



Nearshore Wave Prediction System

v1.0.0

CCB Meeting

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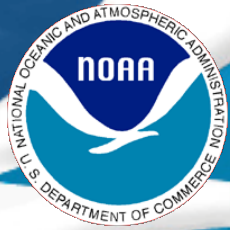
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Outline

1. Quad chart
2. Need for nearshore wave guidance
3. NWPS system design
4. Input, output and data flow
5. System loading and Validation
6. Implementation schedule



Nearshore Wave Prediction System (NWPS) V1.0.0

Project Status as of 05/29/2015



Project Information and Highlights

Lead: Hendrik Tolman, EMC and Becky Cosgrove, NCO

Scope:

1. Centralized implementation of NWPS that is currently run locally at a number of coastal WFOs.
2. Involves separate implementations for approx. 20 WFOs, using shared basic scripting.
3. Novel on-demand run triggering.

Expected Benefits:

1. Resolution of coastal wave model guidance improved from 4 arc-min (with ww3 multi_1) to at least 1 arc-min.
2. Wave guidance consistent with forecaster-developed wind fields.
3. Improved economy of scale of centralized computing compared to distributed computing.



Issues/Risks

Issues:

Risks:

Mitigation:

Implementation shifted by 2 quarters to allow additional development and testing. Sandy implementation milestone (FY15Q4) unaffected.



Scheduling

Milestone (NCEP)	Date	Status
Initial coordination with SPA team	01/31/2015	In progress
EMC testing complete/ EMC CCB approval	02/28/2015 → 06/09	
Code delivered to NCO	02/28/2015 → 06/09	
Technical Information Notice Issued	03/31/2015 → 07/01	
SPA begins prep work for 30 day test	03/02/2015 → 06/02	
30-day evaluation begins	03/09/2015 → 07/01	
30-day evaluation ends	04/07/2015 → 08/01	
IT testing ends	03/27/2015 → 07/31	
Management Briefing	04/24/2015 → 08/15	
Implementation (2 pilot offices, MFL & BOX)	04/28/2015 → 09/01	
Implementation (remaining 20 offices in SR&ER)	09/30/15	



Finances

Associated Costs:

- 1) \$250,000 - Applied to IBM Task Order 4 to augment WCOSS by 4 nodes (approx 1%). A *continuous (24 h) reservation of these 4 nodes is required for this on-demand system.*
- 2) \$147,180 - To hire dedicated SPA for extended testing and implementation period (Sept-Nov 2014, Mar-Jul 2015)

Funding Sources: **Sandy Supplemental;** OST development funding.

AWIPS changes: An NWPS run configuration GUI and additional nearshore wave products have been added to builds 14.4.1 and 15.1.1.



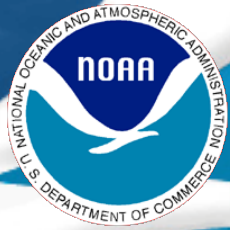
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Potential Management Attention Needed

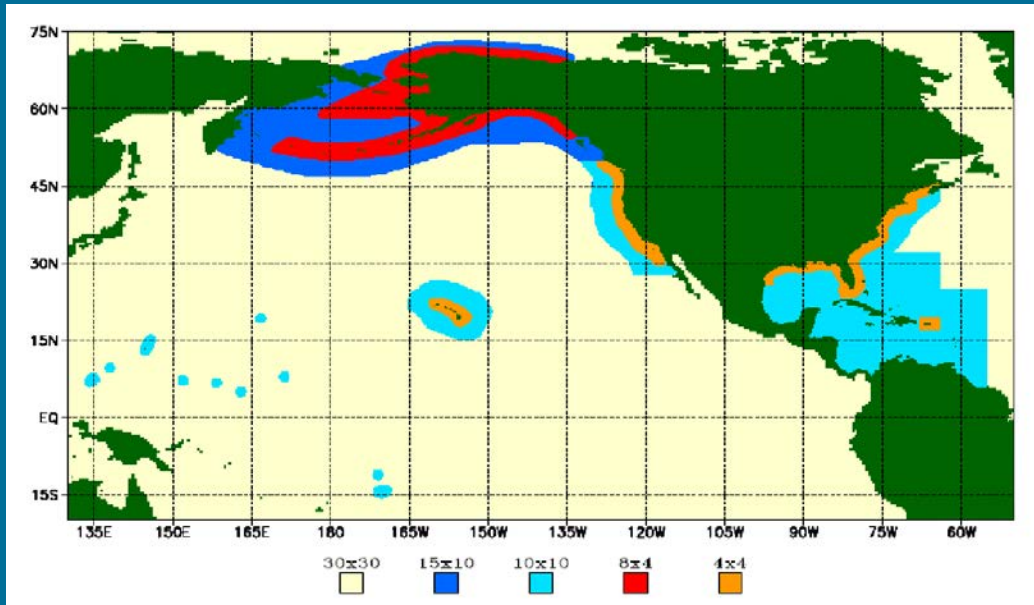


On Track



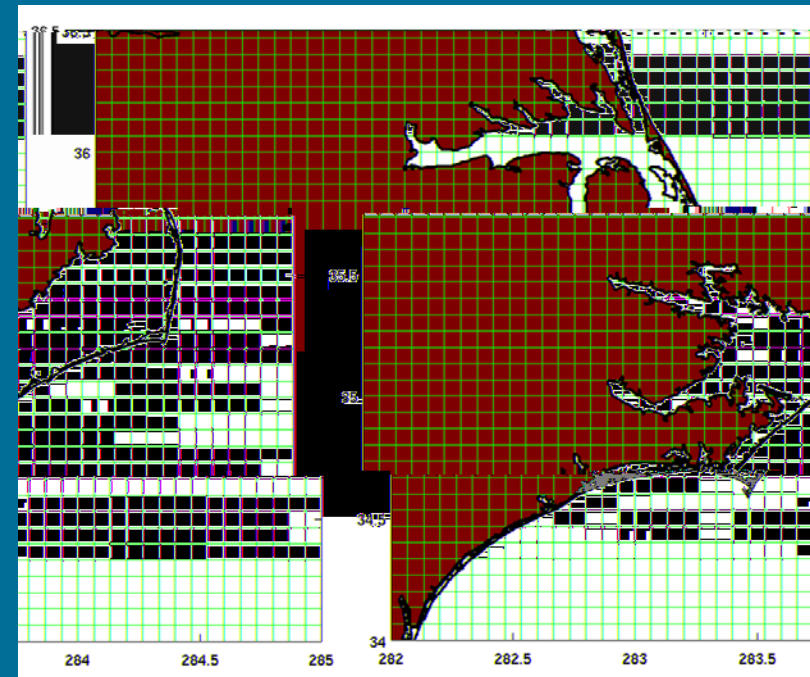
NCEP Wave guidance products

WAVEWATCH 3 Multi_1 global grid mosaic

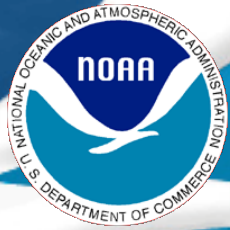


- Max. coastal resolution = 4 arc-min (7.5 km)
- Forced by GFS

Nearshore downscaling

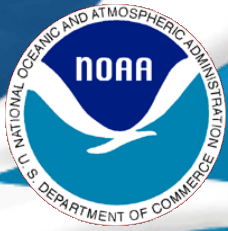


- Req. resolution = 500 m - 1.85 km
- Forecaster wind fields (GFE)



