

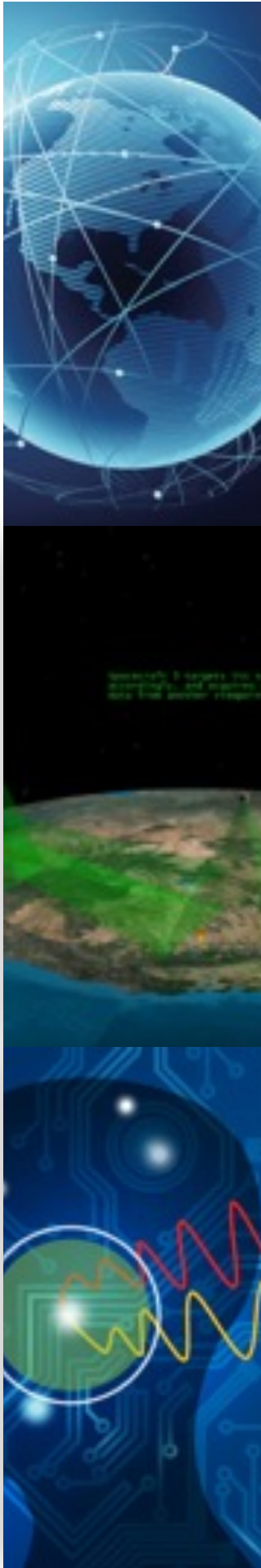


# **Advanced Information Systems Technology (AIST)**

## **2023 Annual Reviews**

### ***Earth System Digital Twins (ESDT)***

***June 23, 2023***



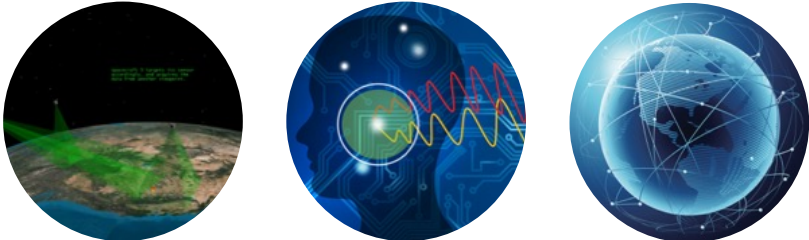


**AIST Grouped Annual Reviews**  
**ESDT Focus Area**  
**Friday June 23, 2023**

The Beckman Institute, Room 115  
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Pasadena, California 91125

Time	End	Duration	Project #	PI (presenting)	Short Title
8:00 AM	8:20 AM	0:20	<b>Intro/Welcome</b>		
8:20 AM	8:45 AM	0:25	AIST-21-0003	Pelissier	TerraHydro
8:45 AM	9:10 AM	0:25	AIST-21-0031	Allen	Pixels for public health
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10:20 AM	10:45 AM	0:25	AIST-21-0024	Keller	Ensemble prediction for atmospheric composition
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1:00 PM	1:25 PM	0:25	AIST-21-0095	Malik	Reproducible containers for collaborative analytics
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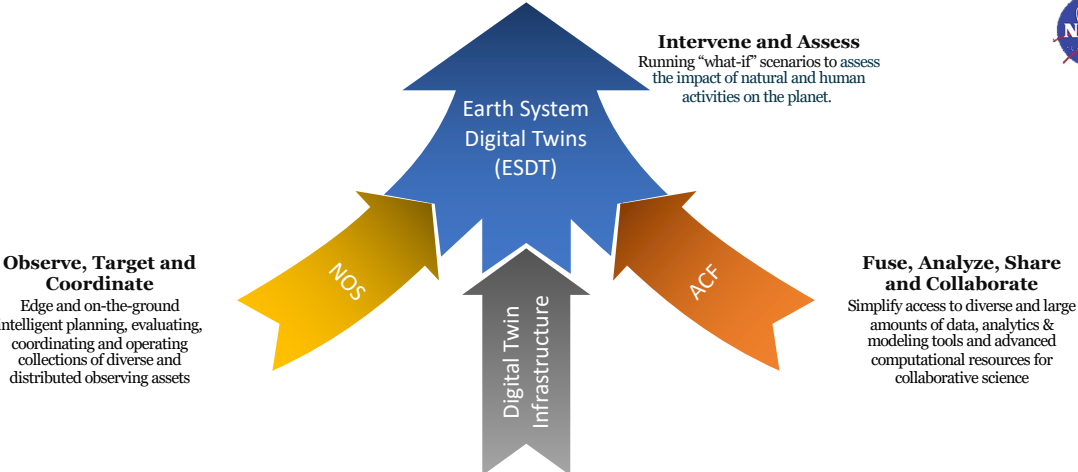
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**Three AIST Thrusts**

**Observe, Target and Coordinate**  
 Edge and on-the-ground intelligent planning, evaluating, coordinating and operating collections of diverse and distributed observing assets

**Intervene and Assess**  
 Running “what-if” scenarios to assess the impact of natural and human activities on the planet.

**Fuse, Analyze, Share and Collaborate**  
 Simplify access to diverse and large amounts of data, analytics & modeling tools and advanced computational resources for collaborative science

**Interrogate, Simulate, Trade and Visualize**  
 Robust tools for interrogating, assessing uncertainties & causality, and for visualization, leveraging diverse data, models and products

**NOS = Novel Observing Strategies**

**ACF = Analytic Collaborative Frameworks**

# Earth System Digital Twins Components



## Digital Replica ... **What now?**

An integrated picture of the past and current states of Earth systems.

## Forecasting ... **What next?**

An integrated picture of how Earth systems will evolve in the future from the current state.

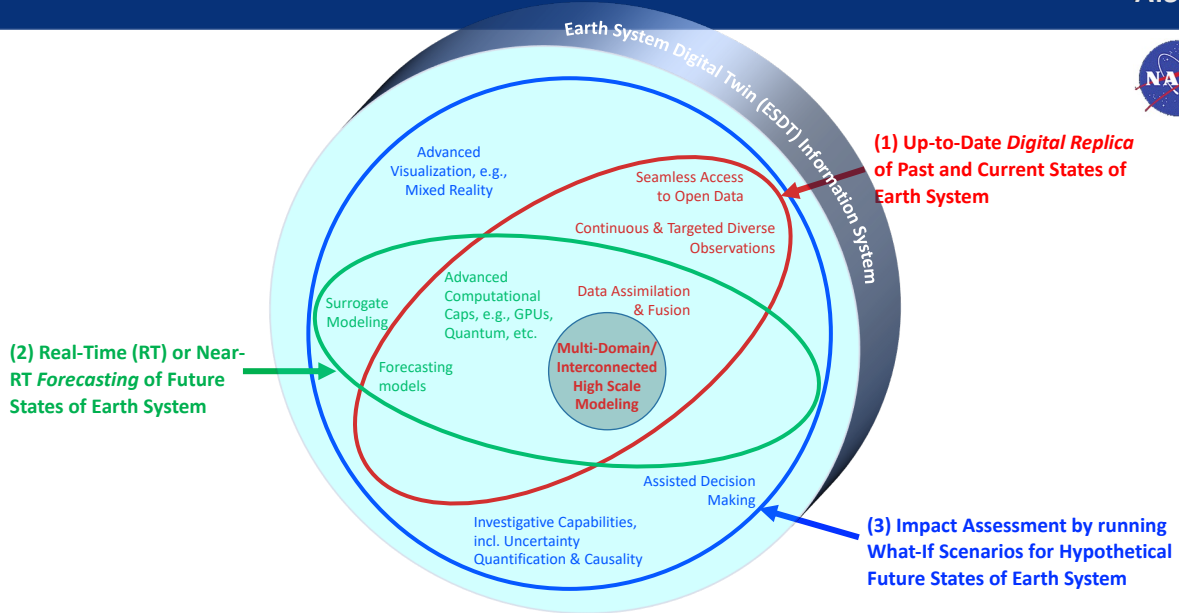
## Impact Assessment ... **What if?**

An integrated picture of how Earth systems could evolve under different hypothetical what-if scenarios.



- **Continuous observations** of interacting Earth systems and human systems
- From many **disparate sources**
- Driving **inter-connected models**
- At many **physical and temporal scales**
- With fast, powerful and integrated **prediction, analysis and visualization** capabilities
- Using **Machine Learning, causality and uncertainty quantification**
- Running at **scale** in order to improve our **science** understanding of those systems, their **interactions** and their **applications**

# AIST ESDT Capabilities



# ESTO AIST ESDT Activities Summary



- **AIST defines an Earth System Digital Twin (ESDT) as a dynamic and interactive information system that:**
  1. Provides a **digital replica** of the past and current states of the Earth or Earth system: *What-Now*
  2. Allows for computing **forecasts** of future states under nominal assumptions and based on the current replica: *What-Next*
  3. Offers the capability to **investigate many hypothetical scenarios** under varying impact assumptions: *What-If*.
  
- **AIST-21 Solicitation, first US government Solicitation requesting Digital Twins Technology for Earth Science:**
  - **New ESDT thrust** building on and advancing previously AIST-funded technology in ACF, NOS and Machine Learning (ML)
  - **14 AIST-funded ESDT projects (2020 – 2023) focusing on developing:**
    - Underlying analytic capabilities to build Digital Replicas
    - Novel ESDT infrastructure technologies
    - Surrogate modeling and ML emulators
    - Preliminary prototypes including interconnected modeling
  
- **AIST ESDT Workshop (October 2022)**
  - Report online on AIST Website by end of June 2023
  - Defined 6 science use cases during/after Workshop
  
- **International Coordination towards Interoperability and Standards:**
  - AIST-CNES Collaborative Development of Flood ESDT Prototype (IDEAS/FloodDAM DT)
  - Joint Conference Sessions and Coordination Meetings with ESA & DestinE

# Grouped Reviews Objectives



- **Respond to Annual ESTO AIST Reporting Requirements**
  - Technical Annual Reviews Grouped by Focus Areas
  - Individual Programmatic Reporting
  
- **Establish Relationship between Awardees**
  - Assess complementarity of various approaches and technologies in same AIST thrust
  - Investigate potential collaboration/coordination opportunities (potentially share algorithms, codes or ideas)
  - Investigate 3<sup>rd</sup> Optional Year teaming arrangements:
    - If proposed, optional 3<sup>rd</sup> Years – will be *selected* 18 Months after project start
    - For **one of three purposes**:
      1. Transition AIST technology to another Program or project
      2. Develop NOS-Testbed Concept and/or Demonstration
      3. ESDT Prototype
    - **Not all proposed 3<sup>rd</sup> Years might be funded**
    - **Can be different than original proposal but no budget increase**
    - **Collaborative AIST Projects** will be prioritized/encouraged (i.e., several AIST projects in a system-of-systems approach)
  
- **Introduce AIST Projects and PIs to Broader Community**
  - Present AIST projects to NASA ESD Program Managers/Scientists and partner organizations
  - Facilitate technology infusions and knowledge transfer of AIST projects upon completion.
  
- **Review Needs in terms of:**
  - SMCE (NASA Science Managed Cloud Environment): AWS system access
  - ESIP: Project analysis to improve infusion and transition opportunities

# ESIP Evaluation

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Between 12 and 18 months in your project, you can request an **Assessment of Maturity by ESIP** ("Earth Science Information Partners")

- **No cost to the PIs**
- **Process:**
  - 1. Objectives Set up and Facilitation:**
    - ESIP provides access to the Earth Science community & feedback on your technology/product/tool
    - ESIP will work with PIs to set specific objectives, taking into consideration TRL
    - ESIP will facilitate evaluator calls, development of evaluation plan, communication with PIs
  - 2. Technical Exchange Meeting:**
    - PI team meets evaluators.
    - Big picture to backend... evaluators should have a solid understanding of the purpose and goals of technology
  - 3. Evaluation Period:**
    - ESIP coordinates evaluation process.
    - Evaluators meet regularly, requesting information from PIs when necessary.
  - 4. Final Report:**
    - ESIP works with evaluators to create final report to be shared with PIs & AIST.
    - Reports can be public upon PI request.

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# Building AI-based Earth Systems Models and the TERRAHydro Terrestrial Digital Twin

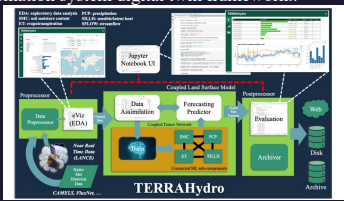

\*Craig Pelissier (PI)  
Grey Nearing (Co-PI)  
Carlos Cruz  
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## Terrestrial Environmental Rapid-Replication and Assimilation Hydrometeorological System (TERRAHydro)

PI: Craig Pelissier, Science Systems Applications Inc.



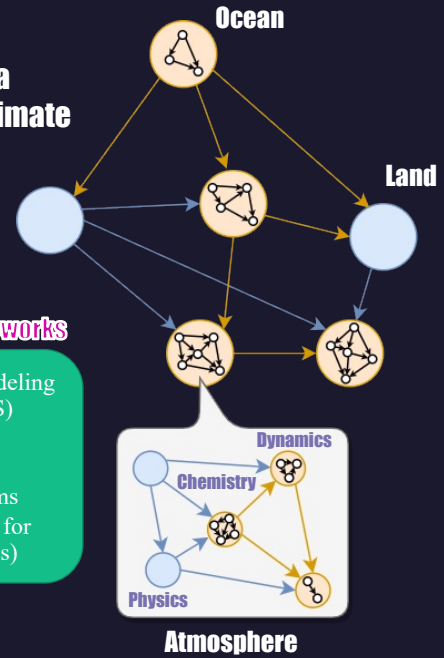
<p><b>Objective</b></p> <p>To develop a coupled water, energy, and vegetation ESDT (TERRAHydro) using tensor-based modeling that leverages the speed and accuracy of ML inference to provide unprecedented capabilities including (but not limited to) assimilation, rapid-reconfigurability, comprehensive scenario and What-if Analyses, and uncertainty quantification.</p>	<p><b>Technology Framework</b> TERRAHydro deploys a modern, open-source, open-science Python-based information system digital twin framework.</p> 
<p><b>Approach:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To couple the current state-of-the-art hydrometeorological ML Tensor Network models using 3 coupling strategies (direct coupling, shared model structure, and PDE learning).</li> <li>2. To develop a modern Python-based information systems encapsulating the proposed land surface model that is open-source, cloud-ready, portable, and enables open-science.</li> <li>3. To assess and demonstrate capabilities on the 2006-2010 Syrian drought and water storage changes in the Himalayan mountains.</li> </ol> <p><b>CoIs:</b> Grey Nearing, Carlos Cruz, Brandon Smith, and Vanessa Valenti.</p>	<p><b>Key Milestones</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Software Milestone (year 1):</b> Basic functionality to enable training, validation, and coupling.</li> <li>• <b>Software Milestone (year 2):</b> All Functionality completed for final year assessment + demonstration.</li> <li>• <b>Software Milestone (year 3):</b> Cloud-ready complete ML workflow capabilities.</li> <li>• <b>Technology Milestone (year 1):</b> All training data acquired and LSM sub-components tested.</li> <li>• <b>Technology Milestone (year 2):</b> Assimilation, coupling, physics-informed methodologies done.</li> <li>• <b>Technology Milestone (year 3):</b> Demonstrate and assess the power of the TERRAHydro.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">TRL<sub>in</sub> = 3</p> 

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# The Structure of Earth Systems Models

- Composed of a coupled set of sub-systems or models of physical processes.
- Organizable into a hierarchal graph with components developed and maintained by domain experts across multiple organizations (e.g., government, academia, industry).
- Frameworks for coupling, organization, and operation of large ESMs/climate models are essential to developing and maintaining large open-source open-science systems.
- Existing frameworks mostly written in/for Fortran and parallelized with MPI for scalability on large CPU-based clusters.

A Diagram of a Hierarchal Climate Model



Some existing frameworks

- Earth Systems Modeling Framework (GEOS)
- MAPL (GEOS)
- NASA's Land Information Systems (operational driver for land surface models)

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# Adoption of AI-based Technology

- Data-Driven models have emerged across many Earth Science domains and have been shown to be a **powerful alternative to traditional modeling**.
- **Very few operational AI-based Earth Systems models exist today** (one example is Google's flood forecasting system).
- Integration into existing modeling frameworks is a significant challenge to the adoption AI-based technologies.

This is relevant today. AI technologies already exist that offer improved capabilities.

Some Barriers to Adoption

Existing frameworks do not provide gradients to train fully integrated AI technologies.

AI models are written (Python) using powerful tensor-based software which is not easily integrated with Fortran/MPI.

AI-models use differently structured data (sequence-to-one, sequence-to-sequence, image stacks/series)

Assimilation techniques in AI can use tensor gradients techniques.



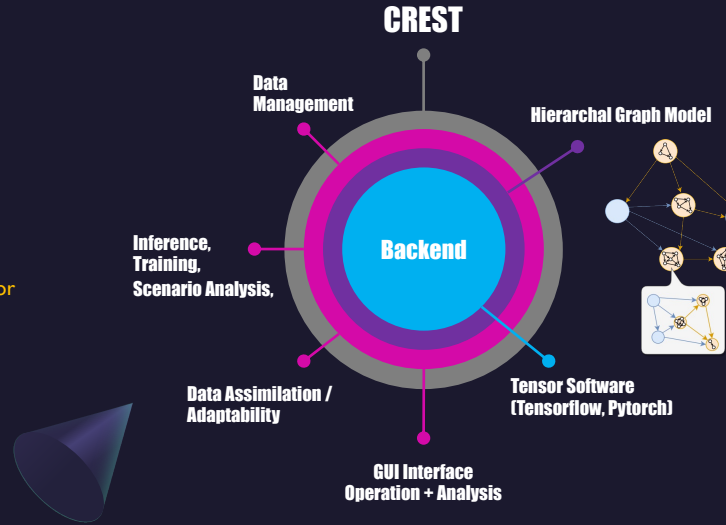
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# A Coupled Reusable Earth System Tensor (CREST) Framework

- An AI-First Python framework for building coupled open-source open-science Earth Systems Models.
- Uses a hierarchal graph-based model that maps Earth Systems Models to Tensor Graphs that leverage existing tensor-based software for the heavy lifting (training).
- Sets a standard for how models are integrated or coupled to facilitate the construction, maintenance, and operation of large multi-organization Earth Science Models.
- Provides the infrastructure for running and operating Earth Systems Models.

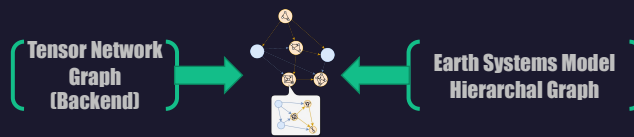


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## A Closer Look at CREST



Combines the idea of ESM hierarchal graphs with Tensor Network graphs.



### CREST Hierarchal Tensor Graph/Model

Provides a specification/map between a Tensor Network graph and ESM graph.

Standardizes how data is passed between sub-systems.

Internally handles different types of AI-models: Keras, Pytorch, Jax, Black-box models.

Creates a layer between the tensor backend to enable flexible, extensible, agnostic infrastructure to be built.

### CREST Operational Infrastructure

Data Management for loading large geo-spatial-temporal data.

Data Asssimilation for ingestion of near real-time data and adaptability.

Easy-to-use GUI-based driver for operation and analysis.

Training, inference, and scenario analysis workflows to perform operational simulations.

Infrastructure to build, maintain, and operate ESMs.

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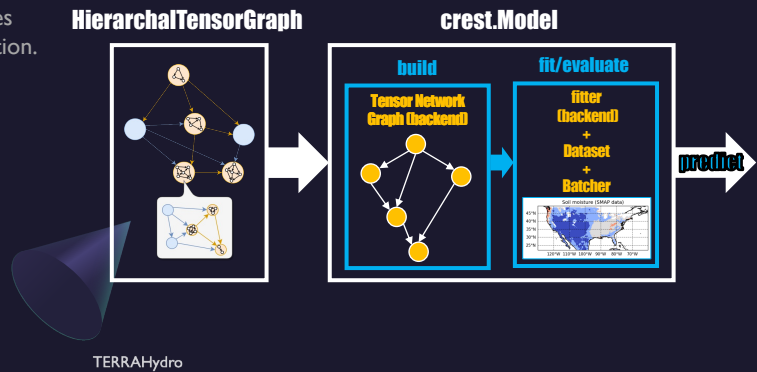


# CREST Progress

A 1-year milestone to have a complete workflow from data loading through inference.



- The CREST Model translates an HTG into a tensor network graph using the backend and provides functionality for fitting, evaluation, and prediction.
- Currently, it can only build TensorFlow-based models.
- Provides:
  - `build()` translates the HTG into a tensor network graph.
  - `fit()` train the model
  - `evaluate()` returns the model loss.
  - `predict()` makes a prediction given input.



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# Traditional Modeling In CREST



- It is easier to express physical processes in Tensor Networks than integrate tensor networks in physical-based model.
- Any physical-based or process-based parameterized model can be written using tensor-based software.
- Some work on incorporating physical constraints within AI models.
- Some approaches to estimate gradients of black-box models which would allow wrapping of Fortran-based models into python for inclusion in CREST.
- Some efforts towards Fortran auto-diff.

Integrating traditional models in CREST is targeted for future development.

## NEED GRADIENTS Potential Approaches

Rewrite (Fortran) models in a tensor language.

Leverage black-box gradient estimates.

Development of a reliable auto-differentiator for Fortran.

Apply physical constraints on AI models.

Emerging packages like JAX offer the use of numpy-like numerical packages that make this easier.

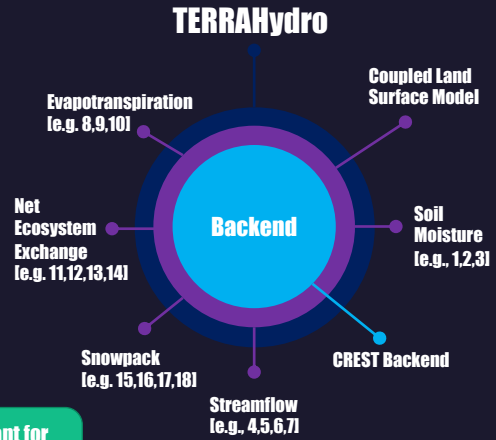
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# TERRAHydro



- Takes the next step in data-driven hydrology by coupling together 5 existing AI-based land surface components to assemble a land surface digital twin.
- Demonstrates an application of the CREST framework for assembling coupled AI-based Earth Systems Models --- guides the development.
- Enables new tensor-gradient-based data assimilation techniques in addition to traditional Bayesian approaches for near-real time ingestion of data.
- Computational efficiency and use of hardware accelerators enables rapid adaptability and scenario analysis beyond current capabilities.
- Potential for improved accuracy. References can be found on the last slide.

Important for Digital Twin capabilities



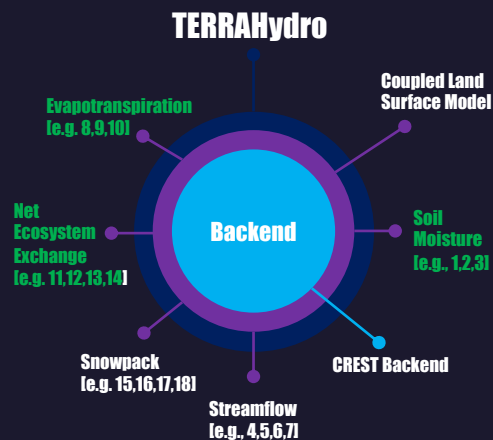
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TERRAHydro

# TERRAHydro Progress



- Soil Moisture, Evapotranspiration, Net Ecosystem Exchange (3 of 5) land surface components have been implemented and moderately validated.
- ESMWF (ERA5), Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP), and FluxNet data has been ingested for training.
- Large scale validation to reproduce paper results underway.
- A coupled Soil Moisture + Evapotranspiration model is underway with a target demonstration of coupled Soil Moisture + Evapotranspiration + Net Ecosystem Exchange model at the 18-month demo



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# Summary/Plan Forward

## CREST

- Nearly completed the 1-year milestone of a complete pipeline from data loading through inference.
- Implemented the data loader, model specification (HTG), and model building and training.
- Can now build TERRAHydro with TensorFlow.
- Finish 1-year milestone and continue to add features and refinements as needed.
- Expand HTG to enable any node that provides a gradient and trainable parameters.
- NASA public license to share with external collaborators underway.
- Data assimilator and GUI-driver.

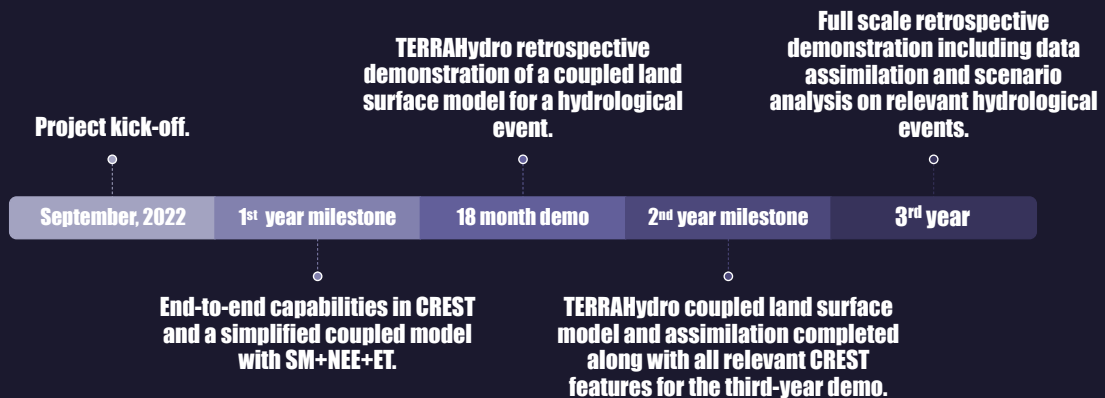
## TERRAHDRO

- 3 out of 5 model moderately validated (SM, ET, NEE).
- FluxNet, ERA5, and SMAP data ingested.
- Prototype ET+SM model underway.
- Fully validate SM, ET, and NEE (longer runs that produce relatively accurate maps).
- Build and moderately validate a SM + ET + NEE in preparation for 18-month demo.
- Fully validate (produce maps) using SM + ET + NEE.
- Data assimilation, validation of SF and SP, and moderately validated model with all 5 components in preparation for year-3 demos.

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# Timeline



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# Potential Infusion/Collaborations

## Provide a summary of actual or potential infusions

- **Infusion:** The Google Flood Forecasting team is working to expand their operational, global AI-based flood forecasting model to include drought monitoring and S2S time horizons. Our objective is for CREST to support that expansion.
- **Knowledge Transfer:** The US National Water Model is being redesigned (a project called the **Nextgen National Water Model**), and the interoperable modeling framework used by that project (called the Basic Model Interface) does not support ML.

## Provide a summary of actual or potential collaborations

- Co-PI Nearing is co-leading the development of an **expanded land surface model** at Google Research, and that team will leverage tools from the CREST project for that effort.
- Co-PI Nearing is working with the **CIROH project** (50 universities, 151 PIs including Nearing, \$560M) to integrate ML into the Nextgen NWM. The Nextgen BMI has the same problems as ESMF in terms of supporting ML. Our role on that project is to **advise about how to expand BMI to support ML**.
- PI Craig Pelissier is working/attending meetings of a **collaborative effort between CNES, NOAA and NASA** to build a **Coastal Zone Digital Twin** and advising on the potential of **leveraging CREST** for that effort.

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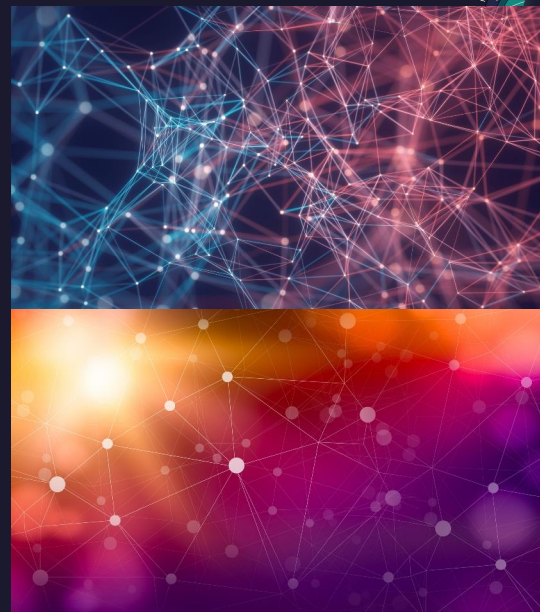
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# Pixels for Public Health:

## Analytic Collaborative Framework and Digital Twin to Enhance Coastal Resiliency of Vulnerable Populations in Hampton Roads, Virginia

Dr. Thomas Allen, PI, Old Dominion University

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Team: Co-Is Navid Tahvildari, George McLeod, Heather Richter (Old Dominion University), Soenke Dangendorf (Tulane University), and Oz Yetkin (Analytical Mechanics Associates)



### Pixels for Public Health: Digital Twin for Coastal Resilience of Vulnerable Populations

PI: Thomas Allen, Old Dominion University

**Objective**

Integrate multi-source, high-velocity data: Earth Observations, hydrodynamic models, and sensor networks to predict human health impacts of coastal flooding. Prototypes a coastal Digital Twin that integrates sea-level change, hydrodynamics, and extreme rainfall modeling and its impacts on an urban system.

- Optimize EO data streams, flood modeling, and IoT sensors for validation and model improvement.
- Align observations and predictions to decision support tools in short- and long-term scenarios for health and emergency management and sea level rise adaptation and planning.
- Develop EEJ impacts and metrics for measuring social disparities of climate change impacts across the region.

**Approach**

Utilize an analytical collaborative framework and Open Data Cube to replicate Hampton Roads coastal flooding.

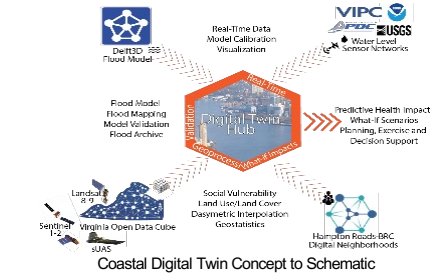
Create a prototype Digital Twin to integrate flood models, sensor and satellite observations and analyze human health vulnerabilities from coastal flooding.

Collate and make interoperable STACs for flood models and sensor observation networks. Use Hub technology to visualize DT scenarios.

Code linkages of disparate data structures and harmonize their use for predictive analytics (risk exposure, accessibility models, health morbidities, health services and mitigation)

Create a platform for *what-if* scenario analysis, testing, and tabletop functional exercises for end-users

**Co-Is/Partners:** Tulane University, VIPC, NWS, Hampton Roads BRC



**Key Milestones**

- VA Data cube and product prototypes 12/22
- SLR modeling scenarios and probabilities 02/23
- Flood model domain, assessment, GIS workflow 04/23
- Flood sensor + IoT app integration 08/23
- Health impacts digital twin prototype 12/23
- Future SLR + flood scenarios implemented 09/24

**Optional Year 3:**

- Tabletop exercise and sustainability plan 03/25

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- Background and Objectives
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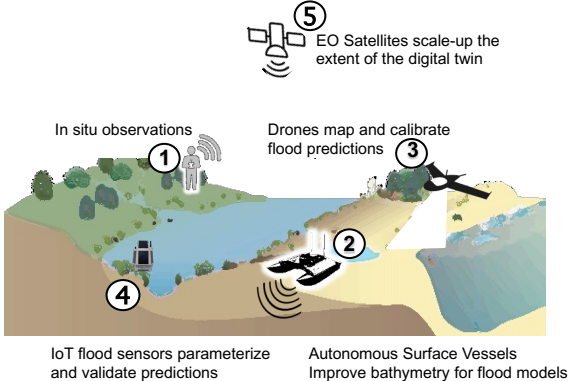
## Background and Objectives

- Background:** This project helps supports NASA R&A and Applications science goals:
- **Climate Variability:** Improved understanding of sea-level acceleration and how to include it in future probabilistic scenarios with attribution of multiple forcings.
  - **Weather:** Incorporate rainfall with tidal and storm surge flooding to characterize coastal compound flooding.
  - **Disasters; Health & Air Quality; Water & Food, EEJ:**
    - NASA-Infused Digital Twin improve on the response, recovery and planning for acute to chronic coastal hazards
    - Improved characterization of population vulnerability and EEJ
    - Demonstrate scenario-based and what-if analysis DT applications

**Objectives:**

- 1) Develop and showcase the potential use of new Digital Twin technology to support coastal resilience.
- 2) Expand capabilities of the Virginia Open Data Cube to integrate multi-source IoT flood sensor data, flood model predictions, and Earth Observations.
- 3) Demonstrate a prototype DT with analytical capability of robustly replicating complex flood events in Hampton Roads, Virginia, while also enabling future what-if analyses applied to emergency management, public health, and equity and environmental justice.
- 4) Evaluate potential future advances for DT technology and its sustainable use.

**Inventorying Technology:**  
A variety of observing systems are being combined in the digital twin



EO Satellites scale-up the extent of the digital twin

In situ observations

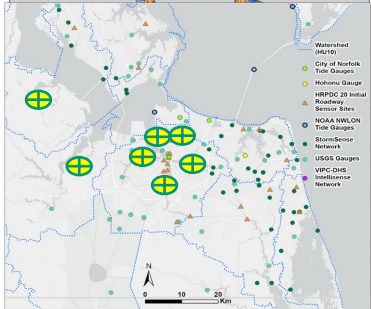
Drones map and calibrate flood predictions

IoT flood sensors parameterize and validate predictions

Autonomous Surface Vessels Improve bathymetry for flood models

Webcam at Smithfield, Virginia

Disparate flood sensors need to be combined. Gaps in coverage need to be filled.



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**Background / Objectives / Tech Advance**

- **Initial findings**
  - The VA Open Data Cube is developing new capabilities across IoT flood sensors, EO data, and flood prediction models.
  - We discerned more detail in the historical sea-level acceleration and are modeling with CMIP and future large ensemble models
  - Discovered unexpected point source pollution connectivity to tidal flooding in our hydro-connectivity analyses.
  - Generated new code for DataCube analysis (shared via Git and Hub)
  - Tested new data cube notebooks using OPERA DSWx, VIMS TideWatch flood model, six flood sensor networks, and other EO data cloud repositories.
  - Identified new opportunities for optimization of data streams (e.g. COG-format and geoprocessing, ingesting UAS data, and hosting cloud data services)
- **Phasing Adjustments**
  - First-year phasing required slight budget adjustments; securing Tulane subaward with necessary resource to fund the upfront SLRise work.
  - Sensor integration and data cube implementation were initially slow but recently apace.
  - Revised AMA and VMASC subcontracts to support additional AWS data cube work (tiling and data ingestion, future scalability, and front-end)

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## Technology Development Results

- The Virginia Open DataCube (ODC) has been redesigned and stocked with ARD datasets, including new products and STAC
  - Assimilated multiple IoT flood sensor networks in a unified/common data structure for platforms via AWS: *StormSense* and Esri ArcGIS Hub dashboard
  - OPERA DSWx Landsat-Sentinel 2 Harmonized Water Extent
  - SWOT pending
  - Dashboard is in draft state for activation on the Hub
  - Geospatial Modeling has developed new algorithms to identify hydroconnected flood vulnerabilities (automated with LiDAR DEMs, USGS NHD, and regional stormwater and transportation infrastructure)
    - Hydro-correction models have performed successfully and are being regionally implemented, soon to be published to the Hub and datacube.
  - Hydrodynamic modeling is progressing with precipitation
  - VA OpenData Cube AWS registries are being compiled for integration
  - New product definitions for UAV and ASV autonomous data.
- Residual Project Risks and Mitigation
  - Departed Col A. Nielsen, onboarded AMA consultants and full stack developer Brandon Feldhaus to focus on the VA ODC and AWS resources.
  - Blake Steiner and Yin-Hsuen Chen<sup>7</sup> tasked geospatial and hub developers



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## Technical Advances: Data Cube Content

- Data Cube Repository and Analysis
  - IoT
    - Flood sensor integration and APIs
  - Flood models
    - TideWatch, DELFT, NWM, STOfS and STACs
  - EO data
    - NASA STAC EO Earthdata
    - Water extents (Landsat, Sentinel 2 OPERA DSWx)
    - VLM from Shirzaei, JPL OPERA, and future SWOT and NISAR products
  - ~12 Existing ODC catalog datasets
  - Hub connected Geodata
    - ODU HR Planning District Commission, HR Sanitation District, municipalities, Va. Dept. Emergency Mgt, and HR Biomedical Research Consortium
  - Others
    - NOAA and USGS CoNED, NHD, and Lidar

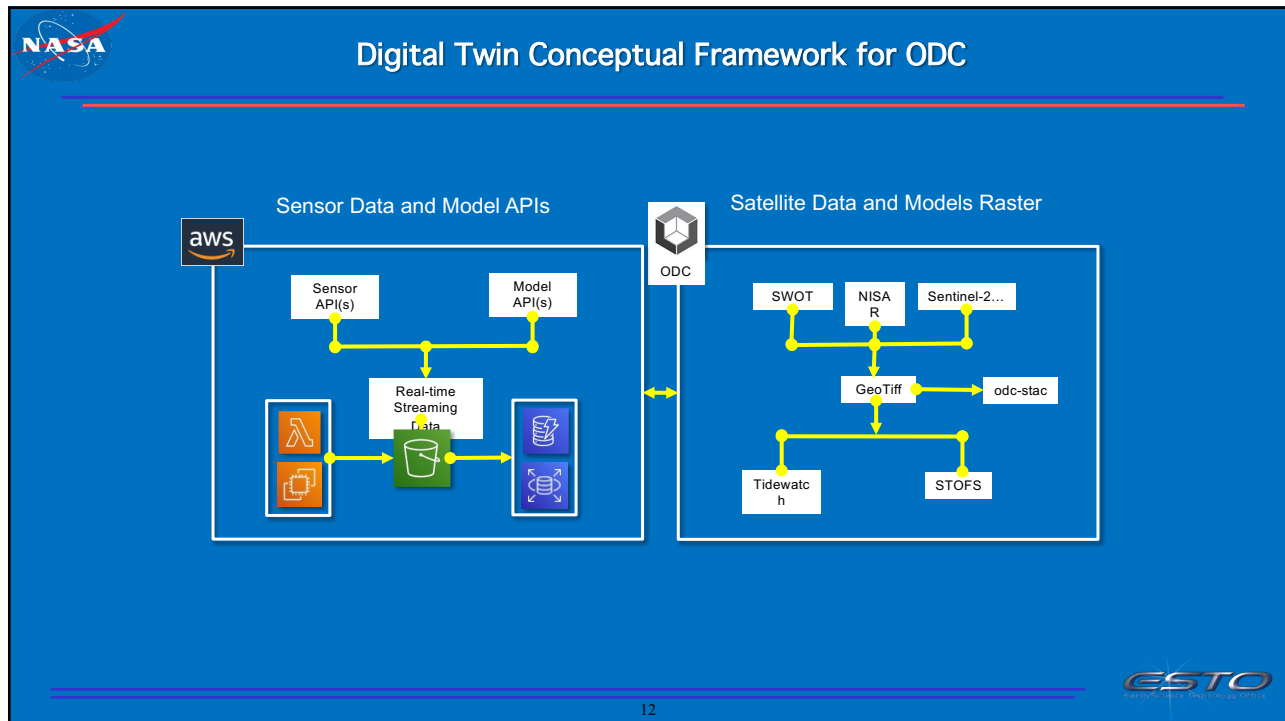
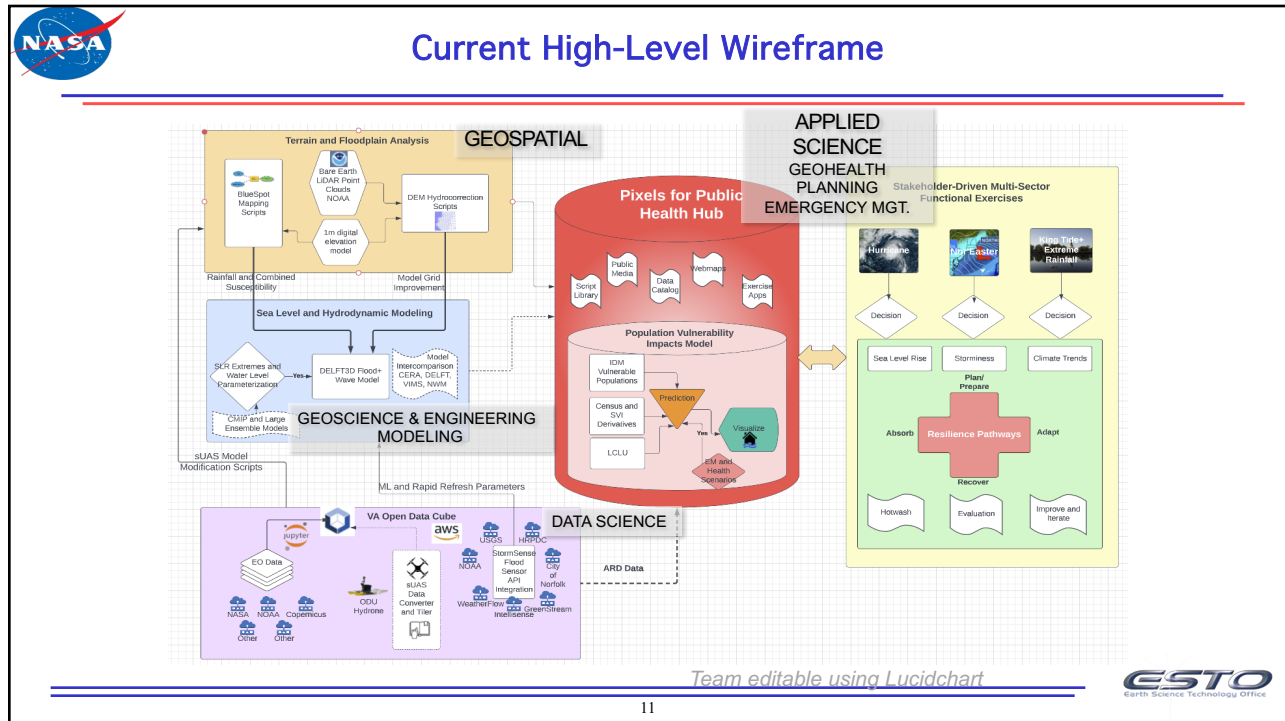


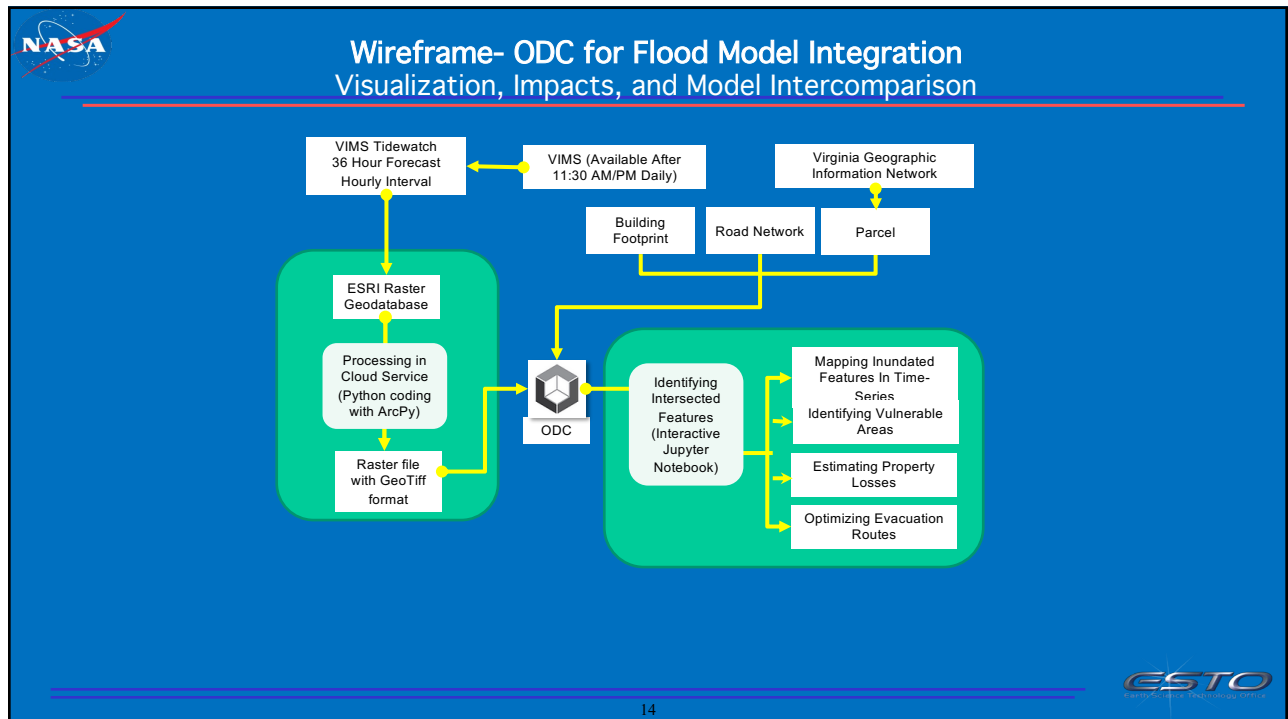
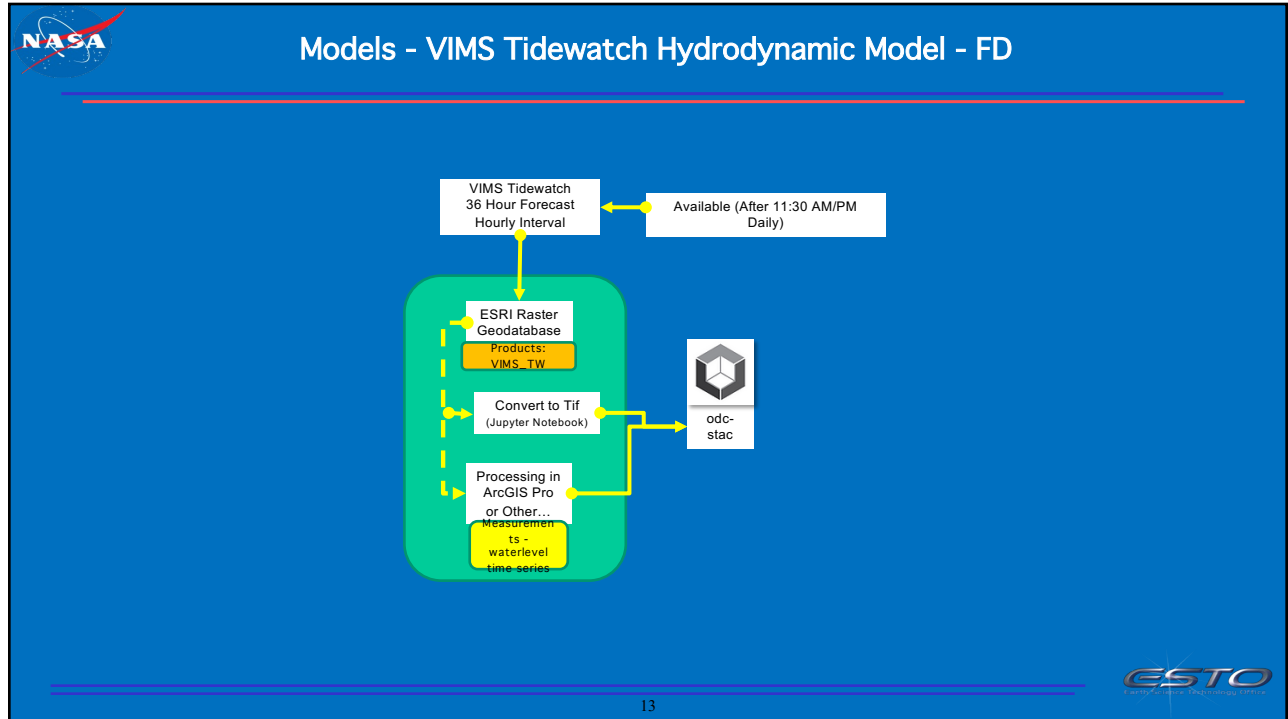
## Hampton Roads' Coastal DT Twin

### Framework

<b>Scope</b>	A digital twin to integrate sea-level change, coastal hydrodynamics, and evolving climate and vertical land motion (subsidence) drivers of increased flooding.
<b>Capabilities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sea-level and flood forecasting, vertical land motion, satellite and in situ IoT flood observations and hydrologic processes, land use/land cover, and socio-economic activity</li> </ul>
<b>Digital Replica</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digital replica of current state of systems to observe water level and extents; predict flooding; provide information for coastal resilience (adaptation, mitigation, and planning)</li> </ul>
<b>Forecasting/Prediction</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify future states of tidal, storm, and combined flood events, and how they interact with human systems (disasters, adaptation, and mitigation); Use the DT to test and refine optimized planning for adaptation and hazard mitigation (with EEJ consideration).</li> </ul>
<b>Impact Assessment (What-if?)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How might a city adapt to increasing extent, frequency, and magnitude of flooding?</li> <li>• What-if new information on subsidence can reveal relative risk in flooding?</li> <li>• What-if natural and nature-based features can sustain ecosystems and alleviate floods?</li> </ul>
<b>Earth Systems</b>	Ocean (sea-level, water quality, tides), atmosphere (storms and extreme rainfall), and land (VLM, LULC, and shoreline change)
<b>Human Systems</b>	Water and transportation infrastructure, emergency services, and port facilities
<b>Resources</b>	Satellite Earth observations, sea-level and flood models (TideWatch, STOfS, DELFT2D, NWS), IoT flood sensors, building parcel land use fabric, future

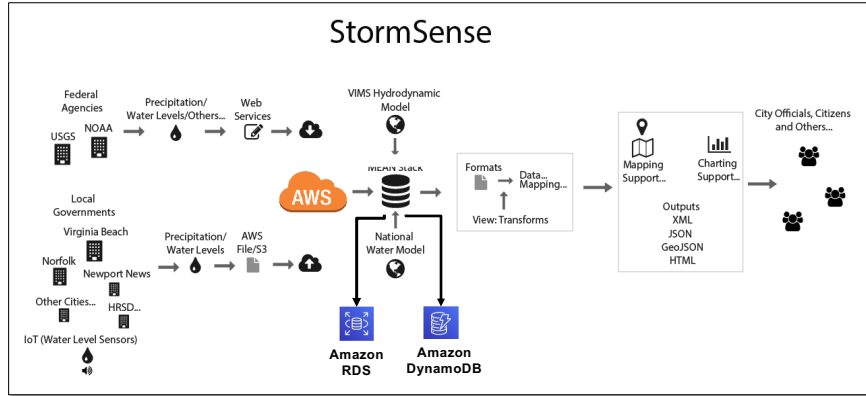








## StormSense Schematic



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## NASA Assets Added to the Data Cube

### JPL Opera

RELEASE	PRODUCTS	PRODUCT RELEASE
1	DSW-HLS DIST-HLS	April 2023 (provisional)
2	RTC-S1 CSLC-S1	
3	DSW-S1 DISP-S1	
4	DSW-NISAR DSW-SWOT	
5	CSLC-NISAR DISP-NISAR	July 2025

HLS = Harmonized Landsat Sentinel-2; S1 = Sentinel-1; NISAR = NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar; SWOT = Surface Water and Ocean Topography.

### SWOT

Datasets	Initial Pre-Validated Product Release <sup>1</sup>	Initial Validated Product Release <sup>2</sup>
Level 1 (Nadir Altimeter, Radiometer, GPS, DORIS)	No sooner than July 2023 (Launch +7 months)	Expected in December 2023 (Launch +12 months)
Level 1 (KaRin)	No sooner than October 2023 (Launch +10 months)	Expected in April 2024 (Launch +16 months)
Level 2	No sooner than October 2023 (Launch +10 months)	Expected in April 2024 (Launch +16 months)





## SpatioTemporal Asset Catalogs (STAC)

Public APIs	Public Static Catalogs	Protected APIs and Catalogs	Private APIs and Catalogs
<b>Public Catalogs</b> ALS Raster Kaernten public Catalog ALS Raster Kaernten 2023 California Forest Observatory Capella Space Open Data Digitale Orthophotos Niedersachsen EO Data Cubes for Brazil - CBERS 4 EO Data Cubes for Brazil - Sentinel 2 esri-hub-2020 FAIR/CUBE Hub Catalog FedEO Clearinghouse public Catalog FMI ARD Finland public Catalog Google Earth Engine public Catalog	Sentinel 3 Level 2a-3 on AWS public Catalog Sentinel 5P Level 2 on AWS public Catalog SPOT Orthoimages of Canada (2005-2010) public Catalog UK NCEO Analysis Ready Data (ARD) public Catalog USGS 3DEP LIDAR Point Clouds public Catalog USGS Astrogeology Provided Analysis Ready Data public Catalog World Bank - Light Every Night public Catalog	IDE Facultad de Ciencia y Tecnología UADER public Catalog Maxar ARD Sample Data public Catalog Maxar Open Data Catalog (ARD format) public Catalog Sentinel 1 RTC CONUS public Catalog	S2 for Ghana public Catalog Satellite Vu public static STAC public Catalog

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## Data Cube as a Regional STAC Development

- **NOAA 3-D Surge and Tide Operational Forecast System for the Atlantic Basin (STOFS-3D-Atlantic) - STOFS**  
<https://aws.amazon.com/marketplace/pp/prodview-jfq56eu763w74>  
[https://ocean.weather.gov/Loops/ocean\\_guidance.php?model=STOFS&area=MidAtlantic&plot=cwl&day=1&loop=1](https://ocean.weather.gov/Loops/ocean_guidance.php?model=STOFS&area=MidAtlantic&plot=cwl&day=1&loop=1)
- **NOAA's National Water Model (NWM)**  
<https://aws.amazon.com/marketplace/pp/prodview-73iwu7dcfuge2?sr=0-1&ref=beagle&applicationId=AWSMPContessa>  
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- **VIMS Tidewatch**  
<https://cmap2.vims.edu/SCHISM/TidewatchViewer.html>
- **Data Cube Open Access and Shared Notebook Repository**  
<https://cmap2.vims.edu/SCHISM/TidewatchViewer.html>

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## Geospatial Hub

### ArcGIS Hub Technology for Geospatial Specialist and End-Users

[tinyurl.com/pixels4health](https://tinyurl.com/pixels4health)  
<https://pixels-for-public-health-digital-twin-odu-gis-hub.arcgis.com/>




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## Summary of Accomplishments and Future Plans

- **Current state: ODC emerging as central to the coastal DT**
  - High readiness to grow content
  - Analytical notebooks current and in development
  - Capacity for expanded EO data (flood model archive and UAS flood extents)
  - Identifying scalability and performance considerations and options
  - Planning derivative documentation, training and publication
  - Hub platform growing to host scores more regional datasets and IO with the ODC
  - Preparing for a visualization front-end for both ODC and Hub (focused on scenarios)
  - Planning a user community workshop to refine scope for prototype demonstration (e.g., EM-styled tabletop exercise, nor'easter, tidal flood, or hurricane surge with combined flooding; public health impact and neighborhood accessibility and EEJ impact dashboard)
  
- **Future Critical Tasks**
  - Key identification of data cube performance, scaling and analytical optimization
  - Push on fuller geodata and demographic EEJ community data
  - Sustain the IoT flood sensor network and connectivity (VIMS, VDEM, NOAA-USGS) and model a successful use case (target: King Tide 1Oct2023)
  - Enhance combined flood characterization and model intercomparison tools
  - Assess and support DT documentation and tools (Git, documentation and training, student and scientist onboard; e.g., ODU School of Data Science and DT-related conferences, symposia, and publications)



## Current State – DataCube Catalog Additions

### Current Repository

Data	Description
io_lulc	Impact Observatory (ESRI) Landcover Classification
landsat_8_c2_l2	USGS Landsat 8 Collection 2 Level-2 Surface Reflectance
ls5_c2l2_sr	USGS Landsat 5 Collection 2 Level-2 Surface Reflectance
ls7_c2l2_sr	USGS Landsat 7 Collection 2 Level-2 Surface Reflectance
ls8_c2l2_sr	USGS Landsat 8 Collection 2 Level-2 Surface Reflectance
ls9_c2l2_sr	USGS Landsat 9 Collection 2 Level-2 Surface Reflectance
nasadem	NASADEM from Microsoft's Planetary Computer
	Sentinel-2a and Sentinel-2b imagery, processed to Level 2A (Surface Reflectance) and converted to Cloud Optimized GeoTIFFs
s2_l2a	

### Prioritized Additions

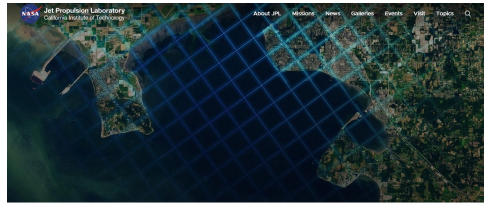
- Sentinel 1 SAR for flood extents
- ODU HydroDem
- Models: NWM, TideWatch, STOFs, DELFT3D flood models
- IOT flood sensors with Heavy.ai
- EPA ESI, ICLUS, Population
- Historic flood extents
- UAV orthoimagery for flood events
- Planet smallsat and Capella Space SAR (Govt. data buy)
- OPERA, SWOT, and NISAR



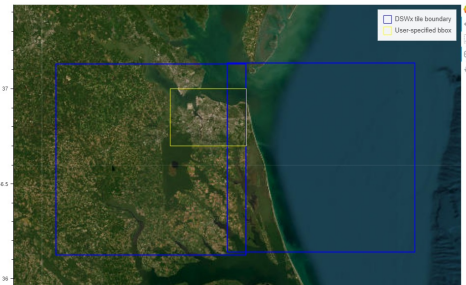


## Data Cube Example: OPERA Dynamic Surface Water Extent DSWx

- This product is part of *Observational Products for End-Users from Remote Sensing Analysis* (OPERA) Project
- Dynamic Surface Water Extent (DSWx)
- DSWx product is generated from Sentinel-1, NISAR, SWOT, and the Harmonized Landsat and Sentinel-2 data.
- These DSWx products are provided as an analysis ready dataset but are not harmonized across the different sensor.
- More detail: <https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/go/opera/products/dswx-product-suite>



Study area to filter available DSWx



## DataCube Jupyter Notebook to Analyze OPERA DSWx Flood Extent

### Generate Flood Maps without downloading OPERA DSWx-HLS products locally

This tutorial demonstrates how to query and work with the OPERA DSWx-HLS Provisional Data products from the cloud (`OPERA_L3_DSWX-HLS_PROVISIONAL_V0`).

#### Data Used in the Example:

*New collection can be called from PROVISIONAL\_V1*

- **30 meter (m) global OPERA Dynamic Surface Water Extent from Harmonized Landsat Sentinel-2 provisional product (Version 0) - OPERA\_L3\_DSWX-HLS\_PROVISIONAL\_V0**
  - This dataset contains Level-3 Dynamic OPERA provisional surface water extent product version 0. The data are provisional non-validated surface water extent observations over selective locations and times spanning from February 2019 to September 2022. The input dataset for generating each product is the Harmonized Landsat-8 and Sentinel-2A/B (HLS) product version 2.0. HLS products provide surface reflectance (SR) data from the Operational Land Imager (OLI) aboard the Landsat 8 satellite and the MultiSpectral Instrument (MSI) aboard the Sentinel-2A/B satellite. The surface water extent products are distributed over projected map coordinates using the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) projection. Each UTM file covers an area of 109.8 km × 109.8 km. This area is divided into 3,660 rows and 3,660 columns at 30-m pixel spacing. Each product is distributed as a set of 10 GeoTIFF (Geographic Tagged Image File Format) files including water classification, associated confidence, land cover classification, terrain shadow layer, cloud/cloud-shadow classification, Digital elevation model (DEM), and Diagnostic layer.
- **Science Dataset (SDS) layers: Pakistan Floods**
  - In 2022, Pakistan's monsoon season produced significant rainfall, devastating floods and landslides, affecting all four of the country's provinces and ~14% of its population [CDF]. Here, we demonstrate how DSWx-HLS can be used to map inundation extent as a result of the monsoon event in Sep 2022.
  - B02\_BWTR (Binary Water Layer)
  - B03\_CONF (Confidence Layer)

Please refer to the [OPERA Product Specification Document](#) for details about the DSWx-HLS product.

#### Before Starting this Tutorial

A [NASA Earthdata Login](#) account is required to download the data used in this tutorial. You can create an account at the link provided.

GitHub link: [https://github.com/OPERA-Cal-Val/OPERA\\_Applications/blob/main/DSWx/Flood/DSWx\\_FloodProduct.ipynb](https://github.com/OPERA-Cal-Val/OPERA_Applications/blob/main/DSWx/Flood/DSWx_FloodProduct.ipynb)





### OPERA DSWx Example in the Virginia DataCube

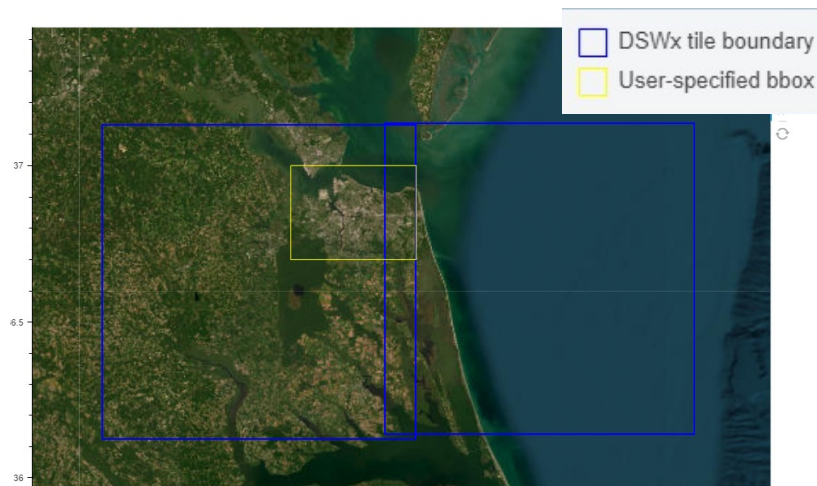
- 10 layers are provided in DSWx product suit
- For example, the layer 2 provide binary water layer

Layer: 2	Binary water (BWTR)
Type: UInt8	Shape (x, y): (3660 × 3660)
<p><b>Description:</b> The binary water map is derived from the WTR layer as a union of water classes (open water and partial surface water) into a binary map indicating areas with and without water. This layer is meant to provide users with a quick view for water/no-water. Invalid data classes (snow/ice, cloud/cloud shadow along with adjacent to cloud/cloud shadow, ocean masked, and fill value) are also provided to indicate areas in which the binary classification does not provide water/no-water classification.</p> <p><b>Layer classes:</b></p> <p>0: Not Water – an area with valid reflectance data that is not water (class 1) and not snow/ice (class 252), cloud/cloud shadow (class 253), or ocean masked (class 254).</p> <p>1: Water – an area classified as "open water" or "partial surface water" (see WTR layer).</p> <p>252: Snow/Ice - an area identified as snow/ice according to input HLS Fmask quality assurance (QA) data.</p> <p>253: Cloud/Cloud Shadow – an area identified as cloud or cloud shadow or adjacent to cloud/cloud shadow according to input HLS Fmask quality assurance (QA) data.</p> <p>254: Ocean Masked - an area identified as ocean using a shoreline database with an added margin</p> <p>255: Fill value (no data).</p>	

Product document: [https://d2pn8kiwq2w21t.cloudfront.net/documents/ProductSpec\\_DSWX\\_URS309746.pdf](https://d2pn8kiwq2w21t.cloudfront.net/documents/ProductSpec_DSWX_URS309746.pdf)

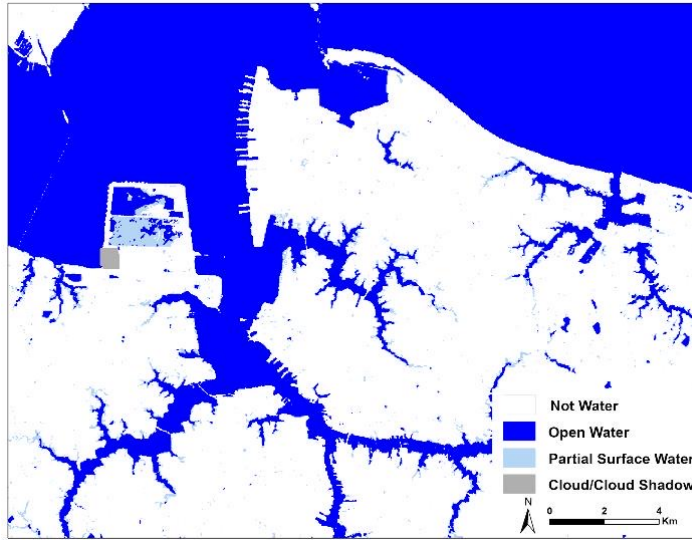


### DT Study Area to Filter Available DSWx Products





OPERA DSWx May 2023 Hampton Roads

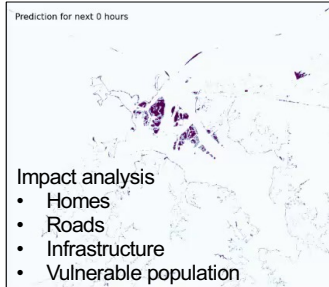


Example 2: VIMS TideWatch inundation model is read daily to map and analyze flood impacts.

