

臺灣區域再分析資料混合方案與遞增式分析 更新技術之應用與評估

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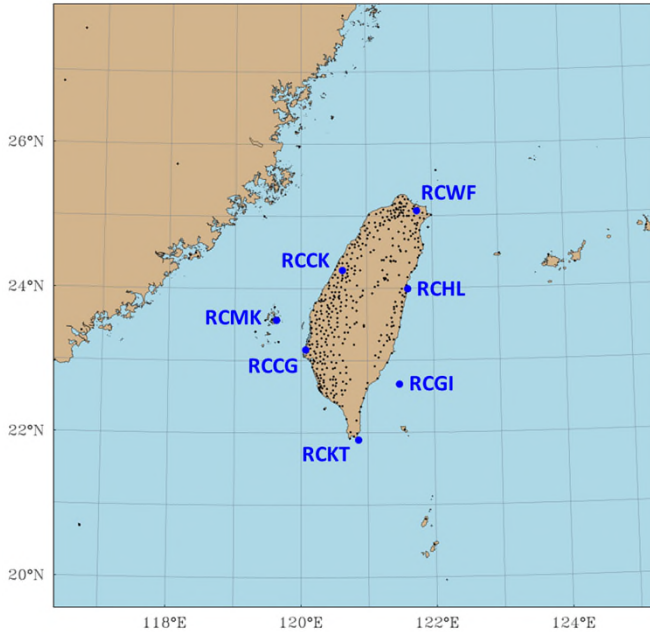
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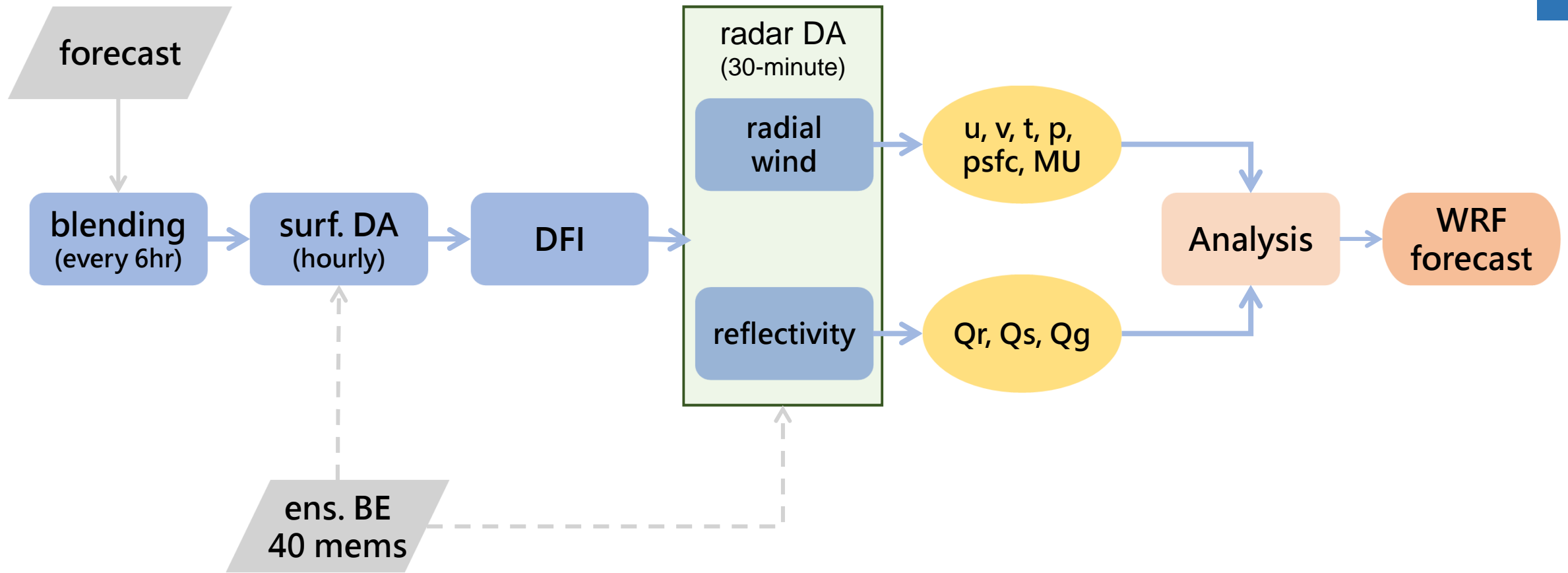
- **Introduction**
 - CWA Operational RWRF
 - Blending scheme, IAU, and IBU
 - CWA RWRF for Reanalysis (candidate version)
- **Evaluations** of IBU, IAU+IBU, with/without DFI
- **Results**

CWA Operational RWRF



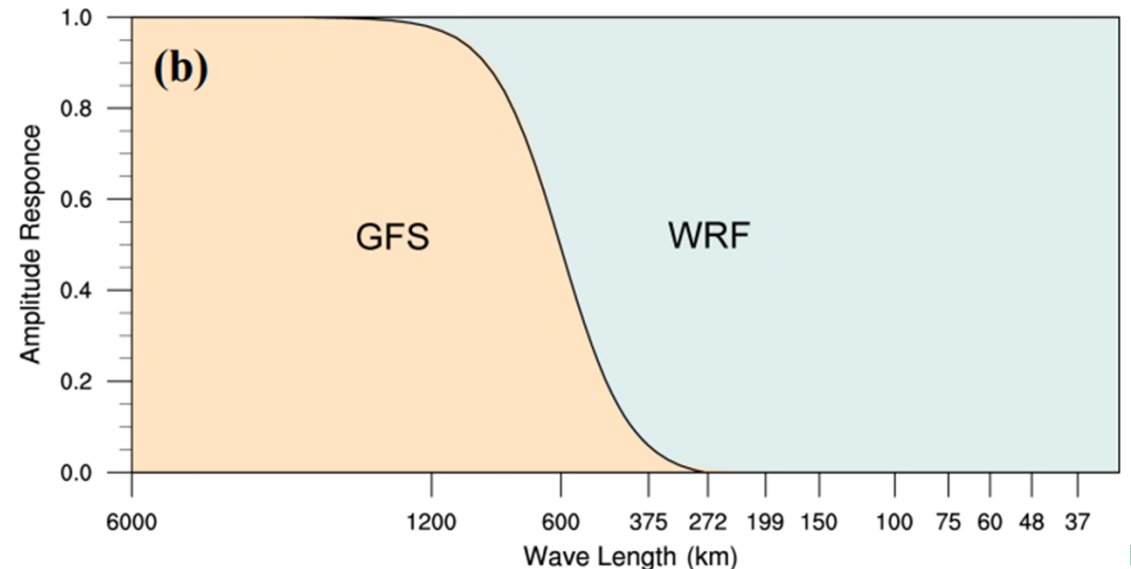
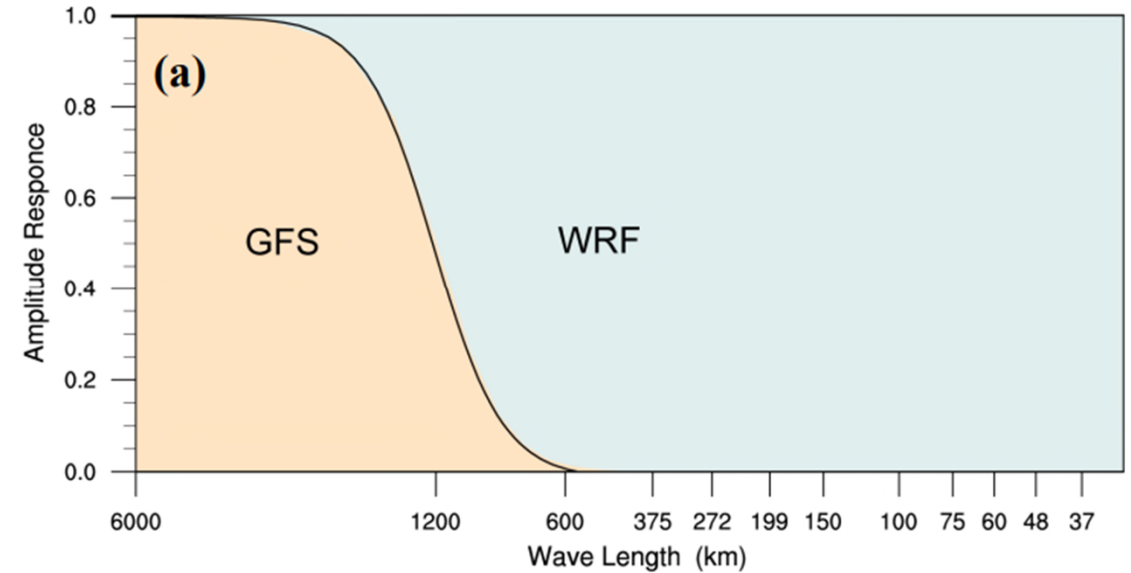
- Based on WRF and WRFDA
- **2-km resolution** for the Taiwan area
- **Hybrid 3DEnVar** coupled with RWRF-LETKF members
 - 30-minute cycle for radar DA
 - Hourly cycle for surface DA
- **6-hourly blending with the GFS downscaling** (Hsiao et al. 2015; Jiang et al. 2021)
- 13-hour forecasts initialized every hour
- **Radar data assimilation:**
 - Reflectivity (through hydrometeor retrievals) and radial velocity
- **Surface data assimilation:**
 - Temperature, humidity, winds (Chen et al. 2020)

CWA Operational RWRF flowchart



Blending Scheme

- **Purpose:**
Reduce large-scale drift in regional model
GFS large scales + WRF small scales
→ better short-range forecasts
- **Method:**
Spatial filter + merge
(Large → Global) + (Small → Regional)
- **Implementation:**
Blend on Background (pre-DA) or Analysis (post-DA)
- **Cut-off Length:**
Large (~1200km): more regional detail
Small (~600km): Stronger global influence
- **Limitation:**
May cause temporal discontinuity



