

Datasets of Opportunity	Description	File Format
Initialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NAM – Grid 221 (~32 km)</li> <li>GFS – 0.5°</li> <li>RAP (when available*) – Grid 130 (~13 km)</li> <li>HRRR (when available**) – 3 km</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NAM – GRIB</li> <li>GFS – GRIB2</li> <li>RAP – GRIB2</li> <li>HRRR – GRIB2</li> </ul>
Data Assimilation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Example scripts to run GSI</li> <li>Fixed files to run system (e.g., background error covariance files, observation data control files for conventional and satellite observations, and satellite bias correction files)</li> <li>North American Data Assimilation System (NDAS) observation files in BUFR format</li> <li>RAP observation files in BUFR format (when available*)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scripts to run GSI – Shell scripts</li> <li>Background error covariance files, observation data control files, and satellite bias correction files – ASCII</li> <li>NDAS and RAP conventional and satellite observation files – BUFR</li> </ul>
Pre-processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Configuration files – namelist.wps and namelist.nps</li> <li>Metgrid output for DTC baselines – met_em* and met_nmb*</li> <li>Additional boundary condition and gravity wave drag information – (NMMB runs only)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Configuration files – ASCII</li> <li>Metgrid output – NetCDF</li> <li>Additional boundary condition information – Binary</li> </ul>
Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Configuration files – namelist.input and configure_file</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Configuration files – ASCII</li> </ul>
Post-processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Configuration files – wrf_cntrl.parm and nmb_cntrl.parm</li> <li>Example run script – run_unipost</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Configuration files – ASCII</li> <li>Run script – Shell scripts</li> </ul>
Graphics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Model output graphics (number of variables for all forecast hours)</li> <li>NCL scripts used to create graphics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graphics – PNG</li> <li>Scripts – NCL</li> </ul>
Observations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raw and processed point observations – NDAS in prepbufr format (unprocessed) and NetCDF (run through <i>pb2nc</i> – processed w/ +/-45 min time window for specified variable and message types)</li> <li>Raw and processed (run through <i>pcp_combine</i> and <i>copygb</i> to bucket and regrid, respectively) precipitation observations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 3-hr accumulations use Stage II data</li> <li>– 6-hr accumulations use Stage IV data</li> <li>– 24-hr accumulations use CPC and Stage II data</li> </ul> </li> <li>Raw and processed (run through, <i>cnvgrib</i> to convert to GRIB, <i>copygb</i> to regrid) NCEP radar mosaic analyses (when available***) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 3-hr increments</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NDAS files – PrepBUFR</li> <li>NDAS files processed with MET – NetCDF</li> <li>Native Stage II, Stage IV, and CPC files – GRIB</li> <li>Stage II, Stage IV, and CPC files processed with MET – NetCDF</li> <li>Native NCEP radar mosaic files – GRIB2</li> <li>NCEP radar mosaic files processed with <i>copygb</i> – GRIB</li> </ul>

Verification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Example scripts to run MET for grid-to-point (<i>point_stat</i>) and grid-to-grid (<i>grid_stat</i>) verification</li> <li>• MET configuration files for <i>pb2nc</i>, <i>grid_stat</i>, and <i>point_stat</i></li> <li>• MET output for DTC baselines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– RAP physics suite with WRF-ARW (v3.7.1 onward)</li> <li>– Air Force physics suite with WRF-ARW (v3.6.1 and prior)</li> <li>– NAM physics suite with NEMS-NMMB</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Verification plots for DTC baselines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Surface: Bias and BCRMSE for 2-m temp, 2-m dew point, and 10-m wind and bias by observation point for 2-m temp, 2-m dew point, and 10-m wind</li> <li>– Precipitation: GSS and Frequency bias for 03-, 06-, and 24-h accumulations (in 12-h increments) by threshold; FSS by forecast lead time</li> <li>– Composite radar reflectivity: FSS by forecast lead time</li> <li>– Upper air: Bias and BCRMSE for temp, dew point, and wind by lead time (12-h increments)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scripts to run MET – Shell scripts</li> <li>• MET configuration files – ASCII</li> <li>• MET output – ASCII and NetCDF</li> <li>• Verification plots – PNG</li> </ul>
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\* RAP became operational in 1 May 2012

\*\* HRRR became operational on 30 September 2014

\*\*\* NCEP radar mosaic product available since 10 October 2010