NAEFS Upgrade (v6)

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PRCP	APCP, CRAIN, CSNOW, CFRZR, CICEP	5/(0)
FLUX (surface)	LHTFL, SHTFL, DSWRF, DLWRF, USWRF, ULWRF	6/(0)
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Summary of EMC's evaluation

- GEFS_bc at 0.5degree
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- CMC_bc at 0.5degree
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- Anomaly forecast and EFI at 0.5degree
  - Well captures extreme events

Summary of WPC's Evaluation

(Mike Bodner, Sara Ganetis, and Bill Lamberson)

- Using the Bias Corrected GEFS in the WPC-HMT Day 8-10 Forecast Experiment
  - Use GEFS-BC QPF and 2-meter temperatures in the forecaster blend of the Day 8-10 experiment.
  - Systematic verification is done on the actual forecast blend and not individual components
  - Warm season QPF presents a much greater challenge than cold season
  - GEFS-BC often cuts down on any over forecasting by GEFS mean.
  - WPC would like to know more as to how reliable bias correction methods are with tropical cyclone induced QPF
- Recommendation for implementation
  - **Yes**

Summary of NWS/ER's evaluation

- NWS/ER – Richard Grumm (SOO)
- Quote for "ANL" and "EFI" (early comments):
  - General concise and useful conclusions.
  - We need more operationally available data and products of this type in real-time.
- Current comments:
  - "…… These events all demonstrate the value of **ANF** and **EFI** tools to help forecasters provide input to decision makers in potential extreme weather events. These tools provide additional confidence in the potential ***for meteorologically and climatologically rare and extreme events.*** All of these events were readily identified using re-analysis climate (R-Climate) data to assess the extreme nature of the event. The standardized anomalies help but the PDF often helps put the potential extreme nature of the event into context."
  - See full memo from Richard Grumm.
- Recommendation for implementation
  - **Yes**

Summary of MDL's Evaluation

(John Wagner)

- Conducted EKDMOS tests using 0.5 Degree GEFS and CMCE Data
  - Current EKDMOS equations were developed using 1.0 degree GEFS and CMCE ensemble means
  - Bilinear interpolation used to get station values
  - Changes in grid resolution will affect the interpolated station values
  - Tested 00Z and 12Z T/Td/Tmax/Tmin
- Results
  - Compared CRPS and SQBIAS scores for accuracy and reliability of PDFs
  - Compared MAE and Bias scores for accuracy of the ensemble means
  - Results were comparable for 0.5 and 1.0 degree tests
  - EKDMOS will not require a redevelopment to use 0.5 degree model data
- Recommendation for implementation
  - **YES**

CPC's Comments

(Jon Gottschalck)

- CPC **supports the upgrade** as the only change is with respect to resolution and data format. We have confirmed that we can properly adjust to format changes when and where required and will re-affirm this during the NCO data flow review period associated with this upgrade.

- Available data record was insufficient to provide representative and reliable quantitative comparison results to EMC in a way that CPC normally does (i.e., differences in 500-hPa height, D+11 T/P).

Response from public (private sector) users

Yuejian,

Thanks for the updated slides. I apologize for not getting this back to you sooner. I did go through this upon your original email, but was sidetracked before I had a chance to respond.

FirstEnergy looks forward to seeing the changes in the upgrade. The bias correction of precipitation looks very promising, and we have seen value in the frequency matching method elsewhere. The downscaling of the precipitation will also looks promising.

We look forward to seeing the bias correction of 10m winds as well. We have historically not used this parameter from the NAEFS, but will make a point to look at it once it is available.

The EFI will be very valuable and we look forward to use it.

Thank you for including FirstEnergy in the evaluation! Please let us know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Brian Kolts (and Thomas Workoff) Staff Scientist (July 6 2017)
FirstEnergy 330 436 1404

Issues for Downstream and Data Change

- SCN (TIN) is ready to NCO dataflow team.
- Impact of downstream:
  - Wave ensemble (no impact - confirmed)
  - NBM – contact Jeff Craven (not be an issue to change input data from 1.0d to 0.5d)
  - EKDMOS – contact John Wagner (already tested)
  - CPC – contact Jon Gottschalck, Matt Rosencrans (not be an issue to change data input from 1.0d to 0.5d for CPC's operation

NAEFS (NUOPC) Version 6.0
Status as of 9/7/17

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Project Information & Highlights

Leads: Yuejian Zhu/ Bo Cui (EMC), Steven Earle (NCO)

Scope: Introduce higher resolution raw (CMC) and bias corrected (NCEP and CMC) global ensemble forecast. Improve methodology (hybrid of decaying and reforecast) for bias correction. Introduce extreme forecast products.

Expected benefits: Higher quality NAEFS products

Dependencies: Data exchange with CMC (and FNMOC)

G **Schedule**

Milestones & Deliverables	Date	Status
Freeze system code; deliver to NCO if applicable	4/10/17	Completed
Complete full retrospective/real time runs and evaluation	9/06/17	On track
Conduct CCB and OD briefing and deliver final system code to NCO	9/08/17	On track
Issue Technical Information Notice	9/15/17	On track
Complete 30-day evaluation and IT testing	11/30/17	On track
Operational Implementation	12/05/17	On track

G **Issues/Risks**

Issues: Users evaluation for combined (NCEP + CMC) products;
Mitigation: delay implementation

EMC | NCO | Red text indicates change from previous quarter

G **Resources**

Staff: 0.5 Fed FTEs (Yuejian Zhu 0.3; Dingchen Hou 0.2) + 2.0 contractor FTEs (Bo Cui 0.8; Richard Wobus 0.5; Yan Luo 0.2; Hong Guan 0.2; Jiayi Peng 0.2; Wei Li 0.1) including dev of NAEFS and NUOPC.

Funding Source: STI

Compute: parallels: 50 nodes for 2 months (Delta: 40 nodes); **EMC Dev**: 50 nodes for 1-year (Delta: 40 nodes); **Ops**: 60 nodes (Delta: 30 nodes - higher water mark)

Archive: 10TB (no changes); **Ops**: 12 GB per cycle (no major changes)

R	Management Attention Required	Y	Potential Management Attention Needed	G	On Target

Resource of changes

- Current:
  - Length of process – last 2+ hours
  - How many nodes? - 30 nodes (peak)
  - Start time / end time – +6:00 - +8:00
  - Disk storage per cycle (28GB per cycle)
    - 17GB (pgrb2ap5)
    - 6.4GB (pgrb2a)
    - 10GB (pgrb2a_bc for GEFS and CMC)
    - 4GB (pgrb2a_an for GEFS and CMC)
- Future:
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    - 44GB (pgrb2ap5_bc, new for GEFS and CMC)
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    - 2GB (pecp_gb2, ndgd_prcp_gb2, new for precipitation)

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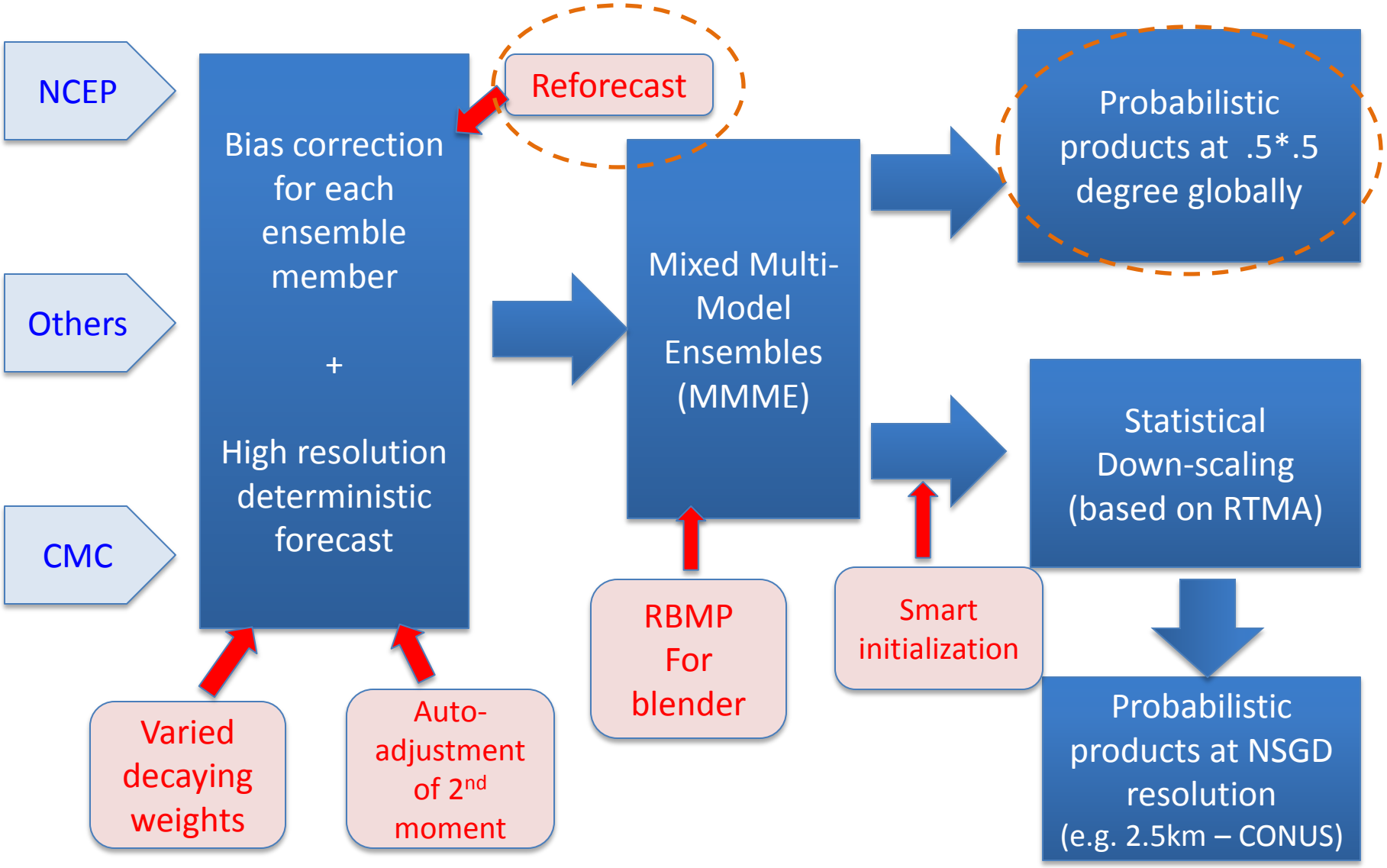
NAEFS Statistical Post-Process (SPP)

- Purpose
  - Improve reliability while maintaining resolution in NWP forecasts
    - Reduce systematic errors (improve reliability) while
    - Not increasing random errors (maintaining resolution)
      - Retain all useful information in NWP forecast

- Methodology
  - Use bias-free estimators of systematic error
  - Need methods with fast convergence using small sample
  - Easy implementation for frequency upgraded forecast system

- Approaches – Computational efficiency
  - Bias Correction : remove lead-time dependent bias on model grid
    - Working on coarser model grid allows use of more complex methods
    - Feedback on systematic errors to model development
  - Downscaling: downscale bias-corrected forecast to finer grid
    - Further refinement/complexity added
      - No dependence on lead time

Improving NAEFS Statistical Post-Processing System



NAEFS Bias Correction

(Decaying average method)

1). Bias Estimation:

$$b_{i,j}(t) = f_{i,j}(t) - a_{i,j}(t_0)$$

2). Decaying Average (Kalman Filter method)

$$B_{i,j}(t) = (1-w)\cdot B_{i,j}(t-1) + w\cdot b_{i,j}(t)$$

3). Decaying Weight: ***w*** =0.02 in GEFS bias correction (~ past 50-60 days information)

4). Bias corrected forecast:

