

Introduction to CESM, CAM-chem, and MUSICAv0

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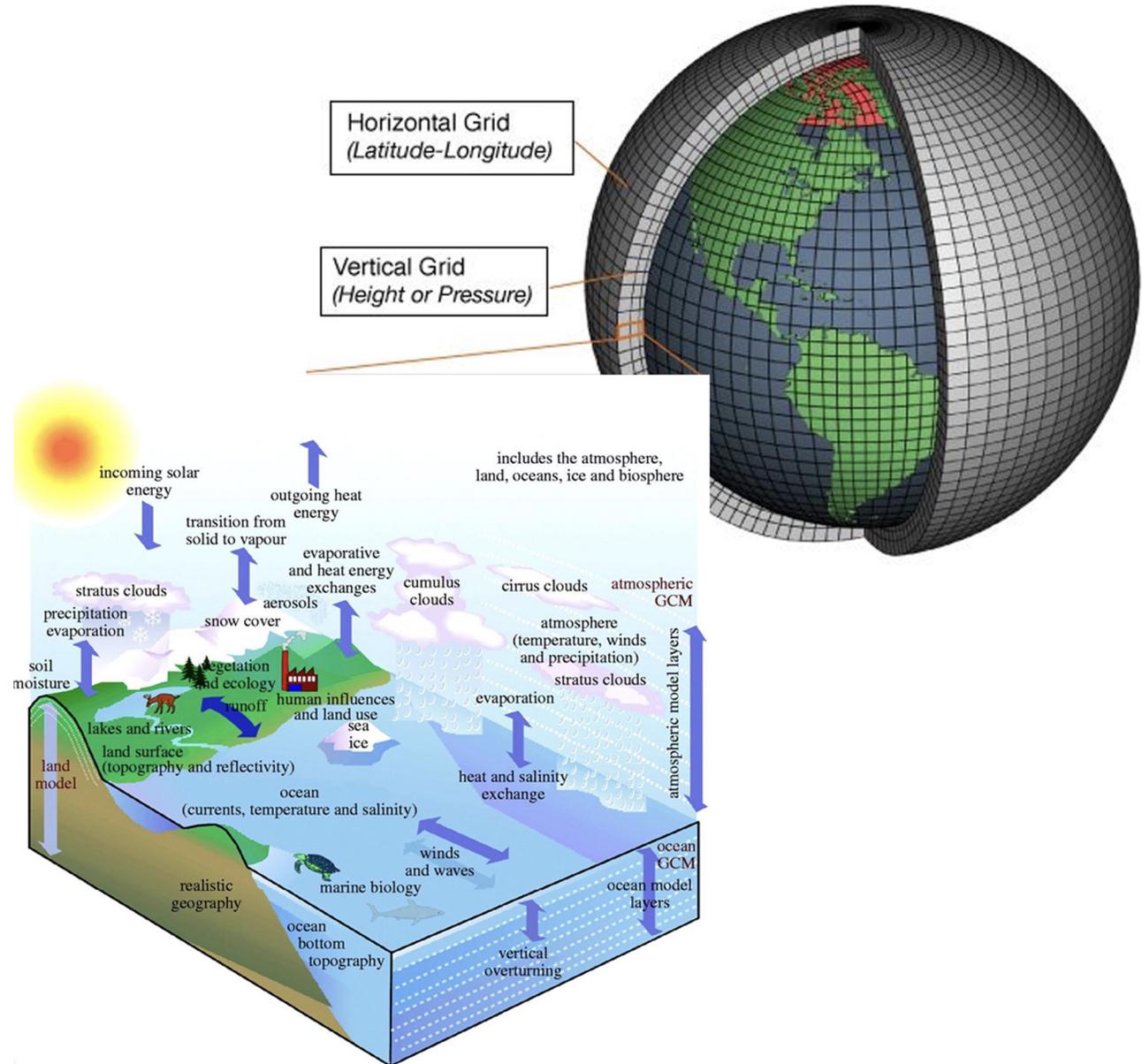


Global Earth System Models

The models use physical equations to simulate key fields and processes in the atmosphere, ocean, land, sea-ice, land-ice, etc.

Processes that remain below the grid resolution need to be parameterized.

Models build on our understanding of processes from observations and highly-detailed models (e.g., process models, large eddy simulations).

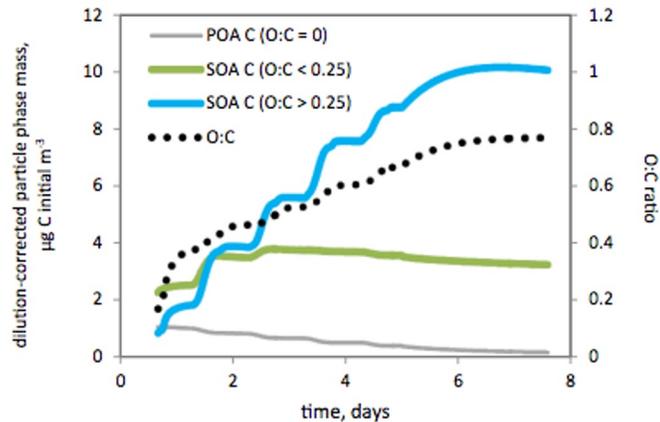


Current Atmospheric Chemistry Modeling Ecosystem

Understanding Air Quality and Chemistry in Detail

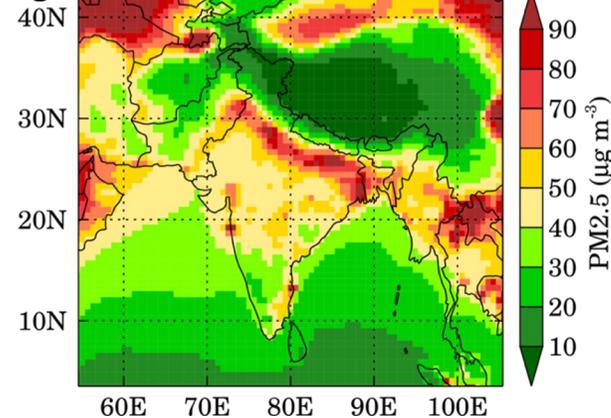
Chemical Box Models
Column Models
LES and CFD models, etc.

Radiative Transfer models
Biogenic & Canopy models
Hyper-explicit chemical models, etc.



Examining the Urban/Cloud Resolving to Regional Scales

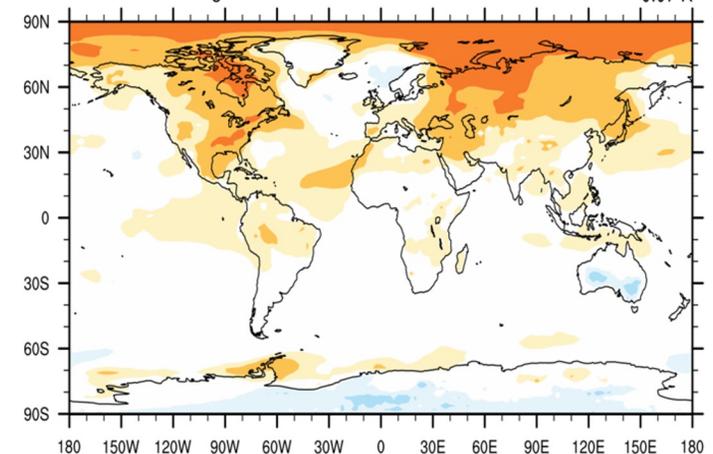
Regional Chemical Transport models



Global Scale Impacts of Atmospheric Chemistry

Global Chemical Transport Models

Earth System Models



MUSICA – Multi-Scale Infrastructure for Chemistry & Aerosols

A new model-independent infrastructure, which will enable chemistry and aerosols to be simulated at different resolutions in a coherent fashion

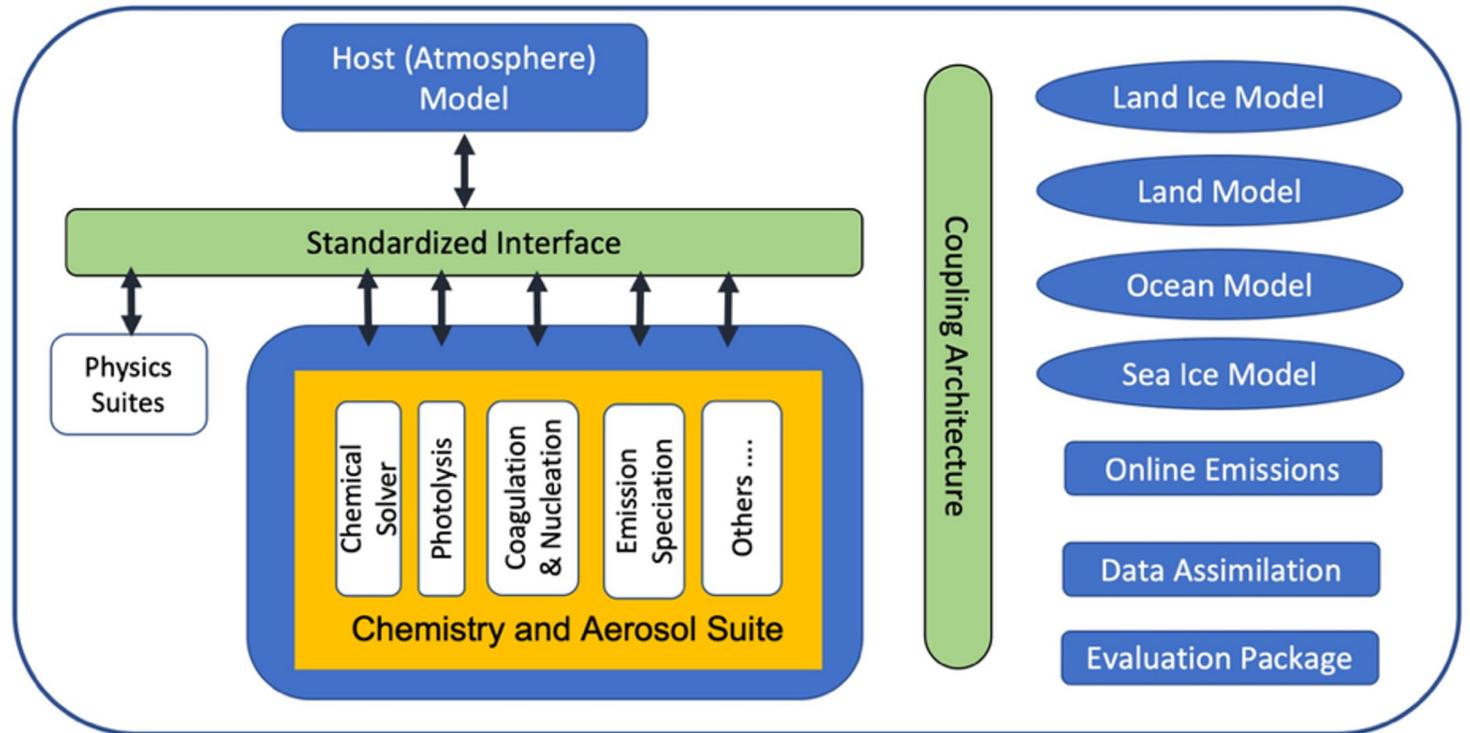
MUSICA

Multiscale Infrastructure for
Chemistry and Aerosols

Will **facilitate use of a variety** of chemistry schemes, physics parameterizations and atmospheric models

Coupled to other earth system component models (land, ocean, sea ice, etc.)

