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# Development of NOAA' Unified Forecast System: Progress and plans for modeling advancements in NGGPS/FV3 era

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# Outline

**FV3 Dynamic Core: Central component for NOAA's Next Generation Global Prediction System (NGGPS) and Unified Forecast System (UFS)**

**Implementation Plans for FV3GFS; FV3GDAS; and FV3GEFS (sub-seasonal)**

**FV3 Dynamic Core for Regional Convective Allowing Modeling Applications (including hurricanes)**

**Unified Forecast System: Focus on Advanced Physics**

**Community Involvement**

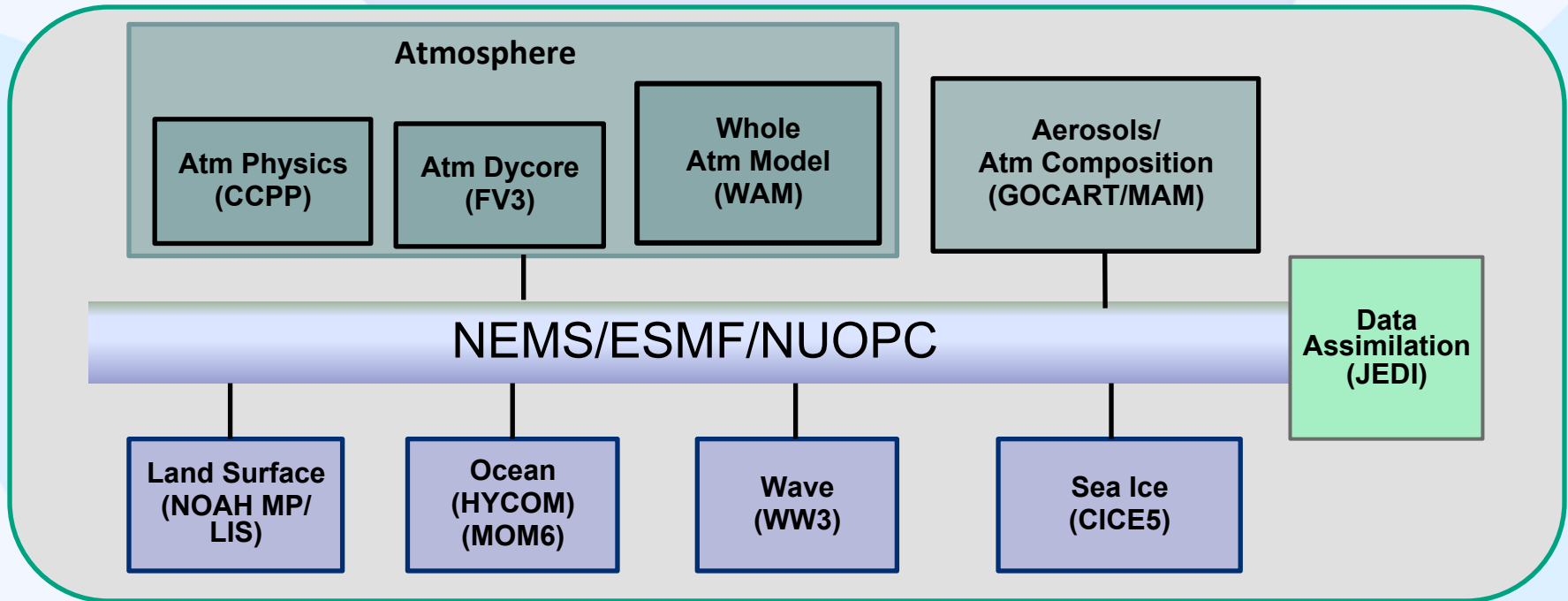
# NGGPS Goals and Objectives<sup>1</sup>

- Design/Develop/Implement NGGPS global atmospheric prediction model
  - Non-hydrostatic scalable dynamics
- Improve data assimilation and physics
- Position NOAA NWS for next generation high performance computing
- Engage community in model/components development
- Reduce implementation time
- Increase effectiveness of product distribution
  - Post-processing, assessments, and display

**World's Best Global Forecast Guidance**

<sup>1</sup>From NWS Budget Initiative proposal to OMB

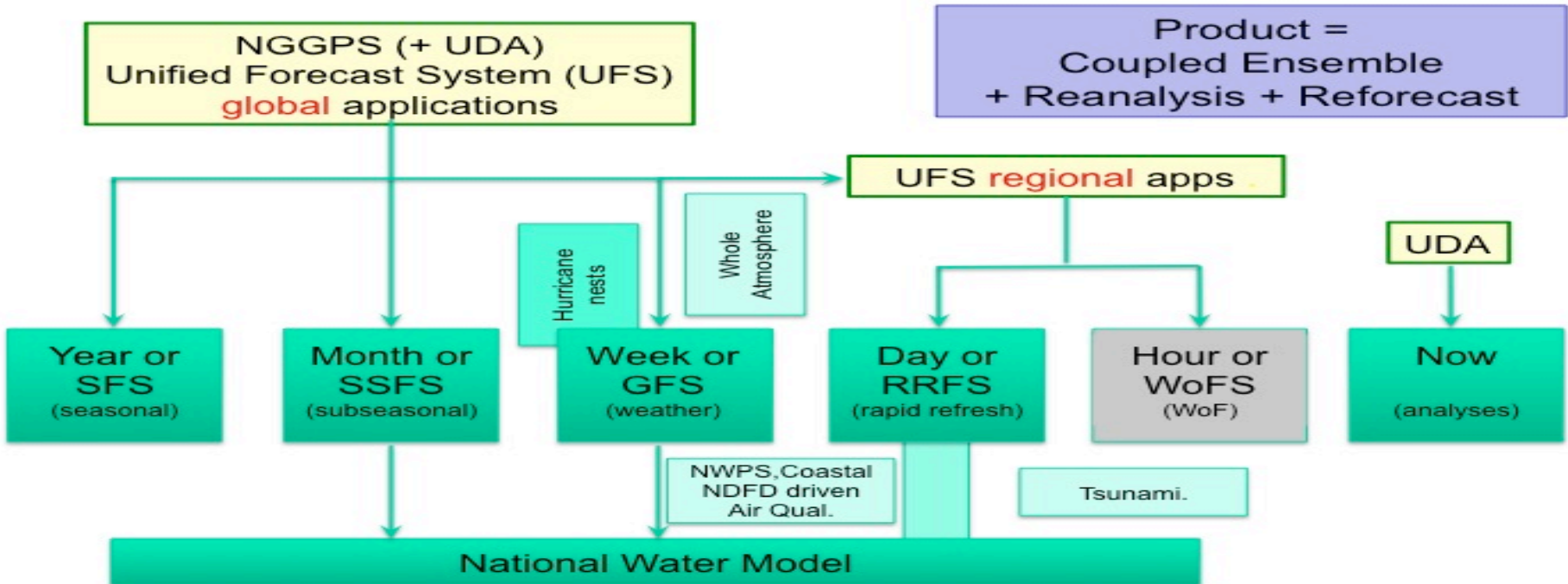
# NGGPS Prediction Model Components



- NGGPS prediction model will consist of fully coupled components representing different parts of the Earth system.
- All components will be based on community codes.



# Unified Forecast System NWS Operational Applications



UDA: Unified Data assimilation  
 SFS: Seasonal Forecast System  
 SSFS: Subseasonal Forecast System

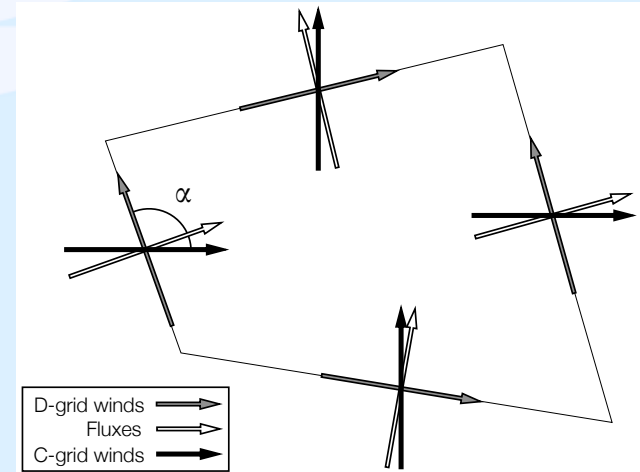
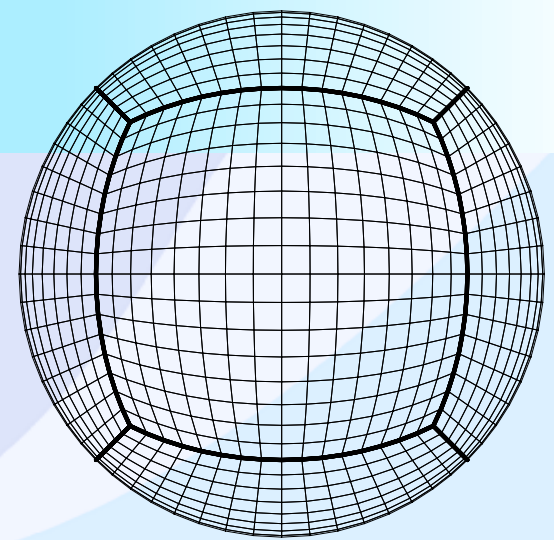
GFS: Weather Forecast System  
 RRFs: Rapid Refresh Forecast System  
 WoFS; Warn on Forecast System