Incremental Analysis Update (IAU)

- **Purpose:**

Gradually apply increments

→ reduce imbalance, initialization shock, and spurious gravity waves

→ Improve forecast stability & skill

- **Implementation:**

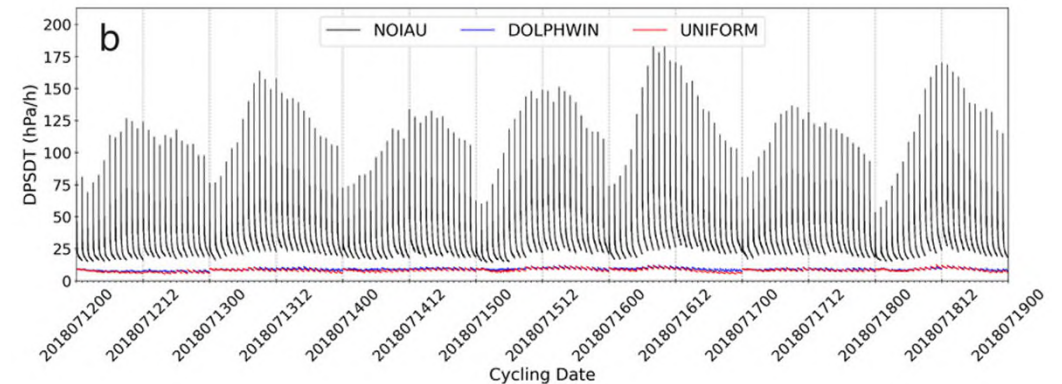
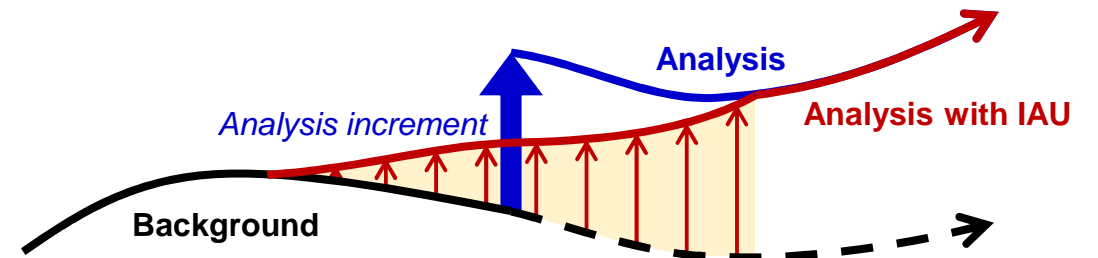
Add (Injected) analysis tendencies as forcing during the assimilation window

Forcing = (Analysis – Background)

- **Without / With IAU:**

Without IAU → surface pressure shows strong oscillations (initialization shock)

With IAU → smoother evolution, reduced noise



Chen et al. (2023)

Incremental Blending Update (IBU)

- **Concept:**

Fix temporal discontinuity problem by introducing **IBU**

- **Method:**

Global: NCEP GFS analysis @ 00, 06, 12, 18
Regional: RWRF 3-h forecast valid at same times

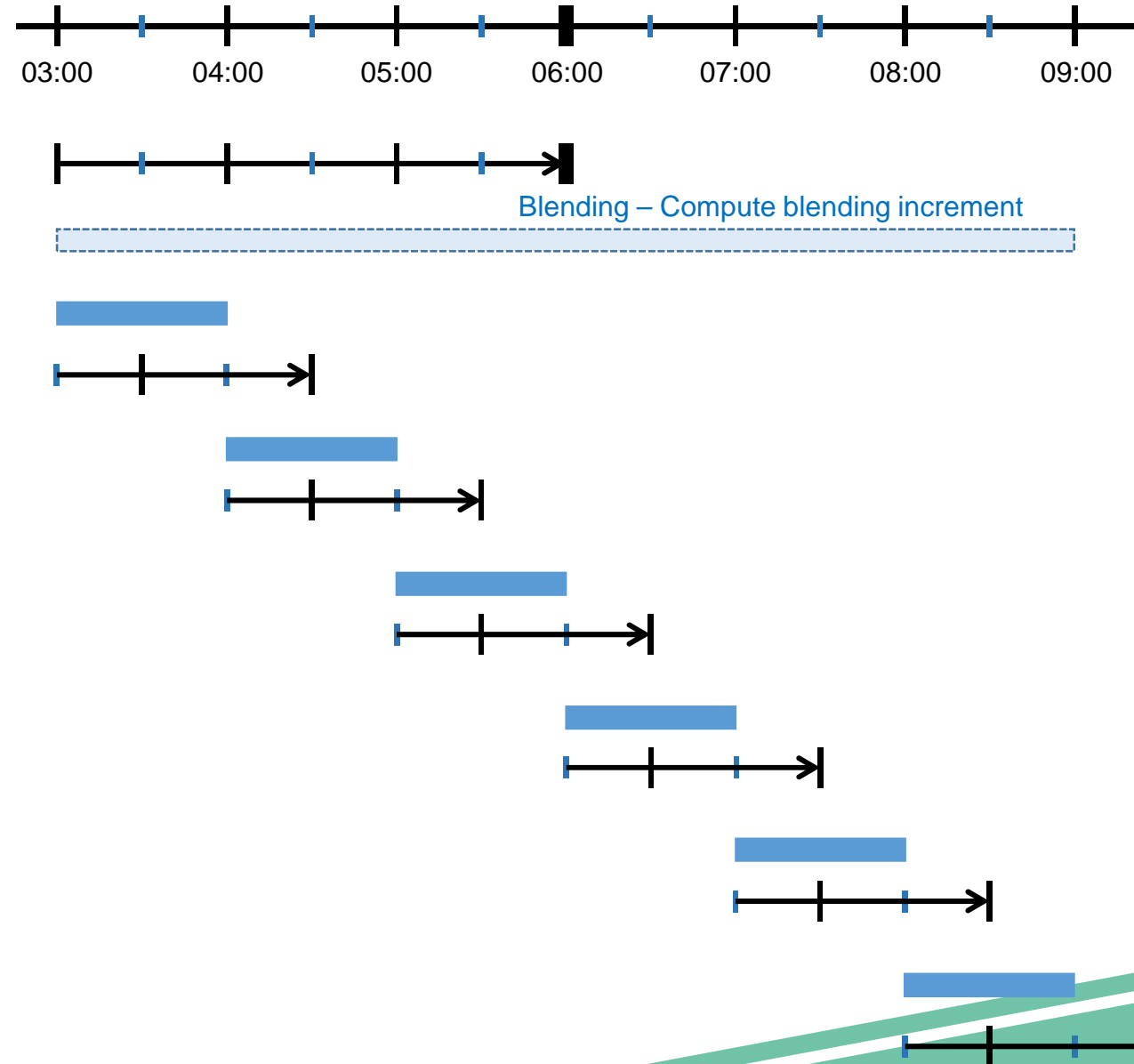
Blending Increment = After – Before

- **Implementation:**

Increment distributed over 6-h window
Applied gradually during forecast [0, +60 min] each cycle

- **Purpose:**

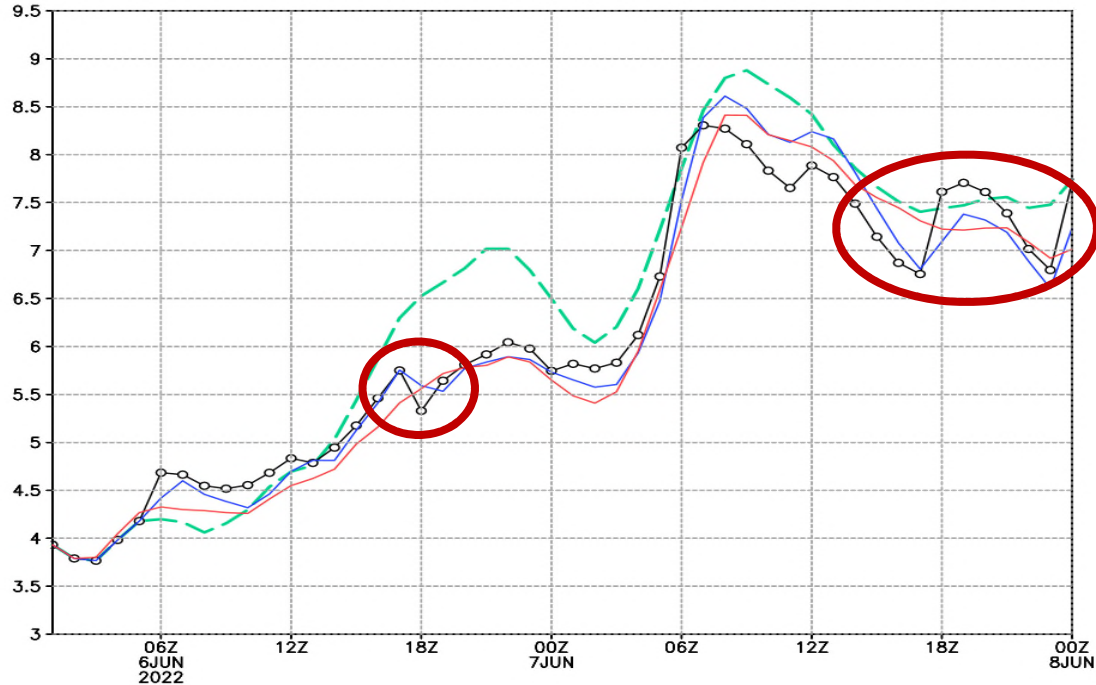
Leverage blending benefits while avoiding temporal discontinuity



