

Progress towards a storm -resolving coupled model



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Next generation climate models:

a step change for net zero and climate adaptation





"Next generation global storm and ocean eddy resolving climate models ... will deliv more confident predictions of changes in water availability, damaging weather, how oceans take up heat and carbon, and in related impacts on natural ecosystem servic







EarthWorksis a fiveyear university based project, supported by NSF CISE, to develop a global sterressolving coupled model that uses a single uniform global grid for the atmosphere, ocean, sea ice and land surface

Earthworks consists of:

- CAM6 with the MPAS non-hydrostatic dynamical core
- MPAS ocean model developed at LANL
- MPAS sea ice model, based on CICE
- Community Land Model (CLM)
- Community Mediator for Earth Prediction Systems (CMEPS)

Earthworks will retain compatibility with evolving CESM code base and engage with the CESM research community

Goal is to make it possible for the CESM community to do very high-resolution coupled global modeling on U.S. supercomputers



GOAL:

 Capability to perform 3.75 km fully coupled simulations utilizing @Pabled components with end-to-end workflow portability across US leadership computing systems

SOME INITIAL OBJECTIVES:

- Port MPAS Ocean and Sea Ice models into the CESM framework
- Assemble a working CPU version of the EarthWorks configuration \checkmark
- Complete fully coupled simulations at relatively coarse grid resolutions \checkmark
- Test MPAS-CAM6 physics at convection-permitting spatial scales (Begun)
- Port critical-path portions of EarthWorks to GPUs (Very Good Progress)





CPU version of the EarthWorksconfiguration run at relatively coarse resolutions (e.g., 60 km)

(diagnostics available at httpd/gback.atmos.colostate.dearthworks/)

Surface Air Temperature













Total Precipitation Rate (30 km) January (Year 1, mm day ⁻¹)





Data Analysis Project Raijin

Community Geoscience Analysis Tools for Unstructured Mesh Data



For more information, see Clyne et al. poster at 2022 EarthCube Annual Meeting

Scalable Python tools for analyzing and plotting geoscience data on unstructured grids

- ★ Climate and global weather modeling communities focus (also works with regional data)
- ★ Generalizes NCAR's GeoCAT analysis package to support unstructured mesh data
- \star Builds on the ubiquitous Xarray package















0 UTC 26 April 2017 60-3 km variable-resolution mesh

3 global simulations:

- (1) Stand-alone MPAS (WRF physics)
- (2) MPAS-CAM, CAM6 physics
- (3) CAM6 physics, MG3 microphysics

See Skamarock talk at WRF-MPAS Workshop

10 14 18 22 26 30 34 38 42 46 50 54 58 62 66 70

Testing MPAS - CAM6 physics at convection-permitting scales

Central US spring test case 24 hour forecast



Reflectivity (dBZ)





Takeaways:

- CAM6 physics is stable at 3 km for this case
- MG3 is an improvement over MG2 (not shown)
- There are other issues with the initialization or the physics that need to be sorted.

(* Computed using single-moment reflectivity diagnostic)

Earthworks Computational Objectives



EarthWorks is focused on end-to-end workflow portability across leadership-computing systems to enable high-resolution weather and climate researchers to write successful large-scale computational research proposals.

Keys to enabling successful large-scale computational research proposals:

- Demonstrate application portability
 - Containers for portability of the environment:
 - Paradigms for application performance portability:
- Demonstrate scalable end-to-end workflows
 - Scalable I/O: Eliminate bottlenecks in model initialization and restart/history file output
 - Analysis: Leverage the Atmospheric Diagnostic Framework and Raijin
 - Data transfer: Globus for inter-facility transfer
 - Science gateways: e.g. containerized gateway for community data access, e.g.







Earthworks Initial Target Platforms

EarthWorks is currently pursuing workflow portability across these leadership-computing systems.

- NSF Systems:
 - \circ NCAR: Cheyenne^I \longrightarrow Derecho*
 - \circ Texas Advanced Computing Center: Frontera¹ \longrightarrow Horizon²
- **DoE Systems**:

○Argonne National Lab: ThetaGPU* → Polaris*

• NERSC: Perlmutter*











¹Intel CPU architecture

²Unknown architecture





EarthWorks testing status: Intel CPU



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EarthWorks GSRM Target





EarthWorks testing status: GPU

Component	Subcomponent	Package	GPU Porting Status	Offload Paradigm	Version Skew?	Optimized	Comments
Atmosphere			in progress				
	Dycore	MPAS-7.x	completed	OpenACC & OpenMP	merge with CAM	yes	Awaiting results of high-res scaling tests. AMD has ported MPAS from OpenACC to OpenMP
	Physics	CAM-6	in progress				
		PUMAS	completed	OpenACC & OpenMP	MG2->MG3	yes	Add new µprocesses: e.g. graupel.
		RRTMGP	completed	OpenACC	no	deferred	Need correct CPU version before benchmarking and optimizing on GPUs.
		CLUBB	in progress	OpenMP		no	Loop order refactoring for better vectorization, GPU parallelism underway. Merging physics to better represent tropical cyclones may be required.
Ocean	MPAS-O		completed	OpenACC	yes	yes	Need to test E3SW GPU versions at 60 km and merge with CPU version.
Sea-Ice	MPAS-SI		deferred				Low priority but looks doable.





Shout out to other EarthWorks-related talks



27th Annual CESM Workshop ATMOSPHERIC MODEL WORKING GROUP MEETING

Tuesday, June 14

* All times are Mountain Time

11:15	EarthWorks: Progress towards a storm-resolving coupled model	Jim Hurell
11:30	Linking the large-scale processes and the landfalling features of atmospheric rivers in non-hydrostatic CESM simulations	Xingying Huang (NCAR)
11:45	Discussion	
12:00	Optional Informal Discussion	

27th Annual CESM Workshop SOFTWARE ENGINEERING WORKING GROUP MEETING

Wednesday, June 15

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Time	Topic / Title	Speaker
8:30	Welcome and logistics	Bill Sacks & Ligia Bernardet
8:35	Update on ESMF/NUOPC coupling infrastructure in CESM	Mariana Vertenstein
9:05	Common Community Physics Package (CCPP) update	Dom Heinzeller
9:25	CESM & new technologies: clouds, containers and accelerators (GPUs)	Brian Dobbins
9:45	Enabling the execution of PUMAS on GPUs	Jian Sun
10:05	BREAK	
10:25	Development and current status of the Atmosphere Diagnostics Framework (ADF)	Jesse Nusbaumer
10:45	Fine-tuning evaluation metrics for lossy compression of CESM data	Allison Baker
11:05	Predicting optimal lossy compression settings for CESM- LENS data	Alex Pinard
11:25	Open discussion	
12:00	Adjourn; we welcome you to stay on for informal	



Summary



- MPAS ocean and sea ice have been successfully ported into the CESM framework
- Fully coupled 60 km 10-year simulation completed; 30 km simulation underway
- MPAS atmosphere and ocean can now be run on GPUs
- Once CLUBB has been ported to GPUs, CAM6 physics will run on GPUs as well
- CAM6 physics is being tested at convection-permitting scales
- Our goal is that EarthWorks will produce at least one simulated year per day on a 3.75 km grid by the completion of the project



