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# Data assimilation analysis for a stochastic one-layer rotating shallow water system driven by transport noise

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### 1. Stochasticity and Data Assimilation Data-Driven Stochastic Lie Transport Models (SALT)

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### **Stochasticity & Data Assimilation**

### Motivation

### atmospheric data assimilation: challenges generated by

- the multi-scale regime
- the nonlinear aspect
- of the atmosphere
- ► resolved and unresolved scales of motion → certain small/sub-grid scale geophysical processes and their influence are still under-represented<sup>[10]</sup> → introduce stochasticity ⇒ improved representation of the missing physics.

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#### Challenges

- physical properties of the original system are preserved<sup>[4]</sup>
- analytical properties  $\rightarrow$  as good as those of the deterministic model<sup>[3][1]</sup>.

Approach: Stochastic Advection by Lie Transport (SALT)

### Small-scale processes



Figure : Physical processes which influence the large-scale phenomena but are usually active at scales smaller than those represented within the model grid.

Source: www.ecmwf.int/en/research/modelling-and-prediction/atmospheric-physics

### Data-Driven Stochastic Lie Transport Models (SALT)

deterministic transport: the Lie form of the vorticity equation contains a Lie derivative which expresses the change of vorticity along the flow generated by the velocity vector field:

$$\partial_t \omega_t + \mathcal{L}_{u_t} \omega_t = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad d\omega_t + u_t \cdot \nabla \omega_t dt = 0$$

• vorticity: 
$$\omega_t = curl \ u_t = \nabla \times u_t$$

stochastic transport: perturb the velocity vector field and investigate the case where vorticity is transported along the newly perturbed trajectory<sup>[3][4]</sup>:

$$dy_t =: u_t dt + \sum_i \xi_i \circ dW_t^i.$$

$$d\omega_t + u_t \cdot \nabla \omega_t dt + \sum_i \xi_i \cdot \nabla \omega_t \circ dW_t^i = 0$$

From fine-grid PDE → coarse-grid SPDE ⇒ reduced computational cost ⇔ model reduction, rigorously justified in nonlinear filtering through the continuity of the conditional distribution of the signal.

### Data-Driven Stochastic Lie Transport Models (SALT)

### The $\xi_i$ vector fields:

- divergence-free, time-independent, derived from the underlying physics
- play 2 roles:
  - improved representation of the missing physics
  - induce variability in the particle filter ensemble (for DA)
- ► can be derived by comparing the fine grid and the coarse grid Lagrangian trajectories ⇒ correspond to spatial correlations defined by a velocity-velocity correlation matrix
- for an incompressible fluid this spatial structure can be estimated from data in such a way that an ensemble of this type of stochastic paths will successfully track the large-scale behaviour of the original deterministic system: Cotter, C. et. al., *Numerically Modelling Stochastic Lie Transport in Fluid Dynamics*, 2018.

#### SGLE: Between Euler and the Rotating Shallow Water Model

Euler	Lake	Great Lake	SRSW
$\omega = {\it curl}  {\it u}$	$\omega = b^{-1} {\it curl}   u$	$\omega = b^{-1} curl v$	$\omega = \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{curl} \ \mathbf{v}$
		$v = u + \frac{1}{6}\delta^2 b^2 \nabla (\nabla \cdot u)$	$v = \epsilon u + R$
		$=: \mathcal{L}u$	time-evolution for $(h + b)$
$u = \nabla^{\perp} \psi$	$u = b^{-1} \nabla^{\perp} \psi$	$u = b^{-1} \nabla^{\perp} \psi$	
$u = K\omega$	$u = K\omega$	$u = K\omega$	
$K = curl^{-1}$	$K = curl^{-1}b$	$K = (curl \mathcal{L})^{-1}b$	
$ abla \cdot u = 0$	$ abla \cdot (bu) = 0$	$ abla \cdot (bu) = 0$	time-evolution for $ abla \cdot u$
$\mathcal{L}u=u+\delta^2b^2$	$^{-1}\left[-rac{1}{3} abla(b^{3} abla\cdot u)- ight]$	$\frac{1}{2} abla(b^2u\cdot abla b)+\frac{1}{2}b^2( abla\cdot u) abla b$	$b + b(u \cdot \nabla b) \nabla b$

