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Overview

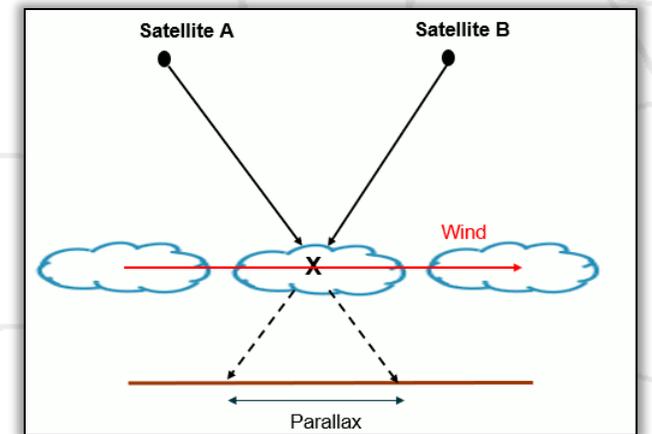
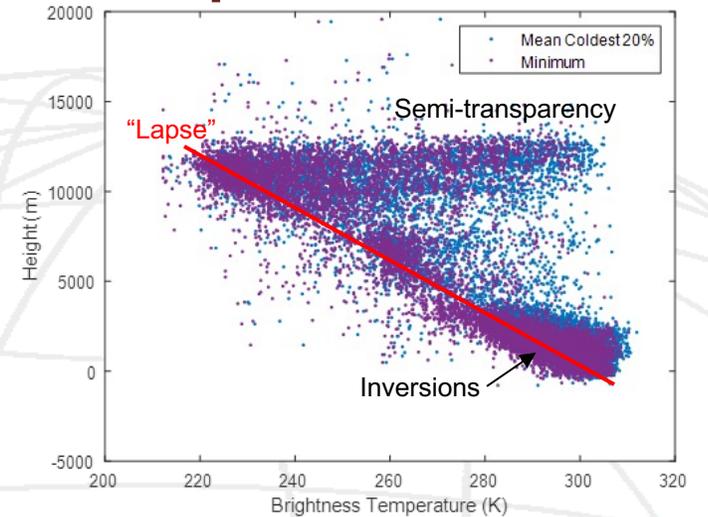
- NOAA & NASA “3D Winds” collaborations 2018-present
 - GEO-GEO Stereo (GOES, Himawari, Meteosat, [GK2A](#))
 - GEO-LEO Stereo GEO+(MISR, MODIS, VIIRS, [Tandem VIIRS](#)) **New**
 - Multi-LEO (MODIS, VIIRS, [SLSTR](#))
- Progress at NOAA towards Operational Stereo Winds
- Development of Multi-LEO Stereo for Polar Winds
- Applications and Validation

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Stereo Winds Concept

- Stereo-Winds Method
 - Tracers are tracked over time from multiple platforms or look directions
 - Joint retrieval interprets apparent shifts in tracer location (“Disparities”) as a wind with its height
- Benefits
 - Direct and presumably more accurate height assignments vs. IR methods with modeled thermodynamics
 - NWP model independence
 - Complementary with LiDAR to provide 3D information with wide coverage at one (few) layer(s)
- Old idea made possible by modern Image Navigation and Registration (INR)



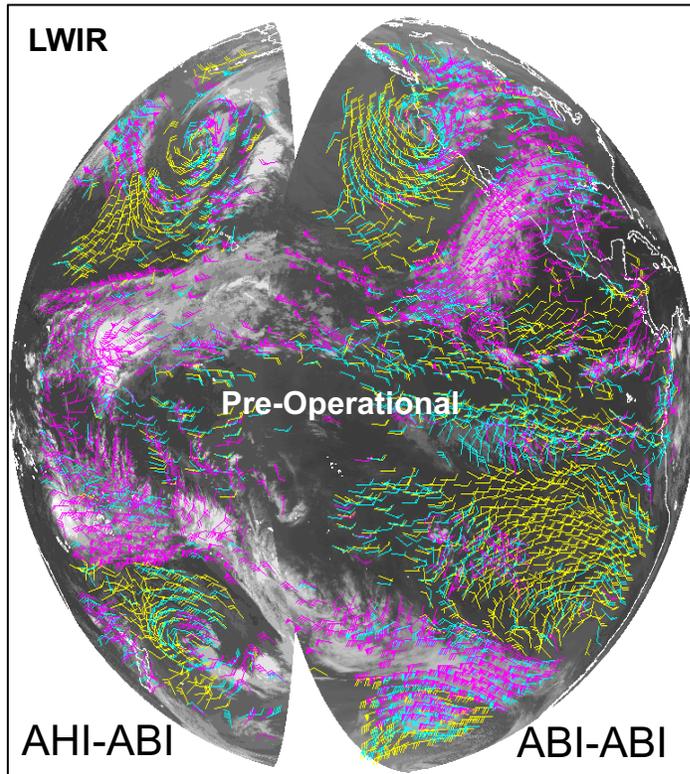
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Existing Stereo-Wind Product Types

