



OSSEs in the JCSDA

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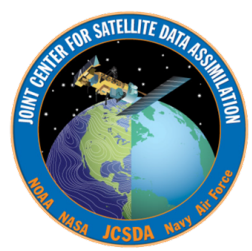
Observing System Simulation Experiments in the Joint Center for Satellite Data Assimilation, *18th Conference on Satellite Meteorology, Oceanography and Climatology/ First Joint AMS-Asia Satellite Meteorology Conference*, Lars Peter Riishojgaard et al.

Impact of Different Wind Lidar Configurations on NCEP Forecast Skill. *16th Symposium on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface (IOAS-AOLS)*, Zaizhong Ma et al.

Posters

Internationally Collaborative Joint OSSEs - Progress At NOAA, T. N. Krishnamulti Symposium, Michiko Masutani (EMC) et al.

Joint OSSEs at NOAA, Evaluation of DWL, JPSS, and DWSS, *Eighth Annual Symposium on Future Operational Environmental Satellite Systems*, Michiko Masutani et al



Observing System Simulation Experiments in the Joint Center for Satellite Data Assimilation

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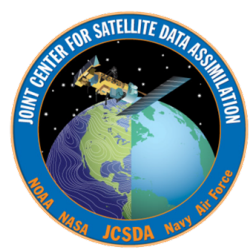
Role of a National OSSE Capability

- Impact assessment for future missions
 - Future operational observing systems (NOAA)
 - Decadal Survey and other science and/or technology demonstration missions (NASA)
 - Other agencies (e.g. DoD/DWSS)
- Objective way of establishing scientifically sound and technically realistic user requirements
- Tool for assessing performance impact of engineering decisions made throughout the development phases of a space program or system
- Preparation/early learning pre-launch tool for assimilation users of data from new sensors



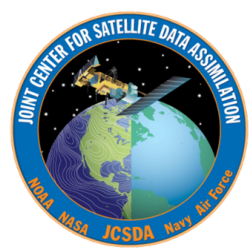
Joint OSSE history

- NASA/NOAA collaboration started in 2007, involving NASA/GSFC, NOAA/NESDIS, NOAA/NWS, NOAA/OAR
- Centered around common use of Nature Run provided free of charge by ECMWF
- Coordinated through JCSDA
 - Informal, loosely structured nature, lack of common funding stream has presented challenges
- Successful joint validation of ECMWF Nature Run
- Some collaboration on simulation and calibration of observations
- ADM experiments (GMAO)
- GWOS experiments (JCSDA)
- UAS experiments (OAR)



Wind Lidar OSSEs

- Impact experiments for GWOS mission concept
 - NASA Tier-3 Decadal Survey mission concept
 - Four telescopes, full vector winds on either side of spacecraft
 - Two technologies, direct and coherent detection
- Experiments funded under Wind Lidar Science element of NASA's ROSES 2007
- GWOS observations simulated by Simpson Weather Associates using DLSSM



Which upper air observations do we need?

- Numerical weather prediction requires independent and global observations of the **mass** (temperature) and **wind** fields
- The global three-dimensional mass field is well observed from space
- No existing space-based observing system provides vertically resolved wind information => horizontal coverage of wind profiles is sparse



Temperature profiles (AMSU; 6 hours)

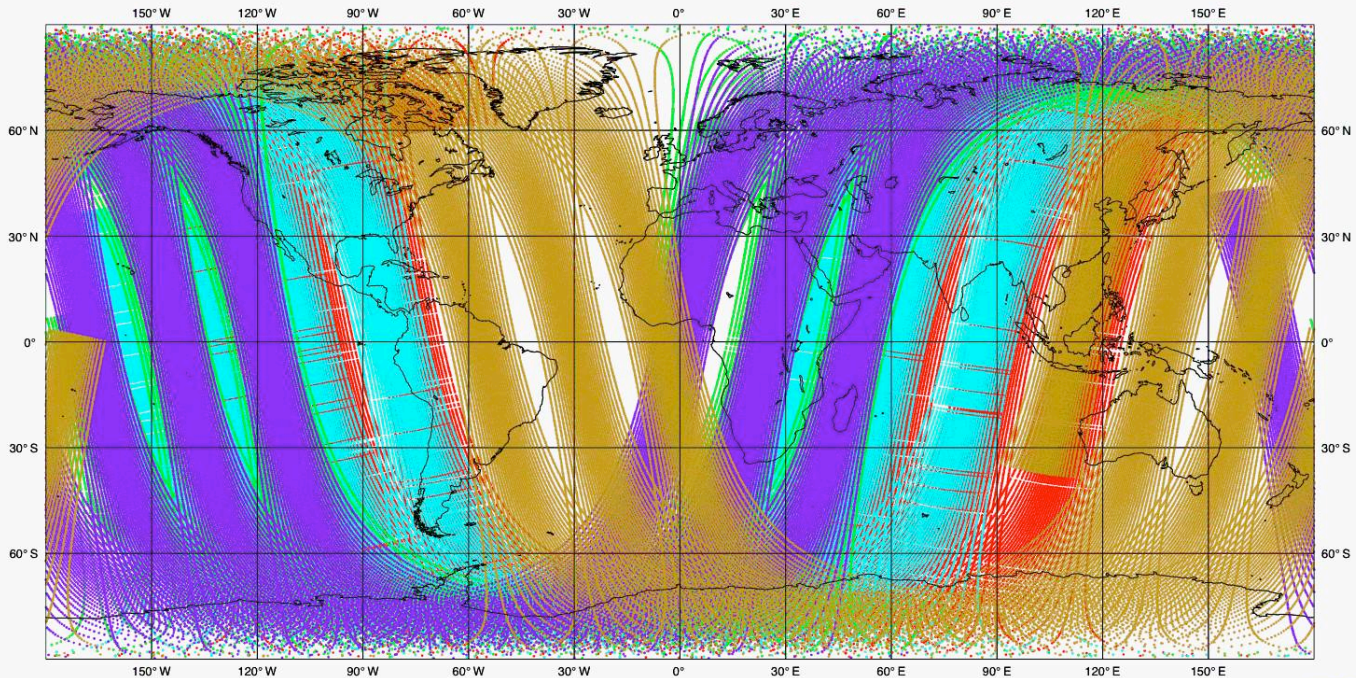
Obs Type

- 72796 N15-AMSUA
- 81510 N16-AMSUA
- 0 N17-AMSUA
- 89940 N18-AMSUA
- 75147 AQUA-AMSU
- 70950 METOP AMSU

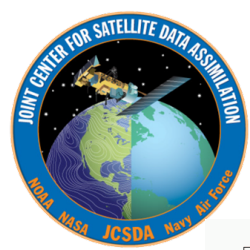
ECMWF Data Coverage (All obs DA) - ATOVS

27/JUN/2007; 00 UTC

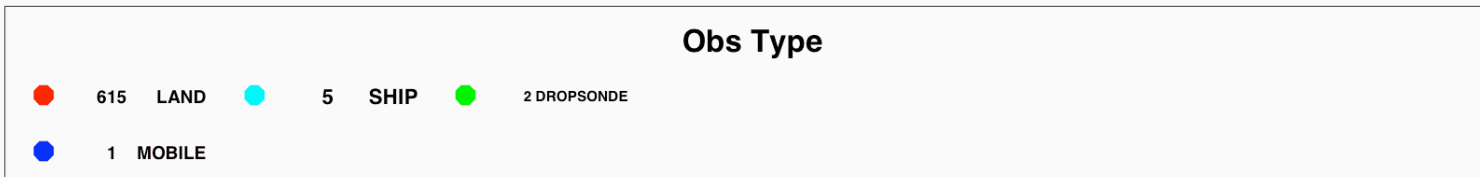
Total number of obs = 390343



ECMWF



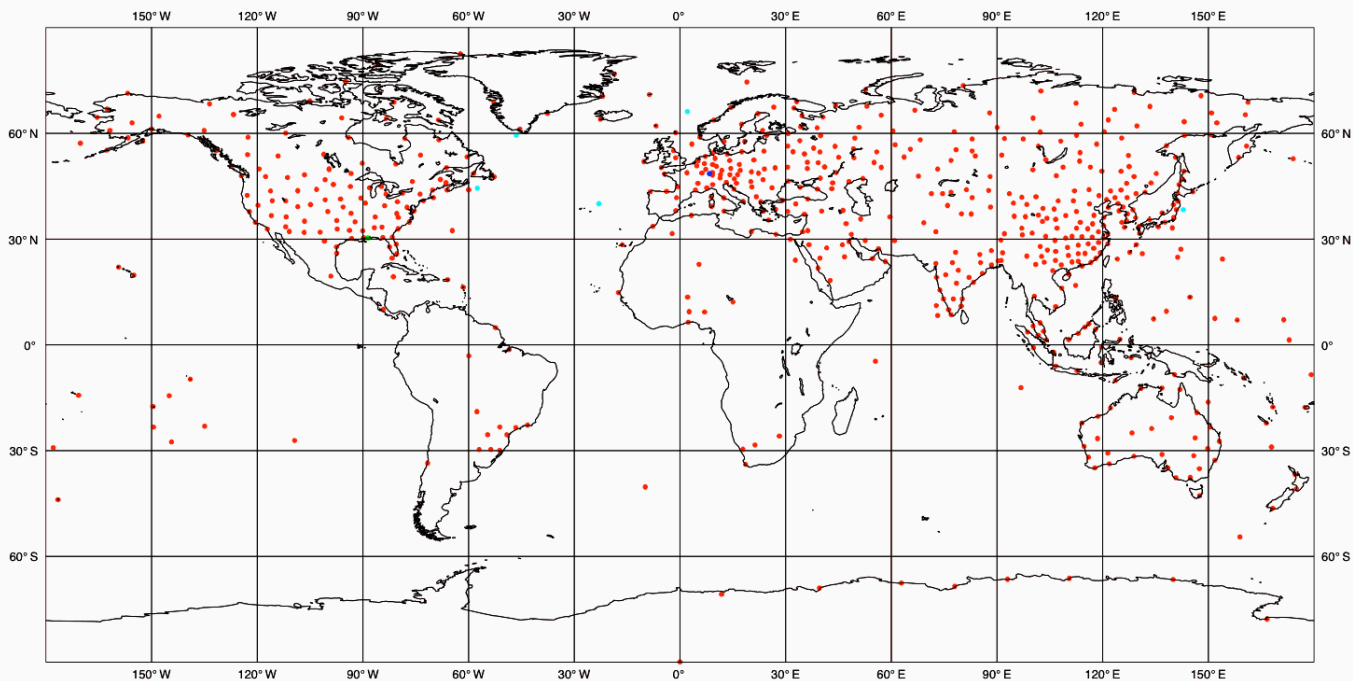
Observed wind profiles (RAOBs, 6 h)



ECMWF Data Coverage (All obs DA) - TEMP

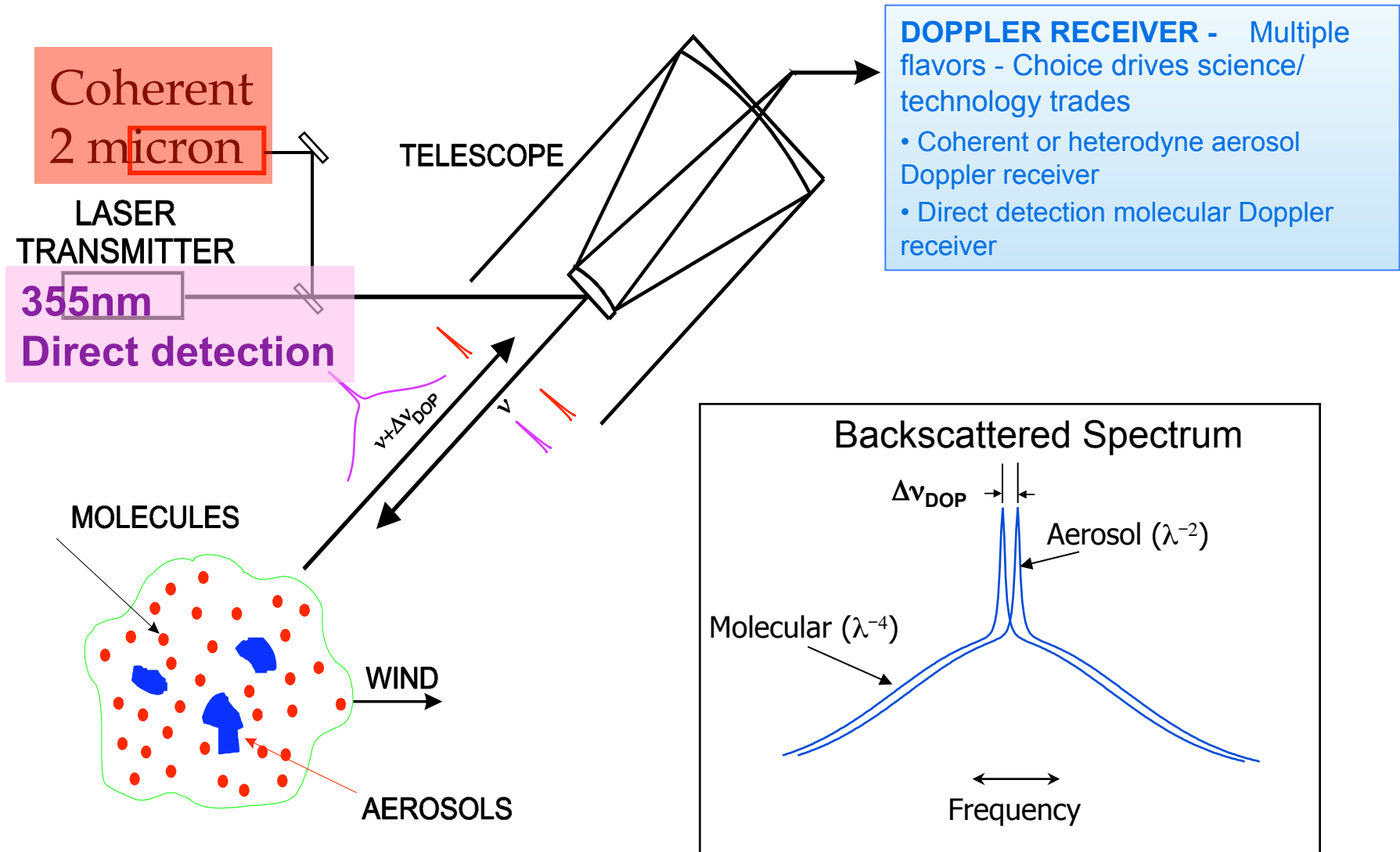
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Total number of obs = 623