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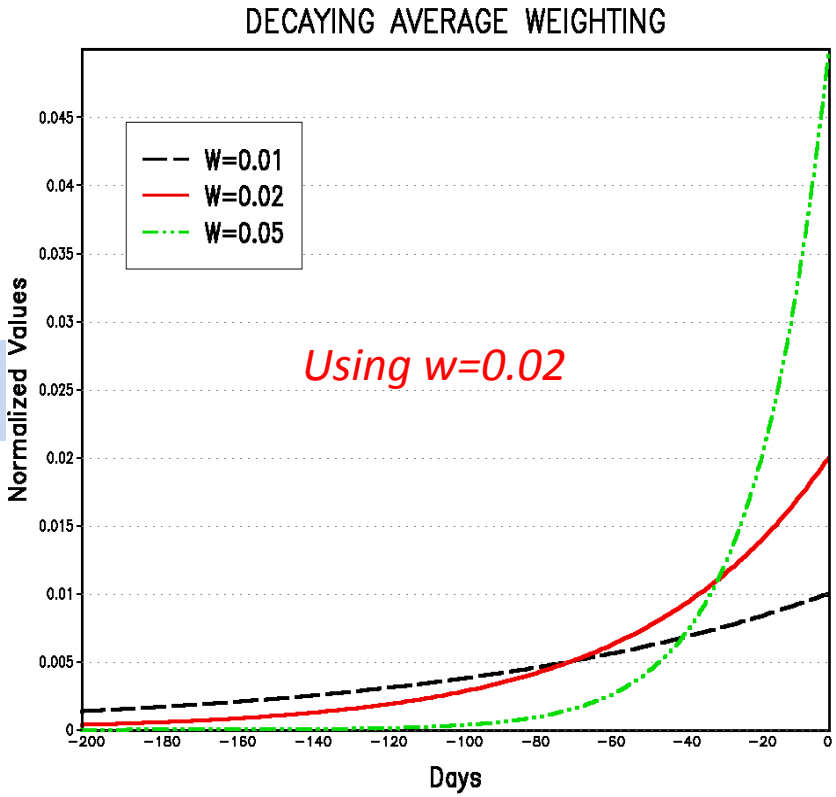
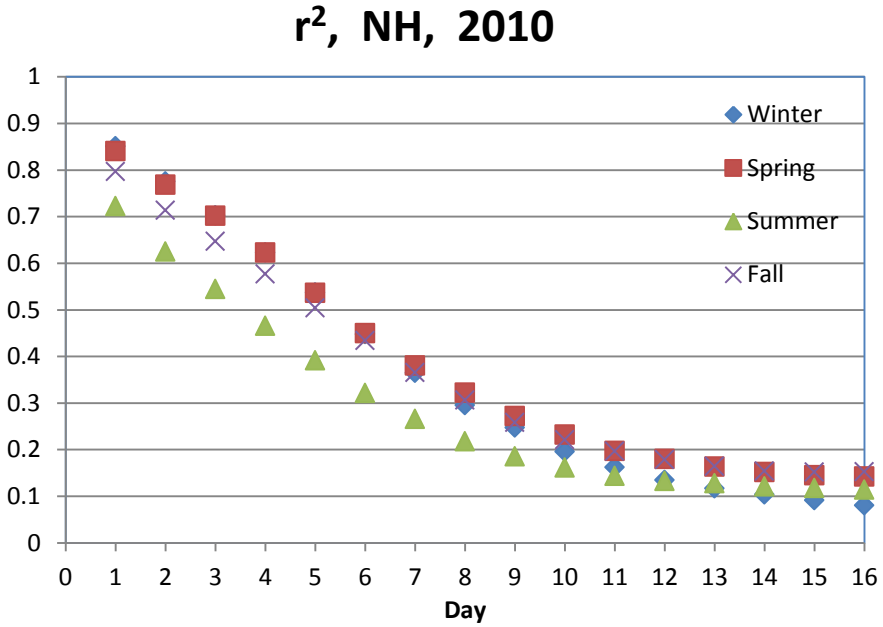


Simple Accumulated Bias

Assumption: Forecast and analysis (or observation) is fully correlated

Ref: Cui, Toth, Zhu and Hou, 2012

Using reforecast to improve current bias corrected product



r could be estimated by linear regression from joint samples, the joint sample mean could be generated from decaying average (*Kalman Filter* average) for easy forward.

Ref: Guan, Cui and Zhu: 2015

Bias corrected forecast: The new (or bias corrected) forecast (***F)*** will be generated by applying decaying average bias (***B***) and reforecast bias (***b***) to current raw forecast (***f***) for each lead time, at each grid point, and each parameter.

$$F_{i,j}^{m} = f_{i,j}^{m} + (r_{i,j}^{2} - 1) \cdot b_{i,j} - r_{i,j}^{2} B_{i,j}$$

bias corrected forecast

raw forecast

reforecast bias

decaying average bias

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Part I: NCEP GEFS Bias Correction

Upgrade, new added, downscaling

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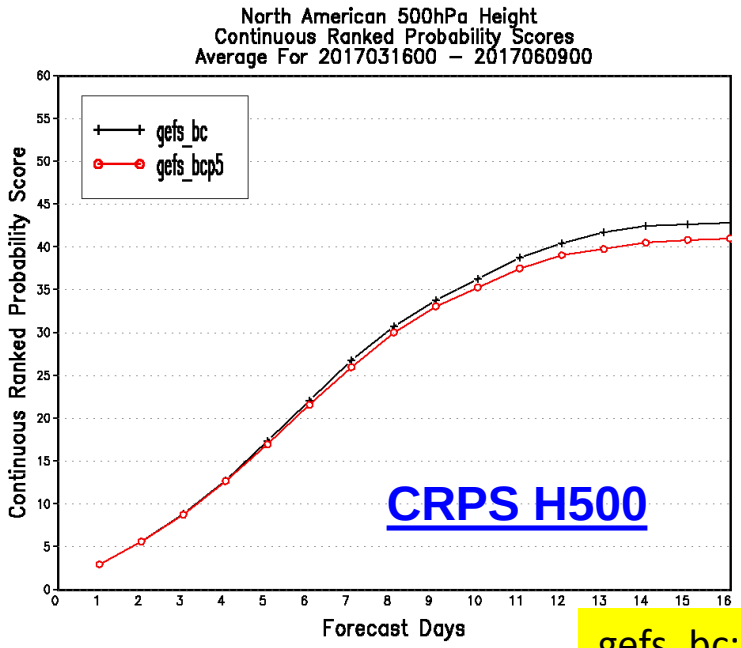

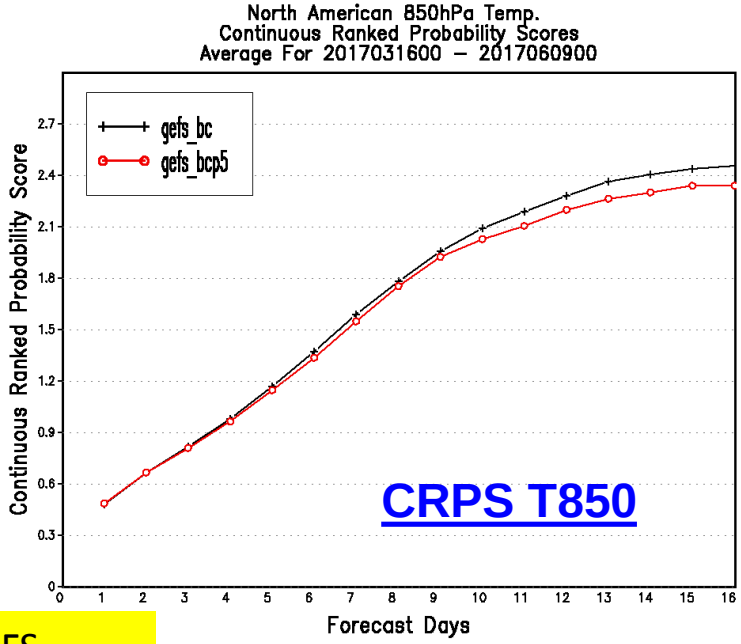

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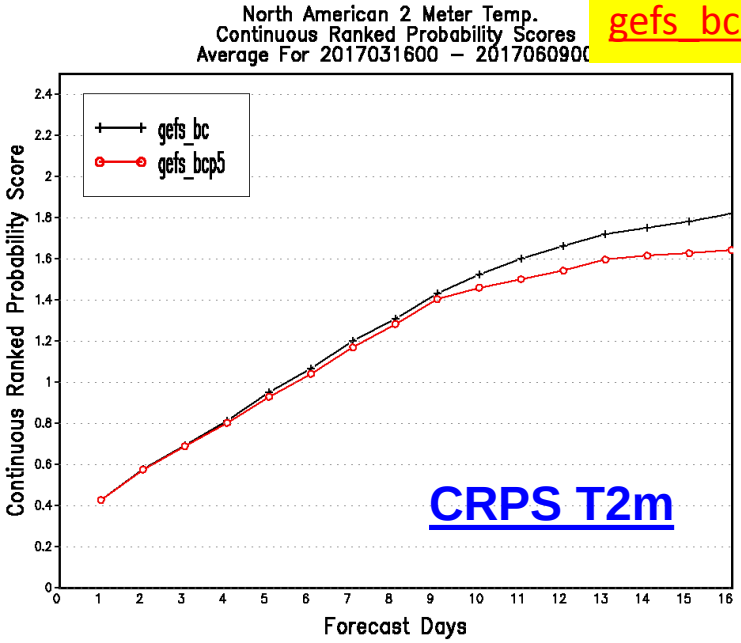
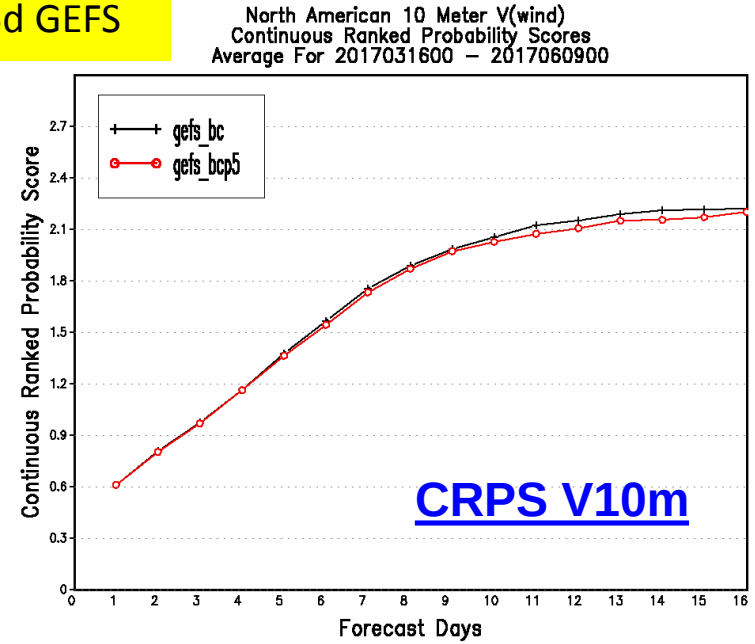
gefs_bcp5: 0.5d GEFS





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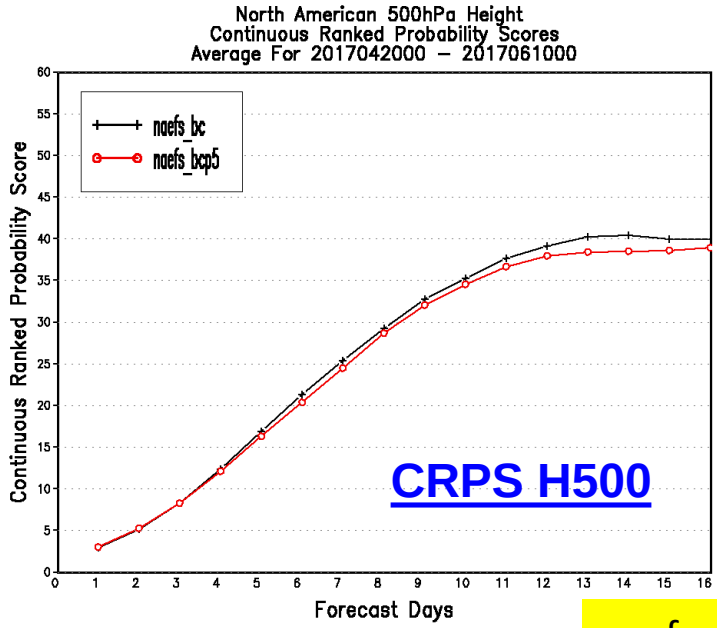

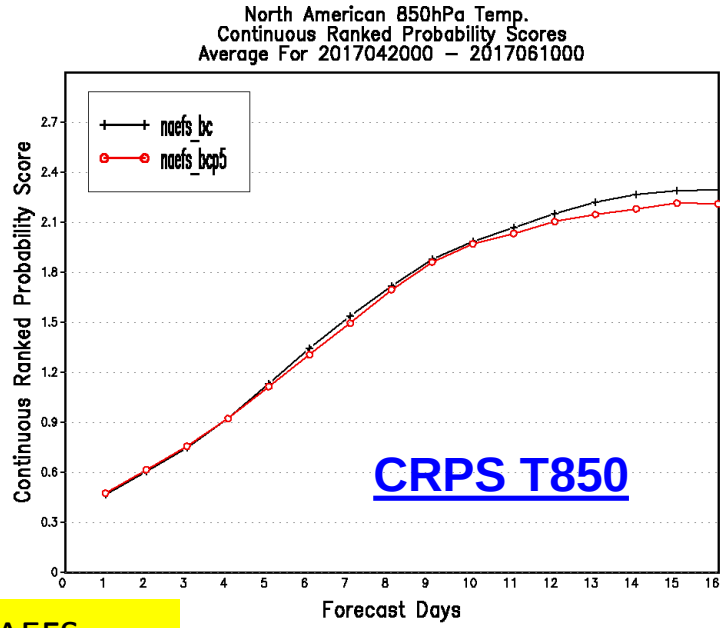

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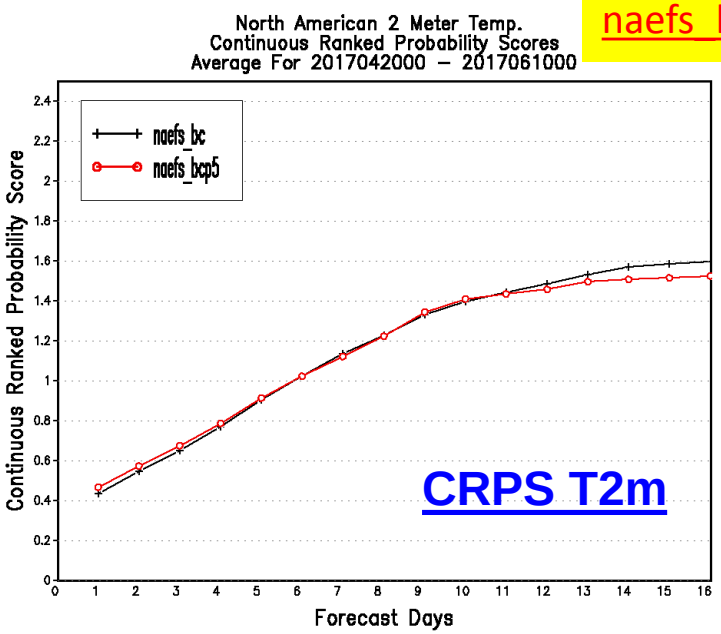