•  $\mathcal{L}$  is self-adjoint, positive-definite  $\Rightarrow$  invertible  $\Rightarrow$  K is continuous

 $\blacktriangleright$  we need smoothing properties for K i.e a generalization of the Biot-Savart law

$$\|K\omega\|_{k,2} \le C \|\omega\|_{k-1,2}$$

### 2D Stochastic Euler Equation with Transport Noise

### Theorem (Crisan, L., 2019)

If  $\omega_0 \in \mathcal{W}^{k,2}(\mathbb{T}^2)$  is a divergence-free function then the two-dimensional stochastic Euler vorticity equation

$$d\omega_t + u_t \cdot 
abla \omega_t dt + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\xi_i \cdot 
abla \omega_t) \circ dW_t^i = 0$$

admits a global, pathwise unique,  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -adapted solution  $\omega = \{\omega_t, t \in [0, \infty)\}$  in  $C([0, \infty); \mathcal{W}^{k,2}(\mathbb{T}^2))$ . In particular, if  $k \ge 4$  the solution is classical. Moreover, if  $\tilde{\omega} = \{\tilde{\omega}_t, t \in [0, \infty)\}$  is another solution of this equation, then, for all  $T \in [0, \infty)$  there exists a positive constant C independent of the two solutions such that

$$\mathbb{E}\left[e^{-CA_t}||\omega_t - \tilde{\omega}_t||^2_{k,2}\right] \le ||\omega_0 - \tilde{\omega}_0||^2_{k,2}.$$

The process A is defined as  $A_t := \int_0^t \|\omega_s\|_{k,2} ds$ , for any  $t \ge 0$ .

The result holds for the more general class of SPDEs

$$dx_t = F(x_t)dt + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_i x_t \circ dW_t^i$$

where *F* is a nonlinear operator satisfying specific conditions and  $\mathcal{L}_i x_t := \xi_i \cdot \nabla x_t$ .

### Stochastic Great Lake Equations with Transport Noise

### Theorem (Crisan, L., in preparation)

Under certain conditions on the vector fields  $(\xi_i)_i$  the two-dimensional stochastic great lake equation system

$$\partial_t \omega_t + u_t \cdot \nabla \omega_t dt + \sum_i (\xi_i \cdot \nabla \omega_t) \circ dW_t^i = 0$$
  

$$\nabla \cdot (bu) = 0$$
  

$$\omega = b^{-1} curl \ v$$
  

$$v = u + \frac{1}{6} \delta^2 b^2 \nabla (\nabla \cdot u)$$

admits a unique global (in time) solution in the *weighted Sobolev space*  $\mathcal{W}^{b,k,2}(\mathbb{T}^2)$ . In particular, if  $k \ge 4$  the solution is classical. Moreover, if  $\tilde{\omega} = {\tilde{\omega}_t, t \in [0, \infty)}$  is another solution of this equation, then, for all  $T \in [0, \infty)$  there exists a positive constant C independent of the two solutions such that

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{-CB_t}||\omega_t - \tilde{\omega}_t||_{b,k,2}^2] \le ||\omega_0 - \tilde{\omega}_0||_{b,k,2}^2.$$

The process B is defined as  $B_t := \int_0^t \|\omega_s\|_{b,k,2} ds$ , for any  $t \ge 0$ .

