

# Impacts of cyclogenesis and moisture transport by the marine boundary layer jet on heavy rainfall over southern Taiwan during the 2018 Mei-Yu season

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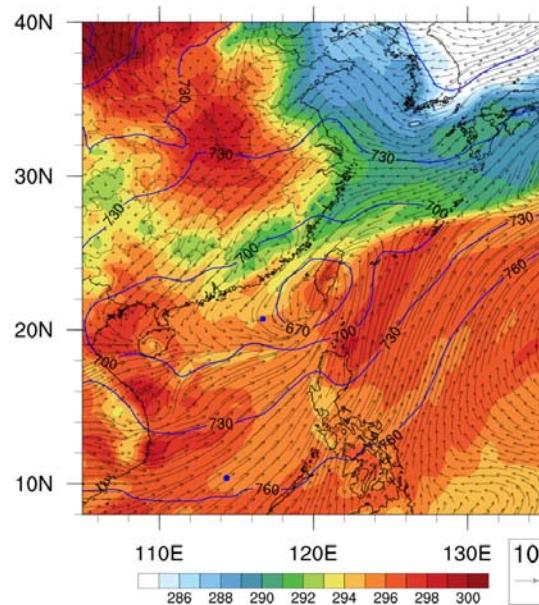
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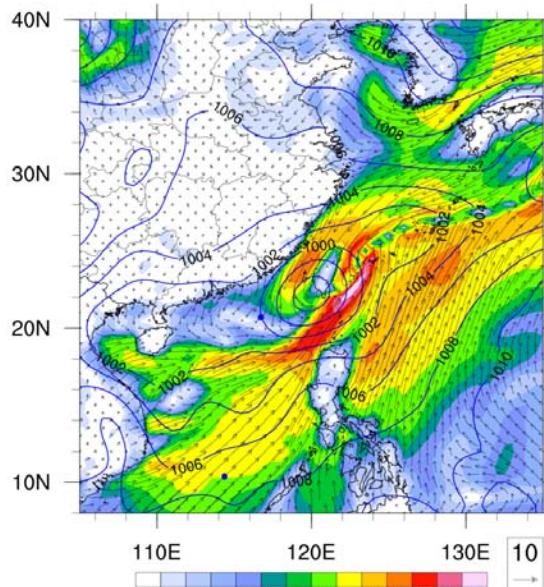
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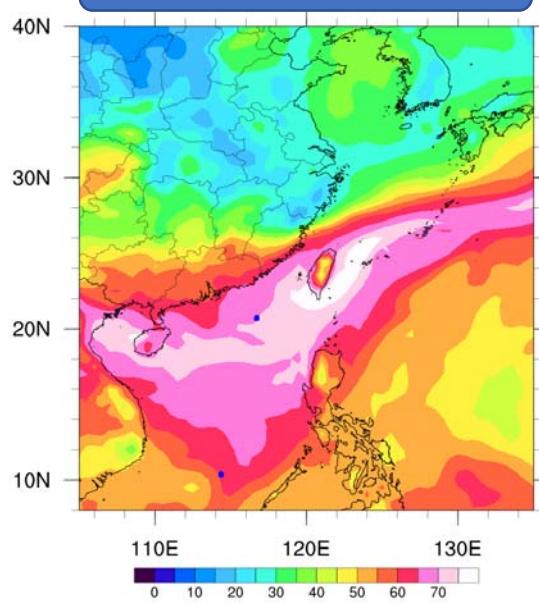
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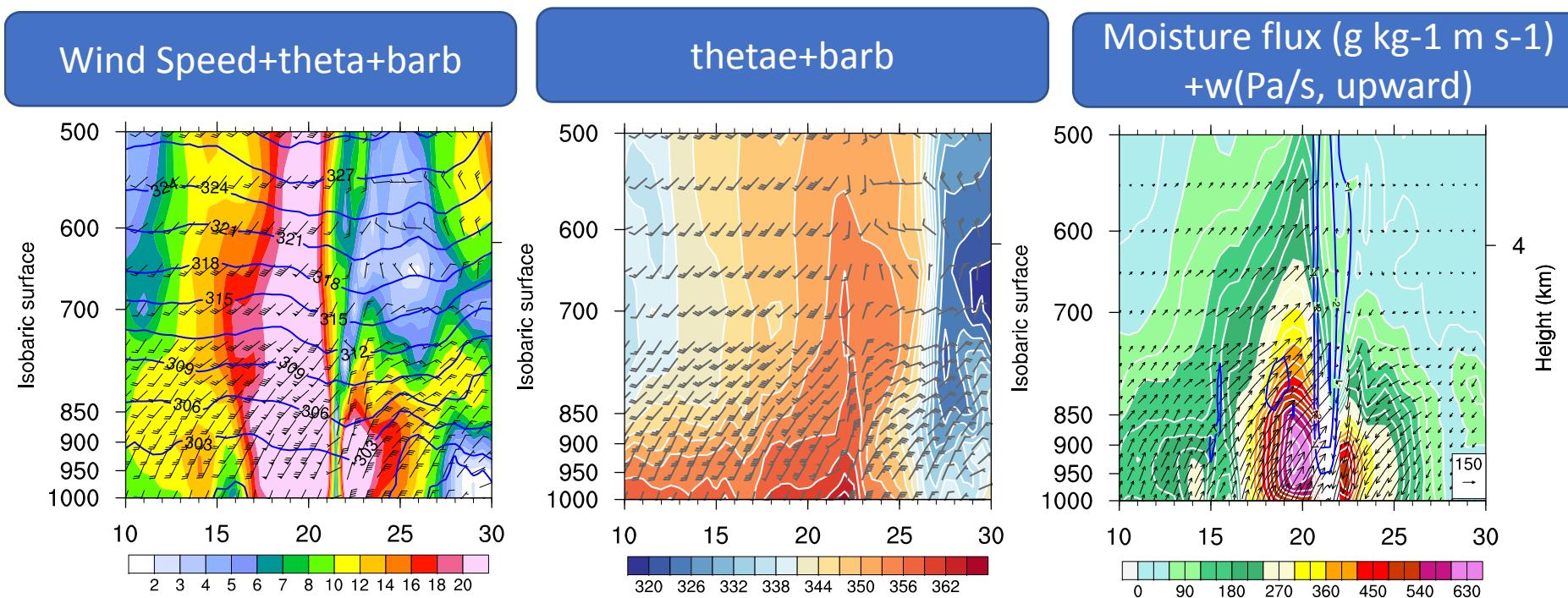


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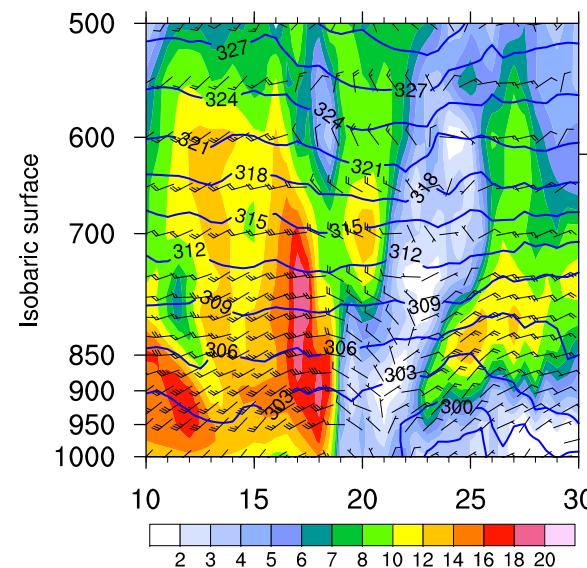
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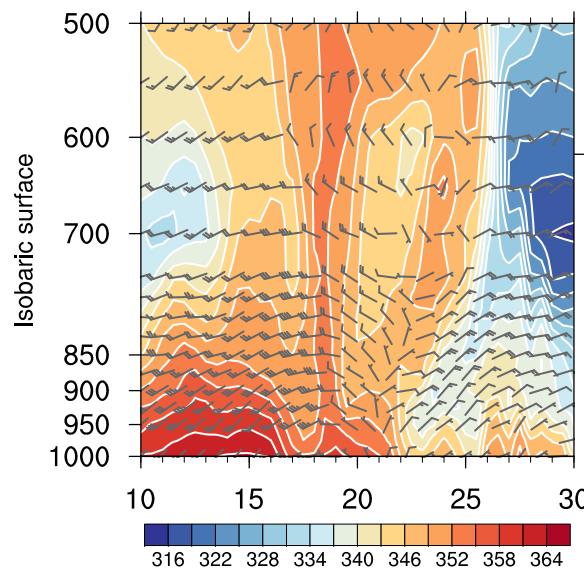
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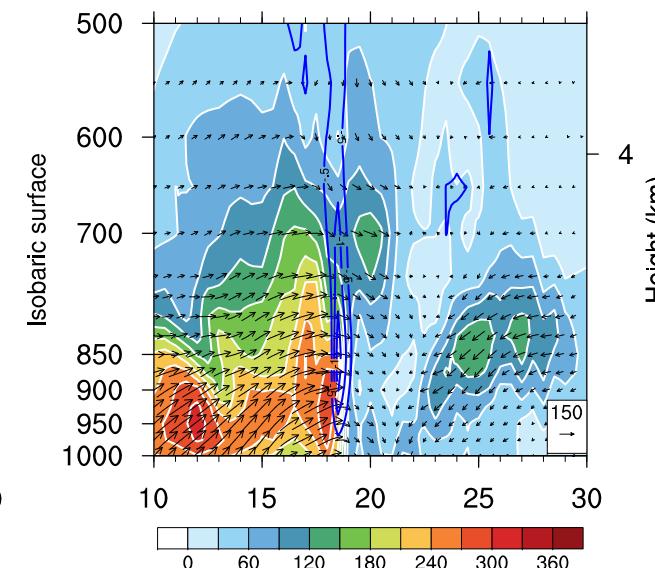
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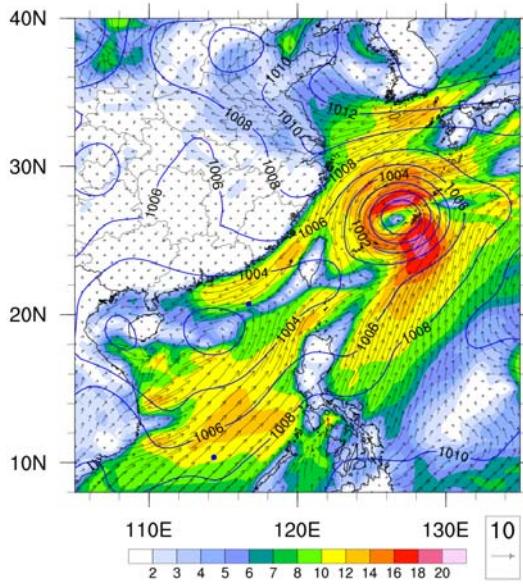
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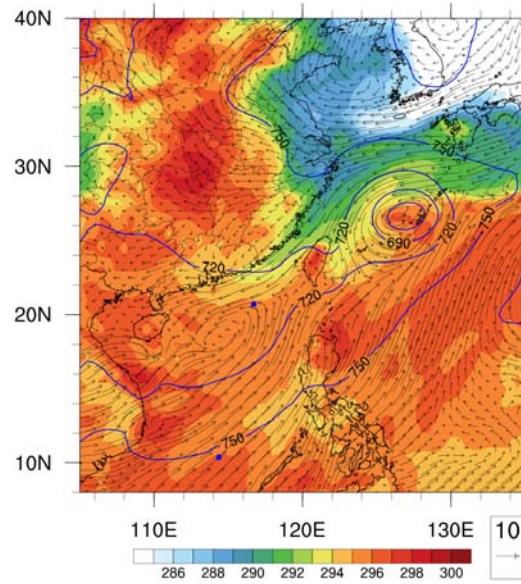
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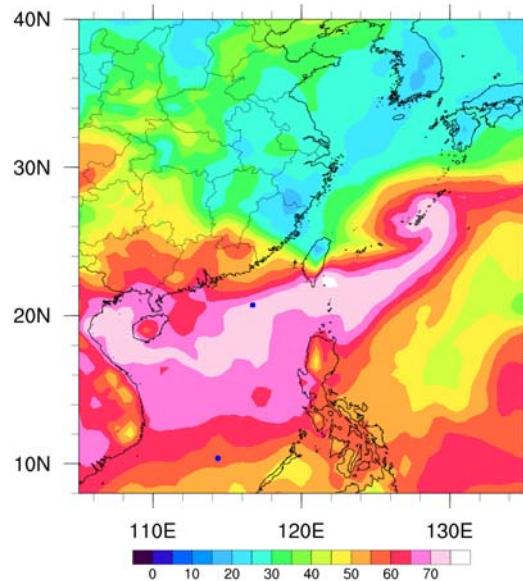
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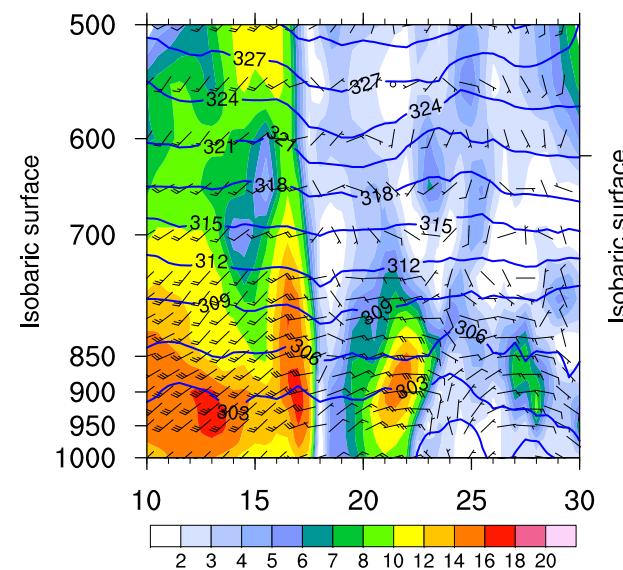


