



Implementation of the Pleim-Xiu Land Surface Model and Asymmetric Convective Model in WRF

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Motivation

- Consistent mixing between the meteorological and chemical transport models
- Indirect soil moisture nudging can improve near-surface meteorology in retrospective simulations for air quality applications
- New LSM and PBL options in WRF
- PX LSM fields used to improve dry deposition estimates in AQM

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Pleim-Xiu LSM

(Xiu and Pleim, 2001; Pleim and Xiu, 2003)

- Based on ISBA (Noilhan and Planton, 1989)
- 2-layer prognostic soil moisture and temperature
 - surface (1 cm), root zone (1 m)
- Grid cell aggregated surface parameters from fractional landuse and soil type
 - Leverage NLCD
- Indirect soil moisture nudging

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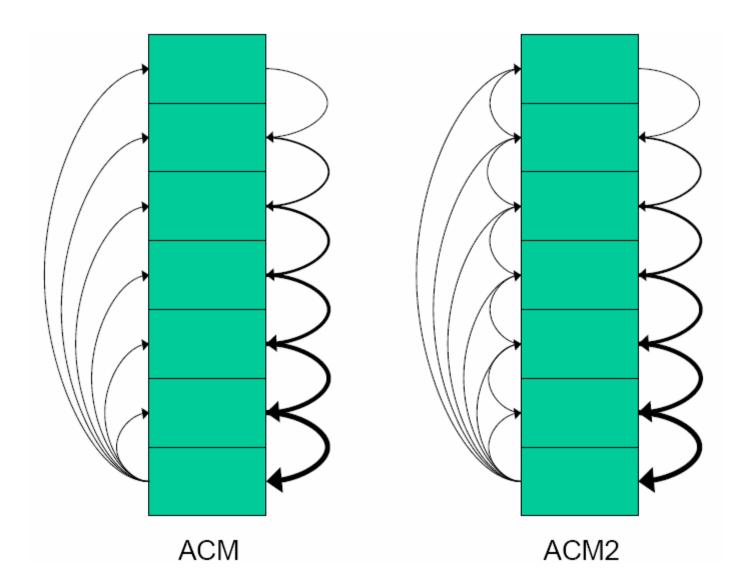
(Pleim, 2006; Pleim, 2007a,b)

- Non-local closure scheme (Stull, 1984; Blackadar, 1976; Pleim and Chang, 1992)
- Simple transilient model for unstable PBL, eddy diffusion for stable PBL.
- Rapid upward transport by buoyant plumes and gradual downward transport by compensatory subsidence
 - asymmetric (ACM) vs. symmetric (e.g., Blackadar)
- ACM2
 - Allows some local mixing at all levels
 - Leads to more continuous profiles in lower layers
 - Smooth transition from stable to unstable

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Implementation

- Parsed into three separate models for WRF
- Options 7 in WRF namelist (as in MM5)
- RA, RS and LAI added to Registry
- 2-m temp, 2-m mixing ratio, and snow water were added to Registry for SM nudging (wrffdda_d01 file)
- Solve, PBL driver, and surface driver modified for new physics calls
- Real.exe modified
 - Initialize PX LSM
 - New analysis nudging file