Whole atmosphere framework: troposphere to thermosphere

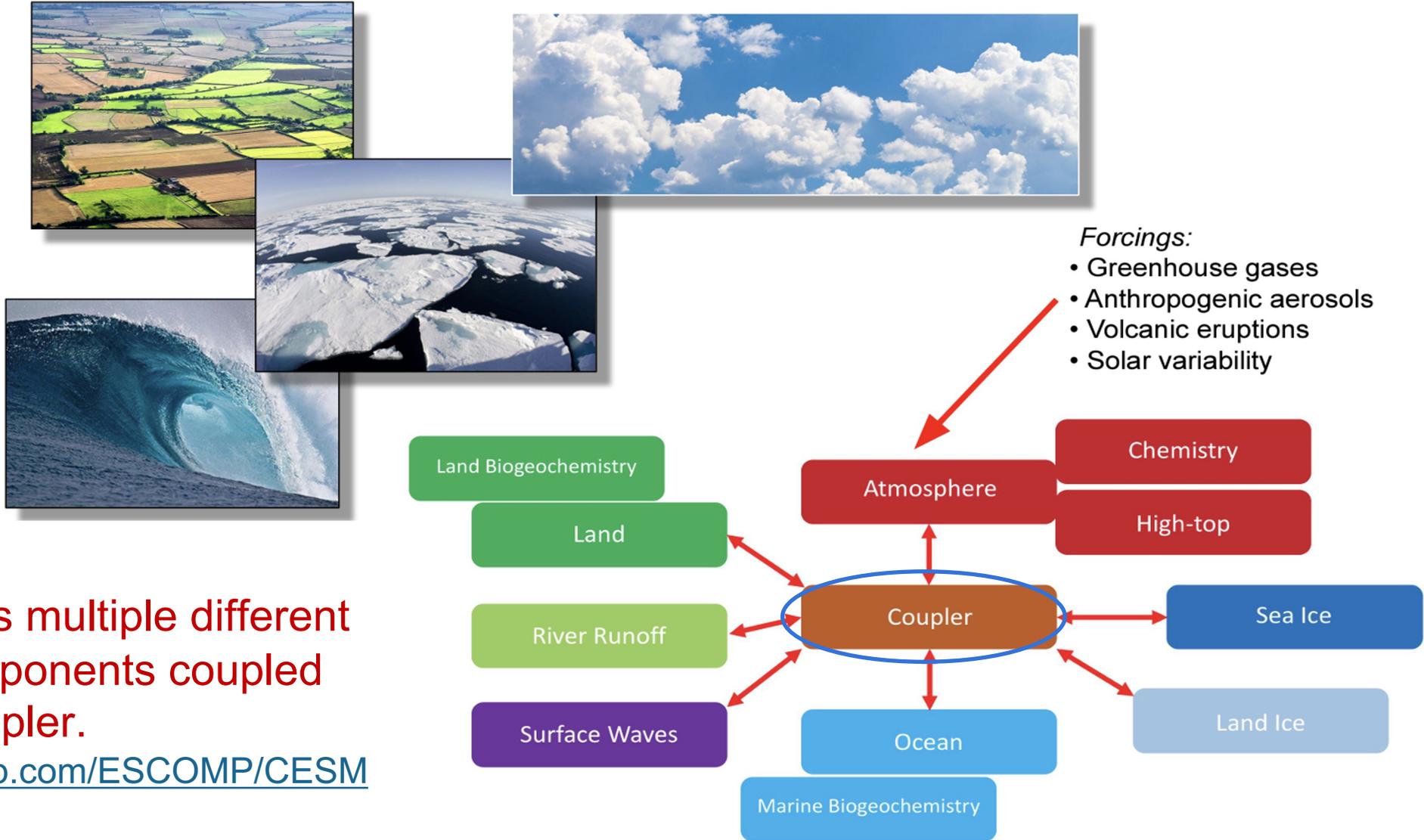


<https://www2.acom.ucar.edu/sections/multi-scale-chemistry-modeling-musica>

MUSICA Vision paper published in BAMS (Pfister et al., 2020: <https://doi.org/10.1175/BAMS-D-19-0331.1>)

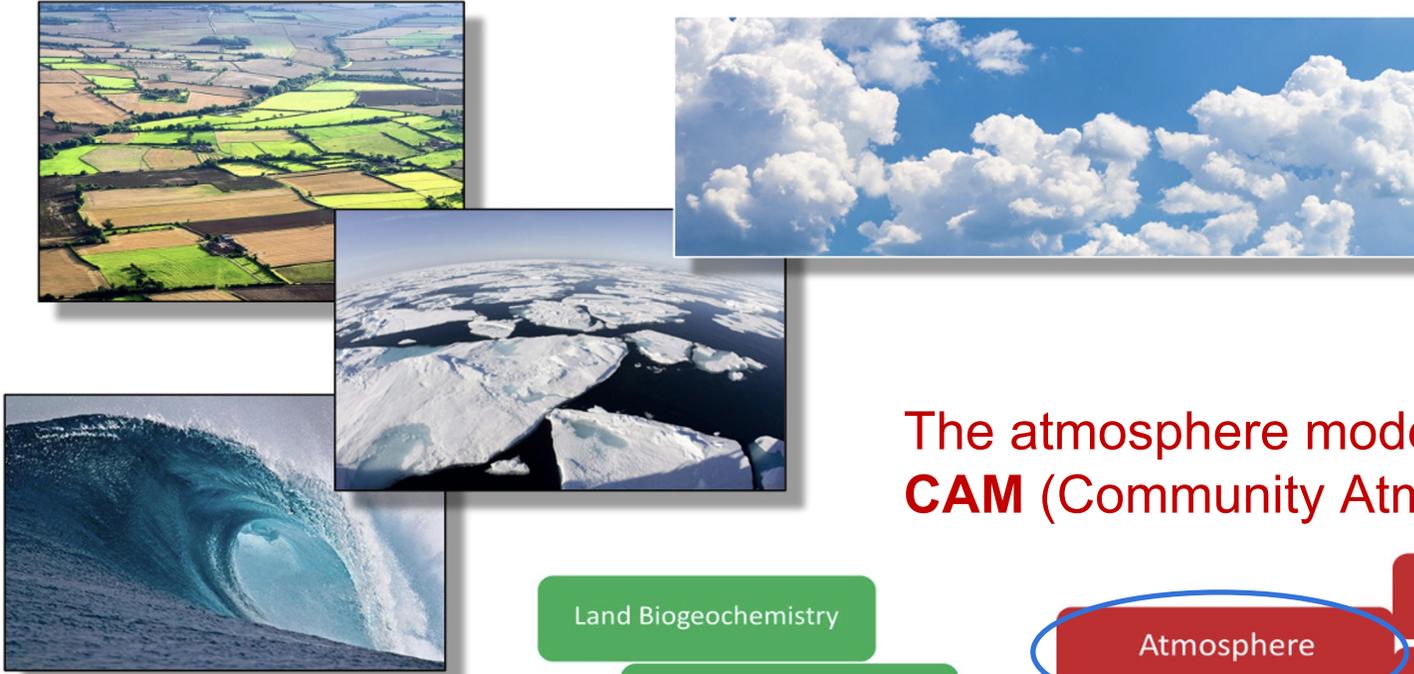
CESM

Community Earth System Model is an open-source community model available via GitHub.

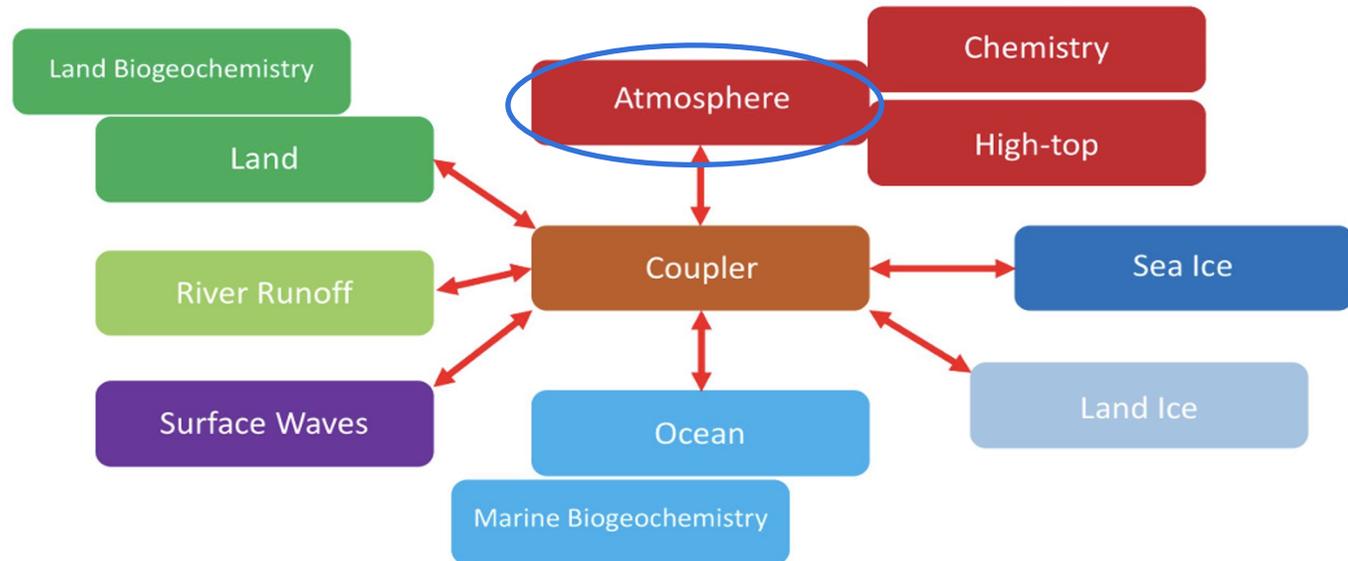


CESM has multiple different earth components coupled with a coupler.

