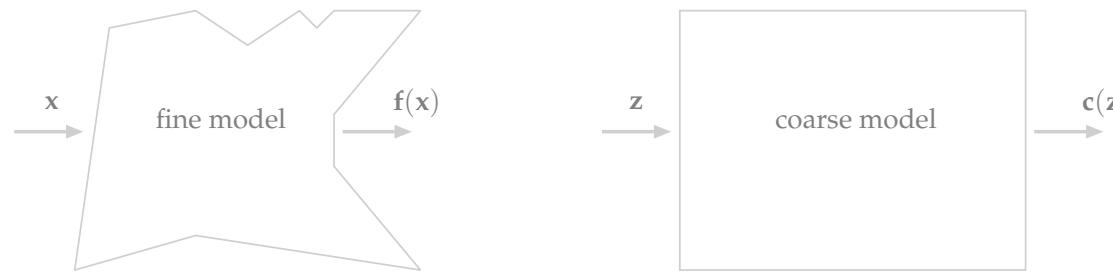




# Surrogate-Based Optimization of Biogeochemical Models

A3: Algorithmic Optimal Control - C02 Uptake of the Ocean  
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## Algorithmic Optimal Control - C02 Uptake of the Ocean



# General Research Aims

- CO<sub>2</sub> concentration has **doubled since 1900**
- To-date we assume **4 – 8°C** in the business as usual case
- Agreement on the "**2-degree-aim**" until the year 2100
- This relates to a CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction about 80% until 2050



- Only **sustainable energopolitics** will not comply with this aim
- Think of **carbon management/ sequestration** approaches
- Increase our understanding of **ocean change** (past, present, future), the **ocean's potential** (marine resources) and its **risks**

# Algorithmic Optimal Control - C02 Uptake of the Ocean

- The ocean  $\curvearrowright$  biggest CO<sub>2</sub> sink
- More than half of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> stored for long time
  - $\curvearrowright$  Crucial impact on climate
- Natural Sequestration based upon global CO<sub>2</sub> cycle
- “Physical + Biological CO<sub>2</sub> pump” are the operators
- Ocean Circulation + Biogeochemical Models indispensable



- Optimization w.r.t. available measurement data (target)
  - $\curvearrowright$  e.g. Improve determination of current/ future CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration potential

# The Biogeochemical Model

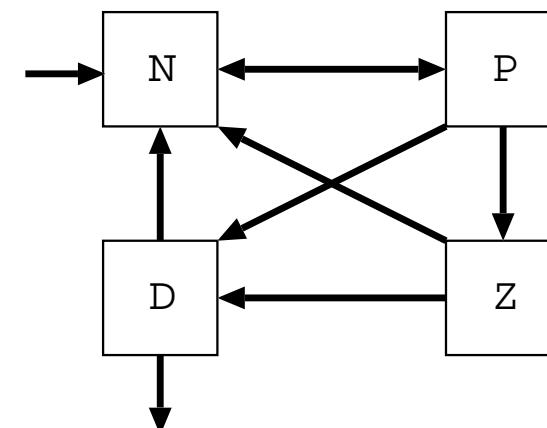


- Biogeochemical models = coupled PDE systems
  - time-dependent **advection-diffusion** + **nonlinear coupling** terms
- Here:** Ocean model data (velocity  $u_1$ ) is used as a kind of forcing  
 “offline mode”  $\leftrightarrow$  “online mode”

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}^{(l)}}{\partial t} = \underbrace{-u_1 \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}^{(l)}}{\partial z}}_{\text{advection}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( K_\rho \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}^{(l)}}{\partial z} \right)}_{\text{diffusion (“mixing”)}} + \underbrace{Q^{(l)}(\mathbf{y}, t, u_2, \dots, u_n)}_{\text{nonlinear coupling}}$$

$$\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}^{(N)}, \mathbf{y}^{(P)}, \mathbf{y}^{(Z)}, \mathbf{y}^{(D)})^T, \quad \mathbf{y} \in [0, T] \times [0, H] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4.$$

- $N$  : dissolved inorganic **nitrogen**  
 $P$  : **phytoplankton**  
 $Z$  : **zooplankton**  
 $D$  : **detritus**





