

# Mechanics of running HWRF

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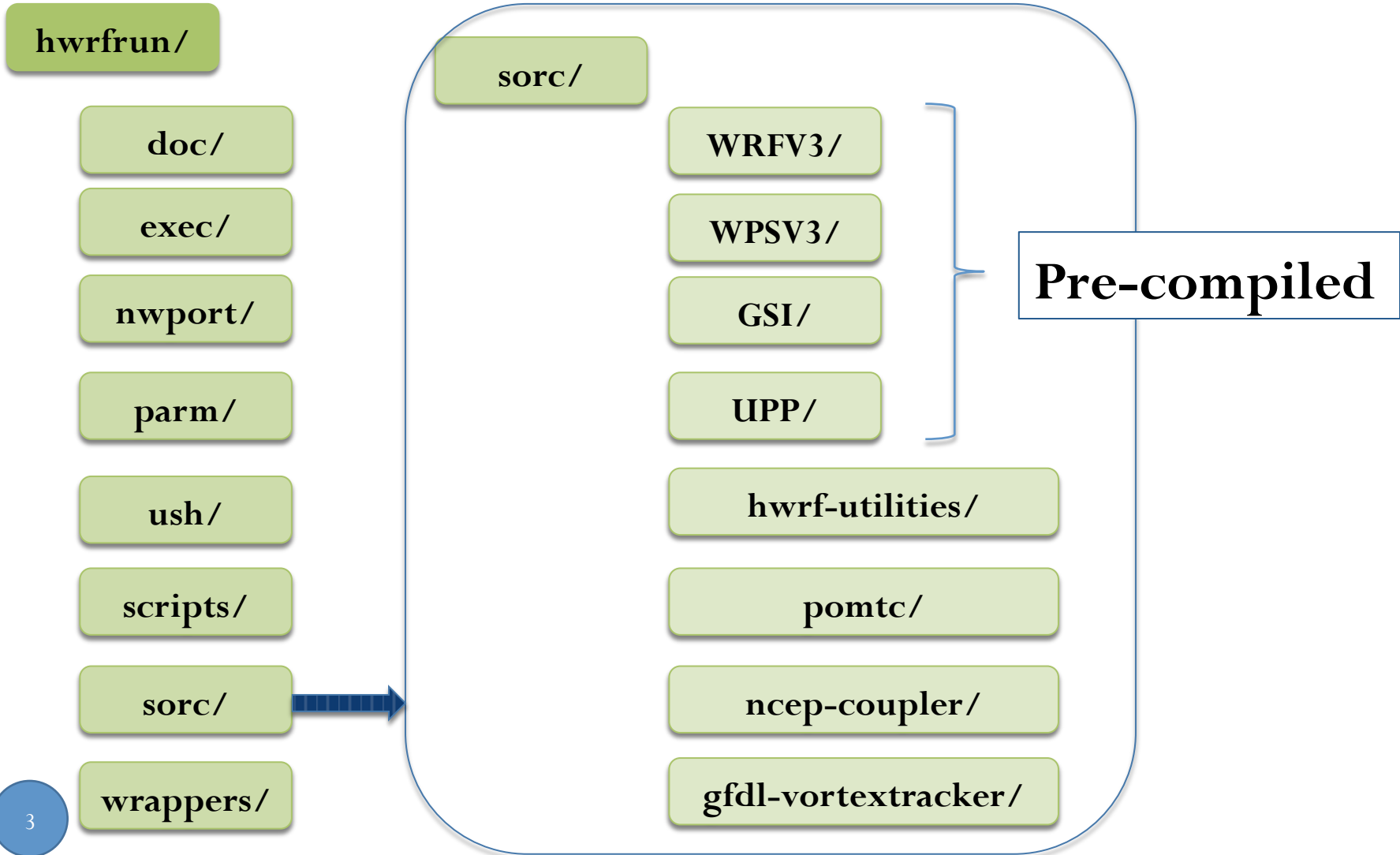
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# Directory Structure

