



EMC FY15 Upgrade Review

GEFS Upgrade (V11)

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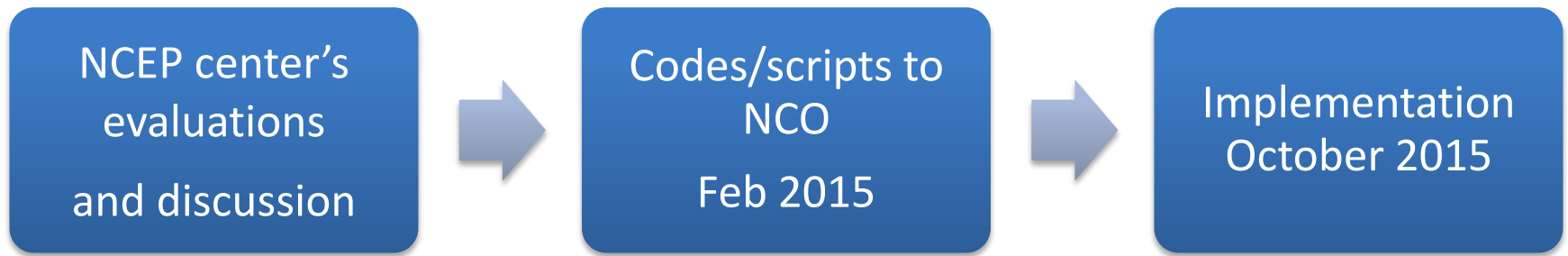
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GEFS Configuration

	V10.0.0 (OPR)	V11.0.0 (PARA)
GFS Model	Euler, 2012	Semi-Lagrangian, 2015
Resolution 0-192 h	T254 (52km) L42 (hybrid)	T _L 574 (34km) L64 (hybrid)
Resolution 192-384 h	T190 (70km) L42 (hybrid)	T _L 382 (52km) L64 (hybrid)
Computational Cost	105 nodes (in peak)	300 nodes 1 st segment 150 nodes 2 nd segment
Execution time	~ 60 min	35 min 1 st segment 25 min 2 nd segment
Output resolution	1 ^o x 1 ^o	0.5 ^o x 0.5 ^o and 1 ^o x 1 ^o
Output frequency	6h	3h the first 8 days; 6h the rest

Schedule



Working with partners and centers to keep on schedule

Continue generation and evaluation of control member reforecast and retrospective ensemble forecast

WCROSS-phase II

Ensemble Generation Method

- Moving from BV-ETR approach to EnKF
 - A major scientific shift
- Unification of DA and Ensemble Generation
 - Direct link to the hybrid 3D-Var EnKF DA system
- Perturbations are 6h EnKF forecasts with adjustments:
 - Tropical Storm Relocation
 - Centering of the perturbations on the ensemble control analysis
- Stochastic perturbation (STTP) upgrade
 - Fine-tune amplitude for changes in model and perturbation method
 - Turn off surface pressure perturbations for tropics
 - to reduce the spread growing of geopotential height

Expected improvements

- Hurricane track forecast
 - Main reason: DA/model and spatial resolutions
- Probabilistic forecast guidance
 - Main reason: DA/model and spatial resolution, EnKF initial perturbations, stochastic physics and re-forecast
- Prediction of extreme weather events
 - Main reason: DA/model and stochastic perturbations

GEFS legacy forecast

- Next GEFS implementation will be scheduled for WCOSS phase II (Q4FY15)
 - NCO will continue to run current operational GEFS (with BV-ETR cycling every 6 hours, **but 00UTC forecast only**) for one year (or longer?)
 - Current: 21 members, 00, 06, 12, 18UTC
 - Future: 21 members, 00UTC, initially on WCOSS Phase I (eventually move to Phase II)
 - Timing for legacy data delivery
 - Current: +4:50
 - Future: +4:50 to +8:00, depending on NCO resource analysis
 - Data directory for access (NCEP ftp, under discussion)
 - Current directory: .../com/gefs/prod/....
 - Future directory: .../com/gefs_legacy/prod/....
 - Data names
 - Will be the same, but in the different directory
 - No statistical bias correction
 - Raw ensemble forecast data only
 - Any products not identified by OHD, CPC and MDL as required will be stopped
 - AWIPS:
 - Only data from the new GEFS will be made available on NOAA/PORT/SBN for use in AWIPS

Limited Reforecast (retrospective)

- There is no real time GEFS reforecast for this implementation.
- Based on communications with WPC, CPC, SPC, NWC, MDL and other users. EMC will provide:
 - 2-years retrospective runs (00UTC and 12UTC)
 - From May 15 2013 to the time of implementation (nearly 2 years)
 - Expect to be available: Mid of March 2015
 - Forecasts have been done, NCO was helping to run part of retrospective cases
 - 18 years ensemble control only reforecast
 - Year 1995-2012
 - 00UTC and every other day
 - Forecasts has been finished, OHD has received the data
 - 18 years ensemble reforecast for CPC (on going)
 - Year 1995-2012
 - 00UTC and every 4 days
 - NCO will run them in production machine
 - Starting from mid-July
 - All data will be saved in HPSS tapes
 - NCO to publish part of data: pgrba data at 1.0 degree, every 6 hours, out to 16 days for public access (2-year retrospective runs).
 - Note: EMC and NWC will continue to discuss a configuration of GEFS reforecast
 - Half day meeting will be scheduled in later July
 - One full day workshop will plan in September

2-year (plus) GEFS (V11.0) retrospective data posted (3/12/15)

Short description of the data

In late August/early September 2015, the NCEP Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS) will be updated. In preparation for this upgrade, NCEP has rerun nearly two years GEFS retrospective forecast data, and is offering a sample dataset for our customers' evaluation.

A summary of the scientific details of the GEFS upgrade are listed in Table 1. More details of the upgrade are available at:

http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/yzhu/html/imp/201412_imp.html

Below are highlights of the retrospective dataset:

- Data is available at:
<http://para.nomads.ncep.noaa.gov/pub/data/nccf/retrospective/gefs/>
- Directory and file:
 - Retrospective runs will be available for May 15, 2013 through the present. There is also the potential to provide data from Summer 2012 if there is interest.
 - *note that the data is being actively sent to the server now, we expect the full dataset to be available by late April*
 - For each day, only the 00Z forecast is available
 - There are about 1495 files in each directory - only the "pgrb2a" files
 - 20 perturbed forecasts (gep01.*, gep02.*, ..., gep20.*)
 - 1 un-perturbed forecast (gec00.*)
 - Ensemble mean (geavg.*)
 - Ensemble spread (gespr.*)
 - 65 lead times (*f00, *f06, *f12, ..., *f384; every 6 hours)
 - Each file contains 80 variables (see table 1)
- Data format: GRIB II
- Data resolution: 1*1 degree global

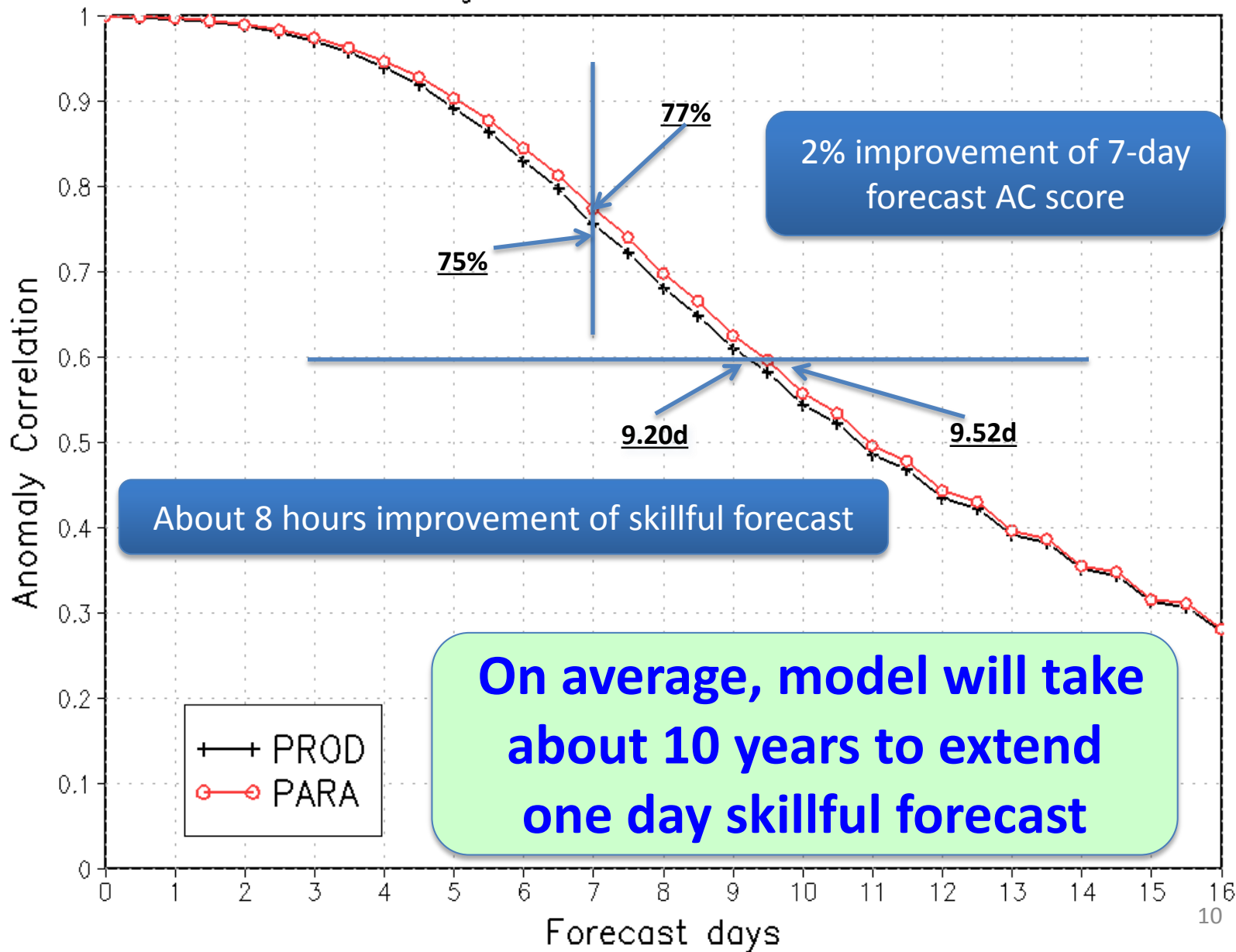
As this is the first time we are offering retrospective data in this manner, we ask that our users contact NCEP Central Operations and let us know your intended use of this data. This will help us determine the level of interest in providing future retrospective data. Please send an email to Rebecca.Cosgrove@noaa.gov indicating your interest in and intended use of the data.

EMC evaluations of two-year (+) retrospective runs

**June 1st 2013 – May 31st 2015
and
Summer of 2011 and 2012**

685 cases

Northern Hemisphere 500hPa Height Ensemble Mean Anomaly Correlation Average For 20130516 – 20150331



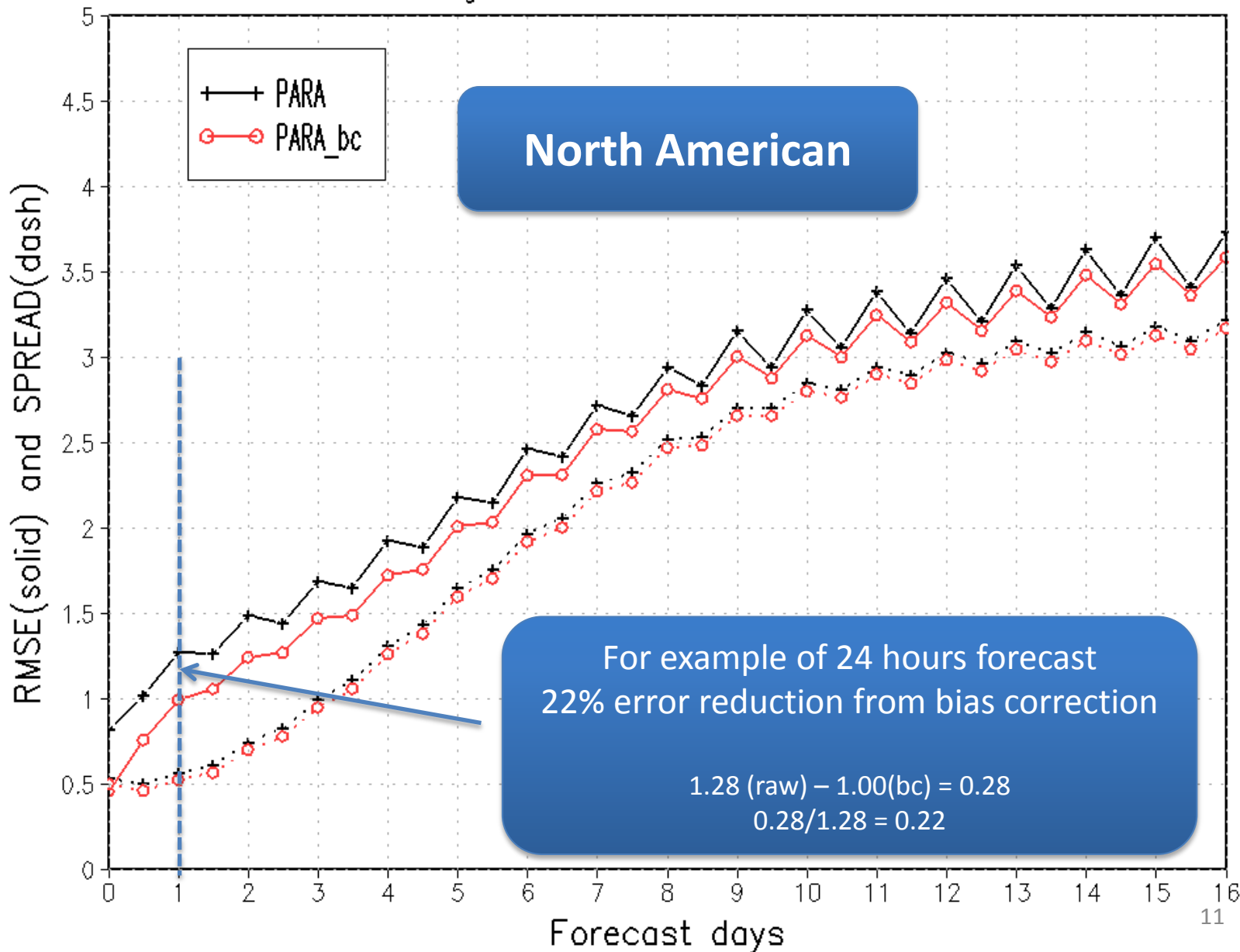
2% improvement of 7-day
forecast AC score

About 8 hours improvement of skillful forecast

On average, model will take
about 10 years to extend
one day skillful forecast

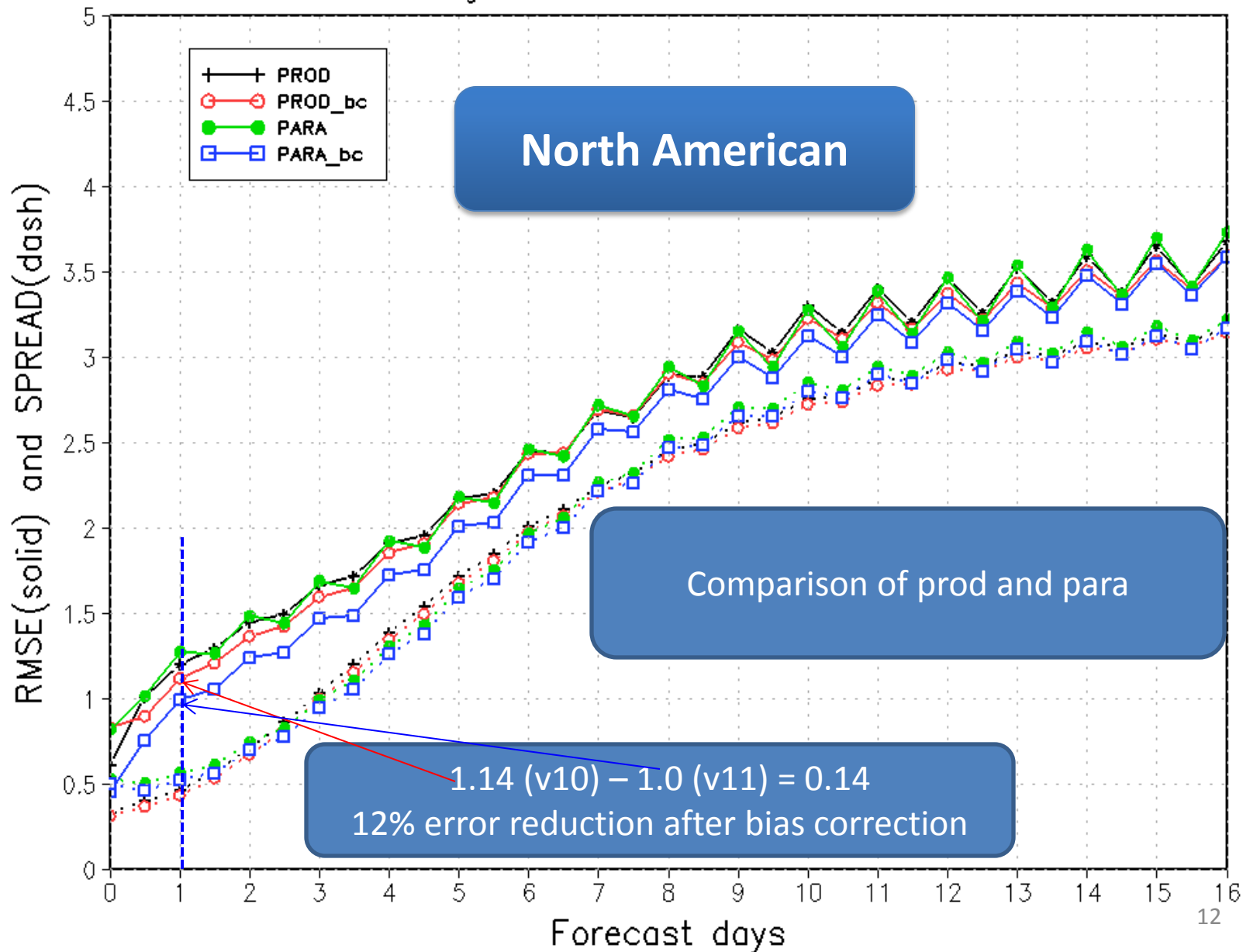
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North American 2 Meter Temp.
Ensemble Mean RMSE and Ensemble SPREAD
Average For 20130615 – 20140615



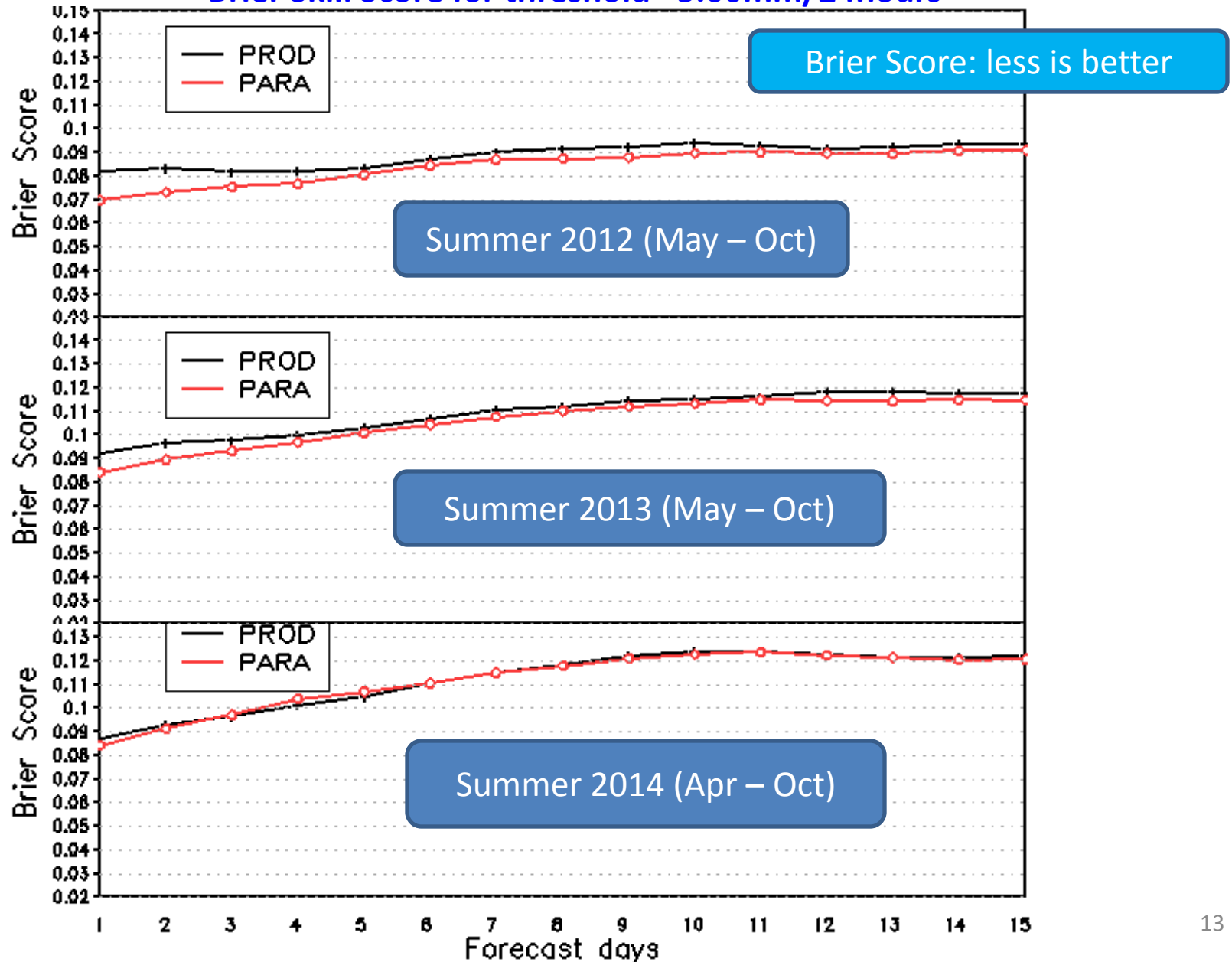
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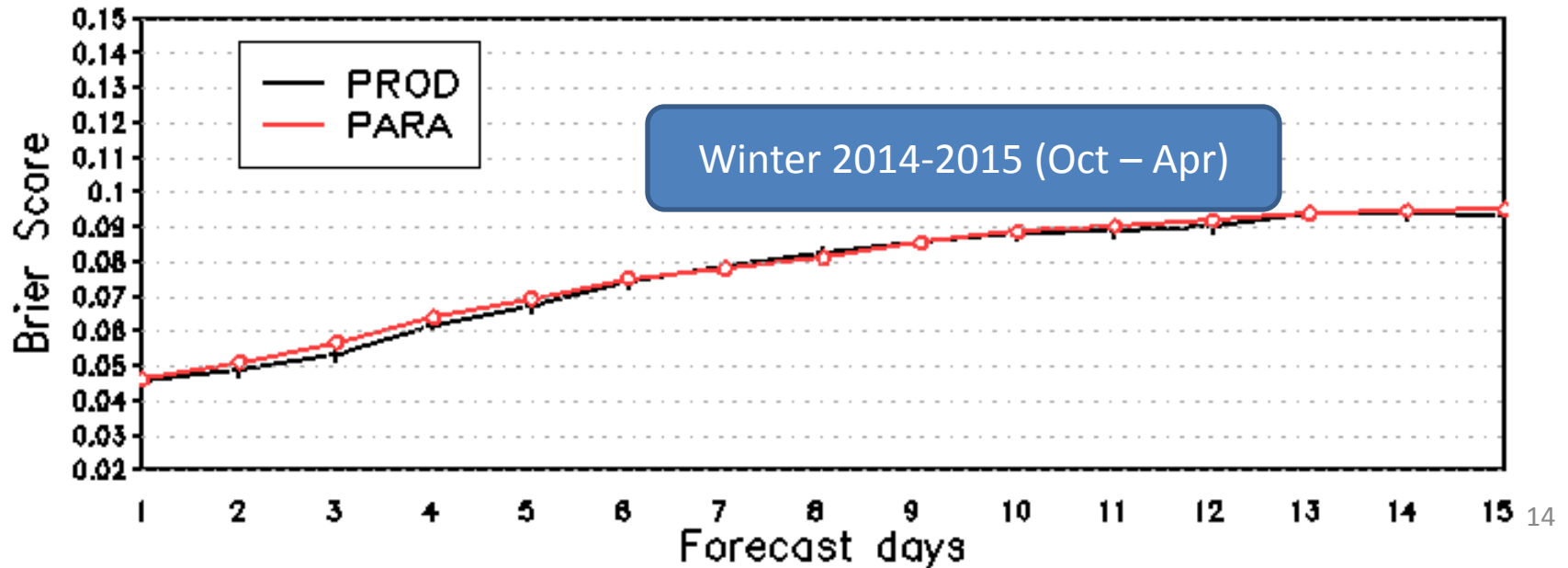
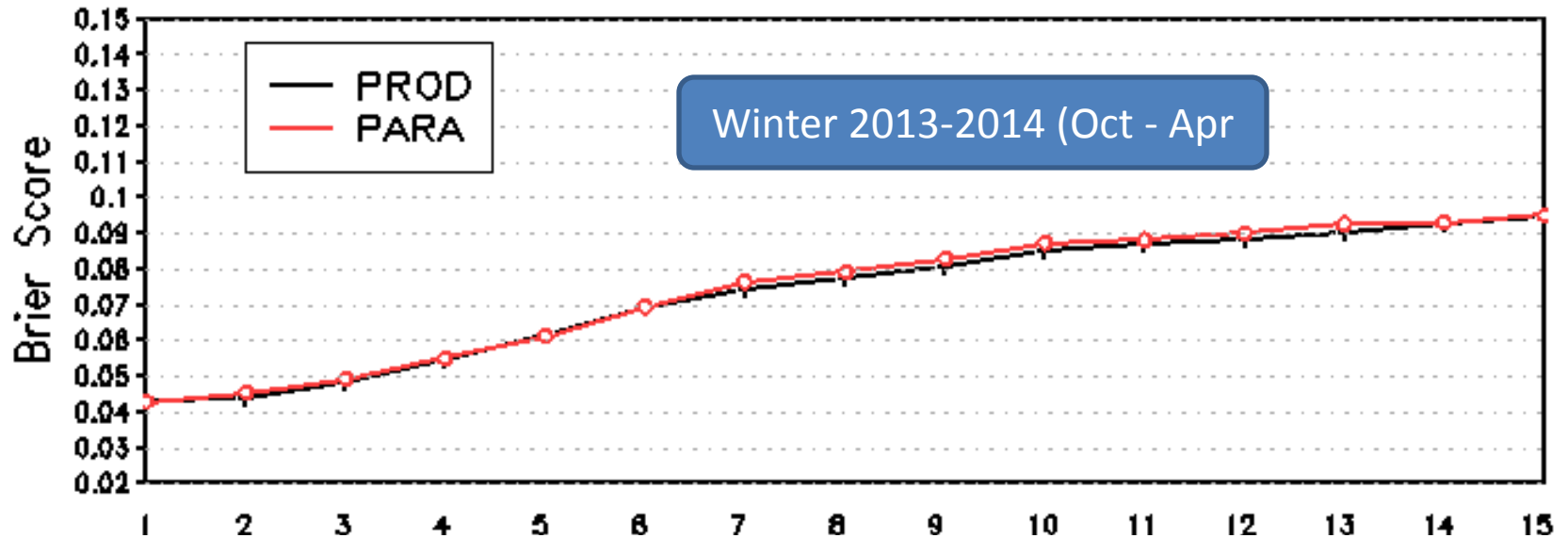
Ensemble Precipitation Verification for CONUS

