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How to run an simple experiment

Before you start this tutorial make sure that WRF4G is correctly installed on your machine. To do so follow the [Installation instructions](#)

Start wrf4g_framework and list computing resources

Firstly, check if [WRF4G framework](#) is running:

```
[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_framework status
DRM4G (GridWay) is NOT running
WRF4G_DB (MySQL) NOT running
```

if WRF4G framework is not running, you should execute:

```
[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_framework start
Starting DRM4G (GridWay) .... OK
Starting WRF4G_DB (MySQL) ... OK
```

By doing this, you will start the services that manage the CR and keep track of the experiments.

Note that if you do not start `wrf4g_framework`, you won not be able to work with WRF4G.

By default, WRF4G framework is configured to use the computer where WRF4G has been installed. In order to list the CR available, run the following command:

```
[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_resources
HID PRIO OS          ARCH  NODES(U/F/T) LRMS      HOSTNAME
0   1   GNU/Linux2.6.32 x86_64      0/1/1 FORK      mycomputer
```

If you want to modify your CRs see [framework4g.conf](#)

Prepare and submit the test experiment

Go to the directory where the experiment configuration files are located:

```
[user@localhost ~]$ cd $WRF4G_LOCATION/experiments/single_test
```

Edit [experiment.wrf4g](#) and check its configuration. If you want to know more information about this experiment, you should see [resources.wrf4g](#) as well.

Run [wrf4g_prepare](#) to prepare the experiment:

```
[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_prepare
Preparing namelist...
WRFV3/run/namelist.input
WRF Check Warning: CAM radiation selected but paerlev/levsiz/cam_abs_dim1/cam_abs_dim2 was not set. Fixing...
WRF Check Warning: radt is shorter than dx (0.500000)

---> Single params run
---> Continuous run
    ---> cycle_chunks: test 2011-08-28_12:00:00 2011-08-30_00:00:00
        ---> chunks 1: test 2011-08-28_12:00:00 2011-08-29_00:00:00
        ---> chunks 2: test 2011-08-29_00:00:00 2011-08-29_12:00:00
        ---> chunks 3: test 2011-08-29_12:00:00 2011-08-30_00:00:00
```

Check the experiment status with [wrf4g_status](#). You will see that the experiment is in P (Prepared status).

```
[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status
Experiment P  W  R  D  F
```

```
test      1  0  0  0  0

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        -   P    0/3      -   -      Prepared     -  0.00
```

Submit the experiment with [wrf4g_submit](#) and check the status for a minute. You will see how the status of the experiment change into: submitted, downloading input data, ungrib, metgrid, real and wrf.

```
[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_submit
Submitting realization: "test"
    Submitting Chunk 1:    2011-08-28_12:00:00    2011-08-29_00:00:00
    Submitting Chunk 2:    2011-08-29_00:00:00    2011-08-29_12:00:00
    Submitting Chunk 3:    2011-08-29_12:00:00    2011-08-30_00:00:00

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status
Experiment P  W  R  D  F
test      0  1  0  0  0

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        0   W  1/3      -   -      Submitted     -  0.00

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        0   W  1/3      -   localhost  ungrib        -  0.00

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        0   W  1/3      -   localhost  metgrid       -  0.00

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        0   R  1/3    mycomputer  localhost  real          -  0.00

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        0   R  1/3    mycomputer  localhost  WRF          -  0.00

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        0   R  2/3    mycomputer  localhost  Submitted     - 33.33

[user@localhost ~]$ wrf4g_status --long
Realization  GW  Stat Chunks  Comp.Res  WN      Run.Sta      ext  %
test        0   R  3/3    mycomputer  localhost  Finished      0 100.00
```

The experiment has to finish with **ext** option **0** which means it has finalized correctly. If **ext** has a different code, you can look up more information about it in [WRF4G errors](#)

Check the experiment output and log

The location where output and log files are stored is defined with the WRF4G_BASEPATH variable in [resources.wrf4g](#). Check `$WRF4G_LOCATION/etc/resources.wrf4g` to find where `$WRF4G_BASEPATH` is pointing. You will see that it is pointing to `$WRF4G_LOCATION/repository/output`. Go to `$WRF4G_LOCATION/repository/output/test/test` and see the directory structure and the output files.

```

[user@mycomputer~]$ ls -lh $WRF4G_LOCATION/repository/output/test/test/output
total 420K
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 6.2K 2011-10-28 12:40 wrf24hc_d01_20110828T120000Z_20110828T120000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 6.2K 2011-10-28 12:41 wrf24hc_d01_20110829T000000Z_20110829T000000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 6.2K 2011-10-28 12:43 wrf24hc_d01_20110829T120000Z_20110829T120000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 14K 2011-10-28 12:40 wrfout_d01_20110828T120000Z_20110828T180000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 11K 2011-10-28 12:40 wrfout_d01_20110828T210000Z_20110829T000000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 14K 2011-10-28 12:41 wrfout_d01_20110829T000000Z_20110829T060000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 11K 2011-10-28 12:41 wrfout_d01_20110829T090000Z_20110829T120000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 14K 2011-10-28 12:43 wrfout_d01_20110829T120000Z_20110829T180000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 11K 2011-10-28 12:43 wrfout_d01_20110829T210000Z_20110830T000000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 3.4K 2011-10-28 12:40 wrfrain_d01_20110828T190000Z_20110828T190000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 3.4K 2011-10-28 12:41 wrfrain_d01_20110829T070000Z_20110829T070000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 3.4K 2011-10-28 12:43 wrfrain_d01_20110829T190000Z_20110829T190000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 99K 2011-10-28 12:40 wrfxtrm_d01_20110828T120000Z_20110829T000000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 99K 2011-10-28 12:41 wrfxtrm_d01_20110829T000000Z_20110829T120000Z.nc
-rw-rw-r-- 1 user user 99K 2011-10-28 12:43 wrfxtrm_d01_20110829T120000Z_20110830T000000Z.nc

[user@localhost ~]$ tree $WRF4G_LOCATION/repository/output/test/test
.
??? log
?   ??? log_1_1.tar.gz
?   ??? log_2_2.tar.gz
?   ??? log_3_3.tar.gz
??? namelist.input
??? output
?   ??? wrfout_d01_19830825T120000Z_19830825T233000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfout_d01_19830826T000000Z_19830826T000000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfout_d01_19830826T000000Z_19830826T113000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfout_d01_19830826T120000Z_19830826T120000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfout_d01_19830826T120000Z_19830826T233000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfout_d01_19830827T000000Z_19830827T000000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfrain_d01_19830826T000000Z_19830826T000000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfrain_d01_19830826T120000Z_19830826T120000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfrain_d01_19830827T000000Z_19830827T000000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfxtrm_d01_19830825T120000Z_19830825T233000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfxtrm_d01_19830826T000000Z_19830826T000000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfxtrm_d01_19830826T000000Z_19830826T113000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfxtrm_d01_19830826T120000Z_19830826T120000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfxtrm_d01_19830826T120000Z_19830826T233000Z.nc
?   ??? wrfxtrm_d01_19830827T000000Z_19830827T000000Z.nc
??? realout
??? restart
    ??? wrfrst_d01_19830826T000000Z.nc
    ??? wrfrst_d01_19830826T120000Z.nc
    ??? wrfrst_d01_19830827T000000Z.nc

```

In order to improve your knowledge about **WRF4G**, move on to the [second part of this tutorial](#)