CSEG Update:

Introducing CIME

(Common Infrastructure for Modeling the Earth)

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Outline

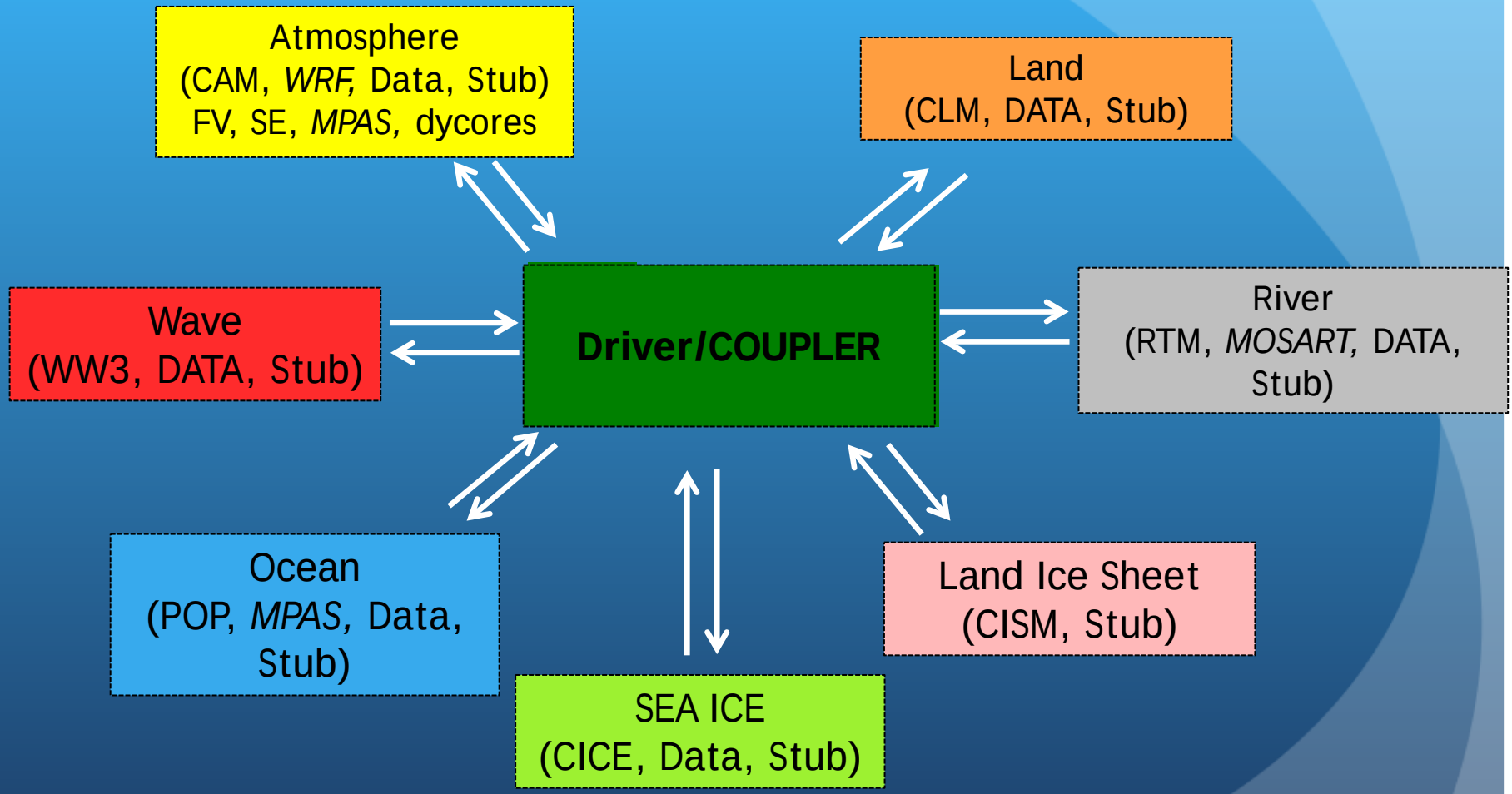
- What is the CESM Infrastructure?
- What is CIME?
- What is the current CIME status?
- What are upcoming CIME developments?

What is CESM Infrastructure?

