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Short Course SC1.1

Data assimilation in the geosciences –

Practical data assimilation

with the Parallel Data Assimilation Framework

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PDAF Parallel
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Hands-on Example: Build an Assimilation System with PDAF

Get the tutorial code

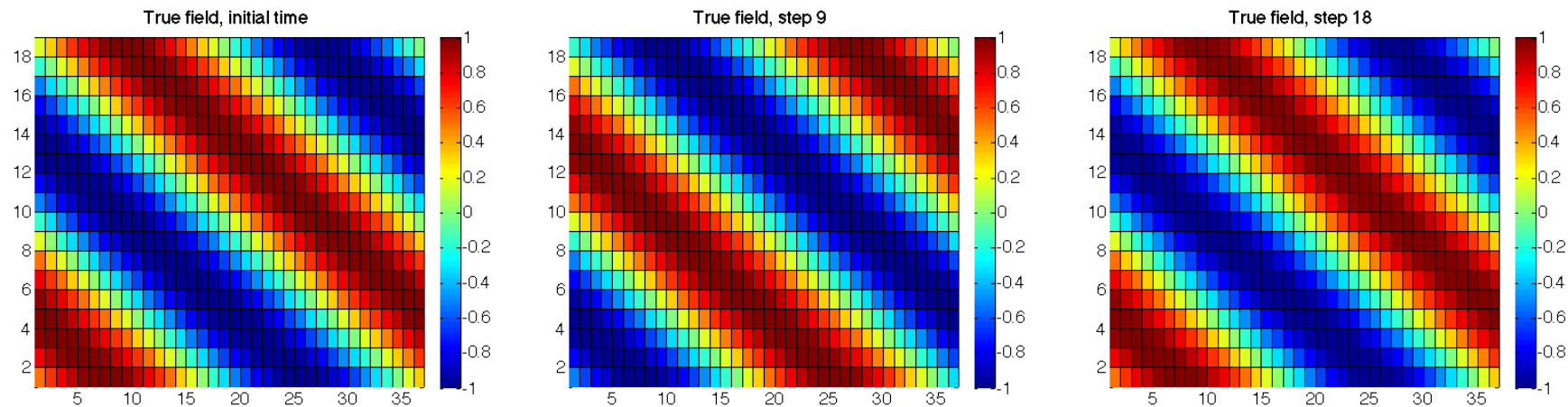
Download the tutorial

Directory layout:

<code>make.arch</code>	- build configurations
<code>src</code>	- source files
<code>tutorial</code>	
<code>online_2D_serial</code>	
<code>model</code>	- serial model code
<code>model_coupled_to_pdaf</code>	- final assimilation code
<code>pdaf</code>	- code to be added to the model
<code>online_2D_serial.noMPI</code>	- alternative code without MPI

2D „Model“

- Simple 2-dimensional grid domain
- 36 x 18 grid points (longitude x latitude)
- True state: sine wave in diagonal direction (periodic for consistent time stepping)
- Simple time stepping:
Shift field in vertical direction one grid point per time step
- Output to text files (18 rows) – `true_step*.txt`



General program structure: model/main.f90

```
program main
```

```
  initialize initialize model information:
```

- set dimensions
- allocate model field array
- read initial field

```
  integrate perform time stepping
```

- shift model field
- write new model field

```
end program
```

No parallelization!