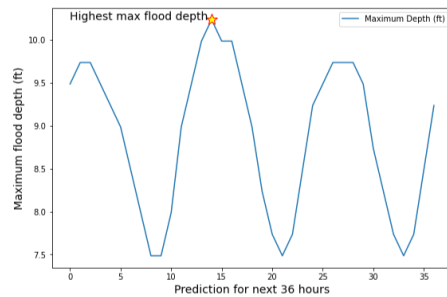
Raw time series hydrology data

Prediction hour	Minimum Depth (ft)	Mean Depth (ft)	Maximum Depth (ft)
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1	1	0.000065	0.897950
2	2	0.000065	0.894644

Mapped with GIS and interactive dashboards



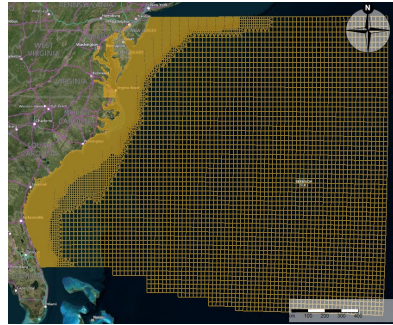
Collated to allow machine learning prediction



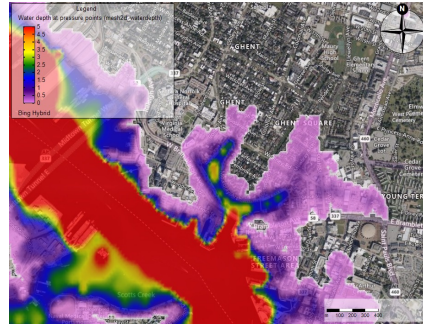


## Current State: Hydrodynamic Modeling with DELFT

Model Domain with Grids



Flooding in Hauge (Hurricane Irene 2011)

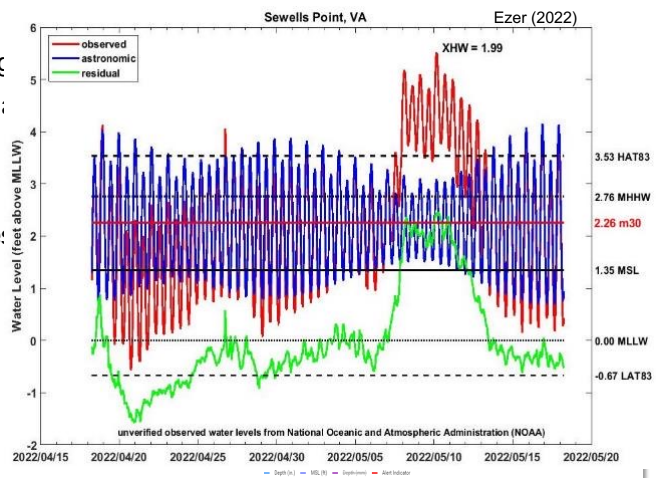


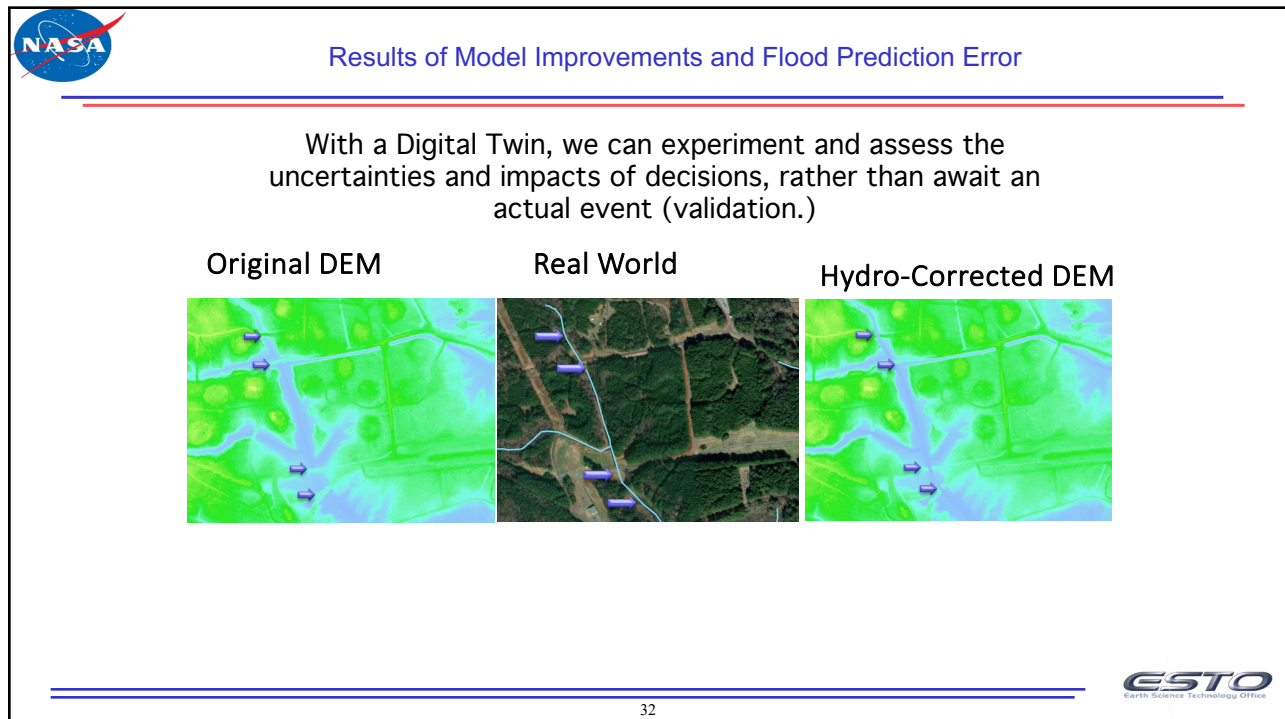
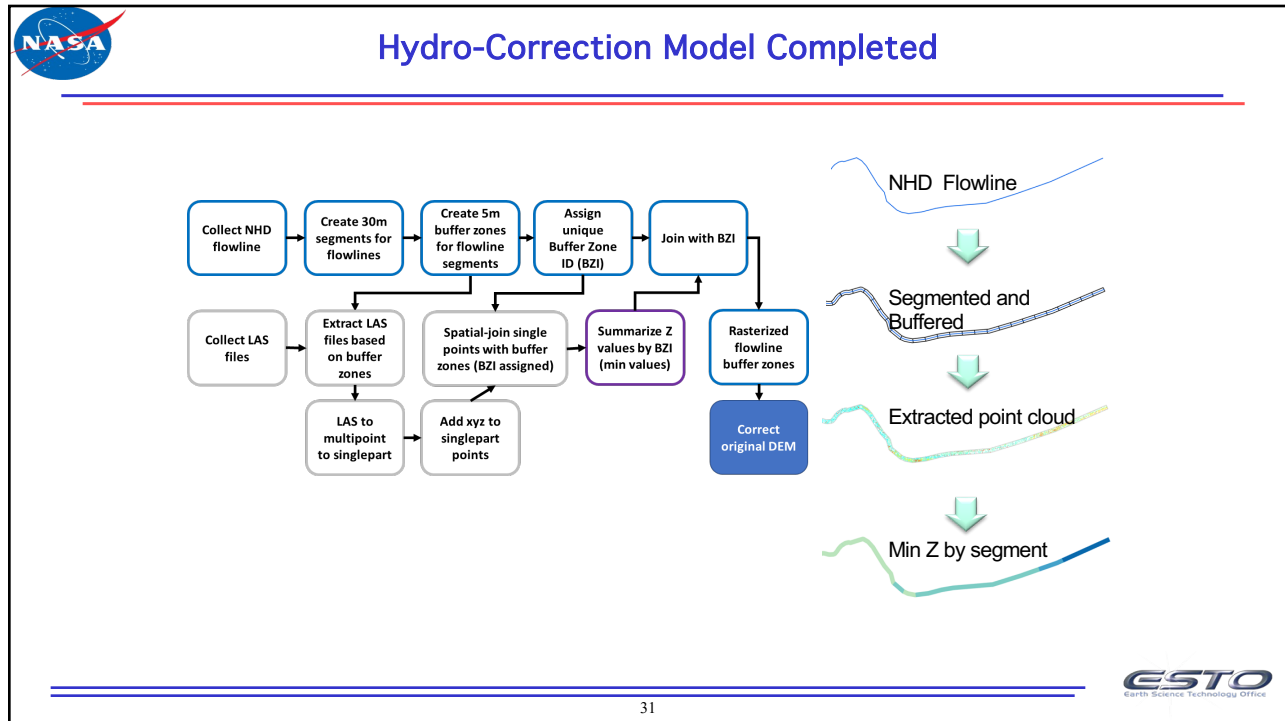
- Extended model grid to water level sensor locations
- Calibrated and validated the model for Hurricane Irene (2011)
- Set up spatiotemporal precipitation input for simulations of compound flooding from rainfall and storm surge

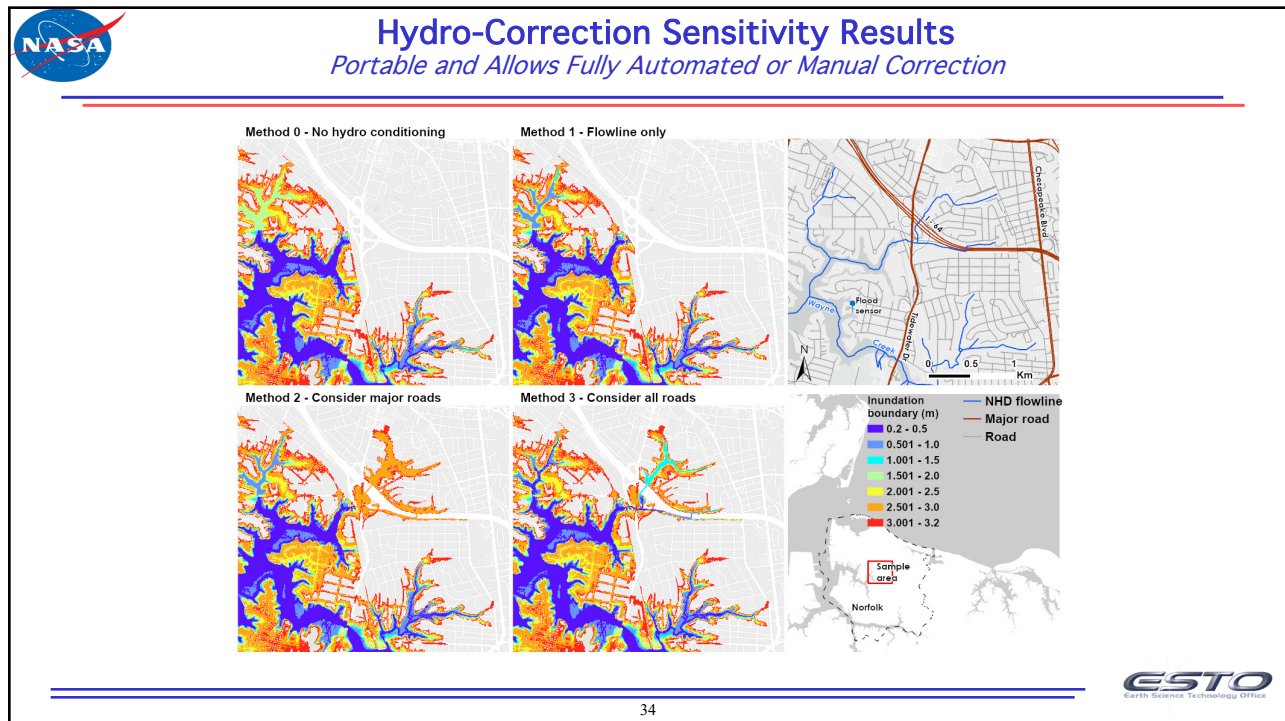
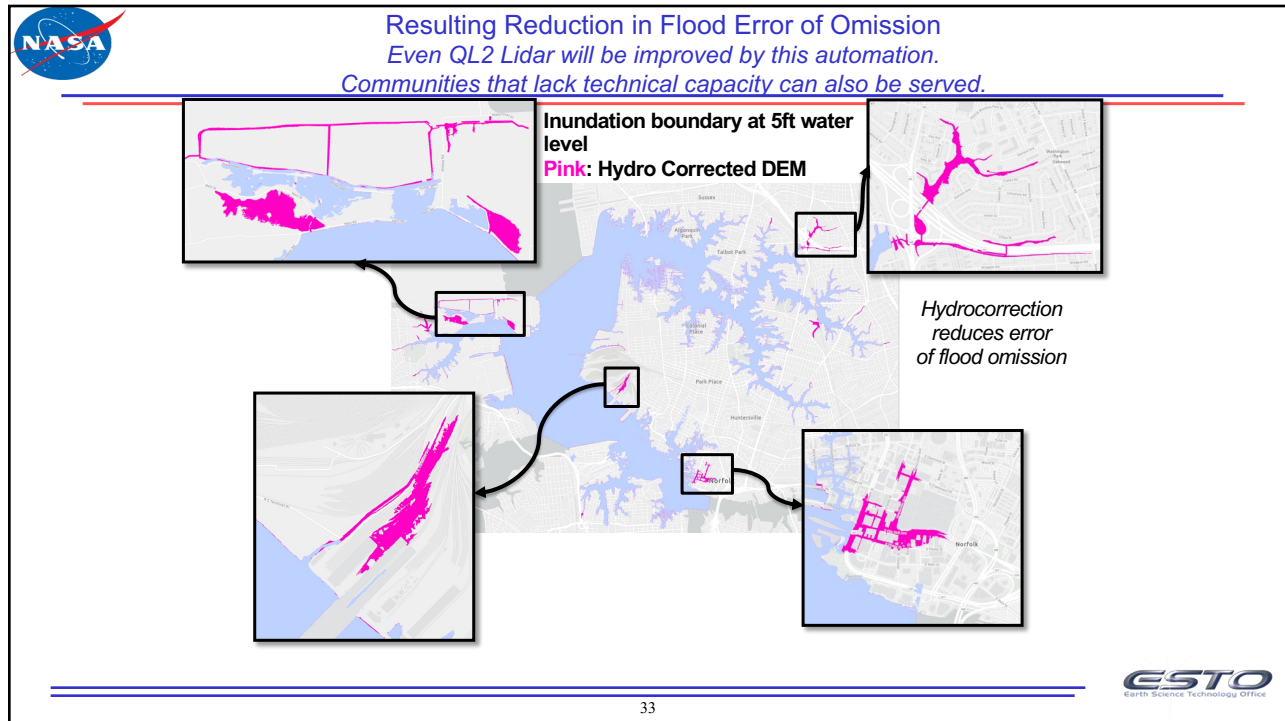


## Flooding as a Compound Hazard

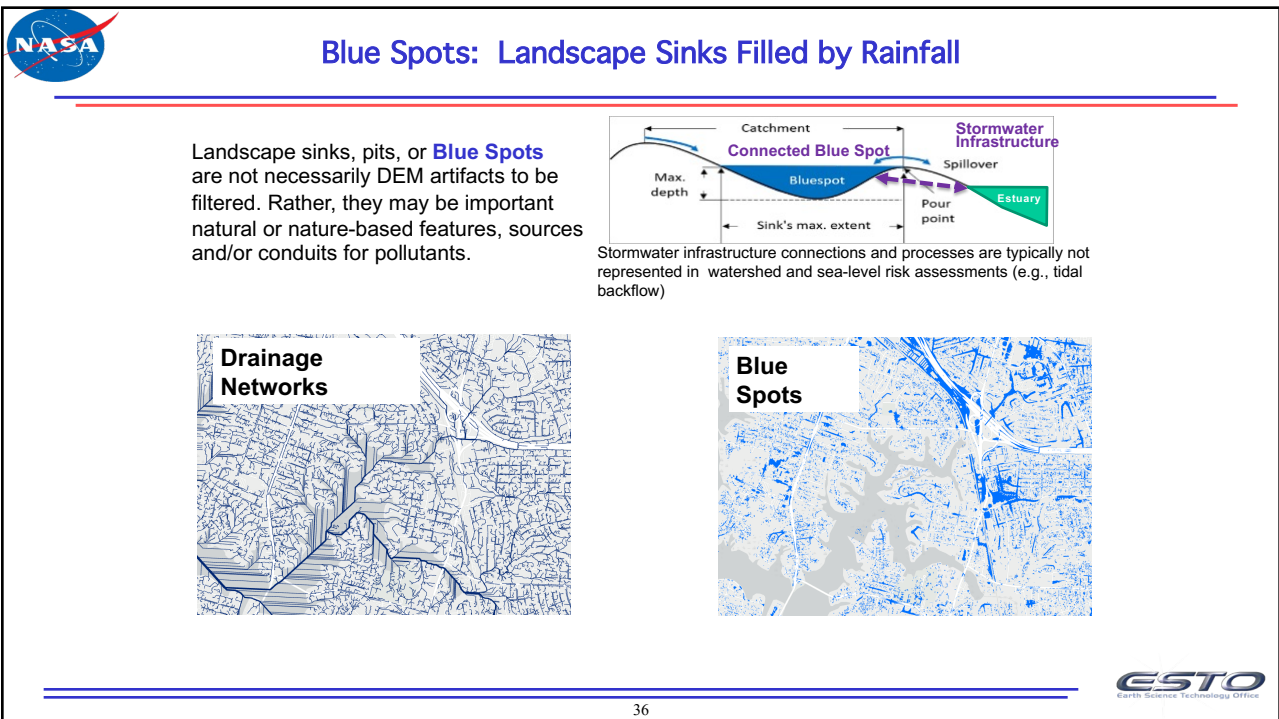
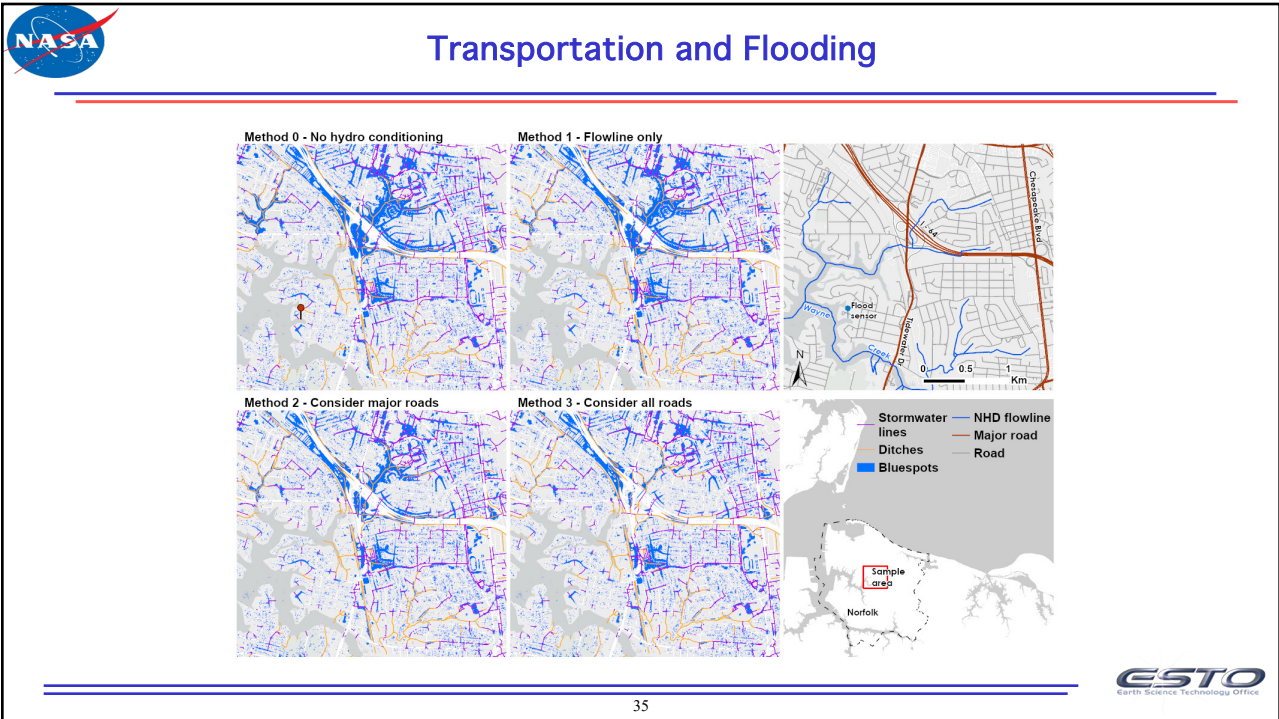
- Two or more flooding sources occur simultaneously or in a short period of time
- Tides
- Wind Tides
- King Tides
- Coastal Storm Surge:
- Pre-Cursor Rainfall Event
- Sea-Level Rise
- Subsidence







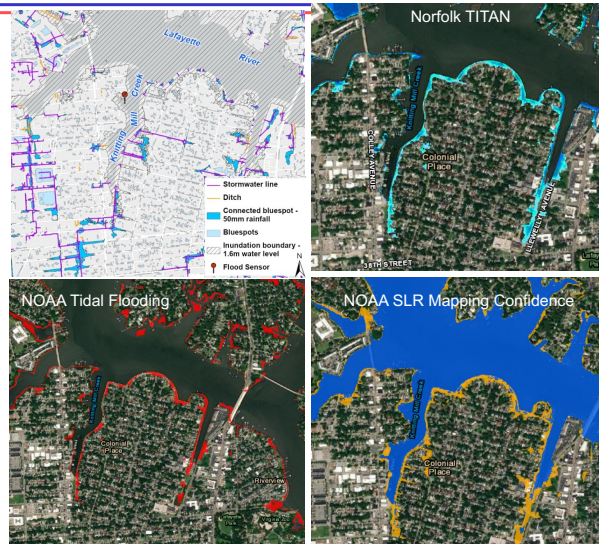






## Comparison of Blue Spot Analysis versus Uncertain SLR and Tidal Inundation

- Comparison of hydro-corrected DEM *BlueSpots* to 1.6 m water level with a 50mm rainfall event
- Enhances connections
- Norfolk TITAN
- NOAA SLR Viewer
  - High Tide Flooding
  - Mapping Confidence
- Next, determine the significance for community EEJ and human health impact



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## Plan Forward: Hydrodynamic Modeling

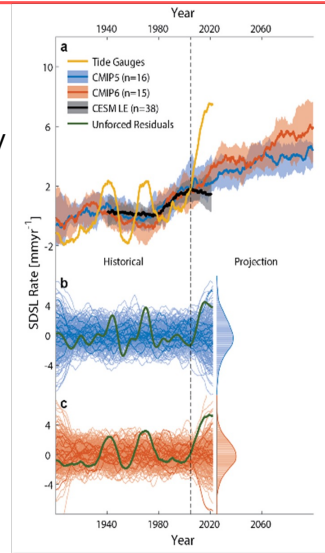
- Simulations of compound flooding from rainfall and storm surge in final parameterization phase
- Finalizing workflow for grid edits (hydro-corrections and bathymetry)
- Incorporating sea level rise scenarios in next phase
- Initiated parameter updates protocols
  - IOT-StormSense-datacube ↔ ODU cluster DELFT3D
  - SLRise forcing
  - Scenarios for Emergency Mgt., NWS, and Health sector next

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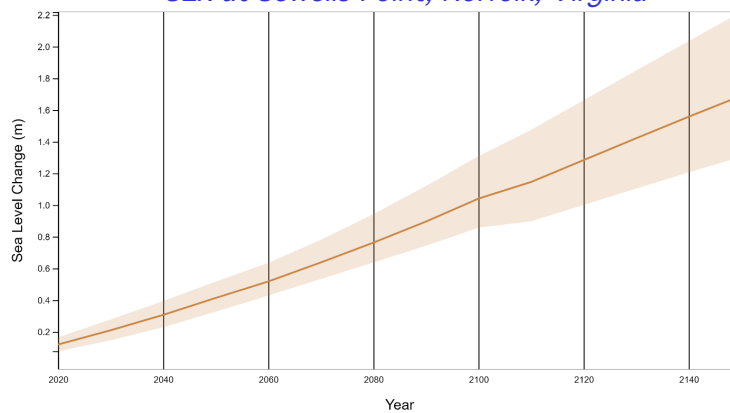
## Sea-Level Science Advances

- Accelerating sea-level along the U.S. East Coast has been detected
- Large uncertainty projections owing to future emissions and ice-sheet sensitivity must be reduced.
- We identify accelerations to distinguish between forced sea level and natural variability in Norfolk.
- We approach this using CMIP5, CMIP6, and large ensembles.
- These results will parameterize the flood modeling for future scenarios and prototype demo (yr 3)



## Sea Level Rise Attribution and Uncertainty Analysis

### SLR at Sewells Point, Norfolk, Virginia



A medium-high scenario of no new major climate policy will realize 1m of relative sea level in Hampton Roads likely before 2100

SSP3-7.0 scenario with 1994-2014 baseline

NASA Sea Level Projection Tool

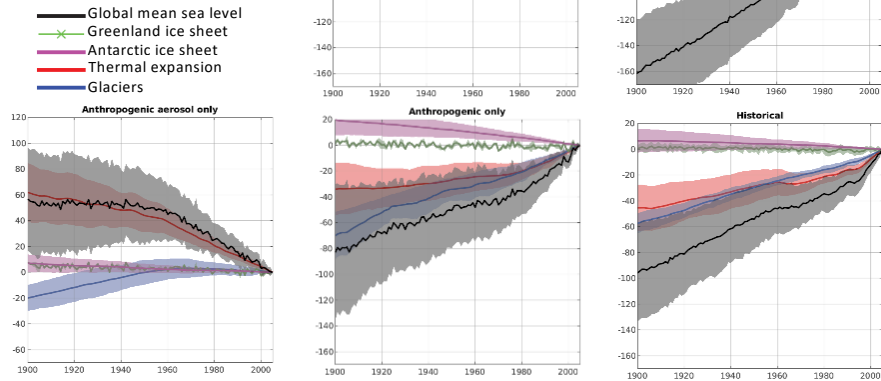
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## More detail on SLR attribution and scenarios

- Global mean sea level components in CMIP5 and their attribution to forcings, 1900–2005



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## Current State- GeoHealth

- Prioritizing datacube and GIS data for the hub
- Finalizing stakeholders for scenario prototype development
- Acquiring inputs for population and flood exposure impact models
  - NASA-USGS-NOAA LULC datasets
  - VA parcels and building footprint planimetrics
  - HRPDC and HRTPO transportation GIS and plans
- Evaluating future socio-demographic scenario data
  - EPA ICLUS
  - USGS ForeSite
  - FUTURES Urban Growth Model

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## GeoHealth Hub Data

- Added **LIFE Project: Location Intelligence for Food Equity** on health, wellness and food accessibility sources and needs.
- Added hydro-corrected DEMs for Norfolk (finishing AOI-wide models)
- Added other priority static layers
  - Underground Storage Tanks and facilities (USTs)
  - Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) layers
  - USDA, Census, and CDC social vulnerability indices
  - Air Quality Sensors



## Ongoing Hub and DataCube GeoData

- Inventory and prioritized 88 geospatial datasets
- Refine detailed wireframes after stakeholder reviews
- Moving to Tier 2 data July-August with HRBRC

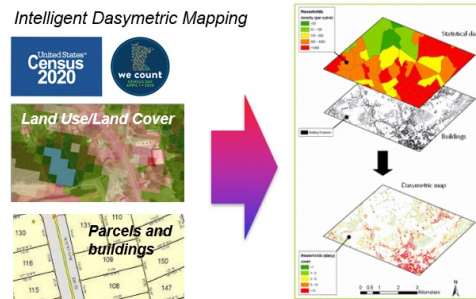
Category	AIST-Priority	Name	Address / Location	Level/WRT Individual	Level/WRT GIS	Spatial Restrictions
Environment	1	LEBAR NOAA Data (hydroconditioned)	<a href="https://data.noaa.gov/datasetcatalog/">https://data.noaa.gov/datasetcatalog/</a>	Distribution / Amount of Greenspace within an AOI	Lat, Lon, GML Blob	None
Environment	1	FEMA Flood Zones	<a href="https://www.fema.gov/national-flood">https://www.fema.gov/national-flood</a>	Flood Zones	Lat, Lon, GML Blob	None
Environment	1	EPA Enviro Atlas	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/enviroatlas/">https://www.epa.gov/enviroatlas/</a>	Wide array of source threats and social exposure	GIS, web	None
Health	1	Food Desert Locations - Location of Grocery Stores, Restaurants, Delivery	City of Norfolk Internal Data	Location of Businesses	GIS - Shape File	????
Health	1	HRBRC LIFE Project food assets, needs, GIS datasets	<a href="https://www.hrbrc.org/">https://www.hrbrc.org/</a>			
Social	1	Census 2020 in East Living Atlas, multilayer	<a href="https://www.census.gov/geo/maps/data/data.html">https://www.census.gov/geo/maps/data/data.html</a>			
Social	1	Public Housing	City of Norfolk, Census Data	GIS - Shapefile	GIS - shape file	None
Social	1	CDC Social Vulnerability Index (SVI)	CDC	GIS - Shapefile, web, and East Living Atlas	GIS	None
Social	1	'Cutoff' areas / Walkability (TO BE created)	City ?????	GIS - Shapefile	????	Spatial Analysis Layer
Transport	1	GIS Network Data for Region ADJ				
Environment/Health	2	VDEI evaluation (see/View 'Use Zone ABCDE				
Environment	2	Environmental permits/Violations TR, Hazardous Waste, Air Quality permits	EPA, VA Dept Env Quality, OSHA, City of Norfolk, Hampton River Location of Entities, modeled discharge region		GIS - point source, shapefile, classified rem	None
Health	2	Distance From Home to Primary Care, ER, Pharmacy (TED, Euclidean and to State Health Dept) / City (may be difficult to determine Distance per group / Individual				(may be difficult to determine aggregation to ????)
Health	2	Ambulance Stop points or service areas and drive-times				
Health	2	2021 Food Insecurity Index - Conduant Healthy Communities Institute	<a href="http://www.healthycommunities.org/index.php?module=main&amp;index=Index">http://www.healthycommunities.org/index.php?module=main&amp;index=Index</a>			Census tract
Social	2	VA Facets and big footprints (possibly also Microsurf)				
Social	2	ASPT vs BRIC or other social vulnerability indices				
Social/Economic	2	Justicemap	<a href="http://www.justicemap.org/">http://www.justicemap.org/</a>			
Environment	3	Toxic Waste Levels	EPA / Virginia State Office	Waste Level for a specified location	????	????
Social	3	Virginia Crime Data	<a href="https://www.vicrims.gov/Crime_in_Virginia.htm">https://www.vicrims.gov/Crime_in_Virginia.htm</a>	Total # of Individuals	County	None
Social	3	Norfolk City Crime Open Data	<a href="https://data.norfolk.gov/">data.norfolk.gov</a>	Total Police Calls By Type	City Block	None
Social	3	Vacant Housing	Census, City of Norfolk	Location	GIS - shape file	None
Social	3	Homeless Shelters	City of Norfolk, Municipal, Google	Location	GIS - shape file	None
Environment	4	Air Quality	EPA / Virginia State Office	Air Quality for a specific location	????	????
Health		Hospital Data (Sentra, Bon Secours, CHD, USMC, Military Hospital)	????	Individual (Sanitized) EMR	Sanitized Address	None
Baseemap		Community Features (roads, schools, hospitals, churches, residential areas, etc)	ESRI, Census, City/State	Location of Entities	GIS - Shapefiles/Layers	None
Baseemap		Natural Areas ( Parks, Preserves, W/BBN Areas, etc.)	ESRI, Remote Sensing (Landsat), USGS, park service, etc	Location of Entities	GIS - Shapefiles, Layers, Classified Remote	None
Baseemap		Agricultural Areas	ESRI, Remote Sensing (Landsat), USGS, park service, etc	Location of Entities	GIS - Shapefiles, Layers, Classified Remote	None
Economic		Norfolk City Parcel Open Data	<a href="https://data.norfolk.gov/">data.norfolk.gov</a>	Indication of type of permit was applied for / by address	None	None
Economic		ERSI Community Spending Data	<a href="https://www.ersri.com/en-us/articles/products/ersri-community-spending">https://www.ersri.com/en-us/articles/products/ersri-community-spending</a>	Community Spending	Census blocks	ERSI License
Economic		Real Estate Information (Transactions, Property values, Property taxes, etc)	<a href="http://local.government.cityofnorfolk.gov/">http://local.government.cityofnorfolk.gov/</a>	Address, GIS - Shapefile	GIS - geocoded Address	None
Economic		City of Norfolk Business Licenses	<a href="https://data.norfolk.gov/">data.norfolk.gov</a>	Indication of if the business is minority / women (Lat, Lon)	None	None
Economic		Insurance	State Level / State Health Dept / City (may be difficult to determine)	Total / Percentage of Individuals	(may be difficult to determine aggregation to ????)	None
Economic		Business Activity/Trends	City, State Business Filings, Tax Data	Licenses, Tax Returns	GIS - Geocoded Address (point and/or shape)	None
Economic		Employment/Unemployment	Tax Filings, Unemployment filings	Rates	GIS - shape file	None
Economic		Home ownership	Census, City of Norfolk	Location / Ratio	GIS - shapefile with data tables	None
Environment		Green Space Locations	<a href="https://data.norfolk.gov/">data.norfolk.gov</a> / GIS	Total / Type of Green Space	GPW maps to Lat, Lon, Shape file	None
Environment		NDVI Greenness	<a href="https://www.fishbase.org/data-maps-tools/ndbc-greenness">https://www.fishbase.org/data-maps-tools/ndbc-greenness</a>	Distribution / Amount of Greenspace within an AOI	Lat, Lon, GML Blob	None
Environment		City of Norfolk Flooding data	<a href="https://data.norfolk.gov/">data.norfolk.gov</a>	Reported Flooding	GIS - shape file	None
Environment		HAZE - Flooding	HAZE API	Reported Flooding Locations	Lat, Lon	None





## Plan Forward - GeoHealth

- Implement population exposure and vulnerability model
  - Future demographic and land use data integration
  - Hub and datacube interconnection
  - Codeshare via GIT
  - Community accessibility metrics
- Share hub site with stakeholders and wireframe the scenario and prototype exercise
- Identify outreach and sharing communication plans
  - GeoHealth Community of Practice



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## Summary Actual or Potential Infusions

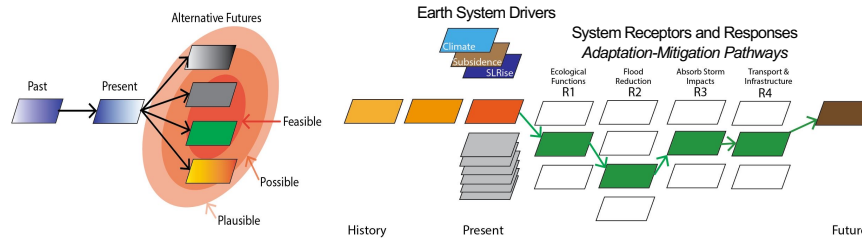
- Infusions:
  - Adoption of ODC and Hub technology by HRSD, HRPDC, and NWS Wakefield, VDEM, Norfolk and other Em. Mgt.
- Knowledge transfer:
  - Sharing with peers and stakeholders (Coastal GeoTools, AGU, AWS, VA and topical conferences and journals)
  - Developing guide and training materials; educational materials for ODU data science, ocean-earth science, geography and coastal engineering and emergency mgt.
- Technology transfer:
  - Public open-source software and utilities via Git and Esri Hub
- Transition:
  - Replication and application to other Digital Twin systems
    - Coastal transportation
    - Public health
    - Ocean energy and ecosystems

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## Enabling What-If Scenarios

We can imagine future states.....and model alternative plans and future conditions to Identify resilience adaptation pathways.



- Future sea-level rise and coastal flooding
  - Impact assessment
  - Mitigation and adaptation
  - Equity and environmental justice

After Steinitz (2012) *A Framework for Geodesign: Changing Geography by Design*



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## Actual and Potential Collaborations

- **Actual**
  - NASA, NOAA NESDIS, USGS VA Water Center
  - National Weather Service- Wakefield, VDEM Flood Program
  - Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, HR Sanitation District, HR Biomedical Research Consortium
  - VIMS, EVMS, GeoHealth Community of Practice
  - NISAR Early Adopter Program and NASA SWOT, OPERA, VT VLM
- **Potential**
  - Other coastal-marine Digital Twin initiatives (CNES, MARI Ireland)
  - NOAA CoastWatch Chesapeake Bay and CEOS Ches. Bay
  - DOE Jefferson Natl. Lab
  - Cooperative Institute for Climate and Earth System Studies (CICEES)
  - UNC (RENCI/NC-CERA ADCIRC), Georgia Tech (Savannah), and The Citadel and Coll. of Charleston (IOT flood sensor networks and model domains)

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## Summary

- Full steam ahead modeling, DataCube and hub implementation
- DataCube repositories being stocked.
- Leaning into geohealth, population impact, and scenario modeling next quarter
- SLR scenarios and probabilistic forecasts in preparation for future flood modeling
- Hydrodynamic model-IOT-EO integration is initiating
- Gathering insights and awareness of related DTs, interest in cloud-based registries, and open data sharing and collaboration
- Emerging collaborations within NASA and with CNES, VIMS, and NOAA

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## List of Acronyms

• ASV	Autonomous Surface Vessel
• AWS	Amazon Web Services
• CMIP	Coupled Model Intercomparison Project
• DEM	Digital Elevation Model
• DSWx	Dynamic Surface Water Extent
• DT	Digital Twin
• ESRI	Esri.com
• EVMS	Eastern Virginia Medical School
• HRBRC	Hampton Roads Biomedical Research Consortium
• HRPDC	Hampton Roads Planning District Commission
• HRSD	Hampton Roads Sanitation District
• JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
• NC-CERA	North Carolina Coastal Emergency Risk Atlas
• NHD	National Hydrologic Dataset
• NWM	National Water Model
• NISAR	NASA-ISRO SAR Mission (Synthetic Aperture Radar)
• NOAA	National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration
• ODC	Open Data Cube
• OPERA	Observational Products for End-Users from Remote Sensing
• RENCI	Renaissance Computing Institute (UNC)
• SCHISM	Semi-Implicit Cross-Scale Hydrosience Integrated System Model
• STAC	Spatial-Temporal Asset Catalog
• STOFS	Storm Surge & Tide Operational Forecast
• SWOT	Surface Water and Ocean Topography
• UAV	Uncrewed Aerial Vehicle
• UNC	University of North Carolina
• USGS	United States Geological Survey
• VIMS	Virginia Institute of Marine Science





## Open Data Cube Resources

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PostgreSQL 10+

Python 3.8+

**STAC**

<https://stacspec.org/en/>

**ODC STAC**

[https://docs.digitalearthfrance.org/en/latest/platform\\_tools/odc\\_stac.html#Set-AWS-Configuration](https://docs.digitalearthfrance.org/en/latest/platform_tools/odc_stac.html#Set-AWS-Configuration)

**ODC Core Concepts**

<https://datacube-core.readthedocs.io/en/latest/about-core-concepts/index.html>

**ODC Core Architecture**

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**Products and Measurements**

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**ODC FAQ**

<https://www.opendatacube.org/faq>

**DEA Tools Package**

<https://docs.dea.ga.gov.au/notebooks/Tools/index.html>








# An Analytic Collaborative Framework for the ESO

Arlindo da Silva (PI, NASA/GSFC Code 610.1)  
Ben Poulter (Co-I, NASA/GSFC Code 610.1)


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(see slide X for Full Team)

## Proposal Team

Name	Org	Code	Role	Team Member Responsibility
Arlindo da Silva	GSFC	610.1	PI	Overall project management; Nature Runs and Ob. Systems simulations
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Reed Espinosa	GSFC	613	Co-I	Lead GRASP lidar/polarimeter retrievals, retrieval assessment demo
(Melanie Follette-Cook)	GSFC	612	Co-I	Coordination of applied science engagement activities
Fei Liu	GSFC	614		Year 1: tobac for aerosol plumes
David Thompson	JPL	-	Co-I	ISOFIT deployment and SBG retrieval algorithms
Derek Posselt	JPL	-	Co-I	ParOSSE deployment and simulation of radar/radiometer measurements
Weile Wang	ARC	-	Co-I	Development and production of Ames surface reflectance dataset
Bryce Currey	GSFC	618	PostDoc	Land-surface Nature Run generation (LPJ, PROSAIL)
Ravi Govindaraju	GSFC	610.1	Supp	Scripting support, dataset sampling, jobs execution
Garrison Vaughan	GSFC/GST	606.2	Supp	Nature Run generation, deployment/optim. of complex HEC applications (Shared with Clune)
Johana Chazaro Cortes	GSFC/NAV TECA	606.2	Supp	Deployment of the SMCE environment on AWS and its maintenance. Cloud Optimized Dataset Development of Jupyter notebooks for algo. workbench, demo activities



## An Analytic Collaborative Framework for the ESO

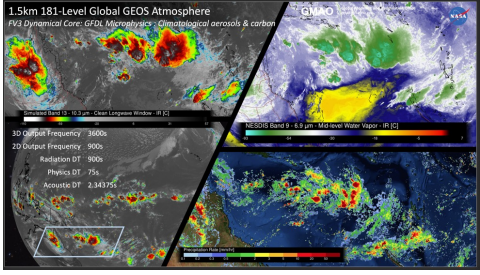
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**Objectives**

Develop integrated Earth science frameworks that mirror the earth by a proxy digital construct including high resolution earth system models and synthetic measurements with an integrated set of analytic tools to enable the start of next generation of science discoveries and evidence-based decision making well before launch.

Provide a science-based, realistic environment for agile development of mission algorithms and data products. Technologies include global cloud resolving models, synthetic surface reflectances, observation simulators, retrieval systems, and a collaborative cyberinfrastructure enabled by Jupyter notebooks on a cloud environment.



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**Approach**

Consists of 3 interconnected building blocks:


1. Cloud-optimized representative datasets for ESO missions and the PoR to serve as basis for developing and prototyping an Analytic Collaborative Framework
2. An algorithm workbench for enabling experimentation and exploration of single instrument and synergistic algorithms
3. A series of concrete Open Science demonstrations including use cases that span science discovery and end-user applications with direct societal impact.

**Co-Is:** B. Poulter, A. Shiklomanov, P. Castellanos, R. Espinosa, M. Follette-Cook (MSU), D. Thompson, D. Posselt (JPL), W. Wang (ARC)

**Key Milestones**


• Project Starts	08/22
• Requirements, architecture, design	12/22
• Nature Run Generation	02/23
• Level B & C simulations	10/23
• Algorithm Workbench prototype	02/24
• Science & App Demos	07/24

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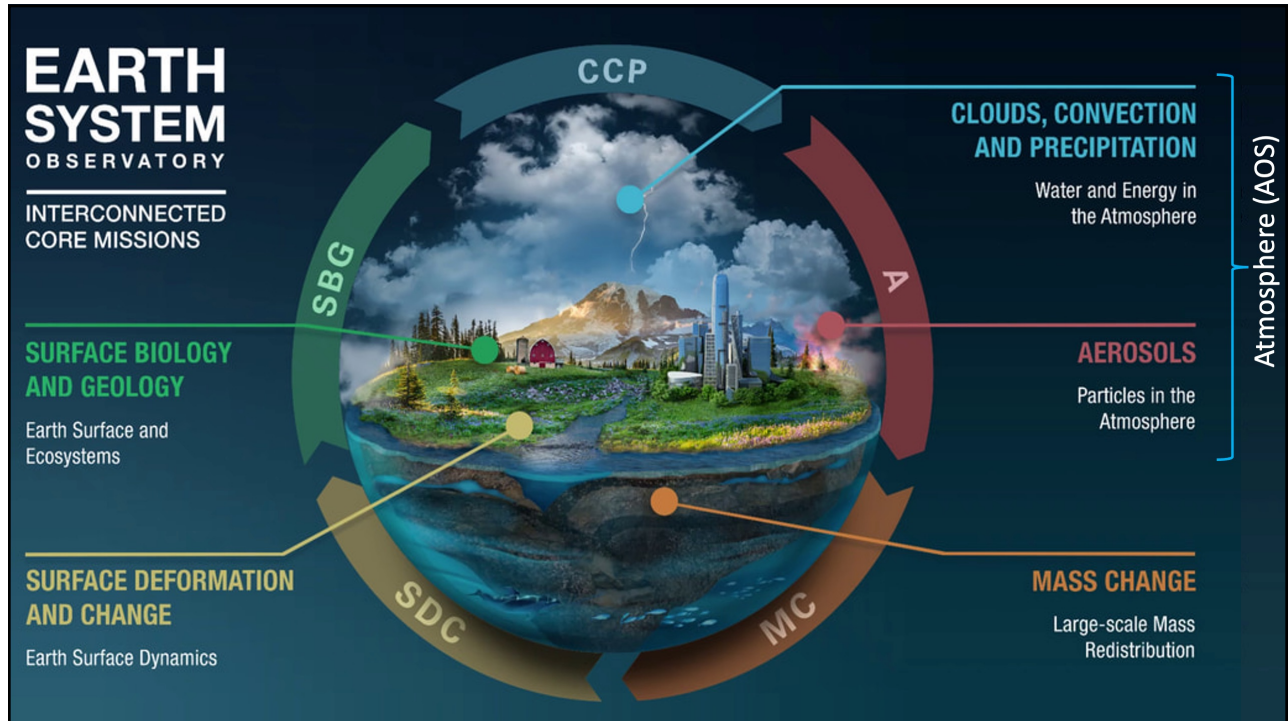
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# Project Objectives



### Science and Technology Objectives

- Use Cloud-optimized representative datasets for the ESO missions and the PoR for prototyping an *Analytic Collaborative Framework*
- An *Algorithm Workbench* for enabling experimentation and exploration of synergistic algorithms involving the AOS, SBG and the PoR
- Science demonstrations: use of synthetic data to demonstrate capability of new observing system
  - SBG atmospheric correction
  - Evaluate lidar-polarimeter retrievals
  - Explore synergistic algorithms

### Application Objectives

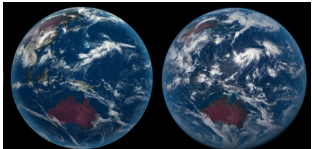
- Concrete Open-source Science demonstrations including use cases that span science discovery and end user applications with direct societal impact.
  - Tracking of PyroCbs
  - Solar energy application
  - Bio-diversity application


### Benefits to Earth Science

- Bridges the gap between advanced earth system modeling and realistic simulation of future observing systems
- Early development of new concepts in model-data fusion enabling science investigations aimed at elucidating physical processes and their representation in models.


### Relationship to ES Digital Twins

- Develops a **Digital Replica** of the future ESO observing system based on realistic, high-resolution Earth system model simulations
- Provide a framework for observing system simulations and tools to conduct *what-if* investigations and trade studies for the benefit of NASA missions in development.

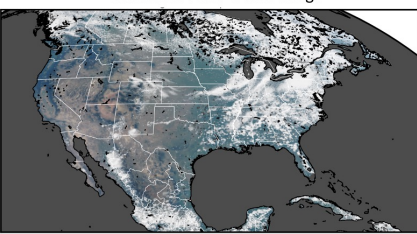




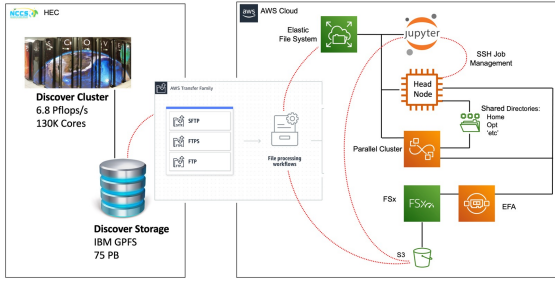
# Technology Approach




- Based on a global storm resolving GEOS Nature Run, simulate the AOS observing system
- Simulate SBG reflectances at TOA
  - Synthetic surface reflectances
    - Ames MODIS-based spectral filling
    - LPJ/PROSAIL model
  - Storm resolving atmosphere with 20 aerosols
- Implement an Algorithm Workbench on AWS for developing testing and evaluating AOS, SBG and synergistic AOS+SBG retrievals
  - Uncertainty quantification
- Open-source Science demonstrations by exploring advanced data analysis and easy access to cloud-optimized (simulated) datasets.
  - Explore use of IceSat2 Slide-rule framework




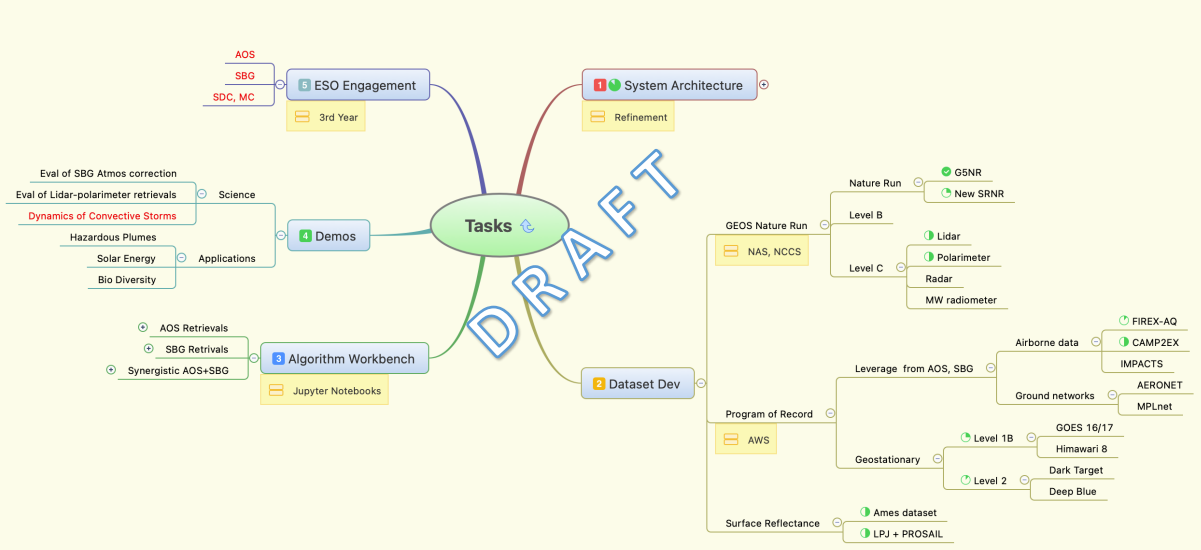
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# Technology Approach






**Tasks**


- 1 ESO Engagement (3rd Year)
  - AOS
  - SBG
  - SDC, MC
- 2 System Architecture (Refinement)
- 3 Dataset Dev
  - GEOS Nature Run (NAS, NCCS)
    - Nature Run: G5NR, New SRNR
    - Level B: Lidar, Polarimeter, Radar, MW radiometer
    - Level C: Radar, MW radiometer
  - Program of Record (AWS)
    - Leverage from AOS, SBG: Airborne data (FIREX-AQ, CAMP2EX, IMPACTS), Ground networks (AERONET, MPLnet)
    - Geostationary: Level 1B (GOES 16/17, Himawari 8), Level 2 (Dark Target, Deep Blue)
  - Surface Reflectance: Ames dataset, LPJ + PROSAIL
- 4 Demos
  - Science: Eval of SBG Atmos correction, Eval of Lidar-polarimeter retrievals, Dynamics of Convective Storms
  - Applications: Hazardous Plumes, Solar Energy, Bio Diversity
- 5 Algorithm Workbench (Jupyter Notebooks)
  - AOS Retrievals
  - SBG Retrievals
  - Synergistic AOS+SBG




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# LPJ-PROSAIL



**Driver Inputs**

- Gridded Annual CO<sub>2</sub>
- Gridded Soil texture
- Gridded Climate Data
- Gridded Latitude and Longitude

50km<sup>2</sup> grid cell

**f(Latitude, TOD)**

- Solar Zenith Angle
- Relative Azimuth Angle
- SKYL

**Abiotic processes**

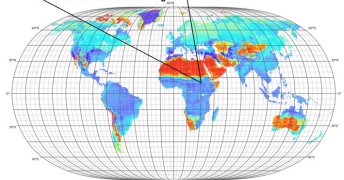
- Soil hydrology
- Thermodynamics
- Fire

**Biotic processes**

- Plant Functional Types
- photosynthesis and respiration
- establishment, growth, mortality
- competition
- Heterotrophic Respiration
- litter and soil dynamics

— Daily step —  
— Annual step —

Sun-Observer Zenith Angle



**4SAIL Inputs**

- Leaf area index
- Soil reflectance
- Hot spot parameter
- Leaf angle distribution

**PROSPECT Inputs**


- Leaf structure (n\_layer)
- Chlorophyll a + b (Cab)
- Carotenoids (Car)
- Brown pigment (Cbrown)
- Equivalent water thickness (Cw)
- Dry matter (Cm)

- Simulates global dynamic surface reflectance data for spaceborne imaging spectroscopy missions.
- Dynamic global vegetation model, *LPJ* + canopy radiative transfer model, *PRO4SAIL*.
- Gridded input variables drive process-based vegetation dynamics of 10 plant functional types and downstream biogeochemical and hydrological cycling.
  - Atmospheric Inputs: CRU, MERRA-2 or km-scale Nature Run (in progress)
  - HWSD or USDA global soils
  - CO<sub>2</sub>
  - LUH v2 land use change data
- Variables cross-walked between LPJ and PROSAIL (green in the diagram) to estimate globally-gridded, top-of-canopy reflectance data at the same time step as LPJ.
- Reflectance (Level C) data products:
  - Globally-gridded top-of-canopy reflectances for 1980-2021.
  - Daily or monthly time step
  - 0.5° globally gridded
  - 400-2500nm @ 10nm


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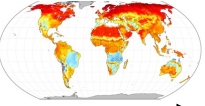




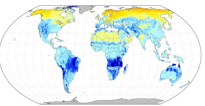
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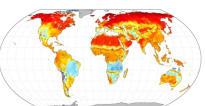
**1. Simulated Sfc Reflectance**



**2. Estimated TOA Radiances**

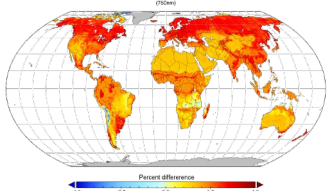


**3. Retrieved Sfc Reflectance**



- LPJ-PROSAIL linked with ISOFIT (Imaging Spectrometer Optimal Fitting) Optimal Estimation (OE) technique
  - **Standard:** Uses MODTRAN RTM and an instrument model + atmospheric AOD and H<sub>2</sub>O data (currently from MERRA2) to estimate TOA radiances (forward mode) and retrieved reflectances (inverse mode).
  - **Innovation:** use detailed aerosol state from NR and vector RT to calculate TOA radiances
  - Globally gridded TOA radiance data products w/ same specifications as surface reflectance data products (0.5° gridded, 400-2500 nm, 10nm intervals, daily/monthly).
- LPJ-PROSAIL can also produce TOA radiances for each functional type


**4. Comparison: retrieved/simulated**




This OSSE capability provides end-to-end modeling support and uncertainty quantification for SBG with known traceability, controlled environment and instrument parameterization.

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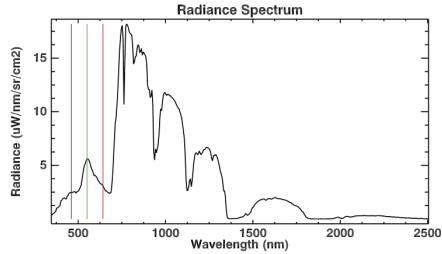
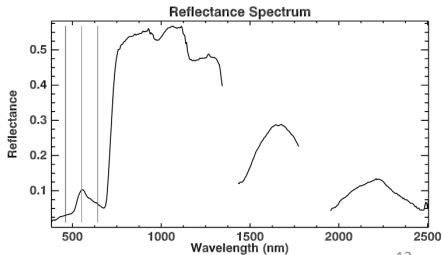
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# ISOFIT




- ISOFIT is a codebase for manipulating and inverting radiative transfer models for VSWIR imaging spectrometers.
- Most commonly, it is used to solve the **atmospheric correction problem** – inverting the radiance at sensor to estimate the surface reflectance and atmospheric state.
- Forward models supported include MODTRAN and neural network emulators
- Inversion approaches include Bayesian Optimal Estimation
- ISOFIT is currently in operational use for the EMIT imaging spectrometer mission and the candidate approach being prototyped for SBG.





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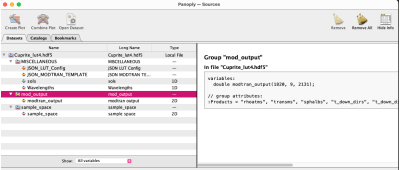
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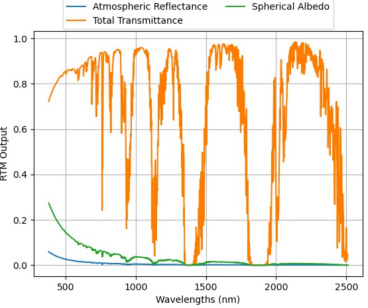


# ISOFIT Advancements




- ISOFIT has been integrated into the DISCOVER system
- We have run comprehensive radiative transfer simulations to encompass diverse global atmospheric conditions, and delivered these lookup tables to the team
- We have developed a new hierarchical (HDF5) file format for radiative transfer lookup tables to enable their use in cloud environments, and are testing it with the existing retrieval code. Advantages:
  - Efficiency and Compactness: The new HDF5 file format reduces space usage significantly, achieving at least 50% size reduction compared to the original file format.
  - Hierarchical Structure: Our approach provides a convenient and organized hierarchical structure, housing both the inputs into the RTM and processed outputs, ready for use.
  - Standardization Across RTMs: The HDF5 format is RTM agnostic, enabling seamless integration with multiple Radiative Transfer Models, such as MODTRAN, 6S, and others.
  - Metadata Inclusion: Our format encapsulates comprehensive metadata, including sample space ranges, RTM configuration input, the wavelength grid, and more.
  - Flexibility and Variety: The new format has the versatility to accommodate diverse atmospheric coefficients, including standard and multipart transmittance.






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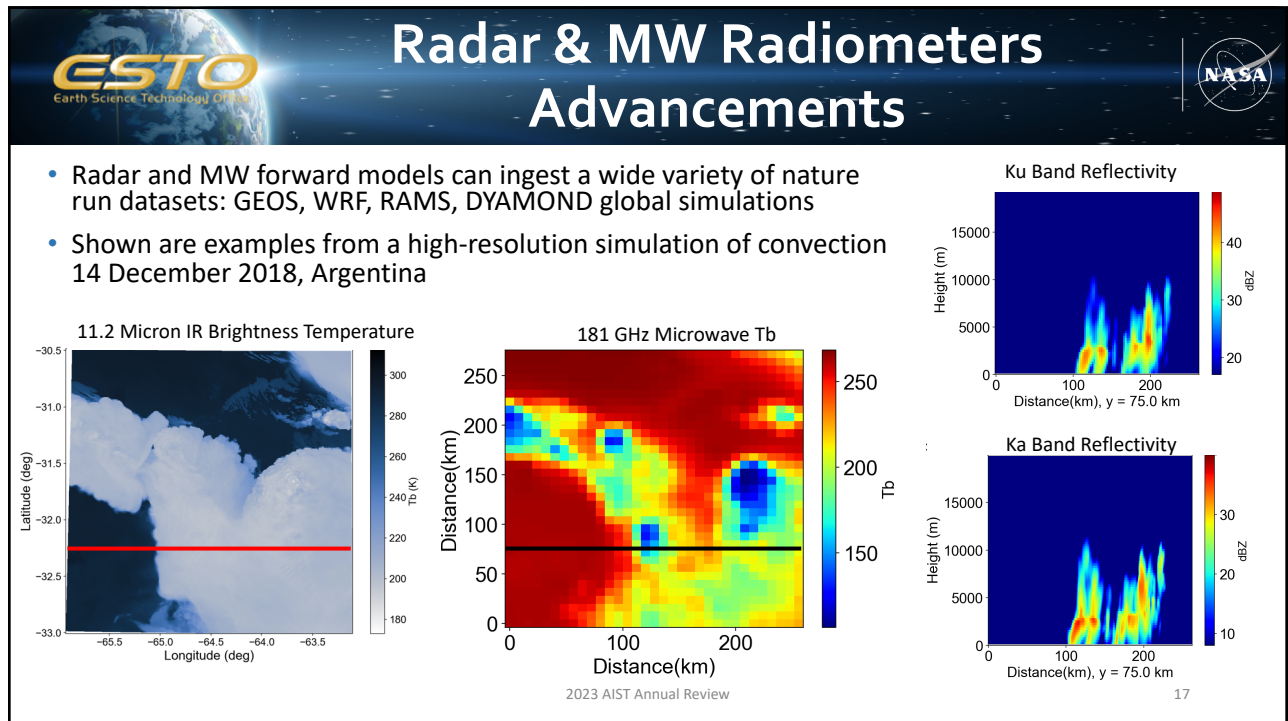
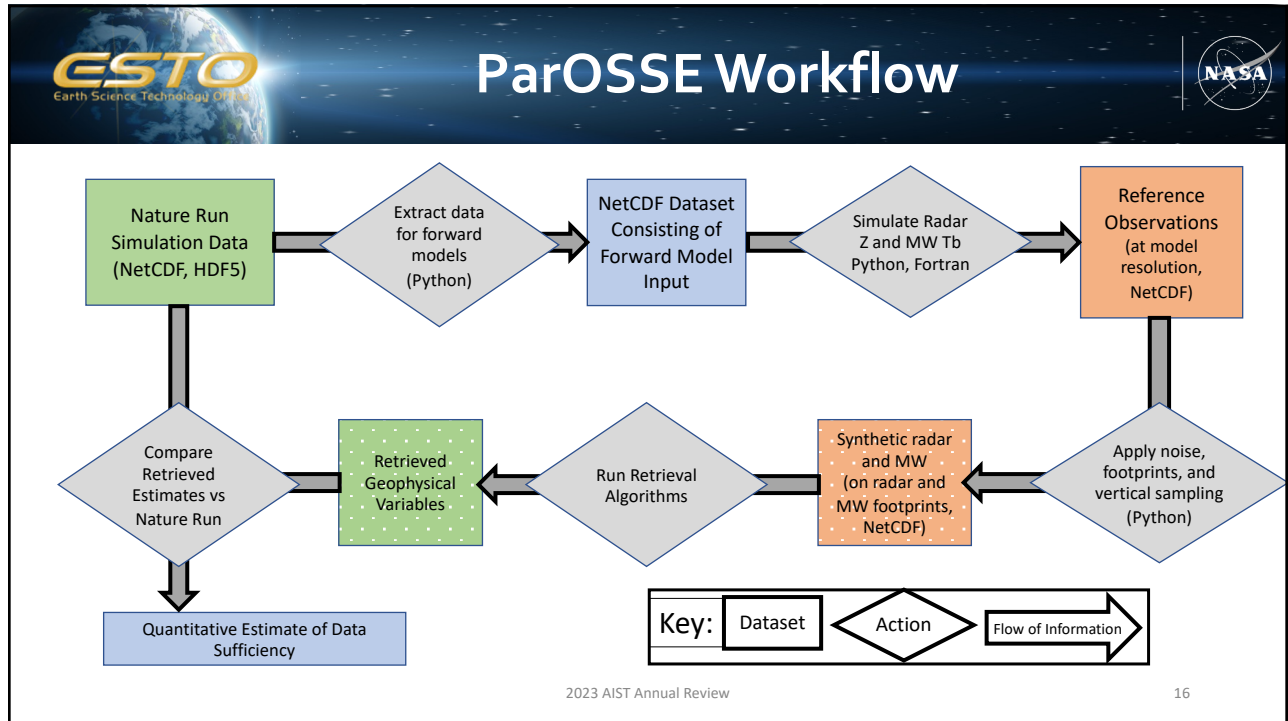



# ParOSSE




- ParOSSE has 2 components
  - ParMAP flexible parallelism: fast execution on laptop, workstation, cluster, and cloud
  - Experiment curation: managing an end-to-end workflow
- Simulators within ParOSSE have 2 parts
  - Radiative transfer: Convert nature run output to passive or active MW
  - Instrument model: Convert full resolution noise-free dBZ or Tb into noisy and blurry instrument-specific measurements
- Radar and MW simulators
  - Frequency range from 6 to 800 GHz
  - Fast and accurate absorption by gases and hydrometeors, and hydrometeor scattering
  - Well tested on Ku, Ka, and W-band radar, and on 87 – 181 GHz microwave.

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# GEOS Instrument Simulator



**GEOS Nature Run Gridded Atmospheric Profile Properties:**

- Aerosols (5 species)
- T, P, Winds

**Gridded Land & Ocean Properties:**

- Water leaving radiance
- Land surface reflectance kernels

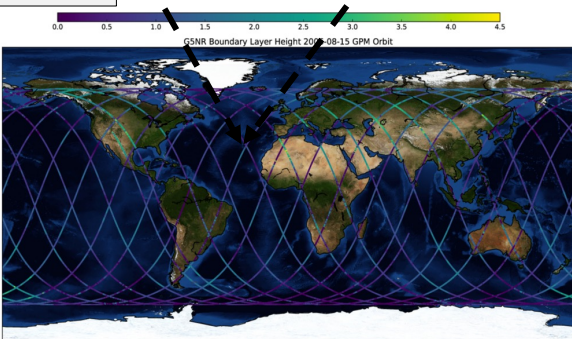
**Instrument Field of View**  
1 second sampling

- Sun-sensor geometry
- Spectral aerosol optical property profiles ( $\tau_{aer}$ ,  $W_{aer}$ ,  $P_{aer}$ )
- Spectral trace gas optical properties ( $\tau_{Rayleigh}$ ,  $\tau_{abs}$ ,  $P_{Rayleigh}$ )
- Spectral surface reflectance (glint, glitter)

**Instrument Observables [Satellite L1b]**

- **Lidar:** Attenuated backscatter profiles
- **Polarimeter:** Polarized TOA radiance ( $I$ ,  $Q$ ,  $U$ )


VLIDORT



- Simulates instrument observables for lidars and polarimeters
- VLIDORT radiative transfer model implemented on high performance computing environment
- Gridded atmospheric input variables from GEOS Nature Runs
- Gridded land and ocean properties from MODIS
  - Will be adapted to use LPJ-PRO4SAIL simulations
- Level C data products:
  - Top of the atmosphere spectral  $I$ ,  $Q$ , &  $U$
  - Vertical profiles of aerosol attenuated backscatter
  - Global orbits of instrument field of view
  - 1-second time step

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## Current State - Highlights




- Refined SW requirements and scope of activities
- Established AWS environment using SMCE DaskHub and pcluster
  - Working with SMCE maintainers toward better integration of SMCE and pcluster environment
- Decided on GitHub and GitHub flow for software configuration management; still working through licensing framework
  - Ideally would like to use same *system* framework as we have adopted for the GEOS Earth System Model
- Started PoR dataset acquisition
  - GOES data from MODAPS, Himawari Data from NOAA S3 buckets
  - Merged airborne data from CAMP2EX for all flights
- Cloud optimized dataset strategy: avoid conversion to zarr, work with existing netCDF
  - Use [Kerchunk](#) as performance benchmark for S3 data
  - Exploring strategies for optimized range gets within the NetCDF API: H5Coro as a NetCDF plugin
- Multi-year simulation of LPJ/PROSAIL at 50 km resolution completed
- Generation of multi-year Ames surface reflectance completed

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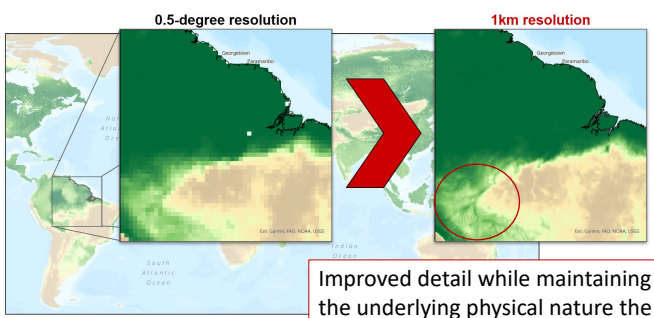


## LPJ-PROSAIL at km-Scale




Next steps

- Forcing LPJ-PROSAIL with the 1-km scale nature run.
- Challenges:
  - Computational complexity
  - Data output volume >50x
- Enabling Digital Twin capabilities of LPJ via atmosphere-land coupling and land management activities
- See GPP example.




Improved detail while maintaining the underlying physical nature the dynamic global vegetation model.


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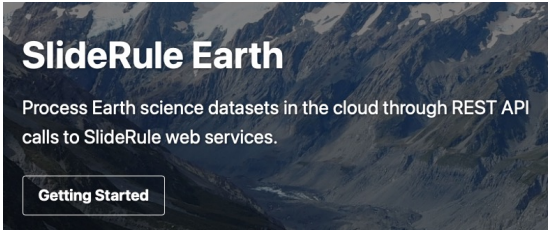
# Slide Rule Earth



**SlideRule Earth**  
science data processing as a service



- [Slide Rule Earth](#) enables low-latency access to data products using processing parameters supplied at the time of the request.
- The Slide Rule backend package H5Coro provides cloud optimized access to HDF-5/NetCDF-4 files on S3.
- Investigating extension of the NetCDF C library by means of a H5Coro plug-in.



**SlideRule Earth**


Process Earth science datasets in the cloud through REST API calls to SlideRule web services.

Getting Started


*SlideRule runs in AWS us-west-2 and currently has access to ICESat-2, GEDI, Landsat, and ArcticDEM datasets stored in S3.*

*Extending these capabilities to simulated SBG/AOS data will accelerate algorithm development trade studies and provide the end user a sneak preview of that the ESO measurements can provide.*

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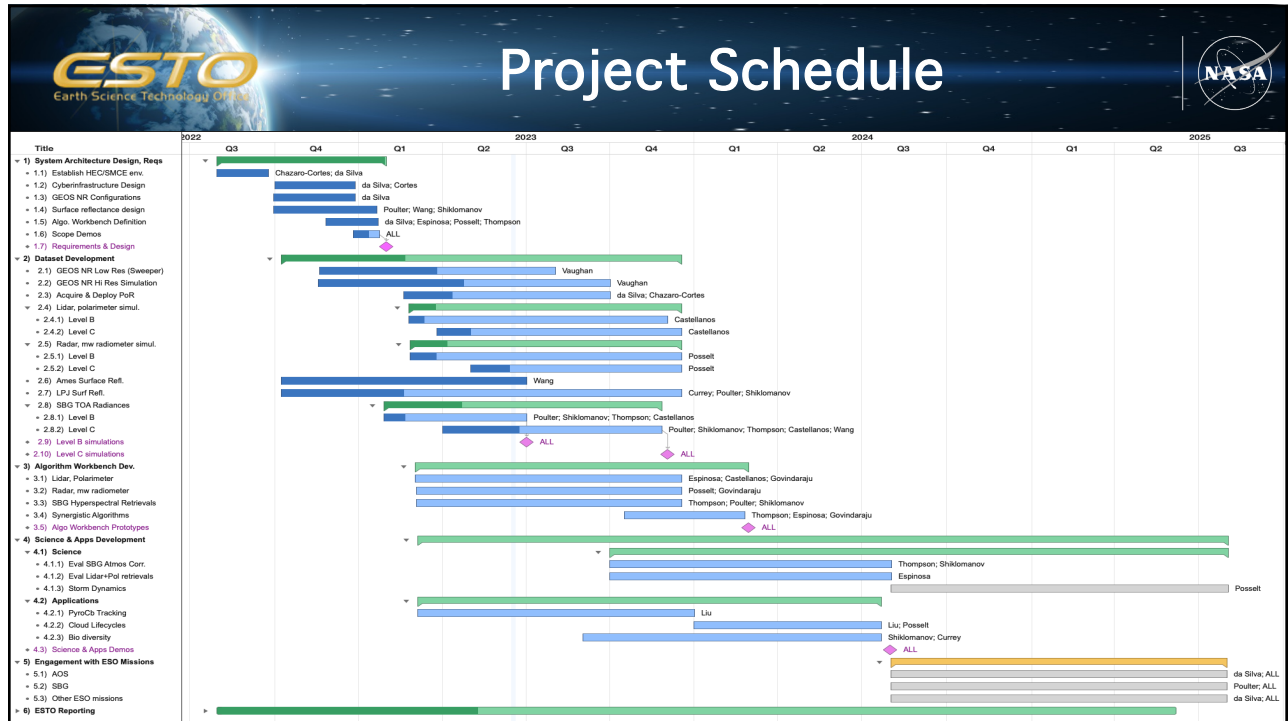
# Plan Forward



Complete tasks as outlined in Gantt chart including...

- Complete dataset acquisition:
  - Geostationary Level 1B and Level 2 (aerosols)
  - Interface LPJ/PROSAIL to high resolution GEOS atmosphere (1.5 km)
  - Generate reflectances and synthetic retrievals from GEOS Nature Runs and Ames/LPJ surface reflectances:
    - AOS Instruments: Lidar, polarimeter, Ku and W/Ka radars and microwave radiometers
    - SBG radiometer using both Ames surface reflectance and LPL/PROSAIL
- Start/continue work on algorithm workbench for AOS and SBG instruments
  - Exploring adoption of [SlideRule Earth](#) technologies for cloud optimized data access (via H5Coro) and on-demand generation of customizable algorithms.
- Complete work on tracking of Pyro Cb Plumes application using [tobac](#) cloud object technology.

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# Final Remarks

- The project is picking up momentum after some minor setbacks
- Challenges encountered during first year:
  - Generation of Storm Resolving Nature Run somewhat affected by delays in Clune’s AIST project (Presentation Later Today)
  - Applications coordinator has accepted another position within GSFC; alternate identified – opportunity for injection of object identification technology (*tobac*)
  - HEC engineer provided by NCCS only available at 50%; others stepping in to fill the gap (see Team slide).
- Very good chemistry among team participants from different centers and disciplines
  - Great potential for AOS-SBG synergisms

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# List of Acronyms



Acronym	Description
4SAIL	4-stream Scattering by Arbitrary Inclined Leaves RTM
AOS	Atmosphere Observing System
C576	Cubed-sphere with 5760 gridcells per edge. ~1.5 km global resolution
DSI	Decadal Survey Incubator
ESO	Earth System Observatory
ESMF	Earth System Modeling Framework (ESTO funded)
GEOS	Goddard Earth Observing System Earth System Model
ISOFIT	Imaging Spectrometer Optimal Fitting
LPJ	Lund-Potsdam-Jena (land surface model)
MC	Mass Change
NR	Nature Run
OSSE	Observing System Simulation Experiment
PROSAIL	Combination of PROSPECT and 4SAIL
PROSPECT	Propriétés Spectrales RTM
SBG	Surface Biology and Geology
SDC	Surface Deformation and Change



# Glossary: OSSE Levels



- **Level A:** gridded properties
  - **Level A1:** gridded geophysical variables (GVs) from a *Nature Run (NR)*
    - In JEDI parlance these are called *GeoVals*.
  - **Level A2:** gridded surface characteristics, e.g., BRDF kernels, surface reflectances, or from high resolution land surface model
- **Level G:** geolocation file with coordinates, viewing and solar angles.
- **Level B:** Geophysical variables at *observation locations*
  - Input for radiative transfer calculations
  - **Level B1:** GVs from NR; sampling of Level A1 at observation locations
  - **Level B2:** input surface characteristics; sampling of Level A2 at obs locations
  - **Level B3:** geophysical variables used for validation of retrievals
- **Level C:** simulation of observables at observation location
  - Can include instrument model with random and systematic (calibration) errors.
  - **Level C1:** Single scattering properties
  - **Level C2:** Result of radiative transfer calculations, e.g., reflectances, DoLP
- **Level D:** retrieval simulations
- **Level E:** assimilation of synthetic measurements



# Digital Twin Infrastructure Model for Agricultural Applications

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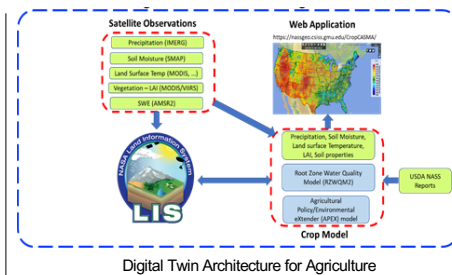


## Digital Twin Infrastructure Model for Agricultural Applications

PI: Rajat Bindlish, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center

### Objective

We propose the development of a Digital Twin Agriculture prototype by integrating land/hydrology process models, agricultural models, and remote sensing information. The development of the agricultural digital twin infrastructure will allow us to assess the socio-economic impact from naturally occurring and human activities on agriculture and food security.



### Approach

- Establish an Agricultural Digital Twin framework.
- Assimilate high-resolution remote sensing observations in the NASA's Land Information System (LIS).
- Develop a crop model operational framework.
- Couple NASA's LIS. With the crop model.
- Conduct 'what if' scenario investigations.
- Develop web application to disseminate results of the study.

