

Welcome to the 2013 Warn-on-Forecast and High Impact Weather Workshop!



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Agenda for Wednesday

**Session 1: Warn-on-Forecast Overview and
Status Reports**

Lunch

**Session 2: GOES-R Status and Applications
High Impact Weather Warnings**

Agenda for Thursday

Session 3: WoF and Decision Support Services

Wrap-up Discussion

End by 12 pm

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NSSL's WoF Project

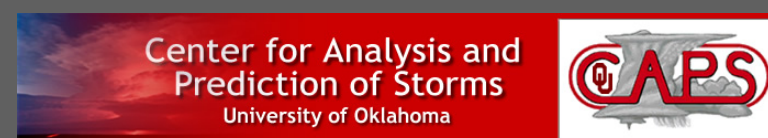
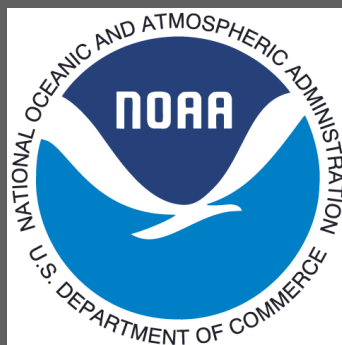
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Thanks to
Warn-on-Forecast partners
for their hard work and dedication!



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Talk Outline

- What do we mean by Warn on Forecast?
- Evolution of the WoF vision?
- Highlights of NSSL WoF Activities for 2012

