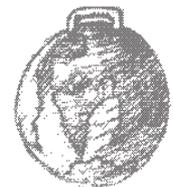


# International School on Applications with the Newest Multi-spectral Environmental Satellites

*held in Brienza from 18 to 24 Sep 2011*



Dottorato di Ricerca in  
**Metodi e Tecnologie per il Monitoraggio Ambientale**



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Su 1 – 4 pm	Lecture 1	Instruments and Orbits
Mo 9 – 12 am	Lecture 2	Radiative Transfer in the Earth Atmosphere
	Homework 1 (due Thursday)	
Mo 2 – 5 pm	Lab 1	Planck Function and Intro to Hydra
Tu 9 – 12 am	Review	Lecture 1 & 2, Lab 1
	Lecture 3	Spectral signatures from Earth
Tu 2 – 5 pm	Lab 2	Interrogating Multispectral Data
We 9 – 12 am	Review	Lecture 3, Lab 2
	Lecture 4	Sounding with broad band and hyperspectral IR
	Quiz 1	
We 2 – 5 pm	Lab 3	Investigations with Imagers and Sounders
Th 9 – 12 am	Review	Quiz 1, Lecture 4, Lab 3
	Homework 2 (due Saturday)	
	Lecture 5	Microwave and time continuous (geostationary) measurements
Th 2 – 5 pm	Lab 4	Investigations of clouds and moisture with MODIS, AIRS and AMSU
	Lab	Assign and start Student Projects
Fr 9 – 12 am	Review	Homework 1, Lecture 5, Lab 4
	Lab	Student Projects
Fr 2 – 5 pm	Lab	Student Projects
Sa 9 – 12 am	Lab	Student Presentations using MODIS, IASI, AIRS, SEVIRI
	Review	Homework 2
	Lecture 6	Summary
	Quiz 2	

# Remote Sensing Schools

have been held in

Bologna, Italy (Sep 01)

Rome, Italy (Jun 02)

Maratea, Italy (May 03)

Bertinoro, Italy (Jul 04)

Andanes, Norway (Feb 06)

Cape Town, South Africa (Apr 06)

Krakow, Poland (May 06)

Ostuni, Italy (Jun 06)

Benevento, Italy (Jun 07)

Sao Paulo, Brazil (Nov 07)

Monteponi, Sardinia (Sep 08)

Istanbul, Turkey (Oct 08)

Perth, Western Australia (Feb 09)

Sasso di Castalda, Italy (Jul 09)

New Dehli, India (Feb 11)



# Objective of School

An in depth explanation of methods and techniques used to extract information from environmental satellite data, with emphasis on the latest measuring technologies. The course will consist of lectures, laboratory sessions, group lab projects, homework and tests. The results from each of the group projects will be presented to the class by the participating students. English is the official language of the School. All provided material will be in English.

# Lectures and Labs

Lectures and laboratory exercises emphasize investigation of high spatial resolution visible and infrared data (from MODIS and SEVIRI), high spectral resolution infrared data (from AIRS and IASI), and microwave sounding data (AMSU). Text for the classroom and a visualization tool for the labs are provided free; “Applications with Meteorological Satellites” is used as a resource text from <ftp://ftp.ssec.wisc.edu/pub/menzel/> and HYDRA is used to interrogate and view multispectral data in the labs from <http://www.ssec.wisc.edu/hydra/>. Homework assignments and classroom tests are administered to verify that good progress is being made in learning and mastering the materials presented. Classroom size is usually between twenty and thirty students.

# Lectures



# **Applications with Meteorological Satellites** is used as a resource text

It is available for free at *ftp://ftp.ssec.wisc.edu/pub/menzel/*

CHAPTER 1 - EVOLUTION OF SATELLITE METEOROLOGY

CHAPTER 2 - NATURE OF RADIATION \*

CHAPTER 3 - ABSORPTION, EMISSION, REFLECTION, AND SCATTERING \*

CHAPTER 4 - THE RADIATION BUDGET

CHAPTER 5 - THE RADIATIVE TRANSFER EQUATION (RTE) \*

CHAPTER 6 - DETECTING CLOUDS \*

CHAPTER 7 - SURFACE TEMPERATURE \*

CHAPTER 8 - TECHNIQUES FOR DETERMINING ATMOSPHERIC PARAMETERS \*

CHAPTER 9 - TECHNIQUES FOR DETERMINING ATMOSPHERIC MOTIONS

CHAPTER 10 - AN APPLICATION OF GEOSTATIONARY SATELLITE SOUNDING DATA

CHAPTER 11 - SATELLITE ORBITS

CHAPTER 12 - RADIOMETER DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS \*

CHAPTER 13 - ESTABLISHING CLIMATE RECORDS FROM MULTISPECTRAL MODIS MEASUREMENTS

CHAPTER 14 - THE NEXT GENERATION OF SATELLITE SYSTEMS

CHAPTER 15 – INVESTIGATING LAND, OCEAN, AND ATMOSPHERE WITH MULTISPECTRAL  
MEASUREMENTS \*

\* indicates chapters covered

References, problems sets, and quizzes are included in the Appendices

# Agenda includes material from Chapters 2, 3, 5, and 12

## CHAPTER 2 - NATURE OF RADIATION

2.1	Remote Sensing of Radiation	2-1
2.2	Basic Units	2-1
2.3	Definitions of Radiation	2-2
2.5	Related Derivations	2-5

## CHAPTER 3 - ABSORPTION, EMISSION, REFLECTION, AND SCATTERING

3.1	Absorption and Emission	3-1
3.2	Conservation of Energy	3-1
3.3	Planetary Albedo	3-2
3.4	Selective Absorption and Emission	3-2
3.7	Summary of Interactions between Radiation and Matter	3-6
3.8	Beer's Law and Schwarzschild's Equation	3-7
3.9	Atmospheric Scattering	3-9
3.10	The Solar Spectrum	3-11
3.11	Composition of the Earth's Atmosphere	3-11
3.12	Atmospheric Absorption and Emission of Solar Radiation	3-11
3.13	Atmospheric Absorption and Emission of Thermal Radiation	3-12
3.14	Atmospheric Absorption Bands in the IR Spectrum	3-13
3.15	Atmospheric Absorption Bands in the Microwave Spectrum	3-14
3.16	Remote Sensing Regions	3-14

## CHAPTER 5 - THE RADIATIVE TRANSFER EQUATION (RTE)

5.1	Derivation of RTE	5-1
5.10	Microwave Form of RTE	5-28

## CHAPTER 12 - RADIOMETER DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

12.3	Design Considerations	12-1
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## Material includes equations

$$\text{Planck's Law} \quad B(\lambda, T) = \frac{c_1}{\lambda^5} \left[ e^{-c_2/\lambda T} - 1 \right]^{-1} \quad (\text{mW/m}^2/\text{ster/cm})$$

where

$\lambda$  = wavelengths in cm

T = temperature of emitting surface (deg K)

$c_1 = 1.191044 \times 10^{-5}$  (mW/m<sup>2</sup>/ster/cm<sup>-4</sup>)

$c_2 = 1.438769$  (cm deg K)

$$\text{Wien's Law} \quad dB(\lambda_{\max}, T) / d\lambda = 0 \text{ where } \lambda(\max) = .2897/T$$

indicates peak of Planck function curve shifts to shorter wavelengths (greater wavenumbers) with temperature increase. Note  $B(\lambda_{\max}, T) \sim T^5$ .

$$\text{Stefan-Boltzmann Law} \quad E = \pi \int_0^{\infty} B(\lambda, T) d\lambda = \sigma T^4, \text{ where } \sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2/\text{deg}^4.$$

states that irradiance of a black body (area under Planck curve) is proportional to  $T^4$ .

## Brightness Temperature

$$T = c_2 / \left[ \lambda \ln \left( \frac{c_1}{\lambda^5 B_\lambda} + 1 \right) \right] \text{ is determined by inverting Planck function}$$

## And some derivations,

$$I_{\lambda} = \varepsilon_{\lambda}^{\text{sfc}} B_{\lambda}(T(p_s)) \tau_{\lambda}(p_s) + \sum_p \varepsilon_{\lambda}(\Delta p) B_{\lambda}(T(p)) \tau_{\lambda}(p)$$

The emissivity of an infinitesimal layer of the atmosphere at pressure  $p$  is equal to the absorptance (one minus the transmittance of the layer). Consequently,

$$\varepsilon_{\lambda}(\Delta p) \tau_{\lambda}(p) = [1 - \tau_{\lambda}(\Delta p)] \tau_{\lambda}(p)$$

Since transmittance is an exponential function of depth of absorbing constituent,

$$\tau_{\lambda}(\Delta p) \tau_{\lambda}(p) = \exp \left[ - \int_p^{p+\Delta p} k_{\lambda} q g^{-1} dp \right] * \exp \left[ - \int_0^p k_{\lambda} q g^{-1} dp \right] = \tau_{\lambda}(p + \Delta p)$$

Therefore

$$\varepsilon_{\lambda}(\Delta p) \tau_{\lambda}(p) = \tau_{\lambda}(p) - \tau_{\lambda}(p + \Delta p) = - \Delta \tau_{\lambda}(p) .$$

So we can write

$$I_{\lambda} = \varepsilon_{\lambda}^{\text{sfc}} B_{\lambda}(T(p_s)) \tau_{\lambda}(p_s) - \sum_p B_{\lambda}(T(p)) \Delta \tau_{\lambda}(p) .$$

which when written in integral form reads

$$I_{\lambda} = \varepsilon_{\lambda}^{\text{sfc}} B_{\lambda}(T(p_s)) \tau_{\lambda}(p_s) - \int_0^{p_s} B_{\lambda}(T(p)) [ d\tau_{\lambda}(p) / dp ] dp .$$

# Labs



# HYperspectral viewer for Development of Research Applications - HYDRA

MSG,  
GOES



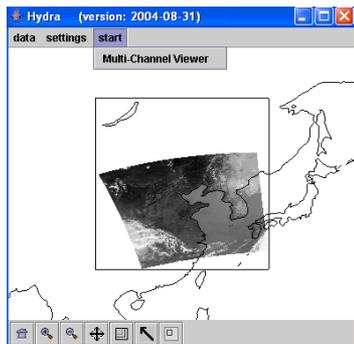
MODIS,  
AIRS, IASI,  
AMSU,  
CALIPSO

Freely available software  
For researchers and educators  
Computer platform independent  
Extendable to more sensors and applications  
Based in VisAD  
(Visualization for Algorithm Development)  
Uses Jython (Java implementation of Python)  
runs on most machines  
512MB main memory & 32MB graphics card suggested  
on-going development effort

