

# Assessing the Vertical Solution Algorithm in ECOM/POM

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# Objectives

- 1. Assessing the Stability of Vertical Solution Algorithm in ECOM
- 2. Assessing the Limitation on Vertical Solution Algorithm of ECOM
- 3. Suggest a surrogate accuracy criterion for vertical mixing algorithm, which is 
$$\frac{K_H \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

# ECOM vertical mixing algorithm

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( K_H \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + \text{advection}, 0 \leq z \leq H, t > 0$$

$$\frac{T_k^{n+1} - T_k^{n-1}}{\Delta t} = K_{H_{k-1/2}} \frac{T_{k-1}^{n+1} - T_k^{n+1}}{\Delta z^2} - K_{H_{k+1/2}} \frac{T_k^{n+1} - T_{k+1}^{n+1}}{\Delta z^2} + \text{adv}^{n-1} \quad (1)$$

$$-K_{H_{k-1/2}} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z^2} T_{k-1}^{n+1} + \left( K_{H_{k-1/2}} \frac{2\Delta t}{\Delta z^2} + K_{H_{k+1/2}} \frac{2\Delta t}{\Delta z^2} + 1 \right) T_k^{n+1} - K_{H_{k+1/2}} \frac{2\Delta t}{\Delta z^2} T_{k+1}^{n+1} = T_k^{n-1} + \text{Adv}^{n-1}$$

$$a_k = -K_{H_{k-1/2}} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z^2}; c_k = -K_{H_{k+1/2}} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z^2}; b_k = a_k + c_k - 1$$

(1)turn..in..to(2)

$$-a_k T_{k-1}^{n+1} + b_k T_k^{n+1} - c_k T_{k+1}^{n+1} = -T_k^{n-1} + \text{Adv}^{n-1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 & c_1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & a_{kb-1} & b_{kb-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T_1 \\ \vdots \\ T_{kb-1} \end{pmatrix}^{n+1} = - \begin{pmatrix} T_1 \\ \vdots \\ T_{kb-1} \end{pmatrix}^{n-1}$$

Applying..Thomas..Algorithm

$$c'_k = \begin{cases} c_1; k=1 \\ b_1 \\ \frac{c_k}{b_k - c'_{k-1} a_k}; k=2,3,..kb-1 \end{cases} \dots d'_k = \begin{cases} d_1; k=1 \\ b_1 \\ \frac{d_k - d'_{i-1} a_k}{b_k - c'_{k-1} a_k}; k=2,3,..kb-1 \end{cases}$$

$$T_{kb-1} = d'_{kb-1}; T_k = d'_k - c'_k T_{k+1}$$

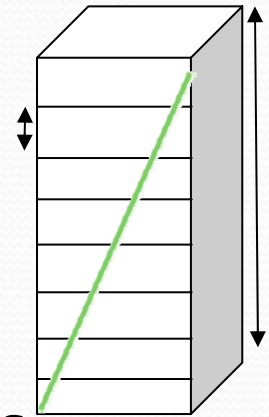
# Method

- 1. A simplified heat equation with Newman Boundary Condition is solved by ECOM in a 1D vertical model.

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( K_H \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right), 0 \leq z \leq H, t > 0$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \Big|_{z=0} = 0; \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \Big|_{z=H} = 0$$

$$T(z, 0) = f(z)$$



- 2. An Analytic Solution of the heat equation is computed via Fourier Method
- 3. The modeled and analytic solution is compared and analyzed.

# Analytic Algorithm

- Applying Separate Variables and Fourier Series

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( K_H \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right), -H \leq z \leq 0, t > 0$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \Big|_{z=0} = 0; \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \Big|_{z=-H} = 0$$

$$T(z, 0) = f(z)$$

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$$T(z, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} D_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi z}{H}\right) e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi K_H t}{H^2}} + a_0$$

$$a_0 = \int_{-H}^0 f(z) dz$$

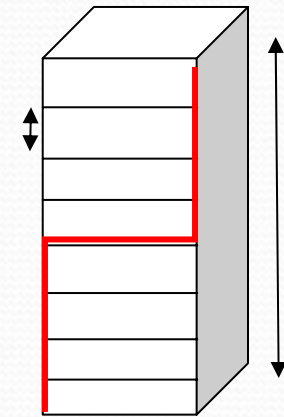
$$D_n = \frac{2}{-H} \int_0^{-H} f(z) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi z}{H}\right) dz = \frac{2}{H} \int_{-H}^0 f(z) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi z}{H}\right) dz$$