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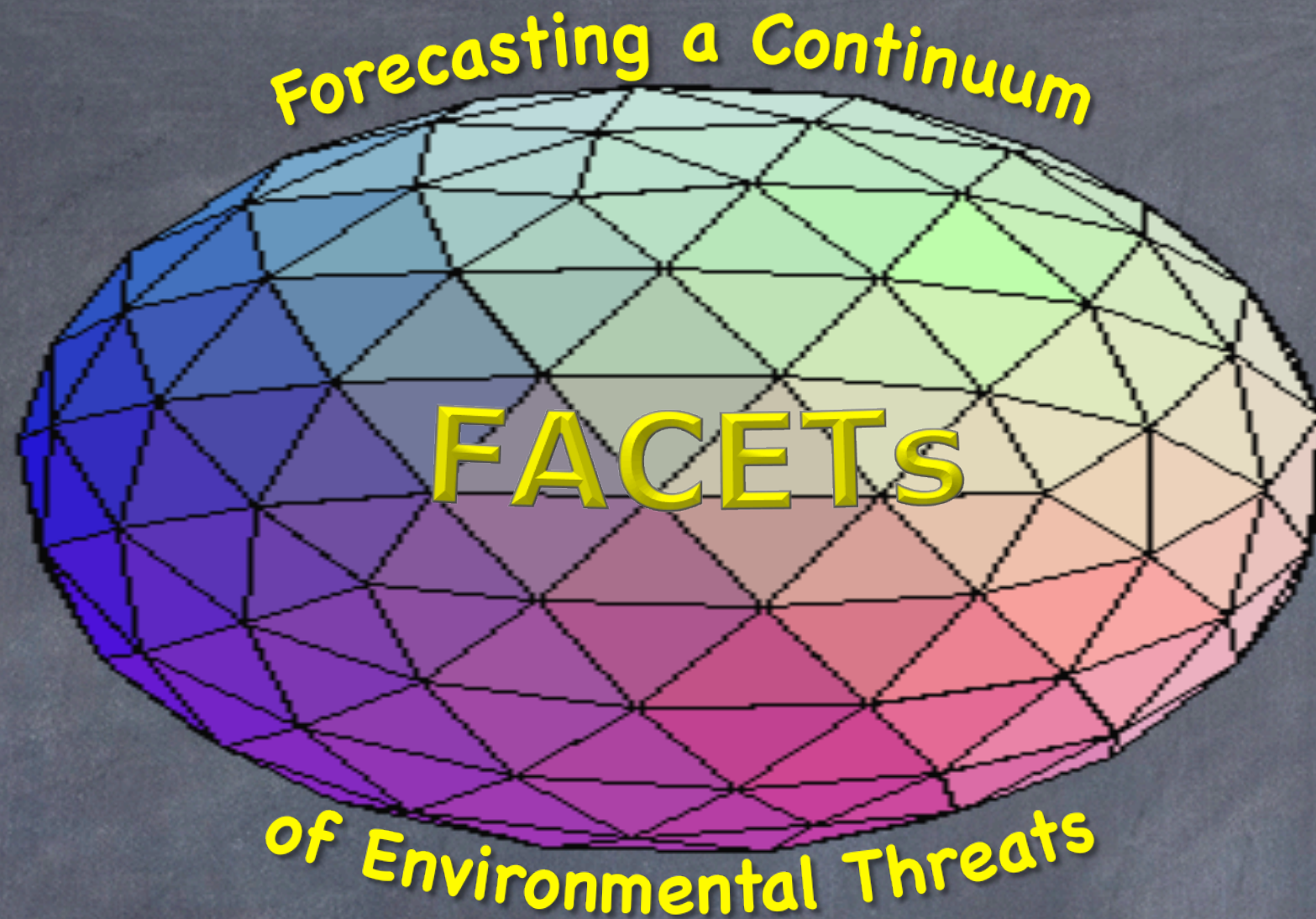
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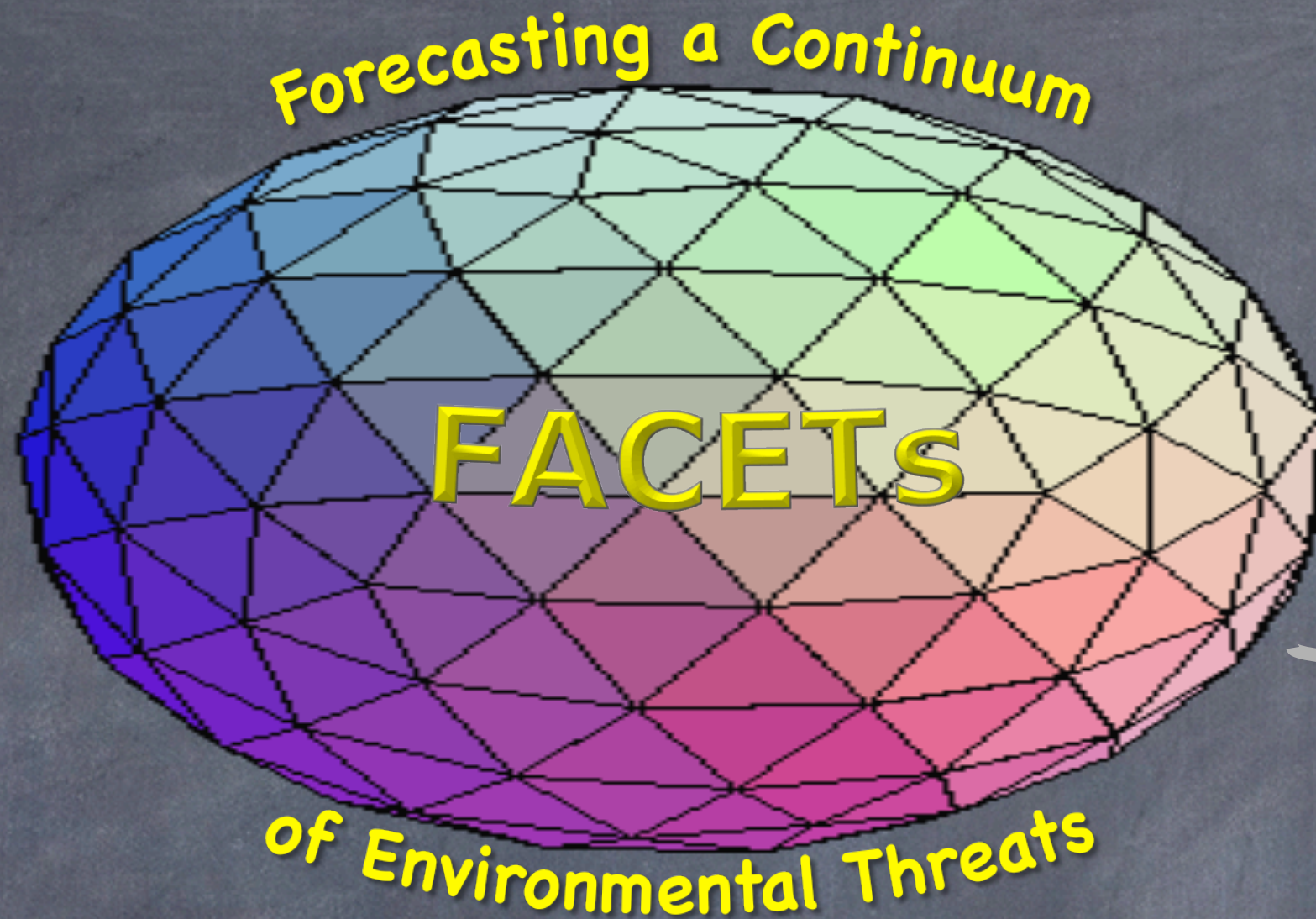
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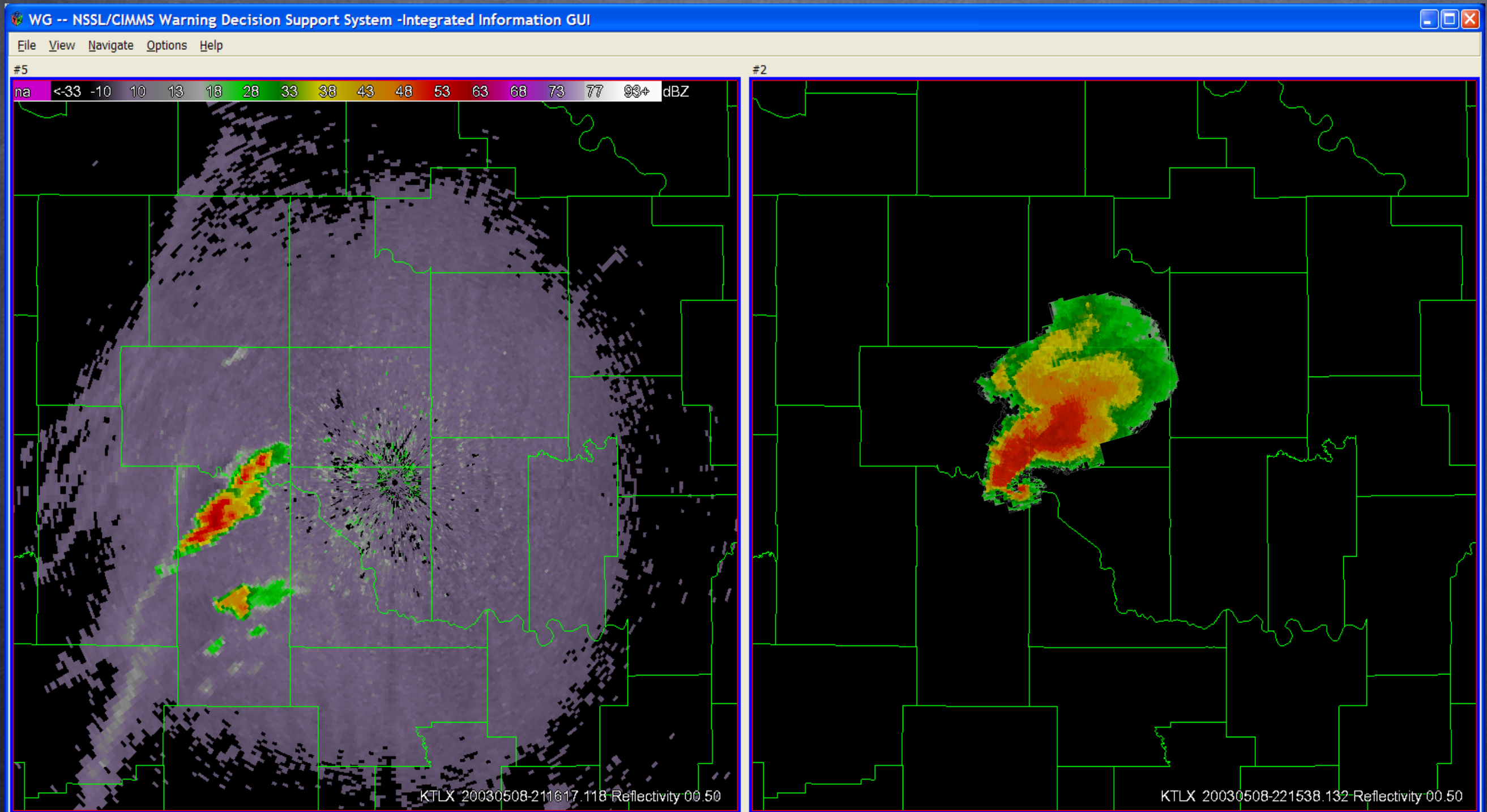
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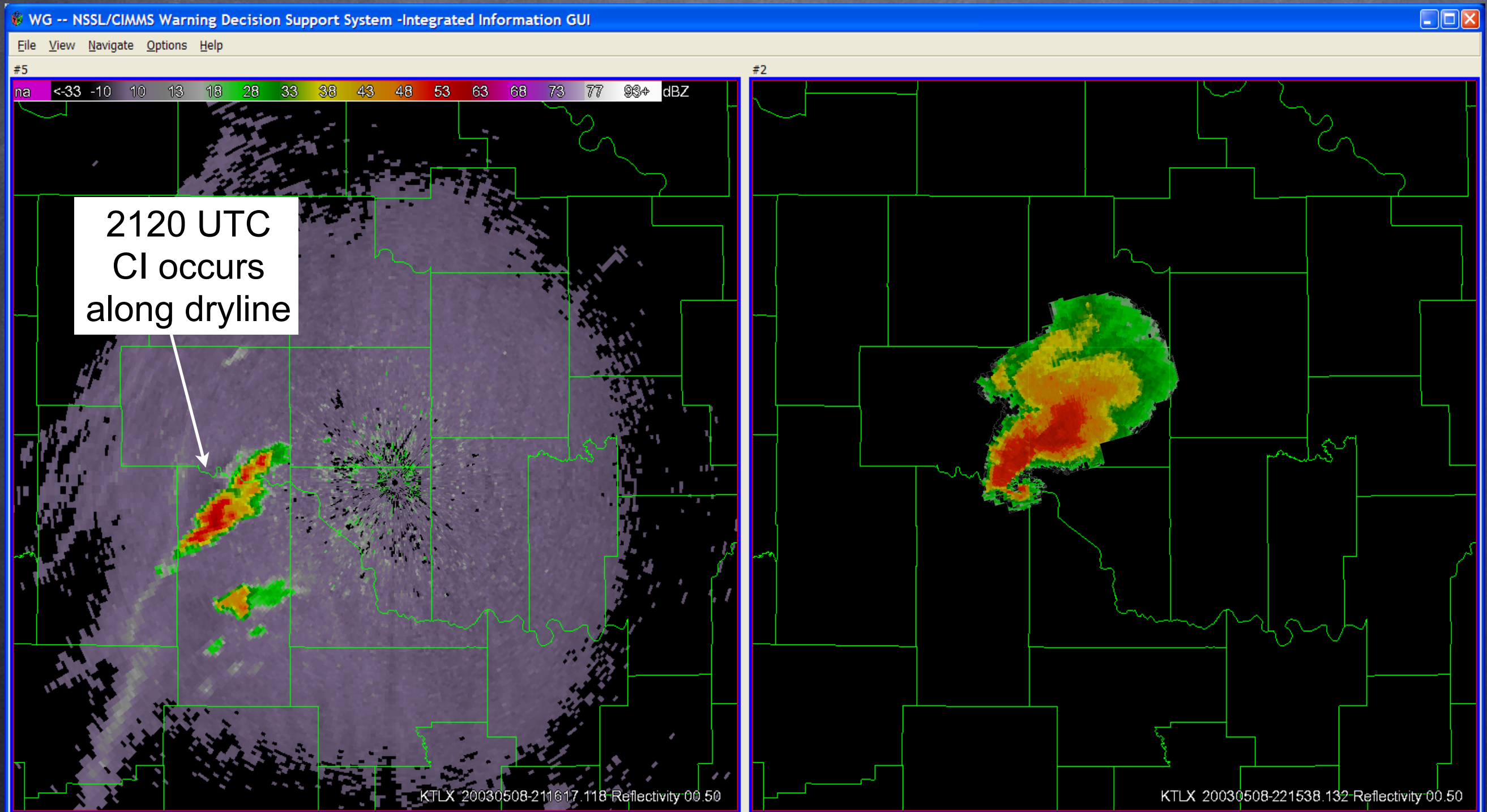
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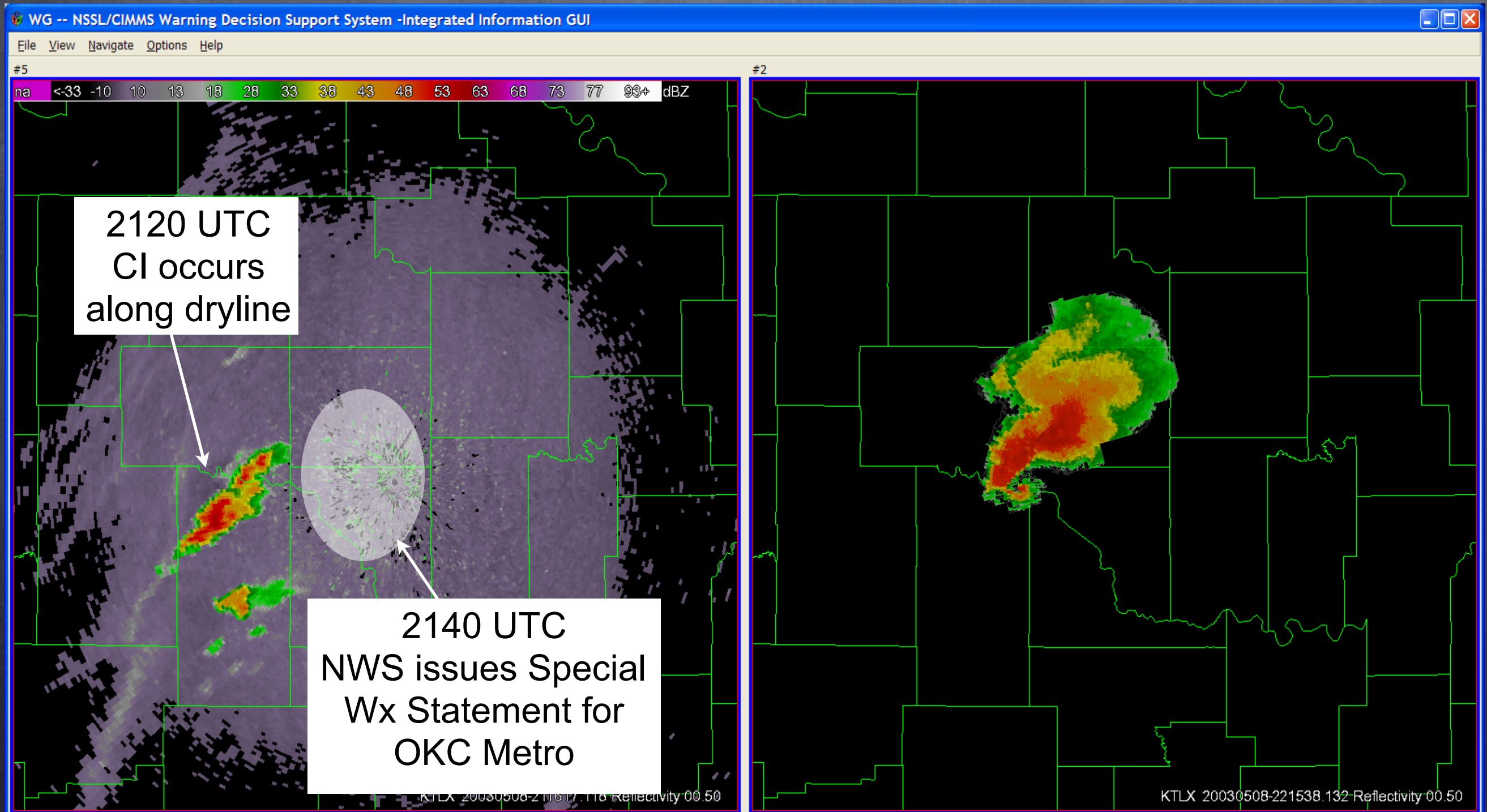
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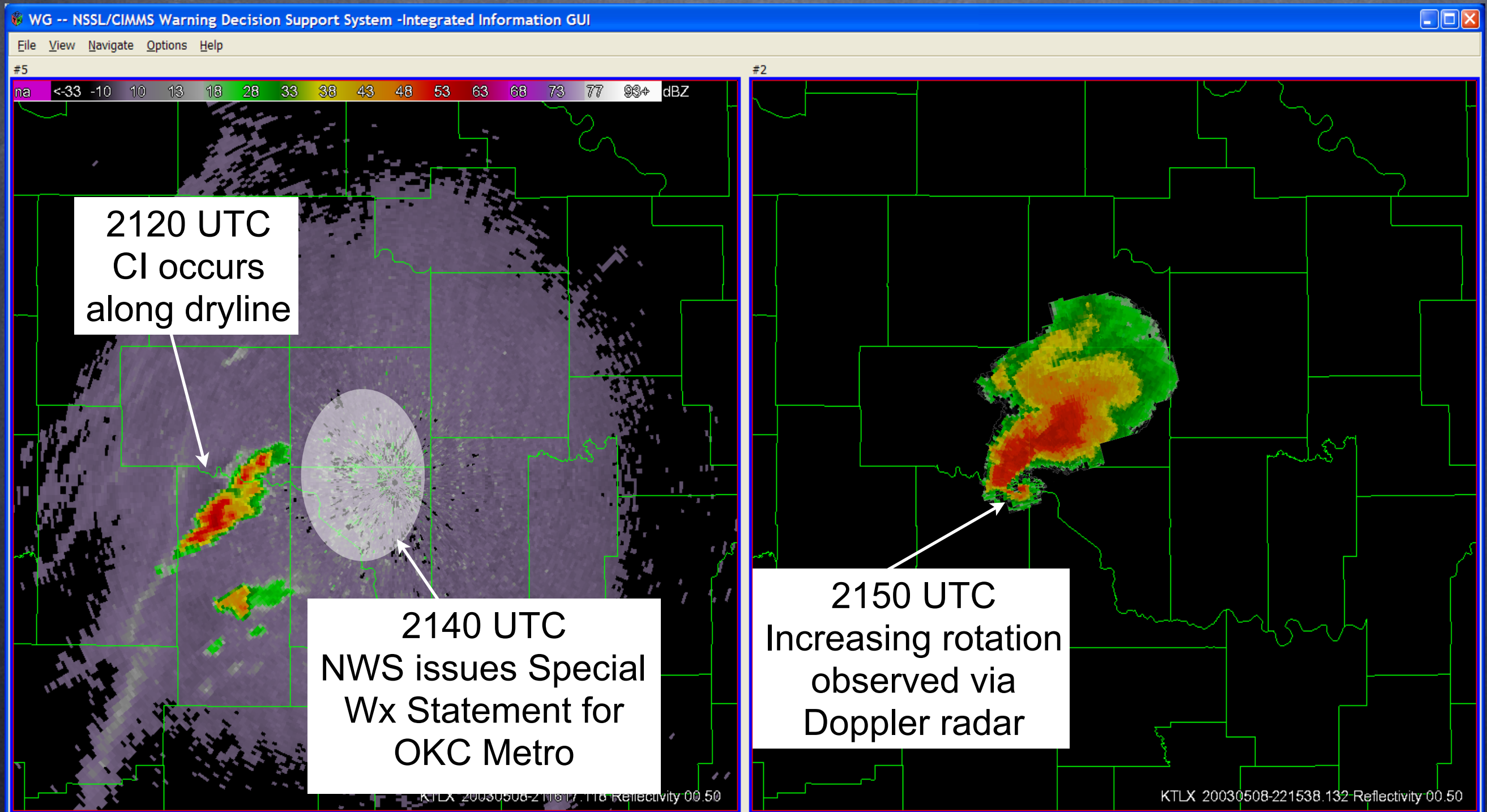
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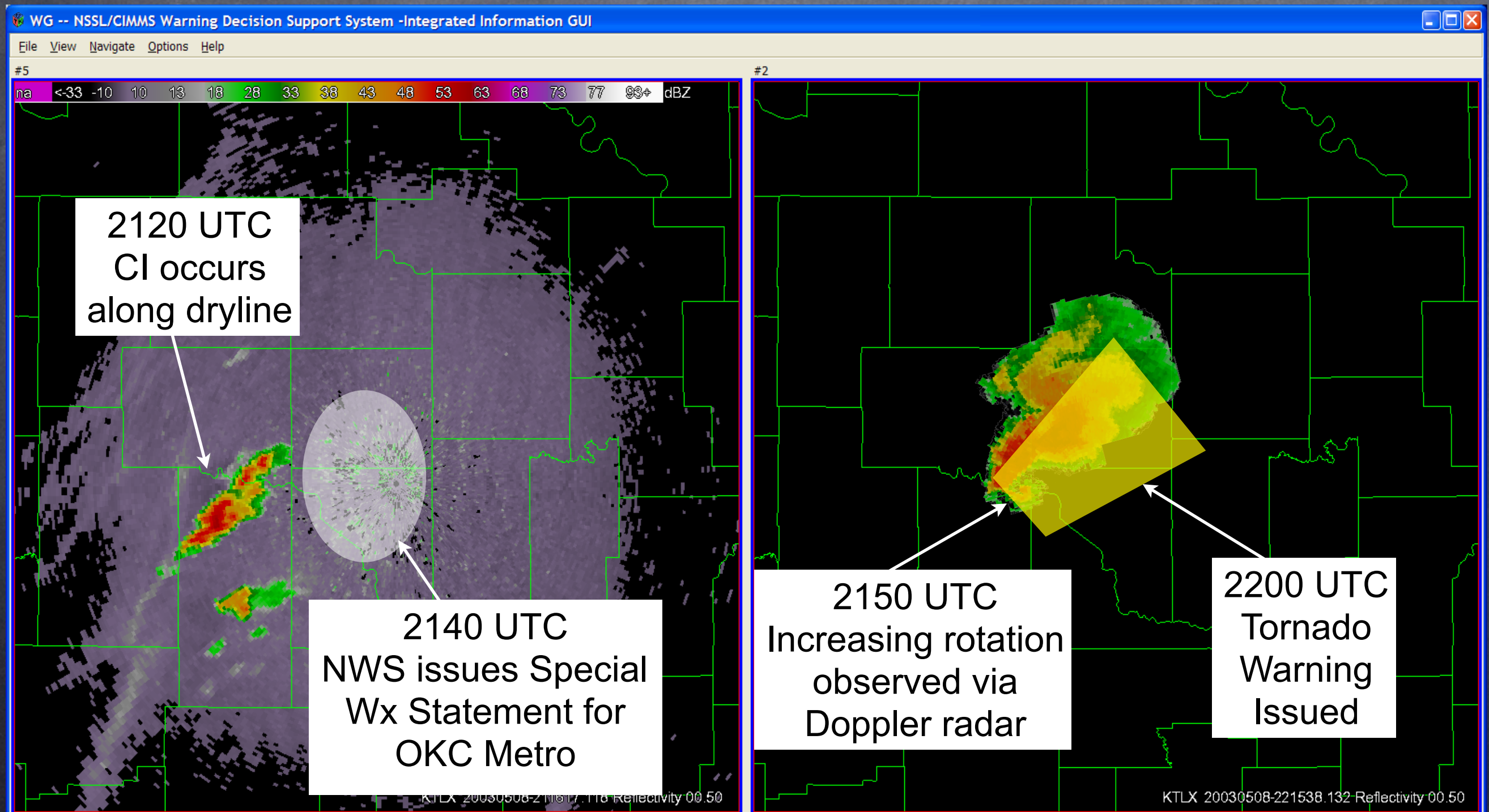
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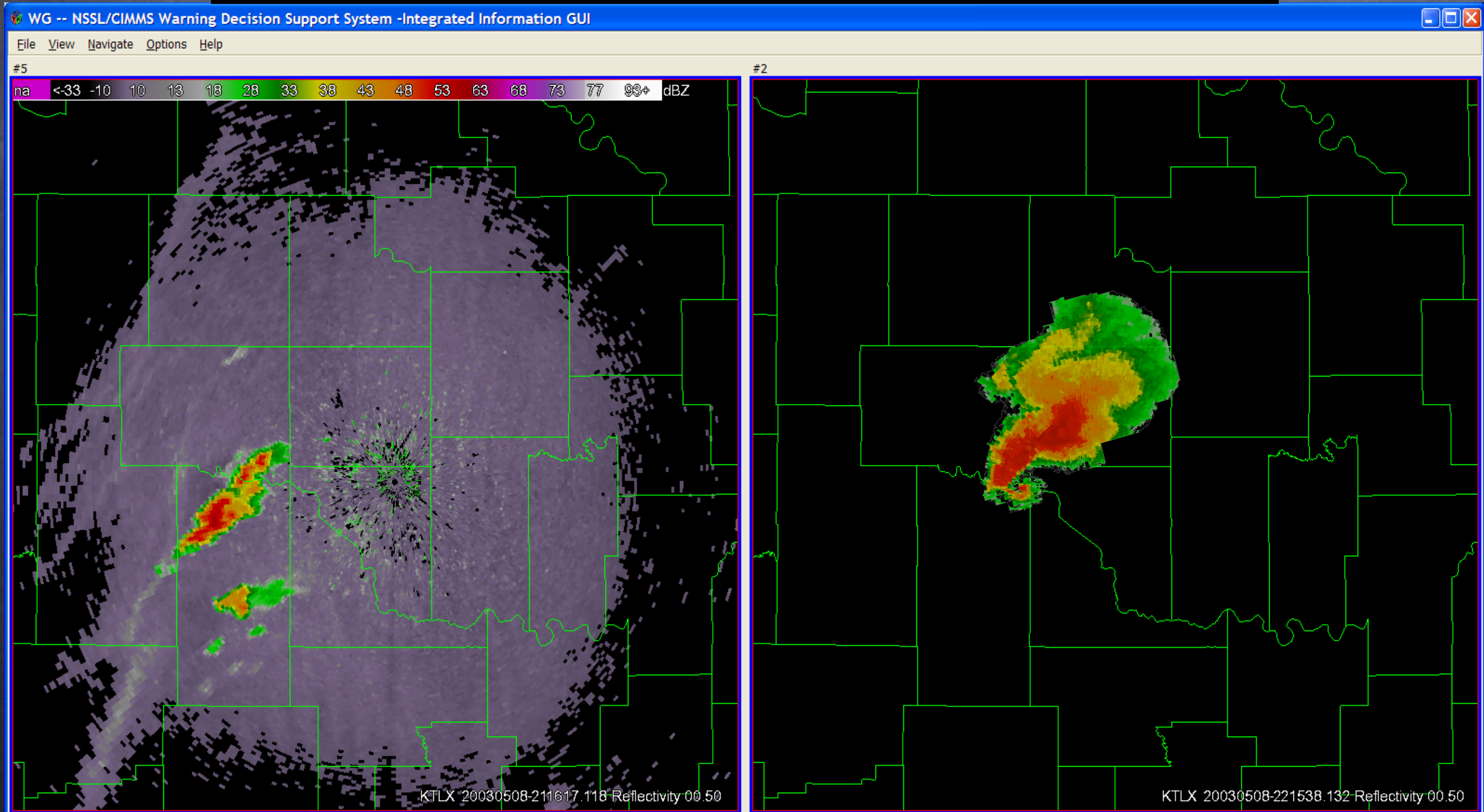