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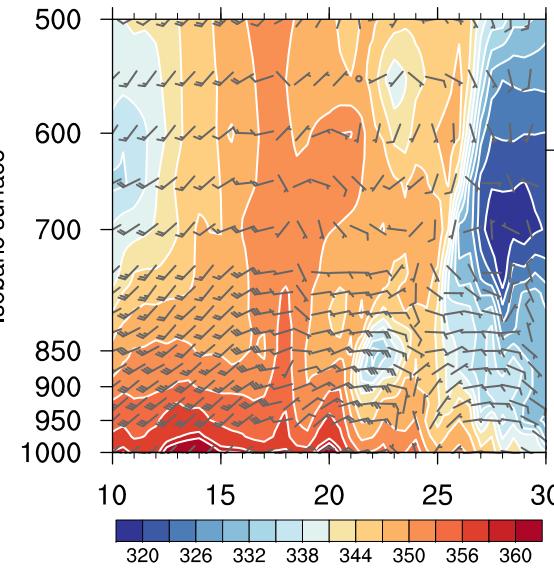
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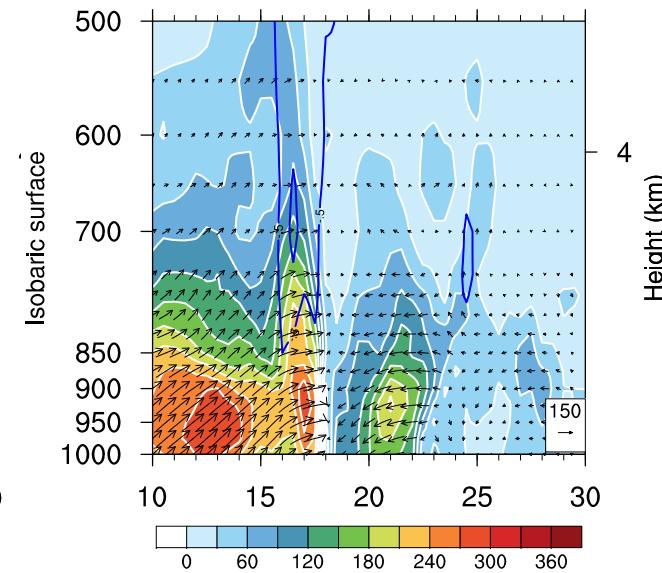
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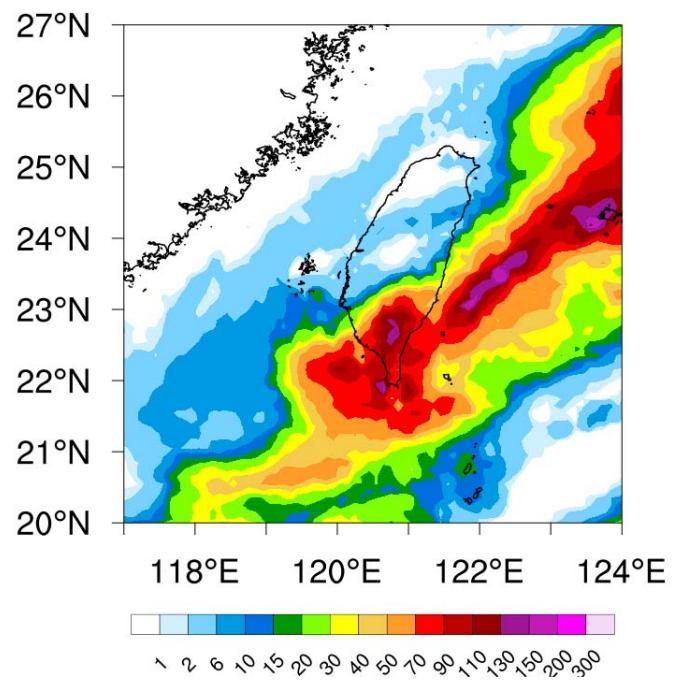
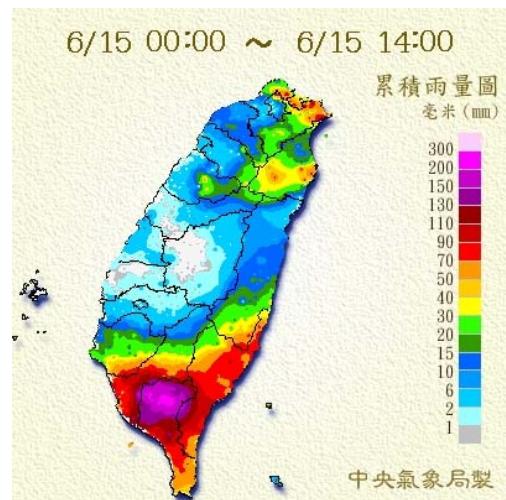
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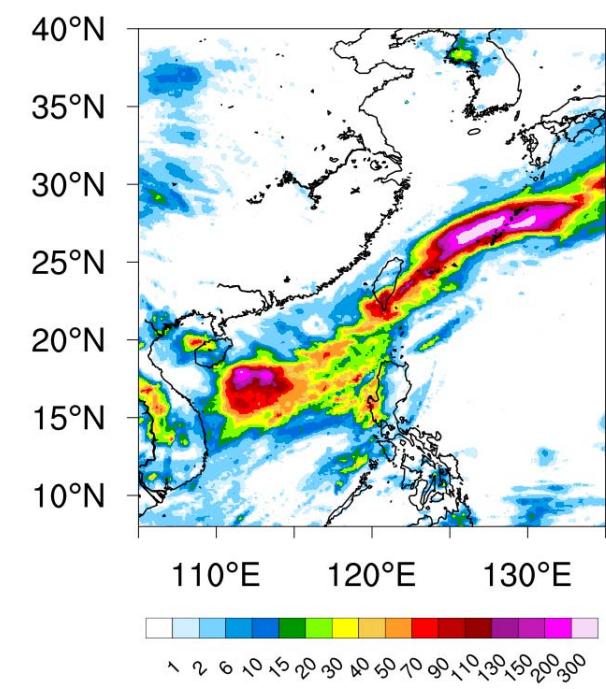
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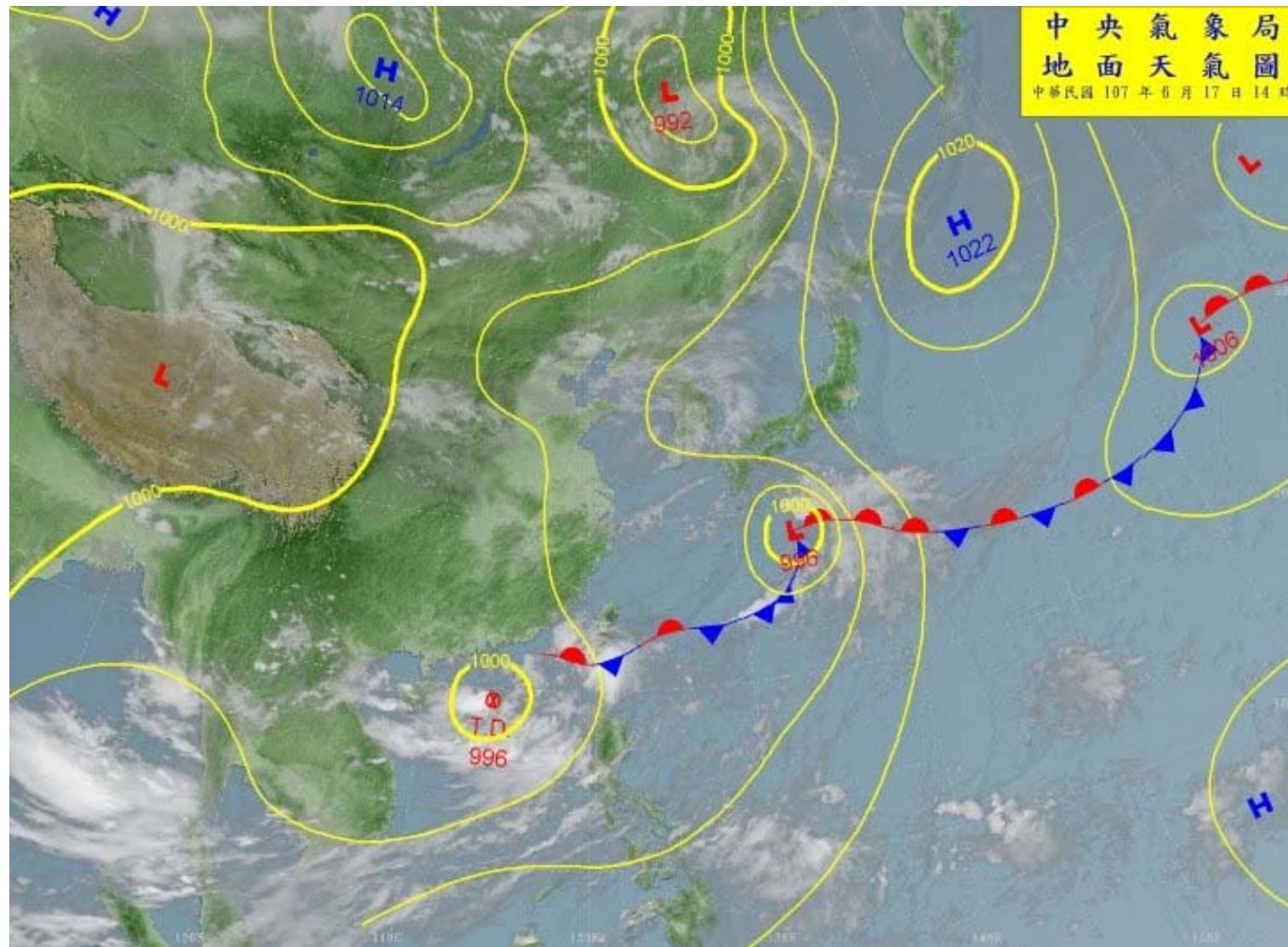
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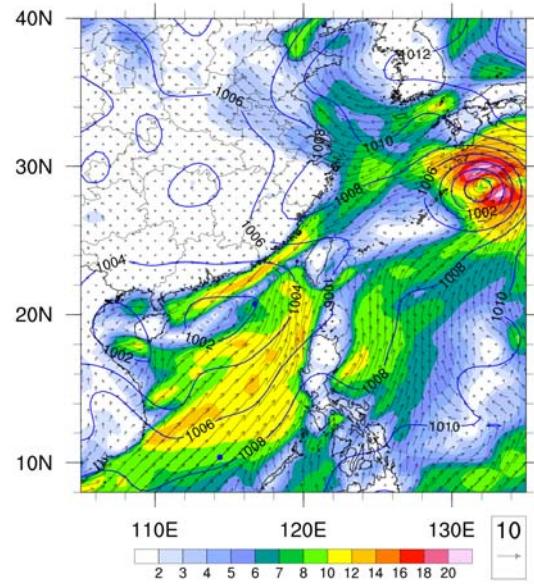
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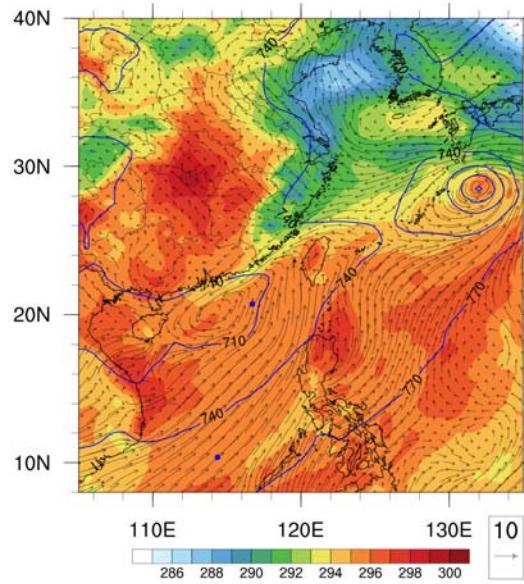
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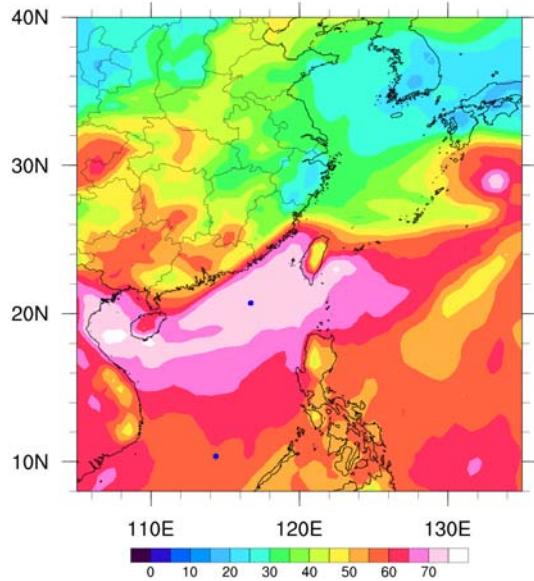
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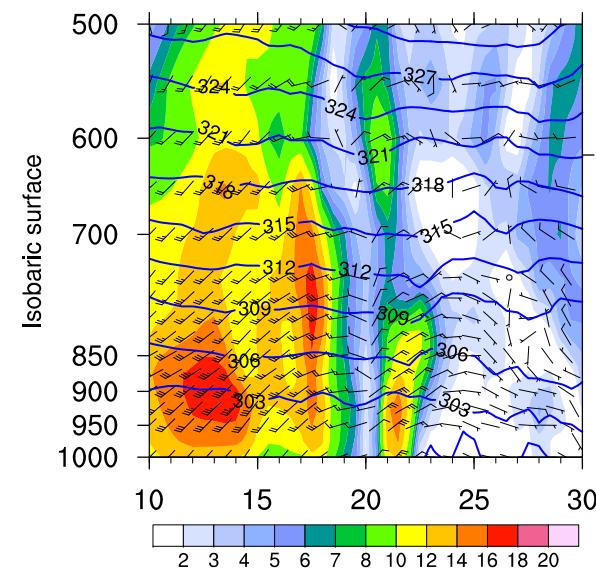


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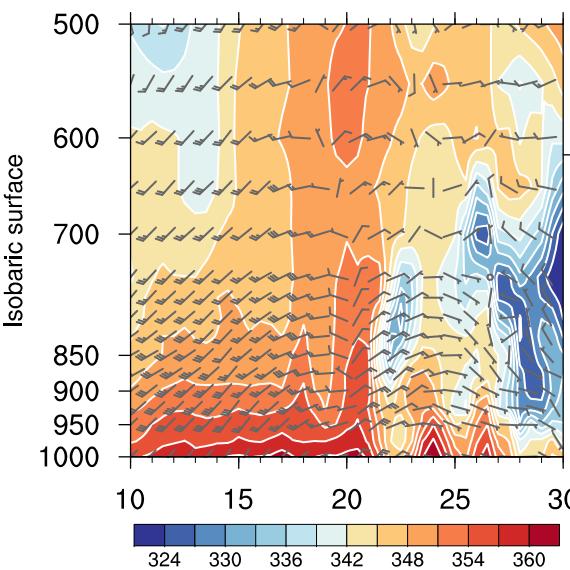
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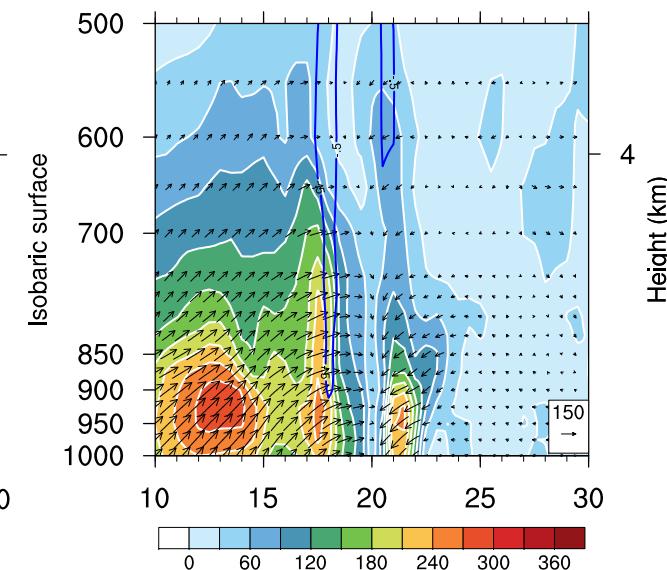
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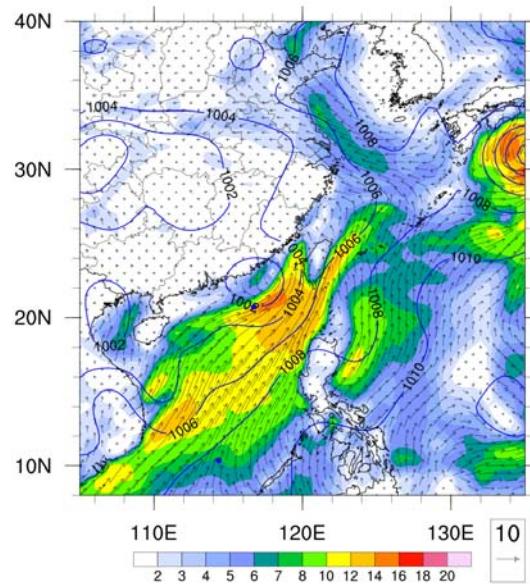
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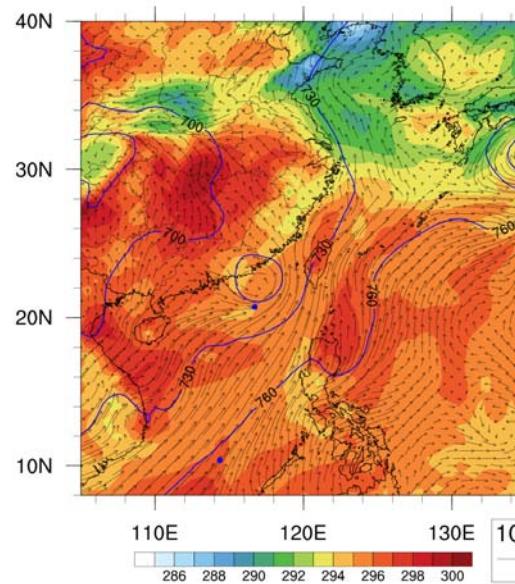
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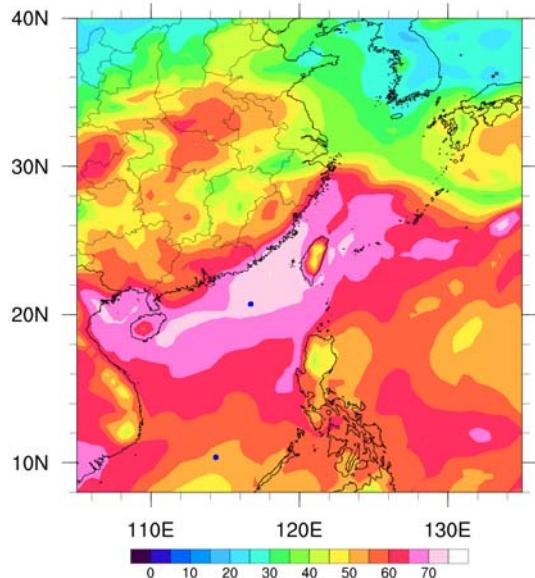


