

Global Modeling/Assimilation Theme Presentation

**Review Icosahedral Global Models
Development /Overview NIM
(non-hydrostatic Icos-model)**

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Outline of this talk

- ESRL's goal for icosahedral global models
- Icosahedral models development plan
- Status of FIM and NIM
- Conclusion and future outlook

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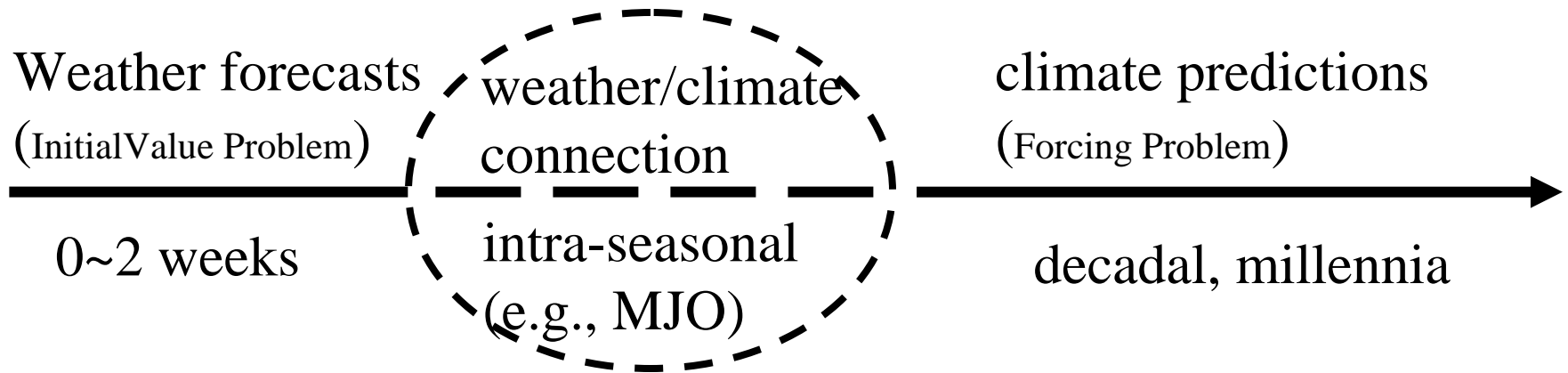


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Modeling goal: to develop a non-hydrostatic global cloud resolving model (*GCRM*) for *weather* and *climate* predictions through collaborations among OAR labs and others.

