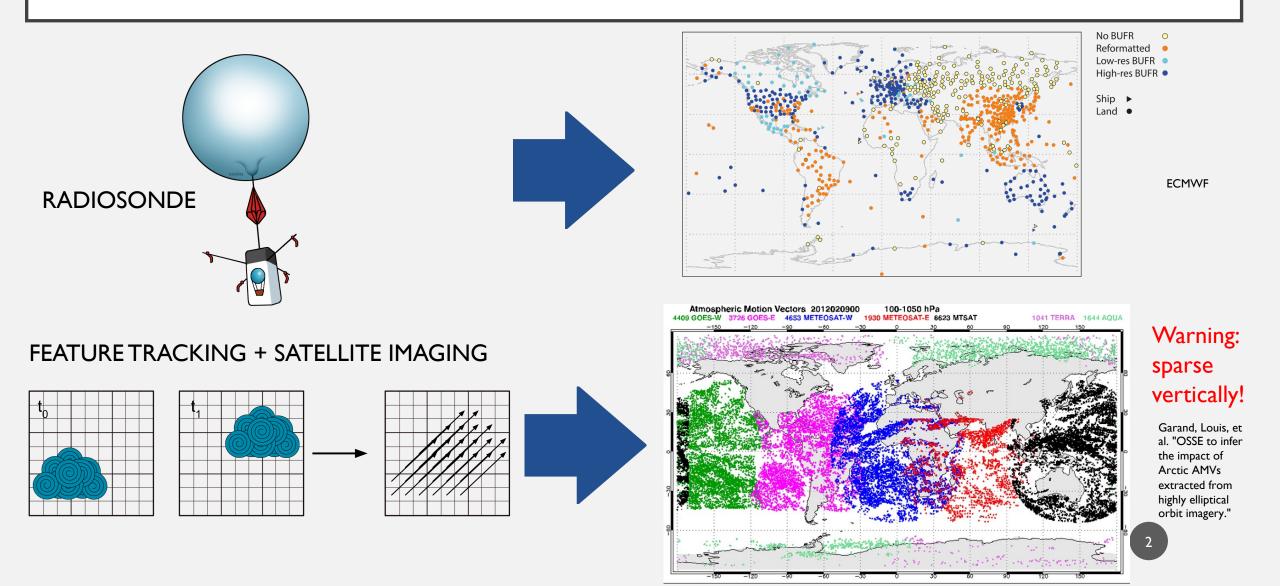
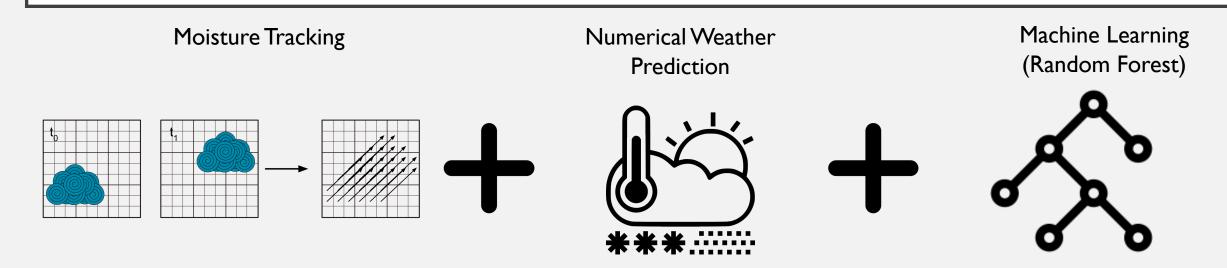
TWO STAGE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ALGORITHM FOR CALCULATING MOISTURE-TRACKING ATMOSPHERIC MOTION VECTORS

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Method: Reduce noise of multiscale moisture tracking by combining it with a machine learning algorithm that "learns" from short-term forecasting:



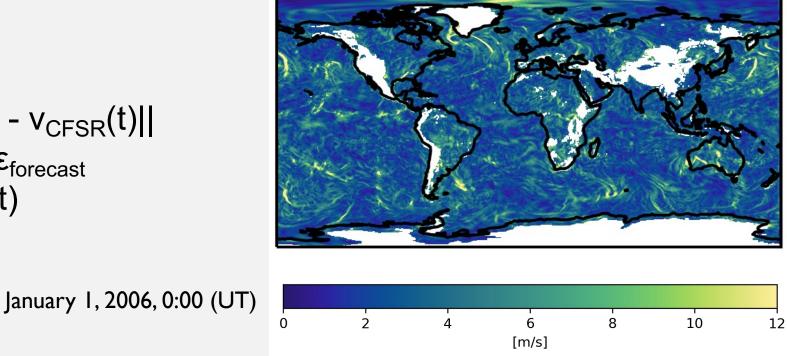
Two stage algorithm: Process satellite images with feature tracking and correct it with short-term forecast data at same timestep.

