



NOAA/NESDIS GOES-R Algorithm Working Group (AWG) and its Role in Development and Readiness of GOES-R Product Algorithms

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Outline of Presentation

- Overview of AWG
 - Organizational structure
 - Roles and Responsibilities
- Progress
 - Proxy Data
 - Examples of prototype products
- Summary

Algorithm Working Group

PURPOSE: To develop, test, demonstrate, validate and provide algorithms for end-to-end GOES-R Ground Segment capabilities and to provide sustained life cycle validation and product enhancements

- Leverages nearly 100 scientists from NOAA, NASA, DOD, EPA, and NOAA's Cooperative Institutes (University partners)
- Apply first-hand knowledge of algorithms developed for POES, GOES, DMSP, EOS-AIRS/MODIS/LIS, MetOP and Space Weather.
- Leverage other programs & experience (GOES, MODIS, AIRS, IASI, NPOESS and other prototype instruments and international systems)
- Facilitate algorithm consistency across platforms -- prerequisite for GEOSS (maximize benefits and minimizes integration)

Capabilities and Experience

AWG End-to-End Capabilities

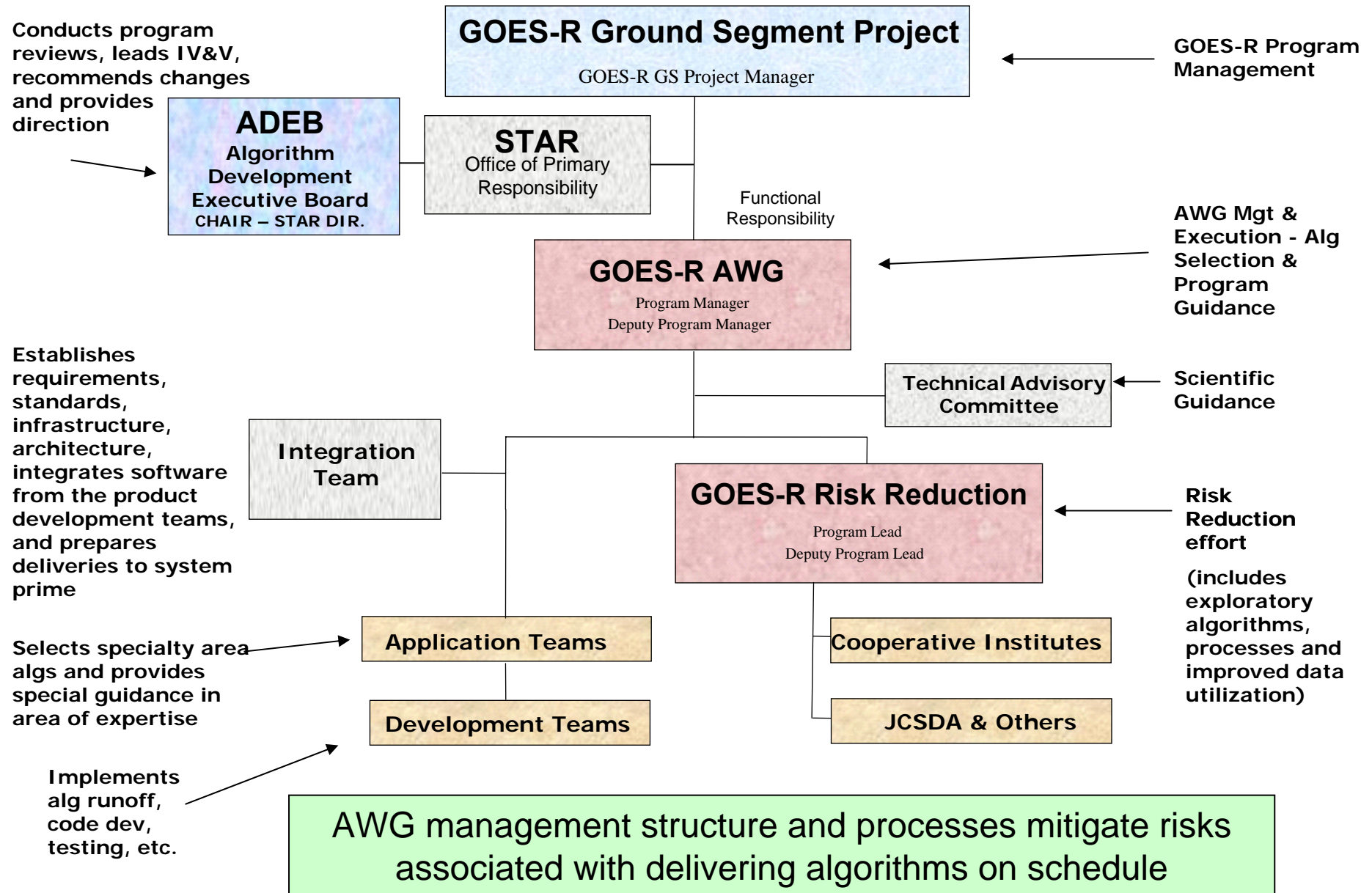
- Instrument Trade Studies
- Proxy Dataset Development
- Algorithm Development and Testing
- Product Demonstration Systems
- Development of Cal/Val Tools
- Integrated Cal/Val Enterprise System
- Sustained Radiance and Product Validation
- Algorithm and application improvements
- User Readiness and Education

Experience in Algorithm Delivery and Implementation

Developed, tested, delivered and implemented operational product generation systems

- POES
- GOES
- DMSP (NOAA applications)
- NASA EOS (AIRS, MODIS, LIS)
- MeTOP (IASI, GOME, ASCAT)
- NPOESS (NDE Project)

AWG Management Structure



Defined Roles & Responsibilities and Outcomes


- Application Teams: plans and executes the activities to assess, select, develop, and deliver algorithms (including cal/val)
- Development teams: hosts and tests candidate algorithms in a scalable operational demonstration environment
- AWG Integration Team: establishes requirements, standards, infrastructure, architecture, integrates software from the product development teams, and prepares deliveries to Ground Segment Project

Outcome -- Demonstrated algorithms, documentation and test data sets delivered to the Ground Segment Project:

- Algorithm Theoretical Basis Documents (ATBD)
- Proxy datasets
- Pre-operational code with all supporting materials – test plans, software, data sets (with results for comparison) and implementation documentation
- Routine cal/val tools

Application Teams

GOES-R Products Mapped to Algorithm Application Teams

- **Soundings (Chris Barnet, Tim Schmit)**
 - **Winds (Jaime Daniels)**
 - **Clouds (Andy Heidinger)**
 - **Aviation (Ken Pryor, Wayne Feltz)**
 - **Aerosols / Air Quality / Atmospheric Chemistry (Shobha Kondragunta)**
 - **Hydrology (Robert Kuligowski)**
 - **Land Surface (Bob Yu)**
 - **SST and Ocean Dynamics (Alexander Ignatov)**
 - **Cryosphere (Jeff Key)**
 - **Radiation Budget (Istvan Laszlo)**
 - **Lightning (Steve Goodman)**
 - **Space Environment (Steven Hill)**
 - **Proxy Data (Fuzhong Weng)**
 - **Cal/Val (Changyong Cao)**
 - **Algorithm Integration (Walter Wolf)**
 - Product System Integration
 - KPP/Imagery/Visualization
 - Product Tailoring
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Example: AAA Application Team Make-up

Kondragunta, Shobha (STAR), Chair
Ackerman, Steven (CIMSS)
Hoff, Raymond (UMBC)
Pierce, Brad (NASA -> STAR)
Szykman, James (EPA)
Laszlo, Istvan (STAR)
Lyapustin, Alexie (NASA)
Li, Zhanqing (CICS)
Schmidt, Chris (CIMSS)

GOES-R Program requested the AWG to establish broad and cross-cutting support for the algorithms and products

AWG Process Flow

Algorithm Development

- ✓ Form Teams
- ✓ Kick-off Meeting
- ✓ Initial Requirements Analysis
- ✓ Final Requirements Analysis
- ✓ Develop Standards and Documentation Templates
- ✓ Develop Proxy Data
- ✓ Algorithm Design Reviews and Designate Competitive Algorithms
- Algorithm Selection
- Algorithm Integration
- Algorithm Testing
- Algorithm Validation
- Develop ATBDs
- DAP Documentation
- Deliver ATBD & DAP to GPO
- IV&V
- Support A&O Contractor

Calibration, Validation and Verification

- ✓ Form Teams
- ✓ Kick-off Meeting
- ✓ Initial Requirements Analysis
- ✓ Final Requirements Analysis
- Develop Software Tools
- Documentation
- Monitoring and Validation Tools

Algorithm Sustainment & Product Tailoring

*(Joint AWG & OSDPD)
AWG Provides Science Support for:*

- Form Teams
- Kick-off Meeting
- Initial Requirements Analysis
- Final Requirements Analysis
- Develop Coding Standards
- Design Reviews
- Develop Tools
- Select Tools
- Tool Integration
- Tool Testing
- Tool Validation
- Tool Documentation
- Deliver to OSDPD

**Satellite Products & Services
Review Board Approval
Required**

Goal: Follow Repeatable Processes to Reduce Program Risks

GOES-R Product List (Total: 68)

Product Set Number: 1-4

Set 1/2 - September 2010

Set 3/4 - September 2011

AWG Test Bed will provide demonstration products

1 Aerosol Detection (including Smoke & Dust)
3 Aerosol Particle Size
1 Suspended Matter / Optical Depth
2 Volcanic Ash: Detection and Height
4 Aircraft Icing Threat
3 Cloud Imagery: Coastal
1 Cloud & Moisture Imagery (KPPs)
3 Cloud Layers / Heights & Thickness
3 Cloud Ice Water Path
3 Cloud Liquid Water
1 Cloud Optical Depth
1 Cloud Particle Size Distribution
1 Cloud Top Phase
1 Cloud Top Height
1 Cloud Top Pressure
1 Cloud Top Temperature
3 Cloud Type
3 Convective Initiation
4 Enhanced "V" / Overshooting Top Detection
2 Hurricane Intensity
3 Low Cloud & Fog
2 Lightning Detection- events, groups, flashes
3 Turbulence
4 Visibility

2 Geomagnetic Field
4 Probability of Rainfall
4 Rainfall Potential
2 Rainfall Rate / QPE
1 Legacy Vertical Moisture Profile
1 Legacy Vertical Temperature Profile
2 Derived Stability Indices (5)
1 Total Precipitable Water
3 Total Water Content
1 Clear Sky Masks
1 Radiances
3 Absorbed Shortwave Radiation: Surface
3 Downward Longwave Radiation: Surface
2 Downward Solar Insolation: Surface
2 Reflected Solar Insolation: TOA
3 Upward Longwave Radiation: Surface
3 Upward Longwave Radiation: TOA
3 Ozone Total
3 SO ₂ Detection
2 Derived Motion Winds
2 Fire / Hot Spot Characterization
4 Flood / Standing Water
2 Land Surface (Skin) Temperature

3 Surface Albedo
3 Surface Emissivity
4 Vegetation Fraction: Green
4 Vegetation Index
4 Currents
4 Currents: Offshore
4 Sea & Lake Ice: Age
4 Sea & Lake Ice: Concentration
4 Sea & Lake Ice: Extent
4 Sea & Lake Ice: Motion
4 Ice Cover / Landlocked: Hemispheric
2 Snow Cover
4 Snow Depth (Over Plains)
2 Sea Surface Temps
2 Energetic Heavy Ions
2 Mag Electrons & Protons: Low Energy
2 Mag Electrons & Protons: Med & High Energy
2 Solar & Galactic Protons
2 Solar Flux: EUV
2 Solar Flux: X-Ray
2 Solar Imagery: X-Ray

