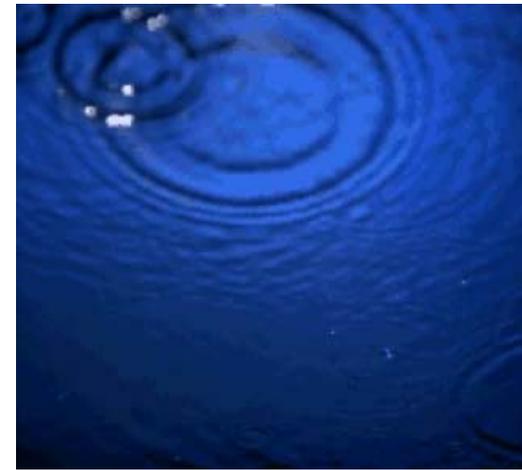




Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) Mission

**An International Partnership &
Precipitation Satellite Constellation
for Research
on Global Water & Energy Cycle**



GPM Mission Science Requirements

- **System Requirements Review**
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- **June 4-5, 2002; NASA/GSFC, Greenbelt, MD**



Relevance of Global Water Cycle

Availability & quality of water is essential to life on earth.

- ***Global Water Cycle is core of climate system, affecting every physical, chemical, & ecological component & their interaction.***
- ***Accurate assessment of spatial-temporal variation of land surface water cycle is essential for addressing wide variety of socially relevant science, education, applications, & management issues:***
 - rainfall-runoff, flood, & drought prediction
 - meteorological processes & weather prediction
 - climate system & ecosystem modeling
 - soil system science
 - crop systems & agriculture production
 - water supply, human health, & disease
 - forest ecology & management
 - civil engineering
 - water resources management
 - military operations
- ***Additionally, as people increasingly modify land surface, concern grows about ensuing consequences for weather, climate, water supplies, crop production, biochemical cycles, & ecological balances of biosphere at various time scales.***

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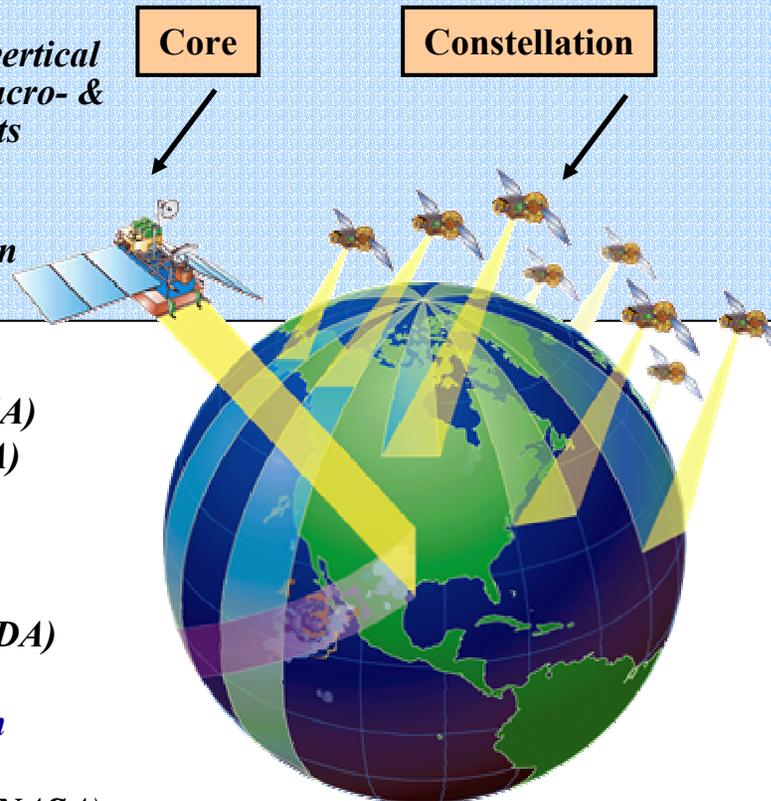




GPM Reference Concept

OBJECTIVES

- Understand horizontal & vertical structure of rainfall, its macro- & micro-physical nature, & its associated latent heating
- Train & calibrate retrieval algorithms for constellation radiometers



OBJECTIVES

- Provide sufficient global sampling to significantly reduce uncertainties in short-term rainfall accumulations
- Extend scientific and societal applications

Core Satellite

- TRMM-like spacecraft (NASA)
- H2-A rocket launch (NASDA)
- Non-sun-synchronous orbit
 - ~ 65° inclination
 - ~400 km altitude
- Dual frequency radar (NASDA)
 - K-Ka Bands (13.6-35 GHz)
 - ~ 4 km horizontal resolution
 - ~250 m vertical resolution
- Multifrequency radiometer (NASA)
 - 10.7, 19, 22, 37, 85, (150/183 ?) GHz V&H

Precipitation Processing Center

- Produces global precipitation products
- Products defined by GPM partners

Constellation Satellites

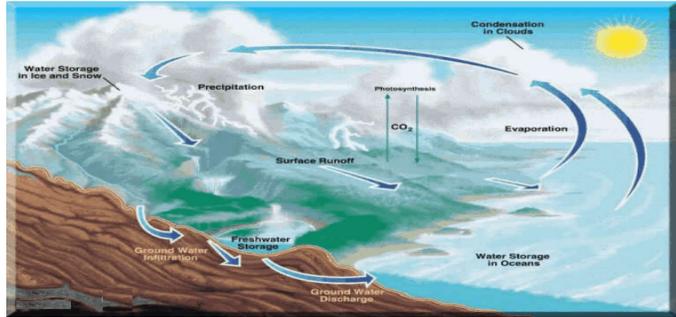
- Pre-existing operational-experimental & dedicated satellites with PMW radiometers
- Revisit time
 - 3-hour goal at ~90% of time
- Sun-synch & non-sun-synch orbits
 - 600-900 km altitudes

Precipitation Validation Sites

- Select/globally distributed ground validation “Supersites” (research quality radar, up looking radiometer-radar-profiler system, raingage-disdrometer network, & T-q soundings)
- Dense & frequently reporting regional raingage networks



Tracibility to ESE's Strategic Plan



How is Earth changing and what are consequences for life on Earth?

I. How is global Earth system changing? (Variability)

1. How are global precip, evap, & water cycling changing?
2. How is global ocean circulation varying on interannual, decadal, & longer time scales?
3. How are global ecosystems changing?
4. How is stratospheric ozone changing, as abundance of ozone-destroying chemicals decreases & new substitutes increases?
5. What changes are occurring in mass of Earth's ice cover?
6. What are motions of Earth & its interior, & what information can be inferred about its internal processes?

II. What are primary forcings of Earth system? (Forcing)

1. What trends in atmospheric constituents & solar radiation are driving global climate?
2. What changes are occurring in global land cover & land use, & what are their causes?
3. How is Earth's surface being transformed & how can such information be used to predict future changes?

III. How does Earth system respond to natural & human-induced changes? (Response)

1. What are effects of clouds & surf hydrology on climate?
2. How do ecosystems respond to & affect global environmental change & carbon cycle?
3. How can climate variations induce changes in global ocean circulation?
4. How do stratospheric trace constituents respond to change in climate & atmospheric composition?
5. How is global sea level affected by climate change?
6. What are effects of regional pollution on global atmosphere, & effects of global chemical & climate changes on regional air quality?

IV. What are consequences of change in Earth system for civilization? (Consequences)

1. How are variations in local weather, precipitation & water resources related to global climate variation?
2. What are consequences of land cover & use change for sustainability of ecosystems & economic productivity?
3. What are consequences of climate & sea level changes & increased human activities on coastal regions?

V. How well can we predict future changes in the Earth system? (Prediction)

1. How can weather forecast duration & reliability be improved by new space obs, data assim, & modeling?
2. How well can transient climate variations be understood & predicted?
3. How well can long-term climatic trends be assessed & predicted?
4. How well can future atmospheric chemical impacts on ozone and climate be predicted?
5. How well can cycling of carbon through Earth system be modeled, & how reliable are predictions of future atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide & methane by these models?

Asrar, G., J.A. Kaye, & P. Morel, 2001: NASA Research Strategy for Earth System Science: Climate Component. Bull. Amer. Meteorol. Soc., 82, 1309-1329.





GPM Mission is Being Formulated within Context of Global Water & Energy Cycle with Foremost Science Goals Focusing On

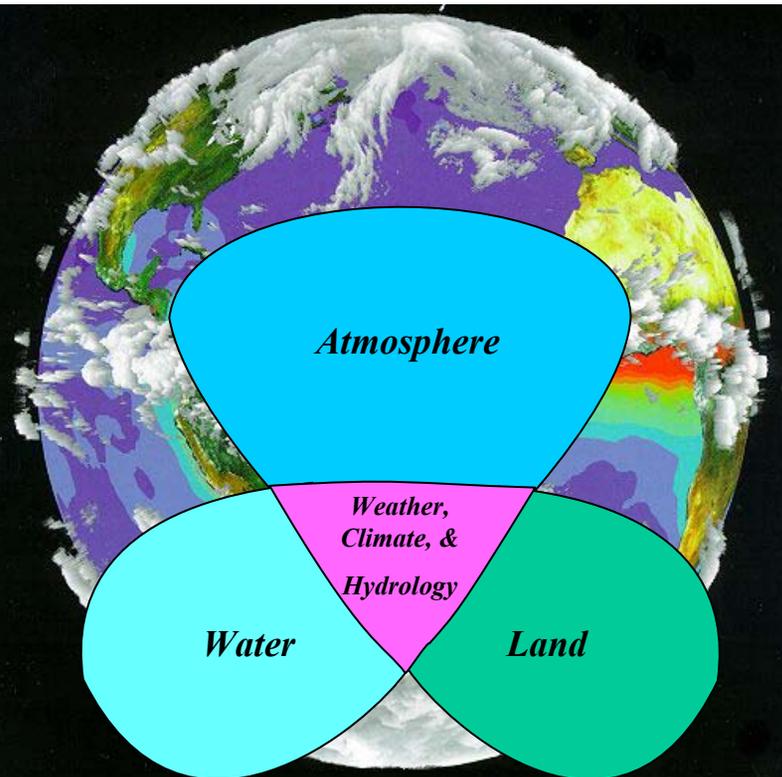
- **Improved Climate Predictions:** through progress in quantifying trends & space-time variations of rainfall & associated error bars in conjunction with improvements in achieving water budget closure from low to high latitudes -- plus focused GCM research on advanced understanding of relationship between rain microphysics/latent heating/DSD properties & climate variations as mediated by accompanying accelerations of both atmospheric & surface branches of global water cycle.
- **Improved Weather Predictions:** through accurate, precise, frequent & globally distributed measurements of instantaneous rainrate & latent heat release -- plus focused research on more advanced NWP techniques in satellite precipitation assimilation & error characterization of precipitation retrievals.
- **Improved Hydrological Predictions:** through frequent sampling & complete continental coverage of high resolution precipitation measurements including snowfall -- plus focused research on more innovative designs in hydrometeorological modeling emphasizing hazardous flood forecasting, seasonal draught-flood outlooks, & fresh water resources prediction.



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GPM Mission's Nine (9) Science Working Groups

USGCRP WCSG, 2001: A plan for a new science initiative on the global water cycle. *UCAR Report.*, sponsored by USDA, DOE, NASA, NOAA, NSF, USGS, ACE, BREC, & EPA, 118 pp.