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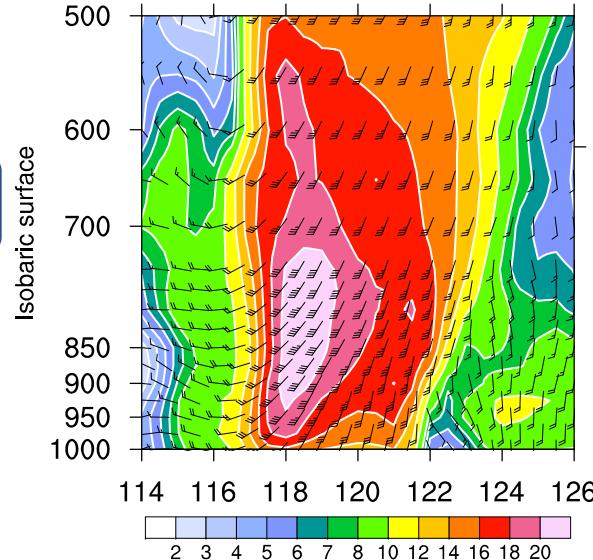
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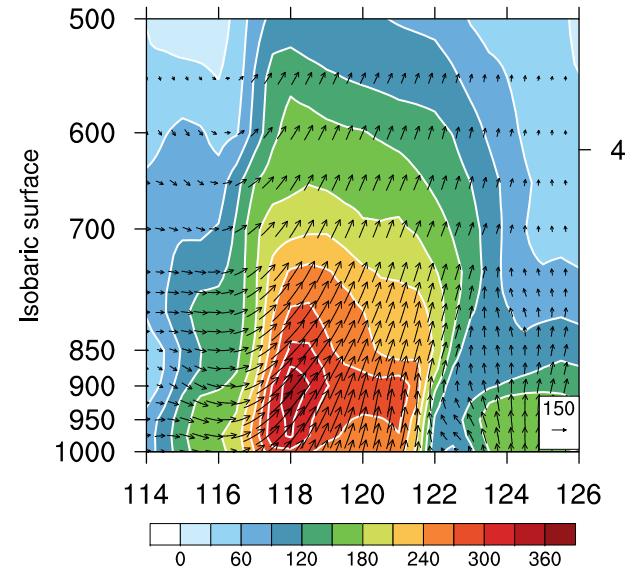
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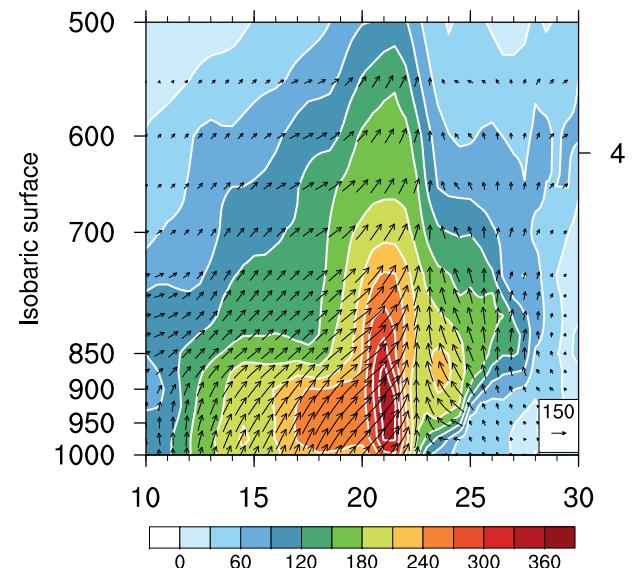
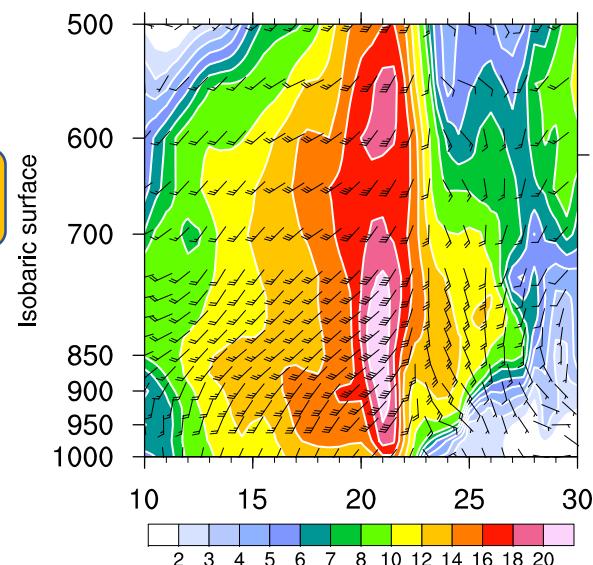
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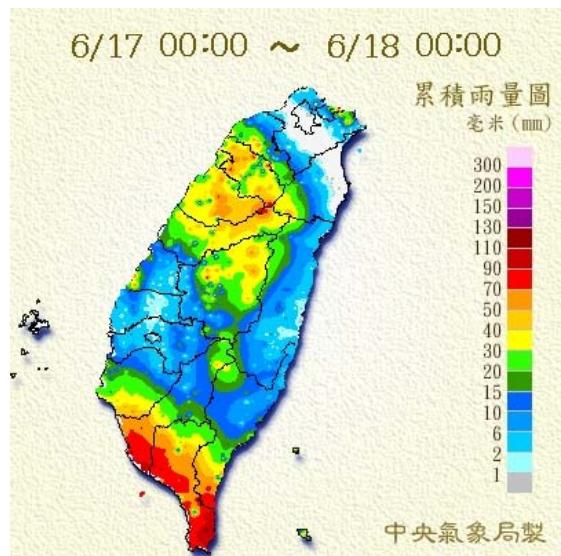
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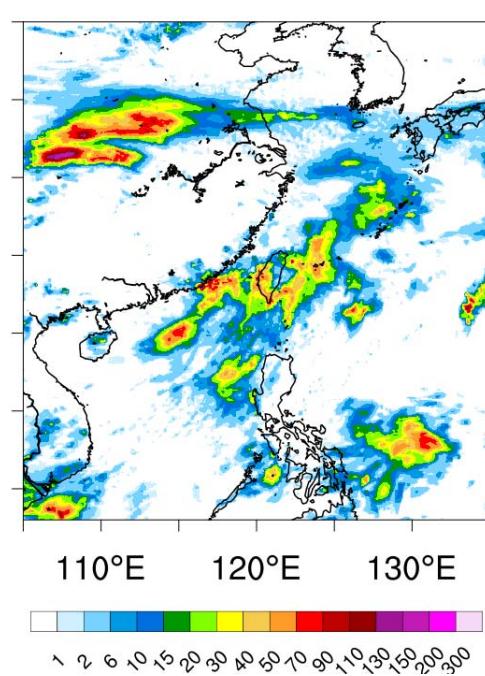
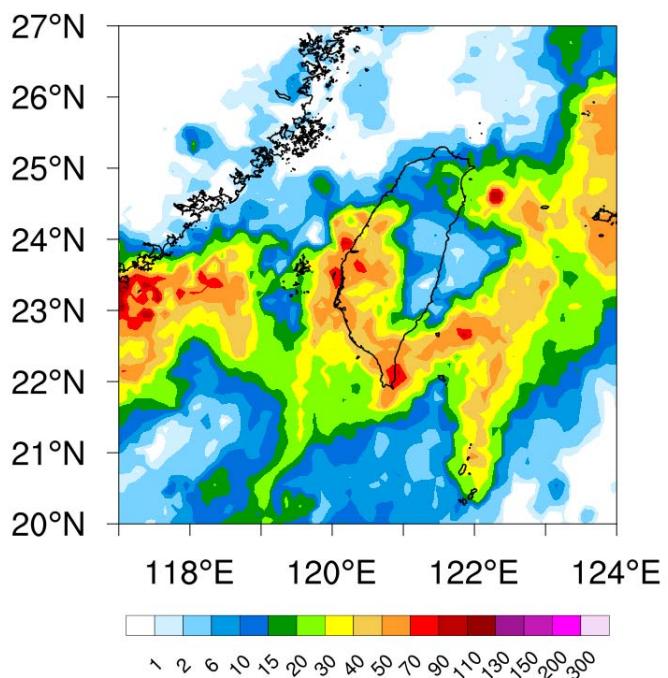
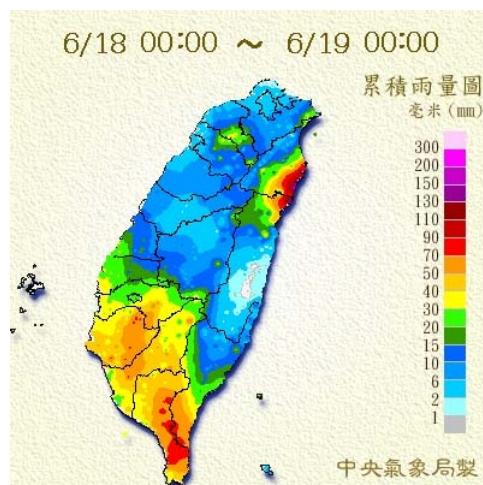
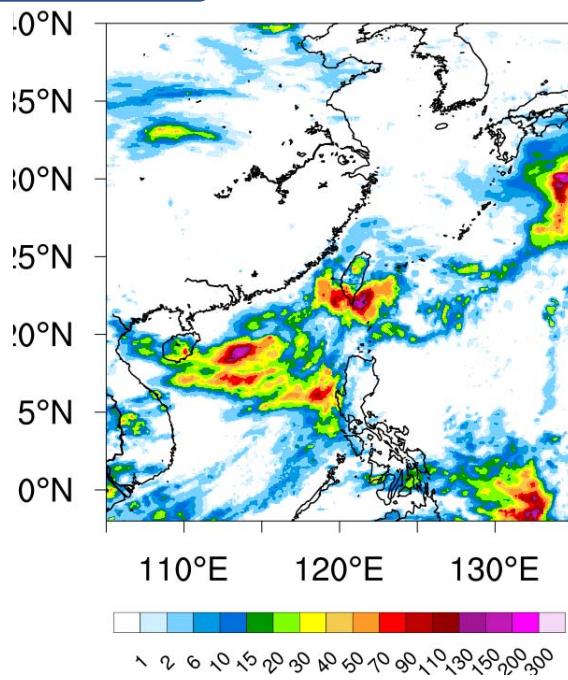
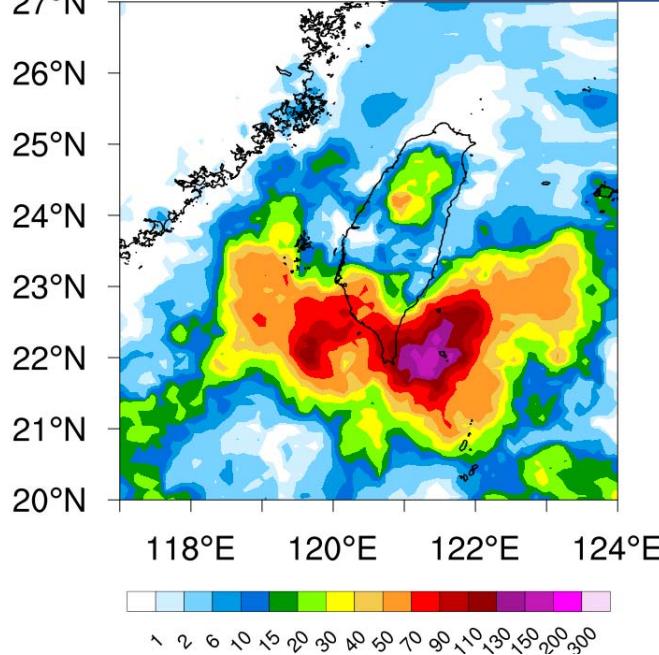
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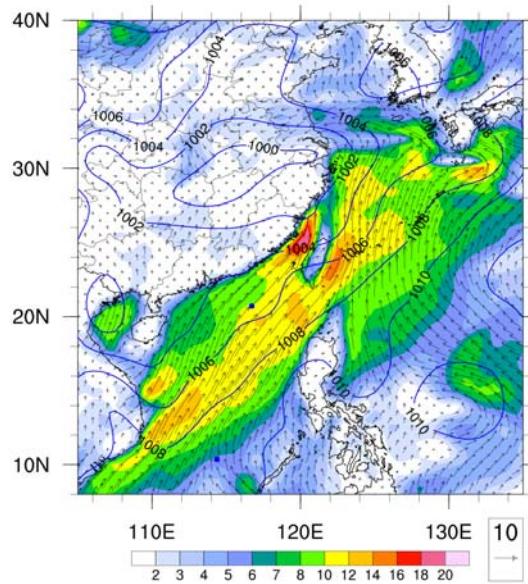
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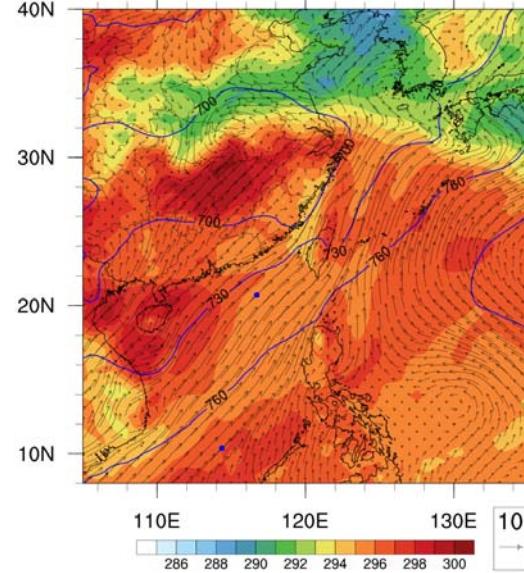
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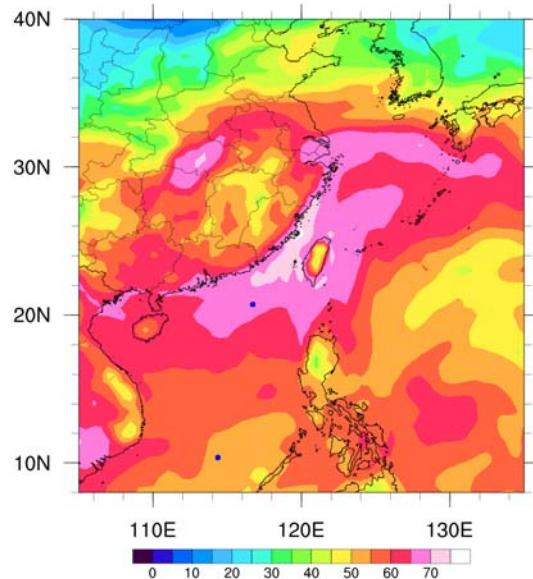


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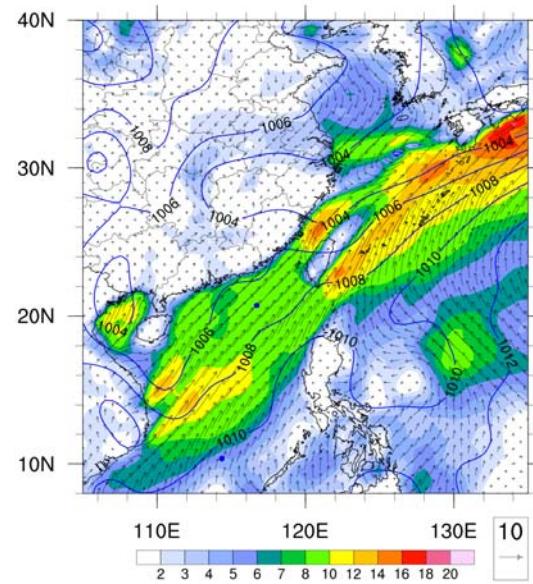


