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#### First results from ISORROPIA-lite/TM5-MP simulations

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## Outline

- Results from TM5-MP simulations using the new ISORROPIA-lite module (i.e., the lite version of ISORROPIA module) for the year 2005 are here presented and compared to the previous model configuration (i.e., using the EQSAM).
- For new the ISORROPIA-lite configuration, extra species are accounted in the model, i.e., for
  - the coarse nitrate aerosol
  - the coarse ammonium aerosol
  - and for the accumulation and coarse insoluble modes of calcium from dust (as calculated based on mineralogy (calcite) maps. The rest of the mineral dust composition is based on Karydis *et al.*, 2016.
  - For sea spray aerosols, respectively, we assume a mass composition of 55% Cl<sup>-</sup>, 30.6% Na<sup>+</sup>, 7.7% SO<sub>4</sub><sup>=</sup>, 3.7% Mg<sup>2+</sup>, 1.2% Ca<sup>2+</sup>, and 1.1% K<sup>+</sup> (Seinfeld and Pandis, 2006).
- For the ISORROPIA-lite configuration, the thermodynamic module is called for both the accumulation and the coarse modes, in contrast to the single call when the EQSAM is used (bulk approach).
- The new ISORROPIA-lite configuration accounts also for kinetic limitations for the gas/aerosol partitioning. Thus, the amount of gases kinetically able to condense onto the aerosols within a timestep, is calculated assuming a diffusion-limited condensation. Then, ISORROPIA-lite re-distributes the masses between the gas and the aerosol phases.
- A first comparison (scatterplot) for the two model configurations with NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> observations (Alexandra Tsimpidi pesr. com., 2021) is also presented.

## **Surface Nitrate Concentrations**





Annual mean surface concentrations of  $NO_3^-$  (µg m<sup>-3</sup>) as simulated from TM5-MP for the year 2005, for the two model configurations:

- a) TM5-MP with EQSAM, TM5(EQSAM)
- b) TM5-MP with ISSOROPIA-lite, TM5(ISORL)
- c) the absolute differences, and
- d) the fraction of accumulation  $NO_3^-$  to the total for the TM5(ISORL) simulation

### **Surface Nitric Acid Concentrations**







Annual mean surface HNO<sub>3</sub> concentrations (ppb) as simulated from TM5-MP for the year 2005, for two model configurations:

- a) TM5-MP with EQSAM, TM5(EQSAM)
- b) TM5-MP with ISSOROPIA-lite, TM5(ISORL) and
- c) the absolute differences

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## **Aerosol water from deliquesced nitrates**





Annual mean surface concentrations of aerosol water from deliquesced nitrates ( $\mu g m^{-3}$ ) as simulated from TM5-MP for the year 2005, for the two model configurations:

- a) TM5-MP with ISSOROPIA-lite, TM5(ISORL)
- b) TM5-MP with EQSAM, TM5(EQSAM)

c) the absolute differences

d) the contribution of coarse aerosol water to the total.



- The simulations were here performed on the ARIS-GRNET HPC using 180 cores. •
- The model runs at a 3°x2° horizontal resolution (lon x lat) and 34 layers in the vertical, driven by meteorological fields for the ٠ year 2005 from the ECMWF ERA-Interim reanalysis, with an update frequency of 3 hours.
- Compared to the EQSAM configuration (x1), the coupling of ISORROPIA-lite (x2) does not significantly impact the overall performance of the TM5-MP standalone version (roughly 2.1 Vs 2.6 SYPD for the ISORROPIA-lite and EQSAM configurations, respectively).
- ISORROPIA-lite configuration tends to simulate higher  $NO_3^-$  concentrations compared to the previous (EQSAM) one, ٠ especially over coastal and dust regions due to the contribution of coarse mode  $NO_3^-$  aerosols.
- HNO<sub>3</sub> concentrations are simulated lower in ISORROPIA-lite configuration, affecting thus the NO<sub>3</sub><sup>T</sup> partitioning fraction (i.e., ٠ towards the particulate phase) and thus its atmospheric deposition rates.
- The model evaluation indicates that the new model configuration with ISORROPIA-lite improves the nitrate simulated concentrations compared to the previous EQSAM configuration.
- The aerosol water from deliquesced nitrates is increased in the ISORROPIA-lite configuration, with the contribution of the coarse aerosol water being calculated as rather important.

# Thank you for your attention

#### Extra slides

## Ammonia



Annual mean surface concentrations of NH<sub>3</sub> (ppb) as simulated from TM5-MP for the year 2005, for the two model configurations:

- a) TM5-MP with ISSOROPIAlite, TM5(ISOR)
- b) TM5-MP with EQSAM, TM5(EQSAM) and

c) the absolute differences.

#### Ammonium

180°

0.9 1.0

120°E

0.8





d)





Annual mean surface concentrations of NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>  $(\mu g m^{-3})$  as simulated from TM5-MP for the year 2005, for the two model configurations:

- TM5-MP with ISSOROPIA-lite, a) TM5(ISORL)
- TM5-MP with EQSAM, TM5(EQSAM) b)
- c) the absolute differences
- d) the contribution of acc. mode to total, and
- e) the contribution of coa. mode to total.