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3D modeling of heat transfer and water quality in shallow waters

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Circulation model THREETOX

Governing equations

- System of Reynolds-averaged equations of continuity and horizontal momentum in Boussinesq and hydrostatic approximations
- Temperature and salinity transport equations
- Equation of state
- $k-\epsilon$ turbulence model equations

Maderich et al. (2008) Development and application of 3D numerical model THREETOX to the prediction of cooling water transport and mixing in the inland and coastal waters, *Hydrological Processes*, 22, pp. 1000-1013.

Circulation model THREETOX

Numerical setup

- The "staggered" Arakawa C-grid with horizontal curvilinear orthogonal coordinate system and vertical σsystem following the bottom topography
- Splitting on the 2D mode with small time step for fast barotropic long waves and 3D model with much larger time step for other processes
- Explicit numerical schemes are used in horizontal directions and implicit scheme in vertical direction
- The advection of scalars is approximated by the high order total variation diminishing (TVD) scheme

Heat fluxes

- Q_S Sun radiation flux (½ is absorbed in the surface layer, and ½ exponentially attenuate in the water layer)
- Q_{SB} Sun radiation flux at the bottom
- Q_b Long-wave thermal radiation flux (similar to black-body radiation)
- Q_{HB} Convection heat flux at the bottom that includes free convection and forced by near-bottom velocities convection



- 1 water layer
- 2 active bottom layer
- 3 deep bottom layer

Formula describing these fluxes are standard (universal) for all applications

Heat exchange with bottom could be important for shallow water bodies

Evaporation and convection heat fluxes

Natural water bodies

Cooling ponds

Blackadar (1979) parameterization

Rosati and Miyakoda (1988) formula

Intensive evaporation from the cooling pond forms special microclimate decreasing the heat losses (similar to Greenhouse effect)

Increasing of cooling capacity of the Tashlyk cooling pond of the South-Ukrainian NPP



Bathymetry, inlet (blue) and outlet (red) positions



Part of the computational grid



Validation for September 2007

Flow-directing dike





Construction of dike decreases T_{in} by 2°C similarly to construction of spray ponds

Construction of dike and spray ponds decreases T_{in} by 6°C due to flow of hot water directly to inlet of spray ponds

Surface temperature without dike

Surface temperature with dike

Heat transfer in the Amsterdam-Rhine Canal with intensive movement of ships

Movement of ships was parameterized by increasing of the vertical turbulent diffusion coefficient



Ems-Dollard Estuary (Netherlands/Germany)



Drying and wetting

Due to high tides in the North Sea, the large shallow areas in the Ems-Dollard Estuary are drying at low water level and wetting at high water level

Bathymetry

Calculated flows at different tide



Velocities at low tide

Velocities at high tide

Calculated surface temperature at low tide



Day time

Night time

Surface temperature after flooding in daytime



Heat exchange with bottom is important for heat budget of tidal flats

After flooding heated bottom layer returns heat to the water

Modeling system for shallow waters



The ecodynamics model



The transport of components of model is described by equations

$$\frac{\partial C_i}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial x} + V \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial y} + \left(W - W_{gi}\right) \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(v_i' \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(A_h \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(A_h \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial y}\right) + S_i$$

Dynamics of periphyton in bottom layer $\frac{\partial C_{p}}{\partial t} = S_{p}$

 S_i – source terms responsible for transformation processes (based on WASP model) ₁₄

Application to the Lake Markermeer (Netherlands)



Surface temperature

Concentration of ammonium nitrogen

Calculated and measured concentration of bottom vegetation





Measurements

Calculations

Conclusions

- Correct parameterization of heat fluxes in the system atmosphere – water – bottom is crucial for correct simulation of temperature changes in water bodies
- Temperature of water affect the ecodynamics parameters like eutrophication, level of dissolved oxygen and density of bottom vegetation
- The problem of overheating of natural waters or artificial cooling ponds could become relevant in the case of global warming