

Unified GW Physics and Data Analysis in the Vertically Extended Atmosphere Models

Enhancing and Connecting High-Impact Space and Terrestrial



Weather Forecasts and Applications





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Motivation: Develop VE NEMS Models to improve forecasts for Terrestrial & Space Weather Applications: 3-TESTBEDS/Centers: EMC/SWPC/JCSDA with collaborations NRL and GMAO



Vertically Extended (VE) Global Models of NOAA

Motivation to develop VE for GFS:

- (1) To be on the same page with NWP systems that resolve the stratosphere;
- (2) Create direct connection between Terrestrial and Space Weather predictions in the WAM framework.

Key upgrades to extend models > 50km:

- (1) Radiation and Chemistry with 24-hr cycles;
- (2) Gravity Wave (GW) Physics;
- (3) Tune-ups/orchestration of numerical dissipation with GW eddy mixing/drag, and radiation with GW heating/cooling;
- (4) Initialization of VEM with realistic tides

Verification, Validation and Metrics:

- (1) Whole Atmosphere Range: 30-500km
- (2) SMLT data collections, first for 20-150 km

Extension of DA: GSI-SMLT; GSI-WAM (WDAS)

Collaborating with GMAO & NRL groups to adapt & extend analysis of SABER and MLS data to ~110km



MLS: Improvements of MERRA-2 vs MERRA due to analysis of MLS Ozone (South Pole) and Temperature (70N, 2006) profiles



Spectral Vertically Extended Configuration of NEMS/NGGPS: NEMS/GSM-91L, WAM-150L and Suite of Observations

 Vertical levels of NEMS/GSM-91L follow IFS-91L and match GEOS5-72L(~80 km);
 Decreased (~3-times) Rayleigh fric.
 ~50 km with inv. scale 15 days + UGWP

 WAM, TL~500km: adapted GW solvers with dissipation for : (a) Linear saturation with dis-n; (b) IFSD-2000; (c) DSPD-Hines-97'; d) Alexander/Dunkerton-99D.
 Previous (IFS, NOGAPS, GMAO) choices for GW intensity at ~ 500-700 hPa to replicate latitudinal and seasonal GW activity in the troposphere from the data.

□ GW physics acts in 4- azimuths and tested for T62 ..->..T670; Stoch. & Determ. In progress for NEMS-91L : eddy mixing; non-LTE radiation; resolution-aware formulations of GW-schemes (in FV3-?)

SMLT data => in WDAS & GSI-91L





Motivation and Formalism for Unified Gravity Wave Physics

Mesoscale GWs transport momentum, energy (heat), and create eddy mixing in the whole atmosphere domain

Breaking and dissipating GWs deposit: (a) momentum; (b) heat (energy); and create (c) turbulent mixing of momentum, heat, and tracers



Unified: a) all GW effects due both dissipation/breaking; b) identical "GW" solvers for all "GW" soueces; c) ability to replace solvers.

To properly incorporate GW effects (a-c) unresolved by DYCOREs we need GW physics



SGS and RS GW effects on the large-scale flow: BDcirculation, QBO & SAO in the STRAT-RE & MESOS-RE; Tides and PWs, tracer mixing

Unified Formalism (Sources-Propagation-Effects) for UGWP

- *GW Sources:* Stochastic and physicsbased mechanisms for GW-excitations in the lower atmosphere, calibrated by the high-res analyses/forecasts, and observations (*3 types of GW sources: orography, convection, fronts/jets*).
- 2. *GW Propagation:* Unified solver for "propagation, dissipation and breaking" excited from all type of GW sources.
- 3. *GW Effects:* Unified representation of GW impacts on the 'resolved' flow for all sources (energy-balanced schemes for momentum, heat and mixing).
- 4. Resolution-awareness of sub-grid GW schemes in all aspects of wave physics $\Delta x / \Delta z \sim \omega / N$

Resolved mesoscale (s >30-100) may guide to centers of sub-grid GW activity (triggers); Sat-te data for GWs (s>6)



Examples of Standalone Diagnostics of 4-GW solvers: GW drag (m/s/day, left) and Eddy Mixing (K-eddy m2/s, right)

(a) LSD -Linear multiwave GW scheme with



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GW broad spectra scheme with dissipation

Polar Temperature & Winds: Forecast vs Analyses, MLS, SABER Arctic in Jan-Feb 2016 (GSM-91L with Nst-GWs)



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NEMS/GSM-91L: Selected Testing vs GEOS-5: 2014 Jan, 15day FST 2014 Jun, 25day FST



GSM-91L with various GW source functions and GEOS-5 analysis

Sensitivity runs to GW-sources: constant, time-lat dependent (top rows) & latitude-dep GEOS-S GW source function & GEOS-5 (bottom)

The 5- and 20-day Forecasts of the South Ocean Zonal (right) and Meridional (left) Winds by GSM-64L, GSM-91L and GDAS, June 6 and 21 of 2014, 10mb



