

Chapter 2 : Getting Started



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Topics of Discussion:

- Requirements
- Where to obtain MM5 source code (tar files)?
- What is in these tar files?
- How to run the MM5 programs?
- What is job deck / job script?
- What to modify in a job script?
- Input and output files
- Where to find data to run MM5?
- Conventions used in MM5 system

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Requirements:

- The code is portable
- The entire modeling system software can be run most major vendor's computers
 - Mainframes
 - Unix workstations
 - Computers running Linux

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Requirements:

- The code has been ported to:
 - DEC_Alpha
 - SGI
 - SUN
 - IBM
 - HP
 - PC running Linux
 - Cray
 - Fujitsu
 - NEC
- The code does NOT run on PC's running Windows

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Requirements:

- MM5 model and its preprocessing software are written in Fortran.
 - Older programs are in Fortran 77
 - Newer programs are in Fortran 90
- A few utility routines are in C

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Requirements:

Program	Source Code	Compiler
TERRAIN	Fortran 77	F77 (or F90)
REGRID	Fortran 90	F90
LITTLE_R	Fortran 90	F90
RAWINS	Fortran 77	F77 (or F90)
INTERPF	Fortran 90	F90
MM5	Fortran 77	F77 (or F90)
NESTDOWN	Fortran 90	F90
INTERPB	Fortran 90	F90
RIP/GRAPH	Fortran 77	F77 (or F90)

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Requirements:

- The MM5 model can be run in different ways, depending on your computer.
- The MM5 model can be run:
 - On a single processor computer (serial run)
 - On shared memory architecture (OpenMP)
 - On distributed memory architecture (MPI)

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Requirements:

- The model has been run on a variety of parallel platforms:
 - IBM (SP2, SP-Silver, SP-Power 3)
 - SGI Origin 200/2000
 - CRAYs (J90, C90, T3E)
 - DEC_Alphas, Alphas running Linux
 - Sun
 - Fujitsu VPP
 - NEC SX/5
 - network of Linux PCs

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Requirements:

- Software requirements:
 - Must-have:
 - Fortran 90 and 77 compiler
 - C compiler
 - For Linux:
 - Fortran and C compilers from Portland Group
 - Fortran and C compilers from Intel work, but are not yet supported
 - Often need an extra library: libf2c.a
ftp.ucar.edu/mesouser/MM5V3/Test/libf2c.a

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Requirements:

- Software requirements:
 - Optional:
 - NCAR Graphics (free), <http://ngwww.ucar.edu>
 - MPI tools for running MPI MM5 model

