

Presentations about NWP in CMA

- **Numerical Weather Prediction Systems**
- **GRAPES_meso and its applications**
- **NWP products and service**
- **Research activities and future plan**

- *How to use GRAPES_meso*

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Numerical Weather Prediction Systems in CMA

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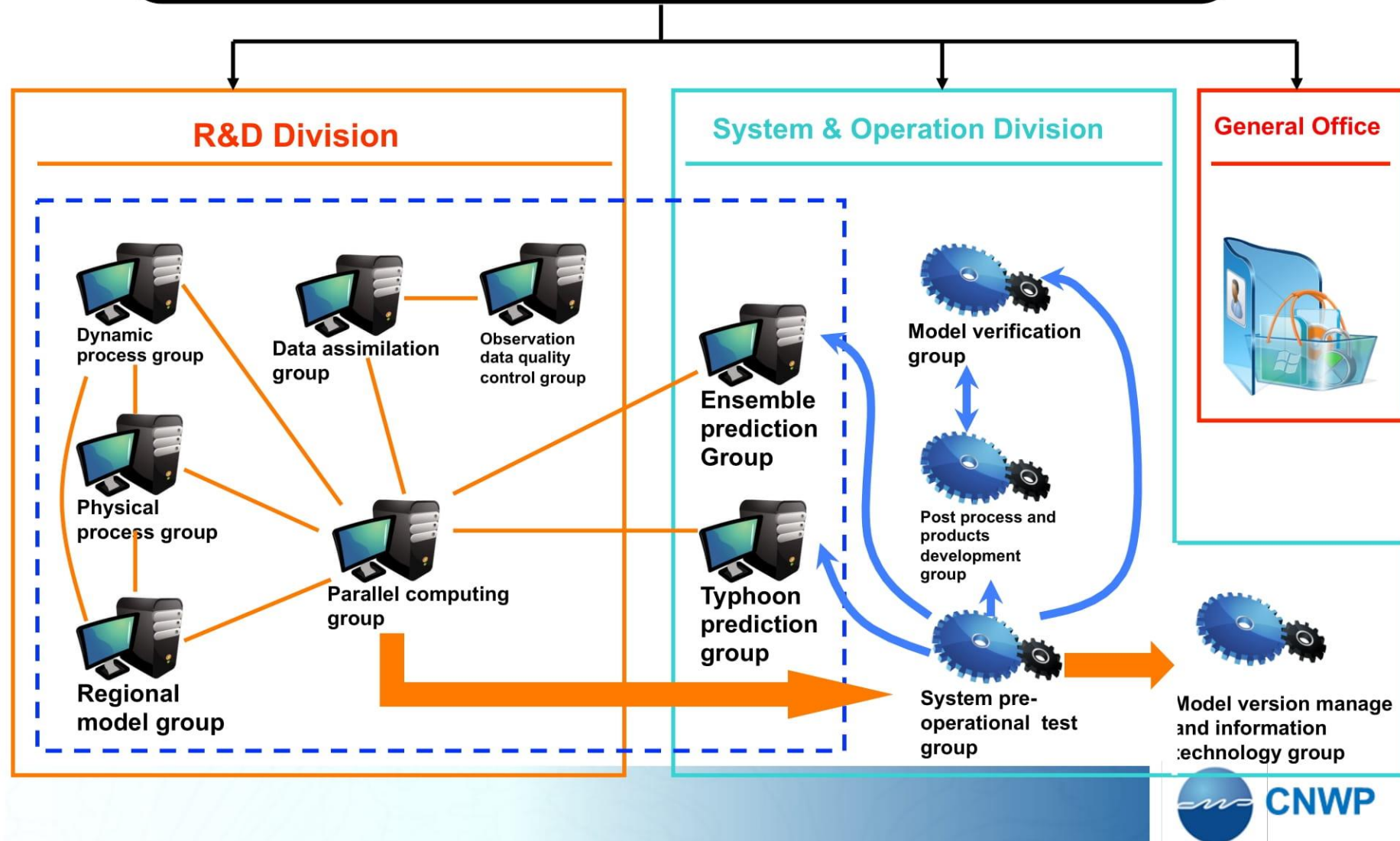
CMA Numerical Weather Prediction Center

- The Numerical Prediction Center (NPC) at CMA, founded on 28th April, 2010.
- Director: Dr. **WANG Jianjie**
- Deputy-director: Dr. GONG Jiandong and Dr. SHEN Xueshun
- Engineer general: Dr. CHEN Dehui
- **77** staffs

Major Responsibilities

- **Develop and improve numerical prediction systems**
- **Maintenance of operational numerical weather prediction systems**

Numerical Weather Prediction Center at CMA (NWPC)



NWPC stuffs

Total FTEs: 77
(by 30 July 2012)

EDUCATION:

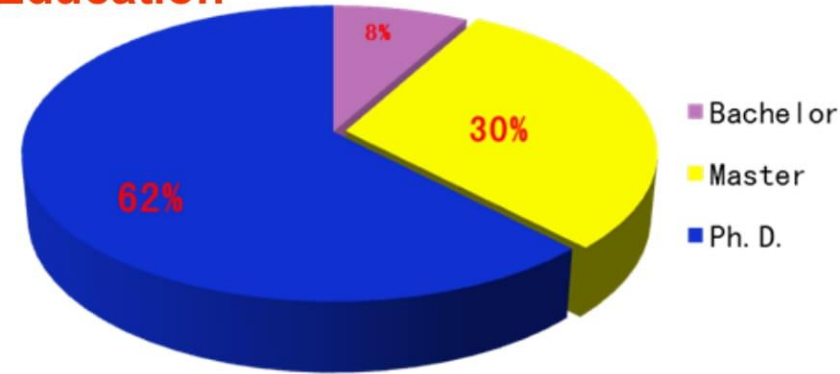
47 with Doctor Degree,
23 with Master Degree
and 7 with Bachelor, >
95% staffs are
undertaking the
research and operation
tasks.

Age Distribution

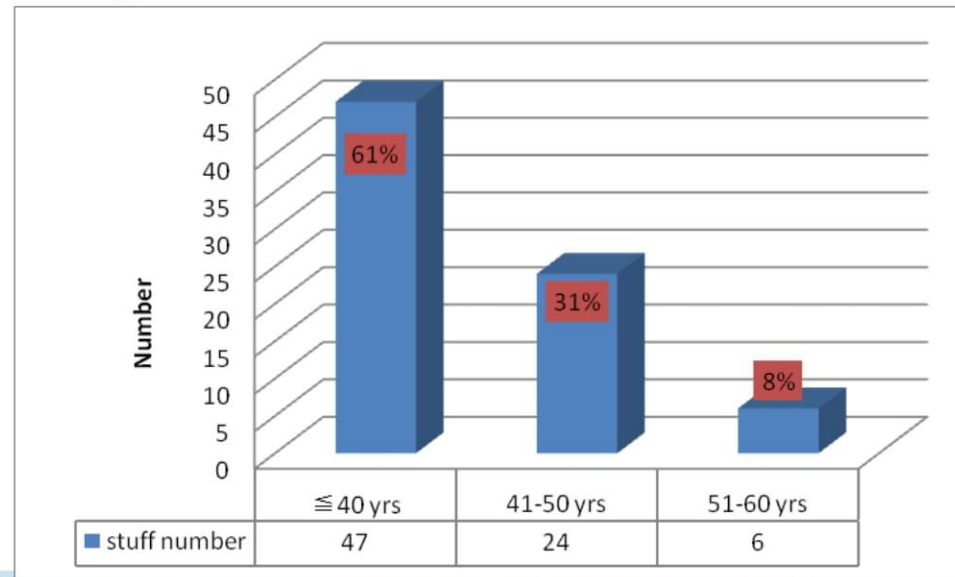
Over 60% of stuff are
below 40 years age

20+ Senior scientists

Education



Age distribution



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Operational NWP systems

- Overview of the NWP systems
- Global
- Regional
- TC track and intensity
- EPS
- Supercomputer

Components of an operational numerical model system

Meteorology/Ocean observation data read-in and preprocessing



Observations



Data assimilation to digest data, generate initial condition for model



Numerical model time integration, forecasting



Post-processing to generate products in pressure level and surface



Numerical products interpretation



Numerical products distribution to users

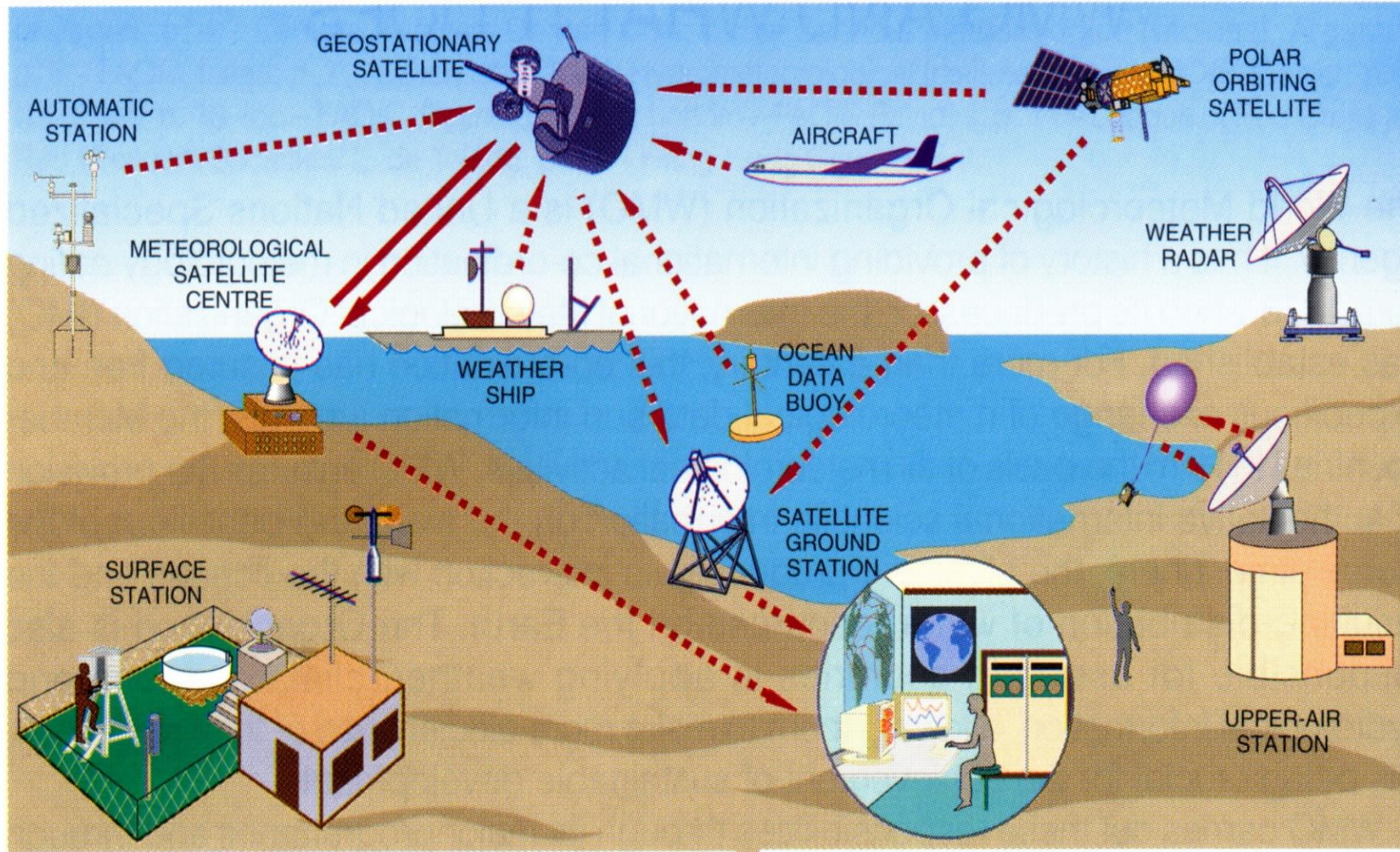


Products



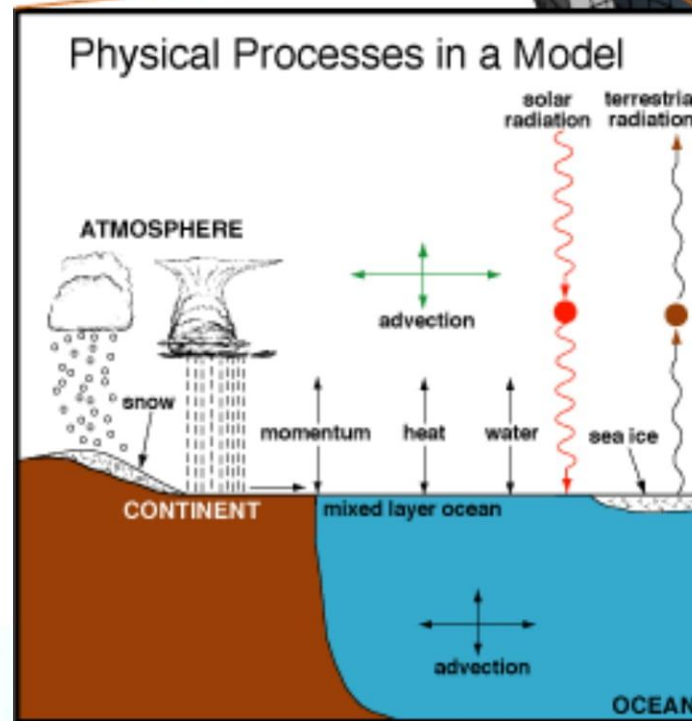
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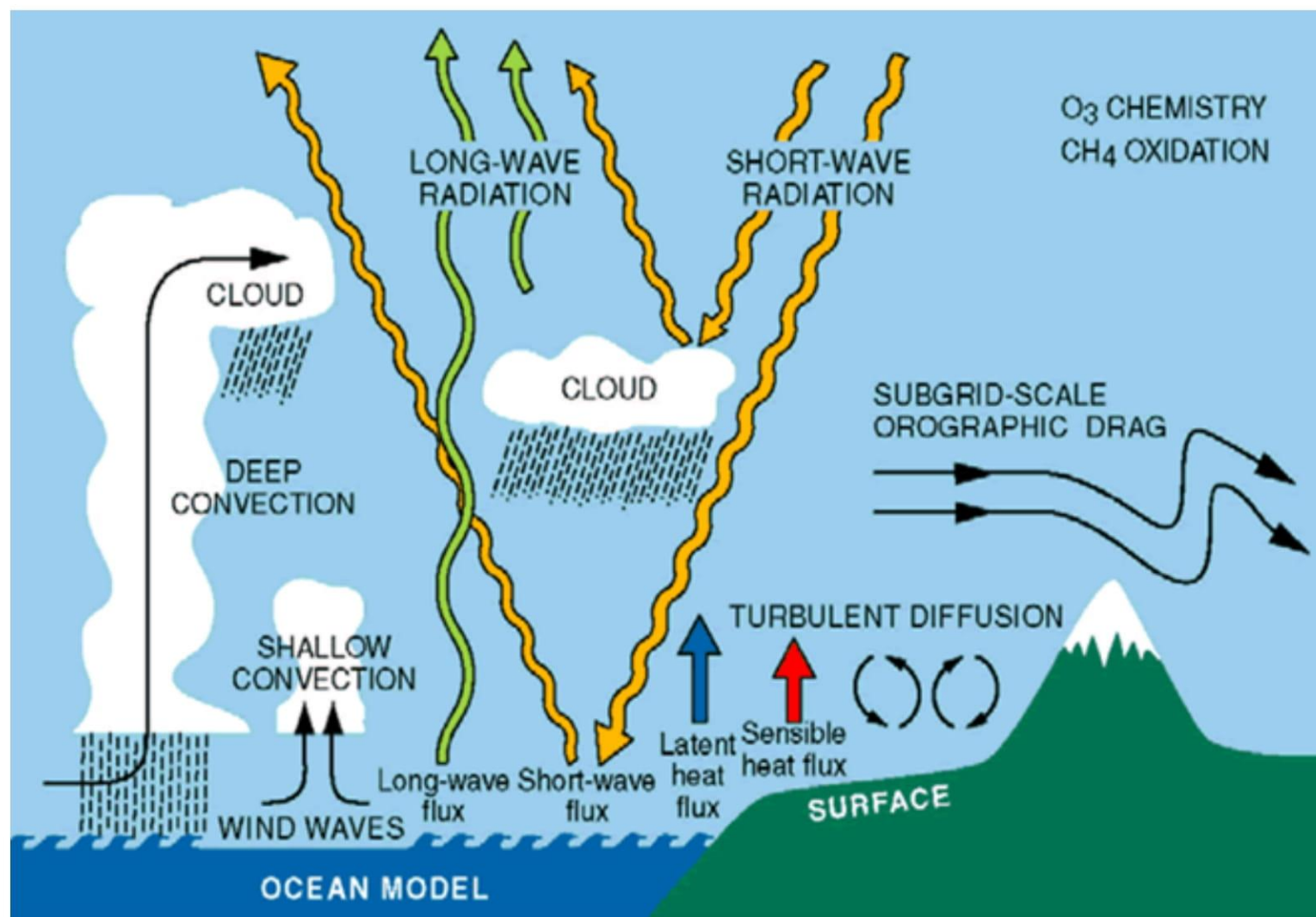
Meteorology comprehensive observation systems



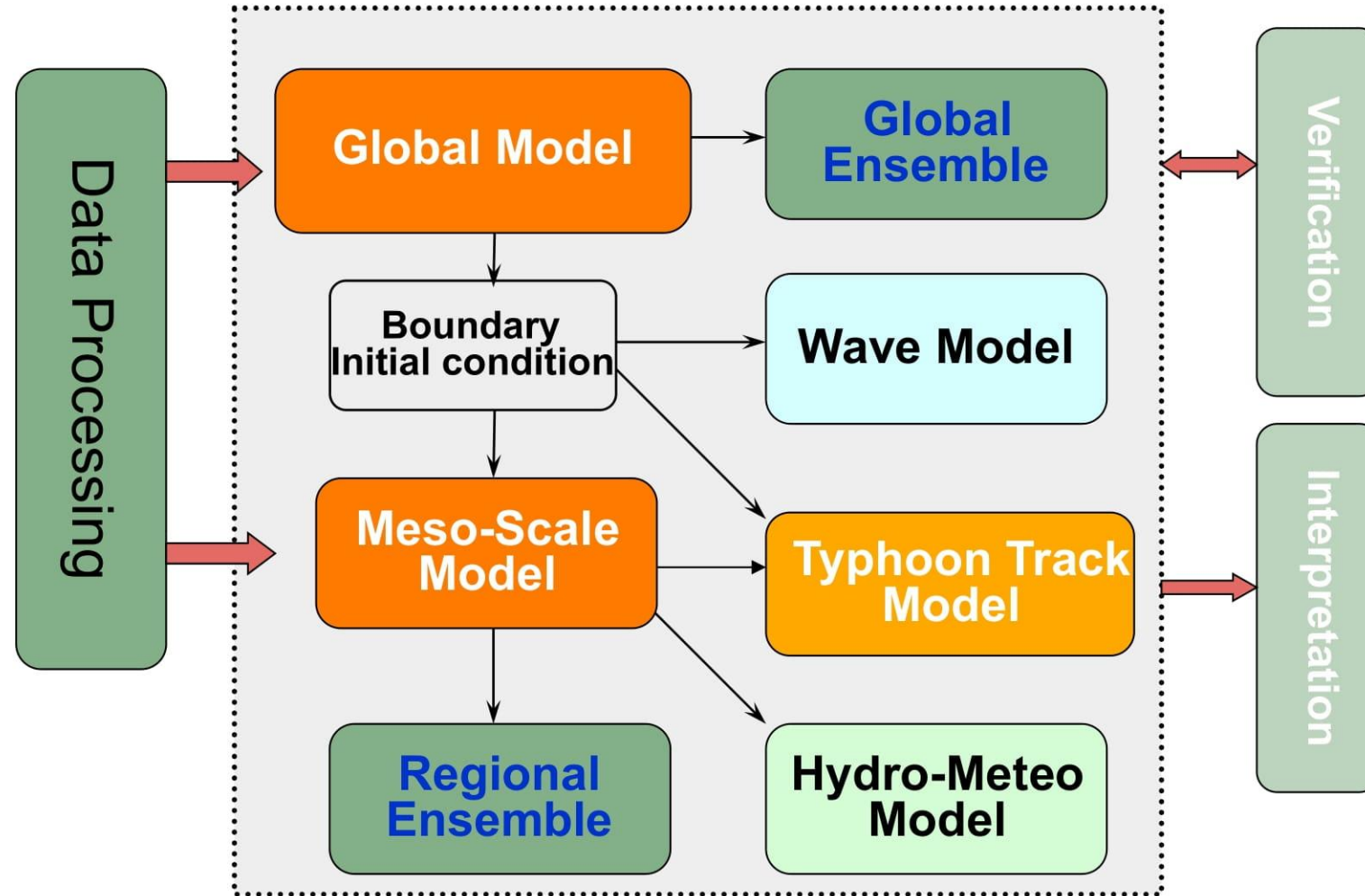
Horizontal Grid
(Latitude-Longitude)

Vertical Grid
(Height or Pressure)

