# **Numerical Modelling Course**

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## How to set-up the CGT environment

The "Code Generation Tool" (CGT) is used to create source code using the host model specific "code templates" and fills in all the tracers and processes from the formal description. Creating the source code is then very easy and straightforward.

You will need to download from <a href="https://ergom.net/">https://ergom.net/</a> the "Code GenerationTool" executables (cgt\_bin\_linux64\_1.4.2.zip (4.2 MiB) or cgt\_bin\_windows\_1.4.2.zip (2.0 MiB).

Finally, you need to have three folders in your working folder:

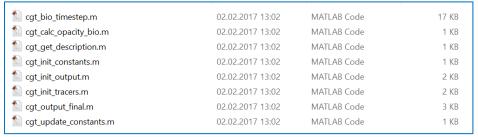
- 1. textfiles
- 2. code\_templates
- 3. finished\_code

The folder >>textfiles<< is empty in the beginning, but fills up with txt-files once a model has been developed with the editor of the Code Generation Tool, **CGT-edit**.



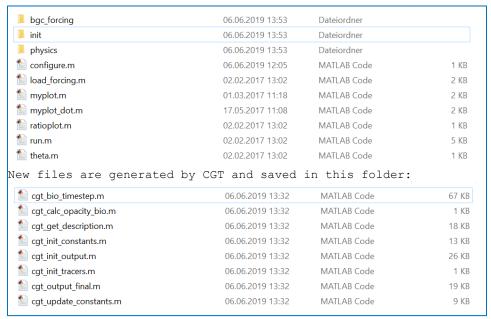
Files in the folder >>textfiles<<

The folder >>code\_templates<< contains a set of Matlab files as we will run our OD box model in Matlab. Please download/copy this folder with all these files.



Files in the folder >>code templates<<

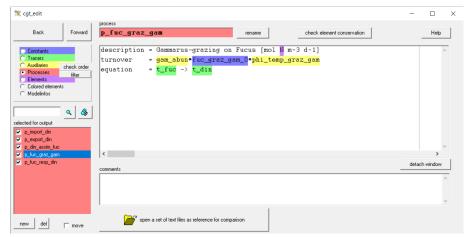
The folder >>finished\_code<< already contains folders and files. The folders contain forcing data and initial conditions of the tracers. Using the Code Generation Tool, more files are generated. In fact, these are edited files from the folder >>code\_templates<<.



Folders and files in the folder >>finished\_code<<

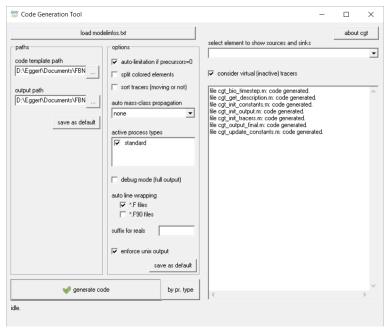
## **How to use the Code Generation Tool**

 We start using CGT-edit to develop the ecological model. Here you define all components of the model, i.e. constants, tracers and processes, etc. CGT-edit creates the textfiles with the formal description of the code and these files are saved in the folder >>textfiles<<.</li>



Screenshot of CGT-edit.

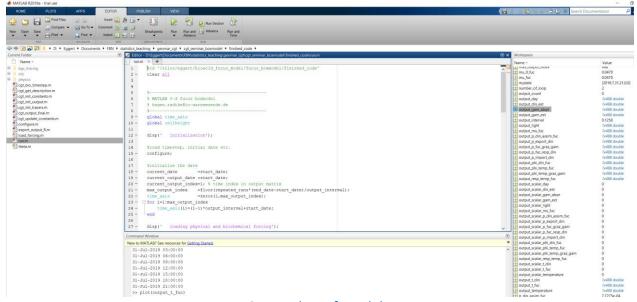
2. Then you generate the code using **CGT**. You are asked to load modelinfos.txt (they were just generated by using CGT-edit and saved in the folder >>textfiles<<). Then you need to specify the code template path >>code-templates<< and the output path, which is >>finished code<<. Please activate "auto-limitation if precursors = 0". Then you generate the code.



Screenshot of CGT.

## Run the model in Matlab

The model runs in Matlab. If everthing works correct, you only need to go to the folder >>finished\_code<< and to execute run.m with F9 or "RUN".



Screenshot of Matlab.

## How to edit/plot the simulated data

The simulated data are variables in the Matlab workspace. You can work with Matlab, but you can also use Excel or R to edit/plot the simulated data.

#### **Solution for R:**

Save all variables containing string "output\_" in .mat file and read this file in R using function readMat() of package R.matlab.

```
MatLab
workspaceVars = who;
findVars = strfind(workspaceVars, 'output_');
indexVars = find(not(cellfun('isempty', findVars)));
% Now you can use workspaceVars and indexVars along with save:
save('../results/output.mat', workspaceVars{indexVars})
```

```
R
setwd("C:/.../cgt_seminar_boxmodel/results")
library(R.matlab)
data <- readMat("output.mat")</pre>
```

#### **Solution for Excel:**

You would need to export the data, e.g. using the Matlab functions writematrix() or writetable():

```
MatLab
writematrix(output_temperature, '../results/output.xlsx','Sheet',1);
```

## Some technical aspects of the model

#### MatLab: configure.m

Here you define some basic set-ups of the model.

#### MatLab: cgt\_init\_constants.m

Here you see that the 'time-dependent constants' need to be placed in path 'bgc forcing'.

## MatLab

```
forcing_din_ext = load('bgc_forcing/din_ext.txt');
% DIN concentration in Kiel fjord water pumped through KOB [mol m-3]

forcing_gam_ext = load('bgc_forcing/gam_ext.txt');
% prescribed Gammarus abundance [individuals]
```

MatLab: run.m

Here you see that physical forcing time series need to be placed in path 'physics'.

```
MatLab
%load physical forcing
forcing_temperature = load('physics/temperature.txt');
% temperature [deg_C]
```