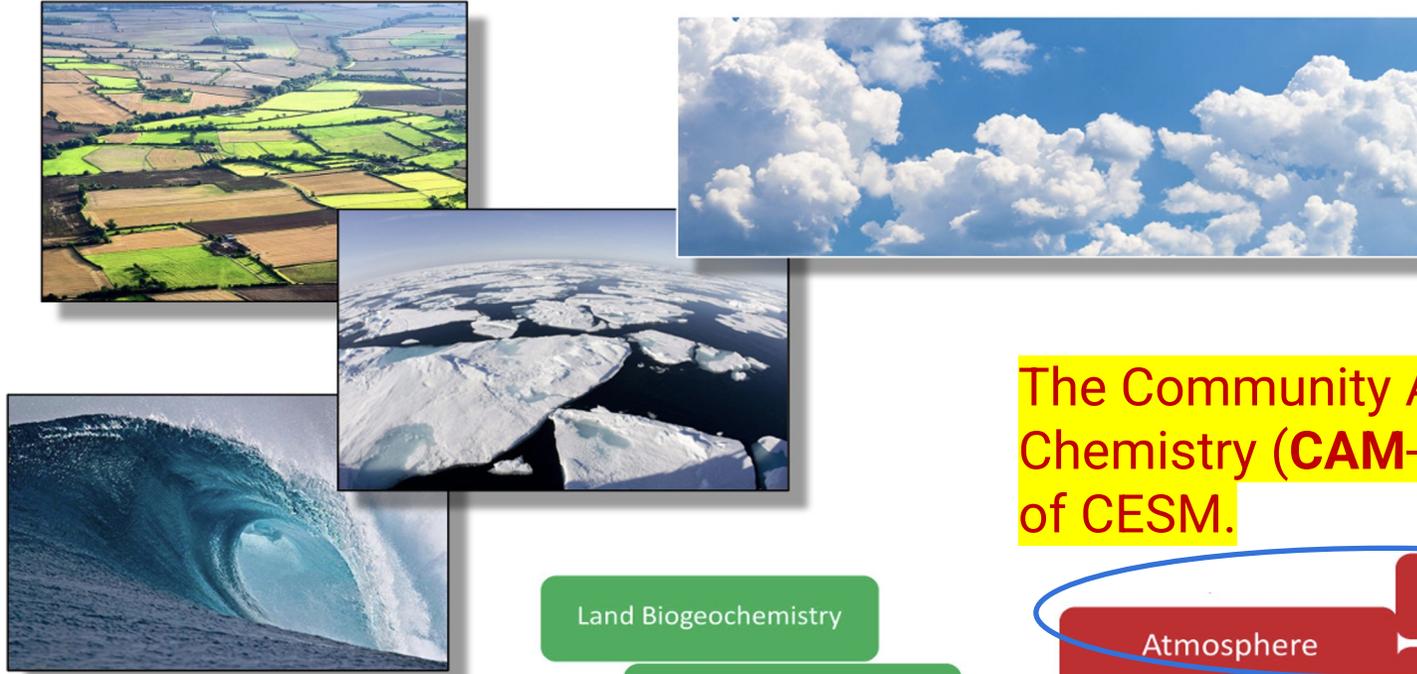
<https://github.com/ESCOMP/CESM>



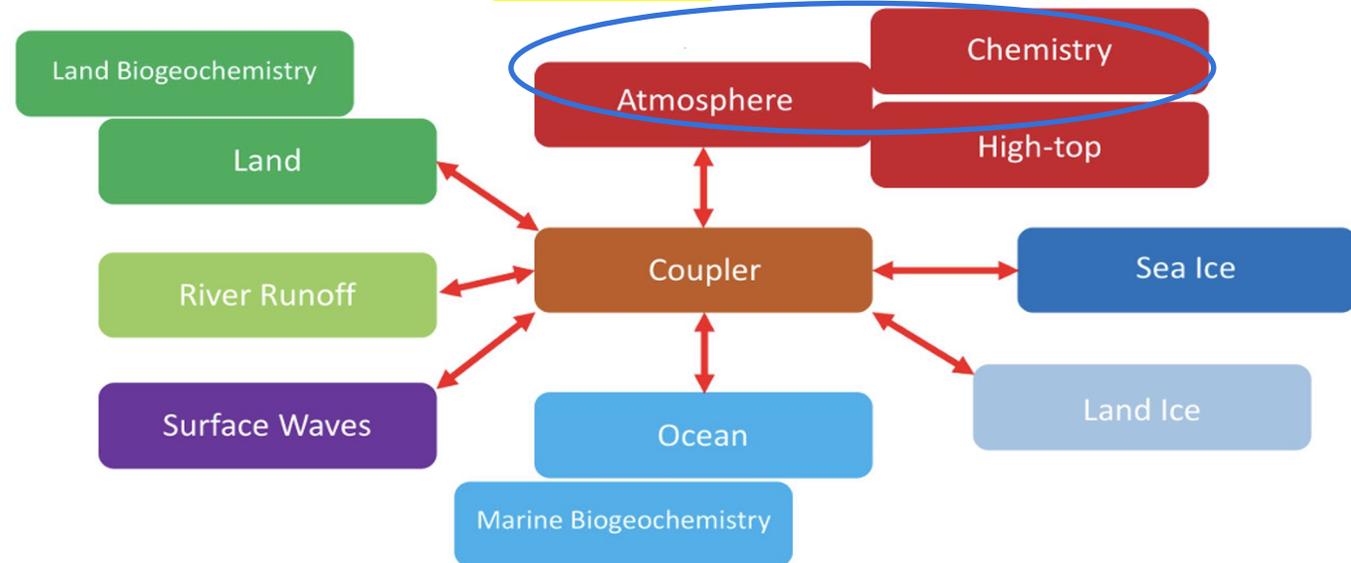
The atmosphere model in CESM is called **CAM** (Community Atmosphere Model)



CAM-chem



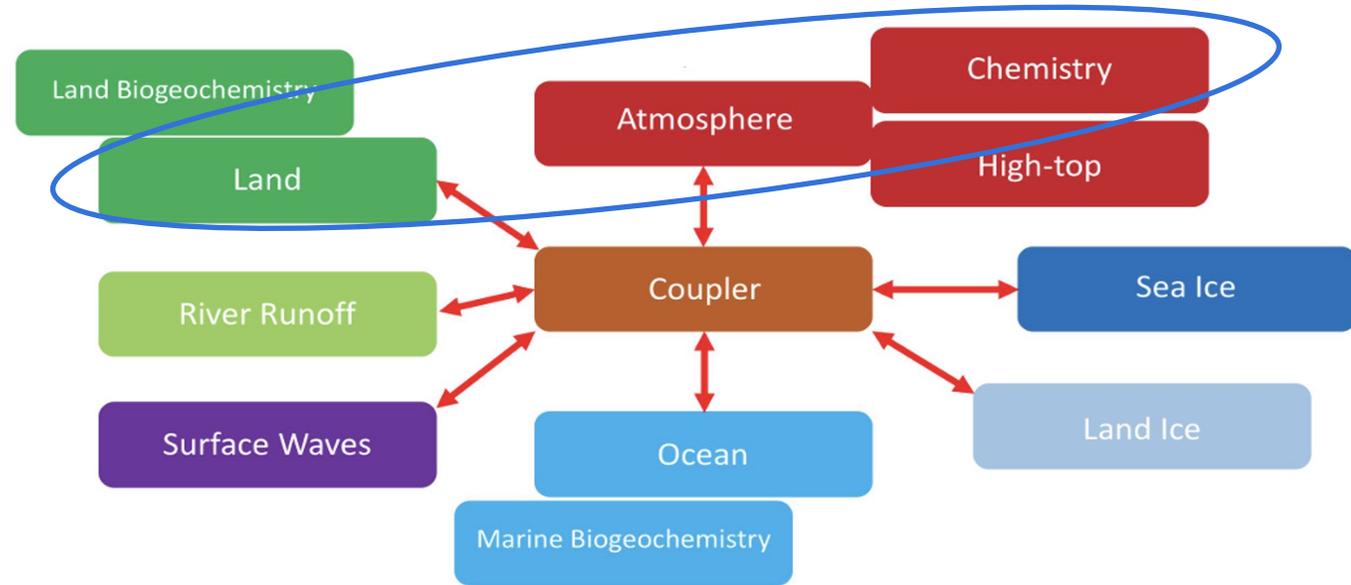
The Community Atmosphere Model with Chemistry (**CAM-chem**) is a component of CESM.



CAM-chem

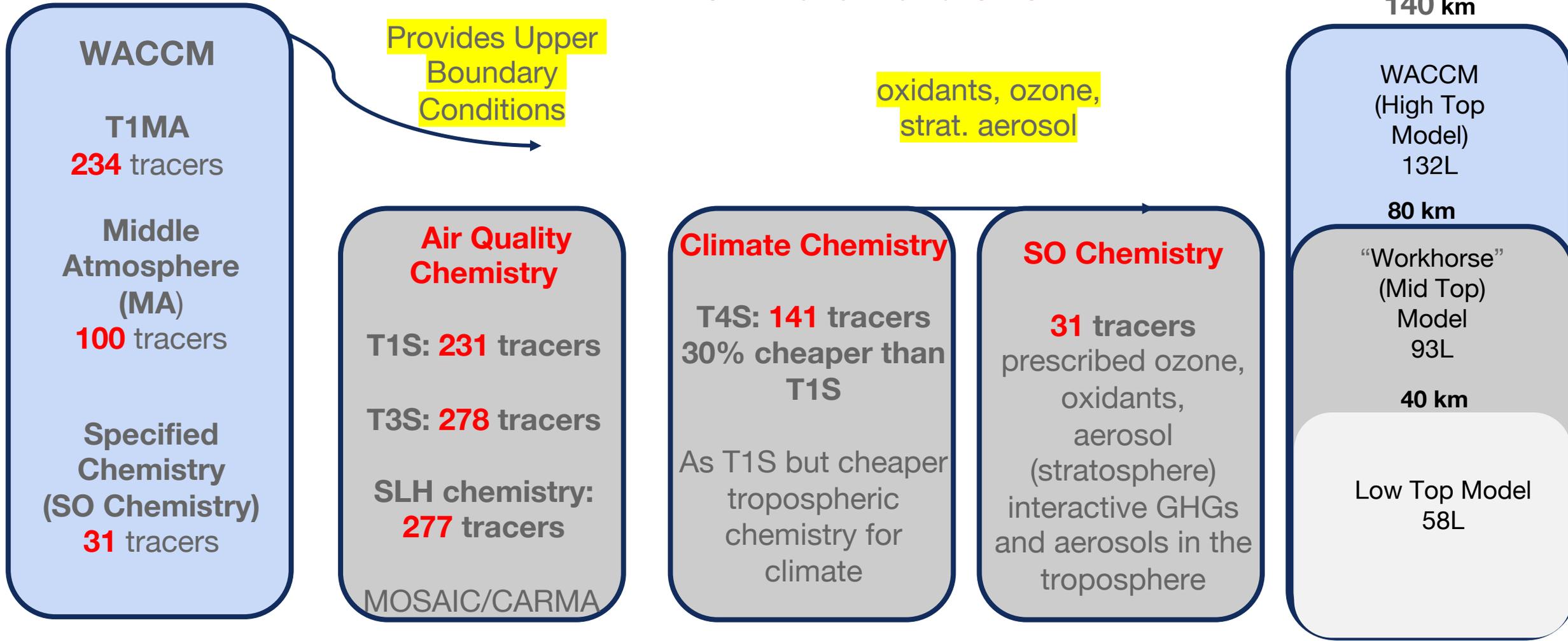


When running CAM-chem, the land component is on by default. The other components can be on or off by different settings.



CESM3 Chemistry Options

There are multiple chemistry options in CAM-chem and CESM.