## The Optimization (OPT) Problem



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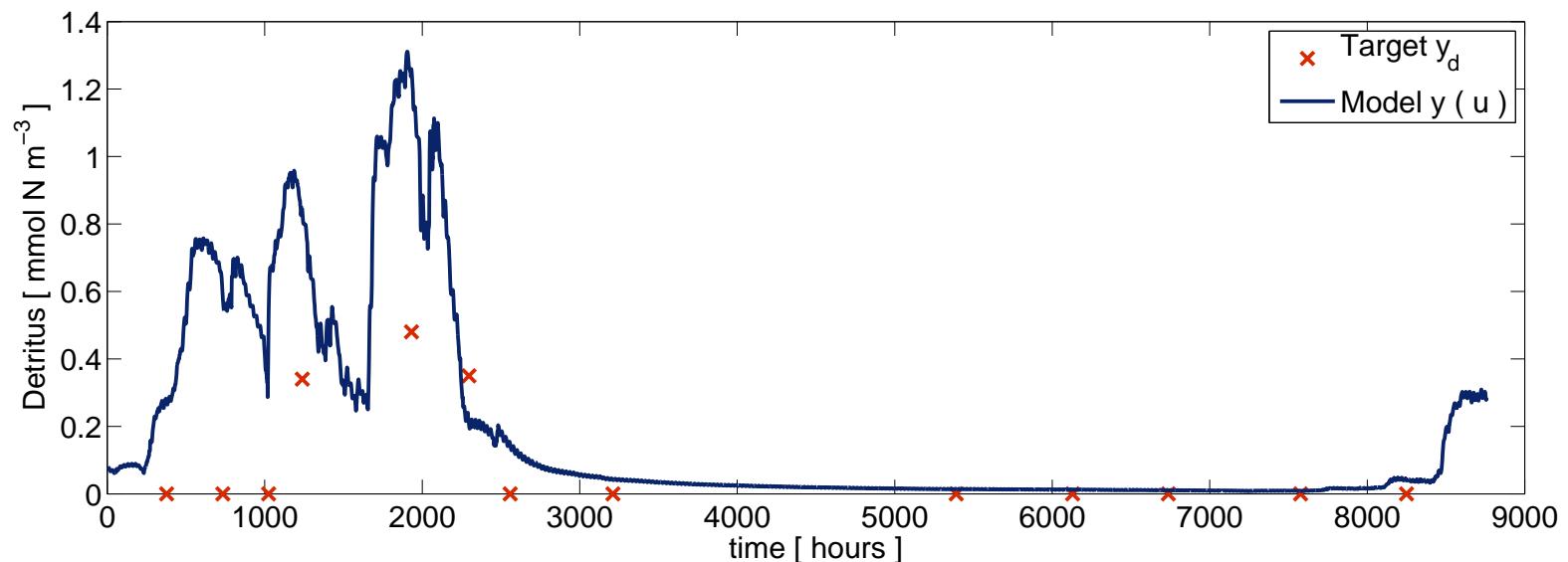
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- Minimize distance between the **model output  $y(\mathbf{u})$**  and some **target  $y_d$**  (of least-squares type)

$$\min_{\mathbf{u} \in U} J(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{u}) := \|\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{y}_d\|_Y^2 + \alpha \cdot \|\mathbf{u}\|_U^2$$

$$U := \{ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{b}_l \leq \mathbf{u} \leq \mathbf{b}_u \} , \quad J : Y \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

- Control variables  $\mathbf{u}$  (**scalar numbers**) = 12 unknown physical/ biological parameters in the nonlinear coupling term  $Q^{(l)}$





# Surrogate-Based Optimization



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- **Aim :** Reduce the overall number of high-fidelity model and gradient evaluations
- **High-fidelity/ fine model  $y(\mathbf{u}) \rightsquigarrow$  replaced by computationally cheaper, less accurate surrogate with state  $s_k(\mathbf{u})$**

