

GreenSurge: an efficient Additive Model to assess Storm Surge induced by Tropical Cyclones

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Spatial Scales

South Pacific

Wallis and Futuna Mata'utu



Regional Scale

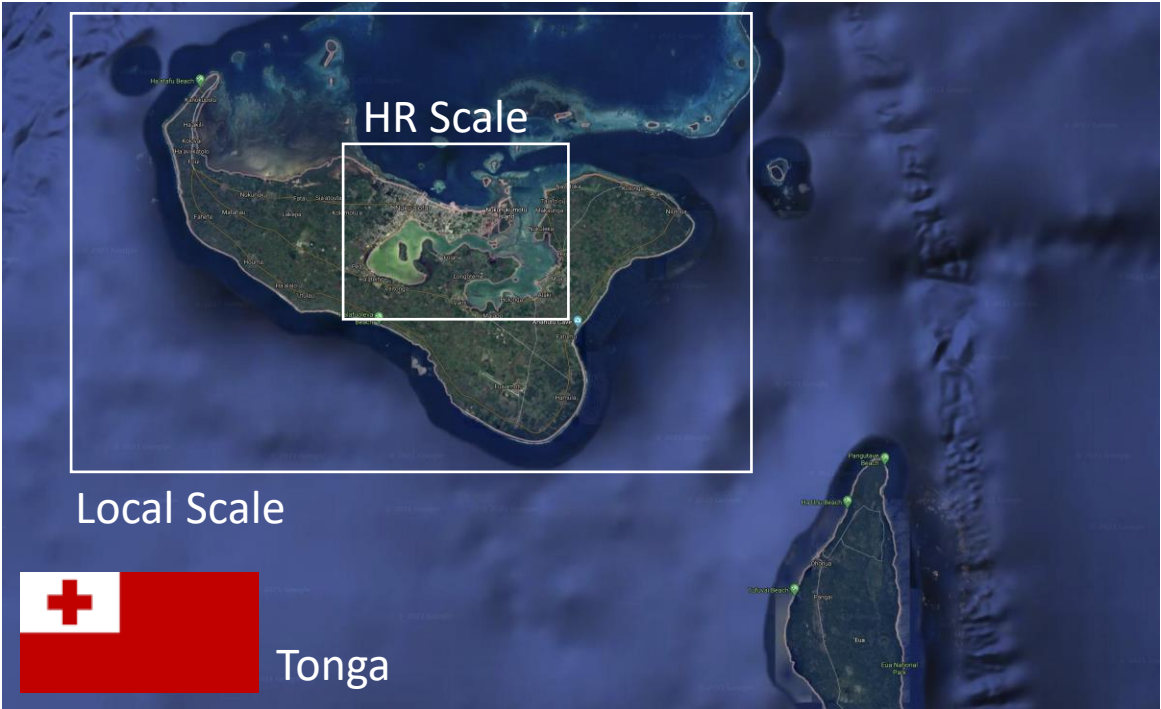
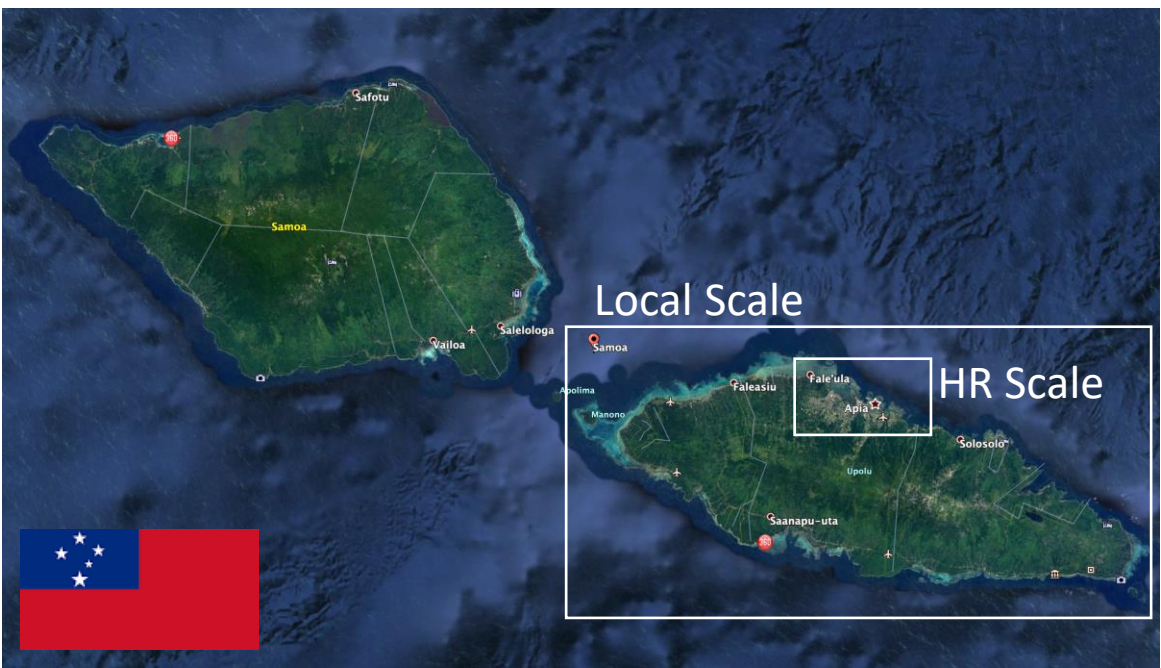
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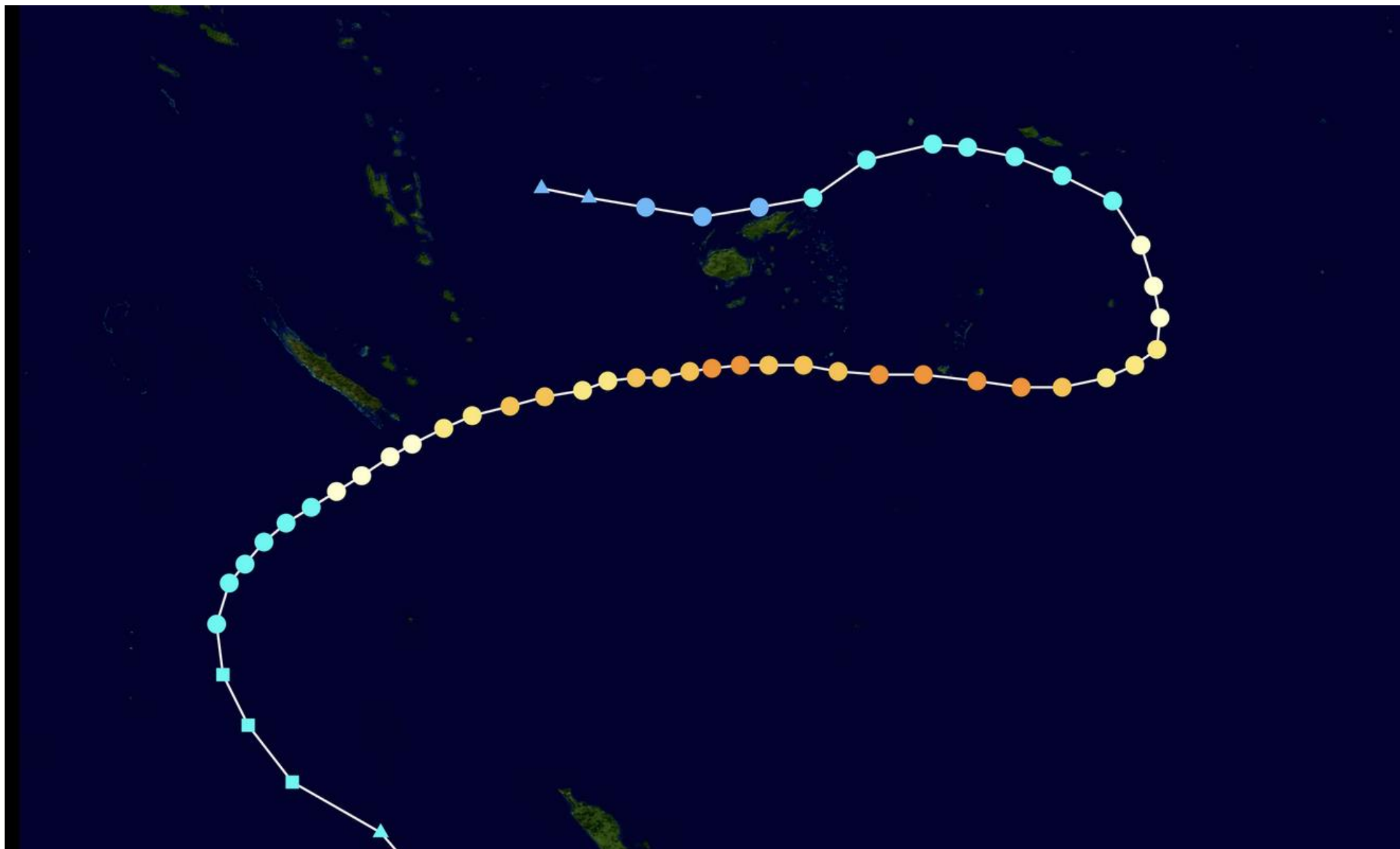
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Tonga Nuku'alofa
Tonga

Regional Scale





Introduction

Cyclone Gita: Tonga devastated by worst storm in 60 years

Winds of more than 230km/h recorded as parliament building flattened and power lines brought down



The aftermath of cyclone Gita is seen in Nuku'alofa, Tonga. Photograph: Social Media/Reuters



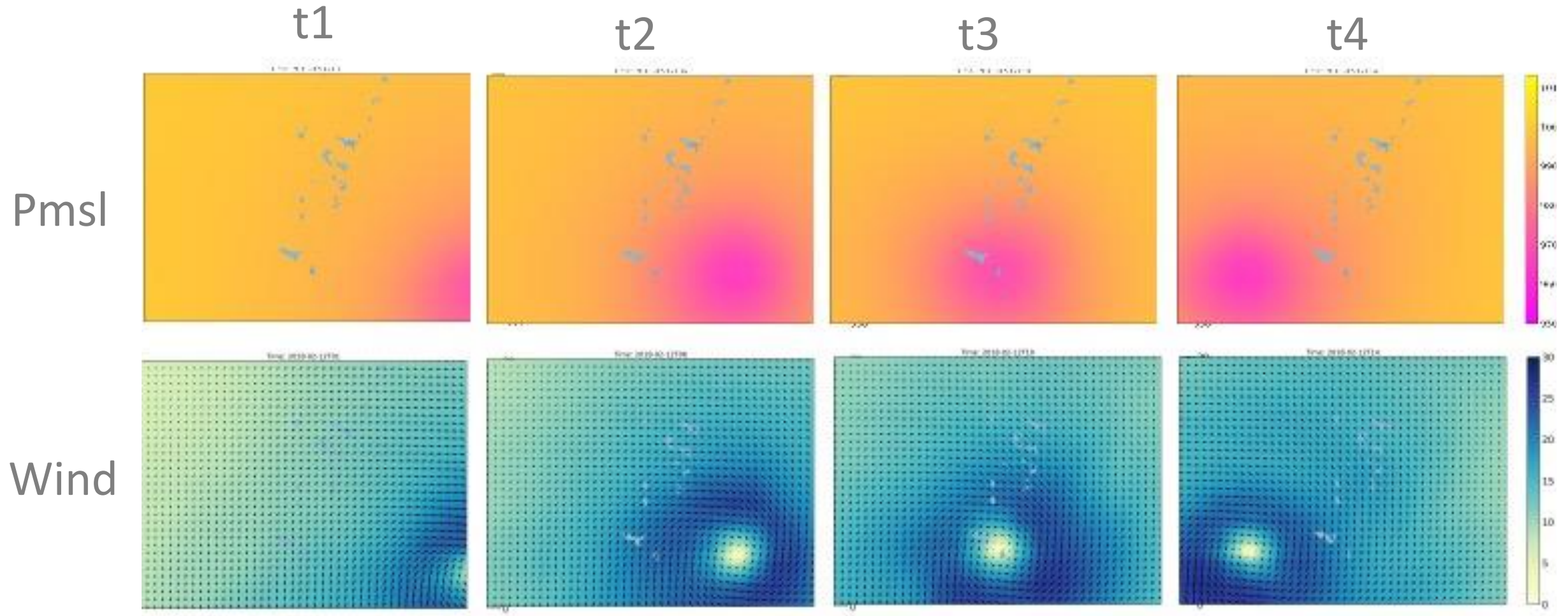
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In this Friday, Feb. 9, 2018 photo, first responders with a backhoe work amid strong winds and heavy rain from Tropical Storm Gita to clear part of the main road at Fagaalu village in American Samoa. Officials in American Samoa began a full assessment Monday, Feb. 12, of damage caused by tropical storm Gita over the weekend. (AP Photo/Fili Sagapolutele)