Emissions in CESM

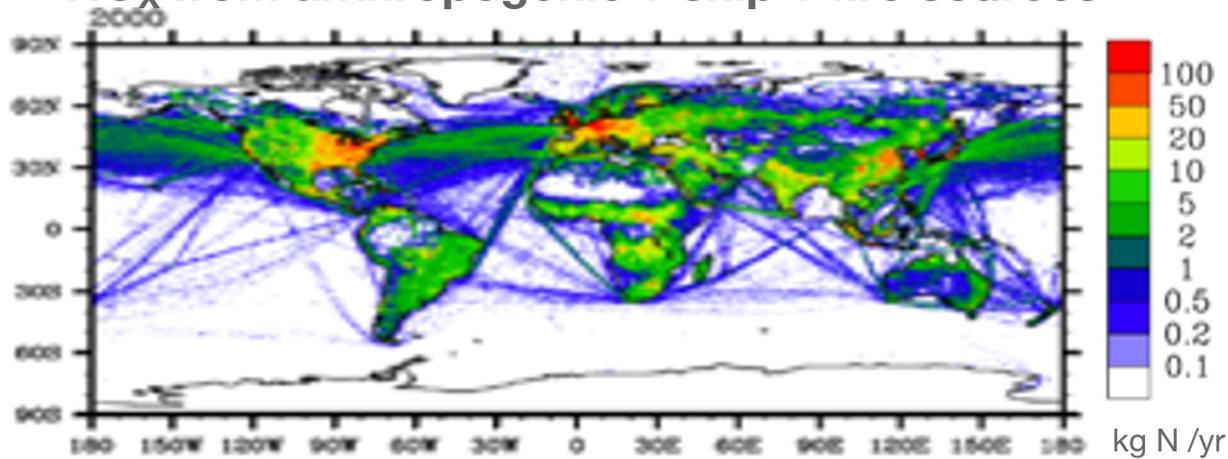
Emissions

- Surface emissions: anthropogenic, biogenic, biomass burning (fire), ocean, soil
- Vertical emissions: (external forcings): aircraft, volcanoes, power plants, (fire optional)
- Interactive: Dust, biogenic, ocean DMS, (fire optional/experimental)

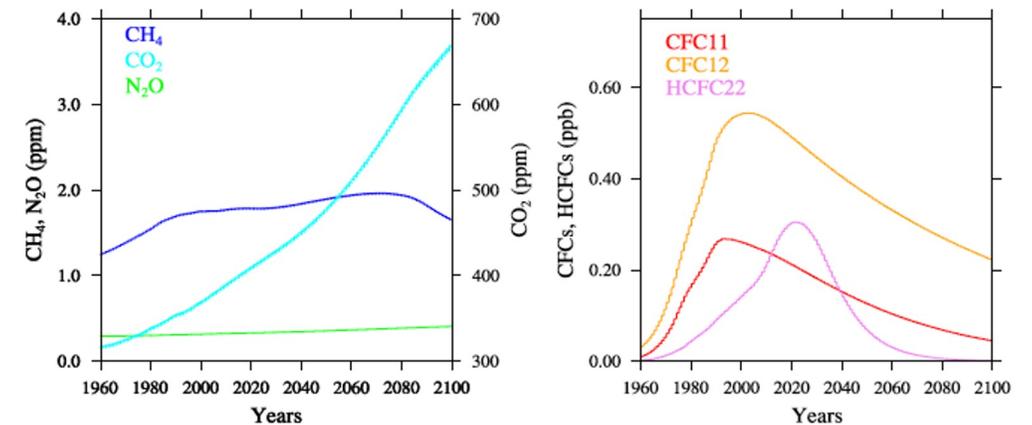
Surface concentrations

- Lower boundary conditions (greenhouse gases CO_2 , CH_4 , N_2O and, long-lived gases CFCs). Can vary latitudinally.

NO_x from anthropogenic + ship + fire sources



Lower Boundary Conditions, RCP6.0



Anthropogenic Emissions

Anthropogenic emissions are specified in offline emissions files

Various inventories are available in CESM format:

- CMIP6 (CEDS)
- CAMS (Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service)

HEMCO (Harmonized Emissions Component) is available in CESM3(beta), allowing for:

- easy combination of regional inventories (NEI, etc.) with global inventories
- application of diurnal variation
- application of vertical distribution (power plant heights)

Biomass Burning Emissions

Biomass burning emissions are generally specified with offline emissions files.

Available in CESM:

- CMIP6 (1750-2015)
- GFED
- QFED (near-real-time and historical)
- FINNv2.5 (2002-2023, and near-real-time)
- GFAS (in progress)

CLM contains an online fire model which can provide emissions to the atmosphere, but they are not realistic for present-day.

“Other” offline emissions

Climatological inventories are used for soil and ocean emissions:

- Ocean CO and hydrocarbons
- Soil NO
- Soil NH₃

Interactive emissions: Dust

$$F_{dustemis} = F_{dustemis}(u_*, w)$$

(CESM default)

horizontal
wind/friction

becomes

soil
moisture

$$F_{dustemis} = F_{dustemis}(u_*, w, z_{0,rock}, LAI, \sigma_{\tilde{u}})$$

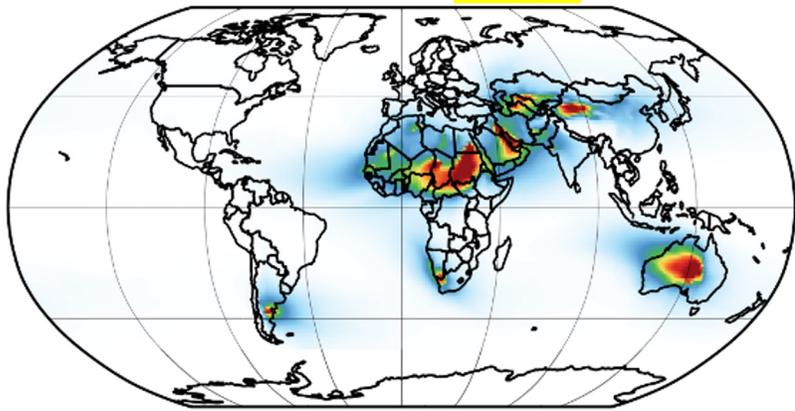
(Leung 2023)

Drag partition
due to surface
roughness

Subtimestep wind
following the
similarity theory

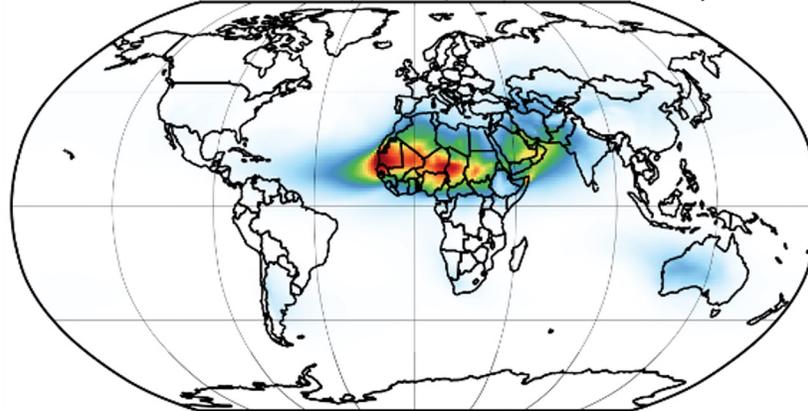
Charlie Zender et al. (2003; DEAD)

CESM2/CAM6 **default**



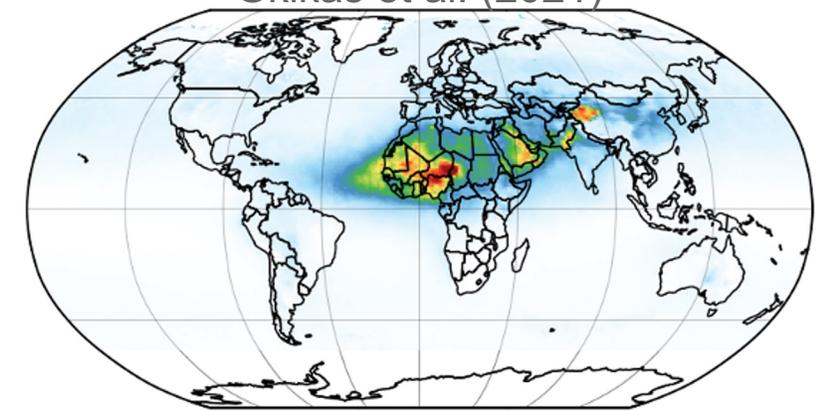
Danny Leung et al. (2023; L23)

CESM3/CAM7 (future default)

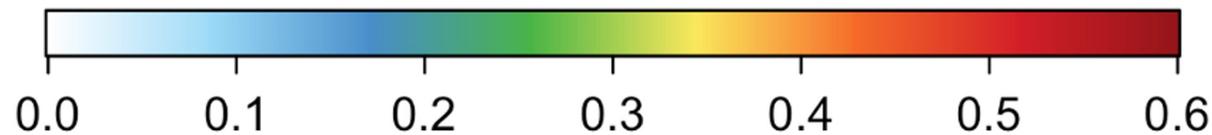


MIDAS (MODIS/Aqua) dust

Gkikas et al. (2021)



AOD from dust



Slide: Danny Leung

Interactive emissions: Biogenic

MEGAN: Model of Emissions of Gases and Aerosols from Nature

MEGAN is a modeling system for estimating the emission of gases and aerosols from terrestrial ecosystems into the atmosphere (Guenther et al., GMD, 2012; <https://gmd.copernicus.org/articles/5/1471/2012/>)

The MEGANv2.1 algorithm is included in CESM within the Community Land Model (CLM) to use the model vegetation and meteorology. Emissions are calculated by the equation:

$$F_i = \gamma_i \sum \varepsilon_{i,j} \chi_j$$

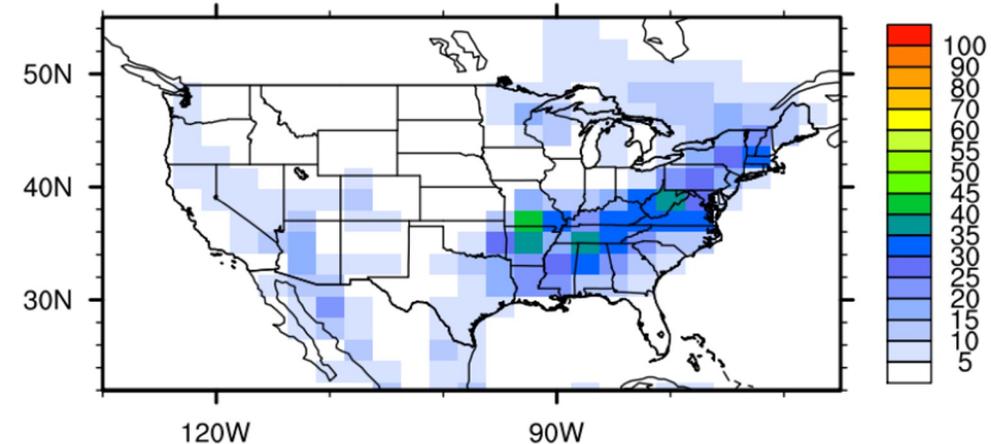
where

γ_i : emission activity factor, depends on **leaf area index (LAI)**, **meteorology** (T, solar radiation), **leaf age**, with separate light-dependent and light-independent factors

