

Noah-MP Component Model

Noah-MP Land Surface Model Tutorial: Model Physics, Code Structures, and Simulation Exercises

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Outline

- Introduction
 - General information about UFS Weather Model and land coupling
 - CCPP Physics (sub-grid scale parametrizations)
 - Coupling infrastructure in general
 - Details of land component (Noah-MP) and coupling
- Hand zone session
 - Running data atmosphere forced configuration using Docker container



Project Goals and Objectives

- The project will deliver **new land modeling infrastructure** software that enables running component-based land surface models (LSMs) within the UFS.

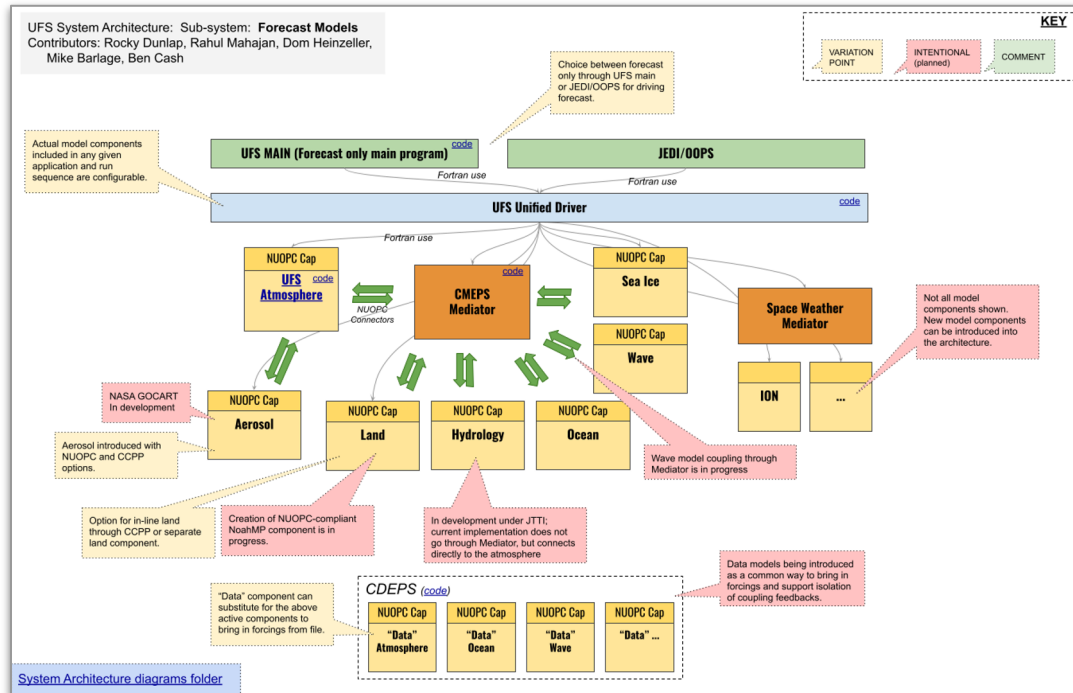
Project Title: "Advancing Land Modeling Infrastructure in the UFS for Hierarchical Model Development"
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Obj 1	The Noah-MP parameterization will be “wrapped” as a NUOPC-based model component, and will be demonstrated to run as an independent component under the UFS Driver in different configurations.
Obj 2	The Noah-MP component will be configured to run “one-way coupled” with atmospheric forcings provided by the Community Data Models for Earth Prediction Systems (CDEPS).
Obj 3	The Noah-MP component will be configured to run “two-way coupled” to the active atmosphere model through the Community Mediator for Earth Prediction Systems (CMEPS).



NOAA's Unified Forecast System

- The UFS is a community-based, coupled, comprehensive Earth modeling system.



It uses ESMF library for coupling.

UFS configurations:

UFS GFS:

FV3ATM-MOM6-CICE6-WW3-
GOCART-CMEPS

UFS Hurricane (HAFS):

FV3ATM-HYCOM-WW3-
CMEPS

UFS RRFs:

FV3ATM+Hydrology+Fire

UFS Coastal (under development):

ADCIRC, FVCOM, ROMS, SCHISM

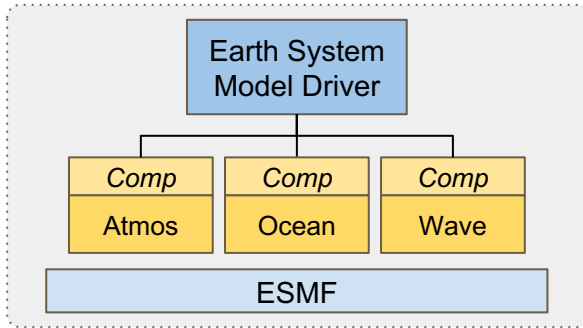
[Forecast Models diagram](#) developed by UFS System Architecture and Infrastructure Cross-Cutting Team.



UFS Weather Model

ESMF

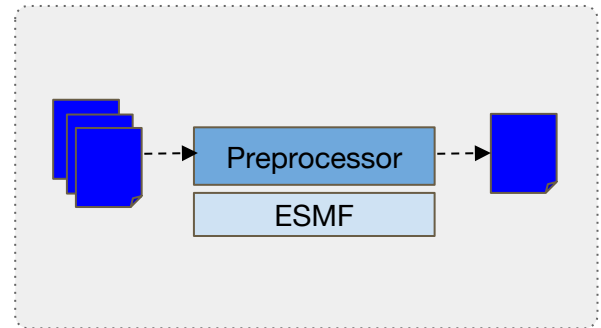
- The **E**arth **S**ystem **M**odeling **F**ramework (ESMF) is parallelizable high-performance software infrastructure used in coupled Earth science applications.
- It is open source software: <https://github.com/esmf-org/esmf>
- Different ways to use ESMF?



