Community Earth System Model A Framework for Collaborative Research

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12 working groups – encompass both model development and applications

BioGeo-Chemistry

Polar

Land Ice

Chemistry-Climate Software Engineering

Societal Dimensions





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Paleo-Climate Whole Atmosphere

Land

Ocean

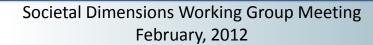
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Climate Variability and Change

http://www.cesm.ucar.edu/management







CESM Project Updates/Announcements

CESM Tutorial

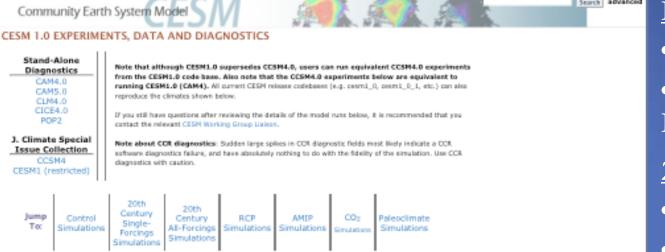
- Third Annual CESM Tutorial planned for 30 July – 3 August, 2012
- Announcement is out and applications are being accepted
- We are again targeting about 80 participants
- Thanks to Dave Bailey for chairing the organizing committee

http://www.cesm.ucar.edu/events/tutorials/073012/announcement.html



CESM Project Updates/Announcements Experiments

Information from http://www.cesm.ucar.edu/experiments/cesm1.0/index.html



CONTROL SIMULATIONS

Brief Description	Case Details	Diagnostics					Length of Run Diagnostics		
CCSM4 1° Pre-Industrial Control Case Name: b40.1850.track1.1deg.006 Data Location: ESG	Details	863-892 w/observations	Atm	Ice	Land	Ocean	CCR	Ocean Timeseries	
		863-882 - CCSM3 T85 Pre-Industrial Control	Atm	Ice	Land	Ocean			
CCSM4 1° Pre-Industrial Control (MOAR) Case Name: b40.1850.track1.1deg.006a Data Location: ESG	Details	1050-1079 w/observations	Atm	Ice	Land	Ocean		Ocean Timeseries	
CCSM4 2° Pre-Industrial Control Case Name: b40.1850.track1.2deg.003 Data Location: ESG	Details	501-530 w/observations	Atm	1ce	Land	Ocean	CCR	Ocean Timeseries	
		501-520 - CCSM3 T42 Pre-Industrial Control	Atm	Ice	Land	Ocean			

PI Controls

- •CCSM4: 1°, 2°, T31,
- •CESM1: BGC, FASTCHEM, WACCM

20C runs

- •All forcings-6 members
- •single forcings

RCPs 2.6, 4.5, 6.0, 8.5

•6 ensemble members

Paleoclimate Runs:

•Last Millenium, LGM, Mid-Holocene

Additional CESM1.0(CAM5) runs including 1° and 2° 1850, 20C and RCPs





CESM Project Updates/Announcements Experiment Data Release

Information from http://www.cesm.ucar.edu/experiments/cesm1.0/index.html

CESM Earth System Grid Collection

CCSM4 and CESM1 long-term runs and post-processed singlefield output, includes;

- CESM1 PI controls with BGC, FASTCHEM, WACCM
- Paleoclimate simulations
- CCSM4 20C and RCPs
- CCSM4 20C Single Forcing Simulations





CESM Project Updates/Announcements Experiment Data Release CMIP5 Archive

- CCSM4 atm/ocn/ice/land output:
 - Preindustrial control, historical (20C) runs, RCP runs
- Atmospheric output from CCSM4 paleoclimate runs:
 - Mid-Holocene
 - Last Glacial Maximum
 - Last Millennium (some land data also)
- Atmospheric output from 1%CO2 run available
- Atmospheric output from historical single forcing runs
- CESM1(BGC) and Decadal prediction runs coming soon
- Other runs (CESM-CAM5, etc) to follow





CCSM4/CESM J. Climate Special Collections

- •27 Papers available via AMS early-online release
- Numerous other papers in various stages of review
- Many CESM papers still in preparation
- Document major model components and numerous aspects of simulated variability and change





CESM Project Updates/Announcements Model releases:

Recent Release (last week)