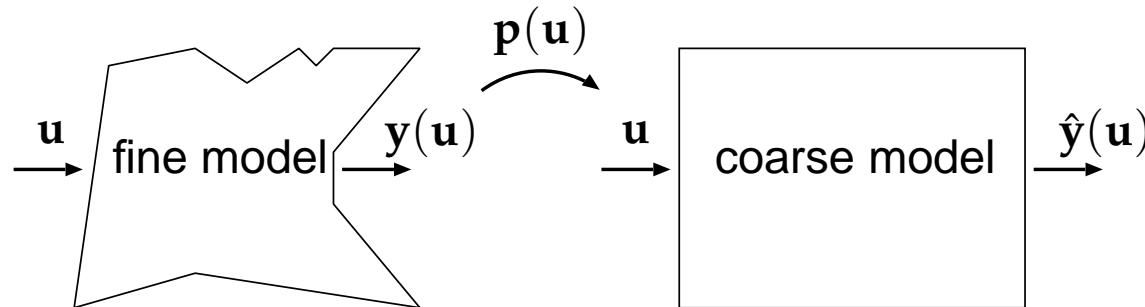
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_{k+1} &= \min_{\mathbf{u} \in U} J(s_k(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{u}) \\ s_k(\mathbf{u}_k) &\approx y(\mathbf{u}_k) , \quad (s'_k(\mathbf{u}_k) \approx y'(\mathbf{u}_k)) \\ \hat{y}(\mathbf{u}) &\xrightarrow{\text{alignment/ correction}} s_k(\mathbf{u}) \end{aligned}$$

- 0-order and ideally also 1st-order similarity
- Groups of functional and physically-based surrogates
- Basis is a low-fidelity/ coarse model  $\hat{y}(\mathbf{u})$  which is then aligned/corrected through appropriate techniques to obtain the surrogate  $s_k(\mathbf{u})$
- Examples: coarser discretization , using analytical formulas if available, using simplified physics, ...

# Space Mapping (SM) Optimization



# Basic Concept



- SM uses a **physically-based** coarse model to create the surrogate
- Basic approach :** Correction/ alignment through parameter mapping  
 $p : U \mapsto U$

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1} = \min_{\mathbf{u} \in U} J(\mathbf{s}_k(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{u}) , \quad \mathbf{s}_k(\mathbf{u}) := \hat{\mathbf{y}} [ p_k(\mathbf{u}) ]$$

$$p_k(\mathbf{u}) = p(\mathbf{u}_k) + p'(\mathbf{u}_k)(\mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u})$$

$$p(\mathbf{u}_k) := \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{u} \in U} \| \hat{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_k) \|^2$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_k(\mathbf{u}_k) \approx \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_k)$$

# Example: The Aggressive SM (ASM) Algorithm

- The ASM algorithm iteratively solves for a solution of the nonlinear system of equations

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}) := \mathbf{p}_k(\mathbf{u}) - \hat{\mathbf{u}}^* = 0 , \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}^* := \min_{\mathbf{u} \in U} J(\hat{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{u})$$

$$\mathbf{p}_k(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_k) + \mathbf{p}'(\mathbf{u}_k)(\mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u})$$

- Using a **globalized Quasi-Newton** method with a **Broyden rank-one update** for the Jacobian  $B_k \simeq \mathbf{p}'(\mathbf{u}_k)$

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1} = \mathbf{u}_k + \sigma \cdot \mathbf{s}_k , \quad B_k \mathbf{s}_k = -\mathbf{F}_k , \quad \|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}_{k+1})\|^2 \leq (1 - \delta \cdot \sigma) \cdot \|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}_k)\|^2$$

With  $\mathbf{s}_k$  = descent direction for the merit function  $\|\mathbf{F}_k\|^2$

( assuming  $B_k \simeq \mathbf{p}'(\mathbf{u}_k)$  )

## Example: Coarse Discretization



# The Coarse Model

Discretized model equations with  $\mathbf{y}_j \approx (\mathbf{y}(z_i, t_j))_{i=1,\dots,K}$  and  $A_j := A(t_j)$

$$\underbrace{[I - \tau \cdot A_j^{\text{diff}}]}_{:= B_j^{\text{diff}}} \mathbf{y}_{j+1} = \underbrace{[I + \tau \cdot A_j^{\text{adv}}]}_{:= B^{\text{adv}}} \circ B_j^Q \circ B_j^Q \circ B_j^Q \circ B_j^Q(\mathbf{y}_j)$$

$$B_j^Q(\mathbf{y}_j) := [I + \tau/4 \cdot Q_j(\mathbf{y}_j)] , \quad j = 1, \dots, M$$