Coupling infrastructure
in a modeling system
(includes the NUOPC Layer)



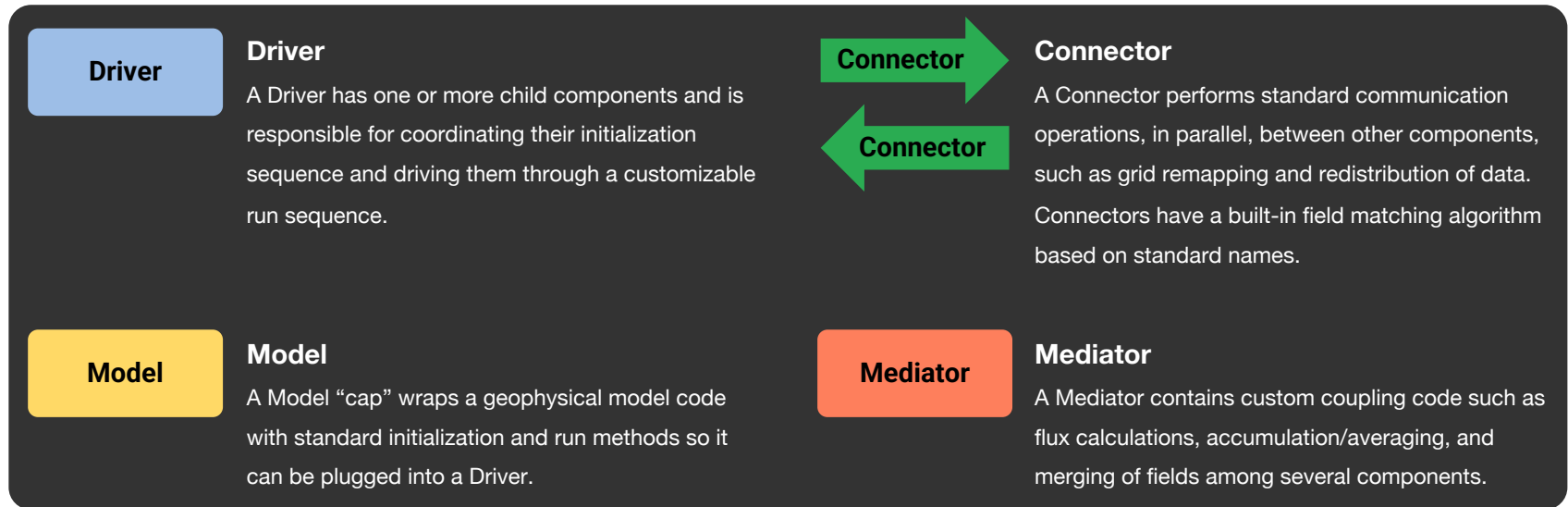
Offline tool for grid remapping and interpolation weight generation
(command line and Python)



Library used to construct custom tools, such as **preprocessor**, **coprocessing** and **postprocessor**

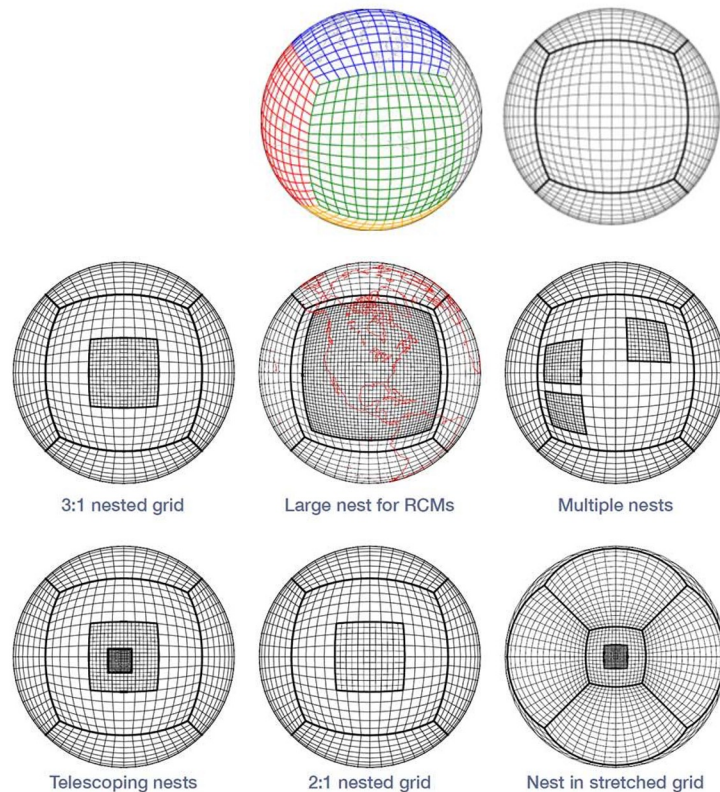
NUOPC Layer

- The **N**ational **U**nified **O**perational **P**rediction **C**apability (NUOPC) is a software layer on top of ESMF that provides “out of the box” capabilities for constructing coupled models.
- Noah-MP under UFS Weather Model is one of the such components