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Initial Evaluation

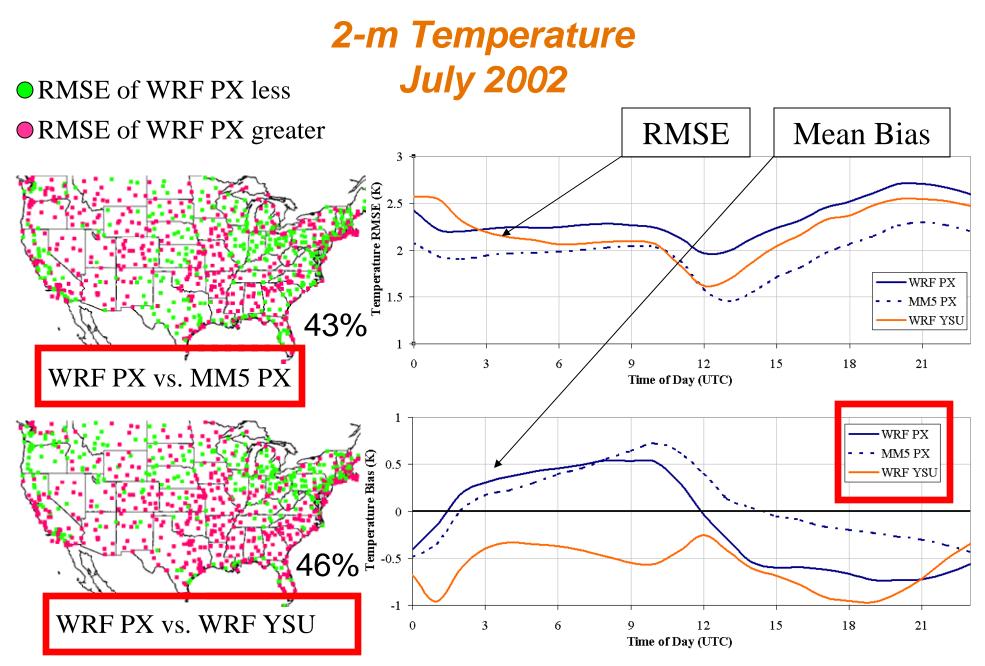
- CONUS domain (36 km), July 2002
 - WRF PX-ACM2-Pleim sfc. lay.
 - MM5 PX-ACM-Pleim sfc. lay.
 - WRF NOAH-YSU-MO sfc. lay.
- All WRF used RRTM, WSM-5, KF2 convective (nearly the same as MM5)
- Analysis nudging (only wind in PBL)
- Simulations compared to NWS hourly surface obs from MADIS

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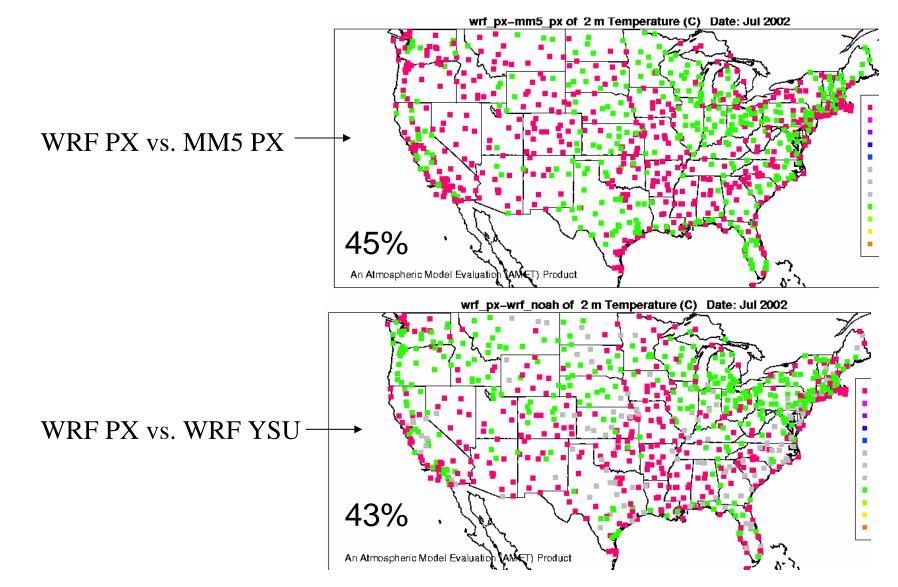






