



# **Total Ozone Analysis** from **Stratospheric and Tropospheric** **(TOAST)** **Satellite Sources**

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# TOAST Blended Product Team



## Algorithm Team Members

Role	Name	Organization	Task
Lead	Lawrence Flynn	NOAA/NESDIS/STAR	Manage development resources
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Implementer	Venkata Rao Anne	OSPO/PSGS	Operational processing and monitoring
Support	Eric Beach	STAR/IMSG	Data management



# Input Needs for the TOAST Algorithm



## Required Satellite Data Products

	<b>Data Product Name (Inputs)</b>	<b>Input Data Type (Satellite/Model Forecasts/<i>In-situ</i>)</b>	<b>Temporal/Spatial Resolution, Format</b>	<b>Source(s)</b>
1	V8Pro or V2Limb	NOAA-19 SBUV/2 PMF S-NPP/NOAA-20 OMPS EDRs S-NPP OMPS EDRs	Daily PMF Daily NetCDF Daily NetCDF	OSPO NDE NDE
2	NUCAPS Ozone	S-NPP/NOAA-20 CrIS EDRs MetOP-A,-B,-C IASI EDRs	Daily NetCDF Daily NetCDF	NDE NDE
3	TOVS Ozone	Metop-A HIRS EDRs	Daily	NDE

NDE products are in granules with approximately 1100 per day for OMPS



# Blended Product Development

## {Product Name} Technical Approach



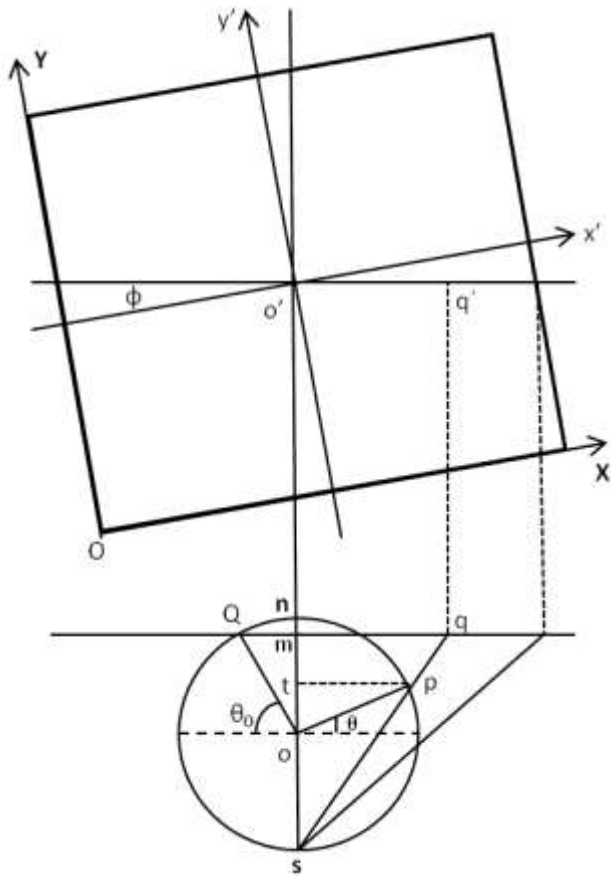
1. Blended Product Algorithm Description
2. Technical Approach
  - Methods of Bracketing – daily data from 180 E to 180 W
  - Quality Control Methods – need for improvements
  - Calibration – single input for each piece
  - Geo-location Tests – from input product Geolocation
  - Gap Handling – persistence with distance weighting
  - Handling Duplicates – infrequent, duplicates are double weighted



# TOAST objective analysis



- **Basic consideration:**
  1. IR obs. possess higher sensitivity to tropospheric ozone.
  2. UV obs. possess higher sensitivity to stratospheric ozone
  3. Combining the IR and UV retrieved  $O_3$  may increase the total column  $O_3$  accuracy.
  4. Use analysis to fill in the UV observation gaps.
- **Basic procedures:**
  1. Convert IR and UV  $O_3$  pressure scale into same pressure scales.
  2. Transform coordinate from geographic into stereographic.
  3. Objective analysis.
  4. Analyzed global ozone data are transformed back to the geographic coordinate with  $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  resolution.



$$X = \cos \theta \cdot \cos \phi \cdot \frac{\sin \theta_0 + 1}{\sin \theta + 1} \cdot \frac{Re}{mesh} + \frac{N-1}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$Y = \cos \theta \cdot \sin \phi \cdot \frac{\sin \theta_0 + 1}{\sin \theta + 1} \cdot \frac{Re}{mesh} + \frac{N-1}{2} \quad (2)$$

mesh=24,384/(N-1) km,  $\theta_0=60^\circ$ ; N is mesh grid number;  
For CrIS N=245; for OMPS N=65

Fig 1. Coordinate transformation from geographic to Stereographic.

$$C = WE \quad (3)$$

$$W = \frac{R^2 - d^2}{R^2 + d^2} \quad (4)$$

Any initial value on the grid within radius R of a measurement point A will be corrected by a weighted sum, where E is the difference between the observation and the initial value and W is the weighting factor.

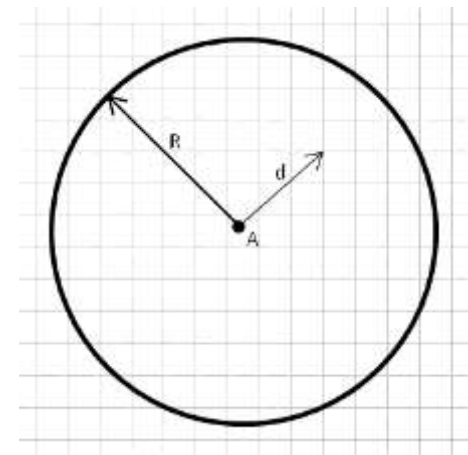
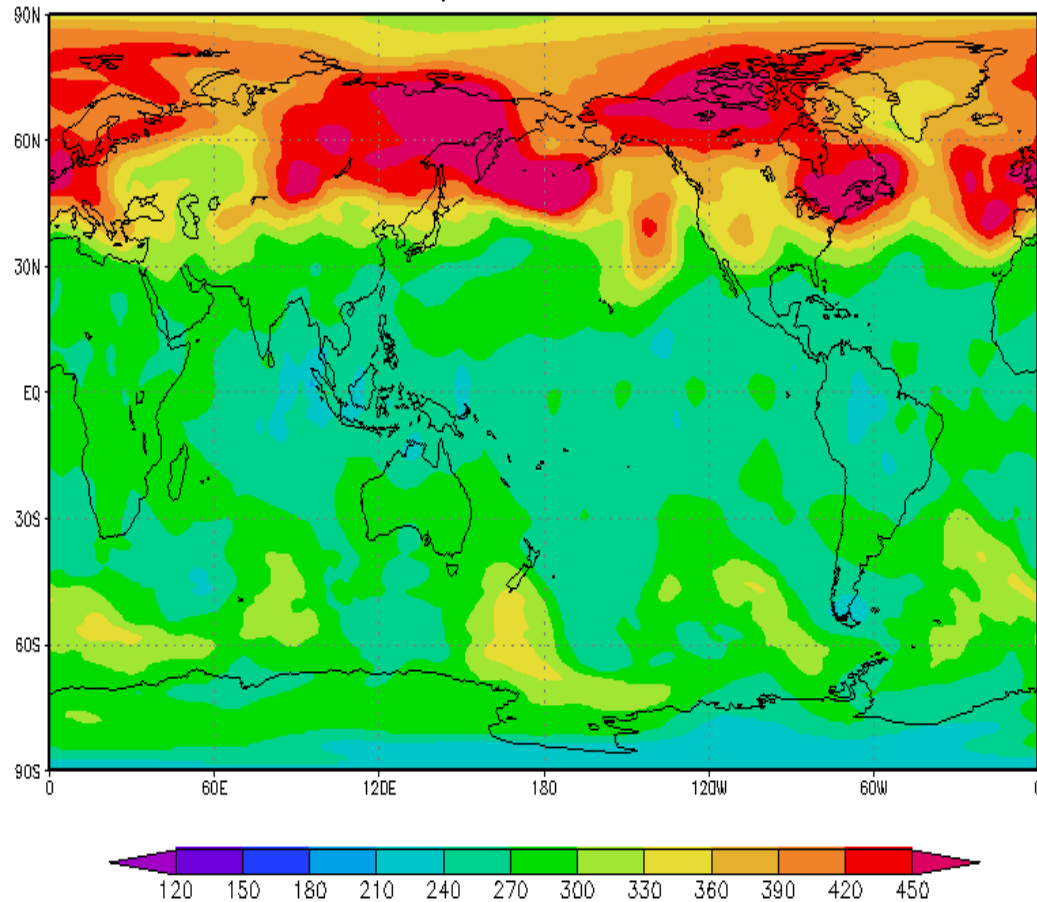


Fig 2. scheme of objective analysis

# TOAST Description

Global TOAST Analysis on 20130403  
SBUV/2: N19 TOVS: M2

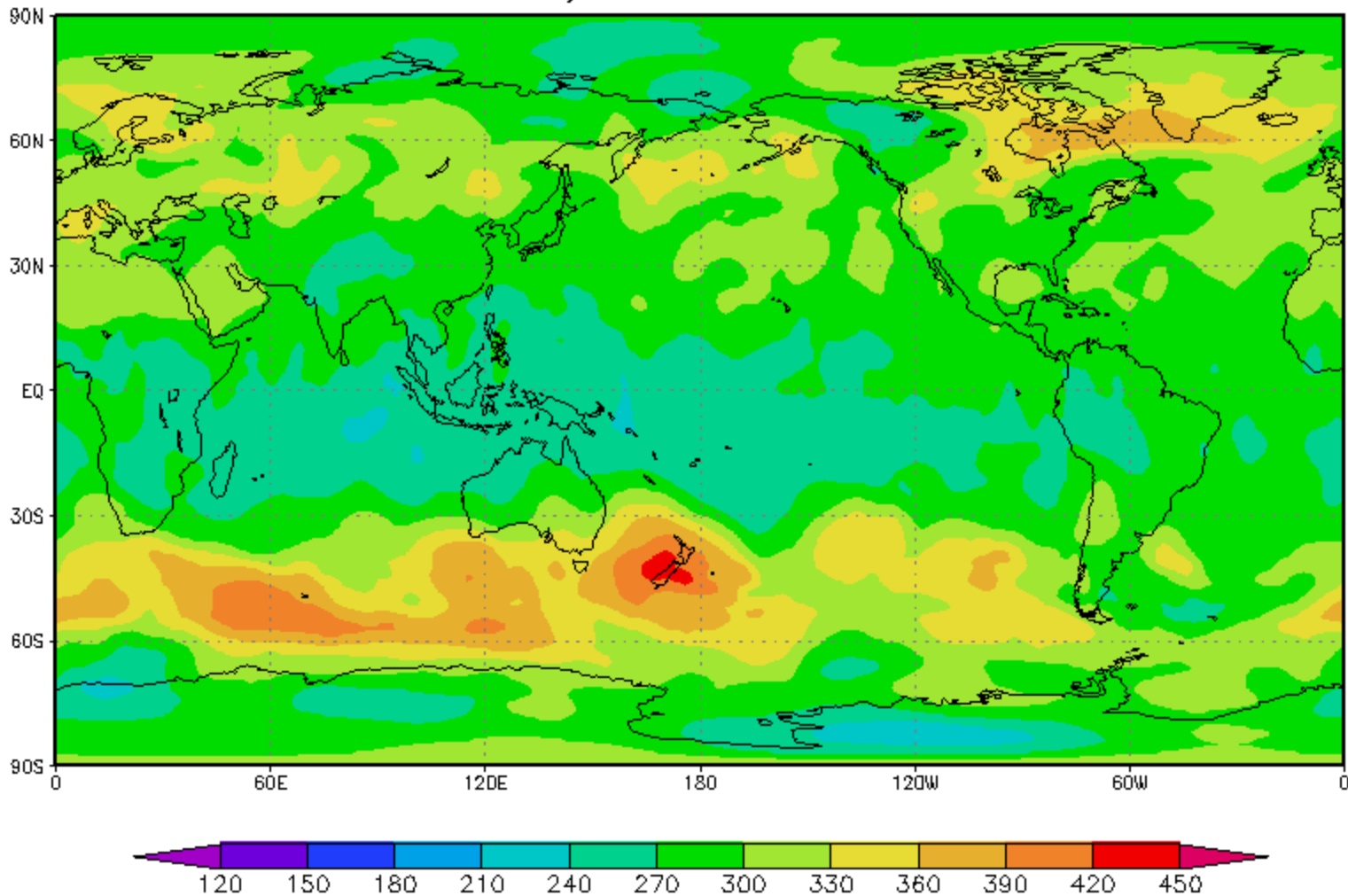


The original TOAST is a total column ozone map generated by combining TOVS tropospheric and lower stratospheric (4 to 23 km) ozone retrievals with SBUV/2 spatially smoothed mid-to-upper stratospheric (24 to 54 km) layer ozone retrievals. In essence, we are replacing TOVS climatology with real-time SBUV/2 measurements in the mid-to-upper stratosphere.



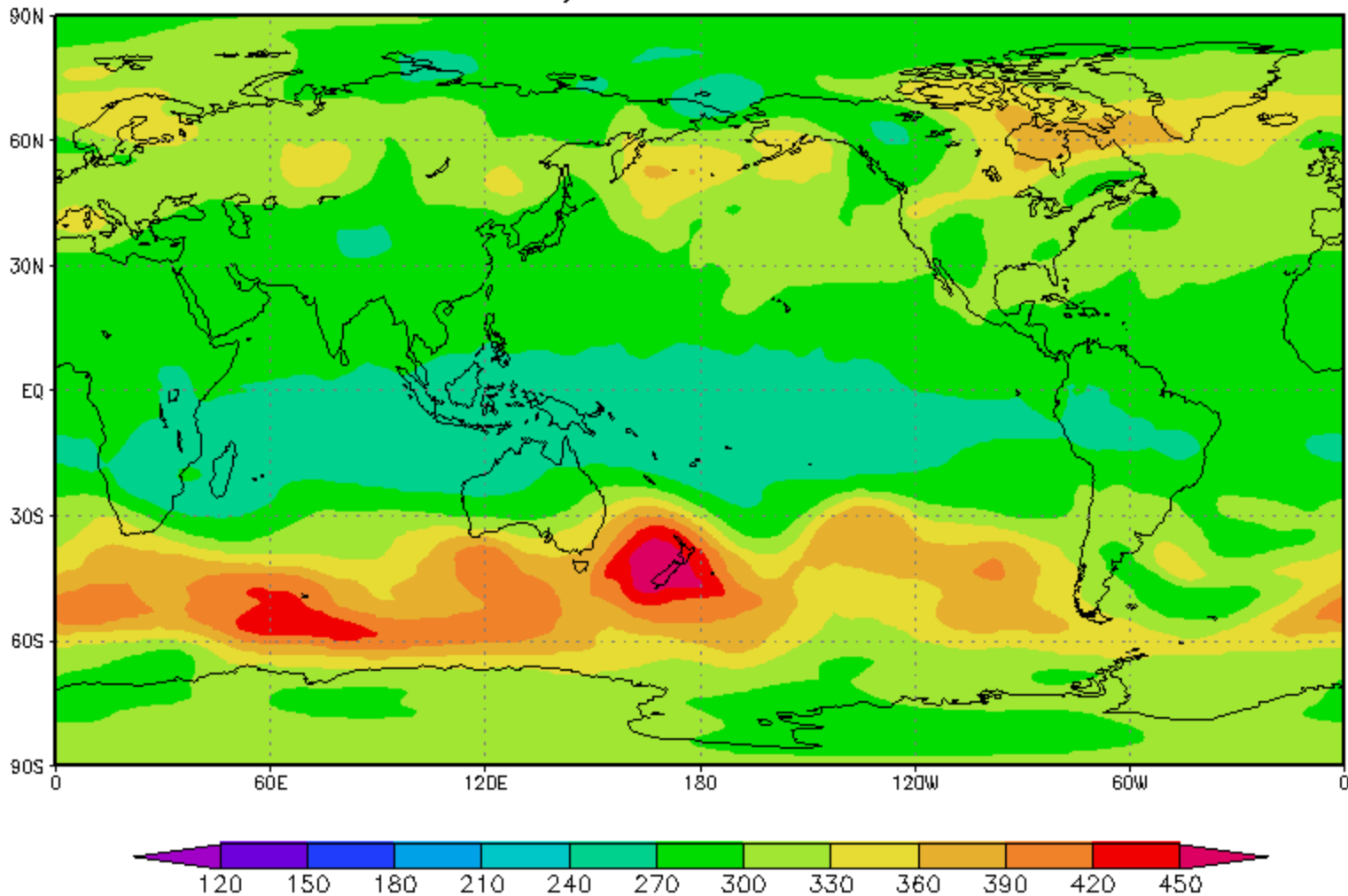
# TOAST (SBUV/2 + HIRS)

Global TOAST Analysis on 20180821  
SBUV/2: N19 TOVS: M1



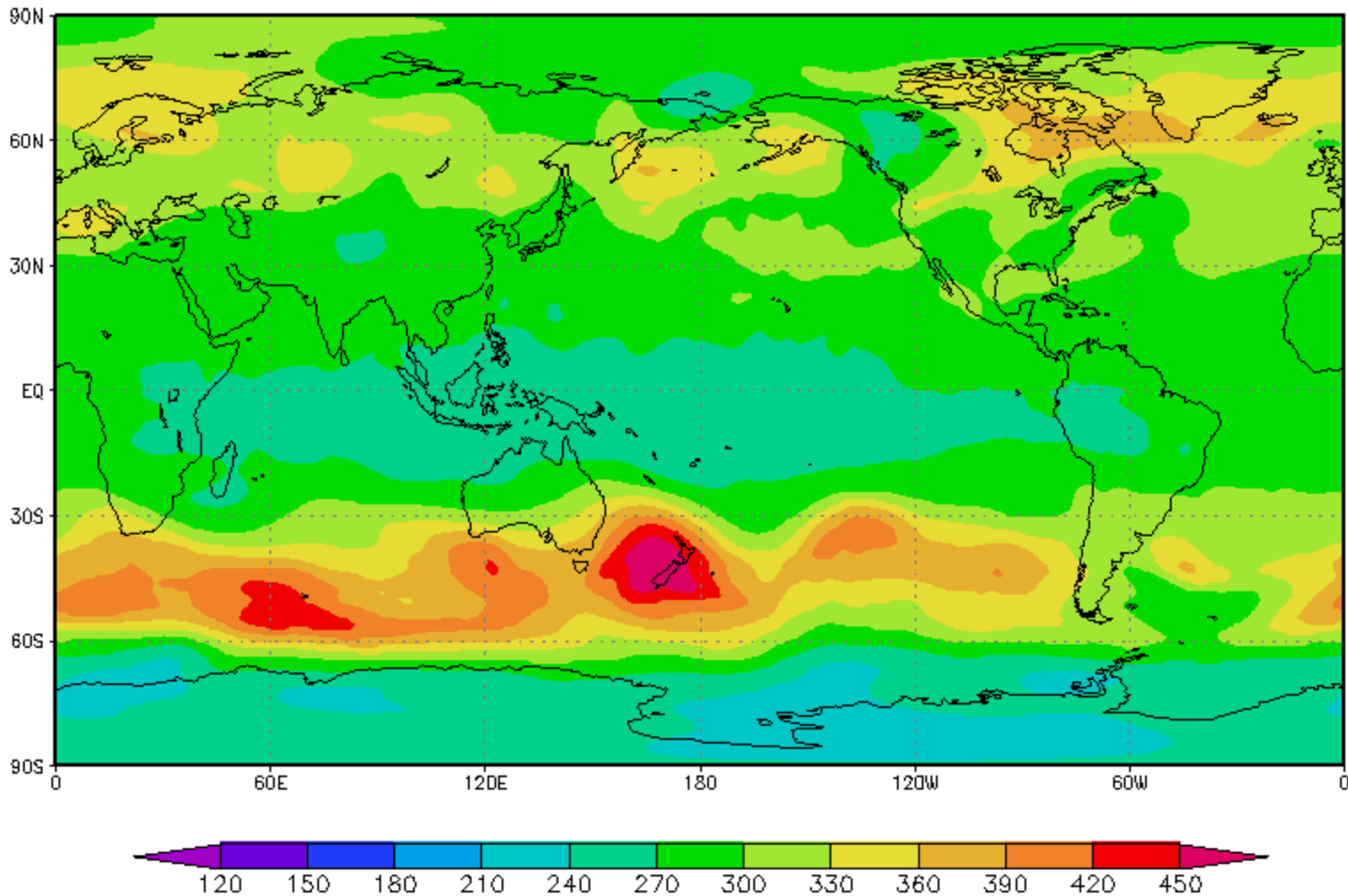
# eTOAST (SBUV/2 + CrIS)

