

# GCM Practical: Lecture and Exercises

## Introduction

Welcome to the practical portion of the Mars Climate Modeling Center (MCMC) Legacy Mars Global Climate Model (GCM) tutorial. By the end of this section of the tutorial, you will have the practical skills necessary to run the GCM.

The GCM presented here is extensively documented in [Haberle et al. \(2019\)](#) for your reference.

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## 1. Installation: Clone the Repository

```
(local)>$ git clone https://github.com/nasa/legacy-mars-global-climate-model.git
```

This will produce a directory called `/legacy-mars-global-climate-model`. Navigate to that directory and list its contents:

```
(local)>$ cd legacy-mars-global-climate-model  
(local)>$ ls -l
```

The following files and directories will be visible:

<code>README.md</code>	<i># readme file with installation instructions</i>
<code>analysis</code>	<i># directory: simple analysis routines</i>

code	<i># directory: contains the GCM source code</i>
documentation	<i># directory: contains GCM documentation</i>
run	<i># directory: run the GCM (contains data</i>
<i>directory)</i>	
tutorial	<i># tutorial files</i>

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## 2. Configure Directory Structure (Optional)

While not necessary, it may be useful to place the different directories described above in different locations on your computer. In particular, it may be reasonable to change the location of the `/data` and `/run` directories.

`/run` directories:

- where the executables will be run and where the output files will be created
- significant disk space required, so you might want to put it in a different location on your computer (scratch, etc.)

`/data` directory:

- where the required input files reside
- default location is in each run directory, but this will create many unnecessary `/data` directories
- may want to always point to one location for the `/data` directory
- requires source code changes

### Update Paths to Input Files

Modify the paths in `input.f`, `laginterp.f90`, and `initcld.f` to point to your desired directories. For example, modifying the path to a topography file in `input.f` looks like:

```
OPEN(UNIT=9,  
!      * FILE='data/topog37x60.mola_intel',  
      * FILE='/username/path/to/gcm/data/topog37x60.mola_intel',  
      * STATUS='OLD',FORM='UNFORMATTED')  
READ(9) BOUNDUM  
CLOSE(9)
```

- Make sure to change the paths to **all** required input files.

**NOTE:** the rest of this tutorial utilizes the default directory structure. We recommend using the default structure unless you feel comfortable enough to make the location changes discussed above.

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## 3. Compile the Code

From the main model directory, `/legacy-mars-global-climate-model` , navigate to the source code directory, `/code` :

```
(local)>$ cd code
```

For gfortran, open the `Makefile` and check that the gfortran options are uncommented. You should see:

```
#F90_COMP = ifort
#F_OPTS   = -c -O2
F90_COMP  = gfortran
F_OPTS    = -c -O3 -finit-local-zero -frecord-marker=4
```

Once the `Makefile` is ready, you can proceed with compiling the model. First, remove all object files ( `*.o` ), and module files ( `*.mod` ) to ensure a clean build by typing:

```
(local)>$ make clean
```

Next, compile the code by typing:

```
(local)>$ make
```

which creates an executable file called `gcm2.3` .

**NOTE:** recompiling the code is **required** whenever there is a **source code** change.

## 4. Required Input Files

### Required GCM Input Files

Description	File Name	Subroutine	Data Type	Comments
Topography	topog37x60.mola_intel	input	binary	horizontal resolution dependent
Surface Albedo	osu_albedo_5x6_2011	input	binary	horizontal resolution dependent
Thermal Inertia	osu_ti_5x6_2011	input	binary	horizontal resolution dependent
Dust Map	TES_my24_dustscenario_zvary_37x60_6ls_intel	input	binary	horizontal resolution dependent
K-coefficients (V)	CO2H2O_V_12_95_INTEL	laginterp	binary	wavelength resolution dependent
K-coefficients (IR)	CO2H2O_IR_12_95_INTEL	laginterp	binary	wavelength resolution dependent

Description	File Name	Subroutine	Data Type	Comments
Cloud Properties (V)	waterCoated_vis_JD_12bands.dat	initcld	ascii	wavelength resolution dependent
Cloud Properties (IR)	waterCoated_ir_JD_12bands.dat	initcld	ascii	wavelength resolution dependent
Dust Properties (V)	Dust_vis_wolff2010_JD_12bands.dat	initcld	ascii	wavelength resolution dependent
Dust Properties (IR)	Dust_vis_wolff2010_JD_12bands.dat	initcld	ascii	wavelength resolution dependent

## The GCM also requires a *namelist*

- The namelist (called `mars` or `restart`) contains runtime options for modifying the simulation.
- A sample `mars` file contains the following:

```
&inputnl
  runnumx = 2014.11
  dlat = 5.0      jm = 36      im = 60      nlay = 24
  psf = 7.010     ptrop = 0.0008
  dtm = 2.0       nc3 = 8
  tautot = 0.3    rptau = 6.1   conrnu = 0.03
  taue = 480.0    tauh = 1.5    tautid = 0.0   tauih = 0.0
  rsetsw = 1
  cloudon = .false.
  active_dust = .true.
  active_water = .false.
  microphysics = .true.
  co2scav = .true.
  timesplit = .false.
  albfeed = .false.
  latent_heat = .false.
  vdust = .true.
  icealb = 0.4    icethresh_depth = 5.0
  dtsplit = 30.0
  h2ocloudform = .false.
  vary_conr = .false.
/
```

