

# TUTORIAL 02:

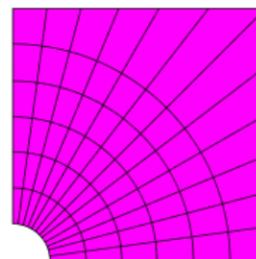
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# Numerical Aspects: Horizontal discretization

## ➤ Structured grids

The grid cells have the same number of sides.

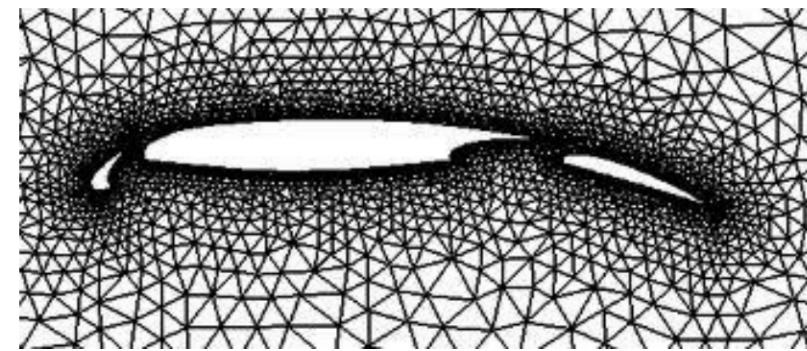


CROCO

## ➤ Unstructured grids

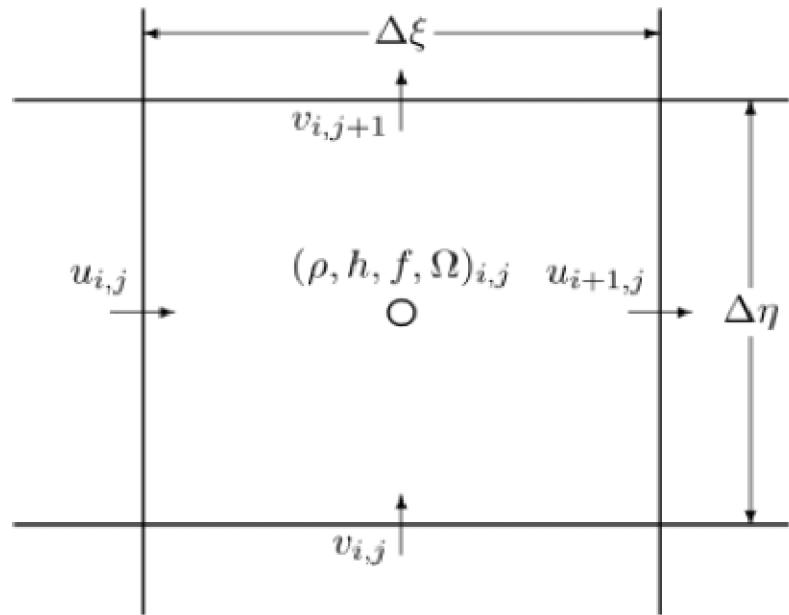
The domain is tiled using more general geometrical shapes (triangles, ...) pieced together to optimally fit details of the geometry.

- ✓ Good for tidal modeling,  
engineering applications.
- ✓ Problems:  
geostrophic balance accuracy,  
wave scattering by non-uniform grids, conservation  
and positivity properties, ...



