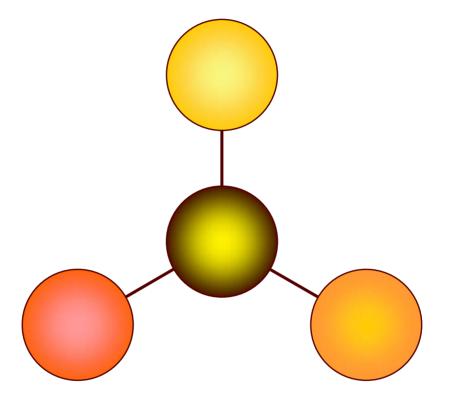


HEPEX .. It is your **HEPEX!!**

Let's build it







What is the goal? Where are we going?

- Shall we start from the testbeds?
- If yes .. Is it OK if we define a testbed in terms of:
 - Geographical location/river
 - Scientific problem(s) it aims to address
 - Resources: manpower, data, infrastructure, money
 - ??
- If not, from where shall we start?





Testbeds

- T1: Great Lakes (V Fortin)
- T2: South-East US (E Wood)
- T3: Western US basins (A Wood, T Pagano & F Weber)
- T4: Rio Grande basin Brazil (C Tucci)
- T5: Probabilistic methods for Hydro^{al} simulations (M Clark)
- T6: A European basin [maybe Po'] (J Thielen)
- T7: Ganges and Brahmaputra basins (T Hopson)
- * T8: NAME region (D Gochis & S Mullen)
- T9: Downscaling (M Clark)
- Others: Africa (AMMA)? China?





Testbed 1: Great Lakes, US-Canadian basin (V Fortin)

What is available:

- meteo-forcings, data (soil, ..)
- Verification data (gauges) available

Scientific question(s):

- Can we gain by doing dynamical downscaling?
- How do ensemble precip fcs verify over the lakes?

Spatial/time scales:

Two focuses: weekly fcs & longer terms

Deliverables/milestones:

Within 1y to have an ensemble hydrological ensemble prediction system

Participants/users:

Users: hydropower comp, civil prot agencies,





Testbed 2: Selected South-East US basins (E Wood)

What is available:

- meteo-forcings, data (soil, ..)
- Verification data (gauges) available

Scientific question(s):

– Can we make valuable ensemble hydrological predictions?

Spatial/time scales:

Short and long time ranges, 1-2 basins

Deliverables/milestones:

- Answer to some scientific questions related to HEPEX
- Sensitivity to initial conditions, models, ...





Testbed 3: Western US basins (A Wood, T Pagano & F Weber)

What is available:

Forcings, verification data, hist data, ...

Scientific question(s):

– How can we get hydrological ensemble capture all sources of uncertainties?

Spatial/time scales:

1-14 days, operationally oriented

Deliverables/milestones:

Operational real-time forecasts in ~1y





Testbed 4: Rio Grande basin Brazil (C Tucci)

What is available:

- Hydro data, land use, reservoir data,
- Some data on operation management

Scientific question(s):

 Dowscaling: can weather/climate forecasts be improved using 'better' downscaling methods?

Spatial/time scales:

Time: Short- (1-2 weeks) and long-terms (up to 6m)

Deliverables/milestones:

Improve upon existing stochastic models, in ~1y

Participants/users:

Main user is Operational National System and hydropower Co





Testbed 5: Probabilistic methods for Hydro^{al} simulations (M Clark)

What is available:

All model input data over US

Scientific question(s):

Input uncertainty into hydrological probabilistic models

Spatial/time scales:

Spatial: small basis (<1000km2)

Temporal: few hours

Deliverables/milestones:

Papers, reports, techniques,





Testbed 6: A European basin [maybe Po'] (J Thielen)

What is available:

Meteorological forcing, meteo and discharge obs, catchment data, soil, ...

Scientific question(s):

- How to improve meso-scale medium-range flood forecasting using ensemble methods
- What can be achieved with the current data and state-of-the-art models?

Spatial/time scales:

Meso-scale, medium-range (t<10d, X>1000km2)

Deliverables/milestones:

Participants/users:

Meteo- and flood forecasting centres, hydrological authorities, research institutes





Testbed 7: Ganges and Brahmaputra basins (T Hopson)

What is available:

- Meteo data (if ECMWF approves), sparse rain gauge data, satellite data, discharge data
- 2 hydrological models

Scientific question(s):

Can forecasts be improved using hydrological data-assimilation

Spatial/time scales:

Large spatial scale (>500k Km2) - Time scale: 10-20 days

Deliverables/milestones:

Data assimilation system in ~1y

Participants/users:

Bangladesh government and international aid organizations





Testbed 8: NAME region (D Gochis & S Mullen)

What is available:

- Typical meteo, and hydrological data
- Some intense obs periods
- Radar and other remote-sensing data

Scientific question(s):

- How should downscaling be done in a semi-tropical, semi-arid region
- Study of warm-season predictability

Spatial/time scales:

Time: short (<1d) to season (1m) – Spatial: 100 to 10000km2

Deliverables/milestones:

- Data, streamflow, forecast data .. Better water resource management
- Report, paper, ..





Testbed 9: Downscaling (M Clark)

What is available:

TIGGE data (to be provided)

Scientific question(s):

 Which is the best way to extract information from atmospheric model for hydrological applications?

Spatial/time scales:

Spatial: small, local, grid-point scales – Temporal: hourly

Deliverables/milestones:

Methods and synthesis, algorithm