ABI – Advanced Baseline Imager

Continuity of GOES Legacy Sounder Products from ABI

SEISS – Space Env. In-Situ Suite

EXIS – EUV and X-Ray Irradiance Sensors

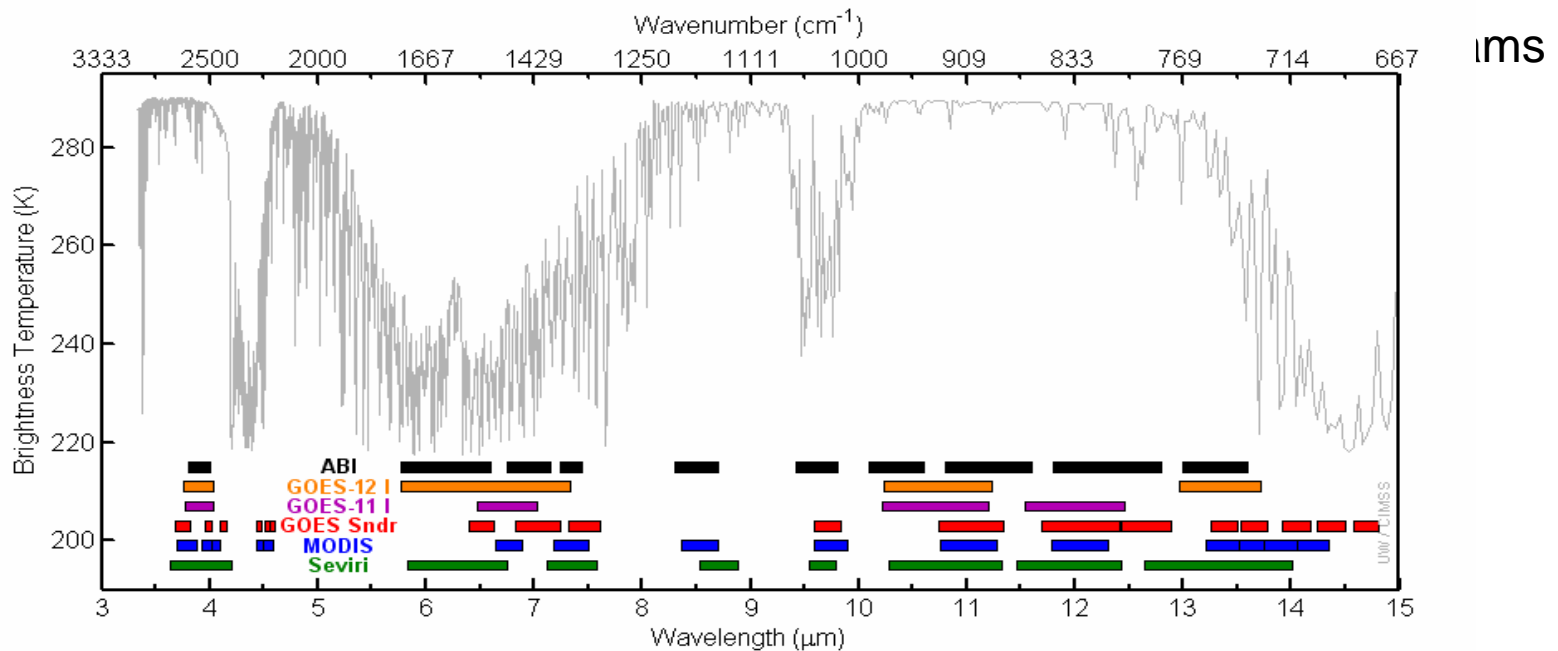
GLM – Geostationary Lightning Mapper

Magnetometer

SUVI – Solar extreme UltraViolet Imager

High Confidence in ABI Algorithms Meeting Requirements

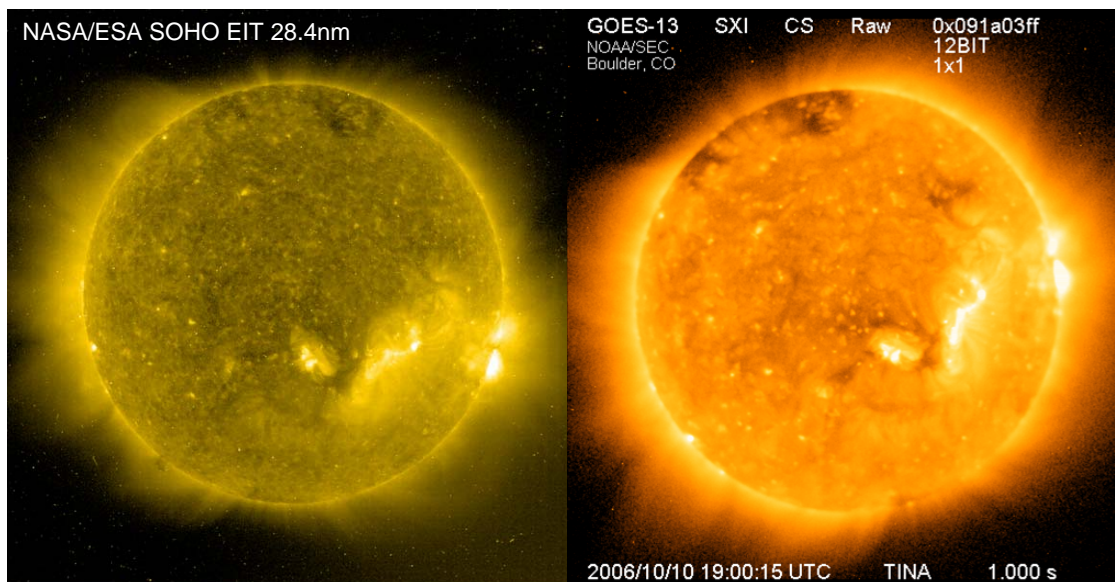
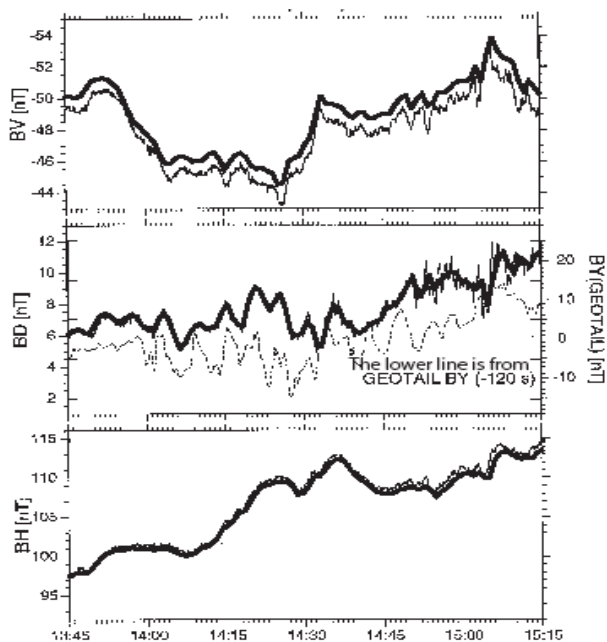
- Algorithms from MODIS and current GOES program are being leveraged
- EUMETSAT SEVIRI Instrument serves as excellent proxy
- High fidelity simulated datasets for ABI



Similar spectral channel experience provides confidence the algorithms will be delivered with minimal program risk while meeting the required accuracies

High Confidence in Space Weather Algorithms Meeting Requirements

- Algorithms for space weather cover both solar and in situ observations:
 - Solar: Extreme Ultraviolet and X-ray Irradiance Suite (EXIS) and Solar Ultraviolet Imager (SUVI)
 - In Situ: Space Environment In Situ Suite (SEISS) and Magnetometer (MAG)
- Algorithms from current GOES program are being leveraged
- Current GOES instrument data serve as excellent proxies
- High fidelity simulated datasets for SUVI derived from GOES SXI and ESA/NASA SOHO EIT
- Government and University expertise from relevant current programs

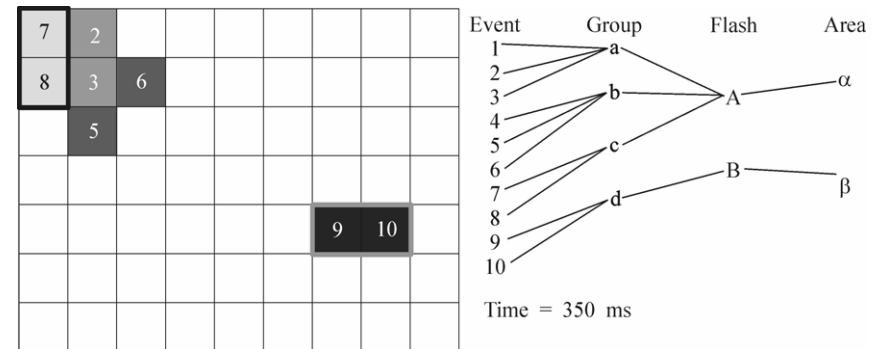
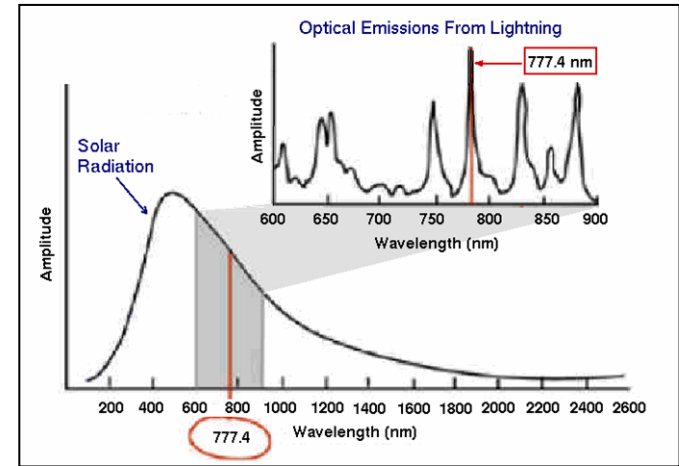


External research results help validate GOES magnetometer products.

SXI and EIT provide basis for temporal and spectral characteristics of SUVI observations

High Confidence in GLM Algorithms Meeting Requirements

- Lightning algorithm maturity from over 12 years of on-orbit experience with NASA's:
 - Optical Transient Detector (OTD) (1995-2000)
 - Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission's (TRMM) Lightning Imager Sensor (LIS) (1997-Present)
- ATBD for Geostationary Lightning Mapper (GLM) lightning detection based on LIS
- Proxy data sets derived from LIS and from ground based total lightning mapping arrays
- Government and University expertise from current programs



Lightning Clustering Algorithm, Mach et al., JGR, 2007)

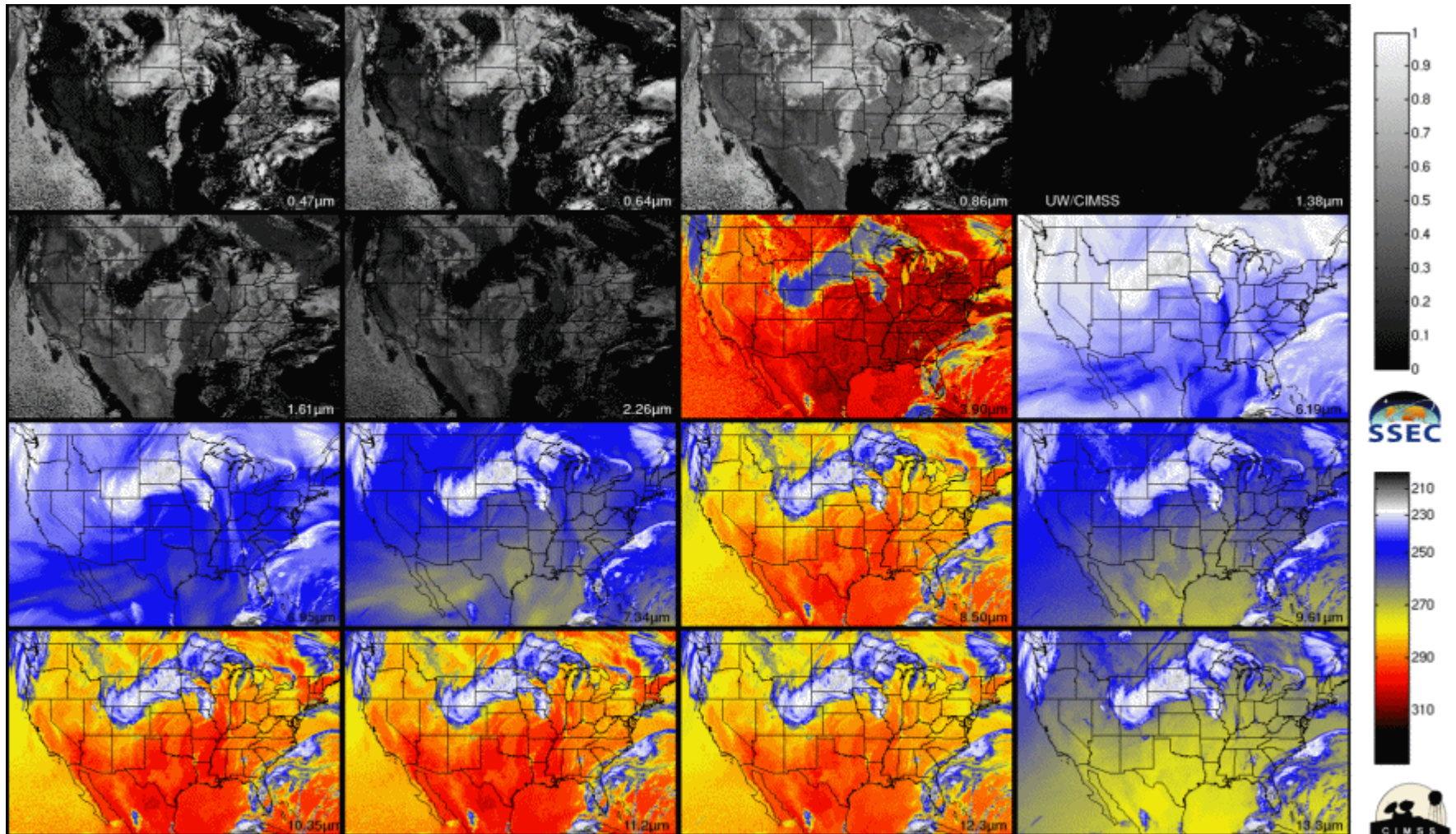
Similar experience provides confidence the algorithms will be delivered with minimal program risk while meeting the required accuracies