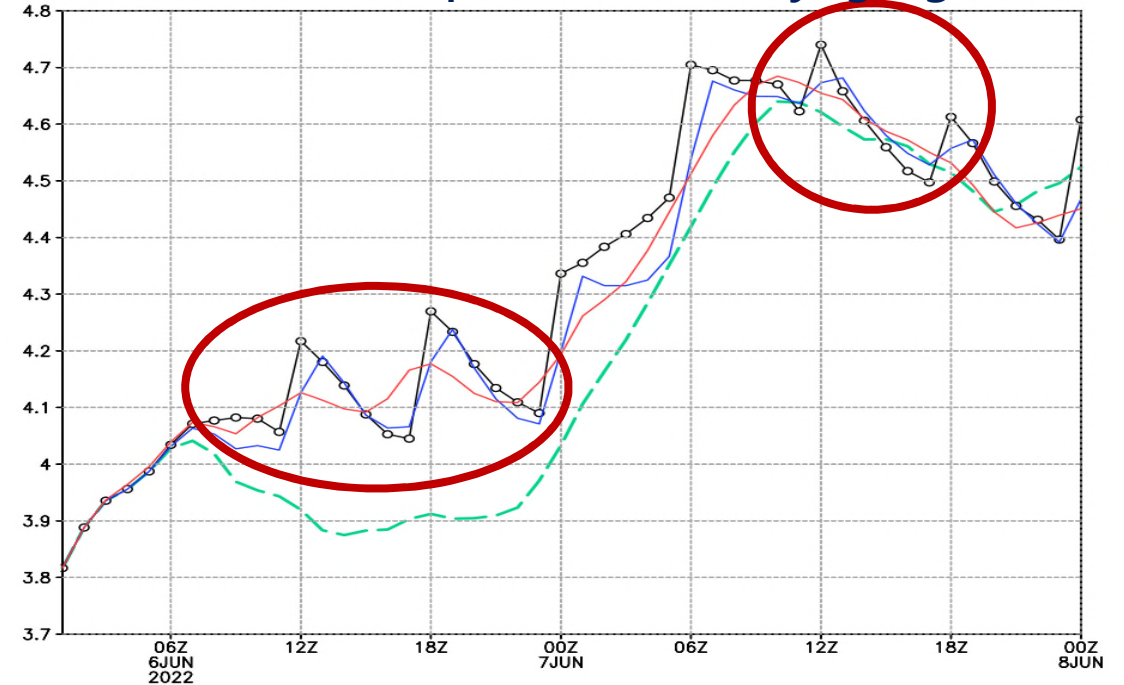
No-DA Experiments: Effects of Different Blending Approaches

Area-averaged variables in hourly analysis

300-hPa U-wind (m/s)



500-hPa specific humidity (g/kg)



- **No Blending:** Shows biases, blending remains necessary for regional model
- **Traditional Blending:** Causes temporal discontinuities
- **IBU:** Reduces discontinuities, with larger windows giving better results

No blending

Every-6-h

traditional blending

(same as current RWRF OP)

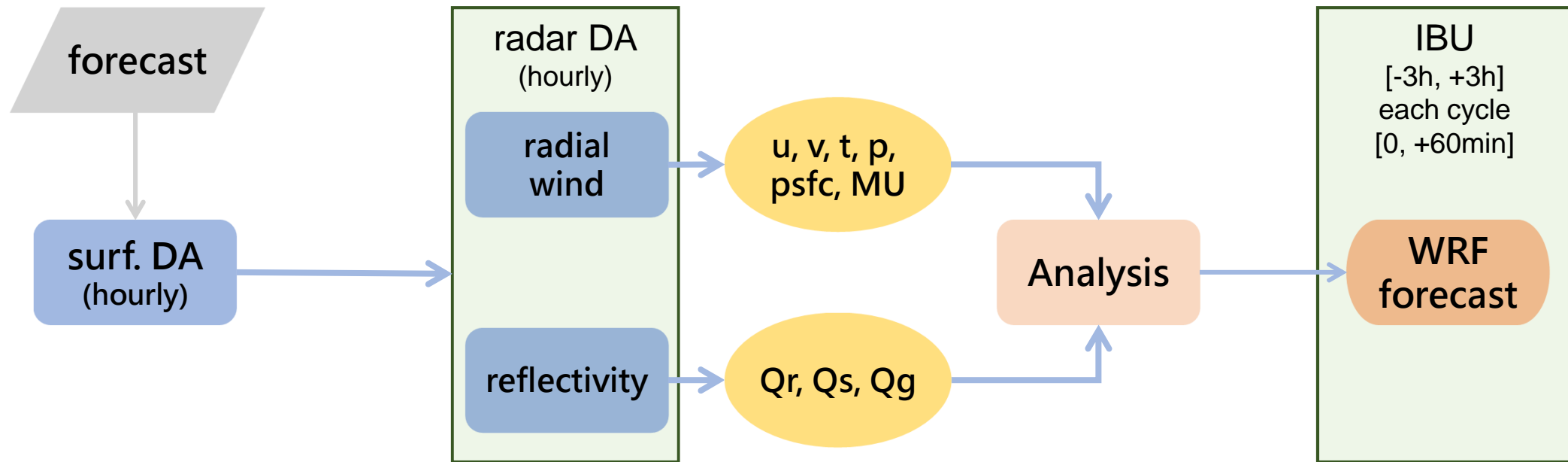
Every-6-h IBU

with 1-h [-0.5h, +0.5h] window

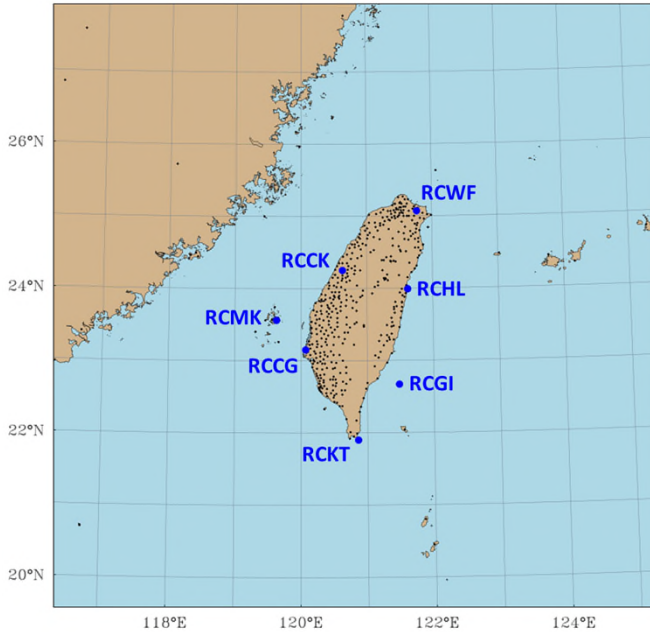
Every-6-h IBU

with 6-h [-3h, +3h] window

CWA Reanalysis RWRF flowchart (candidate version)



CWA RWRF for Reanalysis (candidate version)



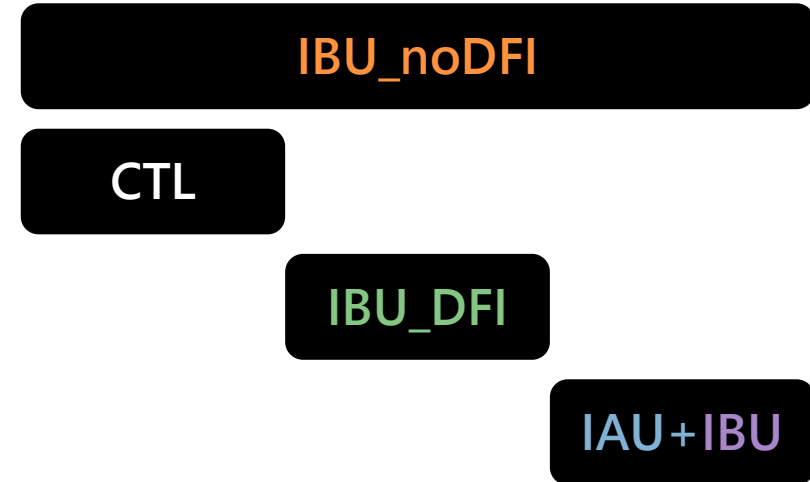
- 2-km resolution for the Taiwan area
- **3DVar** data assimilation
 - Hourly cycle for surface and Radar DA
- **6-hourly Incremental Blending Update (IBU)**
 - Increment distributed over 6-h window
 - Applied gradually during forecast [0, +60 min] each cycle
- **WRF/OP51** and **WRFDA/improved observation operators (sfcopt 2)** (will be applied to operational RWRF next year)
- **Radar data assimilation:**
 - Reflectivity (through hydrometeor retrievals) and radial velocity
- **Surface data assimilation:**
 - Temperature, humidity, winds

- **Experiment Periods:**

- 2023/06/01 03 – 06/07 23 UTC
 - Afternoon convection
- 2025/07/03 03 – 07/10 23 UTC
 - Typhoon Danas

| | CTL | IBU (noDFI) | IBU (DFI) | IAU+IBU (noDFI) | IAU+IBU (DFI) |
|----------|----------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|
| DFI | O | X | O | X | O |
| IAU | X | X | X | O | O |
| Blending | Original | IBU | IBU | IBU | IBU |