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HR Storm Surge assessment
Dynamic downscaling approach

TC-GITA 2018/02
Pmin 929mb



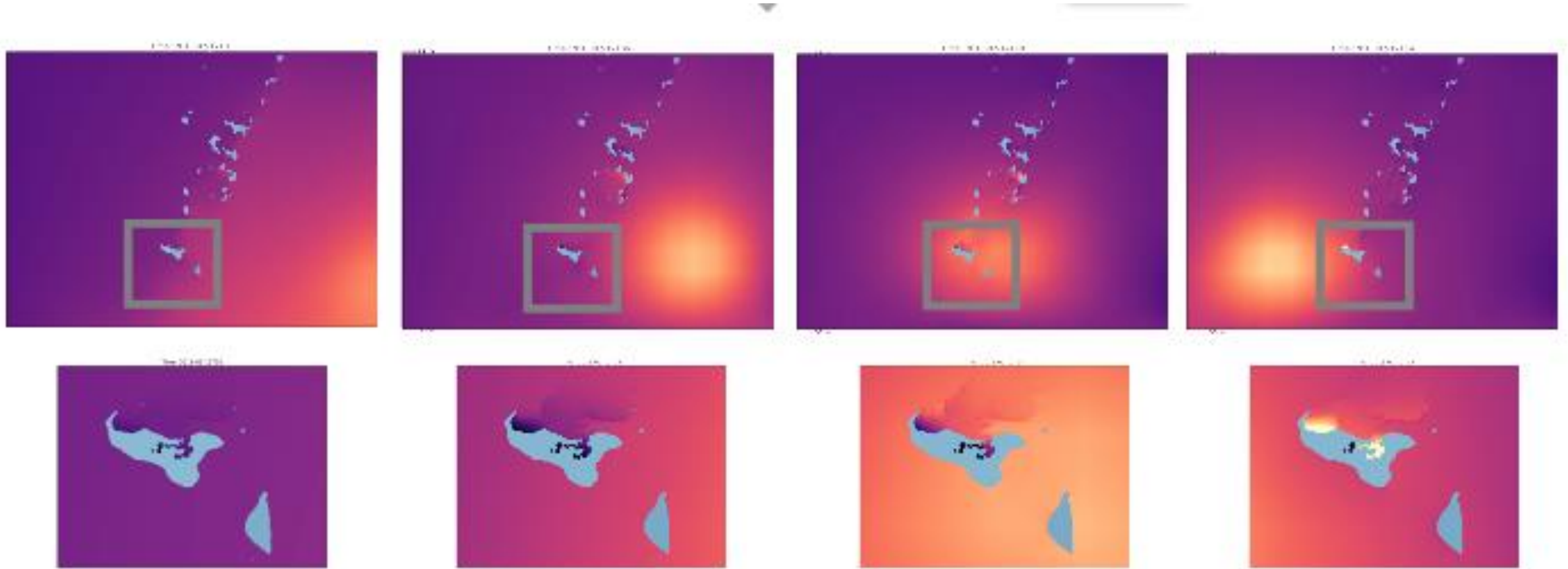
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Delft3D
(full dynamic simulation)

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Downscaling approach --> **Hybrid Additive model**

Linear summation of the physical processes + High Fidelity Hydrodynamic model

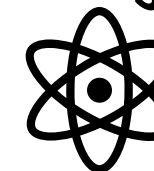
Strengths/objectives:

- **Fast** prediction HR results
- **Low computational** resources
- Any climate (regular, extreme, tropical cyclone...)
- **High Fidelity Numerical** (Hydrodynamic, Atmospheric) Models
- Probabilistic (x N simulations)

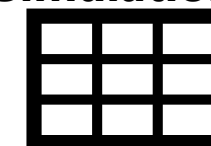
Low Resources



Data Science



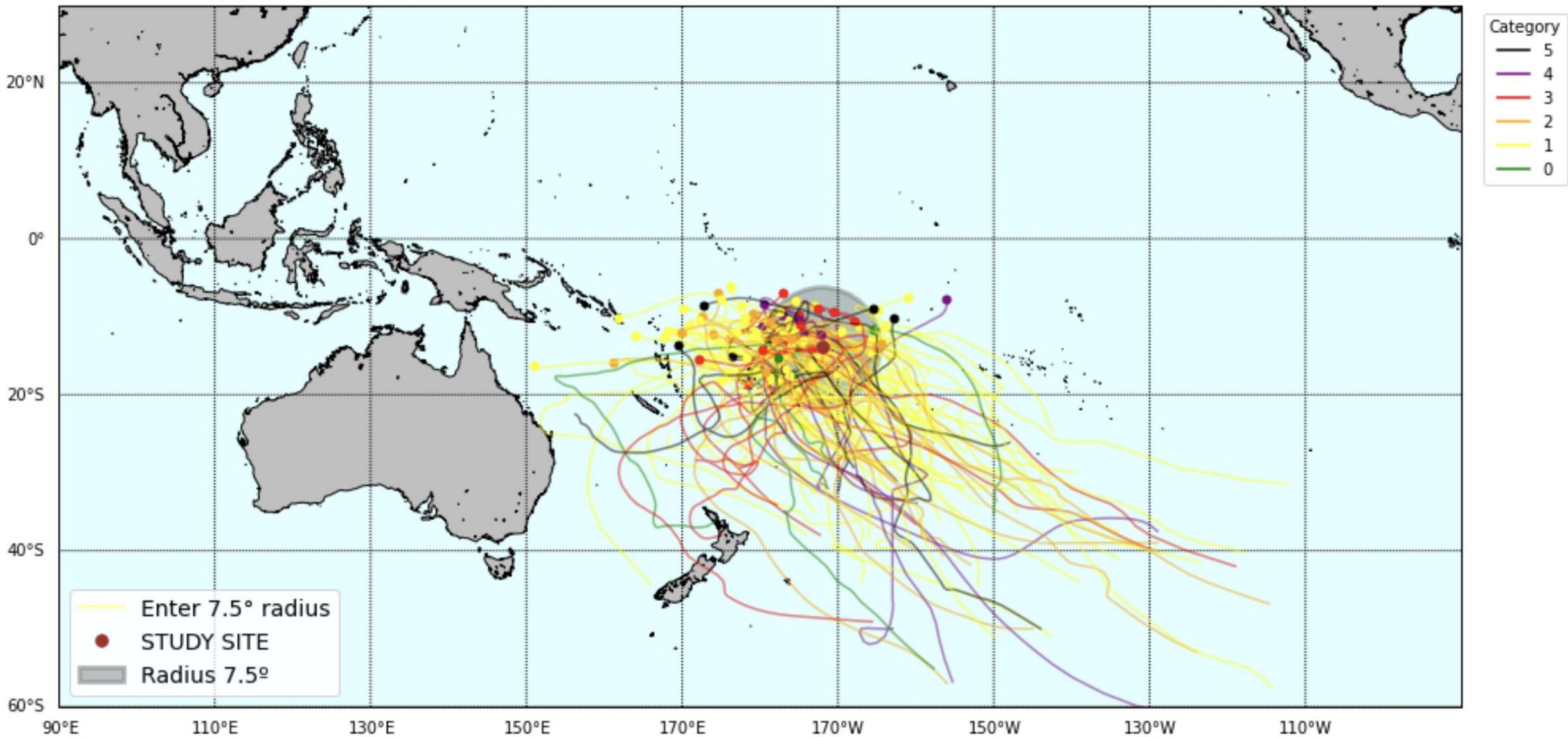
Pre-run
Simulations



Extreme Events

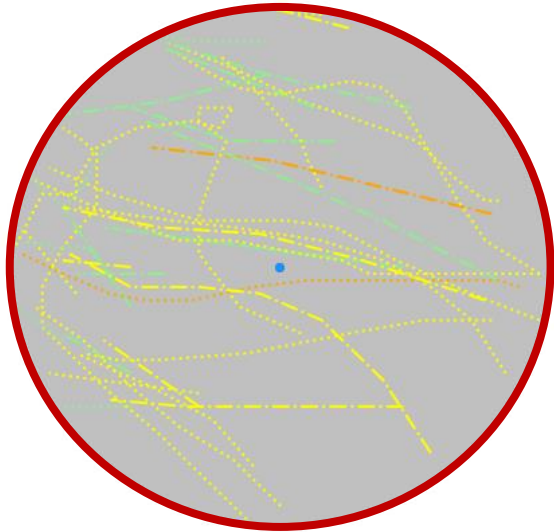


Historical TCs

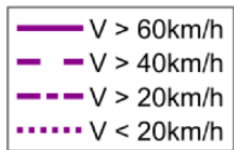
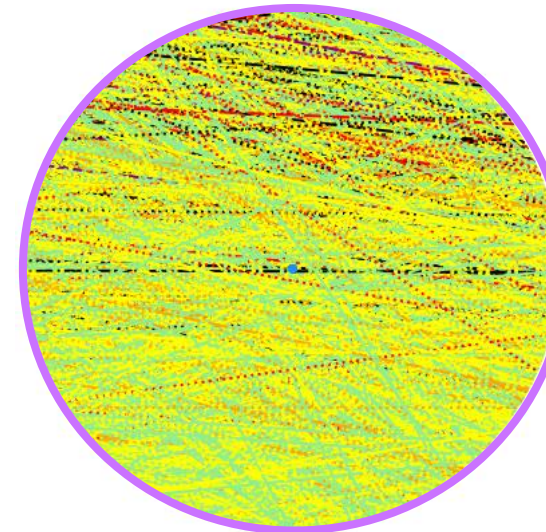
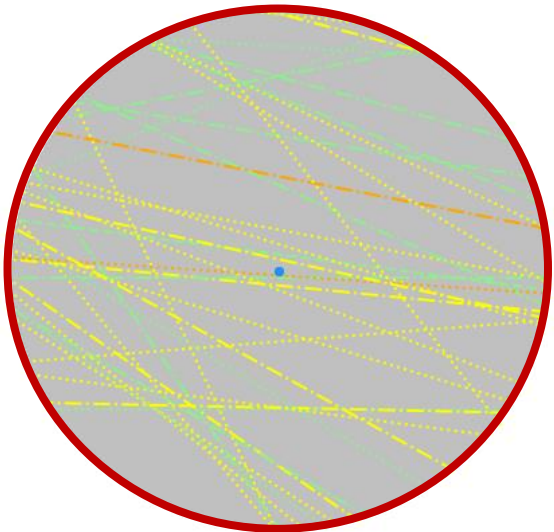
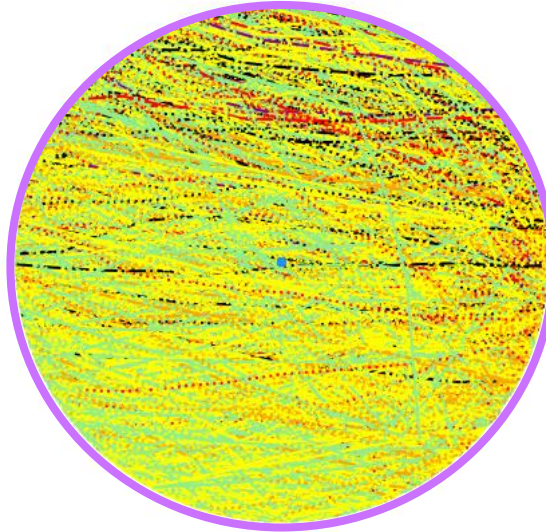


