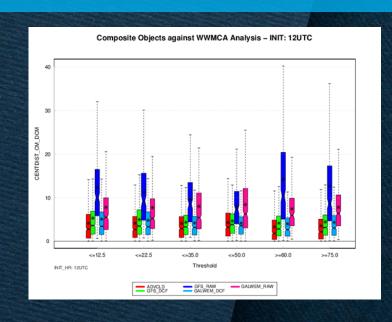
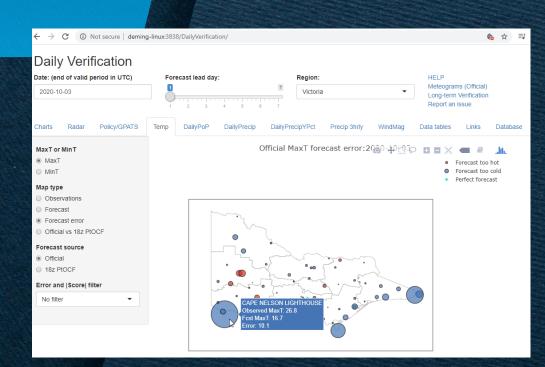


# New Capability For Forecast Verification

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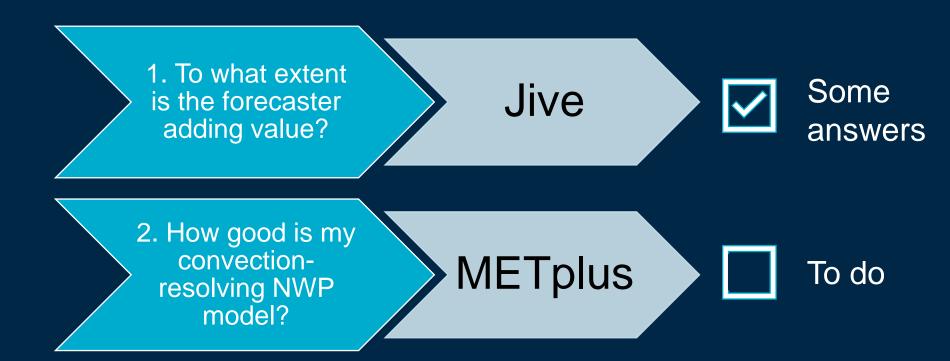
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### Questions For Which We Needed New Capability





### Problem: Lack of Tools and Data



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...also lack of shared tools



## Question 1 – To what extent is the forecaster adding value?



Changing meteorologist roles

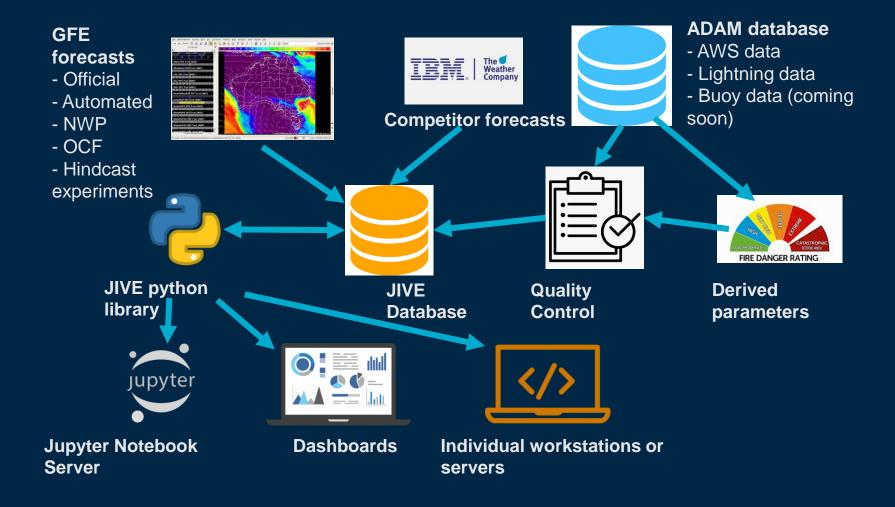


### Verification+Automation Incremental Improvement

- 1. Define forecast quality
  - 2. Build verification tools
  - 3. Build automated forecast system
  - 4. Hindcast experiments
  - 5. Evaluate and compare
  - 6. Operationalize



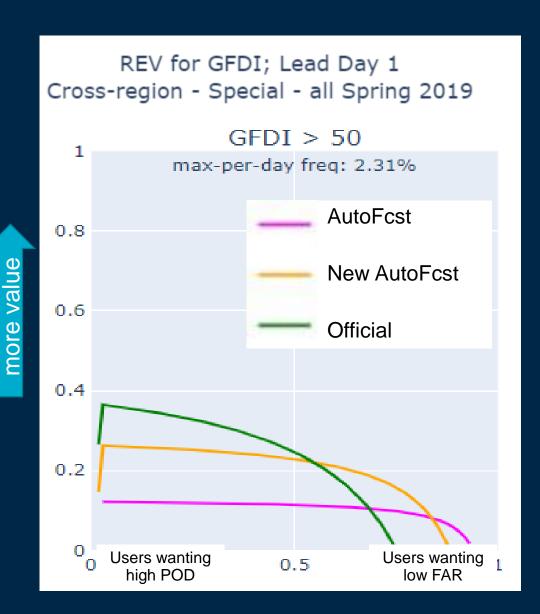
### Jive Interactive Verification Environment