### 2. The Stochastic Rotating Shallow Water Model (SRSW)

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#### A Viscous Stochastic Rotating Shallow Water System - Overview -

$$dv_t + \left[u_t \cdot \nabla v_t + f\hat{z} \times u_t + \nabla p_t\right] dt + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[\xi_i \cdot \nabla v_t + (v_t)_j \nabla \xi_i^j\right] \circ dW_t^i = \nu \Delta v_t$$
$$d\eta_t + \nabla \cdot (\eta_t u_t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[\nabla \cdot (\xi_i \eta_t)\right] \circ dW_t^i = \delta \Delta \eta_t \qquad \nabla \cdot v_t \neq 0$$

 $v := \epsilon u + \mathcal{R}$ , curl  $\mathcal{R} = f\hat{z}$ ,  $p = \frac{\eta - b}{\epsilon \mathcal{F}}$ ,  $\eta =$ total depth, b =bottom topography.



Picture source: Levermore, Oliver, Titi, Global Well-posedness for the Lake Equations (1996).

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### The Viscous Stochastic Rotating Shallow Water System

- Main result -

### Theorem (Crisan, L., in preparation)

Given  $(u_0, \eta_0) \in W^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^2) \times W^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^2)$  and a fixed stochastic basis  $S = (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_t, \mathbb{P}, W^i)$ , there exists a unique local pathwise solution of the stochastic rotating shallow water system

$$egin{aligned} dm{v}_t + ig[\mathcal{L}_{u_t}m{v}_t + f\hat{m{z}} imes u_t + 
abla m{p}_tig] dt + \sum_{i=1}^\infty ig[(\mathcal{L}_i + \mathcal{A}_i)m{v}_tig] \circ dW^i_t = 
u\Deltam{v}_t dt \ d\eta_t + 
abla \cdot (\eta_t u_t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^\infty \mathcal{L}_i h_t \circ dW^i_t = \delta\Delta\eta_t dt \end{aligned}$$

with values in the space  $\mathcal{W}^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^2) \times \mathcal{W}^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^2)$ .

$$\blacktriangleright \mathcal{L}_i \mathbf{v}_t := \xi_i \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}_t$$

$$\blacktriangleright \quad \mathcal{A}_i \mathbf{v}_t := (\mathbf{v}_t)_j \nabla \xi_i^j = (\mathbf{v}_t)_1 \nabla \xi_i^1 + (\mathbf{v}_t)_2 \nabla \xi_i^2$$

$$\blacktriangleright \nabla \cdot \xi_i = 0, \ \nabla \cdot u \neq 0$$

# The Viscous Stochastic Rotating Shallow Water System - Strategy & Key facts -

Consider the truncated linearised system (Itô form):

$$dv_t^n = \nu \Delta v_t^n dt + P_t^{n-1,n}(v_t^n) dt - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[ (\mathcal{L}_i + \mathcal{A}_i) v_t^n \right] dW_t^i$$
$$d\eta_t^n = \delta \Delta \eta_t^n dt + Q_t^{n-1,n}(\eta_t^n) dt - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_i \eta_t^n dW_t^i$$

$$P_t^{n-1,n}(v_t^n) := -f_R(u_t^{n-1})\mathcal{L}_{u_t^{n-1}}v_t^n - f\hat{z} \times u_t^n - f_R(\eta_t^{n-1})\nabla p_t^{n-1} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[ (\mathcal{L}_i + \mathcal{A}_i)^2 v_t^n \right] dt$$

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$$Q_t^{n-1,n}(\eta_t^n) := -f_R(u_t^{n-1})\nabla \cdot (\eta_t^n u_t^{n-1}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_i^2 \eta_t^n dt$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|\boldsymbol{v}_t^n\|_{1,2}^2 + \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|\boldsymbol{\eta}_t^n\|_{1,2}^2\right] \leq C_1$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^T \|\Delta \boldsymbol{v}_t^n\|_2^2 dt + \int_0^T \|\Delta \boldsymbol{\eta}_t^n\|_2^2 dt\right) \leq C_2$$
a priori estimates