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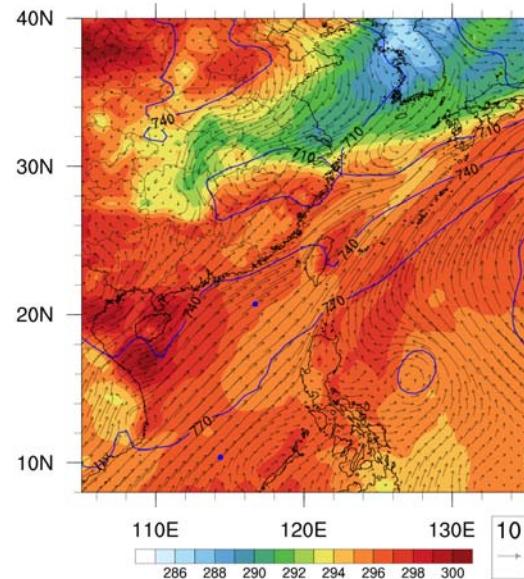
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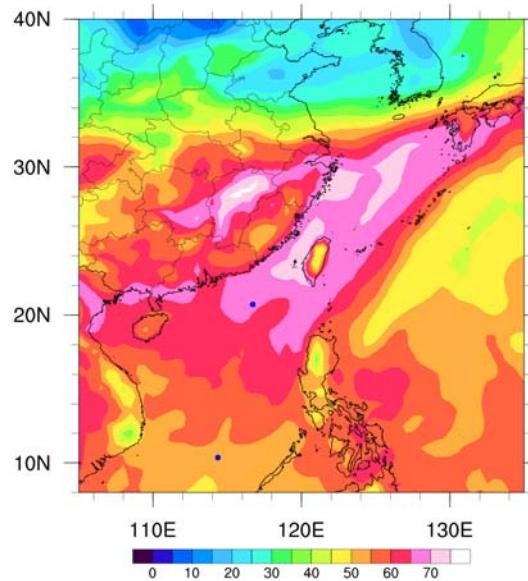
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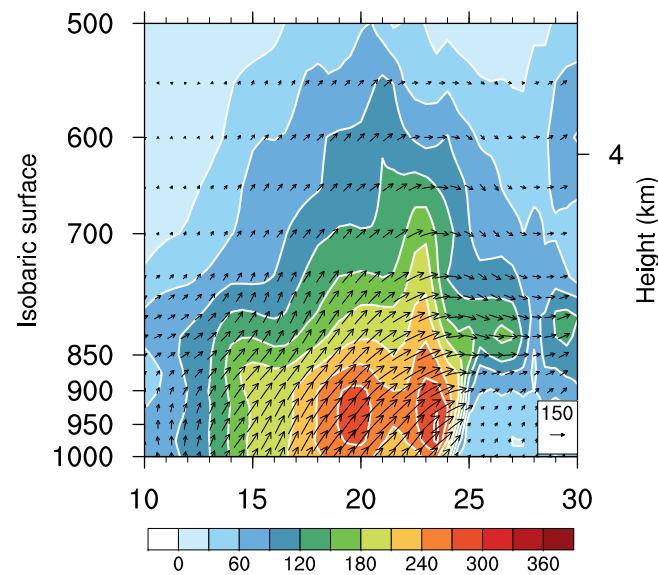
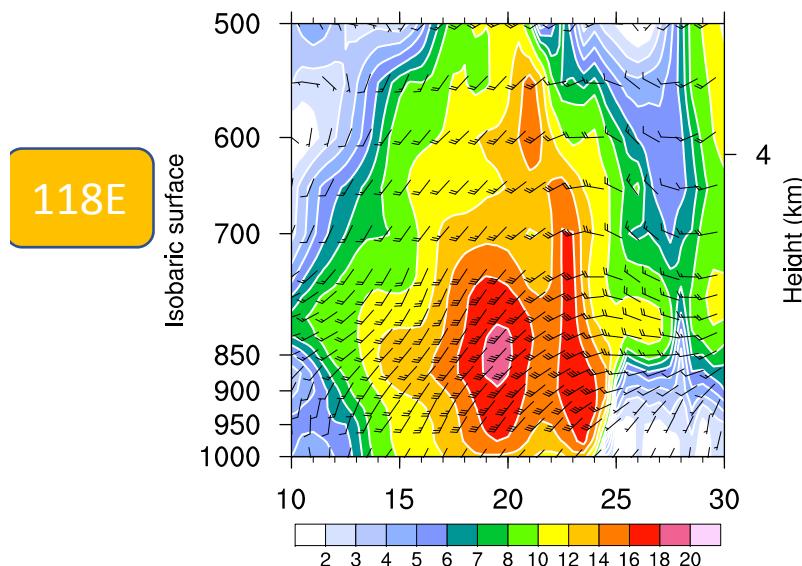
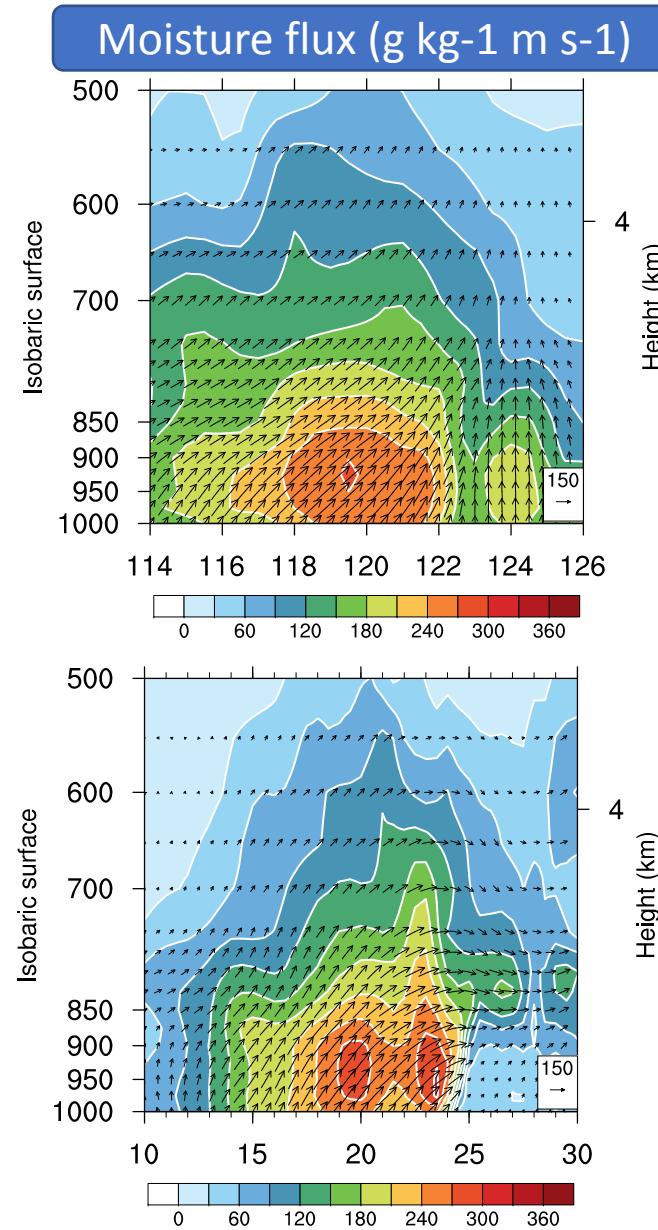
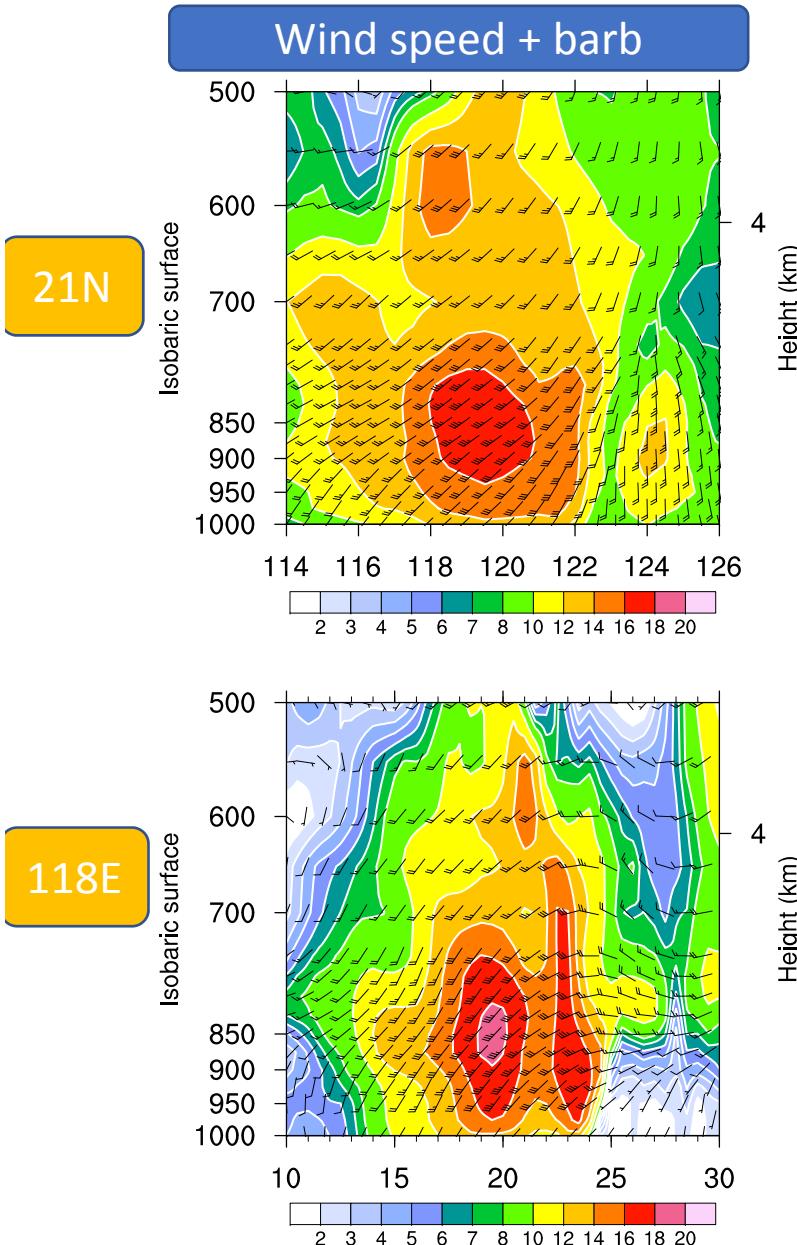
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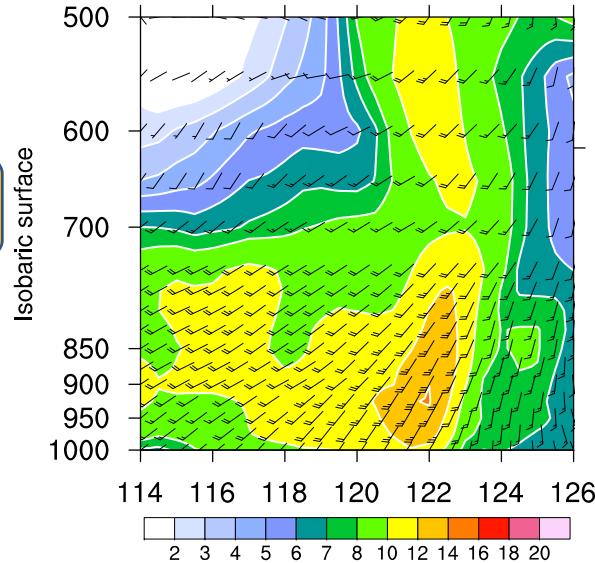
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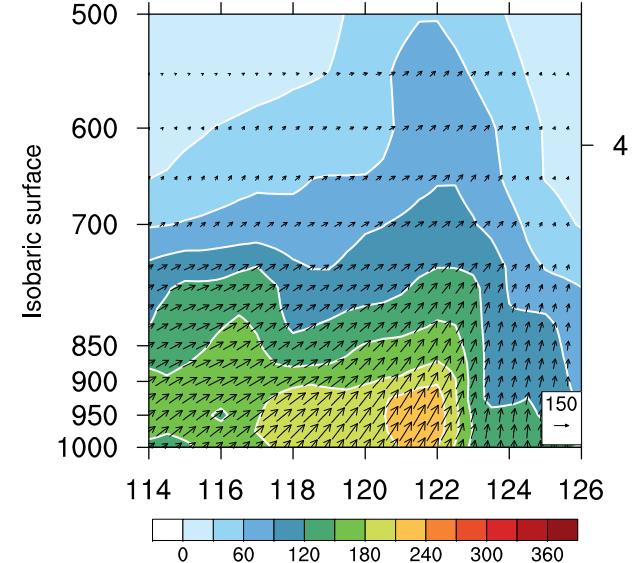
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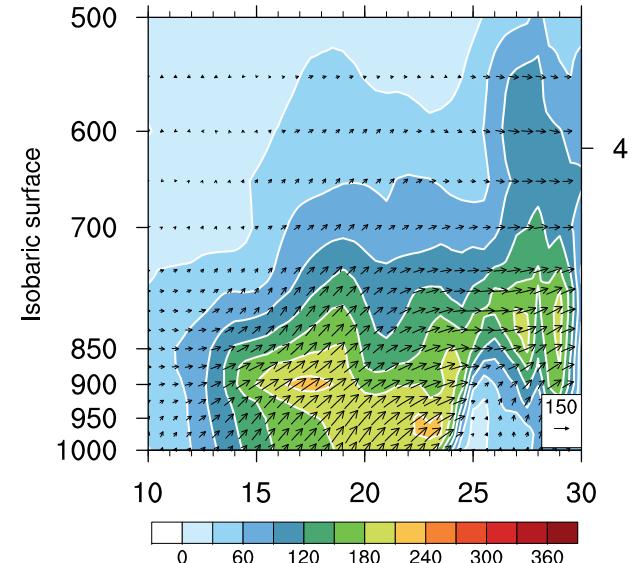
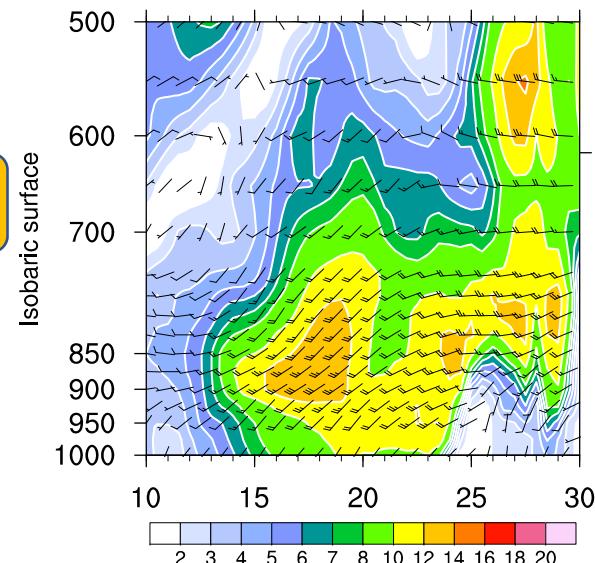
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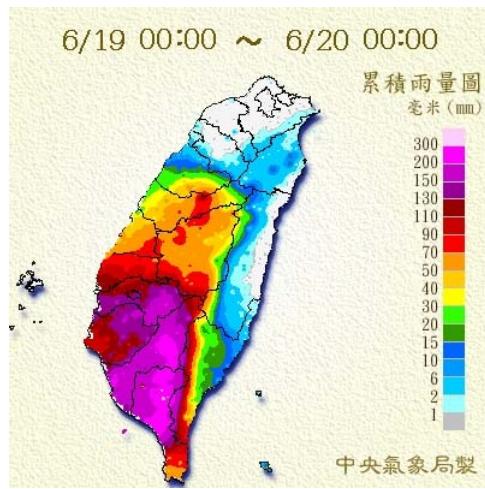
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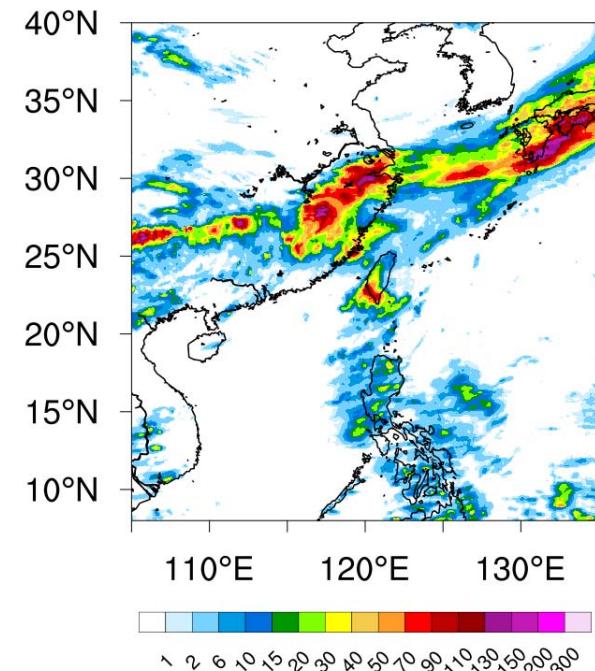
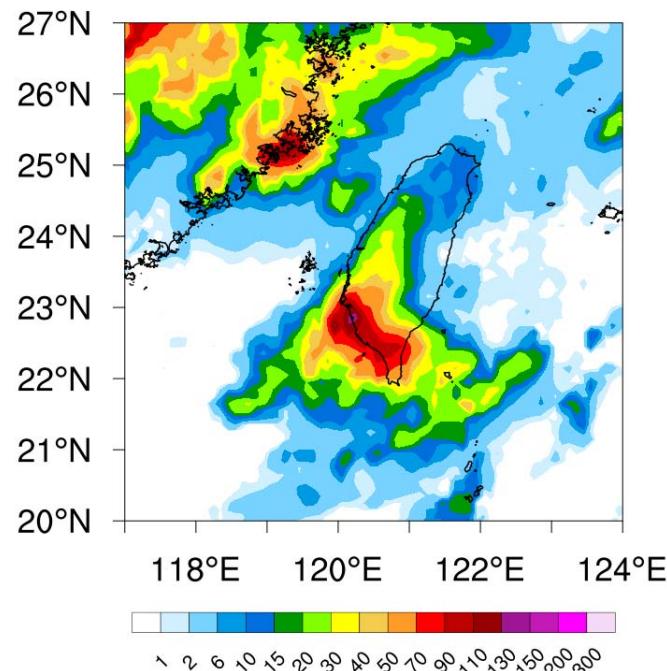
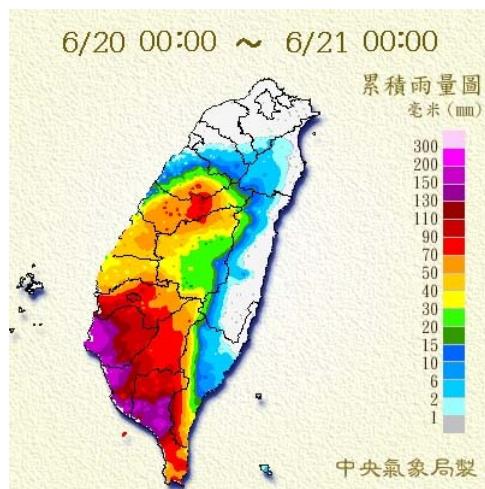
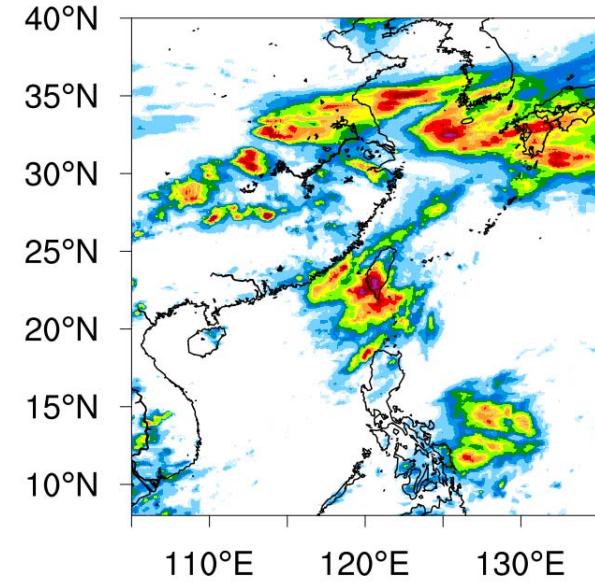
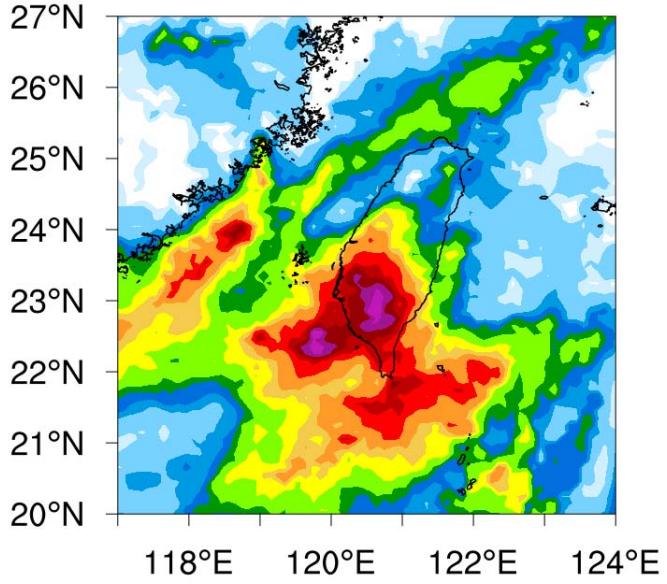
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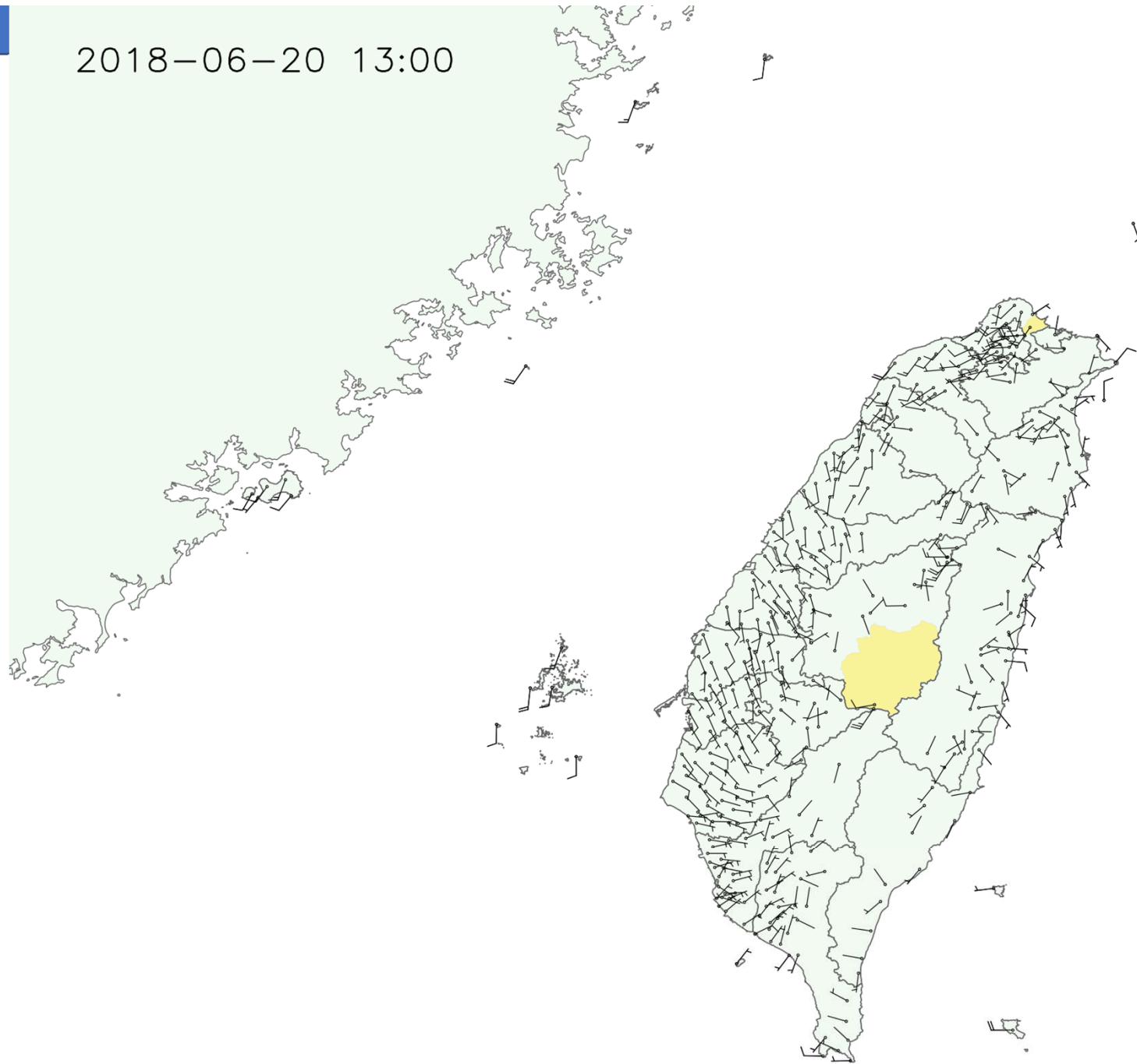
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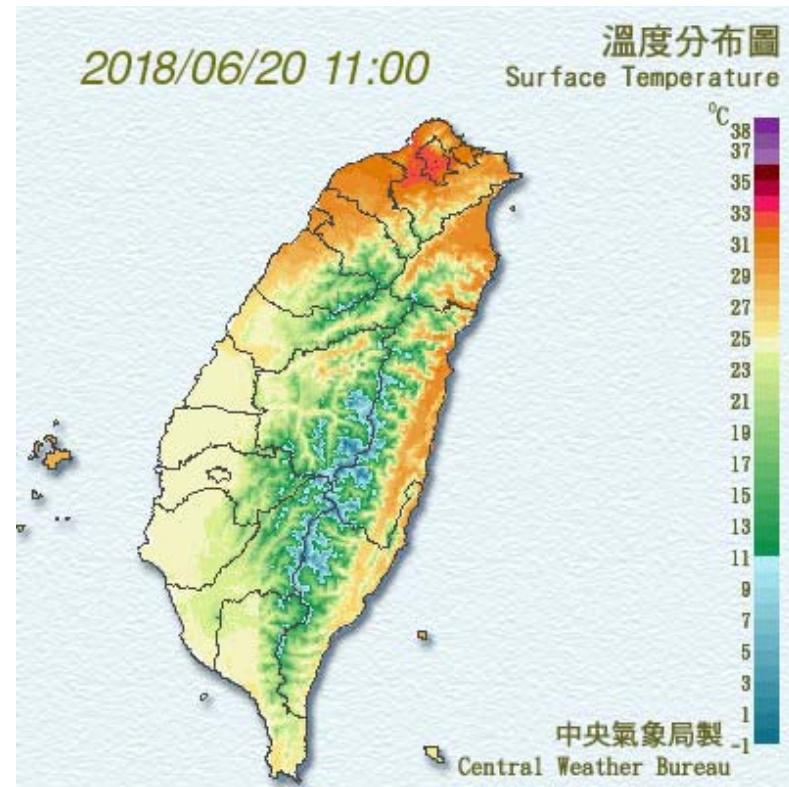
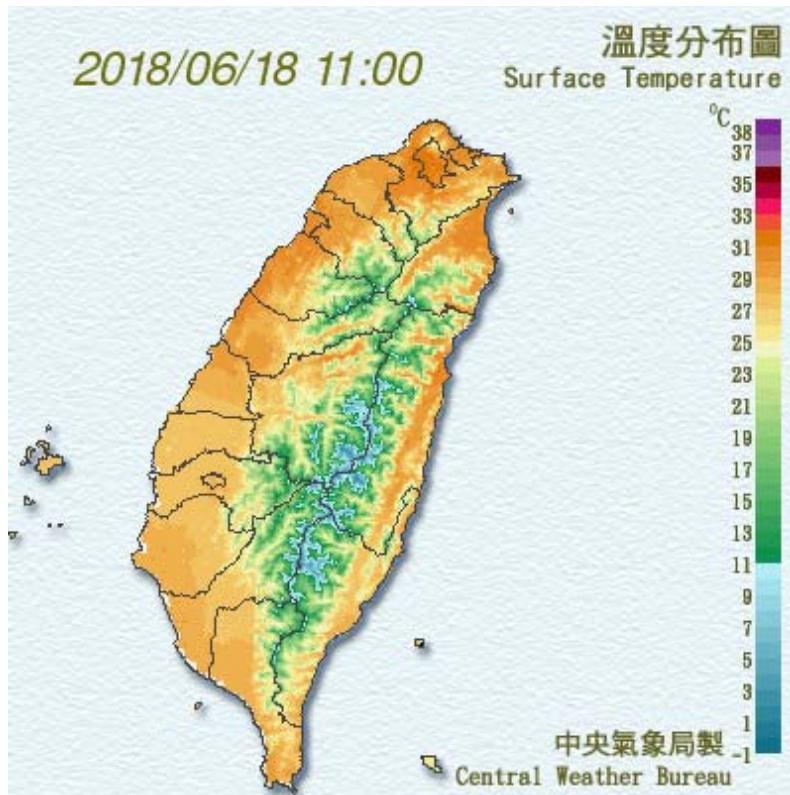
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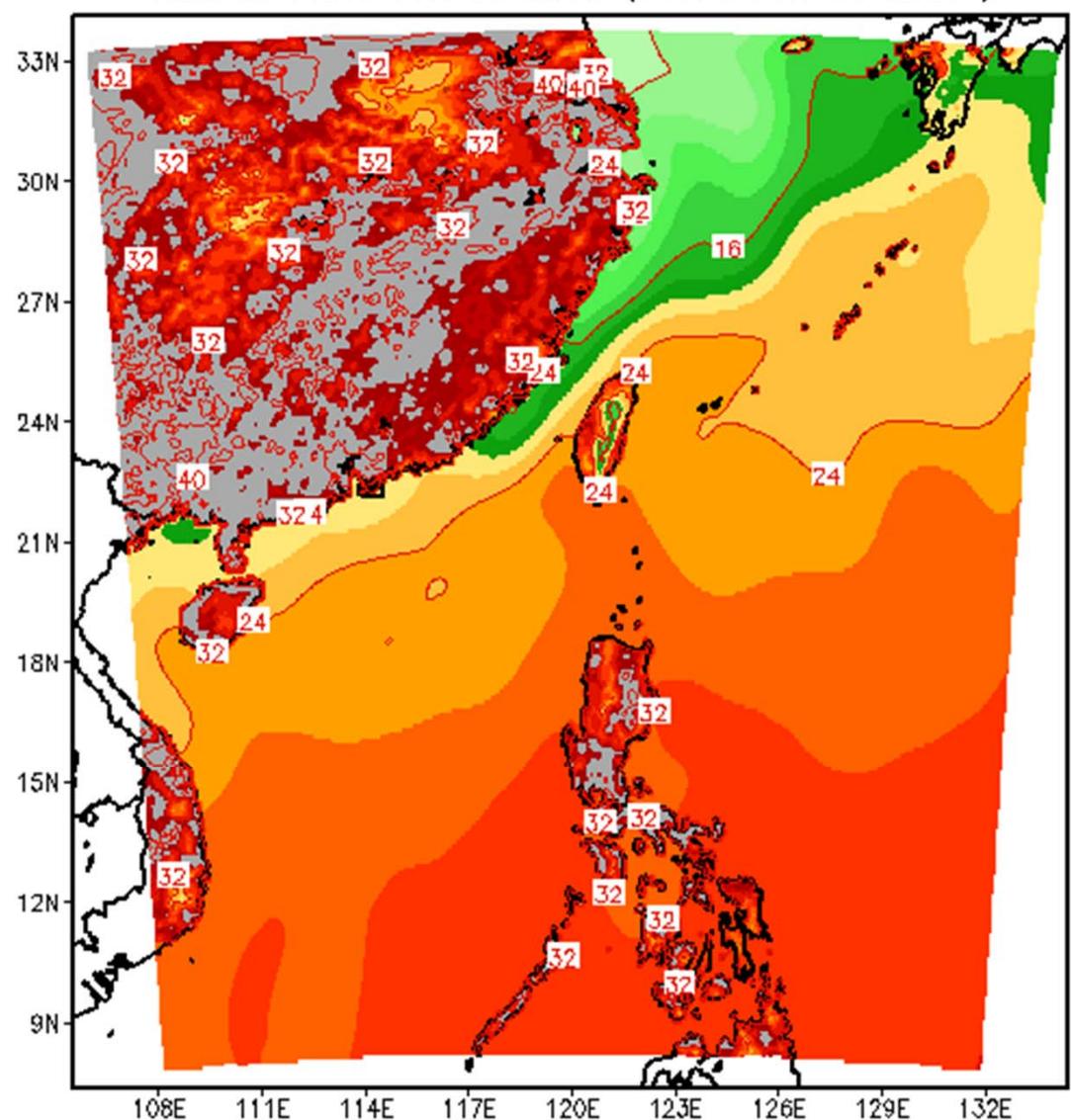
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## Summary

