

GCOM-W1 AMSR2 Algorithm Software Processor (GAASP)

Day 2 Products Algorithm Readiness Review

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Review Agenda

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Introduction

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GCOM

- The "Global Change Observation Mission" (GCOM) is a series of JAXA Earth missions lasting 10-15 years designed to obtain observations related to water and climate.
- The GCOM-W1 platform was launched May 18, 2012 and is the first satellite of the GCOM-W series.
- GCOM-W1 is in a sun-synchronus orbit (~700 km altitude) and part of the "A-Train" with an ascending node equator crossing time of 13:30 UTC.
- The AMSR2 (Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer 2) instrument onboard the GCOM-W1 satellite will continue Aqua/AMSR-E observations of water vapor, cloud liquid water, precipitation, SST, sea surface wind speed, sea ice concentration, snow depth, and soil moisture..



Stakeholder Roles

 The NOAA JPSS Office (NJO) is providing funding to OSGS, STAR, and OSPO to operationally generate and make available AMSR2 SDR and EDR products to support NOAA's user needs.

OSGS/NDE

- » Develop the NDE system
 - Ingest AMSR2 RDRs and ancillary data.
 - Run the GRAC (RDR-to-ASD converter).
 - Run the JAXA RDR-to-SDR software.
 - Run the STAR GCOM-W1 AMSR2 Algorithm Software Processor (GAASP).
 - Transfer products for distribution.
 - Interact with OSPO monitoring and control systems.
- » Integrate science algorithm packages received from STAR
- » Conduct system tests and deliver the system to OSPO



Stakeholder Roles

• STAR will:

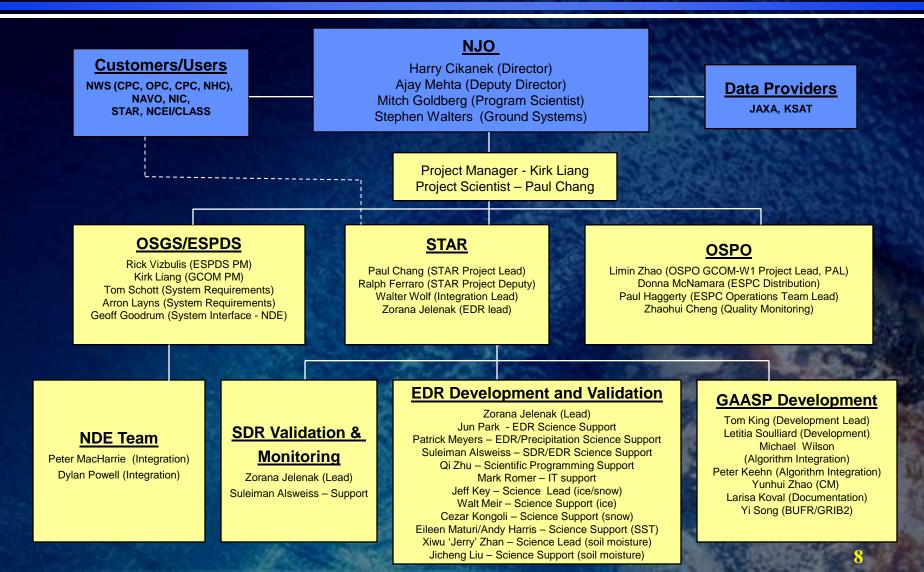
- » Develop a software package, called the GCOM-W1 AMSR2 Algorithm Software Processor (GAASP), to generate the AMSR2 EDRs and perform product reformatting to netCDF4.
- » Develop operational documentation for the GAASP package and the EDR algorithms following existing SPSRB templates.
- » Deliver the GAASP and documentation to NDE for integration into their system.
- » Develop and deliver tailoring capabilities for BUFR and/or GRIB2 in the Tailoring Toolkit.

OSPO will:

- » Receive the NDE system (with JAXA and GAASP packages integrated into it).
- » Operationally run and maintain the NDE system for the lifecycle of the project.
- » Conduct product quality monitoring through the OSPO Product Monitoring System.



GCOM-W1 Project Organization





STAR GAASP Development

- GAASP development will result in 4 deliveries:
- Day 1 Delivery:
 - » Products
 - Microwave Brightness Temperature (MBT)
 - Total Precipitable Water (TPW)
 - Cloud Liquid Water (CLW)
 - Sea Surface Temperature (SST)
 - Sea Surface Wind Speed (SSW)
 - Precipitation Type/Rate (PT/R)
 - » Reformatting Capability for MBT and SST into BUFR
 - » SPSRB documentation



STAR GAASP Development

• Day 2 Delivery:

- » Products
 - Snow Cover/Depth (SC/D)
 - Snow Water Equivalent (SWE)
 - Sea Ice Characterization (SIC)
 - Soil Moisture (SM)
 - Surface Type (ST)
- » Reformatting Capability for Sea Ice into GRIB2
- » Updated SPSRB Documentation
- Day 3 and 4 Delivery:
 - » Updates and enhancements to existing EDRs



Project Timeline

- Preliminary Design Review 11/08/2012
- Critical Design Review 5/1/2013
- Code Test Review 8/1/2013
- Software Code Review 9/18/2013
- Day 1 Algorithm Readiness Review 4/10/2014
- Day 1 Preliminary DAP delivery 12/09/2014
- Day 1 Operational Readiness Review 8/21/2015
- Day 1 Final DAP delivery 4/28/2015
- Day 2 Preliminary DAP delivery 10/5/2015
- Day 1 SPSRB briefing 10/21/2015
- Day 2 Final DAP delivery 3/22/2016
- Day 2 Algorithm Readiness Review 5/9/2016
- Day 2 Software Code Review 5/TBD/2016
- Day 2 Operational Readiness Review –TBD 2016
- Day 2 SPSRB briefing TBD 2016



GAASP Day 2 ARR Entry Criteria

- Updated Requirements Allocation Document (RAD)
- Updated Review Item Disposition (RID)
- Updated Day 1 ARR slide package
- Day 2 Final DAP
- Day 2 ARR (slide package)
- Updated SPSRB documents



GAASP Day 2 ARR Exit Criteria

- Updated RAD, if necessary
- Updated Review Item Disposition (RID)
- Updated Day 2 ARR slide package



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Day 1 ORR Report

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Day 1 ORR Report

- The GAASP Day 1 ORR Report is available as the Review Item Disposition (RID) shared on Google Docs (GAASP_Review_Item_Disposition).
- The RID covers all open and closed risks, actions, issues, and mitigations throughout the lifecycle of the project.
- Risks closed in previous reviews are not shown here, but are located in the RID.
- Risks shown here that are marked as "closed" will be closed with the approval of this review.



CDR Risk

- Risk #12: The allocated latency thresholds for processing orbital (as opposed to granule) products still need to be identified and approved. There is a CCR to adjust these allocations (JPSS CCR (NJO-2015-032, Rev A)), but it has not been approved because of pushback from NWS.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - End to end testing within the NDE system will demonstrate the actual run times.
 Based on these, NJO will need to work with NWS or request a waiver.
- Status: Open

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CONSEQUENCES



Day 1 ORR Risk

- Risk #22: There are some significant differences between the rain rate product generated at NDE versus that from STAR. Current thinking is that the algorithm is unstable when presented with small perturbations. The PAL considers this to be unacceptable for operational implementation to move forward.
- Risk Assessment: High
- Impact: High
- Likelihood: High
- Risk Mitigation:
 - GCOM science team needs to identify and fix the source of the instability in the algorithm. Prior to the fix, the algorithm can be switched off so that its absence does not impact any of the other products.

 Status: Closed (This was easily resolved by adjusting a compiler flag) CONSEQUENCES





Day 1 ORR Risk

- Risk #23: The GCOM SST product cannot be used for as input to the GHRSST blended product because of quality issues.
- Risk Assessment: Medium
- Impact: Medium
- Likelihood: High
- Risk Mitigation:
 - The GHRSST team will work with the GCOM ocean products team to improve quality. In the meantime, the GHRSST team will use the GCOM RSS product.
 - Ocean Products Oversight Panel will host a review meeting to further discuss the quality issue and provide recommendation for operation.
- Status: Closed (See validation of updated Day 1 ocean products)

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Day 1 ORR Risk

- Risk #24: The OI SST files come from a non-operational NCEI website. Files are not available several times a year. Please make sure code can choose the latest file of those available. Please make sure NDE xml is set accordingly. Ensure successful operation with a missing file is tested on NDE PE2 before promotion to PE1.
- Risk Assessment: Medium
- **Impact:** Medium
- Likelihood: High
- Risk Mitigation:
 - Tish and Dylan will make the updates to the NDE and GAASP systems.
- Status: Closed (GAASP can handle a file that is up to 14 days old. Otherwise, and error message is sent to the NDE system.)

CONSEQUENCES

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Day 1 ORR Report Summary

- 4 Risks Total:
 - » 1 Low
 - » 2 Medium
 - » 1 High

With the approval of the ARR reviewers all 3 risks can be closed.



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Requirements

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GAASP Requirements

- All requirements presented here are contained within the GAASP Requirements Allocation Document (RAD) made available in Google Docs (GAASP_RAD_1.5.docx).
- Requirements were obtained from the following:
 - » Project Office Requirements (JPSS L1RD Supplement)
 - » ESPDS SOW
 - » Project Plan
 - » Contacting users
 - » SPSRB process (coding/security standards and documentation requirements for OSPO).
 - » NDE DAP Standards Version 1.5



GAASP Requirements

• The requirements have already been presented in the previous reviews so we won't cover them all again.

• Since Day 1, the only updates are:

- » Updated the allocated latency (25 min) for the product generation.
- » Added the GHRSST generation/reformatting requirement (15.0).
- » Updated requirement 14.2 to specify the need and details for the Product Quality Monitoring metadata.



AMSR2 Products and Users

Product	Format	User
Microwave Brightness Temperatures	netCDF4	EMC (NCEP) for SMOPS - Michael Ek OSPO (SAB) need 36.5 and 89 GHz channelsboth H and V polarities - Sheldon Kusselson, Michael Turk NWS/NHC - Michael Brennan NAVOCEAN – Bruce McKenzie
Total Precipitable Water	netCDF4	NWS (CPC, NWSFO, NHC) for use in blended products - Jim Heil, Mike Johnson, Michael Brennan OSPO (SAB) - Sheldon Kusselson, Michael Turk
Cloud Liquid Water	netCDF4	NCEP/EMC - Brad Ferrier
Precipitation Type/Rate	netCDF4	NWS (CPC, NWSFO, NESDIS, NHC) - Pingping Xie, Jim Heil, Michael Brennan OSPO (SAB) - Sheldon Kusselson, Michael Turk NCEP/EMC - Brad Ferrier
Sea Surface Temperature	netCDF4	EMC (NCEP) - Bert Katz NWS/NHC - Michael Brennan CoastWatch/OceanWatch - Kent Hughes Coral Reef Watch - Mark Eakin Global High Resolution Sea Surface Temperature Group (International) - Peter Minnette NWS/NCEP/EMC/MMAB - Robert Grumbine NWS/NCEP/OPC - Joe Sienkiewicz - Ming Ji, NWS/NCEP/OPC - Joe Sienkiewicz - Ming Ji, NWS/NCEP/CPC - Pingping Xie NMFS/Pacific Marine Lab - Cara Wilson JCSDA - Eric Bayler NWS/NCEP/EMC/MMAB - Avichal Mehra Navy - Bruce McKenzie NASA/SPoRT - Gary Jedlevoc OAR/AOML - Gustavo Goni OAR/ESRL - Gary Wick



AMSR2 Products and Users

Product	Format	User
Sea Surface Winds	netCDF4	OSPO (SAB) - Sheldon Kusselson, Michael Turk NWS/NHC - Michael Brennan
Soil Moisture	netCDF4	EMC (NCEP) via SMOPS - Michael Ek
Sea Ice Characterization	netCDF4	NIC - Sean Helfrich NAVOCEAN – Bruce McKenzie
Snow Cover/Depth	netCDF4	NIC - Sean Helfrich
Snow Water Equivalent	netCDF4	NIC - Sean Helfrich
Surface Type	netCDF4	NWS (CPC, NWSFO) for use in blended hydro products - Jim Heil EMC – SMOPS Mike Ek



Basic Requirement 1.0

• **Requirement 1.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a GCOM imagery product.

Table 1.0 GCOM Imagery			
EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective	
Applicable conditions		 Delivered under "all weather" conditions. Each channel shall be provided at its highest native resolution. All channels shall be Vertically and Horizontally polarized. All channels sampled at 10 km except 89 GHz, which is at 5 km. 	
Horizontal sampling interval	10 km, except 89 GHz which is at 5 km	Same as threshold	
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	3 km	
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified	
Latency	25 minutes		



Basic Requirement 2.0

• **Requirement 2.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a total precipitable water (TPW) product.

Table 2.0 GCOM Total Precipitable Water

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Horizontal cell size	10km (21 GHz FOV sampling)	5 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km
Measurement range	1 – 75 mm	1 - 100 mm
Measurement uncertainty	2mm or 10% whichever is greater	1 mm or 4% whichever is greater
Measurement accuracy	1 mm	0.2mm
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified
Coverage	Ice-free global ocean	Ice-free global ocean
Latency	25 minutes	



Basic Requirement 3.0

• Requirement 3.0: The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a cloud liquid water (CLW) product.

Table 3.0 GCOM Cloud Liquid Water

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Horizontal cell size	10 km (37 GHz FOV size); 10 km sampling	5 km
Vertical reporting interval	Total Column	Total Column
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km
Measurement uncertainty (1 kg/m ² = 1 mm)	0.05 mm over ocean; Best efforts over land	0.02 mm
Measurement Accuracy	0.01 mm	Not Specified
Coverage	Global Ice-free Oceans	Global
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified
Range (1 kg/m ² = 1 mm)	0.005 – 1 mm	0 - 2 mm
Latency	25 minutes	

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Basic Requirement 4.0

• **Requirement 4.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a precipitation type/rate (PT/R) product.

Table 4.0 GCOM Precipitation Type/Rate

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Horizontal cell size	5 km land (89 GHz FOV); 5 km ocean (37 GHz FOV size); 5-10 km sampling	5.0 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	< 5 km	3.0 km
Measurement range	0 – 50 mm/hr	Not Specified
Measurement precision	0.05 mm/hr	0.05 mm/hr
Measurement uncertainty	2 mm/hr over ocean; 5 mm/hr over land	2 mm/hr
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified
Precipitation type	Stratiform or convective	Not Specified
Latency	25 minutes	



Basic Requirement 5.0

• Requirement 5.0: The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a snow cover/depth (SC/D) product.

Table 5.0 GCOM Snow Cover/Depth

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Sensing depth	0 – 60 cm	1 m
Horizontal cell size	10 km	5 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km
Snow depth ranges	5 – 60 cm	> 8 cm; > 15 cm; > 30 cm; > 51 cm; > 76 cm
Measurement uncertainty		
Clear	80% probability of correct snow/no snow classification; Snow Depth: 20 cm (30 cm if forest cover exceeds 30%)	10% for snow depth
Cloudy	80% probability of correct snow/no snow classification; Snow Depth: 20 cm	Not Specified
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified
Latency	25 minutes	



Basic Requirement 6.0

 Requirement 6.0: The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a surface type (ST) product.

Table 6.0 Surface Type (AMSR-2)

EDR Attribute	Threshold ⁽¹⁾	Objective
Applicable conditions	Delivered under "all weather" conditions	Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Horizontal cell size	25 km	1 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3σ	5 km	1 km
Measurement Range	8 hydrological classes ⁽²⁾	13 classes of land types listed in Note ⁽³⁾
Measurement Precision	5%	2%
Measurement Accuracy	70% for 17 types	80%
Refresh	>90% coverage of globe every 20 hrs $^{(4)}$	n/s
Latency	25 minutes	



Basic Requirement 7.0

• **Requirement 7.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a soil moisture (SM) product.

Table 7.0 - GCOM-W Soil Moisture

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions	Delivered under "all weather" conditions	Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Sensing depth	Surface to -0.1 cm (skin layer)	Surface to -80 cm
Horizontal cell size	40km (1)	20 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km
Measurement Uncertainty	6% volumetric RMSE (goal) with VWC < 1.5 kg/m ² or GVF < 0.5 and < 2 mm/hr precip rate	Surface: 5% 80 cm column: 5%
Measurement range	0 – 50%(2)	0 – 50%
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)(3)	n/s
Latency	25 minutes	

Note:

(1) Per AMSR-E legacy and user convenience, 25km can be obtained.

(2) Absolution soil moisture unit (m³/m³ volume %) is preferred by most users of NWP community

(3) This Refresh requirement is consistent with the AMSR-2 Cross-track Swath Width design of 1450 km for a single orbit plane



Basic Requirement 8.0

• Requirement 8.0: The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a sea ice characterization (SIC) product.

Table 8.0.1 GCOM Sea Ice Characterization

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Vertical coverage	Ice surface	Ice surface
Horizontal cell size	10 km	5 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	3 km
Measurement range		
Ice concentration	1/10 – 10/10	0 – 100%
Ice age classes	lce free, first-year, multiyear ice	Ice free, nilas, grey white, grey, white, first year medium, first year thick, second year, and multiyear; smooth and deformed ice



Basic Requirement 8.0 Cont.

Table 8.0.2 GCOM Sea Ice Characterization			
EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective	
Measurement uncertainty			
Ice concentration	10%	5%	
Probability of correct typing of ice age classes	70%	90%	
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified	
Geographic coverage	All ice-covered regions of the global ocean	All ice-covered regions of the global ocean	
Latency	25 minutes		

Note: This is a global product updated every orbit using the previous 24 hours of orbital data.



Basic Requirement 8.0 Cont.

 Requirement 8.1: The GAASP Sea Ice product will be produced every orbit using the last 24 hours of data.

• Note: This is a request from Robert Grumbine at EMC. He has requested this product be in GRIB2.

Tom (10/1/14):

We're working on integrating the AMSR2 sea ice code. I see that this is normally generated as a daily global product which is sent out once a day.

It is, however, possible to have a daily global product that is updated with each new orbital dump. Therefore, it would still be a global sea ice product, but it would be generated and distributed every ~100 minutes each time using the most recent 24 hours of orbital data as input. Would you want that or would you just rather get a daily product generated and sent to you once a day? Does sea ice change quickly enough for that to even matter?

Bob (11/10/14):

I waffled some on how to manage the every orbit vs. once per day. I've settled on requesting the every orbit update of the last 24 hours (as of the time of transmission). That sits better with how we do our processing, and is more amenable to us working towards having more than once cycle per day ourselves.



• **Requirement 9.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a sea surface temperature (SST) product.

Table 9.0 GCOM Sea Surface Temperature

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Horizontal cell size	40 km	20 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	3 km
Measurement range	271 – 313 K	271 – 313 K
Measurement accuracy, skin & bulk	0.5 K	0.1 K
Measurement uncertainty	1.0 K	0.5 K
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified
Geographic coverage	Global oceans	Global oceans
Latency	25 minutes	



• **Requirement 10.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a sea surface wind (SSW) product.

Table 10.0.1 GCOM Sea Surface Wind – Speed

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions: Delivered under "all weather" conditions		
Horizontal cell size (Wind speed)	33 km (10.7 GHz FOV size); 10 km sampling	1km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	TBS-11	1 km
Measurement range (Speed)	2 – 30 m/sec	1 – 50 m/sec
Measurement uncertainty (Speed)	Greater of 2.0 m/sec or 10%	Not Specified
Measurement Accuracy	0.5 m/sec	0.2 m/sec
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified
Geographic Coverage	Global Ice-free Oceans	Global Ice-free Oceans
Latency	25 minutes	



• **Requirement 11.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a snow water equivalent (SWE) product.

Table 11.0 GCOM Snow Water Equivalent

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions
Horizontal cell size	10 km	5 km
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km
Measurement range	10 – 200 mm	Not Specified
Measurement uncertainty		Not Specified
Shallow to moderate snow packs (10 – 100 mm)	20 mm or 50%	Not Specified
High snow accumulation (above 100 mm)	70%	Not Specified
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified
Latency	25 minutes	

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- Requirement 12.0: The STAR GCOM-W1 AMSR2 Algorithm Software Processor (GAASP) development team shall deliver the GAASP software package to NDE for integration into their data handling and scheduling system.
 - It is our understanding that the OSGS contractor-built system will, in turn, be delivered to OSPO where it will run operationally.
- Requirement 12.1: The GAASP package shall be delivered to NDE as a Delivered Algorithm Package (DAP). The DAP shall contain all the code (programs and scripts), test data, and SPSRB-required documentation.
 - The DAP is defined in the NDE DAP standards document.



- Requirement 12.2: The STAR GCOM-W1 GAASP code contained within the DAP shall adhere to SPSRB coding standards and ESPC security standards.
- Requirement 12.3: The STAR GAASP development team shall deliver to the NDE the following SPSRB-required documentation as part of the DAP:
 - » A System Maintenance Manual (SMM)
 - » An External Users Manual (EUM)
 - » An Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document (ATBD)



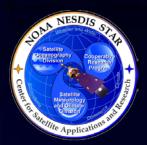
- Requirement 12.4: The GAASP software shall consist of the STAR EDR algorithm code wrapped in Perl scripts. These will be run within the NDE system.
 - » These scripts shall also drive the additional front and back end data format tailoring programs to assist the science code. This approach will minimize modification of the science code while providing users with the required format and providing a common interface to NDE.