Global TACO Analysis on 20180821  
SBUV/2: N19 CrIS: NPP



# nTOAST (OMPS NP + CrIS)

Global TOAST Analysis on 20180821  
OMPS: SNP, CrIS: SNP



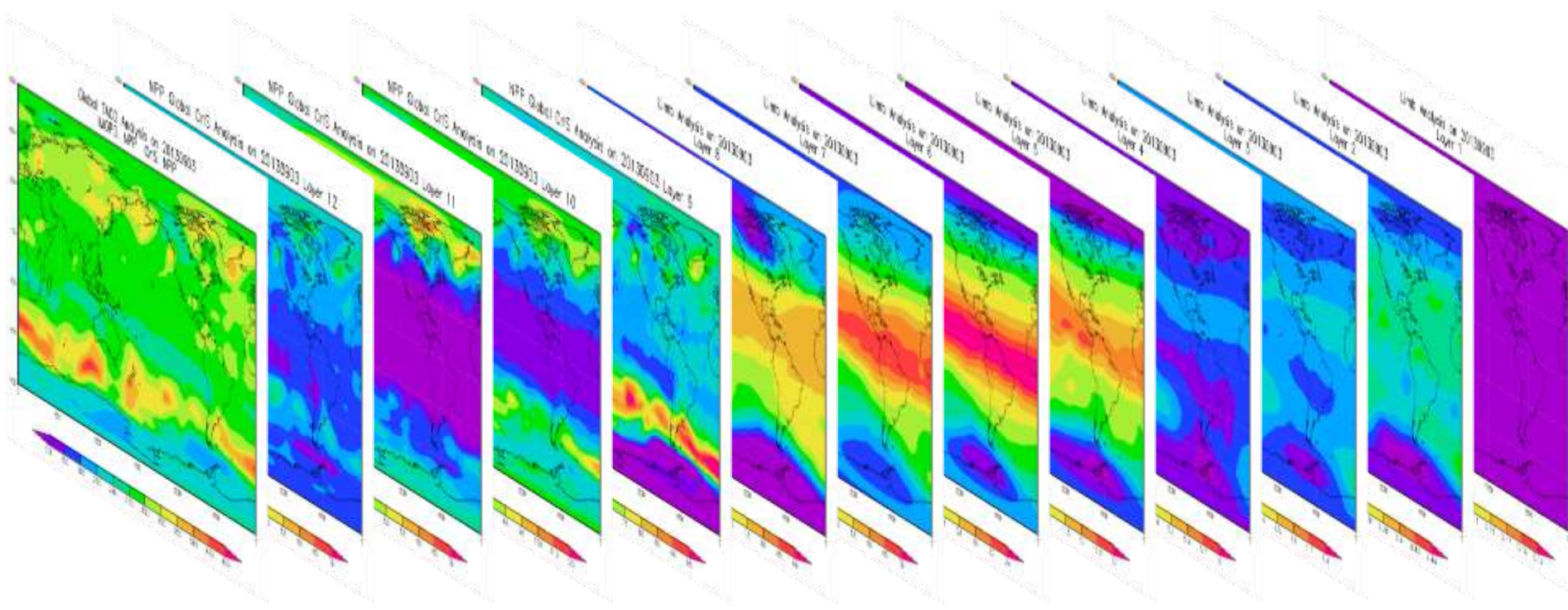


# Blended Product Development Product(s) Examples/Outputs



## Output Data Products

	<b>TOAST (Outputs)</b>	<b>Output Data Type Daily maps of Total Ozone and Ozone Profiles</b>	<b>Spatial, Temporal Resolution, Format</b>
1	TOAST	Total ozone and NOAA-19 SBUV/2 and HIRS layers	1° x 1° Grib, Binary and png
2	eTOAST	Total ozone and NOAA-19 SBUV/2 and NUCAPS	1° x 1° etc.
3	nTOAST	Total ozone and S-NPP/NOAA-20 OMPS-NP and NUCAPS	1° x 1° etc.
4	lTOAST	Total ozone and S-NPP OMPS-LP and NUCAPS	1° x 1° etc.

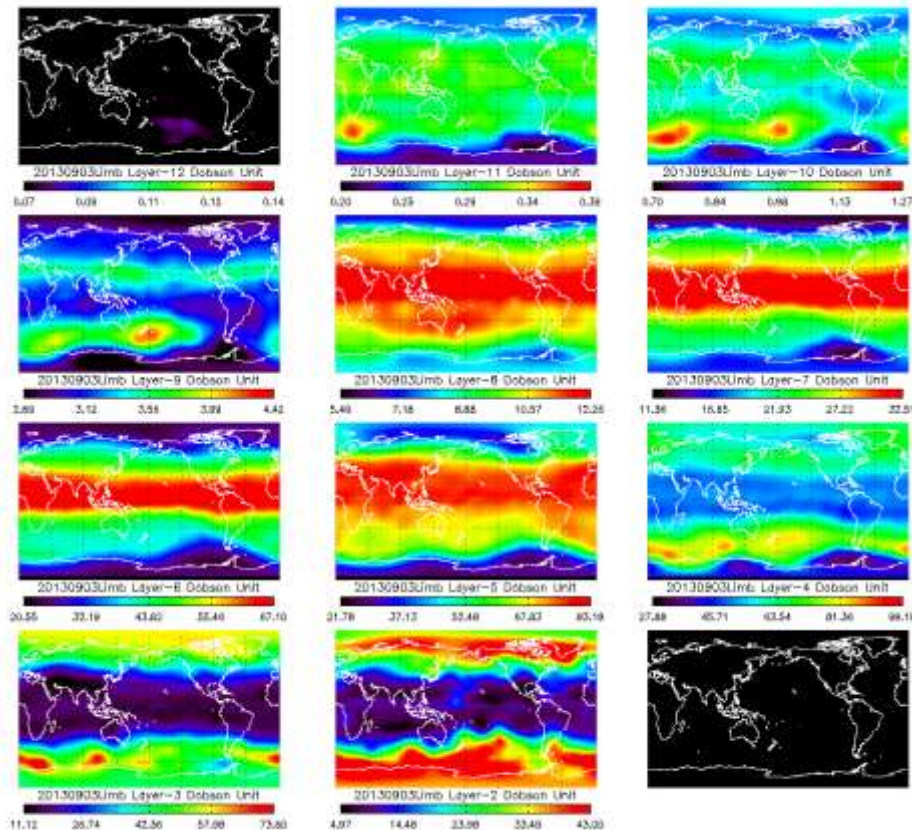
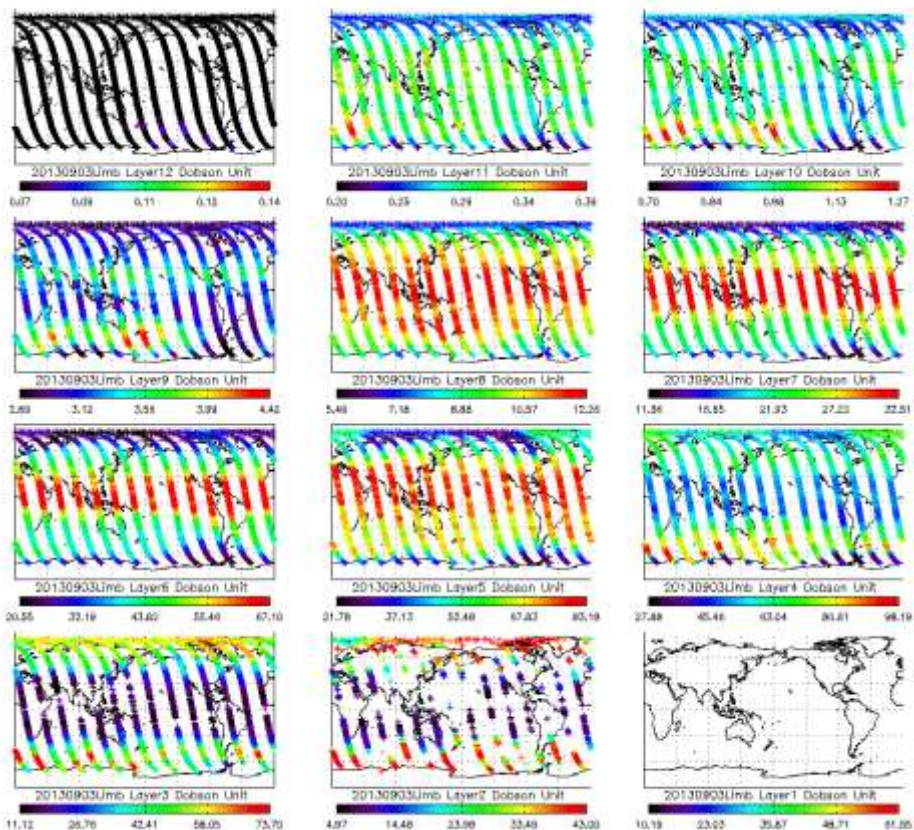


TACO total amount 1013 253 127 63.3 31.7 15.8 7.93 3.96 1.98 0.99 0.5 0.25 mb

**TOAST= CrIS + OMPS /Limb**

- Layer reformed Limb input

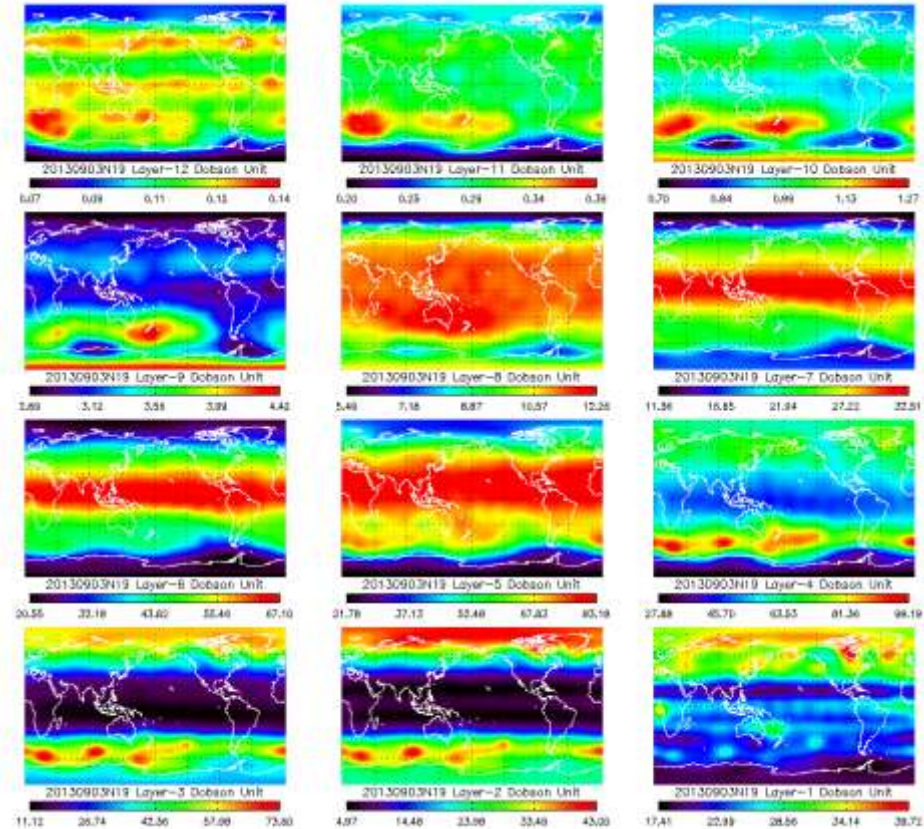
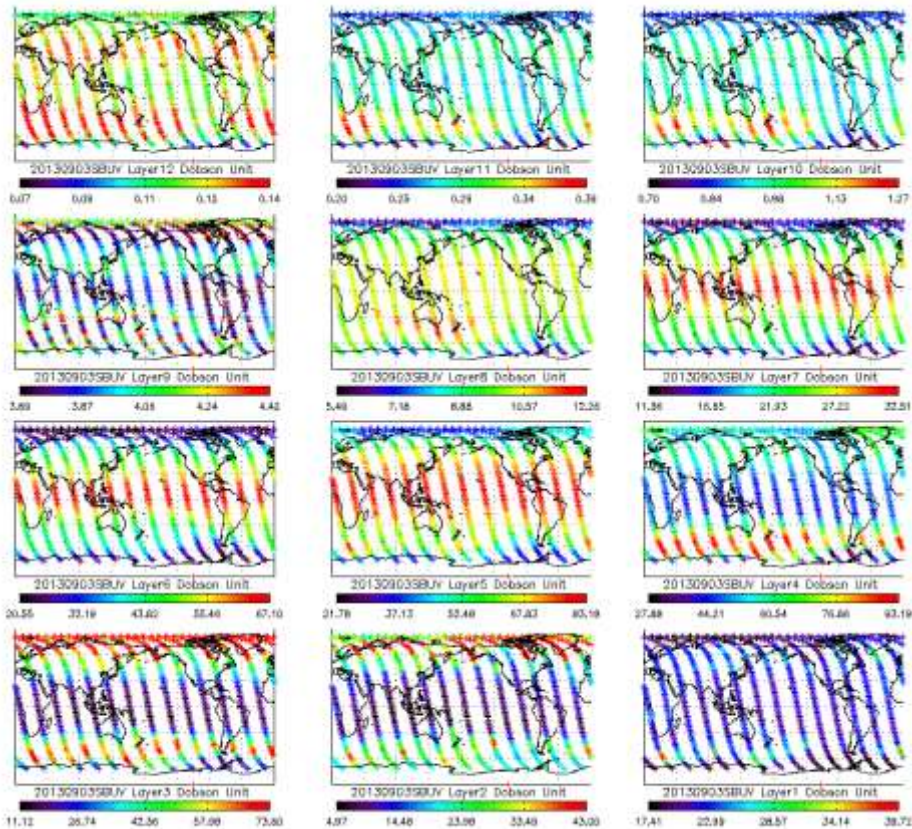
- Limb TOAST analyzed



