



Uncertainty Quantification in Accelerated Climate Model for Energy

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Accelerated Climate Modeling for Energy

A DOE Model on DOE Machines for the DOE mission

The Accelerated Climate Modeling for Energy is an ongoing, state-of-the-science Earth system modeling, simulation and prediction project that optimizes the use of DOE laboratory resources to meet the science needs of the nation and the mission needs of DOE.

- PI: Dave Bader (LLNL), DOE PM: Dorothy Koch
- Started summer of 2014, funded by DOE BER
- 8 DOE Labs, NCAR, a few universities and one company
- 100+ people, ~50 FTE effort, ~\$20M per year
- Reformulated effort of existing funding and people
- Branching from existing community models





Short overview



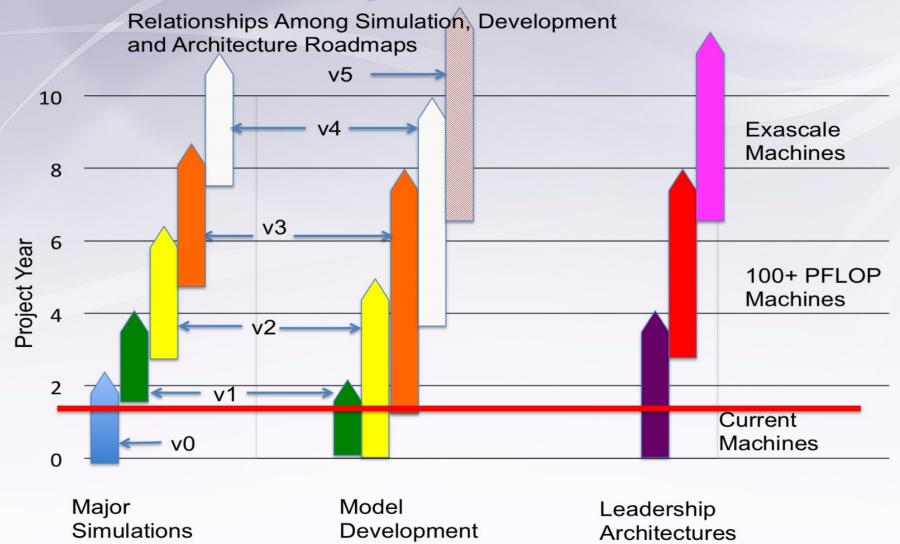


- US Department of Energy (DOE) sponsored Earth system model
- Land, atmosphere, ocean, ice, human system components
- High-resolution, employ DOE leadership-class computing facilities
- Addresses energy sector vulnerabilities to climate change and extreme weather





ACME Roadmap







SNL-CA role in ACME: Uncertainty Quantification (UQ) for Land Model

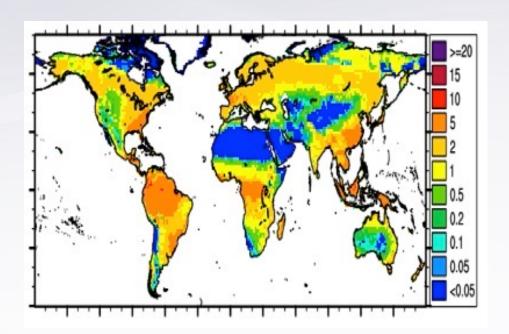
- Current funding based on previous project (CSSEF) with Habib Najm (8351), Bert Debusschere (8351), Cosmin Safta (8954)
- ACME focus is on science development, but still....
- ... automated parameter sensitivity, tuning and prediction uncertainty assessment are needed.
- UQ Lead: K. Sargsyan, 0.5 FTE
- Direct collaboration with ORNL and PNNL scientists





Relevance of Land Model for Climate

- Carbon fluxes: how much CO2 is taken up/released by ecosystems?
- Energy fluxes: sensible and latent heat from land surface
- Land surface albedo: soil and vegetation
- All of these processes have high uncertainty

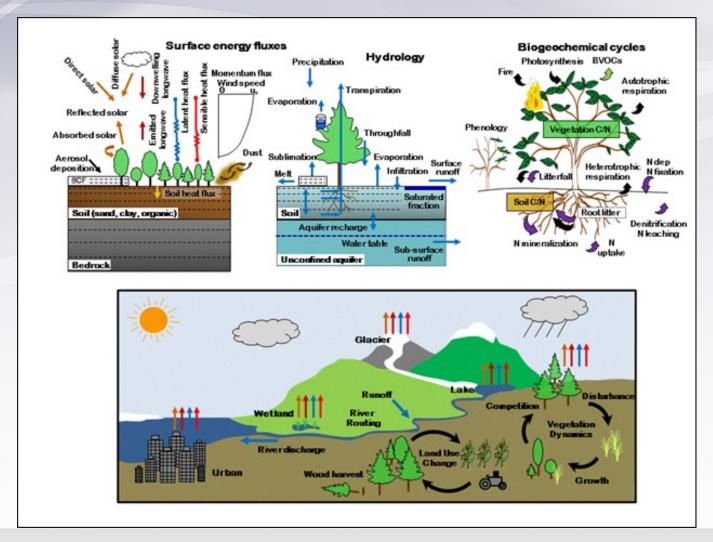


Gross Primary Productivity, gC/(m² day)