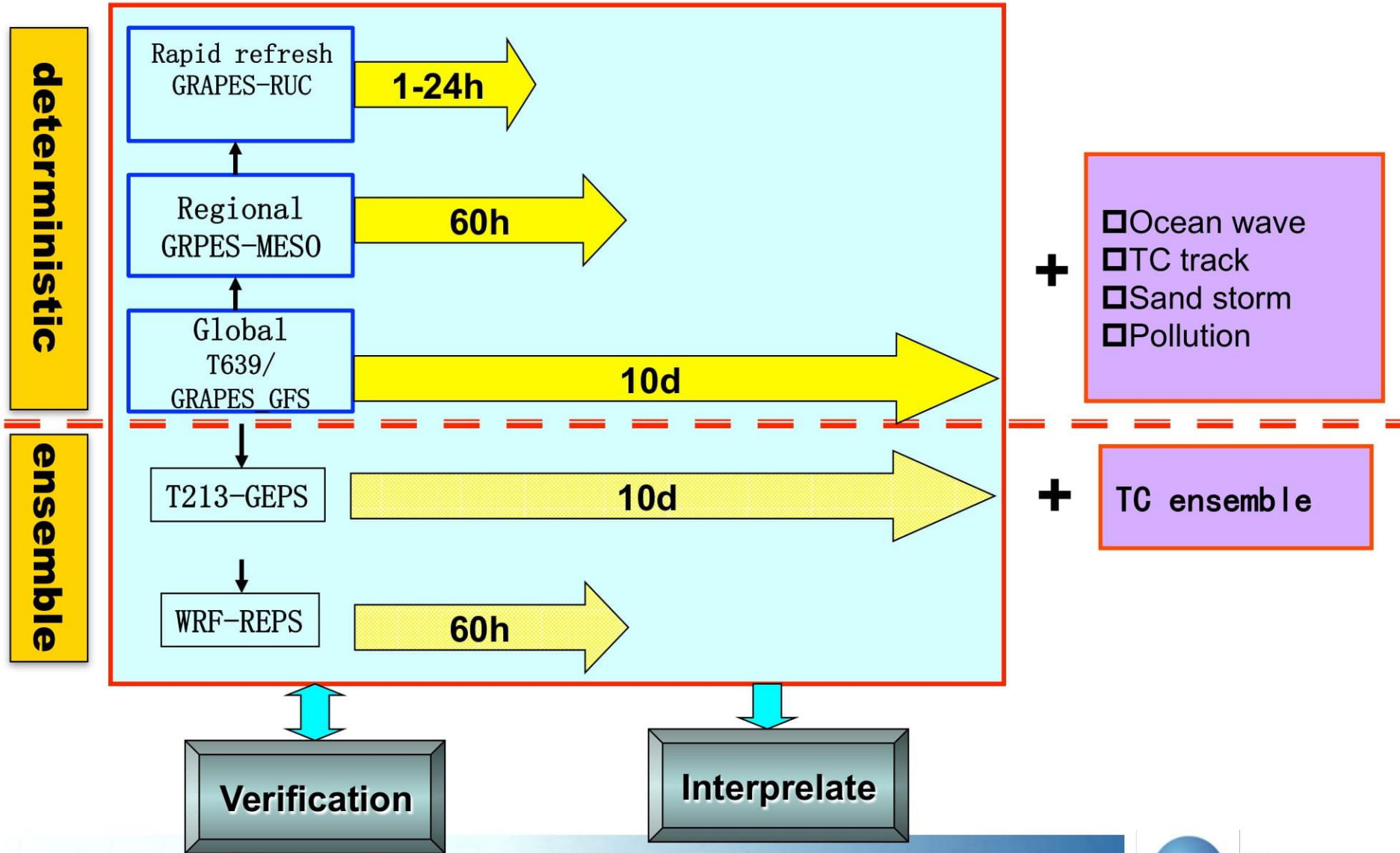




Structure of NWP Systems



NWP systems in CMA



Operational NWP Systems in CMA

- **Basic Operational Systems: (operational date)**

- Global -3DVAR & Global Medium Range Forecast System (T639L60, 3DVAR, 2008.5, ATOVS>30%)
- Meso-scale Forecast System (GRAPES-MESO v3.0 2010.6)
- Regional Rapid Analysis and Forecast System (GRAPES_RAFS, 2010.5)
- Global Ensemble Prediction System (T213L31-GEPS, 60km, 2006.12)
- Regional Ensemble Prediction System (WRF-REPS, 15km, 2011.5)
- Global Typhoon Track Prediction System (T213-GTTP, 2006.1)
- Regional Typhoon wind-rain prediction system (GRAPES_TYM, 2012.7)
- Numerical Model Verification System (198x, 199x)
- Numerical Model Operation Support System (SMS, 2006.1, MARS, 2009)

- **Basic Environment Prediction Systems:**

- Global/Regional/EPS Wave Forecast System (NMC-WAV, 2005.8)
- Regional Dust-Storm Prediction System (MM5/GRAPES, 2006.12)
- pollution transport and dispersion system (T213/WRF-HYSPLIT4, 2001.9, 2008.4)
- UVI prediction System (T213-SUV, 2004.6)
- Forest-Fire Alert System (T213-FIRE, 2004.6)
- Weather Modification Supporting System (GRAPES, 2007)

Current major operational NWP systems

	Global Spectral Model (T _L 639L60)	Meso Scale Model (GRAPES_Meso)	10day Ensemble (T213L31)	Typhoon deterministic & Ensemble forecast
Forecast range	Medium-range (10day)	Rainfall forecast Short-range forecast	10day forecast	Typhoon forecast
Forecast domain	Global	East Asia (8340km x 5480km)	Global	
Horizontal resolution	T _L 639(0.28125 deg)	15km	T213(0.5625 deg)	
Vertical levels / Top	60 0.1 hPa	31 10hPa	31 10 hPa	
Forecast Hours (Initial time)	240 hours (00, 12 UTC) 84 hours (06, 18UTC)	72 hours (00, 12UTC)	240 hours (00、12 UTC) 15 members	120 hours (00, 06, 12, 18 UTC) 120 hours (00、12 UTC) 15 members
Initial Condition	Global Analysis (NCEP GSI)	GRAPES 3DVAR	NCEP SSI + Vortex relocation and Intensity adjustment with ensemble perturbations Perturbations are produced by Breeding-method	

Current Operational NWP System

Introduced spectral model

Main production system

- GLB 10-day deterministic:
 - T639L60
- Global ensemble forecast:
 - T213L31
- Global Typhoon forecast:
 - T213L31

Data assimilation: GSI

CMA-developed GRAPES

- GLB 10-day deterministic:
 - GRAPES_GFS 50km
- Parallel run vs. T639
- Meso-scale :
 - GRAPES_Meso 15km
- WP Typhoon forecast:
 - GRAPES_TYM 15km
- Rapid update:
 - GRAPES_RAFS 15km

Data assimilation:
GRAPES_3DVAR

Thanks ECMWF & NCEP !

T639 — CMA's GFS

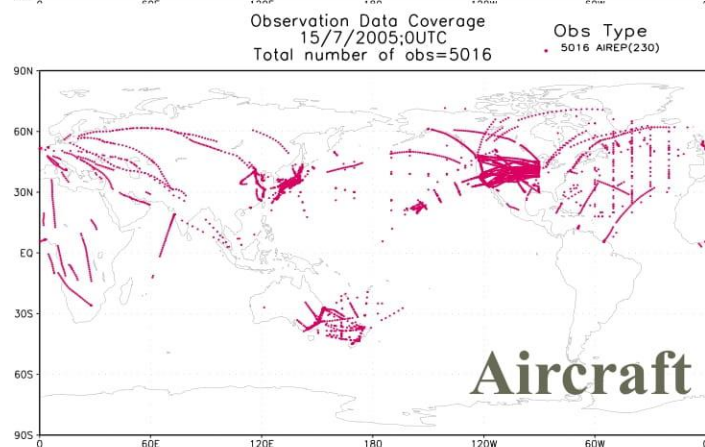
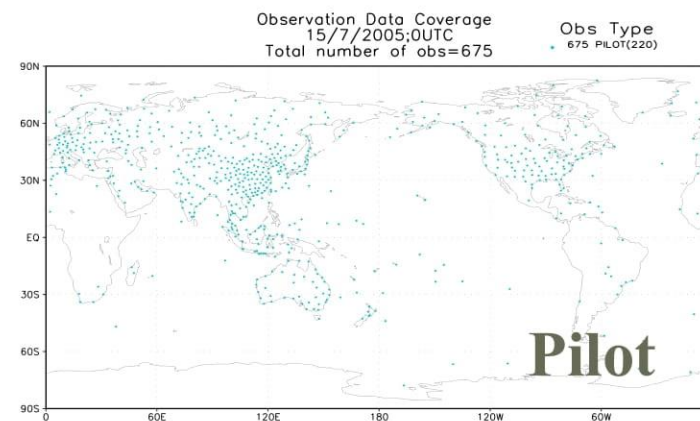
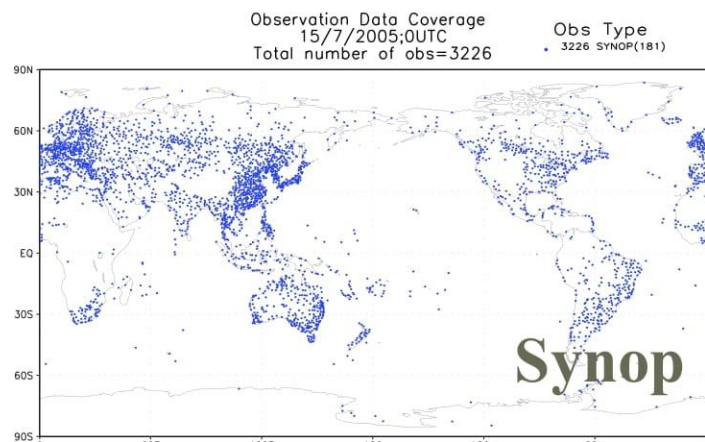
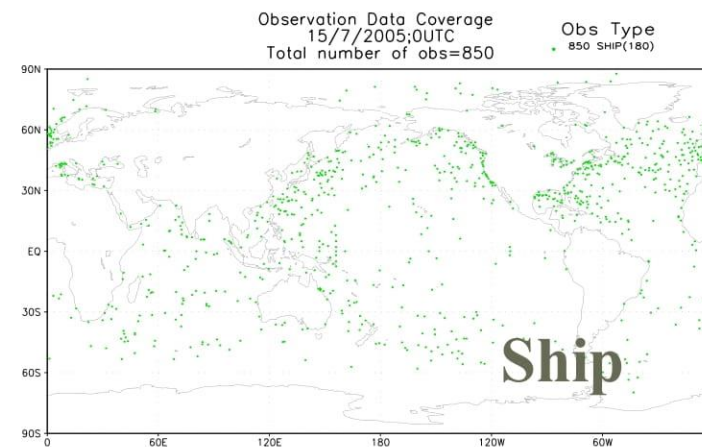
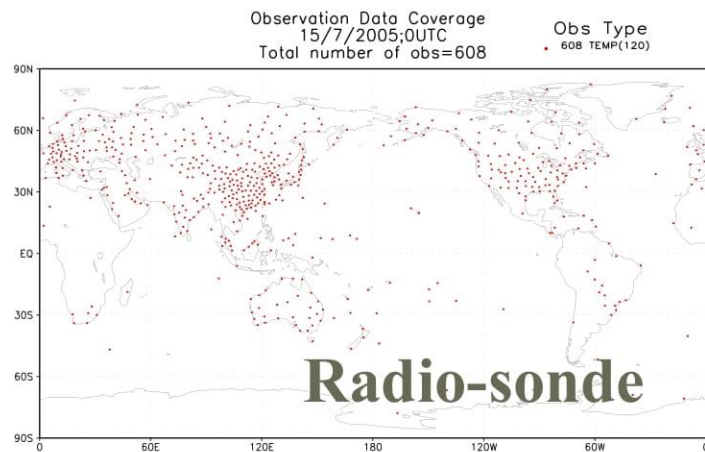
- Forecasting of large-scale circulation situation for 1 to 10 days ahead, such as large-scale rainfall , upper trough, Subtropical high pressure, surface high- and low- pressure, cold and warm frontal, large area of rain etc.
- Provide 3hr interval forecasting products to 120hrs
- Provide most products according to the requirement of forecasting and serving
- Provide products for driving meso/regional model in NWPC and 8 regional meteorological centers of CMA
- Provide products for driving environment prediction systems in NWPC
 - Global Wave (NCEP WAVEWATCH III)
 - Nuclear Pollution transport and dispersion model system(HYSPLIT4)
 - Regional Dust-Storm Prediction System
 - UV-I ,Forest fire-Alert etc. special systems

DA

- **NCEP-GSI**
- **Background error tuning**
- **NOAA 15/16/18 ATOVS 1b data**

Model

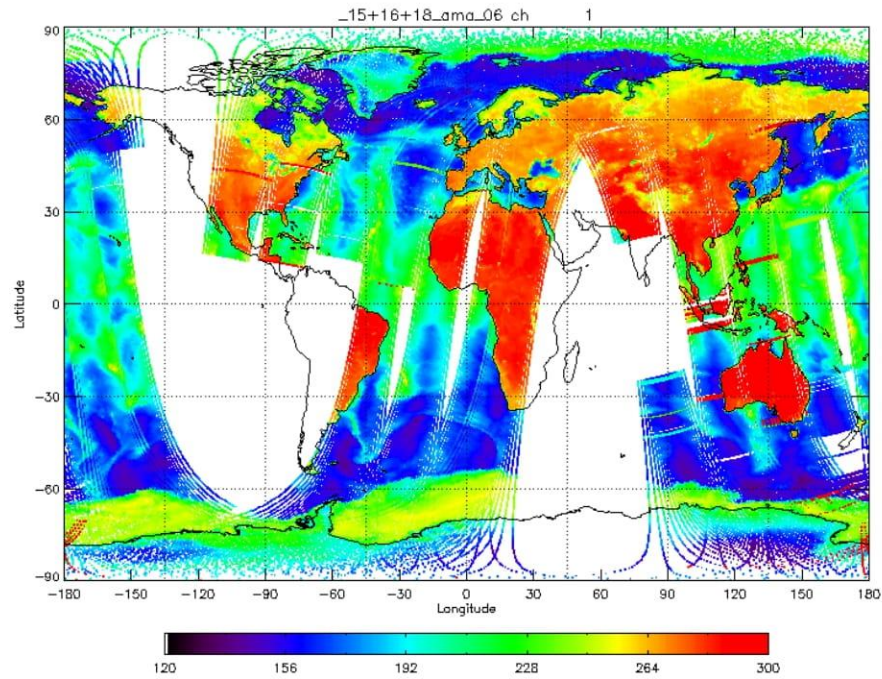
- triangular truncation, resolving 639 waves around a great circle on the globe; 60 levels (up to 0.1 hPa).
- Semi-lagrangian, semi-implicit temporal integration, time step 10 minutes.
- use of a reduced Gaussian grid.
- Hydrostatic.
- Fourth order linear horizontal diffusion
- Full physics package



Conventional
observations

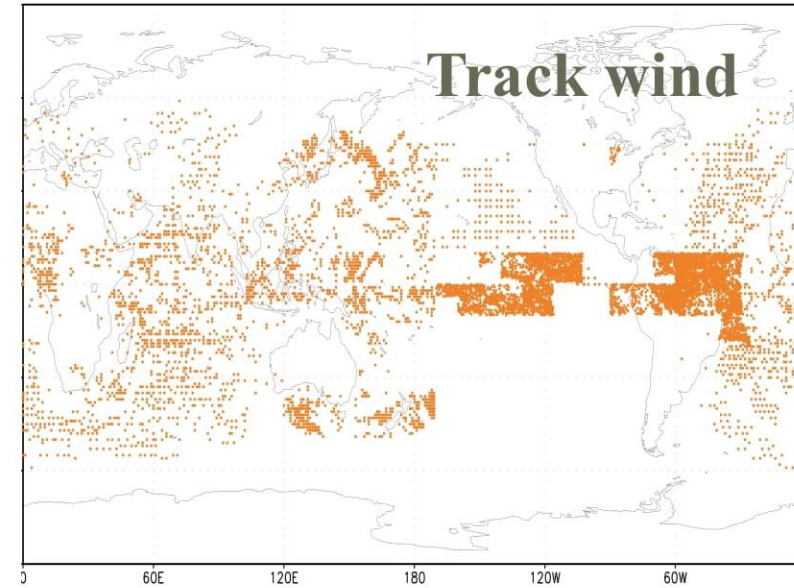


AMSU-A n15,16,18

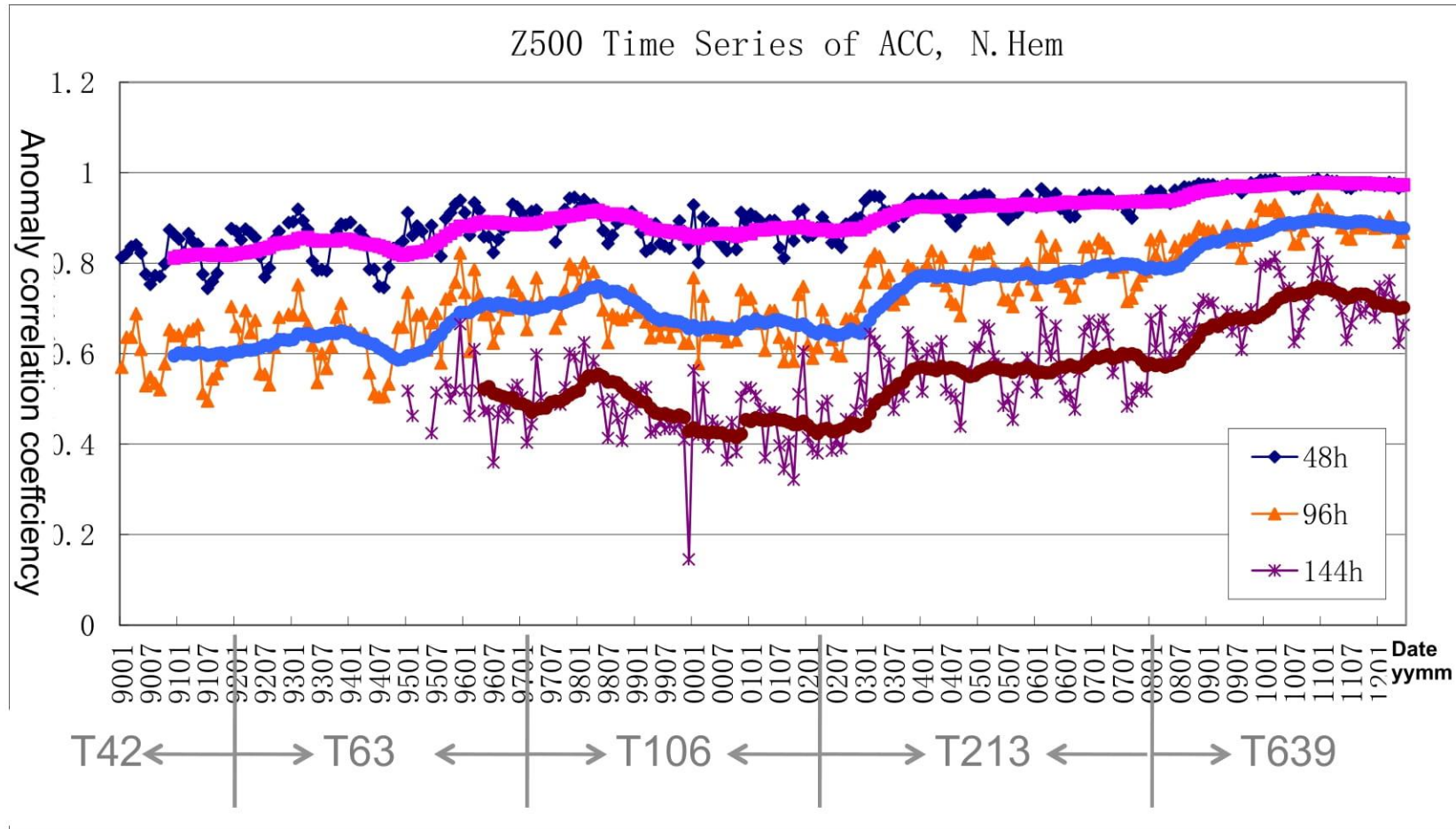


Observation Data Coverage
15/7/2005;UTC
Total number of obs=7889

Obs Type
7889 SAT08(250)