# Source code structure



# Input data structure

fix/

```
bogus          hwrft_cpat.ice      hwrft_cpat.moddef  hwrft_cpat.wind
hwrft_crtm-2.0.6  hwrft_crtm-2.2.0  hwrft_crtm-2.2.1  hwrft_disclaimer.txt
hwrft_eta_micro_lookup.dat  hwrft_fix_datestamp  hwrft_pom  hwrft_storm_20
hwrft_storm_25  hwrft_storm_cyn_axisy_47  hwrft_storm_cyn_axisy_50_ep  hwrft_storm_radius
hwrft_track  hwrft_wps_geo  hwrft_wrf  loop_curr
```

Fix files for GSI, Ocean, WPS, CRTM

gfs.2014101412/

```
gfs.t12z.1bamua.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.goesfv.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.sf06  gfs.t12z.sf24  gfs.t12z.sf72
gfs.t12z.1bh4s4.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.gpsro.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.sf102  gfs.t12z.sf30  gfs.t12z.sf78
gfs.t12z.1bmhs.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.mtiasi.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.sf108  gfs.t12z.sf36  gfs.t12z.sf84
gfs.t12z.airsev.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.pgrb2.0p25.f000  gfs.t12z.sf114  gfs.t12z.sf42  gfs.t12z.sf90
gfs.t12z.atms.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.prepbufr.nr  gfs.t12z.sf12  gfs.t12z.sf48  gfs.t12z.sf96
gfs.t12z.cris.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.sanl  gfs.t12z.sf120  gfs.t12z.sf54  gfs.t12z.sfcant
gfs.t12z.esamua.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.satwnd.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.sf126  gfs.t12z.sf60
gfs.t12z.esamub.tm00.bufr_d  gfs.t12z.sf00  gfs.t12z.sf18  gfs.t12z.sf66
```

GFS spectral, obs for parent and sfc analysis for ocean

gdas.2014101406/

```
gdas1.t06z.abias  gdas1.t06z.pgrb2.1p00.f003  gdas1.t06z.pgrb2.1p00.f009  gdas1.t06z.sf06
gdas1.t06z.abias_pc  gdas1.t06z.pgrb2.1p00.f006  gdas1.t06z.sf03  gdas1.t06z.sf09
```

3,6,9 GDAS output from previous cycle for nest init

enkf.2014101406/

```
sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem001  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem021  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem041  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem061
sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem002  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem022  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem042  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem062
sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem003  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem023  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem043  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem063
sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem004  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem024  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem044  sfg_2014101406_fhr06s_mem064
```

GFS 80 member ensemble files for DA

tdr.08l.2014101412/

Tail Doppler Radar data not present for this case

loop/

```
hwrft_gfdl_loop_current_rmy5.dat.20141012  hwrft_gfdl_loop_current_wc_ring_rmy5.dat.20141012
```

Loop current for ocean init

SYNDAT-PLUS/

```
syndat_tc_vitals.2014
TC vitals
```

# Configuring Experiment

# HWRF Configuration

- Most configurable options are controlled by variables that live within the parm/ directory in conf files
- Four primary conf files control all options and required for each run and are called in the following order
  - hwrf\_input.conf
  - hwrf.conf
  - hwrf\_holdvars.conf
  - hwrf\_basic.conf
- Users can create their own conf files (recommended for alternate configurations) and add them to the launcher

# hwrf\_input.conf

- Contains sections that specifies where to get input data. The hwrf.input classes read this to figure out where to pull data and where to put on disk.
- For this tutorial data is staged on disk

```
[jet_hist_PROD2014]
inputroot2014=/lfs3/projects/hwrf-data/hwrf-input    ;; Input root location
inputroot=/lfs3/projects/hwrf-data/hwrf-input      ;; Input root location
...
```

Location of files

```
[gfs2014_naming]
gfs_sf      = gfs.t{aHH}z.sf{fahr:02d}    ;; GFS spectral forecast
gfs_sfcanl  = gfs.t{aHH}z.sfcanl         ;; GFS surface analysis
...
```

Names of files

# hwrf.conf

- Contains all the namelist-type parameters for all components

## Fix file location

```
[dir]
geog_data={FIXhwrf}/hwrf_wps_geo/ ;; Geographic input data
FIXgsi={FIXhwrf}/hwrf-gsi/    ;; GSI input data for everything except CRTM
FIXcrtm={FIXhwrf}/hwrf-crtm-2.2.1/ ;; GSI CRTM input data
```