$j$  : discrete time step

$A_j^{\text{diff}}, A^{\text{adv}}$  : Spatial discretization of the sinking and diffusion term

$Q_j$  : Nonlinear coupling in the four tracers

$M, \tau, K$  : Number, size of discrete time steps resp. vertical levels

High-fidelity model:  $\tau = 1 \text{ h}$

Low-fidelity model:  $\hat{\tau} = \beta \cdot \tau$  , e.g.  $\beta = 2, 10, 20, 40, 80, \dots$

NOTE: Account for **numerical instabilities** due to  $\hat{\tau} \not\in C$

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# Numerical Stability

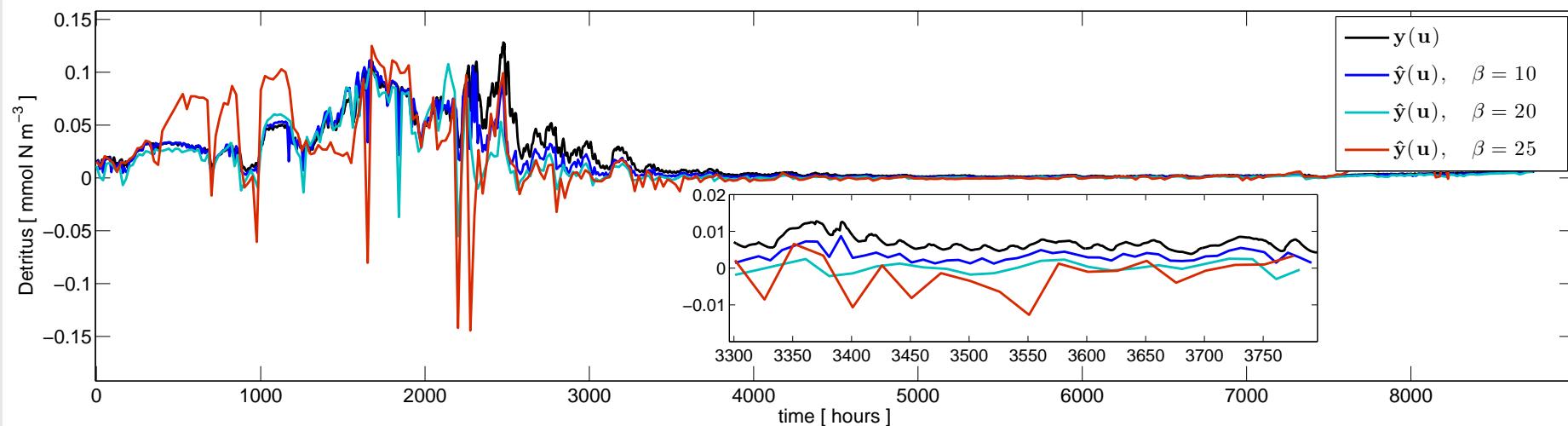
It can be shown that

$$\|\mathbf{y}_j\| \leq \left( \prod_{m=0}^{j-1} \|B_m^{\text{diff}}\| \right) \cdot \|B^{\text{adv}}\|^j \cdot \prod_{m=0}^{j-1} \|L_m^Q\|^4 , \quad L_m^Q := I + \tau/4 \cdot Q'_m(0) \quad (1)$$