# Experiment I

- Model Setup

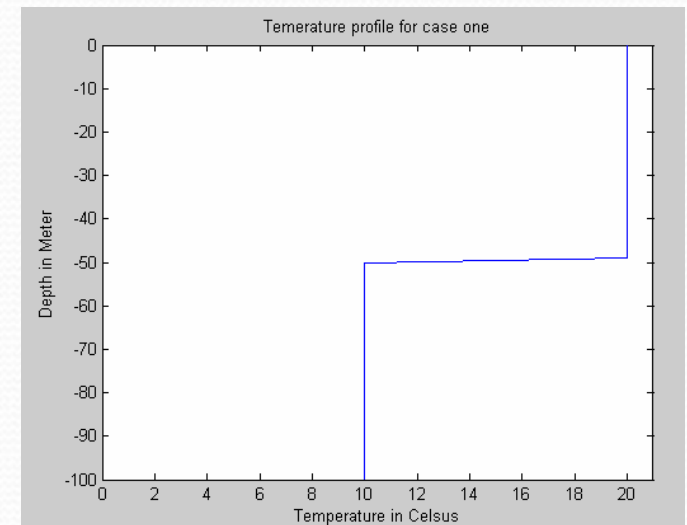
$H=100\text{m}$ , sigma layer#=100;  $K_H=0.01 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