Current Status

- Completed 95% of the Algorithm Design Reviews
- Initial algorithms recently delivered to Algorithm Integration Team
 - Derived Motion Winds
 - Hurricane Intensity
 - Land Surface Temperature
 - Fire
 - Temperature, Moisture Sounding Retrieval
 - Cloud Mask
 - Cloud Height
 - Cloud Type
 - Cloud Optical Thickness
 - Cloud Effective Particle Size
- AWG demonstration system providing many GOES-R products from proxy data will be available in 2009
 - Demonstration system can provide products to proving grounds
- ABI proxy datasets
 - Full disk, CONUS, and mesoscale ABI simulations
 - SEVERI from Meteosat
 - SEVERI datasets
 - ABI channels derived from SEVERI
 - MODIS
 - MODIS datasets
 - ABI channels derived from SEVERI
- Lightning (LIS, LMA, NLDN) and Space Weather (GOES) proxy data

Results from prototype demonstrations

Animations of Simulated GOES-R ABI (16 channels) over CONUS

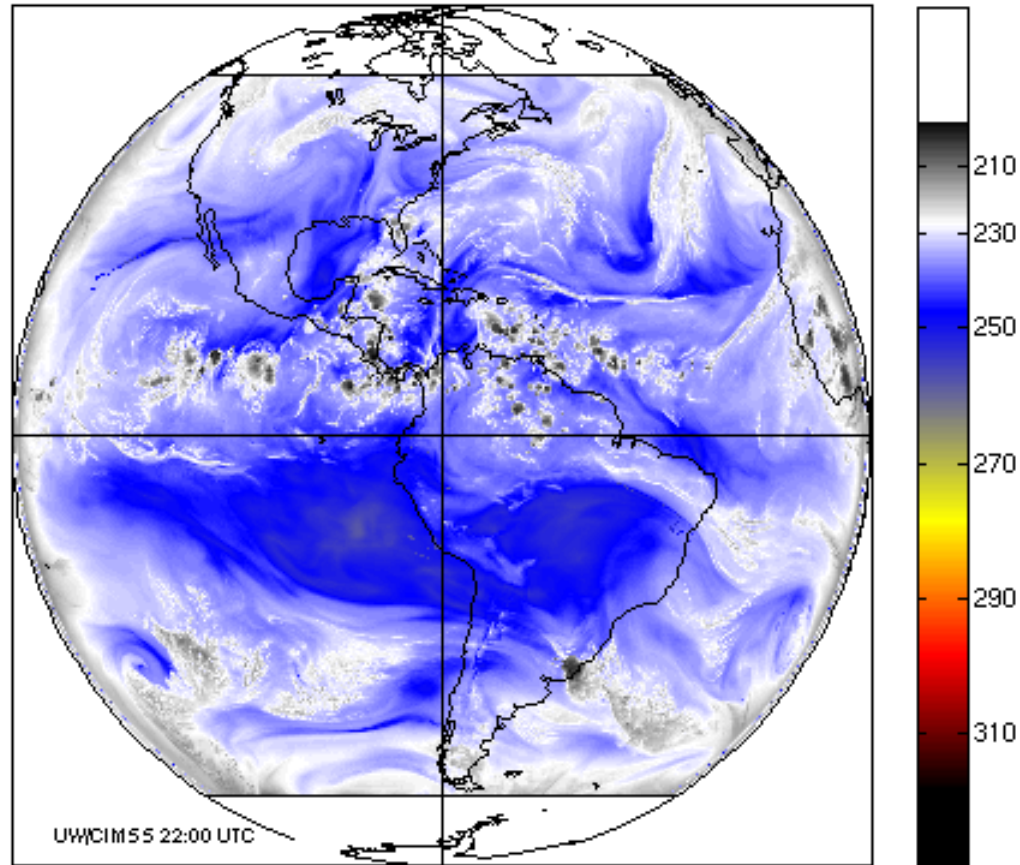


ABI band data for 2005 June 04 15:00 UTC

AWG Proxy Team has the capability to provide high fidelity simulated datasets that will be critically important for algorithm development and validation activities

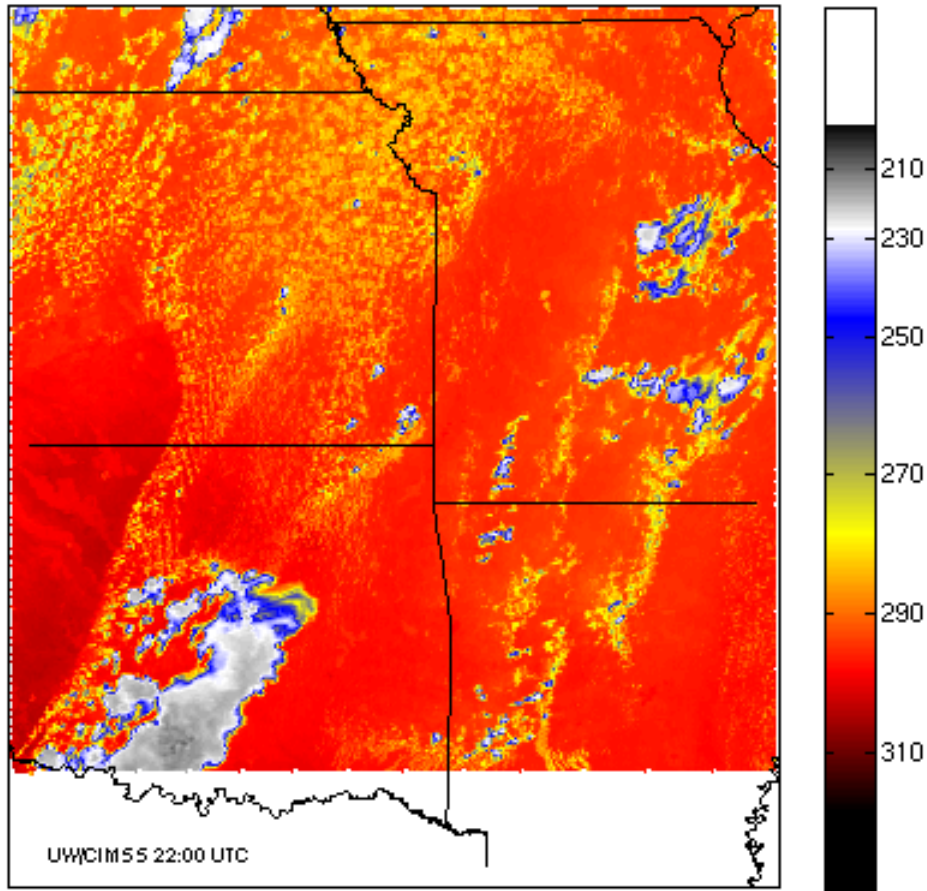
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ABI band 8 (6.19 μm) BT (K) 2005-06-04

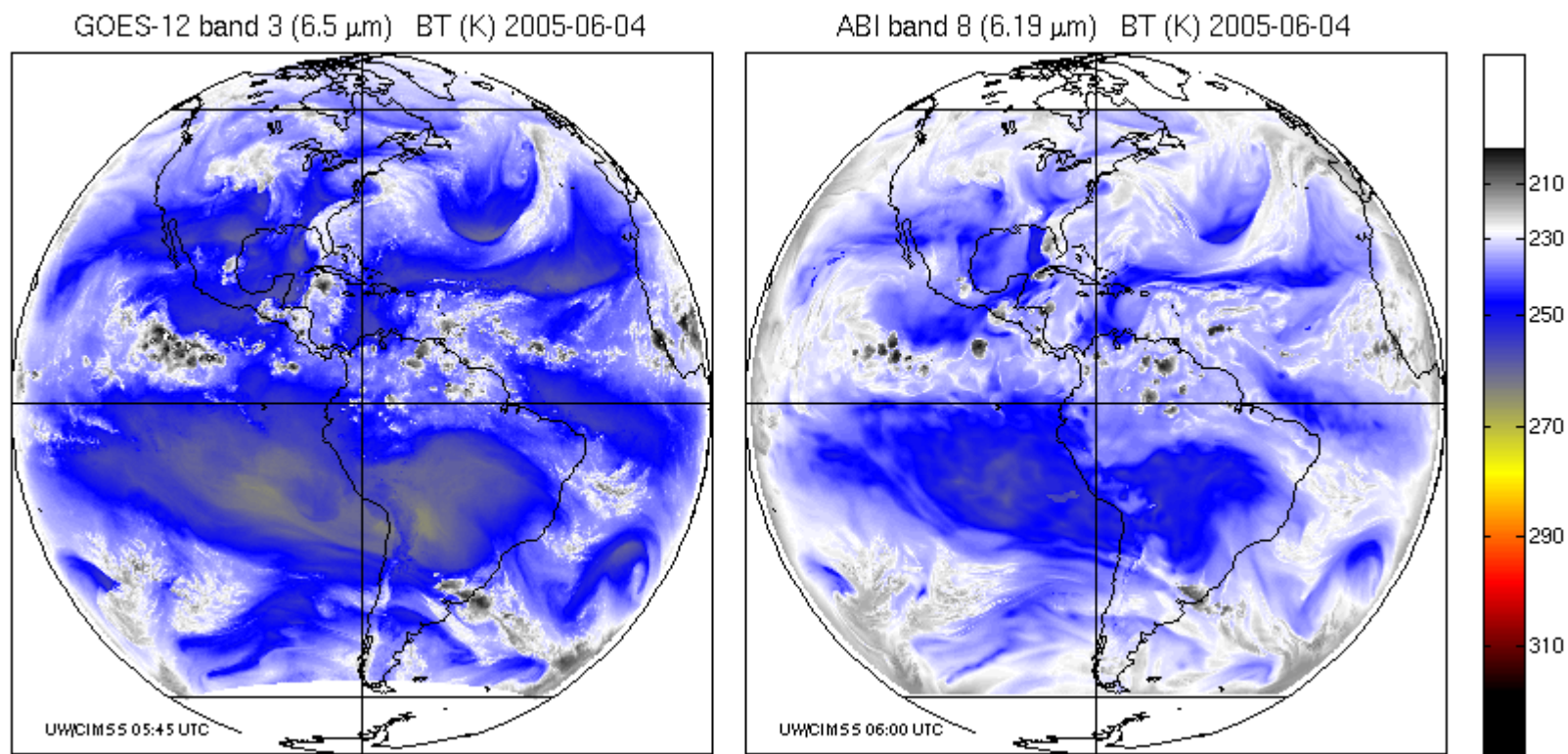


13 (10.4 μm) 22:00 – 00:00 UTC

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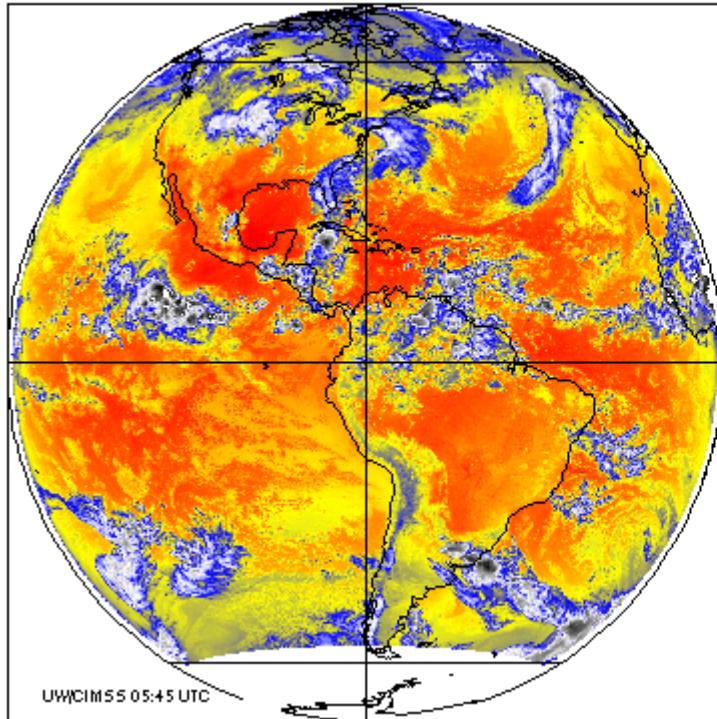
GOES-12 Band 3/ABI Band 8