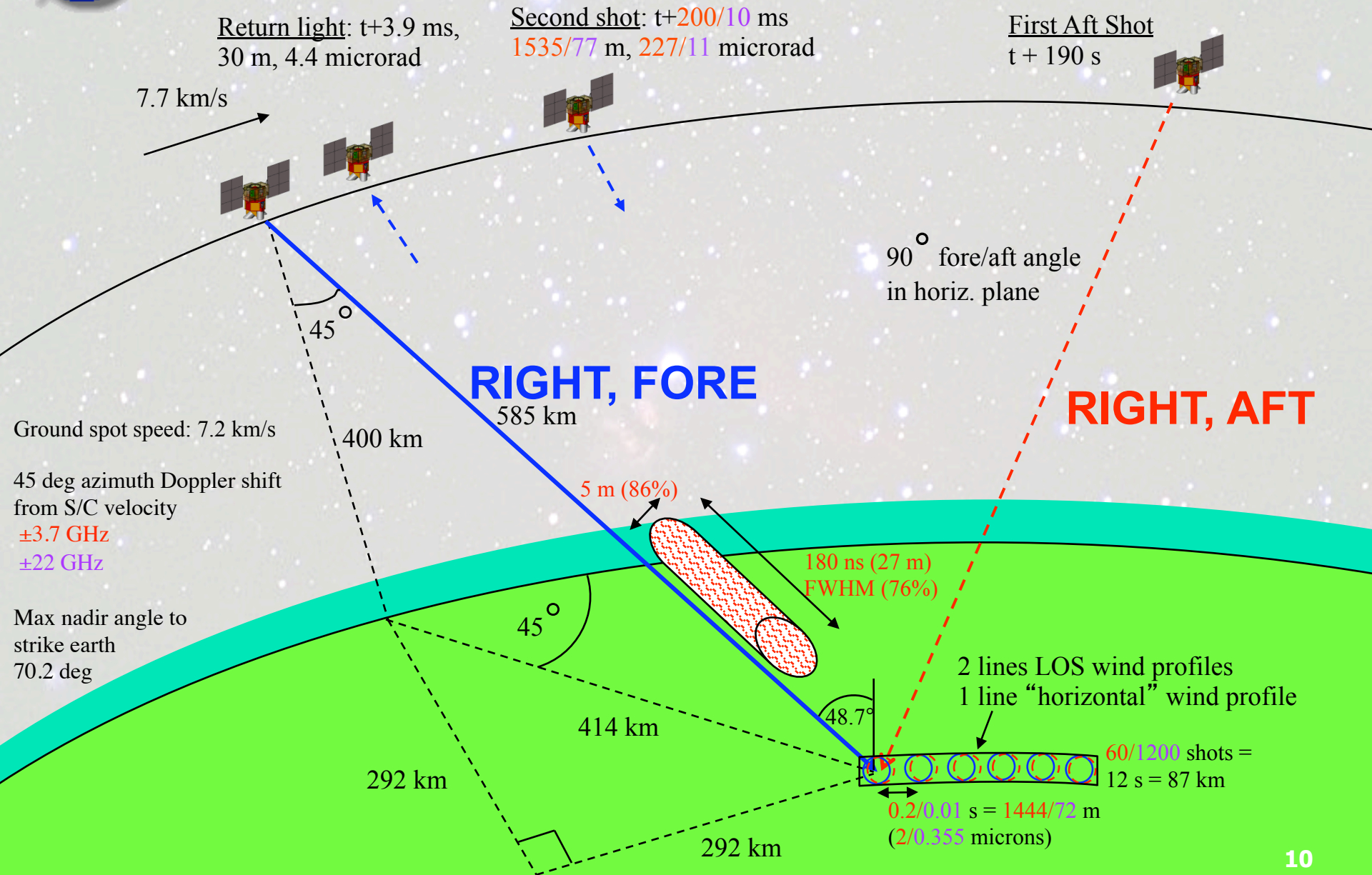
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Doppler Lidar Measurement Concept

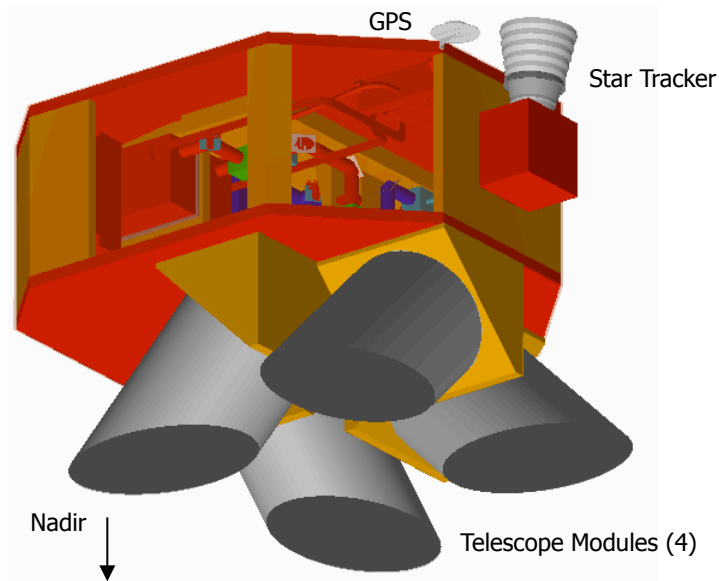




Hybrid Doppler Wind Lidar Measurement Geometry: 400 km



GWOS ISAL Instrument Quad Chart



Features of the Instrument Concept

- Utilizes Doppler lidar detection method
 - Coherent (aerosol) detection @ 2 μm
 - Direct (molecular) detection @ 355 nm
- Direct channel laser based on GLAS;
- Direct channel receiver based on TWiLiTE IIP
- Coherent channel laser and receiver based on DAWN IIP
- Telescopes are shared among all lasers
- Pointing and knowledge requirements met with co-located star tracker and GPS

Payload Data

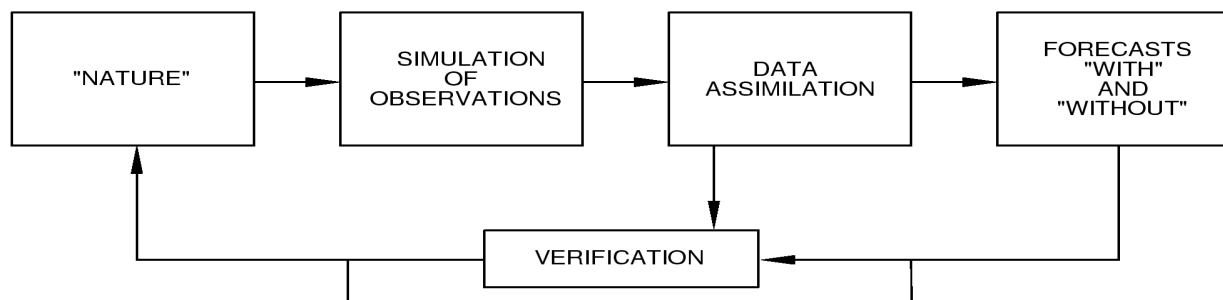
Dimensions	1.5m x 2m x 1.8m
Mass	567 Kg
Power	1,500 W
Data Rate	4 Mbps

Technology Development Needs

- **Direct detection system requires 6 billion shots for mission lifetime (2 years)**
 - Direct channel baseline is 3 lasers + 1 backup
 - Demonstration of reliable performance at higher or lower lifetimes will determine number of lasers for direct detection channel, impacting mission cost
- **Coherent detection system requires demonstration of the 316M shot lifetime in a fully conductively cooled laser**
- **Both Lidar technologies require aircraft validation flights**



Observing System Simulation Experiments



- ◆ Data assimilation system(s)
 - ◆ NCEP/EMC Global Forecast System (T-382) coupled with GSI
- ◆ Nature run
 - ◆ ECMWF T-511, commissioned for Joint OSSE
 - ◆ 13 month period (May 2005-June 2006)
 - ◆ Validated extensively through Joint OSSE collaboration
- ◆ Simulated observations
 - ◆ Reference observations, including satellite radiance data (all observation)
 - ◆ Perturbation (“candidate”) observations
 - ◆ GWOS observations simulated by Simpson Weather Associates
- ◆ Diagnostics capability
 - ◆ NCEP operational verification system



Experimental setup

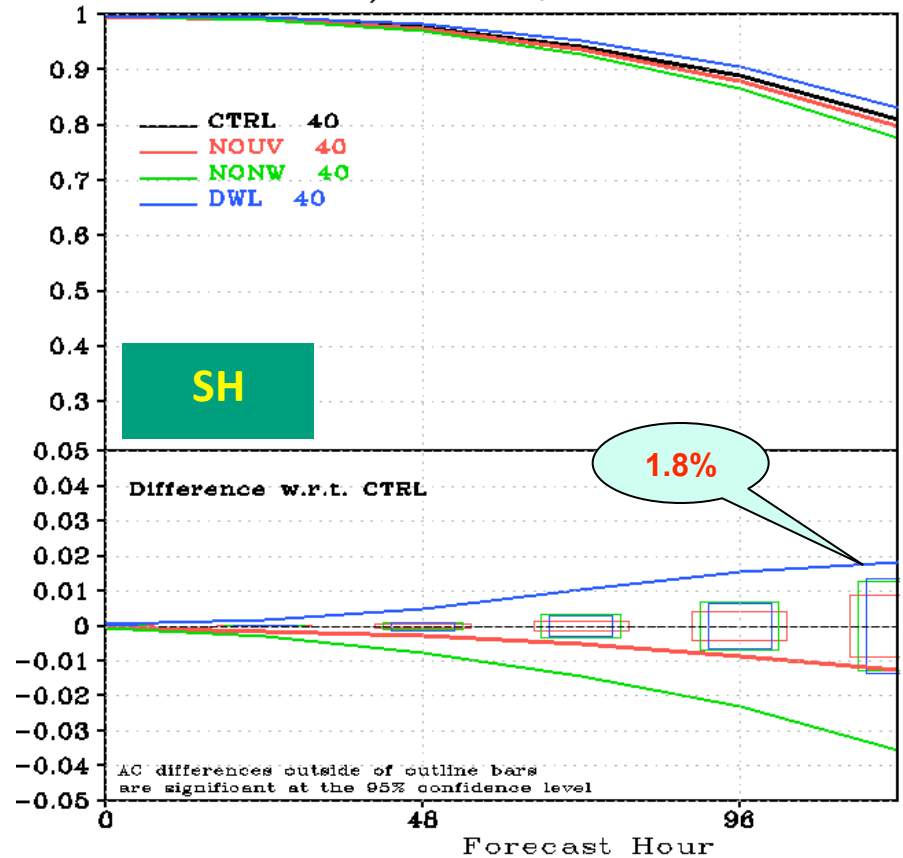
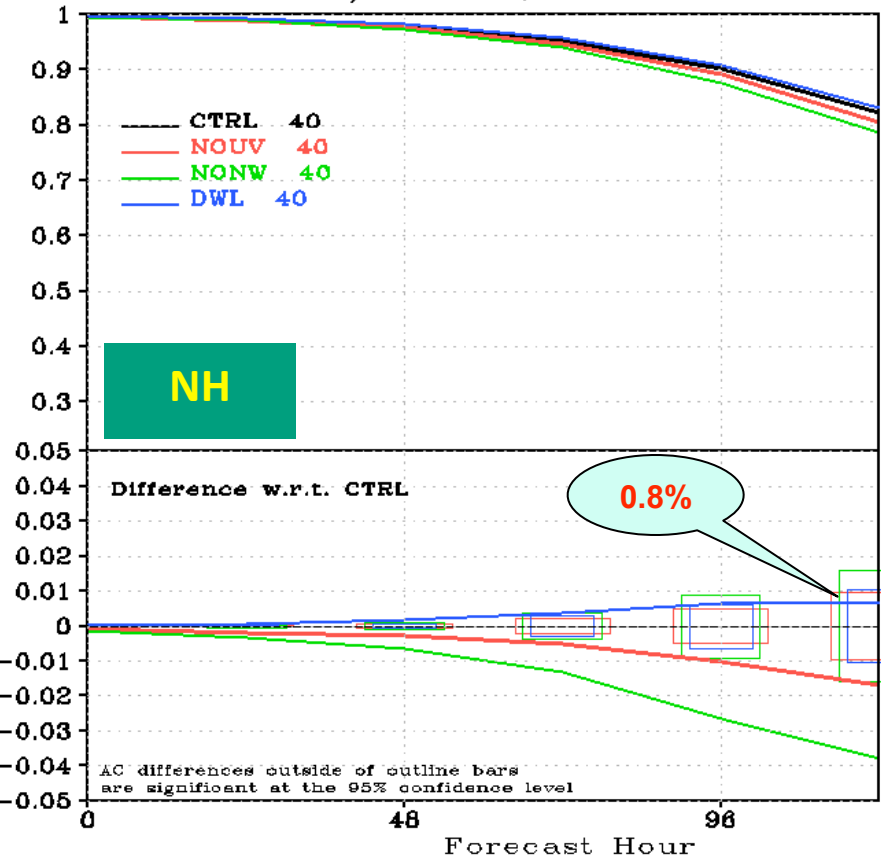
- NCEP GFS at a range of horizontal resolutions between T-126 and T-382 (previous operational resolution at NCEP; NR cannot accommodate current T-574 resolution)
- “OSSE period”: July 01-Aug 15, 2005 (simulated)
 - Five-day forecast launched every day at 00Z
 - Most observing systems used for routine operational NWP included, except GPSRO and IASI (will be included once we simulate 2010/11 GOS)
- Four experiments, all verified against Nature Run
 - CTRL: Observations as assimilated operationally by NCEP
 - NOUV: as CTRL, but without RAOBS (220, 221 and 232)
 - NONW: as CTRL, but without any wind observations
 - DWL : as CTRL, plus simulated GWOS lidar wind data
- Experiments done with “perfect data”
 - No observation error added (simple random errors tested; no significant changes to conclusions)
 - Simulated with assumed observation errors used in operations