Initial Idea: Parameterization of the track (HyTCWaves, van Vloten et al 2022)

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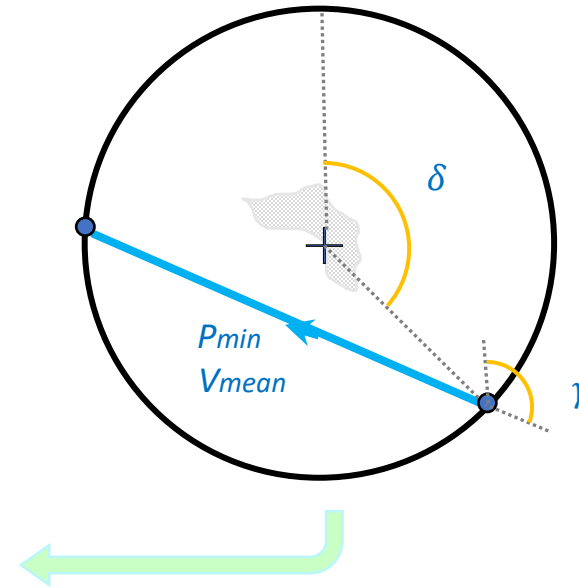


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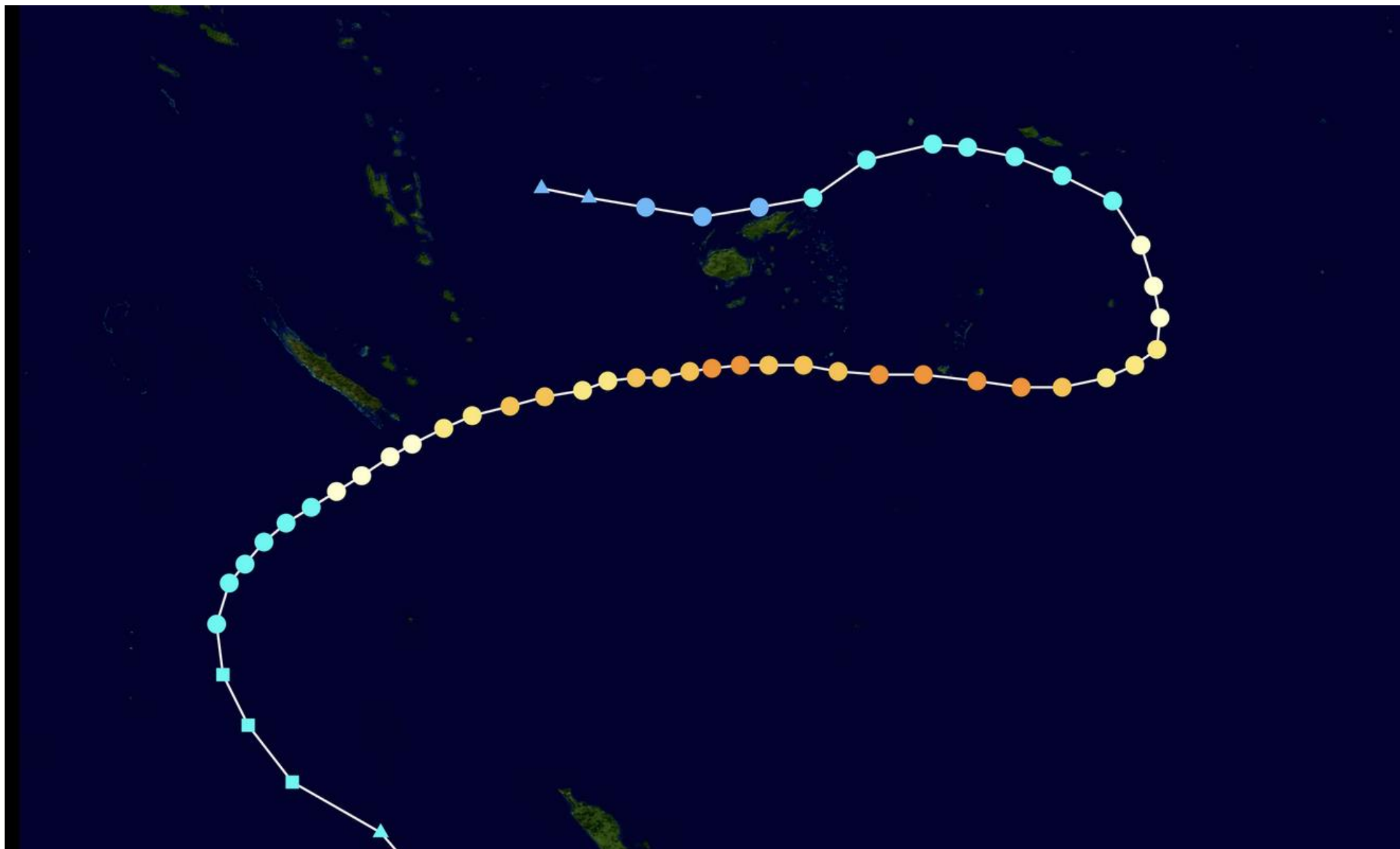
**Storm track
parameterization**

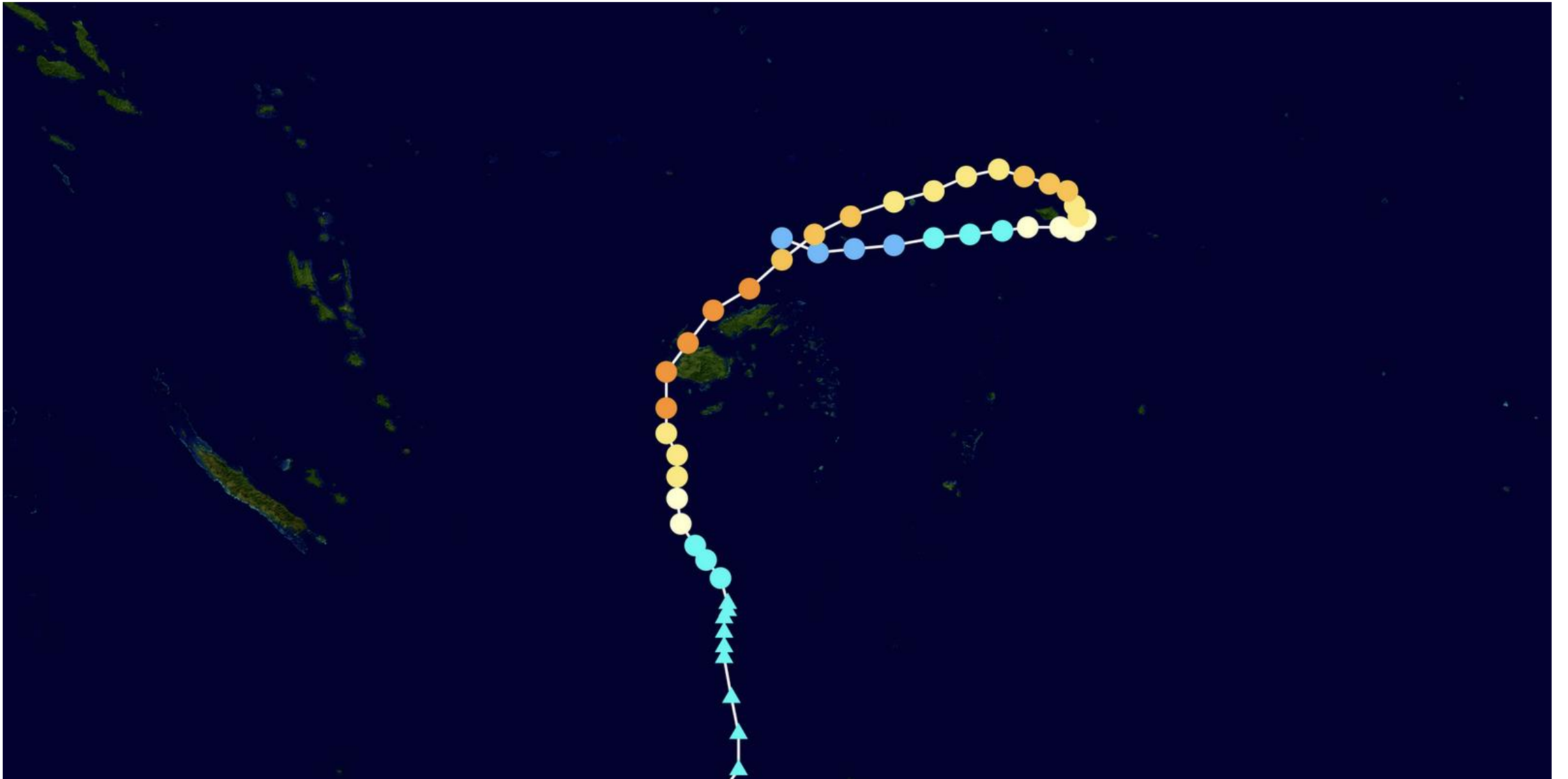
- Minimum central pressure
- Mean translational velocity
- Angle of entrance
- Angle of forward direction



