



An overview of UW-CIMSS Tropical Cyclone Products

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ADT

The Advanced Dvorak Technique – Version 9.1 An objective algorithm advancing the Dvorak Technique

Tim Olander and Chris Velden



Overview



Motivation:

- Based on the Dvorak Technique (DT) but advanced beyond scope of original methodology.
- The ADT was developed to remove the inherent subjectivity of the DT due to user interpretation and experience.
- The first version of the ADT was released in 1998 and has been used operationally since that time.

Highlights:

- NHC routinely cites the ADT in public products when determining the intensity of a current storm.
- NHC explicitly used ADT to increase the maximum wind speed for Hurricane Michael (2018) from 135 to 140kts, making it a Category 5 hurricane.
- Available in real-time from CIMSS TC webpage.





Latest Algorithm Upgrades



- Primary ADT-V9.1 upgrades
 - Extratropical Transition intensity estimate adjustment
 - Analysis of **Sub-Tropical systems** with modifications to ADT logic
 - ARCHER (V2.8) objective algorithm for automated TC center position
 - SFC wind radii estimates (4 quadrants analysis, based on Knaff et al)
 - Extreme TC (CI=>7.0) intensity adjustments implemented
 - Modifications to allow for more frequent temporal image sampling



Processing Overview



- ADT will derive intensity estimate based on objectively determined scene type (Raw T#)
- Will apply DT constraint rules to limit strengthening/weakening over time (Final T#)
- **Applies 3-hour time weighted averaging scheme to smooth out fluctuations**
- Final DT weakening rules applied as storm weakens (CI#)

Examples of ADT Eye Region Scene Types







Central Dense Overcast





Examples of ADT Cloud Region Scene Types



Processing Overview



• ADT uses regression equations (shown to right) to derive intensity for EYE and Cloud/CDO scene types. This is a significant departure from original DT!

 ADT still utilizes original DT estimate analysis methodology for Curved Band and Shear scene types. These need to be investigated in the future! Eye Scenes

Atlantic : Intensity = $1.10 - 0.070^{*}T_{cloud} + 0.011^{*}\Delta T - 0.015^{*}Sym_{cloud}$

Cloud/CDO Scenes (excluding shear and curved band)

Atlantic : Intensity = $2.60 - 0.020^{*}T_{cloud} + 0.002^{*}R_{cdo} - 0.030^{*}Sym_{cloud}$





2019 Performance Statistics



- **2019 Atlantic and E. Pacific results** (ADT within 30 minutes of Best Track)
 - Atlantic NHC Best Track within +/- 3 hours of aircraft reconnaissance
 - +/- Bias equals Over/Underestimate of ADT versus Best Track

N Atlantic	2 – 99	total	matches
	bias	aae	stdv
CI#	-0.17	0.48	0.58
Wind(kts)	-3.91	10.94	13.53
MSLP(mb)	-1.22	8.85	8.77



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	bias	aae	stdv
CI#	0.10	0.40	0.50
Wind(kts)	2.32	7.39	9.74
MSLP(mb)	-2.75	5.68	7.36

E/C Pacific - 297 total matches





2019-2021 Performance Statistics



What TC intensity does the ADT underpredict the most?



Category 5 TCs have the most negative Bias in the ADT. The ADT also generally underpredicts Category 1 and 2 TCs.

ADT



ADT Homepage



Where to find the ADT... Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies Space Science and Engineering Center / University of Wisconsin-Madison

Tropical Cyclones ... A Satellite Perspective CIMSS TC Webpage Product Archive

DATA STATUS (as of 17 Feb 2023 / 16:10UTC) : All products are currently available. TC Image Gallery Who We Are Our Research Archive FAQ Links Contact Us

> Current Time : 17 February 2023 / 16:16:18UTC Storm Coverage (Information)

Storm Coverage (mol

Mouse over and click on individual storm symbol(s) for specific "TCTrak" storm coverage product window

 CIMSS TC Intensity, Structure, and Positioning Products "Quick Links"

 Intensity: ADT

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Advanced Dvorak Technique (ADT) ADT Homepage