- (1) **Global Water & Energy Cycle Processes & Modeling: Role of Precipitation** (Prof. Eric Wood, Princeton)
- (2) **Climate System Variability & Climate Diagnostics: Role of Precipitation** (Dr. Franklin Robertson, NASA/MSFC @ GHCC)
- (3) **Climate Model Simulations & Reanalysis, NWP Techniques, & Data Assimilation: Role of Precipitation** (Dr. Arthur Hou, NASA/GSFC)
- (4) **Land Surface Hydrology & Hydrometeorological Modeling: Role of Precipitation** (Dr. Harry Cooper, Fla. State Univ.)
- (5) **Ocean Surface & Marine Boundary Layer Processes: Role of Precipitation** (Dr. Vikram Mehta, NASA/GSFC)
- (6) **Coupled Cloud-Radiation Modeling: Physical Interpretation of Precipitation Processes** (Prof. Gregory Tripoli, Univ. Wis. & Dr. Wei-K. Tao, NASA/GSFC)
- (7a) **Precipitation Retrieval: Reference Radar-Radiometer Core Algorithm & Radar Simulator** (Dr. Ziad Haddad, NASA/JPL)
- (7b) **Precipitation Retrieval: Parametric Radiometer Constellation Algorithm & Radiometer Simulator** (Prof. Christian Kummerow, Colo. State Univ.)
- (7c) **Precipitation Retrieval: Cal Transfer, Bias Removal, & Merged Products** (Prof. Eric Smith, NASA/GSFC)
- (8) **Calibration & Validation of Satellite Precipitation Measurements** (Dr. Sandra Yuter & Prof. Robert Houze, Univ. Washington)
- (9) **Forecast Apps, Public Service, TV, & Educational Outreach** (Dr. Marshall Shepherd, NASA/GSFC)



Document Status

NASA GPM Report Series (Smith & Adams, eds)

1 Summary of 1st GPM Partners Planning Workshop	Shepherd, Mehta, Smith	printed
□ Benefits to Partnering with GPM Mission	Stocker	printed
□ Scientific Assessment of High-Frequency Radiometer Channels on GPM Core Satellite for Warm and Light Rain plus Snow Measurement	Liu & Flaming	in press
□ Scientific Assessment of Cross-Track STAR Radiometer Flown Bore-Sighted with Dual-Frequency Radar on GPM Core Satellite	Wilheit & Everett	
□ Potential Tropical Open Ocean Precipitation Validation Sites	Adkins & Yuter	in press
6 Description of Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) Mission	Smith, Mehta, Shepherd	in review
7 Bridging from TRMM to GPM to 3-Hourly Precipitation Estimates	Shepherd & Smith	in press
8 Description of GPM Project	Adams et al	in review
9 GPM Core Satellite Trade Space Analysis	Everett et al	draft form

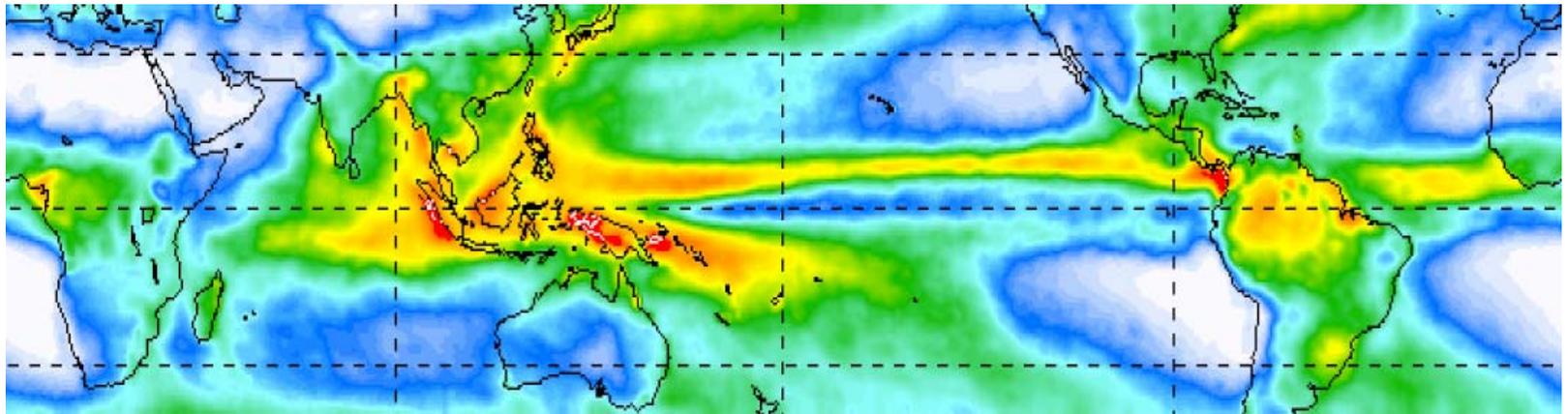
Additional Publications

1. The Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) Mission	Smith et al	Plinius 3
2. Potential Applications of LRR-STAR Technology for GPM Mission	Smith et al	ESTC-2
3 Draft GPM Science Implementation Plan (SIP)	Smith (editor)	rough draft

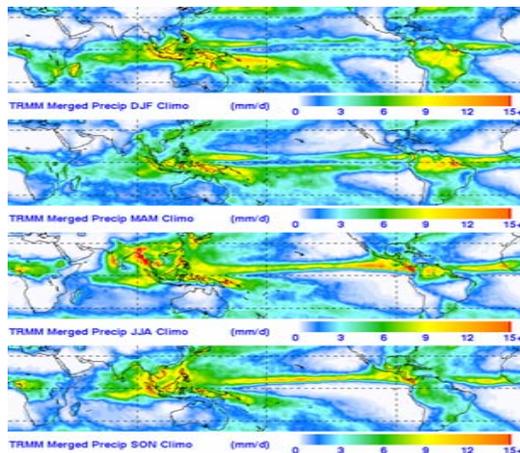


Three-Year TRMM Climatology

January 1998 - October 2000



TRMM Merged Precip Annual Climo (mm/d)



N.H. Winter

N.H. Spring

N.H. Summer

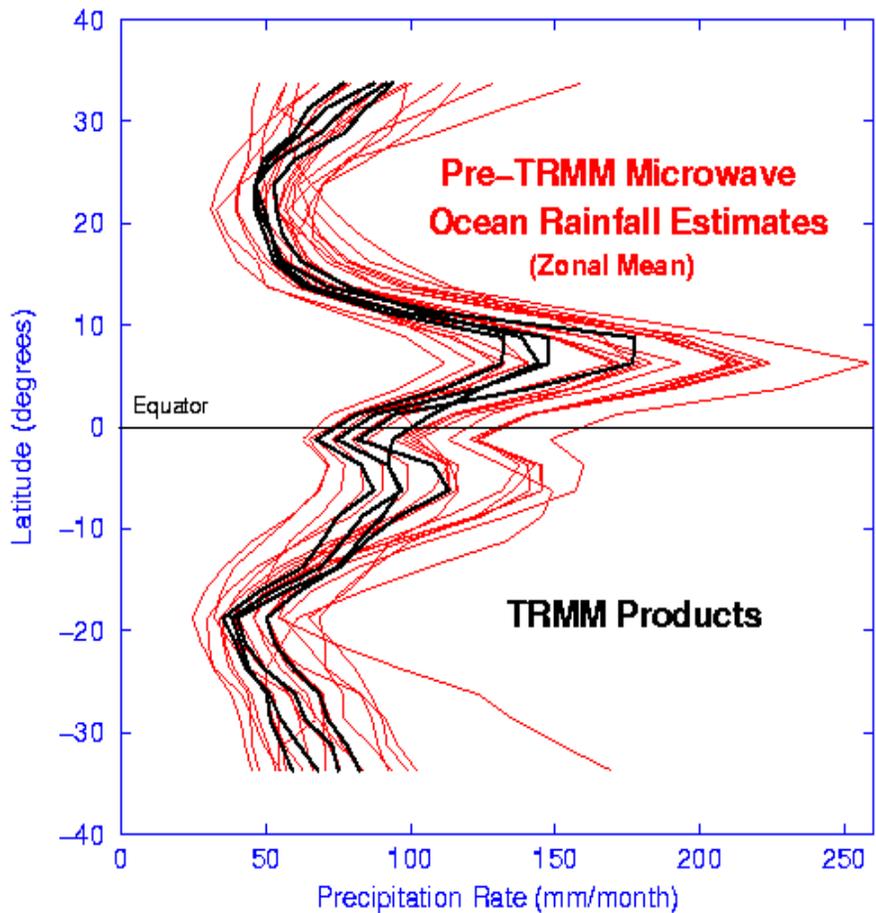
N.H. Fall



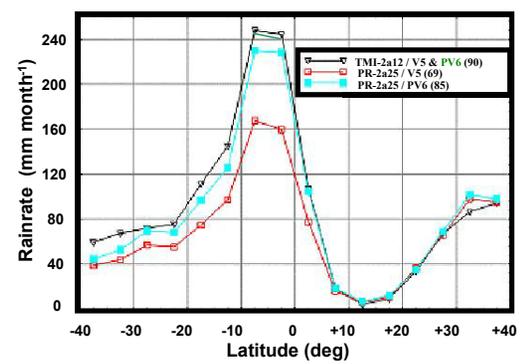


Algorithm Improvement

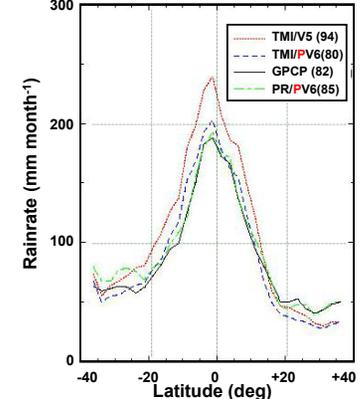
Annual Rainfall



TRMM Zonal Averaged Surface Rainrate (Ocean)
[Feb-1998]
[tropical averages given in key]



TRMM Zonal Averaged Surface Rainrate (Land)
[Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct 1998-2000]
[tropical averages given in key]

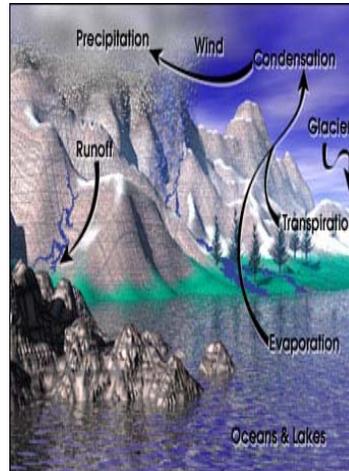




Comparing Science Agendas of TRMM & GPM

GPM TRMM Science Focus

- ◆ Generate 1st complete climatology of oceanic rainfall using high quality space-based rain measuring instruments & physics-quality retrieval algorithms.
- ◆ Determine vertical structure of rainrate & associated latent heating for improved understanding of climate.
- ◆ Acquire unique views and new information on hurricanes and typhoons.
- ◆ Develop calibration standard for correcting 15-year old satellite rainfall record obtained from SSM/I.
- ◆ Produce merger of TRMM rainfall measurements with estimates from satellite infrared observations to produce higher frequency rainfall time sampling.
- ◆ Use extended rainfall datasets for global climate modeling, storm monitoring, and hydrological applications.



*Key Ongoing
& Future
Components
of NASA's
GWEC
Initiative*

GPM Science Focus

- ◆ Extend high quality rainfall observations to mid- & high-latitudes (i.e., > 35N).
- ◆ Use microwave satellite constellation to significantly improve spatial & temporal sampling of global rainfall.
- ◆ Improve accuracy & reduce uncertainty in rainfall measurements from better radar microphysics capability (i.e., size of drops, fall velocity of drops, phase of water).
- ◆ Observe broader spectrum of precipitation (e.g., light/warm rain, & snow).
- ◆ Extend high quality precipitation record (from TRMM onward) for detection of important trends and variations in global water cycle & climate.
- ◆ Expand applications to climate change simulations, weather forecasts, fresh water resource management, flood prediction, oceanography, public outreach, & TV broadcasting.

