SciDAC Update

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Alternative Title

Selected SciDAC Software Engineering Activities

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We are (for 3 more months) ...

A Scalable and Extensible Earth System Model for Climate Change Science
SEESM – aka SciDAC CCSM

and

Performance Engineering for the Community Climate System Model
PECCSM – aka SciDAC CCSM SAP
Some of us also are or may be ...

- Development of Frameworks for Robust Regional Climate Modeling
- Ice Sheet Initiative for CLimate ExtremeS (ISICLES), including the following working directly with the ice sheet component in CESM (CISM):
  - High-Performance Adaptive Algorithms for Ice Sheet Modeling (B-ISICLES)
  - A Scalable, Efficient, and Accurate Community Ice Sheet Model (SEA-CISM)
- Investigation of the Magnitudes and Probabilities of Abrupt Climate TransitionS (IMPACTS)
- Ultra High Resolution Global Climate Simulation
- Visual Data Exploration and Analysis of Ultra-Large Climate Data
- ...
- Climate Science for a Sustainable Energy Future (CSSEF)
- Exascale Performance Research for Earth System Simulation (EXPRESS)
- SciDAC3 Science Application projects in climate
- SciDAC3 Science Application Partnership projects in climate
- ...

_**CESM-oriented software engineering activities for these other Department of Energy projects will not be covered in this presentation.**_
The SciDAC CCSM Consortium:

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  - Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) Robert Jacob, Jay Larson, Sheri Mickelson
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- **Scientific Application Partnerships**
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  - Oak Ridge National Laboratory Patrick Worley

- **Centers for Enabling Technology Collaborations**
  - ESG - Dean Williams
  - PERI – Pat Worley
  - VIZ – Wes Bethel
  - TOPS – David Keyes
  - ITAPS – Lori Diachen

*Computational Climate End Station for Climate Change Science - Warren Washington (PI)*
Objectives

The primary objective of the two projects is to develop, test, and exploit a first generation of Earth system models based upon the CCSM that will run efficiently on thousands of processors and include significant model enhancements.
Tasks and Organization

• **Scalable and Extensible Earth System Model (SEESM)**
  - terrestrial carbon cycle and dynamic vegetation
  - atmospheric chemistry and aerosol dynamics
  - ocean ecosystems and biogeochemical coupling
  - feedbacks between atmospheric composition and biogenic emissions

• **Model Integration and Evaluation (SEESM)**
  - integration and unit testing
  - new ice sheet and ocean models
  - new atmospheric dynamics: finite volume (cubed sphere), continuous Galerkin, others
  - frameworks for model evaluation

• **Computational Performance (SEESM and PECCSM)**
  - scalability to thousands of processors, load balance, (fault recovery)
  - performance portability and software engineering
**AMWG meeting**

1. CAM-SE: The HOMME dynamical core

**LIWG meeting**

2. BISICLES: A high-performance adaptive higher-order thermomechanical ice sheet model

3. Progress towards high-resolution continental-scale ice sheet simulations using a higher-order dynamical core in Glimmer-CISM

**OMWG meeting**

4. Fully-coupled, Fine-resolution CCSM Simulations: A prototype and planned advancements

5. Status of MPAS ocean model

**SEWG meeting**

6. MPAS and CESM

7. Introducing Parvis

8. Progress towards accelerating CAM-SE on hybrid multi-core systems

9. CSEG Update

**Workshop posters**

1. Computer Perf. of the CESM

2. Parvis

3. MPAS-Ocean

4. Adaptive Mesh Modeling of Pine Island Glacier

5. A number of MPAS and SE model development AMWG posters
Overview of Rest of Presentation

(Again - not a comprehensive overview or status report of the SciDAC project)

1. Recent software engineering activities
2. Model development in support of high resolution studies
3. CAM-SE development
4. Performance evaluation
   a) Low resolution fully active
   b) High resolution dycore evaluation
   c) High resolution fully active
5. New performance analysis tools
Recent Software Engr. Activities

