

# **Introduction of JMA-NHM**

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#### **0. WHAT IS A NUMERICAL MODEL ?**





# What is a Numerical Model?

 Numerical weather prediction uses <u>mathematical models</u> of the atmosphere and oceans <u>to predict the weather</u> based on current weather conditions.

(by wikipedia ☺)

mathematical equations that describe the <u>"dynamics</u>" and <u>"physics</u>" of the atmosphere

to solve those equation, numerically

get the value of atmospheric condition in the future



# **Numerical Model**



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# **Overview of a Numerical Model**

- Dividing the Earth's atmosphere into <u>discrete</u> grids 3-dimensionally.
   (see right figure)
- The model calculates how much each grid affects its neighbors, and how much the atmosphere will change in each grid with time.

#### making a forecast







#### **Kind of Numerical Weather Models**

- For the restricted computing power, we use the models properly. (Even if we have the fastest computer in the world, we can't get sufficient computing power for a weather prediction.☺)
- Global Model ( $\Delta x=200^{20}$ km)
  - This model can simulate global circulation and synoptic scale phenomena.
- Regional Model (∆x=20km~)
  - Hydrostatic model(∆x=~10km)
  - Non-hydrostatic model (∆x=5km~?00m) (Cloud Resolving Model)
  - These model can simulate severe weather, but boundary conditions for them are provided by global model or another regional model.
- LES model (100~?m)
  - This model can simulate micro scale. Because it needs enormous computing power in realistic simulation, it is not a model for weather prediction.





### **Limited Area Forecast Models**

- There are many such models in the world.
  - JMA-NHM: The JMA's model for targeted mesoscale phenomena. (more details I will introduce later)
  - WRF: The Next-generation meso-scale numerical weather prediction system is developed by NCAR, NCEP and many researchers.
  - And, UM(UKMO), LM(=COSMO, DWD), AROME(Met. Fr.), GRAPES-Meso(CMA) ...etc
  - RAMS: The RAMS was developed at Univ. Colorado. Many users switch to WRF now. (I was a user of this model during college...)





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#### **1. HISTORY OF THE JMA-NHM**





# **Brief history (1)**

- In Meteorological Research Institute (MRI/JMA) Nonhydrostatic Model (MRI-NHM) was developed by Ikawa (1984).
- On the other hand, another model was developed by Goda and Kurihara (1991) in Numerical Prediction Department (NPD/JMA).
- A joint work between MRI and NPD was started in February 1999. A unified model (MRI/NPD-NHM) was completed in 2000.





# **Brief history (2)**

- Development of community model for numerical weather prediction and research was launched 2001.
- Operational run was started on 1 September 2004. Model specifications were 10km in horizontal resolution, 18hr forecast and 4 times/day. Forecast domain is 3500km x 2500km (Japan area).
- Operational run was update to 5km in horizontal resolution from 10km on 1 March 2006. It was 15hr forecast and 8 times/day with same domain.
- March 2007, we have run 33hr forecast 4 times/day and 15hr forecast 4 time/day.





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#### **2. DYNAMICAL FRAME**





# **Dynamical Frame of JMA-NHM**

- Fully compressive equations
  - Treatment of sound wave
  - Divergence filter
- Advection term
  - Modified scheme and splitting
- Numerical diffusion





#### **Governing Equations of JMA-NHM** dynamics Momentum equations physics $\frac{\partial(\rho u^{i})}{\partial t} + \nabla_{j} \cdot (\rho u^{i} u^{j}) - u^{i} \text{prc} + (\nabla p')^{i} + \left(\sigma \frac{gp'}{C_{m}^{2}} - \text{buoy}\right) \delta_{3}^{i} + 2\rho \epsilon^{ijk} \Omega_{j} u_{k} = \rho \text{Dif}.u^{i}$ advection pressure Colioris diffusion by buovancy turb. scheme gradient Pressure equation $\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = C_m^2 \left\{ -\nabla_i \cdot (\rho u^i) + \text{prc} + \frac{\rho}{\theta_m} \frac{\partial v_m}{\partial t} \right\}$ density due expansion to rainfall Thermodynamic equation $\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\rho} \left\{ \frac{\nabla_i (\rho u^i \theta) - \theta \nabla_i (\rho u^i)}{\text{advection}} \right\} = \frac{Q}{\frac{C_p \pi}{C_p \pi}} + \frac{\text{Dif.} \theta}{\text{diabatic term}}$ Water substances $\frac{\partial q_n}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\rho} \left\{ \nabla_i (\rho u^i q_n) - q_n \nabla_i (\rho u^i) \right\} = \underline{Q_n} + \underline{\text{Dif.}} q_n$ diabatic term diffusion by turb. scheme State Equation $\rho = \frac{p_0}{R\theta_m} \left(\frac{p}{p_0}\right)^{C_v/C_p}$ .IM

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### **Treatment of Sound Wave**

• Fully compressible equations include sound wave as a solution

Simplified equations

(2D linearized fully compressible equations)



# Time Integration Scheme - Split-Explicit Scheme or HE-VI scheme -

Explicit, but split in horizontal direction Implicit in vertical direction







# **Divergence Damping**

- A case not enough computational stability by only using HE-VI
- When large Courant number for wind speed and sound wave, sound wave mode can become unstable
- Add gradient term of divergence on Z\* coordinate to the momentum equations



# Modified Advection Scheme

- Purpose
  - Removal of oscillation due to the computational error
- Scheme
  - 1st order difference scheme
  - After calculation of advection term, to correct it not exceeding an upper and lower limit
- Problems

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 Instead of not occurring oscillation, decreasing accuracy and decaying amplitude.



### **Still Unstable Case**

- Computational instability still occur, such as
  - Strong wind and stable layer
  - Deep convection



# **Split Advection Term**

- To suppress computational instability due to the jet or strong convection
- Advection term is integrated using  $d\tau$  (< dt)
  - However, whole advection terms are not split. The contribution from 2<sup>nd</sup> order flux form is evaluated using dτ, in addition, advection term is corrected in the following equation
  - This correction is only adopted in the latter half of the leap-frog scheme
  - Advection scheme of PT is same as above, stabilizing gravity wave



# Other Adoptions for Stable Computation

- Numerical diffusion
  - Linear
    - Removal to oscillation in minimum wave length that can be resolved
    - 4<sup>th</sup> order
  - Nonlinear
- Targeted Moisture Diffusion
  - Diffuse water vapor in grids which exceeds a threshold of updraft speed.





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#### **PHYSICAL PROCESSES**





# **Physical processes**

- Transport that cannot be resolved by grid-mean velocities (i.e. subgrid transport)
  - Convective transport
  - Boundary layer turbulent transport
- Flow-independent flux (i.e. not transported by wind)
  - Radiation
  - Surface flux
- Local source or sink
  - Latent heat release by condensation
  - Transition between hydrometeors in cloud microphysics





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### **Convective Parameterization** (Subgrid Transport)



#### Sub-grid scale convection

- vertical mass flux
- precipitation





# **Kain-Fritsch Scheme**

- For mesoscale convective systems in midlattitude
- Trigger function
  - Convections occur at which grid, which level?
- Formulation using mass flux
- Closure assumption
  - Consume CAPE
  - Adjust mass flux



Cloud model consisted a pair of upward and downward flow, calculate

- Tendency of pt and water substances, condensation, and prep.





# **Turbulence (Subgrid Transport)**



# Fluxes by sub-grid scale turbulence

- momentum
- heat
- water vapor





# **Turbulence Scheme in JMA-NHM**

#### Improved Mellor-Yamada Level 3 scheme (operational)

- MYNN3; Nakanishi and Niino (2006)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> order closure model
- Prognostic variables

 $q^2, \ \overline{\theta'^2}, \ \overline{\theta' q'_v}, \ \overline{q'^2_v} \ (q^2 : \text{turbulent kinetic energy}, \ q_v : \text{water vapor})$ 

Diagnostic variables

 $\overline{u'w'}, \ \overline{v'w'}, \ \overline{w'\theta'}, \ \overline{w'q'_{v}}, \ \overline{u'^{2}}, \ \overline{v'^{2}}, \ \overline{w'^{2}}, \ \overline{u'v'}, \ \overline{u'\theta'}, \ \overline{v'\theta'}, \ \overline{u'q'_{v}}, \ \overline{v'q'_{v}}$ 



JMA's original implementation

- Others : zero

#### Deardorff scheme (option)

– Deardorff (1977)





# **Radiation (Flow Independent)**



- Short wave radiation
- Long wave radiation
- Consider the existance of cloud
  - diagnose partial condensation scheme
- enhance the diurnal cycle of surface temperature
- Impact on the vertical profile of atmospheric temperature





# **Radiation in JMA-NHM**

#### Clear sky radiation scheme

- Short wave : K-distribution method, 22bands
- Long wave : table reference method and K-distribution method, 9bands
- Consider direct effects by aerosol
- Use three dimensional Ozone climatological data
- Cloud radiation scheme
  - Short wave
    - Calculate optical characteristics of cloud by cloud water / ice and radius of cloud particle
    - depends on the band
  - Long wave
    - Calculate the effect of cloud which cannot assume black body
    - Cloud amount is corrected by emiting ratio.
    - no dependency on bands
  - Cloud amount and cloud water are diagnosed by partial condensation scheme in MYNN3 (No use of cloud water and ice by cloud physics)
  - Using maximum-random overlap

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#### **Partial condensation scheme**

- Consider condensation of subgrid scale
  - Express perturbations of moisture and potential temperature in each grid using Probability Distribution Function (PDF).
- Calculate TKE production term
  - buoyancy flux

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for turbulent scheme





### Surface Process (Flow Independent)



- Calculate surface fluxes
  - sensible / latent heat flux
  - upward short / long wave radiation flux





# **Surface Process in JMA-NHM**

#### Calculate surface fluxes to the atmosphere

- Give boundary condition for MYNN3
- Formulation : Monin-Obukhov similarity theory
- Gradient functions : Beljaars and Holtslag(1991)
- Estimate the surface temperature
  - To calculate surface fluxes
  - 4-layer heat conduction equation
- Forecast the soil moisture

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- To estimate evapolation efficiency at the surface
- Force-restore method (Deardorff, 1978)



### **Cloud Physics (Local Source or Sink)**



- Predicts the mixing ratios of water vapor and five hydrometeors
  - cloud water, cloud ice, rain, snow, and graupel
  - The diabatic heat invloved a change of phase affects atmospheric temperature, and contributes updraft or downdraft.
    - The diabatic heat is calculated in "dynamics".



### **Cloud Physics in JMA-NHM**

- Forecast mixing ratio and number concentration
- Processes
  - Ice particle production process
  - Condensation growth
  - Evaporative growth
  - Sublimation growth
  - Diffusive growth
  - Crash and merge growth
  - etc...





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#### **GRID STRUCTURE**




## **Grid Structure**

- Horizontal grid
- Vertical grid





## Horizontal Grid (Arakawa-C grid)

Advantage for horizontal advection

Horizontal grid

x-direction







## Vertical Grid (Lorenz Grid)

Advantage for vertical advection



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## 5. PROCESSES IN ONE TIMESTEP OF JMA-NHM





## **Processes in One Timestep of JMA-NHM**

- Caution!
  - The following slides show original processes of JMA-NHM
    - Different from other models





## **Forecasting Equations**

#### Momentum equations

$$\frac{\partial(\rho u^i)}{\partial t} + \nabla_j \cdot (\rho u^i u^j) - u^i \operatorname{prc} + (\nabla p')^i + \left(\sigma \frac{gp'}{C_m^2} - \operatorname{buoy}\right) \delta_3^i + 2\rho \epsilon^{ijk} \Omega_j u_k = \rho \operatorname{Dif} u^i$$

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## Surface Flux, Diffusion, and Diabatic Process



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Water substances

#### 3. Cloud physics and KF scheme

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4. Diagnose buoyancy term

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#### **5. HE-VI**

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