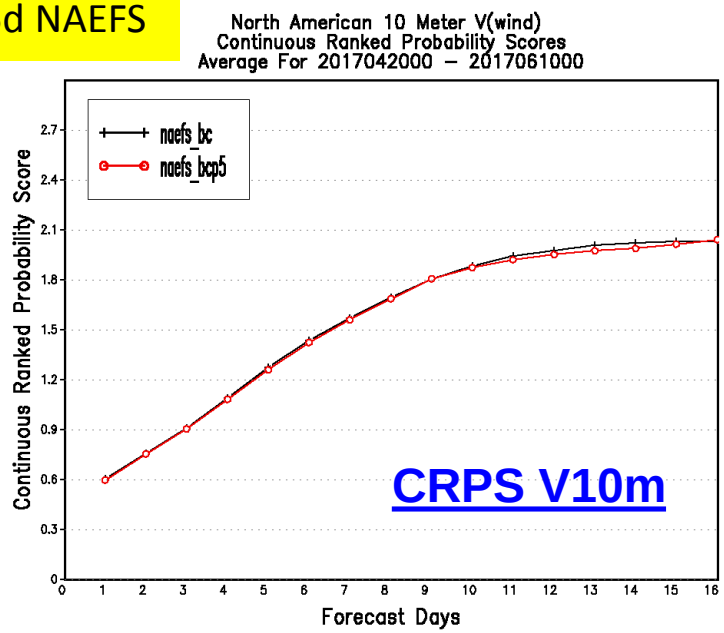

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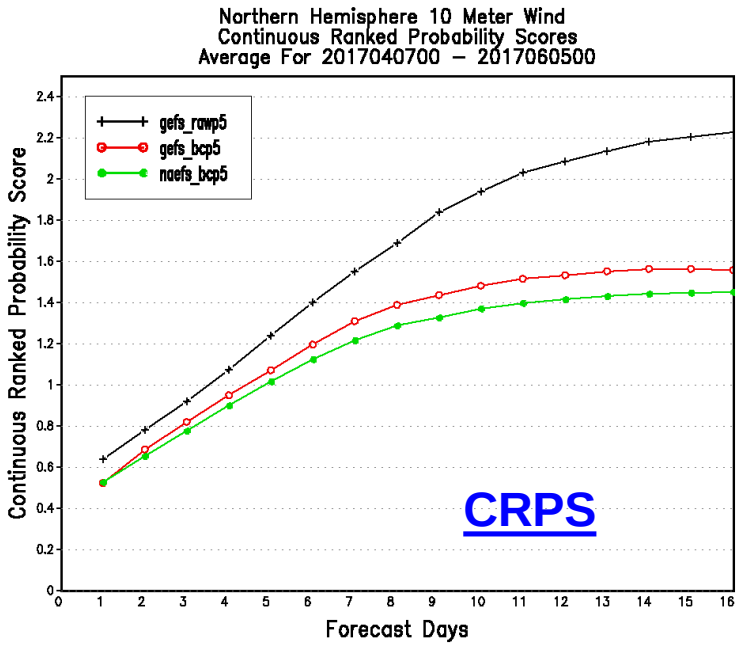

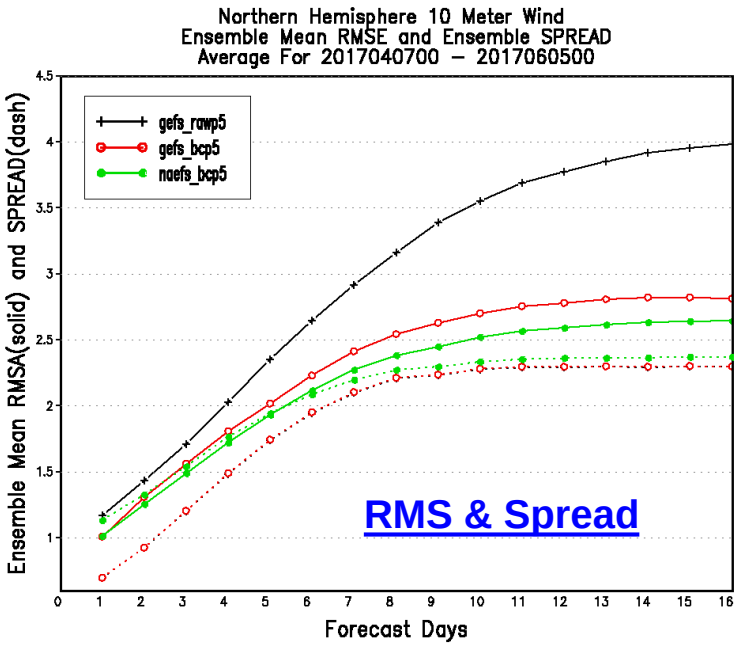

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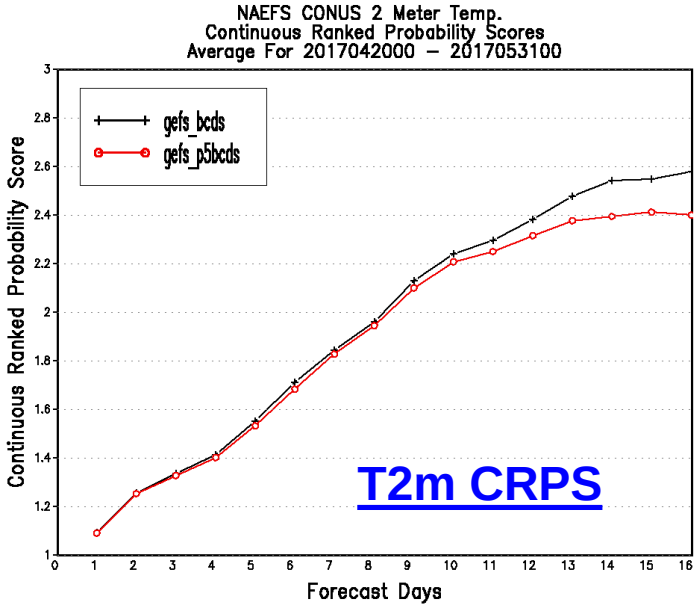
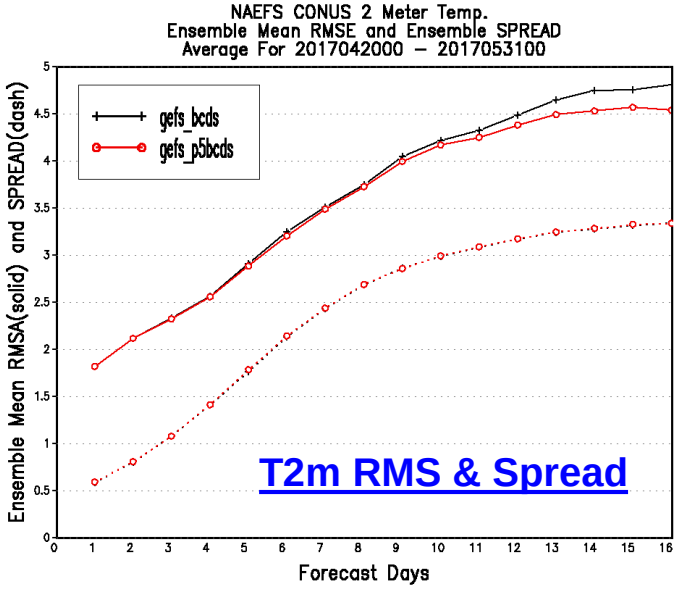
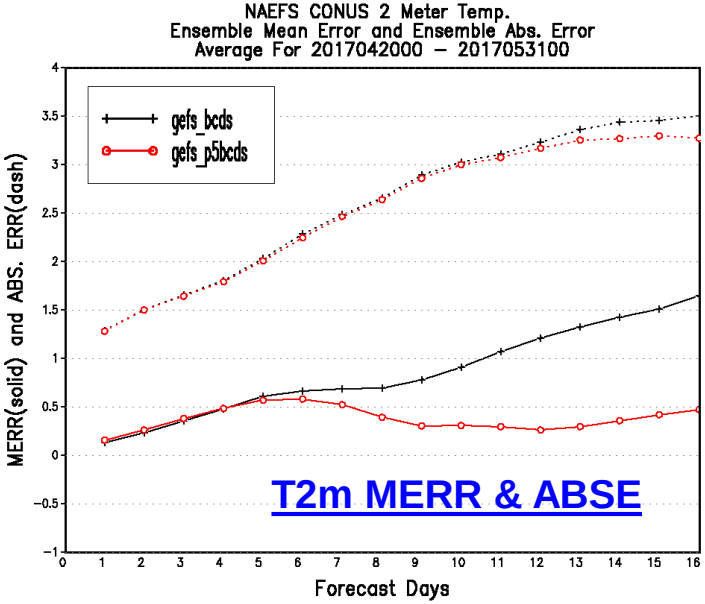
gefs_bcp5: 0.5d GEFS bias corrected
naefs_bcp5: 0.5d NAEFS bias corrected

http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/wx20cb/naefs.v6.0.0/crps_3line_gefsdev_2017040700.2017060500_24h/GEFS_Spr2017.html

CONUS Downscaled Product (2017 Spring)







2017 Spring

gefs_bcds: from 1d GEFS bias corrected fcst
gefs_p5bcds: from 0.5d GEFS bias corrected fcst

Verified CONUS RTMA Analysis

http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/wx20cb/naefs.v6.0.0/conus_2lines_dev_2017042000.2017053100

Part I: NCEP GEFS Bias Correction

Upgrade for precipitation , and downscaling

Precipitation Calibrated Products

Upgrade NCEP/GEFS bias-corrected products

- From 2.5*2.5deg, 24hr accumulated QPFs/PQPFs, 00Z only (Implemented in May 2004)
- To 0.5*0.5 deg, 6 hr accumulated QPFs/PQPFs, 4 times daily
- Bias correction using frequency match and decaying average methods

  Ref: Zhu, Y, and Y. Luo, 2015: "Precipitation Calibration Based on Frequency Matching Method (FMM)". *Weather and Forecasting*, Vol. 30, 1109-1124
- Application: To generate anomaly forecast (ANF) and Extreme Forecast Index (EFI)

Add downscaled NCEP/GEFS forecasts (input from 0.5d)

- 6hr and 24hr QPFs/PQPFs, 4 times daily
- Downscaled from 0.5 degree bias-corrected forecast
- Statistical downscaling to 2.5km for CONUS
- Use CCPA climatology to derive downscaling ratio

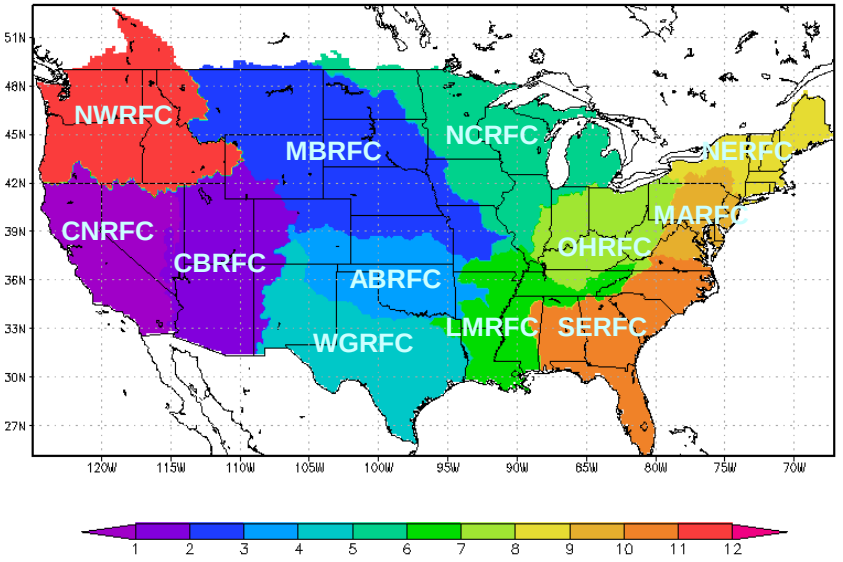
Precipitation Calibration Based on Frequency Matching Method (FMM)