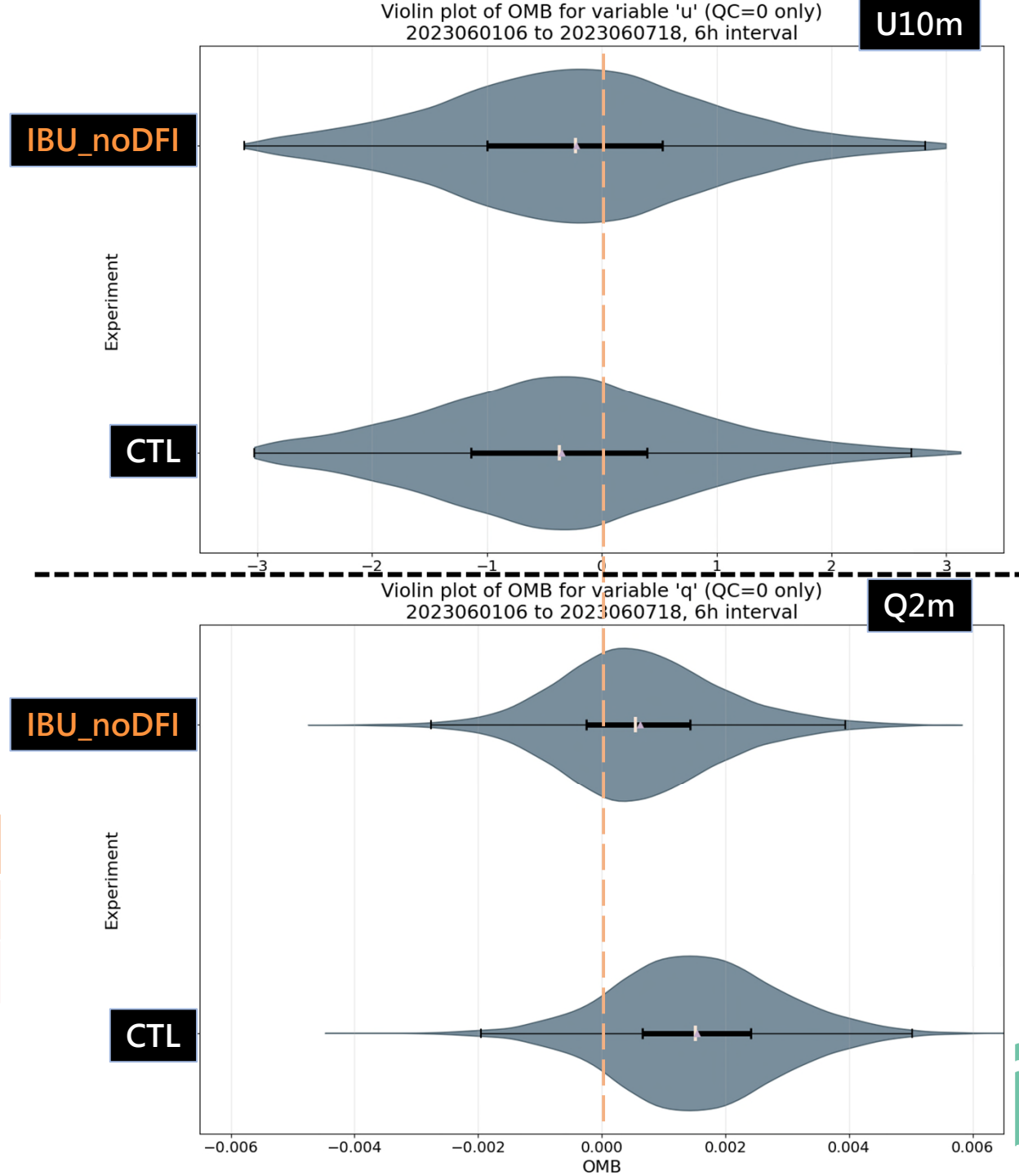
- CTL: Closest to OP (with DFI, original blending)
- CTL vs. IBU: evaluate benefit of IBU
- IBU w/o DFI: examine the role of DFI
- IAU + IBU: evaluate the impact of IAU



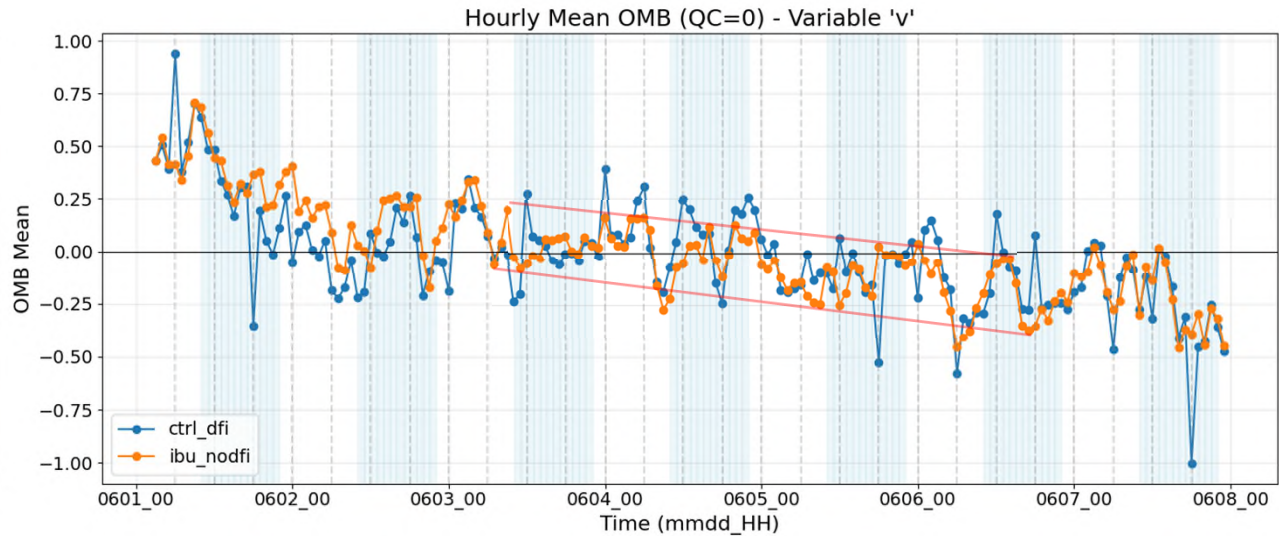
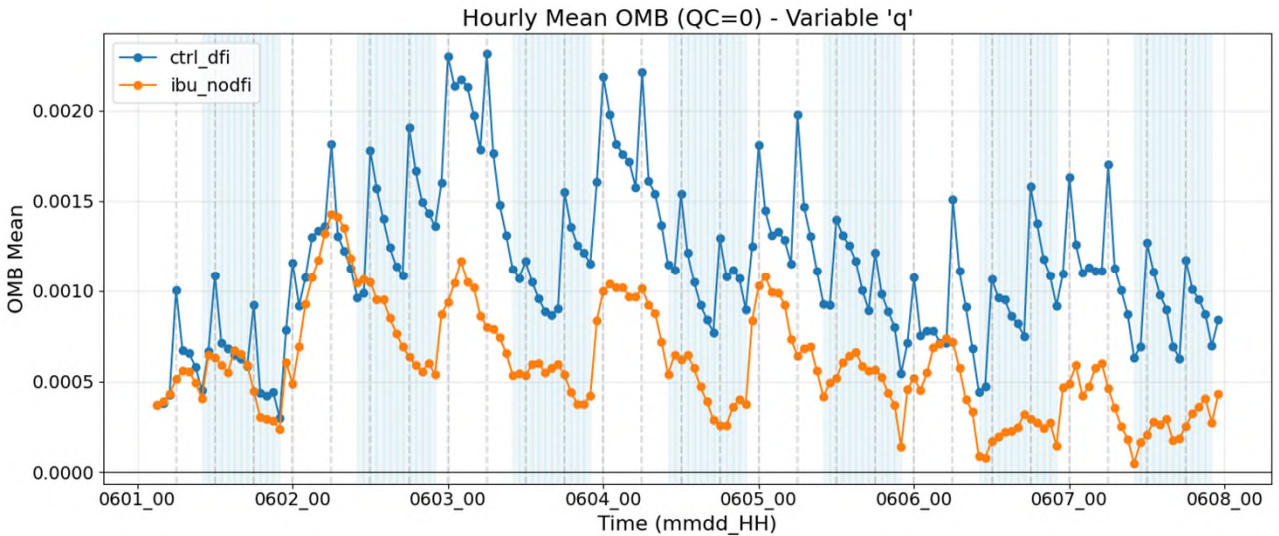
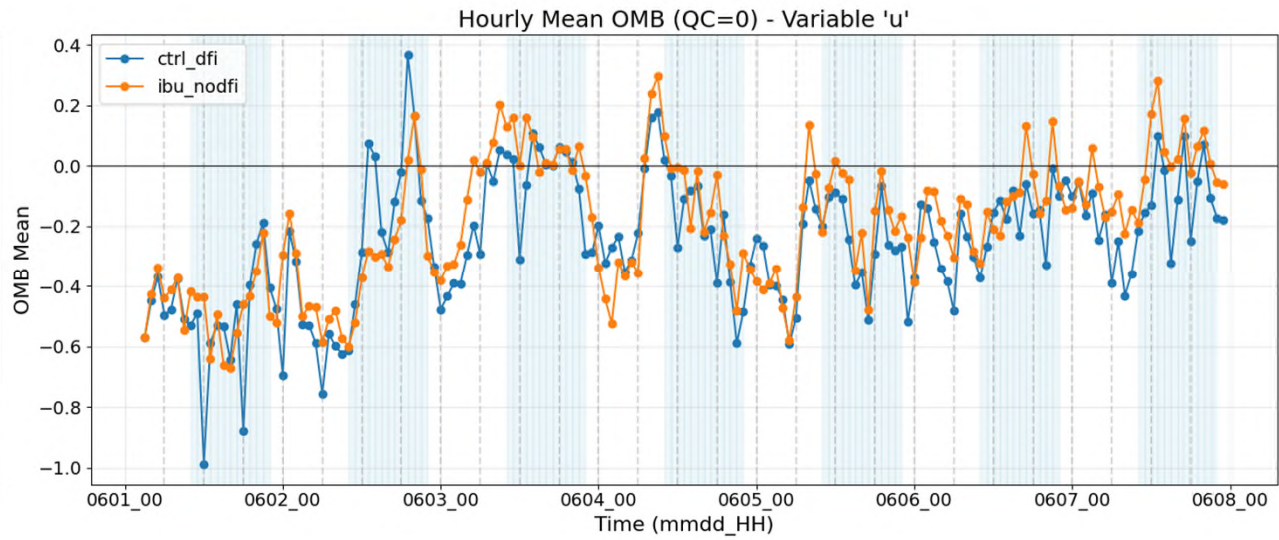
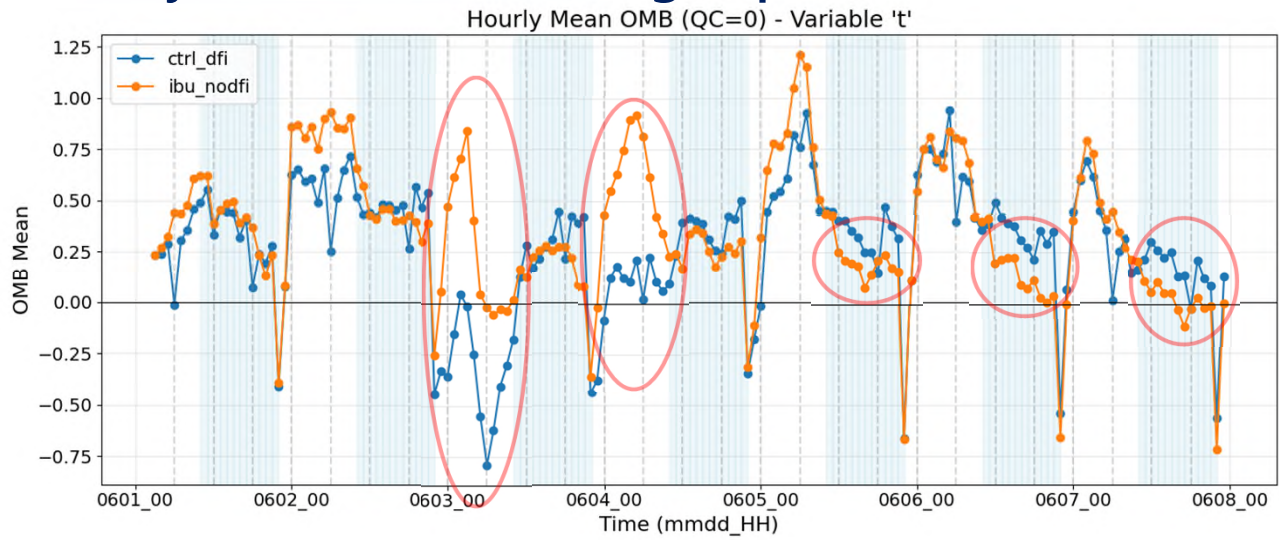
- **OMB statistics:**
- IBU has little impact on observation assimilation rate
- At 00 06 12 18Z, IBU significantly improves Q2m and slightly improves U10m
- IBU shows no significant impact on T2m and V10m