## Example Option Combinations for Physics

- Radiatively active transported dust tracking a dust map, no cloud formation:

```
active_dust = .true.
vdust = .true.
h2ocloudform = .false.
```

- Prescribed globally uniform dust, no cloud formation:

```
tautot = 0.3
active_dust = .false.
vdust = .false.
h2ocloudform = .false.
```

- Radiatively active transported dust tracking a dust map, radiatively inert water ice cloud formation:

```
cloudon = .false.
active_dust = .true.
vdust = .true.
h2ocloudform = .true.
```

- Radiatively active transported dust tracking a dust map, radiatively inert water ice cloud formation, with microphysics timesplitting:

```
cloudon = .true.
active_dust = .true.
timesplit = .true.
vdust = .true.
dtsplit = 30.0
h2ocloudform = .true.
```

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Not all flag combinations will work, and the model will not necessarily tell you which combinations are bad. If you have questions, ask us!

## Namelist Details

Parameter	Type	Description	Units	Notes
runnumx	real	run identifier		
dlat	real	degrees between latitude grid points	degrees	
jm	integer	number of latitude grid points		
im	integer	number of longitude grid points		
nlay	integer	number of layers		
psf	real	average surface pressure	mbar	
ptrop	real	pressure at the tropopause	mbar	
dtm	real	requested time step	minutes	
tautot	real	visible dust optical depth at the reference pressure level		
rptau	real	the reference pressure level tautot uses	mbar	
taue	real	requested run time	hours	
tauh	real	history output frequency	hours	
tauid	real	starting time in days		leave 0 for now

Parameter	Type	Description	Units	Notes
tau <sub>ih</sub>	real	starting time of run	hours	0 for cold starts; time of 1 <sup>st</sup> record of a warm start file
nc3	integer	a full pass through COMP3 is done every NC3 time steps		
rsetsw	integer	cold start / warm start flag		1 for cold starts; 0 for warm starts
l <sub>day</sub>	integer	day of a Mars year corresponding to a given Ls.		
con <sub>rnu</sub>	real	dust mixing ratio scale height		
cloudon	logical	radiatively active water ice clouds		
active <sub>dust</sub>	logical	radiatively active water vapor		
microphysics	logical	call MICROPHYS		always use true
co2scav	logical	simple treatments of CO <sub>2</sub> cloud scavenging		
timesplit	logical	timesplitting on		$dtsplit \neq 1$
albfeed	logical	surface water ice albedo feedback		
latent <sub>heat</sub>	logical	water latent heat effects		surface and atmosphere
vdust	logical	read and use dust map		
icealb	real	albedo value of surface ice		when albfeed = .true.
icethresh <sub>depth</sub>	real	depth of ice required to reset icealb	microns	when albfeed = .true.
dtsplit	real	requested timesplit DT	seconds	when timesplit = .true.
h2ocloudform	logical	h2o cloud formation		
vary <sub>conr</sub>	logical	vary conrath parameter in latitude and ls		when active <sub>dust</sub> = .false.

## Day of Year (LDAY)

Ls	Day of Year	Ls	Day of Year
0	173	200	578
10	193	210	594
20	213	220	610
30	234	230	626
40	256	240	641
50	277	250	657
60	300	257.4	668
70	322	257.8	0
80	344	260	3

Ls	Day of Year	Ls	Day of Year
90	366	270	19
100	388	280	34
110	410	290	50
120	431	300	66
130	451	310	83
140	471	320	100
150	490	330	117
160	509	340	135
170	527	350	154
180	545	359.9	172
190	562	0	173

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## 5. Cold Starts

There are two types of runs: **Cold Starts** and **Warm Starts**

1. **Cold Start:** initialized with an isothermal atmosphere & no winds at time = 0.
2. **Warm Start:** initialized from a previous run ("spun-up") at time  $\neq 0$ .

We will start with learning how to do a Cold Start.

**Steps for a Cold Start are:**

- 1.) Move the executable `gcm2.3` to the `/run` directory and change to that directory:

```
(local)>$ cp gcm2.3 ../run/
(local)>$ cd ../run/
```

- 2.) Edit the namelist file, `mars`.

- 3.) Execute the code:

```
(local)>$ ./gcm2.3 <mars> m.out &
```

**Standard history files are fortran binaries:**

1. `fort.11`, then `fort.11_0002`, `fort.11_0003`, etc: contain bulk of information
2. `fort.45`, then `fort.45_0002`, `fort.45_0003`, etc: secondary information
3. `fort.51_0002`, `fort.51_0003`, etc: used for warm starts
4. `fort.91_0002`, `fort.91_0004`, etc: also used for warm starts

Each file nominally contains 10 sols of output (you can modify this by changing `tauh` in the namelist).

