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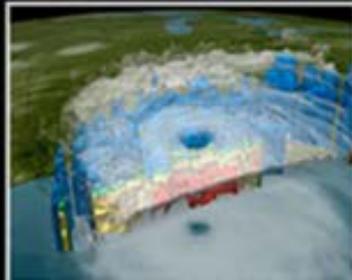
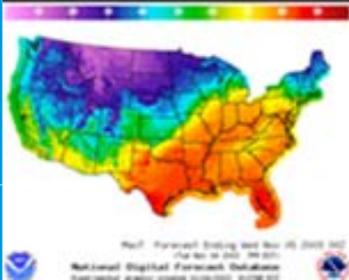
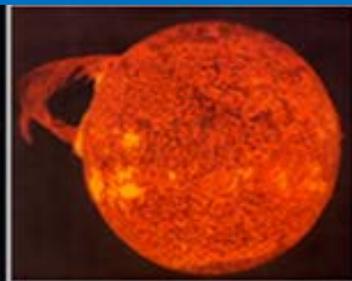
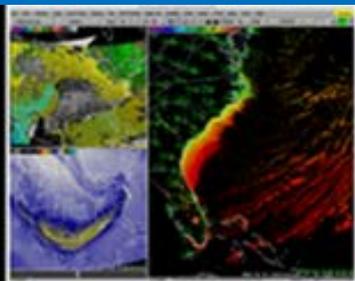
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# The Global Wave Ensemble System at NCEP

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# The GWES

- NCEP's Global Wave Ensemble System (GWES),
- Operational National Weather Service (NWS) prediction suite as stand-alone model since 2004,
  - State-of-the-art wave model WAVEWATCH III,
  - Single  $\frac{1}{2}$  degree spatial resolution grid,
  - 21 wave members forced by matching GEFS members,
  - MMAB high res ice analysis,
  - 4 daily cycles [00,06,12,18]Z.
- Serves OPC, NHC, Marine WFOs, US Navy, ECCO.



# GWES Products

NCEP Global Wave Ensemble Run 2016/01/12 12Z: 102h Forecast  
Ensemble Tp Mean (contour,s) and Spread (shaded,s) 2016/01/16 18Z

Available via NCEP operational FTP:

- 21 individual members (12 parms)
- Ensemble mean (12 parms)
- Ensemble spread (12 parms)
- Probability exceedence (9 parms)