CESM infrastructure

Permits flexible swtiching of

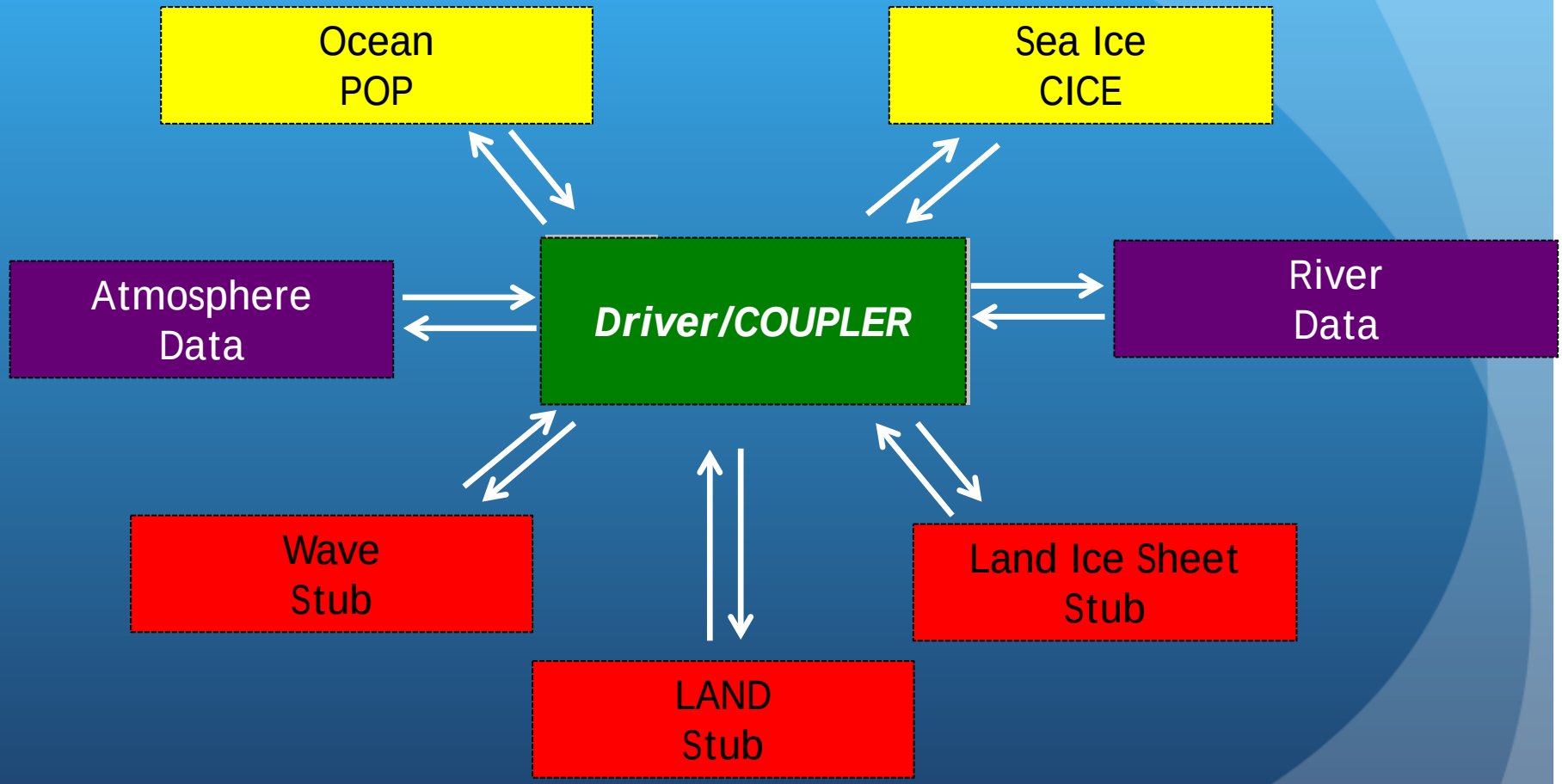
***inter- component** feedbacks – on and off*



In past infrastructure (no IP) tied to science development (has IP)

