Center Report from KMA Forecasting System Operation & Research

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Outlines



- KMA's Operational NWP System Overview
 - Hardware and NWP Systems
- Major R&D Activities in 2014 and Performance
 - Operational NWP System upgrade
 - Verification Scores
 - KIAPS Development
- Further Development / Research Plans



Operational NWP Systems Hardware(HPC) and Software



Current Operational HPC (Cray XE6)



Main System (20 Cabinets, 379TFlop/s)



Backup / R&D System (20 Cabinets, 379Tflop/s)



Ref	Main (HaeOn)	Backup (HaeDam)	Total
Installation Year	2010. 12		
Core Number	45,120	45,120	90,240
Core Type	AMD 2.1 GHz, 12 core		
Peak performance	379 TF	379 TF	758TF
Main Memory	60 TB	60 TB	120TB
Capacity of Disk	4 PB		
Capacity of Tape drive	8 PB		
OS	Suse Linux 11		



New HPC Introduction

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Contract: June 2014

❖ Installation of Initial Stage System : November 2014

❖ Installation of Final Stage System : Q4 2015

System architecture	Peak Perf. (TF)	Processor type & Memory	# Nodes	Login nodes	I/O System
CRAY XC40-LC (3 cabinets)	447	Intel haswell 2.6GHz 24cores/node 128GB/node	computational (448nodes) Pre-post (12nodes)	4 set	3.3PB > 50GB/sec
CRAY XC40-LC (16 cabinets*2set)	5,800	Intel haswell 2.6GHz 24cores/node 128GB/node(comp) 258GB/node(pre-post)	computational (2,904nodes*2set) Pre-post (56nodes*2set)	8 set	> 13.5PB > 248GB/sec



The initial stage system (Uri) was ranked #148 on Top 500 list (Nov.2014)



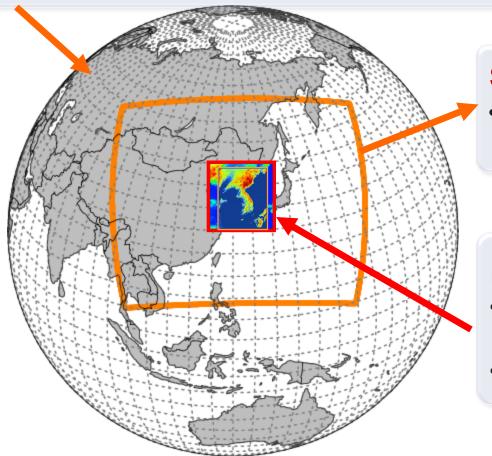
Operational NWP Systems



Global Medium-range Prediction

• Deterministic: UM 25km L70 / T+288hrs (00/12UTC), T+87hrs (06/18UTC) / Hybrid Ensemble 4DVAR

• Ensemble : UM 40km L70 / T+288hrs (00/12UTC) / 24 Members / Perturb. : ETKF, RP, SKEB2



Short-range Prediction (E-Asia)

UM 12km L70 / T+87hrs (6 hourly) /
 4DVAR / Deterministic

(Very) Short-range Prediction (Local)

- Deterministic: UM 1.5km L70 / T+36hrs
 (6 hourly) / 3DVAR (3 hourly)
- Ensemble: In preparation (Q3 2015)



Operational NWP Models (March '15)