GEO-GEO

GEO-LEO

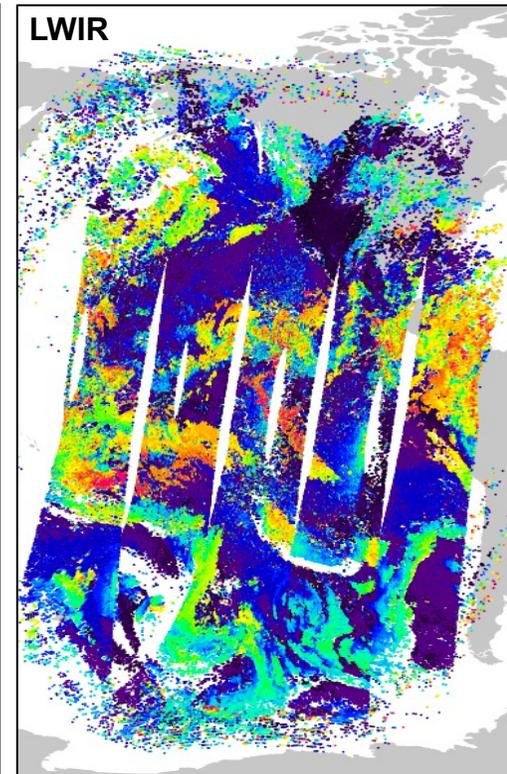
GEO-LEO Multi-Angle



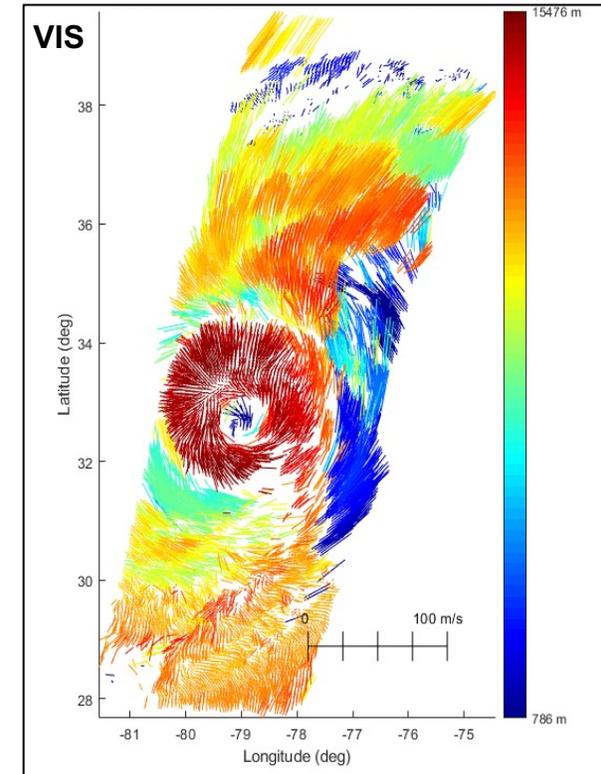
Pathfinder GEO-GEO
Stereo Winds Product



Pathfinder GEO-LEO
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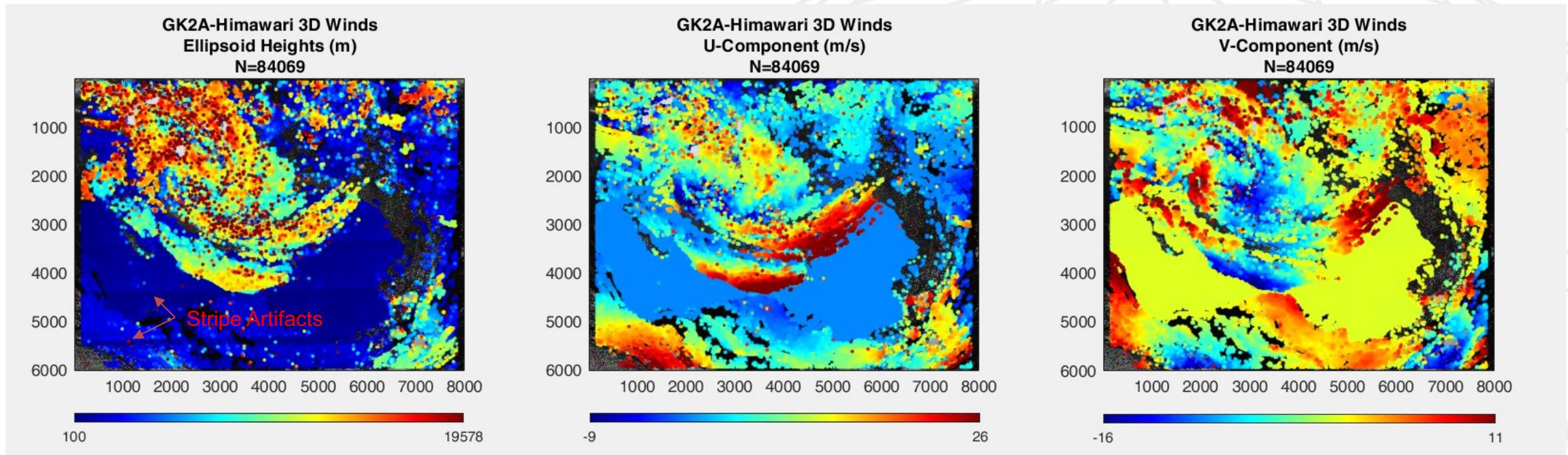
Multi-Orbit GOES-
MODIS/Terra Daytime