$[H_s]$ : Mean Significant Wave Height

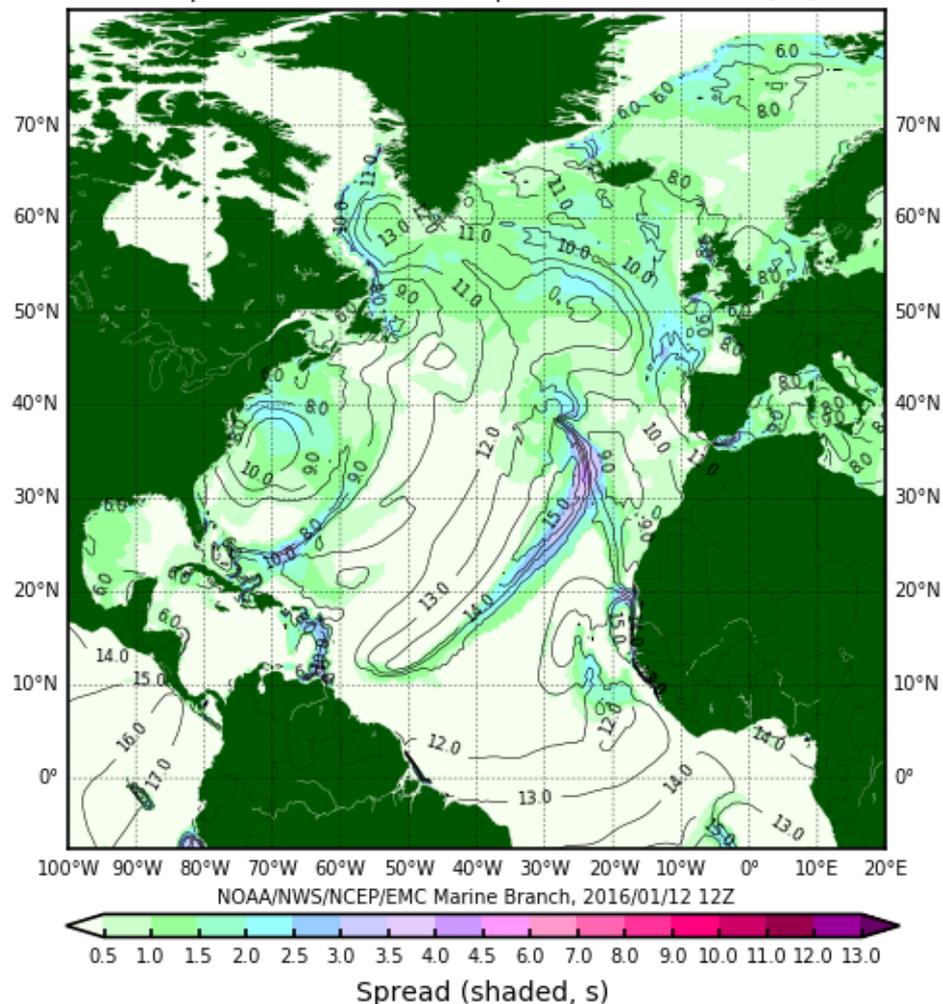
$[H_s]$  Mean (contours) + **Spread**

$[T_p]$ : Mean Peak Wave Period

$[T_p]$  Mean (contours) + **Spread**

Gridded data distributed to NAWIPS:

- OPC and NHC



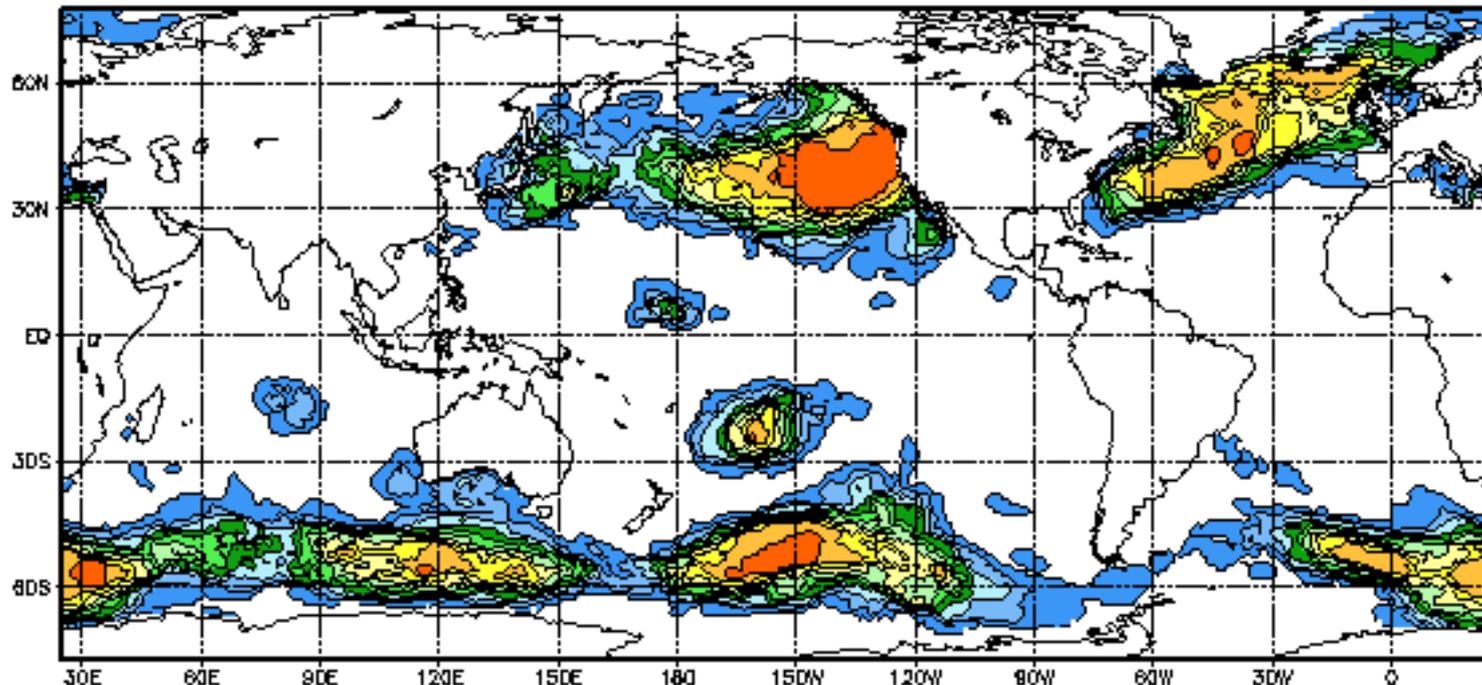
# GWES Products: $P(H_s > H_t)$

$P[H_s > 4m]$ : Exceedence Probability (also for U10 and  $T_p$ )