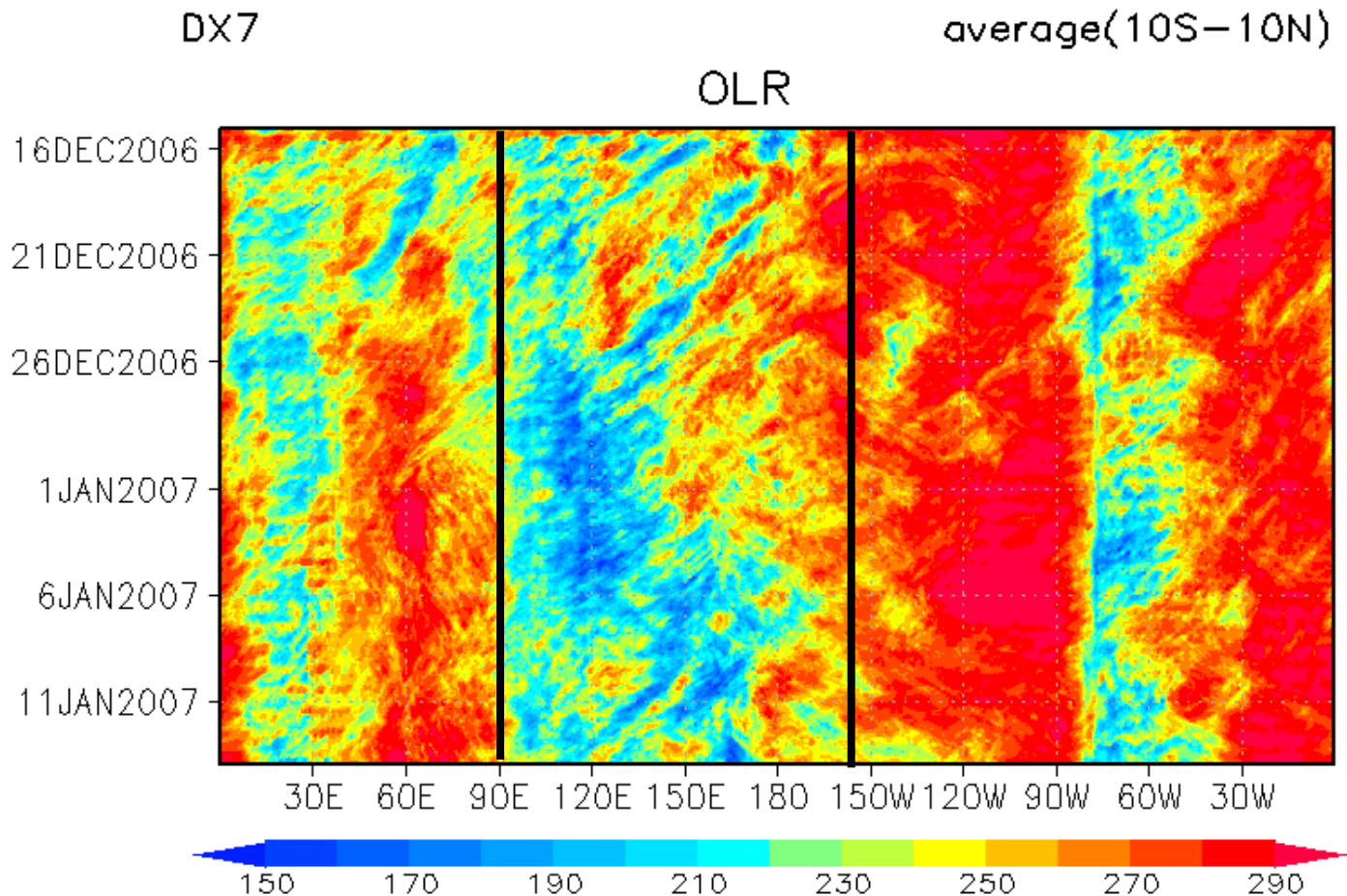


- What's GCRM ?
-> A global model with $dx \sim O(\text{km})$ to “explicitly resolve” convective precip, especially tropical convective clouds.
- Why? -> to avoid uncertainty in cumulus parameterizations.



OLR Hovmoller showing MJO simulation

NICAM dx=3.5/km7km
(Non-hydrostatic ICosahedral Atmospheric Model)