- Requirement 12.5: The GAASP software shall be able to compile and run on the NDE integration, test, and production platforms.
 - Details about target platform such as available memory, disk space, CPUs, and compilers are to be determined.
- Requirement 12.6: The GAASP code shall be able to compile such that it does not require access to compiler libraries at run time (compilers not allowed on OSPO production machines).



- Requirement 13.0: The GAASP software shall be able to generate all the required GCOM EDR products.
- Requirement 13.1: The GAASP software shall read and use the AMSR2 SDR (native and remapped) HDF5 files produced by the JAXA code. The data from these HDF5 files will be read in by the GAASP preprocessor code, RFI and bias corrections will be applied, and the output passed to the actual EDR programs will be HDF5.
- Requirement 13.2: The GAASP postprocessor software shall tailor the STAR EDR program output files for delivery into netCDF4.



- Requirement 13.3: The GAASP software shall perform error checking, handling, and logging.
 - The GAASP software shall check the return value of all system-level and script level commands within the driver scripts. Success or failure of a given run shall be returned to the data handling and scheduling system (NDE). All exits shall be graceful.
 - The GAASP software shall generate detailed human-comprehensible error messages; these shall be directed to log files in the local working directory.
- Requirement 13.4: The GAASP software shall produce flags that indicate "degradation" and "exclusion" conditions for products as defined in section 3.3 of the JPSS L1RD Supplement.

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- Requirement 13.5: All GAASP output files made available to the distribution interface shall adhere to a slightly modified version of the NDE file naming convention.
 - » Note: Date/Time strings will be in YYYYMMDDhhmmss instead of YYYYMMDDhhmmsss (no tenths of second as this was an IDPS convention).
- Requirement 13.6: The GAASP software shall be able to read a Production Control File (PCF) produced by the NDE and it will produce a Production Status File (PSF) containing the names of the successfully generated output files. The contents of these files shall adhere to existing NDE standards.
 - » Note: Production rules associated with invocation of the algorithms (PCF generation) shall be negotiated with the OSGS contractors and documented in the System Maintenance Manual.



- Requirement 14.0: The GAASP development team shall perform quality assurance on the software package and data products as well as assist with product quality monitoring activities at OSPO.
- Requirement 14.1: The GAASP developers shall conduct unit tests of the GAASP software. The unit tests shall be conducted, documented and then presented in a Code Test Review. This will validate the software functionality and the product quality.



- Requirement 14.2: The GAASP software shall produce quality metadata within the netCDF4 output files. These metadata will be used by the OSPO Product Quality Monitoring Tool.
- Requirement 14.3: The GAASP software shall be submitted to OSPO for a Software Code Review to verify that the software meets SPSRB coding standards and ESPC security standards.



- **Requirement 15.0:** The GAASP software will output GHRSST files for the blended product users.
- **Requirement 15.1:** The GAASP software read the Ocean products netCDF4 EDR file, run the GHRSST processing code to generate error characteristics, and output a GHRSST compliant netCDF4 file.
- Note: This will be performed in the GAASP postprocessor code. Andy Harris will deliver GHRSST processing code to the GAASP developers for integration.



GAASP Requirements Summary

- The GAASP Day 1 and 2 Requirements have been established.
- These have been documented in the Requirements Allocation Document (RAD).
- The Requirements are traceable to drivers (customer needs or expectations) and other requirements.



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Software Architecture

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GAASP Processing Architecture

- The GAASP Day 1 software architecture has already presented in the previous reviews (PDR, CDR, CTR).
- There have been some adjustments to the architecture since Day 1 ARR. Only the updates made since then will be presented. These are highlighted in green.



GAASP Processing Architecture

Hardware Environment

- » STAR Science/System Development and Test
- » Integration/Test and Production

Software Description

- » System Level Flow
- » Unit Level Flow



GAASP Processing Architecture

Data Files

- » Input Files
- » Ancillary Files (Dynamic/Static)
- » Output Files
- » Log/Monitoring Files
- » Resource Files
- » File Formats



GAASP Production and Development Hardware

STAR Development Hardware (rhs8142.star1.nesids.noaa.gov)

- » Architecture: 64-bit Intel® Xeon™ X5680
- » OS Version: Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6
- » Diskspace: 72TB raw disk, ~30TB unallocated to logical volumes.
- » Number of Processors: 12
 - dual 6-core processors
- » Total Memory: 96GB RAM, DDR3
- » Processor Clockspeed: 3.33GHz
- » Fortran Compiler: Intel Fortran Composer XE (Version 12.1.3)



NDE/GAASP Integration Hardware

Integration Hardware

- » 7 servers with 189 GB of RAM
- » 21 servers with 94 GB RAM
- » 6 cores
- » 64-bit Intel Xeon E5-2640 @ 2.5 GHz
- » 24 CPUs per server
- » RHEL 6
- » 1.5 TB of local storage
- » NAS (formerly the SAN): 500 TB storage



NDE/GAASP Production Hardware

Production Hardware

- » 7 servers with 189 GB of RAM
- » 21 servers with 94 GB RAM
- » 6 cores
- » 64-bit Intel Xeon E5-2640 @ 2.5 GHz
- » 24 CPUs per server
- » RHEL 6
- » 1.5 TB of local storage
- » NAS (formerly the SAN): 500 TB storage



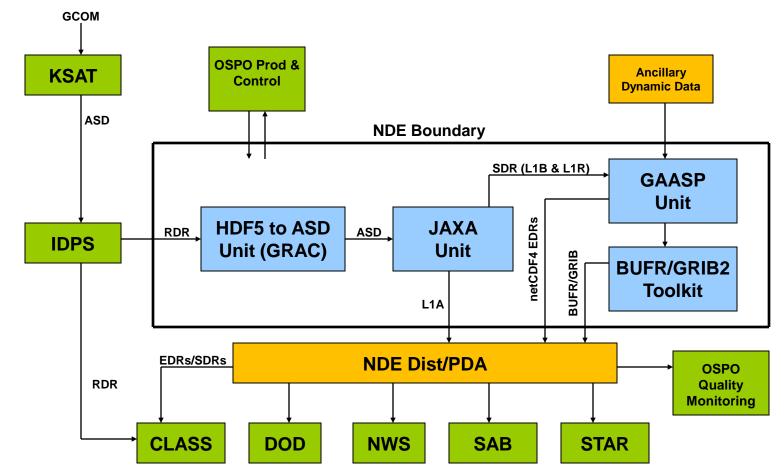
NDE Processing and Distribution System

- The following slide shows a high-level chart of how GAASP runs within NDE and its interfaces.
- The blue boxes in the figure represent the 3 delivered software components that need to run within the NDE.



NDE Interfaces

NDE Interfaces





GAASP External Interfaces

- External input and output files are identified in the tables on the following 2 slides, respectively.
 - » Input files include both input data files and ancillary data.
 - » The tables indentify the file name patterns, formats, and sources (for input files).
 - » Files needed/produced for Day 1 and Day 2 products are identified.
 - » GAASP follows the NDE output file naming convention for products.
 - » netCDF4 output files contain the NDE-compliant metadata and metadata for the OSPO Product Monitoring.
 - » The transfers of external files to and from GAASP will be automated by the NDE.



GAASP External Dynamic Input Data

External Dynamic Input Data

Input File	Name Pattern	Source	Update Frequency	When	EDR	Туре	Format	Size
AMSR2 SDR Native Res	GW1AM2_????????????_???_L1SGBT BR_1110110.h5	IDPS via NDE	~100 minutes	Day 1	MBT, SST, SSW, TPW, CLW, PR, SM, ST, SC, SD, SWE	Input	HDF5	9.2 MB
AMSR2 SDR Remapped	GW1AM2_?????????????_???_L1SGRT BR_1110110.h5	IDPS via NDE	~100 minutes	Day 1	SST, SSW, TPW, CLW, SIC	Input	HDF5	12.7 MB
GFS Forecast (0.5 degree)	gfs.t??z.pgrb2f?????????	DDS	6 hours	Day 1	SST, SSW, TPW, CLW	Ancillary	GRIB2	18.5 MB
Daily OI SST	avhrr-only-v2.??????_preliminary	DDS	Daily	Day 1	PR, SST, SSW, TPW, CLW	Ancillary	Binary	1.8 MB
Sea Ice	seaice.t00z.5min.grb.grib2.???????	DDS	Daily	Day 1	RFI	Ancillary	GRIB2	0.5 MB

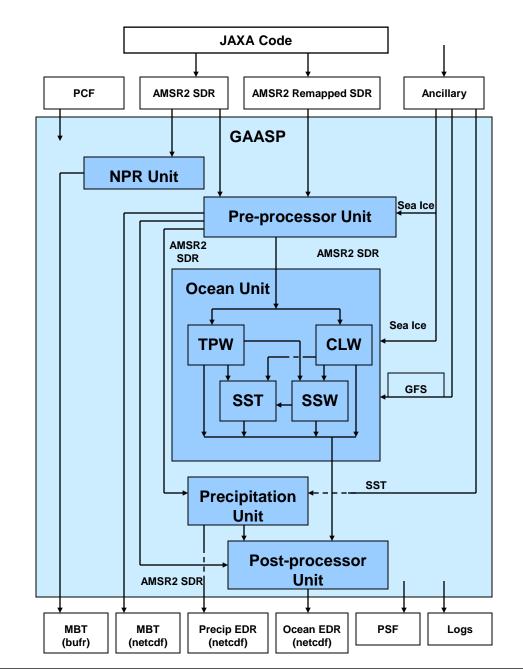


GAASP External Output Data

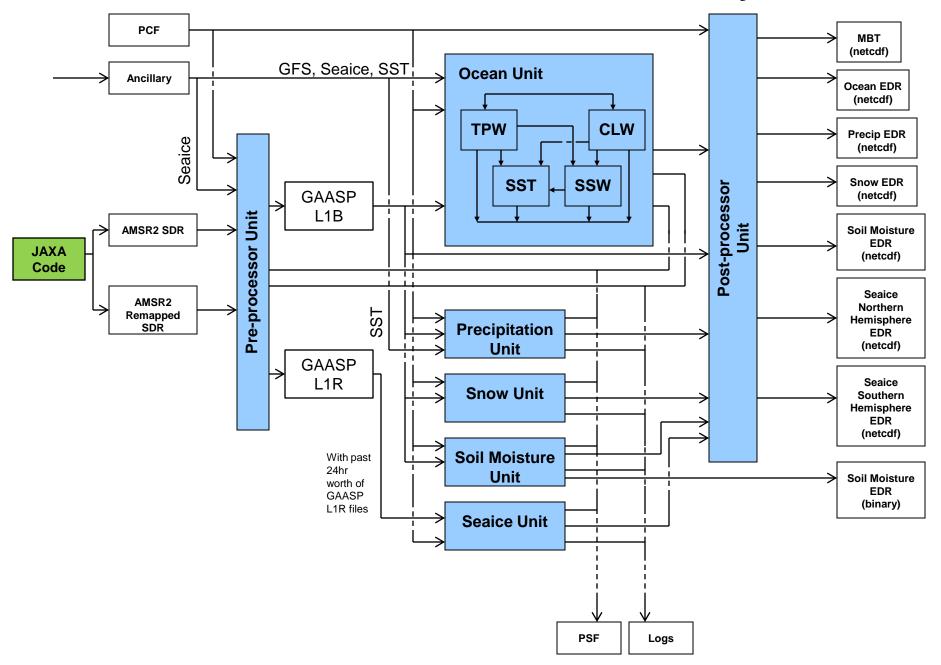
External Output Data (Day1)

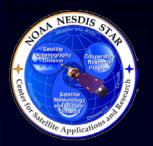
Output File	Name Pattern	Update Frequency	When	Format	Size
AMSR2 SDR Native Res	AMSR2-MBT_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 1	netCDF4	244 MB
Ocean (CLW, TPW, SST, SSW)	AMSR2-OCEAN_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 1	netCDF4	160 MB
Precip (PT/R)	AMSR2-PRECIP_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 1	netCDF4	60 MB
SST	AMSR2-GHRSST_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 1	netCDF4	TBD MB
Land (SM & ST)	AMSR2-SOIL_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 2	netCDF4	31 MB
Land (SM & ST)	AMSR2-SOIL_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.bin	~100 minutes	Day 2	Binary	4.9 MB
Snow (SC/D & SWE)	AMSR2-SNOW_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 2	netCDF4	37 MB
Sea Ice (SIC) – Northern Hemisphere	AMSR2-SEAICE-NH_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 2	netCDF4	64 MB
Sea Ice (SIC) – Southern Hemisphere	AMSR2-SEAICE-SH_v2r0_GW1_sYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_eYYYYMMDDhhmmsss_cYYYYMMDDhhmmsss.nc	~100 minutes	Day 2	netCDF4	24 MB

GAASP Software Unit Data Flow: Day 1



GAASP Software Unit Data Flow: Day 2





- The Day 2 GAASP consists of seven Perl driver scripts that wrap the individual FORTRAN codes.
 - » These scripts are run by the NDE system and in turn run the entire GAASP processing for a single input orbit (i.e. SDR to EDR) for each unit respectively.
 - » Within each driver script everything is run serially (no forking of processes)
 - » These units scripts handle direct interfaces and arguments for individual algorithm executables (science code)
 - » The driver and its unit scripts:
 - Conduct local file management (e.g. creating, removing, and renaming) in the local working directory (only)
 - Perform of error handling and generate higher-level error logs for NDE/OSPO production monitoring
 - » All science code is written Fortran 90 (Compiled using the Intel Compiler). There is no science code written in an interpreted or high-level language like IDL and Matlab.



- The Day 2 GAASP driver scripts are invoked by the NDE system and may be run in parallel by the NDE system, provided the necessary files are available.
 - » The production rules for the driver scripts are documented in the System Maintenance Manual and will be delivered as part of the DAP.
 - » Interfaces between NDE and GAASP consist of PCF and PSF files.
 - » The Postprocessor may be run for each individual product separately or combined into one run as necessary for meeting latency.

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- GAASP does NOT do the following as these tasks are understood to be tasks performed by NDE:
 - » Schedule jobs
 - » Invoke its own driver scripts
 - » Fork processes or load manage jobs
 - » Set up and manage system directories
 - » Ingest, distribute, or transfer files
 - » Interact directly with the OSPO production or quality monitoring



- Preprocessor unit:
 - » Perform brightness temperature bias correction
 - » Assign the RFI flag
 - » Output the HDF5 intermediate files (L1B and L1R) to be used by all downstream EDRs
- Ocean unit:
 - » Generate all ocean EDRs (TPW, CLW, SST, SSW)
 - » Generate QA metadata or products for OSPO monitoring.
- Precipitation unit:
 - » Generate land/ocean precipitation EDR
 - » Generate QA metadata or products for OSPO monitoring.
- Snow unit:
 - » Generates snow EDRs
 - » Generate QA metadata or products for OSPO monitoring.
- Soil Moisture unit:
 - » Generates Land Soil Moisture EDRs
 - » Creates Binary output file
 - » Generate QA metadata or products for OSPO monitoring.



- Sea Ice unit:
 - » Generates Sea Ice EDRs
 - » Generate QA metadata or products for OSPO monitoring.
- Postprocessor unit:
 - » Converts all HDF5 files to netCDF4 format for distribution for each algorithm
 - » Will handle the tailoring of the Ocean EDR to GHRSST.
- NOAA Product Reformatter (NPR) Runs outside of GAASP. However, it has been updated to perform the following:
 - » Tailor L1B hdf5 output to BUFR
 - » Tailor SST netCDF output to BUFR
 - » Tailor Sea Ice netCDF4 to GRIB2



- The internal file format for files within the driver script will be HDF5.
- Ancillary data is obtained by the NDE system from DDS/PDA (see table) and made available to the Day 2 GAASP driver scripts as necessary.



GAASP System Design: NDE Interfaces

- The interface between the NDE system and the GAASP driver script consists of an Production Control File (PCF) and Production Status File (PSF) files.
 - » PCF contains:
 - All the required input files to process an orbit, including paths if they're located outside the working directory. This includes input instrument and ancillary data, static files such as templates and lookup tables.
 - Any run parameters or flags
 - » PSF contains all successfully generated output files
- During production, a PCF for a given run is produced by the NDE and made available to an instance of the GAASP driver in a local working directory.
 - » The contents of the PCF are based on the production rules defined in the System Maintenance Manual.
- The GAASP driver runs and produces its output and a PSF file in the same working directory. The NDE then reads this file, determines the output file name(s) from it, and distributes it to DDS.



GAASP System Design: NDE Interfaces

• Here's an example of a GAASP PCF from the Preprocessor Unit:

working directory=/home/GAASP/SATELLITE DATA/GCOM-W1/day2/2015/10/02/201510020858 036B/Preprocessor PSF_FILE=/home/GAASP/SATELLITE_DATA/GCOM-W1/day2/PSF/ GAASP Preprocessor 201510020858 036B 20151002.PSF L1B_FILE=GW1AM2_201510020858_036B_L1SNBTBR_2210210.h5 L1R_FILE=GW1AM2_201510020858_036B_L1SNRTBR_2210210.h5 EMAIL ERROR FLAG=YES OPS_MACHINE=letitias@rhs8142.star1.nesdis.noaa.gov OPS_MAIL=letitia.soulliard@noaa.gov LOG_FILE=/home/GAASP/SATELLITE_DATA/GCOM-W1/day2/2015/10/02/201510020858_036B/Preprocessor/GAASP.log PERL_LOC=/usr/bin/perl SCRIPT_OPS=/home/GAASP/OPS/scripts H5DUMP_LOC=/usr/local/bin/h5dump WGRIB2_LOC=/usr/local/bin/wgrib2 OPS_BIN=/home/GAASP/OPS/Common_Bin SEAICE_FILE=/home/GAASP/DATA/seaice/seaice.t00z.5min.grb.grib2.20151001.nc RUN_L1R_CORRECTION_FLAG=YES

» An example for each unit can be found in the System Maintenance Manual



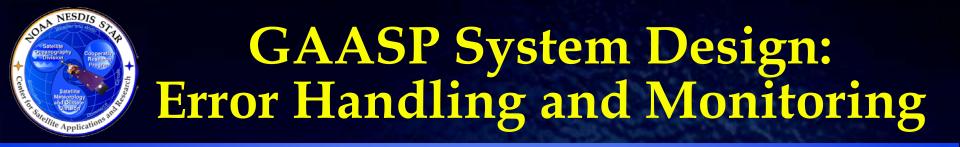


GAASP System Design: NDE Interfaces

• And here is an example of the PSF file from the Soil Moisture Unit:

/home/GAASP/SATELLITE_DATA/GCOM-W1/day2/2015/10/02/201510020858_036B/Soil/AMSR2-SOIL_v2r0_GW1_s201510020858520_e201510021037500_c201510021131150.bin /home/GAASP/SATELLITE_DATA/GCOM-W1/day2/2015/10/02/201510020858_036B/Soil/GAASP-SOIL_v2r0_GW1_s201510020858520_e201510021037500_c201510021131150.h5

- » All files that will be distributed via DDS have a AMSR2 prefix.
- » All files that are output from one GAASP unit to be used by another GAASP unit will have a GAASP prefix.