**NOTE:** if these default settings are changed, changes will also be required in the analysis pipeline.

## Methods for tracking simulation progress:

- Monitor `fort.11*` files, which are nominally 453.886 mb when full:

```
(local)>$ ls -l fort.11*
```

Which gives (for example):

```
-rw-----@ 1 user  staff  453886027 Oct 26 11:47 fort.11
-rw-----@ 1 user  staff   3189067 Oct 26 11:47 fort.11_0002
```

- Monitor the simulated hour ( `TIME:` ) inside the `m.out` file:

```
(local)>$ tail -15 m.out
```

Which gives (for example):

```
----- TIME:      240.00      Ls:  94.01
Water:  atm      cld      ice      icenpc      Total
  1.91485D+10    0.00000D+00    0.00000D+00   -1.91494D+10   -8.77906D+05
=====
```

The message at the end of `m.out` when the simulation finishes should be something similar to:

```
WMSG036 HAS STOPPED AT DAY 10 / HOUR 0.001
```

## 6. GCM Exercise: TASK 1 - Cold Starts

### It's time to practice!

We have designed a few tasks that require running the GCM on your system. These exercises will help reinforce the concepts we're discussing. These tasks assume you have already installed and compiled the GCM on your system. If you have not yet done so, we suggest following the instructions in the `README.pdf` (or `README.md`) file.

### TASK 1: Run from a Cold Start

The first exercise focuses on running the GCM from a cold start. The first simulation we'll run is a 10-sol (240-hour) simulation that starts at  $L_s = 90$ . We'll have to edit the namelist to do so, but we'll otherwise use the default physics options in the tutorial namelist ( `mars_tutorial` ) for this exercise.

#### Steps for TASK 1:

- 1.) From the `/legacy-mars-global-climate-model` directory, create a new directory ( `/run_task1` ) to execute the model in, populate it with `gcm2.3` , `mars_tutorial` , and the `/data` directory (plus its contents), and then navigate into it:



```
(local)>$ mkdir run_task1
(local)>$ cp code/gcm2.3 run_task1/
(local)>$ cp tutorial/mars_tutorial run_task1/
(local)>$ scp -r run/data run_task1/
(local)>$ cd run_task1/
```

2.) Rename the `mars_tutorial` file to `mars` :

```
(local)>$ mv mars_tutorial mars
```

3.) Open the `mars` file, change the starting  $L_s$  ( `lday` ) to the value appropriate for  $L_s = 90$  ( `lday= 366` ) and the length of the simulation ( `taue` ) to 240 hours ( `taue = 240.0` ).

4.) Execute the simulation with the command:

```
(local)>$ ./gcm2.3 < mars > m.out&
```

5.) We need to compile `htest` as the simulation runs if you did not already do so when you installed the GCM before the tutorial. To do this, navigate to the tutorial directory and compile `htest.f90` :

```
(local)>$ cd ../tutorial/
(local)>$ gfortran -c historymod.f90
(local)>$ gfortran -o htest htest.f90 historymod.o
```

6.) Next, copy the `htest` ( `htest.exe` on Windows) executable to the `/run` directory and navigate back to that directory:

```
(local)>$ cp ./htest ../run_task1/ # cp ./htest.exe ../run_task1/ on
Windows
(local)>$ cd ../run_task1/
```

7.) After the simulation finishes, run `htest` on the **first record** of the **last fort.11** file ( `_0002` ) with `J=18` , `I=1` , and `L=24` :

```
(local)>$ ./htest
```

You should see something very similar to:

```
History file name: fort.11_0002
Record number? 1
J, I, L (Which are: Lat, Lon, Layer) 18, 1, 24

Run number: 2014.11

History file name: fort.11_0002
Run number: 2014.11
Record number: 1
Grid: J = 18 I = 1 L = 24

Ls = 94.47
RSDIST = 2.7285
DECMAX = 25.2193
TAU = 240.00
TOFDAY = 0.00
Time at Grid Point = 12.00
```

```

    TAUTOT = 0.3000
    RPTAU = 6.10

    TOPOG(J,I) = 9688.4170 -----> -2.6044 km
    ALSP(J,I) = 0.2795
    SURFALB(J,I) = 0.2795
    ZIN(J,I,1) = 69.3150
    GIDN = 0.0545          GIDS = 0.0805

    PSF = 7.0100
    GASP = 6.9672
GASP: Global Average Surface Pressure

    PTROP = 8.0000E-04
    P(J,I) = 8.1164
    TSTRAT(J,I) = 191.1051
    T(J,I,L) = 226.8797
    U(J,I,L) = -3.9678
    V(J,I,L) = 3.9435

    GT(J,I) = 268.0048
    STEMP(J,I,1) = 210.7421          SDEPTH( 2) = 0.0075 m
    STEMP(J,I,5) = 210.3161          SDEPTH(10) = 0.0961 m

    CO2ICE(J,I) = 0.0000E+00
    ALICEN = 0.6000          ALICES = 0.5000
    EGOC02N = 0.8000          EGOC02S = 1.0000
    STRESSX(J,I) = -1.5937E-03       STRESSY(J,I) = 2.3552E-03
    TAUSURF(J,I) = 0.43410

    fuptopv(J,I) = 113.12054          fuptopir(J,I) = 214.48886
    fdntopv(J,I) = 449.26962
    fupsurfv(J,I) = 115.78580          fupsurfir(J,I) = 291.84625
    fdnsurfv(J,I) = 414.32309          fdnsurfir(J,I) = 52.13027

    NPCFLAG = F
    Water vapor = 4.4126E-10

```

- Note that the  $L_s$  has advanced to  $\approx 95^\circ$ .