FV3ATM - Atmospheric Component of NOAA's UFS

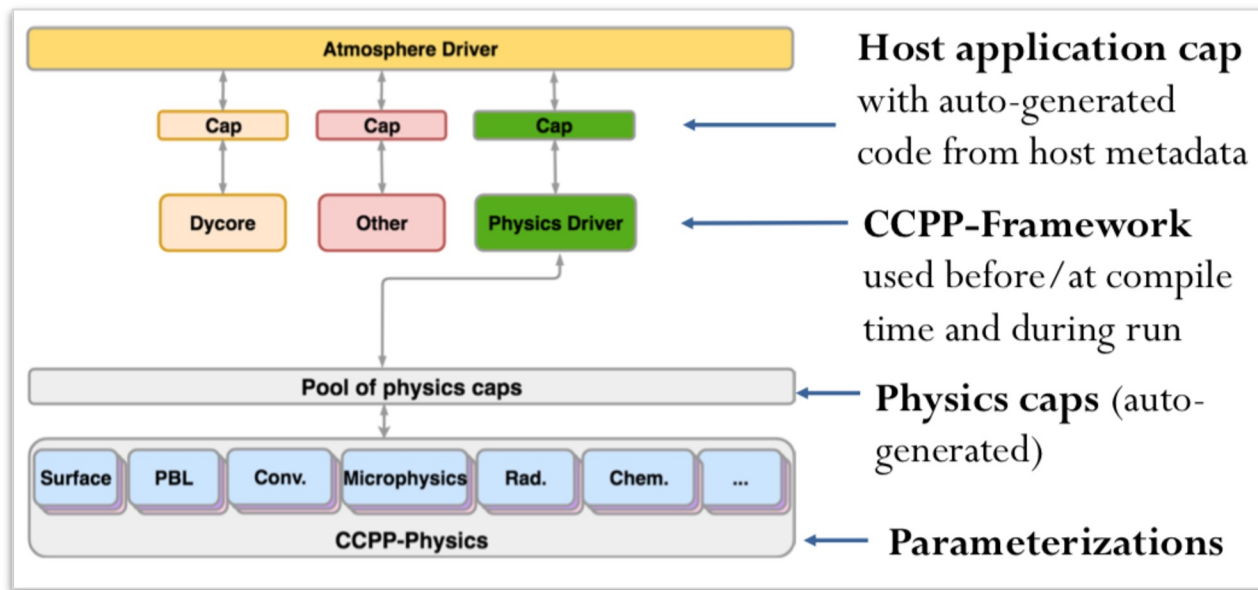
- Sub-components of [FV3ATM](#)
 - FV3: Finite-Volume Cubed-Sphere Dynamical Core
 - The Common Community Physics Package (CCPP)
 - Framework and Physics
 - Defines sub-grid scale parametrizations
 - UFS stochastic physics
 - Async I/O
 - Coupling interface (ESMF/NUOPC)
- We will use C96 (~1deg.) resolution of global configuration in this short course



<https://www.gfdl.noaa.gov/fv3/fv3-grids/>

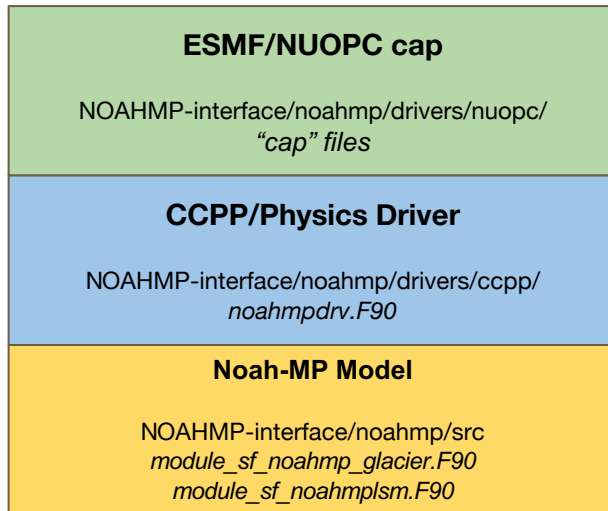
CCPP - The Common Community Physics Package

- There are two distinct parts to the CCPP: a library of physical parameterizations (CCPP-Physics) that conforms to selected standards and an infrastructure (CCPP-Framework) that enables connecting the physics to a host model.



Noah-MP - Land Component of NOAA's UFS

- The component model uses old version of code (same one found in FV3ATM CCPP Physics)
- Since Noah-MP does not provide capability to run standalone. It requires a driver layer such as HRLDAS or CCPP/Physics Driver.



NUOPC "cap" layer

- 1) provides functionality to interact with other components
 - 2) domain creation
 - 3) multi-tile I/O
 - 4) namelist support
- ...

driver layer

- 1) prepares variables for model
- 2) loops through 1d grid points

model layer

- 1) model functionality

Code Structure

```
├── cmake
│   ├── FindESMF.cmake
│   ├── FindNetCDF.cmake
│   └── CMakeLists.txt
├── drivers
│   ├── ccpp
│   │   ├── funcphys.F90
│   │   ├── machine.F
│   │   ├── namelist_soilveg.f
│   │   ├── noahmpdrv.F90
│   │   ├── noahmpdrv.meta
│   │   ├── noahmp_tables.F90
│   │   ├── physcons.F90
│   │   ├── set_soilveg.f
│   │   ├── sfc_diff.f
│   │   └── update.sh
│   └── nuopc
│       ├── docs
│       │   ├── Makefile
│       │   ├── README.md
│       │   └── source
│       │       ├── BuildingAndRunning.rst
│       │       ├── ComponentTesting.rst
│       │       ├── conf.py
│       │       ├── DriverAndCoupling.rst
│       │       ├── index.rst
│       │       └── references.bib
│       ├── lnd_comp_domain.F90
│       ├── lnd_comp_driver.F90
│       ├── lnd_comp_import_export.F90
│       ├── lnd_comp_io.F90
│       ├── lnd_comp_kind.F90
│       ├── lnd_comp_nuopc.F90
│       ├── lnd_comp_shr.F90
│       └── lnd_comp_types.F90
└── WRT
    └── module_sf_noahmpdrv.F
```

Build system for standalone model and creates *libnoahmp.a*.

