New Developments for WRF/Chem

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Many national and international collaborators Main contributors for chemistry part so far: NOAA, PNNL, NCAR



WRF/chem –what was in V2.1?

- ARW only
- Online
- Chemical mechanisms: RADM
- Online photolysis: Madronich
- Aerosols: Modal (MADE/SORGAM)
- Biogenic emissions: Gunther, BEIS3.09
- Feedback direct effect: only very simplified with Dudhia radiation

Real-time AQ forecasts with WRF/Chem since 2002



WRF/chem –where are we with V2.1.2?

PNNL Additions

- New chemical mechanisms: CBMZ
- New online photolysis: Fast-j
- Aerosols: sectional (4 or 8 bins) MOSAIC
- Feedback direct effect: Mie theory for optical aerosol properties. Currently for MOSAIC/ Goddard shortwave radiation coupling only
- 2-way nesting
- Restarts

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WRF/chem –where are we with V2.1.2?

PNNL-Technical changes

- Emissions options to simplify use of emissions data sets
- Options for boundary and initial condition profiles
- Option to run the model in tracer mode only (emissions, resolved and unresolved transport)



WRF/chem –where are we with V2.1.2 ? *Some more substantial "feature" corrections*Fixed various deposition bugs
Fixed some parameterized convective transport issues



WRF/chem –V2.1.2 x

Code already available, very soon in repository
 CMAQ aqueous phase module in convective transport routine for wet deposition of gases and aerosols

 Direct connection of convective parameterization with photolysis (always) and short wave radiation (by choice)

Real-time AQ forecasts with WRF/Chem with V2.1.2× this summer



WRF/chem –V2.1.2x or V2.2

*Code already available, not thoroughly tested*Cloud aerosol interaction (Goddard short wave, Lin et al. Microphysics, sectional aerosols)
See talk 6.3 Gustafson et al.
NMM core



WRF/chem – V2.1.2x or V2.2

Code already available, not tested KPP automatic generation tool for chemical mechanisms and their adjoints (currently with RACM-MIM and RACM equation files, no adjoints) See talk 6.4 by Marc Salzmann CMAQ modules: Carbon Bond Mechansim (CB05), MADRID sectional aerosols ■ See talk 6.2 by Huang et al.



WRF/chem – V2.2, V2.3?

- Coupled SMOKE emissions model
 See talk 6.5 by John McHenry and Carlie Coats
- Offline version
- Boundary conditions from Global chemistry model (already available, but....)
- Urban canopy model (courtesy of Alberto Martilli and Rainer Schmitz)
- Official community support from NOAA/ESRL/GSD (will include better documentation and tutorials)



Use of chemical data from GCM for boundary conditions



Urban parameterization -2D WRF/Chem simulation (Martilli *et al.*, 2002)



•MYJ scheme

- •Drag approach for momentum (u and v) and TKE
- Shadowing and radiative trapping effect for sensible heat

Provided by Rainer Schmitz, University of Chile

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Urban classes are represened by:

• average building width



WRF/chem – the future

- 3dvar/4dvar
 - collaboration between WRF-Var and chemical 4dvar data assimilation group will start (meeting today at lunch time)
 - Possibly extension of GSI to include 3dvar for some species
- Global model version (possibly as early as this Fall!!)
- More CMAQ modules
- Real-time fire emissions
- Dust parameterizations (several groups)
- More aerosol microphysics interaction packages
- Simple aerosol package
- Improvements on KPP implementation
- Different advection scheme
- Efficiency work on NMM-WRF/Chem



Future development plans, currently in WRAB doc:

- Computational efficiency (monotonic, conserving), possibly other technical changes, more aerosl-micropohys
- Advanced data assimilation methods
- Full implementation of KPP
- Collaboration with WRV-Var, REGCLIM, LSM, Physics WG's

How can we improve the current model

Physics improvements - pbl

What else is needed for "futuristic" developments

Upgrade dry deposition to link with LSM through canopy conductance, PBL higher order closures

