



Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP) for a Community-based Unified Forecast System (UFS)

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- Coupled data assimilation across the Earth System.
- Multi-scale data assimilation across temporal and spatial scales, from global to convective.
- Making better use of existing and new obs
 - Ever increasing obs volume (hyperspectral, radar)
 - All-sky radiances (currently not used much)
- Representation of model uncertainty in ensembles.
- Dealing with non-linearity and non-Gaussianity in background and observation errors.



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Project Milestone Accomplishments



- SIP project accomplishments FY2018
 - FV3GDAS:
 - adapt 4D-Hybrid En-Var data assimilation framework for FV3-GFS; configure and optimize the cycled data assimilation experiments including EnKF and stochastic physics. IAU implemented.
 - Assimilation of new obs
 - GOES-16 AMVs, NOAA-20 ATMS and CRiS included in FV3-GFS
 - ATMS all-sky assimilation
 - JEDI development
 - FV3GFS interface (read model states, ensembles, compute EnVar increments).
 - FV3GFS TLM/Adj integration
 - UFO/IODA development (AMSU-A, GPSRO, radiosondes so far)
- SIP project issues:
 - managing and coordinating transition to JEDI



Data Assimilation WG Project Milestone Accomplishments



- IO routines in GSI, EnKF
- Regridding between cubed-sphere and Gaussian lat-lon grids in model
- Increase in ensemble and analysis increment resolution
- Workflow for cycled assimilation with FV3-based GFS
- Adoption of new MP scheme (new species in all-sky forward operator)
- Turn off digital filter, vortex relocation
- Tested changes to ozone and water vapor photochemistry
- Ported, tested, tuned stochastic physics in FV3. Implemented and tested 4DIAU.





JEDI Major Achievements



- 1. Unified Forward Operator: subset of observations
- 2. Model interfaces: atmosphere, ocean, wave, sea-ice
- 3. Generic covariance modeling: ensemble
- 4. Variational solvers: 3DVar, 3DEnVar, 4DEnvar
- 5. Version 0.1: end-to-end DA system code stack + documentation + JEDI Academy



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New projects



- 6.1: Observations
 - New data types, better exploitation of existing obs
- 6.2: Algorithms
 - Intercomparison of techniques within JEDI (hybrid 4DEnvar, hybrid 4DVar, EnKF)
 - (multiscale) localization techniques
- 6.3: Coupled DA (FV3/MOM6/CICE5, FV3/NOAH)
 - Weakly coupled, quasi-strongly coupled, strongly coupled
 - Deal with varying space and time scales
- 6.4: Software Infrastructure (JEDI)
- 6.5: Global (Hourly) Rapid Update (Hurricane Supplemental)
 - Use of high-frequency geostationary, surface and radar data
 - Replace SREF/NAM/RAP
 - Overlapping windows (data latency, multi-scale)