# Numerical Aspects: Horizontal discretization

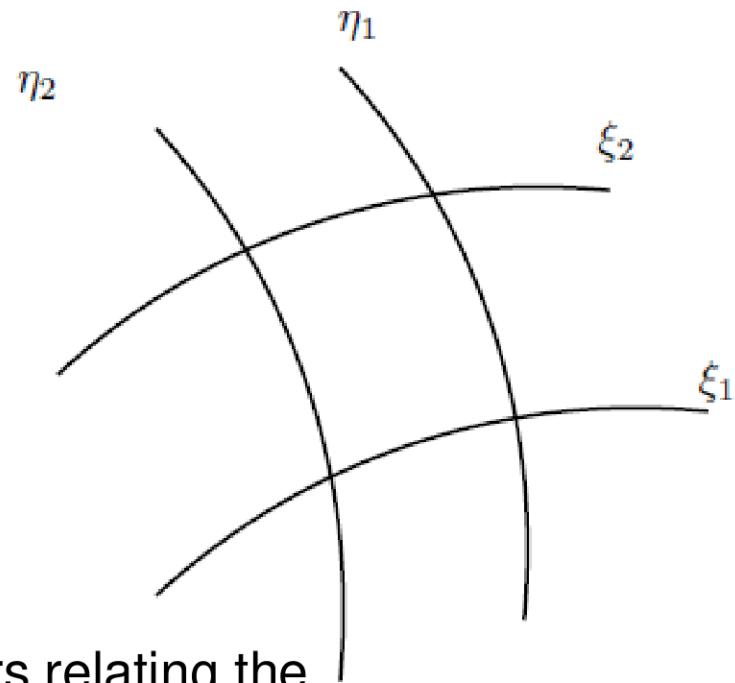
CROCO grid is discretized in **coastline- and terrain-following curvilinear coordinates with free-surface**, on an **Arakawa-C grid**.



