

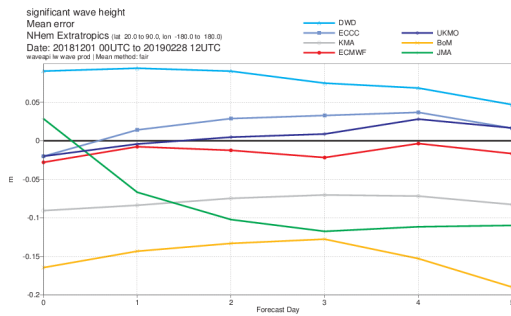
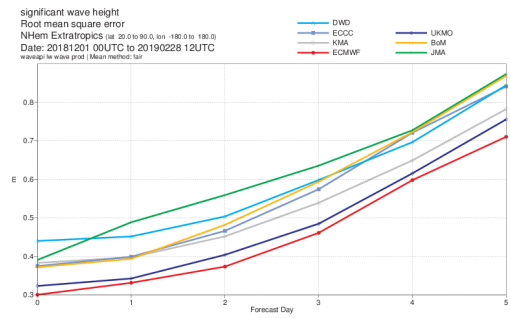
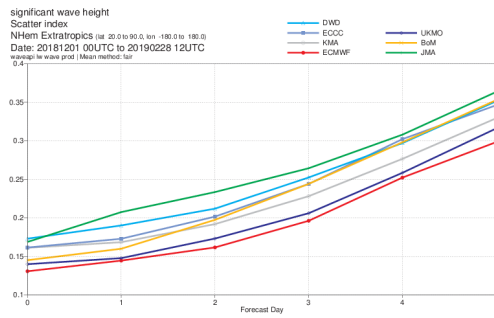
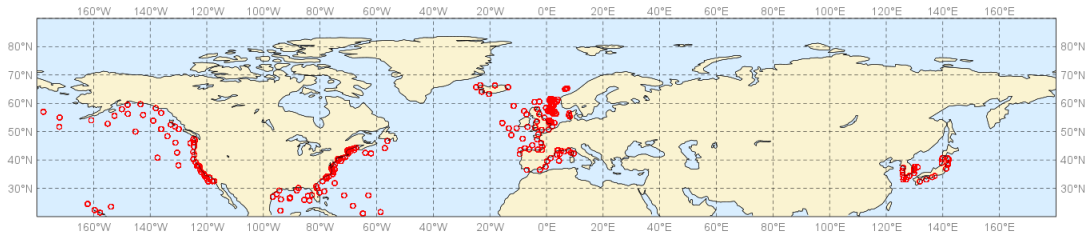
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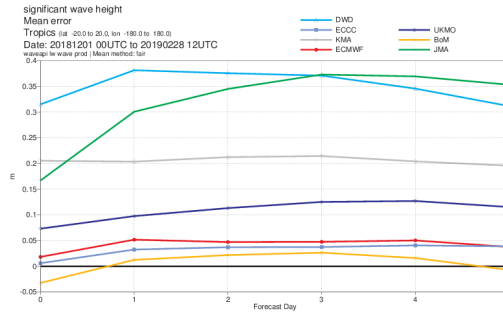
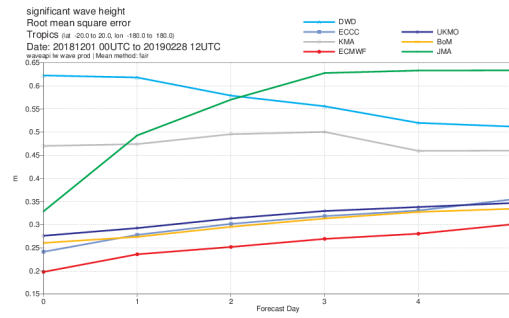
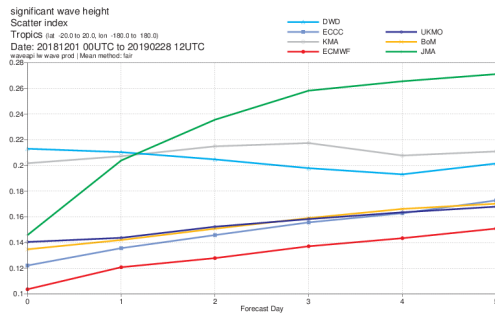
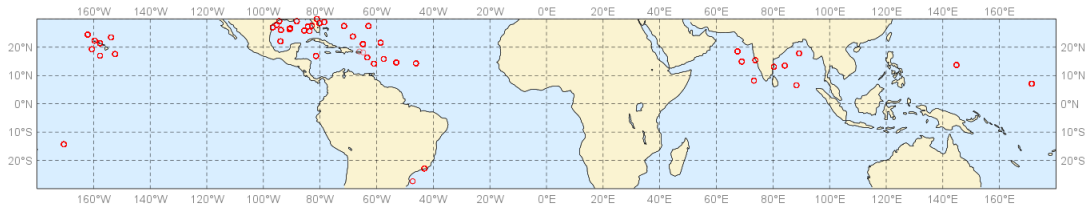