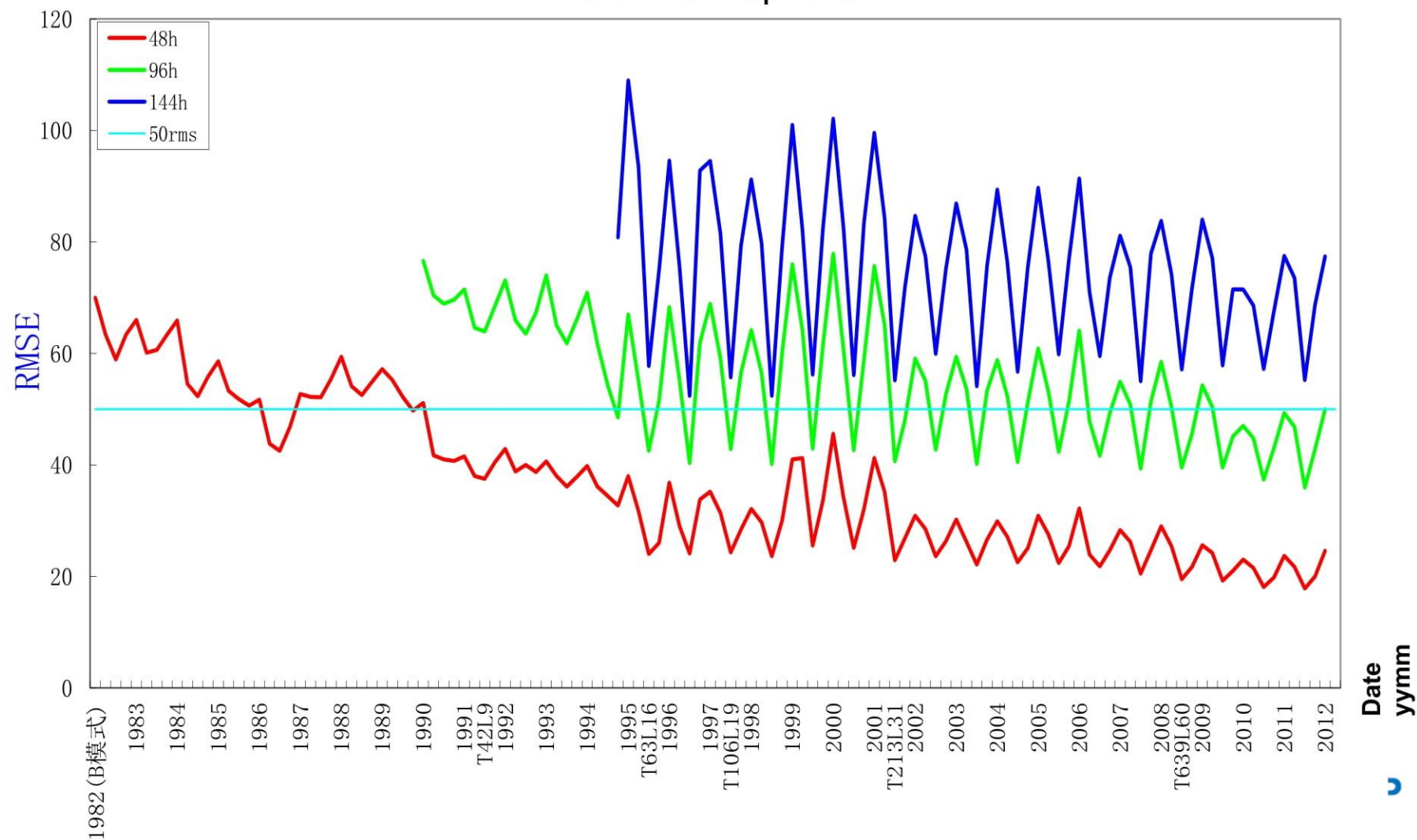


Performance of NWP in history: Global Model



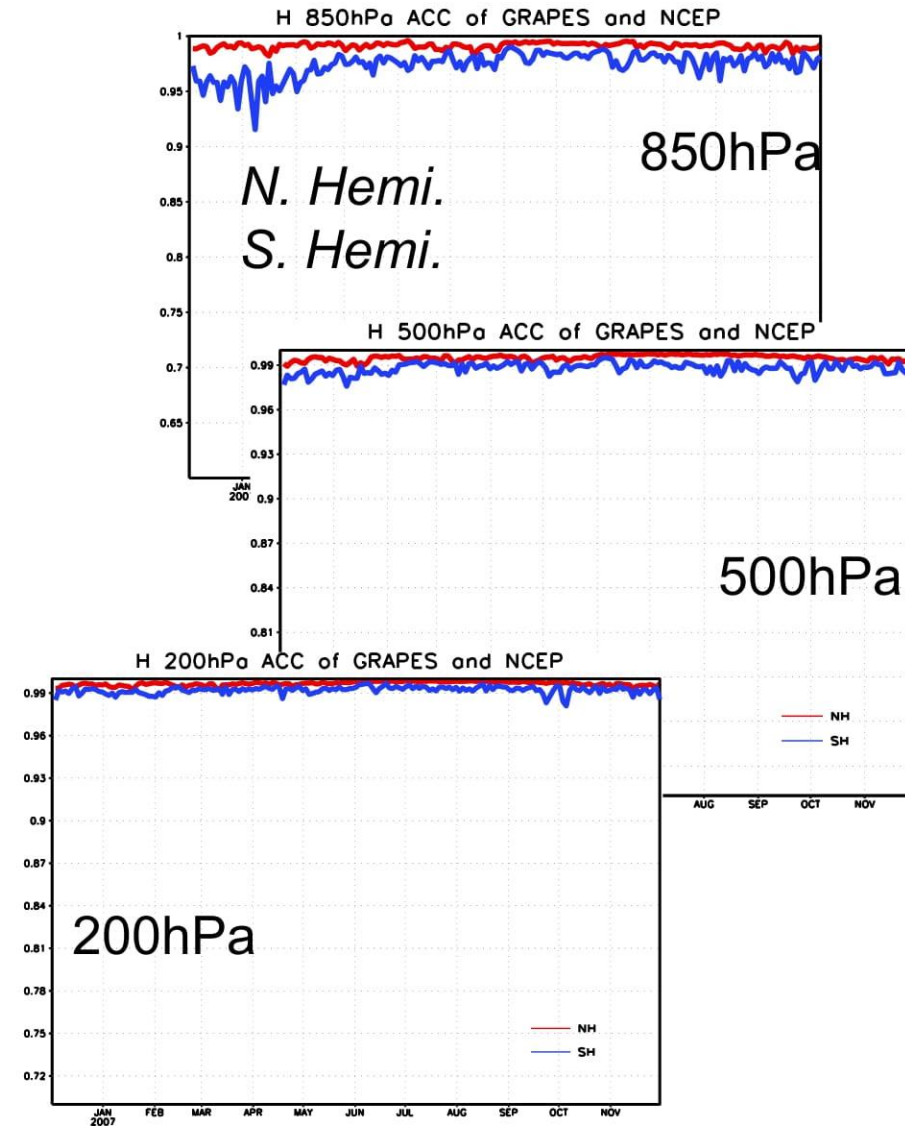
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Z500 time series of RMSE
in North Hemisphere



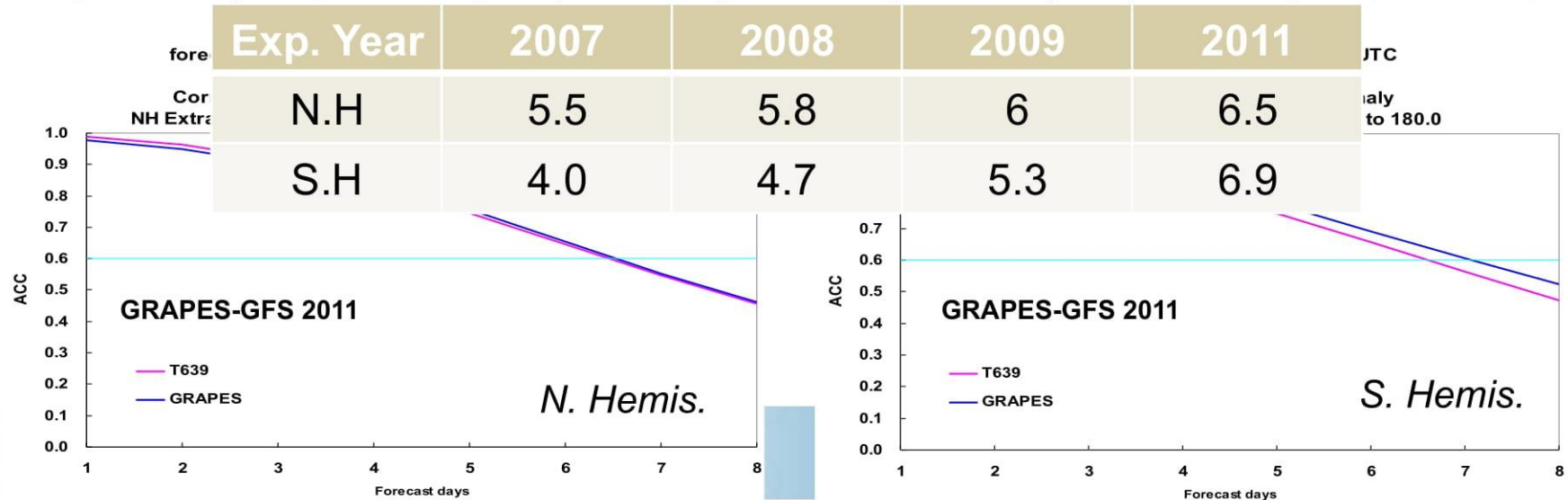
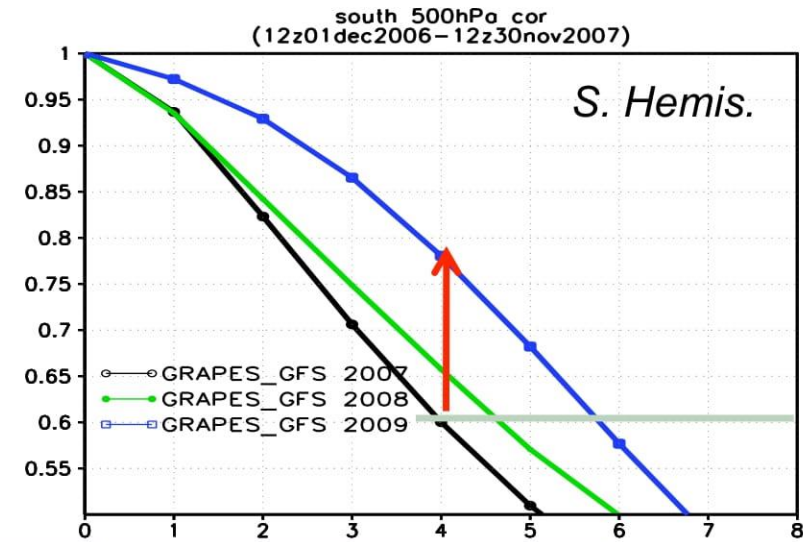
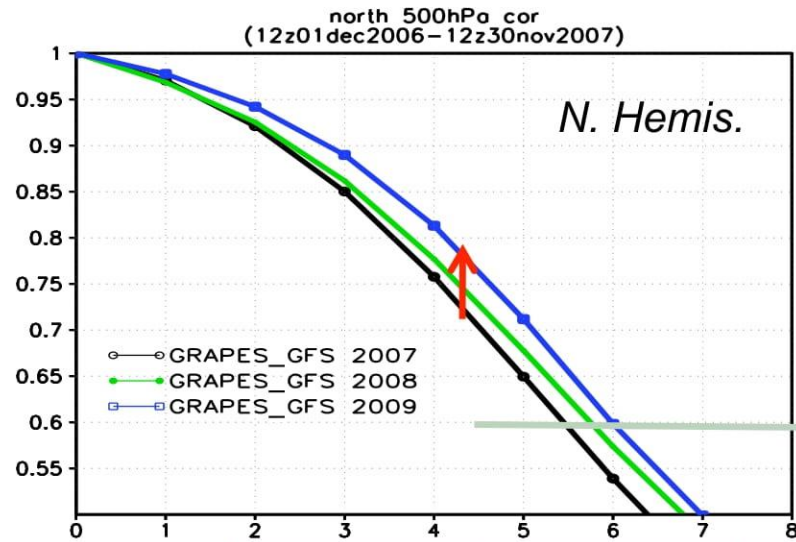
GRAPES_GFS

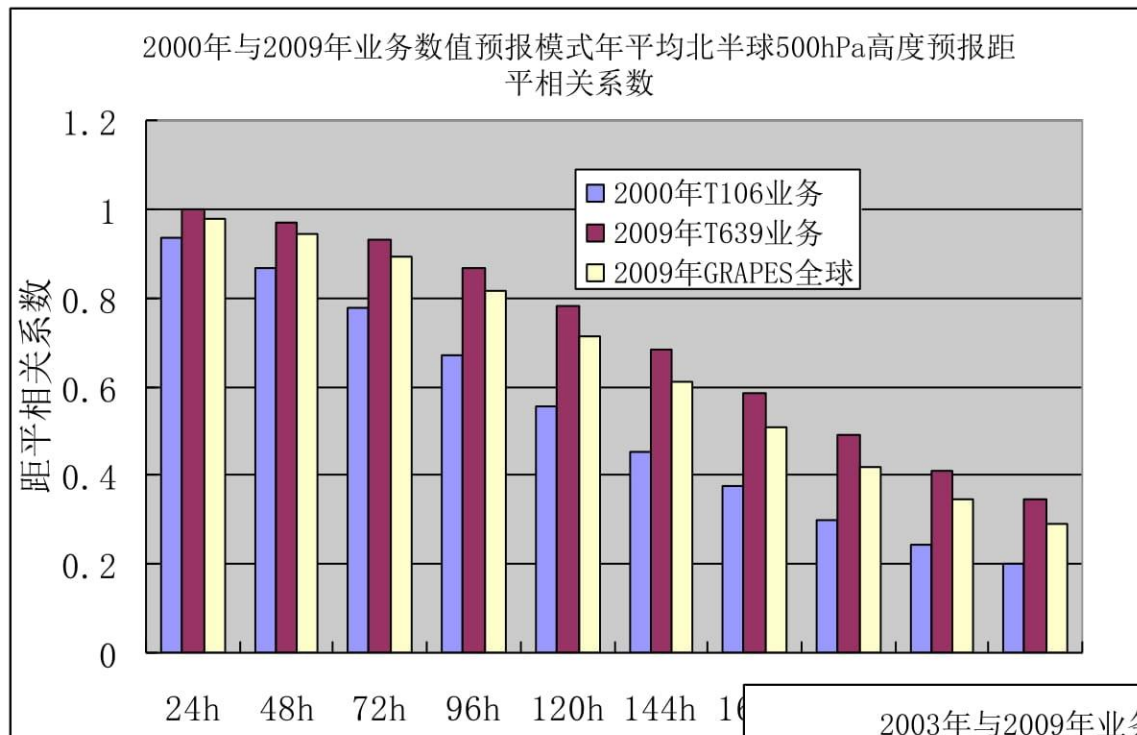
- GRAPES_Global
 - 0.5x0.5 Degree
 - L36 with model top at 10hPa
 - 240 hour forecast
- GRAPES_3DVAR
 - 1.125x1.125 degree
 - 6-hourly cycle
 - Assimilated Obs.
 - GTS conventional data
 - NOAA15、16、17、18、19
 - FY-3 radiance
 - METEOSAT-9 & MTSAT AMV
 - MODIS polar AMV
 - COSMIC Refraction



Comparison between GRAPES and NCEP analysis

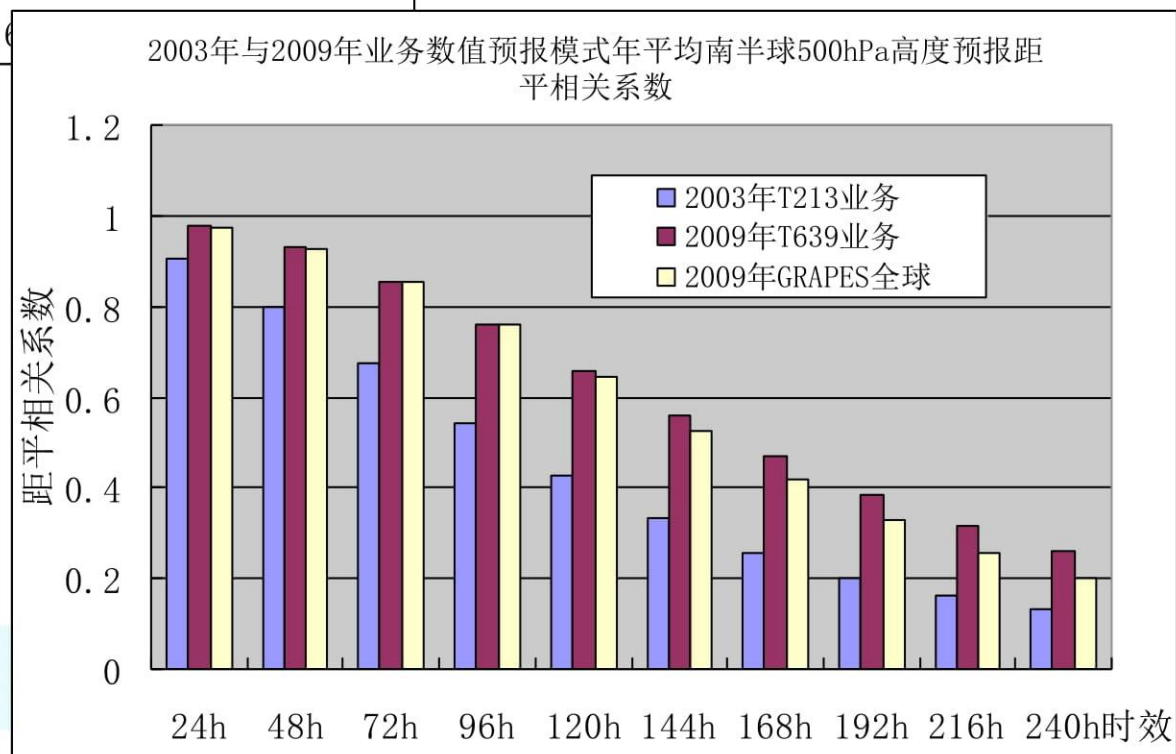
ACC (500 hPa HGT)