### Key Milestones

- Requirements, architecture, design 12/22
- Crop model development 12/23
- Couple crop model with NASA's LIS and Agriculture DT 06/24
- Web application development 03/25
- Scenario investigations 06/25

Co-Is/Partners: NASA GSFC, USDA ARS, USDA NASS

TRL<sub>in</sub> = 3    TRL<sub>current</sub> = 6





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## Background / Objectives

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- We aim to develop a Digital Twin Agriculture prototype by integrating land/hydrology process models, agricultural models, and remote sensing information. The development of the agricultural digital twin infrastructure will allow us to assess the socio-economic impact from naturally occurring and human activities on agriculture and food security.
- The current crop models do not adequately represent land surface hydrology
- LIS current does not include crop modeling but has state-of-the-art land surface models
- “Agricultural Twin” will provide a state-of-the-art agriculture model that will provide capability for food security monitoring



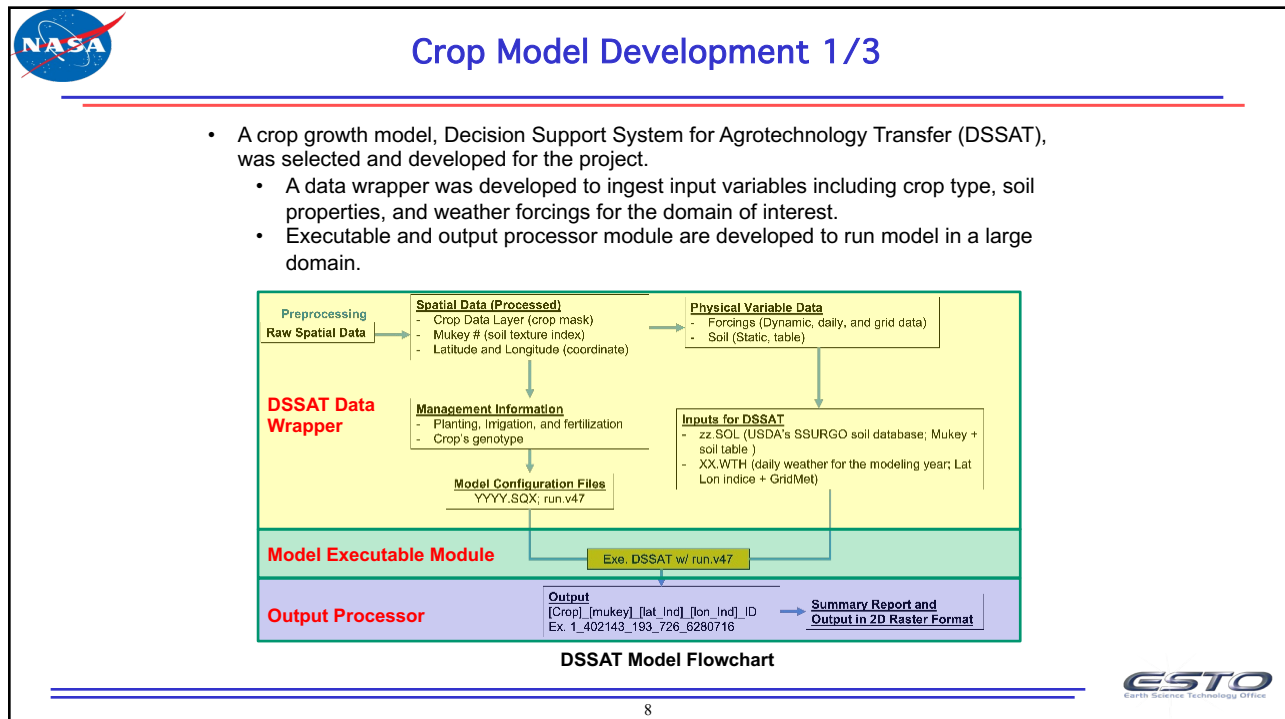
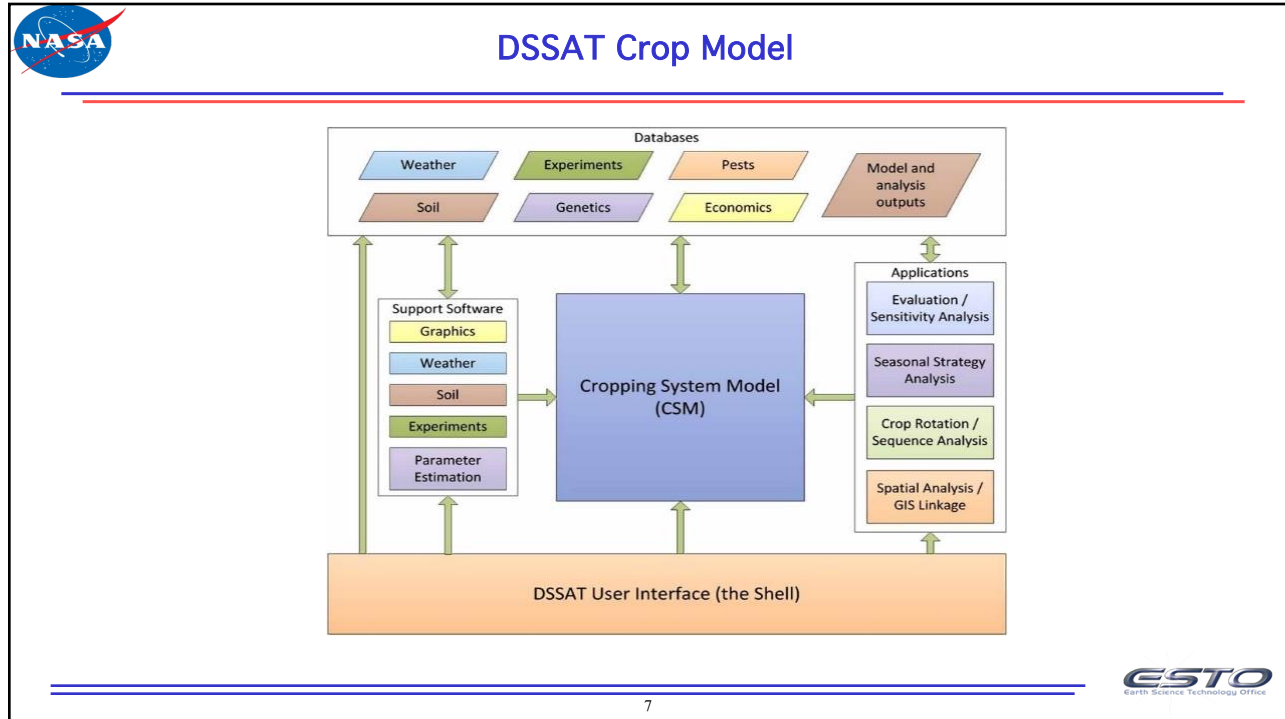
## Specific Objectives

- Establish a digital twin framework that enables the NASA remote sensing data products and land surface model products to be directly coupled with or assimilated into the crop growth model
- Assimilate high-resolution remote sensing inputs (precipitation, temperature, soil moisture, snow water equivalent, ground water, leaf area index) through the NASA Land Information System (LIS) to estimate land surface variables (water and energy fluxes) at daily time scales
- Implement crop growth models [Agricultural Policy/Environmental eXtender (APEX), Root Zone Water Quality Model (RZWQM2) and Decision Support System for Agrotechnology Transfer (DSSAT)] to estimate crop growth states, biomass, and crop yield under long-term weather conditions and projected future climate scenarios
- Implement Bayesian Neural Network (BNN) model to predict final county level crop yield by using NASS historical yield reports, yield, biomass, and phenology outputs from APEX/ DSSAT model, and other variables from LIS
- Develop tools to conduct 'what if' investigations to provide agricultural guidance
- Develop capability for disseminating non-confidential crop progress data, biomass and crop yield maps using an operational web application



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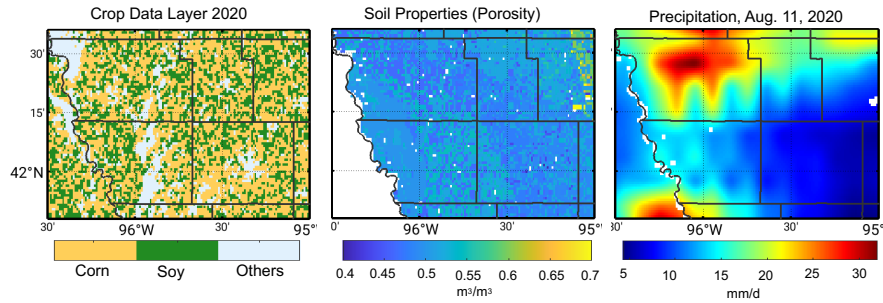
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## Crop Model Development 2/3

- DSSAT was run in four agricultural dominant counties, Woodbury, Ida, Monona, and Crawford in Iowa for model test.
- **Crop data layer:**
  - Crop data layer from USDA NASS are used as crop mask.
  - Corn and soybean are targeted crops.
- **Soil properties:**
  - USDA's Soil Survey Geographic Database (SSURGO) is used.
- **Weather forcings:**
  - Precipitation from GPM IMERG, and solar radiation, temperature (max and min), wind speed from MERRA-2 are used to drive the crop model.



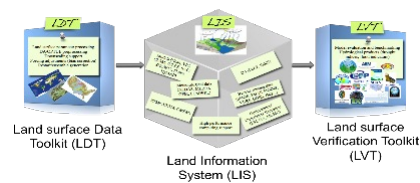
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## Configuration of NASA's LIS for Coupling 1/3

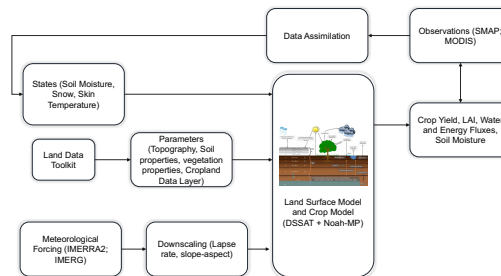
### NASA GSFC's Land Information System Framework (LISF).

- Land surface Data Toolkit (LDT):
  - Tool to preprocess input variables
- Land Information System (LIS):
  - Implementation of land surface model and DA.
- Land surface Verification Toolkit (LVT):
  - Tool to evaluate model estimates.



### Model Configuration for Coupling W/ DSSAT

- Land surface model: Noah-MP 4.0.1
- Grid Spacing: 0.01 x 0.01 degree
- Soil Layers: 0 - 10 cm, 10 - 40 cm, 40 - 100 cm, 100 - 200 cm
- Land cover: MODIS
- Soil texture: 1 km STATSGO-FAO
- Elevation: SRTM
- Greenness fraction: MODIS/NOAA-NCEP
- Albedo: MODIS/NOAA-NCEP
- Forcing data: MERRA2 and IMERG



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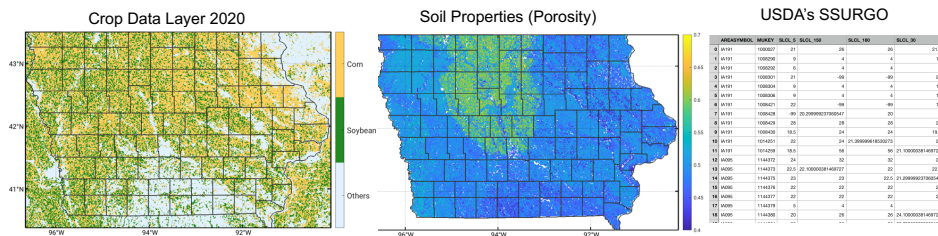




## Configuration of NASA's LIS for Coupling 2/3

### LDT development for crop data layer and gSSURGO soil datasets

- Domain definition module
- Scalable module
  - Nearest neighbor
  - Mode
- Mukey value of soil database is related to NASA's SSURGO Table
- CDL and soil properties were aggregated to 1 km for the experiment.



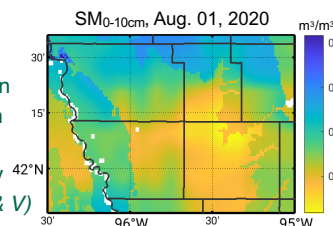
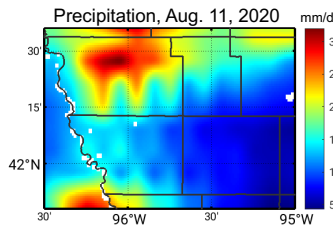
## Configuration of NASA's LIS for Coupling 3/3

### Input Parameters:

- vegetation class
- vegetation greenness/LAI
- soil type
- elevation

### Required Forcing Fields:

- total precipitation
- convective precipitation*
- downward shortwave radiation
- downward longwave radiation
- near surface air temperature
- near surface specific humidity
- near surface wind speed (*U & V*)
- surface pressure



### Assimilated Data Fields:

- snow cover
- snow depth or water equivalent
- soil moisture
- water storage anomaly
- leaf area index
- irrigation intensity
- surface temperature

### Summary of Output Fields:

- soil moisture in each layer
- groundwater storage
- soil temperature in each layer
- surface and subsurface runoff
- evaporation
- transpiration
- latent, sensible, and ground heat fluxes
- rainfall
- net shortwave and longwave radiation



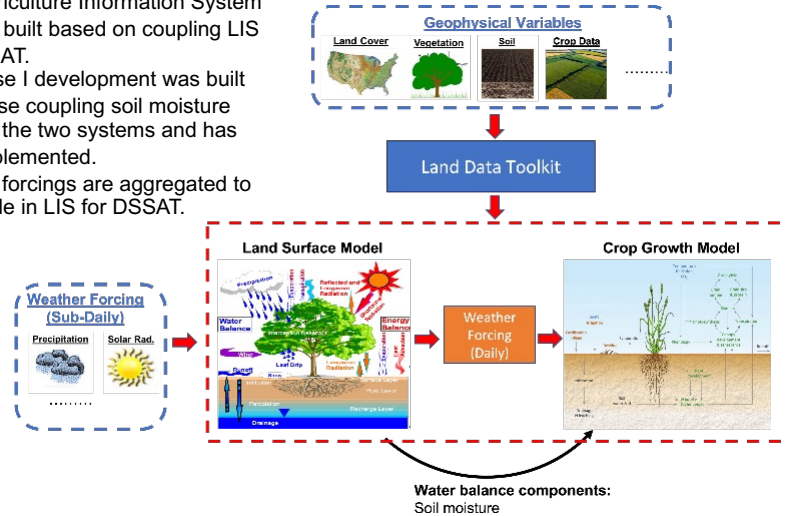




## Couple Crop Model With NASA's LIS

### Agriculture DT

- Land-Agriculture Information System (LAIS) is built based on coupling LIS and DSSAT.
- The phase I development was built upon loose coupling soil moisture between the two systems and has been implemented.
- Weather forcings are aggregated to daily scale in LIS for DSSAT.



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## Complexity of Coupling LIS W/ DSSAT

### Model mechanism inconsistency

- LSM in LIS is designed to run spatially in a 2D domain for each time step; while DSSAT model is running per pixel over a period of time.
  - Data wrapper was developed to circle around such an inconsistency for loose coupling the two systems.
  - A restart module for DSSAT is under development for tight coupling.

### Model physics inconsistency

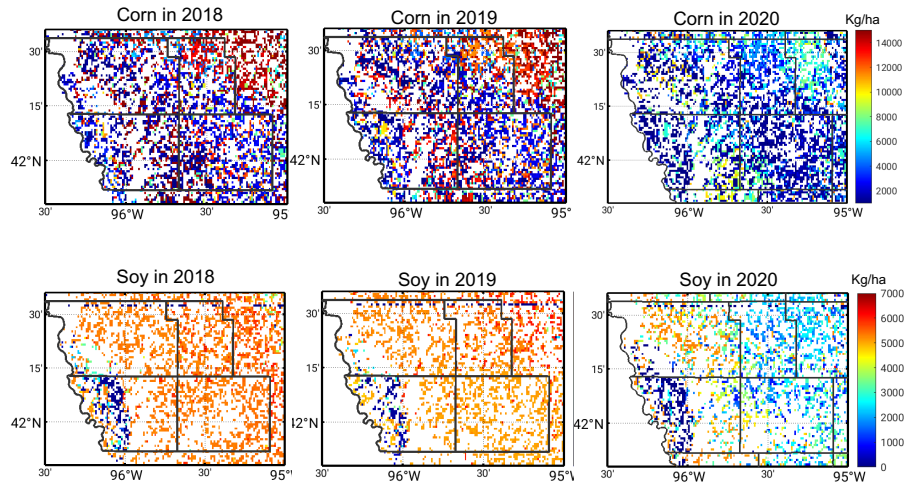
- Soil layers are treated differently in LSM and DSSAT (homogeneous compared to heterogeneous profiles).
  - Soil profiles are layered consistently through preprocessing to four layers, consistent to LSM.
- Inconsistent soil properties input in LSM and DSSAT (soil texture compared to soil property variables).
  - A soil profile module is being developed to unify soil input variables in DSSAT for LIS LSM.
- Weather forcing scale inconsistency in LSM and DSSAT (sub-daily compared to daily).
  - Weather forcing is aggregated in LIS to daily scale for loose coupling w/ DSSAT.

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## Couple Crop Model With NASA's LIS

- Crop yields for corn and soy in 2018-2020 are estimated using LIS-DSSAT model.



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## Summary of Accomplishments and Future Plans

### Current status of project

- Development of Crop Model
  - Updated DSSAT model to Version 4.8.
  - Developed and implemented a new module in DSSAT to integrate external soil moisture for model coupling.
  - Developed and modified data wrapper to consider crop rotation and multiple year of model spin-up.
- Couple crop model with NASA's LIS and Agriculture DT
  - Developed data reader and writer for CDL and gSSURGO soil database in LDT.
  - Developed a framework to loosely couple NASA's LIS and DSSAT model.
  - Implemented crop simulation for corn and soybean in selected counties in Iowa.
- Web application development
  - Tested USDA's Crop Condition and Soil Moisture Analytics (Crop-CASMA) to ingest simulation output variables, such as crop yield, phenology, vegetation, and water balance parameters.
- Scenario investigations
  - Understood the simulation inconsistency between DSSAT alone and LIS-DSSAT models.



## Summary

- The project is progressing well
- The integration of the two modeling systems: Land surface hydrology (LIS) and Crop Model (DSSAT) is in progress
- The value of precip and land surface hydrology variables (soil moisture, soil temperature) was demonstrated
- Enable better crop yield forecasts that use antecedent surface observations
- This project will enable the first integration of assimilated remote sensing observations in the land surface hydrology with a crop model





## Summary of Accomplishments and Future Plans

### Future plans

- Development of Crop Model
  - Develop module for coupling vegetation component, eg. LAI, for model coupling.
  - Develop data assimilation schemes using remotely sensed data for DSSAT model.
- Couple crop model with NASA's LIS and Agriculture DT
  - Investigate the impact of model inconsistency in soil profiles.
  - Develop plug-in module to integrate DSSAT model into LISF.
  - Develop a tight coupling scheme for LIS-DSSAT framework.
- Web application development
  - Develop a data module to ingest direct outputs from LIS-DSSAT model.
- Scenario investigations
  - Investigate impacts of coupling models on climatology on soil moisture, temperature, LAI, and ET.
  - Implement DA using remotely sensed datasets in the coupling framework and assess its impacts on the agriculture system.
  - Investigate 2016 and 2017 drought in Northern Great Plain and 2019 flood in mid-west.



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## Actual or Potential Infusions and Collaborations

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- Alex Ruane (NASA GISS) has agreed to be a member of the project team. Alex has extensive experience in crop modeling and leads the AgMip project.
- The team includes USDA NASS investigators who are very interested in infusing this technology
- Met with NASA water resources and agriculture applied science program
- Working with NASA Acres project at UMD – NASA domestic agriculture consortium



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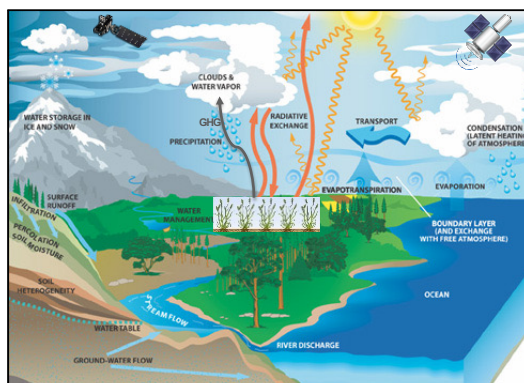


## List of Acronyms

• ARS	Agricultural Research Service
• CDL	Crop Data Layer
• DA	Data Assimilation
• DSSAT	Decision Support System for Agrotechnology Transfer
• DT	Digital Twin
• GISS	Goddard Institute for Space Studies
• GSFC	Goddard Space Flight Center
• GSSURGO	Gridded Soil Survey Geographic
• LDT	Land Data Toolkit
• LIS	Land Information System
• NASS	National Agricultural Statistics Service



## LIS-Agriculture DT on Ecosystem



Conceptual Diagram of LIS and Agriculture DT

### Capabilities of LIS-Agriculture DT

- Couple land surface processes with agricultural crop growth processes on croplands.
- Integrate NASA's satellite observations to improve estimates from the model such as hydrological variables and crop yields in croplands.

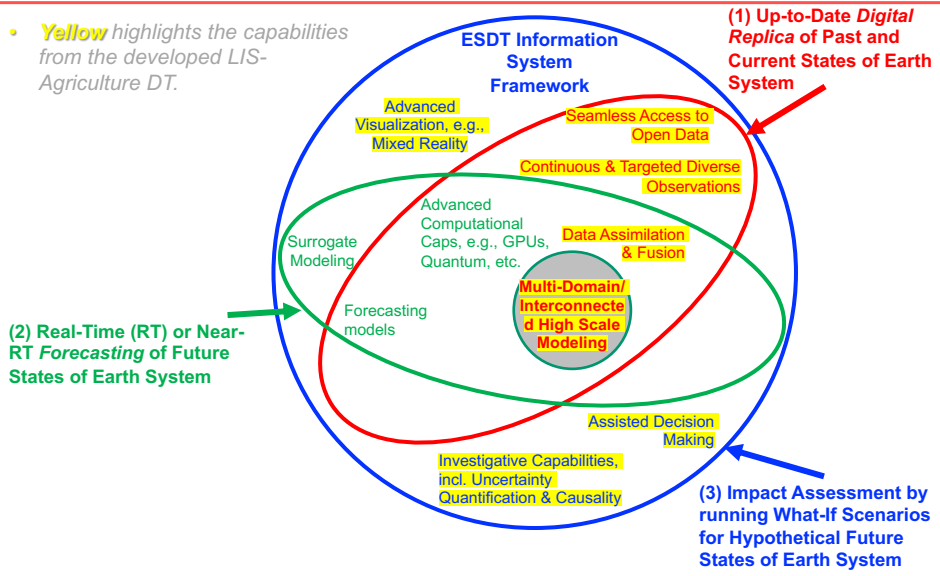
### Contributions of LIS-Agriculture DT to Ecosystem

- Understand impacts of agricultural systems on water cycle to enhance water management capability.
- Investigate freshwater pollution due to fertilization in the agricultural system.
- Investigate green house gas emission (GHG) due to agricultural activities and its impacts on climate change.



# Earth System Digital Twins (ESDT) Mapping

- **Yellow** highlights the capabilities from the developed LIS-Agriculture DT.





# Development of a next-generation ensemble prediction system for atmospheric composition

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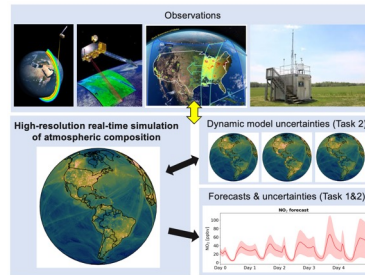


## Development of a next-generation ensemble prediction system for atmospheric composition

PI: Christoph Keller, MSU / NASA GMAO; Co-PI: Jennifer Sleeman, JHU / APL

### Objective

- Develop a novel and practical framework to conduct high-resolution, real-time simulations of reactive gases by (a) reducing compute requirements for atmospheric chemistry simulations and (b) developing machine learning models to efficiently predict model uncertainties.
- This Framework will be applied to the NASA GEOS Composition Forecast system (GEOS-CF) first and transferred to NOAA's air quality forecasting system in year 3.
- Project goals include 3-fold speedup of short-term simulations (<14 days); doubling of horizontal model resolution; increase in forecast length from 5 to 10 days.



### Approach

Enhance current GEOS model capabilities by:

**Task 1:** Enable accelerated simulations of reactive trace gases in GEOS by implementing machine learning emulator for atmospheric chemistry and simplify model parameterization of tracer transport.

**Task 2:** Develop deep learning (DL) model to dynamically predict model uncertainties of key trace gases, such as nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), and aerosols.

Co-PI: Jennifer Sleeman (JHU)  
 Co-I: Patricia Castellanos (NASA GMAO)

### Key Milestones

- 02/23: Chemistry emulator implemented (TRL 5)
- 06/23: Simplified transport implemented (TRL 5)
- 08/23: DL prototype (TRL 4)
- 02/24: New GEOS-CF workflow complete (TRL 6)
- 08/24: Technology transfer to NOAA (TRL 7)

Current TRL = 4

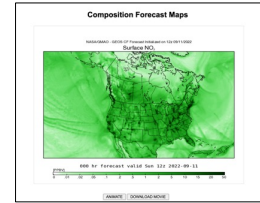




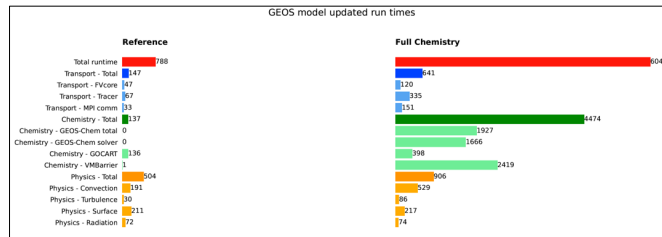


## Simulating atmospheric composition is expensive

The NASA **GEOS Composition Forecast System** (GEOS-CF) produces daily global forecasts of atmospheric composition. However, GEOS-CF is computationally very expensive, which restricts the range of applications.



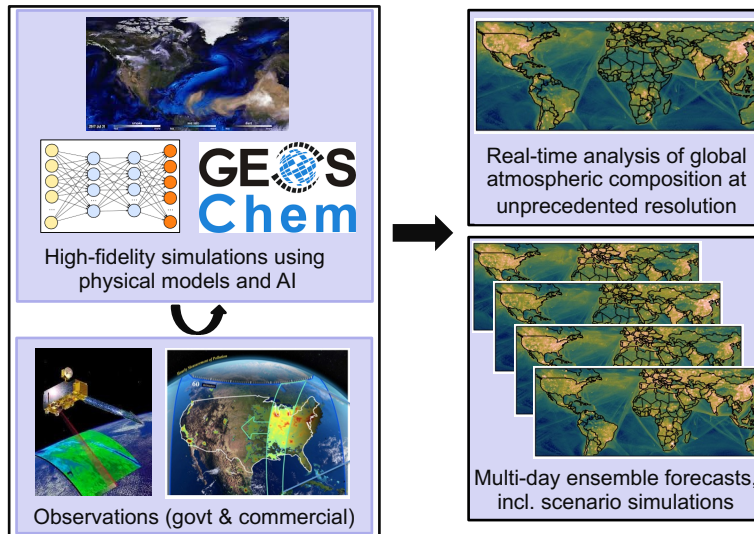
[https://fluid.nccs.nasa.gov/cf/classic\\_geos\\_cf/](https://fluid.nccs.nasa.gov/cf/classic_geos_cf/)




- ~0.25 degrees horizontal resolution (global), 72 vertical levels
- >200 chemical species, >700 reactions
- 3'580 CPU's



## Project objective: accelerate real-time simulation of atmospheric composition

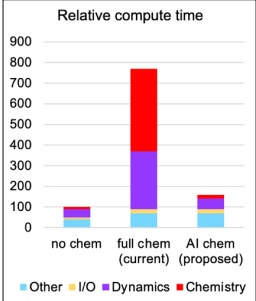





## Project overview

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- **Tasks:**
  - Task 1: **Accelerated version of GEOS-CF** suitable for short-term applications
  - Task 2: Devise an **ensemble prediction framework** using deep learning (DL)
  - Task 3: **Apply the framework** to GEOS-CF and NOAA's system (optional 3<sup>rd</sup> year)
  
- **Science / Technology advancements:**
  - Deliver DL framework for GEOS model system
  - Speed up (short-term) model simulations of atmospheric composition by factor 3-5
  - Increase GEOS-CF model resolution by 2x
  - Double GEOS-CF forecast length to 10 days
  
- **Relation to NASA R&A and Applications:**
  - Real-time simulation of atmospheric composition (Atmospheric Composition; Carbon Cycle; Health & Air Quality)
  - Improved air quality forecasts (Health & Air Quality; Fires)




Configuration	Other	I/O	Dynamics	Chemistry	Total
no chem	10	10	10	10	50
full chem (current)	50	50	250	400	750
AI chem (proposed)	50	50	50	50	200



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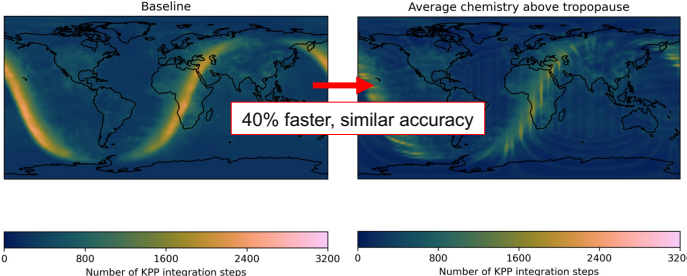
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## Task 1: Accelerate chemical solver

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- **Goal:** faster version of GEOS-CF, suitable for forecasts and scenario simulations
- **Activity:** reduce terminator chemistry runtime:
  - Grid-cell averaging
  - Flexible adjustment of error tolerances
- **Motivation:** twilight regions account for ~10% of global domain, but consume 33% of computation
- **Team:** Christoph Keller, Obin Sturm, Mike Long, Patricia Castellanos





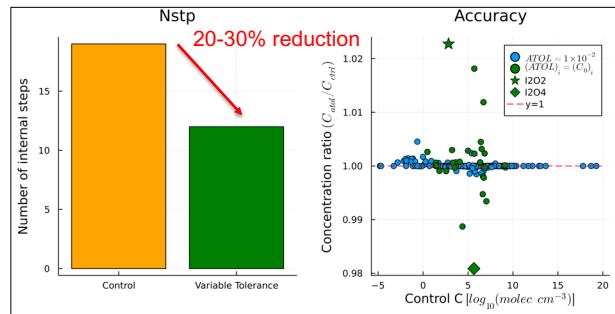
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## Task 1: Dynamical error adjustment

- Identified novel way of speeding up the numerical calculation of chemistry in the KPP software package (by optimizing error tolerances)
- Efficiency tests and implementation into GEOS-CF currently underway
- Initiated collaboration with KPP developers

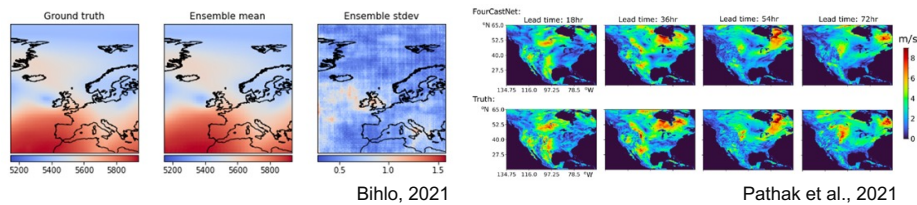


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## Overview Task 2: Deep Learning Models

- **Goal:** develop deep learning model suitable for GEOS-CF ensemble predictions
- **Activity:** test two DL approaches tested for weather forecasting:
  - c-GAN (Bihlo, 2021)
  - Fourier-based neural network (FourCastNet; Pathak et al., 2022)
- **Motivation:** Ensemble simulations using the numerical model is computationally too expensive, deep learning models can potentially solve this problem
- **JHU APL Team:** Jennifer Sleeman, Chris Ribaldo, David Chung, Mimi Szeto, Marisa Hughes

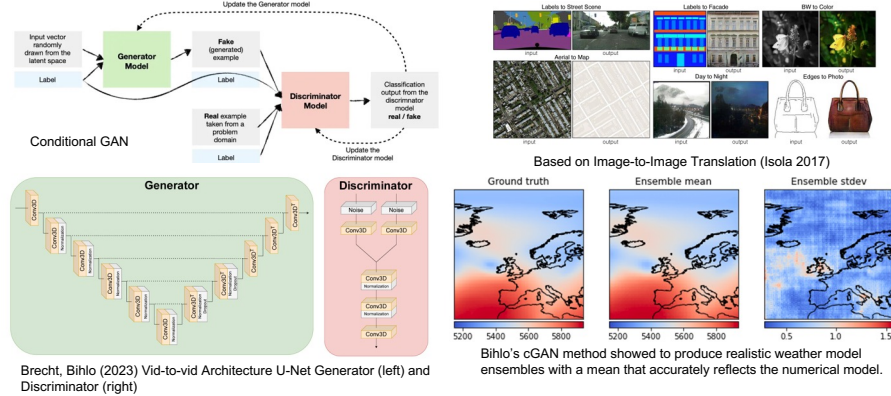


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## Task 2: Conditional Generative Adversarial Networks (cGANs) for Model Ensembling

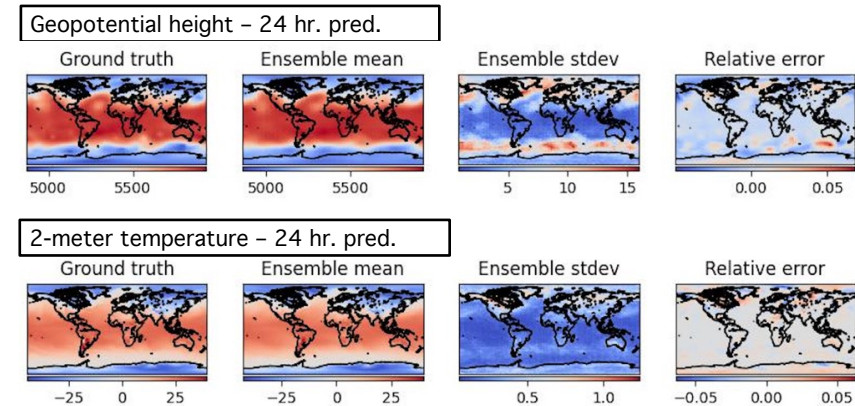
- Bihlo (2021) used the Monte Carlo Dropout methodology and cGANs for weather forecasting and ensembling
- The cGAN method is an ensemble of 100 realizations of the deep learning model
- It does not vary initial conditions (relies on drop-out to vary model after model is trained)



Brecht, Bihlo (2023) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neunet.2021.02.003>  
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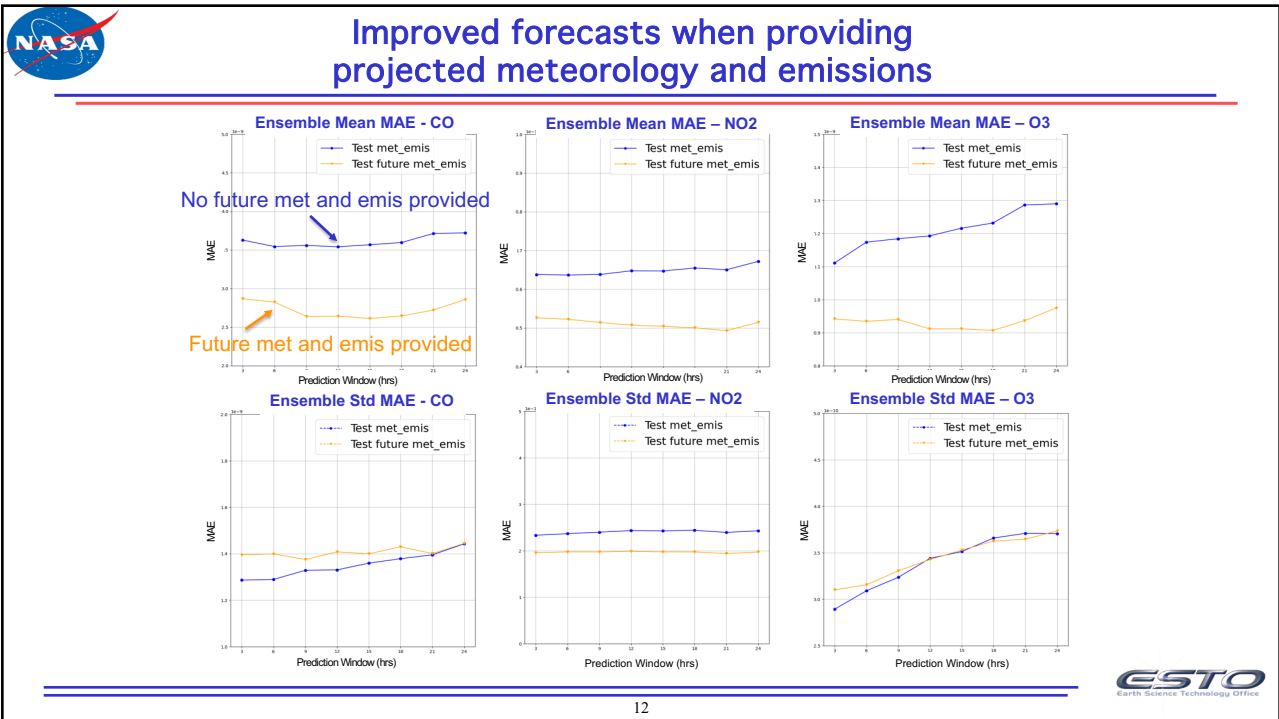
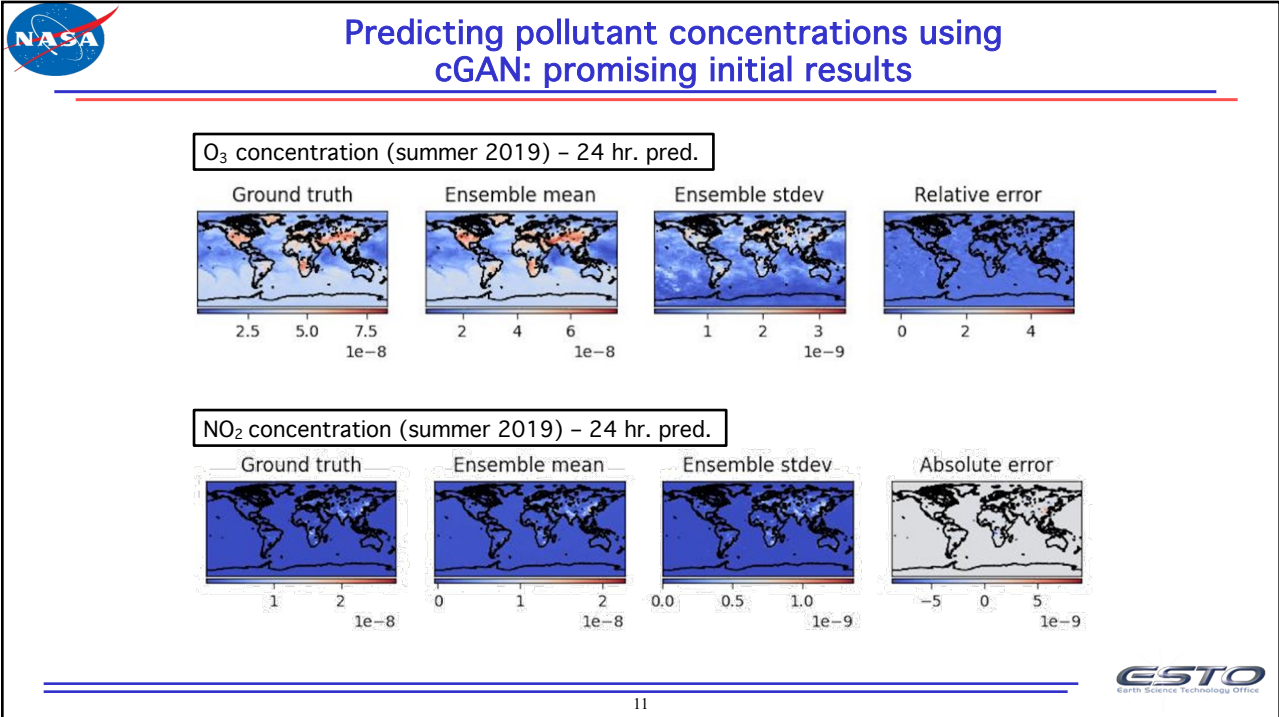


## Able to reproduce published cGAN results using GEOS output



- 500 hPa geopotential height, two-meter temperature
- Training set: 11 months
- Test set: 1 month (Aug 2019)





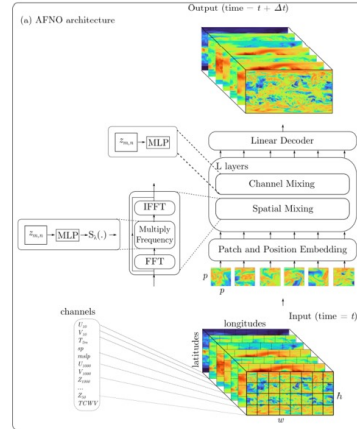


## FourCastNet for Model Emulation and Uncertainty Estimation Research

- FourCastNet is a deep neural network that learns to forecast 2D atmospheric variables globally

Vertical Level	Variables
Surface	$U_{10}, V_{10}, T_{2m}, sp, mslp$
1000hPa	$U, V, Z$
850hPa	$T, U, V, Z, RH$
500hPa	$T, U, V, Z, RH$
50hPa	$Z$
Integrated	$TCWV$

- Uses Fourier Neural Operator (FNO) combined with vision transformer backbone
  - FNO shown to perform well in modelling complex PDE systems
- Pathak et al. (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.11214>)

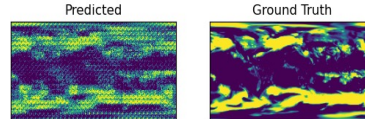


## Training a new FourCastNet model using NASA GEOS output

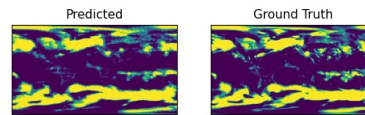
- Traditionally trains on ERA reanalysis output
  - 0.25 degrees resolution
- Reconfigured FourCastNet code to train on NASA GEOS output
  - 1 degrees resolution (initially)
  - 315 days of training data (Feb 21, 2020 - Dec 31, 2020)
  - Output from training

Able to train our own FourCastNet on NASA GEOS output  
 Verified framework and FourCastNet data requirements for GEOS

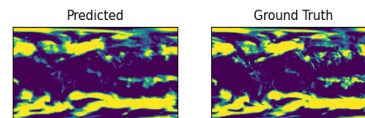
Normalized 10 meter Eastward Wind after 1 Epochs of Training



Normalized 10 meter Eastward Wind after 50 Epochs of Training



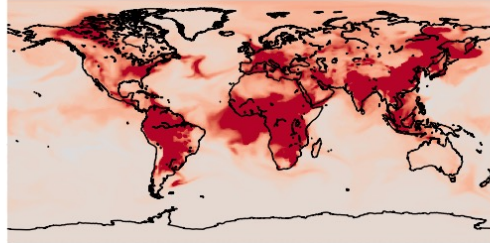
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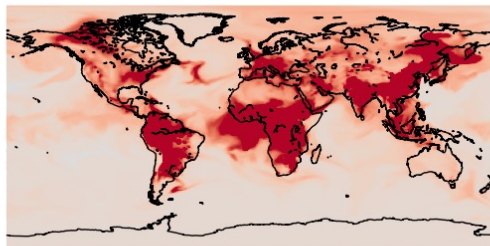


### FourcastNet trained on composition data

CO Ground Truth

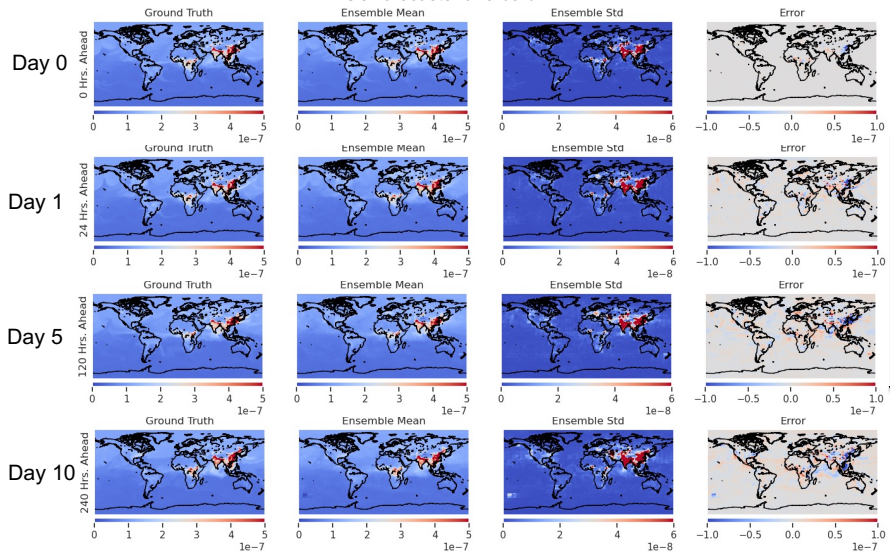


CO Prediction



### FourcastNet ensemble learning: 10 day predictions

CO forecasts for 02/01/21

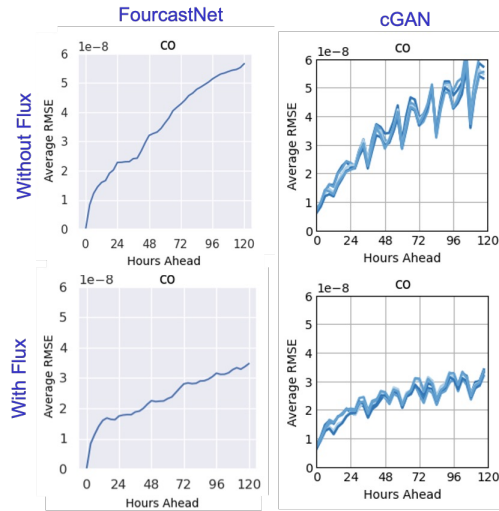




## Sensitivity to emissions (FourCastNet and cGAN)

- Generated comprehensive suite of ensemble training dataset (dataset generation ongoing)
- Updated both AI models (cGAN and FourCastNet) to provide more flexibility in choice of model architecture and input features.
- Like-for-like comparison of cGAN vs. FourCastNet to better understand advantages and limitations of both approaches (see figure).

Early experiments show a smaller average RMSE when emissions are included with concentrations as input for both FourcastNet and cGAN.



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## Current State

- **Task 1 (Accelerated version of GEOS-CF):**
  - Optimizing KPP compute costs via error tolerances
  - Testing this feature in GEOS-CF
- **Task 2 (DL model for ensemble predictions):**
  - Developed DL model prototypes based on c90 (1x1 degree) output:
    - cGAN model
    - FourCastNet model
  - Generated comprehensive set model ensembles

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## Summary and Future Plans

### Summary

- On schedule to deliver:
  - Accelerated version of GEOS-CF suitable for short-term simulations
  - Ensemble prediction capability using DL models
- First results using cGAN / FourCastNet are very encouraging
- KPP optimization via error tolerances is a new development, with potential benefit to the wider KPP community

### Future Plans

- Task 1:
  - Finalize KPP error tolerances optimization
  - Implement and benchmark chemistry emulator in GEOS-CF
- Task 2:
  - Test modified DL models for chemistry application
  - Test ability to predict ensembles spread based on input perturbations
  - Fine-tune DL model and interface with GEOS-CF

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## Infusions and Collaborations

- Potential infusions
  - Bi-weekly meetings with NOAA model developers
- Ongoing collaborations
  - GEOS-Chem Support Team, Max-Planck Institute (KPP integration)
  - AIST-18-0011 (Randall Martin)
  - University of Southern California (Terminator Chemistry)
  - Atmospheric Chemistry and Dynamics Laboratory (GSFC Code 614)
  - NVIDIA & Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (FourCastNet)



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## Publications



## Acronyms

### List of Acronyms

• ACC	Anomaly Correlation Coefficient
• AFNO	Adaptive Fourier Neural Operator
• AQF	Air Quality Forecast
• cGAN	conditional generative adversarial network
• DL	Deep Learning
• GEOS	Goddard Earth Observing System
• GEOS-CF	GEOS Composition Forecast
• GMAO	Global Modeling and Assimilation Office
• IOA	Index of Agreement
• JEDI	Joint Effort for Data Assimilation Integration
• JHU/APL	Johns Hopkins University / Applied Physics Laboratory
• KPP	Kinetic Pre-Processor
• MSU	Morgan State University
• NMB	Normalized Mean Bias
• RMSE	Root Mean Square Error
• RQE	Relative Quantile Error
• TRL	Technology Readiness Level



## Development of the High Performance Implementation of GEOS-Chem (GCHP) to enable broad community access to high-resolution atmospheric chemistry modeling in support of NASA Earth Science

Randall Martin (PI, Washington University)  
 Daniel Jacob (Co-I, Harvard University)  
 Tom Clune (Co-I, NASA GSFC)  
 Christoph Keller (Co-I, NASA GSFC)  
 Sebastian Eastham (Co-I, MIT)

AIST-18-0011 Annual Technical Review  
 June 23, 2023

Bob Yantosca (Harvard), Jourdan He (WashU), Lizzie Lundgren (Harvard), Saptarshi Sinha (WashU), Dandan Zhang (WashU)



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## Augmentation to Development of the High Performance Implementation of GEOS-Chem (GCHP) to Enable Broad Community Access to High-resolution Atmospheric Chemistry Modeling in Support of NASA Earth Science PI: Randall Martin, Washington University

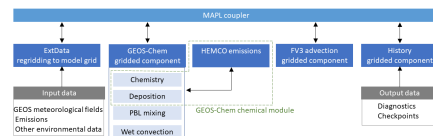
### Objective

- Further develop GCHP to support broad community access to high-resolution atmospheric chemistry modeling and chemical data assimilation, and including by recently funded AIST projects (i.e., Huang and Keller).
- Enhance community access to the cloud-enabled GCHP, a high-performance chemical transport model,
- Integrate the following technologies: high performance atmospheric chemistry model (GCHP); cloud computing; cloud pipelines; adaptive chemical solvers; smart load balancing; Modeling Analysis and Prediction Layer (MAPL);

### Approach

- Improve GCHP accessibility including on the cloud through demonstration and documentation of capabilities, a cataloging system to manage input data, and automated pipelines on the cloud
- Develop algorithms to increase GCHP computational performance through adaptive chemical solvers, aerosol microphysics, and smart load balancing
- Modularize GCHP chemistry and thermodynamics solver to enable interoperability

**Co-Is/Partners:** Daniel Jacob, Harvard; Tom Clune, Christoph Keller, GMAO; Steven Barrett, Sebastian Eastham, MIT



Schematic of GCHP architecture including the GEOS-Chem chemical module used either offline as a CTM or online in an ESM, with interfaces managed through the MAPL coupler.

### Key Milestones

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|--|-------|
| • Adaptive chemical solvers              | 02/23 |
| • Cataloging system to manage input data | 05/23 |
| • Automated pipelines on cloud           | 02/24 |
| • Modularized GCHP components            | 02/24 |

TRL<sub>in</sub> = 4    TRL<sub>current</sub> = 5





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## Background and Objectives

- Atmospheric chemistry models are needed to interpret observations and enable predictions for a range of scientific investigations including air quality, the carbon cycle, climate processes, and extreme events
- These models must be able to operate not only online as components of Earth system models (ESMs) but also offline, using meteorological data as input, because the atmospheric chemistry community relies on the more easily accessible offline version for model development and applications.
- This project helps meet the Research and Applications science goals for several cross cutting science areas
  - **(Carbon Cycle; Climate Variability; Atmospheric Comp; Disasters; Health & Air Quality; Atmospheric Composition Modeling and Analysis; Planetary Boundary Layer; Fires)**
- Further develop the High Performance Version of GEOS-Chem (GCHP), a global 3-D chemical transport model, to enable broad community access to high-resolution atmospheric chemistry modeling and chemical data assimilation
- Enhance community access to the cloud-enabled GCHP, a high-performance chemical transport model,
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Off-line  
 GEOS-Chem CTM

GEOS-Chem chemical module

GEOS-Chem User Community

10<sup>th</sup> International GEOS-Chem meeting in 2022 at WashU had 272 registrants from 103 institutions and 17 countries

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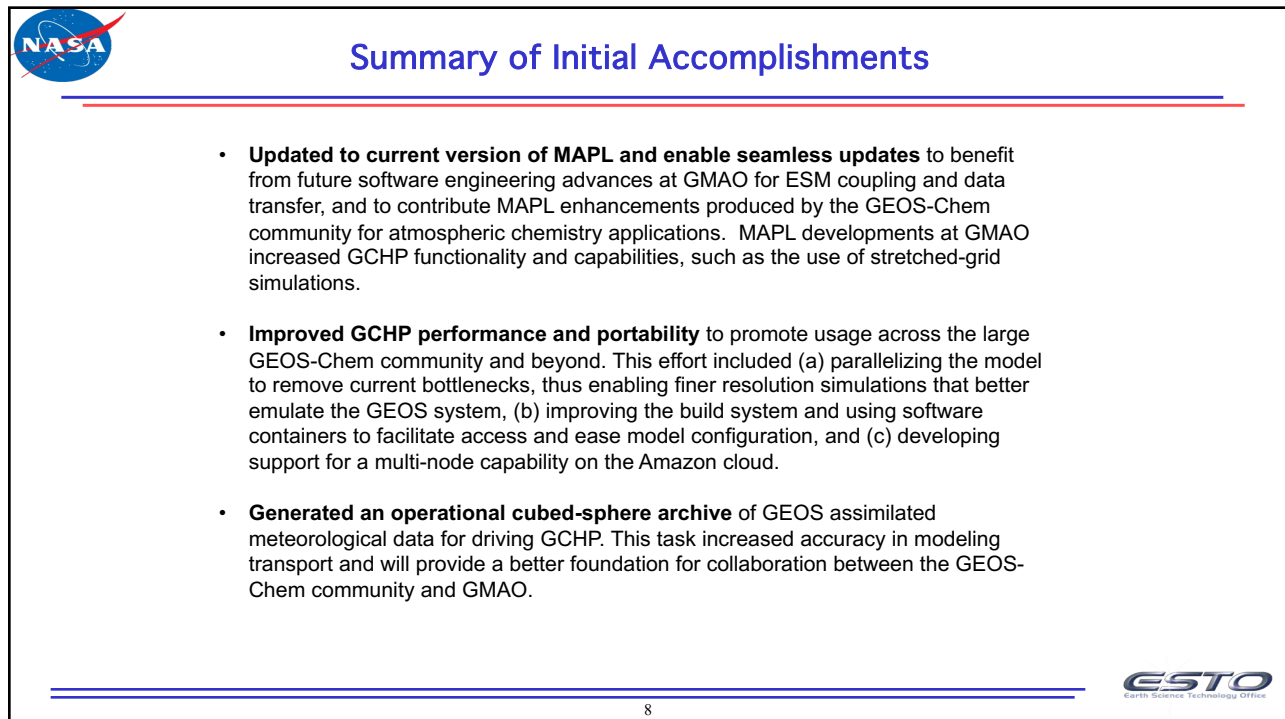
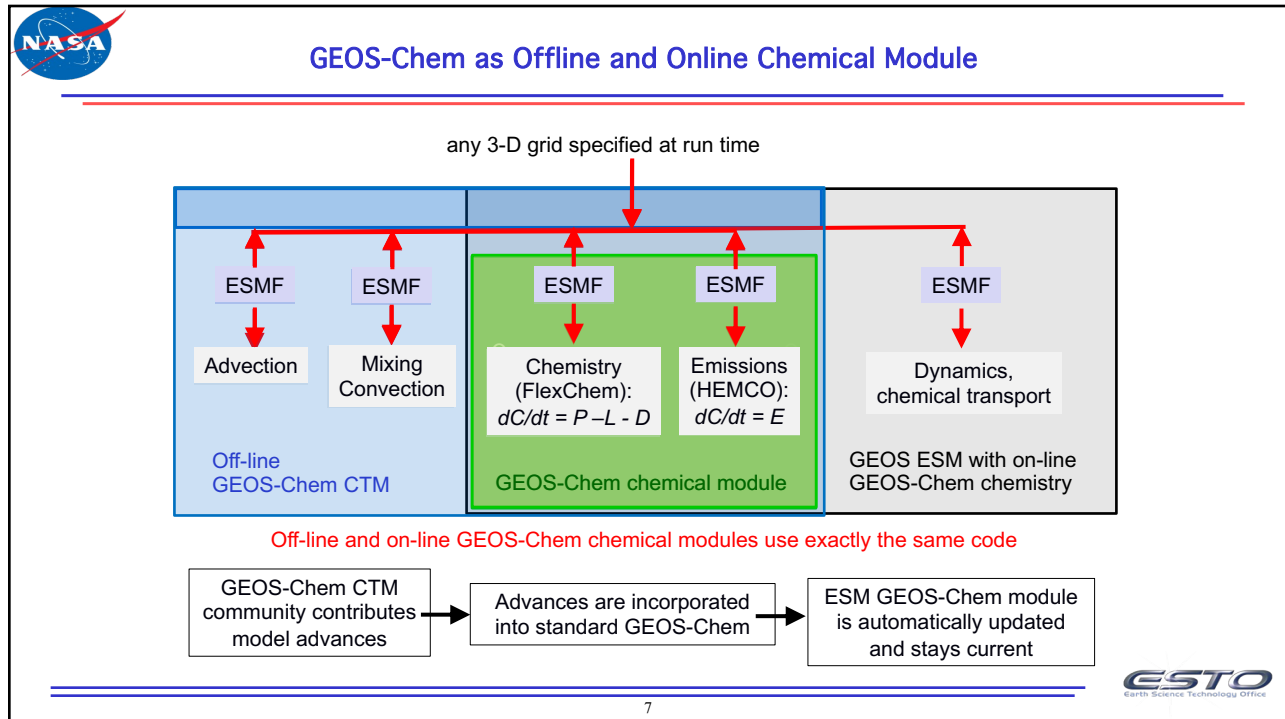
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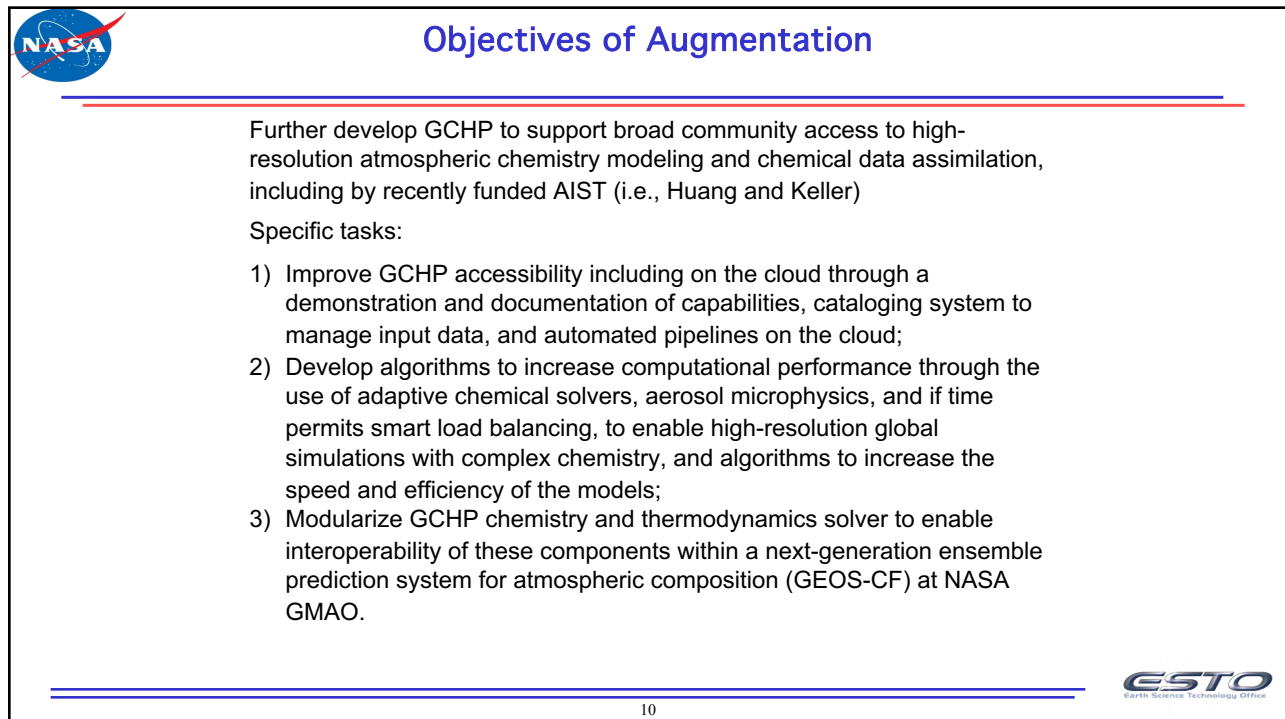
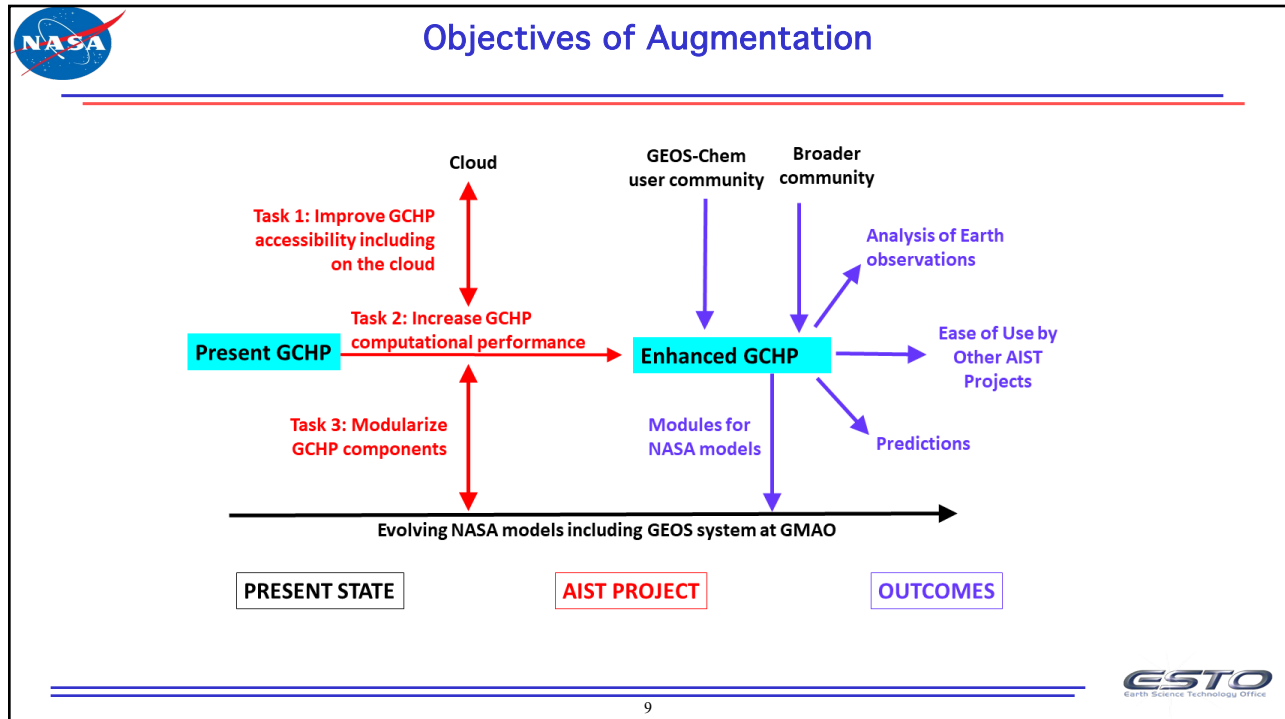
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GEOS ESM with on-line  
 GEOS-Chem chemistry

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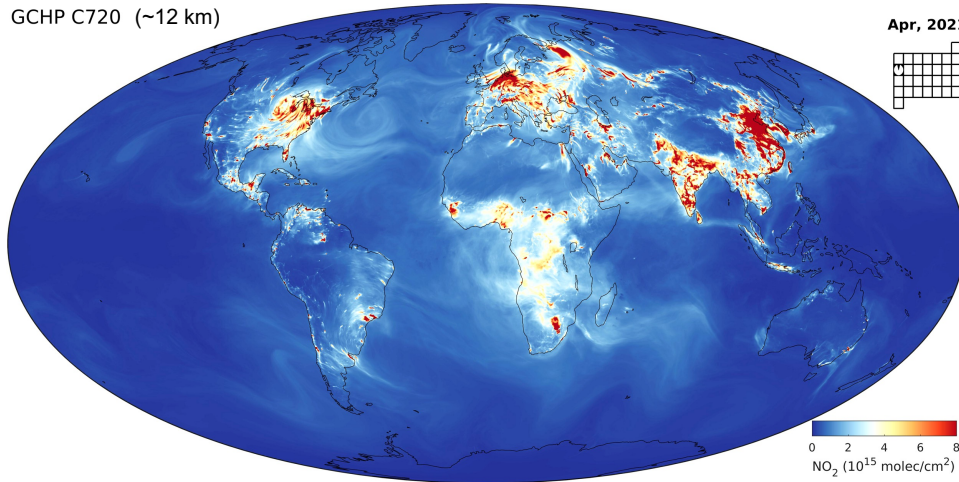
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## Task 1: Demonstration of GCHP

GCHP C720 (~12 km)

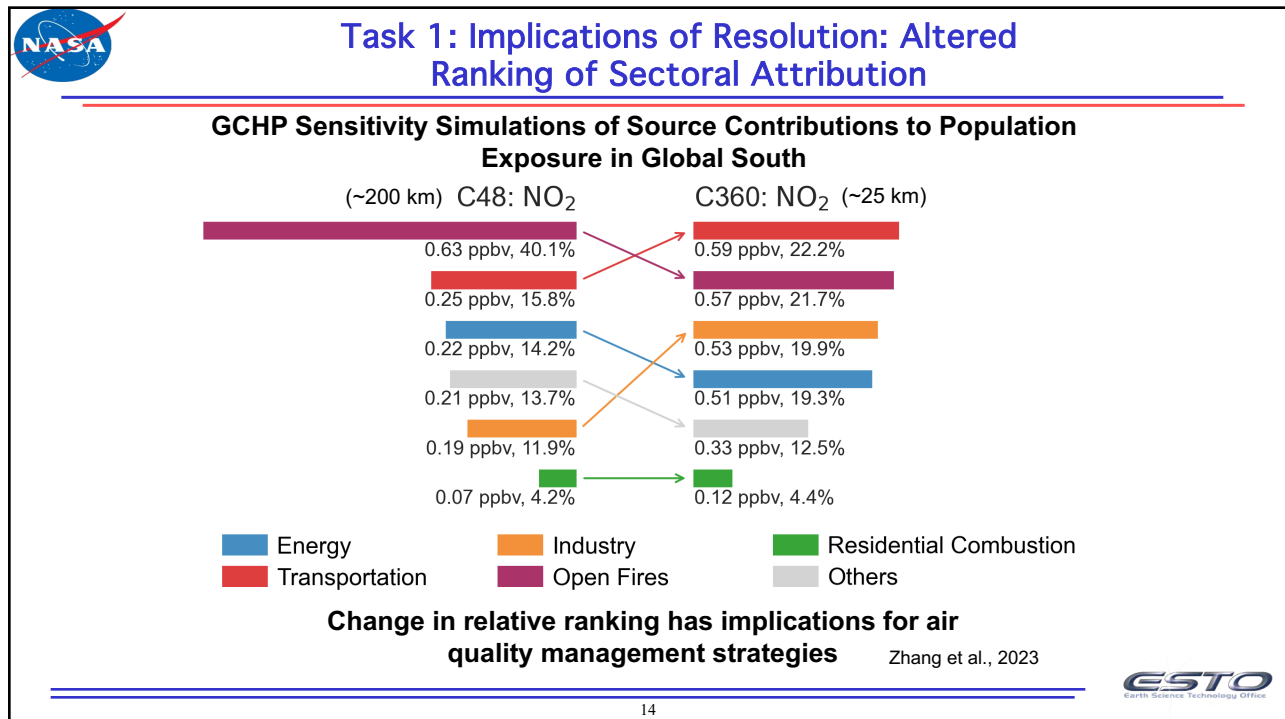
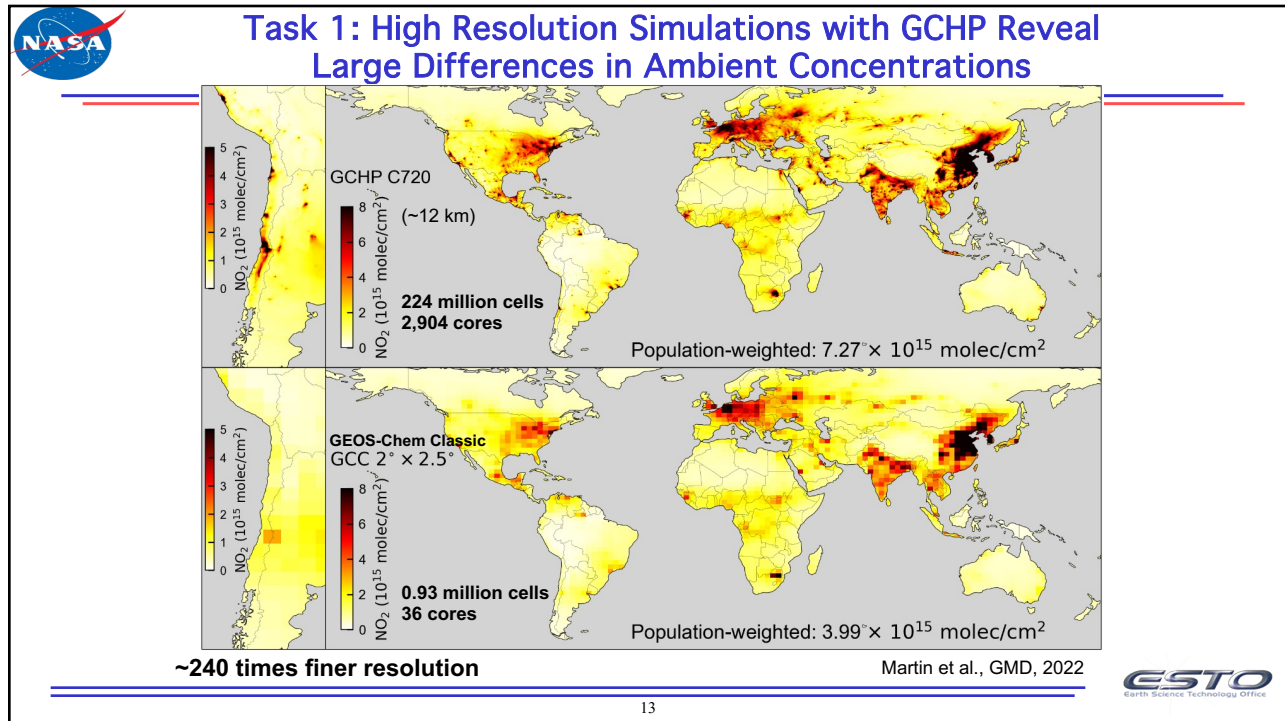
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220 million cells, 2,904 cores

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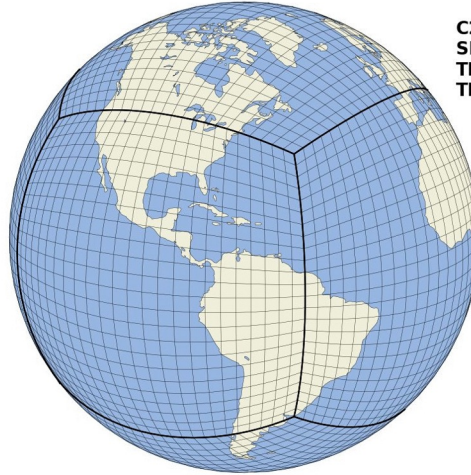




## Technical Development

### Stretched-grid capability for targeted high-resolution simulations

- Transformation to the cube-sphere's grid-boxes
- Grid-boxes shrink over target region
- Grid-boxes expand on the opposite face
- No added computational effort



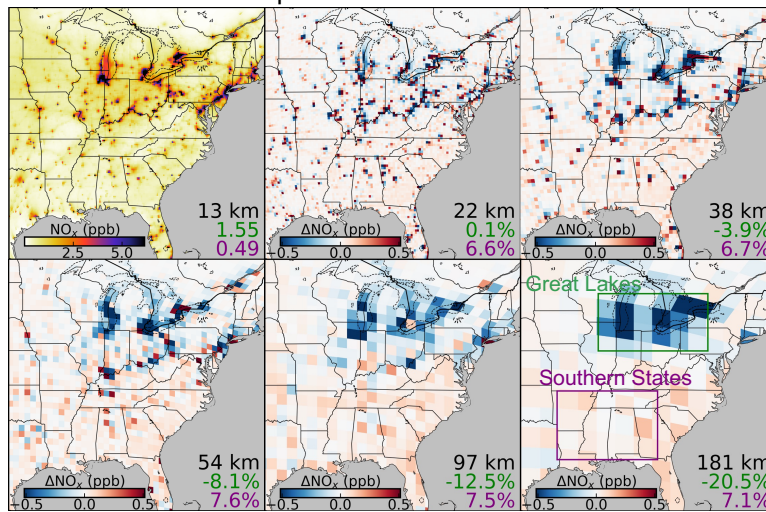
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Bindle et al., GMD, 2021



## Task 1: Demonstration of GCHP Resolution Capabilities and Benefits

### Identification of Location-specific Biases in Coarse Resolution Simulations



Regional mean values and biases inset

Li et al., ACP, 2023





## Task 1: Custom Cataloging System to Manage Input Data

- Extensive input data for GCHP (> million files, > 100 TB)
- Created Bashdatacatalog to facilitate downloading and synchronizing local data collections with the GEOS-Chem online data repository
- Can query local data collections to identify missing files, or damaged files (not bitwise identical to remote files)
- Can format results into a) URL down list, b) Globus transfer list, c) rsync transfer list, or d) simple file list
- Dashboard available  
<http://geoschemdata.wustl.edu/ExtData/Reports/CollectionSi>

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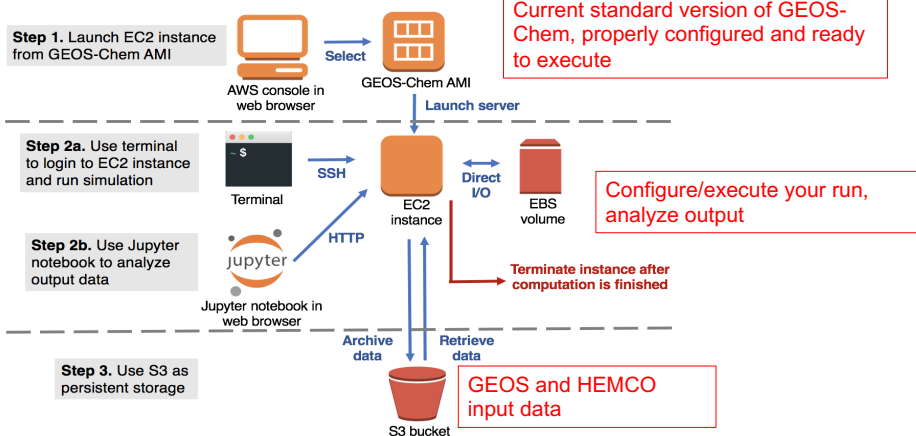
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## GCHP on the AWS cloud

### GEOS-Chem research workflow on the AWS cloud



Zhuang et al., JAMES 2020

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## Task 1: Progress on Cloud Pipelines: Application to Benchmarking

- Dashboard available at <https://gc->

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### GC Testing Dashboard

#### Registered Simulations

Filters ▼

Simulation ID	Date	Status	Code Url	Site	Description
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<a href="#">gchp-c24-1Hr-14.2.0-alpha.14-2-gc710de8</a>	2023-06-05	SUCCESSFUL	<a href="#">c710de8</a>	AWS	1Hr gchp benchmark simulation using 'c710de8'