- All system calls within scripts and all functions and statements in the compiled code will have their return values and/or returned content checked where applicable to allow for graceful exits in the event of an error.
- All standard output and standard error from scripts and programs is logged so it can be made available to the NDE and OSPO monitoring efforts.
- Contents of logs were shown in the Code Test Review held on 8/1/2013 and the code was checked for security and coding standards in the Software Code Review held on 9/18/2013.
- The GAASP driver script produces a single high-level log file that the NDE can parse in the event of an error. If there is an error:
 - » Perl driver returns to the NDE a non-zero value
 - » There may be no output file(s) written in the PSF depending upon at what stage the error occurred



- All error conditions and messages written into the log files are identified and described in the System Maintenance Manual.
- The NDE system can obtain these error codes and messages and use them for its system production monitoring.
- GAASP science quality monitoring is a separate effort handled by the OSPO Product Monitoring System. This latest GAASP delivery includes the metadata required to support this monitoring effort downstream outside of NDE.
- Additional OSPO GCOM monitoring is handled by the PAL (Limin Zhao) and is accessible via the following website: http://www.ospo.noaa.gov/Products/atmosphere/gpds/maps.html?GPTPW#gpdsMaps



Unit Level Input/Output

- The following slides contain tables showing all the GAASP Day 2 unit level input and output.
- Required input data fields are identified for each unit.
- Output data fields are identified for the products coming out of each unit. These also show:
 - » Variable names
 - » Variable size (bytes)
 - » Resolution
 - » Dimensionality
 - » Total file size



Microwave Brightness Temperature SDR

Microwave Brightness Temperature					
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total
Across_Scan_High_Resolution	2		486		972
Across_Scan_Low_Resolution	2		243		486
Along_Scan	2	3960			7,920
Brightness_Temperature_10_GHzV	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_10_GHzH	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_18_GHzV	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_18_GHzH	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_23_GHzV	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_23_GHzH	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_36_GHzV	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_36_GHzH	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_6_GHzV	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_6_GHzH	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_7_GHzV	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_7_GHzH	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Brightness_Temperature_89_GHz-AV	4	3960	486		7,698,240
Brightness_Temperature_89_GHz-AH	4	3960	486		7,698,240
Brightness_Temperature_89_GHz-BV	4	3960	486		7,698,240
Brightness_Temperature_89_GHz-BH	4	3960	486		7,698,240
C_Band_Ocean_RFI_Flag	2	3960	243		1,924,560
Earth_Azimuth_Angle	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Earth_Incidence_Angle	4	3960	243		3,849,120
Land_Ocean_Flag_6_to_36	2	3960	243	6	11,547,360
Land_Ocean_Flag_89	2	3960	486	2	7,698,240

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Microwave Brightness Temperature SDR

Microwave Brightness Temperature						
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total	
Latitude_for_10	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Latitude_for_18	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Latitude_for_23	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Latitude_for_36	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Latitude_for_6	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Latitude_for_7	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Latitude_for_89A	4	3960	486		7,698,240	
Latitude_for_89B	4	3960	486		7,698,240	
Latitude_for_High_Resolution	4	3960	486		7,698,240	
Latitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Longitude_for_10	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Longitude_ for_18	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Longitude_for_23	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Longitude_for_36	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Longitude_for_6	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Longitude_for_7	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Longitude_ for_89A	4	3960	486		7,698,240	
Longitude_ for_89B	4	3960	486		7,698,240	
Longitude_for_High_Resolution	4	3960	486		7,698,240	
Longitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Pixel_Data_Quality_6_to_36	2	3960	486		3,849,120	
Pixel_Data_Quality_89	2	3960	486		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_LAND_06v	4	3960	243		3,849,120	



Microwave Brightness Temperature SDR

Microwave Brightness Temperature						
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total	
RFI_NOAA_LAND_06h	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_LAND_07v	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_LAND_07h	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_LAND_10v	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_LAND_10h	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_OCEAN_10v	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_OCEAN_10h	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_OCEAN_18v	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
RFI_NOAA_OCEAN_18h	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Scan_Angle	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Scan_Time	4	3960		6	95,040	
Sun_Azimuth_Angle	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Sun_Elevation	4	3960	243		3,849,120	
Sun_Glint_Flag	2	3960	243		1,924,560	
					265,693,698	



Ocean EDR Inputs

Table 15.0 GCOM Ocean Unit Inputs

Parameter	Source	Status
Brightness Temperatures	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B) and From AMSR2 SDR (L1R)	Dynamic
Geo location information	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B) and From AMSR2 SDR (L1R)	Dynamic
Land/Coastal mask	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B) and From AMSR2 SDR (L1R)	Dynamic
Model Wind Direction	From GFS Forecast Model	Dynamic
Model Sea Surface Temp	From GFS Forecast Model	Dynamic
Model Sea/Land Flag	From GFS Forecast Model	Dynamic
Seaice Filter File	From DDS	Dynamic
SST (Sea Ice data)	From daily IEEE OI-SST from AVHRR	Dynamic
CLW Coefficient files	From STAR algorithm development	Static
TPW Coefficient files	From STAR algorithm development	Static
WS and SST Coefficient files	From STAR algorithm development	Static



Ocean EDR Output

Ocean/Precip Products						
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total	
Across_Scan_High_Resolution	2		486		972	
Across_Scan_Low_Resolution	2		243		486	
Aggressive_Land_mask	4	3960	243		3849120	
Along_Scan	2	3960			7920	
CLW	8	3960	243		7698240	
Descending_Flag	2	3960			7920	
EDR_QC_Flag	4	3960	243		3849120	
Earth_Azimuth_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120	
Earth_Incidence_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120	
GFS_Model_SST	4	3960	243		3849120	
GFS_Model_WDIR	4	3960	243		3849120	
GFS_Model_WSPD	4	3960	243		3849120	
Land_mask	4	3960	243		3849120	
Latitude_for_High_Resolution	4	3960	486		7698240	
Latitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3849120	
Longitude_for_High_Resolution	4	3960	486		7698240	
Longitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3849120	
Pixel_Data_Quality_6_to_36	4	3960	486		7698240	
Prelim_Reynolds_SST	4	3960	243		3849120	
QM_max_EIA	4			1	4	
QM_max_SST_diff	4			1	4	
QM_max_WSPD_diff	4			1	4	

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Ocean EDR Output

Ocean/Precip Products							
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total		
QM_mean_EIA	4			1	4		
QM_mean_SST_diff	4			1	4		
QM_mean_WSPD_diff	4			1	4		
QM_min_EIA	4			1	4		
QM_min_SST_diff	4			1	4		
QM_min_WSPD_diff	4			1	4		
Rain_Rate	4	3960	486		7698240		
Rain_Rate_QC_Flag	1	3960	486		1924560		
SST	8	3960	243		7698240		
SST_QC	4	3960	243		3849120		
Scan_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120		
Scan_Time	4	3960		6	95040		
Sun_Azimuth_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120		
Sun_Elevation	4	3960	243		3849120		
Sun_Glint_Flag	2	3960	243		1924560		
TPW	8	3960	243		7698240		
WSPD	8	3960	243		7698240		
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Precipitation Unit Inputs

Parameter	Source	Status
Brightness Temperatures	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B)	Dynamic
Geo location information	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B)	Dynamic
SST	From daily IEEE OI-SST from AVHRR	Dynamic
Profile database	Compiled TRMM's Precipitation Radar by Dave Randel at Colorado State University	Static
Caspian Sea Ice Climo	Developed from RSS Weekly AMSRE	Static
Desert/Ice Climo	IGBP (Desert) IMS & AMSRE (Snow)	Static
Elevation		Static
Land Mask		Static
Forward Model coefficient file	From STAR algorithm development	Static
TMI Correction files	From STAR algorithm development	Static



Precipitation EDR Output

Precip Products						
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total	
Across_Scan_High_Resolution	2	1	486	1	972	
Across_Scan_Low_Resolution	2	1	243	1	486	
Along_Scan	2	3960	1	1	7920	
Earth_Azimuth_Angle	4	3960	243	1	3849120	
Earth_Incidence_Angle	4	3960	243	1	3849120	
Latitude_for_High_Resolution	4	3960	486	1	7698240	
Latitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243	1	3849120	
Longitude_for_High_Resolution	4	3960	486	1	7698240	
Longitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243	1	3849120	
Probability_of_Precip	4	3960	486	1	7698240	
QM_Avg_Rain_Land_Amt	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Avg_Rain_Ocean_Amt	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Cond_Rain_Land_Amt	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Cond_Rain_Ocean_Amt	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Ambig_Land	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Ambig_Ocean	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Flagged_Land	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Flagged_Ocean	4	1	1	1	4	



Precipitation EDR Output

Precip Products						
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total	
QM_Num_Good_Land	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Good_Ocean	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Land_Pixels	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Missing	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Ocean_Pixels	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Rain_Land_Pixels	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Num_Rain_Ocean_Pixels	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Sum_Rain_Land_Pixels	4	1	1	1	4	
QM_Sum_Rain_Ocean_Pixels	4	1	1	1	4	
Rain_Rate	4	3960	486	1	7698240	
Rain_Rate_QC_Flag	1	3960	486	1	1924560	
Scan_Angle	4	3960	243	1	3849120	
Scan_Time	4	3960	1	6	95040	
convectPrecipitation	4	3960	486	1	7698240	
surfaceType	1	3960	486	1	1924560	
					61690406	



Snow Unit Inputs

Table 17.0 GCOM Snow Unit Inputs

Parameter	Source	Status
Brightness Temperatures	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B)	Dynamic
Geo location information	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B)	Dynamic
new_sclass.txt	From STAR algorithm development	Static
sn_freq_latIon_wk_??.dat	From STAR algorithm development	Static
snow_freq_sh_week-??_24km	From STAR algorithm development	Static
max_min_lat_lon_h??v??_qkm.dat	From STAR algorithm development	Static
max_min_lat_lon_qkm_merge.list	From STAR algorithm development	Static
averaged_7km_vcf_h??v??.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static
averaged_7km_veg_h??v??.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static



Snow EDR Output

Snow Products							
Paramter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total		
Across_Scan_Low_Resolution	2		243		486		
Along_Scan	2	3960			7920		
Earth_Azimuth_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120		
Earth_Incidence_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120		
Latitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3849120		
Longitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3849120		
QM_Total_Pixels	4			1	4		
QM_Total_Pixels_SCI_3	4			1	4		
QM_Total_Pixels_SDI_0	4			1	4		
QM_Total_Pixels_SDI_1	4			1	4		
QM_Total_Pixels_SDI_2	4			1	4		
QM_Total_Pixels_SDI_3	4			1	4		
QM_Total_Pixels_SSI_9	4			1	4		
SWE	4	3960	486		7698240		
Scan_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120		
Scan_Time	4	3960		6	95040		



Snow EDR Output

Snow Products							
Paramter Size Scans FOV Other Dimensions Total							
Scan_Time	4	3960		6	95040		
Scattering_Surface_Index	2	3960	243		1924560		
Snow_Climatology_Index	2	3960	243		1924560		
Snow_Cover	2	3960	243		1924560		
Snow_Depth	4	3960	243		3849120		
Snow_Depth_Index	2	3960	243		1924560		
					38594674		



Soil Moisture Unit Inputs

Table 17.0 GCOM Soil Moisture Unit Inputs

Parameter	Source	Status
Brightness Temperatures	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B)	Dynamic
Geo location information	From AMSR2 SDR (L1B)	Dynamic
LandCover_8km.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static
CLAY_TOP_fp.IMG	From STAR algorithm development	Static
PORO_TOP_fp.IMG	From STAR algorithm development	Static
SAND_TOP_fp.IMG	From STAR algorithm development	Static
TAU_CDF_LPRM.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static
TAU_CDF_Reference.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static



Soil Moisture EDR Output

Soil Moisture Products					
Parameter	Size	Scans	FOV	Other Dimensions	Total
Across_Scan_Low_Resolution	2		243		486
Along_Scan	2	3960			7920
Earth_Azimuth_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120
Earth_Incidence_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120
Land_Cover_Type	2	3960	243		1924560
Latitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3849120
Longitude_for_Low_Resolution	4	3960	243		3849120
QM_Total_BT_Problems	4			1	4
QM_Total_Bad_Retrievals	4			1	4
QM_Total_Cold_Desert	4			1	4
QM_Total_Frozen_Ground	4			1	4
QM_Total_Good_Quality	4			1	4
QM_Total_No_Retrieval	4			1	4
QM_Total_Num_Pixels	4			1	4
QM_Total_SM_GT_Porosity	4			1	4
QM_Total_Snow_Rain	4			1	4



Soil Moisture EDR Output

Soil Moisture Products							
Parameter Size Scans FOV Other Dimensions Total							
Scan_Angle	4	3960	243		3849120		
Scan_Time	4	3960		6	95040		
Soil_Moisture	4	3960	243		3849120		
Soil_Moisture_QA	4	3960	243		3849120		
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Sea Ice Unit Inputs

Table 17.0 GCOM Seaice Unit Inputs

Parameter	Source	Status
Brightness Temperatures	From AMSR2 SDR (L1R)	Dynamic
Geo location information	From AMSR2 SDR (L1R)	Dynamic
e2_mask_north.dat	From STAR algorithm development	Static
e2_mask_south.dat	From STAR algorithm development	Static
e2_sst_n_??.dat	From STAR algorithm development	Static
e2_sst_s_??.dat	From STAR algorithm development	Static
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EASE2_NPolar_lat.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static
EASE2_NPolar_lon.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static
EASE2_SPolar.gpd	From STAR algorithm development	Static
EASE2_SPolar_lat.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static
EASE2_SPolar_lon.bin	From STAR algorithm development	Static



Sea Ice – Northern Hemisphere EDR Output

Seaice – Northern Hemisphere - Products						
Parameter	Size	X-Dimension	Y-Dimension	Other Dimensions	Total	
Across_X_Dimension	2	1050			2100	
Along_Y_Dimension	2		1050		2100	
Bootstrap_Ice_Concentation	4	1050	1050		4410000	
Flags	2	1050	1050		2205000	
Latency	4	1050	1050		4410000	
Latitude	4	1050	1050		4410000	
Longitude	4	1050	1050		4410000	
NASA_Team_2_Ice_Concentration	4	1050	1050		4410000	
NASA_Team_2_Multiyear_Ice	4	1050	1050		4410000	
NT2_minus_Bootstrap	4	1050	1050		4410000	
QM_Num_Grid_Range_25	4			1	4	
QM_Num_Grid_Range_50	4			1	4	
QM_Total_Ice	4			1	4	
QM_Total_Pixels	4			1	4	
Range_of_Ice_Concentation	4	1050	1050		4410000	
Scan_Time	4	1050	1050	6	26460000	
					63949216	



Sea Ice – Southern Hemisphere EDR Output

Seaice – Northern Hemisphere - Products						
Parameter	Size	X-Dimension	Y-Dimension	Other Dimensions	Total	
Across_X_Dimension	2	840			1680	
Along_Y_Dimension	2		840		1680	
Bootstrap_Ice_Concentation	4	840	840		2822400	
Flags	2	840	840		1411200	
Latency	4	840	840		2822400	
Latitude	4	840	840		2822400	
Longitude	4	840	840		2822400	
NASA_Team_2_Ice_Concentration	4	840	840		2822400	
NASA_Team_2_Multiyear_Ice	4	840	840		2822400	
NT2_minus_Bootstrap	4	840	840		2822400	
QM_Num_Grid_Range_25	4			1	4	
QM_Num_Grid_Range_50	4			1	4	
QM_Total_Ice	4			1	4	
QM_Total_Pixels	4			1	4	
Range_of_Ice_Concentation	4	840	840		2822400	
Scan_Time	4	840	840	6	16934400	
					40928176	



GAASP Architecture Summary

• Hardware

» Development, Integration, and Production hardware are defined

Software Architecture

- » A high-level system and unit-level designed are defined.
- » GAASP external interfaces are set up for working with the NDE system.

Data Files (Input/Outputs)

- Input, output, and ancillary data types are defined
- » All dynamic ancillary data types and their sources have been identified



Review Outline

- Introduction
- Day 1 ORR Report
- Requirements
- Software Architecture
- Validation
- Risk Summary
- Summary and Conclusions



Validation: Ocean EDR

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Ocean EDR Validation

2nd Delivery of SST & TPW



NOAA GCOM-W1 Project Goal

- Goal of NOAA GCOM-W1 product processing system is to provide validated operational Level-2 products from AMSR2 measurements
 - » Meets scientific accuracy requirements
 - » Meets GCOM-W1 distribution to operational users requirements
 - » Easily maintainable over the life of the mission
 - » Adaptable to handle any required modifications



NOAA GCOM-W1 Processing System

 SDR Postprocessor » Address any AMSR2 residual calibration issues EDR Preprocessor » Reformatting & flagging » Prepare ancillary data EDR Postprocessor » Three EDR modules - Ocean Scene EDRs (SST, SSW, TPW, CLW) - Global Rain Rate (Ocean, Land and Coastal Region) - Snow and Sea Ice 101



AMSR-2 In-orbit Calibration





AMSR2 In-Orbit Calibration

- AMSR2 observed brightness temperatures (Tbs) will be used to infer several geophysical parameters over land and ocean
- Calibrated AMSR2 Tbs significantly improve performance and accuracy of geophysical retrieval algorithms
 - » Identifying and correcting residual calibration biases in AMSR2 Tbs reduce retrievals errors



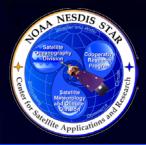
Calibration Methodology

 The double difference (DD) approach was used to inter-calibrate AMSR2 Tbs

» Two instruments are needed (A & B) with one being the reference sensor

> $DD_{AB} = SD_A - SD_B$ SD= Tb_obs. - Tb_sim.

 TRMM microwave imager (TMI) chosen as reference radiometer



Calibration Methodology – cont.

• Data

- » AMSR2: L1B 2015 release (V2.1)
- » TMI: 1B11 V7 calibrated Tbs

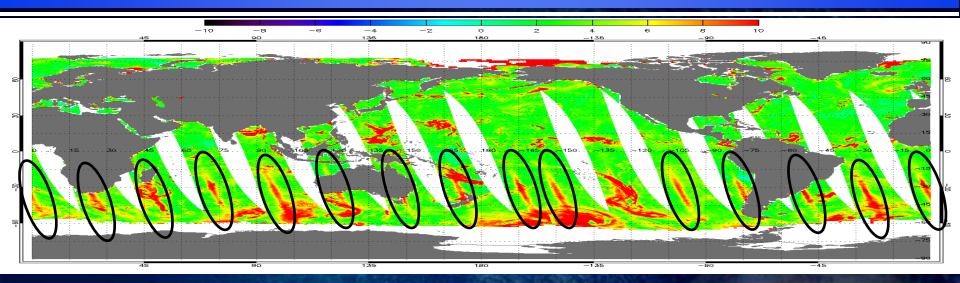
AMSR2/TMI collocations

- » 30 minutes time difference & 10 km spatial difference
- » Separated by channel & ascending/descending
- Bad pixels excluded
 - » Rain & clouds using TMI EDR maps (Remote Sensing Sys.)
 - » Sun glint & RFI

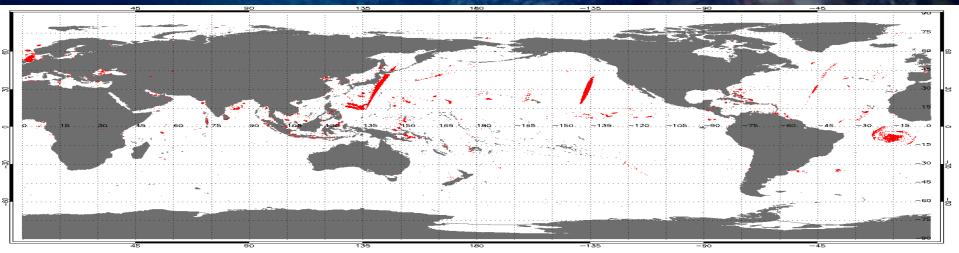


Sun Glint & RFI

Sun Glint: [Tbh6_L1B – Tbh6_sim.], 08/02/2012



C-band RFI: Abs(Tbv6_L1B – Tbv7_L1B.) > 3, 08/02/2012





AMSR2 Tb Bias Corrections

- Corrections developed based on double difference relation with AMSR2 Tbs
 - Correction = f(AMSR2_L1B Tbs)
 - Different correction applied for each channel

Input Data • Brightness temperatures

(TB) for 6.9 V/H, 7.3 V/H, 10.7 V/H,18.7 V/H 23.8 V, 36.5 H/V,89 H/V 6.925h/V Ghz channel correction

7.3H/V Ghz channel correction

10.7H/V Ghz channel correction

18.7H/V Ghz channel correction

23.8 H/V Ghz channel correction

36.5 H/V Ghz channel correction

89a H/V Ghz channel correction

89b H/V Ghz channel correction

Correction Function

$$\Delta T_{Bi} = \frac{\sum_{n} a_{in} T_{Bi}^{n}}{\sum_{m} b_{i} T_{Bi}^{m}}$$

 $T_{Bi} = T_{Bi} - \Delta T_{Bi}$ i = AMSR2channel

> Output Data • Corrected ocean brightness temperatures

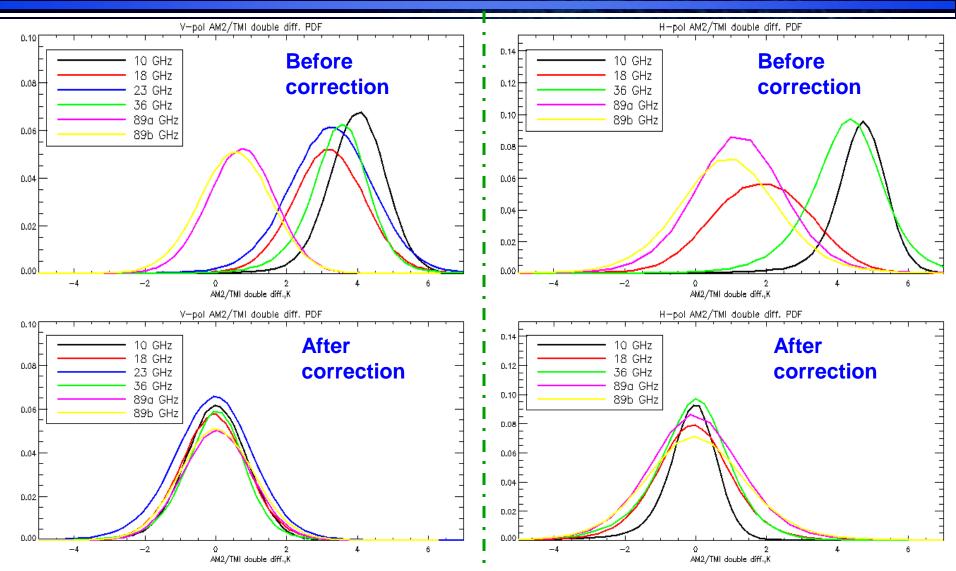
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Double Difference PDFs

V-Pol

H-Pol





AMSR2 Oceanic EDR Validation

2nd Delivery





NOAA AMSR2 Ocean EDR Products

AMSR2 Ocean EDRs include

- » Total Precipitable Water (TPW)
- » Cloud Liquid Water (CLW)
- » Sea Surface Wind Speed (SSW)
- » Sea Surface Temperature (SST)
- 1st Delivery
 - » Multi stage regression ocean EDR algorithms
- 2nd Delivery
 - » Improved SST & TPW from previous delivery based on users feedback



Validation Data Set

Six months worth of data used in validation

- » Year 2014
- » Several Data Sources
 - Models: Reynolds
 - Data were spatially & temporally interpolated to AMSR2 observation time & location
 - Satellite measurements: TMI EDRs from RSS
 - Collocation criteria: 10 km maximum distance & 30 minutes maximum time difference
 - Buoys: NCDC
 - Collocation criteria: 10 km maximum distance & 30 minutes maximum time difference

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SST V2.0 Ret. Algorithm

12 AMSR2 channels: 6-36 GHz, H/V pol 3 deg. latitude bins with 2.75 deg. overlap between 65N and 65S

Wind speed & direction signal correction Iterative spatial CDF matching & median filter

QC

 SST V2.0 retrieval algorithm utilizes corrected AMSR2 brightness temperatures (Tbs)
 » 6, 7, 10, 18, 23 & 36 GHz V- & H-pol



SST V2.0 Ret. Algorithm Description – Cont.

