Incorporating the Framework for Aquatic Biogeochemical Models (FABM) into the ocean modelling framework NEMO v4.2.1

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# Introduction

- Most Copernicus Marine MFCs rely on NEMO for physical modelling
- BGC models vary due to regional requirements
- Updating either the physical model or the BGC model can be challenging if they are online-coupled
- FABM "acts as match maker between […] hydrodynamic and biogeochemical models" (https://github.com/fabm-model/fabm/wiki)





### What does what?

#### NEMO

- Time integration
- Advection
- Mixing
- Data assimilation
- I/O

#### **FABM**

- links physics with FABM standard variables
- Manages models:
- Calculates "reaction part" of tracer advection-diffusionreaction equation
- Links verticalmovement of tracers

#### **BGC Model(s)**

- Computes BGC processes
- Returns local sink and source terms
- Provides local sinking and floating





# Starting ground

The Marine Systems Modelling group at the Plymouth Marine Laboratory (PML) has already successfully coupled NEMO v4.0.0 with FABM:

https://github.com/pmImodelling/ NEMO4.0-FABM/



https://github.com/pmlmodelling/NEMO4.0-FABM/wiki/TOP

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## NEMO v4.2.1

#### NEMO v4.0.0 → v4.2.1

- No more need for I/O routines in TOP
- Modified loop ranges (due to introduction of DO LOOP macro)
- Changes in main array dimensions (introduction of **time-level** indices)

-	DO ji=fs_2,fs_jpim1
-	tr <mark>a</mark> (ji,jj,1,jp_fabm_m1+jn) = tr <mark>a</mark> (ji,jj,1,jp_fabm_m1+jn) + flux(ji,jn)/e3t <mark>_n</mark> (ji,jj,1)
+	DO ji=ntsi,ntei
+	tr(ji,jj,1,jp_fabm_m1+jn <mark>, Krhs</mark> ) = tr(ji,jj,1,jp_fabm_m1+jn <mark>, Krhs</mark> ) + flux(ji,jn)/e3t(ji,jj,1, Kmm)





# **BAL MFC Analysis and Forecast**

- New BAL MFC BGC analysis and forecast is based on NEMO v4.2.1 + FABM + ERGOM system
  - Update of both NEMO and ERGOM in one system upgrade
- Anoxic conditions in bottom layers are well represented





### Relevance

- Facilitates upgrade of BAL (and other) MFC modelling systems
  - NEMO and ERGOM can be independently updated
  - Different behaviour of various BGC models can easily be tested
- NEMO-FABM setup will be used within NECCTON to include and combine various models, e.g. additional higher trophic level models







# Summary

- NEMOv4.2.1 has been updated to include FABM
- NEMOv4.21 + FABM + ERGOM forms the basis for the new BAL MFC BGC analysis and forecast
- Currently available within the Nemo-Nordic setup to be published on zenodo soon







### Thank you for your attention

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