GOES-MISR Multi-Angle
Dorian Mesoscale

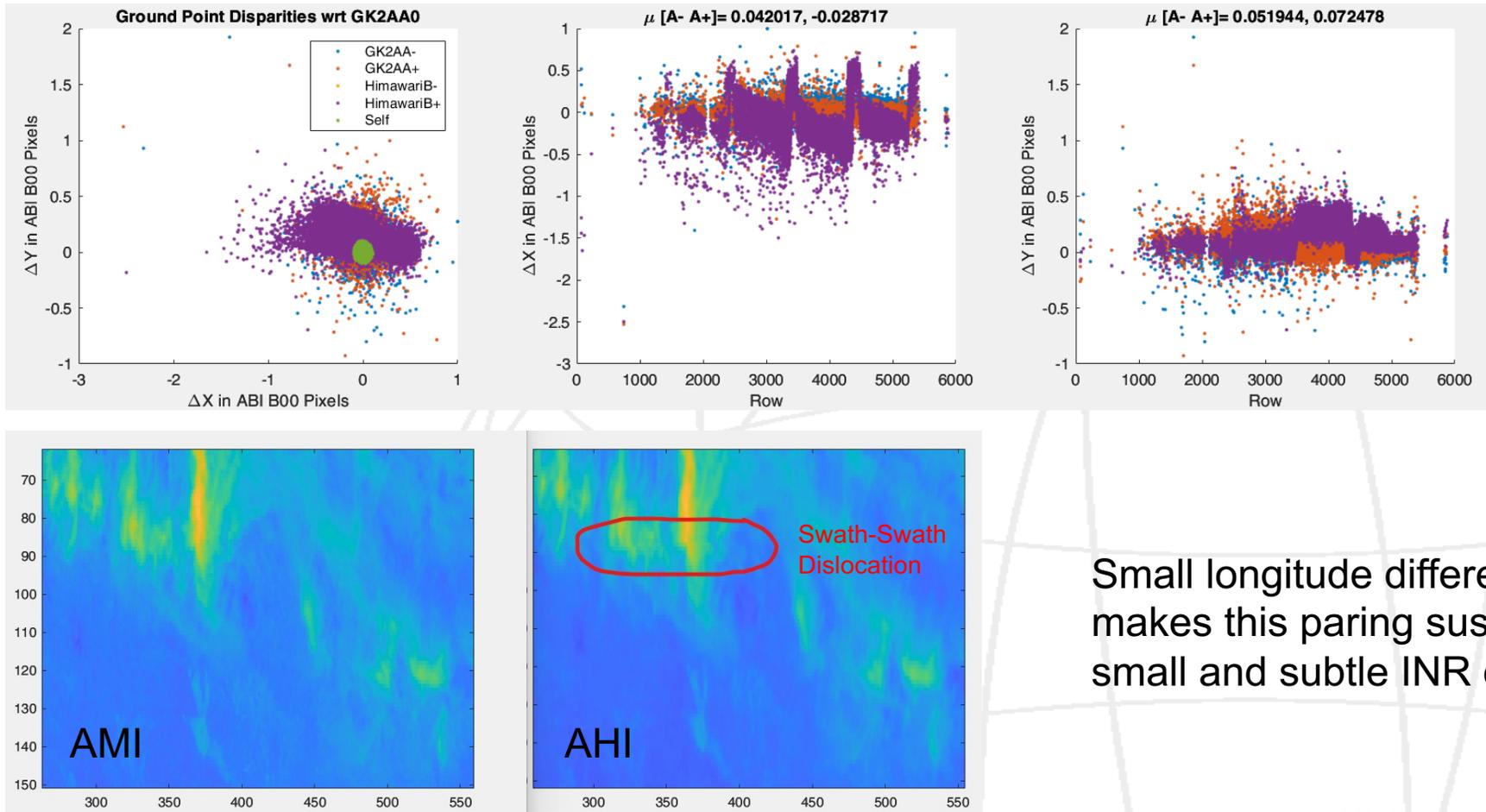
GK2A/AMI Overlapping Himawari/AHI

Example of Australian Region of Interest: B03 @ 0.5 km