# SBUV 12-layer vs. analyzed 09-03-2013

- SBUV-2 input

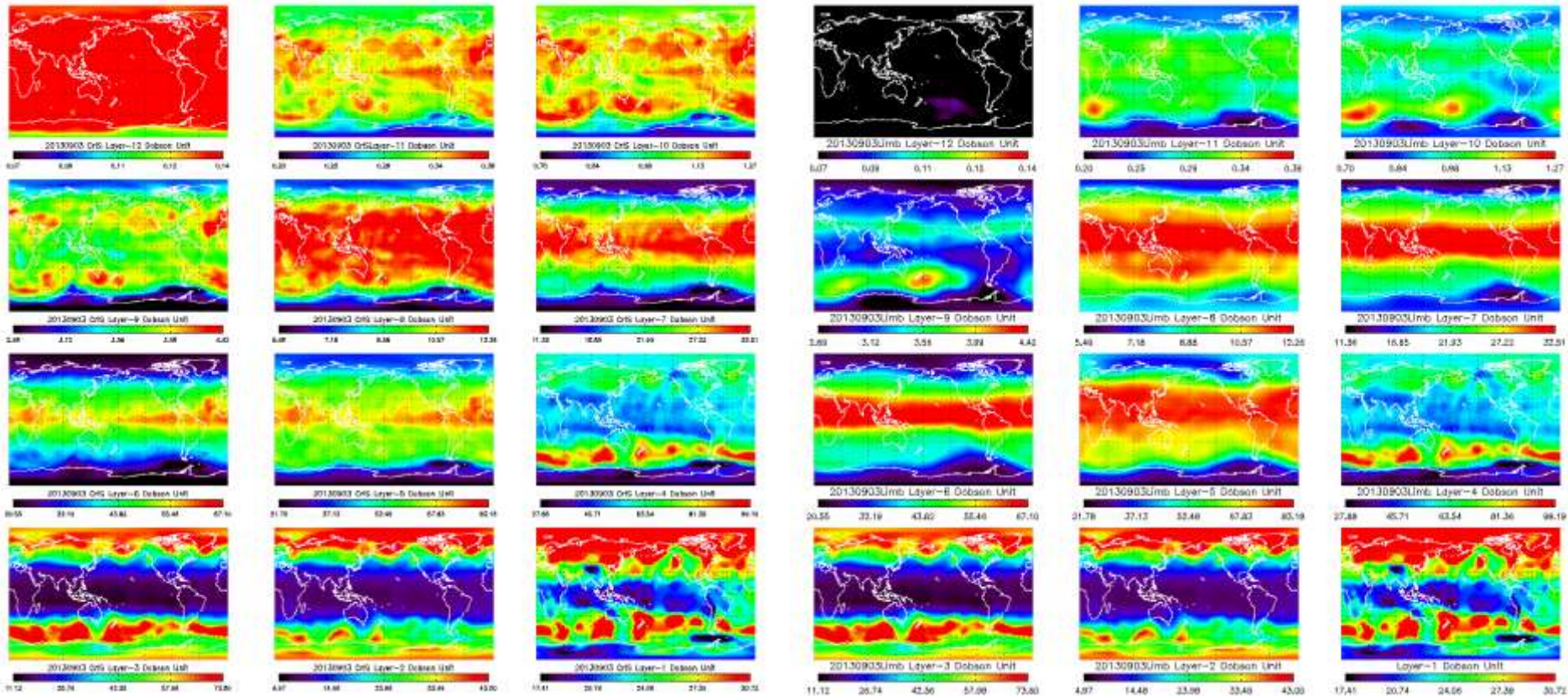
- TOAST SBUV-2 analyzed



# Analyzed 12 Umkehr O<sub>3</sub> layers 09-03-2013

- CrIS

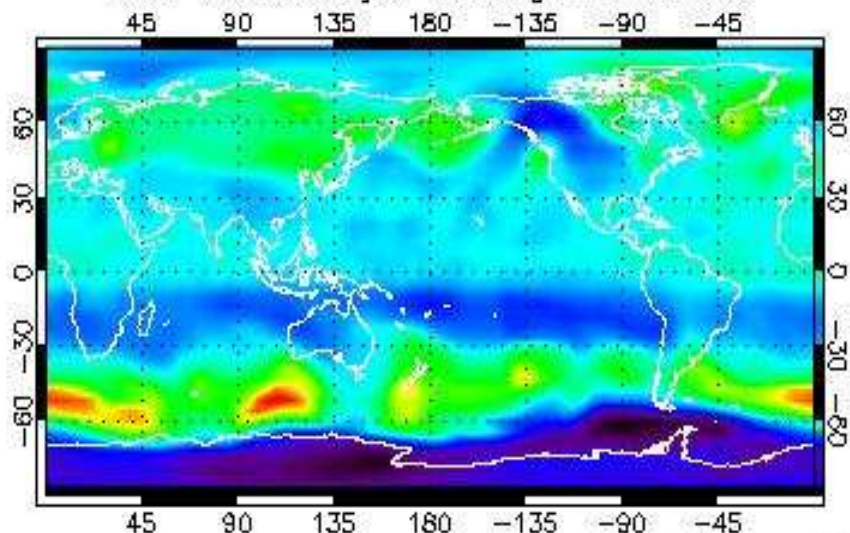
- CrIS + Limb



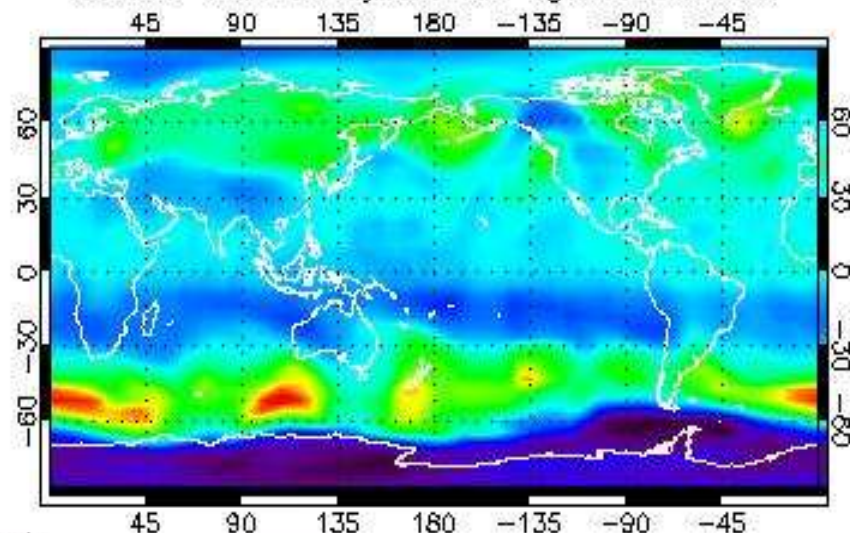


# Comparison of Limb and SBUV/2

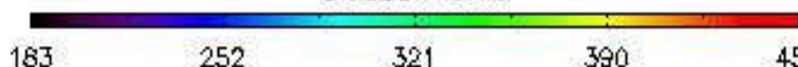
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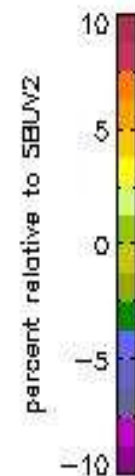
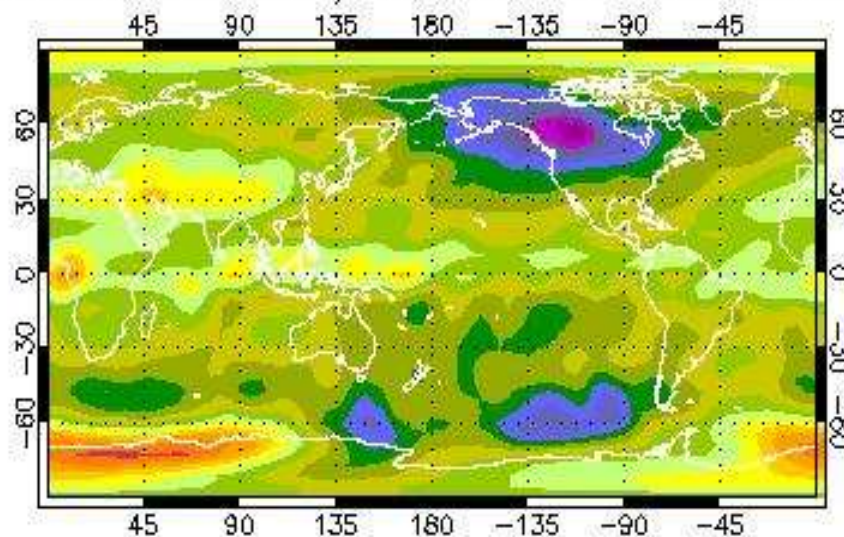
SBUV2-TOAST analyzed total O<sub>3</sub> at 20130903



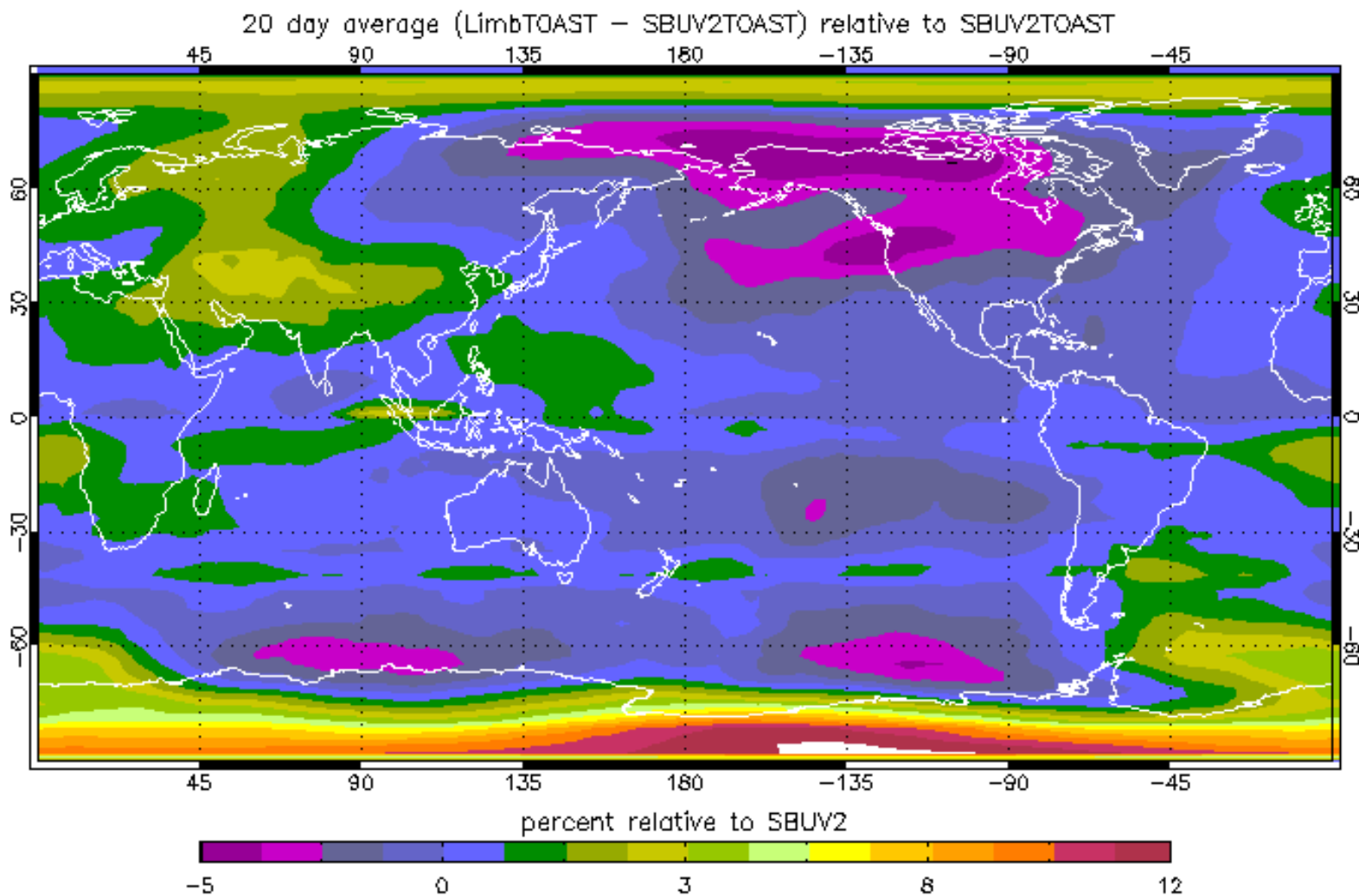
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(LimbTOAST - SBUV2TOAST) relative to SBUV2TOAST at 20130903



# 20-day average of the relative differences to current version from 09-03-2013 to 09-22-2013





# Blended Product Development

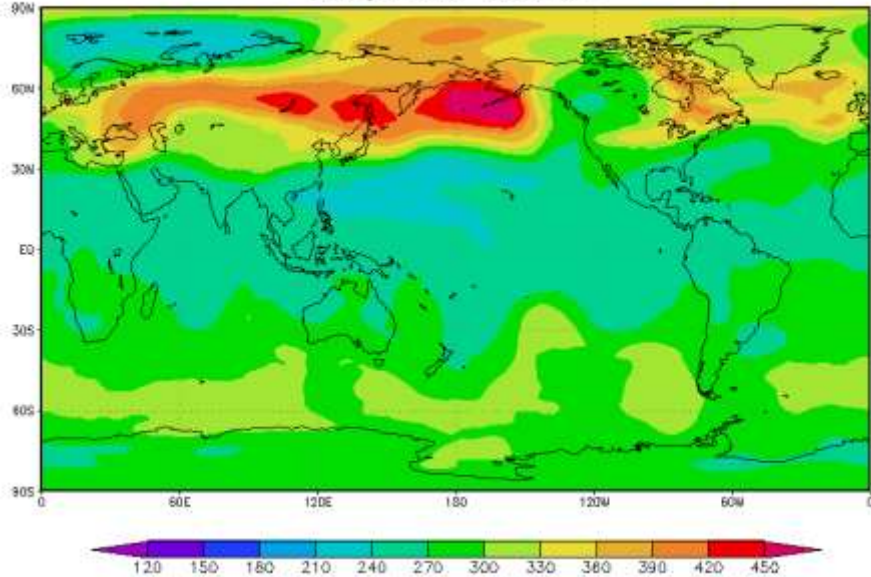
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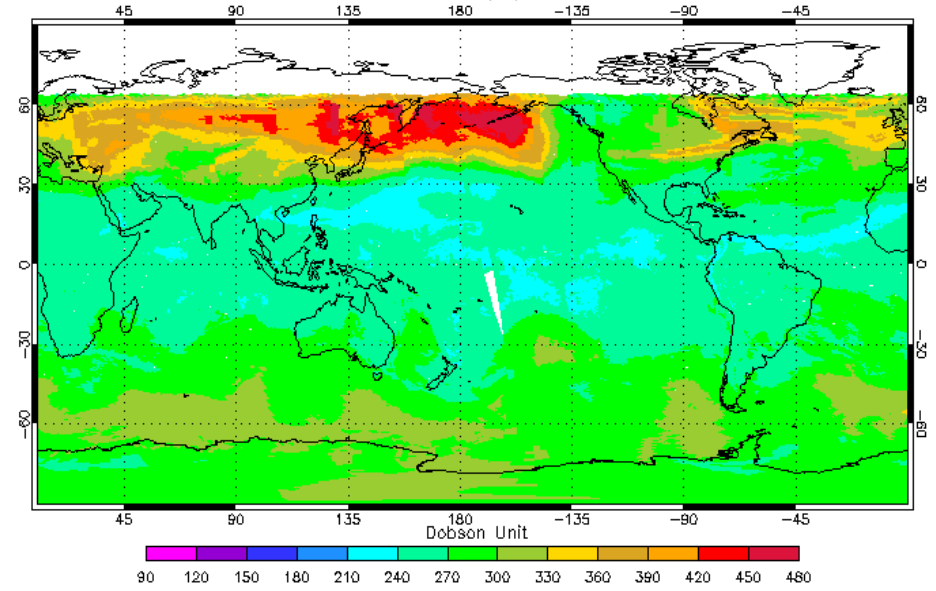
- Product Evaluation/Validation
  - Compared to individual components and their validation.
  - Compared to sunlit Earth from Daily UV Mappers.
- Defined Quality Flags
  - Need to determine how to show where data was updated.

# eTOAST versus S-NPP OMPS V8TOZ for January 1, 2016

Global TACO Analysis on 2016001  
SBUV/2: N19 CrIS: NPP



OMPS V8TOZ O3 (DU) 2016001



- Provide a list of identified risks/issues/mitigations and any examples identifying artifacts.

Identified Risk/Issues	Action/Mitigation
NOAA-19's Drifting orbit limits SH coverage for TOAST and eTOAST.	Switch to ITOAST and nTOAST using S-NPP and NOAA-20 OMPS products.
Final products do not have flags to show where recent data was available for analysis.	Consider creating maps showing where components were updated.
Product screening for OMPS products does not use error flag information.	Modify code to screen input to only use error flag values of 0, 1, and 10, 11.



# Recent and Future Algorithm Improvements



- Provided code with better handling of Equatorial “boundary”.
- Deliver code with better error flag handling for OMPS.
- Deliver code to read in NetCDF version of Limb Profile products.
- Future Validation Plans for ITOAST
  - Comparisons to MLS and SAGE III
  - Comparisons to OMPS NM and TropoMI
  - Provide code with better error flag handling.
- Use stratospheric ozone analysis fields as A Priori to NUCAPS



## Documentation/website links



Toast products can be accessed at the following pages

- <https://www.ospo.noaa.gov/Products/atmosphere/toast/index.html>
- <https://www.ospo.noaa.gov/Products/atmosphere/etoast/index.html>
- <https://www.ospo.noaa.gov/Products/atmosphere/ntoast/index.html>
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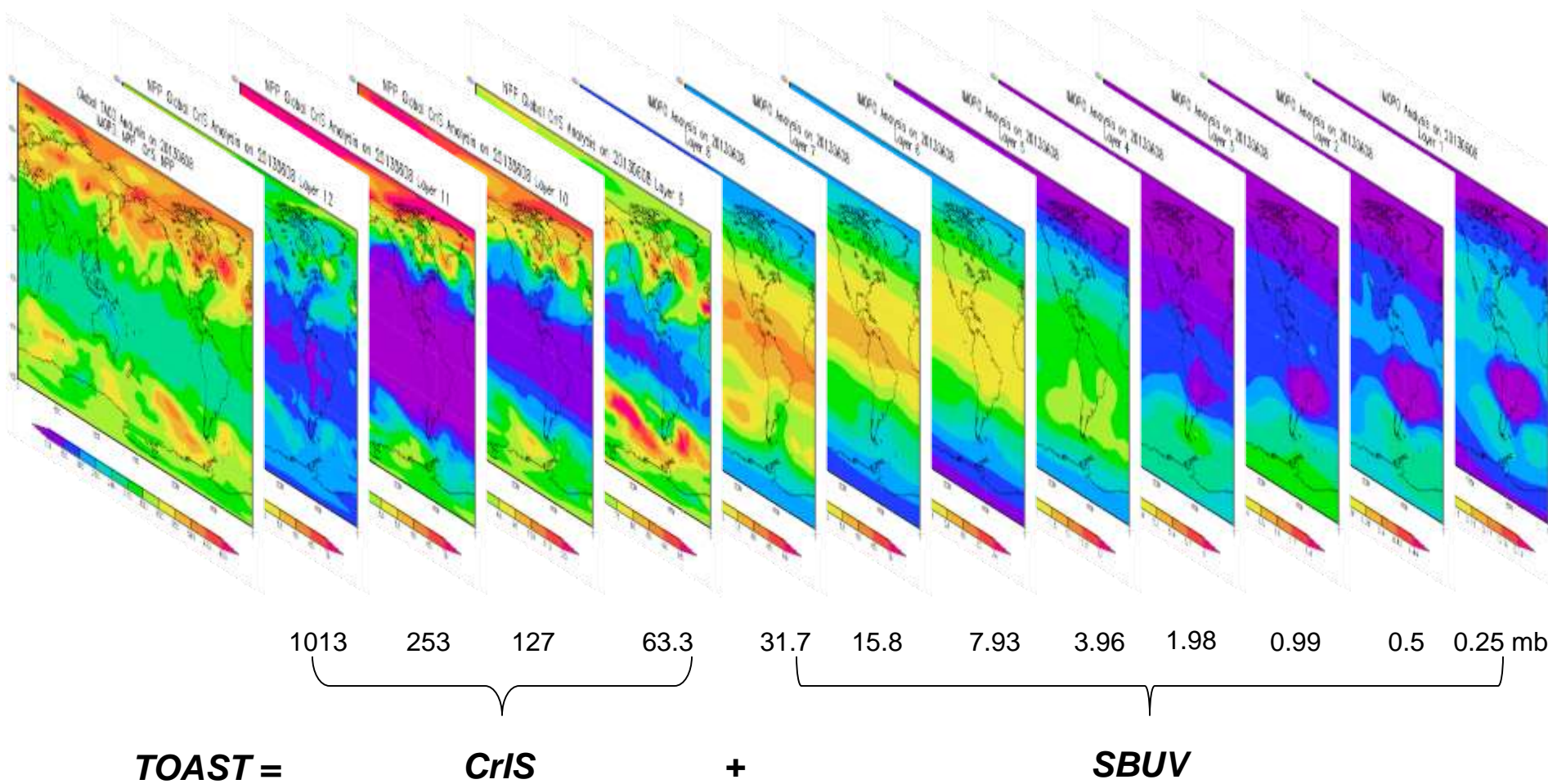


# Backup Slides





# Current operational eTOAST using CrIS and SBUV-2 for June 8, 2013





# Blended Product Development Implementation Status



- eTOAST is operational
- nTOAST will be soon
- ITOAST is awaiting a new delivery and the start of operational processing at NDE.



# Blended Product Development Input Product(s) Requirements



Identify satellite and ancillary data Inputs  
(use additional slides as needed)

Input Data	Resolution	Source
e.g. GFS – T(p), q(p)	0.5 x 0.5 deg; 31 levels	NCEP
e.g. Annual Surface Type	1 km Global	JPSS-VIIRS
e.g. SST	5 km Global	ACSPO



# Blended Product Development

## Output Product(s) Specifications



- Blended Product Name: **{SST}**
- Output Data Type(s): {S-NPP/NOAA-20/GOES-16}
- If your blended product algorithm produces more than one output product, use additional slides as required.

Output Product(s) Attributes	Threshold	Observed/validated
Latency		
Geographic coverage		
Vertical Coverage		
Vertical Cell Size		
Horizontal Cell Size		
Mapping Uncertainty		
Measurement Range		
Measurement Accuracy		
Measurement Precision		
Measurement Uncertainty		



# Blended Product Development Quality Flags



- Defined Quality Flag(s)
  - Variable, description, value, verification

Quality Flag	Description	Value



# Blended Product Development Implementation Status



- Discuss current status of implementation including the availability in AWIPS or alternatives.
- Algorithm version/LUTs
- Processing environment and resources required for implementation or porting.
- Future plans on implementations including AWIPS or alternatives



# Importance/Benefits/Users



- Product Importance/Benefits/Users
- PGRR/PGI Activities

Name	Organization	Application	User Feedback - User readiness dates for ingest of data and bringing data to operations



## Documentation/website links



- Provide website links for documentation, down-load instructions, etc.



