



Next Generation Global Prediction System: FV3 Dynamic Core Powered Unified Model Development for NCEP Operations

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Outline

FV3 Dynamic Core: Central component for NOAA's Next Gen. Prediction Systems

Progress on FV3GFS and FV3GDAS Developments

Plans for Assimilation of JPSS Data

Results from Real-Time Experiments

FV3 Dynamic Core for Regional Convective Allowing Modeling Applications and moving nests for hurricanes

FV3GFS Implementation Plan

| FV3GFS | FY17 | | | | FY18 | | | | FY19 | | | | FY20 | | | |
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| | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| Evaluate and Document FV3 | Evaluate, prepare and document FV3 dycore for GFS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FV3 Dycore in NEMS | | Implement FV3 dycore in NEMS [@] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FV3 Dycore with GFS Physics | | | Couple FV3 to GFS physics (NUOPC physics driver) perform forecast-only experiments, tuning and | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Preliminary GSI/EnKF DA for | | | Develop DA techniques [%] (native grid vs physics grid; New data) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cycled FV3GFS* experiments (real-time parallels) | | | Cycled experiments, benchmarking, efficiency and optimization | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | Real-time parallel FV3GFS forecasts to the field | | | | | | | | | | |
| Develop end-to-end FV3GFS | | | | Pre- and post-processing, verification & downstream | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pre-implementation T&E for FV3GFS ^{@&%} | | | | | | | 3-year retrospective + real-time parallels, EMC and Community Evaluation | | | | | | | | | |
| Transition to operations | | | | | | | Experimental (beta) implementation of FV3GFS* | | NCO Parallel | | NEMS/FV3GFS in operations | | | | | |
| Advancement of FV3GFS | | | | | | | | | | | Further advancements of FV3GFS with inputs from NGGPS and community contributions & Global-Meso unification (Unified | | | | | |

* Q3FY18 FV3GFS will be very similar to operational GFS being implemented in May 2017

[@] Q3FY19 FV3GFS target resolution is ~10km grid with 127 layers, extends up to 80 km.

[&] Advanced physics: Scale-aware convection, SHOC PBL, Double-moment microphysics, Unified convective and orographic gravity wave drag etc

[%] DA system will be @35 km 127 levels using 4d-Hybrid EnVAR

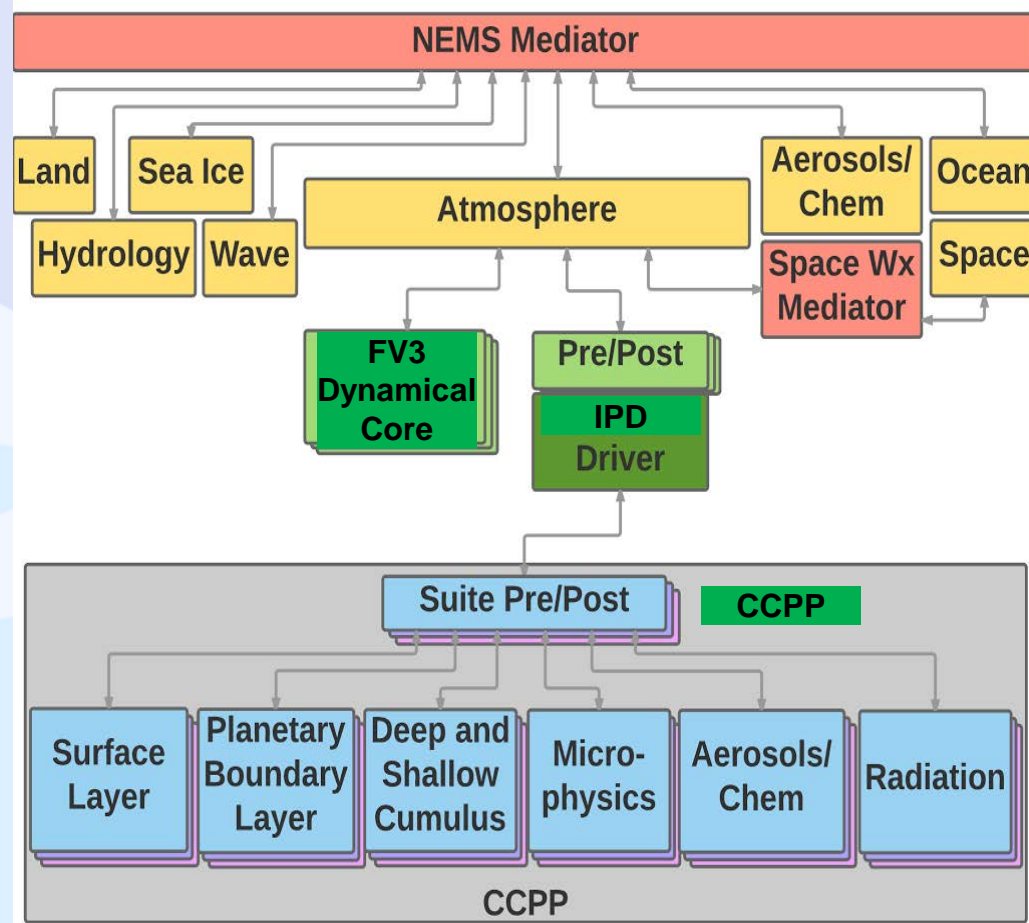
FV3GFS CAP and Write Component

ESMF Based NEMS FV3GFS - Object Oriented Design

NEMS is based on ESMF and follows NUOPC convention

A numerical model in NEMS is represented by software and implemented as an ESMF grid component.

Each ESMF grid component has its own internal state with internal methods



Physics: Two-Stream Strategy

NUOPC Physics Driver in NEMS using Community Common Physics Package (EMC, GFDL, ESRL, GMTB)

| Physical Processes | Operational Physics (Evolved) | Advanced Physics* (CCPP) |
|---|---|--|
| Radiation | RRTMG | RRTMG (scale and aerosol aware, w/sub-grid scale clouds) |
| Penetrative convection and Shallow convection | SAS RAS | Scale-aware Chikira-Sugiyama & Arakawa-Wu; Grell-Freitas |
| Turbulent transport (PBL) | Hybrid EDMF | CS+SHOC (unified convection & turbulence) |
| Cloud microphysics | Zhao-Carr WSM-6 | Double Moment scheme (Morrison, Thompson Barahona) |
| Gravity wave drag | Orographic GWD Stationary convective GWD | Unified representation of GWD |
| Ozone physics | NRL simplified scheme | Modified NRL scheme |
| Land surface model (LSM) | Noah | Noah and LIS |
| SST | Reynolds/RTG SST | NSST |

**Includes aerosol chemistry (NGAC) module*

Progress on FV3GFS Development

- **FV3GFS Superstructure is created on EMC subversion to manage the code and workflow repositories**
 - *ESRL, GFDL and EMC are currently primary developers*
- **FV3GFS Forecast only experiments run in real-time four times a day**
 - *Uses operational GFS IC and GFS Physics, results available online*
 - <http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/gmb/wx24fy/NGGPS/fv3gfsb/>
- **FV3GFS is now in NEMS**
 - *NEMS CAP is available for FV3GFS*
 - *Real-time experiments switched to NEMS/FV3GFS by April 1, 2017*
 - *Interoperable Physics Driver (IPD V4.0) is delivered by GFDL*
 - *FV3GFS is coupled to CCpp style GFS Physics using IPD V4*
- **Data Assimilation for FV3 is progressing well**
 - *Stochastic Physics is implemented into FV3GFS*
 - *ESMF Regridding Tools are available in NEMS/FV3GFS*
 - *Cycled DA system in experimental mode by May 2017*

Resolution, Physics Grid, and Run-time on Cray

10-d forecast, 6-hourly output, 3.75-minute time step

C768, 13km, 3,538,944 points

| Hydro/ non-hydro | precision | threads | nodes | CPU (min/10day) |
|---------------------|-----------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Non-hydro | 32-bit | 2 | 64 | 89 |
| Non-hydro | 64-bit | 2 | 64 | 137 |
| Non-hydro | 64-bit | 2 | 144 | 69 |
| hydro | 64-bit | 2 | 64 | 95 |
| hydro | 64-bit | 2 | 144 | 51 |

Current Default Setting for Benchmark Test



Production requirement

T1534 NEMS GFS (~13 km, 3072x1536), 61 nodes, 73 minutes

Benchmark Test of NEMS FV3GFS w/IPDv4 & NSST

Model: NEMS FV3GFS + CAP + IPDv3 +NSST, non-hydrostatic, non-mono, 32-bit

Physics: Q3FY17 NEMS GSM physics, including NSST model, updated convection, new high-resolution MODIS land datasets and a few other minor updates.