Very useful to study smoke plumes from wildfires

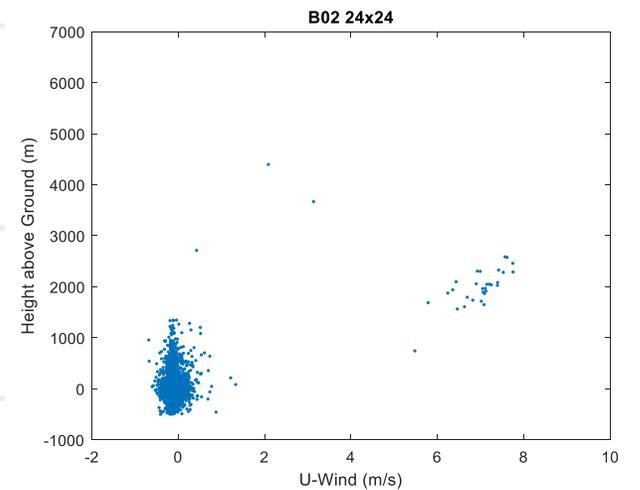
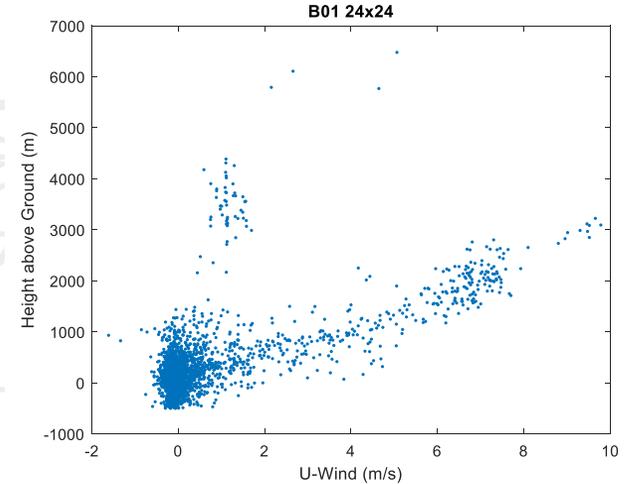
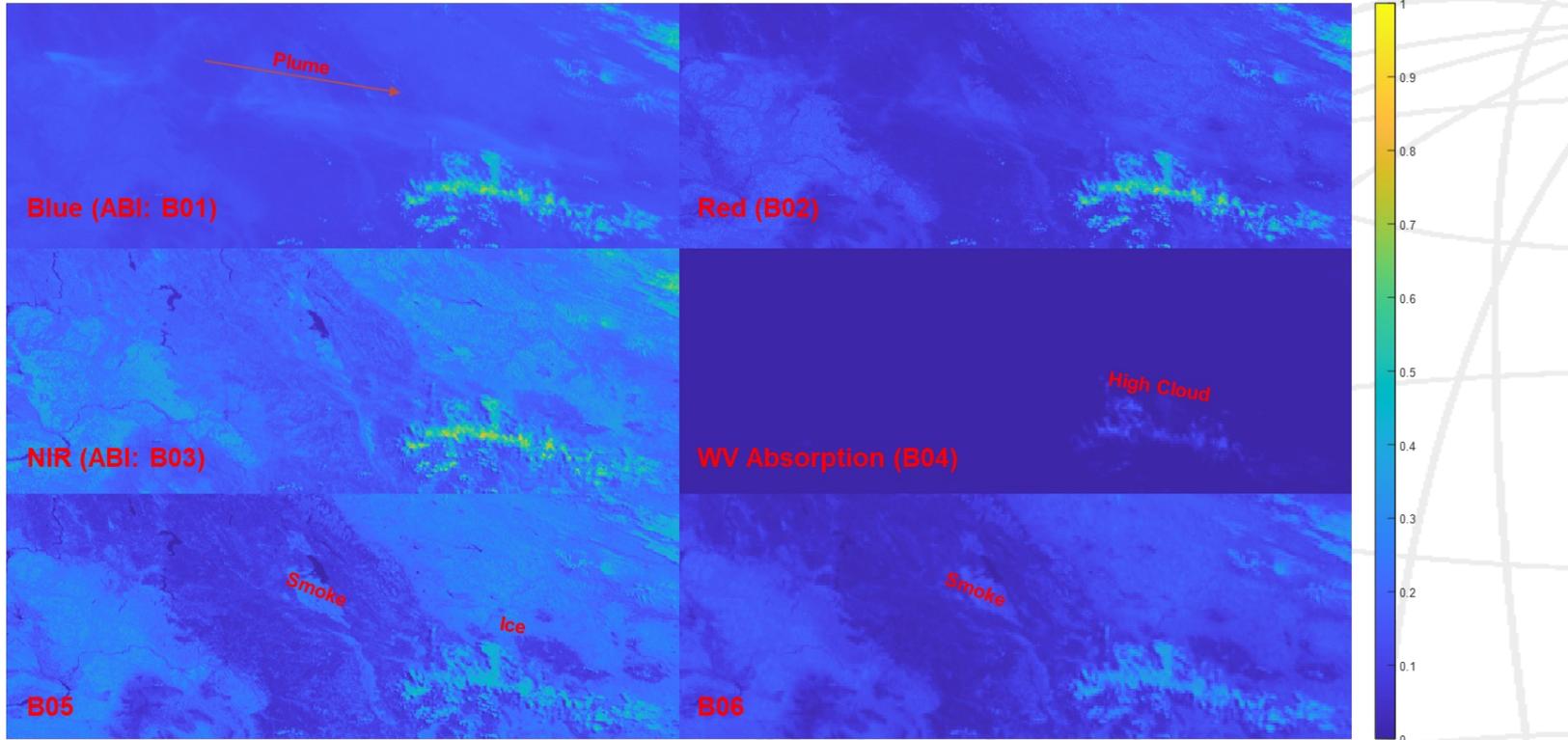
AMI-AHI Ground Sites