Current Intensity Analysis History File Listing Threshold All Basins = 12.0UW - CIMSS ADVANCED DVORAK TECHNIQUE **ARCHER Information** ADT-Version 9.1 Tropical Cyclone Intensity Algorithm **PMW Information** ----- Current Analysis -----Wind Radii Estimates Date : 17 FEB 2023 Time : 150000 UTC (based on Knaff et al. 2016) Lat : 15:38:59 S Lon : 73:37:12 E R34 R50 R64 (naut.mi.) CI# /Pressure/ Vmax NE 95.0 50.0 25.0 6.3 / 940.3mb/122.2kt 35.0 SE 120.0 60.0 Final T# Adj T# Raw T# SW 60.0 35.0 120.0 6.1 5.9 5.9 NW 95.0 50.0 25.0 Estimated radius of max. wind based on IR :N/A km Parameters Used Center Temp : +17.6C Cloud Region Temp : -64.7C RMW derived from Climatology Scene Type : EYE TC current intensity from ADT = 122.2 (kts) TC forward speed from Forecast Interpolation = 11.6 (kts) Subtropical Adjustment : OFF TC heading from Forecast Interpolation = 262.3 (deg) Historical listing of wind radii values Extratropical Adjustment : OFF Timeline plots of Wind Radii : 34kt 50kt 64kt Positioning Method : ARCHER POSITIONING Satellite Imagery Time Series Ocean Basin : INDIAN UW-CINES ADT Teopical Cyclone Intensity Setimate Dvorak CI > MSLP Conversion Used : CKZ Method Legend : - Addits -- Cla PERCE Tno/CI Rules : Constraint Limits : NO LIMIT Weakening Flag : ON Rapid Dissipation Flag : FLAG C/K/Z MSLP Estimate Inputs : - Average 34 knot radii : 77nmi - Environmental MSLP : 1008mb Satellite Name : MSG2 3. 14 00 12 Satellite Viewing Angle : 37.0 degrees ------HTML5 Movie



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AiDT

The Advanced (Al-enhanced) Dvorak Technique Improving the ADT using Machine Learning

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- The Advanced Dvorak Technique (ADT) already objectively interrogates satellite imagery and stores many environmental and analysis parameters in storm history files
 - ADT accounts for satellite data and ocean basin differences through considerable research efforts developed over 20+ years of operational use
- Can a DL model using ADT history file parameters be derived to improve the performance of the algorithm, especially to aid in situations were the ADT can struggle?
 - Many different models could be investigated and would be computationally cheap to derive since we are only dealing with data values and not satellite imagery directly



Advanced (AI-enhanced) Dvorak Technique (AiDT)

AiDT Feature Values



ADT history file parameters served as model input

AiDT Features (ADT history file parameters)					
Raw T#	Sin of Longitude Cloud Symmetry				
Adjusted Raw T#	Cos of Longitude	Curved Band Value			
Final T#	Viewing Angle	Curved Band Amount			
CI#	Eye FFT	C/W Temperature Distance			
Eye Temperature	Cloud FFT	PMW Eye Score			
Cloud Temperature	Eye Scene ID value	Extratropical Flag			
C/W Temperature	Cloud Scene ID value	Subtropical Flag			
Latitude	Eye StdDev	Eye Size (2/eye size)			
	Shear Distance	CDO Size			

C/W: "Coldest-Warmest"PMW: "Passive Microwave"CDO: "Central Dense Overcast"FFT: "Fast Fourier Transform"



Advanced (AI-enhanced) Dvorak Technique (AiDT) Final AiDT Model



• Final Model

- Fully-connected Deep Neural Network (DNN)
- Regression-based loss function
- 26 input ADT History File Features
- One Hidden (Dense) layer with 32 neurons
- One Output layer neuron representing a single continuous wind speed estimate value
- A 3-hour time weighted averaging scheme is implemented to dampen out small fluctuations between consecutive intensity estimates
 - Time averaging reduces error by about 0.3kt





2017 Statistical Results



• 2017 Regression-base network Independent Test Data Set

- Table below shows statistical comparisons using global-derived model maximum sustained wind estimates (MSW) for each specific basin and combined global "All Basins" set
 - ADT Advanced Dvorak Technique Version 9.0
 - AiDT-R AiDT (unaveraged)
 - AiDT AiDT (3-hour time-weighted average)
 - +/- Bias equals MSW over/underestimate versus Best Track values (knots)

