ABI and AIRS Retrievals in McIDAS-V

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Intro. to McIDAS-V

- Free
- Open source software
- Powerful visualization & data analysis tool
- Build on SSEC's VisAD and Unidata's IDV
- "Bridge" software enables McIDAS-X users to run commands/tasks in McIDAS-V environment



Some features of McIDAS-V

- Use of Java and Jython for platform independence.
- Access to remote servers through firewall.
- General display model supports 2D and 3D displays.
- Versatile visualization and data analysis toolkit.
- Numerous data formats supported (netCDF, AREA, GINI, EUMETCast LRIT, AVHRR L1b, ASCII etc).
- Great support team with an online forum.



Intro. to GOES-R ABI

- 16 channel imaging radiometer that covers the visible, near-IR and IR Spectral regions.
- Spatial Res.
 - IR = 2KM
 - Near-IR = 1KM
 - o.64um = o.5 KM
- Temporal Res. (flex scan mode, [1hr])
 - Full disk = 4
 - CONUS = 12
 - Mesoscale (1000x1000KM) =120
- Spectral Res.
 - Current GOES = '6 Bands'
 - GOES-R = 16 Bands.



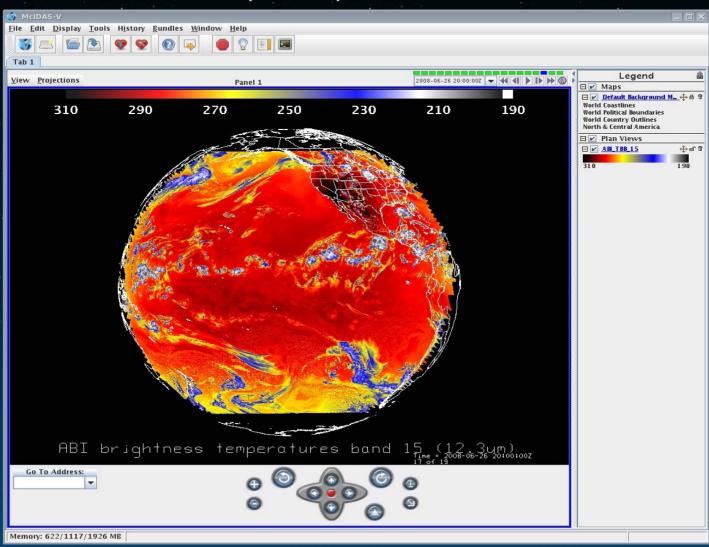
Visualizing simulated ABI in McIDAS-V

- With data from the AWG group, we created
 CF 1.4 compliant netCDF files for:
 - Full Disk (2km res.)
 - CONUS (2km res.)
 - Mesoscale (1km res.)
 - Katrina (2km res.)
- Used McIDAS-V data explorer to ingest files.
 - NetCDF files.
- Displayed images in McIDAS-V map display.
 - Full disk, CONUS, Mesoscale, Katrina, Analysis.



Full disk simulation

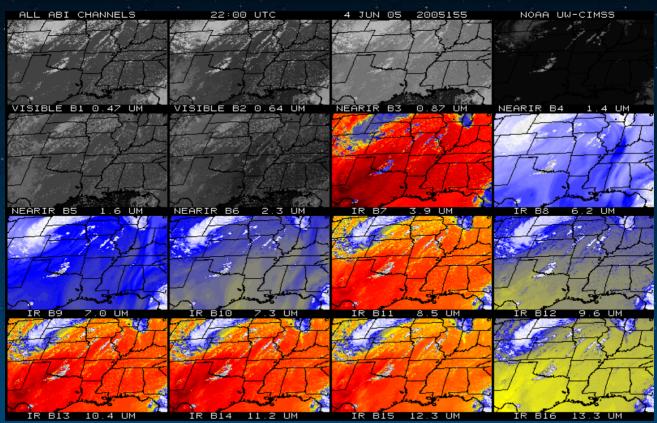
ABI band 15 (12.3um) June 26 2008 at 20:00UTC.





CONUS Simulations

- Rapidly developing severe convection, June 04/05 2005.
- •High res. WRF model cooperated with CIMSS forward radiate transfer model.