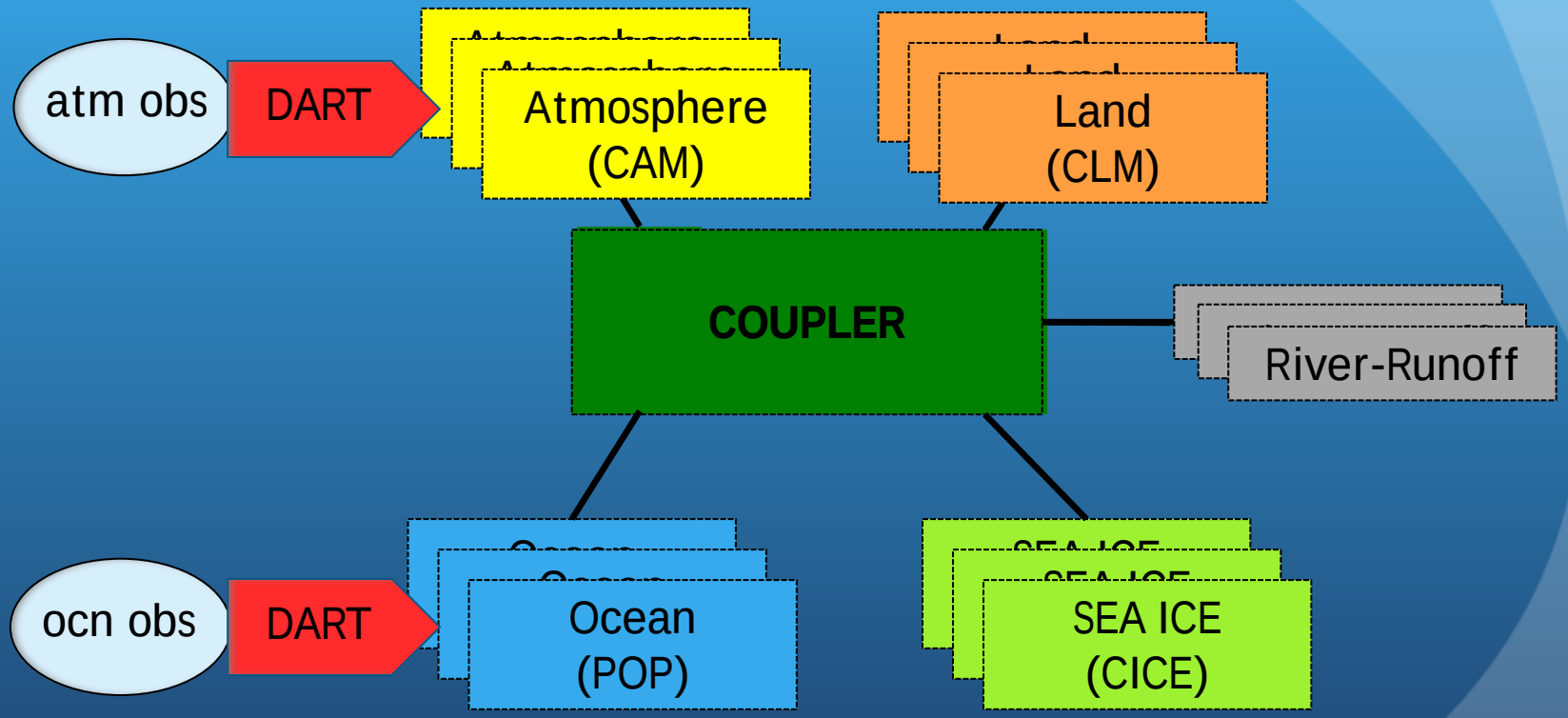
CESM infrastructure

Example of core ocean-ice experiments



CIME coupler infrastructure

has multiple instance capability – e.g. used for Ensemble Kalman Filter data assimilation (DART)



Coupling with DART is presently file based – CESM stops and DART Modifies the atmosphere initial files and ocean restart files

(1) Driver/Coupler Infrastructure

- Targeted to provide a *flexible way to turn off feedbacks* as part of model development and turn on feedbacks for fully coupled simulations – all with ONE coupling infrastructure
- *Agnostic* as to whether a coupling component is prognostic, data or stub
- Components communicate with each other only via a *hub and spoke architecture*

(2) Scripting Infrastructure

- Provides “out-of-the box” case configuration capabilities that allow users to easily turn feedbacks on and off and create experimental configurations with the
  - Target feedbacks enabled
  - Target component grids
  - Target component configurations
- Keeps complexity in the scripts – not dependent on the users having expert knowledge of the entire system
- Provides experimental provenance

(3) Other Infrastructure Utilities

- “PIO (parallel IO)
  - used by all components
- Testing framework
  - Unit and system tests
  - Each can be run with one command
- Share code (e.g. data stream capabilities)
- Statistical Ensemble Test
- Mapping utilities
  - Leverages offline ESMF to create grid mapping files in parallel
- Timing utilities
- MCT (Model Coupling Toolkit)

What is CIME? Common Infrastructure for Modeling the Earth

Why CIME?