• Stage 1:

- » Utilizes stepwise latitude-based localized regressions
 - Coefficients were interpolated between latitude bins to avoid discontinuity
 - Separate asc/des coefficients

• Stage 2:

» Accounts for SST dependence on wind speed, wind direction, total precipitable water and cross track index

• Stage 3:

» Sliding window for CDF matching & median filtering
 – Pre-op Reynolds SST used for initialization



SST V2.0 Ret. Algorithm Description – Cont.

SST=Σ(ai*Tbi)+f(ws,φ,tpw,xid)

• $f(ws, \varphi, tpw, xid) = b0(ws, tpw, xid) + b1(ws)^* cos(\varphi) + b1(ws)^* cos(\varphi) + b2(ws)^* cos(2\varphi) + b3(ws)^* sin(\varphi) + b4^* sin(2\varphi)$

- » Xid: Cross track location
- » Ws: GFS wind Speed
- » *Φ*: Relative azimuth direction
- » TPW: Total precipitable water



SST V2.0 Ret. Algorithm Description – Cont.

- Some issues found in 1st delivery products were addressed in 2nd delivery
 - » Retrieved SST values match models in daytime (ascending AMSR2 passes)
 - Models tend to underestimate SST by ~ 2-3 K at low winds
 - » Occasionally horizontal lines (artifacts) appear in some 1st delivery of SST
 - Latitude stepwise regressions coefficients were interpolated between bins



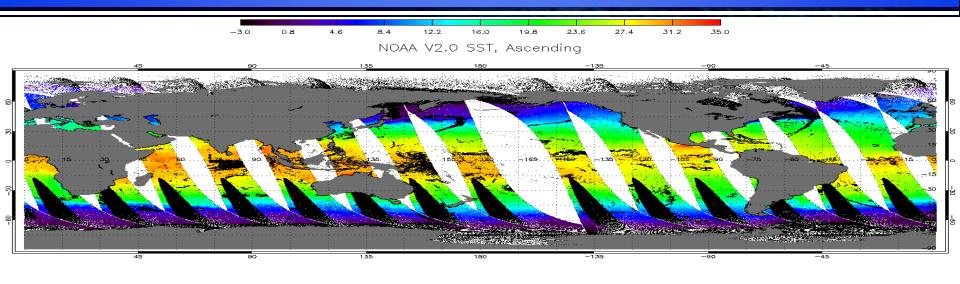
SST V2.0 Quality Control

Retrieved SST V2.0 products are QC'd using several parameters » Sun glint Ascending revs only » C-band RFI over ocean Difference between 6 & 7 GHz channels » 36 GHz polarization ratio » 6/36 GHz gradient » Out of range retrieved values » Edges of the swath 116

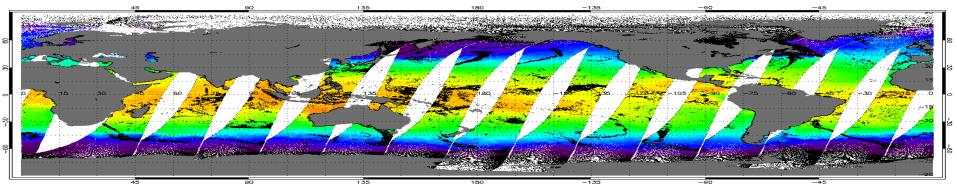
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NOAA SST Example (04/01/2014)

% of flagged points (NOAA): ~ 27%



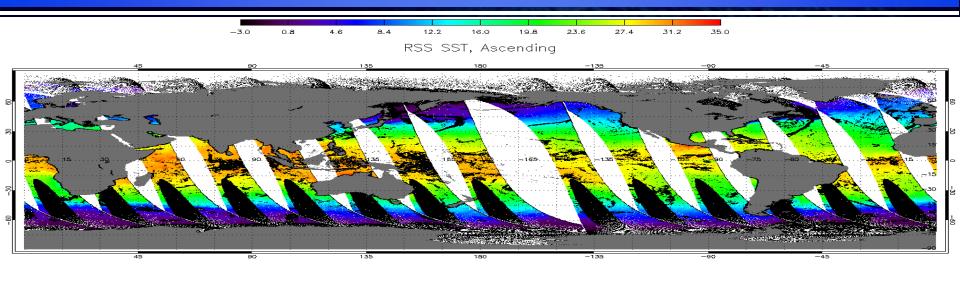




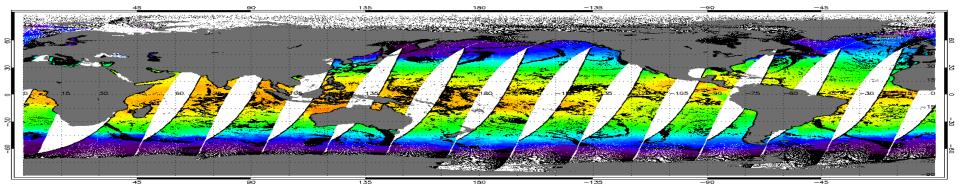


RSS SST Example (04/01/2014)

% of flagged points (RSS): ~ 33%



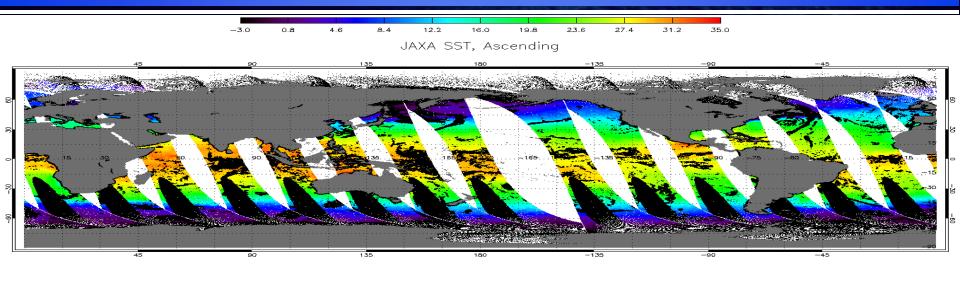




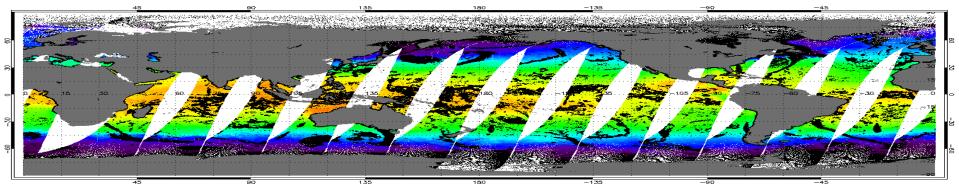


JAXA SST Example (04/01/2014)

% of flagged points (JAXA): ~ 38%









SST Validation

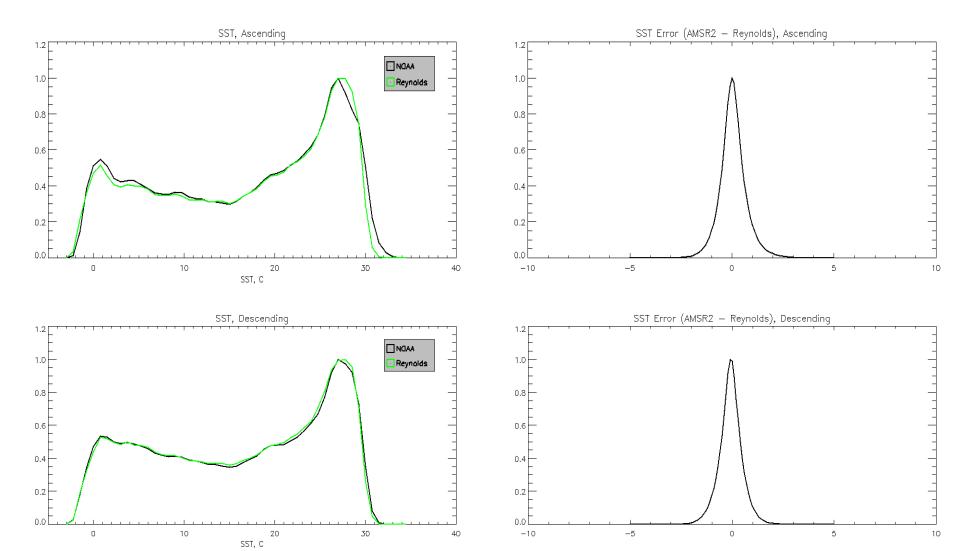
- Ancillary data for AMSR2 SST validation
 - » Models : Reynolds
 - » Measurements : Buoys, TMI

GCOM Sea Surface Temperature Requirements

EDR Attribute	Requirement	Status		
		Reynolds	ТМІ	Buoys
Measurement range	271 – 313 k			
Measurement uncertainty	1.0 k	0.6	0.5	0.7
Measurement accuracy	0.5 k	0.0	-0.2	0.2

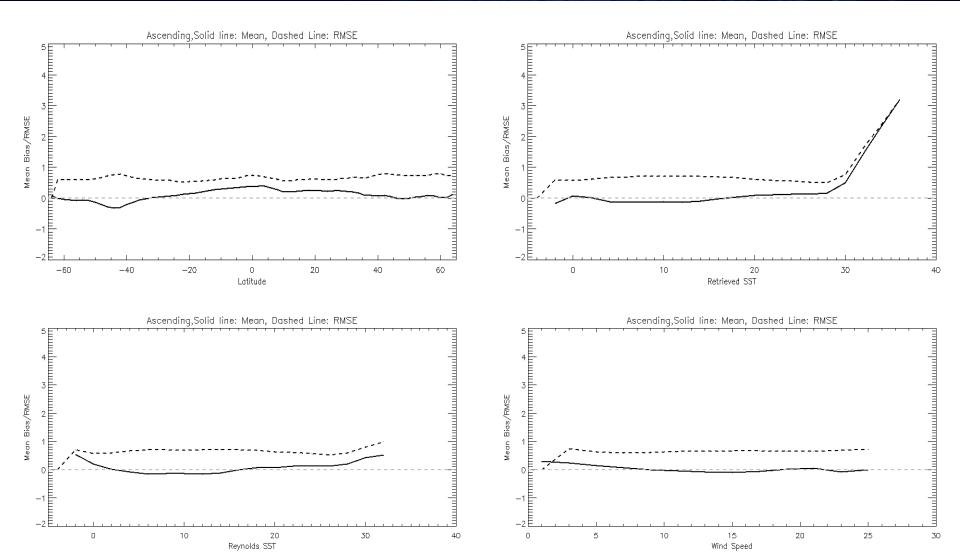


SST Validation / Reynolds



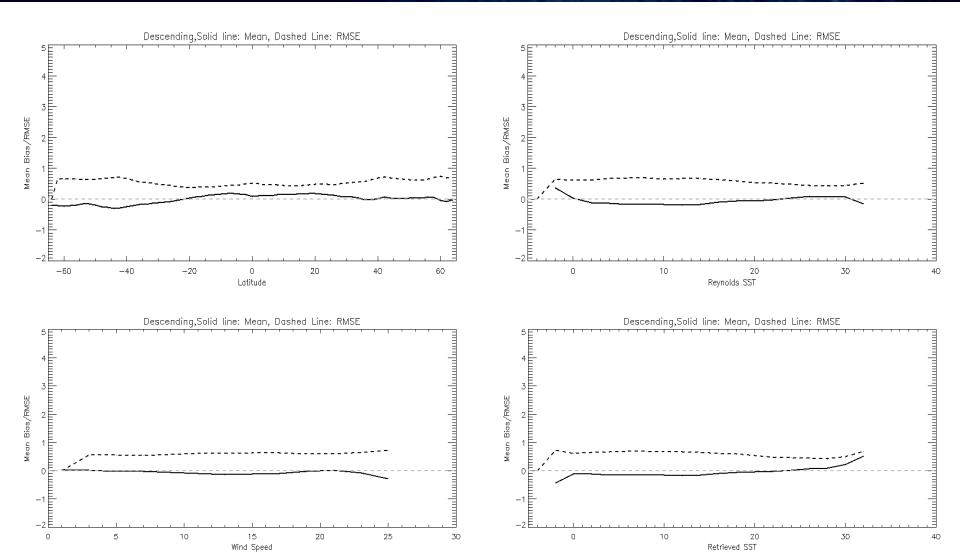


SST Validation / Reynolds - cont.



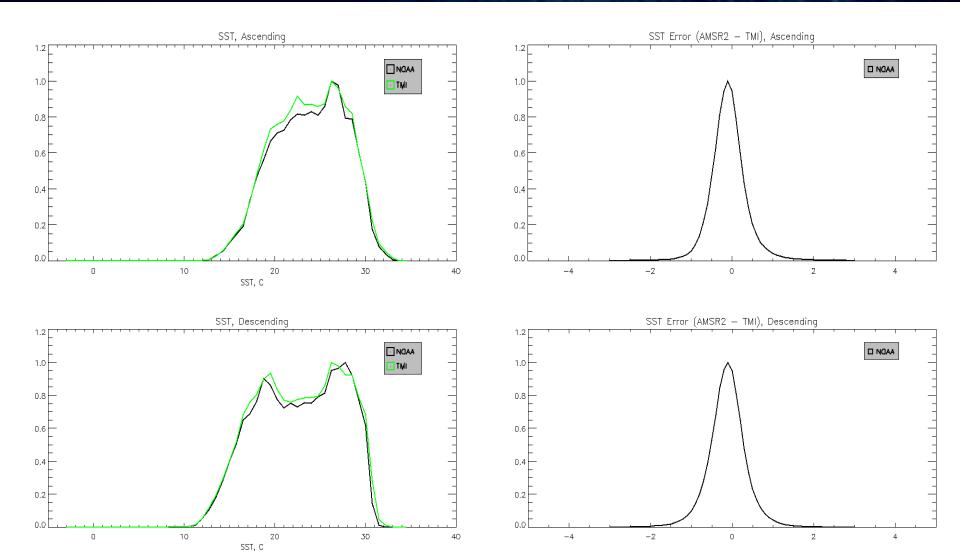


SST Validation / Reynolds - cont.



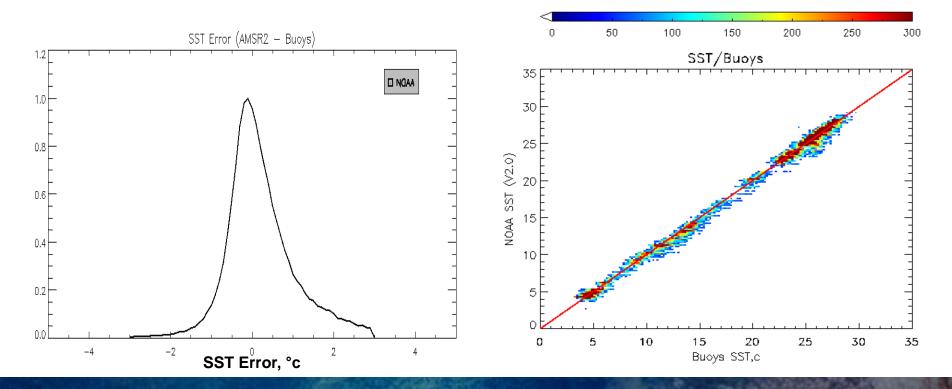


SST Validation / TMI





SST Validation / Buoys

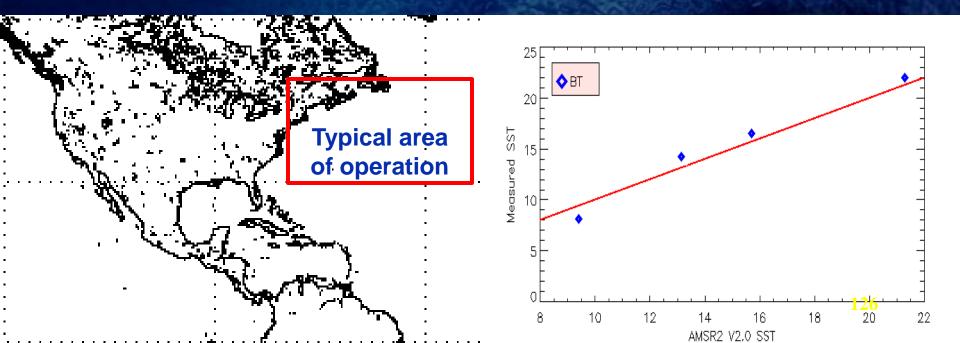


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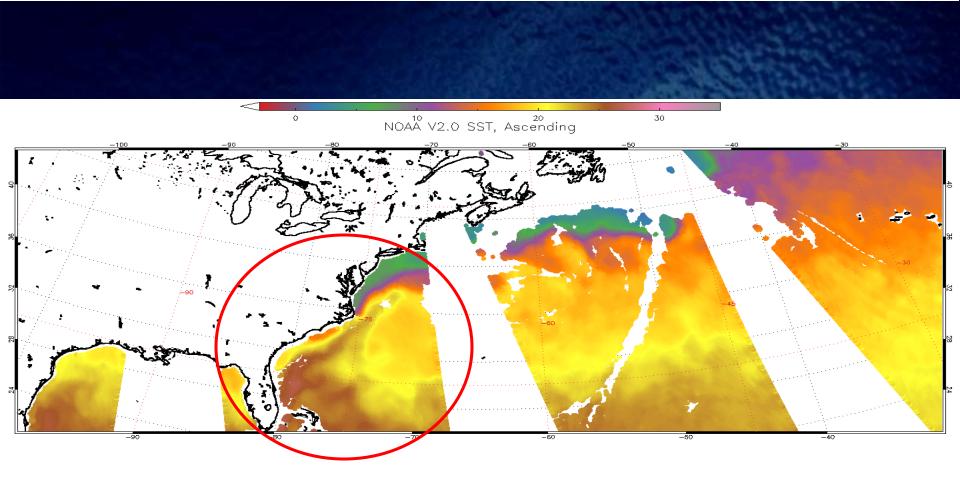
SST Validation / Field Experiments

 During 2016 winter season field experiments we dropped several Airborne eXpendable Bathy Thermograph (AXBT) to measure SST
 » Collocated with AMSR2 overpass





Gulf Stream Example (04/01/2014)





TPW V2.0 Ret. Algorithm

4 AMSR2 channels: 23-36 GHz, H/V pol

3 deg. latitude bins with 2.75 deg. overlap between 65N and 65S

Wind speed & direction signal correction Iterative spatial CDF matching & median filter

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 SST V2.0 retrieval algorithm utilizes corrected AMSR2 brightness temperatures (Tbs)
 » 23 & 36 GHz V- & H-pol



TPW V2.0 Ret. Algorithm Description – Cont.

• Stage 1:

- » TPW retrieval algorithm utilizes stepwise latitudebased localized regressions
 - Coefficients were interpolated between latitude bins to avoid discontinuity

• Stage 2:

» Accounts for TPW dependence on wind speed and direction

• Stage 3:

» Spatial sliding median filtering

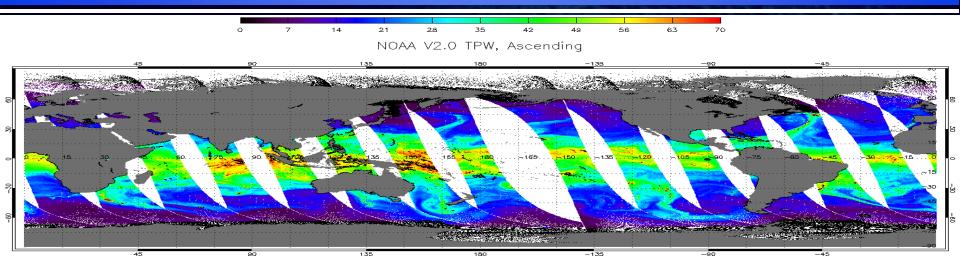


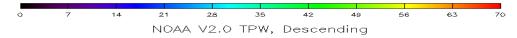
TPW V2.0 Ret. Algorithm Description – Cont.

