

*Regional Cooperation for
Limited Area Modeling in Central Europe*



Configuration 903 for LBC files

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Introduction

Limited area models (LAMs) need lateral boundary conditions (LBCs)
Operational NWP LAM needs prognostic LBCs, taken from a global NWP model
Available options are several, but here we focus on LBCs from ARPEGE and IFS.

ARPEGE: 8 km resolution, 105 levels

IFS: 15.4 km resolution, 60 levels

LBCs are on a quadratic grid

Overview of operational LBCs used in LACE

Options for LBCs from IFS

Issues, problems, questions ...



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Input data

We get LBC files from IFS dissemination

We can experiment using IFS data from MARS archive

These are not identical (but should not be very different)

There is no IFS output file, get the data from MARS!

Options that work with some meaningful grid values for HRES (and for EPS too):

current oper octa grid O1280 (O640)

Reduced GG for GP fields N640

Reduced GG for SP fields T1279

Latlon 0.07/0.07 (0.15/0.15)

Full GG F1280 ...

901 works with N grids

903 work with O grids

Use MIR (**mars -m**) for SST (Ulf Andrae), now it **is a default!**



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Current (operational) procedures

From ARPEGE

ARPEGE grid

e927

Lambert grid

From IFS HRES and ENS

IFS octahedral grid

MARS

IFS reduced Gaussian grid

e901

ARPEGE grid

e927

Lambert grid

IFS octahedral grid

MARS

Lat lon grid

gl

Lambert grid
native vertical levels

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Lambert grid



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New procedure for IFS HRES and ENS

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Lat lon grid

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Lambert grid

IFS octahedral grid

e903

Lambert grid



Mars request HRES

```

RET,
  DATE      = $DATE,
  TIME      = $TIME,
  STEP      = $STEP,
  LEVTYPE   = SFC,
  PARAM     =
198.128/235.128/10.228/11.228/12.228/13.228/14.228/238.128/34.128/35.128/36.128/37.128/38.128/148.128/8.228/9.228/129.128/31.
128/7.228/26.128/139.128/170.128/183.128/236.128/39.128/40.128/41.128/42.128/141.128/32.128/33.128/172.128/66.128/67.128,
  CLASS     = OD,
  TYPE      = FC,
  STREAM    = $STREAM,
  EXPVER    = 0001,
  TARGET    = "ICMGG${CNMEXP}+0000[STEP]"

```

Get all needed data on 01280 cubic grid

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RET,
  DATE      = $DATE,
  TIME      = $TIME,
  STEP      = 00,
  LEVTYPE   = SFC,
  PARAM     = 74/163/43/234/173/174/160/161/162/27/28/16/17/18/30/15/29,
  CLASS     = OD,
  TYPE      = AN,
  STREAM    = $STREAM,
  EXPVER    = 0001,
  TARGET    = "ICMGG${CNMEXP}"

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MARS request – surface forecast fields HRES

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8	Sro	Surface runoff	m	FC	0-78	SFC
9	Ssro	Sub-surface runoff	m	FC	0-78	SFC
10	Ws	Wind speed	m/s	FC	0-78	SFC
11	Udvw	U component of divergent wind	m/s	Type	Steps	Lev
12	vdvw	V component of divergent wind	m/s	FC	0-78	SFC
13	urtw	U component of rotational wind	m/s	FC	0-78	SFC
14	vrw	V component of rotational wind	m/s	FC	0-78	SFC
26	Cl	Lake cover	0-1	FC	0-78	SFC
31	Ci	Sea ice fraction	0-1	FC	0-78	SFC
129	Z	Geopotential	m ² /s ²	FC	0-78	SFC
172	Lsm	Land sea mask	0-1	FC	0-78	SFC
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32	Asn	Snow albedo	0-1	FC	0-78	SFC
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35	Istl1	Ice temperature layer 1	K	FC	0-78	SFC
36	Istl2	Ice temperature layer 2	K	FC	0-78	SFC
37	Istl3	Ice temperature layer 3	K	FC	0-78	SFC
38	Istl4	Ice temperature layer 4	K	FC	0-78	SFC
39	Swvl1	Volumetric soil water layer 1	m ³ /m ³	FC	0-78	SFC
40	Swvl2	Volumetric soil water layer 2	m ³ /m ³	FC	0-78	SFC
41	Swvl3	Volumetric soil water layer 3	m ³ /m ³	FC	0-78	SFC
42	Swvl4	Volumetric soil water layer 4	m ³ /m ³	FC	0-78	SFC
66	lai_lv	Leaf area index for low vegetation	m ² /m ²	FC	0-78	SFC
67	lai_hv	Leaf area index for high vegetation	m ² /m ²	FC	0-78	SFC
139	Stl1	Soil temperature level 1	K	FC	0-78	SFC
170	Stl2	Soil temperature level 2	K	FC	0-78	SFC
183	Stl3	Soil temperature level 3	K	FC	0-78	SFC
236	Stl4	Soil temperature level 4	K	FC	0-78	SFC
238	Tsn	Temperature of snow layer	K	FC	0-78	SFC
198	Src	Skin reservoir content	m	FC	0-78	SFC
235	Skt	Skin temperature	K	FC	0-78	SFC
148	Chnk	Charnock	~	FC	0-78	SFC