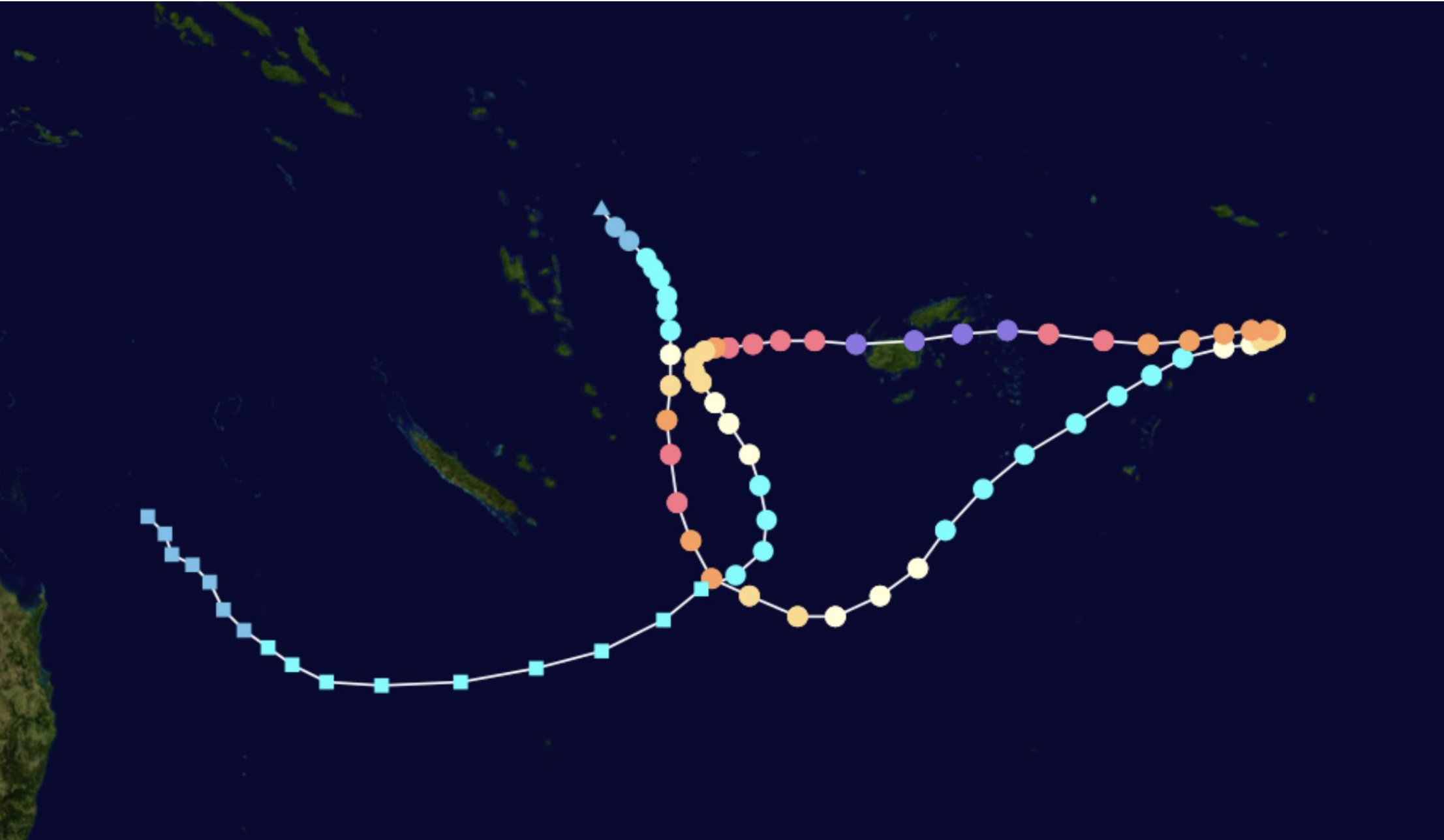
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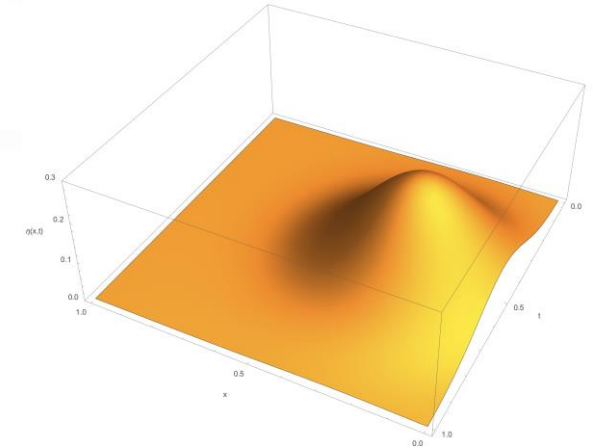
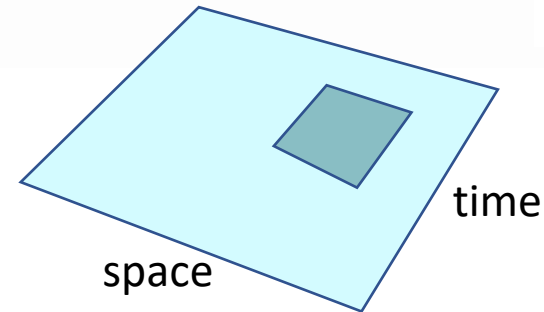
TC Winston (2016)



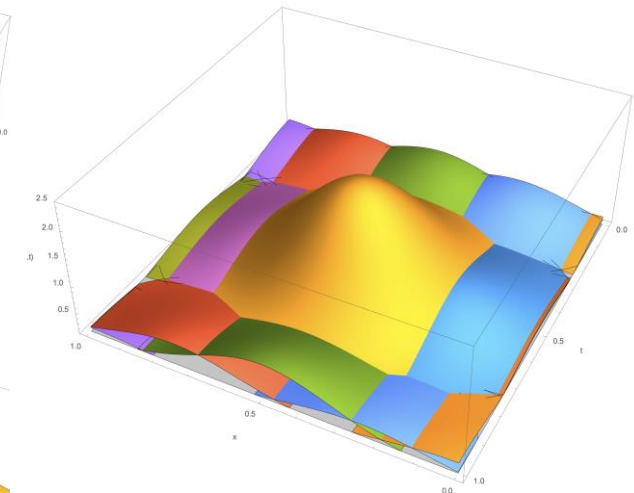
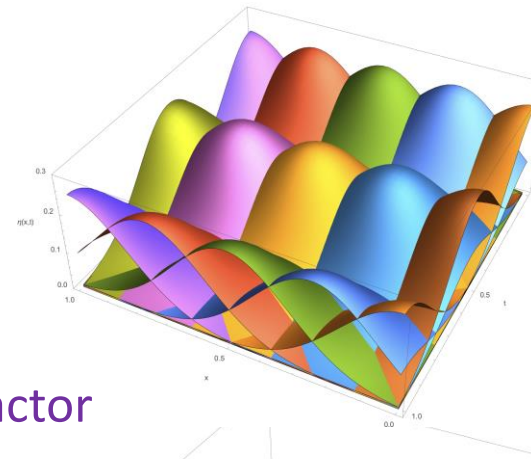
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Hybrid models: Additive Model

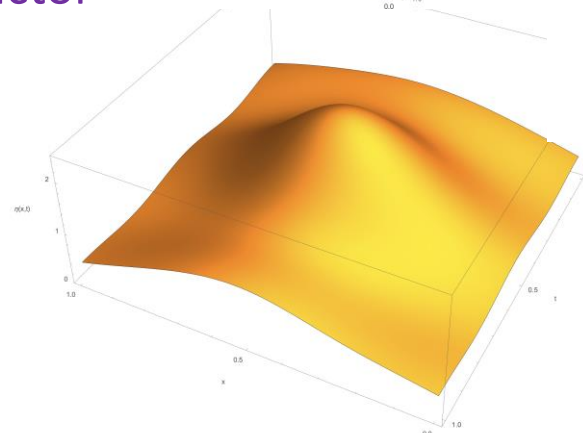
1) Discretize the problem in unitary or binary scales of forcings (wind, fault bump, wave bins) at space and time



2) Pre-run Library of M binary cases



3) Reconstruction 1: Application of scaling Factor



4) Reconstruction 2: summation of bins

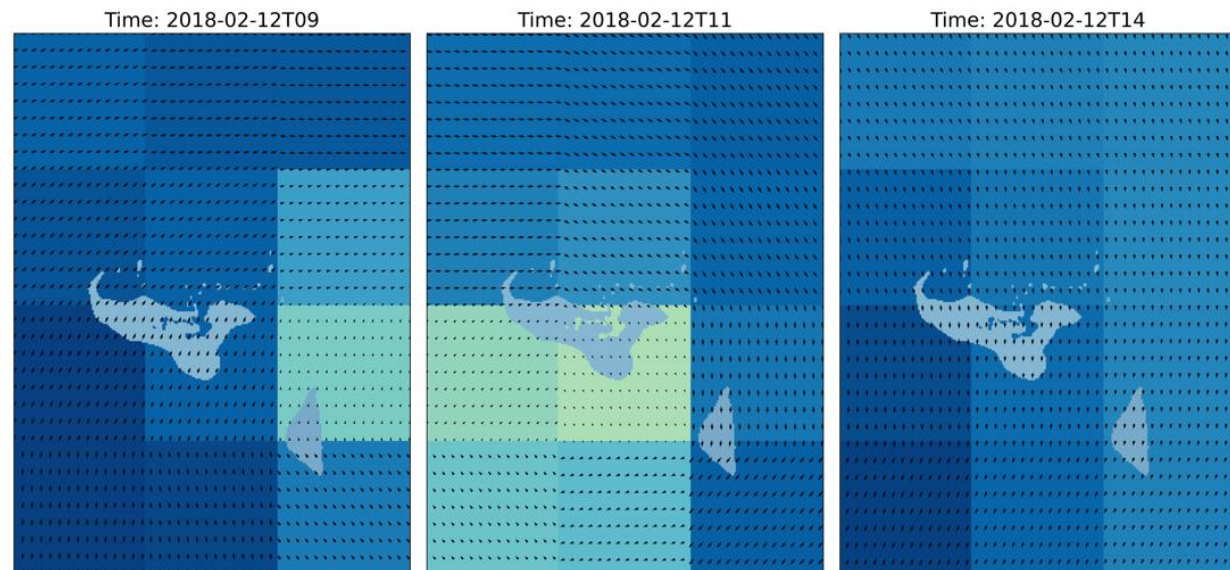
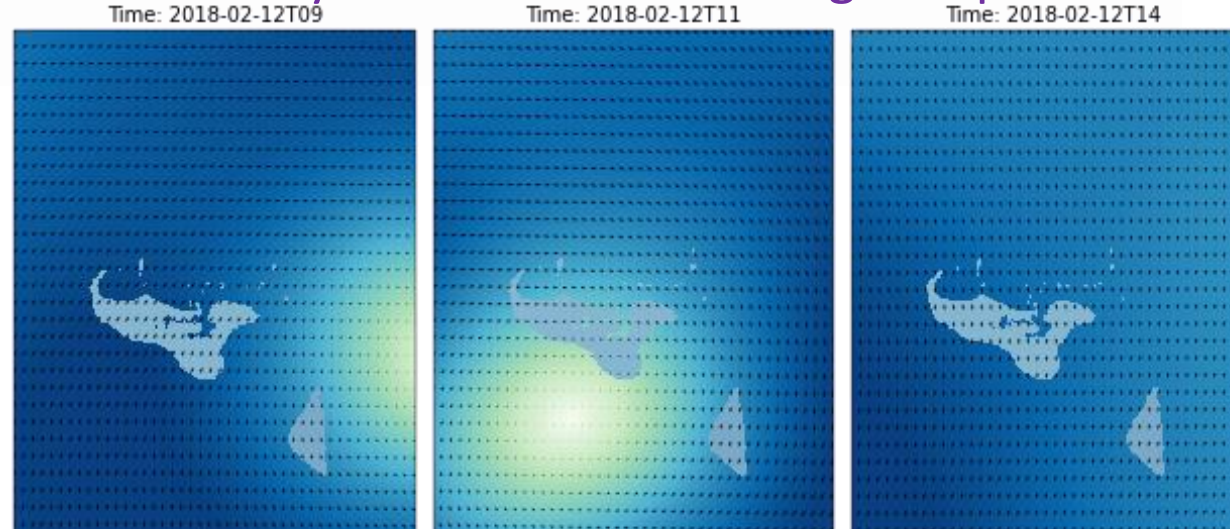
Examples:

- Tsunamis *Guan-Yu Chen et al., 2020*
- BinWaves *Cagigal et al. 2023*

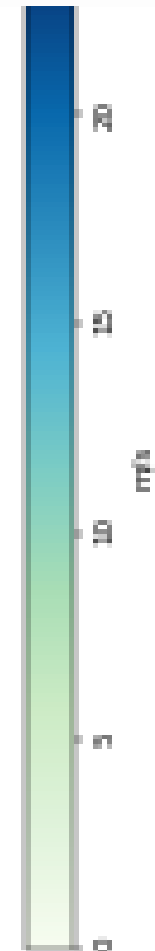
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1) Discretize the problem in unitary scales of wind forcings at space and time



12 cells
28 km



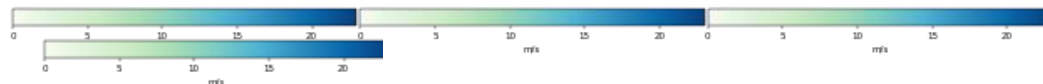
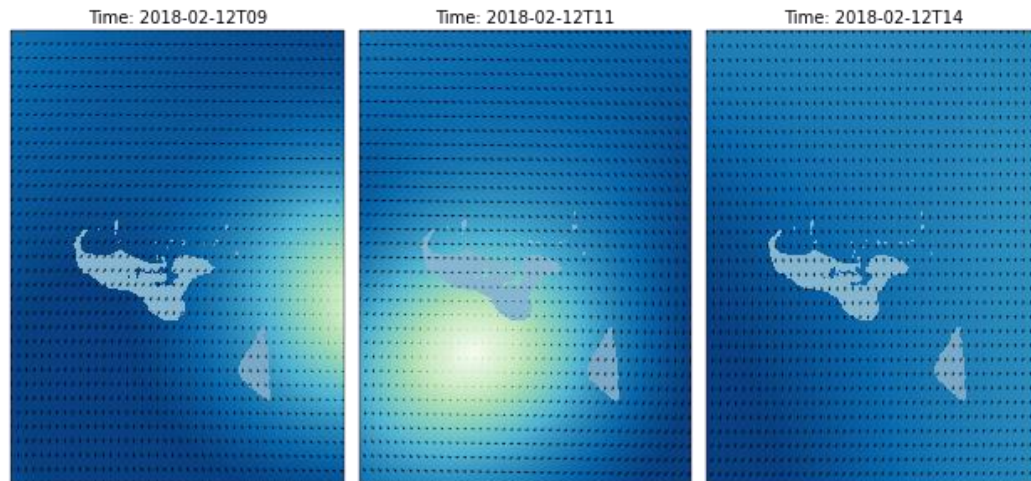
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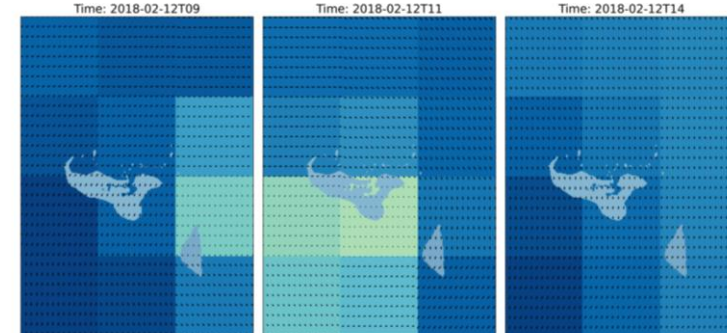
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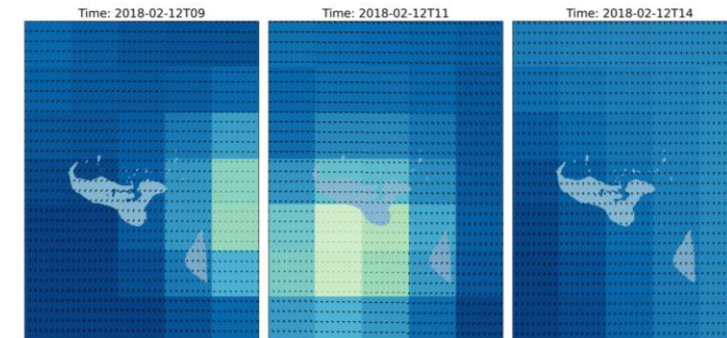
- Spatial partition discretization:
 - Square-shaped cells of 20km
- Wind direction discretization: 24



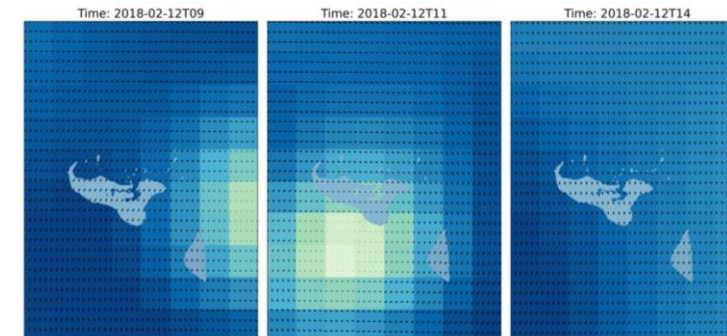
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35 cells
16 km



80 cells
10 km



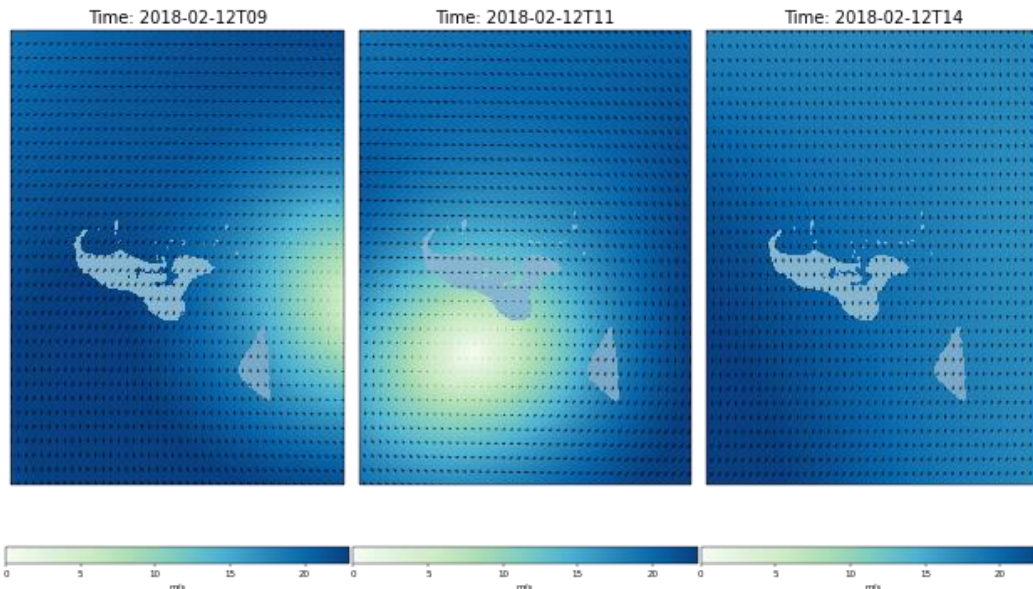
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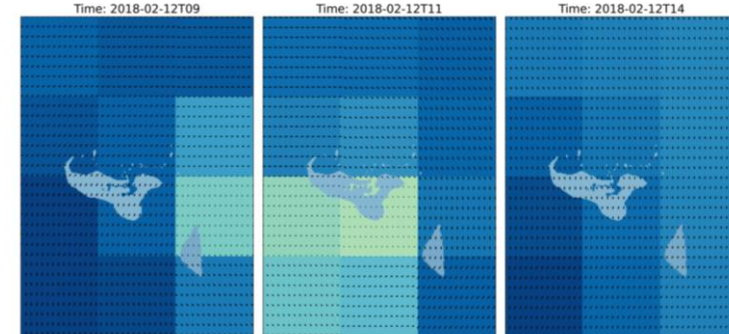
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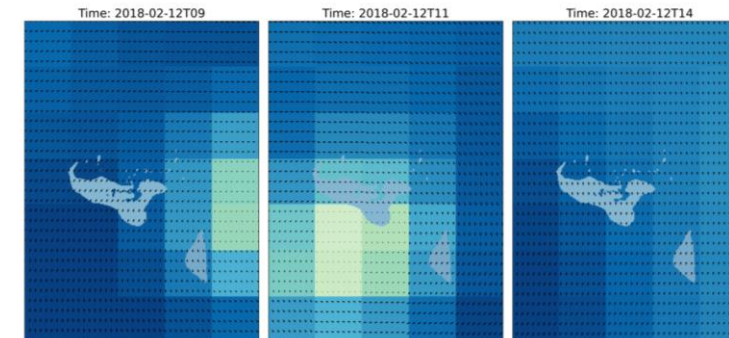
- Spatial partition discretization:
 - Square-shaped cells/tiles/tesellas of 10km
- Wind direction discretization: 24