# FV3 Dynamic Core: Central to UFS Applications

Courtesy: Lucas Harris, NOAA/GFDL

# The Cubed-Sphere Grid

- Gnomonic cubed-sphere grid: coordinates are great circles
- Widest cell only  $\sqrt{2}$  wider than narrowest
- More uniform than conformal, elliptic, or spring-dynamics cubed spheres
  - Tradeoff: coordinate is non-orthogonal, and special handling needs to be done at the edges and corners.



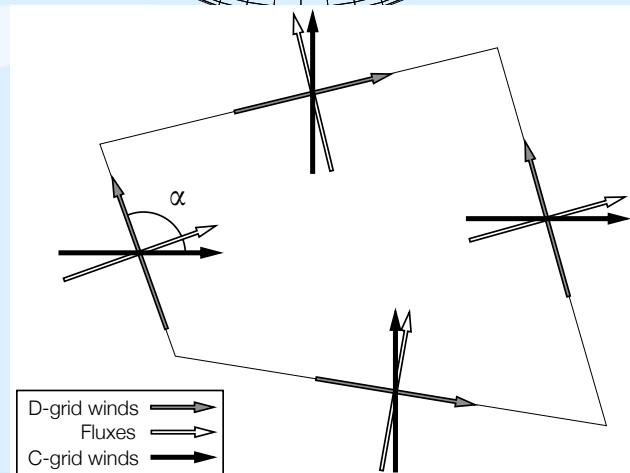
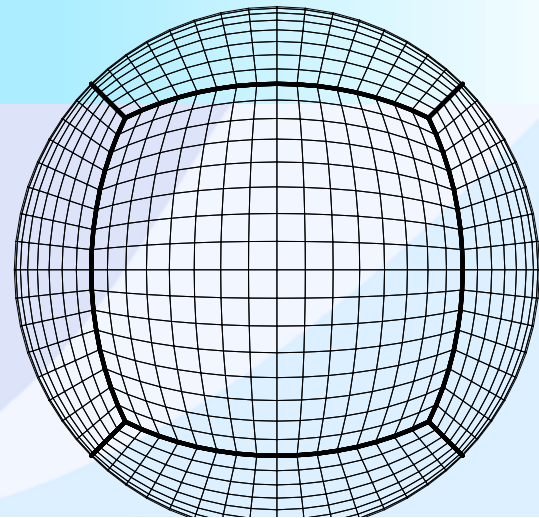
# The Cubed-Sphere Grid

Gnomonic cubed-sphere is non-orthogonal

Instead of using numerous metric terms, use covariant and contravariant winds

- Solution winds are covariant, advection is by contravariant winds
- KE is half the product of the two

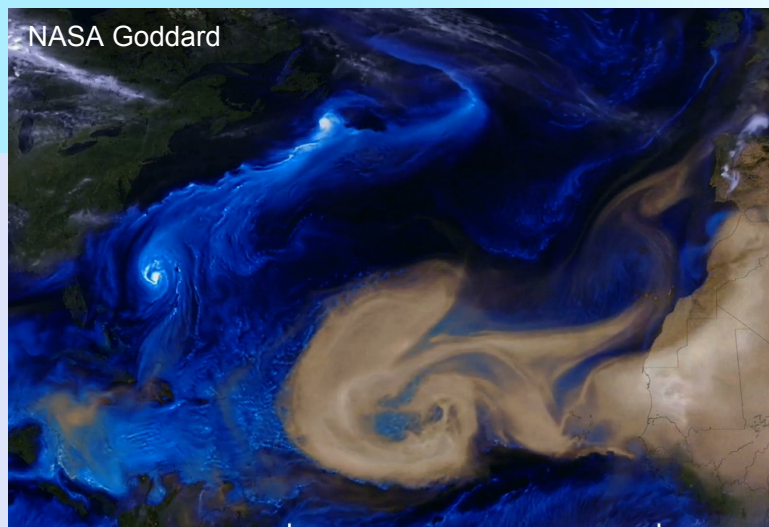
Winds  $u$  and  $v$  are defined in the local coordinate: rotation needed to get zonal and meridional components



# Features of FV3 Dynamics

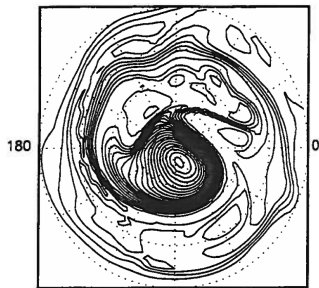
## Lagrangian Dynamics

- Eulerian in the horizontal, Lagrangian in the vertical
- Prognostic variables:  $u$ ,  $v$  (D-grid),  $w$ ,  $q_i$ ,  $\delta z$ ,  $\delta p$ ,  $\theta_v$
- All variables are layer-means, no vertical staggering
- Piece-wise parabolic method for finite volume numerics (positive, monotonic, eliminates  $2\Delta x$  noise, avoids too much diffusion)
- Lin-Rood Finite Volume advection (flux form conservative)
- Tracer advection with sub-cycling
- C-D grid discretization and time-centered fluxes; exact computation of absolute vorticity



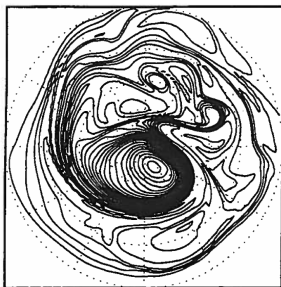
Many flows are vortical  
Not just large-scale flows

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256x128-300



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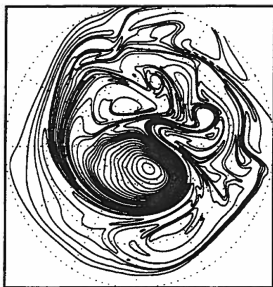
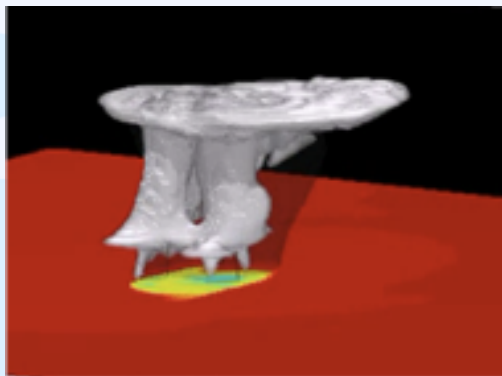
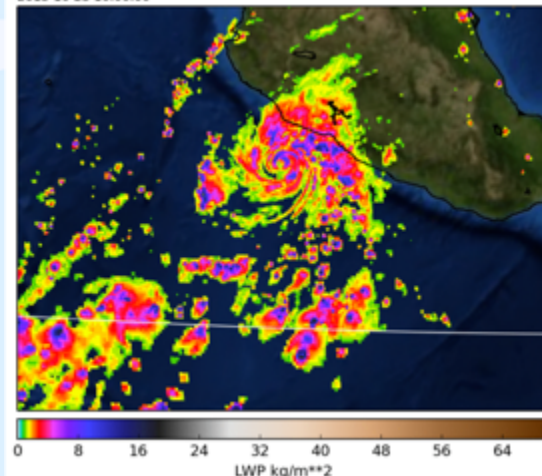


Figure 10. Polar stereographic projection (from the equator to the north pole) of the potential vorticity contours at DAY-24 in the 'stratospheric vortex erosion' test case at three different resolutions.