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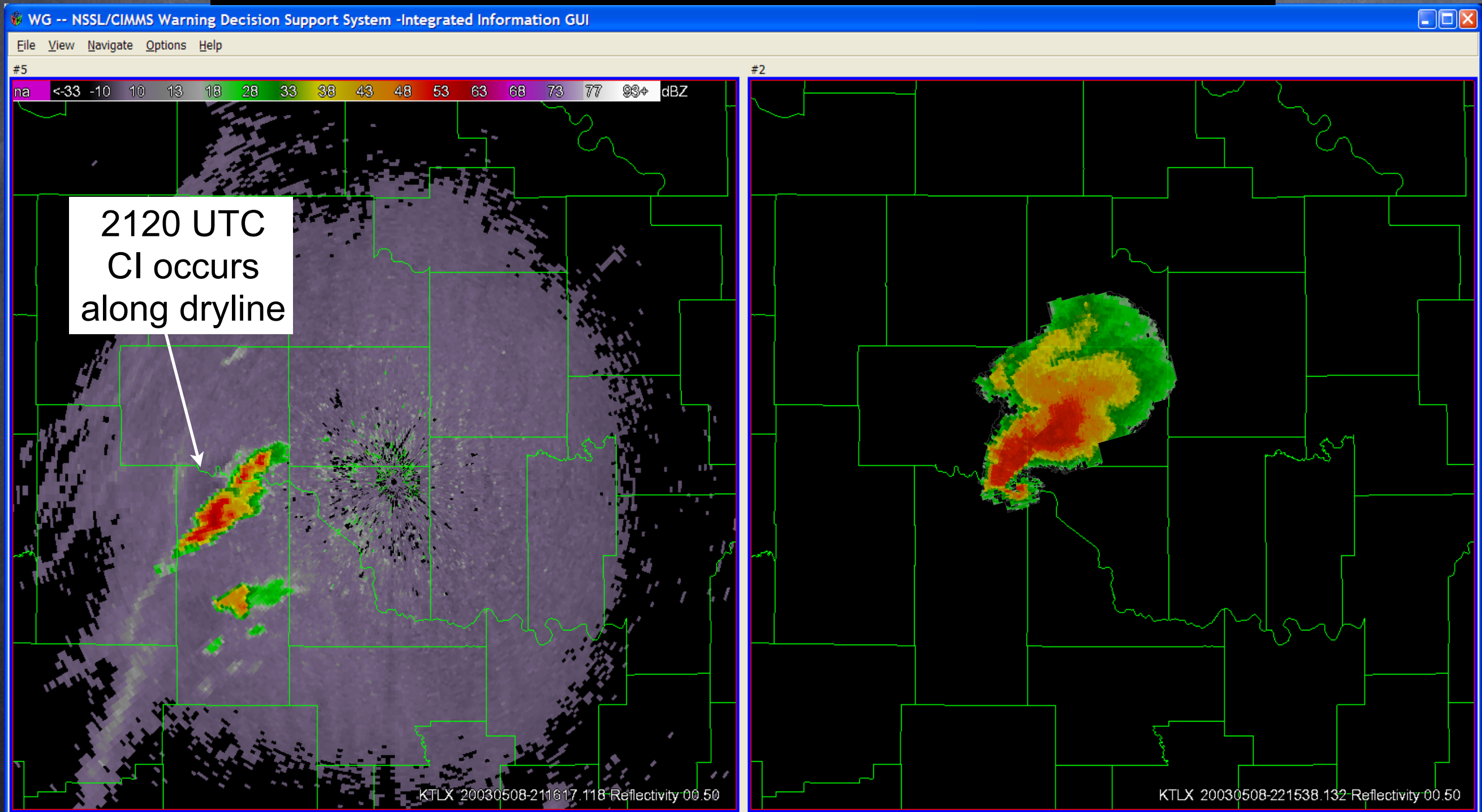
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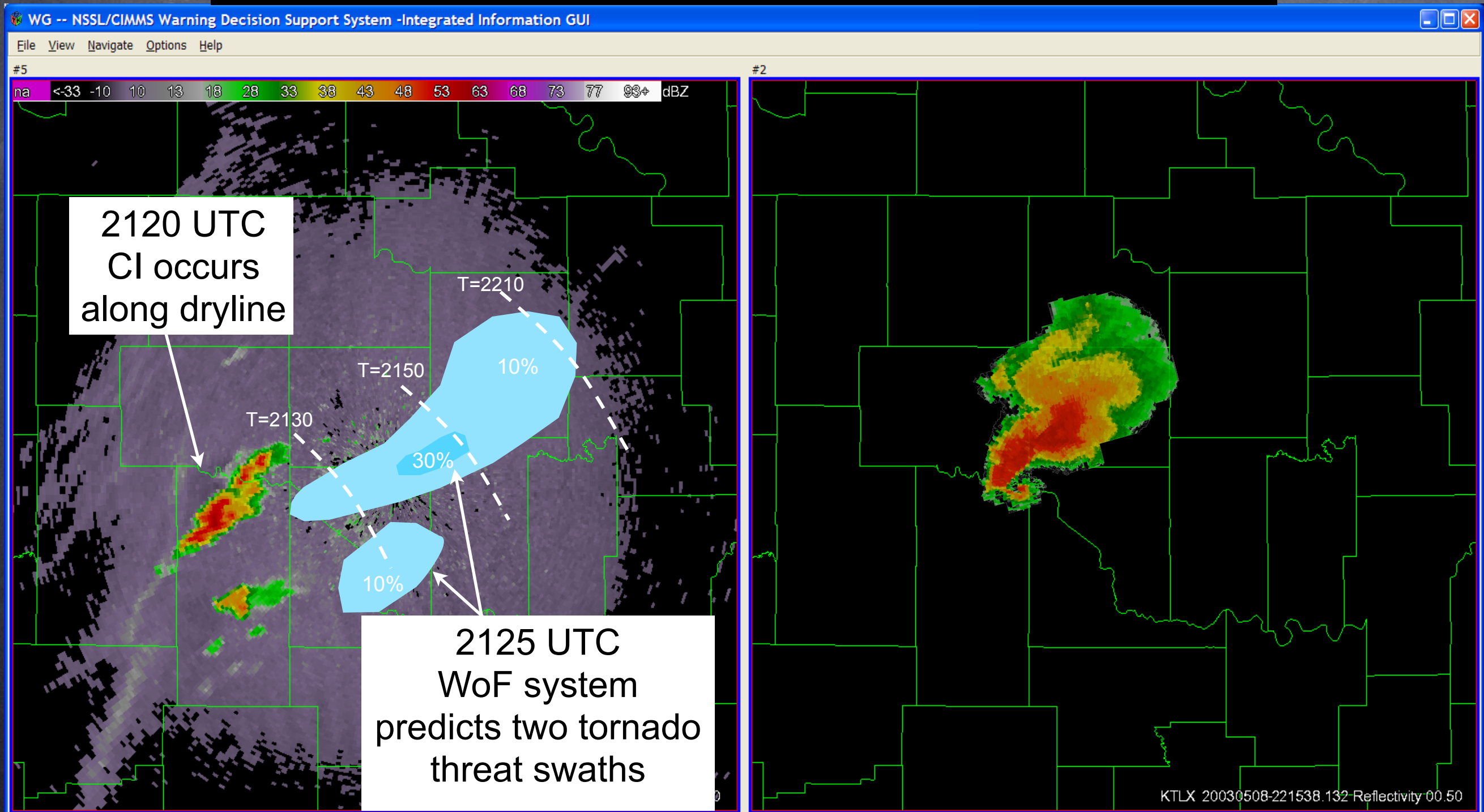
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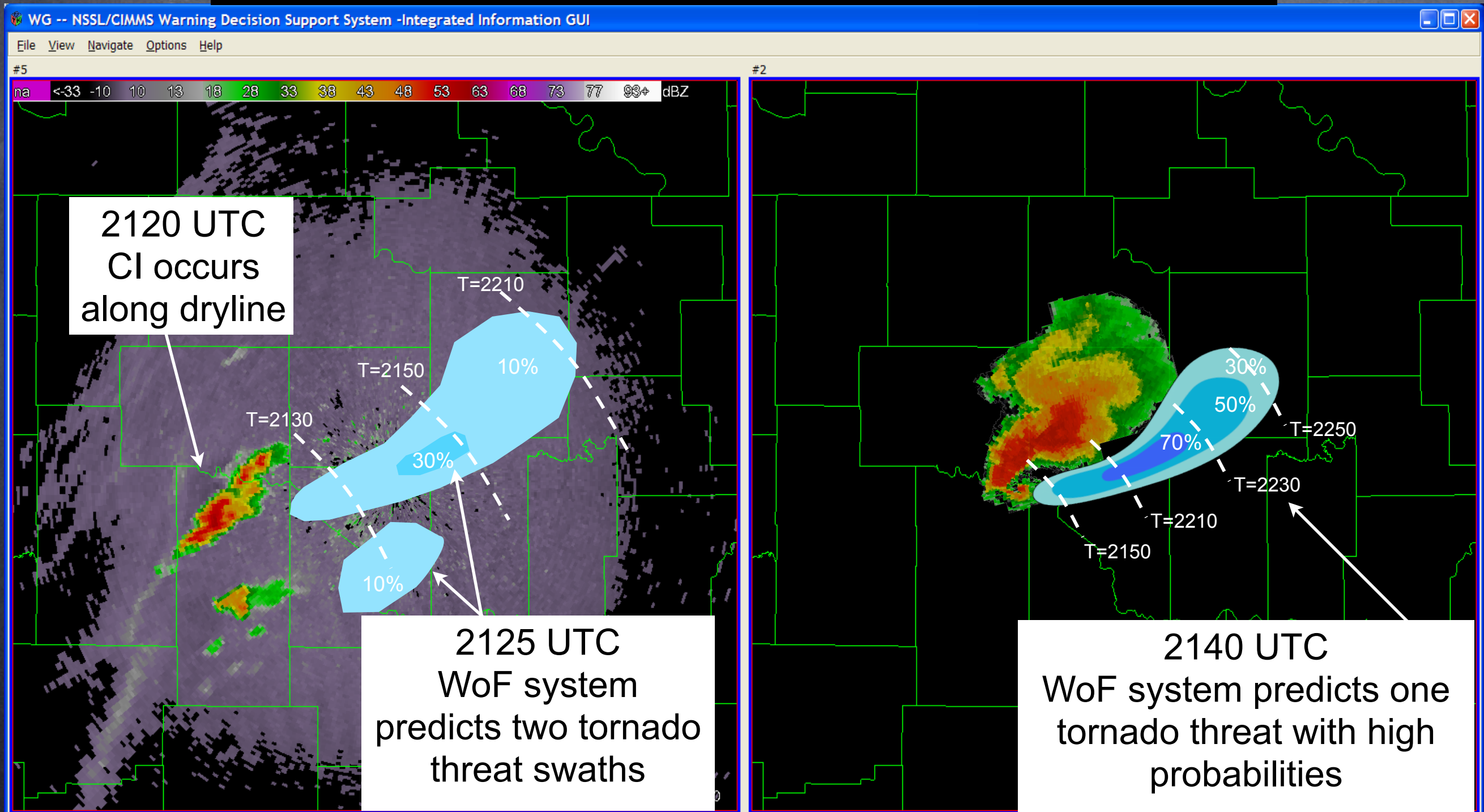
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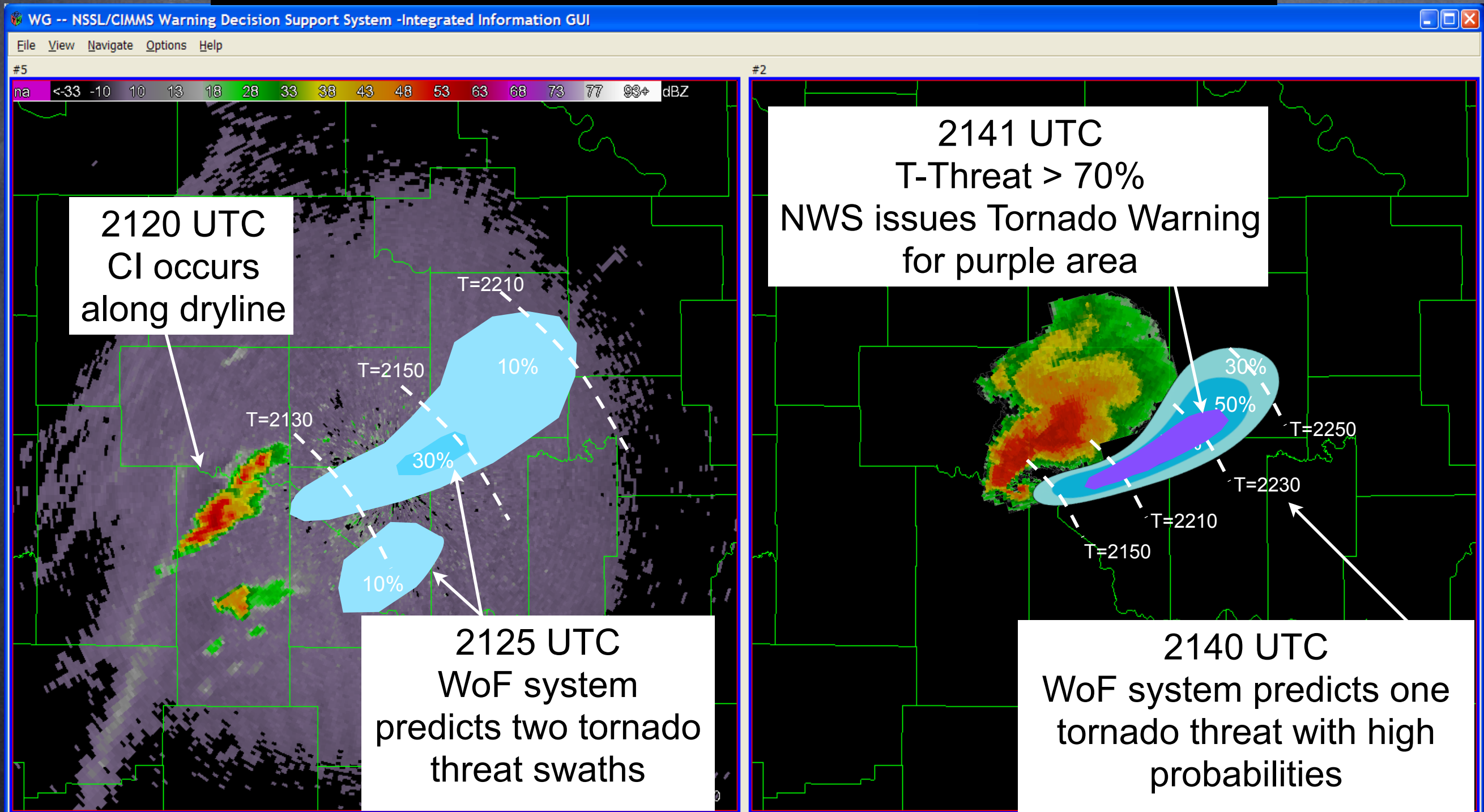
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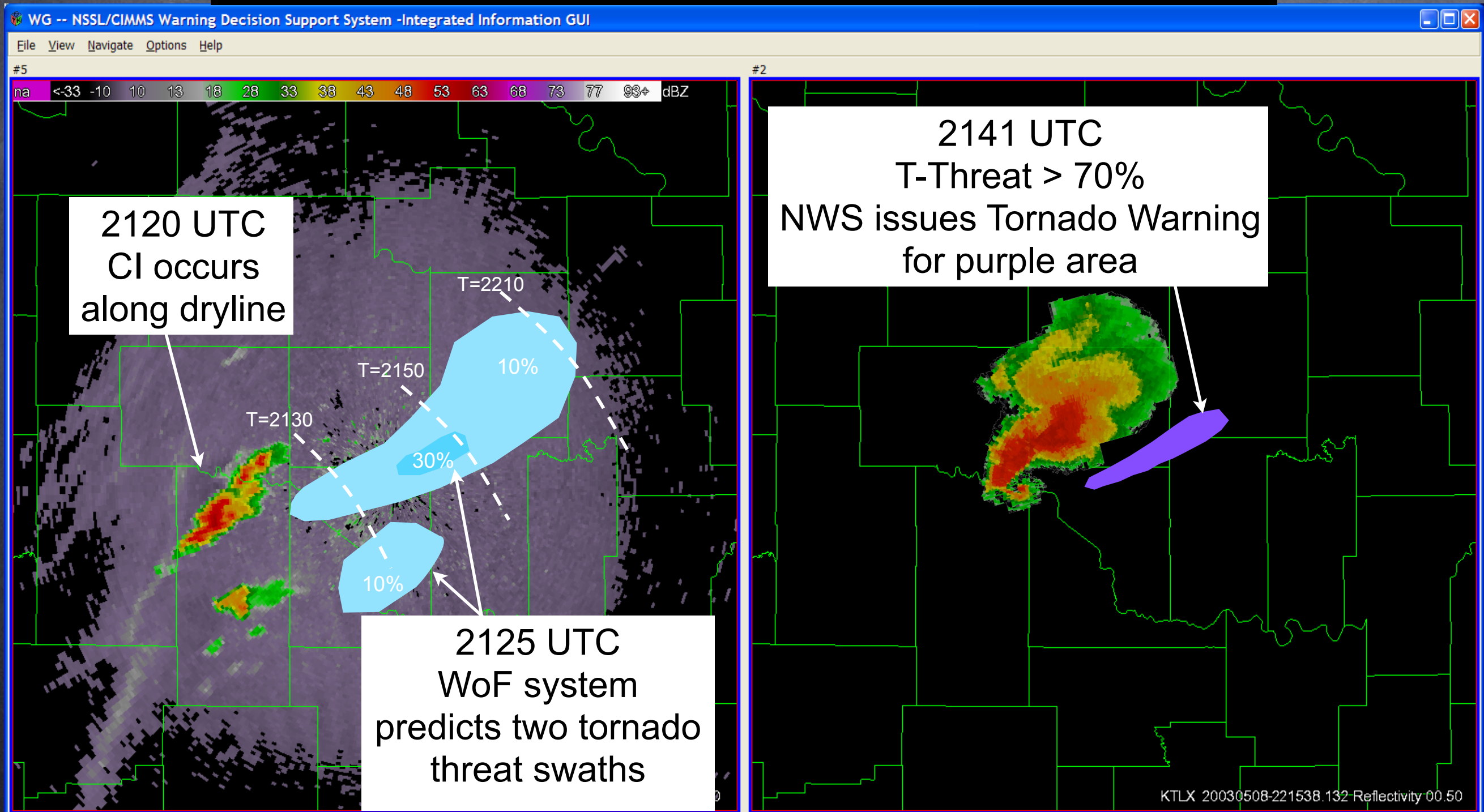
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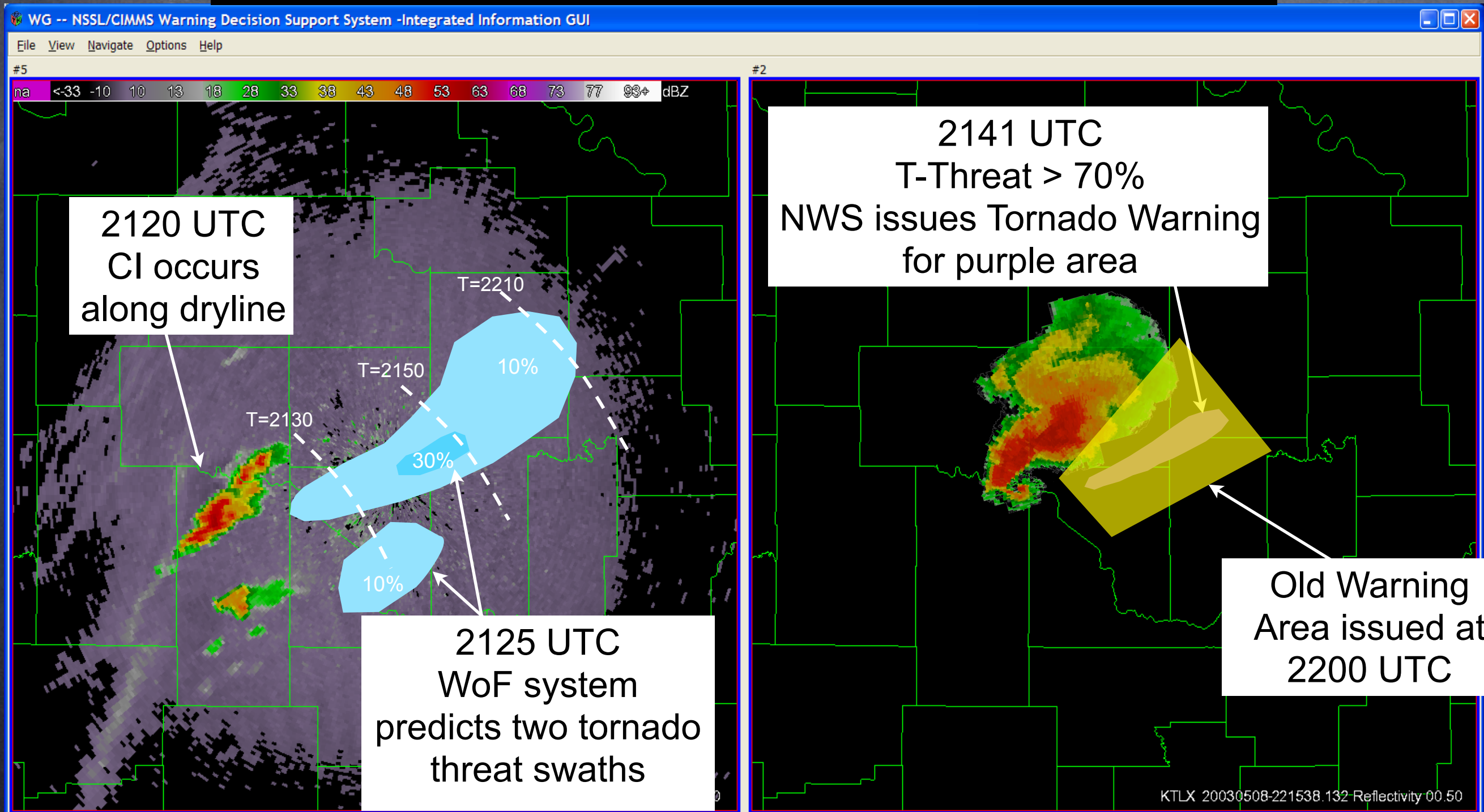
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Relationship between NSSL's WoF-TTP and other projects