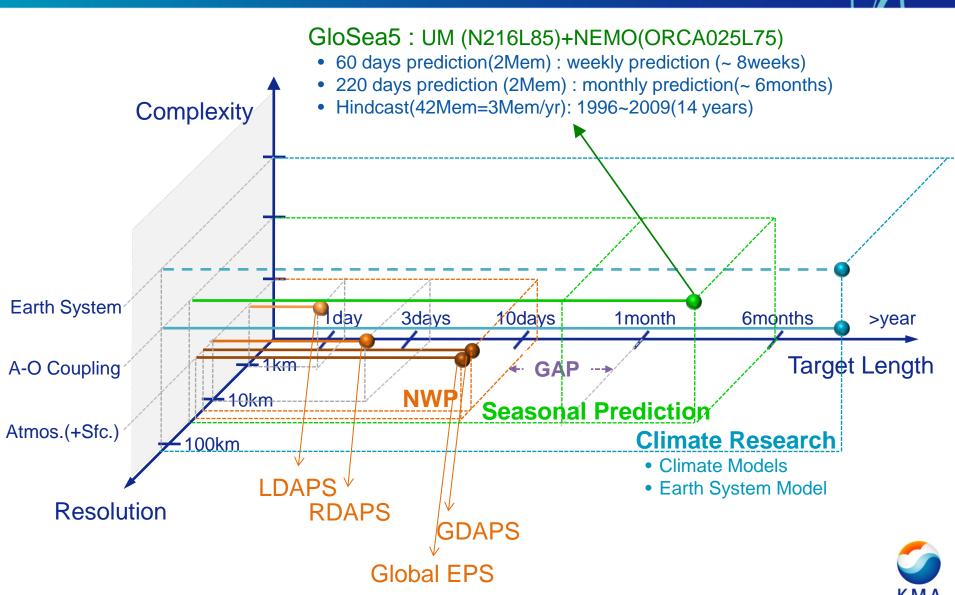
Medium -range

(Very) Shortrange

Applica -tion Models

Model	Resolution	Target Length	Target / Purpose	
GloSea5(Global)	N215(60km) L85	220 days(M2) 60 days(M2)	Seasonal prediction (~6months)	
GDAPS (Global)	N512(25km) L70	T+288 (00/12) T+87 (06/18)	Global deterministic	
Global EPS (Global)	N320 L70 M24	T+288	Global probabilistic	
RDAPS (E.Asia)	12km L70	T+87	East Asia / Short-range	
LDAPS (Korea)	1.5km L70	T+36	Korea / Short-range	
KLAPS (Korea)	5km	T+12	Korea / Very short-range	
Wave Watch III	55km	T+288	Global	
	8km	T+87	Northeast Asia	
	1km	T+72	Coastal	
ADAM (Dust & Aerosol)	30km	T+72	Asia dust	
DBAR (Typhoon)	35km	T+72	Track	
Tide/Storm Surge	9km	T+87	Northeast Asia	

Operational NWP Models (March '15)



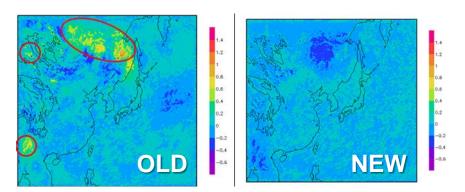
Major Upgrades in 2014 and NWP Performance



Operational System Upgrade (2014)



- Global NWP System (GDAPS)
 - No major upgrade in 2014
 - MetOp-B (ATOVS, IASI) data is used since Nov. 2013
- Regional NWP System (RDAPS)
 - Revision of Background Error Covariance for the East Asia domain



T+12 Forecast Error

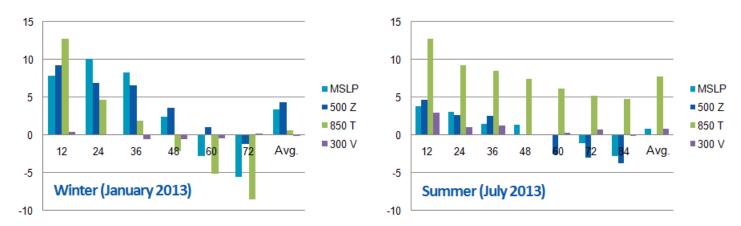
- Reduction of Continental (China) Warm Bias in the New D.A. System
- Software version upgrade of observation pre-processing (OPS), variational D.A. (VAR) and atmospheric model (UM)
- Ancillary data (LAI) update : Heat/Moisture flux improved



Operational System Upgrade (2014)



* Regional NWP System (RDAPS) - continued



Percentage Improvement (New vs. Oper.) / RMS Error / Verification against Analysis

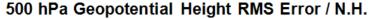
Local NWP System (LDAPS)