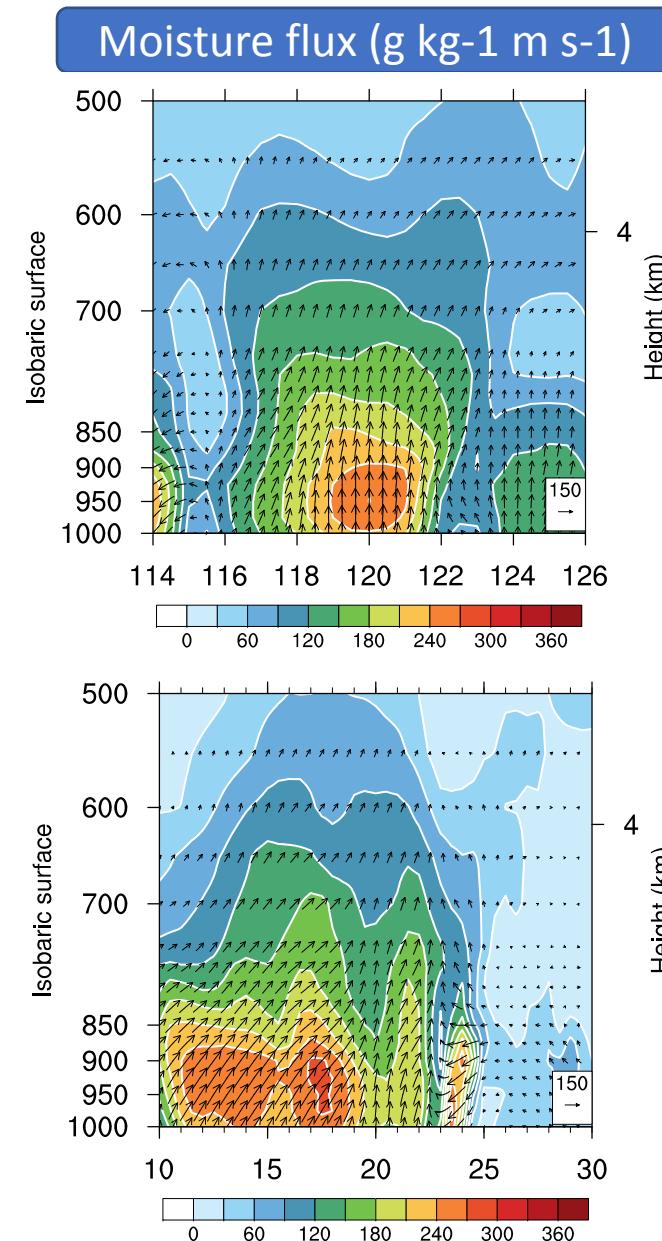
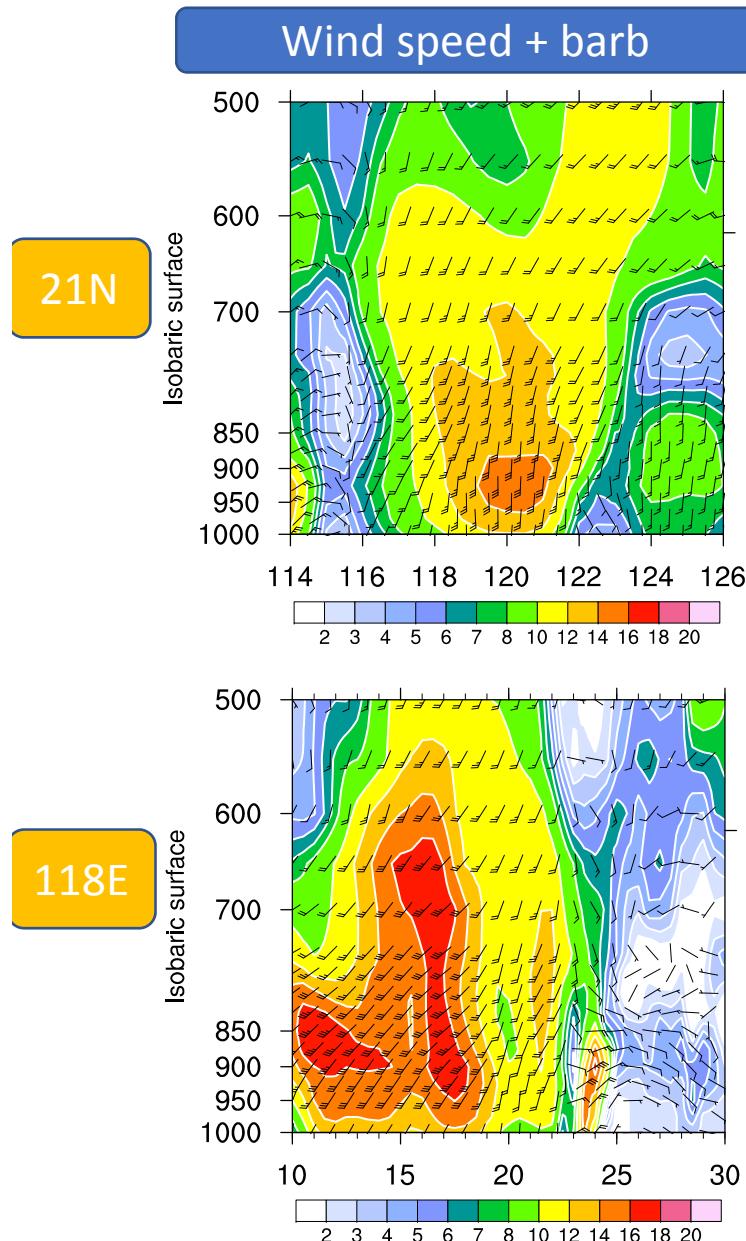
1. During the 19–20 June 2018 South China Sea Two-Island Monsoon Experiment (SCSTIMX), heavy precipitation ( $> 600 \text{ mm}$ ) occurred over southwestern Taiwan. Prior to this heavy rainfall event, a series of mesoscale cyclones formed along the NE-SW orientated Mei-Yu front south of Taiwan between the strong ( $> 15 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ ) cold northeasterlies coming from the Taiwan Strait and the warm, moist prefrontal southwesterly flow. These mesoscale cyclones developed in the **open ocean in the subtropics under baroclinic settings**.
2. On 15 June, heavy rainfall ( $> 300 \text{ mm}$ ) occurred over southern Taiwan with maximum rainfall in the Pintung County due to the passage of a mesocyclone in a warm moist environment.
3. The dissipation of the Mei-Yu front south of Taiwan occurred after the last mesocyclone made landfall over the southern China coast around 0600 UTC 18 June, bringing SSW monsoon flow over the Taiwan area. During 18 June, the SSW monsoon flow strengthened and extended northeastward.
4. During 19–20 June, the horizontal moisture fluxes associated with the strong ( $> 20 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ ) SSW monsoon flow occurred primarily within the marine boundary layer (MBL) with maximum TPW  $> 65 \text{ mm}$ .
5. The heavy rainfall over southwestern Taiwan during 19-20 June is mainly caused by the warm, moist marine boundary jet (MBLJ) impinging on southwestern Taiwan under favorable large scale settings including warm advection within the SSW monsoon flow and the passage of a 500-hPa trough to the north.
6. On 19 June, the maximum rainfall axis ( $> 300 \text{ mm}$ ) occurred on the windward slopes of the Central Mountain Range due to orographic blocking and lifting.
7. On 20 June, with the development of cold pool ( $\sim 25^\circ\text{C}$ ) over southwestern Taiwan, due to rain evaporative cooling, the rainfall maximum ( $> 300 \text{ mm}$ ) occurred along the southwestern coast.
8. This heavy rainfall event over southern Taiwan ended in the late afternoon of 20 June after the weakening of the MBLJ due to the westward extension of the West Pacific Subtropical High.