- Example: High Resolution Rapid Refresh ensemble (HRRRe)
 - 3 km resolution ensemble of HRRRs
 - New analysis & forecasts produced every hour
 - full DA capability including radar, satellite, etc!
- Great Idea! We love this! We want to work with GSD/EMC to see this happen!
- But its **NOT** WoF-TTP! Cannot forecast tornadoes at these resolutions
- A 3 km grid is convection-permitting, but not convection-resolving!
- WoF-TTP will require grid resolution 3-10x higher than this to reliably predict the internal dynamics of convective entities.
- Think of a HRRRe as the initial background fields for a WoF-TTP system

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2012 NSSL Activities

A Weather-Adaptive 3DVAR System used in HWT

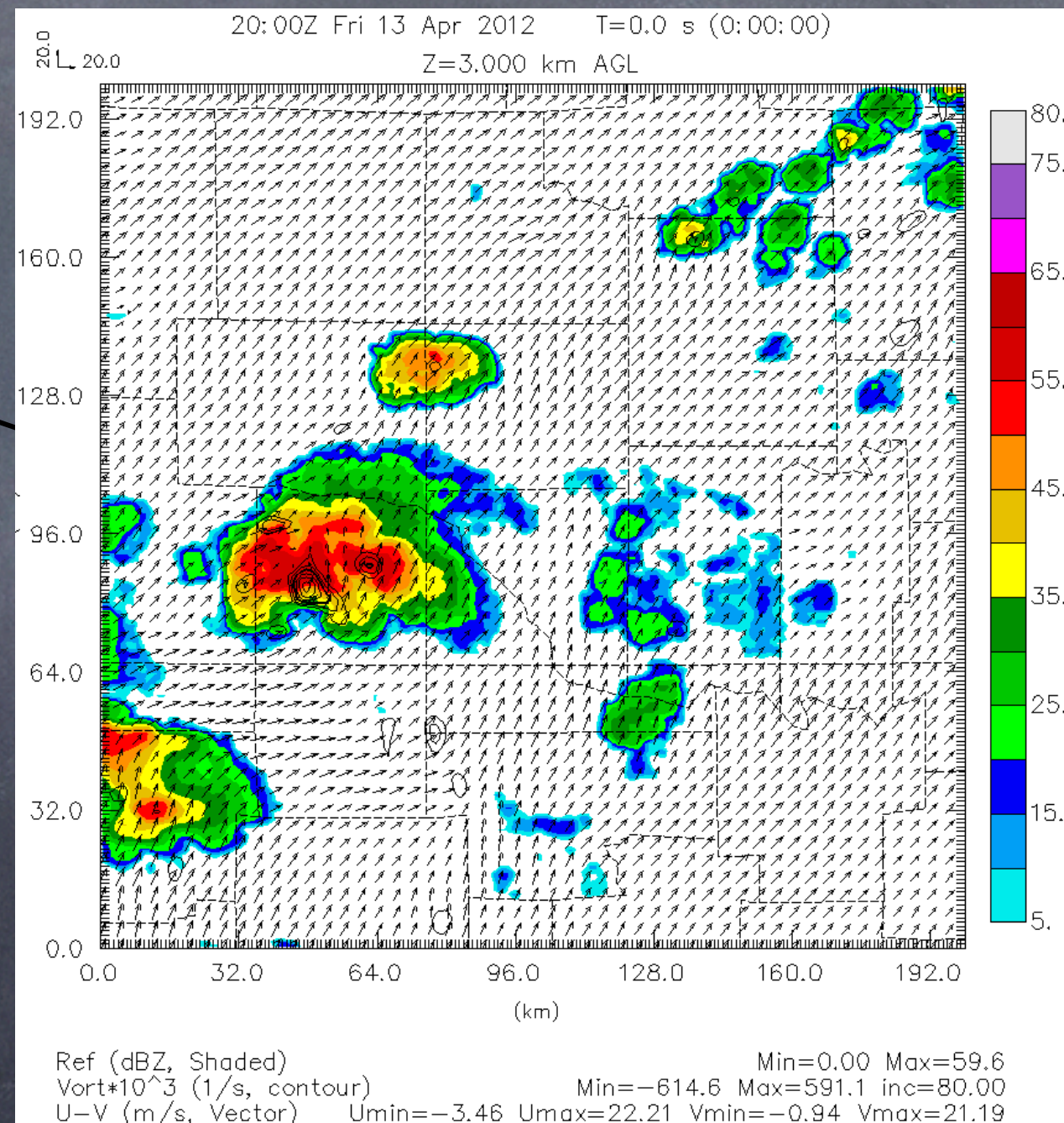
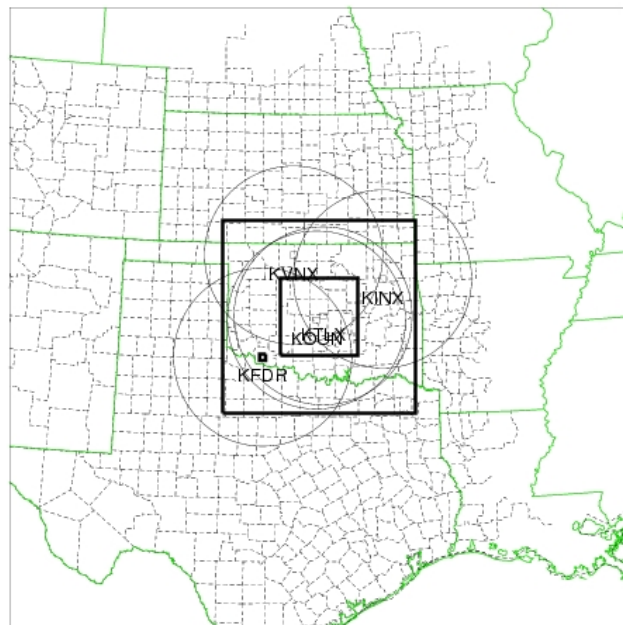
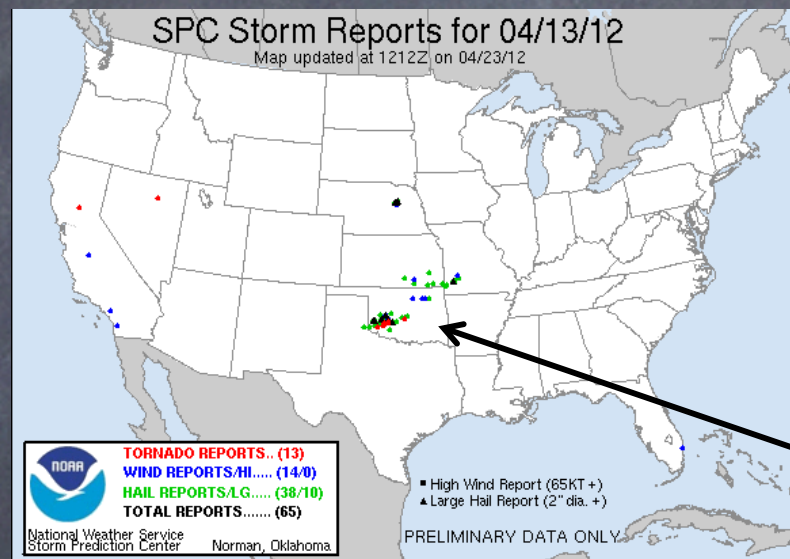
(J. Gao and collaborators)

- Focus:
- Using the operationally available radar data from the 88D network to create realtime weather-adaptive 3DVAR analyses:
 - high horizontal resolution (200x200 km domain having 1 km grid)
 - high time frequency (new analysis every 5 min)
 - Up to five local adaptive domains run every 5 min.
- Analyses are used by forecasters to see if they add value regarding the hazardous weather threat.

Realtime 3DVAR Output

Norman Tornado, 13 April 2012

(J. Gao and collaborators)



Radar QC

(C. Karstens and collaborators)

- Goal: Interactive interface
 - Rapidly test different schemes and combinations of schemes
 - Rapidly process large amounts of data
 - Output formats:
 - WDSS2, M31, Foray, images, shapefiles
- (Soon) able to do data thinning via OPAWS
 - output to DART obs_seq
- Collaborators hopefully can access it later this year