assimilation rate (pass gross check)
 from 2023060103 to 2023060723 in 1h, all obs: 104233

| 1hr | T2m | Q2m | U10m | V10m |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CTL | 98.66% | 91.85% | 80.14% | 79.99% |
| IBU_noDFI | 98.54% | 92.23% | 80.09% | 79.80% |



Hourly Mean OMB during Experiment Periods

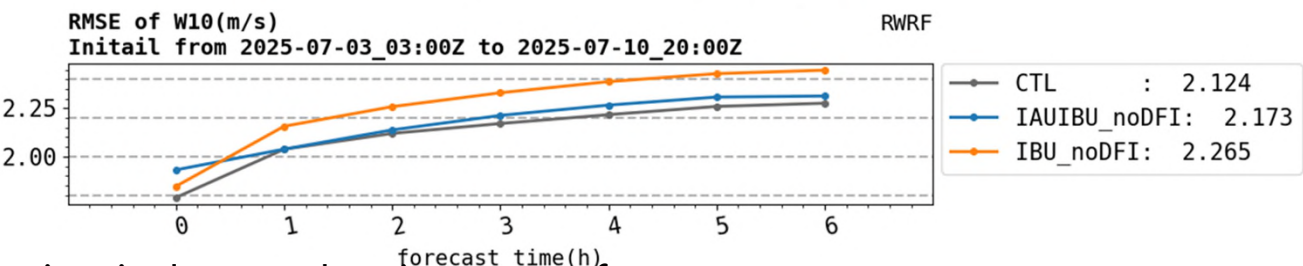
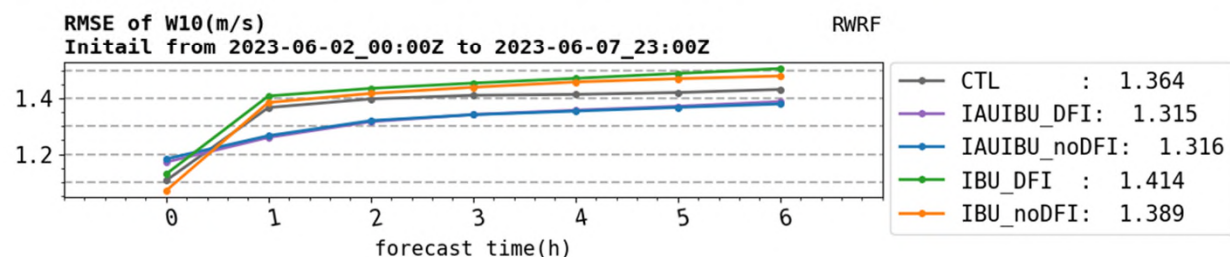
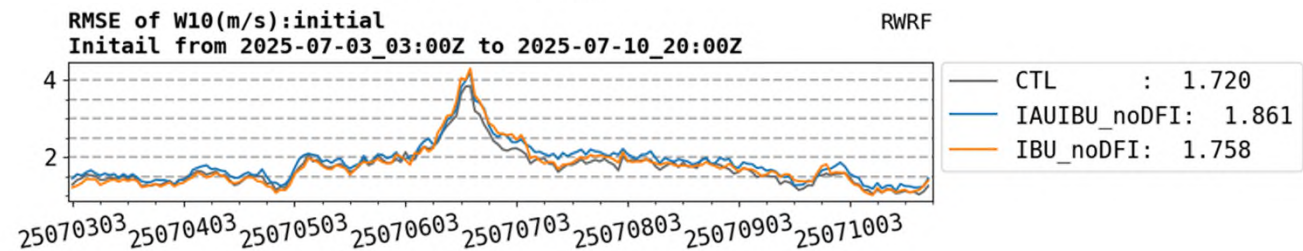
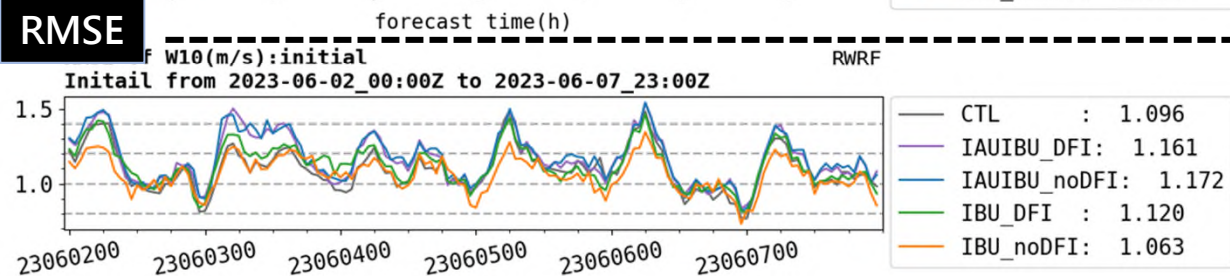
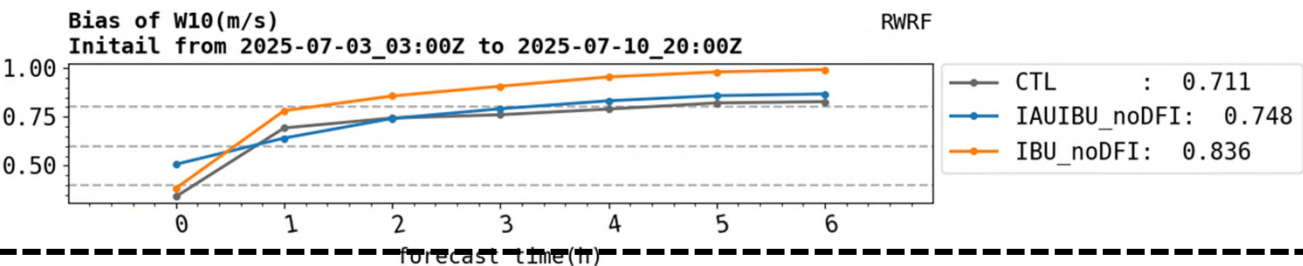
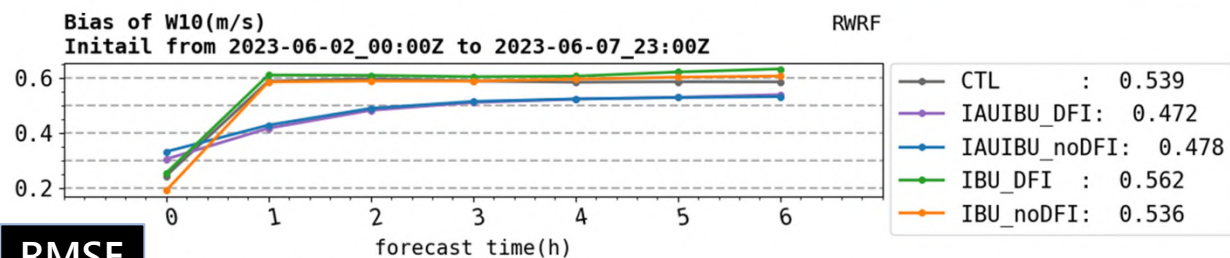
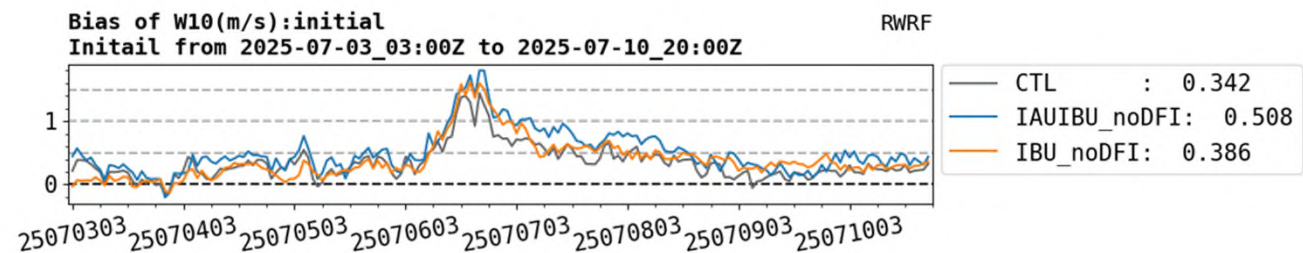
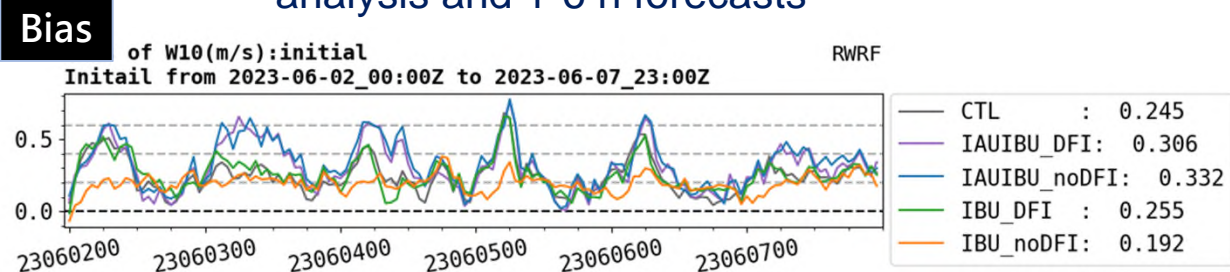


