State of the Community Earth System Model Project

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Welcome

CESM Workshop 2024

29th Annual CESM Workshop







Reminder on UCAR Code of Conduct



In-person or Conduct Issues: Reach out to Dave or Elizabeth or UCAR Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Online issues: cesm-workshop-support@ucar.edu Nursing Room: 2668 All-gender restrooms: 2024, 3048, 3052



Some workshop logistics

In addition to all the oral science sessions

- Group photo (Monday afternoon break, in the lobby)
- Poster session and reception this evening
- Sanitas Brewery (Tuesday evening, drinks and tacos, self pay)





Wed, 4:30-5:30pm summary session

Please submit questions via Slido about the CESM Project that arise from the workshop, from discussions with colleagues, or that you just would like more info about. CESM Leadership will address them during the "end of workshop session"





Quiet Spaces



Outdoor Seating

Walking Path









Thanks!







Supporting participation for 25 ECRs

Workshop organization and support

- Elizabeth Faircloth
- CGD Admin team
- UCAR Multimedia and Events services







Thanks!



Gokhan organized 6 (!) CESM Workshops during his tenure as Chief Scientist





Forces driving the future of Earth System modeling

- Urgent need for actionable climate change information (climate risks, consequences of intervention/mitigation)
- *Earth System* prediction across timescales (ESPAT), S2S \rightarrow S2D \rightarrow 30-yr projections (ideally, seamless)
- Increasing demand for high-resolution (~0.25°) and ultra high-resolution (km-scale) configurations in modeling hierarchy
- Growth and potential of machine learning, hybrid modeling, emulators to transform models
- Changing computing architectures → need for code modernization
- Calls for improved accessibility of ESMs and output (e.g., to global south)



Image: Getty images

These drivers present many opportunities and challenges for the CESM activity





CESM high-resolution (HR) simulations

CESM1.3(HR): 0.25° atm/Ind, 0.1° ocn

500-year PI control

1%CO₂, 4xCO₂

10-member 1850-2100 transient (RCP6, RCP8.5)

All HighResMIP Coupled and AMIP 5 cycles of 1958-2018 OMIP (w/ BGC) **3-member 1970-2020 Ozone withholding 3-member 1950-2014 AMIP** Decadal Predictions (1980-2023) PaleoCWG: 60-year high- and low-CO₂ past periods

Initial simulations were performed by the International Laboratory for High-Resolution Earth System Prediction (iHESP); additional ensemble members supported by NSF MesACLiP project and NAS iPOGS



Vertically Integrated Water Vapor (IWV, in mm)





Datasets becoming available to the community

Chang et al. (2020, JAMES)

Linear trend (1980-2022) in SST



observed SST trends (no CMIP6 low res model does)

Slide from Ping Chang

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At least one ensemble member (#10) replicates observed trends pretty well

NCAR

Slide from Ping Chang

Towards ultra-high resolution (km-scale) capabilities in CESM



Goal

Develop a global coupled CESM configuration with 3.75 km resolution

- Enable research at weather-climate interface
- Understand and resolve deficiencies of lowerresolution versions of CESM
- Create training data sets for machine learning
- Investigate scale interactions
- Develop scale-aware parameterizations that work well for both 3.75 km and ~120 km grids



Collaboration between

- EarthWorks (CSU)
- StormSPEED (U. Mich, Texas A&M)
- SIMA
- CESM



Towards ultra-high resolution (km-scale) capabilities EarthWorks, SIMA, CESM collaboration



Progress

- Many technical barriers have been overcome
- MPAS dynamical core is running in CAM and applications using a regionally-refined grid from 60 km to 3 km are running
- Testing and debugging global 3.75km CAM(MPAS)-CLM



DYAMOND Simulations 40-day summer and winter (planned for this year)





Inclusion of graupel in cloud physics (PUMAS) allows CAM-MPAS simulation to represent the leading line of convection in the squall line; similar to observations and MPAS-A with WRF physics

Variable-resolution spectral element (SE) dycore grids

CESM (w/ university collaborators) has been developing a library of variable-resolution grids for various scientific applications