Initial Conditions: NEMS GSM (global spectral model) ICs, converted to FV3 grid using CHGRES

Forecast Length: 240 hours, 3-hourly output

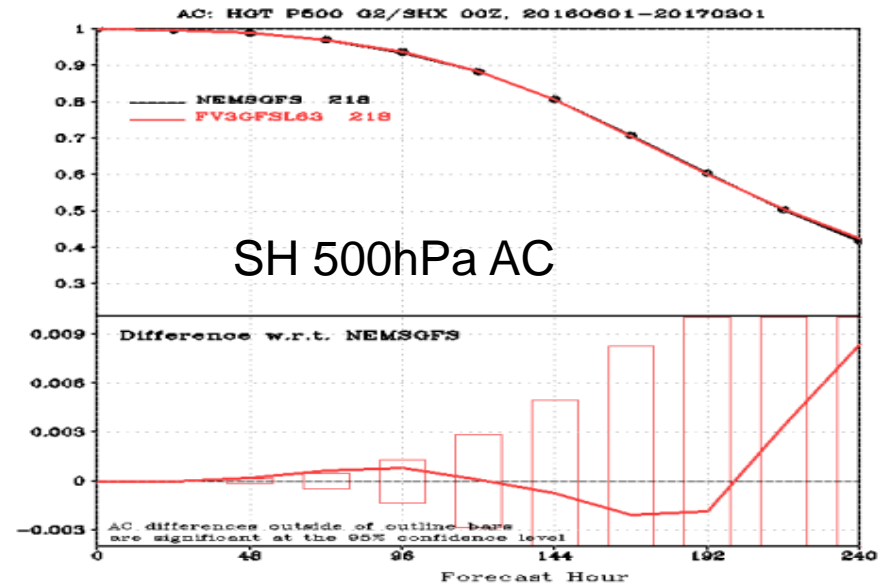
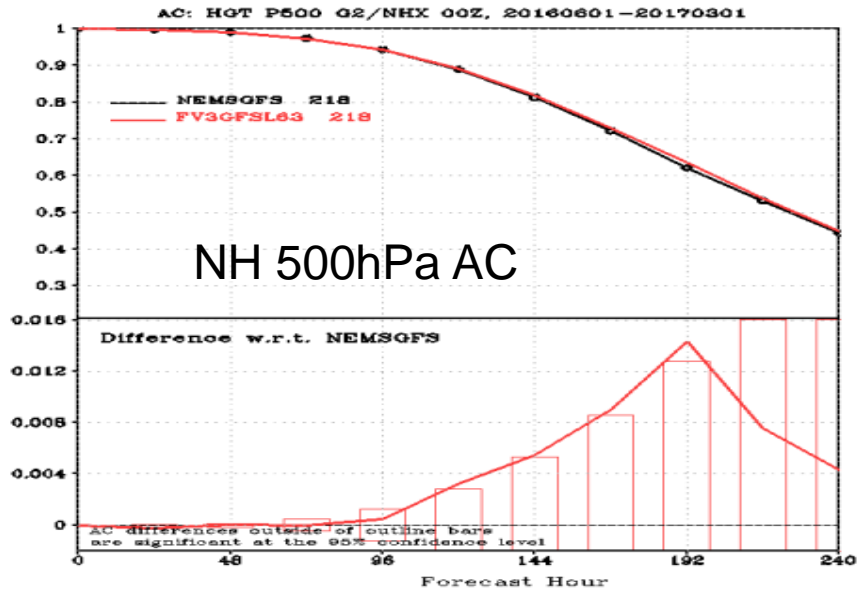
Control: NEMS GSM parallels

Benchmark Test 1: L63 (top at ~1.0 hPa), C768 (~13km), Jun2016-Mar2017

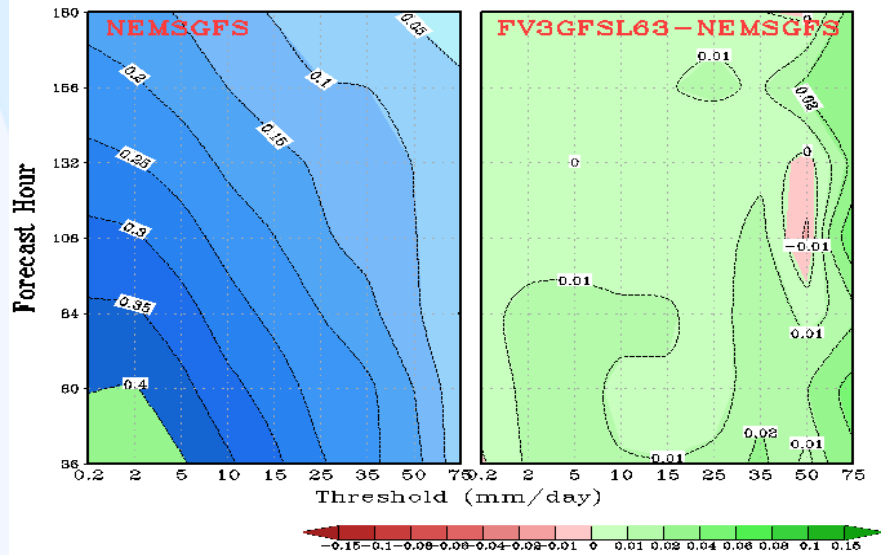
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Benchmark Test 2: L64 (top at ~0.4 hPa), C768 (~13km), Jun2016-Jul2017

