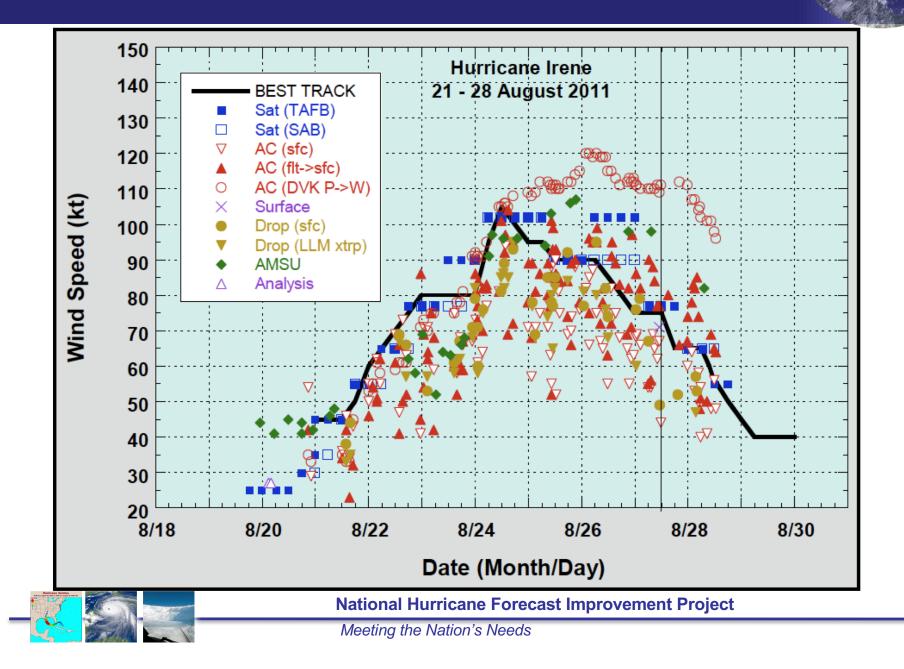
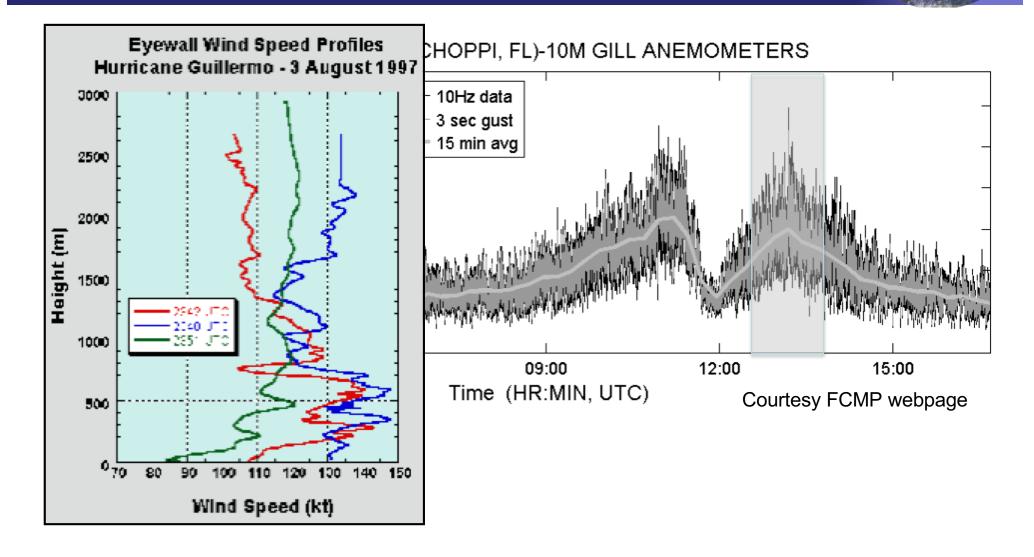
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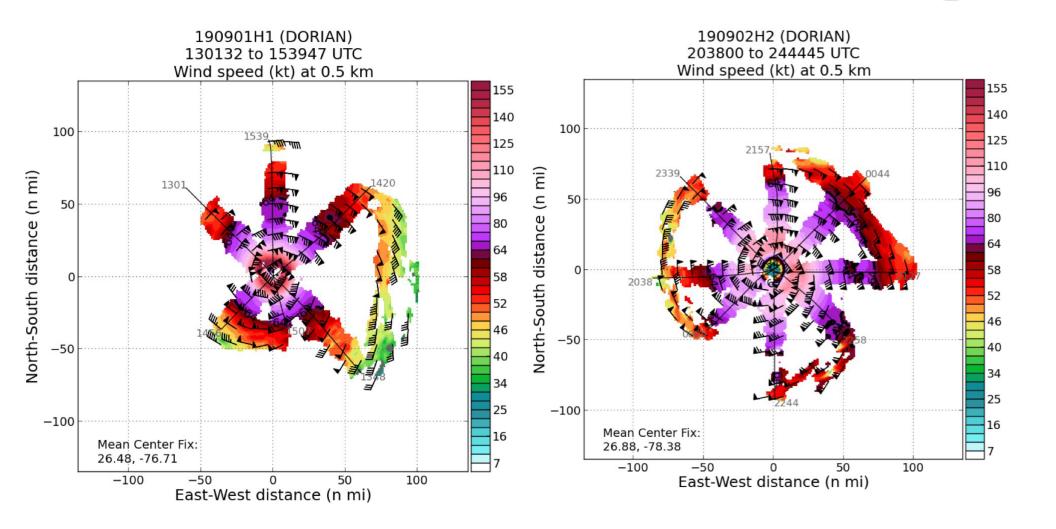
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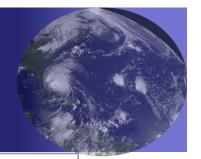