8 May 2003: Multiscale experiment

EnKF (DART) used for multiple scales

Yussouf et al. 2013

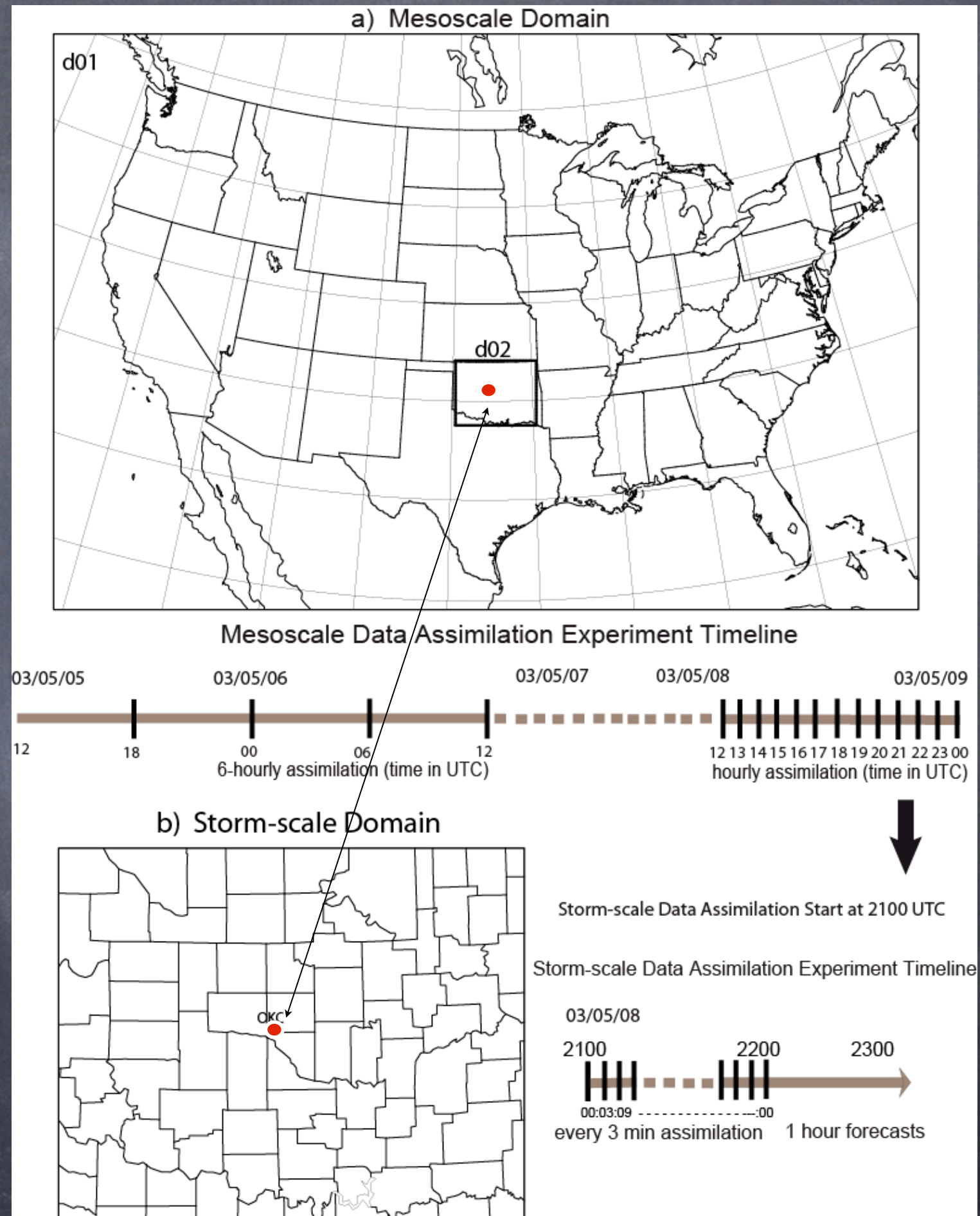
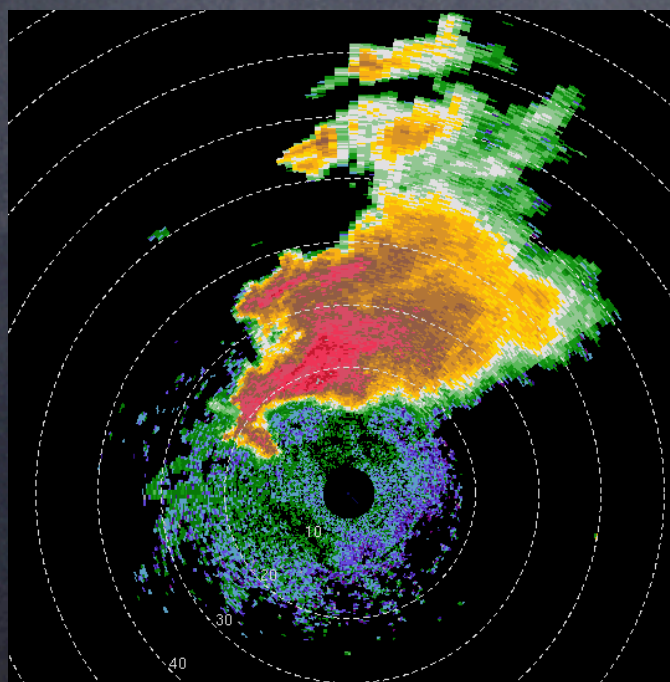
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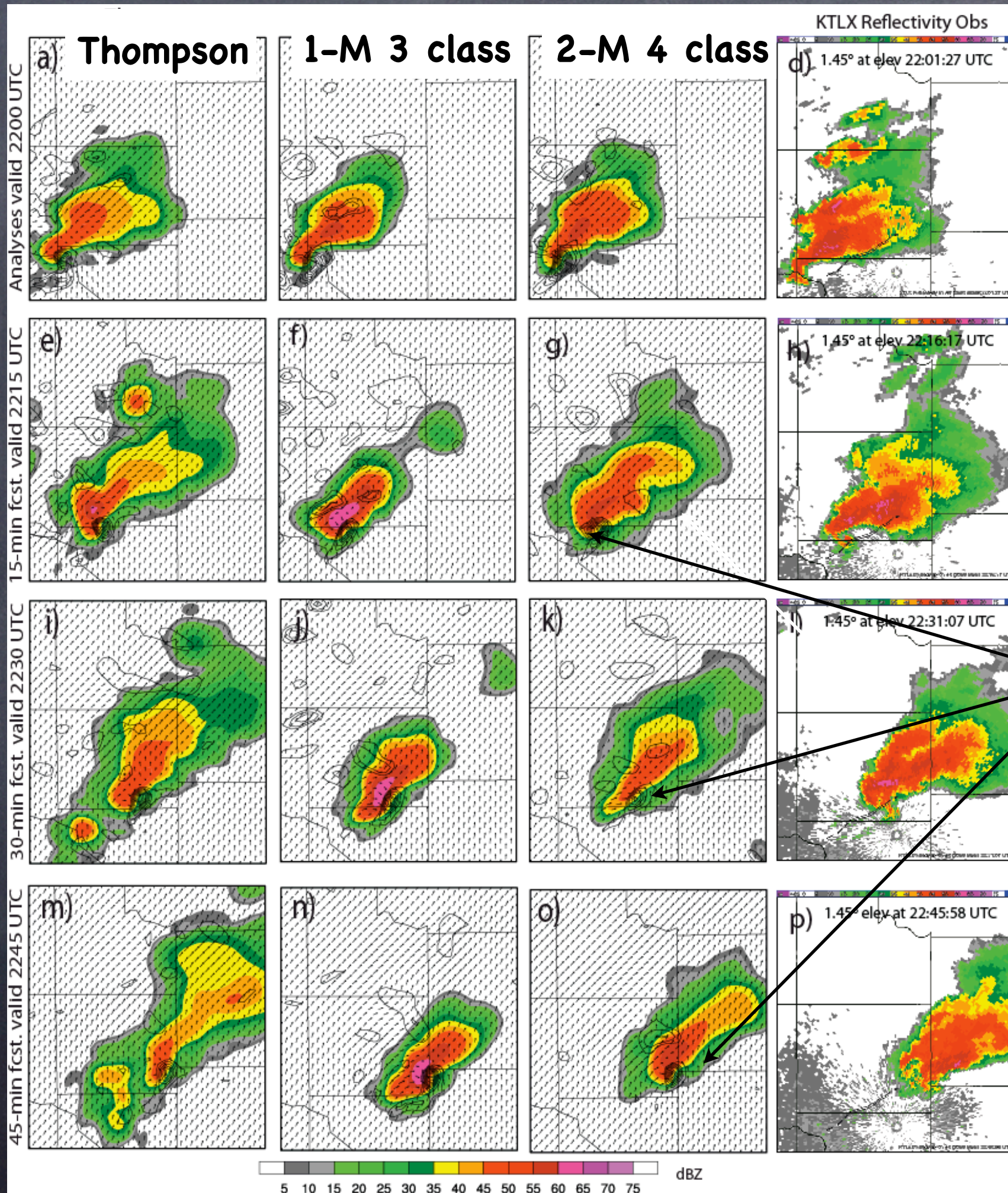
- 45 member WRF mesoscale ensemble at 18 km horizontal grid spacing over CONUS initialized from GFS
- 3 day cycling with assimilation of routinely available observations from metar, marine, radiosondes and ACARS using DART system
- Physics options used: MYJ, Thompson, Kain-Fritsch, Noah, Dudhia and RRTM

Storm-scale Ensemble

- 45 member storm-scale ensemble nested down from the 45 member mesoscale ensemble data system
- 2-km horizontal grid spacing, 225 x 180 x 50 grid points
- Assimilates KTLX radar radial velocity and reflectivity observations every 3-min for a one-hour period
- **Test multi-moment vs single moment microphysics**

8 May 2003 Oklahoma City Tornadic Supercell





Multi-scale DA showing
sensitivity to
microphysics param
Yussouf et al. 2013
Analysis

15 min FCST

Contours are
rotation maxima

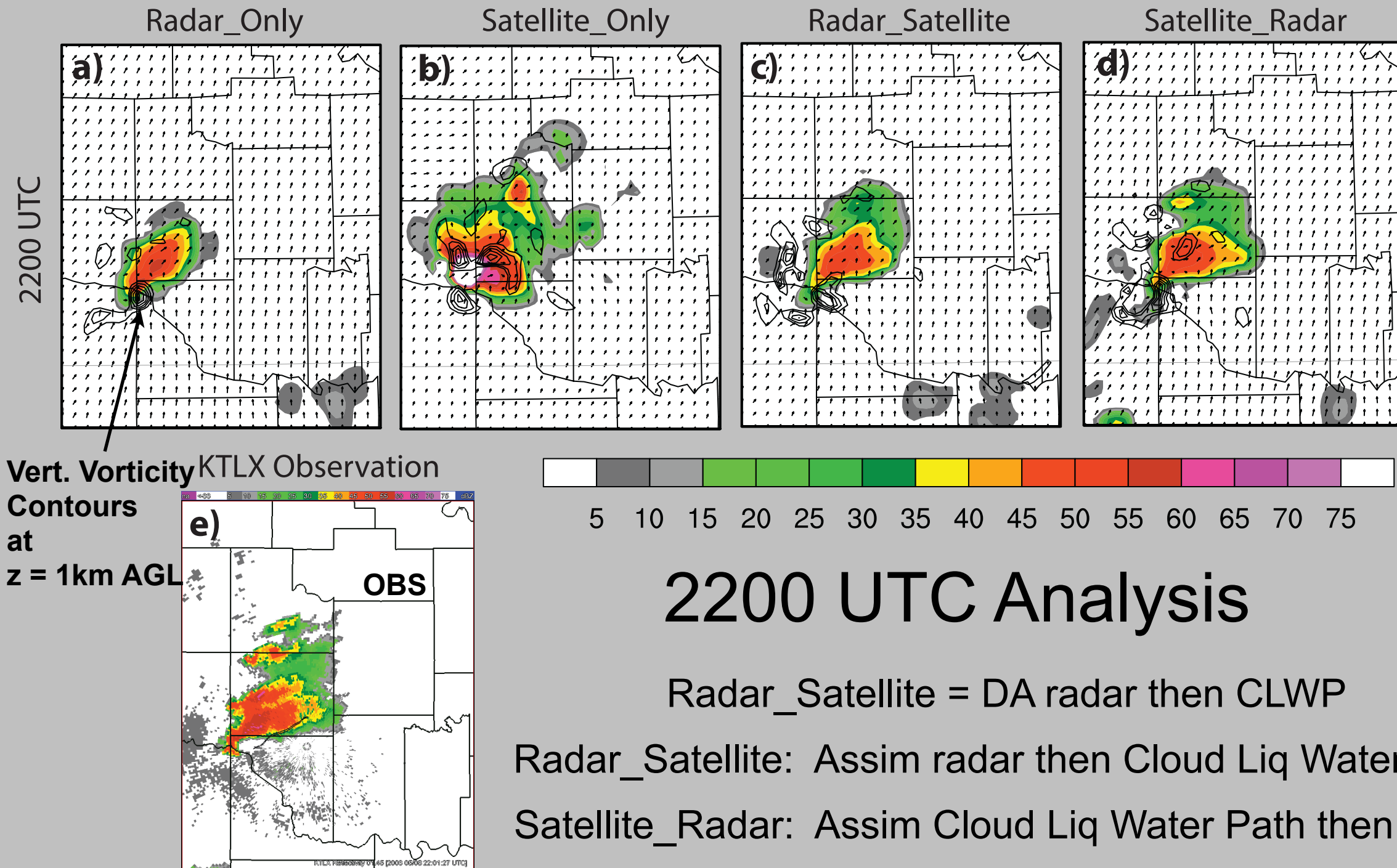
30 min FCST

45 min FCST

Ens Mean shown
3 microphysics schemes
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Extension: Multiscale EnKF using both Radar and Satellite Data