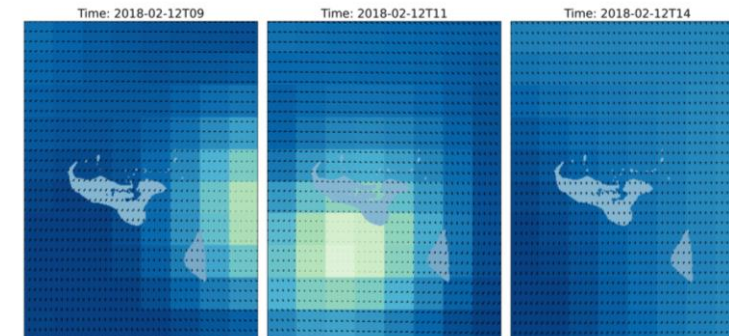
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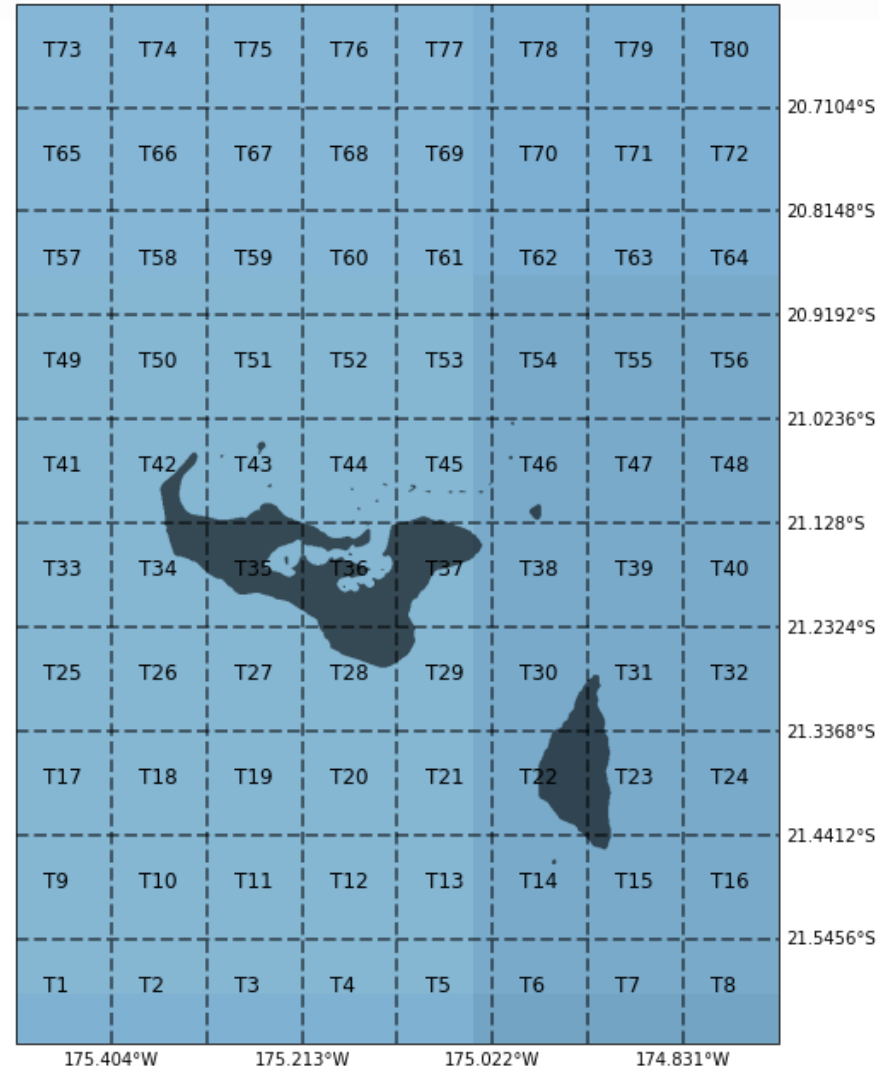
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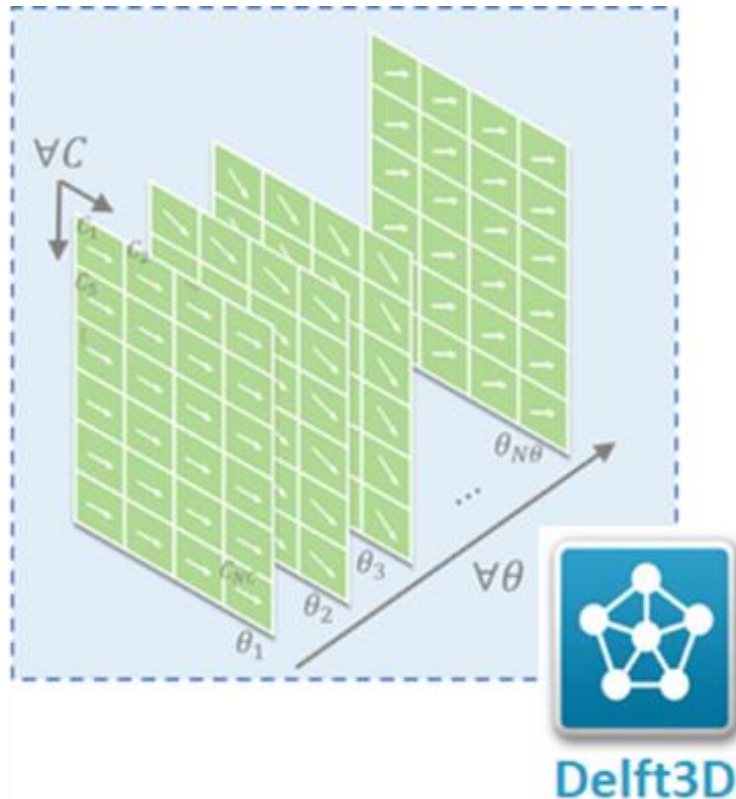
- Unit wind magnitude: 40 m/s
- Drag coefficient function: Wu (1982)
- Wind direction discretization: 24 (15°)
- Delft3D-Flow
- Spatial Resolution 200 m
- 10x8 tiles – tesellas
- Time discretization: 1+23h
 - 1h sustained wind
 - 23h time afterwards



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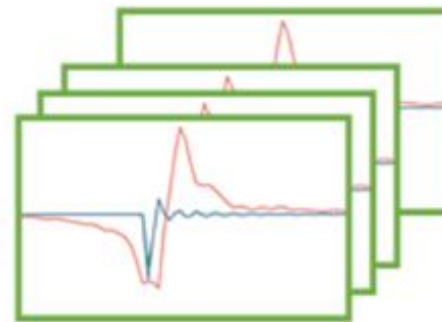
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Generation Green's Functions Database (GFD)
database of sea level response to unit wind-sources
from any direction over pre-defined regions (wind cells)

Green's Functions Database (GFD)



$$\eta_{ij} \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, N_C\} \\ \forall j \in \{1, \dots, N_\theta\}$$

Tongatapu example

$$N_C = 80 \\ N_\theta = 24$$

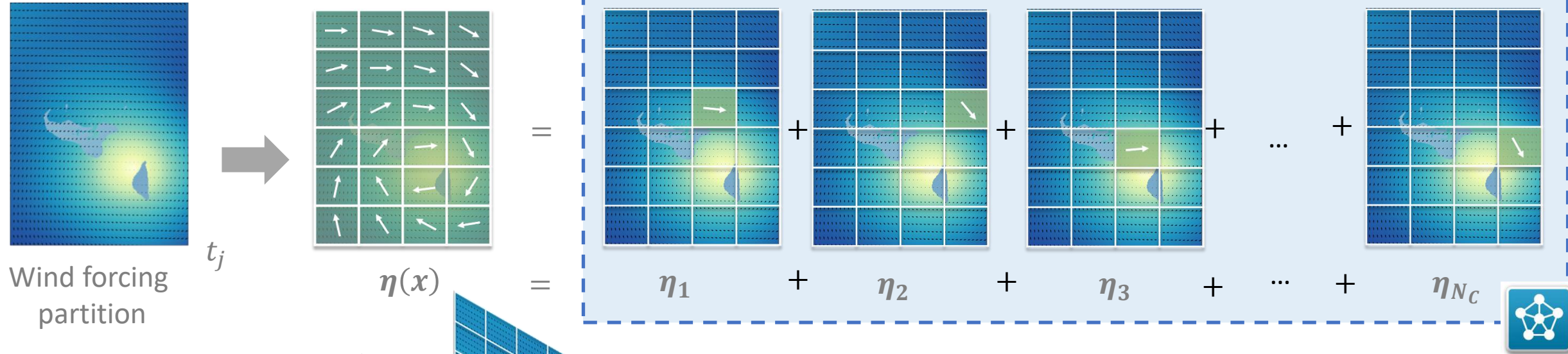
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Under linear dynamics framework

4) Reconstruction: re-scaling and ensemble (Green's function summation)



Linear Summation

$$\eta(x, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_c} \sum_{j=1}^{N_t} \alpha \eta_{ij}$$

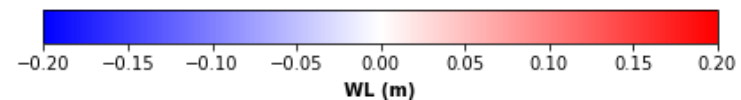
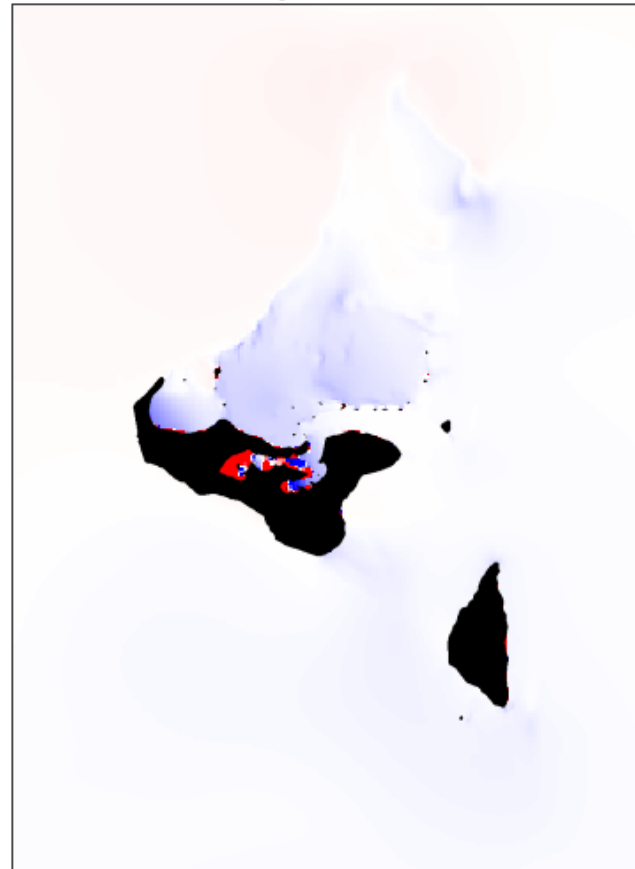
$\alpha = f(W, C_D)$
re-scaling

Numerical Validation

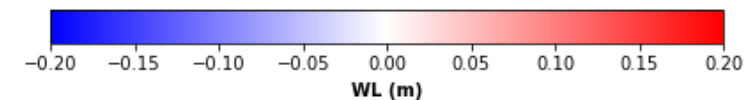
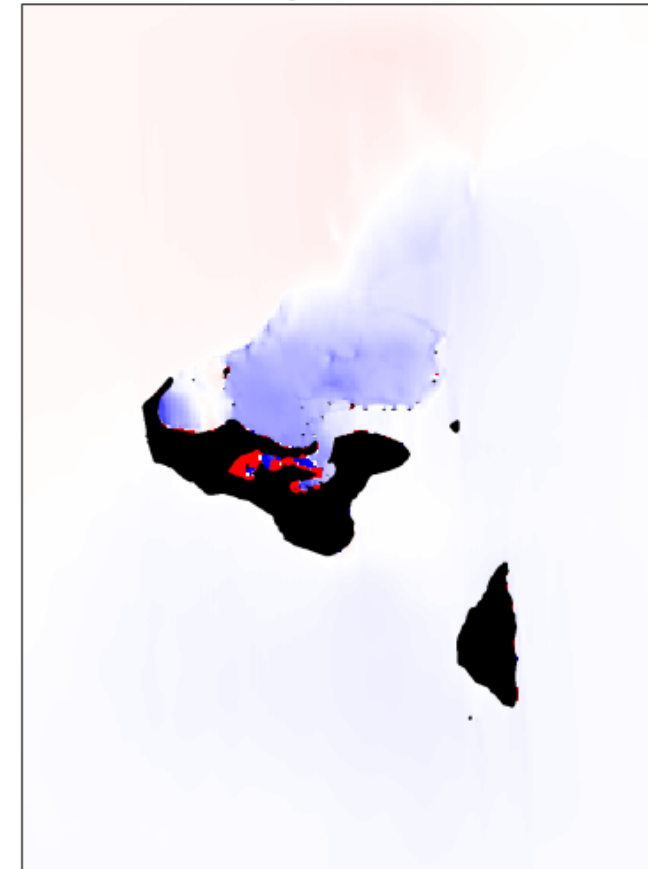
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Reconstruction of Harold 2020