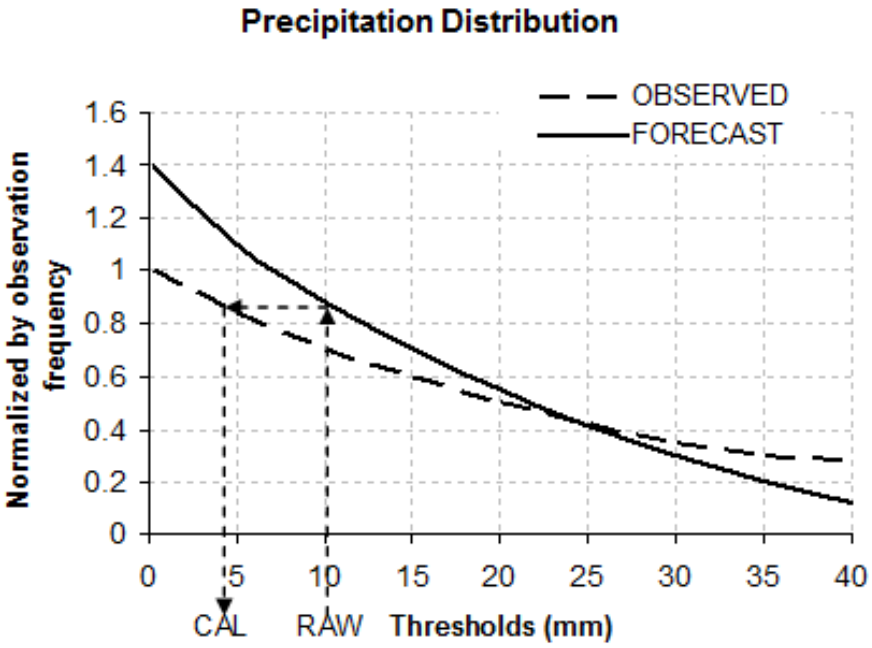
(Ref: Zhu and Luo, 2015: Weather and Forecasting)

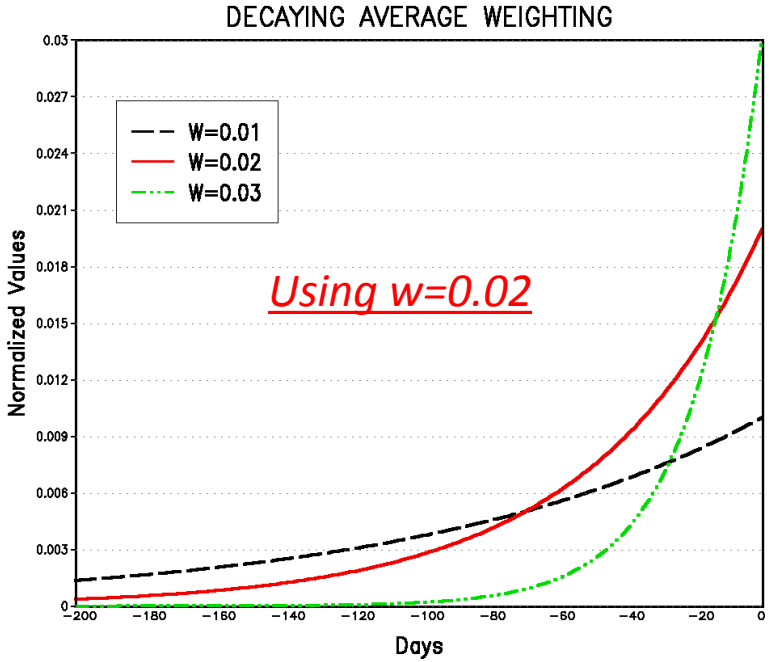
Calculate for Obs and Fcst respectively

$$\overline{CDF}_j = (1-W) * \overline{CDF}_{j-1} + W * CDF_j$$

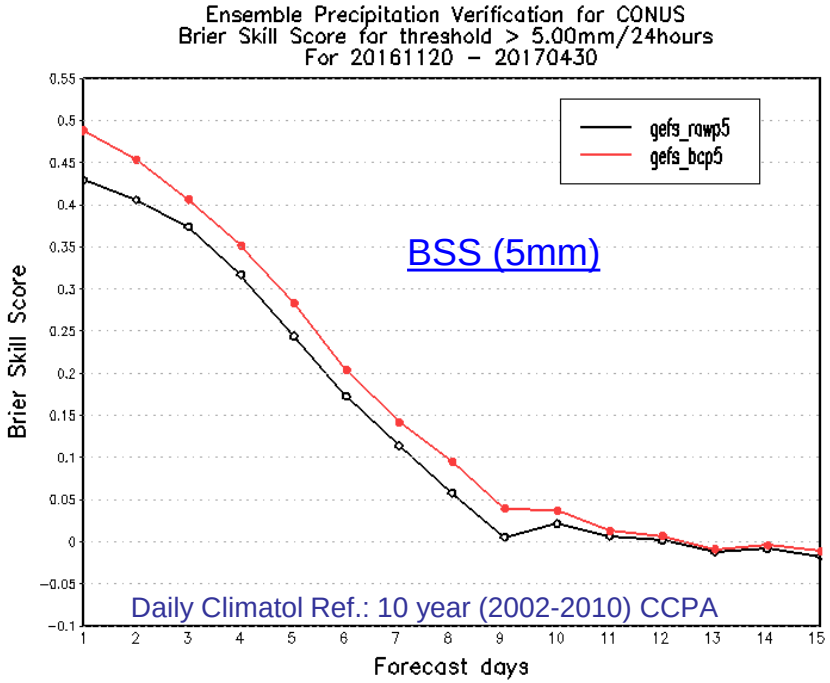
W is weight to accumulate CDF

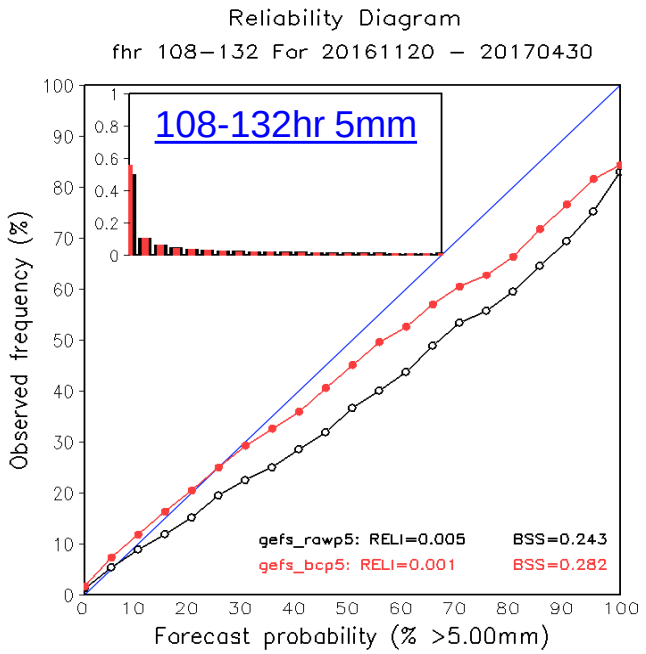


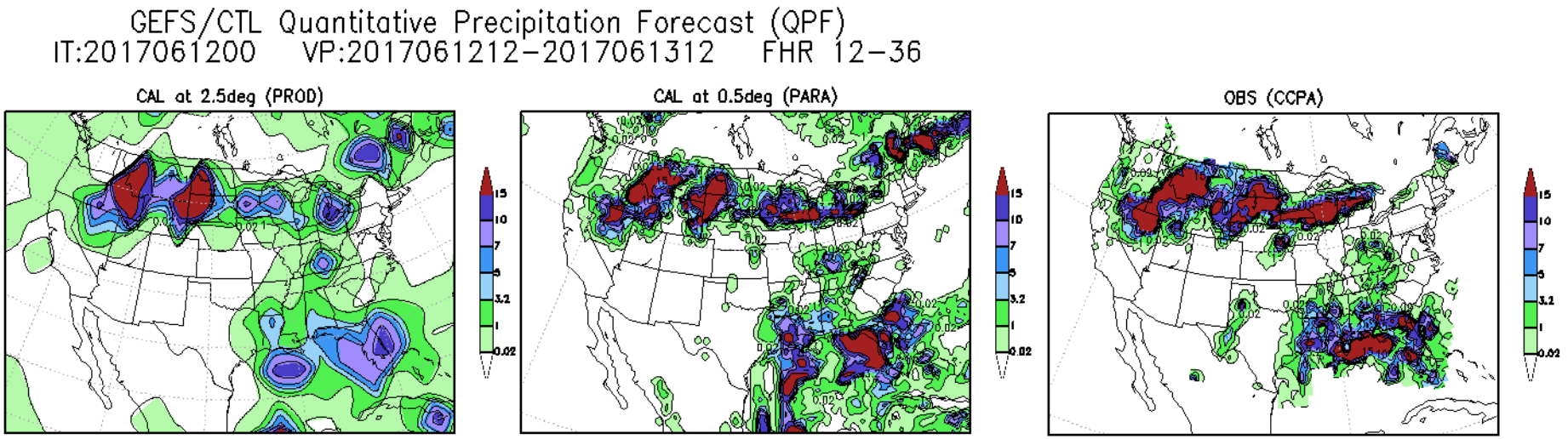




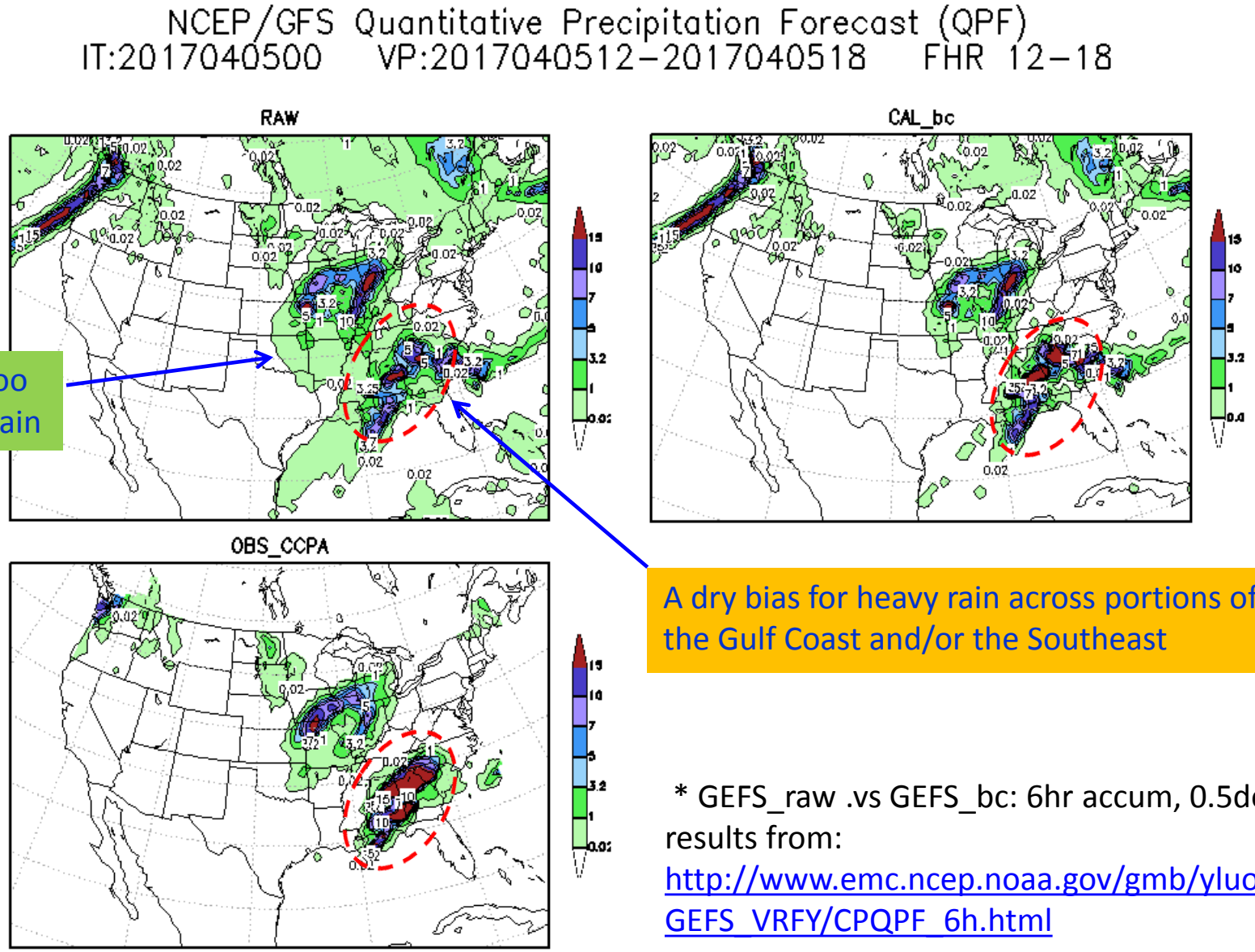
0.5deg Raw and Bias-corrected PQPF Verified against CCPA







