# LMDZ tutorial: coupling with continental surface

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This tutorial focuses on the interaction between LMDZ and two different continental surface schemes: the simple "bucket" scheme, and the ORCHIDEE model in its CMIP6 version.

This document can be downloaded as a pdf file:

wget https://lmdz.lmd.jussieu.fr/pub/Training/Tutorials/Tutorial\_ORCHIDEE.pdf which should ease any copy/paste of command lines to issue.

## 1 Prerequisites

You should be familiar with setting up simulations, as described in tutorials #1 and #2. The exercises with the bucket scheme (implying "VEGET=n" in config.def) could be done in the model configuration you've worked with so far, with the model installed in sequential mode (and compiled without OR-CHIDEE). Here however you will work with the model in parallel mode. Therefore we recommend to start by doing the optional "Tutorial\_Parallel" exercice that you can download here:

```
wget https://lmdz.lmd.jussieu.fr/pub/Training/Tutorials/Tutorial_Parallel.pdf
```

You will now install the new configuration of LMDZ coupled with ORCHIDEE model, in parallel mode (the steps are similar to those in tutorial #1):

Go to the "LMDZ" folder in your \$home directory, where you have downloaded the script install\_lmdz.sh; you can always download it again if needed:

```
cd ~/LMDZ
# Only if you need to download again install_lmdz.sh :
wget https://lmdz.lmd.jussieu.fr/pub/install_lmdz.sh
chmod +x install_lmdz.sh
```

Run the install\_lmdz.sh script, with -veg CMIP6 option for ORCHIDEE, with -name LMDZORpar and -parallel mpi\_omp, and also by using the NetCDF library already compiled in LMDZseq (Note: the default resolution 32x32x39 will be used, to be able to perform the exercises with BENCH32x32x39):

./install\_lmdz.sh -name LMDZORpar -parallel mpi\_omp -veget CMIP6 -netcdf ~/LMDZ/LMDZseq

# 2 The simple "bucket" scheme

#### 2.1 Running with the bucket scheme

The script install\_lmdz.sh has automatically run a simulation in the folder BENCH32x32x39, in ~/LMDZ/LMDZORpar/modipsl/modeles/LMDZ. In the config.def of this simulation you will see VEGET=y. That means that the vegetation is activated, and the soil scheme is the one provided by the ORCHIDEE model.

Save this folder for comparison of results with the following experiments, by renaming it, for example:

```
cd ~/LMDZ/LMDZORpar/modipsl/modeles/LMDZ
mv BENCH32x32x39 BENCH32x32x39_ORCHIDEE
```

We will now run the model using the simple "bucket" scheme. Prepare a new simulation folder as follows (similarly to what you've practiced in Section 5 of Tutorial 1 https://lmdz.lmd.jussieu.fr/pub/Training/Tutorials/Tutorial\_1.pdf ):

• Use the file bench\_lmdz\_32x32x39.tar.gz to create a new folder BENCH32x32x39. Rename it right away, by adding a suffix indicating the experiment type (for ex: bucket for the simple bucket scheme), then go in it. Make sure that nday=1 in run.def.

```
tar -xf bench_lmdz_32x32x39.tar.gz
mv BENCH32x32x39 BENCH32x32x39_bucket
cd BENCH32x32x39_bucket
```

 To avoid recompiling the code, just create a link to the executable you have already compiled before, and used in BENCH32x32x39 ORCHIDEE:

```
ln -s ../BENCH32x32x39_ORCHIDEE/gcm.e .
```

• Make sure VEGET=n in config.def.

Now run the model, in parallel mode, using the script bash\_parallel.sh The script requires 3 parameters : nb of MPI and of OMP processes, and the executable name :

```
./bench_parallel.sh 2 2 gcm.e
# or, with the execution log in "listing" :
./bench_parallel.sh 2 2 gcm.e > listing 2>&1
```

#### 2.2 Running with bucket scheme with imposed soil water content

Prepare a new simulation folder (for example BENCH32x32x39\_bucketISW) as above

```
    cd .. #retour dans ~/LMDZ/LMDZORpar/modipsl/modeles/LMDZ tar -xf bench_lmdz_32x32x39.tar.gz
    mv BENCH32x32x39 BENCH32x32x39_bucketISW
    cd BENCH32x32x39_bucketISW
    ln -s ../BENCH32x32x39_bucket/gcm.e .
```

- again make sure VEGET=n in config.def.
- Evaporation is computed as the potential evaporation multiplied by the aridity coefficient vbeta, which is a function of the soil water content qsol0:

```
vbeta(i) = MIN(2.0*qsol/mx_eau_sol, 1.0)
```

(here mx\_eau\_sol=150mm). So, if qsol0 is constant, vbeta is constant as well. You can fix qsol0 to a chosen value (in mm), for example 5 mm (or 10 mm), by adding in physiq.def the line qsol0=5 (or qsol0=10), that result in vbeta values typical of summertime.

Now you can run the model as indicated at point 2.1, and compare the results with those in the folder BENCH32x32x39\_bucket (compare variables in the output files histday.nc).

#### 2.3 Various prescribed values for the soil thermal inertia

You can prepare a new simulation folder as described above and run the model with various prescribed values of the soil thermal inertia. To prescribe it you need to modify the physiq.def file to specify the value for <code>inertie\_sol</code> (the default value is 2000. which corresponds to a moist soil, while 900. , for instance, corresponds to a dry soil).

