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1. Forecast system version

System name: GloSea5-GC2-LI

First operational forecast run: 2 April 2019

2. Configuration of the forecast model

Is it a coupled model? Yes: Atmosphere, land, ocean and sea-ice.

Coupling frequency: 3-hourly coupling between atmosphere-land and ocean--sea-ice.

The coupled model Global Coupled 2 (GC2) is described in [Williams et al, 2015](#).

2.1 Atmosphere and land surface

Model	Met Office Unified Model (UM) - Global Atmosphere 6.0 Joint UK Land Environment Simulator (JULES) - Global Land 6.0
Horizontal resolution and grid	N216: 0.83 degrees x 0.56 degrees (approx 60km in mid-latitudes)
Atmosphere vertical resolution	85 levels
Top of atmosphere	85km
Soil levels	4 Level 1 : 0 - 0.1 m Level 2 : 0.1 - 0.35 Level 3 : 0.35 - 1.0 m Level 4 : 1.0 - 3.0 m
Time step	15 minutes

Detailed documentation:

[JULES documentation](#)

Global Atmosphere 6.0 & Global Land 6.0: [Walters et al, 2017](#)

2.2 Ocean and cryosphere

Ocean model	NEMO v3.4 - Global Ocean 5.0
Horizontal resolution	ORCA 0.25
Vertical resolution	L75

Time step	22.5 minutes
Sea ice model	CICE v4.1 - Global Sea-Ice 6.0
Sea ice model resolution	ORCA 0.25
Sea ice model levels	5 categories + open water
Wave model	N/A
Wave model resolution	N/A

Detailed documentation: [NEMO documentation](#), [CICE documentation](#)

Global Ocean 5.0: [Megann et al, 2014](#)

Global Sea Ice 6.0: [Rae et al, 2015.](#)

3. Initialization and initial condition (IC) perturbations

3.1 Atmosphere and land

	Hindcast	Forecast
Atmosphere initialization	ERA-Interim	Met Office Global Hybrid 4D-VAR
Atmosphere IC perturbations	None	None
Soil moisture & temperature initialization	Met Office JULES-JRA55 analysis	Met Office JULES-JRA55 analysis
Snow initialization	Met Office JULES-JRA55 analysis	Met Office JULES-JRA55 analysis
Unperturbed control forecast?	No	No

Detailed documentation:

Met Office Global Hybrid 4D-VAR: [Clayton et al, 2013](#)

3.2 Ocean and cryosphere

	Hindcast	Forecast
Ocean initialization	GloSea Ocean Sea-Ice Analysis (GS-OSIA)	Forecast Ocean Assimilation Model (FOAM)
Ocean IC perturbations	No	No
Unperturbed control forecast?	No	No

Detailed documentation:

The GS-OSIA and the FOAM system both use the Nucleus for European Modelling of the Ocean data assimilation system (NEMOVAR). This is a 3d-VAR data assimilation scheme. The GS-OSIA uses different surface forcing (ERA-interim) and observation sets as it is a historical analysis. FOAM uses surface forcing from the Met Office Global NWP model and real-time observations.

The common NEMOVAR system is described in [Blockley et al, 2014](#). Details of the GS-OSIA can be found in [MacLachlan et al, 2015.](#)

4. Model uncertainties perturbations:

Model dynamics perturbations	None
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Model physics perturbations	Atmosphere stochastic physics scheme, SKEB2
If there is a control forecast, is it perturbed?	No control

Detailed documentation:

SKEB2: Bowler et al, 2009

5. Forecast system and hindcasts

Forecast frequency	daily
Forecast ensemble size	2 per day
Hindcast years	24 (1993-2016)
Hindcast ensemble size	7 per start date
Hindcast start dates	1, 9, 17, 25 of each month
On-the-fly or static hindcast set?	on-the-fly

6. Where to find more information

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