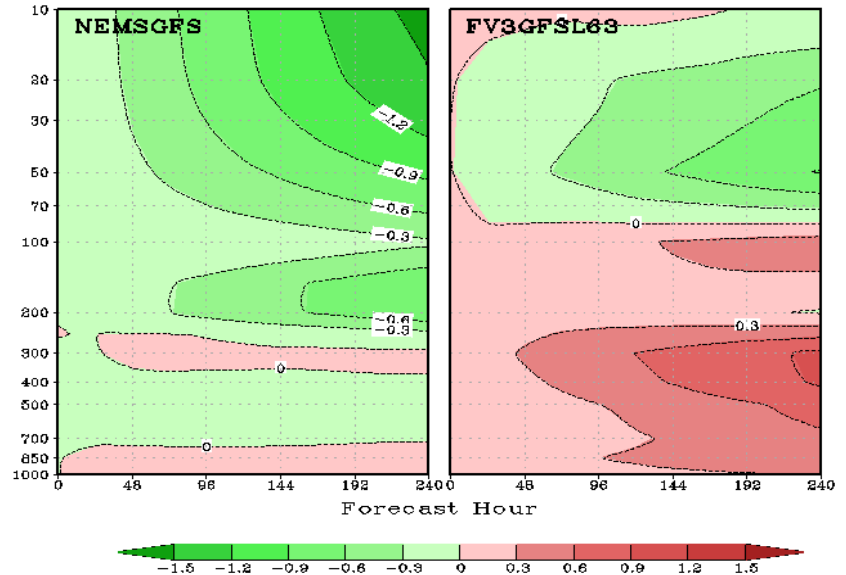
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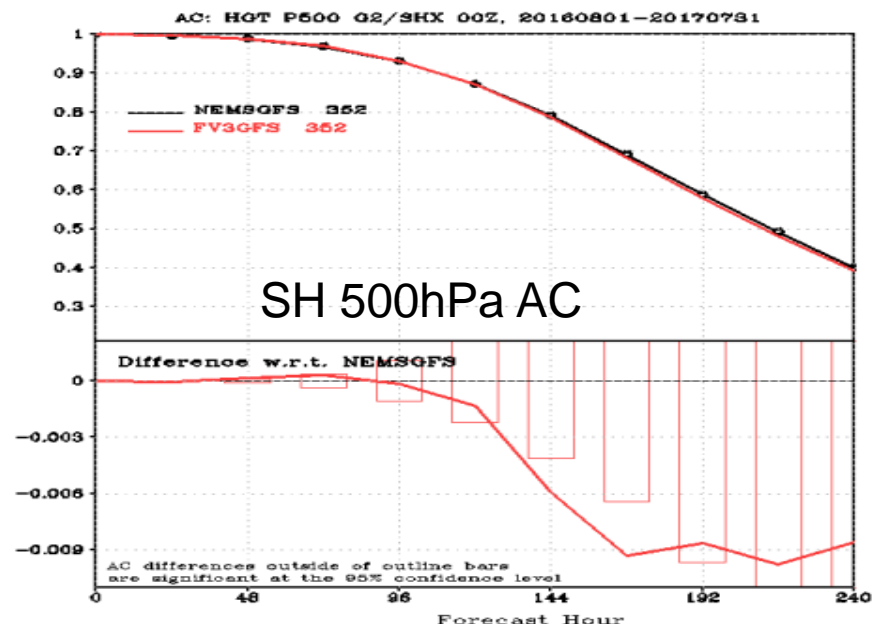
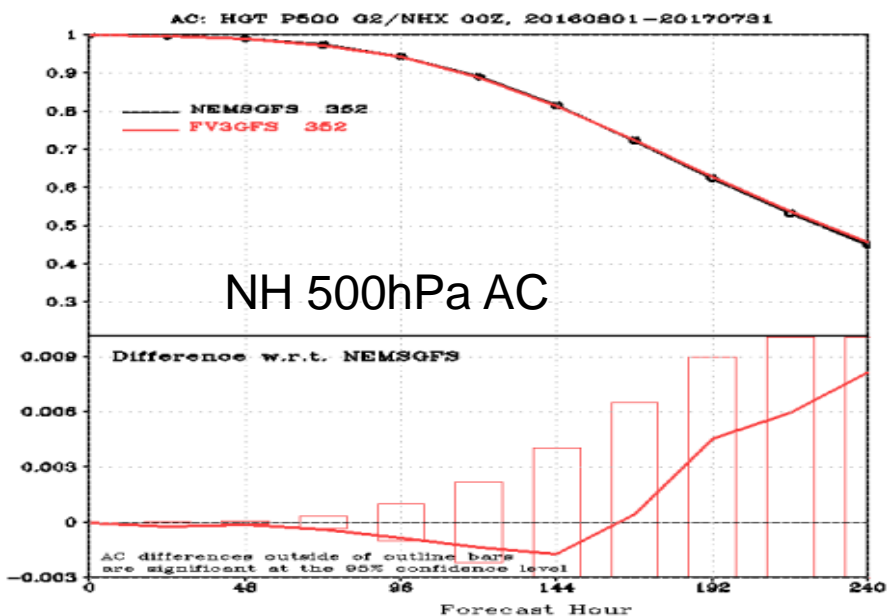


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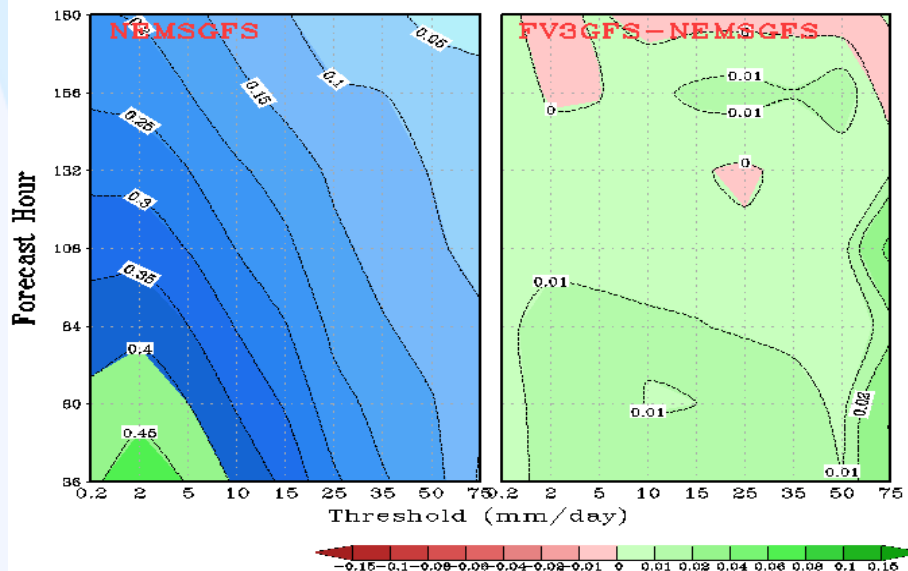


Tropical Temperature Bias

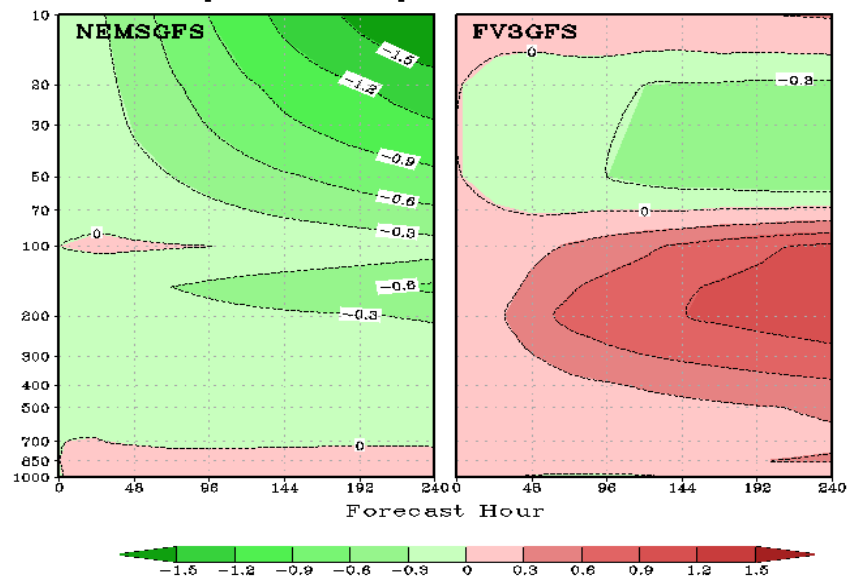




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FV3 GFS DA Timeline

FV3-GFS Data Assimilation (DA) Plan (FY2017-2020)

| FY17 | | | | FY18 | | | | FY19 | | | | FY20 | | | |
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| Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| | | Adopt GDAS (4D Hybrid En-VAR) DA for FV3GFS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Testing, Evaluation and Operational Implementation of new satellite datasets (GOES- 16, JPSS, COSMIC-2 etc.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Increase vertical resolution to 127 levels and increase GDAS resolution to 35 km | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Incorporate JEDI Unified Forward Operator and Modular GSI infrastructure | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | Develop and implement DA on native cubed sphere grid | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Further advancements of FV3GDAS Global-Meso- Marine unification (Unified DA Development) | | | | | |

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Experimental (beta)
implementation of
FV3GFS

Status of FV3GFS DA at EMC

Rocoto-based workflow 90% done. We can now fully cycle NEMS-FV3 similar to NEMS-GSM

- GSI requires rectilinear grid (Gaussian or regular lat-lon). Utilizing intermediate NEMSIO-Gaussian grid files for DA. No substantive changes to GSI.
- FV3 receives Gaussian grid *increments* and interpolates to native grid.