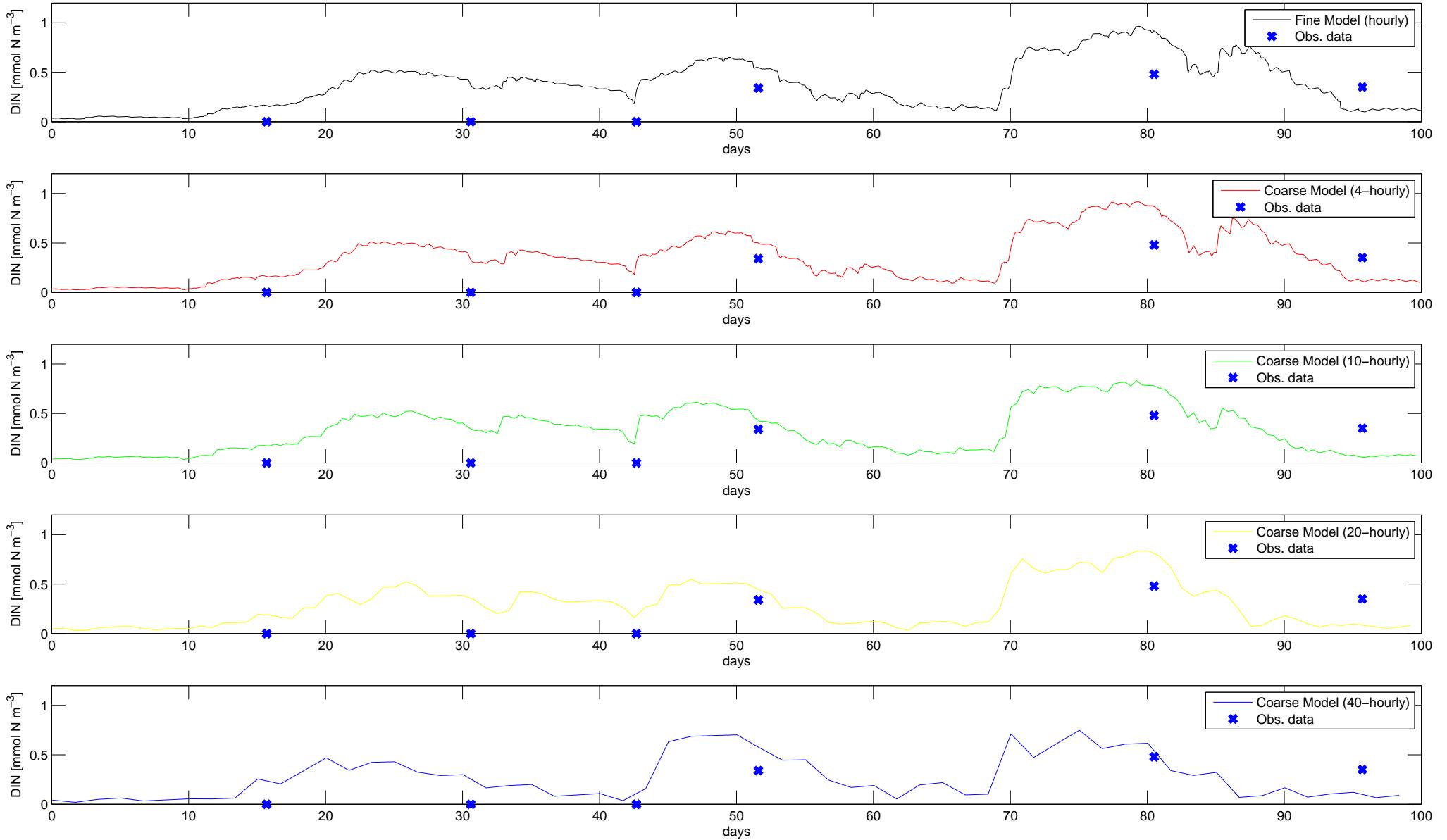
( since  $Q_m(0) = 0$  )

Hence a sufficient criterion for stability using this approximation of  $Q$  (!) is