Brier Skill Score for threshold >5.00mm/24hours



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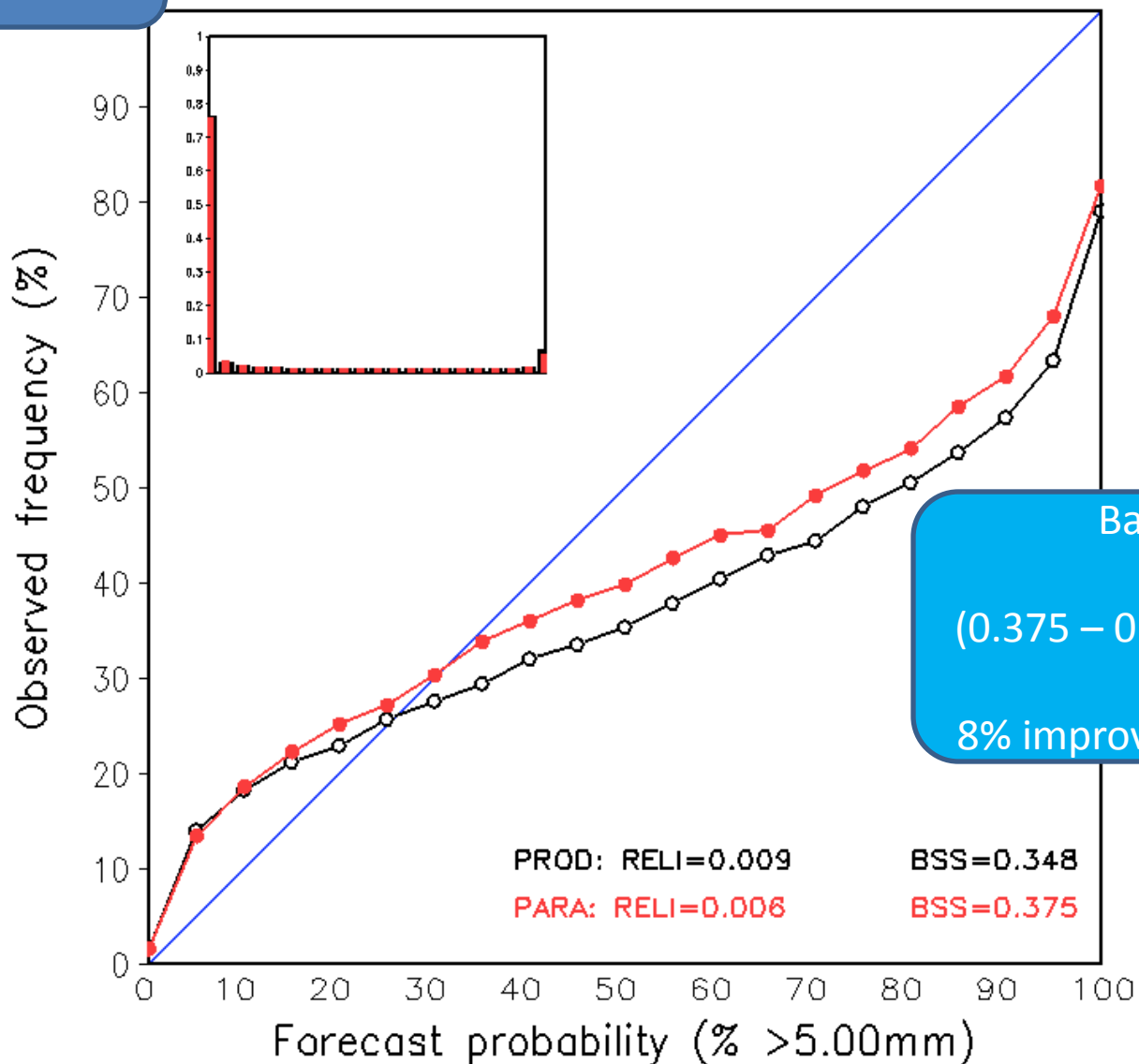
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Two years Statistics

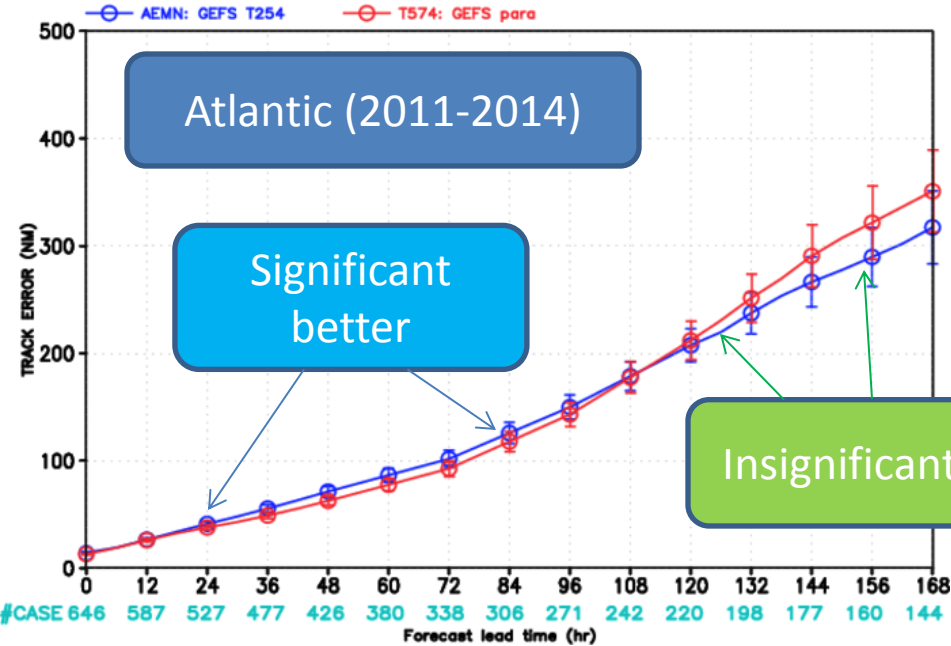
Reliability Diagram

fhr 12-36 For 20130601 - 20150531

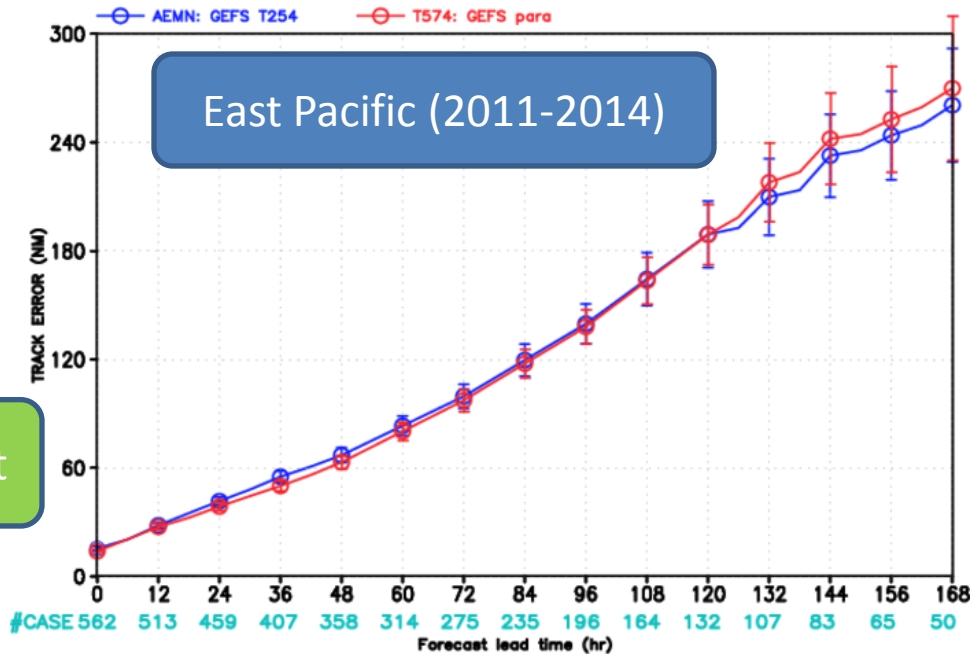


Precipitation reliability for 12-36hr and greater than 5mm/day

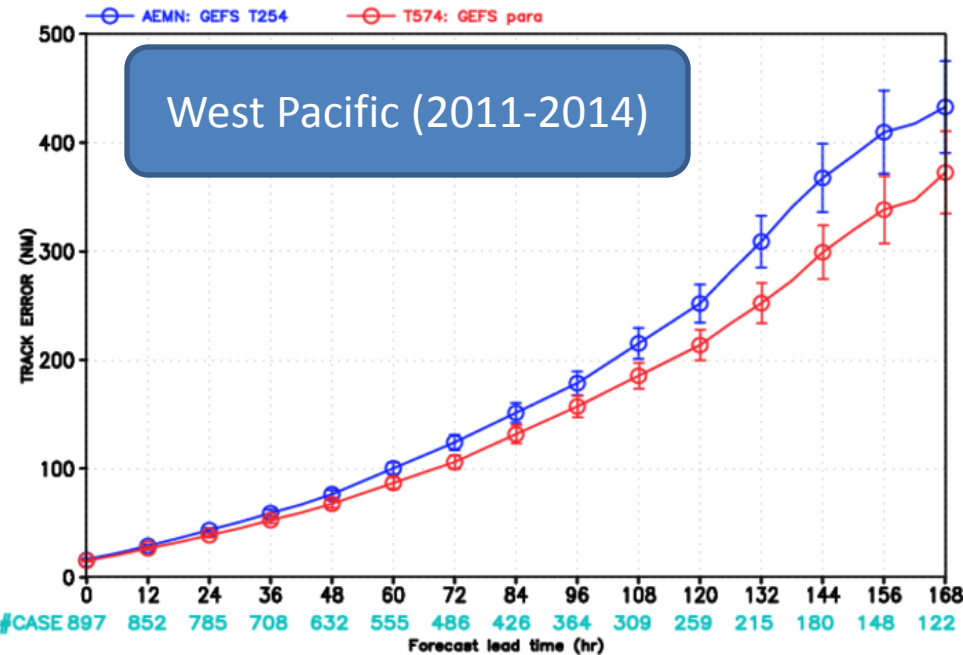
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 GEFS EXPERIMENT FOR Atlantic 2011-2014



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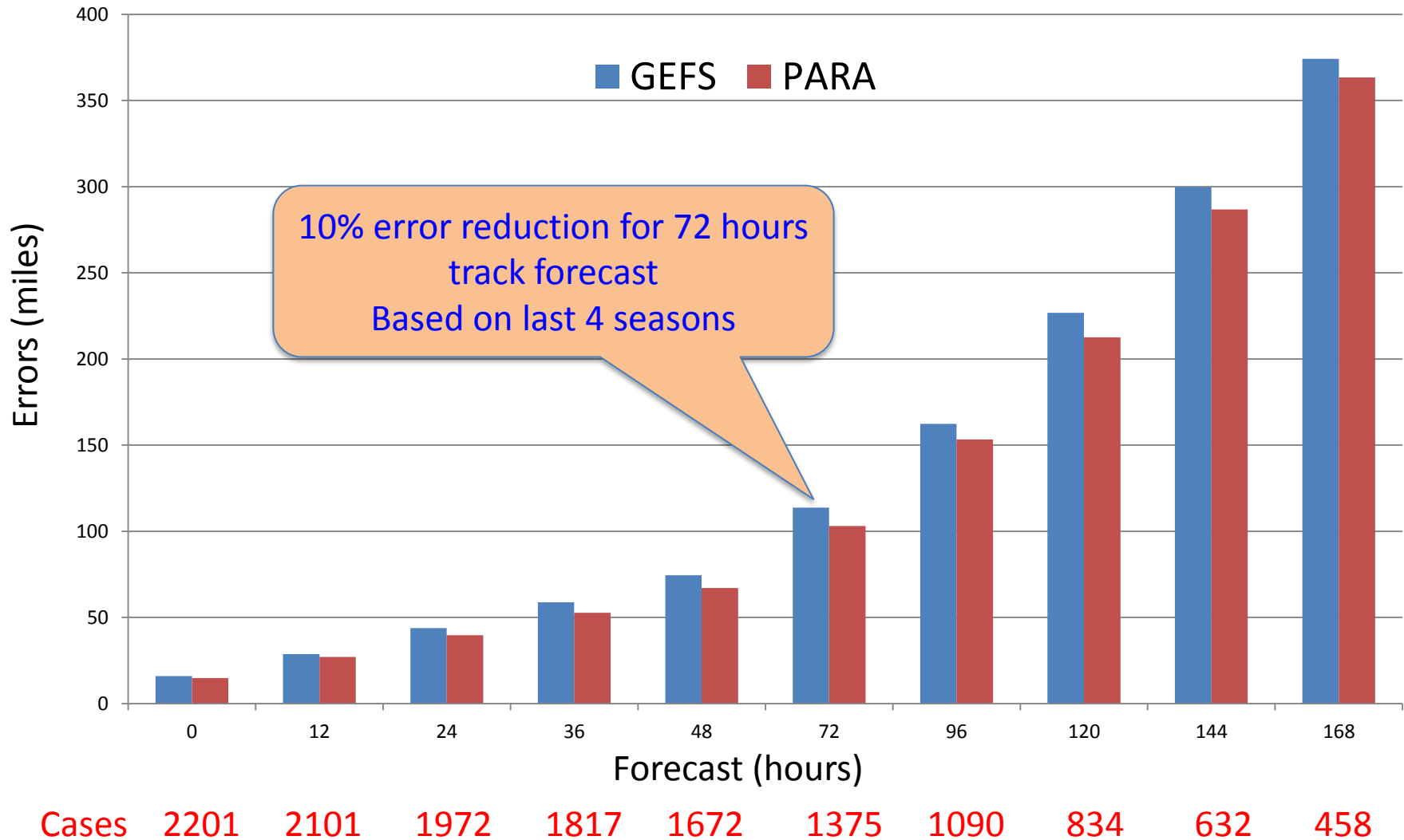


TS track verification

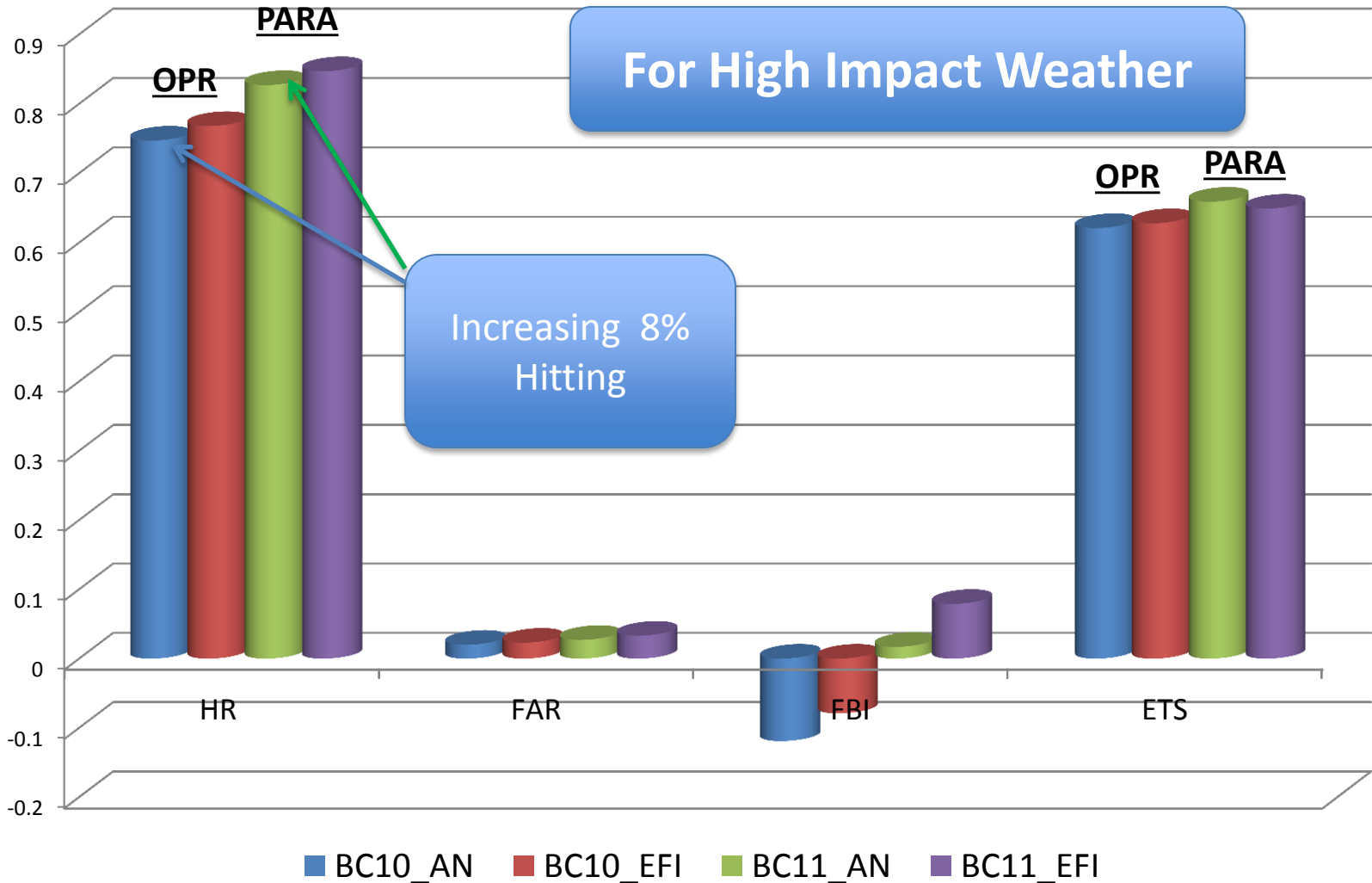
1. For 2011 season, there are selected Atlantic/East Pacific cases only
2. For 2011 season, we use GEFSv10 parallel to compare, instead of operational GEFSv09
3. Samples included tropical low pressure and extra tropical lows in order to compare to NHC
4. Track forecast are all improved, except for a slight degradation of AL beyond d-5, but it is insignificant

TS track errors for 2011-2014 seasons

Statistics for all basins



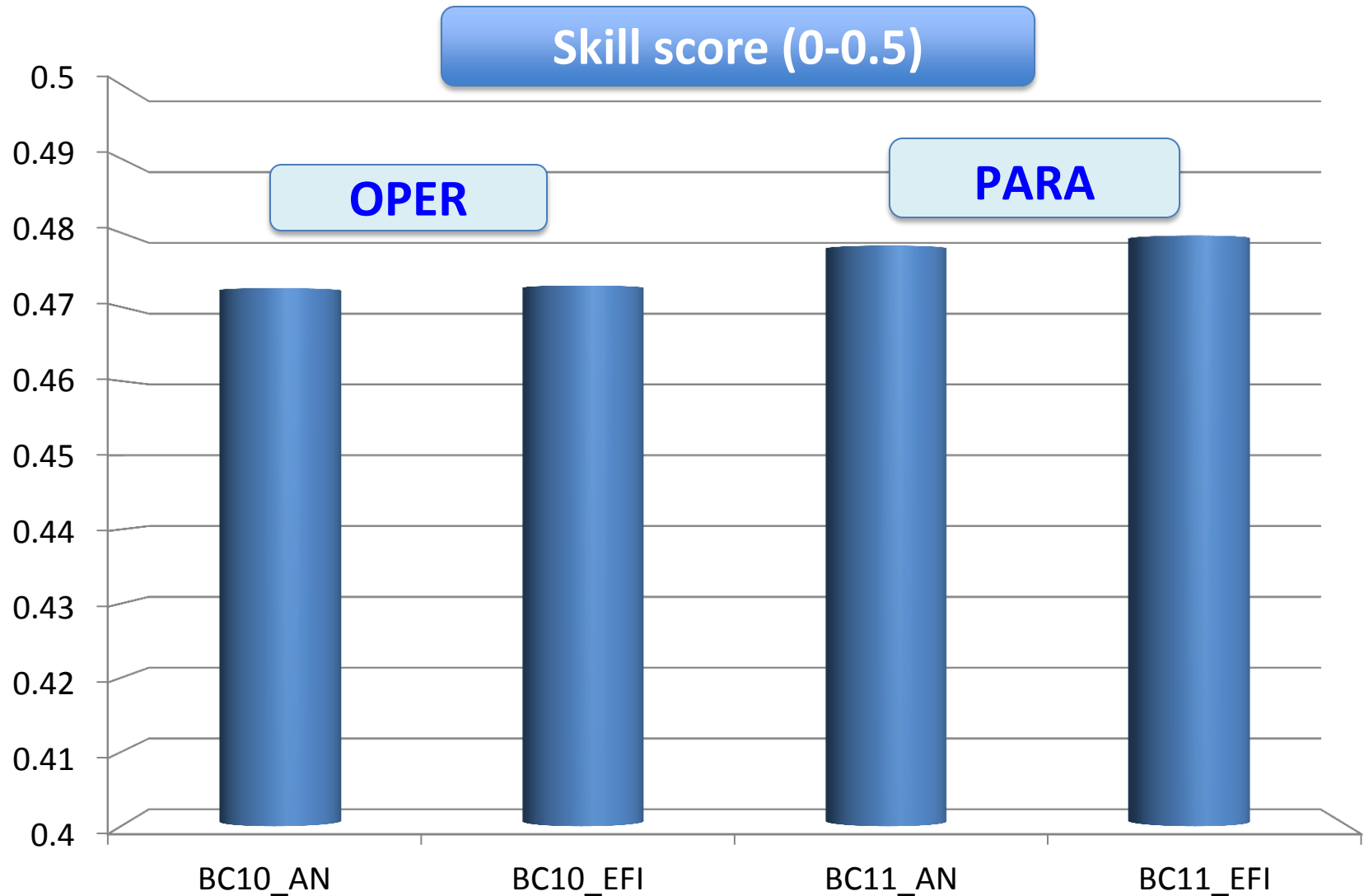
Statistics for extreme cold weather event (11 cases) – V10 and V11 bias-corrected forecast (96hrs)



HR – Hitting rate; FAR – False alarm rate; FBI – Frequency bias; ETS – Equitable threat score)

ROC area for extreme cold weather event (11 cases)

– V10 and V11 bias-corrected forecast (96hrs)



Cost and benefit of GEFS upgrade

- Implementation cycling – 2 years (actually 3+ years now from last implementation)
- Computation cost (example)
 - GEFSv10 – ~105 nodes for 1 hour (one cycle) - 52km (day 1-8)
 - GEFSv11 - ~150-300 nodes for 1 hour (one cycle) – 34km (day 1-8)
 - Nearly 2-3 times resource increasing for upgrade (higher resolution)
- Benefit and improvement (based on 2-year + retrospective runs)
 - Approximate **8-hr** useful forecast skill (60%) improvement based on NH 500hPa height AC score
 - Approximate **10%** error reduction over all for 72 hours Tropical Storm track forecast from last 4 summer season statistics
 - Approximate **12%** error reduction for NA 24 hours surface temperature forecast after bias correction (final products)
 - Approximate **8%** BS skill improvement for CONUS PQPF 36-72 hours forecast great than 5mm/24 hours
 - Approximate **8%** increasing “hits” for extreme cold weather events for 96 hours forecast with the same “false alarms”
 - **Benefit – social and economic impact?**

Summary

- Extended summer
 - Improvement:
 - Over-all large scale circulation in terms of AC, RMS error, CRPS and other measures
 - Surface temperature skills – improved for east of CONUS slightly (from cold bias to warm bias)
 - Surface wind
 - Precipitation – improved reliability and skill
 - Hurricane tracks out to 5 days, out to 7 days for West Pacific
 - Neutral:
 - Degrade or concern:
 - Summer warm bias for CONUS T2m and dry bias for heavy precipitation
 - Slight degradation of hurricane tracks forecast for AL basin beyond day-5, but it is insignificant
- Extended winter
 - Improvement:
 - Over-all for many atmospheric variables
 - Surface wind
 - Surface temperature after bias correction
 - Extreme weather events (cold events)
 - Neutral:
 - Surface temperature errors and bias for CONUS (against obs)
 - Precipitation
 - Degrade:

Users recommendations

- CPC's recommendation – **implement**
- WPC's recommendation – **implement**
- WFO (ER)'s recommendation – **implement**
- SPC's recommendation – **not implement**
 - Weaker CAPE for summer due to warm bias
- NHC's recommendation – **neutral** (early communication) – **not implement** (later)
 - Degradation (insignificant) for TC track forecast beyond d-5 for Atlantic Basin.

