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Local exploitation of e923

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Preparing climatological files for ALADIN model

- **interpolates information from global fields into chosen limited area**
- **everywhere on the Earth**
- **write out predefined 2D fields**

Climatological 2D fields:

- Constants describing orography
- Constants describing surface, soil, vegetation – monthly dependent
- Monthly climatological values for soil and surface variables (temperature, ...)

e923 – step 1

definition of orography

land(1)/water(0) mask

surface geopotential (grid point)

surface geopotential (spectral)

standard deviation of the orography $\times g$

anisotropy coefficient

direction of principal axis of topography

roughness length of bare surface $\times g$

fraction of land

fraction of urbanization

definition of surface, soil and vegetation characteristics without annual cycle

dominant land use type

bare ground albedo

emissivity

maximum depth of the soil column

percentage of clay

percentage of sand

maximum vegetation fraction

useful depth of the soil column

e923 – step 3

definition of monthly climatological values,
modification of albedo and emissivity
according to the climatology sea-ice limit

climatological surface temperature

climatological deep soil temperature

climatological surface relative moisture
content

climatological deep soil relative moisture
content

empirically estimated equivalent water depth
snow climatology

relaxation values for deep temperature

relaxation values for deep soil moisture

emissivity (monthly) modified over sea only

albedo (monthly) modified over sea only

e923 – step 4

definition/modification of the vegetation and surface characteristics

leaf area index (monthly)

minimum surface resistance (monthly)

thermal roughness length $\times$ g (monthly)

kinetic roughness length $\times$ g (monthly)

global roughness length is changed (adding contributions from vegetation and urbanization)

fraction of vegetation cover (monthly)

albedo (monthly)

e923 – step 5

**modification of fields created by step 2 or 4
over land from high resolution datasets (for
each month)**

using input data in higher resolution

modification of climatological values

**using input data from one-year assimilation
simulation with ARPEGE**

Input files

- 134 files, 1GB
- global,
for step 5 over Europe
for step 1 zoom can be prepared
- delage: ~mrpe603/*
- binary, some also in ascii format

namelists

- **definition of step - NAMMCC**
- **input datasets - NAMCLI**
- **orography in spectral – NAMCLA**
- **grid dimensioning - NAMDIM**
- **domain definition - NEMGEO**
- **ISBA scheme - NAMPHY**

Compilation and runing – portability issues

In general, there should be no major problems:

- **Majority of the problems come from reading of binary files**
 - ↪ **integer*2**
 - ↪ **integer*4**
- **Compiler dependent: some compilers do the automatic promotion of integer and real variables to X bytes, so the special care has to be taken**

How to run e923

- **Input files**
- **File with namelists**
- **Run the master for each step (AL12_04)**
- **Some testing for orography**
 - ↪ **GLOB95 or GTOPT030**
 - ↪ **cost function (Bouteloup or Jerczynski)**
 - ↪ **tuning of cost function parameters**