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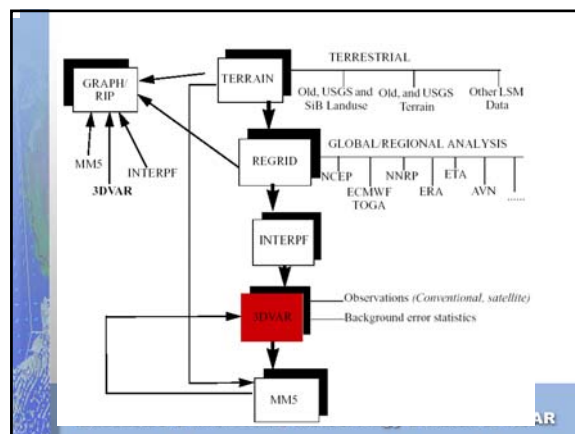
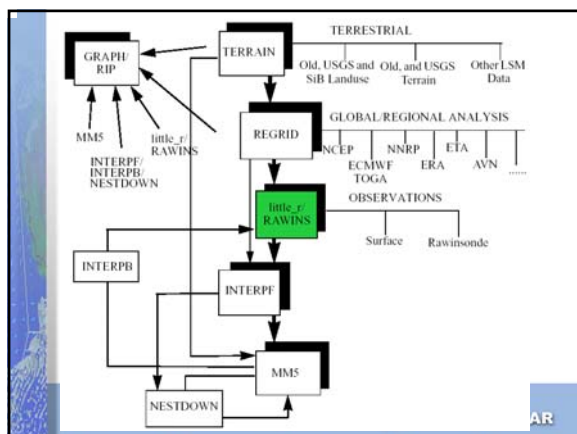
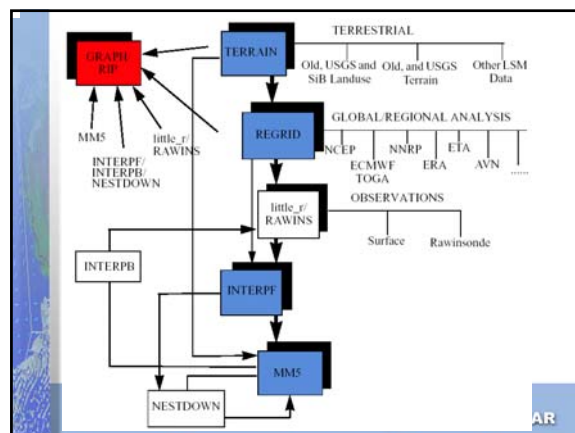
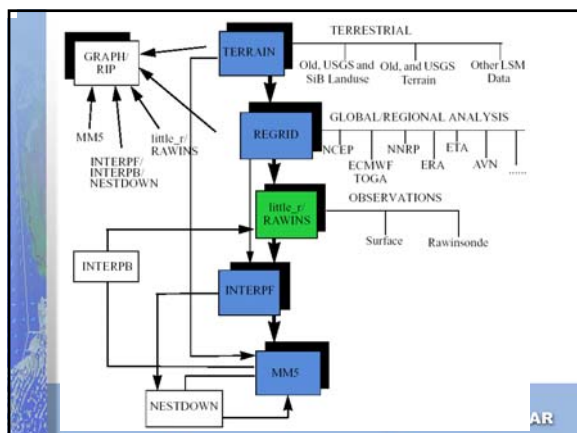
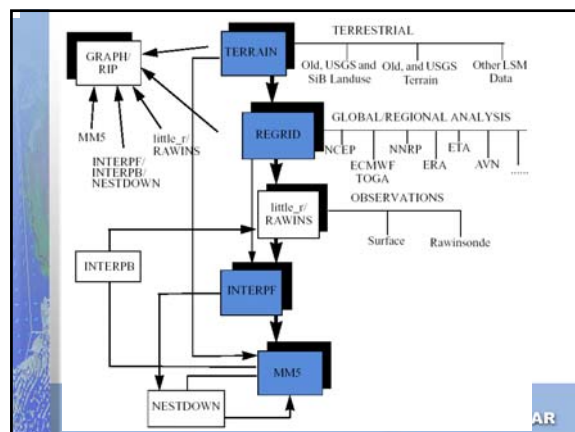
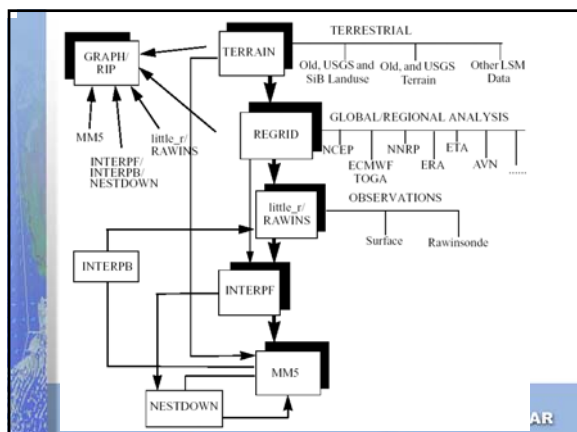
- Hardware requirements:
 - 0.5 Gb or more memory
 - a few Gb disk space

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Source Code:

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Where to obtain TAR files:

- NCAR's anonymous ftp site:
<ftp://ftp.ucar.edu/mesouser/MM5V3>
- NCAR/SCD computers:
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Where to obtain TAR files:

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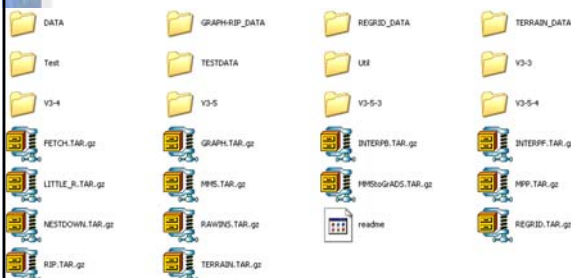
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Where to obtain TAR files:

ftp [ftp.ucar.edu](ftp://ftp.ucar.edu)
Name: **anonymous**
Password: **your-email-address**
ftp > cd mesouser/MM5V3
ftp > binary
ftp > get MM5.TAR.gz
ftp > quit

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Where to obtain TAR files:

- **Uncompress, and untar the files to create program directories:**
 - `gunzip X.TAR.gz` (*gunzip TERRAIN.TAR.gz*)
 - `tar -xvf X.TAR` (*tar -xvf TERRAIN.TAR*)
 - `cd X` (*cd TERRAIN*)
- **Read the *README* file for instructions on how to compile and run each individual program**

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What is in a program tar file?

- **All program tar files contain the following:**
 - **README:** instruction on how to compile and run
 - **CHANGES:** description of changes
 - **Diff/:** directory containing diff files
 - **Makefile:** top-level makefile for creating executable
 - **Templates/:** directory containing job deck and script
 - TERRAIN, RAWINS, MM5, and GRAPH only
 - **src/:** source directory (except for MM5, which has several directories to host source code)

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How to run the MM5 programs:

- | ● FORTRAN 77 programs | ● FORTRAN 90 programs |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">– <code>make x.deck</code>– <code>vi x.deck</code> (<i>edit</i>)– <code>x.deck</code> (<i>compile & run</i>) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">– <code>make</code> (<i>compile</i>)– <code>vi namelist.input</code> (<i>edit</i>) OR– <code>edit script</code>– <code>regridder</code> (<i>run program</i>) |
| ● TERRAIN & RAWINS | ● REGRID, LITTLE_R, INTERPF, INTERPB, NESTDOWN |

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Functions of a job deck/script:

- **Help setup and run programs**
- **Similar functions**
- **Assume source code to be local**
- **job decks (x.deck)**
[batch jobs/interactive]
- **job scripts (x.csh)** [interactive only]
- **x.csh will be in tar file**
- **x.deck are created for each computer**
(eg, *make x.deck*)

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Functions of a job deck/script:

- **Control how and where to get input data**
 - For IBM job scripts, it also controls where to dispose data
- **Job switches (*shell variables*)**
- **Parameter statements**
 - (*used in Fortran 77 programs, e.g. TERRAIN*)
- **Fortran namelists**
 - *runtime options, ie, options that do not require recompilation*)
- **Set up file links, create executable, obtain data**
 - (*this section normally does not require user modification*)

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What to modify in script/deck?

- **Shell variables**
 - usually appear up front
 - eg. out of pregrid.csh
- ```
Select source of 3D data
#
set SRC3D = ON84
set SRC3D = NCEP
set SRC3D = GRIB
```

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## What to modify in script/deck?

- **Parameter statements**

- only used in FORTRAN 77 code
- TERRAIN, RAWINS, GRAPH
- **syntax important**
- **must recompile after a change**
- eg. out of terrain.deck

```
cat > src/parame.incl <<EOF
C IIMX,JJMX are the max size of the domains

 PARAMETER(IIMX=136,JJMX=181,NSIZE=IIMX*JJMX)
EOF
```

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## What to modify in script/deck?

