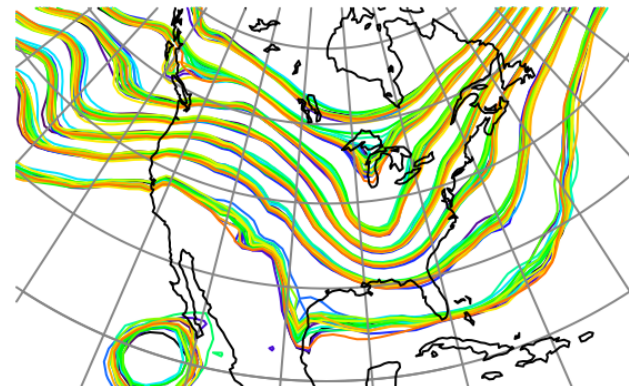




DART Tutorial Section 3: DART Runtime Control and Documentation



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DART Philosophy: configurable at run-time

Use F90 namelist facility to do this.
(In retrospect, this may have been a poor choice, but now standard).

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 *assim_tools/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;

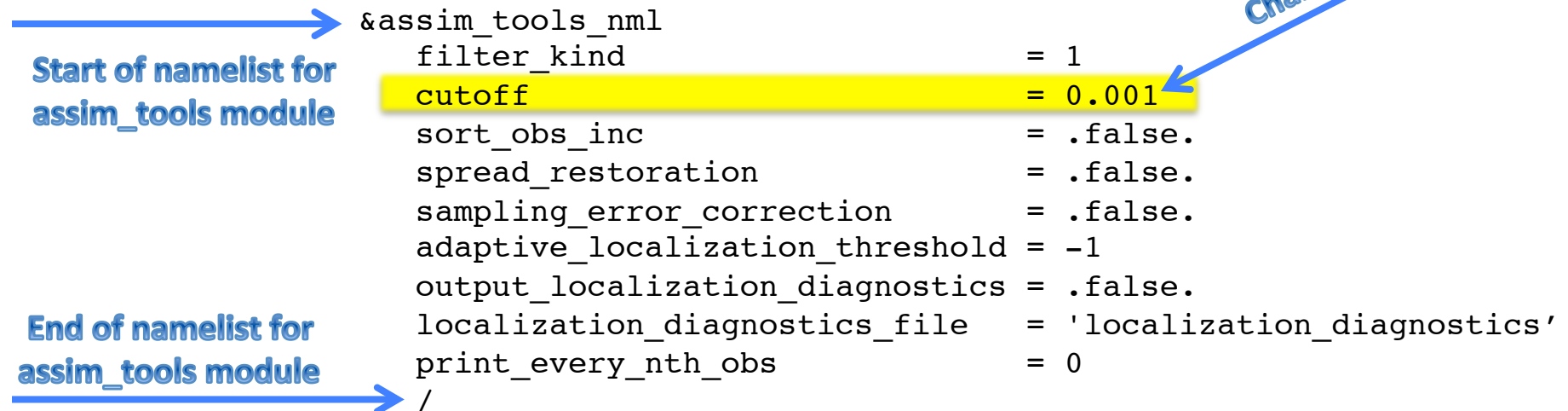
Originally very small: observation of x only impacts x .

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
  filter_kind           = 1
  cutoff                = 0.001
  sort_obs_inc          = .false.
  spread_restoration    = .false.
  sampling_error_correction = .false.
  adaptive_localization_threshold = -1
  output_localization_diagnostics = .false.
  localization_diagnostics_file = 'localization_diagnostics'
  print_every_nth_obs   = 0
/
```

Start of namelist for *assim_tools* module

End of namelist for *assim_tools* module

Change to 1000000.0

Example *input.nml.xxxxxx_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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