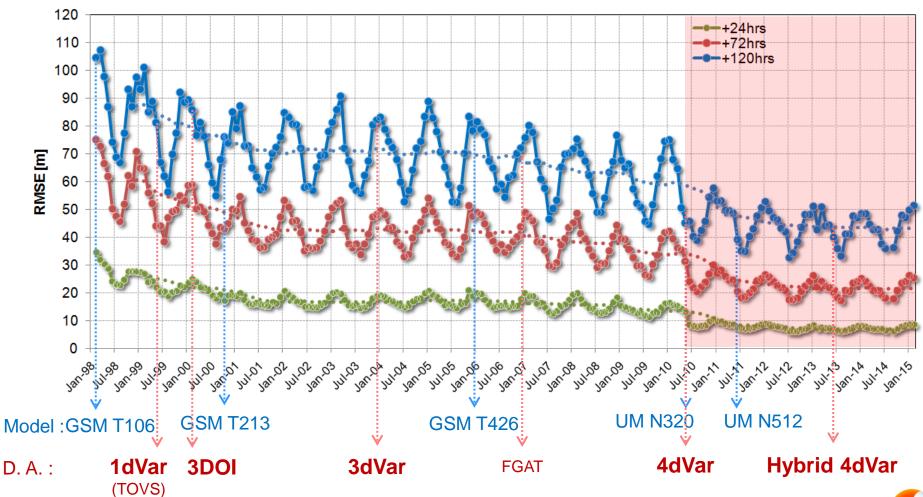
- Software version upgrade of atmospheric model (UM)
- Physics configuration update: Improvement of surface temperature and fog prediction performance



Operational Global Model Performance



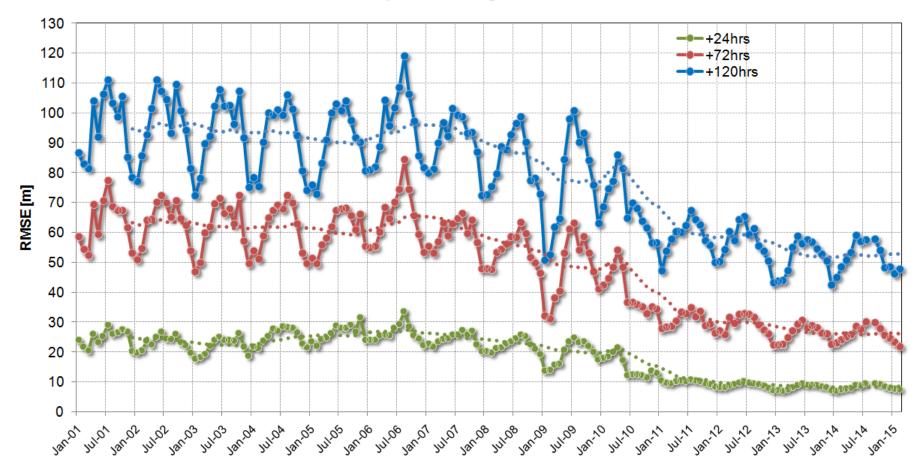




Operational Global Model Performance



500 hPa Geopotential Height RMS Error / S.H.

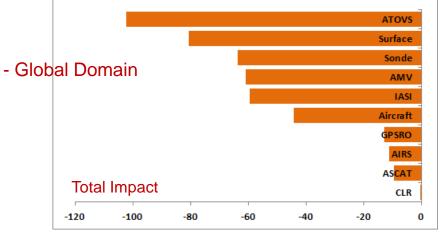




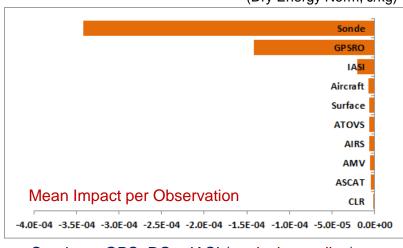
Forecast Sensitivity to Observation

FSO based on the operational global NWP system

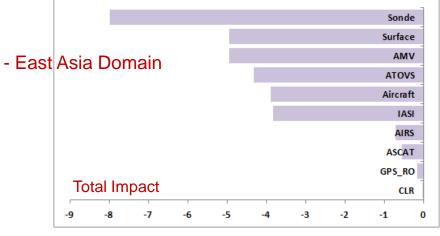


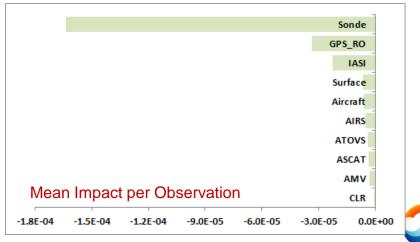


Satellite Data 58%, Non-Satellite Data 42%



Sonde >> GPS RO > IASI (vertical sounding)





Impact of Synoptic Obs. (Sonde) is still dominant in the East Asia domain

KIAPS Development

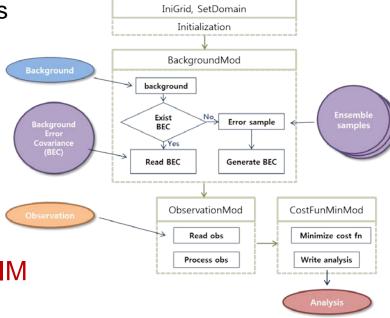
Korea Institute of Atmospheric Prediction Systems (2011~2019)



Major Achievement in 2014 (D.A.)