- **Fortran namelist**

- used in FORTRAN 77/90 code
- **syntax important**
- **NO need to recompile after a change**
- eg. out of terrain.deck

```
&MAPBG
 PHIC = 36.0,
 XLONG = -85.0,
 IPROJ = 'LAMCON',
&END

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 PHIC = 36.0,
 XLONG = -85.0,
 IPROJ = 'LAMCON',
/
```

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## Output files:

- **Intermediate File format**

- Output of REGRID/pregrid
- Input to REGRID/regridder
- Chapter 5 of Notes

- **MM5 Output**

- TERRAIN/REGRID/LITTLE\_R/INTERPF/MM5,...
- Unique output format (NOT GRIB)
- Binary
- readv3.f
- Chapter 13 of Notes

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## Output Files:

- **Output files name convention:**

*program-name\_DOMAINx*  
(e.g. TERRAIN\_DOMAIN1)

- **A user is required to move output files to another place if the files are to be saved. A rerun of a program will overwrite the existing output files.**

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## Input files:

- **TERRAIN**

- Terrestrial Data

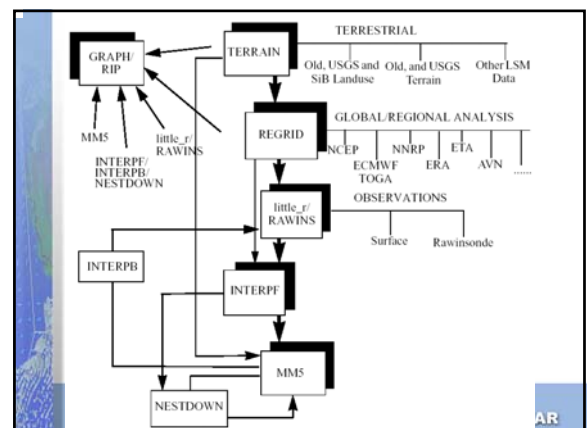
- **REGRID**

- Global/Regional Analysis

- **LITTLE\_R**

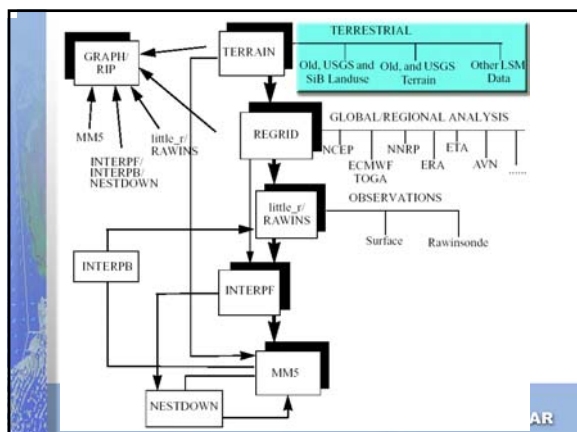
- Observations

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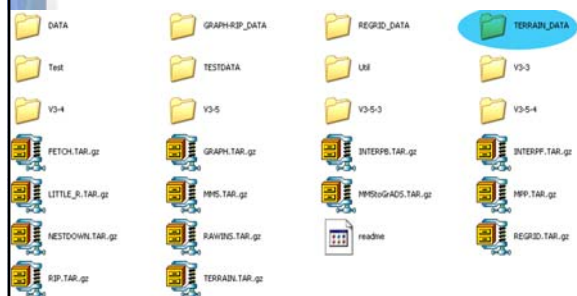
## TERRAIN Input Files:

- mesouser provides six-resolution terrestrial datasets for program TERRAIN including:
  - elevation
  - landuse
  - land-water mask
- If you want to use the land-surface model option in MM5:
  - soil types
  - deep soil temp
  - vegetation fraction

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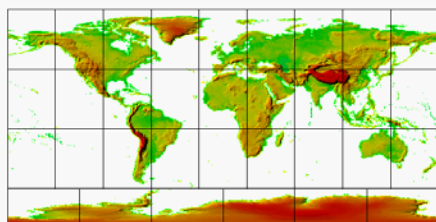
## TERRAIN Input Files:

- NCAR's anonymous ftp site:  
<ftp://ftp.ucar.edu/mesouser/MM5V3>

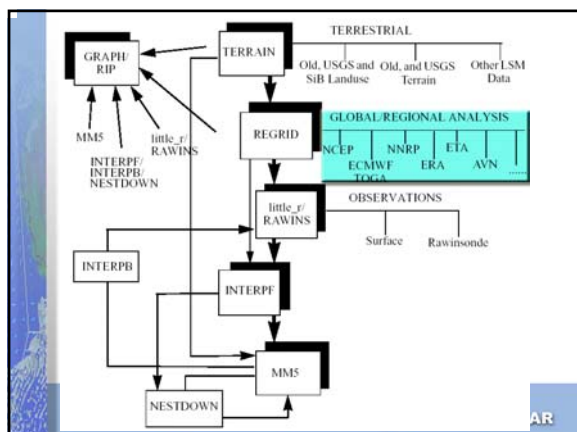


## TERRAIN Input Files:

- 30sec terrain elevation data:  
<http://edcdaac.usgs.gov/gtopo30/gtopo30.html>



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## REGRID Input Files:

- Gridded analysis data
  - GRIB
  - NCEP (GDAS & ON84)
  - Unsupported formats, via intermediate files
- Multiple data time periods are required – this is because the model not only requires initial condition to start the model, it needs lateral boundary conditions to carry on integration.

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## REGRID Input Files:

- Where to get analysis data?

- Your local Weather Service may have
- Real-time data from NCEP  
<ftp://ftpprd.ncep.noaa.gov/pub/data/nccf>
- NCAR archive
  - ON84 (ds082.0)
  - NCEP GDAS (ds083.0)
  - NCEP Final Analysis (ds083.2)
  - Reanalysis data (ds090.0)
  - NCEP Eta (AWIP) data (ds609.2)  
(see pages 2-11 to 2-13)

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## REGRID Input Files:

- Where to get NCAR archive data?

- Need an account on NCAR computer  
<http://www.scd.ucar.edu/resources/apply.html>
- Use “get” scripts to download data from
  - ~mesouser/MM5V3/Util
  - REGRID/pregrid/
  - Chapter 14 (14.2.5)

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## REGRID Input Files:

- “get” scripts

|          |                                       |
|----------|---------------------------------------|
| get_on84 | NCEP GDAS in ON84 format (ds082.0)    |
| get_ncep | NCEP GDAS in GRIB format (ds083.0)    |
| get_fnl  | NCEP Final Analysis in GRIB (ds083.2) |
| get_nnrp | NCEP Reanalysis data (ds090.0)        |
| get_awip | NCEP Eta (AWIP) data (ds609.2)        |
| get_era  | ECMWF Reanalysis data (ds511)         |
| get_toga | ECMWF Toga data (ds111.2)             |

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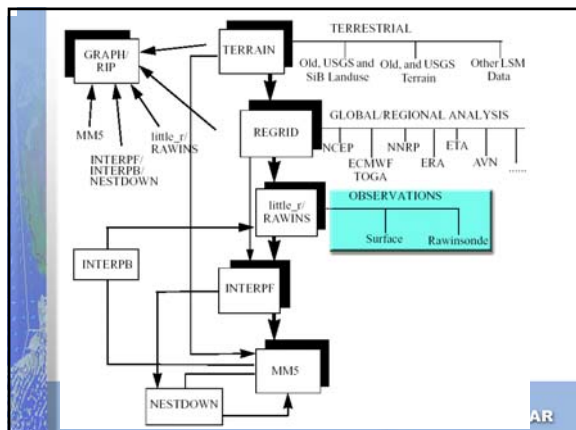
## REGRID Input Files:

- “get” scripts

|           |                               |
|-----------|-------------------------------|
| startdate | Start date                    |
| ndates    | Number of time periods needed |
| itimint   | Interval of available data    |