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## 7. Warm Starts

The second method for starting a simulation is through a warm start, where a new simulation is initialized from a previous run (i.e. at time  $\neq 0$ ).

**Steps for a Warm Start are:**

- 1.) From the `/legacy-mars-global-climate-model`, create a new `/run_warm` directory, copy the `gcm2.3` executable, the `mars` file, and `htest` to it, and navigate to that directory:

```
(local)>$ mkdir run_warm
(local)>$ cp code/gcm2.3 run_warm/
(local)>$ cp run/mars run_warm/
(local)>$ scp -r run/data run_warm/
(local)>$ cp tutorial/htest run_warm/ # cp tutorial/htest.exe run_warm/
on Windows
(local)>$ cd run_warm/
```

2.) Rename mars (the namelist) to restart :

```
(local)>$ mv mars restart
```

3.) Identify the fort.\*\_\*\*\*\* files required for the run and copy them into the /run directory. For example, assume we want to warm start from fort.\*\_0002 . We first rename the fort.\* files to exclude the extensions:

```
(local)>$ mv fort.11_0002 fort.11
(local)>$ mv fort.45_0002 fort.45
(local)>$ mv fort.51_0002 fort.51
(local)>$ mv fort.91_0002 fort.91
```

4.) When warm-starting, the model will read the first record of the fort.11 , fort.45 , fort.51 , and fort.91 files and begin the simulation from that timestamp. This timestamp also needs to be specified in the restart file as the tauih value. To identify the starting time, run htest on the fort.11 file from which you will restart, and read the output value of time TAU :

IMPORTANT NOTE: warm starts begin from the *first* record of the fort.\* file

```
(local)>$ ./htest
History file name: fort.11
Record number? 1
J, I, L (Which are: Lat, Lon, Layer) 17, 1, 24
```

5.) Edit the namelist ( restart ) file:

```
- set `rsetsw` = 0`
- set `tauih` to the value found in previous step
```

6.) Execute the code:

```
(local)>$ ./gcm2.3 <restart> m.out &
```

History file sequencing will then be:

1. fort.11 , then fort.11\_0003 , fort.11\_0004 , etc
2. fort.45 , then fort.45\_0003 , fort.11\_0004 , etc
3. fort.51 , then fort.51\_0003 , fort.11\_0004 , etc
4. fort.91 , then fort.91\_0003 , fort.11\_0004 , etc

- Note that this sequencing is based on our example of warm starting from fort.\*\_0002

- Each file nominally contains 10 sols of output (you can modify this)
- You may want to rename the `fort.11` , `fort.45` , `fort.51` , and `fort.91` files with the `_0002` extension before processing them. For example:

```
(local)>$ mv fort.11 fort.11_0002
```

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## 8. GCM Exercise: TASK 2 - Warm Starts

### It's time to practice!

We have designed a few tasks that require running the GCM on your system. These exercises will help reinforce the concepts we're discussing.

### TASK 2: Run from a Warm Start

The second exercise focuses on running the GCM from a warm start. The simulation we will run now is a continuation of our first simulation, [6. GCM Exercise: TASK 1 - Cold Starts](#).

#### Steps for TASK 2:

1.) From the `/legacy-mars-global-climate-model` directory, create a new run directory (`/run_task2`), populate it with `gcm2.3` , `mars` , `htest` (`htest.exe` on Windows), and the `/data` directory (plus its contents) **from the TASK 1 `/run` directory**, and then navigate into it:

```
(local)>$ mkdir run_task2
(local)>$ cp run_task1/gcm2.3 run_task2/
(local)>$ cp run_task1/mars run_task2/
(local)>$ cp run_task1/htest run_task2/ # cp run_task1/htest.exe
run_task2/ on Windows
(local)>$ scp -r run_task1/data run_task2/
(local)>$ cd run_task2/
```

2.) Rename the `mars` file `restart` , copy the `fort.*_0002` files from the TASK 1 run directory into this new run directory and rename them without the `_0002` extension:

```
(local)>$ mv mars restart
(local)>$ cp ../run_task1/fort.*_0002 .
(local)>$ mv fort.11_0002 fort.11
(local)>$ mv fort.45_0002 fort.45
(local)>$ mv fort.51_0002 fort.51
(local)>$ mv fort.91_0002 fort.91
```

3.) Use `htest` to determine the hour (`tau = 240.0`) from which you will start the new simulation:

```
(local)>$ ./htest
History file name: fort.11
Record number? 1
J, I, L (Which are: Lat, Lon, Layer) 1,1,1
```

Run number: 2014.11

History file name: fort.11

Run number: 2014.11

Record number: 1

Grid: J = 1 I = 1 L = 1

Ls = 94.47

RSDIST = 2.7285

DECMAX = 25.2193

TAU = 240.00

4.) In the restart file, change the starting hour ( tauih ) to the value found in the previous step ( = 240.0 ) and toggle the warmstart flag ( rsetsw ) from 1 to 0.