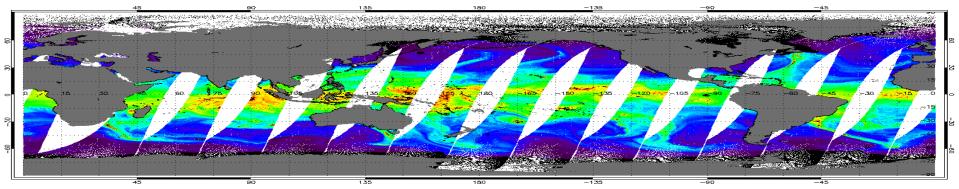
- Some issues found in 1st delivery products were addressed in 2nd delivery
 - » TPW retrievals uses all AMSR-2 channels including 6 & 7 GHz
 - Affected by sun glint
 - Not able to get close to coast line due to bigger IFOV of low frequency channels
 - » 2nd delivery of TPW utilizes 23 & 36 GHz channels only
 - No sun glint contamination
 - Can get close to coast line



NOAA TPW Example (04/01/2014)

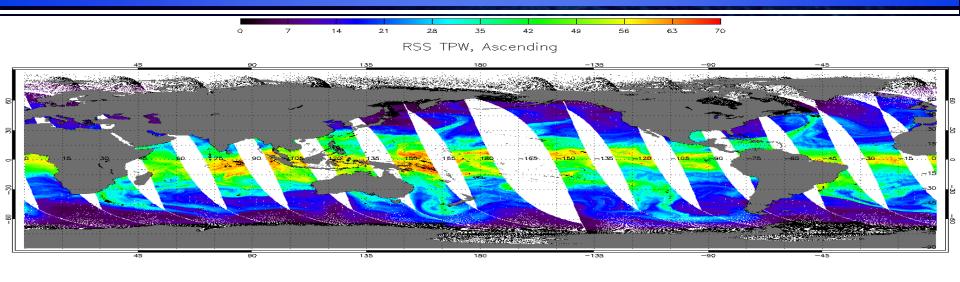




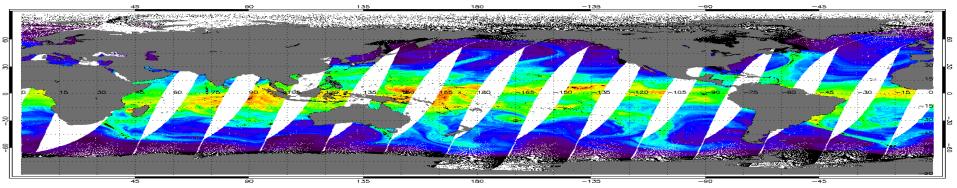




RSS TPW Example (04/01/2014)

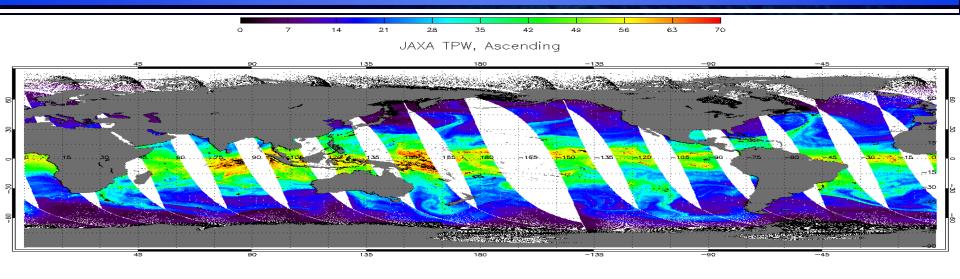




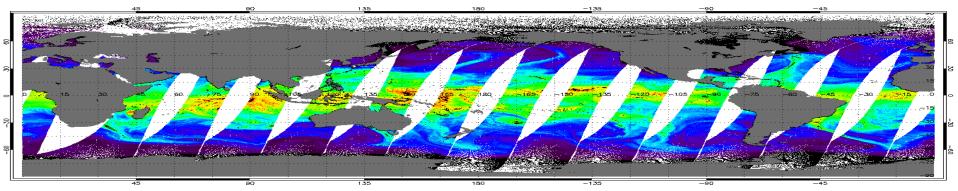




JAXA TPW Example (04/01/2014)









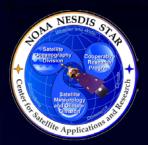
TPW Validation

- Ancillary data for AMSR2 TPW validation
 - » TMI & AMSR2 EDRs from RSS
 - » NOAA-19 EDRs from NOAA's Microwave Integrated Retrieval System (MIRS)

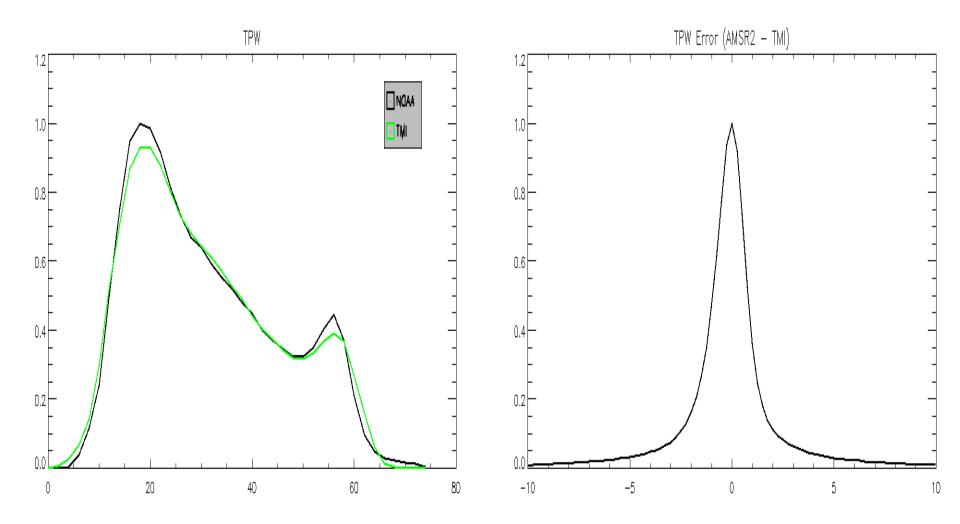
GCOM Total Precipitable Water Requirements

EDR Attribute	Requirement	Status
		-
Measurement range	1 – 75 mm	ТМІ
Measurement uncertainty	2mm or 10% whichever is greater	1.2
Measurement accuracy	1 mm	0.0

* TPW & CLW changes are fastest of all other parameters. Interpolated 6H models are not expected to agree well with instantaneous measurements from AMSR2 ¹³⁴

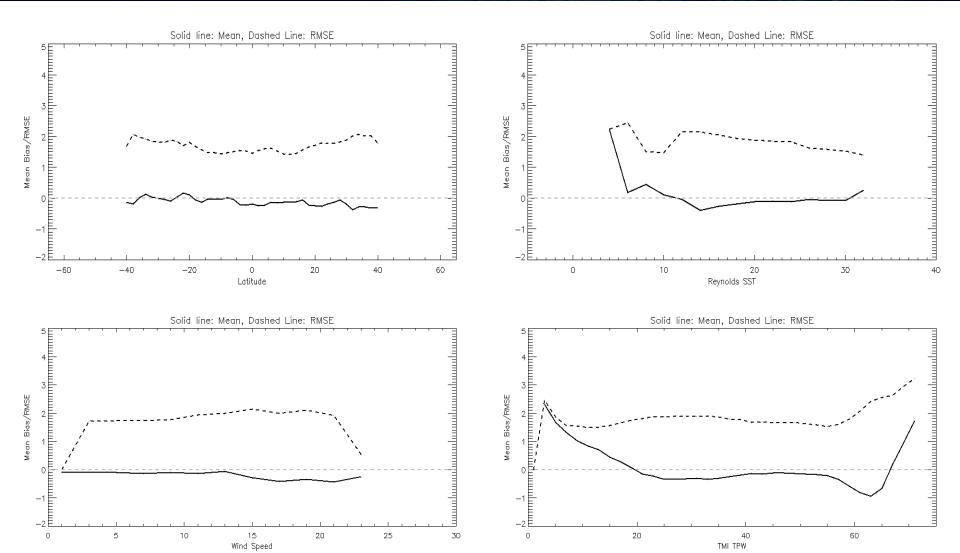


TPW Validation / TMI



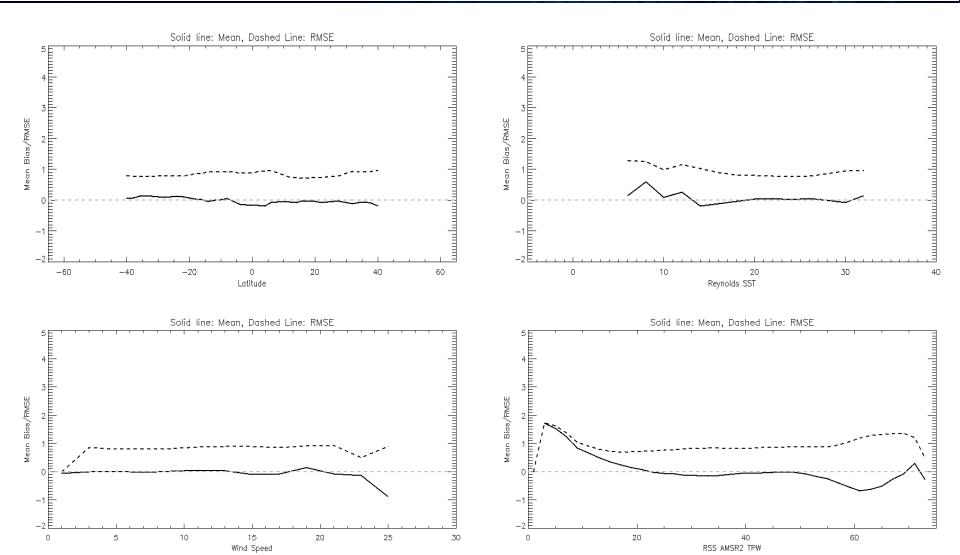


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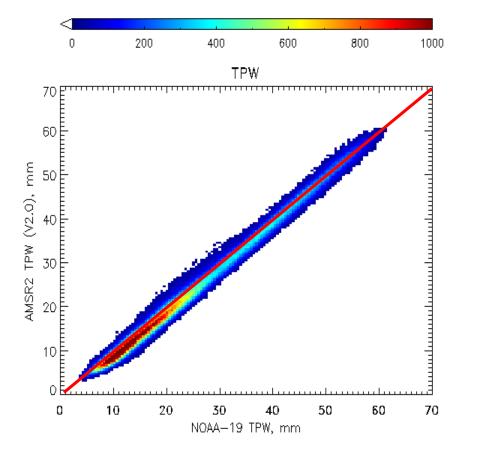


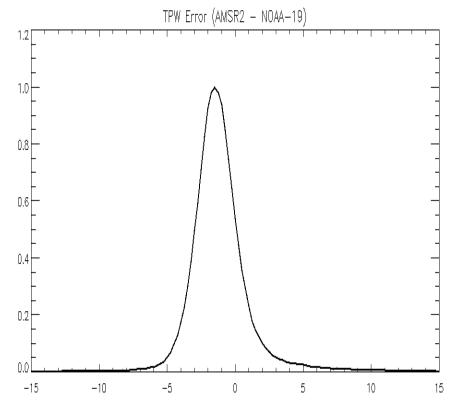
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TPW Validation / MIRS

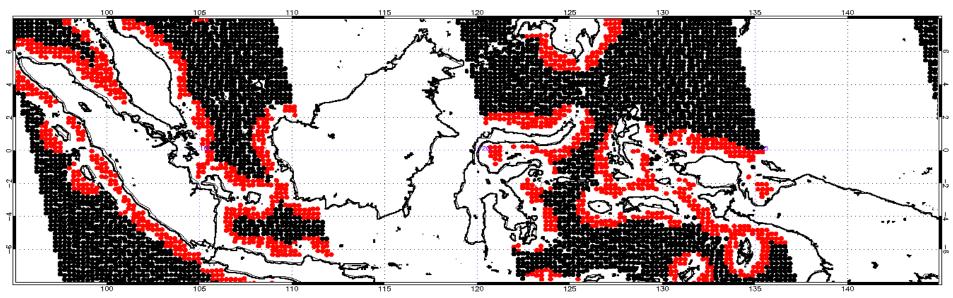






TPW Closer to Coast Line

Red: V2.0 TPW, Black: D1 TPW



Red areas show additional retrievals using our V2.0 TPW that were not available in Day1

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- Double difference approach used to intercalibrate AMSR2 residual biases in observed Tbs
- AMSR2 measures warmer Tbs when compared to TMI
 - » TMI 1B11 V7
- Corrected AMSR2 Tbs were used in ocean EDR products
 <u>» TPW, CLW, SST, and SSW</u>



Summary – cont.

- 2nd delivery ocean EDR SST and TPW products were validated against several other products
 - » Models
 - Reynolds
 - » Measurements
 - TMI EDRs, Buoys

 Validation results show that AMSR2 2nd delivery ocean EDRs meet accuracy requirements





Validation: Snow EDR

Presented by

Jeff Key



AMSR2 Snow Ice Product Algorithm Readiness:

 Snow Cover, Snow Depth, and Snow Water Equivalent (SWE)
 Ice Characterization (concentration and type)





- Product Overview and Requirements
- Product Examples
- Validation Strategy
- Validation Results

Goal: Demonstrate science quality of the AMSR2 snow and ice products.



AMSR2 Snow Cover Algorithm Readiness

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AMSR2 Snow Cover Overview

- The AMRS2 snow cover product provides the presence/absence of snow cover for every pixel.
- The algorithm is a brightness temperature (TB)-based decision-tree approach
 - Most operational algorithms have applied this methodology: Identify snow from non-snow surfaces by its brightness temperature scattering signal and filter out known confounding factors such as cold deserts, frozen soil and precipitation



AMSR2 Snow Depth Overview

 The AMRS2 snow depth product provides the depth of the snow cover (cm). The snow water equivalent (SWE) product provides the water equivalent (mm) of the snow cover.

Most recent NASA AMSR-E SWE approach

- Dynamic algorithm for regional to global applications
- Has evolved over the course of 40-some years
- This is a NASA signature product regarded as an international industry standard
- Utilizes lower frequency channels (10 GHz) not available in SSMI
- Explicit sub-pixel forest cover and forest-free SWE estimates, potentially beneficial for downscaling applications



AMSR2 Snow Cover and Depth Requirements

Table 5.0 GCOM Snow Cover/Depth			
EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective	
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions	
Sensing depth	0 – 60 cm	1 m	
Horizontal cell size	10 km	5 km	
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km	
Snow depth ranges	5 – 60 cm	> 8 cm; > 15 cm; > 30 cm; > 51 cm; > 76 cm	
Measurement uncertainty			
Clear	80% probability of correct snow/no snow classification; Snow Depth: 20 cm (30 cm if forest cover exceeds 30%)	10% for snow depth	
Cloudy	80% probability of correct snow/no snow classification; Snow Depth: 20 cm	Not Specified	
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified	



AMSR2 Snow Water Equivalent Requirements

Table 11.0 GCOM Snow Water Equivalent			
EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective	
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions	
Horizontal cell size	10 km	5 km	
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km	
Measurement range	10 – 200 mm	Not Specified	
Measurement uncertainty		Not Specified	
Shallow to moderate snow packs (10 – 100 mm)	20 mm or 50%	Not Specified	
High snow accumulation (above 100 mm)	70%	Not Specified	
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified	



Algorithm Output: Snow Cover

• Output Data:

• Snow cover detected by this algorithm

Name	Туре	Description	Dimension
Snow cover	output	Output contains snow cover information (4: snow, 2: no snow, 1:water, 0:missing) for each pixel	Scan grid (xsize, ysize)



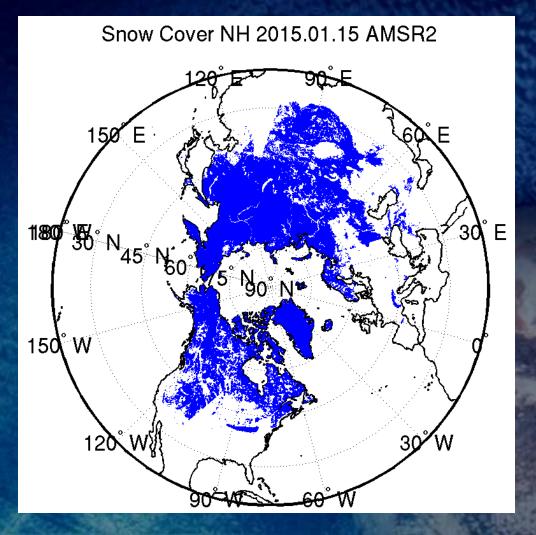
Algorithm Output: Snow Depth and SWE

- Output Data:
 - Snow depth
 - Snow water equivalent (SWE)

Name	Туре	Description	Dimension
Snow depth	Output	Output contains snow depth for each pixel where the snow cover is detected	Scan grid (xsize, ysize)
SWE	Output	Output contains SWE for each pixel where snow depth and snow density are available	Scan grid (xsize, ysize)



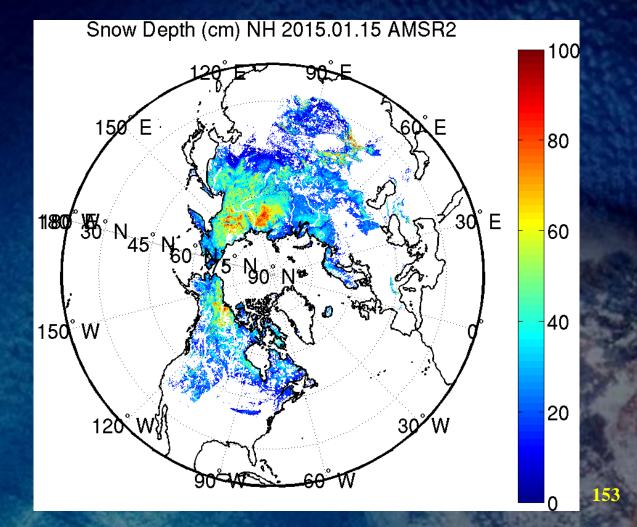
Example of AMSR2 snow cover over the Northern Hemisphere on January 15, 2015



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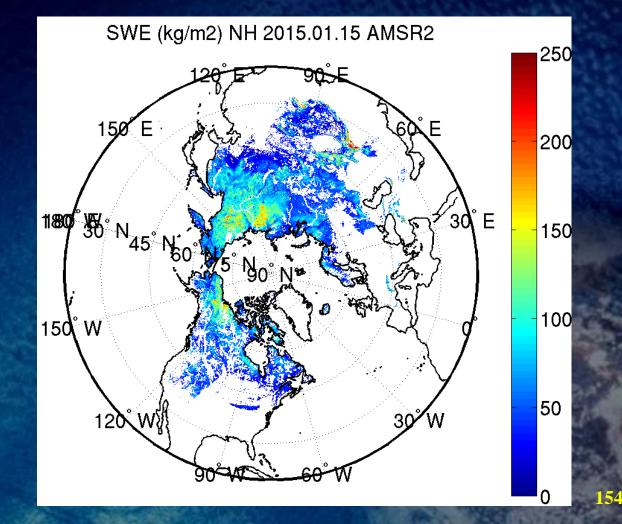


Example of AMSR2 snow depth over the Northern Hemisphere on January 15, 2015





Example of AMSR2 snow water equivalent over the Northern Hemisphere on January 15, 2015



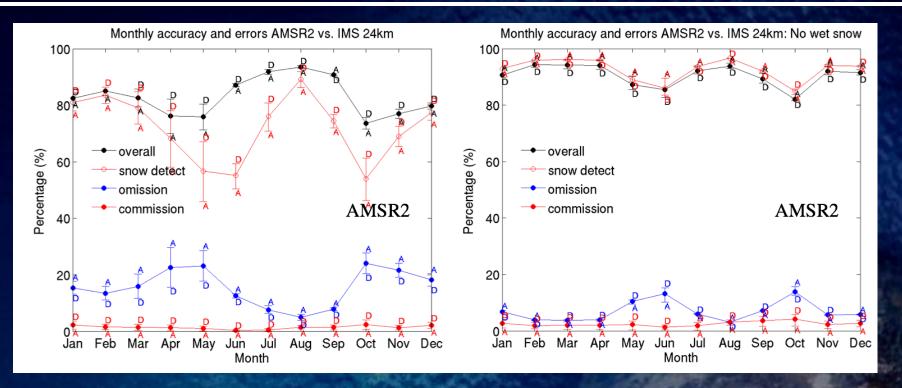


Validation Strategy

- Snow cover: daily comparison with the Interactive Multisensor Snow and Ice Mapping System (IMS) 24 km.
- Snow depth: daily comparison with ground station measurements including the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the US National Weather Service (NWS) Cooperative Observer Program (COOP) Network.
- Snow Water Equivalent (SWE): comparison with the National Operational Hydrologic Remote Sensing Center (NOHRSC) Snow Data Assimilation System (SNODAS).



