# forecast\_20100524140000Z\_run001

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- Entity and Attribute Information
- Metadata Reference Information

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digital data

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#### Description:

#### Abstract:

The Vortex2 project (http://www.vortex2.org/home/) supported 100 scientists using over 40 science support vehicles participated in a nomadic effort to understand tornados. For the six weeks from May 1st to June 15th, 2010, scientists went roaming from state-to-state following severe weather conditions. With the help of meteorologists in the field who initiated boundary conditions, LEAD II

(https://portal.leadproject.org/gridsphere/gridsphere) delivered six forecasts per day, starting at 7am CDT, creating up to 600 weather images per day. This information was used by the VORTEX2 field team and the command and control center at the University of Oklahoma to determine when and where tornadoes are most likely to occur and to help the storm chasers get to the right place at the right time. VORTEX2 used an unprecedented fleet of cutting edge instruments to literally surround tornadoes and the supercell thunderstorms that form them. An armada of mobile radars, including the Doppler On Wheels (DOW) from the Center for Severe Weather Research (CSWR), SMART-Radars from the University of Oklahoma, the NOXP radar from the National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL), radars from the University of Massachusetts, the Office of Naval Research and Texas Tech University (TTU), 12 mobile mesonet instrumented vehicles from NSSL and CSWR, 38 deployable instruments including Sticknets (TTU), Tornado-Pods (CSWR), 4 disdrometers (University of Colorado (CU)), weather balloon launching vans (NSSL, NCAR and SUNY-Oswego), unmanned aircraft (CU), damage survey teams (CSWR, Lyndon State College, NCAR), and photogrammetry teams (Lyndon State Univesity, CSWR and NCAR), and other instruments. This paricular

collection contains namelist.input, cape.zip, radar\_max.zip, radar\_min.zip, precip.zip, surface.zip, updraft helicity.zip, vorticity.zip, pressureLevels.zip, skewT.zip, xsec.zip, and wrfout d01 2010-05-24 13 00 00.nc. namelist is configuration file of WRF. cape is short for Convective Available Potential Energy, a measure of the instability in an air mass. cape.zip is the visualization of cape and contains 24 png files. radar\_max is Maximum Range and in some contexts this is the maximum value of radar reflectivity in a grid column, radar max.zip is the visualization of radar max and contains 12 png files. radar min is Minimum Range and in some contexts this is the minimum value of radar reflectivity in a grid column. radar min.zip is the visualization of radar min and contains 12 png files, precip is short for Precipitation, the sum of the rain, snow and hail in given in liquid equivalent depth. precip.zip is the visualization of precip and contains 13 png files. surface is meteorological parameters on the earth's surface, or in a model on the first level above the ground. surface.zip is the visualization of surface and contains 14 png files. updraft helicity is the dot product of the vertical velocity and the vertical vorticity. It is presented as a summation over a 3-km depth. updraft\_helicity.zip is the visualization of updraft helicity and contains 14 png files, vorticity is the localized rotation of the air. In model plots it is often the vertical component of vorticity, the rotation of the horizontal winds. vorticity.zip is the visualization of vorticity and contains 28 png files. pressureLevels is Atmospheric Pressure on different layers of the Atmospher. pressureLevels.zip is the visualization of pressureLevels and contains 56 png files. skewT offers an almost instantaneous snapshot of the atmosphere from the surface to about the 100 millibar level. In the skew-T the pressure lines are horizontal and the temperature lines are skewed from the vertical coordinate, xsec is is the cross section, xsec,zip is the visualization of xsec and contains 45 png files. wrfout d01 2010-05-24 13 00 00 is computational result of WRF.

#### Purpose:

This data was created to provide fine-grained, hourly forecasts for the Vortex2 scientists (see abstract for more details)

#### Supplemental\_Information:

The input data for this forecast includes the following: Rapid Update Cycle (RUC) data downloaded from NOAA with a 13km resolution, for forecast date 20100524 at 11Z, with data for hourly offsets from 03 to 15. The file format for this input data is grib. The forecast is initialized based on ARPS Data Analysis System (ADAS) Real-time meteorological data assimilation netgrdbas files with CONUS coverage at 10km resolution produced hourly by CAPS at Oklahoma University that uses the netCDFfile format. The data is for 20100524 at 13Z.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:* 

*Time\_Period\_Information:* 

Single\_Date/Time:

Calendar\_Date: 20100524 Time of Day: 140000

Currentness\_Reference: ground condition

Status:

Progress: Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None planned

# Spatial\_Domain:

Description\_of\_Geographic\_Extent: Bounding\_Coordinates:

West\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -105.7492 East\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -94.25079 North\_Bounding\_Coordinate: 45.78868 South\_Bounding\_Coordinate: 36.61132

# Keywords:

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*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* none *Theme\_Keyword:* skewT

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Place:

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* none Place\_Keyword: Delight, NE, USA

Access\_Constraints: None Use Constraints: None

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*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:* 

*Detailed\_Description:* 

Entity\_Type:

Entity\_Type\_Label: grid *Entity\_Type\_Definition:* 

> forecast configuration. FORTRAN namelist parameters for configuring the grid size, grid spacing, and duration of the WRF forecast used to generate these files. These parameters are a small set that are used in multiple workflow stages of the forecast. Additional configuration is done through FORTRAN namelist files for each workflow stage.

Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:

http://www.caps.ou.edu/ARPS/ARPS5DOC/arps2wrf.pdf

Attribute:

Attribute\_Label: run\_start\_date

Attribute Definition:

Wall clock start date

Attribute\_Definition\_Source:

LEAD project -- http://pti.iu.edu/d2i/leadII-home

Attribute\_Domain\_Values:

Range\_Domain:

Range\_Domain\_Minimum: 05/24/2010

#### Attribute:

Attribute\_Label: ForecastHour
Attribute\_Definition:
 the "duration" of the forecast
Attribute\_Definition\_Source:
 LEAD project -- http://pti.iu.edu/d2i/leadII-home
Attribute\_Domain\_Values:

## Range\_Domain:

Range\_Domain\_Minimum: 13
Range\_Domain\_Maximum: 13
Attribute\_Units\_of\_Measure: hours

#### Attribute:

Attribute\_Label: ctrlat Attribute\_Definition:

Center latitude coordinates of the target grid for the experiment. CTRLAT is expressed in degrees north

Attribute\_Definition\_Source:

http://www.caps.ou.edu/ARPS/ARPS5DOC/arps2wrf.pdf *Attribute\_Domain\_Values:* 

# Range\_Domain:

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Attribute\_Units\_of\_Measure: degrees north

#### Attribute:

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Attribute\_Definition:
 grid length in x direction, unit in meters
Attribute\_Definition\_Source:
 http://www.caps.ou.edu/ARPS/ARPS5DOC/arps2wrf.pdf
Attribute\_Domain\_Values:

# Range\_Domain:

Range\_Domain\_Minimum: 4000 Range\_Domain\_Maximum: 4000 Attribute\_Units\_of\_Measure: meter

#### Attribute:

Attribute\_Label: dy
Attribute\_Definition:
grid length in y direction, unit in meters

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Attribute\_Domain\_Values:

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Center longitude coordinates of the target grid for the experiment. CTRLON is expressed in degrees east

Attribute\_Definition\_Source:

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Attribute\_Definition\_Source:
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Attribute Domain Values:

#### Range\_Domain:

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# Attribute\_Units\_of\_Measure: wall clock time

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Dimension size of WRF grid in Y direction

Attribute\_Definition\_Source:

## Range\_Domain:

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Attribute\_Units\_of\_Measure: number of grid points

#### Attribute:

Attribute\_Label: Forecast\_start\_hour

Attribute\_Definition:

the logical start hour of the forecast

Attribute\_Definition\_Source:

LEAD project -- http://pti.iu.edu/d2i/leadII-home

Attribute\_Domain\_Values:

# Range\_Domain:

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Range\_Domain\_Maximum: 14
Attribute\_Units\_of\_Measure: Z time

#### Attribute:

Attribute\_Label: nx

Attribute\_Definition:

Dimension size of WRF grid in X direction

Attribute\_Definition\_Source:

http://www.caps.ou.edu/ARPS/ARPS5DOC/arps2wrf.pdf

Attribute\_Domain\_Values:

# Range\_Domain:

Range\_Domain\_Minimum: 203
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Attribute\_Units\_of\_Measure: number of grid points

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*Metadata\_Contact:* 

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# Contact\_Organization\_Primary:

Contact\_Organization: Data To Insight Center

# Contact\_Address:

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Contact\_Voice\_Telephone: (812)345-1065

Metadata\_Standard\_Name: FGDC Content Standard for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata\_Standard\_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

Metadata\_Time\_Convention: universal time

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