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## **Development of the WRF-CO<sub>2</sub> 4D-Var assimilation system v1.0**

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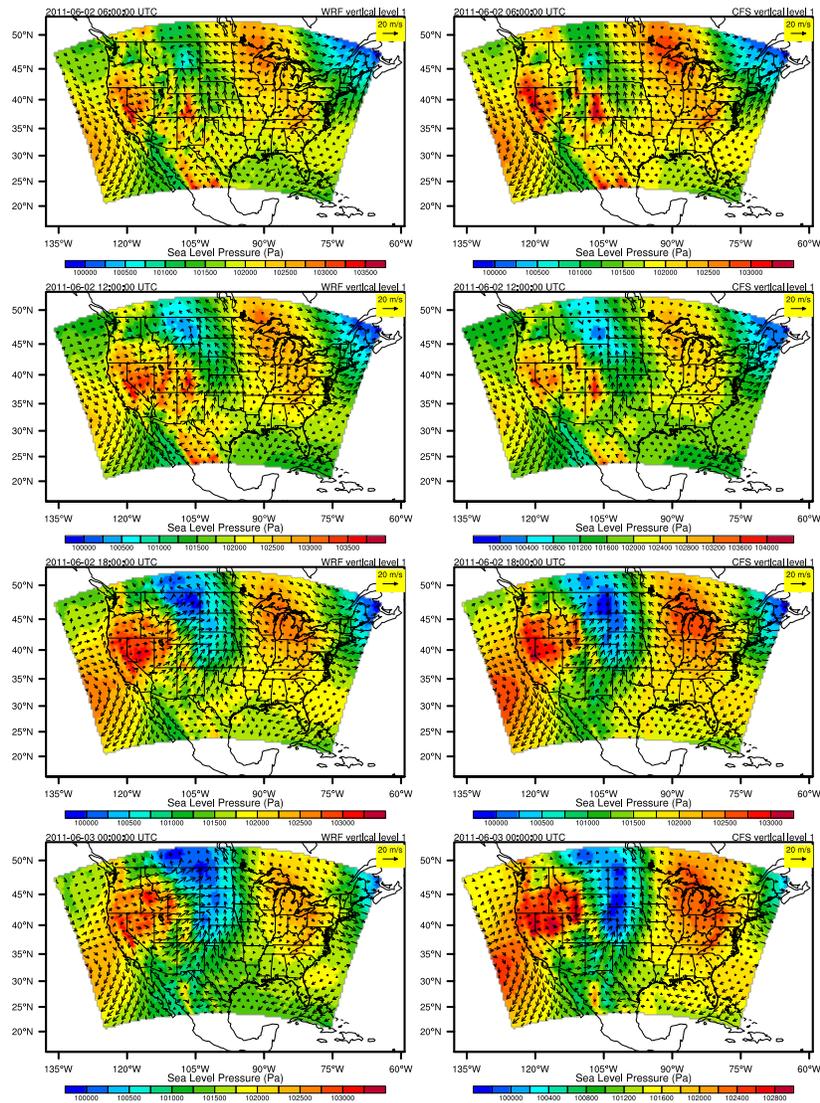


Figure 1: Sea level pressure (background) and horizontal wind (arrows) at the first vertical level simulated by WRF (left column) and interpolated from CFSv2 (right column). Figures are plotted at 6-hour interval for the 24-hour simulation period starting at 2011-06-02 00:00 UTC.