500hPa HGT anomaly correlation coefficients (T126)

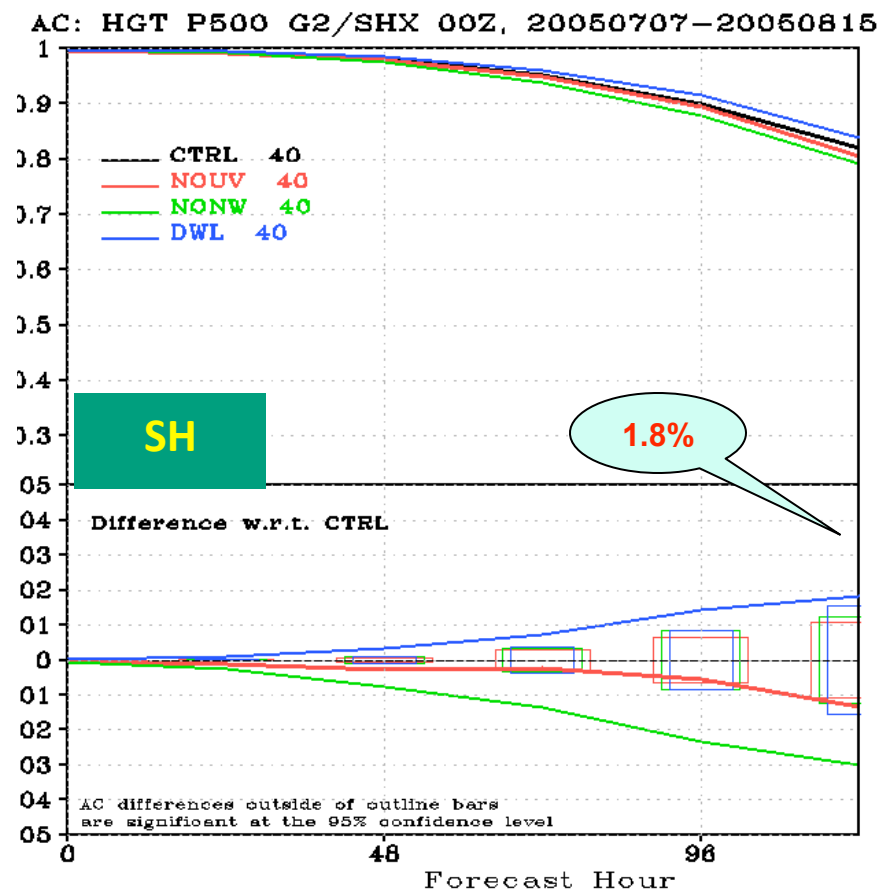
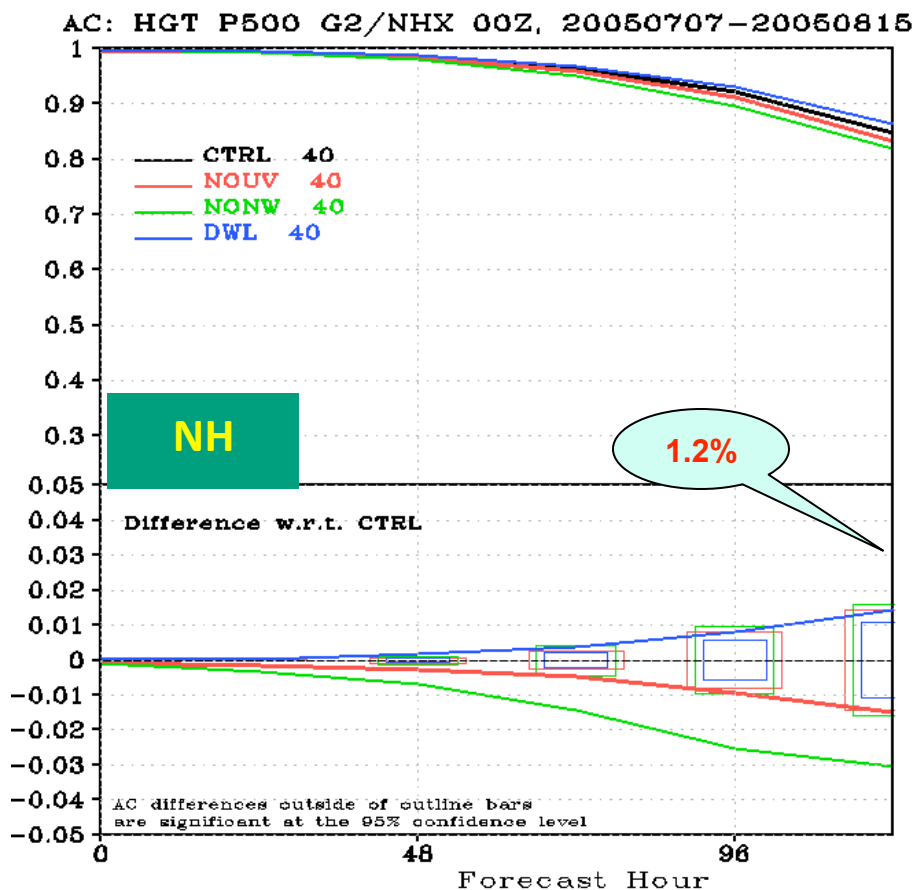
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500hPa HGT anomaly correlation coefficients (T382)

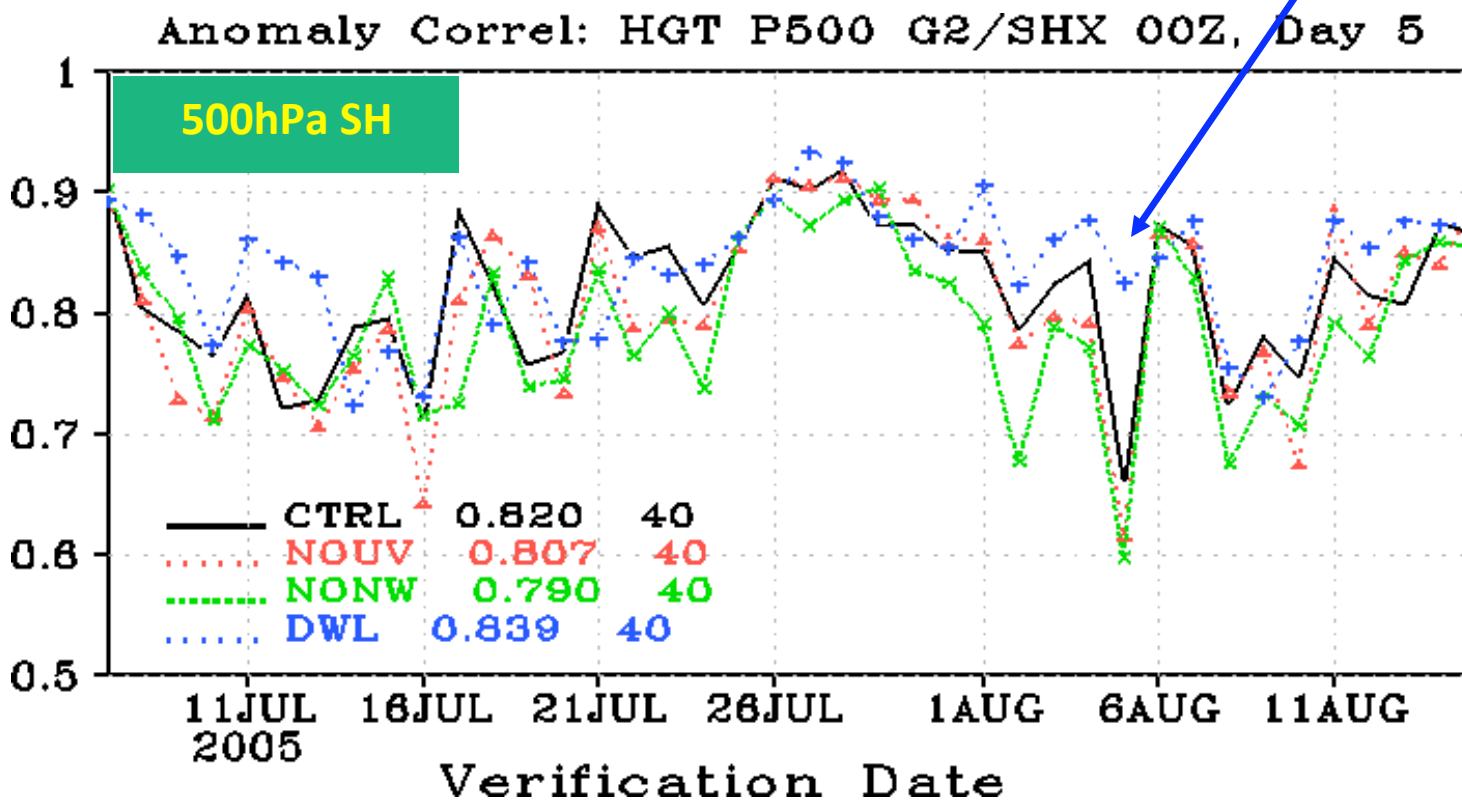


Impact of DWL observations is larger at the higher resolution (T382), even though skill of control is higher



Time series of 500hPa geopotential height AC

Candidates for additional study





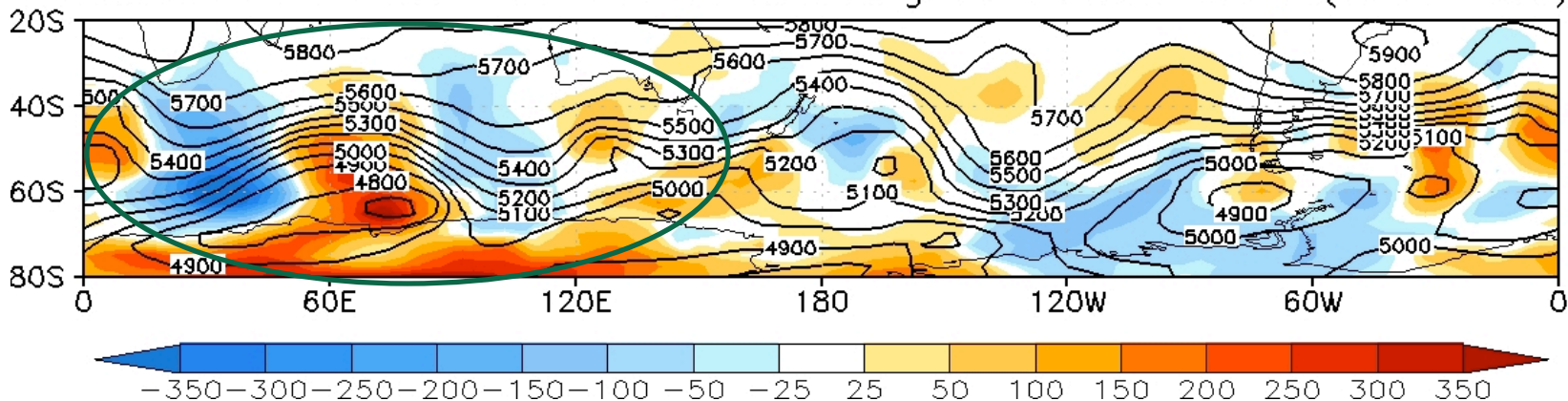
Special Case Study:

5 days forecast starting from July 31st

Open the link for the movies

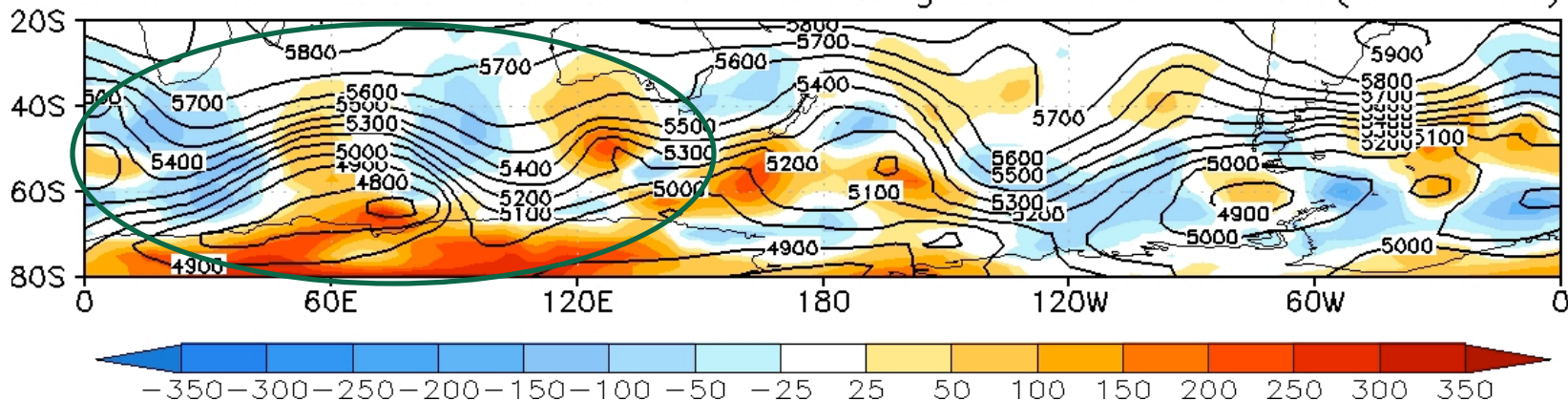
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500hPa HGT DIFF of F120h starting at 2005073100(CTRL-NR)