Thank you

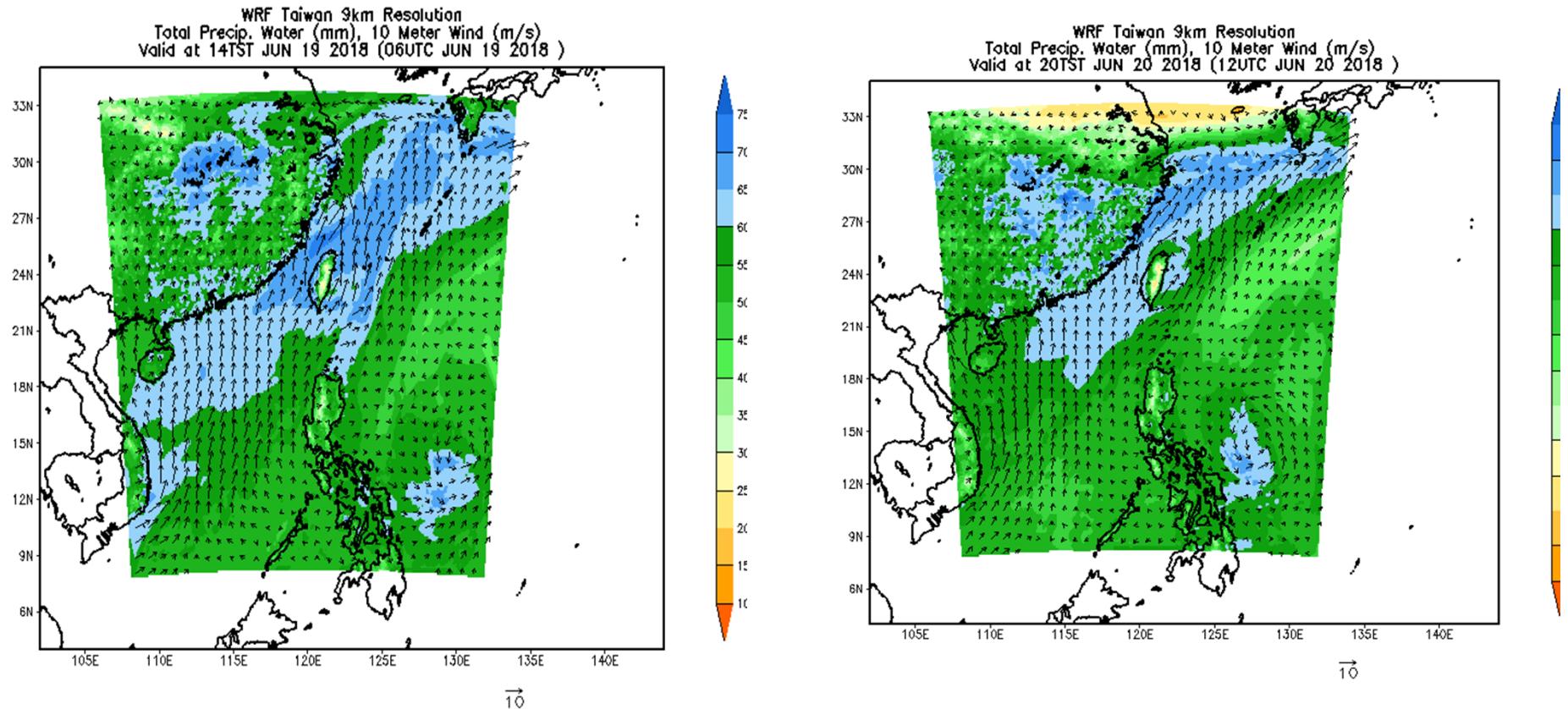
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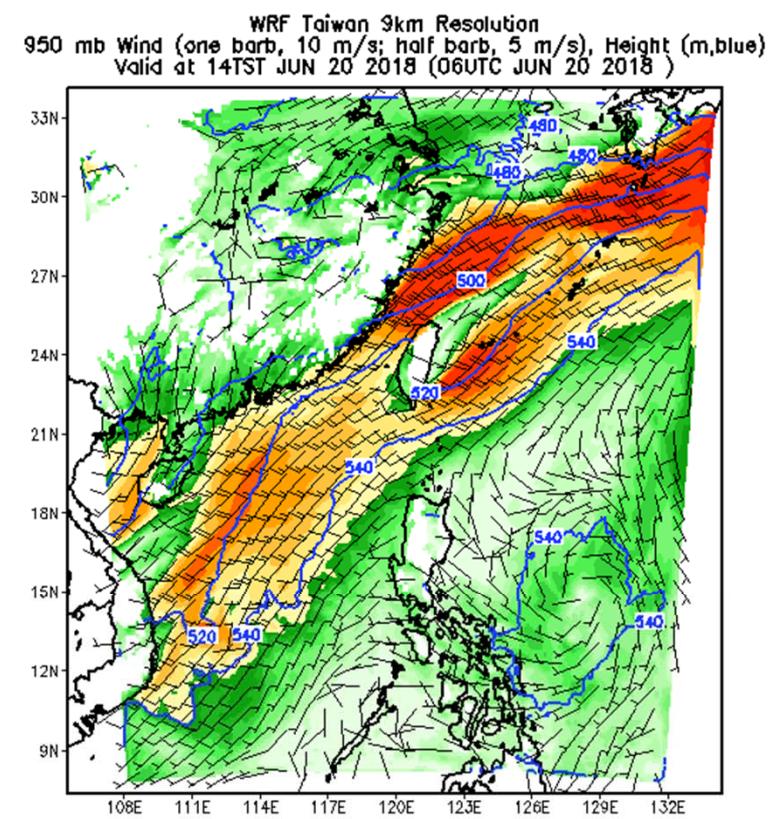
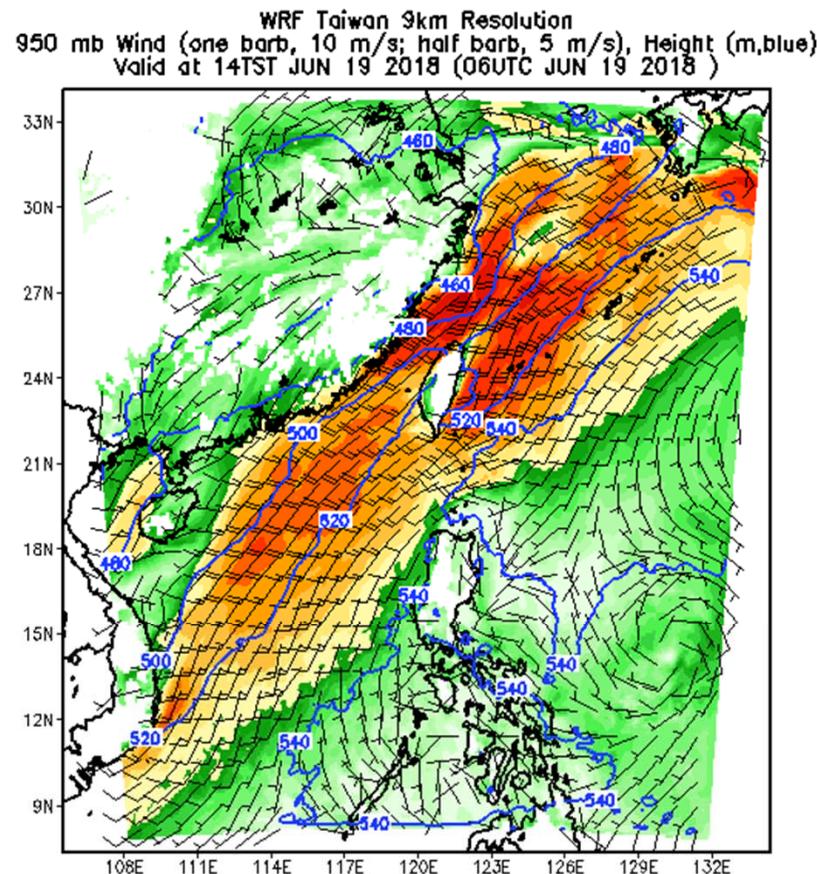
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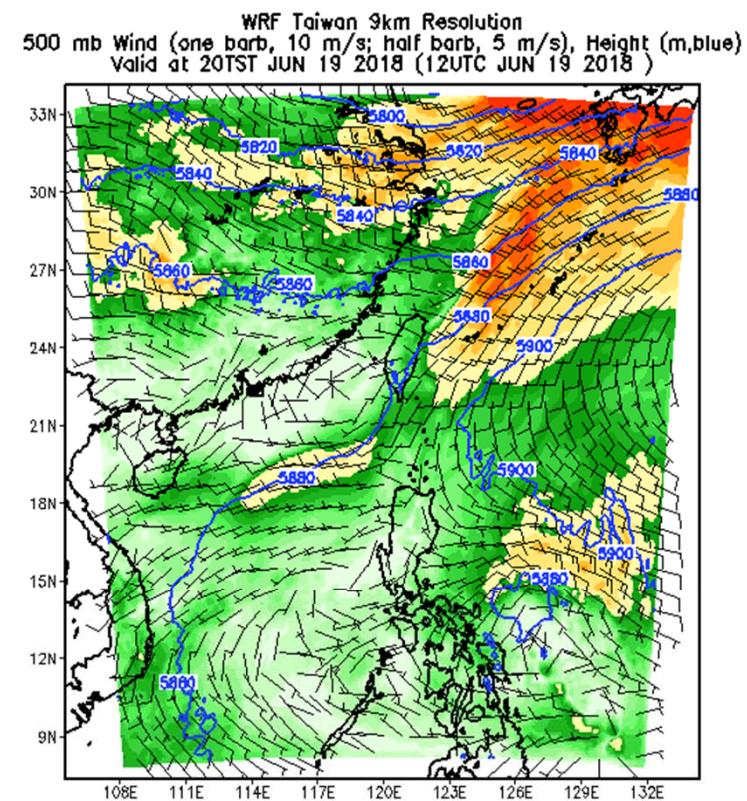
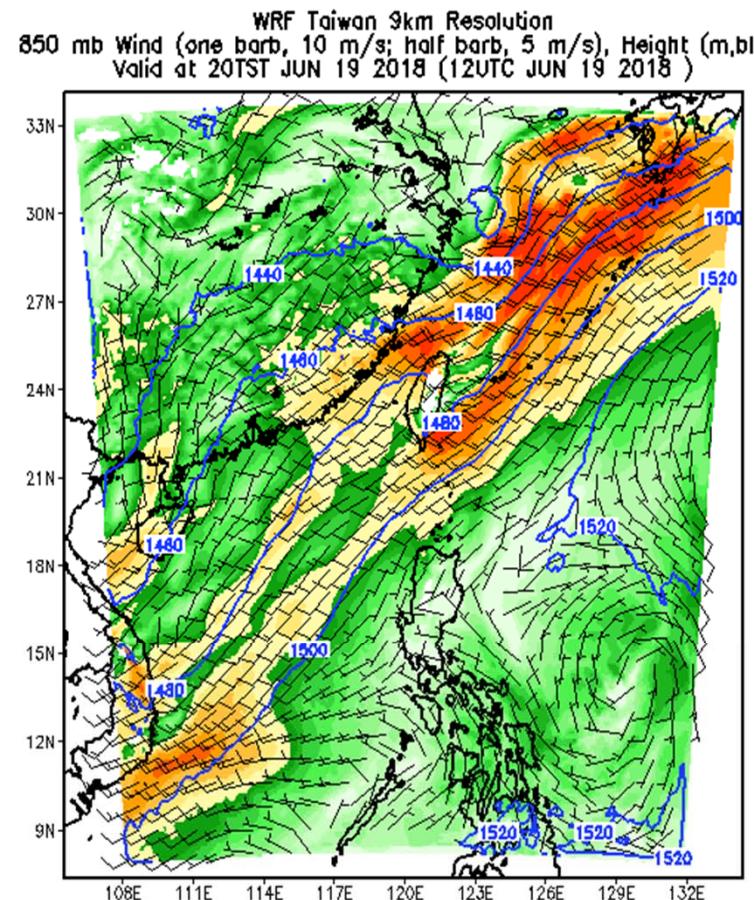
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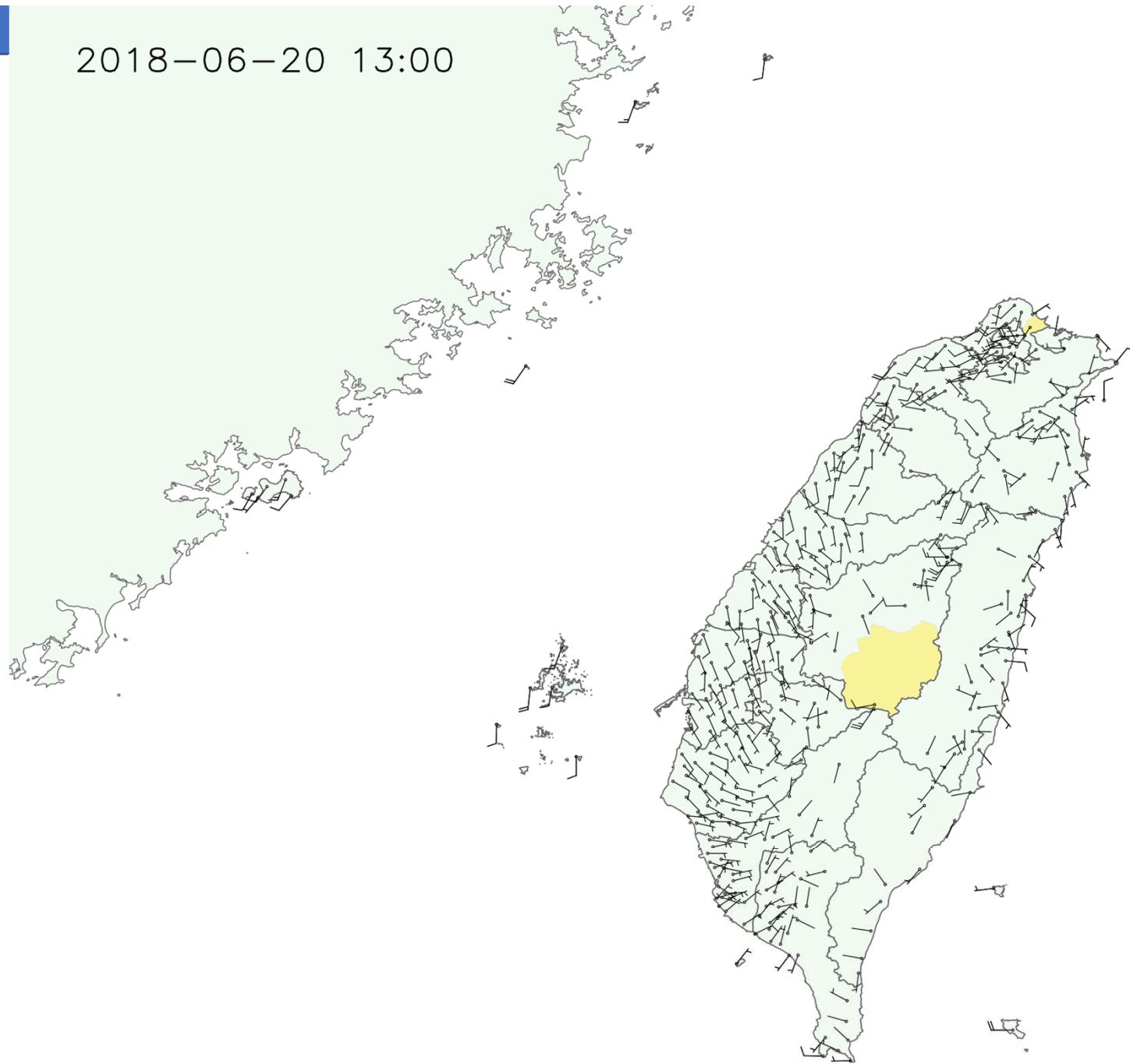
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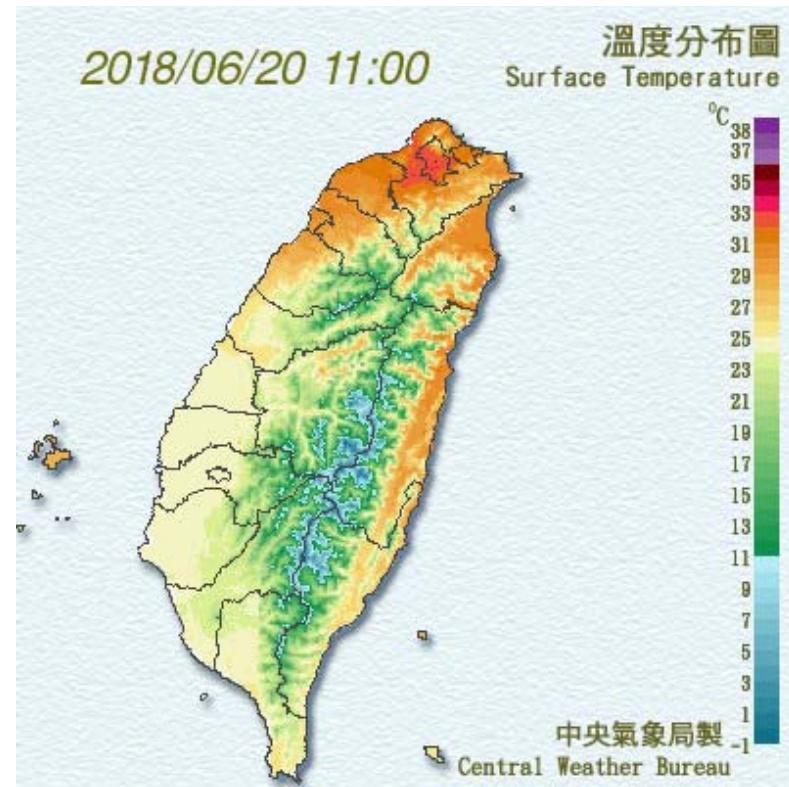
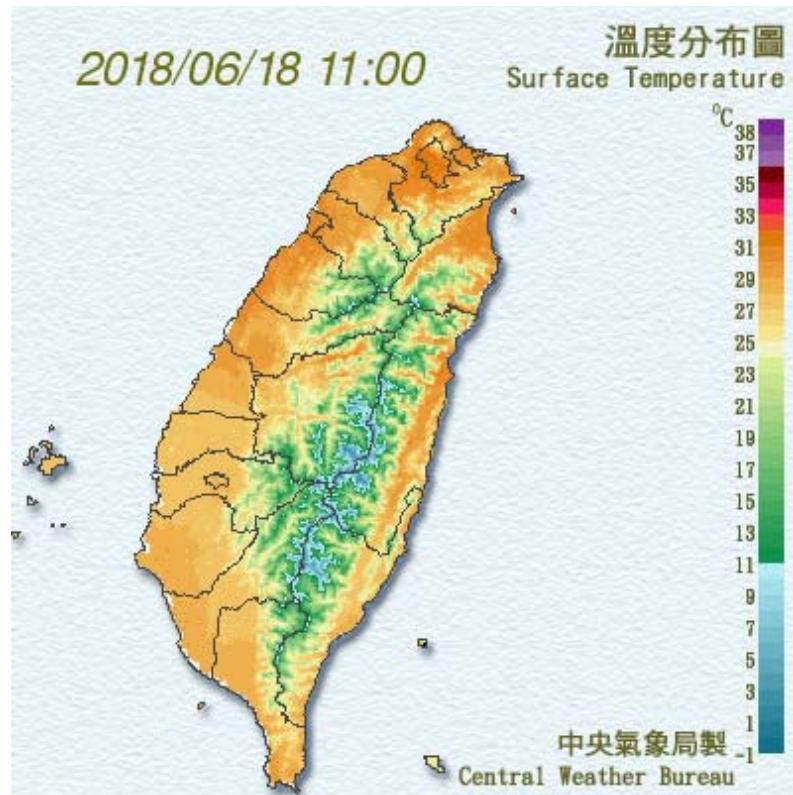
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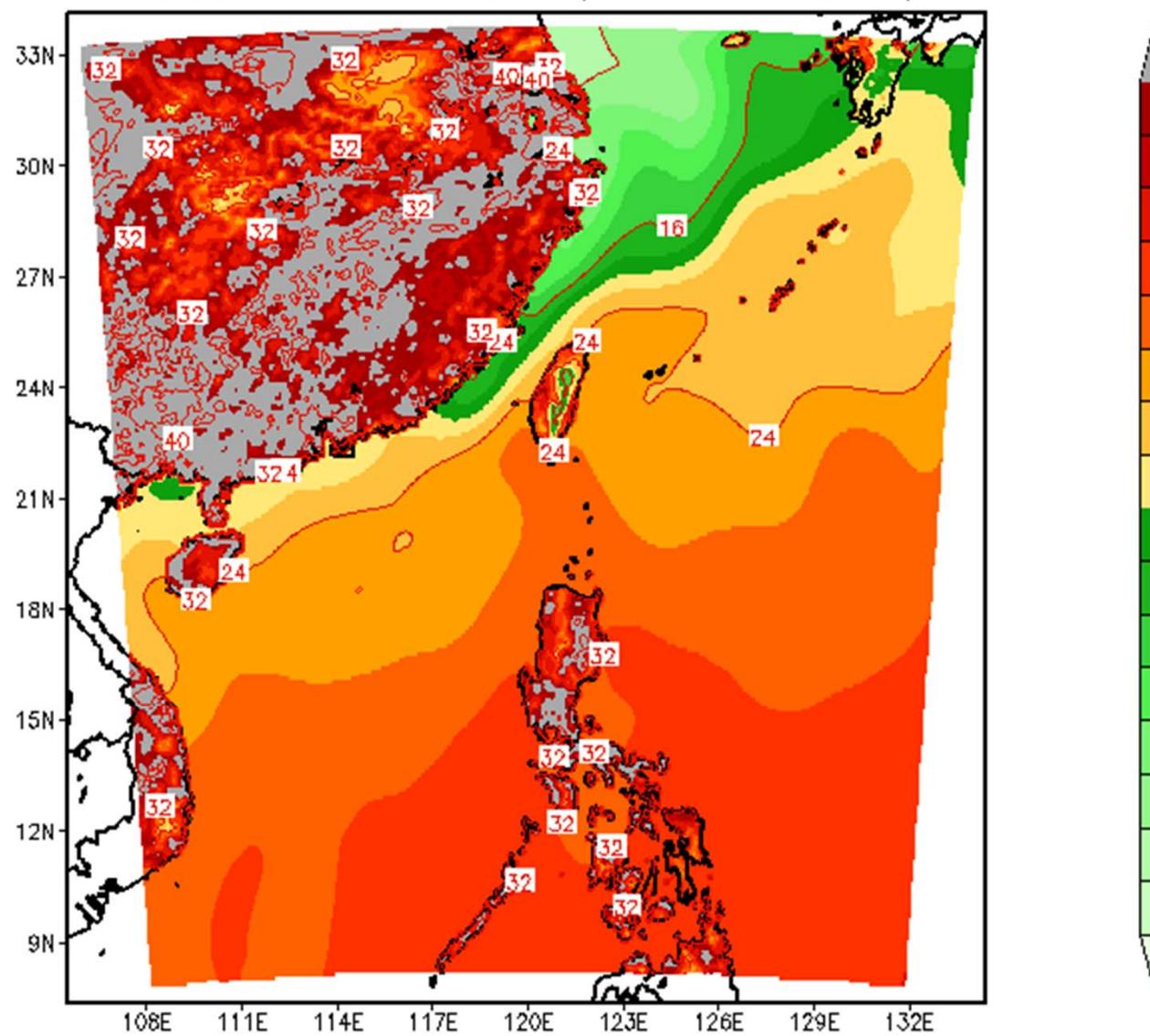
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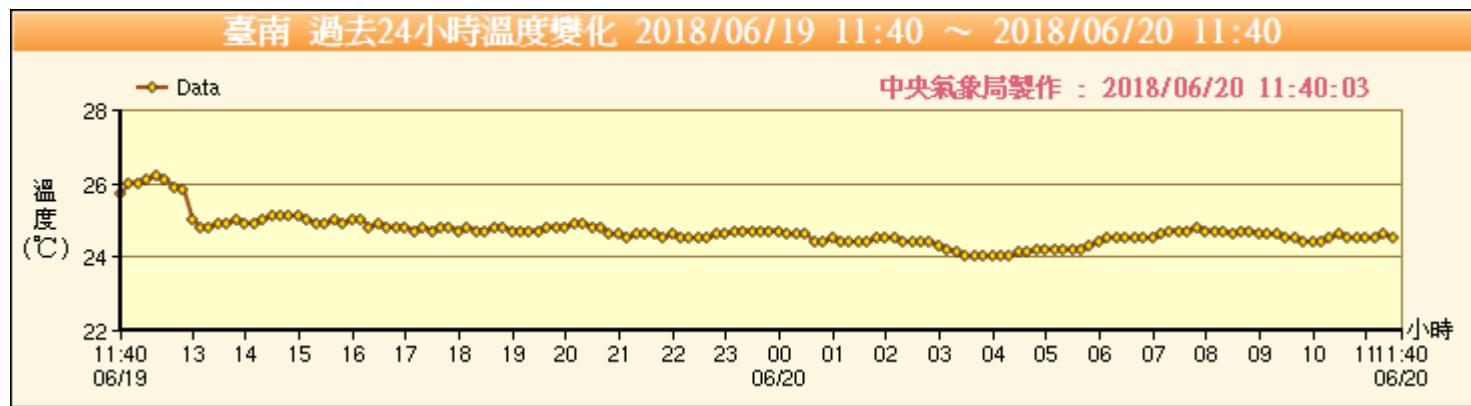
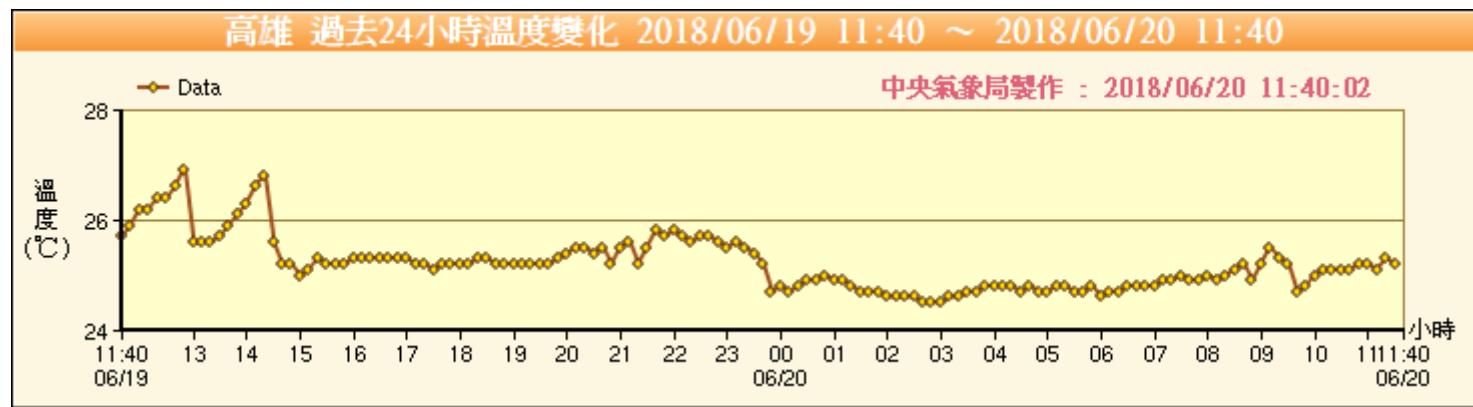


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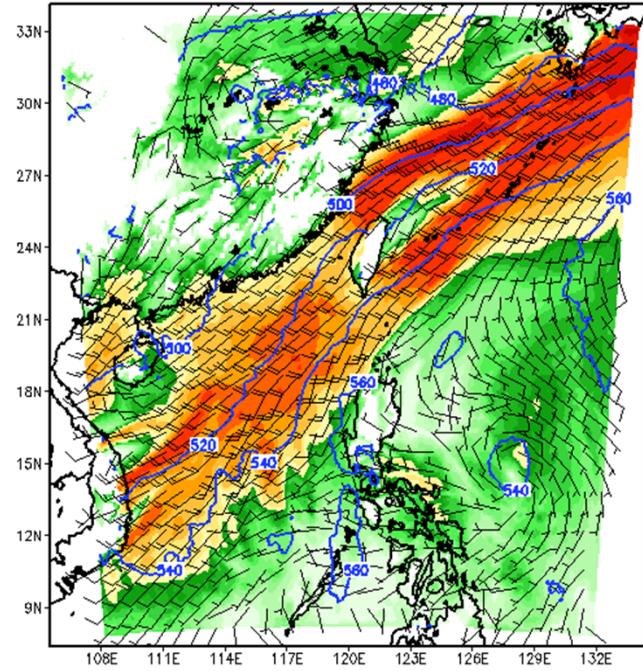