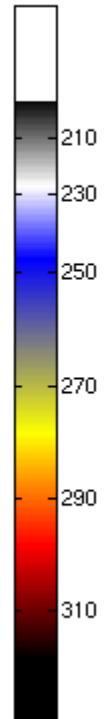
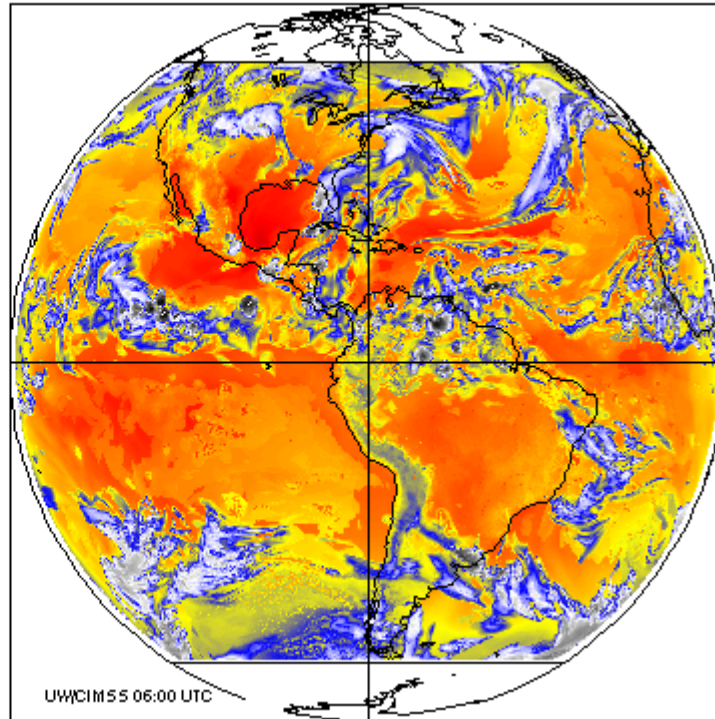
- Note GOES-12 Band 3 is warmer than ABI Band 8 due to Spectral Response Function (SRF) differences

GOES-12 Band 4/ABI Band 14

GOES-12 band 4 (10.7 μm) BT (K) 2005-06-04



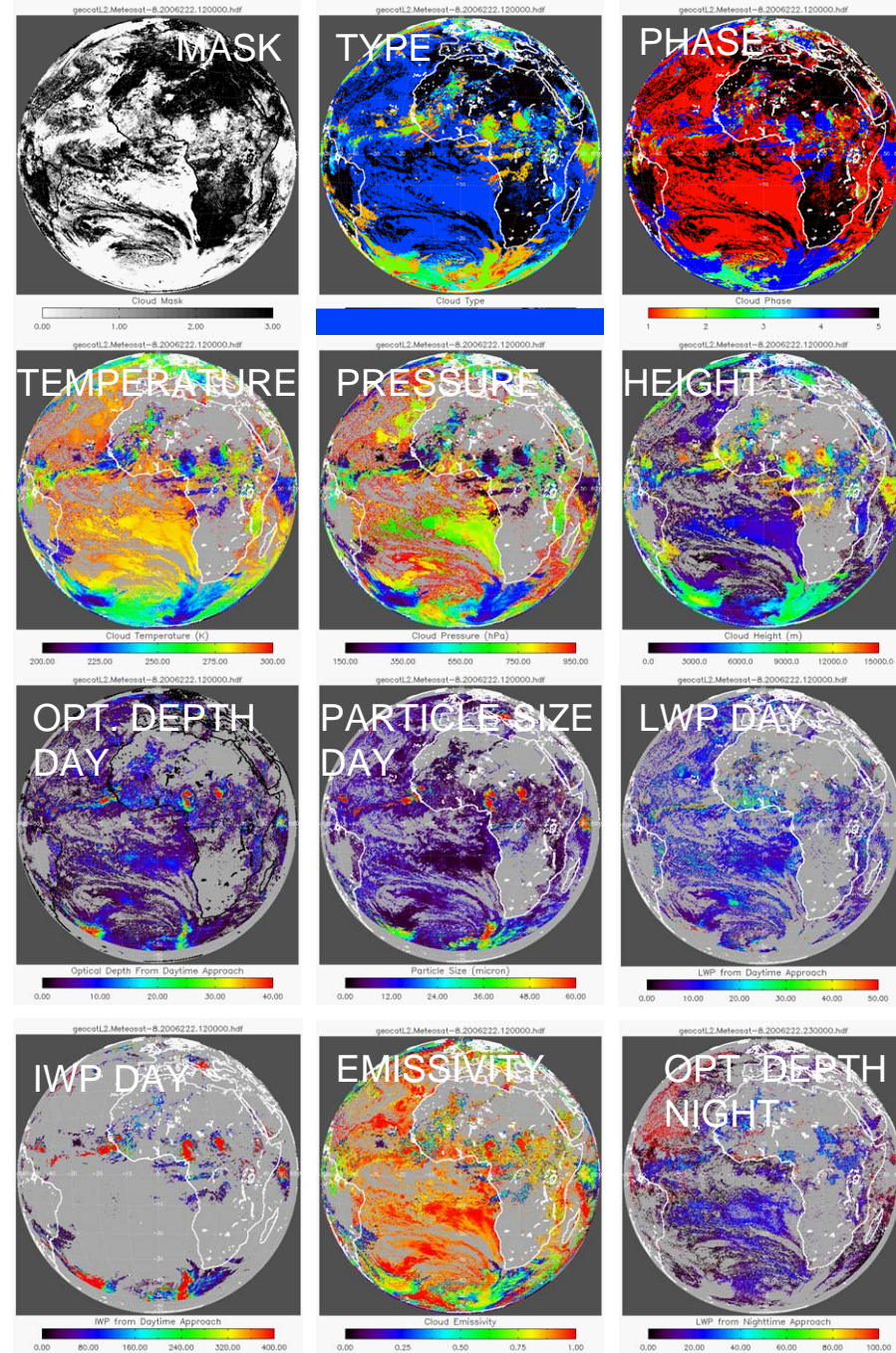
ABI band 14 (11.2 μm) BT (K) 2005-06-04



Cloud Application Team

- Directly responsible for 12 GOES-R products.
- Generated from 5 main algorithms
- Team consists of NOAA, NASA and Academia scientists with most effort being done at UW/CIMSS.
- Significant development required to ensure approaches fully exploit GOES-R ABI's capabilities.
- EUMETSAT's SEVIRI imager being used as our main test platform.
- Algorithm development and validation is ongoing. CALIPSO and CLOUDSAT are our main validation sources.
- Modified versions of GOES-R ABI algorithms being run on GOES in real-time to demonstrate robustness.

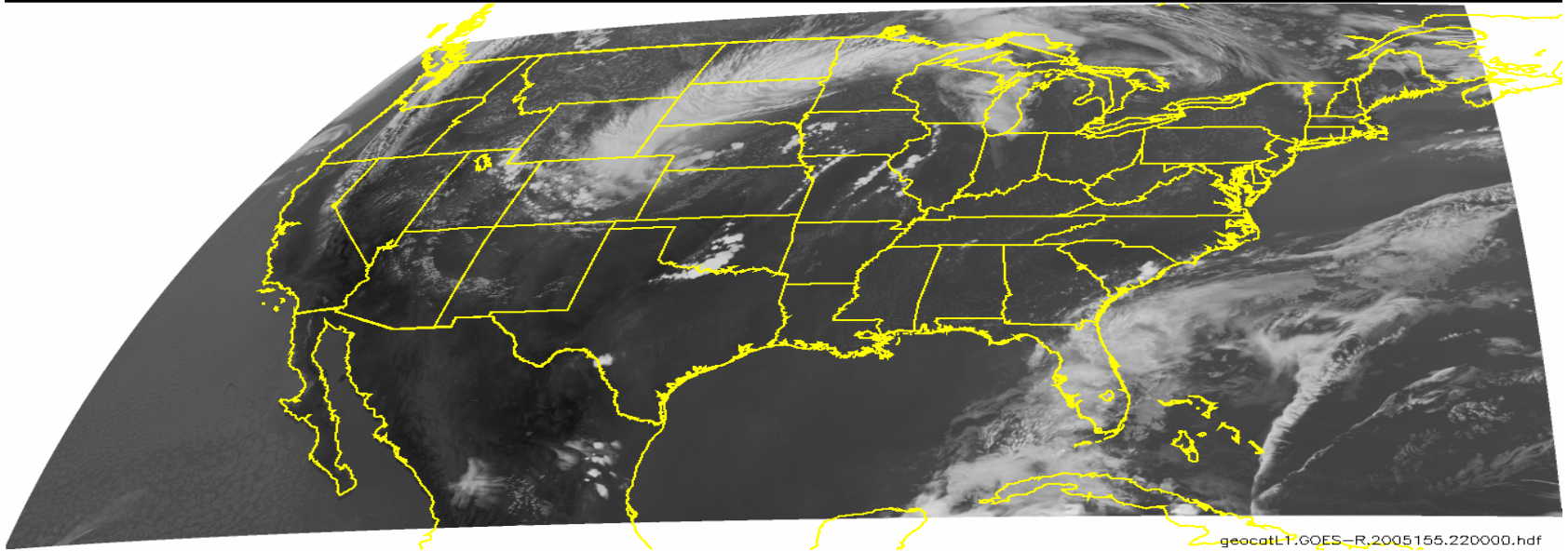
Example GOES-R ABI products generated from SEVIRI



AWG Cloud Phase Product

GEOCAT_v0.40

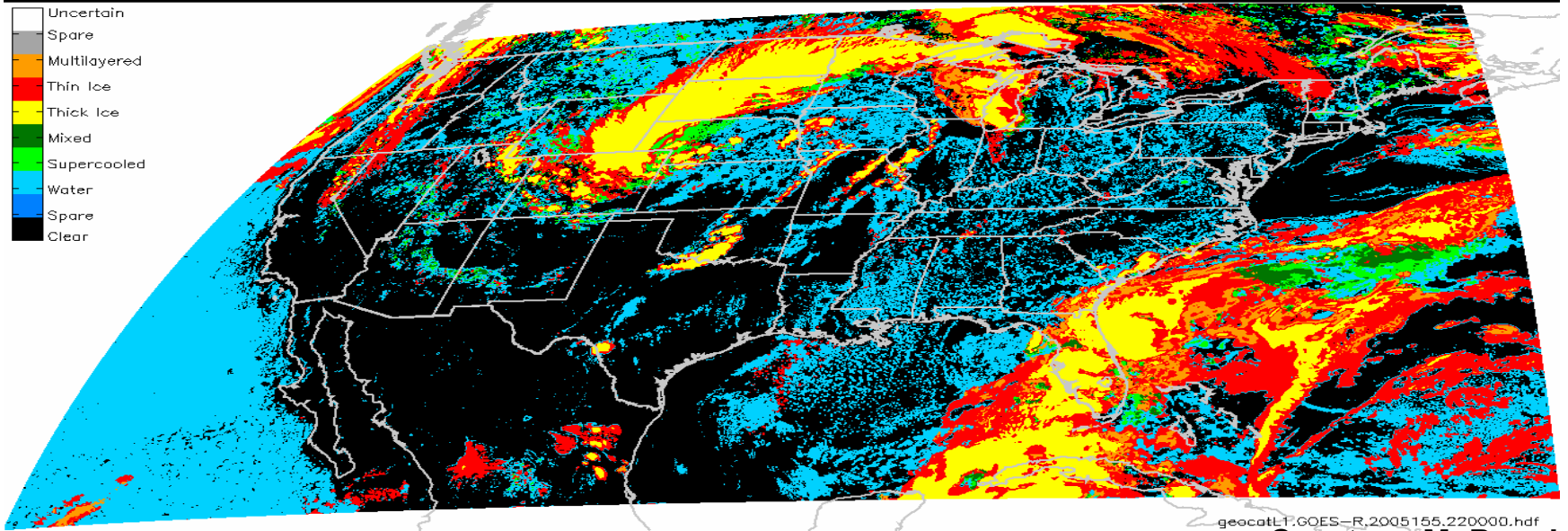
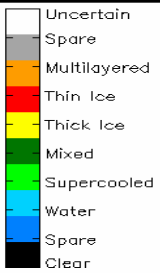
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Infrared ($11\ \mu\text{m}$)