- Building 3DVAR System on a Cubed-Sphere
 - 3DVAR system on a cubed-sphere
 - Spectral filter and Eigenvalue analysis
 - Background error covariance
 - Variable transform method
 - Improvement of cost-function minimization
 - enhanced computational efficiency
 - Combination of 3DVAR system and KIM (KIAPS Integrated Model)
 - Successful generation of analysis field via 3DVAR



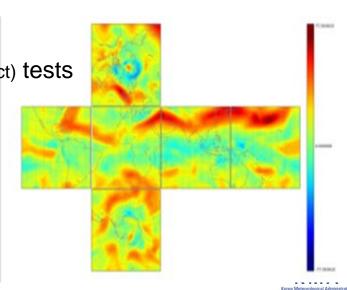


Major Achievement in 2014 (Model)



Building β-version of KIAPS global model

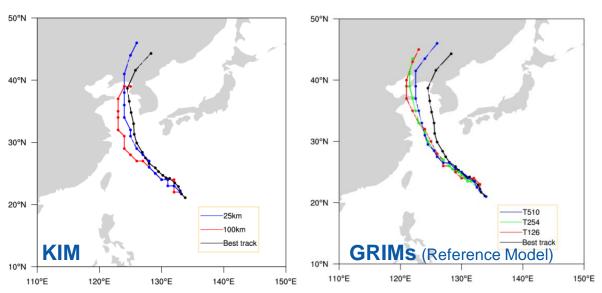
- Horizontal resolution : 25km (ne120np4)
- 50 vertical layers / Top = 0.3hPa
- Dynamical core: Hydrostatic/Non-hydrostatic system on a cubed sphere (based on CAM-SE HOMME)
- Dynamical core and physics packages are successfully combined
- Preliminary Evaluation
 - DCMIP(Dynamical Core Model Intercomparison Project) tests
 - Severe weather events
 - Medium-range (10-day) experiments

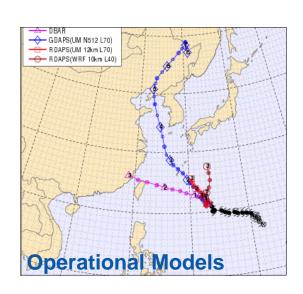


KIM Results

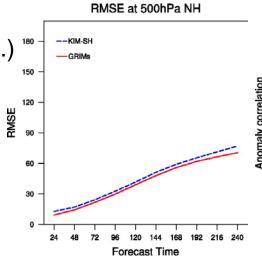
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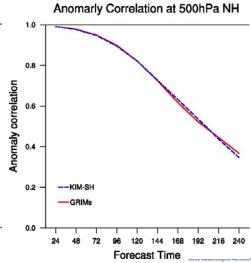
Typhoon Bolaven Case (August 2012)





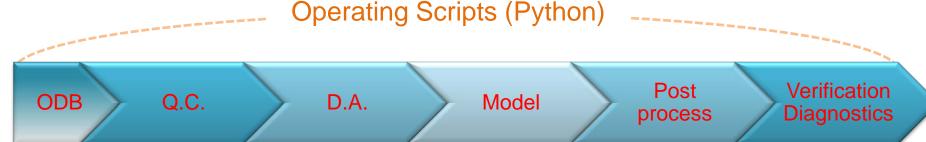
- Initial Condition : GFS Analysis (No D.A.)
- Verification score from 10-day forecast for a month (July 2013)
- RMSE, AC are comparable to the reference model





KIAPS Development Plan for 2015

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- Further development of β-version KIAPS NWP System
 - Complete building a 3DVAR-EnKF Hybrid D.A. cycling system
 - Design end-to-end system from observation data acquisition to post-processing/verification system
 - Refine dynamical core and physics package of KIM
 - More emphasis on non-hydrostatic version
 - (Near) real-time run and evaluation of KIM system