# TOAST TOTAL OZONE MAPS USING CRIS AND OMPS LP PROFILES



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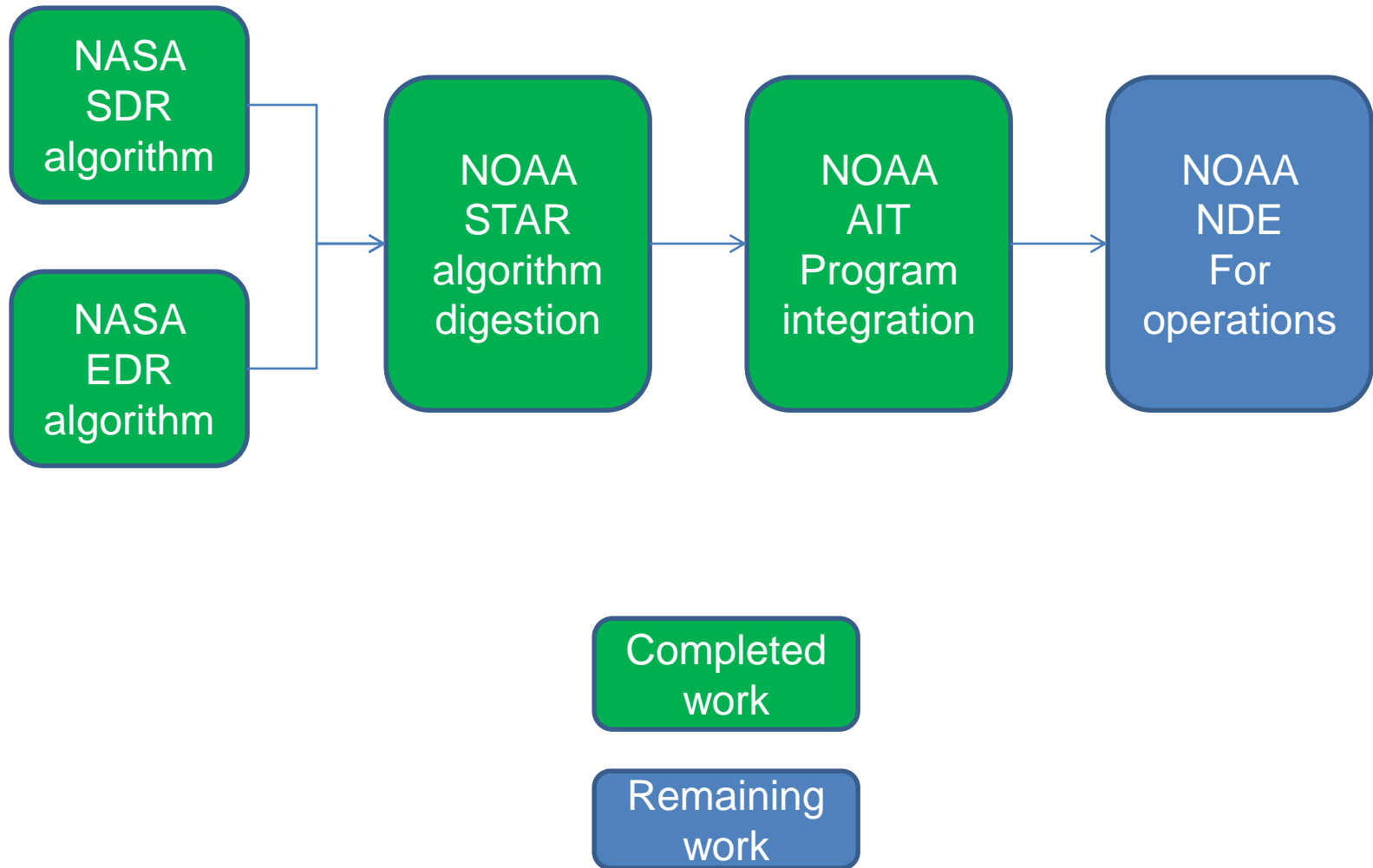
**STAR JPSS Annual Science Team Meeting**  
**August 9, 2016**

- CrIS IR full global day and night profiles
- OMPS NP nadir view vertical profiler
- OMPS NM full daily total ozone for sunlit Earth
- OMPS LP limb view vertical profiles

## The current TOAST was developed in 2014

- **T**otal **O**zone from **A**nalysis of CrIS and SBUV2 in **S**tratosphere and **T**roposphere
- **TOAST** will use CrIS + OMPS NP when OMPS NP is at NDE.
- **TOAST** will use CrIS + OMPS LP when OMPS LP is at NDE.

# Limb processing algorithm status



# What have we achieved?

- OMPS Limb TOAST and SBUV/2 TOAST show similar global patterns and values in the upper layers (comparison need to introduce retrieval averaging kernels).
- Limb analysis algorithm functions well from the comparison of the EDR input and analyzed figures.
- 20 days of total column Ozone analysis have been tested.
- The averaged relative differences show Limb TOAST total analysis has  $\pm 5\%$  differences relative to the current operational version (SBUV/2 TOAST).

## Baseline products:

- 12 layers global  $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  layer VCD  $O_3$  maps
- Eight layers of Limb global  $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  layer VCD maps at pressure level of 31.7, 15.8, 7.93, 3.96, 1.98, 0.99, 0.50, 0.25 mb
- Four layers of CrIS global  $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  layer VCD maps at pressure level of 1013, 253, 127, 63.3 mb.

## Based on operational request we could:

- Provide 21 layer (V8 layers  $\sim 3$ km) the same analyzed maps
- Provide 61 Limb layers of analyzed maps



# Summary

- The TOAST algorithm for CrIS + Limb has been developed and tested using NUCAPS and NASA Limb Profiler daily data products.
- The OMSP Limb Profiler SDR and EDR processing algorithms have been successfully transferred from NASA to NOAA, and have completed code and security review, they are ready for implementation the next builds at NDE.



# Global Biomass Burning Emissions Product (GBBEPx)

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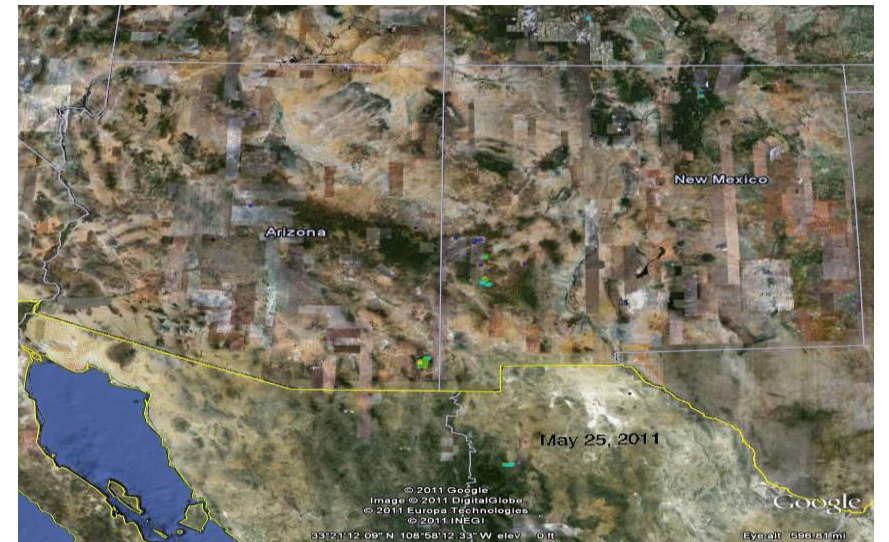
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South Dakota State University

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NOAA/NESDIS OSPO

Funded by JCSDA, G-PSDI, and J-PSDI





# Biomass Burning

- Fires release large amounts of aerosols into the atmosphere that have adverse effects on human health and economy
  - Long range transport of smoke from fires impacts air quality in downwind regions. **Worldwide 250,000 premature deaths per year (Jacobson, JGR, 2014).**
  - Impacts national parks, monuments, and transportation due to reduced visibility.

## ***Ft. McMurray Fire, Canada, May 2016***







# Types of Fires





# Air Quality Predictions

- Numerical models that predict air quality (ozone and PM2.5) need to know where the fires are located, how high is the aerosol loading being emitted, at what height is the plume injection, and the duration of the fire.
- Near real time information from satellites that models need
  - Fire location - **yes**
  - Fire Radiative Power (a proxy to calculate emissions) - **yes**
  - Fire duration (if satellite is in geostationary orbit) - **yes**
  - Plume injection – **no**
  - Aerosol composition - **no**





# Emissions Calculation

$$E_x = FRP \times \beta \times F$$

$$E_{fx} = \beta \cdot \frac{FRP}{A} \cdot F$$

$E_x$ : biomass burning emissions (kg) of species x  
 $S$ : burned area (km<sup>2</sup>)  
 $F$ : emission factors (g/Kg)  
 $\beta$ : a combustion rate per unit energy (KgC/Joules)  
 $A$ : area of the pixel

Emission Factors (g/kg) in computing GBBEP-Geo. LC1-forests, LC2-savanna, LC3-shrublands, LC4-grasslands, LC5-croplands.

	LC1	LC2	LC3	LC4	LC5	Average
PM2.5	12.3	7.35	9.3	5.4	5.8	8.04
CO	106.4	63.5	68	59	111	81.58
OC	7.74	4.6	6.6	2.6	3.3	4.97
BC	0.408	0.435	0.5	0.37	0.69	0.481
SO2	0.89	0.58	0.68	0.48	0.4	0.606
CO2	1586	1704	1716	1692	1537	1647.04
CH4	5.42	2.05	2.6	1.5	6	3.514
NOX	2	3.35	3.9	2.8	3.5	3.11
NMHC	4.9	3.4	3.4	3.4	7	4.42
NH3	2.152	0.845	1.2	0.49	2.3	1.3974



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MODIS (Aqua and Terra) Fire Hot Spots and FRPs



Compute FRPs for each model grid



Daily Emissions for CO, OC, BC, SO<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, NMHC, NH<sub>3</sub>



Satellite specific scaling factors based on MODIS AOD tuning

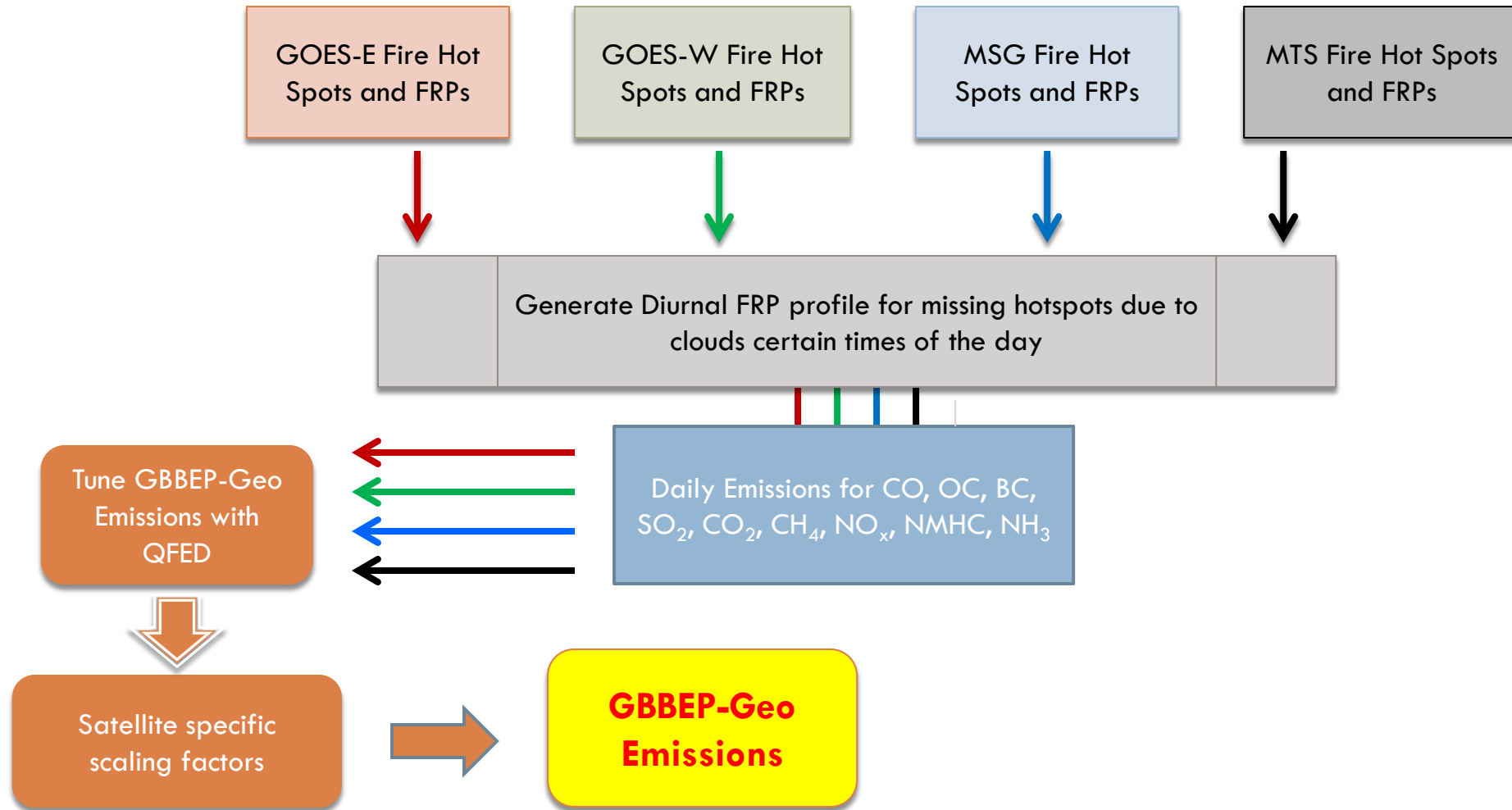


QFED Emissions



# GBBEPx(2)

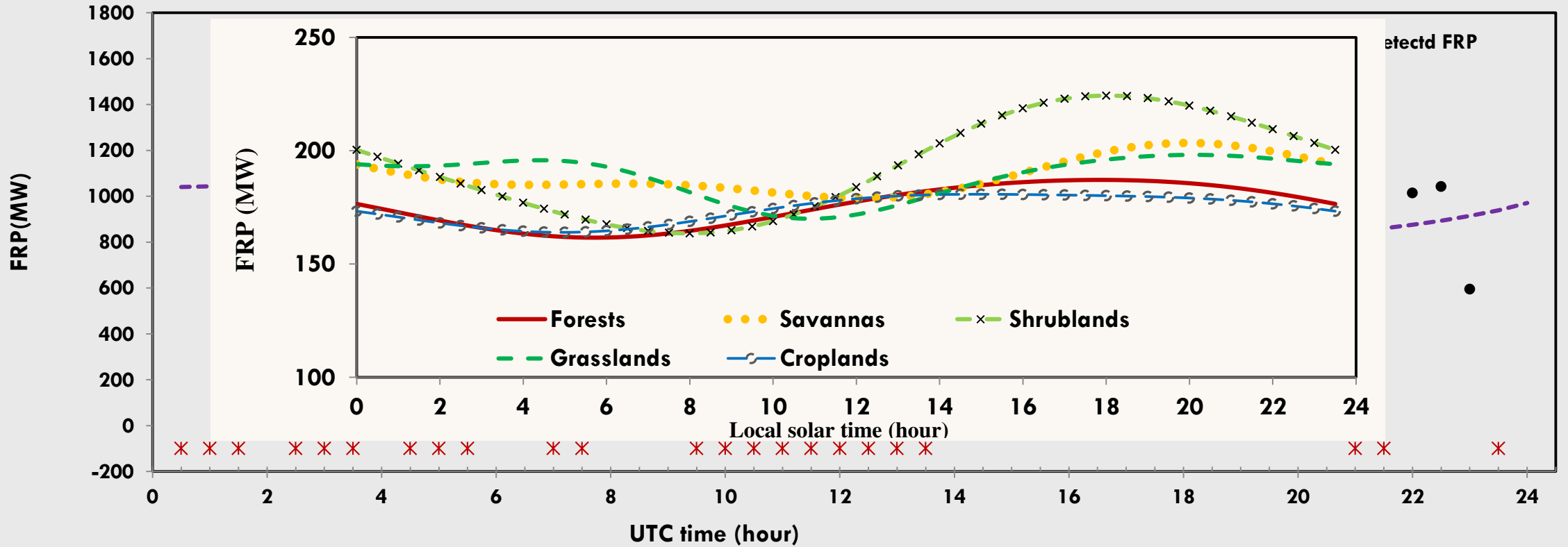
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Generate Diurnal FRP profile for missing hotspots due to clouds certain times of the day

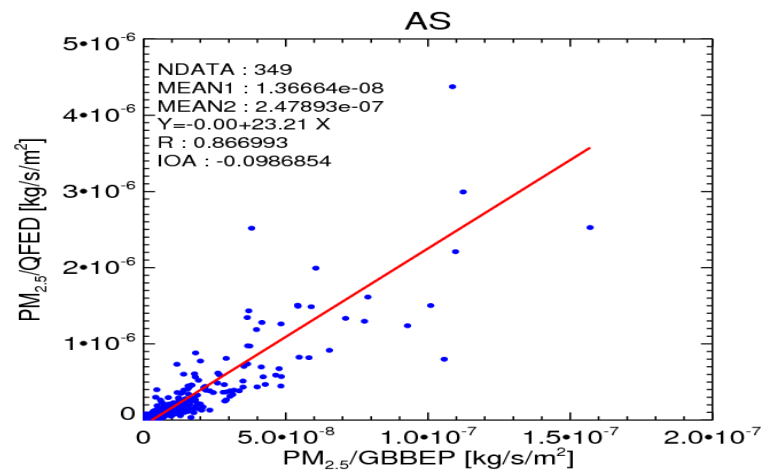
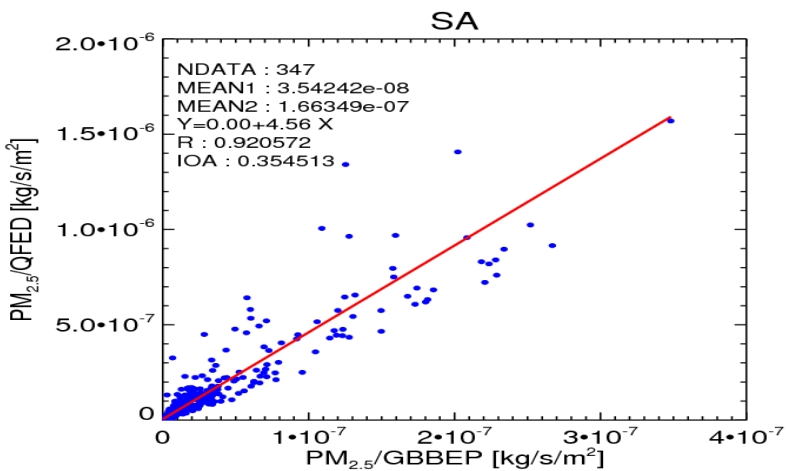
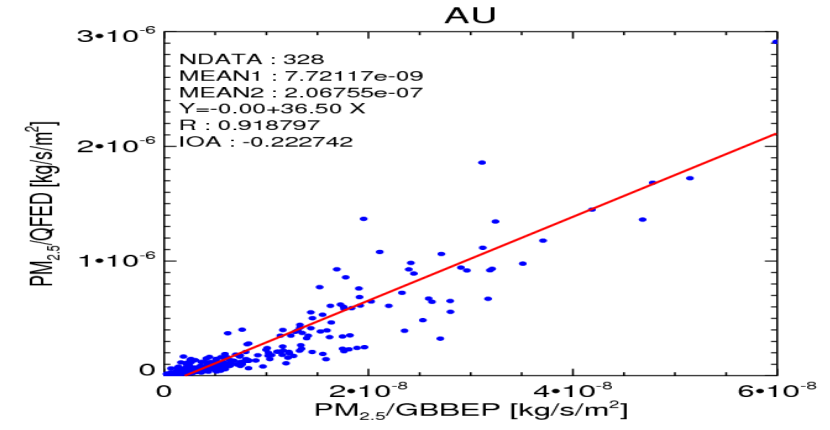
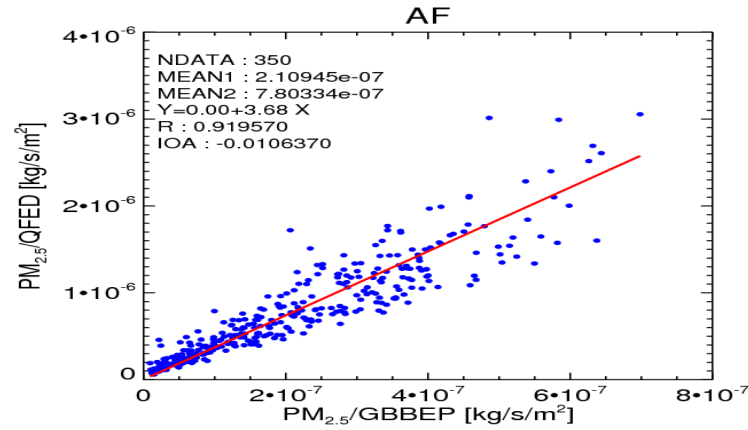
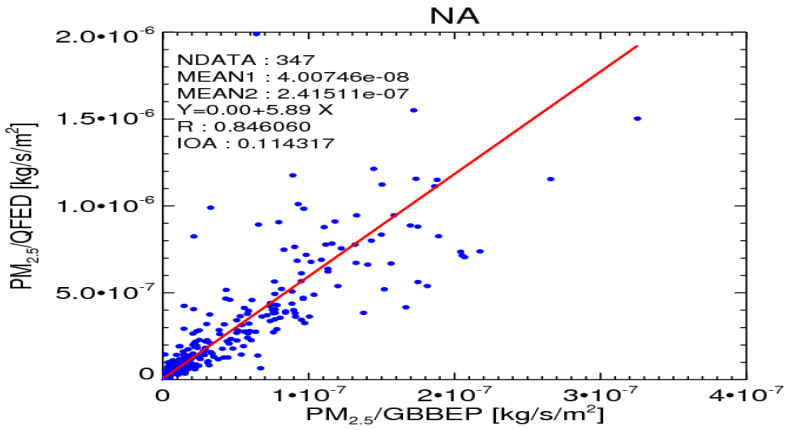
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# GBBEPx(2)

