Problem Solving Environment for Flood Forecasting[1]

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Abstract

This paper presents a prototype of the Collaborative Problem Solving Environment for Flood Forecasting. Flood forecasting is a complex problem that requires cooperation of many scientists in different areas. To enable this cooperation in a manner comfortable to hydrometeorological experts, a part of the CrossGrid project is aimed towards developing a PSE, whose prototype is described here. The PSE consists of a cascade of simulation models, a storage system for computed and measured data and other used datasets, a web-based portal with collaboration tools and a powerful computation facility. The whole system is tied together by Grid technology and is used to support a virtual organization of experts, developers and users.

1. Introduction

In this paper we present a prototype of a collaborative problem solving environment [1] intended to support a virtual organization for flood forecasting. Over the past few years, floods have caused severe damages throughout

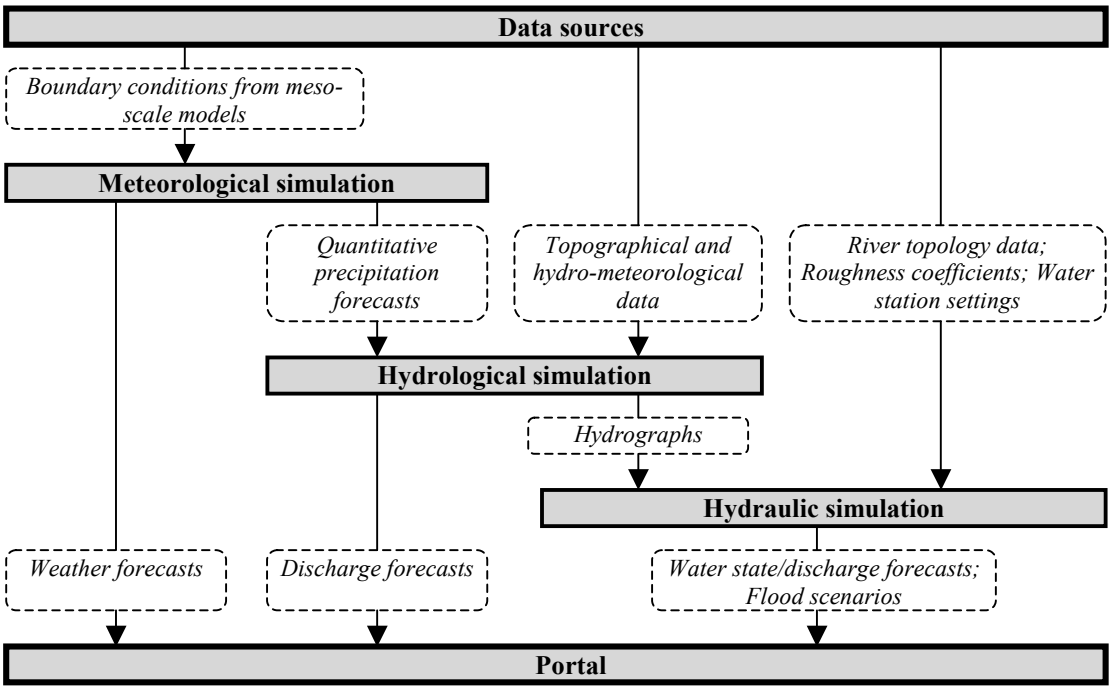

Fig. 1 Cascaded simulation scheme

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