



State of CESM

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CESM COMMUNITY



Worldwide use



Downloads over last 5 years



Community involvement

Code access

- ~5100 registered users 2010-2015
- 418 registered developers (SVN developers access) !!! Revised developer's policy !!!

DiscussCESM forums

- 53,688 sessions 2014- 2015
 25,971 returning user session
 - 27,717 new user sessions

Run database (https://csegweb.cgd.ucar.edu/expdb/):

• 1753 experiments entered into the database 2006-2015



CESM Tutorial

Last year: 11-15 August 2014 (A. Phillips)
>90 participants





 2015 Workshop to be held August 12-16, organized by C. Shields

• Thank you to NSF and DOE for their continuing funding



Simpler models

- Follow-up to recommendations from 2014 Breckenridge Cross-WG session
- Compsets for LC1 case with the spectral (aka Eulerian) dynamical core being tested (varying horizontal/vertical resolutions and horizontal diffusion parameters)
- Continuing work on aquaplanet configuration, including paper (Global radiative-convective equilibrium in CAM5, Reed et al., JAS, 2015)



CESM2 AND CMIP6



Timeline for CESM2





Evolution of CAM

	CAM4 CCSM4	CAM5.I CESM1.0.3	CAM5.3 CESM1.2.0	
Release	Apr 2010	June 2011	June 2013	
PBL	HB	UW	UW	
Shallow conv.	Hack	UW	UW	
Deep conv.	ZM	ZM	ZM	
Microphysics	RK	MG	MG	
Macrophysics	RK	Park	Park	
Radiation	CAMRT	RRTMG	RRTMG	
Aerosols	BAM	MAM3	MAM3	
Dynamics	FV	FV	SE	





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CAM5.5

June 2015

CLUBB

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Process for CLUBB/UNICON evaluation

- Formed an independent panel (Thank you!)
 - A. Capotondi (NOAA/CIRES)
 - S. Klein (LBNL)
 - P. Kushner (U. Toronto)
 - B. Mapes (U. Miami)
 - M. Miller (ECMWF)
- Scientific evaluation of CLUBB and UNICON in various configurations (all 1° FV): Focus on <u>coupled</u> simulations!
- Started October 2014
- Outcome in Spring 2015 was that neither were ready for prime-time (issues with ENSO were flagged)
- Changes to CLUBB and UNICON (not other components!) were made to improve ENSO and led to new assessment in May



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http://www.cesm.ucar.edu/working_groups/Atmosphere/development/cam6/CAM5.5_panel_rec_Jun15.pdf http://www.cesm.ucar.edu/working_groups/Atmosphere/development/cam6/cam5.5-process/

= New parameterization/dynamics



Next steps

- CAM5.4 and CAM5.5 only candidates for CAM in CESM2 FV 1° scientific release (and CMIP6)
- Coupled integrations with interim then final (Oct. 1) components
- Continued interest in UNICON as part of CESM2 release and further developments



Target CESM2 versions: ocean at 1°

- 1. physical climate (1°, FV, low-top) (1x)
- 2. + biogeochemistry (1°, FV, CO₂ emission and/or concentration driven, low-top) (1.6x)
- 3. + atmospheric chemistry + biogeochemistry (1°, FV, CO₂ emission driven, high-top) (8.5x)
- 4. physical climate (1/4° atm, SE, low-top) (150x)

(scaling of computational cost relative to version #1)

Notes:

- 1. Ocean at 0.1° research topic and not considered for CMIP6
- 2. Cost & scaling subject to model development and optimization



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HIGHLIGHTS



Last Millennium Ensemble: El Niño Responses: Tambora (1815) Eruption

Post-Tambora, Winter 1816/1817





Courtesy of Esther Brady



Southern Ocean

Increasing supercooled cloud liquid enables reductions in large and long-standing CESM shortwave radiation biases.



See J. Kay's talk in Southern Ocean cross-working group session will describe impacts of bias reduction on CESM climate (stronger SH jet, no ITCZ shift)



Predicted growth of Atlantic sea-ice extent in the coming decade

Yeager et al., 2015, to be submitted.

2007-2017 trends in SST and winter seaice extent from initialized decadal prediction ensemble (DP 2008) and uninitialized 20th cent. Ensemble:

Whole Arctic

Obs

CCSM4 DP





Benefits of Reduced Anthropogenic Climate changE (BRACE)

- Focuses on differences in impacts resulting from climate change driven by a higher emissions and radiative forcing scenario (the RCP-8.5 scenario) versus a lower scenario (the RCP-4.5 scenario)
- Employing CESM ensembles for RCP8.5 (40 members) and RCP4.5 (15 members) to investigate differences in impacts
- Special issue of *Climatic Change* established and under way, 20+ papers involving NCAR and 8 other institutions





Impacts of climate change and policy on air quality & health

CAM-Chem

MIT Integrated Global System Model

Integrated socioeconomic & climate projections



Climate-induced change in annual-avg. O₃ (ppb) from 2000 to 2100 under no-policy scenario



Avoided U.S. mortality under climate policy (P45,P37) relative to Reference scenario

Policy Impacts		Avoided premature			
(µg m ⁻³)		deaths (95% CI)			
Ref → P45	2050	11,000 (4,000 - 19,000)			
	2100	52,000 (19,000 - 87,000)			
Ref → P37	2050	13,000 (4,800 - 22,000)			
	2100	57,000 (21,000 - 95,000)			

From N. Selin & F. Garcia Menendez

Climate Change Impacts:

- O₃ & PM₂₅ concentrations
- AQ-related health effects

Uncertainty Sources:

- Policy and emissions
- Climate sensitivity
- Natural variability

Uncertainty Analysis:

U.S. pop.-weighted annual O_3 (ppb) under different scenarios and multiple ICs



CAM-SE-CSLAM





.08 1.12 1.16 1.2 1.24 1.28 1.32 1.36 1.4 1.44 1.48 1.52 1.56 1.5 1.54 1.68 1.72 1.76 1.8 1.84 1.88 1.92 1.96 2

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2015 CESM Distinguished Achievement Award



Community Earth System Model

Keith Moore (University of California, Irvine)



"Keith Moore has been a key member of the Biogeochemistry Working Group for over 10 years. He, with Scott Doney and Keith Lindsay, designed and assembled the first version of the biogeochemistry component of the ocean model. And he has been since involved in all further developments of this component"