## GSI namelist

```
[gsi_d02_nml]
HYBENS_REGIONAL=T ;; logical variable, if .true., then turn on hybrid
ensemble option
ENSEMBLE_SIZE_REGIONAL=80 ;; ensemble size
```

## WRF namelist

```
[wrf_namelist]
physics.var_ric = 1.0
physics.coef_ric_l = 0.16
```



# hwrf.conf ... Contd.

## WPS Namelist

```
[wps_namelist]
share.wrf_core = 'NMM',
geogrid.map_proj = 'rotated_ll',
geogrid.geog_data_path = "{FIXhwrf}/hwrf_wps_geo/"...
```

## WRF namelist

```
[moad_namelist]
physics.mp_physics = 5
physics.ra_lw_physics = 4
...
```

## Location of executables

```
[exe]
wgrib={utilexec}/wgrib ;; wgrib GRIB1 indexing and manipulation program
cnvgrib={utilexec}/cnvgrib ;; cnvgrib GRIB1/2 conversion program
...
```

To see a full list of sections included in this file, type  
`grep "^\[\" hwrf.conf`

# hwrf\_basic.conf

- The configuration file responsible for setting directory paths to which the later conf files refer
- Assumes another file has set CDSCRUB, CDSAVE, syndat and CDNOSCRUB variables in the [dir] section
- Configures the workflow-related variables in [config] section

[config]	workflow-related variables
[prelaunch]	configures overrides for default settings
[sanity]	configures sanity checks
[dir]	directory paths
[archive]	archiving locations and methods

# hwrf\_basic.conf

[config]

forecast\_length=12 ;; Length of the forecast in hours

run\_gsi=yes ;; GSI and FGAT initialization

run\_ocean=yes ;; POM coupling

...

use\_spectral=yes

...

[dir]

WORKhwrf={CDSCRUB}/{RUNhwrf}/{vit[YMDH]}/{vit[stormid3]} -- Main working directory

/glade/scratch/\${USER}/pytmp/hwrfun/2014101412/08L

HOMEhwrf={CDSAVE}/{EXPT} -- Main HWRf installation top directory

/glade/scratch/\${USER}/HWRf\_v3.7a/hwrfun

com={CDSCRUB}/{RUNhwrf}/com/{vit[YMDH]}/{vit[stormid3]} -- COM directory for communication between cycles: COMIN env

/glade/scratch/\${USER}/pytmp/hwrfun/com/2014101412/08L



# hwrf\_v3.7release.conf

- A fifth conf file is provided for the community release
- Set the exact configuration you need
  - Run GSI?
  - Use Spectral files?
  - Change physics options
  - Location of input data staged on disk
  - And many more

```
[config]
input_catalog=comm_hist → Use data staged on disk
archive=none
publicrelease=yes
run_ensemble_da=no
scrub=no
```

# hwrf\_v3.7release.conf .. Contd.

```
[dir]
inputroot=PATH/TO/INPUT/DATA
## Syndat directory for finding which cycles to run
syndat={inputroot}/SYNDAT-PLUS
## Output root is the desired output location for HWRf runs
outputroot=PATH/TO/DESIRED/OUTPUT
## Non-scrubbed directory for track files, etc.
CDNOSCRUB={outputroot}/noscrub
## Scrubbed directory for large work files.
CDSCRUB={outputroot}/pytmp
## Save directory. Must be the parent directory of the HWRf install
CDSAVE=/PATH/TO/HWRf/PARENT

[comm_hist]
inputroot=/PATH/TO/INPUT/DATA/
gfs={inputroot}/gfs.{aYMDH}/
gdas1={inputroot}/gdas1.{aYMDH}/
...

[exe]
gsi={HOMEhwrf}/sorc/GSI/run/gsi.exe
post={HOMEhwrf}/sorc/UPP/bin/unipost.exe
```

TCVitals

Output Data

Input Data

Paths to Executables

# system.conf

- This is system specific configuration file for the machine you are running the jobs. In this tutorial we will use the one for NCAR's Yellowstone.