Herrington, Callaghan, Wijngaard, Datta, Wills

Towards a hybrid (physics + ML) version of CESM (CESM3-MLe)



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M²LINES:Multiscale Machine Learning in Coupled Earth System Modeling





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Establish systematic ML-based methodologies for calibration of Earth System Model parameters



Large CAM and CLM perturbed parameter ensembles are available



NSF NCAR priority: Earth System Predictability Across Timescales (ESPAT)

Guided by societal needs, spanning minutes to centuries



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NSF NCAR working with research community to define some near- and long-term priorities

Actionable information Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary coral vulnerability assessment

- Monthly sea surface temperature (SST) from the CESM2 large ensemble: historical + SSP3-7.0 future.
- Coral bleaching model, calculates degree heating months, assuming some coral adaptation to warming
- Calculate risk of bleaching in the future using large ensemble statistics



Florida Keys NMS CESM2-LE (historical + SSP3-7.0)





Slide from Kristen Krumhardt, collaboration with Kelly Dunning, U Wy (Conservation governance)

Task Force is promoting discussion around

- Documentation and guidance on the purposes, decisions, extended utility, and limitations of model output is needed for responsible accessibility
- Accessibility of modeling products, including data, requires transparency about the origins and development process of the products
- Whose purposes, knowledge, values, and science priorities are represented in the generation process?



Model Simulation and Data Guide?



Monica Morrison, Clara Deser, Dave Schneider



Applicability of LENS2 data: Atmospheric Rivers

Christine Shields and Monica Morrison

Model Details: CESM Large Ensemble Community Project (LENS2); 1-degree CESM 2.1.4 ; 100member ensemble, run period 1850–2100 under CMIP6 historical and SSP3-7.0

Intended Simulation Purpose: Advancing understanding of internal climate variability and climate change; research purposes

<u>Model Documentation/Creators</u>: Rodgers et al. 2021; Gokhan Danabasoglu, Clara Deser, Keith Rodgers, Axel Timmermann

Mock-up example of a guidance page



<u>Adequacy-for-Purpose</u>: For models to be adequate for simulating atmospheric rivers they need to represent: 1) synoptic characteristics, i.e., lower and upper level jets, and 2) storm impacts—precipitation location and amount—see AMS Glossary of Meteorology. Judgment: NOT ADEQUATE.

Evaluation Metrics: First-order is evaluating climatology by integrated vapor flux as monthly average; AR tracks metrics include sub-daily values for integrated vapor transport (UIVT and VIVT) or precipitable water (TMQ)

Evaluation Data: ERA5 and MERRA2 (reanalysis)

<u>Caveats and limitations</u>: A major source of uncertainty with ARs is methodological associated with differences in detection, stemming from differences in how ARs are characterized (ie., intensity, duration, frequency). See Rutz et al. (2019), O'Brien et al. (2019) and O'Brien et al. 2021. Check for methodological fitness of detection method.

Ethical Hazards: Quality of output from CESM2 and other CMIP6 models does not meet criteria for use outside of research contexts. Potential applied use with postprocessing (downscaling and bias correction, but only if GCM meets (1) and (2) above, and postprocessing is well-validated.







Working towards CESM3



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Significant updates to all component models





Atmosphere: SE dycore, enhanced vertical resolution and raised model top, updated CLUBB, PUMAS microphysics, RRTMGP, convective gustiness,

Ocean: MOM6, hybrid coordinate, variable sea level, tracer budgets within the Lab Sea, stochastic GME, isopycnal diffusion (Redi), ...

Sea-ice: advanced snow physics, grounded sea ice, and floe size distribution / wave interaction, ...

Land: updated high-res surface datasets, biomass heat storage, improved crops (planting calendars, tillage, bioenergy crop types), parameter estimation, hillslopes, ...

Land-ice: Dual polar ice sheet capability, ice-ocean interactions, basal sliding and calving schemes

Chemistry: Tropospheric UV radiation, new dust emissions, interactive fire aerosol emissions, ...