Dynamic Wind SetUp,
Time: 09-Apr-2020 03:00AM



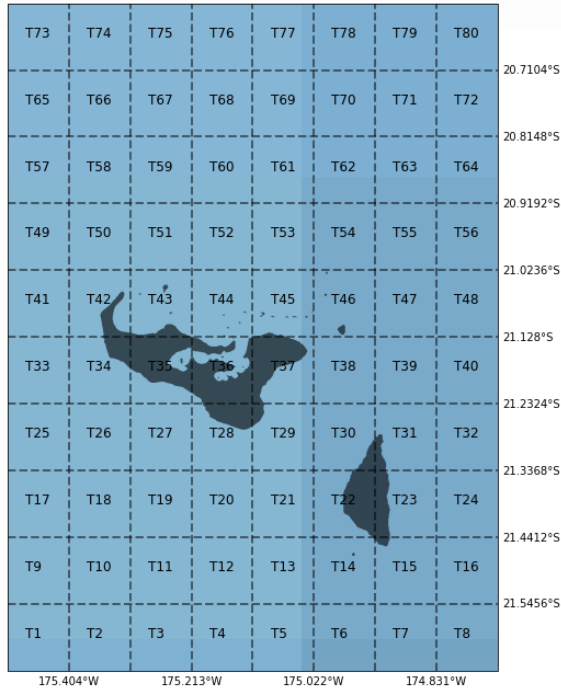
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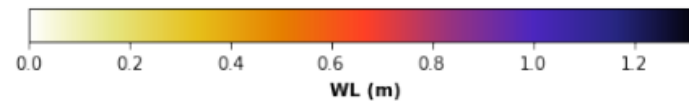
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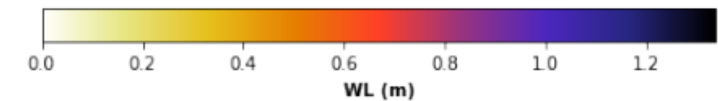
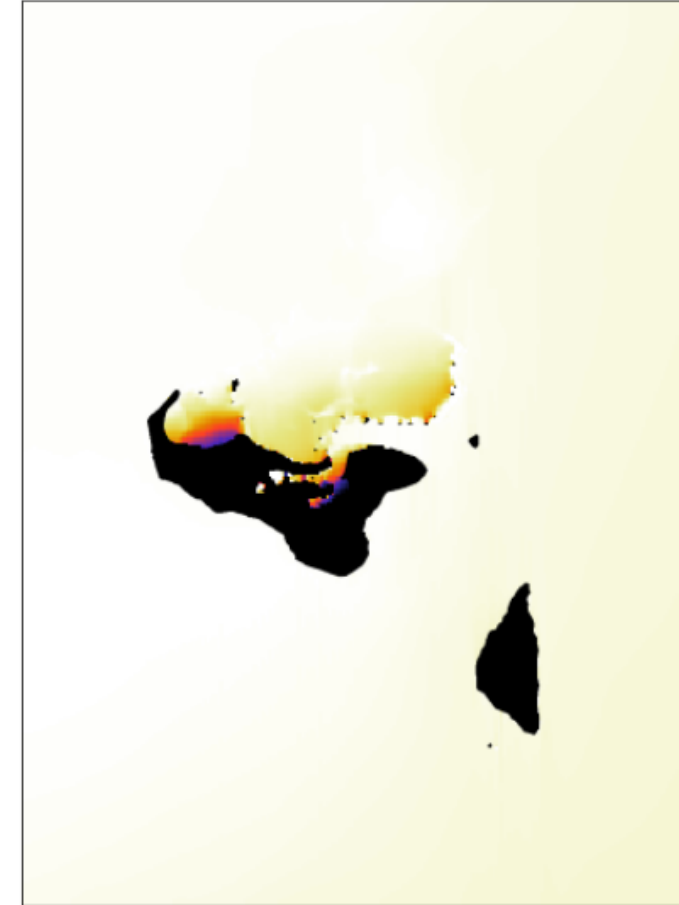
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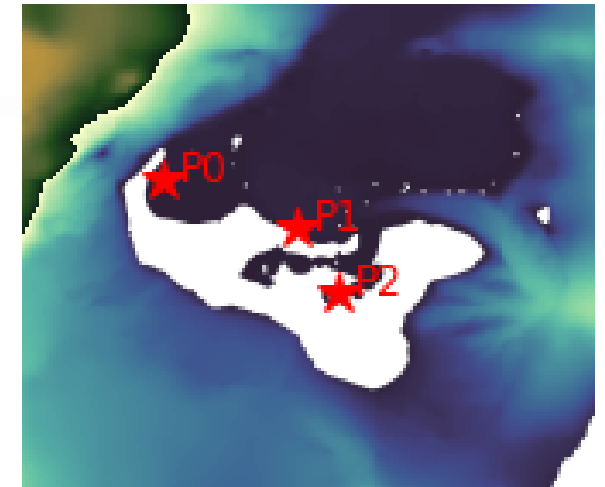
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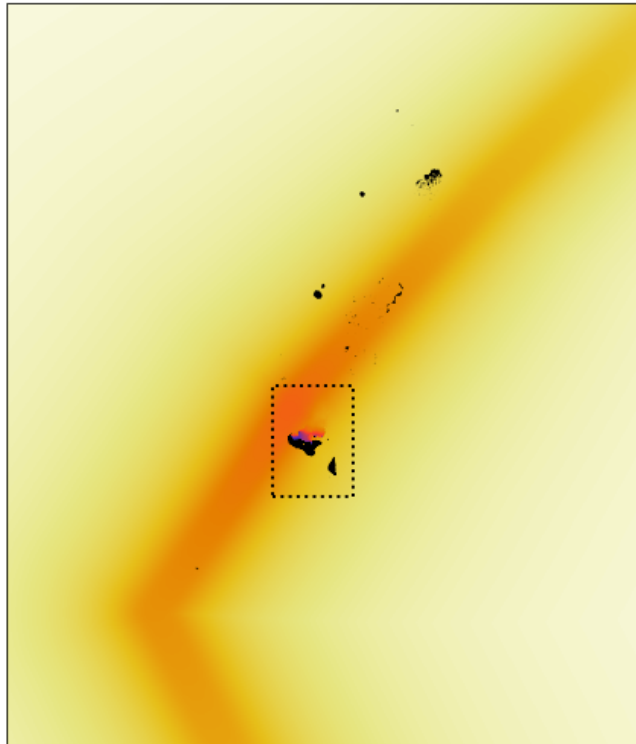
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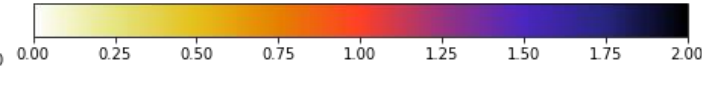
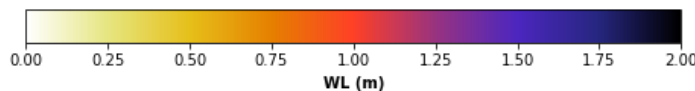
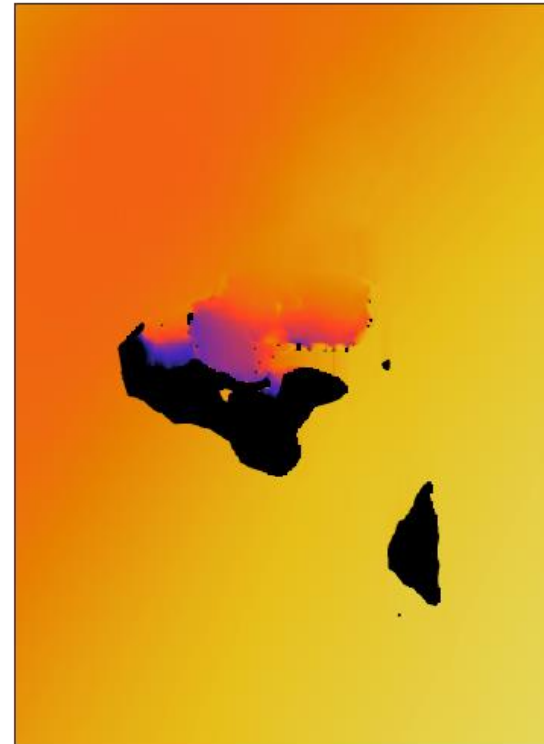
Reconstruction of Isaac 1982



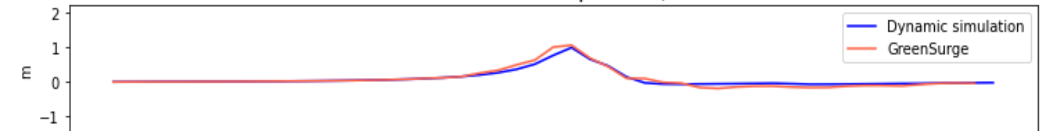
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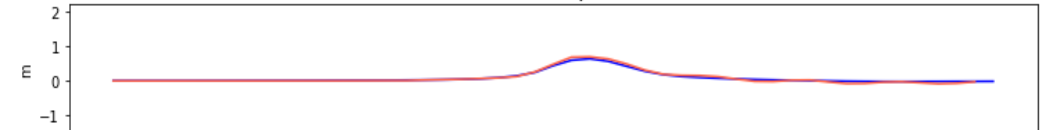
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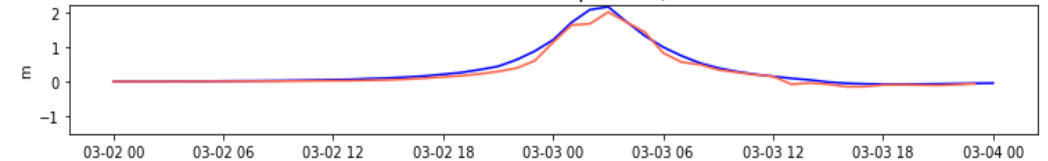
Timeseries comparison, P0



Timeseries comparison, P1



Timeseries comparison, P2



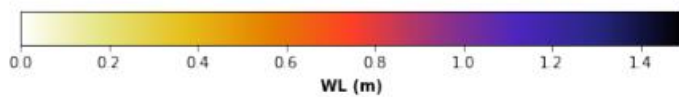
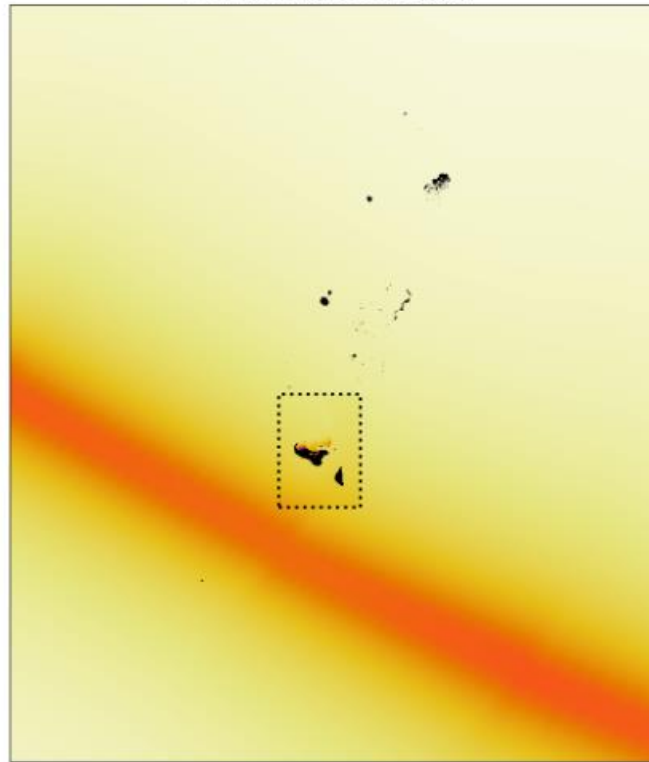
Validation. Tide gauge