Using GSM-based climatological background error, analysis is effectively hydrostatic

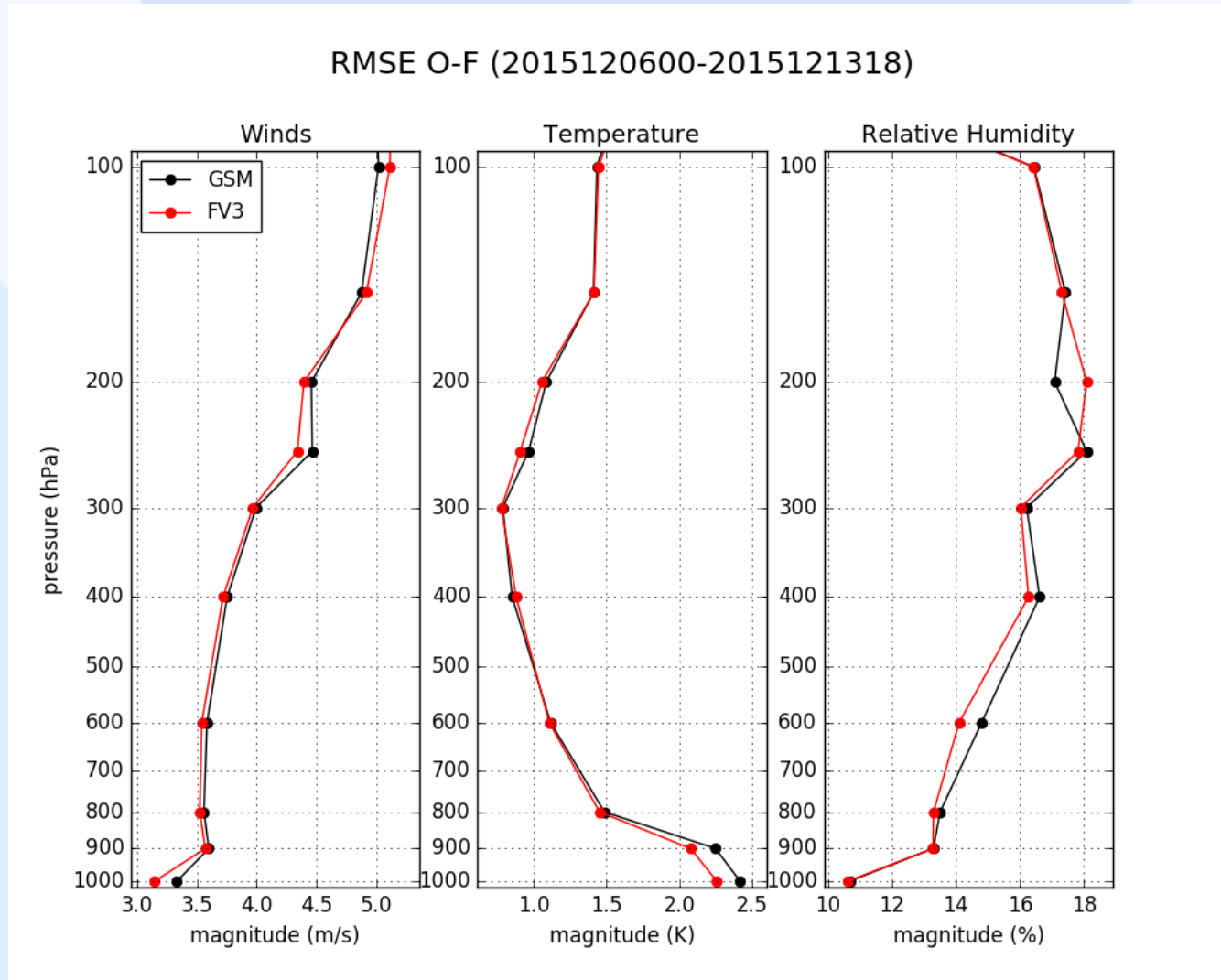
No fully functioning stochastic physics or initialization

- Collaborating with NOAA/ESRL on SPPT, SHUM, SKEBS (nearly ready) and IAU (shortly thereafter)
- TLNMC still applied within assimilation itself

Cycling of surface fields slightly different for now (no global_cycle)

Model Equivalents (06hr FGAT)

Our first result at EMC*



Next Steps

Start testing of stochastic physics

Integration and testing of IAU

4DEnVar benchmark testing including real-time at full resolution

Work toward higher vertical resolution, advanced physics configuration

In Parallel

- NGGPS-era offers both a challenge and an opportunity for broader coordination and significant generalization
- A new effort in the US on coordinated data assimilation development is gaining traction: JEDI
- All slides and discussion that follow are courtesy of Tom Auligne (JCSDA Director) and Yannick Tremolet (JEDI Master)

Plans for the assimilation of JPSS-1 Data: ATMS

JPSS-1 will launch in Fall 2017.

At NCEP we have plans to assimilate CrIS, ATMS and OMPS-N data. These instruments are currently flying on S-NPP and we currently assimilate both CrIS and ATMS

- ATMS
 - We currently assimilate all S-NPP ATMS channels except for Ch 15 which affected by the model top.
 - The assimilation configuration closely follows the clear sky configuration used for AMSU-A and MHS, but AMSU-A like channels need are remapped to improve the noise characteristics.
 - The impact of ATMS on the forecast skill is close to neutral
 - Assimilation of ATMS on JPSS-1 will closely follow the configuration of S-NPP.
 - Be more aggressive with observation errors as the striping effect noted on the S-NPP version should not be seen on JPSS-1.
 - Upgrade the ATMS to all-sky assimilation as part of this upgrade or in the near future.

Plans for the assimilation of JPSS-1 Data: CrIS

For JPSS-1 we plan to receive the full FSR spectrum at NCEP – allowing us to be more flexible in our channel selection.

- We aim to use more of the 15 μ m CO₂ band channels than is possible with the current selection.
- We will also make use of channels from the water vapor band.

A channel selection for NWP has also been produced with Antonia Gambacorta of NOAA-NESDIS

- We consulted widely in the NWP community on this channel selection (mostly through the ITSC NWP Working Group)
- This channel selection is suggested for direct broadcast and GTS distribution as well as being the default subset being distributed by NESDIS (the full spectrum is also being distributed).