5.) Execute the simulation with the command:

```
(local)>$ ./gcm2.3 <restart> m.out&
```

6.) After the simulation finishes, run htest on the first record of the last fort.11 file ( \_0003 ) with J=18 , I=1 , and L=24 . You should see something very similar to:

History file name: fort.11\_0003

Record number? 1

J, I, L (Which are: Lat, Lon, Layer) 18, 1, 24

Run number: 2014.11

History file name: fort.11\_0003

Run number: 2014.11

Record number: 1

Grid: J = 18 I = 1 L = 24

Ls = 99.04

RSDIST = 2.7092

DECMAX = 25.2193

TAU = 480.00

TOFDAY = 0.00

Time at Grid Point = 12.00

TAUTOT = 0.3000

RPTAU = 6.10

TOPOG(J,I) = 9688.4170 -----> -2.6044 km

ALSP(J,I) = 0.2795

SURFALB(J,I) = 0.2795

ZIN(J,I,1) = 69.3150

GIDN = 0.0545

GIDS = 0.0805

PSF = 7.0100

GASP = 6.9102

GASP: Global Average Surface Pressure

```

PTROP = 8.0000E-04
P(J,I) = 8.1203
TSTRAT(J,I) = 192.7632
T(J,I,L) = 226.7106
U(J,I,L) = -4.3707
V(J,I,L) = 5.3277

GT(J,I) = 267.6625
STEMP(J,I,1) = 209.8746
STEMP(J,I,5) = 209.0226

SDEPTH( 2) = 0.0075 m
SDEPTH(10) = 0.0961 m

CO2ICE(J,I) = 0.0000E+00
ALICEN = 0.6000
EGOC02N = 0.8000
STRESSX(J,I) = -2.8061E-03
TAUSURF(J,I) = 0.48165

ALICES = 0.5000
EGOC02S = 1.0000
STRESSY(J,I) = 3.5275E-03

fuptopv(J,I) = 114.52032
fdntopv(J,I) = 453.28476
fupsurfv(J,I) = 116.20900
fdnsurfv(J,I) = 415.83743

fuptopir(J,I) = 213.56181
fupsurfir(J,I) = 290.11661
fdnsurfir(J,I) = 51.76165

NPCFLAG = F
Water vapor = 8.8870E-08

```

- Note that time ( TAU ) has advanced 240 hours (10 sols) from the TASK 1 simulation.

## 9. History Files

There are four types of output files:

```

fort.11*
fort.45*
fort.51*
fort.91*

```

- The `fort.51*` and `fort.91*` files are used exclusively for warm starts
- The `fort.11*` is the main output file.

We do not recommend making changes to the structure or contents of the `fort.11*` files.

- The `fort.45*` is a secondary output file.

If additional fields need to be outputted, we recommend adding them to the `fort.45*` files.

### Characteristics

- Each `fort.11*` file has two parts:

- Header Record
  - Time-Dependent Records
- Each `fort.45*` file has only:
  - Time-Dependent Records
- Each `fort.11*` and `fort.45*` file has 160 time-dependent records
  - In the nominal set-up, this covers 10 sols
    - Output every 1.5 hours; 16 outputs per sol
    - You can change this in the `mars/restart` file ( `tauh` )

We recommend that you do **not** change the output frequency unless it is absolutely necessary. If you do make changes to the output frequency, be sure to make corresponding changes to all analysis routines.

## Header Record

- Written once at the beginning of each `fort.11*` file from `mhsth.f`
- Code for reading `fort.11*` header:

```
character(len=7) :: version
integer  :: jm, im, layers, nl, ntracer
real*4   :: runnum, dsig(layers), dxyp(jm), sdepth(nl)
real*4   :: grav, rgas, cp, stbo, xlhtc, kapa, cmk, decmax, eccn
real*4   :: orbinc, vinc, alicen, alices, egoco2n, egoco2s
real*4   :: topog(jm,im), alsp(jm,im), zin(jm,im,nl)
real*4   :: npcwik
logical  :: npcflag(jm,im)
```

(etc)

```
read(20) runnum, jm, im, layers, nl, ntrace, version
read(20) dsig, dxyp, grav, rgas, cp, stbo, xlhtc, kapa,
*        cmk, decmax, eccn, orbinc, vinc, sdepth, alicen,
*        alices, egoco2n, egoco2s, npcwikg, gidn, gids
read(20) topog, alsp, zin, npcflag
```

## Header Variable Descriptions

Variable	Description	Units
runnum	The run number	
jm	Number of latitude grid points	
im	Number of longitude grid points	
layers	Number of layers in the atmosphere below the stratosphere	
nl	Number of layers in the soil model	
ntrace	Number of tracers	
version	Version number	
time	Elapsed time from the start of the run	hours