	Atlantic			East Pacific			West Pacific		
Network	Bias	MAE	RMSE	Bias	MAE	RMSE	Bias	MAE	RMSE
ADT	-0.91	9.50	12.33	-0.15	7.38	9.44	-1.87	8.47	10.88
AiDT-R	0.49	6.89	8.76	-0.13	5.50	7.04	-0.60	6.02	7.56
AiDT	0.33	6.59	8.44	-0.13	5.30	6.77	-0.86	5.89	7.35
# records	5188	5188	5188	3677	3677	3677	5475	5475	5475
		-	-		-	-	-	-	
	South Pacific			North Indian			All Basins		
Network	Bias	MAE	RMSE	Bias	MAE	RMSE	Bias	MAE	RMSE
ADT	2.71	8.43	10.70	5.03	7.51	9.96	-0.13	8.50	10.98
AiDT-R	0.80	6.52	8.29	1.50	5.90	8.15	-0.18	6.26	7.98
AiDT	-0.98	6.27	7.99	1.04	5.33	7.49	-0.35	6.03	7.70
# records	3766	3766	3766	566	566	566	18672	18672	18672



Advanced (AI-enhanced) Dvorak Technique (AiDT) 2017 Storm Examples



- 2017 North Atlantic
 - 09L (Harvey)
 - 12L (Jose)
 - 15L (Maria)
 - 17L (Ophelia)
 - Note impact of AiDT during formation and dissipation stages
 - BLUE ADT
 - RED AiDT
 - BLACK NHC Best Track





ADT Scene Type Analysis



- AiDT impacts on ADT performance by Scene Type
 - 2017 Independent data set
 - Using AiDT Regression-based global model
 - AiDT reduces error most for ADT estimates using **Curved Band and Shear** scene types as well as also significantly reducing biases, especially for Shear estimates
 - Curved Band and Shear scenes are least studied scene types in ADT algorithm
 - +/- Bias equals MSW over/underestimate versus Best Track values (knots)

		ADT			AiDT		
ADT	Sample						
Scene Type	Size	Bias	MAE	RMSE	Bias	MAE	RMSE
Eye	2590	0.10	8.66	11.03	-1.43	6.55	8.30
CDO	7246	2.20	8.92	11.18	-0.67	6.53	8.30
Curved Band	5670	-1.50	8.54	11.17	0.57	5.75	7.27
Shear	3166	-3.21	7.36	10.12	-0.41	4.95	6.35



2019-2021 Performance Statistics



What TC intensity is AiDT more skillful than the ADT?



All of them. The RMSE for AiDT is lower or similar to the ADT for all TC intensities.



Advanced (AI-enhanced) Dvorak Technique (AiDT) AiDT Homepage



Where to find the AiDT...





https://tropic.ssec.wisc.edu/real-time/adt/AiDT/aidt.html



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DeepMicroIRNet and DeepIRNet TC intensity estimators A convolutional neural network to estimate TC intensity

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Overview



- Can we use another method of machine learning, called convolutional neural networks, to estimate current TC intensity?
- Why 2 models?
 - D-MINT which uses MW imagery in addition to IR imagery
 - MW imagery is not always available
 - MW imagery has a lag, it can take 1-3 hours for it to be available.
 - D-PRINT is constantly available since it only uses IR imagery and only has a 30 minute lag.



Overview







D-MINT and D-PRINT *Example*







2019-2021 Statistical Results





D-MINT is more skillful than D-PRINT, but has a lower temporal resolution. D-MINT and D-PRINT are more skillful than ADT or AiDT. They have a less negative bias and lower RMSE.



Highlights



JTWC Discussion on TC 08S: THE INITIAL INTENSITY MEANWHILE IS ASSESSED WITH LOW CONFIDENCE, BELOW THE MAJORITY OF THE OBJECTIVE AND SUBJECTIVE DVORAK CURRENT INTENSITY ESTIMATES, HEDGED TOWARDS RECENT D-PRINT AND D-MINT ESTIMATES WHICH SUBJECTIVELY APPEAR TO BE MORE REPRESENTATIVE.

JTWC Discussion on TC 11S: THE INITIAL INTENSITY IS ASSESSED WITH HIGH CONFIDENCE BASED ON A BLEND OF SUBJECTIVE AND OBJECTIVE AGENCY DVORAK CURRENT INTENSITY ESTIMATES, HEDGED CLOSE TO THE CIMSS D-MINT AND D-PRINT INTENSITY ESTIMATES.