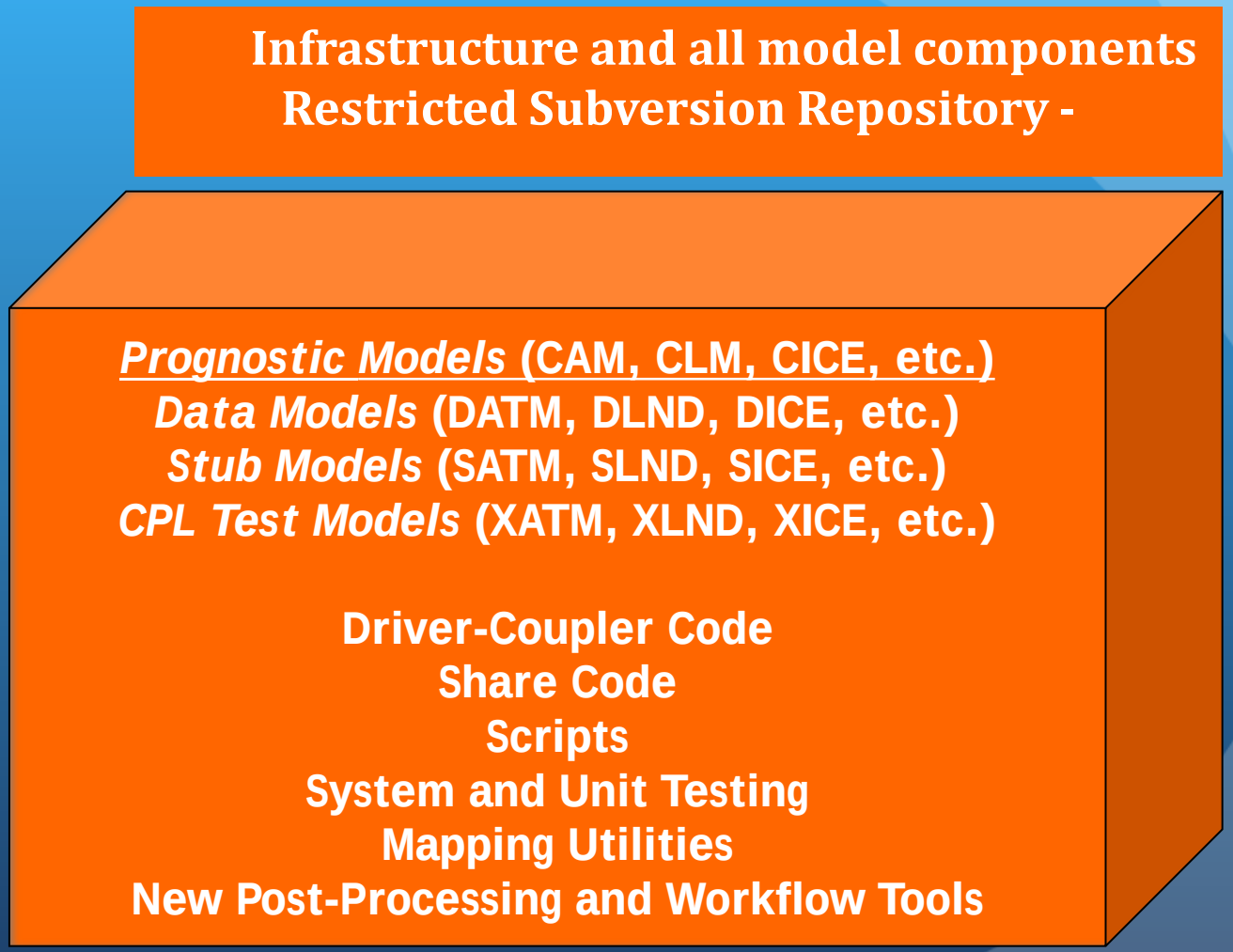
- **Facilitate future infrastructure modernization as a collaborative project (e.g. CESM infrastructure)**
- **Response to February summit of US Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) / Interagency Group on Integrative Modeling (IGIM) as a positive outcome from the February Summit**
  - **IGIM is charged with coordinating global change-related modeling activities across the Federal Government and providing guidance to USGCRP on modeling priorities**
- **Enable separation of infrastructure *(no scientific intellectual property)* versus scientific development codes *(intellectual property that must be protected)***
- **Eliminate duplication of efforts**