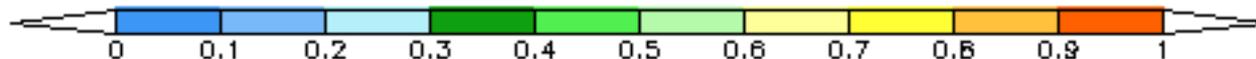
2016/01/12\_00z, 168 fcast\_hr

Ensemble Probability of  $H_s \geq 4.0$  (m)

Valid 2016/01/19 00z

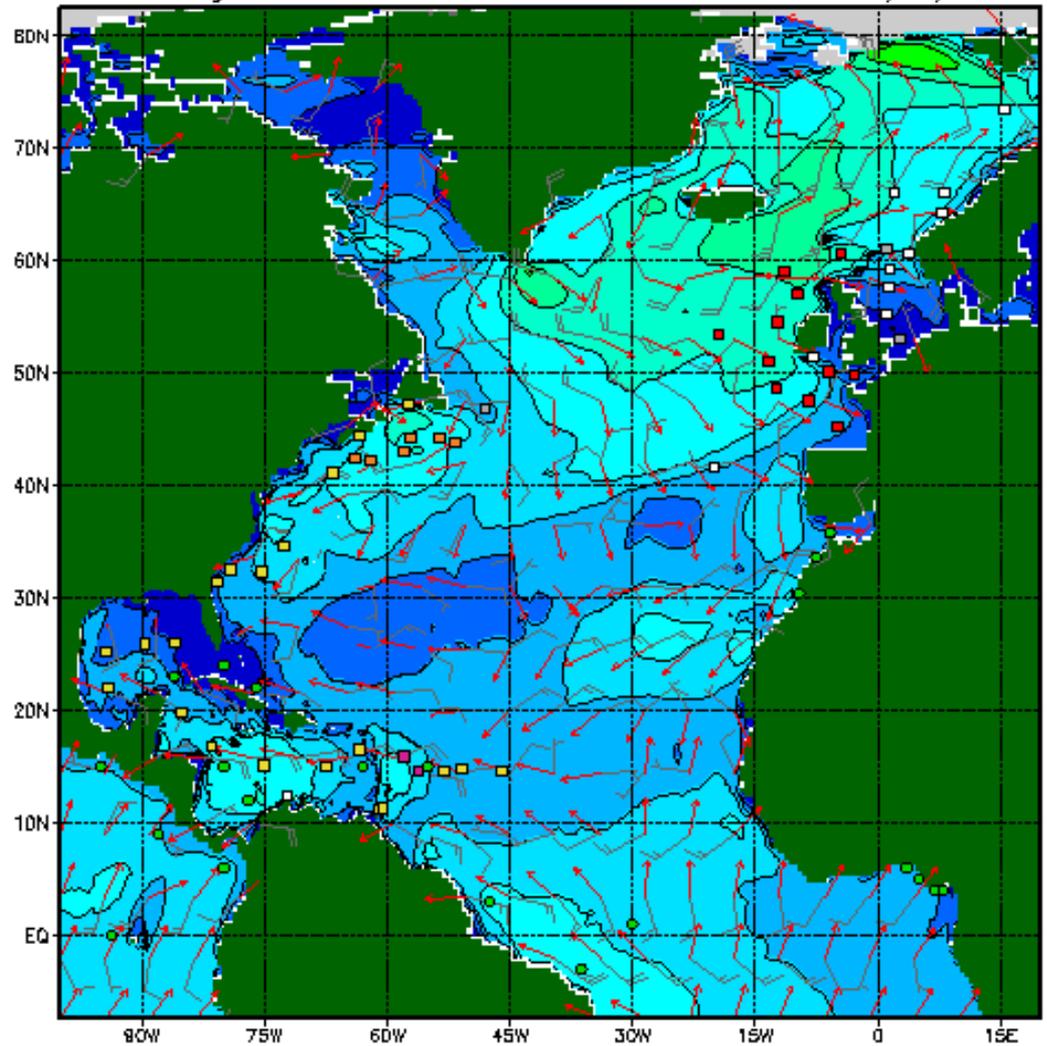


Probability Levels

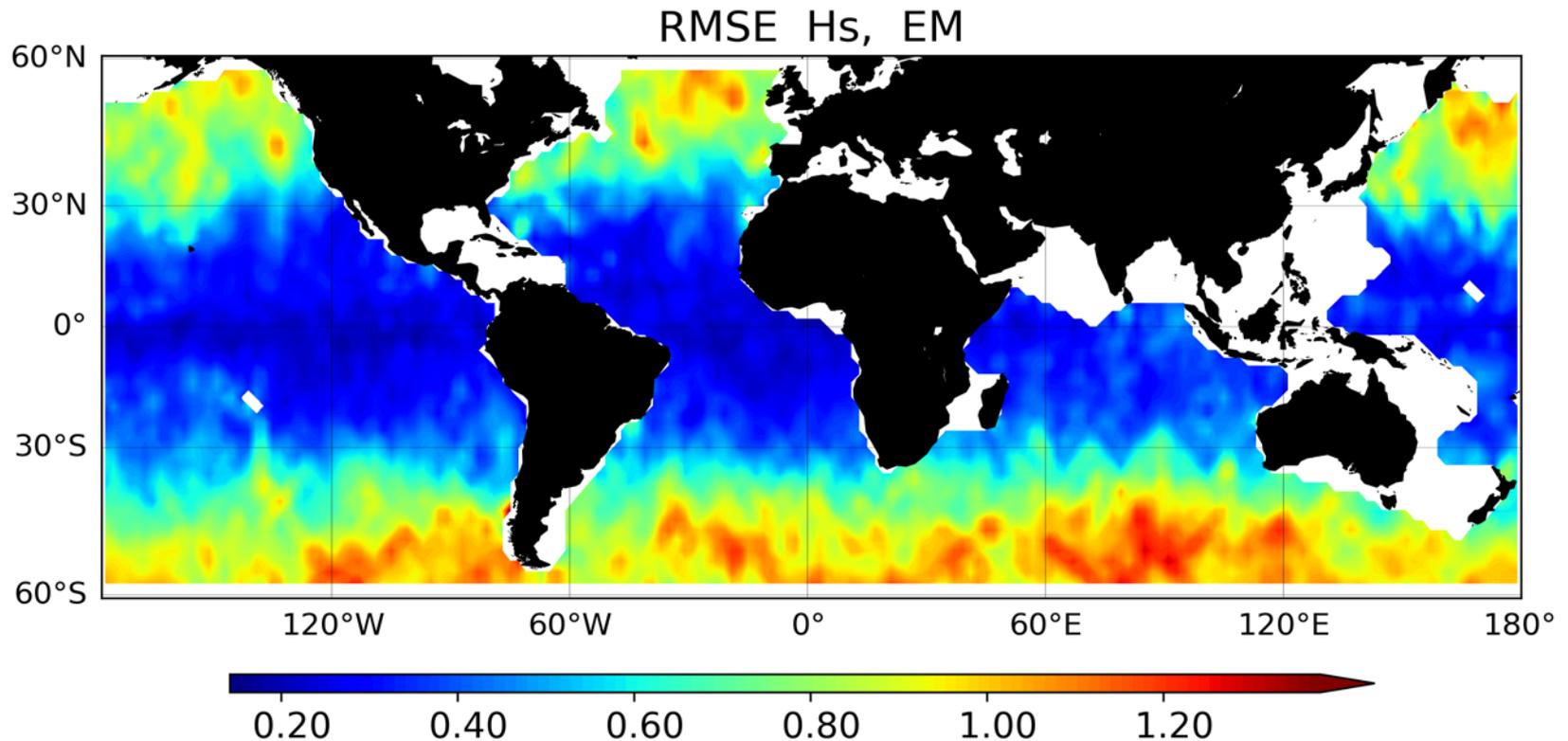


