

Real Data Initialization

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#### Real-Data Init - ARW

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### Necessary Steps to Build IC/BC

- Build real.exe and wrf.exe (ndown.exe is for free)
- Fix namelist with run-time options
- Link/copy SI output into correct run directory
- Run real.exe (can be serial or DM parallel for large memory cases)

#### Build real.exe and wrf.exe

- Get zip'ed tar file (Unix only) from WRF download (http://wrf-model.org) page, select USERS on main page
- Unzip and untar file
- cd WRFV2
- ./configure (option 1 is usually for serial builds, watch options for nesting!)
- ./compile em\_real

## Fix namelist with run-time options time\_control

```
run_days = 0,
run_hours = 12,
run_minutes = 0,
run_seconds = 0,
```

Controls coarse grid if present (non-zero), else the end\_\* variables are used

WRF only

## Fix namelist with run-time options time control

```
= 2000, 2000, 2000,
start_year
                   = 01, 01, 01,
start_month
                   = 24, 24, 24,
start_day
                   = 12, 12, 12,
start_hour
                   = 2000, 2000, 2000,
end_year
end month
                   = 01, 01, 01,
                   = 25, 25, 25,
end_day
                   = 12, 12,
end hour
                                12,
```

Controls start time for all domains, and end of all domains except coarse (only if run\_\* is zero does end\_\* affect CG)

real.exe uses first column only, multidomain runs imply multiple real.exe runs

## Fix namelist with run-time options time\_control

```
interval_seconds = 21600
input_from_file = .t. ,.f. ,.f.,
history_interval = 180, 60, 60,
frames_per_outfile = 1000, 1000, 1000,
```

Default unit for history interval is minutes

Frames => how many time periods inside each file

Real.exe only uses interval\_seconds to find SI files,
and as lateral BC interval

```
time_step = 180,
time_step_fract_num = 0,
time_step_fract_den = 1,
max_dom = 1,
```

Default unit for time step seconds (CG only)

Max\_dom is total number of domains to be run during forecast

WRF only

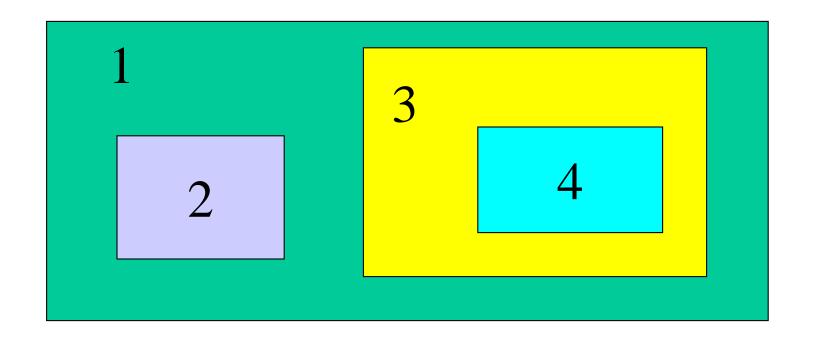
s_we	= 1,	1,	1,
e_we	= 74,	112,	94,
s_sn	= 1,	1,	1,
e_sn	= 61,	97,	91,
s_vert	= 1,	1,	1,
e_vert	= 28,	28,	28,

"s\_" start, always 1, "e\_" end, max extent of u,v,w "we" west-east, left-right, "sn" south-north "vert" vertical dimension real.exe uses first column only

```
dx = 30000, 10000, 3333,
dy = 30000, 10000, 3333,
```

dx, dy must be equal
Unit is meters
real.exe uses first column only

```
grid_id = 1, 2, 3,
parent_id = 0, 1, 2,
```