(a) Grille C d'Arakawa

$$(ds)_\xi = \left( \frac{1}{m} \right) d\xi$$

$$(ds)_\eta = \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) d\eta$$

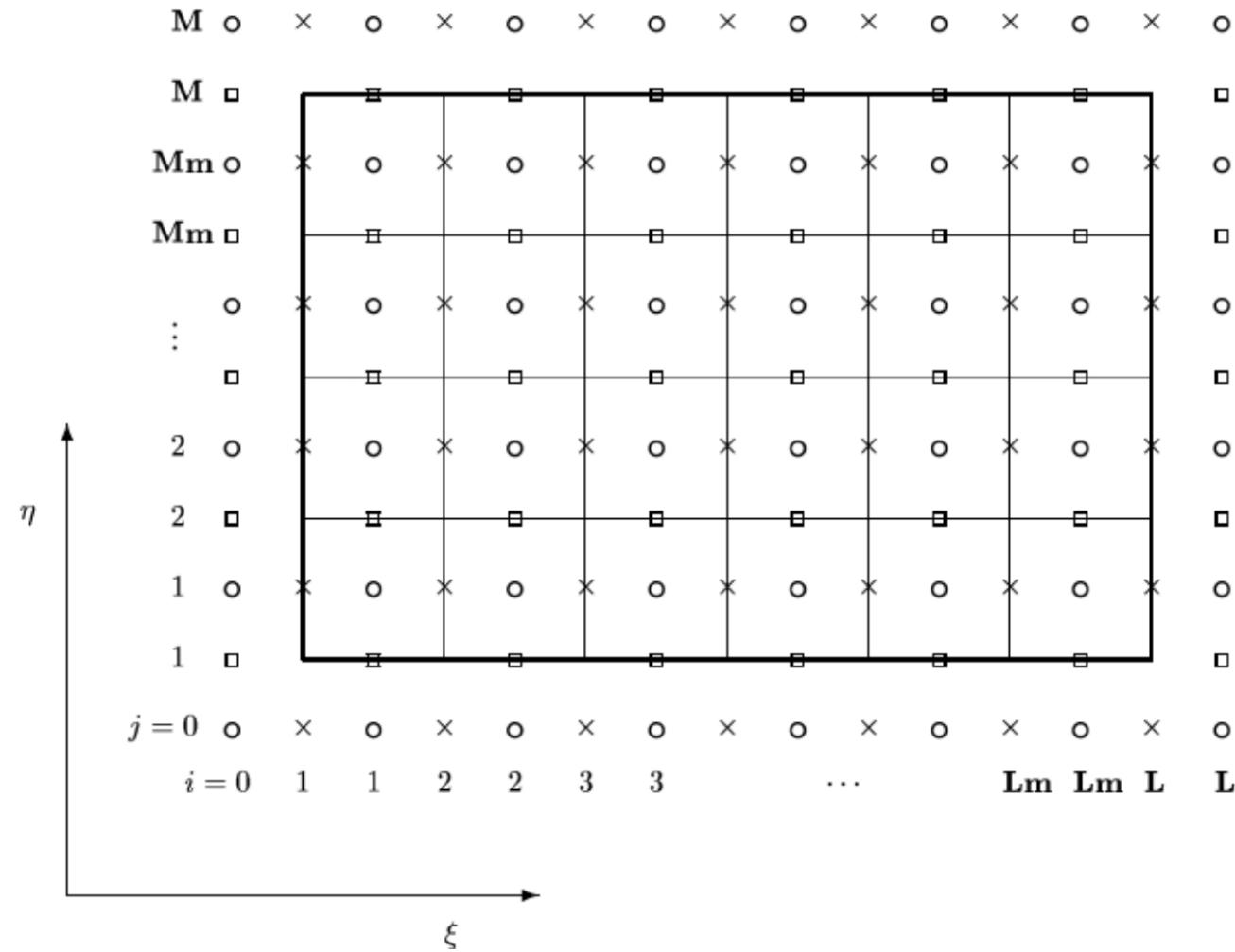


↳ m, n: scale factors relating the differential distances to the physical arc lengths

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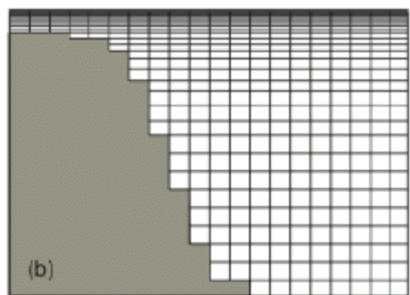
## CROCO horizontal grid

$\times$  –  $u$  points  
 $\square$  –  $v$  points  
 $\circ$  –  $\rho$  points



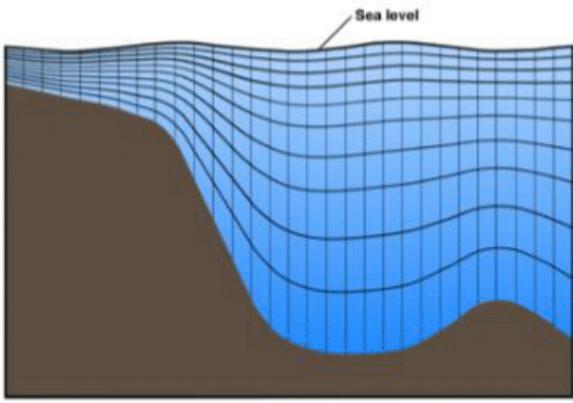
# Numerical Aspects: Vertical discretization

## ➤ Z-Coordinates



## ➤ Sigma (and stretched) Coordinates

Terrain-following curvilinear coordinates with free-surface



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free surface

Vertical sigma  
coord.

$$z(x, y, \sigma, t) = \eta(1 + \sigma) + h_c \cdot \sigma + (h - h_c) \cdot C(\sigma)$$

Parameters (thickness) controlling the stretching

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Water column  
thikness

Stretching function  
 $C=f(\theta_s, \theta_b)$

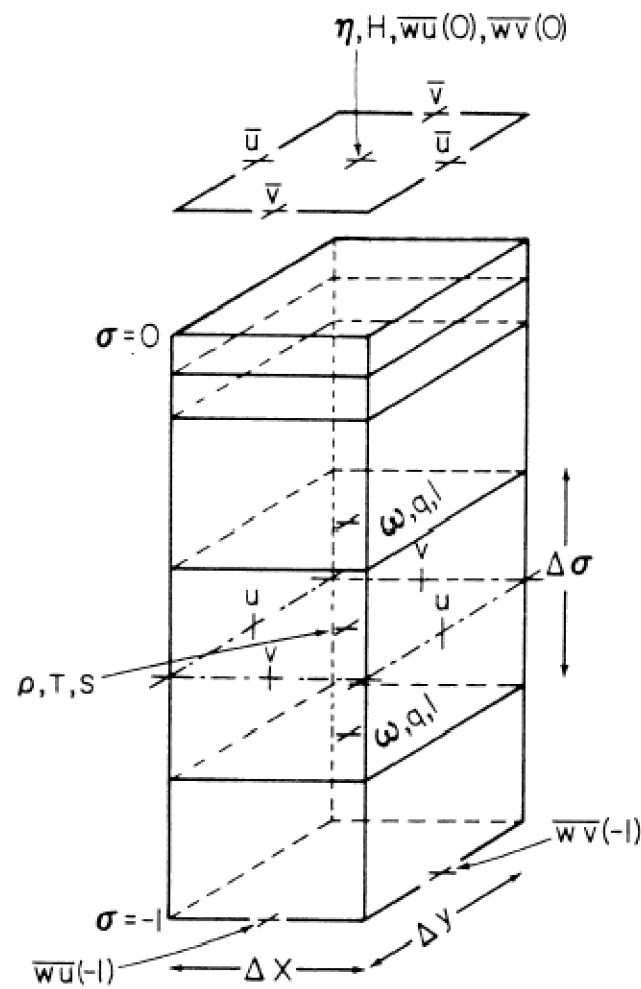


Fig. 1. The locations of the variables on the finite difference grid.