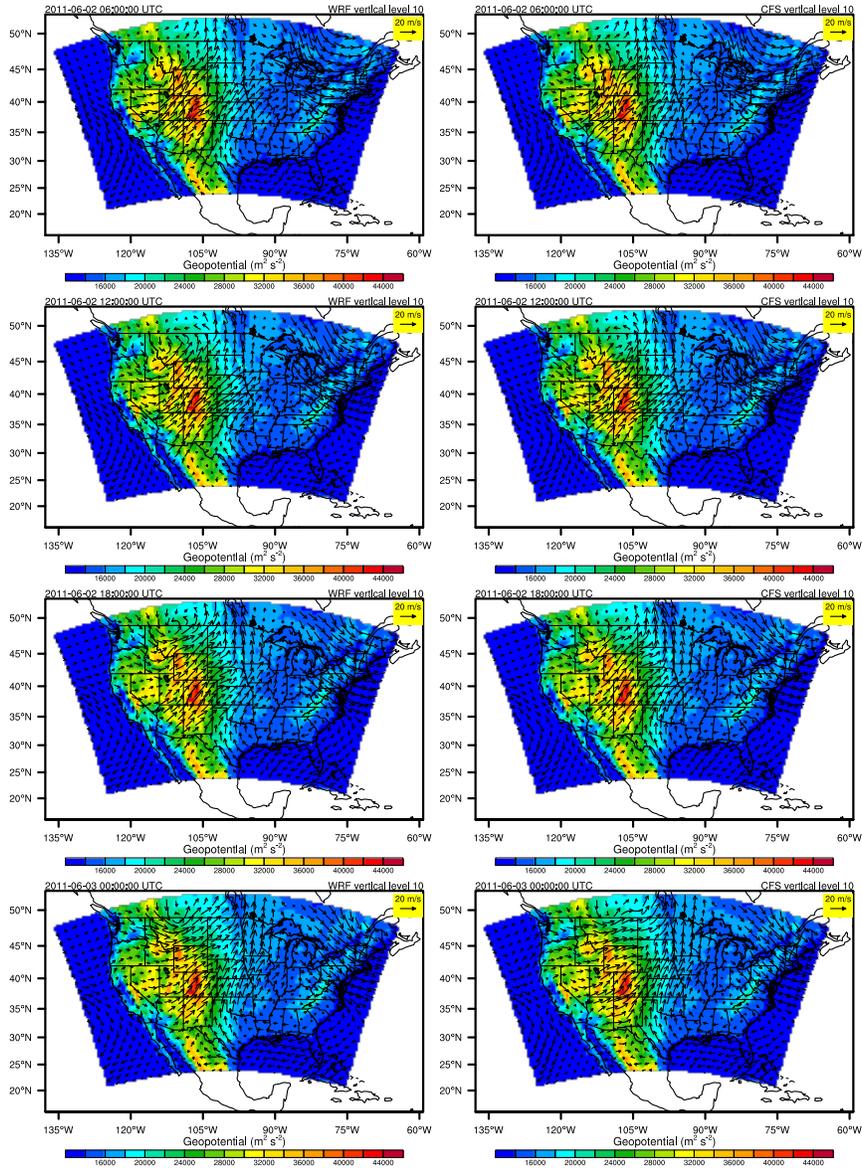


Figure 2: Geopotential (background) and horizontal wind (arrows) at the 10<sup>th</sup> vertical level simulated by WRF (left column) and interpolated from CFSv2 (right column). Figures are plotted at 6-hour interval for the 24-hour simulation period starting at 2011-06-02 00:00 UTC.

