

# SCIENTIFIC DOCUMENTATION

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## Objectives:

1. Improve readability of the source code by developing scientific comments  
and at the same time
2. Generate automatically an up-to-date and dynamic scientific documentation



## 1.1 EVERY SUBROUTINE/MODULE HAS A HEADER

#### **4.1.1.2 subroutine diffuco\_trans\_co2()**

BRIEF : This subroutine computes carbon assimilation and stomatal conductance, following respectively Farquhar et al. (1980) and Ball et al. (1987).

. DESCRIPTION (functional, design, flags):

The equations are different depending on the photosynthesis mode (C3 versus C4).

Assimilation and conductance are computed over 20 levels of LAI and then integrated at the canopy level.

This routine also computes partial beta coefficient: transpiration for each type of vegetation.

There is a main loop on the PFTs, then inner loops on the points where assimilation has to be calculated.

This subroutine is called by diffuco\_main only if photosynthesis is activated for sechiba (flag STOMATE\_OK\_CO2=TRUE), otherwise diffuco\_trans is called.

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- Farquhar, G., S. von Caemmerer, and J. Berry (1980), A biochemical model of photosynthesis CO<sub>2</sub> fixation in leaves of C3 species, *Planta*, 149, 78–90.

FLOWCHART :

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- addition of q2m and t2m as input parameters for the calculation of Rveget
- introduction of vbeta23

## 1.2 EVERY VARIABLE HAS A LONG NAME AND UNIT

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!! INTERFACE DESCRIPTION

!! INPUT SCALAR
... :: kjpindex          !! Domain size [-]
... :: dtradia            !! Time step [s]

!! INPUT FIELDS
... :: swdown             !! Downwelling short wave flux [W/m2]
... :: temp_air            !! Air temperature [K]
... :: pb                  !! Lowest level pressure [Pa]
... :: qair                !! Lowest level specific humidity [kg/kg]
... :: q2m                 !! 2m specific humidity [kg/kg]
... :: t2m                 !! 2m air temperature [K]
... :: rau                 !! air density [kg/m3]
... :: u                   !! Lowest level wind speed [m/s]
... :: q_cdrag              !! Surface drag [m/s]
... :: assim_param          !! min+max+opt temps, vcmax, vjmax for photosynthesis [K, umol/m2/s]
... :: ccanopy              !! CO2 concentration inside the canopy [ppm]
... :: humrel               !! Soil moisture stress [-]
... :: veget                !! Type of vegetation fraction [fraction]
... :: veget_max             !! Max. vegetation fraction (LAI -> infinity) [fraction]
... :: lai                  !! Leaf area index [m2/m2]
... :: qsintveg             !! Water on vegetation due to interception [kg/m2]
... :: vbeta23              !! Beta for fraction of wetted foliage that will transpire [mm/d]

!! OUTPUT FIELDS
... :: vbeta3               !! Beta for Transpiration [mm/d]
... :: rveget               !! Surface resistance of vegetation [s/m]
... :: rstruct               !! structural resistance [s/m]
... :: cimean                !! mean intercellular CO2 concentration [umole/m2/s]
... :: vbetaco2              !! beta for CO2 [mm/d]

!! LOCAL VARIABLES
... :: vcmax                !! maximum rate of carboxylation [umol/m2/s]
... :: vjmax                !! maximum rate of Rubisco regeneration [umol/m2/s]
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*dtradia* [in] Time step (s)  
*swdown* [in] Downwelling short wave flux ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ )  
*temp\_air* [in] Air temperature (K)  
*pb* [in] Lowest level pressure (Pa)  
*qair* [in] Lowest level specific humidity (kg/kg)  
*q2m* [in] 2m specific humidity (kg/kg)  
*t2m* [in] 2m air temperature (K)  
*rau* [in] air density ( $\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$ )  
*u* [in] Lowest level wind speed (m/s)  
*v* [in] Lowest level wind speed (m/s)  
*q\_cdrag* [in] Surface drag (m/s)  
*humrel* [in] Soil moisture stress (-)  
*assim\_param* [in] min+max+opt temps, vcmax, vjmax for photosynthesis (K,  $\text{umol}/\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ )  
*ccanopy* [in] CO<sub>2</sub> concentration inside the canopy (ppm)  
*veget* [in] Type of vegetation fraction (fraction)  
*veget\_max* [in] Max. vegetation fraction (LAI -> infinity) (fraction)  
*lai* [in] Leaf area index ( $\text{m}^2/\text{m}^2$ )  
*qsintveg* [in] Water on vegetation due to interception ( $\text{kg}/\text{m}^2$ )  
*qsintmax* [in] Maximum water on vegetation ( $\text{kg}/\text{m}^2$ )  
*vbeta3* [out] Beta for Transpiration (mm/d)  
*rveget* [out] Surface resistance of vegetation (s/m)  
*rstruct* [out] structural resistance (s/m)  
*cimean* [out] mean intercellular CO<sub>2</sub> concentration ( $\text{umole}/\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ )  
*vbetaco2* [out] beta for CO<sub>2</sub> (mm/d)  
*vbeta23* [in] Beta for fraction of wetted foliage that will transpire (mm/d)

# 1.3 MAIN POINTS ARE NUMBERED TO OUTLINE THE STRUCTURE

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!! 1. Preliminary calculations
!! 1.1 Calculate LAI steps
!! 1.2 Calculate light fraction for each LAI step
!! 1.3 Estimate relative humidity of air

!! 2. Loop over vegetation types

!! 2.1 Initializations
!! 2.2 Calculate temperature dependent parameters for C4 plants
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!! 2.4 Loop over LAI steps to estimate assimilation and conductance
!! 2.4.1 Vmax is scaled into the canopy due to reduction of nitrogen
!! 2.4.2 Assimilation for C4 plants (Collatz et al., 1991)
!! 2.4.3 Assimilation for C3 plants (Farquhar et al., 1980)
!! 2.4.4 Estimate conductance (Ball et al., 1987)
!! 2.4.5 Integration at the canopy level

!! 2.5 Calculate resistances
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