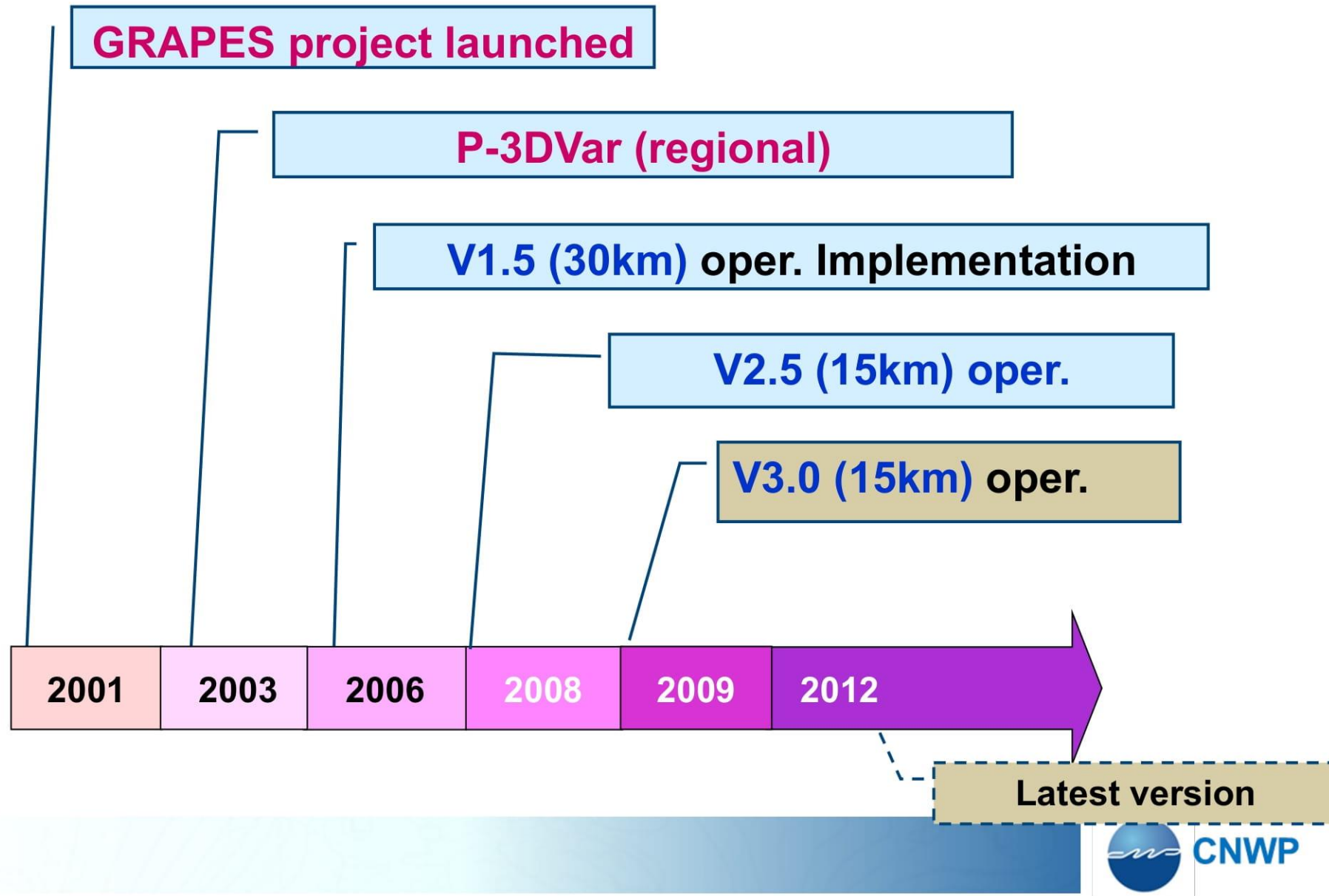


NH 500hPa ACC

SH 500hPa ACC

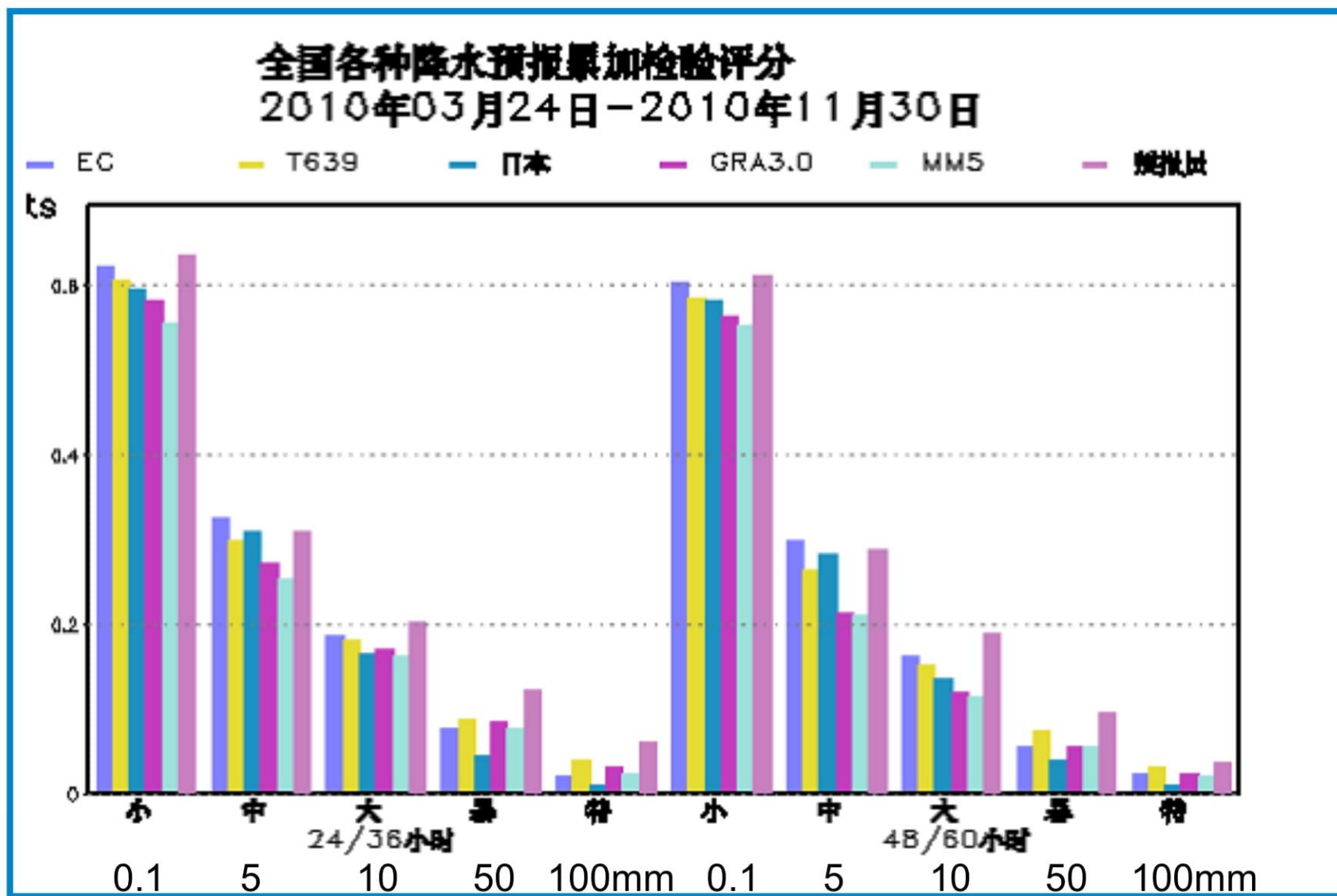


GRAPES_meso - regional prediction



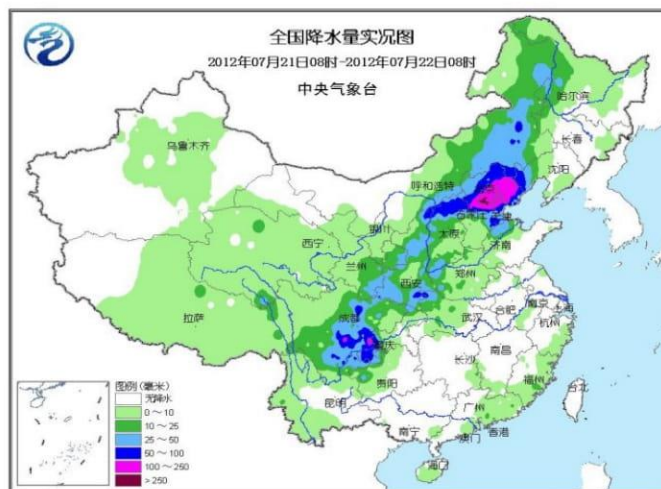
Precipitation forecast of GRAPES_Meso

Threat Score

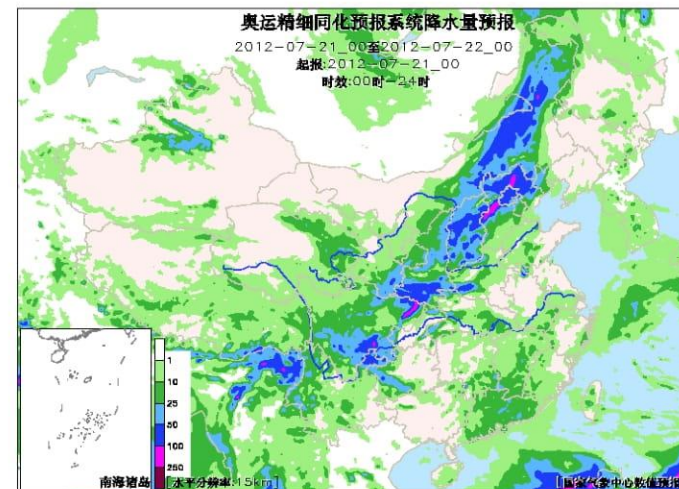


HR GRAPES_meso

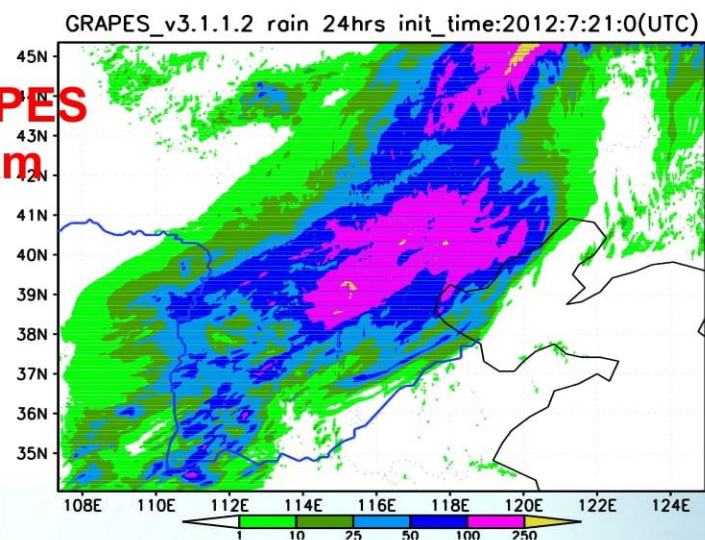
Obs



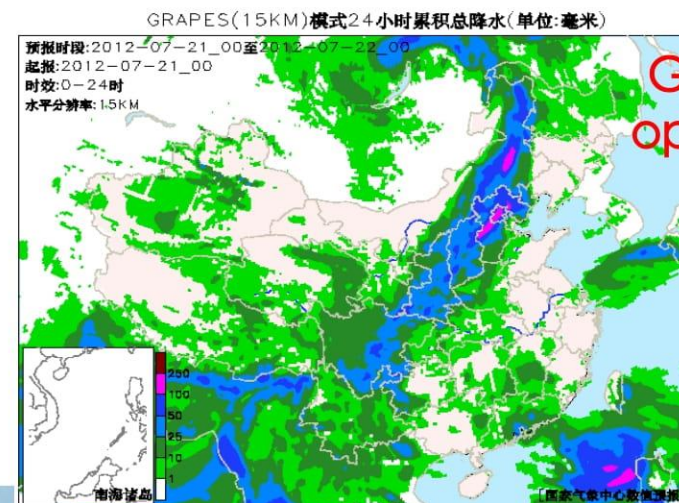
WRF



GRAPES
-3km



GRAPES-
operation



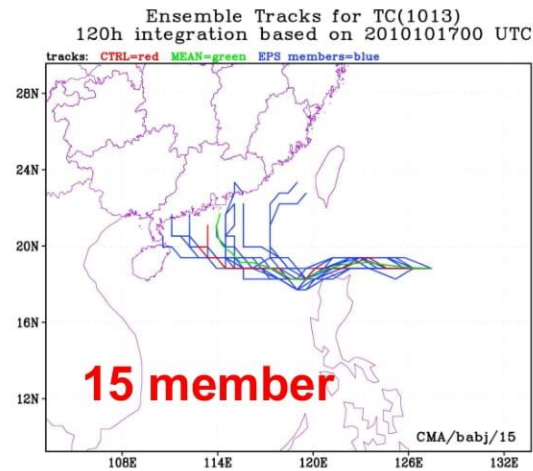
TC prediction system - History

Date	Model	resolution	Data assimilation	Vortex initialization	Forecasting length
1996	Regional grid	50KM/L16 IC/ BC (T106L19)	no	BOGUS Symmetric	48h
2002	Regional grid	50KM/L16 IC/ BC (T213L31)	no	BOGUS Symmetric	48h
2004	Global spectral (GMTTP)	T213L31	OI	BOGUS asymmetry	120h
2006	Global spectral (GMTTP)	T213L31	3DVAR	BOGUS+ Relocation+ intensity modification	120h

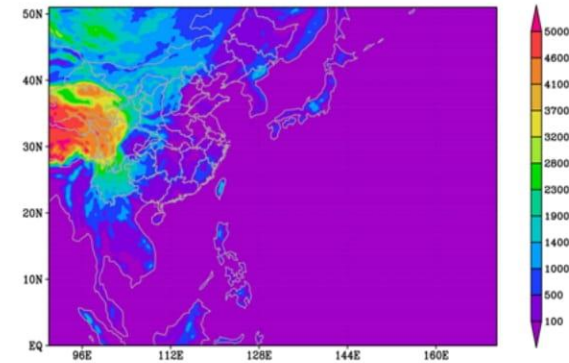
TC prediction



2006
GMTTP-T213L31
FT=120h
(00,06,12,18UTC)



2007
TC-EPS:T213L31
FT=120h (00,12UTC)

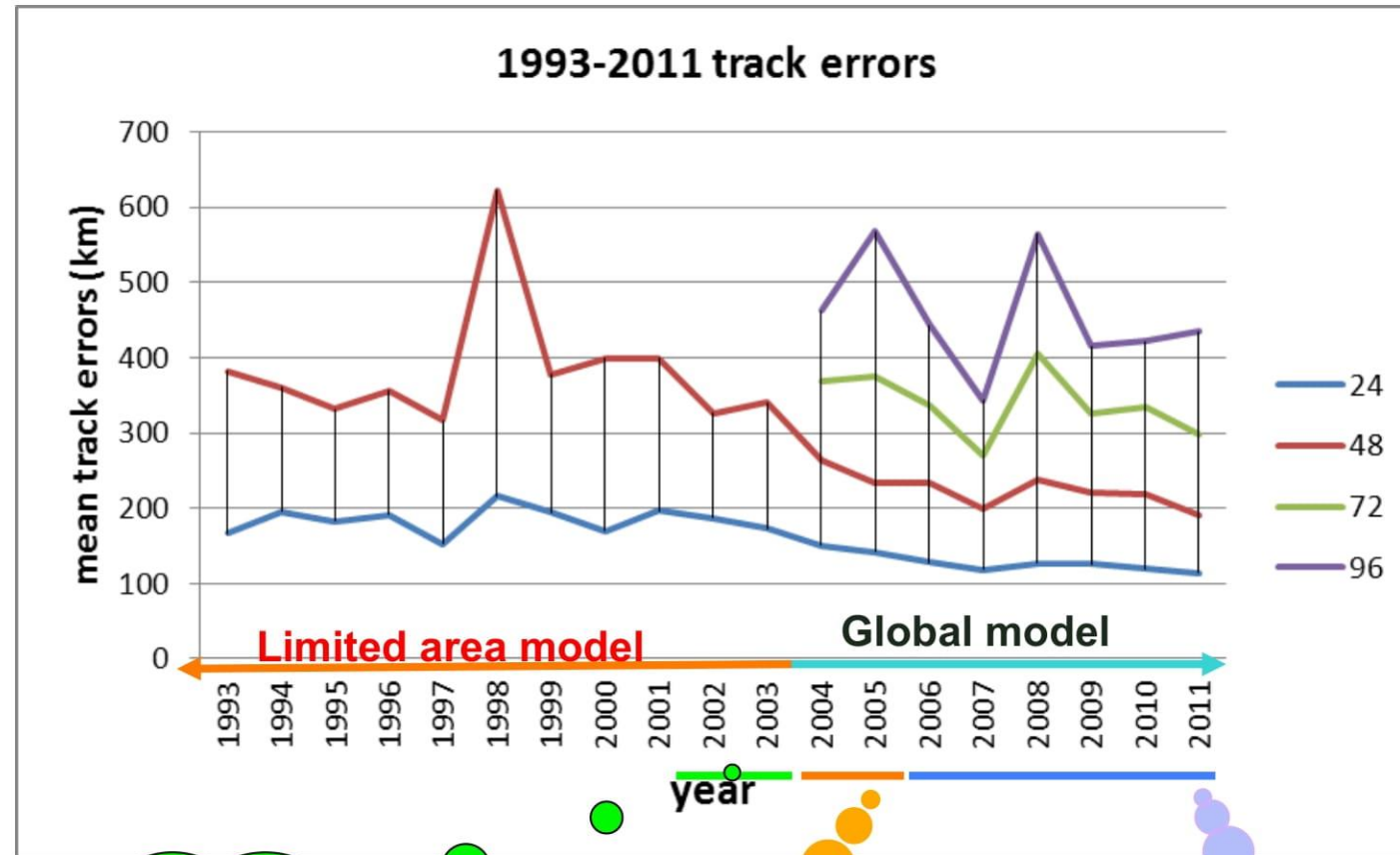


2011
GRAPES_TYM(0.15/31/
NMC)

2006
GRAPES_TCM (0.15/31/STI)

2006
GRAPES-TMM (0.36/31/
GZH)

Performance of NWP in history: Typhoon track



Upgrading
initial and
Boundary
condition

Global model
and
asymmetric
vortex

3DVAR and
new vortex
initialization
scheme

CNWP

Mean track errors for different types of TC

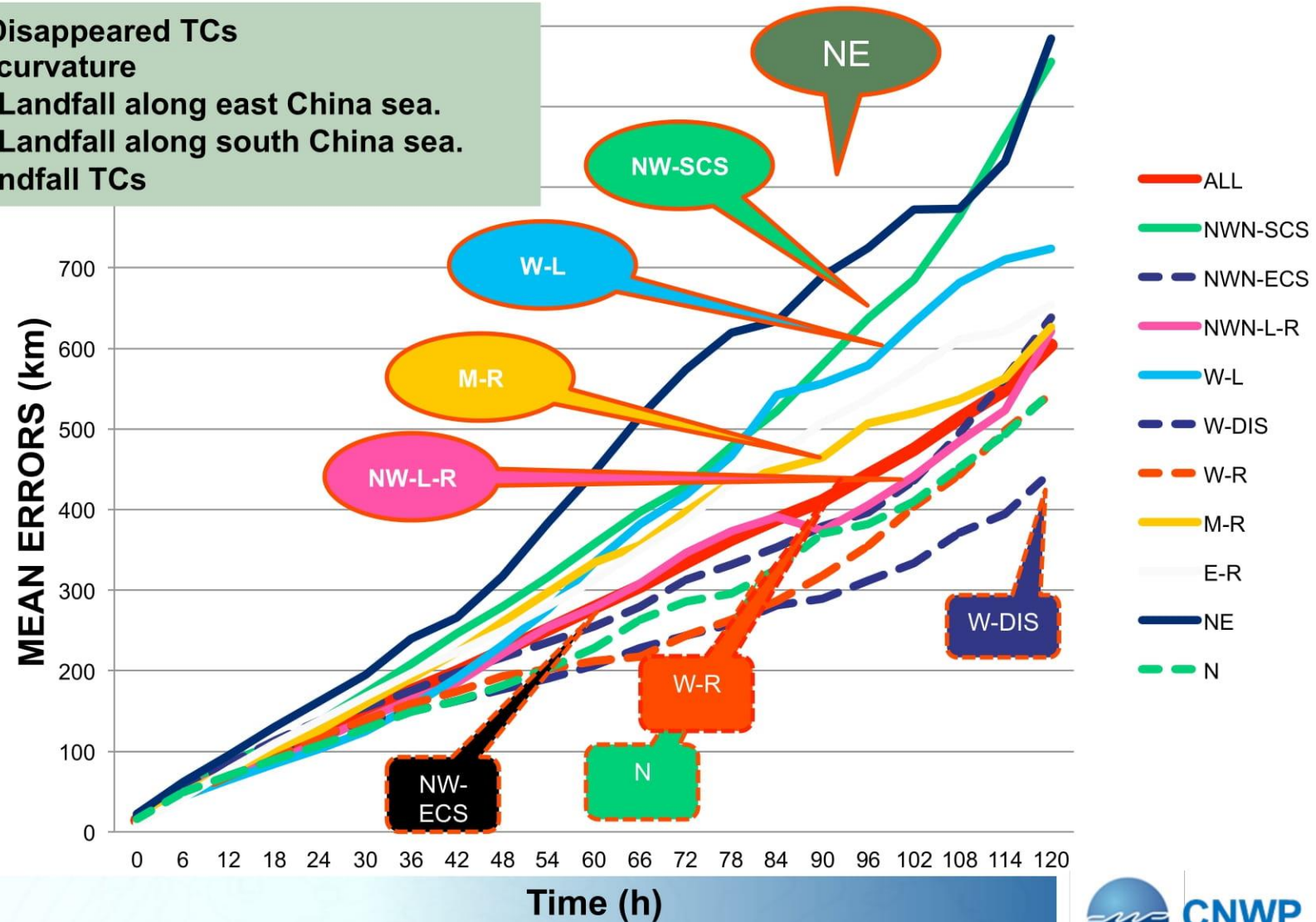
-DIS: Disappeared TCs

-R: Recurvature

-ECS: Landfall along east China sea.

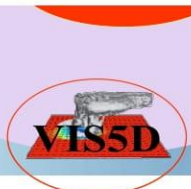
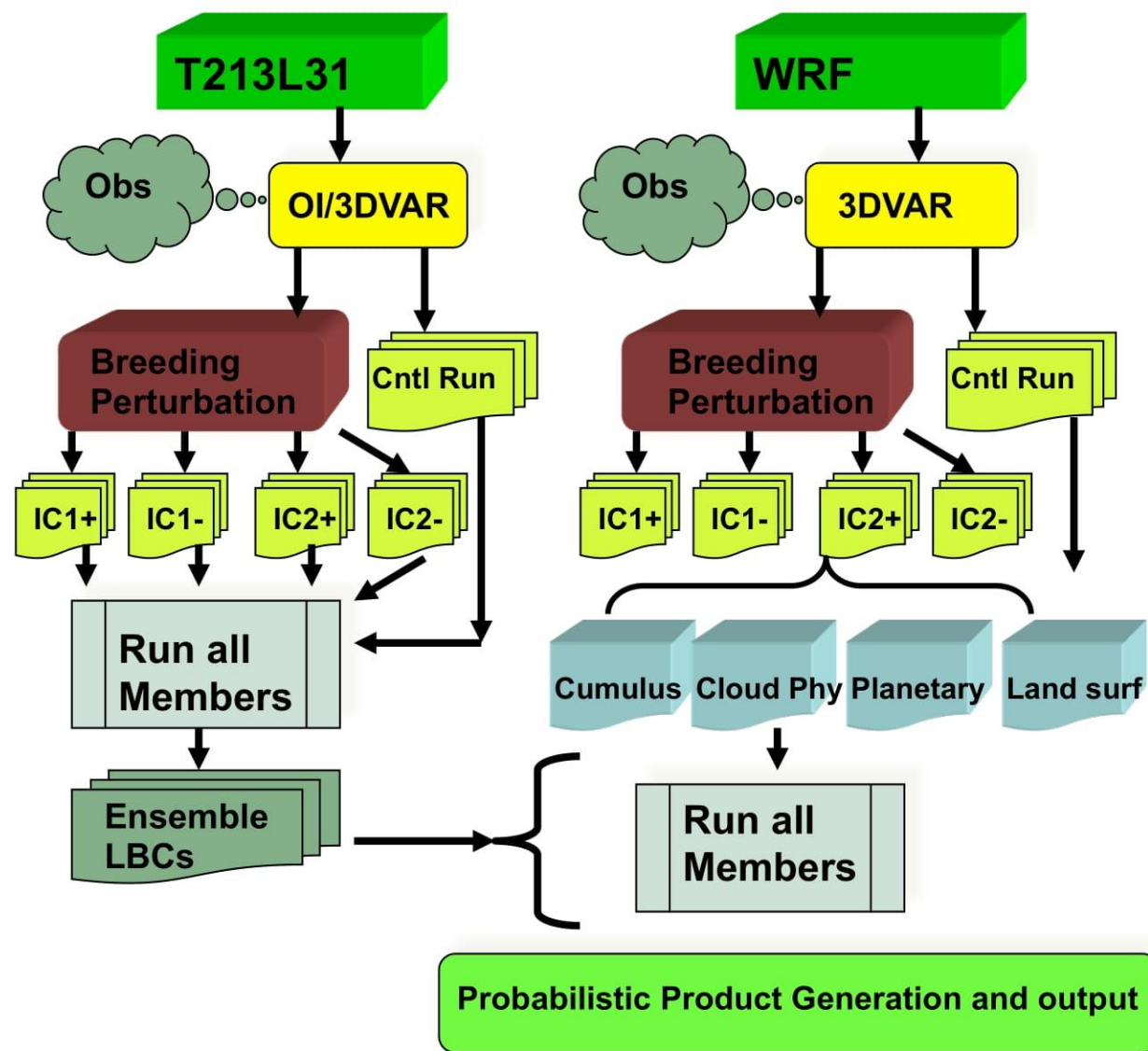
-SCS: Landfall along south China sea.