**PART I: significant wave height (SWH)**

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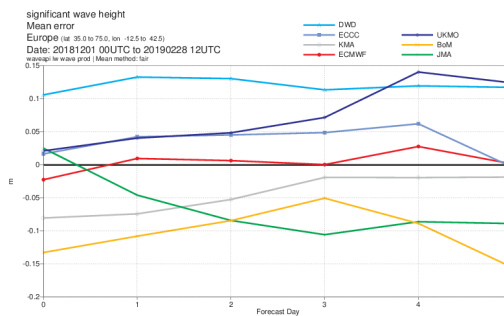
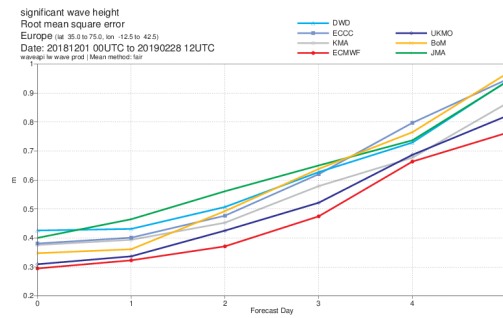
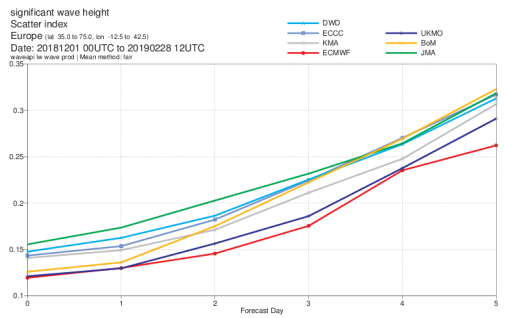
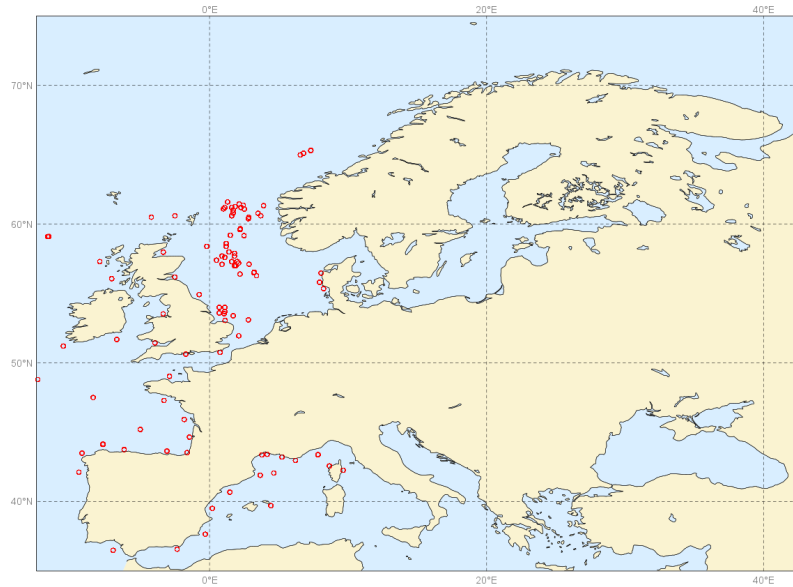
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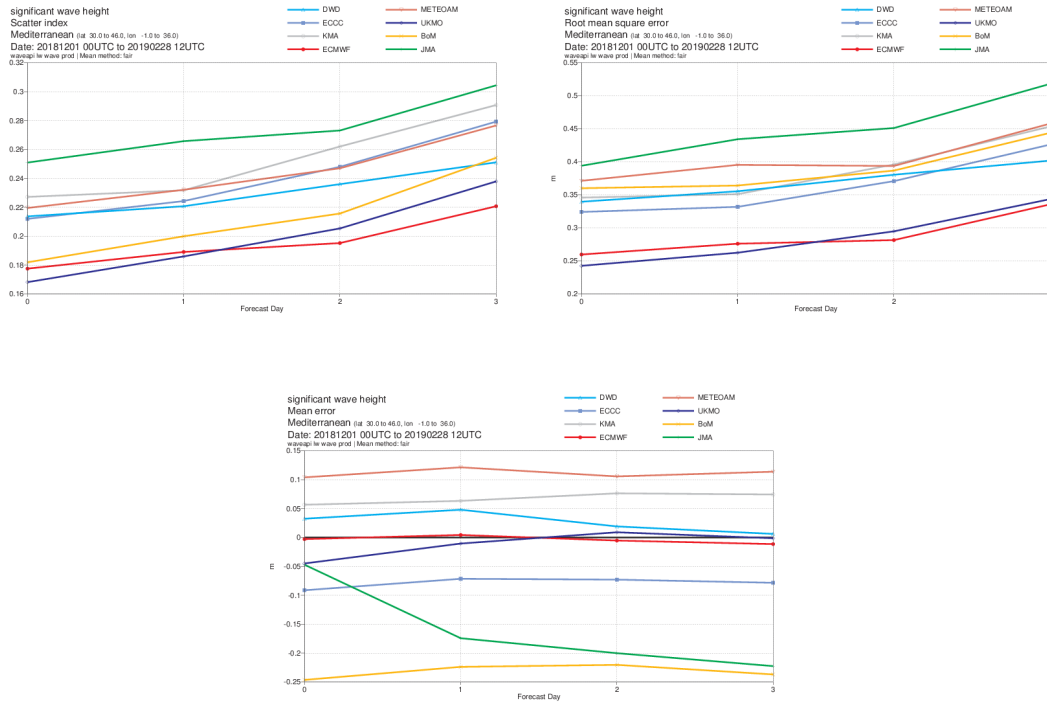
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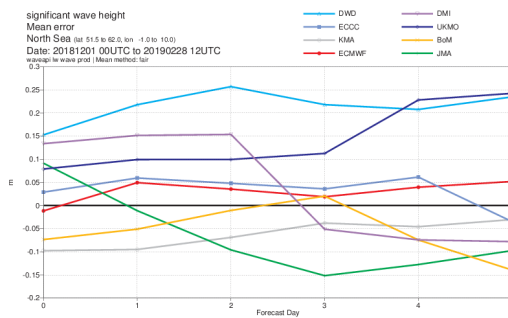