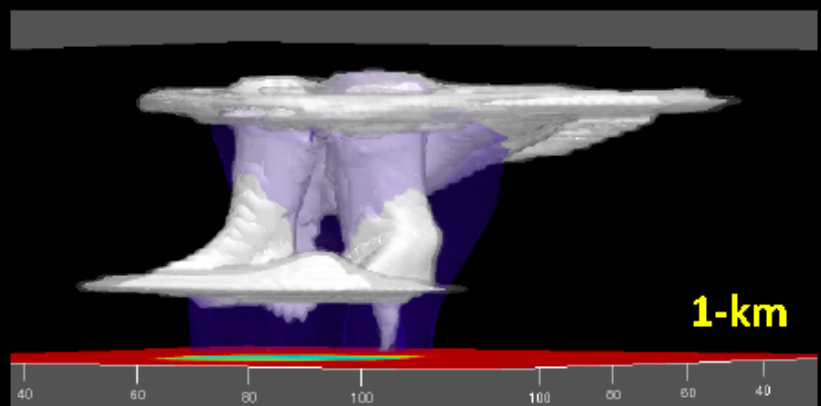
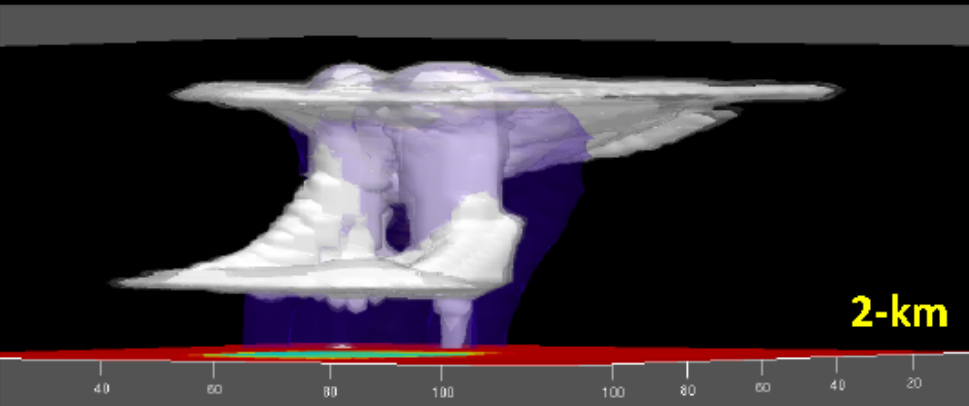
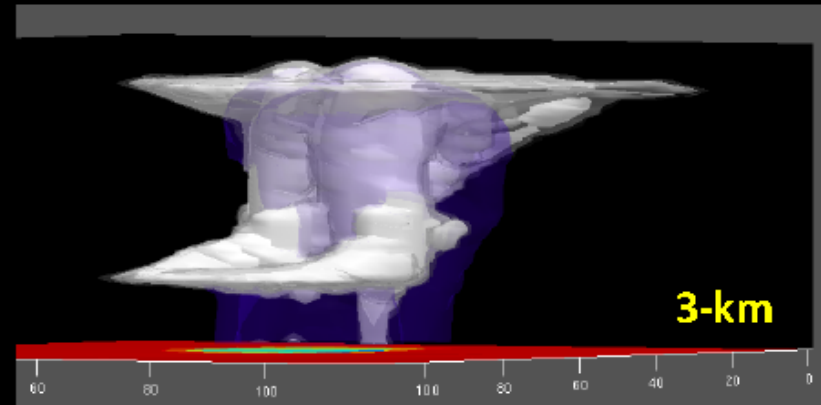
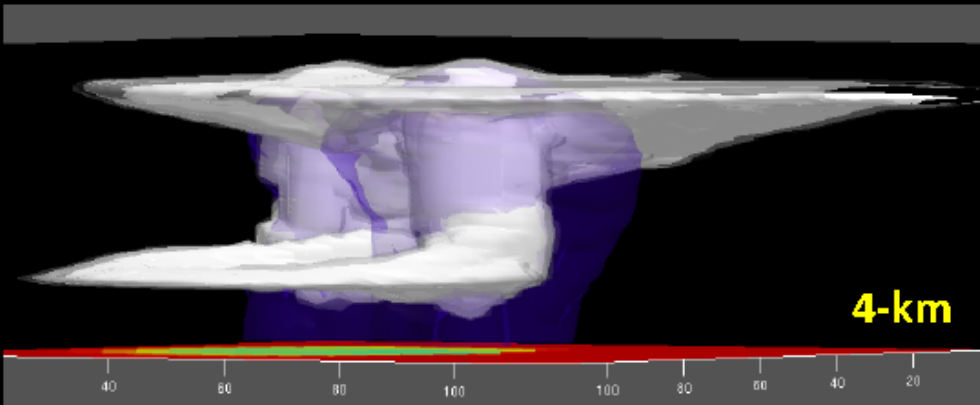
Plans for the assimilation of JPSS-1 Data: OMPS-N

- Assimilation of data from the OMPS Nadir sounder from S-NPP will be tested once Version 8 retrieval products are delivered via the PDA.
- It is likely that both S-NPP and JPSS-1 OMPS data will be switched on in the JPSS implementation.

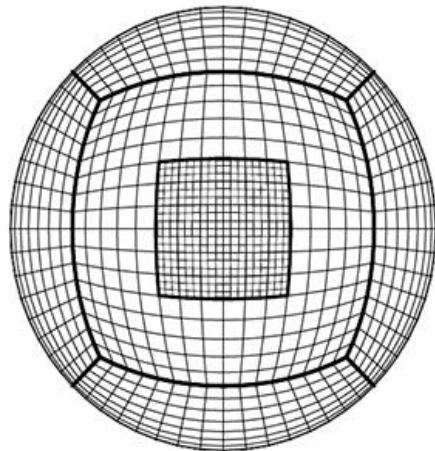
FV3 for convective allowing model and predictions

FV3 Grid refinement for higher-resolution convection allowing model forecasts

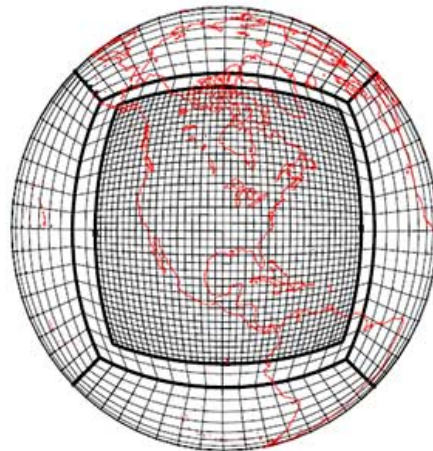
Simulations of tornado-producing super-cell storms with GFDL's variable-resolution FV³



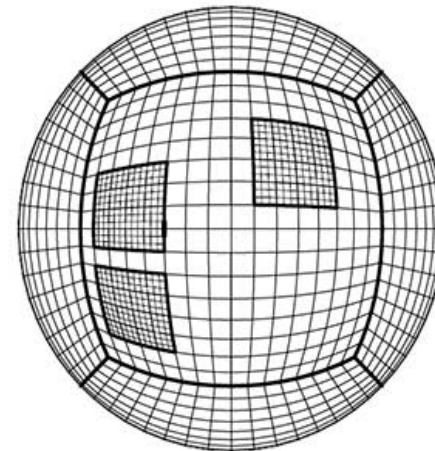
Tropical Cyclone Forecasts in FV3



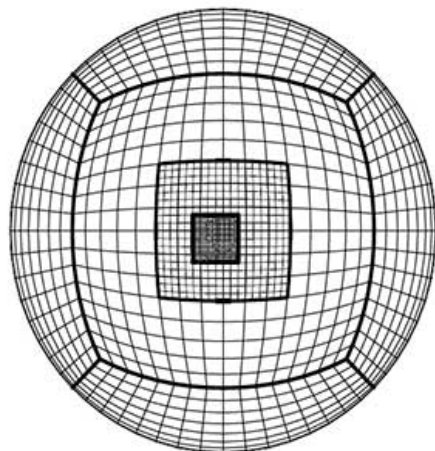
3:1 nested grid



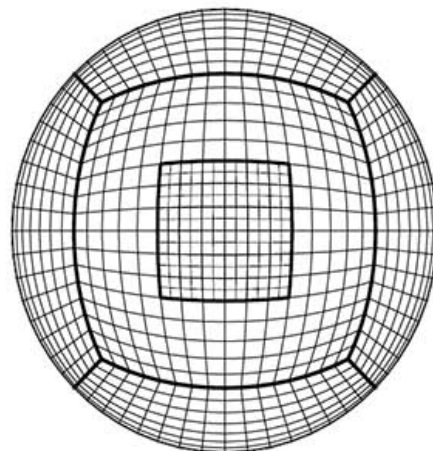
Large nest for RCMs



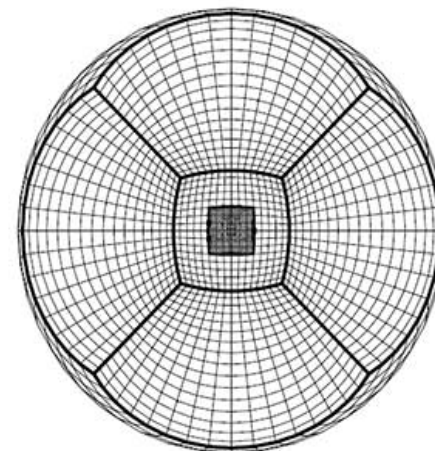
Multiple nests



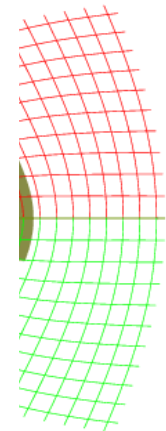
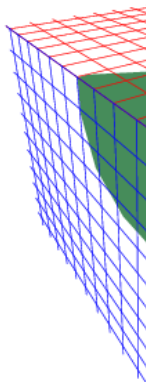
Telescoping nests



