

# Metos3D

## model

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## 1 Model interface

Metos3D can be coupled to every (biogeochemical) model that conforms to the following interface:

```
subroutine metos3dbgc(n, nz, m, nb, nd, dt, q, t, y, u, b, d)
  integer :: n          ! tracer count
  integer :: nz         ! layer count
  integer :: m          ! parameter count
  integer :: nb         ! boundary condition count
  integer :: nd         ! domain condition count
  real*8  :: dt         ! ocean time step
  real*8  :: q(nz, n)   ! bgc model output
  real*8  :: t          ! point in time
  real*8  :: y(nz, n)   ! bgc model input
  real*8  :: u(m)        ! parameters
  real*8  :: b(nb)      ! boundary conditions
  real*8  :: d(nz, nd)  ! domain conditions
end subroutine
```

The interface decouples biogeochemical models and driver routines (ocean circulation, forcing, geometry) programmatically. It gives you the possibility to provide a free number of tracers, parameters, boundary and domain conditions. It suits well an optimization as well as an Automatic Differentiation (AD) context.

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## 2 BGC Models

Every model archive contains an `option` and a `job` directory. You can find examples of option files in the former and job files for high performance clusters in the latter. Use them as a starting point for your own work.

### 2.1 I-Cs

The Iodine (I) and Caesium (Cs) model was actually implemented to show the flexibility of Metos3D. It was used to predict the Caesium distribution after the Fukushima accident. See <http://www.ozean-der-zukunft.de/fukushima/> for more (german only).

#### 2.1.1 Equations

The model equations describe the radioactive decay of the  $I^{131}$  and  $Cs^{137}$  isotopes named  $y_1$  and  $y_2$ , respectively. The decay depends on the half-life. The tracers do not react with each other. The equations read:

$$\begin{aligned}q_1(y_1, y_2) &= \log(0.5) 360.0 / 8.02070 y_1 \\q_2(y_1, y_2) &= \log(0.5) 1.0 / 30.17 y_2\end{aligned}$$

### 2.2 N-DOP

The nutrients (N) and dissolved organic phosphorous (DOP) model is a simple and well known one among biogeochemical modelers. It is based on the model presented in [4].

#### 2.2.1 Equations

The tracers are denoted by  $y = (y_1, y_2)^T = (y_{PO4}, y_{DOP})^T$ . The biological production (the net community productivity) is calculated as a function  $f_1$  of nutrients and light  $I$ . The production is limited using a half saturation function, also known as Michaelis-Menten kinetics, and a maximum production rate parameter  $\alpha$ .

$$f_1(y_1, I) = \alpha \frac{y_1}{y_1 + K_1} \frac{I}{I + K_I}$$

Light, here, is a portion of short wave radiation  $I_{SWR}$ , which is computed as a function of latitude and season following the astronomical formula of Paltridge and Platt [3]. The portion depends on the photo-synthetically available radiation  $\sigma_{PAR}$ , the ice cover  $\sigma_{ice}$  and the exponential attenuation of water.

$$I = I_{SWR} \sigma_{PAR} (1 - \sigma_{ice}) \exp(-z K_{H2O})$$

A fraction of the biological production  $\sigma_2$  remains suspended in the water column as dissolved organic phosphorus, which remineralizes with a rate  $\lambda'_2$ . The

remainder of the production sinks as particulate to depth where it is remineralized according to the empirical power law relationship determined by Martin et al. [2]. Similar descriptions for biological production can be found in [4], [1] and [5].

Moreover the model formulation consists of a production (sun lit, euphotic) zone, with a depth of  $l'$ , and a noneuphotic zone,  $\Omega_1$  and  $\Omega_2$  respectively. The equations read

$$\begin{aligned} q_1(y) &= -f_1(y_1, I) + \lambda'_2 y_2 && \text{in } \Omega_1 \\ q_1(y) &= +\bar{\sigma}_2 \partial_z F_1(y_1, I) + \lambda'_2 y_2 && \text{in } \Omega_2 \\ \\ q_2(y) &= +\sigma_2 f_1(y_1, I) - \lambda'_2 y_2 && \text{in } \Omega_1 \\ q_2(y) &= -\lambda'_2 y_2 && \text{in } \Omega_2, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$F_1(y_1, I) = (z/l')^{-b} \int_0^{l'} f_1(y_1, I) d\xi.$$

The following table summarizes the parameters within the N-DOP model:

Symbol	Description	Unit
$\alpha$	maximum community production rate	$1/y$
$K_{H_2O}$	attenuation of water	$1/m$
$K_1$	half saturation constant of PO4	$m \text{ molP}/m^3$
$K_I$	half saturation constant of light	$W/m^2$
$\lambda'_2$	remineralization rate of DOP	$1/d$
$\sigma_2$	fraction of DOP, $\bar{\sigma}_2 = (1 - \sigma_2)$	—
$b$	sinking velocity exponent	—

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