Plan for future

- Evaluation metrics – broader topic
 - Unify (consensus) model evaluation metrics between model developers and users
 - EMC will lead a 1-day workshop to discuss this in next 6 months with NCEP service centers, NWS/regions and other users
- Sciences
 - Improve model physics
 - To reduce/eliminate model bias
 - Warm bias of summer CONUS temperature
 - Dry bias of summer CONUS precipitation
 - Enhance/improve forecast skills (CAPE and others) for severe weather, fire weather
 - To improve TC track forecast for longer lead-time
 - Improve stochastic perturbation for ensemble
 - To implement SPPT (Stochastic Perturbed Physics Tendencies) scheme – increase precipitation spread and reliability

For More Information

- GEFS configuration/verification website at EMC
http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/yzhu/html/imp/201412_imp.html
- GFS description website at EMC
<http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gcwmb/doc.php>
- Contacts at EMC Ensemble Team
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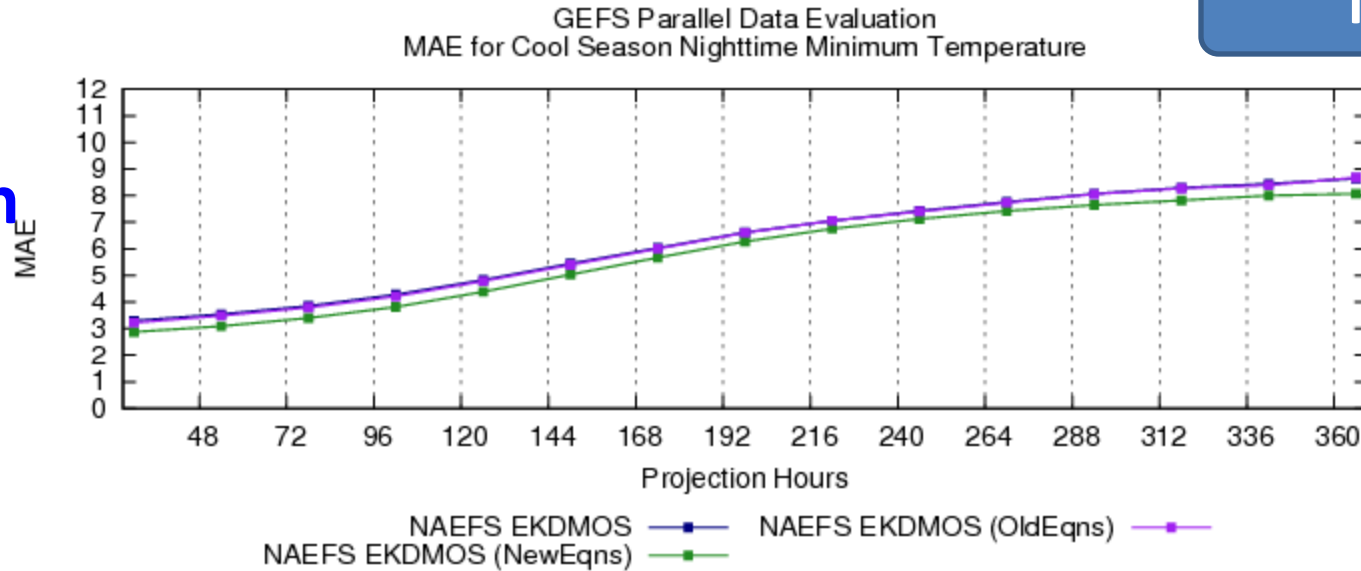
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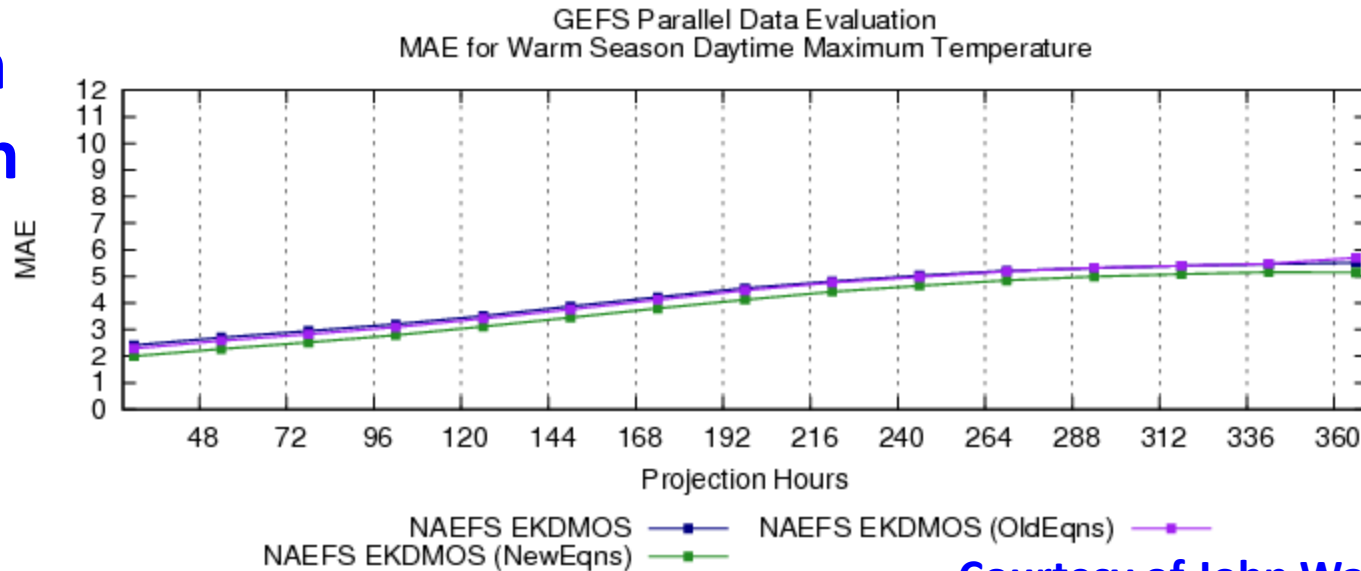
Evaluation of GEFS retrospective runs (2013-2014) for EKDMOS

MDL

Cold season

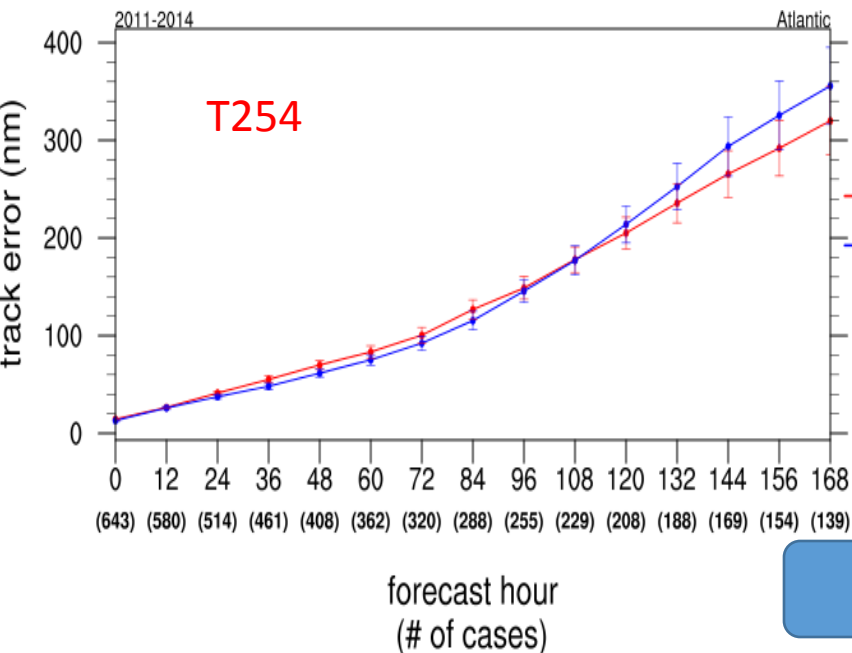


Warm season

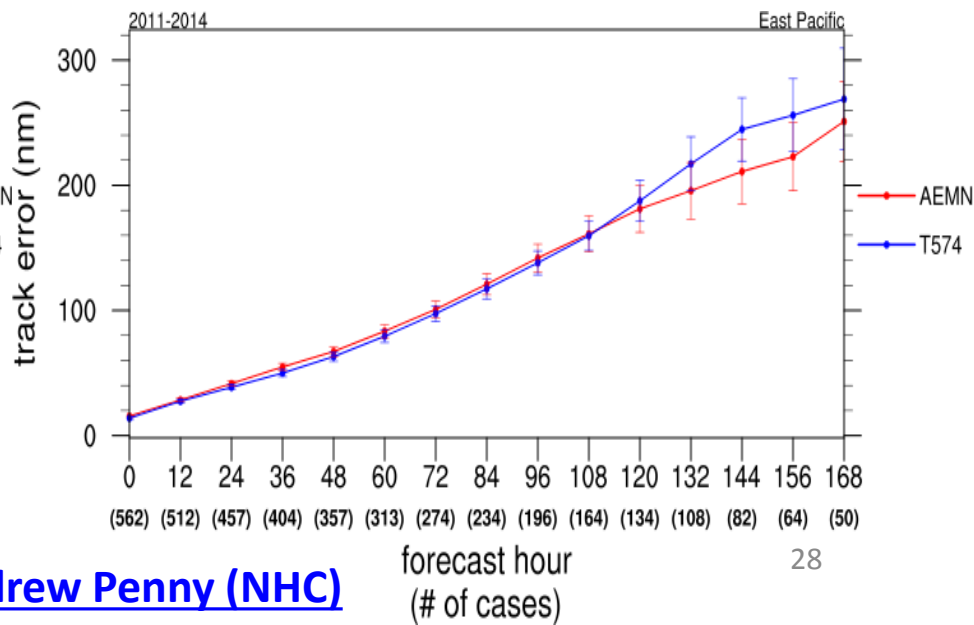
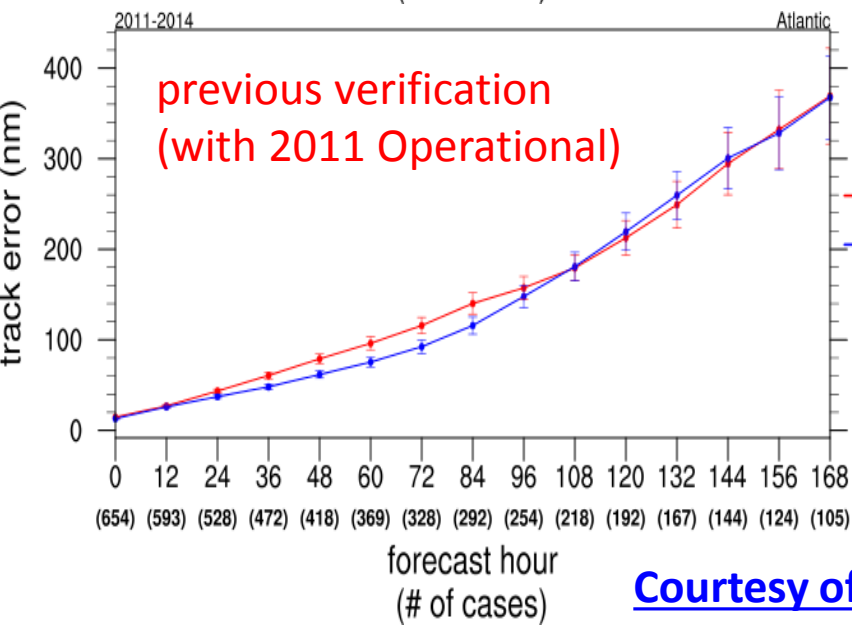
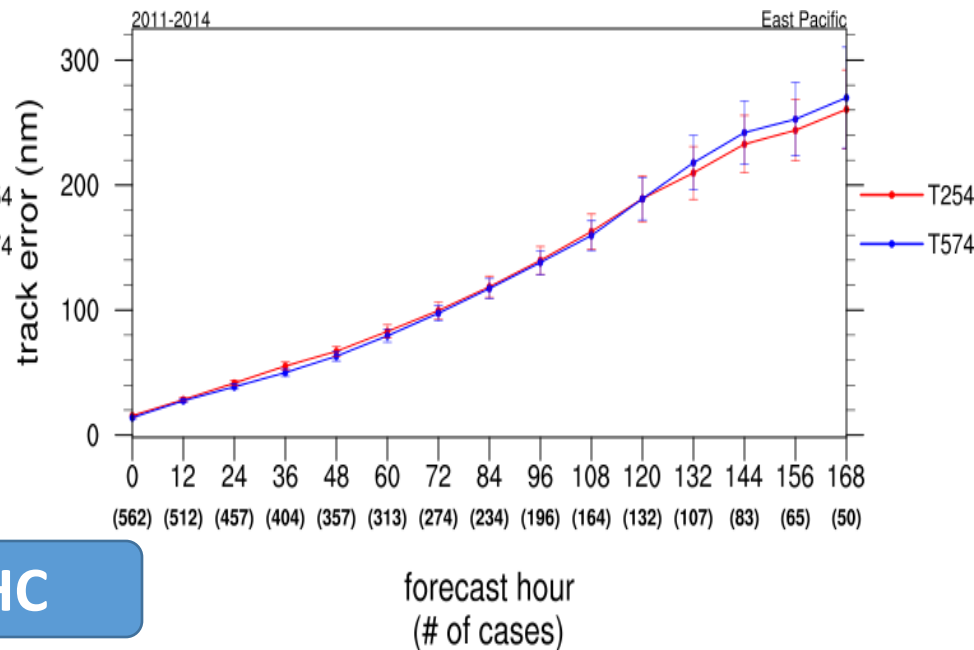


2011-2014

Atlantic



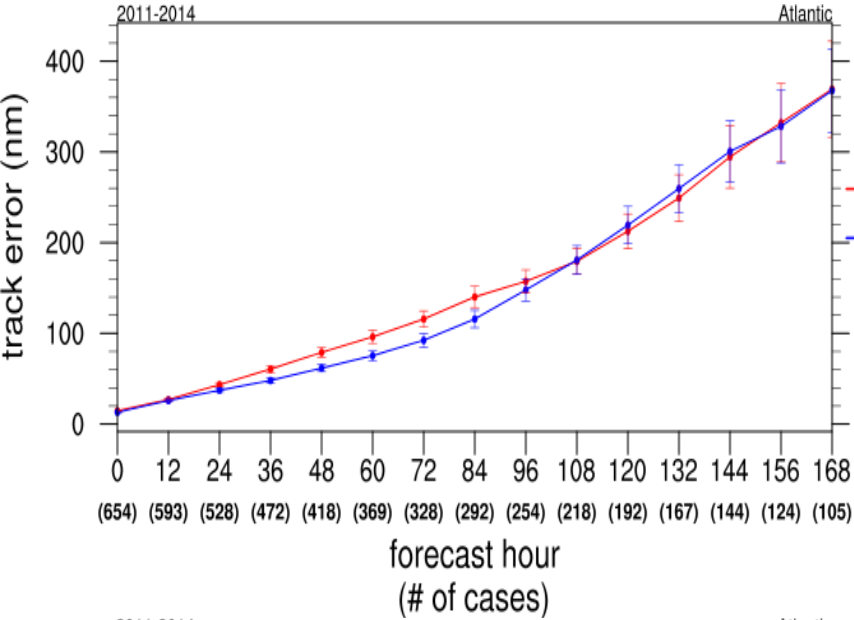
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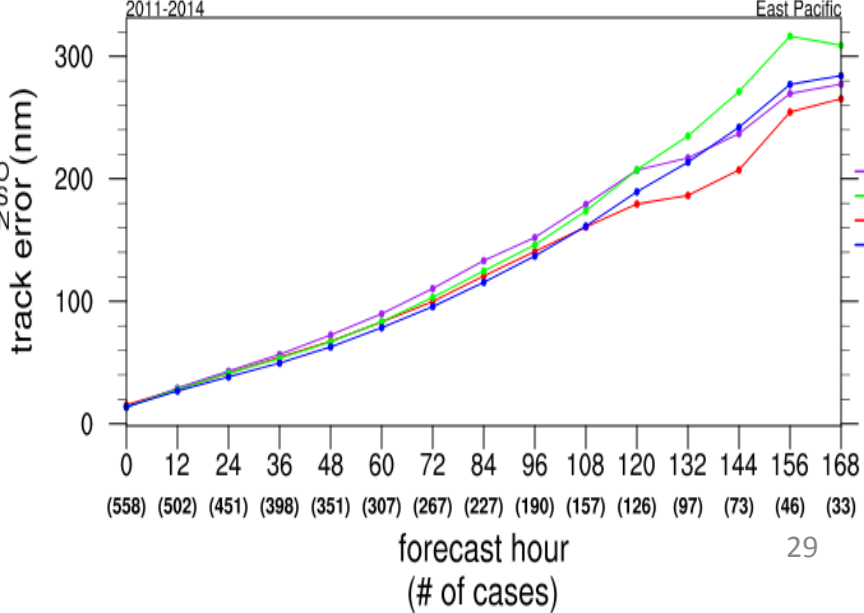
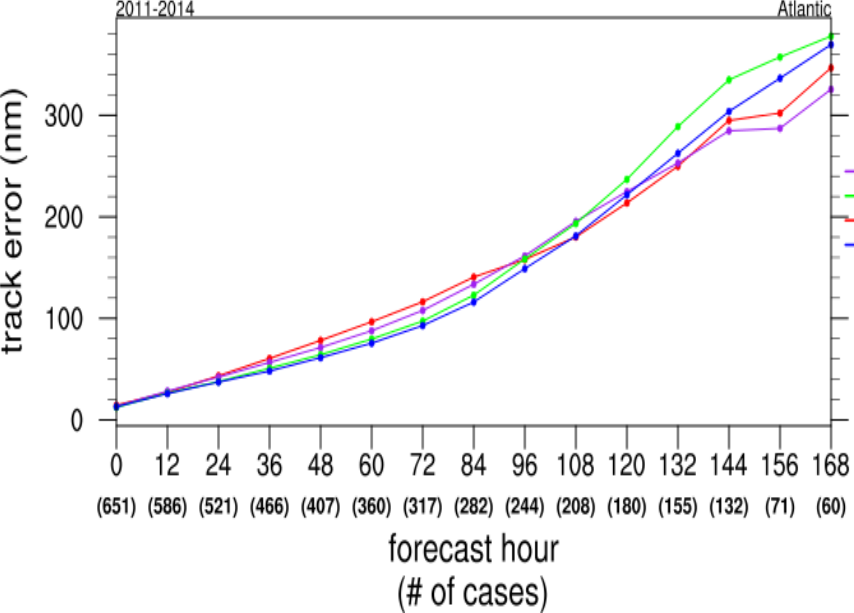
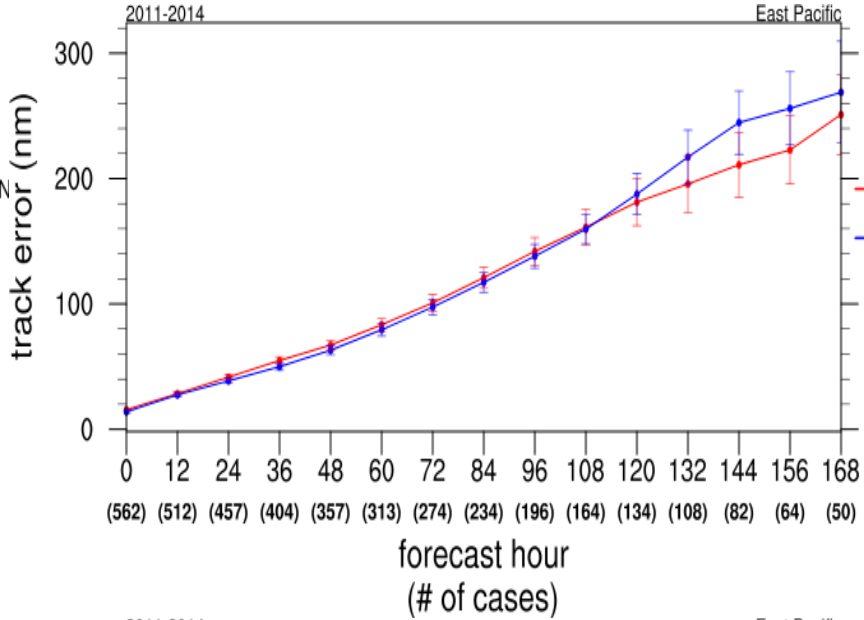
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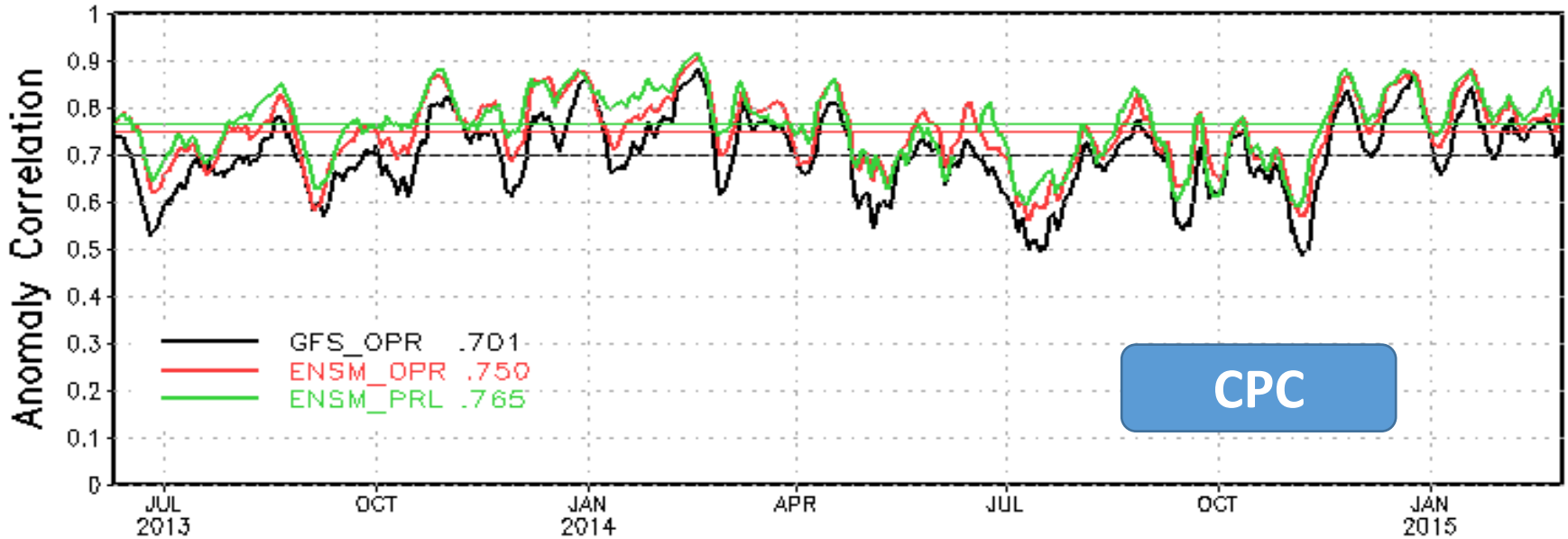


