Evaluation of the offline-coupled GFSv15-FV3-CMAQv5.0.2 in support of the next-generation National

Air Quality Forecast Capability over the Contiguous United States

Supplement

Table S1. Datasets used in this study

Database	Parameter	Data frequency	Number of sites / resolution
CASTNET	T2, RH2, WS10, WD10, Precipitation	Hourly	Up to 90 sites
ССРА	Precipitation	Hourly	0.125 degree
AirNow	O ₃ , PM _{2.5}	Hourly	Up to 1100 sites
METAR	T2, RH2, WS10, WD10, Precipitation	Hourly	~1900 sites
GPCP	Precipitation	Monthly	2.5 degree
MODIS_MOD04	Aerosol Optical depth	Monthly	1 degree

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Datasets		CASTNET								METAR							
Variable	Period	Mean Obs.	Mean Sim.	MB	RMSE	NMB, %	NME, %	Corr	Mean Obs.	Mean Sim.	MB	RMSE	NMB, %	NME, %	Corr		
T2, °C	Jan	-1.8	-2.2	-0.4	2.5	-23.2	-102.1	0.96	1.3	1.1	-0.1	2.4	-11.5	144.5	0.97		
	Feb	-0.6	-1.2	-0.6	2.6	-88.8	-308.4	0.97	2.5	2.2	-0.2	2.6	-10.2	77.5	0.97		
	Mar	3.5	2.7	-0.7	2.4	-20.6	53.2	0.97	6.2	5.8	-0.4	2.3	-6.2	28.2	0.97		
	Apr	11.2	10.7	-0.5	2.3	-4.5	16.0	0.96	13.5	13.1	-0.3	2.3	-2.4	12.7	0.96		
	May	15.0	14.7	-0.3	2.3	-2.1	11.7	0.96	17.5	17.2	-0.4	2.3	-2.2	9.7	0.96		
	Jun	19.8	19.5	-0.3	2.4	-1.7	9.2	0.94	21.9	21.4	-0.5	2.4	-2.1	8.3	0.94		
	Jul	22.9	22.9	-0.1	2.5	-0.2	8.2	0.91	24.6	24.4	-0.3	2.3	-1.1	7.1	0.92		
	Aug	21.8	21.6	-0.2	2.4	-0.7	8.4	0.93	23.6	23.5	-0.1	2.3	-0.5	7.3	0.93		
	Sept	19.5	19.2	-0.3	2.3	-1.7	9.0	0.95	21.7	21.6	-0.1	2.2	-0.6	7.5	0.95		
	Oct	11.1	11.0	-0.2	2.7	-1.6	16.7	0.95	13.4	13.5	0.1	2.3	0.6	12.9	0.97		
	Nov	4.0	3.8	-0.2	2.8	-4.9	48.5	0.94	6.2	6.5	0.2	2.5	3.8	29.4	0.96		
	Dec	2.0	1.8	-0.3	2.8	-12.6	97.6	0.94	4.3	4.4	0.1	2.5	2.4	43.5	0.96		
	DJF	-1.8	-2.2	-0.4	2.5	-23.2	-102.1	0.96	1.3	1.1	-0.1	2.4	-11.5	144.5	0.97		
RH2, %	Jan	68.6	70.9	2.3	14.4	3.3	15.3	0.73	72.7	72.3	-0.4	13.1	-0.6	13.6	0.76		
	Feb	69.3	74.0	4.6	14.3	6.7	14.8	0.76	74.1	75.6	1.5	14.0	2.0	13.9	0.75		
	Mar	63.1	69.1	6.0	15.9	9.6	18.5	0.77	66.6	70.0	3.4	14.7	5.1	16.8	0.77		
	Apr	59.9	63.3	3.4	13.3	5.7	16.4	0.85	66.0	68.9	2.9	13.8	4.4	15.9	0.82		
	May	65.0	65.6	0.7	13.0	1.0	14.9	0.85	69.5	71.3	1.8	13.0	2.6	14.1	0.82		
	Jun	56.4	55.6	-0.8	12.2	-1.4	15.9	0.88	66.4	68.0	1.6	13.7	2.5	15.6	0.82		