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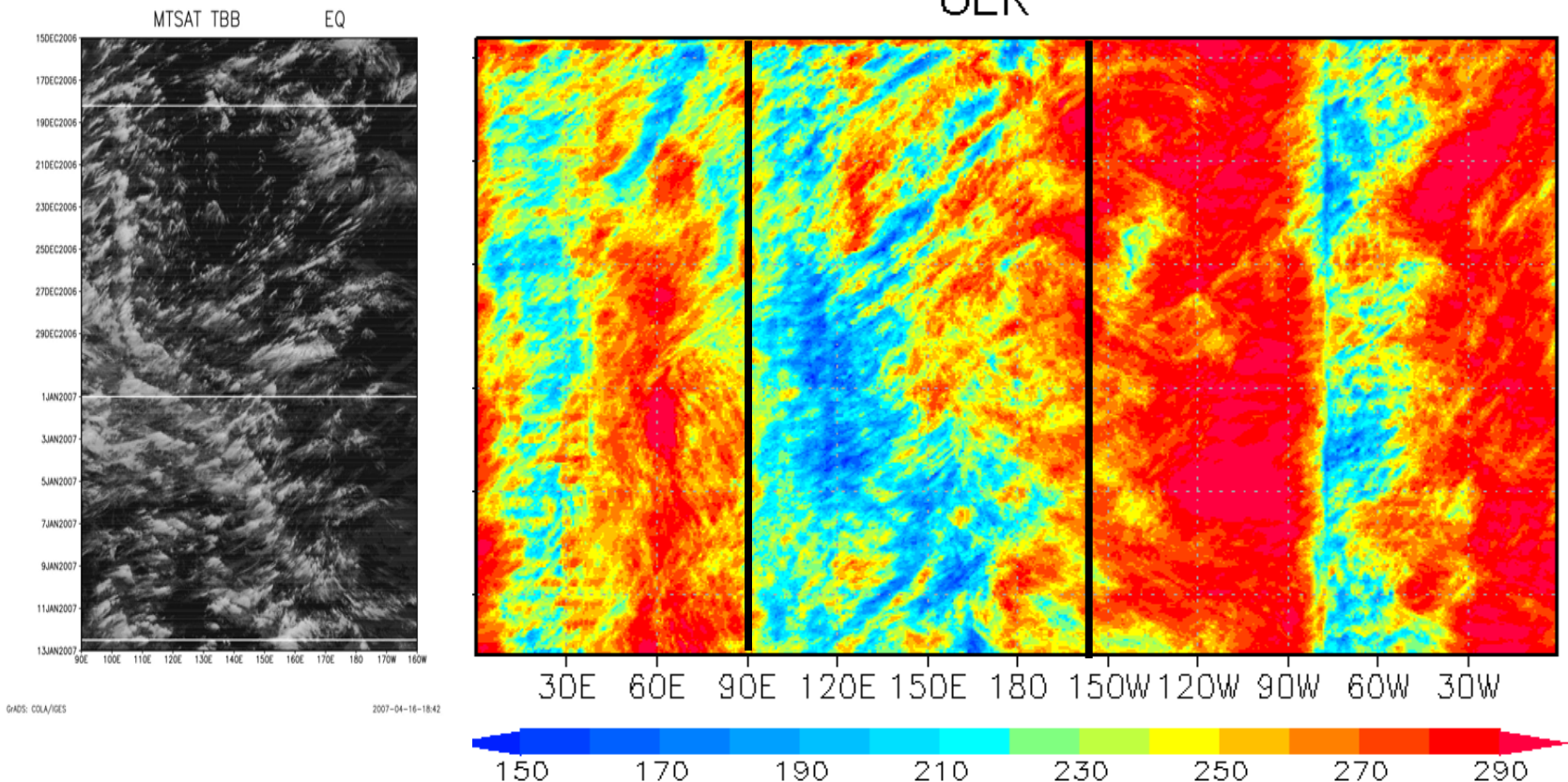
MTSAT-1R TBB
by T.Nakazawa

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DX7

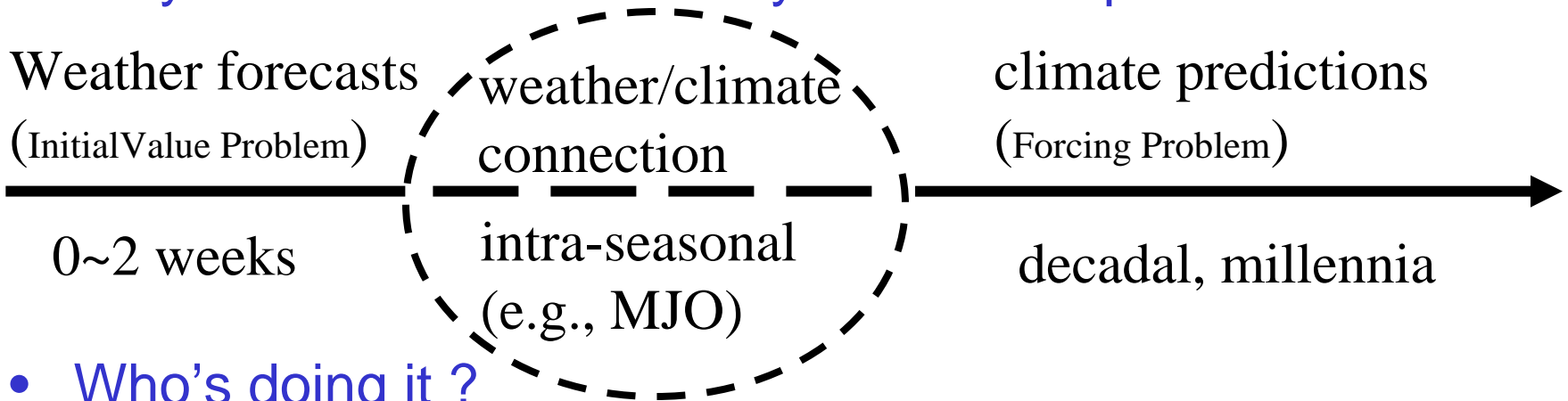
average(10S-10N)

