide gauge station data
- Examples of operational DA models
  - Great Lakes Forecast
  - Caspian Sea Forecast
  - Adriatic Sea (Venice) Forecast





#### Recent developments in FM DA Module

- Implementation of ETKF and DEnKF
- Localization by Local Analysis
- Reading and processing track data observations (point clouds)
- Correlated observation errors
- Domain decomposed parallelization (MPI)

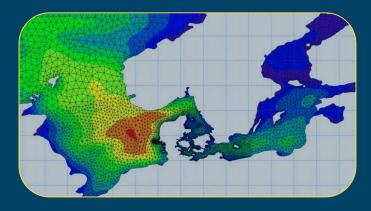




### DA in biogeochemical models



### Why data assimilation? Numerical Models



- Full spatial and temporal description
- Process descriptions
- Correlation between variables
- Lower pointwise accuracy

# Measurement data ason-Geosa

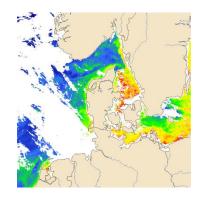
- High pointwise accuracy
- Limited spatial and/or temporal extent

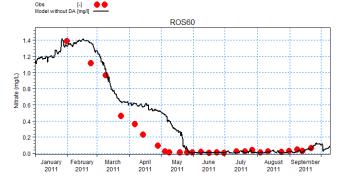


#### Applications of biogeochemical DA

Algal bloom forecasting

• Water quality reanalysis

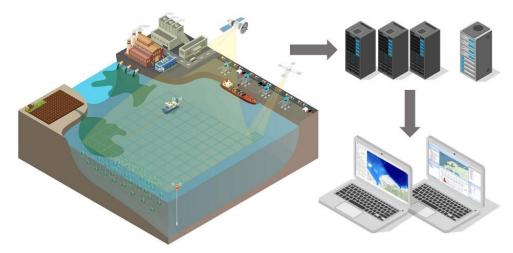






#### SeaStatus (2017-2020)

The aim of SeaStatus is to develop a range of decision support tools for intelligent marine ecosystem management allowing for optimal use of marine resources at minimum impact. This is achieved by combining novel and traditional measurement techniques and data processing algorithms with models allowing for a continuous updating of the environmental status and improving the information basis for management.



#### Tools:

- Algorithms for integration of observations
- Stochastic model library
- Linkage between stochastic and mechanistic models
- Ecosystem models and data assimilation

#### Products:

- Baseline/status data layers and associated uncertainties
- High-quality historical model based data sets and associated uncertainties
- Continuous updating of environmental status

#### Services:

- Methodology for introducing uncertainty
- Recommendations on methods for specific
- use-cases
- EIA aligned with new directive
- Intelligent ecosystem management



#### DA in Mike 21/3 FM ECOLAB - Goal

Create a flexible Data Assimilation framework accessible to ecological modelers with a basic understanding of DA.



#### Why is the model wrong?

- Missing ecological processes
- Ecological model parameters (e.g. growth rate)
- Initial conditions
- Boundary conditions
- Sources
  - Riverine
  - Atmospheric deposition
- Other forcings, e.g. wave height
- Hydrodynamics (Advection/Dispersion)



#### Biogeochemistry DA in Mike 21/3 FM

Transport	Ecolab
Advection/Dispersion	Advection/Dispersion
First order decay	Flexible process model
No interactions between state variables	Interactions, vertical transport, benthic variables, air-sea exchange
Simple	Complex
Fast	Not so fast

- 1. Biogeochemical model decoupled from hydrodynamics
- 2. Joint assimilation of hydrodynamics and biogeochemistry

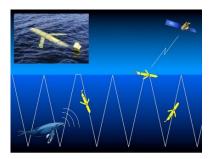


#### **Observation types**

- Fixed locations
  - Buoy
  - Standard ship-based station
- Point clouds
  - Ferrybox
  - Glider
  - Sail-drone
- Raster
  - Satellite images











# Examples



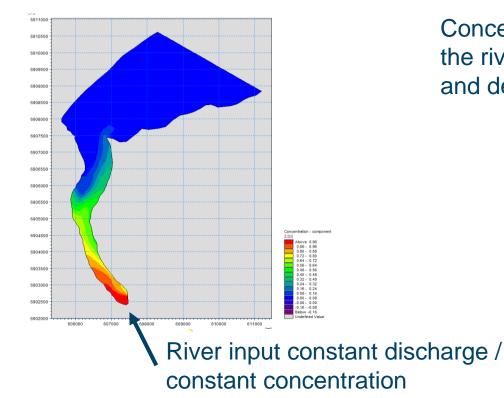
#### Test cases

- Transport module
  - Funnings fjord,Faroe islands
- Ecolab
  - Roskilde fjord





#### TR module - Funnings fjord



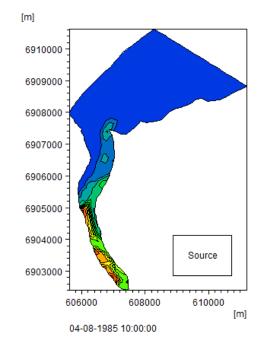
Concentration decreases from the river to the sea by mixing and decay

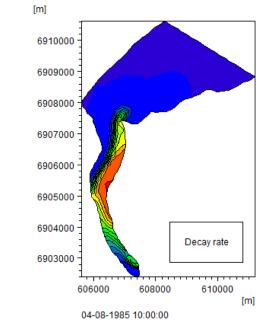


#### Effect of uncertainty formulation

There are many ways to perturb the model.