# GWES Products: Point Outputs

- Spectral Bulletins and spectra at around 100 points
- Probability of exceedence bulletins at around 300 points



# GWES Global RMS Error



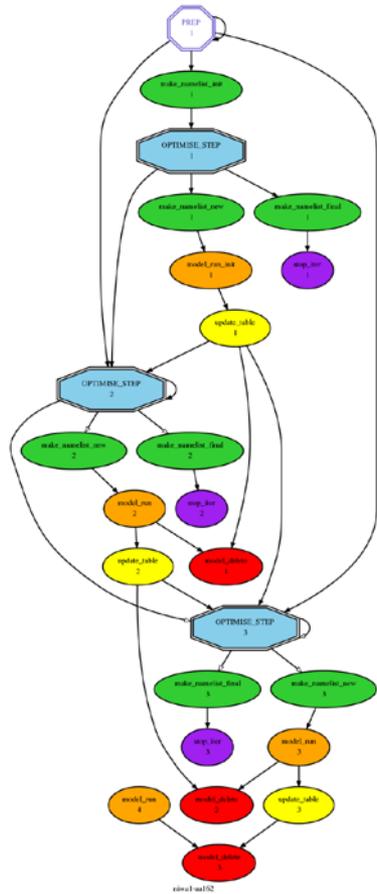
2017 Altimeter Data (SARAL, Cryosat, Jason 2/3)