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- What's a GCRM ?
-> a global model/dx~O(km) to "explicitly resolve" convective precip, especially tropical convective clouds.
- Why? -> to avoid uncertainty in cumulus parameterizations.



- Who's doing it ?

CSU (Prof. Randall),

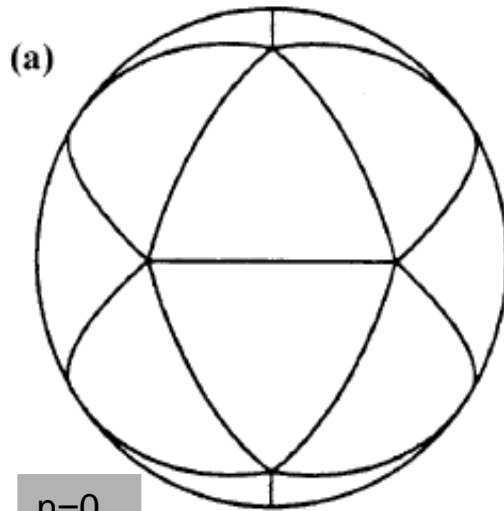
NICAM/Earth Simulator: Prof. Satoh

NOAA/OAR (ESRL/GSD, GFDL, AOML)

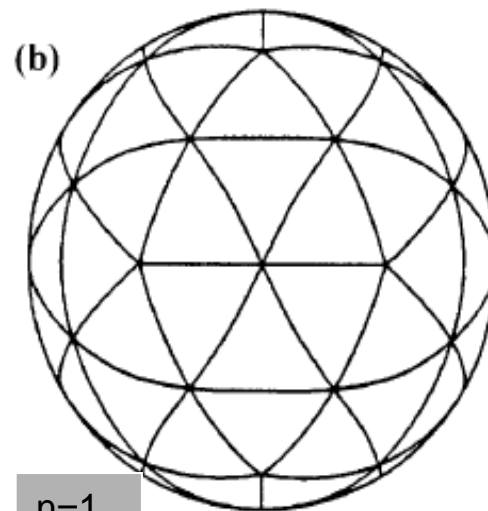
NCAR/ESM (Drs. Klemp, Skamarock)

Icosahedral grid
(coincidence ?)