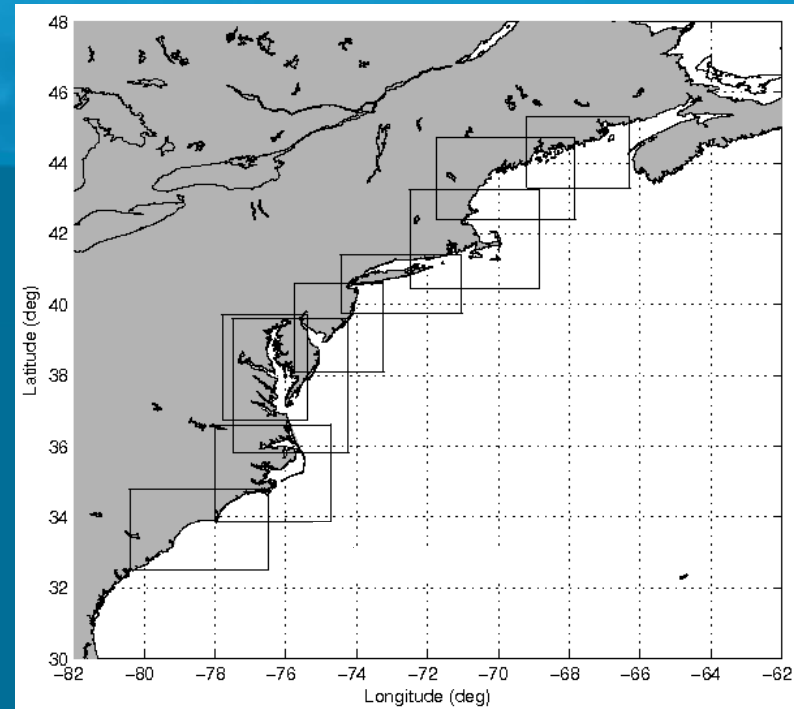
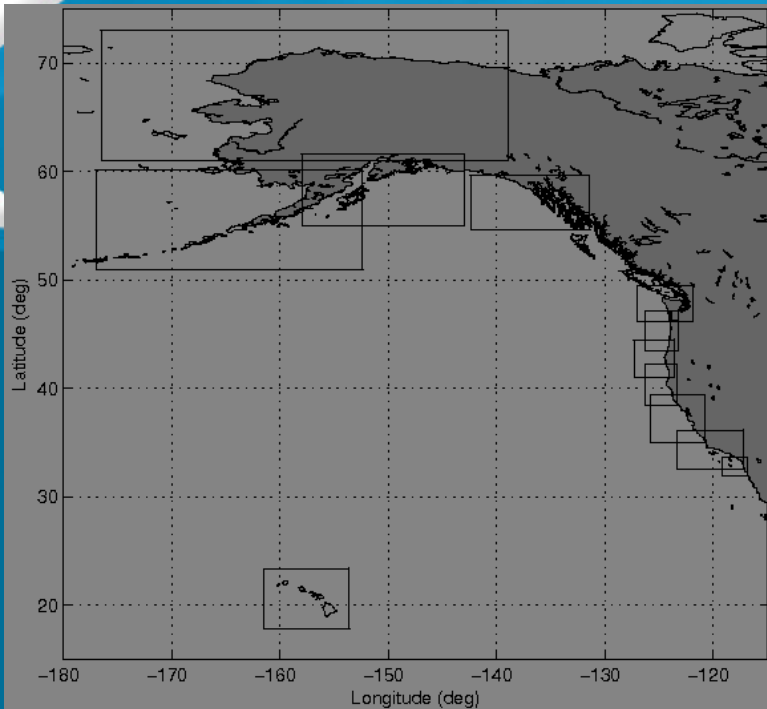
The Nearshore Wave Prediction System (NWPS)

- Run on-demand, using open-source wave model SWAN.
 - Driven by forecaster-developed winds from GFE (AWIPS2), and other NCEP forcings (e.g. WW3 BCs, RTOFS/ESTOFS).
 - Included in the AWIPS2 baseline for sustainability.
 - Addresses region-specific physical processes in the nearshore (wave-current interaction, ice interaction, vegetation, etc.).
 - Includes wave partitioning (separates wave field into component systems). In future: rip current and wave run-up guidance.
- * WFO-based pilot project (WFO Eureka) transitioned to NCEP
- * Sandy Supplemental Milestone FY15Q4

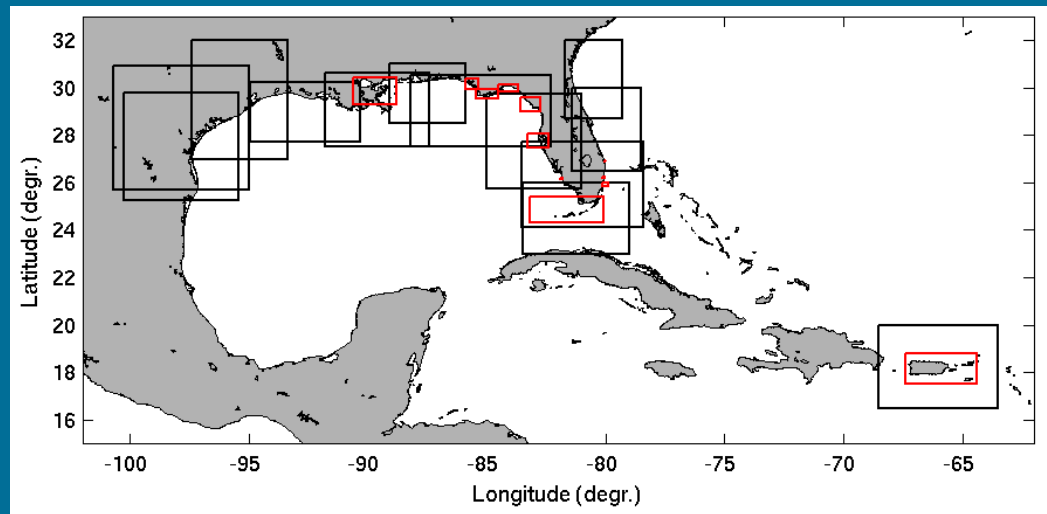


Model configuration

- Spectral wave model SWAN v40.81, enhanced with wave partitioning (similar to WW3 v4.18).
- Wave system tracking from WW3 v4.18 (IBM optimized).
- Experimental rip current guidance (Dusek and Seim, 2013).
- Source terms, deep water (SWAN default): Komen et al. (1984), as recalibrated by Rogers et al. (2003).
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- Run length = 102 h, 2 cycles/day. Initiated on-demand by WFOs.
- Grid resolution: 1.8 km resolution outer grid (CG1), with optional nests typically at 500 m resolution (CG2-5).

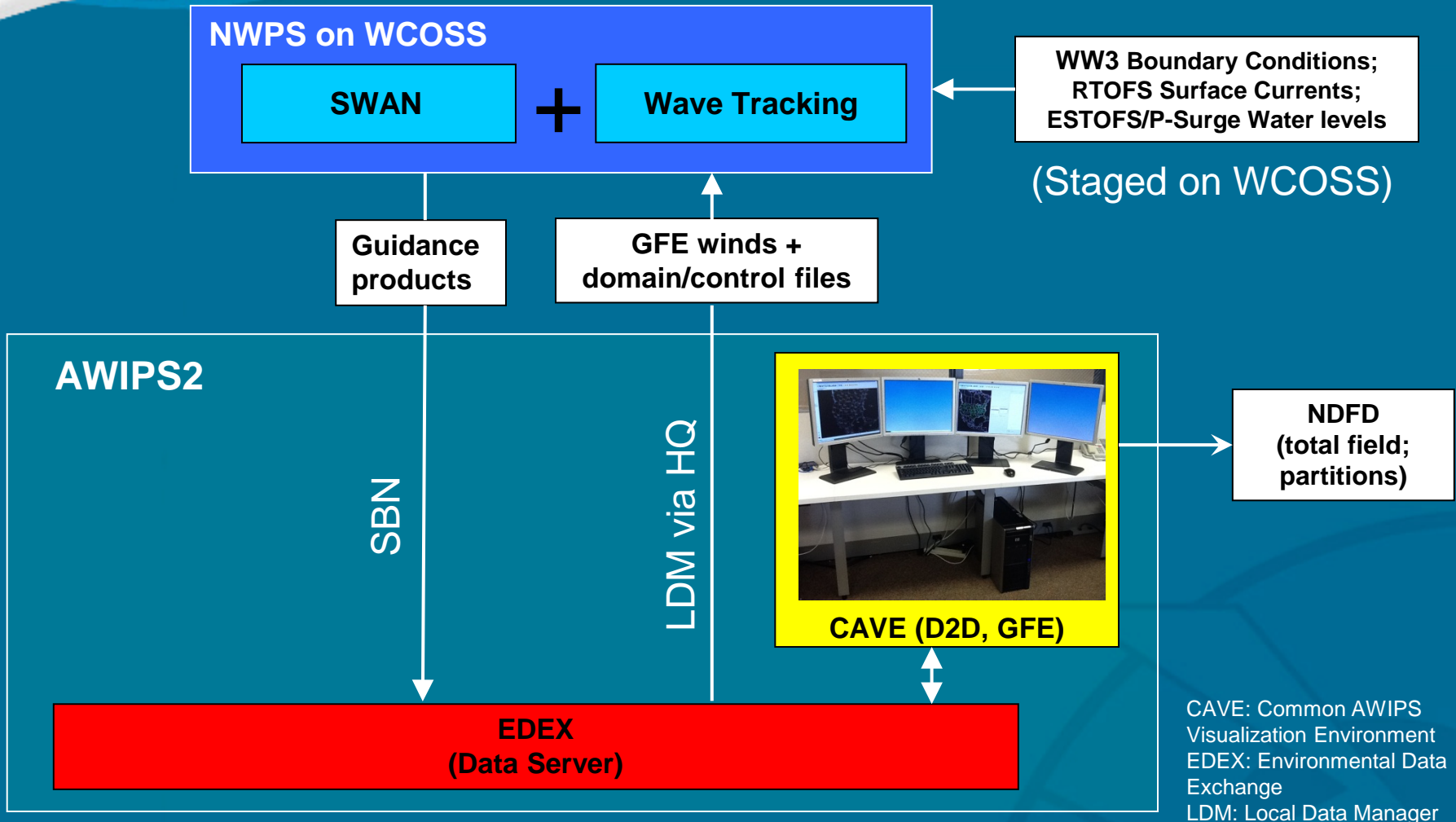


NWPS grids for coastal WFOs





NWPS Architecture (WFO view)