The CESM Development team is hard at work

Run	Description	Nyrs	Diags / Github	Purpose of the run + comments in red: still running
54	New baseline tag = cesm2_3_alpha16g	150	<u>#420</u>	Baseline (dust tuning dust_emis_fact = 1.3) Issue: ENSO amplitude too large + double ITCZ
64	54 + gustiness	58	<u>#440</u>	Purpose: Convective gust enhancement of U10 Gustiness reduces ENSO amplitude => Lab sea freeze around yr 50
64e,f,i,j	Start from 64 at yr 43 + perturbation	80	<u>#463</u>	Purpose: How robust is Lab Sea freeze in 64? (Lab sea freeze)
64g,h	Start from 64 at yr 33 + perturbation	80	<u>#463</u>	Purpose: How robust is Lab Sea freeze in 64?
73, 75	Cold branch	18, <mark>62</mark>	<u>#460</u>	Cold branch = more cam6-like
74, 76	Warm branch	22, <mark>41</mark>	<u>#471</u>	Warm branch = latest greatest clubb
73b,75b	Same as 73,75 starting from run 54 yr 50	63,38		Start from spunup state (Use ocn/atm spunup state - no ice/Ind spinup)
73c,75c,66c	Same as 73,75 starting from run 54 yr 50	34,34,19		Start from spunup state (Ocn/atm/Ind/ice spunup state)
64intel	Same as 64 but with new intel compiler	50	<u>#464</u>	Purpose: does new intel compile produce same climate ?

64 series: 64 reduced enso amplitude but freeze around year 50

64e,f,g,h: Perturbation of 64 to see to test the **robustness of the Lab sea freeze**.

73b, **75b**: Test whether starting from **ocean spinup state** gives the same conclusion

Cold/warm branch: create new baseline with all the desirable features to reduce ENSO amplitude and double ITCZ

- Warm branch = latest greatest CLUBB mods
- Cold branch = fallback to a cam6-like configuration

New intel compiler: testing whether the new intel compiler produces the same climate.

Addition of convective gustiness leads to improvements in ENSO



delayed in GUST, more similar to observations

The driver of these ENSO changes due to gustinesss parameterization, but the result is **better agreement with HadISST observations**

phasing with addition of GUST



Figures courtesy of R. Neale and A. Phillips

Improvements to stratospheric jets with "moving mountains" GW param

New source of gravity waves ("moving mountains")



Convection/eddy in sheared PBL flow acts like an obstacle to flow in free atmosphere



zonal wind

CAM7 Dev









Figure courtesy of Julio Bacmeister

Issues: Tropical precipitation



- CESM2 has high ECS
- CESM2 also scores at or near the top across a wide range of metrics among CMIP6 models
- But, CESM2 is far too cold in LGM (Zhu et al, 2021)
- With preliminary corrections to (1) inappropriate limiter on cloud ice number, (2) timestep dependence of cloud microphysical processes
 - CESM2 PaleoCalibr LGM cooling is within proxy estimates
 - ECS is reduced from 5.2K to 4.0K





CESM2 microphysics and Equilibrium Climate Sensitivity (ECS)





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Perspectives manuscript in prep

- CESM2 has a high ECS and simulates toocold ice age climates and too-hot warm paleoclimates
- Representation of microphysical processes in CESM is rapidly evolving and the simulated climate is sensitive to state-of-art representation of microphysics
- CESM2 has a moderate transient climate response and is appropriate for simulations of the modern climate and up to 4K warming
- Global climate models should not be evaluated exclusively according to their climate sensitivities, which are extremely uncertain and do not reflect a model's complexity

2050-2100 minus 1950-2000







Margaret Duffy, Isla Simpson, Christina McCluskey, Jiang Zhu, and many others

grey stippling: diff > than CESM2 LE range

black stippling: diff > 1σ of CMIP6 diffs



Reduced ECS in CESM3 development versions



... and early Last Glacial Maximum test implies reasonable cooling. :)



Figure Cecile Hannay

Establish systematic ML-based methodology for calibration of Earth System Model parameters




Challenges unique to land modeling

- Long simulations, slowly varying C cycle (1850-2014)
- Over 200 parameters
- Parameters have a plant species dimension
- Spatially explicit



Calibrated Leaf Area Bias Mean absolute error = **0.60**





Linnia Hawkins, Daniel Kennedy, Katie Dagon, +

Successful demonstration with CLM5.1, will apply to CLM6 when finalized for inclusion in CESM3



Simulating Alpine glaciers with the Community Ice Sheet Model

Goal



Bernese Alps, 20th century

Use the Community Ice Sheet Model (CISM) to simulate mountain glaciers and study freshwater availability and security on decadal time scales.