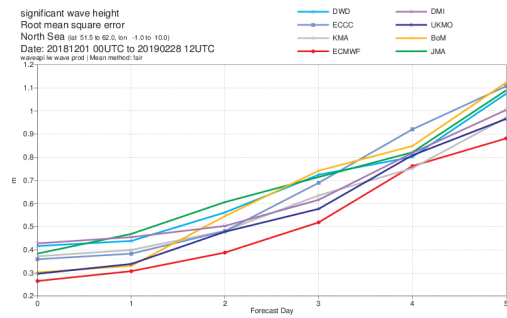
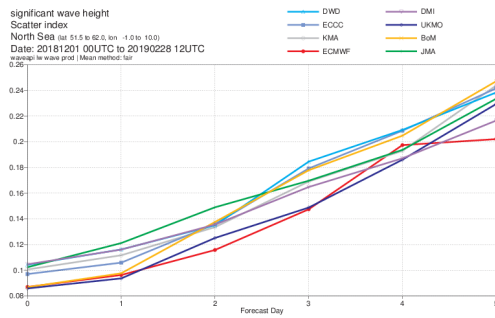
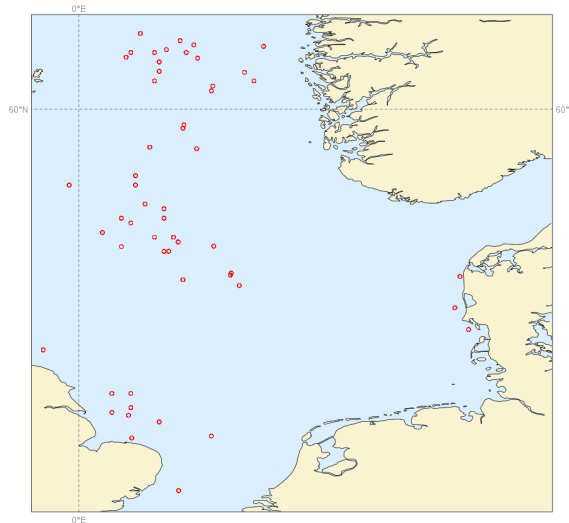
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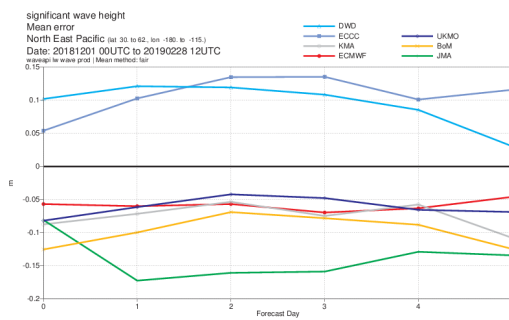
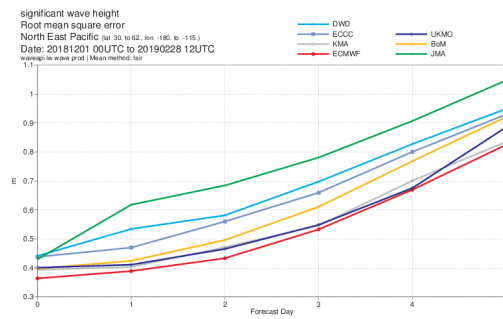
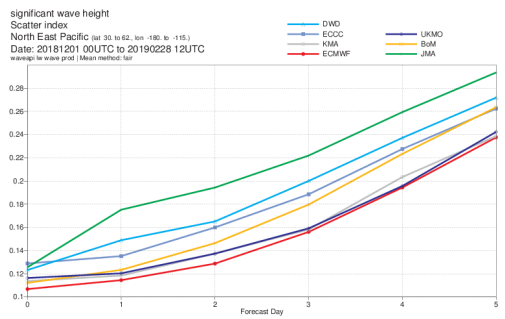
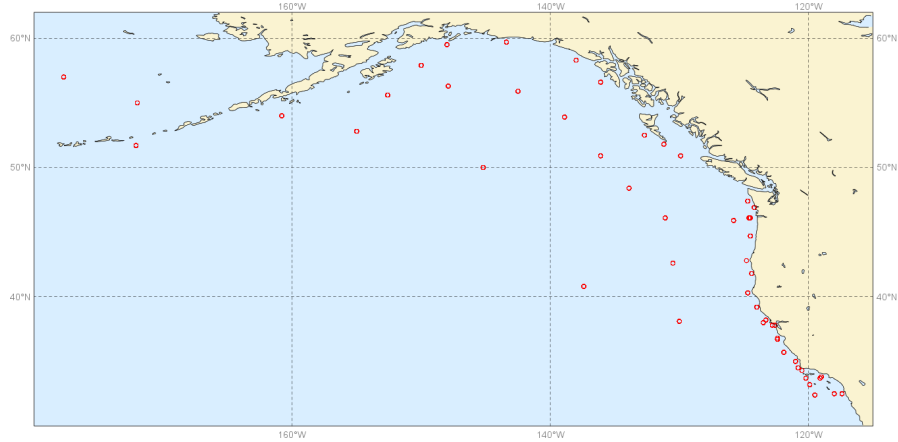