CCPP Physics related files.

ESMF/NUOPC cap files and documentation source (Sphinx)

Files for testing (DATM+LND) with GitHub action - [nuopc-comp-testing](#)

```
├── .git
├── .github
│   └── workflows
│       ├── data
│       │   ├── C96.initial.tile1.nc
│       │   ├── C96.initial.tile2.nc
│       │   ├── C96.initial.tile3.nc
│       │   ├── C96.initial.tile4.nc
│       │   ├── C96.initial.tile5.nc
│       │   └── C96.initial.tile6.nc
│       ├── datm_noahmp.yaml
│       └── tests
│           ├── test_datm_lnd
│           │   ├── datm.yaml
│           │   └── lnd.yaml
│           └── test_datm_lnd.yaml
├── parameters
│   ├── GENPARM.TBL
│   ├── MPTABLE.TBL
│   └── SOILPARM.TBL
├── README.md
└── src
    ├── module_sf_noahmp_glacier.F90
    └── module_sf_noahmplsm.F90
```

Parameter tables

Model code

Import Fields for DATM+LND

- Noah-MP can be forced with data atmosphere: [GSWP3](#) or [ERA5](#)

Import

Std. Name	Alias	Unit	Receiver
Sa_z	inst_height_lowest	m	Ind
Sa_tbot	inst_temp_height_lowest	K	Ind
Sa_pslv	inst_pres_height_surface	Pa	Ind
Sa_pbot	inst_pres_height_lowest	Pa	Ind
Sa_shum	inst_spec_humid_height_lowest	kg kg-1	Ind
Sa_u	inst_zonal_wind_height_lowest	m s-1	Ind
Sa_v	inst_merid_wind_height_lowest	m s-1	Ind
Sa_wspd	inst_wind_speed_height_lowest	m s-1	Ind
Faxa_swdn	mean_down_sw_flux	W m-2	Ind
Faxa_lwdn	mean_down_lw_flux	W m-2	Ind
Faxa_rain	mean_prec_rate	kg m-2 s-1	Ind

- There is no any limitation to use other data atmosphere modes supported by CDEPS such as CFSR, GFS, CFS etc.
- The default interpolation type is defined in CMEPS mediator. In this case, *1st Order Conservative interpolation* is used for active model coupling and *1st Order Conservative (with nearest-neighbour)* for coupling with data components.

Import/Export Fields for FV3ATM+LND

- Note: side-by-side configuration does not send fields to FV3ATM (*cpIInd2atm = .false.*)

Import

Std. Name	Alias	Unit	Receiver
Sa_z	inst_height_lowest	m	lnd
Sa_ta	inst_temp_height_lowest_from_phys	K	lnd
Sa_pslv	inst_pres_height_surface	Pa	lnd
Sa_qa	inst_spec_humid_height_lowest_from_phys	kg kg-1	lnd
Sa_ua	inst_zonal_wind_height_lowest_from_phys	m s-1	lnd
Sa_va	inst_merid_wind_height_lowest_from_phys	m s-1	lnd
Faxa_swdn	mean_down_sw_flux	W m-2	lnd
Faxa_lwdn	mean_down_lw_flux	W m-2	lnd
Faxa_swnet	mean_net_sw_flux	W m-2	lnd
Faxa_rain	mean_prec_rate	kg m-2 s-1	lnd
Sa_prsl	inst_pres_height_lowest_from_phys	Pa	lnd
vfrac		0-1	lnd
Faxa_snow	mean_fprec_rate	kg m-2 s-1	lnd
Faxa_rainc	mean_prec_rate_conv	kg m-2 s-1	lnd
Sa_tskn	inst_temp_height_surface	K	lnd
Sa_exner	inst_exner_function_height_lowest	0-1	lnd
Sa_ustar	surface_friction_velocity	m s-1	lnd
zorl		cm	lnd

Export

Std. Name	Alias	Unit	Receiver
Sl_lfrac	land_fraction	0-1	mediator
Fall_lat	mean_laten_heat_flux_lnd	kg kg-1 m s-1	atm
Fall_sen	mean_sensi_heat_flux_lnd	K m s-1	atm
Fall_evap	mean_potential_laten_heat_flux_lnd	W m-2	atm
Fall_gfix	mean_upward_heat_flux_lnd	W m-2	atm
Fall_roff	mean_runoff_rate_lnd	kg m-2 s-1	atm
Fall_soff	mean_subsurface_runoff_rate_lnd	kg m-2 s-1	atm
Sl_sfrac	mean_snow_area_fraction_lnd	0-1	atm
Sl_tref	inst_temp_height2m_lnd	K	atm
Sl_qref	inst_spec_humid_height2m_lnd	kg kg-1	atm
Sl_q	inst_spec_humid_lnd	kg kg-1	atm
Sl_cmm	inst_drag_wind_speed_for_momentum	m s-1	atm
Sl_chh	inst_drag_mass_flux_for_heat_and_moisture	kg m-2 s-1	atm
Sl_zvfun	inst_func_of_roughness_length_and_vfrac	0-1	atm

Namelist Options

- Noah-MP configuration parameters: *ufs.configure* and in *LND_attributes::* group