#### Benefits

- Informed improvements to post-processed forecast guidance
- Informed improvements to GFE tools and automated forecast
- Promoted changing forecast culture and practices
- Informed Standard Operating Procedures
- Forecasters can get feedback on their forecasts
- Has provided a contemporary framework for KPI generation





= C2 win

= Evens

## Question 2 – How good is my convection-resolving NWP model?

C2 & C3 verification performed for Dec, Mar, Apr for all six domains.

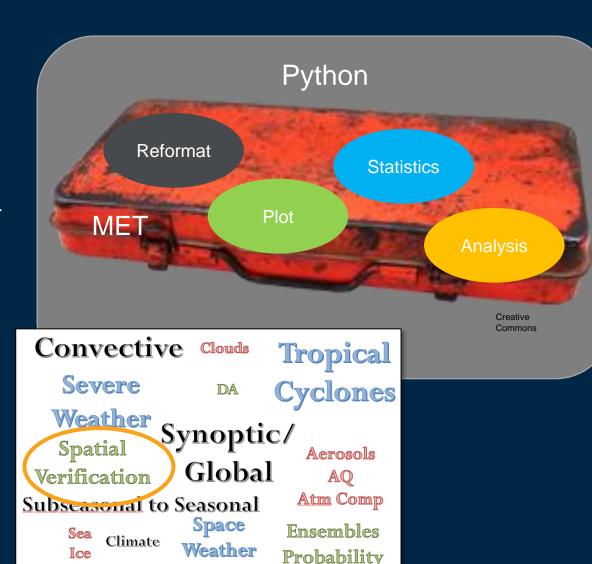
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#### MET = Model Evaluation Tools

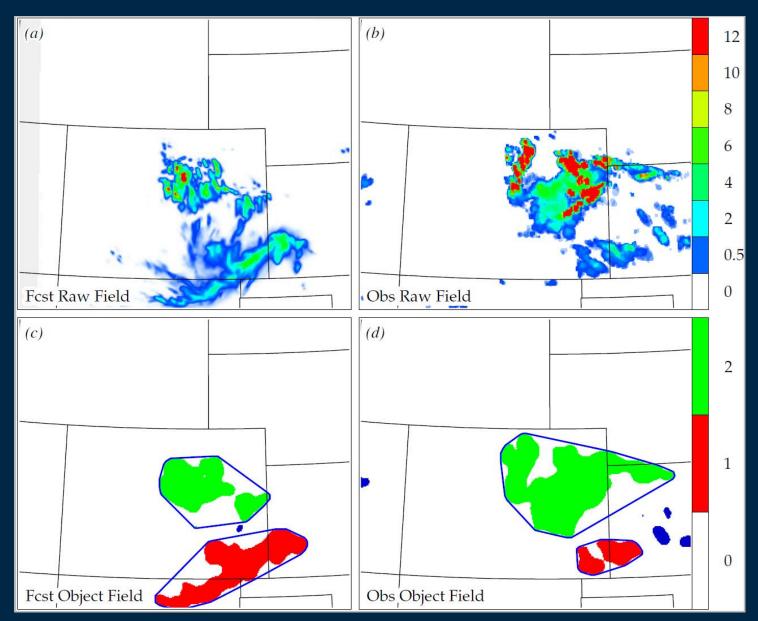
### METplus = MET + Python

- Development Testbed Center (DTC), since 2008
- "A state-of-the-art suite verification package for the NWP community"
- Modular
- Gridded forecasts & gridded or point obs
- Mainly C/C++
- Python wrappers around MET to simplify use
- And more e.g. database & display systems
- Freely available
- 3500+ users including UK MetOffice





## **Spatial Verification - Precipitation**





## Complimentary Systems

	Jive	METplus
Python enabled	Yes	Yes
Observation quality control (basic)	Yes	No
GFE hindcast experiments	Yes	No
Site forecast verification	Yes	No
Bespoke verification in web notebooks	Yes	No
Grid-based verification	Some	Yes
Spatial verification methods	No	Yes
TC track verification	No	Yes
Verification dashboards	Yes	Yes



## The Future

Public Services Transformation Program:

- **Jive**: expand and make it BoM supported system
- **METplus**: preliminary use e.g. NAS, "City" models



Forecast Quality System: future BoM verification approach and investments

Weather analytics ecosystem including Jive and METplus