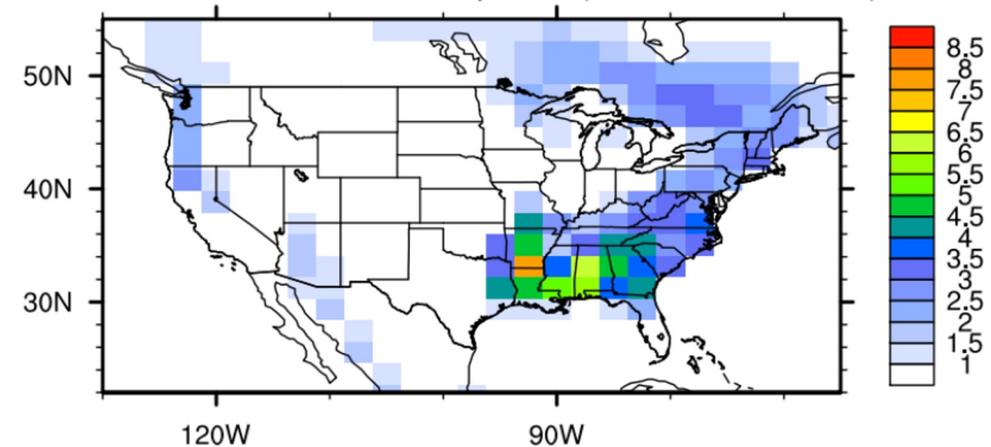
$\varepsilon_{i,j}$: emission factor at standard conditions for vegetation type (PFT) j

χ_j : fractional area of **PFT** j

CLM-MEGANv2.1: Isoprene (micro-moles/m2/hr)



CLM-MEGANv2.1: Monoterpenes (micro-moles/m2/hr)



Interactive emissions: Ocean DMS

DMS emissions from ocean are calculated online based on the Online Air-Sea Interface for Soluble Species (OASISS) module:

<https://wiki.ucar.edu/pages/viewpage.action?pagelId=358319521>

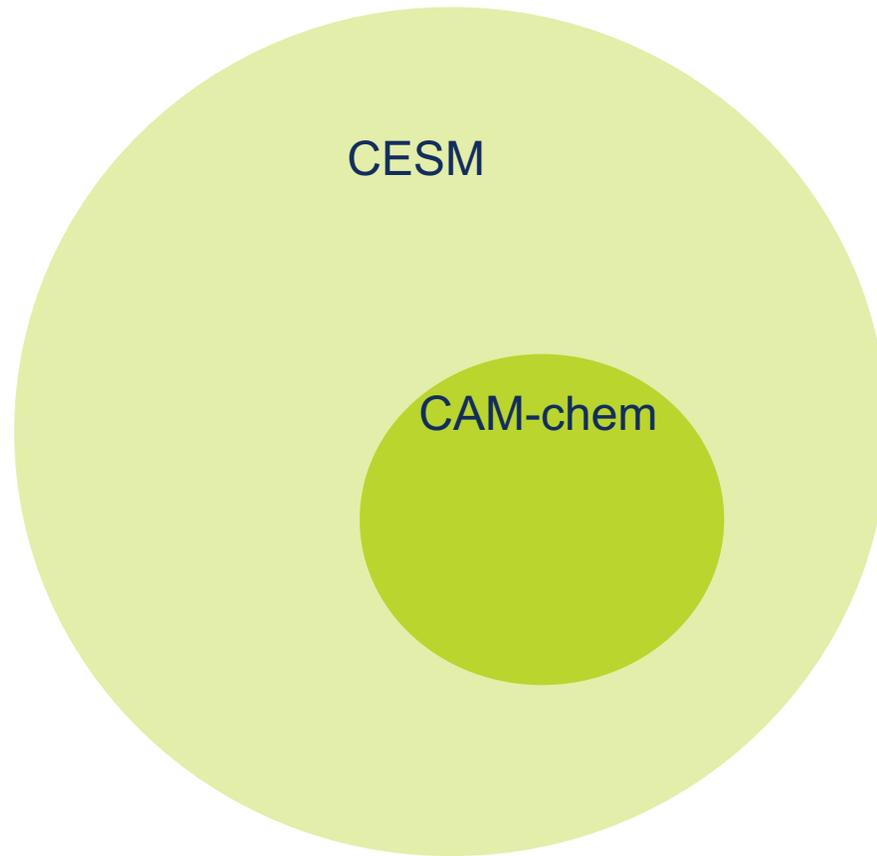
Seawater concentrations are specified and the emissions flux is calculated each timestep based on the model winds, etc.

Wang, S., Apel, E. C., Schwantes, R. H., Bates, K. H., Jacob, D. J., Fischer, E. V., et al. (2020). Global Atmospheric Budget of Acetone: Air-Sea Exchange and the Contribution to Hydroxyl Radicals. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*, 125, e2020JD032553.

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Summary

CAM-chem is a component of CESM.

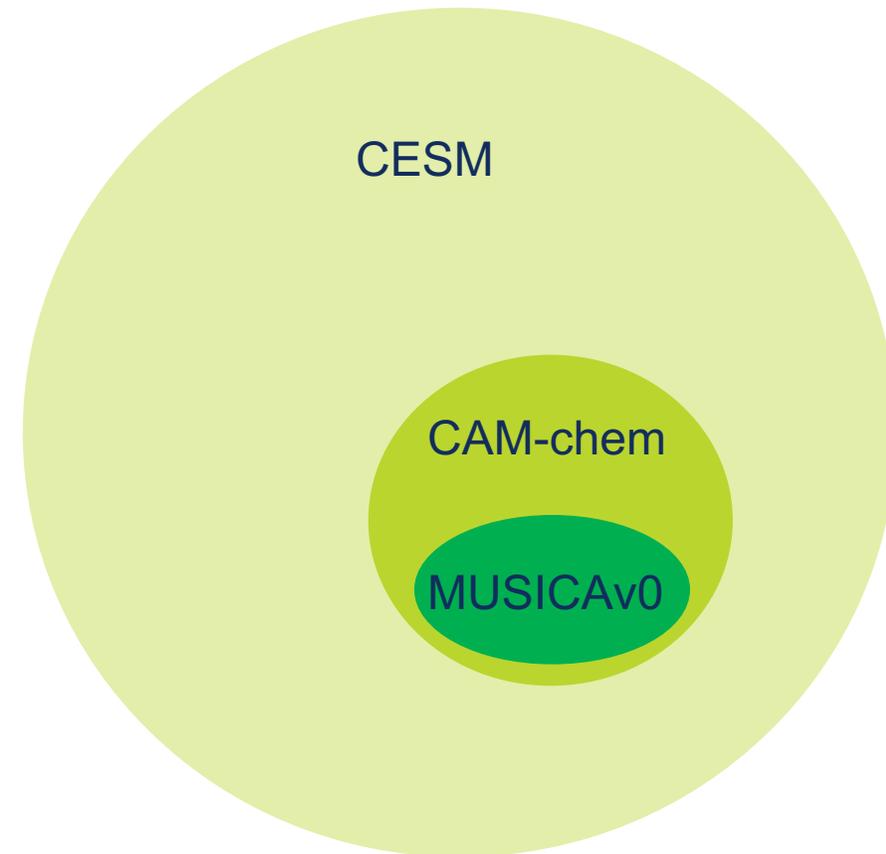


MUSICAv0 = CAM-chem-SE-RR

MUSICAv0 is **CAM-chem**

With Spectral Element (**SE**) dynamical core and
Regional Refinement (**RR**)

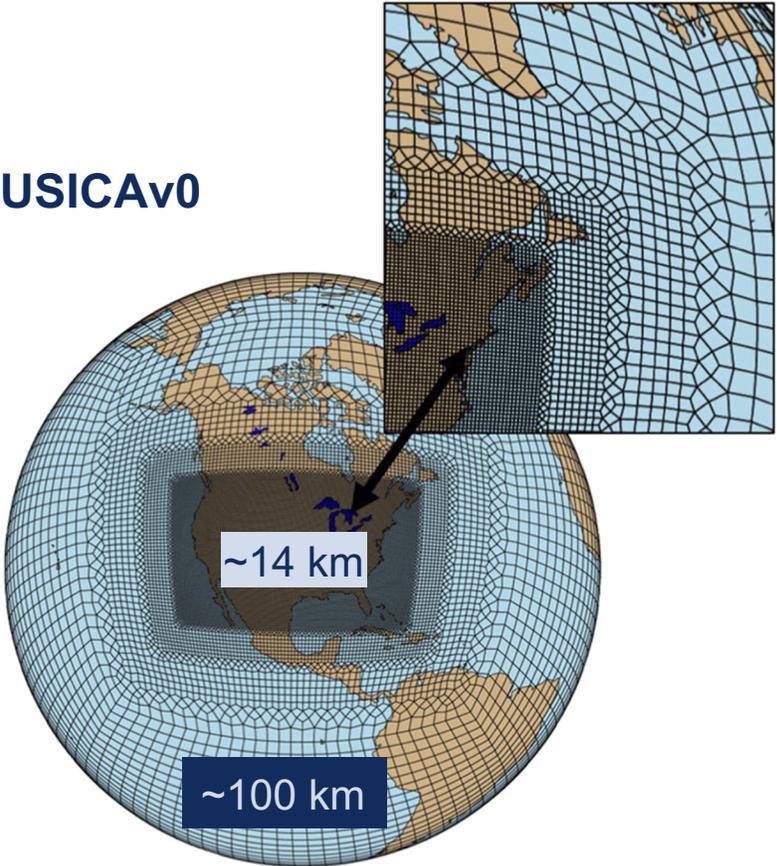
→ **CAM-chem-SE-RR**



Choices for variable resolution atmosphere models

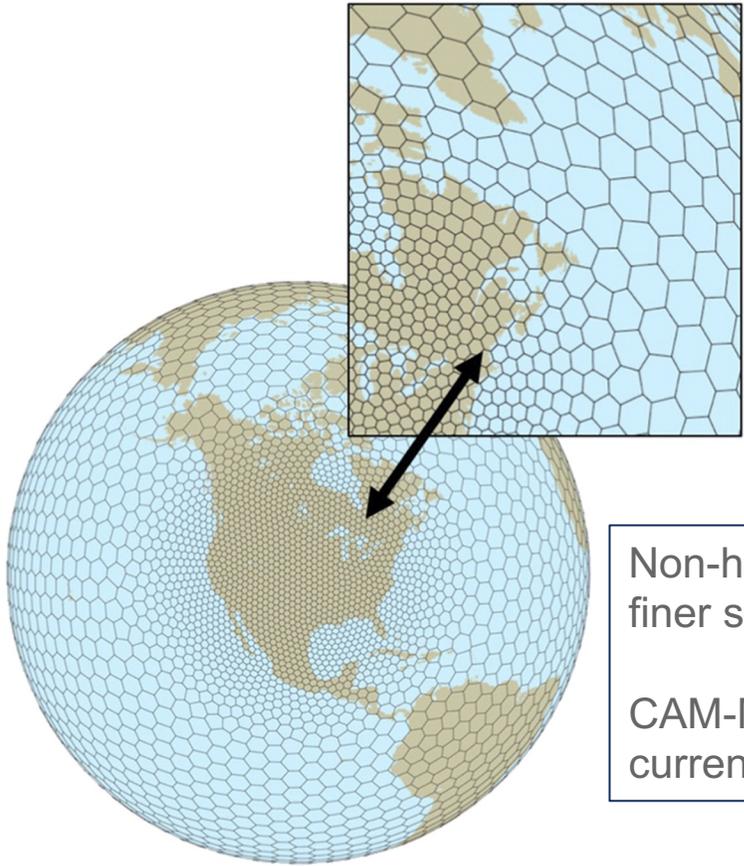
Spectral Element
(SE - cubed sphere)