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## Tasks 2 & 3: Adaptive Chemical Solver (1 of 2)

Locally reduce chemical mechanism on the fly where full complexity not needed (slow species)

(R1)  $B + C \rightarrow A + \text{products}$  (R2)  $A + C \rightarrow \text{products}$  (R3)  $C + X \rightarrow \text{products}$

(a) Full Mechanism

$$J_{\text{full}} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} A & B & C \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial r_A}{\partial [A]} & \frac{\partial r_A}{\partial [B]} & \frac{\partial r_A}{\partial [C]} \\ \frac{\partial r_B}{\partial [A]} = 0 & \frac{\partial r_B}{\partial [B]} & \frac{\partial r_B}{\partial [C]} \\ \frac{\partial r_C}{\partial [A]} & \frac{\partial r_C}{\partial [B]} & \frac{\partial r_C}{\partial [C]} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Sparse Jacobian:

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NVAR:      3  LU_NONZERO:  8
LU_IROW:   1 1 1 2 2 3 3 3
LU_ICOL:   1 2 3 2 3 1 2 3
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(b) Reduced Mechanism (B is slow)

$$J_{\text{reduced}} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} A & B & C \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial r_A}{\partial [A]} & & \frac{\partial r_A}{\partial [C]} \\ & & & \\ \frac{\partial r_C}{\partial [A]} & & \frac{\partial r_C}{\partial [C]} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Sparse Jacobian:

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NVAR:      3  LU_NONZERO:  8
LU_IROW:   1 1 1 2 2 3 3 3
LU_ICOL:   1 2 3 2 3 1 2 3
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Reduced mechanism  
With same data structure and memory space

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rNVAR:     2
cNVAR:     4
JVS_MAP:   1 3 6 8
cLU_IROW:  1 1 2 2 - - -
cLU_ICOL:  1 2 1 2 - - -
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Modular and released as KPP 3.0

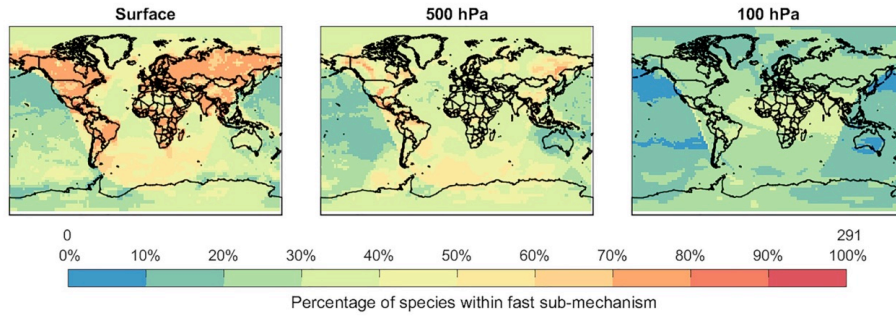
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## Task 2: Adaptive Chemical Solver (2 of 2)

Reduces cost of chemical calculations in free troposphere, stratosphere, and at night where chemistry less complex



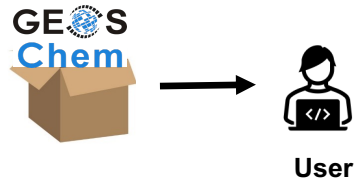
Benchmark tests achieved 30% speedup of chemical integration with errors < 1%

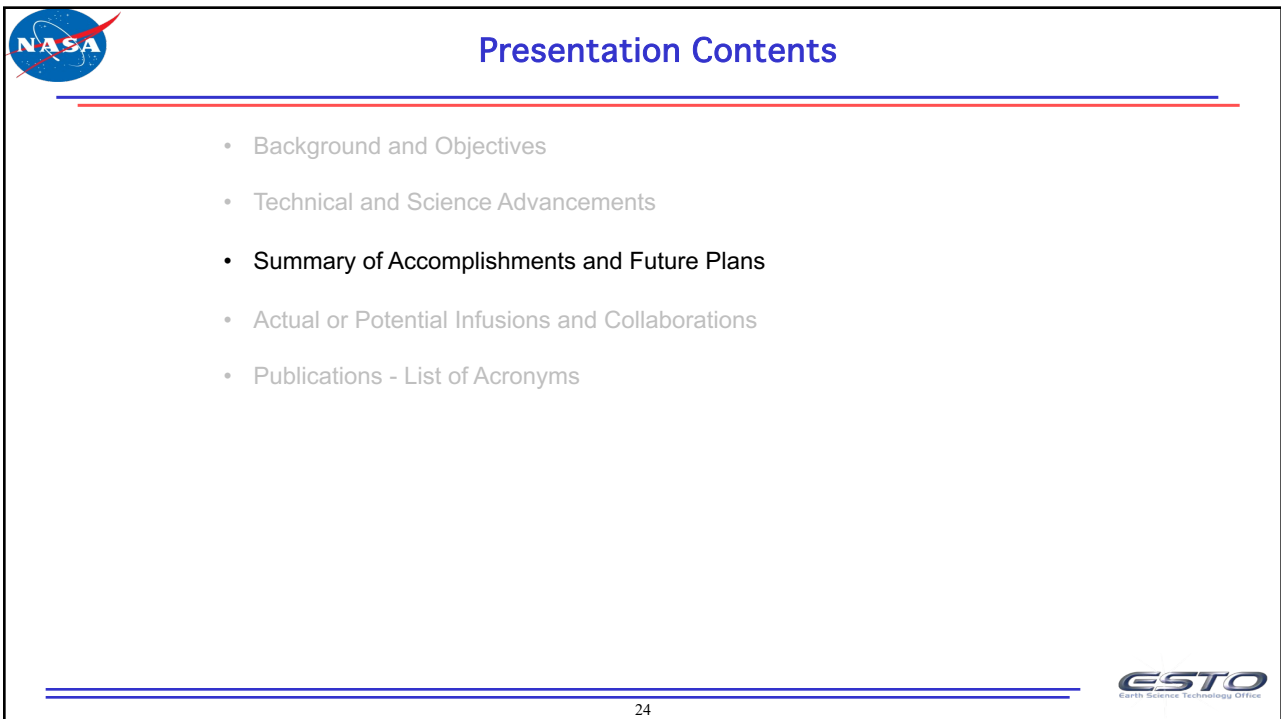
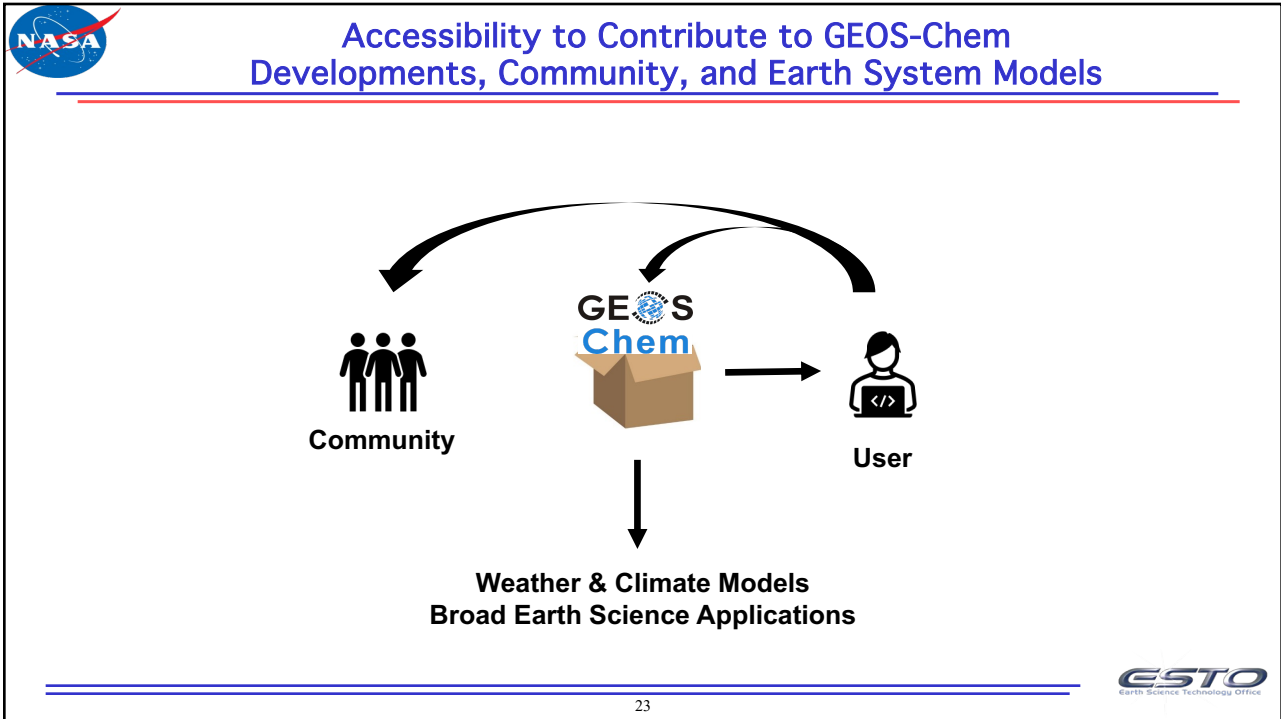
Full mechanism has 291 species and 913 reactions

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## Accessibility to Contribute to GEOS-Chem Developments, Community, and Earth System Models







## Current State

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**Task 1:** Completed demonstration of capabilities and cataloging system for input data. Continuing to develop automated pipelines on the cloud;

**Task 2:** Completed adaptive chemical solver. Developing aerosol microphysics capability and conducting studies of smart load balancing;

**Task 3:** Completed modularization of chemical solver. Conducting work to modularize thermodynamics solver.



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## Actual or Potential Transfers and Infusions

- Technology transfer = transferring technology via licensing, open-sourcing, or public domain release (including through a NASA Technology Transfer Program)
- **GCHP is publicly available at [www.geos-chem.org](http://www.geos-chem.org) with documentation at [gchp.readthedocs.io](http://gchp.readthedocs.io). The latest GCHP version (14.1.1) is available at [zenodo.org/record/7696683](https://zenodo.org/record/7696683).**
- Infusion = adoption of technology by an individual organization or project
- **Known infusions: Harvard, MIT, Washington University, CU Boulder, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory, University of York, Laboratoire d'Aerologie, University of Wollongong, University of Toronto, Colorado State University, Centre for Research on Energy and Clean Air, Peking University, Southern University of Science and Technology, Tsinghua University**
- **Potential infusions: the GEOS-Chem community, air quality managers, and beyond**



- Knowledge transfer = transfer of ideas or knowledge generated and included in an AIST funded technology: **AQ ACF, GEOS-CF**



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## Actual or Potential Transitions and Collaborations

- Transition = when a technology continues to evolve or develop within a new program (NASA or non-NASA) including transition to a new domain application such as from the space domain to the medical domain.
- **Current Transition: GMAO**
- **Potential Transition:**
  - **NASA Carbon Monitoring System Flux Project (CMS-Flux)**
  - **NCAR Community Earth System Model (CESM)**
  - **NOAA Unified Forecast System (UFS)**
  - **NASA TEMPO satellite mission**
  - **Environmental health domain**
- Provide a summary of actual or potential collaborations
  - Including NASA or non-NASA collaborations
  - **Atmospheric chemistry community**
  - **Satellite remote sensing community**
  - **Environmental health community**



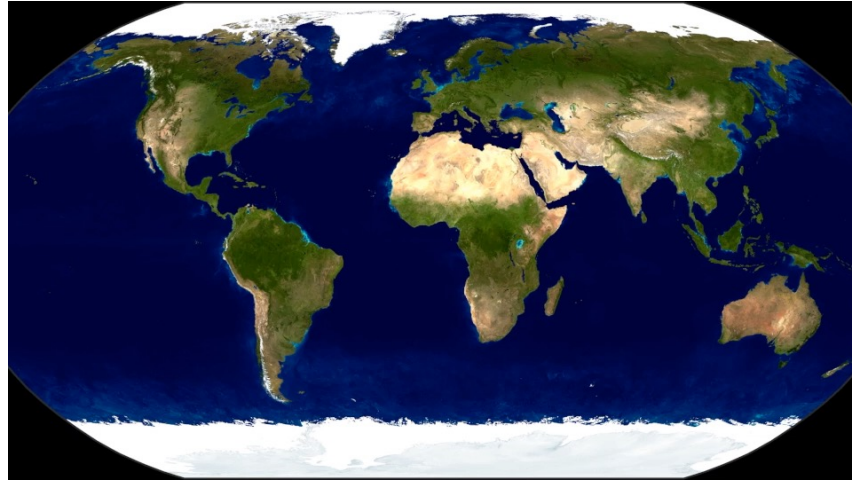
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## Potential to Infer CO<sub>2</sub> Fluxes From Satellite Observations

GEOS-Chem High Performance, C360



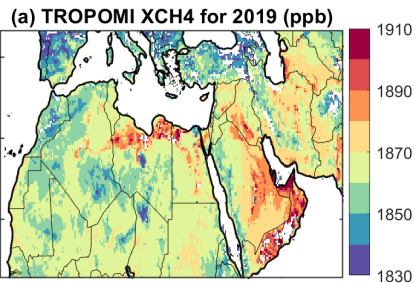
Kevin Bowman (JPL) and Junjie Liu (Arizona State University)



## Potential to Extend to Methane Fluxes

Using TROPOMI to evaluate UNFCCC national emission reports

- Optimize emissions for 23 countries in Middle East and N. Africa at 25-km resolution
- Now tiling the world to quantify emissions from all countries



Prior  $\equiv$  UNFCCC

Inversion using  
GEOS-Chem

Country		Oil	Gas	Livestock	Coal	Waste	Rice	Other	Anthropogenic total (Tg a <sup>-1</sup> )	Sensitivity to observations <sup>b</sup>
Algeria	Posterior	0.08	2.0	0.43	0	0.95	0	0.01	3.5 (2.4-4.4)	0.84
	Prior	0.04	1.0	0.29	0	0.65	0	0.01	2.0	
Bahrain	Posterior	0.14	0.07	0	0	0.19	0	0.02	0.42 (0.39-0.43)	0.91
	Prior	0.17	0.03	0	0	0.06	0	0.01	0.27	
Egypt	Posterior	0.35	0.15	0.78	0	1.6	0.35	0.12	3.4 (2.5-4.0)	0.96
	Prior	0.24	0.07	0.41	0	0.71	0.15	0.06	1.7	
Iran	Posterior	0.78	1.0	1.20	0.04	1.7	0.22	0.32	5.3 (5.0-5.5)	0.97
	Prior	2.6	0.52	0.65	0.02	0.81	0.13	0.14	4.9	
Iraq <sup>c</sup>	Posterior	1.2	0.04	0.17	0	0.73	0.02	0.05	2.2 (1.8-3.1)	0.98
	Prior	2.9	0.03	0.14	0	0.54	0.01	0.04	3.7	

Etc. (all 23 countries)

Chen, Jacob, et al., ACP, 2023





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## Acronyms

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- |         |   |
|---------|---|
| • ESMF  | Earth System Modeling Framework         |
| • GCHP  | GEOS-Chem High Performance              |
| • GEOS  | Goddard Earth Observation System        |
| • GMAO  | Global Modeling and Assimilation Office |
| • HEMCO | Harvard-NASA Emission Component         |
| • KPP   | Kinetic PreProcessor                    |
| • MAPL  | Modeling Analysis and Prediction Layer  |
| • TRL   | Technology Readiness Level              |





# A Framework for Global Cloud-Resolving OSSEs

Thomas Clune(PI, NASA GSFC)  
Arlindo da Silva (Science-PI, NASA GSFC)

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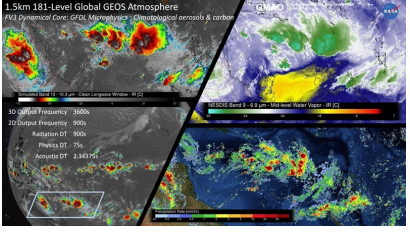


## A Framework for Global Cloud-Resolving OSSEs

PI: Thomas Clune, NASA GSFC

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To design, implement, and deploy an efficient framework for efficiently performing high spatial and temporal resolution global cloud-resolving Observing System Simulation Experiments (OSSEs). Among the many applications of global cloud resolving OSSEs is the development of missions comprising NASA's Earth System Observatory (ESO), from the design of space mission architectures, to the exploration of the possibilities that the new observing system offers to science and applications, well before launch.



Example GEOS Non-Hydrostatic DYAMOND Phase-II Simulations. The aim is to simulate the most important scales of the full three-dimensional fluid dynamics of the atmospheric circulation

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- Achieve high temporal resolution  $O(\sim 1 \text{ minute})$  by leveraging the identically configured model to generate intermediate model states on demand from a relatively thin set of reference nature run checkpoints.
- Define a simple API for custom geometry products and implement 4 concrete instances. Allow for custom data formats including JEDI IODA.
- Demonstrate framework by using custom geometry products with a suite of L1 simulators.


**Co-Is/Partners:** A. da Silva, W. Putman, R. Todling, V. Buchard, D. Posselt (JPL), & D. Duffy


• Requirements analysis and design	01/23
• Reference Nature Runs Completed	<del>05/23</del> 09/23
• All samplers implemented	07/23
• All L2 Simulations Completed	<del>08/23</del> 11/23
• All L1 Simulations Completed	07/24

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# Project Objectives



### Science and Technology Objectives

- Enable global storm resolving Observing System Simulation Experiments (OSSEs)
- Enable simulation of past, present and future observing systems from global storm resolving Nature Runs.
- Address computational challenges that prevent existing technologies from scaling to spatial resolutions that will be needed by end of the decade.

### Application Objectives

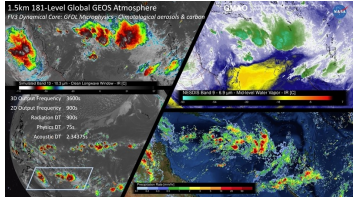
- Leverage and engage the *Joint Effort for Data Assimilation Integration* (JEDI) community by providing simulation of NWP observing system including all-sky radiances, accounting for the effect of aerosols
- Enable simulation of PBL related observables, engaging the *Decadal Survey Incubator* (DSI) PBL community
- Engage the Earth System Observatory (DSO) missions in development (AOS, SBG) by providing atmospheric Nature Runs for realistic observing system simulations enabling algorithm development, science and application demonstrations well before launch.


### Benefits to Earth Science

- Bridges the gap between advanced earth system modeling and realistic simulation of future observing systems
- Early development of new concepts in model-data fusion enabling science investigations aimed at elucidating physical processes and their representation in models.


### Relationship to ES Digital Twins

- Develops a framework for producing advanced global storm Nature Runs that are **Digital Replicas** of the Earth System
- Provide a framework for observing system simulations and tools to conduct *what-if* investigations and trade studies for the benefit of NASA missions in development.

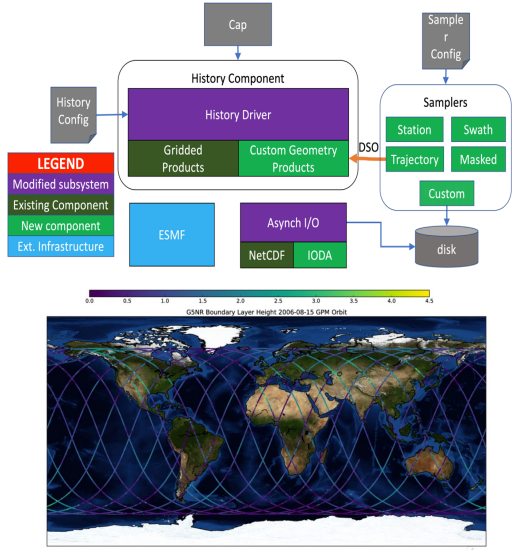





# Technology Approach




- Extend parallel I/O capabilities of the GEOS model by including on-line sampling of *Geophysical Variables* at observation locations
  - ground stations, aircraft trajectories, satellite swaths
- Two-phase workflow for generating Nature Runs
  - 1) Model is spun up in a run with limited output except for frequent checkpoints and browse products
  - 2) Model is run from spun up checkpoints with output sampled at user specified observation locations
- Definition of a flexible API for custom geo-location samplers, allowing maximum flexibility

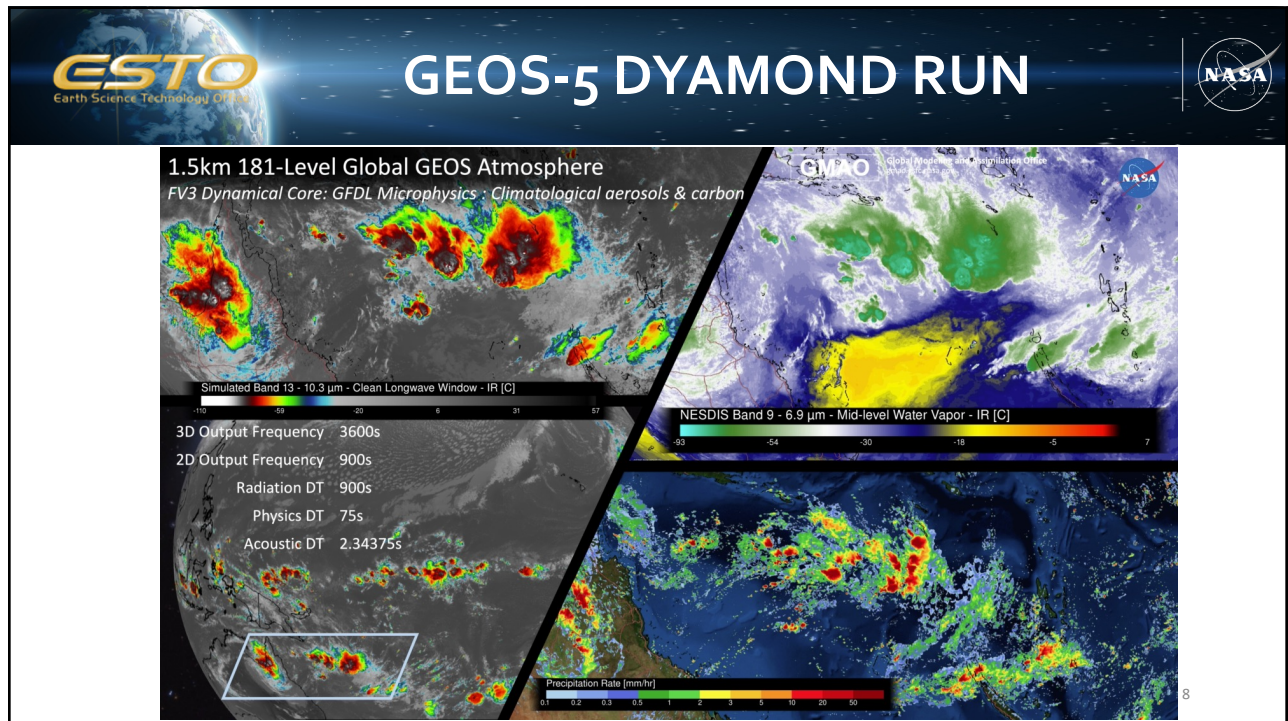
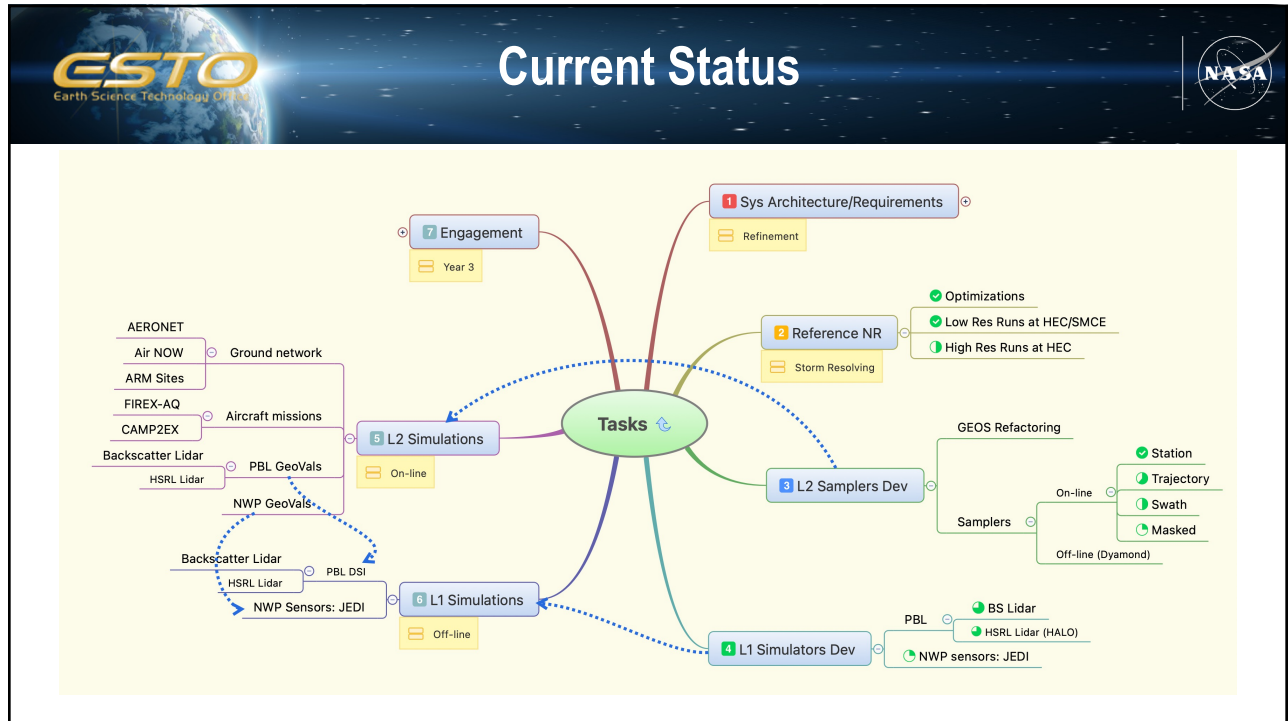




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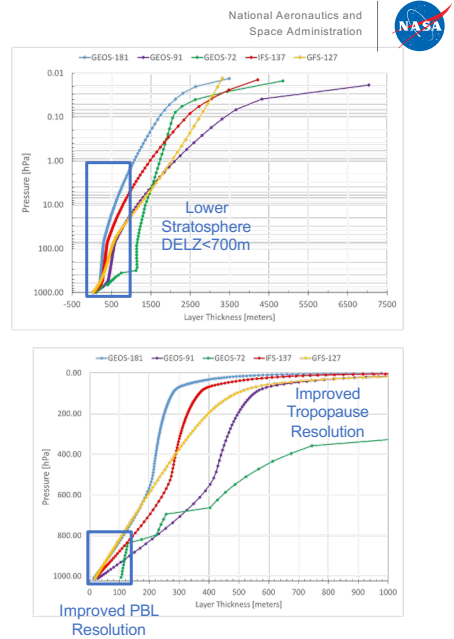
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# Earth System Model: GEOS-6

- ✓ **GEOS-6 'Krok' v11 Release**
  - support for 72L, 91L, 137L and 181L and stretched grid options
- ✓ **Non-Hydrostatic FV3/TRB/GWD/MST/UW** [reduce vertical resolution sensitivity]
- ✓ **Refactored GEOS moist physics** [two primary microphysics options]:
  - GFDL-Microphysics [6-phase, single moment, numerous NASA modifications]
  - Morrison-Gettleman-Barahona 2-moment cloud microphysics [MG3]
  - GF2020 [Grell-Freitas Deep convective updates and new tunings]
  - UW Shallow Convection [improved connections with Turbulence/PBL]
  - CCpp option for running with GFSv16 physics
- ✓ **GWD tuning for improved QBO and NWP skill**
  - NCAR new GWD [background and mountain ridge orographic schemes]
  - BKG: Richter et al, 2010: <https://doi.org/10.1175/2009.JAS3112.1>
  - ORO: Based on Scinocca and McFarlane, 2000: <https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.49712656802>
- ✓ **Land model** [new MODIS snow albedo treatment]
- ✓ **EDMF-SHOC** [unified boundary layer scheme]
  - Completed but disabled by default
- ✓ Includes option to run RRTMGP LW+SW
- ✓ **GOCART-2G** [Improved efficiency and reduced code complexity]

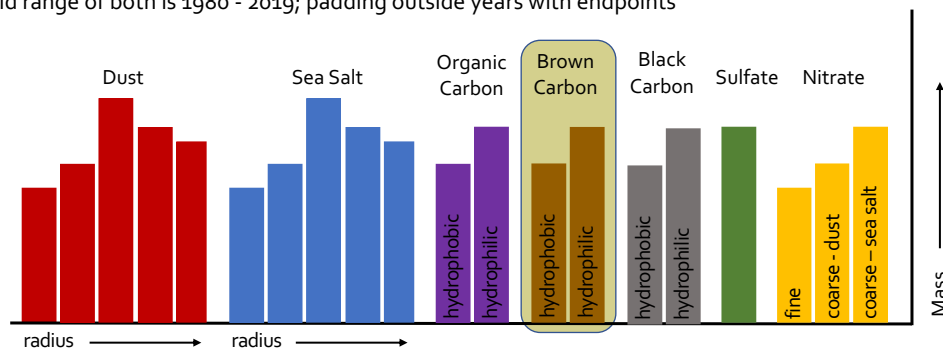


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# Science Changes Bundled with GOCART-2G

- Separation of organic aerosol into "white" (anthropogenic) and "brown" (biomass burning) components with distinct optical properties
- Increase OA:OC ratio in line with recent airborne measurements
- Inclusion of an AChem-driven **SOA scheme** for anthropogenic and biomass burning sources
- Inclusion of a **HEMCO/MEGAN-driven biogenic SOA scheme**
- Introduction of "point wise" source emissions for pyroCb inputs
- Update anthropogenic emissions to downscaled-**CEDS emission** inventory and input oxidant fields to MERRA-2 GMI (valid range of both is 1980 - 2019; padding outside years with endpoints)



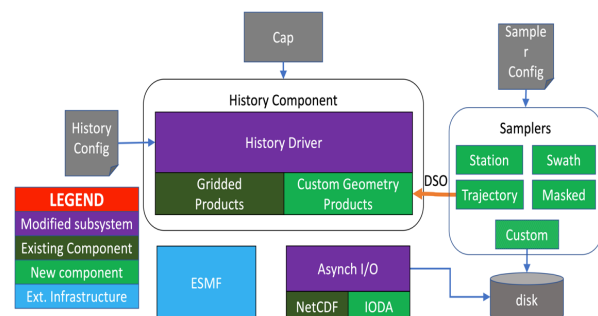
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- Refactored the GEOS Moist Physics component
  - Reduced memory footprint by eliminating extra copies of tracers
- Addressed other issues at high processor count
  - Eliminated global array allocation on all sub-domains
  - Addressed corner case involving coarse I/O at high processor count (work starvation)
- Demonstrated 3 km global runs on 25K and 50K cores
  - Throughput is ~15 days/day on 50K cores with 75s physics timestep
- With those fixes, we are confident that 1.5 km run now fits (an runs) in 50K core footprint
  - Estimate ~2-3 days/day for 1.5 km with 30s-45s physics timestep
  - Reservation on Aitken for next week
- (A lower resolution run has also been demonstrated on AWS on a pcluster.)

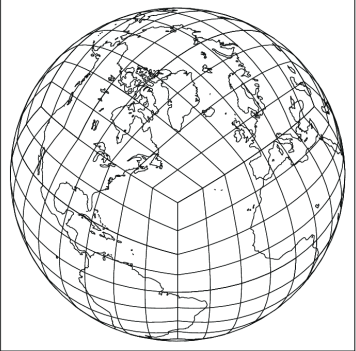
- **History** is a flexible component enabling all GEOS product suites
  - Choice of any variable exported by any component
  - New variables defined by a powerful expression parser
  - Runtime specified grids and resolutions
  - Arbitrary time frequency
  - Instantaneous or time average output
- This project extends **History** by providing output on new measurement-oriented geometries
  - Stations, trajectories, swath
  - Retains all other flexibility






# Foundation: ESMF Regridding






GEOS Atmospheric Grid  
(ESMF Cubed-sphere Grid)

ESMF Regrid



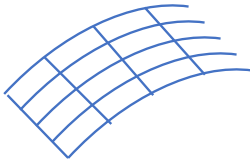


ESMF  
LocStream

- Station
- Trajectory


Various regrid options:

- Bilinear
- Conservative
- Masking
- Etc.




ESMF  
Logically rectangular Grid

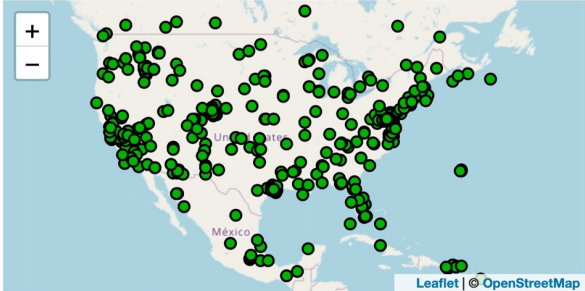
- Swath



# Station Sampler




- Produce time series output at list of fixed geolocations
- Implementation
  - Geolocations represented as *fixed* LocStream
  - ESMF Regrid weights computed just once at beginning of execution




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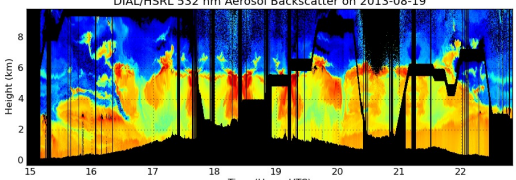
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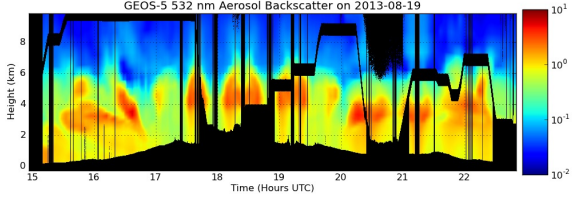
# Trajectory Sampler



- In its simplest form, a trajectory is aircraft or satellite track indexed by time
  - Example: lidar curtain
- More generally, it is a sequence of triplets (time, longitude, latitude) which can be sorted by time
  - Example: NWP data after cloud screening and quality control
- Approach:
  - Nearest neighbor time interpolation within model time step
  - ESMF regrid capability used to go from cubed-sphere to location streams




DIAL/HSRL 532 nm Aerosol Backscatter on 2013-08-19




GEOS-5 532 nm Aerosol Backscatter on 2013-08-19

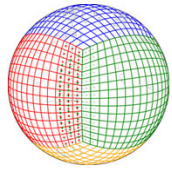
GEOS-5 Backscatter compared to DIAL/HSRL Lidar on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 during SEAC4RS.

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# Swath sampler





Model

time ↑

regrid →

regrid →

regrid →

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regrid →

Epoch 2

Regrid weights (re)computed for each epoch

T<sub>6</sub>

T<sub>5</sub>

T<sub>4</sub>

Epoch 1

Regrid weights (re)computed for each epoch

T<sub>3</sub>

T<sub>2</sub>

T<sub>1</sub>

δT

δT (timestep)

→ disk

Granule 2


→ disk

Granule 1


across track

Each Regrid operation is a parallel sparse Matrix vecor multiply

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# Masked Sampler




- Basic concept:
  - Output variables on full model grid
  - Mask out unobserved gridcells
  - Rely on compression to reduce data volume & reduce I/O time
- Useful when swath resolution  $\gg$  model resolution
  - Regridding to finer grid is unnecessarily expensive
- Desired: include halo (ghost) cells in output to support offline gradients
- Challenges
  - Cannot combine multiple timesteps into one file (obs can overlap)
  - Computing mask halo is a bit more convoluted than one might expect

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# Observation Simulators





- **Lidar and PBL**
  - Lidar observables (backscatter, extinction and total attenuated backscatter) have been implemented natively in GEOS
  - Sampling these along lidar trajectory will provide the relevant L1 simulations
  - While PBL Height is available as native GEOS diagnostic, and a lidar derived estimate (from extinction and backscatter profiles) are yet to be developed
- An in-depth analysis has been conducted and strategy has been devised for simulation the conventional and satellite **NWP observing system**.
- Work on L1/L2 simulations will start on next quarter

Aircraft	AIRS-AQUA	AMSU-A AQUA	AMSU-A MetOp-A	AMSU-A MetOp-B
AMSU-A MetOp-C	AMSU-A NOAA15	AMSU-A NOAA18	AMSU-A NOAA19	HIRS4 MetOp-A
HIRS4 MetOp-B	HIRS4 NOAA19	MHS MetOp-A	MHS MetOp-B	MHS NOAA19
Radiosonde	satwind	SEVIRI M08	SST	

All operational NWP instruments used at NOAA/NWS/EMC for global GFS forecasts have been implemented in JEDI's Unified Forward Operator (UFO) component.



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# Summary of Accomplishments

- Have identified several scalability concerns/bugs
  - Have demonstrated 3km resolution on 50k cores with desired GEOS config
  - Optimistically, no new problems will be revealed at 1.5k / 50k cores.
- Samplers
  - Implementation of **station** and **swath** samplers is complete
  - **Trajectory** is near completion – optimization for large trajectories
  - Initial design of **masked** sampler complete
- Created capability for testing using offline data for testing L2 simulators.
  - A device for sampling and previously produced NR





## Future Plans

- Once 1.5 km configuration has been verified, reproduce complete workflow with low resolution NR:
  - Produce low resolution reference NR
  - Sample geophysical variables at all geometries, including complete NWP observing system
  - Complete development of L1 simulators
  - Produce Level 1 & 2 simulations based on low-res NR
- Start production runs for high-res NR (1-2 months of wall time!)
- Once high-res NR is complete, exercise/optimize full workflow
  - Demonstrate ability to retrieve high spatiotemporal samples
  - Profile/optimize system, ensuring scalability
  - Produce L1/L2 simulations based on high-resolution NR



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## Infusions and Collaborations

- **Infusion: AOS**
  - Global storm resolving nature runs will be provided to the Atmospheric Observing System (AOS) for simulation of their observing system and design of their science data systems.
- **Collaborations**
  - Other NASA centers (JPL, ARC): through close with AOS project
  - NCAR (ESMF core team): optimization of ESMF regridding with custom geometries
  - Collaboration with the 2017 Decadal Survey Incubator (DSI) PBL including multiple investigators from GSFC, JPL, and LaRC



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# Publications

- None yet

# List of Acronyms

- AOS Atmosphere Observing System
- C5760 Cubed-sphere with 5760 gridcells per edge. ~1.5 km global resolution
- DSI Decadal Survey Incubator
- GEOS Goddard Earth Observing System Earth System Model
- ESMF Earth System Modeling Framework (ESTO funded)
- NR Nature Run
- OSSE Observing System Simulation Experiment
- TLE Two-line element orbital specification



# GEOS Visualization And Lagrangian dynamics Immersive eXtended Reality Tool (VALIXR) for Scientific Discovery

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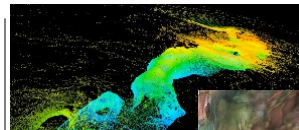
## GEOS Visualization And Lagrangian dynamics Immersive eXtended Reality Tool (VALIXR) for Scientific Discovery

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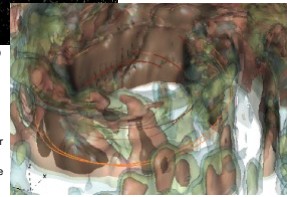
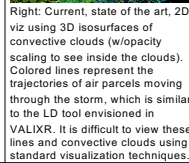
### Objective

Develop a scientific exploration and analysis mixed reality (XR) tool with integrated Lagrangian Dynamics (LD) for the Goddard Earth Observing System (GEOS) numerical weather prediction model to help scientists identify, track, and understand the evolution of Earth Science phenomena. VALIXR will:

- Enhances GEOS to calculate Lagrangian trajectories of specific Earth Science phenomena and output budget terms (e.g., momentum) and parcel attributes (e.g., temperature) that describe their dynamics
- Enhance the NASA open source XR tool, the Mixed Reality Exploration Toolkit (MRET), to visualize and animate GEOS fields and new LD trajectories
- Enable scientists to identify, track and understand various ES phenomena in a Lagrangian reference frame with budget terms to describe their dynamics



Top: Viz of Point Clouds in VR. A similar viz of GEOS model data will be created; imagine an animated smoke plume point cloud, colored by temperature.



### Approach

1. Create an open-source point cloud visualization component for MRET
2. Enhance MRET with LD tools for the initialization, finalization and visualization of trajectories with associated dynamic budget terms, and to output a parameter package for use in GEOS model runs
3. Integrate GTraj into GEOS to calculate Lagrangian trajectories of specific Earth Science phenomena and output budget terms that describe their dynamics
4. Apply VALIXR to Earth Science phenomena (deep moist convection and wildfires)

**Co-Is/Partners:** Tom Clune, Leslie Lait, GSFC, Steve Guimond, Don Engel, UMBC; Matthias Zwicker, Roger Eastman, UMD; Ruth West, UNT

### Key Milestones

- Requirements, preliminary design, prototyping 12/22
- VALIXR B1 (PC beta, LD, GTraj, TRL 4) 07/23
- VALIXR B2, Use Cases, Human Factors (TRL 5) 01/24
- VALIXR Final, Full Use Cases (TRL 6) 07/24

TRL<sub>in</sub> = 3    TRL<sub>current</sub> = 3





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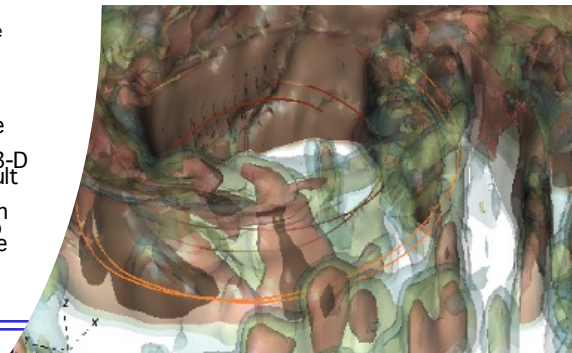
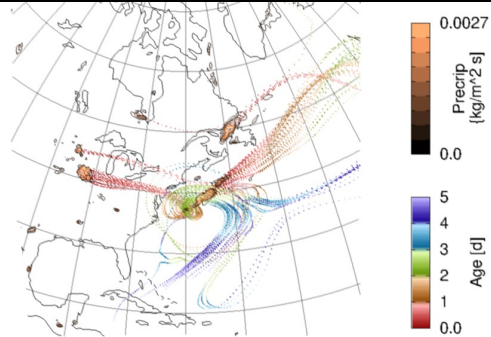
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## Background / Objectives

- Traditionally, scientists view and analyze the result of calculated or measured observables with static 1-D, 2-D or 3-D plots.
  - Difficult to identify, track and understand the evolution of key features due to poor viewing angles and the nature of flat computer screens.
  - Numerical models, such as the NASA GEOS climate model, are almost exclusively formulated and analyzed on Eulerian grids with points fixed in space and time.
- However, atmospheric phenomena such as convective clouds, hurricanes and wildfire smoke plumes move with the 3-D flow field, and it is often difficult and unnatural to understand these phenomena in an Eulerian reference frame as opposed to the Lagrangian reference frame in which nature operates.

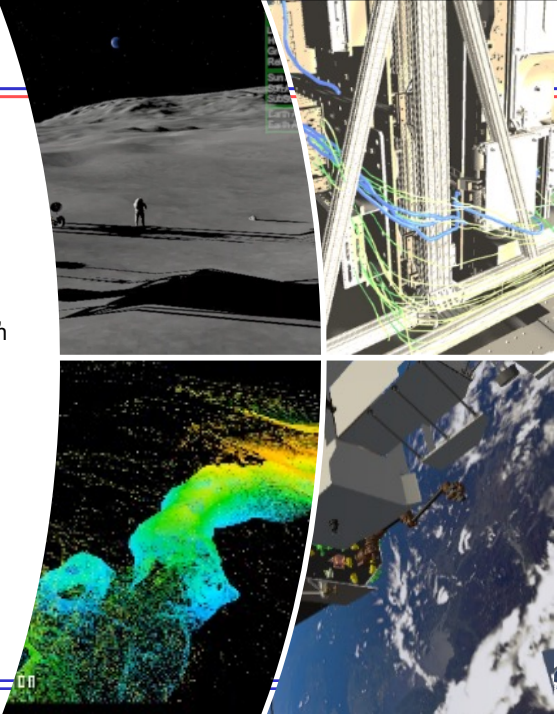







## Background / Objectives

We propose to develop a scientific exploration and analysis mixed augmented and virtual reality tool with integrated Lagrangian Dynamics (LD) to help scientists identify, track, and understand the evolution of Earth Science phenomena in the NASA GEOS model. VALiXR will:

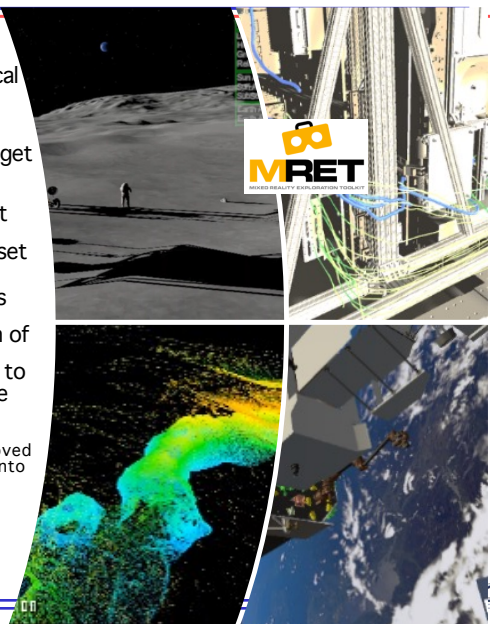


- Enhance GEOS to calculate Lagrangian trajectories of Earth Science phenomena and output budget terms (e.g., momentum) and parcel attributes (e.g., temperature) that describe their dynamics
- Enhance the NASA open source Extended Reality (XR, i.e., AR and VR) tool, the Mixed Reality Exploration Toolkit (MRET) developed by the PI, to visualize and animate GEOS fields as well as initialize and track LD features (i.e., parcel trajectories)

## Technology Approach



- Integrate Giga-parcel Trajectories (GigaTraj) software into GEOS numerical weather model to calculate Lagrangian trajectories of specific Earth Science phenomena and output budget terms that describe their dynamics
- Create an open-source point cloud component for visualizing and animating a set of point clouds netCDF files
- Enhance MRET with LD tools for the initialization, finalization and visualization of trajectories with associated dynamic budget terms, and to output a parameter package for use in GEOS model runs
  - Working closely with two universities to infuse improved human factors paradigms into the visualizations and interactions in XR

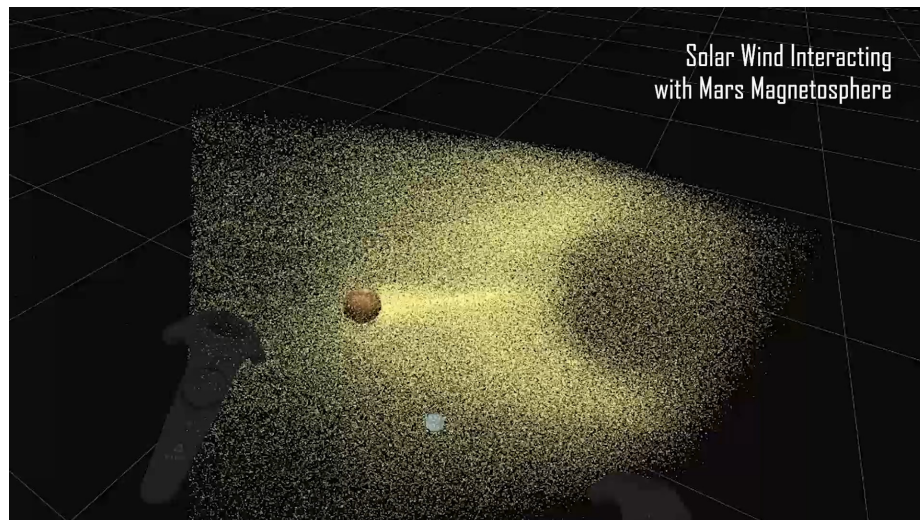


## Objectives

- VALIXR will provide Earth scientists:
  - Enhanced scientific discovery of key phenomena in the Earth system through the combination of advanced visualization and quantitative LD with NASA models and data
  - An immersive, interactive, and animated visualization of GEOS fields and particle trajectories to allow scientists to intuitively initialize LD for subsequent GEOS model runs
  - **Intuitive initialization, manipulation and interaction with GEOS data and trajectory paths through the use of XR**

To provide the tools to conduct “what-if” investigations that can result in actionable predictions

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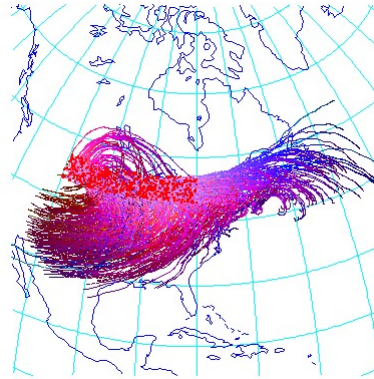
## 5 Major Components of VALIXR Work

- Integrate **Giga-particle Trajectories (GTraj)** software into **GEOS** to calculate Lagrangian trajectories of specific Earth Science phenomena and output budget terms that describe their dynamics
- Create **VALIXR XR Tool**:
  - Enhance the **Mixed Reality Exploration Toolkit (MRET)** with LD tools for the initialization, finalization and visualization of trajectories with associated dynamic budget terms
  - Create an open-source **Point Cloud visualization component** for MRET - Useful across NASA domains
  - Make it intuitive to understand and use - **Human Factors**
- Apply VALIXR to Earth Science phenomena (**2 Use Cases**: smoke plumes and overshooting convection among others)



## Integration of GigaTraj with GEOS

- GigaTraj provides the science-rich Lagrangian data that is visualized within VALIXR: large numbers of particles, each bearing multiple physical quantities to be examined, over simulation times of hours to weeks.
- GigaTraj successfully integrated into GEOS:
  - Has access to data at each model time step (less time interpolation needed)
  - Has access to all internal GEOS model variables
  - Currently performing detailed validation against standalone GigaTraj



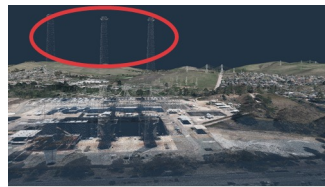
5-day forward trajectories from GigaTraj, initialized at 2021-07-15T12. Altitude is color-coded by hue, and age of the trajectory is color-coded by lightness. Initialization particle locations (randomly distributed within a rectangle of interest) are shown as bright red points

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## Enhance Point-Cloud Rendering through Neural Network Techniques



Holes and Gaps



Aliasing Artifacts

- Deferred rendering with 2D neural networks can enhance high-quality and real-time rendering of massive point clouds (~1B points)
  - Mitigate image artifacts in point-cloud rendering through neural network techniques
- Leverage same concept for efficient, high-quality visualization of point clouds in VALIXR

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Schütz, Markus, Bernhard Kerbl, and Michael Wimmer. "Rendering point clouds with compute shaders and vertex order optimization." *Computer Graphics Forum*. Vol. 40. No. 4. 2021.

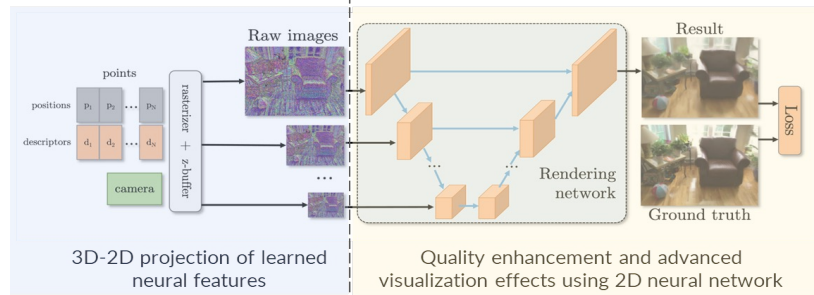


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## Point Clouds Plugin


- **Base Point Cloud Plugin Implementation**
  - Integrated open source point cloud implementation (Potree) able to handle hundreds of millions of points (static)
    - Foundation for neural network work by UMD
  - Added netCDF support
  - Need to add temporal support for lower resolution point clouds appropriate to VALIXR use cases
- **[OPTIONAL] Neural Net component for Point Cloud Rendering**
  - Enhance 3D point-cloud projection with deferred neural rendering in 2D
  - Increase rendering quality and enable advanced visualization effects efficiently using 2D neural network (hole filling, antialiasing, increase photorealism, stylization, superresolution, temporal effects, etc.)
  - Reduce point-cloud rendering cost - Neural-network based superresolution (useful for "filling" in point cloud results for lower resolutions GEOS runs)
  - Stylization - Learn suitable neural embeddings to enable different visualization paradigms and support human factors
  - Spatio-Temporal Optimization - Vector fields involve time-varying components, e.g. stream-line visualization



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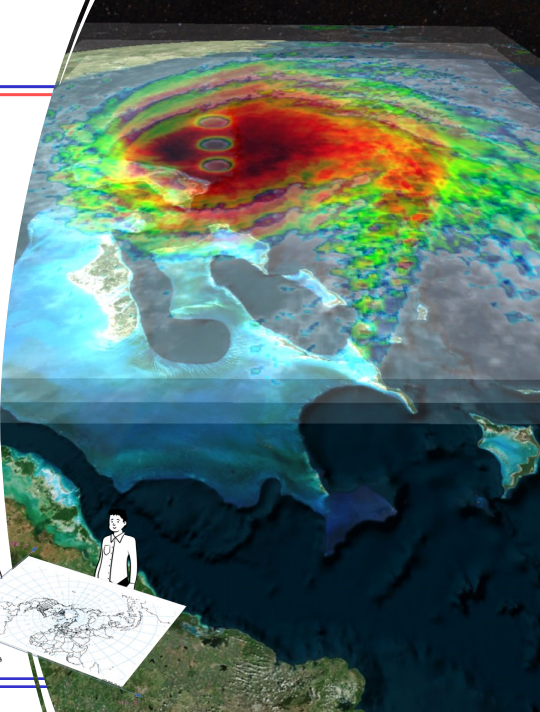








## VALIXR “Holographic Table” Viz Alpha

- On-demand tiling
- Geographical/Political Maps (dynamically loaded from Web Mapping Service or REST)
  - Supports multiple levels of detail (e.g. Bing Maps ~78km/pixel to ~0.3m/pixel)
- Elevation Data (dynamically loaded from Web Coverage Service or REST)
- Image overlay layers on base mesh for 2D data (PNG, JPEG, GeoTiff, NetCDF)
- Layer template representing 3D data (e.g. Tropopause) with a procedural mesh
- Projection support (Vertical Perspective, Equirectangular)
- Implemented library of common image processing functions that can be applied to layers

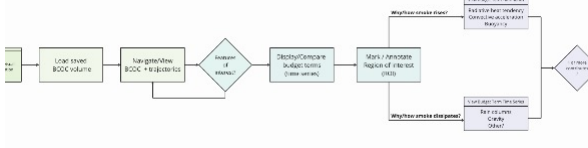




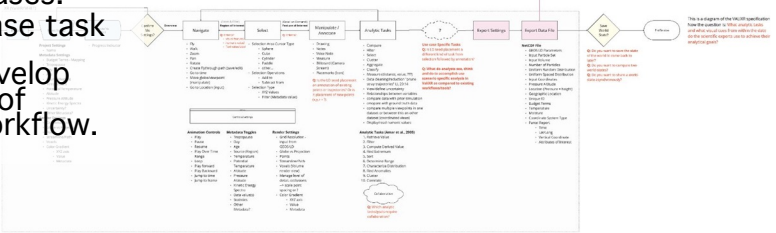


## Human Factors


- Conducted Cognitive Task Analysis (CTA) with science expert Co-I's to inform human-centered design of immersive analytic workflow for VALIXR.
- Developed task flow diagrams for application use cases.
- Generated task lists for each application area use case and identified shared tasks across use cases.
- Integrated use case task sequences with specification to develop preliminary design of VALIXR analytic workflow.



**Caption:** CTA captured four dimensions for each use case: task sequence, decision points in the task flow along with the decision making criteria utilized, data types, visualizations types in use. Standard flow diagram symbols are utilized to represent the task sequence. Task list generated based on task sequence.



This is a diagram of the task specification for the VALIXR analytic workflow. It shows the sequence of tasks and decision points for each use case. The tasks are organized into a hierarchical structure, with shared tasks identified across use cases. The diagram includes a legend for task symbols and a list of tasks with their associated data types and visualizations.





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## Overview (Plan)

- VALIXR B1 (Summer 2023) (TRL 4)
  - Delayed because of base point clouds implementation
  - First official version for scientists to try and give feedback
    - Basis for most Human Factors work
  - Integration of complete pipeline (TRL 4, Key, functionally critical, software components are integrated, and functionally validated, to establish interoperability)
- VALIXR B2 (Winter 2023-24) (TRL 5)
  - Use Cases (initial science use cases and human factors tests to inform new/modified features and GUI needed)
  - Human Factors
  - Feature Iteration
  - GEOS/GigaTraj Optimizations
- VALIXR Final
  - Full Use Cases
  - Feature Iteration
  - Optimizations



## GEOS/GigaTraj Integration

On schedule

- Integrated GigaTraj with GEOS is complete
  - GEOS has run “successfully” with GEOS+gigatraj with MERRA2 resolution. Output has been provided to Leslie Lait for validation
  - Performing validation on the integration
- Performing cleanup and refactoring
- Bulk of optimizations will be performed in the second year. These include running gigatraj on the native cubed-sphere grid rather than on interpolated lat-lon meteorological data.



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## Point Cloud Plugin

Behind schedule

- Researched scientific publications and available implementations to choose the most appropriate point cloud visualization approach for the foundation of neural network (NN)
- Base Point Cloud Plugin Implementation
  - Integrated open source point cloud implementation (Potree) able to handle hundreds of millions of points (static)
    - Foundation for neural network work by UMD
  - Added netCDF support
  - Limitations make it a bad long term fit
    - Preprocessing is needed to put point clouds into Octree format, which is unsuitable for many point cloud files for animation
    - No animation at this point
- Plans:
  - Add temporal support
  - Point Cloud Shader Implementation
    - Point cloud optimizations are done on the fly
    - Suitable for animation
    - Need to port C++ open source to C#/Unity



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## VALIXR (MRET)

### Behind schedule

- Integrated Customized (import netCDF files to create pre-optimized and static point clouds) Potree implementation into MRET
  - Adapted Potree implementation
  - Defined solution-agnostic interface to point cloud implementations
  - Created MRET Point Cloud Manager that facilitates MRET user interactions to various (existing and future) Point Cloud components that must work in MRET, starting with the aforementioned customized Potree implementation. This System Manager will function as an abstraction between MRET and different Point Cloud implementations.
- Created GEOS Exporter for selected point clouds, which is needed for subsequent GEOS runs
- Created Volume Selection GUI (for selecting points), including sphere, cube, and cylinder
- Developed MRET “Holographic Table” alpha
- Plans:
  - Integrate all the parts together
  - Complete development of VALIXR Holographic Table
  - Add Isosurface visualization (new requirement)
  - Improve point clouds plugin
  - Iterate based on scientists’ feedback and human factors

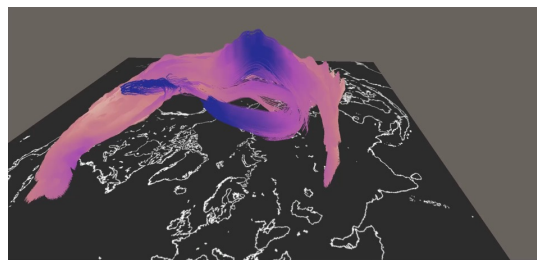
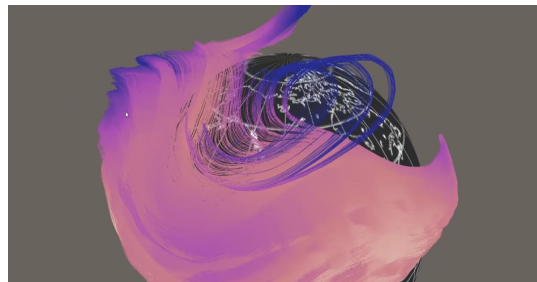
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## Human Factors

### On Schedule

- Human Factors is back on schedule for deliverables at end of May 2023.
- Heuristic evaluations depend on availability of trajectory and point cloud visualizations in VR and the user interface available for scientists to work with
- Conducted scientist interviews with Leslie Lait and Steve Guimond for task analysis and data abstractions
- Developed recommendations for visualization idioms
- Developed task flow diagrams for both science use cases and ValiXR



Vis idiom prelim sketches in Unity with synthetic trajectory data  
 Vertical: Pressure coordinates  
 Color encoding: warm-cool gradient: Temperature  
 Data: Synthetic test trajectory data from L. Lait

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## Issues

- VALIXR Point Clouds Plugin Base Implementation -
  - Initial miscommunication on who had responsibility for completing the initial base point cloud implementation in the proposal, leaving the requirement uncovered
  - Initial Point Clouds Implementation has been more difficult than anticipated. Attempts to translate the compute-shader-based approach (from GLSL to Unity HLSL) were unsuccessful because Unity shader language lacks support for key features (64-bit uint, etc.). We are writing the compute-shader-based implementation from scratch starting this summer, and plan to use Unity's Custom Render Pipeline to overcome the lack of features in HLSL that are crucial for optimizing arbitrarily large point clouds during runtime.
  - Impacted prototyping, infrastructure, and human factors with delay of VALIXR Alpha 1
  - Mitigation
    - Provided additional funding to UMBC to research and create base point cloud implementation. No impact to funding because of NASA VR Team underrunning.
    - Pursued 3 different solutions
    - Separated VALIXR Alphas into 2 deliverables that are decoupled until point clouds are ready
    - Hired XR Pathways Intern in June who has Unity shader experience
- Significant delays in the delivery of grants from NSSC to the Universities, especially UMBC which took until March (7 months)
- Underrunning on NASA VR Team
  - NASA AR/VR team was understaffed and underrunning through first 3 quarters after Dylan Baker left the NASA AR/VR team before the project start date. We were unable to get approval from the center for an external hiring point to replace him. Since January, we have added 2 XR Pathways interns, 2 Civil Servants (at 0.5 FTE each), and plan to have 4 interns this Summer.
- Human Factors team was understaffed due to challenges in student recruitment in first 6 months.



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## Infusion Potential



*Integrating GigaTraj with the GEOS model will enable a more natural, feature-specific analysis of Earth science phenomena compared to the current Eulerian (fixed grid points in space/time) nature of the GEOS model and its associated output.*

*Leveraging the NASA open source MRET tool and integrating it with a generalized open-source point cloud system has huge applicability to any Earth Science domain.*

- Lagrangian Dynamics and VALIXR visualizations has wide applicability in Earth Science, as well as even in Planetary Science and Astrophysics with appropriate back-end changes
  - Advances scientific understanding or diagnosis of the internal calculations in GEOS
  - Integrating the trajectory model with the GEOS system itself will provide access to such things as budget terms and dynamical feedback mechanisms that would otherwise be inaccessible
  - Unlike some trajectory models, the GigaTraj model can trace parcels kinematically (i.e., using vertical wind fields), isentropically (along surfaces of potential temperature), or diabatically (approximately along isentropic surfaces, while using diabatic heating fields to move the particles vertically), as conditions warrant

**We expect that users of the GEOS modeling system, including members of this proposal, will submit new proposals to NASA and possibly other agencies that will extend the life of the LD tool beyond that of AIST.**



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## Infusion Potential



*VALIXR MRET will provide an open source XR foundation for integration with Earth Science Digital Twin architectures and other weather (or really any point cloud generating) numerical models, and will be especially suited for the coming generation of fast turn-around, ML-enhanced numerical models.*

*An open-source XR software for animating and visualizing large point clouds has applicability for further research projects and applications even outside of NASA domains.*

- By leveraging MRET as a foundation for VALIXR, VALIXR has applicability in domains in both science and engineering. In addition, this project can take advantage of MRET funding received from missions for engineering domain tasks (i.e., outside the scope of this proposal) to help advance the overall maturity of the AIST application. **This will improve the chance of transitioning this work from its exit TRL 6 to higher TRLs with little to no additional funding.**
- We expect that students at UMD will continue developing the framework to continuously improve performance, add functionality, and integrate it into additional applications.
- We will continue to research effective point-cloud visualization techniques targeted at specific applications, and devising novel neural network-based data representation and rendering methods that advance the state of the art in terms of the point cloud sizes that can be visualized efficiently.



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## Infusion Potential (Letters of Endorsement)

- Dr. Rei Ueyama, Research Physical Scientist, Atmospheric Sciences Branch, Earth Science Division, NASA ARC
  - As a frequent user of trajectory models for both atmospheric science research and airborne mission forecasting and flight planning support, I can attest to the value that VALIXR can bring to scientists by improving the visualization (and thereby the interpretation of) air mass transport and evolution... Trajectory models are frequently used to identify the source region and history (e.g., convective influence) of sampled air parcels, which are critical for placing the *in situ* measurements in a larger atmospheric context... would be extremely valuable for visualizing and identifying the time and location of the densest part of the outflow plumes that we can target with the NASA high altitude ER-2 research aircraft.
- Dr. Nickolay Krotkov, Physical Research Scientist, Earth Sciences Division, NASA GSFC
  - A novel concept of VALIXR is that in addition to calculating point trajectories that can be continually initialized in GEOS, model equation terms such as SO<sub>2</sub> sources/sinks and volcanic ash radiative tendencies can be output along the trajectories. The VALIXR tool could be also used for numerous air-quality applications, such as connecting pollution source emissions and dry/wet deposition regions.
- Dr. Ryan M Stauffer, Research Physical Scientist, Atmospheric Chemistry and Dynamics Laboratory, NASA GSFC
  - VALIXR's intuitive visualizations and trajectory-initialization scheme will allow us to quantify the relationships among ozone, water vapor, convection, and pollution like never before in our 24+ year record.
- Dr. Brent Garry, Planetary Geology, Geophysics, and Geochemistry Lab (Code 698), NASA GSFC
  - VALIXR has cross-over application to planetary science for visualization of 3D planetary data sets and models. These include the animation of lava flowing across lunar and martian landscapes, models of plumes on planetary bodies (i.e., explosive ash plumes from volcanoes on Mars, water-ice plumes on Europa, and sulfur plumes on Io), and solar wind interaction with the lunar surface during robotic and crewed missions.



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- Grubb, T., Clune T., Lait L., Guimond S., Engel D., Zwicker M., Eastman R., West R., “Using XR For Improving Scientific Discovery With Numerical Weather Models,” International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS) Earth System Digital Twin session Paper, Pasadena, CA, July 16-21, 2023



## Acronyms

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AAS	American Astronomical Society
ACM	Association for Computing Machinery
ADAPT	Advanced Data Analytics Platform
AIAA	American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics
AIST	Advanced Information Systems Technology
API	Application Programming Interface
AR	Augmented Reality
CIF	Center Innovation Fund
COTS	Commercial Off-the-shelf
DEM	Digital Elevation Map
DCOTSS	Dynamics and Chemistry Of The Summer Stratosphere
ESTO	Earth Science Technology Office
GIS	Geographic Information System
GMAO	Global Modeling and Assimilation Office
GMAT	General Mission Analysis Tool
GMSEC	Goddard Mission Services Evolution Center
GSFC	Goddard Space Flight Center
GUI	Graphical User Interface
HUD	Heads Up Display
I/O	Input/Output
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IRAD	Internal Research & Development
IS&T	Information Science and Technology
JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
LIDAR	Light Detection and Ranging
LD	Lagrangian Dynamics
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NCAR	National Center for Atmospheric Research
NCCS	NASA Center for Climate Simulation
NSPIRES	NASA Solicitation and Proposal Integrated Review and Evaluation System
PCD	Point Cloud Data
PY	Program Year
ROSES	Research Opportunities in Space and Earth Sciences
SOTY	Software of the Year
TRL	Technology Readiness Level
UMBC	University of Maryland Baltimore County
UMD	University of Maryland (College Park)
UMIACS	University of Maryland Institute for Advanced Computer Studies
UNT	University of North Texas
VR	Virtual Reality
XR	Extended Reality (AR/VR/MR)







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# Reproducible Containers for Process-oriented Collaborative Analytics

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# Reproducible Containers for Process-oriented Collaborative Analytics

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## Objective

Develop and provide data-efficient containerization technology for use in the precipitation features (PF)-based Earth System Digital Twin (ESDT) to conduct process-oriented model diagnostics.

**Goals** are to improve shareability, reusability, and reproducibility of the precipitation feature- based ESDT.

Specific **performance goals** are reducing the size of containers and enable efficient parallel analytics on the cloud with reduced size containers.

Technologies include:

- *Sciunit*, an NSF-funded containerization technology,
- *STARE*, a NASA-funded spatiotemporal library, and
- *I/O specialization*, an SRI-developed framework for reducing pre-virtualization elements.

## Approach

Modify the existing PF-based ESDT by containerizing it with

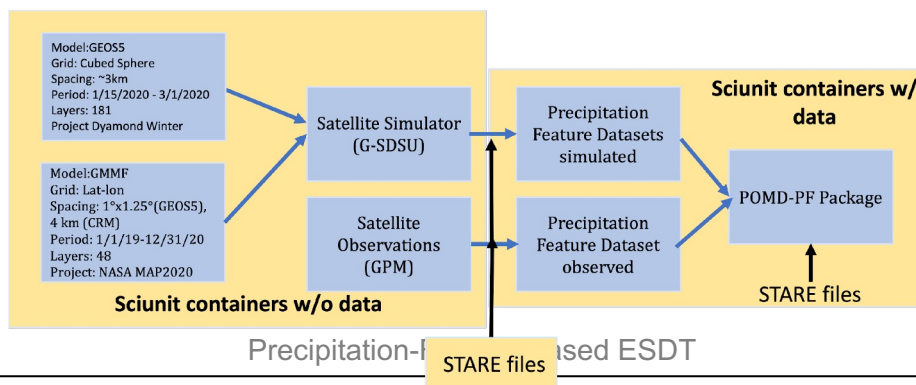
1. Sciunit containerization mechanism
2. Integrating Sciunit with (i) I/O specialization, and (ii) STARE.
3. Indexing model outputs in PF-based ESDT.

**Co-Is:** A. Gehani (SRI), K. Kuo (Bayesics), M. Rilee (Bayesics), J. Chern (UMD, College Park).

**Partner:** Thomas Clune (NASA)

An existing PF-based ESDT with model outputs and simulation-observation comparative analyses. (Blue boxes)

Containerizing the ESDT with Sciunit. (Yellow boxes)



## Key Milestones

- Containerize and open-source POMD-PF analysis package. 01/23
- Index model outputs in PF-based ESDT. 03/23
- Sciunit +I/O-specialized +STARE library (TRL 6) 08/23
- Demonstration use cases on PF-based ESDT 01/24
- ESDT Prototype Activity (TRL 7) 03/25

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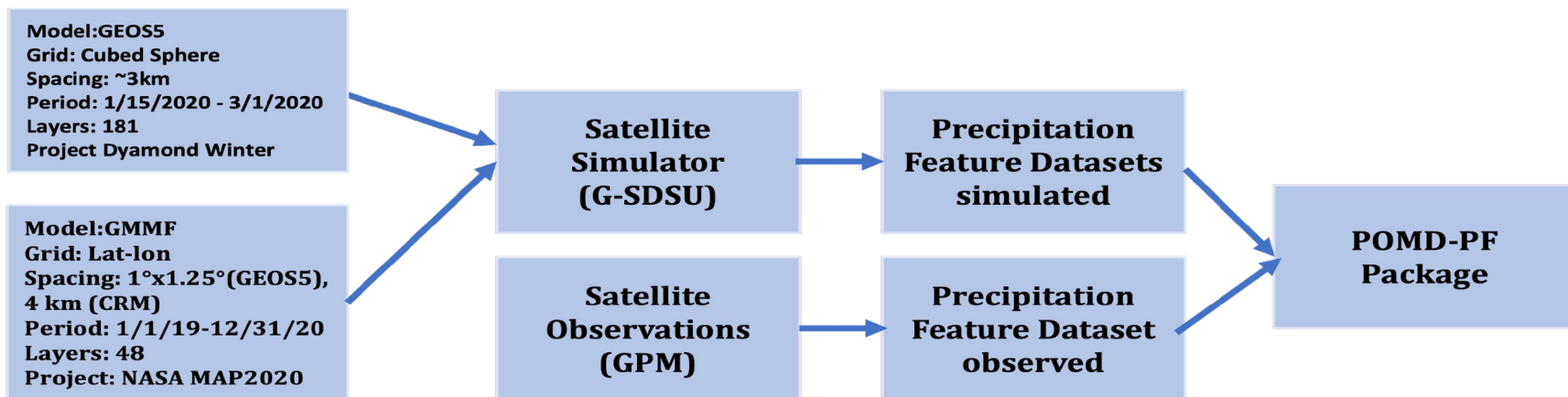
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## Background / Objectives

This project contributes to: Climate Variability and Change

**Science Goal:** Show how to improve Collaborative Analytics within a Precipitation feature (PF)-based Earth Systems Digital Twin



- This PF-based ESDT is used to conduct model diagnostics i.e., derive, compare and evaluate the precipitation features obtained from global storm-resolving models and observation data.
- Enables comparisons of 15 different GPM PF datasets based on various surface precipitation retrievals, sensor swaths, and brightness temperatures.