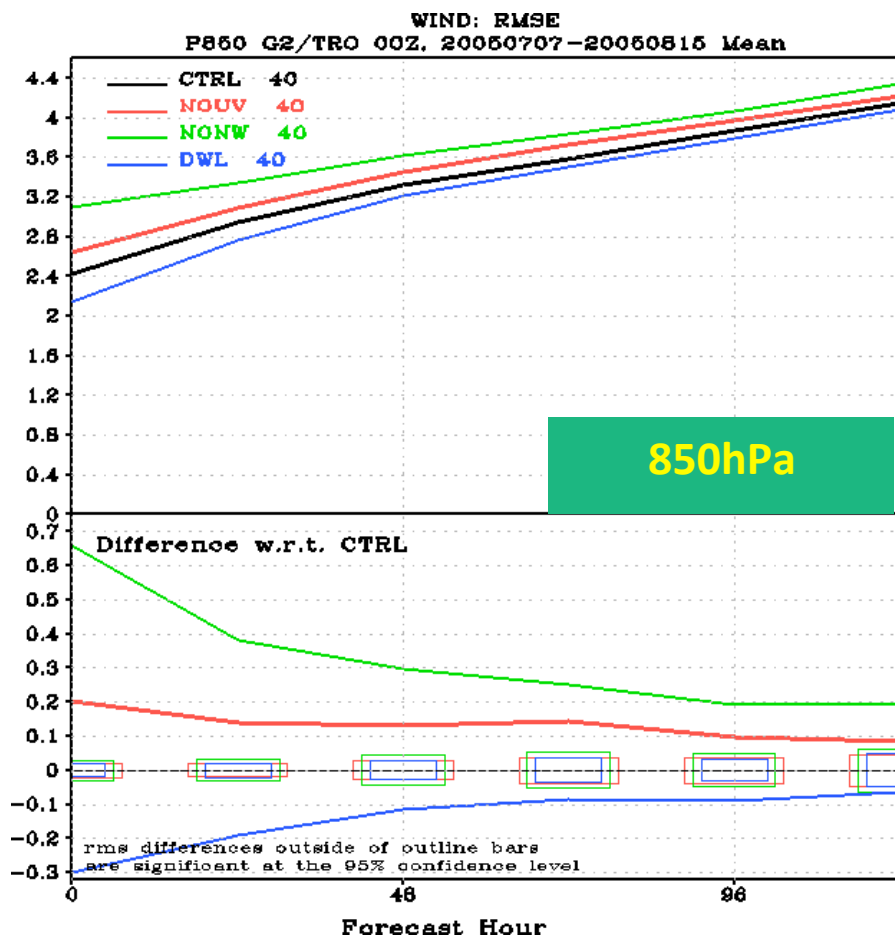
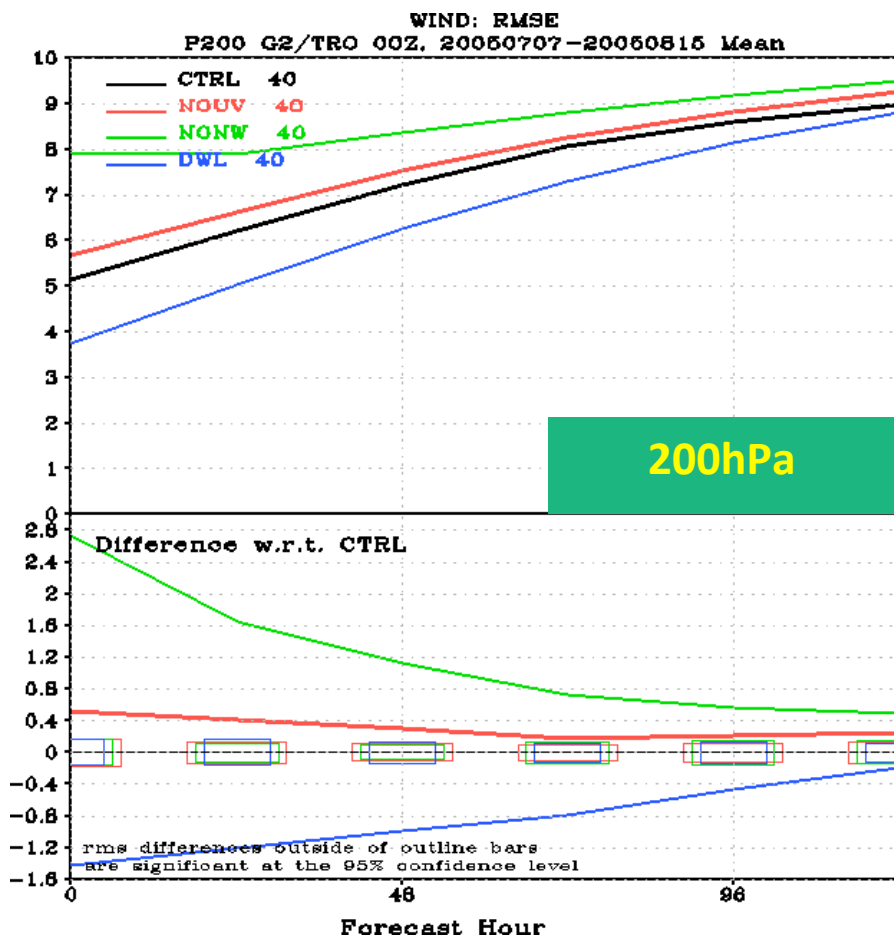
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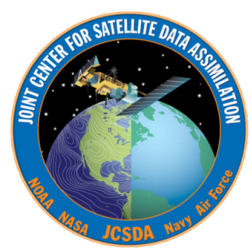
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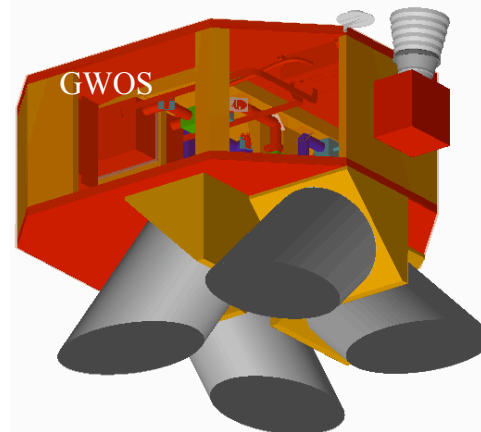
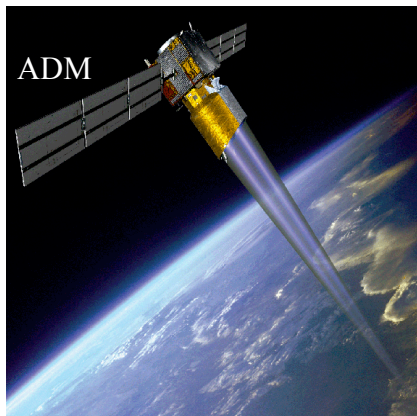
RMSE: 200, 850hPa Wind error in tropics (T382)





Single LOS or Vector Winds?

- ◆ Important configuration issue for GWOS (impact vs. cost); ESA's ADM/Aeolus wind mission has single Light-of-Sight (LOS).
- ◆ Experiments need to be performed with variable number of perspectives:
 - ◆ One; single line of sight, similar to ADM/Aeolus
 - ◆ Two; full horizontal wind vectors, left or right side of satellite track
 - ◆ Four; full GWOS coverage; wind vectors on both sides of satellite track



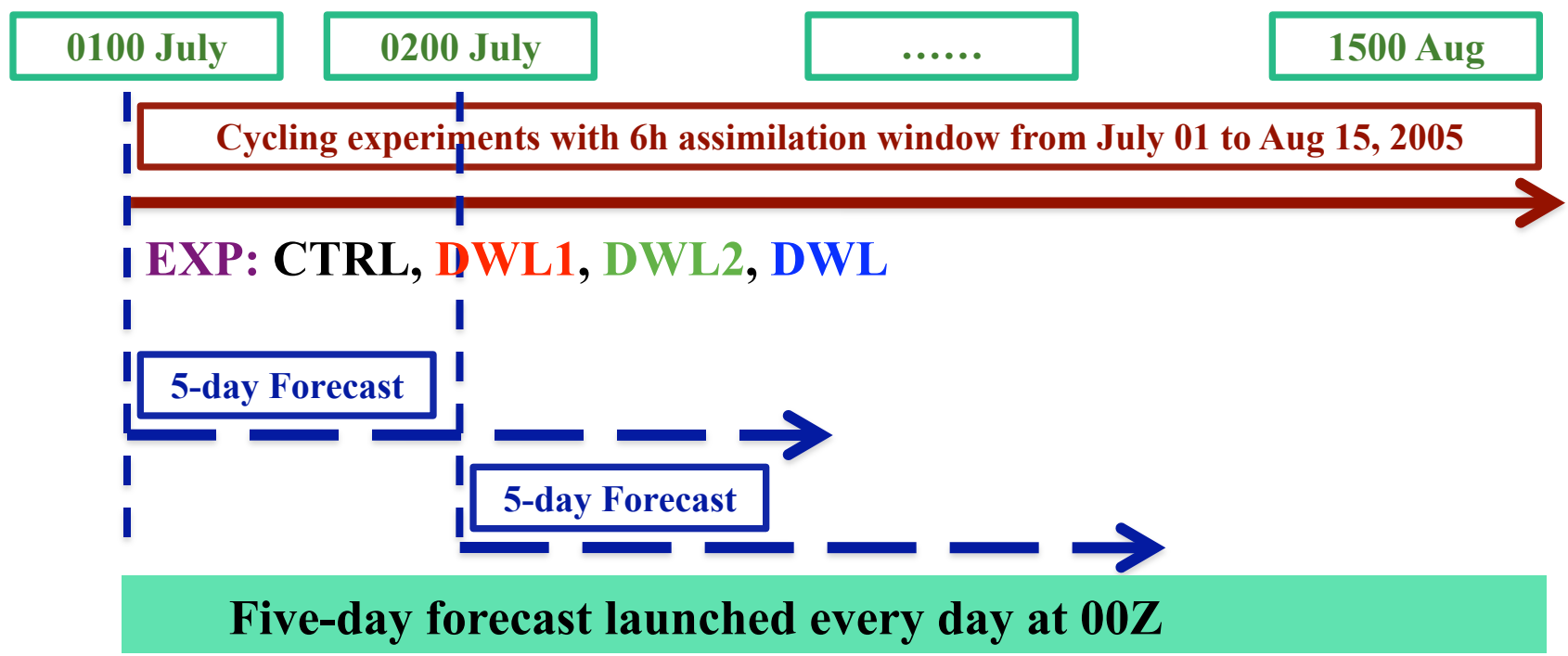
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Experiment Design

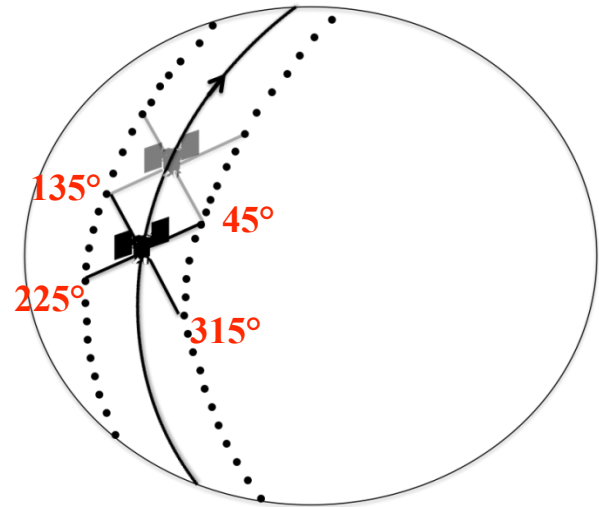
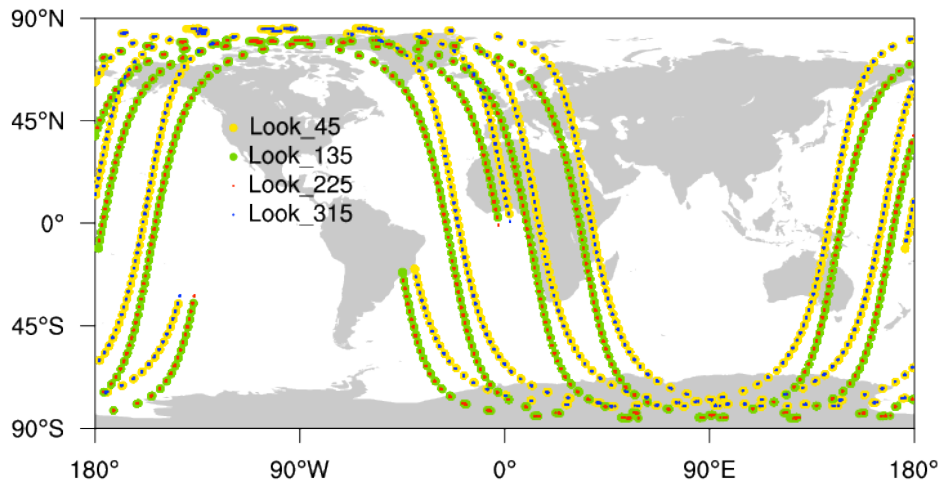
Four experiments, all verified against Nature Run