Option	Description	Possible Values
mosaic_file	The path and name of the mosaic grid file	any, INPUT/C96_mosaic.nc
input_dir	The directory that stores initial conditions, static information and grid related files	any
ic_type	Indicates the source of the initial conditions (custom - C96.initial.tile[1-6].nc and sfc - sfc_data.tile[1-6].nc)	custom, sfc (default)
layout	Defines decompositions in each direction on each tile (i.e. 3.8 for C96).	any number pair separated with double column
num_soil_levels	Number of soil levels used by NoahMP Land Model	any number
forcing_height	Height of the atmospheric forcing in meters. Used to overwrite component provided one.	any number
soil_level_thickness	Thickness of the soil levels. Needs to be consistent with num_soil_levels	Any list of number separated with double column
soil_level_nodes	Depths of the node points for each soil level. Needs to be consistent with num_soil_levels	Any list of number separated with double column
dynamic_vegetation_option	Options for dynamic vegetation	1 (off), 2 (on)
canopy_stomatal_resistance_option	Canopy stomatal resistance	1 (ball-berry), 2 (jarvis)
soil_wetness_option	Options for soil moisture factor for stomatal resistance	1 (noah), 2 (clm), 3 (ssib)
runoff_option	Options for runoff and groundwater	1 (simgm), 2 (simtop), 3 (schaake96), 4 (bats)
surface_exchange_option	Options for surface layer drag coefficient (ch and cm)	1 (m-o), 2 (chen97)
supercooled_soilwater_option	Options for supercooled liquid water	1 (ny06), 2 (koren99)
frozen_soil_adjust_option	Options for frozen soil permeability	1 (ny06), 2 (koren99)
radiative_transfer_option	Options for radiation transfer	1 (gap= $\sqrt{3d,cosz}$), 2 (gap=0), 3 (gap=1-veg)
snow_albedo_option	Options for snow surface albedo	1 (bats), 2 (class)
precip_partition_option	Options for rainfall & snowfall	1 (jordan91), 2 (bats), 3 (noah)
soil_temp_lower_bdy_option	Options for lower boundary of soil temperature	1 (zero-flux), 2 (noah)
soil_temp_lime_scheme_option	Options for surface resistance	1->sakaguchi/zen; 2->seller; 3->mod sellers; 4->1+snow
glacier_option	Options for glacier treatment (fixed to 2 in noahmpdrv)	(1->phase change; 2->simple)
output_freq	Options for output frequency in seconds	any number
restart_freq	Options for restart frequency in seconds (negative for disabling)	any number
do_mylnedmf	Option for MYNN-EDMF (default is false)	true or false
do_mylnsfclay	Option for MYNN surface layer scheme (default is false)	true or false
soil_type_category	Option for soil type	0 (Zobler - 9 category), 1 (STATSGO - 19 category), 2 (STAS-RUC - 19 category)
veg_type_category	Option for source of vegetation data	0 (USGS), 1 (IGBP), 2 (UMD), 3 (NLCD40), 4 (USGS-RUC), 5 (MODI-RUC)
initial_emiss	Option for initial surface lw emissivity in fraction (default value is 0.95)	any number between 0-1
initial_albedo	Option for initial mean surface albedo (value is default 0.2)	any number between 0-1
has_export	Option to enable export fields (default value is true)	true or false
calc_snet	Option to calculate shortwave radiation internally (default value is false)	true or false

Additional configuration options in FV3 side:

input.nml and
gfs_physics_nml section

cpIInd - atm->Ind

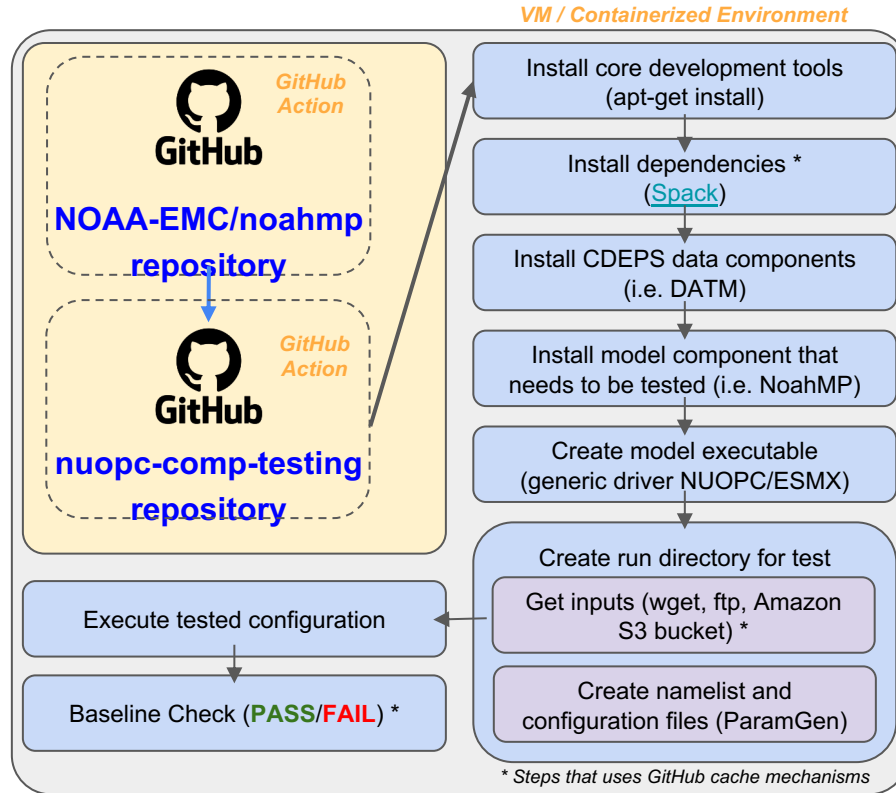
cpIInd2atm - Ind->atm

CI/CD Testing

It runs very simple
DATM+Noah-MP
configuration in every
push or PR to Noah-MP
repository