Time Step  $\Delta t = 50\text{sec}$

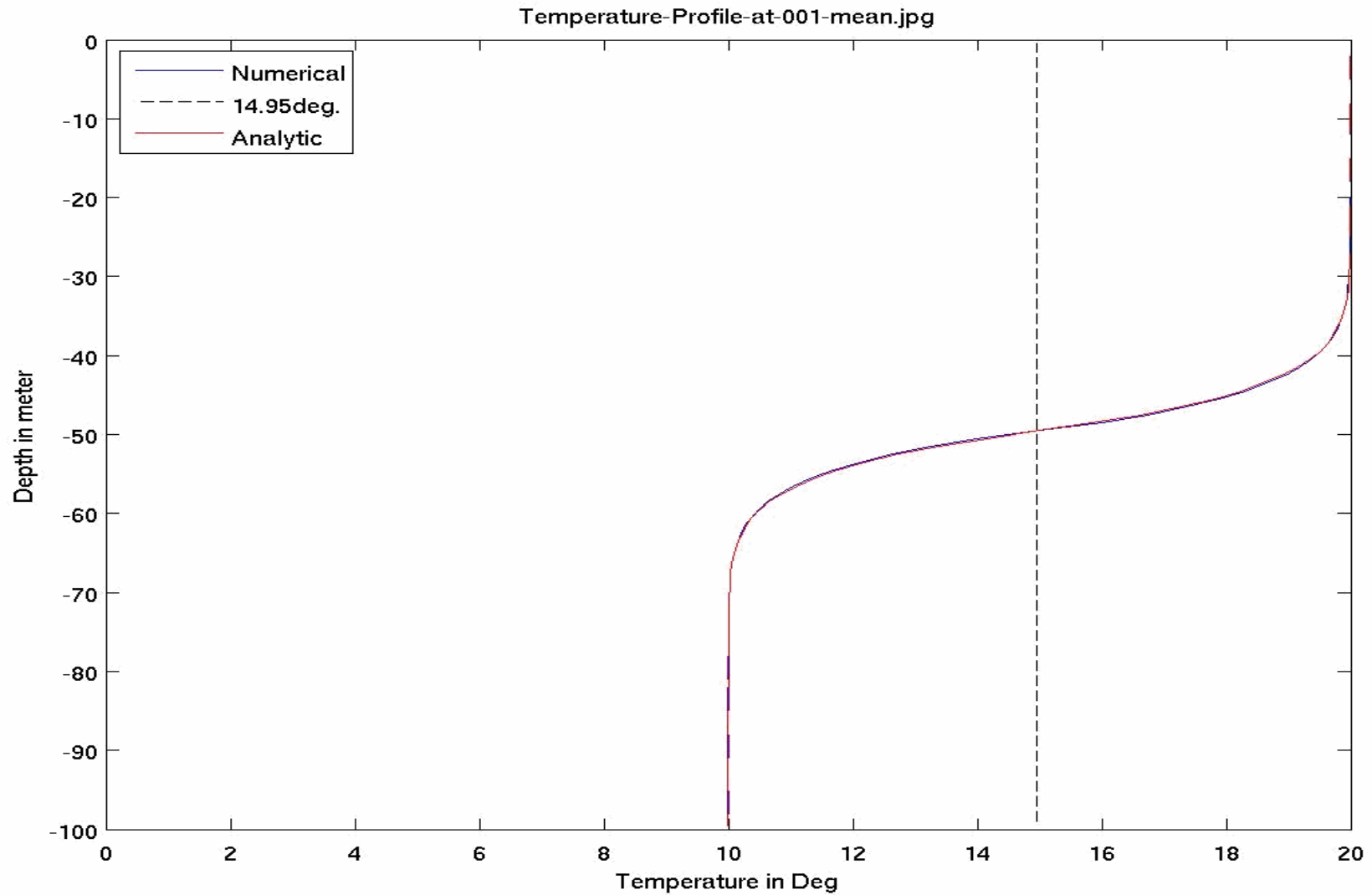


## Initial Temperature Profile

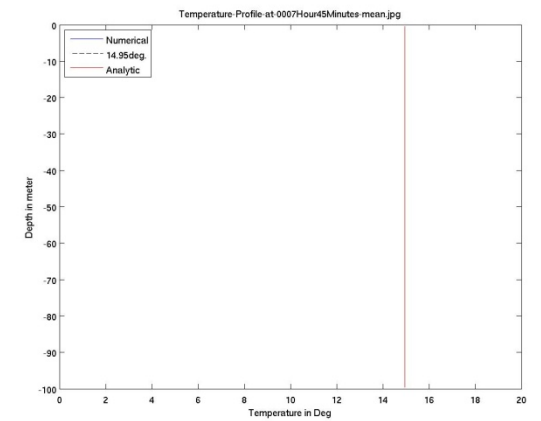
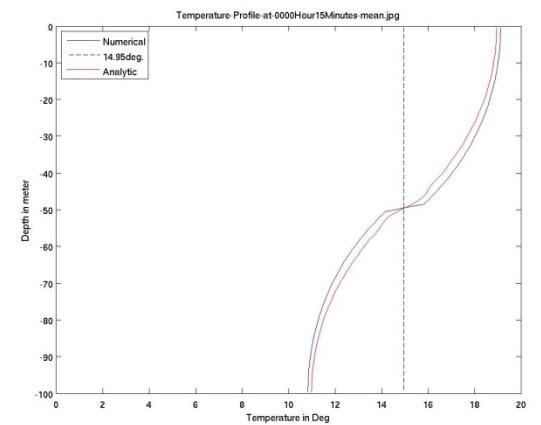
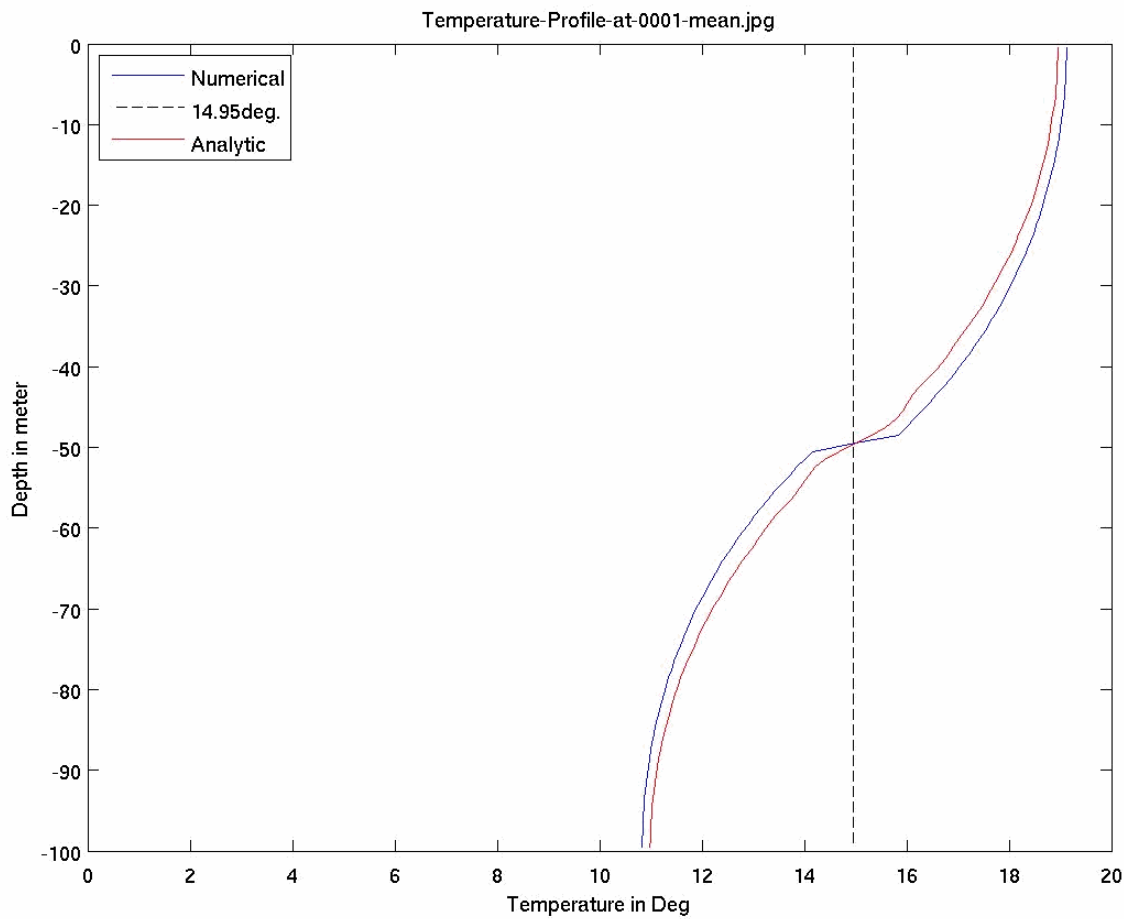
$$f(z) = \begin{cases} 20, & \text{when } -50 < z \leq 0 \\ 10, & \text{when } -100 < z \leq -50 \end{cases}$$