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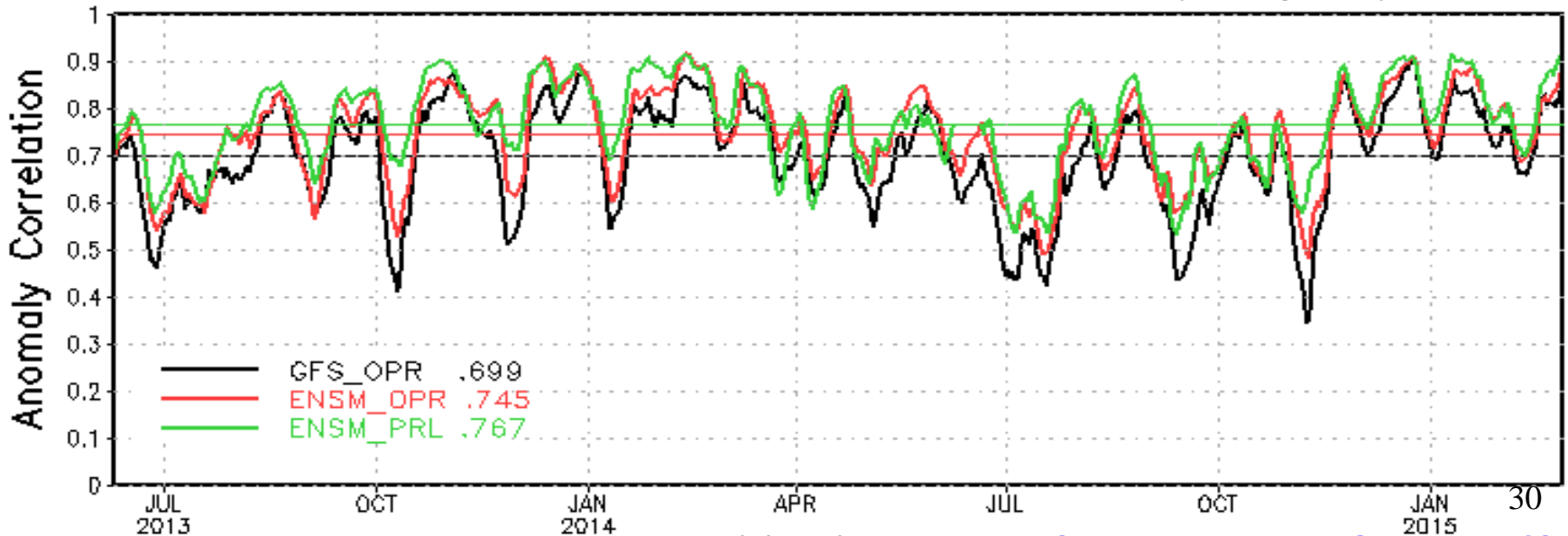


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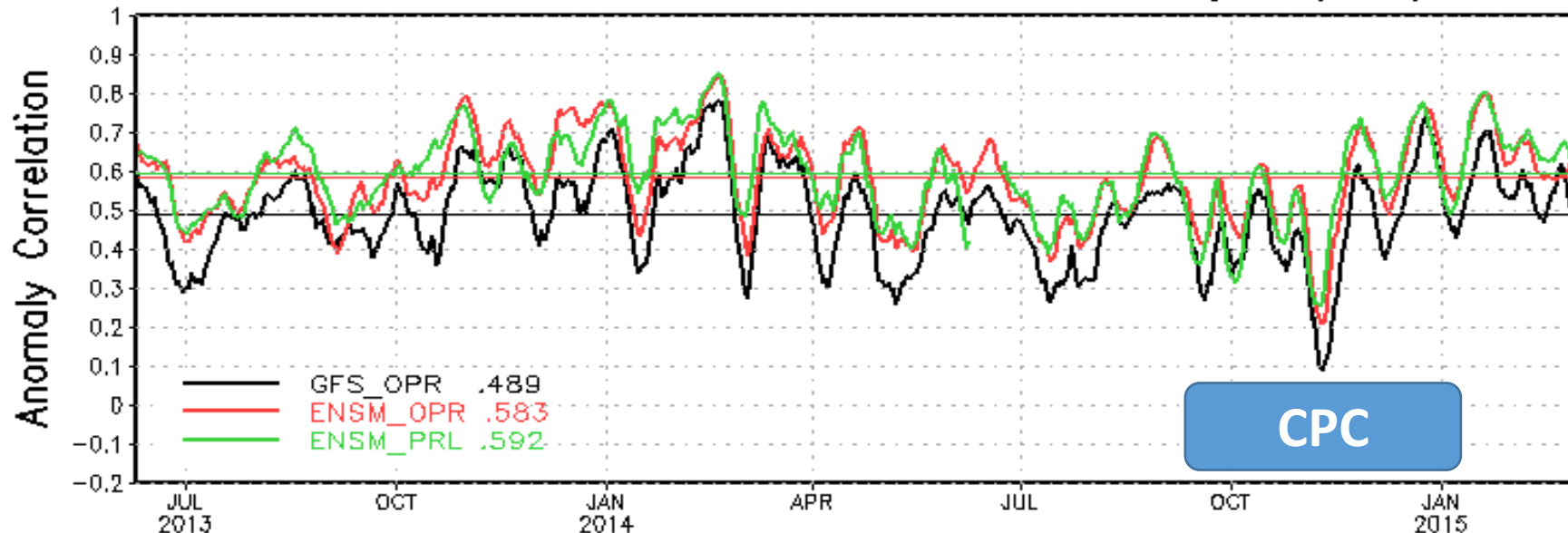


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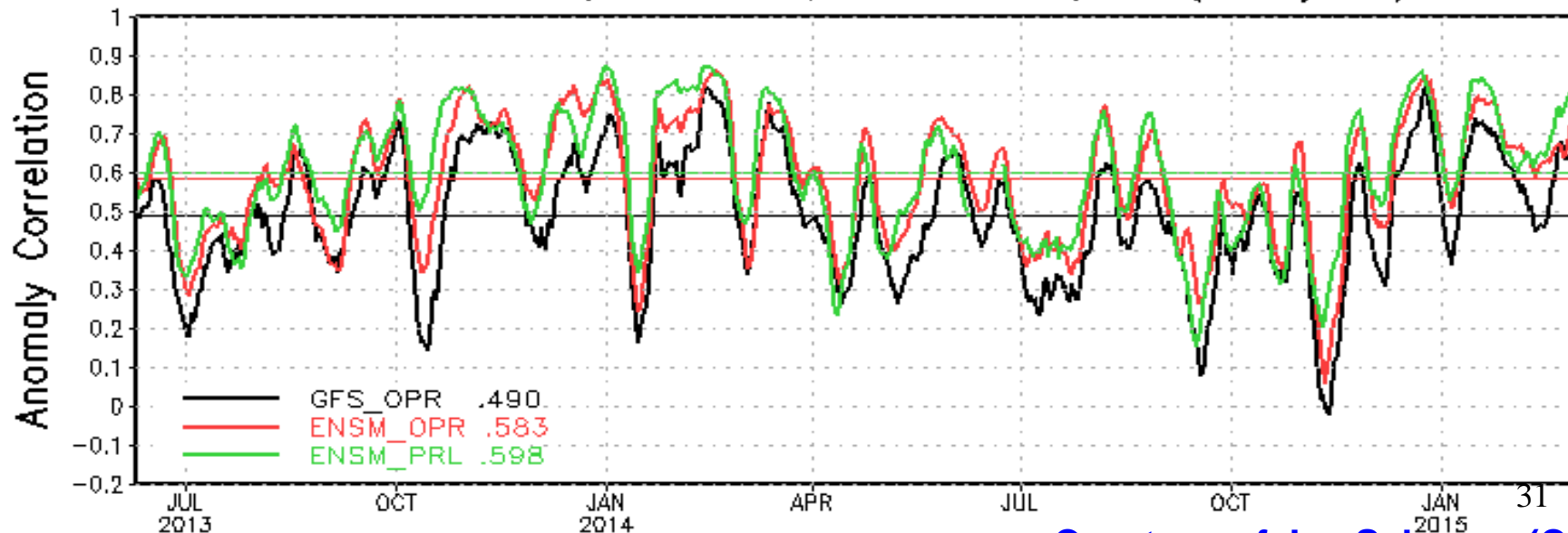


Z500 Anomaly Correlation Scores for Week 2

Z500 AC NH 20N-80N; WK 2 Jun 10, 2013 - Feb 28, 2015 (10-day RNM)



Z500 AC PNA Sector; Wk 2 Jun 10, 2013 - Feb 28, 2015 (10-day RNM)



Active Users Feedback

- WPC – EMC has presented for WPC in May and later September
- NHC – Jessica Schauer and Andy Penny
- CPC – Dan Collins and Jae Schemm,
- WFOs and regions:
 - ER: Richard Grumm and Brian Miretzky
 - WR: Trevor Alcott
 - CR: Jeff Halblaub
- MDL – John Wagner
- JTWC – Matthew Kucas
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Hello Dingchen and Justin,

We are beginning to modify our test system to point at the parallel data on "http://para.nomads.ncep.noaa.gov".

However, there are **no index (.idx) files** for the 1/2 degree files we intend to use. Specifically, I am referring to these files in the screen shot below.

We use the index files to determine which fields to download.

Will you be adding the index files soon for these specific files?

Thanks
Joe

Joe Koval
Director, Weather Systems Development
The Weather Company
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Hi Dingchen,

By way of introduction, my name is Chris Brandolino. I am a Principal Scientist (Forecasting) with the National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research in Auckland, New Zealand.

I am writing to get a clear understanding about the operational impacts of the soon-to-be made available GEFS T574. With regards to the anticipated GEFS upgrade, could you please advise as to how long you expect the “old” GEFS will be operational/available once the “new” GEFS is operational in mid-October?

In other words, will the **“new” and “old”** GEFS continue in parallel, and if so, how long do you expect to run or make available the “old” GEFS once the upgrade is implemented?

Also, could you please advise me as to if hindcasts and/or re-forecasts will be made available for the upgraded GEFS products (T574)? If so, when and where might they be located?

I'd be most grateful for any help you can provide.

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Chris

Andrew,

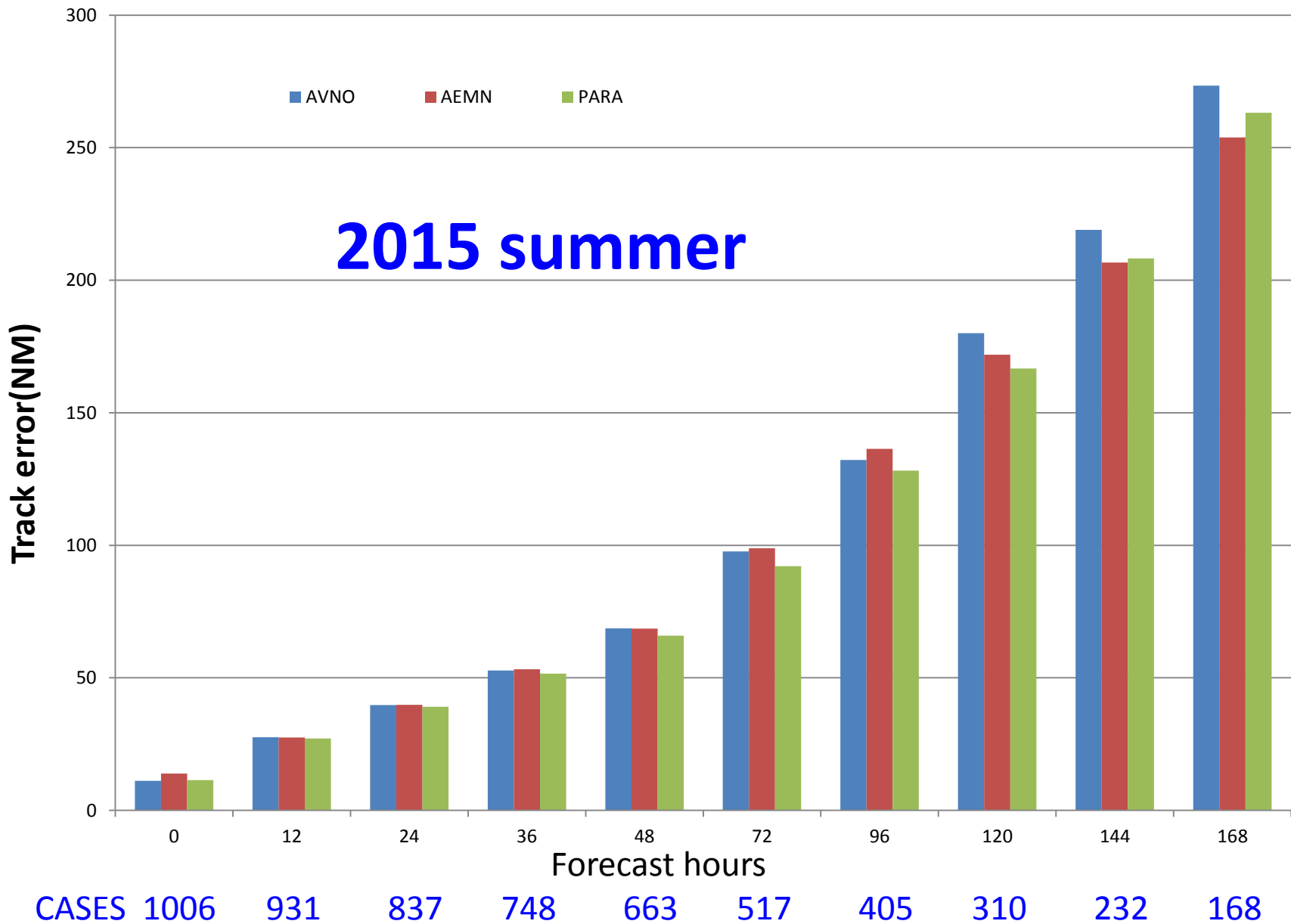
Picked up your email from the NOMADS website. I'm interested in acquiring the **GEFS cyclone model tracks** to use in a similar way that Mr. Cowan has done below, and having a really tough time understanding if there is a dedicated source we can connect with or if its something we have to derive from the overall GEFS model. Appreciate any assistance you can provide.

Regards,

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2015 summer



Hurricane Sandy Study for GEFS

Period: 10/22 – 10/28/2012

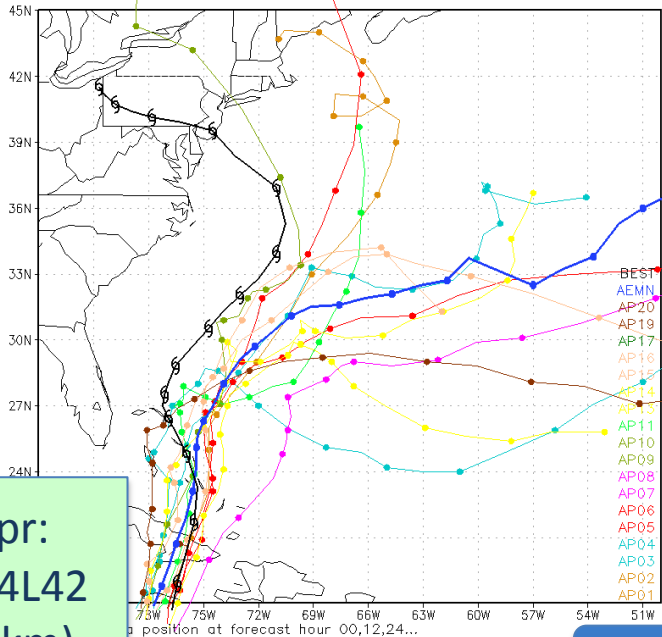
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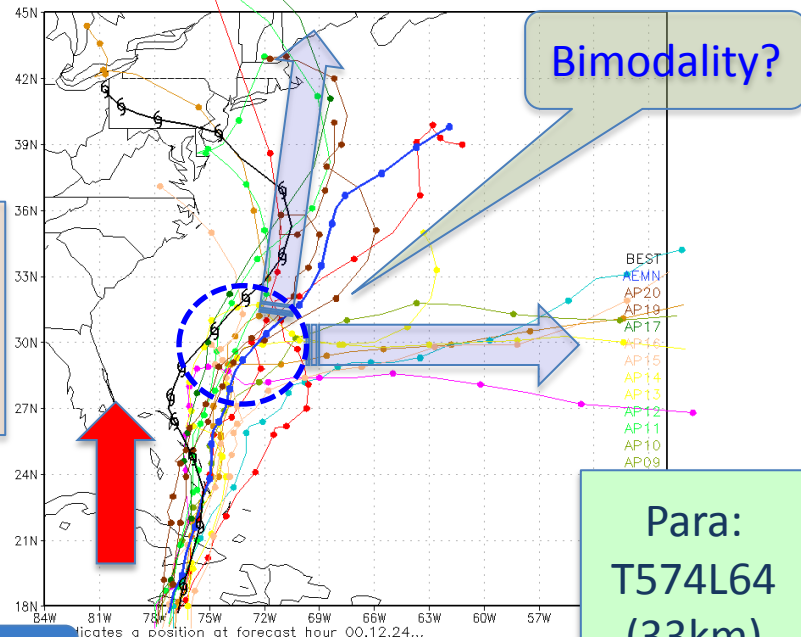
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ensemble
mean

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(55km)

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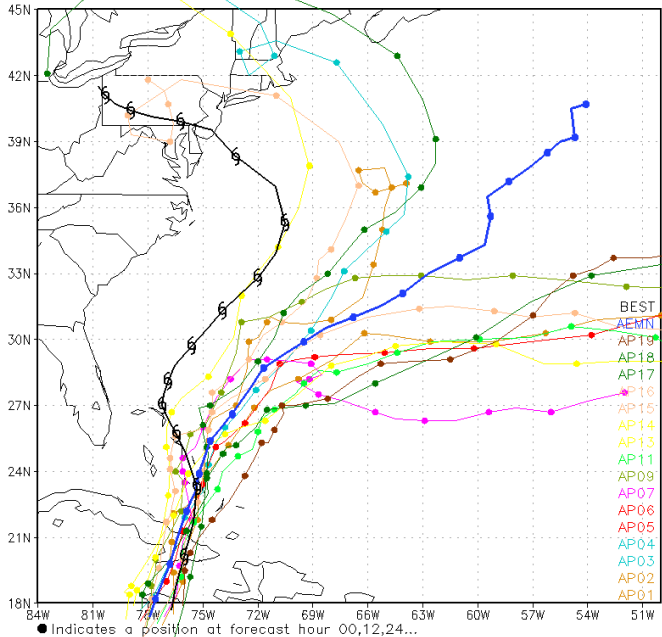
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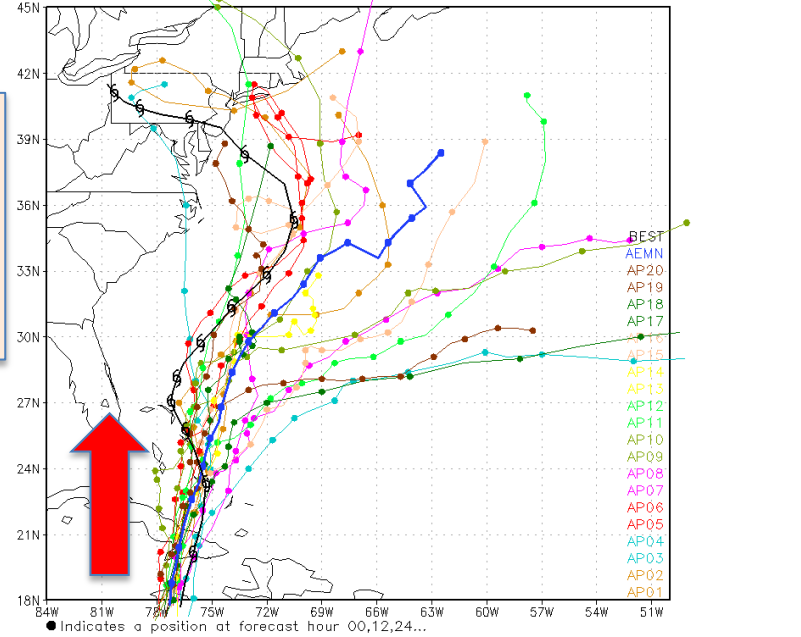
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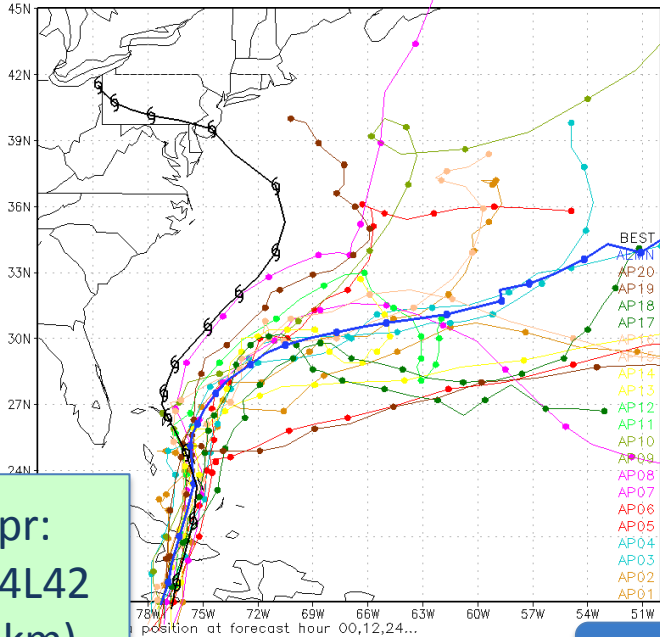
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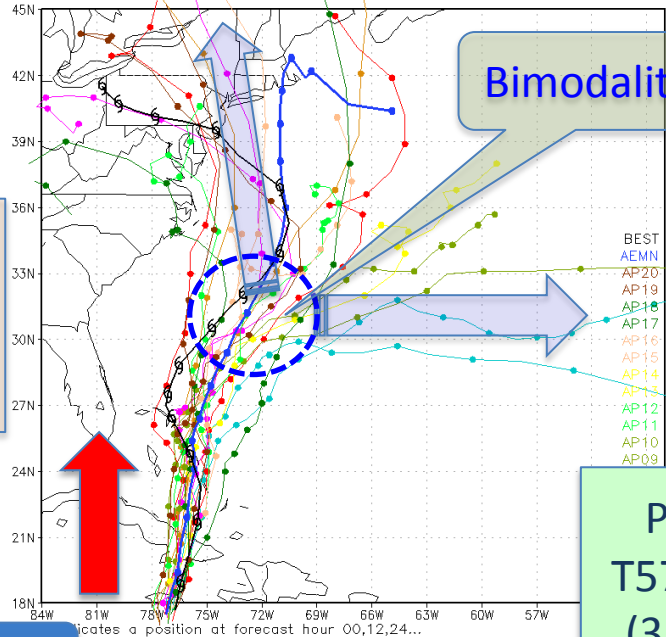
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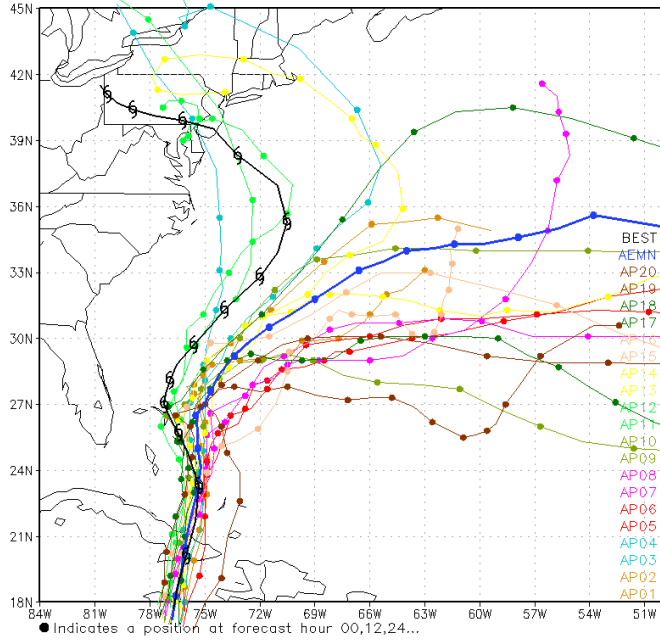
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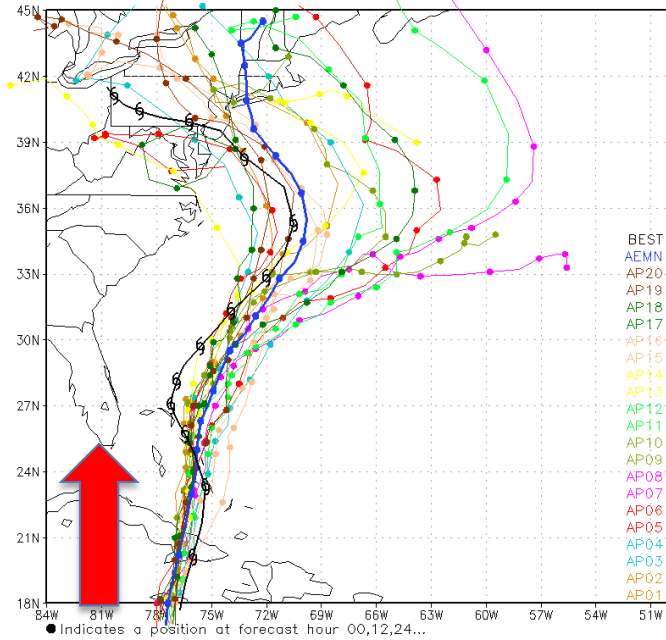
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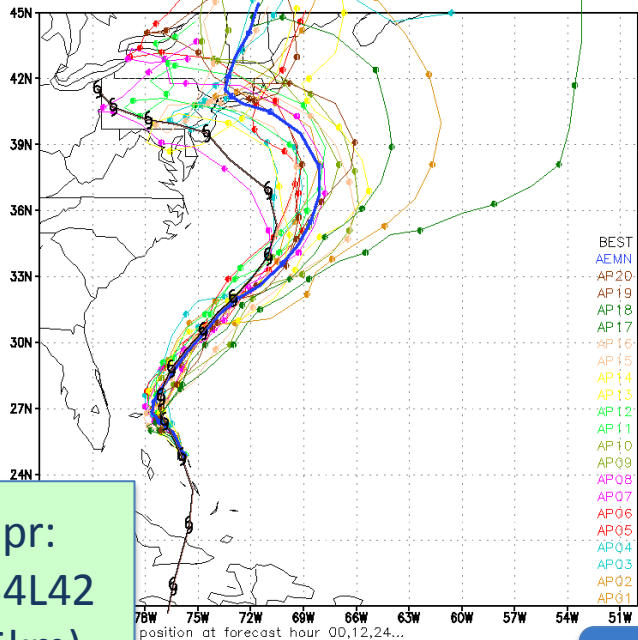
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● Indicates a position at forecast hour 00,12,24...