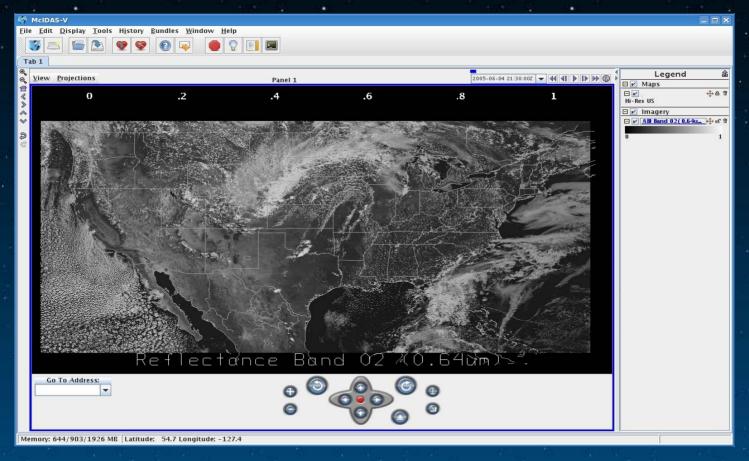




McIDAS-X

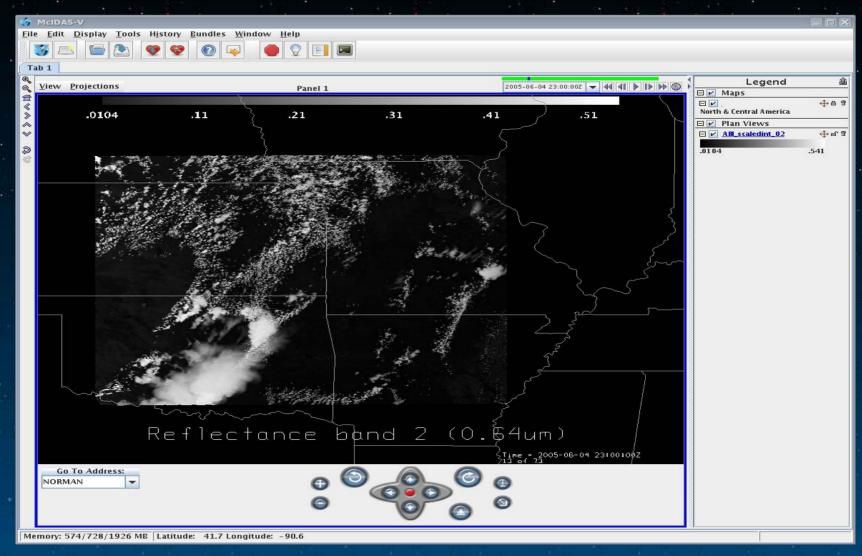
CONUS band 02(0.64um) 2005-06-04 21:30UTC

- Daytime detection of fog, snow and ice cover
- Estimation of solar insolation
- Smoke, volcanic ash and hurricane analysis



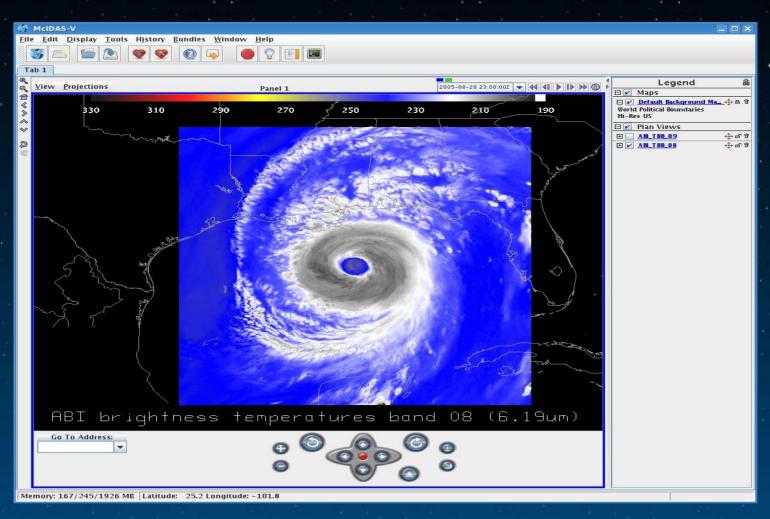


ABI simulated 1Km res. Mesoscale.