# Results—Comparison between modeled and analytic

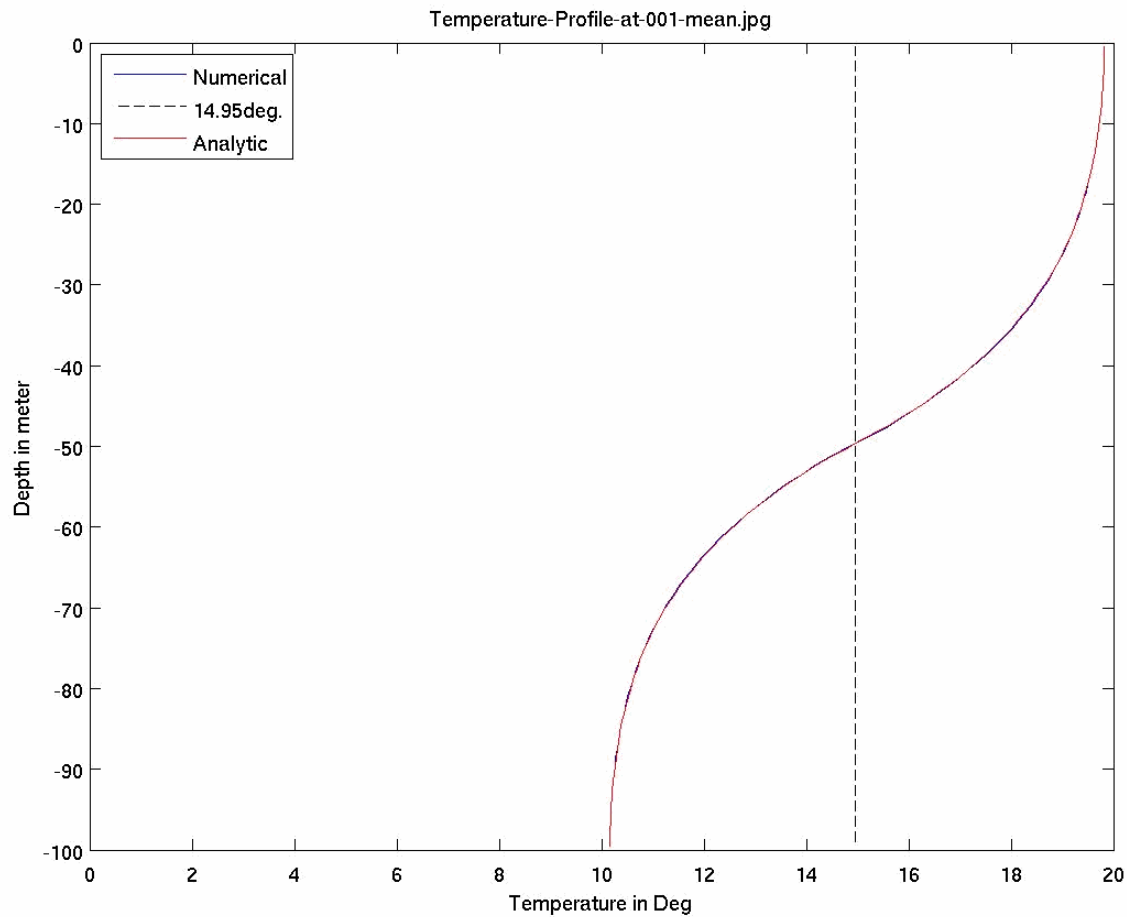


# When $K_H$ is Changed to $1\text{m}^2/\text{s}$





# How to fix it?



$K_H=1 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$   
 $Dt=0.5 \text{ second}$