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Tune GBBEP-Geo  
Emissions with  
QFED



Satellite specific  
scaling factors



VIIRS Hot Spots  
and FRPs

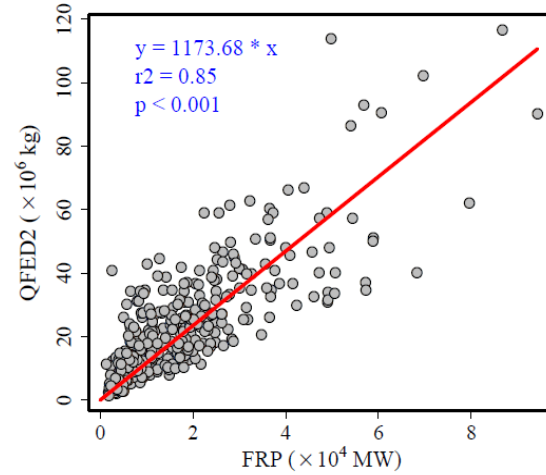


Regress VIIRS FRPs with  
QFED Emissions

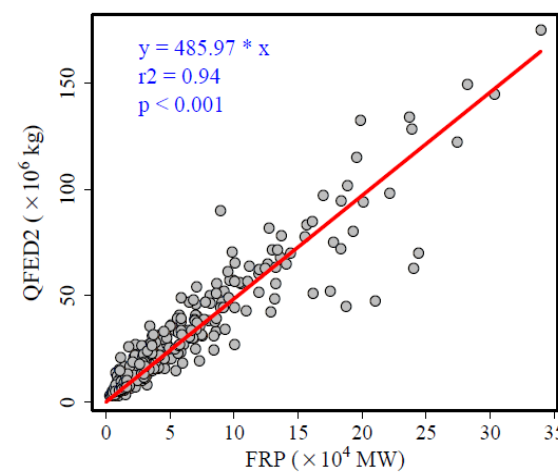


Daily Emissions for CO, OC,  
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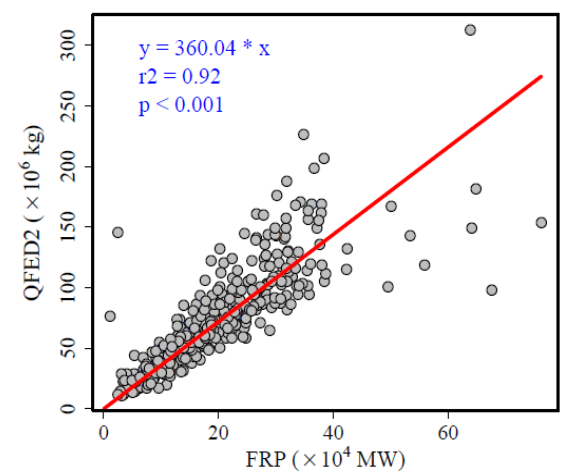
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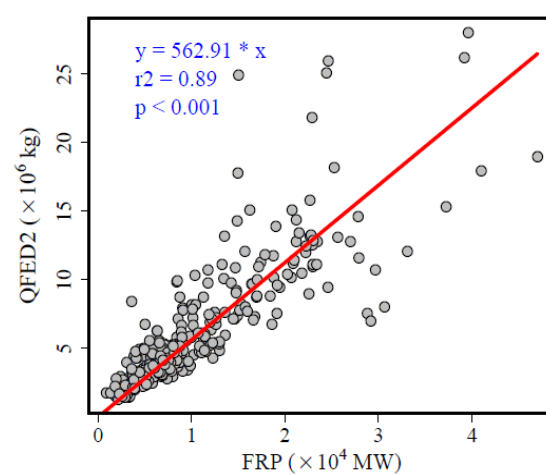
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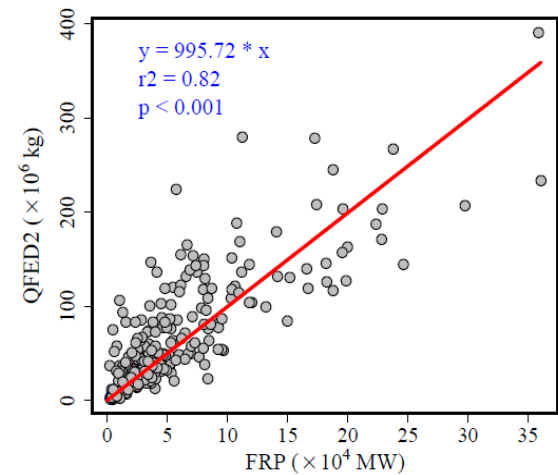
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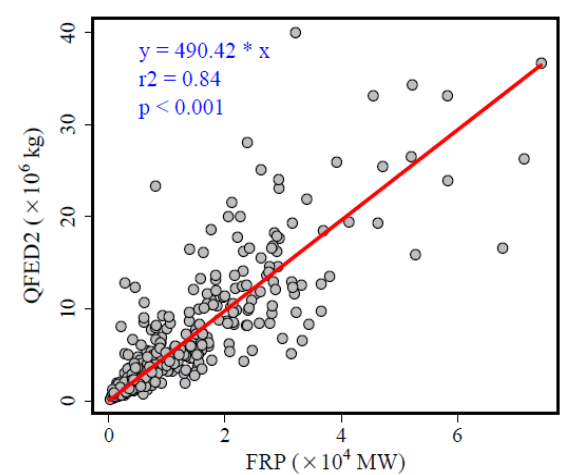
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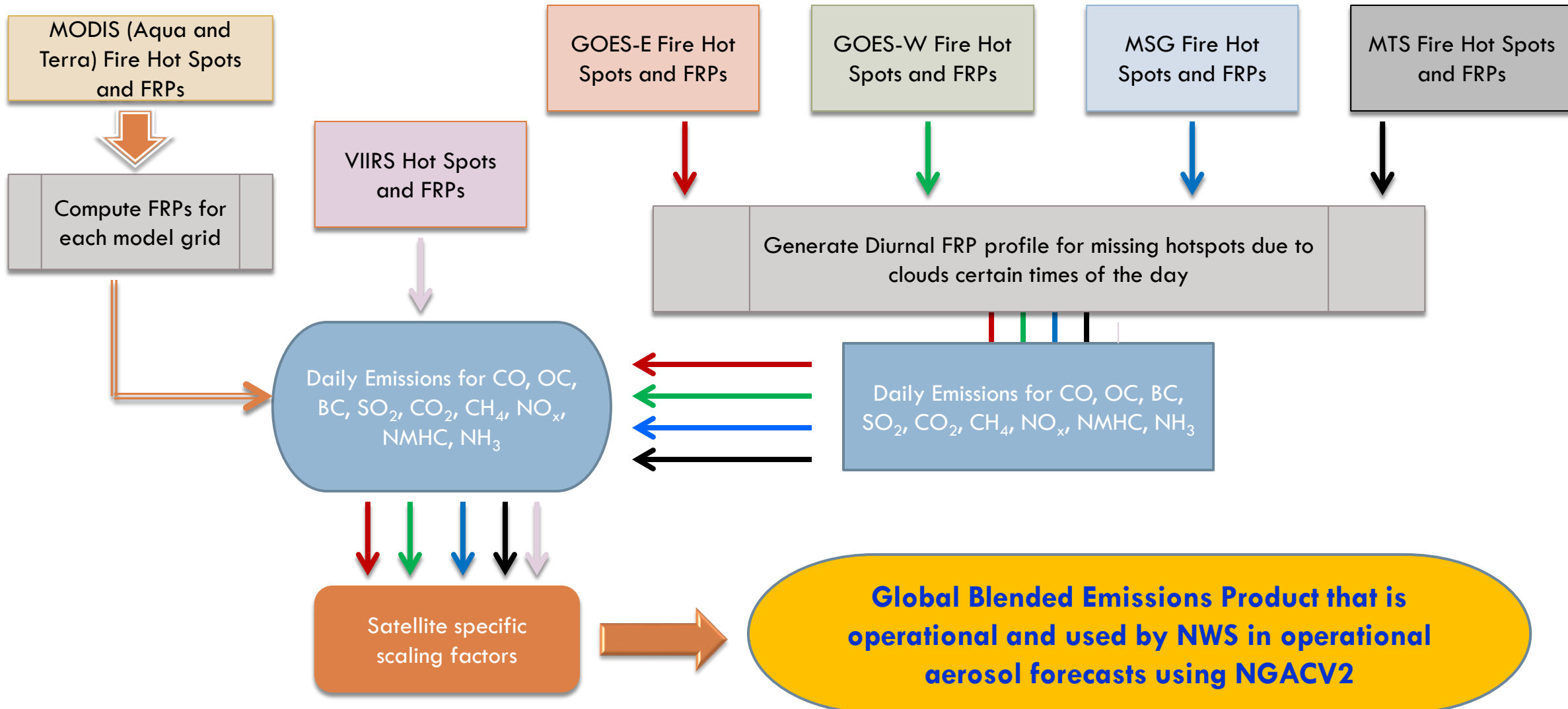
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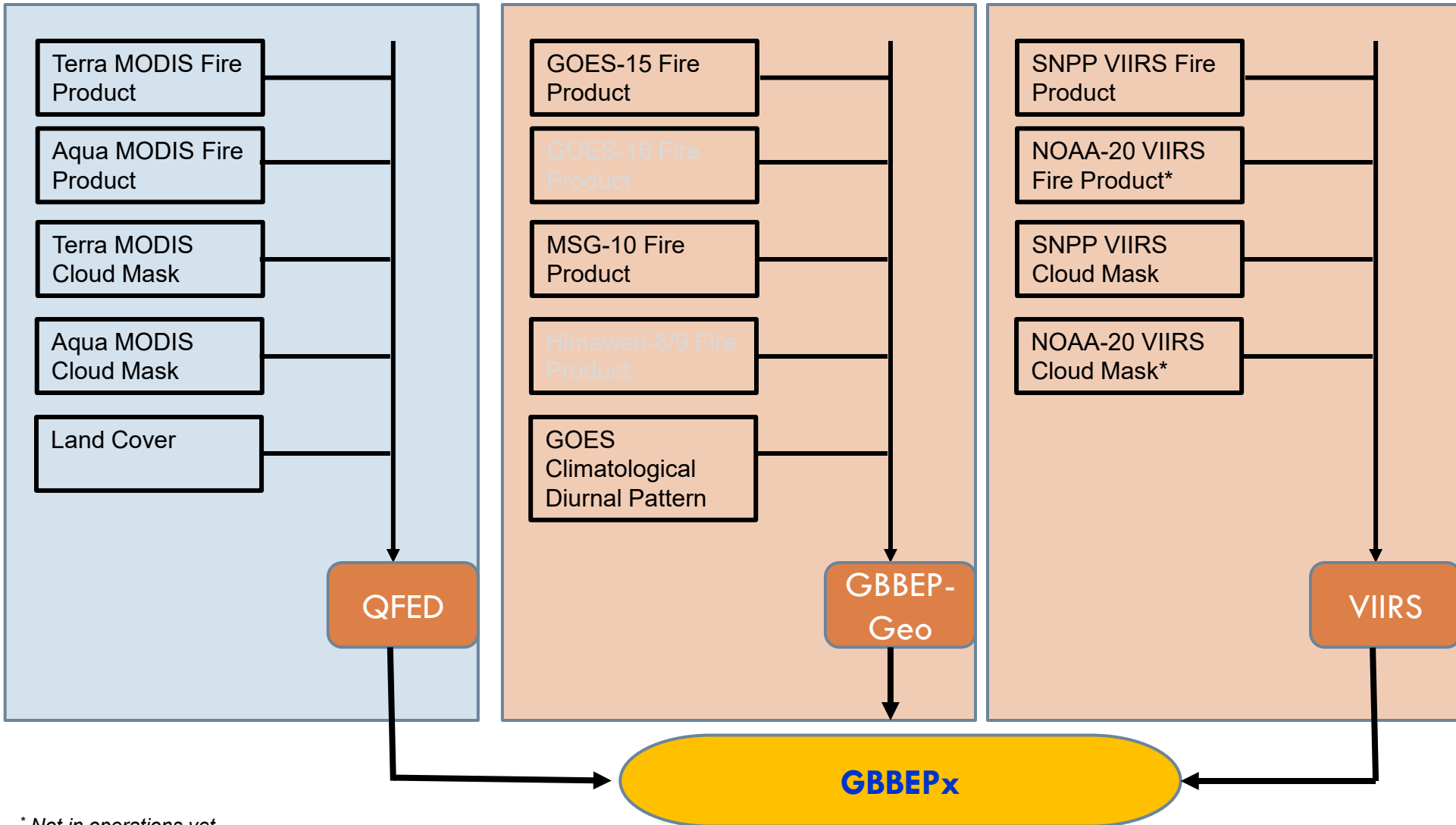


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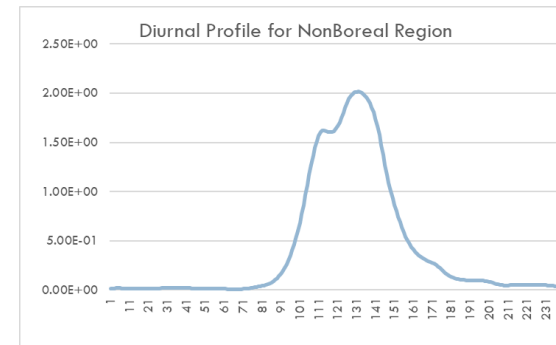








GBBEPx is an output of daily emissions, an average of QFED, GBBEP-Geo, VIIRS.

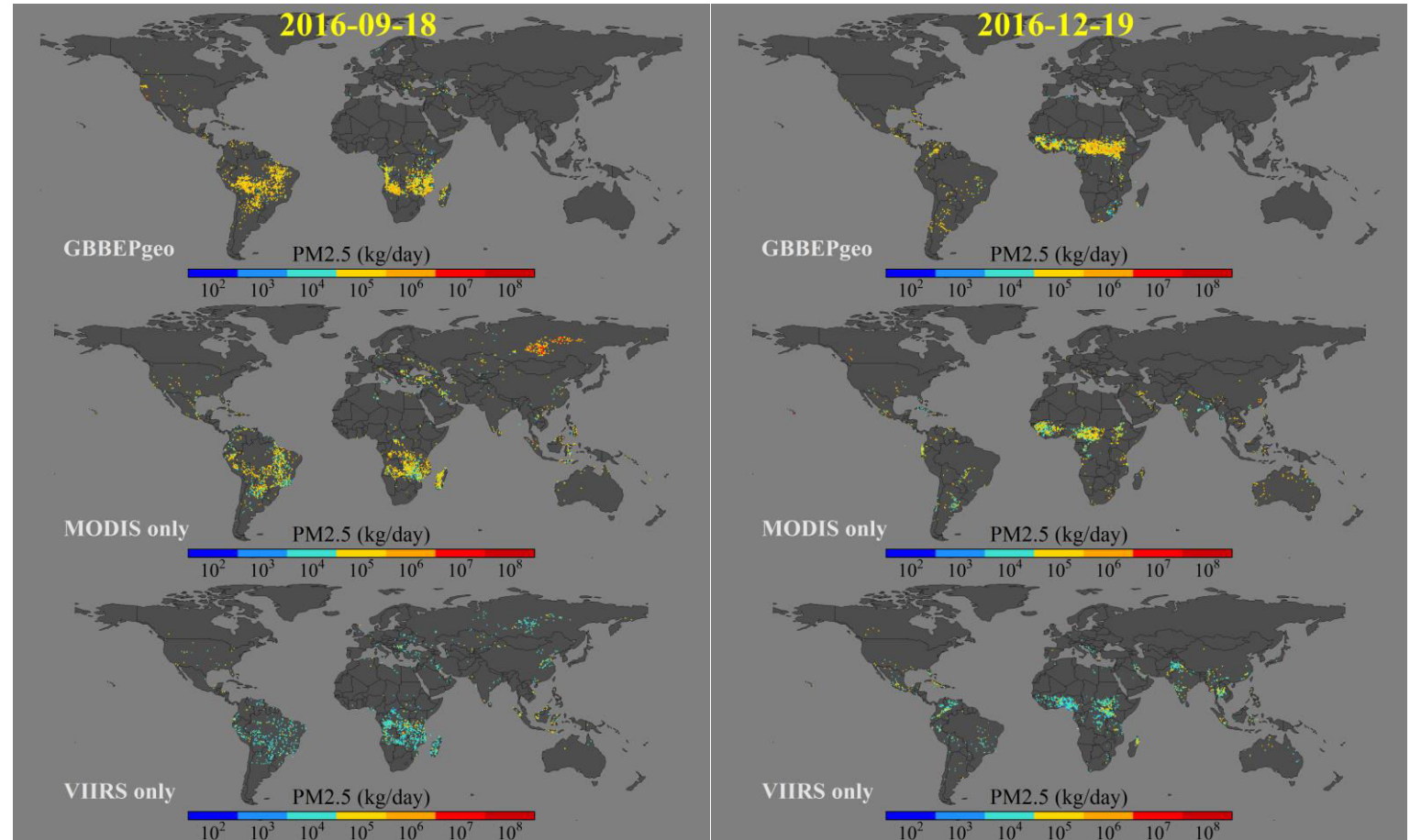


\* Not in operations yet



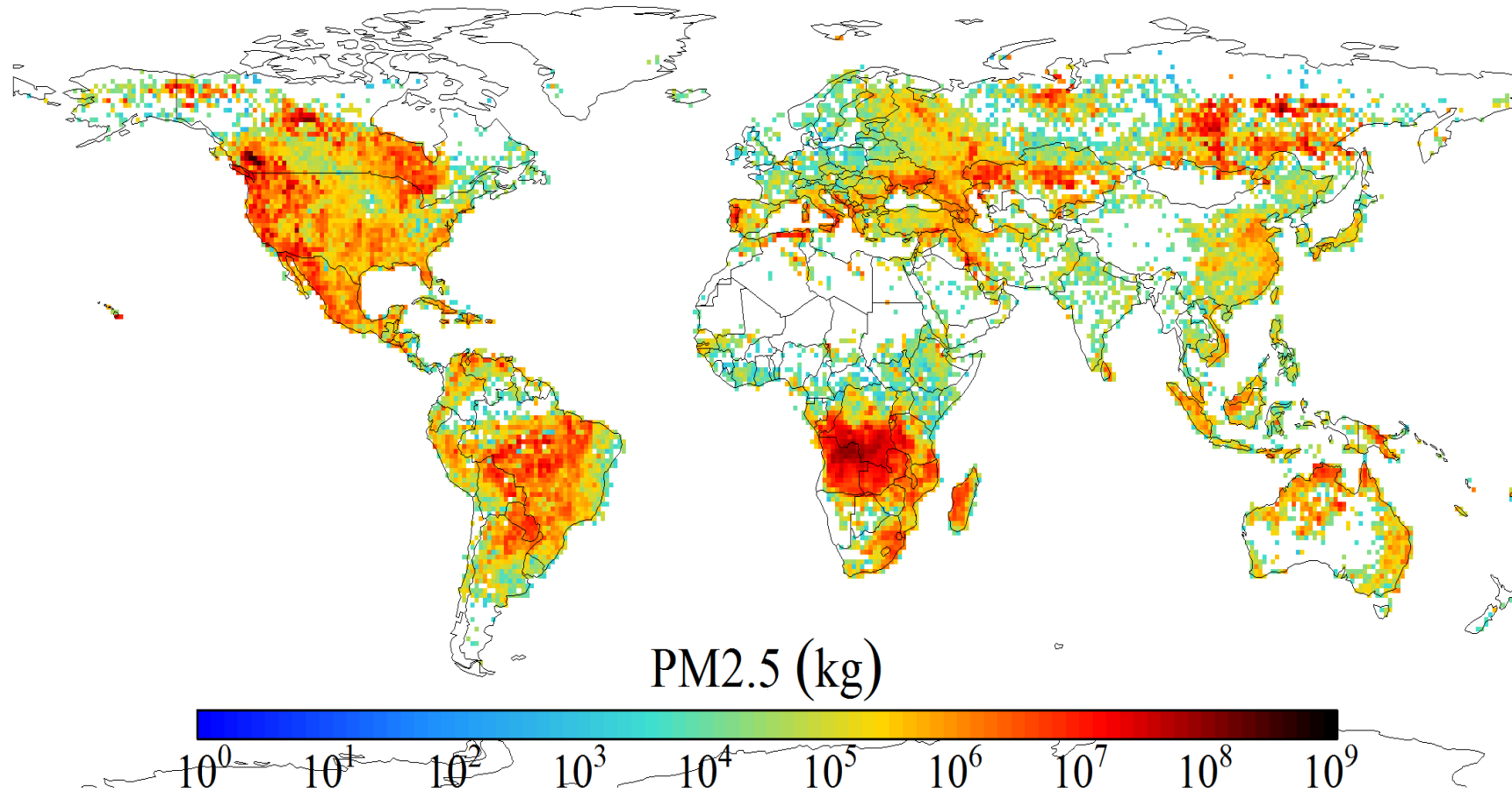
## Two examples of fire emissions:

- geostationary satellites only
- MODIS only
- VIIRS only



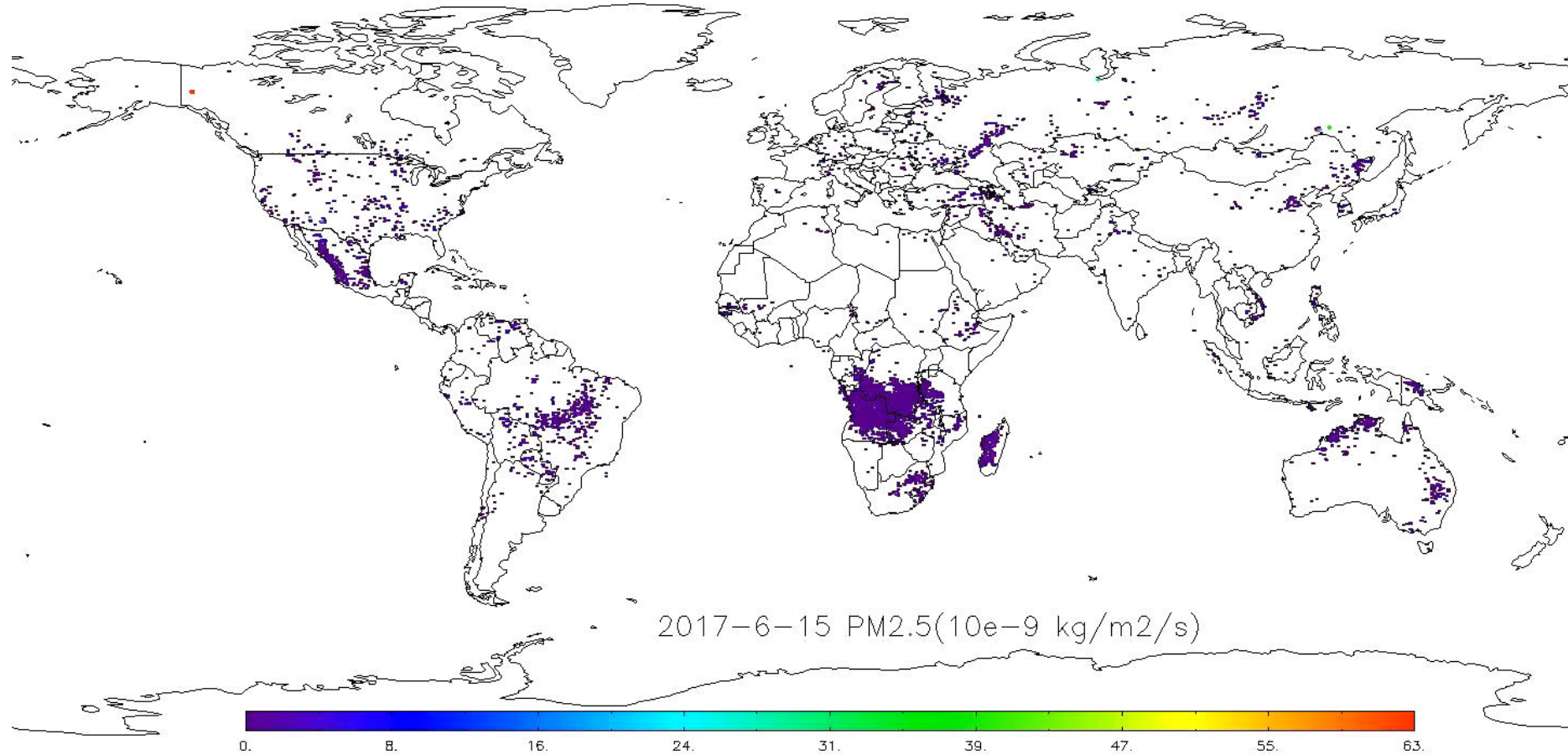


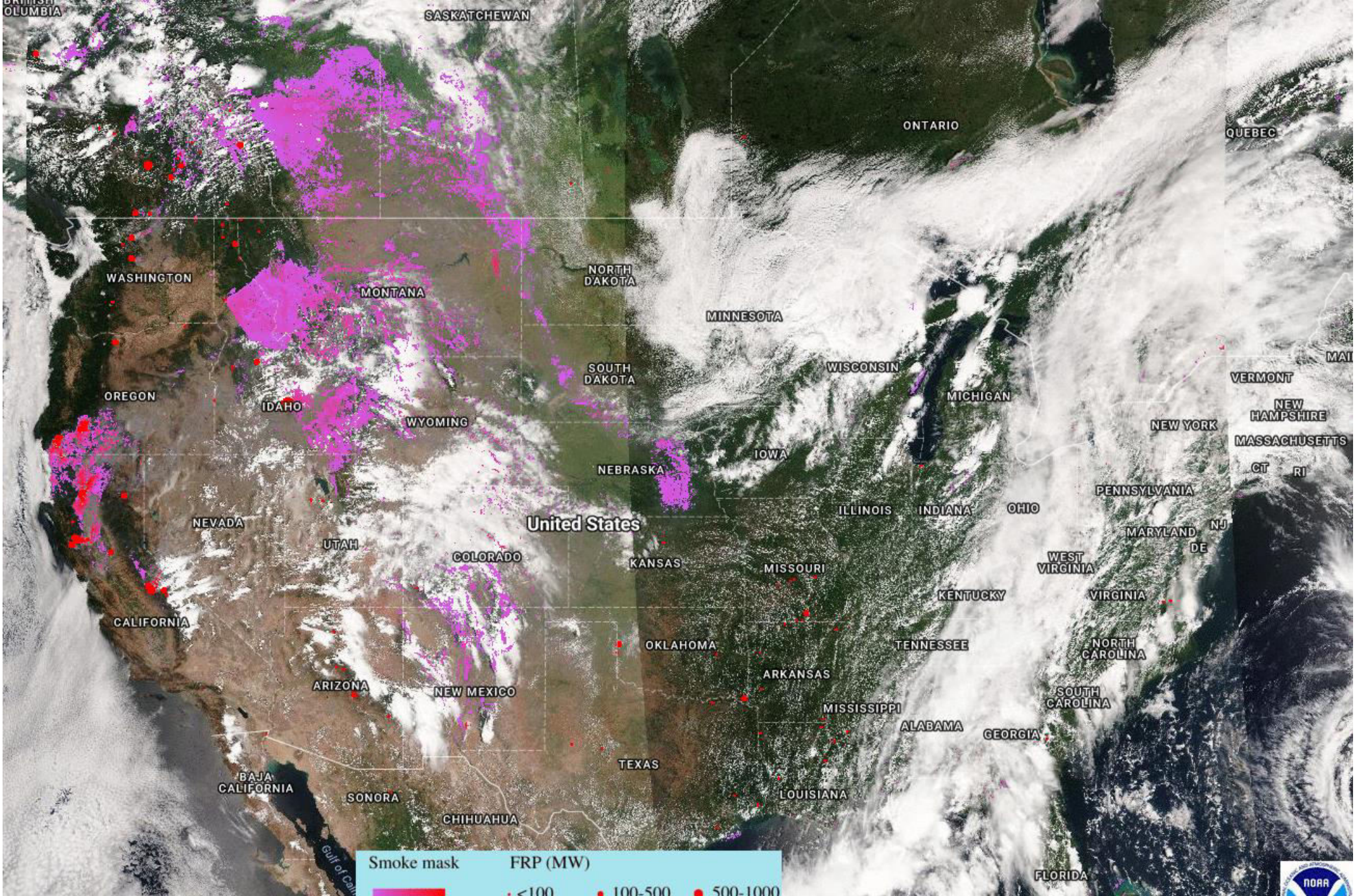
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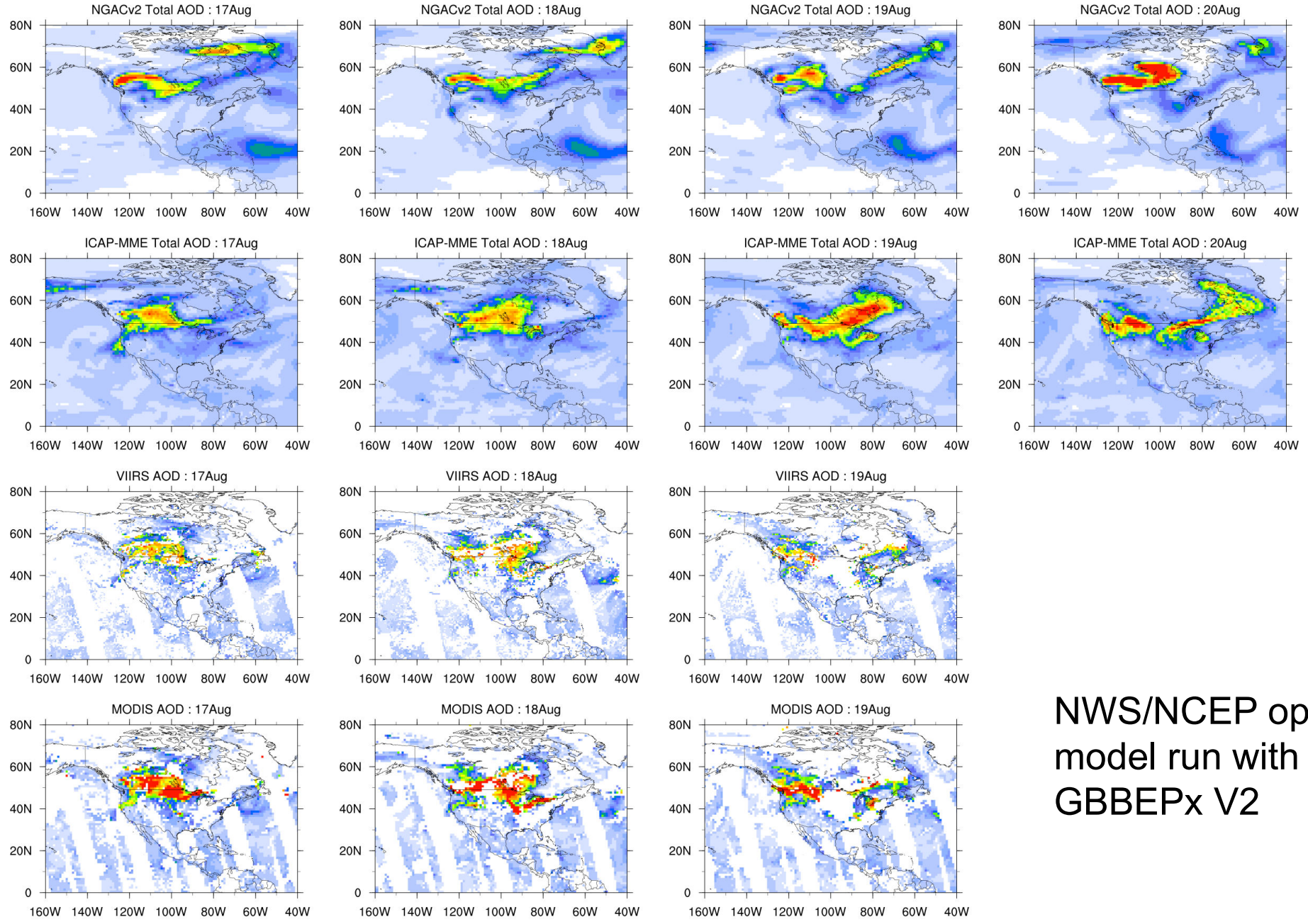
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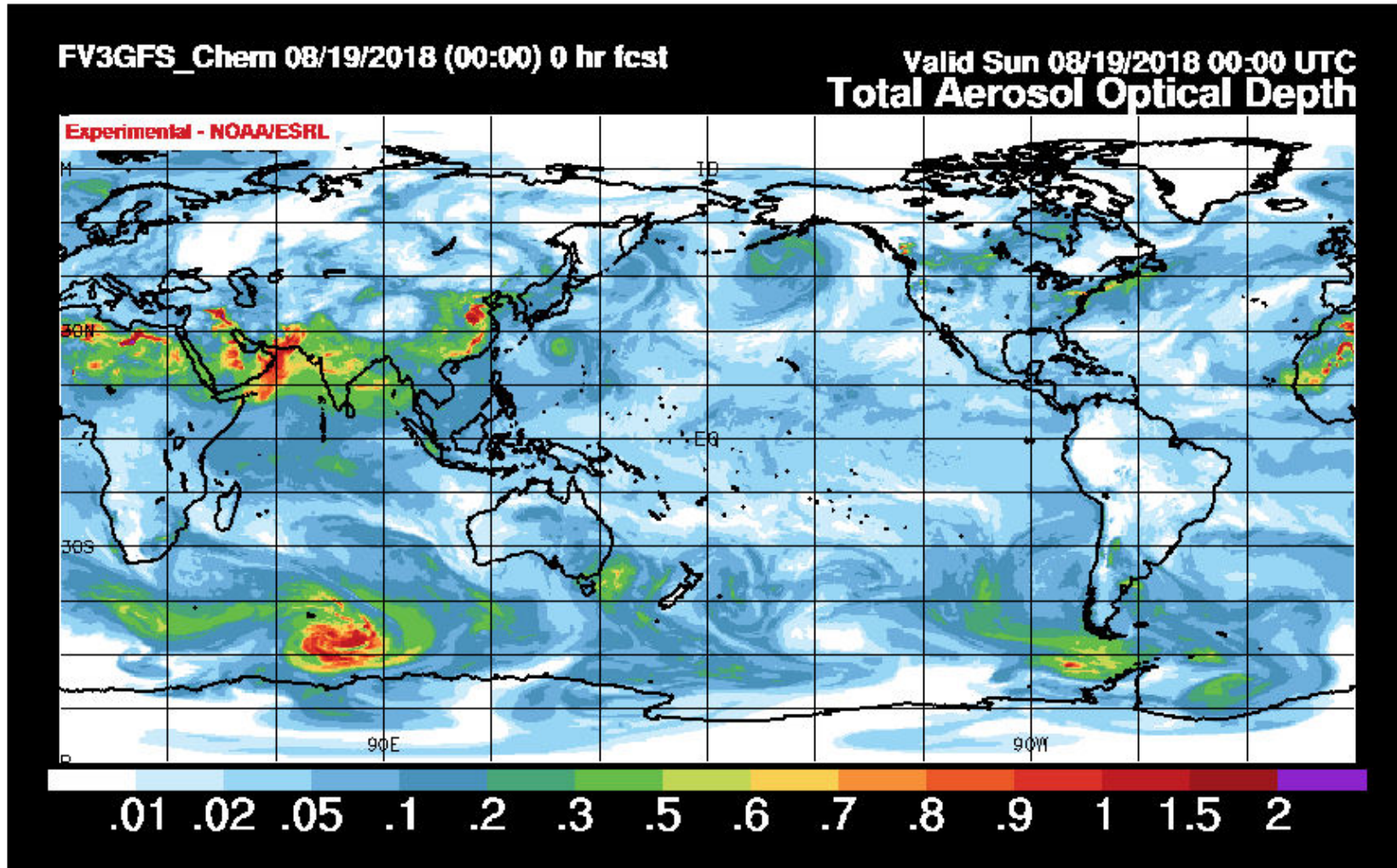




NWS/NCEP operational model run with GBBEPx V2



# FV3GFS-Chem Simulated AOD



- FV3GFS\_Chem is the Next Generation Global Prediction System (NGGPS) for aerosols
- We are currently adapting GBBEPx file format to FV3 grid so it can be tested

*Courtesy of NOAA/ESRL*





# Conclusions

- GBBEPx is an operational product currently being used by operational NGAC v2 aerosol model at NCEP
- Plans underway to add NOAA-20 fire emissions to GBBEPx
- Despite repeated proposal submissions to PSDI to replace legacy GOES and MTSAT with GOES-16/17 and Himawari-8/9 fire emissions, no funding
- GBBEPx sample data were provided to HRRR-smoke model for testing
- GBBEPx output is being adapted for FV3 grid for testing purposes
- Algorithm/product has been published in multiple journal articles

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# Multi-platform Tropical Cyclone Surface Wind Analysis (MTCSWA) Blended Product

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# Outline



- Team Members and Affiliations
- Blended Product Development
- Identified Issues/Risks/Mitigations
- Future Algorithm Improvements
- Product Outreach
- Summary and Path Forward



# MTCSWA Blended Product Team



## Algorithm Team Members

Name	Organization	Major Task
John Knaff	STAR	Lead Developer
Liqun Ma	OSPO	Lead OSPO
Jack Dostalek	CIRA	Software/implementation support
ASSISTT	STAR	NDE implementation

# Input Needs for the Blended Product Algorithm

- Blended Product Name: **MTCSWA**

## Required Satellite and Ancillary **Input** Data Products

	Data Product Name (Inputs)	Input Data Type (Satellite/Model Forecasts/ <i>In-situ</i> )	Temporal/Spatial Resolution, Format	Source(s)
1	Wind Scatterometry	METOP-A/B	12-hrly/25 km	OSPO
2	Wind (850, 700 hPa) AMSU	MIRS Retrievals METOP-A/B, NOAA-18/19	12-hrly/50 km	OSPO
3	Wind (850, 700 hPa) ATMS	MIRS Retrievals SNPP	12-hrly/25 km	OSPO
4	IR-proxy-wind (700 hPa)	GOES-15/16, Metosat-8/11, Himawari-8	3-hrly/4 km x 10°	OSPO
5	AMV winds	GOES -15/16	3-hrly/variable	OSPO
6	AMV winds	Himawari-8/Metosat	3-hrly/variable	Navy/OSPO
7	TC location/intensity	ATCF (text)	6-hrly	JTWC/NHC



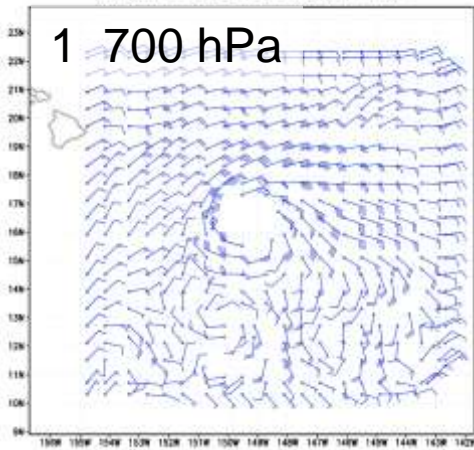
# Blended Product Development

## MTCSWA Technical Approach

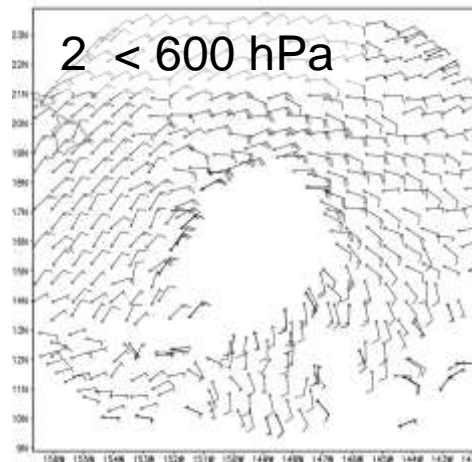


1. MTCSWA **blends four satellite-based wind estimates** compiled over 9 hours
  - **AMVs** below 600 hPa (NESDIS, EUMETSAT, JMA)
  - **AMSU/ATMS** – sounding based **winds** (solves the balance equations on pressure levels) (Bessho et al. 2007)
  - **Advanced Scatterometer**
  - **IR-Based flight-level proxy winds** (given intensity, motion and location estimates the 2-D wind field at 700 hPa) (Knaff et al. 2015, Mueller et al. 2006)
2. Technical Approach
  - Moves wind data to a **storm-motion-relative framework** valid at analysis time.
  - Adjust winds to a **common pressure level** (Franklin et al. 2003)
  - **Adjust for lack of frictional inflow** for surface winds (Zhang and Ehlhorn 2012)
  - A variational **data fitting** approach in polar coordinates
  - **Adjusts winds** to 10-m oceanic exposure or land (Franklin et al. 2003)
  - **Applies** appropriate frictional **inflow angles** (Zhang and Ehlhorn 2012).