fsUA
$$\mathbf{V}^*(t) = f_{\text{variational}}(\mathbf{q}(t - \Delta t), \mathbf{q}(t), \mathbf{q}(t + \Delta t))$$

UA $\mathbf{V}(t) = f_{\text{RF}}(\mathbf{V}^*(t), \mathbf{V}_{\text{NWP}}(t))$ Ouyed et al. 2021, submitted

 v_{NWP} (t): forecasted horizontal wind field at time t from operational model.

Forecast error is calculated from reanalysis differences. Ground truth is GOES-5 Nature Run wind velocities fields.



Forecast Error

$$\begin{split} &||\epsilon_{\text{forecast}}|| \sim ||v_{\text{ERA5}}(t) - v_{\text{CFSR}}(t)|| \\ &v_{\text{NWP}}(t) = v_{\text{G5NR}}(t) + \epsilon_{\text{forecast}} \\ &v_{\text{ground truth}}(t) = v_{\text{G5NR}}(t) \end{split}$$

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UA performs much better than other algorithms.

(a) fsUA (b) Traditional (c) UA (d) Forecast Error 2 10 8 12 0 4 6 [m/s]

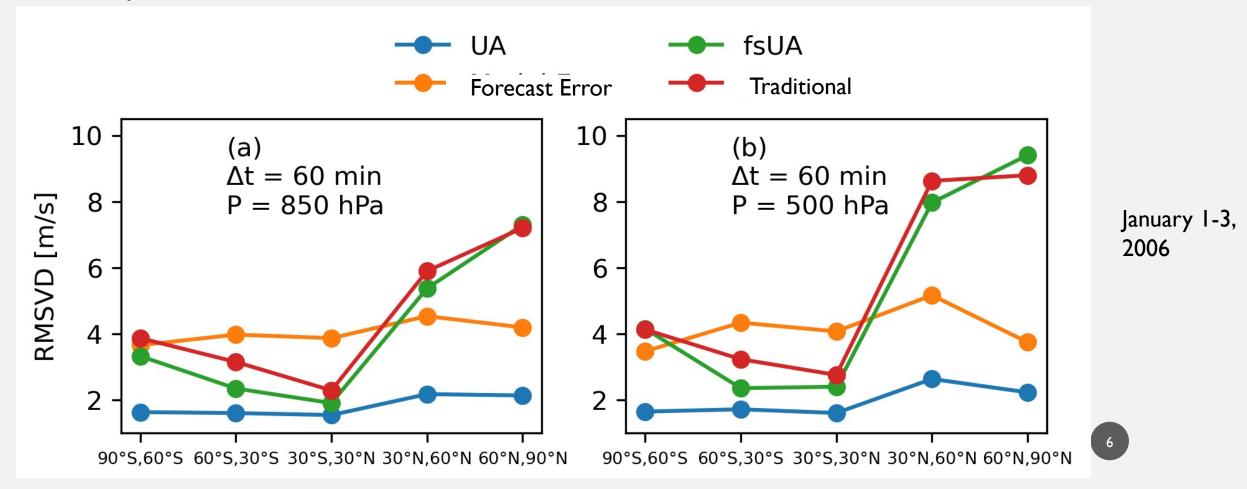
850 hPa, dt=1 hour, January 1, 2006, 0:00 (UT)