-L: Landfall TCs



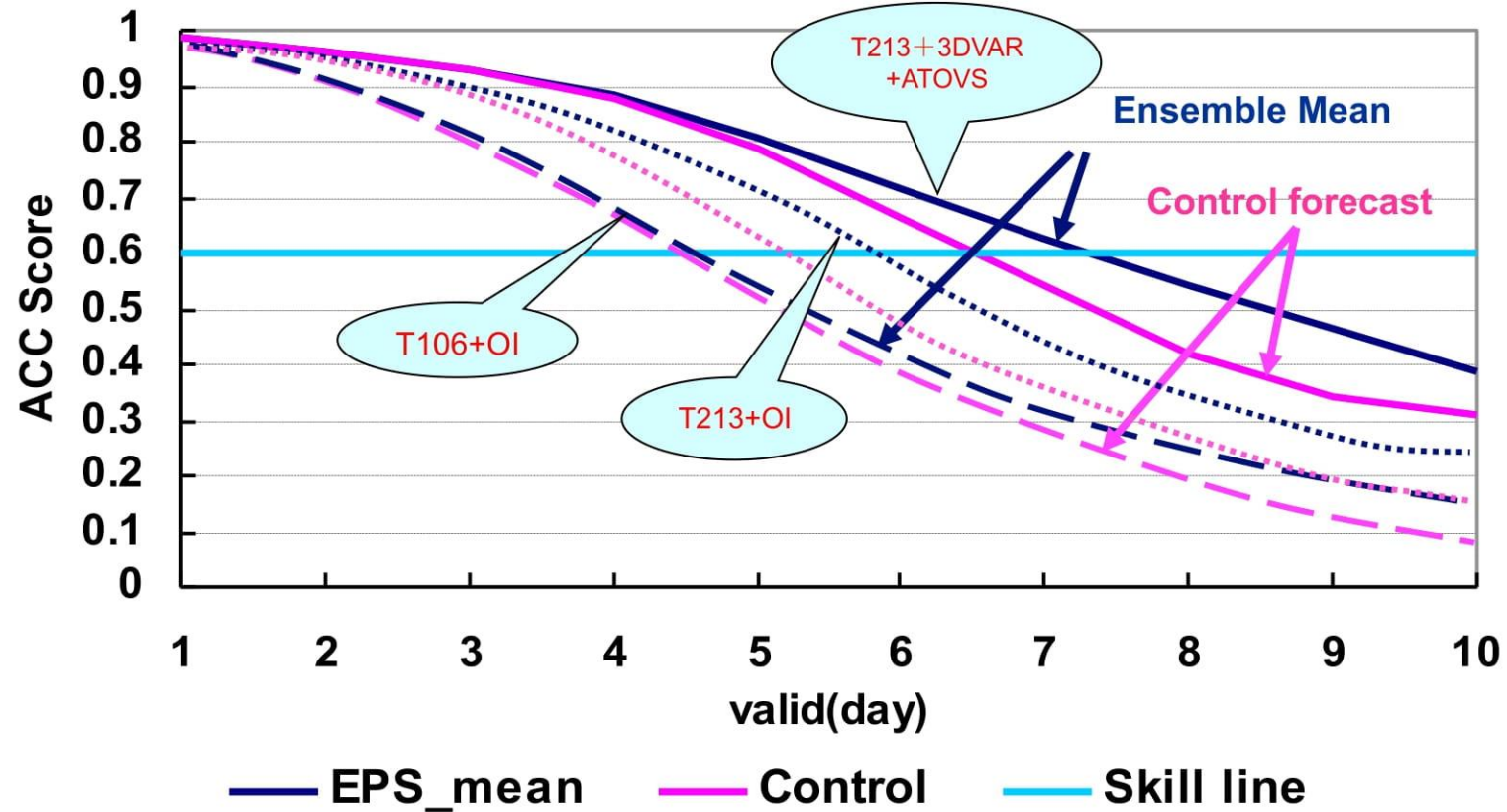
EPS - History

- Jun. 1998 : Researches on T106L19 GEPS
- Feb. 1999: T106L19 GEPS operational test
- Mar. 2001: T106L19 GEPS implementation
- Dec. 2005: T213L31 GEPS operational test
- Dec. 2006: T213L31 GEPS implementation
- Jun. 2007: T213L31 Typhoon Track EPS test
- May.2008: T213L31 Typhoon Track EPS implementation



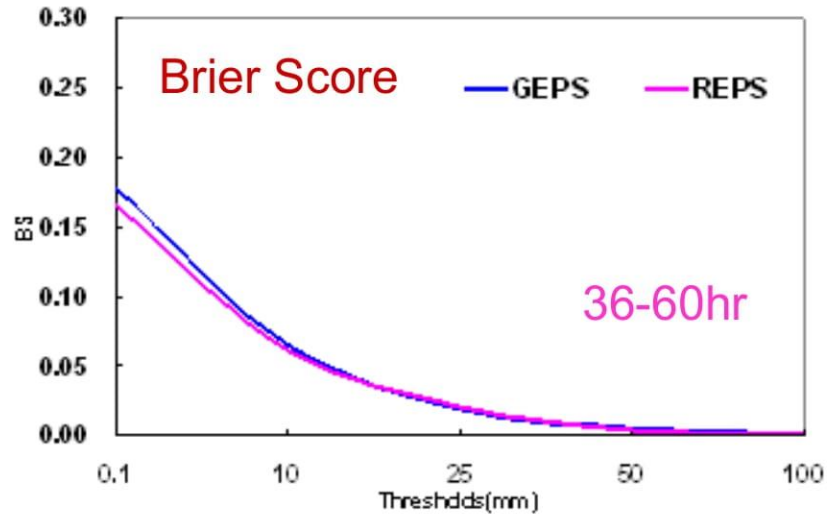
Performance of NWP in history : Global EPS

T213-EPS ACC (NH 500mb Height)
average for 20080801-20080831

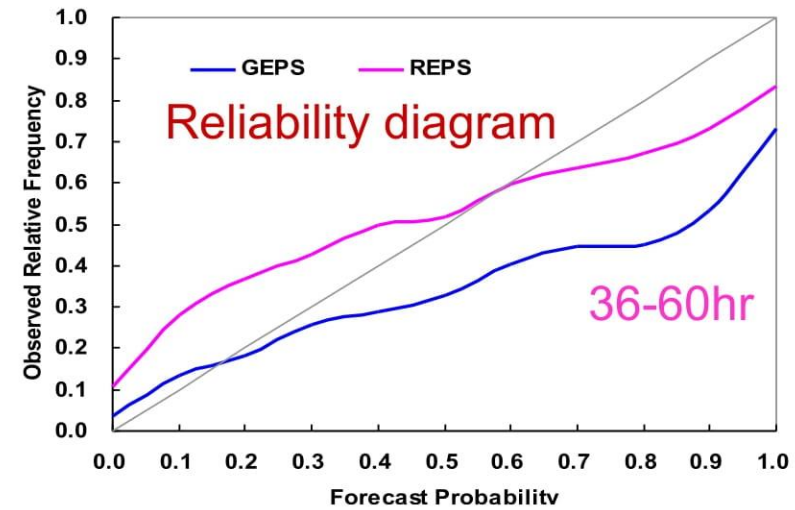


Comparison of GEPS and REPS for precipitation

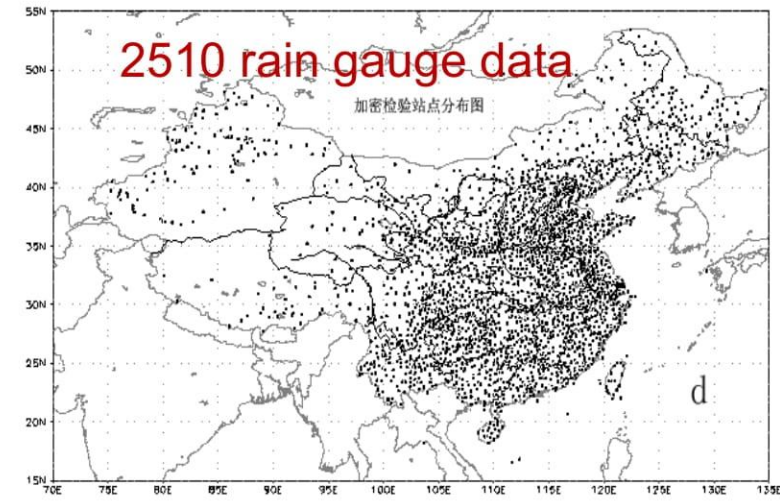
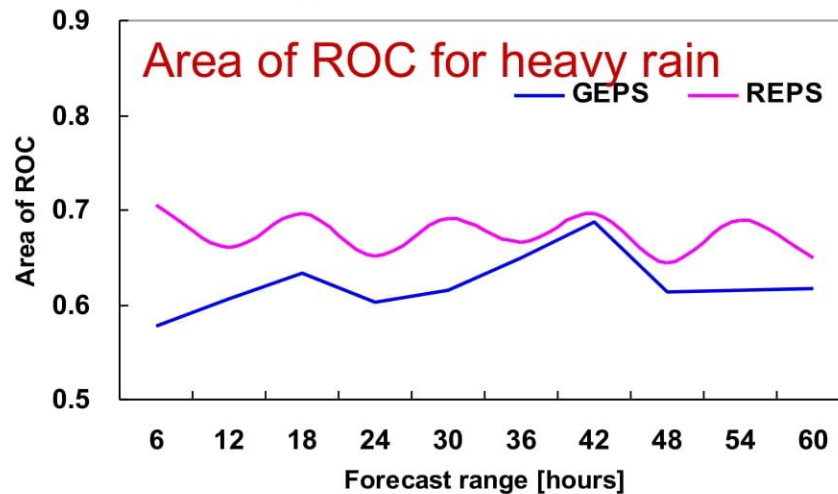
BS, Total Precipitation (36-60h) in China
average for 2010092612-2010102512



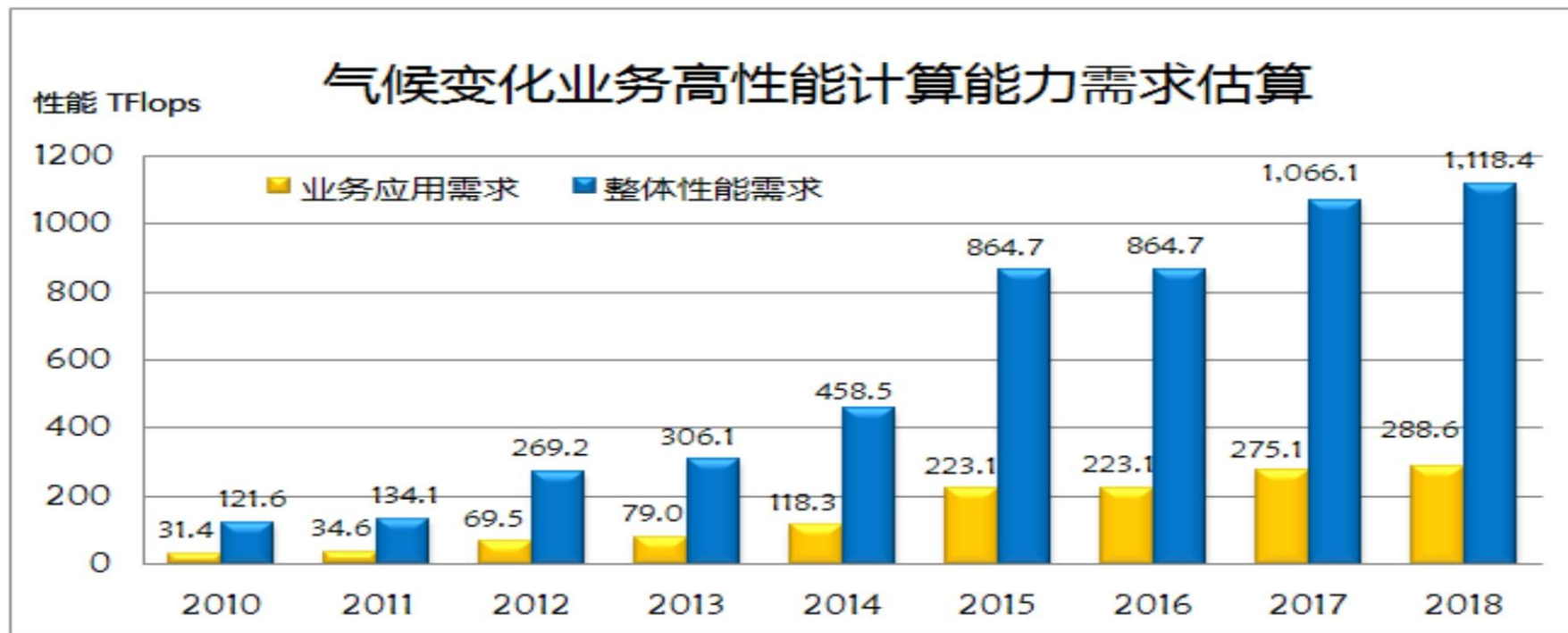
Precipitation Probability (>0.1mm,36-60h)
in China average for 2010092612-2010102512



Area of ROC, Total Precipitation >(13.0mm) in China
average for 2010092612-2010102512



CMA supercomputer and future update plan



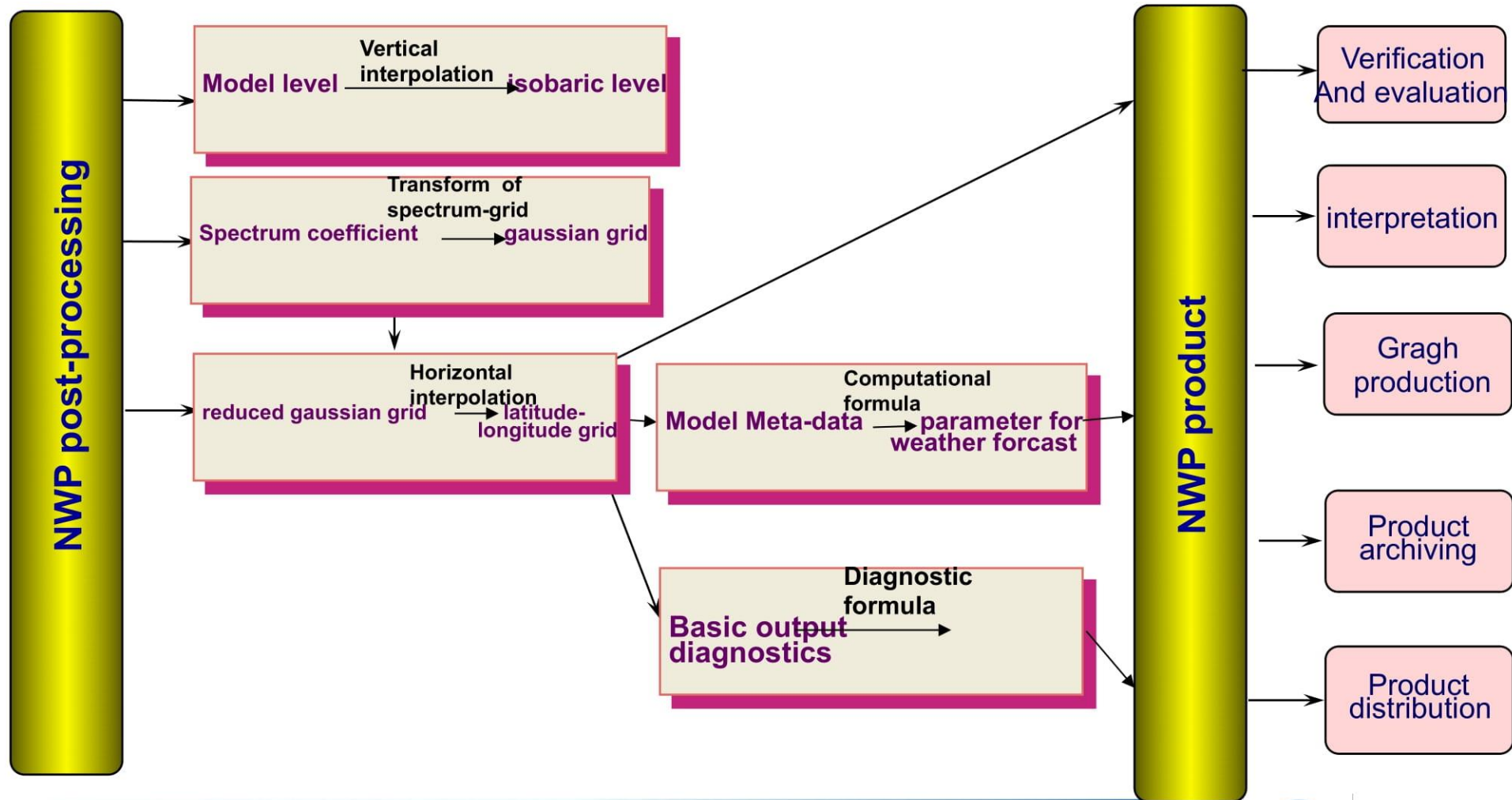
2012: (**imported machine**, peak-300TFlops , storage 1PB , sustained speed 15TFlops)

2014 (**domestic made**, peak-800TFlops , storage 2PB , sustained speed 50TFlops)

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NWP post-processing and product (e.g.T639)



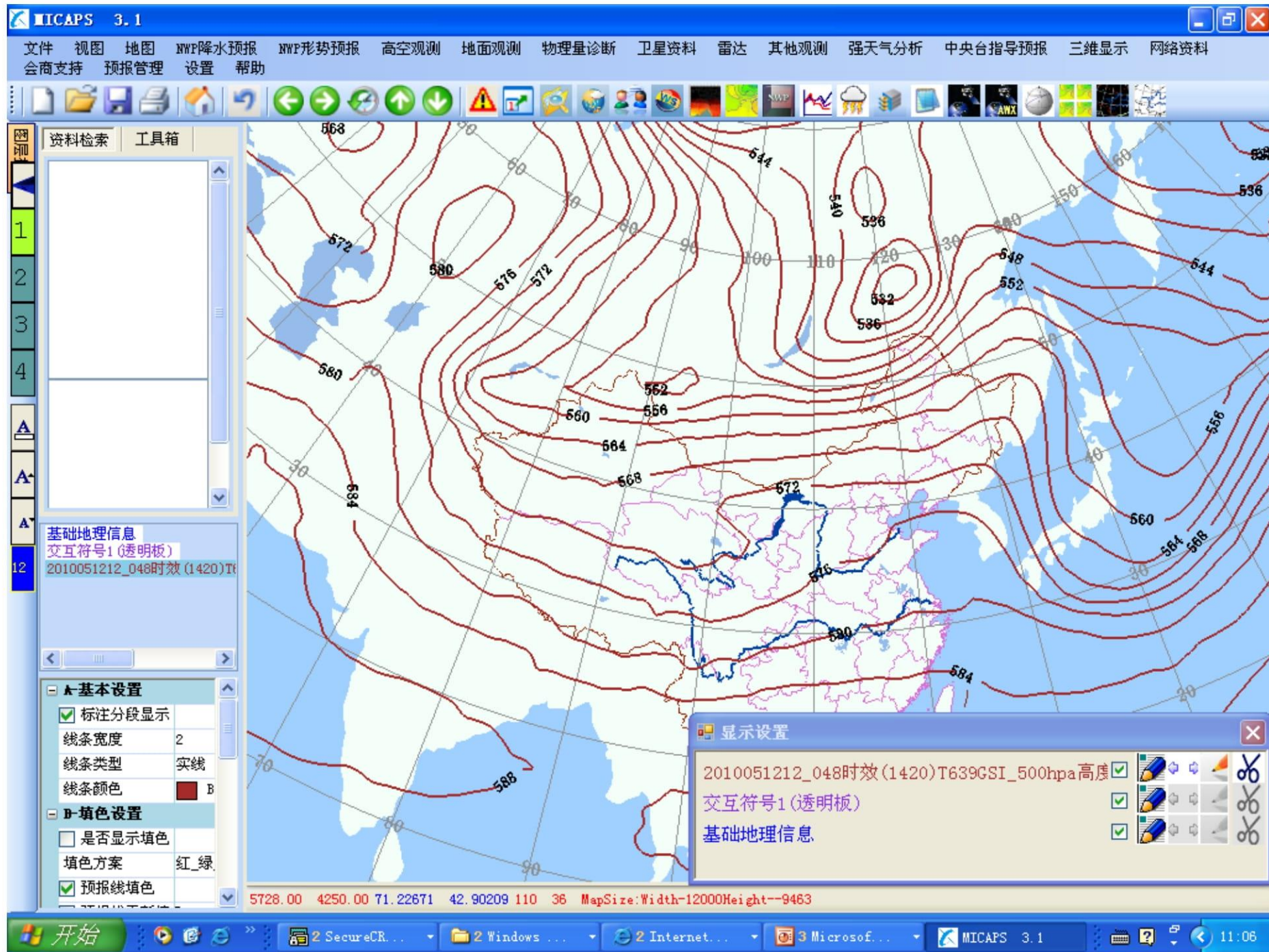
MICAPS Products of T639 GFS

Run 4 times per day

Run T+240 hr forecast at 00 and 12UTC

Run T+084 hr forecast at 06 and 18 UTC

element	level	Valid time	acquisition
H,T,W,Vor,Div,RH,Td,U,V	10,20,30,50,70,100, 150,200,250,300, 400,500,600,700, 850,925,1000 (17levs)	T+120hr VT: 3hrs interval	DMO(directly model output)
T_adv,Vor_adv	200,500, 700,850,925,1000	T+120~168 VT: 6hrs interval	Processed
T-Td,Q_flux,MPV,Qflux_div,PTE	500,700,850,925	T+168-240 VT: 12hrs interval	Processed
Elements after bias correction: H_500,T_850,U_850,V_850			Processed
Accumulated total precipitation: 3-hour,6-hour,12-hour,24-hour			Processed
Accumulated convective precipitation: 3-hour,6-hour,12-hour,24-hour			Processed
Accumulated snow fall: 3,6,12,24-hour			Processed
10m Wind field, K-index, 10m stream field			Processed
Slp,2T,2RH,Snowdepth,Totalcloud, 4layers soil humidity etc. total over 40 variables			DMO
anomaly of 10-day accumulated Precipitation, Days of ten-day forecast that 3-continuous day daily maximum temperature >35 degree;37 degree;40 degree, respectively. Minimum temperature			Processed

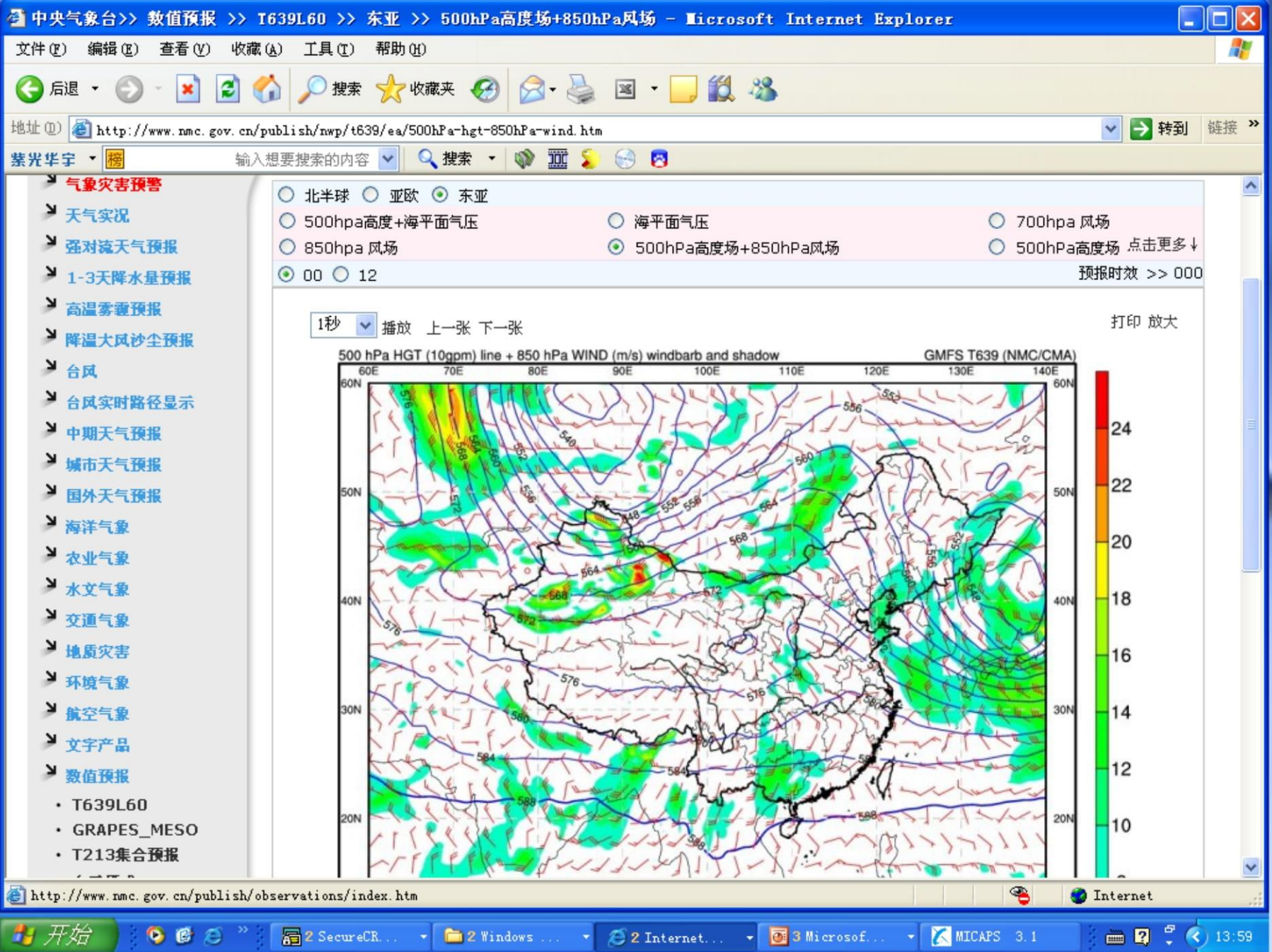


Graphic products on web

area		Output time			Output time
North hemisphere	200hpa height	0, 12, 24, 36,48,60,	Eastern Asia (10N—60N, 60E—140E)	500hpa height+850hpa wind	(000,003, 006,009,01
	850hpa temperature	72,84,96, 108,120,		850hpa relative humidity+850hpa wind	2,015,018,0 21,024,027,
	200hpa specific humidity+200hpa wind field	144,168, 192,216, 240		700hpa streamline	030,033,03 6,039,042,0
	Sea level pressure			K-index	45,048,051, 054,057,06
Asia Europe(20E-170E, 0N-70N)	500hpa height+slp	0, 6,12, 18,24,		700hpa、850hpa relative humidity	0,072,084,0 96,108,120,
	500hpa height+500hpa temperature	30,36,42,4 8,54,60,		500hpa、850hpa temperature advection	132,144,15 6,168,192,2
	500hpa height+850hpa wind	66,72,84,9 6,108,120,		500hpa vorticity advection	16,240)
	700hpa specific humidity+700hpa wind	132,14415 6,168,		500hpa、850hpa vorticity	
	850hpa specific humidity+850hpa wind			700hpa、850hpa Θ_{se}	
				700hpa、850hpa moisture flux	
	500hpa height+slp			700hpa、850hpa moisture flux divergence	
	Sea level pressure			500、700、850hpa vertical velocity	
	700hpa、850hpa wind field				