# Objectives of our Project

- Identify and create collaborative analytics use-cases within a PF-based ESDT.
  - Data-intensive uses cases from **PF-based analytics package** [1]
- Develop and deploy technology for sharing the use cases efficiently such that they can be reproduced exactly in different environments.
  - Use **Sciunit** [2], an automatic containerization tool for sharing and reproducing
- Determine how much of data to containerize and in which form to enable `what-if` collaborative analytics
  - Use **I/O-specialization** [3] methods to reduce the amount of data in containers
  - Use **STARE** [4] for data harmonization and homogenization.
- Develop and build an PF-based ESDT prototype based on containers for broader set of usecases.

[1] Chern, J.D., W.-K. Tao, S.E. Lang, X. Li, and T. Matsui, "Evaluating precipitation features and rainfall characteristics in a Multi-scale Modeling Framework," Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems, 2020.

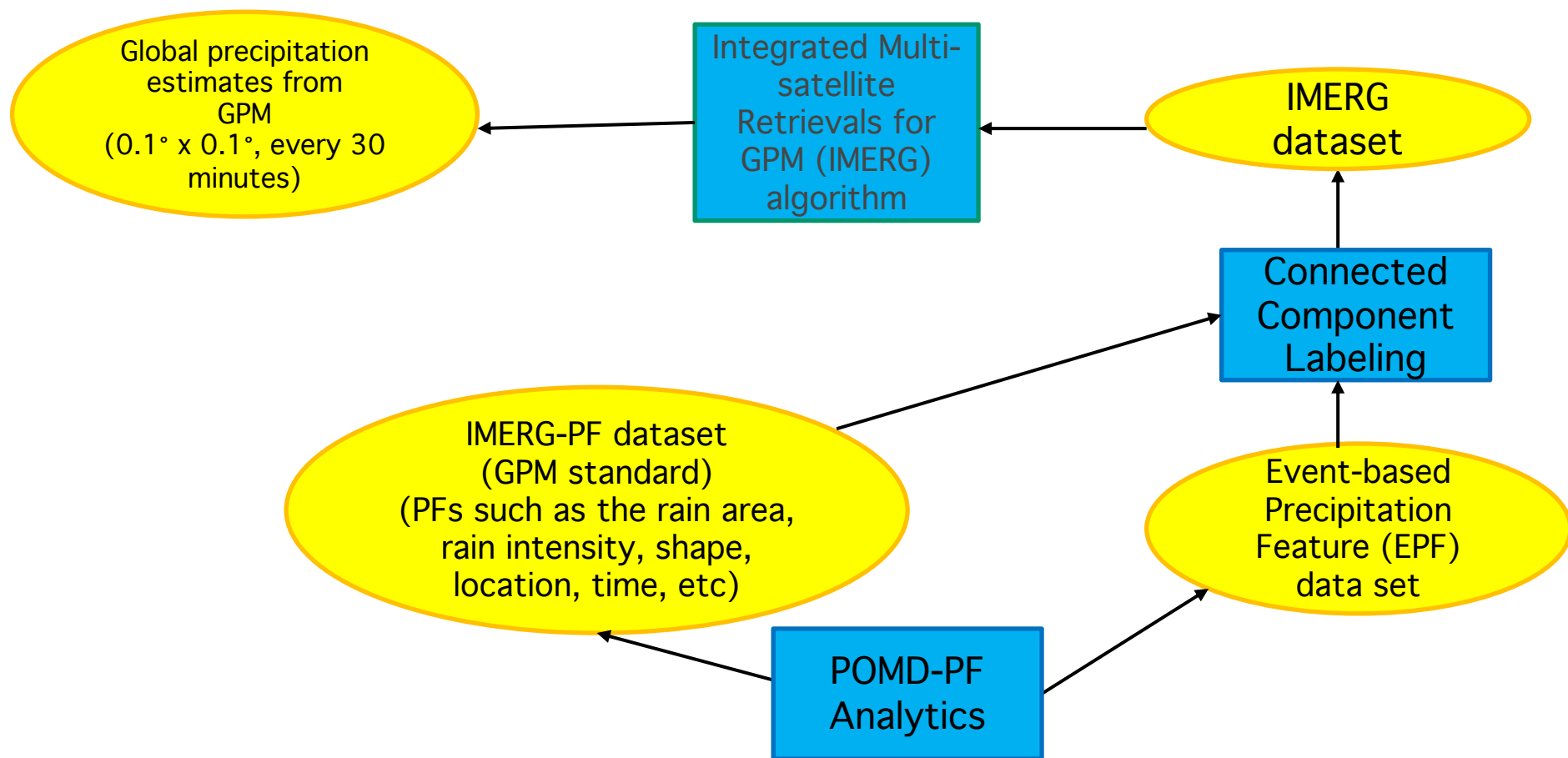
[2] That, D. H. T., G. Fils, Z. Yuan and T. Malik, "Sciunits: Reusable Research Objects," IEEE 13th International Conference on e-Science (e-Science), 24-27 Oct. 2017, 374-383, 2017.

[3] Niddodi, C, A. Gehani, T. Malik, J. Navas, and S. Mohan. 2020. MiDas: Containerizing Data-Intensive Applications with I/O Specialization. In Proceedings of the 3rd International Workshop on Practical Reproducible Evaluation of Computer Systems, 2020

[4] Rilee, Michael L., Kwo-Sen Kuo, James Frew, James Gallagher, Niklas Griessbaum, Kodi Neumiller, and Robert E. Wolfe. "STARE into the future of GeoData integrative analysis."Earth Science Informatics(2021): 1-18



# PF-based ESDT



- IMERG-PF dataset is a valuable global survey of precipitation systems
- It addresses many scientific topics such as extreme precipitation, intense convection, moderate to heavy snow, warm rain systems, hailstorms, and the diurnal cycle, etc.



# PF-based Analyses

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## Science Queries:

Q1. POMD-PF template that analyzes

- (i) the global statistics of PFs with rain area greater than 500 km<sup>2</sup>.
- (ii) the characteristics of large storms in South America.

Q2. Find all precipitation events intersecting the San Joaquin Watershed in the month of December in 2021 and calculate summary statistics.

Q3. Compare data of different resolutions e.g., precipitation data retrieval from Level2 with satellite data e.g., kriging

Q4. Intercompare extratropical cyclones and precipitation events/feature.

## Research Question:

1. How to containerize programs answering such queries?
2. How much data and in what form should be included/shared/preserved for reproducibility in such a container?



# Sample Interaction

```
1. > sciunit create FIE
2. > sciunit exec ./FIE.sh ./DATA/weather_201710.Rds
    0. Download...
    1. Calculate violation matrix...
    2. Calculate heat map...
    3. Generate model data with ./DATA/weather_201710.Rds...
    4. Apply random forest model...
    5. Evaluation...
3. > sciunit list
    e1 Dec 4 12:44 ./FIE.sh ./DATA/weather_201710.Rds
4. > sciunit show
    id: e1
    sciunit: FIE
    command: ./FIE.sh ./DATA/weather_201710.Rds
    size: 306.6 MB
    started: 2017-12-04 12:44
5. > sciunit push
    ...
    Title for the new article: FIE
    new: 306.6 MB [01:05, 4.72MB/s]
6. > sciunit copy
    mSLLTj#
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Alice's Computer

```
1. > sciunit repeat e1
    ...
    0. Download...
    1. Calculate violation matrix...
    2. Calculate heat map...
    3. Generate model data with ./DATA/weather_201710.Rds...
    4. Apply random forest model...
    5. Evaluation...
    ...
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    ...
    3. Generate model data with ./DATA/weather_201710.Rds...
    ...
3. > sciunit given '/tmp/weather_201801.Rds' e1 %
    ...
    0. Download...
    1. Calculate violation matrix...
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    4. Apply random forest model...
    5. Evaluation...
    ...
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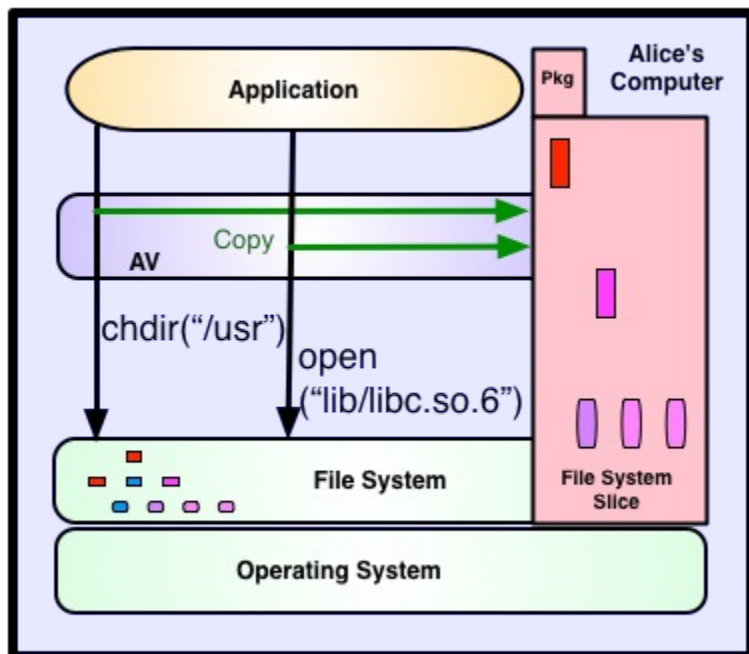
Bob's Computer





# Sciunit: Automatic Containerization of Analysis Programs

## Audit Phase



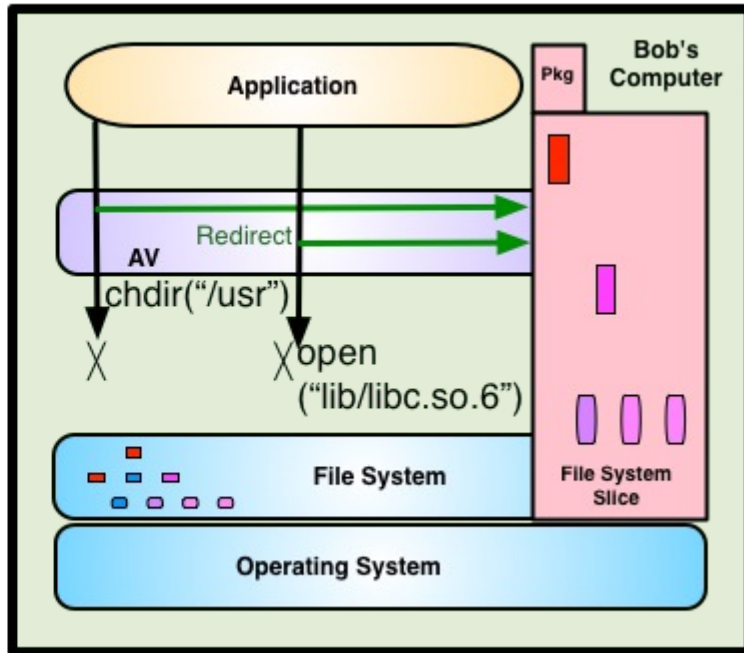
- Audit ~50 system calls related to process control, file I/O, and network
  - If file is /dev/random capture return bytes as well
- At the time of interception:
  - Generate an execution trace of system call events in real-time
  - Copy files mentioned as part of system calls into a container

Q. Pham, T. Malik, B. Glavic, I. Foster. Light-weight Database Virtualization. In *IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering, ICDE*, 2015.



# Target: Use *ptrace* to redirect executions into the container

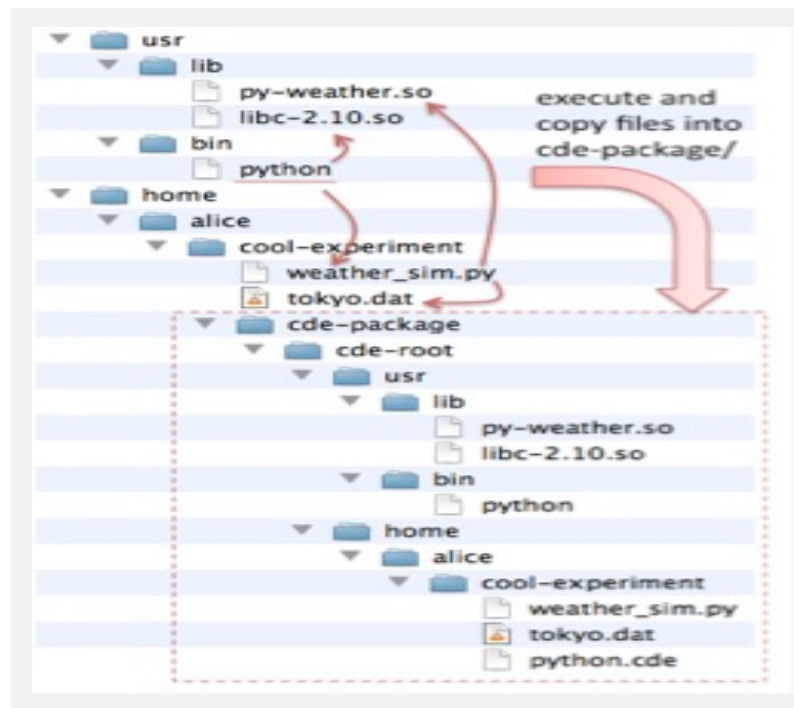
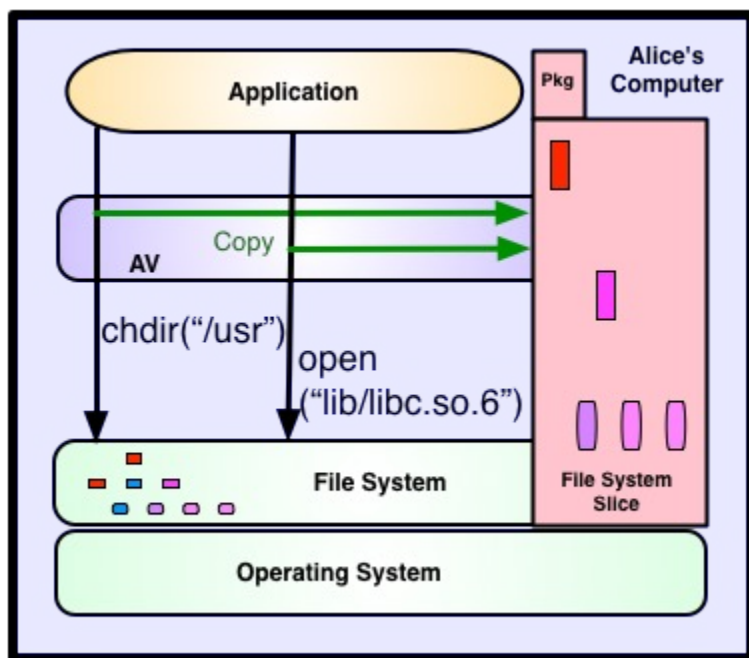
## Repeat Phase

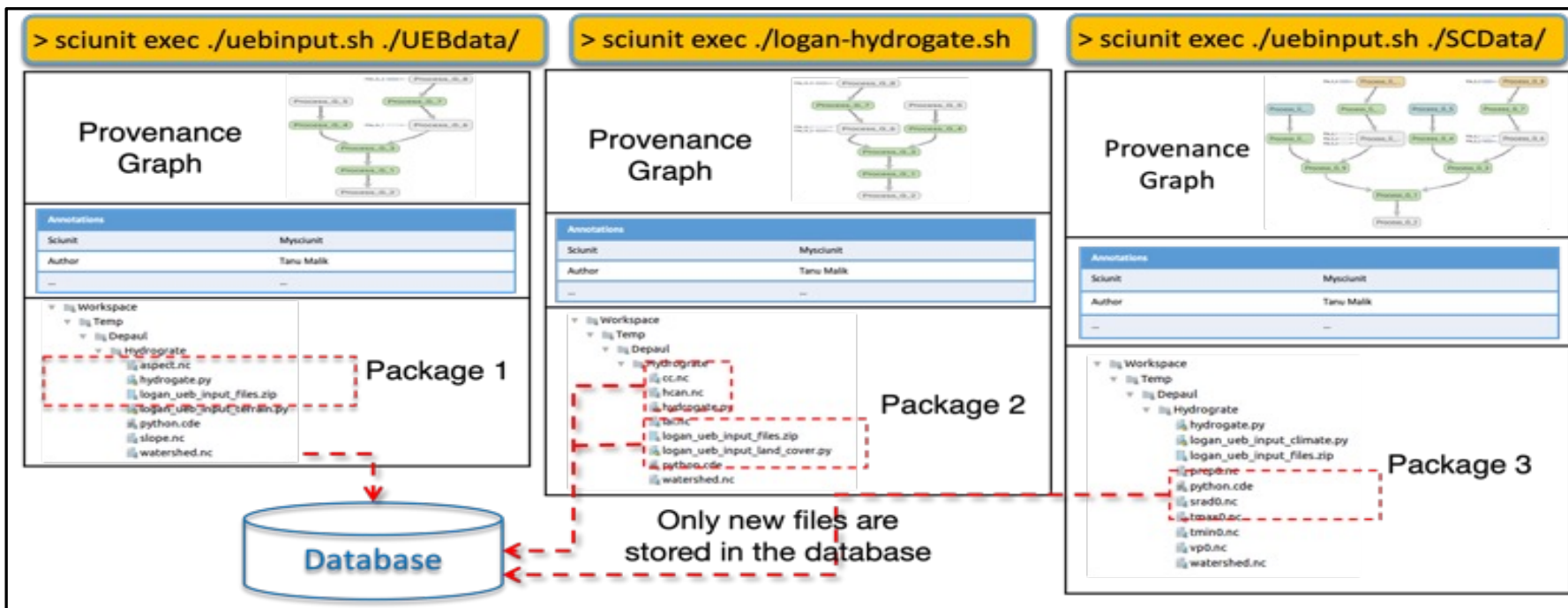


- Redirection during repetition is only for file- and network-related system events.
- Repeat execution happens within a process and file namespace.

# Create a *chroot*-based container

- Audit provenance during container creation time







# Alices shares *sciunits* and Bob repeats them



sciunits

*container specifications*  
e.g., *Dockerfiles*

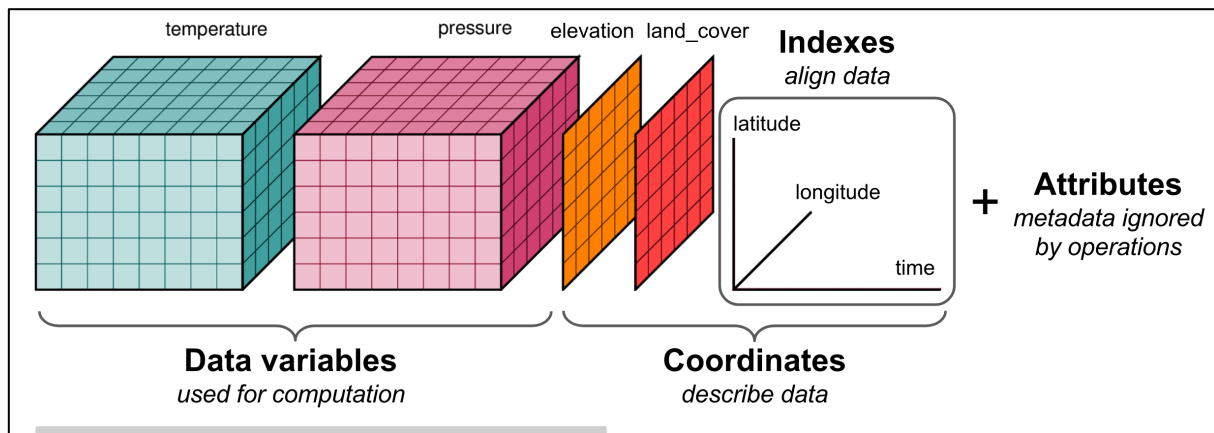
*virtual environments*  
e.g., *Conda and Venv*

*package manager specs*  
e.g., *Spack files*



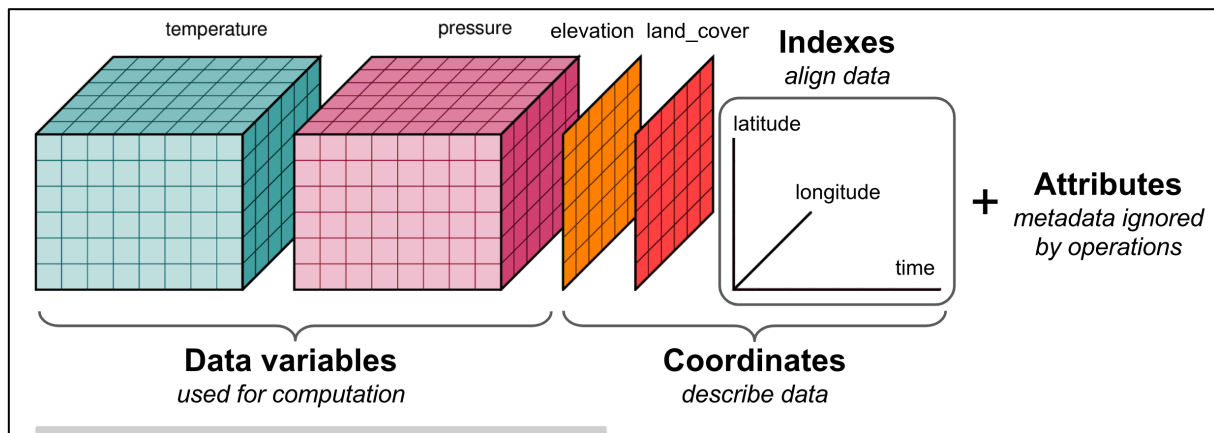
# I/O Specialization

Dataset  Program





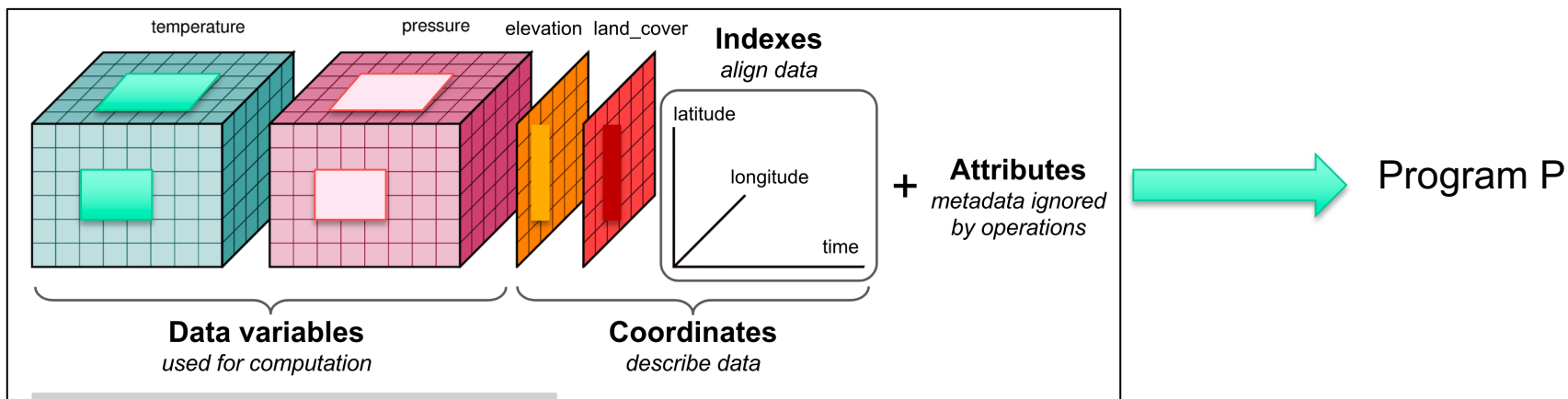
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IEEE Access, 2023.



# I/O Specialization



## Research Questions:

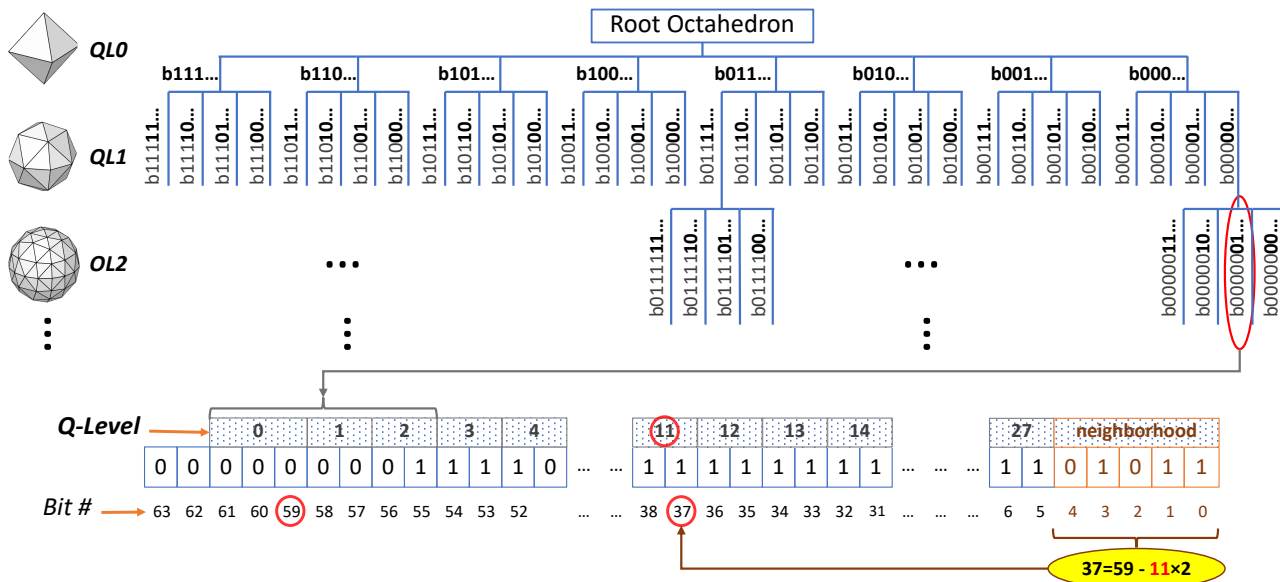
- (i) Location of data files: within container or cloud-based?
- (ii) Format-compliance: ability to read and use files for other purposes
- (iii) Generalized dataset: total amount of data accessed by program P





# STARE: SPATIOTEMPORAL ADAPTIVE RESOLUTION ENCODING

- GEO-SPATIOTEMPORAL LOCATION AND NEIGHBORHOOD - AKIN TO A POSTAL ADDRESS AND A ZIP CODE



	Longitude	Latitude
Human readable	+123.4°	60°
Single-precision floating-point	0x42f6cccd	0x42700000
STARE id*	0x36ee9398f7210f34	



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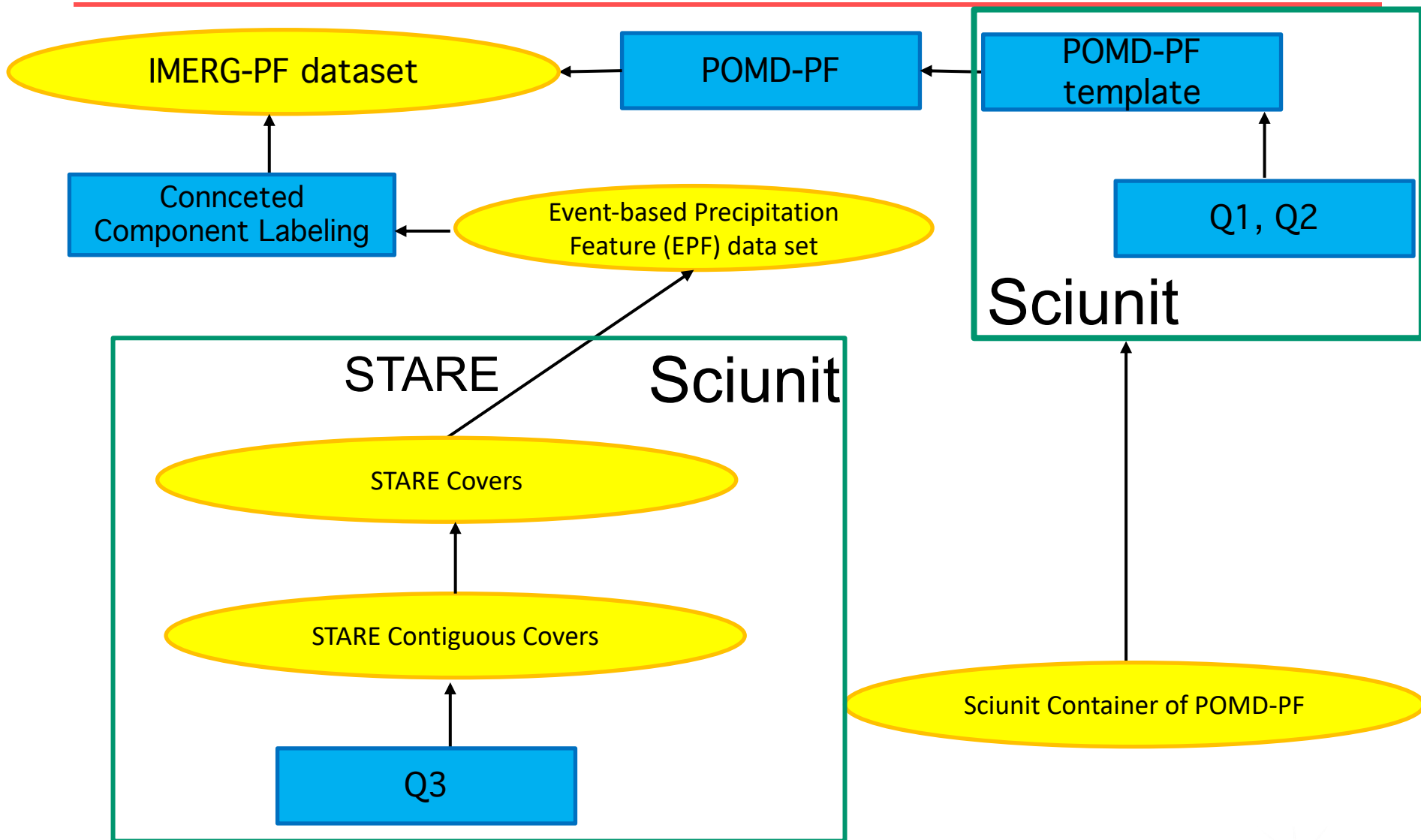
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# Primary Finding #1: POMD-PF ESDT real use cases are containerizable using Sciunit





## Containerization Experience with Use-cases

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- 4 use cases ranging from statistical analysis, interpolation, and spatio-temporal comparisons of extratropical cyclones.
- No source code modification
  - Currently parallel executions using Dask are not possible.
  - We execute applications on single node but could be multi-threaded.
- Learning from the use cases:
  - Examples are increasingly developed using notebooks.
  - Examples access large amounts of data and may generate large amounts of data.
    - Docker containers do not account for size increase.
  - Container creation is easy, but provisioning is a challenge
    - Require additional information, such as instance size to deploy and repeat containers
    - Containers can audit and provide an estimate of how much time will it take to provision



# Primary Result #2: Sciunit with I/O specialization decreases size of shareable containers

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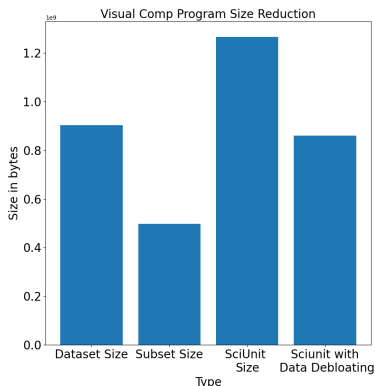
## Real-life applications

1. PF Features RainArea>500km<sup>2</sup>: Visual comparison program to compare data from IMERG dataset to the data produced by GEOS-5 model for RainArea > 500 km<sup>2</sup>
2. Krigging: A generalized interpolation method based on Gaussian regression, on the Ozone profile data from the Ozone Monitoring Instrument on the Aura Satellite
3. Global Precipitation Visualization: An ipynb notebook taken from GitHub which uses precipitation data from an IMERG dataset file to plot precipitation for different regions of the world
4. PF Features over SA: Visual comparison program to compare data from IMERG dataset to the data produced by GEOS-5 model for South America
5. Intercomparison of Precipitation Feature Events with ETC



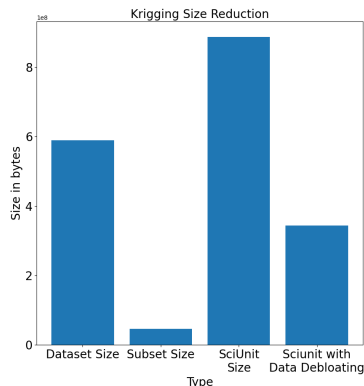
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## PF Features RainArea>500km<sup>2</sup>



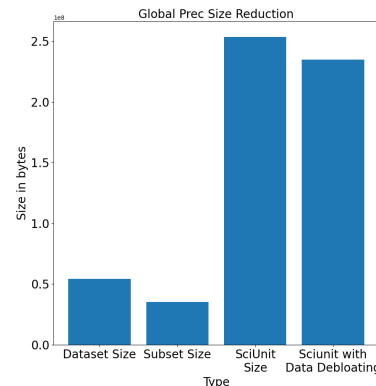
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Base	861.03
Subset	473.89
Sciunit	1208.31
Sciunit + Subset	821.16

## Kriging



Phase	Size (MB)
Base	562.08
Subset	43.67
Sciunit	846.82
Sciunit + Data Subset	328.41

## Global Precp.

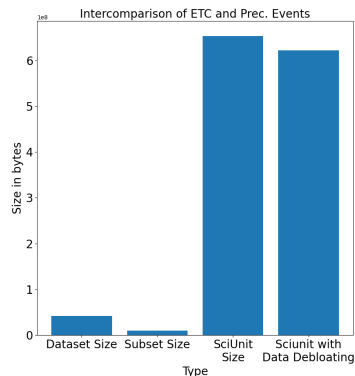


Phase	Size (B)
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Subset	33.77
Sciunit	241.83
Sciunit + Data Subset	223.91



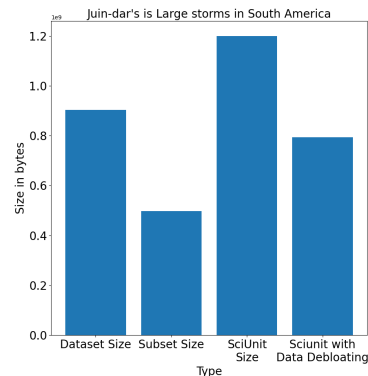
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## InterComparison of Prec. Events with ETC



Phase	Size (MB)
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Subset	10.24
Sciunit	653.4
Sciunit + Data Subset	621.70

## PF Features over SA

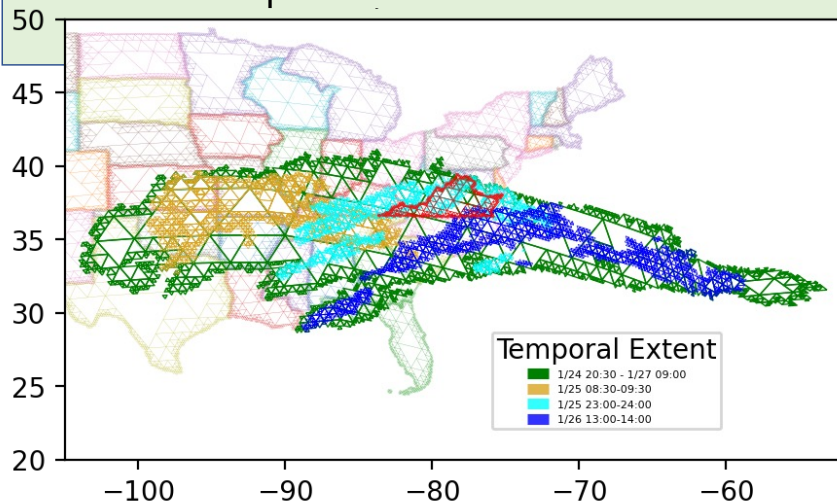


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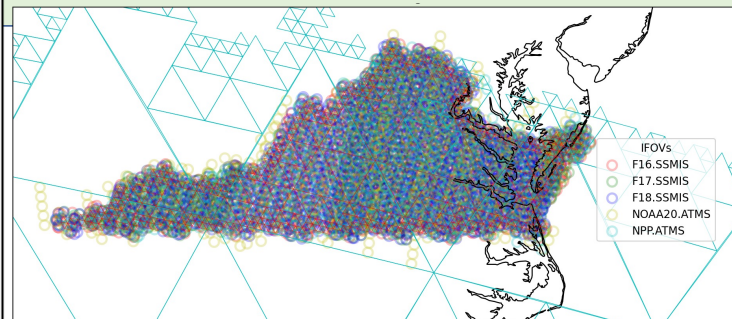


# Primary Finding #3: Enables Event Analysis which Results in Refined Precipitation Features

Time slices of the event superimposed on the total spatial extent of the event



Showing diverse XCAL datasets harmonized and subsetting for a precipitation event.



Instantaneous Fields-of-View  
for multiple platforms harmonized with STARE.

- Many-to-many comparison between events and features
- Subsetting of data based on STARE index using a region of interest





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# Work Plan

## Year 1: Requirements, Development, and Basic Containerization

- ~~1) Covert initial POMD-PF package from IDL to Python (*Chern, Kuo and Rilee*)~~
- ~~2) Develop I/O specialized libraries for NetCDF5 and HDF5. Document API. (*Gehani and Malik*)~~
- ~~4) Apply Sciunit containers to POMD-PF package, develop API for I/O specialized library. (*Malik*)~~
- ~~5) Indexing observed and simulated PF databases using STARE and support tooling. (*Rilee and Kuo*).~~
- 5) Deliver a data-efficient container that is good for sharing with collaborators (*Malik, Gehani*)
- ~~6) Produce publications and write report. (*Malik, Gehani, Chern, Kuo and Rilee*)~~



# Work Plan

## Year 2: Deliver Data-efficient Sciunit container for STARE-indexed PF-based ESDT

- 1) Integrate data-efficient containers within the POMD-PF package, perform experiments. Establish and show container reusability (*Malik, Gebani, Chern, Kuo, Rilee*)
- 2) Additional last mile homogenization using STARE. (*Rilee and Kuo*)
- 3) Integrate data harmonization layer with Sciunit to enable reproducibility. (*Malik, Kuo, Rilee, Gebani*)
- 4) Continued improvement of the POMD-PF package with additional diagnostics contributed by the community. (*Chern*)
- 5) Host Sciunit packages via cloud and S3. Create a webpage for this project which disseminates the sciunits/containers via NASA cloud, and displays display the plots from diagnostic modules for easy model-observation comparison. (*Malik, Kuo and Chern*)
- 6) Develop Sciunit machine (*Malik*).
- 7) Data partitioning for GDSU simulator. (*Rilee, Kuo and Malik, Clune*)
- 8) Produce publications and write report. (*Malik, Gebani, Chern, Kuo and Rilee*)



# Summary of Accomplishments

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- Current state and Summary of Accomplishments:
  - Several collaborative use cases in the PF-based-ESDT have been containerized.
  - An I/O-specialized Sciunit framework exists that can educate a user on the amount bloat in the container.
  - User can use configuration parameter to decide to include entire dataset or reduced dataset.
  - Sciunit container will establish repeatability guarantees in different environments with carved dataset.
  - Sciunit containers will include STARE files, provided the program also accesses them.



# Future Plans

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- Sciunit with I/O-specialization—leading to TRL4.
- Automatic creation of STARE with Sciunit---looking at integration opportunities.
- Multi-node scheduling of Sciunit-I/O specialized containers.
- Integration with other ESDT projects.



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# Actual or Potential Infusions and Collaborations

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- Infusion to existing projects:
  - Precipitation features analytical packages (POMD-PF) also applies to GMAO/GEOS-5 model output.
- Infusion to other AIST/ESDT projects
  - We plan to work more closely with our collaborator Tom Clune in the second year more regularly to determine infusion with other AIST/ESDT projects
  - We are also interested in learning more about the following AIST projects
    - AIST-21-0063, AIST-21-0082, AIST-21-0012, AIST-18-0099, AIST-QRS-22-0001
- Technology Transfer
  - All components are open-source, available via public GitHub repositories licensed via MIT Open Source License
- Transition
  - PI Malik is involved with NSF EarthCube Program and the notebook-based Sciunit container technology developed via that project is being applied to the use cases identified in this project.



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## Journal / Conference Papers

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2. *Aniket Modi, Moaz Reyad, Tanu Malik, Ashish Gehani, **Querying Container Provenance**, In ACM Theory and Practice of Provenance, 2023.*
3. *Rohan Timany, Aniket Modi, Tanu Malik, Ashish Gehani, Deepak D'souza, Raghavan Komondoor, **Efficient data debloating**, In preparation.*
4. *Michael Rilee, Niklas Griessbaum, Dai Hai Ton That, Michael Bauer, Kwo-Sen Kuo, **STARE EVENT EVOLUTION (SEE) ANALYTICS**, IEEE/IGARSS Pasadena, California 2023.*
5. *Michael Rilee, Michael Bauer, Niklas Griessbaum, Dai Hai Ton That, Kwo-Sen Kuo, **BEYOND THE DATACUBE**, IEEE/IGARSS Pasadena, California 2023*

## Dissertations

1. R. Tikmany, Trace-based Data Debloating, MS. Thesis, DePaul University, 2023.
2. A. Modi, Access-based Data Debloating, M.Tech Thesis, CSE, IIT, Delhi, 2023.




# List of Acronyms

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- 1D One-dimensional
- CMS Content Management System.
- CSV Comma Separated Variables
- DEM Digital Elevation Model
- DS Decadal Survey
- Etc.




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## A scalable probabilistic emulation and uncertainty quantification tool for Earth-system models

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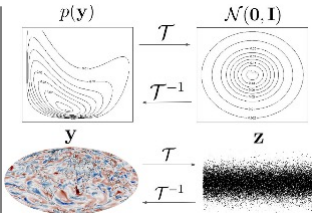
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**Objective**

- Improve mapping of uncertainties in climate predictions under what-if scenarios
- Develop statistical methodology for efficient estimation of and simulation from the probability distribution of geophysical fields
- Implement the methodology in an open-source software package with thorough documentation
- Demonstrate use of the toolbox in assessing the probability distribution of important hydrological variables, as represented in Earth system models



The transport map transforms a non-Gaussian distribution to a standard Gaussian distribution.

Equivalently, the map converts a geophysical field to standard Gaussian coefficients.

The map coefficients can be viewed as scores corresponding to a nonlinear version of principal components, and they decrease in importance and in corresponding spatial scale from left to right.

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**Approach**

- Using Bayesian transport maps, learn the spatio-temporal and multivariate dependence structure from a small- to moderate-sized ensemble of runs from an Earth-system model
- Provide software as a fully automated package in Python, which can be easily used by other researchers
- Obtain a realistic representation of the current and future joint behavior of precipitation, snowpack, and runoff from output from land-surface models (LSMs)

**Key Milestones**

• Provide tech report on spatio-temporal method	02/23
• Demonstrate software on simulated example	08/23
• Apply software to LSM output	02/24
• Complete and submit manuscript on stat. methods	08/24
• Complete and submit manuscript on LSM applic.	08/24
• Make software publicly available	08/24


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Co-Is/Partners: Jonathan Hobbs, JT Reager (JPL) TRL<sub>in</sub> = 3    TRL<sub>current</sub> = 3


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## Background

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*Problem statement:* There is much uncertainty in projections of future climate, due in part to uncertain representations of physical processes in Earth System models. The amount of data in these models can be overwhelming. Better identification and characterization of locations, times and variables of greatest uncertainty could create opportunities for higher-efficiency research and the closure of observational gaps for key processes.

- We aim to improve and simplify UQ for climate models.
- Our proposed technology can serve as a crucial component in numerous NASA applications, including studying climate projections, efficient OSSEs, UQ efforts for existing missions, and what-if investigations for potential future observing systems (i.e., mission-formulation trade-space studies).
- This project is a case study to identify impactful characteristics of the water cycle under current conditions and its response to climate change.

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## Objectives/Goals

- G1: Develop statistical methodology for efficient estimation of and simulation from the probability distribution of geophysical fields.
  - The approach, based on Bayesian transport maps, learns the spatio-temporal and multivariate dependence structure from a small- to moderate-sized ensemble of runs from an Earth-system model.
- G2: Implement the methodology in an open-source software package with thorough documentation.
  - The software will be user-friendly, fully automated, and scalable to very large datasets.
- G3: Demonstrate the toolbox in assessing the probability distribution of important hydrological variables.
  - Based on output from CMIP6 land-surface models (LSMs), we will investigate the distributions of hydrological variables under multiple emissions scenarios to characterize their distributions under current and end-of-century conditions.



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## Technical and Science Advancements

- The project builds upon an approach that can learn spatial dependence structure from a small ensemble of nature runs using Bayesian transport maps.
- Extensions (in terms of methodology, software, and application) of the spatial approach:
  - to spatio-temporal fields
  - to multivariate fields considering multiple variables jointly
  - to allowing the inferred distributions to depend on fixed, known conditions or covariates (e.g., emissions scenarios, different Earth system models)

**ESTO**  
Earth Science Technology Office

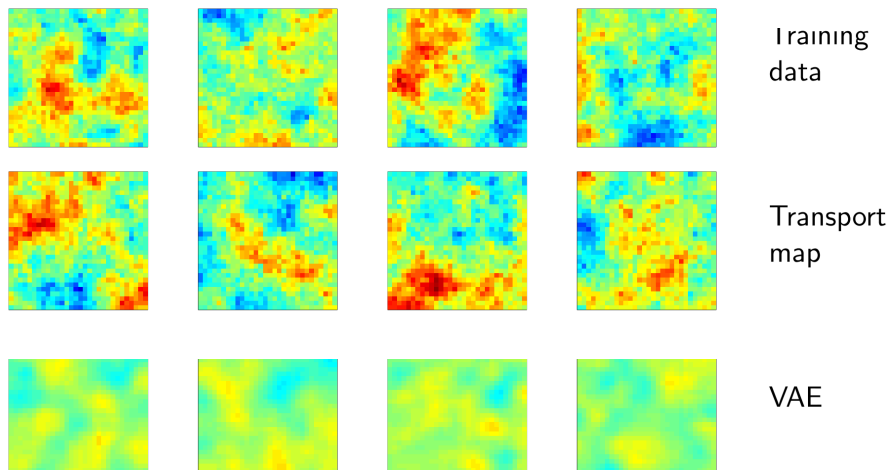
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## Emulating samples from a Gaussian distribution

Gaussian distribution with exponential cov. on grid of size  $N = 30 \times 30$

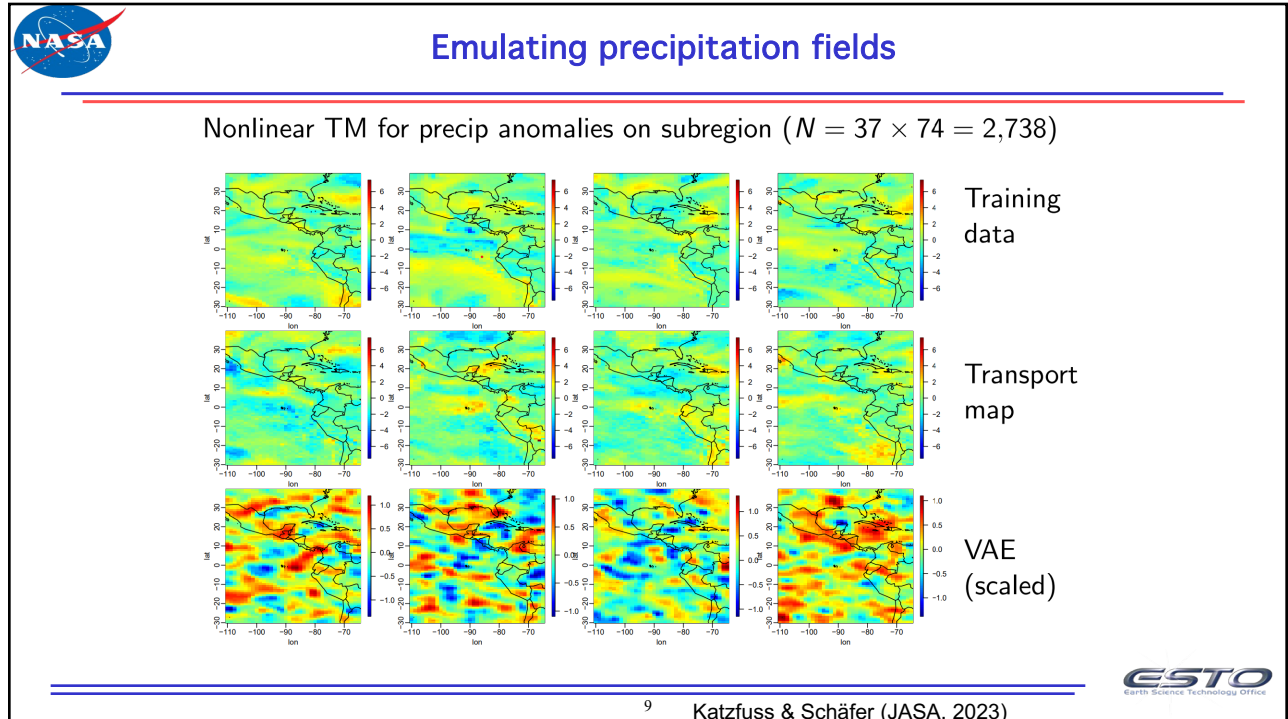


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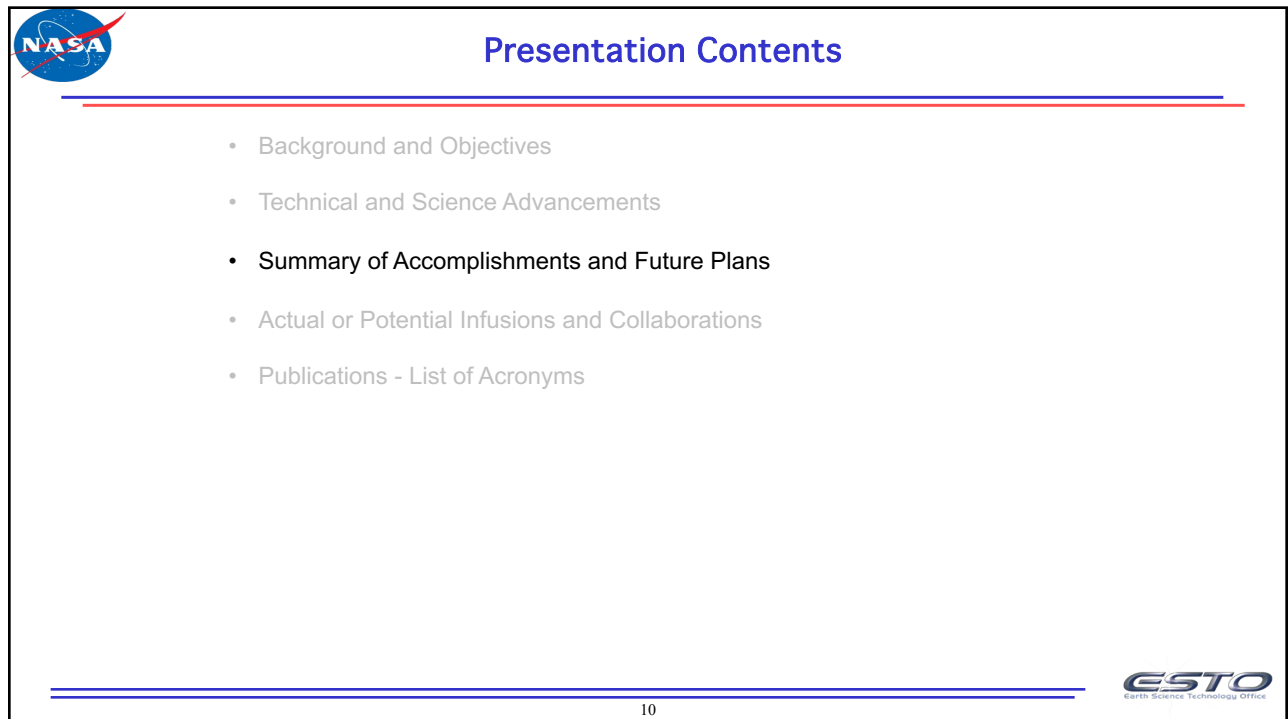
Katzfuss &amp; Schäfer (JASA, 2023)

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9 Katzfuss & Schäfer (JASA, 2023)

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## Current State

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- Methodology development:
  - The spatial approach can learn spatial dependence structure from a small ensemble of nature runs using Bayesian transport maps.
  - The spatio-temporal extension can provide realistic-looking samples and better fit than a parametric model when trained on climate-model output.
    - First step: Scaling of space vs time learned by fitting a parametric model to the data.
    - Second step: Fit transport map in scaled space-time input space.
    - Details provided in tech report.
  - Similar initial development of extension to multivariate spatial fields.
- Software development:
  - We have an initial implementation of the spatial and spatio-temporal methodology using Python and PyTorch.
- Application:
  - The team has obtained ensemble model output from the Community Land Model (CLM) as part of the NCAR large ensemble project.
  - The ensemble output for snow water equivalent (SWE) is being analyzed as a demonstration of the spatial transport map methodology.

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## Future Plans

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- 08/23:
  - Demonstrate software on simulated examples
- 02/24:
  - Apply software to LSM output
- 08/24:
  - Complete and submit manuscript on statistical methods
  - Complete and submit manuscript on LSM application
  - Make software publicly available


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## Actual or Potential Infusions and Collaborations

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- Potential infusions/transfers
  - NASA Western Water Applications Office: potential interface for stakeholders/users of current and future hydroclimate probabilistic scenarios
  - NASA/JPL mission design technology development activities, including planetary boundary layer incubation studies
  - NASA Earth System Observatory missions, particularly the Atmosphere Observing System
- Non-NASA collaborations
  - PI collaborating with Sandia National Laboratory on transport map application for climate interventions

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## Publications

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- **Journal / Conference Papers**
  - Katzfuss, M., and Schäfer, F. 2023. Scalable Bayesian transport maps for high-dimensional non-Gaussian spatial fields. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, accepted.
- **Other**
  - Tech report on spatio-temporal extension (submitted in ERS)
  - Several presentations on this work this summer at the Spatial Statistics conference in Boulder and at the Joint Statistical Meetings in Toronto

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## Acronyms

List of Acronyms

- CMIP6 Coupled Model Intercomparison Project, sixth phase
- JPL Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- LSM land-surface model
- OSSE observing system simulation experiment
- UQ uncertainty quantification





# Kernel Flows: emulating complex models for massive data sets

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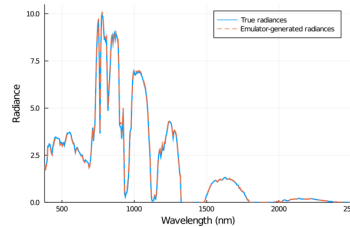


## Kernel Flows: emulating complex models for massive data sets

PI: Jouni Susiluoto, (JPL)

### Objective

- Develop an accurate, high performance uncertainty-aware emulator software and release it as open source software.
- Demonstrate the software with two applications:
  - Radiative transfer (RT) modeling, which can be used e.g. with future remote imaging spectroscopy missions such as NASA Surface Biology and Geology, part of the NASA Earth Observatory, and
  - Convective storm now-casting, which is a societally relevant research question.



Example of emulated vs. true radiance spectra in the visible and shortwave IR range from a preliminary study for the SBG mission. The spectra can be used for atmospheric correction and to retrieve surface reflectances.

### Approach

- We use Gaussian process models together with cross-validation to construct the emulators.
- The specific algorithm that combines these approaches is called Kernel Flows.
- Kernel Flows is able to describe data, whose covariance changes over the domain of inputs (e.g. spatial locations).
- Cross validation ensures that the learned emulators are not overly confident and produce realistic uncertainty estimates.

Co-I's: Dr. Ziad Haddad (JPL), Dr. Kerry Cawse-Nicholson (JPL), Prof. Houman Owhadi (Caltech), Dr. Amy Braverman (JPL), Dr. Otto Lamminpaa (JPL), Dr. Nimrod Carmon (JPL)


08/22 AIST-21-0012

### Key Milestones

- Training data have been assembled, sampling designs and prediction models for applications are ready 05/23
- Emulators trained, software is functionally complete 09/23
- Radiative transfer emulation work integrated into retrieval framework, journal paper submitted 03/24
- Release of final software version 05/24

TRL<sub>in</sub> = 3, TRL<sub>current</sub> = 3






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## Background and Objectives

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- Modeling / studying complex phenomena generally benefits from tools that either a) facilitate simulation, b) make inference easier, or c) enable straightforward lightweight data-driven modeling. **In this project we develop, implement, and deliver such a tool.** We have several application examples; these are presented in the slides below.
- The project consists of **three main components**:
- Deliver a documented and tested **open source software package** for fast, and accurate emulation for NASA science and mission purposes,
- Demonstrate the benefits of this software for **radiative transfer emulation (A1)** in the context of remote sensing retrieval algorithms, and
- Apply the algorithm to **now-casting convective storm evolution** in real-time (A2)
- Furthermore, we:
  - O2: *fully utilize the large amount of . . . observations using advanced analytical tools*
  - O3: *provide technology for enabling near- and long-term science and policy decisions . . . including . . . development of new models or science analysis, . . . applications to inform choices, support decisions, and guide actions for societal benefit*

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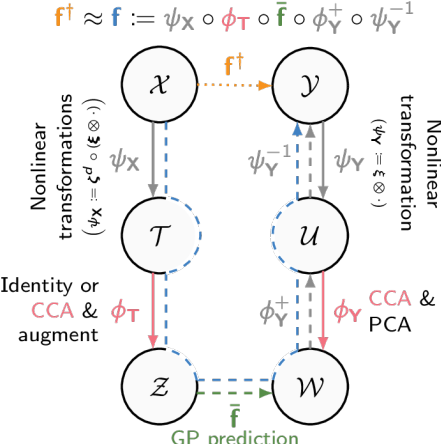
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## Technical and Science Advancements 1

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- We are currently 10 months into the project
- Main finding: our method works surprisingly well, and is systematically able to capture whatever structure there is in the data
- Applications: SBG radiative transfer, OCO retrievals, ice-water path retrievals, climate indexes, etc.
- Technology development: software interfaces have been defined, real-world example from OCO on next slide
- Multiple new algorithms developed and tested (some work, some don't)
- Potential new research directions for theoretical work with university partners
- Code is now open source (not uploaded for public availability yet, however)

$$f^{\dagger} \approx f := \psi_X \circ \phi_T \circ \bar{f} \circ \phi_Y^+ \circ \psi_Y^{-1}$$


..... Applies to training data only  
- - - - - Applies to testing data only  
————— Applies to both training and testing data



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## Technical and Science Advancements 2

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1 using LossFunctions
2 using DimensionReduction
3 using KernelFunctions
4 using ParametricModel
5 using ParametricTrain
6 using ParametricPredict
7 using ParametricMultilevel
8 using OCODat
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10 # Get data for the strong CO2 band
11 X_tr, Y_tr, X_te, Y_te = OCODat(5000; "cc2")
12
13 # Get dimension reduction structs
14 DXs, DY = dimreduce_CCA_PCA_augmented(X_tr, Y_tr; nvecs_Y_CCA = 9, nvecs_Y_PCA=3, nvecs_X_CCA = 3, reg = 5e-3)
15
16 # Construct multivariate GP model, train and predict
17 MVM = MVGPModel(X_tr, Y_tr, Matern52, DXs, DY; transform_zv = false)
18 train!(MVM, p_RMSE; ngridrounds = 10, n = 16, navg = nothing, niter = 2000, ε = .05)
19 Y_te_pred1 = predict(MVM, X_te)
20
21 # Construct residual (multilevel) model, train and predict
22 MVM2 = MVGPModel_twolevel(MVM, X_tr, Y_tr; nvecs = 6, kernel = Matern32)
23 train!(MVM2, p_RMSE; ngridrounds = 10, n = 16, navg = nothing, niter = 2000, ε = .05)
24 Y_te_pred2 = predict(MVM2, X_te)
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26 # Predicted values are computed by summing the levels
27 Y_te_pred = Y_te_pred1 + Y_te_pred2

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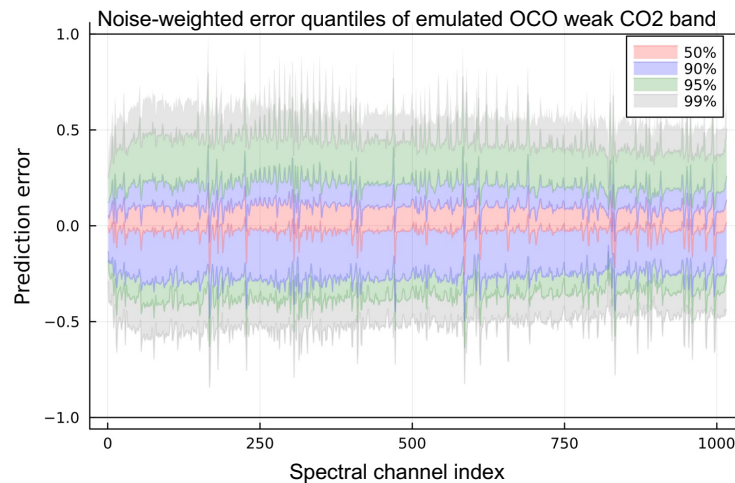
Example of current API. After loading data, model setup, training, and prediction is four lines of code. Adding another GP layer adds four lines more.



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## Technical and Science Advancements 3



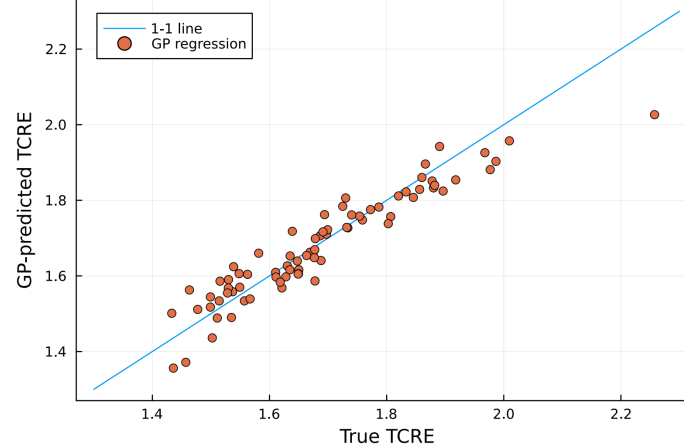
OCO radiative transfer example: **we would like to be under instrument noise level** ( $\pm 1$ ) and we are well below that. This is true also for the two other quantities (O<sub>2</sub> and strong CO<sub>2</sub> bands). Two-level CCA-based GP was used here.



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## Technical and Science Advancements 4



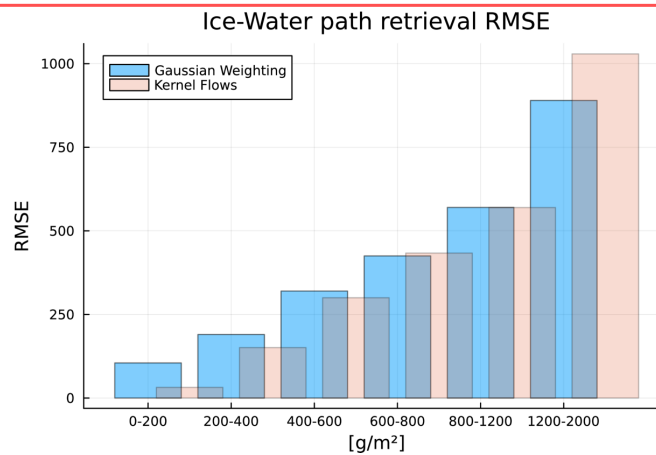
Emulation of **Transient Climate Response to Cumulative Carbon Emissions (TCRE)** based on 200 training data from the University of Victoria Earth System Climate Model (UVICESCM), with 77 test data points over 20 input variables and sub-optimal design. **Data generation with full model took a full month** on Europe's fastest supercomputer. GP results (including coding) were **produced over a coffee break.** (data from Antti Ilari Partanen / Carla di Natale (FM))



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## Technical and Science Advancements 5




Application **A2**: We are able to improve over current Gaussian weighting-based retrieval method, but data is very noisy. A2 use case is difficult and therefore has been driving our technical innovation (as intended). Improvement at the low end is substantial and physically important. At the large end the estimates are, however, worse (it seems to be a **zero-sum game to some extent**). We are still talking about metrics to use.



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## Summary of Accomplishments and Future Plans

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**Summary:**

- Software is in good shape already now
- Open sourcing is done; code needs to be uploaded
- Accuracy exceeds / meets expectations
- Compute performance exceeds / meets expectations
- Imaging spectroscopy application is on track
- Storm nowcasting is slightly behind, but we are not really worried about that
- OCO has emerged as an important application, tested in retrievals with 1,000x-10,000x speed-up; development carried out in close contact with mission

**Plan:**

- Rework software into a Julia package format
- Perform imaging spectroscopy retrievals with the software
  - We have built a EMIT-type L2 retrieval framework that we'll use to demonstrate this.
  - We would like to add more complex forward model and hence showcase that our approach is really flexible
- Documentation (paper in prep)
- Continue core application work in close contact with SBG / OCO / INCUS

**Risks:**


- Balancing algorithmic innovation with stabilization
- A2 work has been slightly slower than we would have liked

Solution is to keep an eye on these aspects for now, dedicate resources to A2, and to keep stabilizing.

**Critical issues:**


- For some of our potential collaborations (Venus, mission design), graph discovery will be needed / useful
- Expanding our work to graph discovery could significantly increase our impact and allow emulation of more complex systems.

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## Actual or Potential Infusions and Collaborations

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- Potential infusions:
  - OCO as described above
  - SBG as described above
  - INCUS (plan is to work on this in Fall 2023)
- Ongoing / planned outside collaborations:
  - Planned: Venus-related work with prof. Theo Kurten and Dr. Benjamin Frandsen (University of Helsinki)
  - Ongoing: climate studies, with Dr. Antti-Ilari Partanen and MSc Carla di Natale (Finnish Meteorological Institute)
  - Planned: Kernel methods for L3 CO2 products; Dr. Marko Laine and Dr. Johanna Tamminen (Finnish Meteorological Institute)
  - Ongoing: Kernel-based regression for spectroscopy applications: prof. Heikki Haario and MSc Zina-Sabrina Duma (Lappeenranta University of Technology, Finland)
  - Planned: Others (US universities)
- Technology transfer:
  - Open sourcing

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## Publications

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- Journal / Conference Papers
- Dissertations
- Other

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## List of Acronyms

- 1D One-dimensional
- CMS Content Management System.
- CSV Comma Separated Variables
- DEM Digital Elevation Model
- DS Decadal Survey
- Etc.





# DTAS: A Prototype Digital Twin for Air-Sea Interactions

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AIST-21-0091 Annual Technical Review  
 June 23, 2023

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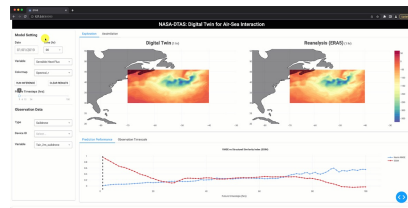


## DTAS: Digital Twin for Air-Sea Interactions

PI: Gray, Alison, University of Washington

### Objective

- Develop a core hybrid physics-informed AI model for air-sea interactions: an essential part of the general circulation model as they help modulate the Earth's weather and climate.
- Assimilate novel data sources (Saildrone, Glider) along with remote sensing and Argo floats to produce a real-time "Digital Twin" simulation.
- Develop a visual analysis system to visualize model predictions, analyze relationships and perform what-if investigations.



### Approach

- Preprocess and fuse datasets from multiple sources—correct for varying spatial and temporal resolution
- Develop a physics informed hybrid model that has a spatial model (U-net) and temporal model (Transformers) along with governing equations for oceanic and atmospheric variables: train using remote sensing, Argo and Glider data; validate using Saildrone datasets.
- Develop a visual interface using Dash to enable user-defined queries and simulations

Co-Is/Partners: Palo Alto Research Center, Inc.

### Key Milestones

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|--------------------------------|-------|
| • Data preprocessing           | 11/22 |
| • Data assimilation            | 01/23 |
| • Prototype model architecture | 05/23 |
| • Visual Analysis System       | 10/23 |
| • Model training completed     | 11/23 |
| • Complete model integration   | 01/24 |

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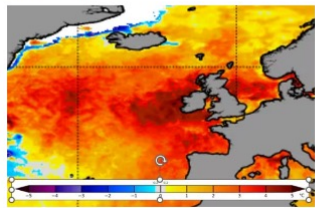
### Ocean-atmosphere interactions are crucial processes that impact many societally-important phenomena

**'Beyond extreme' ocean heat wave in North Atlantic is worst in 170 years**

The exceptionally warm waters could pose a deadly threat to marine life and impact summer weather in the U.S. and Europe

**The Washington Post**  
Democracy Dies in Darkness

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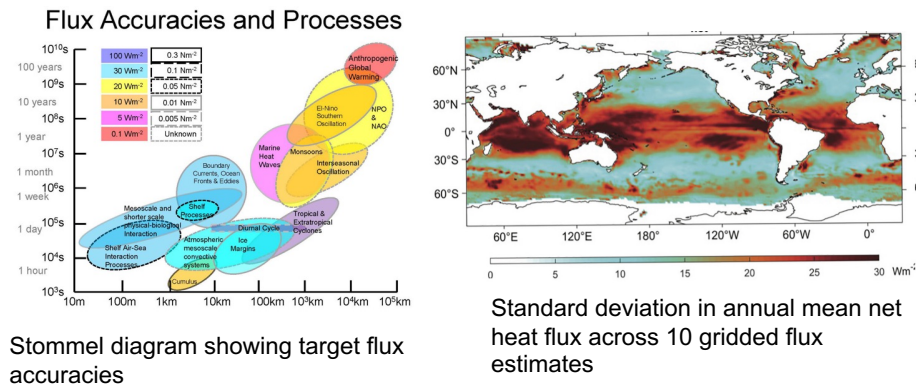
Climate Variability; Water & Energy; Atmospheric Comp; Earth Surface Interior; Weather; Eco Forecasting; Disasters; Health & Air Quality; Energy Management; Water & Food; Fires; Planetary Boundary Layer; Snow and Ice; etc.





## Background

However, these processes remain poorly constrained over vast areas of the planet



Stommel diagram showing target flux accuracies

Cronin et al. 2019



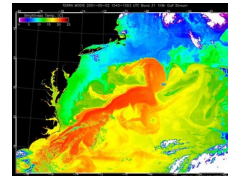
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Overall objective is to develop a *prototype* version of an **interpretable Digital Twin for Air-Sea interactions** that will advance **near-real-time estimation** of air-sea fluxes and their **uncertainties**.

### Four specific objectives

- Real-time, multi-scale data fusion
- Hybrid physics-informed AI model
- Framework for post-hoc analysis, including feature importance and uncertainty quantification
- Visual interface for model diagnosis and “what-if” investigations

Prototype will focus on turbulent heat fluxes in the Gulf Stream region of the North Atlantic.



