A Wind-Wave-Current Data Assimilation Scheme for the 3D-Real Time Mesoscale Analysis

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Project Goals and Objectives

To advance the science and technology of data assimilation of surface wind, sea wave, and surface ocean current in the 3D-RTMA.

- Data QC for new marine and ocean observations
- Regional MOM6 ocean model
- Field-alignment on background fields
- Background error covariance wind-wave modeling
- Data assimilation scheme for mesoscale windwave-current fields



Datasets for validation of 3DRTMA

 Increase the robustness of the data quality control system for marine and ocean variables-especially the High-Frequency Radar and SatelliteAltimetry data,



Surface Currents

- Data a collected since 2006
- Surface current products
- 2 km and 6 km resolution
- No operational QC algorithm
- Validation data ongoing
- Pioneer array
- ADCP and SOFAR drifting buoy

Satellite altimetry data vs. in situ surface winds

42°N

41°N

40°N

42°N

41°N





Mitsopoulos et al., 2023

Tasks: Data Quality Control of New Observations

- IODA Software
- IODA Software to develop forward operator



SOFAR Moored and Drifting Buoy Network: wind, waves, Hs, Precipitation.

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Objective 2. Surface ocean currents

- Stable version of RegMOM6 at 1/25th (4 km)
- Forcing: ERA-5 on the surface, Mercators' GLORYS for ocean open boundary conditions, NASA' TPXO for explicit tides.
- Period: 1993 to present.
- Yearly Perfect Restart
- All data is being post on THREDDS



Diagnosing consistency Wave-Currents



Impact of current field resolution and on H s



Diagnosing Data Impact

Significant Wave Height



Accumulated analysis increments over time. Analysis error reduction on each overpass.



HF-Radar vs. MOM6 currents

 Implement a field-alignment processing scheme for positional and amplitude error reduction in the background fields,



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3DRTMA vs RTMA Wind Speed





Coastal and Open Ocean Wind Analyses







Bias correction Methods

80-m wind timeseries in the HRRR

Cold





Wind Ramps Statistics





Future Work

- RegMOM6 to be ported to the UFS framework
- Workflow management to integrate new software
- Background Error Covariance of wind-wave
- Metrics for Consistency
- Determine suitable configuration of RegMOM6