Simulated ABI for Hurricane Katrina





McIDAS-V data analysis toolkit.

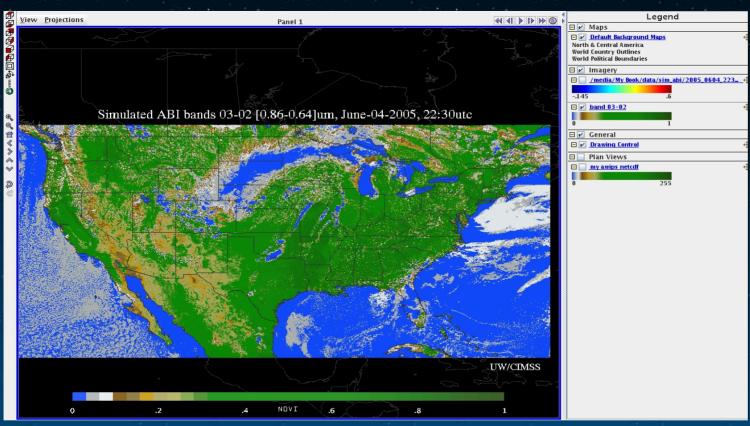
- Easily create a simple formula in McIDAS-V to compute (NDVI) on the fly.
- Use McIDAS-V for scatter analysis of two fields.
- Data transect using McIDAS-V.



Band difference (NDVI)

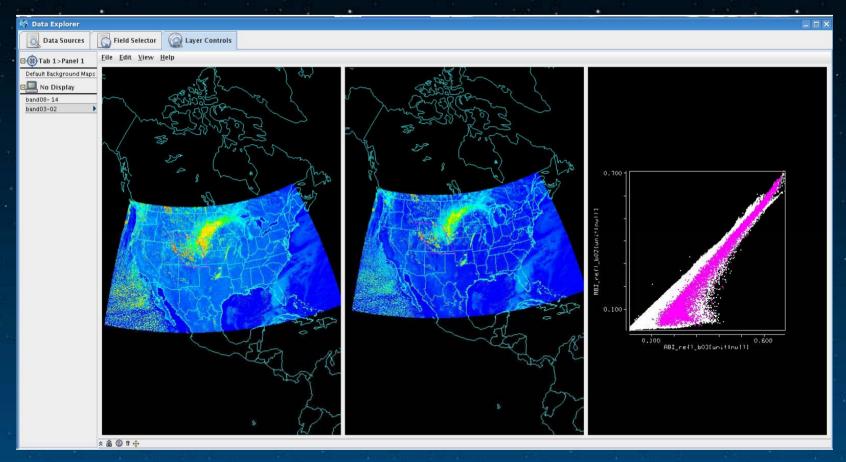
Band03(0.86um) - Band02(0.64um)

- Can compute band difference on the fly.
- Band 03 (0.86um) Band 02 (0.64um)