SHAP Values



What features in satellite imagery indicate a strong TC?



SHAP Values



What features in satellite imagery indicate a strong TC? SHAP values indicate what AI identifies.





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Where to find D-MINT and D-PRINT...



D-MINT: https://tropic.ssec.wisc.edu/real-time/dmn4/

D-PRINT: https://tropic.ssec.wisc.edu/real-time/open-aiir/



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SATCON

CIMSS SATellite CONsensus algorithm A consensus approach to estimating tropical cyclone intensity from meteorological satellites

Derrick Herndon and Chris Velden


Overview



- In order to account for storms with different structures an "all the above" approach is needed.
- Multiple satellite scanning strategies (Geo/LEO)
- Multiple channels to measure the various TC features that are related to intensity. (subjective/objective)



Geostationary (G-16/G-18/H9)

- Intensity
- Position
- Structure



MW Imager (AMSR2, GMI, SSMIS)

- Position
- Structure



MW Sounder (AMSU, SSMIS, ATMS)

- Intensity
- Structure



Overview



Channel 10

Channel 9

Channel 8

Channel 7

- **Estimating TC Intensity from MW Sounders**
- **Derive Tb anomalies** from MW temperature sounders using multiple channels to view multiple levels within the TC
- Used since launch of **AMSU in 1998**





Overview



- Estimating TC Intensity from MW Sounders Algorithm General Approach
- Initial estimate of TC center
 - Warning agency forecast
 - ARCHER
- Locate warmest pixel
 - Estimate environmental temperature
 - Filter out unrepresentative temps
- Calculate temperature anomaly
- Use regressions for each channel to estimate pressure anomaly
- Use estimate of eye size to correct initial pressure anomaly estimate
- Estimate Vmax using pressure anomaly, latitude, storm size, Tb gradient and motion



201517W ATSANI



Overview



- Current SATCON members
 - LEO microwave sounder based
 - AMSU (Channels 6-8 and 16)
 - NOAA-15,-16,-18,-19 (N-16 AMSU-A failure 2014)
 - Metop A-B-C (Metop-A Channel 7 failure 2008)
 - **SSMIS** (Channels 3-5 and 17)
 - F16-F17
 - CIMSS ATMS (Channels 7-9)
 - SNPP/N-20
 - **CIRA ATMS** (Channels 1-22)
 - Only used for eye >40km
 - GEO IR imager based
 - ADT



Overview



CIMSS TROPICAL CYCLONE INTENSITY CONSENSUS FOR IAN (09L) 2022

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CURRENT ESTIMATE Date (mmddhhmm): 09301304 SATCON: MSLP = 983 hPa MSW = 64 knots SATCON Member Consensus: 65.0 knots Pressure -> Wind Using SATCON MSLP: 60 knots Distance to Outer Closed Isobar Used is 210 nm Eye Size Correction Used is 0 knots Source: NA

Member Estimates

ADT: 985 hPa 62.32 knots Scene: CDO Date: SEP301550 CIMSS AMSU: 980 hPa 69 knots Bias Corr: 0 (MW) Date: 09301304 ATMS: 935.7 hPa 118.4 knots Date: 09280714 SSMIS: 935.7 hPa 118.4 knots Date: 09280714 CIRA ATMS: 994 hPa 46 knots Date:



Current SATCON estimate

SATCON HISTORY FILE for 2022 09L IAN

SATCON MSW plot including pressure-wind contribution



Example

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SATCON example for Vmax – Hurricane Fiona (2022)



SATellite CONsensus (SATCON) Example





SATCON example for MSLP – Hurricane Fiona (2022)



SATellite CONsensus (SATCON) Example





Hurricane Maria 2017. SATCON performance during rapid intensification



Example





CIMSS SATCON for Hurricane Zeta (2020)



SATellite CONsensus (SATCON) 2019-2021 Statistical Results





SATCON is the most skillful than for TC intensity > 95 kts. It underestimates strong TCs the least.

SATCON has the overestimates weak TCs (< 45 kts).