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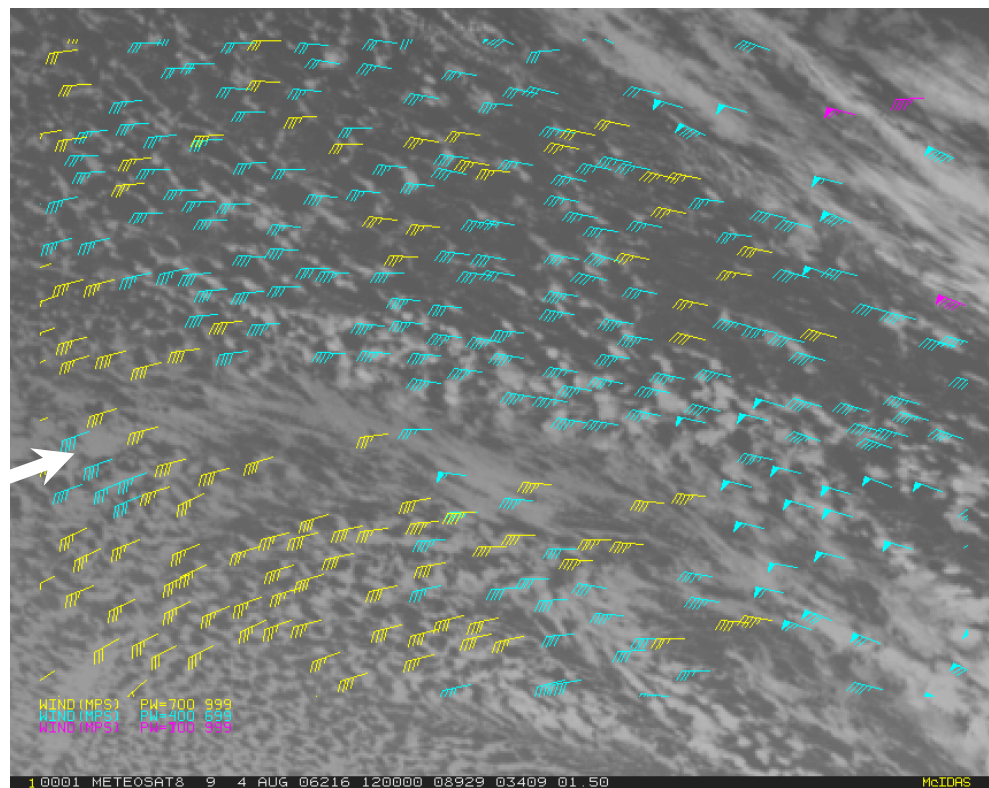
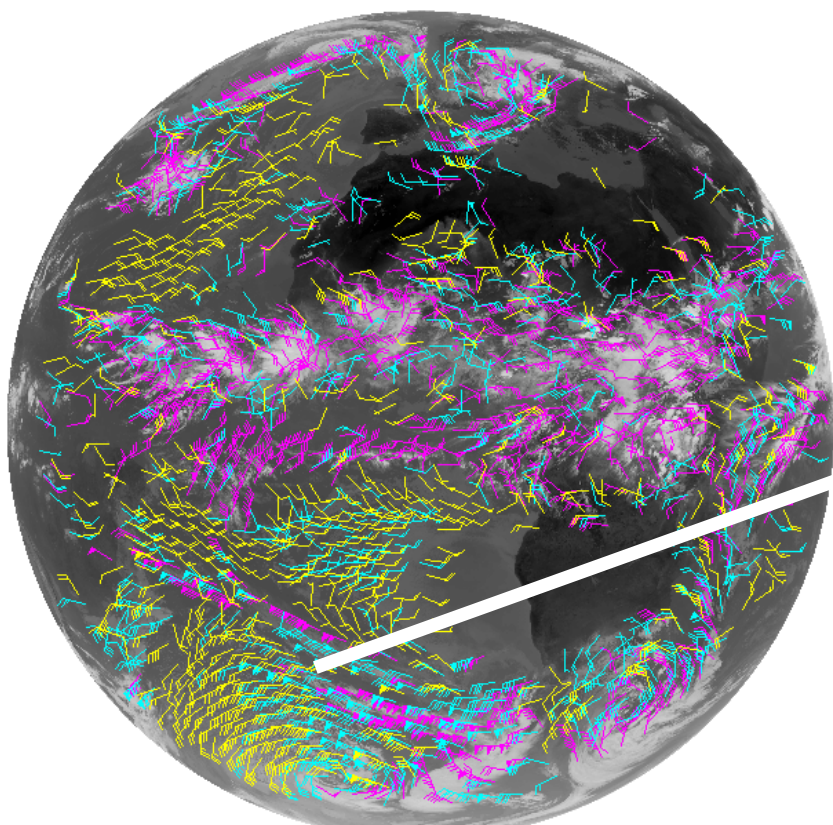
GOES-R 2005-06-04 22:00:00
AWG Cloud Team - Cloud Phase



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Courtesy M. Pavolonis

MSG/SEVERI imagery are being used as proxy datasets for GOES-R ABI Atmospheric Motion Vector (AMV) algorithm development, testing, and validation activities.

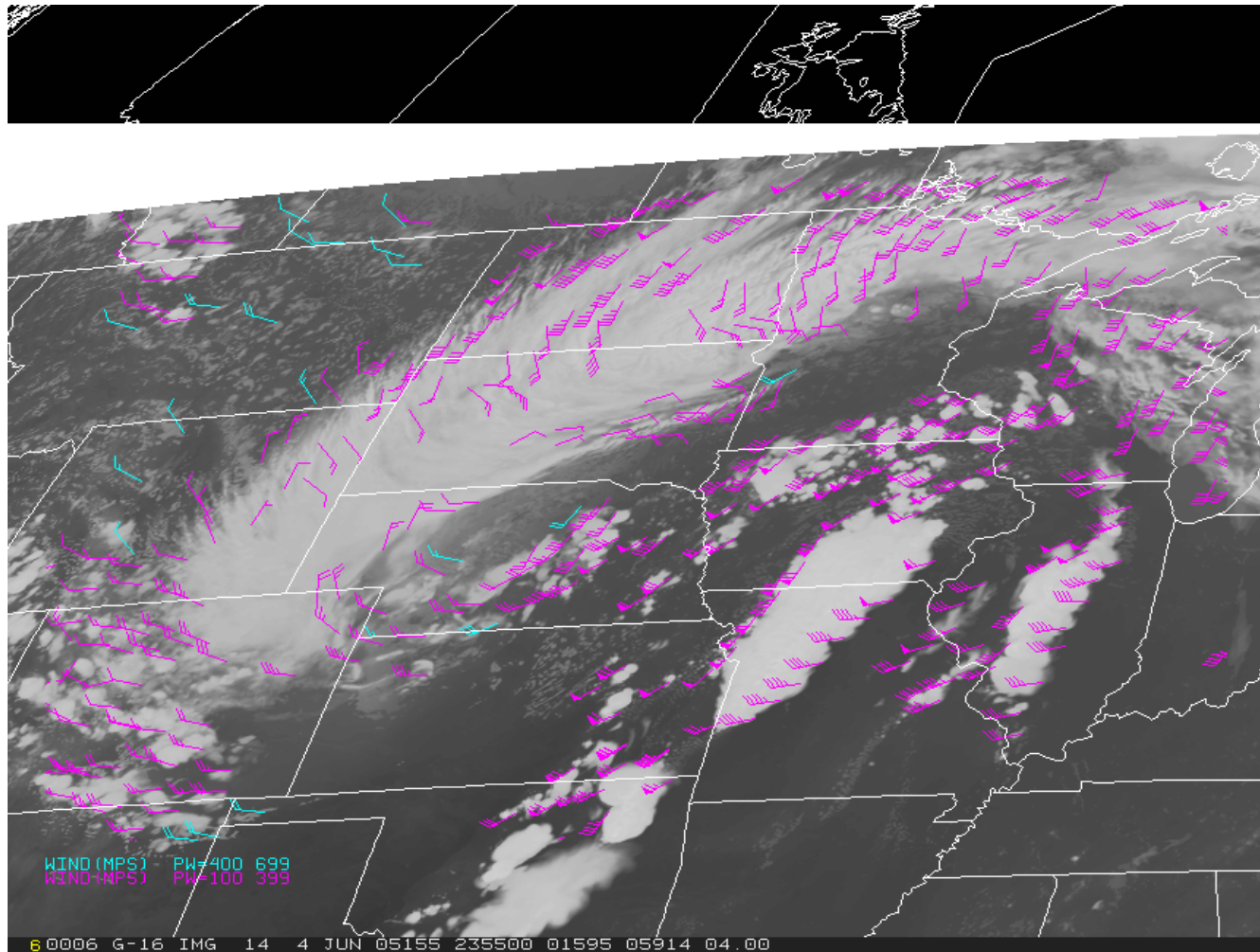


High Level 100-399 mb Mid-Level 400-699 mb Low-Level >700 mb

Cloud-drift AMVs derived from a Meteosat-8 SEVERI image triplet centered at 1215Z on 04 August 2006

(Figures provided by the GOES-R Algorithm Working Group (AWG) Winds Application Team)

Simulated GOES-R ABI imagery are also being used for GOES-R ABI Atmospheric Motion Vector (AMV) algorithm development, testing, and validation activities.

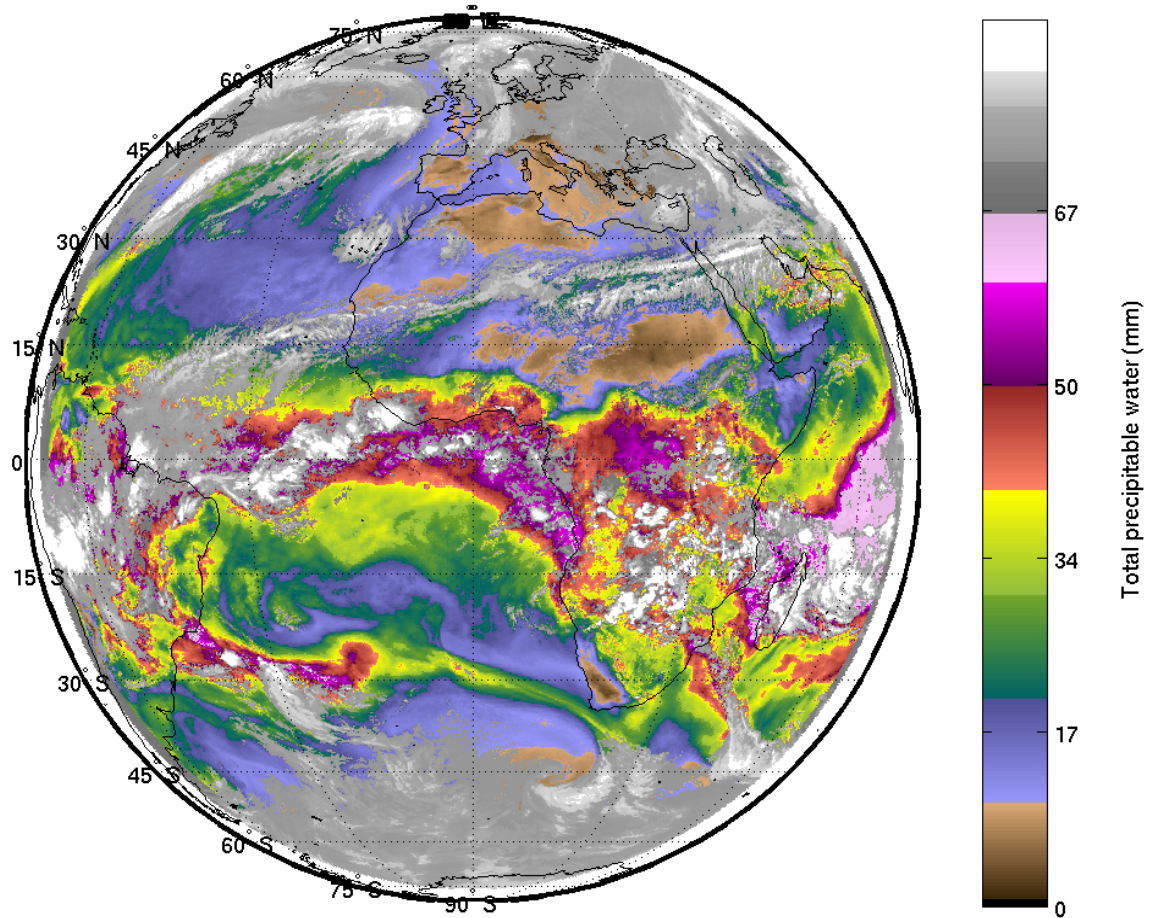
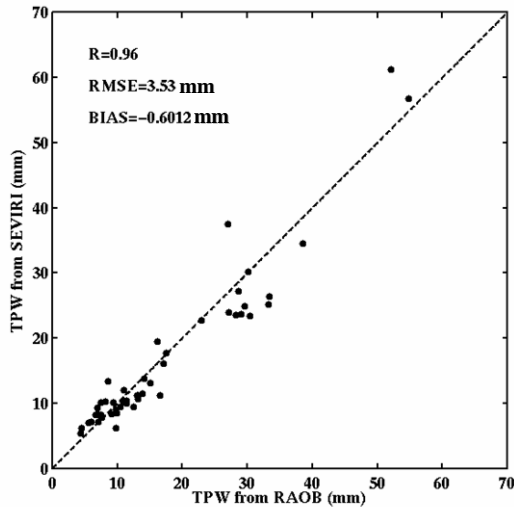