2:1 nested grid



Nest in stretched grid



Development of next generation nesting techniques to address the tropical cyclone forecast problem within the global model

fvGFS Design and setup for HWT

**fvGFS = FV³ + GFS Physics +
NOAH land model**

13-km global and 13 & 3-km

CONUS nest

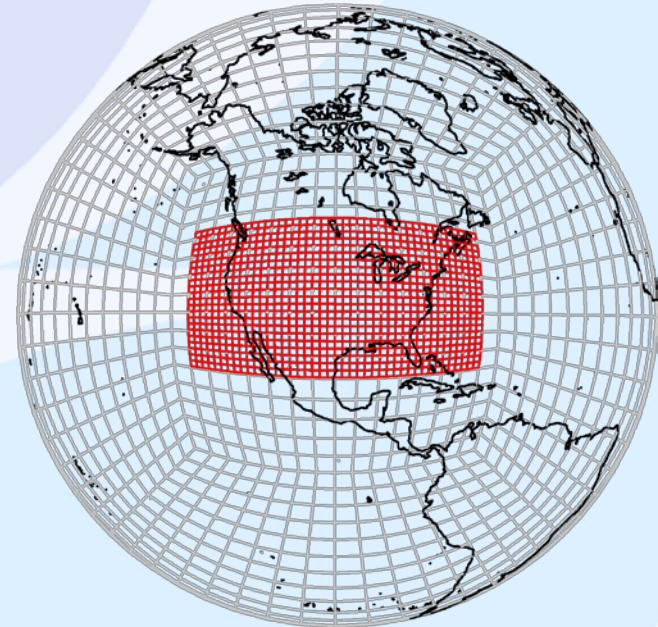
Replaces GFS Zhao-Carr with
six-category GFDL microphysics

Uses IPDv4 designed at GFDL:

Prepared for future physics
upgrades!

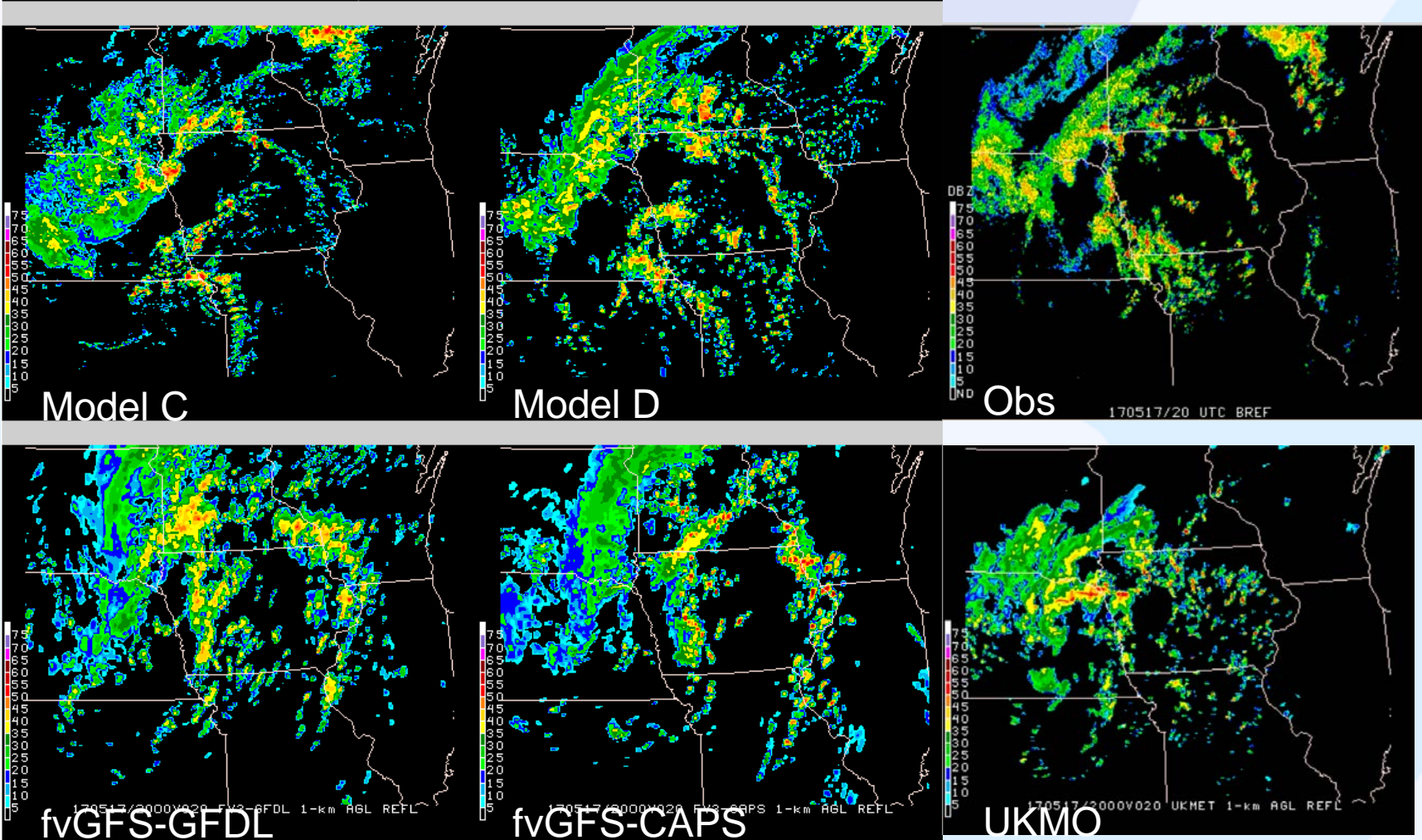
Model cold-started from GFS
analyses.

No regional initialization yet.



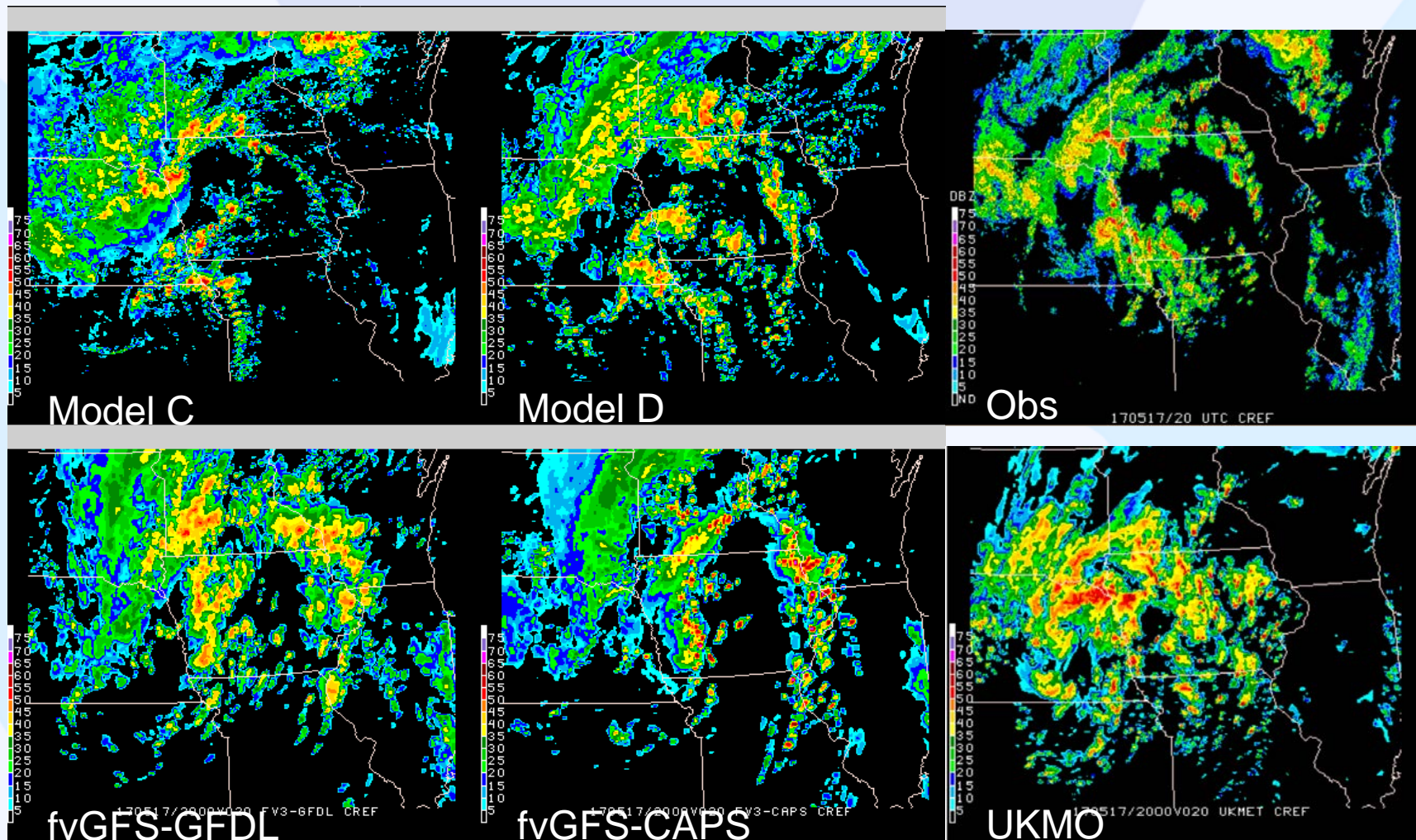
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FV3GFS As a Community Model: Version 0 Code Release 05/15/17