Developed at CIMSS by  
Tom Rink  
Tom Whittaker  
Kevin Baggett

With guidance from  
Paolo Antonelli  
Liam Gumley  
Paul Menzel  
Allen Huang

*Rink et al, BAMS 2007*



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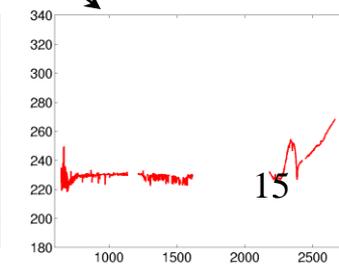
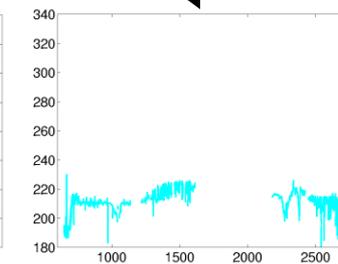
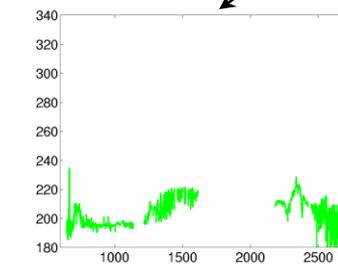
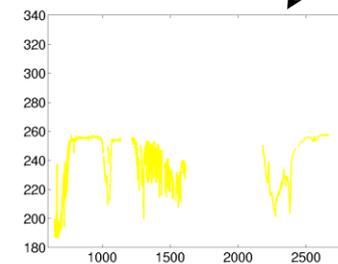
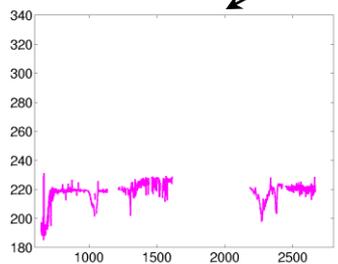
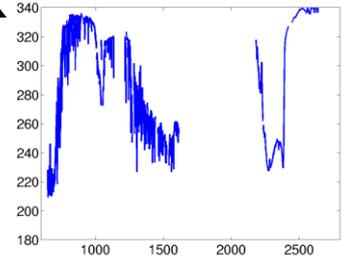
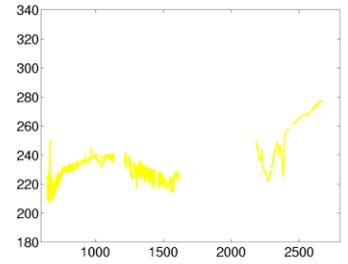
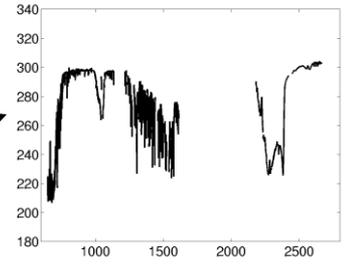
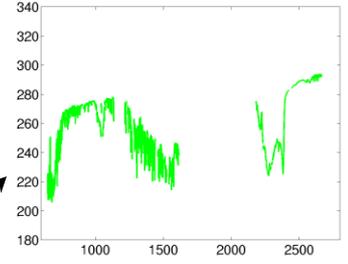
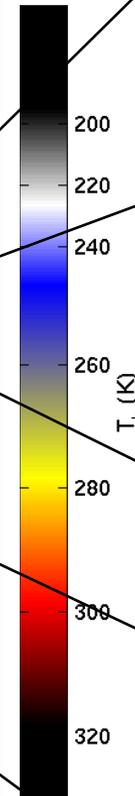
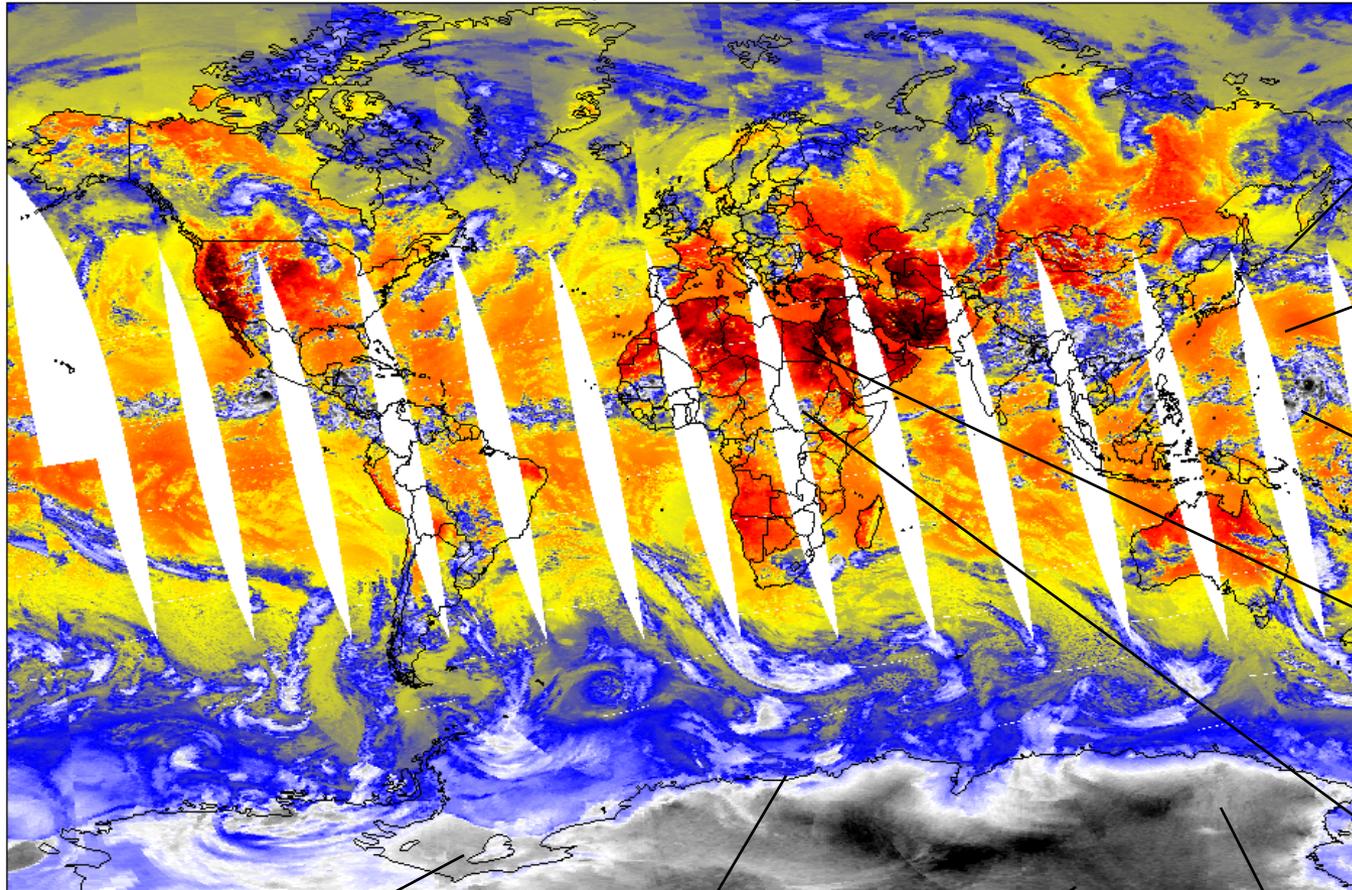
# Viewing remote sensing data with HYDRA

The image displays the HYDRA software interface, which is used for viewing and processing remote sensing data. It is divided into several main sections:

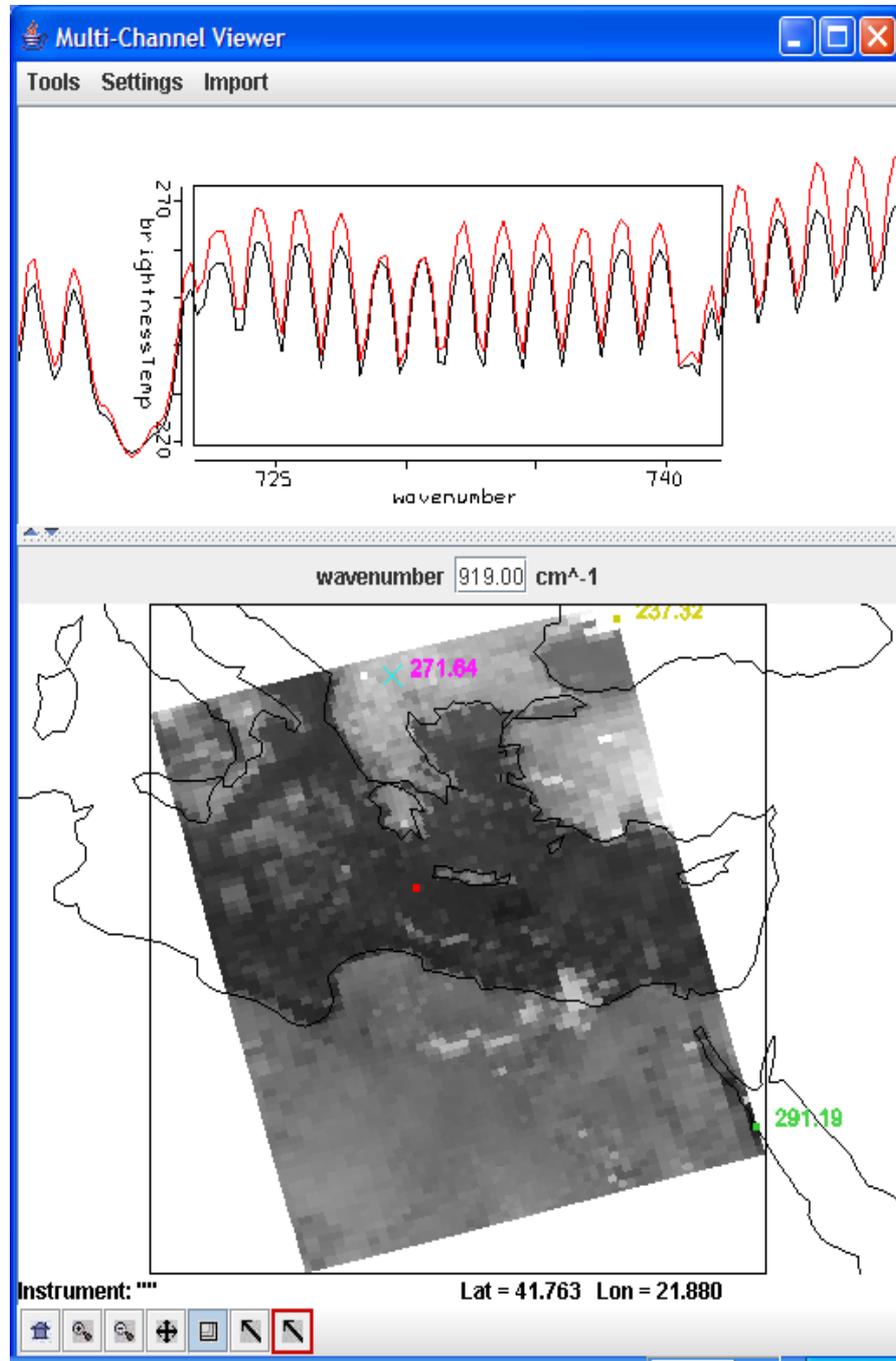
- Channel Combination Tool (Left Panel):** This window contains a plot of Reflectance (left y-axis, 0 to 1) and BrightnessTemp (right y-axis, 100 to 300) versus wavelength (x-axis, 0 to 14). Two vertical lines are present: a red line at approximately 2.1  $\mu\text{m}$  and a green line at approximately 11.0  $\mu\text{m}$ . Below the plot is a control bar with dropdown menus for channel selection, currently showing '20' (highlighted in red) and '31' (highlighted in green).
- Multi-Channel Viewer (Right Panel):** This window has a similar plot to the Channel Combination Tool. It also shows Reflectance and BrightnessTemp versus wavelength. A green vertical line is at 11.0  $\mu\text{m}$ . Below the plot, the 'Band' is set to '31' and the 'wavelength' is '11.00  $\mu\text{m}$ '. The viewer displays a grayscale satellite image of a region, with two data points highlighted: a yellow point at 223.09 and a green point at 318.64. The instrument is identified as 'MODIS' and the coordinates are 'Lat = 52.061 Lon = -4.394'. A 'Recycle bin' icon and the number '14' are visible at the bottom right of this panel.
- Main Map (Bottom Left):** A color-coded map of the same region, showing a temperature gradient from blue (cooler) to red (warmer). A color scale bar at the top of this map ranges from -5.5380263 to 40.12365. Text on the map includes '(c1-c2) = 32.721428' and 'c1:20, c2:31'. A list of labels (ab1-ab4, etc.) is visible on the right side of the map.
- Windows Taskbar (Bottom):** Shows the Windows Start button, several open applications (Inbox for paulm..., Hydra and Lab..., Microsoft Power..., run HYDRA), and the system tray with the time '2:01 PM'.

