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1 Key Properties

Key properties of the aerosol model

1.1.1 Top level properties

Key properties of the aerosol model

1.1.1.1 Name *

 $Name\ of\ aerosol\ model\ code$

1.1.1.2 Keywords *

 $Keywords\ associated\ with\ aerosol\ model\ code$

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

1.1.1.3 Overview *

Overview of aerosol model.

1.1.1.4 Scheme Scope *

Atmospheric domains covered by the aerosol model

\bowtie	Troposphere
\boxtimes	Stratosphere
	Mesosphere
	Whole atmosphere
	Other - please specify:

1.1.1.5 Basic Approximations *

 $Basic\ approximations\ made\ in\ the\ aerosol\ model$

1.1.1.6 Prognostic Variables Form *

 $Prognostic\ variables\ in\ the\ aerosol\ model$

\bowtie	3D mass/volume ratio for aerosols
	3D number concentration for aerosols
	Other - please specify:

1.1.1.7 Number Of Tracers *

Number of tracers in the aerosol model

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1.1.1.8 Family Approach *
Are aerosol calculations generalized into families of species?
☐ False
1.2.1 Software Properties
Software properties of aerosol code
2.2.1.1 Repository
Location of code for this component.
Enter TEXT:
1.2.1.2 Code Version
Code version identifier.
Enter TEXT:
1.2.1.3 Code Languages
$Code\ language(s).$
Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:
1.3.1 Timestep Framework
Physical properties of seawater in ocean
1.3.1.1 Method *
Mathematical method deployed to solve the time evolution of the prognostic variables
Uses atmospheric chemistry time stepping
Specific timestepping (operator splitting)
Specific timestepping (integrated)
Other - please specify:
1.3.1.2 Split Operator Advection Timestep
Timestep for aerosol advection (in seconds)
Enter INTEGER value:
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 ${\bf 1.3.1.3~Split~Operator~Physical~Timestep}$

 $Time step\ for\ aerosol\ physics\ (in\ seconds).$

Enter INTEGER value:

1.3.1.4 Integrated Timestep * Timestep for the aerosol model (in seconds) Enter INTEGER value: 1.3.1.5 Integrated Scheme Type * Specify the type of timestep scheme Select SINGLE option: Explicit Implicit Semi-implicit Semi-analytic Impact solver Back Euler Newton Raphson Rosenbrock Other - please specify: 1.4.1 Meteorological Forcings 1.4.1.1 Variables 3D $Three\ dimensional\ forcing\ variables,\ e.g.\ U,\ V,\ W,\ T,\ Q,\ P,\ conventive\ mass\ flux$ Enter COMMA SEPERATED list: 1.4.1.2 Variables 2D $Two\ dimensional\ forcing\ variables,\ e.g.\ land\text{-}sea\ mask\ definition$ Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

1.5.1 Resolution

1.4.1.3 Frequency

Resolution in the aerosol model grid

Enter INTEGER value:

Frequency with which meteorological forcings are applied (in seconds).

1.5.1.1 Name *

This is a string usually used by the modelling group to describe the resolution of this grid, e.g. ORCA025, N512L180, T512L70 etc.

Enter TEXT:

1.5.1.2 Canonical Horizontal Resolution

 $Expression\ quoted\ for\ gross\ comparisons\ of\ resolution,\ eg.\ 50km\ or\ 0.1\ degrees\ etc.$

Enter TEXT:

1.5.1.3 Number Of Horizontal Gridpoints

Total number of horizontal (XY) points (or degrees of freedom) on computational grid.

Enter INTEGER value:

1.5.1.4 Number Of Vertical Levels

Number of vertical levels resolved on computational grid.

Enter INTEGER value:

1.5.1.5 Is Adaptive Grid *

Set to true if the grid resolution changes during execution.