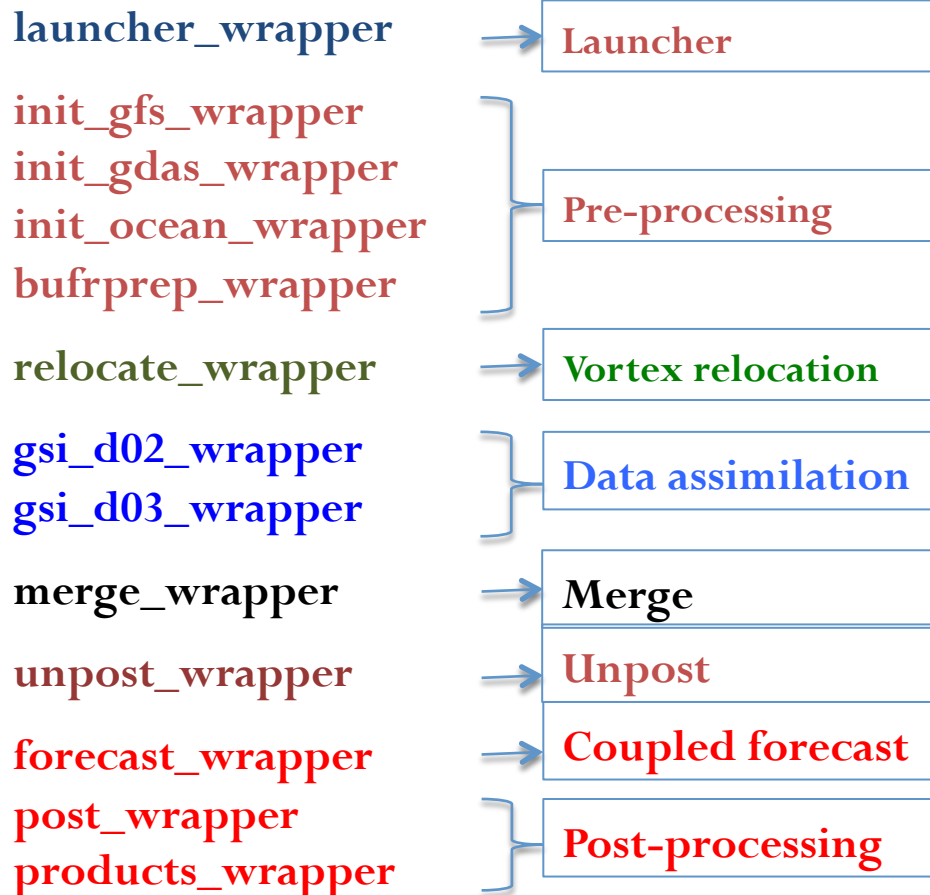
In  $\$ \{SCRATCH\} /hwrfrun/parm$

Link the `system.conf.yellowstone` to `system.conf`

# Wrappers for running HWRF

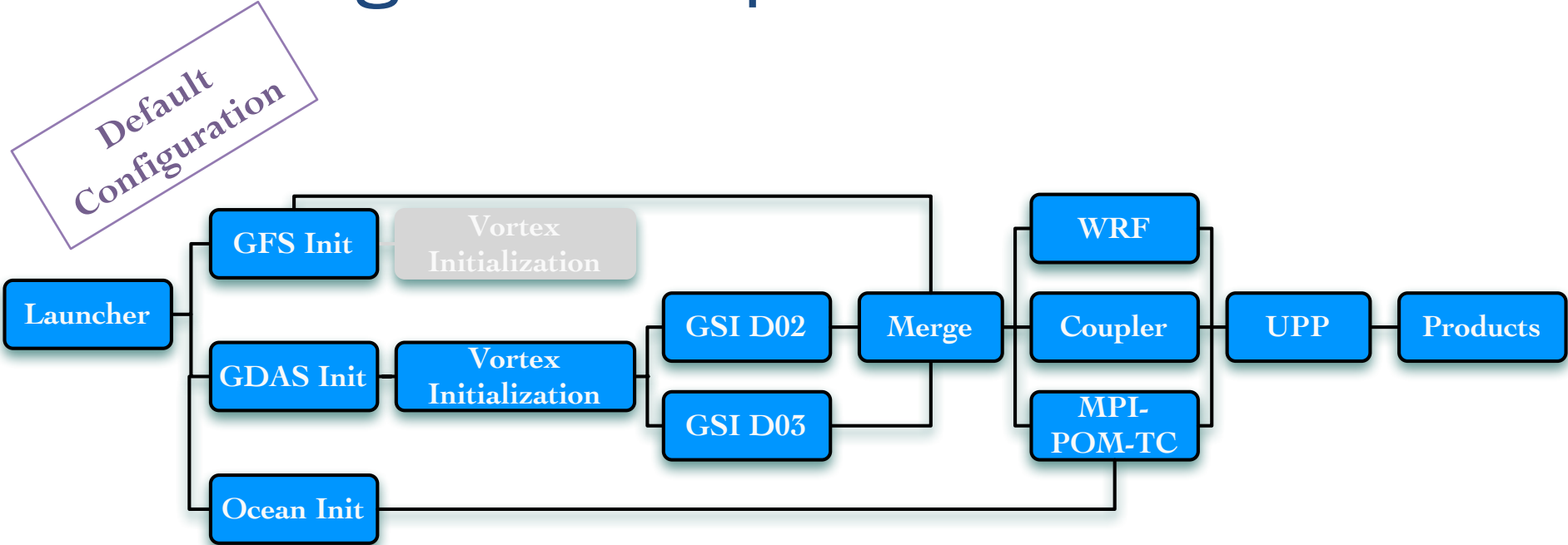
# Wrappers

- Wrappers are shell scripts that runs a single component of the HWRF system





# Configuration Options: Workflow



```
hwrwf_basic.conf
```

```
run_gsi=yes  
run_ocean=yes  
run_relocation=yes  
use_spectral=yes
```

# Wrappers: global\_vars.sh

- Each wrapper sources the global\_vars.sh file, which sets a few variables required by each component

```
##### Definition of the Storm #####
```

```
export START_TIME=2014101412    # Initial start date
export SID=08L                  # Storm ID
export CASE=HISTORY             # HISTORY OR FORECAST
```

```
##### Location of HWRP installation #####
```

```