# AIRS

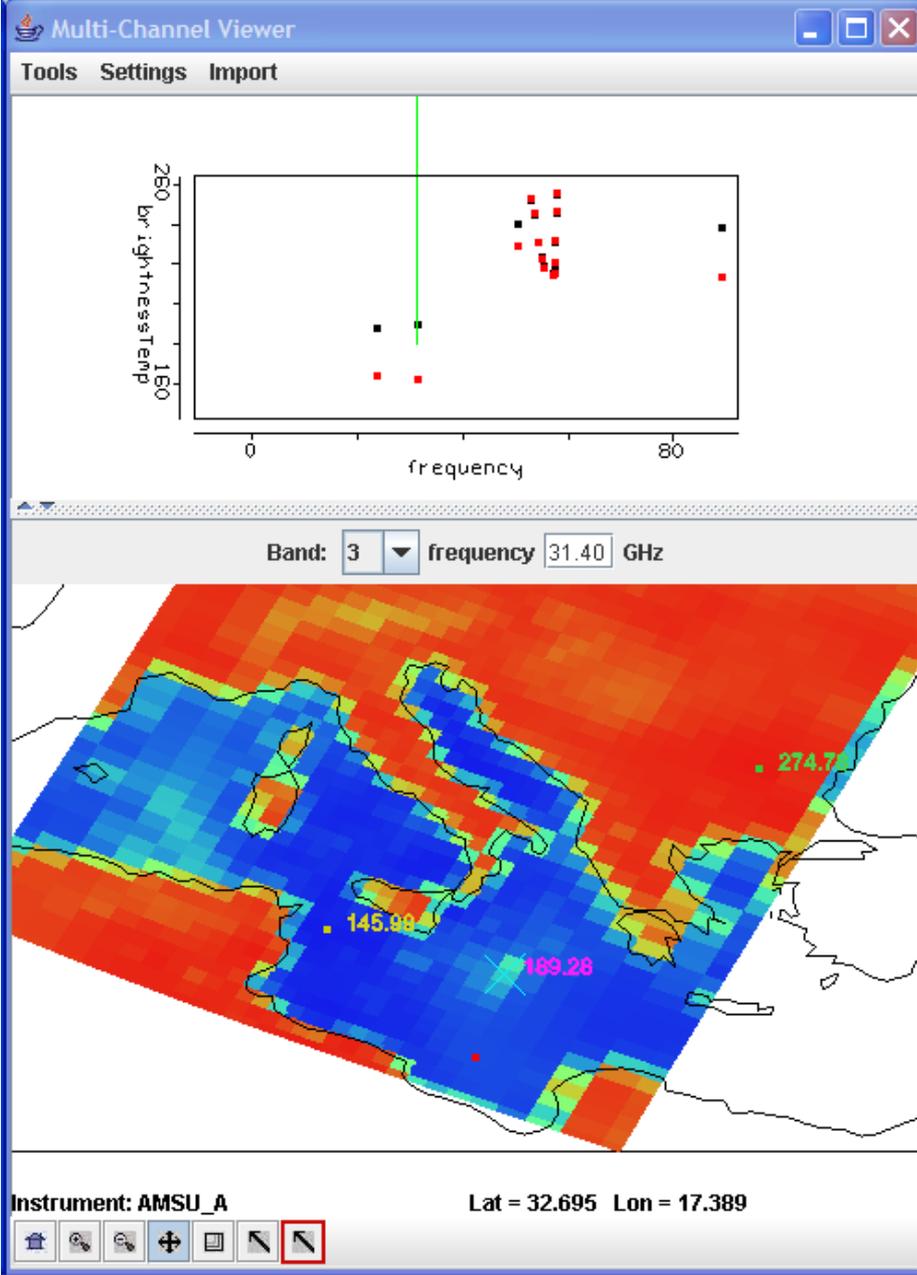
20-July-2002 Ascending LW\_Window



# IASI



# AMSU



# **Access to visualization tools and data**

**For hydra**

**<http://www.ssec.wisc.edu/hydra/>**

**For MODIS data and quick browse images**

**<http://rapidfire.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/realtime>**

**For MODIS data orders**

**<http://ladsweb.nascom.nasa.gov/>**

**For AIRS data orders**

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# Orbits and Instruments

Lectures in Brienza

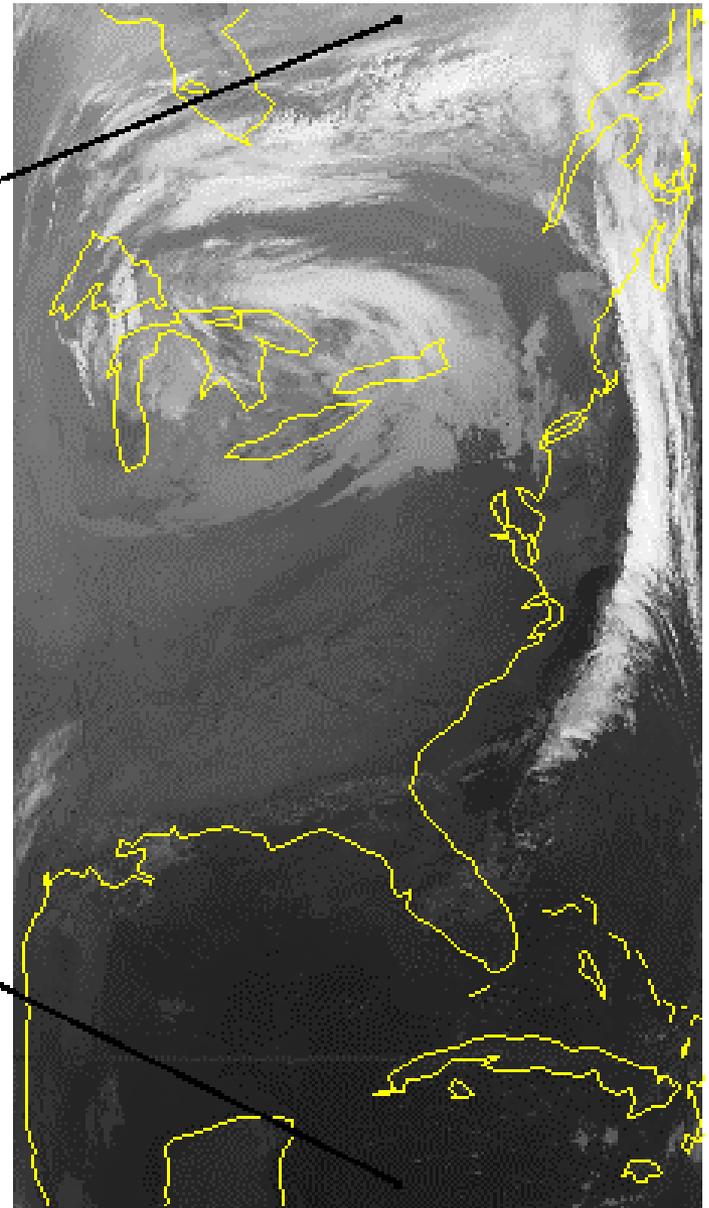
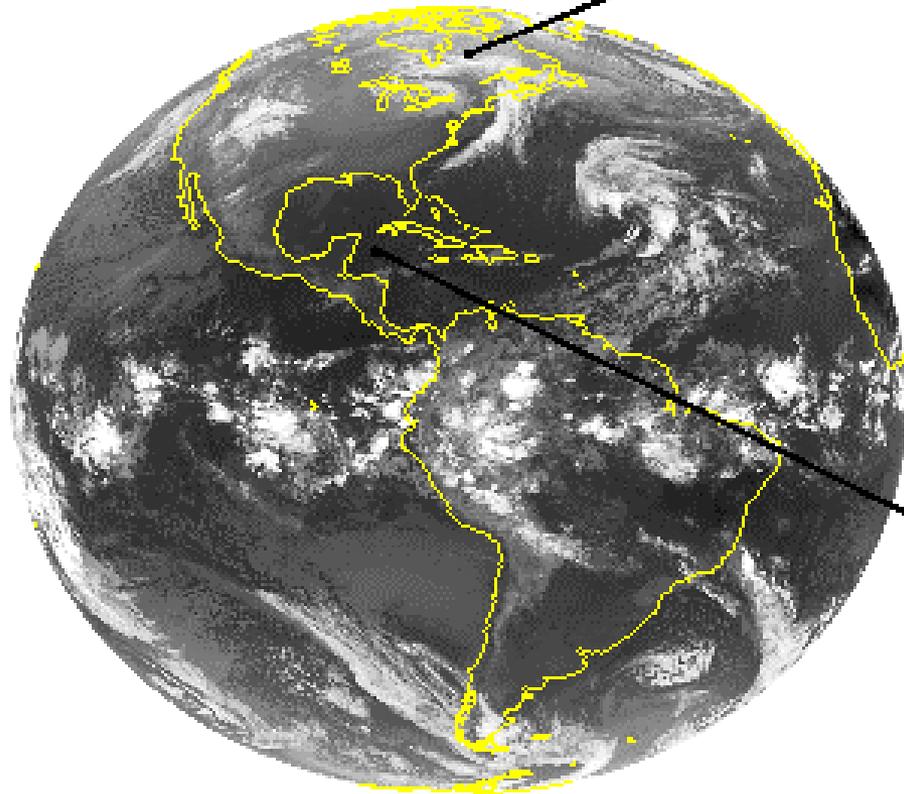
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# GEO vs LEO