6-hr 0.5deg Raw and Bias-corrected QPFs Verified against CCPA



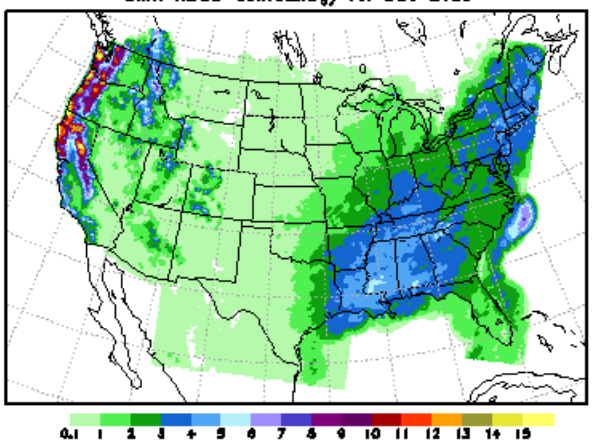
Generally, too much light rain

A dry bias for heavy rain across portions of the Gulf Coast and/or the Southeast

* GEFS_raw .vs GEFS_bc: 6hr accum, 0.5deg results from: http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/yluo/GEFS_VRFY/CPQPF_6h.html

Downscaling Methodology

QPE_H



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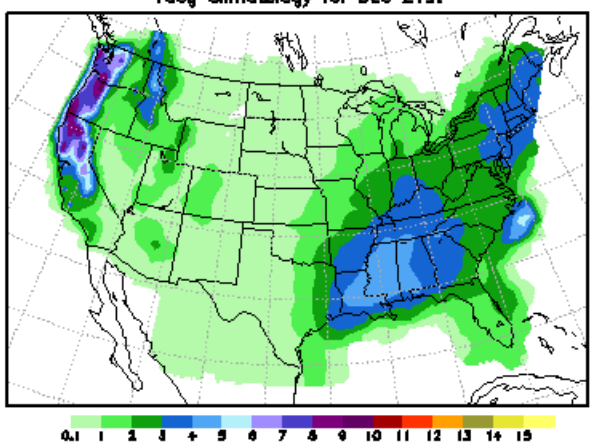

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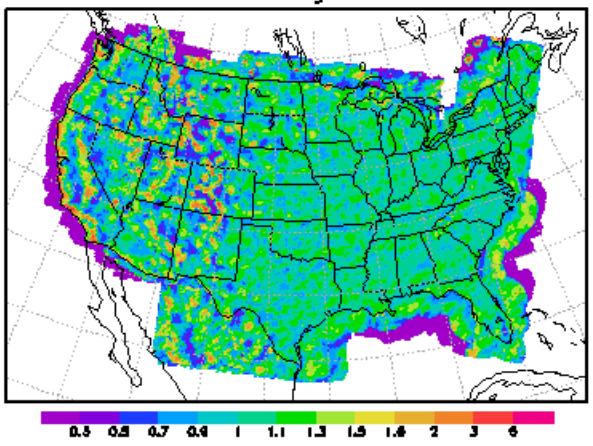

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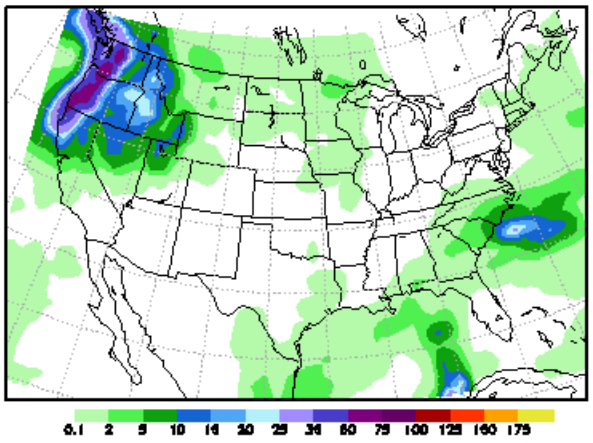

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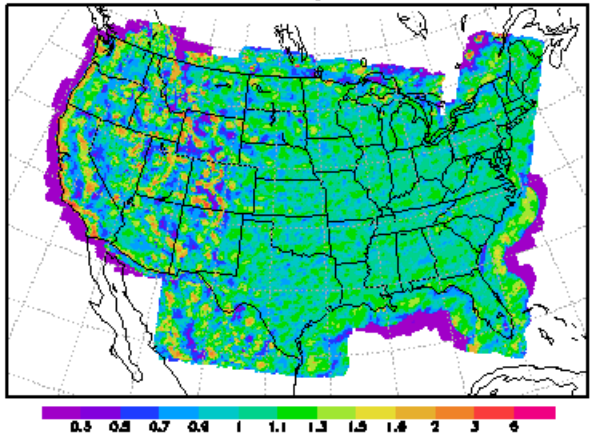

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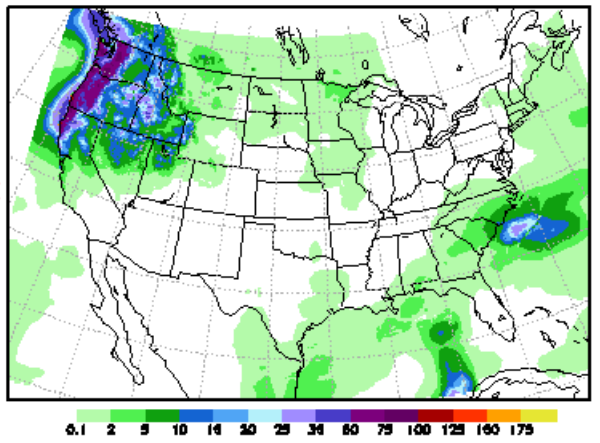
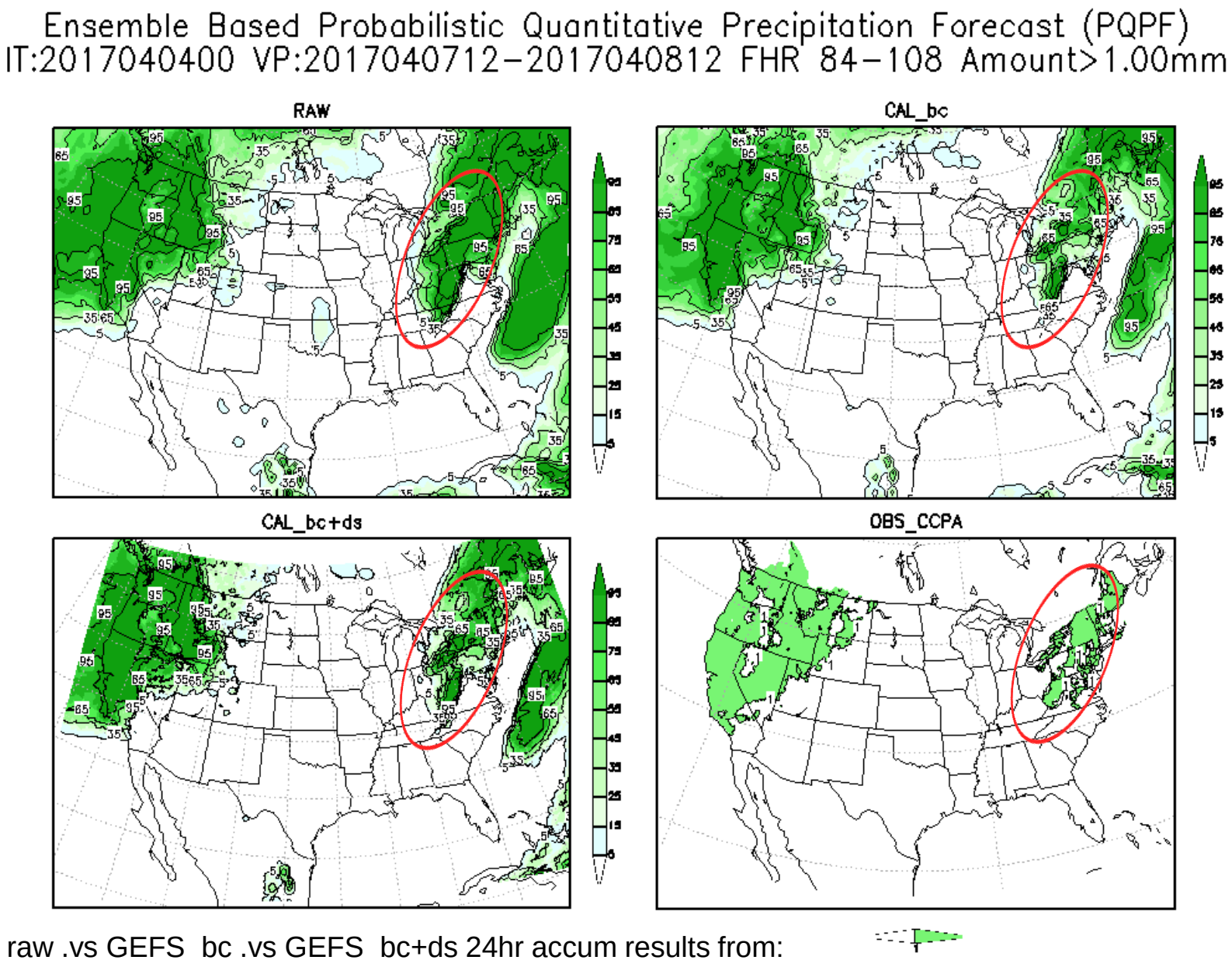


To avoid CONUS border issue (purple in r map), there is no downscaling outside of CONUS.

To avoid extreme outliers, r is bounded: $0.3 < r < 5$ (cold seasons); $0.9 < r < 5$ (warm seasons).

24-hr PQPFs Verified against CCPA

PQPF(>1.00mm)



GEFS_raw .vs GEFS_bc .vs GEFS_bc+ds 24hr accum results from:

http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/yluo/GEFS_VRFY/CPQPF_24h.html

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NCEP/GEFS 0.5 degree Calibrated (Bias Corrected) QPF/PQPF

This page displays the forecast comparison of QPF and Calibrated QPF from GEFS against CCPA, and ensemble based PQPF and Calibrated PQPF for every 6 hours up to 240 hours on IBM-SP computer.

	6h-QPF		6h-PQPF				
Date	GFS high-reso	GEFS/CTL	0.254 mm/6h	1.000 mm/6h	2.540 mm/6h	6.350 mm/6h	12.70 mm/6h
20170620	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170619	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170618	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170617	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170616	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170615	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170614	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
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20170612	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170611	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z
20170610	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z	T00Z

Start

EMC real-time parallel experiments

Started from April 1st

Running four times per day

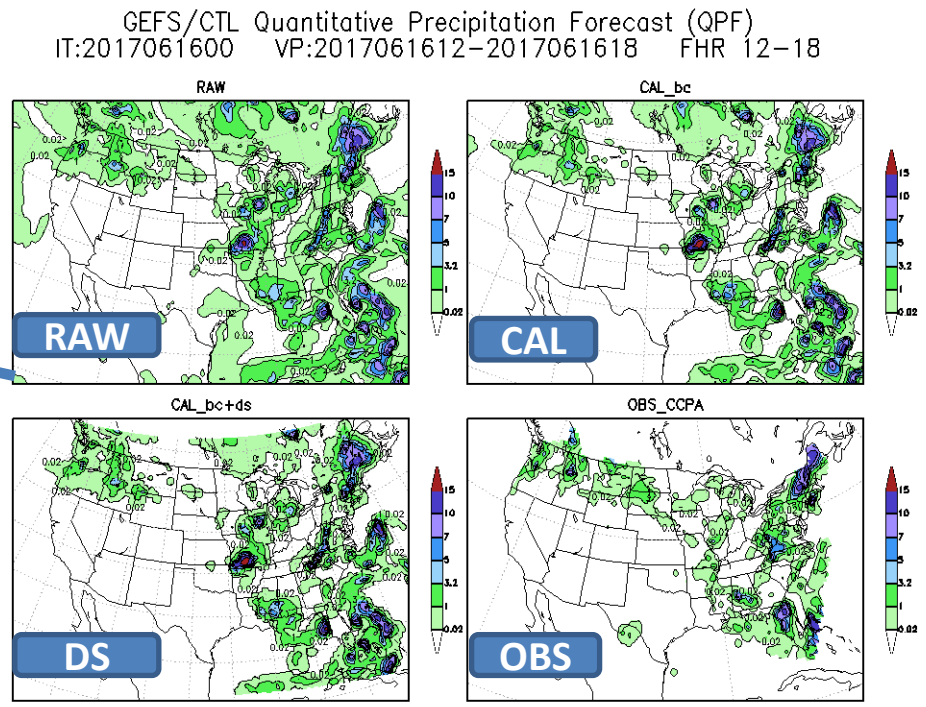
(Demonstrated only by 00Z cycle)

6hr products

http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/yluo/GEFS_VRFY/CPQPF_6h.html

24hr products

http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/yluo/GEFS_VRFY/CPQPF_24h.html