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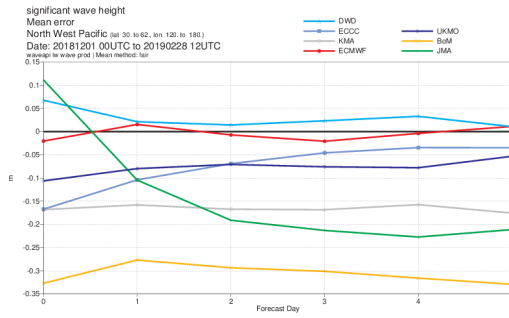
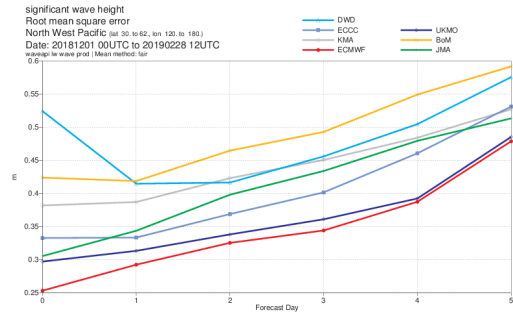
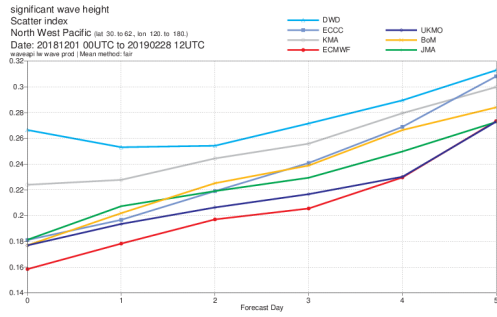
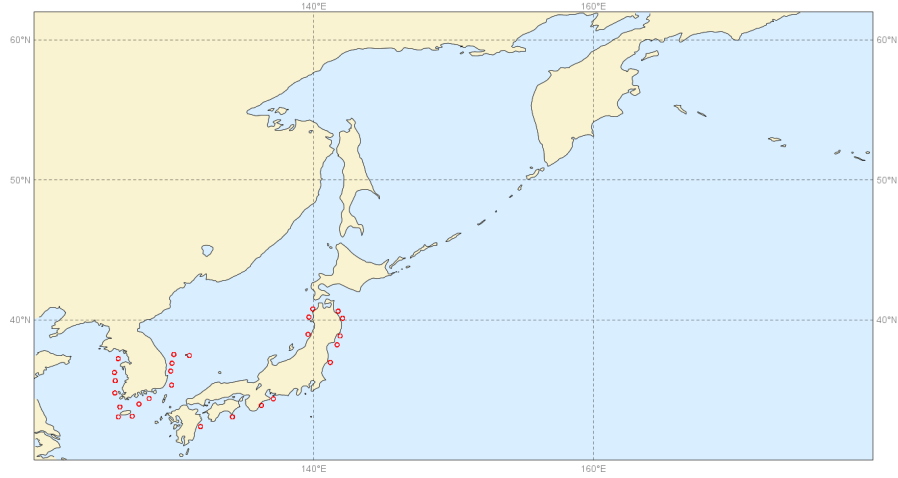
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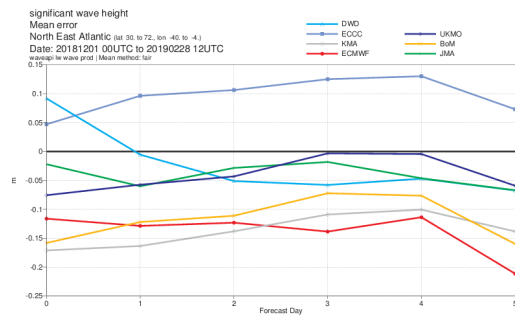
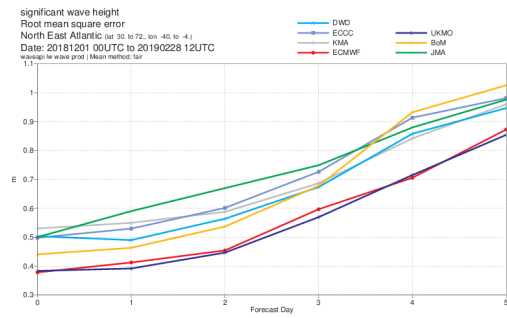
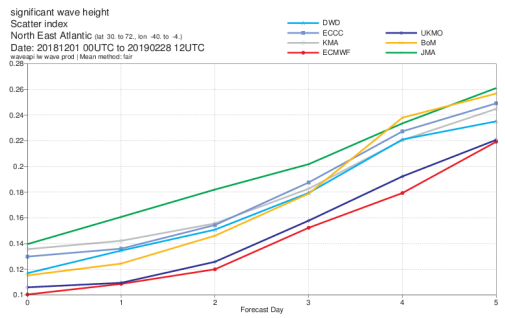