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# Cloud Microphysics Consistent with Dynamics

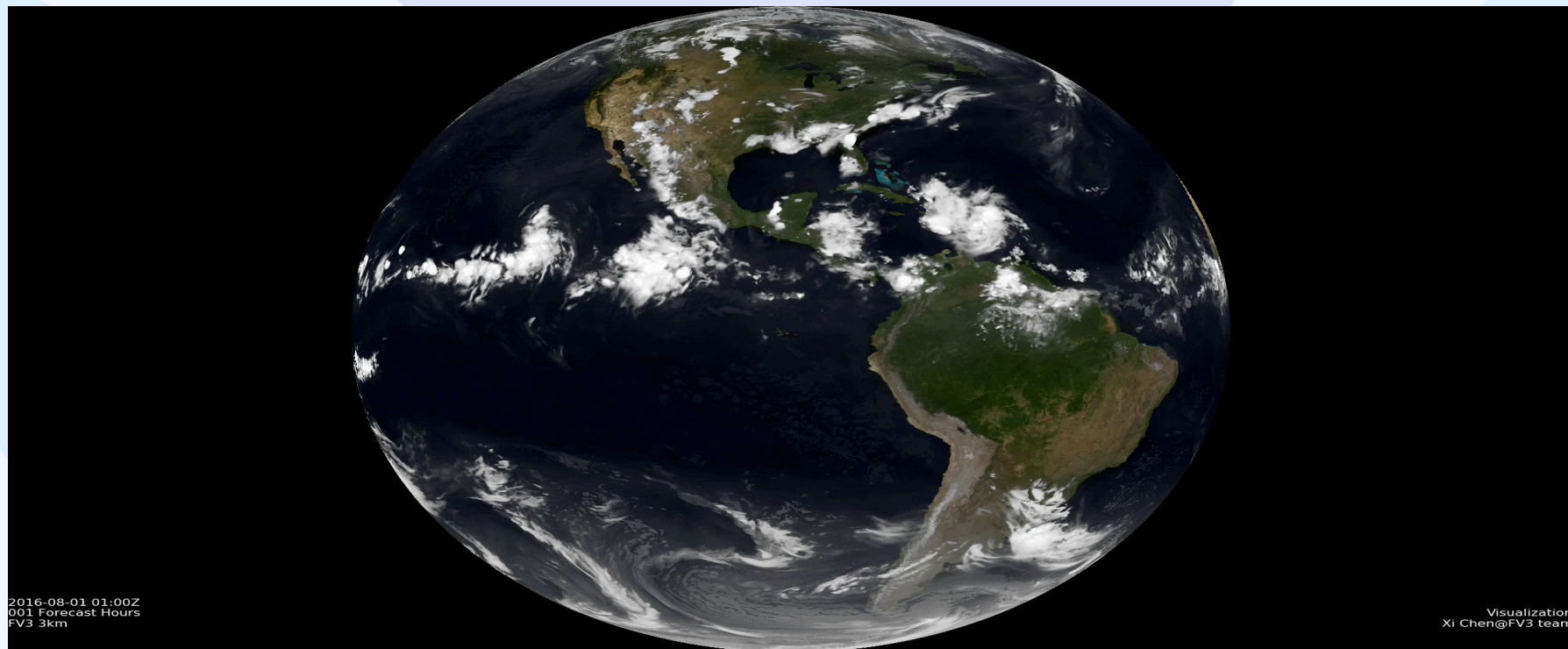
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# GFDL Cloud Micro Physics & consistency with FV3 dynamics

S.-J. Lin & Linjiong Zhou

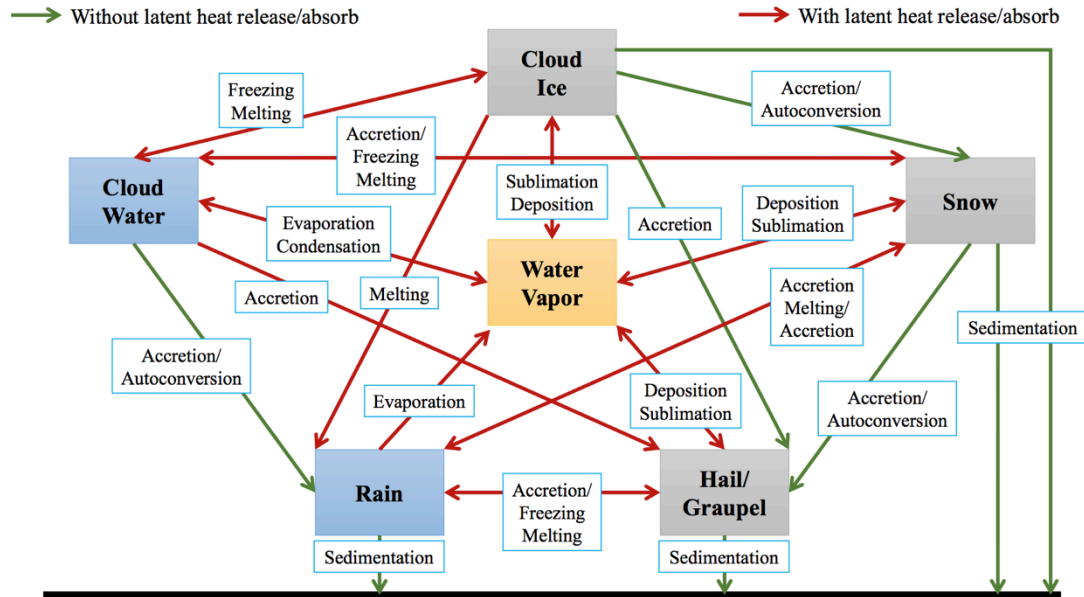
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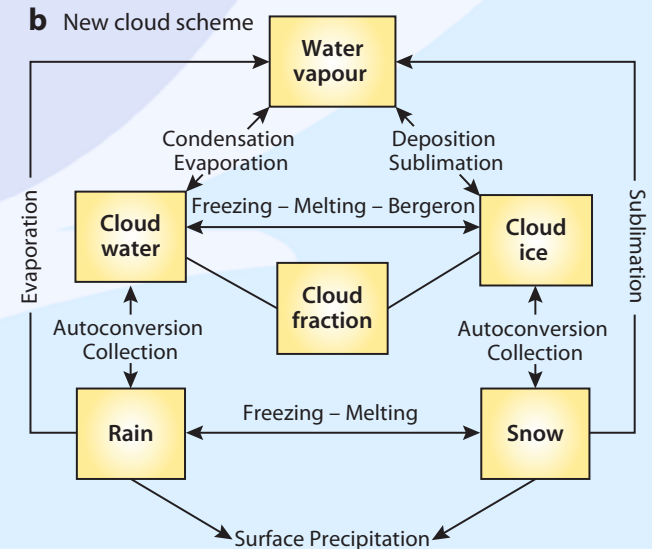


