



NOAA's Unified Forecast System (UFS) Next Generation Global Prediction System (NGGPS)



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Unified Forecast System NWS Operational Applications





SFS: Seasonal Forecast System SSFS: Subseasonal Forecast System GFS: Weather Forecast System RRFS: Rapid Refresh Forecast System WoFS; Warn on Forecast System





- FY2019 NGGPS/SIP Kick-off
- Unified Forecast System Steering Committee Established
- CCPP Version 1.0 Released to the Community
- Hurricane Supplemental Planning Meeting April 2018
- Global FV3 released to the community
- NCAR-NOAA MOA negotiated signatures immanent



Community Modeling





Green-Blue-Yellow: White-Pink: HFIP paradigm Extended Community Modeling



Unified Forecast System for Operational Earth System Prediction (2018)



ESMF/NUOPC/NEMS architecture enables unified global and regional coupled modeling and DA

Consistent with broader community (CESM) and US National ESPC





Approach for Unified Modeling NOAA Planning

- A concurrent, parallel planning approach
 - High-level/broad Strategic Plan
 - High-level <u>Strategic Plan</u> + accompanying detailed Roadmap document
 - Short-term (0 to ~2-3 years) Strategic **Implementation Plan (SIP)** combines implementation activities with near-term strategic actions
 - Led by NWS/NCEP/EMC with NOAA and external partners



SIP Goals and Objectives for Unified Model



- Common Goal: Single integrated plan that coordinates activities of NOAA + external partners in common goal of building a national unified modeling system across temporal and spatial scales
 - NGGPS: foundation to build upon
 - Expand to include other STI development programs and EMC development efforts
 - Activities include R&D, testing/eval, V&V, R2O, shared infrastructure, etc.
- Approach for SIP development:
 - Began with existing core R&D partners to organize in functional area Working Groups (WGs) responsible for drafting respective functional SIP components
 - Add/Revise functional Working Groups and Scope as needed.



SIP Working Groups



- Communications and Outreach
 - Common messaging strategy
- Convective Allowing Models (CAMs)
 - Intermediate steps to CAM ensembles, Warn on Forecast; test/evaluate with community
- System Architecture
 - NEMS evolution; community approach
- Infrastructure
 - Standards/doc; CM; code repository; etc.
- Testing and Testbeds
 - Role of testbeds; regression testing; etc.
- Verification & Validation (V&V)
 - V&V of ops forecasts vs. R&D testing/evaluate; unified/standard tools and data formats

- Dynamics and Nesting
 - FV3 transition on global wx/S2S/climate; moving nests for hurricanes
- Model Physics
 - Common Comm. Physics Package (CCPP); stochastic, scale-aware physics
- Data Assimilation
 - DA Science Strategy, FV3 integ. between NOAA, NASA; Joint Effort for DA Integ. (JEDI); coupled DA
- Ensembles
 - Strategy across scales; model uncertainty
- Post-Processing
 - Comm. PP infrastructure; std formats/tools
- Component Model sub-groups
 - Marine models + NOS coastal/bay models
 - Aerosols and Atmospheric Composition
 - Land Sfc Models (LSMs) + hydrology (OWP)





- Establish Funding Priorities
- Make Funding Determinations
- Use for Hurricane Supplemental Planning
 - Begin with SIP Modeling Research and Development Activities
 - Accelerate as appropriate!
 - Augment as appropriate!



UFS Next Steps



- Implement FV3 dynamical core (Global, CAM, Hurricane Analysis and Forecasting System (HAFS), Supplemental Augment)
- Accelerate evolution of model physics (Supplemental augment)
- Advance overall data assimilation capability (supplemental augment for JEDI, Dropouts, Science Strategy!)
- Modernize Infrastructure (NCAR MOA, Supplemental Augment)
- Foster a community model environment, with GMTB, JCSDA, and community involved governance (FV3 (Global & CAM) and CCPP public releases); incorporate OWAQ funded activities into SIP.





Goals:

- To assess progress of NGGPS projects from the 2016 funding opportunity for the development of the NCEP Unified Forecast System
- To enhance awareness at NCEP (specifically, EMC and CPC) of ongoing NGGPS projects advancing modeling and prediction







STI Modeling Program Website:

http://www.weather.gov/sti/stimodeling

Information NGGPS:

http://www.weather.gov/sti/stimodeling_nggps

Strategic Implementation Plan

https://www.weather.gov/sti/stimodeling_nggps_implementation

Information on Grants: http://www.weather.gov/sti/stigrants