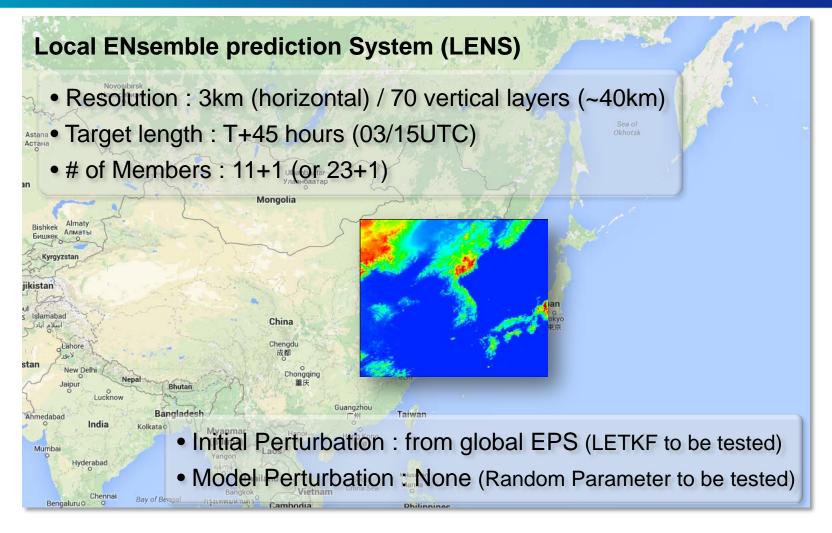


On-going Research/Development and Further Plans



Convective scale EPS



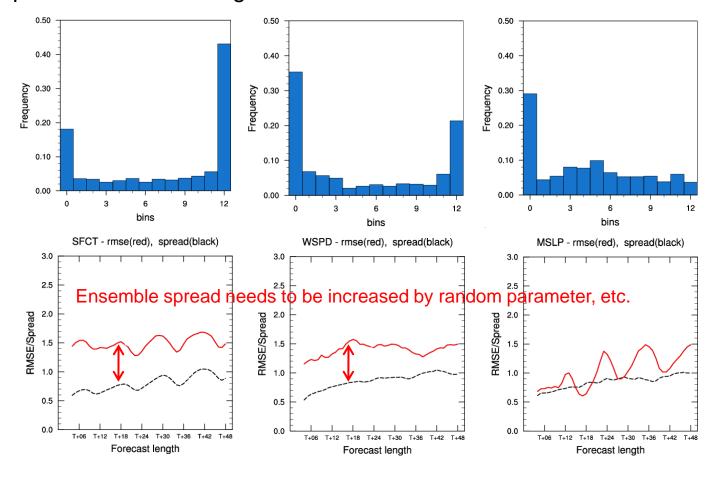


Planned to be in Operation in Q4 2015



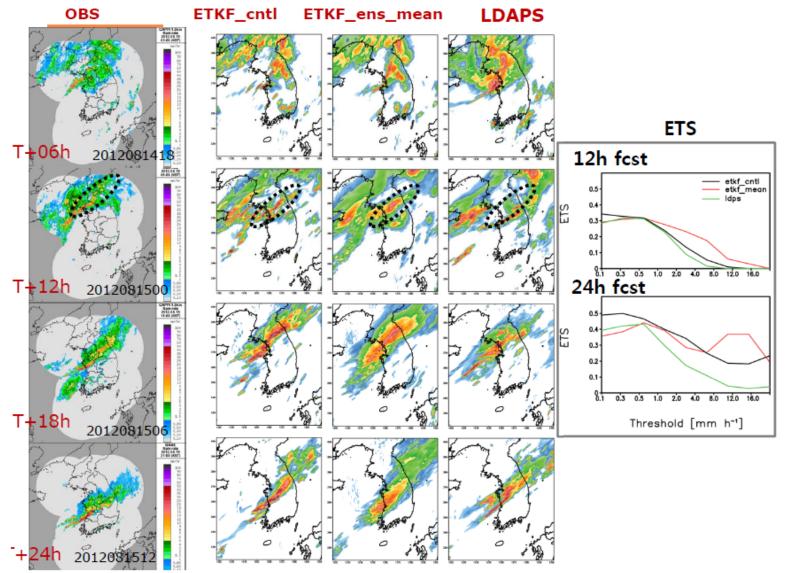
Convective scale EPS – Preliminary Evaluation