- ◆ **CTRL** : Observations as assimilated operationally by NCEP ;
- ◆ **DWL1** : As CTRL with one-telescope DWL data added, single perspective (**45°**);
- ◆ **DWL2** : As CTRL with two-telescope DWL data added, two-perspective (**45° and 315°**);
- ◆ **DWL** : As CTRL with four-telescope DWL data added (**four looks**);

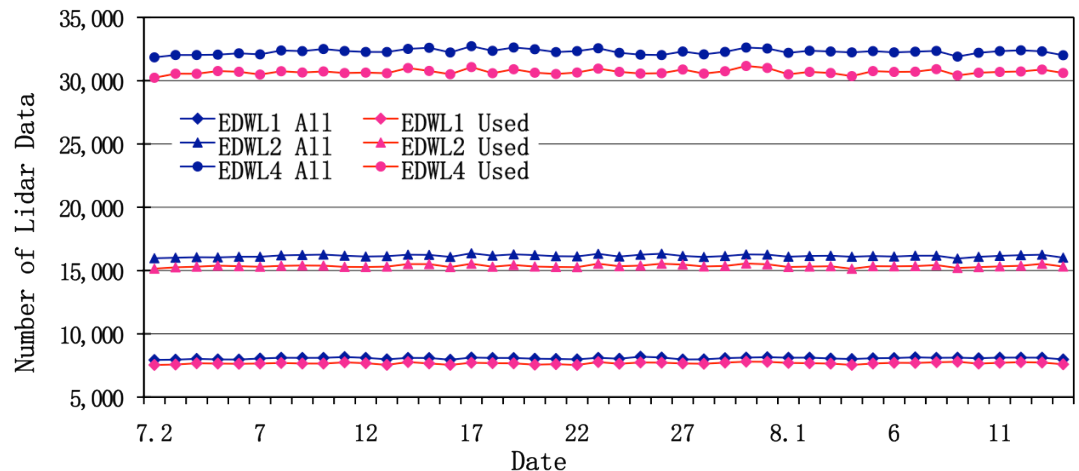




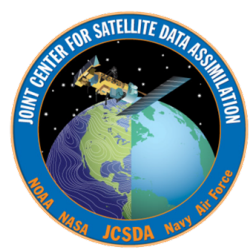
GWOS Lidar Wind obs



Distribution of Lidar observations at 2005072100

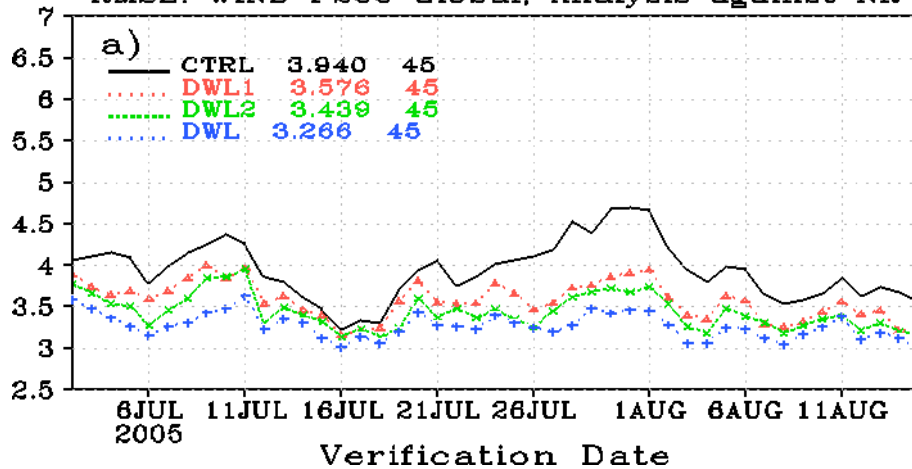


Number of Lidar obs per analysis cycle (shown only for 00Z)

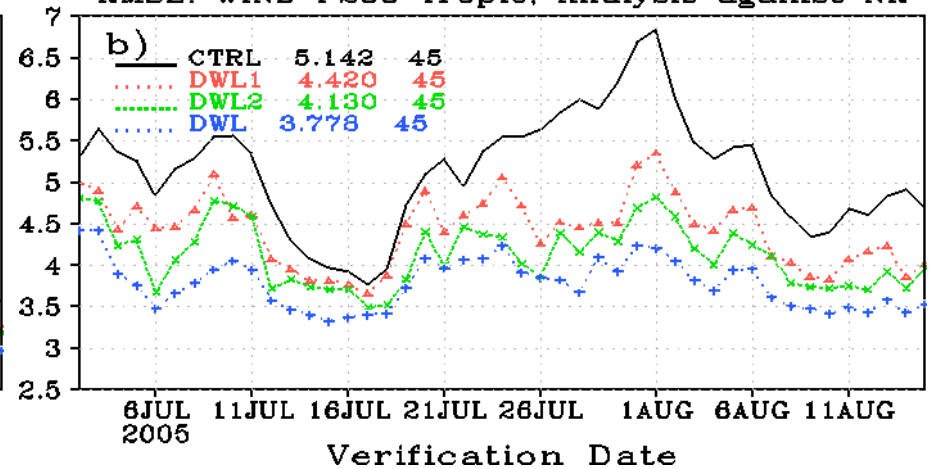


Analysis Impact: Wind

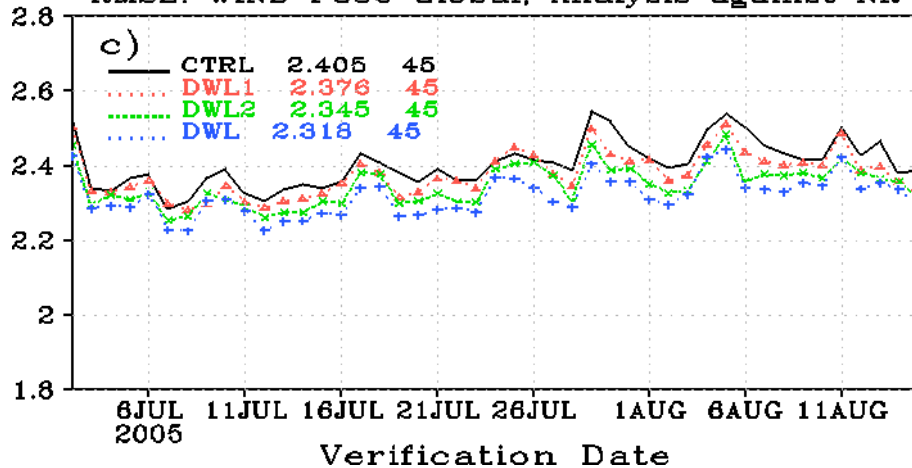
RMSE: WIND P200 Global, Analysis against NR



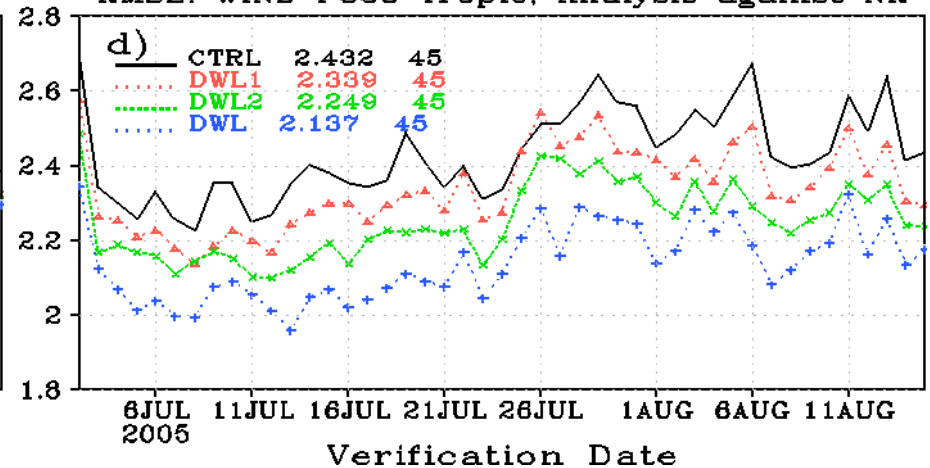
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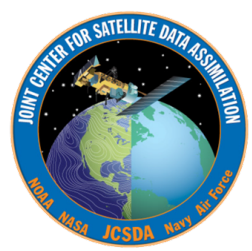


RMSE: WIND P850 Global, Analysis against NR

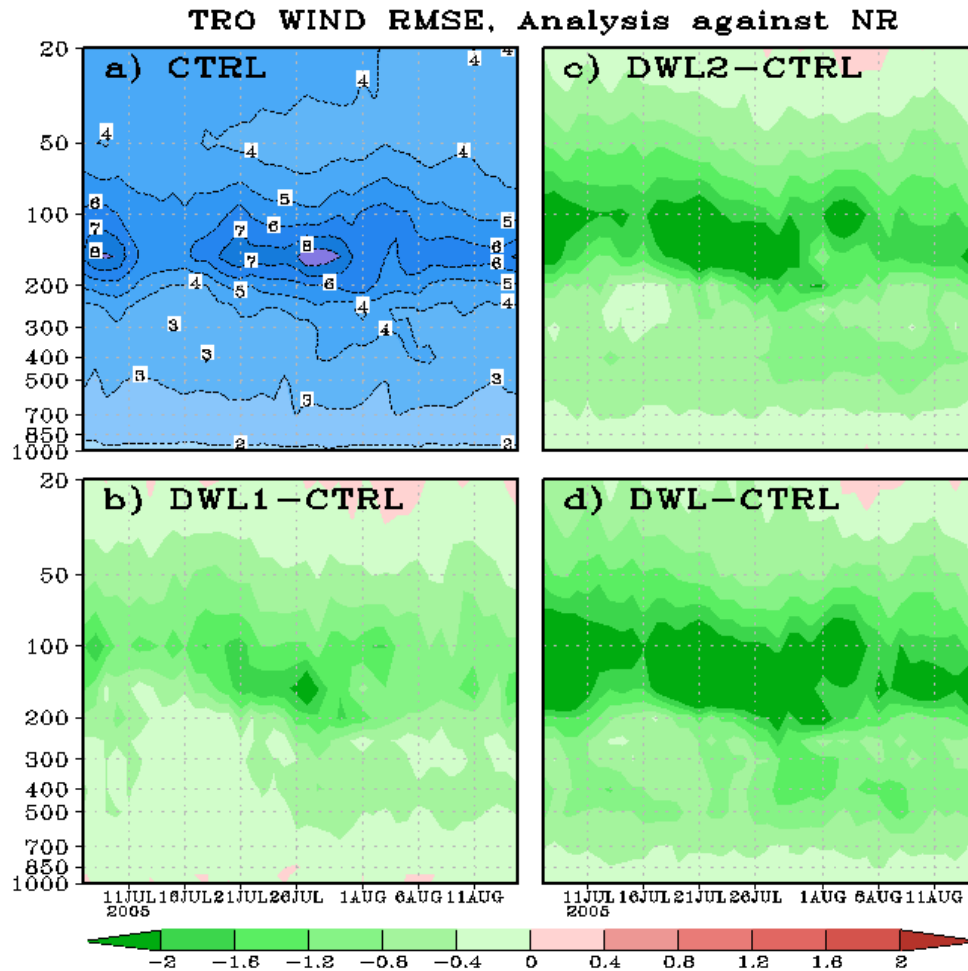


RMSE: WIND P850 Tropic, Analysis against NR





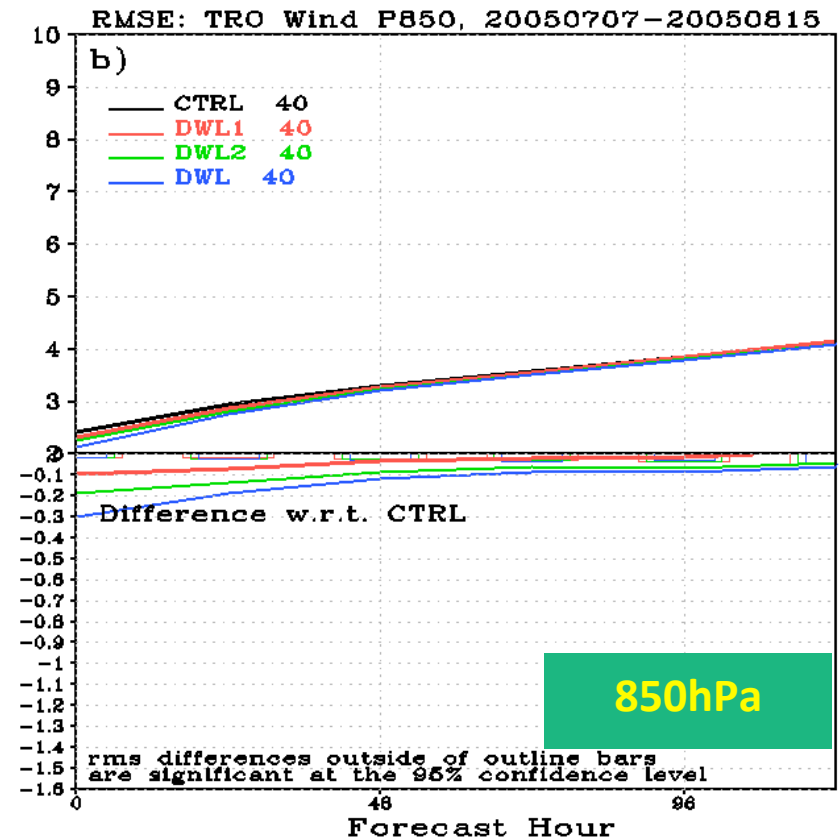
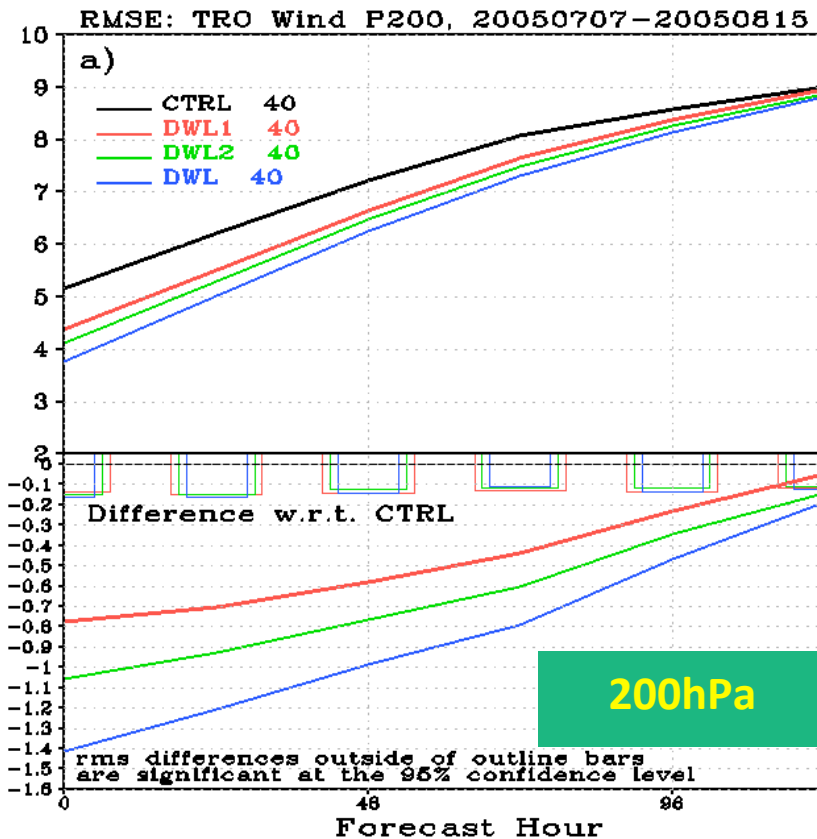
Analysis Impact: Wind ... (Tropical Wind RMSE)