Cloud-drift AMVs derived from a Simulated GOES-R ABI image triplet centered at 0000Z on 05 June 2005

**AMVs generated by the GOES-R Algorithm Working Group (AWG) Winds Application Team
Simulated GOES-R ABI imagery generated by CIMSS**

Example GOES-R Product Using EUMETSAT SEVIRI Instrument Measurements as the Proxy Data Set

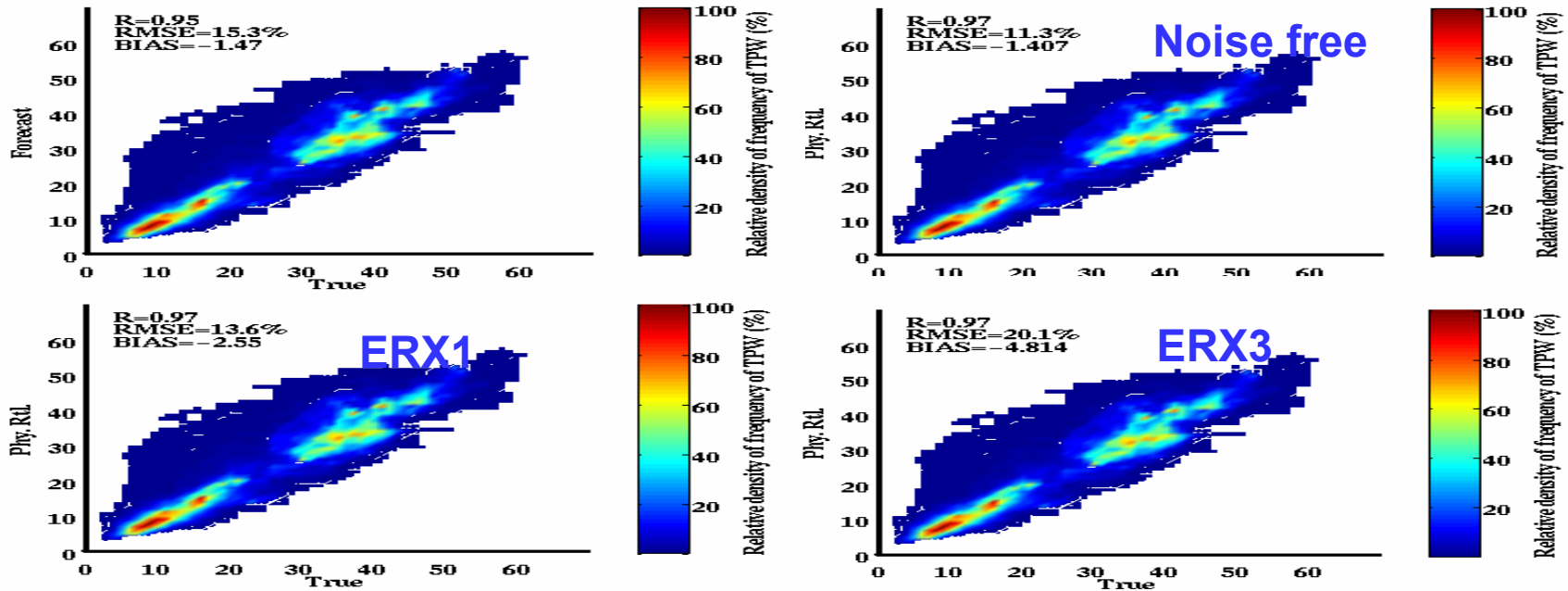
SEVIRI TPW--2006045:12:00



STAR's AWG has already started to test and demonstrate the clear sky mask, temperature and water vapor profiles, and land surface temperature algorithms

Total Precipitable Water using GOES-R AWG algorithms and SEVIRI

GOES-R Analysis Facility Instrument Impacts on Requirements (GRAFIIR)



Noise impact on TPW retrievals (mm) – with nominal noise in algorithm

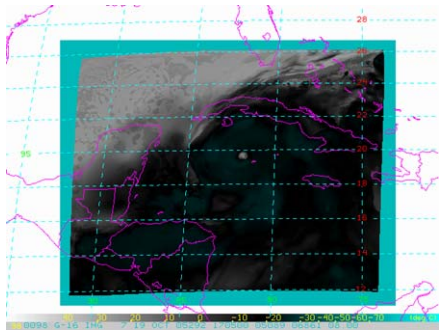
Production of GOES-R Synthetic Imagery

- **Use the Colorado State University - Regional Atmospheric Modeling System (CSU-RAMS) to simulate an observed mesoscale weather or hazard event with horizontal grid spacing as small as 400 m.**
- **The RAMS output is used as input to an observational operator. In conjunction with OPTRAN code and radiative transfer models, synthetic radiances and brightness temperatures are produced for the 10 infrared GOES-R ABI wavelengths (3.9 μm to 13.3 μm) with a footprint size of 400 m.**
- **GOES-R ABI synthetic imagery is produced at the appropriate footprint by using an approximation for the point spread function and the latitude and longitude of the data point.**
- **McIDAS and GIF imagery is being created for all datasets.**

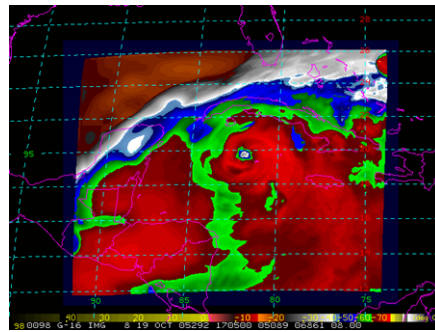


Hurricane Wilma - Synthetic Imagery

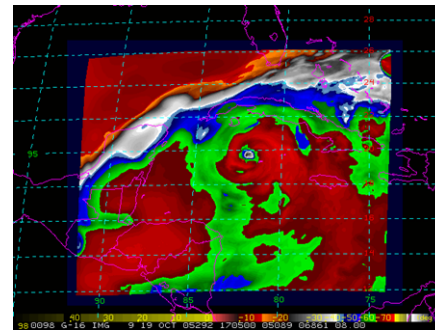
10 upper ABI Bands - 19 October 2005 1705 UTC



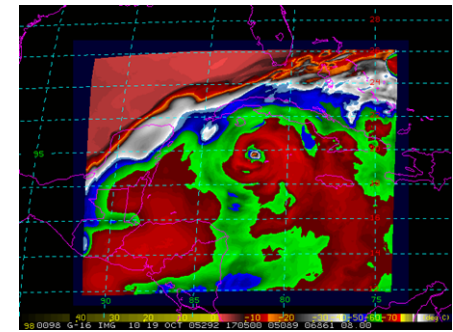
3.9 μm



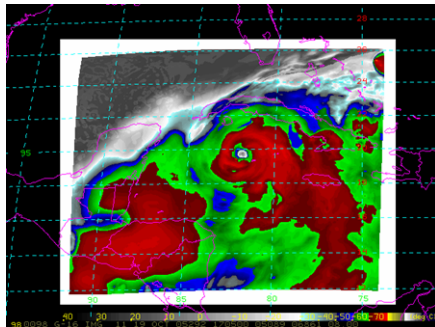
6.19 μm



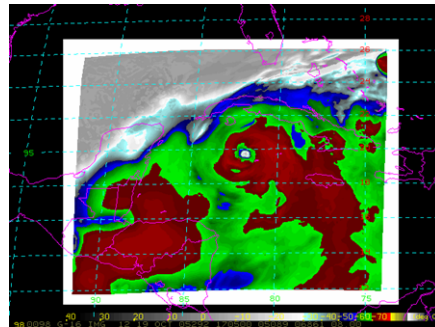
6.95 μm



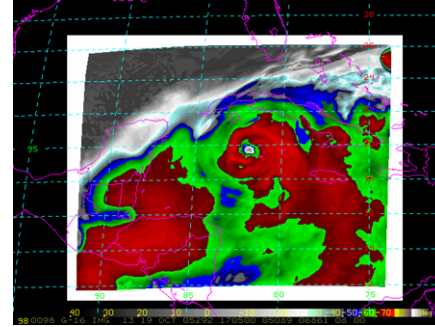
7.34 μm



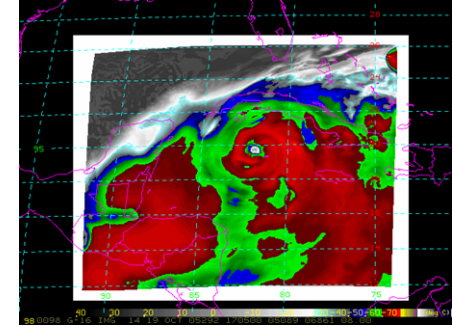
8.50 μm



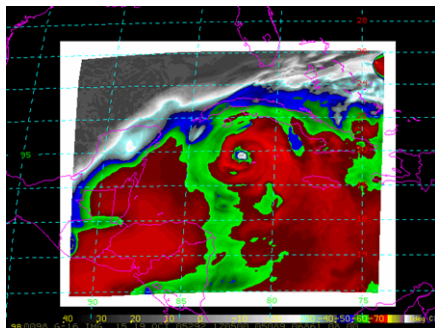
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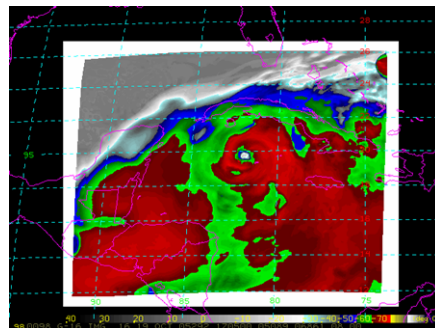
10.35 μm