# The Future of the GWES

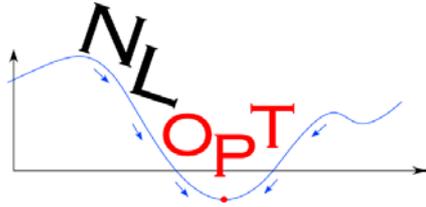
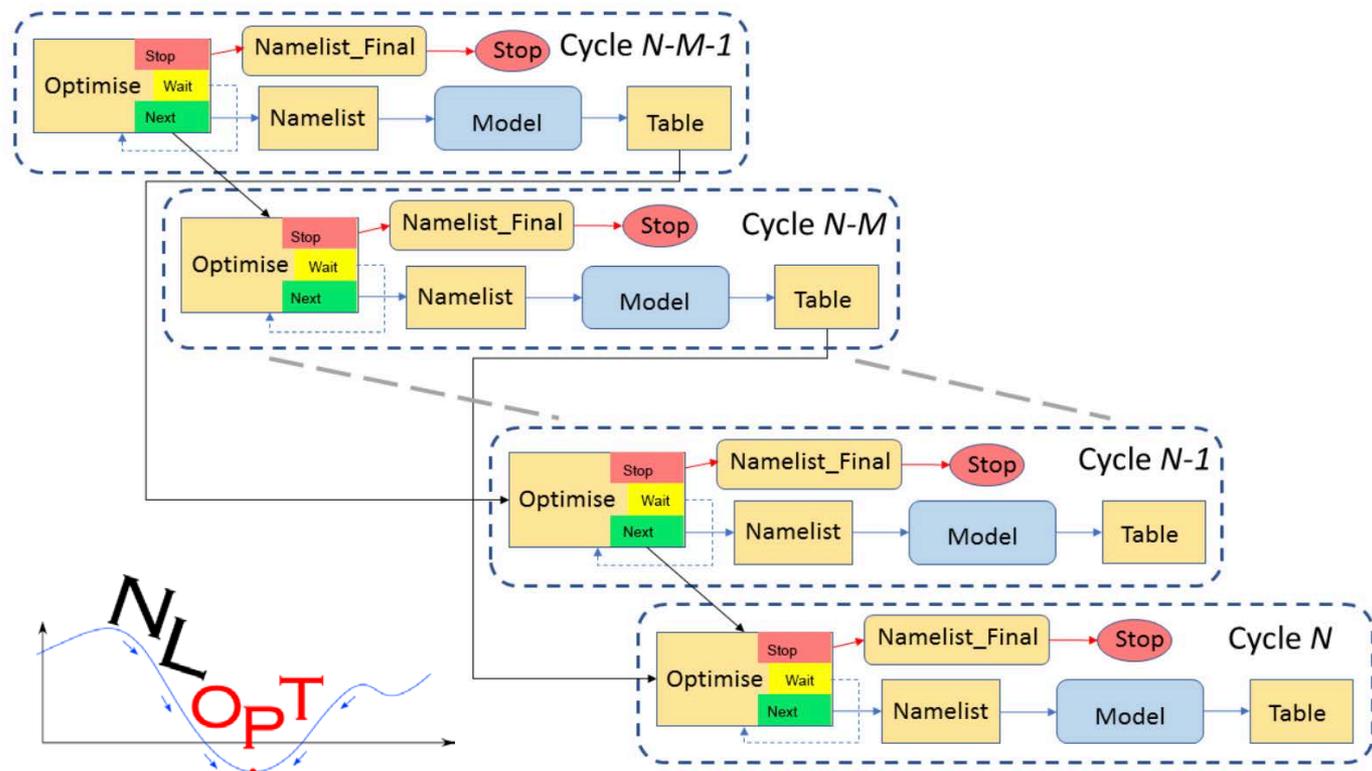
- NGGPS SIP, Project 1.2 FV3-GEFS,
- GWES will become part of GEFSv12 in 2020,
  - The first global-scale coupled system at NCEP.
- GWES → GEFSv12 wave component → GEFS-waves
  - FV3-WW3 NEMS coupling, ESMF,
  - Extensive changes to GEFS workflow,
  - Hike in grid resolution from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{4}$  degree global,
  - Extended forecast range: 240h to 384h (16 days),
  - Improved source-term setting (objective optimization with FV3 surface-wind forcing),
  - New experimental products including AI/NN nonlinear ensemble averages.