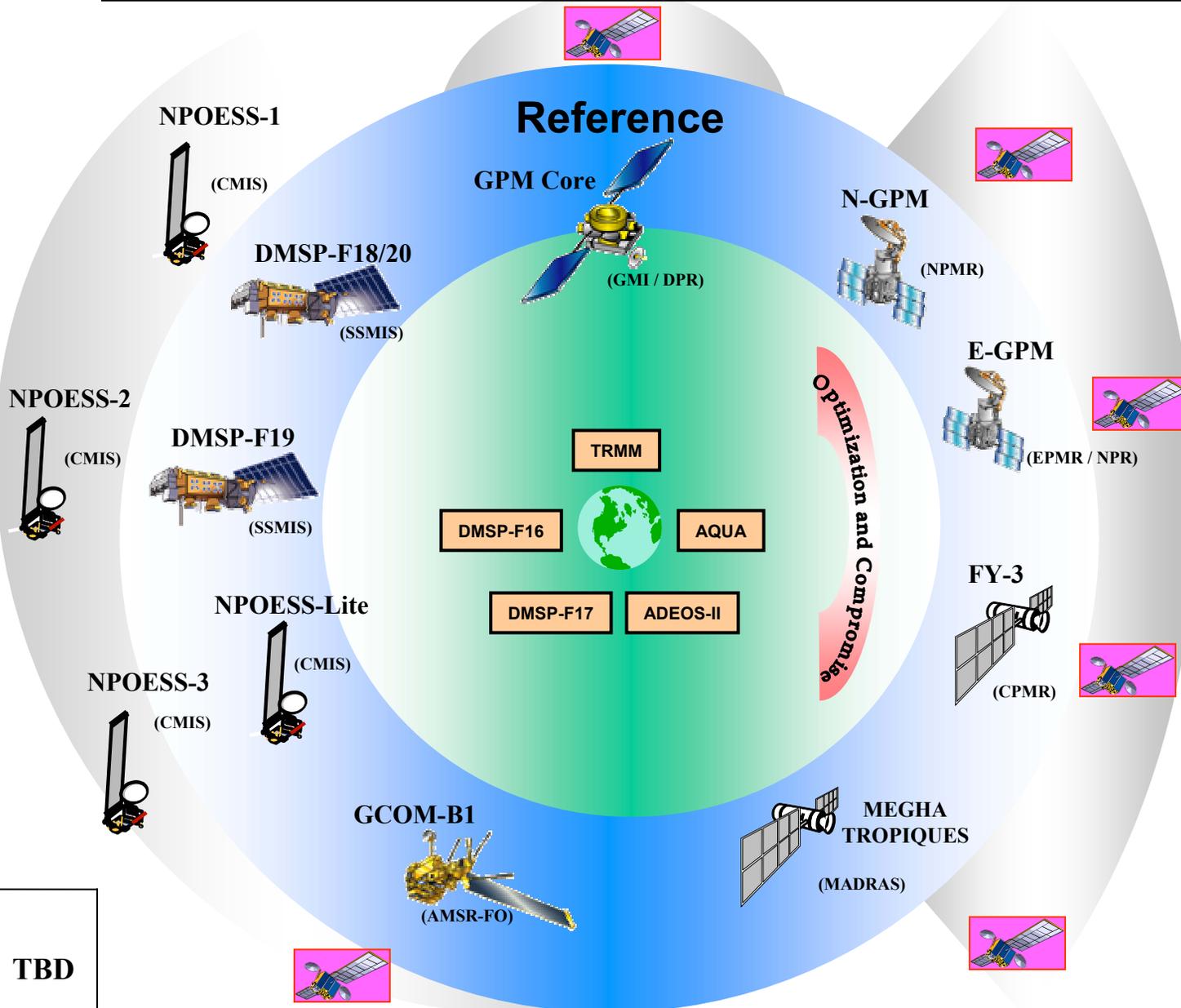


Currently Conceived Constellation Architecture

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Co-Op Drone Partners

Potential New Drones/Partners





GPM: Constellation Mission of Opportunity & Good Citizenship

<u>Satellite</u>	<u>Main Purpose</u>	<u>Critical Role in Constellation</u>
1. GPM Core [NASA/NASDA]	GPM rain reference system	calibration, rain radar physics, liquid/frozen precip, tropical-midlatitude sampling
2 & 3. DMSP [IPO]	US: NOAA/DOD met-ops & res	liquid/frozen precip, full global sampling
4. NPOESS-Lite [IPO]	US: NOAA/DOD met-ops & res	liquid/frozen precip, full global sampling
5. GCOM-B1 [NASDA]	Japan: environ/hydro res & JMA met-ops	liquid/frozen precip, full global sampling
6. E-GPM [ESA]	EU: cold seasons/flash flood/ data-assim res & EU met-ops	rain radar physics, liquid/frozen precip, full global sampling
7. N-GPM [NASA]	US: MW radiometer technology testbed	liquid precip, full global sampling
8. Megha Tropiques [ISRO/CNES]	India/France: tropical water cycle res	liquid/frozen precip, intensive tropical sampling
9. FY-3 [CSM]	China: CMA met-ops & res	liquid/frozen precip, full global sampling





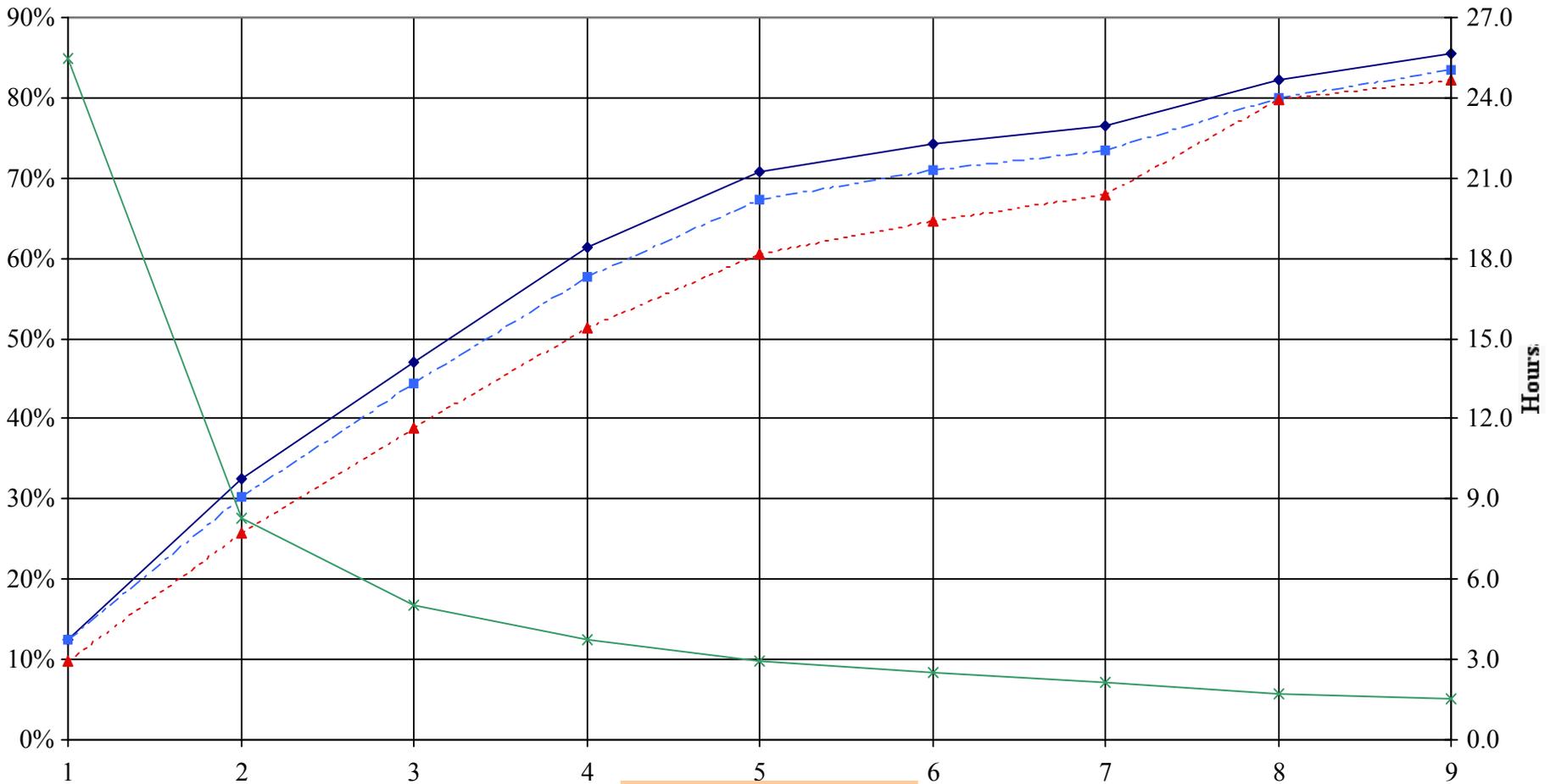
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Percent Sampling of 3-Hr Bins & Global Mean Revisit Time

CORE DMSP/F18 DMSP/F19 NPOESS/Lite GCOM-B1 NGPM EGPM MEGHA-TROPIQUES FY-3



Number of Satellites

◆ 90N-90S □ 60N-60S ▲ 30N-30S * Global Mean Average

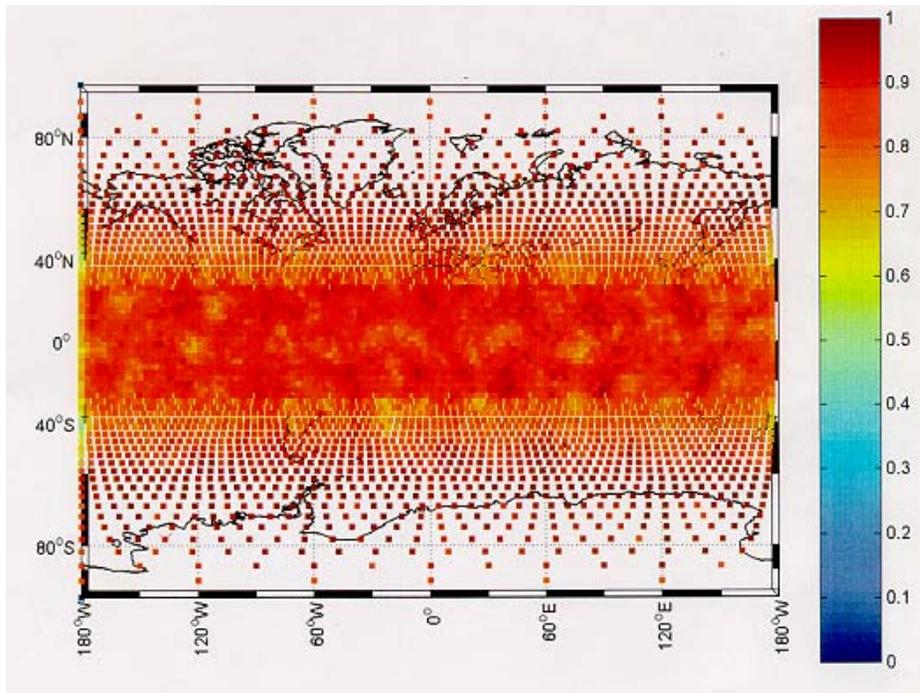




Percentage of 3-Hour Intervals Sampled in 7-Day Period

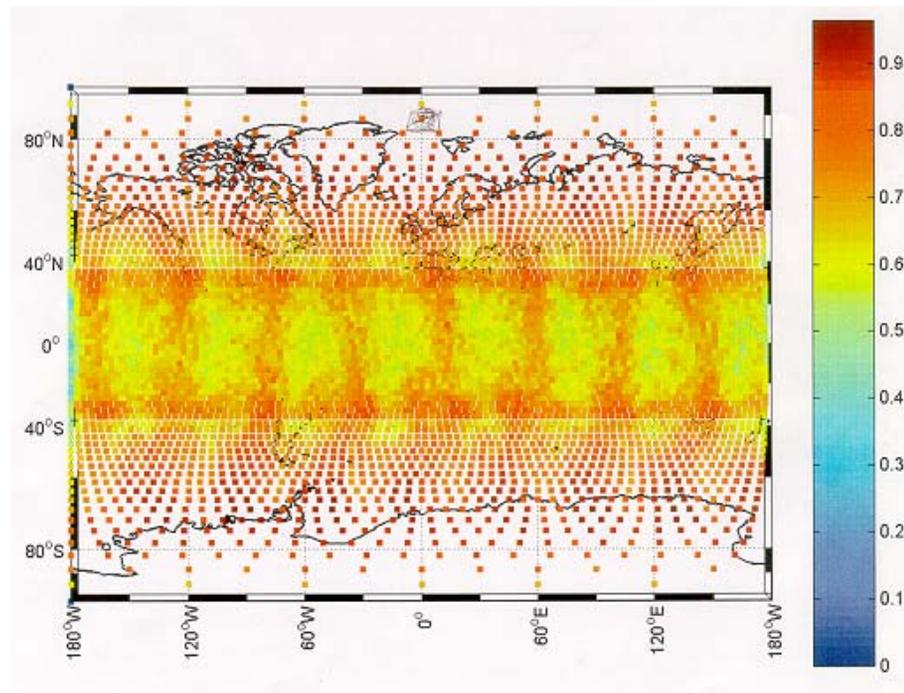
Precipitation Sampling Worldwide: *Constant Area Pixels*

GPM Era



*GPM Core, DMSP-F18 & -F19, GCOM-B1,
Megha-Tropiques,
& Three 600-km Drones
@ 34°, 84°, 90° Inclination*

