

OU Plan and Initial Data Assimilation Effort for TCI Project



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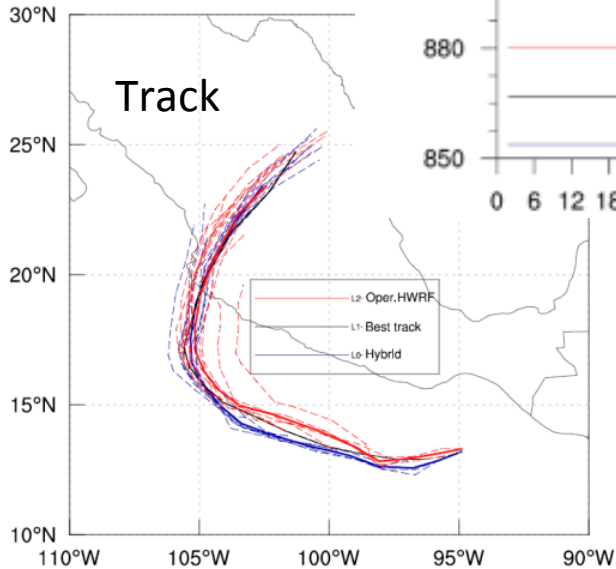
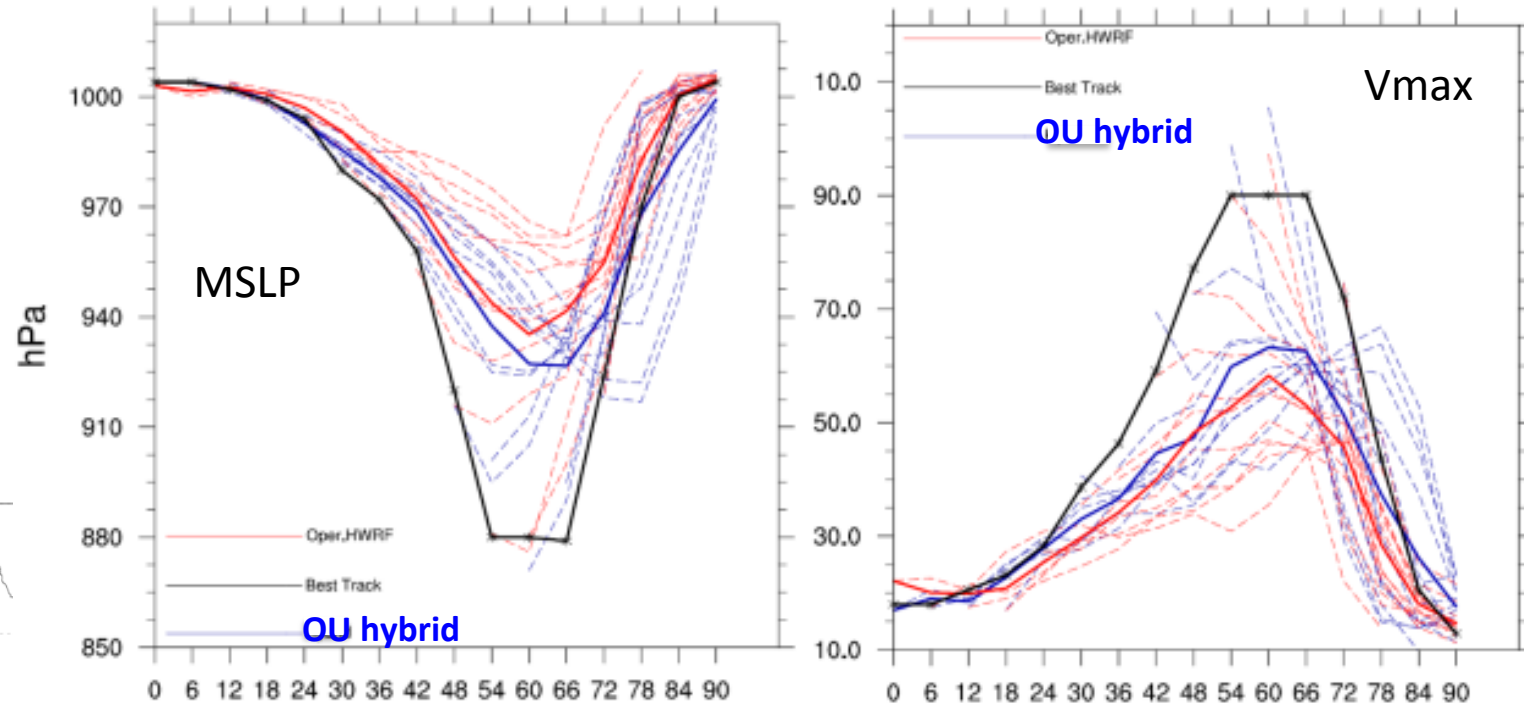