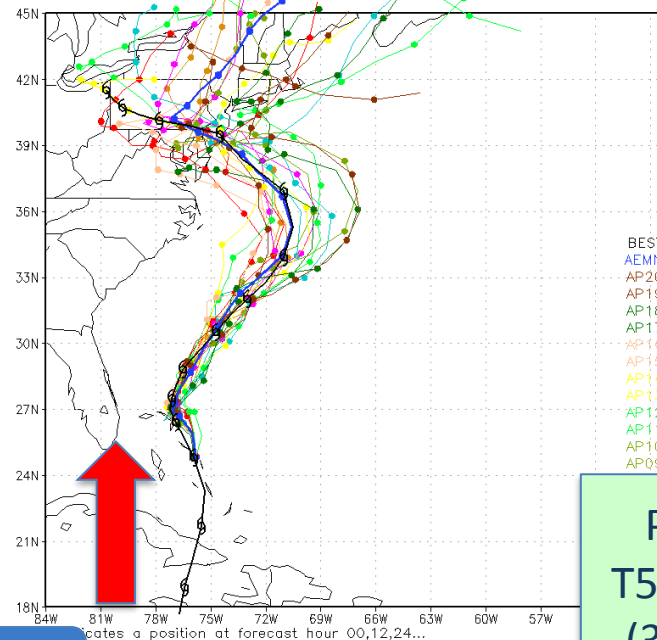
● Indicates a position at forecast hour 00,12,24...

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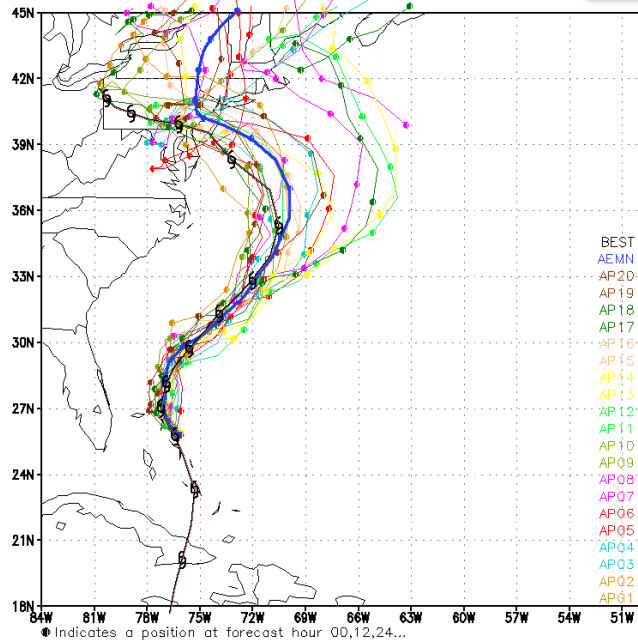


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T254L42
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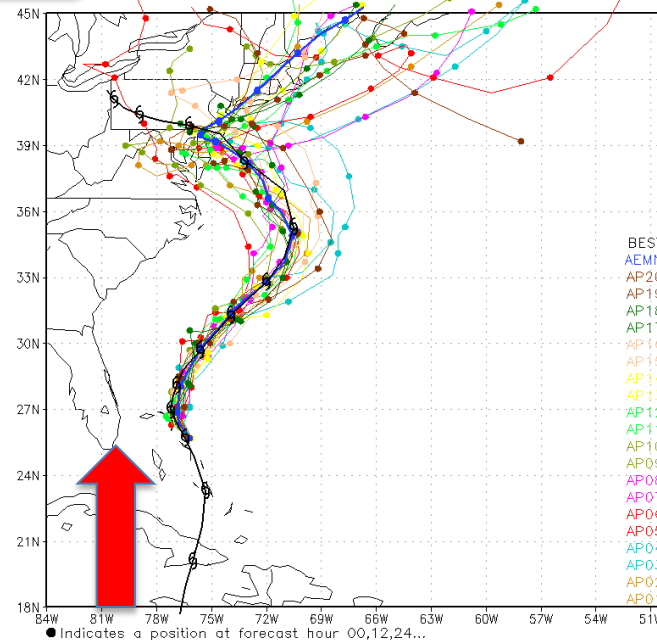
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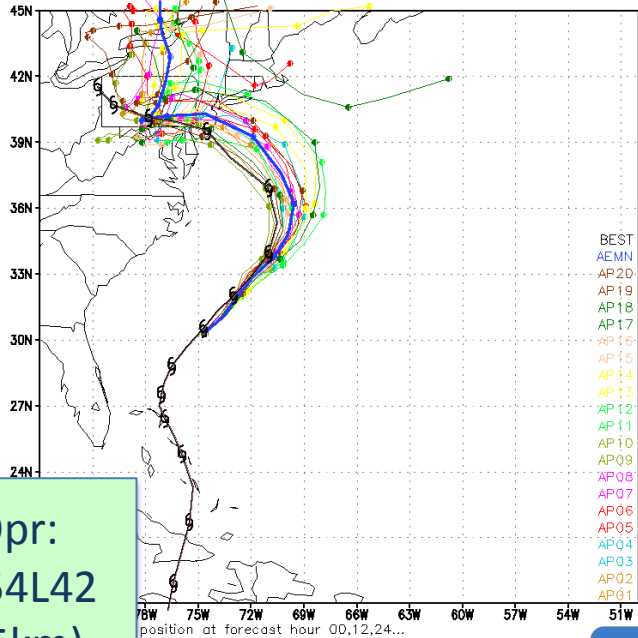


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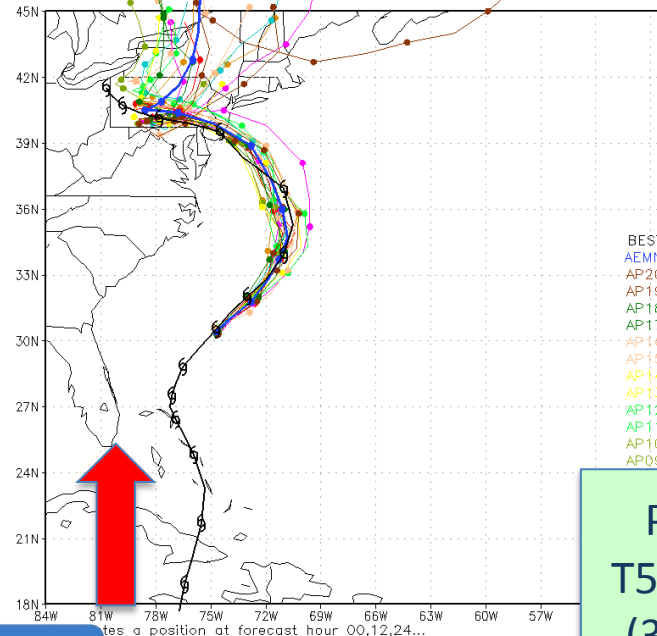
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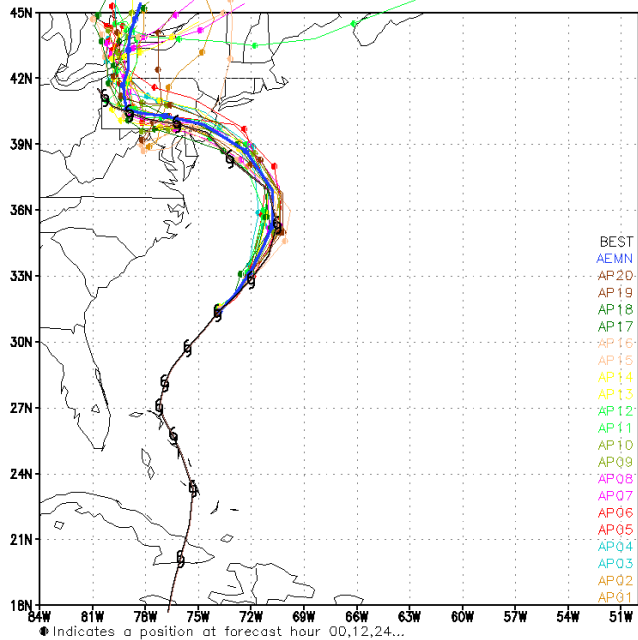
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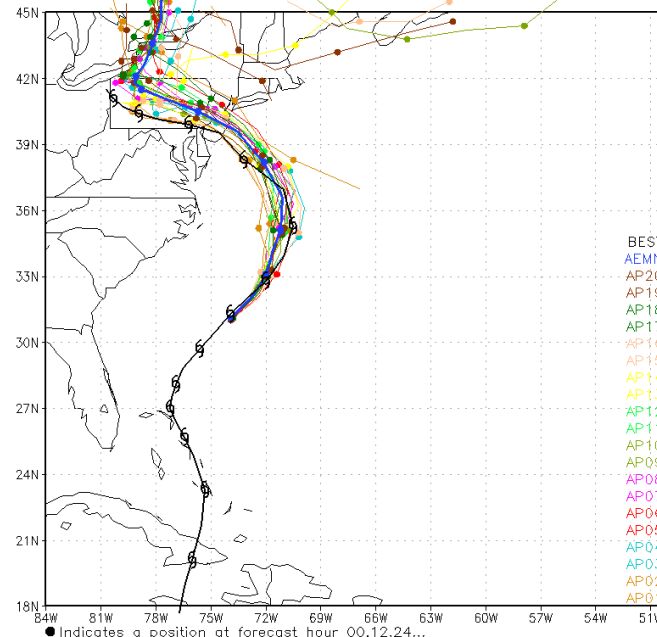
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Review of 2015 NE Blizzard

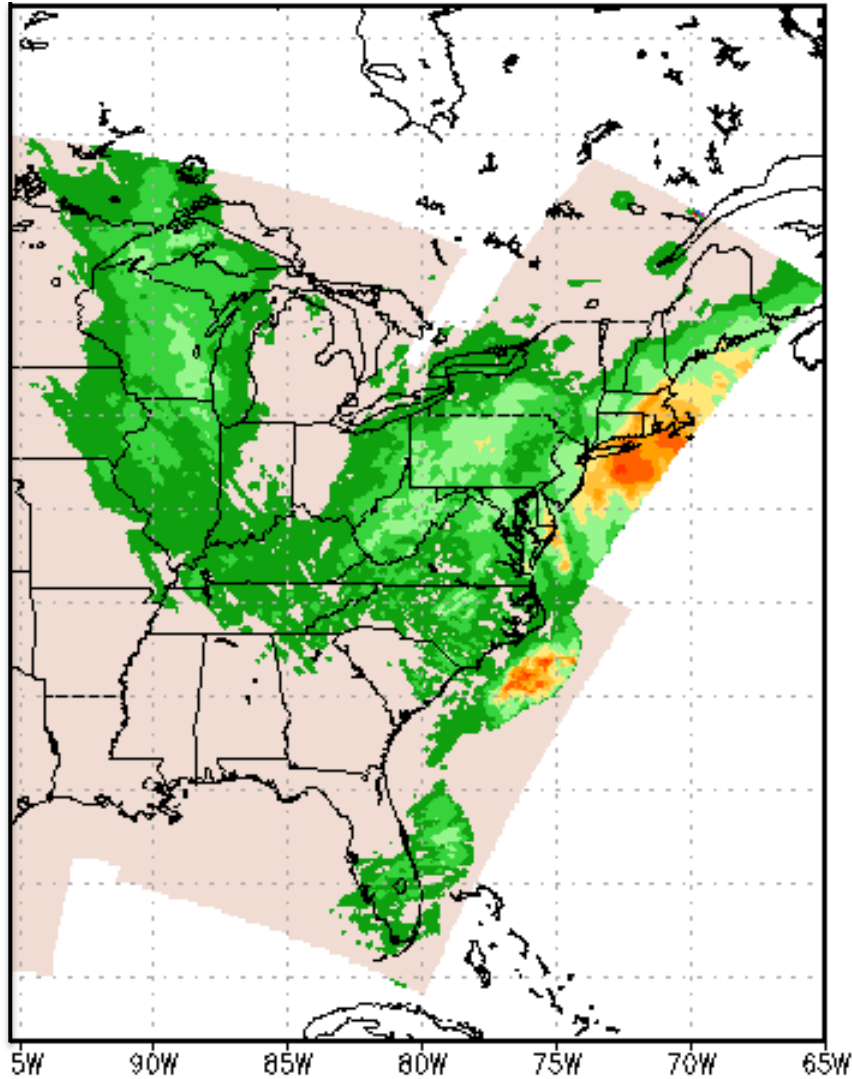
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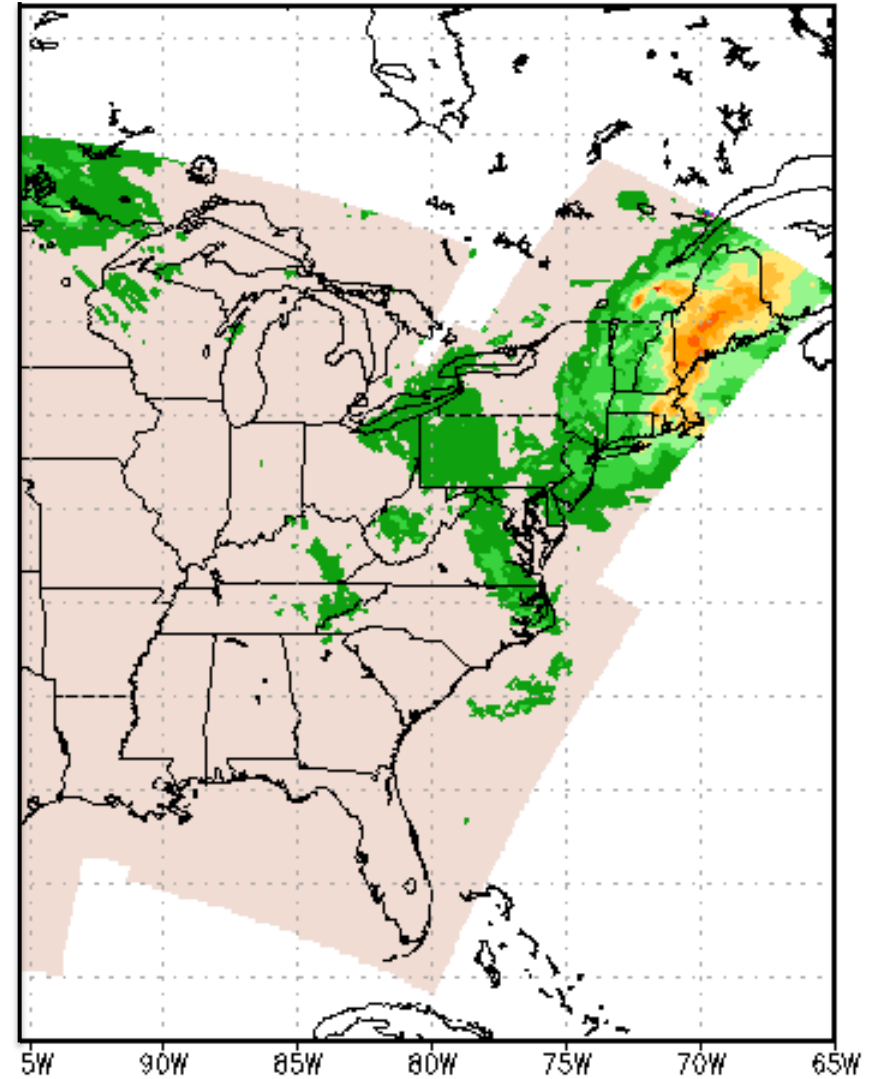
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CCPA 24 hours accumulation (mm)

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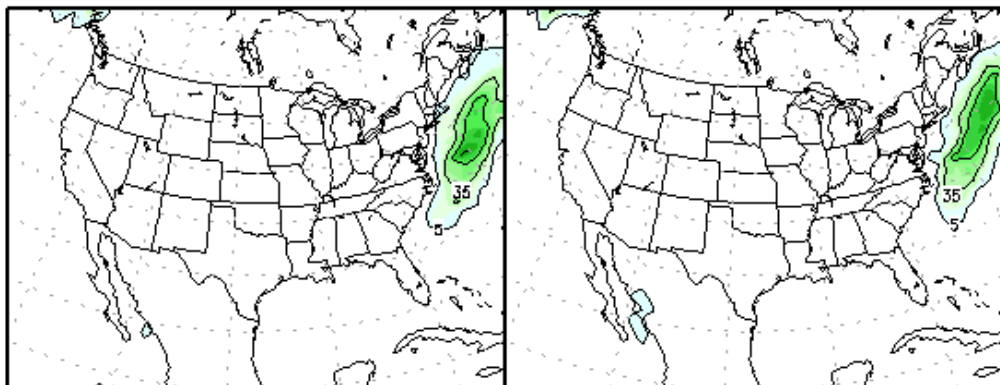
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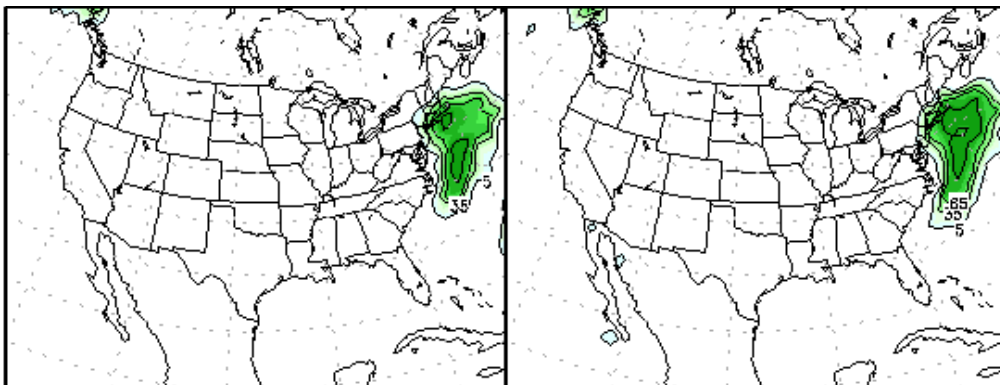
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60-84 hr fcst



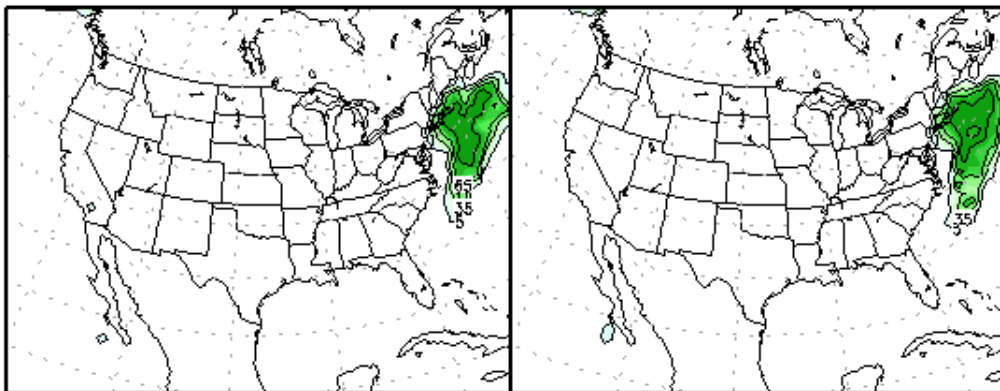
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36-60 hr fcst



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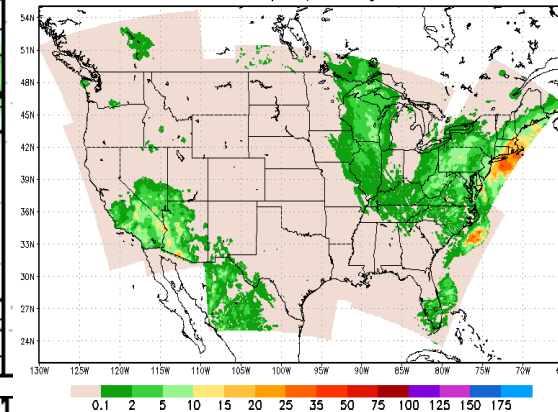
12-36 hr fcst