Files in the tutorial directories

The model source code consists of the following files (`model/`):

- `main.F90`
- `mod_model.F90`
- `initialize.F90`
- `integrate.F90`
- `Makefile`

Files in the tutorial directories

The PDAF coupling code consists of (`pda_f/`)

- interface subroutines (called from the model code)
 - `init_parallel_pda_f.F90`
 - `init_pda_f.F90`
 - `assimilate_pda_f.F90`
 - `finalize_pda_f.F90`
- user subroutines (called from the PDAF library), eg.
 - `collect_state_pda_f.F90`
- “supporting” modules and subroutines (used in the interface and user subroutines), eg.
 - `mod_assimilation.F90`
 - `init_pda_f_parse.F90`

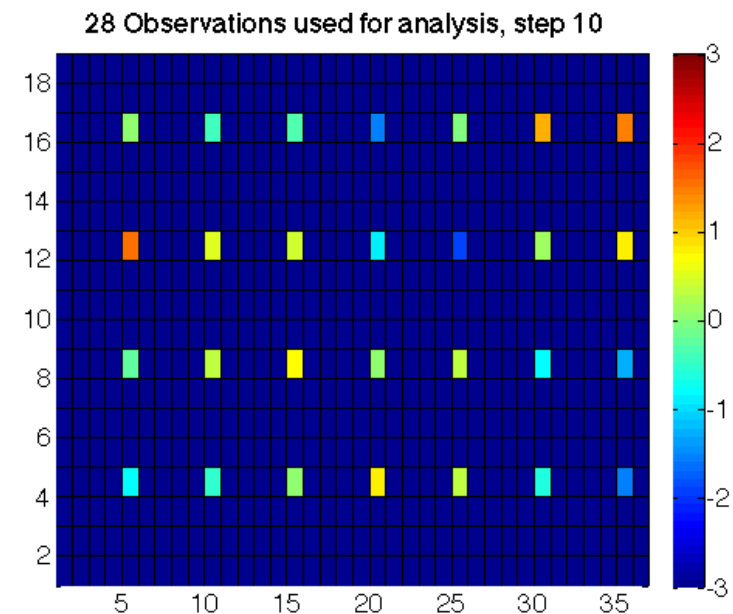
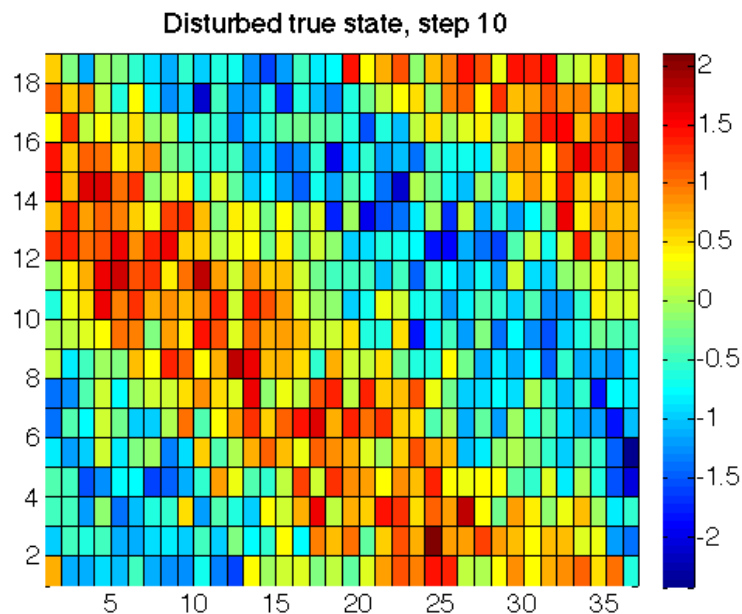
Running the tutorial model

- `cd` to `tutorial/online_2D_serialmodel/model`
- Set environment variable `PDAF_ARCH`
`export PDAF_ARCH=linux_gfortran_openmpi`
- Run `make`
- Run the model with `./model`

- Inputs are read in from `tutorial/inputs_online`
- Outputs are written in
`tutorial/online_2D_serialmodel/model`
eg. `true_step10.txt`

Observations

- Add random error to true state (standard deviation 0.5)
- Select a set of observations at 28 grid points
- File storage (in `inputs_online`):
text file, full 2D field, -999 marks 'no data' – `obs_step*.txt`
one file for each time step