Low-resolution GSWP3
forced C96 (~1°global)
land configuration

Check results against
the baseline to find
possible and
unexpected baseline
changes



<https://github.com/esmf-org/nuopc-comp-testing>

Limitations

- Only tested with global cubed-sphere grid
 - *grid_spec.nc* and *oro_data.tile*.nc* files are used to define the global domain, mask information and land fraction.
 - It requires additional work to support regional domains
 - single tile regional FV3 configurations
 - Regular lat-lon grids (global and regional) can be also supported by reading in ESMF mesh file but this requires additional development and testing
- I/O layer also needs to be extended to work with other grids and configurations
 - Current implementation uses ESMF for I/O (based on PIO2 library)
- Need to develop a set of tools to generate input files that store static information and initial conditions for other grid types and regional applications

Supported Configurations

- *DATM+LND* (incl. restart capability)
 - Tested with GSWP3 and ERA5 forcing provided by CDEPS data component
 - The model can be forced with different forcings using CDEPS
 - The model can be even forced with cyclic data
- *FV3ATM+LND side-by-side* configuration (no feedback from land to atmosphere)
 - FV3ATM/CCPP/Noah-MP also runs
 - Aims to validate the results coming from component model using CCPP version
- *FV3ATM+LND fully coupled* (incl. restart capability)
 - Fully active atmosphere coupled two-way with land component
 - Supports also running land component in higher resolution such as C384 (~0.25°global)

CCPP Suite File and Run Sequence

FV3/ccpp/suites/suite_FV3_GFS_v17_p8.xml

```
<scheme>GFS_suite_interstitial_2</scheme>
</subcycle>
<!-- Surface iteration loop -->
<subcycle_loop="2">
  <scheme>sfc_diff</scheme>
  <scheme>GFS_surface_loop_control_part1</scheme>
  <scheme>sfc_nst_pre</scheme>
  <scheme>sfc_nst</scheme>
  <scheme>sfc_nst_post</scheme>
  <scheme>noahmpdrv</scheme>
  <scheme>sfc_land</scheme>
  <scheme>sfc_sice</scheme>
  <scheme>GFS_surface_loop_control_part2</scheme>
</subcycle>
<!-- End of surface iteration loop -->
<subcycle_loop="1">
  <scheme>GFS_surface_composites_post</scheme>
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merges fluxes for fractional grid

→ *skips if cplInd2atm = .true.*

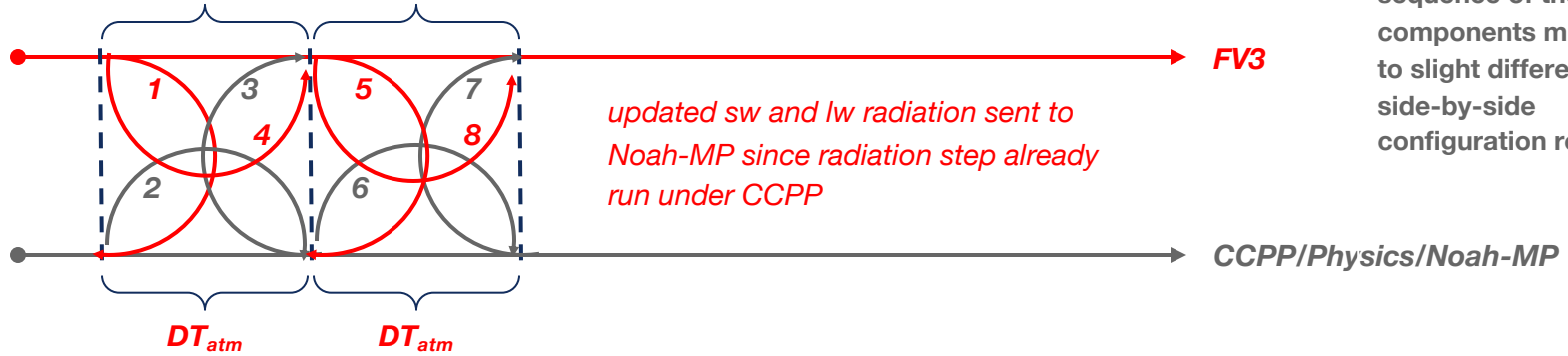
→ *runs if cplInd2atm = .true.*

ufs.configure