EOS Era



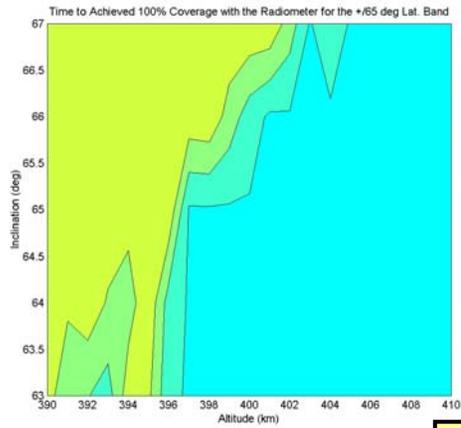
*TRMM, DMSP-F13, -F14, & -F15,
Aqua, & ADEOS-II*



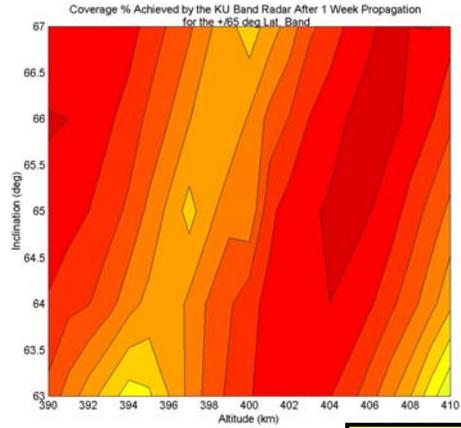
Core Satellite Trade Space Analysis (Earth coverage)

[for GMI -- days to achieve 100% coverage over $\pm 65^\circ$ latitude zone]

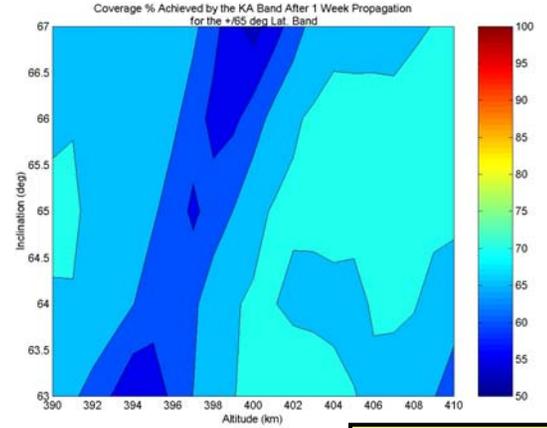
[for Ku- & Ka-band radars -- % coverage achieved after 7 days over $\pm 65^\circ$ latitude zone]



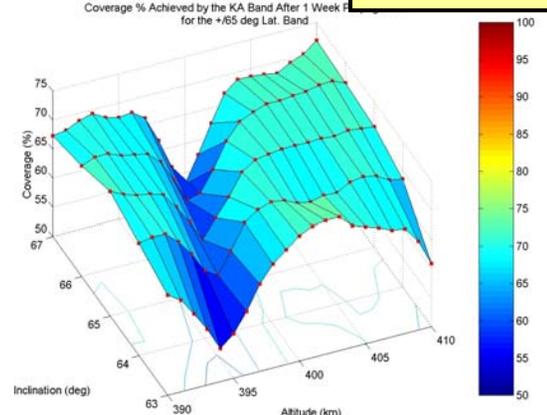
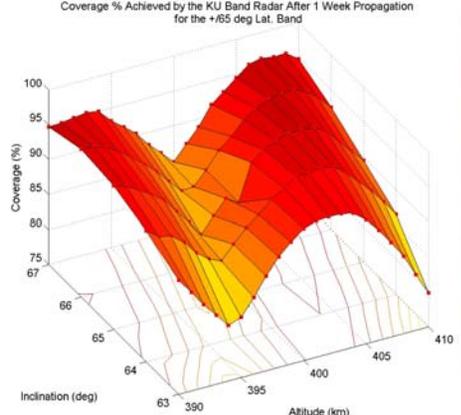
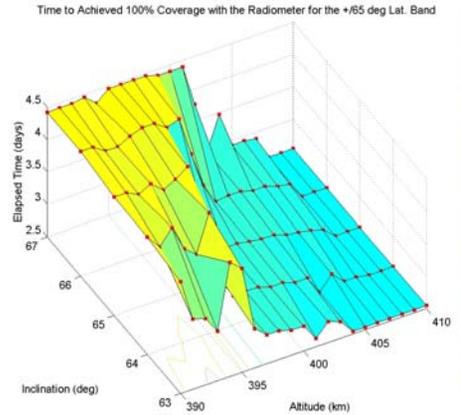
GMI



Ku-Band



Ka-Band



[390 - 410 km altitude range / 63 - 67 deg inclination range]

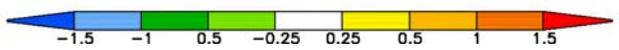
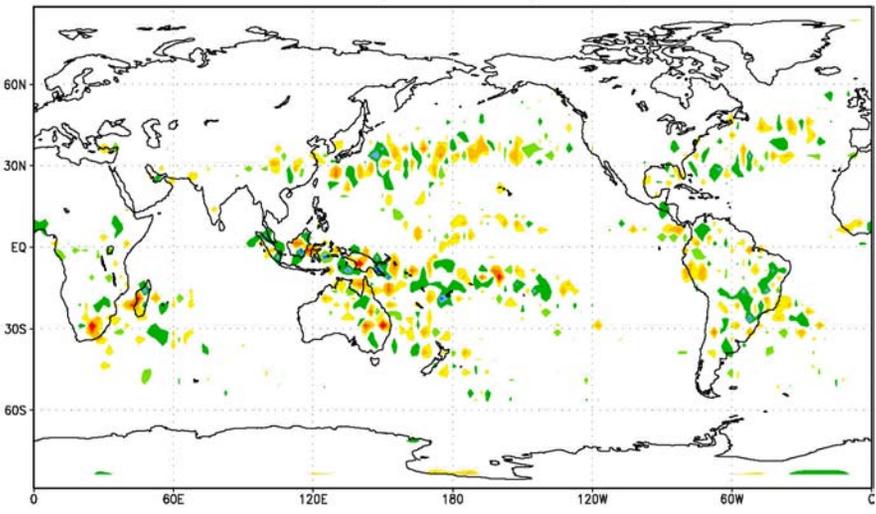




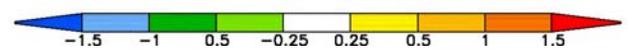
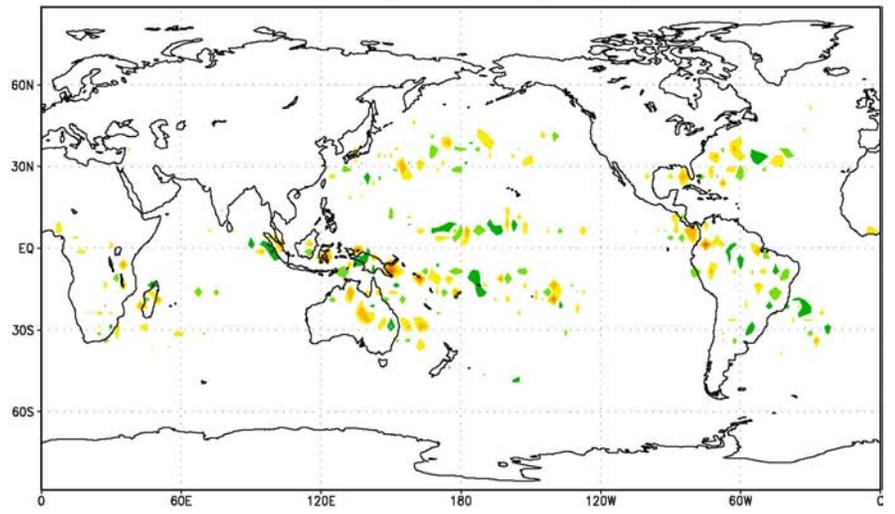
Observing Simulation System Experiment (OSSE) for Orthodox 8-Member Sun-Synchronous Constellation Producing Global 3-Hour Sampling [Flown at Two Swath Widths]

Precipitation field produced by Colorado State University General Circulation Model
(GCM) simulating January conditions
[characteristic monthly errors order 0.25 mm day^{-1} or $\sim 7 \text{ W m}^{-2}$]

800 km Swath Width viz TMI



1600 km Swath Width viz SSM/I

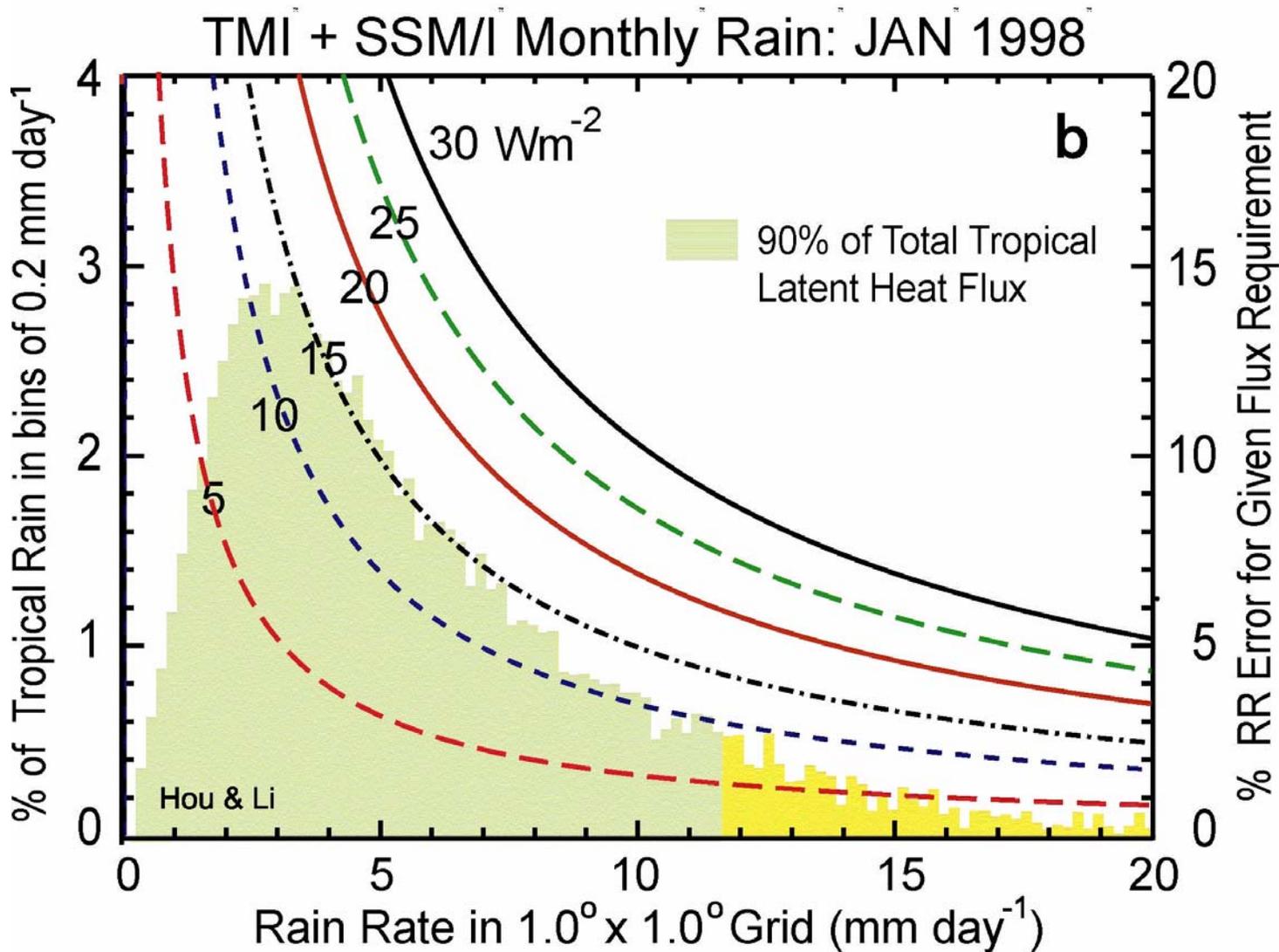


Rainfall Deviations (satellite sampled minus fully sampled in mm day^{-1})





Quantification & Interpretation of Required Precipitation Accuracy in Context of Tolerable Energy Flux Error