- **UV10m:** OMB fluctuations are reduced; U10m is generally closer to zero
- **T2m:** IBU shows some positive OMB bias during daytime, but reduces nighttime positive OMB bias
- **Q2m:** Overall improved, correcting the dry bias in CTL and clearly removing 6-hour discontinuities

10-m Wind Speed Verification (Surface Obs.)

2023 06/02-07 Afternoon convection analysis and 1-6 h forecasts

2025 07/03-10 Typhoon Danas analysis and 1-6 h forecasts

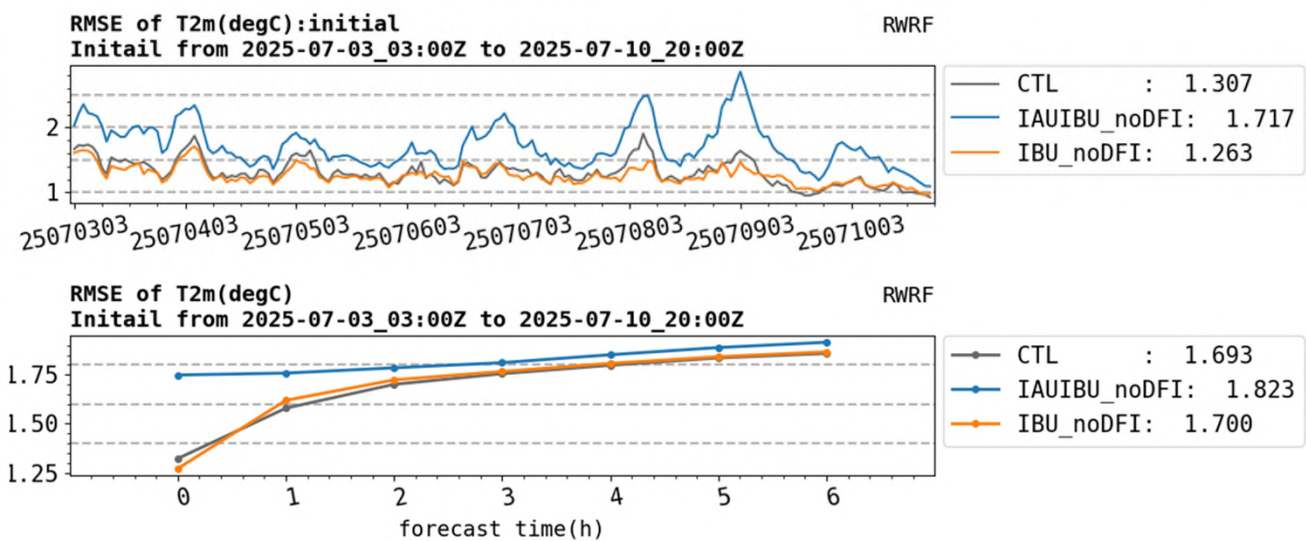
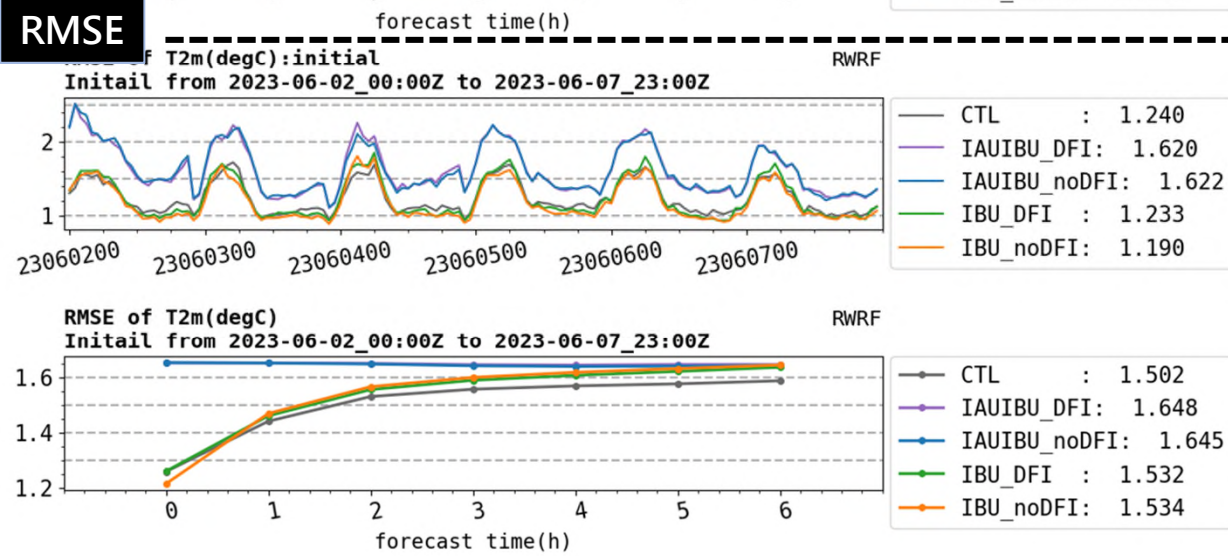
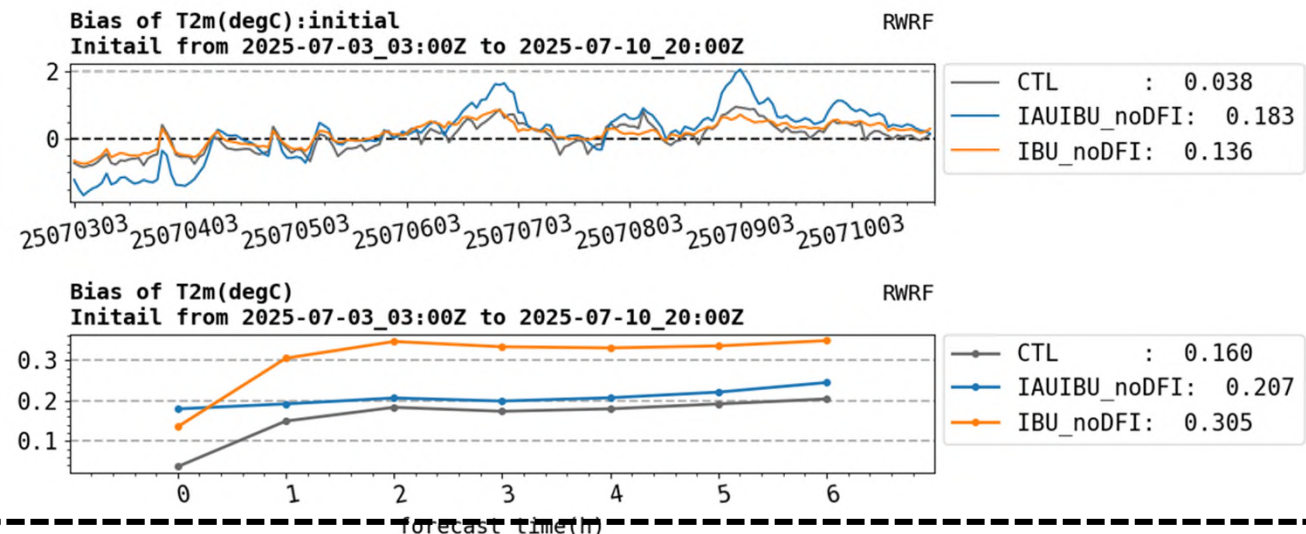
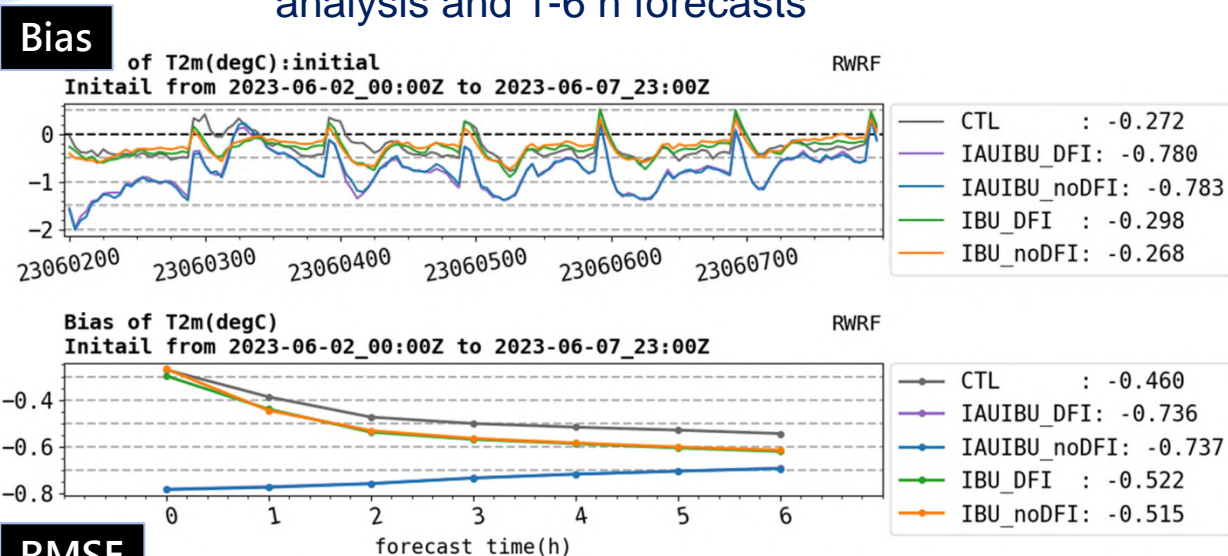