Small longitude difference of 12.5° makes this pairing susceptible to small and subtle INR errors

Smoke vs. Cloud Advection

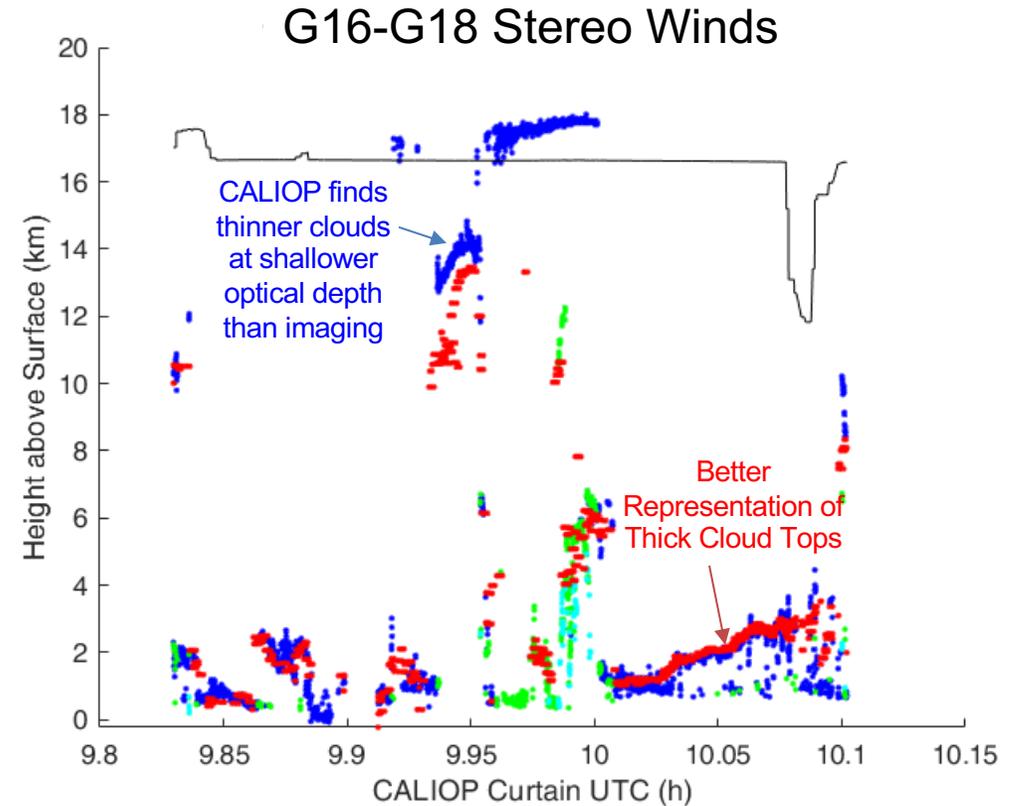
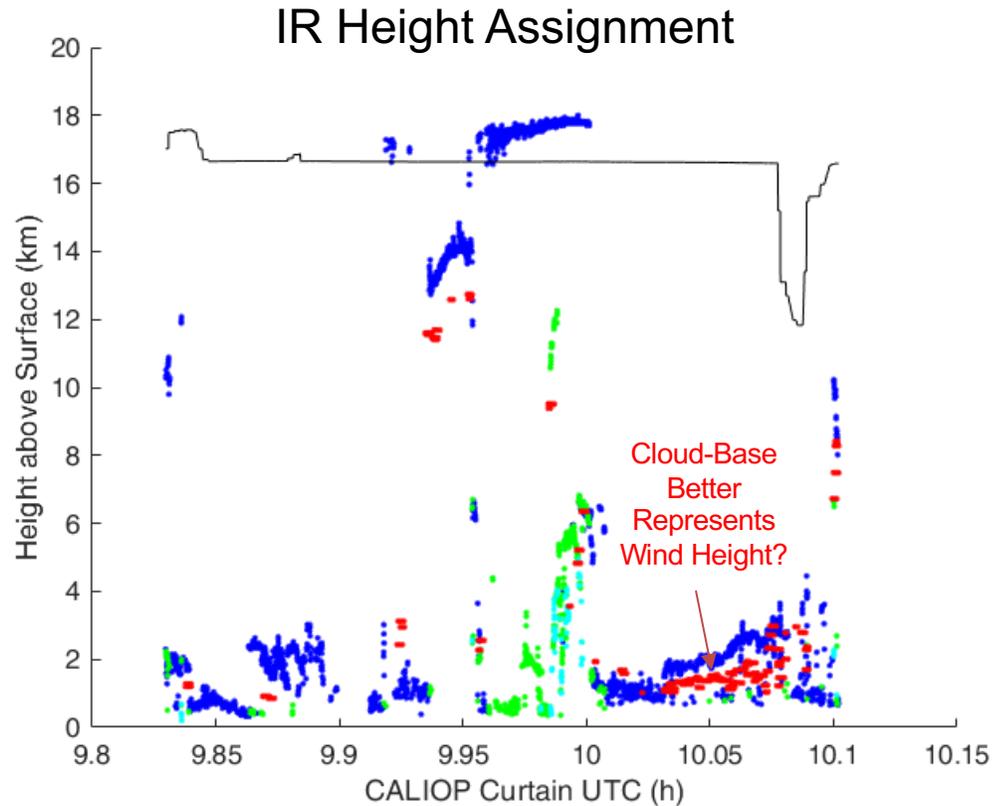
G17 2019/219 18:11 (Fire Near Washington/Idaho Border)



