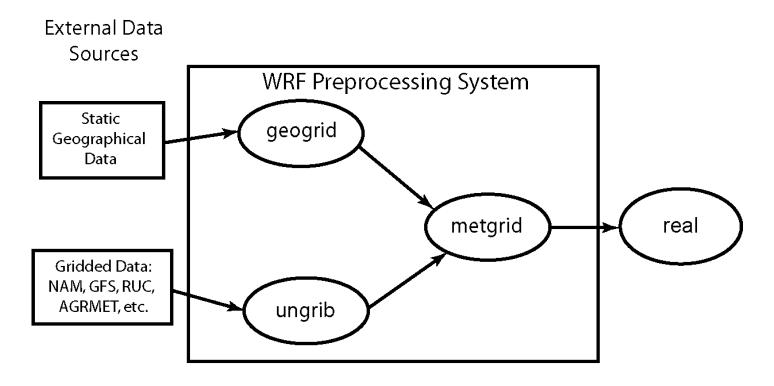
Review

Briefly recall the programs in the WPS





Review

- geogrid (think geographical)
 - ☑ Define size/location of model domains and interpolate static terrestrial fields to simulation grids
- ungrib (think <u>un+grib</u>)
- metgrid (think meteorological)
 - Mathematical Horizontally interpolate meteorological fields (from ungrib) to simulation grids (defined by geogrid)



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STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

For geogrid, only the &share and &geogrid namelists need to be edited in namelist.wps

&share

```
wrf_core = 'ARW',
max_dom = 2,
io_form_geogrid = 2,
/
```

&geogrid

```
parent_id
parent_grid_ratio = 1,
i_parent_start = 1,
                          20,
j_parent_start = 1, 17,
      = 220, 181,
e_we
e_sn = 175, 181,
geog_data_res = '5m', '2m',
dx = 15000,
dy = 1500
map_proj = 'lambert',
ref_lat = 37.0,
                = 15000,
ref_lon = -97.0,
truelat1 = 45.0.
truelat2 = 30.0,
stand Ion
           = -97.0.
geog_data_path = '/data/static/geog/'
```



STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

&share

wrf_core = 'ARW',

max_dom = 2,

io_form_geogrid = 2,

Which WRF core? For ARW, set to 'ARW' For NMM, set to 'NMM'

Total number of model domains, including nests, for ARW; number of nesting levels for NMM.

Format for geogrid output files; 2=netCDF is recommended.

See p. 3-8 and 3-37



STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

&geogrid

```
parent_id = 1, 1, 1, parent_grid_ratio = 1, 3, i_parent_start = 1, 20, j_parent_start = 1, 17,
```

e_we = 220, 181, e_sn = 175, 181, dx = 15000, dy = 15000,

geog_data_res = '5m', '2m',

. . .

See p. 3-9, 3-19, and 3-38

Nesting: Who is the parent? What is the grid ratio for each nest? Where is it located in its parent?

Domain sizes: How many grid points does the domain have? What is the grid spacing?

Static data: What resolution of source data to interpolate from for each domain?

'30s', '2m', '5m', or '10m'?



STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

&geogrid

. . .

```
map_proj = 'lambert',

ref_lat = 37.0,

ref_lon = -97.0,

truelat1 = 45.0,

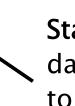
truelat2 = 30.0,

stand_lon = -97.0,
```

Map projection: What projection to use? What are the parameters of the projection?

See p. 3-9 and 3-40

geog_data_path = '/data/static/geog/'



Static data: Where are the data directories (e.g., topo_30s) located?

See p. 3-41



STEP 2: Make sure GEOGRID.TBL is linked to the correct version of GEOGRID.TBL

- There are multiple GEOGRID.TBL files to support multiple dynamical cores in WRF
- GEOGRID.TBL.ARW must be used for ARW
- GEOGRID.TBL.NMM must be used for NMM

> ls geogrid/GEOGRID.TBL

GEOGRID.TBL -> GEOGRID.TBL.ARW



STEP 3: Run geogrid.exe

Parsed 11 entries in GEOGRID.TBL

Processing domain 1 of 2

Processing XLAT and XLONG

Processing MAPFAC

Processing F and E

Processing ROTANG

Processing LANDUSEF

Calculating landmask from LANDUSEF

Processing HGT_M

Successful completion of geogrid.