Improving Precipitation Retrievals

Cloud Macrophysical & Microphysical Fundamentals

Determination of:
 drop size distribution [DSD(r)],
 mass mixing ratio [q(z)_{hydro(r)}],
 rain mass flux [F_r(z)],
 fall velocity [w(z)_{hydro(r)}],
 & latent heating [LH(z)]

$$q(z)_{hydro(r)} = \sigma_w (4/3\pi r^3) DSD(r)$$

$$w(z)_{hydro(r)} = GFO [q(z)_{hydro(r)}]$$

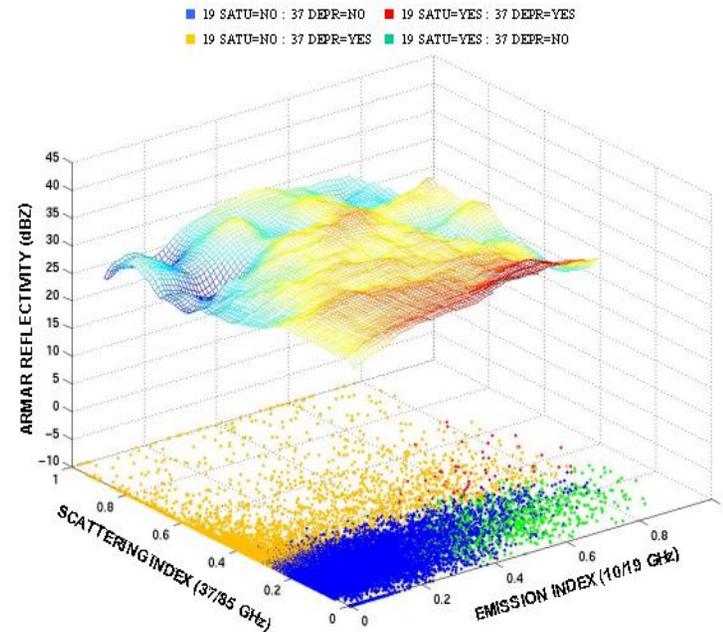
$$F_r(z) = \int q(z)_{hydro(r)} w(z)_{hydro(r)} dr$$

$$LH(z) = C [\partial F_r(z) / \partial z]$$

$$RR(z) = F_r(z) / \sigma_w$$

$$RF_{sur} = RR(z_{sur}) \square \Delta t$$

3-D KWAJEX AMPR V4.0 E-S INDEX WITH 0.5-1 KM LAYER ARMAR REFLECTIVITY
 28 FLIGHTS TOTAL --- 40140 SUPERPIXELS



Implementation of Fully Modular **OPEN ACCESS** Facility Algorithms
 Accompanied by **COMPREHENSIVE TESTING** Capability within WPDC

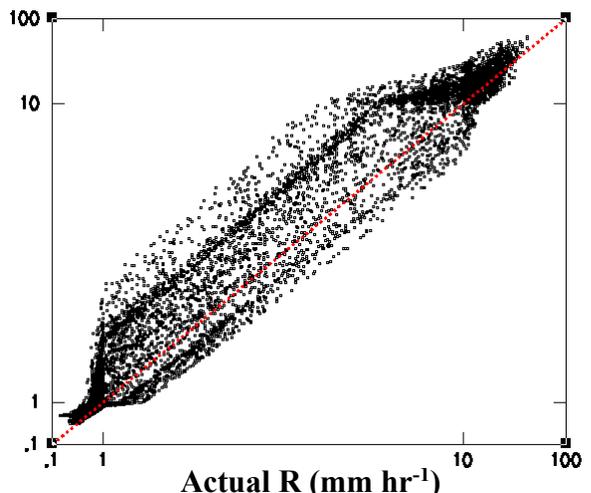




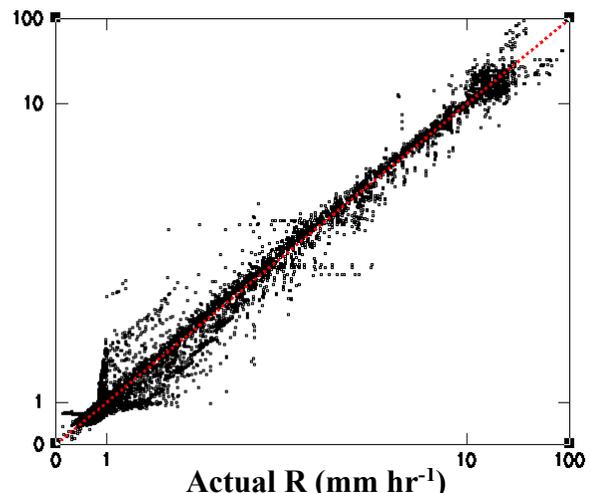
TRMM & GPM Rainrate Retrieval Simulations Under Varying Mean Adj Drop Diameter Profiles

[simulations based on Monte Carlo proliferation of Hurricane Bonnie observations]

TRMM Single-Frequency Algorithm
(bias due to irretrievable DSD variability)



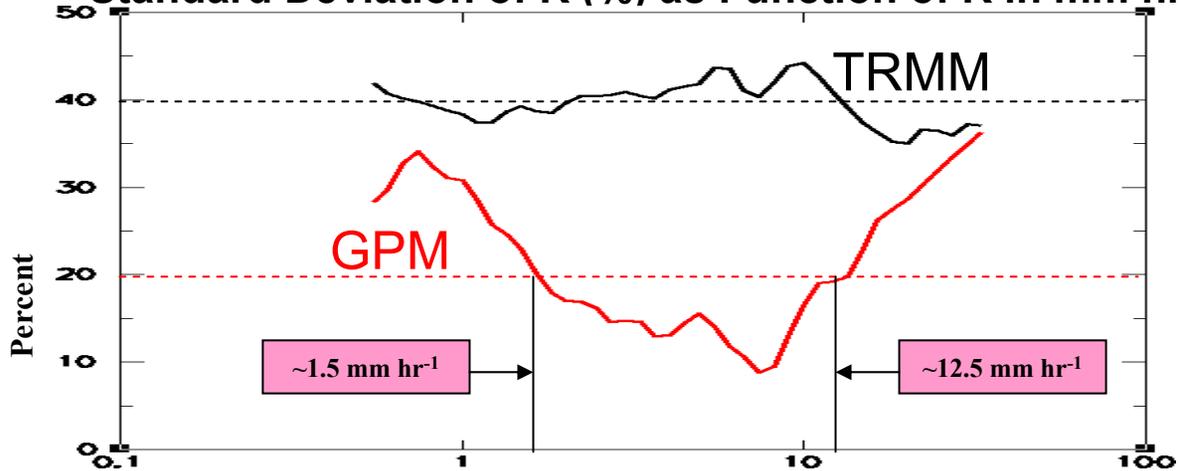
GPM Dual-Frequency Algorithm
(near-zero bias & reduced scatter in mid-range)



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R
(mm hr⁻¹)

Standard Deviation of R (%) as Function of R in mm hr⁻¹)



with R approximately log-normal then σ_R proportional to R

exact variability depends on DSD variability in altitude

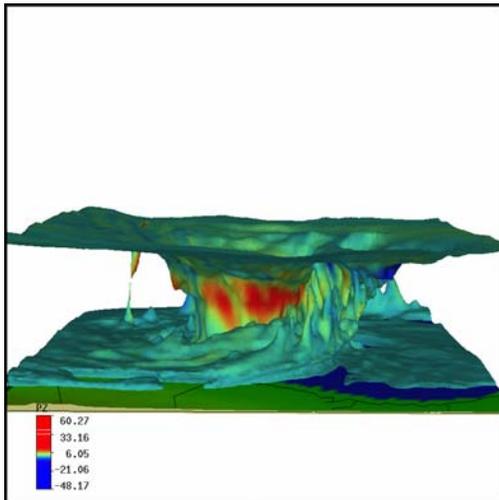




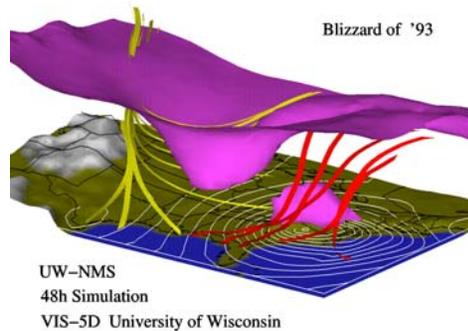
Example for Weather Prediction

Cloud Resolving Model Simulations from UW-NMS for

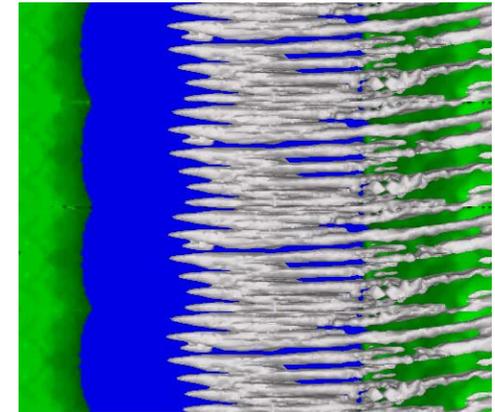
Establishing Cloud-Radiation Relationships



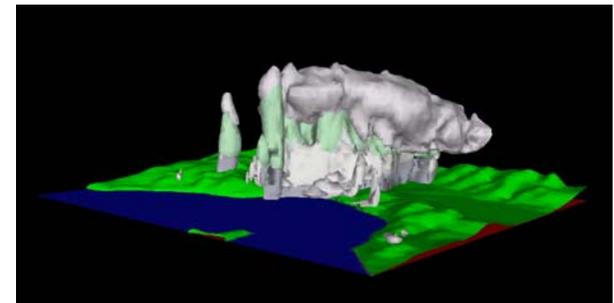
**Explicit Convection
in Hurricane Bonnie**