Why CIME (cont)

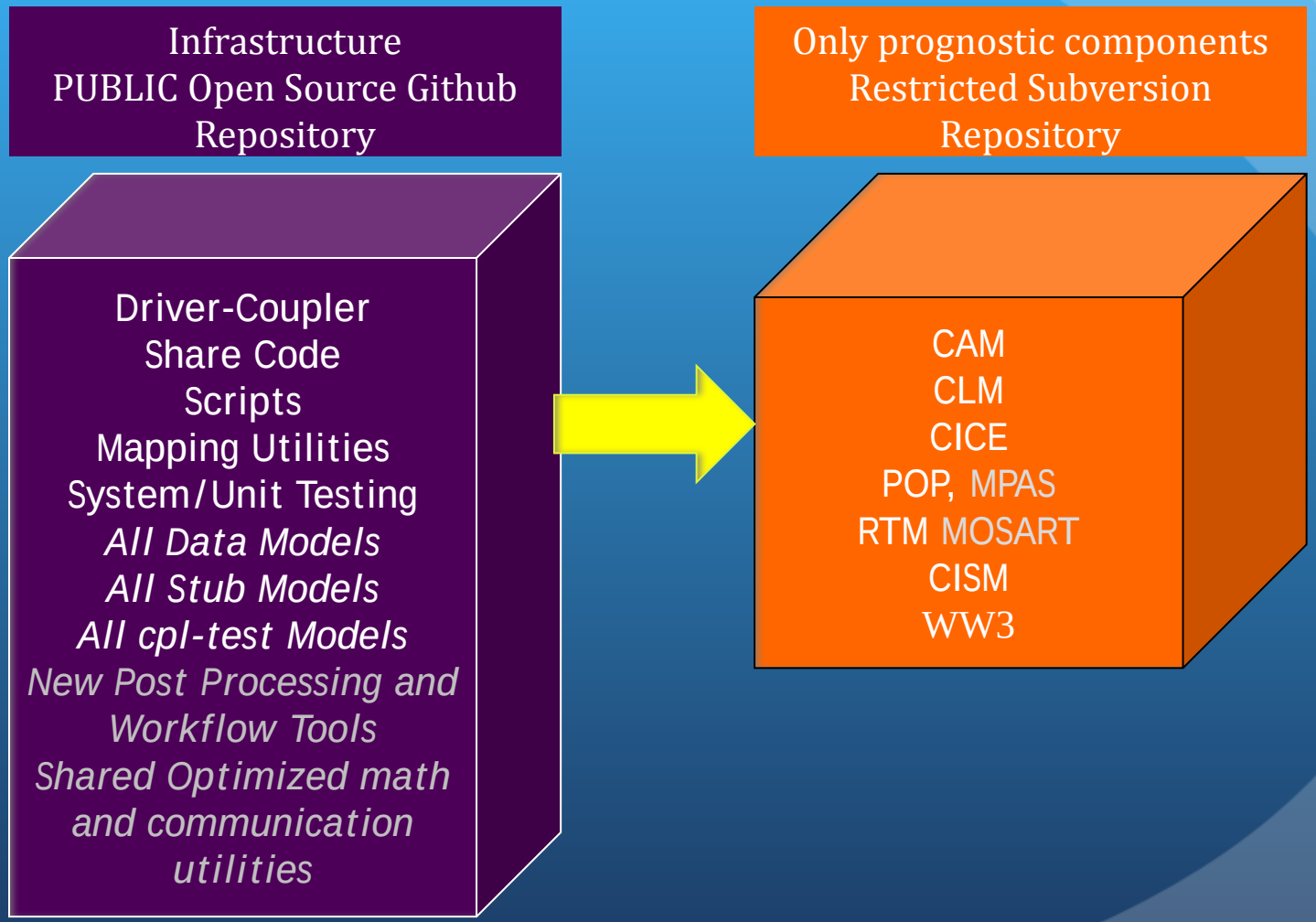
- **How can this be accomplished?**
  1. **Make ALL CESM infrastructure public**
  2. **Make ALL infrastructure development open**
  3. **Enable it to have stand-alone capability - developed and tested end-to-end as a stand-alone system (independent of prognostic components)**
- **This will facilitate AND encourage**
  - **outside collaboration**
  - **frequent feedback on infrastructure development**
  - **quick problem resolution**
  - **rapid improvement in the productivity, reliability and extensibility of the CIME infrastructure**