MUSICAv0



Model for Prediction Across Scales
(MPAS - hexagonal mesh)

**MUSICAv1
(in development)**

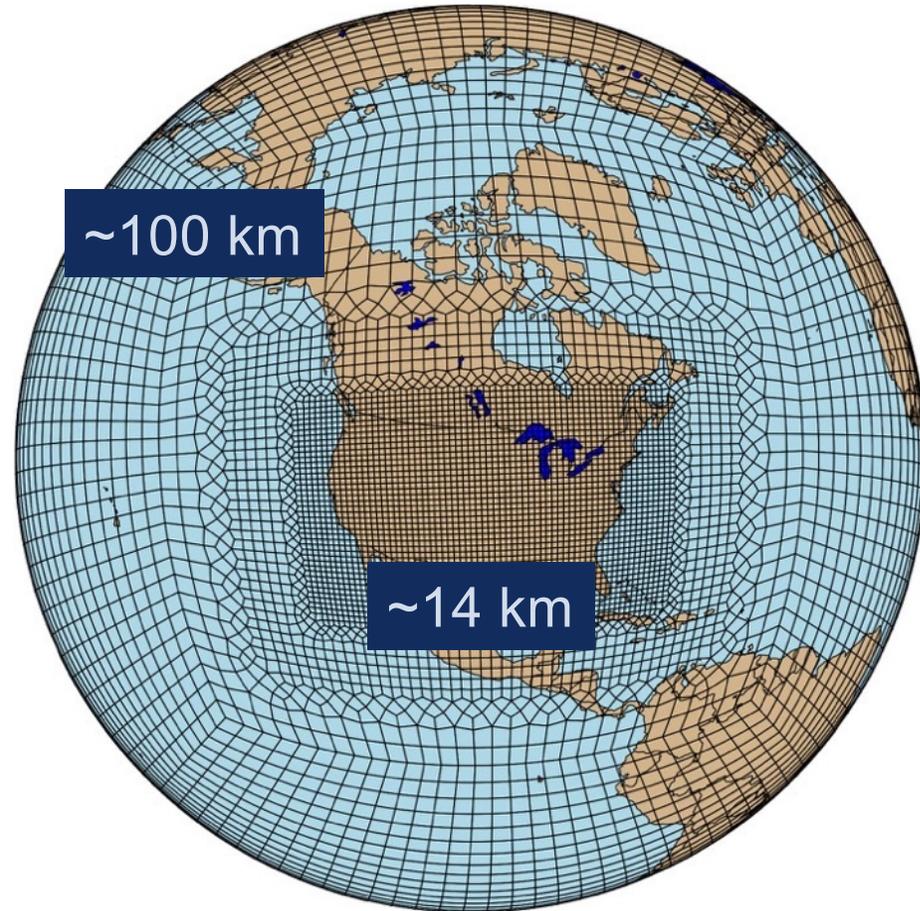


Non-hydrostatic allowing for finer scales (< 1km)

CAM-MPAS, CAM-MPAS-chem currently being tested

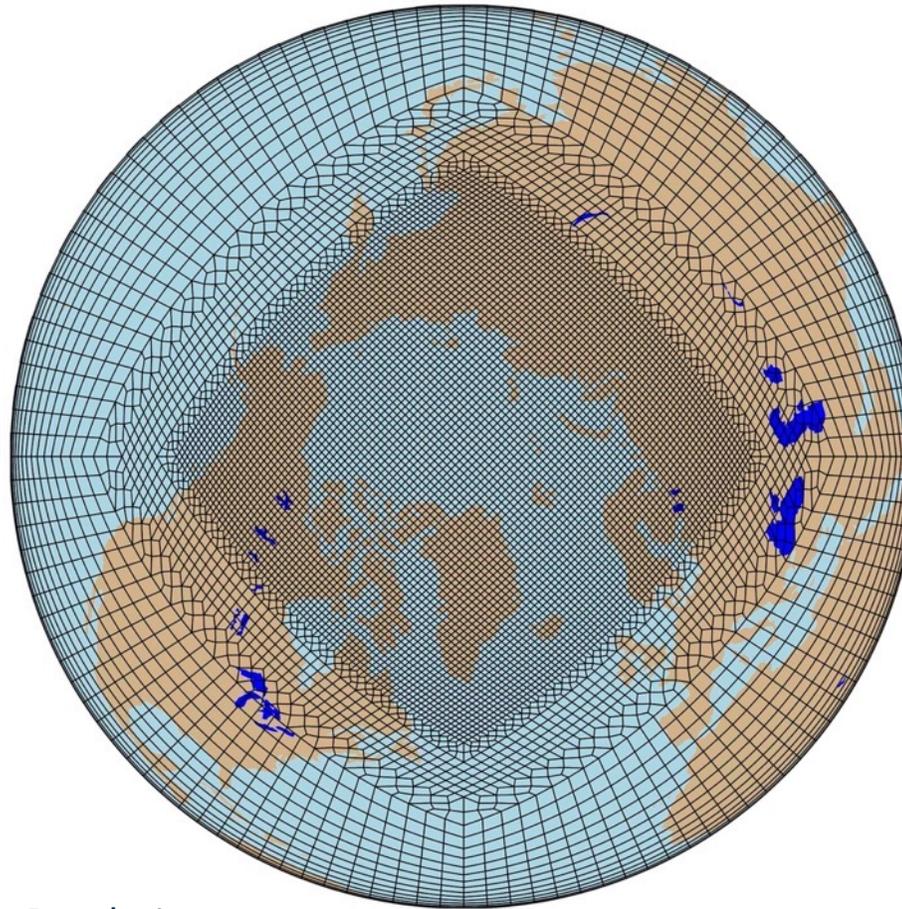
Grids Available in CESM (v2.2 and later)

CONUS



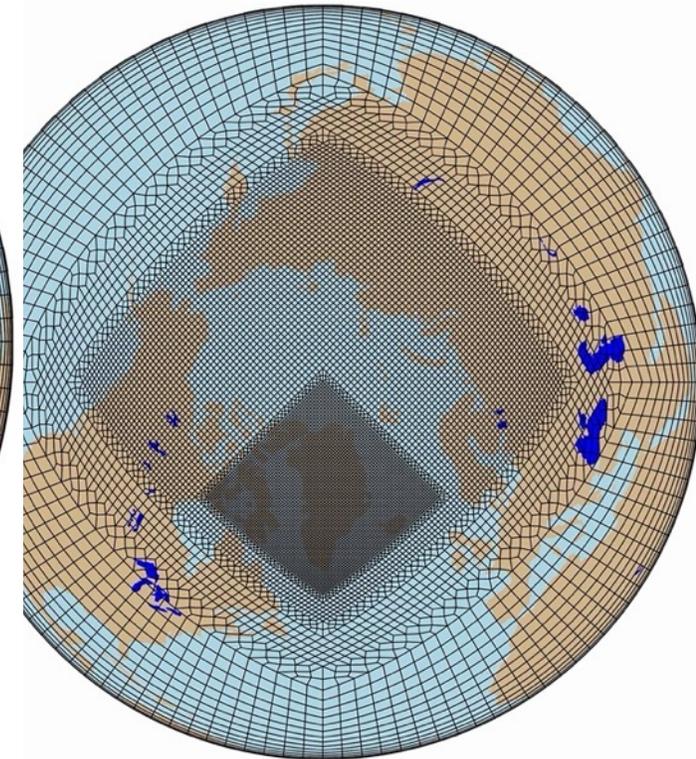
Resolution:
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ARCTIC



Resolution:
ne0ARCTICne30x4_ne0ARCTICne30x4_mt12

ARCTICGRIS
(Greenland Ice Sheet)



Resolution:
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Refined Grids Available for Many Regions

<https://wiki.ucar.edu/display/MUSICA/Available+Grids>

Pages / MUSICA Home

Available Grids

Created by Louisa Emmons, last modified on Nov 16, 2023

A number of grids have been created by various users for use in MUSICA_{v0} which we list here to demonstrate the diverse capability of MUSICA_{v0}. The CONUS ne30x8 and ARCTIC grids are available resolutions in CESM2.2, but the other grids have been developed for various science applications which have not yet been published. In the future we plan to have a public repository of grids, or may provide some grids in future model results.

Protocol: Please contact the developer of the grid if you are interested it in using it and include them as co-author of any work using that grid.

Emissions may be available for sharing for these grids - contact the grid developers. We will develop a public repository for those as well.

