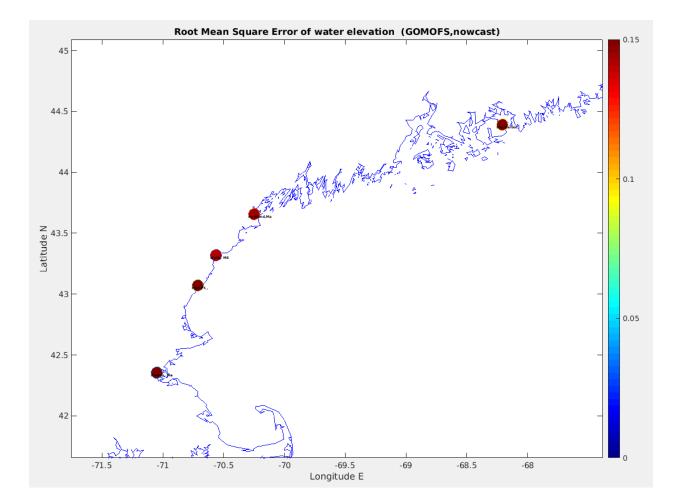
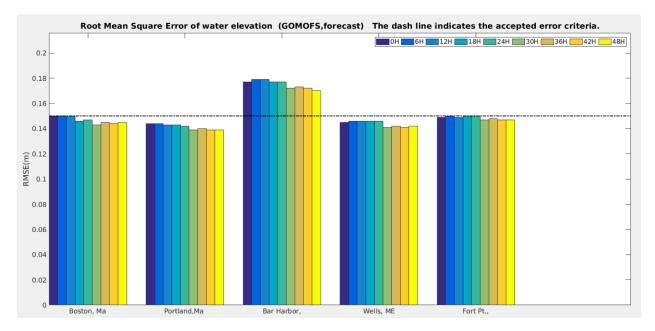
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The figures below indicate the Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) of GoMOFS water levels, currents, water temperature, and salinity nowcasts and forecasts from 1/1/2017 to 6/30/2017.

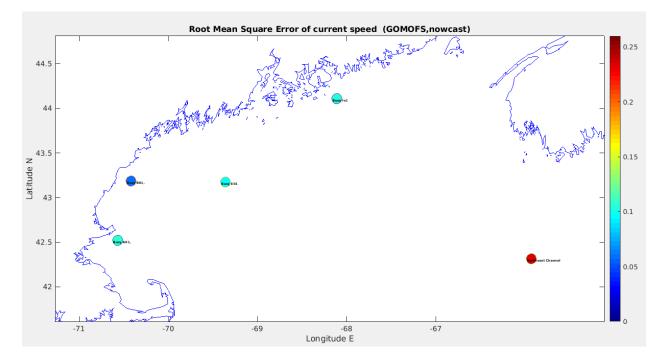


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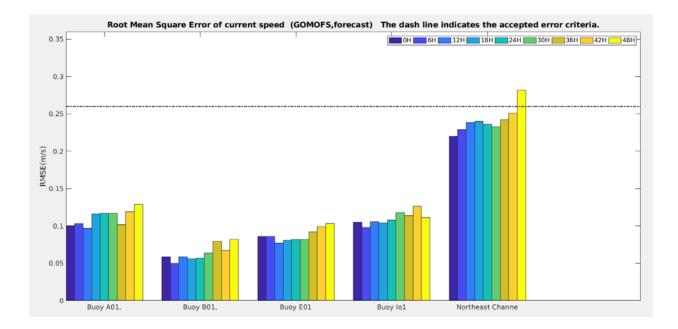