Variable	Description	Units
<code>dsig(l)</code>	$d\sigma$ - the layer thickness in $\sigma$ coordinates	
<code>sigma(k)</code>	$\sigma$ - values of $\sigma$ at the model levels	
<code>dxyp(j)</code>	The area of each grid point at latitude J	$\text{m}^2$
<code>ptrop</code>	Pressure of the tropopause	mbar
<code>psf</code>	Input global surface pressure	mbar
<code>tautot</code>	Input (global) dust optical depth at the reference pressure	
<code>rptau</code>	Reference pressure for dust optical depth (TAUTOT)	mbar
<code>nc3</code>	Full COMP3 is done every nc3 time steps	
<code>cp</code>	Heat capacity of CO <sub>2</sub> gas	$\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
<code>grav</code>	Acceleration due to gravity	$\text{m s}^{-2}$
<code>rgas</code>	Gas constant for Mars	$\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
<code>stbo</code>	Stefan-Boltzmann constant	$\text{J m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{K}^{-4}$
<code>xlhtc</code>	Latent heat of CO <sub>2</sub>	$\text{J kg}^{-1}$
<code>decmax</code>	Obliquity (maximim solar declination)	
<code>eccn</code>	Orbital eccentricity	
<code>orbinc</code>	Inclination of the orbit to the ecliptic	
<code>vinc</code>	VINC - 90° is the true anomaly when $L_S = 0$	
<code>sdepth(nl)</code>	Depth at the mid-point of each soil layer. (m)	
<code>alicen</code>	Albedo of CO <sub>2</sub> surface ice in the north polar cap	
<code>alices</code>	Albedo of CO <sub>2</sub> surface ice in the south polar cap	
<code>egoco2n</code>	Emissivity of CO <sub>2</sub> surface ice in the north polar cap	
<code>egoco2s</code>	Emissivity of CO <sub>2</sub> surface ice in the south polar cap	
<code>jequator</code>	J index of the equator	
<code>npcwikg</code>	Initial north polar cap water ice (kg)	
<code>topog(j,i)</code>	Surface topography (-geopotential)	$\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$
<code>alsp(j,i)</code>	Surface albedo	
<code>zin(j,i,nl)</code>	Surface thermal inertia	$\text{J m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1/2}$
<code>npcflag(j,i)</code>	Logical flag, true if polar cap exists at this grid point	

## Time-Dependent Records

- Written to `fort.11*` and `fort.45` files every `tauh` hours from `mhistv.f`
- Code for reading one `fort.11*` record:



```

integer :: nc3, ncycle
real*4  :: tau, ls, rsdist, tofday, psf, ptrop, tautot
real*4  :: rptau, sind, gasp
real*4  :: p(jm,im)
real*4  :: t(jm,im,layers), u(jm,im,layers), v(jm,im,layers)
real*4  :: gt(jm,im), co2ice(jm,im), tstrat(jm,im), tausurf(jm,im)
real*4  :: ssun(jm,im), stemp(jm,im,nl)
real*4  :: qtrace(jm,im,layers,ntrace), qcond(jm,im,ntrace)
real*4  :: fuptopv(jm,im), fdntopv(jm,im)
real*4  :: fupsurfv(jm,im), fdnsurfv(jm,im)
real*4  :: fuptopir(jm,im), fupsurfir(jm,im), fdnsurfir(jm,im)
real*4  :: surfalb(jm,im), dheat(jm,im,layers), geop(jm,im,layers)

```

(etc)

```

read(20) tau, ls, rsdist, tofday, psf, ptrop, tautot,
*      rptau, sind, gasp
read(20) nc3, ncycle

```

```

read(20) p
read(20) t
read(20) u
read(20) v
read(20) gt
read(20) co2ice
read(20) stressx
read(20) stressy
read(20) tstrat
read(20) tausurf
read(20) ssun
read(20) qtrace
read(20) qcond
read(20) stemp
read(20) fuptopv, fdntopv, fupsurfv, fdnsurfv
read(20) fuptopir, fupsurfir, fdnsurfir
read(20) surfalb
read(20) dheat
read(20) geop

```

- Code for reading one fort.45\* record:

```

real*4 :: tau2, ls2, tofday2
real*4 :: srfupflx(jm,im,ntrace), srfdnflx(jm,im,ntrace)
real*4 :: tauref3d(jm,im,2*layers+3)