# GFDL MP is simpler than double moment schemes; but ...

## GFDL cloud microphysics (6 species)



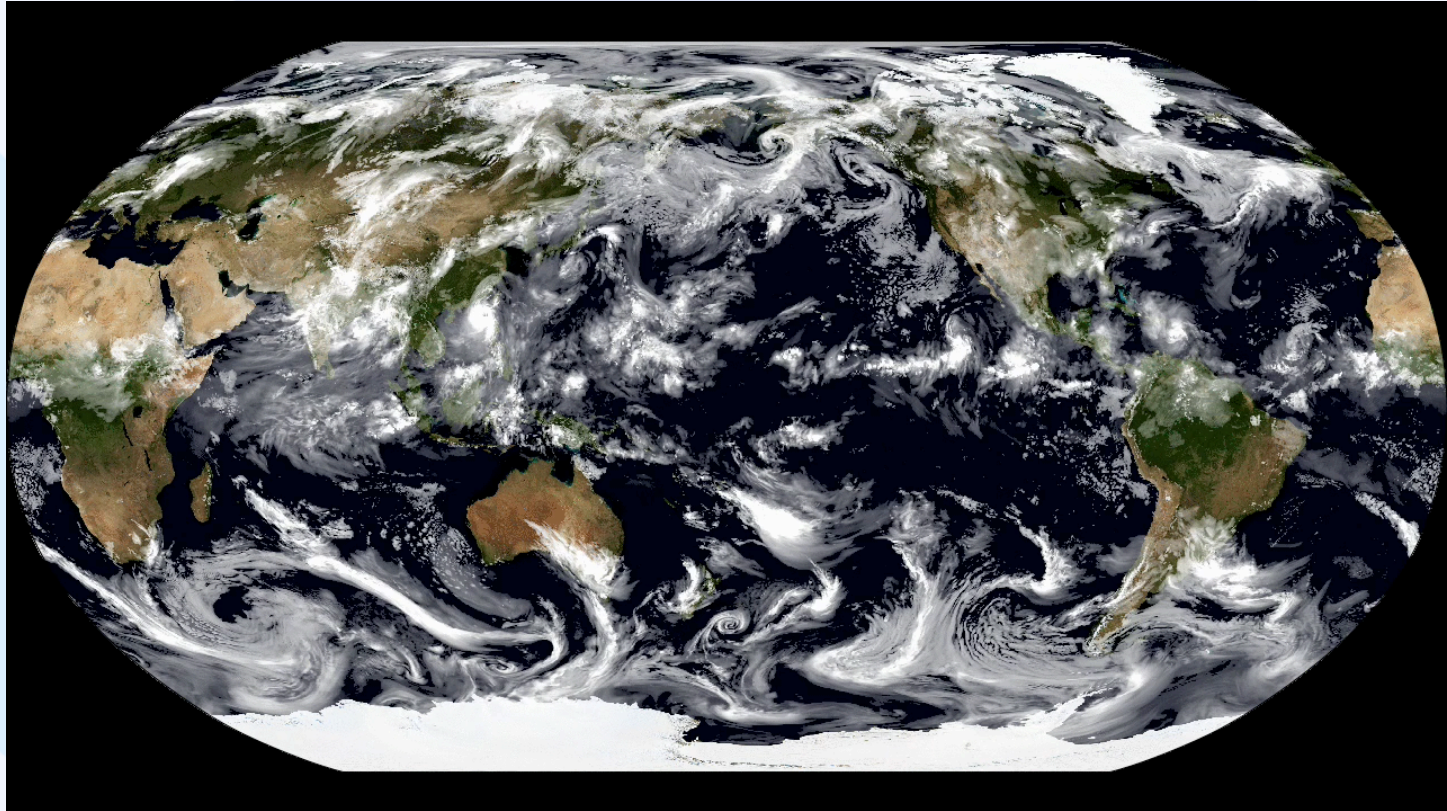
## ECMWF cloud microphysics (5 species)



# GFDL Cloud Microphysics used in the “DYAMOND” project

**C1536L79 (6.5 km resolution, equivalent to 14 megapixels)**

Total condensates (vertical sum of rain, cloud water, snow, graupel, and cloud ice): 20160801-20160810



# UFS: Advanced Physics

## Development of Advanced Physics using CCPP and HTF

# Strategic plan for advanced physics development

## x FV3-GFSv1 (2019):

- mostly GSM physics, but with GFDL MP

## x FV3-GFSv2 (2020):

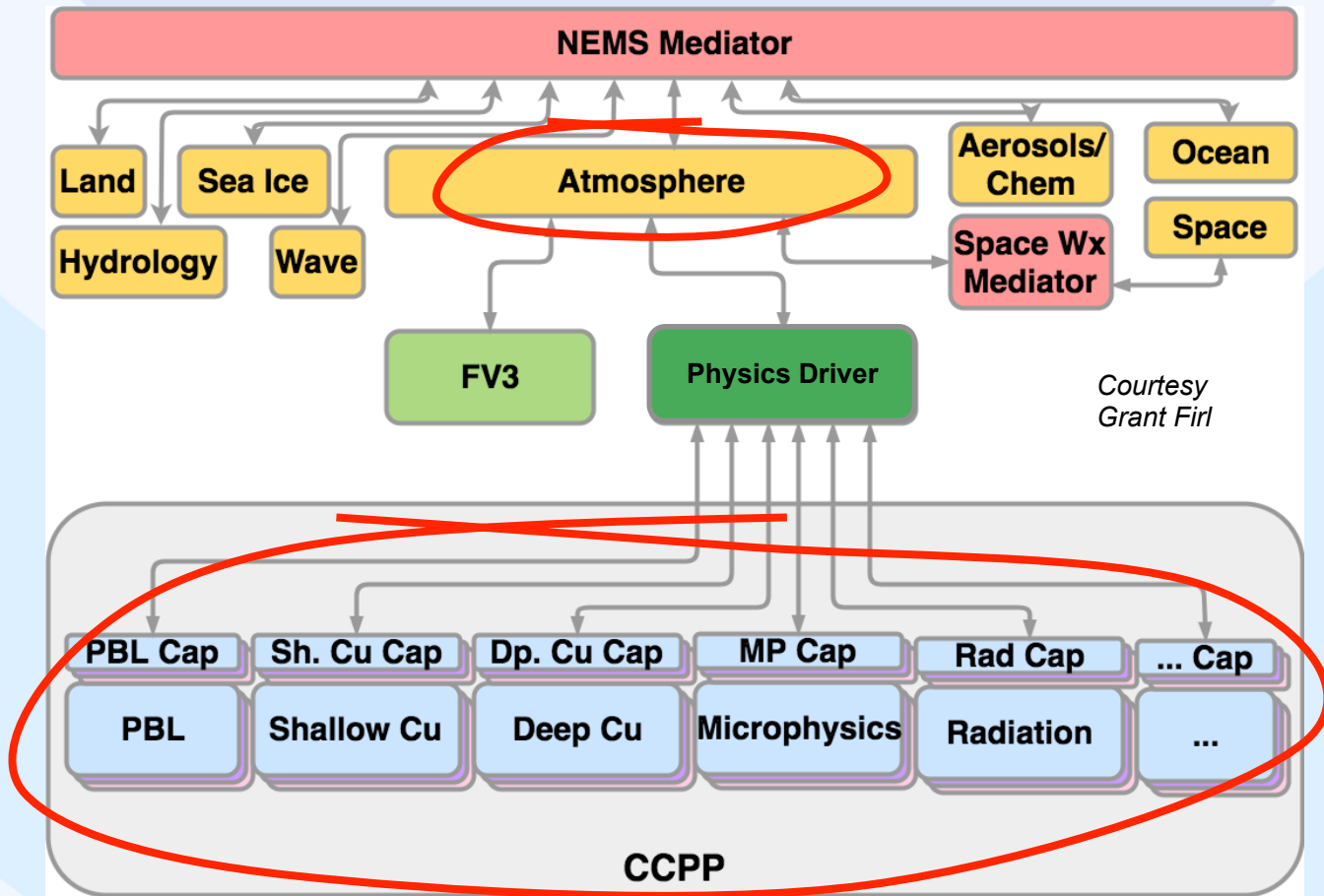
- Model Physics implemented through Common Community Physics Package (CCPP)
- Potential full-suite replacement

## FV3-GFSv3+:

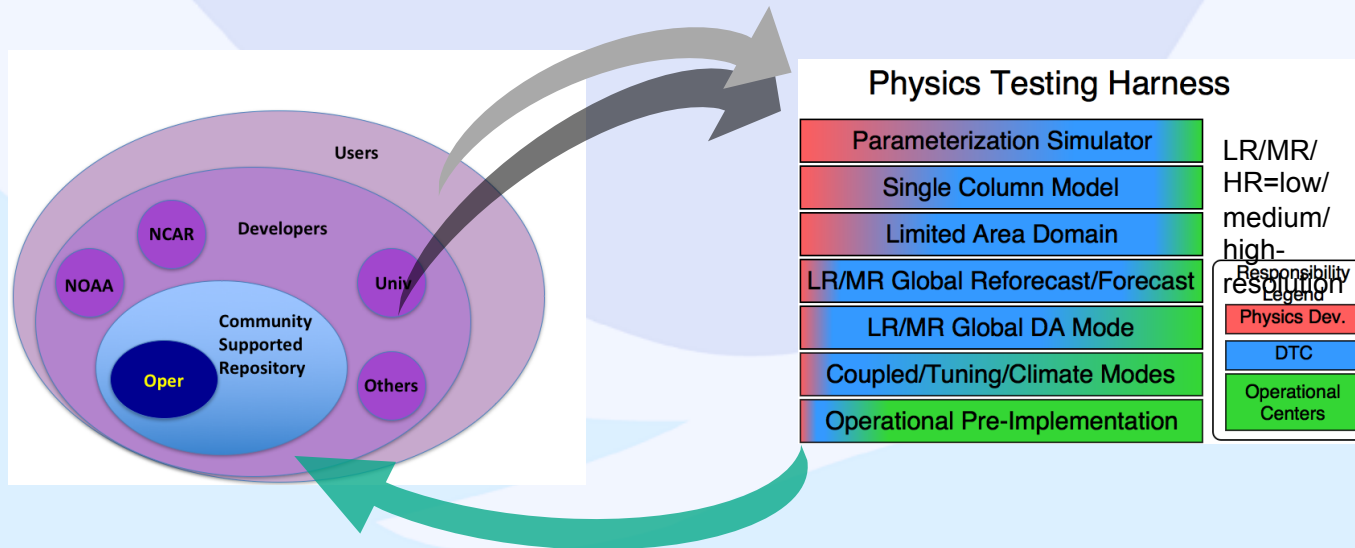
- Physics upgrades driven by community-supported Hierarchical Testing Framework connected to CCPP