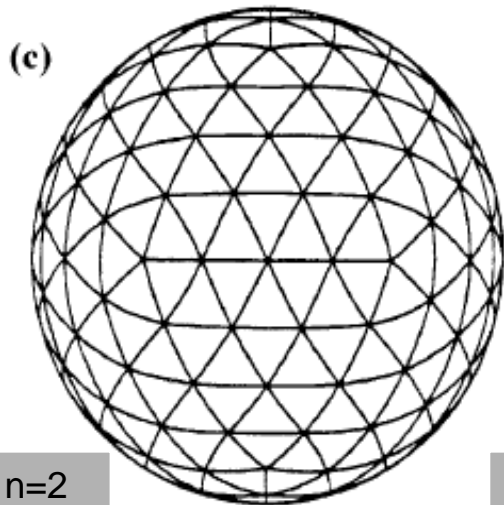
Icosahedral Grid Generation



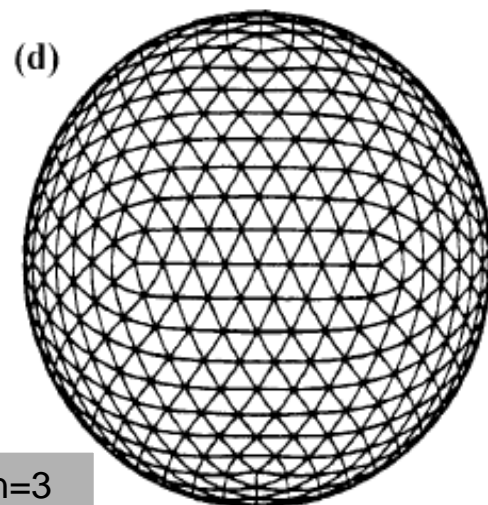
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n=1