Multiband approach discriminates smoke from clouds

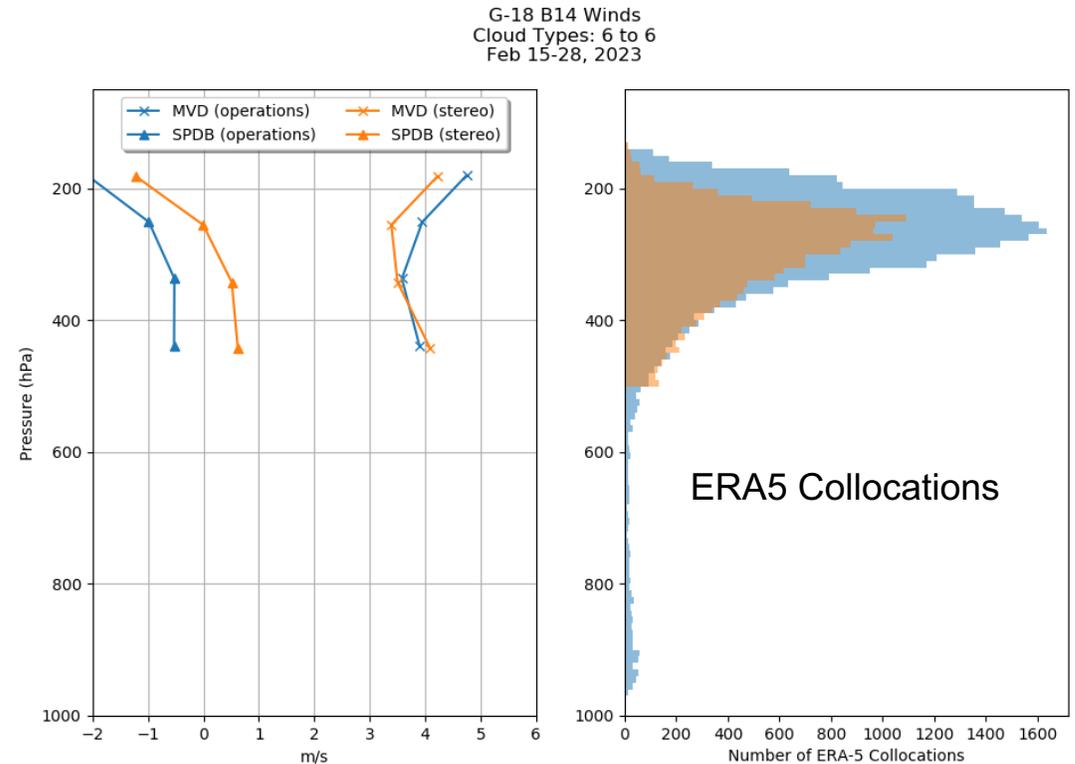
GEO-GEO CALIOP Validation

Near Simultaneous with CALIPSO Overpass: Marine Clouds



Comparative Height Assignments

- Stereo methods seem to have the clearest benefit for higher-level winds
- Situation is more nuanced at lower levels where cloud base may be the better marker for wind height in marine environments
 - Collocated reanalysis winds seem not as well aligned with stereo ones in these cases (more work to be done)
- Observation points to having both height assignments available in Operational products