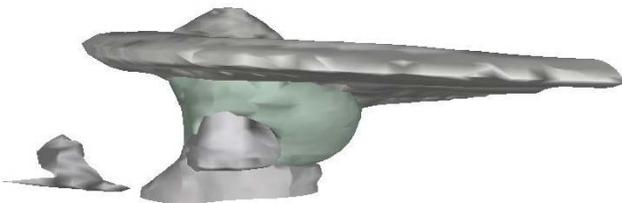
Middle-Latitude Cyclone



**Lake-Effects
Roll Convection**



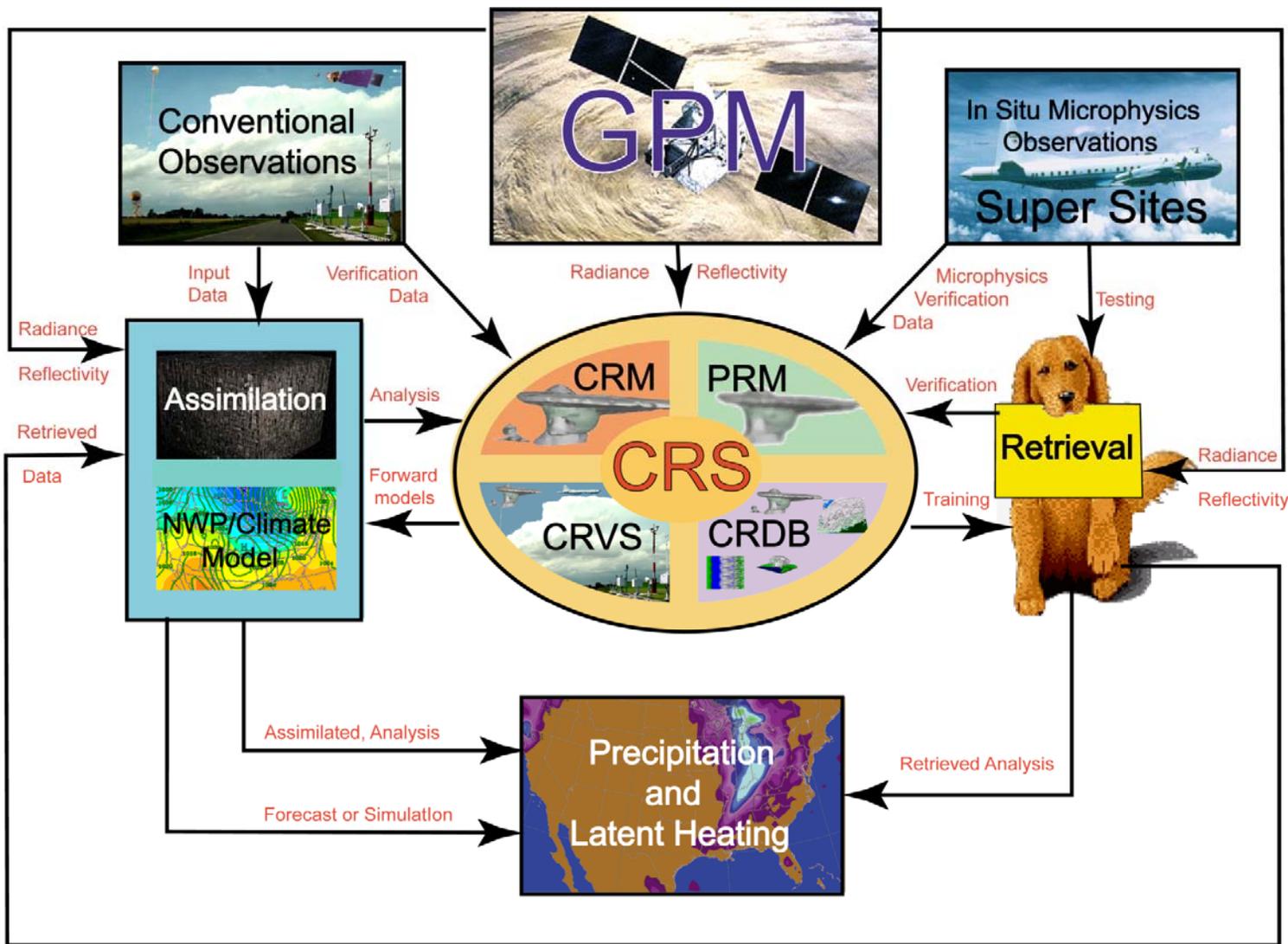
**Alps Orographic-Convective
Storm**



**Supercell
Thunderstorm**



Principles of Cloud-Radiation Modeling





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Proposed GPM Precipitation Products

I. Level 2 Orbit Swath Products (similar to TRMM)

II. Level 3 Grid Products (modification to TRMM)

- **arithmetically consistent succession:**
 - (1) 3-hourly @ 0.1 x 0.1 deg;
 - (2) daily @ .25 x .25 deg;
 - (3) pentad @ 1.0 x 1.0 deg;
 - (4) monthly @ 5.0 x 5.0 deg
- **simplified & integrated parameter set:**
 - (1) surface rainrate/rainfall & grid variance;
 - (2) convective-stratiform separation;
 - (3) bulk DSD parameters;
 - (4) latent heating profile;
 - (5) confidence index
- **four (4) types of retrieval results ordered by retrieval quality:**
 - (1) core sat result (combined DPR - GMI);
 - (2) constellation sat result (rain radiometers)
 - (3) non-rain radiometer result (e.g., AMSU);
 - (4) geo-infrared result (GOES, GMS, METEOSAT, MSG)

III. Full Resolution Pixel Tables (extension to TRMM)

- **tabulates all instantaneous rain pixels from all satellite sources within individual 3-hourly 0.1 x 0.1 deg grid elements, identified in space & time**

IV. Level 4 Scale Invariant Blended Products (new)

- **properly transformed to constant space-time scales**

Goal is relatively seamless transition of precipitation products from TRMM to GPM eras, thus minimizing mission change impacts on science community.

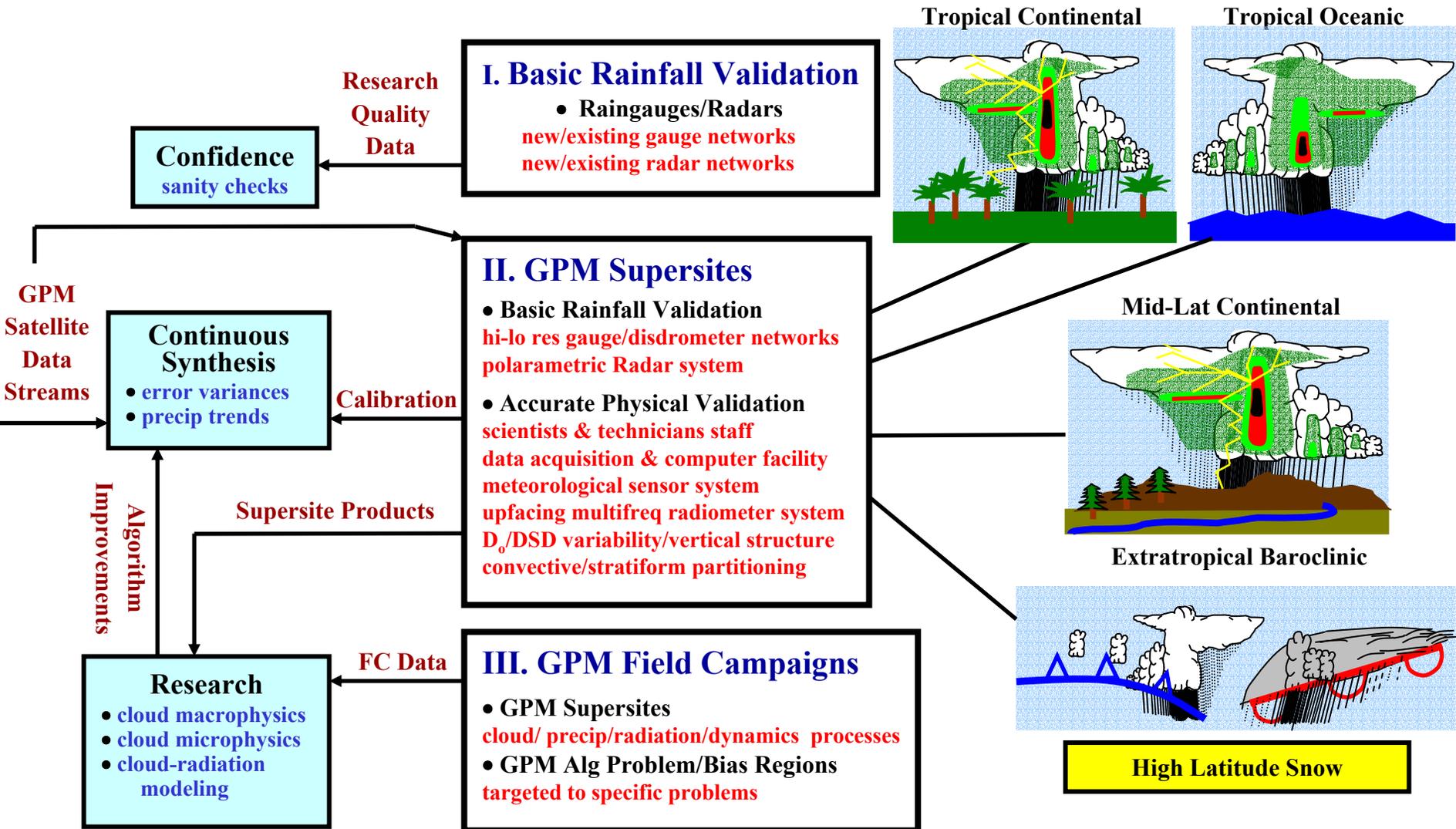


Validation Expectations from Research & Operations End Users

- **Validation should be treated as important as retrieval because improved prediction depends on it.**
- **Error characterization of satellite precipitation retrievals is needed to support:**
 - (a) Algorithm Improvement -- for reducing bias & precision errors in retrieved precipitation estimates;**
 - (b) Climate Diagnostic Analysis -- for assessing physical significance of trends/variability in observed precipitation time series;**
 - (c) Data Assimilation -- for improving climate reanalyses, numerical weather prediction, & hydrometeorological forecasting.**
 - (d) Validation Research -- for advancing validation techniques, validation measuring systems, & space instrumentation.**



GPM Validation Strategy





Error Characterization (accuracy)

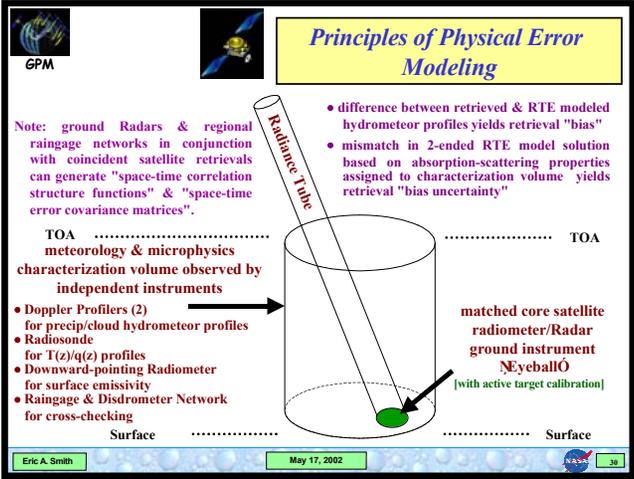
Bias & Bias Uncertainty

$$\overline{\varepsilon}(\theta, t, RR)_{i,j} \pm \Delta \overline{\varepsilon}(\theta, t, RR)_{i,j}$$

$i = 1, 2$ for ocean, continent
 $j = 1, 2$ for convective, stratiform

- based on:
- physical error model (**passive-active RTE model**)
 - matched satellite radiometer/radar instrument on ground with continuous calibration (**eyeball**)
 - **independent** measurements of observed inputs needed for error model

Based on Physical Error Model



All retrievals from constellation radiometers & other satellite instruments are bias adjusted according to bias estimate for reference algorithm from core satellite.





Error Characterization (precision)

$$J(x) = (x^b - x)^T F^{-1} (x^b - x) + (y^o - H(x))^T (O + P)^{-1} (y^o - H(x))$$

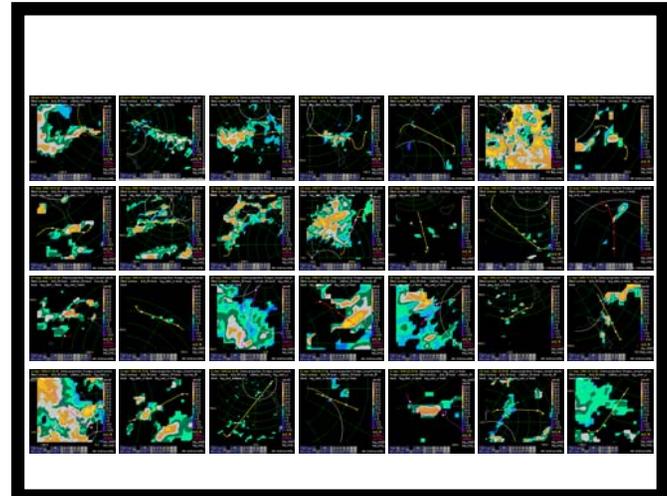
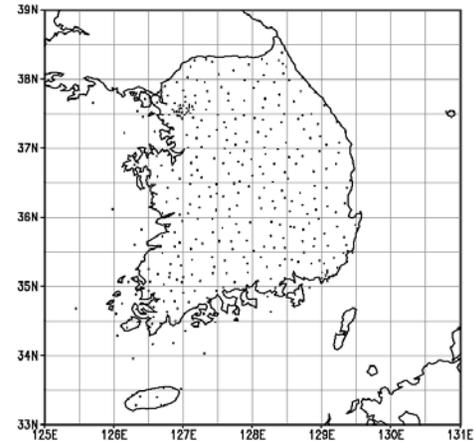
***P**, **O**, & **F** are error covariance matrices associated with forecast model, observations, & forward model (precip parameterization), where **y^o**, **H**, & **x** are observation, forward model, & control variable.*

Space-Time Error Covariance

regional (validation sites) space-time structure funcs from
 grnd radars/ regional gage nets & coinc satellite retrievals
 $COR(x,y,z,t)_{obs}$ & $COR(x,y,z,t)_{sat}$
 global space -time error covariance function from
 $COV(x,y,z,t)_{err} = F[DPR(Z field)] -$
 $T [\Sigma(COR(x,y,z,t)_{sat} - COR(x,y,z,t)_{obs})^2]$
 for all $x,y,z,$ & t where F based on val -site training data