WAM-IPE, NOAA and CIRES,

Akmaev et al.(2014), Yudin et al. (2015-16), Fuller-Rowell et al. (2017)

WAM = Extended GFS

Whole Atmosphere Model

- *p*_{top} = 1.5×10⁻⁷ Pa
- T62L150 (~ 2°×2°, ~ 0 600 km)
- Free or A/F cycle (WDAS) runs
- Composition dependent R & C_p
- Height dependent g(z)
- Timing ~ 5.5 min/day on 32 CPUs

Physics

- Horizontal & vertical mixing (no "sponge")
- Radiative heating: EUV, UV, & non-LTE IR
- Empirical ionosphere & electric fields: ion drag & Joule heating
- Major species composition





(1)Non-stationary GW physics; high horizontal resolution WAM simulations (T254, T382).
(2)Eddy mixing of tracers, momentum and potential temperature by unstable GWs

- (3) Updates of the iononspheric and solar modules . observed EUV, and empirical aurora drivers.
- (4) Online diagnostics (NETCDF-based) for tides, PWs, and GWs
- (5) Balanced Initialization of WAM by GDAS and GEOS-5

Balanced Initialization Technique for WAM-2017

Balanced Initialization Technique –BIT

Use "nudging" algorithms introducing the IAUtype drivers by Analysis Tendencies in Model Physics (U, V, T, Ps...) in the GDAS-domain (from the surface-35-40 km) and ..

Give opportunity to VE models accept during 3-6 spin-up days the analysis state" by the assigned "Initial Day-Hr" in the data analysis domain and CONNECT UPPER LAYERS with "realistic" LOWER LAYER DYNAMICS.



Incremental Analysis Update – IAU, Bloom et al. 1996



Metrics for WA model evaluations in SWP systems:

(1) Seasonal cycles of global wave amplitudes and phases, quasi-stationary PWs, tides (24-hr, 12-hr, 8-hr), two-day waves, ultra-fast Kelvin waves and annual variations of prevailing (zonal mean) flows.

(2) Year-to-year variations driven by the dynamics of the lower atmosphere (QB0-like modulations, SSW events) and solar cycles from the top.

(3) **Day-to-day variability** triggered by the tropospheric weather (storms/hurricanes) and solar-geomagnetic inputs (geo-storms SEP, etc.)



Data flows: UARS, TIMED, Aura, radar and lidar systems, imagers, rocket campaigns + future missions GOLD & ICON

Annual and Diurnal Variations of Ozone and Temperature in WAM-2017 vs MLS and SABER

(a) OUT: MLS and SABER ORBITS with WAM-FST for T-re



Zonal Mean Ozone: Jan 30, 2016



Diurnal Variations of Ozone in WAM (Jan-2016)



At ~86 km O3-maps completely depends on DIURNAL VARIATIONS of CHEMSITRY as seen by SABER/TIMED





Annual O₃ Variations in WAM (top) and SABER (bottom)



Zonal Winds: SAO/QBO and Annual Cycles: Role of GW schemes in WAM-GEOS5





Months 2009-2012

Months 1993-1996

Annual Variations of 12-h tide (SW2), 2009, 2013: WAM/G5



Tidal Metrics: Seasonal and D-2-DVariations of 24-hr Modes: (DE3 & DW1) and Solar Min (2009)- Max(2012), WAM/GEOS5



Space Weather Predictions for Navigation and Communication

- To keep track of spacecraft and objects to avoid collisions;
- To "expect" unusual behavior of plasma and neutral densities due to geo- storms and SSW.
- Examples of SSW-2009: 4-hr earlier arrival of TEC-max to the America Sector (17UT => 13UT) during several days after SSW;
- Fast Reduction (10%) and Growth(5-10%) of the Arctic Neutral Density (*Jan 23-Feb 10*); not yet accepted/predicted by navigation models.
- Geo-Storms: Mar 13-14 1989



Summary

- 1. Current status of the VE NGGPS/NEMS models, GSM-91L and WAM-150L.
- 2. Initial implementation of UGWP in these spectral models. Upgrades of radiation and ozone chemistry in WAM-2017 and BIT by IAU.
- 3. Meteorology of the troposphere and stratosphere forces the observed variability of the simulated mean flow and simulated tides (d-2-d; seasonal; y-2-y), as seen from MLS and SABER data.
- 4. SSW events good examples for day-to-day variability of tidal (wave) dynamics in WAM and sub-seasonal/seasonal forecasts in the wintertime troposphere-stratosphere.
- 5. MA/thermosphere data need to be assimilated to improve VE model predictions and understand observed sub-seasonal and diurnal cycle anomalies (reduction/variation of the density for navigation and in the future WAM-IPE predictions of plasma).

Sudden Stratospheric Warming, as the high impact Events for both Tropospheric Dynamics and Space Weather, Jan 2013

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