CESM 1.0.4

- Capability for Interannual Forcing for data atmosphere model
- WACCMX capability (vertical extension of WACCM) through thermosphere/ionosphere ~500km)
- Released on 21 Feb, 2012
- More information: http://www.cesm.ucar.edu/models/cesm1.0/tags/index.html#CESM1_0_4





CESM Project Updates/Announcements Model releases:

Near Future Releases –

Spring (early June) Release CESM1.1.0

- Spectral Element (SE) Dynamical Core (HOMME) in CAM
- Control Runs (~1-degree) to include:
 - Short (~200 yr) control,
 - 1XCO2 run, 2XCO2 SOM runs
- Possible functionality additions: high resolution land datasets, chemistry in CAM5, orography generating tools, others





Proposal for Climate Simulation Laboratory (CSL) Computational Resources

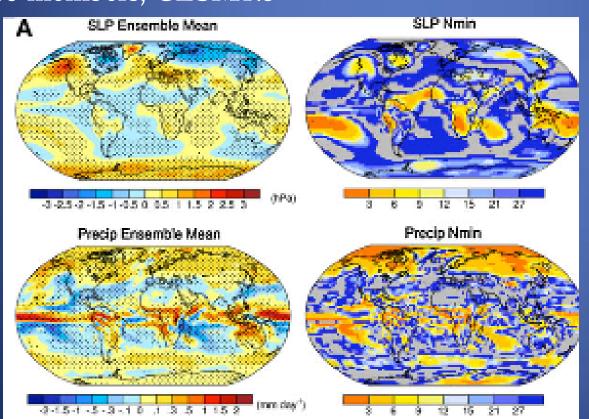
- Submitted 17 Feb, 2012
- Dedicated climate model computing facility that is supported by the USGCRP
- Yellowstone resources available at the NWSC Center – CSL proposal for August, 2012-January, 2014
- Working Groups requesting resources for Development and Production simulations
- Additional "Community Projects" are proposed
 - Broad cross-working group simulations with



Proposed Community Projects

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- 40 members, CESM-CAM5 with BGC
- 10 members, CESM-CAM5 with atmospheric chemistry
- 10 members, CESM-WACCM (2°)
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CCSM3 40-member ensemble mean epoch Differences for DJF (2051–2060 minus 2005–2014)

(Right) minimum number of members needed to detect a significant epoch difference response

From Deser et al., 2010





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High Resolution Control Integration

- Spectral Element Dynamical Core,
- 0.25° Atm, 1° Ocean/Ice
- 300-year integration

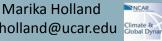




Where we are heading

- Capability for Higher Spatial Resolutions
- New Earth System Component Capabilities
- Improved Model Processes





Increasing Model Capabilities

A subset of developments underway/being considered:

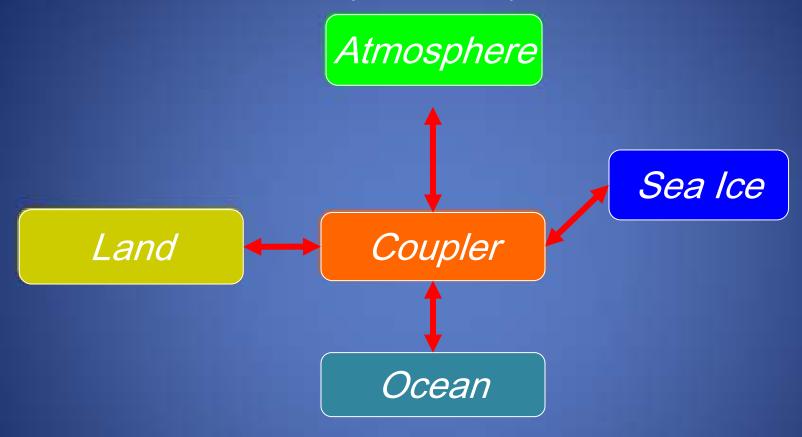
- Coupling to (Data Assimilation Research Testbed) DART, multi-instance capability
- Super-parameterization
- Ocean wave model (WaveWatch)
- Refined and regional grids
- Water and Carbon Isotopes
- New atmosphere dynamical cores
- New Land Ice dynamical cores
- And More...