# Accuracy Criterion $\frac{K_H \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$

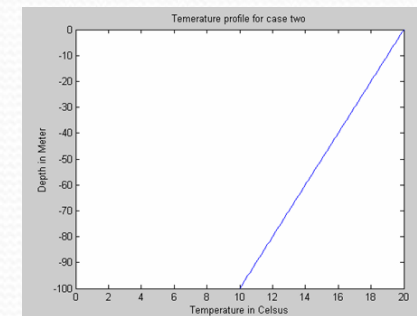
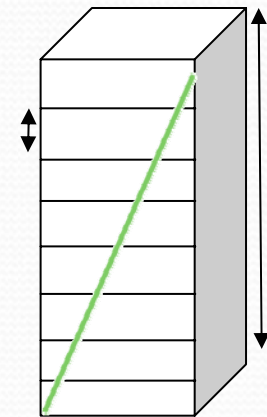
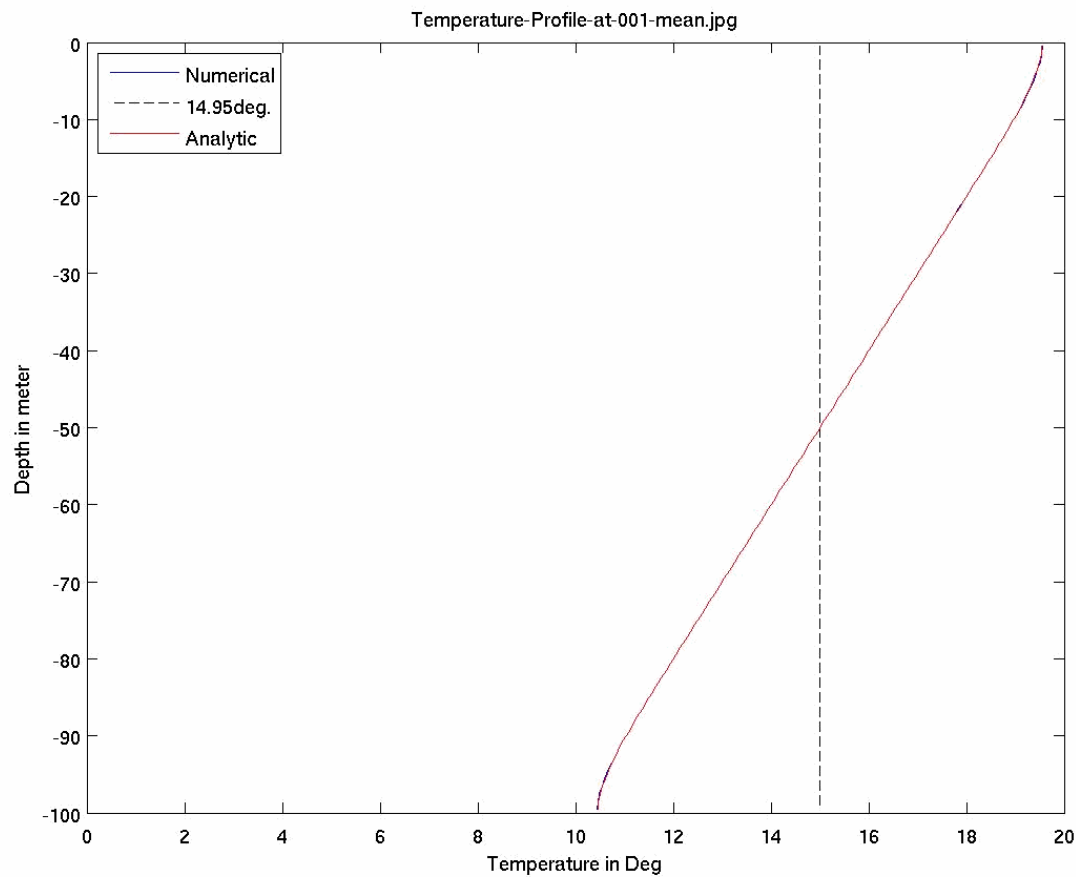
- Case I.  $\frac{K_H \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} = \frac{0.01 m^2 s^{-1} 50 \text{ sec}}{(1m)^2} = \frac{1}{2}$
- Case II.  $\frac{K_H \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} = \frac{1 m^2 s^{-1} 50 \text{ sec}}{(1m)^2} = 50$

