## ECCO Python Tutorials in the Cloud

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Spatial distribution at z=5 m of salinity budget components in May 2001


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## ECCO Python Tutorials

- Tutorials website to provide oceanographers with demos and code for ECCO analysis
- Started by Ian Fenty a few years ago, with contributions from many others
- Comprised mostly of Jupyter notebooks that can be downloaded or git cloned to user's machine
- https://ecco-v4-python-tutorial.readthedocs.io
- The tutorials are also linked from the https://www.ecco-group.org website under Products $\rightarrow$ Analysis Tools

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Welcome to the ECCO Version 4 Tutorial
This website contains a set of tutorials about how to use the ECCO Central Production Version 4 (ECCO v4) global ocean and sea-ice state estimate. The tutorials were written in Python and make use of the ecco_v4_py Python library, a library written specifically for loading, plotting, and analyzing ECCO v4 state estimate fields.

Additional Resources
The ECCO v4 state estimate is the output of a free-running simulation of a global ca. 1-degree configuration of the MITgcm. Prior to public release, the model output files model are assembled into NetCDF files. If you would like to work directly with the flat binary "MDS" files provided by the model then take a look at the xmitgcm Python package. The $\times g \mathrm{~cm}$ Python package provides tools for operating on model output fields loaded with xmitgcm. If you wish to analyze the MITgcm model output using Matlab then we recommend the gcmfaces toolbox.
The ecco_v4_py package used in this tutorial was inspired by the xmitgcm package and gcmfaces toolboxes.

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MHT tutorial credit: Timothy Smith

## ECCO Python Tutorials: updates as of March 2024

- A release last year (May 2023) updated all of the tutorials for ECCOv4 release 4, accessed through PO.DAAC
- All tutorials have the NASA Earthdata ShortNames of the datasets needed to run them listed at the beginning, with ecco_download.py module assisting with downloads to user's local machine
- Intro to PO Tutorials illustrate fundamental PO concepts with ECCO; 3 on the website with more planned
- Have you done something with ECCO that is fun, interesting, and/or useful to students/educators? We'll help you adapt it into a tutorial!
- Recently added Python tutorials on:
- Downloading spatial/temporal/variable subsets of ECCO datasets using OPeNDAP
- Computing gradients (e.g., relative vorticity, wind stress curl) on the ECCO native grid



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Now consider the case where a user does computations in the cloud, on their own "instance"

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- Goal here is to "de-mist-ify" the cloud a bit, and to show how we are setting up the ECCO Python tutorials to run in the cloud (these can also be used to inform your own codes/workflows)


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ERead the Docs memory constraints of a free-tier t2.micro instance.

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## Running a tutorial on an AWS Cloud instance

- Sample calculation: ECCOv4r4 global mean ocean temperature (full depth) for 12 months in 2010
- Downloading the files needed to my laptop for this calculation took 3 minutes (on hotel wi-fi), versus...



## Final remarks/thoughts

- A short snippet of code is being added to each of the tutorials to enable users to access ECCO output and run tutorials on the AWS Cloud
- Powered by the ecco_s3_retrieve.py module (analogous to ecco_download.py, but for in-cloud access)

```
ShortNames_list = ["ECCO_L4_TEMP_SALINITY_LLC0日90GRID_MONTHLY_V4R4",\
    "ECCO_L4_GEOMETRY_LLCOO9OGRID_V4R4"]
## download files to instance (only if download size is less than available storage threshold from max_avail_frac)
retrieved_files = ecco_podaac_s3_get_diskaware(ShortNames=ShortNames_list,\
    max_avail_frac=0.5,n_workers=2)
## open files in workspace
ds = xr.open_mfdataset(retrieved_files[ShortNames_list[0]],\
    data_vars='minimal', coords='minimal',\
    l}\begin{array}{l}{\mathrm{ compat='override',\}}\\{\mathrm{ chunks={'time':1,'k':10,'tile':13,'j':90,'i':90})}}
ds_grid = xr.open_mfdataset(retrieved_files[ShortNames_list[1]],chunks={'k':10,'tile':13,'j':90,'i':90})
```

- AWS Cloud instances can be run for free (for 12 months) but to run code successfully, it needs to be designed in a way to minimize memory footprint (e.g., using dask chunking, "lazy" computations)
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