Future Directions



• Possible future members of the CIMSS SATCON

- New Members
 - "D-MINT" Deep Learning Model
 - Lower RMSE overall
 - More Skillful for steady TCs (-10kt < 12h intensity change < 10 kts) but less skillful for weakening and intensifying TCs.
 - CIMSS AiDT Deep Learning Model
 - Could balance overestimation of steady TCs?





Exercise: TC Sam (2021)





Do you expect the official TC intensity to be higher or lower than SATCON?



Do you expect the official TC intensity to be higher or lower than SATCON?



Exercise: TC Sam (2021)







Do you expect the official TC intensity to be higher or lower than SATCON?

Higher

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Higher

SATCON leaning towards ATMS in these 2 examples. Hopefully adding D-MINT can provide additional balance to SATCON



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*** Data status: No current issues.

Where to find SATCON...



UW-CIMSS SATCON INTENSITY ESTIMATES

d	2022 Intensity Estimates								
>	Atlantic 01L ALEX 02L BONNIE 03L COLIN 05L DANIELLE 06L EARL 07L FIONA 08L GASTON 09L LAN 10L HERMINE 11L 12L 13L JULIA 14L KARL 15L LISA 16L MARTIN 17L NICOLE	East Pacific 01E AGATHA 02E BLAS 03E CELIA 04E BONNIE 05E DARBY 06E ESTELLE 07E FRANK 09E GEORGETTE 09E HOWARD 10E 11E JAVIER 12E KAY 13E LESTER 14E MADELINE 15E 16E ORLENE 15E 16E DALENE	<u>Central Pacific</u>						
	West Pacific	<u>Indian Ocean</u>	Southern Hemisphere						
	01W 02W MALAKAS 04W MEGI 04W CHABA 05W AERE 06W SONGDA 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 07W TRASES 12W MALANDOL 12W HINNAMNOR 12W HORMADOL 15W MERBOK 16W NANMADOL 17W 18W NORU 19W 20W ROKE 21W 22W SONCA 23W NESST 24W HAITANG 25W 26W NALGAE 27W 28W 20W PAKHAR	01B 02B 03A 04B 05B STIRANG 06B MANDOUS 07A	01S 02S ASHLEY 03S BALITA 04S 05S DARIAN 06S 07P HALE 08S CHENESO 09P INENE 10P 11S FREDDY 12P GABRIELLE 13S DINGANI						

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SATCON HISTORY FILE for 2022 09L IAN

SATCON MSW plot including pressure-wind contribution





Comparison of CIMSS Current Intensity Metrics









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AI-RI

Al-Rapid Intensification A convolutional neutral network to calculate the probability of TC rapid intensification

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- Machine learning is the new "buzzword" and has been shown to be very skillful at estimating current TC intensity.
- Many studies have indicated **convection** is important to RI.
 - However, convection is hard to put into, say, a SHIPS parameter.
- Can we use a convolutional neural network to "see" RI precursors?



AI-RI Overview





AI-RI is an ensemble of output from 5 different CNNs with the same configuration

IR differencing data: 82 x 82 grid at 4km resolution, normalized.3 convolution and pooling layers.

Probability of RI from 0-1





2019-2020 Statistical Results





AI-RI is more skillful than SHIPS Consensus for 25-, 30-, and 35-kt RI thresholds.

Including **AI-RI in the SHIPS Consensus average** is more skillful than **SHIPS Consensus** for all 12h and 24h RI. **AI-RI** is more skillful than **DTOPS** for 7 RI thresholds.









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ARCHER

Automated Rotational Center Hurricane Eye Retrieval A method for determining the center of tropical cyclones

Tony Wimmers and Chris Velden







- Current ARCHER members
 - LEO microwave sounder based
 - **GMI** (37 GHz and 85-92 GHz)
 - **SSMIS** (85-92 GHz)
 - F16-F18
 - AMSR2 (37 GHz and 85-92 GHz)
 - Scatterometers
 - Metop-B (ASCAT)









- Spiral Score
 - measure of how well the gradients in the image align with a spiral vector field.
- Ring Score
 - measures the best fit of the gradients of an inner eyewall (if exists) to a circular shape.
- Distance Penalty
 - very minor effect prevents the maximum gridded score from gravitating toward the edges of the product domain.
- Combined Score Grid
 - weighted sum of the spiral score grid, ring score grid, and distance penalty grid. The ARCHER center-fix is the the point on that grid with the maximum value.