Part II: Anomaly Forecast Products

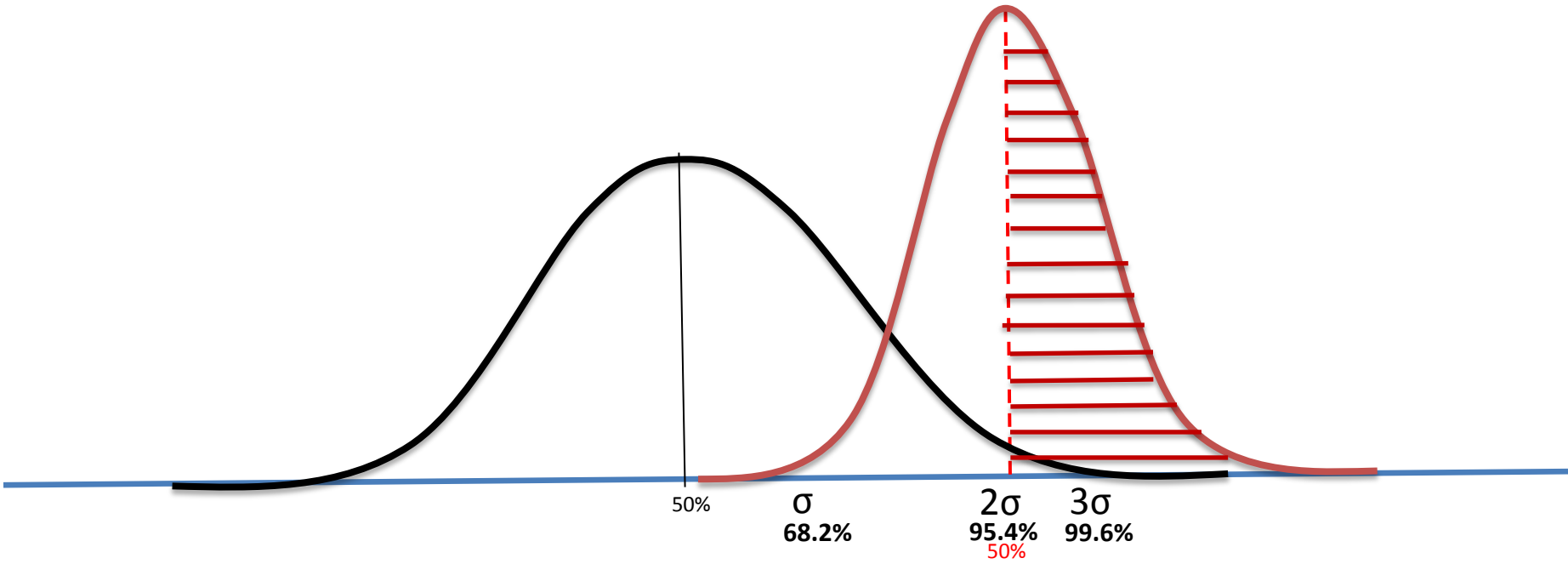
Extreme Weather Forecast Products

- Current status
  - Anomaly Forecast (ANF)
    - NCEP operation since 2006 (19 variables)
    - 1.0 degree resolution
    - No precipitation
    - NWS/WR experiment: http://ssd.wrh.noaa.gov/satable/
  - No Extreme Forecast Index (EFI) product
    - ECMWF and CMC have applied in their operation
    - But, user request through "Ensemble Users Workshop"

- NAEFSv6 upgrade
  - For all bias corrected forecast
  - ANF for 0.5d, include precipitation
  - EFI for 0.5d, T2m, 10mw, Prcip, MSLP

- Reference:
  - Guan, H. and Y. Zhu, 2017: "*Development of verification methodology for extreme weather forecasts*" Weather and Forecasting, Vol. 32, 470-491

Anomaly Forecast (ANF)



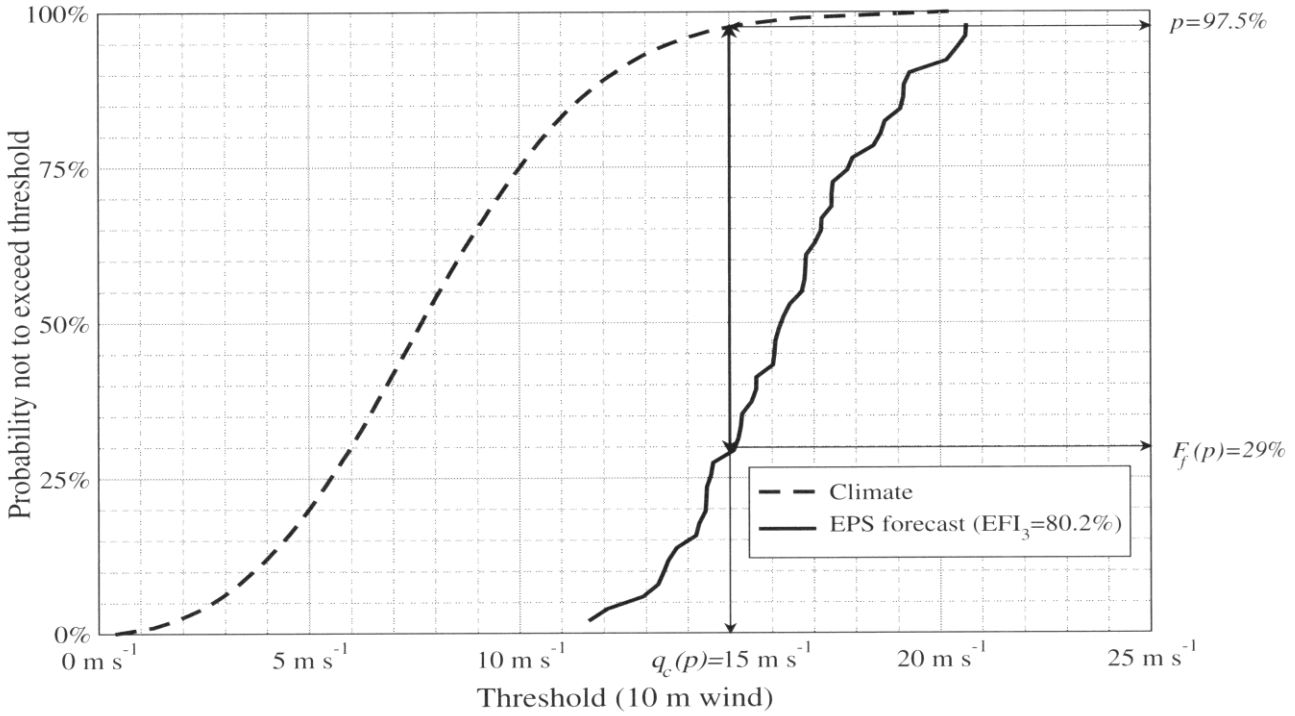
Schematics diagram for anomaly forecast (PDF)

Definitions for Anomaly Forecast

Percentage of ensemble forecast (shaded area) which exceeds climate threshold (for example: 2σ) (NCEP/ NAFES product)

Extreme Forecast Index (EFI)

(Lalaurette, 2003)



The EFI is a measure of the difference between the model climatological forecast distribution and the current ensemble forecast distribution.

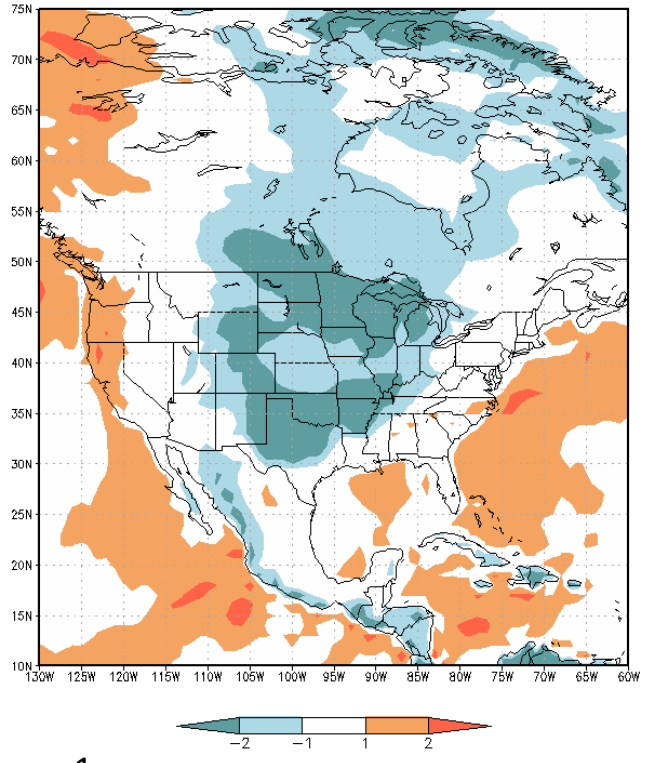
CDF: cumulative distribution function

Modified Equation
(Zsooter 2006)

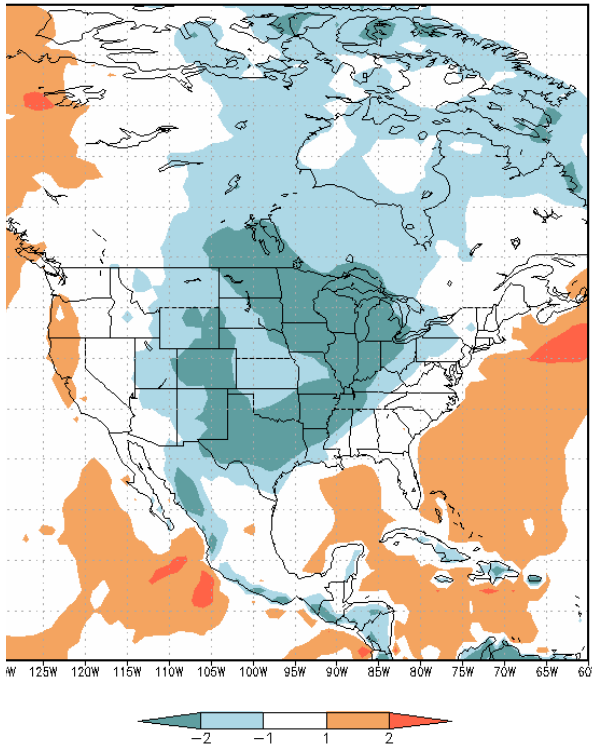
$$EFI = \frac{2}{\pi}\int_0^1 \frac{p - F_f(p)}{\sqrt{p(1-p)}}\,dp$$

Example of extreme cold weather event (Valid: 2015030500)

Observed anomaly (analysis)



Anomaly Forecast (ANF)