PROD

PARA

CCPA 24h Accum (mm) Ending 2015012712



NCEP GEFS
PROD/PARA
Forecast difference

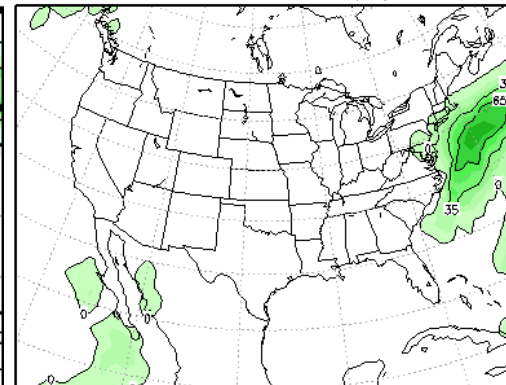
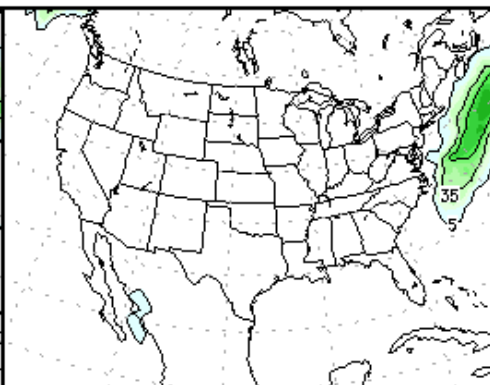
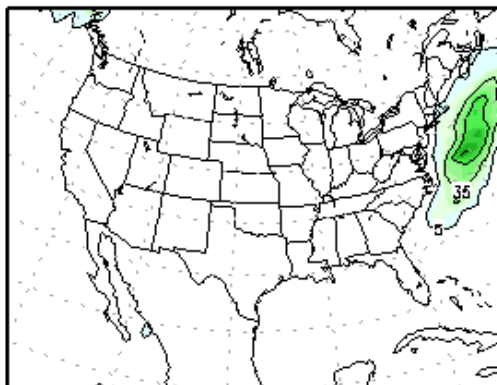
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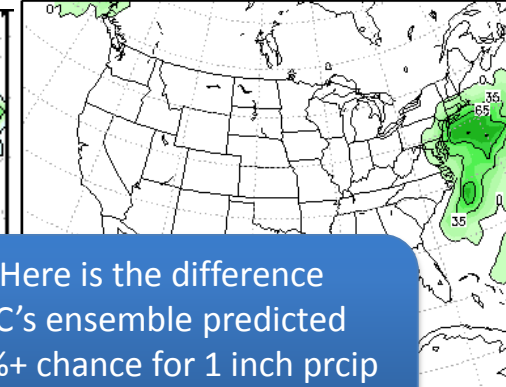
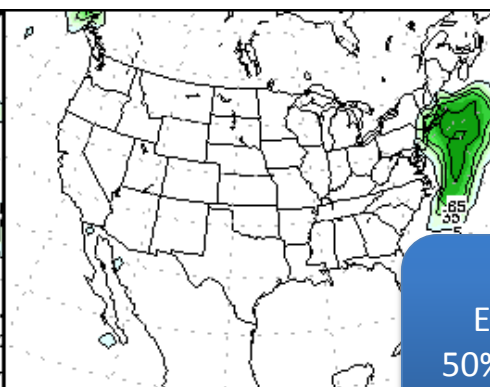
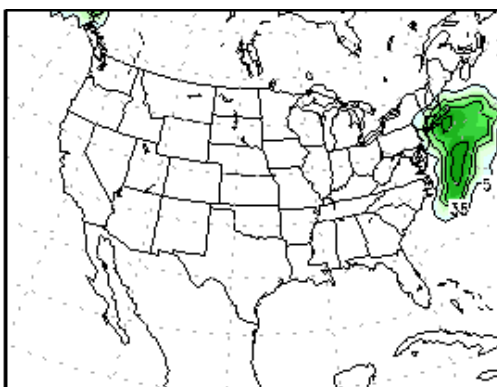
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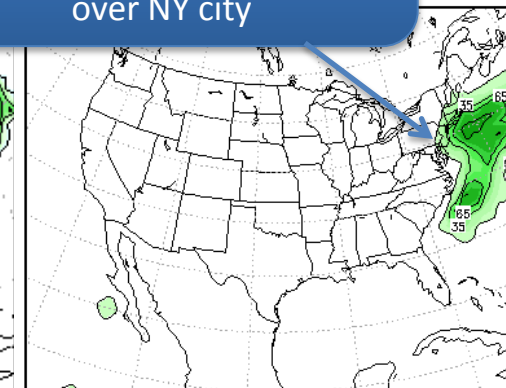
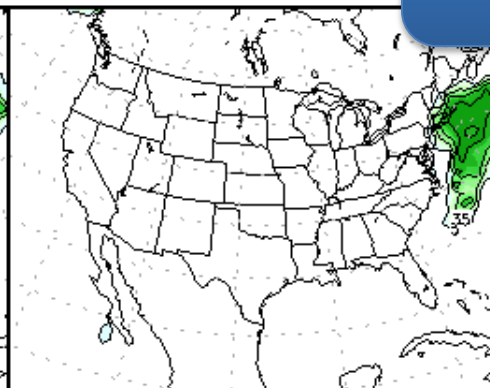
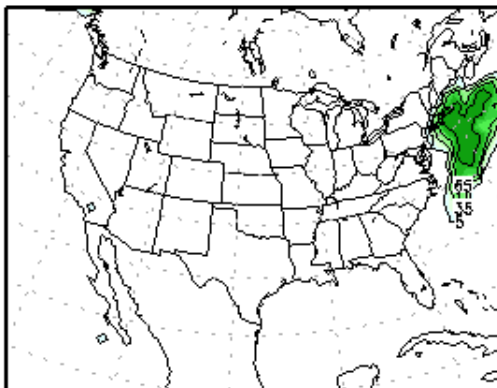
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Here is the difference
EC's ensemble predicted
50%+ chance for 1 inch prcip
over NY city

2015012600

12-36 hr fcst



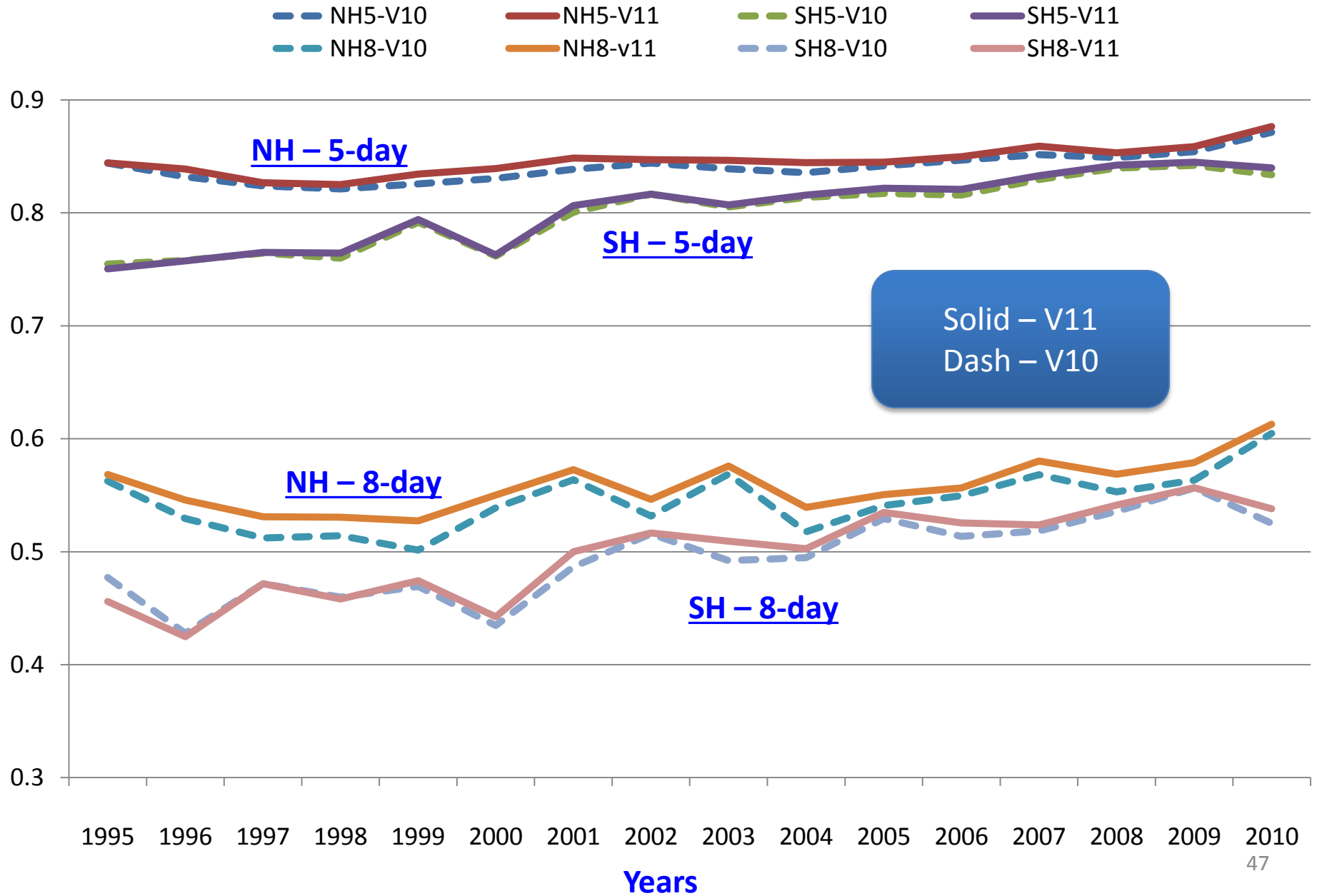
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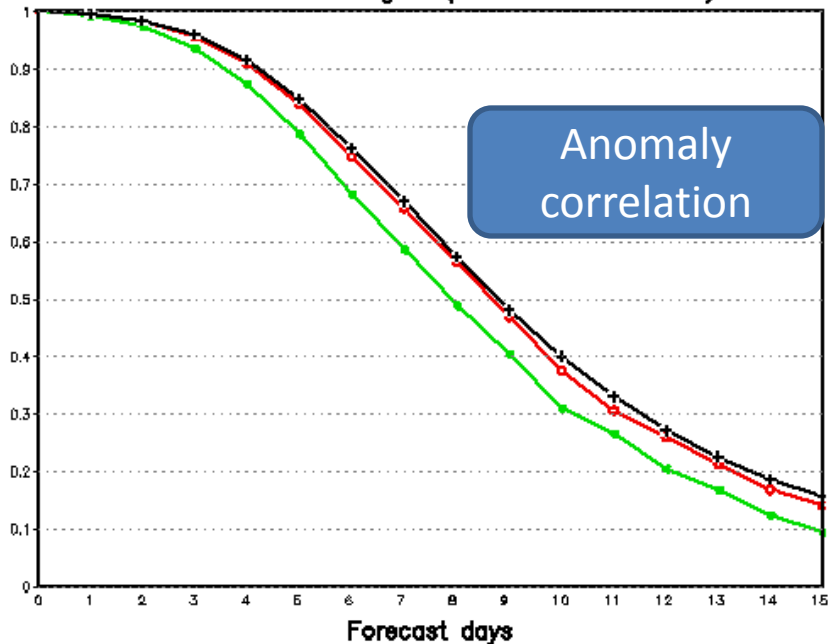
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Extra slides for
GEFS control only reforecast (18 years)

500hPa Anomaly Correlation for Control Only Reforecast (V10 .vs V11)



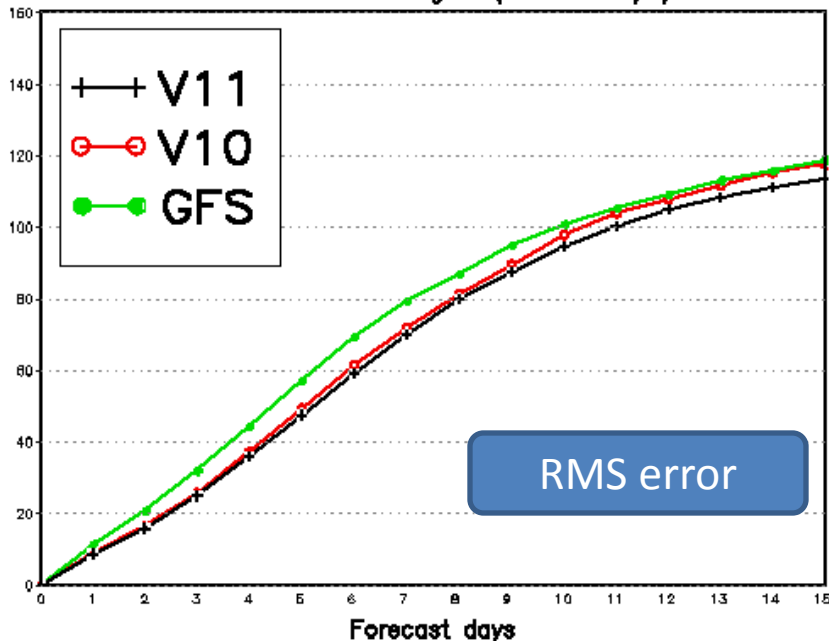
NH 500 mb Height (wave 1-20 AC)



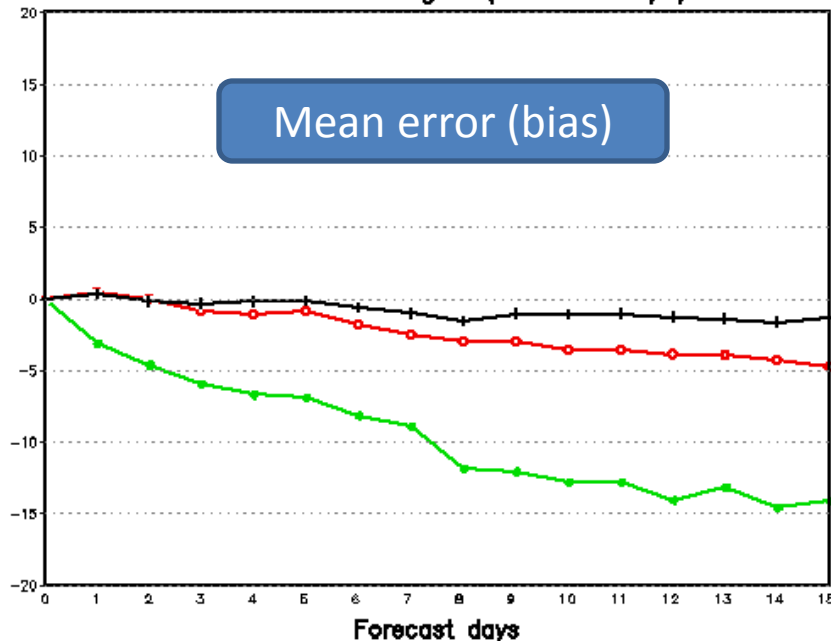
Statistical period:
01/01/2001 – 12/31/2001
(183 cases)

Ensemble control only
TL574L64 (0-192h)
TL382L64 (192-384h)

NH 500 mb Height (F-A rms)

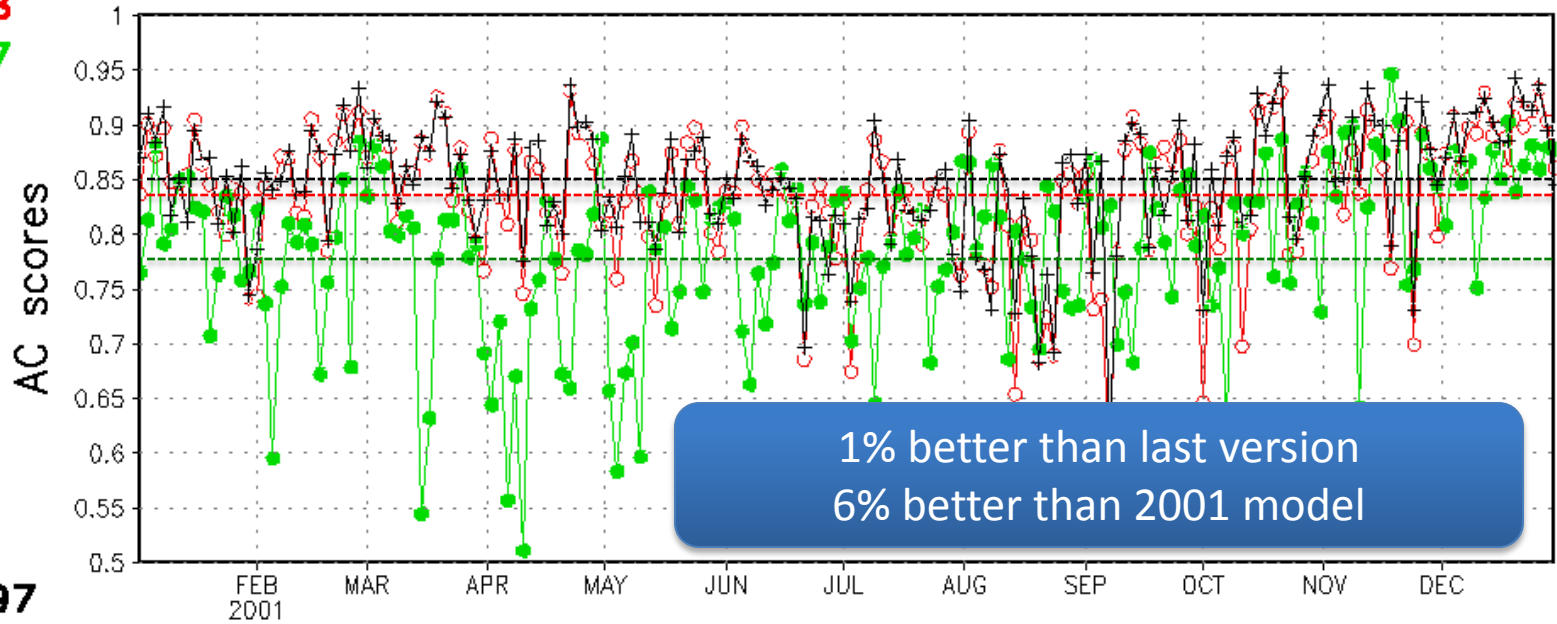


NH 500 mb Height (F-A mean)

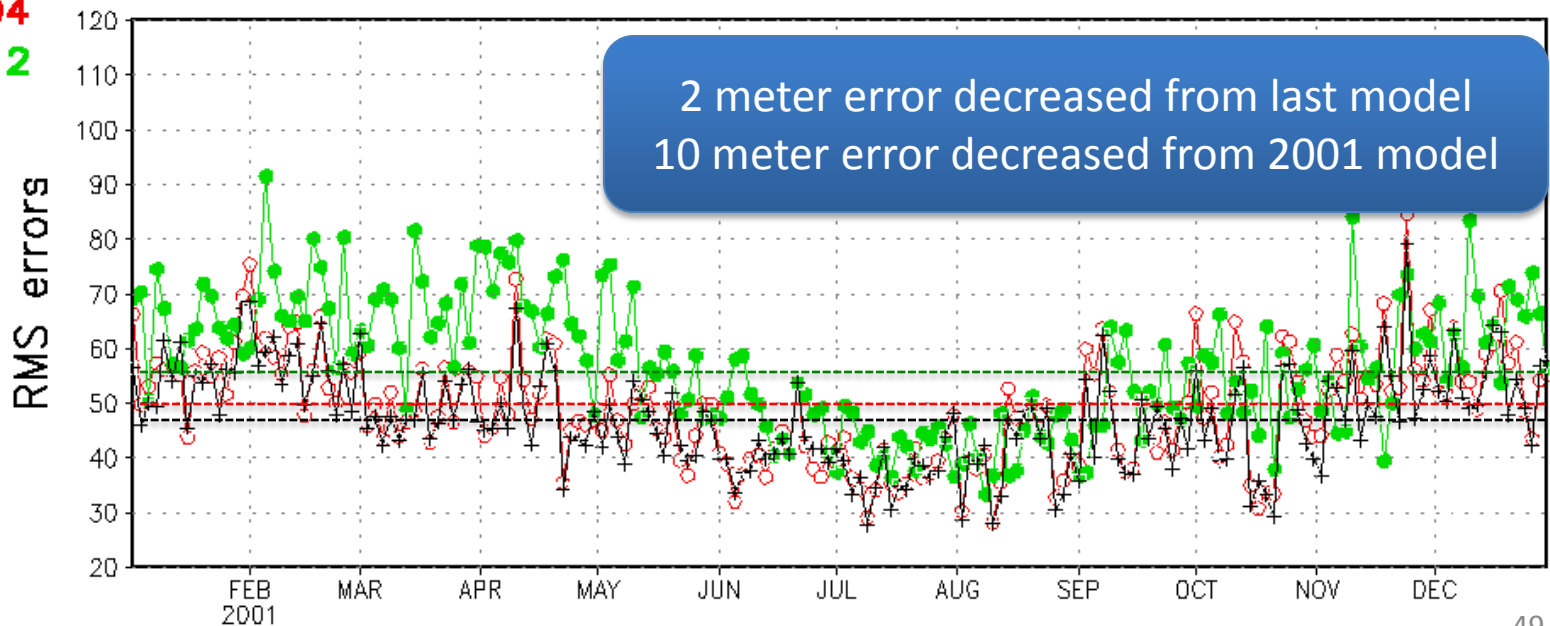


NH 500 hPa Geopotential Height at day 5 for 00Z02JAN2001 – 00Z30DEC2001

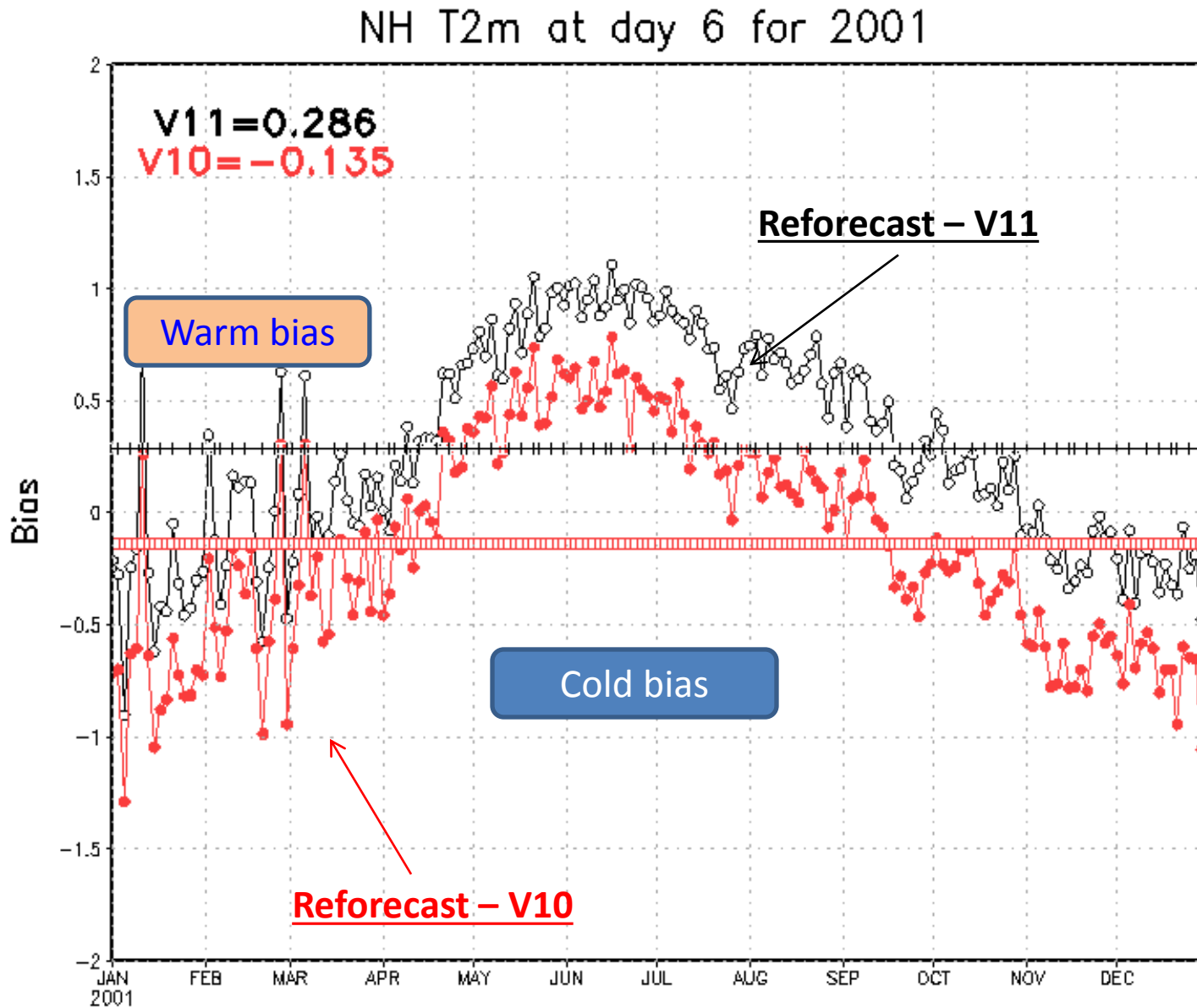
V11=0.848
V10=0.838
GFS=0.787



V11=47.297
V10=49.204
GFS=57.112



2-meter temp. bias of 2001 (fcst: 144 hours)



Where/when can you get data?