export HOMEhwrp=/PATH/TO/HWRP/INSTALLATION
```

```
export EXPT=`echo ${HOMEhwrp} | rev | cut -d/ -f1 | rev`
```

```
##### File containing the case-specific variables defined in launcher #####
```

```
export startfile=${HOMEhwrp}/wrappers/${EXPT}-${START_TIME}-${SID}.start
```

# Wrappers: launcher\_wrapper

- launcher\_wrapper runs the exhwrf\_launch.py script, which is responsible for gathering configuration options, creating output directory structure, and writing storm1.conf.

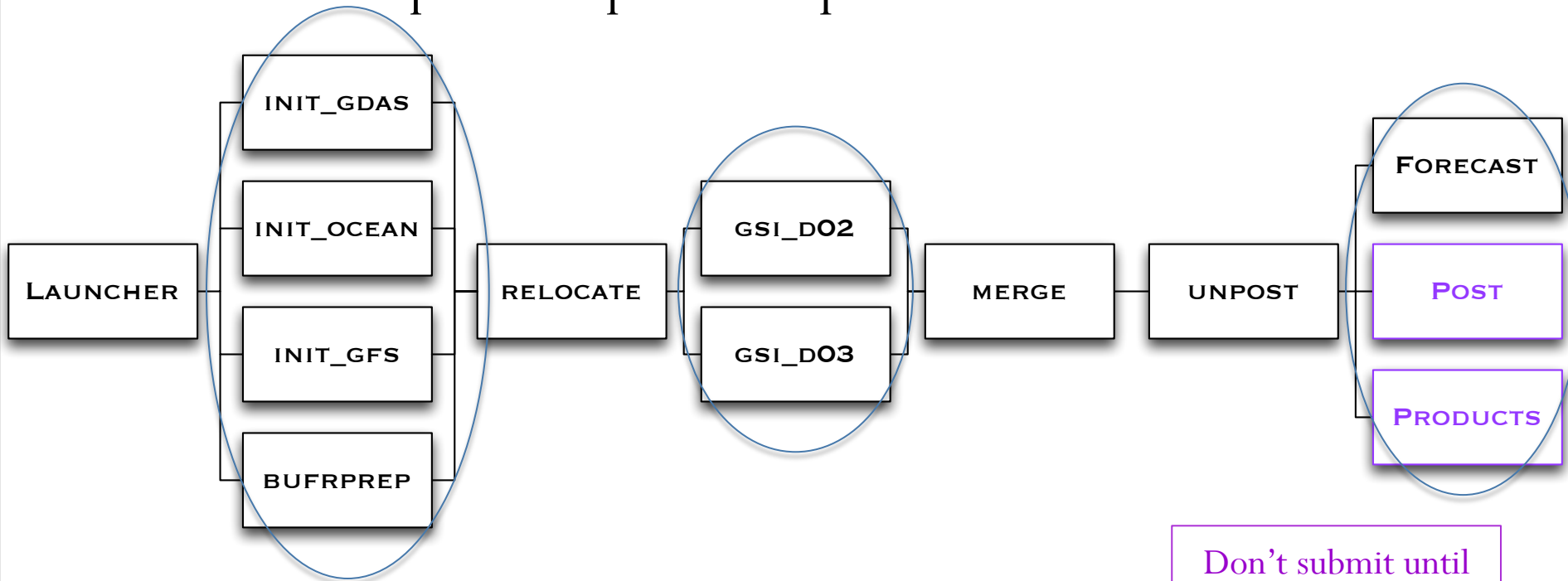
- Loads few env variables from global\_vars.sh

```
${HOMEhwrf}/scripts/exhwrf_launch.py "$YMDH" "$STID" "$CASE_ROOT"  
"$HOMEhwrf/parm" \  
"config.EXPT=${EXPT}" "config.startfile=${startfile}" \  
"config.HOMEhwrf=$HOMEhwrf" "config.case_root=$CASE_ROOT" \  
"$HOMEhwrf/parm/hwrf_v3.7release.conf" \  
"$@"
```