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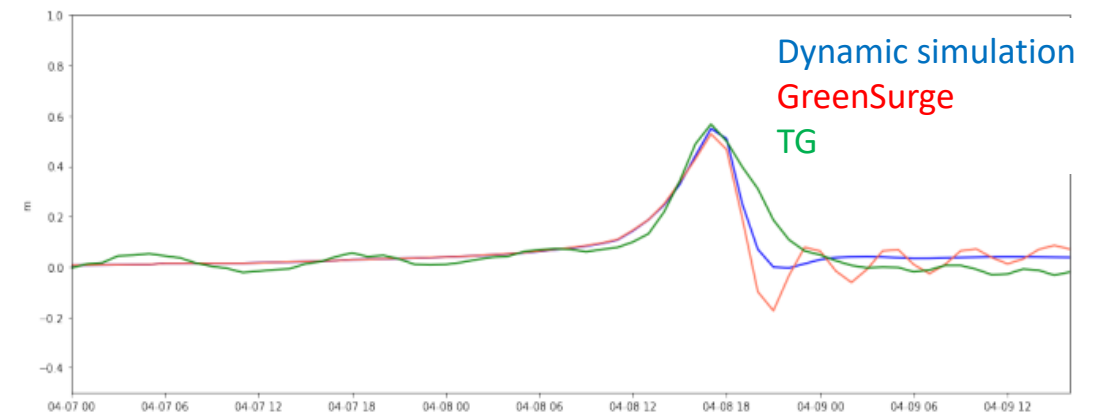
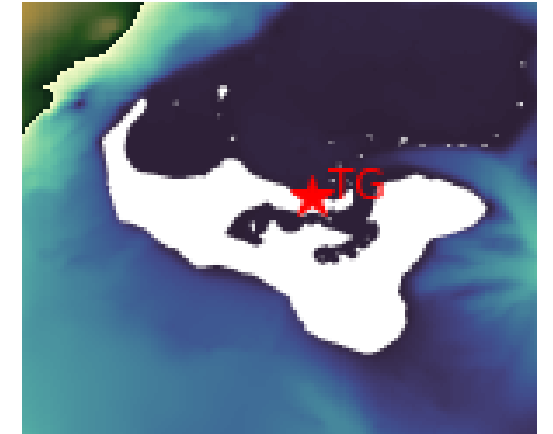
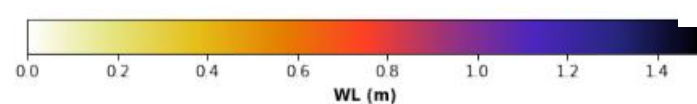
$$SS = IB + \text{WindSetup} - GS$$

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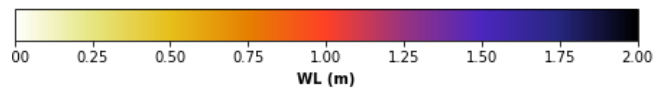
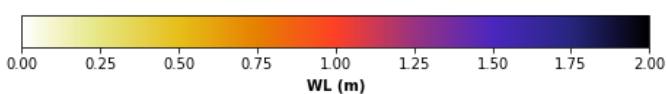
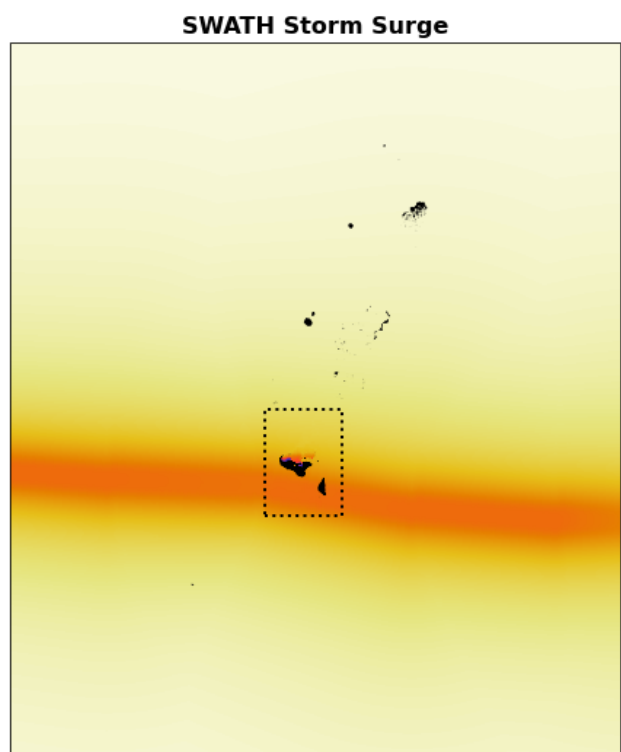
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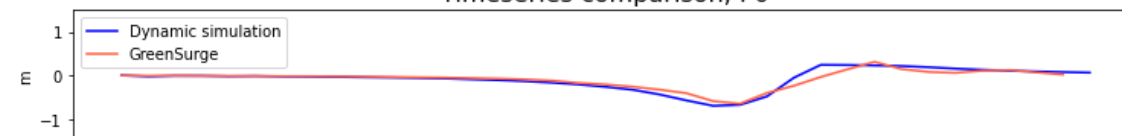
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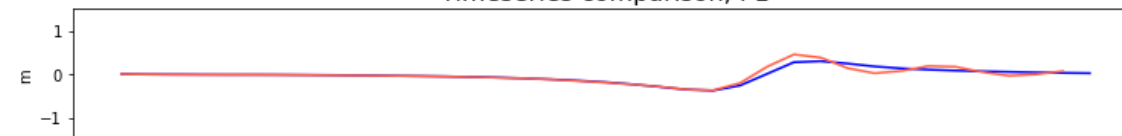
Reconstruction of Gita 2018



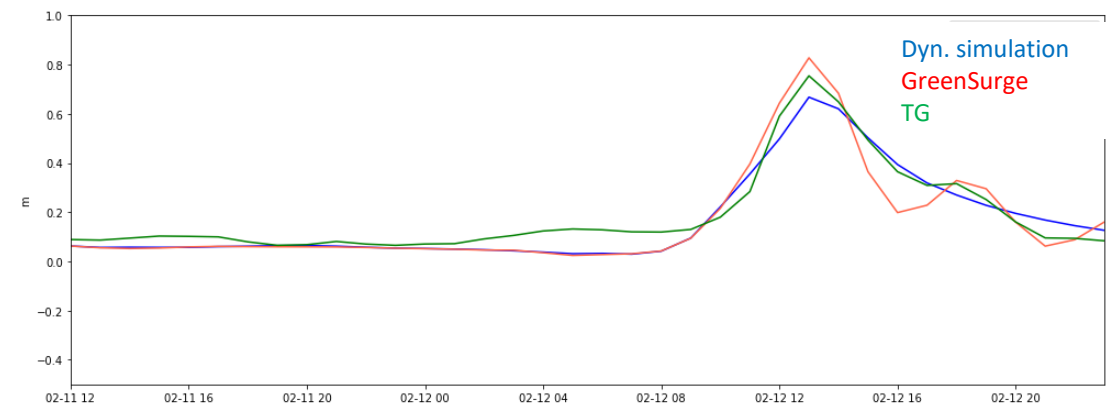
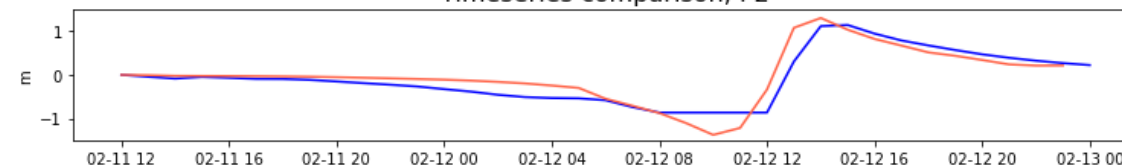
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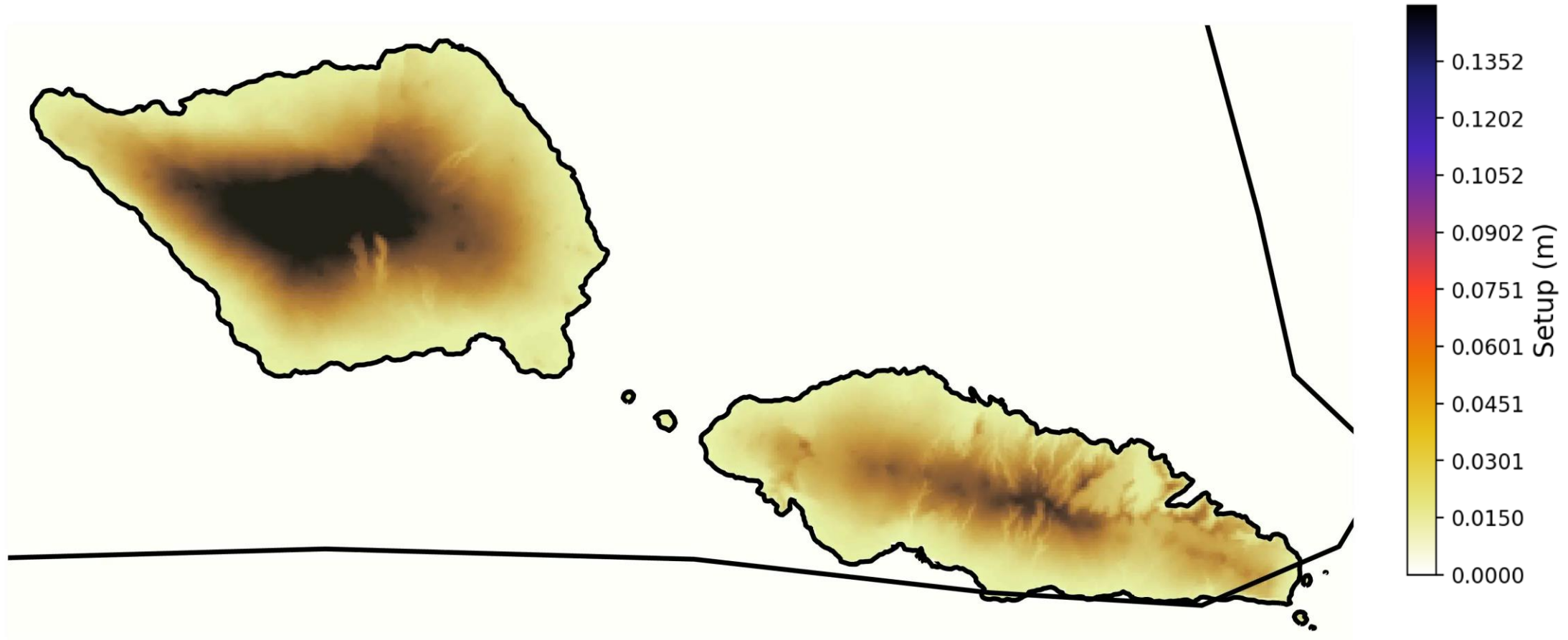
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TC Evan (2012). GreenSurge application.
Run in less than 1 min in one laptop



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