*(All in collaboration with CSEG)*

- DOE platform support (Atlas, Hopper, Intrepid, JaguarPF)
- CESM maintenance and development, including
  - Communication algorithms (all components)
  - Reproducible global sum (finally done!)
  - Monitoring functionality and performance, and debugging, for all components
- CESM configuration debugging and benchmarking, including
  - POP space-filling-curve decomposition evaluation tool (Dennis/Mickelson/Worley)
  - Extensive low and high resolution studies (see later slides) and advising CESM users on efficient configurations
  - First successful fully active (B1805CN) eighth degree atmosphere/tenth degree ocean run (ne240f23_t12)
  - First CESM run to use (productively) nearly full JaguarPF system (204,408 cores).
High Resolution Model Development

(A. Mirin)

Very-high-resolution atmospheric simulations with interactive chemistry and sectional aerosol microphysics

• Explore how regional variations of aerosol and precursor emissions affect global and regional climate as well as key societal impacts, including air quality and hydrology
  – more comprehensive chemistry mechanism, including secondary organic aerosols
  – sectional aerosol microphysics – more precise than modal approach, in that aerosols are partitioned into size bins (currently 8)
• Computational challenges
  – 335 tracers
  – I/O – high resolution requires `pnetcdf`
  – use of module variables within parallel region requires thread-private
• Results to date
  – proof of principle - have successfully executed `trop_mozart` calculations with conceptual 399 tracers at 0.25-deg, including history output and restarts
  – have executed full sectional model with `cam5` physics at 1-deg (and at 0.5-deg, but without restarts – merge with trunk should enable restarts)

• Work supported by LLNL Institutional Computing Grand Challenge program
Improvements to CAM-SE

(A. Mirin)

• Capability to use more processes for physics than dynamics has been added
  – important for scenarios with intense physics
  – such capability already exists for other dycores

• Ability to invoke OpenMP within element has been added
  – OpenMP is with respect to level, tracer index, or horizontal
  – OpenMP paradigm to date is across elements, which competes with MPI-parallelism
  – OpenMP within element enables greater degree of parallelism
  – decision of which OpenMP paradigm to use must be decided at compile time (due to non-support for nested constructs)

• For ne30np4 (1-deg) configuration with trop_mozart chemistry and cam5 physics, using (the maximum) 5400 tasks, increasing from 1 to 4 OpenMP threads results in a factor of 2.2 speedup of dynamics on Intrepid.
Using more expensive “CAM5” physics decreases throughput by less than a factor of 2 for the same processor core count.
CAM Performance: High Res.

- Atmosphere-only timings
- EUL T341, SE ne120, and FV 0.23x0.31 achieve similar solution fidelity; comparing among these SE much more scalable on both systems.
• SE scales very well on BG/P, especially compared to XT5. Similar behavior holds for ne240 (see previous slide), but BG/P ne240 perf. is still half that of XT5 up to max size attempted.

• Other dycores do not show same preference for BG/P over XT5.
Two views of same data. Both IIIa and IVa curves include practical maximum processor core count for each configuration on this XT5 system.
• As part of optimization process, varied processor core count for each component. Plotting component-specific performance within a coupled run as a function of processor core count assigned to that component. Other than atmosphere, component performance the same for IIIa and IVa (as it should be).
Plotting time spent in each component for best observed CESM performance as function of total CESM processor core count. Ocean runs concurrently with other components; land and sea ice run sequentially with atmosphere. Load balancing the components can lead to nonmonotonic behavior in component timing curves.
Performance Evaluation Tools

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In addition to (never ending) maintenance and development activities:

1. Spectral element dycore performance diagnosis
2. Ocean performance diagnosis and optimization, including
   • Re-examining reproducibility implementation and overhead
3. Sea ice performance diagnosis and optimization, including
   • CICE space-filling-curve decomposition evaluation tool
   • Adaptive MPI framework evaluation
4. CPL performance diagnosis and optimization
   • Just now showing up as a performance issue in very high resolution configurations
5. New architecture evaluations
   • Hopper (especially Gemini network and support for one-sided communications)
   • GPU accelerators
6. Improved default configuration and performance option settings based on empirical performance data
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