- Gathers all the options for a particular user configuration into the single file **storm1.conf** in the  $\${COMhwrf}$  directory.
- If you change any configuration, **run launcher\_wrapper again**

# Wrappers

- Wrappers must be submitted in sequence
- Some wrappers may be submitted simultaneously, while others require completion of previous task before submission



Don't submit until  
forecast job is  
running

# Cycled run

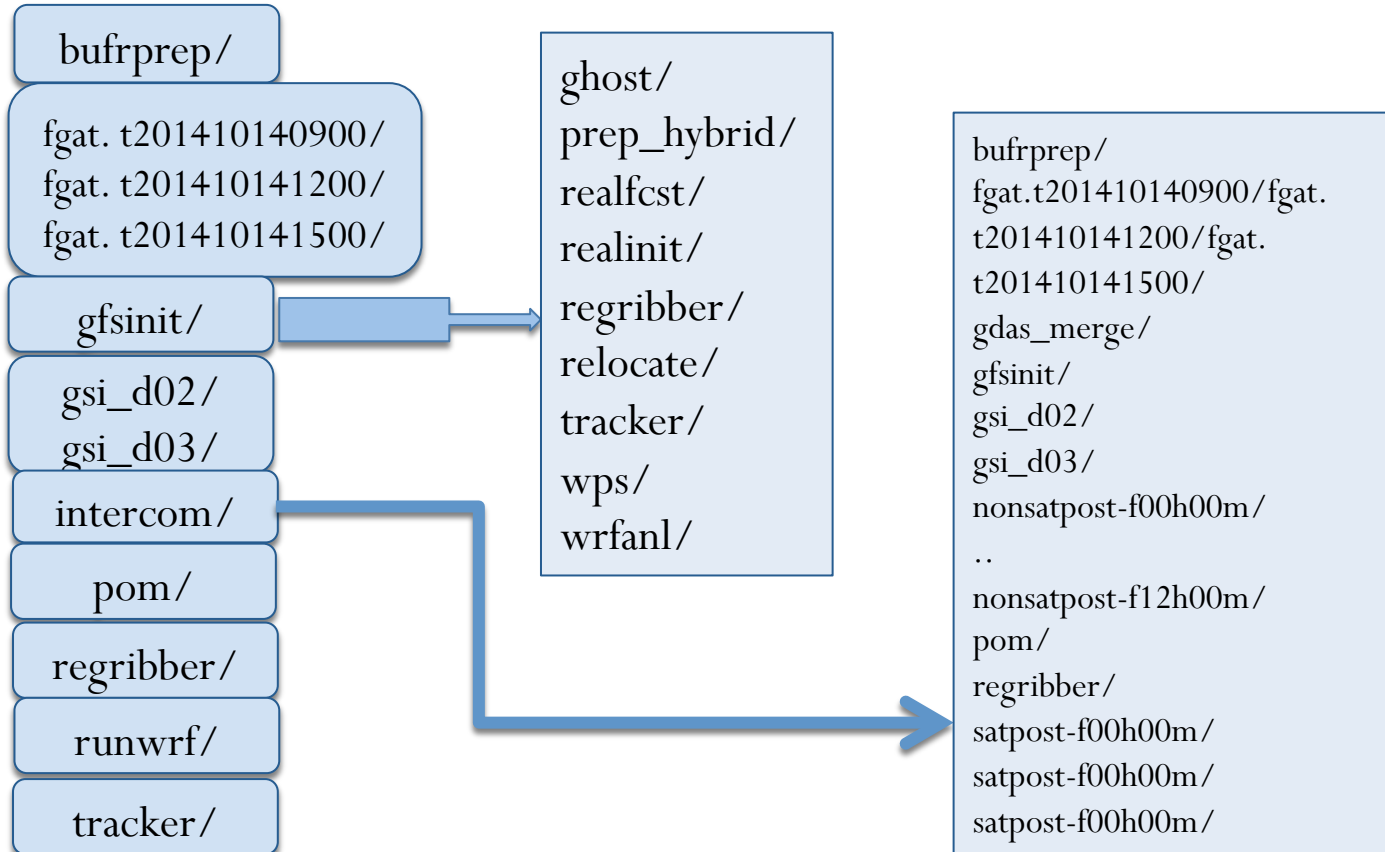
- This tutorial is designed to run a cold start
- Users willing to run cycled should follow the same procedure and sequence to run the wrappers as long as the previous 6 h outputs are present in the designated directories
- The scripts will determine the initial intensity and decide to use the previous 6 hr HWRF vortex or GFS vortex.