```
# cold
runSeq::
@3600 coupling interval in sec
  MED med_phases_prep_atm
  MED -> ATM :remapMethod=redist
  ATM
  ATM -> MED :remapMethod=redist
  MED med_phases_post_atm
  MED med_phases_prep_lnd
  MED -> LND :remapMethod=redist
  LND
  LND -> MED :remapMethod=redist
  MED med_phases_post_lnd
  MED med_phases_restart_write
  MED med_phases_history_write
@
::
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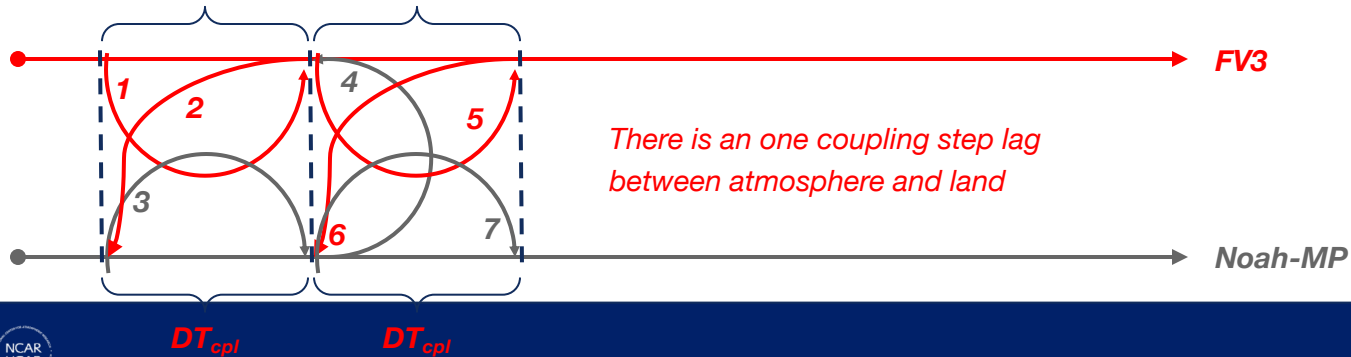
Run Sequence: CCpp vs. Component

- Standalone atmosphere with CCpp/Physics Noah-MP



The difference in run sequence of the components might lead to slight difference in the side-by-side configuration results.

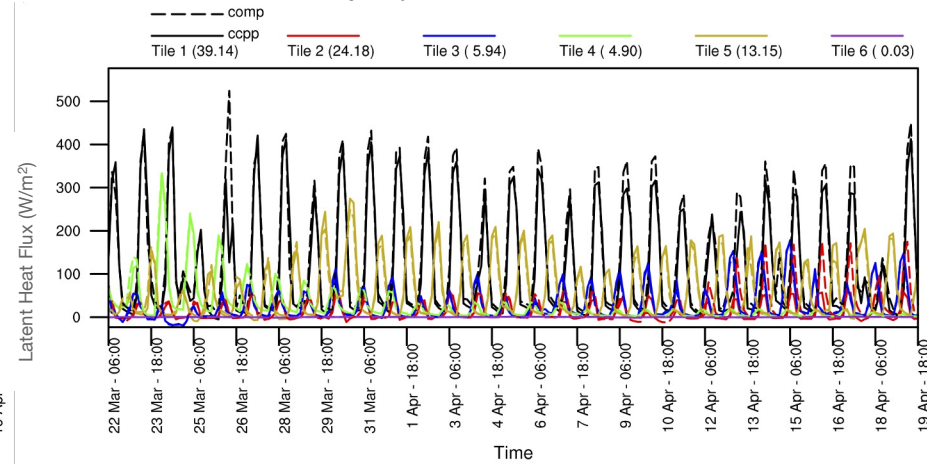
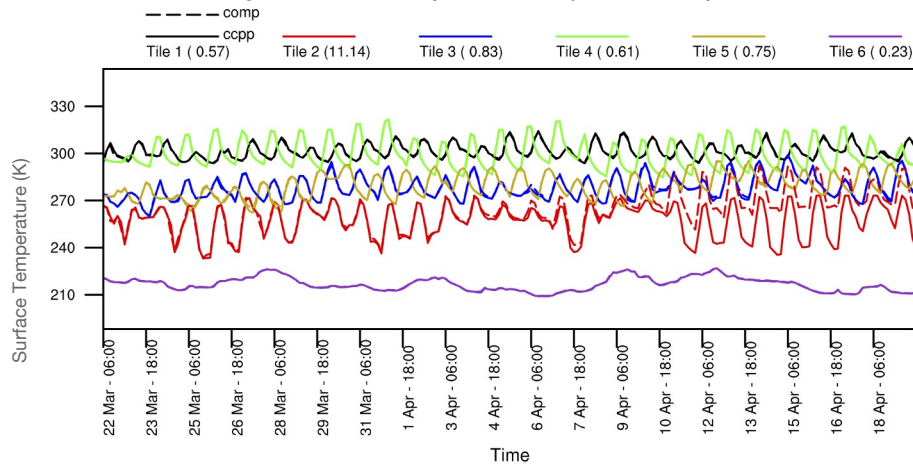
- Coupled atmosphere-land configuration with component Noah-MP



The only way to mimic FV3/CCPP way, is splitting the CCpp suite run phases, and allow calling component model just after radiation step.