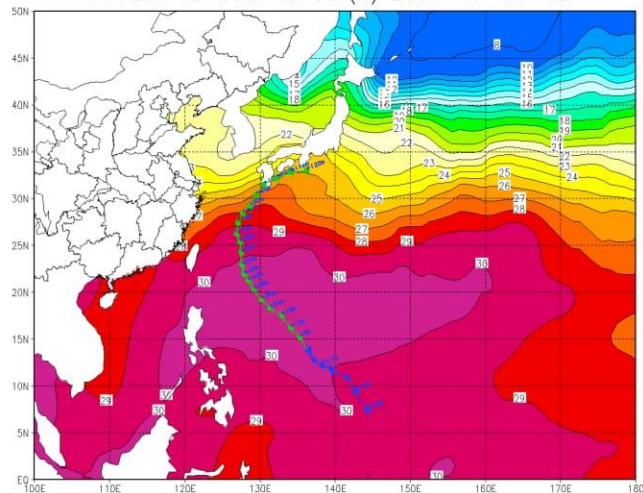


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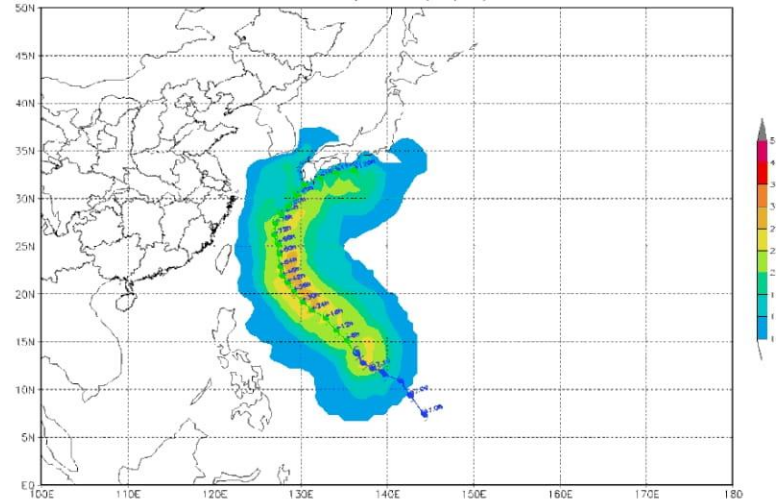


Typhoon products

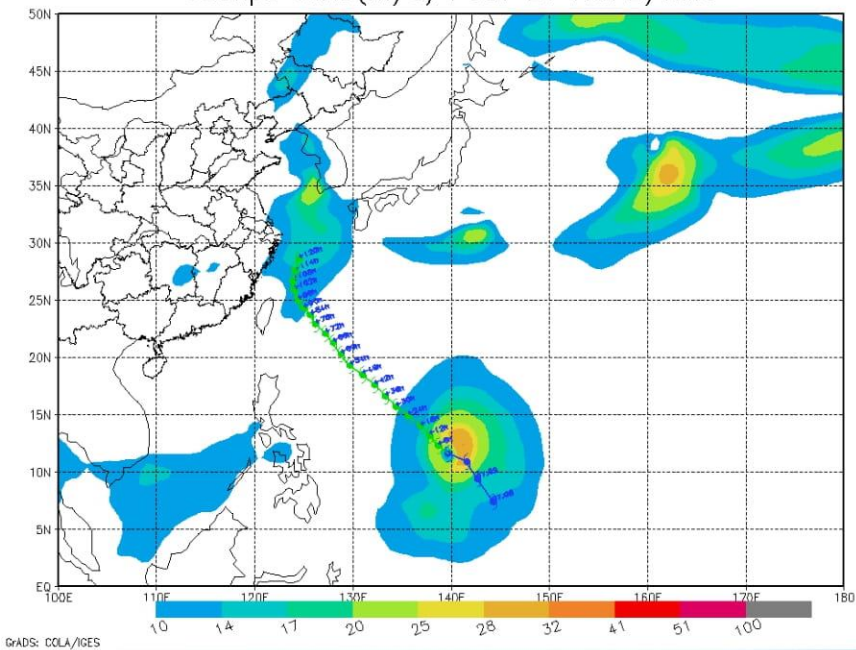
T+120h TC track on SST(c) 2007-07-10-12



maximum surface wind speed (m/s) 2007-07-10-12



925hpa WIND(m/s) FCST BY NWPD/NMC

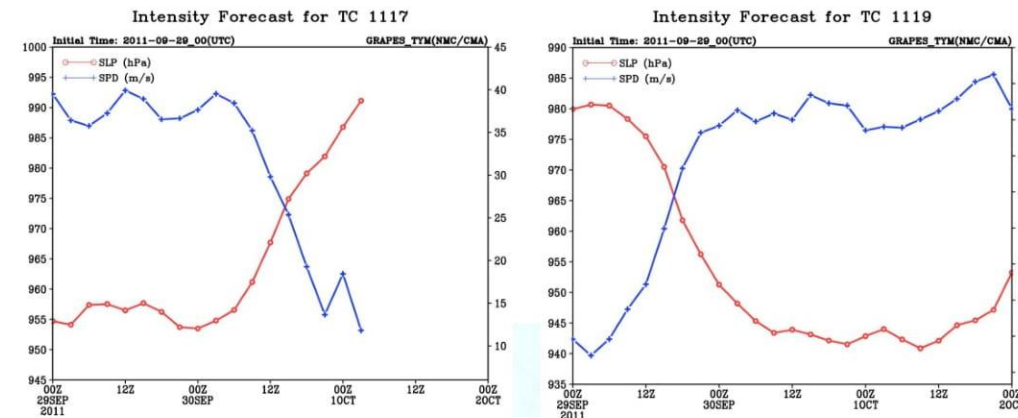
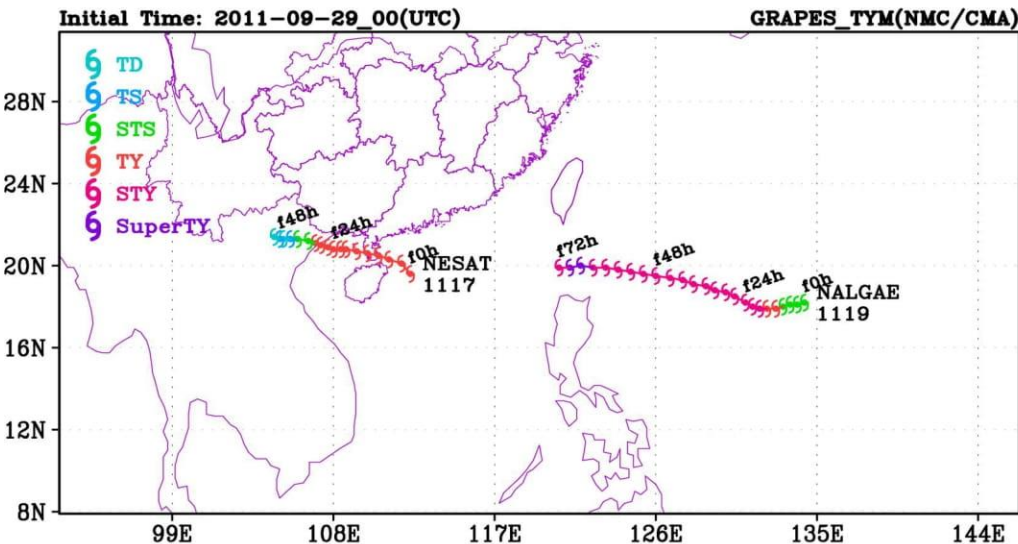


Center Position Forecast of Typhoon SEPAT 2007--08--17--00

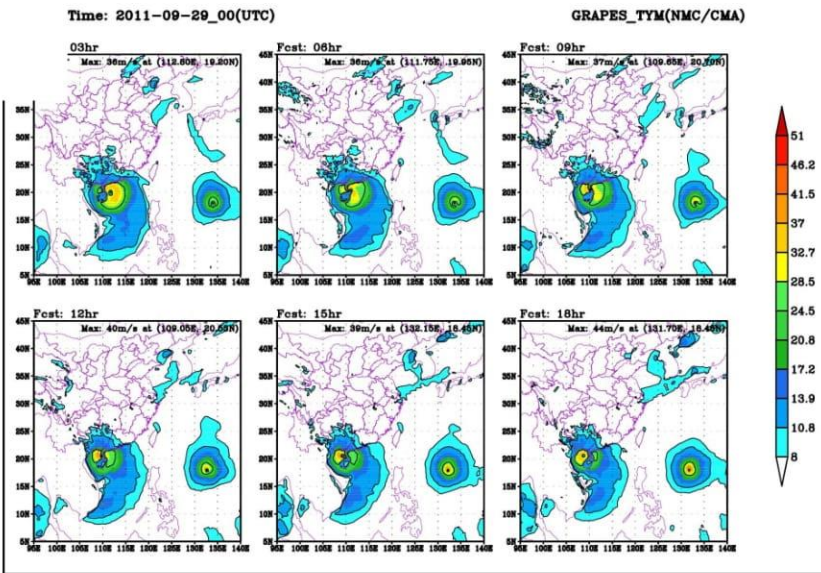


Typhoon Products

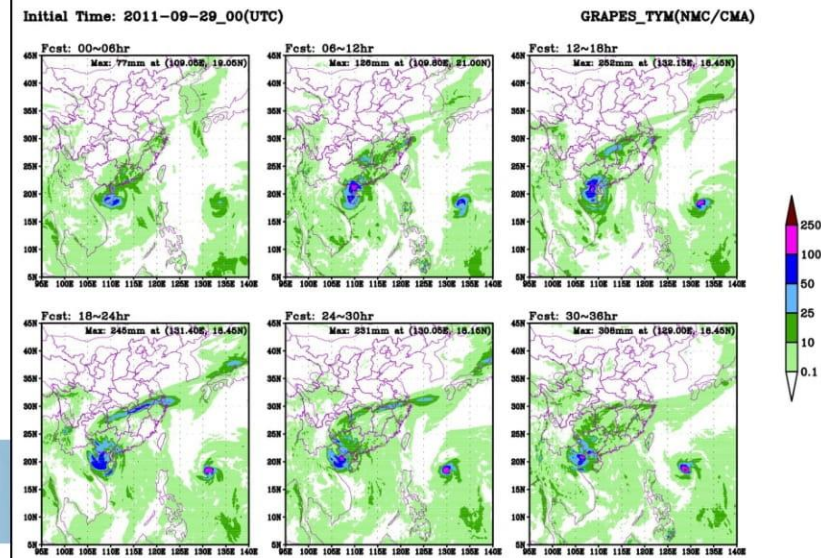
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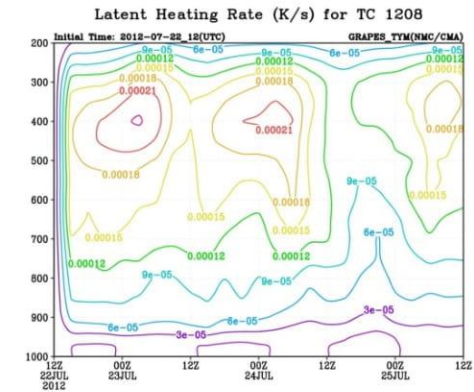
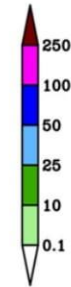
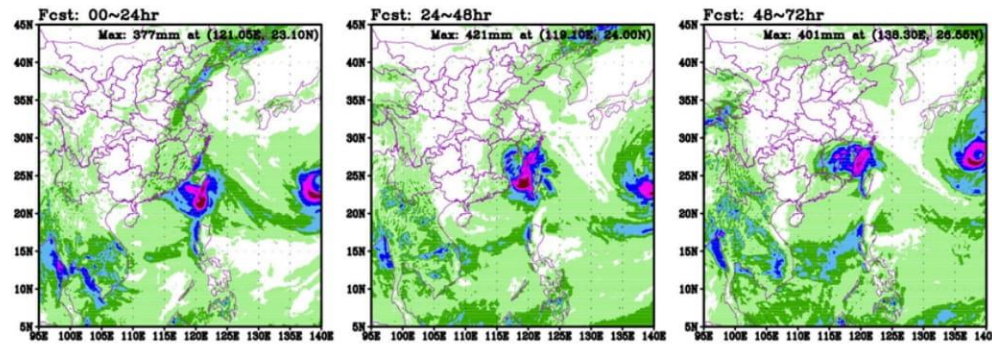
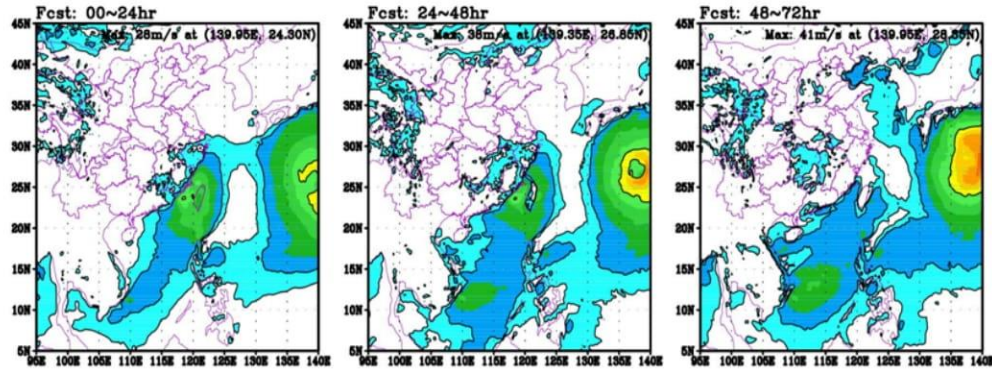
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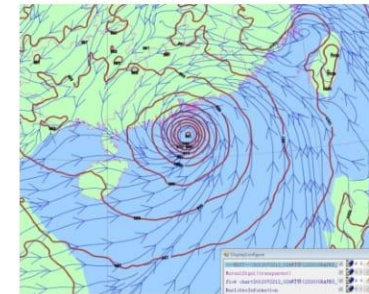
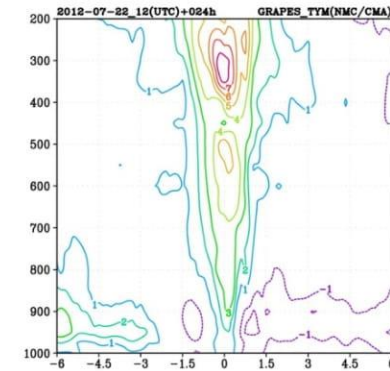
06hr Accumulated Rainfall(mm)



Typhoon products



Anomaly of Temperature (K) at Lat. Sec. cross 1208 center (21.15N)



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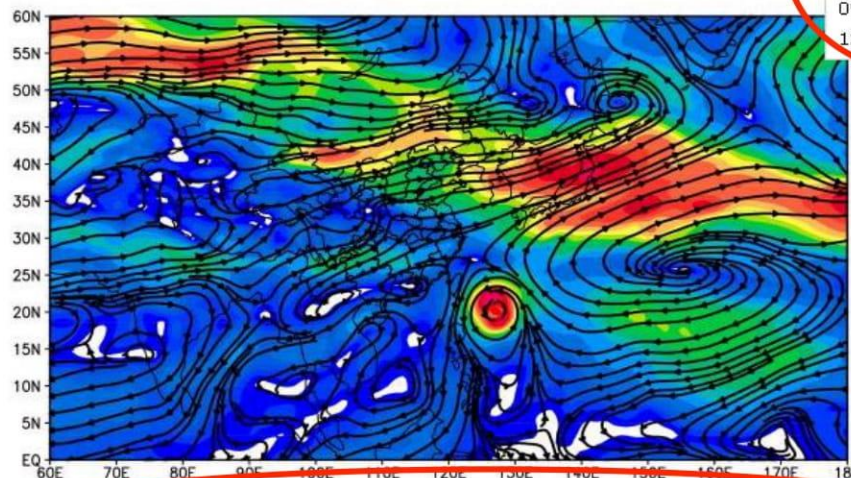
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500-850hPa引导气流(GMTTP模式资料)2009年10月21日00