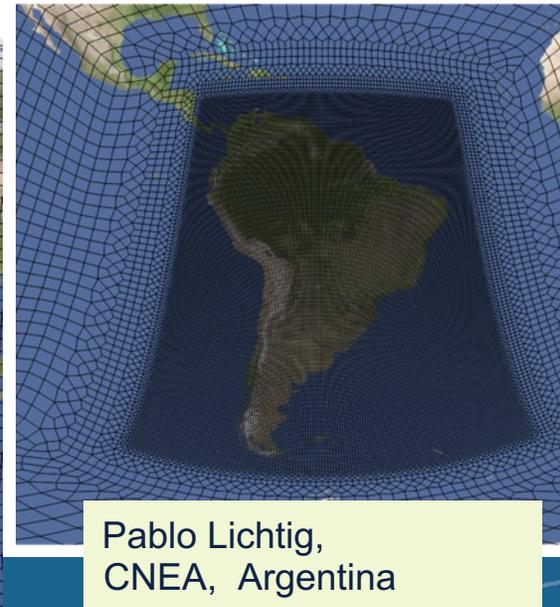
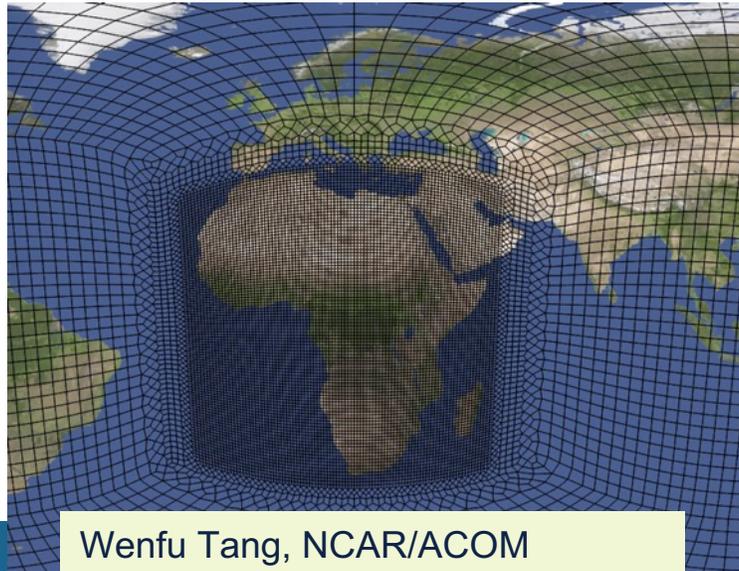
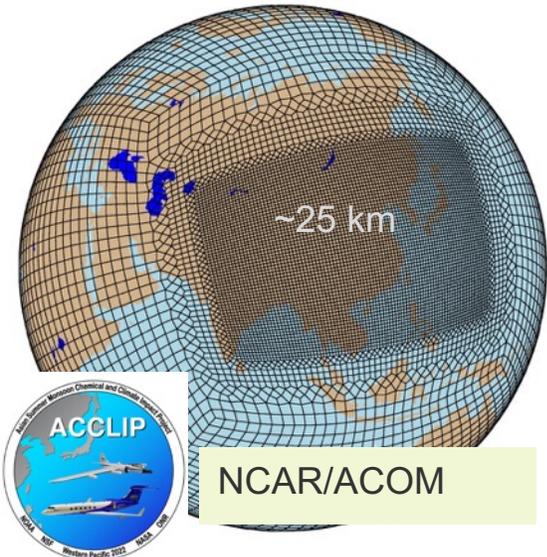
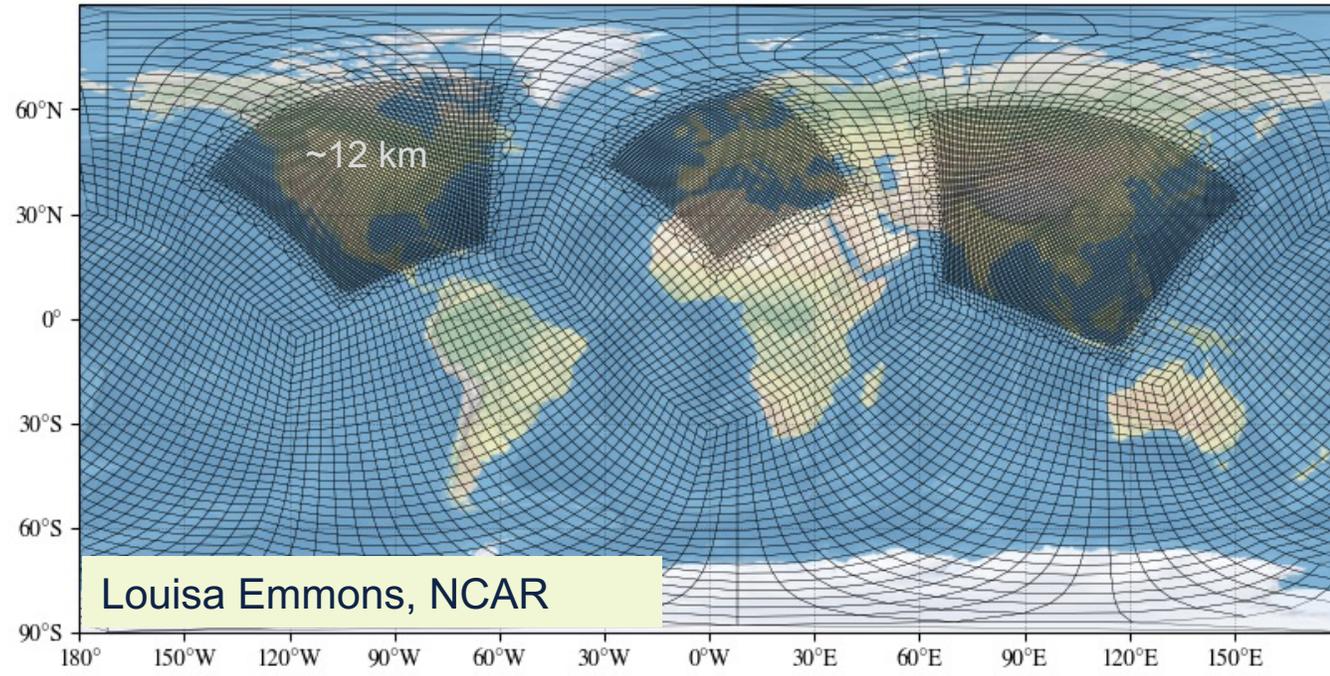
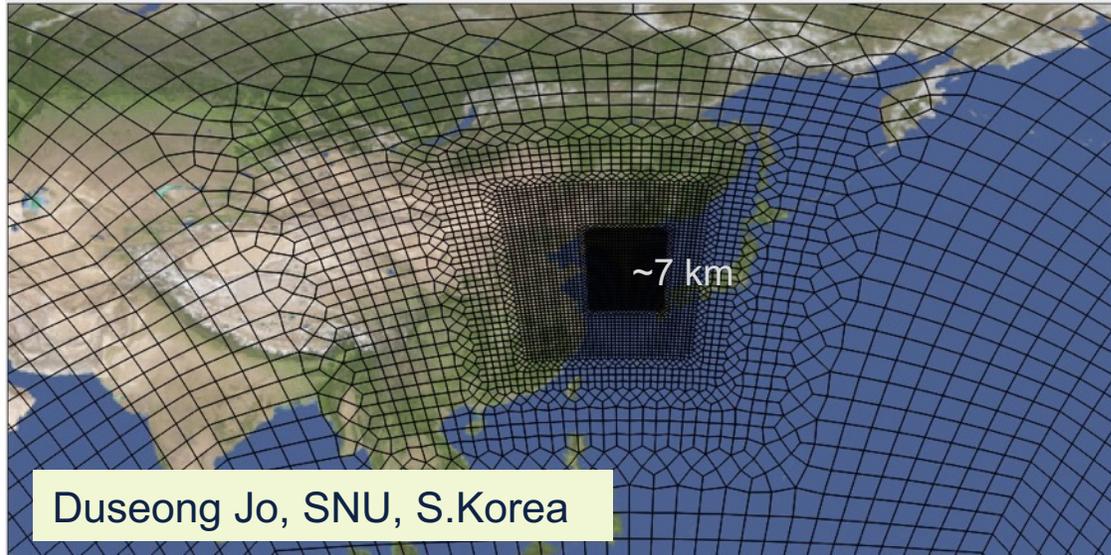
The grid resolutions (e.g., ne30x{N}) are defined at the bottom of this page.

| Refined region | Resolution, Repository, Contact | Image (click for full size) |
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| CONUS 1/8 degree (14 km) | Resolution: ne0CONUSne30x8_ne0CONUSne30x8_mt12 Repository: part of CESM2.2 (CAM User's Guide) Output from community simulation - DOI: https://doi.org/10.5065/tgbj-yv18 Publications: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Schwantes, R. et al., JAMES, in press.Tang, Wenfu, et al., JGR-Atmospheres, in review. | |
| CONUS 1/4 degree (28 km) | Resolution: ne0np4.CONUS.ne30x4_mt12 Repository: /glade/campaign/acom/acom-weather/MUSICA/musica_repo/ne0np4.CONUS.ne30x4 Contact: Louisa Emmons, NCAR/ACOM | |

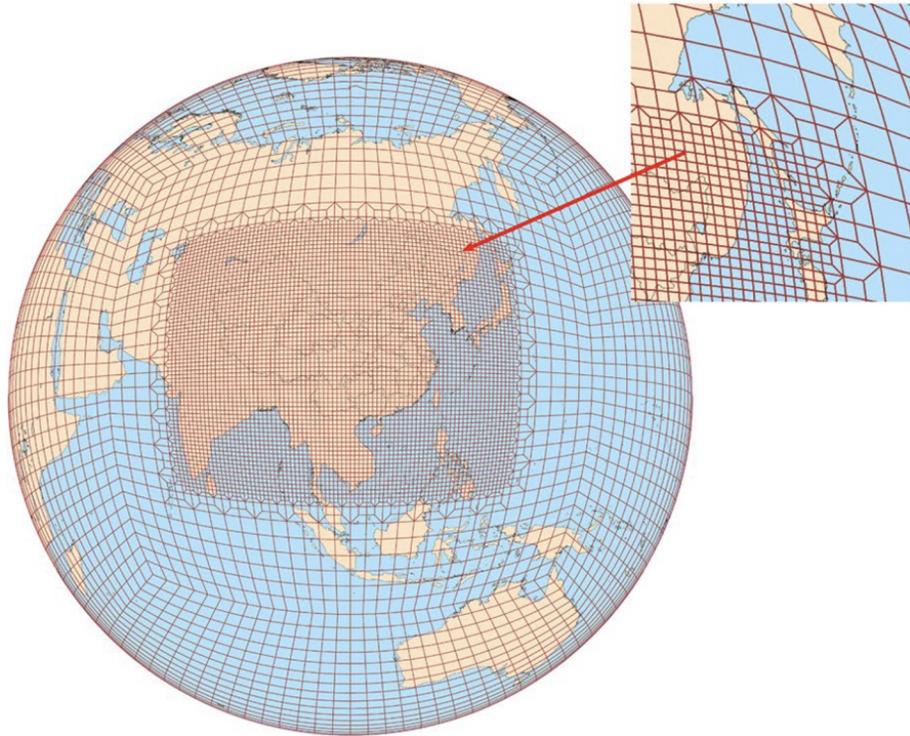
Screenshot

Custom Grids

ne30x4



Example of MUSICA_{v0} application



JGR Atmospheres

RESEARCH ARTICLE

10.1029/2023JD039130

Key Points:

- The MUSICA_{v0} model with regional refinement over East Asia improves haze event simulations, especially in complex terrain areas
- Finer grids can resolve a greater range of NO_x and volatile organic compounds (VOC) chemical regimes, significantly reducing the ozone overestimation in coarser grids

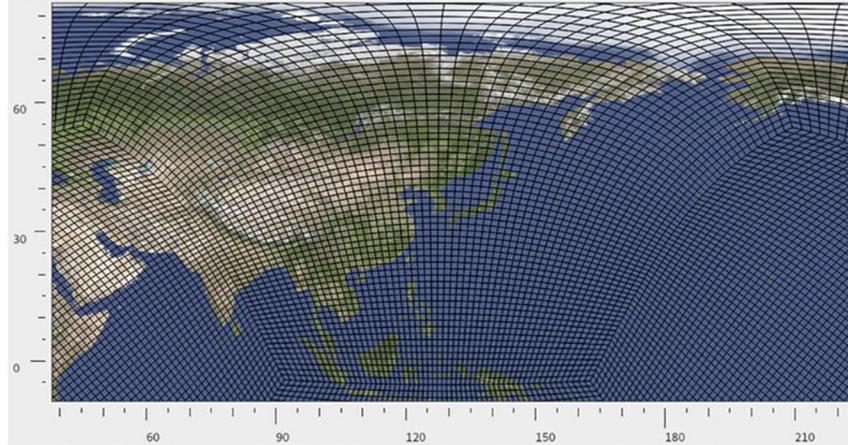
Modeling the Air Pollution and Aerosol-PBL Interactions Over China Using a Variable-Resolution Global Model

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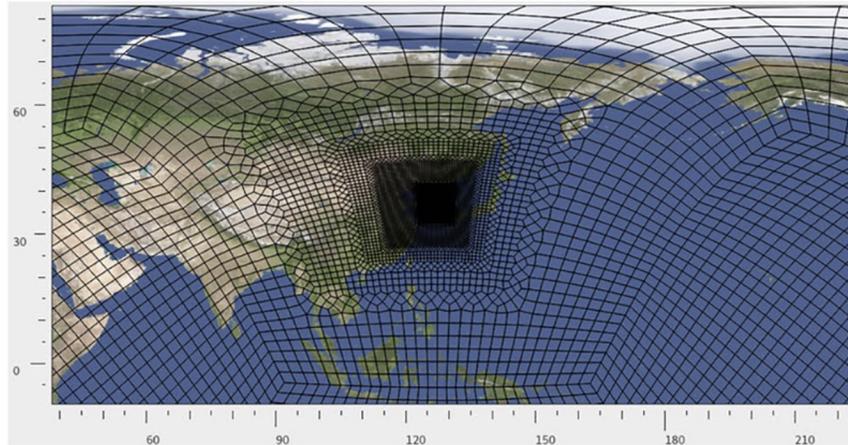
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Example of MUSICA v0 application

(b) No refinement (ne60)



(d) Level 4 (ne30x16)



Key Points:

- The dependence of simulated chemical species on model resolution is quantified in a single modeling framework
- Model evaluations can be substantially affected by grid resolution, especially for urban surface and aircraft measurements at low altitudes
- Grid resolution strongly impacts the oxidation of volatile organic compounds through differences in diurnal variation of oxidants

Supporting Information:

Supporting Information may be found in the online version of this article.

