

#### DART Tutorial Section 3: DART Runtime Control and Documentation







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## DART Philosophy: configurable at run-time

Use F90 namelist facility to do this.

Each F90 module can have its own associated namelist file.

All namelists combined in a single file, *input.nml*, in *work* directory.

Documentation of modules including namelists in html files.



# Example: Changing to a multivariate filter.

models/lorenz\_63/work/

Section 1 Lorenz 63 example:

- Observed x, y, z components.
- Observation of x only impacted ensemble for x, etc.

Let's convert to a multivariate filter:

• Observations of x will impact ensembles for x, y and z.

To do this, will modify a namelist setting:

- Change will be made in file *models/lorenz\_63/work/input.nml*.
- Modification to &assim\_tools\_nml.
- Namelist parameter of interest is *cutoff*.

## Example: Changing to a multivariate filter.

#### Open a browser and look at file

assimilation\_code/modules/assimilation/assim\_tools\_mod.html

Has a variety of sections:

- Overview;
- List of other modules used;
- Public interface (how to use this in another module);
- Details of public interfaces and variables;
- Namelist (what we're interested in for now).

The namelist section lists all runtime control variables for *assim\_tools*.

- Gives description of each;
- *cutoff* controls distance to which observation has impact;

Originally very small: observation of x only impacts x.

Make it very big: all observations impact all state variables.

#### Example: Changing to a multivariate filter.

Edit *models/lorenz\_63/work/input.nml* – it contains namelists for all modules used with Lorenz 63. The program *filter* uses namelists from many modules, one of which is the *assim\_tools* namelist.

Modify *assim\_tools\_nml* namelist parameter *cutoff;* when program *filter* is run again, it will incorporate this modification.

>	&assim tools nml		Cha
Start of namelist for assim_tools module	filter_kind	=	1,
	cutoff	=	0.00001,
	sort_obs_inc	=	.false.,
	spread_restoration	=	.false.,
	sampling_error_correction	=	.false.,
	adaptive_localization_threshold	=	-1,
	distribute_mean	=	.false.,
End of namelist for assim_tools module	output_localization_diagnostics	=	.false.,
	localization_diagnostics_file	=	'localization_diagnostics',
	print_every_nth_obs	=	0

Example *input.nml.xxxxx\_default* files for each program are automatically constructed by compilation tool (Section 11). It is usually convenient to have **one** *input.nml* containing all the settings for the commonly-used programs.

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