# WRF and WPS: Compile

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\*First need to compile WRF and then WPS

## System Requirements

Required libraries (WRF and WPS):

- FORTRAN 90/95 compiler
- C compiler
- Perl
- netCDF
- NCAR Graphics (optional, but recommended used by graphical utility programs)

Optional libraries\* for GRIB2 support (in WPS):

- JasPer (JPEG 2000 "lossy" compression library)
- PNG ("lossless" compression library)
- zlib (compression library used by PNG

\*Installation of these libraries is **NOT** part of the WPS installation script

### Installing WRF

- 1. Download source code
- 2. Set environment
- 3. Configure and Compile WRF

## 1. Download WRF Source Code

- The WRF source code can be obtained from: http://www.mmm.ucar.edu/wrf/users/download/get\_source.html
  - Click 'New Users', register and download, or
  - Click 'Returning User', enter email and download
- Both the ARW and NMM cores are included in: *WRFV3.3.1.TAR.gz* (or the latest release available)
- After *gunzip* and *untar: tar –zxvf WRFV3.3.1.TAR.gz*
- look for a directory: WRFV3/ cd to WRFV3/ directory

### WRFV3 Directory

	Makefile	Top-level makefile
	README	General information about WRF code
	<b>README.NMM</b>	NMM specific information
	<b>README.rsl_output</b>	Describes options for RSL output files
Data dictionary $\rightarrow$ Compile rules $\rightarrow$ Compile scripts	<b>README</b> test cases	Explanation of the test cases for ARW
	Registry/	Directory for WRF Registry file
	arch/	Directory where compile options are gathered
	clean	script to clean created files and executables
	compile	script for compiling WRF code
	configure	script to configure the configure.wrf file for compile
	dyn_em	Directory for ARW dynamic modules
	dyn_exp/	Directory for a 'toy' dynamic core
	dyn_nmm/	Directory for NMM dynamic modules
	external/	Directory that contains external packages, such as
		those for IO, time keeping and MPI
Source )	frame/	Directory that contains modules for WRF framework
code $\prec$	inc/	Directory that contains include files
directories	main/	Directory for main routines, such as wrf.F, and all
		executables
	phys/	Directory for all physics modules
	share/	Directory that contains mostly modules for WRF
		mediation layer and WRF I/O
	tools/	Directory that contains tools
D	run/	Directory where one may run WRF
Run →	test/	Directory containing sub-directories where one may
directories		run specific configurations of WRF.

2. Set environment

• If the *netCDF* is not in the standard */usr/local* then set the **NETCDF** environment variable before typing *'./configure'*:

Example: setenv NETCDF /usr/local/netcdf-pgi

- WRF needs both the *lib* and *include* directories
- As a general rule for LINUX systems, make sure the *netCDF* and *MPI* libraries are installed using the same compiler (PGI, Intel, g95) that will be used to compile WRF.

#### Set environment, cont.

- Most of these settings are not required, but if difficulties are encountered you may want to try:
  - unset limits
    - Especially if you are on a small system
  - setenv MP\_STACK\_SIZE 64000000
    - OpenMP blows through the stack size, set it large
  - setenv OMP\_NUM\_THREADS n (where n is the number of processors to use)
    - For systems with OpenMP installed, this is how the number of threads is specified
  - *setenv MPICH\_F90 f90* (Or whatever FORTRAN compiler may be called)

3. Configuring WRF

• To create a WRF configuration file for your computer, type:

./configure

- This script checks the system hardware and software, and then offers the user choices for configuring WRF:
  - Type of compiler
  - Serial, OpenMP, or MPI
  - Type of nesting (basic, preset moves, vortex following)

#### SAMPLE: List of Configure Options

# **Choices for IBM machines look like:**

Please select from among the following supported platforms.

- 1. AIX xlf compiler with xlc (serial)
- 2. AIX xlf compiler with xlc (smpar)
- 3. AIX xlf compiler with xlc (dmpar)
- 4. AIX xlf compiler with xlc (dm+sm)

#### SAMPLE: List of Configure Options

#### **Choices for 64-bit LINUX machines might look like:**

Please select from among the following supported platforms.

- 1. Linux x86\_64, PGI compiler with gcc (serial)
- 2. Linux x86\_64, PGI compiler with gcc (smpar)
- 3. Linux x86\_64, PGI compiler with gcc (dmpar)
- 4. Linux x86\_64, PGI compiler with gcc (dm+sm)
- 5. Linux x86\_64, PGI accelerator compiler with gcc (serial)
- 6. Linux x86\_64, PGI accelerator compiler with gcc (smpar)
- 7. Linux x86\_64, PGI accelerator compiler with gcc (dmpar)
- 8. Linux x86\_64, PGI accelerator compiler with gcc (dm+sm)
- 9. Linux x86\_64 i486 i586 i686, ifort compiler with icc (serial)
- 10. Linux x86\_64 i486 i586 i686, ifort compiler with icc (smpar)
- 11. Linux x86\_64 i486 i586 i686, ifort compiler with icc (dmpar)
- 12. Linux x86\_64 i486 i586 i686, ifort compiler with icc (dm+sm)
- 13. Linux i486 i586 i686 x86\_64, PathScale compiler with pathcc (serial)
- 14. Linux i486 i586 i686 x86\_64, PathScale compiler with pathcc (dmpar)
- 15. x86\_64 Linux, gfortran compiler with gcc (serial)
- 16. x86\_64 Linux, gfortran compiler with gcc (smpar)
- 17. x86\_64 Linux, gfortran compiler with gcc (dmpar)
- 18. x86\_64 Linux, gfortran compiler with gcc (dm+sm)1dmpar)