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160	sdor	Standard deviation of orography	m	AN	0	SFC	203	o3	Ozone mixing ratio		FC	0-78	ML
161	isor	Anisotropy of subgrid scale orography		AN	0	SFC	75	crwc	Specific rain water content		FC	0-78	ML
162	anor	Angle of subgrid scale orography		AN	0	SFC	76	cswc	Specific snow water content		FC	0-78	ML
163	slor	Slope of subgrid scale orography		AN	0	SFC	246	clwc	Specific cloud liquid water content		FC	0-78	ML
42	slt	Soil type		AN	0	SFC	247	ciwc	Specific cloud ice water content		FC	0-78	ML
234	lsrh	Logarythm of surface roughness length for heat		AN	0	SFC	248	cc	Fraction cloud cover		FC	0-78	ML
173	sr	Surface roughness	m	AN	0	SFC	152	Insp	Logarythm of surface pressure		FC	0-78	ML
174	al	Albedo	0-1	AN	0	SFC	138	vo	vorticity	1/s	FC	0-78	ML
15	aluvp	UV visible albedo for direct rad.	0-1	AN	0	SFC	155	d	divergence	1/s	FC	0-78	ML
16	aluvd	UV visible albedo for diff. rad.	0-1	AN	0	SFC	130	t	temperature	K	FC	0-78	ML
17	alnip	Near IR albedo for direct rad.	0-1	AN	0	SFC	129	z	geopotential	m2/s2	AN	0	ML
18	alnid	Near IR albedo for diff. rad	0-1	AN	0	SFC							

Input files for 903

ICMGGLACE+00[STEP] contains the surface gridpoint fields
(prognostic or not)

ICMUALACE+00[STEP] contains the upper air gridpoint fields on the
model levels

ICMSHLACE+00[STEP] contains the spectral fields (upper air and
surface, including geopotential)