CAVE: Common AWIPS Visualization Environment
EDEX: Environmental Data Exchange
LDM: Local Data Manager





AWIPS User Interface (v14.4.1/v15.1.1)

Run_NWPS Values

How Long Do You Want To Run NWPS: 102

Boundary Conditions:

- WNAWave
- TAFB-NWPS
- HIRWave

Model Start Time:

- 20150211_1200
- 20150211_1800
- 20150212_0000
- No

Local or NCEP:

- Local
- NCEP

Model Core:

- SWAN
- NWW
- INSWAN

Send Output to Web:

- Yes
- No

Plot Output:

- Yes
- No

Model Start Time (continued):

- 20150212_0600
- 20150212_1200
- 20150212_1800
- 20150213_0000

Check www.srh.noaa.gov/rtimages/nhc/wfo_boundary_conditions for up to date files for your SITE**
Line matching your selected Model Start Time

**Boundary Conditions: OPC/TAFB-NWPS: CHE
NOTE: make sure there is a file time stamp onli

Hotstart:

- True
- False

Waterlevels:

- ESTOFS
- PSURGE
- No

If PSURGE % Exceedance Hgt:

- 10
- 20
- 30
- 40
- 50

Run Hi Res NEST:

- Yes
- No

RTOFS Currents:

- Yes
- No

Model Time:

- 1200
- 900
- 600
- 300

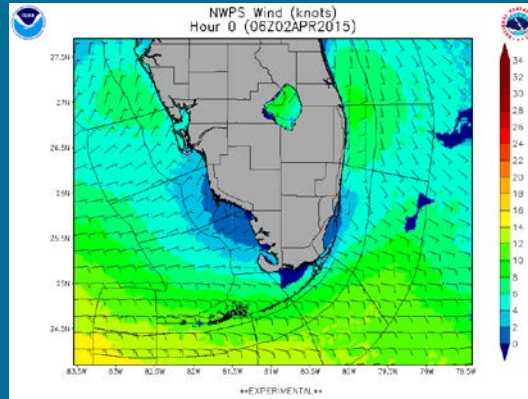
OK Cancel





Data input (from each WFO via LDM)

1. GFE wind file (GRIB2)
(produced in AWIPS)



2. DOMAIN file (txt)

```
-----  
# Domain File  
# Original Author(s): Roberto Padilla-Hernandez,Douglas Gaer,  
# Alex Gibbs, Pablo Santos,Tony Freeman  
# File Creation Date: 06/01/2012  
# Date Last Modified: 02/01/13  
#  
# Version control: 1.33  
#  
# Support Team:  
#  
# Contributors:  
#  
# ----- Description and Details -----  
#  
# File used to setup a geographical domain for SWAN and W3  
#  
# -----  
# MFL  
# GEOGRAPHICAL DOMAIN, GEOGRAPHICAL RESOLUTION AND OUTPUT TIME STEP =  
#-----  
export SITEID="MFL"  
export REGIONID="SR"  
export RELAT="27.70"  
export NELON="-79.41"  
export SWLAT="24.10"  
export SWLON="-83.54"  
#export RES="1.0"  
export RES="6"  
export TSTEP="3"
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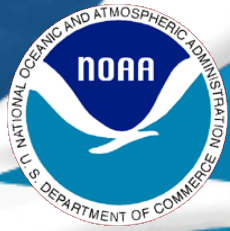
3. CONTROL file (txt)
(produced in AWIPS)