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2200 UTC Analysis

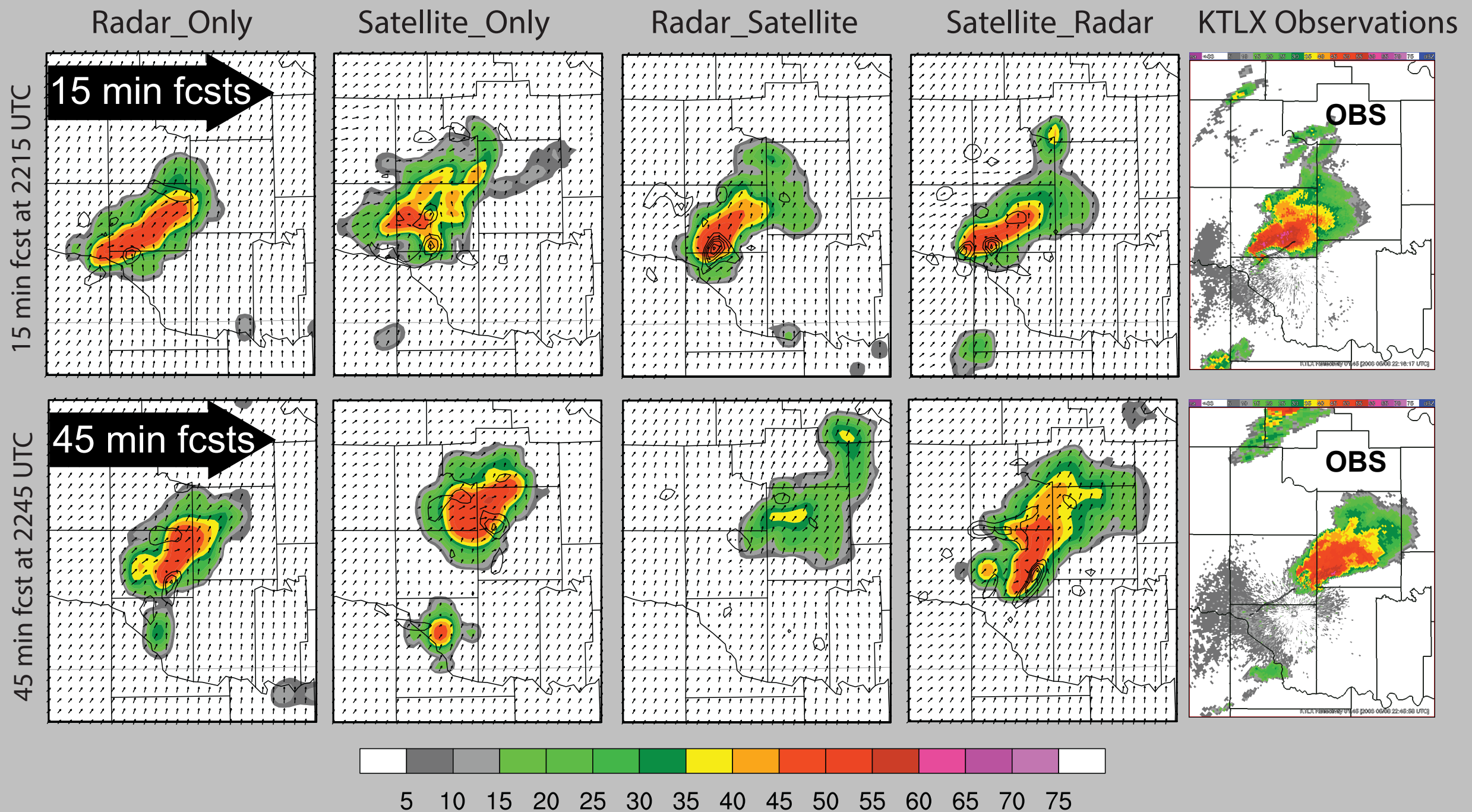
Radar_Satellite = DA radar then CLWP

Radar_Satellite: Assim radar then Cloud Liq Water Path

Satellite_Radar: Assim Cloud Liq Water Path then radar

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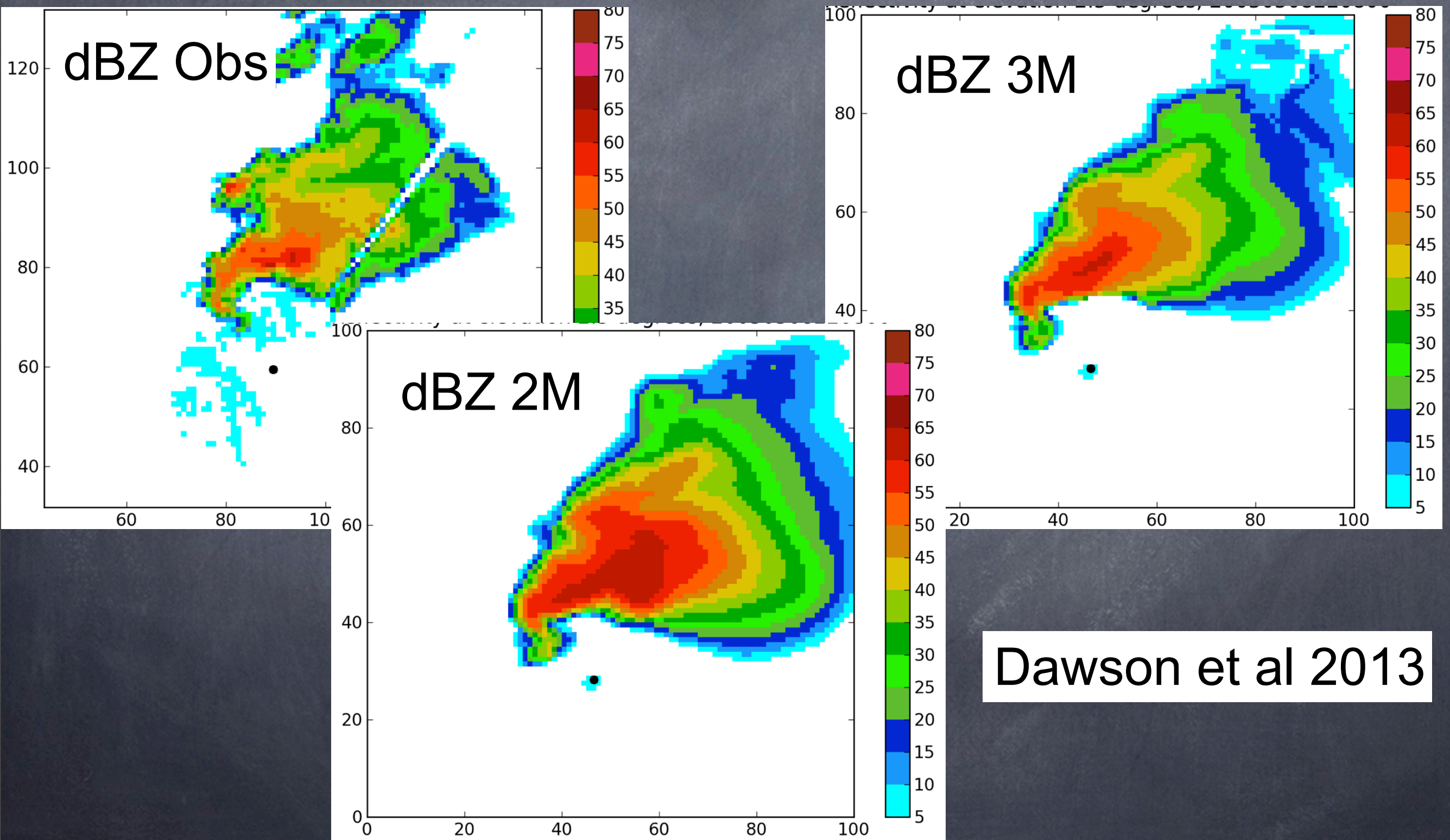


Dual-Pol Evaluation/Improvement of Microphysical Schemes

Dawson, Jung, Mansell, Wicker 2013

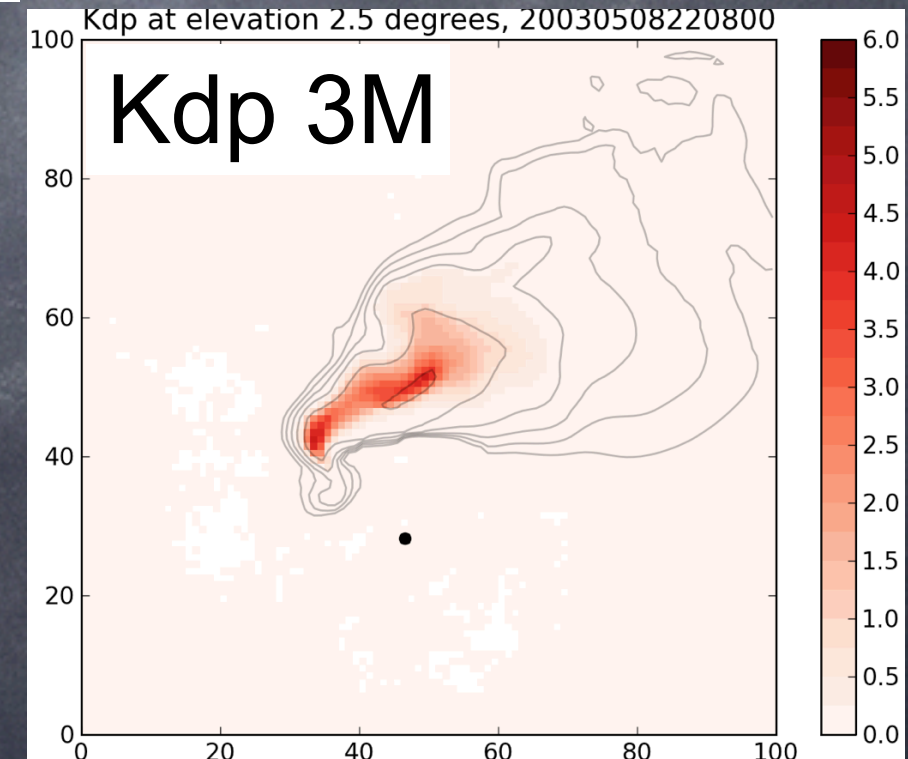
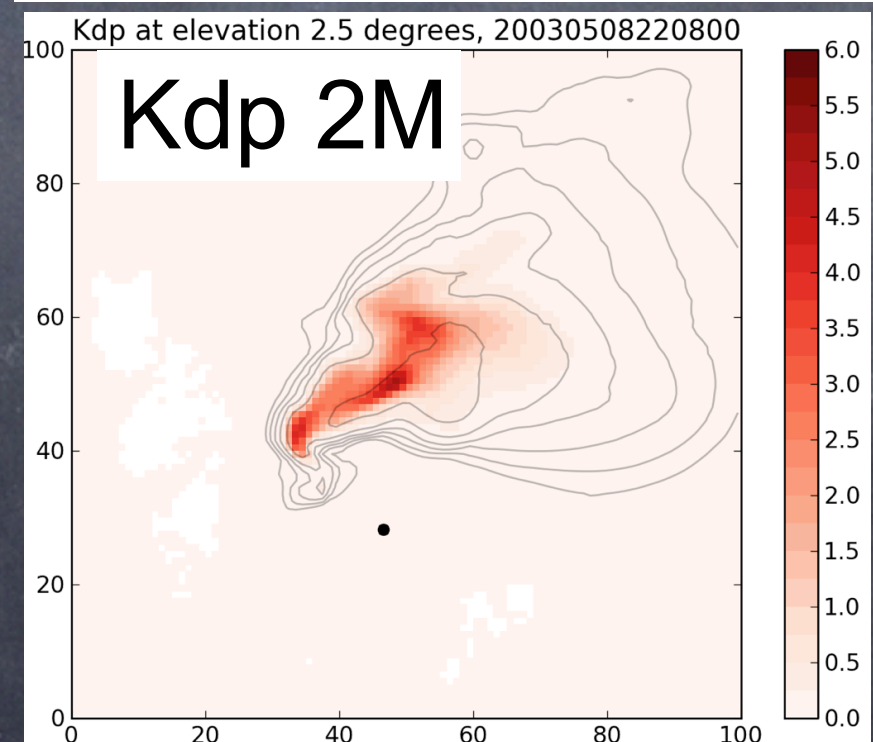
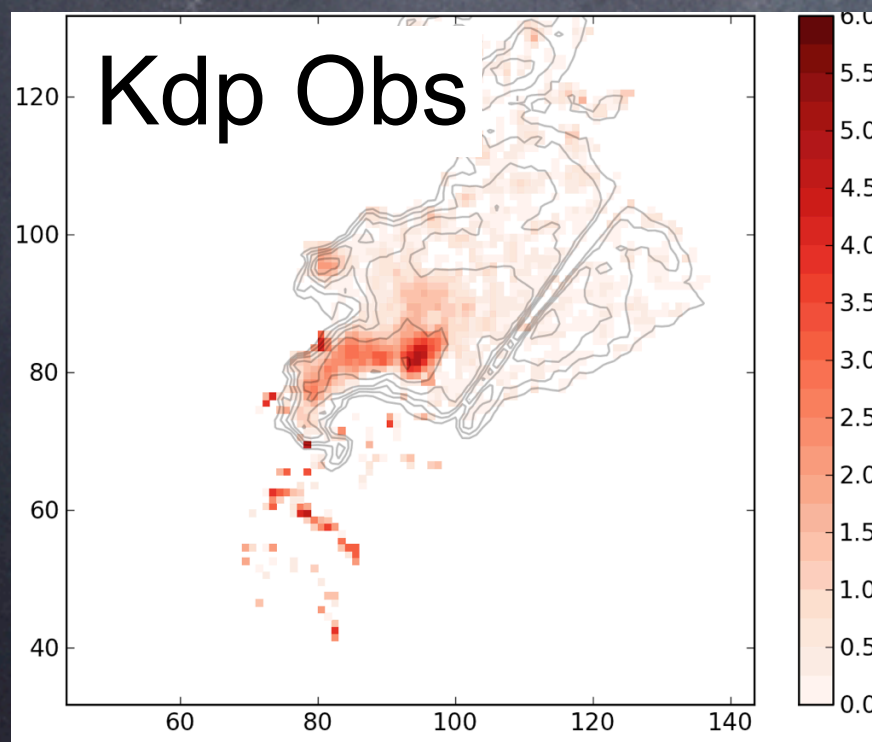
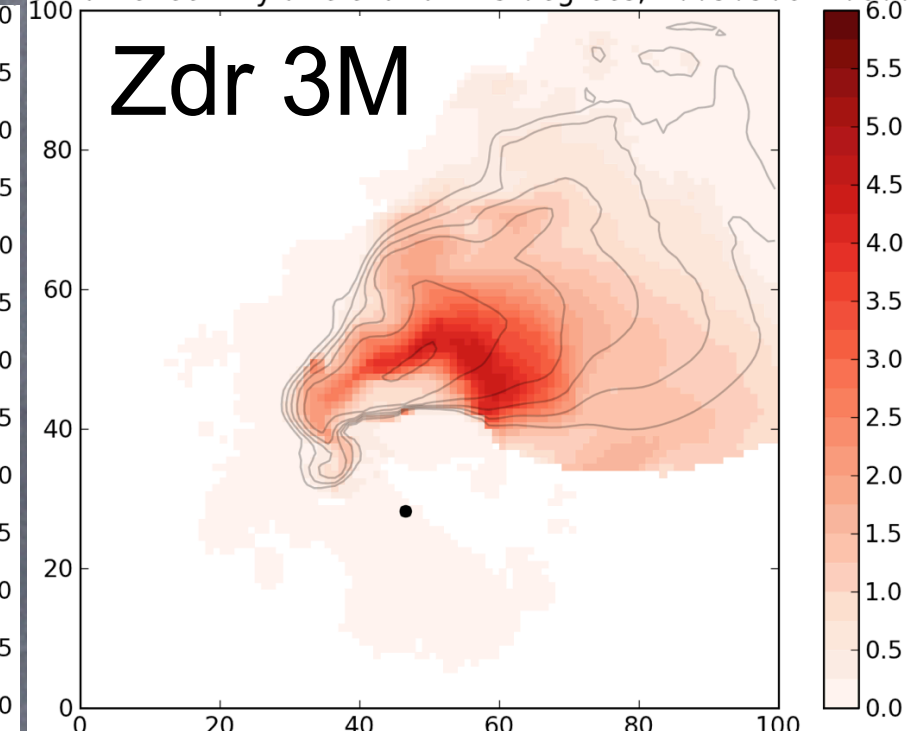
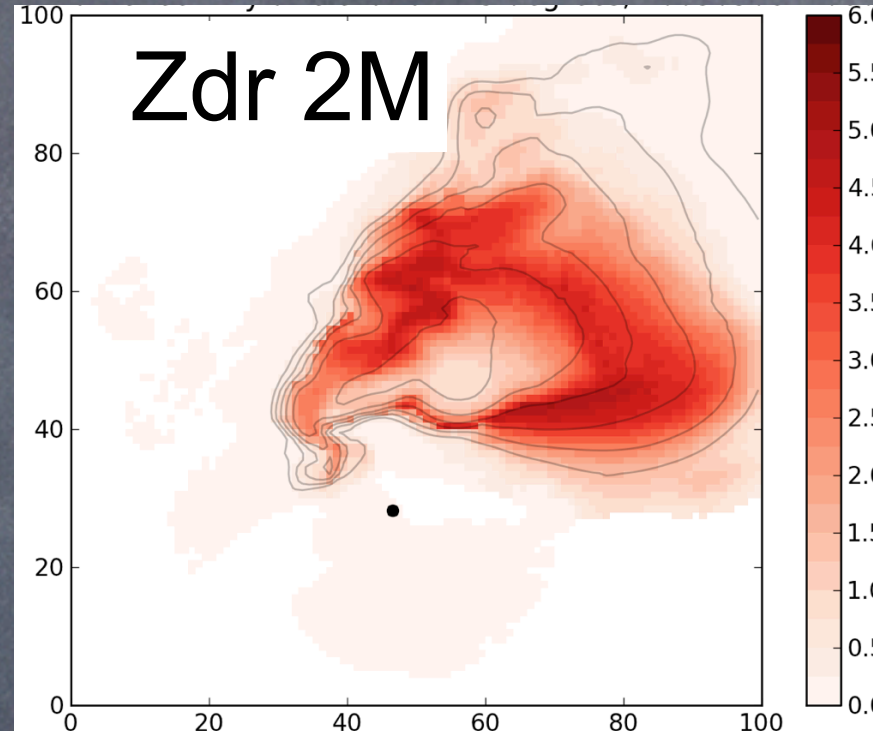
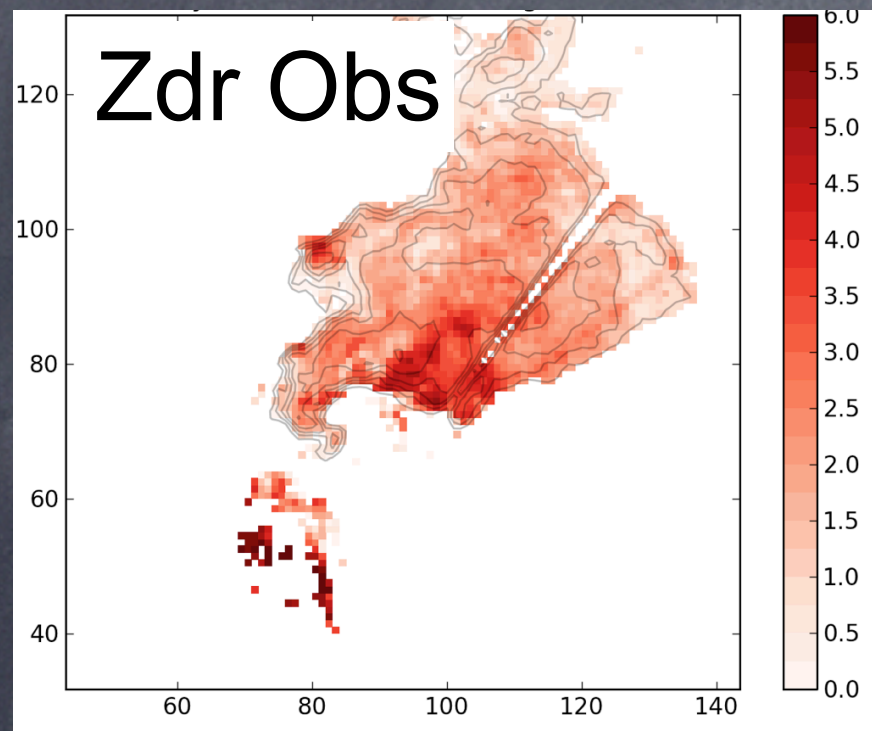
- Use Dual-Pol observations to access and improve microphysical parameterization
- DP Forward-operator is complicated - also microphysics scheme dependent
- CAPS forward DP operator (for M-Y scheme) converted to ZVD-2M/3M.
- 40 member EnKF analysis
 - only Vr observations are assimilated!!!!
 - cannot “touch” the hydrometeors in analysis
- Iterative process - considerable development in both DP-Op and microphysics.
 - bugs were found in both codes
 - improvements were made in both codes
 - DP-Op is very sensitive to assumptions about drop shapes