# Highest Priority Physics Suite for FV3GFSv2

<u>Physical Process(es)</u>	<u>SUITE</u>		
	<u>FV3-GFSv1</u> <u>opnl 1/19</u>	<u>RAP/HRRR</u>	<u>Climate Process Team</u> <u>EMC/CSU/Utah</u>
<b>MICROPHYSICS</b>	GFDL	Thompson	Morrison-Gettleman
<b>PBL/TURB</b>	GFS/EDMF	MYNN/EDMF	Simplified H-O Closure (SHOC)
<b>DEEP MOIST Cu</b>	SA-SAS	Grell-Freitas (GF)	Chikira-Sugiyama-AW (CSAW)
<b>SHALLOW MOIST Cu</b>	SA-SAS	MYNN/EDMF	SHOC
<b>RADIATION</b>	RRTMG	RRTMG	RRTMG
<b>LAND</b>	Noah	RUC	Noah-MP



# Physics Testbed: Hierarchical concept



Single Column Model and Global Workflow are available to community collaborators

More information at <https://dtcenter.org/community-code/physics-test-harness>



Developmental Testbed Center



## Unified Forecast System: Global Models

### Global Modeling Systems:

**FV3GFS; FV3GDAS; FV3GEFS (sub-seasonal); FV3SFS (Seasonal Forecast System) and FV3WAM/IPE (space-weather)**



# FV3GFS v1.0 Implementation Plan

May 2018	Implementation Plan for FV3-GFS (FY2017-2020)														
	FY17				FY18				FY19				FY20		% complete
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	
FV3 Documentation	Evaluate, prepare and document FV3 dycore for GFS														100%
FV3 Dycore in NEMS		Implement FV3 dycore in NEMS													100%
FV3 Dycore with GFS Physics + GFDL MP			Couple FV3 to GFS physics (NUOPC physics driver) perform forecast-only experiments, add GFDL microphysics, tuning and testing												100%
4D-Hybrid GSI/EnKF DA for FV3			Develop DA techniques and use new data												100%
Post Processing			Adapt post-processing & downstream codes to FV3 Dycore												100%
Fully cycled FV3GFS experiments						Cycled experiments, Real-time and 3-yr retrospective experiments, field evaluation									30%
Operational Implementation								Transition FV3GFS (GFS V15.0) to operations							0%
Advancement of FV3GFS							Further advancements of FV3GFS with inputs from NGGPS and community contributions & Global-Meso unification (Unified Model Development)					Advanced version of FV3GFS v2.0 (GFS V16.0) to operations		20%	

Today

# Global Data Assimilation System (GDAS) for FV3:

## *New Observations and changes to GSI*

- **Increase in ensemble resolution from roughly 39km to 25km.**
- **Adaptation of stochastic physics parameterizations from the spectral model (except SKEB).**
- **IASI moisture channels ; ATMS all-sky radiances**
- **Near Sea Surface Temperature (NSST)**
- **An upgrade to the use of CrIS radiances: Addition of NOAA-20 CrIS and ATMS data (implemented on May 31, 2018 in current operational GFS)**
- **Addition of Megha-Tropiques Saphir data**
- **Addition of ASCAT data from MetOp-B**
- **AMVs from GOES-16 (already included) and GOES-17 when available**

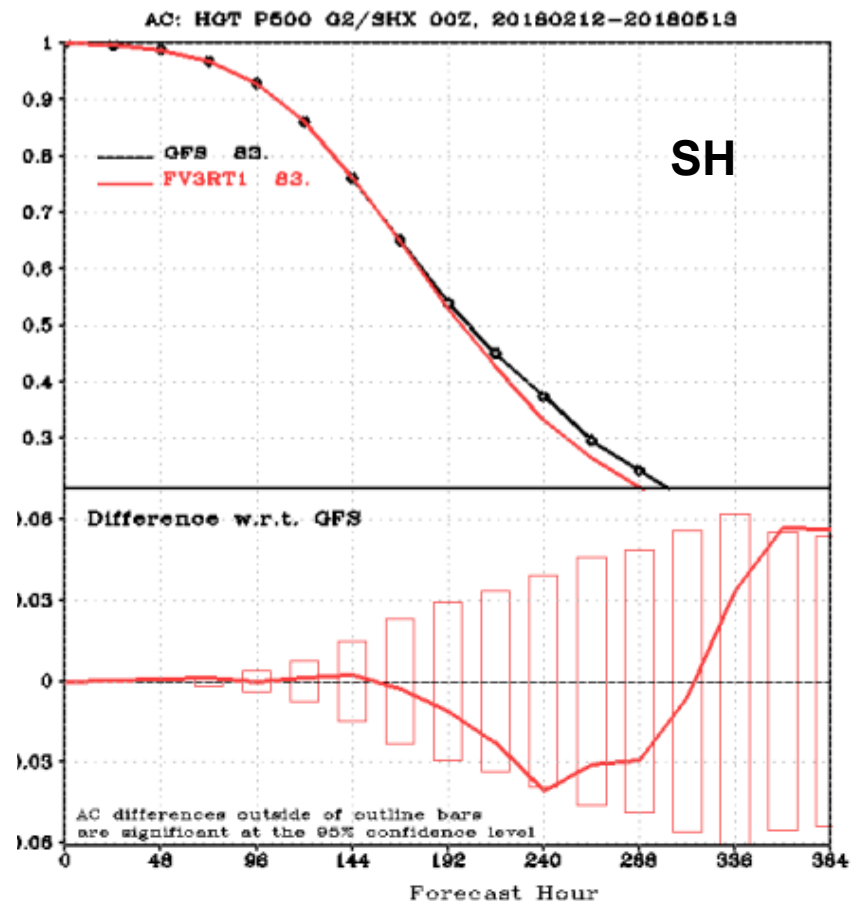
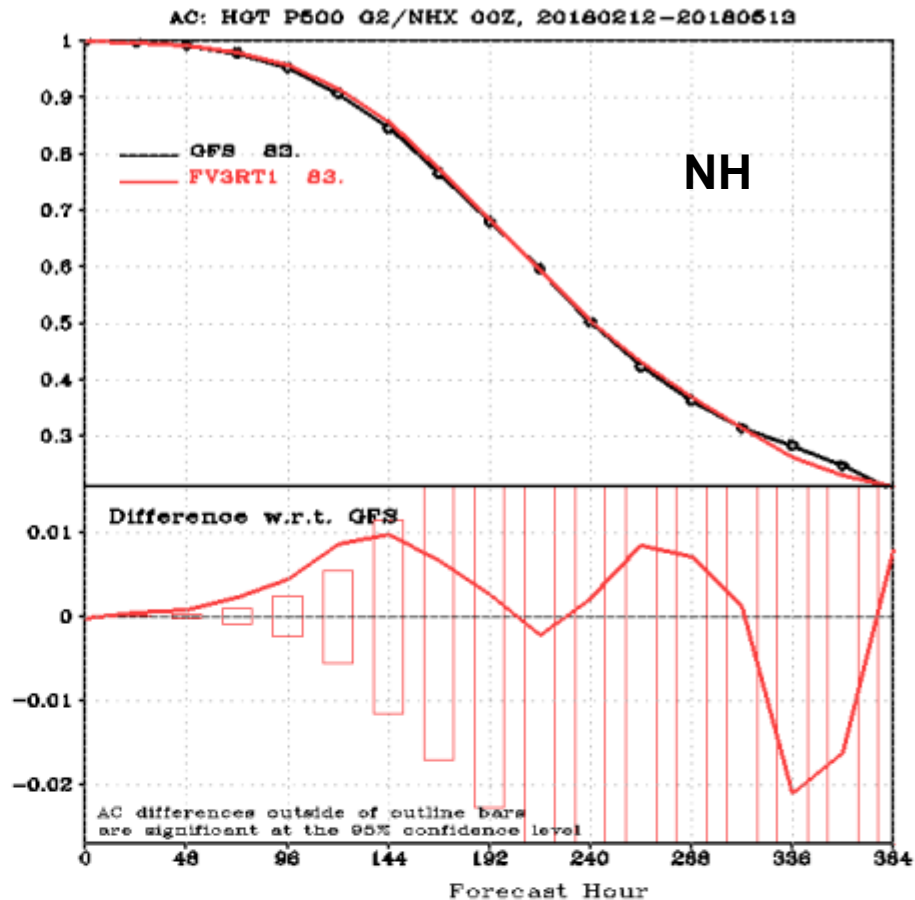
# FV3GFS Configuration, Evaluation and Schedule