# The Viscous Stochastic Rotating Shallow Water System - Strategy & Key facts -

- ► The truncated linear system admits a global pathwise solution in C<sup>∞</sup>(T<sup>2</sup>) × C<sup>∞</sup>(T<sup>2</sup>) (Rozovskii)
- ► The family of solutions  $(v_t^n, \eta_t^n)_n$  is relatively compact in the space of càdlàg functions  $\mathcal{D}([0, T], \mathbb{L}^2(\mathbb{T}^2))$ ; Kurtz's criterion: find a family of random variables  $(\gamma_{\alpha}^n)_{\alpha}$  s.t.  $\mathbb{E}[||Y_{t+l}^n Y_t^n||_2^2|\mathcal{F}_t] \leq \mathbb{E}[\gamma_{\alpha}^n|\mathcal{F}_t]$  and  $\lim_{\alpha \to 0} \limsup_n \mathbb{E}[\gamma_{\alpha}^n] = 0$  for  $t \in [0, T] \leftarrow$  we use the mild form to show this.
- $(v_t^n, \eta_t^n)_n$  converges in distribution to a truncated form of the original system  $\xrightarrow{\text{Skorohod}}$  weak (probabilistic) solution
- ► Stochastic Gronwall lemma ⇒ pathwise uniqueness <u>Yamada-Watanabe</u> strong solution for the truncated form of the original system

- Remove the truncation up to a positive stopping time
- $\Rightarrow$  strong local solution for the stochastic rotating shallow water system.

### Numerical implementation of the SRSW model

- In the first phase we use an ideal simulation of the *truth*, when the model is run at fine resolution for 1000 and 10 000 time steps respectively, with initial data (pressure) from a DWD numerical weather prediction analysis field.
- The velocity solution (zonal velocity, meridional velocity), and the magnitude of the velocity vector (given by the L<sub>2</sub> norm)
- The scale of the fields decreases during the integrations due to developing instabilities within the flow.





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### **Nonlinear Stochastic Filtering**

- Overview -

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  be a probability space.

Signal process/model  $dX_t = f_t(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t$  (X is unknown)

Observation process  $Y_t = h_t(X_t) + V_t$  (Y is known)

where  $f_t, h_t, \sigma_t : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$  are measurable functions and  $(W_t)_t, (V_t)_t$  are normal, independent and identically distributed random variables.

### Goal

Find the best estimate of  $X_t$  given the  $\sigma$  - algebra  $\mathcal{Y}_t = \sigma(Y_s, s \in [0, t])$ generated by observations i.e. find the probability measure valued process  $(\pi_t)_t$ such that for any  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ 

$$\pi_t(A) = \mathbb{P}(X_t \in A | Y_1, \ldots, Y_t).$$

### **Stochastic Filtering/Data Assimilation**



• intractable for nonlinear problems  $\Rightarrow$  approximation methods required:

variational and ensemble methods: 3dVar, 4dVar, EnKF, LETKF, ...

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particle filters

### A Data Assimilation Problem using the SRSW model

$$\pi_{t-1}^{a} \xrightarrow[forecast]{forecast} \mathcal{K}_{t}(\pi_{t-1}^{a}) = \pi_{t-1}^{b} \xrightarrow[assimilation]{tempering, g_{t} \star forecast}{g_{t} \star \pi_{t-1}^{b} = \pi_{t}^{a}}$$

Model (signal process):

$$dq + (u \cdot \nabla q)dt + \sum_{i} (\xi_{i} \cdot \nabla q) \circ dW_{t}^{i} = 0, \qquad q = \frac{\omega}{\eta}, \ \omega = \hat{z} \cdot curl(\epsilon u + \mathcal{R})$$
$$d\eta_{t} + \nabla \cdot (\eta_{t}u_{t})dt + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} [\nabla \cdot (\xi_{i}\eta_{t})] \circ dW_{t}^{i} = 0, \qquad \nabla \cdot v_{t} \neq 0$$

$$d\mathbf{v}_t + \left[u_t \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}_t + f\hat{z} \times u_t + \nabla p_t\right] dt + \sum_{i=1} \left[\xi_i \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}_t + (\mathbf{v}_t)_j \nabla \xi_i^j\right] \circ dW_t^i = 0$$

Data (observation process): pointwise measurements for the pressure field between 20 and 70 degrees north latitude, collected using commercial aircraft (Deutscher Wetterdienst).