# Case Sensitive?-- No

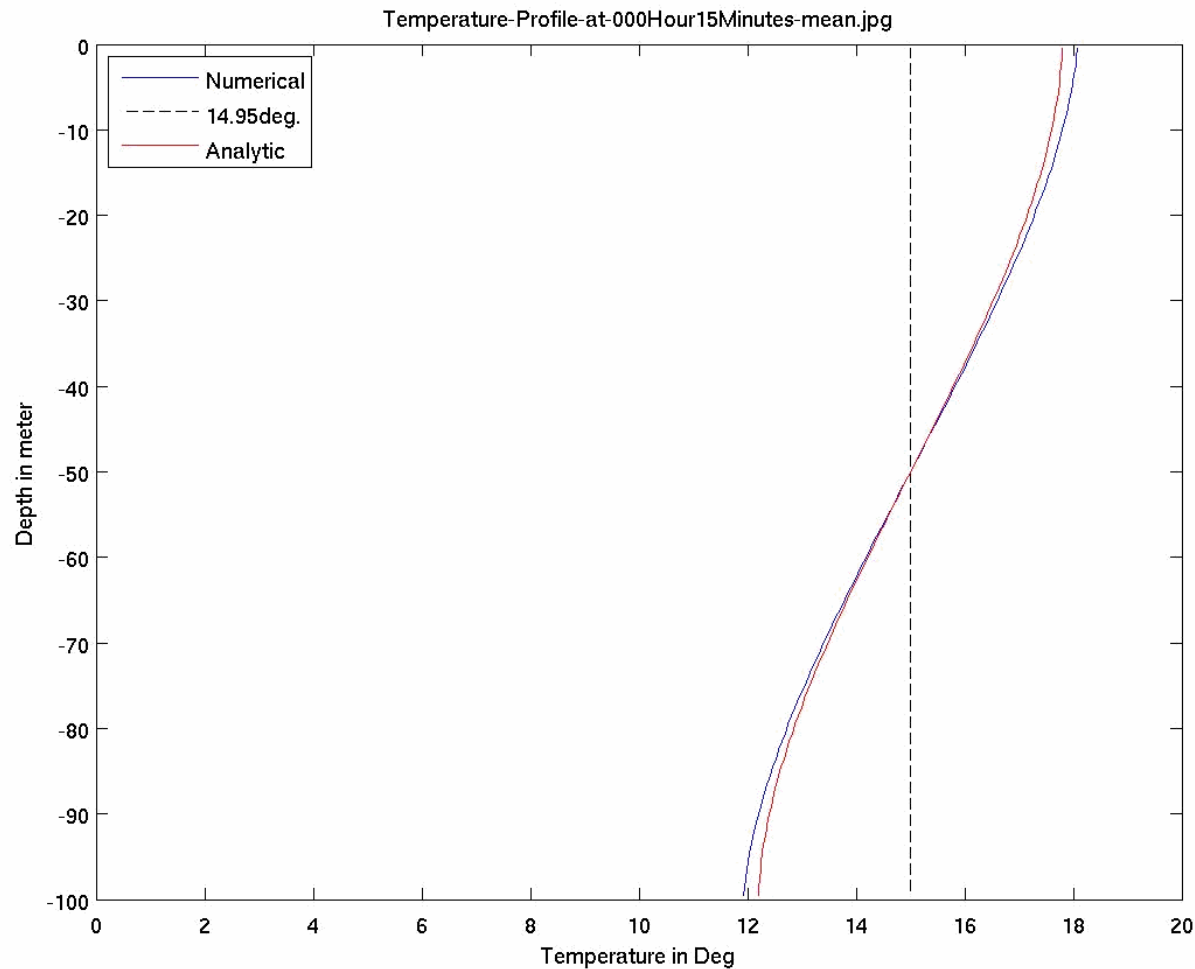
$$\frac{K_H \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} = \frac{1 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1} 0.5 \text{ sec}}{(1 \text{ m})^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$K_H = 1 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