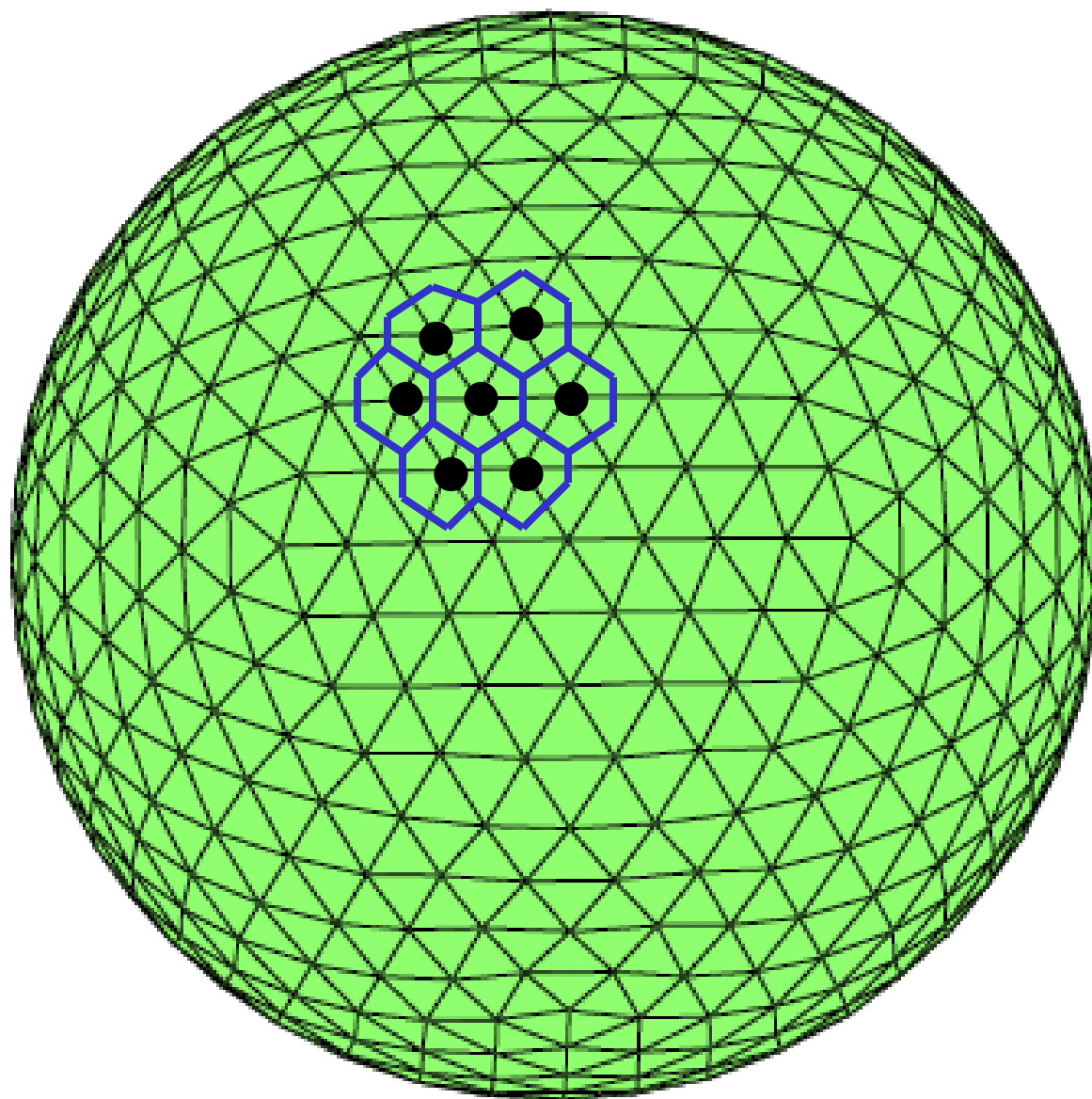


n=2



n=3

$N = ((2^{**n})^{**2}) * 10 + 2$; 5th level – n=5 → N=10242 ~ 240km; max(d)/min(d)~1.2
 6th level – n=6 → N=40962 ~ 120km; 7th level – n=7 → N=163842 ~ 60km
 8th level – n=8 → N=655,362 ~ 30km; 9th level – n=9 → N=2,621,442 ~ 15km
 10th level ~ 7.km; 11th level ~ 3.5km , 12th level ~ 1.7km



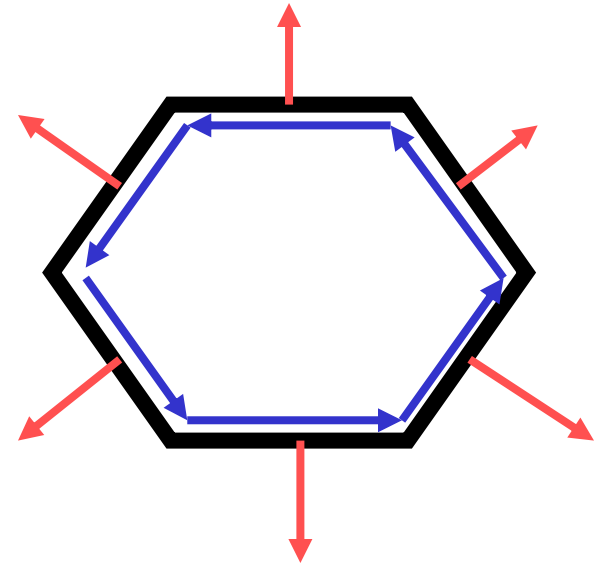
suitable for finite - volume numerics, e.g.,

Stokes' theorem :

$$\int_A (\nabla_h \times \vec{V}_h) dA = \oint_s (\vec{V}_h \cdot \vec{l}) ds$$

Divergence theorem :

$$\int_A (\nabla_h \cdot \vec{V}_h \phi) dA = \oint_s (\vec{V}_h \phi \cdot \vec{n}) ds$$



ESRL global models development plan

- **A finite-volume Icosahedral Shallow Water Model (SWM)**
- **Convert SWM to Single-Layer Model (SLM);
Implement FCT for monotonicity and positive definite**
- **A 3-D model composed of Stacked SLMs using
Lagrangian-type of vertical coordinate.**
- **Implement physics packages for weather and climate
forecasts**
- **Implement Earth System Modeling Framework (ESMF)**

ESRL f.-v. Icos- models (FIM and NIM)

ESMF

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graph TD; ESMF[ESMF] --> NCEP[1. Collab. with NCEP/EMC]; ESMF --> OAR[2. Collab. among OAR Labs.];
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1. Collab. with NCEP/EMC

(Icos- for NCEP model ensemble)

- **FIM (flow-following finite-volume Icosahedral model):** for weather fcsts.

model components:

Icosahedral grid,
finite-volume,
theta-sig hybrid coord,
hydrostatic,
GFS physics

2. Collab. among OAR Labs.

(ESRL/GSD, GFDL, AOML)

- **NIM (Non-hydrostatic Icosahedral model)** is a global cloud resolving model (GCRM) for Wx/Clmt fcsts.

model components:

Icosah-grid, cubed sphere,..
high-order finite-volume,
lagrangian vertical coord,
non-hydrostatic, deep-atm,
full coriolis terms,
physics(GFDL, GFS, ...)