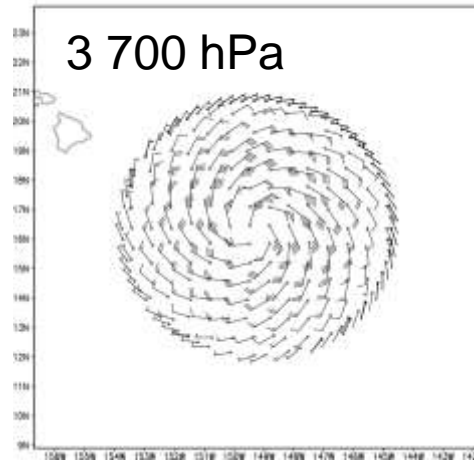
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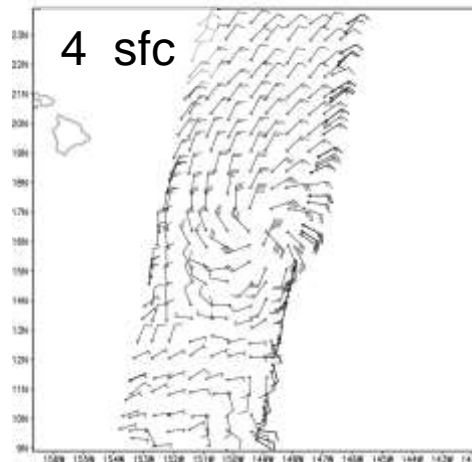
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1. Microwave Sounder – based winds (Bessho et al. 2006)
2. Atmospheric Motion Vectors
3. IR-based flight-level proxy winds (Knaff et al. 2015)
4. Scatterometry



# Special treatment of A-SCAT wind speeds

A hurricane specific bias correction is applied to A-SCAT data based on Chou et al (2013).

Results based on collocated dropwindsonde observations

Increases observed winds, especially above 17.5 ms<sup>-1</sup> (35 kt)

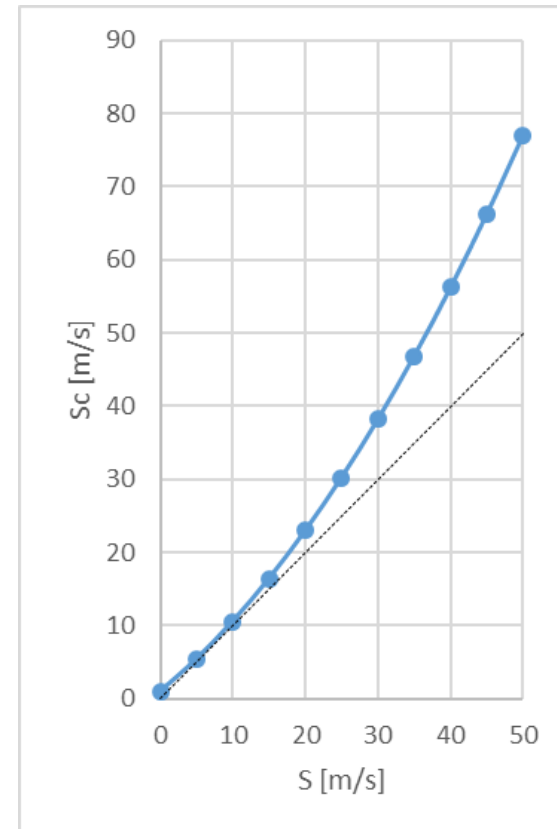
Form of the bias correction

$S \equiv$  observed A-SCAT wind speed

$S_c \equiv$  bias corrected A-SCAT wind speed,

Where  $S$  has units of ms<sup>-1</sup>

$$S_c = 0.014S^2 + 0.821S + 0.961$$



## INPUTS:

1. Current position and intensity (ATCF)
2. Past position and intensity (ATCF)
3. Forecast Position/Intensity, if available
4. Observed and Proxy winds (last 9 hours)

## PROCEEDURE:

1. Spline Latitude (t)
2. Spline Longitude (t)
3. Move observations from their observed time to the analysis time using these estimates for positions
4. Calculate  $r$ ,  $\Theta$  coordinates based on the analysis center
5. Bias correct ASCT
6. Adjust winds/inflow angles to a common analysis level (700 hPa)

## RESULT:

Observations (9h worth) are in a motion relative framework  
 Observations on a polar grid  
 Observations at a common level (gradient level/ 700 hPa)

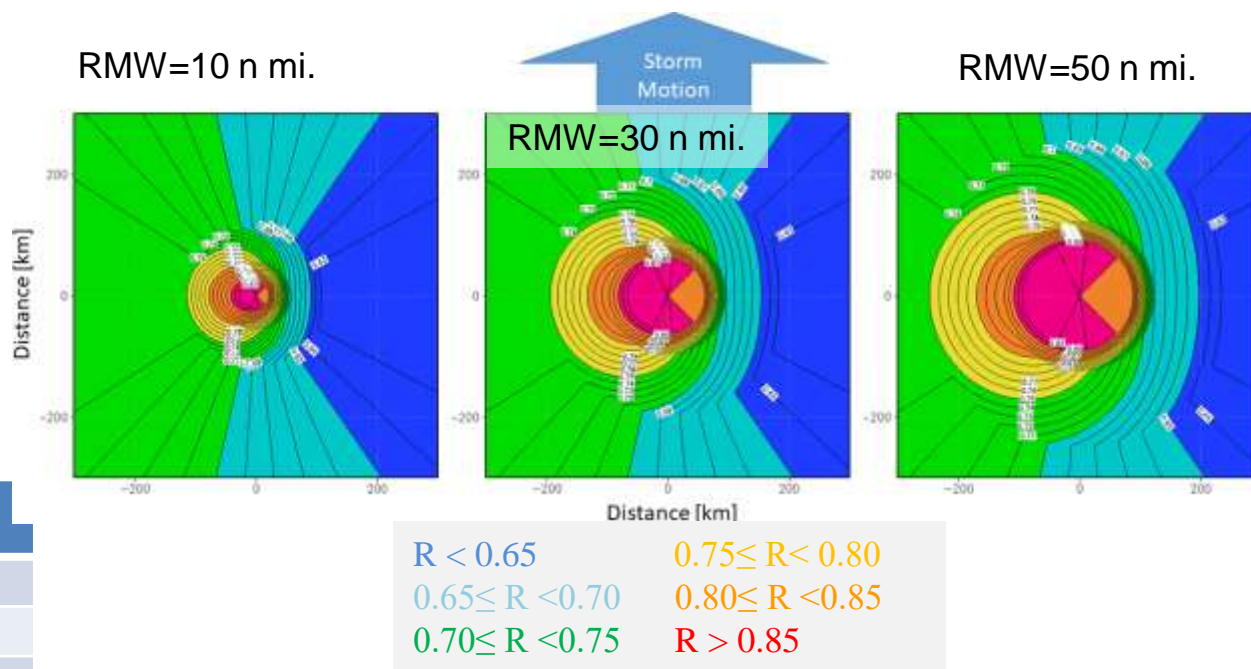
**These are ready for blending in the analysis**

# Adjusting winds to common levels (speed)

- Algorithm is based on the findings of Franklin et al. (2003) who defined reductions to the surface in two regions and four pressure layers.
  - Eyewall (within 2 \* RMW)
  - Outer vortex
  - There is also 4% and 17% differences as a function of azimuth in Eyewall and outer regions

Examples: Reduction Factors (R) from 700 hPa

Level (hPa)	Eyewall	Outer Vortex
600-800	0.88	0.83
800-900	0.78	0.78
900-990	0.73	0.73
990-Sfc	0.77	0.77

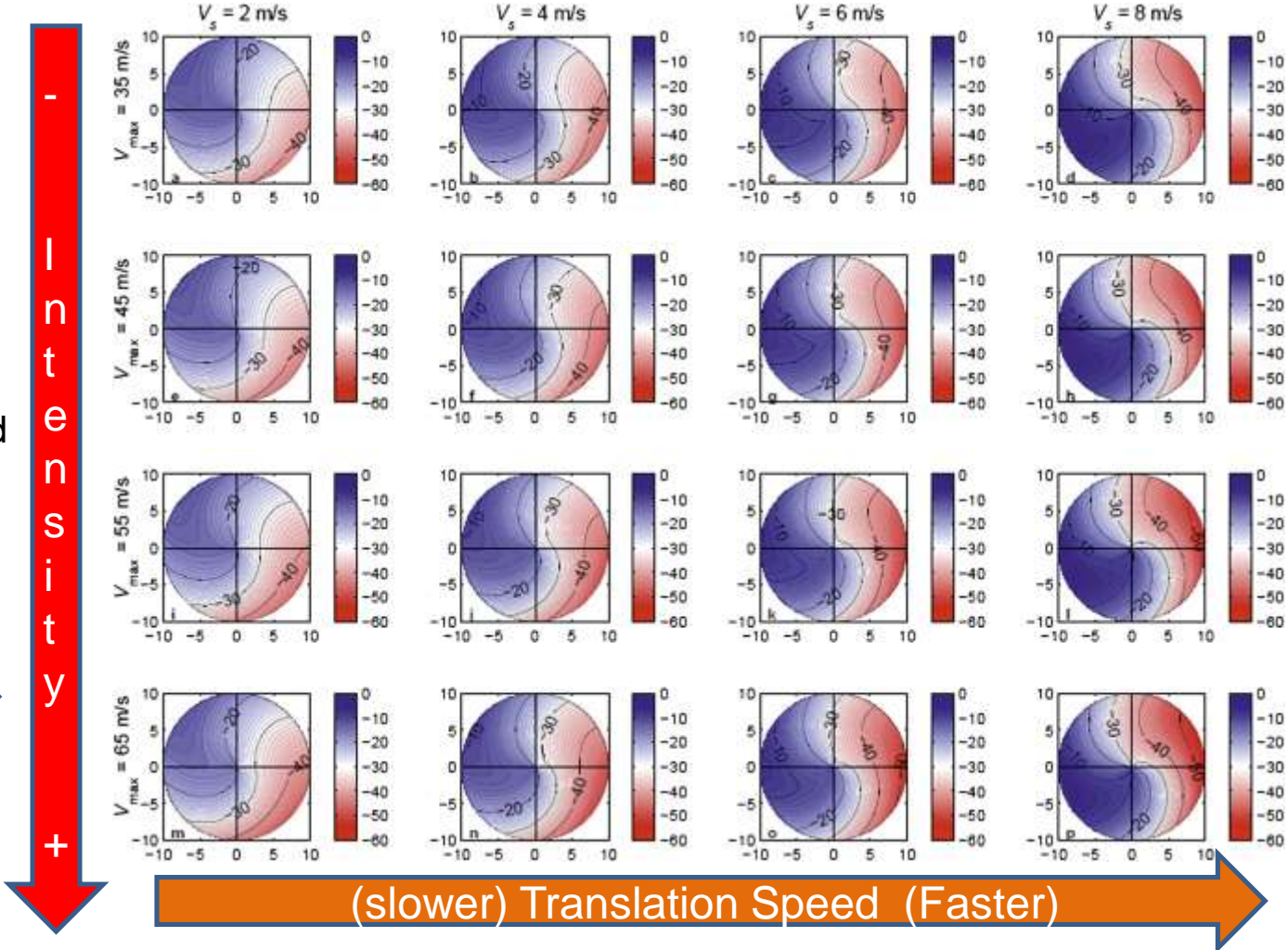


**This algorithm allows for**

- Adjustment of the wind speeds to a common level**
- Adjustment from the analysis level to the surface following analysis**

# Adjusting winds to common levels (angles)

- Algorithm is based on the findings of Zhang and Ehlhorn (2012) who developed a parameterization for surface inflow angles in hurricanes as a function of radius, translation speed, and intensity



This algorithm allows for

1. Adjustment of the inflow angles from the surface to a common level
2. Estimation of surface inflow angles for analyzed wind speeds adjusted to the surface

- Based on Thacker (1988) – a data fitting method
- Variational (Minimize C)
- Data fitting
- Allows for scalar wind estimates
- Allows for weighting of observation types
- Has adjustable filter weights (r,  $\theta$ )
- On a polar grid 4.5 km x 10° (i.e., Makes circles rather than squares)
- Solved iteratively via steepest decent

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K w_k [ (u_k - U_k)^2 + (v_k - V_k)^2 ]$$

Wind vectors  
Measures misfit

$$+ \sum_{m=1}^M w_m (s_m - S_m)^2$$

Wind speeds  
Measures misfit

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J \left\{ \alpha [(\delta_{xx} U_{ij})^2 + (\delta_{xx} V_{ij})^2] \right. \\ \left. + \beta [(\delta_{yy} U_{ij})^2 + (\delta_{yy} V_{ij})^2] \right\}$$

Penalty term  
Acts as a filter

$$\delta_{xx} U_{ij} = (U_{i+1,j} + U_{i-1,j} - 2U_{ij}) / \Delta x^2$$

$$\delta_{yy} V_{ij} = (V_{i+1,j} + V_{i-1,j} - 2V_{ij}) / \Delta y^2$$

Filter weights

$\alpha$   
 $\beta$

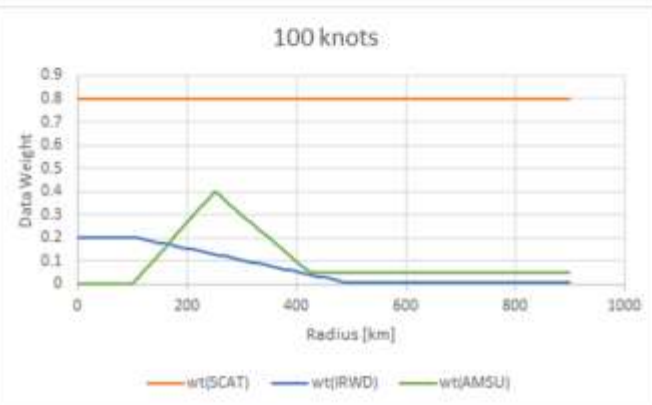
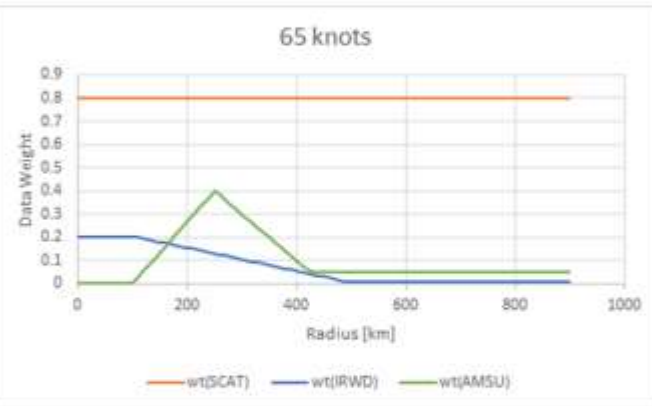
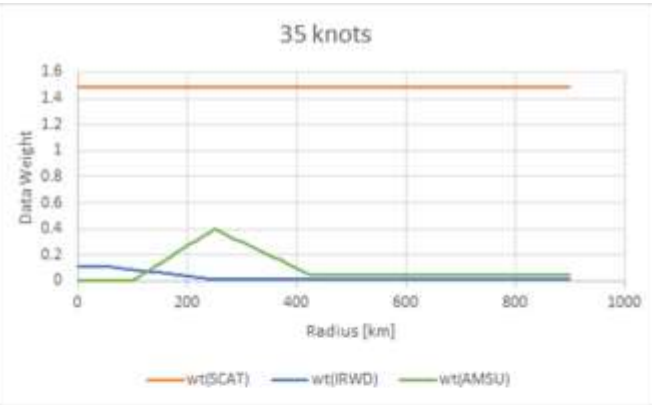
Data weights

$w_k$   
 $w_m$

response function F (k) of the filter weights

$$F(k) = 1 / \{1 + 8\alpha[1 - \cos(k\Delta x)]^2\}$$

Where x can be r or  $\theta$  and  $\alpha = \beta$



To help overcome the shortcomings of each input data weights are used to weight data selectively as a function of radius, current intensity and data type.

- Weights were tuned using aircraft-based analyses
- Weights are a function of intensity
- Weights are a function of the number of points in the analysis.