```

(etc)

```

read(21) tau2, ls2, tofday2, srfupflx, srfdnflx, tauref3d

```

## fort.11 Variable Descriptions

Variable	Description	Units
tau	Elapsed time from the start of the run	hours

Variable	Description	Units
tofday	Time of day at 0° longitude	hours
Ls	Seasonal date	degrees
rsdist	Square of the Sun-Mars distance	AU <sup>2</sup>
psf	Initial global surface pressure	mbar
ptrop	Pressure at the tropopause	mbar
sind	Sine of the sub-solar latitude	
tautot	Input (global) dust optical depth at the reference pressure	
rptau	Reference pressure for dust optical depth (TAUTOT)	mbar
gasp	Global average surface pressure	mbar
nc3	Full COMP3 is done every nc3 time steps	
p(j,i)	PI (Surface pressure - $P_{trop}$ )	mbar
t(j,i,l)	Atmosphere temperature	K
u(j,i,l)	Zonal wind	m s <sup>-1</sup>
v(j,i,l)	Meridional wind	m s <sup>-1</sup>
tstrat(j,i)	Stratosphere temperature	K
gt(j,i)	Ground temperature	K
co2ice(j,i)	Amount of CO <sub>2</sub> ice on the ground	kg m <sup>-2</sup>
stressx(j,i)	Surface stress - zonal component (carried at PI points)	N m <sup>-2</sup>
stressy(j,i)	Surface stress - meridional component (carried at PI points)	N m <sup>-2</sup>
tausurf(j,i)	Dust optical depth (in visible) at the surface	
ssun(j,i)	Solar energy absorbed by the atmosphere	W m <sup>-2</sup>
qtrace(j,i,l,n)	Tracer mass mixing ratio	kg kg <sup>-1</sup>
qcond(j,i,n)	Amount of tracer (n) on the ground	kg m <sup>-2</sup>
stemp(j,i,nl)	Sub-surface soil temperature	K
fuptopv(j,i)	Upward visible flux at the top of the atmosphere	W m <sup>-2</sup>
fdntopv(j,i)	Downward visible flux at the top of the atmosphere	W m <sup>-2</sup>
fupsurfv(j,i)	Upward visible flux at the surface	W m <sup>-2</sup>
fdnsurfv(j,i)	Downward visible flux at the surface	W m <sup>-2</sup>
fuptopir(j,i)	Upward IR flux at the top of the atmosphere	W m <sup>-2</sup>
fupsurfir(j,i)	Upward IR flux at the surface	W m <sup>-2</sup>
fdndurfir(j,i)	Downward IR flux at the surface	W m <sup>-2</sup>
surfalb(j,i)	Surface albedo	

Variable	Description	Units
dheat(j,i,l)	Total diabatic heating rate	K sol <sup>-1</sup>
geop(j,i,l)	Geopotential	m <sup>2</sup> s <sup>-2</sup>

## fort.45 Variable Descriptions

Variable	Description	Units
tau2	Elapsed time from the start of the run	hours
tofday2	Time of day at 0° longitude	hours
Ls2	Seasonal date	degrees
srfupflx(j,i,n)	Upward flux of tracers from the surface	kg m <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>
srfdnflx(j,i,n)	Downward flux of tracers to the surface	kg m <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>

# 10. GCM Exercise: TASK 3 - Physics Options

## It's time to practice!

We have designed a few tasks that require running the GCM on your system. These exercises will help reinforce the concepts we're discussing.

### TASK 3: Run with Modified Runtime Physics Options

The third exercise has two parts and focuses on running the GCM from with modified options for the treatment of dust. Instead of using radiatively active transported dust ( `ACTIVE_DUST = .TRUE.` ), these simulations will use **prescribed dust in the vertical** ( `ACTIVE_DUST = .FALSE.` ) with globally **uniform and constant** ( `VDUST = .FALSE.` ) total column dust optical depths that can be set to any value ( `TAUTOT = VALUE` ).

We will execute two simulation with `TAUTOT` values of (a) 0.3 and (b) 2.0, respectively, which represent (a) low and (b) high dust loading cases:

#### TASK 3a: Global Dust Optical Depth = 0.3

#### TASK 3b: Global Dust Optical Depth = 2.0

We will test these new options by warm starting a simulation from the end of the TASK 1 simulation, which means that the warm start files used for TASK 3 are the same as those used for TASK 2.

#### TASK 3a: Global Dust Optical Depth = 0.3

Steps for TASK 3a:

- 1.) Create a new run directory and populate it with `gcm2.3` , `restart` , `htest` , and the `/data` directory (plus its contents) **from the TASK 2 /run directory**.
- 2.) Copy the `fort.*_0002` files **from the TASK 1 /run directory** into this new directory and rename them without the `_0002` extension.
- 3.) In the `restart` file, change the following flags to:
  - `active_dust = .false.`
  - `vdust = .false.`
- 4.) Also in the `restart` file, verify that `tautot = 0.3` .
- 5.) Execute the simulation.

6.) After the simulation finishes, run `htest` on the first record of the last `fort.11` file (`_0003`) with `J=18` , `I=1` , and `L=24` . You should see something very similar to:

```
History file name: fort.11_0003
Record number? 1
J, I, L (Which are: Lat, Lon, Layer) 18, 1, 24

Run number: 2014.11

History file name: fort.11_0003
Run number: 2014.11
Record number: 1
Grid: J = 18      I = 1      L = 24

      Ls =          99.04
      RSDIST =       2.7092
      DECMAX =      25.2193
      TAU =         480.00
      TOFDAY =        0.00
Time at Grid Point =      12.00

      TAUTOT =       0.3000
      RPTAU =        6.10

      TOPOG(J,I) =   9688.4170  ----->  -2.6044 km
      ALSP(J,I) =      0.2795
      SURFALB(J,I) =     0.2795
      ZIN(J,I,1) =    69.3150
      GIDN =         0.0545      GIDS =         0.0805

      PSF =          7.0100
      GASP =          6.9155
GASP: Global Average Surface Pressure

      PTROP =      8.0000E-04
      P(J,I) =       8.1335
      TSTRAT(J,I) =   191.7084
```

```

T(J,I,L) = 226.1000
U(J,I,L) = -2.6611
V(J,I,L) = 5.0604