NOAA/ESRL

**Flow-following-
finite-volume**

Icosahedral

Model

FIM

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Status of FIM

- **Complete FIM model numerics
and GFS physics**

Complete Icosahedral grid meta system

Complete parallel version of FIM

Model verification:

**FIM is run twice daily for real time verification
cfg: GFS initial data, dx~30km/50 layers,
without explicit dissipation**

***Same initial condition, terrain & sfc parameters, physics package
run at similar model resolutions**

Mass Conservation and Positive Definiteness

Total mass	=	5.022915528916858E+018	at time step=	1
Total mass	=	5.022915528916743E+018	at time step=	60
Total mass	=	5.022915528916771E+018	at time step=	120
Total mass	=	5.022915528916695E+018	at time step=	180
Total mass	=	5.022915528917074E+018	at time step=	240
Total mass	=	5.022915528917066E+018	at time step=	300
Total mass	=	5.022915528916768E+018	at time step=	360
Total mass	=	5.022915528916948E+018	at time step=	420
Total mass	=	5.022915528916820E+018	at time step=	480
Total mass	=	5.022915528916910E+018	at time step=	540
Total mass	=	5.022915528916967E+018	at time step=	600
Total mass	=	5.022915528916953E+018	at time step=	660
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Total mass	=	5.022915528916939E+018	at time step=	1020
Total mass	=	5.022915528916824E+018	at time step=	1080
Total mass	=	5.022915528916941E+018	at time step=	1140
Total mass	=	5.022915528916814E+018	at time step=	1200

Final Remarks

1. Developed a hydrostatic hybrid ($\sigma-\theta$) f.-v. icosahedral global model, FIM, which shows excellent conservation properties.

2. NIM development in progress

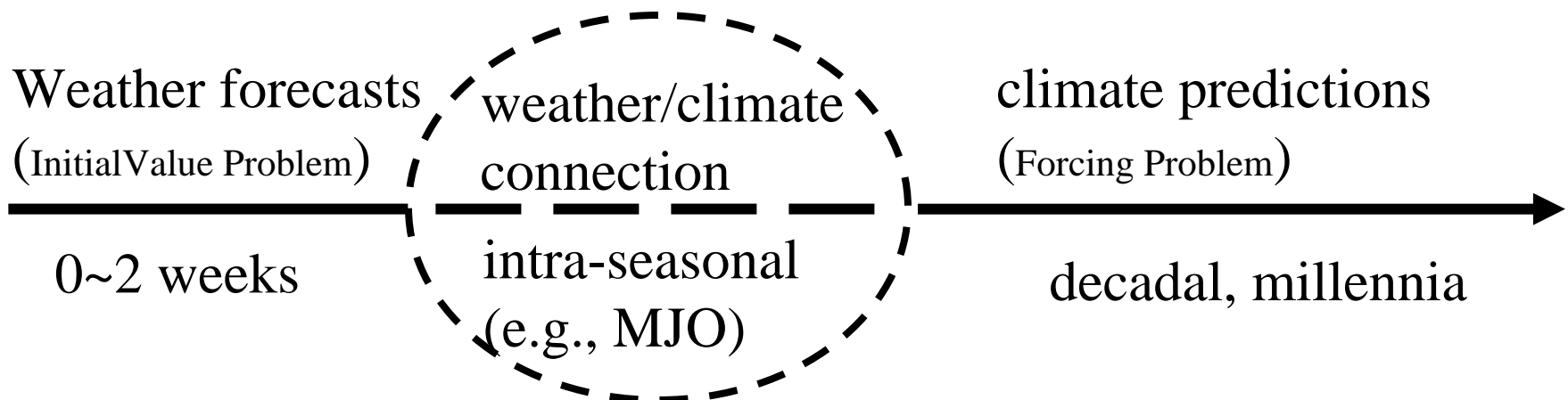
Couple Icos-SWM with Lagrangian vertical coordinate developed by S.-J. Lin at GFDL.

Implement GFDL physics into NIM dycore.