AMVs weights = 5.0 for all intensities



# Blended Product Development

## MTCSWA Examples/Outputs

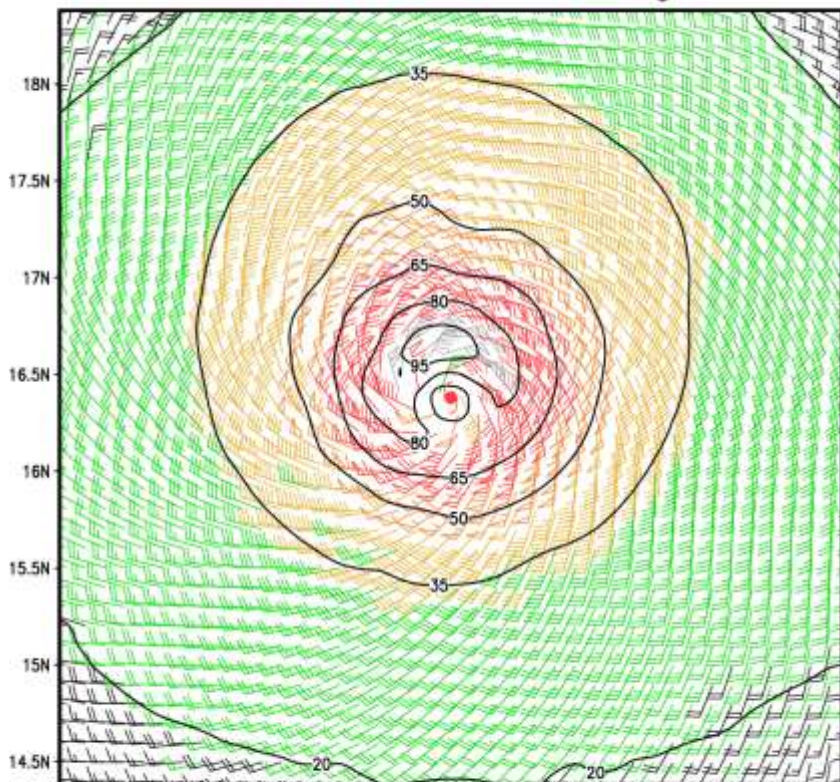


### Output Data Products

	<b>Blended Data Product Name (Outputs)</b>	<b>Output Data Type (Satellite; Model Forecasts; In-situ)</b>	<b>Spatial, Temporal Resolution, Format</b>	<b>Source(s)</b>
1	TC Surface Wind Analysis	GOES/Met-op/Metosat/POES/SNPP/H8	10km, 3-hourly, NETCDF	STAR Enterprise NDE
2	TC ATCF-Fix	GOES/Met-op/Metosat/POES/SNPP/H8	Wind Radii, RMW, MSLP, 3-hourly, ASCII	STAR Enterprise NDE

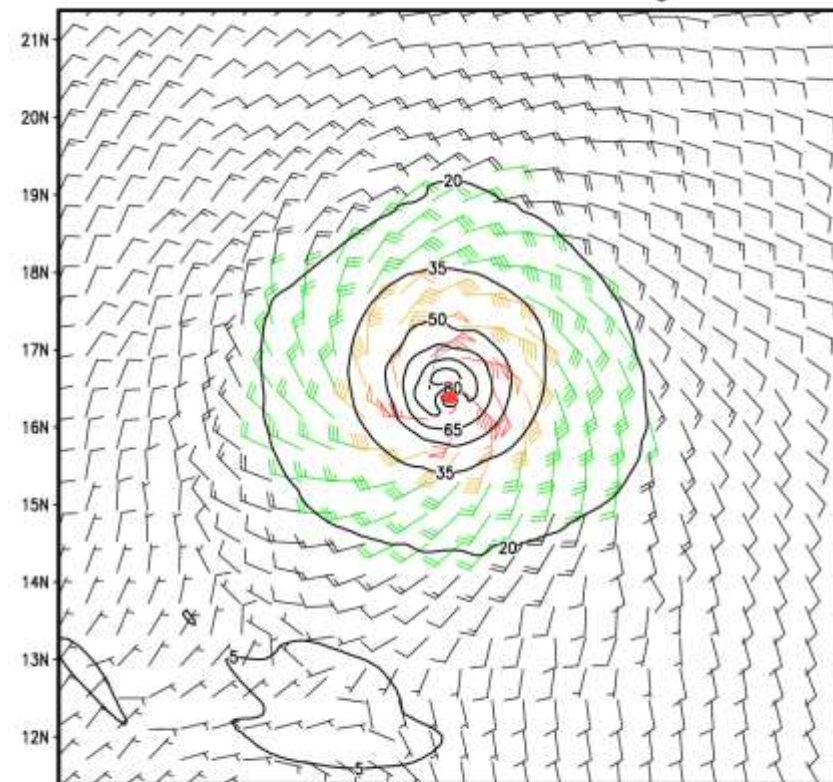
### Output Data Products

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QUA	151W	150.5W	150W	149.5W	149W	148.5W	148W	147.5W
R34	NE	SE	SW	NW	VMAX Input for IR Winds = 113			
R50	100	65	75	105	VMAX = 116 kt MSLP = 921.5 hPa			
R64	50	45	40	50	RMW = 16 nmi BEARING = 340 degrees			
	40	30	40	45				

EP1018 HECTOR 2018 7 Aug 21UTC



QUA	154W	153W	152W	151W	150W	149W	148W	147W	146W	145W
R34	NE	SE	SW	NW	VMAX Input for IR Winds = 113					
R50	100	65	75	105	VMAX = 116 kt MSLP = 921.5 hPa					
R64	50	45	40	50	RMW = 16 nmi BEARING = 340 degrees					
	40	30	40	45						





# Blended Product Development MTCSWA Examples/Outputs



## Output Data Products

### ATCF Fix

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# Blended Product Development

## Product Evaluation/Validation/Tools

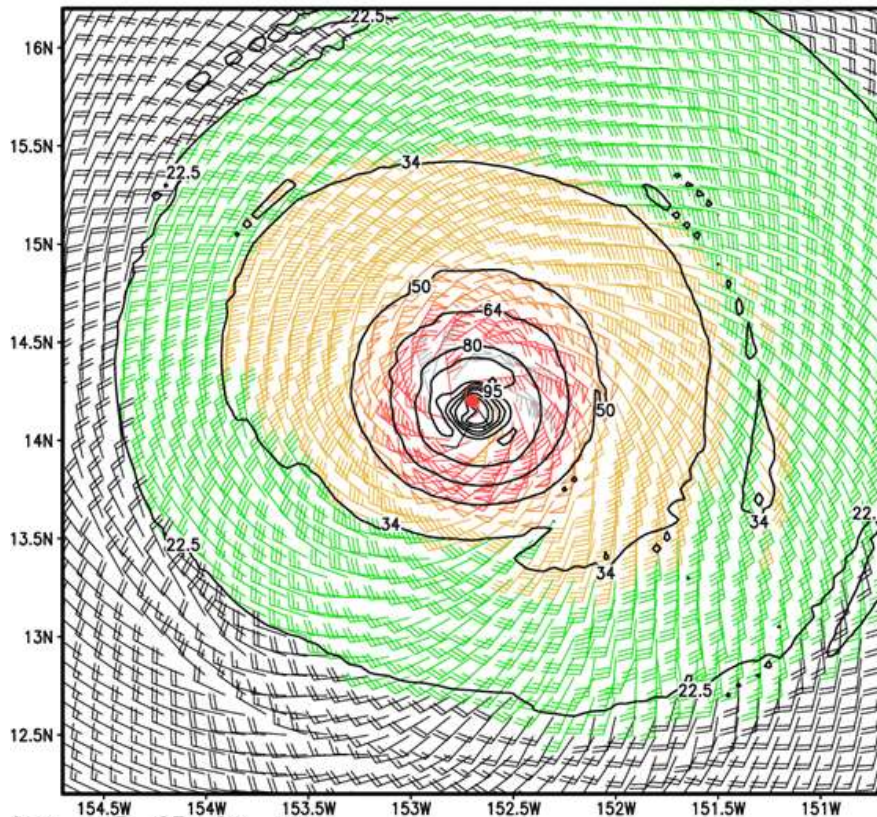


- Product Evaluation/Validation
  - Initial validation and training was based on aircraft-based H\*Wind (Powell et al. 1998) surface wind analyses
  - Current evaluation is based on an in-house aircraft-based surface wind analysis developed for the Joint Hurricane Testbed and final best track estimates or 34-, 50- and 64-kt winds.
- Validation show that the largest errors ( $\sim 5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ) are in the vicinity the radius of maximum winds. Elsewhere errors are typically less than  $2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

Recent example Hurricane Lane (next slide)

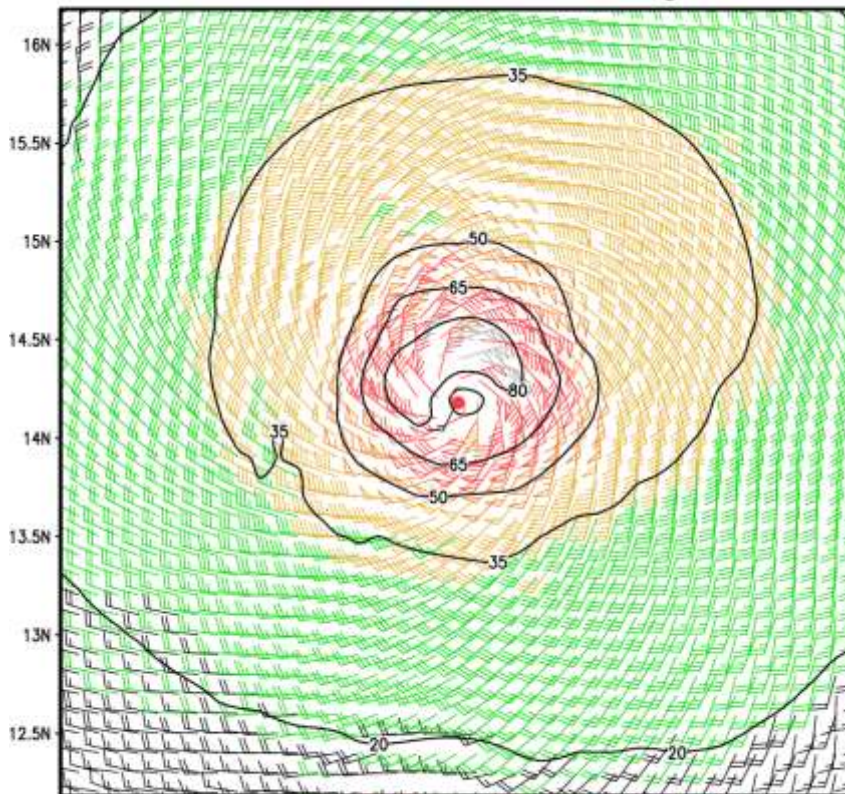
# Hurricane Lane (small, compact, and intense)

Aircraft – Based Analysis  
ep142018 LANE 2018 21 Aug 18UTC



QUA	NE	SE	SW	NW	
R34	90	90	70	85	
R50	40	35	30	40	VMAX = 120 kt
R64	30	25	25	25	RMW = 8 nmi BEARING = 60 degrees

MTCSSWA  
EP1418 LANE 2018 21 Aug 18UTC



QUA	NE	SE	SW	NW	VMAX Input for IR Winds = 128
R34	105	55	55	100	
R50	50	40	35	50	VMAX = 117 kt MSLP = 910.6 hPa
R64	35	25	30	35	RMW = 16 nmi BEARING = 350 degrees

Working Best Track

Vmax = 135 kt

CP = 941 hPa

RMW = 20 nmi.

	NE	SE	SW	NW
R34	110	95	50	120
R50	70	40	30	80
R64	35	25	25	30



## Blended Product Development MTCSWA Implementation Status



- Implementation
  - Previous version running at NSOF (degraded)
  - This version is running experimentally at CIRA
  - Planned in late 2018.
  - ATCF fix files are already getting to NHC, CPHC and JTWC
  - NetCDF output should help with use on AWIPS-II, ATCF
- Will be run on NDE
- Help coming from ASSISTT



# Identified Issues/Risks/Mitigations



Identified Risk/Issues	Action/Mitigation
Transition to operations (NDE)	Working with ASSISTT personnel
Himawari access	Plans for moving to operations
Failure of ASCAT	None
Metop-C products replacing A	Plans for moving to operations



# Future Algorithm Improvements



- Improvements
  - Incorporation of ASCAT from Metop-C
  - Possible use of SMAP and SMOS winds (experimental)
  - Improved estimation of radius of maximum winds from satellite (ongoing work)
  - Work to improve central pressure estimates in intense storms.
- Future Validation Plans
  - Continue to use aircraft-based data for inner core
  - SMAP and SMOS wind speeds and TROPICS non-linear balance winds as independent assessment of outer winds

# Summary and Path Forward

- MTCSWA provides **unique** and important information regarding the **real-time surface wind structure** in **global** tropical cyclone
- The **satellite-only-based** information provides key information in regions where routine aircraft reconnaissance is not performed
- Surface wind structure estimates support NWP (e.g., Bender et al. 2017), wind probabilities, watch/warnings, and wave forecasts (various methods) and thus impact TC impacts and forecasts.

## Path Forward:

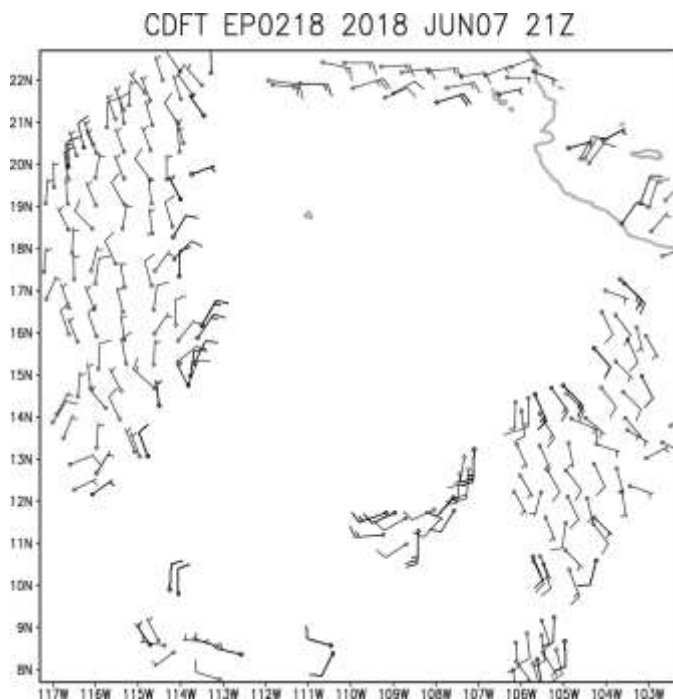
1. Get these updates in operations
  - mitigate the GOES-16 and soon GOES-17 degradation
  - Improved known shortcomings of the legacy analyses.
2. Continue to improve the inputs and methodology as part of StAR base or other funding opportunities



# Backup Slides

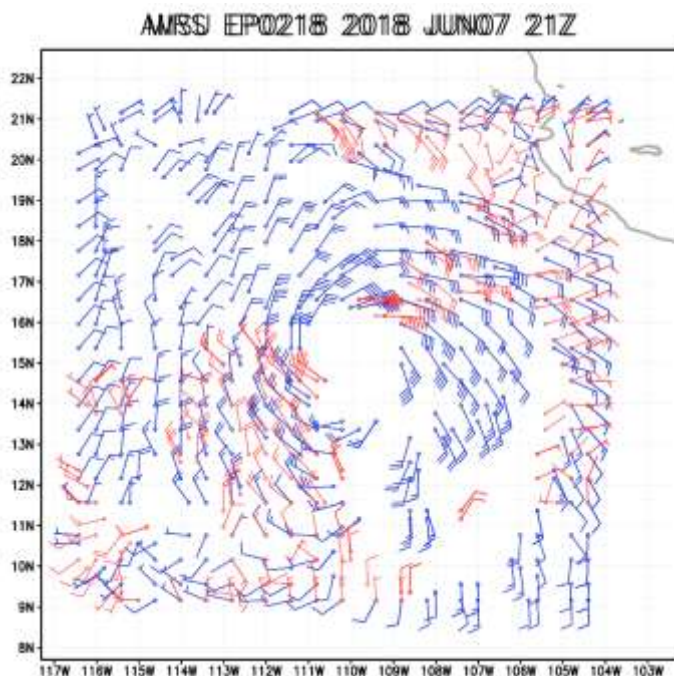




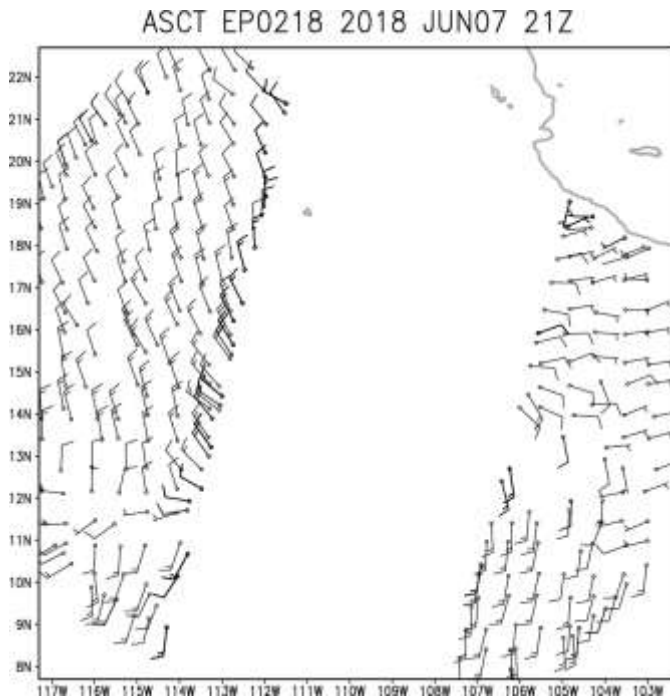


- Source (NESDIS & US Navy)
- All AMVs below 600 hPa (IR, Vis, WV)
- Each data point is compiled in a storm-motion relative framework valid at the analysis time
- Each are adjusted to 700 hPa as a function of pressure, azimuth and radius
- Provides environmental winds

Statistical  
MIRS

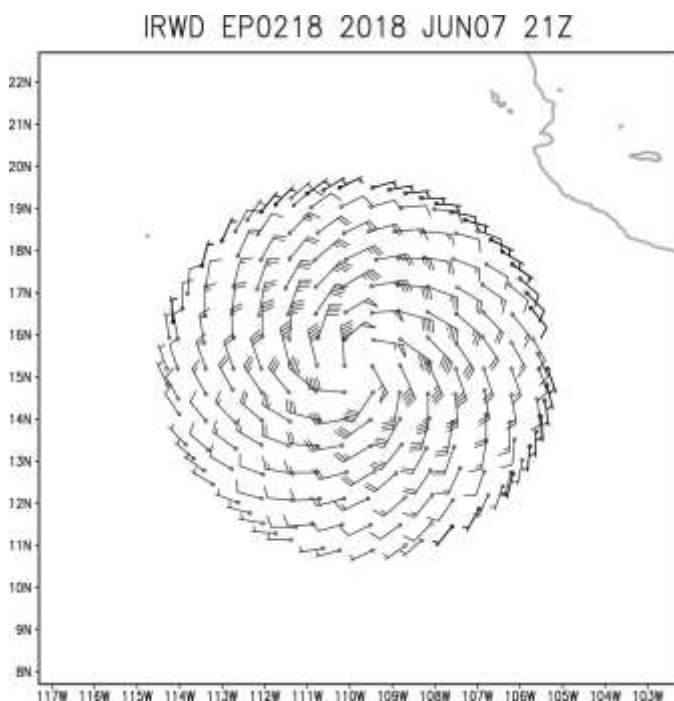


- Method of Bessho et al. (2006) that solves the non-linear balance equations on pressure surfaces
- Winds are compiled in a motion relative framework
- Winds are adjusted to 700 hPa
- By product of the Hurricane Intensity and Structure Algorithm (HISA)
- Statistical (NCEP) and MIRS (OSPO) based inputs
- Provides asymmetries  $r=200 - 400$



- Source: OSPO MCADDE server
- Winds are compiled in a motion relative framework
- Winds are adjusted to 700 hPa, speed (Franklin et al. 2003), angles (Zhang and Uhlhorn 2012), bias (Chou et al. 2013)
- Provides environmental and near core winds, when available

# Input 4: IR-based flight-level proxy winds



- Winds are based on the algorithm discussed in Knaff et al. (2015) that related intensity, motion and IR patterns to the flight level winds (wavenumbers 0-2)
- Winds are compiled in a motion relative framework
- Winds are adjusted to 700 hPa as a function of pressure, azimuth and radius
- Provides winds near the core and the radius of maximum winds



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# Importance/Benefits/Users

- In tropical cyclone regions without routine aircraft reconnaissance the surface wind estimates efficiently provide critical information about the surface wind structure associated with TCs.
  - Initial wind structure estimates influence watch/warning, TC conditions of readiness
  - Initial wind structure estimates are provided to NWP
  - Initial wind structure influence output of the wind speed probability product, which are inputs to watch/warning and significant wave height guidance
- No current funding for maintenance or future development (out of hide)

Name	Organization	Application	User Feedback
Mark Demaria	NHC	Wind Radii Estimation	Experimental and older operational versions fixes in ATCF Viewed on web-site
Brian Strahl	JTWC	Wind Radii Estimation	Older operational versions in fixes at JTWC Technical exchange occurring this week. Viewed on web-site



## Documentation/website links

(Provide this information in your back-up slides)

- For experimental products  
[http://rammb.cira.colostate.edu/products/tc\\_realtime/](http://rammb.cira.colostate.edu/products/tc_realtime/)
- For legacy/operational product (degraded)  
<http://www.ssd.noaa.gov/PS/TROP/mtcswa.html>



# Blended Product Development

## Output Product(s) Specifications



- Blended Product Name: **MTCSWA**
- Output Data Type(s): Wind (netCDF), ATCF-fix (ASCII)

Output Product(s) Attributes	Threshold	Observed/validated
Latency	1h	35m
Geographic coverage	Global	Global
Vertical Coverage	N/A	N/A
Vertical Cell Size	N/A	N/A
Horizontal Cell Size	10 km	10 km
Mapping Uncertainty	50km	~20 km
Measurement Range	0-100 m/s	0-75 m/s
Measurement Accuracy	5 m/s	5 m/s
Measurement Precision	5 m/s	5 m/s
Measurement Uncertainty	5 m/s	5 m/s