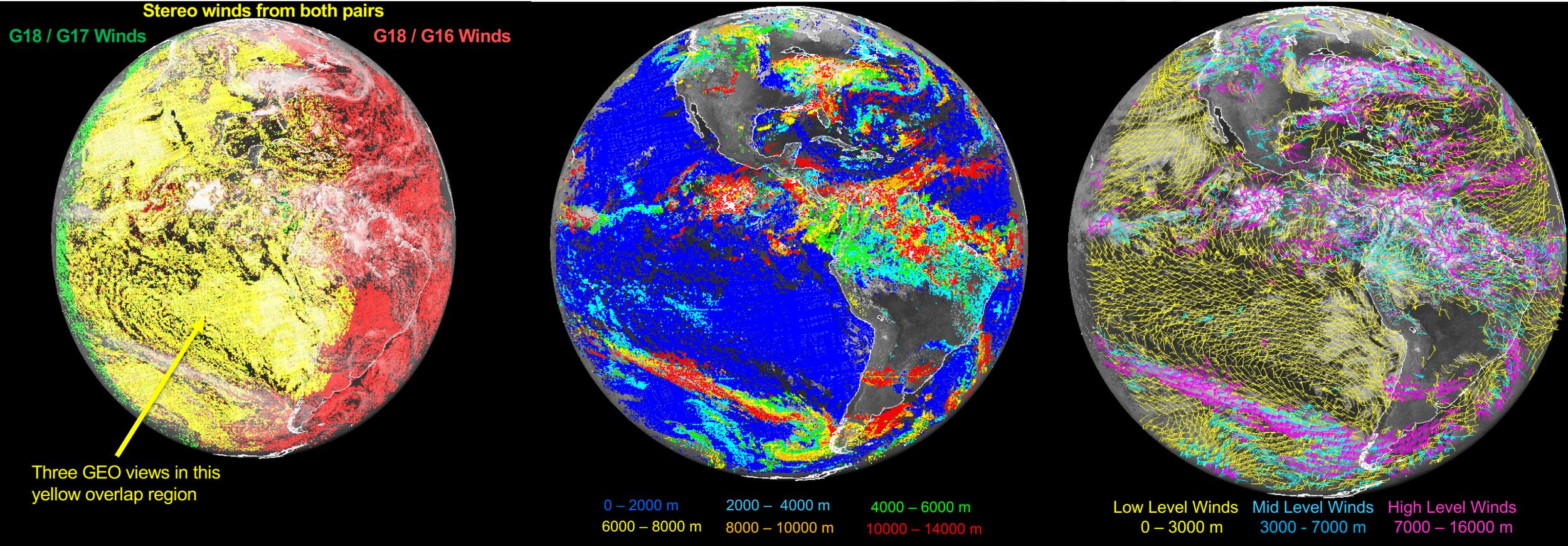
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Filling in the GEO Ring