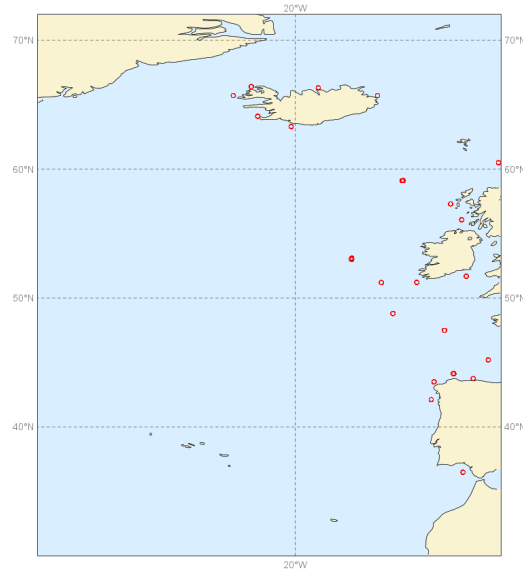
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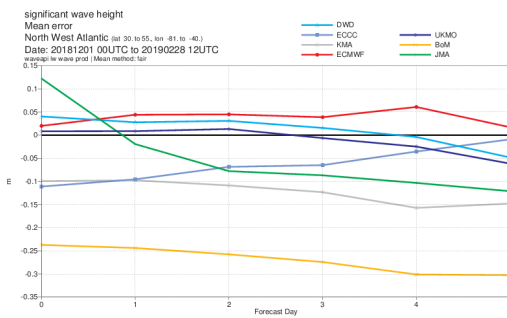
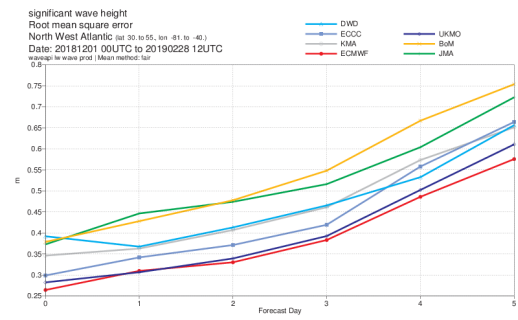
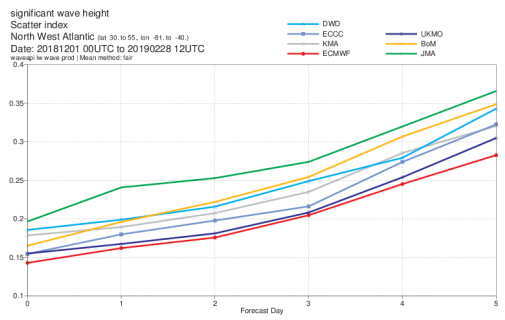
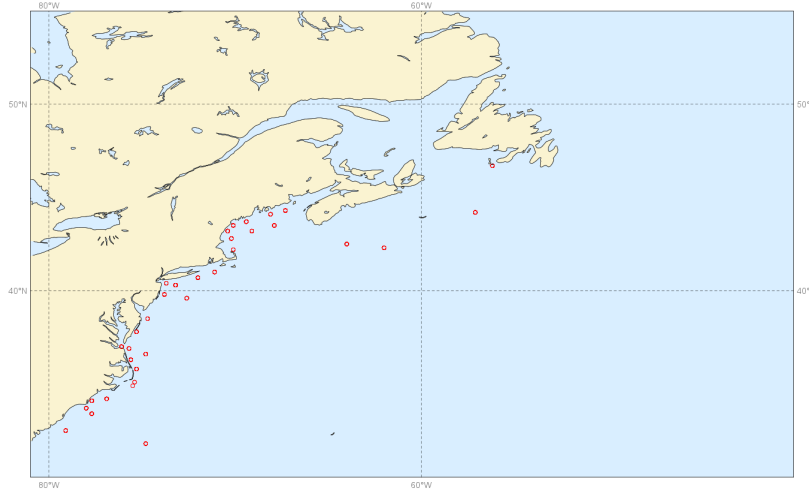


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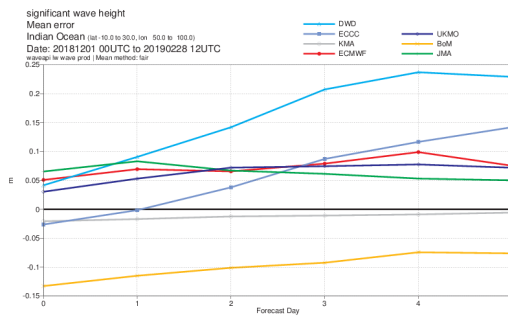
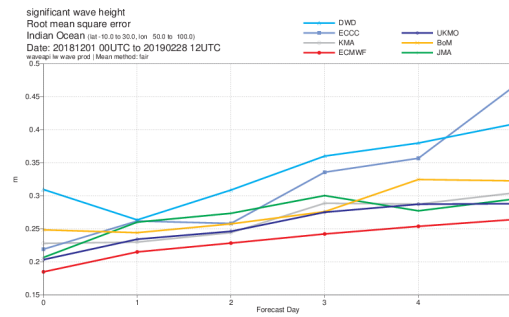