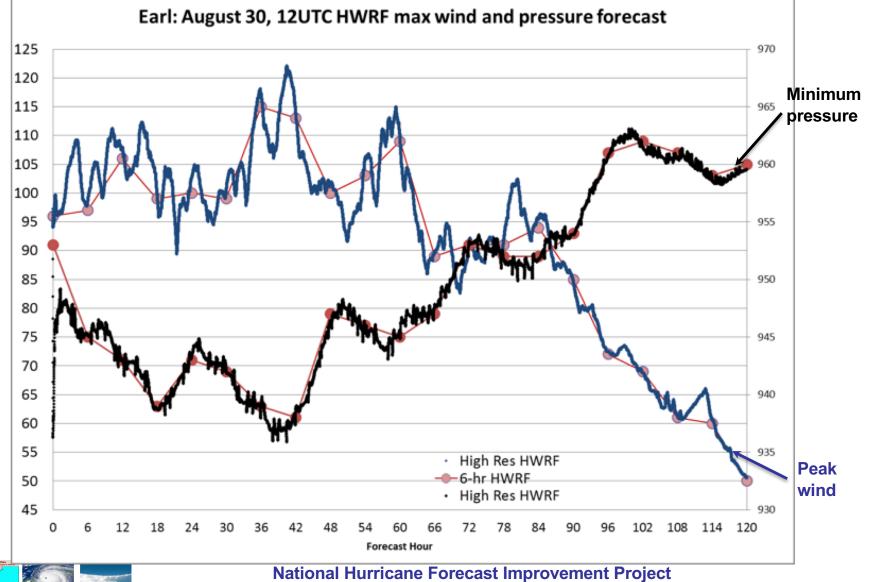


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# Model Reality



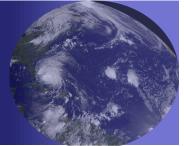


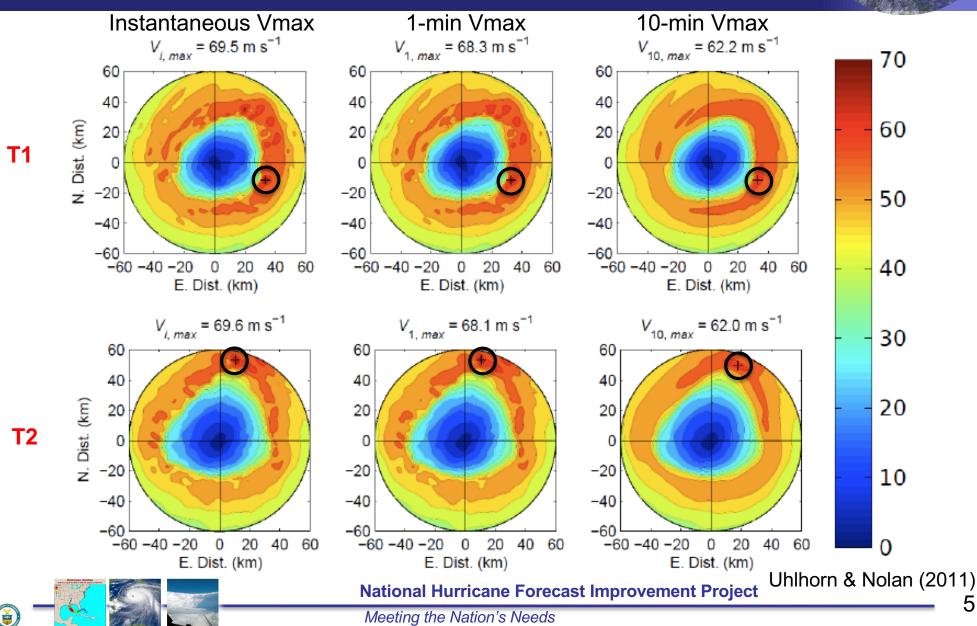
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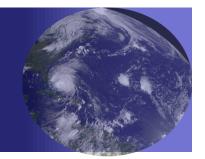
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## Model Reality