```

```

GT(J,I) = 267.7570
STEMP(J,I,1) = 210.1247
STEMP(J,I,5) = 208.9654

```

```

SDEPTH( 2) = 0.0075 m
SDEPTH(10) = 0.0961 m

```

```

CO2ICE(J,I) = 0.0000E+00
ALICEN      = 0.6000
EGOC02N     = 0.8000
STRESSX(J,I) = -3.0583E-03
TAUSURF(J,I) = 0.41011

```

```

ALICES      = 0.5000
EGOC02S     = 1.0000
STRESSY(J,I) = 4.2290E-03

```

```

fuptopv(J,I) = 116.24009
fdntopv(J,I) = 453.28494
fupsurfv(J,I) = 117.04001
fdnsurfv(J,I) = 418.81110

```

```

fuptopir(J,I) = 213.04865
fupsurfir(J,I) = 290.54834
fdnsurfir(J,I) = 51.34554

```

```

NPCFLAG = F
Water vapor = 7.9585E-08

```

- Note that the ground temperature ( GT ) at this grid point is  $\approx 267.75$  K and the (near-> surface, since we chose L = 24) air temperature ( T ) is  $\approx 226.1$  K.

## TASK 3b: Global Dust Optical Depth = 2.0

### Steps for TASK 3b:

- 1.) Create a new run directory and populate it with `gcm2.3` , `restart` , `htest` , and the `/data` directory (plus its contents) **from the TASK 2 /run directory**.
- 2.) Copy the `fort.*_0002` files **from the TASK 1 /run directory** into this new directory and rename them without the `_0002` extension.
- 3.) In the `restart` file, change the following flag to: `tautot = 2.0`
- 4.) Also in the `restart` file, verify that:
  - `active_dust = .false.`
  - `vdust = .false.`
- 5.) Execute the simulation.
- 6.) After the simulation finishes, run `htest` on the first record of the last `fort.11` file (`_0003`) with `J=18` , `I=1` , and `L=24` . You should see something very similar to:

```

History file name: fort.11_0003
Record number? 1
J, I, L (Which are: Lat, Lon, Layer) 18, 1, 24

Run number: 2014.11

```

```

History file name: fort.11_0003
Run number: 2014.11
Record number: 1
Grid: J = 18      I = 1      L = 24

      Ls = 99.04
      RSDIST = 2.7092
      DECMAX = 25.2193
      TAU = 480.00
      TOFDAY = 0.00
Time at Grid Point = 12.00

      TAUTOT = 2.0000
      RPTAU = 6.10

      TOPOG(J,I) = 9688.4170 -----> -2.6044 km
      ALSP(J,I) = 0.2795
      SURFALB(J,I) = 0.2795
      ZIN(J,I,1) = 69.3150
      GIDN = 0.0545      GIDS = 0.0805

      PSF = 7.0100
      GASP = 6.9340
GASP: Global Average Surface Pressure

      PTROP = 8.0000E-04
      P(J,I) = 8.0227
      TSTRAT(J,I) = 191.3996
      T(J,I,L) = 234.7205
      U(J,I,L) = 2.7318
      V(J,I,L) = 3.8033

      GT(J,I) = 260.3738
      STEMP(J,I,1) = 221.2417      SDEPTH( 2) = 0.0075 m
      STEMP(J,I,5) = 212.0935      SDEPTH(10) = 0.0961 m

      CO2ICE(J,I) = 0.0000E+00
      ALICEN = 0.6000      ALICES = 0.5000
      EGOC02N = 0.8000      EGOC02S = 1.0000
      STRESSX(J,I) = 1.5366E-04      STRESSY(J,I) = 4.8486E-03
      TAUSURF(J,I) = 2.69408

      fuptopv(J,I) = 114.68562      fuptopir(J,I) = 119.80155
      fdntopv(J,I) = 453.28500
      fupsurfv(J,I) = 69.66179      fupsurfir(J,I) = 259.86200
      fdnsurfv(J,I) = 249.27484      fdnsurfir(J,I) = 120.63870

      NPCFLAG = F
Water vapor = 6.5969E-08

```

Note that the daytime ground temperature is cooler and the daytime near-surface air temperature is warmer in this simulation (TASK 3b) than in the previous simulation (TASK 3a).

This is expected because we've significantly increased the atmospheric dust loading in the second simulation.

This concludes the GCM portion of the tutorial.

## Reminder for the Community Analysis Pipeline (CAP) tutorial tomorrow:

We ask you to follow the CAP install instructions [https://github.com/alex-kling/amesgcm/blob/master/tutorial/CAP\\_Install.md](https://github.com/alex-kling/amesgcm/blob/master/tutorial/CAP_Install.md). It is important that you download the 10 data files listed in the install instructions ahead of time for tomorrow.

```
CAP_tutorial/  
├── INERTCLDS/  
│   ├── fort.11_0719  fort.11_0720  fort.11_0721  fort.11_0722  
│   └── fort.11_0723  
└── ACTIVECLDS/  
    ├── fort.11_0719  fort.11_0720  fort.11_0721  fort.11_0722  
    └── fort.11_0723
```

It is a good idea to check for file integrity using the `disk use` command (`du -h fort.11*`): the files should be 433 Mb each.

Tomorrow we will walk you through the steps to process the GCM outputs and make plots from the fort.11 files using CAP.



