

## Guide to using Lagranto WRF

Download Lagranto for WRF from [this website](#) by clicking “trunk” and then “Download” above. Then move the tar file to whatever system/directory you would like to work in. You can then untar the file with the command:

```
tar -xvf lagranto.wrf-trunk.r25.tar.gz (or whatever the latest version is)
```

Now, cd into the new directory. You should see a file called “install.csh”. We’ll need to make a few changes to this directory. Change the following lines so they look like this:

```
set path_devel = "${PWD}/"  
set path_sync  = "${PWD}/"  
setenv FORTRAN ifort
```

Also, delete this entire section:

```
# Init netCDF library depending on the Fortran compiler  
if ( "${FORTRAN}" == "pgf90" ) then  
    module load netcdf/4.2.1-pgf90  
  
else if ( "${FORTRAN}" == "gfortran" ) then  
    module load gfortran  
    module load netcdf/4.3.2  
  
else if ( "${FORTRAN}" == "ifort" ) then  
    module load ifort/10.1.017  
    module load netcdf/4.1.1-ifort  
  
else  
    echo "Fortran Compiler ${FORTRAN} not supported... Exit"  
    exit 1  
  
endif
```

You also need to load in a few modules. Load them like so:

```
module load ncarenv; module load ncarcompilers; module load  
intel; module load netcdf
```

At this point you can run the install script with the following command:

```
./install.csh all
```

```
#
```

```
# Gary set up a "lagranto_aliases.csh" file, which changes  
# what is written below
```

```
#
```

Now navigate to `./lagranto_wrf/caltra`. Open the file `caltra.sh` and modify the 8th line like so:

```
set LAGRANTO = [your working directory]/lagranto_wrf
```

Open `./lagranto_wrf/goodies/wrfmap.sh` and make the same modification:

```
set LAGRANTO = [your working directory]/lagranto_wrf
```

Make a working directory within the Lagranto directory and move into it. This is where we will run Lagranto from. We need to make the `wrfmap.nc` file so Lagranto knows what grid our `wrfout` files are on. Create it with this command using any of your `wrfout` files:

```
../goodies/wrfmap.sh -create [wrfoutfile name]
```

The last thing you need is a file called "startf.ll" or "startf.xy" containing the trajectory start location/locations. If you have just a few starting positions you can type them in manually with the format: `[start longitude], [start_latitude], [height_agl in m]`, with each position on a new line. For instance:

```
-78.638, 35.779, 10
```

**\*note: make sure there isn't an empty line at the end of your startf file! It will make lagranto crash!**

If you want to make a matrix of many positions, you can use a python script. See an example script (`wrf_grid_startf.ipynb`) on [github](#).

Make a working directory, and use bash script `run_lagranto.sh` on [github](#) to run Lagranto. You'll need to change the user settings section. This bash script will link a set out wrf output files into your working directory, and run the `caltra` program. If you are using x/y starting positions, no changes are needed. If you are using lat/lon start positions, they first need to be converted to x/y. Uncomment the following section to convert them:

```
echo "**** Convert lat/lon starting coordinates to x/y ****"  
#../goodies/wrfmap.sh -ll2xy startf.ll startf.xy
```

After you run trajectories, the [lagranto](#) package is very useful for creating visualizations. An example code using the lagranto package can be found on [github](#) (lagranto\_trajectory\_plot.ipynb).