List of Configure Options – Part 2

Compile for nesting? (0=no nesting, 1=basic, 2=preset moves, 3=vortex following) [default 0]:

# **Choices for Nesting are:**

- 0. no nesting (only available for serial and smpar)
- 1. basic
- 2. preset moves
- 3. vortex following
- default is option 0 for serial/smpar, 1 for dmpar
- in addition, if running NMM with nesting:
  setenv WRF\_NMM\_NEST 1

## Configuring WRF, cont.

- The ./configure command will create a file called configure.wrf
  - This file contains compilation options, rules, etc. specific to your computer and can be edited to change compile options, if desired, to test or adjust settings.
  - This file is overwritten each time "configure" is run. Any edits will be lost, unless they are made in the *arch*/\* files

# Configuration File

- The *configure.wrf* file is built from three pieces within the *arch* directory
  - 1. preamble\_new: uniform requirement for the code, such as maximum number of domains, word size, etc.
  - **2. configure\_new.defaults**: selection of compiler, parallel, communication layer
    - User edits if a change to the compilation options or library locations is needed
  - 3. postamble\_new: standard make rules and dependencies
  - The *arch/configure\_new.defaults* file can be edited to add a new option if needed.

# Sample *configure.wrf*

# Settings for Linux i486 i586 i686, PGI compiler with gcc (dmpar)

DMPARALLEL	=	1
SFC	=	pgf90
SCC	=	gcc
DM_FC	=	mpif90 -f90=\$(SFC)
DM_CC	=	mpicc -cc=\$(SCC) -DMPI2_SUPPORT
FC	=	\$(DM_FC)
CC	=	\$(DM_CC) -DFSEEKO64_OK
LD	=	\$(FC)
RWORDSIZE	=	\$(NATIVE_RWORDSIZE)
FCOPTIM	=	-O2 -fast
FCNOOPT	=	-00
FCDEBUG	=	# -g \$(FCNOOPT)

#### **Compiling WRF**

First set *one* core environment variable to 1:
 ARW: *setenv WRF\_EM\_CORE 1* NMM: *setenv WRF\_NMM\_CORE 1*

*Note: If neither of these environment variables are set, the default is to compile <i>ARW*.

In addition, if running NMM with nesting: *setenv WRF\_NMM\_NEST 1* 

#### **Compiling WRF**

Type the following command to compile:
 ./compile test\_case >& compile\_wrf.log
 where test\_case is one of the following:



help message

Compiling ARW: Idealized Cases

- If the choosen ideal case compilation is successful, it will create two executables under main/:
  - ✓ *ideal.exe*: used for ARW initialization of ideal cases.
  - *√ wrf.exe*: used for ARW model integration.
- These executables will be linked to the specific test/em\_test\_case and run directories.

Compiling WRF: Real Data Case

- If the real data case compilation is successful:
  - ARW: creates four executables in the *main*/directory: *real.exe*: used for initialization of real data cases. *wrf.exe*: used for model integration. *ndown.exe*: used for one-way nesting *nup.exe* (not used much)
  - NMM: creates two executables in the *main*/ directory:
    *real\_nmm.exe*: used for initialization of real data cases.
    *wrf.exe*: used for model integration.
- These executables will be linked to either *test/ em\_real* or *test/nmm\_real* and *run/* directories.

### **Clean Compilation**

• To remove all object files (except those in *external/*) and executables, type:

#### clean

• To remove all built files, including *configure.wrf*, type:

#### clean –a

- ➢ Recommended if
  - compilation failed
  - registry changed
  - want to compile different dynamic core
  - want to change configuration file (i.e. select a different compiler, options, etc)

### Compiling both WRF cores

Using two different WRFV3 directory trees Set environment variables for each and configure and compile as usual

#### Using the same WRFV3 directory tree

Core "A"

- Set environment
- Configure, compile
- Save main/wrf.exe to main/wrf\_coreA.exe
- Copy *main/\*exe* to a temporary location outside of WRFV3/

#### clean –a

Core "B"

- Set environment
- Configure, compile
- Save wrf.exe to wrf\_coreB.exe

Move Core "A" **\*exe's** from temporary location back to *WRFV3/main* (and to *test/ test\_case/* if you run there)

## **Installing WPS**

- 1. Download static terrestrial data
- 2. Download source code
- 3. Set environment
- 4. Configure and Compile WPS

*Reminder:* A successful compilation of WRF is required prior to WPS compilation!