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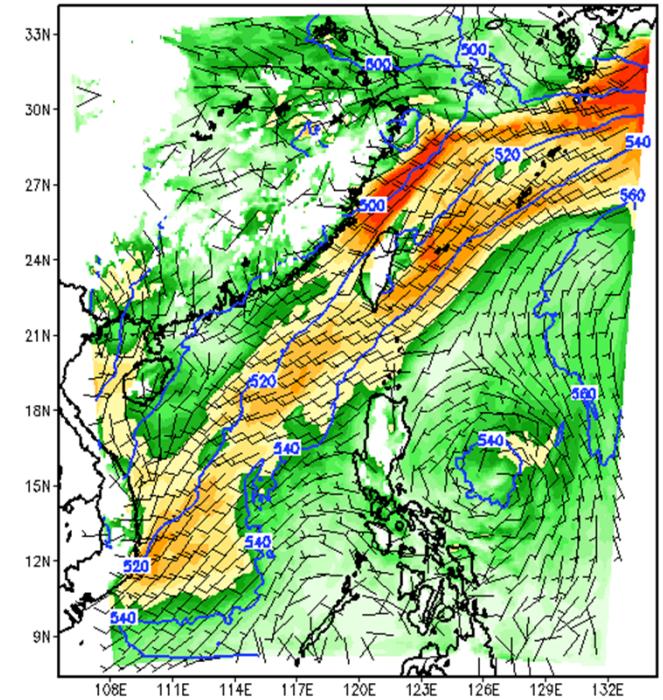




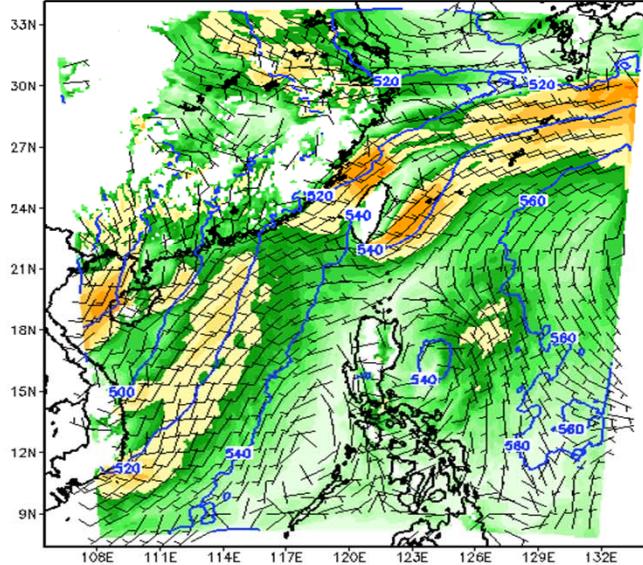
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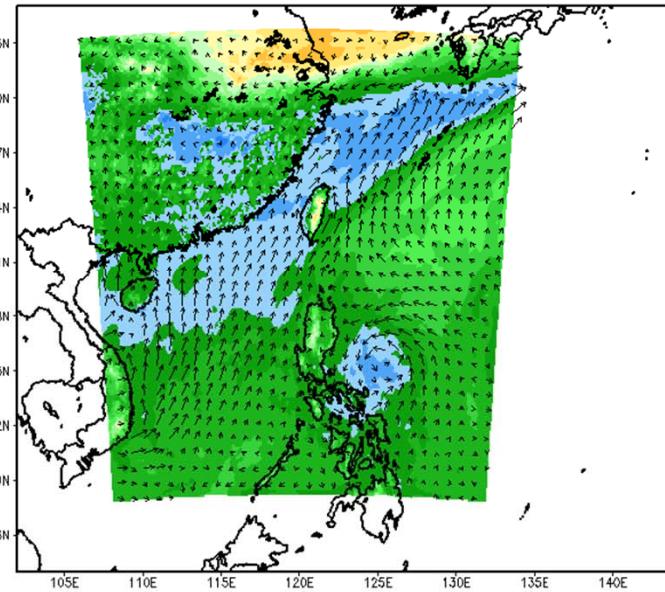
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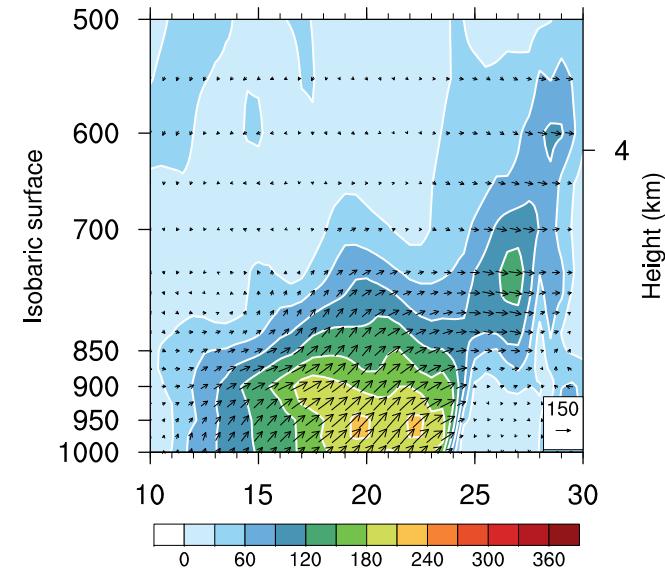
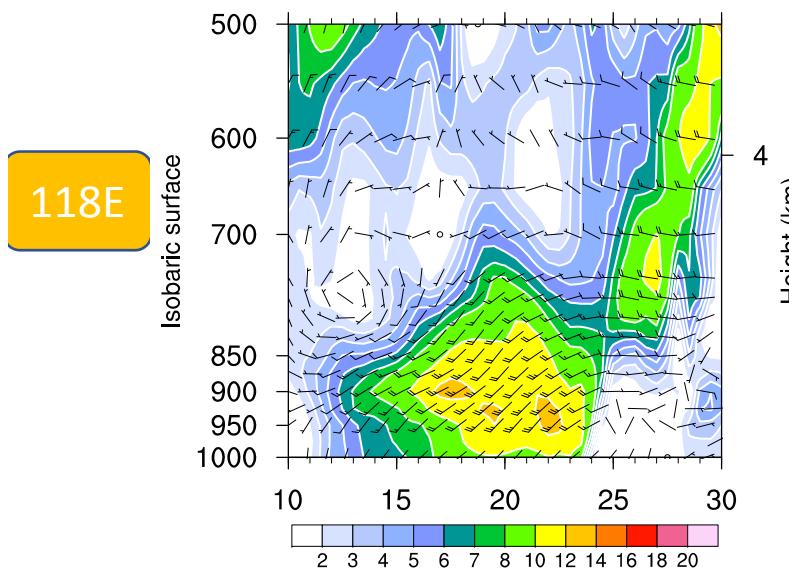
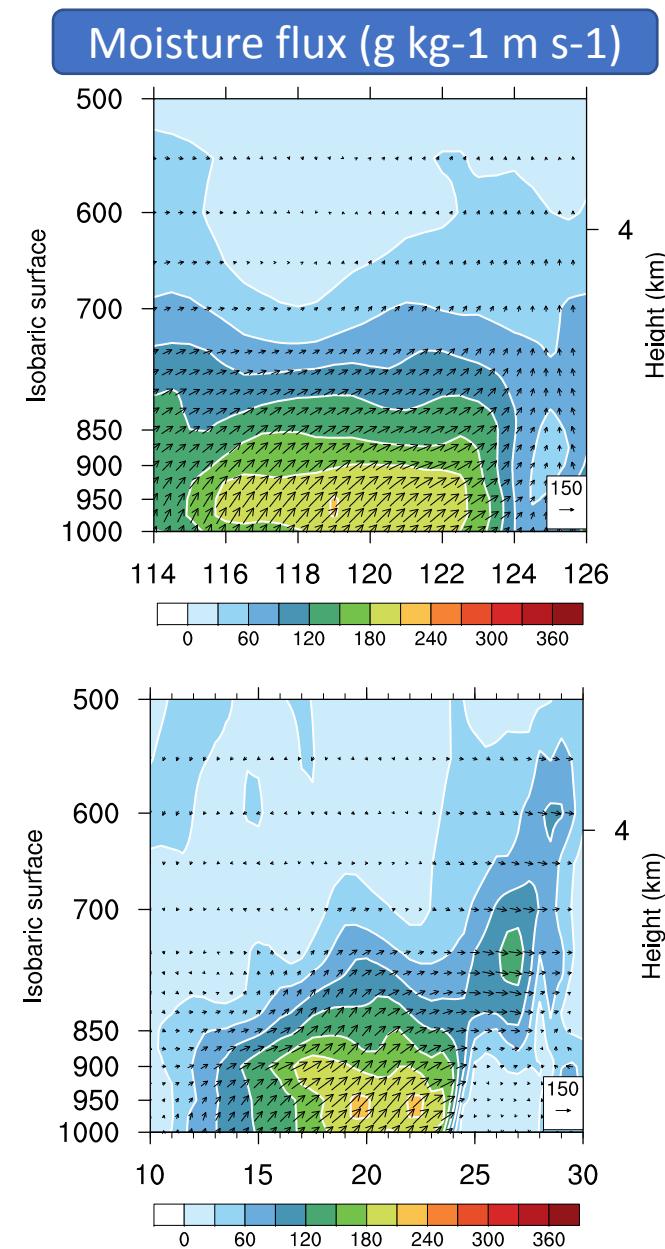
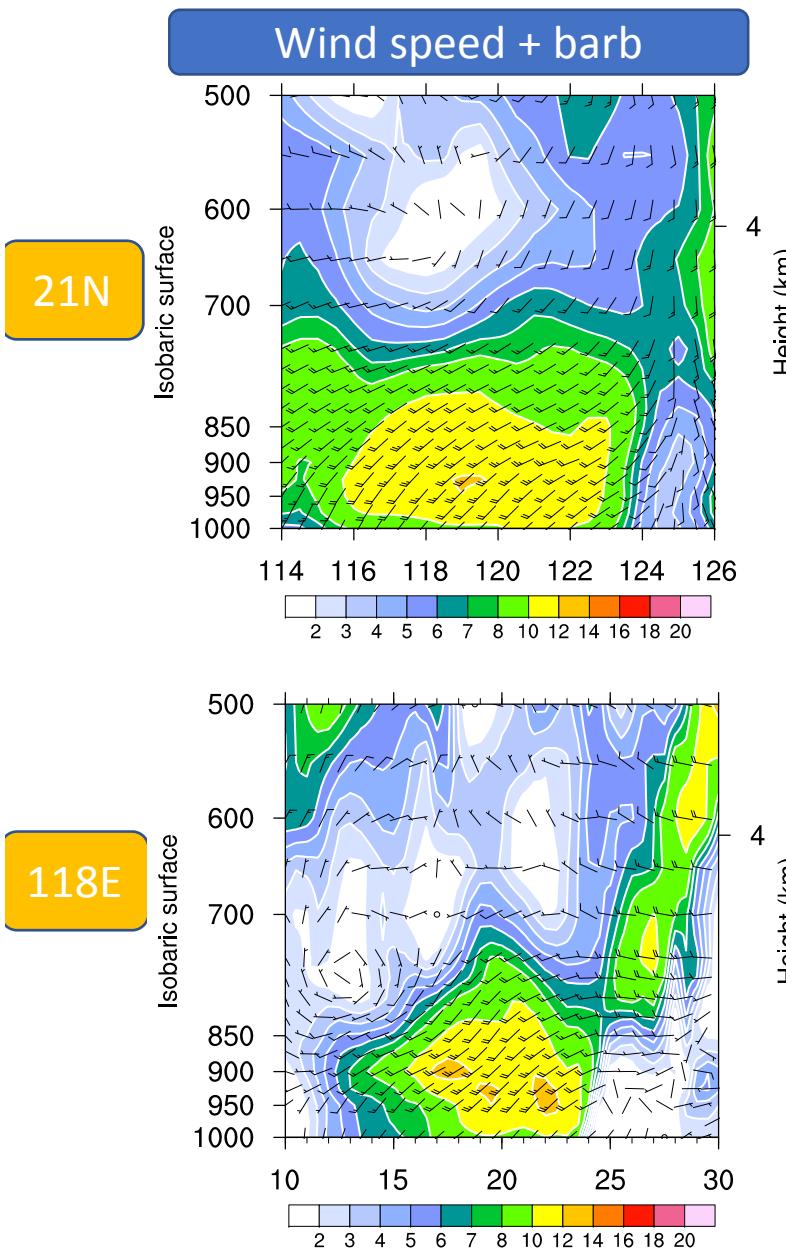


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Total Precip. Water (mm), 10 Meter Wind (m/s)  
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Vertical cross section at 21N and 118E  
 (Marine boundary layer jet) 6/21 00UTC

1 barb=5m/s

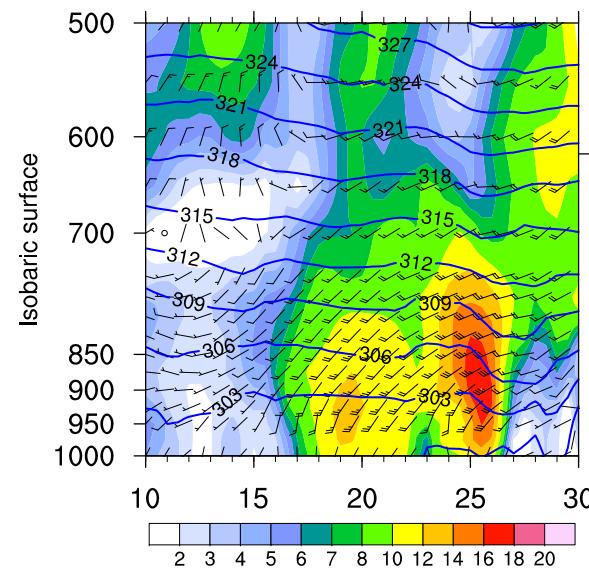




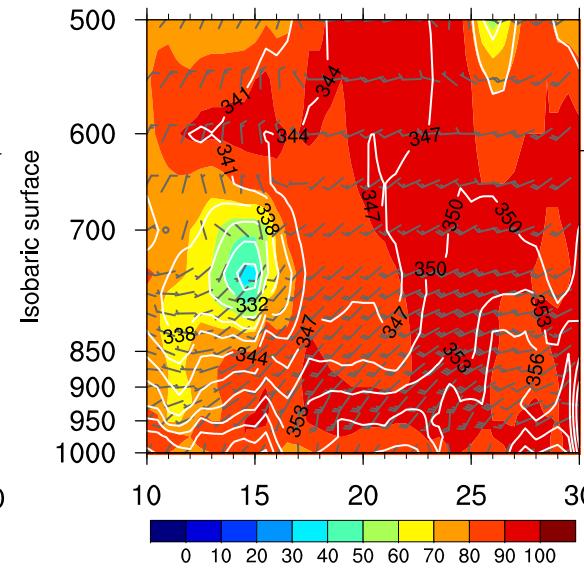
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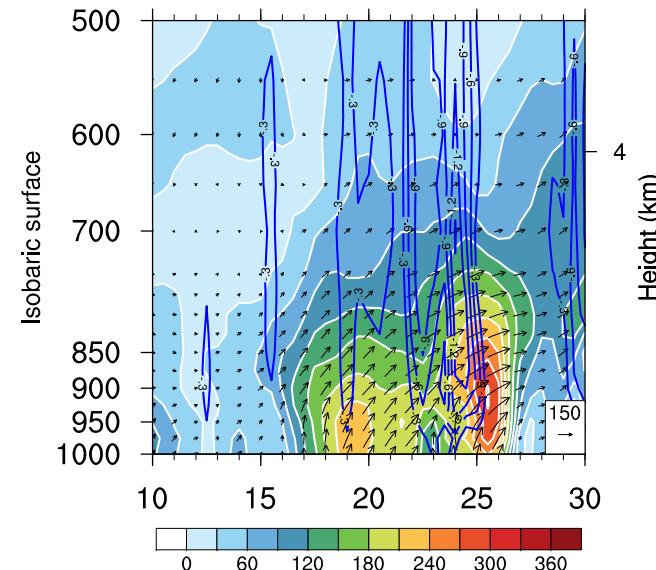
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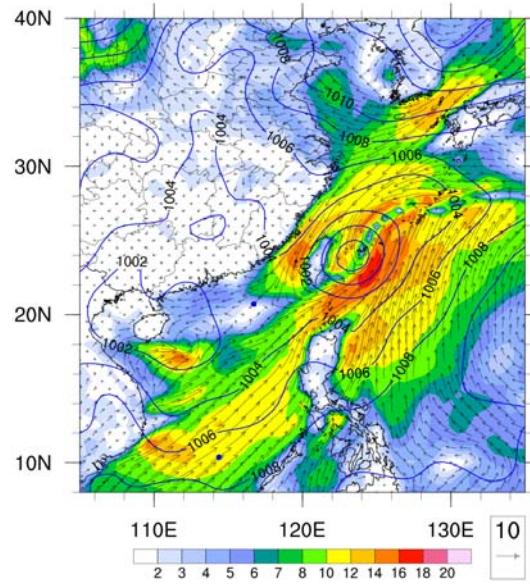
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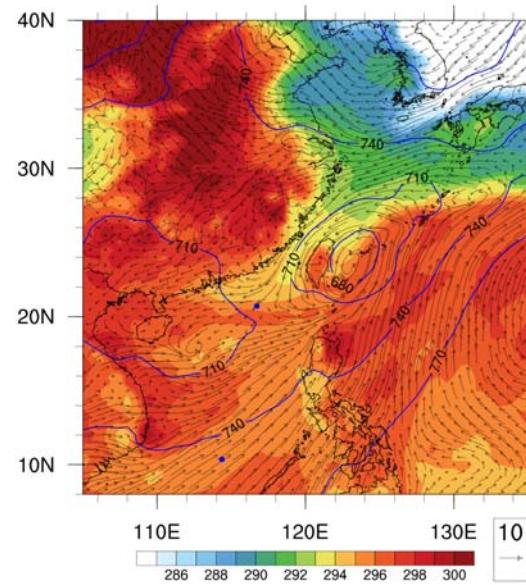
Moisture flux  
+w(Pa/s, upward)



SLP+10m Winds

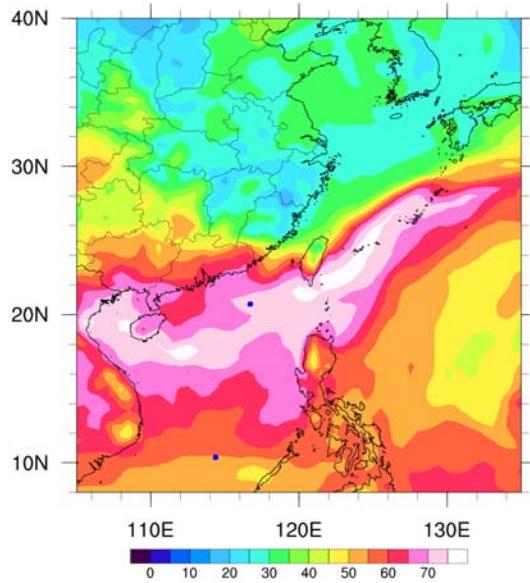


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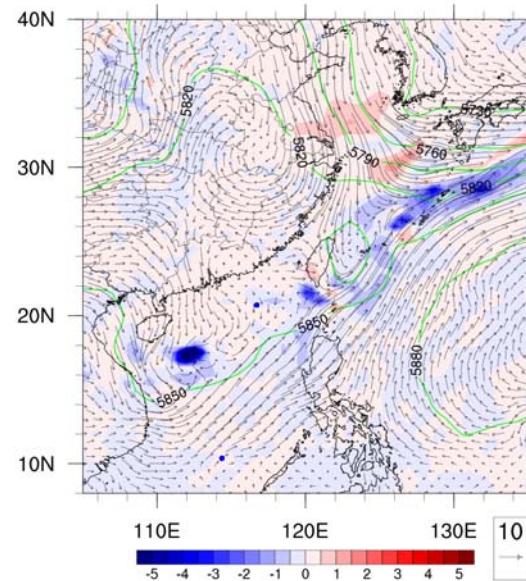