- **Configuration:** NEMS + FV3_CAP + FV3_Dycore + IPDv4 + GFS_Physics
 - Same model used for Phase-2 dycore comparison with upgrade of physics to Q3FY17 GFS configuration.
- **Resolution:** C96 (~100km), C384 (25km), C768 (~13km)
- **Build the model:** On WCOSS, THEIA and Jet, with pre-installed libraries and utilities.
- **Data:** Initial conditions for selected cases, and fixed fields
- **Release Date:** May 15, 2017
- **Method of Release:** VLab GIT; EMC Subversion
- **Running the model:** simple shell script and configuration files
- **Post Processing:** Fregrid and Remap tools to convert 6-tile model output to global lat-lon grid with user defined resolution

NOAA Virtual Lab (VLab) to host FV3GFS Code Release

➤ Access FV3GFS Project on VLab

<https://vlab.ncep.noaa.gov/web/fv3gfs>

➤ Code repositories set up on VLab GIT & EMC Subversion

➤ Community Wiki page, Forums and Developers Pages on VLab

➤ Case Studies:

Sept. 29, 2016 [Hurricane Matthew](#)

Jan. 18, 2016 [East Coast Blizzard](#)

Aug. 12, 2016 [Louisiana Flooding](#)

➤ Model Resolutions:

C96 (~100km), C382 (~25km) or C768 (~13km)

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FV3GFS - Home

FV3GFS Version 0 Release

Announcing the Version 0 Release of the FV3GFS!

NOAA users and external partners with NWS Virtual Lab access can view the release information, as well as other developmental details, in the FV3GFS Community.

NGGFS and FV3 Dynamic Core:

NOAA GFDL's Finite Volume Cubed Sphere (FV3) dynamical core was selected for the new NGGFS atmospheric model. FV3 dynamical core implementation includes incorporating FV3 into NEMS, and developing advanced physics and data assimilation techniques to match or exceed the skill of operational Global Forecast System (GFS). In addition, NWS is working with federal partners, universities, and the community to create a fully accessible community model.

NGGFS FV3-based Unified Modeling System will be a community guided system. Additional information can be found on the [Community Participation](#) page.

[Click here to view a 2016 FV3 Workshop presentation by the GFDL FV3 team.](#)

Documentation of FV3 Dynamic Core is available through various documents listed below:

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|-----|---|---|
| FV3 | A brief overview of the FV3 dynamical core | General description that is part of FV3 Documentation. |
| FV3 | A class of the van Leer-type Transport Schemes and its Application to the Moisture Transport in a General Circulation Model | Scientific Journal Article that is part of FV3 Documentation. |
| FV3 | A Control-Volume Model of the Compressible Euler Equations with a Vertical Lagrangian Coordinate | Scientific Journal Article that is part of FV3 Documentation. |
| FV3 | A finite-volume integration method for computing pressure gradient force in general vertical coordinates | Scientific Journal Article that is part of FV3 Documentation. |
| FV3 | An explicit flux-form semi-Lagrangian shallow-water model on the sphere | Scientific Journal Article that is part of FV3 Documentation. |
| FV3 | A Two-Way Nested Global-Regional Dynamical Core on the Cubed-Sphere Grid | Scientific Journal Article that is part of FV3 Documentation. |

How to access the FV3GFS Version 0 Release

NON-NOAA USERS

Users outside of NOAA will need to obtain a VLab External Partner Account. To get an external partner account please fill out the [FV3GFS External Partner Request Form](#)

NOAA USERS AND EXTERNAL PARTNERS

FV3GFS VLab community:

NOAA users and external partners with VLab access: 1) click "Sign In" on top right of this page, 2) once signed in click on "All Available Communities" in the "My Communities" portlet on the left side, 3) scroll down the list to find the "FV3GFS" community and 4) click "Join" next to the community. Then navigate to the community home page through your "My Communities" list at the top or by this link.

<https://vlab.ncep.noaa.gov/group/fv3gfs/>

FV3GFS Redmine & Git repository:

(access requested through form in FV3GFS VLab community)

<https://vlab.ncep.noaa.gov/redmine/projects/comfv3>

EMC SVN repository:

(users with pre-established access to EMC SVN server)

<https://svnmc.ncep.noaa.gov/trac/nems/>

Documents and Media Display

Release Version 0 Documents

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- Limited support from EMC to run FV3GFS forecast only experiments on WCOSS, Theia and Jet
- Unified Community Research and Operations Workflow (CROW) under development

Strategic Implementation Plan for Unified Modeling

Strategic Vision for Evolution of NGGPS to a National Unified Modeling System

- Unified Modeling based on FV3 – Short term implementation plans through FY20
- Evidence based decision making process
- Community engagement from the beginning
- Working groups met at NCWCP during April 17-19, and August 1-4 2017 to draft SIP Draft V1, first draft developed
- Leading to more detailed Strategic Plan and Road Map being developed by NWS STI in collaboration with partners & community

- **Governance**
- **System architecture**
- **Infrastructure**
- **Dynamics and Nesting (including hurricanes)**
- **Model physics**

- **Data assimilation**
- **Ensembles**
- **Post Processing**
- **Verification & Validation**
- **Convective allowing models**

NGGPS Goals and Objectives¹

Next Generation Global Prediction System (NGGPS)

Design/Develop/Implement the Next Generation Global Atmospheric Prediction Model

- Non-hydrostatic Scalable Dynamics
- Accelerated Physics Improvement Profile

Improve Data Assimilation

Position NWS for Next Generation High Performance Computing (HPC)

Ultimate Goal: World's Best Global Forecast Guidance!

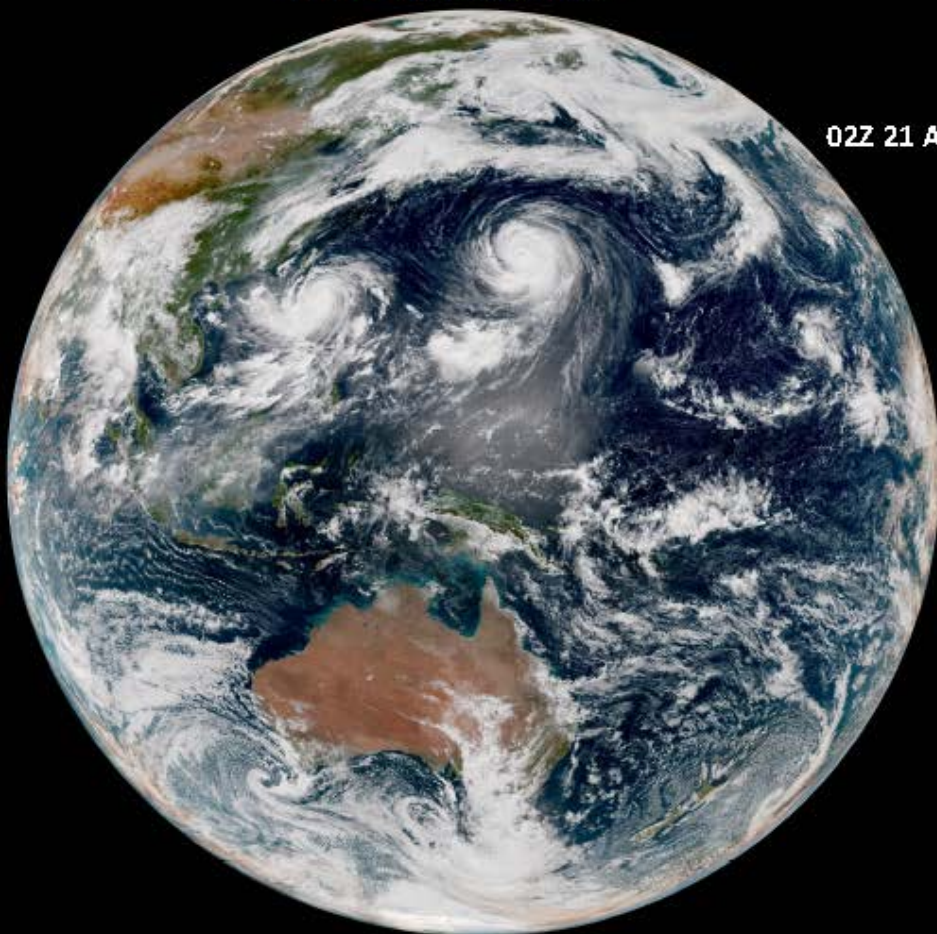
1 – From NWS Budget Initiative proposal to OMB