$$Dt = 0.5 \text{ second}$$



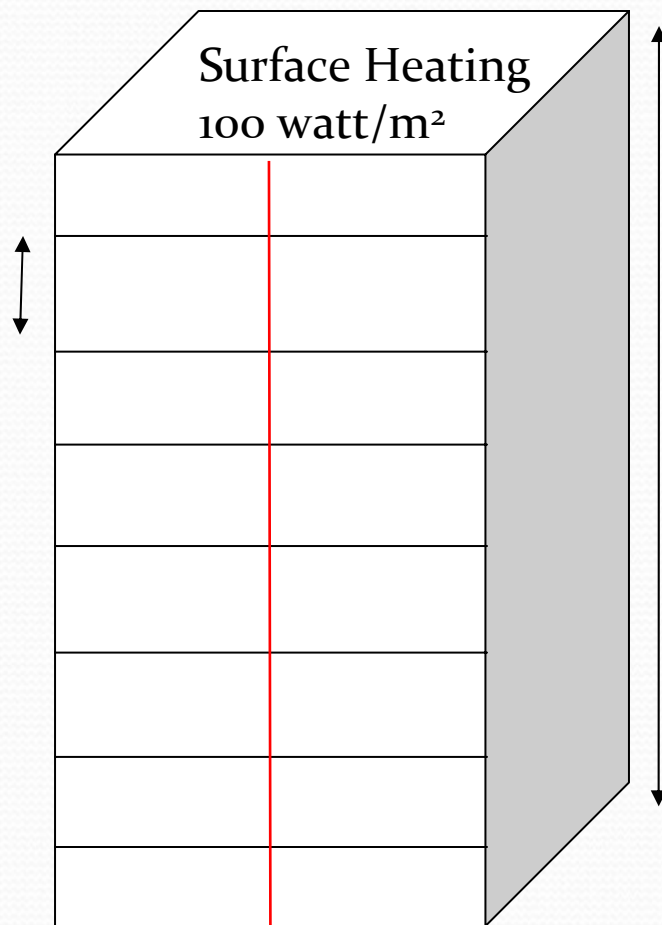
# Time Step is Changed to 60 sec



$$K_H = 1 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$
$$Dt = 60 \text{ second}$$

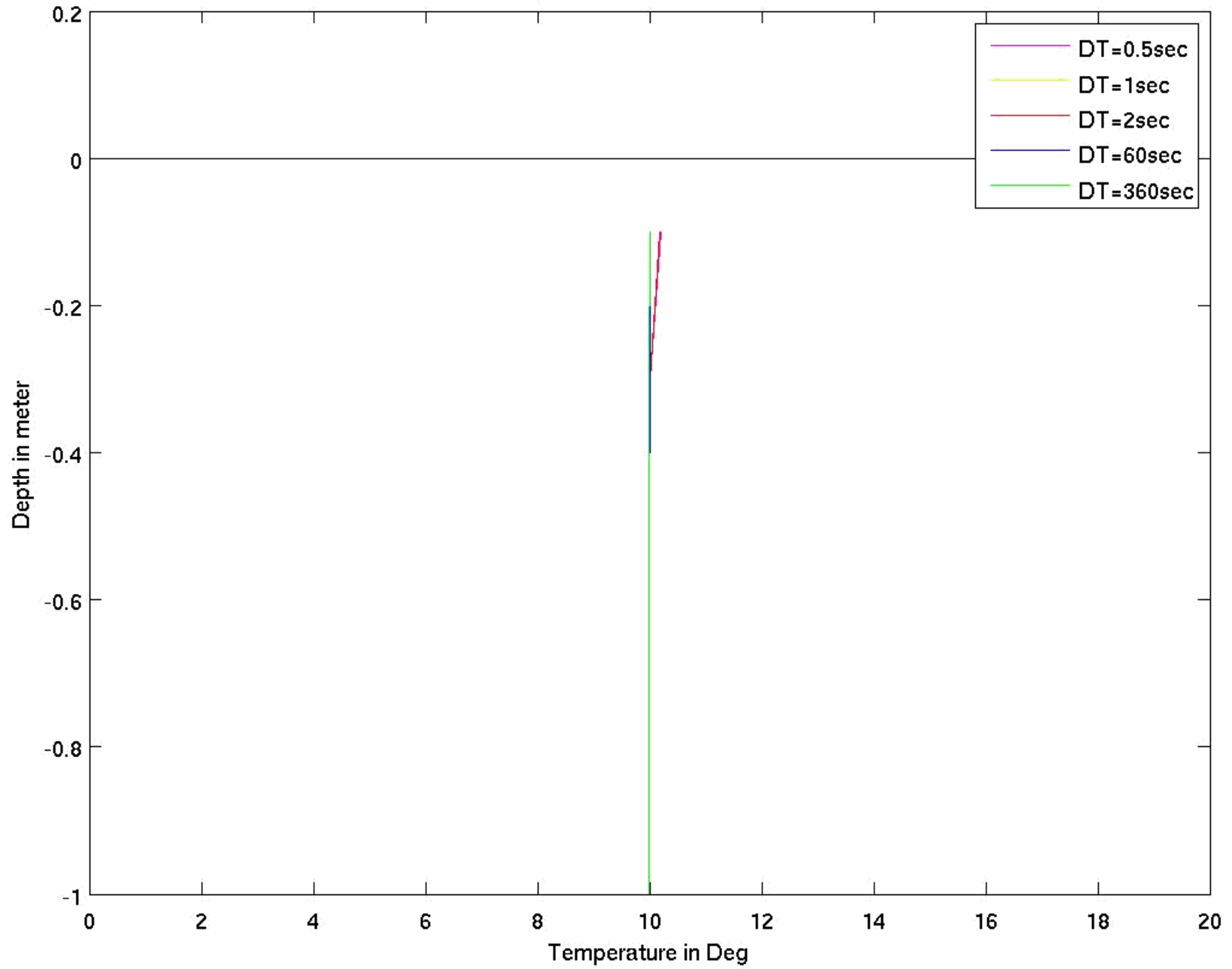
$$\frac{K_H \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} = \frac{1 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1} 60 \text{ sec}}{(1 \text{ m})^2} = 60$$