- IBU experiment reduces analysis wind errors but increases forecast errors
- For reanalysis applications, this trade-off is acceptable

2-m Temperature Verification (Surface Obs.)

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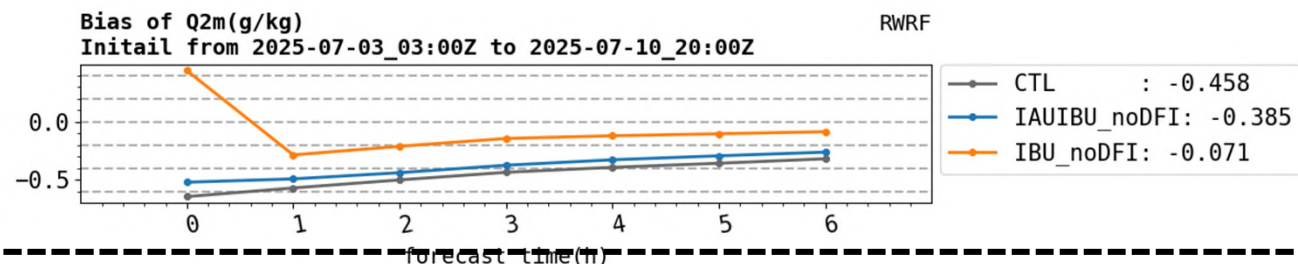
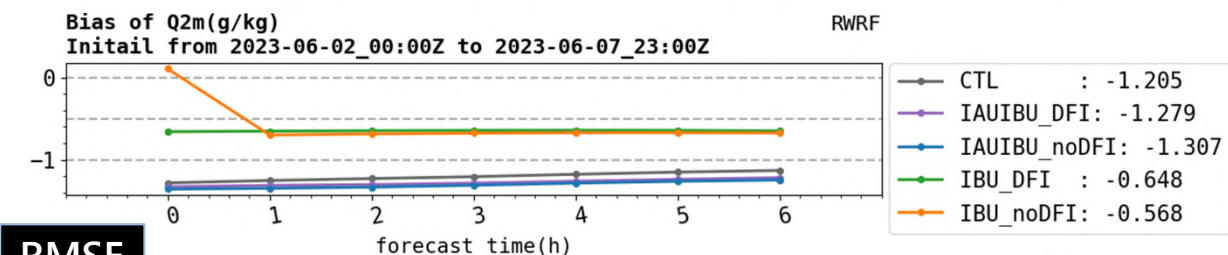
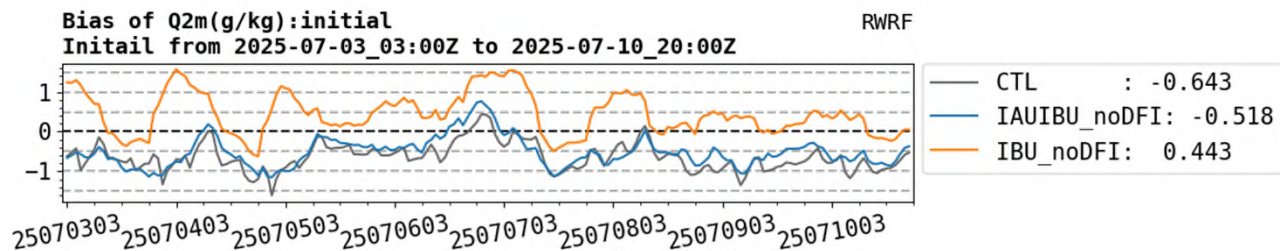
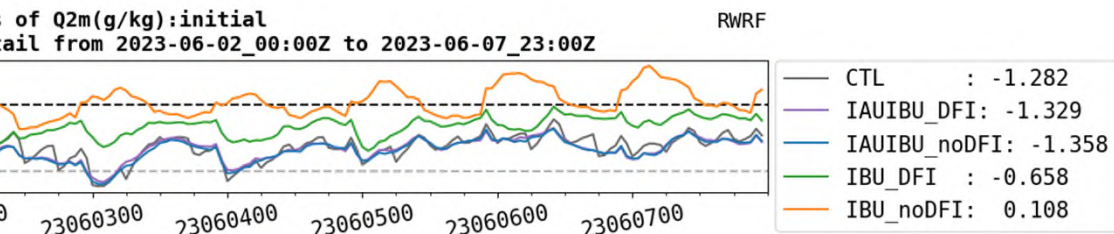
- IAUIBU experiment performs worse
- IBU experiment remains the better option for reanalysis

2-m Vapor Verification (Surface Obs.)

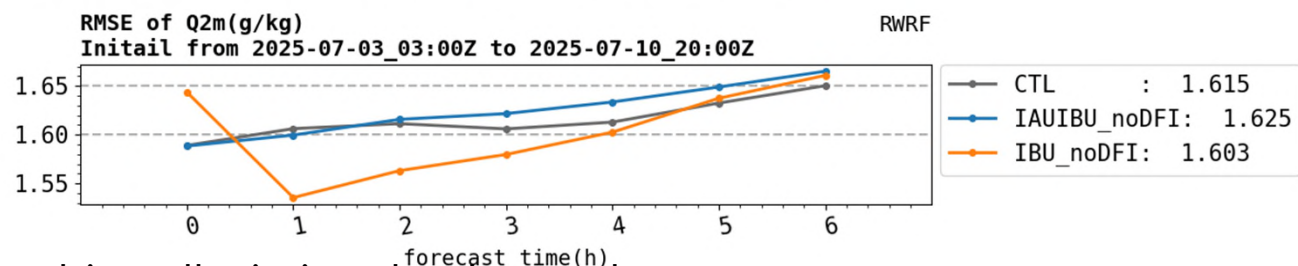
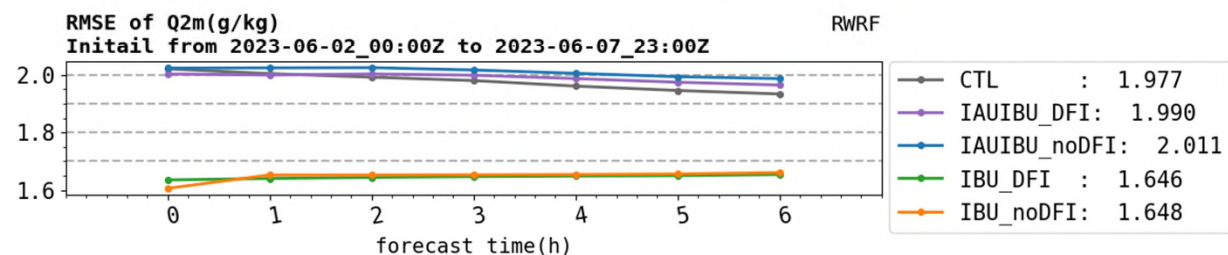
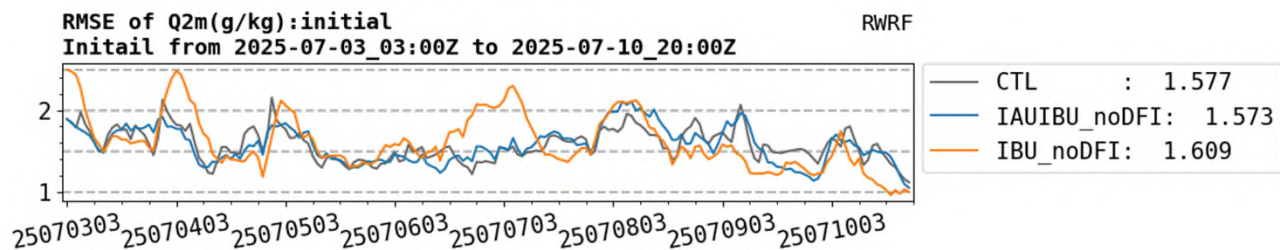
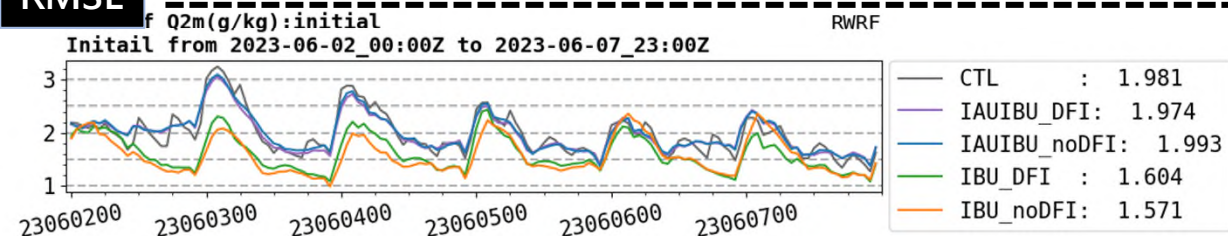
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Bias