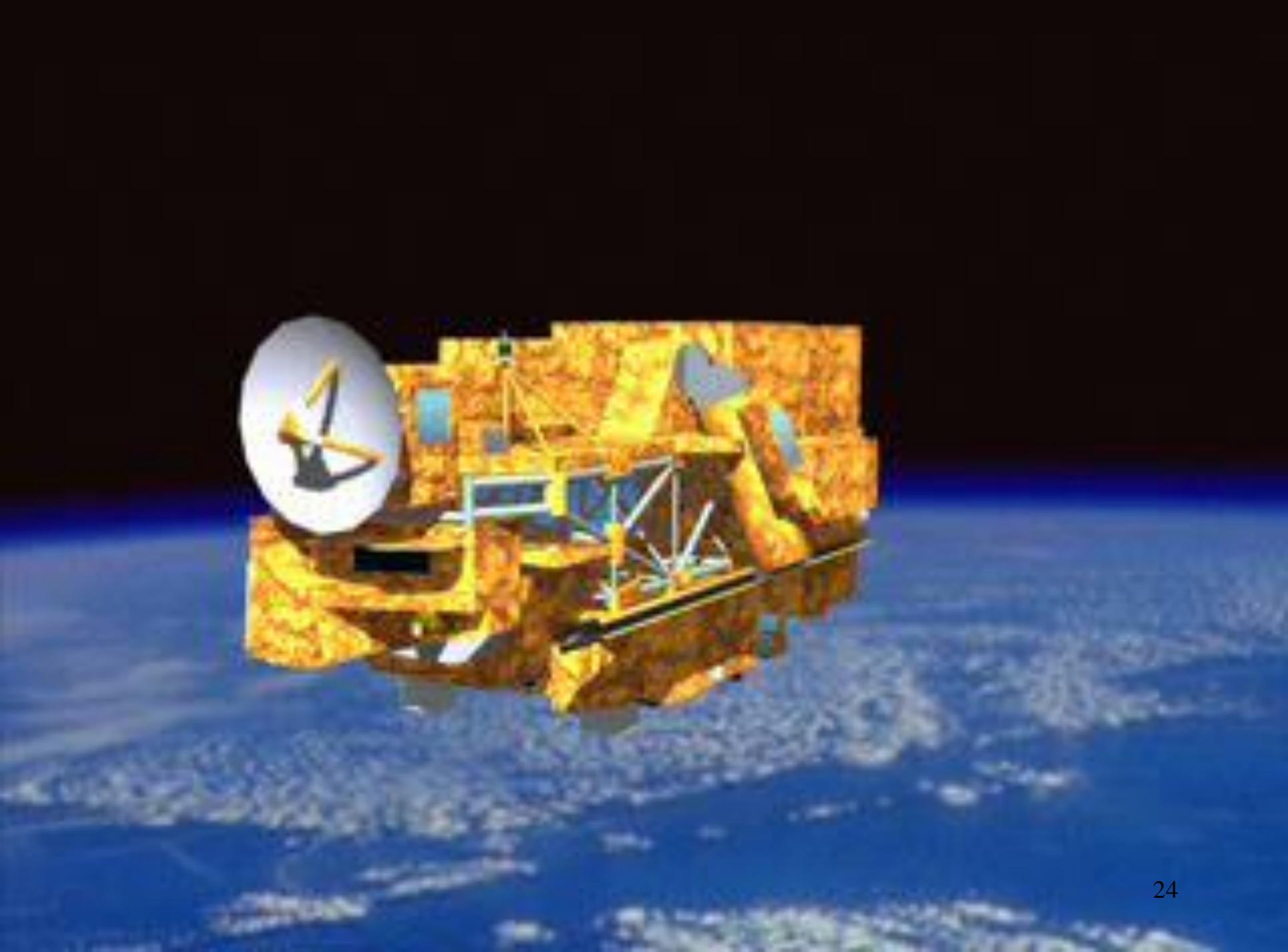


**All  
Sats  
on  
NASA  
J-track**



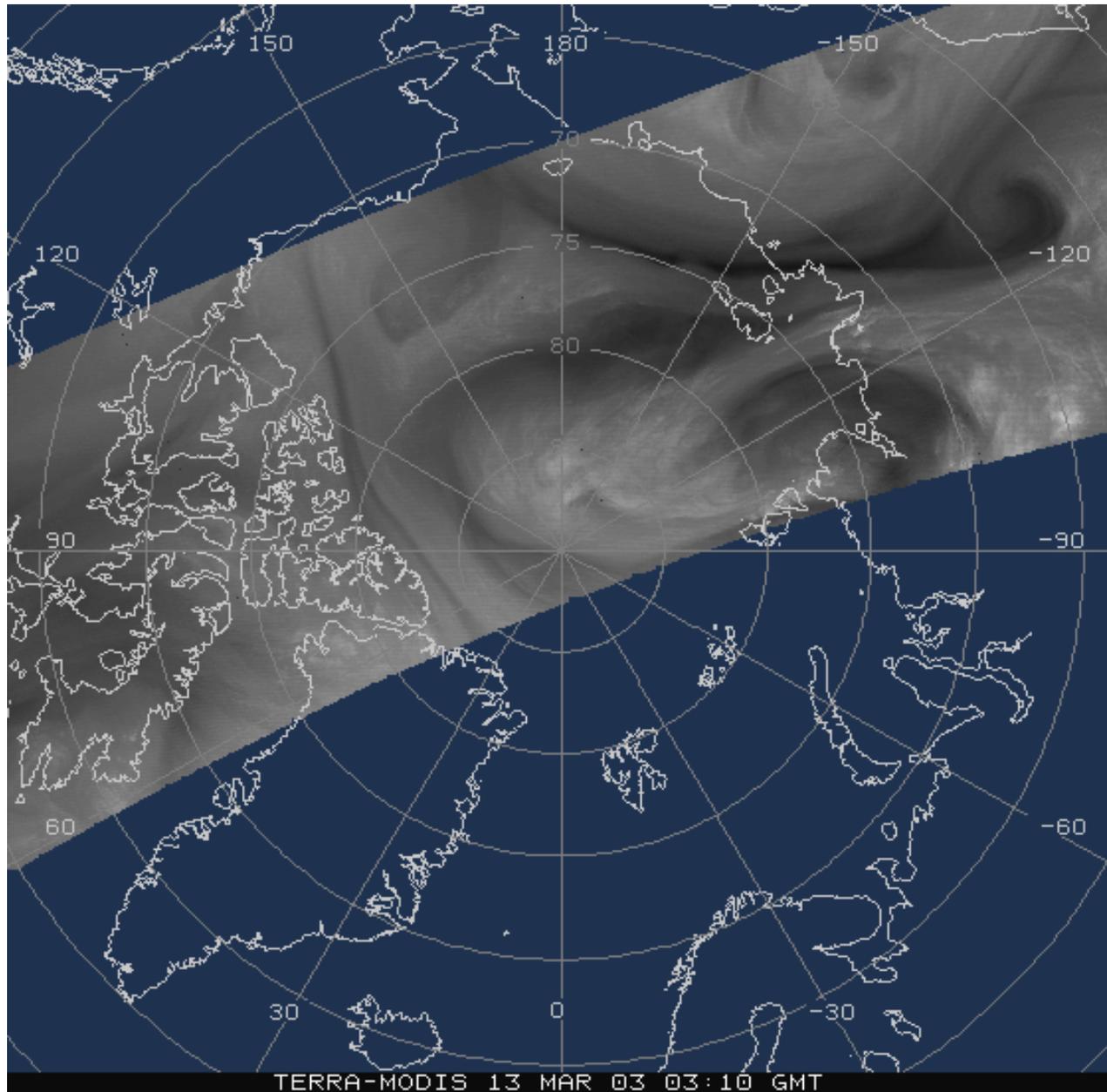




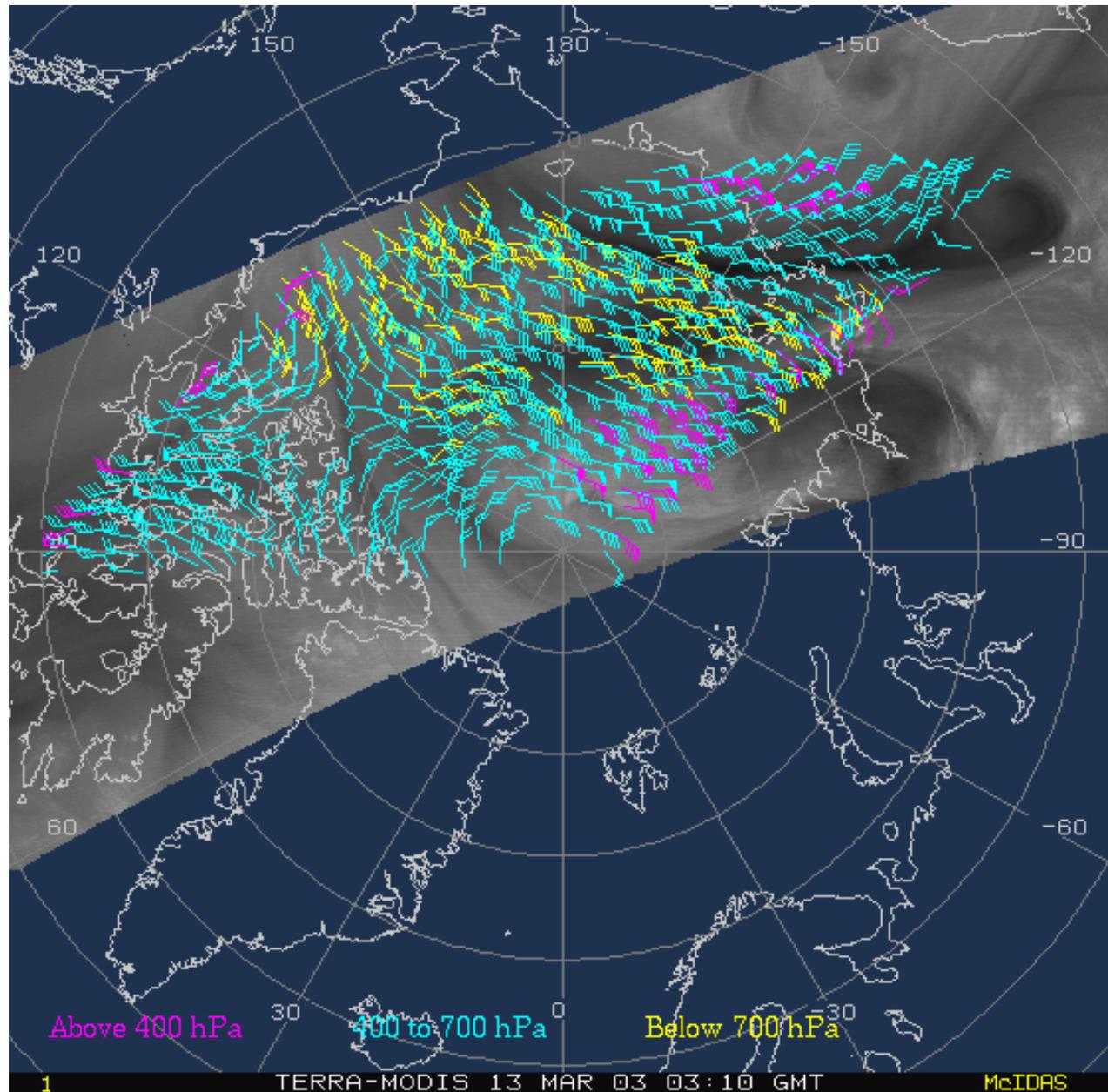




# Leo coverage of poles every 100 minutes



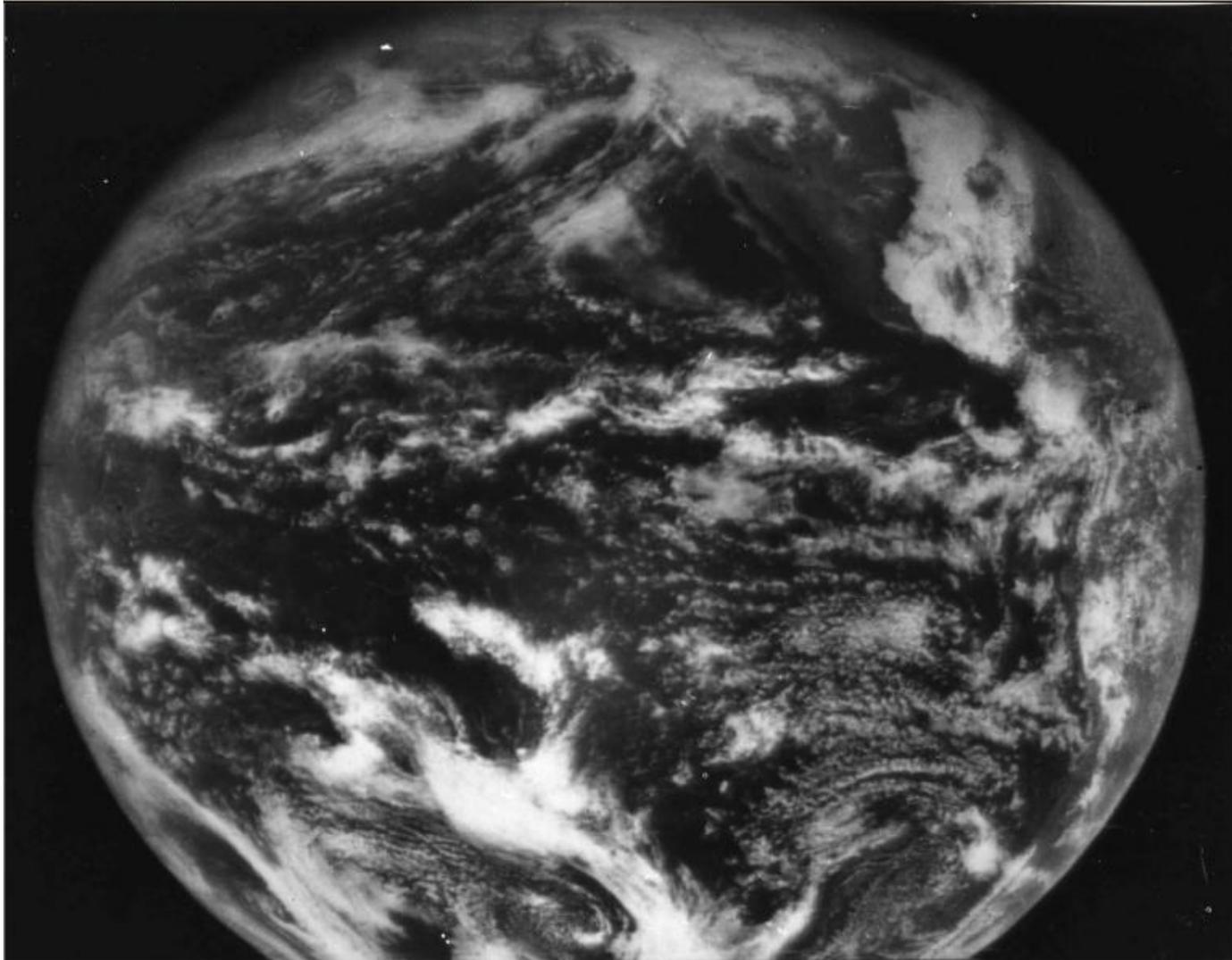
# Tracking Polar Atmospheric Motion from Leo Obs