real.exe uses first column only of grid\_id

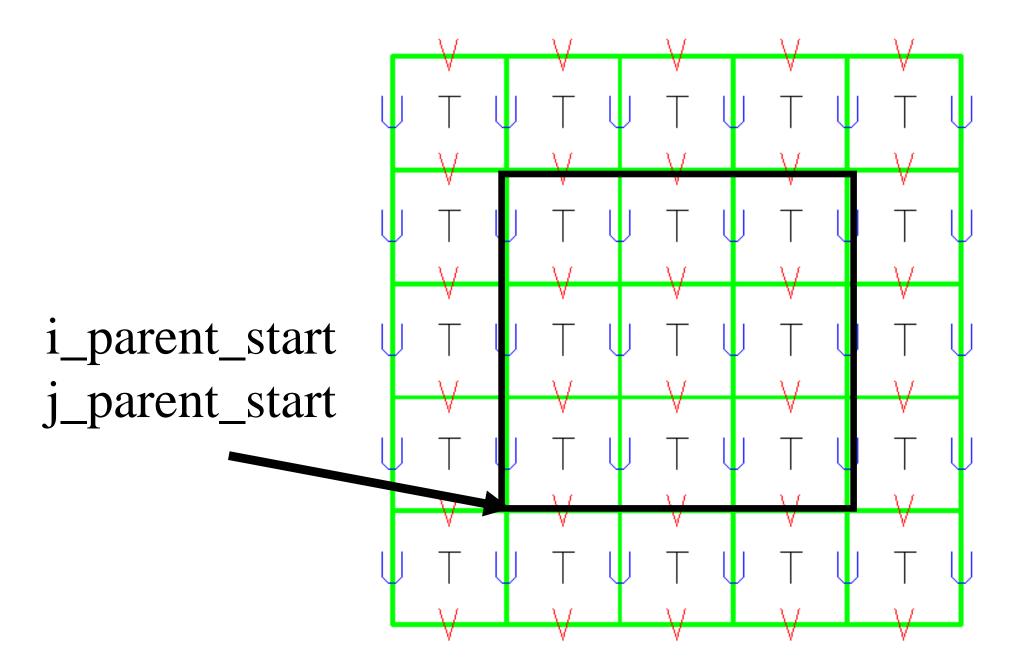
```
i_parent_start = 0, 31, 30,
j_parent_start = 0, 17, 30,
parent_grid_ratio = 1, 3, 3,
parent_time_step_ratio = 1, 3, 3,
```

Parent start refers to lower left point in nest that overlaps with coarse domain

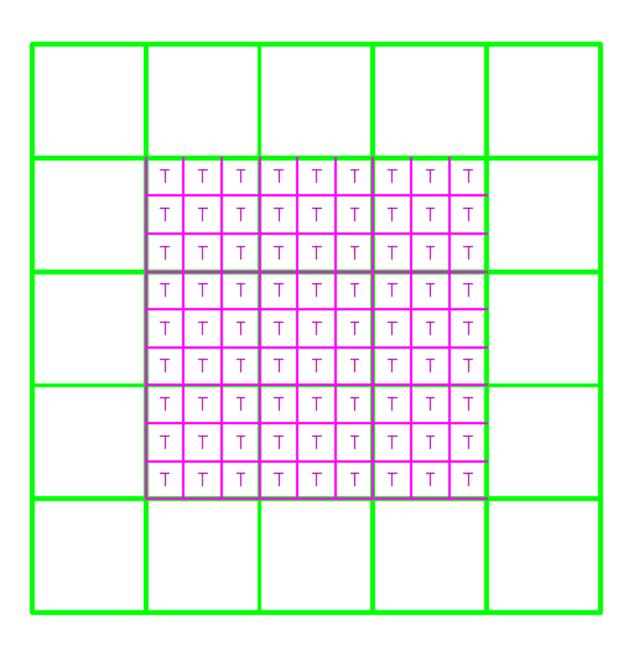
Grid and time ratios not tied to each other

WRF only

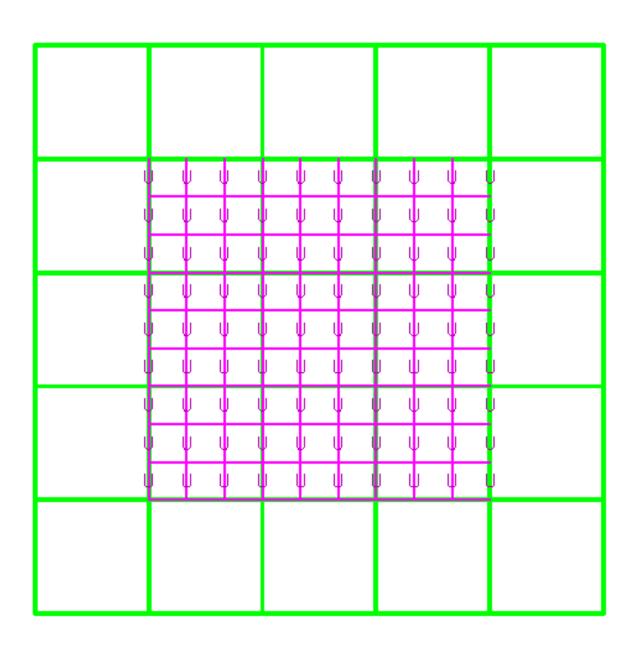
### Coarse Grid Staggering



### Fine Grid Staggering - Mass



### Fine Grid Staggering - U



```
feedback = 1,
smooth_option = 0
```

Feedback options (1 point or cell/face average) defined in Registry for each variable, on/off switch provided in namelist

Smooth options are run-time:

0= no smoothing,

1 = 1 - 2 - 1 smoother (2 directions),

2= smoother-desmoother

WRF only

## Fix namelist with run-time options physics

```
sf_surface_physics
                     = 1,
                                     1,
                           1,
num_soil_layers
                     = 5,
Or
sf_surface_physics
                     = 2,
                             2,
                                     2,
num_soil_layers
                     = 4
Or
sf_surface_physics
                     = 3,
                            3,
                     = 6,
num_soil_layers
```

real.exe uses first column only, THIS MUST BE CONSISTENT WITH THE WRF RUN

## Fix namelist with run-time options bdy\_control

```
specified = .true., .false.,.false.,
nested = .false., .true., .true.,
```

Only the first domain is ever "specified", all subsequent nested domains are "nested" real.exe uses first column only

# Link/copy SI output into correct directory

- cd ./WRFV2/test/em\_real
- ln -s \\$MOAD\_DATAROOT/siprd/wrf\_r\* .
- One SI file required for each of the boundary times (as assumed from the "interval")
- Minimum of 2 files required for a real-data forecast
- Only one domain at a time is permitted for real.exe

#### Run real.exe

- The real.exe, ndown.exe, wrf.exe are all able to run as distributed-memory parallel
- Serially:
  - ./real.exe >&! foo.out
- Parallel:

```
mpirun -np n ./real.exe
poe ./real.exe
```

 Not much processing speed is gained by parallelizing real.exe, but you can run larger domains via aggregate memory

#### Run real.exe

- Did it work? Check the stdout file
- Serially:

tail foo.out

• Parallel:

tail rsl.out.0000

• Look for "SUCCESS COMPLETE REAL\_EM INIT"

#### Files Before and After

- The input files required by real.exe are output from the SI, in netCDF
- The SI output files are usually linked into the real-data directory
- Times and dimensions are checked
- Physics options are infrequently impacted by SI output

ls \$MOAD\_DATAROOT/siprd/wrf\_r\*

#### Files Before and After

- Two output files are generated by the real.exe program: wrfinput\_d01 and wrfbdy\_d01
- Initial time in wrfinput is the initial time of the WRF forecast (from the namelist)

#### ncdump -v Times wrfinput\_d01

- Time periods from wrfbdy file cover forecast period (reported time is at the beginning of the lateral boundary interval)
- Surface physics options are impacted by physics choices selected prior to running real.exe

### Balancing and Initialization

- Mass coordinate is reference pressure based, surfaces move up and down in pressure space
- Reference state function of terrain elevation plus several constants
- Surface pressure => pressure => potential temperature => density => geopotential
- All balancing handled in ./WRFV2/dyn\_em/module\_initialize\_real.F

#### Reference State

```
p_surf = p00 * EXP (-t00/a + ((t00/a)**2
   - 2.*g*ht(i,j)/a/r_d ) **0.5 )
```

p00 – ref sea level pressure (10<sup>5</sup> Pa, fixed)

a – lapse rate (50 K, fixed)

t00 – ref sea level temperature (290 K, variable)

**ht** – terrain elevation (m)

#### Reference State

```
pb(i,k,j) = znu(k)*(p_surf - p_top) + p_top
t_init(i,k,j) = (t00 + A*LOG(pb(i,k,j)/p00))
    *(p00/pb(i,k,j))**(r_d/cp) - t0
alb(i,k,j) = (r_d/p1000mb)*(t_init(i,k,j)+t0)
    *(pb(i,k,j)/p1000mb)**cvpm
```

Reference 3d pressure, potential temperature, inverse density (defined at mass points, half levels)

#### Reference State

```
mub(i,j) = p_surf - p_top
phb(i,k,j) = phb(i,k-1,j) - dnw(k-1)
*mub(i,j)*alb(i,k-1,j)
```

Reference geopotential (full levels, k=1 defined as terrain\*g)

### Balancing

• Integrate perturbation pressure, diagnose perturbation inverse density

### Balancing

```
ph_2(i,k,j) = ph_2(i,k-1,j) - &
   dnw(k-1) * (
   (mub(i,j)+mu_2(i,j))*al(i,k-1,j) +
   mu_2(i,j)*alb(i,k-1,j) )
```

Integrate perturbation geopotential

### Initializing – Met 3D

- All moisture variables initialized automatically (only Qv on lateral boundaries for CG)
- No modifications to input horizontal velocity components (already rotated to the projection)
- Potential temperature has a constant (300 K) removed

### Initializing – Soil/Surface

- Checks for consistent land/soil and various surface fields
- Soil temperatures interpolated from input values to requested levels
- Surface and soil temperatures adjusted due to differences in terrain elevation

### Program Flow

• Code browser

### Run Through Test Case

- Download
- Build
- Edit namelist
- Copy SI files for input
- Run
- Check if OK

#### (as close as possible, Klingon for finis)