Download Static Terrestrial Data

• The terrestrial fields interpolated by *geogrid* may be downloaded from same page as the code:

http://www.mmm.ucar.edu/wrf/users/download/get\_source.html

– Two options for data: low-res and all resolutions

• Data are static: only need to be downloaded once

#### Download Static Terrestrial Data, Cont.

- The *geog.tar.gz* file (all resolutions) contains:
  - *albedo\_ncep* monthly surface albedo
  - greenfrac monthly vegetation fraction
  - *islope* slope index
  - *landuse* land use category (30", 2', 5', and 10' res.)
  - *maxsnowalb* maximum snow albedo (30", 2', 5', and 10' res.)
  - modis\_landuse\_20class\_30s MODIS landuse (Noah LSM only)
  - *orogwd* data for gravity wave drag schemes
  - *soiltemp* annual mean deep soil temperature (30", 2', 5', and 10' res.)
  - *soiltype\_bot* bottom-layer soil type (30", 2', 5', and 10' res.)
  - *soiltype\_top* top-layer soil type (30", 2', 5', and 10' res.)
  - *topo* topography height (30", 2', 5', and 10' res.)

Download Static Terrestrial Data, Cont.

- Uncompress the data into a directory with ~10 GB of available space (264 MB for low-res only)
  *tar -zxvf geog.tar.gz*
- Data can be shared by users on the same machine by placing files in a common directory

### Download WPS Source Code

- The WPS source code can be obtained from: http://www.mmm.ucar.edu/wrf/users/download/get\_source.html
- WPS is designed to work with WRF
  - WPS programs use WRF I/O API libraries to do file input and output
  - These I/O libraries are built when WRF is installed
- For simplicity, install WPS/ in the same location as WRFV3/
- After *gunzip* and *untar*, should see a directory WPS/ *tar –zxvf WPSV3.3.1.TAR.gz* (or the latest release available)

*ls* WPS/ WRFV3/

• *cd* to WPS/ directory

## Configure WPS

- To create a WPS configuration file for your computer, type: *./configure*
- This script offers the user choices for configuring WPS:
  - Type of compiler
  - Serial or Distributed memory
  - GRIB1 or GRIB2
- To use GRIB2 data, additional libraries are needed: setenv JASPERINC /usr/local/jasper/include setenv JASPERLIB /usr/local/jasper/lib
- The ./*configure* command will create a file called *configure.wps*

## List of WPS Configure Options

Will use NETCDF in dir: /usr/local/netcdf-pgi

\$JASPERLIB or \$JASPERINC not found in environment, configuring to build without grib2 I/O...

Please select from among the following supported platforms.

- PC Linux i486 i586 i686, PGI compiler
  PC Linux i486 i586 i686, Intel compiler
- serial, NO GRIB2 serial DM parallel, NO GRIB2 DM parallel serial, NO GRIB2 serial DM parallel, NO GRIB2 DM parallel serial, NO GRIB2 serial

Enter selection [1-10] : 1

Configuration successful. To build the WPS, type: compile

### **Compile WPS**

- If configuration was successful, compile WPS:
  ./compile >& compile\_wps.log
- If the compilation is successful, it will create three executables:
  - ✓ *geogrid.exe*: define size/location of domain(s)
  - ✓ ungrib.exe: extract meteorological fields from GRIB files
  - *metgrid.exe*: horizontally interpolate meteorological fields (from *ungrib*) to simulation grid(s) (defined by *geogrid*)

## Compile WPS, Cont.

- If compilation is successful, it will create the following executables in *util/*:
  - ✓ avg\_tsfc.exe
  - ✓ g1print.exe
  - ✓ g2print.exe
  - ✓ mod\_levs.exe
  - ✓ rd\_intermediate.exe
  - ✓ calc\_ecmwf\_p.exe
- If NCAR Graphics libraries are available it will also create in *util/*:
  - ✓ plotgrids.exe
  - ✓ plotfmt.exe
  - Each of these utilities are described in more detail in the WPS Overview talk

# Sharing WPS Installation

- A single build of WPS will work for both ARW and NMM core
- Multiple users may share a single installation of the WPS; not every user needs to install
  - Make WPS installation directory read-only
  - Each user will run WPS programs in their own working directories
  - Output files created in user working directories

## Additional Resources

- For more detailed information on installation of WRF and WPS, please see:
  - ARW and NMM Users Guides
  - Online Users Pages:
    - **ARW:** *http://www.mmm.ucar.edu/wrf/users/*
    - **NMM:** *http://www.dtcenter.org/wrf-nmm/users/*
- For further assistance regarding WRF and WPS:
  - WRF Users Forum: http://forum.wrfforum.com
  - WRF Email list: wrf\_users@ucar.edu
  - WRF Help email: *wrfhelp@ucar.edu*