FV3GFS V1.0 is being configured to replace spectral model in operations in Q2FY19

## Configuration:

- FV3GFS C768 (~13km deterministic); FV3GDAS C384 (~25km, 80 member ensemble);
- 64 layer, top at 0.2 hPa; Operational GFS Physics except for GFDL Microphysics
- Uniform resolution for all 16 days
- Real-Time data made available through [para-NOMADS](#)
- One-stop place for FV3GFS evaluation and other information:  
<http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/users/Alicia.Bentley/fv3gfs>
- **1/24/2019: Implementation**

# Real-time experiments with fully cycled FV3GFS+GFDL MP; 500-hPa HGT ACC



# FV3GEFS Implementation Plan

## Implementation Plan for FV3-GEFS (FY2017-2020)

June 2018

FV3GEFS	FY17				FY18				FY19				FY20				% complete
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
FV3GEFS Reanalysis Development			Develop and test low resolution FV3GEFS with FV3GDAS, configure it for reanalysis (ESRL)														100%
FV3GEFS Ensemble Configuration		Configure FV3GEFS ensemble resolution, members, physics, coupling to ocean and sea-ice, and extend forecasts to weeks 3&4 (EMC)															95%
FV3GEFS Reanalysis Production							Produce ~20-year reanalysis datasets using FV3GEFS/GDAS (ESRL)										15%
FV3GEFS Reforecasts								Finalize FV3GEFS V12 configuration & produce 30-year reforecasts (extended to 35 days) for calibration and validation of HEFS/OWP									0%
FV3GEFS V12 Evaluation										Evaluate FV3GEFS V12 forecast performance out to weeks 3&4							0%
FV3GEFS V12 Implementation													FV3GEFS V12 in operation				0%
Advancement of FV3GEFS													Further advancements of FV3GEFS (GFS/GEFS unification, ensemble based coupled modeling)				

Today

\* Proposed changes for GEFS V12: 1) Produce FV3 based reanalysis in FY18 using the same configuration as Q2FY19 FV3GEFS (ESRL); 2) Reforecasts will be based on FV3GEFS configured with 2-Tier SST approach; and 3) FV3GEFS Reforecasts extended to 35 days to include weeks 3&4 guidance.



# FV3-GEFS V12 Configuration

- Model configuration
  - C384 (25km) horizontal resolution and 64 hybrid vertical levels
- Ensemble size
  - **30+1** members per cycle (preferred, depends on resources availability)
- Frequency
  - 0000; 0600; 1200 and 1800UTC
- Forecast lead-time
  - 16 days for every cycle, except for
  - 35 days once per day at 00UTC
- Output
  - 3 hourly at 0.25d out to 10 days (25% additional cost for hourly output)
  - 6 hourly at 0.5d from 10 to 35 days.
- NPS Unification
  - Atmosphere forced wave ensembles
  - NEMS GFS Aerosol Component
- Reforecast configuration: The same as real-time GEFSv12 (C384L64)
- Period of reforecasts: 30 years (1989 – 2018)
- Frequency and ensemble size
  - Configuration: 30 years, initialized at 00UTC for every day; runs 5 members out to 16 days, except for 11 members out to 35 days every 5 days.
- Output data
  - 3 hourly out to 10 days at 0.25 degree resolution
  - 6 hourly beyond 10 days at 0.5 degree resolution
- Timeline to complete
  - One year (Q4FY18 – Q4FY19)

# FV3-GEFS V12 Configuration (Cont.)

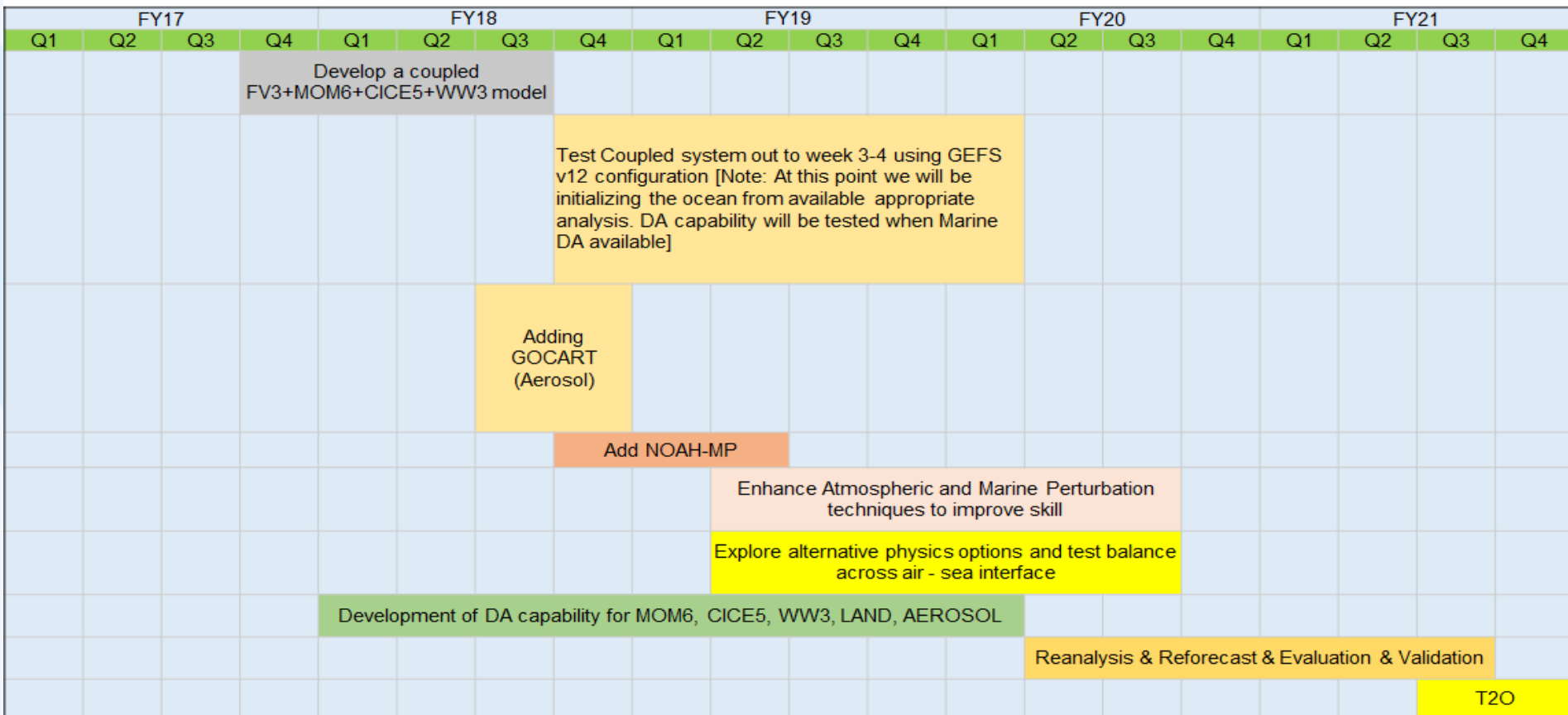
- Model
  - FV3GEFS (C384L64) with GFDL MP
- Initial perturbations
  - FV3EnKF analysis (early run) or FV3EnKF f06
  - No TS relocation for FV3EnKF
- Stochastic perturbations for atmosphere
  - SKEB, SPPT (5-Scales) and SHUM (0.004)
- Stochastic perturbations for land
  - No stochastic perturbations
- Boundary forcing for weeks 3&4 forecast
  - 2-tiered SST approach
- **Timeline for finalizing configuration – Q4FY18**