Figs: (Top left) Bernese Alps region of Switzerland. (Bottom) Simulated glacier ice thickness (m) in the Bernese Alps. (Left) Initial state based on forcing from the 1980s, when glaciers were roughly in balance with the climate. (Right) Retreated state after a 200-year simulation with recent climate forcing (2000–2019).





Capability available in the next CISM release (Fall 2024)



Samar Minallah, Bill Lipscomb, Gunter Leguy, Kate Thayer-Calder

As we finalize the CESM3 science configuration (soon), we will be working to resolve issues, tune the model, and run control simulations

... but, CESM2 was/is a pretty good model, so ... we'll see

Scores for pattern correlations, seasonal contrasts, and ENSO teleconnections



versions









CESM3 Timelines and CMIP7 Fast Track



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Aiming for the Mid-Top (93L to 80km) with simplified chemistry for climate as default configuration

Cost and throughput (TBD) will be important factors in CMIP7 DECK and Fast Track ... and other MIPs participation





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Open questions around inclusion of several 'Earth system' aspects for CMIP7 version of CESM3

- Emissions-driven (yes, if CO₂ trajectory is ok)
- Interactive fire emissions (possibly, recent new init method makes it more possible)
- Interactive ice sheets (if surface mass balance is 'good enough')



Sanderson et al, in review





Image: BC Wildfire Service/Handout



Proposed CESM Timelines





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A few recent CESM science highlights



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Simulating precipitation and heat extremes for past hothouse and icehouse climates with CESM1.3 HR (0.25° atm/Ind, 0.1° ocn/ice)

Tropical cyclones extend farther poleward at CO₂ levels higher than PI Deep tropics become more hostile for tropical cyclone development at high CO₂ (*Eocene & RCP8.5*) More CAT3 and stronger hurricanes (*red, orange*) in warm climates





MUSICAv0: Refined regions to match geostationary satellite constellation

Grid created to replicate Geo Constellation matching resolution of observations Comprehensive tropospheric & stratospheric chemistry with 458,000 grid points, 250 transported tracers, ~2M core-hrs/sim-year



- Emissions at higher resolution in source regions
 More realistic chemical regimes (NOx / VOCs)
 Pollution plumes more finely resolved
- •Improve simulation of intercontinental transport





Simulations some of first on new NCAR HPC "Derecho", assisted by J. Edwards and A. Herrington (NCAR/CGD)

Louisa Emmons, NCAR/ACOM emmons@ucar.edu 32 parameters in the Community Land Model 500 member perturbed parameter ensemble









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WACCM-X simulations of historical and future space climate



- Temperature and densities in the thermosphere are critical for understanding the space climate, including the lifetime of orbital satellites and debris
- SSP5.85 projection simulations using WACCM-X show a significant cooling of the thermosphere related to increasing greenhouse gases
- WACCM-X enables a unique capability to study the evolution of the space climate





Community engagement and user support



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The **CESM** Newsletter

- Additional way to communicate with CESM
 research community
- Updates on events
- Point users to new or under-advertised features of CESM
- Research highlights from across community
- Quick links to common pages (CGD Youtube, User support forum, Release pages, etc)



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January 2024 Newsletter



Welcome to our second quarterly Community Earth System Model (CESM) Newsletter. Want to receive our next newsletter in your inbox? Visit our <u>newsletter</u> page to subscribe and never miss a newsletter.

In this Newsletter:

- Chief Scientist Message AGU Updates
- Upcoming Meetings
- Research Highlights from our Community
- Technology Updates
- Quick Links



NEW Climate Variability Diagnostics Package (version 6 release)

Automated analysis tool and data repository for assessing modes of variability and trends.



