

DOE - Earth System Modeling model development perspectives

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DOE's Earth System Modeling (ESM)

- DOE's Earth System Modeling supports global climate model development, with particular focus on DOE science, mission, effective use of DOE computational facilities.
- The DOE-SciDAC program supports computationally and mathematically advanced model development and performance
- For land model development, ESM has important interactions with DOE's Terrestrial, Integrated Assessment and RGCM activities

ESM supports

- a) Community projects (e.g. Hurtt et al LU-LC historical datasets for CMIP6)
- b) SciDAC model development projects
- c) ACME (Accelerated Climate Modeling for Energy)







Accelerated Climate Model for Energy (ACME) Overview

ACME is a global coupled climate model development project started in 2014 to develop a version of the Community Earth System Model (CESM) that will:

- effectively use advanced DOE computational facilities, with highresolution (1/4 degree) short time-scale emphasis (1970-2050)
- address Energy-mission-relevant science challenges

ACME Science drivers, each has its own experimental design: Water cycle: How do the hydrological cycle and water resources interact with the climate system on local to global scales? Water management and availability

Biogeochemistry: How do biogeochemical cycles interact with global climate change? Carbon cycle – carbon exchange between land and atmosphere, effect of nutrients (C-N-P), hydrology

Cryosphere-Ocean: How do rapid changes in cryospheric systems interact with the climate system? Sea level rise

ACME Version 1 (v1) is frozen, to be released in 2017 Version 2 (V2) is under development



ACME Land Model (ALM), branched from CLM 4.5

- V1 development complete
- Hydrology
 - MOSART river routing
 - VSFM soil hydrology
- Biogeochemistry
 - ECA nutrient competition model
 - BeTR reactive transport code
 - PFLOTRAN-BGC Coupling
- Vegetation
 - Dynamic rooting distribution
 - Dynamic C:N:P stoichiometry (ECA)
 - PiTS allocation
- Infrastructure/Architecture
 - UQ framework
 - Benchmarking (iLAMB)
 - Spinup acceleration
 - Point model implementation
 - Functional unit testing; modular design

V2 – under development

- Hydrology / Physics
 - Basin-sub-basin structure
 - Topographic influence on processes
 - Lateral subsurface flow
 - Variable soil depth
 - VIC runoff; Inundation dynamics
 - Stream temp, sediment, BGC, nutrient
- Biogeochemistry
 - Microbial models, minerals, CH₄
 - Wetland biogeochemistry
- Vegetation
 - Ecosystem demography (NGEE Tropics)
 - Dynamic plant traits
 - Carbon and nutrient storage, transport
 - Plant hydraulics and mortality
- Human Dimensions
 - Water, crop Management





ESM and **DOE** -Terrestrial programs

Terrestrial programs conduct field and process research/modeling, contribute to development of ACME land model

NGEE-Arctic and NGEE-Tropics use ACME-Land Model and contribute to development of:

- Ecosystem Demography
- Trait methods
- Soil biogeochemistry with C, N and P
- Coupling subsurface and plant processes
- Scaling of fine-scale hydrologic processes
- rooting schemes

Strong interest in scale issues: when and how should high-resolution processes be embedded, when parameterized?

Watershed-focused model development by subsurface projects provide high-resolution BGC-hydrology capabilities





ESM and Energy, Integrated Assessment

As a Department of Energy modeling activity, emphasis is on including human and energy interactions with the climate and land:

- Water management (irrigation, withdrawals, temperature, pollution)
- Agriculture, crops, fertilization
- Land-use, land-cover changes
- Disturbances (fire, pests, development)
- With the Integrated Assessment program, consider how best to represent:
 - Scenarios and energy pathways
 - Impacts and adaptation

Scale issues again: when is 2-way versus 1-way coupling appropriate?







Other DOE computation and math capabilities

Modularity accommodates:

- Multiple versions
- Different levels of complexity
- Process testing
- **Uncertainty analysis**
- **Model parameter calibration**
- Model spin-up acceleration
- **Emulators, reduced-order modeling**

Coarse model

high-resolution



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ACME Land Model: Modular Interface Design / Implementation (v1)

Final thoughts

- Development groups are encouraged to share diagnostics used in their development with ILAMB community
- ACME is both using and providing diagnostic datasets to ILAMB
- ILAMB will eventually provide DOE's Ameriflux, ARM surface flux, and relevant NGEE-Arctic and NGEE-tropics datasets
- Modular development may facilitate process intercomparison or exchange









Thank you!

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ACME: http://climatemodeling.science.energy.gov/projects /accelerated-climate-modeling-energy

Earth System Modeling: http://science.energy.gov/ber/research/cesd/earthsystem-modeling-program/



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