Validation Results – Snow Cover



Monthly comparison between AMSR2 and IMS snow cover area (SCA) and corresponding number of AMSR2 pixels: the bars above and below each point indicate descending ("D") and ascending ("A") orbits. Left panels are with wet snow and right panels are after wet snow exclusion.

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Validation Results – Snow Cover

	Overall
	accuracy
Tundra	94.6%
Taiga	97.4%
Maritime	80.9%
Ephemeral	71.7%
Prairie	74.0%
Alpine	86.9%

Overall accuracy of global, multi-year snow cover detection (AMSR-E) for different snow cover classes.



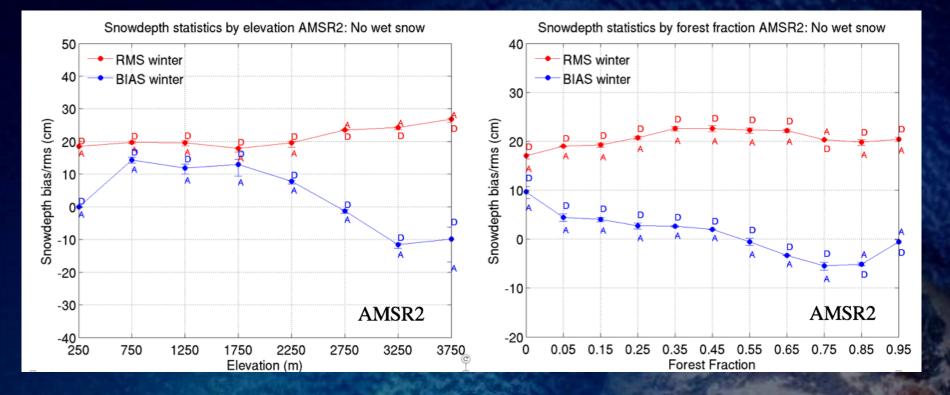
Validation Results – STAR vs CIMSS Snow Cover

Snow cover	GAASP : corrected BT	GAASP : uncorrected BT	CIMSS : uncorrected BT
Overall accuracy	81.17 %	79.84 %	79.75 %
Snow detection rate	78.34 %	76.40 %	76.35 %
Commission	1.78 %	1.59 %	1.57 %
Omission	17.05 %	18.57 %	18.68 %
Number of pixels	1504245	1504245	1524368

Valid for the January 15, 2015



Validation Results – Snow Depth



Statistics AMSR2 snow depth compared to ground site snow depth as a function of elevation (left) and forest fraction (right). The bars above and below each point indicate descending ("D") and ascending ("A") orbits. Winter months (January, February, and December) are included.



Validation Results – Snow Depth

	RMSE (cm)	Bias (cm)	mean (cm) of in-situ obs.
Tundra	18.77	4.51	25.10
Taiga	20.96	3.77	29.18
Maritime	19.37	-5.34	20.20
Ephemeral	14.95	6.05	8.40
Prairie	18.93	2.75	18.49
Alpine	21.97	-4.45	25.14

Bias and root mean square error (RMSE) of global, multi-year snow depth comparison between AMSR-E and in-situ data (AMSR-E – in-situ observation) for each snow cover class. Statistical values are based on AMSR-E measurements for the winter months (December, January, and February).



Validation Results – STAR vs CIMSS Snow Depth

Valid for the January 15, 2015

Snow depth	GAASP : corrected BT	GAASP : uncorrected BT	CIMSS : uncorrected BT
bias	-0.50 cm	-0.46 cm	-0.48 cm (-1.39 cm*)
RMSE	18.7 cm	19.40 cm	19.23 cm (21.95 cm*)
Number of pixels	2432	2144	2162 (770*)

*valid for pixels with forest fraction above 30%



Validation Results – Snow Water Equivalent

Overall, AMSR2 SWE slightly underestimates SNODAS SWE by 0.02 mm. The RMSE is 29.10 mm.

STAR vs CIMSS:

SWE	GAASP : corrected BT	GAASP : uncorrected BT	CIMSS : uncorrected BT
bias	-0.22 mm	-0.16 mm	-0.17 mm
RMSE	31.35 mm	31.61 mm	31.62 mm
Number of pixels	26639	22279	21609
Mean (AMSR2)	62.06 mm	61.68 mm	61.68 mm

Valid for the January 15, 2015



Validation Results – STAR vs CIMSS

Extensive snow cover and snow depth validation results are available in the ATBD and in:

Lee, K.-L., C. Kongoli, and J. Key, 2015, An in-depth evaluation of heritage algorithms for snow cover and snow depth using AMSR-E and AMSR2 measurements, J. Atmos. Oceanic Tech., 32, 2319-2336, doi: 10.1175/JTECH-D-15-0100.1.



Summary of Validation Results for AMSR2 Snow Products

- The AMSR snow product samples generated by the AIT are nearly identical to those generated locally at CIMSS.
- The AMSR2 snow products have been validated against IMS SCA products, ground measured snow depth (WMO, COOP), and SNODAS SWE data.
- The AMSR2 snow <u>cover</u> product meets the accuracy and precision specifications, though for the single case study it is marginal.
- The AMSR2 snow <u>depth</u> product meets the accuracy and precision specifications.
- The AMSR2 snow <u>water equivalent</u> product meets the accuracy and precision specifications (50% of average amount), though it is marginal for the single case study.



Validation: Sea Ice EDR

Presented by

Walt Meier







- Product Overview and Requirements
- Product Examples
- Validation Strategy
- Validation Results

Goal: Demonstrate science quality of the AMSR2 snow and ice products.

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AMSR2 Sea Ice Characterization Algorithm Readiness

Presented by

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AMSR2 Sea Ice Characterization Overview

- The AMRS2 sea ice characterization product provides sea ice concentration and an age class (first-year or multiyear concentration)
- NASA Team 2 (NT2) as primary; Bootstrap (BT) as secondary
 - » Allows known errors from each to be considered
 - NASA Team 2: atmospheric emission
 - Bootstrap: low (cold) temperatures and melt
 - » Difference in concentrations between algorithms provides a confidence indicator
 - » Concentration range estimate (max min) for each day of NT2 concentration provides uncertainty estimate due to temporal sampling
 - » Iteration for NASA Team 2 atmospheric correction provides a potential quantitative error estimate
 - Takes advantage of higher frequency channels for better spatial resolution, up to 5 km initial implementation will be at 10 km resolution



AMSR2 Sea Ice Characterization Requirements

Table 8.0.1 GCOM Sea Ice Characterization			
EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective	
Applicable conditions		Delivered under "all weather" conditions	
Vertical coverage	Ice surface	Ice surface	
Horizontal cell size	10 km	5 km	
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	3 km	
Measurement range			
Ice concentration	1/10 – 10/10	0 – 100%	
Ice age classes	lce free, first-year, multiyear ice	Ice free, nilas, grey white, grey, white, first year medium, first year thick, second year, and multiyear; smooth and deformed ice	



AMSR2 Sea Ice Characterization Requirements, cont.

Table 8.0.2 GCOM Sea Ice Characterization			
EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective	
Measurement uncertainty*			
Ice concentration	10%	5%	
Probability of correct typing of ice age classes	70%	90%	
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)	Not Specified	
Geographic coverage	All ice-covered regions of the global ocean	All ice-covered regions of the global ocean	

*"Uncertainty" above may be incorrect. Using the term "accuracy" (absolute value of mean bias) and the same value (10%) would be consistent with ice concentration requirements for GOES-R ABI (accuracy: 10%) and JPSS VIIRS (accuracy: 10%; uncertainty: 25%). Perhaps accuracy is what was intended.



Algorithm Output: Ice Char.

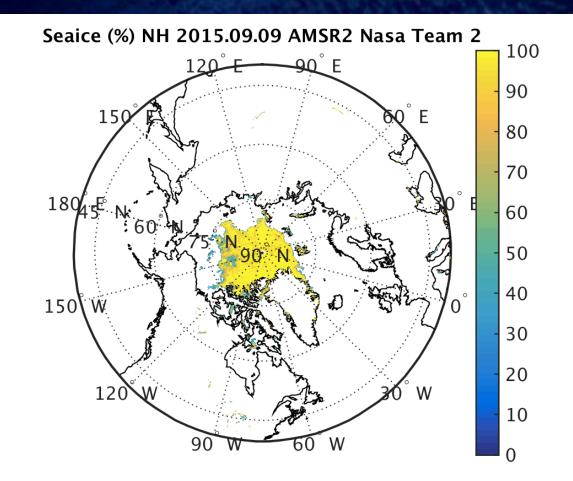
• Output Data:

Ice concentration and ice age class

Name	Туре	Description	Dimension
Ice concentration	output	Output contains ice concentration for each pixel identified as ice	Scan grid (xsize, ysize)
Ice age	Output	Multiyear and first-year ice fraction	Scan grid (xsize, ysize)
Concentration uncertainty	output	Concentration uncertainty for each pixel from NASA Team 2 iteration	Scan grid (xsize, ysize)
QC flags for Ice Concentration/cover	output	Quality Control Flags for every pixel	Scan grid (xsize, ysize)



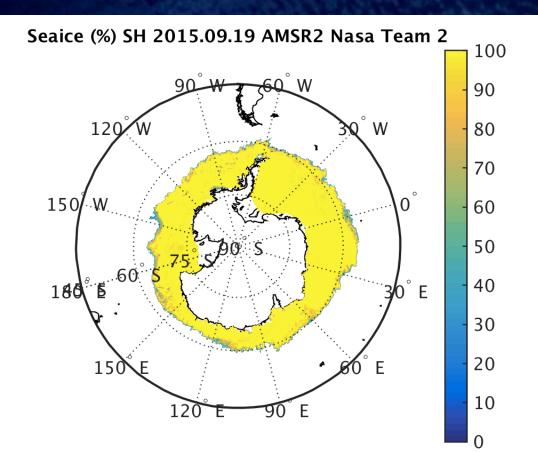
Example of AMSR2 sea ice concentration over the Arctic on 9 September 2015.



Example of AMSR2 sea ice concentration over the Antarctic on 19 September 2015.

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Validation Strategy

- Numerous validation studies have been done on BT and NT2 algorithms via comparisons with aircraft and other satellite (vis/IR, SAR) imagery
 - » e.g., Cavalieri et al., 2006; Meier, 2005; Comiso et al., 1997; Comiso and Nishio, 2008; Andersen et al., 2007; Ivanova et al., 2014
 - » Concentration errors for the central ice pack during cold, winter periods are <5%</p>
 - » Errors for melting ice, thin ice, and near the ice edge may be higher
 - » Precision of the ice edge limited by spatial resolution of the channel with the largest footprint (IFOV), ~25 km for AMSR2

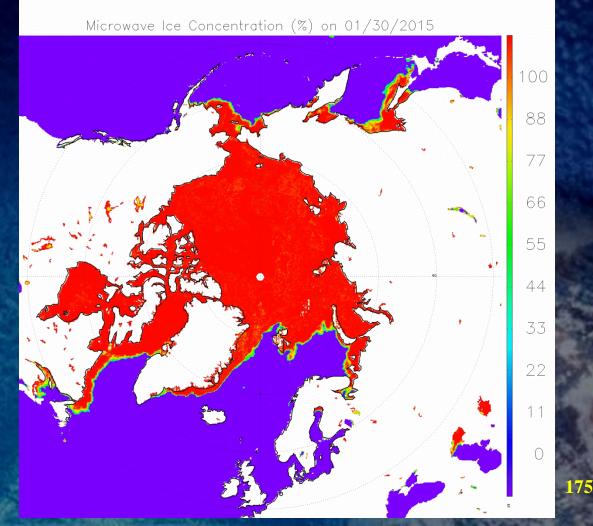
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- AIT test cases were validated through a comparison of the AMSR2 ice concentration results to S-NPP VIIRS sea ice concentration. Differences are expected due to:
 - » Cloud cover VIIRS retrievals are clear-sky only
 - » Spatial resolution VIIRS is < 1 km</p>



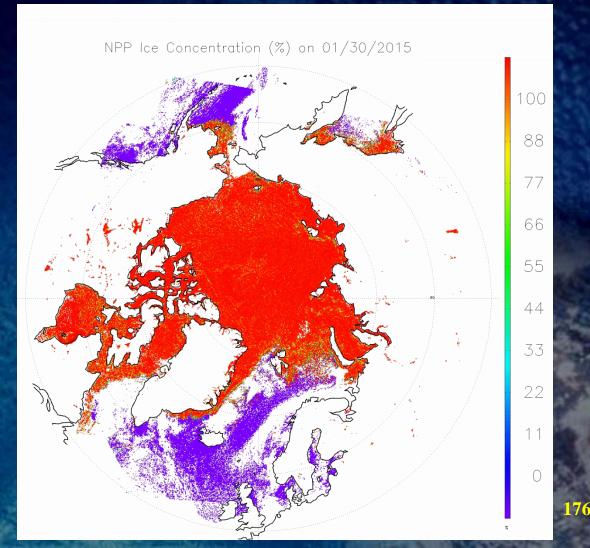
Comparison of AMSR2 and VIIRS sea ice concentration over the Arctic on 31 January 2015.

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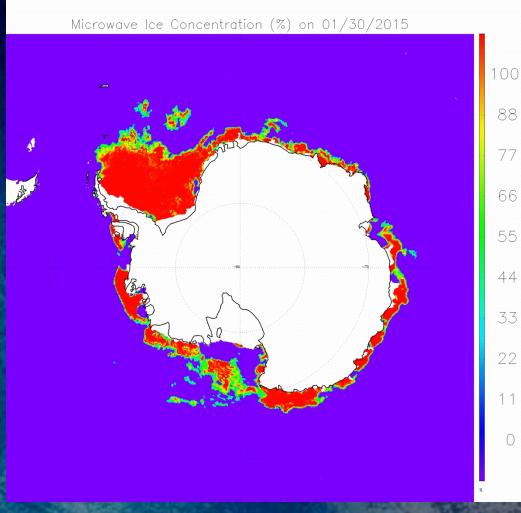
Comparison of AMSR2 and VIIRS sea ice concentration over the Arctic on 31 January 2015.





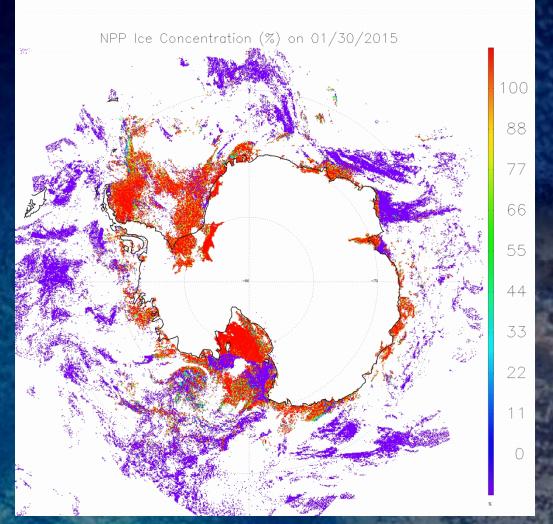
Comparison of AMSR2 and VIIRS sea ice concentration over the Antarctic on 31 January 2015.

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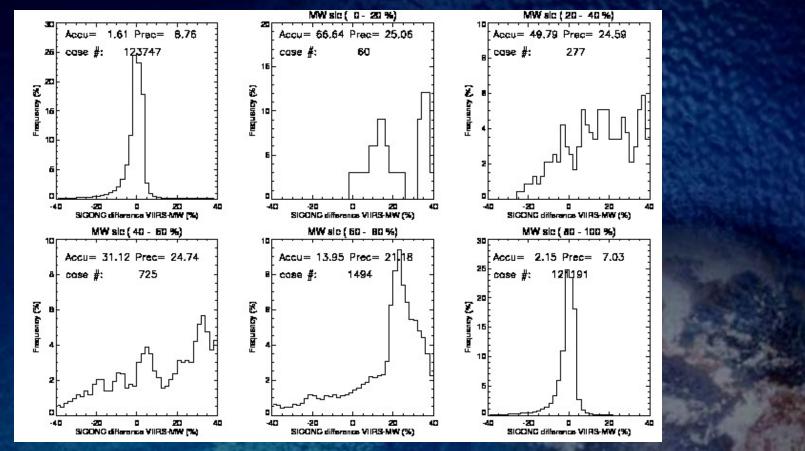


Comparison of AMSR2 and VIIRS sea ice concentration over the Antarctic on 31 January 2015.



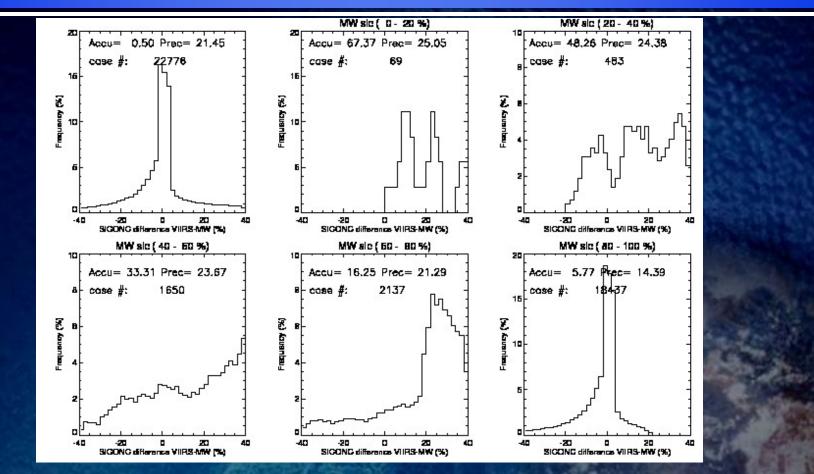
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Histograms of the differences between AMSR2 and VIIRS sea ice concentration over the Arctic on 31 January 2015. Results are given for different ice concentration bins. The upper left is for the entire concentration range. 179





Histograms of the diffferences between AMSR2 and VIIRS sea ice concentration over the Antarctic on 31 January 2015. Results are given for different ice concentration bins. The upper left is for the entire concentration range. 180



Validation Results Summary

Statistical results of the comparison in sea ice concentration between AMSR2 (AIT) and VIIRS.

Maximum (red) and minimum (blue) values in each column are highlighted.

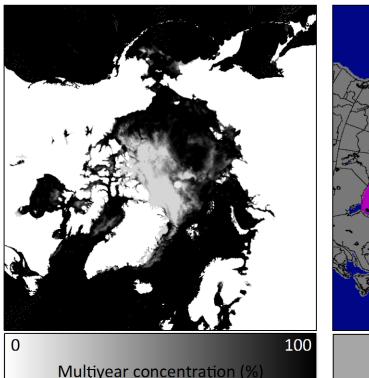
	Arctic			Antarctic		
	Accu	Prec	Cases	Accu	Prec	Cases
01/30	1.61	8.76	123747	0.50	21.45	22776
01/31	1.62	9.10	124514	1.53	22.03	19556
02/27	2.05	9.91	122376	1.04	20.19	20101
02/28	2.03	9.35	120343	0.21	20.88	22256
03/30	2.45	10.01	122108	1.52	14.90	48343
03/31	2.12	9.39	118841	2.48	15.24	43737
04/30	3.02	11.98	88959	1.85	12.64	79228
04/31	3.01	11.87	79756	2.24	12.62	82094
05/30	3.20	11.46	65418	2.19	13.03	99093
05/31	3.22	11.92	70990	1.80	12.97	104142
06/30	2.19	14.05	56864	1.55	11.08	121964
06/31	1.89	14.41	55580	1.56	11.78	123805
07/30	1.89	18.33	35577	2.43	12.62	142350
07/31	2.53	18.20	38069	2.58	12.34	138524
08/30	0.25	18.48	28727	2.79	11.87	133027
08/31	0.61	17.19	27315	2.95	12.71	142208



Multiyear ice validation

The multi-year ice concentration (MYIC) parameter has not been thoroughly validated and is still considered to be experimental. Initial comparison with independent ice age fields (using Lagrangian tracking of ice parcels) indicates good agreement in terms of spatial distribution of multi-year ice cover.

AMSR2 MYIC, 3/15/2013



Lagrangian ice age, 3/15/2013

Age in Years: 0-1 1-2 2-3 3-4 >4



Summary of Validation Results for AMSR2 Ice Characterization

- The AMSR sea ice characterization product samples generated by the AIT are essentially the same as those generated locally at CIMSS.
- The AMSR2 ice concentration has been validated against the VIIRS sea ice concentration product.
- The AMSR2 ice characterization product meets the accuracy requirements, though "uncertainty" in the requirements documents should be changed to "accuracy".



Validation: Soil Moisture EDR

Presented by

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Basic Requirement 7.0

• **Requirement 7.0:** The STAR GCOM processing system shall produce a soil moisture (SM) product.

Table 7.0 - GCOM-W Soil Moisture

EDR Attribute	Threshold	Objective		
Applicable conditions	Delivered under "all weather" conditions	Delivered under "all weather" conditions		
Sensing depth	Surface to -0.1 cm (skin layer)	Surface to -80 cm		
Horizontal cell size	40km (1)	20 km		
Mapping uncertainty, 3 sigma	5 km	1 km		
Measurement Uncertainty	6% volumetric RMSE (goal) with VWC < 1.5 kg/m ² or GVF < 0.5 and < 2 mm/hr precip rate	Surface: 5% 80 cm column: 5%		
Measurement range	0 – 50%(2)	0 – 50%		
Refresh	At least 90% coverage of the globe about every 20 hours (monthly average)(3)	n/s		
Latency	25 minutes			

Note:

(1) Per AMSR-E legacy and user convenience, 25km can be obtained.