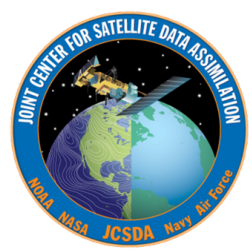




Forecast: Tropical Wind

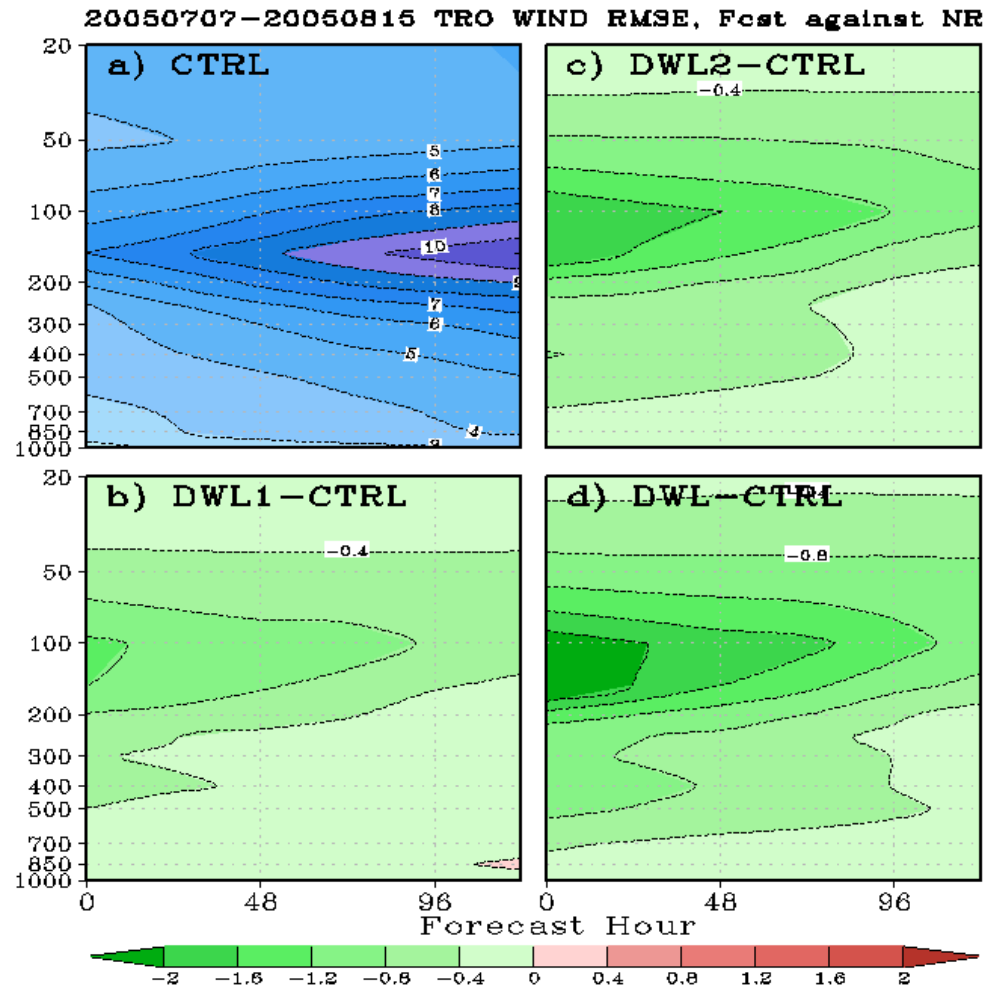
(RMSE at 200, 850hPa)





Forecast: Tropical Wind ...

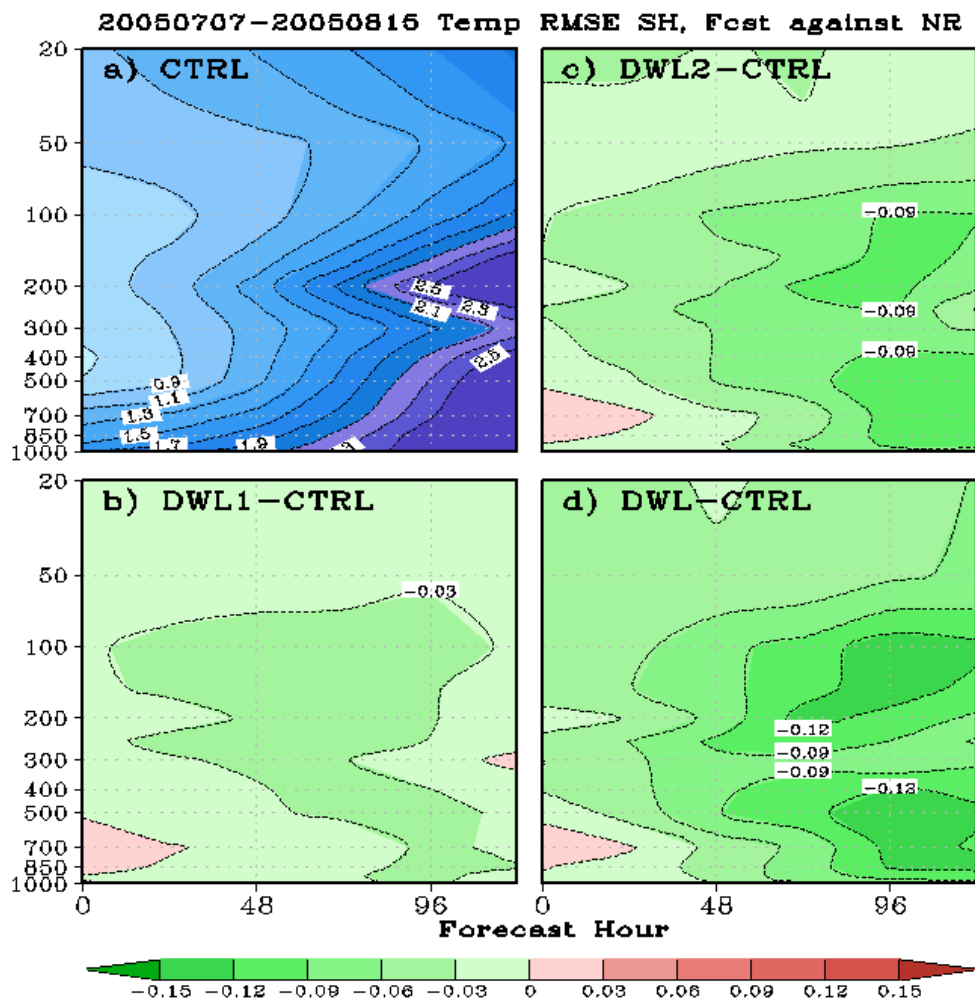
(RMSE for the whole pressure levels)

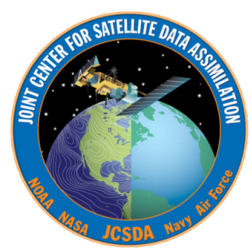




Forecast: Tropical Temperature

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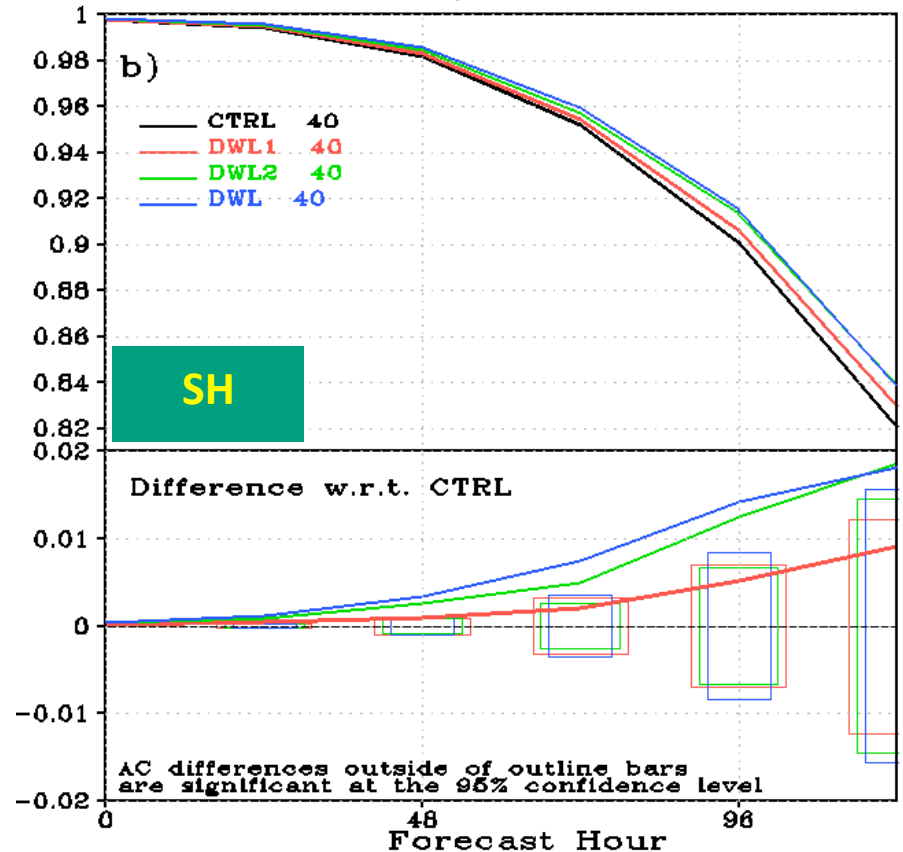
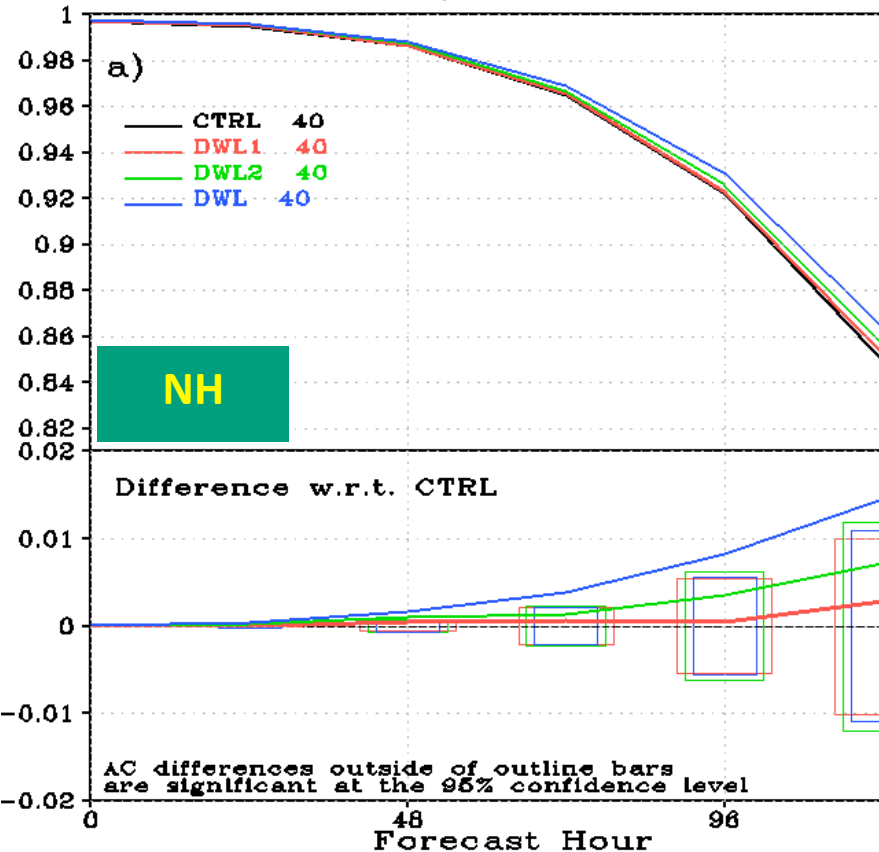




Forecast Impact: Geopotential Height AC (500 hPa AC coefficients)

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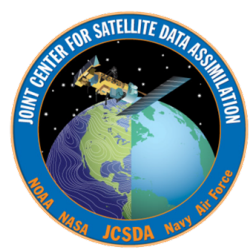
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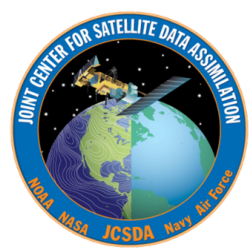
Summary and conclusions

- The lack of vertically resolved wind observations continues to be a major shortcoming of the Global Observing System
 - Here shown in the context of a modern, satellite radiance based assimilation system
- A comprehensive OSSE system has been developed under the Joint OSSE collaboration
- Results simulating expected impact of GWOS observations on NCEP GFS system are very encouraging
 - Small positive impact in NH extratropics (summer)
 - Larger positive impact in SH extratropics (winter)
 - Large positive impact in tropics; hurricane relevance
 - Two perspectives, more coverage lead to larger impact



Plans for WLS OSSE

- Experiment in opposite season (NH winter/SH summer)
- Increased horizontal resolution (T-574 and higher; requires new Nature Run)
- Detailed case studies
- Separate assessments of the impacts of Direct Detection and Coherent Detection
- Other orbits, e.g. different altitude, lower inclination
- Impact on applications other than NWP
- Other OSSEs planned (e.g. DWSS; funding being negotiated with DoD)



Joint OSSE data set

Joint OSSE Nature run and Simulated Observations



Joint OSSE Nature Run Data

Joint OSSE Nature Run by ECMWF
Spectral resolution : T511, Vertical levels: L91, 3 hourly dump

13 month long. Starting at 12Z May 1, 2005
Daily SST and ICE: provided by NCEP

Andersson, Erik and Michiko Masutani 2010: Collaboration on Observing System Simulation Experiments (Joint OSSE), ECMWF News Letter No. 123, Spring 2010, 14-16.