Methodology: Particle Methods.



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3. Adaptive Tempering Particle Filter Algorithms

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### **Particle Filters - Overview**

$$\pi_{t-1}^{a,y_{0:t-1}} \xrightarrow[forecast]{K_t} \mathcal{K}_t \pi_{t-1}^{a,y_{0:t-1}} =: \pi_{t-1}^b =: p_t \xrightarrow[assimilation]{update using data, g_t^{y_t} \star}{g_t^{y_t} \star \pi_{t-1}^b = \pi_t^{a,y_{0:t-1}}} g_t^{y_t} \star \pi_{t-1}^b = \pi_t^{a,y_{0:t-1}}$$

$$\begin{split} & \mathcal{K}_t: \mathbb{R}^{d_S} \times \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^{d_S}) \rightarrow [0,1], \ \mathcal{K}_t(X_{t-1},A) = \mathbb{P}(X_t \in A | X_{t-1}) \\ & g_t^{y_t}: \mathbb{R}^{d_X} \rightarrow [0,1], \ g_t^{y_t}(x) = g_t(y_t - h(t,x)) = \mathbb{P}(Y_t \in dy_t | X_t = x_t) \end{split}$$

$$\ \, \mathbf{\pi}_t \approx \pi_t^N = \sum_{l=1}^N \bar{w}_t^l \delta(\mathbf{x}_t^l), \mathbf{x}_{t_2}^l = \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{x}_{t_1}^l, \omega^l, t_2), \pi_{t_2}^a = \sum_{l=1}^N \bar{w}_{t_2}^l \delta(\mathcal{K}(\mathbf{x}_{t_1}^l, \omega^l, t_2)) = \sum_{l=1}^N \bar{w}_{t_2}^l \delta(\mathbf{x}_{t_2}^l)$$





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### Particle Filters - Overview

► too informative observations  $\Rightarrow \pi_{t_2}^N$  and  $\pi_t$  become singular with respect to each other exponentially fast  $\Rightarrow$  resampling: particles with low weights are discarded and replaced with higher weighted particles  $\Rightarrow$  new ensemble  $(\tilde{x}_{t_2}^I)_I$  with equal weights

$$\pi_{t_2}^N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=1}^N \delta(\tilde{x}_{t_2}^l)$$

▶ resampling  $\leftrightarrow$  duplicates  $\Rightarrow$  degenerate distribution  $\Rightarrow$  jittering (MCMC)  $\rightarrow$  evaluation of the solution map  $K \leftrightarrow$  computationally expensive  $\Rightarrow$  quantify the non-uniformity/variance of the weights using the *effective* sample size (ess) statistic:

$$ess(ar{w}) = rac{1}{\displaystyle\sum_{l=1}^{N}(ar{w}^{l})^{2}}$$

- ►  $\pi_t^N$  can become degenerate exponentially fast in high dimensions  $\longleftrightarrow$  low ess  $\Rightarrow$  tempering  $\Rightarrow$  smoother transitions between posterior distributions
- ▶ standard particle filters do not work in high-dimensional systems

### Particle Filters - Algorithm<sup>[6]</sup>

- ▶ Draw independent samples x<sup>l</sup><sub>0</sub> ~ π<sub>0</sub>, l = 1, 2, ..., N and assign equal normalised weights w<sup>l</sup><sub>0</sub> = 1/N
- ▶ For i = 1, 2, ... do
  - Compute  $x'_{t_i} = K(x'_{t_{i-1}}, \omega', t_i) I = 1, 2, ..., N$
  - Collect observation  $y_i$  and compute the weights  $\bar{w}_i^l \propto \bar{w}_{i-1}^l g_i^{y_i}(x_i^l), l = 1, 2, \dots, N$
  - If ess < N<sub>threshold</sub> then
    - Sample  $\tilde{x}_i^l, l = 1, 2, \dots, N$  according to the weights  $\bar{w}_i^l$
    - Assign equal weights  $\bar{w}_i^I = 1/N$
    - ▶ If there are duplicates then do jittering and obtain the jittered set  $\tilde{\tilde{x}}_i^l$

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• Set 
$$x_i^l = \tilde{x}_i^l = \tilde{\tilde{x}}_i^l$$

- end If
- Move on to the next For loop cycle.