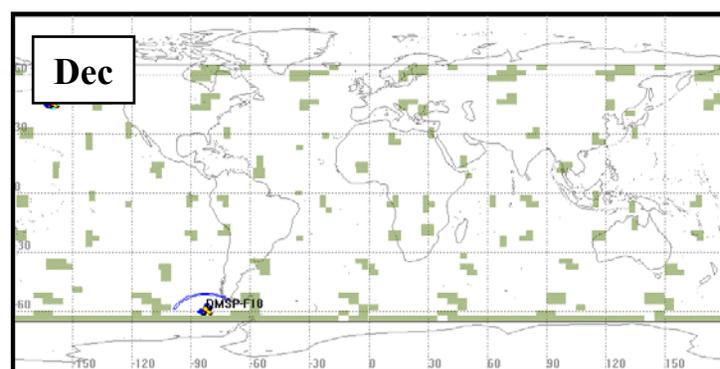
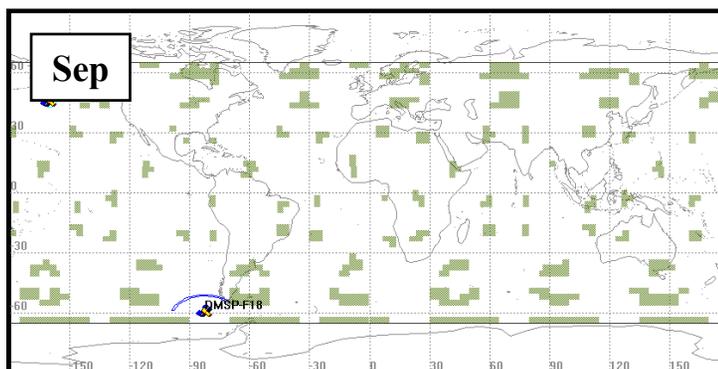
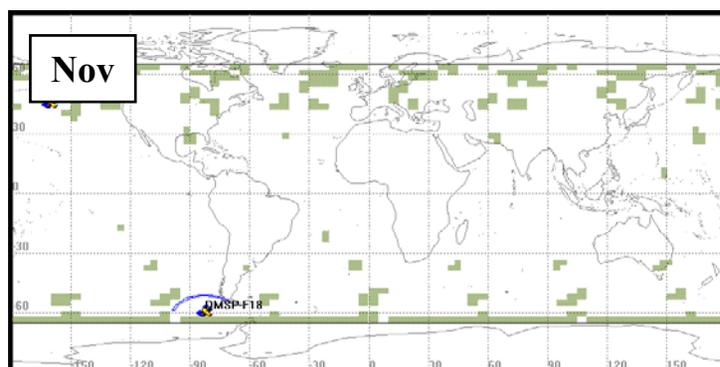
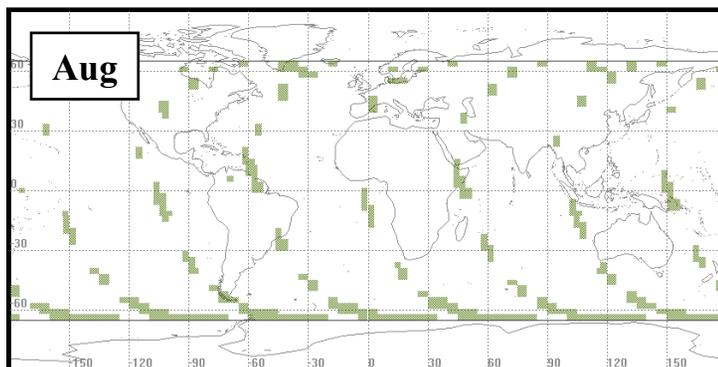
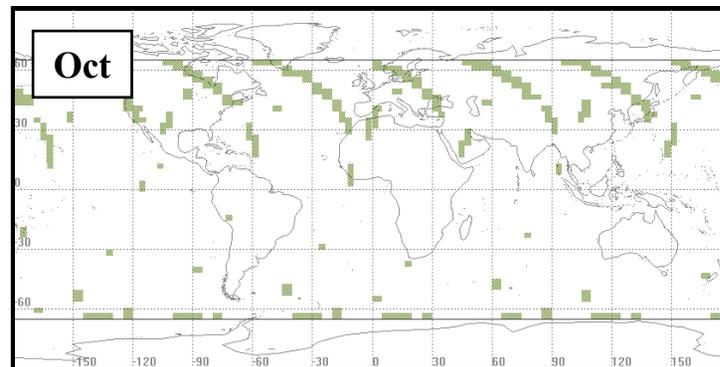
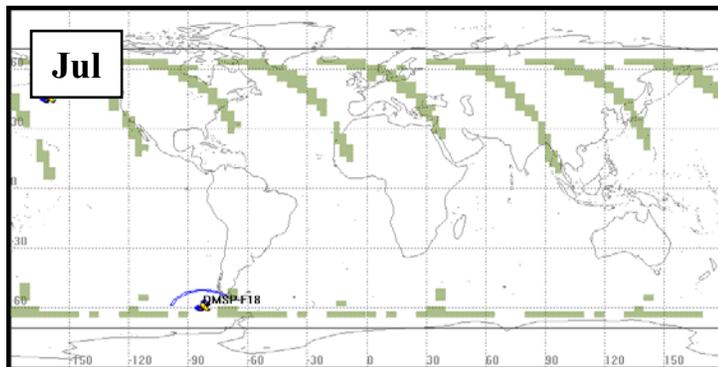
- based on:
- ground Radars (**polarization diversity enables cross-checking**)
 - high-quality, uniformly distributed, dense, & hi-frequency sampled raingage networks

One Minute Raingage Network over Korea





Core Satellite/GMI - DMSP/SSMIS Intersections (1-min proximity) July through December [*touch resolution is 5x5 deg*]

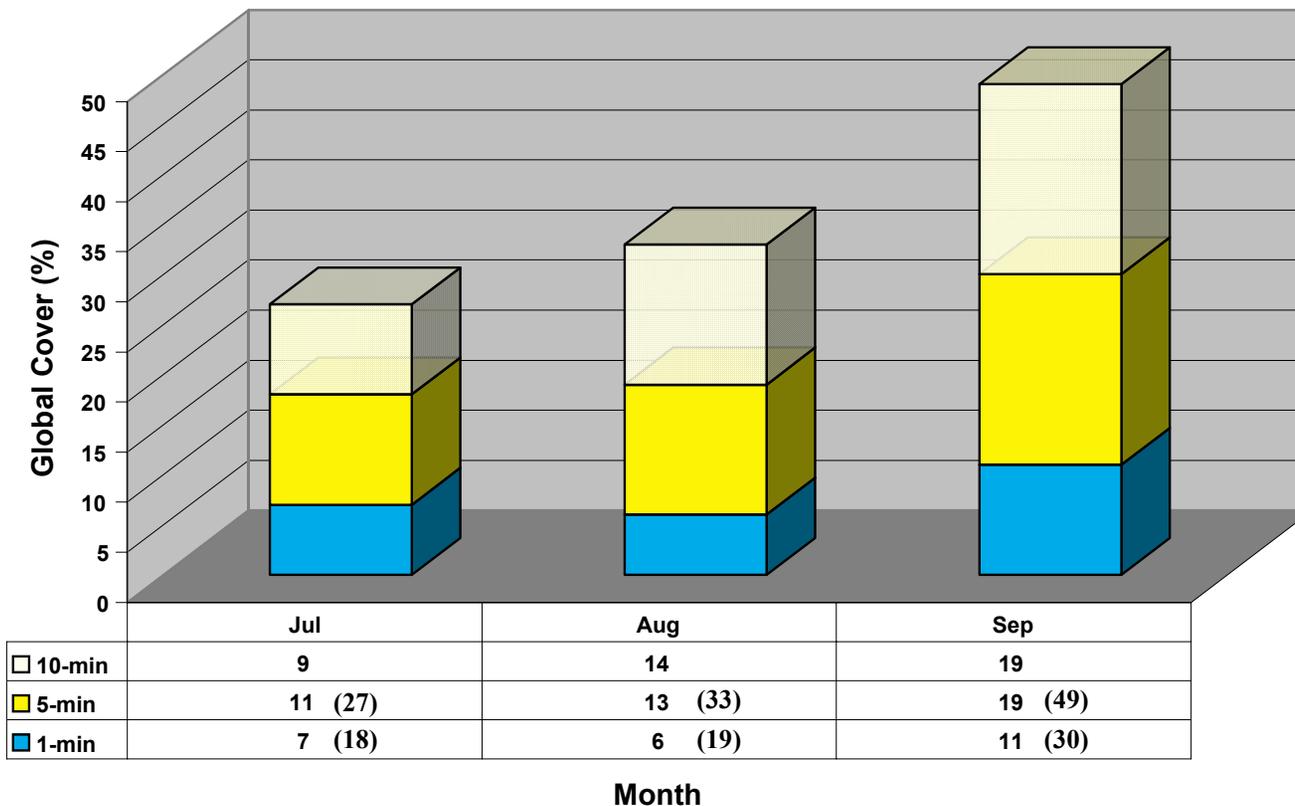




Percentage Global Coverage of Intersection Regions

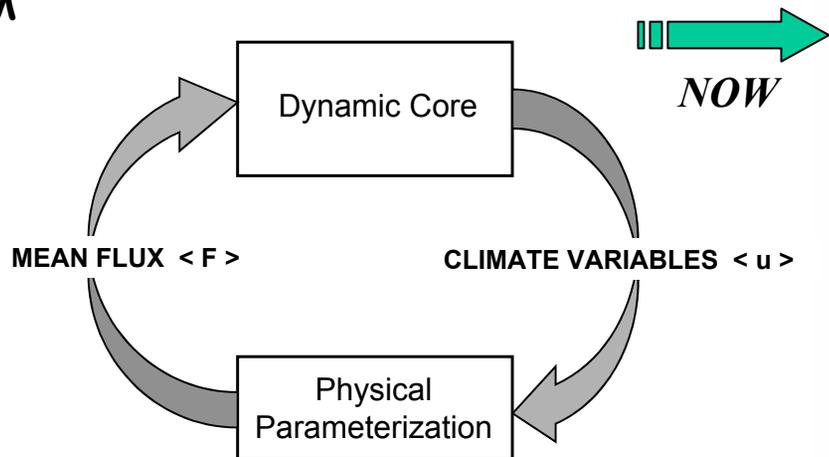
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 July - August [*touch resolution is 5x5 deg*]