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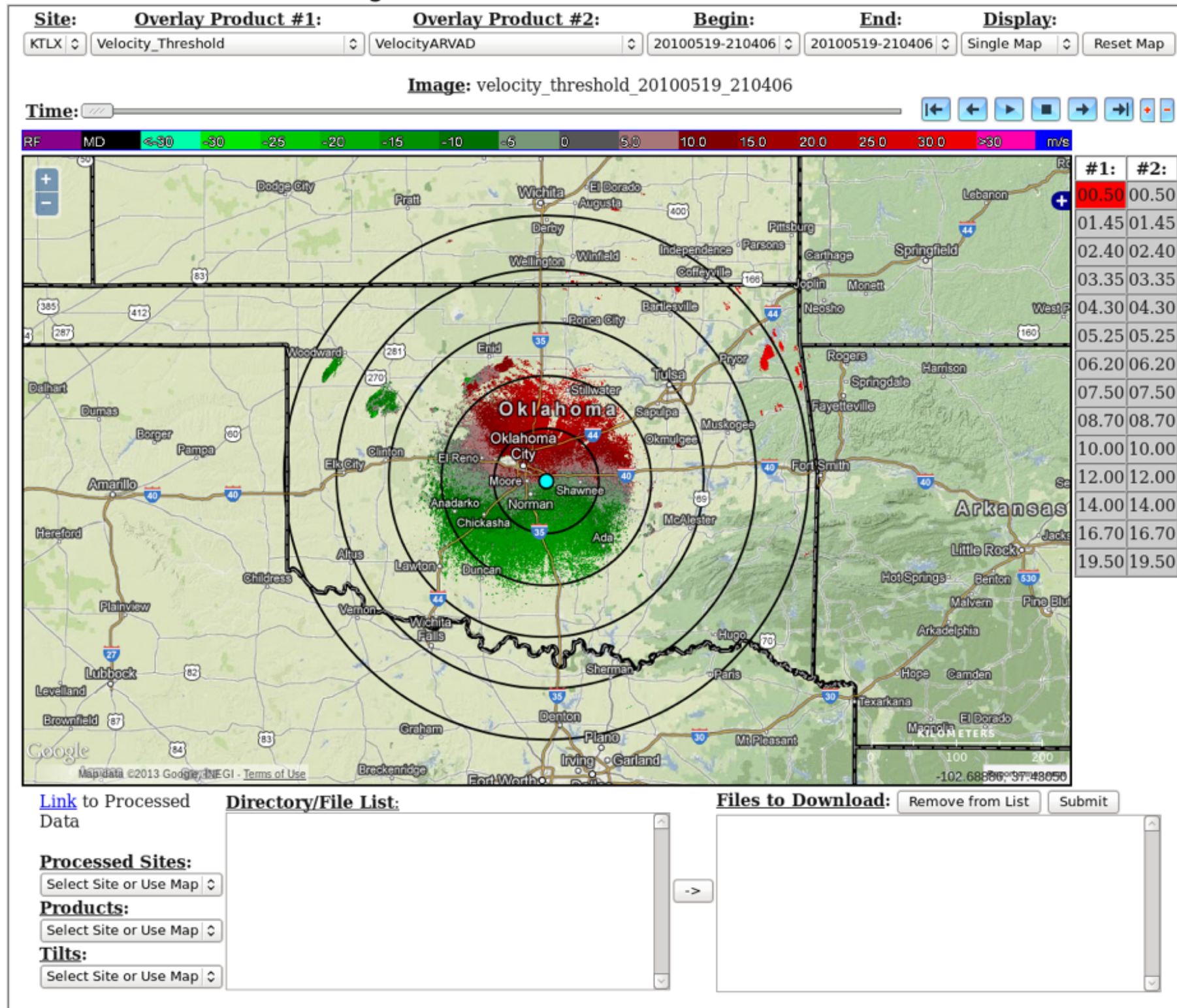


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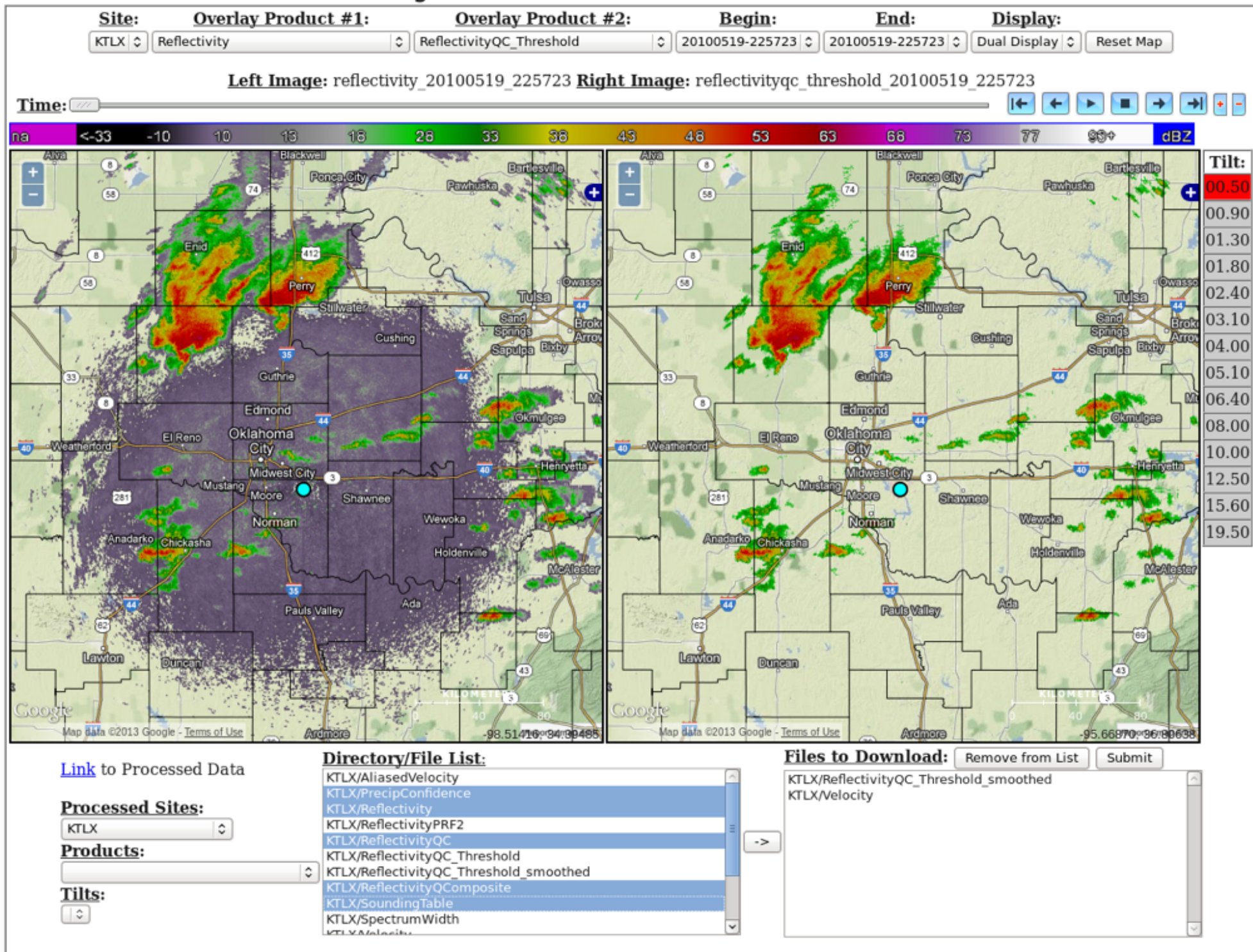
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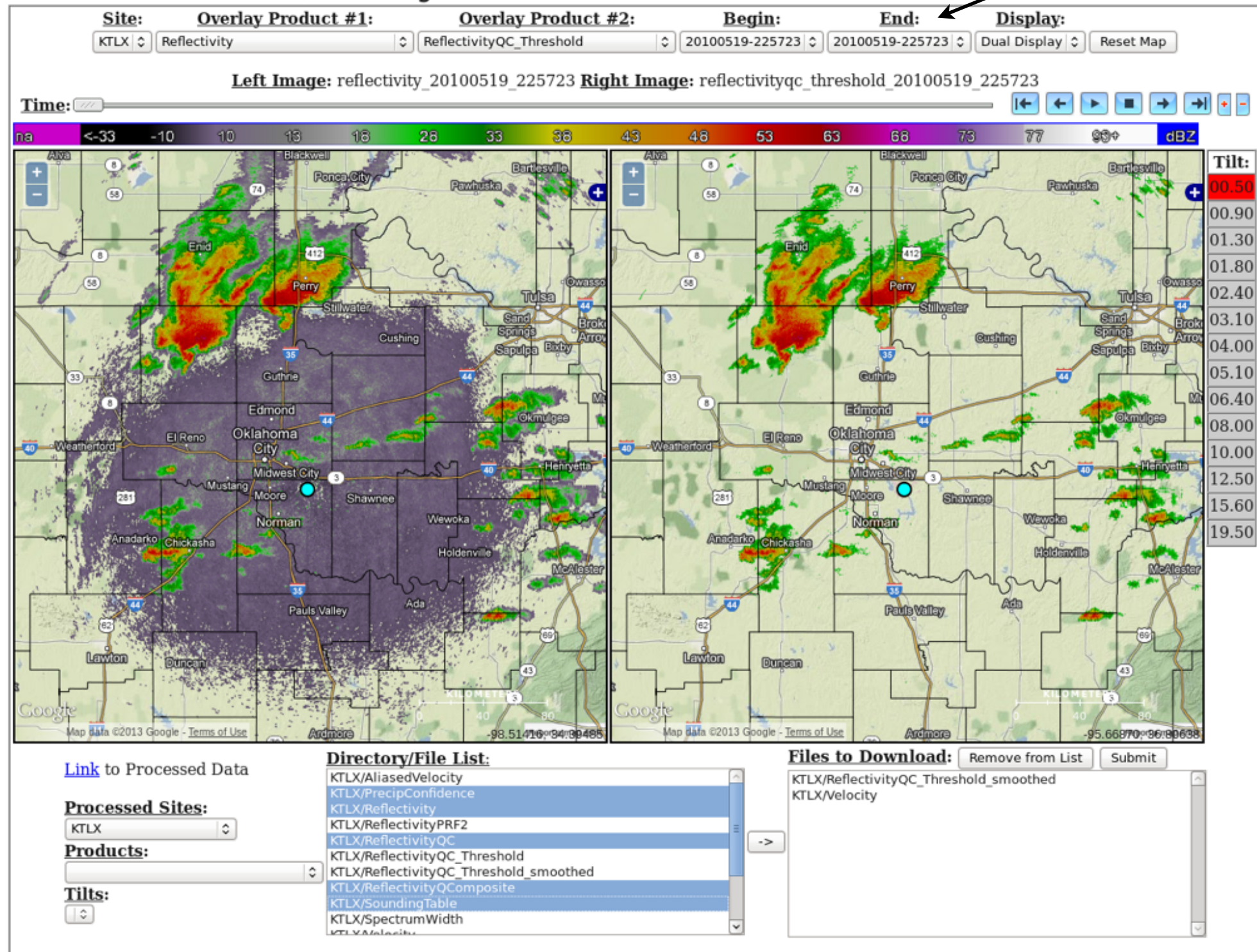