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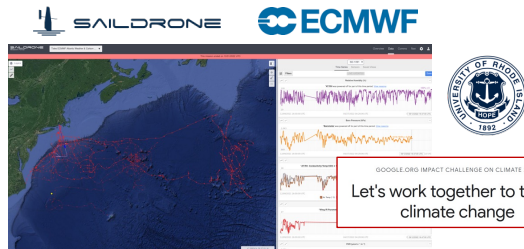
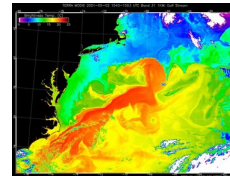
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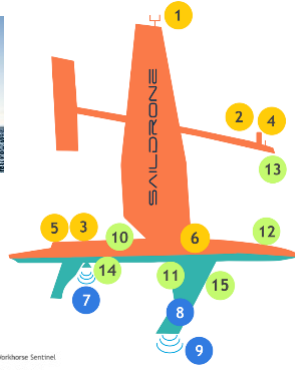
Saildrone autonomously collects simultaneous, high-frequency observations above and below the sea surface



Zhang et al. (2019)

### Oceanic Subsurface Measurements

- 1 Ocean Current: ADCP @ -0.3m, Teledyne RDI 300 kHz Workhorse Sentinel
- 2 Marine Mammal Presence: Passive Acoustic Recorder @ -1.3m, Greenledge Sciences Inc., Acousonde
- 3 Fish Biomass: Scientific Echosounder @ -1.8m, SIMBAD Marine
- 4 Bathymetry: Multi-beam Sonar @ -1.8m, Hobit, INRG



### Oceanic Surface Measurements

- 5 Sea Height/Fixed: Dual GPS & IMU, Vectornav - RVH
- 6 Seawater pCO<sub>2</sub> & pH: CO<sub>2</sub> System, PHL, sXCO<sub>2</sub> @ -0.5m, Improved Optode @ -0.5m, Ambrion Optode @ -0.5m, Sea-Bed Scientific, SB, FISHLER @ -0.5m
- 7 Dissolved Oxygen: CTD, Seabird CTD
- 8 Water Temperature: SST IR Parameter @ +2.2m, Hydrocast XTR II
- 9 Salinity: CTD, Seabird CTD
- 10 Chlorophyll: Fluorometer and Backscatter @ -0.2m, Sea-Bed Scientific, WET Lab Eco Triplet
- 11 Magnetic Field: Magnetometer, Bartington MAG 648
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- 13 Water Temperature: Thermosalinograph CTD @ -0.4m, Teledyne RDI, Coda 11-04

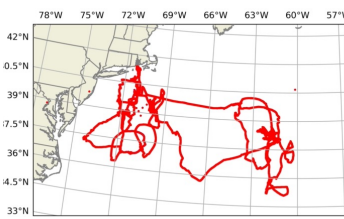
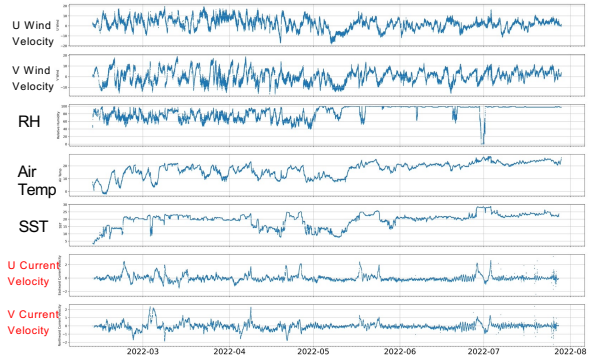
### Atmospheric Measurements

- 1 Wind Speed: Anemometer @ +5.0m, Gill WindMaster 3D Ultraonic, 20Hz
- 2 Wind Direction: Gill WindMaster 3D Ultraonic, 20Hz
- 3 Sunlight & Infrared Radiation: Sunshine Pyranometer @ +2.5m, Delta-T Devices, SH1
- 4 Pyranometer: Pyranometer @ +0.7m, Fugro, PIR
- 5 Air Temperature: Meteorological Probe @ +2.4m, Rotronic, HC2 - S3 with rad shield
- 6 Humidity: Humidity
- 7 Air Pressure: Digital Barometer @ +0.3m, Vaisala, BAROCAP P1311B
- 8 Air pCO<sub>2</sub>: CO<sub>2</sub> System @ +0.5m, PHL, sXCO<sub>2</sub>



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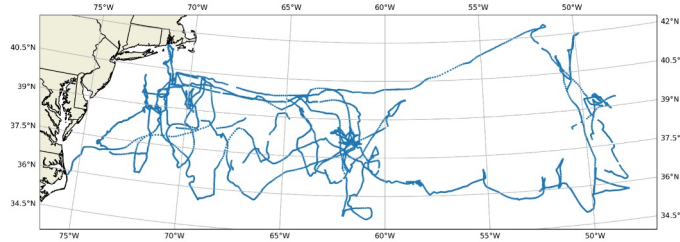
Saildrone Mission #1089: 02/11/2022 – 07/28/2022





## Data Processing and Fusion

### All Saildrone missions in Gulf Stream region



- Wind speed adjusted for ocean currents (m/s)
- Air temperature (°C)
- Relative humidity (%)
- Sea surface temperature (°C)

→ Latent heat flux (W/m<sup>2</sup>)  
Sensible heat flux (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

The Coupled Ocean–Atmosphere Response Experiment (COARE) algorithm estimates heat fluxes from “bulk” state variables measured at the surface and some height within the surface layer:

$$Q_{lat} = \rho L_v \langle wq \rangle \approx \rho L_v C_E S \Delta Q$$

$$Q_{sen} = \rho c_p \langle w\theta \rangle \approx \rho c_p C_H S \Delta \Theta$$



## Data Processing and Fusion

Numerous relevant fields from reanalysis and L4 data products have been collocated with Saildrone data

DataSet	Description	Parameters	resolution	notes
ERAS	ECMWF atmospheric reanalysis	Q_sw, Q_lw, Q_sensible, Q_latent Tair, SST, wind, vwind	0.25 deg hourly mean	all parameters are 1-hour means 1/2 hour added to time coordinates <sup>1</sup> all heatfluxes are positive down
JRA	Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) Japanese 55-year reanalysis	Q_sw, Q_lw, up, Q_sw_down, Q_sensible, Q_latent Q_radiative = Q_sw + Q_lw Q_turbulent = Q_sensible + Q_latent	0.56 deg 3-hr avg	all parameters are 3-hour means Times are 3-hr avg center points <sup>1</sup> Q_sw_up and Q_lw_up are positive up <sup>2</sup> all other heatfluxes are positive down
CERES	NASA Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System (CERES) Hourly gridded radiative surface fluxes	Q_sw_up, Q_sw_down, Q_lw_up, Q_lw_down Q_sw = Q_sw_down - Q_sw_up Q_lw = Q_lw_down - Q_lw_up Q_radiative = Q_sw + Q_lw	1 deg hourly mean	all parameters are 1-hour means Times are 1-hr avg center points Q_sw_up and Q_lw_up are positive up <sup>2</sup> all other heatfluxes are positive down
OAFflux	WHOI objectively analyzed air-sea fluxes	Q_sensible, Q_latent Q_turbulent = Q_sensible + Q_latent SST, Tair, wind, speed, spec_hum, evap_rate	1 deg daily mean	all parameters are daily mean all heatfluxes are positive down Times are daily avg centers(12:00 UTC)
GHRST_REMSS	REMSS Global Hi-res SST Analysis	SST, SST_error, landmask	0.088 deg daily mean <sup>1</sup>	Times are the nominal time of analysis (12:00 UTC)
CCMP_wind	REMSS Cross-Calibrated Multi-Platform surface wind velocity	uwind, vwind	0.25 deg 6-hourly	Times are the nominal time of analysis (06,12,18 UTC) <sup>2</sup>
CMEMS_currents	Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service 0.5m ocean currents	surface_current_u, surface_current_v	1/12 deg 6-hourly	Times are the nominal time of analysis (06,12,18 UTC) <sup>3</sup> no data for 2019
CMEMS_color	CMEMS ocean color	chlorophyll-a	daily	Times are daily avg centers(12:00 UTC)
CMEMS_sealevel	SEALEVEL_GLO_PHY_I4_NRT_OBSERVATIONS_008_046	SLA, ADT, geo_current_u, geo_current_v	0.25 deg daily	ADT is SSH above geoid SLA is SSH above mean sea surface ADT= SLA + mean dynamic topography no data for 2019
MERRA2	Modern-Era Retrospective analysis for Research and Applications (MERRA2)	Q_sw, Q_lw, Q_sensible, Q_latent uwind, vwind, T_skin, T10m, spec_hum, rain_rate_kg	0.5 deg lat 0.625 deg lon hourly	all parameters are 1-hour means Times are 1-hr avg center points all heatfluxes are positive down

NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup> ERAS and JRA sample times are converted to the average center time.
- <sup>2</sup> Not sure if GHRST\_REMSS are daily averages
- <sup>3</sup> Not sure if CCMP\_wind times are center or initial time of averages
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Parameters:

- SST = foundational sea surface temperature (°C)
- T\_skin = sea surface skin temperature (°C)
- Tair = air temperature at 2m (°C)
- T10m = air temperature at 10m (°C)
- spec\_hum = specific humidity (kg kg<sup>-1</sup>)
- rain\_rate\_kg = mass rain rate (kg m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>)
- uwind = eastward wind component at 10m (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- vwind = northward wind component at 10m (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- wind\_speed = 10m wind speed (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- surface\_current\_u = eastward 0.5m ocean current (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- surface\_current\_v = northward 0.5m ocean current (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- geo\_current\_u = eastward geostrophic ocean current (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- geo\_current\_v = northward geostrophic ocean current (m s<sup>-1</sup>)
- SLA = Sea Level Anomaly (m)
- ADT = Absolute Dynamic Topography (m)
- chl\_a = chlorophyll-a concentration (mg m<sup>-3</sup>)
- MLD = mixed layer depth (m)
- Tau\_x = mixed layer temperature (°C)
- Su\_x = mixed layer salinity (PSU)
- OHC = ocean heat content (J)





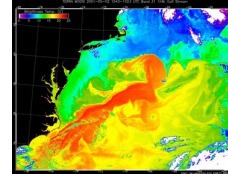
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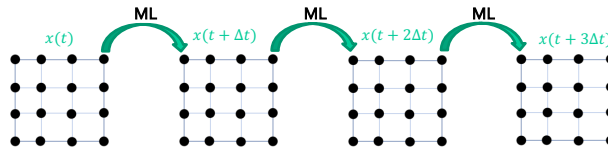
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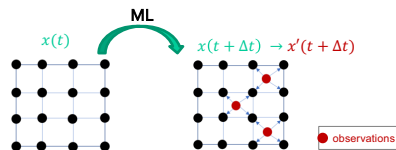



## Physics-informed ML Model

- Train a **Physics-informed ML model** to predict autoregressively on regular gridded data



- Perform **data assimilation (DA)** with combined Saildrone and L4 data products to improve model predictions





## Physics-informed ML Model

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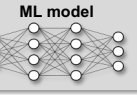
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 &= \mathcal{H}[z]
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**FOURCASTNET: A GLOBAL DATA-DRIVEN HIGH-RESOLUTION WEATHER MODEL USING ADAPTIVE FOURIER NEURAL OPERATORS**

A PREPRINT


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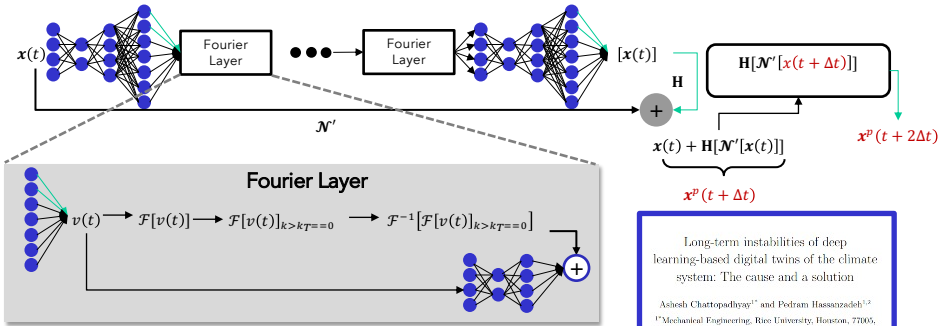
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### Model Architecture with underlying Neural Operators




**Loss Function:**

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## Physics-informed ML Model

### Model Training Underway

- Choices marked in blue are the ones that we have trained models for

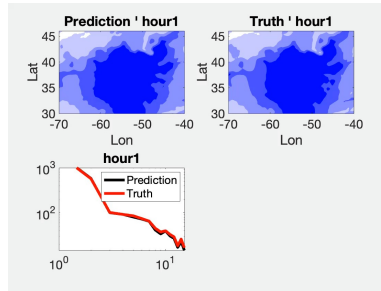
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4.  $u(t) = \begin{pmatrix} mslhf \\ msshf \\ T2m \end{pmatrix}$
5.  $u(t) = \begin{pmatrix} u10 \\ v10 \\ T2m \end{pmatrix}$

Several choices for  $\Delta t$ :

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3.  $\Delta t = 6hr$

34 hrs hourly prediction for  $mslhf$  variable along with spectral loss to track prediction stability:



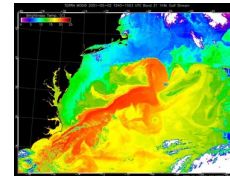
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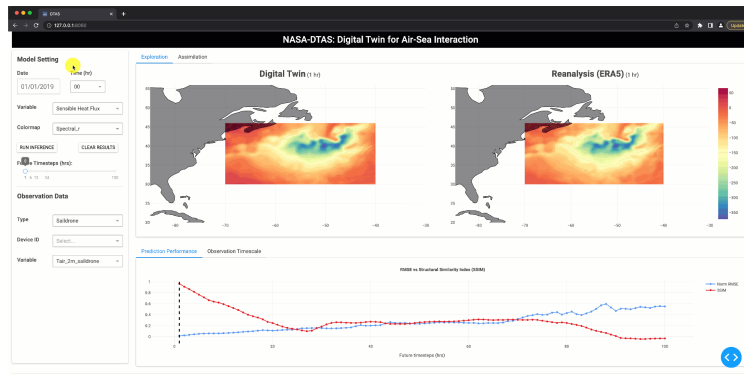
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## Visualization Interface

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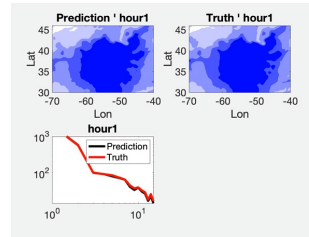
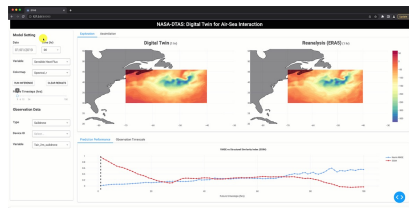
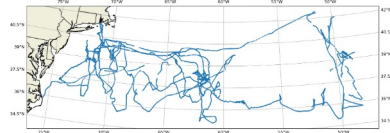
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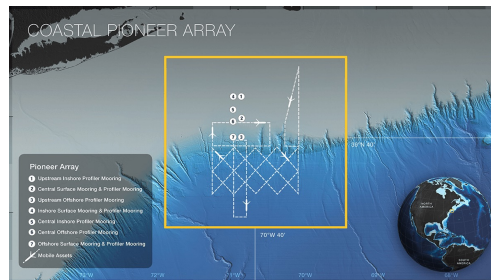
## Summary of Accomplishments

- Processed novel, in situ datasets and observational data products
- Developed physics-informed ML model based on FourCastNet architecture
- Created initial visual interface for interacting with digital twin



## Future Plans

- Test various choices for ML model formulation
- Add multi-dimensional data assimilation of observational datasets through Saildrone measurements
- Process independent flux dataset for validation
- Develop framework for post-hoc analysis, including uncertainty quantification
- Refine visual interface to add capacity for model diagnosis and “what-if” investigations





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## Actual or Potential Infusions and Collaborations

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- NASA Decadal Survey Incubation Team - PI Gray has become a member of the NASA Planetary Boundary Layer Incubation Team (Technology co-leads: Jeff Piepmeier & Amin Nehrir, NASA ; Science lead: Carol Anne Clayson, WHOI)
- Collaboration with FourCastNet development group via new team member Ashesh Chattopadhyay





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# Predicting What We Breathe

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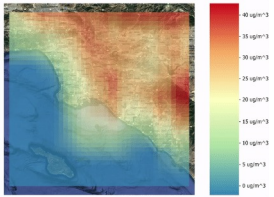
**Objective**

- Increase the accessibility and use of space data by using machine learning to help cities predict air quality (AQ) in ways that can be acted upon to improve human health outcomes.
- Increase the use of space data, with an additional scope on the intersection of health issues (with a focus on air quality) and transportation, particularly the new operational planning for urban air mobility.
- Provide these tools and algorithms to future Earth science missions (e.g., MAIA) to provide rapid ground truth, combine multiple data sources, and support more rapid use of mission data.

**Approach**

- Develop machine learning (ML) algorithms to create predictive models for air quality based on measurements of 2.5 micron particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), Ozone, NO<sub>x</sub> and other air pollutants.
- Develop a big data analytics algorithm for integrating ground and space data..
- Develop predictive models for health risk using deep learning and machine learning.
- Build PM<sub>2.5</sub> stack for integrating ground and space data.
- Create a model for cities with shared attributes to understand predictions and effective interventions.
- Implement models for megacities: Los Angeles, Mexico City, Durban (South Africa), and London
- Developed the Digital Twin models for transportation and air quality

**Co-Is/Partners:** M. Pourhomayoun, Cal State LA; C. Hagerbaumer, OpenAQ; AQMD



Predicted Air Pollution

**Key Milestones**


• Identify AQ data data for modeling	06/20
• Identify ML model	07/20
• Develop ML algorithm	12/20
• Identify City interventions	11/20
• Determine megacity attributes	08/20
• Complete ML training runs	09/20
• Validate algorithm	10/21
• Extend ML algorithm to additional sensor data	09/22
• Complete Pre- and post-intervention analysis	09/22
• 5 predictive models for predicting PM <sub>2.5</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>3</sub> , NO, CO are developed and transferred to AWS to run on the cloud	12/22
• Formalize data sharing agreements, selection of datasets, and parameters for digital twin	01/23
• Identify data models for urban air mobility with FAA, LAWA, and LADOT	03/23
• First digital twin models for Transportation and Air Pollution	06/23


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## Current State

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- **Administrative**
  - Contracts established between the City and OpenAQ and Cal State L.A.
  - Participated in ESIP meetings, MAIA early adopter meetings, and AIST Annual Reviews
  - Launched project website - [airquality.lacity.org](http://airquality.lacity.org) and email address - [airquality@lacity.org](mailto:airquality@lacity.org)
  - Project Augmentation approved for Digital Twin for Transportation and Air Quality
- **Data Preparation**
  - Additional ground-based sensor data to the model including low cost sensors
  - Prepared the data for other cities, feedback from other cities
  - Baselined initial digital twin idea for AQ in Los Angeles
  - Identified ground-based and satellite datasets available from NASA, OpenAQ, and existing City department projects
  - Established regular engagement within the AQ data community to collaborate on best practices for accessing and using data (NASA, OpenAQ, L.A. County Health, etc.)
  - Used NASA satellite data for machine learning algorithms
  - Identify new data with FAA, LAWA, and LADOT
- **Technical Preparation**
  - Data processing and integration
  - Designing machine learning approaches
  - Developing and training machine learning Algorithms for discovering spatiotemporal patterns in the data and make predictions for PM<sub>2.5</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, NO, CO
  - ESIP Evaluation completed
  - First digital twin models for Transportation and Air Pollution

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## Current State (continued)


- **Community Engagement**
  - International
    - Held workshop at International Astronautical Congress in Dubai, U.A.E. with European Space Agency, African Space Union, South African Space Agency, and Rwandan Space Agency for data and support to African sister cities (October 2021)
    - AQ sister cities attended International workshop (Feb 2022)
      - Mexico City, Durban and London used the PWWB algorithm
    - Published and presented 18 peer-reviewed papers and 3 meeting papers
  - Regional
    - Continued engagement with community advocates (Anthem Blue Cross, Southern California Asthma Association, SmartAirLA, Pacoima Beautiful, City Council, and AQMD)
    - Augmented reality app with Agents of Discovery for community science
      - 4 Air Quality based Missions launched June 2022
      - 1 AQ based mission launched April 2023
    - Defined citizen science project with LA Public Library and SafeCast sensors
    - Identified AQ interventions to measure
    - Provided sensors to community-based organizations, conducted sessions with community members and Purple Air trainers
    - Engaged with the L.A. Public Library and the LA Mayor's Youth Council for Climate Action to increase community awareness of our Agents of Discovery Air Quality missions
    - Partnered with Agents of Discovery and Wonders of Wildlife to provide an [educational video](#) on Predicting Air Quality



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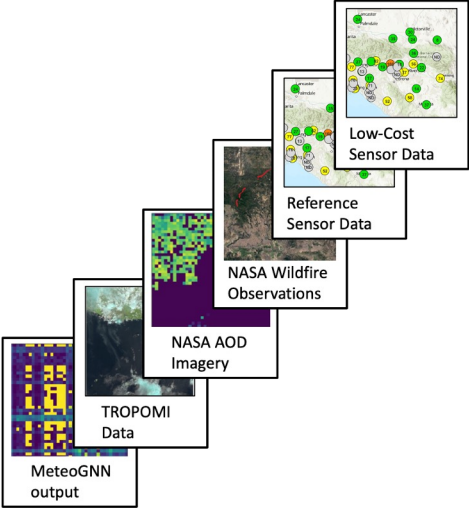
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## Predictive Model and Data

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**New Dataset added**


- NASA AOD Imagery
- ESA/NASA TROPOMI Data
- NASA Wildfire data: MISR, MODIS, FRP
- Reference Sensors
- Low Cost Sensors: 32 AQMD and 48 PurpleAir community maintained sensors.
- Meteorological data
- LandSat products

**Data Processing and Data Fusion**

- Preprocessing and cleansing
- Outliers/trustworthiness and missing values
- Feature extraction and knowledge discovery
- Feature selection and dimensionality Reduction
- Format matching and alignments

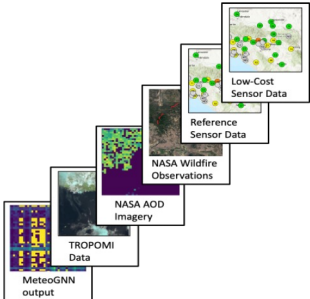
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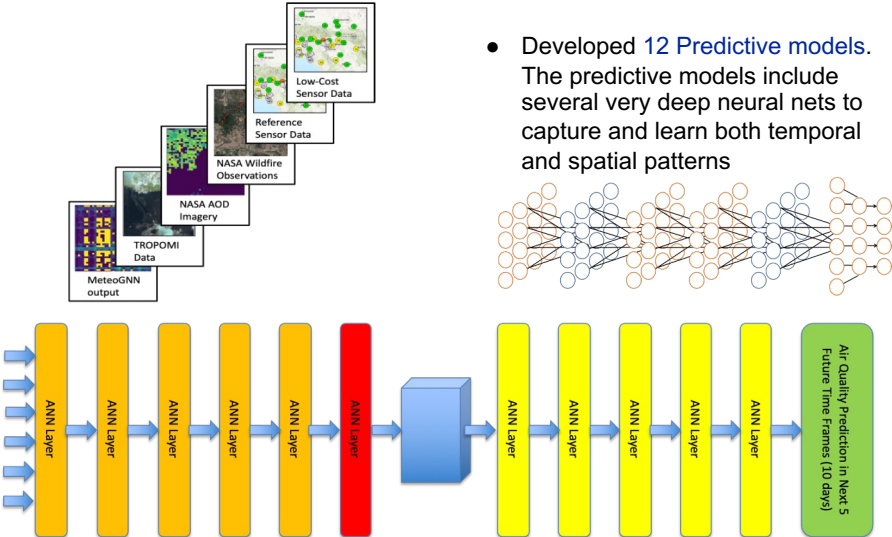


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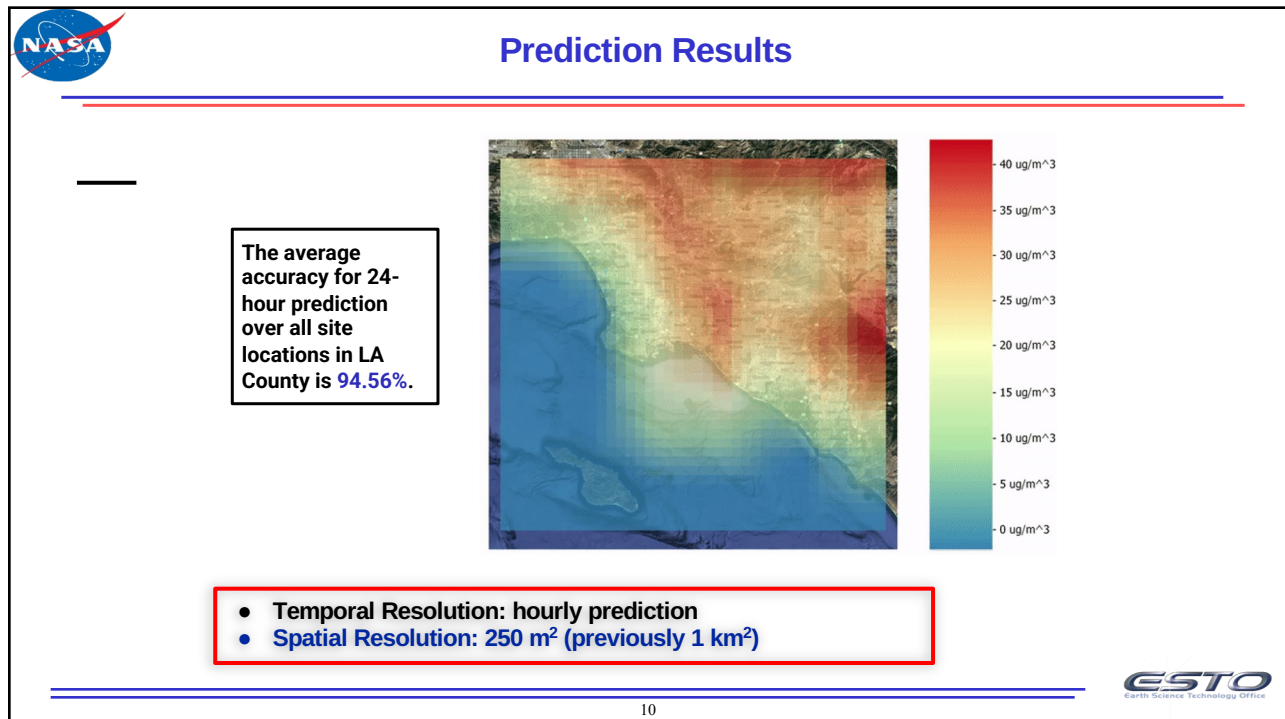
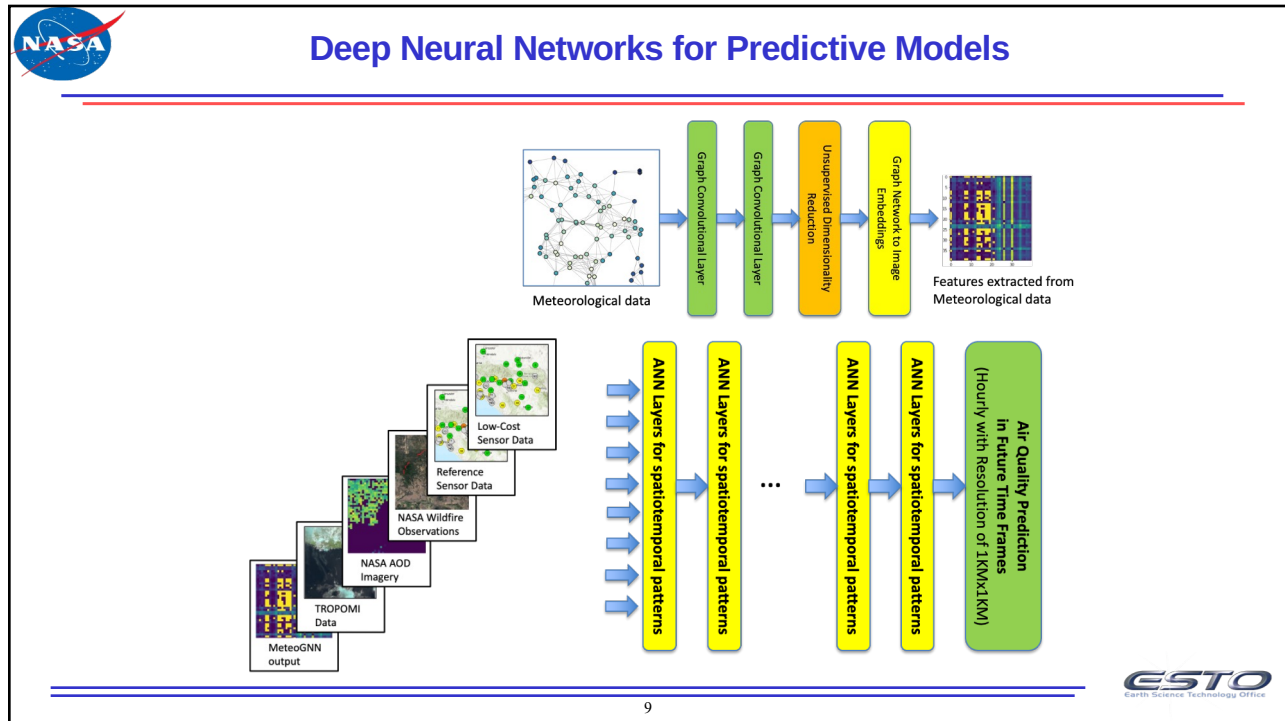


- Developed 12 Predictive models. The predictive models include several very deep neural nets to capture and learn both temporal and spatial patterns



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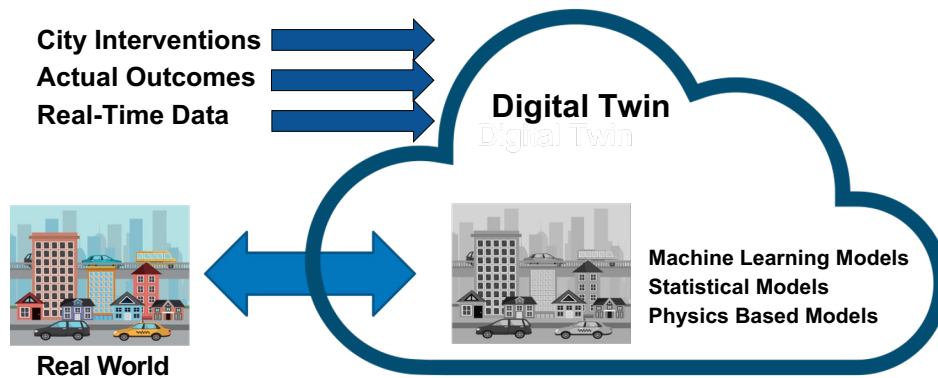






## Digital Twin for Air Pollution and Transportation

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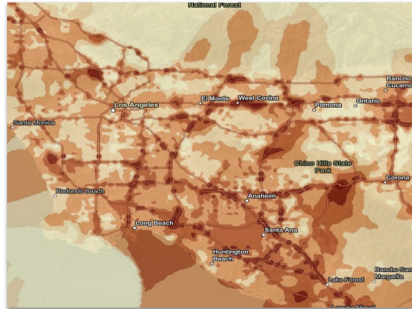
- The digital twin that **visualizes AQ predictions** for various types of air pollutants on various time scales
- The digital twin visualizes and **connects real-time air quality to transportation.**
- Through this work we will be able to visualize and **model what-if scenarios** showing the impact of changing modes of transportation or modifying public transportation on air quality.
- More importantly, to understand the impact of adding urban **air mobility** on transportation and air quality.

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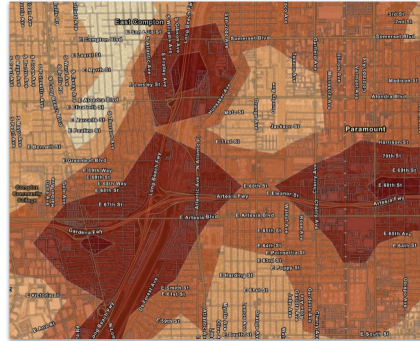


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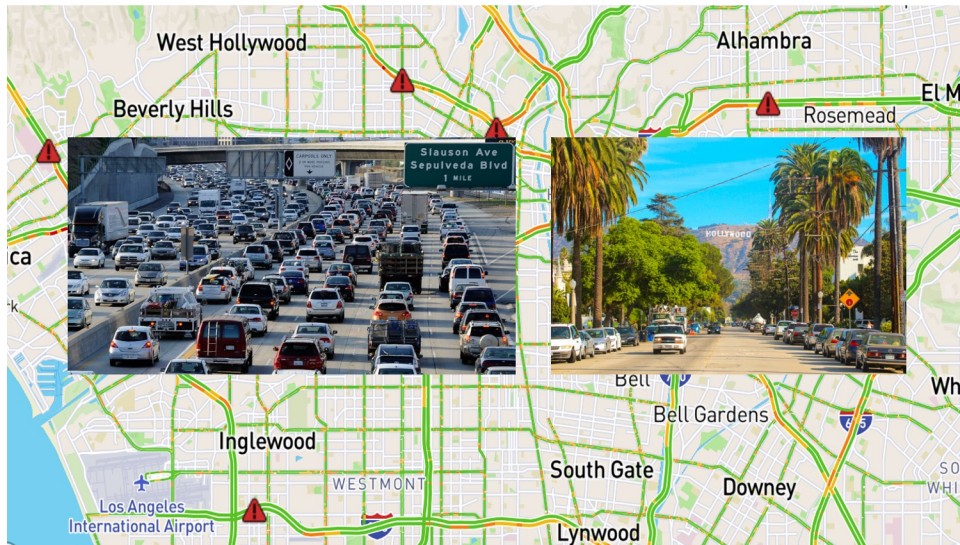
### The impact of Fossil Fuel Combustion by Cars, Trucks, and Busses




The projected air pollution created by Fossil Fuel Combustion by Cars, Trucks, and Busses



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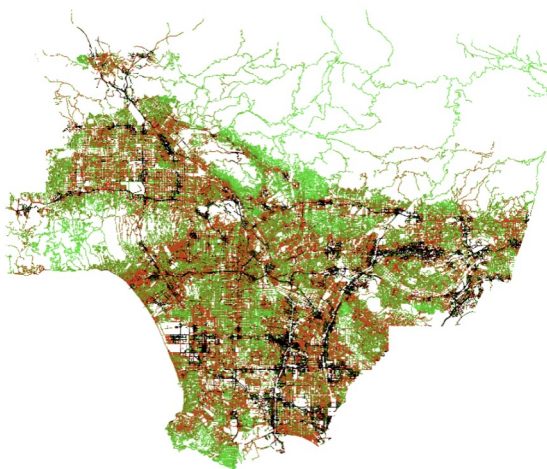







## Digital Twin for Air Pollution and Transportation


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- Compute live traffic counts in real-time for every location.
- Convert traffic counts into live traffic-driven air pollution.
  
- Real-time Traffic Flow
- Static Traffic Count
- Real-time Traffic Count
  
- Need to consider car speed and type of cars in each street

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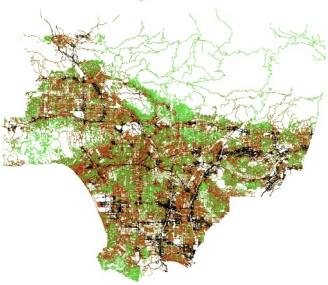






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Real-time Traffic Flow → Statistical modeling for every street in the entire city → Real-time Traffic Count → Vehicle Fuel Combustion Information → Real-time Transportation Air Pollution

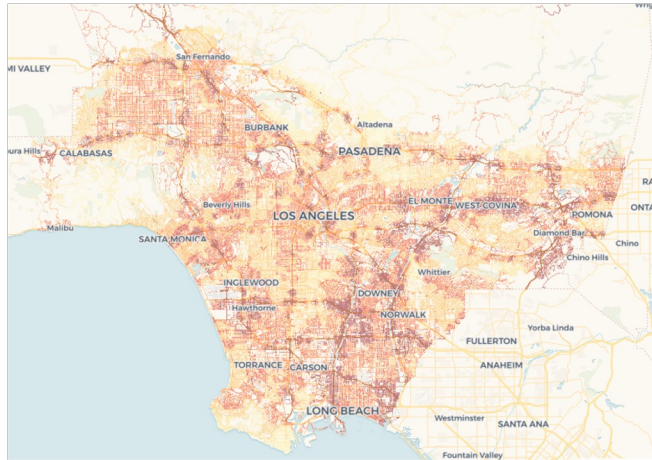



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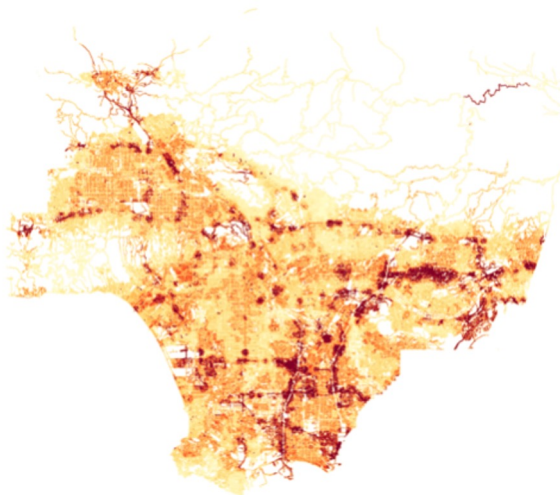
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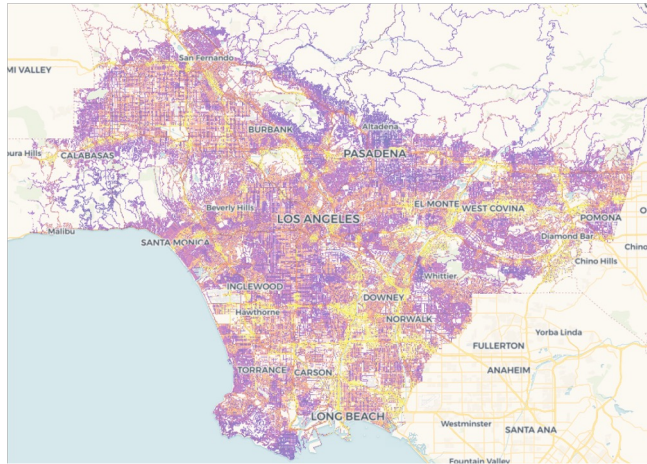


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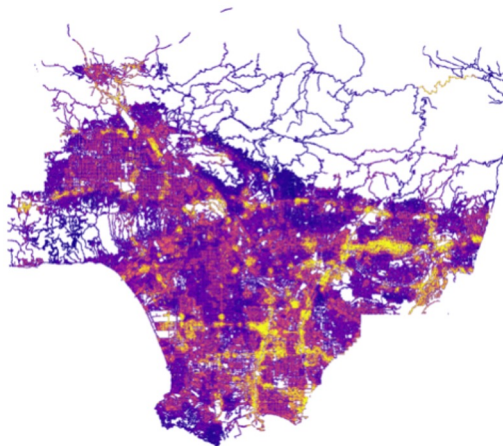
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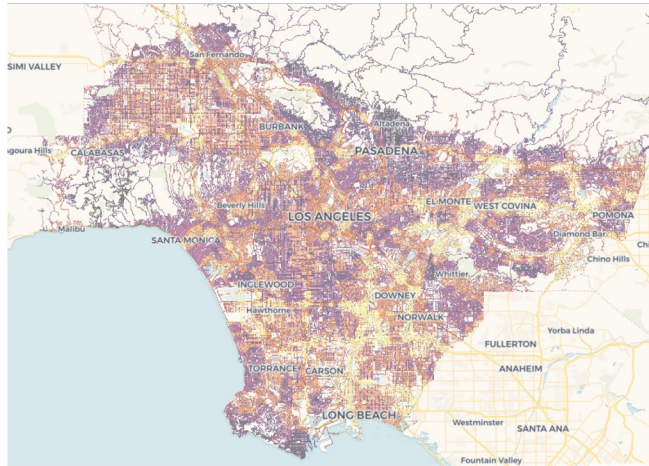


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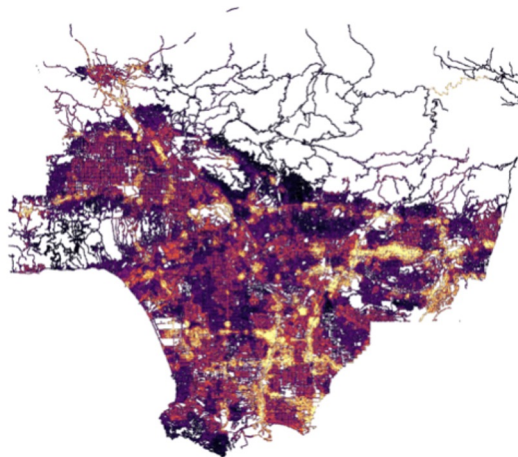
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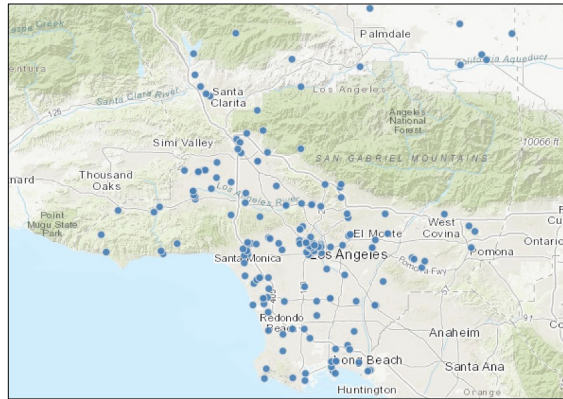
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- Next Steps: Understand the impact of adding urban air mobility on transportation and AQ
- Digital Twin expansion to include air mobility based on city regulations
- Locations of Heliports in Los Angeles County



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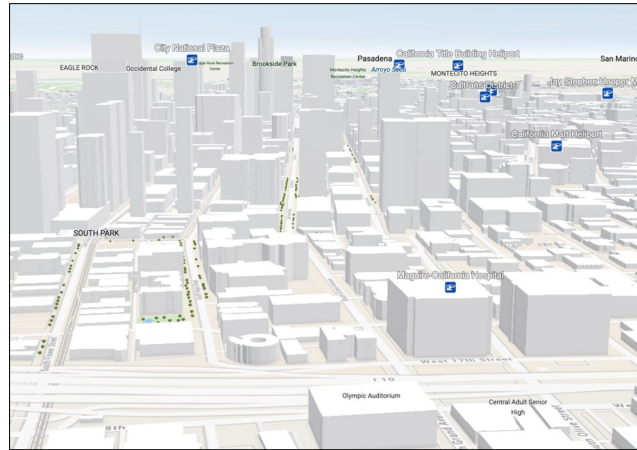
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## Plan Forward

### Next Steps

#### PWWB

- Developing more predictive models for predicting other air pollutants
- Adding new datasets to the predictive models including more high-resolution satellite observations from NASA and new fire/smoke satellite data as well as more sensor data.
- Continue evolution of model, algorithms, and validation
- Continue to align augmented project scope of Developing an ACF for Air Quality as a collaboration among identified AIST projects - PWWB model has been merged into ACF system

#### Transition to Global Digital Twin for Transportation and Air Quality

- Developing more robust digital twin for L.A. and model with other global cities
- Continue to identify and integrate local data (health, polluters, traffic, roads, ports) from IOT and in-situ sensors; this includes the addition of data from the FAA, the City, NASA, and urban air manufacturers to run scenarios on the impact of moving traffic to a three dimensional space.
- Launch augmented project scope on Creating A City Global Digital Twin
- Understand the impact of adding urban air mobility on transportation and AQ
- Continue developing Digital Twin models to include air mobility based on city regulations
- Continue to engage community for environmental justice for awareness and support, and healthcare partners (Propeller Health, Anthem Blue Cross, Southern California Asthma Association) to improve health outcomes



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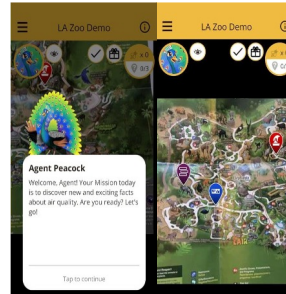
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## Infusions and Collaborations

- Predicting What We Breathe Community Engagement
  - Distributed sensors in environmental justice communities
  - Regional community workshop (November 2021)
  - Partnered with LAUSD on sensor lessons
  - Partnered with Agents of Discovery for educational, community-based science missions (interactive learning experience as a part of extensive SoCal Explorer missions)
    - Localized City of L.A. experience
      - 3 Missions with 10 Challenges at Rec and Parks Locations
      - 1 Mission at L.A. Public Library
      - New Mission added for LA County Park (Spring 2023)
    - LA Mayor's Youth Council, Agents of Discovery and Wonders of Wildlife to present educational video on Air Quality
- Digital Twin - Integration of data from the FAA, the City, NASA, and urban air manufacturers to run scenarios on the impact of moving traffic to a three dimensional space.



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## Publications

Journal and Conference Papers: **18 peer-reviewed papers**, six meeting papers

- Paper published in ICDATA 2023:
  - “Predicting Atmospheric Air Pollution: A Convolutional-Transformer Approach for Spatial and Temporal Analysis of PM2.5”
- Paper published in CSCI 2022:
  - Multi-Pollutant Ground-Level Air Pollution Prediction through Deep MeteorGCN-ConvLSTM
- Paper published in ICDATA 2022:
  - “High-Resolution Spatiotemporal PM2.5 Prediction with Deep Convolutional LSTM using Atmospheric and Ground-level Data”
- Published in the Journal of Atmosphere 2022
  - Air Pollution Prediction through Deep Learning Using Multisource Meteorological, Wildfire, and Heat Data (<https://www.mdpi.com/2073-4433/13/5/822>)
- Two papers at the [AGU \(American Geophysical Union\) Fall Meeting 2022](#)
  - Global High-Resolution PM2.5 Prediction Applying Multi-source Big Data through Deep Convolutional LSTM
  - Digital Twin Cities for Air Quality Simulation



## Publications (continued)

- Two papers published/presented in International Astronautical Congress (Sep 2022)
  - Federating Space, Air, and Ground Data for Air Quality Around the World
  - Creating Global Digital Twins to Improve Air Quality and COVID Outcomes
- Published in the journal of Air Quality, Atmosphere, and Health 2021
  - Predicting PM2.5 atmospheric air pollution using deep learning with meteorological data and ground-based observations and remote-sensing satellite big data ([link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11869-021-01126-3](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11869-021-01126-3))
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  - [AQACF: A Platform for Air Quality Analysis, Visualization, and Prediction](#)
- Paper published in ICDATA 2021:
  - “A Comprehensive Analysis of Air Pollution and Equity During COVID-19”
- Two papers published/presented in 2020 International Conference on Computational Science and Computational Intelligence (CSCI'20: December 16-18, 2020, Las Vegas, USA) [www.american-cse.org/csci2020/](http://www.american-cse.org/csci2020/)
  - *Satellite Image Atmospheric Air Pollution Prediction through Meteorological Graph Convolutional Network with Deep Convolutional LSTM*
  - *Sensor-Based Air Pollution Prediction Using Deep CNN-LSTM*





## Publications (continued)

- Paper presented at ICDATA conference (July 27, 2020): [presentation video](#)
  - *Spatiotemporal Air Pollution Prediction with Deep ConvLSTM via Satellite Image Analysis*
- Presented project at the [Environmental Law Institute](#) (July 29, 2020)
  - ELI is supporting the U.S. EPA to characterize and learn from how states, tribes, and local governments are using citizen science in their programs
- Peer-reviewed paper at [International Astronautical Congress](#) (October 11, 2020)
- European Space Agency's Space for Twin Cities broadcast (November 2020)
- Workshops
  - International City Engagement Workshop (February 24, 2022)
  - Los Angeles Community Engagement Workshop (May 27, 2021)
- Two abstracts presented in [AGU \(American Geophysical Union\) Fall Meeting \(December 2020\)](#)
  - *Particulate Matter Forecasting in Los Angeles County with Ground-Based Sensor Data Analytics*
  - *Real-Time Spatiotemporal NO<sub>2</sub> Air Pollution Prediction with Deep Convolutional LSTM through Satellite Image Analytics*
- Other
  - Presented at LADWP-MWD University Symposium (May 19, 2022)
  - Project mentioned by Mayor Garcetti: [SCAQMD Environmental Justice Conference](#)
  - UN International Day of Clean Air: [City of L.A. Social Media](#) (September 7, 2020)
  - Clean Air Day - City of L.A.: [Press Release](#) and [Social Media](#) (October 7, 2020)
  - Presented at City of L.A. Chief Sustainability Officer Meeting (November 18, 2020)



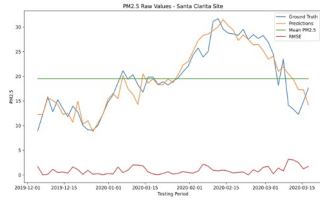
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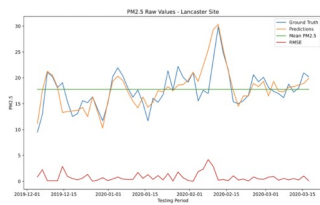


## Predicting PM2.5 Based on Satellite Observations, Ground Sensors, Meteorological Data, and Wildfire/Smoke Data

Santa Clarita Site PM 2.5 Observed Sensor Data vs Predicted



Lancaster Site PM 2.5 Observed Sensor Data vs Predicted



48-hour prediction Accuracy	Sensor Location
94%	Downtown LA
95%	Long Beach
91%	Lancaster
91%	Glendora
93%	Santa Clarita
93%	Reseda
95%	Long Beach – Rt 710



## Predicting PM2.5 Based on Satellite Observations, Ground Sensors, Meteorological Data, and Wildfire/Smoke Data

### Input data

- Satellite observations NASA MODIS
- Ground-based sensors (13 in L.A. County), hourly
- Wildfire/Smoke data from NASA MODIS, MERRA-2
- Meteorological data

10-Day Prediction Accuracy	Days
93%	2 days in future
90%	4 days in future
88%	6 days in future
83%	8 days in future
80%	10 days in future



### Predicting Ozone Based on Satellite Observations, Ground Sensors, Meteorological Data, and Wildfire/Smoke Data

48-hour prediction Accuracy	Sensor Location
93.53%	Downtown LA
95.90%	Long Beach
91.25%	Santa Clarita
88.19%	Reseda
86.23%	Lancaster
87.35%	Glendora
91.45%	Westchester
87.49%	Pico Rivera
90.04%	Compton
92.87%	Pasadena
93.10%	West LA
92.13%	Azusa
90.59%	Pomona

Accuracy	Frame #
91%	Frame 1: 2 days in future
89%	Frame 2: 4 days in future
86%	Frame 3: 6 days in future
84%	Frame 4: 8 days in future
80%	Frame 5: 10 days in future

- Satellite observations NASA MODIS
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- Wildfire/Smoke data from NASA MODIS, MERRA-2
- Meteorological data



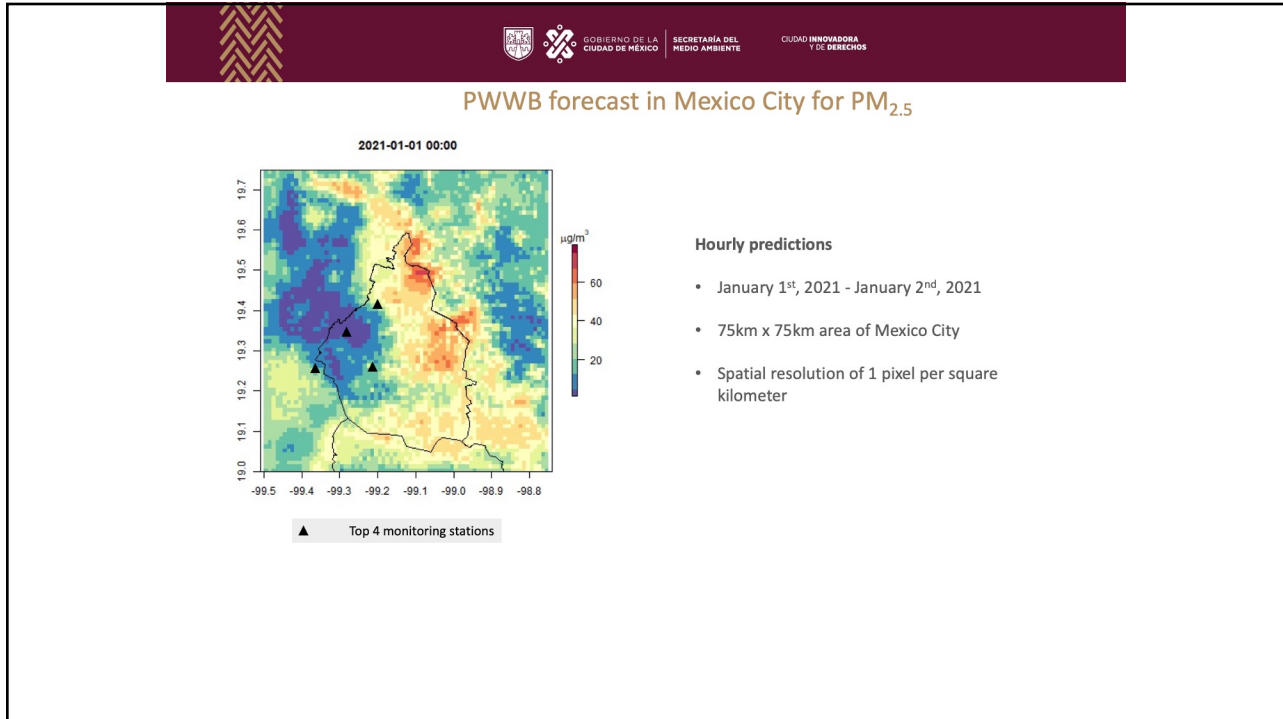
### Predicting NO<sub>2</sub> Based on Satellite Observations, Ground Sensors, Meteorological Data, and Wildfire/Smoke Data

24-hour prediction Accuracy	Sensor Location
93%	Downtown LA
91%	Long Beach
91%	Santa Clarita
89%	Reseda
87%	Lancaster
88%	Glendora
91%	Westchester
91%	Pico Rivera
95%	Compton
92%	Pasadena
90%	West LA
92%	Azusa
92%	Pomona

Accuracy	Frame #
87.62%	Frame 1: 2 days in future
84.15%	Frame 2: 4 days in future
82.38%	Frame 3: 6 days in future
79.06%	Frame 4: 8 days in future
72%	Frame 5: 10 days in future

- Satellite observations NASA MODIS
- Ground-based sensors (13 in L.A. County), hourly
- Wildfire/Smoke data from NASA MODIS, MERRA-2
- Meteorological data





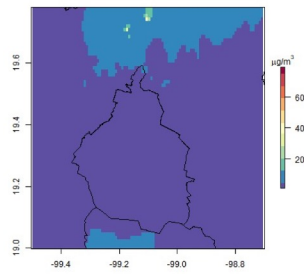
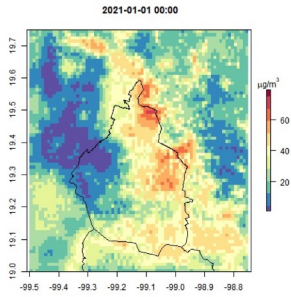
Average Accuracy	Monitoring Station
94.87%	Santa Fe
94.72%	Ajusco Medio*
94.53%	Miguel Hidalgo*
94.51%	Investigaciones Nucleares
94.42%	Hospital General de México*
94.39%	Benito Juárez
94.34%	Tlalnepantla
94.19%	San Agustín
94.18%	Merced
94.17%	Gustavo A. Madero
93.95%	Ajusco
93.69%	Nezahualcóyotl
93.68%	Centro de Ciencias de la Atmósfera
93.56%	Xalostoc*
93.39%	UAM Xochimilco

### Comparison with Mexico City's current forecast model

PM<sub>2.5</sub> hourly predicted values

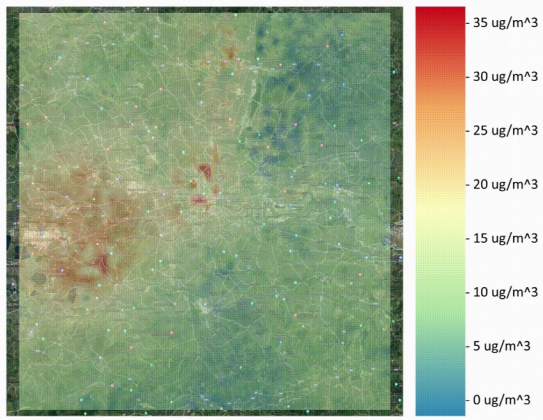
• PWWB

• SEDEMA 18z



### London, U.K. PWWB Instance

Hourly prediction for Jan .1, 2022



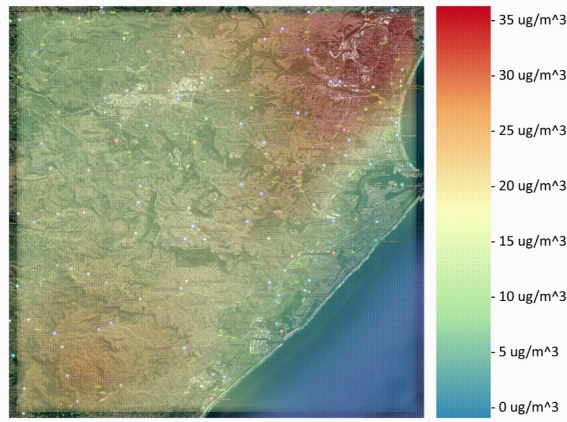
#### London Predicted PM2.5 Results

Predicted ground-level PM2.5 in 12 sensor locations in London hourly

Average Accuracy	Sensor Location
91.03%	London Teddington Bushy Park
91.14%	Kensington and Chelsea
91.04%	Sutton - Beddington Lane
89.61%	Camden - Bloomsbury
91.17%	City of London - Farringdon Street
90.90%	City of London - The Aldgate School
90.77%	Tower Hamlets - Blackwall
90.65%	Greenwich - Westhorpe Avenue
91.03%	Greenwich - A206 Burrage Grove
90.92%	Greenwich - Plumstead High Street
90.98%	Greenwich - Falconwood FDMS
91.02%	Havering - Rainham

Durban, South Africa PWWB Instance

Hourly prediction for Jan. 1, 2022



Durban Predicted PM2.5 Results

Predicted ground-level PM2.5 in 4 sensor locations in Durban hourly

Average Accuracy	Sensor Location
94.54%	Settlers
94.53%	Wentworth
93.88%	Durban City Hall
95.61%	New Germany



# **AIST IDEAS: Integrated Digital Earth Analysis System for Hydrology**

## **Mid-year Review**

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# IDEAS: Integrated Digital Earth Analysis System

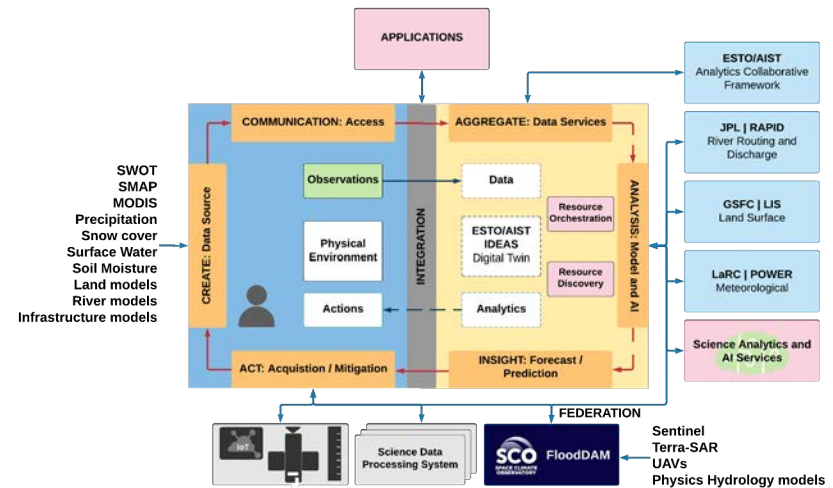
Thomas Huang, JPL

## Objective

Develop a candidate software architecture for an Earth System Digital Twin (ESDT) that can coordinate services, models and observations (data) from multiple sources to analyze interacting Earth systems.

Prototype an application of the architecture to demonstrate three key ESDT capabilities in the context of floods and their impacts:

- Harmonize observations and model outputs to **analyze and explore the current state of the Earth system (flooding)**
- Coordinate models and observations to **perform predictions and what-if projections** of floods and their impacts.
- **Federate with other ESDTs** to allow more comprehensive analyses by leveraging their data sets, models, and analytics.



IDEAS is a Digital Twin architecture enabling analysis of interacting Earth systems, such as for floods and their impacts, from cross-mission models and data sets.

## Approach

**Architecture, interfaces and workflows.** Build on SDAP, an AIST-funded architecture for collaborative analysis across data sources. Enable coarse coordination across models by developing analytic workflows that orchestrate model execution and open interfaces for exchanging geophysical variables among models.

**New Observing Strategies.** Dynamic data assimilation.

**Integrate models and data sets** for interacting hydrologic and human systems, including the Land Information System (LIS), RAPID (rivers), and POWER (power and agroclimatology).

**Federate** with SCO-FloodDAM physics-based flood models, datasets and image generation.

**Co-Is/Partners:** S. Kumar, GSFC; P. Stackhouse, D. Borges, LaRC; C. David, C. Oaida, JPL; S. Baillarin, CNES/SCO (FloodDAM)

## Key Milestones

- Architecture design. Identification of specific datasets, models, and analysis use cases. 03/22
- Initial prototype of IDEAS system. Integration of data sets and interfaces with models. 06/22
- IDEAS demonstration: analysis across models and data sets of current Earth system state. 09/22
- Integration of ML models for event recognition and prediction 03/23
- Federation with SCO-FloodDAM models and data. 06/23
- IDEAS demonstration: forecasts and what-if projections 09/23

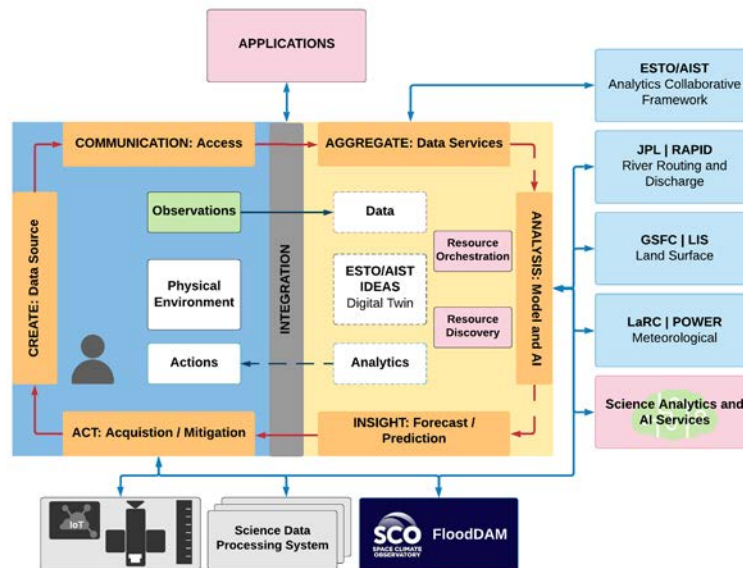
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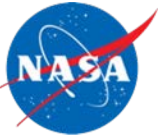
# ESTO/AIST Integrated Digital Earth Analysis System (IDEAS)

- **IDEAS** - NASA ESTO/AIST Earth System Digital Twins project bridges the physical environment and its virtual representation - Continuously assimilating new observations to improve forecast and prediction for integrated science and decision support
- 2-year project using water cycle and flood analysis as the prototype application for integrated data and science
- Multi-Agency and Multi-Center partnership (JPL, GSFC, LaRC, CNES)
- Integrate advanced numerical models and analysis
  - **JPL's RAPID**: Routing Application for Parallel computation of Discharge
  - **GSFC's LIS**: Land Information System
  - **LaRC's POWER**: Prediction of Worldwide Energy Resources
  - **Space for Climate Observatory (SCO) FloodDAM and CNES**: Automated service to reliably detect, monitor and assess flood events globally
- Engage international communities
  - Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS)
  - Group on Earth Observation (GEO)
  - United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)
  - United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM)
  - Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)



IDEAS – Digital Twin for Water Cycle and Flood Detection and Monitoring





# Summary of Accomplishments

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- New project website
- New datasets
  - Land Surface Models: NOAH, CLSM, and VIC
  - Satellite data: SMAP L3 Soil Moisture
  - RAPID discharge using different LSM inputs
  - LIS (NoahMP) runs to support 1x 2x 3x precipitation scenarios
  - RAPID discharge outputs for 1x 2x 3x precipitation scenarios
  - Vigicrues in situ observations for Garonne
- What-If examples
- Metadata service
- OGC API – Processes
  - LIS integration
  - RAPID integration
- Telemac2D output to CF-netCDF transformer
- Engagements



# Flood Digital Twins Website

**Jet Propulsion Laboratory**  
California Institute of Technology

### Featured Use Cases

**1. 2019 Mississippi River Flooding**

The Mississippi River Basin experienced historic, record breaking, and above normal precipitation during the winter, spring, and summer months. Compounded by river ice and snow melt with warming temperatures, the basin achieved the second highest state recorded river height.

- Established landing page for IDEAS-powered Flood project - <http://ideas-digitaltwin.jpl.nasa.gov/floods>
- Landing page includes links to notebook, use cases and scenarios

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### Analyse Data Quickly and Efficiently

Integrated Digital Earth Analysis System (IDEAS) Open-Source API Demonstration

NASA-JPL is committed to making science open and accessible to everyone which is why we make and support open-source projects. Our open-source Jupyter notebook is designed to showcase the versatility and simplicity of the platform. With our open-source software you are able to easily generate high quality graphs with little to no experience writing code. This interactive notebook provides a hands-on experience, demonstrating various use cases where open-source software excels in graph generation. With step-by-step code examples, even those new to data visualization can quickly grasp the process and produce visually stunning graphs.

[Download the Flood Notebook](#)

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## Integrated Digital Earth Analysis System

The IDEAS project is supported via NASA's Earth Science Technology Office from the Advanced Information Systems Technology program.

### Mission Statement

IDEAS aims to provide virtual representations of the physical environment by continuously onboarding new observations to improve forecast and prediction for integrated science and decision support. Using Digital Twin architecture, IDEAS hopes to improve the understanding, prediction of and mitigation/response to Earth system processes, natural phenomena and human activities as well as their many interactions through analysis of hypothetical scenarios. IDEAS is part of NASA's Earth Science Division, which aims to better understand Earth's systems and changes to inform decisions that affect the future of the planet.