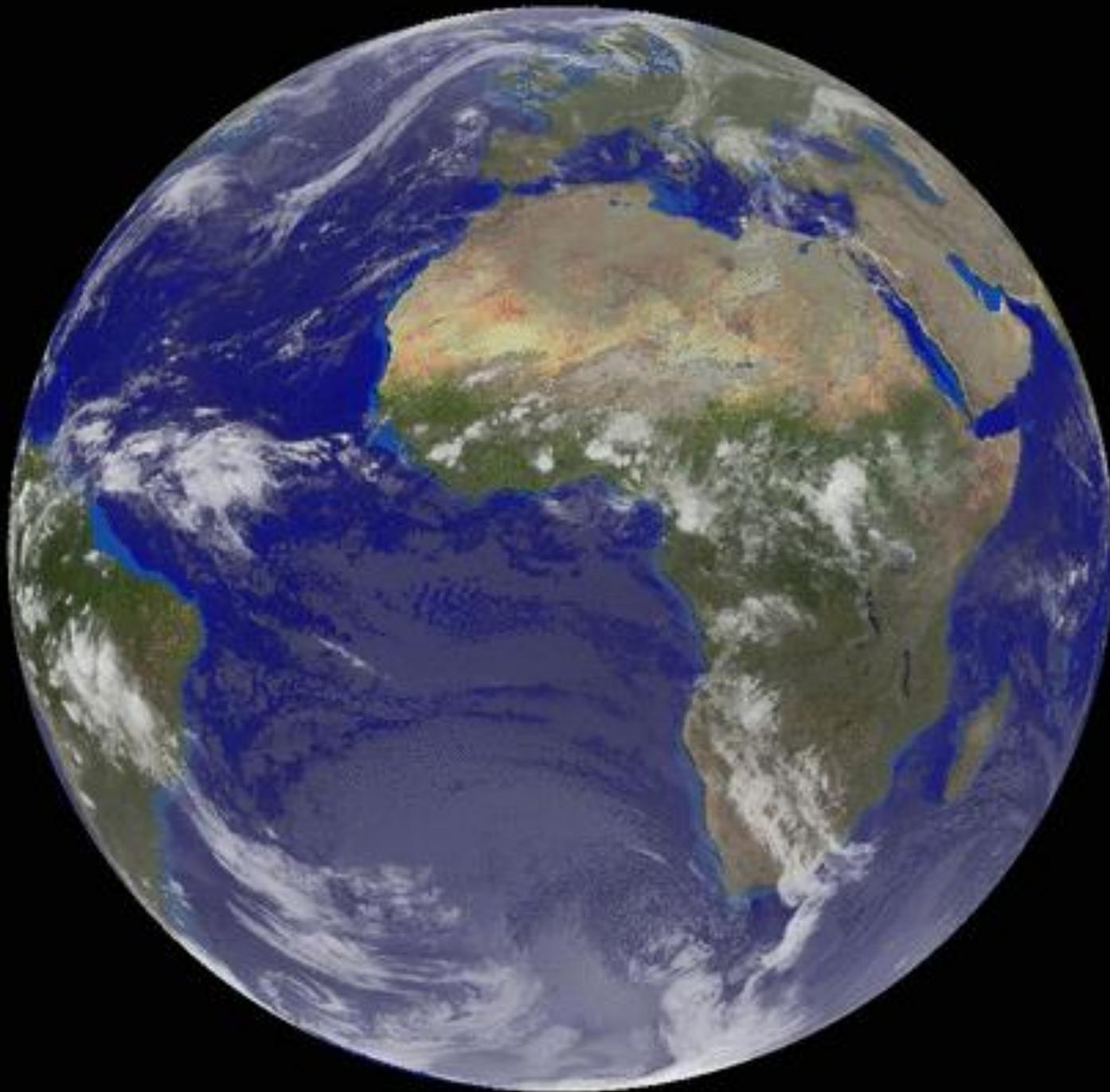
# Getting to Geostationary Orbit



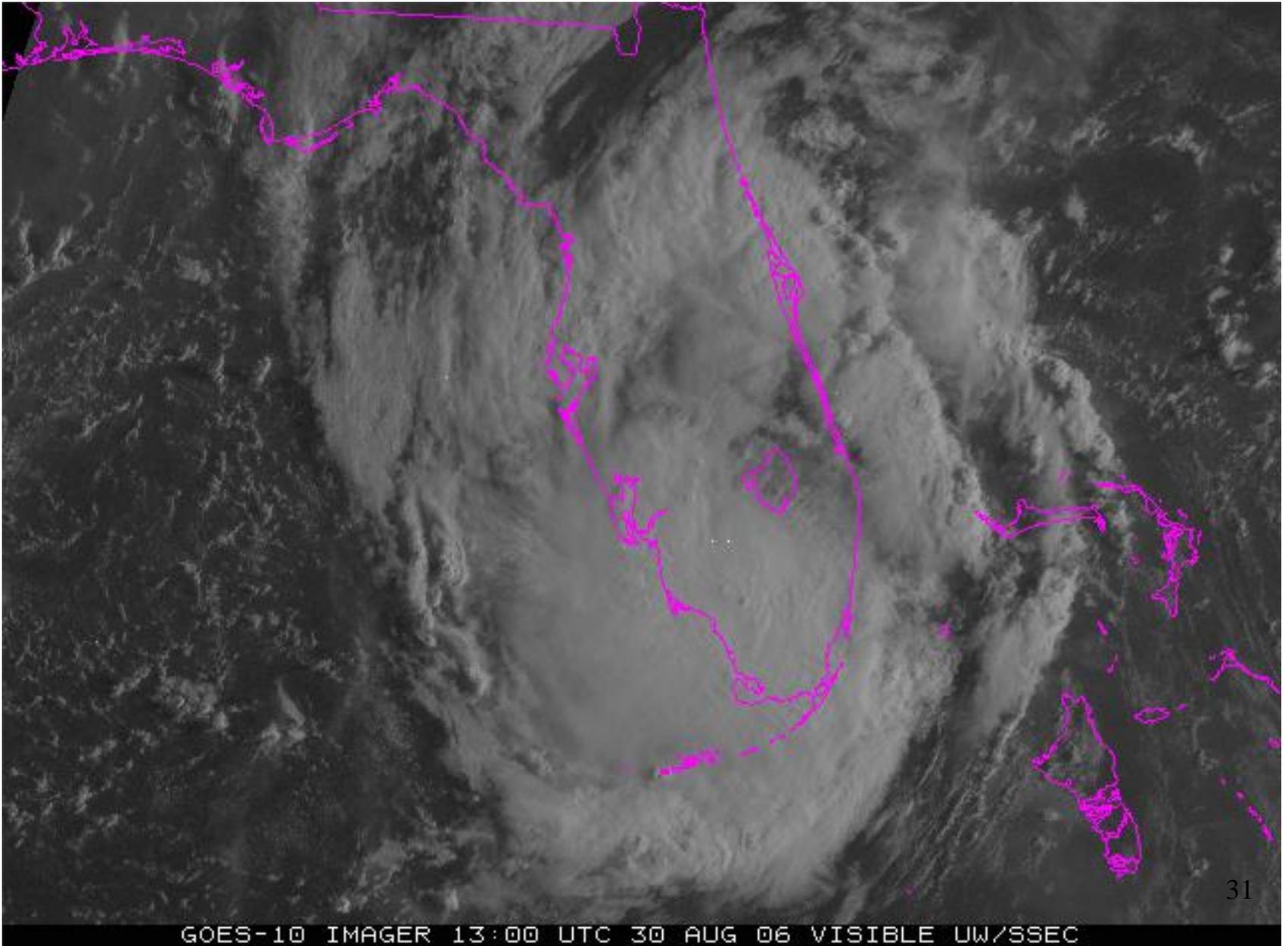
# Observations from geostationary orbit



**“the weather moves - not the satellite”**  
**Verner Suomi**



# One minute imaging over Florida



GOES-10 IMAGER 13:00 UTC 30 AUG 06 VISIBLE UW/SSEC

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331 84/818 86/802  
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84/830  
77 V7HD  
81/840  
75 C6FM

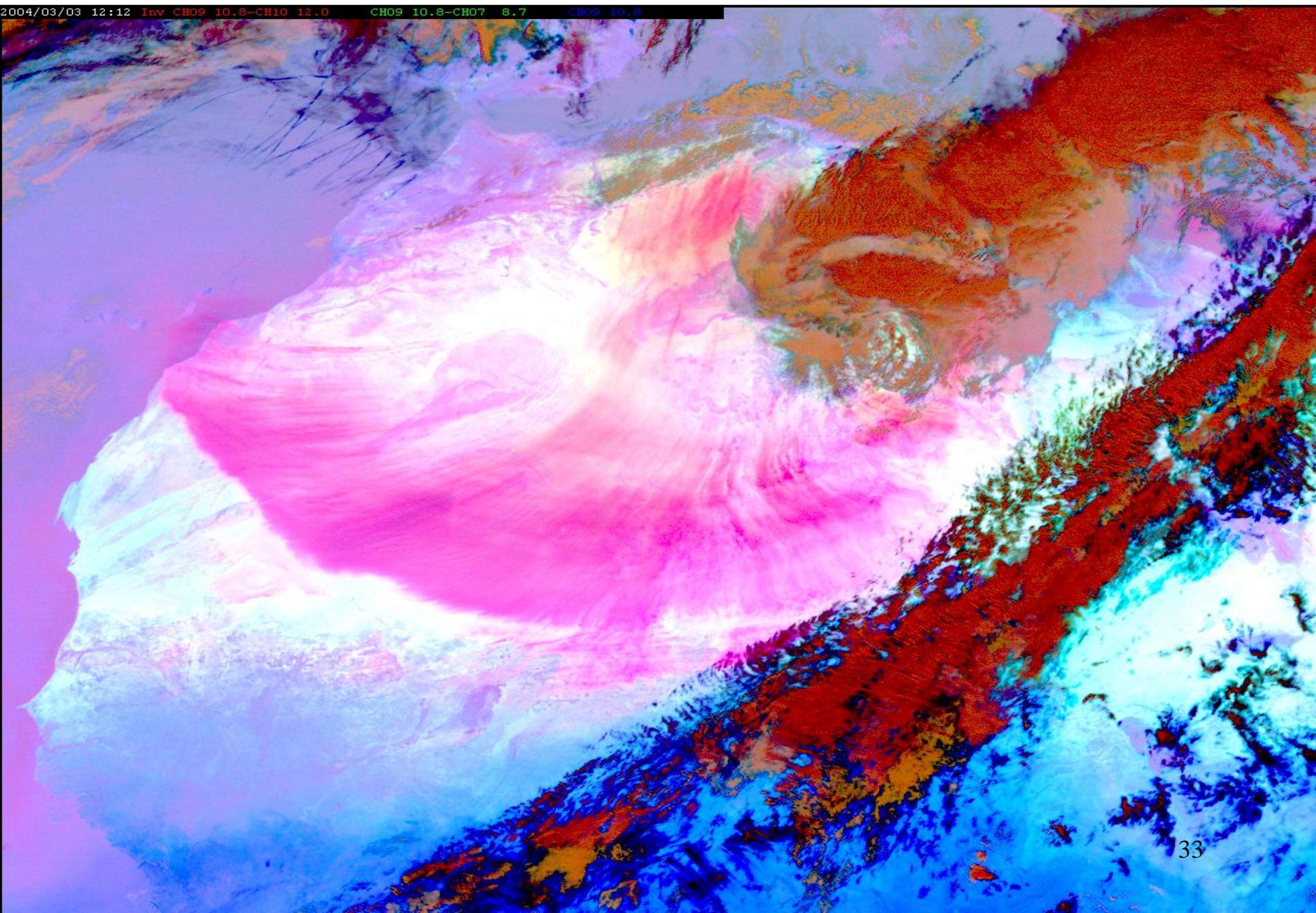
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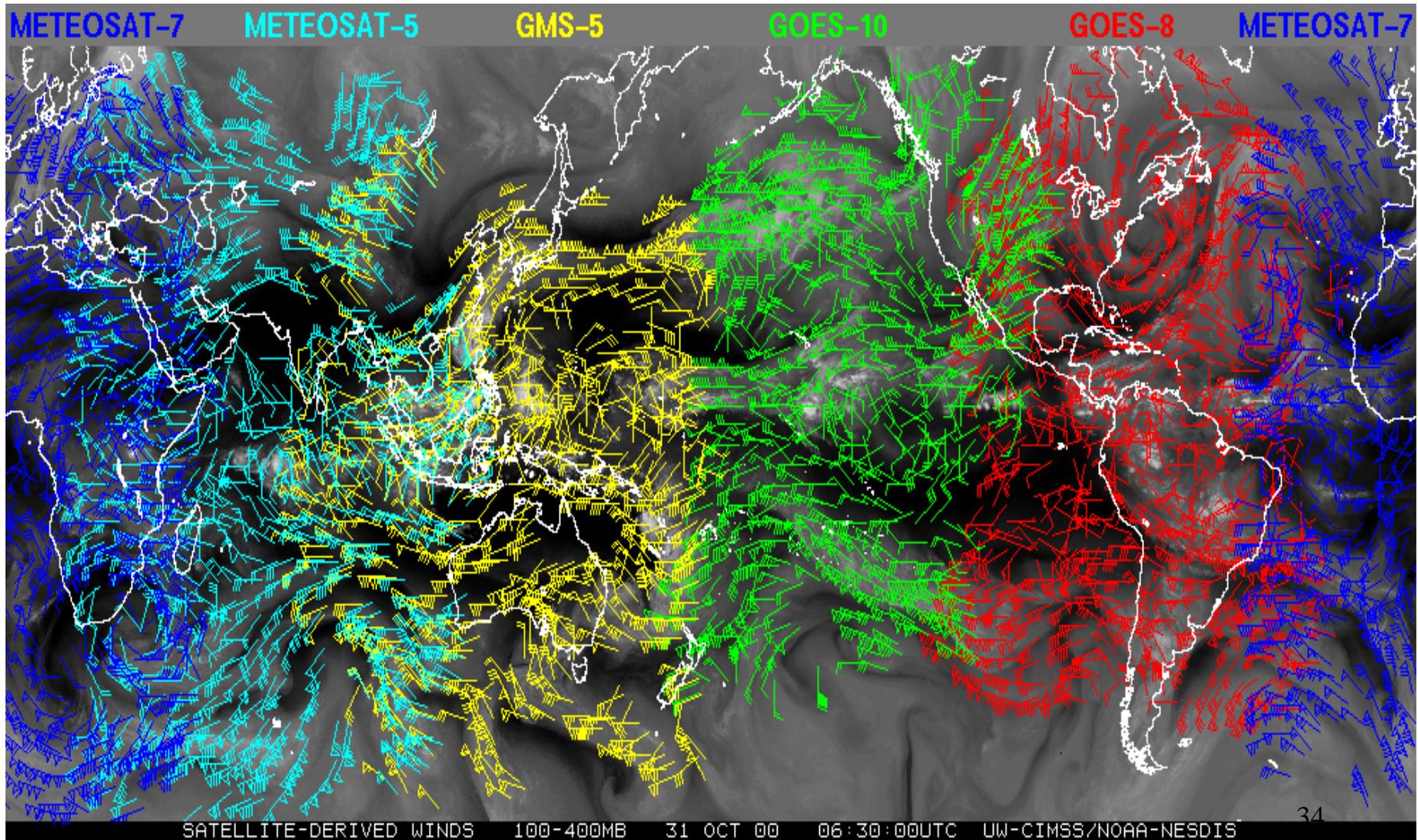
SURFACE PLOT - 12 UTC