```
ssh ${SSHARGS} ldad@lsl echo "$RUNLEN:$WNA:$NEST:$GS:$WINDS:$WEB:$PLOT:$DELTA:$SHOTSTART:$SESTOFS:$SCORE >  
/data/ldad/nwps/input/inp_args" 2>&1 | tee -a $logfile
```



Size = ~2 Mb zipped/WFO site





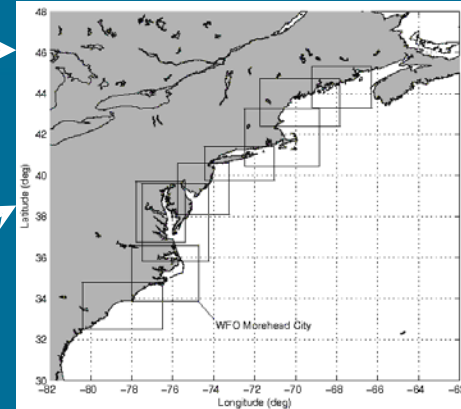
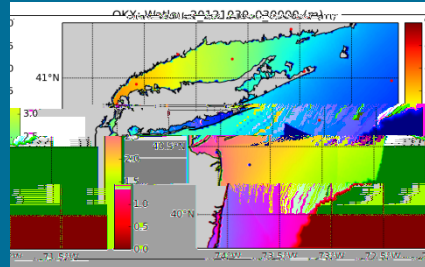
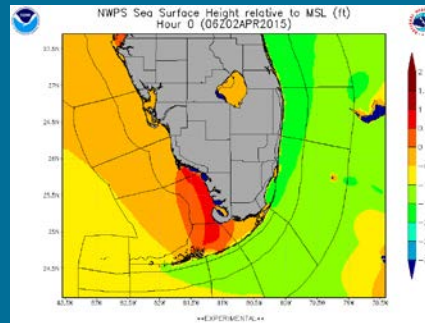
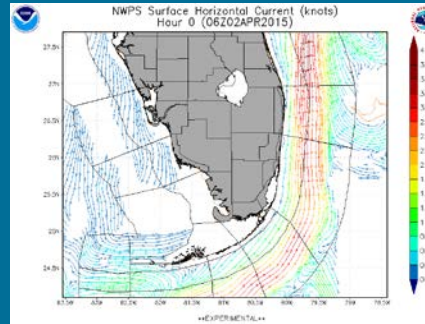
Data input (Staged on WCOSS)

1. WAVEWATCH III boundary spectra (txt)

2. RTOFS surface current fields (txt)

3. ESTOFS water levels (txt)
(Extra-tropical conditions)

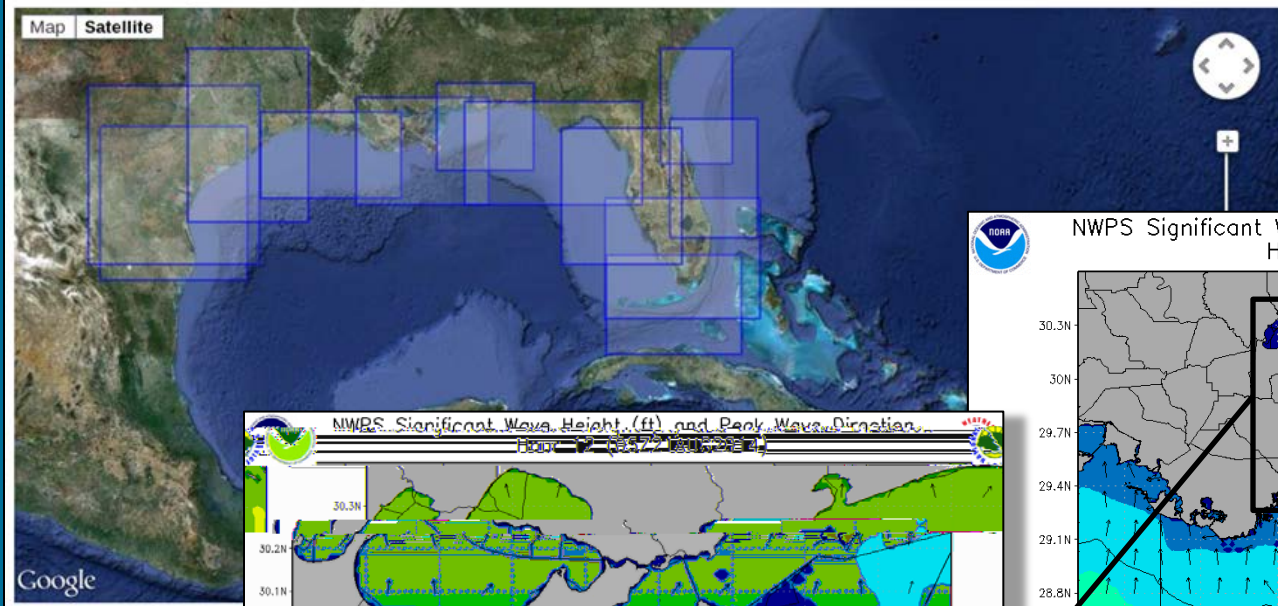
4. P-Surge water levels (txt)
(Tropical conditions)



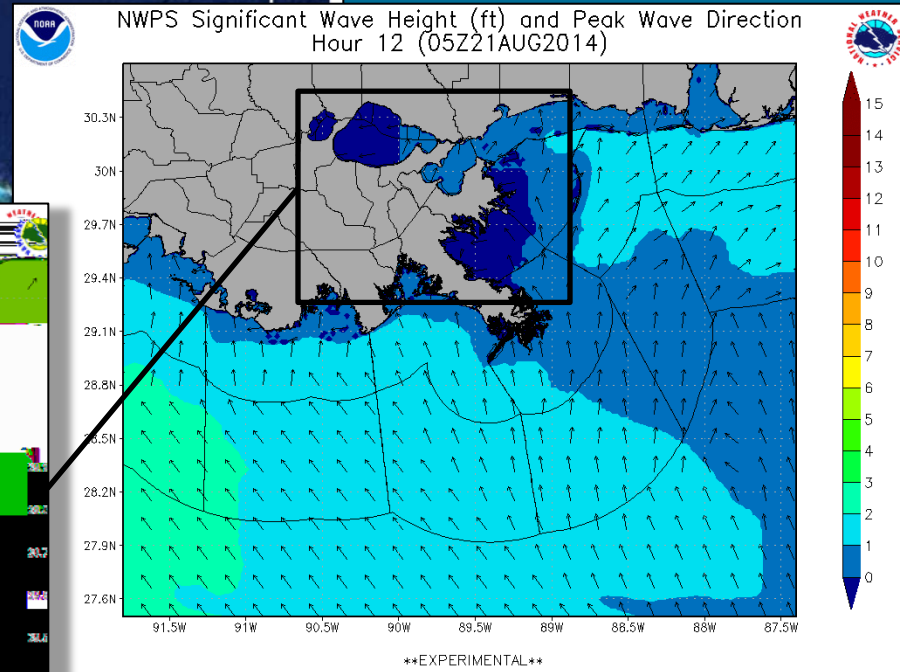
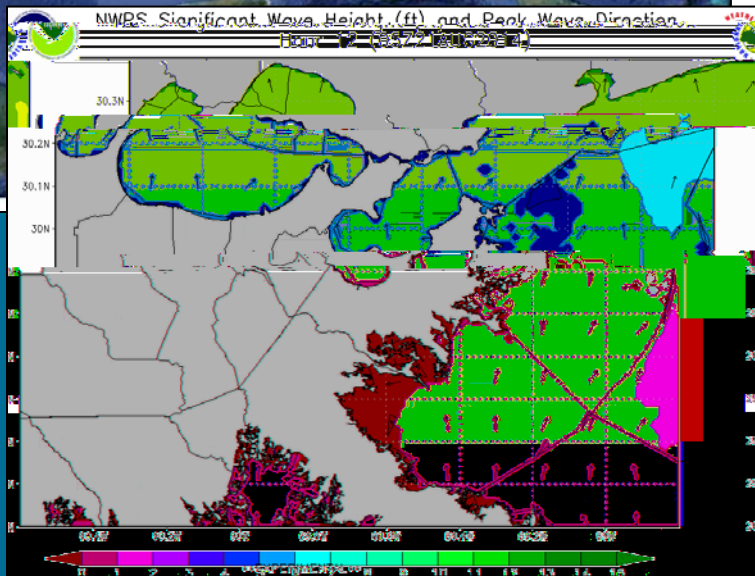


Example output for WFO New Orleans

Southern Region



WFO LIX, CG1
(1.8 km)



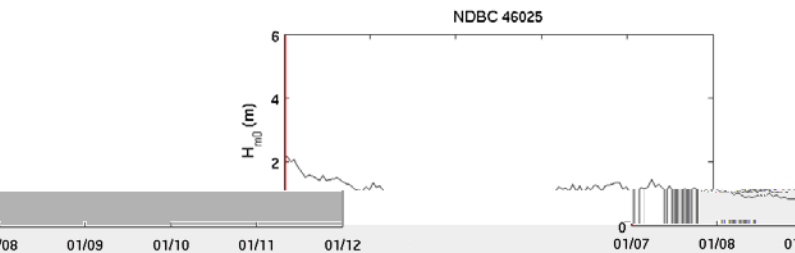
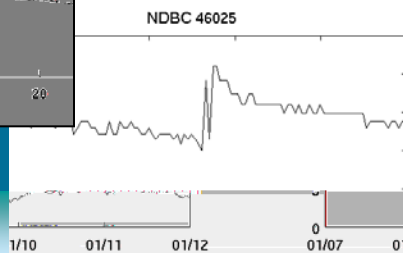
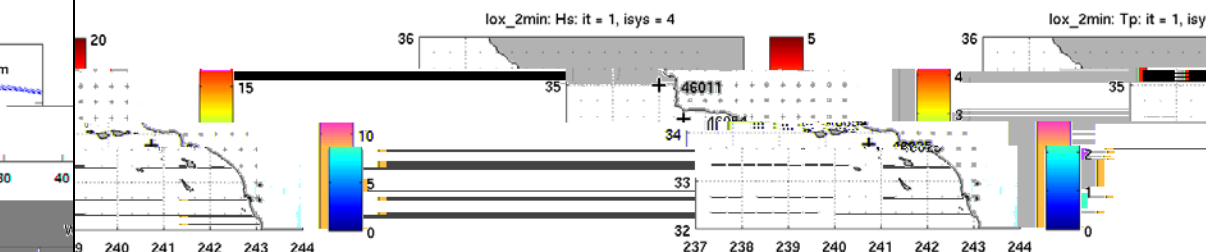