Near Term Plan

- Assimilate TCI, IFEX and supplement observations (dropsonde, HIRAD, radar, AMV, flight level, etc.) in addition to operational data stream using ensemble/hybrid data assimilation system, in collaboration with TCI PIs [NRL, U. Hawaii, CIMSS, NASA, NOAA, etc.] to
 - Create 4D continuous ensemble analyses and forecasts for TCI cases: Patricia, Jaoquin, Marty.
 - Study the impact of data on the analysis and forecast
 - Conduct ensemble diagnostics study to understand the impact of outflow on intensification



Baseline analysis and forecast: Patricia 2015

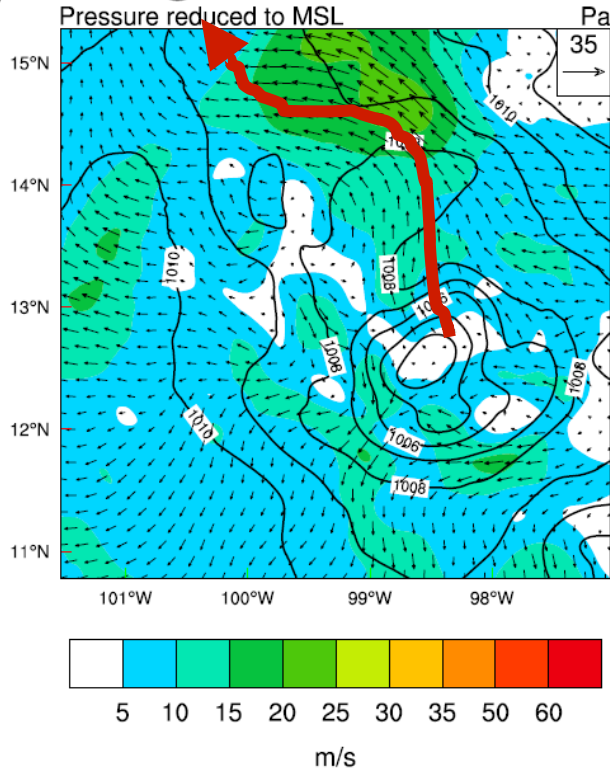


- OU hybrid showed better intensity forecasts during RI and peak intensity period compared to operational HWRF.
- Assimilating TCI observations may further improve the analyses and forecasts.



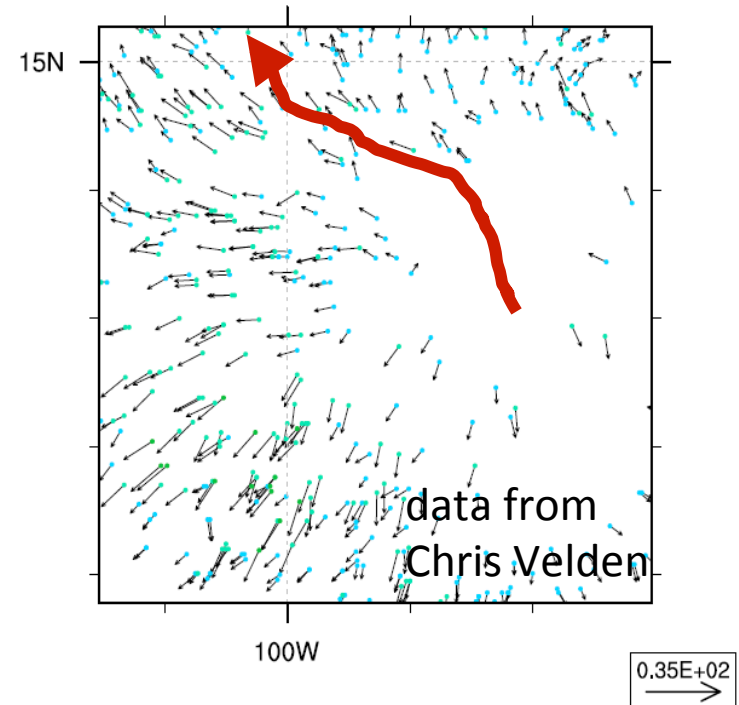
Initial efforts of assimilating TCI data: Patricia 2015

Hybrid-all @200hPa 2015-10-21 18 UTC



With HDSS

CIMSS AMV observation 150-250hPa



- Assimilation of TCI HDSS dropsondes was able to catch the northbound outflow, which was missing when not assimilating TCI HDSS.