11.20 μm



12.30 μm

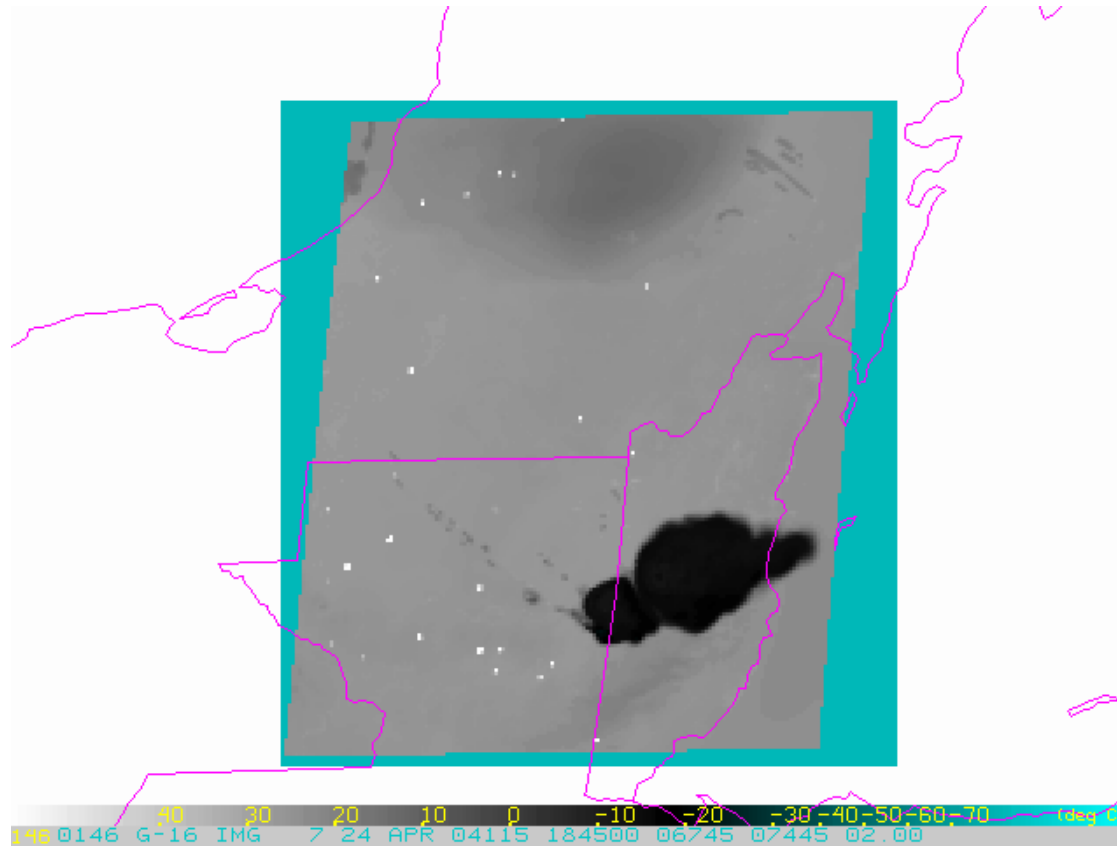


13.30 μm



Central America – 24 April 2004

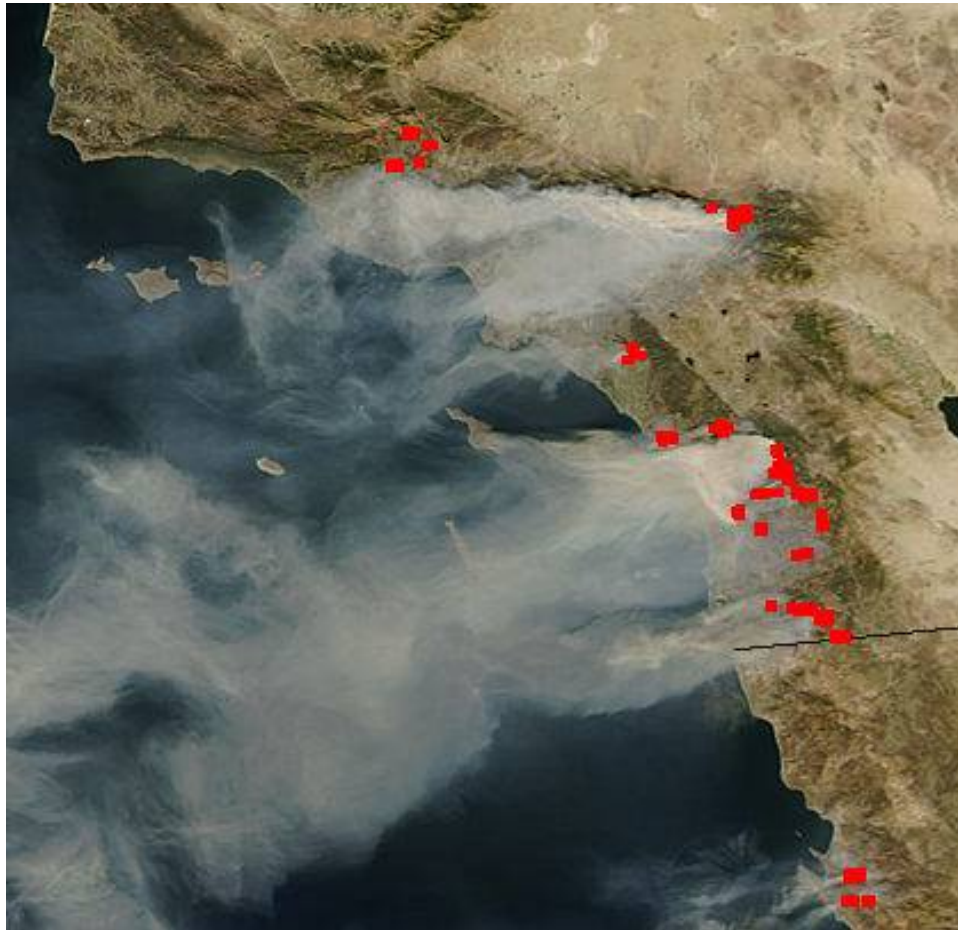
Agricultural Fires in Mexico, Guatemala, and Belize



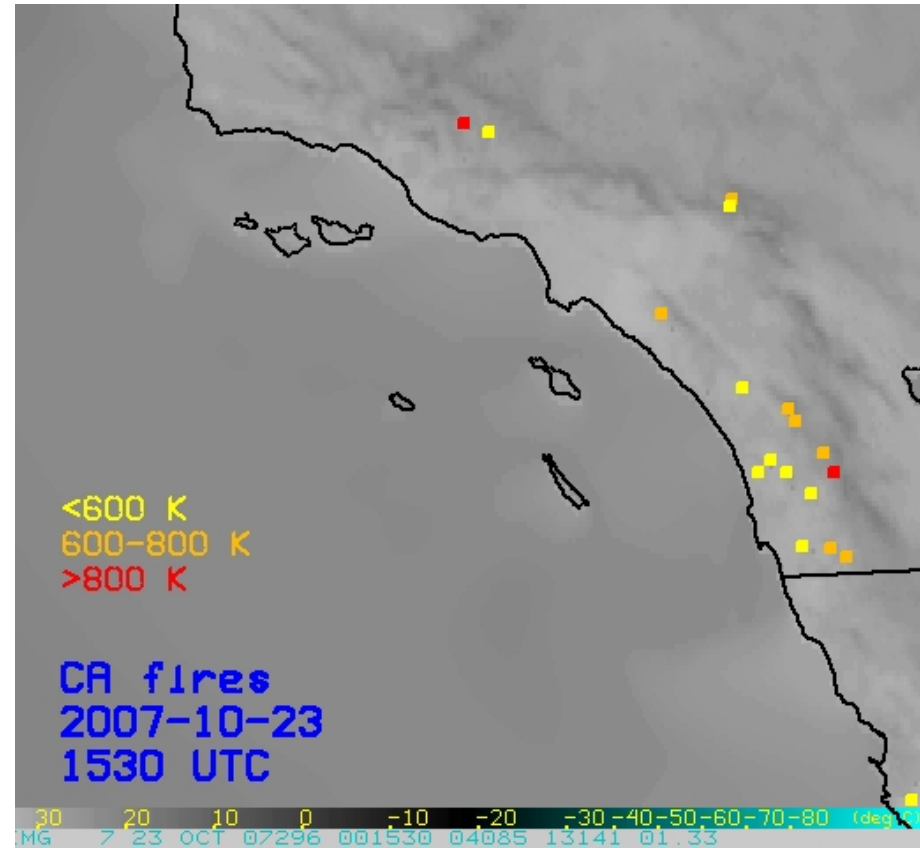
**Synthetic GOES-R ABI 3.9 μm
24 April 2004 1840 to 2100 UTC (5 min interval)**

[Click here](#) to view GOES-12 observations of the same fire event

California Fires 23 October 2007

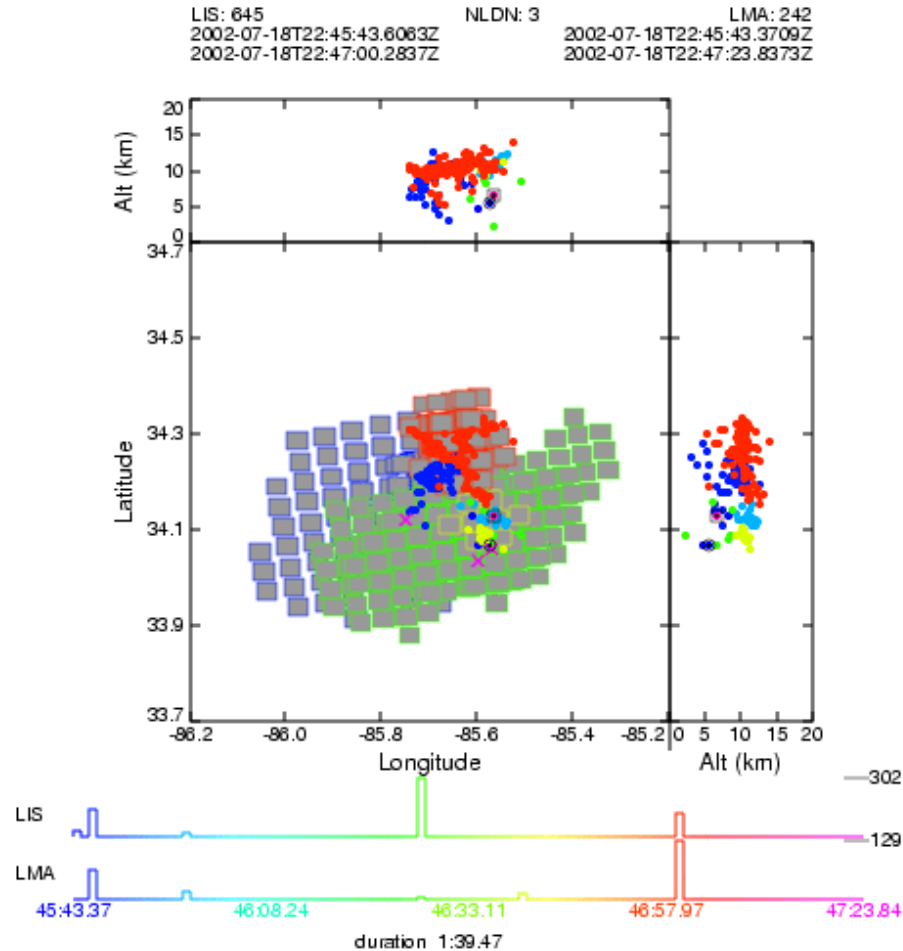


MODIS Satellite Image
True color - Satellite: Aqua - Pixel size: 1 km
Date: 2007/10/23 (created by NASA)



Synthetic ABI 3.9 μ m Image
produced by CIRA's RAMM Branch.
Date/time: 2007/10/23 15:30 UTC