# SEVIRI sees dust storm over Africa

2004/03/03 12:12 Inv CH09 10.8-CH10 12.0 CH09 10.8-CH07 8.7 CH09 10.8



# Five geos are providing global coverage for winds in tropics and mid-lats



# Comparison of geostationary (geo) and low earth orbiting (leo) satellite capabilities

## Geo

observes process itself  
(motion and targets of opportunity)

repeat coverage in minutes  
( $\Delta t \leq 30$  minutes)

full earth disk only

best viewing of tropics

same viewing angle

differing solar illumination

visible, IR imager  
(1, 4 km resolution)

one visible band

IR only sounder  
(8 km resolution)

filter radiometer

diffraction more than leo

## Leo

observes effects of process

repeat coverage twice daily  
( $\Delta t = 12$  hours)

global coverage

best viewing of poles

varying viewing angle

same solar illumination

visible, IR imager  
(1, 1 km resolution)

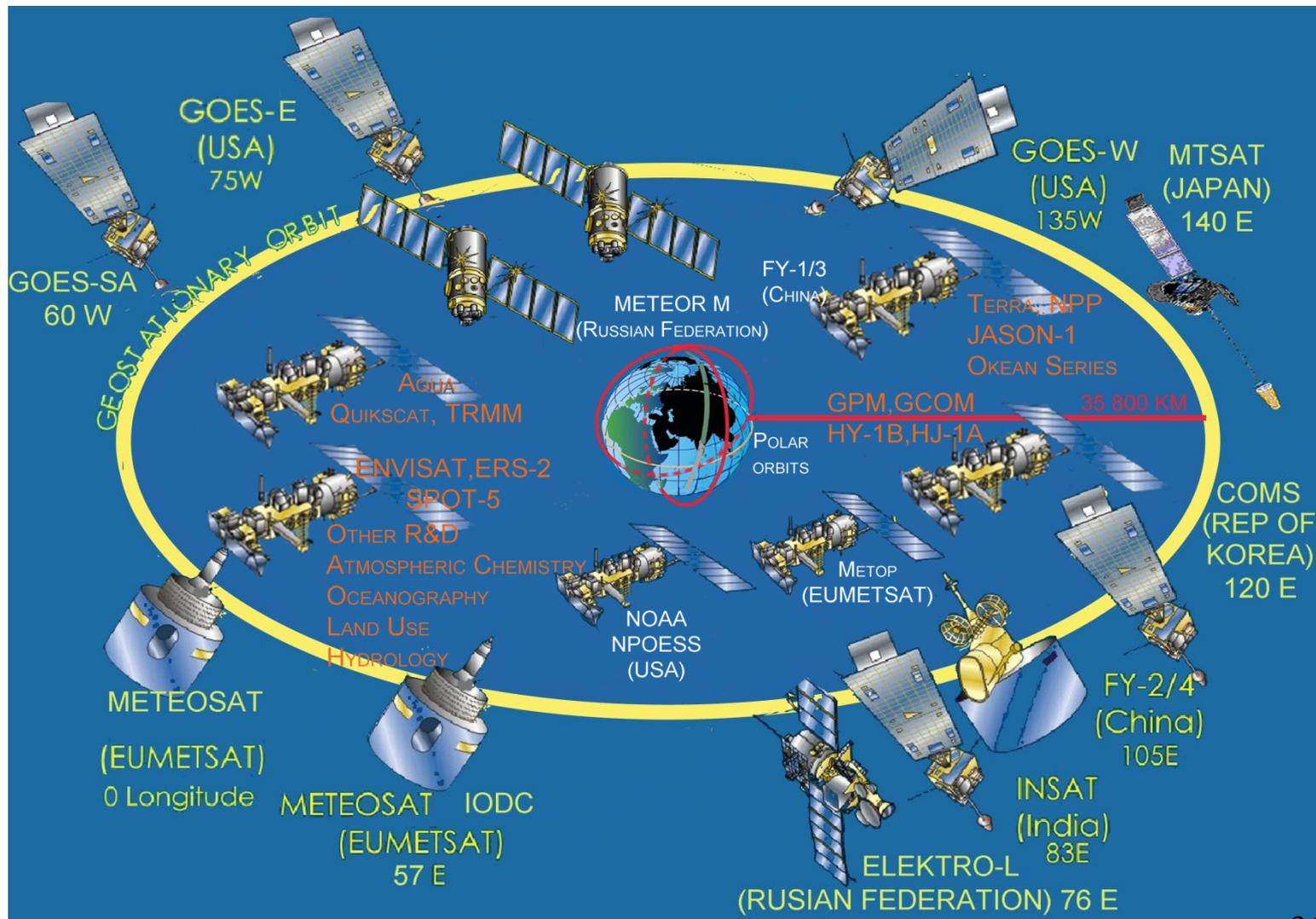
multispectral in visible  
(veggie index)

IR and microwave sounder  
(1, 17, 50 km resolution)

filter radiometer,  
interferometer, and  
grating spectrometer

diffraction less than geo

# Space-Based component of the Global Observing System (GOS)



## Leo Observations

**Terra was launched in 1999  
and the EOS Era began**

**MODIS, CERES, MOPITT,  
ASTER, and MISR  
reach polar orbit**

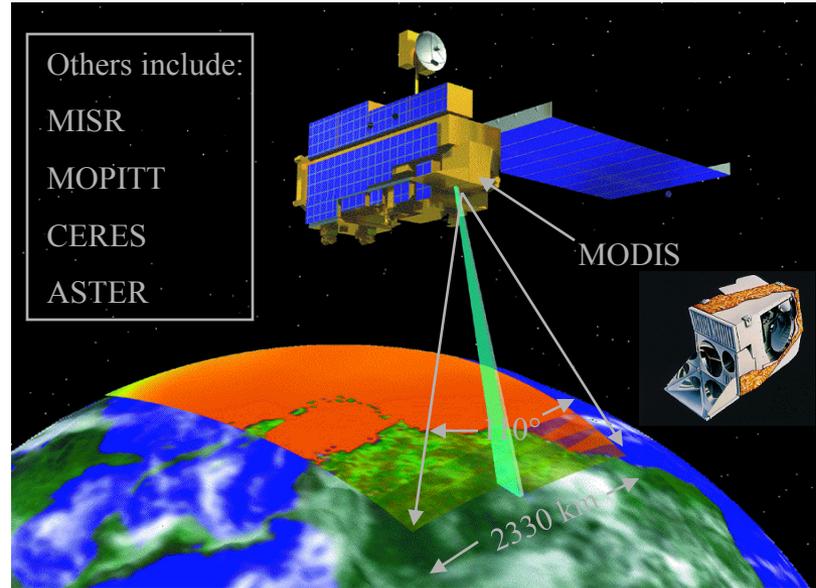
**Aqua and ENVISAT  
followed in 2002**

**MODIS and MERIS  
to be followed by VIIRS  
AIRS and IASI  
to be followed by CrIS  
AMSU leading to ATMS**





# Launch of EOS-Terra (EOS-AM) Satellite - A New Era Begins



**MODIS instrument Specifications:**

**Bands 1-2 (0.66, 0.86  $\mu\text{m}$ ): 250 m**

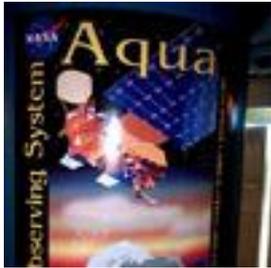
**Bands 3-7 (0.47, 0.55, 1.24, 1.64, 2.13  $\mu\text{m}$ ): 500 m**