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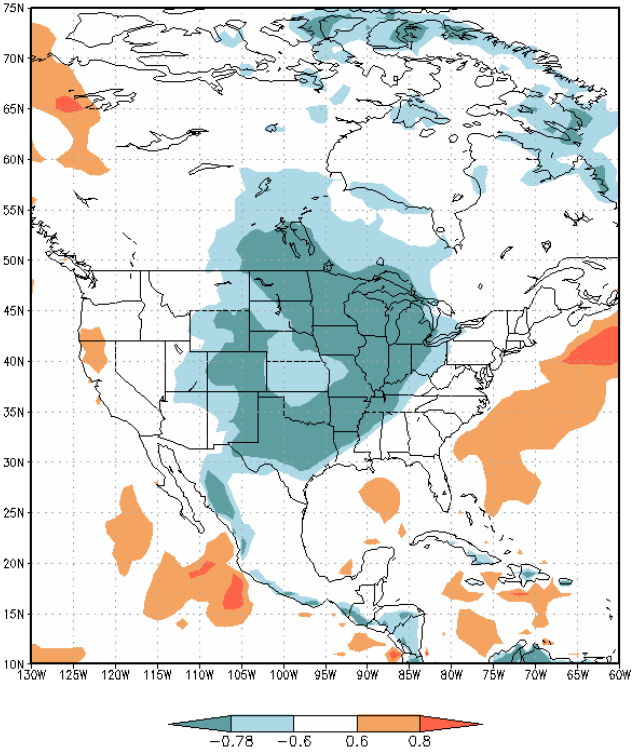
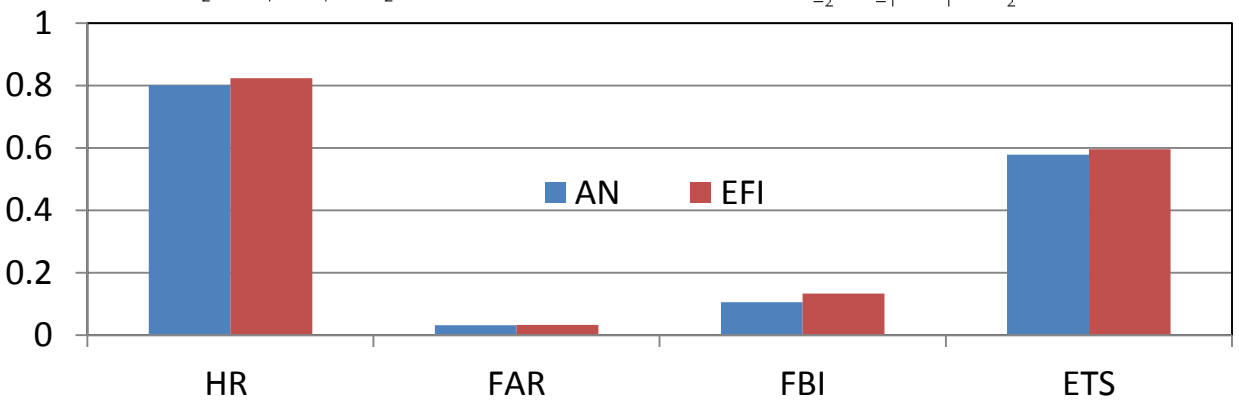
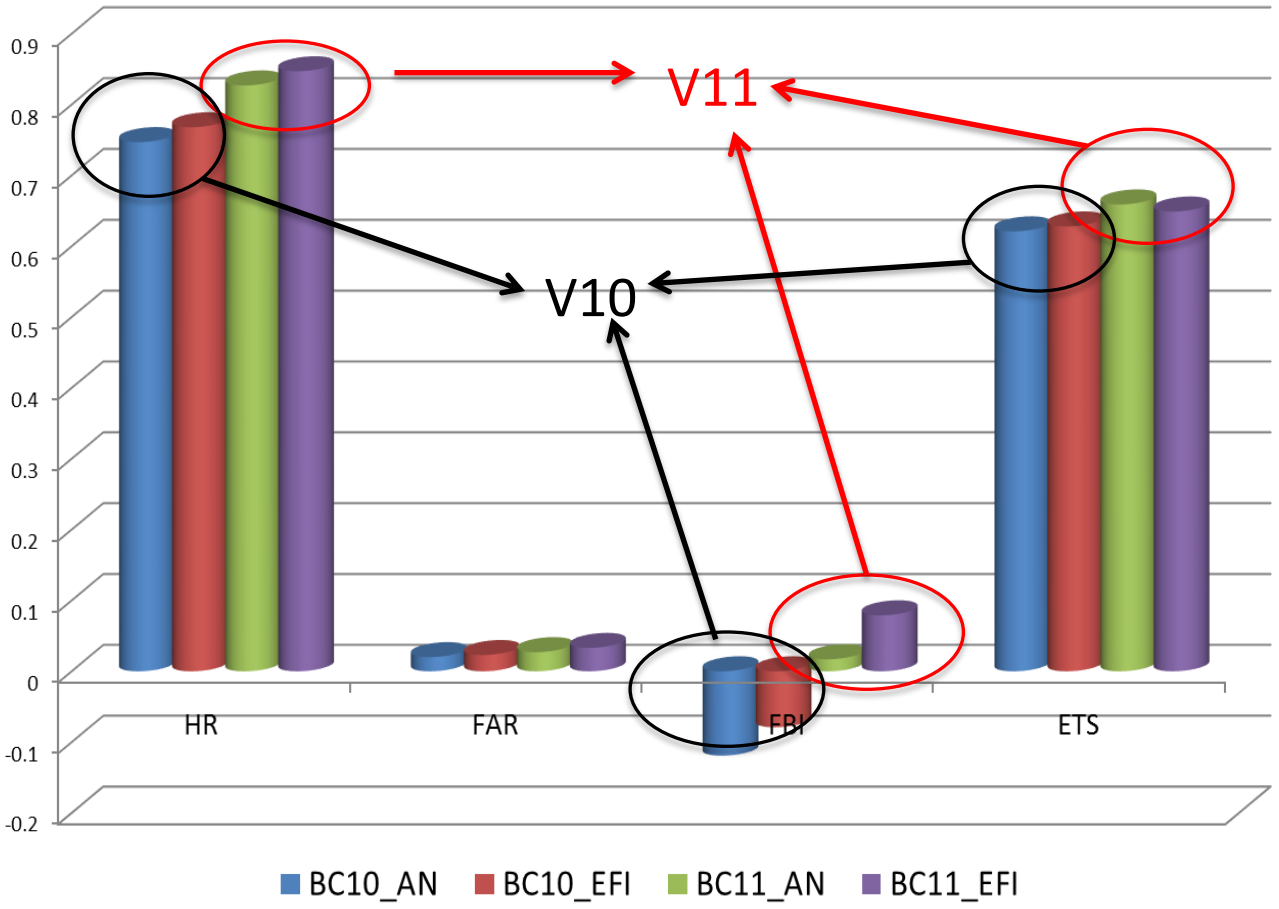




Example of bias corrected T2m against observed climatology

Ref: Guan, H. and Y. Zhu, 2017

Statistics for extreme cold weather event (11 cases) for 13-14 winter (V10 and V11 bias-corrected forecast)



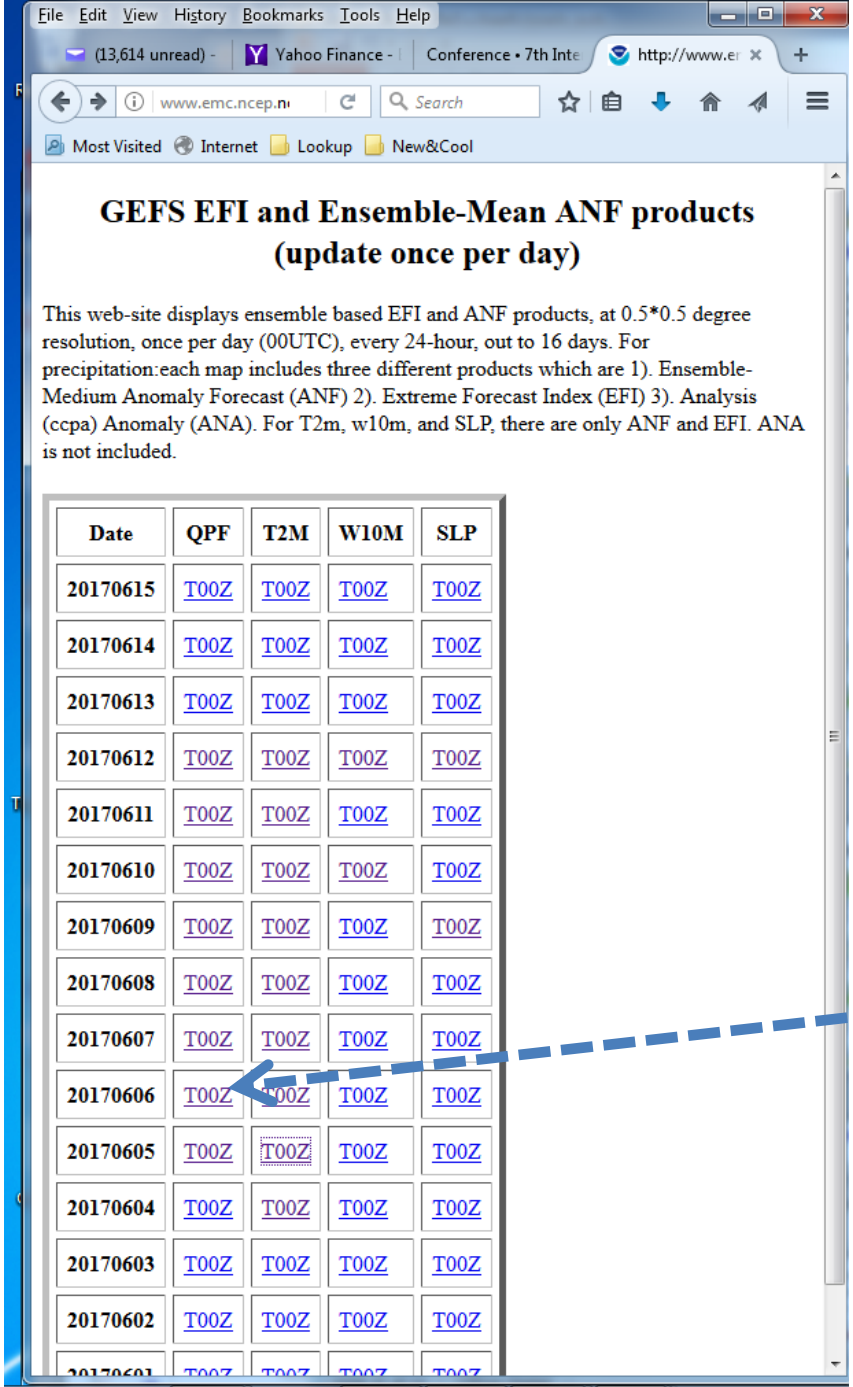
Ref: Guan, H. and Y. Zhu, 2017

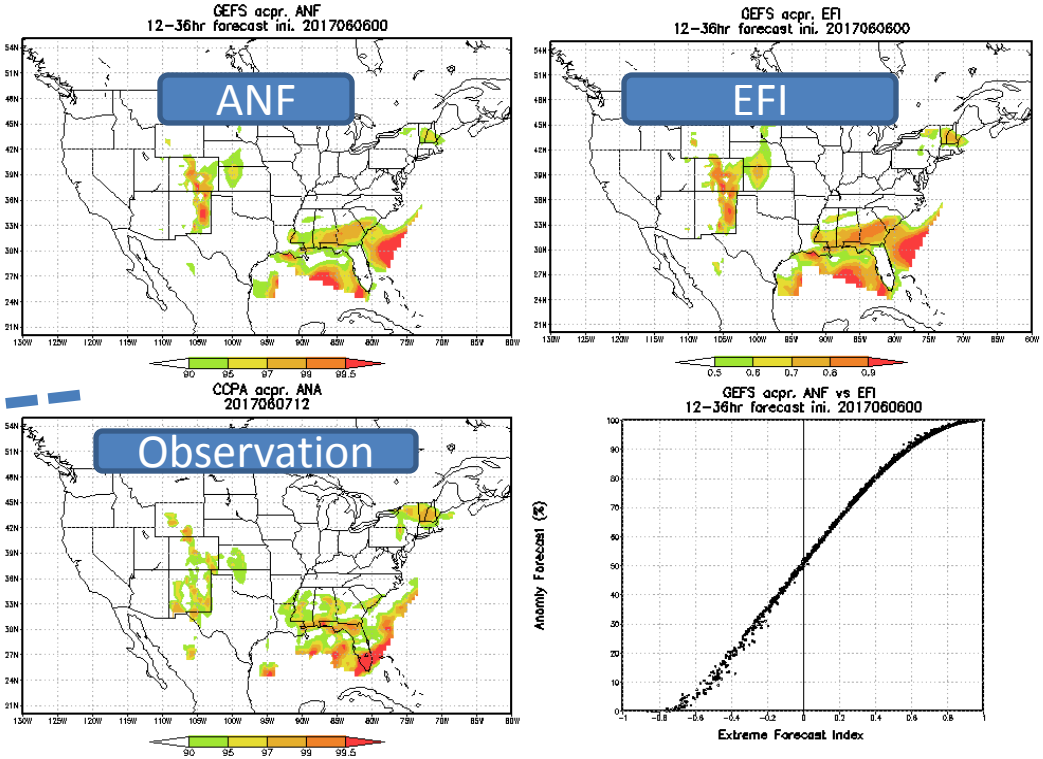
EMC real-time parallel experiments

http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/wd20hg/html/EFIANF.html

Running once per day

4 variables:
Surface pressure
Precipitation
Surface temperature
Surface wind speed





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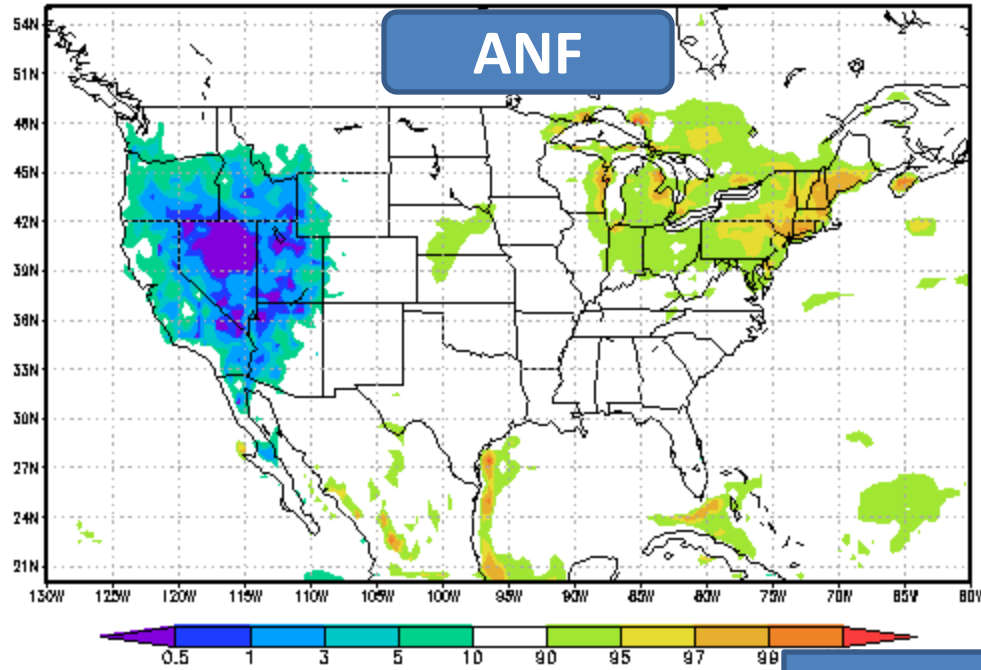