Suggested variables to look at:

- turbulent fluxes for the austral summer (variables flat and sens in the LMDZ output files)
- surface temperature (tsol)

## 3 The ORCHIDEE land-surface model, CMIP6 version

## 3.1 LMDZOR(CMIP6) experiment with default options

As mentioned above, when you installed the model with the -veget CMIP6 option, it ran LMDZ using the ORCHIDEE vegetation scheme with its default options.

Go to the  $\sim$ /LMDZ/LMDZORpar/modipsl/modeles/LMDZ/BENCH32x32x39\_ORCHIDEE directory and review its contents

 Check in orchide.def the following keys that allow activating various recent options of OR-CHIDEE:

Description of some keys of ORCHIDEE relevant for the atmosphere land-surface interactions

```
ALB_BG_MODIS=y and ALB_BG_FILE = alb_bg.nc
    allows using the background albedo optimized with MODIS;

ROUGH_DYN=y : accounts for dynamic roughness heights;

OK_FREEZE=y : activates the complete soil freezing scheme;

DEPTH_MAX_T=90 : sets the maximum depth of the soil thermodynamics to 90m;

OK_EXPLICITSNOW=y : activates explicit, intermediate complexity scheme for the snow layer;

DO_RSOIL activates the resistance to bare soil evaporation (=n by default).
```

• Also note in orchidee.def the flag HYDROL\_CWRR set to y in order to use the multi-layer (11) hydrology in ORCHIDEE instead of an older 2-layer scheme.

You can rename the initial condition files found in the folder, as you'll only use them in Section 3.4:

```
mv sechiba_rest_in.nc sechiba_rest_in_spinup.nc
mv stomate rest in.nc stomate rest in spinup.nc
```

BENCH32x32x39\_ORCHIDEE is now your reference folder to run simulations with ORCHIDEE-CMIP6, with vegetation activated. We recommend you start each of the following experiments by copying it under an informative name.

#### 3.2 Output control

You can do this exercise separately, or combined with one of the following exercises.

The number of simulation days, set in run.def, is nday=1. It can be increased to 5day, that is, equal to the value indicated for "histmth" file in config.def, in the line 'phys\_out\_filetimesteps' (if nday is smaller than this value, then the LMDZ output file histmth.nc will be empty).

You can play with the sechiba output frequency by changing in orchidee.def the variable WRITE\_STEP (in seconds; default: 86400 for daily output); 0 means no sechiba output; N\*86400 means output written every N days). A second output file sechiba\_out\_2.nc is for high-frequency output, modulated by WRITE\_STEP2 (default: 10800, for 3 hours).

You can change the complexity level of outputs by playing with the SECHIBA\_HISTLEVEL variable: higher SECHIBA\_HISTLEVEL means more variables in output. The variables corresponding to the various output levels are coded in

modipsl/modeles/ORCHIDEE/src\_sechiba/intersurf.f90

### 3.3 Sensitivity experiment with DO\_RSOIL

Run a sensitivity experiment with the resistance to bare soil evaporation activated. In order to do that, :

- copy the reference folder BENCH32x32x39\_ORCHIDEE to BENCH32x32x39\_ORCrsoil
- go into the BENCH32x32x39\_ORCrsoil folder
- change  $DO_RSOIL$  from "n" (default value) to "y" in orchidee.def;
- remove the old ORCHIDEE history files;

```
rm sechiba_history.nc sechiba_out_2.nc sechiba_rest_out.nc
rm stomate history.nc stomate rest out.nc
```

```
    run the model with /bench.sh,
    or /bench_parallel.sh 2 2 gcm.e ,
    or ./bench_parallel.sh 2 2 gcm.e > listing 2>&1
```

Compare the latent heat flux "flat" to the one computed in the default experiment 3.1.

### 3.4 Experiment with realistic soil moisture

Create a new experiment as in 3.3 , using for example the name BENCH32x32x39\_ORCinit for the new folder

In the previous experiments, the soil variables have been initialized independently of the atmosphere above (i.e. the soil moisture content is not realistic). In order to get realistic soil moisture the land-surface and the atmosphere have to interact for one or two years (so called spin-up). You could do it yourself but it requires a long time on the PC. Initial conditions obtained after 2 years long runs have been prepared for this exercise, and are included in the bench archive you already downloaded. The sechiba file deals with the initial conditions for the hydrology (snow comprised) and the thermics of the soil, the stomate file deals with the properties of the vegetation.

• Change back the names of the initial condition files you downloaded and renamed in Section 3.1:

```
mv sechiba_rest_in_spinup.nc sechiba_rest_in.nc
mv stomate_rest_in_spinup.nc stomate_rest_in.nc
```

• In orchidee.def replace:

```
SECHIBA_restart_in=NONE with SECHIBA_restart_in=sechiba_rest_in.nc
and
STOMATE_RESTART_FILEIN = NONE with STOMATE_RESTART_FILEIN = stomate_rest_in.nc
```

• remove the old ORCHIDEE history files

```
rm sechiba_history.nc sechiba_out_2.nc sechiba_rest_out.nc
rm stomate_history.nc stomate_rest_out.nc
```

• Run the model as usually with /bench.sh or ./bench\_parallel.sh 2 2 gcm.e

You can compare the maps of latent heat flux flat with those obtained in the "default" experiment 3.1.