# Objective Source-Term Optimization

R. M. Gorman and H. J. Oliver: Automated model optimisation using Cyclops v1.0

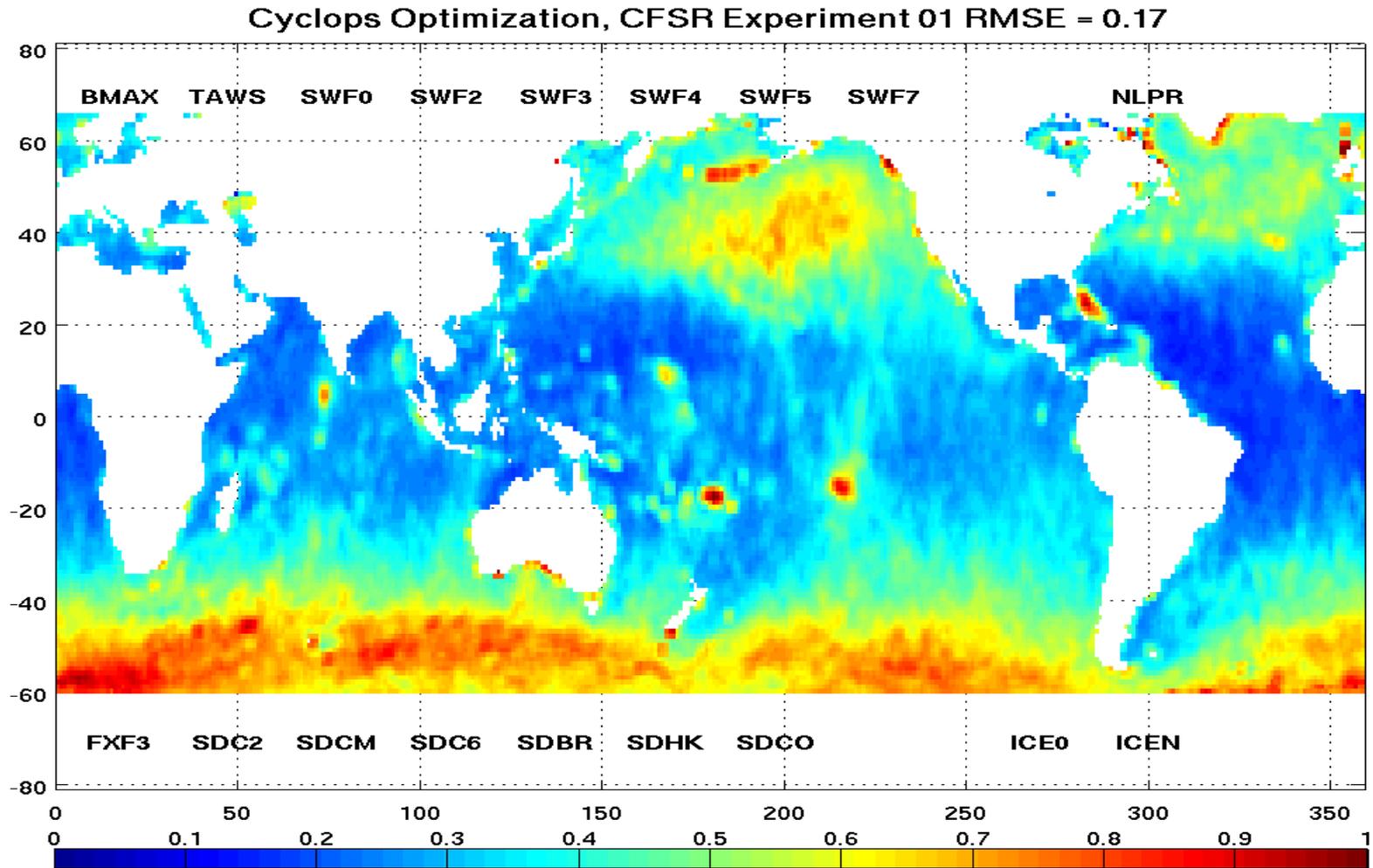


H. Oliver et al. 2019.



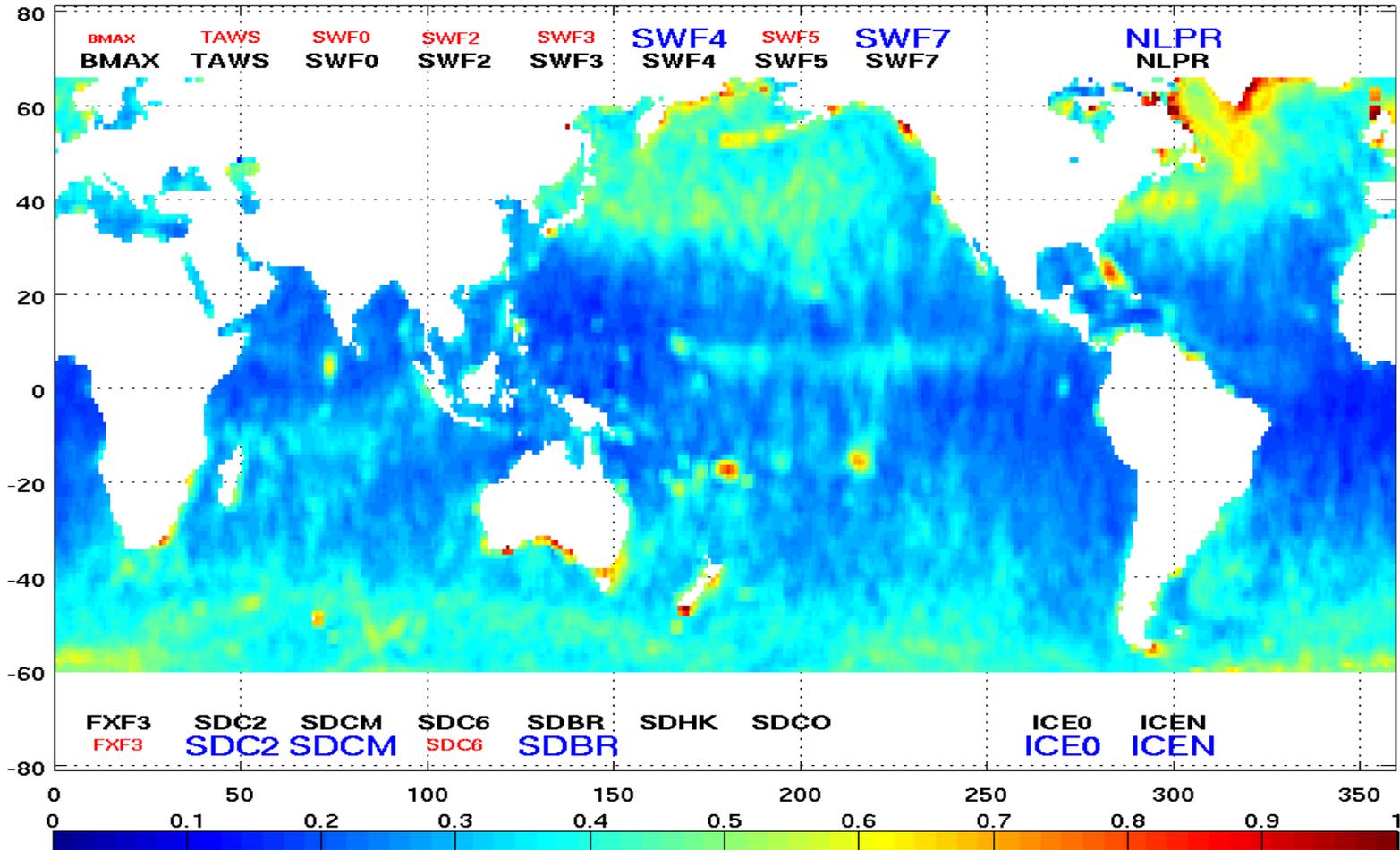
NLOpt nonlinear optimisation toolbox (Johnson, 2014).

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Cyclops Optimization, CFSR Experiment 45 RMSE = 0.13