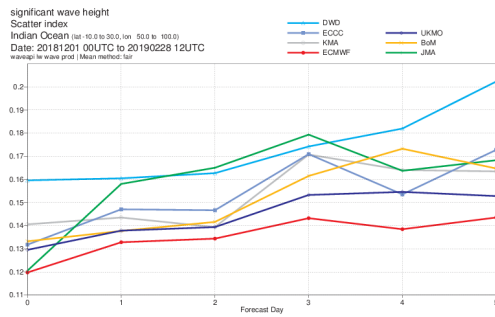
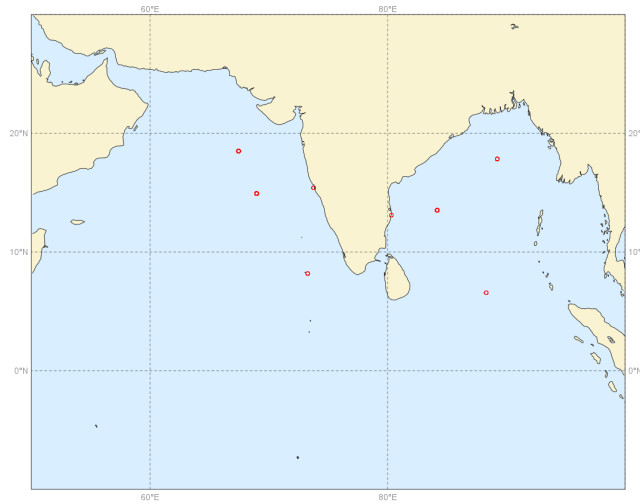
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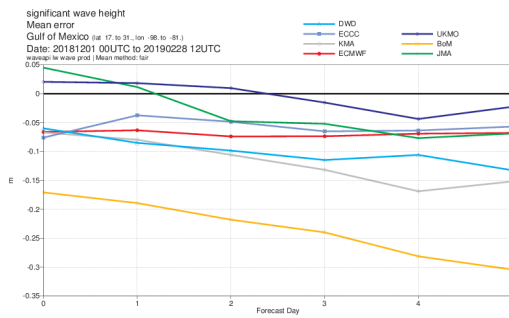
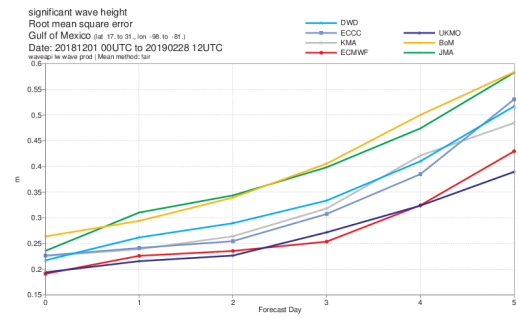
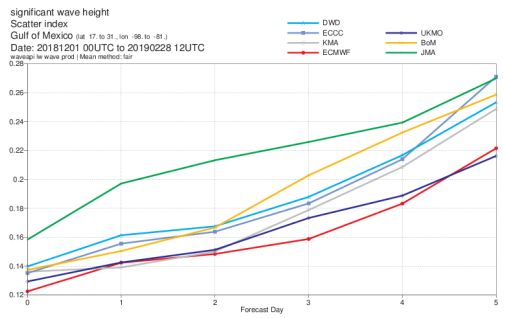
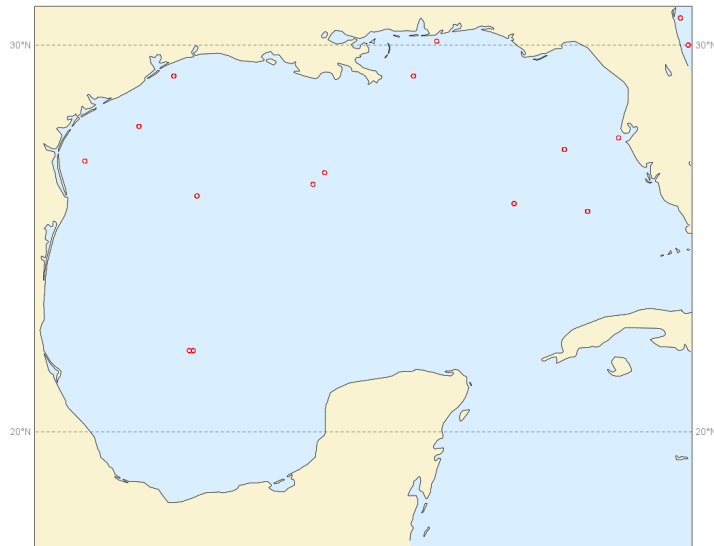
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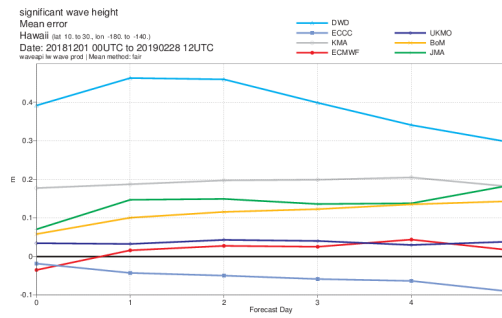