**Bands 8-36: 1 km**

**Launch date: December 18, 1999, 1:57 PT**  
**Earth viewdoor open date: February 24, 2001**

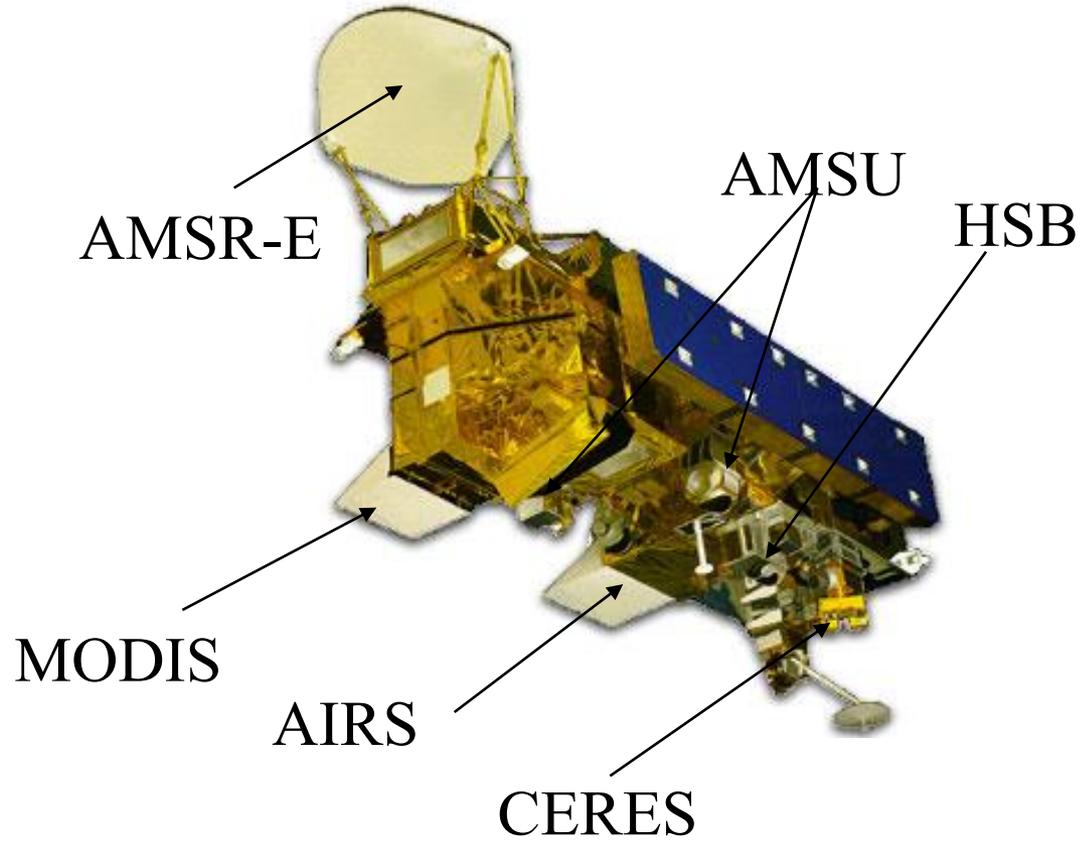


Followed by the launch of  
EOS-Aqua (EOS-PM) Satellite



Launch date: May 4, 2002, 2:55 PDT  
Earth view door open date: June 25, 2002

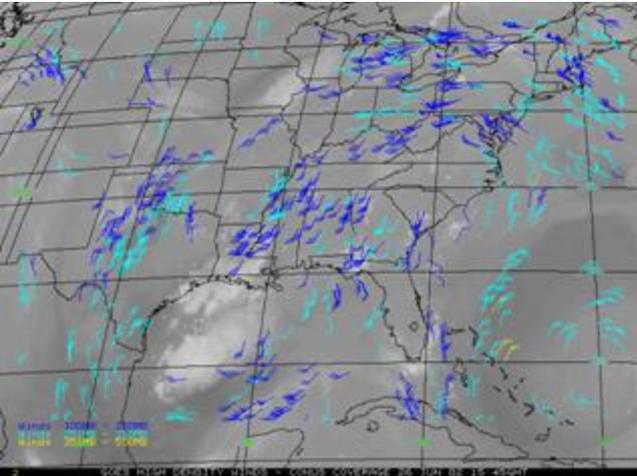
*“Thermometer in the Sky”*



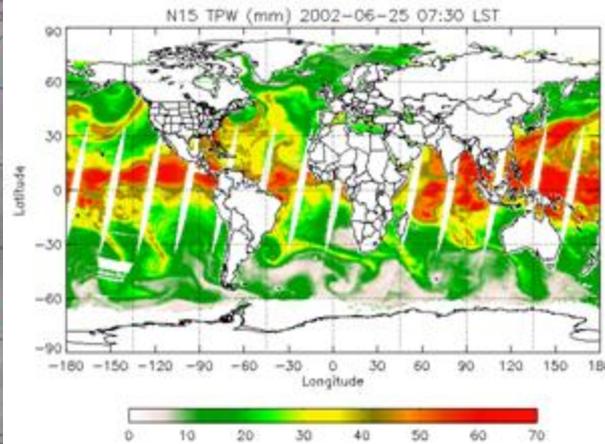


# Atmospheric Products: Examples

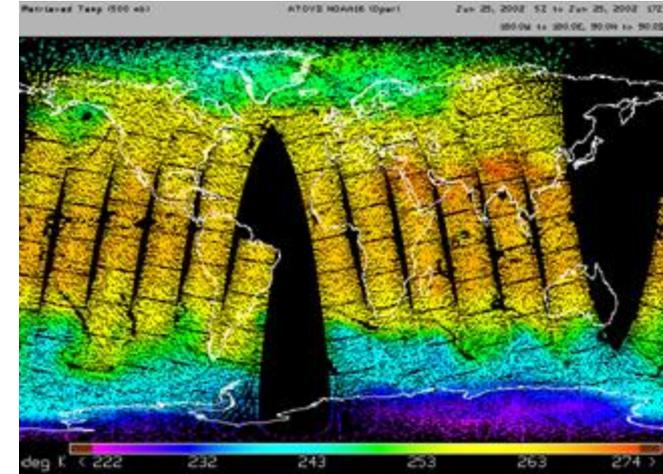
## Winds



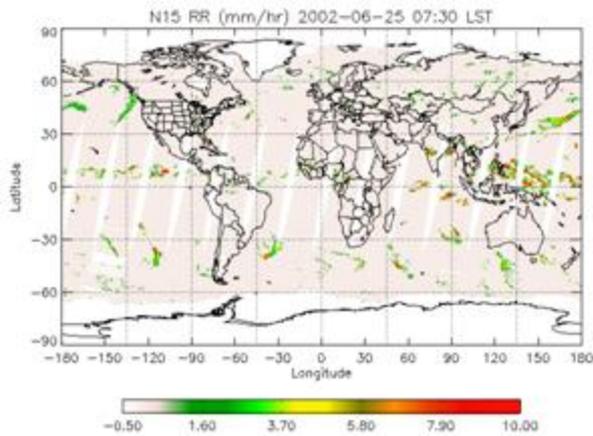
## Total Water Vapor



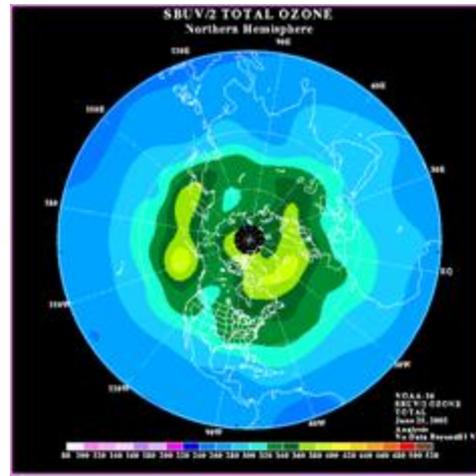
## Temperature 500 mb



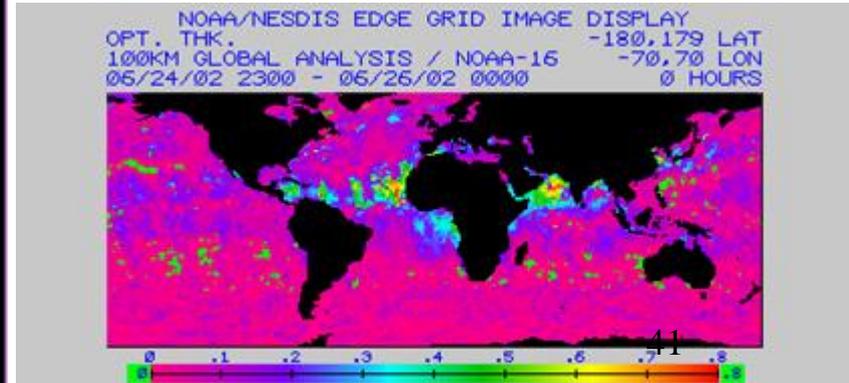
## Rain Rate



## Ozone

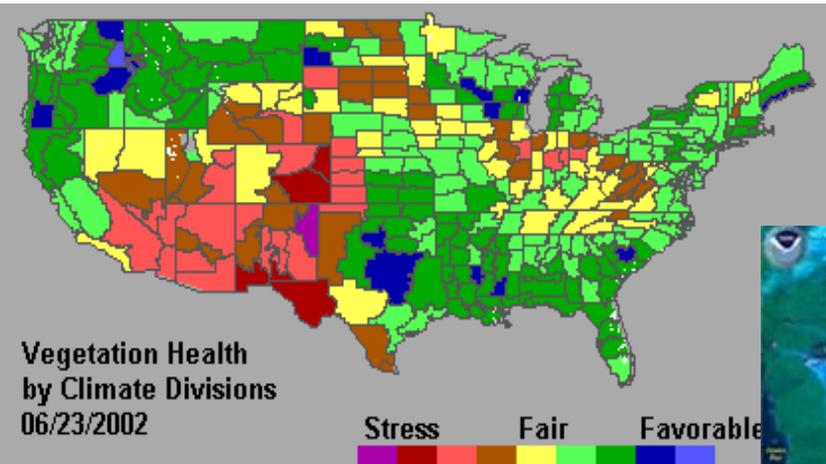


## Aerosol Optical Thickness

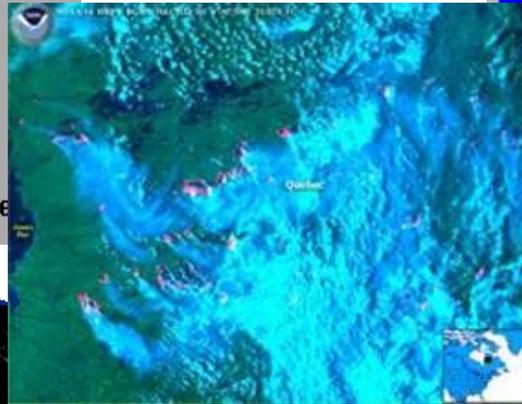


# Land Surface Products: Examples

## Vegetation Health



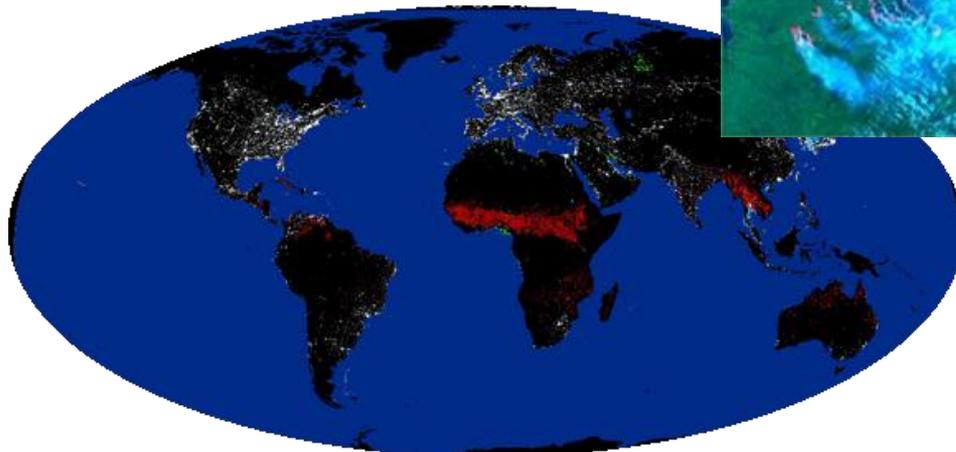
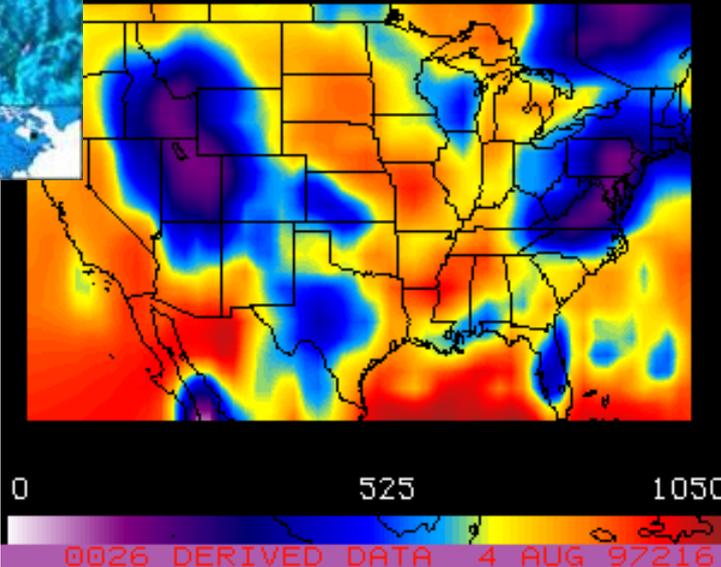
## Quebec Fires/Smoke