	Jul	55.0	52.7	-2.3	12.4	-4.2	16.8	0.88	66.6	67.1	0.5	12.9	0.8	14.7	0.84
	Aug	53.7	51.6	-2.0	12.0	-3.8	16.4	0.89	68.0	66.8	-1.1	12.7	-1.7	14.1	0.85
	Sept	58.3	56.0	-2.3	11.7	-3.9	14.7	0.89	68.3	66.9	-1.4	12.3	-2.0	13.6	0.85
	Oct	56.5	54.4	-2.1	12.6	-3.7	16.2	0.89	67.8	65.6	-2.2	13.2	-3.2	14.5	0.85
	Nov	62.4	62.6	0.2	14.5	0.3	17.3	0.82	70.1	68.6	-1.5	14.1	-2.1	15.4	0.77
	Dec	69.3	71.1	1.9	14.3	2.7	15.1	0.75	87.8	88.0	0.2	9.5	0.2	8.0	0.60
WS10,	т														
m s ⁻¹	Jan	2.6	3.0	0.4	2.0	15.5	55.2	0.61	3.4	3.8	0.3	2.0	9.9	42.5	0.73
	Feb	2.7	3.4	0.6	2.2	22.8	56.9	0.57	3.5	3.8	0.3	2.0	8.2	42.6	0.71
	Mar	2.7	3.2	0.5	1.9	17.0	51.6	0.63	3.6	3.9	0.3	1.9	8.2	41.0	0.72
	Apr	2.9	3.6	0.7	2.2	24.9	57.3	0.58	3.8	4.2	0.4	2.1	11.0	41.3	0.71
	May	2.7	3.3	0.7	2.1	24.7	58.0	0.59	3.4	3.8	0.4	2.0	12.4	45.7	0.66
	Jun	2.6	3.2	0.6	2.1	23.0	60.6	0.51	3.1	3.5	0.5	2.0	14.8	49.3	0.63
	Jul	2.4	3.0	0.6	1.9	25.8	61.5	0.49	2.7	3.2	0.4	1.9	16.2	52.2	0.62
	Aug	2.3	2.8	0.6	1.8	24.8	60.6	0.52	2.6	3.1	0.5	1.9	20.6	57.0	0.59
	Sept	2.6	3.2	0.6	2.0	24.7	58.2	0.59	3.8	4.0	0.2	1.7	5.1	34.3	0.65
	Oct	2.7	3.2	0.5	2.2	20.6	59.7	0.53	4.1	4.3	0.2	1.9	5.1	33.0	0.69
	Nov	2.4	2.8	0.4	2.0	15.3	58.0	0.58	4.0	4.1	0.1	1.8	2.6	32.3	0.70
	Dec	2.4	2.8	0.4	1.9	18.7	58.2	0.57	3.1	3.6	0.4	1.9	14.4	45.8	0.70
Precip, mm hr ⁻¹	Jan	1.0	0.6	-0.5	1.6	-43.2	87.1	0.24	1.3	0.8	-0.6	2.9	-44.3	75.9	0.21
	Feb	1.0	0.6	-0.4	1.7	-41.7	86.5	0.25	1.3	0.6	-0.6	4.5	-48.9	78.4	0.11
	Mar	1.1	0.6	-0.5	1.7	-46.0	83.4	0.28	1.6	0.6	-1.0	12.5	-60.5	83.4	0.04
	Apr	1.1	0.5	-0.6	1.9	-54.2	88.4	0.28	1.7	0.8	-0.9	3.5	-51.0	85.2	0.18
	May	1.2	0.5	-0.7	2.3	-55.6	88.8	0.15	2.0	0.7	-1.2	4.9	-63.2	87.3	0.10
	Jun	2.0	0.5	-1.5	4.2	-74.5	93.0	0.09	2.4	0.7	-1.7	5.7	-70.7	89.7	0.07
	Jul	2.2	0.4	-1.8	4.8	-82.4	95.8	0.04	2.8	0.7	-2.1	7.3	-76.1	93.3	0.04
	Aug	2.3	0.5	-1.8	5.2	-77.2	93.1	0.17	2.7	0.6	-2.1	9.7	-77.3	92.1	0.03
	Sept	1.3	0.5	-0.8	2.4	-60.5	86.8	0.18	2.3	0.7	-1.6	13.7	-70.2	89.9	0.03
	Oct	1.5	0.7	-0.8	2.7	-52.4	88.0	0.25	1.9	0.9	-0.9	6.7	-49.9	82.8	0.10
	Nov	1.1	0.5	-0.5	1.9	-49.8	82.7	0.28	1.3	0.6	-0.7	6.1	-50.6	77.7	0.07
	Dec	1.0	0.6	-0.4	1.5	-44.2	83.7	0.32	1.4	0.8	-0.6	2.7	-40.4	77.7	0.18

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Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont; (Region 2) New Jersey, and New York; (Region 3)

Delaware, Washington D.C, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia; (Region 4)

Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and

Tennessee; (Region 5) Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin; (Region 6)

Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas; (Region 7) Iowa, Kansas, Missouri,

and Nebraska; (Region 8) Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and

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