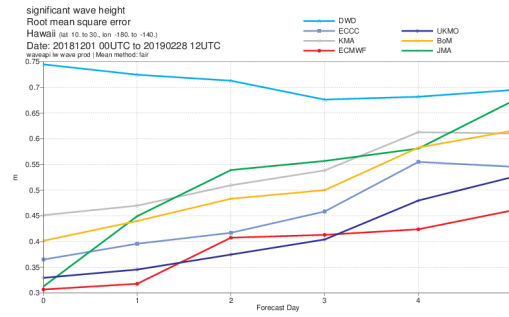
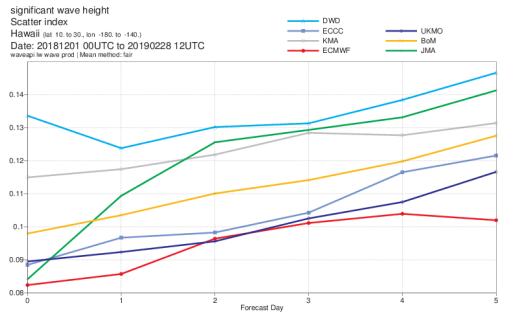
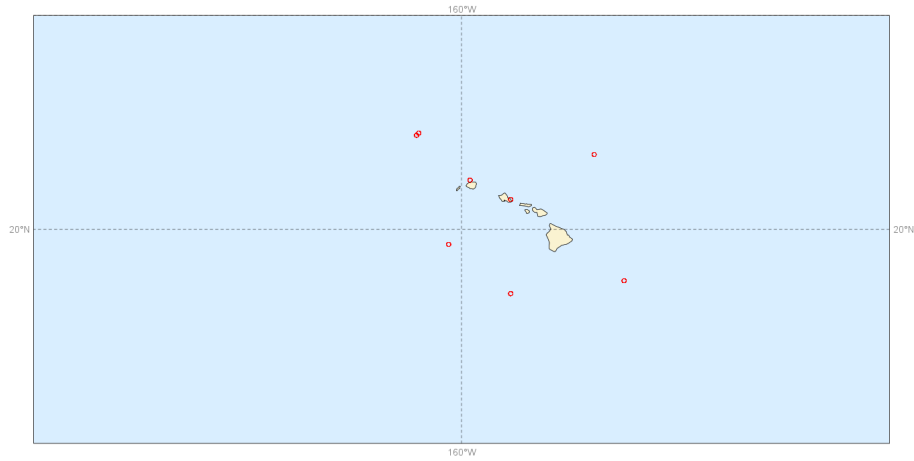
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**Gulf of Mexico.** Top panel: observation distribution. Middle left panel: Forecast scatter index (standard deviation of the difference normalised by the mean of the observations). Middle right panel: Forecast root mean square error (RMSE). Bottom panel: forecast mean error (bias).

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**Hawaii.** Top panel: observation distribution. Middle left panel: Forecast scatter index (standard deviation of the difference normalised by the mean of the observations). Middle right panel: Forecast root mean square error (RMSE). Bottom panel: forecast mean error (bias).