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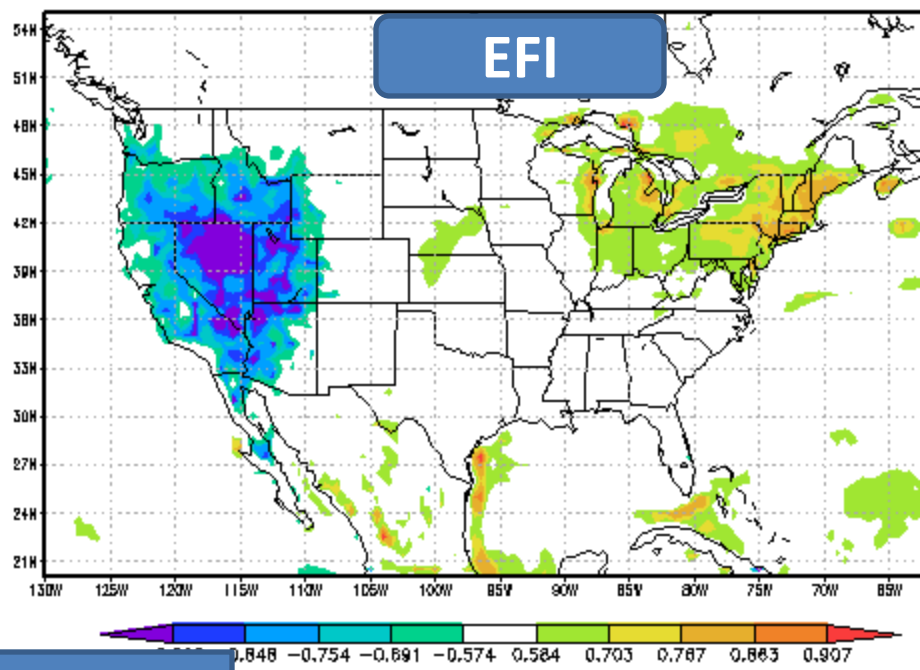
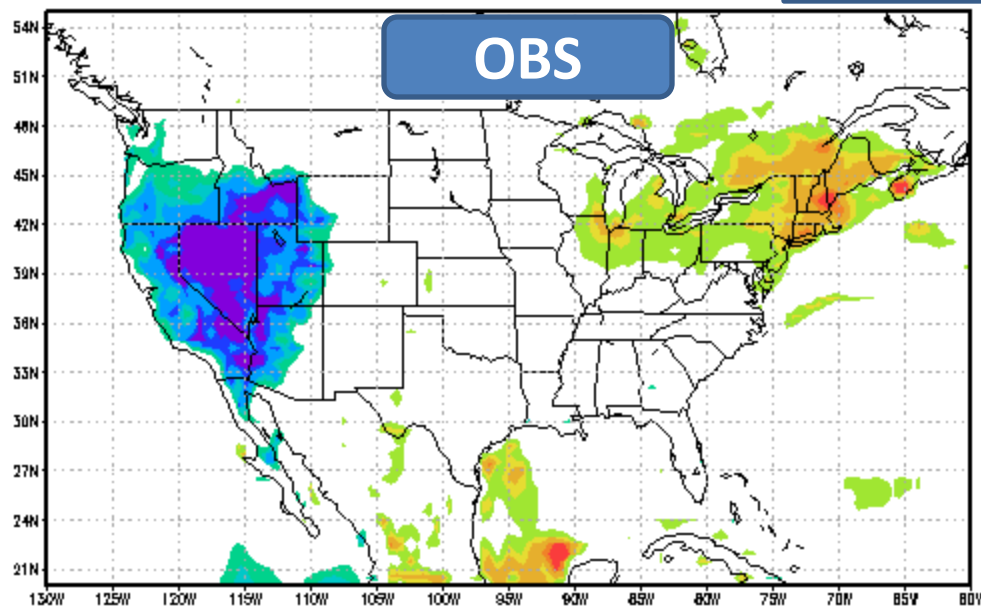
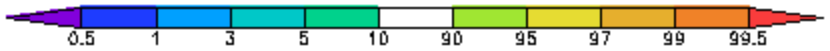


GEFS t2m Anomaly Analysis
2017060900

96 hours

OBS





GEFS t2m ANF vs EFI
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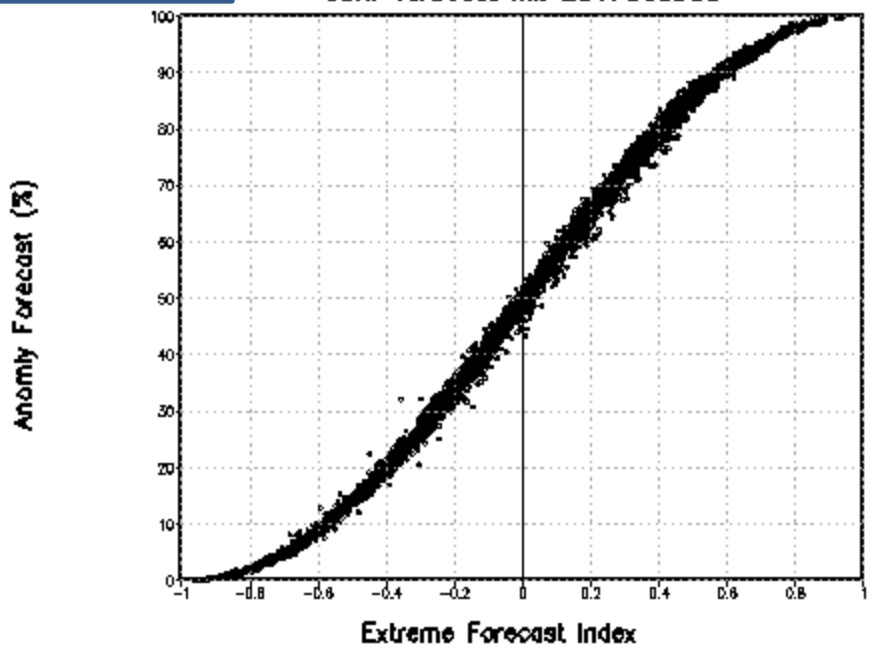

Issues, downstream and evaluation

- SCN (TIN) is ready to NCO dataflow team.
- Impact of downstream:
  - Wave ensemble? (no impact - confirmed)
  - NBM – contact to Jeff Craven (MDL)
  - CPC – contact to Jon Gottschalck, Matt Rosencrans
- Evaluations:
  - WPC – contact to Mike Bodner's team
  - CPC – Jon Gottschalck sends us comments for upgrade.
  - NWS/ER – contact Richard Grumm (SOO)
  - EKDMOS – contact to John Wagner (MDL)
  - 1st energy

Users feedback

- WPC day 8-10 experiment (Mike Bodner et al)
  - Meeting/discussion-every other Thursday
  - August 24 (example)
    - Temperature blending: **GEFS_bc(45%)**; EC_ens(45%); GEFSv10(10%)
    - Precipitation blending: **GEFS_bc(45%)**; EC_ens(40); GFS(15)
  - **Implementation – Yes**
- CPC (Jon Gottschalck et al.)
  - CPC **supports the upgrade** as the only change is with respect to the resolution and format of the data which we have confirmed we can properly adjust to when and where required and will re-affirm during the NCO data flow review period with this upgrade.
- NWS/ER (Richard Grumm)
  - Quote for "ANL" and "EFI": "General concise and useful conclusions. We need more **operationally available data and products of this type in real-time**."
- MDL EKDMOS (John Wagner)
  - Testing 0.5d GEFS and 0.5d NAEFS
  - No significant difference from current operational 1.0 data
  - **Implementation - Yes**

Response from public (private sector) users

Yuejian,

Thanks for the updated slides. I apologize for not getting this back to you sooner. I did go through this upon your original email, but was sidetracked before I had a chance to respond.

FirstEnergy looks forward to seeing the changes in the upgrade. The bias correction of precipitation looks very promising, and we have seen value in the frequency matching method elsewhere. The downscaling of the precipitation will also looks promising.

We look forward to seeing the bias correction of 10m winds as well. We have historically not used this parameter from the NAEFS, but will make a point to look at it once it is available.

The EFI will be very valuable and we look forward to use it.

Thank you for including FirstEnergy in the evaluation! Please let us know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Brian Kolts (and Thomas Workoff) Staff Scientist (July 6 2017)
FirstEnergy 330 436 1404

NAEFS (NUOPC) Version 6.0
Status as of 9/7/17

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Project Information & Highlights

Leads: Yuejian Zhu/ Bo Cui (EMC), Steven Earle (NCO)

Scope: Introduce higher resolution raw (CMC) and bias corrected (NCEP and CMC) global ensemble forecast. Improve methodology (hybrid of decaying and reforecast) for bias correction. Introduce extreme forecast products.

Expected benefits: Higher quality NAEFS products

Dependencies: Data exchange with CMC (and FNMOC)

G **Schedule**

Milestones & Deliverables	Date	Status
Freeze system code; deliver to NCO if applicable	4/10/17	Completed
Complete full retrospective/real time runs and evaluation	9/06/17	On track
Conduct CCB and deliver final system code to NCO	9/07/17	On track
Issue Technical Information Notice	9/15/17	On track
Complete 30-day evaluation and IT testing	11/30/17	On track
Operational Implementation	12/05/17	On track

G **Issues/Risks**

Issues: Users evaluation for combined (NCEP + CMC) products;
Mitigation: delay implementation

EMC | NCO | Red text indicates change from previous quarter

G **Resources**

Staff: 0.5 Fed FTEs (Yuejian Zhu 0.3; Dingchen Hou 0.2) + 2.0 contractor FTEs (Bo Cui 0.8; Richard Wobus 0.5; Yan Luo 0.2; Hong Guan 0.2; Jiayi Peng 0.2; Wei Li 0.1) including dev of NAEFS and NUOPC.

Funding Source: STI

Compute: parallels: 50 nodes for 2 months (Delta: 40 nodes); **EMC Dev**: 50 nodes for 1-year (Delta: 40 nodes); **Ops**: 60 nodes (Delta: 30 nodes - higher water mark)

Archive: 10TB (no changes); **Ops**: 12 GB per cycle (no major changes)

R **Management Attention Required** | Y **ential Management Attention Needed** | G **On Target**

Resource of changes

- Current:
  - Length of process – last 2+ hours
  - How many nodes? - 30 nodes (peak)
  - Start time / end time – +6:00 - +8:00
  - Disk storage per cycle (28GB per cycle)
    - 17GB (pgrb2ap5)
    - 6.4GB (pgrb2a)
    - 10GB (pgrb2a_bc for GEFS and CMC)
    - 4GB (pgrb2a_an for GEFS and CMC)
- Future:
  - Length of process – last 2+ hours
  - How many nodes? – 60 nodes (peak)
  - Start time / end time – +6:00 - +8:00 (? Need more tests on CRAY)
  - Disk storage per cycle (99GB more per cycle)
    - 6.4GB (pgrb2a), 10GB (pgrb2a_bc), 4GB (pgrb2a_an)
    - 28GB (pgrb2ap5, redistributed variables)
    - 44GB (pgrb2ap5_bc, new for GEFS and CMC)
    - 24GB (pgrb2ap5_an, new for GEFS and CMC)
    - 2GB (pecp_gb2, ndgd_prcp_gb2, new for precipitation)

Output Size Comparison NAEFS prod vs. NAEFS v6

- NAEFS Prod
  - NCEP/GEFS
    - 1.0d bias corrected forecasts (6 hourly, pgrb2a_bc, 4.8GB)
    - 1.0d anomaly forecast (pgrb2a_an, 2GB)
  - CMC
    - 1.0d raw GEFS forecast (pgrb2a, 4.2GB)
    - 1.0d bias corrected forecast (/dcom, 3GB)
  - NAEFS
    - 1.0d probabilistic forecasts (pgrb2a_bc, 944MB)
    - 1.0d anomaly forecast (pgrb2a_an, 69M)
- NAEFS v6
  - NCEP/GEFS
    - 0.5d bias corrected forecasts (3 hourly for day 8, new pgrb2ap5_bc, 22GB)
    - 0.5d anomaly forecast (new pgrb2ap5_an, 10GB)
    - 0.5d bias corrected prcp (prcp_gb2, 1GB)
    - 2.5km bias corrected and downscaled prcp for CONUS (new ndgd_prcp_gb2, 1GB)
  - CMC
    - 0.5d raw GEFS forecast (new pgrb2ap5, 28GB)
    - 0.5d bias corrected forecast (/dcom, 21GB)
  - NAEFS
    - 0.5d probabilistic forecasts (new pgrb2ap5_bc, 4GB)
    - 0.5d anomaly forecast (new pgrb2ap5_an, 1GB)