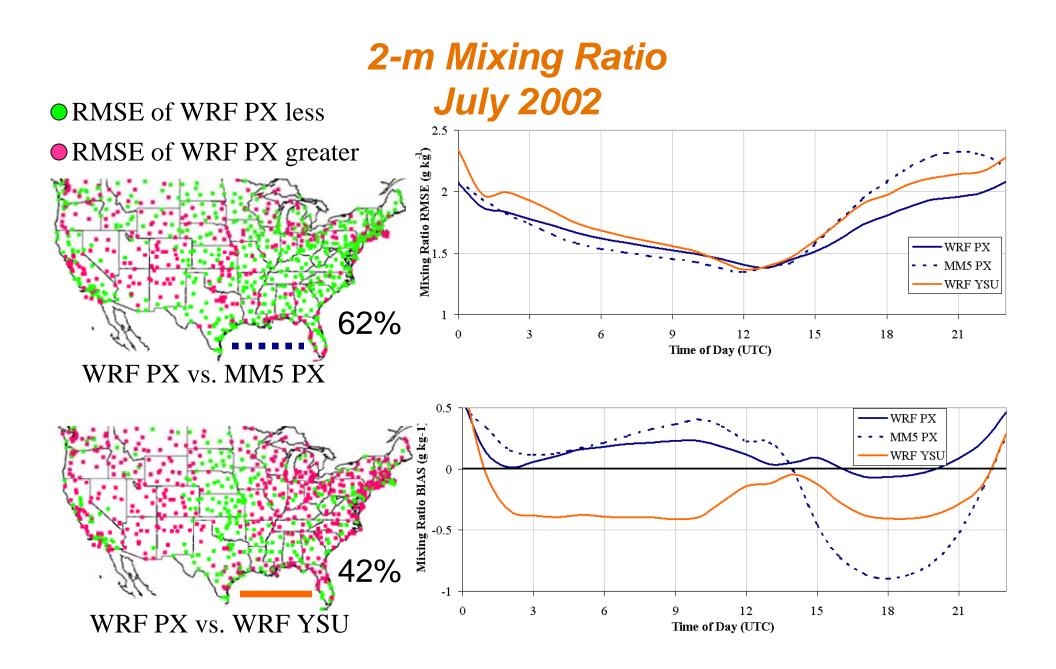


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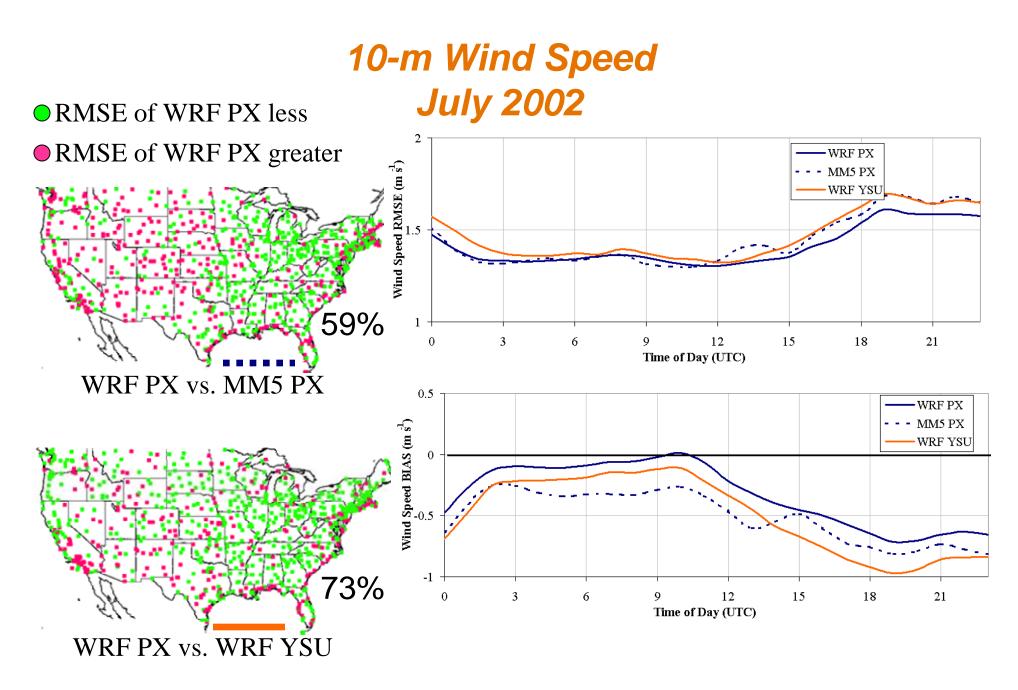




