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## Moving to Community Modeling In the National Weather Service

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### **Current State of NCEP Production Suite**



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#### **Distinct Modeling Systems of NPS:**

- AQM: CMAQ North American Air Quality Model (84 hrs)
- CFS: Spectral model coupled to ocean and ice & weakly coupled DA for seasonal forecasts (9 months)
- GDAS/GFS: FV3 based atmospheric model with GSI based DA (16 days, medium range)
- GEFS: Spectral model with 21 member ensemble (16 days)
- HiRes Window: Regional NMMB (72 hrs)
- HREF: Ensembles of WRF ARW and NMMB (72 hrs)
- HRRR/RAP: Regional WRF ARW with ensemble DA (36 hrs)
- HWRF: Regional WRF NMM-E hurricane model coupled to ocean and waves (126 hrs)
- HMON: Regional NMMB hurricane model coupled to ocean (126 hrs)
- HySPLIT: Regional on-demand dust/smoke/volcanic ash prediction
- NAM: NMMB North American Mesoscale Model (84 hrs)
- NAM Nests: High-Resolution NMMB Nests (84 hrs)
- NWPS: SWAN Near Shore Wave Prediction System
- NGAC: Global Spectral Model for Aerosols (5 days)
- NLDAS: Regional Land Data Assimilation System
- NAEFS: North American Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS+Canadian Ensembles)
- NWM: WRF Hydro for Water Prediction (5 days)
- RTMA/URMA: Regional Mesoscale Analysis
- RTOFS: HyCOM Global Ocean Model (5 days)
- SREF: Short Range Ensemble with WRF ARW, NMMB (84 hrs)
- Waves: Global multigrid WaveWatch III Model (10 days)
- Wave Ensembles: Global WaveWatch III Ensembles (10 days)
- Great Lakes: WaveWatch III for great lakes (10 days)
- Space Weather: Global Spectral Whole Atmosphere Model
- Space Weather: WSA EnLil Solar Wind Predition Model

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### **NPS Transitioning to UFS Applications**

"UFS is configurable into multiple applications that span local to global domains and predictive time scales from less than an hour to more than a year."

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Conceptual UFS applications in production covering all NPS applications, maintaining the dependencies between the applications and products.



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### **Community-Based Development**

The Unified Forecast System (UFS) is a comprehensive, **community-based** Earth modeling system, designed as both a research tool and as the basis for NOAA's operational forecasts.

> Partner Organizations: Federal, Private and Educational Research, Development, and Use of Environmental Prediction Software

UFS Community Research and Development

> Transition UFS Applications to Operations

> > Implementation of Operational Applications Based on UFS

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## Parts of a UFS Application



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## What does this mean for model data?

- EMC receives requests for operational model output
- EMC must retain key datasets to evaluate upgrades and to serve the research community (e.g., <u>CFS Reanalysis</u>)
- Community-based development imposes limitations on reproducibility -> agreed-to metrics ("basket of metrics")
- Accepted metadata standards
- Limitations on reproducibility from restricted data

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## What does this mean for model data?

- Resolution catastrophe =>
  - In situ product generation
  - Subsampling for I/O => knowing product needs a priori
  - See previous comment on metrics!
- Obsolescing of computing environments limits reproducing simulations
  - Use of github should improve code provenance
- 5-year lifetime for NCEP model output on RDHPCS data archive
  - NCEP Production Suite archives ~1 petabyte/month
  - NCEP Development archives ~2.5 petabyte/month

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### Takeaways....

- Access to model output is crucial for model improvement
  - The more eyes on it, the better
  - Community!

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- Decisions are required regarding what to save, how frequently, and for how long
  - Constrained by resources and technology













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Thank you!

### **Questions?**

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## **R202R: Improving by Doing**

- Use FV3-GFS release to increase community engagement, advance UFS plans (e.g. graduate student test), develop linkages across applications
- Use the two planned cycles of physics development and ongoing coupled system development to define and improve the R2O process



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