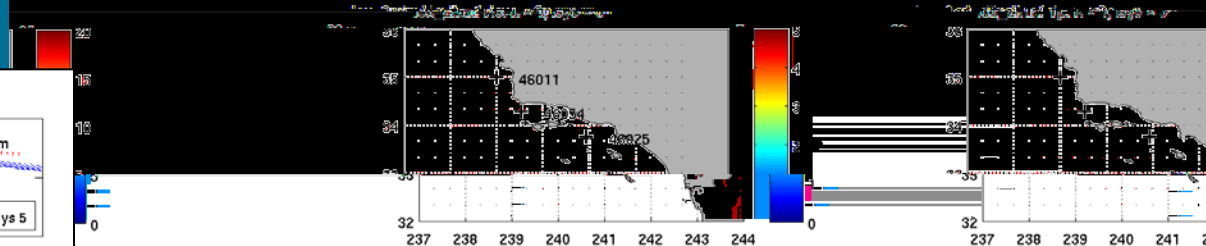
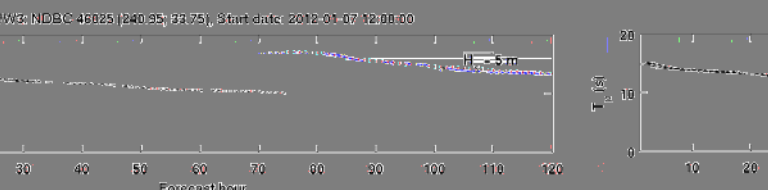
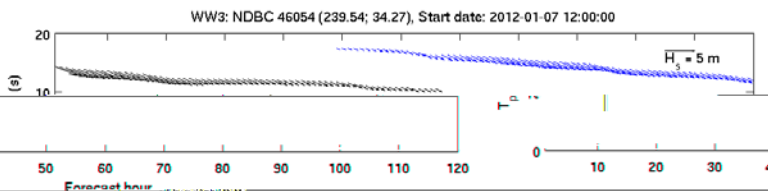
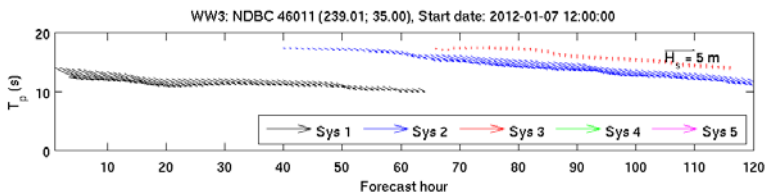
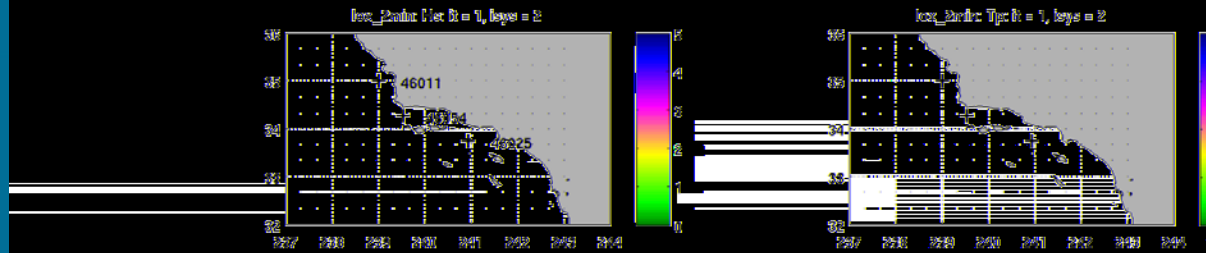
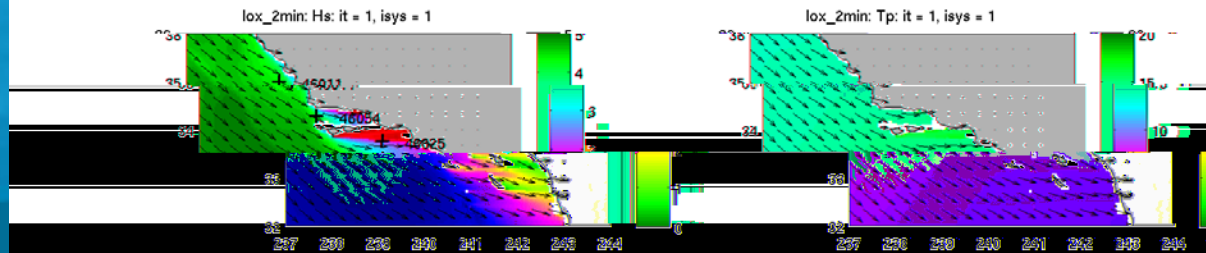
CG2
(500 m)





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Post-processing: Wave system tracking



→ Sys 1 → Sys 2 → Sys 3 → Sys 4 → Sys 5

1/10 01/11 01/12 01/07 01/08 01/09 01/10 01/11 01/12 01/07 01/08 01/09 01/10 01/11 01/12

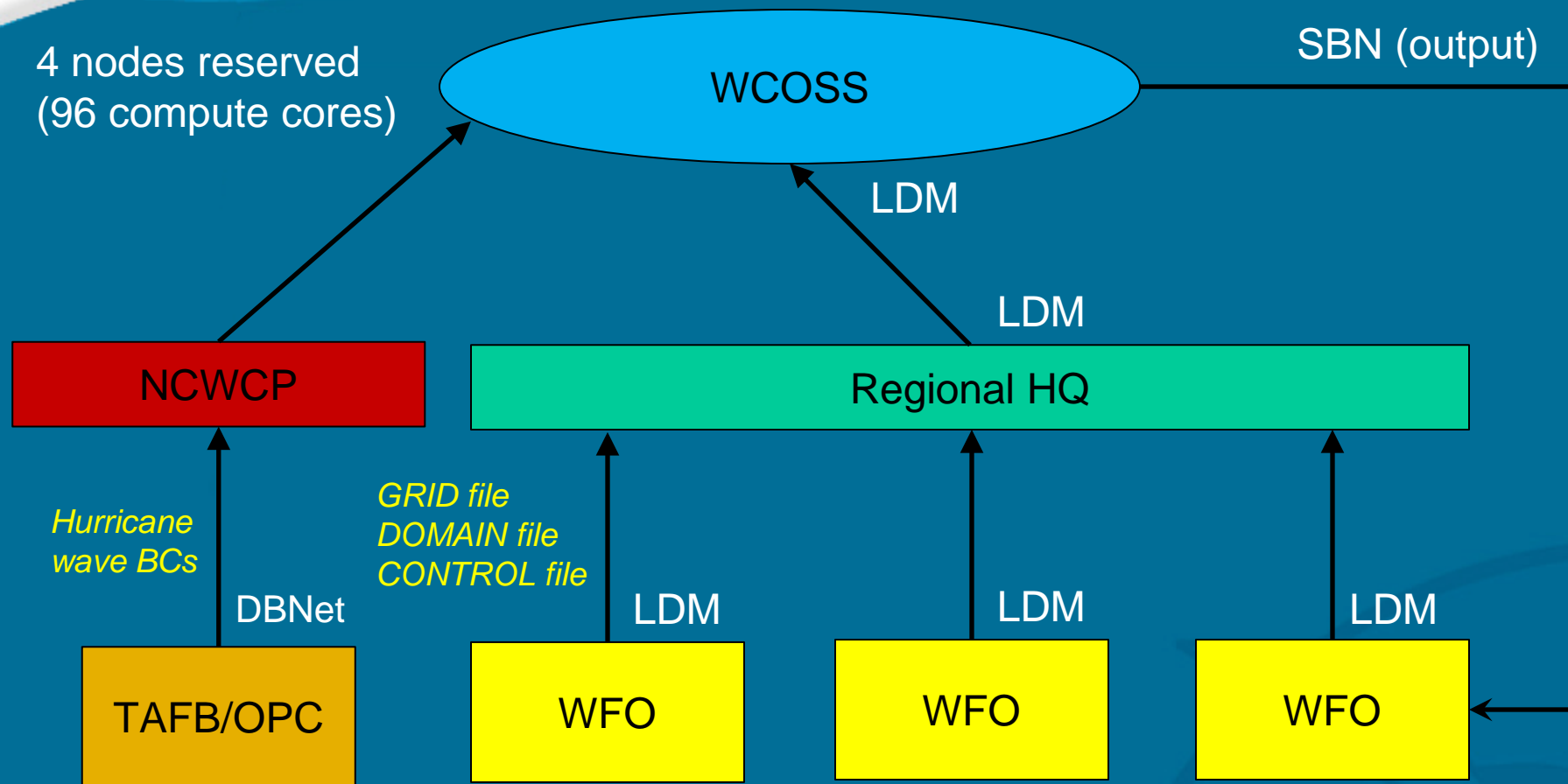


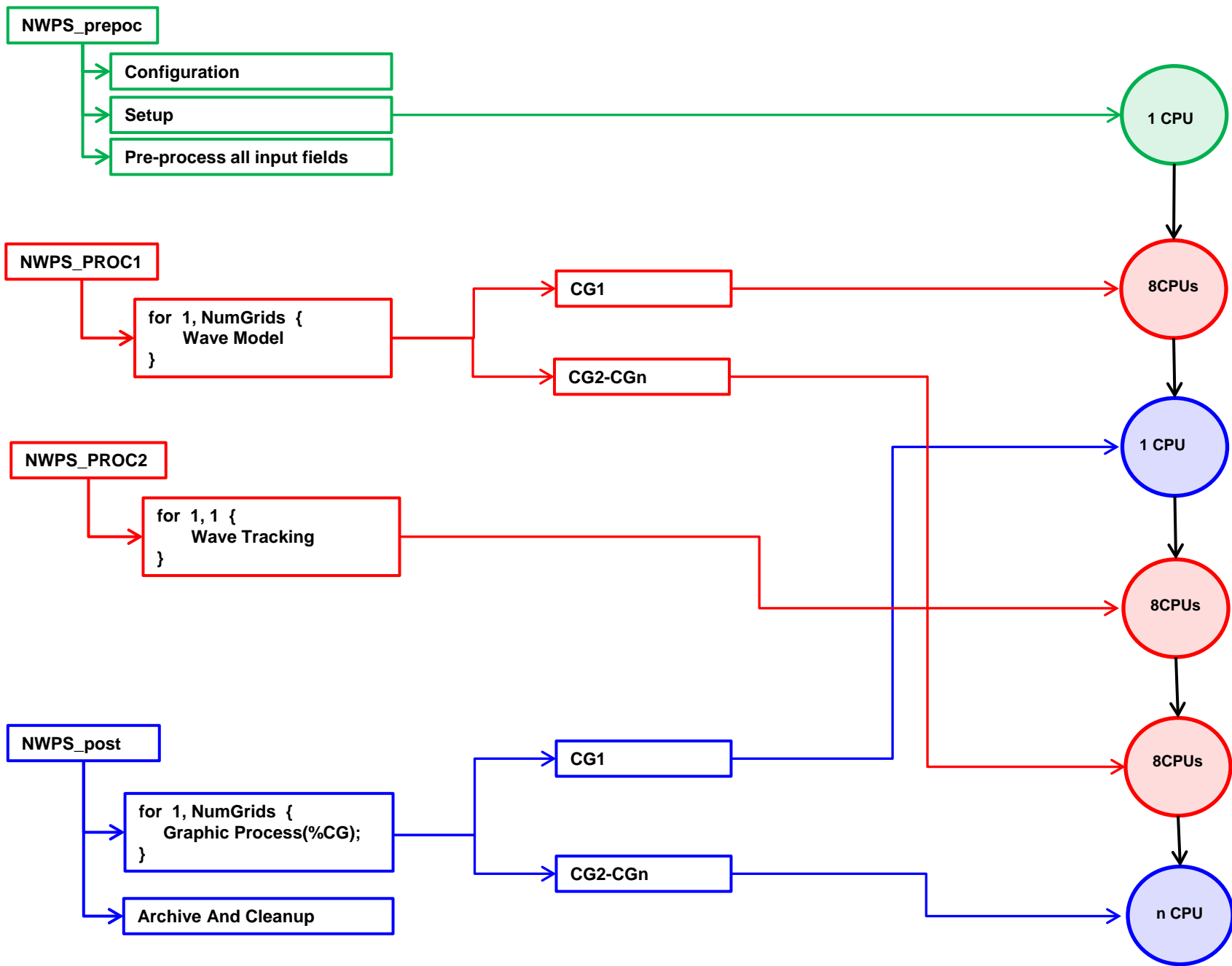
Guidance in GFE for producing forecast





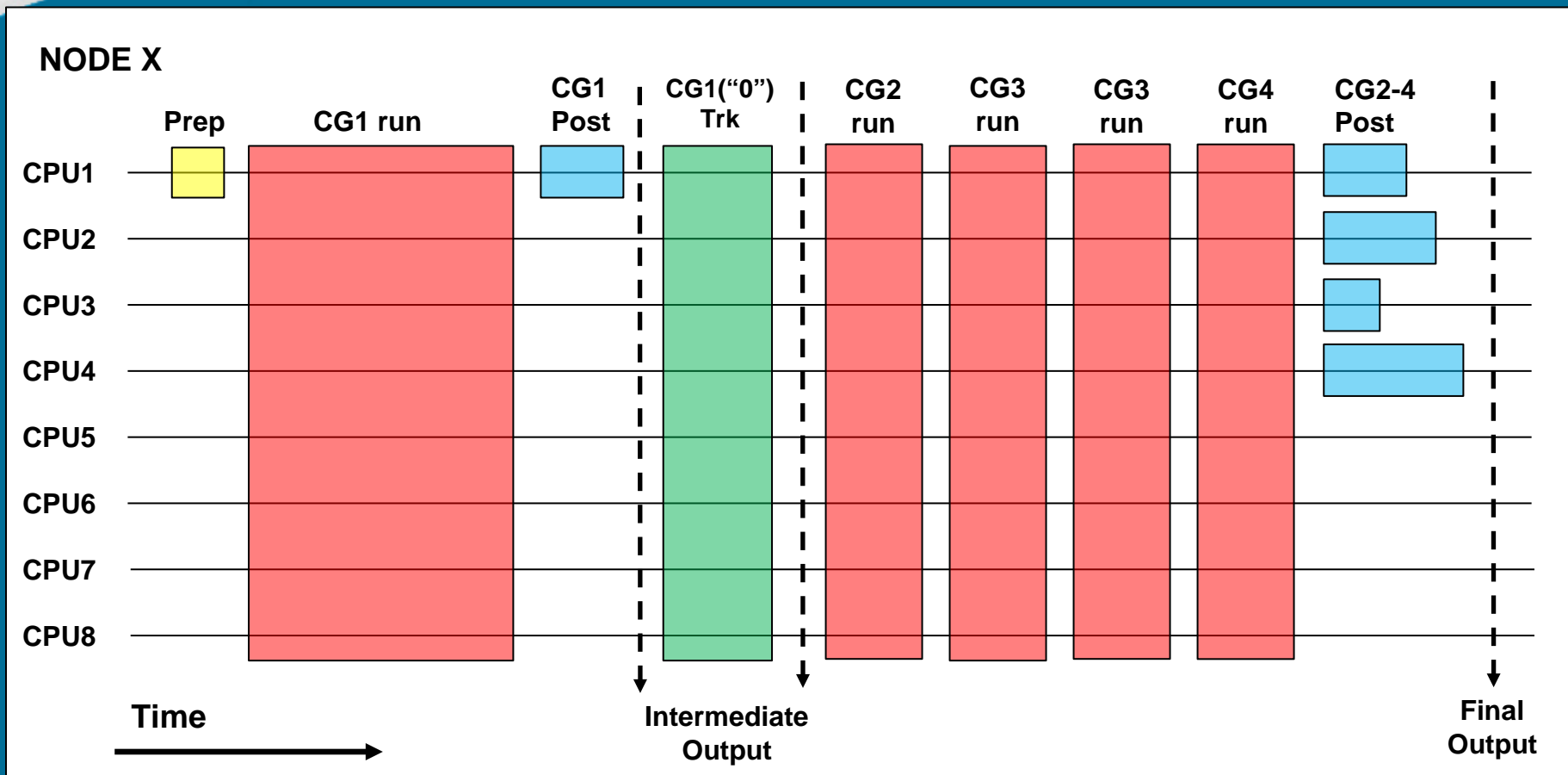
NWPS Architecture (Regional view)







Scheduling of jobs (single WFO)





WCOSS resources (single WFO)

PREP

Resource usage summary:

CPU time : 3:33 min:sec
Max Memory : 62 MB
Average Memory : 33.64 MB
Num of CPUs : 1

FORECASTCG1

Resource usage summary:

CPU time : 40:17 min:sec