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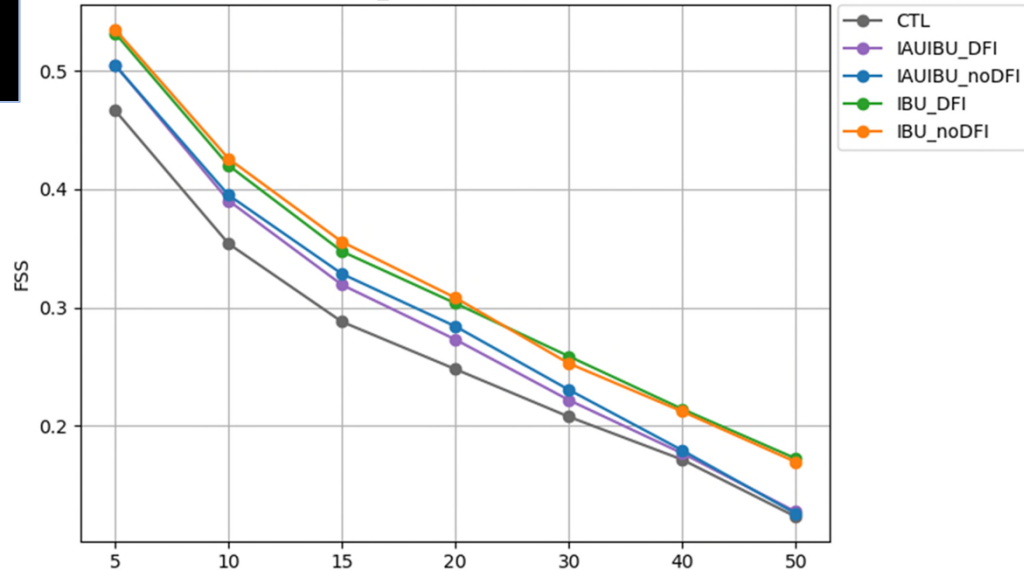


- IBU experiment shows smaller mean bias, alleviating the dry tendency
- DFI makes IBU experiment drier, but has little impact on IAUIBU experiment

QPF FSS Verification (8-km radius)

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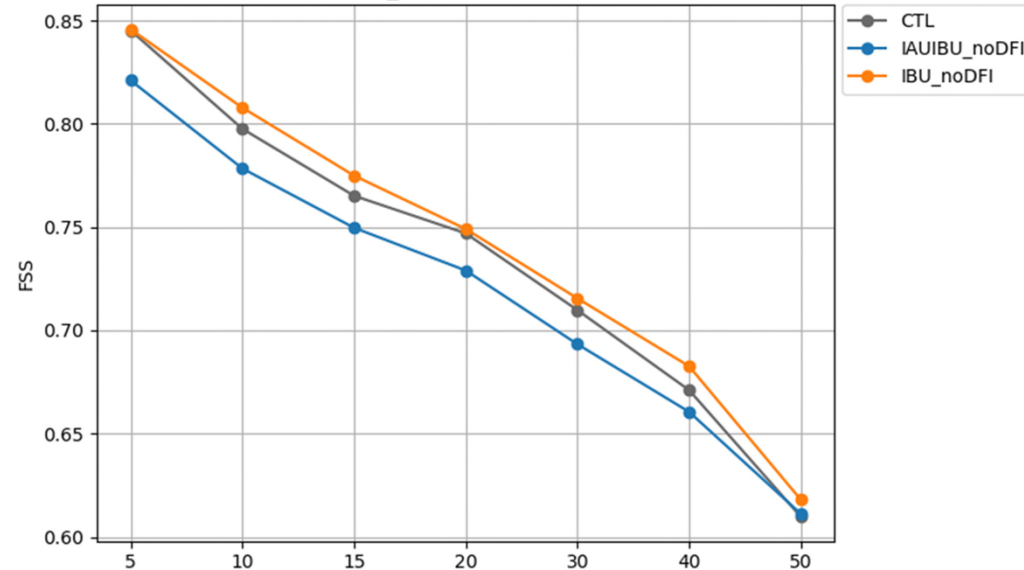
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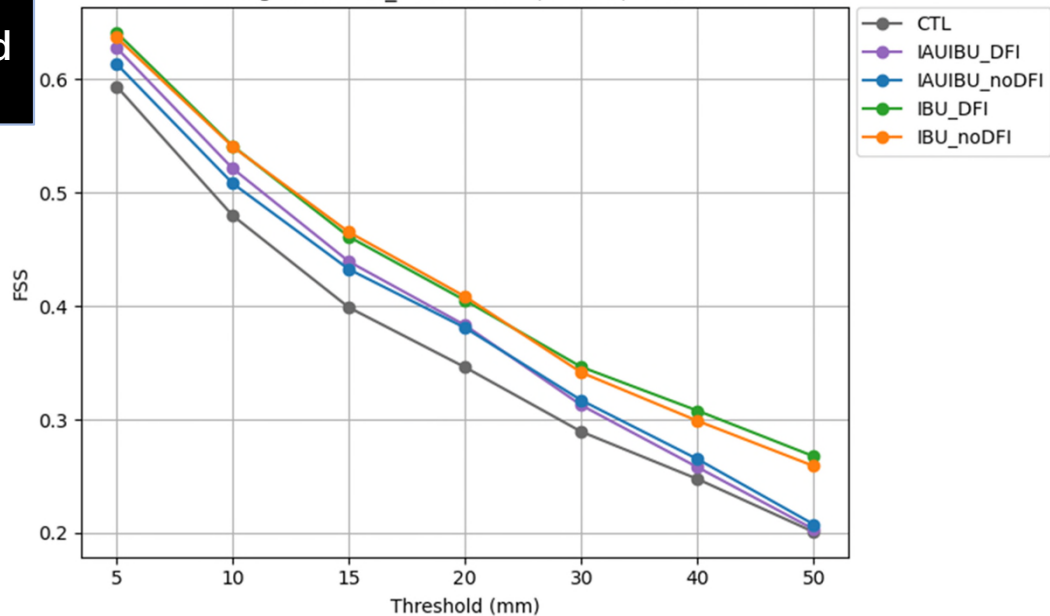
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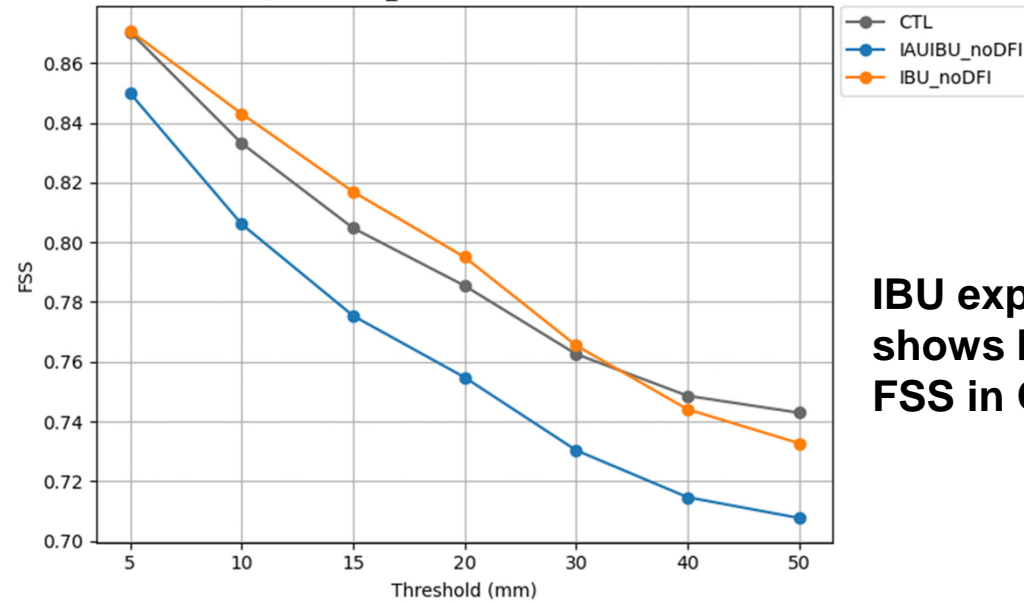


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**IBU experiment
shows better
FSS in QPF**

Conclusions



- A system for Taiwan regional reanalysis is being developed, built largely upon the operational RWRf system, but with some differences in its assimilation workflow:
 - “Incremental Blending Update” (**IBU**) is implemented and used.
 - Digital filter initialization (DFI) is not used.
- Studies on the impacts of IBU and IAU:
 - IBU maintains large-scale benefits as traditional 6-hour blending, while reducing temporal discontinuities from the blending.
 - IBU improves analysis quality of Q2m and Wspd10m and 0-6h QPF (FSS), with a minor trade-off of slightly worse short-range forecast of some variables.
 - Combining IAU with IBU shows no clear advantage.
- **IBU** is recommended for reanalysis.
- Further testing and optimization will be conducted to finalize the reanalysis system.