LUPIT: 中心位置::(20.1N,127.1E),移向::WSW 移速::15KM/H

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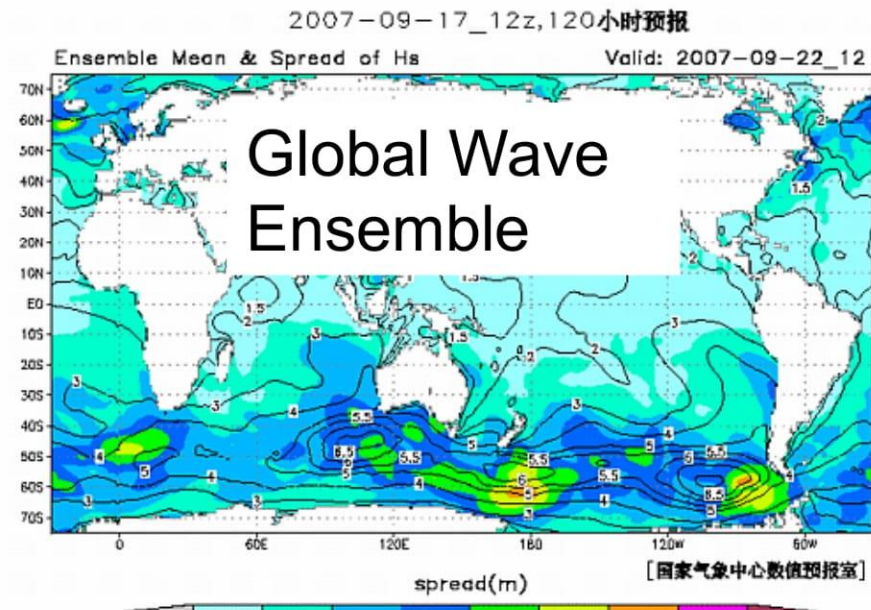
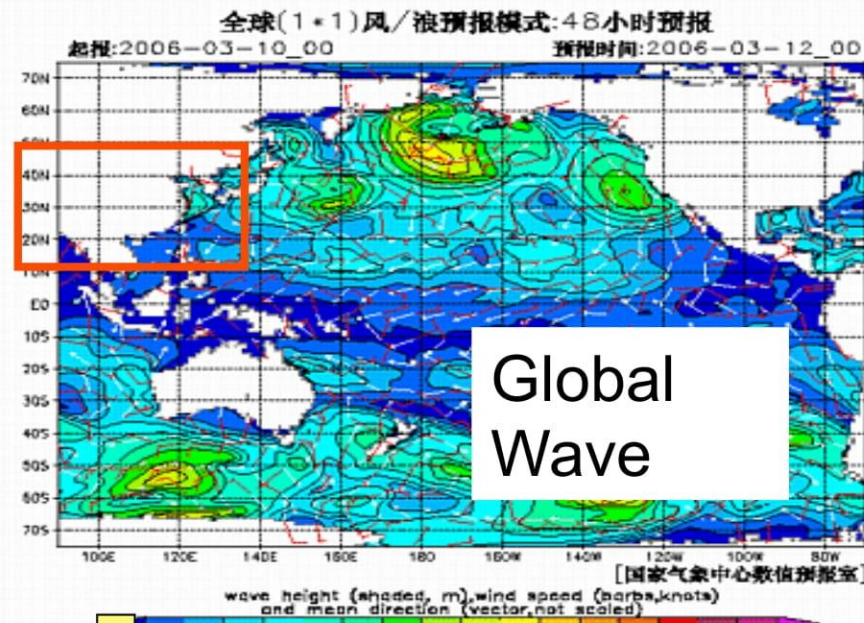
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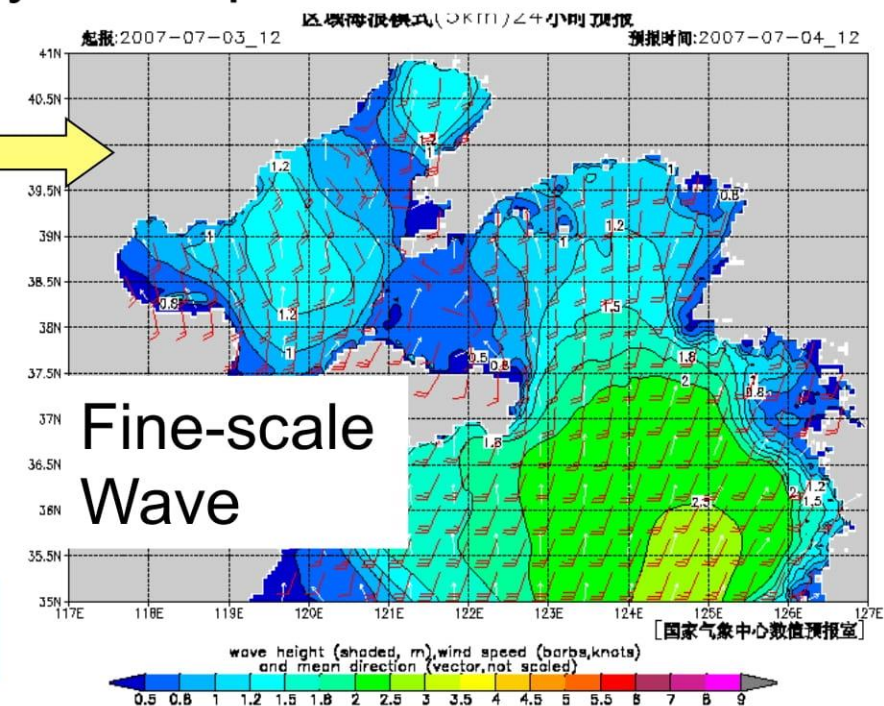
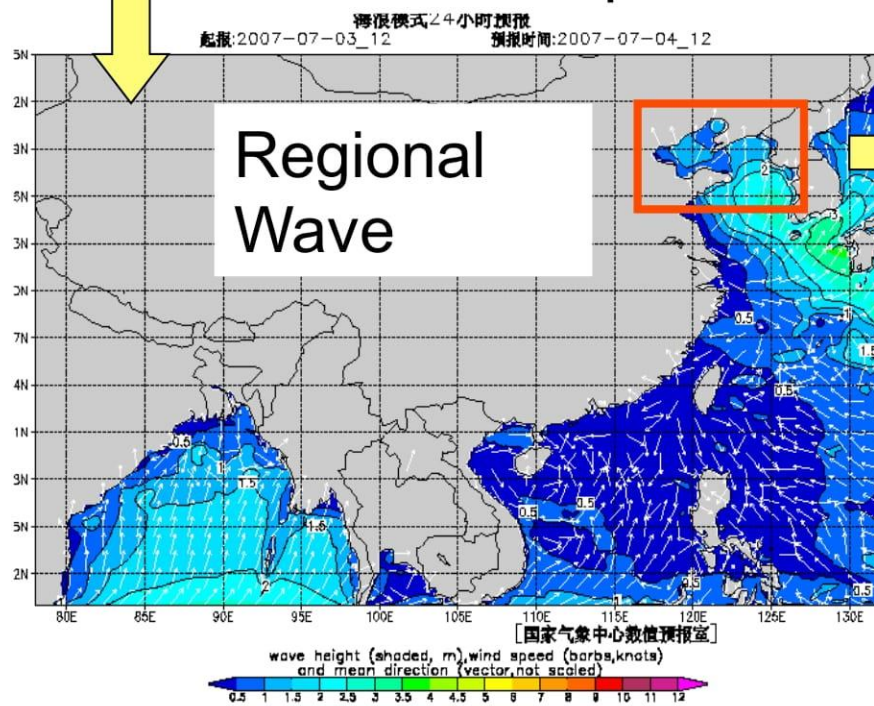
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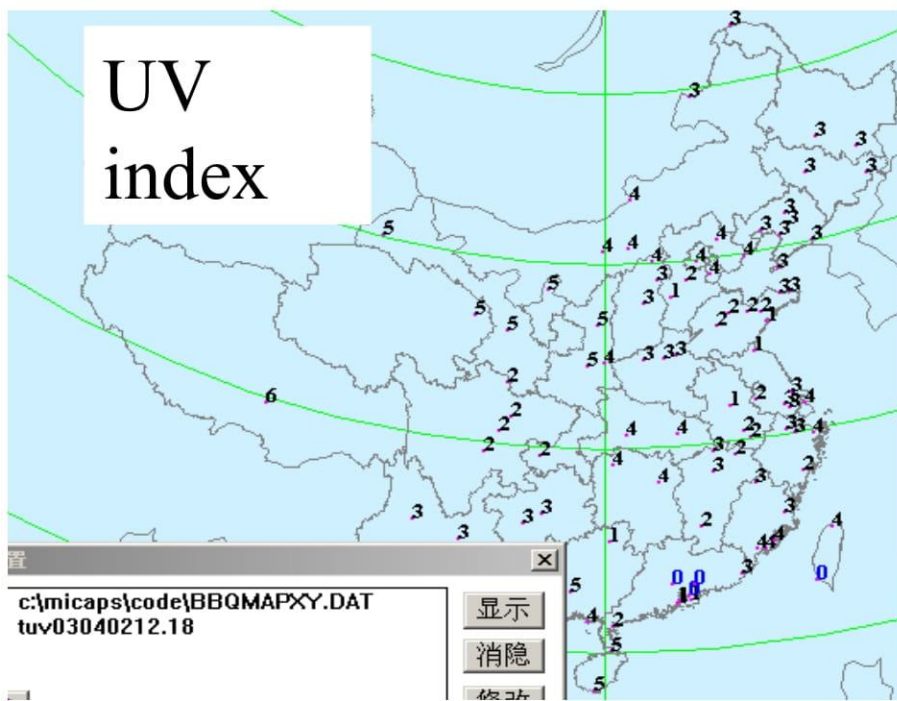
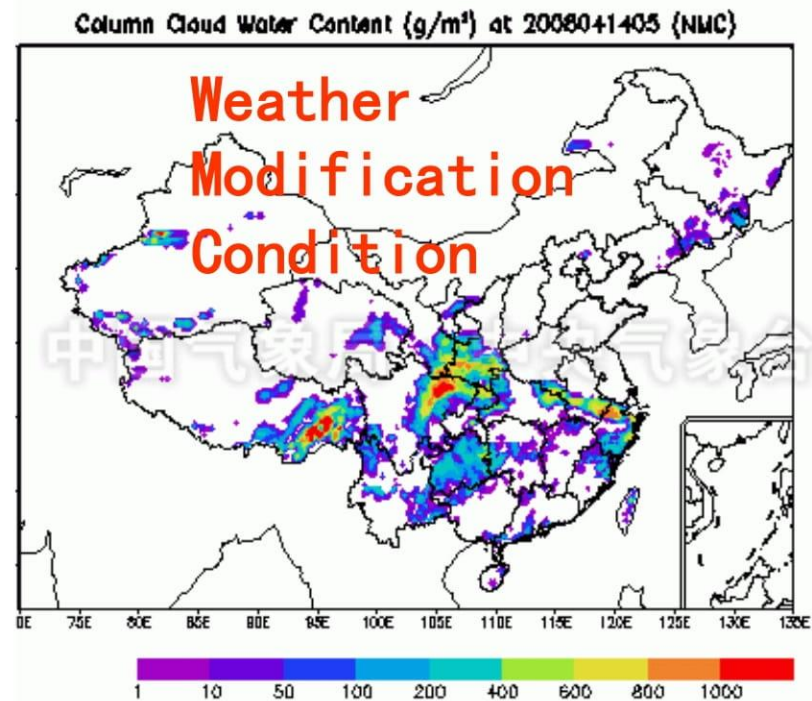
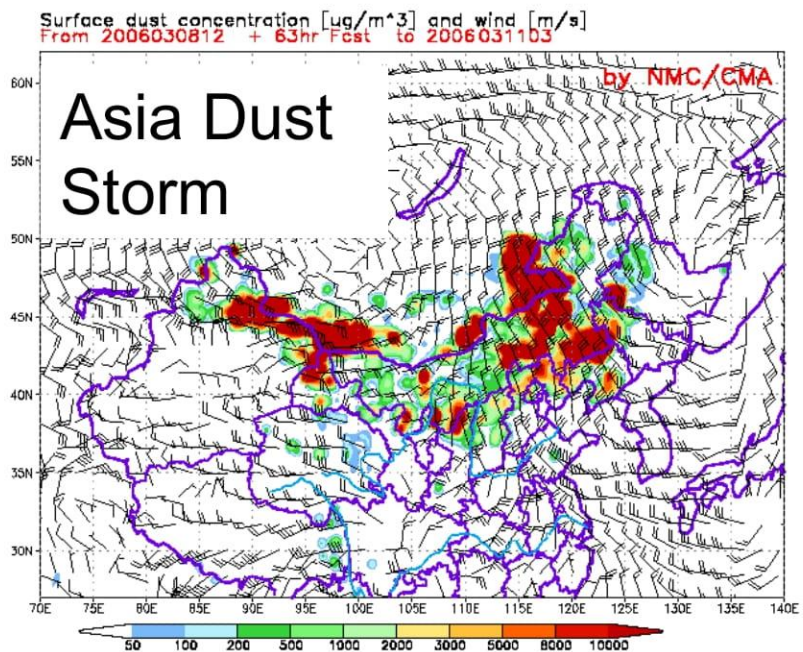
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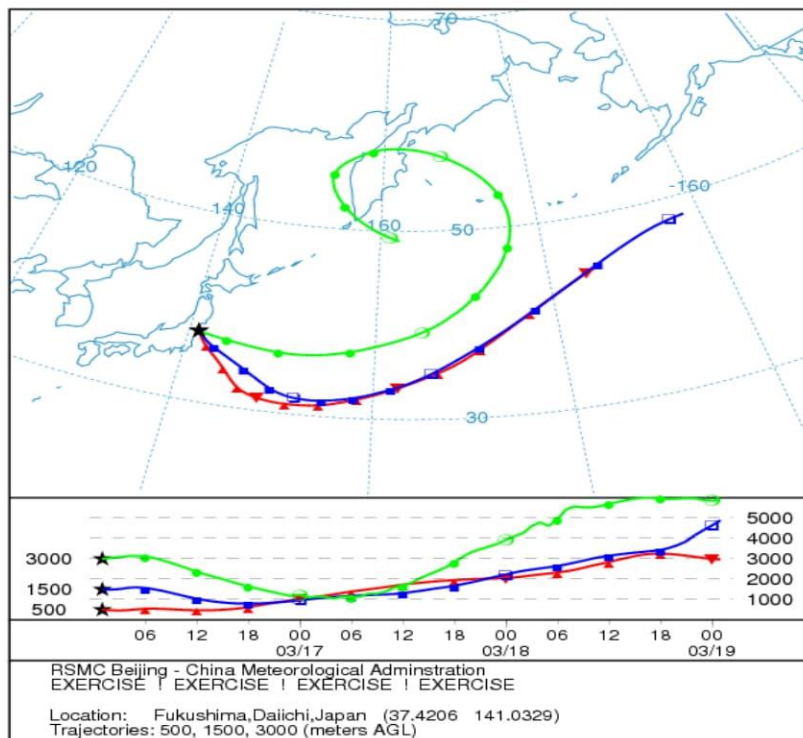
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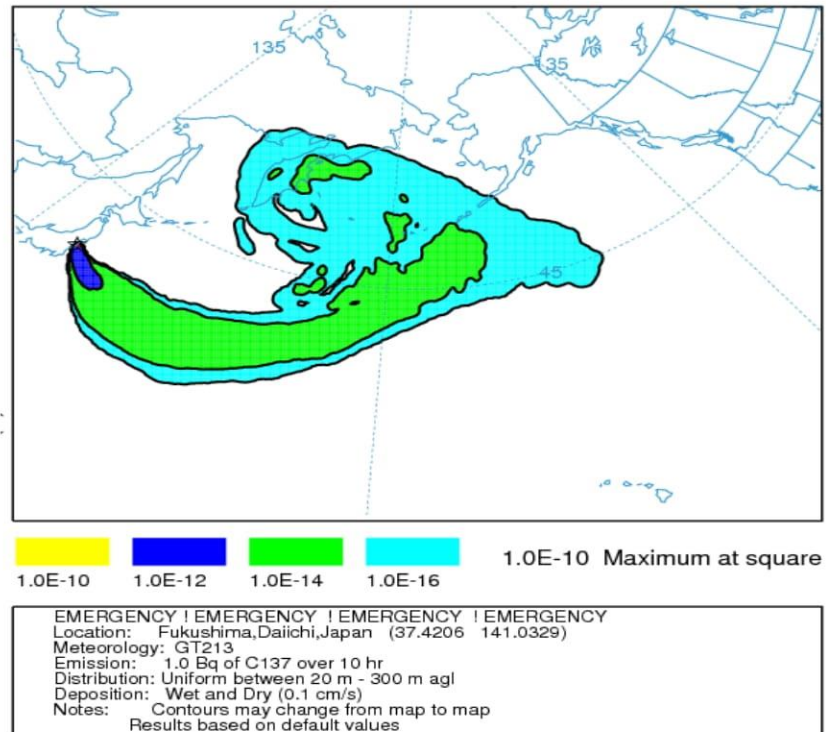


Global pollution transport and dispersion model system

RSMC BEIJING - CHINA METEOROLOGICAL ADMINISTRATION
Forward trajectories starting at 01 UTC 16 Mar 11
00 UTC 16 Mar CMAG Forecast Initialization



RSMC BEIJING - CHINA METEOROLOGICAL ADMINISTRATION
Deposition at Ground-Level (Bq/m²)
Integrated from 00z 16 Mar to 00z 19 Mar (UTC)
C137 Release Started at 01Z 16 Mar (UTC)



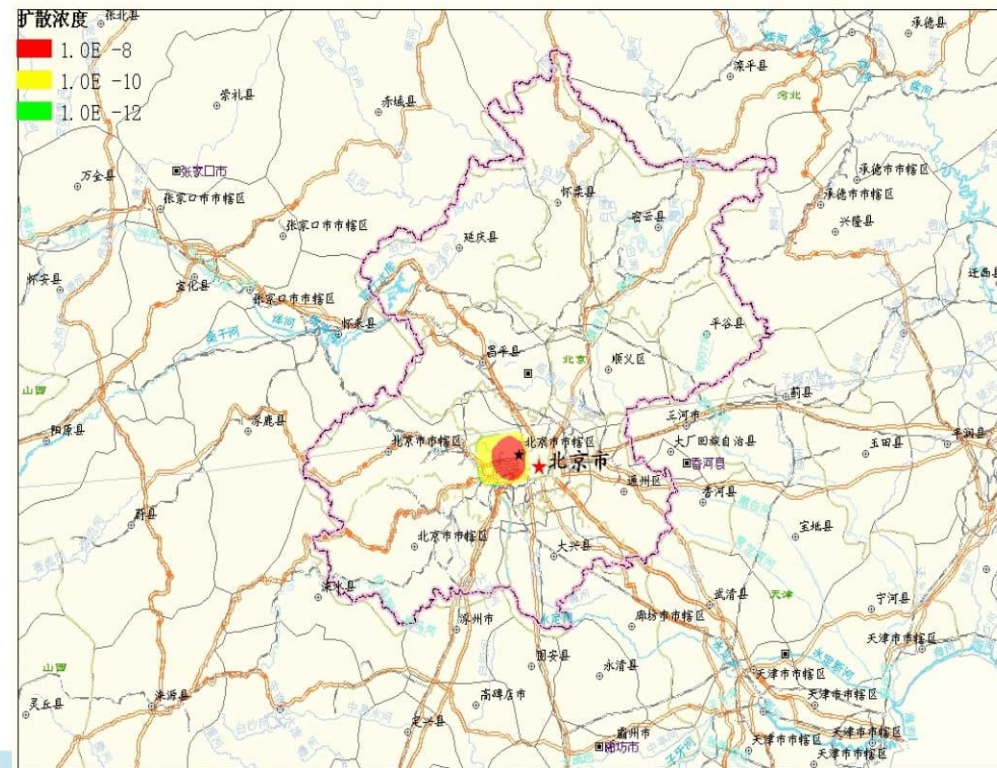
5km regional pollution transport and dispersion model system

After started, can provide 1~5km, 1hour interval noxious gas transport and dispersion products within 30 minutes



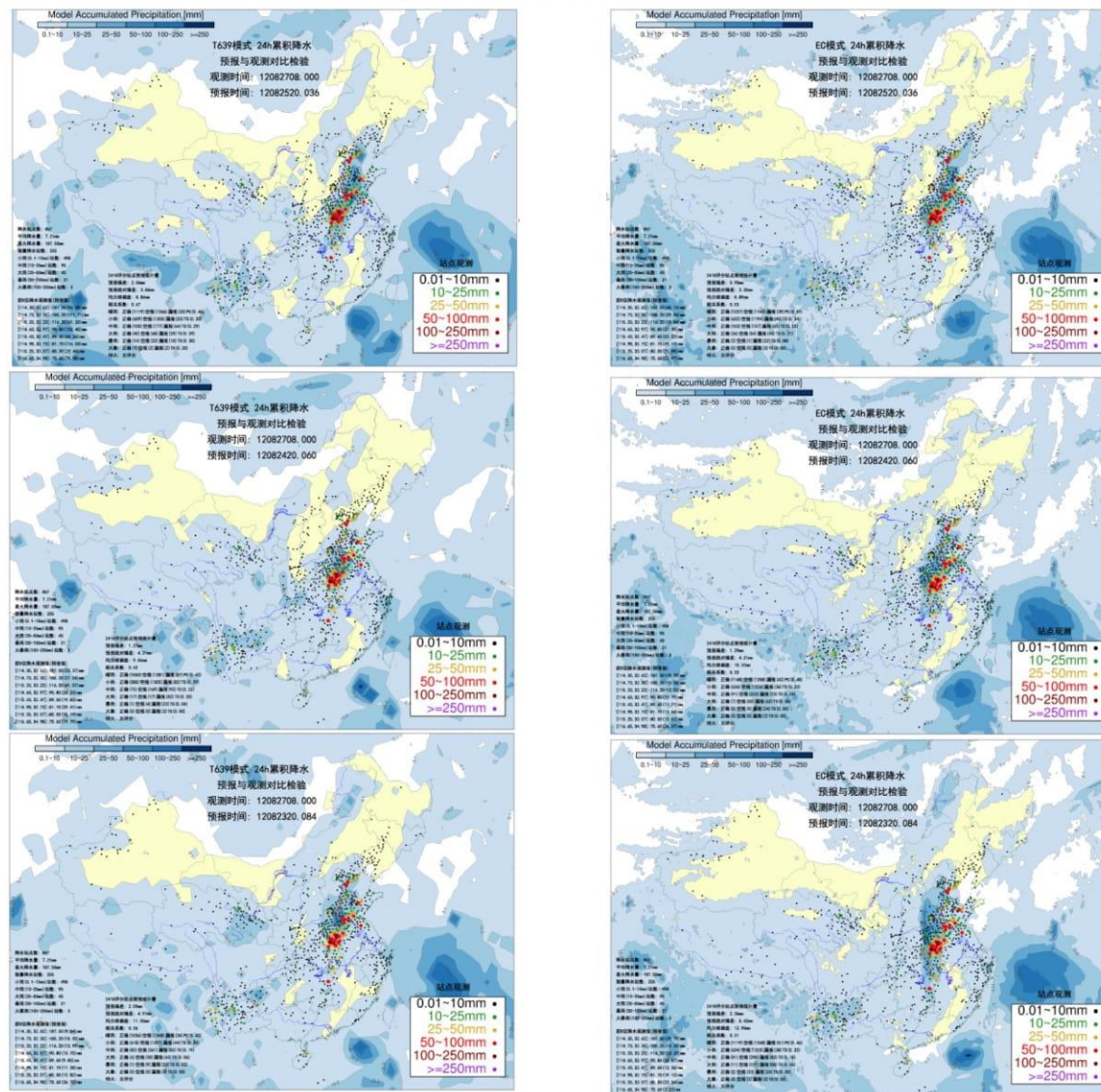
Various height transport height

Surface to 100m noxious gas dispersion (1hour interval)



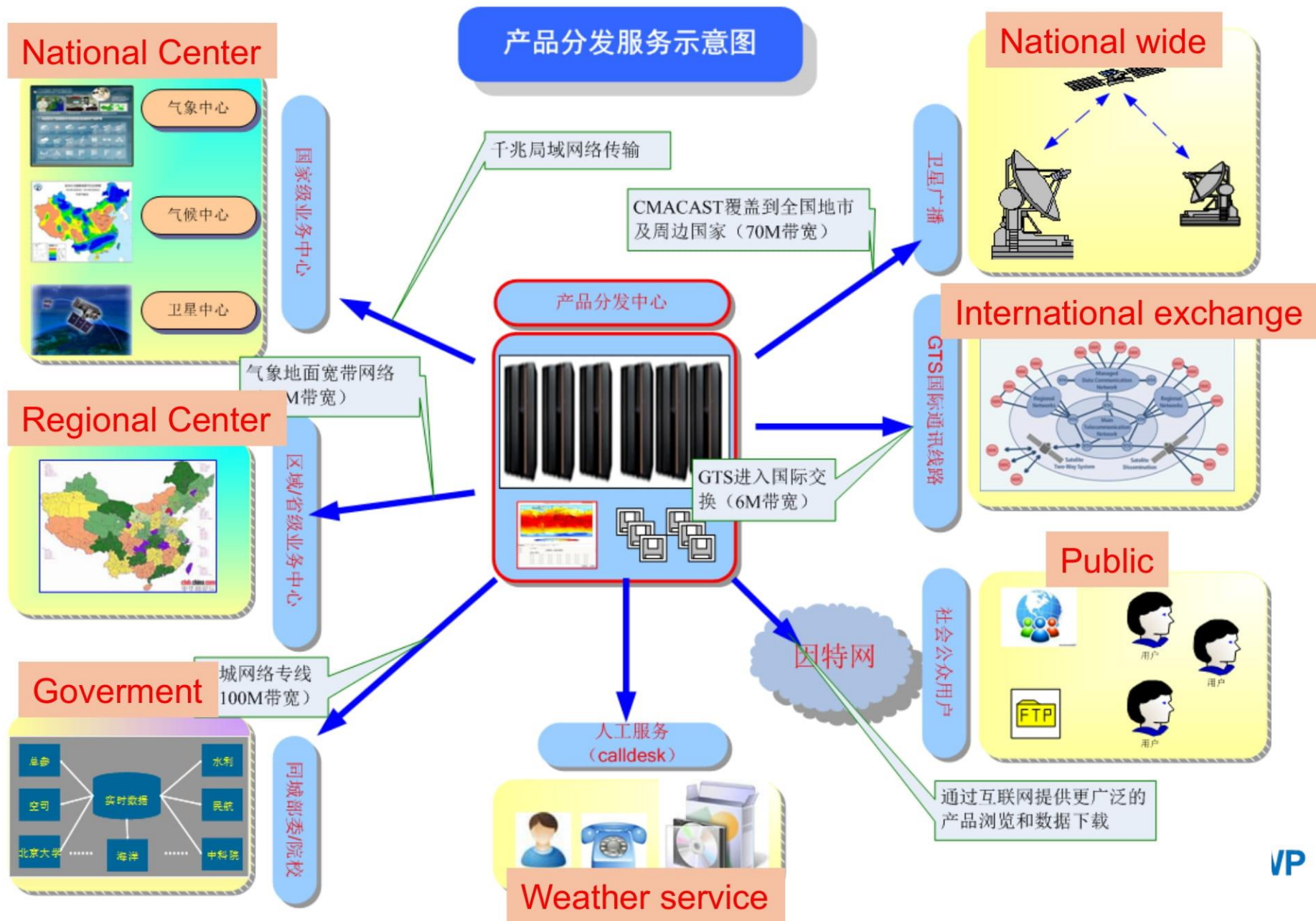
Forecaster evaluation products

-model products synoptic verification and assessments(NMC)