Old paradigm –

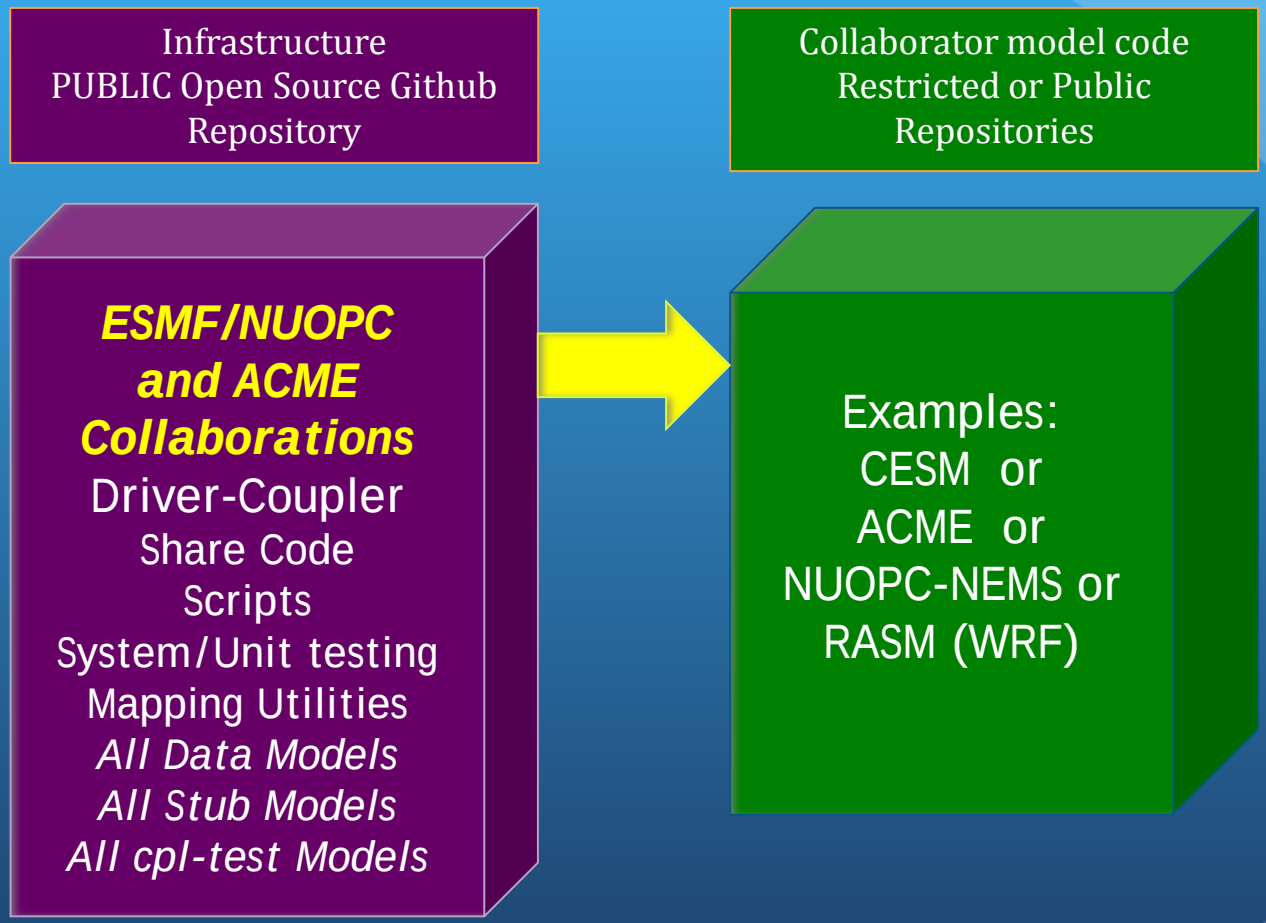
everything in ***restricted*** developer repository



New paradigm – all infrastructure is ***Open Source (public read)*** - IP still in place for prognostic components



CIME Infrastructure can be used to facilitate releases and external collaborations



What is CIME Status?