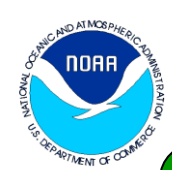
- For NCEP service centers
 - All retrospective forecasts have been saved on HPSS.
 - Selected variables for short period are on disk
- For general public users
 - Will publish part of retrospective forecast for public access (soon)
 - Selected variables (80 NAEFS exchange variables)
 - Period: 5/13/2013 – current: 00UTC forecast only
 - 1x1 degree and every 6 hrs, out to 16 days
 - 18year control only reforecast – possible to have limited variables for anonymous ftp access (request only)
- NCO has run real time parallel in May 2015
 - Real time data access through NCEP ftp (soon)
 - 0.5d and 3 hrly pgrb data for first 8 days will be available

NAEFS Global Grid Exchange Variables for 1.0d

Update: June 2013

Variables	Levels and Categories	Total 80
GHT	Surface, 10, 50, 100, 200, 250, 500, 700, 850, 925, 1000 hPa	11
TMP	2m, 2mMax, 2mMin, 10, 50, 100, 200, 250, 500, 700, 850, 925, 1000 hPa	13
RH	2m, 10, 50, 100, 200, 250, 500, 700, 850, 925, 1000 hPa	11
UGRD	10m, 10, 50, 100, 200, 250, 500, 700, 850, 925, 1000 hPa	11
VGRD	10m, 10, 50, 100, 200, 250, 500, 700, 850, 925, 1000 hPa	11
PRES	Surface, PRMSL	2
PRCP	APCP, CRAIN, CSNOW, CFRZR, CICEP	5
FLUX (surface)	LHTFL, SHTFL, DSWRF, DLWRF, USWRF, ULWRF	6
FLUX (top)	ULWRF (OLR)	1
PWAT	Total precipitable water at atmospheric column	1
TCDC	Total cloud cover at atmospheric column	1
CAPE	Convective available potential energy, Convective Inhibition	2
SOIL/SNOW	SOILW(0-10cm) , TMP(0-10cm down), WEASD(water equiv. of accum. Snow depth), SNOD(surface)	4
Other	850 hPa vertical velocity	1
Notes	Current NAEFS grids at 1*1 degree	

Background !!!



GEFS (V11.0.0) Upgrade (Q4FY15)

Project Status as of 5/29/2015



G Project Information and Highlights

Lead: Yuejian Zhu, EMC, Becky Cosgrove, NCO

Scope:

- Latest GFS model (SLG version with improved physics).
- Configurations: T574L64 and T382L64 out to 384 hours
 - 0-192hr - T574 (T382 for physics – 33-35km
 - 192-384hr – T382 (T254 for physics) – 51-54km
 - L64 – the same vertical resolution as EnKF, GFS
- Initial perturbations
 - EnkF 6h forecast with improved TS relocation and centralization
- Stochastic physics
 - Tuning parameters for STTP to upgrade GFS model
 - Turn off stochastic perturbation of log surface pressure
- Forecast data output
 - All GRIB II format
 - 0.5degree data for pgb files
 - 3 hourly output frequency (out to 192 hours)

Expected Benefits:

- Improve TS track forecast
- Increase probabilistic forecast skill
- Improve predictability of HIW and extreme weather event

G Scheduling

Milestone (NCEP)	Date	Status
EMC testing complete/ EMC CCB approval	2/10/2015	
Initial Code Delivery to NCO	2/10/2015	
Technical Information Notice Issued	2/15/2015	
Initial Test Complete		
CCB approve parallel data feed		
IT testing begins		
IT testing ends		
Parallel testing begun in NCO (Code Frozen)	03/01/2015	
Real-Time Evaluation Ends	04/01/2015	
Management Briefing		
Implementation		

G Issues/Risks

Issues: N/A

Risks:

Current: ~100 nodes – 60 minutes
 Future ~300 nodes – 60 minutes

Mitigation:

G Finances

Associated Costs:

Funding Sources: EMC Base: NCO Base:



Legacy GEFS (00UTC only) (Q4FY15)

Project Status as of 05/29/2015



G Project Information and Highlights

Lead: Yuejian Zhu, EMC, Chris Magee, NCO

Scope:

- Continue to run current GEFS (00UTC only – once per day)
- Configurations: T254L42 and T190L42 out to 384 hours
 - 0-192hr – T254 – 33-35km
 - 192-384hr – T190 – 51-54km
 - L42 – for all lead times
- Initial perturbations
 - BV-ETR cycling (every 6-hr) with TS relocation
- Stochastic physics
 - Stochastic Total Tendency Perturbation (STTP)
- Forecast data delivery
 - All GRIB II format and raw data only
 - Data will not be for public access
 - Expect time to finish < +8hrs (?)
- Scripts/codes structures
 - Will keep current operational structure (not vertical)

Expected Benefits:

- Downstream applications
- OHD (RFCs) and CPC

G Scheduling

Milestone (NCEP)	Date	Status
EMC testing complete/ EMC CCB approval	02/10/2015	
Initial Code Delivery to NCO	02/10/2015	
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Initial Test Complete		
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G Issues/Risks

Issues: N/A

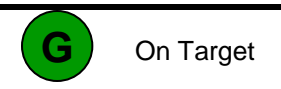
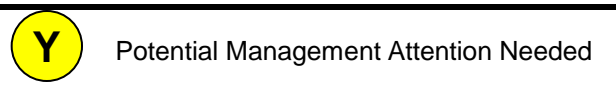
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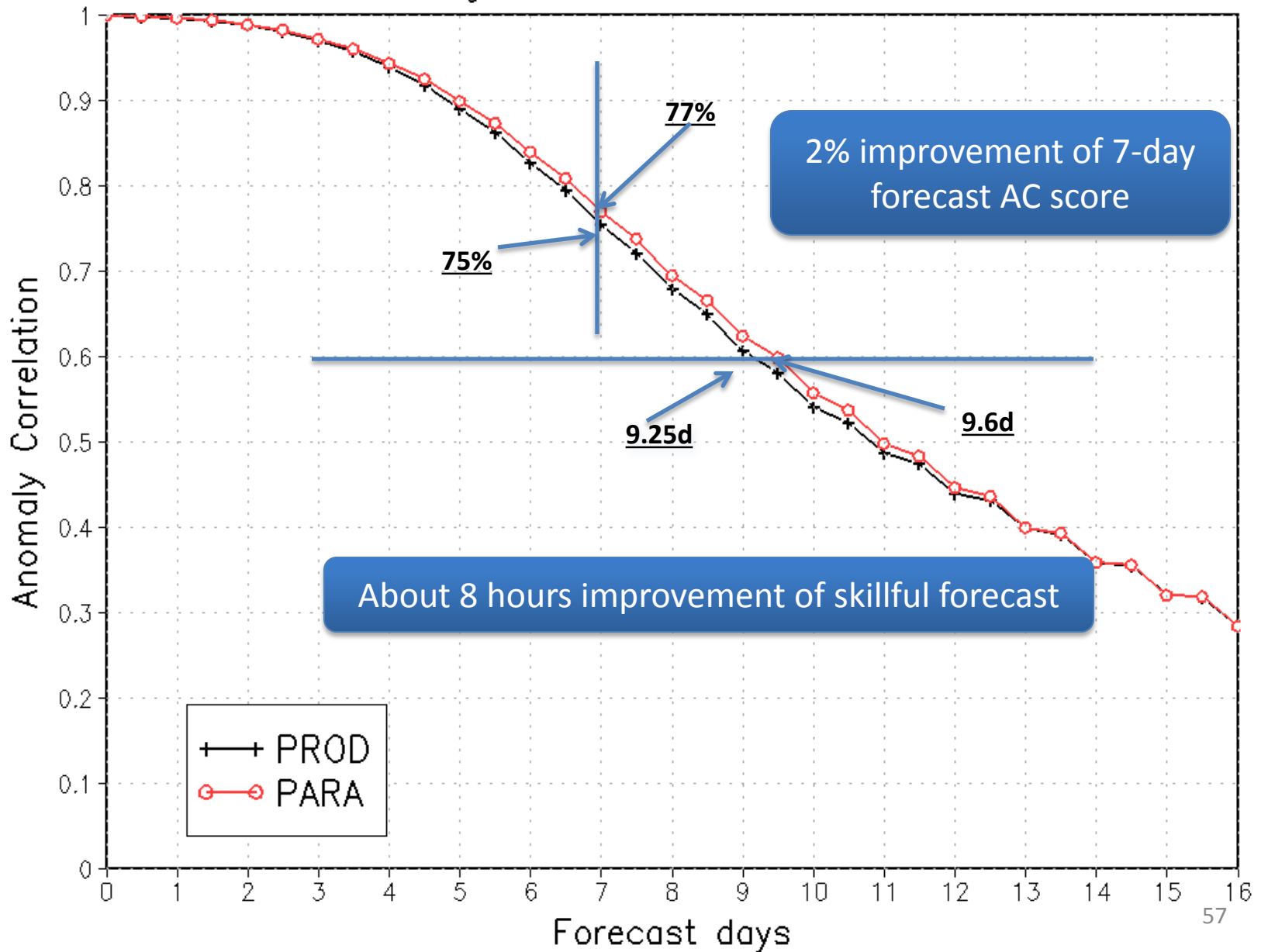


Evolution of NCEP GEFS configuration (versions)

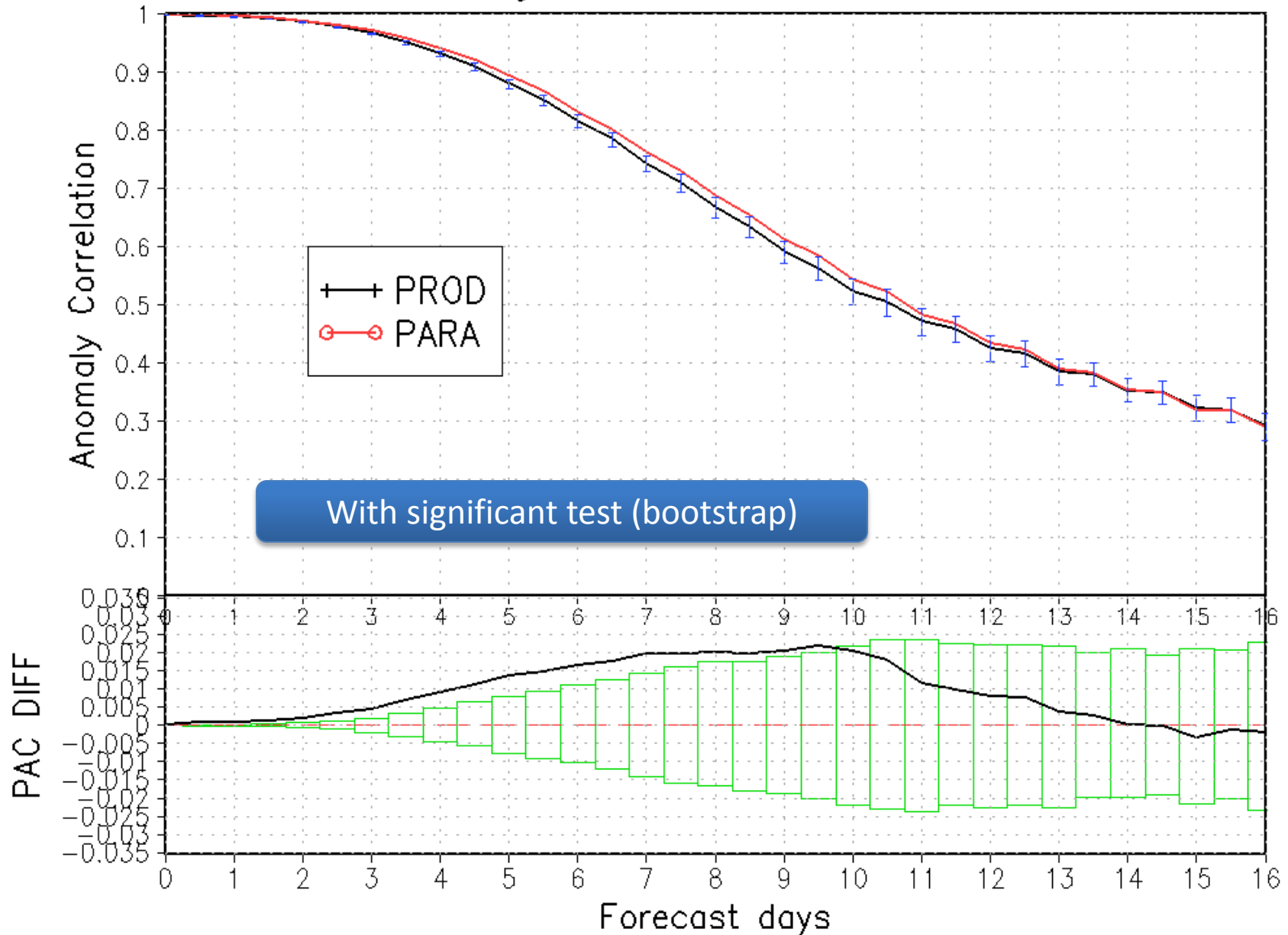
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V1.0	1992.12	BV	None	None	T62L18	12	2	00UTC
V2.0	1994.3				T62L18	16	10(00UTC) 4(12UTC)	00,12UTC
V3.0	2000.6				T126L28(0-2.5) T62L28(2.5-16)			
V4.0	2001.1				T126(0-3.5) T62L28(3.5-16)			
V5.0	2004.3				T126L28(0-7.5) T62L28(7.5-16)			
V6.0	2005.8				T126L28			
V7.0	2006.5	BV- ETR	TSR	STTP	T190L28	14	00,06,12, 18UTC	
V8.0	2007.3				20			
V9.0	2010.2							
V10.0	2012.2							
V11.0	2015.04	EnKF (f06)			T1574L64 (0-8) T1382L64 (8-16)		56	

409 cases

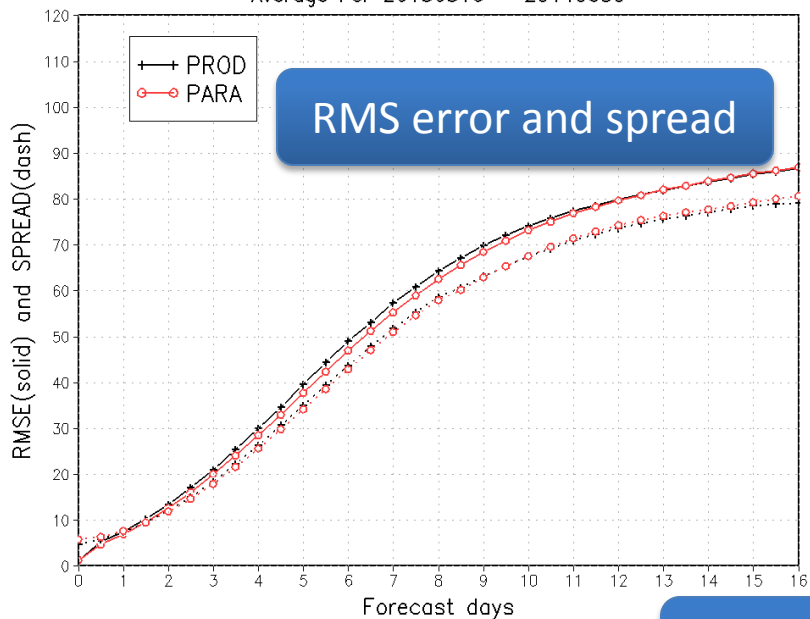
Northern Hemisphere 500hPa Height Ensemble Mean Anomaly Correlation Average For 20130516 – 20140630



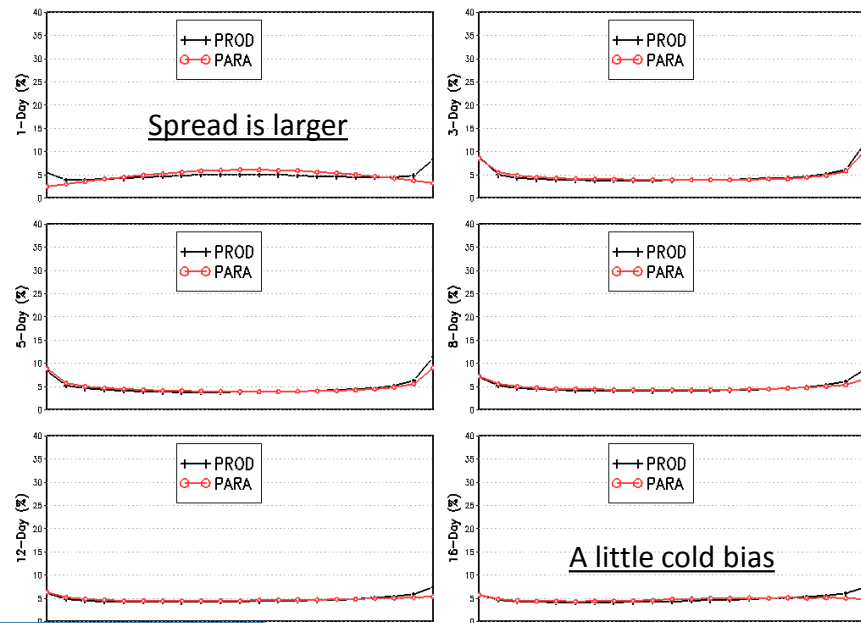
Northern Hemisphere 500hPa Height
Ensemble Mean Anomaly Correlation
Average For 20130516 – 20131031



Northern Hemisphere 500hPa Height
Ensemble Mean RMSE and Ensemble SPREAD
Average For 20130516 – 20140630

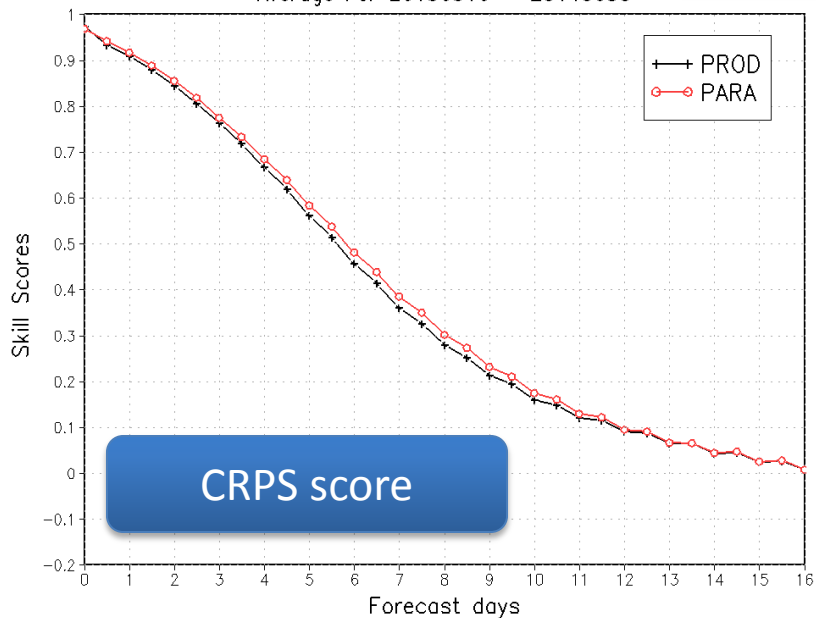


Northern Hemisphere 500hPa Height Histogram Distribution
Average For 20130516 – 20140630

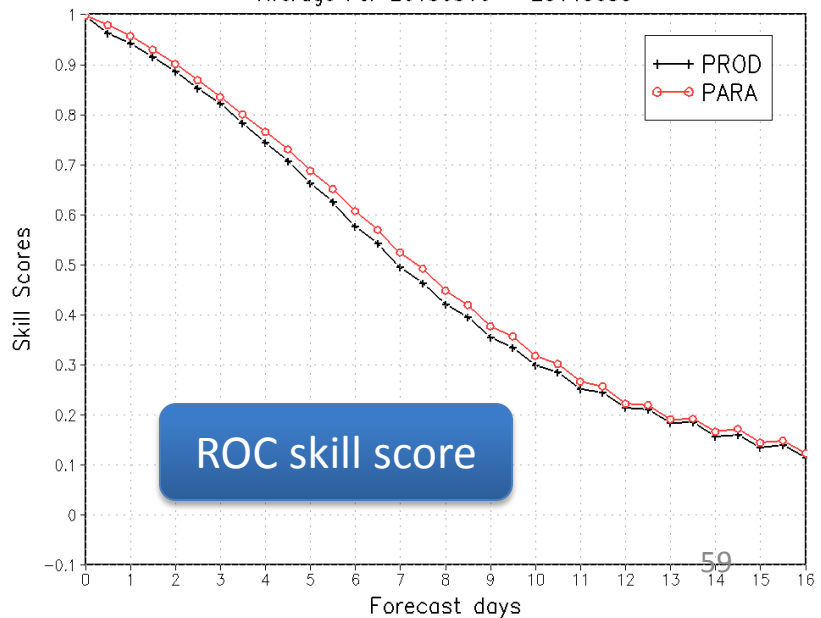


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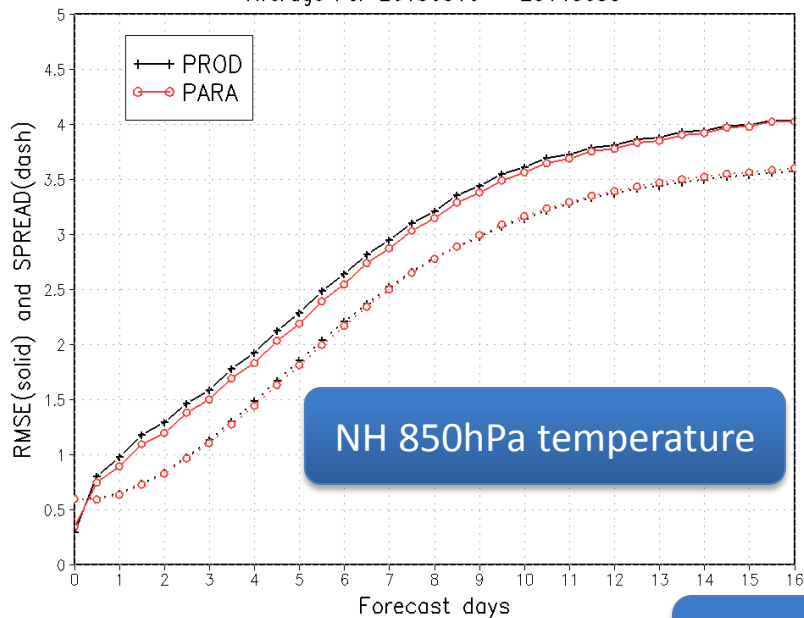
Northern Hemisphere 500hPa Height
Continuous Ranked Probability Skill Scores
Average For 20130516 – 20140630



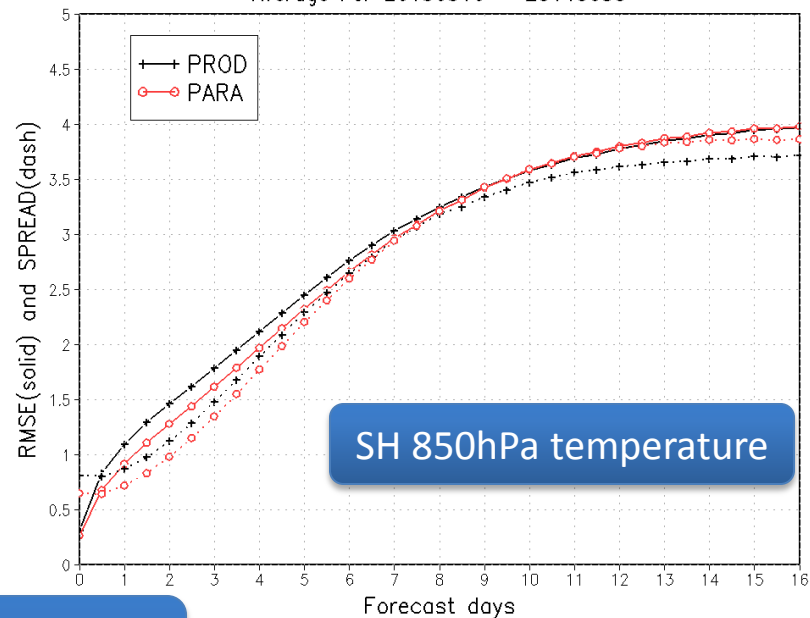
Northern Hemisphere 500hPa Height
ROC area (0-1)
Average For 20130516 – 20140630



Northern Hemisphere 850hPa Temp.
Ensemble Mean RMSE and Ensemble SPREAD
Average For 20130516 – 20140630