Validation

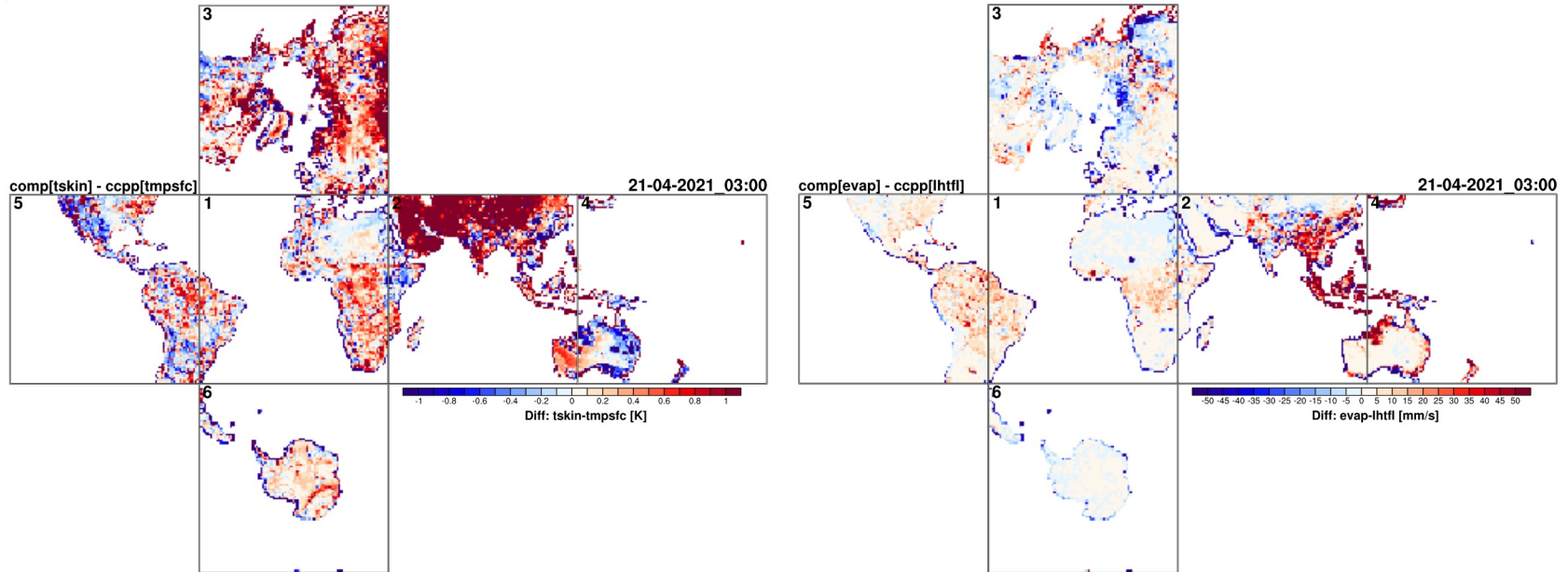
- A set of 30 days run was performed with different configurations of the model
- Side-by-side comparison (*control_p8_atmInd_sbs* - sfcf* vs. land output)



- The component version of the Noah-MP is able to reproduce the results of FV3/CCPP version. The solution starts to diverge after a couple of weeks (see tile 2 results)

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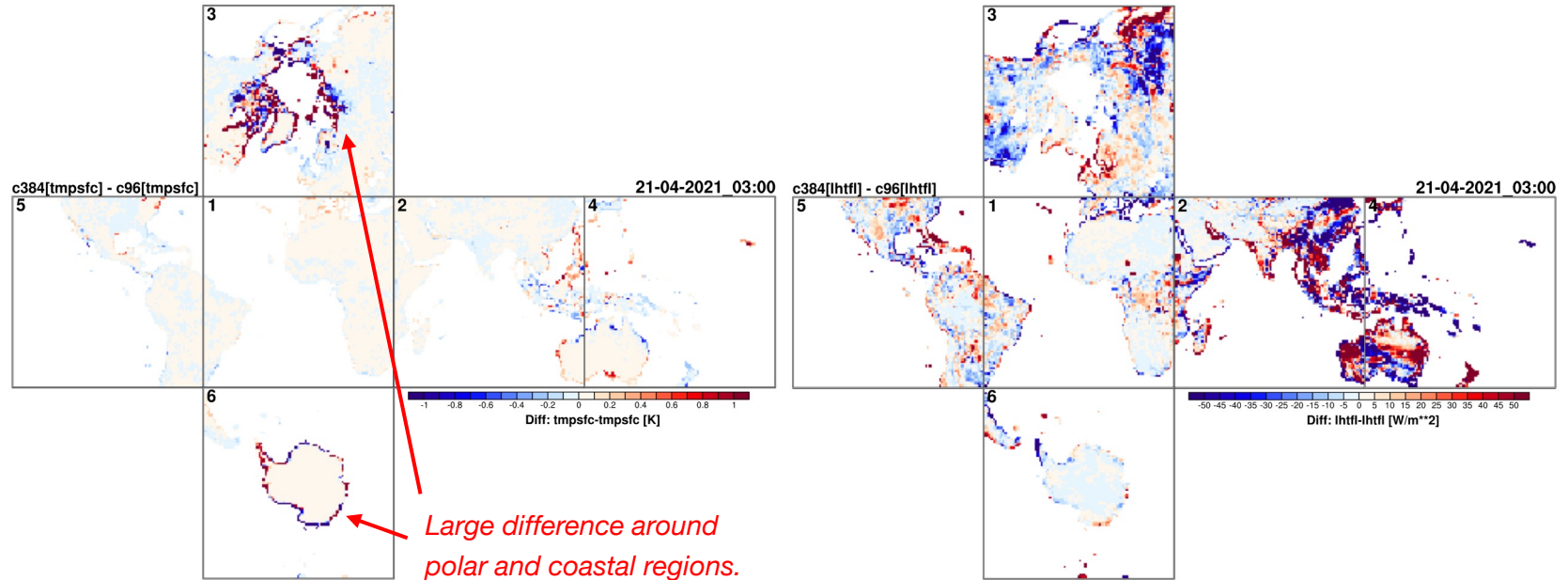
- Difference after 30-days for *control_p8_atmInd_sbs*



- Since the solution diverges, the difference between component model and CCPP version is relatively large at the end of the simulation (after 30 days).

Higher resolution land component?

- The fully coupled configuration - *control_p8_atmlnd* is also run with two resolution.
- Following figure compares FV3ATM output of two runs after 30 days of simulation



Hands-on

- Content:
 - https://github.com/uturuncoglu/tutorials/blob/main/AMS24_Tutorial_UFS_Noah-MP.ipynb

