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Posted by [Bill Williamson](#) on Tue, 15 Feb 2005 17:31:16 GMT

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Bye,  
Bill

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Subject: Re: Potential Vorticity

Posted by [wmconnolley](#) on Sat, 19 Feb 2005 10:51:53 GMT

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Bill Williamson <bilwil@gmail.com> wrote:

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Bill knows this, cos he ailed me, but I have some stuff that may be useful at:

<http://www.antarctica.ac.uk/met/wmc/idl/sfvp/>

Which is essentially wrappers for SPHEREPACK.

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