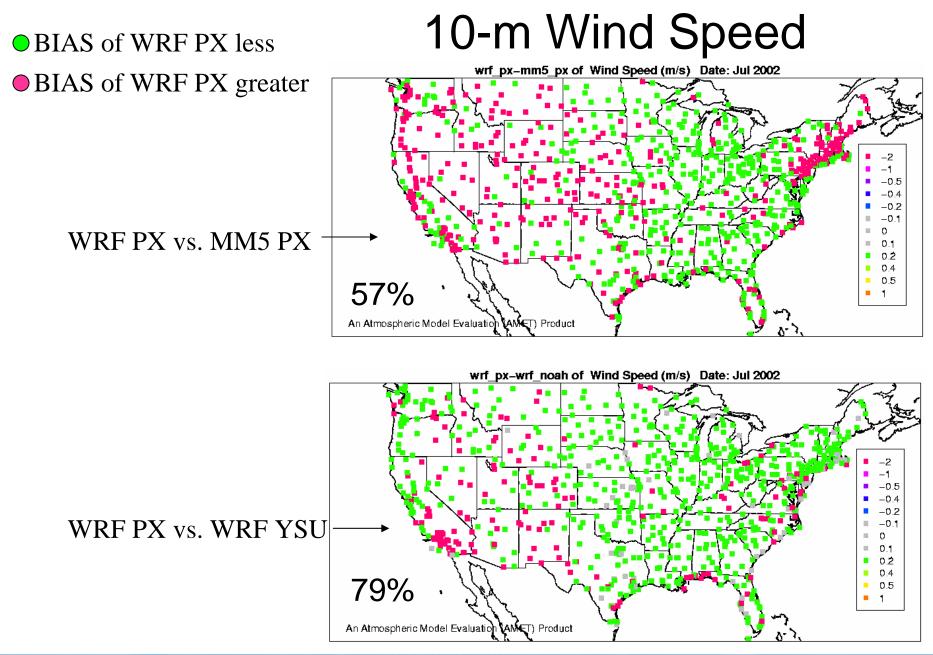








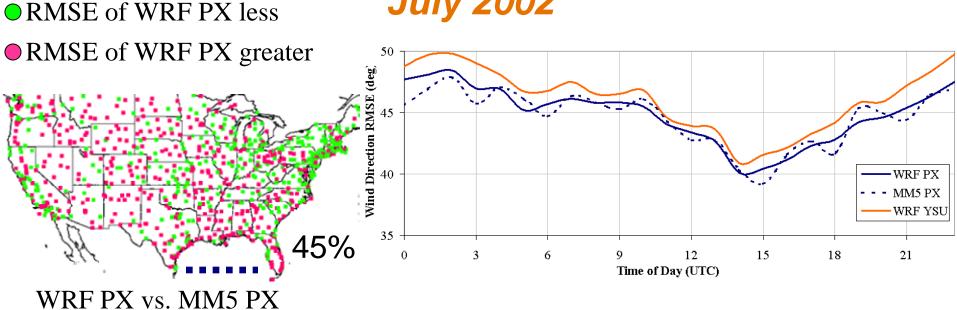


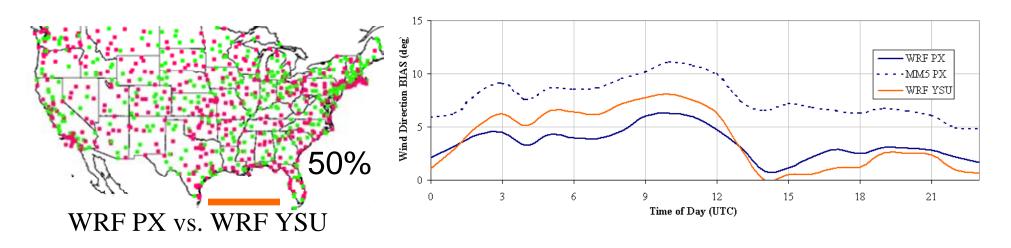






10-m Wind Direction July 2002

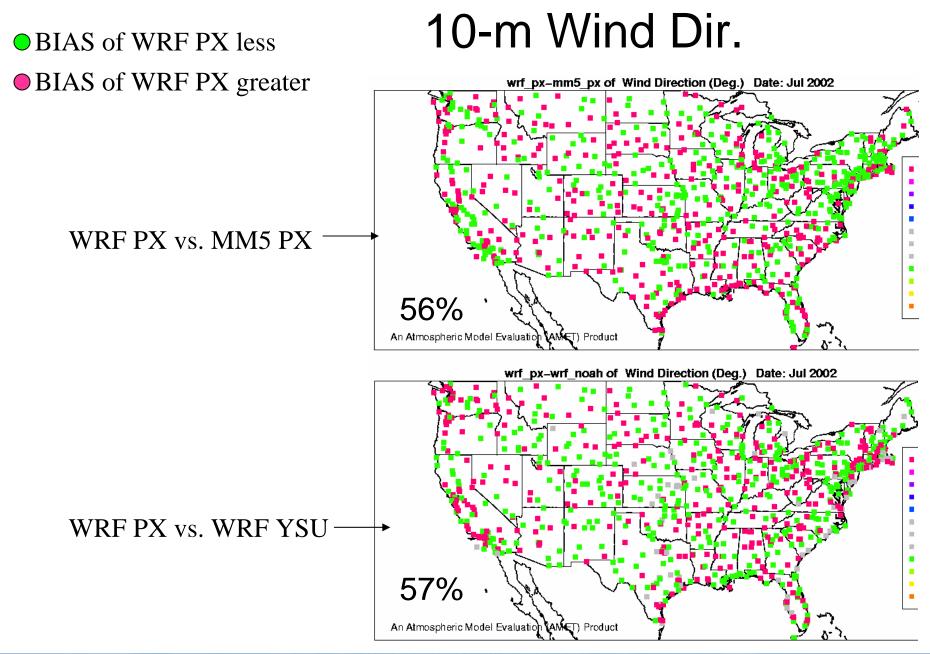






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Initial Assessment

- Reasonable overall performance
- 2-m temperature error greater
 Further investigation needed
- 2-m mixing ratio error comparable
- 10-m WS error and bias lower
- 10-m WD comparable

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Future Efforts

- More evaluation (precip, PBL, etc.)
- Test linkage with other physics options (e.g., ACM2-NOAH, PX LSM-MYJ PBL)
- Refine snow treatment
- Impact on AQM (e.g., CMAQ)
- Work toward release in WRFv3

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Extended Results

Variable	Jul. 2002 Simulation	RMSE	MB	IOA	
2-m Temp	MM5 PX	43	45	42	
-	WRF YSU	46	49	48	
2-m Mixing	MM5 PX	62	37	48	
Ratio	WRF YSU	42	40	40	
10-m Wind	MM5 PX	59	57	48	
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10-m Wind	MM5 PX	45	56	N/A	
Dir.	WRF YSU	50	55	N/A	
Variable	Jul. 2002	RMSE	MB	IOA	
2-m Temp	WRF PX		-0.13 / -2.19	0.89 / 0.84	
	MM5 PX		0.08 / -1.28	0.92 / 0.88	
	WRF YSU	2.19 / 3.96	-0.52 / -2.18	0.91 / 0.85	
2-m Mixing Ratio	WRF PX	1.72 / 2.22	0.13 / 0.50	0.84 / 0.63	
	MM5 PX	1.80 / 2.15	-0.05 / -0.16	0.85 / 0.71	
	WRF YSU	1.85 / 1.84	-0.30 / -0.37	0.82 / 0.70	
10-m Wind Speed	WRF PX	1.42 / 2.19	-0.35 / -1.19	0.62 / 0.41	
	MM5 PX	1.46 / 2.10	-0.52 / -0.92	0.61 / 0.46	
	WRF YSU	1.49 / 2.19	-0.48 / -1.19	0.59 / 0.42	
10-m Wind Dir.	WRF PX	45 / 67	03 / 05	N/A	
	MM5 PX	45 / 64	08 / 01	N/A	
	WRF YSU	45 / 66	04 / 06	N/A	