Geogrid processes each domain individually.
There will be one section of messages for each domain.

Calculating landmask from LANDUSEF
Processing HGT_M

will be written to the screen and to the screen and to the screen field is processed, a message will be written to the screen and to the geogrid.log file.

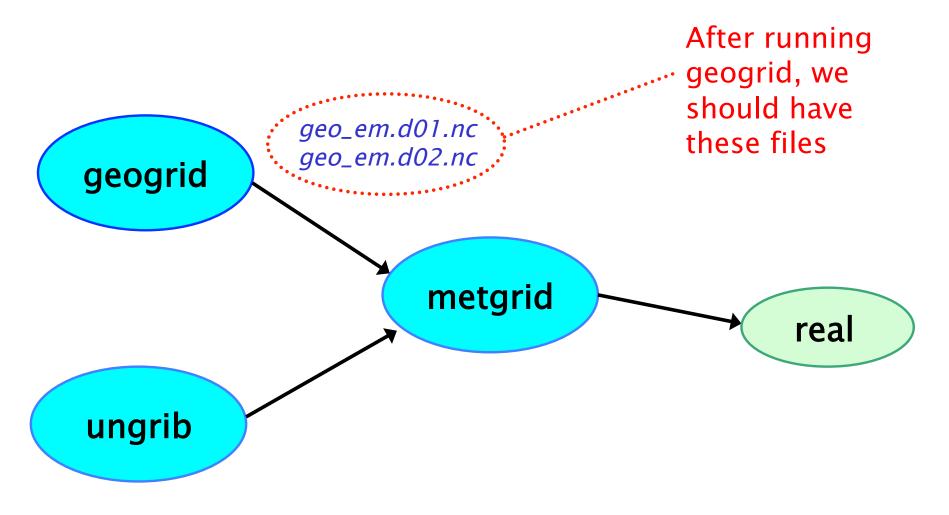


STEP 4: Check that geogrid ran successfully

If geogrid ran sucessfully, this message should be printed:

If there was an error, check for an ERROR or WARNING message in the geogrid.log file, or for a system error, like "Segmentation fault".







STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

For ungrib, only the &share and &ungrib namelists need to be edited

&share

```
wrf_core = 'ARW',
max_dom = 2,
start_date = '2006-04-01_00:00:00',
end_date = '2006-04-01_12:00:00',
interval_seconds = 21600
io_form_geogrid = 2,
```

&ungrib

```
out_format = 'WPS',
prefix = 'GFS',
/
```



STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

&share

```
wrf_core = 'ARW',
max_dom = 2,
```

```
start_date = '2006-04-01\_00:00:00', end_date = '2006-04-01\_12:00:00',
```

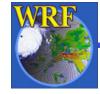
 $interval_seconds = 21600$

io_form_geogrid = 2,

Data time range: Between which times should ungrib process GRIB data?

Data frequency: How many seconds between output files for ungrib? E.g., 10800 s = 3 hrs

See p. 3-14, and 3-38



STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

Intermediate file format: Which format to use for intermediate files? 'WPS', 'SI', or 'MM5' are possible; 'WPS' is recommended.

Intermediate file names: Gives prefix for intermediate files.

Prefix can include a path.

E.g., 'XZY' would give intermediate files named XYZ: yyyy-mm-dd_hh.