CIME Current Status

- **Stand-alone capability**
  - CIME can be developed, run and tested "stand-alone" with either all data models or all stub-models or all "test-cpl" models
  - End-to-end stand-alone development capability
- ***ALL* CIME development is in the open**
  - Updates to CIME are not are not just snapshots of a private repository. CIME developments are fully visible and anyone can grab them at any time.
- **Consolidation of separate externals**
  - Each part of CIME was previously developed independently and often led to inconsistencies. Now CIME is a ***SINGLE*** entity and ensures consistency among its various parts. This simplifies and adds robustness to infrastructure development process

CIME Status (cont)

- **New unit testing framework**
  - New unit tests in coupler
  - Framework can also be applied to prognostic components
  - CMake based – one line invocation
- **Refactored automated system tests**
  - CIME stand-alone tests accompany CIME
  - Tests to turn off feedbacks (i.e. stand-alone CAM, stand-alone CLM, stand-alone POP are now contained in prognostic component directory) – separation of concerns
- **New workflow capabilities**
  - Introduction of workflow dependencies
  - Short term archiver (movement of model data to local disk for later post-processing) run as a separate job
  - More flexible introduction of new machines

Directory Structure for CIME 2 new top level directories

- **CIME/** (coupled to prognostic components or stand-alone)
  - Driver-Coupler/ *(coupler code base)*
  - Components/data_comps *(data model code base)*
  - Scripts/ *(out of the box supported compsets, grids, pes)*
  - Machines/ *(out of the box supported machines, compilers)*
  - Externals/ *(libraries - pio, mct, gptl, …)*
  - *Post processing Diagnostics/*
- **SRCROOT/**
  - CESM: components/cam/, components/clm/……,
  - ACME: components/acme-atm, components/acme-lnd/
  - NUOPC/HYCOM: components/nuopc-hycom

Paradigm for shared development of CIME ACME/CESM collaboration

CESM gatekeeper controlled:

https://github.com/CESM-Development/cime

CESM/ACME/other gatekeeper controlled:

https://github.com/ESMCI/cime

What are upcoming CIME additions?

Upcoming additions to CIME

- New parallel IO library - PIO2
- Improved statistical ensemble tests to verify ports and model developments that are non climate changing
  - More in Allison Baker's SEWG talk
- New end-to-end workflow capabilities (post-processing capabilities as part of a model run)
  - More in Sheri Mickelson's SEWG talk
- Introduction of new share code libraries
- *"De-CESMization"* of CIME
  - Introduction of requirements and APIs to make new components CIME compatible

Upcoming Shared Code Design
new libraries that can be shared separately

- Separate general shared code library for fortran utilities
  - Provide functionality that fortran does not always provide in a standard way
  - works across a wide range of platforms and compilers
  - Stable APIs
  - Provide performance optimization where appropriate
  - Examples: random number generator, gamma function
- Separate library for scientific share code
  - Examples: saturation vapor pressure, zenith angle calculations
- Libraries would work like PIO, MCT, etc.

"De-CESMization" of CIME

CESM Compsets And Grids:
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"stand-alone" CAM
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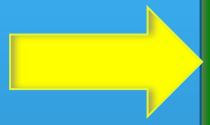
"stand-alone" POP
Core POP/CICE
"stand-alone" CISM
All Data



CESM Example
CAM
CLM
POP
CICE
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Current

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Upcoming

Goal is to encourage more community contributions and interactions in the development of CIME

Questions???
Comments???

What do you have to do to become CIME compliant

- A CIME component currently
  - must have init, run, finalize phases
  - only have *one* run phase
- Must have a CIME configuration directory for builds and "component set" definitions
- Must listen to driver for flags for stopping and writing restarts