Select either TRUE or FALSE: $\begin{tabular}{lll} \hline & True & \begin{tabular}{lll} \hline & False \\ \hline \end{tabular}$

1.6.1 Tuning Applied

Tuning methodology for aerosol model

1.6.1.1 Description *

General overview description of tuning: explain and motivate the main targets and metrics retained. Document the relative weight given to climate performance metrics versus process oriented metrics, and on the possible conflicts with parameterization level tuning. In particular describe any struggle with a parameter value that required pushing it to its limits to solve a particular model deficiency.

Enter TEXT:

1.6.1.2 Global Mean Metrics Used

List of metrics of the global mean state used in tuning model/component

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

1.6.1.3 Regional Metrics Used

 $List\ of\ metrics\ of\ regional\ mean\ state\ used\ in\ tuning\ model/component$

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

1.6.1.4 Trend Metrics Used

 $List\ observed\ trend\ metrics\ used\ in\ tuning\ model/component$

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

2 Grid

Aerosol grid

2.1.1 Top level properties

 $Aerosol\ grid$

2.1.1.1 Name

Name of grid in aerosol model.

Enter TEXT:

2.1.1.2 Overview

Overview of grid in aerosol model.

Enter TEXT:

2.1.1.3 Matches Atmosphere Grid *

Does the atmospheric aerosol grid match the atmosphere grid?

Select either TRUE or FALSE:

______ True _____ False

2.2.1 Resolution

Resolution in the atmospheric aerosol grid

2.2.1.1 Name *

This is a string usually used by the modelling group to describe the resolution of this grid, e.g. ORCA025, N512L180, T512L70 etc.

Enter TEXT:

2.2.1.2 Canonical Horizontal Resolution

Expression quoted for gross comparisons of resolution, e.g. 50km or 0.1 degrees etc.

Enter TEXT:

2.2.1.3 Number Of Horizontal Gridpoints

Total number of horizontal (XY) points (or degrees of freedom) on computational grid.

Enter INTEGER value:

2.2.1.4	Number	Of Vertical	Levels

 $Number\ of\ vertical\ levels\ resolved\ on\ computational\ grid.$

Enter INTEGER value:

2.2.1.5 Is Adap	tive Grid *	
Set to true if grid re	esolution changes during execution.	
Select either TRUE or FALSE:		
True	☐ False	

3 Transport

 $Aerosol\ transport$

3.	1	.1	Top	level	pro	perties

 $Aerosol\ transport$

3.1.1.1 Name

 $Commonly\ used\ name\ for\ the\ transport\ in\ aerosol\ model.$

Enter TEXT:

3.1.1.2 Overview

 $Overview\ of\ aerosol\ transport\ in\ aerosol\ model.$

Enter TEXT:

3.1.1.3 Scheme *

 $Method\ for\ aerosol\ transport\ modelling$

Select SINGLE option:

Uses atmospheric chemistry transport scheme
Specific transport scheme (eulerian)
Specific transport scheme (semi-lagrangian)
Specific transport scheme (eulerian and semi-lagrangian)

3.1.1.4 Mass Conservation Scheme *

 $Methods\ used\ to\ ensure\ mass\ conservation.$

Other - please specify:

Select	Select MULTIPLE options:		
	Uses atmospheric chemistry transport scheme		
	Mass adjustment		
	Concentrations positivity		
	Gradients monotonicity		

Specific transport scheme (lagrangian)

Transport by convention			
Select MULTIPLE options:			
	Uses atmospheric chemistry transport scheme		
	Convective fluxes connected to tracers		
	Vertical velocities connected to tracers		

3.1.1.5 Convention *

Other - please specify:

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 $Atmospheric\ aerosol\ emissions$

4.1.1 Top level properties

 $Atmospheric\ aerosol\ emissions$

4.1.1.1 Name

 $Commonly\ used\ name\ for\ the\ emissions\ in\ aerosol\ model.$

Enter TEXT:

4.1.1.2 Overview

 $Overview\ of\ atmospheric\ aerosol\ emissions\ in\ aerosol\ model.$

Enter TEXT:

4.1.1.3 Method *

Fires

 $Method\ used\ to\ define\ aerosol\ species\ (several\ methods\ allowed\ because\ the\ different\ species\ may\ not\ use\ the\ same\ method).$

Select	Select MULTIPLE options:		
	None		
	Prescribed (climatology)		
	Prescribed CMIP6		
	Prescribed above surface		
	Interactive		
	Interactive above surface		
	Other - please specify:		
4.1.1.4 Sources Sources of the aerosol species are taken into account in the emissions scheme			
Select	MULTIPLE options:		
	Vegetation		
	Volcanos		
	Bare ground		
	Sea surface		
	Lightning		

	Aircraft	
	Anthropogenic	
	Other - please specify:	
4.1.1.5	Prescribed Climatology	
Specify the	e climatology type for aerosol emissions	
Selec	t SINGLE option:	
	Constant	
	Interannual	
	Annual	
	Monthly	
	Daily	
4.1.1.6 Prescribed Climatology Emitted Species List of aerosol species emitted and prescribed via a climatology Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:		
4.1.1.7	Prescribed Spatially Uniform Emitted Species	
List of ae	rosol species emitted and prescribed as spatially uniform	
•	· COMMA SEPERATED list:	
4.1.1.8	Interactive Emitted Species	
List of ae	rosol species emitted and specified via an interactive method	
Enter	COMMA SEPERATED list:	
4.1.1.9	Other Emitted Species	
List of ae	rosol species emitted and specified via an "other method"	
Enter	COMMA SEPERATED list:	
4.1.1.10	Other Method Characteristics	
Character	istics of the "other method" used for aerosol emissions	
Enter	TEXT:	

5 Concentrations

Atmospheric aerosol concentrations

5.1.1 Top level properties

 $Atmospheric\ aerosol\ concentrations$

5.1.1.1 Name

Commonly used name for the concentrations in aerosol model.

Enter TEXT:

5.1.1.2 Overview

 $Overview\ of\ atmospheric\ aerosol\ concentrations\ in\ aerosol\ model.$

Enter TEXT:

5.1.1.3 Prescribed Lower Boundary

List of species prescribed at the lower boundary.

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

5.1.1.4 Prescribed Upper Boundary

List of species prescribed at the upper boundary.

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

5.1.1.5 Prescribed Fields Mmr

List of species prescribed as mass mixing ratios.

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

5.1.1.6 Prescribed Fields And Plus Ccn

List of species prescribed as AOD plus CCNs.

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

6 Optical Radiative Properties

Aerosol optical and radiative properties

6.1.1 Top level properties

Aerosol optical and radiative properties

6.1.1.1 Name

 $Commonly\ used\ name\ for\ the\ optical\ radiative\ properties\ in\ aerosol\ model.$

 ${f Enter\ TEXT}:$

6.1.1.2 Overview

 $Overview\ of\ aerosol\ optical\ and\ radiative\ properties\ in\ aerosol\ model.$

Enter TEXT:

6.2.1 Absorption

Absortion properties in aerosol scheme

6.2.1.1 Black Carbon

Absorption mass coefficient of black carbon at 550nm (if non-absorbing enter 0)

Enter FLOAT value:

6.2.1.2 Dust

Absorption mass coefficient of dust at 550nm (if non-absorbing enter 0)

Enter FLOAT value:

6.2.1.3 Organics

Absorption mass coefficient of organics at 550nm (if non-absorbing enter 0)

Enter FLOAT value:

6.3.1 Mixtures

6.3.1.1 E	xternal *
Is there exte	ernal mixing with respect to chemical composition?
Select o	either TRUE or FALSE:
☐ Tr	rue
6.3.1.2 In	nternal *
Is there inte	ernal mixing with respect to chemical composition?
Select	either TRUE or FALSE:
☐ Tr	rue
6.3.1.3 M	Iixing Rule
If there is in	nternal mixing with respect to chemical composition then indicate the mixing rule
Enter 7	FEXT:
6.4.1 In	npact Of H2o
The impac	et of H2O on aerosols
6.4.1.1 Si	ize *
Does H2O i	mpact size?
Select of	either TRUE or FALSE:
☐ Tr	rue
6.4.1.2 In	nternal Mixture *
Does H2O i	mpact aerosol internal mixture?
Select o	either TRUE or FALSE:
☐ Tr	rue
6.4.1.3 E	xternal Mixture *
Does H2O i	mpact aerosol external mixture?
Select o	either TRUE or FALSE:
☐ Tr	rue

6.5.1 Radiative Scheme

 $Radiative\ scheme\ for\ aerosol$

Overview of radiative scheme
Enter TEXT:
6.5.1.2 Shortwave Bands * Number of shortwave bands Enter INTEGER value:
6.5.1.3 Longwave Bands * Number of longwave bands Enter INTEGER value:
6.6.1 Cloud Interactions Aerosol-cloud interactions
6.6.1.1 Overview * Overview of aerosol-cloud interactions Enter TEXT:
6.6.1.2 Twomey * Is the Twomey effect included? Select either TRUE or FALSE: True
6.6.1.3 Twomey Minimum Ccn If the Twomey effect is included, then what is the minimum CCN number? Enter INTEGER value:
6.6.1.4 Drizzle * Does the scheme affect drizzle? Select either TRUE or FALSE: True False

6.5.1.1 Overview *

6.6.1.5 Cloud Lifetime *			
$Does\ the\ scheme\ affect\ cloud\ lifetime?$			
Select either TRUE or FALSE:			
True False			
6.6.1.6 Longwave Bands *			
Number of longwave bands			
Enter INTEGER value:			

7 Model

Aerosol model

7.1.1 Top level properties

 $Aerosol\ model$

7.1.1.1 Name

Commonly used name for the model in aerosol model.

Enter TEXT:

7.1.1.2 Overview *

 $Overview\ of\ atmospheric\ aerosol\ model$

Enter TEXT:

7.1.1.3 Processes *

Processes included in the aerosol model.

Dry deposition \boxtimes Sedimentation \boxtimes Wet deposition (impaction scavenging) \boxtimes Wet deposition (nucleation scavenging) Coagulation \boxtimes Oxidation (gas phase) \boxtimes Oxidation (in cloud) Condensation \boxtimes Ageing Advection (horizontal) Advection (vertical) Heterogeneous chemistry

7.1.1.4 Coupling

Nucleation

Other model components coupled to the aerosol model

Radiation

Land surface

	Heterogeneous chemistry
\boxtimes	Clouds
	Ocean
	Cryosphere
	Gas phase chemistry
	Other - please specify:
7.1.1.5	Gas Phase Precursors *
Gas phase	e aerosol precursors.
\boxtimes	DMS
\boxtimes	SO2
	Ammonia
	Iodine
	Terpene
	Isoprene
	VOC
	NOx
	Other - please specify:
7.1.1.6	Scheme Type *
	f aerosol scheme used by the aerosol model (potentially multiple: some species may be covered by one rosol scheme and other species covered by another type).
\boxtimes	Bulk
	Modal
	Bin
	Other - please specify:
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	Bulk Scheme Species * wered by the bulk scheme.
Species co	Sulphate
	Nitrate
\boxtimes	Sea salt
\boxtimes	Dust

	Ice
\boxtimes	Organic
\boxtimes	Black carbon / soot
	SOA (secondary organic aerosols)
	POM (particulate organic matter)
	Polar stratospheric ice
	NAT (Nitric acid trihydrate)
	NAD (Nitric acid dihydrate)
	STS (supercooled ternary solution aerosol particule)
	Other - please specify: