

CESM Load Balancing Development

Optimizer Study

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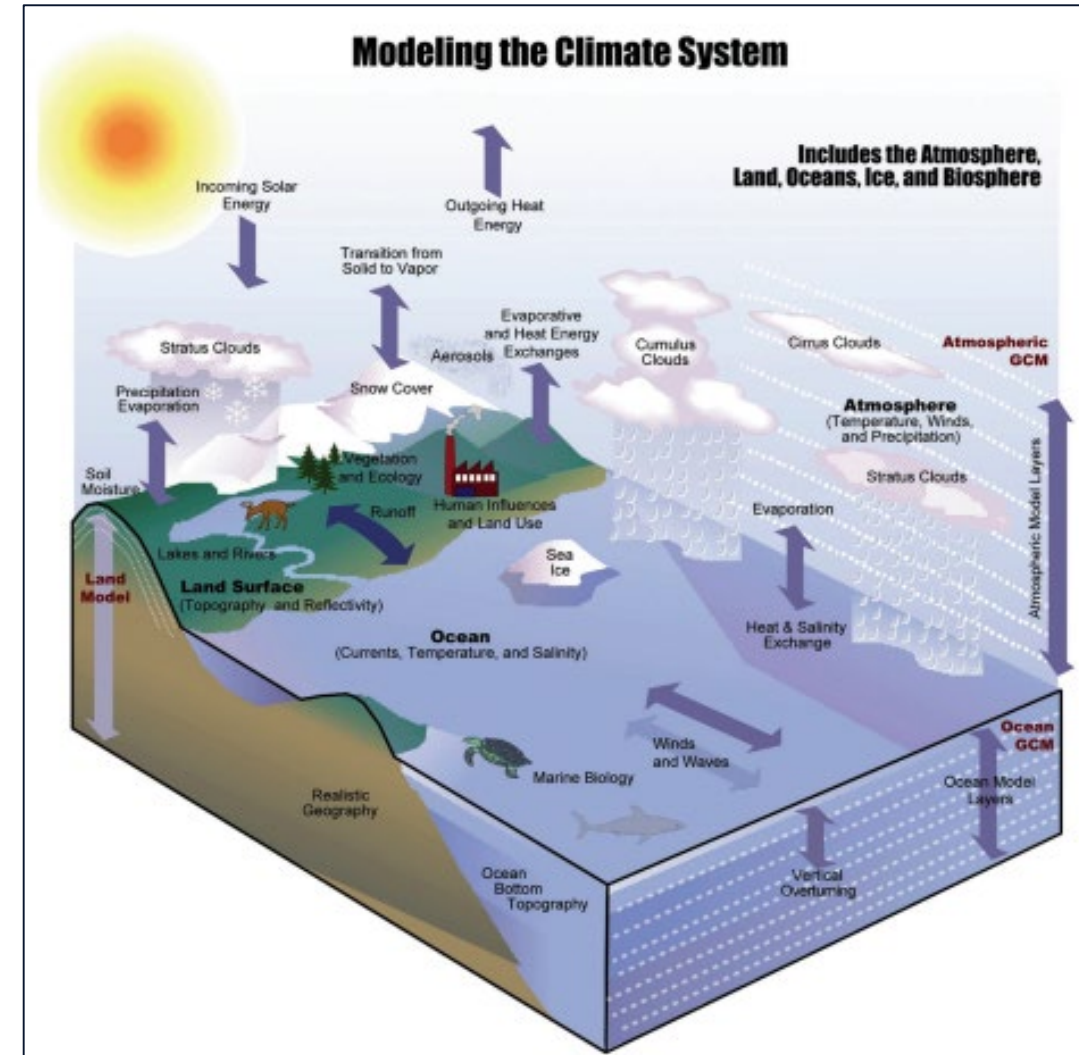
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Coupled Simulation

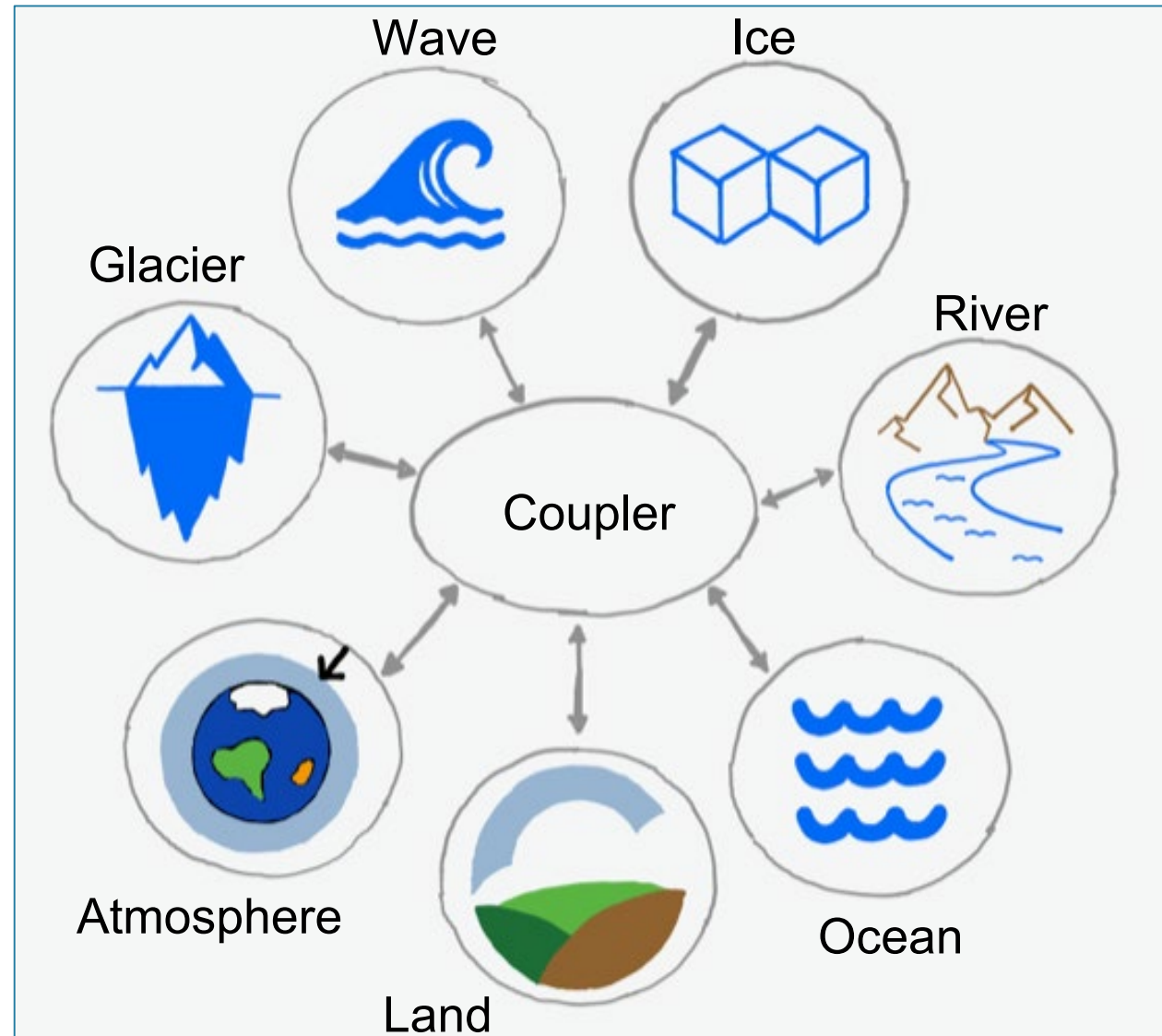
Coupled versus **standalone** approach:

- ✓ Time scales
- ✓ Mesh requirements
- ✓ Numerical methods
- ✓ Use of legacy codes



Modeling the climate system-Karl and Trenberth 2003.

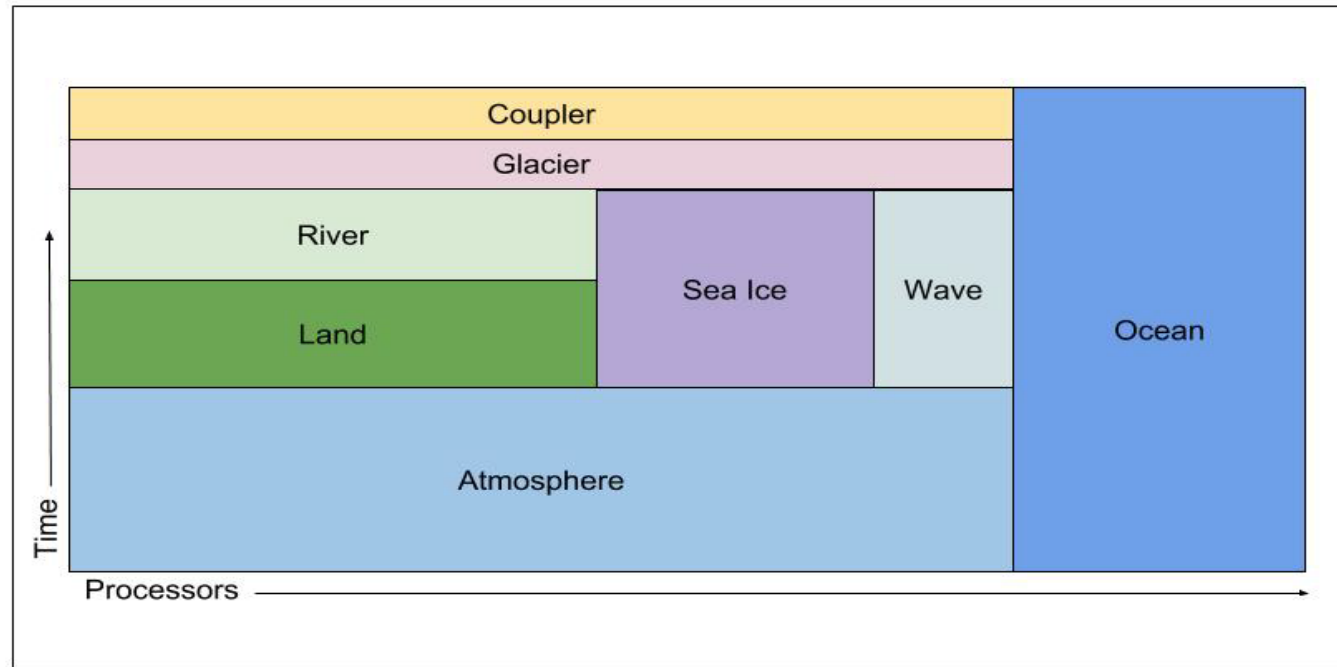
Community Earth System Model (CESM)



Challenges

Reaching high performance is challenging with CESM:

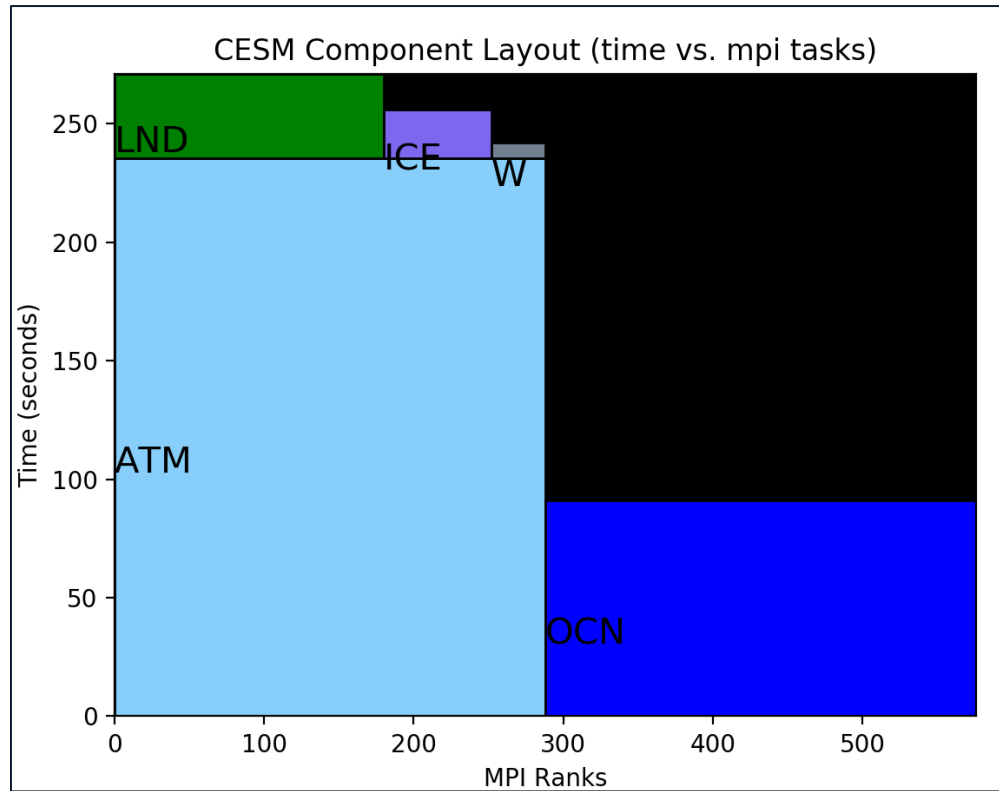
- ✗ Size of the problem
- ✗ Multi-component nature
- ✗ Scientific requirements



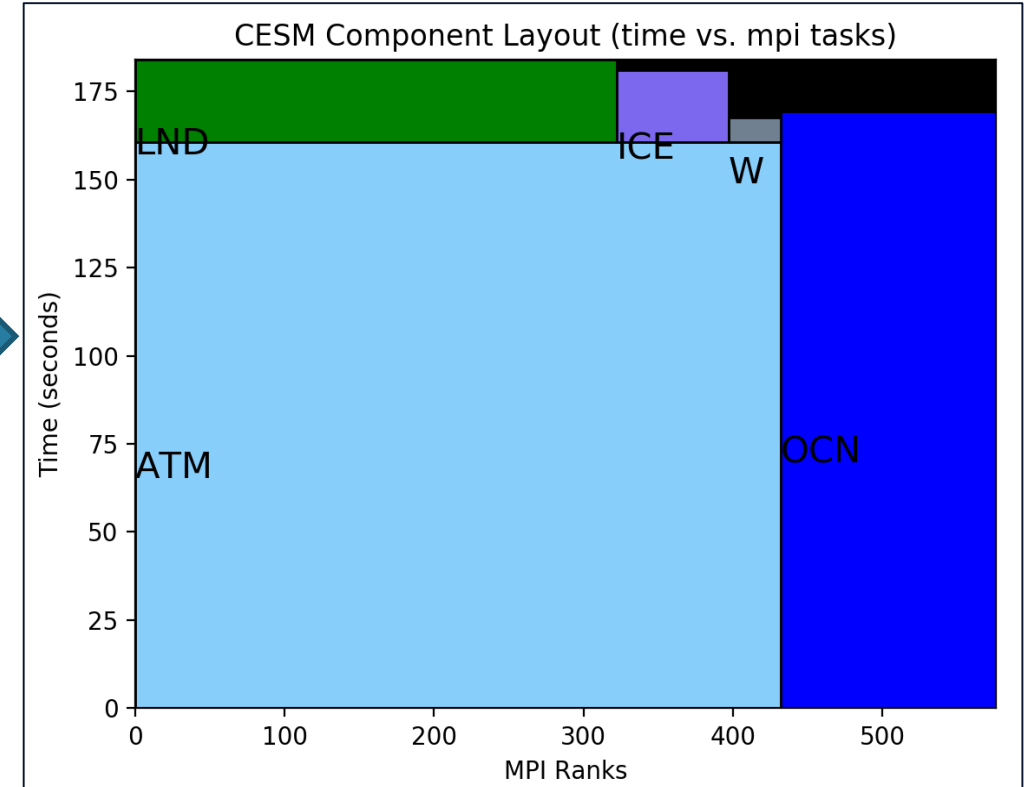
CESM Processor and timing layout - Sheri Mickelson 2020.

Motivation

Saves lots of core hours!!!



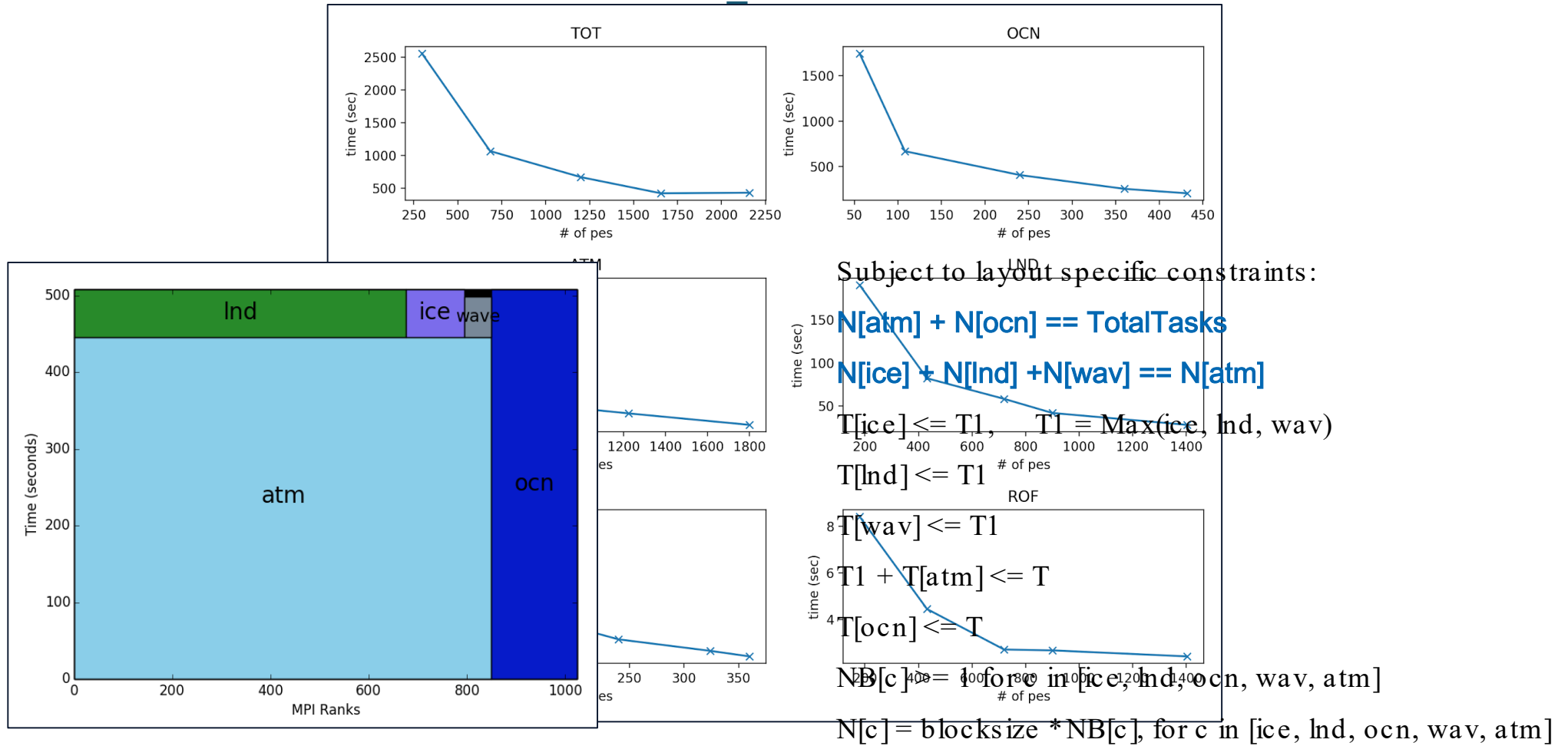
Unbalanced Layout



Balanced Layout

CESM Load Balancing

1) Getting benchmarking data.



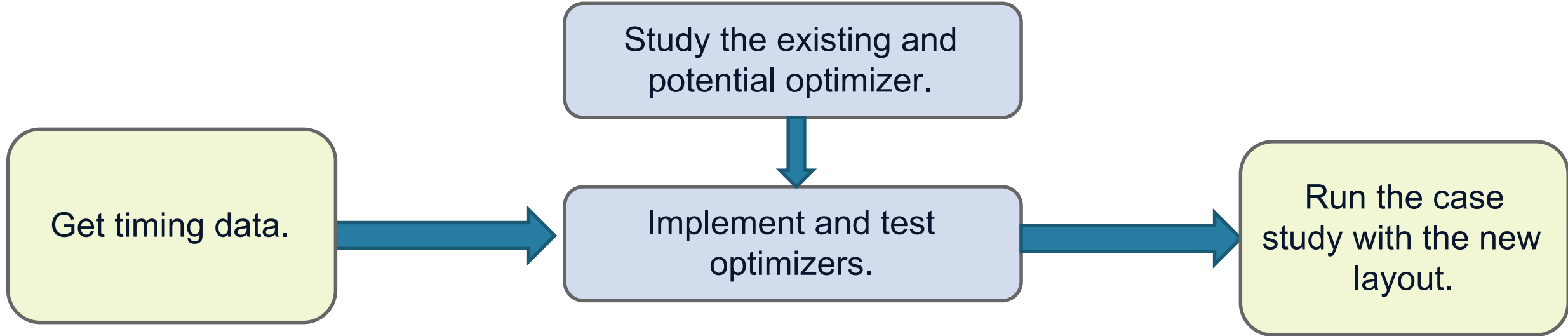
CESM component scalability plots - Sheri Mickelson 2020.

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Project Goals

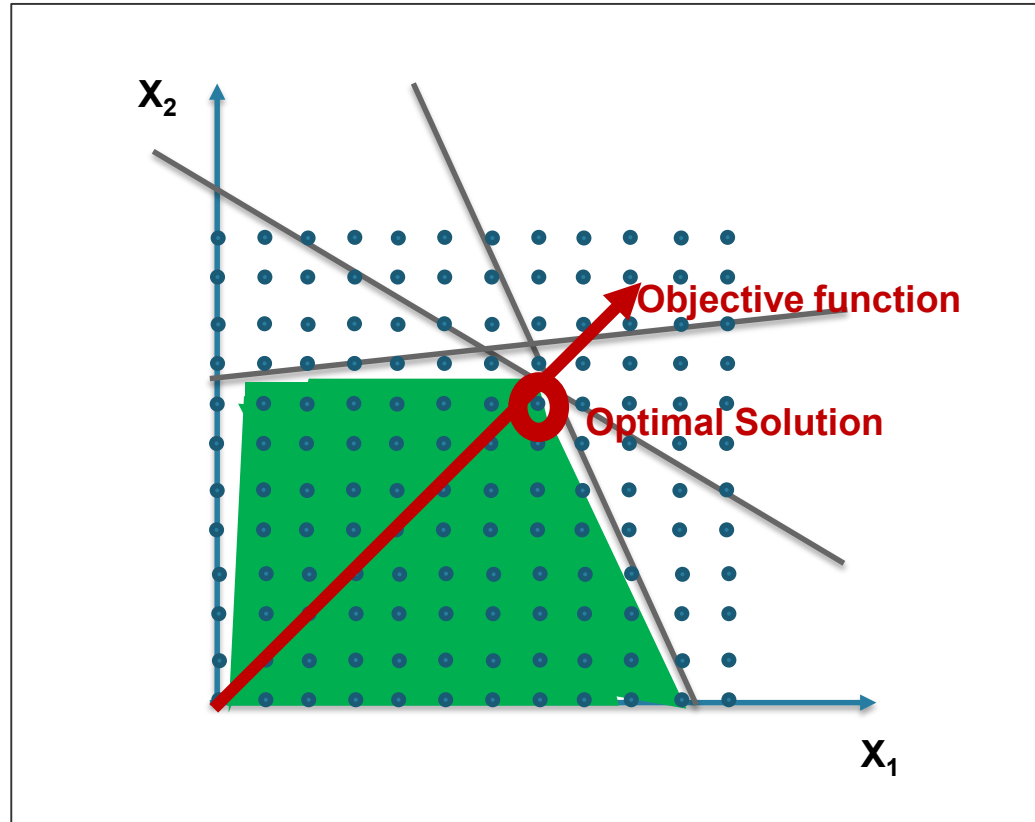
Study the potential automatic load balancing capability for CESM.



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Mixed Integer Linear Programming (MILP)



Optimizer Options

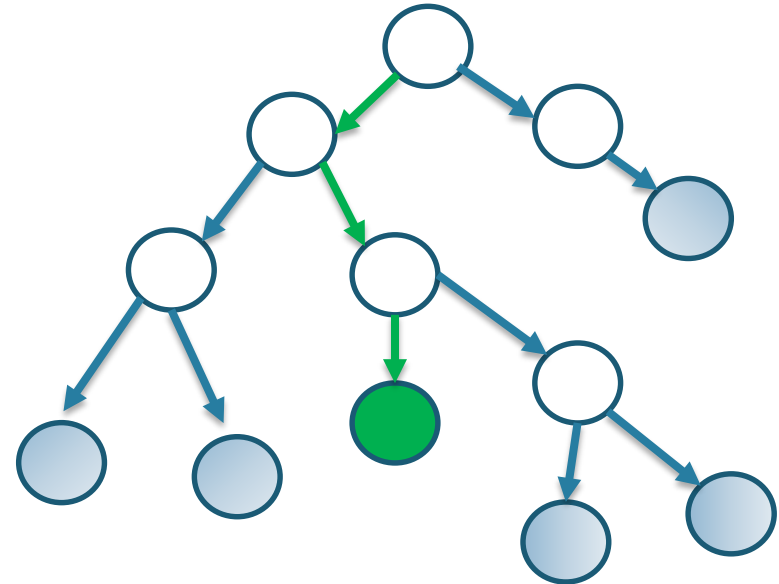
➤ Selected open source optimizers:

1) PuLP

- ✓ COIN-OR - **(CBC)** - Branch and Cut
- ✓ GNU Linear Programming Kit **(GLPK)** – Branch and Bound

2) SciPy

- ✓ CVXOPT - **(GLPK)** - Branch and Bound



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Case Study

➤ 5-day Runs

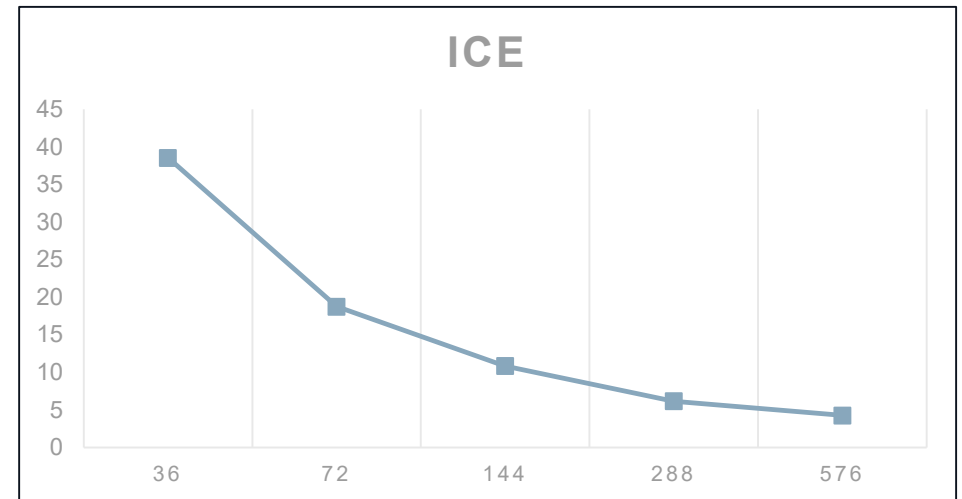
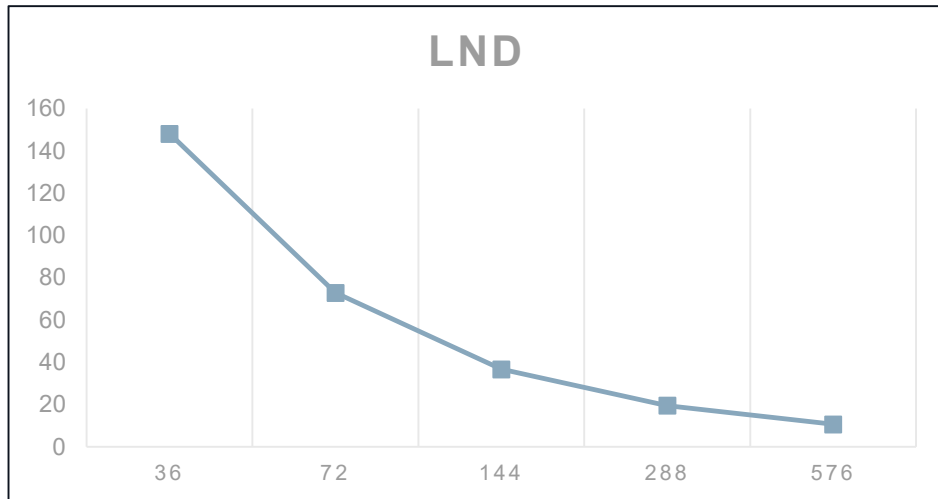
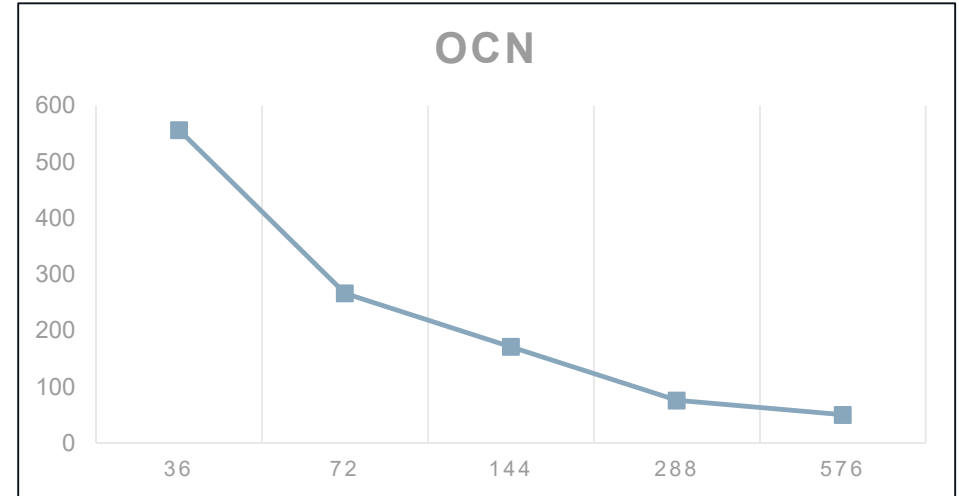
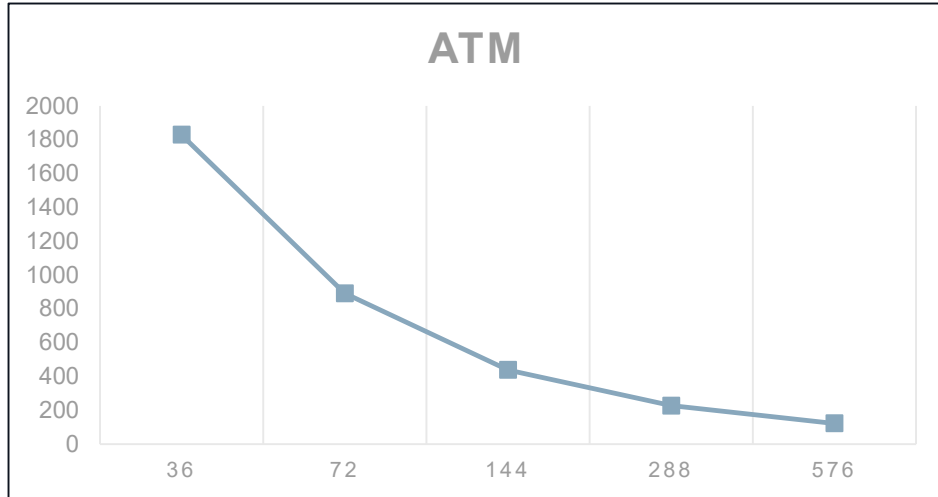
Compset	Scientific Grid	Mesh Resolution
B1850	f09_g17	1deg ATM = 192 x 288 x 32 1deg OCN = 320 x 394 x 60

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Performance Curves

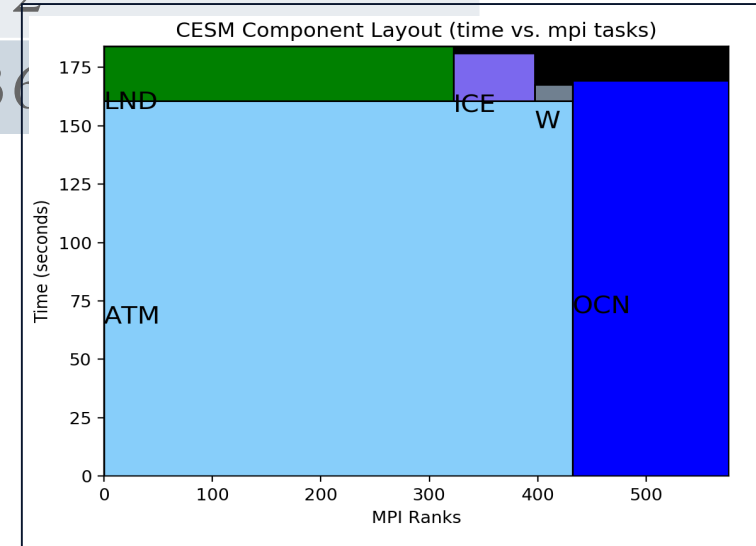
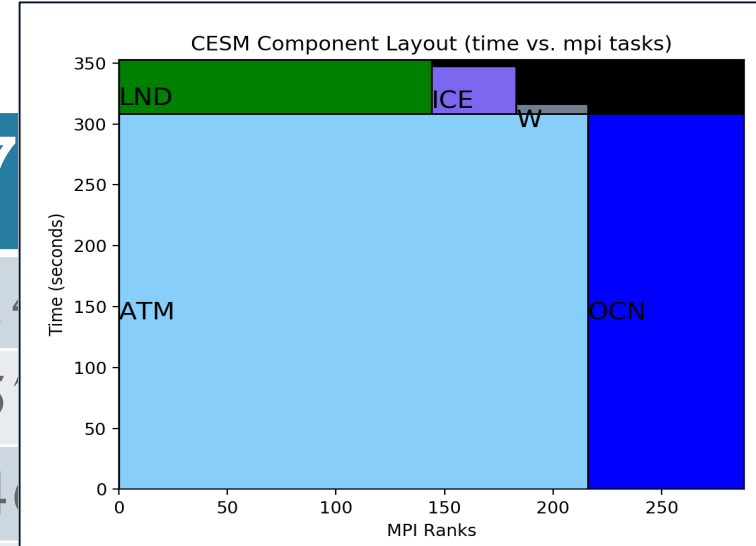
➤ B1850-1degATM/1degOCN (5 day run)



Optimizer Layouts

➤ B1850-1degATM/1degOCN (5 day run)

Total Number of Processors	288	576	720
OCN	72	144	144
ATM	216	432	512
LND	144	322	400
ICE	39	75	72
WAV	33	35	36



Comparison with Baseline

➤ B1850-1degATM/1degOCN (5 day run)

Relative to Baseline (720 -core run)			
	288	576	720
Total time (s)	1.94	1.06	1.00
Cost/year	0.78	0.85	1.00

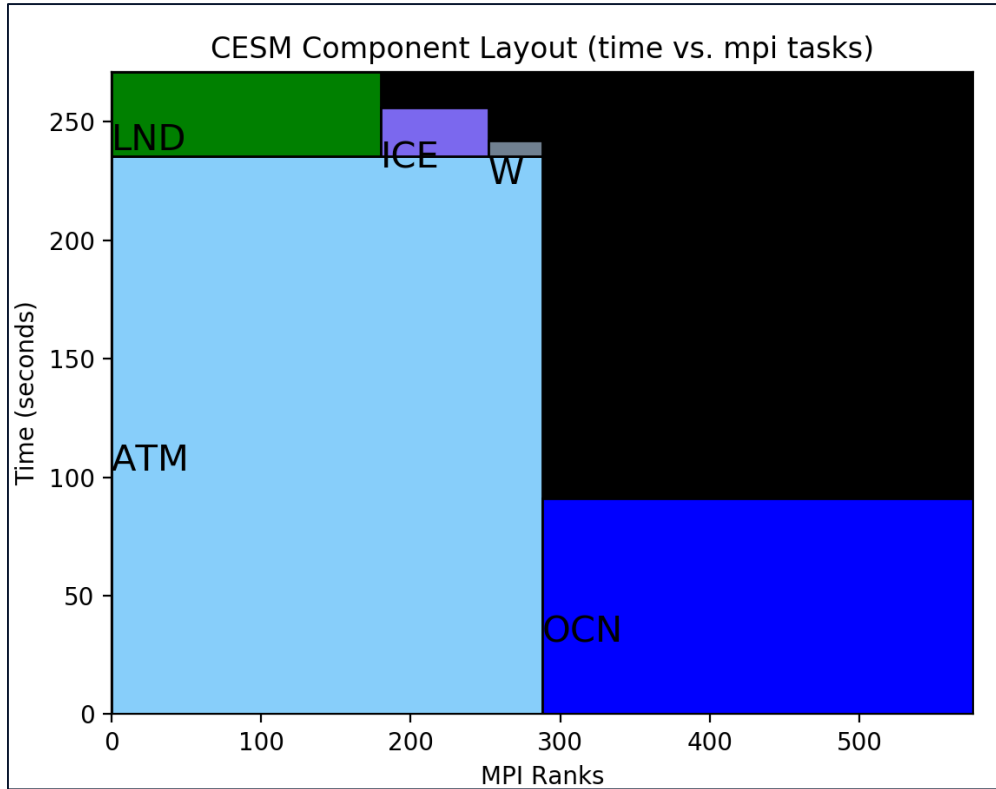
576-core vs 720 -core

40.23 secs/day vs 38.04 secs/day

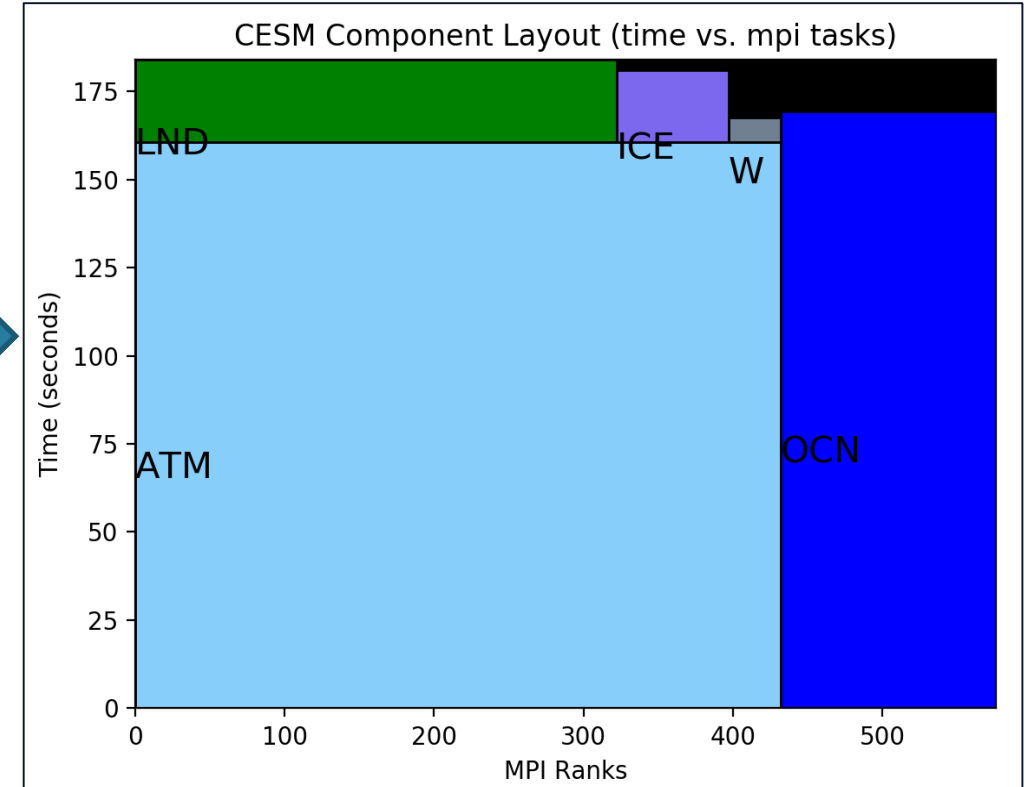
6% slower but 15% more efficient!

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Conclusions and Future Work

- ✓ Researched and implemented candidate optimizers.
- ✓ Benchmarked the different optimizers for a typical and widely used compsets.

Future Work

- ✓ Use the Load balancer and optimizer on more cases.
- ✓ Add other components (GLC and River) to the optimization problem.
- ✓ Research on more accurate algorithms for creating scalability curves.
- ✓ Try modeling the optimization problem as a non-linear problem.

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