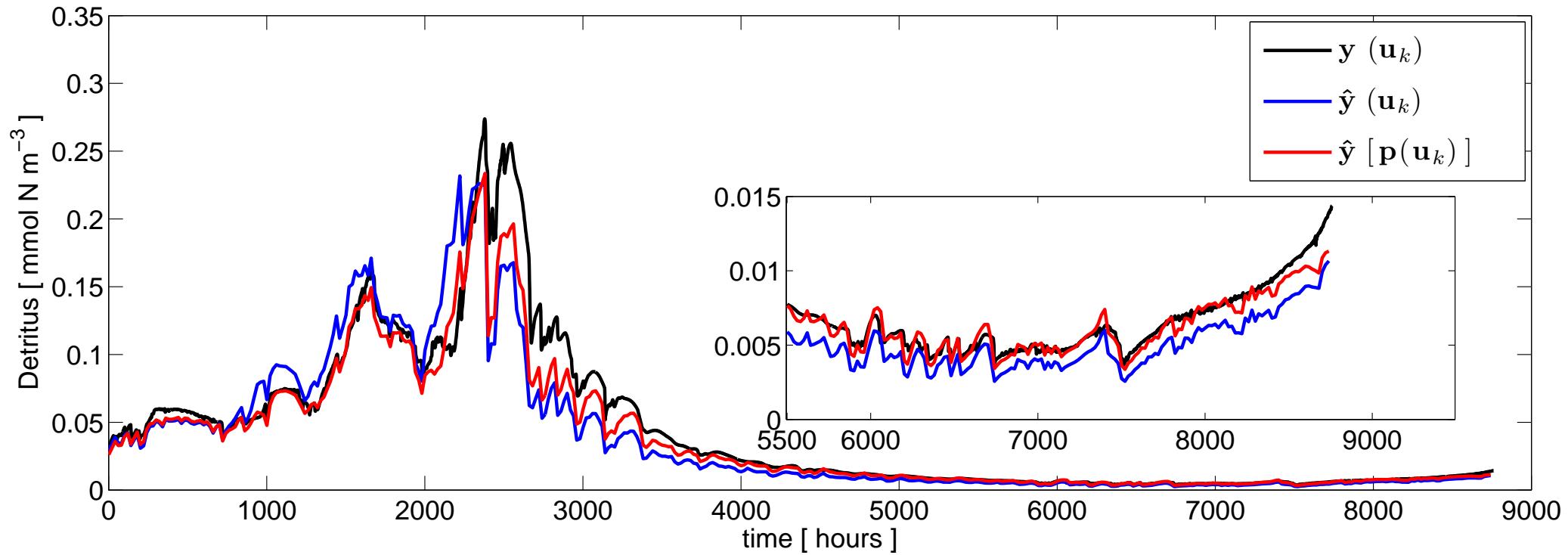
$$\|B_m^{\text{diff}}\| \leq 1 , \quad \|B^{\text{adv}}\| \leq 1 , \quad \|L_m^Q\| \leq 1 . \quad (2)$$



