Automated Testing in MPAS and WRF Models

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Agile methodology enables the key stakeholders and developers to collaborate more closely to accelerate delivery



- Not ideal for large size projects
- Requirements and goals may become irrelevant
- $\circ~$ Bug fix can be expensive



- o Iterative development
- Requirements and solutions evolve through collaboration between teams
- Always have a system that works

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Agile in scientific programming: Make incremental changes

- In scientific programming the requirements can change based on the results from the previous increment : "Scientists can't know what their programs should do next until the current version has produced some results."*
- Separation of concerns: Developing code in small increments with frequent feedback and course correction
- Increase <u>efficiency</u>, <u>reusability</u>, and <u>reproducibility</u>

Useful tools:

- Version Control Systems (VCS) GitHub, GitLab, ...
- Testing framework Travis-CI, Jenkins, Bamboo
- Containers Docker, Charliecloud, Singularity





* Wilson G, et al. Best practices for scientific computing. PLoS Biol. ;12(1):e1001745. doi:10.1371/journal.pbio.1001745



Testing is one of the key components of Agile methodology

Agile testing:

- Continuous process and receive feedback in each iteration
- Easier to review
- Issues are fixed within the same iteration





Types of tests:

- 1. Unit tests (test each component) : is input correct? is the answer close to a known answer?, ...
- 2. Application tests (test the whole system)

Testing Workflow





Automated Testing Workflow





Containers: A packaged user environment that can be "upacked" and used across different systems, from laptops to cloud to HPC

- Standardized packaging for software and dependencies
- Build and test across multiple platforms
- Increase portability and reusability of the code





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With Docker containers we can test different use-cases in parallel





Examples of use-cases: NMM Chem Ideal: QSS Ideal: B Wave EM real Moving Nest

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With Docker containers we can test different builds and software versions



Build and run	Build and run	Build and run	Build and run
Run Docker	Run Docker	Run Docker	Run Docker
container	container	container	container
Build Docker	Build Docker	Build Docker	Build Docker
image (1)	image (2)	image (3)	image (4)



Example of Travis-CI interface in JEDI

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- Scientific community can benefit from Agile methodology; increase efficiency, reusability, and reproducibility
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Build Statuses







https://codecov.io/gh/JCSDA/oops



Codecov Report

Merging **#273** into **develop** will **decrease** coverage by 0.01%. The diff coverage is n/a.



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