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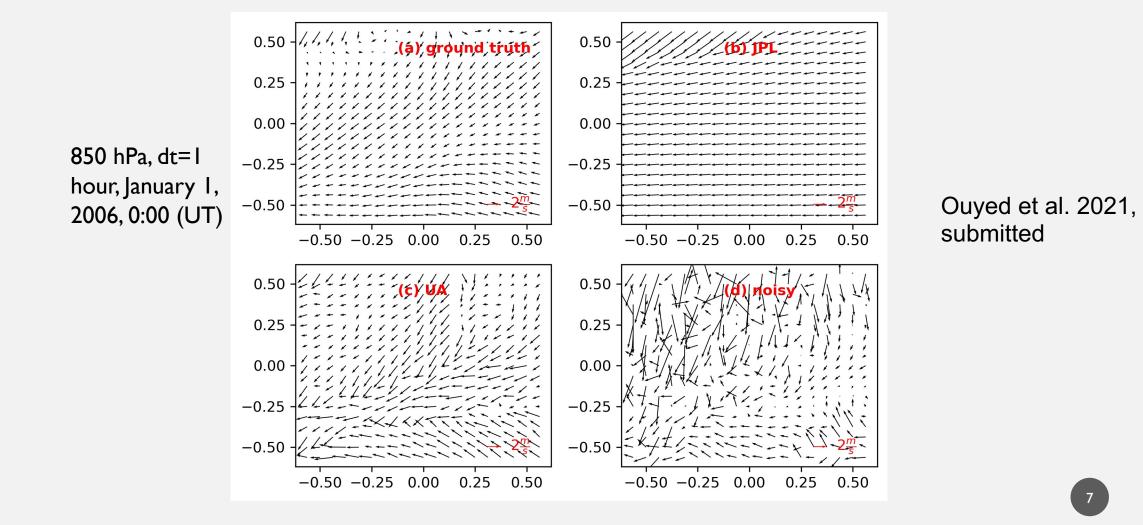
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Results: UA performs much better than forecast error and traditional algorithm.

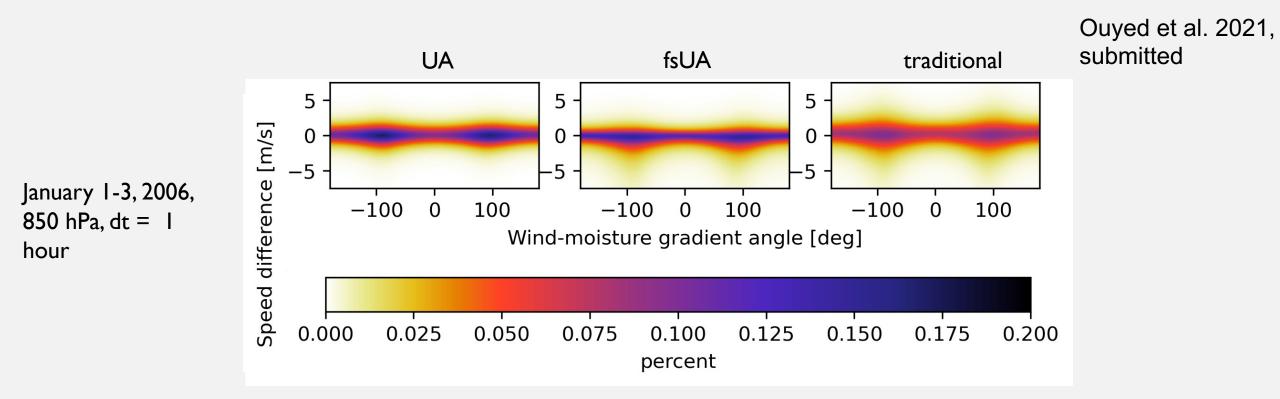
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UA produces high resolution AMVs.

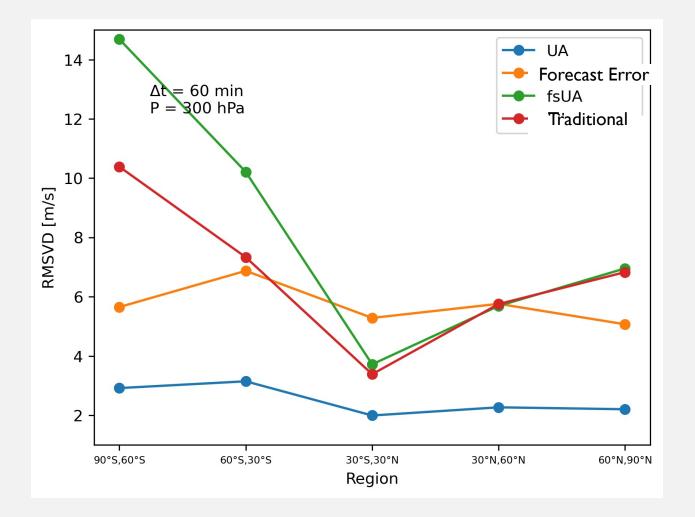


UA corrects even error prone regions like points where water vapor isolines are parallel to motion.



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UA handles the upper troposphere well.



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UA passed various robustness tests, with error within 3 m/s in all of them.

- UA robust to random sampling of training data (standard deviation <0.2 m/s).
- UA robust to collocation error.
- UA robust to simulated satellite retrieval error

Conclusion

- UA performs much better than the traditional algorithm.
- UA excels under difficult conditions such as low moisture or when moisture isolines are parallel to velocity.
- This results act as a lower bound of error for UA, since they are based on model data, rather than satellite imaging.