# Implementing TheoryWaves as a CESM Component

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Theory Waves (Li et al, 2016, 2017)

- Approximation of Langmuir turbulence enhancement factor (ε) based on Stokes drift profile from an empirical wave spectrum
- Reproduces much of the effect of Langmuir mixing at a fraction of the computational cost of prognostic wave models
- Wind-sea only (no swell)
- Input:  $U_{10}$ ,  $\tau_a$ , and  $H_{\rm BL}$
- Output:  $\varepsilon$ ,  $u^{s}_{SL}$ ,  $La_{SL}$ ,  $v^{s}$ ,  $k_{Phil}$ ,  $h_{mo}$ ,  $f_{p}$ ,  $f_{m}$



#### Summer Mean MLD (m)



 $u_0^{\rm S} \approx 0.016 U_{10}$ ,  $V^{\rm S} \approx 2.67 \times 10^{-5} g U_{10}^3$  $k_{\rm p} pprox 0.176 rac{u_0^{\rm S}}{V^{\rm S}},$  $k_{\rm p}^* = 2.56k_{\rm p},$  $H_{\rm SI} = H_{\rm BI}/5$  $T_1(k,z)=\mathrm{e}^{2kz},$  $T_2(k,z) = \sqrt{2\pi k|z|} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\sqrt{2k|z|}\right),$ 

Li, Q., Fox-Kemper, B., Breivik, Ø., Webb, A., 2017. Statistical models of global Langmuir mixing. Ocean Model. 113, 95-114.

$$\begin{split} u_{\rm SL}^{\rm S} &\approx u_0^{\rm S} \bigg\{ 0.715 \\ &+ \bigg( \frac{0.151}{k_{\rm p} H_{\rm SL}} - 0.840 \bigg) [1 - T_1(k_{\rm p}, H_{\rm SL})] \\ &- \bigg( 0.840 + \frac{0.0591}{k_{\rm p} H_{\rm SL}} \bigg) T_2(k_{\rm p}, H_{\rm SL}) \\ &+ \bigg( \frac{0.0632}{k_{\rm p}^* H_{\rm SL}} + 0.125 \bigg) \Big[ 1 - T_1(k_{\rm p}^*, H_{\rm SL}) \Big] \\ &+ \bigg( 0.125 + \frac{0.0946}{k_{\rm p}^* H_{\rm SL}} \bigg) T_2(k_{\rm p}^*, H_{\rm SL}) \bigg\}, \end{split}$$

$$La_{\rm SL} = \sqrt{\frac{u^*}{u_{\rm SL}^{\rm S}}}, \\ \mathcal{E} &= \sqrt{1 + (1.5La_{\rm SL})^{-2} + (5.4La_{\rm SL})^{-4}}. \end{split}$$

#### **Current status:**

- Implemented locally as a drop-in replacement for WaveWatch III using cesm2\_3\_alpha17a
  - main\_0.0.13 tag of WW3\_interface
  - dev/unified\_0.0.10 tag of WW3
- Works with with WD compsets (GMOM\_JRA\_WD)
- Works with TL319\_t061\_wt061 grid

#### Goals:

Short-term:

Have TheoryWaves available for use with CMIP7 (CESM3.0? CESM3.1?)

Long-term:

Fully interchangeable wave model components (TheoryWaves, WW3, PiCLES)

• standardize output from wave models through NUOPC

### **Questions:**

Short-term:

- Which CESM release to target for TheoryWaves?
- What release tags should be targeted to insure compatibility?
- What are the requirements for addition to CESM?
  - compsets / grids
  - testing required?
    - test scenarios (1 JRA cycle? No waves vs. WW3 vs. TheoryWaves?)
    - what parameters should be used for evaluation?
- What should the process be (steps, timeline) for making TheoryWaves available?