Overview of Physical Parameterizations

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* Physical processes in the atmosphere

: Specification of heating, moistening and frictional terms in terms of dependent

- variables of prediction model
- \rightarrow Each process is a specialized branch of atmospheric sciences.

* Parameterization

The formulation of physical process in terms of the model variables as parameters, i.e., constants or functional relations.

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1) Concept...continued





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1.4 Cloud fraction

i) Eealier method (Slingo)

- $f = f_c$ (convective cloud, CPS) + f_i (large-scale cloud, MPS)
- f_c : depends on precipitation, \mathbf{p}_{top} , \mathbf{p}_{bottom} f_l : depends on RH = $1 - \left[\frac{1 - RH}{1 - RH_o}\right]^{0.5}$



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where RH₀ is the critical value of RH, which is optimized based on observations

ii) Advanced method (Chou)

- inclusion of ice, liquid hydrometeors as prognostic water substances

- consistent treatment of water substance for both precipitation & radiative properties.

 $f_c\;$: uses information of detrained water substances from sub-grid scale clouds in convective parameterization scheme (CPS)



 f_l use the hydrometeor information from microphysics routine (MPS), q_c, q_s, q_l, \cdots





Maximum overlapping : 0.4 Minimum overlapping : 1.0 Random overlapping : $H + (1-H)M + \{1-H-(1-H)M\}L = 0.6$

- Computation :

 τ is scaled by A_c (cloud cover) at a given layer.

- Flux for each of
$$A_r, (1-A_r) \rightarrow \text{summation}$$
 1 grid point

- Issues : $A_c = 0$ or 1 \leftarrow in WRF versus partial cloudiness in GFS : WRF has partial cloudiness recently



iii) Radiation properties



2. Land-surface processes

2.1 Concept : Surface layer + soil model



Atmospheric surface layer : the lowest part of the atmospheric boundary layer (typically about a tenth of the height of the BL) where mechanical (shear) generation of turbulence exceeds buoyant generation or consumption. Turbulent fluxes and stress are nearly constant with height.

→ In atmospheric models, it is defined the height of the lowest model level.

2.2 Surface layer parameterization

Surface layer schemes calculate friction velocities and exchange coefficients that enable the calculation of surface heat and moisture fluxes by the land-surface models. These fluxes provide a lower boundary condition for the vertical transport done in the PBL Schemes.

Over water surfaces, the surface fluxes and surface diagnostic fields are computed in the surface layer scheme itself. Sea surface temperature can be predicted by the surface energy budget and mixed layer mixing





12 type data set

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United States Geological Survey's (USGS)

20 min



2.4 Vegetation type $\rightarrow z_0$, Albedo





3. Vertical diffusion (PBL)

3.1 Concept

- computes the parameterized effects of vertical turbulent eddy diffusion of momentum, water vapor and sensible heat fluxes



3.3 Classifications : how to determine, k_c i) Local diffusion (Louis 1979)

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (-\overline{wc}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (k_c \frac{\partial c}{\partial z}) \quad k_c: \text{ diffusivity, } k_m, k_t = l^2 f_{m,t}(Ri) \left| \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} \right|$$

ii) Nonlocal diffusion (Troen and Mahrt 1986)

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (-\overline{wc}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (k_c (\frac{\partial c}{\partial z} - \gamma_c)) \\ k_{zm} = kw_s z(1 - \frac{z}{h})^{\rho}, h = R_{ther} \frac{\theta_m}{g} \frac{U^2(h)}{(\theta_v(h) - \theta_s)} \\ \theta_s = \theta_{va} + \theta_T (= b \frac{\overline{(\theta_v'w')}_0}{w_s}), w_s = u_s \phi_m^{-1}$$

iii) Eddy mass-flux diffusion (Siebesma et al. 2007)

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (-\overline{w}\overline{c}) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} [-k_c \frac{\partial \overline{c}}{\partial z} + M(c_u - \overline{c})]$$

small eddies strong updrafts

iv) TKE (Turbulent Kinetic Energy) diffusion (Mellor and Yamada 1982)

TKE equation :
$$\frac{\partial \overline{u_i u_j}}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial \overline{u_i u_j}}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} [\overline{u_i u_j u_k} + \frac{1}{\rho} \cdots]$$

 $\overline{u_i u_j} = > k_z = \text{ fn (TKE)}$

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4.2 Enhanced lower tropospheric gravity wave drag (Kim and Arakawa 1995)



4. Gravity Wave Drag

- GWDO : GWD induced by sub-grid scale orography ٠
- GWDC : GWD induced by precipitating deep convection

4.1 Concept

This scheme (GWDO) includes the effect of mountain induced gravity wave drag from sub-grid scale orography including convective breaking, shear breaking and the presence of critical levels. Effects are strong in the presence of strong vertical wind shear and thermally stable layer.