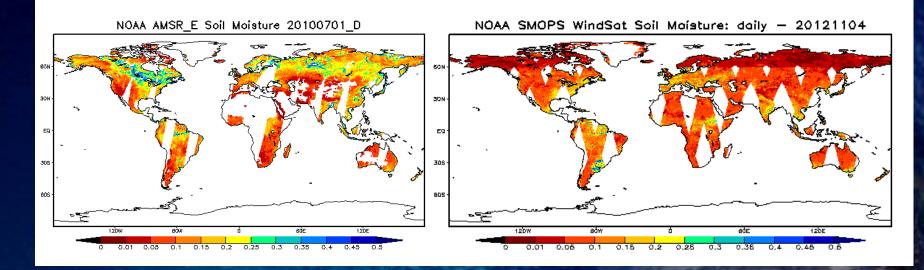
(2) Absolution soil moisture unit (m³/m³ volume %) is preferred by most users of NWP community

(3) This Refresh requirement is consistent with the AMSR-2 Cross-track Swath Width design of 1450 km for a single orbit plane



Single Channel Retrieval (SCR) Algorithm

 Currently used in NOAA Soil Moisture Operational Product System (SMOPS) for retrieving soil moisture from observations of WindSat and AMSR-E (before AMSR-E was down).



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Good spatial/temporal dynamics and reasonable patterns.

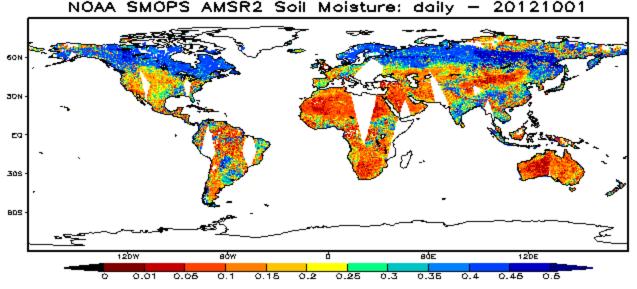
Main issue: Sensitive to NDVI.



Land Parameter Retrieval Model (LPRM) By VUA and NASA

Capable of retrieving both SM and Vegetation Optical Depth (tau).

Original Soil Moisture Map



NOAA SMOPS AMSR2 Soil Moisture: daily - 20121001

Problem: SM too high. •

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AMSR-2 Soil Moisture EDR Algorithm

Algorithm applied to AMSR2 EDR:

SCR: Inverse tau-omega equation of a TBh (C/X-band) for SM with tau from NDVI and Ts from TB36v. Used in SMOPS

LPRM: Inverse tau-omega equations of TBh and TBv (C/X-band) for tau and SM with Ts from TB36v Hybrid: Use LPRM inversed tau in SCR



Theoretical Basis of the SCR Algorithm

- Introduced by Jackson (1993).
- TB_h (C/X-band) is the most sensitive to SM
- Simplified τ - ω equation is used to inverse e while τ & T_s are estimated from NDVI and TB_{36v}

$$T_{Bp} = T_s e_{r,p} \exp(-\tau_p / \cos \theta) + T_s$$
$$[1 - \exp(-\tau_p / \cos \theta)][1 + R_{r,p} \exp(-\tau_p / \cos \theta)]$$

- The Fresnel equation is then used to determine the dielectric constant from e and a dielectric mixing model is used to inverse SM
- Results were too sensitive to NDVI errors



Theoretical Basis of the LPRM Algorithm

- Introduced by Owe et al (2001).
- Relate τ to $MPDI = (T_{Bv} T_{Bh})/(T_{Bv} + T_{Bh})$
- The τ - ω equation is used to inverse e while T_s is estimated from TB_{36v}

$$T_{Bp} = T_s e_{r,p} \exp(-\tau_p / \cos \theta) + T_s (1 - \omega_p)$$
$$[1 - \exp(-\tau_p / \cos \theta)][1 + R_{r,p} \exp(-\tau_p / \cos \theta)]$$

- The Fresnel equation is then used to determine the dielectric constant from e and a dielectric mixing model is used to inverse SM
- Results were too high for some areas



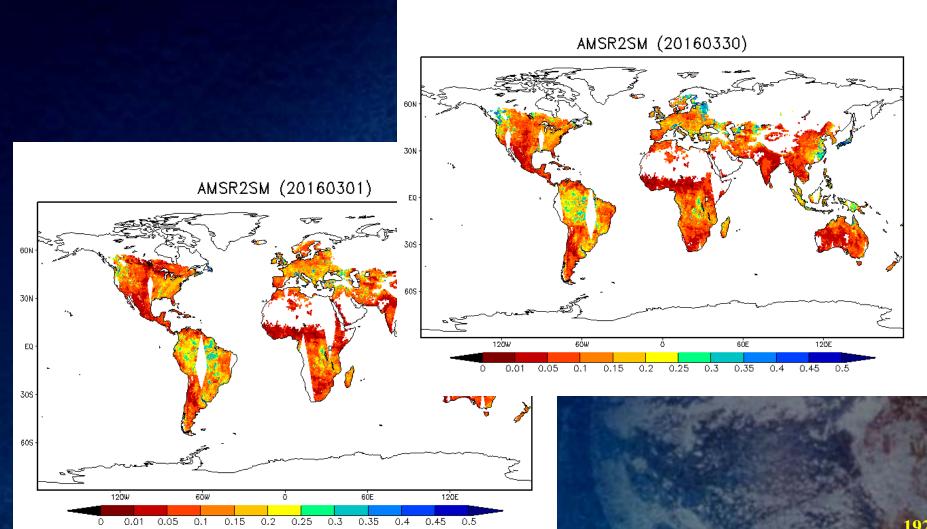
Combining the SCR and LPRM Algorithms

- τ inversion from LPRM
- Apply τ to simplified τ-ω equation to solve for e
- Use Fresnel equation to determine the dielectric constant from e
- Use a dielectric mixing model to inverse SM

AMSR2 SM EDR

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SM EDR Validation: In-situ Data Collection

• All *in-situ* soil moisture measurements from USDA SCAN sites are collected and reprocessed.



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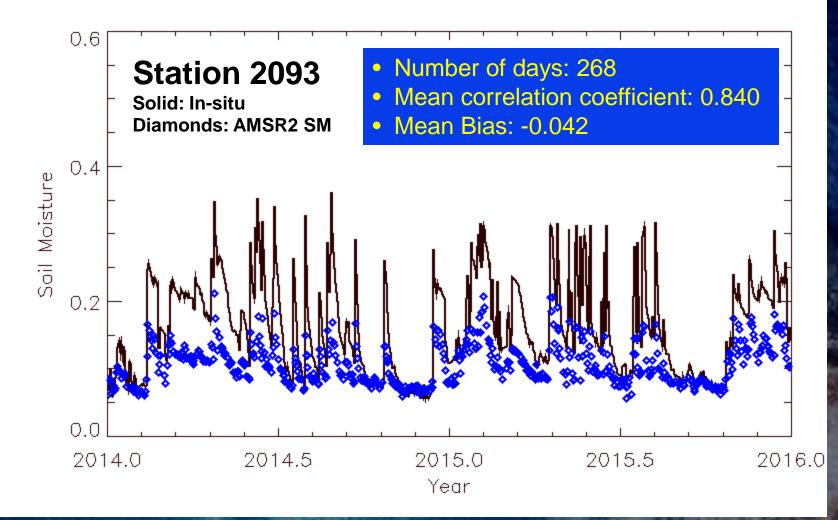
AMSR2 SM vs SCAN: Overall Statistics



• Mean RMSE: 0.038

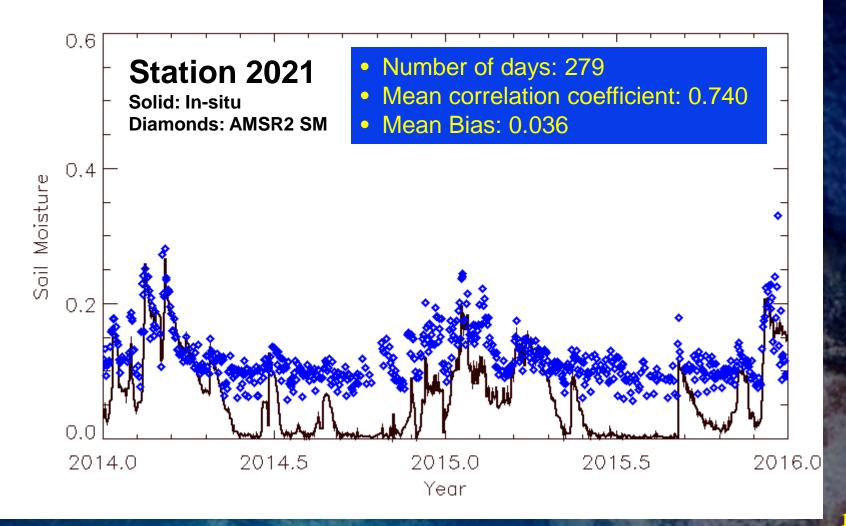


AMSR2 SM vs SCAN: Sample time series



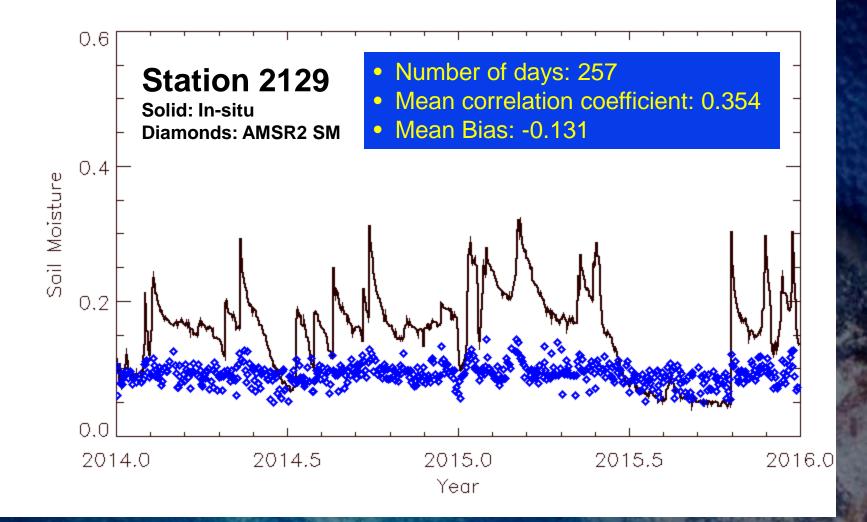


AMSR2 SM vs SCAN: Sample time series





AMSR2 SM vs SCAN: Sample time series





AMSR2 SM EDR Validation: Summary

The preliminary validation using SCAN field data show that:

- **1.** The overall RMSE is within four percent.
- 2. AMSR2 SM is mainly overestimating.
- 3. The time series shows good correlation.
- 4. Results are good for some stations while they are bad for some others.
- 5. Further investigation is needed to determine the source of error and, therefore, to improve the algorithm.
- 6. Further validation work is need with more in-situ data and inter-comparison with other satellite SM products.



Validation: Unit Tests & Final DAP

Presented by

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GAASP Day 2 Testing

- The STAR GAASP development team has been running the system via CRON on rhs8142 and distributing preoperational data to users for about 2 years
 - » Demonstrates that each unit can run error free over long periods
 - » Provides output files to users via http://manati.star.nesdis.noaa.gov/gcom/data_gaasp_day2/
- Preliminary DAP was delivered to NDE on 10/5/2015 to assist with early integration efforts
- Final DAP was delivered to NDE on 03/22/2016



GAASP – Run Times

 GAASP product generation within ESPC (NDE) is allocated 25 minutes per orbit. Below are the average run times at STAR running on rhs8142.

Process	Average Clock Time	In Minutes	
GAASP_Preprocessor.pl	64 seconds	1.1	
GAASP_Ocean.pl	96 seconds	1.6	
GAASP_Precipitation.pl	617 seconds	10.3	
GAASP_Snow.pl	640 seconds	10.7	
GAASP_SoilMoisture.pl	15 seconds	0.25	
GAASP_Seaice.pl	160 seconds	2.7	
GAASP_Postprocessor.pl	14 seconds	0.23	
MAX Latency	718 seconds	12.0	



GAASP – NetCDF CF1.5 Compliance

 Testing each netCDF Template file at http://puma.nerc.ac.uk/cgibin/cf-checker.pl

Scan Time always causes an error due to it being 6 dimensions.

- » Scan_Time:long_name = "Scan line Start Time 6-D for (YYYY, MM, DD, HH, MM, SS.S) in GMT"
- » ERROR (5): Dimensions of Scan_Time must be a subset of dimensions of [each variable that list Scan_Time as a coordinate]
- All "Information Messages" are along the lines of
 - » INFO: attribute 'comment' is being used in a non-standard way
 - » INFO: attribute '_FillValue' is being used in a non-standard way



GAASP – NetCDF CF1.5 Compliance

NetCDF Template File	Errors	Warning	Information
gaasp_mbt.nc	1	0	41
gaasp_ocean.nc	1	0	9
gaasp_precip.nc	1	0	9
gaasp_snow.nc	1	0	5
gaasp_soil.nc	1	0	5
gaasp_seaice-nh.nc	1	0	3
gaasp_seaice-sh.nc	1	0	3



 AMSR2 Sea Ice North Hemisphere GRIB2 file can be produced successfully. Here is GAASP Sea Ice GRIB2 run at 11:47 on March 18, 2016:

pwdrhs8142(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-NH>pwd /net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-NH rhs8142(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-NH>ls -Irt total 72332 -rw-r-----. 1 ysong star 66159696 Mar 16 12:15 GAASP-SEAICE-NH_v2r0_GW1_s201603161140230_e201603161319220_c201603161507370.h5 -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 190 Mar 16 12:17 NPR.pI.PCF -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 194 Mar 18 11:47 npr.filenames -rwxr-xr-x. 1 ysong star 7804636 Mar 18 11:47 AMSR2-SEAICE-NH_v2r0_GW1_s201603161140230_e201603161319220_c201603181547260.grib2 -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 82 Mar 18 11:47 NPR.pI.PSF -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 1784 Mar 18 11:47 NPR.pI.log rhs8142(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-NH>



• Dumped the contents of the log file (NPR.pl.log) to show that everything ran correctly. There were no error in the script itself, any of the system calls, the main program, its subroutines and GRIB2 library calls. This log file contained the starting and ending times indicating everything completed in 13 seconds of clock time. The CPU for the main program is 0.4 seconds for one day North Pole Sea Ice data.

Starting at Fri Mar 18 11:47:26 EDT 2016 main_npr is now starting. Starting AMSR2 ICE H5 to grib2 GRIB2 FileName= AMSR2-SEAICE-NH v2r0 GW1 s201603161140230 e201603161319220 c201603181547260.grib2 Total_Allocation = 24255000 CPU TIME for read NetCDF4 files is: 0.15497600000000 Starting AMSR2_ice_write_grib2 lengrib returned from gribend= 7804636 lcgrib= 44100000 Closing GRIB2 file. Finishing AMSR2_ice_write_grib2 CPU TIME for wrting GRIB2 files is: 0.24596400000000 Finishing AMSR2 ICE H5 to grib2 main npr is now finished. CPU time for the whole program is: 0.40193900000000 Total time=3 Ending at Fri Mar 18 11:47:29 EDT 2016



The created AMSR2 Sea Ice GRIB2 file can also be dumped with the NCEP WGRIB2 utility. It indicates that the product is readable among user communities.
 » Message from the WGRIB2 utility for the North Hemisphere GRIB2 file.

rhw1044(ysong):/net/orbit247l/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-NH>wgrib2 -V AMSR2-SEAICE-NH_v2r0_GW1_s201603161140230_e201603161319220_c201603181547260.grib2

- 1.1:0:vt=2016031611:reserved:anl:ICEC Ice Cover [Proportion]: ndata=1102500:undef=528883:mean=25.1539:min=0:max=100 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info
- 1.2:0:vt=2016031611:reserved:anl:ICEC Ice Cover [Proportion]:climatological ndata=1102500:undef=526076:mean=9.68636:min=0:max=100 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info
- 1.3:0:vt=2016031611:reserved:anl:ICEC Ice Cover [Proportion]: ndata=1102500:undef=528883:mean=25.0192:min=0:max=100 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info
- 1.4:0:vt=2016031611:reserved:anl:TSEC Seconds Prior To Initial Reference Time (Defined In Section 1) [s]: ndata=1102500:undef=791496:mean=425.829:min=0:max=1488 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info

rhw1044(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-NH>



 AMSR2 Sea Ice South Hemisphere GRIB2 file can also be produced successfully. Here is GAASP Sea Ice GRIB2 run at 14:21 on March 18, 2016:

rhs8142(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-SH>pwd /net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-SH rhs8142(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-SH>Is -Irt total 46160 -rw-r-----. 1 ysong star 42345696 Mar 18 12:15 GAASP-SEAICE-SH_v2r0_GW1_s201603181307220_e201603181443210_c201603181531130.h5 -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 190 Mar 18 14:19 NPR.pI.PCF -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 194 Mar 18 14:21 npr.filenames -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 82 Mar 18 14:21 NPR.pI.PSF -rw-r--r--. 1 ysong star 1784 Mar 18 14:21 NPR.pI.log -rwxr-xr-x. 1 ysong star 4839597 Mar 18 14:21 AMSR2-SEAICE-SH_v2r0_GW1_s201603181307220_e201603181443210_c201603181821060.grib2 rhs8142(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-SH>



• Dumped the contents of the log file (NPR.pl.log) to show that everything ran correctly. There were no error in the script itself, any of the system calls, the main program, its subroutines and GRIB2 library calls. This log file contained the starting and ending times indicating everything completed in 2 seconds of clock time. The CPU for the main program is 0.2 seconds for one day North Pole Sea Ice data.

Starting at Fri Mar 18 14:21:06 EDT 2016 main_npr is now starting. Starting AMSR2 ICE H5 to grib2 GRIB2 FileName= AMSR2-SEAICE-SH v2r0 GW1 s201603181307220 e201603181443210 c201603181821060.grib2 Total Allocation = 15523200 CPU TIME for read NetCDF4 files is: 0.10098500000000 Starting AMSR2_ice_write_grib2 lengrib returned from gribend= 4839597 lcgrib= 28224000 Closing GRIB2 file. Finishing AMSR2_ice_write_grib2 CPU TIME for wrting GRIB2 files is: 0.15897600000000 Finishing AMSR2 ICE H5 to grib2 main npr is now finished. CPU time for the whole program is: 0.26096100000000 Total time=2 Ending at Fri Mar 18 14:21:08 EDT 2016



The created AMSR2 Sea Ice GRIB2 file can also be dumped with the NCEP WGRIB2 utility. It indicates that the product is readable among user communities.
 » Message from the WGRIB2 utility for the South Hemisphere GRIB2 file.

rhw1044(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-SH>wgrib2 -V AMSR2-SEAICE-SH_v2r0_GW1_s201603181307220_e201603181443210_c201603181821060.grib2 1.1:0:vt=2016031813:reserved:anl:ICEC Ice Cover [Proportion]: ndata=705600:undef=143336:mean=6.80837:min=0:max=100 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info

- 1.2:0:vt=2016031813:reserved:anl:ICEC Ice Cover [Proportion]:climatological ndata=705600:undef=143336:mean=1.66624:min=0:max=100 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info
- 1.3:0:vt=2016031813:reserved:anl:ICEC Ice Cover [Proportion]: ndata=705600:undef=143336:mean=6.11652:min=0:max=100 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info
- 1.4:0:vt=2016031813:reserved:anl:TSEC Seconds Prior To Initial Reference Time (Defined In Section 1) [s]: ndata=705600:undef=402063:mean=348.784:min=34:max=1442 grid_template=140:winds(N/S):no other grid info

rhw1044(ysong):/net/orbit247I/disk1/pub/ysong/intel/AMSR2/run/AMSR2-ICE-SH>



• Rober Grumbine, the user at NCEP/EMC, test the sample GRIB2 files and approved this GRIB2 product. Here is his email on 3/2/2016.

I think I've replied before, but for certainty: Yes, looks ok. I particularly like that latency field being added.

Thanks,

Bob

• Boi Vuong, the NCEP GRIB2 library developer, decoded the sample GRIB2 files and approved them. Here is his email on 10/15/2016.