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# Mapped Coarse Model

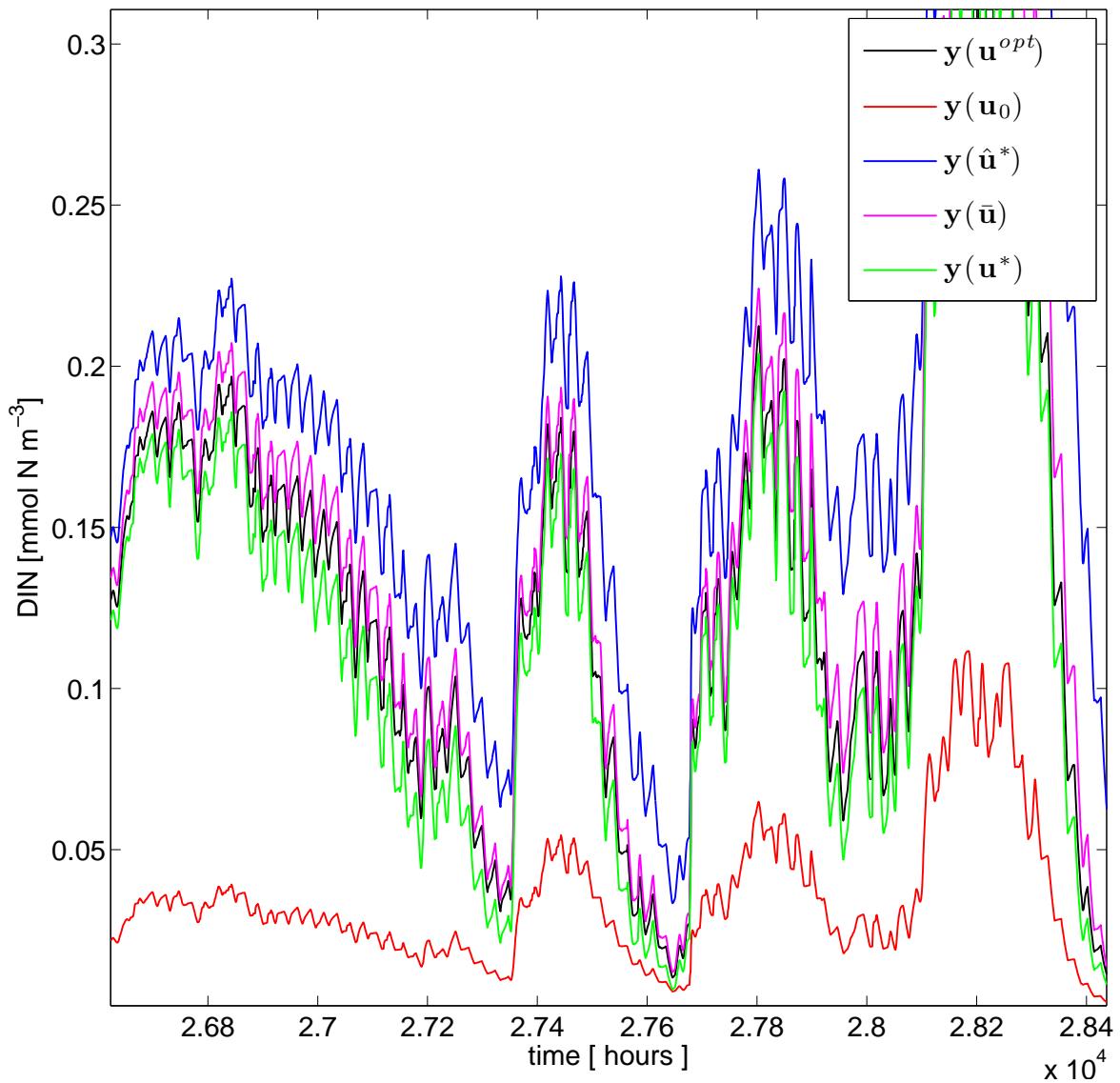


Obviously surrogate's 1st order information corresponds

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_k(\mathbf{u}_k) = \hat{\mathbf{y}}[\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_k)] \simeq \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_k)$$

# ASM vs Direct Optimization

iterate $\mathbf{u}_k$		$\min J$	$\min \hat{J}$
$\mathbf{u}_0$	$J_0$	$4.31e - 02$	$4.31e - 02$
	$\delta\mathbf{u}_k$	$1.92e + 00$	$1.92e + 00$
$\hat{\mathbf{u}}^*$	$J$	-	$1.56e - 03$
	$J/J_0$	-	$3.61e - 02$
	$\delta\mathbf{u}_k$	-	$8.17e - 01$
$\mathbf{u}^*, \bar{\mathbf{u}}$	$J$	$3.29e - 05$	$3.73e - 04$
	$J/J_0$	$7.63e - 04$	$8.65e - 03$
	$\delta\mathbf{u}_k$	$4.75e - 01$	$5.42e - 01$
	time	4215 s	1851.4 s
	# iter.	27	$38 (33 + 5)$



$$\delta\mathbf{u}_k := \|\mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u}^{\text{opt}}\|_{\text{rel}}, \quad J =: J(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{u}), \quad \hat{J} =: J(\hat{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{u})$$

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- E.g. improve prediction of the CO<sub>2</sub> uptake of the ocean
  - ↪ Optimization of transport + ocean models
- Surrogate approach: Seek for a **reduction in total # of high-fidelity model evaluations and derivatives** in particular for more time-consuming 3-D models
- A **coarser discretized** model can be used as a basis to create a surrogate (mostly easy to implement)
- Numerical Stability issues **might** place significant limitations
  - ↪ **Preanalysis** indispensable !
- **ASM** : This basic approach of **SM Optimization** already yields a reasonable solution and reduction in total optimization cost



Thank you for your attention



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