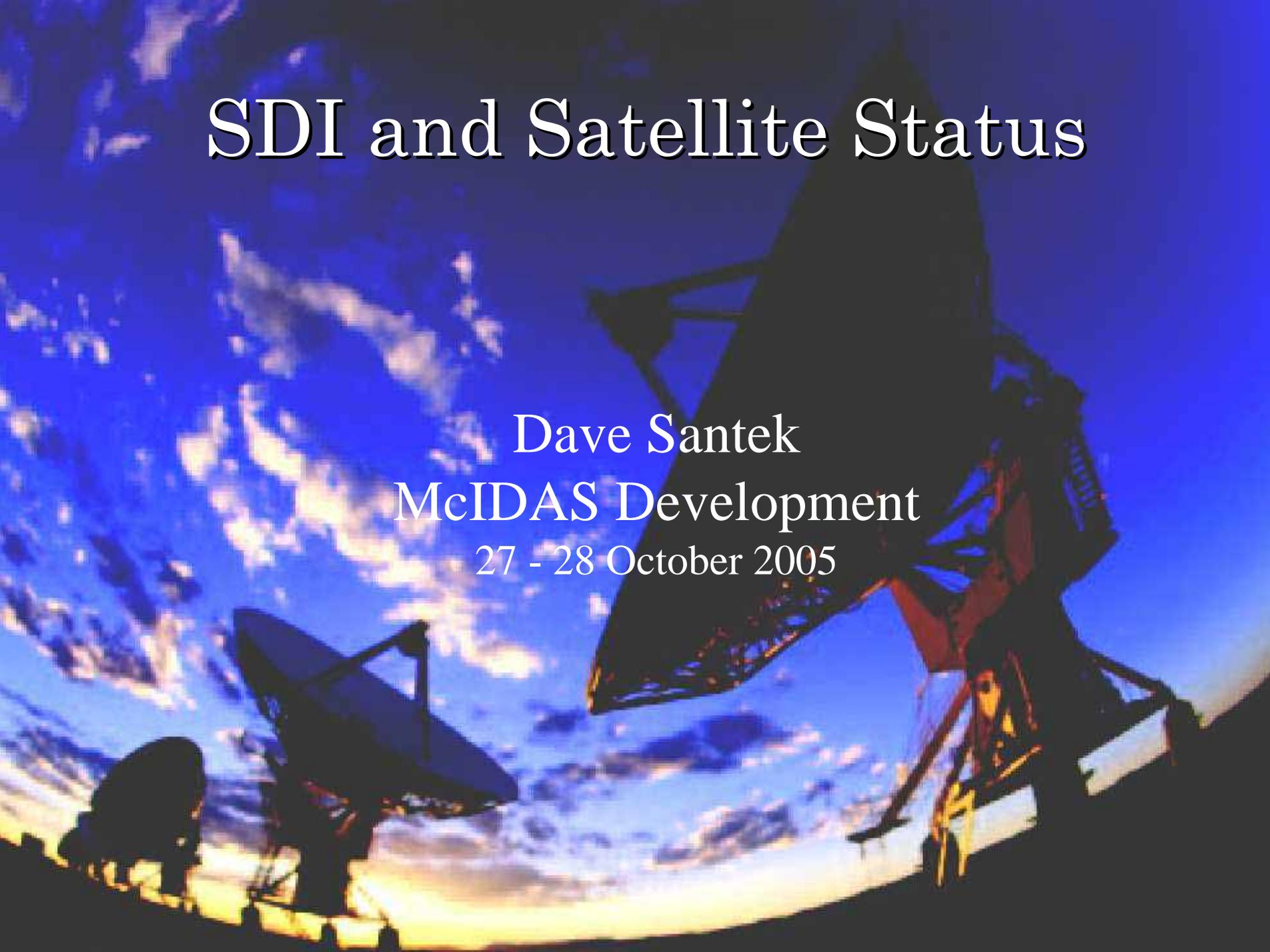


SDI and Satellite Status



Dave Santek
McIDAS Development
27 - 28 October 2005

Overview

- SDI Redesign
- NOAAPORT Status
- Satellites and SDI Status

Why Redesign?

- Current configuration
 - Based 8 year-old technology
 - Compatible PCs are difficult to find
 - No 5v PCI slots on newer servers
 - Current GOES series will be here until at least 2012
 - Data rate limited to 15 Mbits/s; new satellites will have data rates twice that

Hardware Configuration

- PC/104-Plus
- 1 GHz CPU
- Boot from compact flash
- Ethernet:
10/100/1000 BaseT
- Connectors for
monitor and
keyboard
- Mounted in 2U
rack box



Software Configuration

- Linux
 - New device driver written
- Ingestor software modified slightly
- Server software is unchanged
- Configured as a standalone ingestor/server or data written to external disk

NOAAPORT

- DVB-S began in early 2005
 - SDI not used; ingests on standard PC
 - Interface to Novra receiver via Ethernet
 - Unidata-written code takes raw data stream → LDM → McIDAS-XCD
 - Instructions on configuring hardware and software:
 - <http://www.ssec.wisc.edu/mcidas/software/xcd/dvb/>

SDI Status for Current Satellites

- GOES: no change; adapting servers for future satellites
- Meteosat-5 and -7: no change
- POES: no change through NOAA-18
- FY-1D:
 - Polar orbiting satellite from China
 - Receiving at SSEC

SDI Status for Current Satellites

- DMSP: no change; this continues to be difficult to support without being able to receive the signal directly
- Meteosat-8: no SDI
- FY-2C: Chinese geostationary
 - No SDI; data available to McIDAS

MTSAT

- HiRID format (remapped)
 - 2 more bits for IR channels
 - Additional 3.7 μm channel
 - SDI upgrade needed for additional channel and bit resolution
- HRIT format (native)
 - Higher spatial resolution than HiRID
 - Work just beginning on ingestor and server

Future Polar Satellites

We are monitoring the status and data delivery of future polar orbiting satellites MetOp, NOAA-N', NPP, and NPOESS. We expect these to have a Direct Broadcast mode and are investigating having SDIs available.