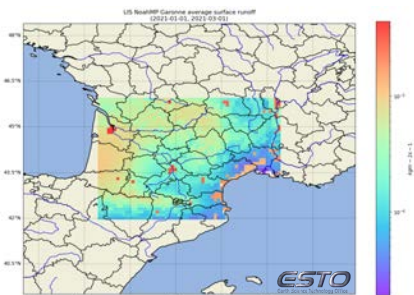
### An Earth System Digital Twin Architecture for Flood Analysis

In-situ analysis      Satellite observations      Numerical Model Outputs

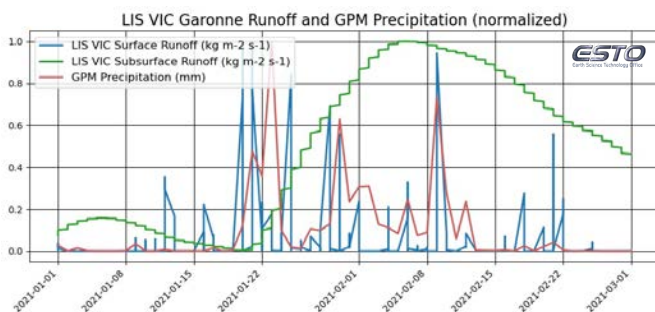


# Bringing Observations and Models Together

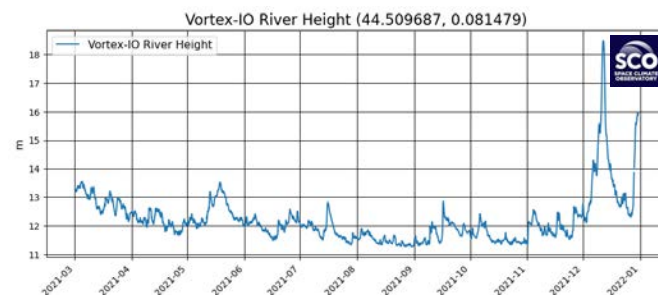
## 2021-03 through 2021-12 in Garonne



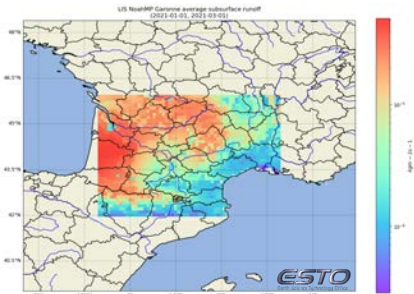
NoahMP Average Surface Runoff



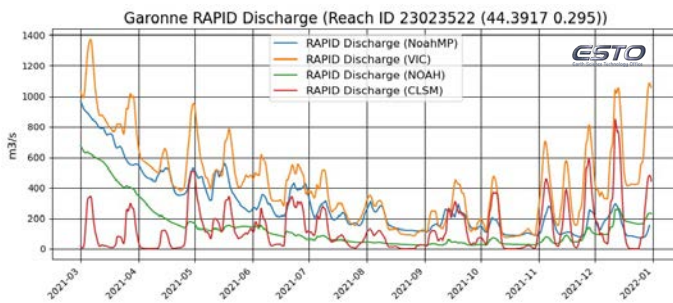
VIC Runoff and GPM Precipitation (normalized)



Vortex.io River Height



NoahMP Average Subsurface Runoff



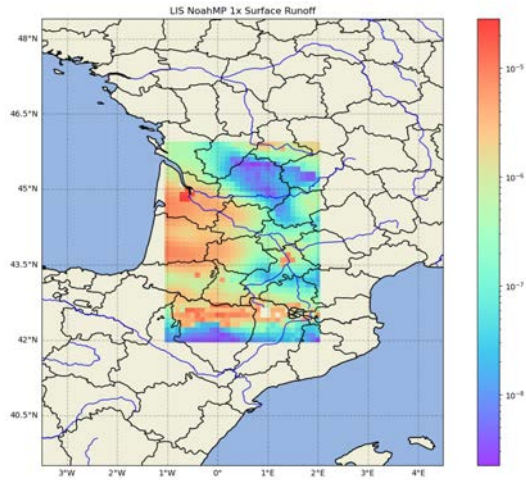
RAPID Discharge from different Land Surface Models



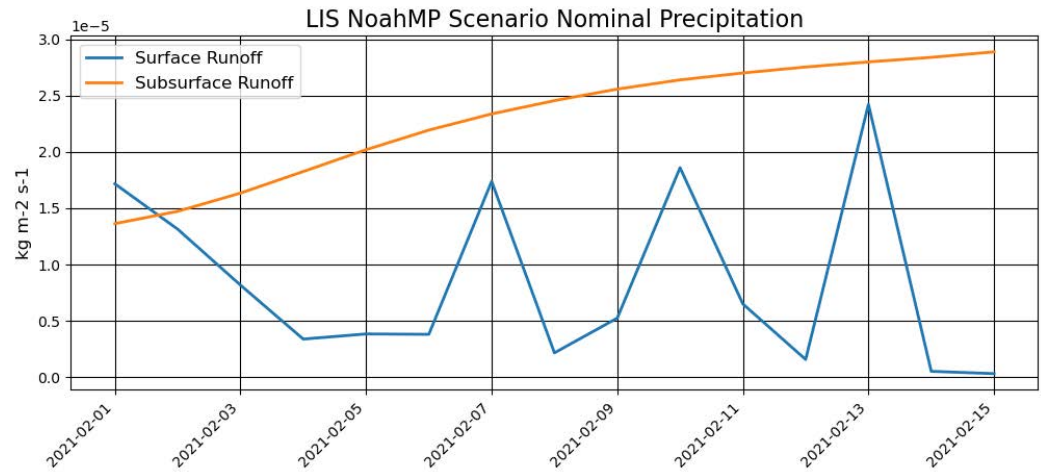
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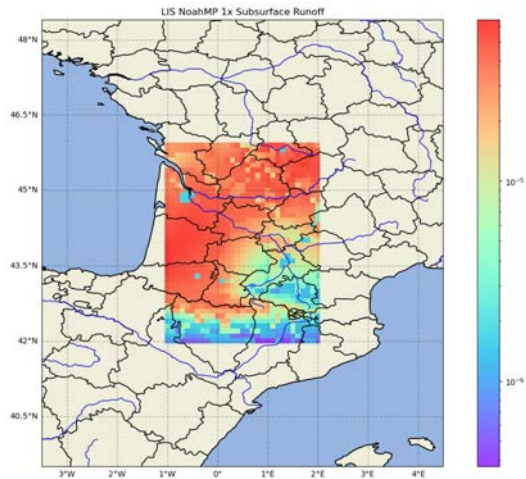
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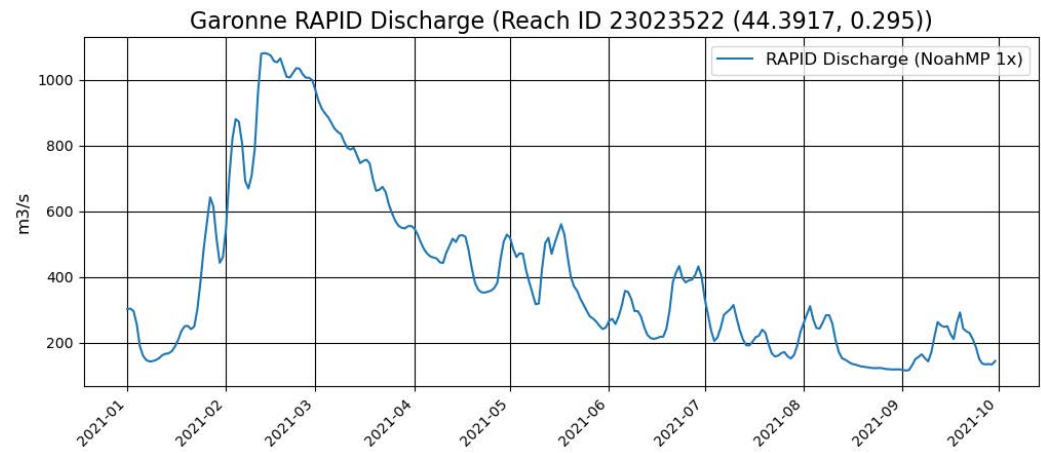
NoahMP – Surface Runoff



NoahMP Surface and Subsurface Runoffs



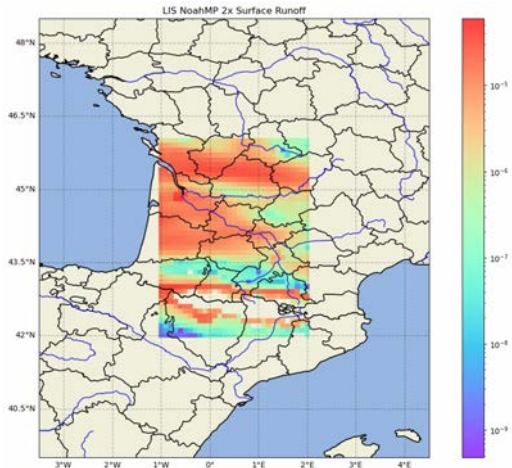
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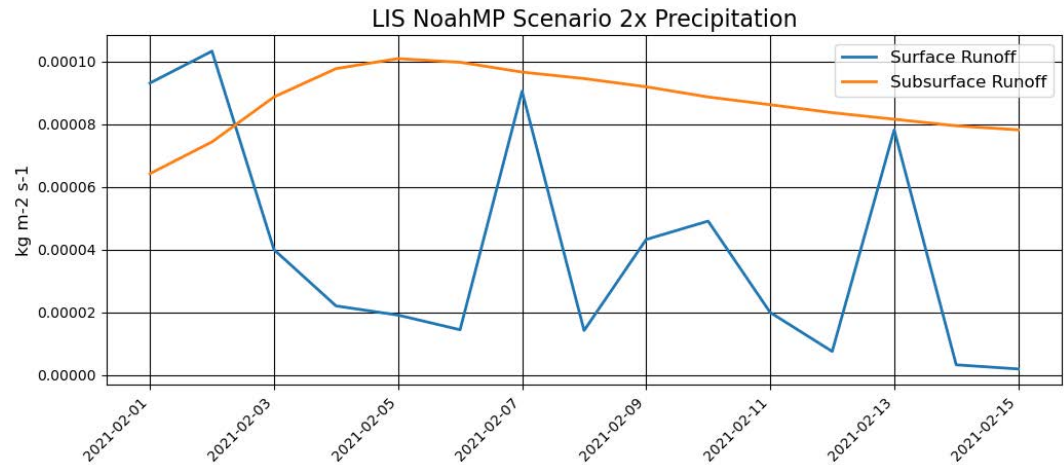
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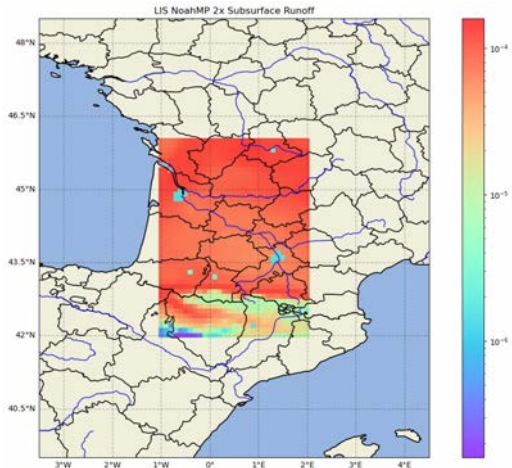
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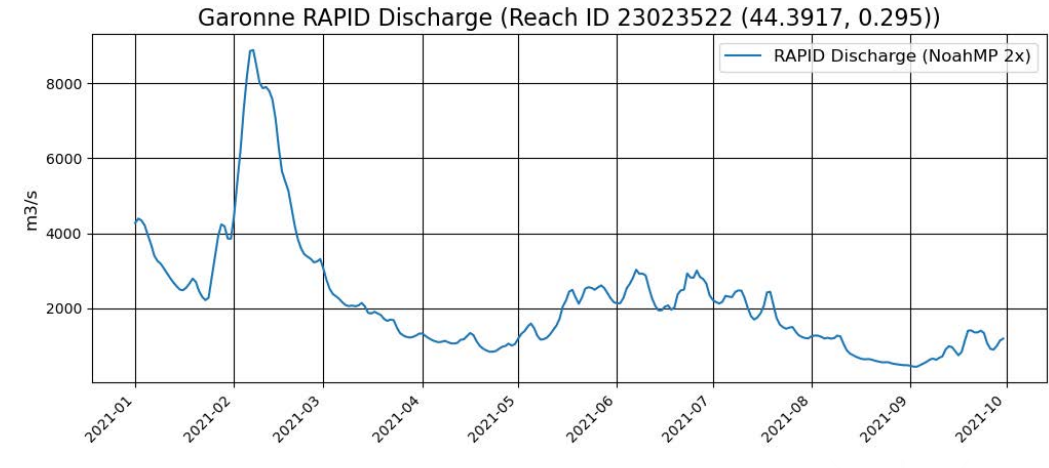
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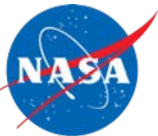
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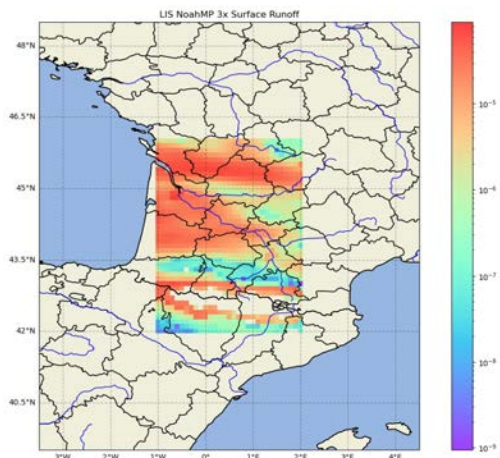
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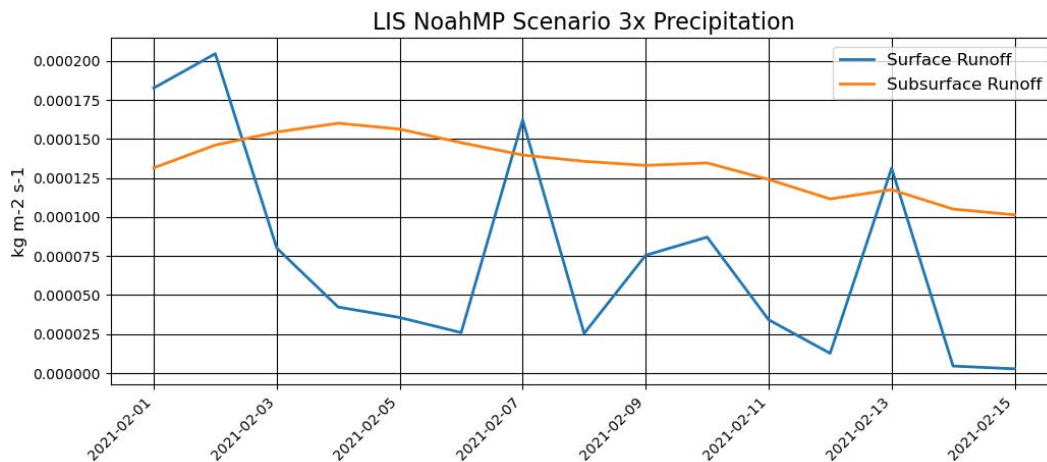
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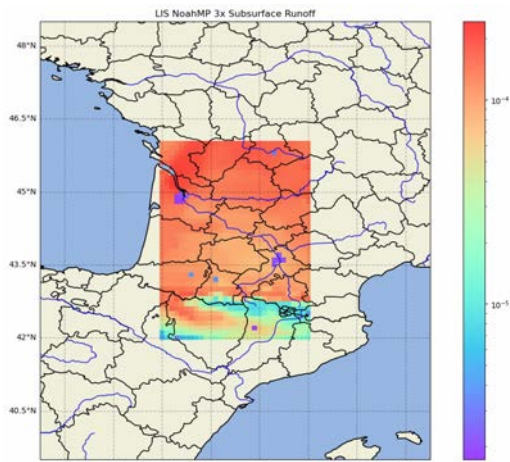
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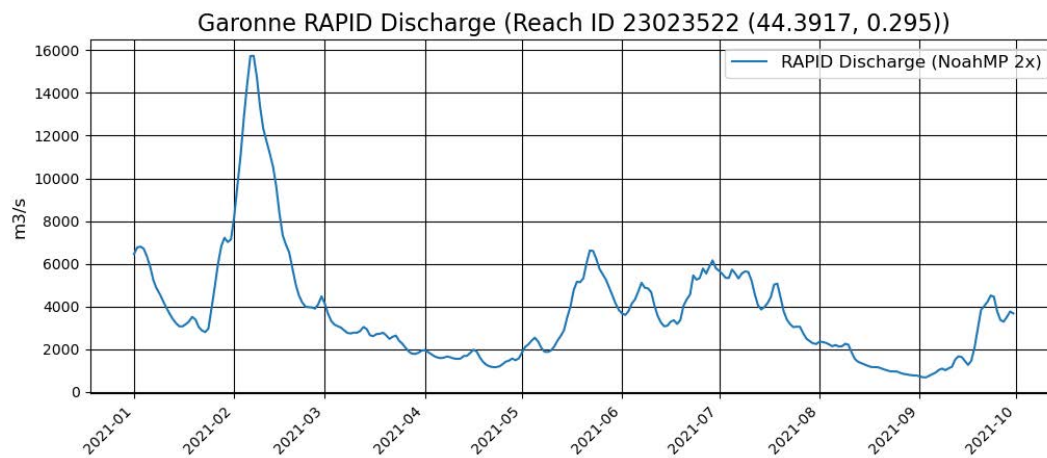
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NoahMP Surface and Subsurface Runoffs



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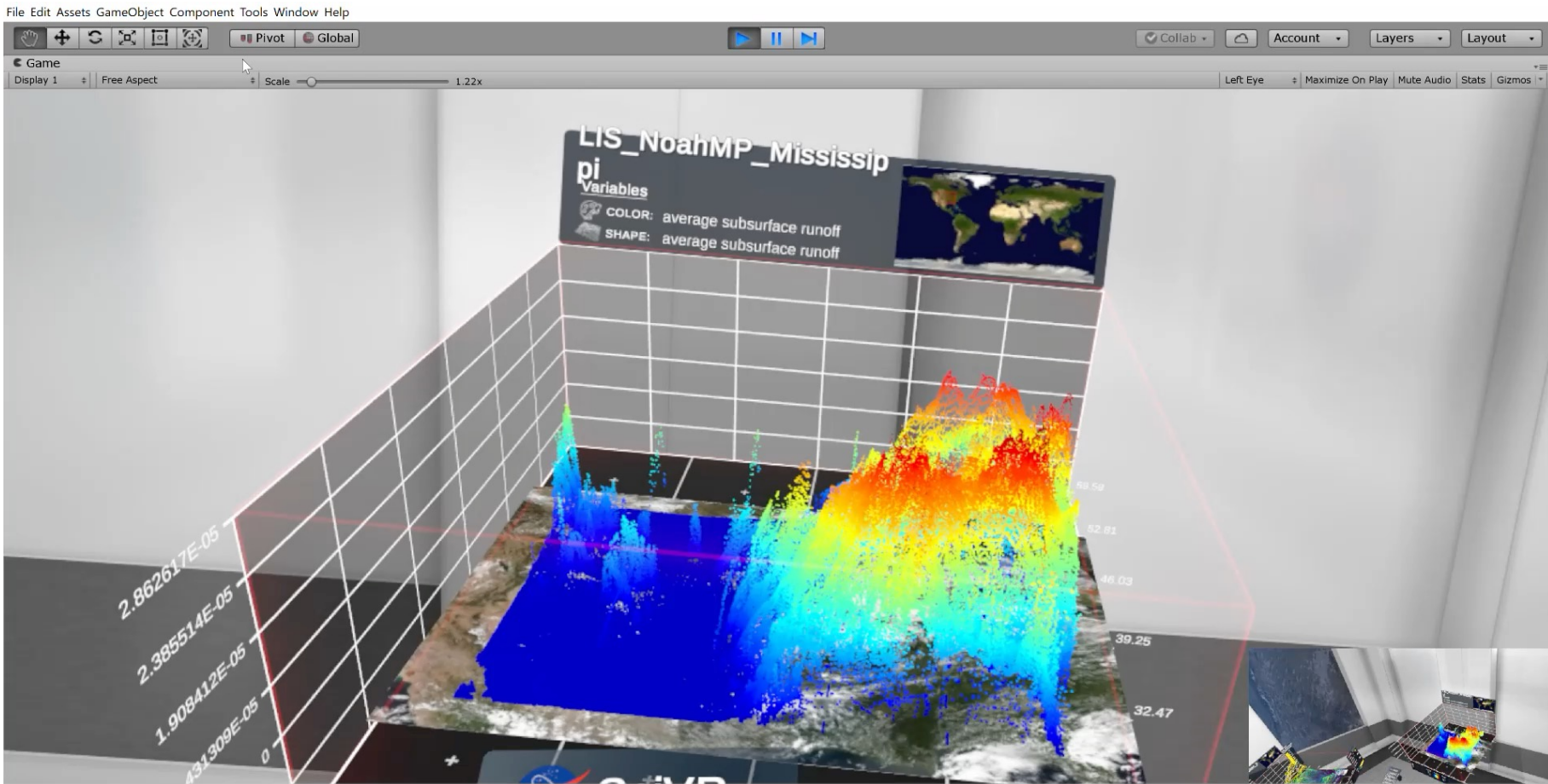


RAPID Discharge





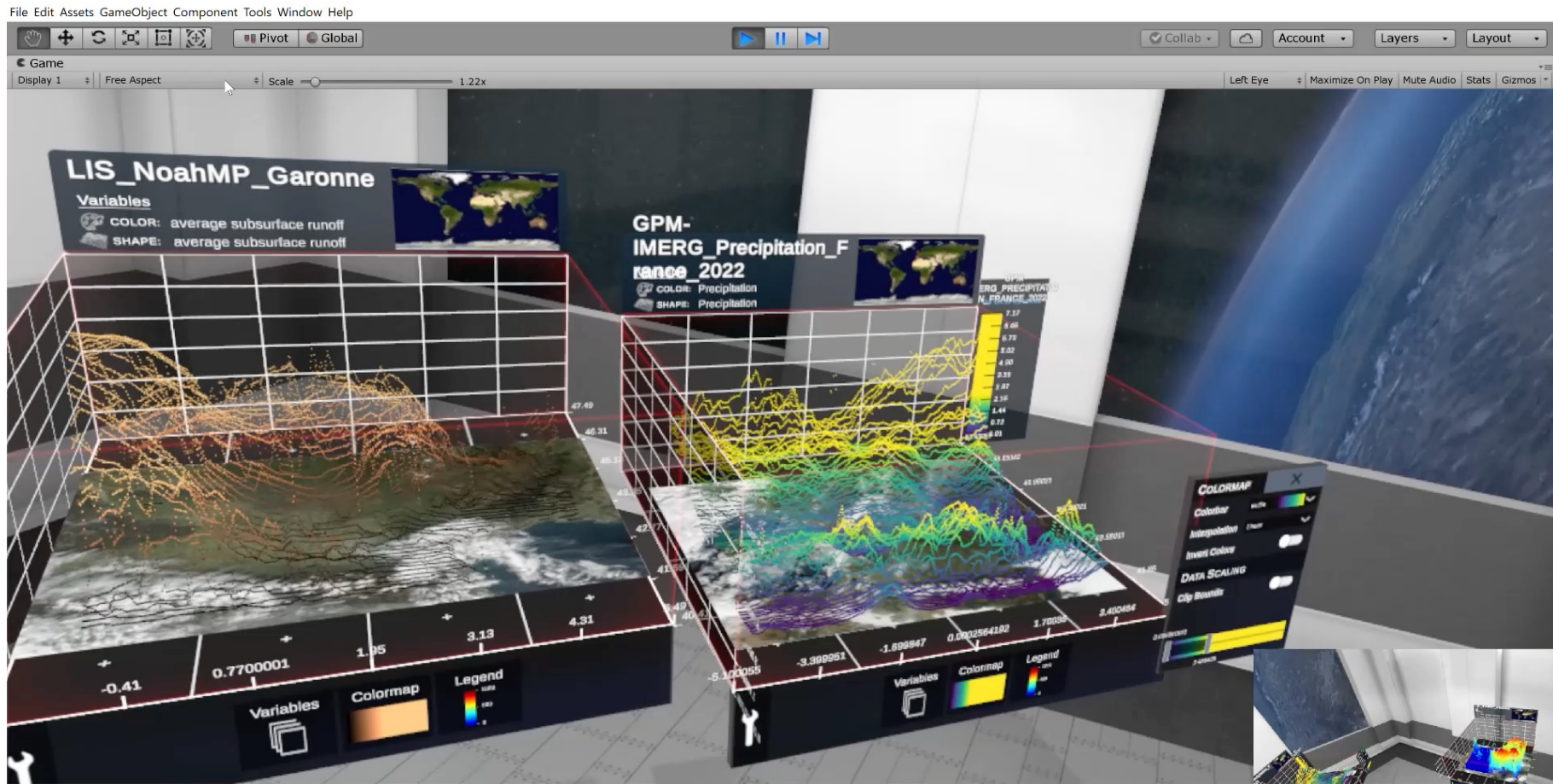
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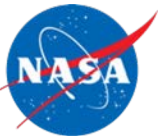
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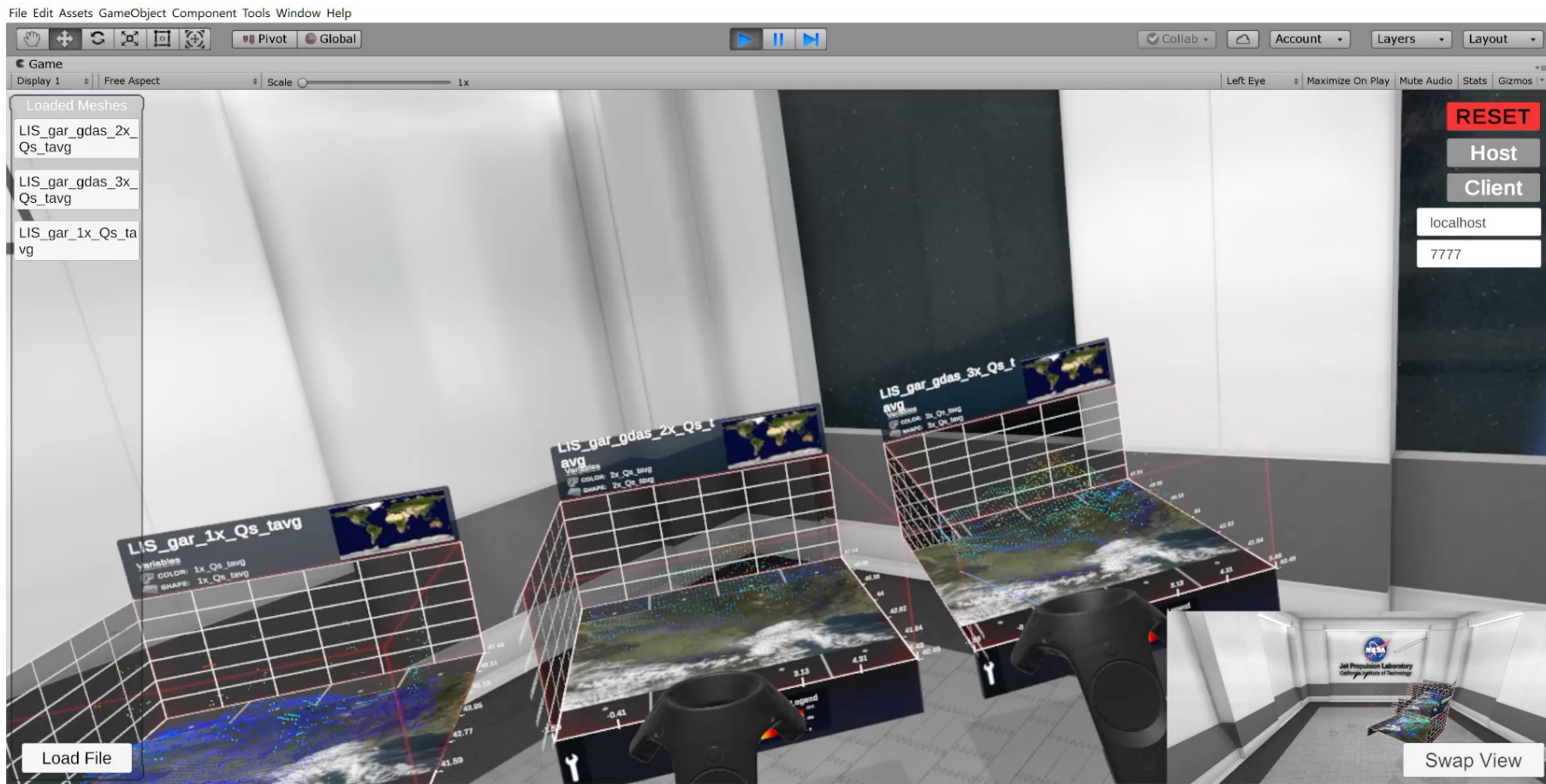
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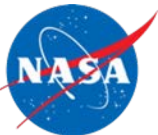
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# Immersive Science for Flood Accomplishment



Different NoahMP Scenario Outputs



# IDEAS Metadata Service and STAC

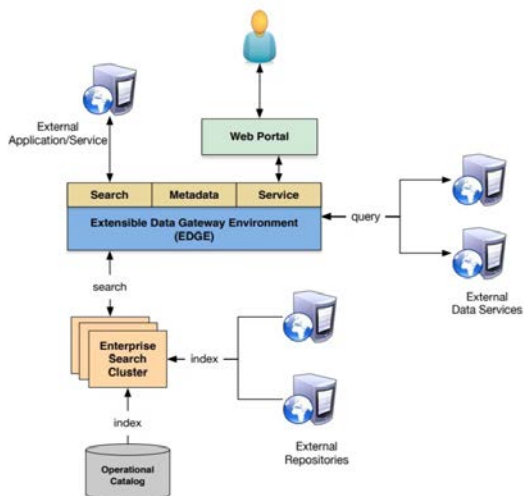
- STAC – specification for common language to describe geospatial information for indexing and data search
- Base URL at /edge\_collections to list overview of all ingested collection.
- Each collection has “self” link to view the details such as description, summary, assets, and etc..
- (Update) Each collection also has ”items” link to view all ingested granules for the collection.
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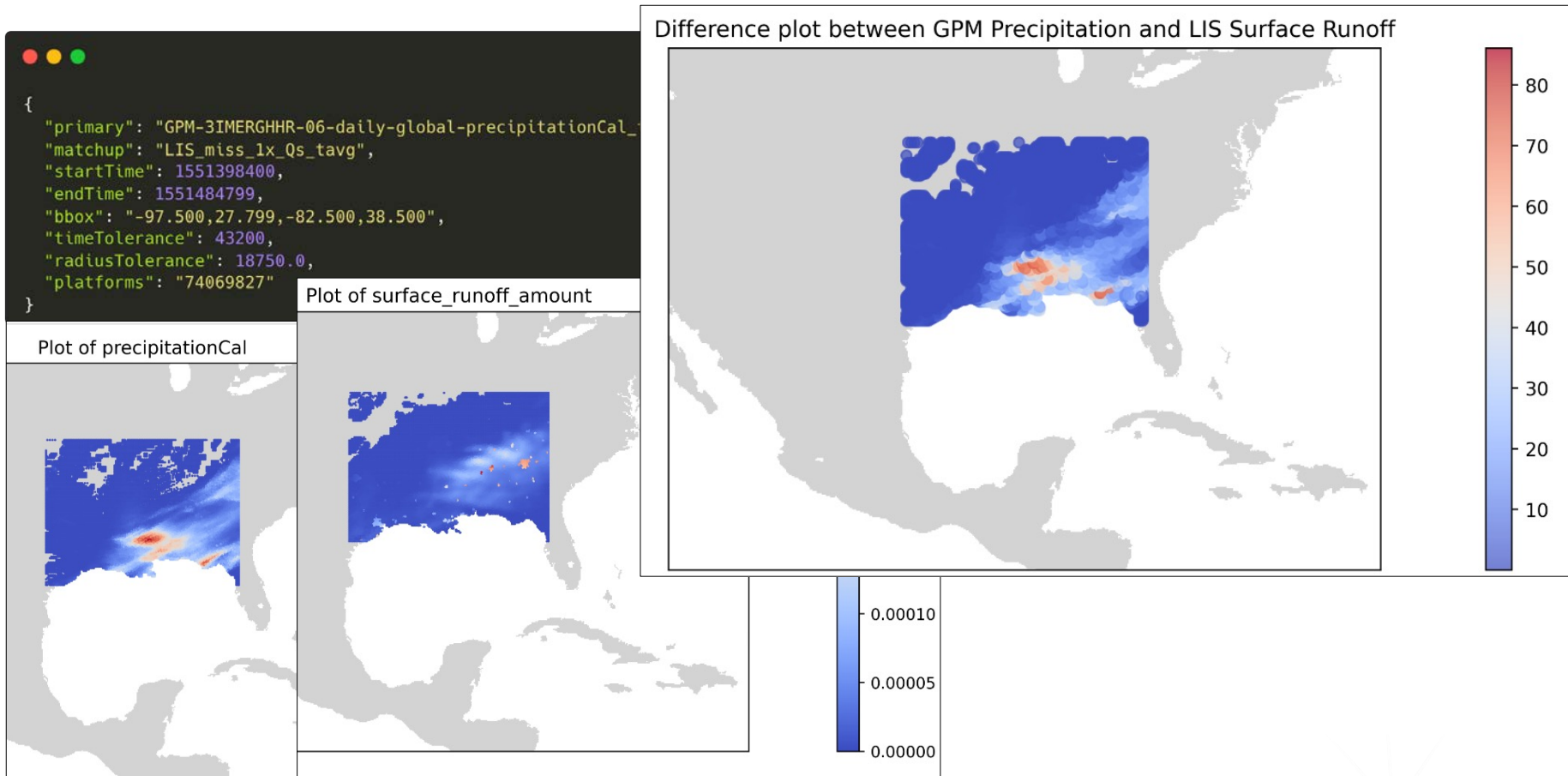


Metadata Architecture



# New Match-Up Service

- Collaborated with NASA ACCESS Cloud-Based Data Matchup Service (CDMS) project to integrate matchup capability with Flood data holdings.
- Notebook demo: <https://github.com/access-cdms/cdms-notebooks/blob/master/CDMS-AQ-Match-Up-Demo.ipynb>





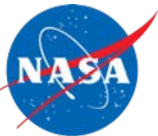
# Data Products Accomplishment

Product	Type	Time Coverage	Location
LIS Surface and Subsurface Runoff Average Daily	Model	2022-05-10 – 2022-05-31	Mississippi River Basin and Garonne River Basin
VIC Surface and Subsurface Runoff Accumulation 3 Hourly	Model	2018-10-01 – 2022-03-01	Global
CLSM Surface and Subsurface Runoff Accumulation 3 Hourly	Model	2018-10-01 – 2022-03-01	Global
NOAH Surface and Subsurface Runoff Accumulation 3 Hourly	Model	2018-10-01 – 2022-03-01	Global
LIS (NoahMP) Surface and Subsurface Runoff Average Daily (1x, 2x, 3x)	Model	2020-09-01 – 2022-12-31	Mississippi and Garonne
RAPID River Discharge Daily (NoahMP input)	Model	2018-10-01 – 2019-08-31 (Mississippi River Basin) and 2021-01-01 – 2021-04-01 (Garonne River)	Mississippi River Basin and Garonne River
RAPID River Discharge 3 Hourly (VIC input)	Model	2018-10-01 – 2019-08-31 (Mississippi River Basin) and 2021-01-01 – 2021-04-01 (Garonne River)	Mississippi River Basin and Garonne River
RAPID River Discharge 3 Hourly (CLSM input)	Model	2018-10-01 – 2019-08-31 (Mississippi River Basin) and 2021-01-01 – 2021-04-01 (Garonne River)	Mississippi River Basin and Garonne River
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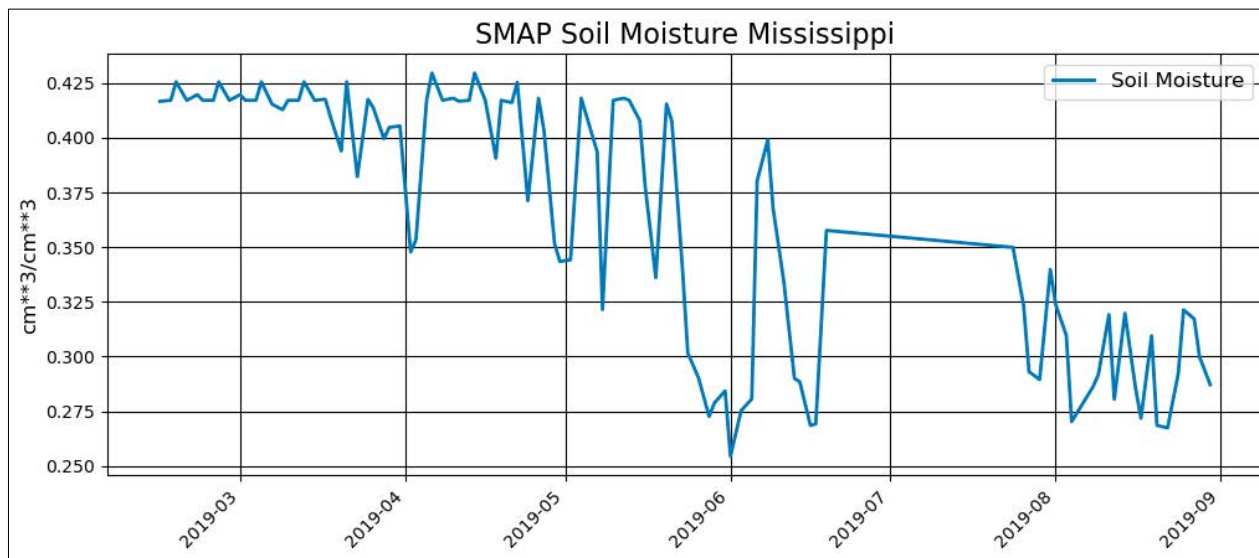
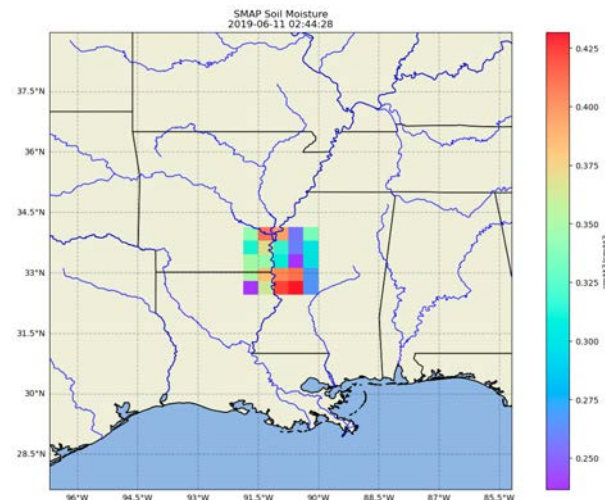
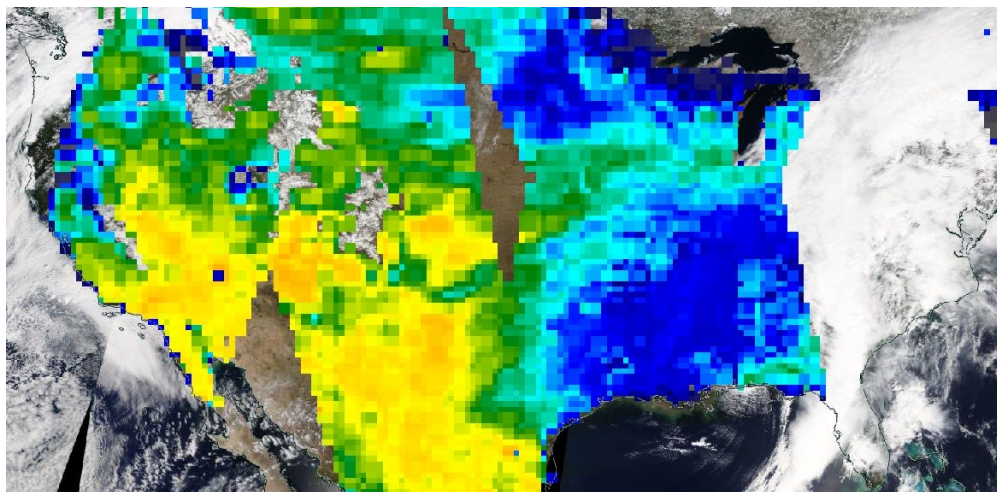


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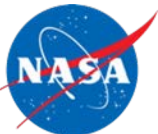
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GPM 3IMERGDL_06 Accumulated Precipitation Daily	Satellite	2018-10-01 - 2022-10-02	Global
SMAP SPL3SMP Soil Moisture	Satellite	2018-10-01 – 2019-08-31 (Mississippi River Basin) and 2021-01-01 – 2021-04-01 (Garonne River)	Mississippi River Basin and Garonne River
USGS Water data	In situ	2018-11 – 2019-09	Mississippi River Basin
VorteX.io Micro-Station	In situ	2022-01-01 – 2022-01-29	Garonne River Basin
Vigicruces	In situ	2020-11-01 - 2022-01-29	Garonne River Basin



# New SMAP L3 Soil Moisture



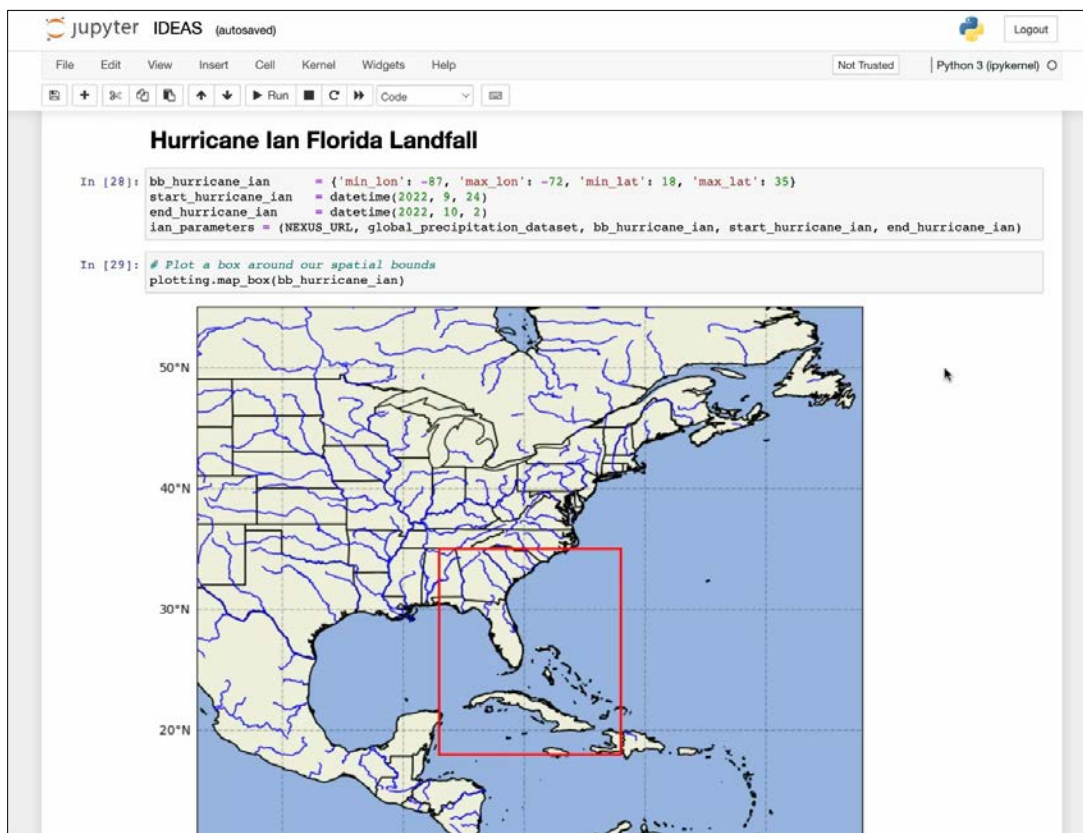
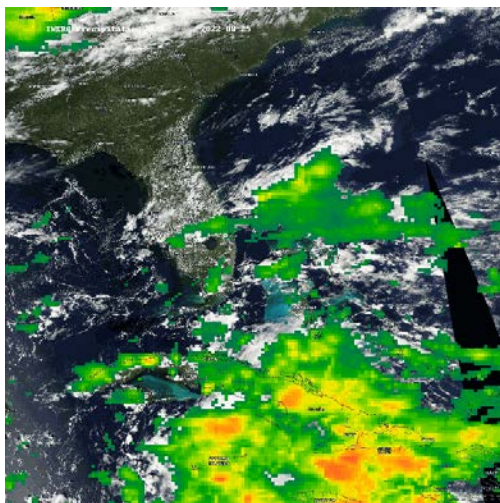




# IDEAS-powered Flood Notebook

## Accomplishment

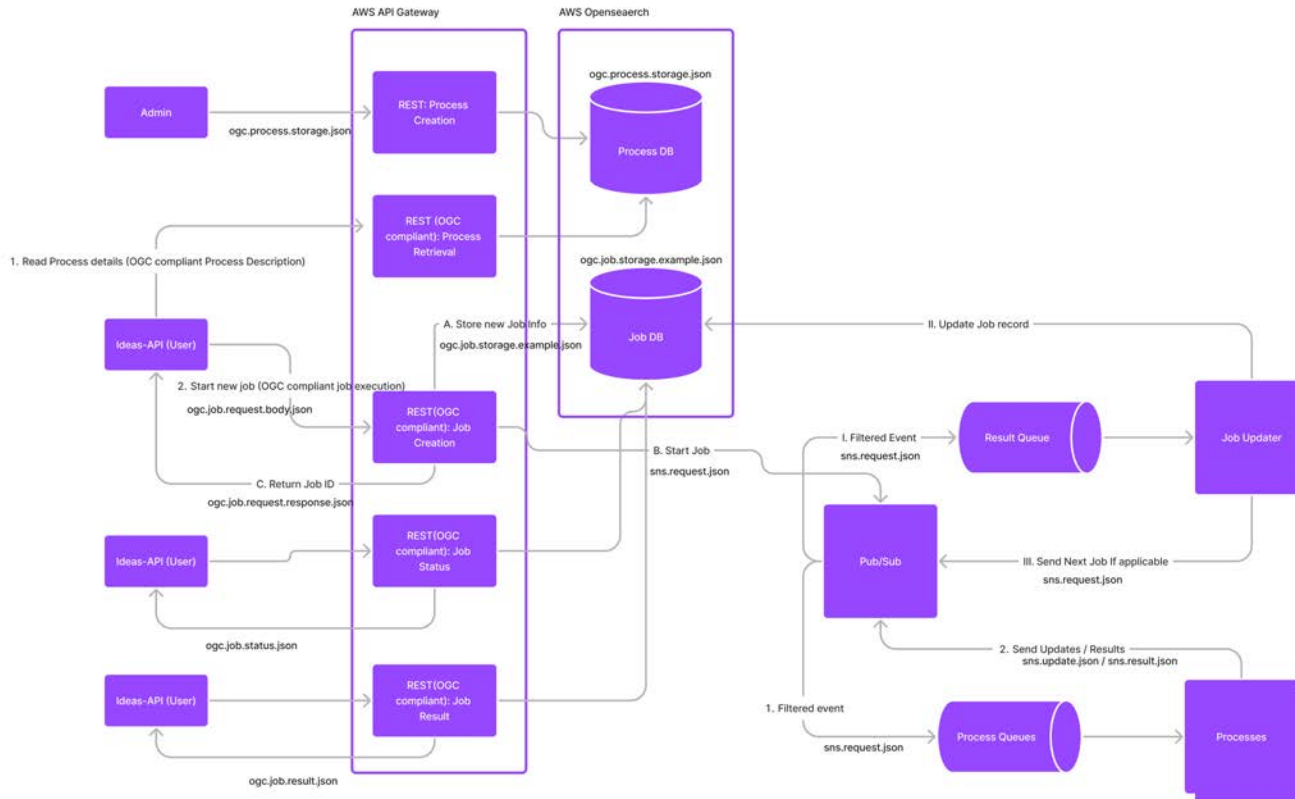
- New updates to the Flood Notebook to demonstrate access, analysis, and visualization - <https://github.com/EarthDigitalTwin/IDEAS-notebooks>
- The latest release includes examples for Mississippi, Garonne, and other regions using NoahMP, CLSM, NOAH, VIC, RAPID, USGS, Vortex, and Vigicrues data
- Example accessing precipitations scenarios for Mississippi and Garonne





# Data Integration Architecture

## Accomplishment



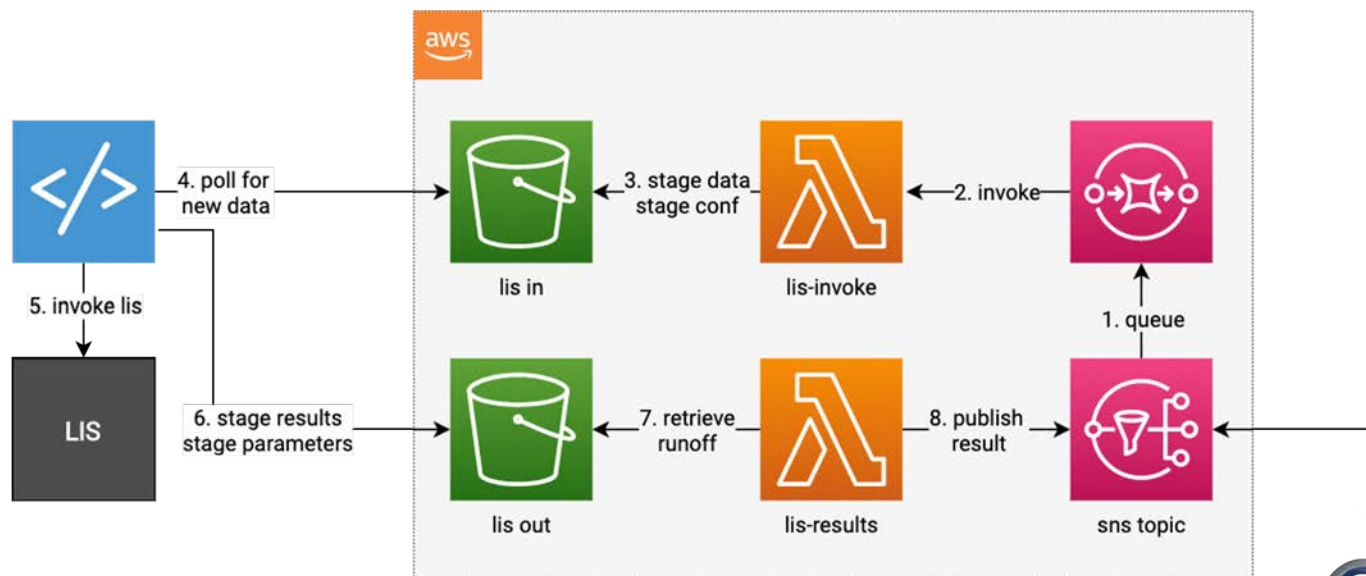
- Focuses
  - Data harmonization
  - Data provenance
  - Seamless integration of data and services
- IDEAS API is compliant with the OGC Processes standard



# LIS Integration

## Accomplishment

- **Goal:** establish general webservice API to encapsulate the complexities of large-scale model configuration and the execution environment
- **LIS Input:** Precipitation and metrological products
- **LIS Output:** Surface and subsurface runoff product
- LIS is currently hosted on NASA NCCS HPC
- Information model between IDEAS and models includes job lifecycle and data provenance
- Use event-based method for managed-integration between subsystems
  - LIS is invoked by a cloud-native event-driven system
  - Parameters used to run LIS will be maintained for provenance
  - After completion, publication to SNS topic will trigger next subsystem (e.g., RAPID)
- Input is in OGC Processes format. The LIS lambda converts the OGC format to a simplified format which the LIS cron converts to an LIS HPC job.

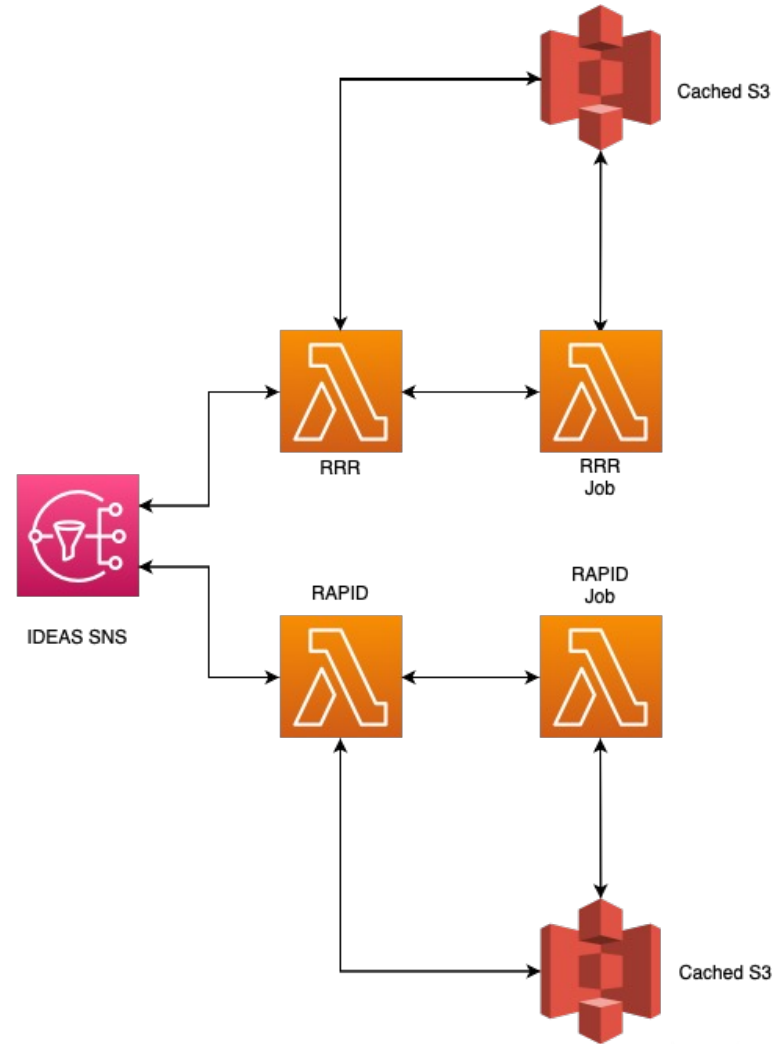




# RAPID Cloud Deployment and Integration

Accomplishment

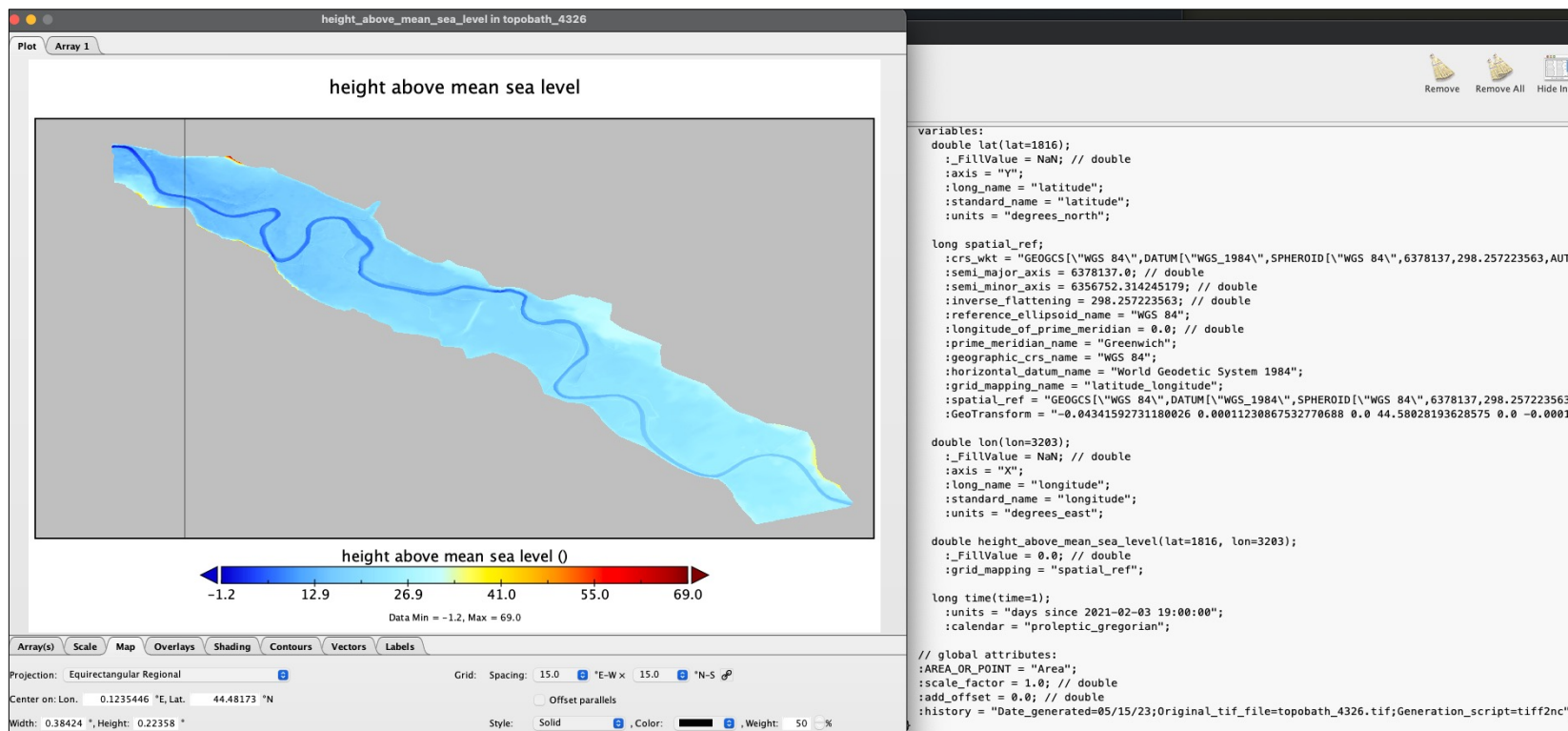
- Containerized RRR, RAPID's ETL pipeline, for data transformation and preprocessing
- Containerized RAPID model for on-demand execution
- Leverage serverless solution for webservice API (AWS Lambda)
- Both RRR and RAPID results are caches in AWS S3
- Orchestration between RRR and RAPID managed by IDEAS OGC Processes API





# Telemac2D GeoTiff to CF-netCDF Transformer

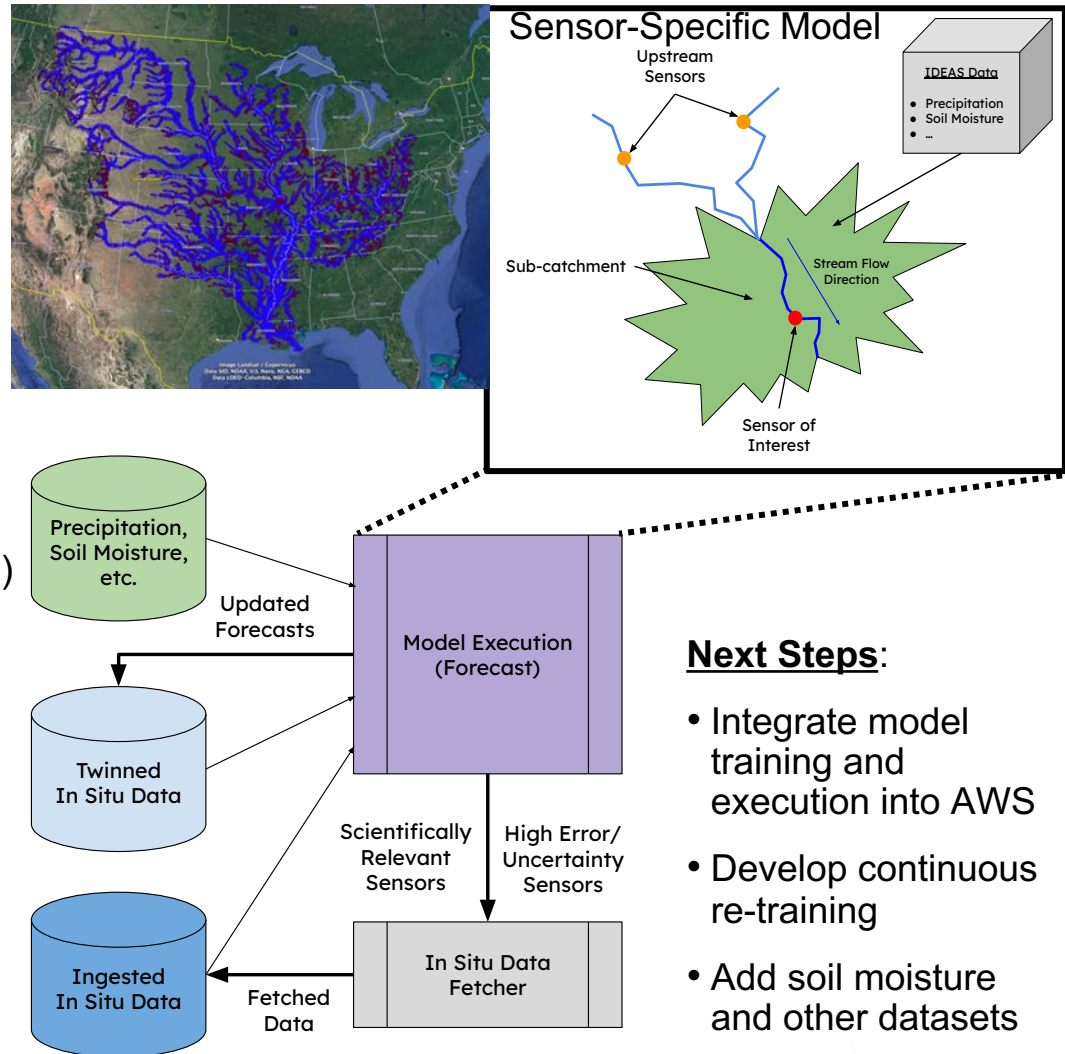
- Tool developed to converted Telemac2D geotiff data to CF Compliant NetCDF files





# ML-Driven In-Situ Data Acquisition

- **Objective:** selectively fetch in situ sensor data corresponding to events of interest (e.g., flooding)
- **General Approach:**
  - Use twin to forecast sensors with expected high stream gauge readings
  - Use forecast to inform fetching of new in situ measurements
  - Update internal state with new measurements and repeat process at next forecast period (~6-24 hours)
- **Modeling Approach:**
  - Long short-term memory (LSTM) neural network models estimate stream gauge readings given upstream readings and precipitation (IMERG GPM)
  - GPM data mapped from pixels to MERIT basins
  - Historical data used for training



## Next Steps:

- Integrate model training and execution into AWS
- Develop continuous re-training
- Add soil moisture and other datasets



# Machine Learning Modeling Details

## Dataset Curation:

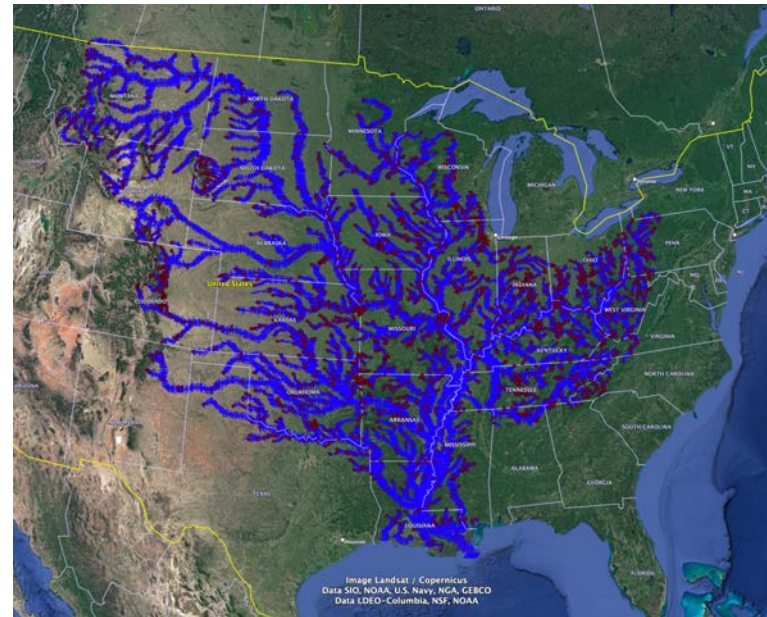
- Matched USGS in situ sensors (~2500) to MERIT river reach and basin database
- Build network of upstream sensors/basins for each sensor
- Generate mask to extract basin-specific GPM data

## Input Training Data:

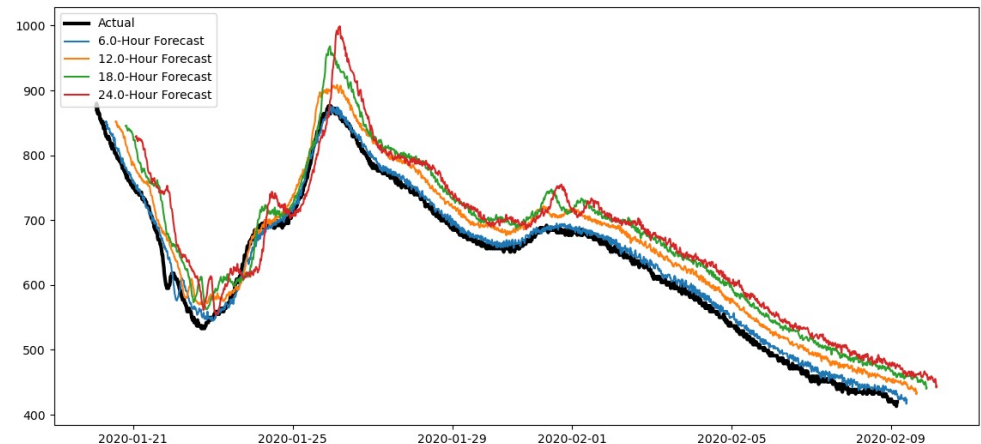
- 15-minute historical USGS readings
- Interpolated daily GPM data

## Forecast Model:

- LSTM Timeseries Regression Model
- Ongoing: characterizing trade-off between performance and prediction interval



MERIT River Network and matched USGS sensor locations





# New Collaboration

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- Colin Gleason (UMass Amherst) on SWOT discharge product available at the PO.DAAC (Oct 2023)
  - Ref: Suresh Vannan (Luisa Vieira Lucchese) [\*A Hosted Analytic Collaborative Framework for Global River Water Quantity and Quality from SWOT, Landsat, and Sentinel-2\*](#)





# Recent Engagements and Highlights

- CEOS 55<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Working Group on Information Systems and Services (WGISS), Cordoba, Argentina
  - Invited to join the CEOS WGISS
  - Invited to use IDEAS to formalize the CEOS WGISS Interoperability Framework
- CNES Toulouse Meeting
- EGU 2023, Vienna, Austria
- Group on Earth Observations (GEO) Dialogue Series on Open Software, Open Infrastructure, and Open Hardware
- EU's Standards in Digital Twins of the Ocean
- Upcoming
  - Oct. 19 and 20, 2023, HAQAST Public Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah
  - IGARSS 2023 Hyperwall
  - IGARSS 2023 – “The SCO-FloodDAM Project: Towards a Digital Twins for Flood Detection, Prediction and Flood Risk Assessments”
  - IGARSS 2023 – “Big Data Smart: Federated Earth System Digital Twins”
  - ESIP Summer Meeting
  - Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society
  - Science Magazine Review Article






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# Q&A



# NASA AIST Fire Alarm Science Data Platform for Wildfire and Air Quality Mid-year Review

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# Fire Alarm: Science Data Platform for Wildfire and Air Quality

PI: Thomas Huang, JPL

## Objective

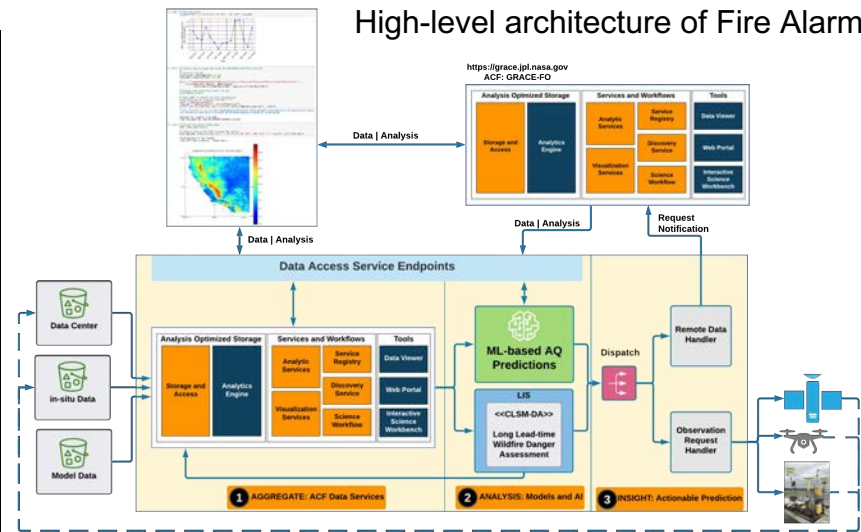
- Establish an Analytics Collaborative Framework (ACF) to study the cause and effect of wildfire in relation to air quality and health impacts
- Improve data-driven predictions on wildfire-caused air pollution and health impact
- Align with future SBG fire detection and fire radiative power data for fire risk, detection, and analysis
- Align with future air quality missions such as MAIA
- Solidify ACF-driven NOS-T architecture for dynamic data acquisition and instrument re-tasking
- Integrate and extend the Integrated Digital Earth Analysis System (IDEAS), ESDT framework, for science-driven, scenario-based analysis

## Approach

- Expand the AIST Fire Alarm prototype to support relevant fire and air quality measurements for wildfire, air quality, and health impact analysis
- Establish automated workflow solution for near real-time onboarding and transformation of the latest measurements
- Expand the Ocean Carbon Cycle NOS solution to support dynamic data acquisition and re-tasking
- Improve the AIST Fire Alarm prototype's interfaces to enable predictive models of air quality and health impact to be driven by harmonized data from multiple instruments
- Expand the Apache SDAP multiband Analysis Optimized Storage (AOS) capability for hyperspectral data

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## High-level architecture of Fire Alarm



## Key Milestones

Analysis Optimized Storage (AOS) for hyperspectral measurements and ground-level hotspots matchup	May-23
Scenario-based air quality prediction	Aug-23
Analysis and ML-driven data acquisition (NOS)	Oct-23
Visualization to support scenario-based wildfire-related air quality and health impact	Nov-23
Prototype MAIA re-tasking	Nov-23

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# Summary of Accomplishments

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- Official project website: <https://ideas-digitaltwin.jpl.nasa.gov/aqacf/>
- Air Quality Analysis Tool: <https://ideas-digitaltwin.jpl.nasa.gov/aqacf/dat/>
- Air Quality Jupyter Notebook: <https://github.com/EarthDigitalTwin/FireAlarm-notebooks/>
- Virtual Reality support
- TROPOMI global product generation
- HQ demonstration
- Engagements
  - ESIP Winter Meeting
  - CEOS 55<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Information Systems and Services (WGISS)
  - CNES Toulouse meeting
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  - AMS Interview
  - Science Magazine Review article
  - AGU digital twins session



# Fire Alarm Development Plan

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<b>Analysis Optimized Storage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">In-situ data support</a></li> </ul>	<b>Analysis Optimized Storage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">In-situ schema updates</a></li> </ul>	<b>Analysis Optimized Storage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Hyperspectral data support</a></li> <li><a href="#">Zarr support</a></li> </ul>	<b>MAIA Retasking</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Retask MAIA observations</a></li> </ul>
<b>Visualization and Analysis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Common metadata services</a></li> <li><a href="#">Jupyter notebook examples</a></li> </ul>	<b>Visualization and Analysis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">z-dimension support</a></li> <li><a href="#">VR Immersive Science</a></li> <li><a href="#">Wildfire analysis</a></li> </ul>	<b>Visualization and Analysis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Greenhouse gas analysis</a></li> <li><a href="#">Scenario-based visualization</a></li> </ul>	<b>Visualization and Analysis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Release open source tools</a></li> </ul>
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# Public-facing Project Website

<https://ideas-digitaltwin.jpl.nasa.gov/aqacf/>

The screenshot displays the AQACF website interface. At the top left is the NASA logo and the text 'Jet Propulsion Laboratory California Institute of Technology'. A 'MENU' button and a search icon are in the top right. The main content area features three panels:

- Analyse Data Quickly and Efficiently:** An 'Air Quality Analytics Collaborative Framework (AQACF) Open-Source API Demonstration'. It includes a paragraph about the open-source Jupyter notebook, a 'Download the Notebook' button, and three small data visualization plots.
- Unlocking the Potential of Big Data Analytics:** A section for exploring and analyzing large data sets from various sources (satellite, atmospheric models, IoT sensors). It features a 'Learn the tool' button and a screenshot of a data visualization interface.
- Air Quality Prediction:** A section on machine learning for air quality prediction. It includes a paragraph about advanced algorithms and a 'Breathable data in the LA region' plot, which is a heatmap of the Los Angeles area showing air quality levels.

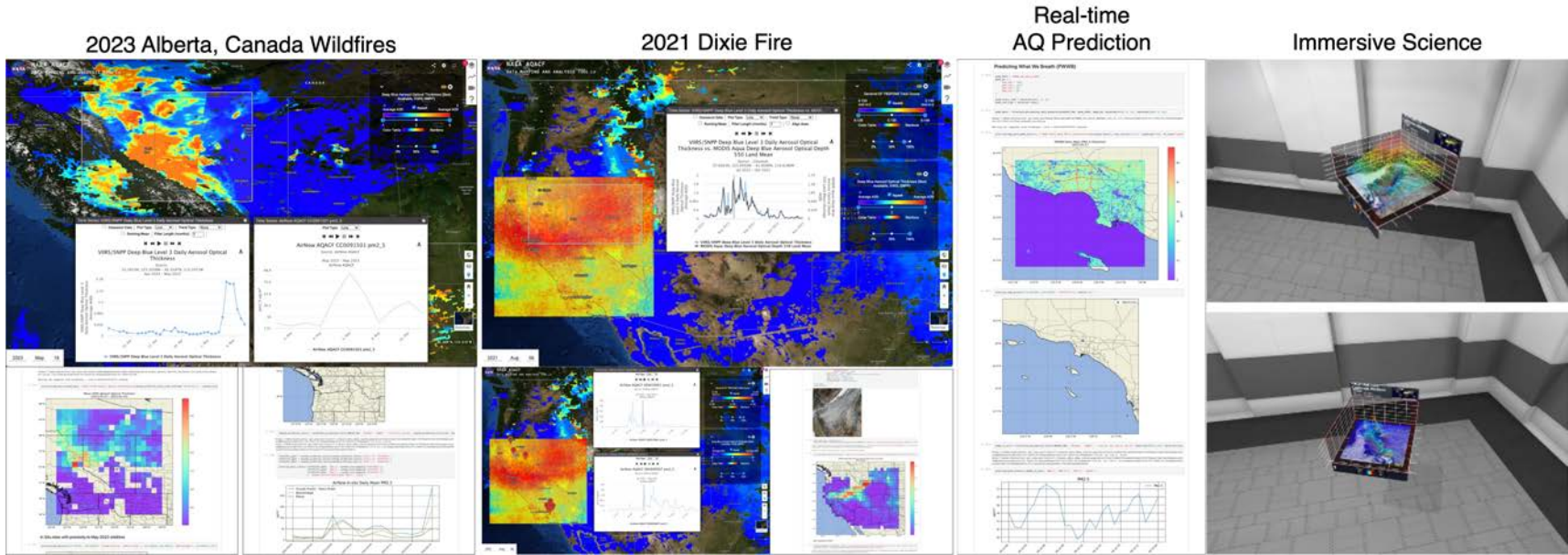
Below the panels, the text 'AQACF' is centered, followed by the main title 'Air Quality Analytic Collaborative Framework' in large white font. Underneath, it states: 'The AQACF and Fire Alarm projects are supported via NASA's Earth Science Technology Office from the Advanced Information Systems Technology program.'

## Mission Statement

AQACF aims to provide the scientific foundation for the development of air quality data applications and decision support tools for scientists, policymakers, resource managers, and the public. The program aims to improve the understanding of atmospheric composition, air quality, and their interactions with climate and ecosystems, and to develop innovative solutions to air quality challenges. AQACF is part of NASA's Earth Science Division, which aims to better understand Earth's systems and changes to inform decisions that affect the future of the planet.