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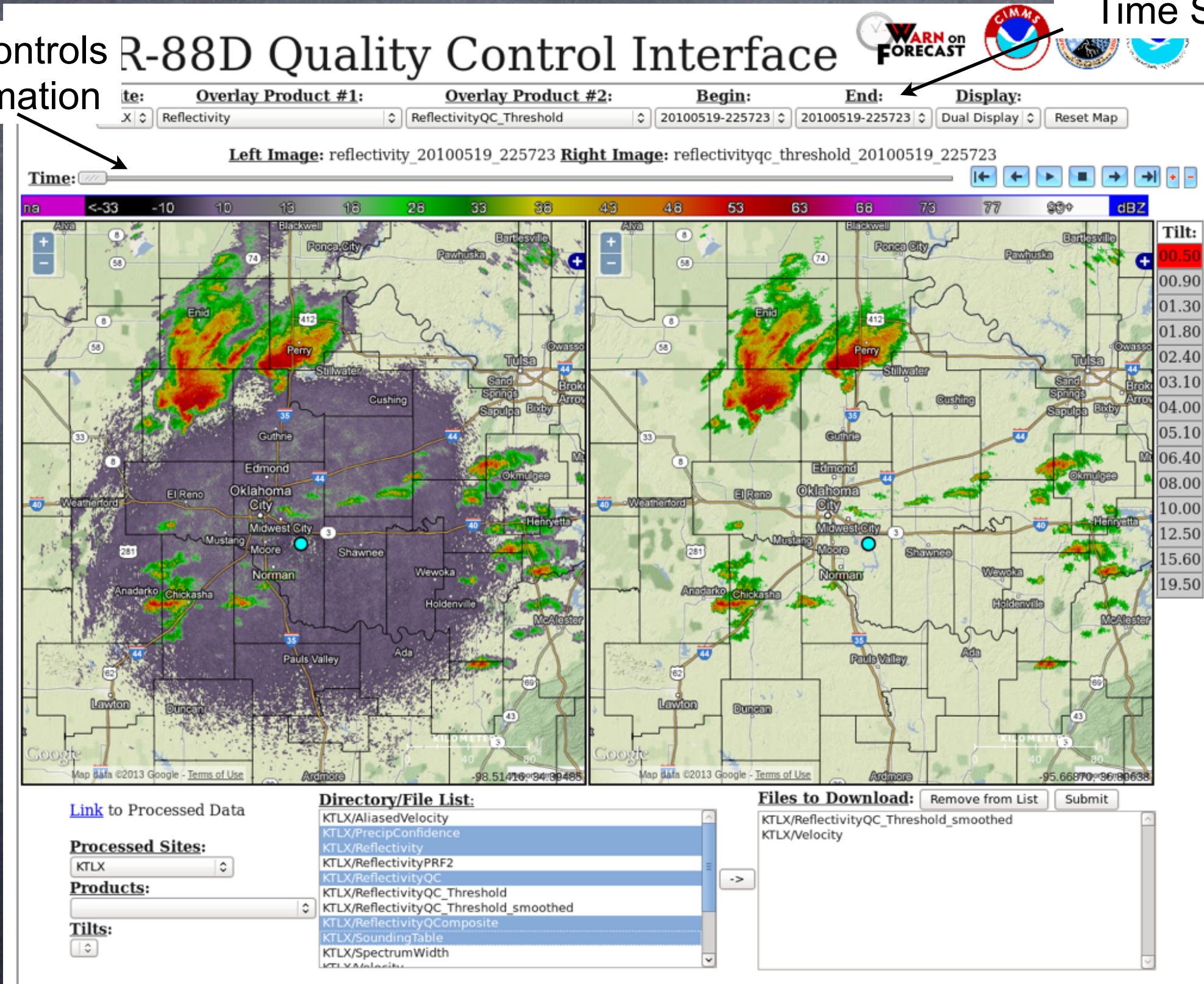
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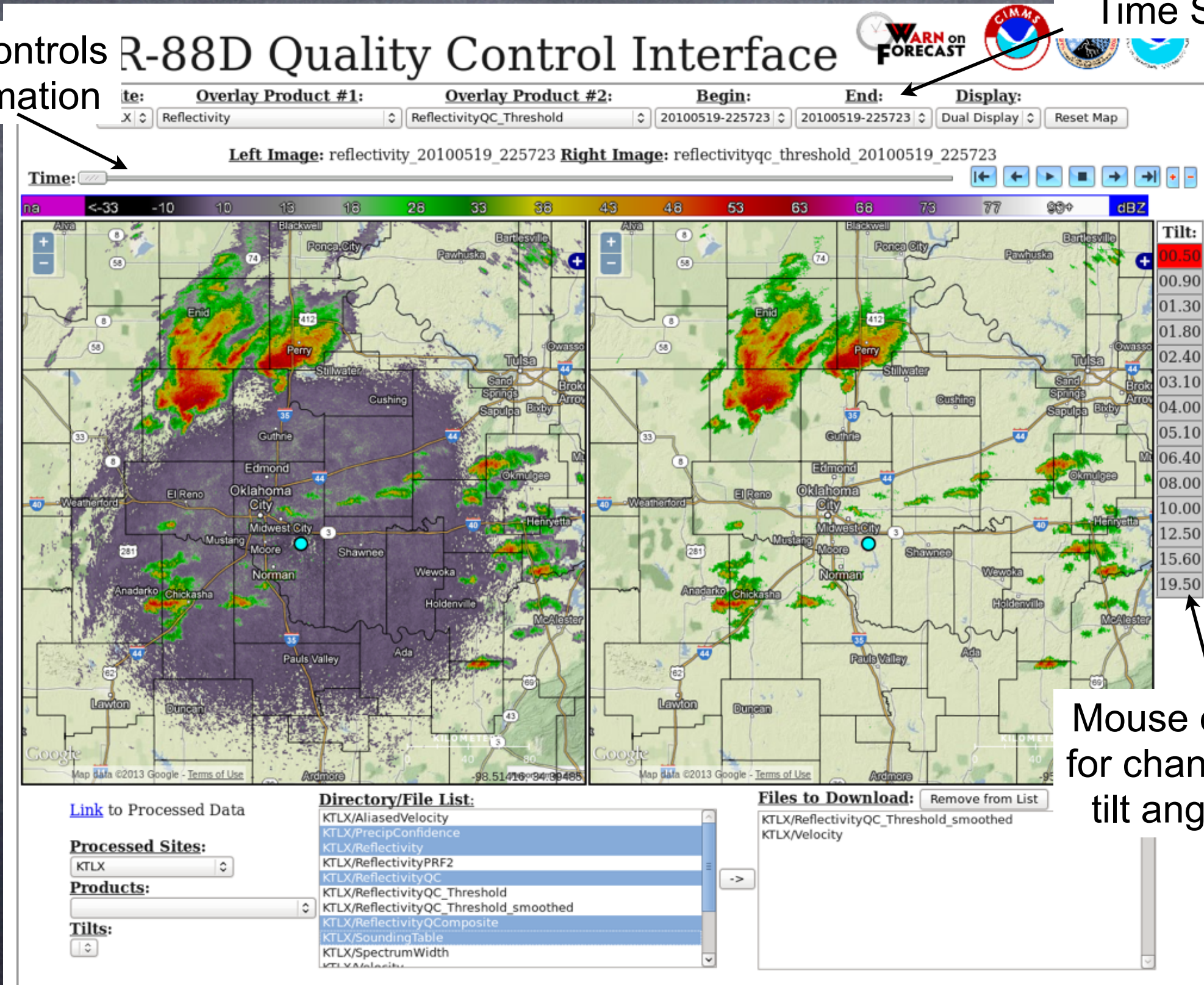
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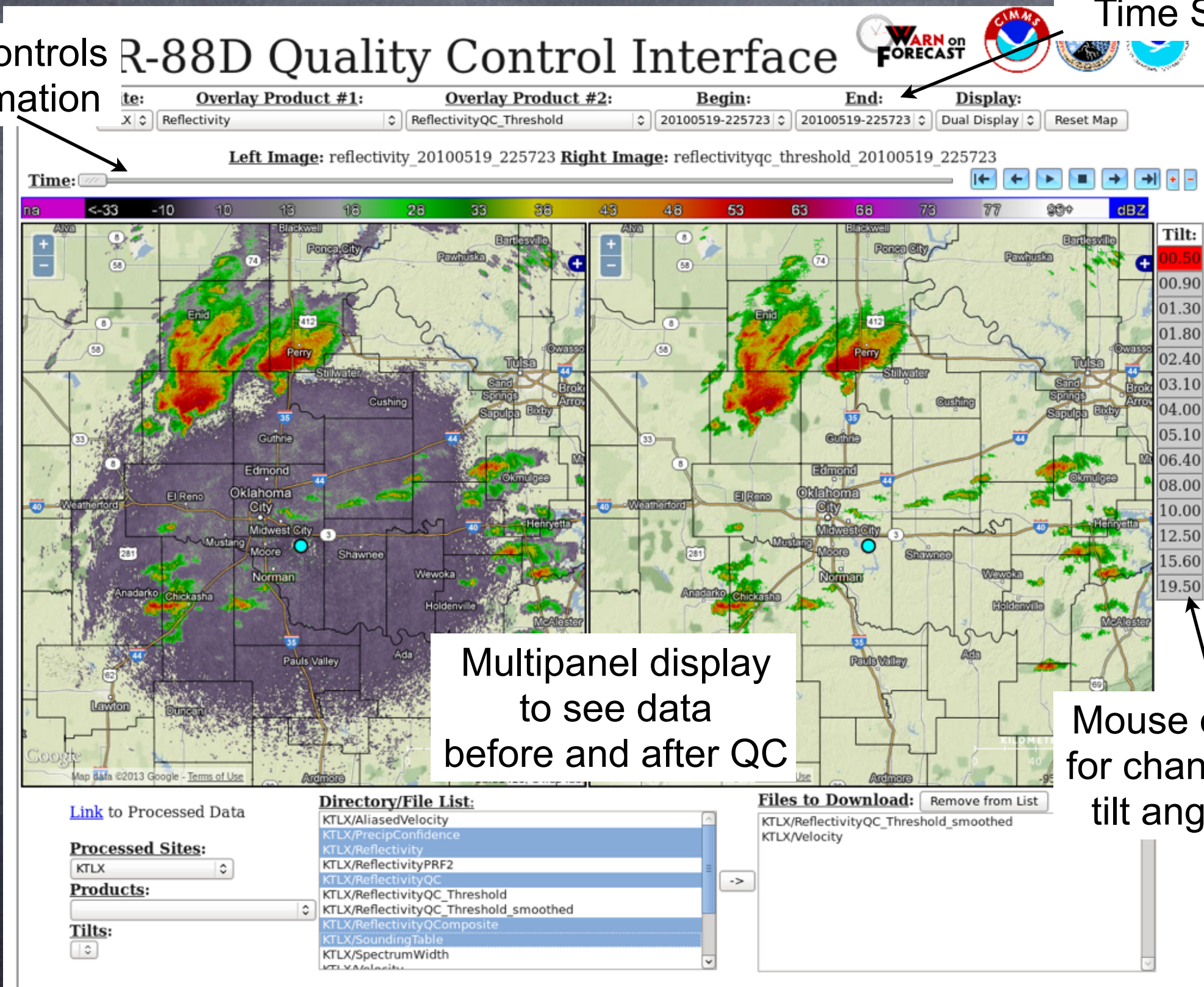
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Options: [Documentation](#)

☐ Standard VDA ([Elts & Smith 1990](#))

#2: WDSS-II Reflectivity QC (w2qcnn)

Options: [Documentation](#)

☐ -I (input reflectivity product)

☐ -V (input velocity product)

☐ -S (input spectrum width product)

#3: WDSS-II VDA (dealias2d)

Options:

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☐ -V (input velocity product)

☐ -W (input spectrum width product)

☒ -S (use NSE sounding, 2008-2011 only)

#4: AR-VAD / AR-Var (velocity qc)

Documentation: [Xu et al. 2010](#), [Xu et al. 2011](#),
[Xu et al. 2012](#), [Xu et al. 2013](#)

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#5: WDSS-II Threshold (w2threshold)

Options: [Documentation](#)

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☒ -t (radial set that thresholding is based on)

☒ -v (value below which to threshold)

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Warn-on-Forecast Research Model Output

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Model: Warn-on-Forecast Mesoscale Ensemble Area: FULL DOMAIN Date: 29 May 2012 - 12Z

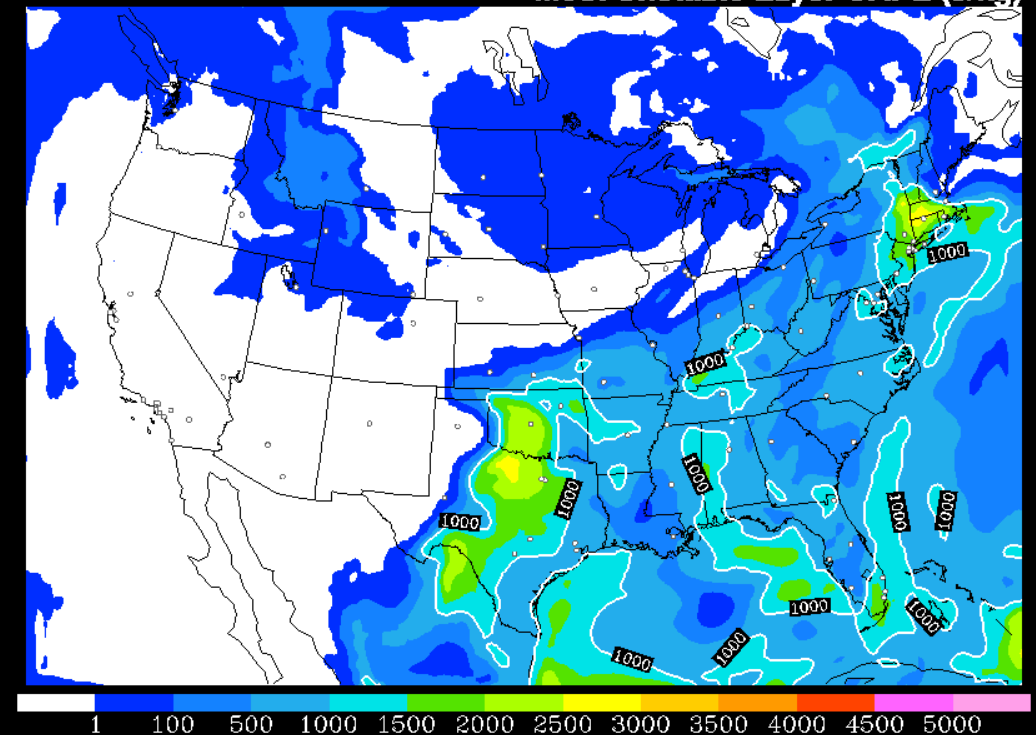
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WoF Mesoscale Ensemble Mean 05/29/2012 (12:00) Analysis Valid 05/29/2012 20:00 UTC Most Unstable Layer CAPE (J/kg)



N-M-E is a research project
work in progress
may not be always available

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- **Why bother doing this?**

- wanted experience with running RT system in our group.
- WoF-TTP is a multiscale problem: need BECs at stormscale
- eventually will downscale to 3 km ensemble
 - in-house generation from N-M-E for new case studies
 - get ready for the GSD HRRRe system
- enhance our collaboration with GSD

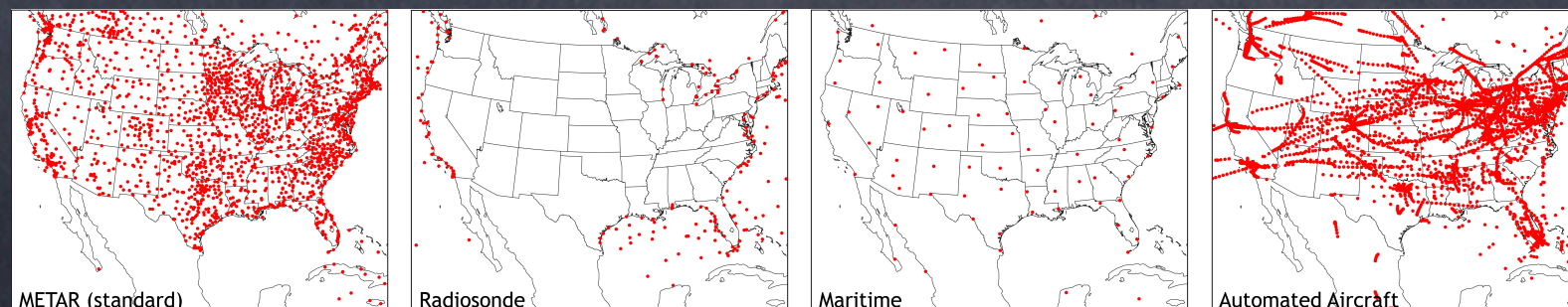
- **WRF (ARW)**

- Mesoscale data assimilation on CONUS domain
- 20-km horizontal grid spacing; 51 vertical levels
- Mean initial and boundary conditions from the NAM forecast cycle starting at 1200 UTC



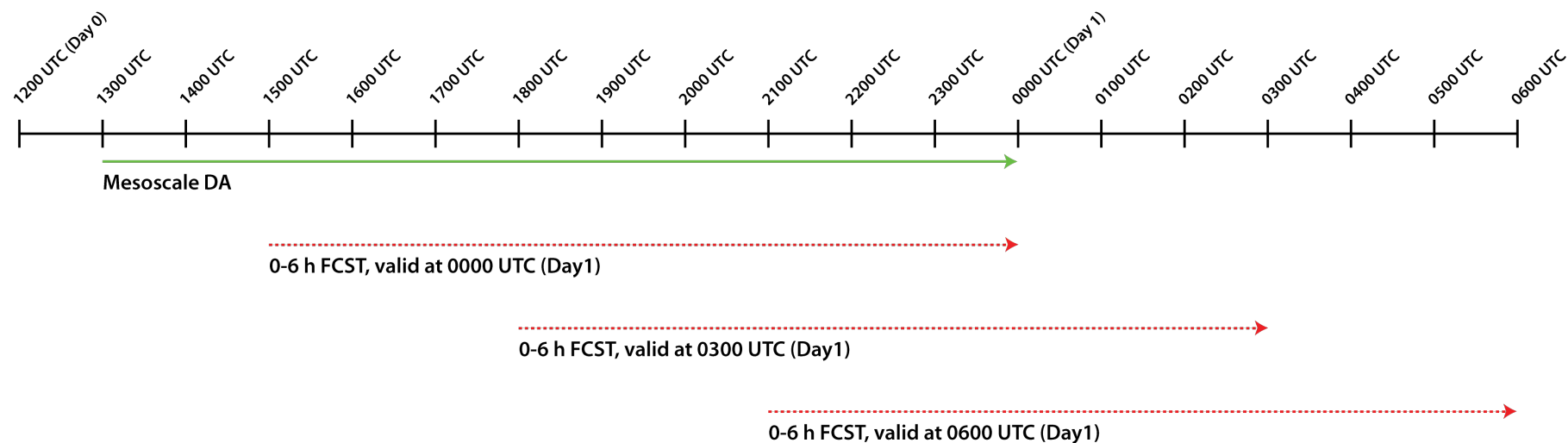
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- 36-member ensemble
 - Efforts made to mitigate initial condition uncertainty and model error...
 - IC/BC perturbations from WRF-Var (see Torn et al. 2006)
 - Physics diversity
 - Microphysics: NSSL 1-moment
 - Cumulus: Kain-Fritsch, Grell, Tiedtke
 - Land surface: Noah
 - Shortwave radiation: Dudhia
 - LW/SW radiation: RRTM/Dudhia, RRTMG/RRTMG, Goddard/Goddard
 - PBL: YSU, MYJ, MYNN, ACM
- Mesoscale data assimilation
 - p (land-surface altimeter), T, T_d, u, v (see observation platforms below)



NSSL-Mesoscale-Ensemble (N-M-E)

- Hourly mesoscale analyses from 1200 UTC (Day 0) to 0000 UTC
- Goal: 0-9 hour 20 km ensemble forecasts launched at 1500, 1800, and 2100 UTC



Other Work

- LETKF for radar assimilation
 - Thompson, Wang, Wicker
 - Better analyses/forecasts for Vr/dBZ assimilation than EnKF (not Vr only)
- Continued microphysics development (Mansell)
 - full 3M scheme
 - Lightning
 - Bin microphysics implemented

Summary

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Questions?