Hi Yi,

I decoded your sample files and they look fine in GRIB2 format. There is one file I could not decode SEAICE_NH_201502152336.h5 (not GRIB2). All of your GRIB2 files are in simple packing. Note: There are some options in GRIB2 that allow you to pack the grib message in the following packing:

- -p0 simple packing
- -p2 complex packing
- -p31 complex pack with 1st order diffs
- -p32 complex pack with 2nd order diffs
- -p40 JPEG2000 encoding
- -p41 PNG encoding

Thanks, Boi



- GRAC = GCOM RDR to ASD Converter
- Takes an HDF5 RDR double-contact file and the GPS time in seconds of the last RDR packet read in
- Uses that value to cut the double contact RDR at the location of the new orbital information
- Creates an ASD file with just the new data for use by the JAXA code
- Filenames use GPS seconds time instead of standard UTC. (NDE Approved)



PCF file

EMAIL_ERROR_FLAG=NO
working_directory=/home/letitias/RDR_splitter/TEST/2
GPS_TIME_FILE=/home/letitias/RDR_splitter/TEST/1/LAST_GPS_s1081207756_e1081219633.txt
RDR_INPUT_FILE=RAM2M_gw1_d20140411_t0107461_e0425599_b00002_c20150724164252855696_advu_dev.
h5
OPS_BIN=/home/letitias/RDR_splitter/bin

PSF_FILE=GCOM.PSF

Log file

Processing file:

RAM2M_gwl_d20140411_t0107461_e0425599_b00002_c20150724164252855696_advu_dev.h5
Reading: All_Data/AMSR2-MISSIONDATA-RDR_All/RawApplicationPackets_0
Writing AMSR2 RAP 1 into asd.tmp
Writing to = GCOM_1476_s1081219635_e1081225574.ASD



PSF file

/home/letitias/RDR_splitter/TEST/2/GCOM_1476_s1081219635_e1081225574.ASD
/home/letitias/RDR_splitter/TEST/2/LAST_GPS_s1081219635_e1081225574.txt

ASD file ~ half the size of the RDR file

64897024 Sep 22 2015 GCOM_1476_s1081219635_e1081225574.ASD 129934236 Sep 10 2015 RAM2M_gw1_d20140411_t0107461_e0425599_b00002_c20150724164252855696_advu_dev.h5

LAST_GPS time file contains GPS time for next run of GRAC

cat LAST_GPS_s1081219635_e1081225574.txt 1081225574





- Received LG2 RDR files for a period of 2 days
- Ran them through the GRAC
- Ran them through the JAXA 2.1 code on rhs8142
- Compared the outputs to the L1B files we receive directly from Japan and currently use in our development system



Comparison of JAXA vs STAR produced granules

	NumberOfScans		ObservationStartDateTime		ObservationEndDateTime		NumberMissingPackets	
granule id	JAXA	STAR	JAXA	STAR	JAXA	STAR	JAXA	STAR
201604110407_221	3961		2016-04-11 T04:07:31.476Z	2016-04-11 T04:07:31.476Z	2016-04-11 T05:46:30.905Z	2016-04-11 T05:46:29.405Z	1	0
201604110546_004	3840		2016-04-11 T05:46:32.405Z	2016-04-11 T05:46:30.905Z	2016-04-11 T07:22:30.340Z	2016-04-11 T07:22:30.340Z	C) 0
			2016-04-11	2016-04-11 T	2016-04-11	2016-04-11		
201604110722_020	3961		2016-04-11	07:22:31.840Z 2016-04-11	T09:01:31.267Z 2016-04-11	T09:01:29.767Z 2016-04-11	2	2 0
201604110901_036	3960			T09:01:31.267Z 2016-04-11	T10:40:30.697Z 2016-04-11	T10:40:30.697Z 2016-04-11	(0
201604111040_052	3840		T10:40:32.197Z 2016-04-11	T10:40:32.197Z 2016-04-11	T12:16:30.140Z 2016-04-11	T12:16:30.140Z	(0 0
201604111216_068	3961	3960	T12:16:31.640Z	T12:16:31.640Z	T13:55:31.070Z	T13:55:29.571Z	1	0



GRAC is designed to only output full scan lines which are 16 packets each.
» Accounts for occasional miss-alignments
When the granules lined up exactly there were no differences for all BTs. There were differences for Land/Ocean Mask.
» STAR probably has an old copy of the SeaFlag files.



GAASP: GRAC Testing

 When the granules are off by one scan line, the first 10 scan lines or the last 10 scan lines (depending on where the miss-alignment occurs) are slightly different (< 0.1 K)



- Updated netCDF4 metadata to follow Algorithm Delivery Standards, Integration, and Test_V1.5-DRAFT_03042015.docx
- MBT, Ocean, Precip, Snow, Soil Moisture are all SWATH files and have the same metadata structure
- Sea ice is on a grid and has a different metadata structure



• Swath example

// global attributes: :Conventions = "CF-1.5"; :Metadata Conventions = "CF-1.5, Unidata Datasset Discovery v1.0" ; :standard_name_vocabulary = "CF Standard Name Table (version 17, 24 March 2011)"; :project = "NPP Data Exploitation: NOAA GCOM-W1 AMSR2" ; :title = "AMSR2 MBT" ; :summary = "GCOM Microwave Brightness Temperatures" ; :institution = "DOC/NOAA/NESDIS/OSPO > Office of Satellite and Product Operations, NESDIS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce"; :naming authority = "gov.noaa.nesdis.nde" ; :platform name = "GCOM-W1" ; :instrument_name = "AMSR2" ; :creator name = "DOC/NOAA/NESDIS/STAR > IOSSPDT Algorithm Team, Center for Applications and Research, NESDIS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce"; Satellite :creator email = "espcoperations@noaa.gov" ; :creator url = "http://www.star.nesdis.noaa.gov" ; :publisher_name = "DOC/NOAA/NESDIS/NDE > NPP Data Exploitation, Center for Satellite Applications and Research, NESDIS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce"; :publisher_email = "espcoperations@noaa.gov" ; :publisher_url = "http://www.ospo.noaa.gov/" ; :references = "Contact the OSPO PAL to request the ATBD." ; :history = "Created by GAASP version 2.0, Release 0.0" ; :processing level = "NOAA Level 1 data" ; :production_site = "" ; :production environment = "" ;



Swath example (cont.)

```
:cdm data type = "Swath" ;
      :geospatial lat units = "degrees north" ;
      :geospatial lon units = "degrees east" ;
      :date created = "2016-03-11T05:28:12Z" ;
      :id = "ba3ee3d3-def0-4813-817a-7c6ed8c2e9cc";
      :Metadata Link = "AMSR2-
MBT v2r0 GW1 s201603110134210 e201603110313190 c201603110528120.nc";
      :source = "GW1AM2 201603110134 196B L1SNBTBR 2210210.h5,
seaice.t00z.5min.grb.grib2.20160310.nc" ;
      :start orbit number = 20292 ;
      :end orbit number = 20293 ;
      :day_night_data_flag = 2 ;
      :ascend descend data flag = 2 ;
      :time coverage start = "2016-03-11T01:34:21.666Z" ;
      :time coverage end = "2016-03-11T03:13:19.593Z";
      : geospatial first scanline first fov lat = 72.86f ;
      :geospatial_first_scanline_last_fov_lat = 66.89f ;
      : geospatial first scanline first fov lon = 0.91f ;
      :geospatial_first_scanline_last_fov_lon = 40.73f ;
      :geospatial_last_scanline_first_fov_lat = 72.56f ;
      : geospatial last scanline last fov lat = 66.68f ;
      : geospatial last scanline first for lon = -23.89f;
      : geospatial last scanline last fov lon = 15.55f ;
      :geospatial_bounds = "POLYGON((0.91, 72.86, 40.73, 66.89, 15.55, 66.68, -23.89, 72. 56))";
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Grid example

```
// global attributes:
      :Conventions = "CF-1.5";
      :Metadata Conventions = "CF-1.5, Unidata Datasset Discovery v1.0" ;
      :standard_name_vocabulary = "CF Standard Name Table (version 17, 24 March 2011)";
      :project = "NPP Data Exploitation: NOAA GCOM-W1 AMSR2" ;
      :title = "AMSR2 SEAICE" ;
      :summary = "GCOM Seaice Products" ;
      :institution = "DOC/NOAA/NESDIS/OSPO > Office of Satellite and Product
               NESDIS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce";
Operations,
      :naming authority = "gov.noaa.nesdis.nde" ;
      :platform name = "GCOM-W1" ;
      :instrument_name = "AMSR2" ;
      :creator name = "DOC/NOAA/NESDIS/STAR > IOSSPDT Algorithm Team, Center for
           Applications and Research, NESDIS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce";
Satellite
      :creator email = "espcoperations@noaa.gov" ;
      :creator url = "http://www.star.nesdis.noaa.gov" ;
      :publisher_name = "DOC/NOAA/NESDIS/NDE > NPP Data Exploitation, Center for
Satellite Applications and Research, NESDIS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce";
      :publisher_email = "espcoperations@noaa.gov" ;
      :publisher_url = "http://www.ospo.noaa.gov/" ;
      :references = "Contact the OSPO PAL to request the ATBD." ;
      :history = "Created by GAASP version 2.0, Release 0.0" ;
:processing level = "NOAA Level 2 data" ;
      :production_site = "" ;
:production environment = "" ;
```



• Grid example

```
:cdm data type = "Grid" ;
      :geospatial_lat_min = 18.87699f ;
:geospatial lat max = 89.9367f ;
      :geospatial_lon_min = -179.945f ;
      :geospatial lon max = 179.945f ;
      :geospatial lat units = "degrees north" ;
:geospatial lon units = "degrees east" ;
      :date created = "2016-03-11T05:28:12Z" ;
      :id = "5608c7c1-8e80-453e-b471-0de4eae70467";
      :Metadata Link = "AMSR2-SEAICE-
NH v2r0 GW1 s201603110134210 e201603110313190 c201603110528120.nc";
      :source = "GAASP-LIR v2r0 GW1 s201603110134210 e201603110313190 c201603110507110.
                                                                                          h5.
GAASP-L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603102355200 e201603110134200 c201603110216110.h5, GAASP-
L1R_v2r0_GW1_s201603102216210_e201603102355190_c201603110037100.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603102034200 e201603102216190 c201603102255110.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603101852210 e201603102034180 c201603102116100.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603101713210 e201603101852190 c201603101934130.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603101534200 e201603101713200 c201603101755120.h5, GAASP-
L1R_v2r0_GW1_s201603101355210_e201603101534190_c201603101616110.h5, GAASP-
L1R_v2r0_GW1_s201603101216210_e201603101355190_c201603101446130.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603101037200 e201603101216200 c201603101307110.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603100901210 e201603101037190 c201603101125140.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603100722210 e201603100901190 c201603100946110.h5, GAASP-
L1R_v2r0_GW1_s201603100546210_e201603100722200_c201603100807130.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603100407210 e201603100546190 c201603100625150.h5, GAASP-
L1R v2r0 GW1 s201603100228200_e201603100407200_c201603100507110.h5" ;
```



• Grid example

:start_orbit_number = 20292 ;
 :end_orbit_number = 20293 ;
 :day_night_data_flag = 2 ;
 :ascend_descend_data_flag = 2 ;
 :time_coverage_start = "2016-03-11T01:34:21.666Z" ;
 :time_coverage_end = "2016-03-11T03:13:19.593Z" ;





Final GAASP DAP Checklist

- The final Day 2 DAP was delivered to sadie:
 - /utilraid/data/users/lsoullia/DAP/GAASP_v2-0_20160322.tar.gz
- The package contains:
 - » Code
 - GAASP code
 - Reformatter Toolkit (updated for the Sea Ice GRIB2 tailoring)
 - mapx-0.10 code
 - » Documentation:
 - README
 - SMM, EUM, ATBD documents
 - PDR, CDR, CTR, and ARR slide packages
 - » Data
 - Sample data
 - Static ancillary data



GAASP Code Details

Language	Line Count
Fortran 90	107,275
Fortran 77	0
С	1748
Perl	6614



Validation Unit Tests & Final DAP Summary

- GCOM Day 2 validation has demonstrated that:
 - » GAASP is meeting latency requirements
 - » GAASP output is CF compliant
 - » GRIB2 tailoring by the Reformatter Toolkit is being performed correctly
 - » The GAASP DAP is meeting NDE DAP 1.5 standards
 - » GRAC updates are able to handle the double contact RDRs from IDPS block 2.0
- DAP Checklist has verified that the DAP contents are complete and ready for integration and implementation in NDE



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Risk Summary

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CDR Risk

- Risk #12: The allocated latency thresholds for processing orbital (as opposed to granule) products still need to be identified and approved. There is a CCR to adjust these allocations (JPSS CCR (NJO-2015-032, Rev A)), but it has not been approved because of pushback from NWS.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - End to end testing within the NDE system will demonstrate the actual run times.
 Based on these, NJO will need to work with NWS or request a waiver.
- Status: Open

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- Risk #25: The delivery of GAASP Day 2 has likely missed the opportunity to run in NDE 1.0 because of the freeze.
- Risk Assessment: Medium
- Impact: Medium
- Likelihood: High
- Risk Mitigation:
 - STAR will make Day 2 products available from its ftp server until GAASP Day 2 can be declared operational at OSPO. If a new build of NDE 1.0 can be authorized, GAASP Day 2 products can then be generated operationally at OSPO, except for Sea Ice which requires L1R files. Sea Ice will have to be generated at STAR until NDE 2.0 is running (NDE 2.0 will get GCOM RDRs from IDPS block 2.0).
- Status: Open





- Risk #26: IDPS block 2.0 is labeling the AMSR2 RDR double orbit fullcontact RDR HDF5 files as "repairs" because there is temporal overlap. This overlap is necessary to obtain all the data, however, NDE doesn't subscribe to repairs so these files will not be available to NDE product generation.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - There is a CCR to have this fixed in the IDPS by the time block 2.0 is delivered. For now, NDE can also allow repairs for just GCOM RDRs as mitigation.
- Status: Open

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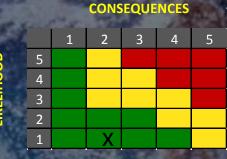
- Risk #27: The GHRSST reformatting capability is not yet complete.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Medium
- Risk Mitigation:
 - Andy Harris is working on this. When it's ready he will give the STAR GAASP developers the code to add to into the GAASP postprocessor. This should happen sometime in May 2016. Tish will redeliver an update of the DAP to NDE.
 - STAR GCOM developers will update the existing DSR to include these GHRSST files once the file sizes and other details are better known.
- Status: Open

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- Risk #28: The ATBD for Soil Moisture is still not yet complete and the SMM and EUM will need to be updated for GHRSST.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - This work is in progress and will be completed within the next month by the STAR GCOM developers and science team.
- Status: Open





- Risk #29: The LG2 GCOM evaluation of the L1B/L1R files indicated that the NDE version of the JAXA code is not using the latest version of the JAXA code. The observation times were off by 1 second. This is likely due to the last version not having been updated to include the leap second that was added on June 30, 2015.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - NDE developers will need to obtain and implement the latest version of the JAXA code.
- Status: Open

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- Risk #30: Need to have a Software Code Review for the Day 2 DAP.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - Code was submitted for review on 4/28/2016. This is in progress, but has not been completed.
- Status: Open





- Risk #31: Some minor updates are needed for Soil Moisture. (1) A LUT change will be needed and (2) we can turn off the production of the binary soil moisture file since SMOPS is now set up to use the netCDF4 instead.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - Jicheng and Tish will work together to implement these updates in the code, production rules, and documentation.
- Status: Open

CONSEQUENCES





- Risk #32: The JPSS Requirements need to be updated to remove the Surface Type EDR as a requirement.
- Risk Assessment: Low
- Impact: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Risk Mitigation:
 - The GCOM Science team leads will submit a CCR to the NOAA Engineering Review Board (ERB) to have this requirement removed from the L1RD Supplement.
- Status: Open





Risk Summary

- 7 Risks Total
 - » 1 Old Risks
 - » 6 New Risks
 - 6 Low
 - 1 Medium



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Review Objectives Have Been Addressed

- The following have been reviewed
 - » Project Schedule
 - » Project Requirements
 - » Software Architecture
 - » Validation
 - » Risks and Actions





Next Steps for GAASP

- Gather reviewer feedback, make necessary updates to the ARR and the Review Item Disposition, and make these updates available to the review team.
- Receive, integrate, and deliver to NDE the GHRSST generation capability and make final updates to documentation.
- Assist NCEI with any information required to assist archive of EDRs.
- Assist NDE and OSPO with system test validation and troubleshooting.



Open Discussion

• The review is now open for free discussion



AFWA	Air Force Weather Agency
AMSR2	Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer 2
AMSR-E	Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer – Earth Observing System
AMSU	Advanced Microwave Sounder Unit
APID	Application Package IDentifier
ARR	Algorithm Readiness Review
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
ASD	APID Sorted Data
ASI	Arctic Sea Ice
ATBD	Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document
ВТ	Bootstrap
BUFR	Binary Universal Form for the Representation of meteorological data
CDR	Critical Design Review
CICS	Cooperative Institute for Climate and Satellites
CIRES	Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences
CLASS	Comprehensive Large Array-data Stewardship System
CLW	Cloud Liquid Water



СМ	Configuration Management
СМС	Canadian Meteorological Center
COSMOS	COsmic-ray Soil Moisture Observing System
CPC	Climate Prediction Center
CPU	Central Processing Unit
CRTM	Community Radiative Transfer Model
CTR	Code Test Review
DAP	Delivered Algorithm Package
DDS	Data Distribution Server
DPCA	Double Principal Components Analysis
ECMWF	European Center for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts
EDR	Environmental Data Record
EIA	Earth Incidence Angle
EMC	Environmental Modeling Center
EPL	Enterprise Product Lifecycle
ESPC	Environmental Satellite Processing Center
ESPDS	Environmental Satellite Processing and Distribution Services
ESRL	Earth System Research Laboratory



EUM	External Users Manual
EUMETSAT	European Organization for the Exploitation Meteorological Satellites
FNMOC	Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center
FOV	Field of View
GAASP	GCOM-W1 AMSR2 Algorithm Software Processor
GB	Gigabyte
GCOM	Global Change Observation Mission
GDAS	Global Data Assimilation System
GEOSS	Global Earth Observation System of Systems
GFS	Global Forecast System
GHRSST	Group for High Resolution Sea Surface Temperature
GMAO	Global Modeling and Assimilation Office
GMT	Greenwich Mean Time
GPROF	Goddard Profiling algorithm
GRIB	Gridded Binary format
GRIB2	Gridded Binary format (version 2)



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HCS	Horizontal Cell Size
IASI	Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer
IDPS	Interface Data Processing Segment
IGBP	International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme
IMS	Interactive Multisensor Snow and Ice Mapping System
IPT	Integrated Product Team
JAXA	Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency
JCSDA	Joint Center for Satellite Data Assimilation
JPSS	Joint Polar Satellite System
KSAT	Kongsberg Satellite Services
MBT	Microwave Brightness Temperature
MIRS	Microwave Integrated Retrieval System
MMAB	Marine Modeling and Analysis Branch
MODIS	Moderate-resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer
N4RT	NetCDF4 Reformatting Toolkit
NDE	NPOESS Data Exploitation



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NDVI	Normalized Difference Vegetation Index
NGDC	National Geophysical Data Center
NCEI	National Centers for Environmental Information
NCEP	National Center for Environmental Prediction
NESDIS	National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service
netCDF4	network Common Data Format version 4
NHC	National Hurricane Center
NIC	National Ice Center
NJO	NOAA JPSS Office
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPOESS	National Polar-orbiting Operational Environmental Satellite System
NRL	Naval Research Lab
NRT	Near Real-Time
NSIDC	National Snow and Ice Data Center
NSOF	NOAA Satellite Operations Facility
NT2	NASA Team 2



NUCAPS	NOAA Unique CrIS/ATMS Product System
NWP	Numerical Weather Prediction
NWS	National Weather Service
NWSFO	National Weather Service Forecast Office
OAR	Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research
OSGS	Office of Satellite Ground Services
OSPO	Office of Satellite and Product Operations
OSTIA	Operational Sea Surface Temperature and Sea Ice Analysis
PCF	Production Control File
PDF	Probability Density Function
PDR	Preliminary Design Review
PSF	Production Status File
PT/R	Precipitation Type/Rate
QA	Quality Assurance
QC	Quality Control
RAD	Requirements Allocation Document



RDR	Raw Data Record
RFI	Radio Frequency Interference
RID	Review Item Disposition
RSS	Remote Sensing Systems
RTM	Radiative Transfer Model
SA	Submission Agreement
SAB	Satellite Analysis Branch
SAN	Storage Area Network
SAR	Synthetic Aperture Radar
SCAN	Soil Climate Analysis Network
SC/D	Snow Cover/Depth
SCR	Software Code Review
SDR	Sensor Data Record
SIC	Sea Ice Characterization
SM	Soil Moisture



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SMCD	Satellite Meteorology and Climate Division
SMM	System Maintenance Manual
SMOPS	Soil Moisture Operational Products System
SOW	Statement of Work
SPSRB	Satellite Products and Services Review Board
SSMI	Special Sensor Microwave/Imager
SSMI/S	Special Sensor Microwave Imager/Sounder
SSS	Sea Surface Salinity
SST	Sea Surface Temperature
SSW	Sea Surface Winds
STAR	Center for Satellite Applications and Research
SWE	Snow Water Equivalent
Tb	Temperature brightness
ТВ	Terabyte
TBD	To Be Determined
ТМІ	TRMM Microwave Imager
TPW	Total Precipitable Water



TRMM	Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission
UCAR	University Corporation for Atmospheric Research
USCRN	U.S. Climate Reference Network
UTC	Universal Time Coordinated
VIIRS	Visible Infrared Imager Radiometer Suite
V & V	Validation and Verification
WMO	World Meteorological Organization
WSPD	Wind Speed