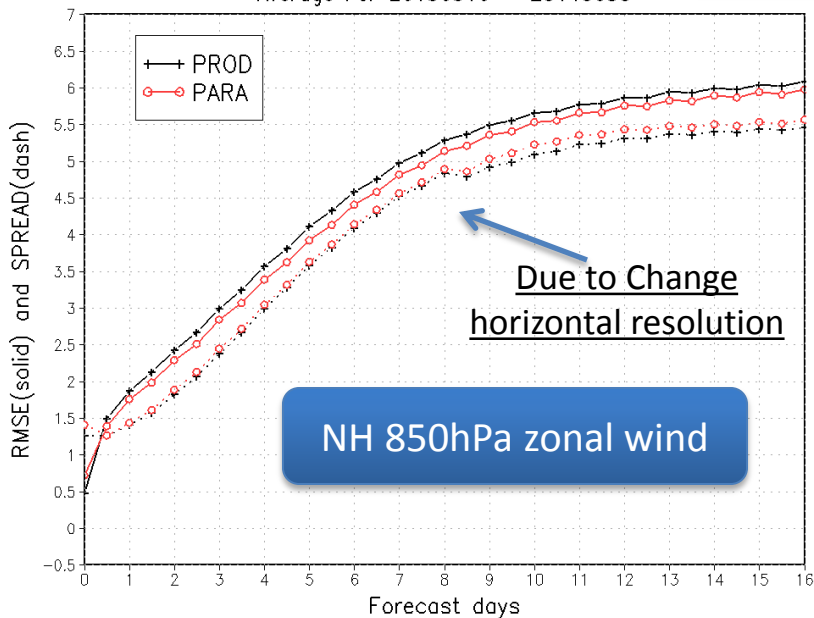


Southern Hemisphere 850hPa Temp.
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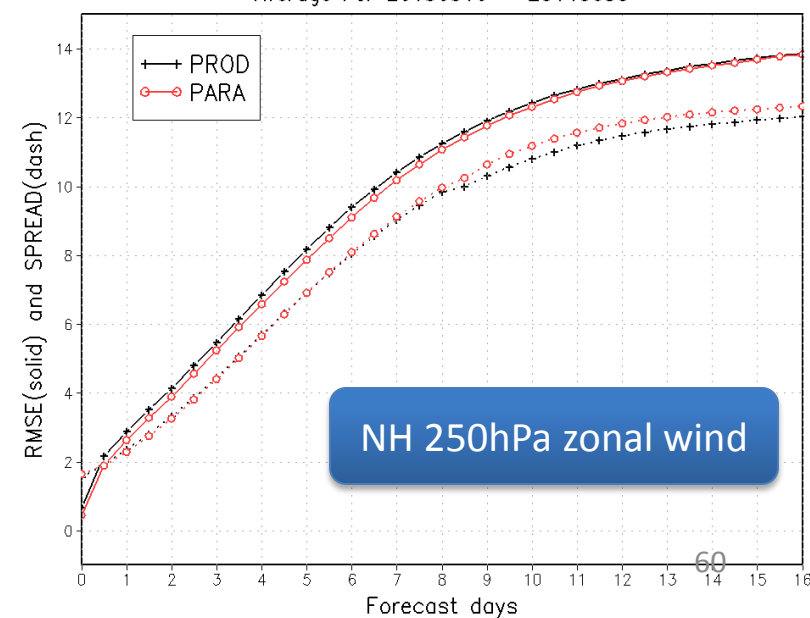


RMS error and spread

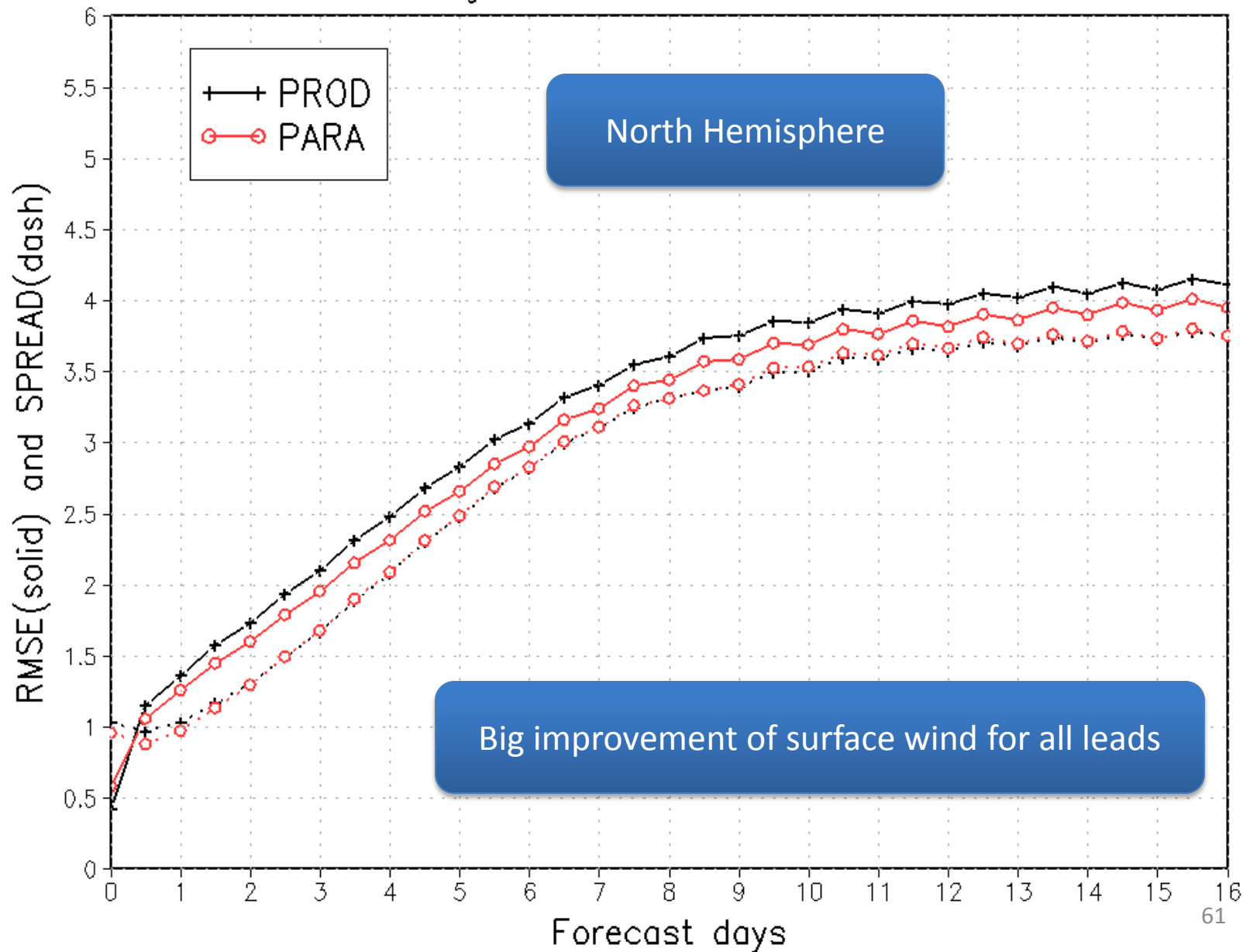
Northern Hemisphere 850hPa U.
Ensemble Mean RMSE and Ensemble SPREAD
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Northern Hemisphere 250hPa U.
Ensemble Mean RMSE and Ensemble SPREAD
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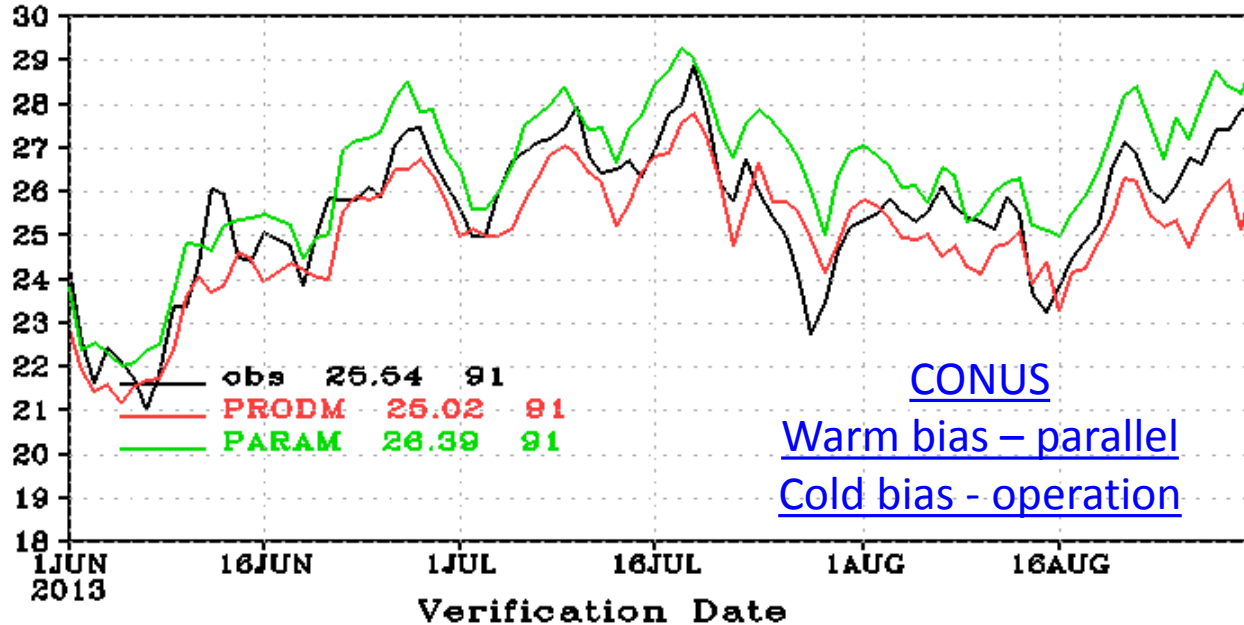
Northern Hemisphere 10 Meter Wind(U)
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Average For 20130516 - 20140630



2-meter temperature evaluation against observation

(6 days – 144 hrs forecast)

T SFC, CONUS, 00Z cycle, fh144

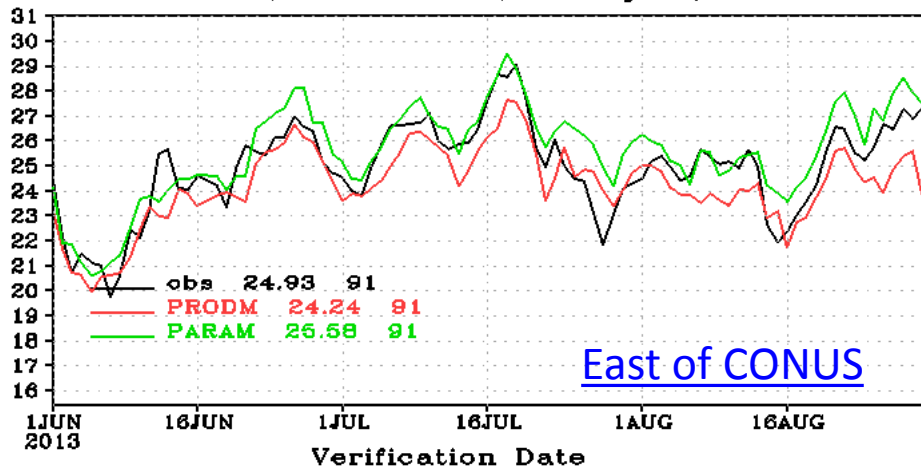


Ensemble mean

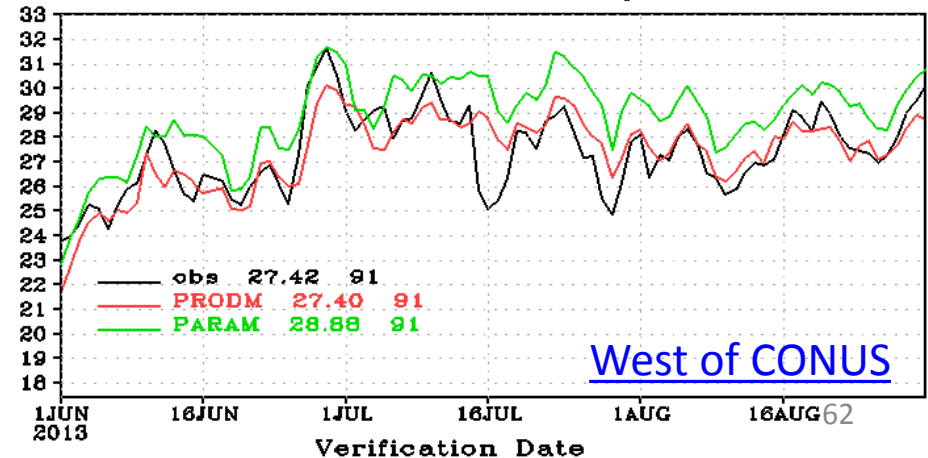
Summer 2013

3 months

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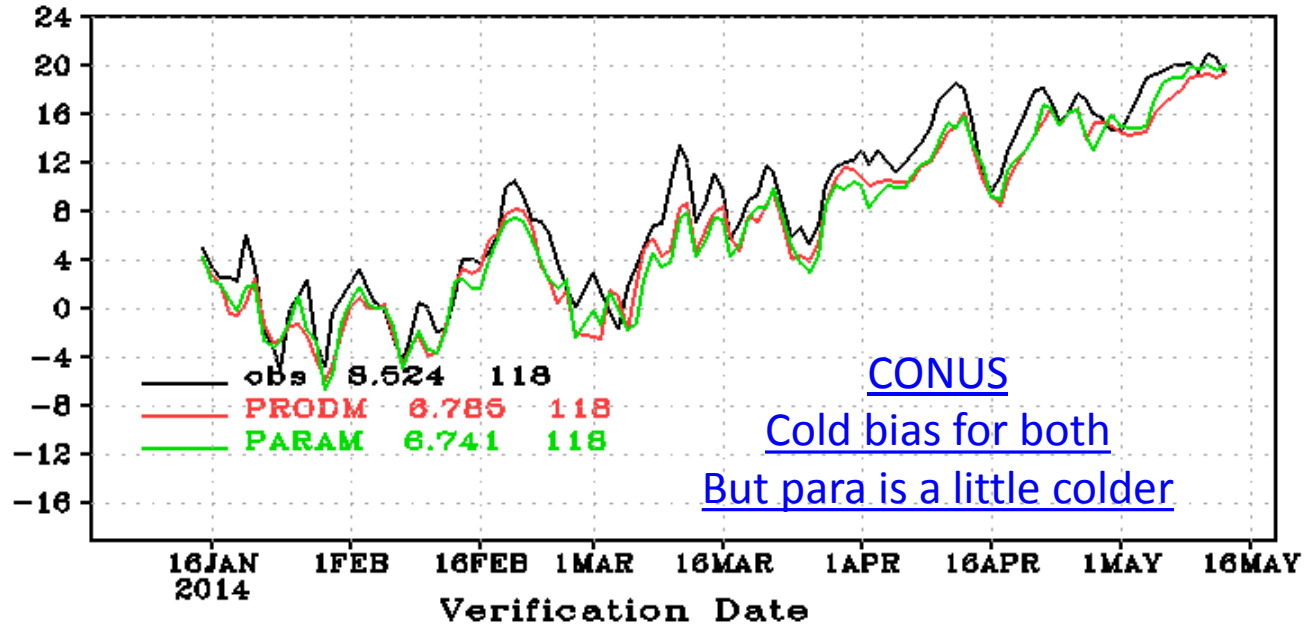
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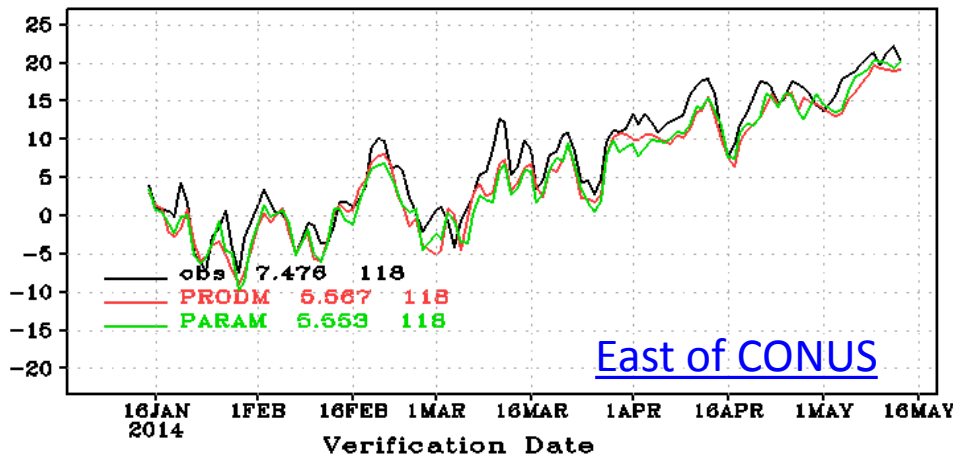
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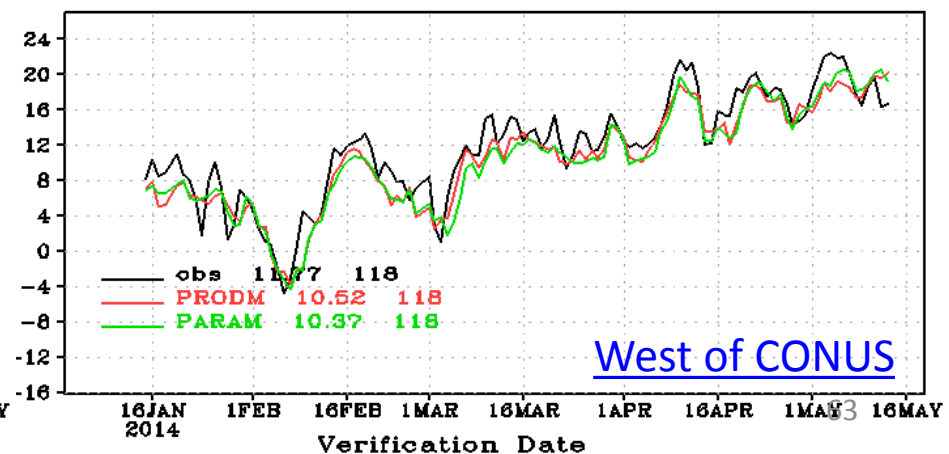
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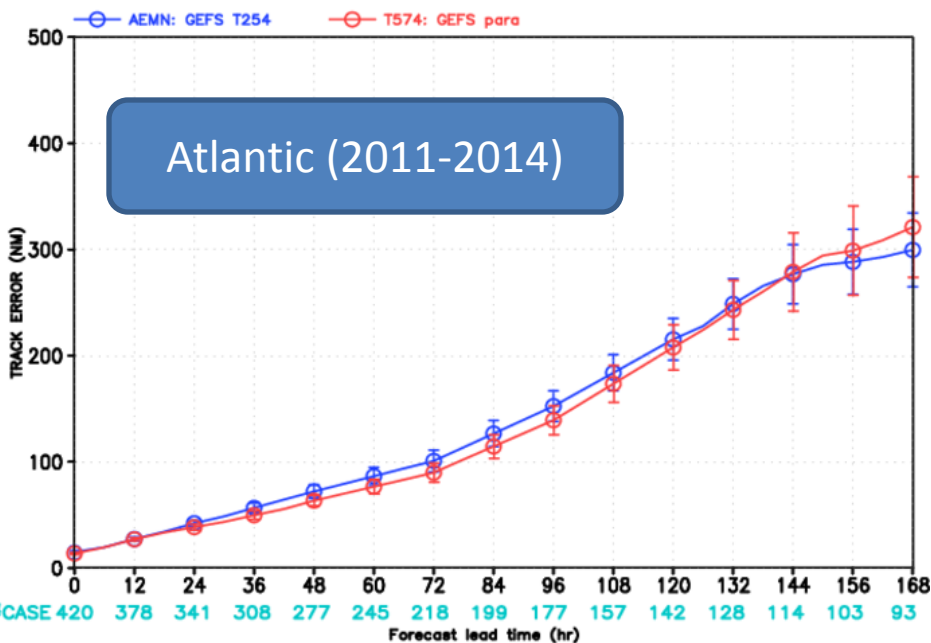
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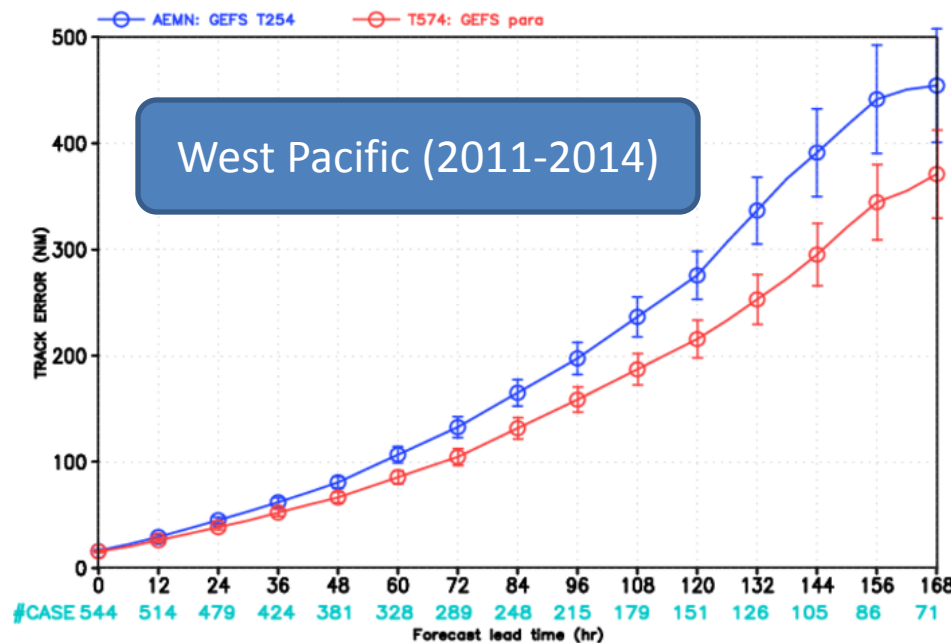
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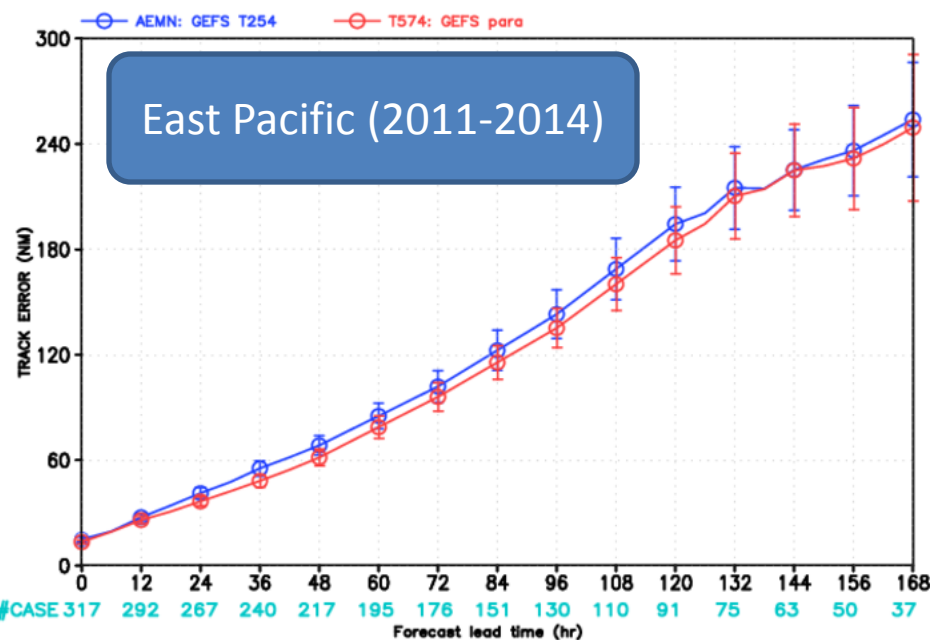
GEFS FORECAST – TRACK ERROR (NM) STATISTICS
 GEFS EXPERIMENT FOR Atlantic 2011–2014



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 GEFS EXPERIMENT FOR West Pacific 2011–2014



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 GEFS EXPERIMENT FOR East Pacific 2011–2014



TS track verification

1. For 2011 season, there are selected Atlantic/East Pacific cases only
2. For 2011 season, we use GEFSv10 parallel to compare, instead of operational GEFSv09
3. Samples are for named TC only (less samples)