## Snow

## Solar Radiation

RFACE DOWNWARD FLUX (W/M2)

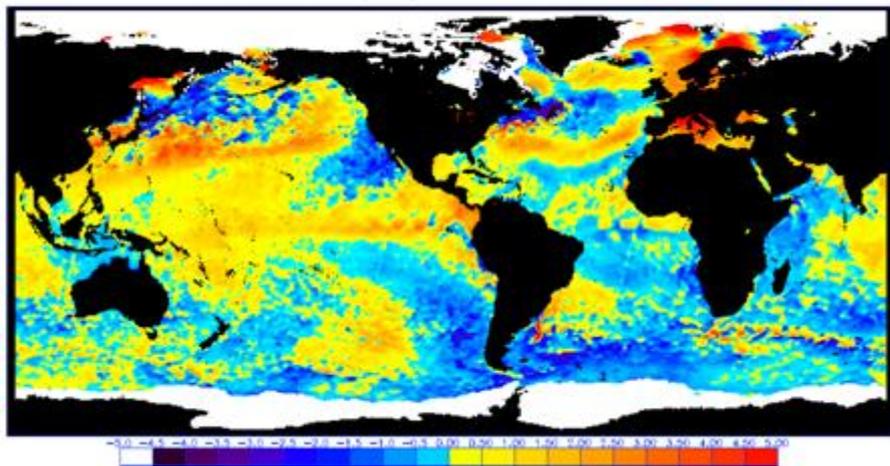


## Global Lights/Fires

# Ocean Products: Examples

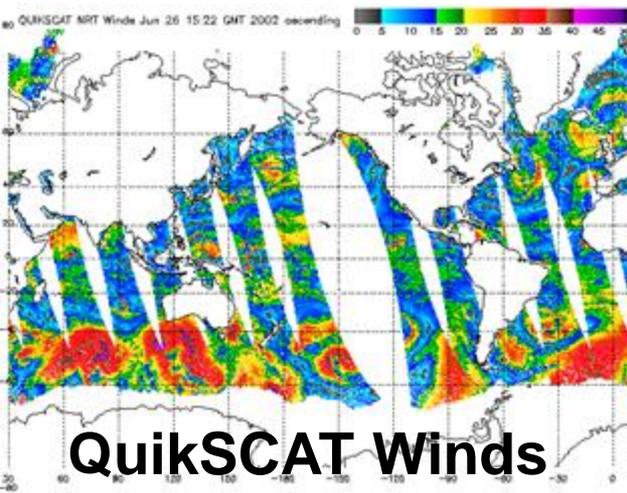
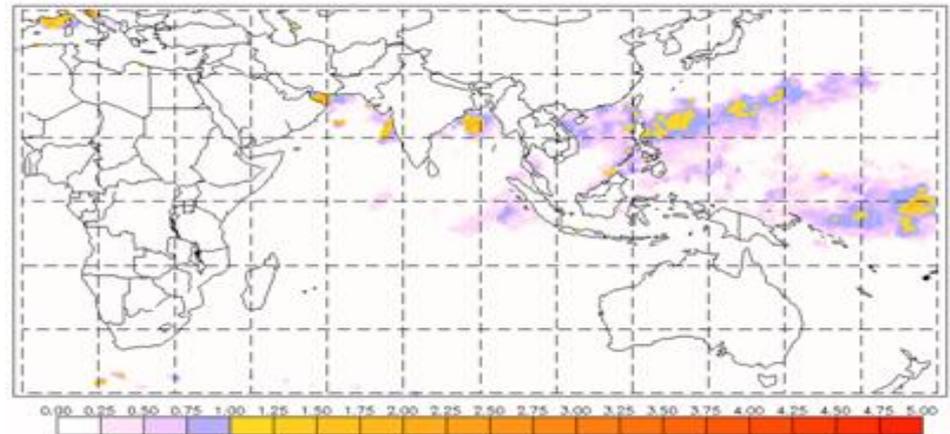
## SST Anomalies

NOAA 50KM GLOBAL ANALYSIS: SST - Climatology (C), 6/24/2002  
(white regions indicate sea-ice)

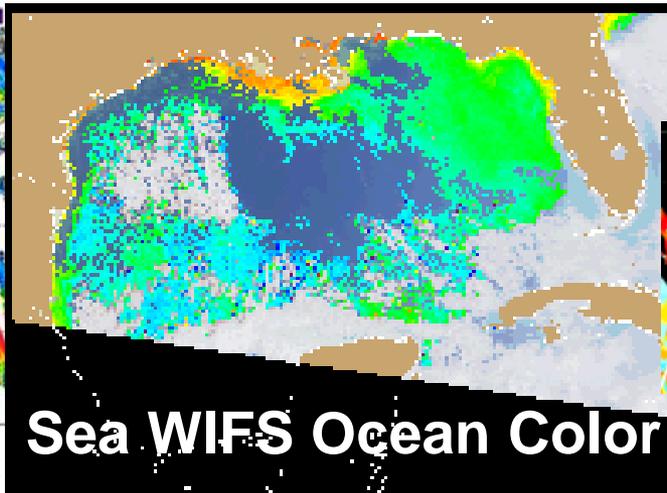


## Hot Spots: Potential Coral Bleaching

NOAA/NESDIS 50km SST - Maximum Monthly Climatology (C), 6/24/2002

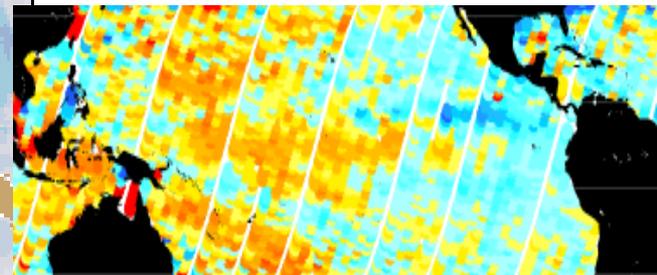


QuikSCAT Winds



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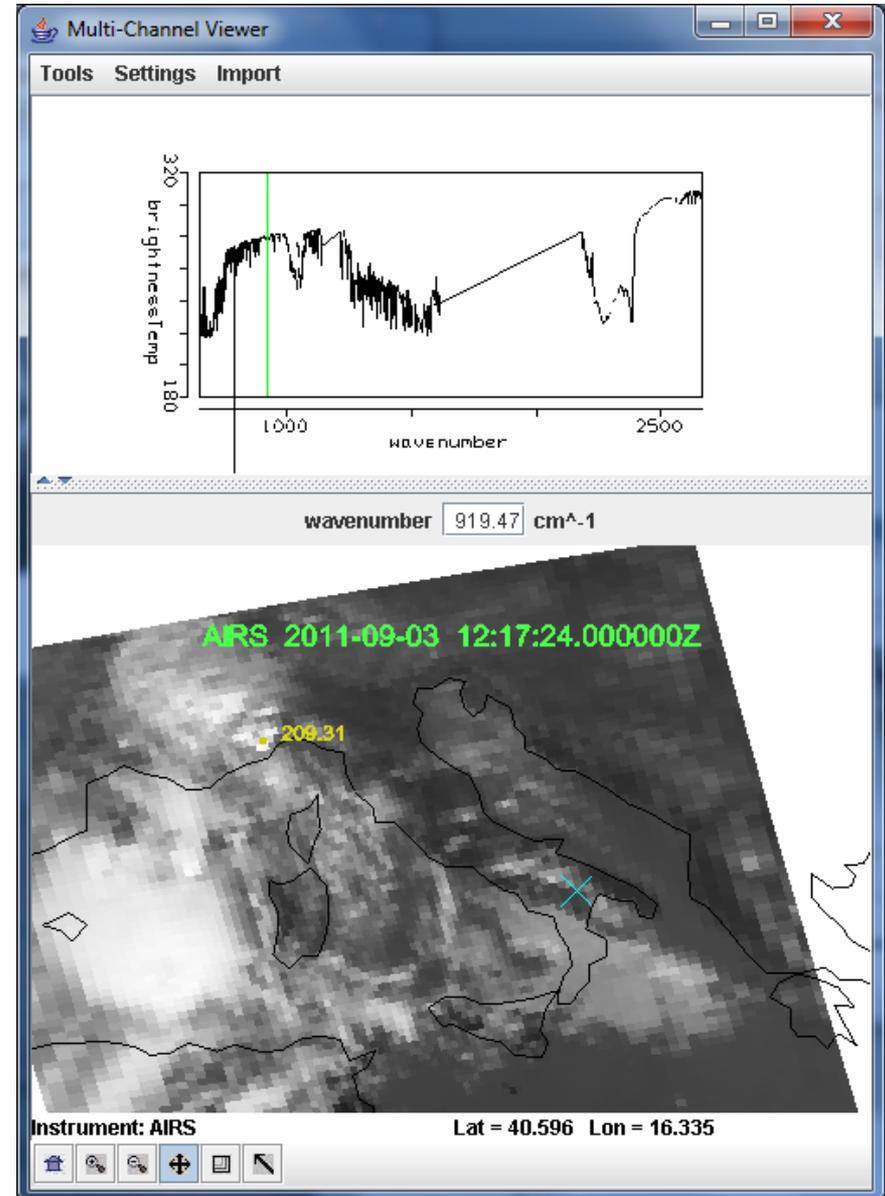
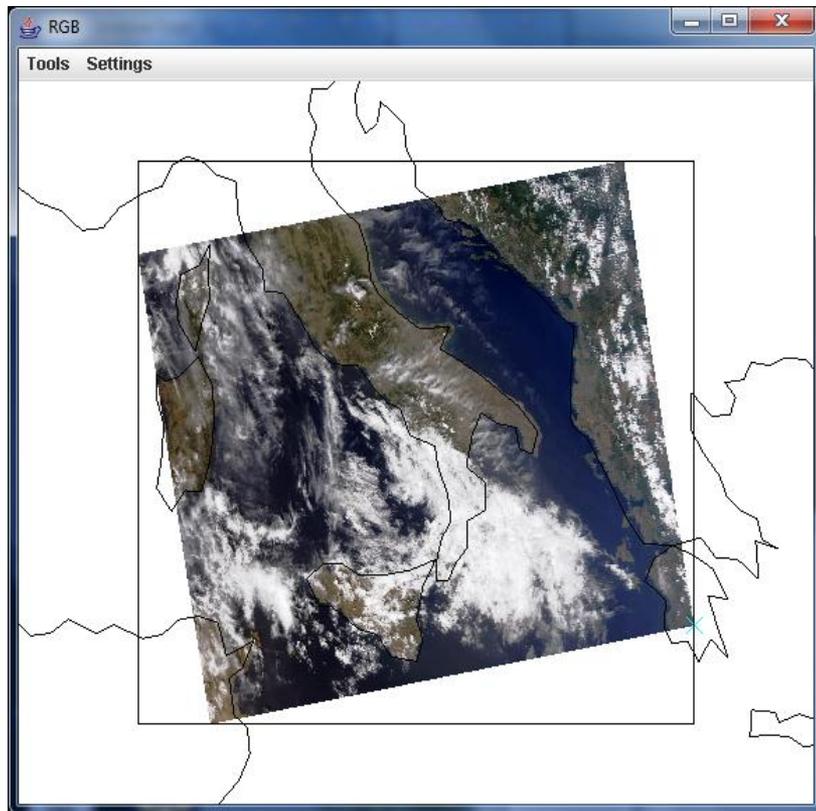
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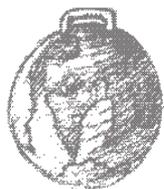
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- \* provides a regional view
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- \* provides repetitive geo-referenced looks at the same area
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- \* operates in all seasons, at night, and in bad weather

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