	Jul. 2002					Variable	Jul. 2002 Simulation	MAE	RMSE	MB
Variable	Simulation	MAE	RMSE	MB	IOA		WRF PX	1.86	2.54	-0.23
		50		10	(0)	2-m Temp	MM5 PX	1.88	2.57	-0.36
2-m Temp	MM5 PX	59	57	48	69		WRF YSU	1.86	2.55	-0.56
	WRF YSU	48	47	47	45		WRF MYJ	1.79	2.45	-0.26
	WRF MYJ	42	40	41	43		WRF PX	1.38	1.91	-0.16
2-m Mixing Ratio	MM5 PX	65	66	38	44	2-m Mixing Ratio	MM5 PX	1.45	1.92	-0.08
	WRF YSU	67	68	58	61	Kauo	WRF YSU WRF MYJ	1.47 1.43	1.94 1.89	-0.49 -0.32
	WRF MYJ	66	67	50	67		WRF PX	1.31	1.74	-0.09
10-m Wind Speed	MM5 PX	47	44	79	42	10-m Wind	MM5 PX	1.29	1.71	-0.66
						Speed	WRF YSU	1.35	1.75	-0.09
	WRF YSU	53	48	51	69		WRF MYJ	1.49	1.93	0.47
	WRF MYJ	75	73	31	37		WRF PX	40	57	8
10-m Wind Dir.	MM5 PX	22	21	42	N/A	10-m Wind	MM5PX	36	52	5
	WRF YSU	36	37	46	N/A	Dir.	WRF YSU	38	55	5
	WRF MYJ	51	52	53	N/A		WRF MYJ	40	57	7
						J	Jan. 2002			
Variable	Jan. 2002	MAE	RMSE	MB	IOA	Variable	Simulation	MAE	RMSE	MB
	Simulation						WRF PX	2.37	3.09	-0.86
2-m Temp						2-m Temp	MM5 PX	2.80	3.63	-1.59
	MM5 PX	82	84	77	78	2-m remp	WRF YSU	1.98	2.62	-0.31
	WRF YSU	13	13	20	13		WRF MYJ	1.96	2.62	0.05
	WRF MYJ	18	18	26	19		WRF PX	0.62	0.91	0.18
2-m Mixing Ratio	MM5 PX	50	49	37	47	2-m Mixing	MM5 PX	0.60	0.88	-0.30
	WRF YSU	37	32	60	31	Ratio	WRF YSU WRF MYJ	0.59 0.61	0.85 0.87	0.27 0.27
	WRF MYJ	46	43	62	39		WRF PX	1.46	1.97	-0.13
10 -m Wind Speed	MM5 PX	35	35	56	49	10-m Wind	MM5 PX	1.39	1.84	-0.47
						Speed	WRF YSU	1.44	1.92	0.00
	WRF YSU	43	39	41	45		WRF MYJ	1.72	2.30	0.86
	WRF MYJ	68	66	38	34		WRF PX	33	49	8
10-m Wind Dir.	MM5 PX	22	22	43	N/A	10-m Wind	MM5PX	30	46	5
	WRF YSU	30	30	39	N/A	Dir.	WRF YSU	31	47	5
	WRF MYJ	47	47	48	N/A		WRF MYJ	33	50	9





IOA 0.91 0.90 0.910.910.86 0.86 0.84 0.85 0.53 0.55 0.50 0.53 N/A N/A N/A N/A

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Pleim Surface Layer (Pleim 2006, JAMC)

- Accurate and economical estimation of the flux-profile relationships
- For stable, linear functions of Webb (1970) and Dyer (1974) w/ coefficients recommended by Hogstrom (1988)
- For very stable a reduced slope is adopted to avoid decoupling with surface
- Difference between momentum and scalar fluxes by inclusion of quasi-laminar sublayer of resistance for scalar fluxes that is a function of molecular diffusivity



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