Max Memory : 511 MB
Average Memory : 497.56 MB
Num of CPUs : 8

POST CG1

Resource usage summary:

CPU time : 9:38 min:sec
Max Memory : 1540 MB
Average Memory : 302.05 MB
Num of CPUs : 1

WAVETRACKING CG1 (Incl. Post-processing)

Resource usage summary:

CPU time : 21:22 min:sec
Max Memory : 3329 MB
Average Memory : 162.97 MB
Num of CPUs : 8

FORECASTCGn

Resource usage summary:

CPU time : Variable, WFO depend.
Max Memory : Variable
Average Memory : Variable
Num of CPUs : 8

POST CGn

Resource usage summary:

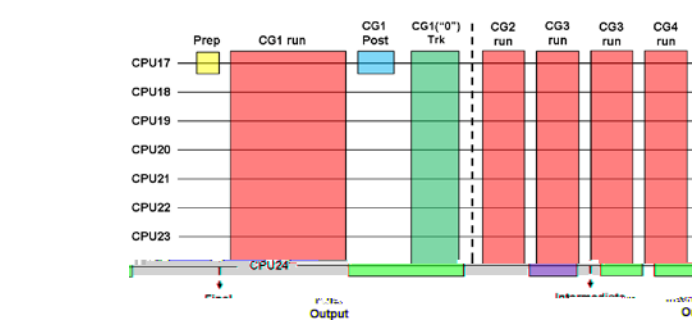
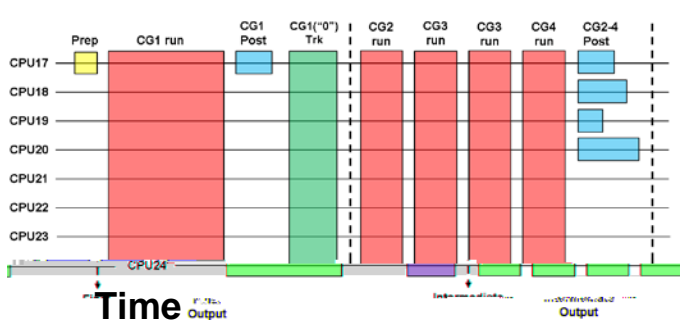
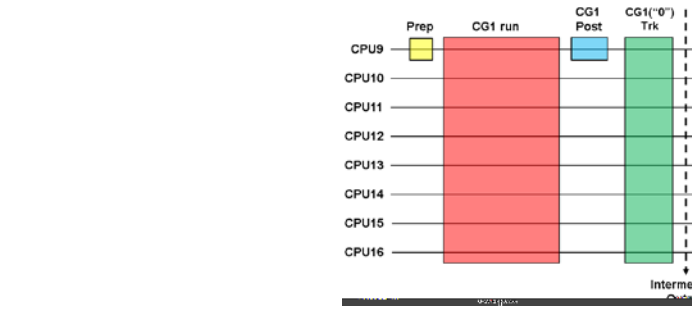
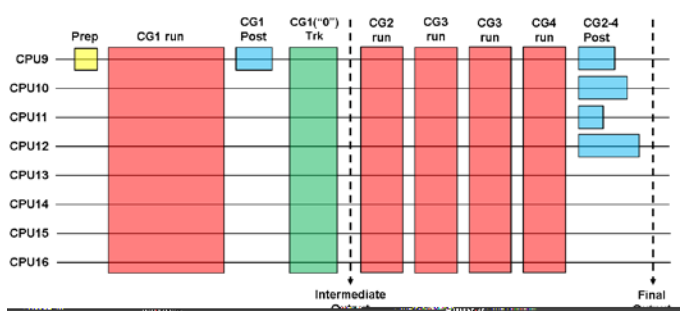
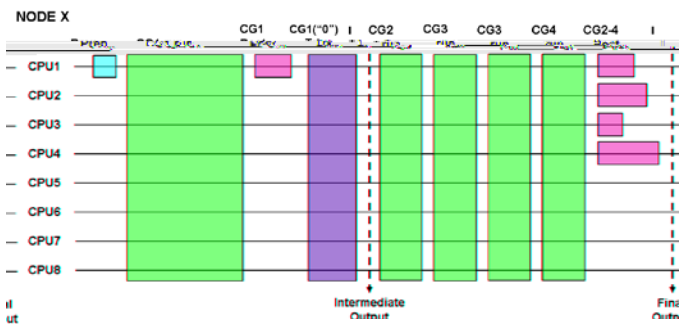
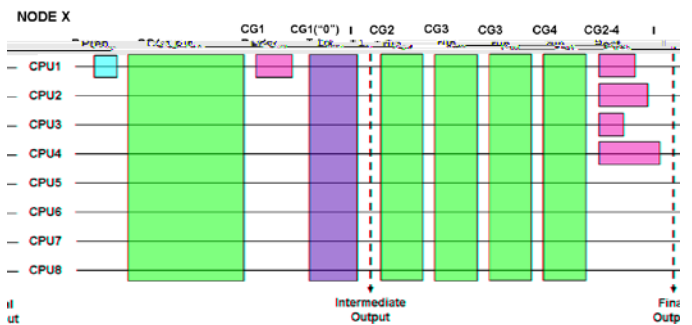
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Max Memory : Variable
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Num of CPUs : Up to 4