ACME Land Model

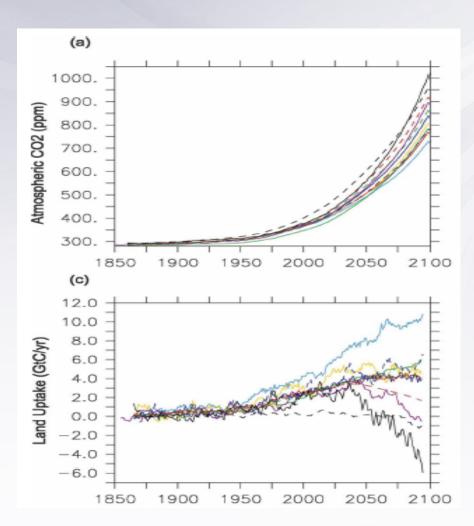






Evaluating land model uncertainty

- Traditionally, uncertainty has been estimated using multimodel comparisons
- Large uncertainties about future carbon flux
- Hard to distinguish various types of uncertainty (e.g. structural vs. parametric)
- Within-model uncertainty not well characterized
- Need for formal UQ methods







Major UQ challenges for climate models

- High dimensionality (too many parameters)
- Expensive models (a single run is a few hours)
- Scarce information
- Inputs are very uncertain, and not independent
- Strongly nonlinear response
- [Elephant in the room] Structural uncertainties!

What we do:

 Developing/enhancing statistics and machine learning tools for UQ in physical models





Technical details

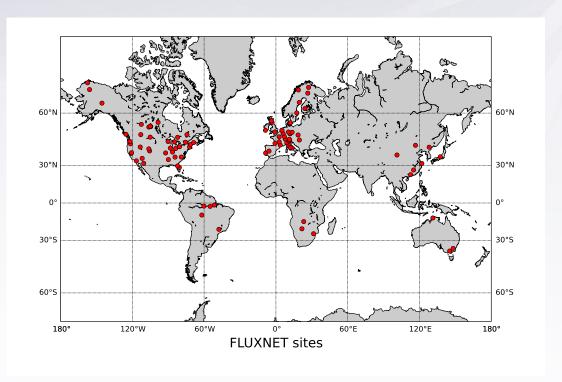
- Expensive model
 - Create surrogate (response surface, emulator, metamodel, ...)
 - Polynomial Chaos surrogate
- High-dimensionality
 - Sparse learning methods (compressive sensing)
 - Weighted Iterative Bayesian Compressive Sensing
- Non-linear, non-differentiable response
 - Prepend data classification
- Input dependence
 - Non-trivial sampling approaches, e.g. Rosenblatt transformation





Forward UQ Analysis for Multiple Sites

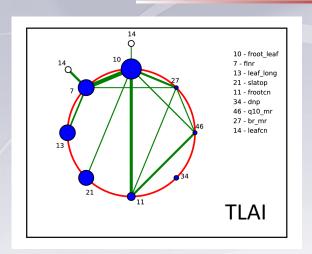
- 96 FLUXNET sites covering major biomes and plant functional types
- Varying 68 parameters over given ranges
- Ensemble of 3000 ACME Land Model
- runs on Titan
 (ORNL supercomputer)
- The goal is to build surrogate models and to perform parametric uncertainty decomposition

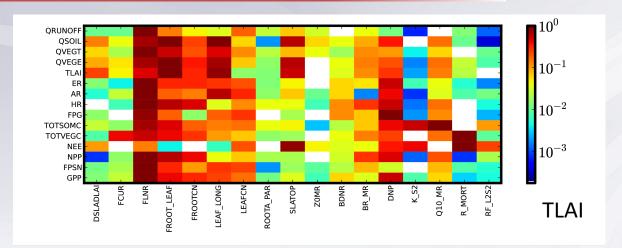


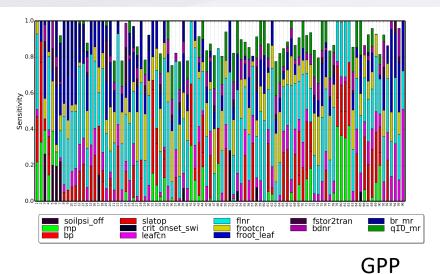


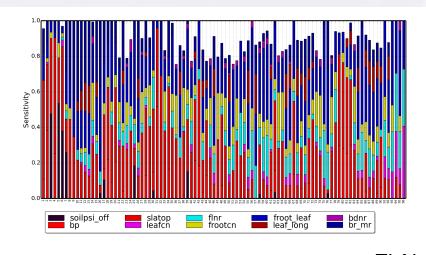


Uncertainty Decomposition / Global Sensitivity Analysis









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Current / Future

- Forward UQ workflow for automatic parameter ranking
- Interface to UQTk v2.2 (www.sandia.gov/uqtoolkit)
- Uncertainty decomposition, global sensitivity analysis
- Dimensionality reduction
- Create automatic workflow for Inverse UQ
- Calibration: parameter tuning with surrogates
- More accurate, adaptive surrogates
- Structural errors, extrapolative scenarios