■ 1-min ■ 5-min □ 10-min

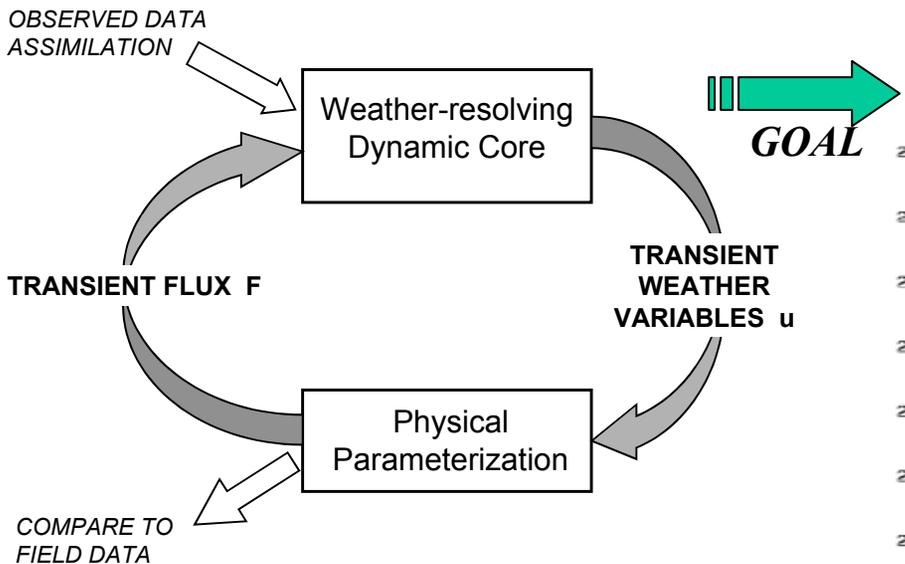




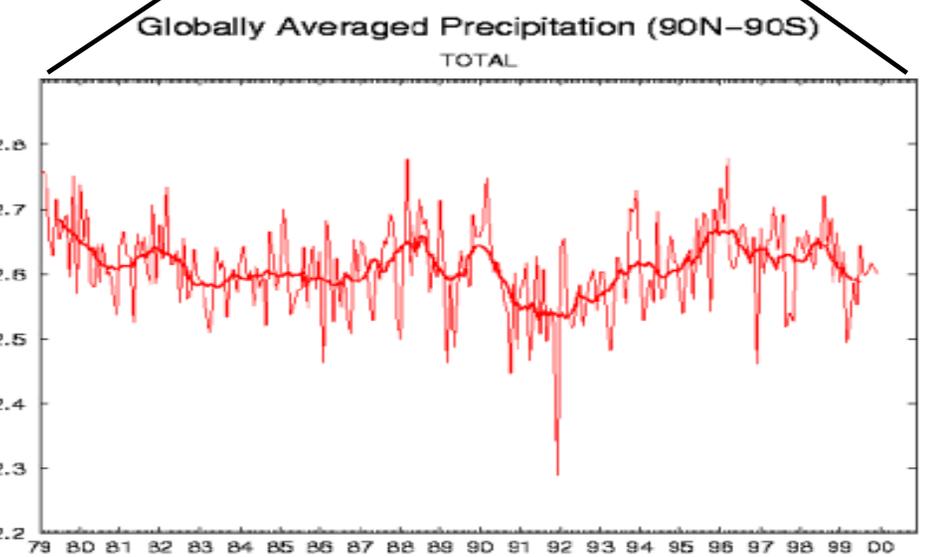
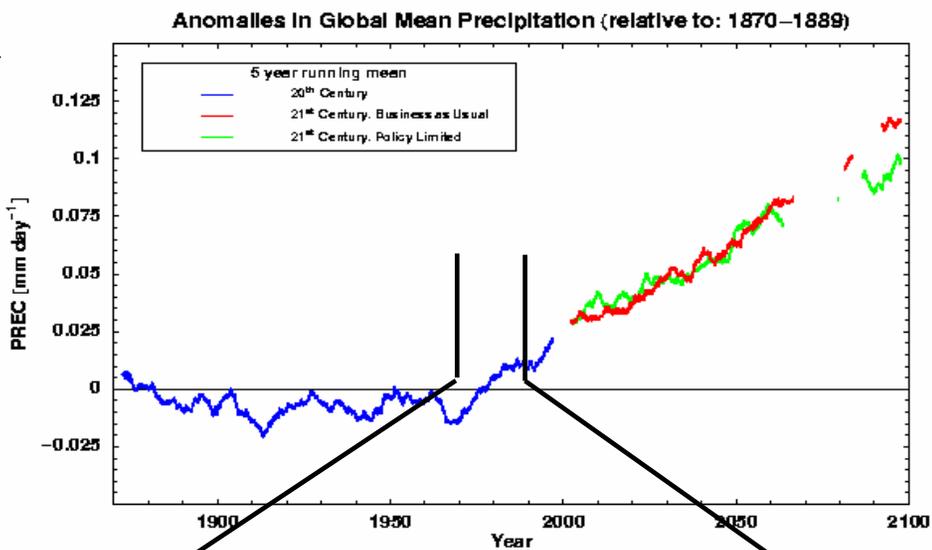
Precipitation Prediction: Key Objective of Water Cycle Research



State of Art Climate Model (CCM-3)



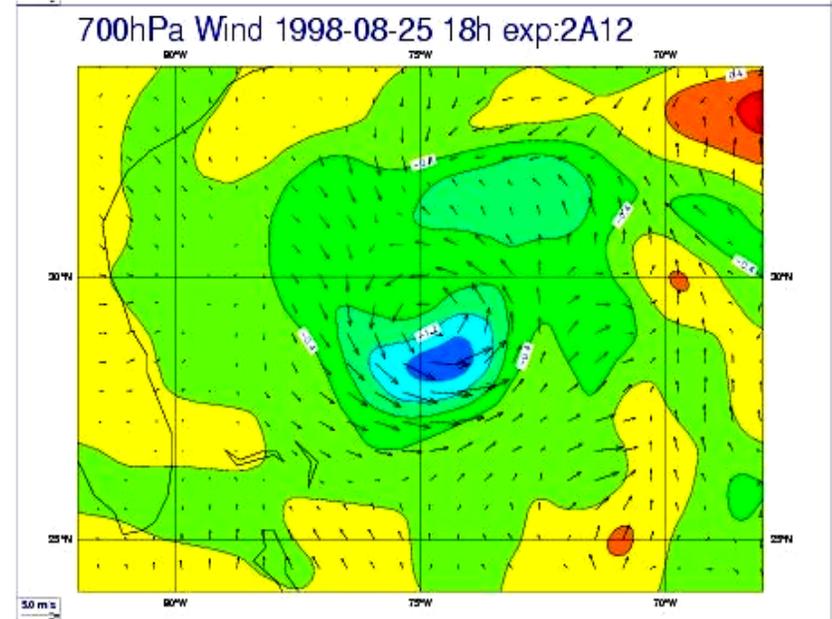
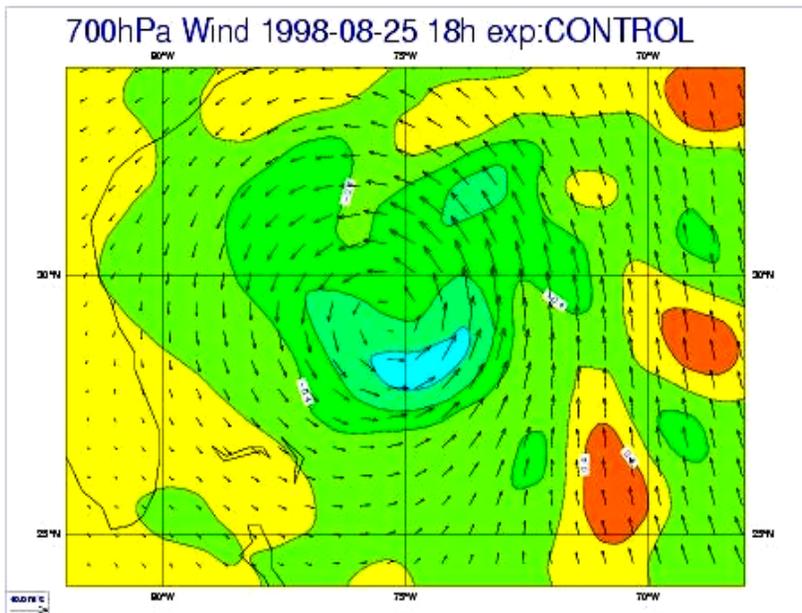
Next Generation Climate Model





Impact of TMI Rain Assimilation on Tropical Cyclone Dynamics

Horizontal & Vertical Winds in Tropical Cyclone Bonnie



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brown trajectories: > 2.0 km precipitation feed
green trajectories: < 1.5 km precipitation feed



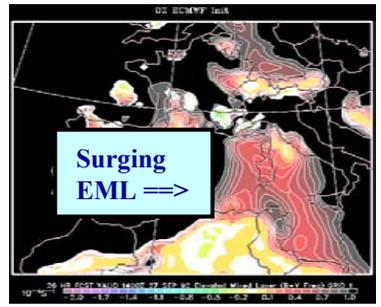
**Better Flood Predictions:
 CRM Simulation & Microphysical Analysis of Three (3) Late Season Mediterranean Floods**

Barrier Convergence Zone
 surface flow convergence set up off-shore
 due to flow normal to high alps terrain
 flow surge lifted over convergence zone off-shore (335 θ_e surface)

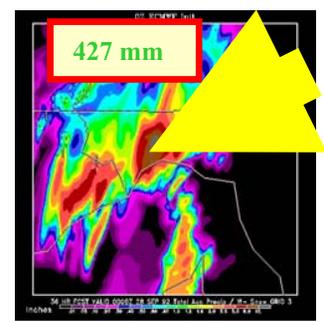
Amplifying Mesoscale Storms Arising within Mobile Westerly Disturbances under Control of Fixed Geography & Orography
 35/50 $m s^{-1}$ jet cores; 5 km MSL isobars (2 mb); surface temperature

Simulation of Low-Level Flows within Tyrrhenian, Ligurian, Ionian, & Adriatic Seas
 white (surface) -- orange (1.5 km)

Elevated Mixed Layer
 3 km MSL Brunt Vaisala Frequency



Inflow Cross-Section Surface θ_e (shaded)
 Stable Brünt-Vaisala Frequency (dark shading)



Piemonte - 2000

Friuli - 1998

Genova - 1992



NASA GPM Level 1 Science-Measurement Requirements

NASA GPM Science-Measurements Requirements [i Version 2/Feb 2002]

Measurement Factor	3-hourly (Instantaneous)			Daily Accumulation			Monthly Accumulation		Applications/Outreach	
	Climate	Weather	Hydromet	Climate	Weather	Hydromet	Climate	Hydromet	Weather	Hydromet
<i>Dynamic Range (mm hr⁻¹)</i>	^{ii,iii} 0.3 to 65	ⁱⁱⁱ 0.3 to 110	ⁱⁱⁱ 0.3 to 110	0 to 200 mm dy ⁻¹	0 to 600 mm dy ⁻¹	0 to 600 mm dy ⁻¹	0 to 600 mm mo ⁻¹	0 to 600 mm mo ⁻¹	ⁱⁱⁱ 0.3 to 110	ⁱⁱⁱ 0.3 to 110
<i>Sampling Period (hrs)</i>	² 3	² 3	² 3	² 3	² 3	² 3	² 6	² 6	² 3	² 3
<i>Spatial Resolution (km)</i>	² 20	² 10	² 10	² 50	² 20	² 20	² 100	² 50	² 10	² 10
<i>Vertical Res of Radar (km)</i>	0.5	0.25	NA	0.5	0.5	NA	1	NA	0.25	NA
^{iv} <i>Meas Accuracy or Bias (%)</i>	5	5	10	5	5	10	2.5	10	5	10
<i>Meas Precision or Random Error (%)</i>	25	25	25	20	20	20	10	10	25	25
<i>Snow Detection</i>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
<i>Snowfall Rate and/or Snow Accumulation</i>	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
<i>Minimum Latitudinal Extent of Core (deg)</i>	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65
<i>Minimal Latitudinal Extent of Drone (deg)</i>	90	65	90	90	65	90	90	90	65	90
^v <i>Data Latency</i>	~1 day	~3 hrs	~3 hrs	~1 day	~1 day	~1 day	² 3 mo	² 3 mo	² 45 min	~3 hrs

Footnotes

ⁱ Science-Measurement requirements table will undergo refinements out through GPM Mission Confirmation Review (MCR) in 2003. There will be four distinct versions with deadlines of December-2000 for Version 0 (preliminary estimates), August-2001 for Version 1 (1st major modification), February-2002 for Version 2 (2nd major modification), and mid-2003 for Version 3 (final minor refinements).

ⁱⁱ Factors in red are considered underlying drivers for GPM science. Factors in blue may not be achievable with 1st generation GPM technology.

ⁱⁱⁱ Specification of 0.3 mm hr⁻¹ for low end dynamic range needs further study before being considered as valid preliminary estimate.

^{iv} 5% accuracy requirement depends upon radar measurements being sensitive to DSD variability (thus requiring 2-frequency radar) and low end dynamic range of 0.3 mm hr⁻¹ (thus requiring Ku-band radar sensitivity of at least that of TRMM PR).

^v Data latency greater than 45 minutes will negatively impact GPM's applications and outreach program.





Scientific Challenges for GPM Mission

1. Shift *intellectual inquiry paradigm* from "curiosity driven" to "quintessential water problem driven" -- via GPM science team working group cooperation.
2. Shift *research paradigm* from "measurement takes precedent" to "measurement & prediction are of equal importance" -- through mandate from GPM science team.
3. Shift *derived products paradigm* (e.g., latent heating, bulk DSD properties, macro/microphysical cloud properties, error characterization, solid precipitation, vertical rain mass flux) from "cautious release" to "aggressive release" -- through modeler involvement in product assessment.
4. Shift *fast delivery data paradigm* from "only operational users need them" to "research users need them too" -- through transfer of data products from GPM-PPC to operational & research partners conducting prediction experiments.
5. Shift *validation paradigm* from "scatter diagram approach" to "physical error modeling approach" involving inverting flow of data "from & to" ground validation centers and deploying new instruments at various ground validation supersites.
6. Shift *cloud/precipitation paradigm* from "separate & distinct problems" to "cloud macro/microphysical life cycle continuum" leading to integrated cloud-precipitation missions, research programs, textbooks, and teaching.

Coordinate GPM Science Implementation Plan with WCRP/GEWEX