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Comparison of Urban Air Quality Simulations During the KORUS-AQ Campaign With Regionally Refined Versus Global Uniform Grids in the Multi-Scale Infrastructure for Chemistry and Aerosols (MUSICA) Version 0

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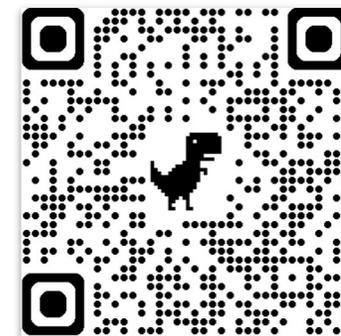
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MusicBox: <https://musicbox.acom.ucar.edu/>



musicbox.acom.ucar.edu/getting_started

MusicBox 2.5.1

SETUP <<

- Start Here
- Mechanism
- Conditions

RUN

Run Model

ANALYSIS

- Plot Results
- Flow Diagram
- Download

Getting Started

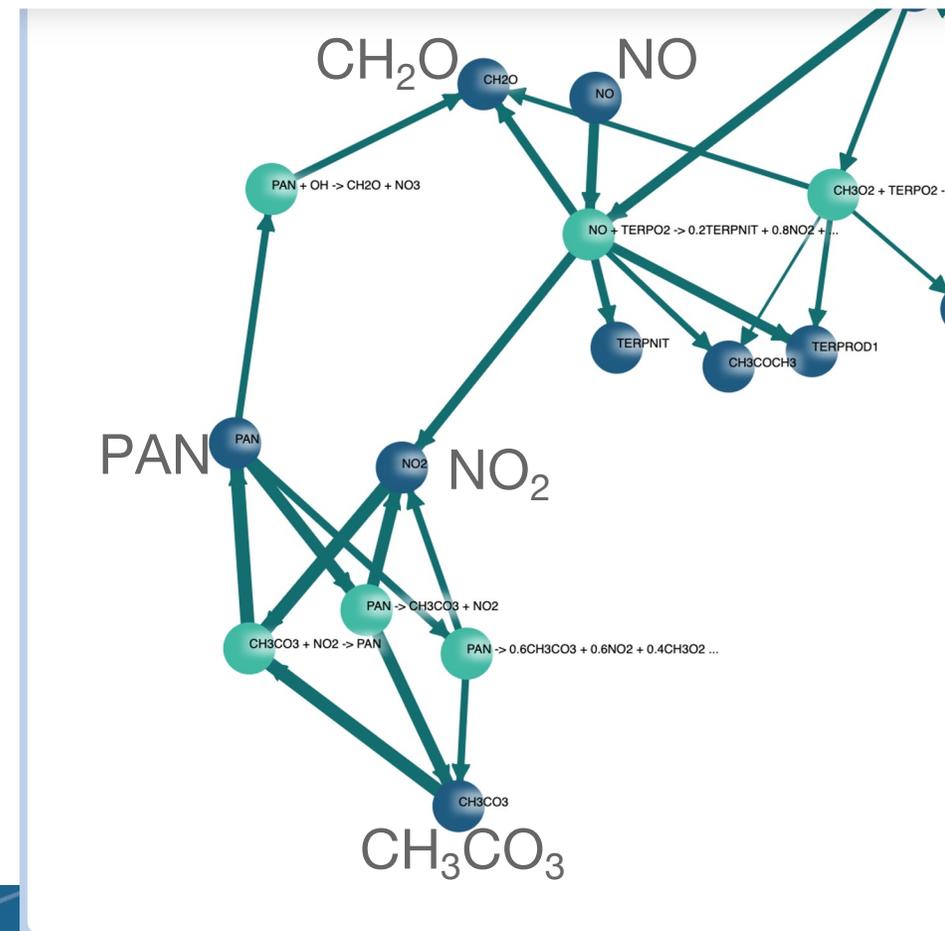
To get started with MusicBox, you can try out one of our example configurations, start a new mechanism from scratch, or load a configuration file you saved from a previous run. For a collection of pre-made stratospheric and tropospheric configurations, visit [this repository](#).

Select example Start from scratch Upload configuration file

How to use MusicBox

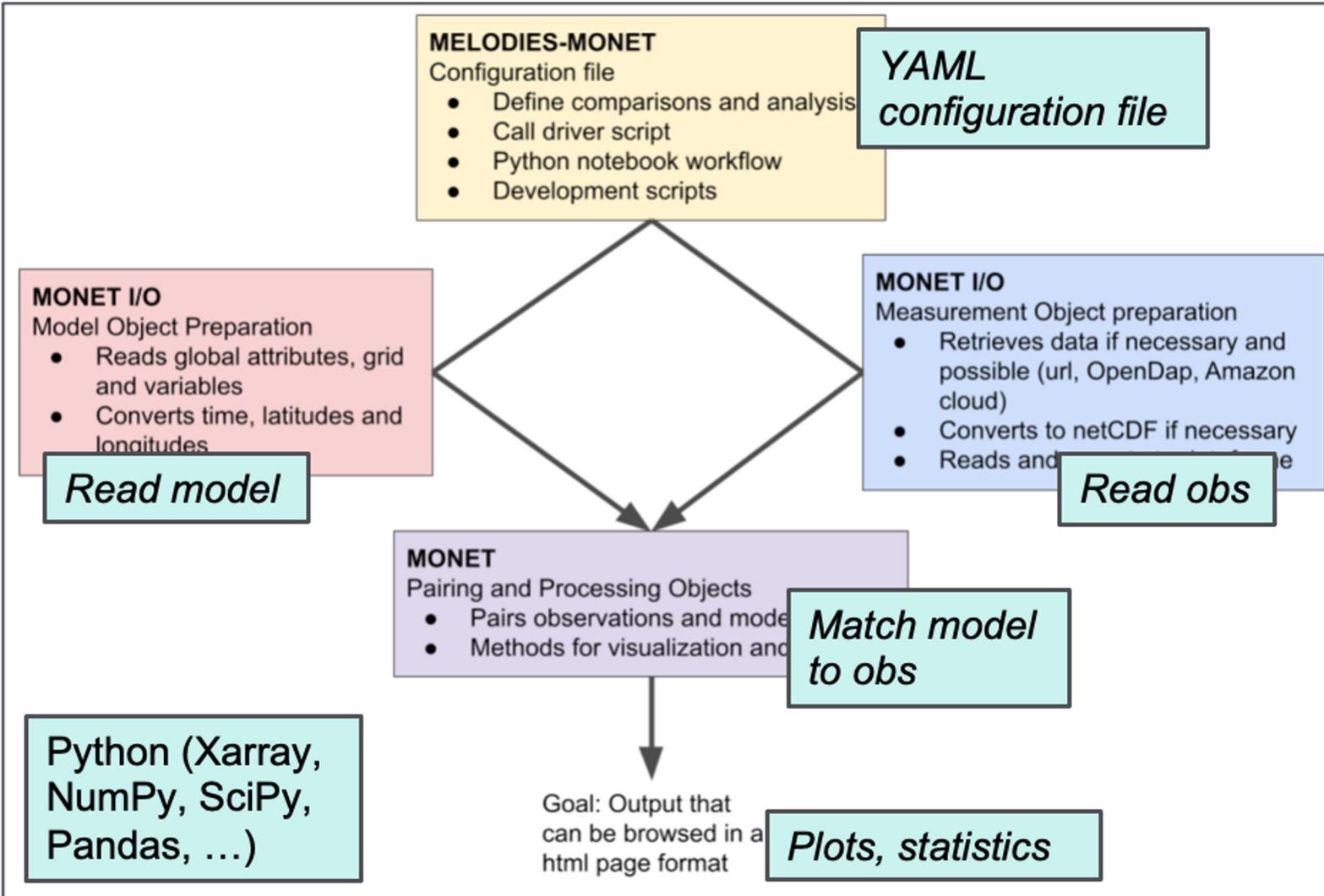
Step 1. To start using MusicBox, select one of the starting options above. Each of these starting options is described in more detail below.

| Start from scratch | Select example | Load configuration |
|---|--|---|
| This option allows you to build a simulation from the | Examples are fully functional MusicBox | If you have previously saved a MusicBox configuration |



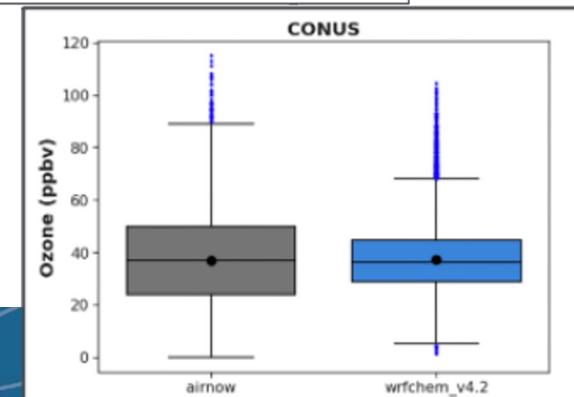
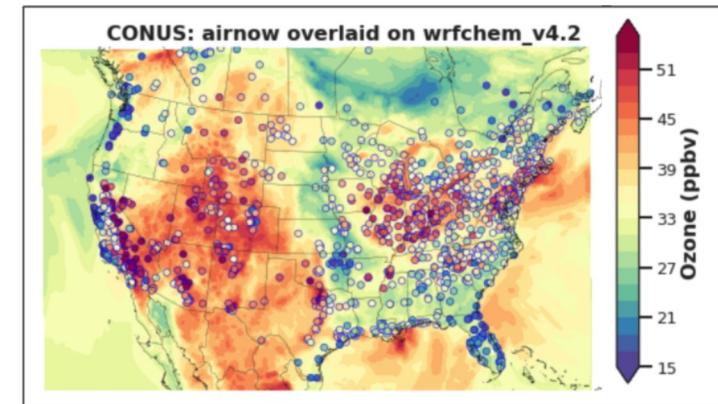
MELODIES MONET: <https://melodies-monet.readthedocs.io/>

A python model evaluation framework for comparing observations & model results



Obs:
surface, aircraft, satellite, ...

Models:
MUSICAv0, WRF-Chem, CMAQ,
...



Tutorial Schedule

Friday afternoon:

- Lecture: How to run CESM & MUSICA v0
- Hands-on: Running CESM
- Hands-on: Plotting CESM output (unstructured grids)

Saturday morning:

- Lecture: How to create your own grid
- Hands-on: Creating a grid

Saturday afternoon:

- Creating input files for new grid
- Continue creating a grid and plotting output