Copies are available to designated users for research purposes & to users known to ECMWF
User list is maintained by Michiko Masutani (NOAA/NCEP)
contact: michiko.masutani@noaa.gov

Complete Nature Run data set is posted at NASA/NCCS portal

<http://portal.nccs.nasa.gov/osse/index.pl>

Password protected. Accounts are arranged by **Ellen Salmon** (Ellen.M.Salmon@NASA.gov)

Limited data set is available from NCAR

<http://dss.ucar.edu/datasets/ds621.0/matrix.html>

Contact: Chi-Fan Shih chifan@ucar.edu and Steven Worley worley@ucar.edu



Simulated observation for Control experiments

- Entire Nature run Period -

Michiko Masutani and Jack Woollen (NOAA/NCEP/EMC)

Simulated radiance data,

Only Clear Sky radiance are posted

(Cloudy radiance are also simulated. Radiance with mask based on GSI usage is also simulated. But these data are not posted.)

BUFR format for entire Nature run period

Type of radiance data and location used for reanalysis from May 2005-May2006

Simulated using CRTM1.2.2

No observational error added

Conventional data

Entire Nature run Period

Restricted data removed

Cloud track wind is based on real observation location

No observational error added



Simulation of radiance data at NOAA

Jack Woollen and Michiko Masutani

Step 1. Thinning of radiance data based on real use

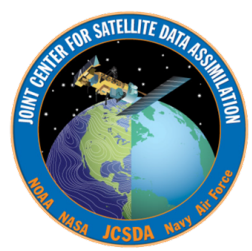
GOES and SBUV are simulated as they are missing from the GMAO dataset.

PrepBUFR is simulated based on CDAS distribution and quality controls.

Radiance data for instruments used in 2005-2006 are generated at the foot print used by the NCEP reanalysis.

Simulation was conducted using CRTM 1.2.2.

Some calibration and validation will be conducted by NCEP and NESDIS. However, users are expected to perform their own calibrations and validation.



Step 2. Simulation of radiance data using cloudy radiance

Cloudy radiance is still under development. The simulation of cloudy radiance was completed but may be repeated with a newer version of CRTM when it is ready.

Nature Run

(grib1 reduced Gaussian)
91 level 3-D data (12 Variables)
2-D data (71 Variables)
Climatological data

Observation template

Geometry
Location
Mask

Decoding grib1
Horizontal Interpolation

Need complete NR (3.5TB)
Random access to grib1 data
Need Data Experts

DBL91

Need lots of cpu's
Need Radiation Experts

Running Simulation program (RTM)

Need Data Experts but this
will be a small program

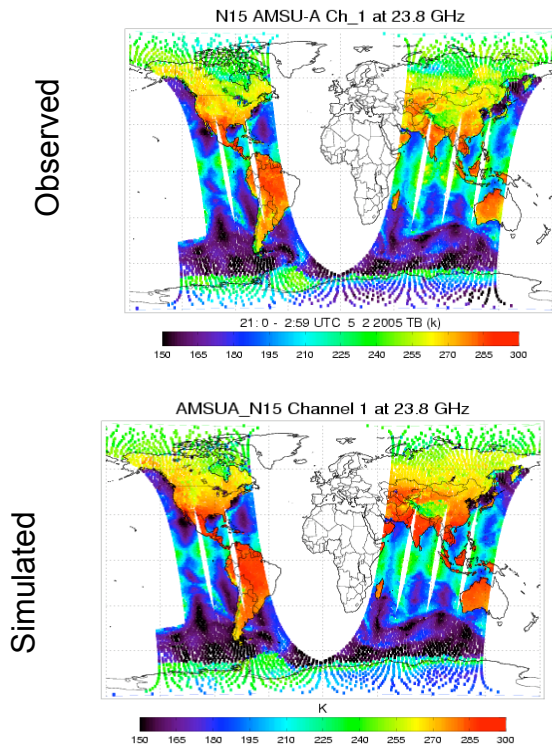
Post Processing (Add mask for channel, Packing to BUFR)

Simulated Radiance Data

Evaluation of simulated GOES and AMSUA at the 1st step (12hr fcst) of the Nature Run simulated with 2005 template Tong Zhu (NESDIS)

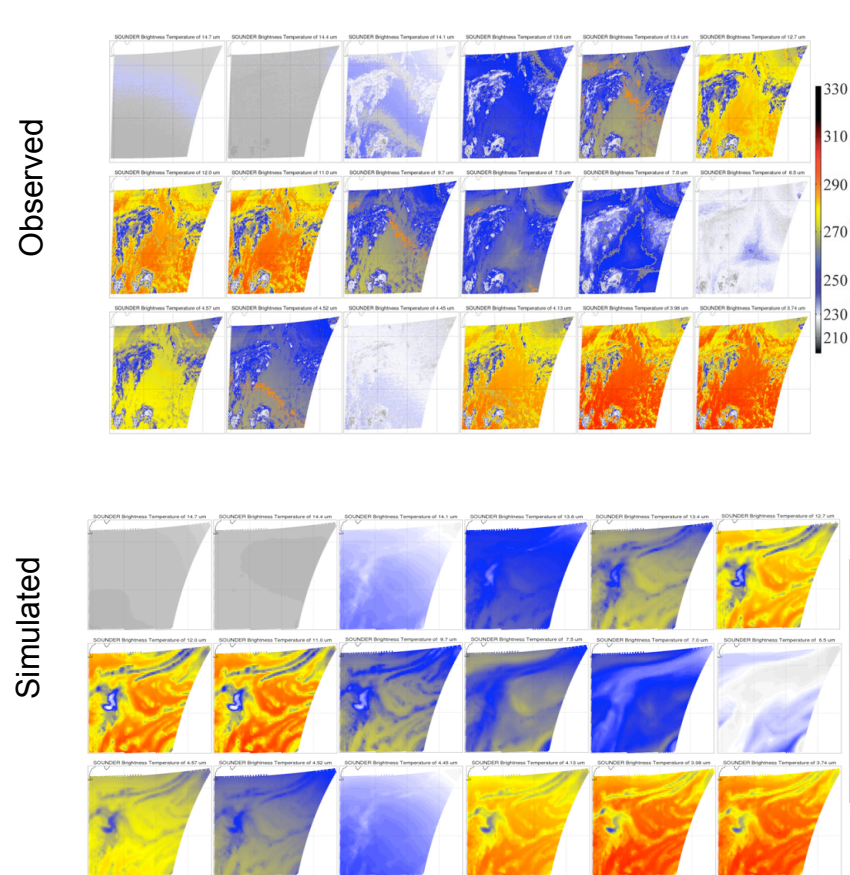
Observation and simulation of GOES-12 Sounder 18 IR channels at over North Atlantic region at 1200 UTC October 1, 2005.

Tong Zhu (NESDIS)



These figures are expected to be very similar.

Fig. 1 NOAA -15 AMSU-A Channel 1 brightness temperature at GSI analysis time 0000 UTC May 2, 2005, time window 6 hours from (left) observation, (right)) CRTM simulation with NR atmospheric profiles.

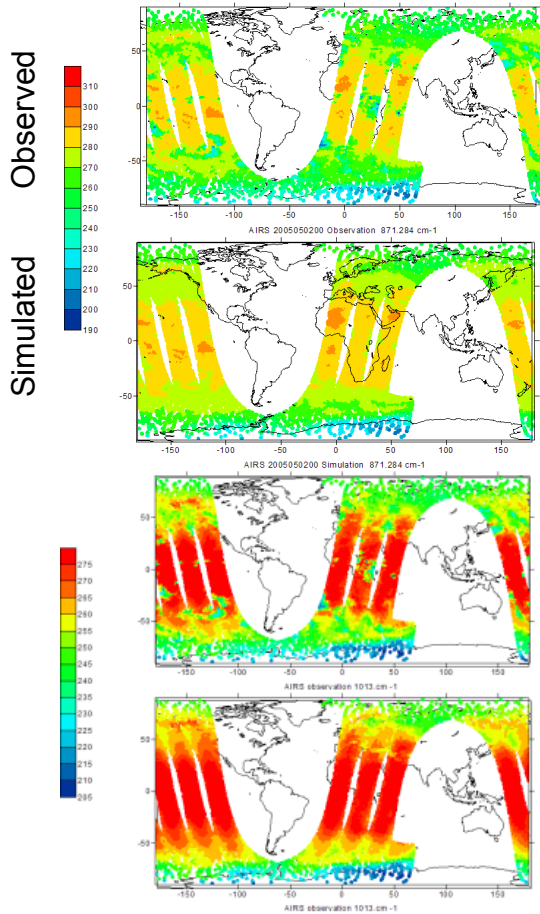


These figures do not have to be same as weathers are different, but similarities are observed.

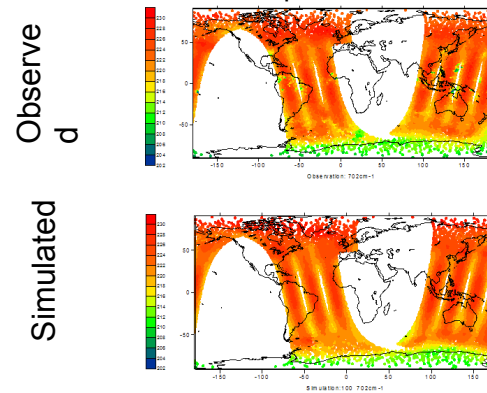
Evaluation of simulated AIRS and IASI at the 12hr fcst of the Nature Run simulated with 2009 template

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AIRS

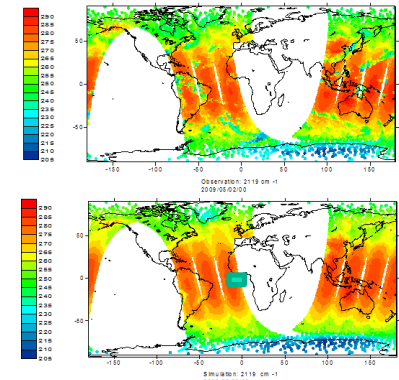


IASI simulation Evaluation at CO₂ Absorption Band

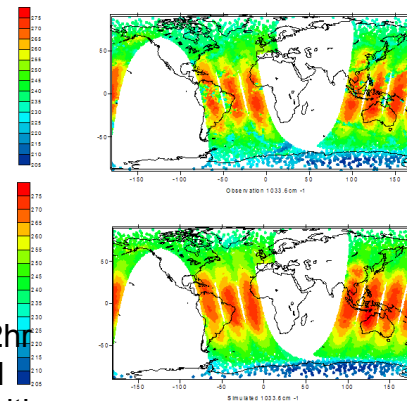


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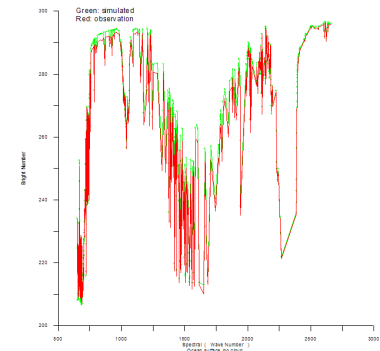
IASI simulation Evaluation at Windows channel



IASI simulation Evaluation at O₃ Absorb band



IASI Simulation over ocean (Clear atmosphere)



The Nature run start at May 1st 12z. At 00z May 2nd (12hr forecast), the Nature Run fields are still very close to real atmosphere and simulated radiance can be compared with real observations.



Data Distribution

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[Simulation of TC vital]

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Software used for simulations are all posted. CRTM used for simulation. CRTM1.2.2 (Different from the version posted at JCSDA website)

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Simulated radiance data, with and without MASK in BUFR format for entire Nature run period

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ECMWF Joint Observing System Simulation Experiment (OSSE) Nature Run

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CLOUD - Cloud analysis from 200505-200606	
T799NR - T799NR including T799Oct05 and T799Apr06	
ObsRadiance - Observed radiance	
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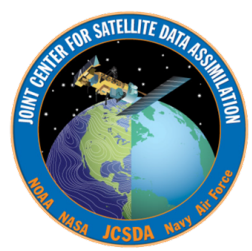
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Hurricane Case study

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Investigate design for OSSE experiments.