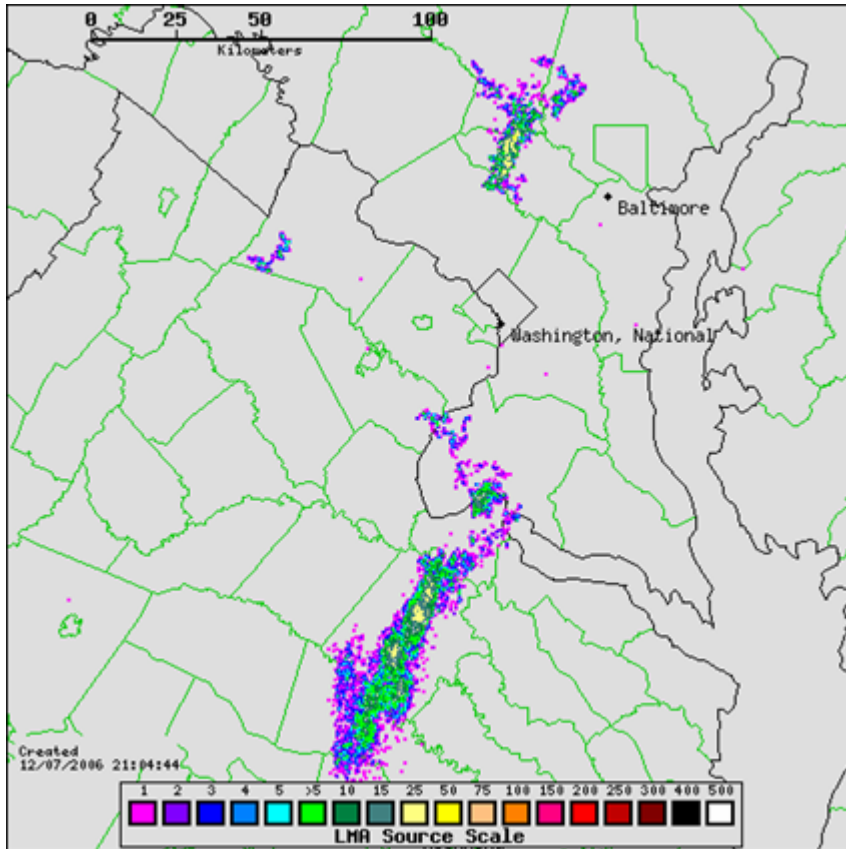
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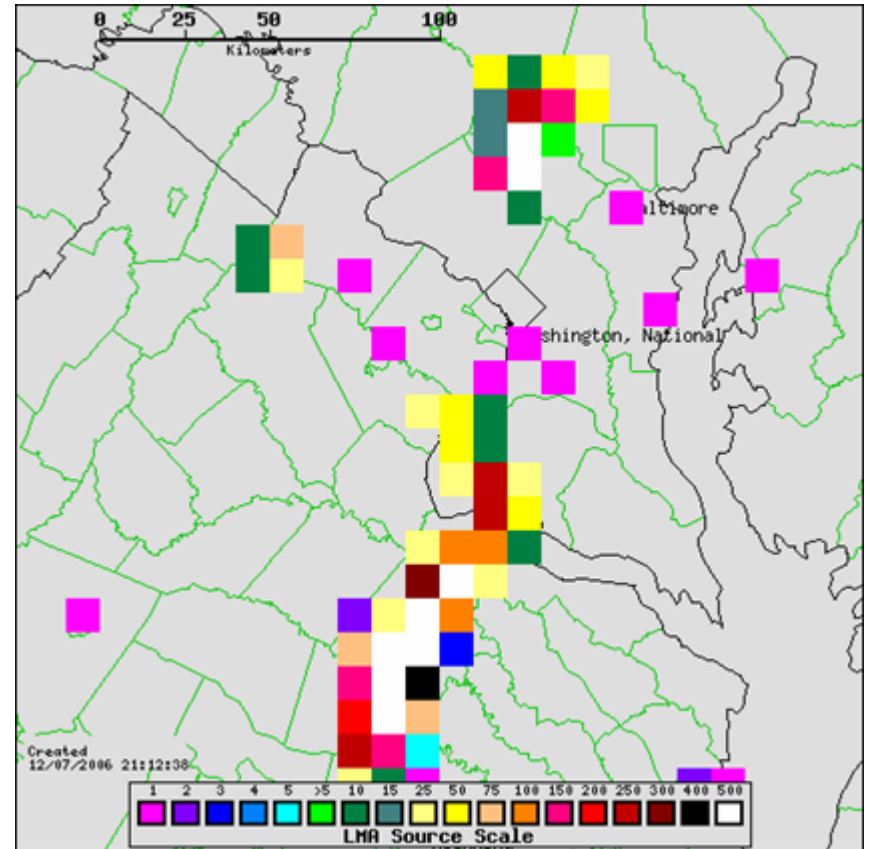
Tool developed to start inter-comparing LIS (squares), LMA (dots), and NLDN (Xs) for Proxy Data Development.

DC Regional Storms November 16, 2006

Resampled 5-min source density at 1 km and 10 km

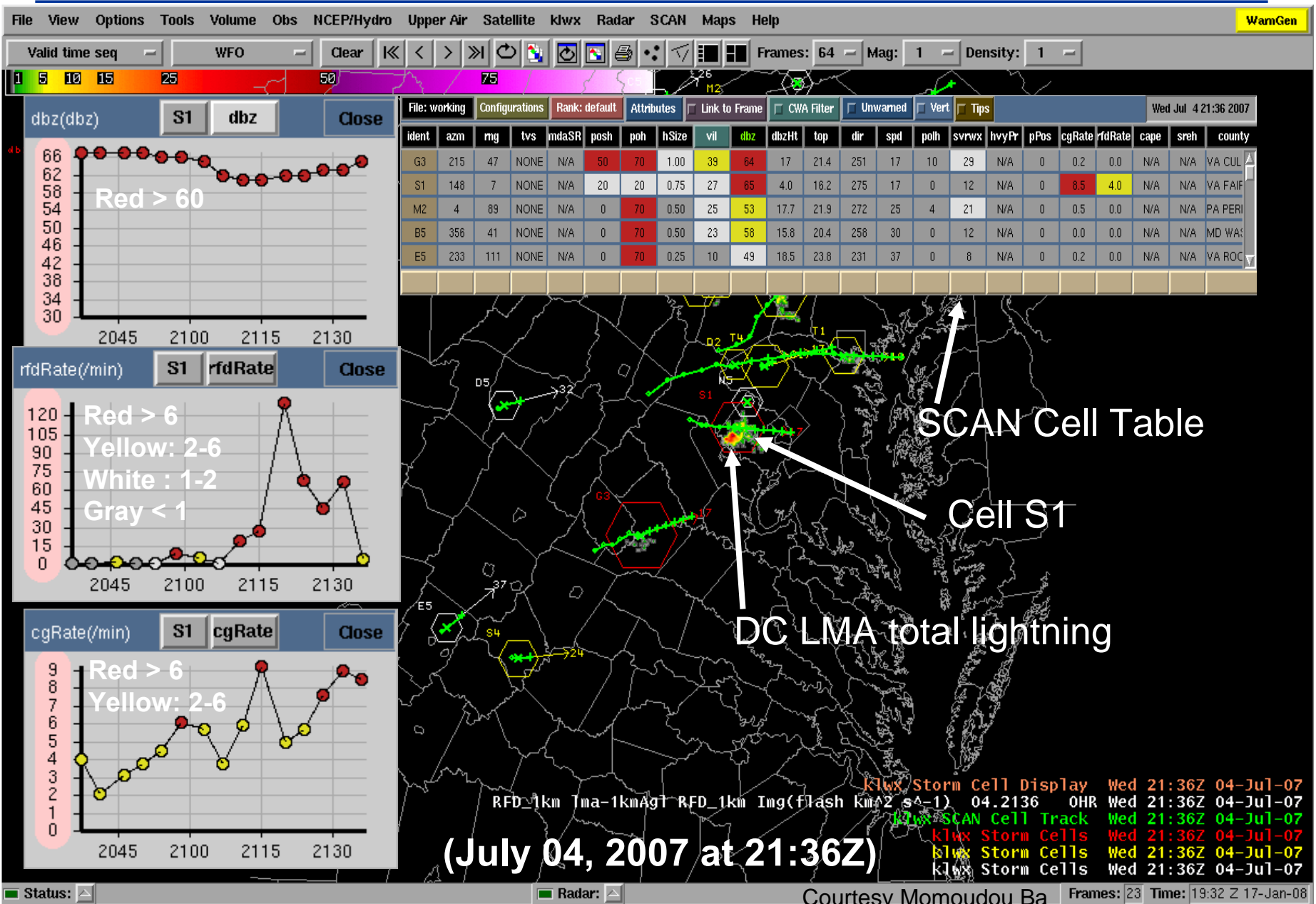


LMA 1 km resolution

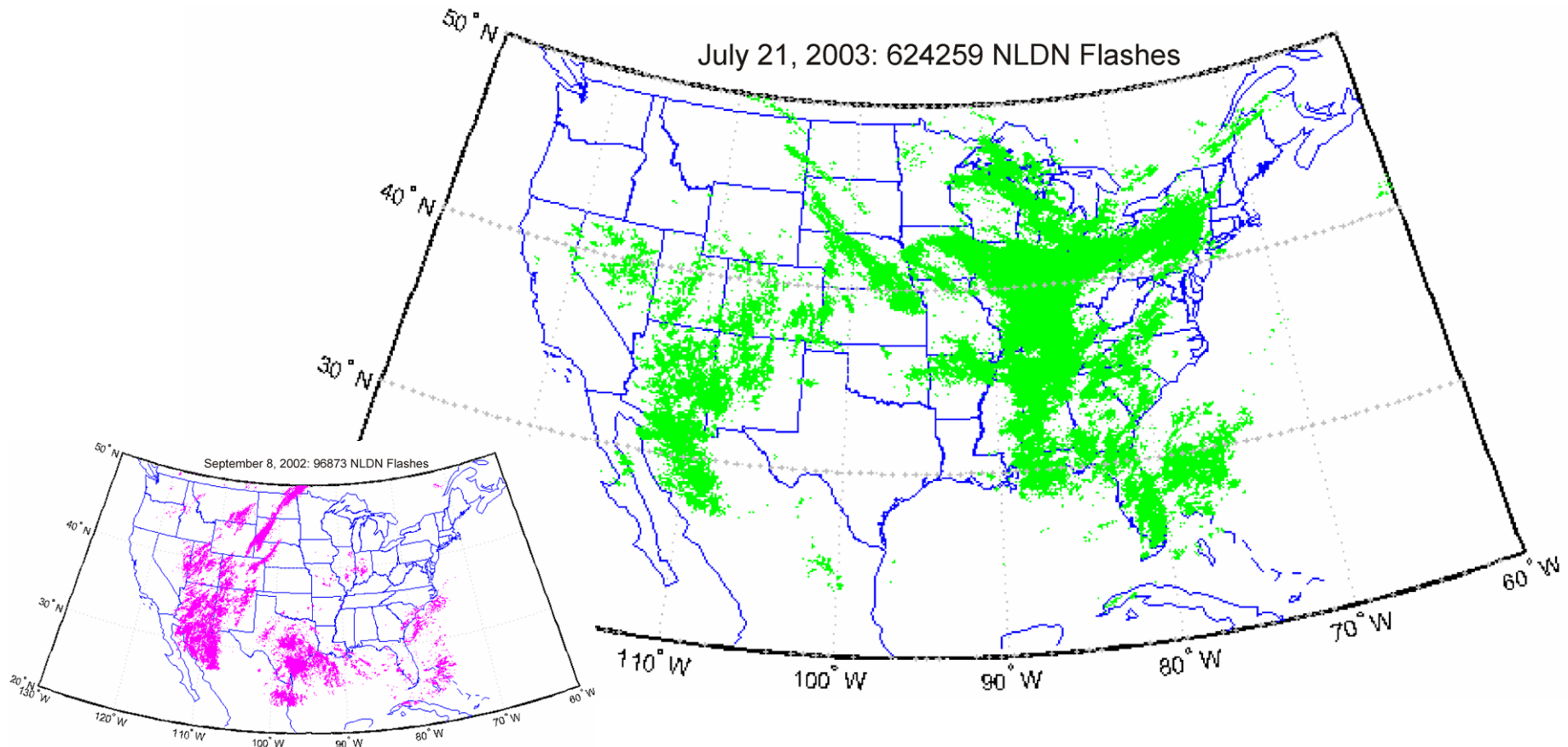


LMA @ GLM 10 km resolution

Lightning Jump Algorithm: Experimental Trending Implementation in AWIPS/SCAN



Regionalization Test Dataset



Since all we are testing is the regionalization code (no clustering), we do not need event-like data for this test. All we need is data that can be 'regionalized' and NLDN data works for that. Note that the day we chose (7-21-03, green) has more than 6X the NLDN lightning of a 'typical' day (e.g., 9-8-02, magenta).

Summary

- **Experienced:** Developed the algorithms for NOAA's satellite programs since their inception over 40 years ago
- **Knowledgeable:** Understand how to calibrate, validate and verify algorithms using techniques appropriate for instrument, product, and spectral characteristics
- **Efficient:** Capable of generating proxy data sets for all GOES-R instruments (ABI, GLM, Space Wx) for use in program activities
- **Coordinated:** Will develop, host, demonstrate, document, and deliver algorithms to meet program specifications
- **Consistent:** Established AWG management processes with a defined schedule that is aligned with GOES-R Program to provide status and track progress
- **On Track:** Demonstrated clear progress toward our algorithm development plan
 - 95% of algorithm design reviews have been completed
 - Numerous proxy and simulated datasets have been created
 - First versions of some product algorithms have been completed
 - First draft of ATBDs for all products will be completed by September 2008