Increasing Components/Capabilities

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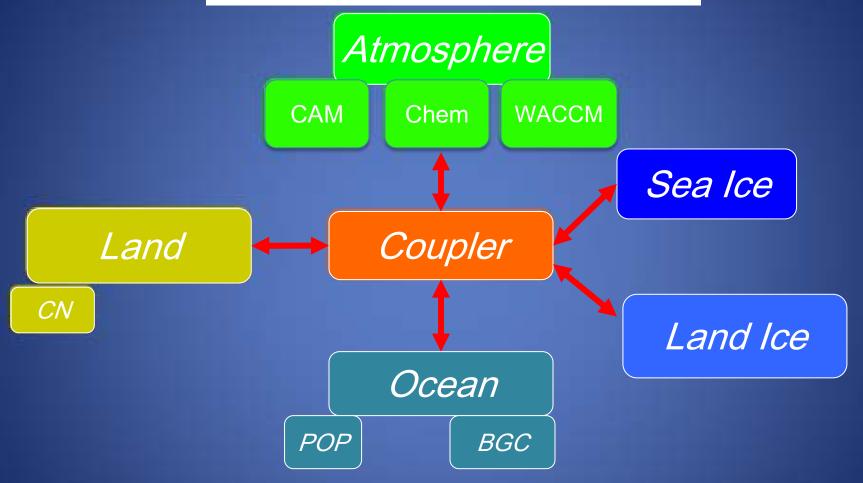






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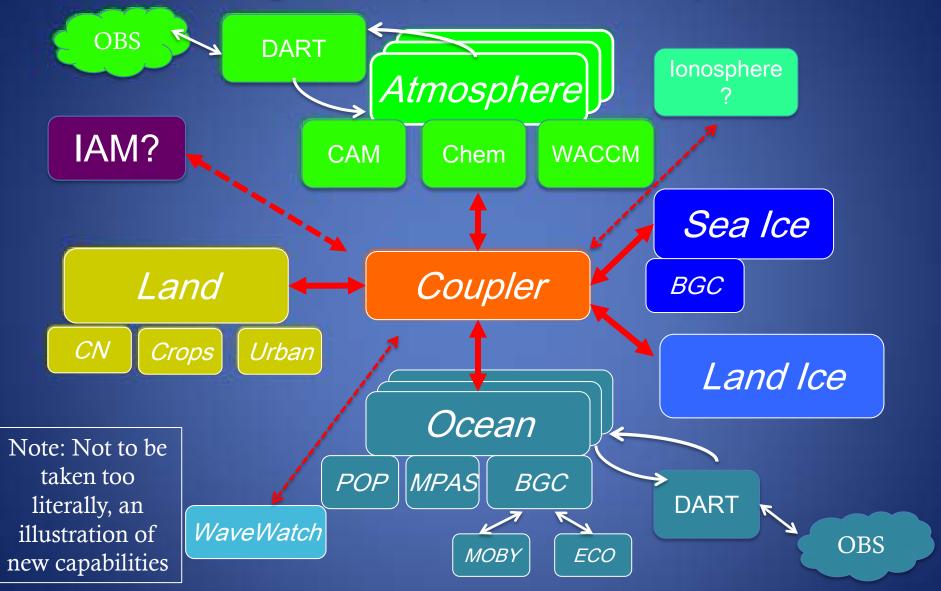
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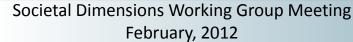




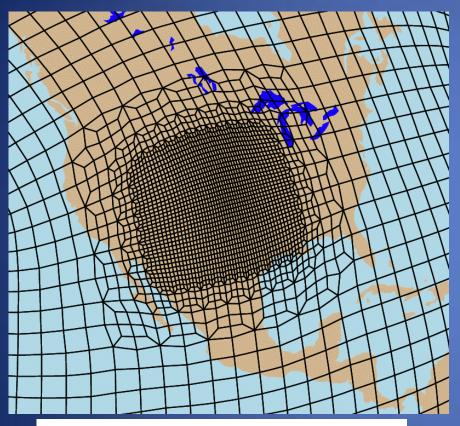
Increasing Components/Capabilities







Capability for Higher Resolution/Refined Grids



Regional refinement (1° to 1/8° over USA)

SE Progress on unstructured grids

Land can run on same grid

User sets up customized input files

as pre-build step

(new tool chain capability)

Model challenges remain –

- Need for scale-aware parameterizations
- How to appropriately couple
- Considerable development work targeted at this





New Developments Enable New Science

For Example:

- Assess the importance of new feedbacks and interactions
- Examine regional variability/change
- Assess predictability on interannual-decadal timescales
- Apply new tools to studies of climate variability and change



Questions?





Extra Slides