* In smoothed model orography, momentum stress near mountain cannot be generated



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➔ Improves the upper level jets

(Kim and Hong, 2009)



winds (Choi and Hong, 2015)

4.4 Convective GWD (CGWD) or non-orographic GWD

CGWD parameterizations

- Chun and Baik (1998, 2002): The momentum flux spectrum for the CGWD parameterization was first analytically formulated
- Song and Chun (2005): Nonstationary parts of convective GWs were included in the parameterization
- Song and Chun (2008): Ray-based parameterization that can represent a three-dimensional propagation of GWs was developed
- Choi and Chun (2011): Two free parameters, the moving speed of the convective source and wave-propagation direction, were determined

Jet/Front GWD parameterizations

- At this moment, there is no source-level momentum flux formulation of jet/front GWs, due primarily to the lack of complete understanding of generation mechanisms
- Charron and Manzini (2002), Richter et al. (2010): Frontogenesis function was adopted to diagnose the generation of frontal GWs
- * It is very rare to have this CGWD or no mtn GWD



4.5 Improvement by GWDC (Chun and Baik 1998, Jeon et al. 2010)



Precipitation Processes

Concept : precipitation algorithms (CPS and MPS)

- In real atmosphere, dynamical motion -> RH > 1 => clouds form -> produces rain
- In modeled atmosphere, RH < 1

But generate clouds by sub-grid scale motion \rightarrow requires parameterized process (it is often related to the deep convection processes) Deep convection : 2~10 km



5. Cumulus parameterization scheme

5.1 Concept

- represents deep precipitating convection and feedback to large-scale - must formulate the collective effects of subgridscale clouds in terms of the prognostic variable in grid scale

Parameterized convection **Deep convection** Subgridscale precipitation **Implicit precipitation**





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(i) Energy budget equations

$$I \text{ the scales finds across grid by } I \text{ the scales of } b \text{ the tween environment and clouds}
$$\frac{1}{\theta_{\pi}} \left((-\sigma_{\pi}) \hat{s} = -\overline{\nabla_{\mu}} (\overline{\rho_{\pi}} S) - \frac{2}{\theta_{\pi}^{2}} (\hat{\mu} S) - \overline{\nabla_{\mu}} (\frac{\partial \mu_{\pi}}{\partial z} + \rho \frac{\partial \sigma_{\pi}}{\partial z}) \hat{s}_{\mu} - L \hat{x} + \hat{Q}_{\mu}} \\ = \frac{2}{\theta_{\mu}} \sum \sigma_{\pi} \hat{s}_{\mu} - \frac{2}{\theta_{\mu}} (\sum \mu_{\pi} S) + \sum_{\mu} (\frac{\partial \mu_{\pi}}{\partial z} + \rho \frac{\partial \sigma_{\mu}}{\partial z}) \hat{s}_{\mu} + \sum_{\mu} (L(\mathcal{L}, + Q_{\mu}) - z \text{ in-cloud MSE}} \\ = \frac{1}{\theta_{\mu}} \sum \sigma_{\pi} \hat{s}_{\mu} - \frac{2}{\theta_{\mu}} \sum_{\mu} (\Delta \gamma_{\mu} S) + \sum_{\mu} (\Delta \gamma_{\mu} S) + \sum_{\mu} (L(\mathcal{L}, + Q_{\mu}) - z \text{ in-cloud MSE}} \\ = \frac{1}{\theta_{\mu}} \sum \sigma_{\pi} \hat{s}_{\mu} + \rho \frac{\partial \sigma_{\mu}}{\partial z} + \delta_{\pi} \hat{s}_{\mu} + \frac{2}{\theta_{\mu}} \hat{\sigma}_{\mu} + \delta_{\pi} \hat{s}_{\mu} + \delta_{$$$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho\bar{s} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho\bar{v}\bar{s}) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho\bar{w}\bar{s}) - \nabla \cdot (\bar{\rho}\bar{v}\bar{s} - \bar{\rho}\bar{v}\bar{s}) \\ + M_c \frac{\partial\bar{s}}{\partial z} - \sum_{d} \left(\frac{\partial M_i}{\partial z} + \rho \frac{\partial \sigma_i}{\partial t}\right) (\underline{\delta}_i - \bar{s}) - LE + \overline{\theta}_R \\ - Detraining clouds \\ \text{between the clouds} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho\bar{q} = -\nabla \cdot (\rho\bar{v}\bar{q}) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho\bar{w}\bar{q}) - \nabla \cdot (\bar{\rho}\bar{v}\bar{q} - \bar{\rho}\bar{v}\bar{q}) \\ + M_c \frac{\partial\bar{q}}{\partial z} - \sum_{d} \left(\frac{\partial M_i}{\partial z} + \rho \frac{\partial \sigma_i}{\partial t}\right) (q_i - \bar{q}) - E \\ \text{- Spectral cloud ensemble:} \\ M_c(z) = \int_0^{1} \frac{m(z,\lambda)d\lambda}{m} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Sub-ensemble} \\ \text{mass flux of between } \lambda \text{ and } d\lambda + \lambda \\ = \int_0^{1} \frac{m(z,\lambda)}{m_B(\lambda)} \\ \eta(z,\lambda) = \frac{m(z,\lambda)}{m_B(\lambda)} \end{array}$$

5.5 Other schemes

iv) Approximation

-Assume $\sigma_c \ll 1$, $s \simeq s$

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* Arakawa-Schubert type mass flux schemes

Grell scheme (1993) : Updraft/downdraft couplet without lateral mixing to find the deepest cloud Simplified AS (SAS, Han and Pan 2011): revised cloud physics from the Grell Relaxed AS (RAS, Moorthi and Suarez 1992): linearized profile function

* Other mass flux schemes : Low-level control convective schemes (Stensrud 2007)

Kain and Fritsch (2004) : CAPE based sophisticated convective plume model

Emanuel (1991) : Stochastic mixing cloud model

Tiedtke (1989) : Large-scale moisture convergence (KUO) based mass flux (ECMWF IFS model)

Gregory-Rowntree (1990): Parcel buoyancy based turbulence in cloud model (UK model)





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