# FV3 based Coupled System for S2S (UFS: Target GEFS v13 and SFS V1.0)

- UFS system consists of the following components
  - ❖ NOAA's Environmental Modeling System (NEMS) for coupling infrastructure
  - ❖ FV3 Dycore with CCPP
  - ❖ MOM6 ocean model
  - ❖ WW3 wave model
  - ❖ CICE5 ice model
  - ❖ GOCART aerosol model
  - ❖ Noah MP land model
- Each component has its own community repository. NEMS infrastructure allows flexibility to connect instantiations of the repositories together to create a coupled modeling system.
- Q3 FY18 -- Complete technical development of FV3-MOM6-CICE5-WW3 system
- Q3 FY18 - Q1FY20 -- Detailed science testing in deterministic mode.
- Q2FY19 - Q1FY20 -- Test alternative physics and perturbation techniques
- Q1FY18 - Q1FY20 -- DA development
  - ❖ DA development for the atmosphere will rely on GSI (and any subsequent transition to JEDI)
  - ❖ DA group working on a marine DA in JEDI (DA for MOM6, WW3 and CICE5). Separate development plan



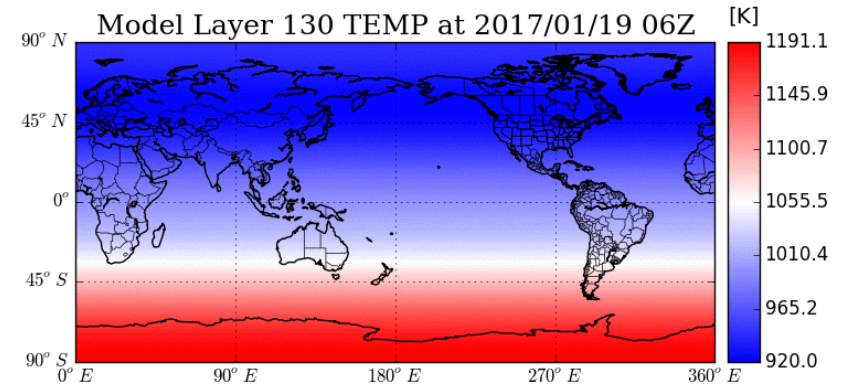
# UFS/S2S Development Timeline



# FV3 based Deep Atmosphere Dynamics for WAM/IPE

## Joint development plan for Space Weather Applications: (EMC/GFDL/SWPC/CU Collaboration)

- Extend FV3 vertical domain to be the same as GSM WAM
- Adiabatic mode of FV3
- Extend to WAM domain with WAM cold-start IC
- Use GFS physics with Rayleigh damping
- Add diffusivity, conductivity, viscosity for upper-layer integration
- Add WAM physics and multi gases thermodynamics
- Add deep-atmosphere dynamics
- Couple to IPE using NUOPC mediator



## FV3 based Regional Convection Allowing Models

### Development of FV3 based Stand-Alone Regional Model

# FV3 for Convection Allowing Models: Stand-alone regional configuration

## Completed

- Q3FY17: Initial concept ensemble test case with FV3 nesting on a stretched cube (manually run)
- Q1FY18: More testing with global FV3 with a 3 km CONUS nest on a stretched cube including ensemble display tools
- Q3FY18: Develop a standalone regional FV3 capability, share codes with GSD and NSSL

## Near-term Milestones

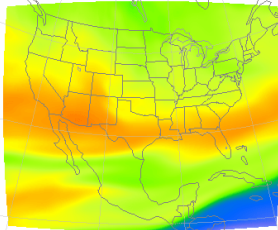
- Q4FY18: Static nests running in standalone regional FV3
- Q4FY18: Integration/testing of advanced physics in nested FV3
- Q4FY18: Early adopters workshop on standalone regional FV3
- Q2FY19: Compare pure FV3-based HREF with multi-model HREF

# Early results from stand-alone FV3CAM

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specific humidity

Forecast time 1 hr  
Valid time: 2018-04-18T01:00:00

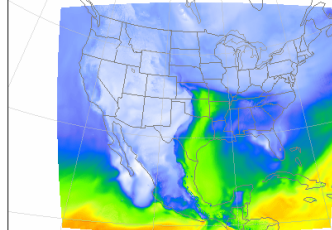
Q at level 3



sphum l=58  
specific humidity

Forecast time 1 hr  
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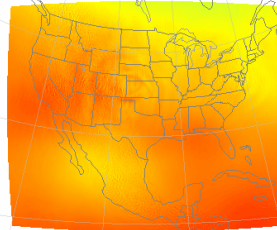
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temperature

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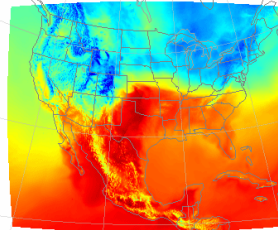
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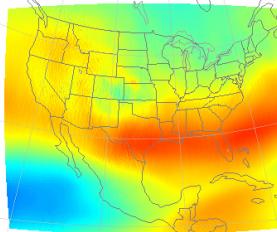
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zonal wind

Forecast time 1 hr  
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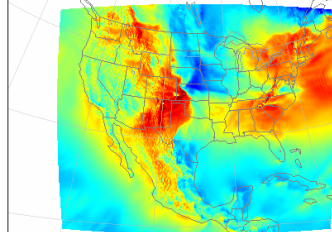
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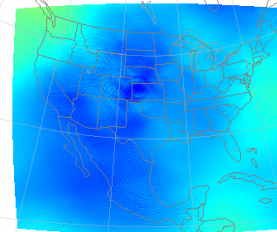
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meridional wind

Forecast time 1 hr  
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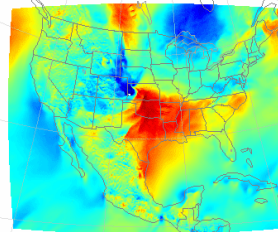
V at level 3



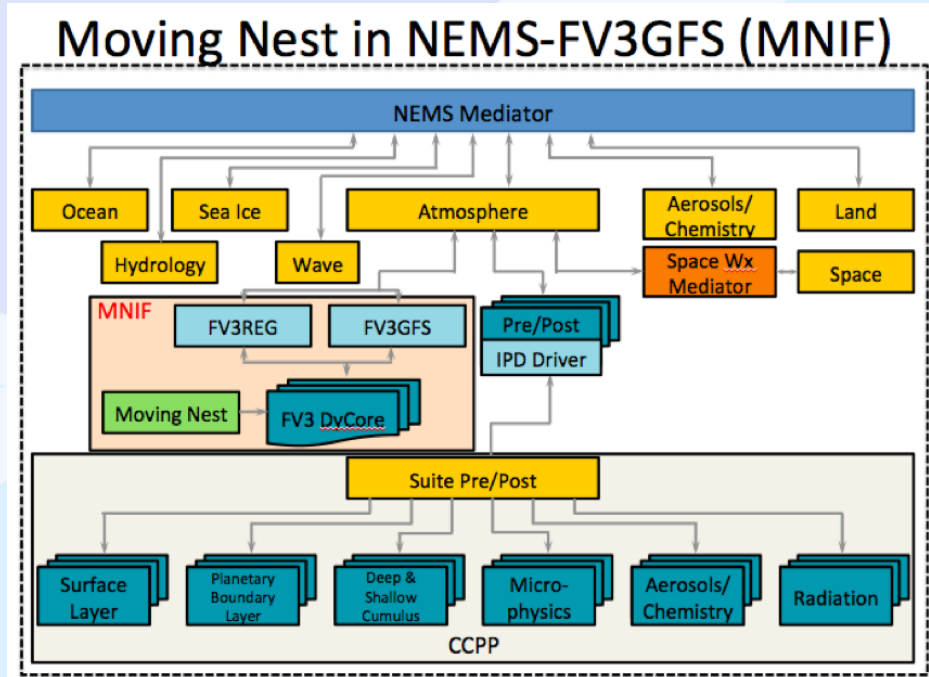
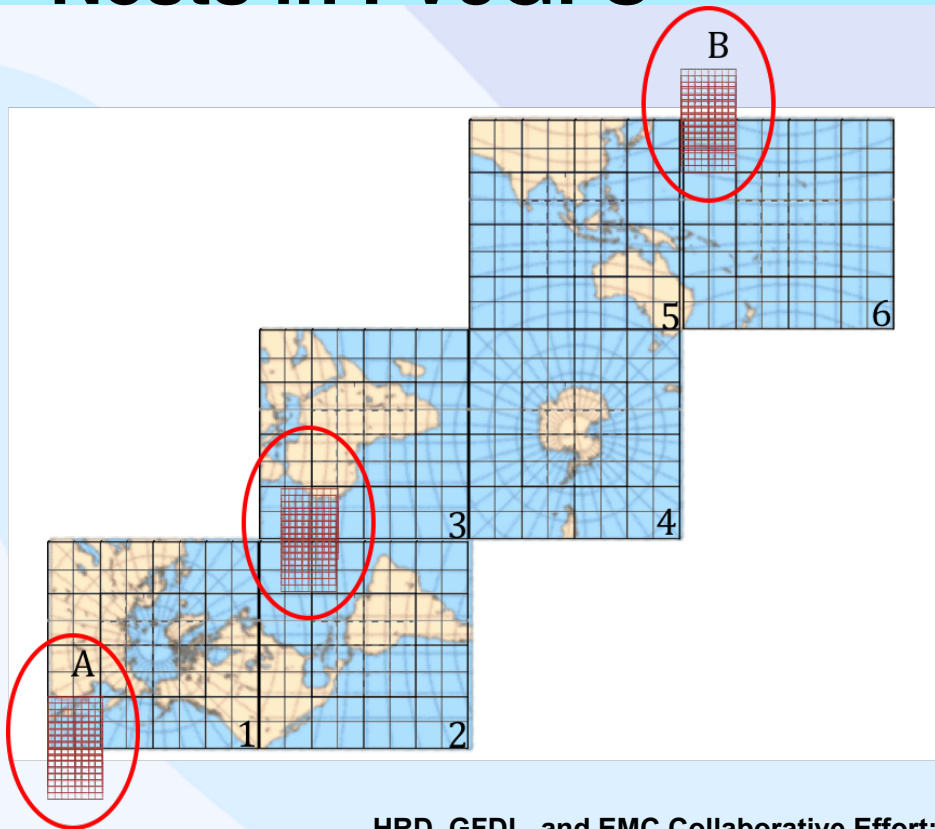
vcomp l=58  
meridional wind