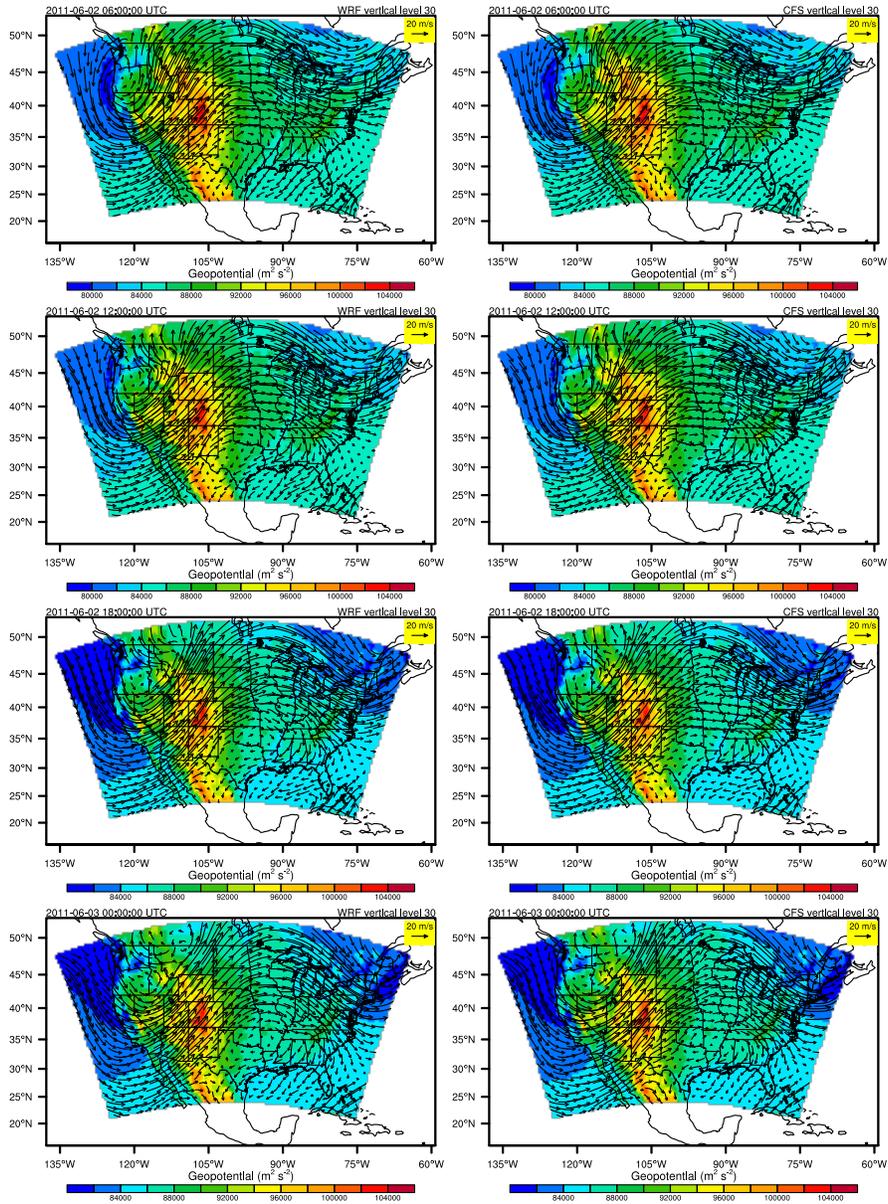


Figure 3: Geopotential (background) and horizontal wind (arrows) at the 30<sup>th</sup> vertical level simulated by WRF (left column) and interpolated from CFSv2 (right column). Figures are plotted at 6-hour interval for the 24-hour simulation period starting at 2011-06-02 00:00 UTC.

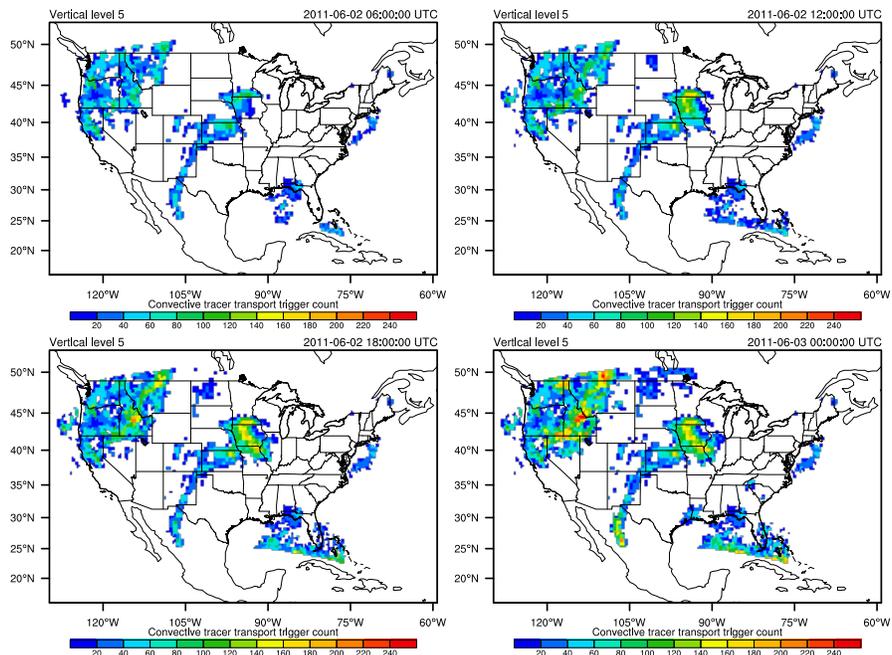


Figure 4: Convective tracer transport trigger count at the 5<sup>th</sup> vertical level plotted at 6-hour interval.