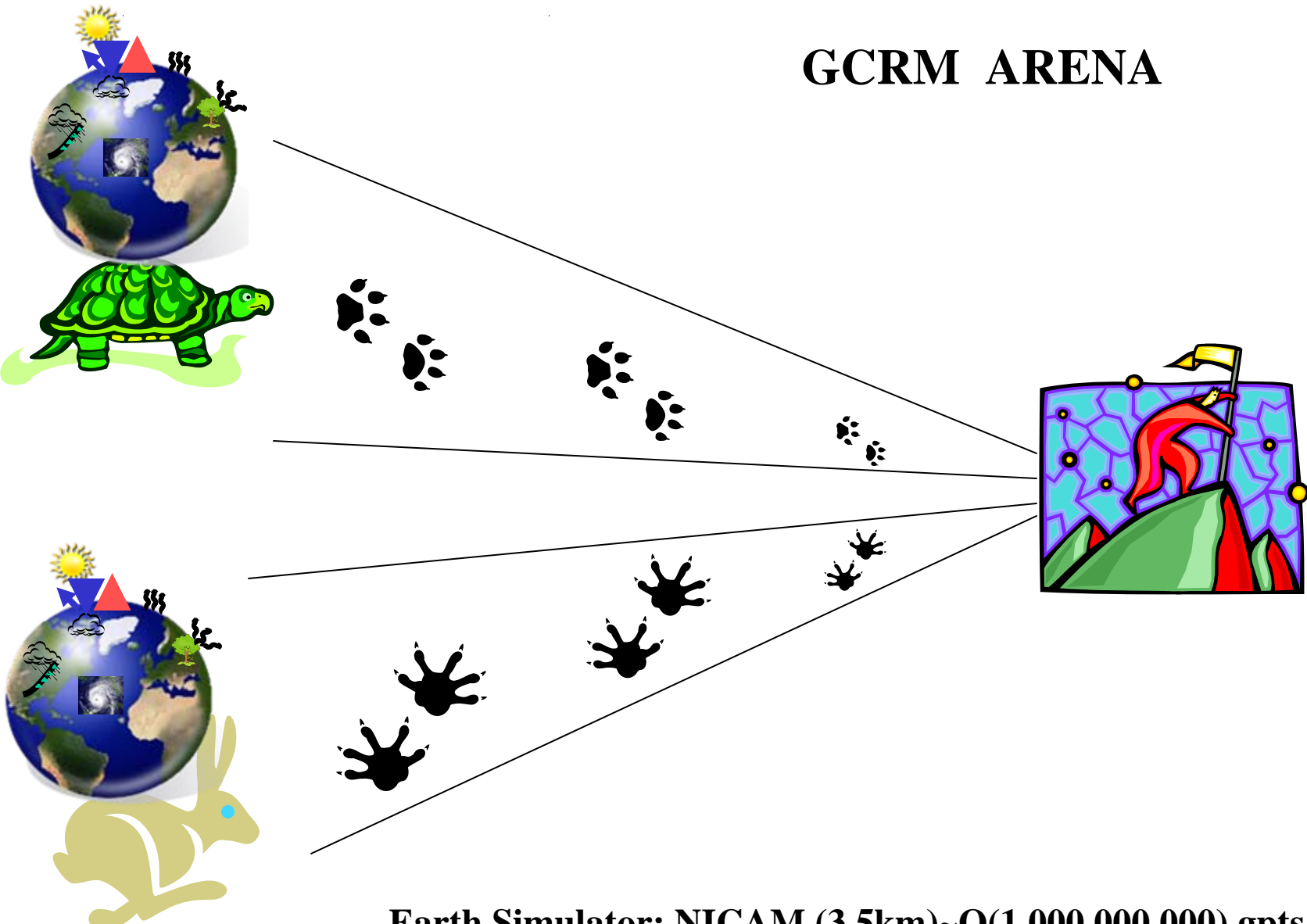
Local stencil allows scaling up to $O(100,000)$ cpus.

Focus on model accuracy of long-term integrations.

Research! Rsch! Rsch! to extend/improve weather/climate predictions.



GCRM ARENA



Earth Simulator: NICAM (3.5km)~O(1,000,000,000) gpts

NEC: 10 PF/2012 =>dx~3-400 meters ~O(100,000,000,000) gpts