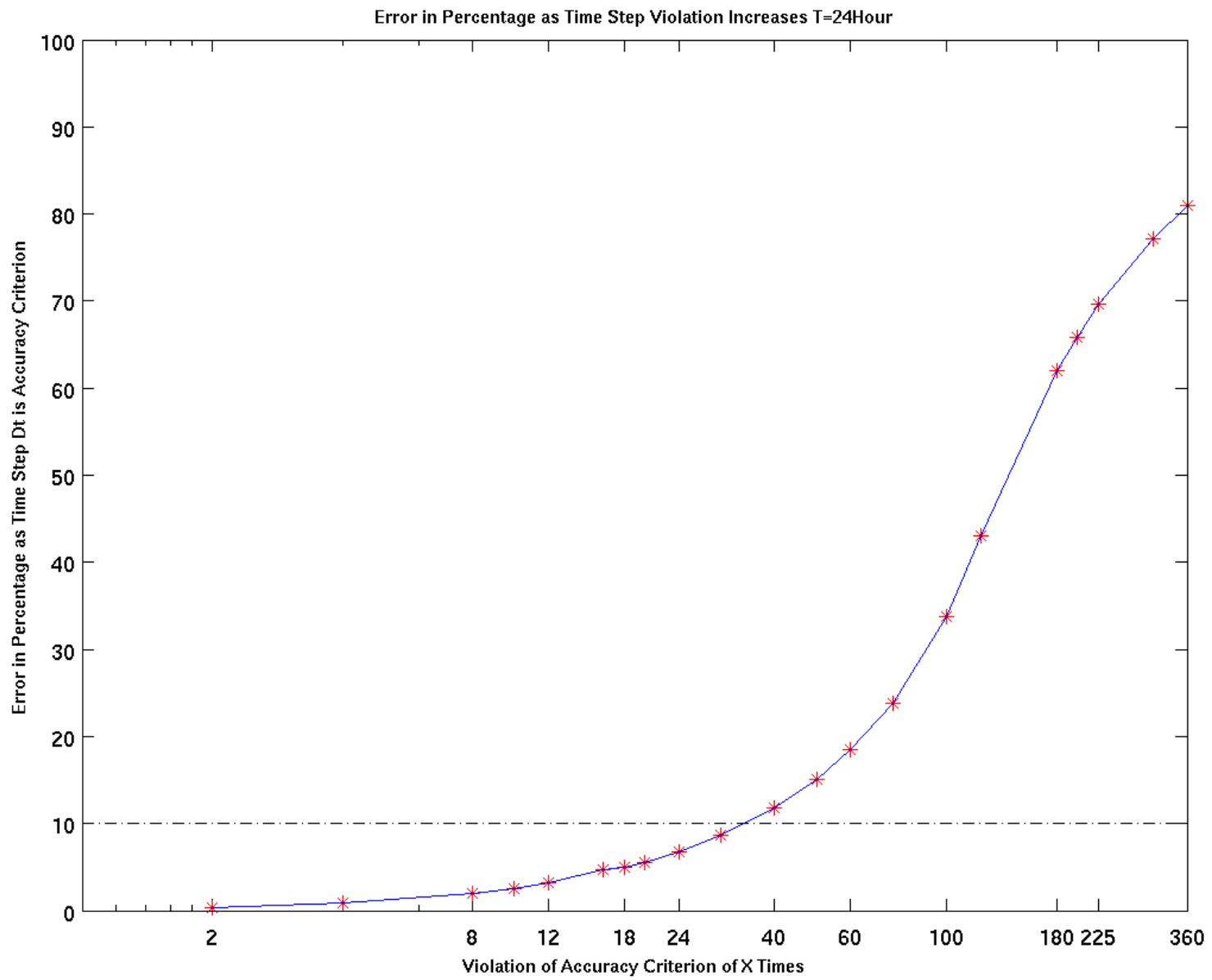
# Heating on Surface



$$K_H = 0.01 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$
$$T(z) = 10 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

Temperature Profile at001 hour





# Conclusion

- 1. The Vertical Mixing Algorithm in ECOM/POM is ROBUST and STABLE.
- 2. However, there is Accuracy Limitation with regarding to this Algorithm
- 3.  $\frac{K_H \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$  can work as a surrogate for vertical mixing stability criterion.
- 4. When this criterion is violated greater than 30 times, the accuracy problem becomes apparent.





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