Estimated avg total per WFO: 2h25min; 3.4GB RAM





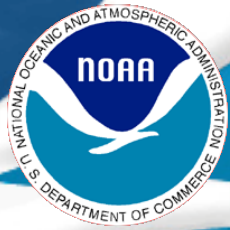
Scheduling of all jobs (per node)



Time →

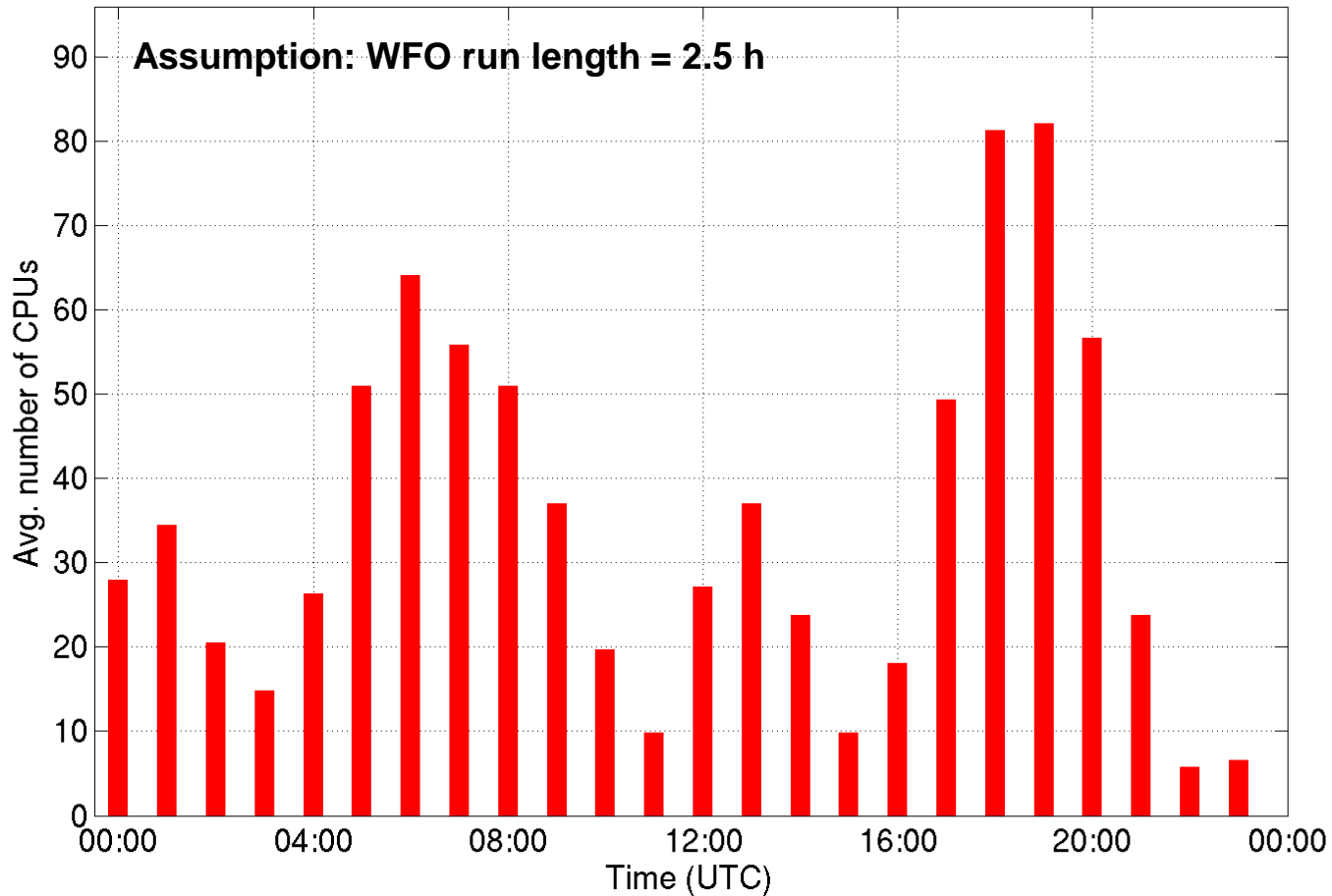
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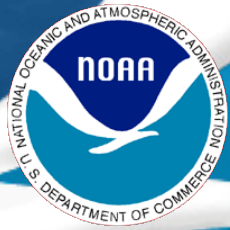




WCROSS resources (all WFOs, estimate)

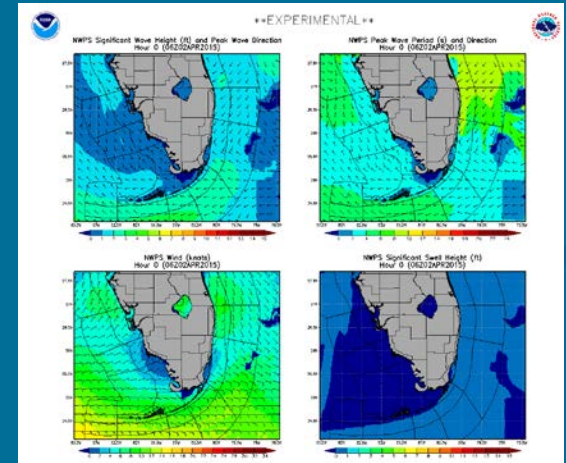
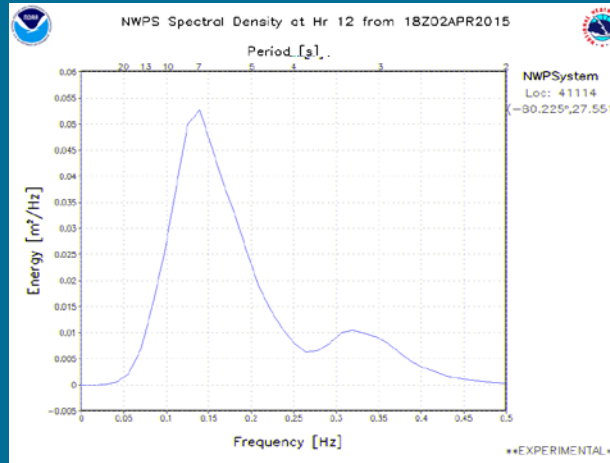
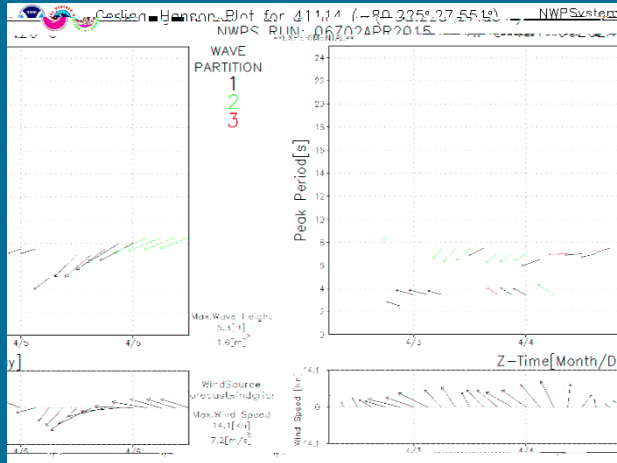
Concurrent NWPS runs during sample week of Dec 16-22, 2013 (scaled to 23 WFOs)





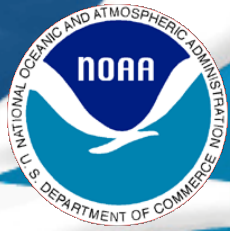
Data output

1. **GRIB2 files** with all parameters, per WFO per grid (CG1-5), with **WMO Headers**
2. **Png files** with wave partition time series (Gerling-Hanson plots)
3. **Png files** with wave spectra
4. **Png files** with wave fields
5. **Text files** with wave, water level and rip current output (MFL, MHX, TBW)

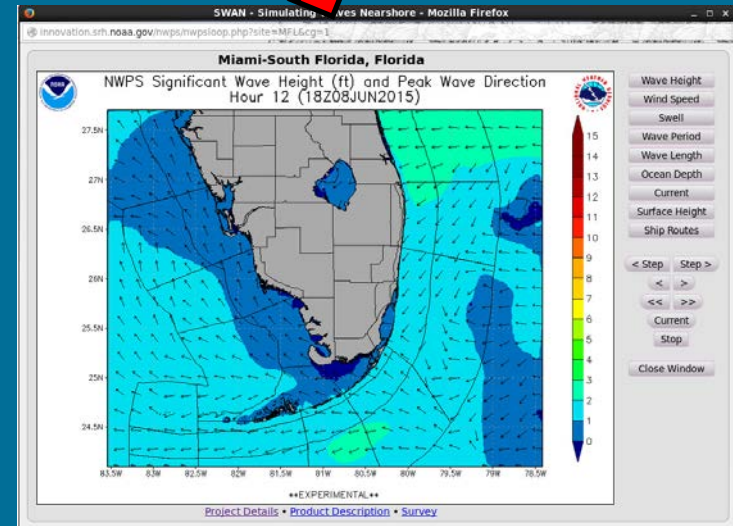
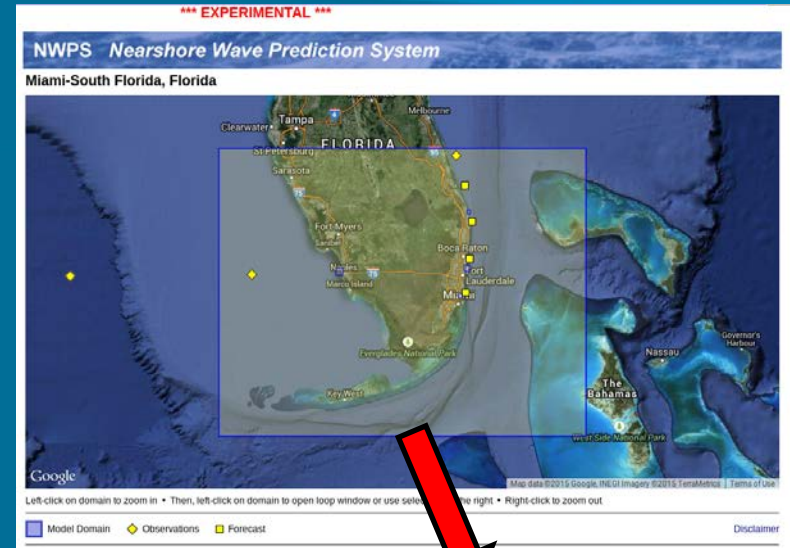