See p. 3-14, 3-23, and 3-41

STEP 2: Link the correct Vtable to the file name "Vtable" in the run directory

 Some Vtables are provided with WPS in the wps/ ungrib/Variable_Tables directory

☑ E.g., Vtable.GFS, Vtable.SST, Vtable.ECMWF

See p. 3-15

- Ungrib always expects to find a file named
 Vtable in the run directory
 - > In -s ungrib/Variable_Tables/Vtable.GFS Vtable
 - > Is Vtable

Vtable -> ungrib/Variable_Tables/Vtable.GFS



STEP 3: Link GRIB files to the correct file names in the run directory

- Ungrib always expects GRIB files to be named GRIBFILE.AAA, GRIBFILE.AAB, GRIBFILE.AAC, etc., in the run directory
- The link_grib.csh script can be used to link GRIB files to these file names:
 - > link_grib.csh /data/GRIB/GFS/gfs*

See p. 3-15

> Is GRIBFILE.*

GRIBFILE.AAA -> /data/GRIB/GFS/gfs_060401_00_00



STEP 4: Run ungrib.exe

Inventory for date = 2006-08-16 12:00:00

PRES	TT	UU	VV	RH	HGT	
2013.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001.0	X	X	X	X	0	X
1000.0	X	X	X	X	X	
975.0	X	X	X	X	X	
950.0	X	X	X	X	X	
925.0	X	X	X	X	X	
900.0	X	X	X	X	X	



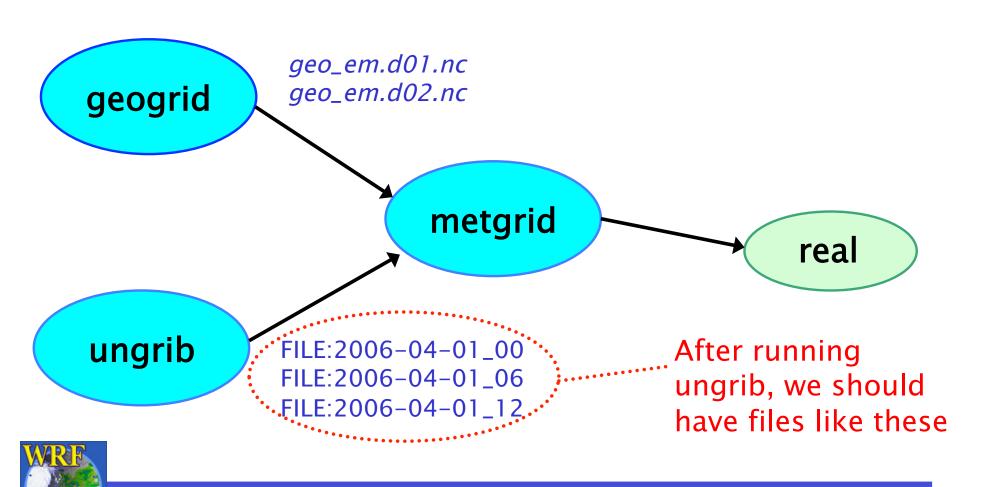
STEP 5: Check that ungrib ran successfully

If ungrib ran successfully, this message should be printed:

If there was an error, check for error message in ungrib's printout or in the ungrid.log file.

Common errors are related to incorrect date specifications in the &share namelist, or because GRIB2 data was used with a version of WPS compiled without GRIB2 libraries.





STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

For metgrid, only the &share and &metgrid namelists need to be edited

```
&share
```



STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

&share

```
wrf_core = 'ARW',
max_dom = 2,
```

```
interval_seconds = 21600 io_form_geogrid = 2,
```

Data time range: Time range to process for each domain. Usually, only the initial time is needed for ARW nested domains.

See p. 3-17 and 3-37



STEP 1: Edit namelist.wps

Intermediate file prefixes: Prefix (or prefixes) of intermediate files to interpolate to model domain. Should match prefix given to ungrib.

&metgrid

constants_name = 'SST:2006-04-01_00',

 $io_form_metgrid = 2$,

See p. 3-17 and 3-24

Constant fields: Optional name of an intermediate file with fields to be used for every time period.

Metgrid I/O format: Which I/O format to use for metgrid output? 2=netCDF is recommended.

See p. 3-17, and 3-41



STEP 2: Make sure METGRID.TBL is linked to the correct version of METGRID.TBL

- There are multiple METGRID.TBL files to support multiple dynamical cores in WRF
- METGRID.TBL.ARW should be used for ARW
- METGRID.TBL.NMM should be used for NMM

> ls metgrid/METGRID.TBL

METGRID.TBL -> METGRID.TBL.ARW



STEP 3: Run metgrid.exe

```
Processing domain 1 of 2 SST:2006-04-01_00
```

```
Processing 2006-04-01_00

GFS

Processing 2006-04-01_06

GFS

Processing 2006-04-01_12

GFS
```

Processing domain 2 of 2 SST:2006-04-01_00 Processing 2006-04-01_00 GFS

111111111111111111111111111111111

Fields from constant files
(given using constants_name)
are processed before any time
varying fields.