Hurricane Dorian (2019) center reformation. Notice the distance between the FCST center and ARCHER.



Credit: Phillippe Papin (Twitter)

















Where would you put the TC center?









Where would you put the TC center?

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85-92 GHz (H) Brightness temperature, K







Where would you put the TC center?







Where would you put the TC center?









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Where to find ARCHER...



ARCHER (Automated Eye	Rotational Center I Retrieval)	Hurricane	Tropical Cyclon							
M-PERC Page	Product Description Ar	chive Directory								
Current ti	me: Tue, 21 Feb 2023 18:57	:57 GMT								
<u>Ac</u> <u>Atlantic</u>	Active Tropical Cyclones Atlantic East Pacific									
<u>West Pacific</u>	<u>Australia/Fiji Region</u>	Indian Oo Cyclone Fre	<u>Cean</u> eddy							

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ARCHER Homepage





ARCHER center locations every 3 hours compared to operational track.

Larger circle = less certain on center.

-- Link to M-PERC page --

<u>Geo IR</u>	<u>85-92GHz</u>	Date/Time_(UTC)	Source	Sensor	<u>Vmax(kts)</u>	ARCHER Lat	Lon	<u>Geo-ref Lat</u>	Lon	50% cert. rad.	95% cert. rad.	<u>Eye diam (deg)</u>	<u>% cert. of</u> <u>eye</u>
		<u>20201118 12:35:18</u> * 20201118 12:35:18	GMI GMI	85-92GHz 37GHz	25.0 25.0	13.48 ***	-89.10 ***	13.51 ***	-88.97 ***	0.59 ***	1.67 ***	0.90 0.50	0.3 ***
2		20201118 09:49:25 20201118 07:30:46 20201118 07:30:46	SSMIS-16 AMSR2 AMSR2	85-92GHz 85-92GHz 37GHz	27.4 30.0 30.0	*** ***	*** ***	*** ***	*** ***	***	*** ***	3.00 0.70 0.50	*** ***
2		<u>20201117 19:16:35</u> 20201117 19:16:35 *	AMSR2 AMSR2	85-92GHz 37GHz	52.9 52.9	13.85 13.50	-85.71 -86.17	13.85 13.50	-85.98 -86.44	0.30 0.18	0.86 0.52	0.20 1.00	13.6 ***
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Entries in the table are grouped in three-hour windows

Bolded: ARCHER track fix is taken for the three-hour window.

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M-PERC

Microwave-based Probability of Eyewall Replacement Cycle

A method for determining the onset of ERCs

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M-PERC Overview



• Uses 89GHz ring score from ARCHER plotted in Hovmöller diagram to show evolution of features.



• ARCHER ring score plotted versus time shows a branching/merging patter during ERCs.



Guidance to forecasters:

- Increase attention when probabilities exceed 25%.
- Probabilities > **70%** likely will result in weakening
- Average lead time to change in intensity trend ~ 10 hours

Model is sensitive to Vmax.

- Probabilities only output for Vmax > 65 knots.
- Uncertainty of 10 knots in Vmax results in ~ 10% change in M-PERC
- Compared to Climo probability of 13% (Kossin and Sitkowski 2009) Brier Skill Score for Atl-trained model 0.40. (1 is perfect) BSS for Epac/Cpac model 0.41 (using subset of Atl predictors)









SITKOWS

M-PERC Overview



DECEMBER 2011



M-PERC Overview



TC intensity change/ERC length for ERC events binned by intensity category- ATL Moving beyond the ERC "weakening" paradigm

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- How can forecasters adjust intensity forecasts based on M-PERC?
- Cat 1-2 ERCs are faster and result in less weakening or none at all (a pause in RI)
- Cat 4-5 ERCs take longer and result in more weakening. TCs may not return to previous intensity (Lifetime Maximum Intensity occurs prior to ERC)



Time relative to ERC inflection

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M-PERC Overview

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Types of ERC Events

Fast Evolving: early events with lower probability that has

less impact on Vmax.



Higher Probability: Larger impact on Vmax. More likely

to cause weakening.













Would you predict an ERC is going to occur?



M-PERC Exercise





Would you predict an ERC is going to occur? Yes.

Secondary eyewall in the first image. Equal Magnitude Eyewall Rings in the second image. M-PERC probabilities are high.





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