→ Total GRIB2 volume (23 WFOs, all domains) = 1.6 GB/cycle ~ 2x /day -> SBN
 Total PNG volume = 964 MB/cycle (18,866 files) ~ 2x /day -> EMC's Polar





Web graphics on EMC's Polar



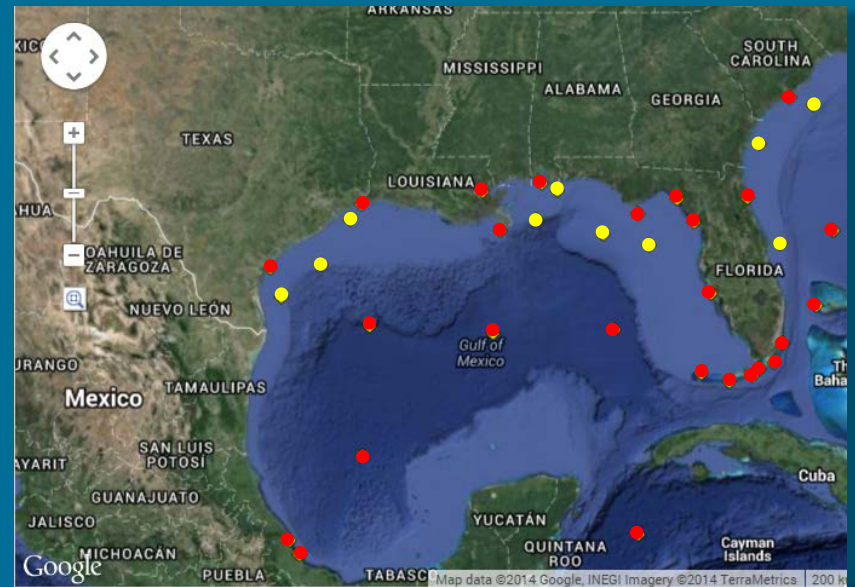
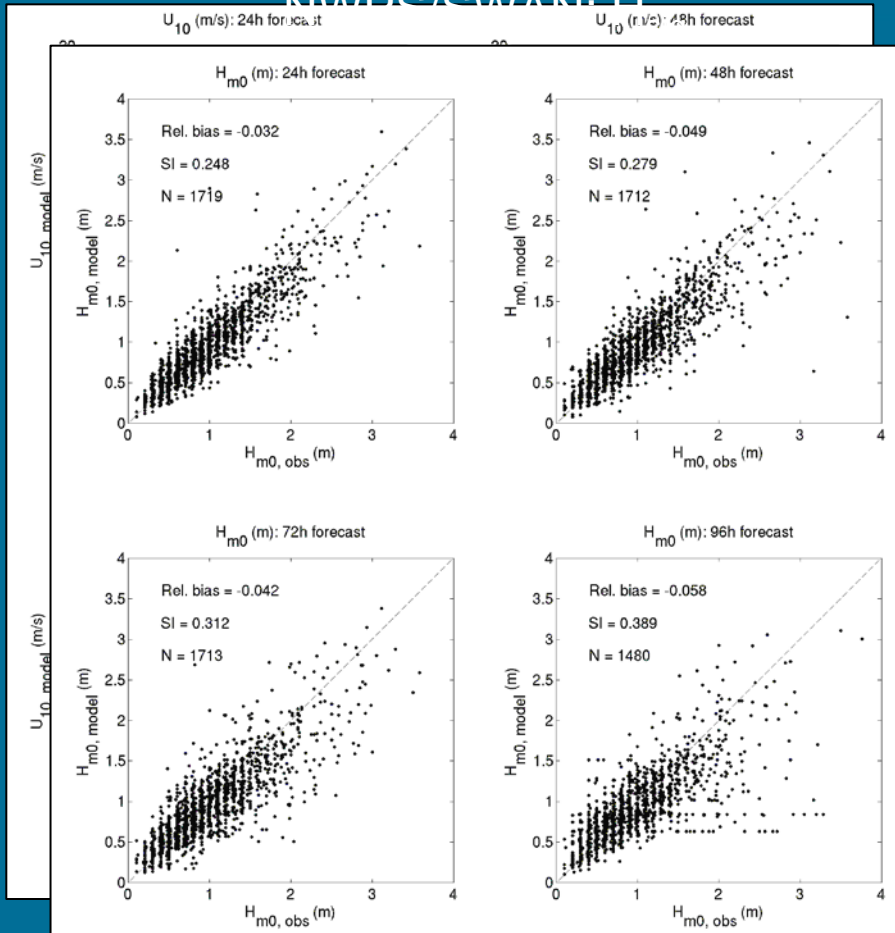
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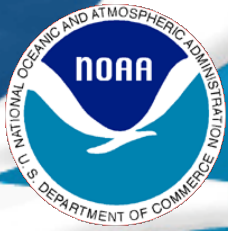
Validation at nearshore NDBC buoys

GFE winds: U_{10}
NDBC/SWAN: H_{m0}



Operational runs at SR WFOs:
2014/10/11-2015/05/20





Implementation schedule

- Code delivered to NCO – Jun 9, 2015
- SPA begins prep work for 30 day test – Jun 9, 2015
- TIN issued – Jul 1, 2015
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- IT testing ends – Jul 31, 2015
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- Management Briefing - Aug 15, 2015
- Implementation (MFL & BOX) – Sept 1, 2015
- Implementation (remaining 21 offices in SR & ER) – Sept 30, 2015