Metgrid processes all time period for one domain before processing for the next domain

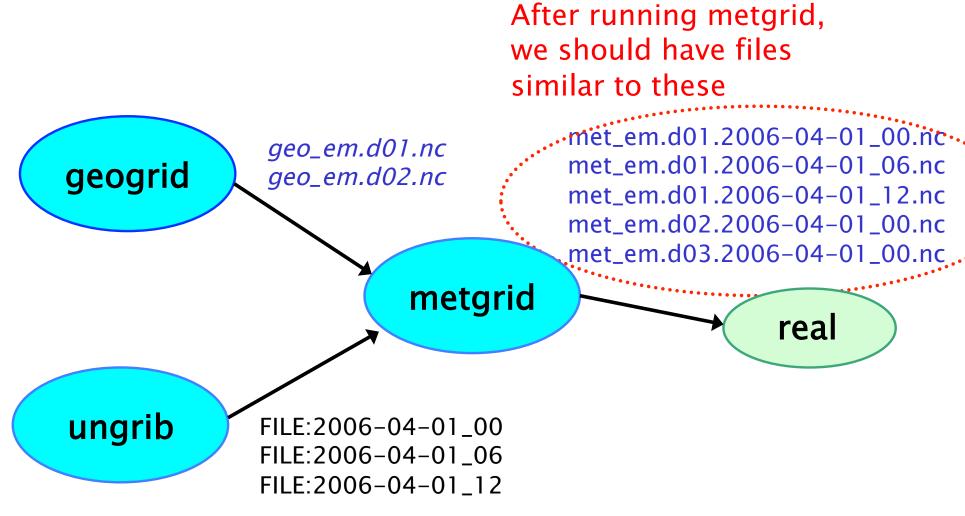


STEP 4: Check that metgrid ran successfully

If metgrid ran successfully, this message should be printed:

If there was an error, check for an ERROR or WARNING message in the metgrid.log file, or for a system error, like "Segmentation fault".







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WPS Utility Programs

- Besides geogrid, ungrib, and metgrid, some simple utility programs are distributed with WPS:
 - For checking contents of intermediate format files
 - For listing contents of GRIB1 & GRIB2 files
 - To assist in locating domains
 - For computing 3d pressure field for ECMWF data
- Some programs use NCAR Graphics libraries for plotting
 - For these utilities, NCAR Graphics must be installed



See p. 3-27

WPS Utility Programs

The utility programs that come with WPS can be helpful when diagnosing problems with WPS output

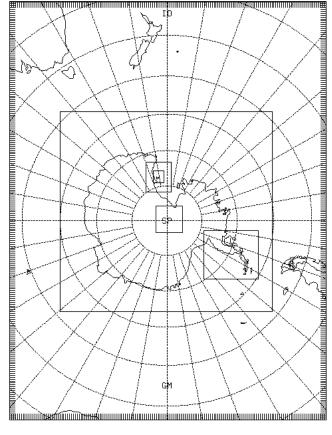
- All utilities are found in the wps/util directory
- Users are encouraged to make use of these utilities to examine WPS input and output files



Utility: plotgrids

The *plotgrids* program plots the locations of grids defined in *namelist.wps*

- plotgrids can be used to iteratively refine the locations of grids.
- plotgrids uses the namelist.wps file only, so there is no need to run geogrid first!