A glimpse into the future of NWP

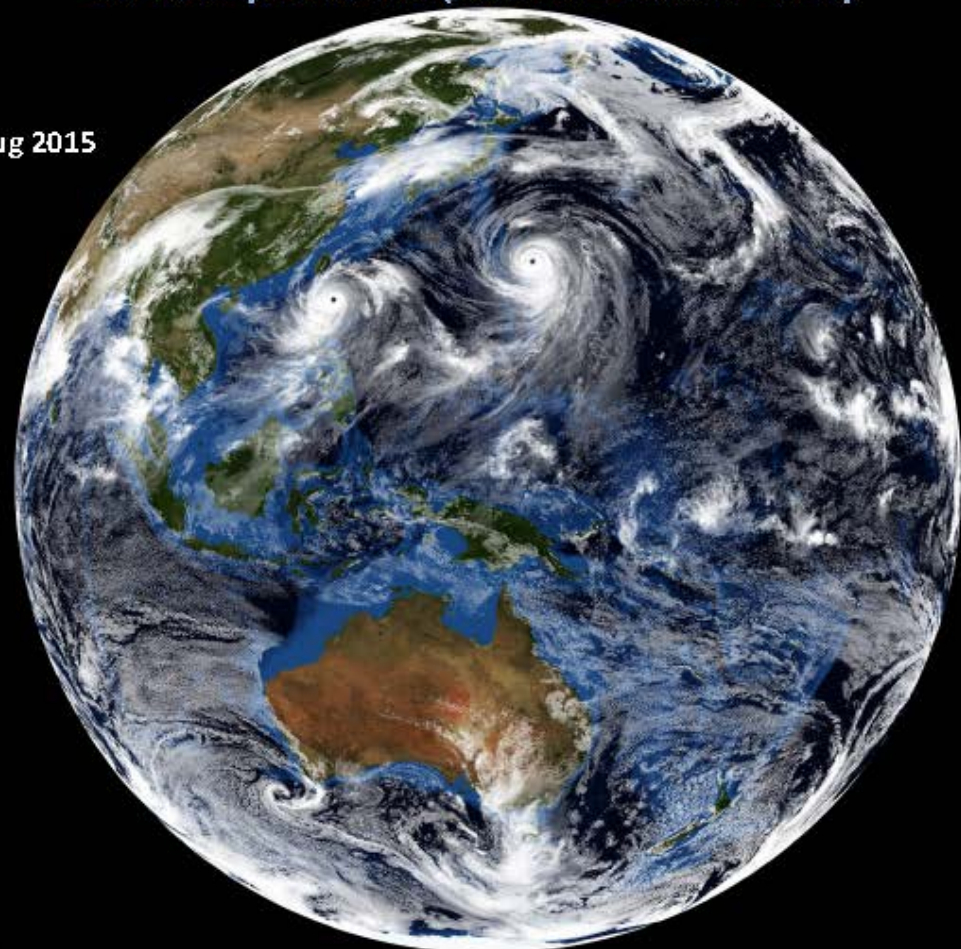
Global cloud-resolving prediction with FV3-powered NGGPS

Himawari Satellite

50-hour prediction (INIT: 00Z 19AUG 2015)



02Z 21 Aug 2015



Courtesy: SJ Lin, GFDL

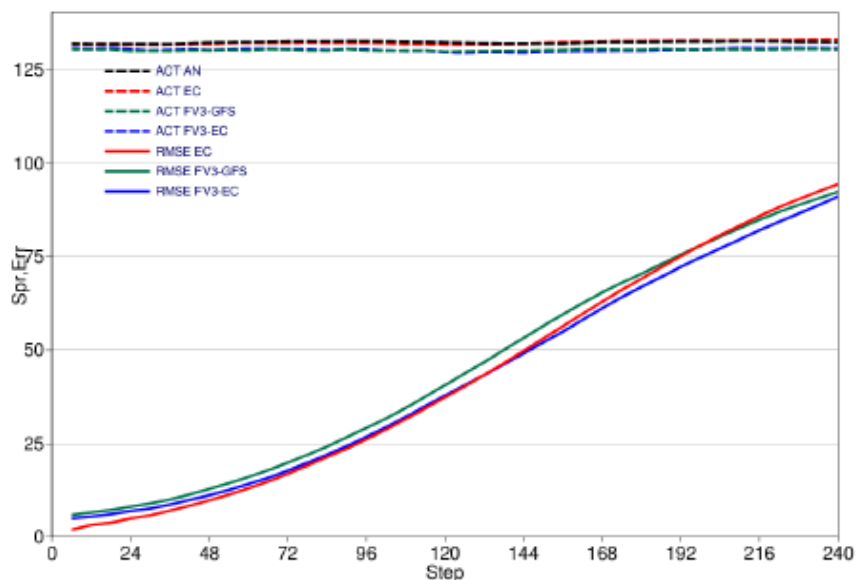
FV3 initialized with IFS IC (courtesy of Linus Magnusson, ECMWF)

Forecast skill of the 13-km FV3-GFS forecasts vs. operational ECMWF-IFS (9-km)

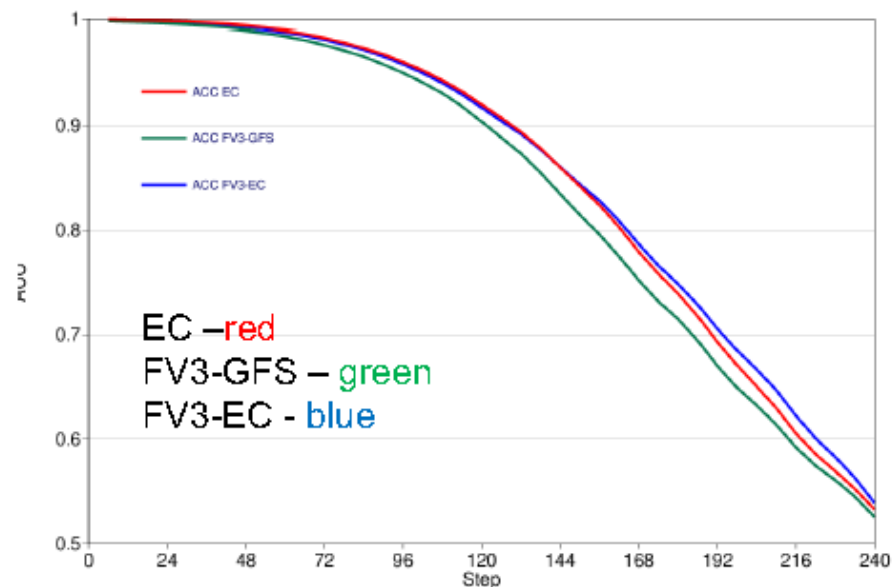
❖ August 2015 to August 2016, every 5th day = 73 cases

Scores for z500 N.Hem for all cases

RMSE and activity



ACC



(Courtesy of Linus Magnusson, ECMWF)

x Questions?