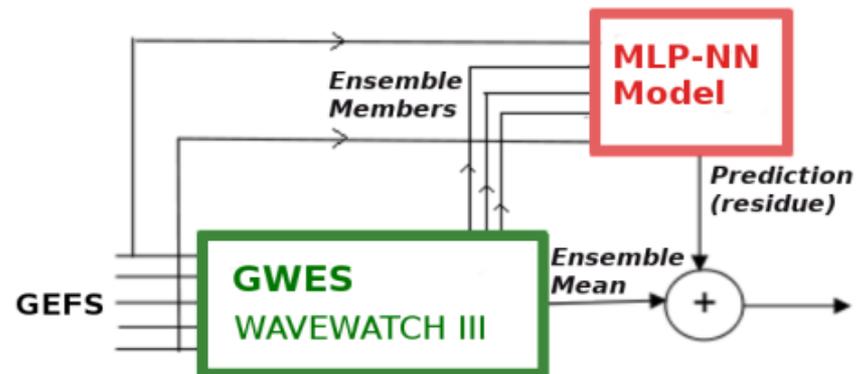
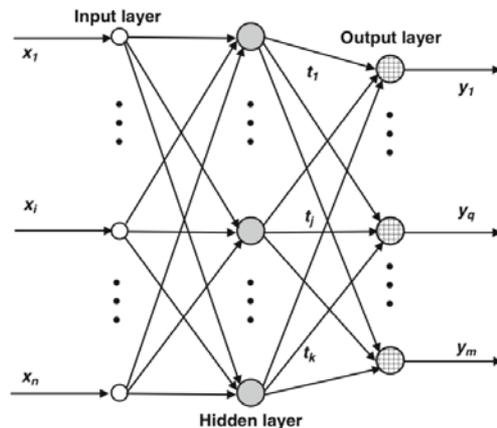
# Nonlinear Wave Ensemble Averaging using Neural Networks

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- GWES provides a mean product output
- Arithmetic Ensemble Mean:  $EM = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$



- Multilayer perceptron model (MLP-NN) with hyperbolic tangent at the activation function.