# OBJECTIVES

- Get familiar with **CROCO** and **CROCO\_TOOLS** directories.
- Run MATLAB and pre-processing tools for the 1<sup>st</sup> experiment.
- Modify and run MATLAB scripts.
- Create the horizontal and vertical grids.
- Make your own grid and configuration.

# STEP 1: Logging onto the HPC cluster

- From a terminal/konsole:

```
ssh -X login@lengau.chpc.ac.za
```

- Reserve one interactive processor to do this pre-processing step

```
[login@login2 ~]$ qsubil  
[login@cnode0220 ~]$
```



- Go directly into your lustre directory:

```
[login@cnode0220 ~]$ cd lustre/CROCO  
[login@cnode0220 CROCO]$ ls  
croco-v2.0.1 croco_tools-v2.0.0  
[login@cnode0220 CROCO]$
```

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# STEP 2: Creating the work directory of your first CROCO

- From croco-v2.0.1 directory, Edit the file **create\_config.bash** using the Linux command **vi** or the **nedit** software
  - line 68: replace the string “**Run**” by “**Run\_BENGUELA\_LR**”
- Execute the new file **create\_config.bash**

```
[login@cnod0220 croco-v2.0.1]$ ./create_config_bash
```

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- Go to the new directory created: Run\_BENGUELA\_LR.

# STEP 3: Recreating the BENGUELA\_LR Grid

- Run the basic pre-processing steps to create the grid:

[login@cnode0220 Run BENGUELA LR] \$ **matlab -nodesktop**

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```
To get started, type doc.  
For product information, visit www.mathworks.com.  
>> start  
>> edit crocotools_param  
>> make grid
```

- Take a look at the new files in the CROCO\_FILES directory
  - Inspect the vertical grid and play with the parameters using the Matlab function:

```
>> draw zonal section(N,theta s,theta b,hc,vtransform,lat index)
```

# Vertical grid: Parameters $\theta_s, \theta_b$

## ► Formulation Vtransform=1

$$z(x, y, \sigma, t) = z_0(x, y, \sigma) + \zeta(x, y, t) \left[ 1 + \frac{z_0(x, y, \sigma)}{h(x, y)} \right]$$

$$z_0(x, y, \sigma) = h_c \sigma + [h(x, y) - h_c] Cs(\sigma)$$

$$Cs(\sigma) = (1 - \theta_b) \frac{\sinh(\theta_s \sigma)}{N} + \theta_b \left[ \frac{0.5 \tanh((\sigma + 0.5)\theta_s)}{\tanh(0.5\theta_s)} - 0.5 \right]$$

## ► Formulation Vtransform=2

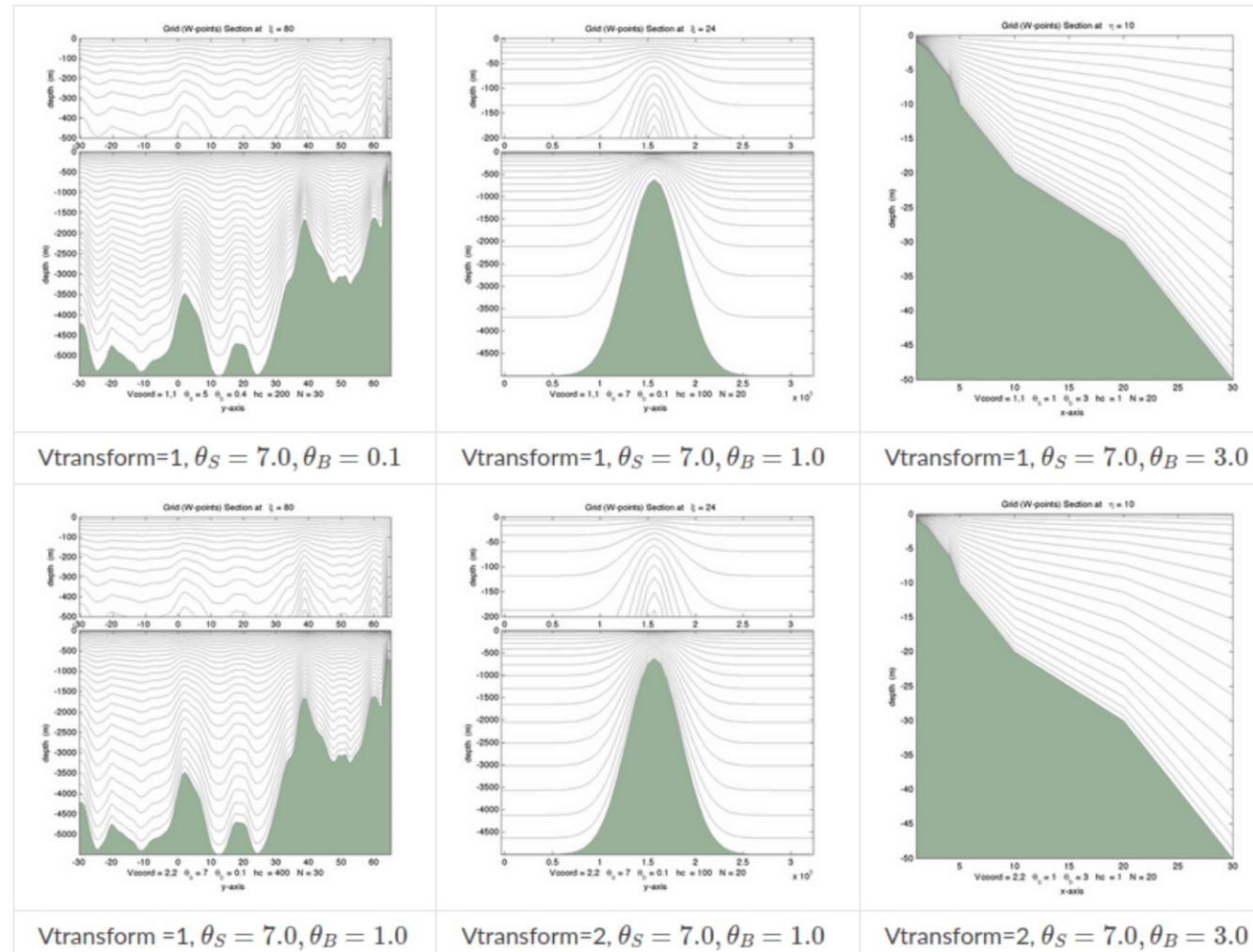
$$z(x, y, \sigma, t) = \zeta(x, y, \sigma) + [\zeta(x, y, t) + h(x, y)] z_0(x, y, \sigma)$$

$$z_0(x, y, \sigma) = \frac{h_c \sigma + h(x, y) Cs(\sigma)}{h_c + h(x, y)}$$

$$sc = \frac{\sigma - N}{N}$$

$$csf = \frac{1 - \cosh(\theta_s sc)}{\cosh(\theta_s) - 1} \quad \text{if } \theta_b > 0, \quad csf = -sc^2 \quad \text{otherwise}$$

$$Cs(\sigma) = \frac{e^{\theta_b csf} - 1}{1 - e^{-\theta_b}} \quad \text{if } \theta_s > 0, \quad Cs(\sigma) = csf \quad \text{otherwise}$$



# STEP 4: Creating your CROCO Grid

- Re-do **Steps 2 & 3** with your own parameters:  
Edit the file **create\_config.bash**
  
- Call your configuration **Run\_Clim.**
  - ↳ You can play with the **grid rotation** and the **editmask**.

Special attention to:

- **grid size (LLm, MMm): do not exceed a 100x100 grid**
- **at least 5°x5°**
- **do not create boundaries of less than 5 points**
- **do not overlap the equatorial zone by less than 2°**

# STEP 5: Exiting

- Exit Matlab:

```
exit
```



- Give back the compute node:

```
exit
```

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- Logoff the Lengau cluster:

```
exit
```