This will determine the actual model uncertainty and correlations both spatially and between variables

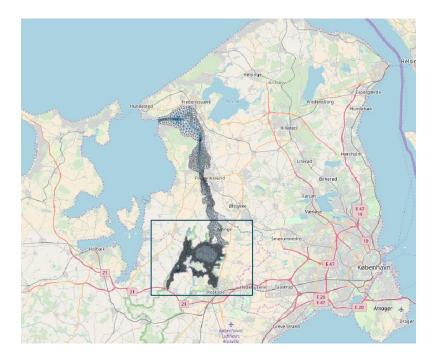


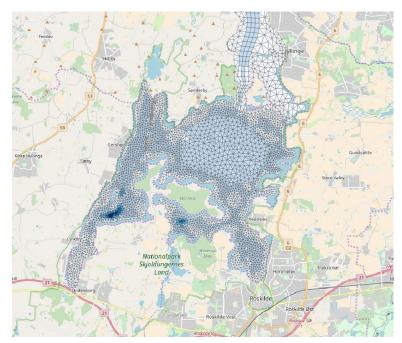


#### Standard deviation



#### Roskilde fjord







#### Roskilde fjord - hydrodynamics

Salinity [PSU]

Above 20

19 - 20

18 - 19

17 - 18

16 - 17

15 - 16

14 - 15

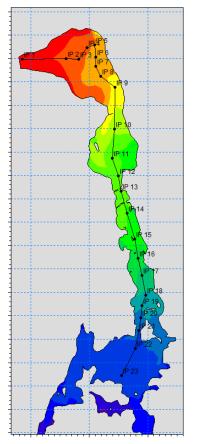
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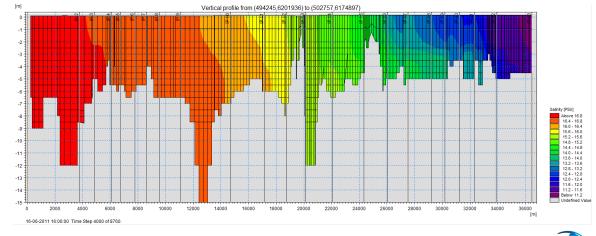
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Undefined Value



- Shallow estuary (avg. depth 3m)
- Tidal amplitude 0.2m
- Horizontal salinity gradient (8-20 psu)
- Well-mixed most of the time



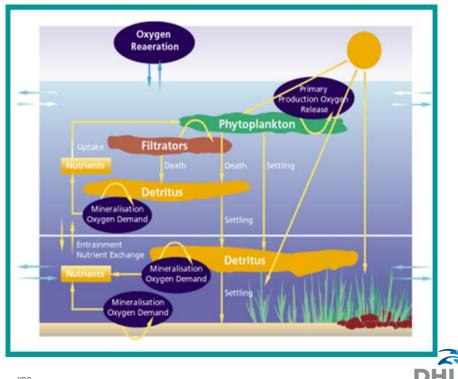


#### Roskilde fjord – ecosystem model

Variable element ratios (C,N,P) Benthic-pelagic coupling Resuspension

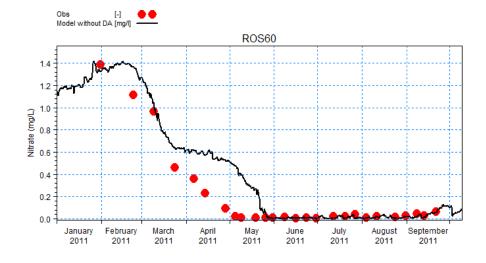
22 pelagic state variables30 benthic state variables

275 process parameters



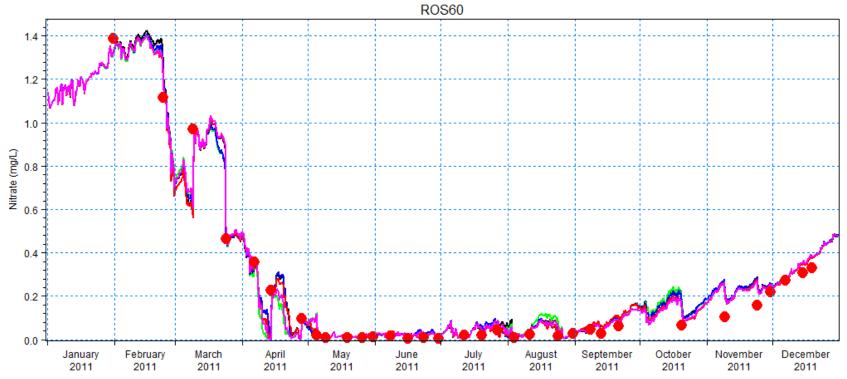
#### Proof of concept test case

- 5 selected parameters (e.g. max growth rate)
- 10 % error
- 5d temporal correlation
- Nitrate observations



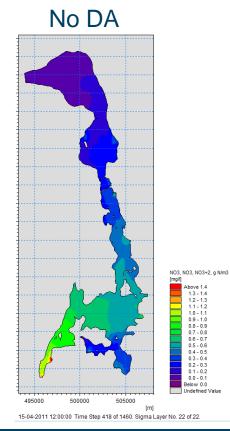


#### Results

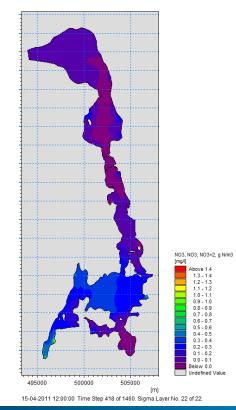




#### Results



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#### Further work

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- Rigorous testing of all features
- Include benthic variables in state
- Spatially variable parameters
- Enforce constraints (e.g. positive concentrations)

• Develop a calibrated DA setup for Roskilde Fjord



### Thank you