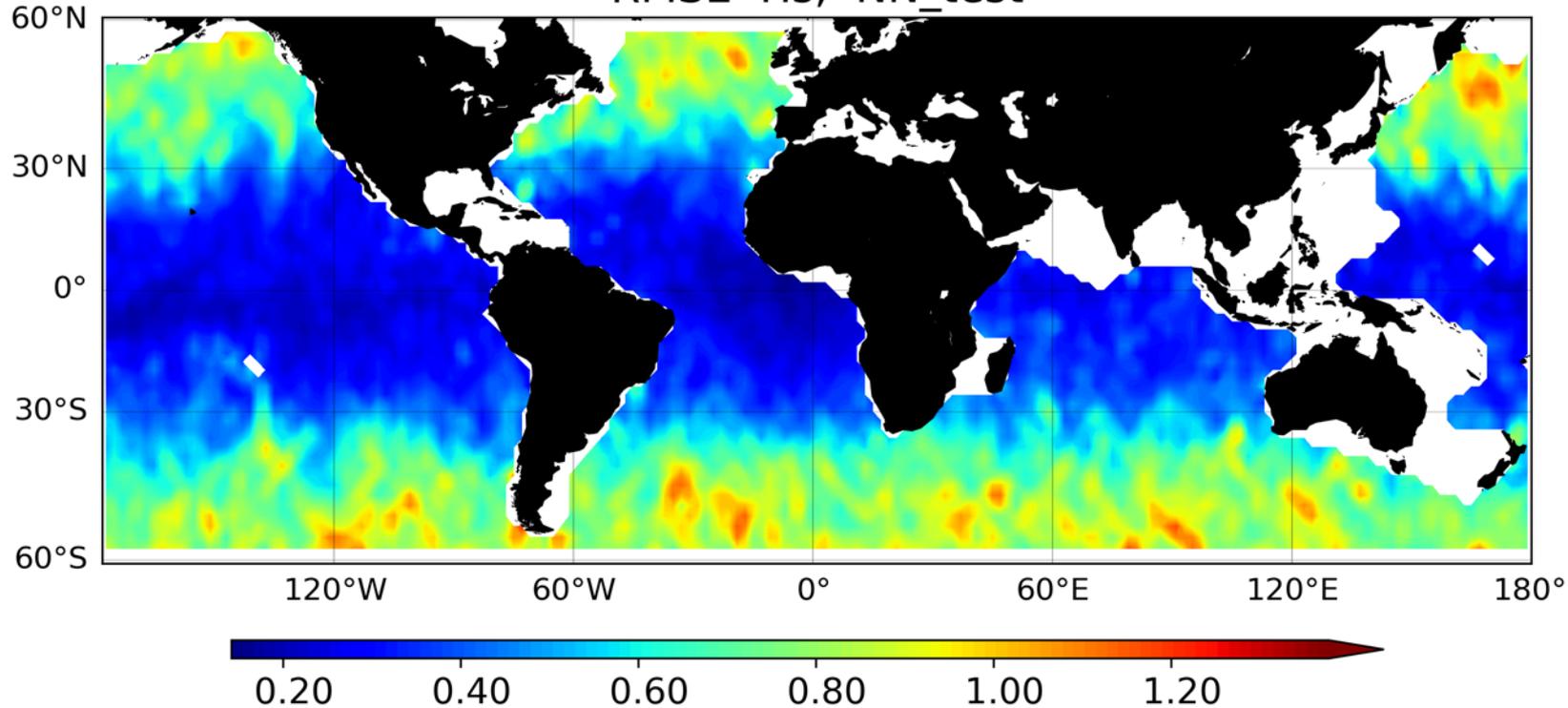


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RMSE Hs, NN\_test



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# GEFS-waves Implementation Schedule

		FY19				FY20			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Cycle	Task	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep
Dev	Redesign GWES Grids	█							
	Waves in GEFS Workflow		█						
	Wave Physics Optimization		█						
	Coupled Sys Benchmarking			█					
	Code Freeze Retrospectives				█				
	Retrospective Runs					█			
	Deploy AI/NN Mean Prototype					█			
	Science Evaluation						█		
T2O	Unify GEFS-GFS Waves Workflow				█				
	Add Inline Wave POST				█				
	Final GEFSv12 Coupled Sys					█			
	GEFSv12 Code Delivery							█	



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