

ALARO

ALARO-0 Status of developments

Plan of Lecture

Some basic definitions (short recall) Concept **Content of ALARO-0** □ New developments DDH tool: new budgets available 3MT scheme Practical issues How to run ALARO-0 Operational experiences Further (diversified?) R&D

Basic definitions: concept

ALARO is a concept of development for the model of NWP systems, building on the IFS/ARPEGE/ALADIN tradition:

Modularity (ex. microphysics)

- Flexibility
- Generality (ex. interface DDH)
- Care for Numerical, Algorithmic and Efficiency issues

Operational continuity: multi-scale

Basic definitions: content of ALARO-0 (1)

 Equations and interface: valid for both HPE and NH case (CPTEND_NEW)
 Processes: toward complex, prognostic schemes when possible, staying CPU cheap, efficient, while improving the model skills

Multi-scale issues: mastering the socalled grey-zone problems

Basic definitions: content of ALARO-0 (2)

DynamicsSLHD, NH

Physics

- New interface (governing equations)
- Radiation: NER scheme; cloud optical properties
- Turbulence: pseudo-prognostic TKE
- Mountains: new GWD and lift scheme
- Moist processes:
 - Full prognostic microphysics
 - 3MT cascade
 - Prognostic convection
 - Historic entrainment
- SURFEX

Developments of diagnostics (spring 2007)

- Governing equations: streamlining of fluxes and pseudo-fluxes definition
- Flux-form of the interface: easy extension of the existing DDH tool to new equations
- Budgets of new moist variables: ql, qi, qr, qs
- New contributions to the budgets of temperature, re-organization of the water vapor budget
- DDH is an important tool for development, tuning, detection of problems

Budgets: prognostic microphysics





Budgets - example of tuning: difference of budgets between experiments



Prognostic Microphysics: modularity (1)

Sedimentation computation:

- PDF P0: spectrum of fall speeds;
- Ensuing probabilities P1 (drops present in the layer), P2 (drops coming from above), P3 (source/sink);
- Two sets of expressions are coded in APLMPHYS:
 - Statistical one;
 - Step function one (mimic of pure Lagrangian sedimentation scheme).

Sedimentation options in results:



Prognostic Microphysics modularity (2)

- □ APLMPHYS organization:
 - 1 vertical loop (thanks to the sedimentation solution)
 - Individual routines per process called inside the vertical loop:
 ACACON (auto-conversion)
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 - ACCOLL (collection)
 - ACEVMEL (evaporation/melting)
 - Each 'process' routine may contain options (currently coded: ALARO-0, ARPEGE)
 - Cloud geometry categories (cloudy seeded, cloudy nonseeded, clear seeded, clear non seeded), all still likely to generate precipitation fluxes
 - Cloudy & seeded part vertical overlap options (random and maximum-random, alike in radiation) => important for convection







Modular **Multi-scale Microphysics and** ransport



3MT



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3MT: goals

Simulation of water cycle with results as independent as possible from Δx => grey zone challenge.
 Introduction of 'memory' for the convective activity.
 Use of advanced microphysics for the treatment of convective condensation.

3MT: Means

Cascade approach with one unique (total) source of condensation for microphysics. Prognostic equations for mass-flux, condensates and precipitating species. □ Taking into account cloud & precipitation geometry in microphysical computations. Catalyser: M-T approach for convective equations => entrainment (diagnostic now, prognostic later) at the heart.



Without 3MT

With 3MT





Change of the entrainment rate: Without 3MT

Change of the entrainment rate: With 3MT





Change of the entrainment rate: Without 3MT

Change of the entrainment rate: With 3MT -A--ref

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Practical issues

□ How to run ALARO-0

- With the 'old' ISBA surface scheme: there is no difference with the classical ALADIN (namelist options only)
- Libraries:
 - CY32T1-export (ALARO-0 without 3MT)
 - CY32T3: ALARO-0; including DDH and research 3MT (small bugfixes and cleanings still to come)
- With SURFEX: new preparation of the surface files (hopefully soon)

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12h UT network

Reduction of Mean Absolute Error in precipitation forecast compared to INCA analysis



Heidke skill score: 600 stations over Slovakia, 24h accumulated rainfall

Experiences with ALARO-0 (3) Slovenia (without 3MT)



Experiences with ALARO-0 (4) Czech Republic



Future R & D avenues

- Turbulence: We can emulate the CBR scheme science while keeping the anti-fibrillation and shallow convection in the prognostic framework;
- Moist physics: Interplay between microphysics and entrainment rate;
- □ Modularization of the algorithms:
 - Already achieved for microphysics;
 - Planned for radiation (intermittency issue), turbulence (putting a solver in the heart of computations), convection (separating ascent, closure, M-T, etc.)
 - Within HARMONIE, can we agree on the strategy of separation between the science of processes (cf. ACEVMEL) and algorithmic framework streamlining (cf. APLMPHYS) ?



Thank you for your attention

Questions welcome now or later in the week