# The State of CEM4 (and CCSM4)



- · Change to freezing temperature constant
- forcing height at atm plus z0+d on each tile
- · Effective porosity divide by zero fix
- X. Zeng sparse/dense canopy aerodynamic parameters
- Stability formulations
- · ground/snow emissivity
- organic soil
- init h2osoi=0.3
- snow compaction fix
- snow T profile during layer splitting fix
- new FGR12 diagnostic
- snow burial fraction
- snow cover fraction
- SNICAR (snow aging, black carbon and dust deposition, vertical distribution of solar energy)
- remove SNOWAGE, no longer used
- deep soil (15 layers), including changes for bed rock
- · Koichi ground evap (beta), stability, and litter resistance
- Swenson organic/mineral soil hydraulic conductivity percolation theory
- · Zeng/Decker Richards equation modifications
- normalization of frozen fraction of soil formulation
- · Swenson one-step solution for soil moisture and qcharge
- · changes to rsub\_max for drainage and decay factor for surface runoff
- back to old lakes and wetlands datasets
- changes to pft physiology file from CN
- possible changes to surface dataset due to CN?
- new grass optical properties
- new surface dataset from Peter Lawrence assuming no herbaceous understory
- direct versus diffuse radiation offline
- new VOC model (MEGAN)
- modification to solar radiation penetration through snow (no solar to soil if snowdp<0.1m)
- new RTM rdirc file and change to QCHANR definition
- snow-capped runoff goes to ice stream
- dust model always on, LAI threshold parameter change from 0.1 to 0.3
- daylength control on vcmax
- SAI and get\_rad\_dtime fix



# LMWG progress towards CLM4

- Soil hydrology since Breckenridge 2008 (Sakaguchi, Zeng, Swenson, Oleson, Lawrence, Niu, Yang)
  - litter resistance
  - under canopy turbulent stability
  - modified Richard's equation maintains steady state
  - tuning R<sub>submax</sub> and surface runoff decay factor
  - 1-step soil moisture and qcharge solution
  - Slightly improved soil moisture variability, surface fluxes, soil moisture stress, partitioning of ET into its components, deeper water table

# Soil moisture variability



U\_HYD-U\_CON Standard Deviation, Annual Cycle Removed (1984-2004)



Soft Water



### – Snow model

- snow density dependent snow cover fraction parameterization
- snow burial fraction for short vegetation
- adopt SNICAR

snow age

vertically resolved heating in snowpack (snowdp > 0.1m)

aerosol deposition (dust, black carbon, organic carbon) – works with bulk or modal aerosols

- snow compaction
- snow layer splitting





T<sub>air</sub>(land): RMSE 2.78°C  $\rightarrow$  2.56°C, Bias 0.59°C  $\rightarrow$  0.43°C Climate sensitivity: +0.2 to +0.3°C



# - Urban model

- Impact on climate is very small, represent heat island
- Heating/AC/wasteheat flux: +0.03 to 0.05 W m<sup>-2</sup> over land

1980-1999 Average Annual Diurnal Cycle (40.7N, 287.5E)





## - Ice stream in River Transport Model

- For snow capped regions send excess water to ice stream (poor man's ice sheet calving)
- Reduces CCSM energy imbalance by ~0.15-0.2 W/m<sup>2</sup>





# Reference height

Distance between reference height  $(z_0+d)$ and lowest atmospheric level is same for all land tiles





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- Revised surface dataset
- New grass optical properties
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- Deeper soil column (~50 m, 15 soil levels, layers 11-15 are bedrock)
- Fixed diurnal cycle of solar radiation (offline)
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- New surface dataset revised assumptions about how to treat herbaceous understory when assigning PFTs from MODIS
- New grass optical properties
  NIR White

Bias = 5.6, 
$$RMSE = 8.9$$



Bias = 1.0, RMSE = 4.5



#### Land cover change impact on albedo

CLM3.5 dataset

**OBS** 



CLM4 dataset



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# **Direct vs diffuse radiation (offline)**



Relationship derived from CAM3.5 hourly data

Separate relationships for visible and near infrared

Affects photosynthesis and increases consistency between online (CAM/CLM) and offlin (CLM only) simulations



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	Latent Heat Flux		Sensible Heat Flux	
	r	RMSE (W/m²)	r	RMSE (W/m²)
CLM3	0.54	72	0.73	91
CLM3.5	0.80	50	0.79	65
CLM4	0.80	48	0.84	58



# Partitioning of ET, Runoff





# CCSM4

- Track 1
  - CAM3.5; updated surface components (which are chilled)
  - Running beta 1850 and present day simulations now
- Track 5
  - CAM4 with modal aerosols (aerosol indirect effect), UW PBL scheme, Morrison/Gettleman microphysics, updated macrophysics, RRTM
  - similarly updated surface components
- Release of CCSM4
  - autumn 2009???
- A Climate Modeling Primer July 27-31st, 2009 National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, CO

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: 1 May 2009** 



- Crop model / irrigation
- Land use / land cover transitions at column / landunit level
- Integration with Integrated Assessment Models
- Spatially variable soil depth
- Soil texture heterogeneity
- (Human managed water systems)
- Dynamic wetlands
- Methane emission model
- Thermokarst / shallow lakes
- Insect outbreaks
- Numerous other carbon, nitrogen, phosphorus cycling projects

# Land use

**Goal** - Represent historical and future changes in land use (crops, pastures, cities) and their effects on energy, water, and biogeochemical fluxes



Albani et al. (2006) Global Change Biology 12:2370-2390 Hurtt et al. (2006) Global Change Biology 12:1208-1229 Challenges:

The CN approach is a starting point, but does not provide a framework to include cities or managed systems (crops, pastures) as ecosystems separate from natural ecosystems. It does not recognize specific land cover transitions.

Need a community framework: Johan Feddema (Kansas), George Hurtt (UNH), Natalie Mahowald (Cornell), Jim Randerson (UC-Irvine)





# **Diagnostics (T, P, albedo, runoff)**

TSA	modified	control	Comparison
Model	cam3_5_45sci21a	cam3_5_45cona	Summary
RMSE	2.59	2.74	-0.15
RMSE % Area	21.84	10.67	+11.17
ANN Bias	0.09	0.50	-0.41
ANN Bias % Area	24.06	9.38	+14.68
DJF Bias	-0.38	0.41	-0.79
DJF Bias % Area	14.48	11.89	+2.59
MAM Bias	0.03	0.61	-0.58
MAM Bias % Area	24.75	9.88	+14.87
JJA Bias	0.54	0.37	+0.17
JJA Bias % Area	18.97	25.19	-6.22
SON Bias	0.04	0.43	-0.39
SON Bias % Area	12.79	9.17	+3.62