### Tempering<sup>[6]</sup>

- ▶ Sometimes the *ess* is smaller than a representative threshold  $N_{threshold}$   $\leftrightarrow$  equal-weighted particles concentrate in a 'wrong' direction
- ▶ Tempering: increase gradually the variance of the distribution so that  $N_{threshold}$  is attained, then resample  $\Rightarrow$  a more diverse ensemble of particles which are samples corresponding to a sequence of *altered* distributions  $\rightarrow$  repeat until the original distribution is recovered
- Sequence of *temperatures* 0 = φ<sub>0</sub> < φ<sub>1</sub> < ... φ<sub>R</sub> = 1 ⇒ sequence of tempered posteriors with corresponding normalised tempered weights (φ ∈ (0, 1])

$$ar{w}_i^{\,\prime}(\phi, \mathbf{x}) := rac{e \kappa p(-\phi \lambda_i^{\prime})}{\sum_j e \kappa p(-\phi \lambda_i^{j})}$$

and the corresponding ess

$$ess_i(\phi, \mathbf{x}) := \| \bar{w}_i(\phi, \mathbf{x}) \|_{l^2}^{-1}$$



### Tempering<sup>[6]</sup>

- t = 0: Sample N particles from the prior distribution.
- (t<sub>i-1</sub>, t<sub>i</sub>]: we have an ensemble x of particles with positions (x<sup>l</sup><sub>ti-1</sub>)<sub>l</sub> and we want to assimilate observational data y<sub>ti</sub> in order to obtain a new ensemble (x<sup>l</sup><sub>ti</sub>)<sub>l</sub> that defines π<sup>N</sup><sub>ti</sub>:
  - Evolve  $x_{t_{i-1}^{l}} \xrightarrow{SPDE} x_{t_i}^{l}$ .
  - Set temperature  $\phi = 1$ .
  - While  $ess_i(\phi, \mathbf{x}) < N_{threshold}$  do
    - ▶ Find  $\phi' \in (1 \phi, 1)$  such that  $ess_i(\phi' (1 \phi), \mathbf{x}) \approx N_{threshold}$ . Resample according to  $\overline{w}'_i(\phi' - (1 - \phi), \mathbf{x})$  and apply MCMC with jittering if required (i.e. if there are duplicates)  $\Rightarrow$  a new ensemble  $\mathbf{x}(\phi')$ .

- Set  $\phi = 1 \phi'$  and  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(\phi)$ .
- If  $ess_i \ge N_{threshold}$  then Stop and go to the  $(i + 1)^{th}$  filtering step with  $(x_{t_i}^l, \bar{w}_i^l)_l$ .

### **Application for Lorenz 63**

Ensemble spread



#### Effective sample size







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### Summary

Storyline: Change a classical model in such a way that the missing physics is better represented and therefore we are able to produce a better approximation of the real geophysical processes which characterise the dynamics of the atmosphere (SALT). Show that the new model makes sense from a mathematical point of view (the solution does not blow-up in finite time), and it can eventually be used operationally (it can assimilate real data).

Remarks:

- ► The atmosphere is more turbulent and faster than the ocean ⇒ increased complexity when we go to finer grid scales.
- When the ξ<sub>i</sub> parameters are chosen such that they induce enough variability in the particle filter ensemble ⇒ the missing physics is also modelled properly.

Results:

- The SRSW model is well-posed in  $\mathcal{W}^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^2) \times \mathcal{W}^{1,2}(\mathbb{T}^2)$ .
- An adaptive tempering particle filter has been implemented for both Lorenz63 and SRSW. It produces good results in the first case. Optimal ξ<sub>i</sub> parameters are still being tested in the second case. No extra approximations required.

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