Coupling the model to PDAF: Online mode

- Combine model with PDAF into single program
 - modify `Makefile` to build `model_pdaf`
- Add 4 subroutine calls:
 - `init_parallel_pdaf`- add parallelization
 - `init_pdaf` - initialize assimilation
 - `assimilate_pdaf` - perform assimilation
 - `finalize_pdaf` - clean up
- Implement user subroutines, e.g. for
 - observation operator
 - initialization of observation vector
 - transfer between state vector and model fields

<http://pdaf.awi.de/trac/wiki/OverviewOfUserRoutinesWithDefaultNames>

Online coupling: Parallelization

- Online coupling avoids writing to disk to exchange state vectors between the model and PDAF
- Add MPI to the model to run several model instances in parallel
- Run the parallel version with

```
mpirun -np <n> ./model_pdaf ...
```

- *Alternative:* PDAF's "flexible" approach:
<http://pdaf.awi.de/ModifyModelForEnsembleIntegration>
 - `cd to tutorial/online_2D_serialmodel.noMPI/model`

Files to copy from pdaf to model

`init_parallel_pdaf.F90`

`mod_parallel_pdaf.F90`

`parser_mpi.F90`

parallelization

`finalize_pdaf.F90`

clean up

PDAF interface subroutine -
called from the model

helper module/subroutine for
the interface

PDAF user subroutine - called
from PDAF library

`init_pdaf.F90`

`mod_assimilation.F90`

`init_pdaf_info.F90`

`init_pdaf_parse.F90`

`init_ens.F90`

initialization

`next_observation_pdaf.F90`

`distribute_state_pdaf.F90`

ensemble forecast

`prepoststep_ens_pdaf.F90`

post step

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Files to copy from pdaf to model

... (continued from previous slide)

assimilate_pdaf.F90

collect_state_pdaf.F90

init_dim_obs_pdaf.F90

obs_op_pdaf.F90

init_obs_pdaf.F90

prodrinva_pdaf.F90



analysis step

- Each file contains a short summary what the subroutine does

Files to be adapted in model

- `main.F90` - add calls to PDAF interface
- `integrate.F90` - add calls to PDAF interface
- Makefile** - add linking to PDAF library, PDAF interface and user subroutines

- *Reference solutions for the modified files are in `model_coupled_to_pdaf`*

- When complete, run `make` again

- Then run

```
mpirun -np 9 ./model_pdaf -dim_ens 9
```

- Outputs are written to

```
ens_<i>_step<j>_for.txt
```

```
ens_<i>_step<j>_ana.txt
```

This runs a filter without localization with ensemble size 9

Plotting

- When your coupling is working, lookt at the results
- With Matlab/Octave you can use

```
load ens_01_step02_for.txt  
pcolor(ens_01_step02_for)
```

- Or use the Python scripts

```
./plot_file.py ens_<i>_step<j>_for.txt  
./plot_ens.py <i> <j>
```

More PDAF experiments

- Find PDAF command line parameters in

```
./pdaf/init_pdaf_parse.F90
```

- Try for example

```
mpirun -np 4 ./model_pdaf -dim_ens 4
```

(this runs a filter (ESTKF) without localization with ensemble size 4; it gives a worse result than ensemble size 9)

```
mpirun -np 9 ./model_pdaf -dim_ens 9 -filtertype 7
```

(this runs a filter (LESTKF) with localization and localization radius 0, i.e. correcting only at observed grid points)

```
mpirun -np 9 ./model_pdaf -dim_ens 9 -filtertype 7 -  
local_range 5
```

(this runs a filter (LESTKF) with localization and localization radius of 5 grid points)

Feedback, Questions, more code, ...

Full PDAF package contains

- more tutorial code, more filters, and the fully implemented Lorenz-96 model and MITgcm model binding

Web site provides an extensive tutorial for self-study

For further questions

- Contact us at pdaf@awi.de
- Poster A.14, Friday 14:00–15:45 (L. Nerger)



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Slides are available online:

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