T639 (left column) 、 EC (right column) 36h (top row) 、 60h (middle row) 、 84h (bottom row) 8.26.08~8.27.08 daily accumulated precipitation forecasts(mm). shaded line is for forecasting, dot is for station observation

Diagram of NWP products distribution



The forecaster feedback for T639 Products

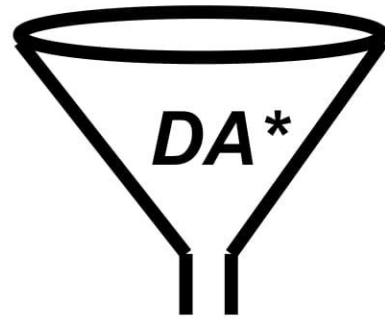


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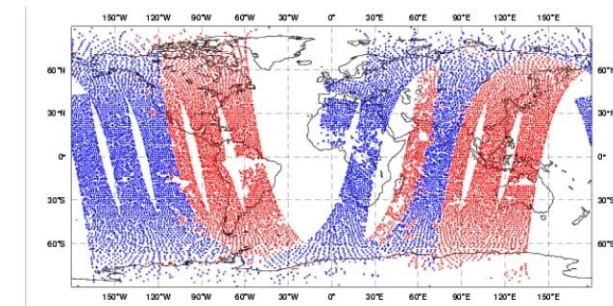
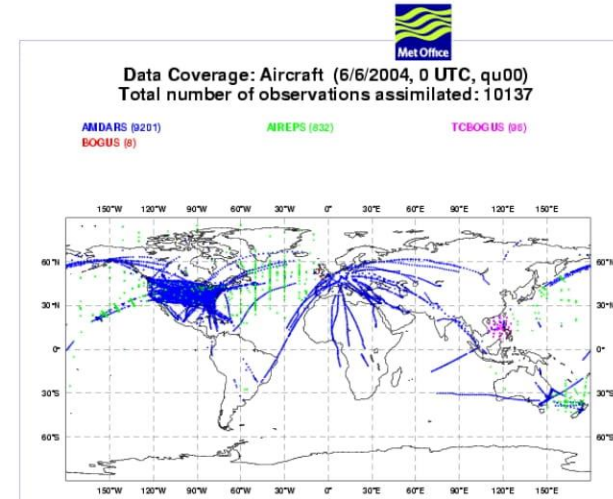
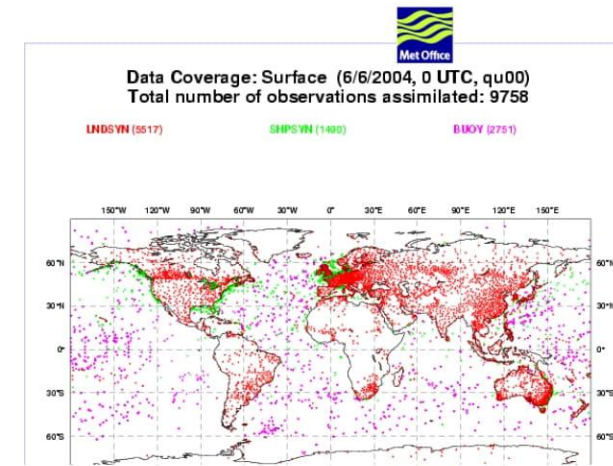
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How do we create the IC?



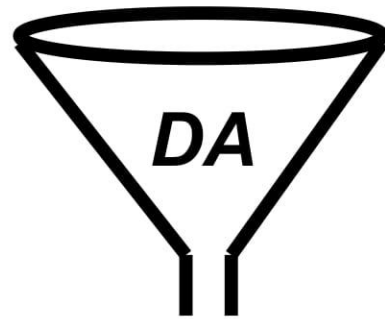
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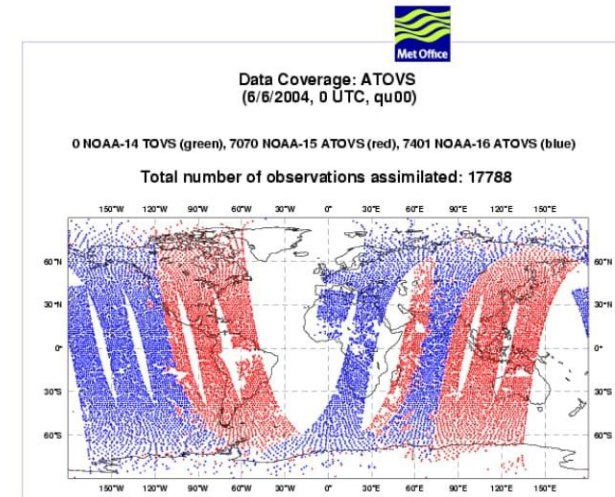
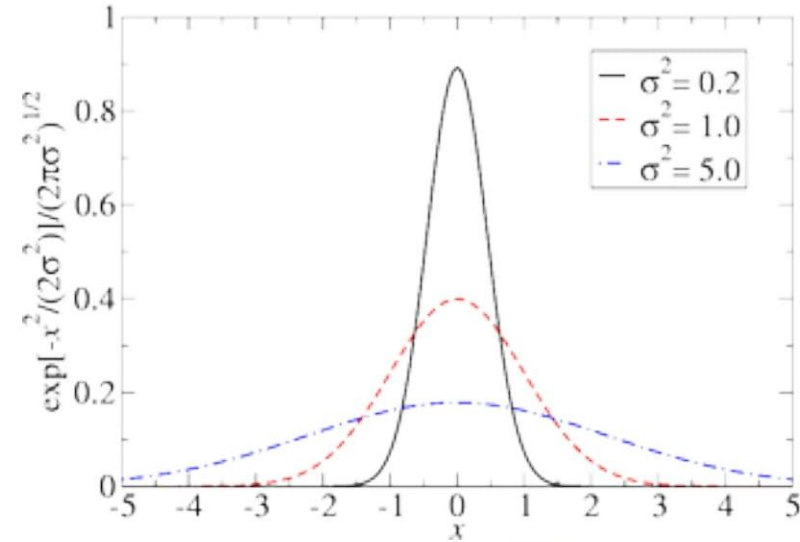
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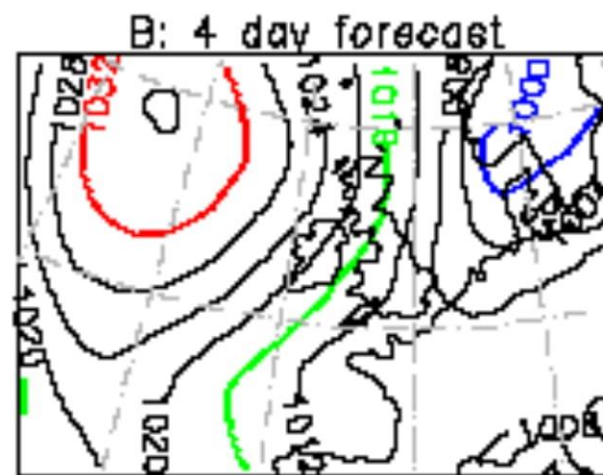
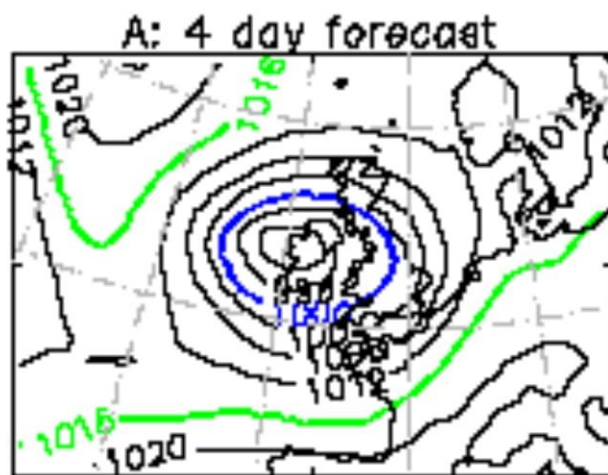
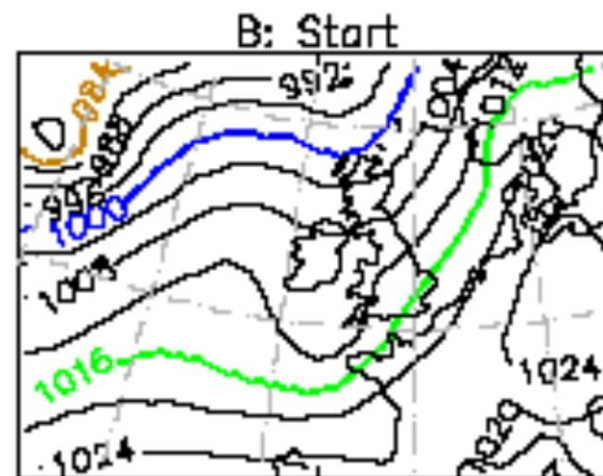
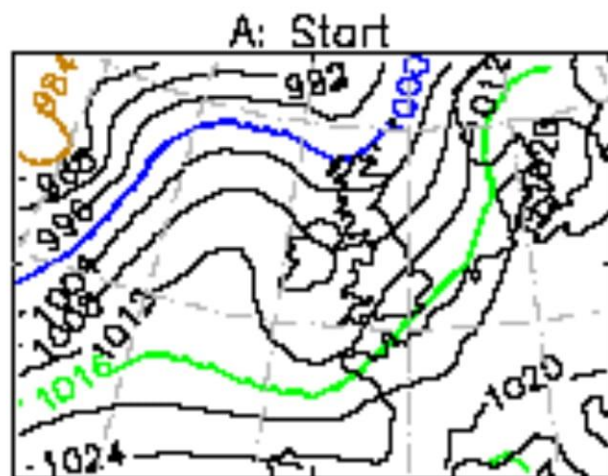


IC 1 IC 2

- We get a different IC!



Small errors in the IC grow rapidly and affect predictability

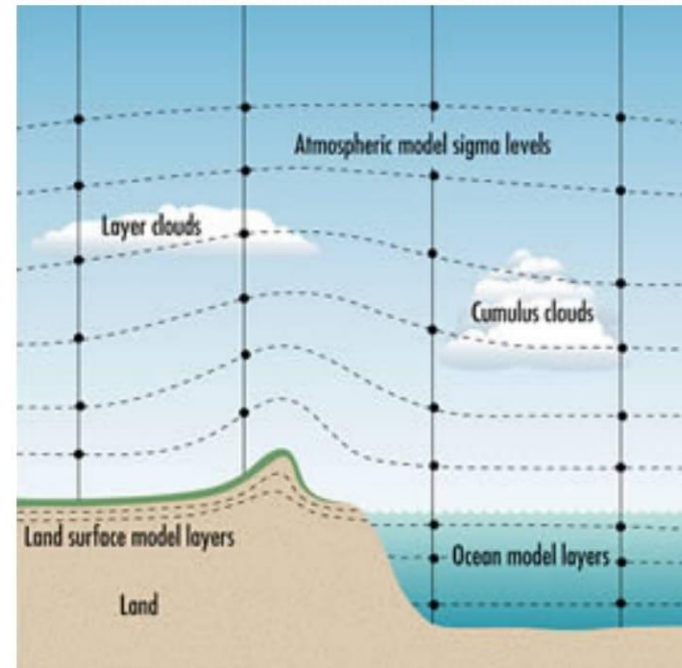


Model uncertainties

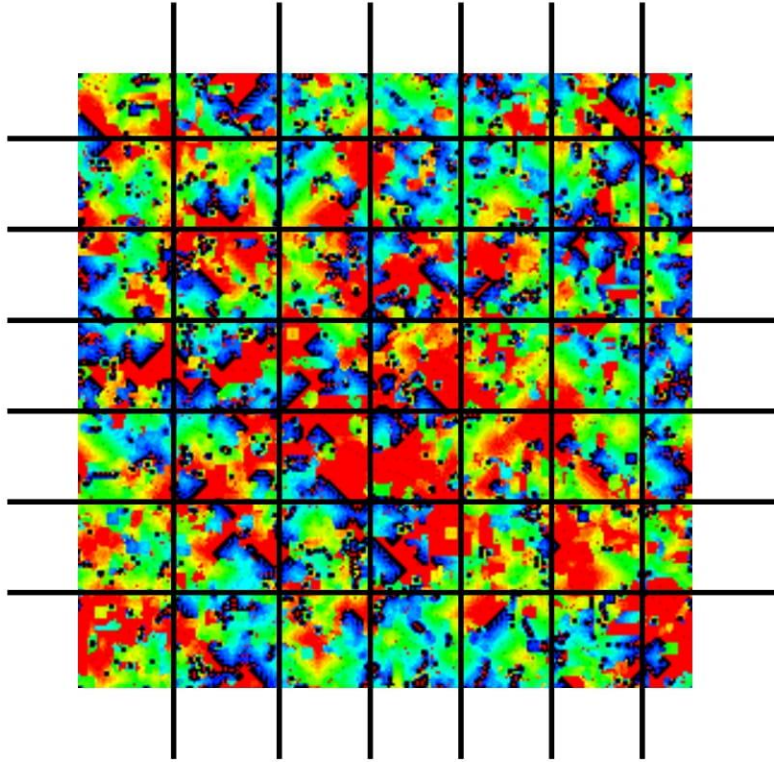
All models are imperfect!

Incomplete knowledge of the atmosphere

Limited resolution of the models (i.e. some scales cannot be resolved!)

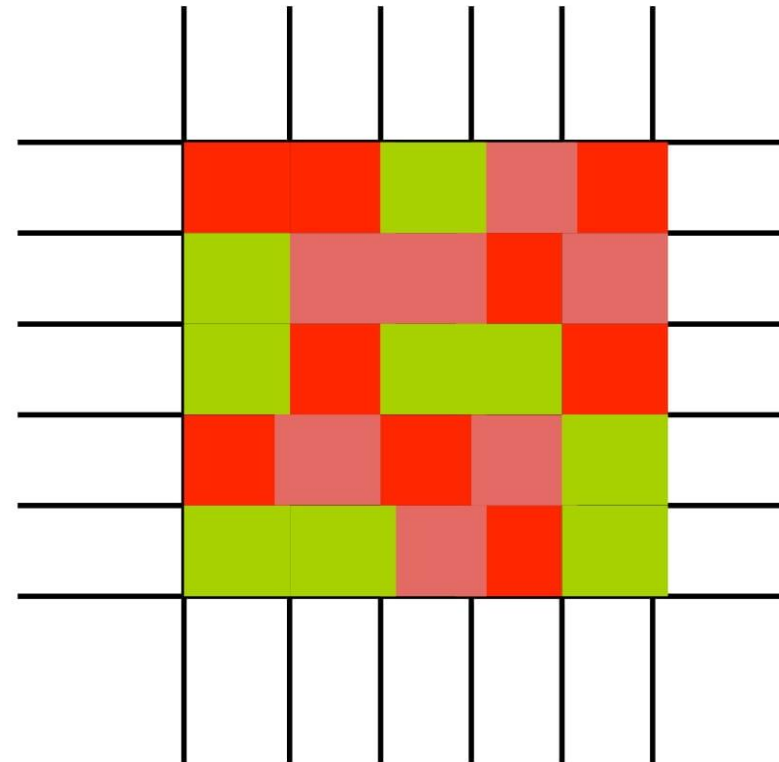


Model uncertainty: Subgrid variability



Small scale

Global model



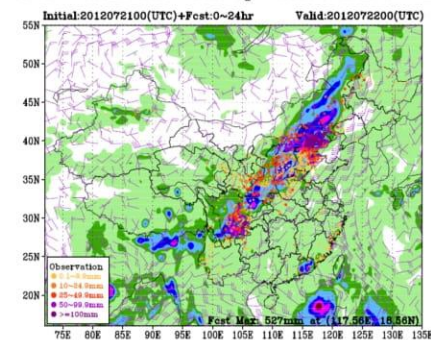
Suggestion

- Even NWP systems are more accuracy than ever before, systems always have uncertainties in initial condition and model. The more forecaster **understand** how the products are generated, the better forecaster can use them.
- Forecaster could find the merit and weakness of a model. To use the numerical products by a reasonable way, forecaster could **add a value** to weather prediction, to provide more accuracy and more usefully weather prediction.
- But, it is really a challenge to find the merit and weakness of a model. Forecaster must work very hard to find out. Extra knowledge and **experiences**, like understand local weather climate, or historic weather cases analysis, will help forecaster to use/control numerical products.

Too much model and too much information!

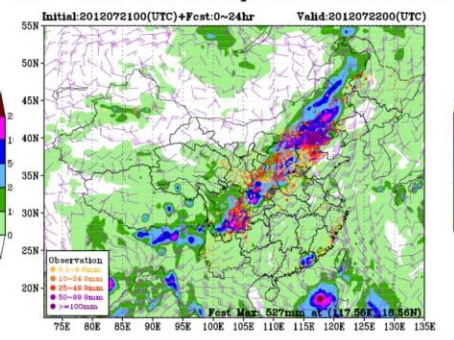
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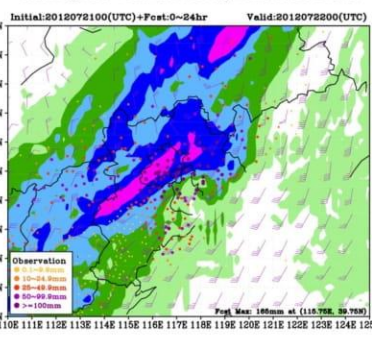
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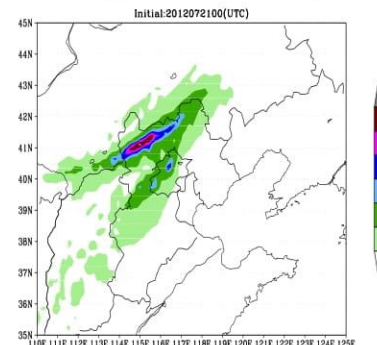
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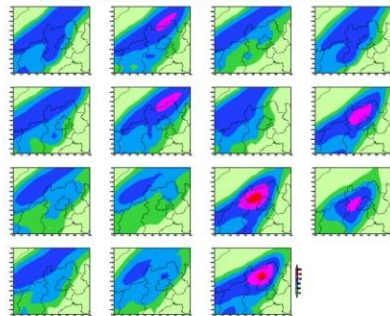


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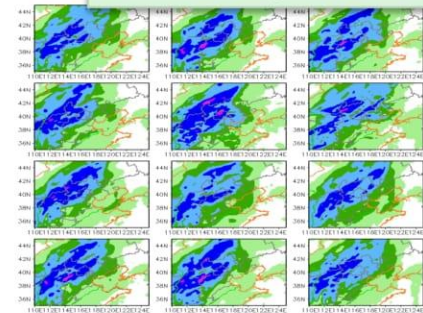
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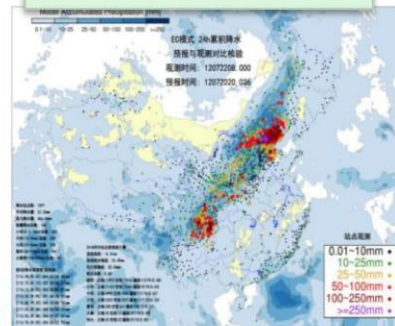
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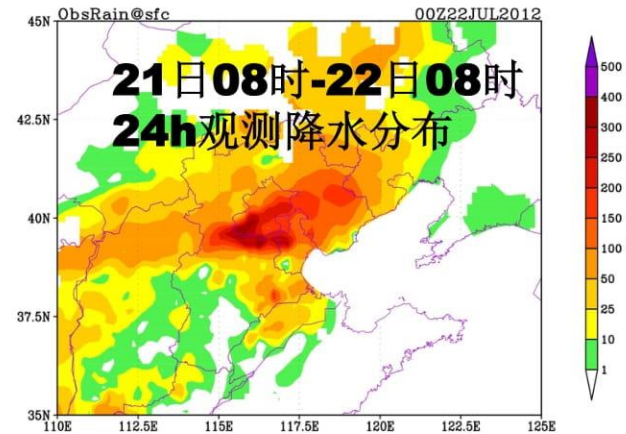
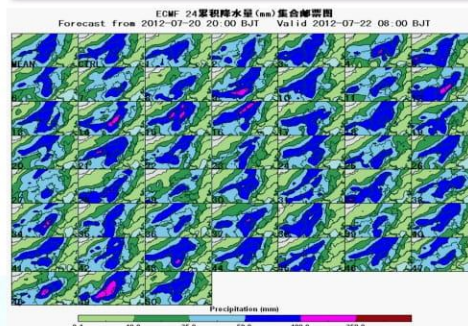
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How does a forecaster
can digest so many
information!

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