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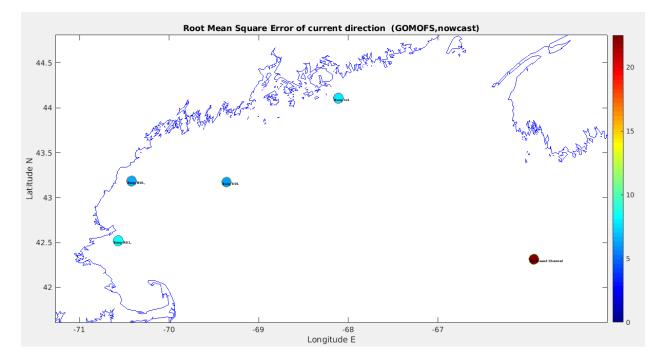
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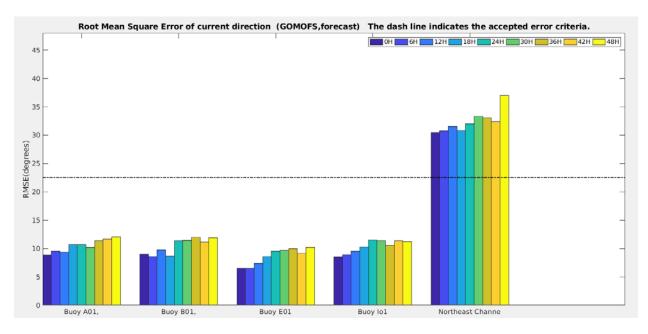
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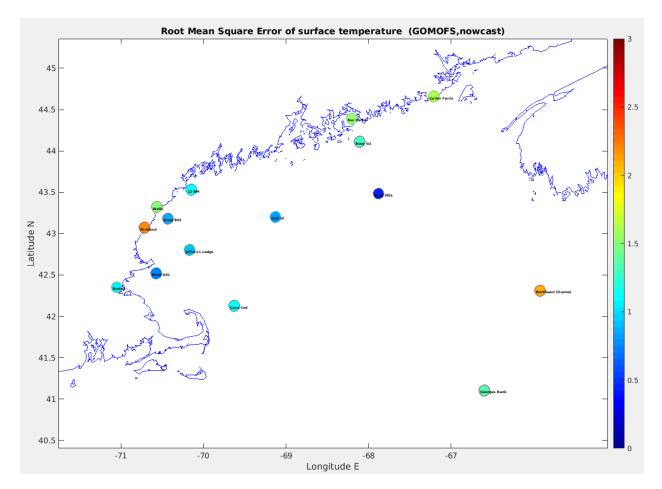
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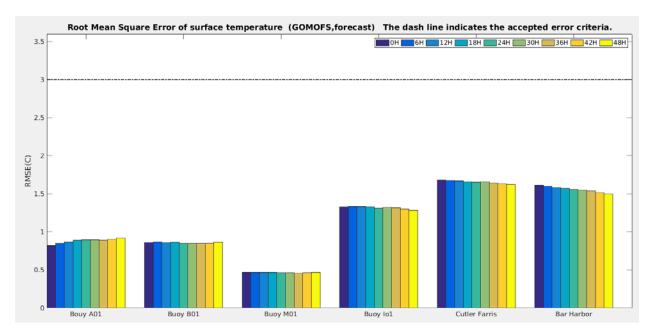
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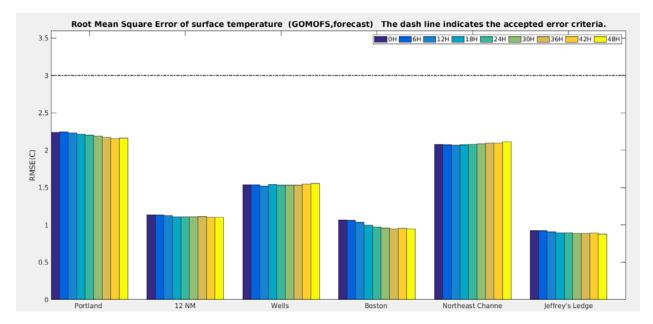
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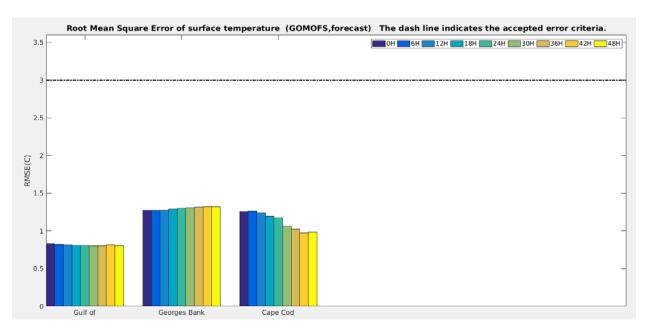


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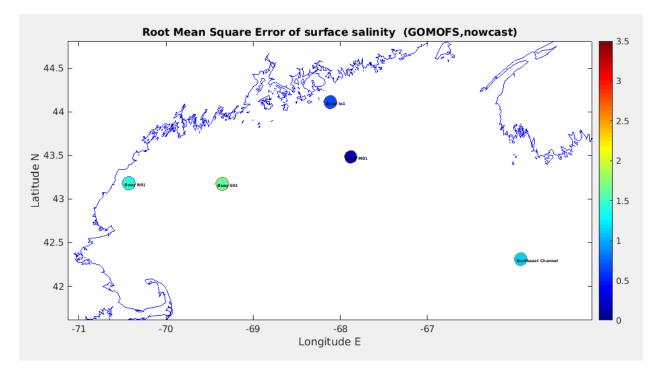
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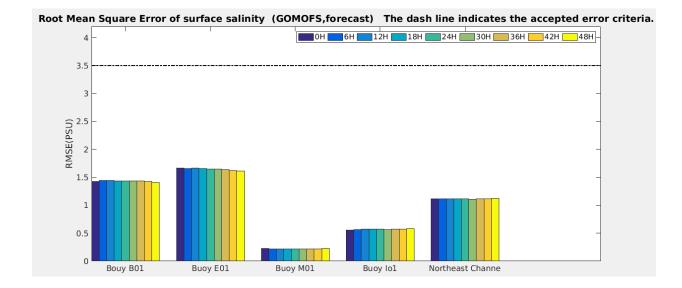


Forecast Surface Temperature (3)

Nowcast Surface Salinity



Forecast Surface Salinity



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