# Output Directory Structure

# Output directory

/glade/scratch/\${USER}/pytmp/hwrfrun

2014101412/08L



# Output directory

/glade/scratch/\${USER}/pytmp/hwrfrun

com/2014101412/08L

3-hrly  
9 h wrfout

GRIB2  
(pressure, sat vars)

GRIB1  
(tracker)

Tracker  
outputs

GSI  
diagnostics



# Visualization

- Plotting Track and Intensity using gfdlvortex tracker plotting capability
- A 126 h run is available on disk which contains the HWRF operational run
  - Expect differences, because the tutorial exercise is a cold start, whereas the operational run is cycled.
- Grads scripts are provided to plot UPP outputs.
- Converting raw WRF outputs, using UPP to get the fields in pressure levels and then visualize using Grads scripts is provided in the Idealized run.

# Thank you

- You can

- Ask question during the tutorial
- Consult our HWRF Users Guide

[http://www.dtcenter.org/HurrWRF/users/docs/users\\_guide/HWRF\\_v3.7a\\_UG.pdf](http://www.dtcenter.org/HurrWRF/users/docs/users_guide/HWRF_v3.7a_UG.pdf)

- Consult HWRF Scientific Documentation

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# Command line arguments

```
{HOME}hwrfl/scripts/exhwrfl_launch.py {DATE} {STID} HISTORY  
/path/to/parm config.EXPT={EXPT}  
config.startfile={startfile} config.SUBEXPT={anyname}  
config.run_gsi=no
```

- **{DATE}**
  - YYYYMMDDHH-YYYYMMDDHH for a range of cycles
  - YYYYMMDDHH for a single cycle
  - YYYYMMDDHH YYYYMMDDHH for two specific cycles
- **{STID}** is the storm ID, i.e. 18L for Sandy
- **{EXPT}** is the name of parent directory of **rocoto/**
- Can set any conf parameter in this line without editing a conf file
  - e.g. add option: **config.run\_gsi=no**

# New configure file

- Pass the directory/name of one extra configure file

```
{HOME}hwrp}/scripts/exhwrp_launch.py {DATE} {STID} HISTORY  
/path/to/parm config.EXPT={EXPT}  
config.startfile={startfile} config.SUBEXPT={anyname}  
hwrp_biswas.conf
```

hwrp\_biswas.conf

```
[config]  
disk_project=dtc-hurr  
archive=none  
scrub_com=no  
  
[relocate]  
scrub=no  
  
[gsi_d02]  
scrub=no  
  
...
```