# Simple Model



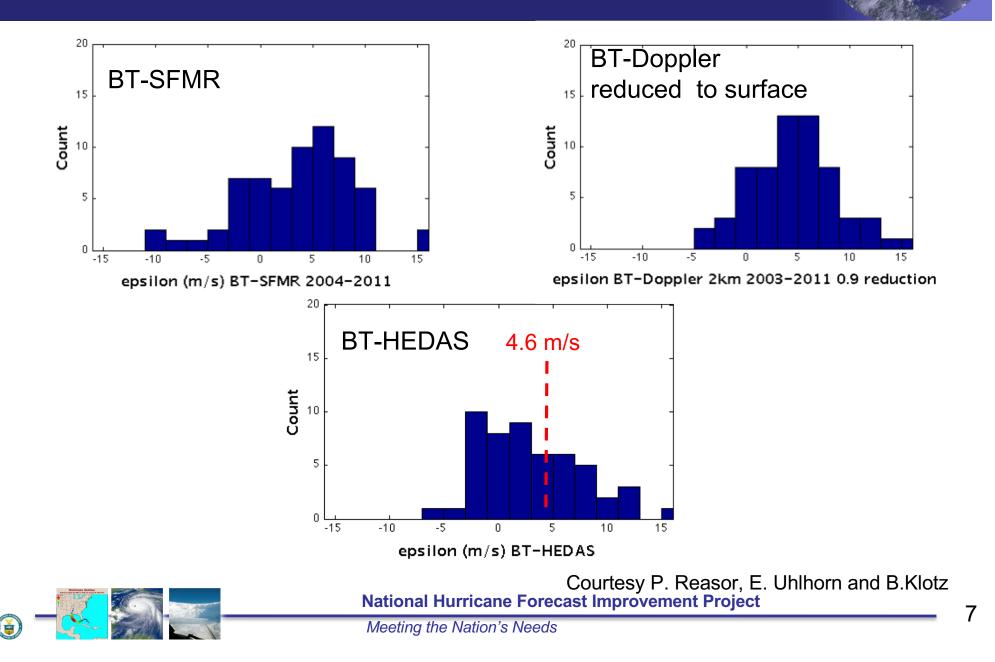
• In storm centered coordinates  $V_{max}(r, z)$  is defined

 $V \max_{\theta} [V(\theta, rmw, 10m)] = V_0(r, z) + V_1(r, z) + \varepsilon$  $\varepsilon = V_{\max} (10m) - \alpha [V_0(rmw, z) + V_1(rmw, z)]$ 

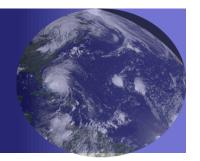
• *ɛ* is a stochastic quantity with variance within observation uncertainty



# Uncertainty ( $\varepsilon$ )



## Conclusions



- PDFs suggest  $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}$  is stochastic and  $V_{max}$  can be treated statistically consisting of low-wavenumber plus residual
- Residual standard deviation <V<sub>max</sub> observation error
- Residual can be interpreted as maximum  $V_{\text{max}}\,\text{error}$ 
  - PDF shows  $V_{max}$  is represented in analyses, and is accurate to within observation error of ~4.6 m s^{-1}
- Results suggest that **if** low-wavenumber amplitudes and RMW are predictable,  $V_{max}$  should be predictable within observation uncertainty
- E is likely predictability limit for 1-min sustained wind