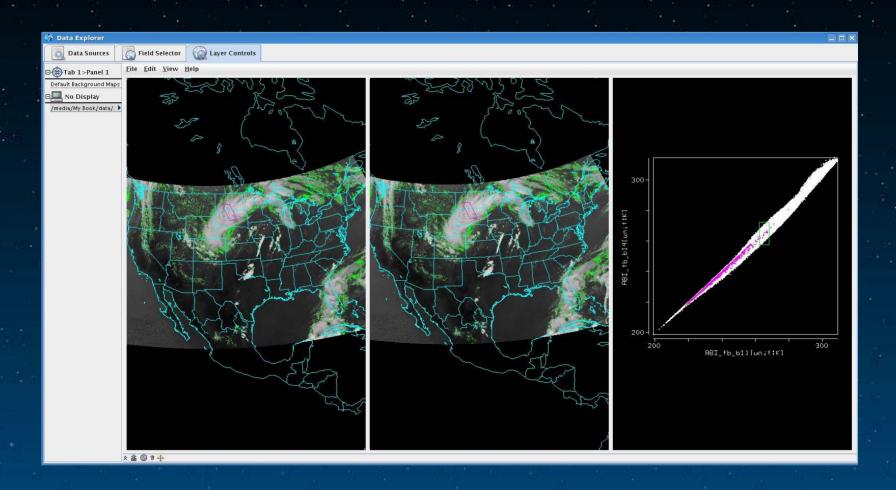




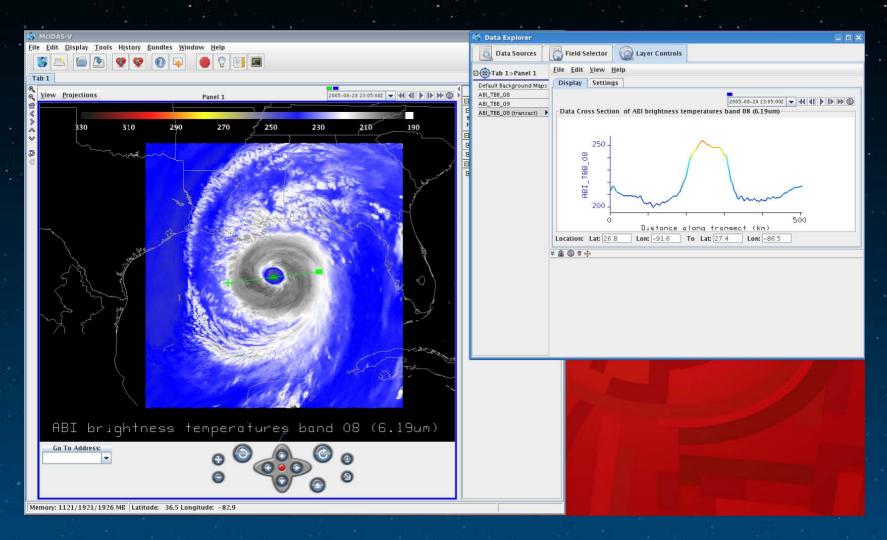
Scatter Analysis
Band 03 (0.86um) and Band 02 (0.64um)



Scatter Analysis Band 14 (11.2um) and Band 11 (8.5um)



Data Transect in McIDAS-V

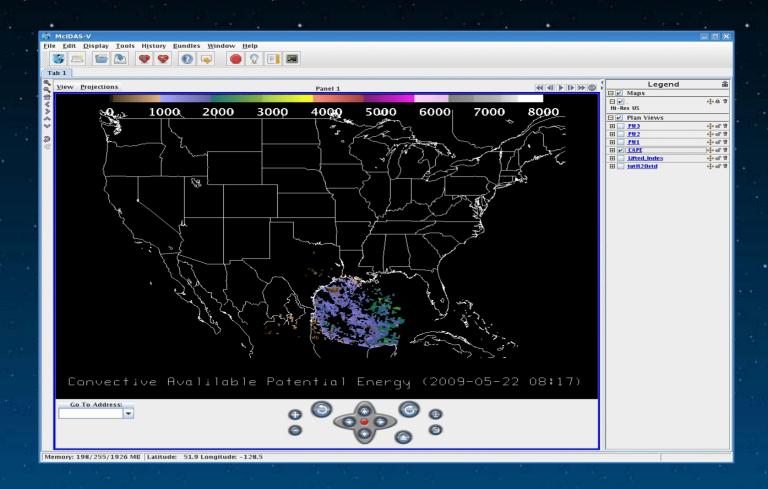


AIRS DPI in McIDAS-V

- Created CF 1.4 Compliant netCDF files for:
 - CAPE, LI, TPW, PW1, PW2, PW3
- Ingested netCDF files using McIDAS-V data explorer and displayed them in the McIDAS-V map display.



Loop of AIRS DPI in McIDAS-V





Summary

Pro's

- Little or no programming skills needed.
- Very resourceful Users guide.
- Lots of room for new ideas and improvements.

Con's

- Needs lots of memory for large files or loops.
 - · Load time
- Cannot display 16 bands in one frame.
- Display labels are hard to manipulate.



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