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E903 namelist

&NAMFPC

```
CFPFMT='LELAM',
CFPDOM(1)='${DOMAIN}',
CFPDIR='${CFPDIR}',
CFP2DF(1)='SURFPRESSION',
CFP2DF(2)='SPECSURFGEOPOTENTIEL',
CFP3DF(1)='TEMPERATURE',
CFP3DF(2)='WIND.U.PHYS',
CFP3DF(3)='WIND.V.PHYS',
CFP3DF(4)='HUMI.SPECIFIQUE',
CFPPHY(1)='SURFTEMPERATURE',
CFPPHY(2)='SURFIND.TERREMER',
CFPPHY(3)='SURFA.OF.OZONE',
CFPPHY(4)='SURFB.OF.OZONE',
CFPPHY(5)='SURFC.OF.OZONE',
CFPPHY(6)='SURFAEROS.SEA',
CFPPHY(7)='SURFAEROS.LAND',
CFPPHY(8)='SURFAEROS.SOOT',
CFPPHY(9)='SURFAEROS.DESERT',
CFPPHY(10)='SURFRESERV.NEIGE',
CFPPHY(11)='PROFTEMPERATURE',
CFPPHY(12)='PROFRESERV.EAU',
CFPPHY(13)='SURFRESERV.EAU',
CFPPHY(14)='SURFZ0.FOIS.G',
CFPPHY(15)='SURFALBEDO',
CFPPHY(16)='SURFEMISSIVITE',
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Print out all the fields needed

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CFPPHY(17)='SURFET.GEOPOTENT',
CFPPHY(18)='SURFIND.TERREMER',
CFPPHY(19)='SURFPROP.VEGEATAT',
CFPPHY(20)='SURFVAR.GEOP.ANI',
CFPPHY(21)='SURFVAR.GEOP.DIR',
CFPPHY(22)='SURFIND.VEG.DOMI',
CFPPHY(23)='SURFRESI.STO.MIN',
CFPPHY(24)='SURFPROP.ARGILE',
CFPPHY(25)='SURFPROP.SABLE',
CFPPHY(26)='SURFEPAIS.SOL',
CFPPHY(27)='SURFIND.FOLIAIRE',
CFPPHY(28)='SURFRES.EVAPOTRA',
CFPPHY(29)='SURFGZ0.THERM',
CFPPHY(30)='SURFRESERV.INTER',
CFPPHY(31)='PROFRESERV.GLACE',
CFPPHY(32)='SURFRESERV.GLACE',
CFPPHY(33)='SURFDENSIT.NEIGE',
CFPPHY(34)='SURFALBEDO.NEIGE',
CFPPHY(35)='SURFALBEDO.SOLNU',
CFPPHY(36)='SURFALBEDO.VEG',
NFPCLI=2,
NRFP3S=1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,
27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,50,51,52,
53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,..... 137, (up to the number of levels)
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E903 namelist

&NAMARG

NCONF=903, ! Configuration for 3D integration.
 NFPSEVER=1, ! configuration of post-processing server
 CNMEXP=\${CNMEXP}, ! Name of the experiment
 LECMWF=.TRUE., ! .T.: ECMWF configuration
 NSUPERSEDE=1, ! date and geometry are read in intial file

Define the configuration

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&NAMCTO

NFPOS=2, ! Fullpos active, configuration for model geometry changes
 NFRPOS=\${NFRPOS}, ! frequency of post-processing events (time-steps)
 NPOSTS(0)=0, ! array containing postprocessing steps
 LSPRT=.FALSE., ! .T.: if R*T/Rd "virtual temperature" as spectral variable
 LARPEGEF=.TRUE., ! .T. = use ARPEGE files
 LREFOUT=.FALSE., ! .T. compare to reference run
 NSPPR=0, ! 0: no spectrum printed in spnorm; only global norms averaged in

the vertical

CFPNCF='ECHFP', ! name of Full-POS control file (pseudo-configuration 927)
 CSCRIPT_PPSEVER=' ', ! absolute script name for post-processing server

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&NAMTRANS

LFFTW=.TRUE., ! Use FFTW if true (see TRANS package)

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E903 namelist

&NAMFPD

```
NFPGUX=349, ! actual last row of latitude
NFPLUX=373, ! actual last row of longitude
NLAT=360,   ! number of longitudes
NLON=384,   ! number of latitudes
RDELX(1)=8000., ! resolution in x and y
RDELY(1)=8000., ! in meters for LELAM
RLATC(1)=46.244700000000002, ! domain centre latitude
RLONC(1)=17.000000000000000, ! domain centre longitude
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Define the output domain

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FPVALH(0)=0.,
FPVALH(1)=19.800000, ! "A" coefficients of vertical system
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FPVALH(137)=0.000000,
FPVBH(0)=0.,           ! "B" coefficients of vertical system
FPVBH(1)=0.0000000000,
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...

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FPVBH(137)=1.0000000000,
NFPLEV=137,           ! number of levels
FPLAT0=46.2447000000000, ! geographic latitude of ref. for the projection
FPLON0=17.0000,       ! geographic longitude of ref. for the projection
NFPMAX=89,            ! truncation
NMFPMAX=95,           ! truncation
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129	z	Geopotential (??????)	m2/s2	AN	0	ML

Conclusion

IFS octahedral grid



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LAM (Lambert) grid

903 works!

Operational implementation

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