- All data will be downloaded on:  
/ptmp/\$USER/REGRID/pregrid/

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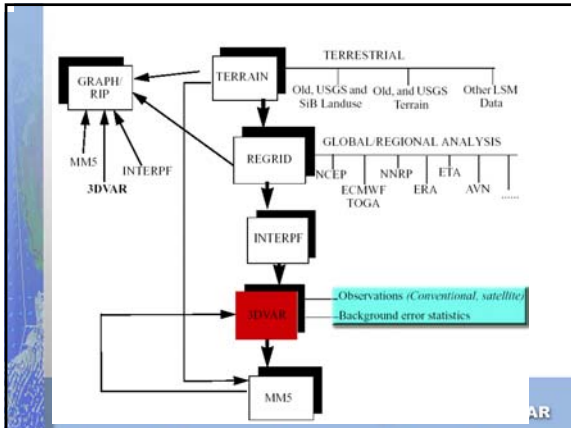
## LITTLE\_R Input Files:

- Require observational data for OA

- Local sources
- archive at NCAR
  - On MSS, need NCAR account
  - Use “fetch” script to download data
    - ~mesouser/MM5V3/Util
    - fetch-little\_r-data.deck.ibm
    - Need only start and end dates
    - Download ADP format data from MSS
    - Convert to LITTLE\_R format
    - Download data to /ptmp/\$USER/FETCH

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## Conventions used in MM5:

- **Representation of latitude and longitude:**
  - Northern latitude is *positive*, southern is *negative*
  - Eastern longitudes are *positive*, and western longitudes are *negative* – those are the longitudes between the dateline and Greenwich
- **Representation of winds:**
  - All gridded u and v components of the wind are with *respect to model grid*, not earth

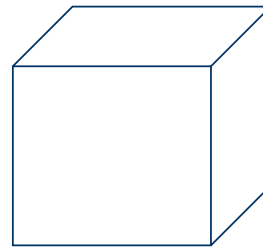
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## Conventions used in MM5:

- **Representation of date:**
  - Use up to 24 characters
  - In the form of *yyyy-mm-dd\_hh:mm:ss:xxxx*
    - yyyy:** 4-digit year
    - mm:** 2-digit month
    - dd:** 2-digit day
    - hh:** 2-digit hour
    - mm:** 2-digit minutes
    - ss:** 2-digit second
    - xxxx:** 4-digit ten thousandths of a second (*optional*)
  - **Example:** 2003-08-18\_12:00:00
- **Date and time refer to Universal Time (GMT), not local time**

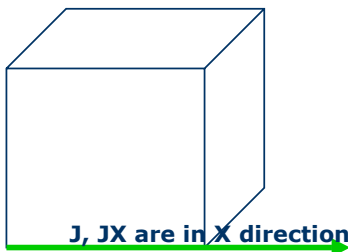
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## Conventions used in MM5: Array Indices



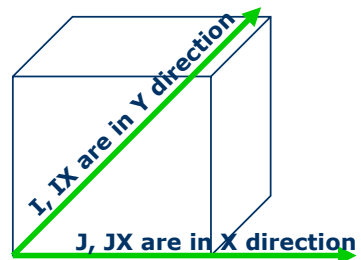
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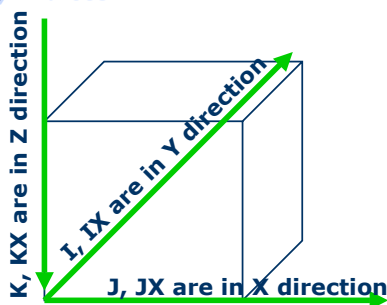
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## Other useful programs:

- **Utility programs available under**  
mesouser/MM5V3/Util directory
- **User-contributed programs available under**  
mesouser/user-contrib directory (currently only  
available from ftp site)
- **Also browse other mesouser directories**
- **Lots of extra information/documentation**  
on Web

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## Summary:

- Code portable (run on most Unix and Linux systems)
- Fortran 77/90 and C compilers are required
- Source code available on mesouser account (ftp site/MSS/NCAR SCD computers)
- Instructions on how to compile and run any program are available in README files

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## Summary:

- Unique output files (Chapter 13 / readv3.f)
- TERRAIN input files available on ftp site
- MM5 requires meteorological datasets for multiple time periods to run
- MM5 IJK convention difference from other models
- For reference, read Chapter 2.

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