Experiments comparison between model resolution and GWOS data to find out the best resolution for the WLS OSSE

Effect of observational error in data impact



Atlantic Hurricane in the nature run for the analysis period of 9/25-10/10

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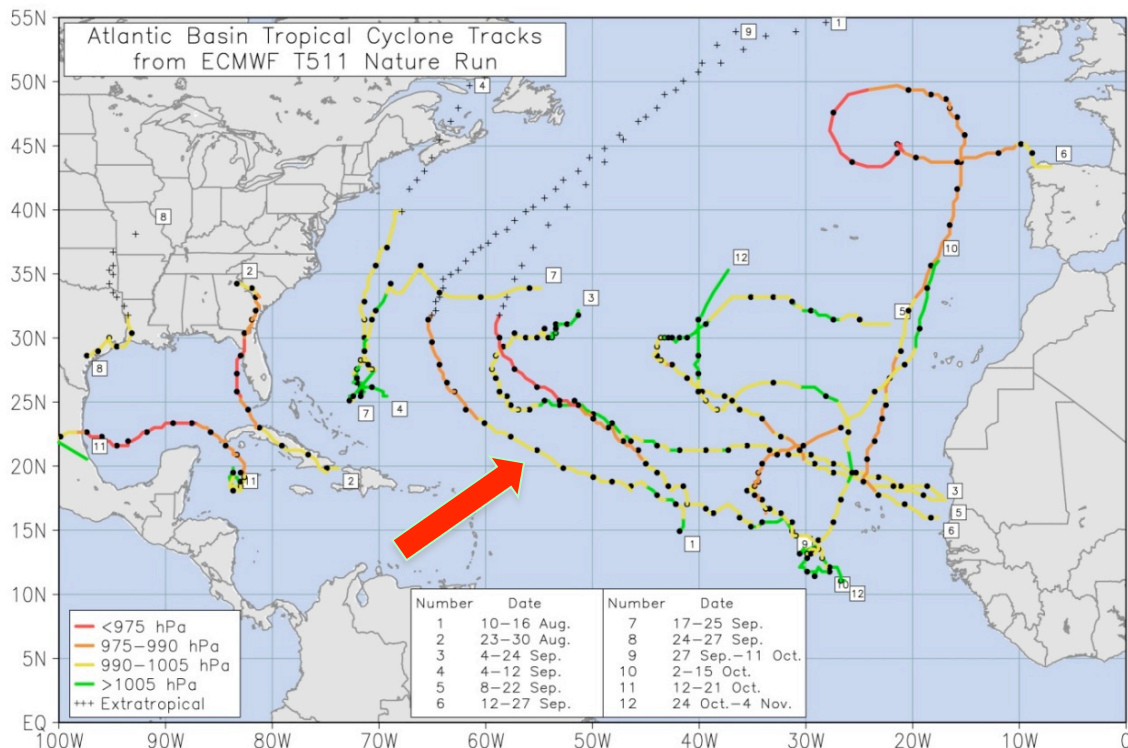


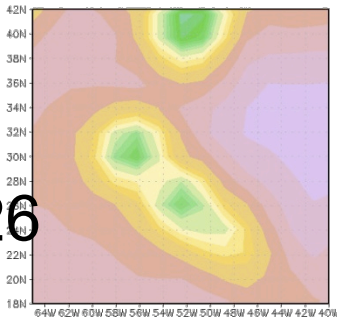
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Simulated observation
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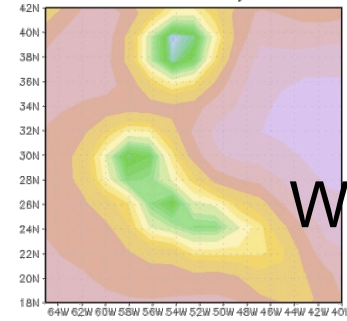
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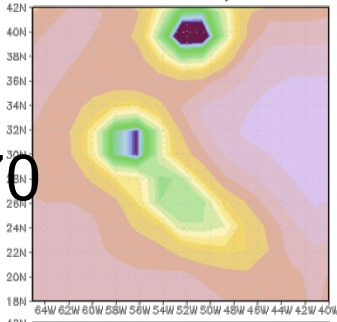


Minimum Mean Sea level Pressure
 The verification period:
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 Evaluated at 00Z only

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 With DWL

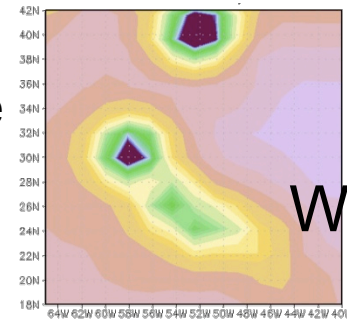


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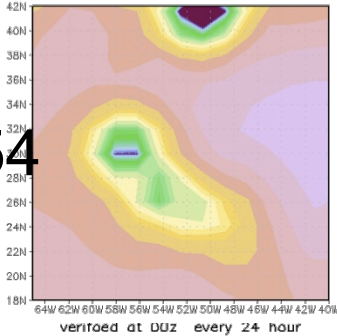


This display indicates the hurricane
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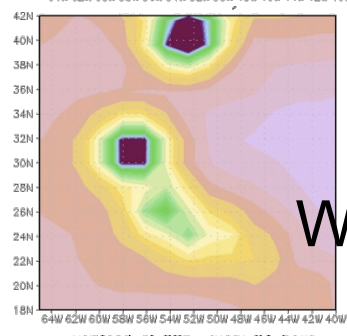


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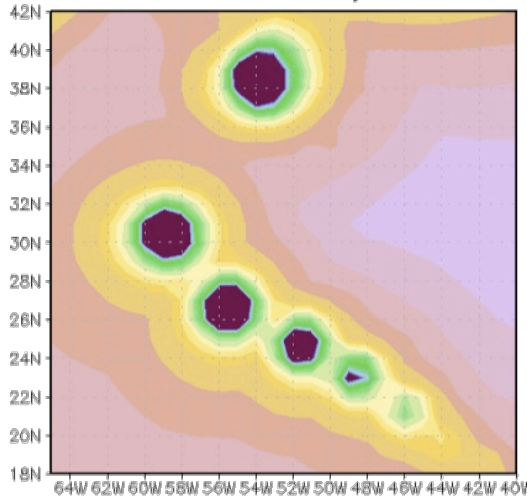
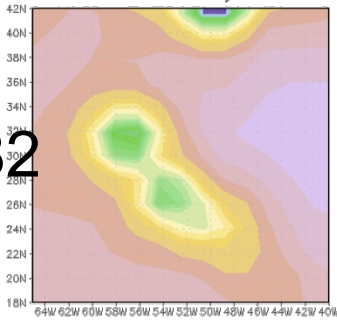


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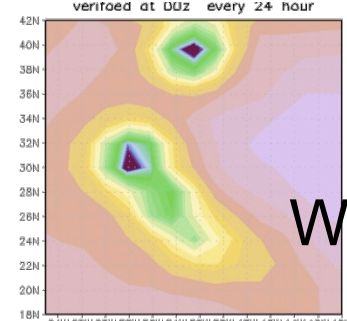
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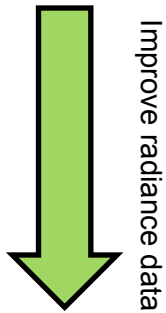
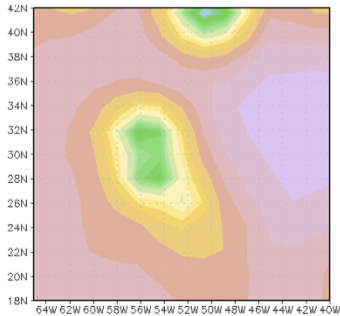
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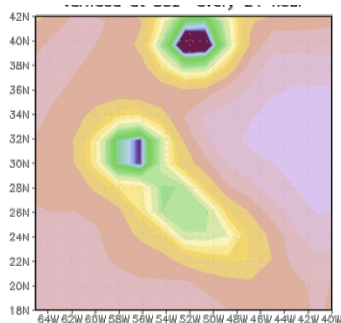


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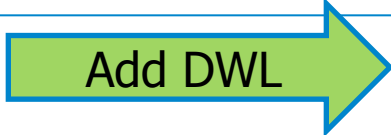


Improve radiance data

T170 No obs error in radiance



Evaluation of observational error in radiance



Add DWL

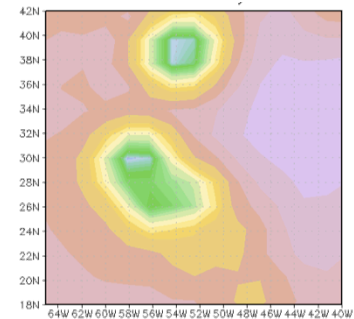
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Better radiance data help track and intensity forecast. DWL also will improve intensity forecast s even with perfect radiance data.



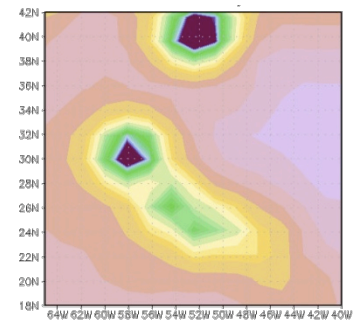
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T170 with large obs error in radiance
DWL added



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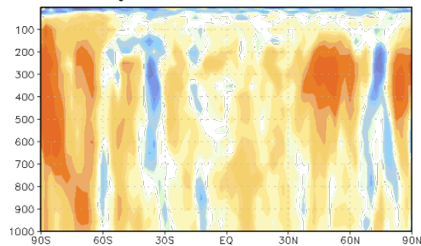
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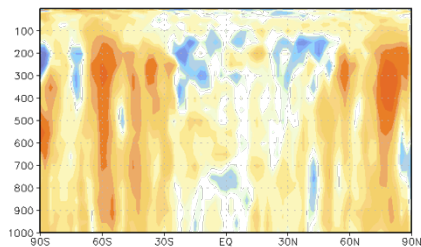
Impact of resolution vs. GWOS DWL

Improvement by Increasing resolution

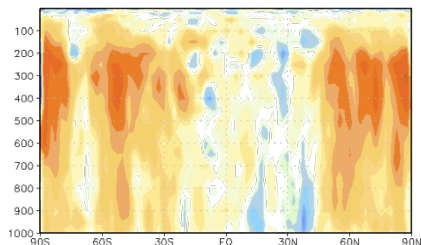
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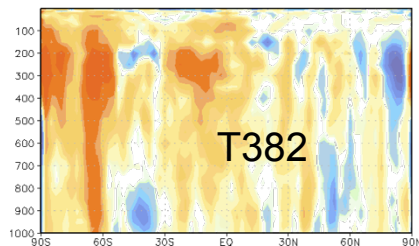
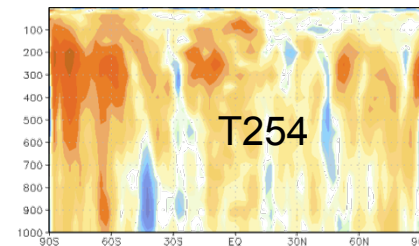
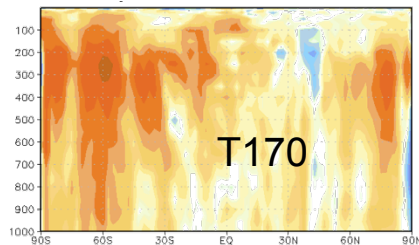
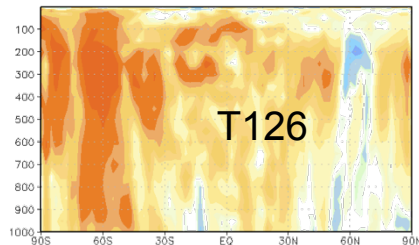
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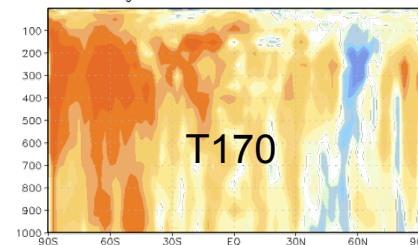
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Improvement by Adding GWOS DWL



Reduction of RMSE from NR in meridional wind
Zonal averaged
The verification period
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in 72 hour forecast
Evaluated at 00Z only



Add large error to radiance data

More verification planned.

Add forecast from 12z. Try DWL with other configuration.
Produce hurricane track diagnostics.





Initial Summary of Hurricane OSSE

OSSE with control observation without observational error is useful to provide initial outlook of data impact a new type of observation.

Some interesting findings

- ◆ DWL improves both intensity and location of a hurricane at all resolution even with perfect control observation.
- ◆ In hurricane season, increasing model resolution will be more effective in large scale forecast. Improvement due to adding DWL is mainly over hurricane.
- ◆ Random error do not have significant impact in large scale, but more impact in smaller scale.
- ◆ With better radiance data impact of DWL was enhanced.
- ◆ At least T170 resolution is required to utilize DWL data for hurricane forecast . Impact of DWL is larger in T254 than in T170 model forecast. T382 model for OSSE with T511 Nature run may not be the best.

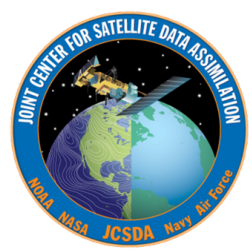


Further work on Hurricane Case study

- ◆ Add various observational errors to control observations and study data sensitivity to the data impact. This by itself is a major important project.
- ◆ Increase forecast frequency to 12 hour to get better statistics
- ◆ Produce standard EMC skill package and hurricane diagnostics for better comparison.

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Beyond wind lidar OSSEs

- OSSEs for JPSS (JPO)
- OSSEs for DWSS (CAPE, OSD)
- GPSRO
- GOES-R