Pattern Correlation w/ Obs



- Combines capabilities of CVDP and CVDP for Large Ensembles (CVDP-LE).
- New detrending options: linear and quadratic, 30-year high-pass filter, remove ensemble mean.
- Reference data can be either observations or model simulations.
- CAM-SE data is regridded automatically.

Contact: Adam Phillips and Clara Deser (Climate Analysis Section)

Tutorials and support

- Tutorials, annual CESM, component tutorials, and fully cloudbased tutorials at AGU, AMS, and WCRP in Kigali
- DiscussCESM (user support)
 - Trying to direct all support requests to DiscussCESM for greater collective benefit
 - Implement 'best answer' flag (?)



Tutorial on tour in Kigali!





Project Vision

A grassroots collaborative effort to unify CESM component postprocessing and diagnostics

- Python code that
 - i. runs in an easy-to-generate conda environment
 - ii. can be launched via CIME workflow or independently
- Diagnostics for single/multiple runs and single/multiple components
- Unified post-processing tools (incl. timeseries gen, CMORization)
- An API that makes it easy to include user code
- Ongoing support and software maintenance
- https://github.com/NCAR/CUPiD







Activity led by Teagan King and Mike Levy; looking for contributors!

Ease-of-use: visualCaseGen

A user-friendly graphical interface (GUI) to assist users in creating CESM experiments

Key features:

- Easy exploration and setup of CESM configuration options
- Rapid generation of custom configurations:
 - Mix and match settings in a compatible manner
 - Create or interactively modify model grids

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A typical visualCaseGen Workflow





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Thank you!

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BONUS SLIDES



2024 CESM Distinguished Achievement Award

Jim Edwards



For his foundational contributions to the CESM software framework





Samuel Mogen

University of Colorado Boulder



For his outstanding contributions to ocean biogeochemical prediction research





Validating modeled atmospheric deposition timeseries with observed long-term records across the U.S.

Desneiges (Deni) Murray¹, Rebecca Buchholz², Louisa Emmons², Shawn Honomichl², Wenfu Tang², Simone Tilmes², and Adam S. Wymore¹ ¹ University of New Hampshire, Department of Natural Resources and the Environment, Durham, NH USA

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- ² Atmospheric Chemistry Observations & Modeling Laboratory, National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, CO, USA





Objective: assess CAM6 modeled wet deposition over CONUS **Approach:** evaluate $SO_4^{2^-}$, NO_3^- , NH_4^+ **Global model run:** CESM2.2 (1°, 32L, CAM-chem, TS1, 2002-2022) **Main outcome:** $SO_4^{2^-}$, NO_3^- are better represented by the model than NH_4^+ **Next steps:** perform sensitivity study for wildfire impacts on deposition

Next-generation Earth System modeling to address urgent mitigation and adaptation needs



Figure from Eyring, Gentine, Camps-Valls, Lawrence (in review)

How to protect lives and environment?



- Whole Earth System Modeling: Key to predicting consequences & effectiveness of strategies
- Requires collaboration with broad research community for understanding, impacts assessment & uncertainty communication

Solar Radiation Management & CDR



CGD goal?: Research innovation at the climate-weather interface

High resolution modeling

Accurate simulation weather phenomena



refined

Global km-scale





CGD goal?: Research innovation at the climate-weather interface





CESM longer-term opportunities are plentiful, ... but ESM development is hard

- Complexity of CESM framework continually increasing
- CESM user base continues to grow
- Expanding range of model applications is driving diverse model development priorities
- CESM/CGD advisory bodies recognize the challenge, but recommend "both-and" approach
- Updated procedures for prioritization are needed



Earth System Model development is hard





Climate intervention research





Descaled by

Growing set of climate intervention simulations are available for community use under broad auspices of Community Climate Intervention Strategies (CCIS) group, e.g., ARISE, NSF Growing Convergence

Subseasonal to decadal prediction system with CESM

Significant prediction skill on subseasonal to decadal timescales





SMYLE: Seasonal-to-MultiYear Large Ensemble (Yeager et al. 2022, Geosci. Model