Utility: rd_intermediate

The rd_intermediate lists information about the fields found in an intermediate-format file

```
FIELD = TT

UNITS = K DESCRIPTION = Temperature

DATE = 2000-01-24_12:00:00 FCST = 0.000000

SOURCE = unknown model from NCEP GRID 212

LEVEL = 200100.000000

I,J DIMS = 185, 129

IPROJ = 1

REF_X, REF_Y = 1.000000, 1.000000

REF_LAT, REF_LON = 12.190000, -133.459000

DX, DY = 40.635250, 40.635250

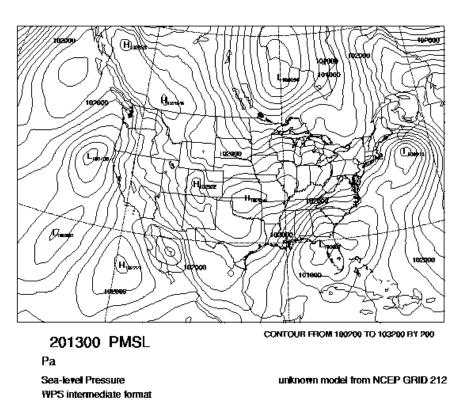
TRUELAT1 = 25.000002

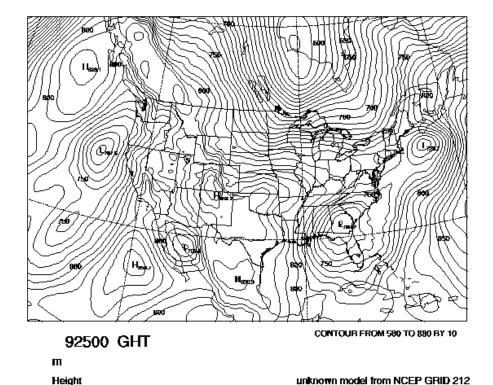
DATA(1,1)=295.910950
```



Utility: plotfmt

The plotfmt program plots the fields in the ungrib intermediate-formatted files







WPS intermediate format

Utility: g1print and g2print

The *g1print* and *g2print* programs list the contents of a GRIB1 or GRIB2 file:

	Prod Disc	Cat	Param num	Lvl code	Lvl one	Lvl two	Name	Time	Fcst hour
1	0	3	5	100	100000	0	HGT	2006-08-16 12:00:00	00
2	0	3	5	100	97500	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00
3	0	3	5	100	95000	0	HGT	2006-08-16 12:00:00	00
4	0	3	5	100	92500	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00
5	0	3	5	100	90000	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00
6	0	3	5	100	85000	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00
7	0	3	5	100	80000	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00
8	0	3	5	100	75000	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00
9	0	3	5	100	70000	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00
10	0	3	5	100	65000	0	HGT	2006-08-16_12:00:00	00



Utility: calc_ecmwf_p

The calc_ecmwf_p utility creates intermediate files with a pressure (and possibly GHT and RH) field

FILE:2009-08-27 00

PSFC / LOGSFP SOILHGT / SOILGEO TT SPECHUMD

calc_ecmwf_p.exe

PRES:2009-08-27_00

PRESSURE RH GHT

emcwf_coeffs

0	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000	
1	2.000040	0.000000	0.0200	0.0100
2	3.980832	0.000000	0.0398	0.0299
3	7.387186	0.000000	0.0739	0.0568
4	12.908319	0.000000	0.1291	0.1015
5	21.413612	0.000000	0.2141	0.1716
6	33.952858	0.000000	0.3395	0.2768
7	51.746601	0.000000	0.5175	0.4285
8	76.167656	0.000000	0.7617	0.6396
9	108.715561	0.000000	1.0872	0.9244

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Common WPS Mistakes

1) All 3-d fields must have same number of levels in metgrid

```
WRF_DEBUG: Warning DIM 4 , NAME

num_metgrid_levels REDIFINED by var GHT 27

26 in wrf_io.F90 line 2347

ERROR: Error in ext_pkg_write_field
```

- This is usually corrected by ensuring that all 3-d meteorological fields have surface level data
- Try setting debug_level=1000 in &share namelist, and checking metgrid.log for a table showing which fields are available at each level



Common WPS Mistakes

- 2) When using a regional data set (e.g., NAM), ensure that model domain is completely covered by the data
 - The metgrid program will stop if the model domain has grid points that are not covered by data
- 3) For native vertical coordinate data sets (e.g., RUCb, ECMWF), ensure that both pressure and geopotential height fields are available



Questions?

