Evaluation results: Modeling & Numerical Techniques, part 2

Course details

The skill course will have a modular structure to satisfy both the need for an introduction into modeling in general and into specific areas of application.

Date: Nov 2-4, 2015
Place: MPI for Biogeochemistry, seminar room B0.002
Instructor: Axel Kleidon, MPI-BGC

5 out of 7 participants filled in the survey by December 10, 2015.

Survey results

Please assess the workshop in general.

The workshop stimulated my interest in this topic.

0%	Strongly disagree
0%	Disagree
20%	Neither agree nor disagree
60%	Agree
20%	Strongly agree

I think that the level of difficulty of this workshop is appropriate.

0%	Strongly disagree
0%	Disagree
0%	Neither agree nor disagree
100%	Agree
0%	Strongly agree

I liked the structure of the course.

0%	Strongly disagree
0%	Disagree
20%	Neither agree nor disagree
60%	Agree
20%	Strongly agree

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Overall, I am satisfied with this workshop.

0%	Strongly disagree
0%	Disagree
0%	Neither agree nor disagree
80%	Agree
20%	Strongly agree

Please assess the lectures offered by Axel Kleidon.

The context of the module was clear to me (connexion to overarching topic of the course, embeddedness in general course structure).

0%	Strongly disagree
0%	Disagree
0%	Neither agree nor disagree
80%	Agree
20%	Strongly agree

The level of detail of this module was adequate.

0%	Strongly disagree
0%	Disagree
20%	Neither agree nor disagree
80%	Agree
0%	Strongly agree

I am satisfied with the contribution of the instructor to the course.

0%	Strongly disagree
0%	Disagree
0%	Neither agree nor disagree
80%	Agree
20%	Strongly agree

Which parts of the course were especially good (and why)?

- I found all parts that I took part in interesting. Yet, the practical applications in Carlos part were great!
- I like the mixing of theory and practical work during the whole day.
- Basics of Earth system modelling: very good structure, good to understand
- The practical parst were most interesting for me, because most of it was quite new and can be useful in the future.
- Combining theory sessions with practical exercises was a good idea.

Which parts of the workshop were not so good / not so fitting / not well enough presented?

- I did not participate in all parts, so I feel not eligible to judge.
- I wished we had more practical work or maybe examples due to the topic of surface models and vegetation models. clearly, they are to complex to build them up in only a few minutes, but perhaps it is possible to show one or two modelruns each to explain how they work usually. only one morning was too less time for the water balance model.
- about the topic "land surface models" I expected more details
- The use of Excel spreadsheets seems disadvantageous to me.
- The practical exercises could be structured better..

Do you have other suggestions for a future course?

- no, I think it can be repeated like it was.
- see 4! water balance model not so detailed! maybe only one or two model configurations and two to three plots each, then so much configurations and plots. it is better to have time to take a look at the results, then just run the model and go for lunch!
- Probably it is more useful to use R for practical examples.