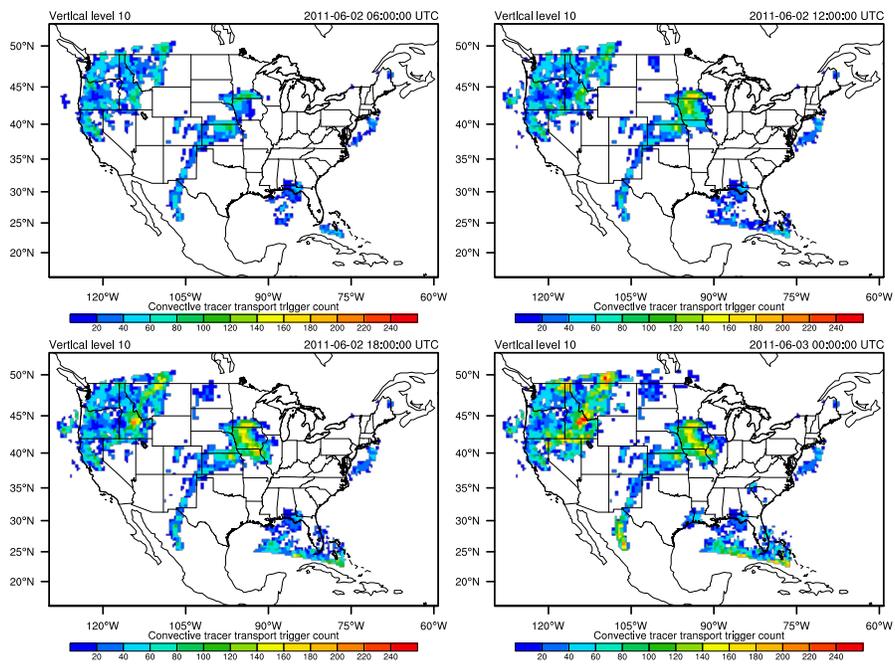


Figure 5: Same as Fig. 4, but for the 10<sup>th</sup> level.

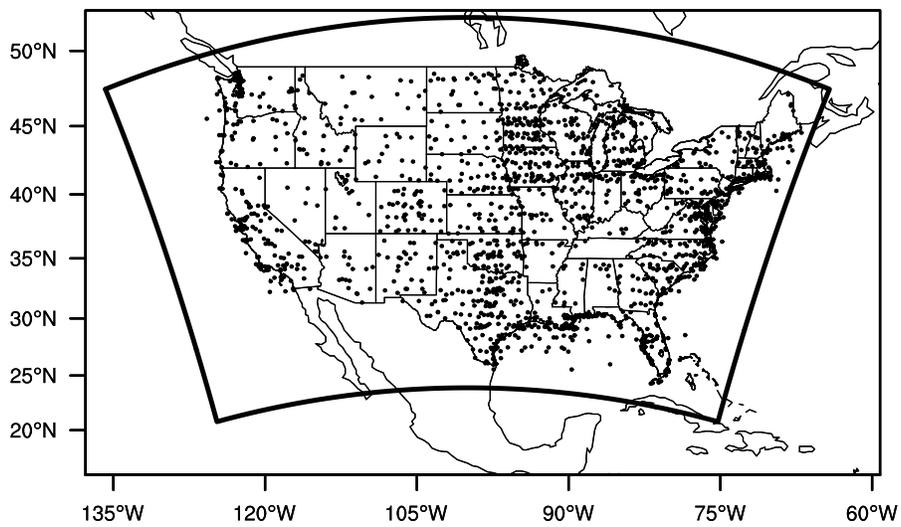


Figure 6: Locations of the meteorological stations used for evaluating the WRF simulation. The bold dark outline marks the boundary of the WRF simulation domain. The surface meteorological data are obtained from NOAA Integrated Surface Dataset.

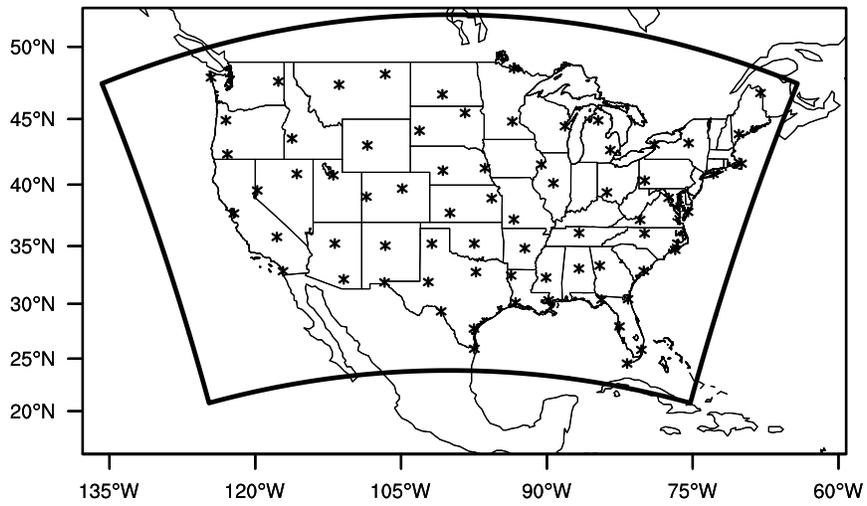


Figure 7: Locations of the radiosonde stations used for evaluating the WRF simulation. The bold dark outline marks the boundary of the WRF simulation domain. The radiosonde data are obtained from NOAA/ESRL radiosonde database