- Rank histogram and time series show small ensemble spread
 - Initial ensemble spread needs to be increased
- Warm temperature bias and negative 10m wind bias





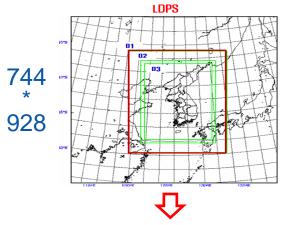






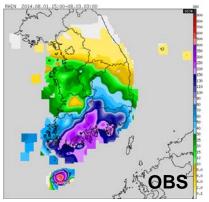
Further Development of Local NWP System

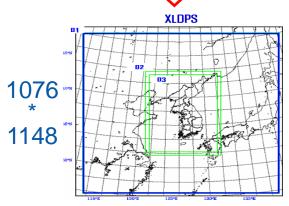
- Expanding the outer (low-resolution [4km]) domain
 - Mitigating negative impact of lateral B.C. from global model which sometimes degrades the forecast accuracy

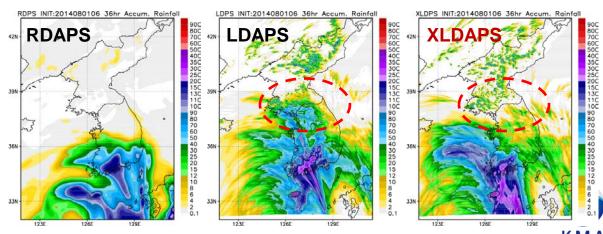


Typhoon NAKRI case (July 2014)

• 36hr accumulated rainfall amount

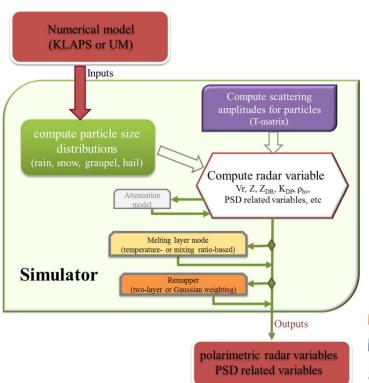






Further Development of Local NWP System

- Development of Atmosphere-Wave Coupled System
 - Coupling of LDAPS(UM) with WaveWatch III using OASIS-MCT coupler
 - Considering the air-sea interaction to enhance the short-range forecast performance
 - Optimization of physical parameterizations (especially microphysics scheme) using dual polarization radar and single column model





Summary of Future Plans



Future Plans (Development Strategy)



Medium-range NWP (Global Model)

- Collaboration among UM Community (UK Met Office, CAWCR, etc.)
- 17km resolution Global NWP System with ENDGame DyCore
 - Real-time run and evaluation ('15)
 - Operational Implementation ('16)
 - ★ Use of additional observation (CrIS, ATMS, etc.)

Short-range NWP

- Tuning / Optimization of operational short-range NWP systems
 - LDAPS domain expansion ('15)
 - Atmosphere-Wave coupled LDAPS (~'16)
- Local ensemble prediction system (LENS)
 - Operational implementation ('15)
 - Enhancement of initial perturbation, etc. ('16)



Future Plans (summary table)

Year	2015	2016	2017
НРС	Cray XE6 Cray XC40 (1 st stage)	Cray XC40 (final stage)	
Short-range	12km L70 / 4DVAR (East Asia Domain) [Frozen with minor upgrade (new observation, etc.)]		
Deterministic	1.5kmL70 / 3DVAR Extended Domain	1.5kmL70 / 3DVAR (->4DVAR?) Extended Domain / WW3 Coupled	
Short-range Ensemble	3kmL70 12M (Newly Operational)	3kmL70 12M~24M (ETKF / Random Parameter)	
Medium-range Deterministic	25kmL70 Hybrid 4DVAR	17kmL70 (ENDGame core) Hybrid 4DVAR	
Medium-range Ensemble	40kmL70 24M	32kmL70 (or 25km) 24(44)M (ENDGame core)	
Seasonal Prediction	GloSea5 [60kmL85 (Atmos.) / 0.25deg L75 (Ocean)] Met Office – KMA joint seasonal prediction system		

Questions