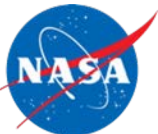


# HQ Demonstration



- Provide HQ AQ Program Managers an overview of the professional open-source AQ ACF platform to highlight
  - Technology maturity
  - Ready for distributed analysis – Federated
  - Harmonized data access and analysis
  - Streamline ML training and deployment
- Demonstrations include
  - Web-based data visualization analysis tool
  - Jupyter notebook for AQ
  - PM2.5 daily predictions





# Gridded Data Products

**highlights** – new and/or ongoing datasets (processing, image generation, ingestion)

Product	Type	Time Coverage	Location
PWWB Outputs (PM2.5, O3, NO, NO2, CO)	ML	2022-05-10 – ongoing	LA County
UCB Adjoint Sensitivities	Model	2010-12-01 – 2011-12-31	LA County / North America (NOx)
UCB Adjoint Emissions	Model	2010-12-01 – 2011-12-31	LA County / North America (NOx)
WUSTL PM2.5 Daily	Model	2017-07-02 – 2020-07-02	North America
WUSTL PM2.5 Monthly	Model	2017-01 – 2020-12	North America
GMU PM2.5 Hourly	Model	2017-10-01T14:00:00+0000 2018-12-18T23:00:00+0000	LA County
AERDB VIIRS/SNPP (Aerosols)	Satellite	2017-01-01 – 2018-12-31	Global
MERRA-2 Hourly (TLML, PBLH, CDH)	Satellite	2018-01-01T00:30:00+0000 2021-12-31T23:30:00+0000	Global
TROPOMI Daily (NO2, CO, O3, CH4, SO2)	Satellite	2020-07-13 – ongoing	California
TROPOMI Daily (NO2, CO, O3, CH4, SO2)	Satellite	2023-01-01 - ongoing	Global
TROPOMI Weekly (NO2)	Satellite	2021-12-31 - 2022-10-21	Ukraine
OMI Weekly (NO2, O3, SO2,	Satellite	2017-12-31 - 2022-10-28	Ukraine
OMI Monthly (NO2, O3, SO2,	Satellite	2004-10-01 - 2022-09-01	Global
GCHP Outputs (NO, NO2, SO2, O3, CH4)	Model	2017-03-01 – 2018-12-31	California
MODIS Aqua/Terra (Aerosols)	Satellite	2018-01-01 – 2023-04-24	Global
GEOS-CF	Model	In Progress	Global

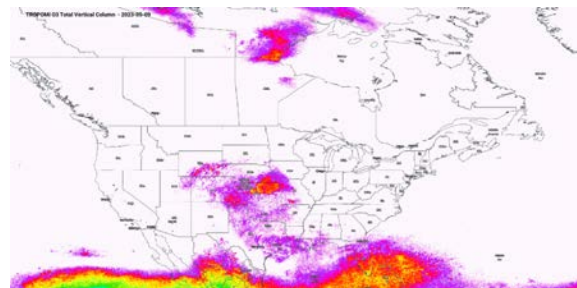


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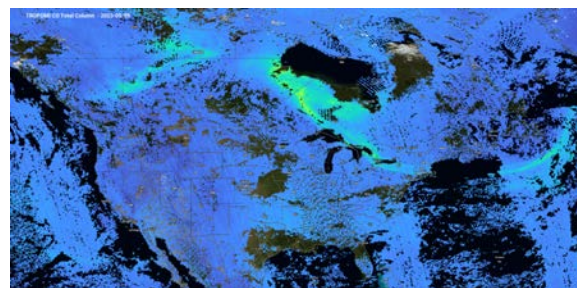
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Aethalometer Black Carbon	In Situ	2020-11-01T00:00:00+0000 2022-07-06T19:00:00+0000	JPL B301
PurpleAir PM2.5	In Situ	2022-07-01T00:00:00+0000 2022-07-07T21:00:00+0000	LA County
AQMD (PM2.5, SO2, CO, O3, NO2, N2O, CH4, CO2)	In Situ	2010-01-01T00:00:00+0000 2021-07-26T10:00:00+0000	LA County
Quant AQ (CO, CO2, NO, NO2, O3, PM1, PM2.5, PM10)	In Situ	2022-11-01T00:00:00+0000 Now	JPL B301
AirNow (PM2.5, O3, NO2)	In Situ	2023-05-01T00:00:00 2023-05-15T00:00:00	Alberta, Canada
AirNow (PM2.5, O3, NO2)	In Situ	2021-06-01T00:00:00 2023-05-15T00:00:00	California
Aeronet (AOD)	In Situ	In Progress	North America



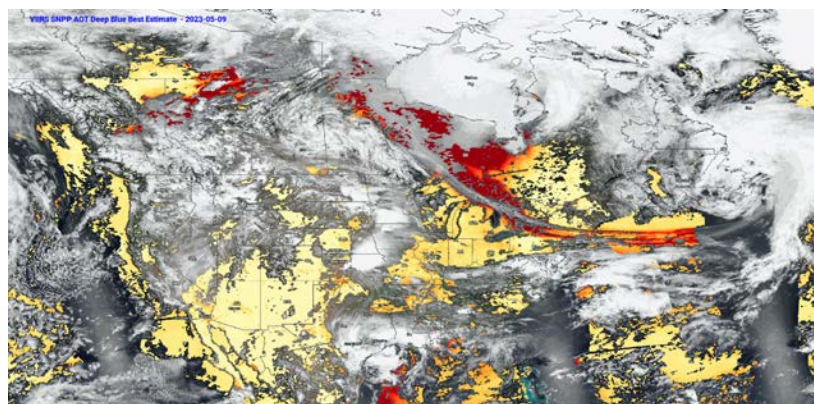
# Visualize Canadian Wildfire Smoke



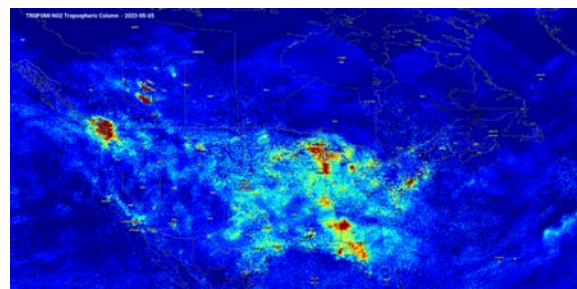
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TROPOMI CO total column  
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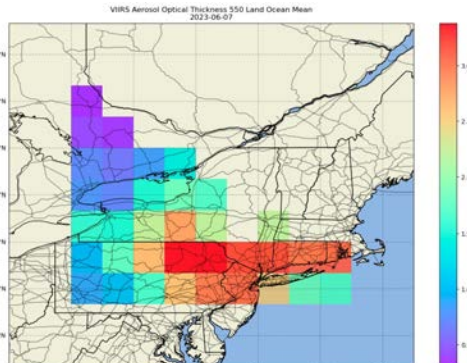
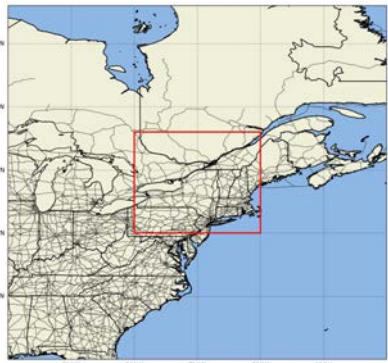
VIIRS SNPP Aerosol Optical Thickness Deep Blue Best Estimate  
2023-05-10 – 2023-06-09



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# Analyze Canadian Wildfire Smoke



VIIRS Aerosol Optical Thickness  
2023-06-07

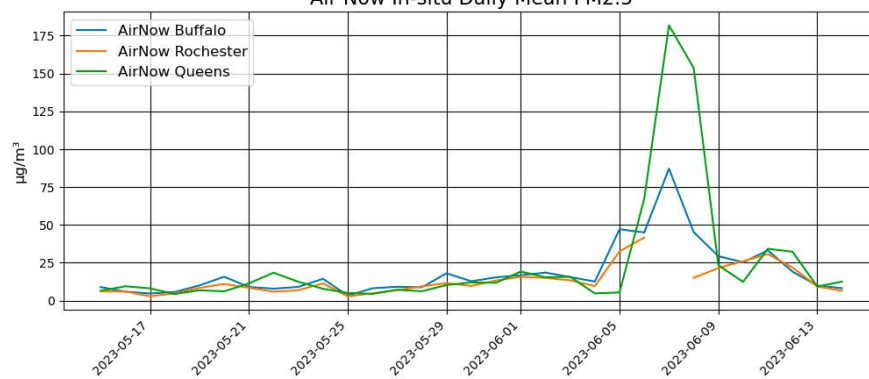


2023 Canada Wildfires



TROPOMI CO 2023-05-15 – 2023-06-09

Air Now In-situ Daily Mean PM2.5



AirNow Buffalo, Rochester, and Queens PM<sub>2.5</sub> – 2023-05-15 – 2023-06-14



# Satellite to Satellite Match-up – CA Wildfire Season

2021-08-07 to 2021-08-09

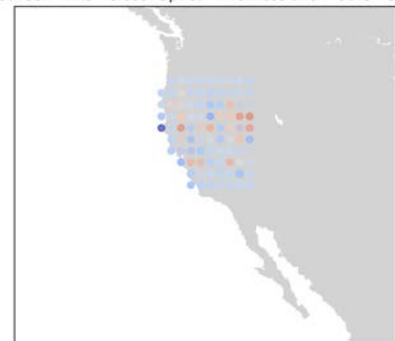
Plot of Aerosol\_Optical\_Thickness\_550\_Land\_Ocean\_Mean



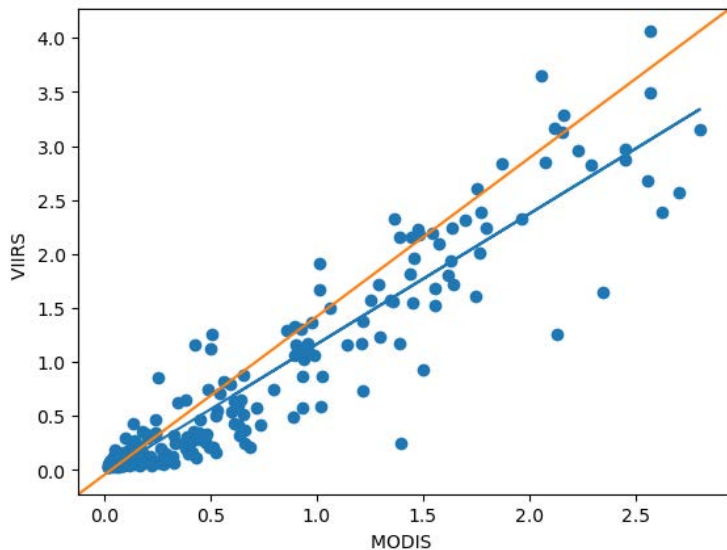
Plot of Aerosol Optical Depth



Difference plot between VIIRS Aerosol Optical Thickness and MODIS Aerosol Optical Depth



Aerosol Optical Depth scatter  
VIIRS vs. MODIS

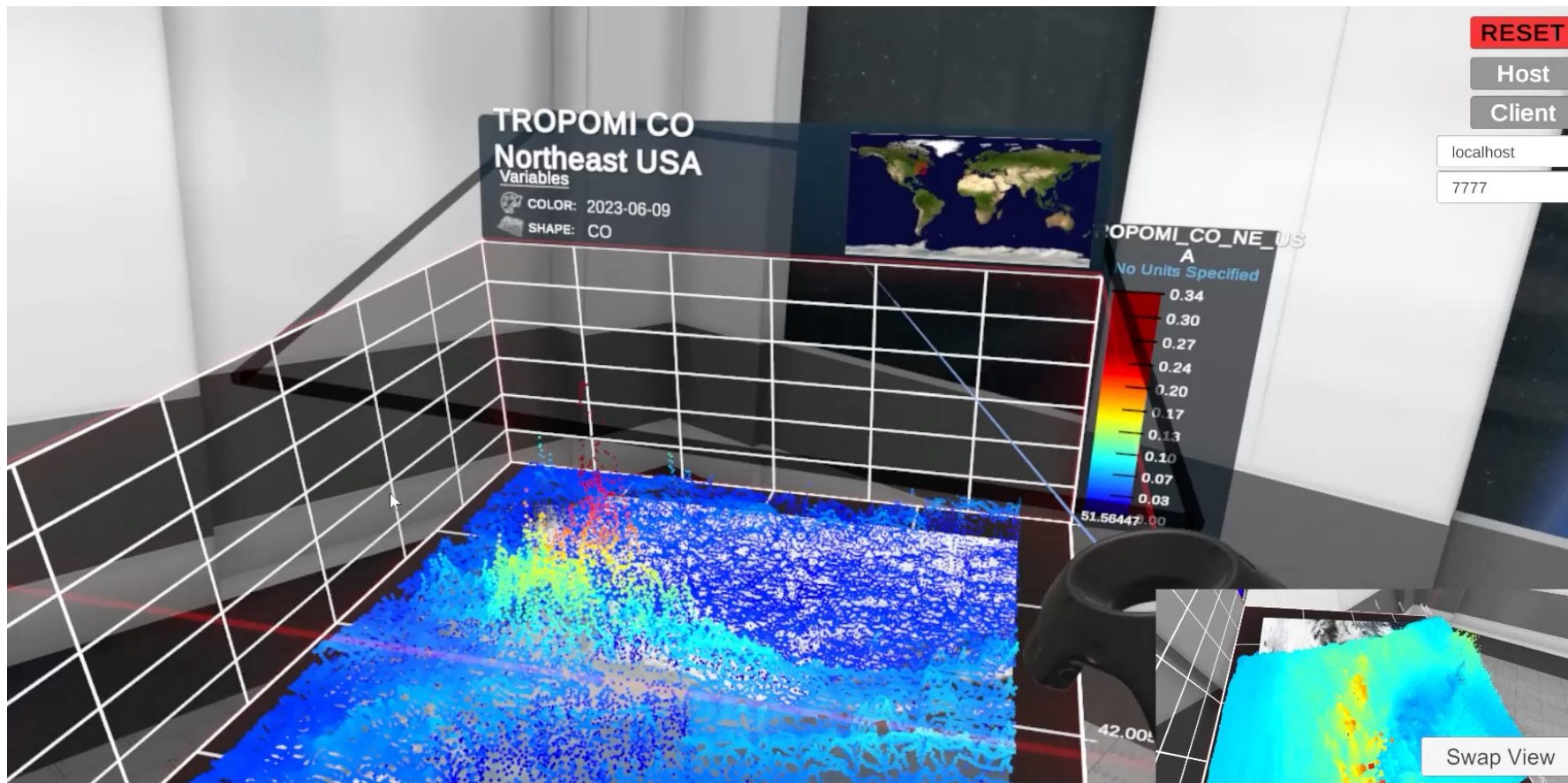


- Collaborated with NASA ACCESS Cloud-Based Data Matchup Service (CDMS) project to integrate matchup capability with Flood data holdings.
- Coordination between MODIS Aerosol Optical Depth and VIIRS Aerosol Optical Thickness



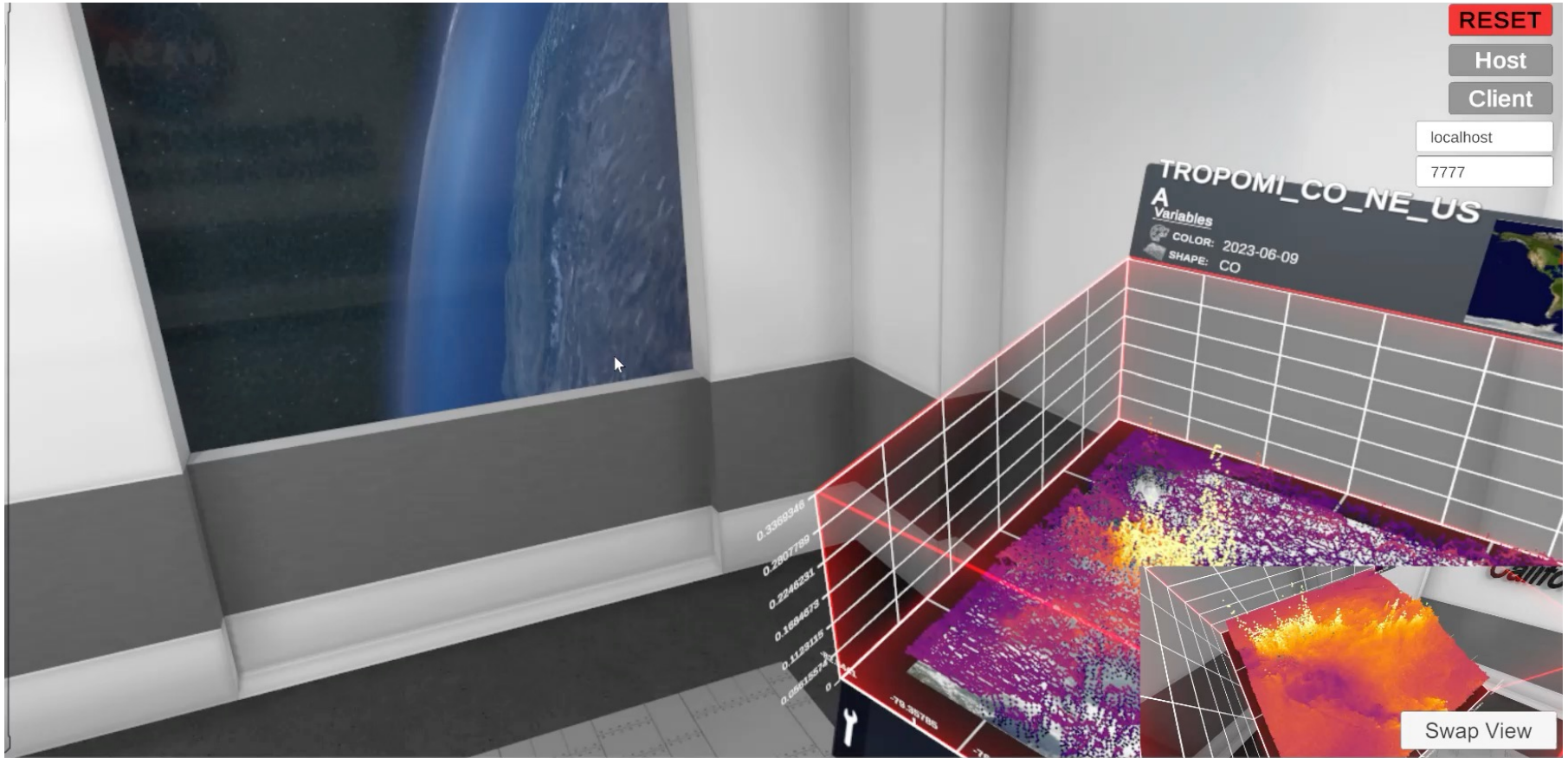


# Immersive Science – Canadian Wildfire Smoke





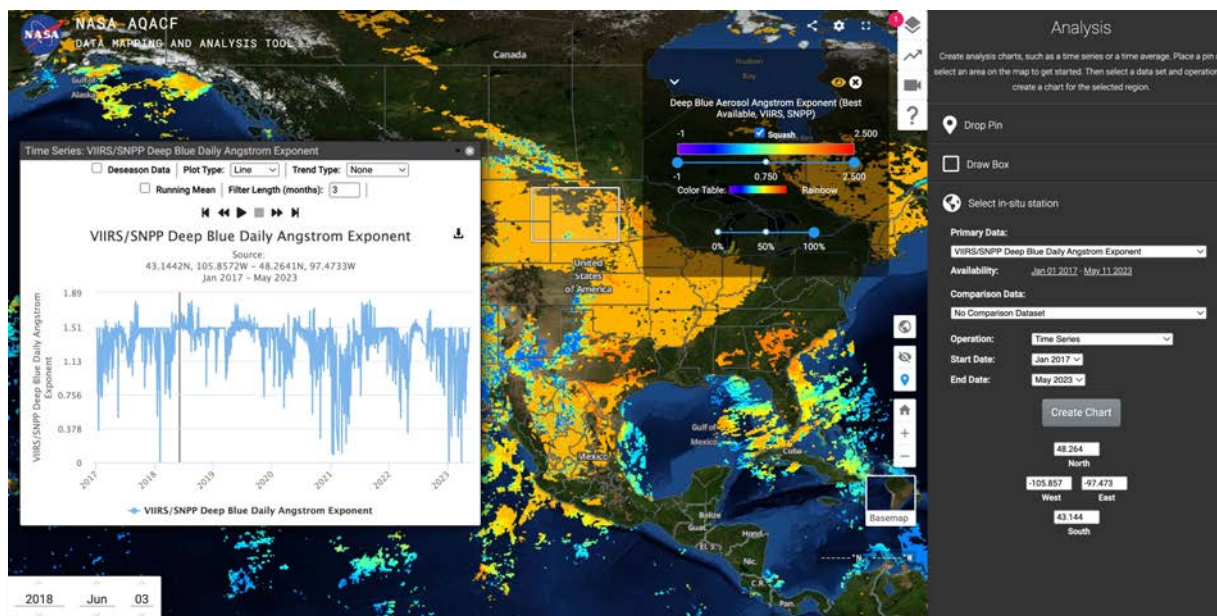
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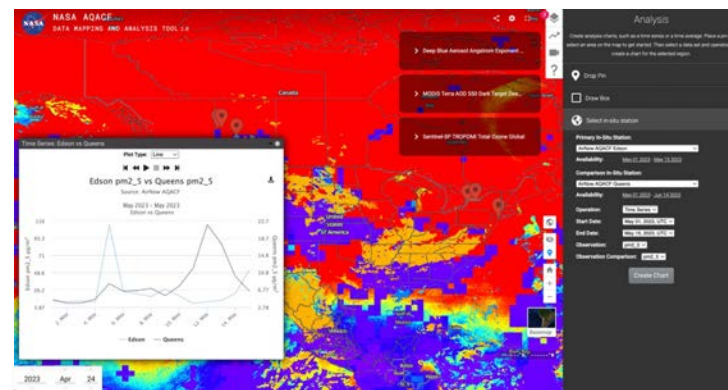




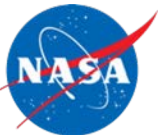
# Data Analysis Tool



- Users can now select in-situ stations and perform analysis on them as well as select their time bounds on the daily level
- Fixed colormaps and all colorbar features for layers (includes new legends, selectable palettes, and color range slider with squash option)
- Improved data layer selection behaviors
- Better data layer UI with three data categories: Satellite, Model, and AI
- Better default basemap with additional basemap options



New in-situ to in-situ comparison



# Air Quality Notebook

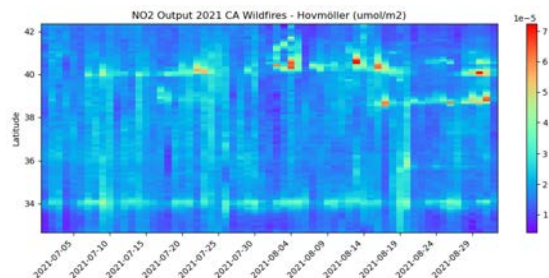
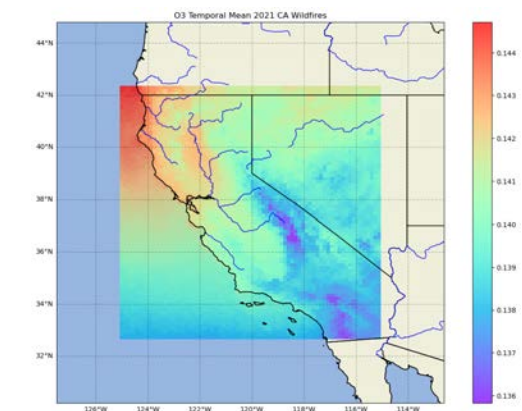
[https://github.com/EarthDigitalTwin/FireAlarm-notebooks/blob/main/AirQuality\\_Demo.ipynb](https://github.com/EarthDigitalTwin/FireAlarm-notebooks/blob/main/AirQuality_Demo.ipynb)

Demonstrates the latest IDEAS API for air quality analysis

- STAC – Data search and metadata
- Data access – satellite, in-situ, and models
- Interactive, harmonized data analytic capabilities
- Visualizations – WMS and on-demand animation generation

Several use cases:

- 2021 Dixie Fire
- 2023 Alberta Canada Wildfires
- 2018 Carr Fire
- Los Angeles ports backlog Fall 2021
- Fireworks during 4th of July 2022 in Los Angeles county
- Predicting What We Breathe PM2.5 Predictions



**2021 Alisal Wildfire**

For much of summer 2021, large fires decimated forests in Northern California. By the middle of October, those fires were mostly extinguished or burned out, but red-flag warnings and fierce fires had begun to cause problems in the chaparral shrublands and grasslands of Central and Southern California.

After igniting near the Alisal reservoir on October 11, the fast-moving blaze charred 13,400 acres (54 square kilometers) by the afternoon of October 13. At that time, the fire was 5 percent contained. With the blaze threatening at least 100 structures, authorities issued evacuation orders and closed parts of Highway 101. The fire was designated as fully contained on Sep. 20, 2021 with a total burn time of 39 days.

In addition to destroying natural habitats wildfires emit high levels of Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) and Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) while also destroying Ozone (O<sub>3</sub>) levels.

**Area of Interest**

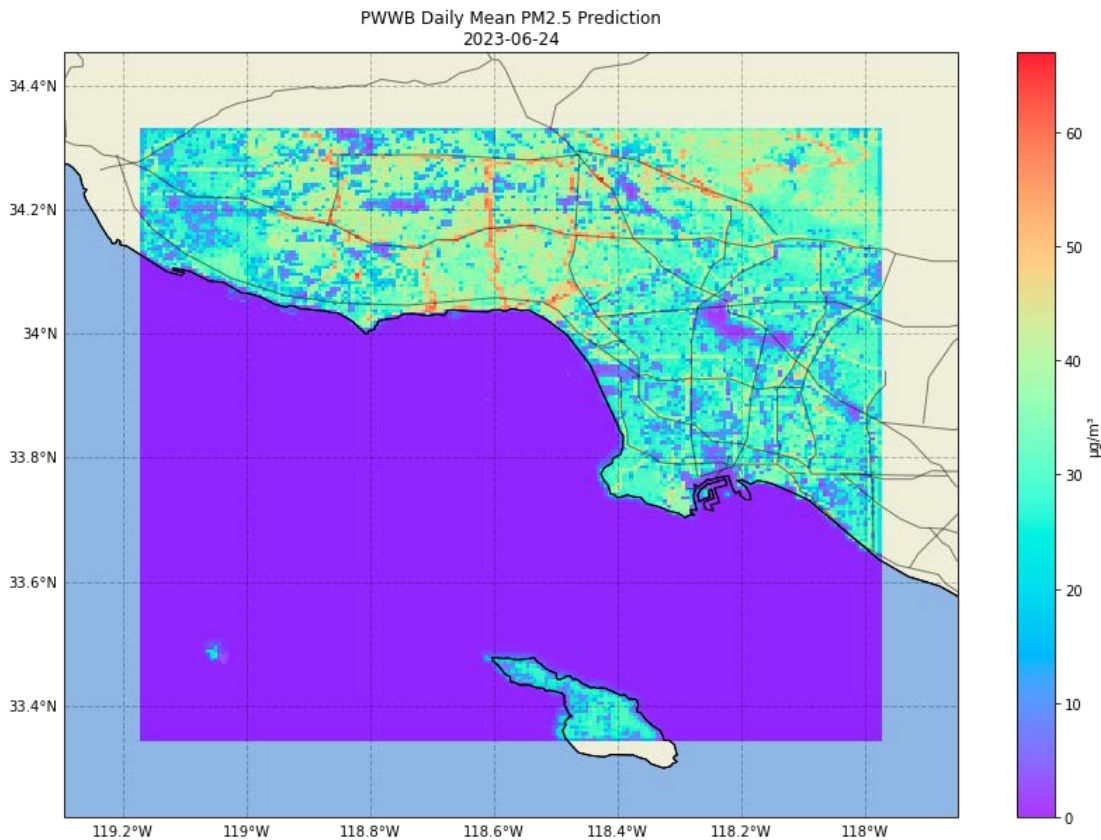
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wildfires_start_time = datetime(2020,8,1)
wildfires_end_time = datetime(2020,11,1)

wildfires_bbox = box(wildfires_bb['min_lon'], wildfires_bb['min_lat'], wildfires_bb['max_lon'], wildfires_bb['max_lat'])
plotting.map_box(wildfires_bbox)
```



# PWWB Integration

- Increased spatial resolution for multiple models (PM<sub>2.5</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>)
- Incorporated Landsat 8 and 9 data as input for model training
- We encountered numerous integration issues on getting the PWWB models to produce consistent outputs
- The PWWB is looking into delivering their models in containers to streamline the integration





# Machine Learning for In-Situ Data Acquisition and Retargeting

## Purpose:

Perform large-scale (1000 km), multi-day prediction of air quality to prioritize in-situ data acquisition and MAIA target observations

## Inputs:

VIIRS (Fire Detection), NOAA Hazard Mapping System (HMS) Smoke Levels, Wildfire Risk Index, Wind Information

## Model:

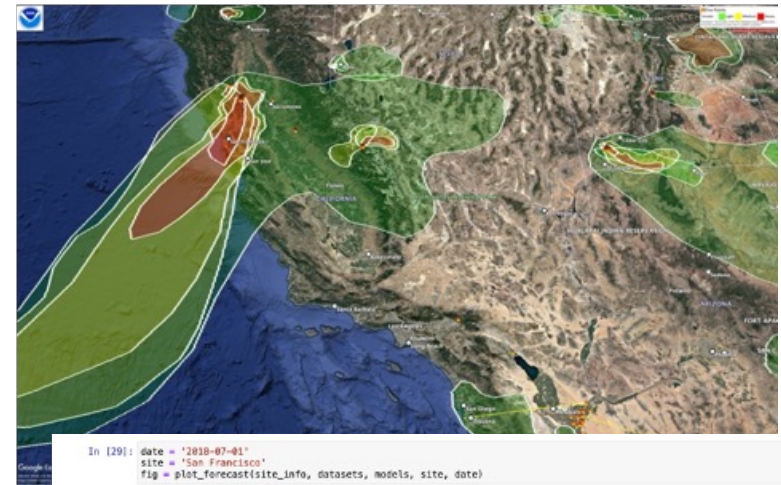
Predict smoke and pollutant levels at MAIA target sites and in-situ measurement sites for prioritization

## Status:

- Prototype model using HMS data
- Identifying datasets for ingestion

## Next Steps:

- Ingest relevant datasets, improve model with additional inputs
- Integrate into data ingestion
- Demo MAIA observation planning scenarios



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In [19]: date = '2018-07-01'
site = 'San Francisco'
fig = plot_forecast(site_info, datasets, models, site, date)
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	2018-07-01	2018-07-02	2018-07-03	2018-07-04	2018-07-05
NOAA HMS Smoke Level					
Heavy	17.0%	15.0%	19.0%	21.0%	20.0%
Medium	12.0%	10.0%	11.0%	11.0%	9.0%
Light	27.0%	34.0%	16.0%	16.0%	21.0%
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None	37.0%	30.0%	45.0%	47.0%	42.0%

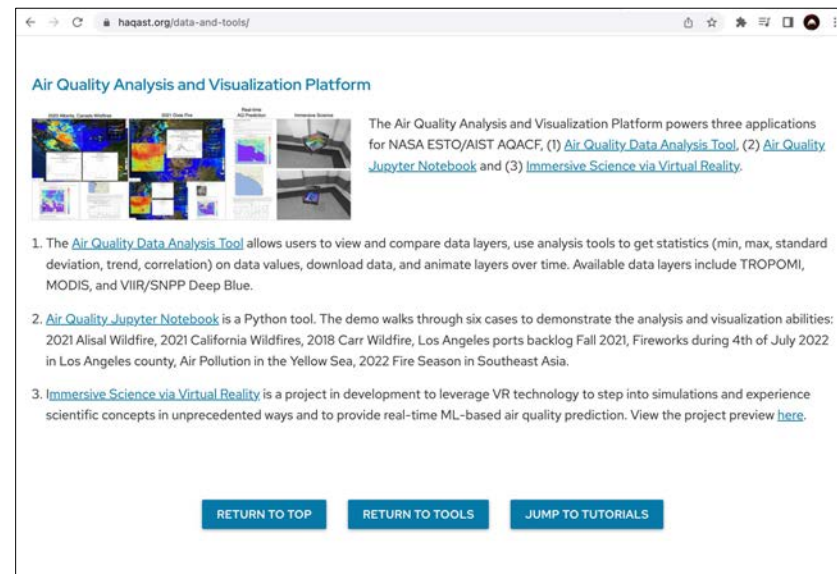
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NOAA HMS Smoke Level					
Heavy	1.0%	1.0%	5.0%	1.0%	4.0%
Medium	9.0%	7.0%	4.0%	7.0%	7.0%
Light	22.0%	20.0%	21.0%	17.0%	12.0%
NA	0.0%	1.0%	3.0%	1.0%	0.0%
None	68.0%	71.0%	67.0%	74.0%	77.0%



# Recent Engagements and Highlights

- CEOS 55<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Working Group on Information Systems and Services (WGISS), Cordoba, Argentina
- CNES Toulouse Meeting
- EGU 2023, Vienna, Austria
- Group on Earth Observations (GEO) Dialogue Series on Open Software, Open Infrastructure, and Open Hardware
- EU's Standards in Digital Twins of the Ocean
- Upcoming
  - Oct. 19 and 20, 2023, HAQAST Public Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah
  - IGARSS 2023 Hyperwall
  - IGARSS 2023 – “Application of Open-Source Digital Twins Framework for Wildfire and Air Quality”
  - ESIP Summer Meeting
  - Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society
  - Science Magazine Review Article





Fire Alarm / AQACF is now registered under NASA Health and Air Quality Applied Science Team (HAQAST)'s website





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## Q&A

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## EcoPro: Ecological Projection Analytic Collaborative Framework



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### EcoPro: Ecological Projection Analytic Collaborative Framework

PI: Seungwon Lee, JPL

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**Objective**

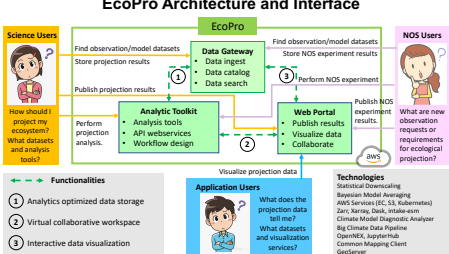
- Build **Ecological Projection Analytic Collaborative Framework (EcoPro)**.
- Perform scientific studies to demonstrate the scientific use of **EcoPro**: sequoia forests, kelp forests, and coral reefs.
- Generate application-usable datasets and visualizations to demonstrate the application use of **EcoPro**.
- Conduct experimental studies to demonstrate the NOS use of **EcoPro**.

**Approach**

- Develop (1) an analytic toolkit to perform the multidisciplinary analyses, (2) a data gateway to organize and access datasets, and (3) a web portal to visualize the study results and to provide a virtual collaborative work space.
- Leverage (1) CMDA and BCDP for the analytic toolkit, (2) AWS S3, zarr, and intake-esm for the data gateway, and (3) CMC, GeoServer, and OpenNEX for the web portal.
- Demonstrate the use of EcoPro in science, application, and NOS.

**Co-Is/Partners:** Kalmus, Goodman, Ferraz, Platt, Pearson (JPL), Zhang (SMU), Kang (UC), Cavanaugh (UCLA), Chakraborty (UMBC)

**EcoPro Architecture and Interface**




**Key Milestones**

• EcoPro requirements and architecture design	09/22
• EcoPro prototype (TRL 4)	02/23
• EcoPro science use case study report	07/23
• EcoPro application use case study report	12/23
• EcoPro NOS use case study report	05/24
• EcoPro end-to-end system (TRL 5)	07/24

TRL<sub>in</sub> = 3    TRL<sub>current</sub> = 4

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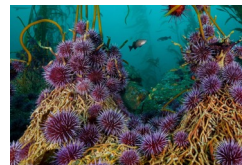
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## Background




- In this time of global heating and rapid climate change, Earth's ecosystems are under great stress for their survival and Earth's biodiversity is being rapidly reduced.
- Despite the importance of biodiversity for humanity and the imminent nature of the threat, efforts to project these losses over the coming decades remain crude.
- As a discipline, ecological projection is still in its early stage and will become increasingly important as stress drivers increase and losses mount.
- EcoPro will advance the ecological projection discipline by using cutting-edge data science methodologies to more optimally extract information from remote-sensing data, in-situ data, and ESM projections.
- EcoPro will help meet the R&A and Applications Science goals for Ecological Forecasting Program (Program Manager: Woody Turner).




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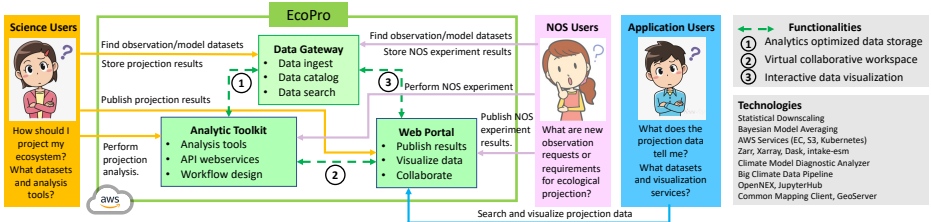


## Objectives



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- Build **Ecological Projection Analytic Collaborative Framework (EcoPro)**: Analytic Server, Data Server, Collaboration Server, and Visualization Server.
- Perform scientific studies to demonstrate the scientific use of EcoPro: Giant sequoias forests, giant kelp forests, and coral reefs.
- Generate application-usable datasets and visualize them to demonstrate the application use of EcoPro.
- Conduct experimental studies to demonstrate the New Observing Strategies (NOS) use of EcoPro.



The diagram illustrates the EcoPro architecture. It features three main user groups: Science Users, NOS Users, and Application Users. Science Users interact with a Data Gateway (Data ingest, Data catalog, Data search) and an Analytic Toolkit (Analysis tools, API webservice, Workflow design). NOS Users interact with the Data Gateway and a Web Portal (Publish results, Visualize data, Collaborate). Application Users interact with the Web Portal. The system is supported by AWS and includes a search and visualization layer for projection data. Functionalities include analytics-optimized data storage, virtual collaborative workspace, and interactive data visualization. Technologies listed include Statistical Downscaling, Bayesian Model Averaging, AWS Services, Zarr, Xarray, Dask, intake-esm, Climate Model Diagnostic Analyzer, Big Climate Data Pipeline, OpenNEX, JupyterHub, Common Mapping Client, and GeoServer.


**Functionalities**

- ① Analytics optimized data storage
- ② Virtual collaborative workspace
- ③ Interactive data visualization


**Technologies**

Statistical Downscaling  
 Bayesian Model Averaging  
 AWS Services (EC, S3, Kubernetes)  
 Zarr, Xarray, Dask, intake-esm  
 Climate Model Diagnostic Analyzer  
 Big Climate Data Pipeline  
 OpenNEX, JupyterHub  
 Common Mapping Client, GeoServer


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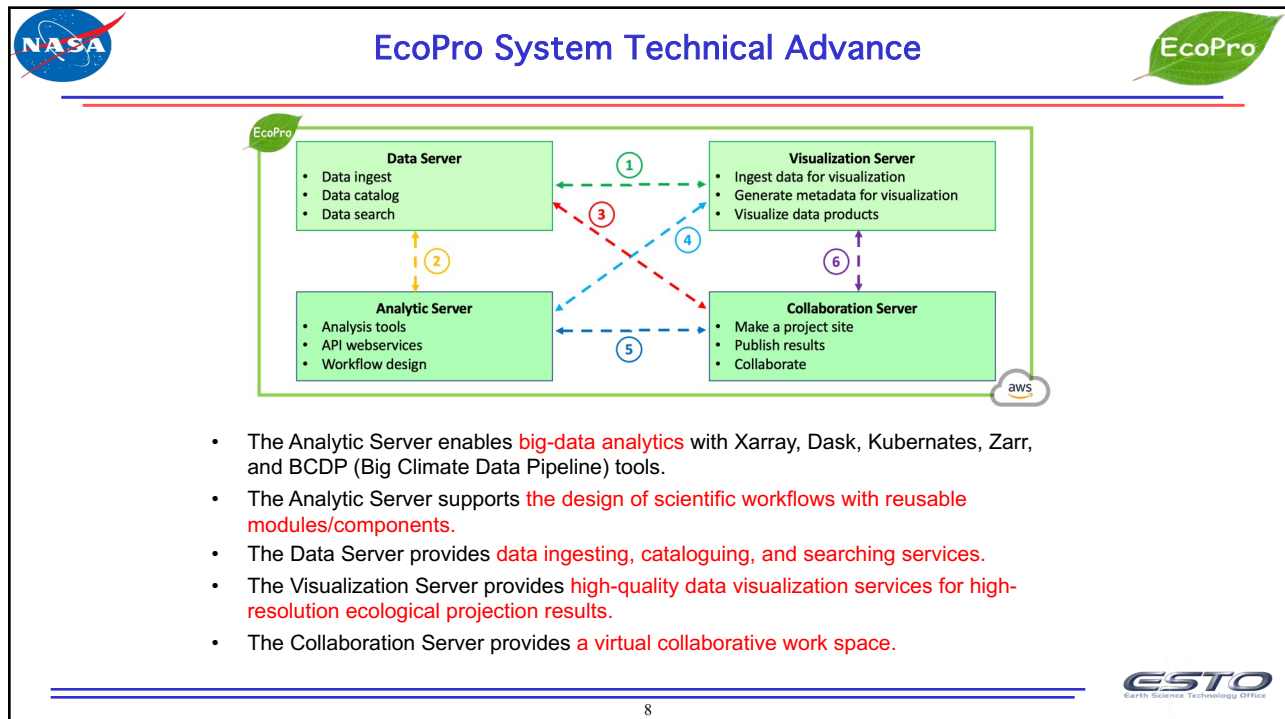
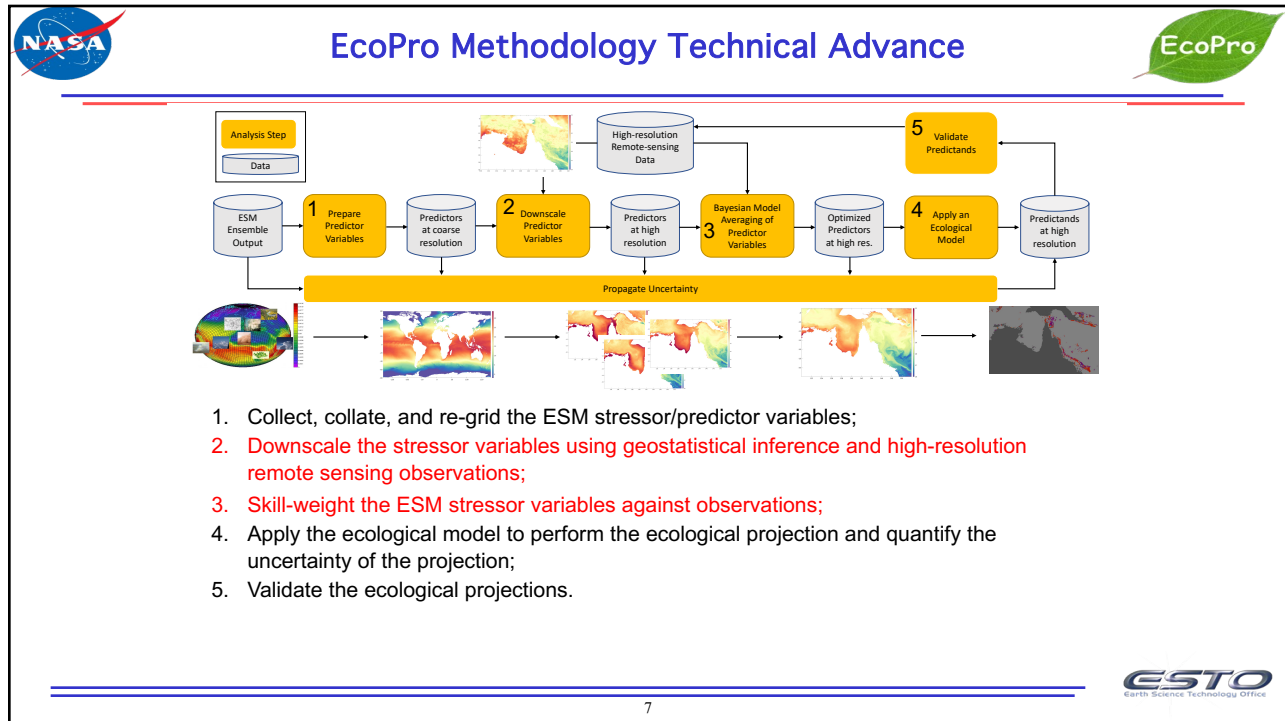
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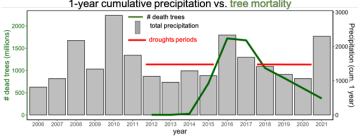
## EcoPro Science Advance



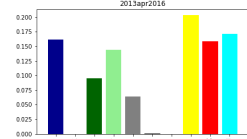
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- Harmonized the USFS **tree mortality time series** geodatabases to produce comprehensive time series (2012-2021).
- Developed **drought indexes** from monthly climate products.
- Identified **important climate variables** to model tree mortality.
- Found **correlations between change in kelp area and sea surface temperature**.

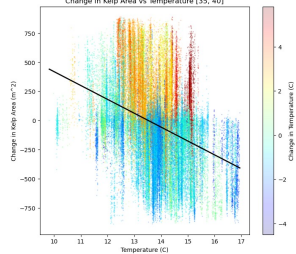
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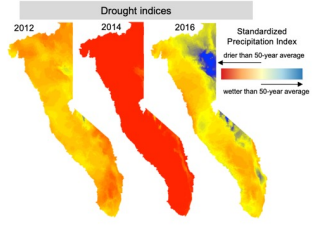
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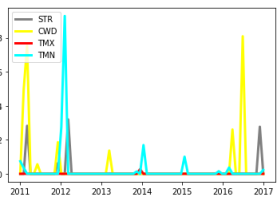



Change in Kelp Area vs Temperature [35, 40]




Drought indices








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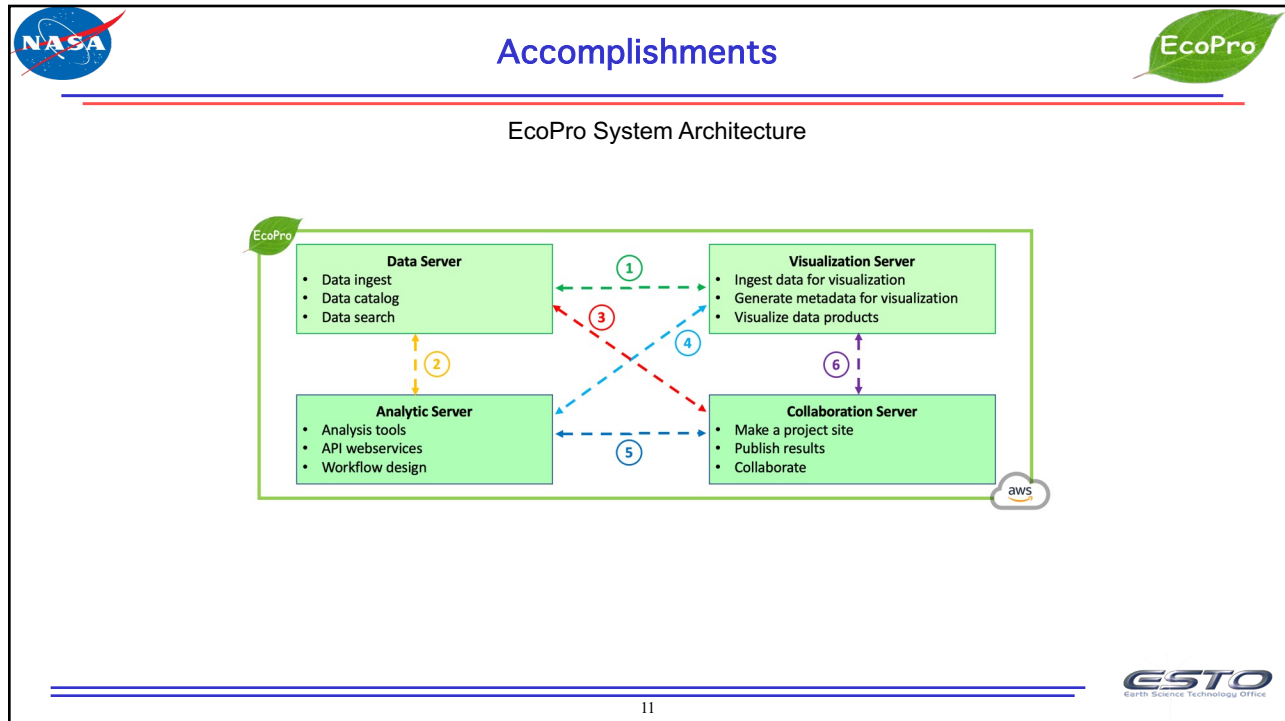


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- Accomplishments**
- EcoPro System Requirements
- Data Server:**
- shall ingest data to the EcoPro database.
  - shall store the ingested data in AWS S3 buckets.
  - shall catalog data with meta data.
  - shall support data search with meta data search conditions.
  - shall convert large-continuous data into some cloud optimal data format Zarr.
- Analytic Server:**
- shall ingest analysis results back into data server for use by visualization server and web portal.
  - shall maintain list of required third party libraries in a docker image.
  - shall allow users to run data analysis workflows as Jupyter Notebooks.
  - shall provide searchable interface for using ARD available from data server.
- Visualization Server:**
- shall ingest the EcoPro projection data products to the EcoPro visualization database (Data Ingestor).
  - shall generate the EcoPro visualization data products out of the EcoPro projection data products and store them in GeoServer.
  - shall store the metadata and configuration data for each visualization data product in Config Server.
  - shall visualize the visualization data products by retrieving configuration from Config Server and visualization data from GeoServer.
- Collaboration Server:**
- Shall provide a collaboration tool to communicate with a project team.
  - Shall provide a project management tool to display the project overview, documents, and activities.
  - Shall provide a publication tool to publish datasets, workflow tools, and other project results.
  - Shall interface with the Data Server, Analytic Toolkit, and Visualization Server to link the project datasets, workflow, and result visualization.
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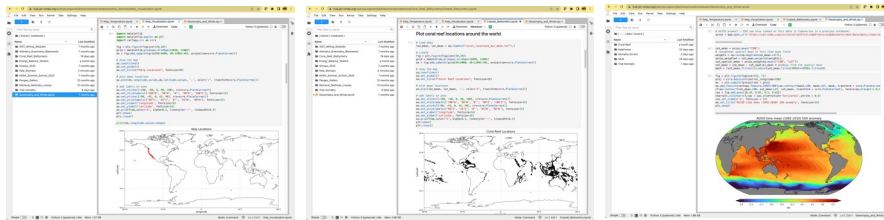


## Accomplishments



### EcoPro Analytic Server

- Reused the JupyterHub server running on EKS from our previous AIST project for the EcoPro Analytic Server development
- Transferred cloud computing resources to us-west-2 AWS region.
- Made various software updates including setting up and configuring R studio/notebook kernel to allow development from team members in the R programming language.
- Reimplemented the following workflows on the EcoPro analytic server:
  - Seasonal subsetting for tree mortality
  - Regridding and spatial subsetting for CMIP6 SST

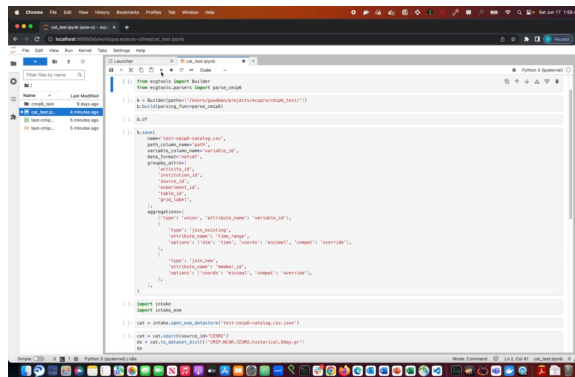


## Accomplishments



### EcoPro Data Server

- Developed prototype for ingesting/searching data processed from Analytic Server:
  - Catalog follows intake-esm json and csv file formats
  - Uses ecgtools to automatically keep all catalog files up to date
  - Full end-to-end workflow demonstrated for CMIP6 SST use-case





## Accomplishments



### EcoPro Visualization Server

- Updated Common Mapping Client framework to build in modern development systems
- Ported the heritage CoralViz project to the updated framework
- Developed a backend application bundle for ingesting, serving, and viewing geospatial data.
  - Fully Dockerized and ready for cloud deployment
  - Python and Bash scripts for data processing
  - Support for GeoTIFF, NetCDF, and Shapefiles
- Extended the CMC base framework to include:
  - Dynamic pixel value extrapolation
  - Dynamic layer ingestion
  - Multi-layer configuration
  - Layer sub-grouping
  - Expanded vector data support
  - Additional time series controls
  - Dockerized container for build and deployment
- Developed a tool for generating useful raster color palettes.
- Processed, ingested, and visualized datasets for Tree Mortality, Reef Mortality, and Kelp Biomass

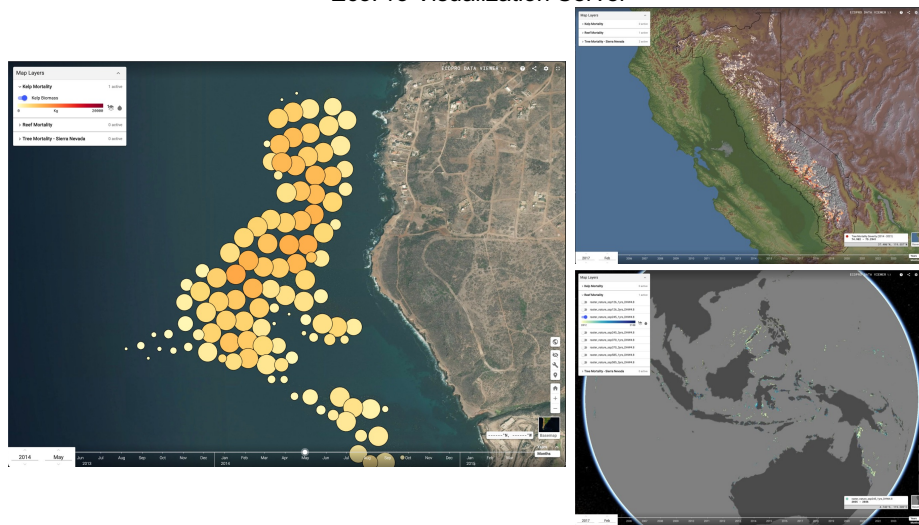
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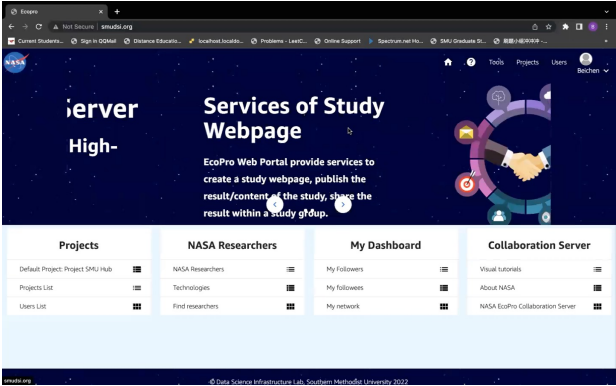
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### EcoPro Collaboration Server

- Developed, tested, and deployed the web-based collaboration portal to AWS.
- Implemented user access control and profile management functionalities.
- Implemented basic project publication and comment sharing functionalities.
- Implemented bug/suggestion/idea report and management functionalities.






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## Accomplishments



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### EcoPro Collaboration Server: Users

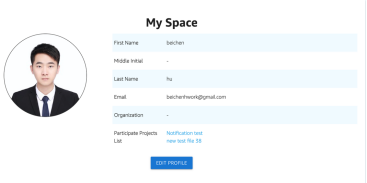
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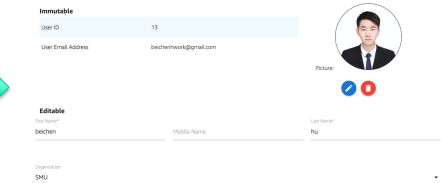
**Users:**


- Check user profile
  - Basic info
  - Participate projects
- Edit user profile
  - User personal info
  - Update user password

**My Space**



**Edit Your Profile**






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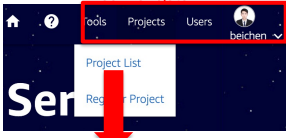


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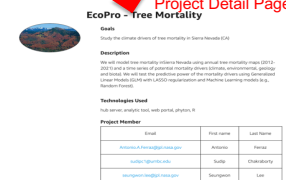
**Tool Navigator**




**Project List Page**



**Project Detail Page**



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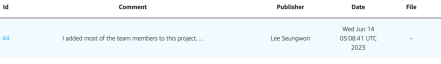
### EcoPro Collaboration Server: Projects

**Projects:**

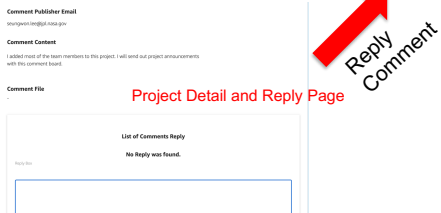
- Check project detail
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- Comment project
  - Only group member visible
  - Reply comment and upload reply files

**Project Comment List Page**


**Comment Board**




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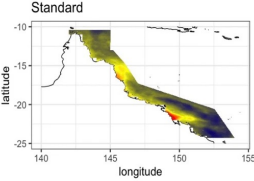


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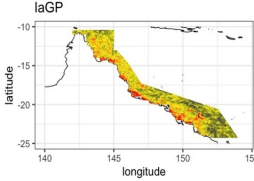
### Statistical Downscaling

- Completed the improved downscaling algorithms and validation with two different datasets, one with Gaussian distribution and the other with logistic transformation.
- Provided a brief user guide for the analytic server team to integrate the downscaling algorithms into the ecological projection workflow.

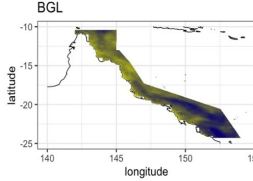
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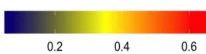


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BGL





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Comparison among different statistical downscaling methods. Our BGL method outperforms in terms of mean squared error against the MUR SST observational data in a central region of the Great Barrier Reef.



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### Spatial Model Weighting

- For a given remote sensing data  $Y$  and a given set of climate model outputs  $O$ , find the **spatial model weighting factors**  $\phi_{ij}$  as follows:

$$Y_i = \sum_{j=1}^K \phi_{ij} O_{ij}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

- $Y$ :  $n$ -dimensional vector of remote sensing data
  - $O$ :  $n \times K$  matrix whose columns are  $n$ -dimensional vectors of output from  $K$  climate models
  - $n$ : the number of grid cells
  - $\sum_{j=1}^K \phi_{ij} = 1$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, n$
  - $\phi_{1j}, \dots, \phi_{nj}$  has a spatial dependence structure for  $j = 1, \dots, K$ .
- Derivation of the MCMC algorithm is completed.
  - The majority of the code written in R is completed.
  - Will apply to the CMIP6 SST model outputs and MUR SST observation data.

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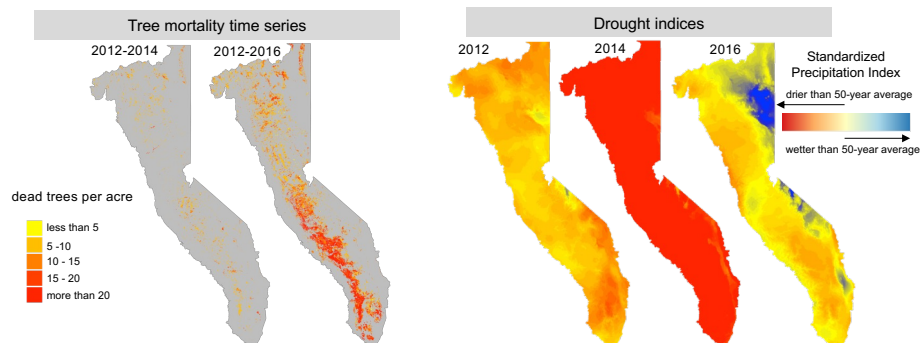


## Accomplishments




### Tree Mortality Science Use Case


- Task plan to model tree mortality from environmental data (climate, soil moisture, topography), enabling predictions of tree mortality under future climate scenarios
- R scripts to harmonize the USFS [tree mortality time series](#) geodatabases to produce comprehensive time series (2012-2021).
- R and python scripts to process historical and future monthly climate products
- Developed [drought indexes](#) from monthly climate products



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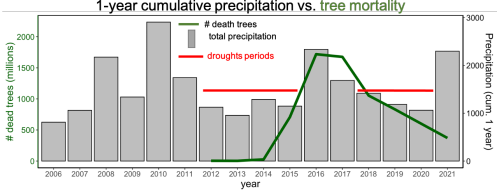
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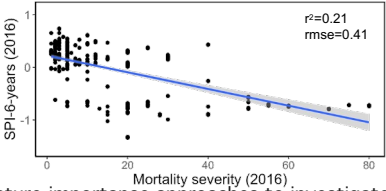
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### Tree Mortality Science Use Case


- Analyses show that tree mortality manifested massively after 3 to 4 consecutive years of drought.




- Preliminary results show that models defined as a function of a single drought index encompassing multiple years (e.g., SPI 2012-2016) explain the peak of mortality in 2016.




- Next, we will develop feature-importance approaches to investigate further the primary climate drivers of tree mortality among multiple droughts indexes



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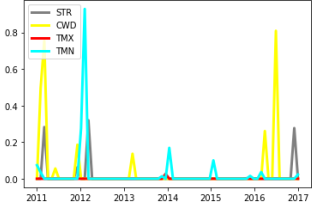
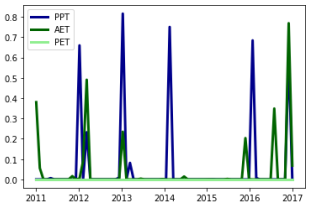
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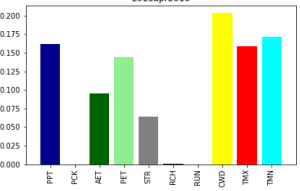
### Tree Mortality Science Use Case


- Monthly data for ten different climate variables have been used to identify feature importance on tree mortality over the Sierra Nevada region.
- PPT, AET, PET, TMX, CWD, STR, and TMN are the dominant variables.
- PCK, RCH, and Run are the least important variables.
- PPT appears to be important every month.
- We estimated the correlation between the 7 major climate parameters and the tree mortality in year 2016 when the tree mortality was the highest.

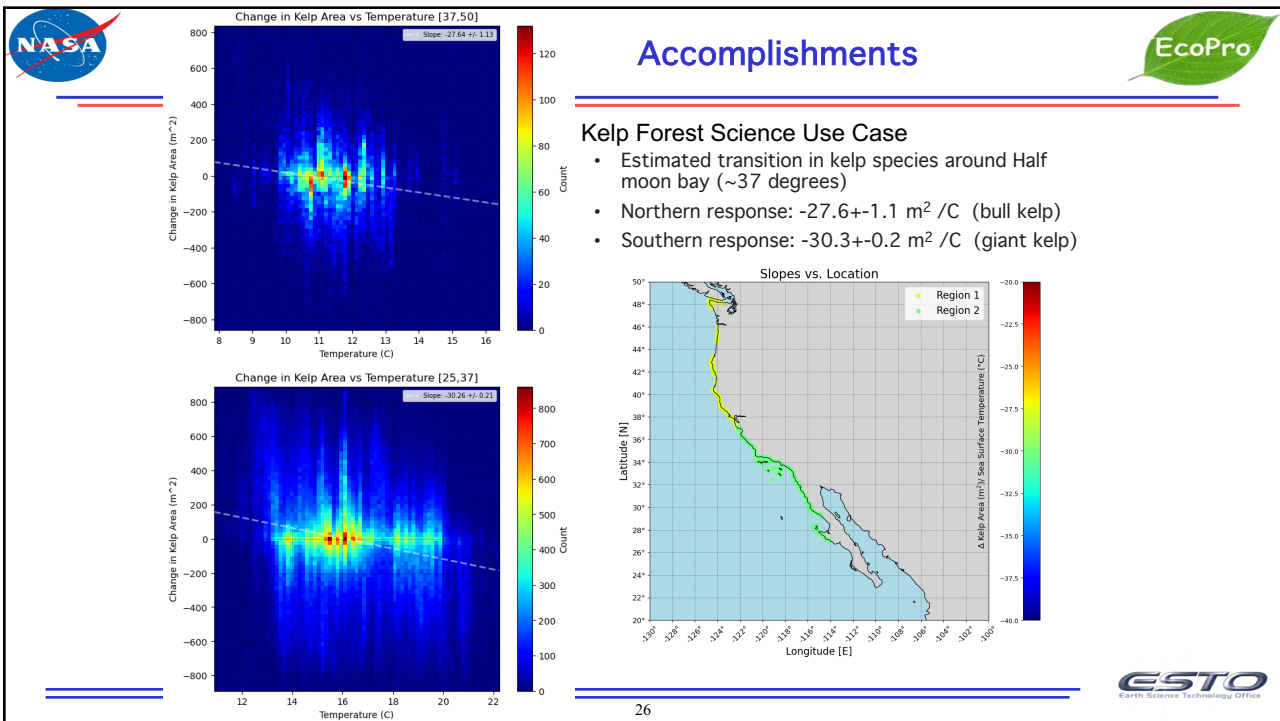
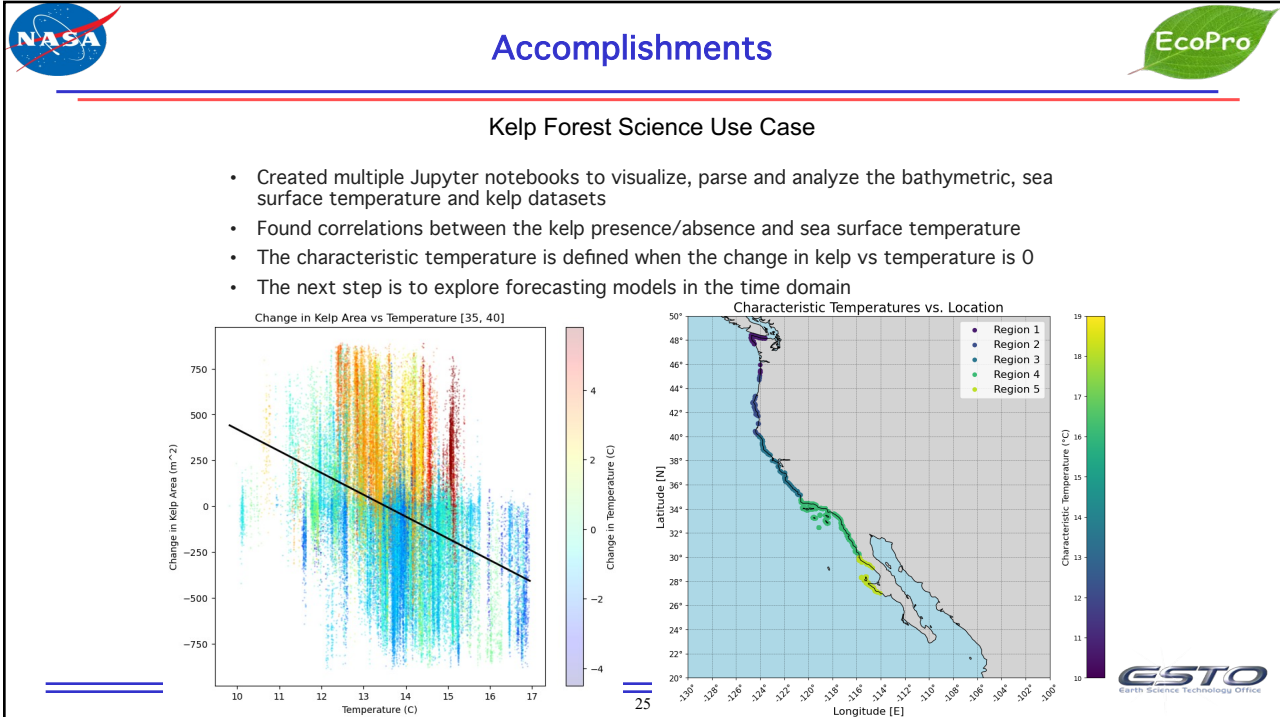
Features


- Precipitation (PPT)**
- Snow water Equivalent (PCK)**
- Actual ET (AET)**
- Potential ET (PET)**
- Soil water storage (STR)
- Recharge (RCH)**
- Runoff (RUN)**
- Climate water deficit (CWD)**
- Maximum Temperature (TMX)**
- Minimum Temperature (TMN)**






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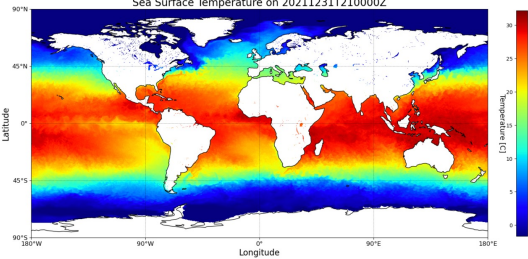
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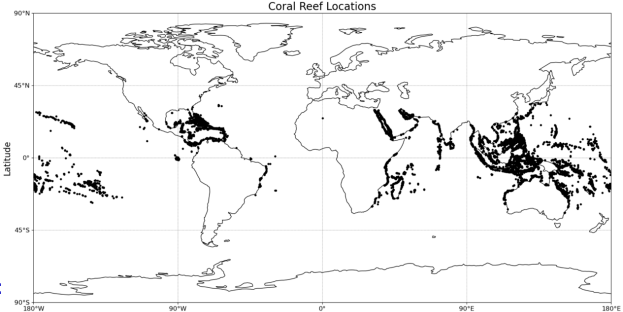
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### Coral Reef Science Use Case


- Created multiple Jupyter notebooks to visualize, parse and analyze the bathymetric, SST and coral datasets
- Integrated data products from Allen Coral Atlas into EcoPro to track the growth and demise of coral.
- In the process of searching for correlations between SST, bathymetry and coral bleaching.




Sea Surface Temperature on 20211231T210000Z




Coral Reef Locations








## Plans Forward



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- The Development Phase 1 of the Project is in progress (Mar 2023– Jul 2023).
  - Testing EcoPro Prototype with scientific use cases.
  - Developing the version 1 of EcoPro subsystems.
  - Developing an ecological projection model for kelp forest, tree mortality, and coral reef.
  - Producing statistical downscaled SST data products for kelp forest.
  - Generating harmonized data time series for tree mortality.
  - Generating climate indices for tree mortality.
  - Developing the model weighting algorithm.
  - Writing a workflow in Jupyter Notebook for ecological projections.
  - Milestone: EcoPro science use case study report.
- The Development Phase 2 of the Project is next (Aug 2023 – Dec 2023).
  - Will produce model-weighted kelp forest ecological projection results.
  - Will produce model-weighted tree mortality ecological projection results.
  - Will produce model-weighted coral reef ecological projection results.
  - Will integrate the statistical downscaling and model weighting code into Analytic Server.
  - Will integrate the ecological projection workflow into Analytic Server.
  - Will ingest and visualize the ecological projection results in Visualization Server.
  - Will connect Analytic Server and Visualization Server with Collaboration Server.









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## Actual/Potential Infusions and Collaborations

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- Potential infusions
  - SBG science and application: will partner with SBG application lead Dr. Christine Lee and SBG science lead Dr. David Schimel in the second year to develop a new use case.
- Actual collaborations
  - Sudip Chakraborty at UMBC for tree mortality use case: Dr. Chakraborty provided the climate stressor datasets and working with us developing an ecological model.
  - Kyle Cavanaugh at UCLA for kelp forest use case: Prof. Cavanaugh provided the kelp mass datasets and technical support.
  - Collaboration with USFS resulted in new data products harmonizing time series of tree mortality surveys.
- Mentoring
  - JPL summer intern Nizhoni Sutter: mentoring her with the coral reef ecological model development task.
  - JPL summer intern Sierra Dahiyat: mentoring her with the kelp forest ecological model development task.

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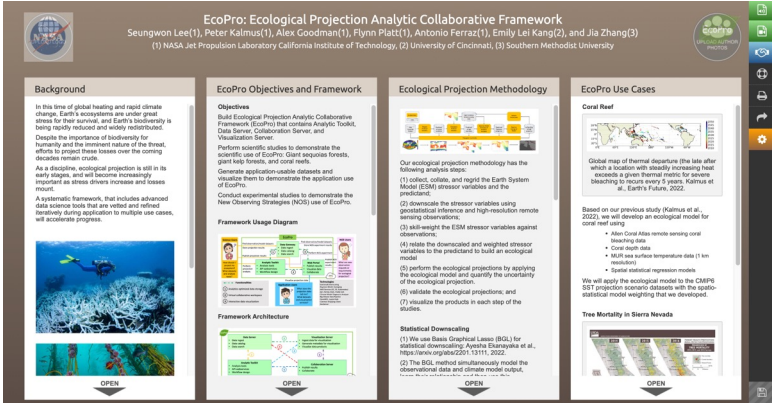


## Publications




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- AGU Fall Meeting Conference Poster (IN34A-03), December 12-16, 2022, Chicago, IL
  - Title: EcoPro: Ecological Projection Analytic Collaborative Framework,
  - Authors: Seungwon Lee, Peter Kalmus, Alex Goodman, Flynn Platt, Antonio Ferraz, Emily Lei Kang, and Jia Zhang



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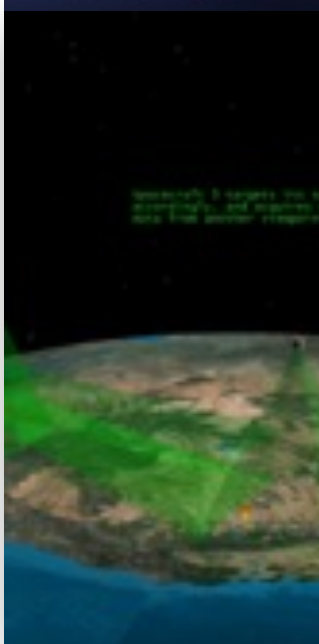
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## List of Acronyms



API: Application Programming Interface  
AWS: Amazon Web Services  
BCDP: Big Climate Data Pipeline  
BMA: Bayesian Model Averaging  
CMC: Common Mapping Client  
CMDA: Climate Model Diagnostic Analyzer  
ESM: Earth System Model  
EcoPro: Ecological Projection Analytic Collaborative Framework  
JPL: Jet Propulsion Laboratory  
OCW: Open Climate Workbench  
OIIP: Oceanographic In-Situ data Interoperability Project  
OpenNEX: Open NASA Earth Exchange  
PO.DAAC: Physical Oceanography Distributed Active Archive Center  
R&A: Research and Analysis  
SBG: Surface Biology and Geology  
SMU: Southern Methodist University  
SOTO: State of the Ocean (PO.DAAC's visualization tool)  
TRL: Technology Readiness Level  
UC: University of Cincinnati  
UCLA: University of California, Los Angeles  
UMBC: University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
USFS: United States Forest Service



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