Forecast time 1 hr  
Valid time: 2018-04-18T01:00:00

V at level 58



# UFS for Hurricanes: Next Generation Moving Nests in FV3GFS



HRD, GFDL and EMC Collaborative Effort: Target 2021 Implementation

## Community Engagement

**NGGPS supported activities; Access to FV3 Repositories and Training**

# Community engagement: FV3GFS V1 Code Public Release on March 30, 2018 through Github.com and NOAA Virtual Lab (VLab)

- Access FV3GFS Project on VLab
- Code repositories set up on Github.com & VLab GIT
- Community Wiki page, Forums and Developers Pages on VLab
- ICs for Canned Cases:
  - August 17, 2017 **Hurricane Harvey**
  - February 10, 2016 **Atmospheric River**
  - February 28, 2018 **East Coast Noreaster**
- Capability to generate ICs for any case
- Limited support from EMC
- Model Resolutions: C192 (~50km), C382 (~25km) or C768 (~13km)

<https://github.com/NOAA-EMC/fv3gfs> - Public Version

Commit	Author	Time
Initial add of FV3GFS system files to repository	KateFriedman	44 minutes ago
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<https://vlab.ncep.noaa.gov/web/fv3gfs> - Developers Version

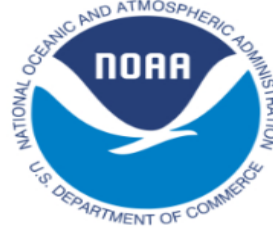
**FV3GFS Version 1 Public Release**

- Release Date: March 30, 2018
- Configuration: NEMS + FV3\_CAP + FV3\_Dycore + IPDv4 + FV3GFS\_Beta\_Physics
- Resolution: C192 (~50km), C384 (~25km), C768 (~13km), no nesting/stretching
- Build the model: Umbrella build is made available on WCOSS, Theia, Jet, and Gaea, with pre-installed libraries and utilities.
- Data: Fixed fields for running the model and initial conditions (both on disk for selected cases or user generated using CHGRES and NEMS GSM analysis extracted from HPSS)
- Method of Release: NOAA-EMC GitHub; VLab GIT



# FV3 Training at NCWCP: June 12-14, 2018

WELCOME TO THE FV3GFS VLAB COMMUNITY!



## FV3GFS Announcements:

### Upcoming FV3 Training

GFDL and EMC are pleased to announce an initial FV3 training targeted towards technical developers; the goal of this initial training is to focus on the detailed description of the FV3GFS forecast model (dynamic core, solver and physics) and various utilities, and testing of the FV3GFS for global atmospheric applications. A demo on how to run FV3GFS using the FV3GFS workflow including post processing and verification will also be part of this training.

The training will be held at NCWCP/NCEP in College Park, Maryland June 12th through 14th. More information will be available soon on the following community page: <https://vlab.ncep.noaa.gov/web/fv3gfs/training>

# FV3 Training at CWB: June 19-22, 2018

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Taiwan West Pacific Global Forecast System Development Workshop

第三屆臺灣與西北太平洋全球預報系統發展研討會

CWB, Taipei, Taiwan, June 19 - 22, 2018

CWB conference room 310, 617

## PROGRAM

Day 1 - Tuesday, June 19 (room 310)		
<b>Opening Session</b>		
Chair : Chia-Ping (Mark) Cheng 程家平, Director, Meteorological Information Center, CWB, Taiwan		
09:00-09:05	Tren-Chiang Yeh 蔡天降 Director General, CWB, Taiwan	Welcome Remarks
09:05-09:15	Ming-Dean Cheng 鄭明燦 Deputy Director General, CWB, Taiwan	Objective of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> TWPGFS Development Workshop / Invitee (Panel) introduction
09:15-09:55	Brian Gross Director, EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	Directions of agency and community modeling efforts, pathways for CWB to engage in collaborative research and development
09:55-10:10	Group Photo and Tea Break	
<b>Section 1 : The EMC NCGPS and its New Physics Processes</b>		
Chair : Jen-Her Chen 陳健河, Senior Meteorologist, Meteorological Information Center, CWB, Taiwan		
10:10-10:50	Vijay Tallapragada Global Branch Chief, EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	Development of non-hydrostatic unified modeling system, progress and plan for development of advanced physics in NCGPS era (NCGPS/FV3)
10:50-11:00	Tea Break	
11:00-11:30	Rui Yu Sun Senior Scientist EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	Testing of alternate cloud microphysics schemes in NCGPS/FV3
11:30-12:00	FangLin Yang Senior Scientist EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	The installation and evaluation of FV3 dycore and advancement physics in GFS for Q1FY19 operational implementation
12:00-13:30	Lunch Break (room 311)	

## Day 2 - Wednesday, June 20 (room 310)

### Section 3 : The EMC Ensemble Prediction, Data Assimilation, and Postprocesses

Chair : Jyh-Wen Hwu 胡志文, Associate Researcher, R&D Center, CWB, Taiwan

Hui-Lin Chang 蔡惠玲, Senior Meteorologist, R&D Center, CWB, Taiwan

09:00-09:30	Yuejian Zhu Ensemble lead EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	Update on FV3-based GEF S <sub>v12</sub> , plans for weeks 3-4
09:30-10:00	Philip Pegion Senior Scientist ESRL/NOAA, USA	Development and testing of stochastic parameterizations for use in data assimilation and ensemble prediction systems
10:00-10:10	Tea Break	
10:10-10:40	Daryl Kleist Senior Scientist EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	Enhancements to Hybrid 4D EnVar through shifting/lagging, scale-dependent localization, and expanding all-sky capabilities with new GFDLMP
10:40-11:10	Catherine Thomas Senior Scientist EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	Update on data assimilation activities for NCGPS/FV3: impacts on data assimilation within context of new microphysics scheme, cloud analysis, and plans for higher vertical resolution
11:10-11:20	Tea Break	
11:20-11:50	Jason Levit Postprocess and verification lead EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	Current and Future Strategies for Verification and Post-Processing of Numerical Weather Prediction Models at the NOAA Environmental Modeling Center
11:50-12:20	Jun Wang Senior Scientist Engineering and Implementation Branch EMC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA, USA	An overview of the NOAA Environmental Modeling System infrastructure

## Day 3 - Thursday, June 21 (room 617)

### Section 5 : EMC modeling infrastructure and NCGPS Tutorial

09:00-10:30 Tutorial Course (1)

10:30-10:40 Tea Break

10:40-12:00 Tutorial Course (2)

# NGGPS/UFS: Next Steps

Continue integration and implement FV3 dynamical core

- Accelerate evolution of model physics
- Implement improved data assimilation (adapt to the new model with FV3 dynamical core and add data sets)
- Develop enhanced post-processing, ensemble methods; verification and validation; visualization tools and techniques
- Foster a community involvement in:
  - UFS Governance
  - Model environment with GMTB, JCSDA
  - Testing and evaluation of components and systems
  - Planning and development through NGGPS/UFS Working Groups and SIP

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