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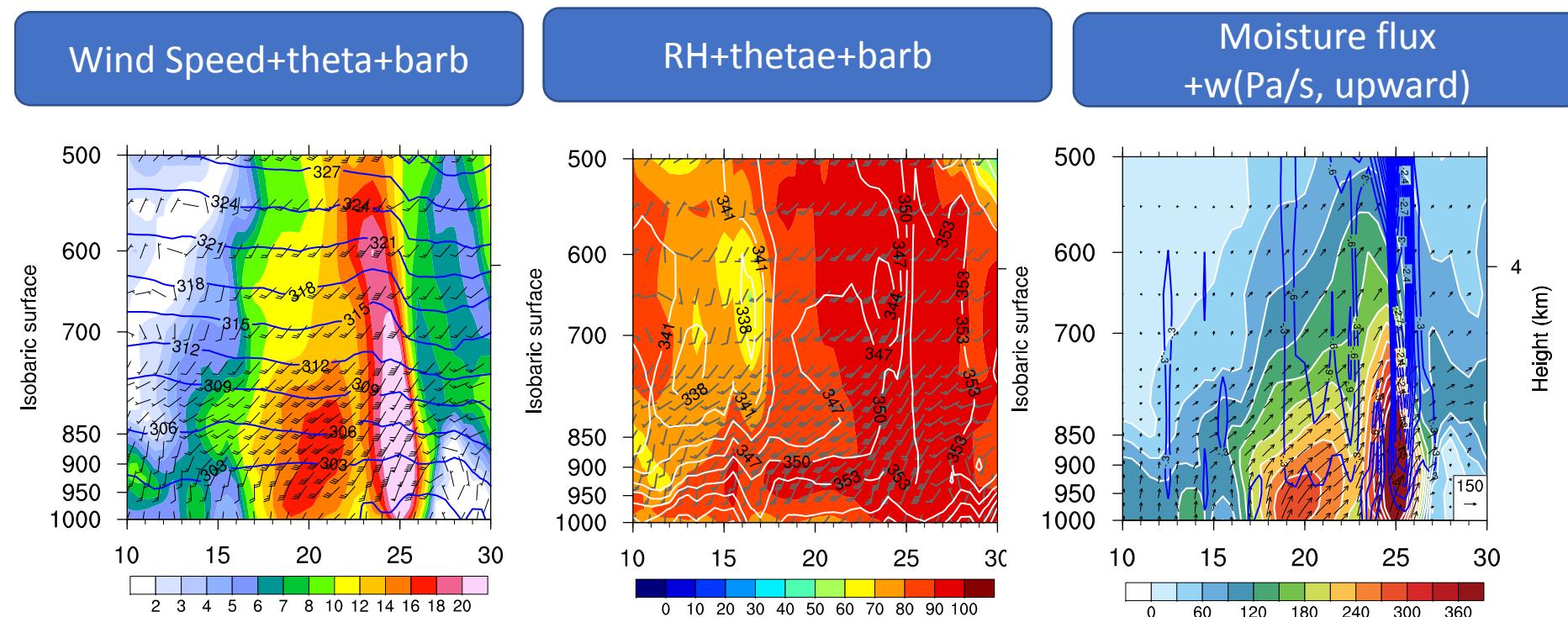
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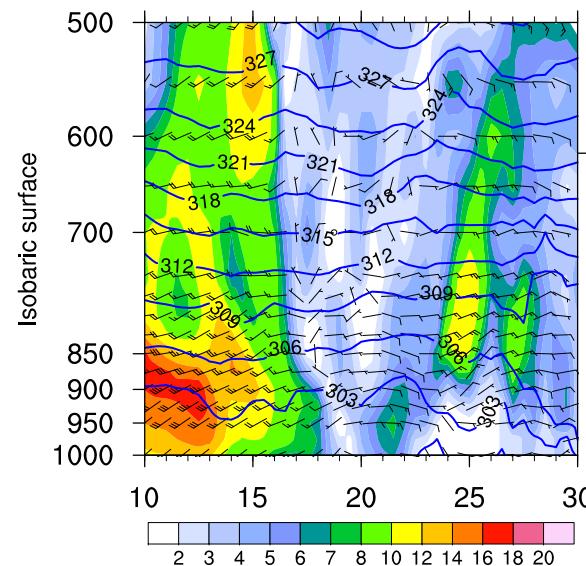
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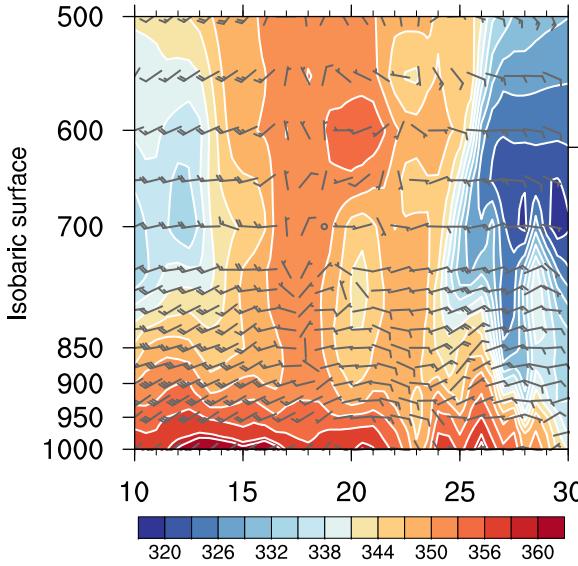
1 barb=5m/s

# Vertical cross section at 114E (Mei-Yu frontal cyclogenesis: initial stage) 6/15 12UTC

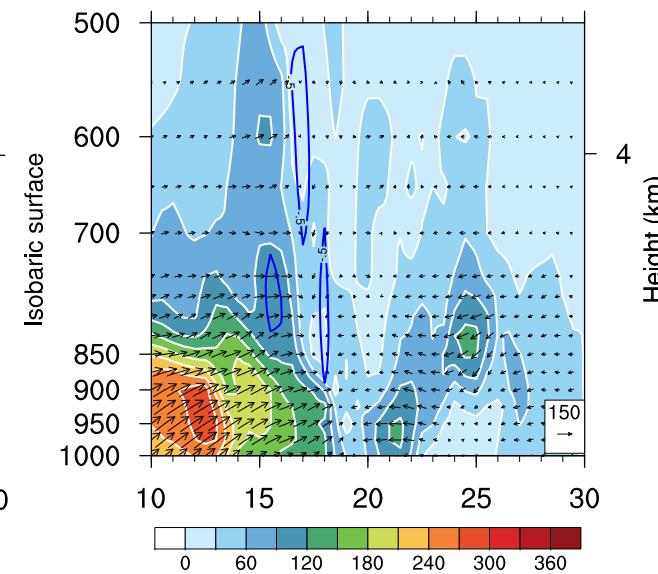
Wind Speed+theta+barb



thetae+barb

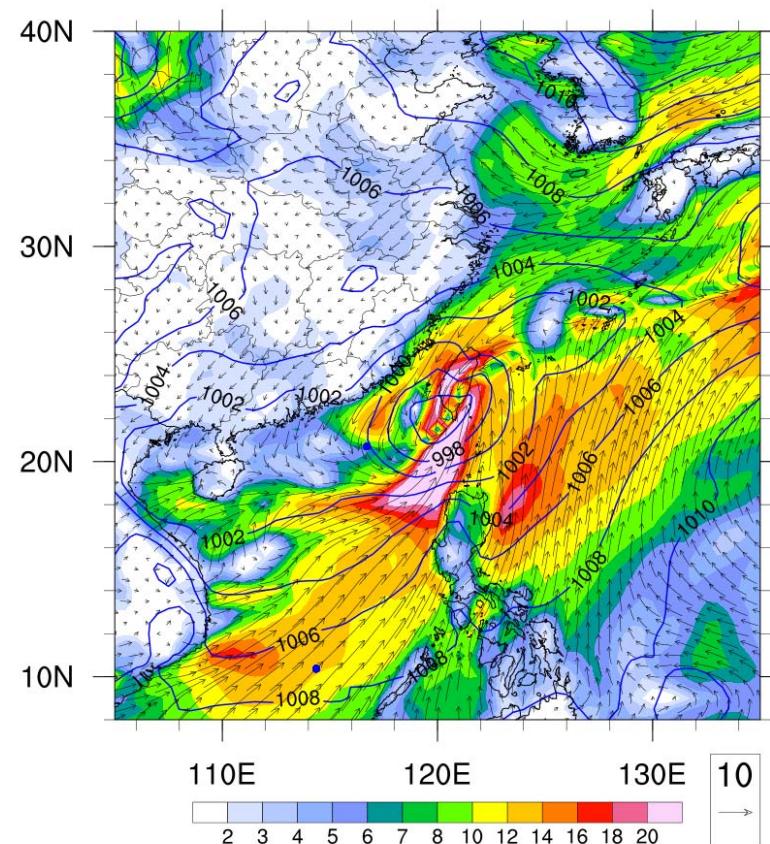


Moisture flux ( $\text{g kg}^{-1} \text{ m s}^{-1}$ )  
+w(Pa/s, upward)

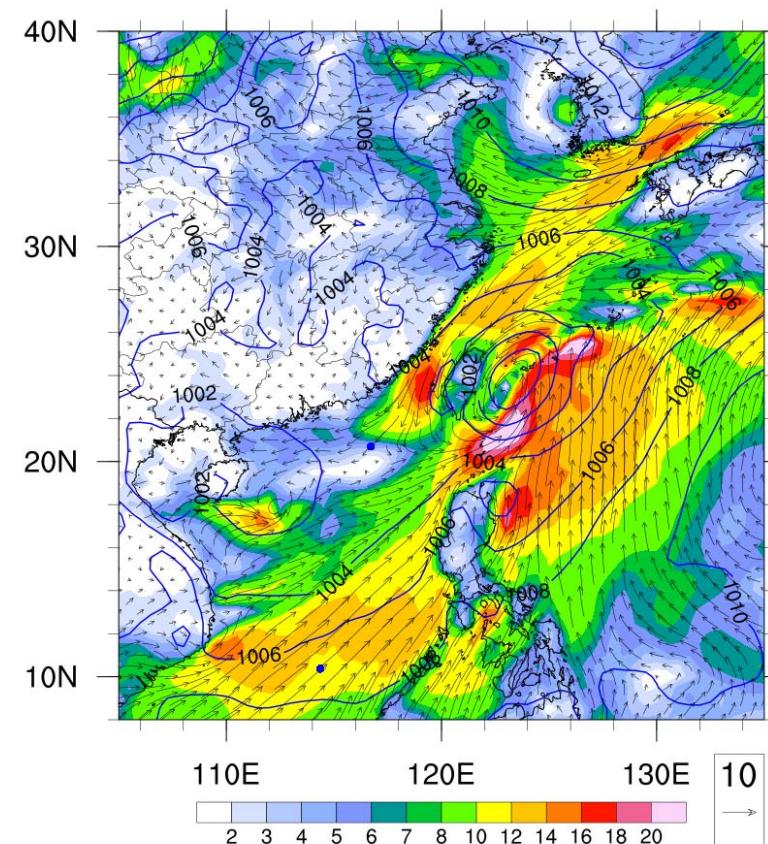


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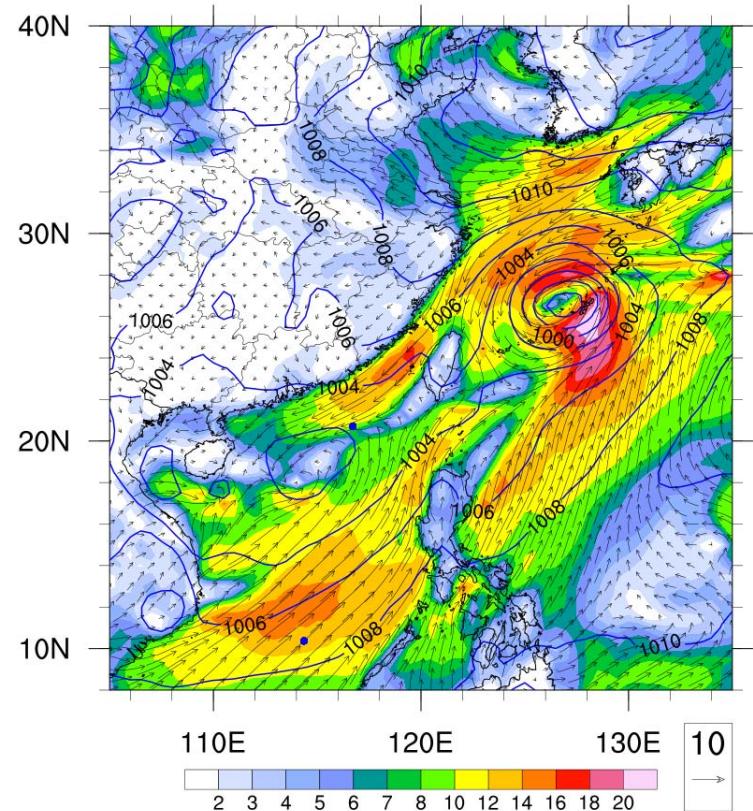


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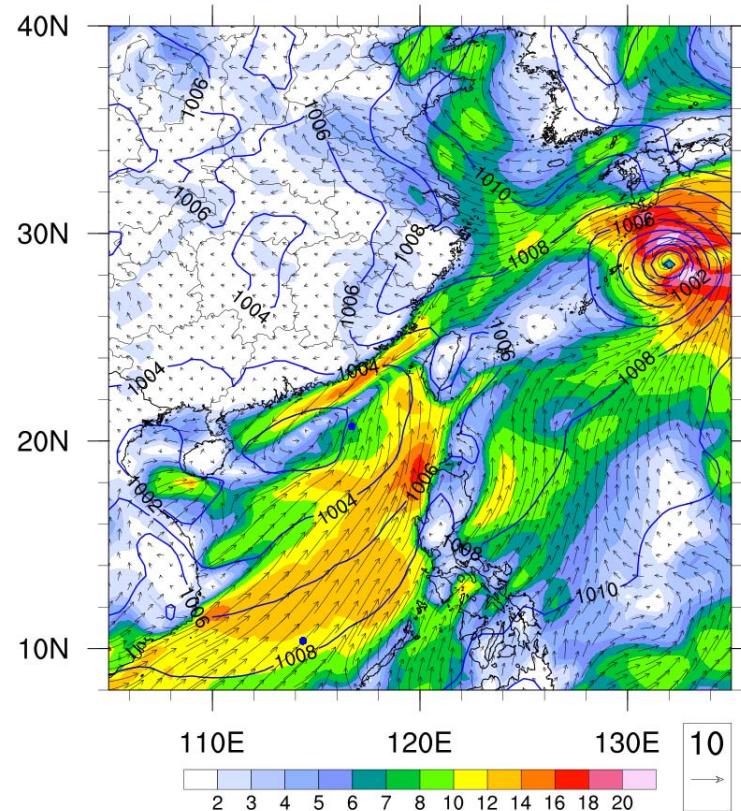


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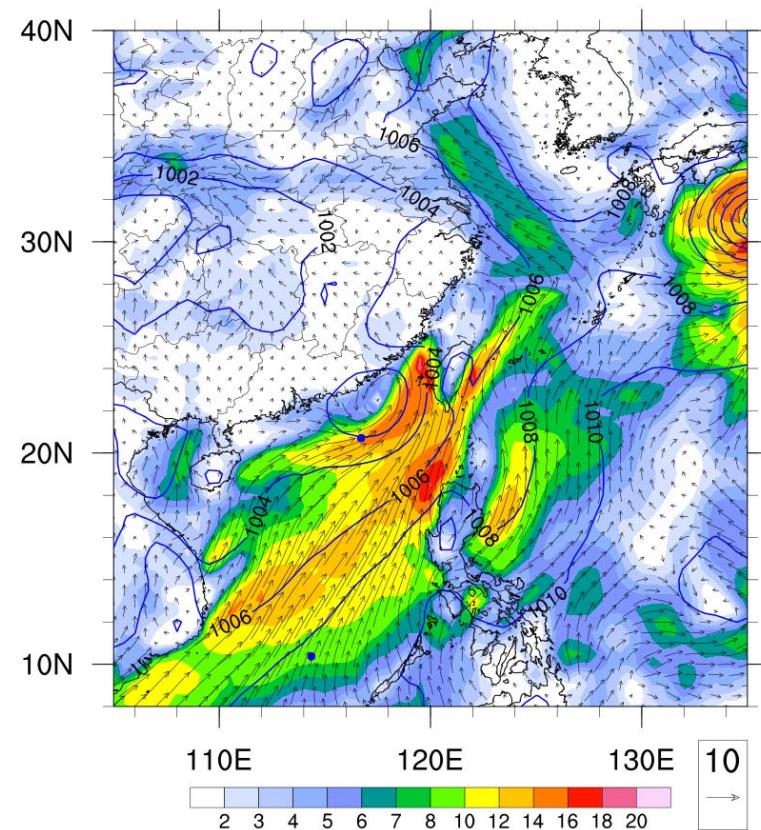


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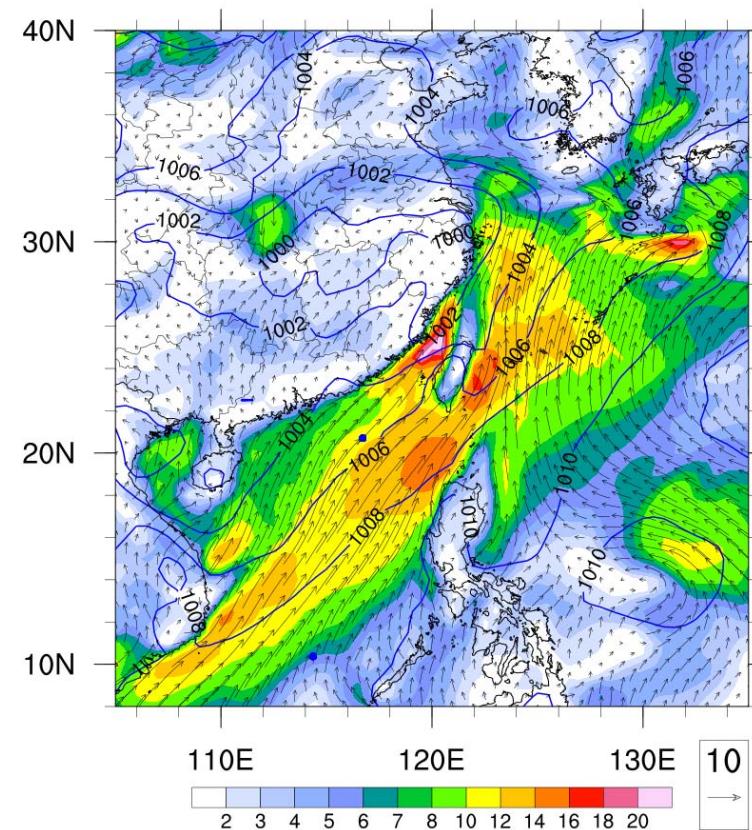


# SLP (hPa) & 1000hPa winds (m/s)

6/18 00UTC



6/19 00UTC



# SLP (hPa) & 1000hPa winds (m/s)

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