Overlapping Coverage

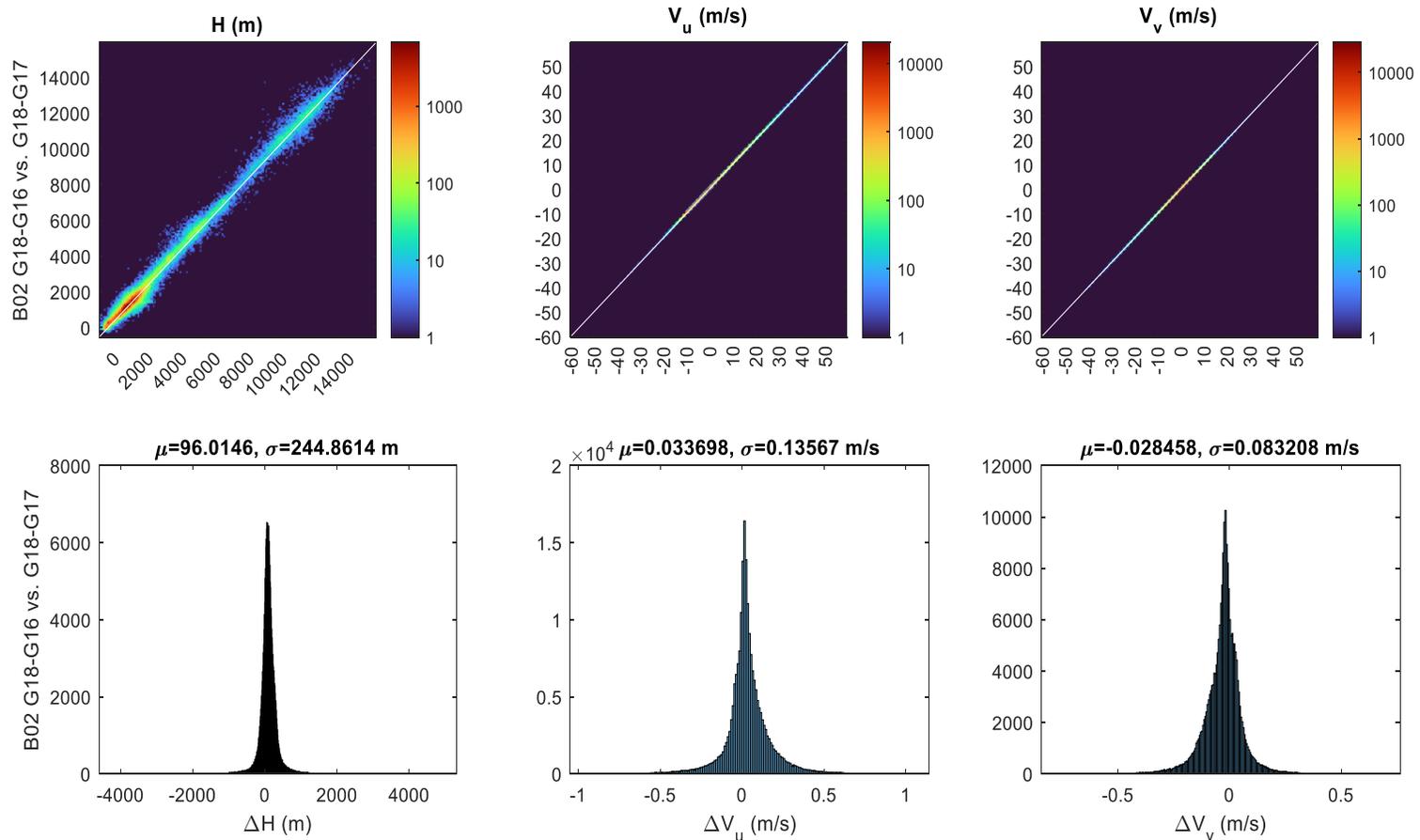
Retrieved Ellipsoid Height (m)

Retrieved Stereo Winds (Band 2)



G17: -137.2° G18: -89.5° G16: -75.2°

Consistency between G18-X Pairings

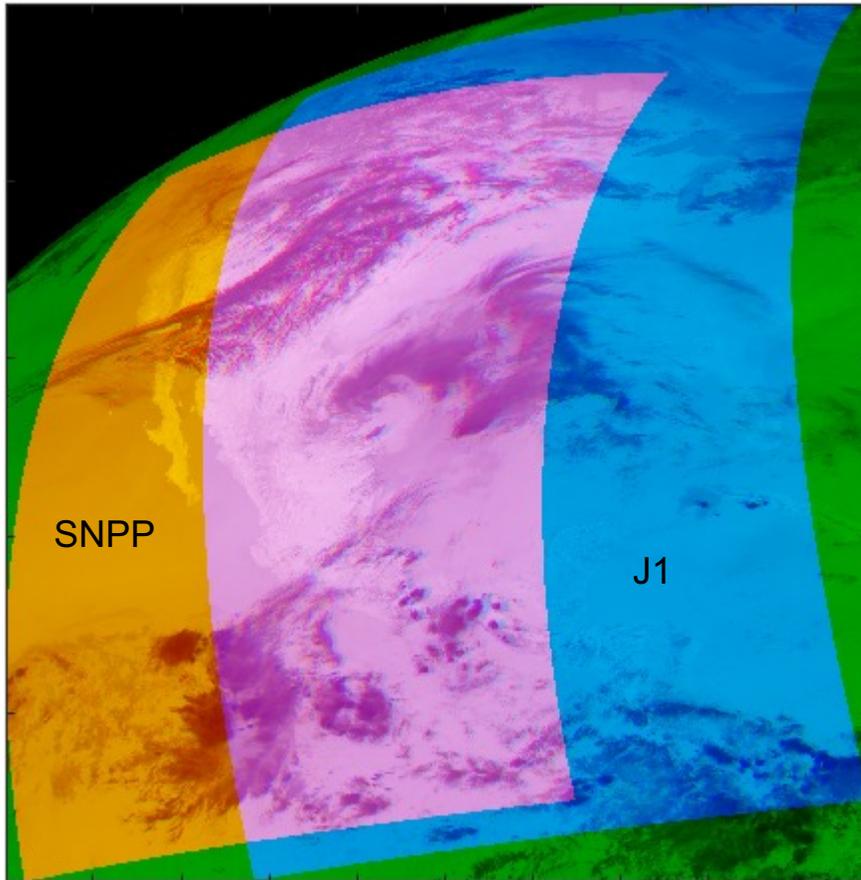


Breadth and Consistency shows Strength/Benefit of Stereo with a full GEO Ring

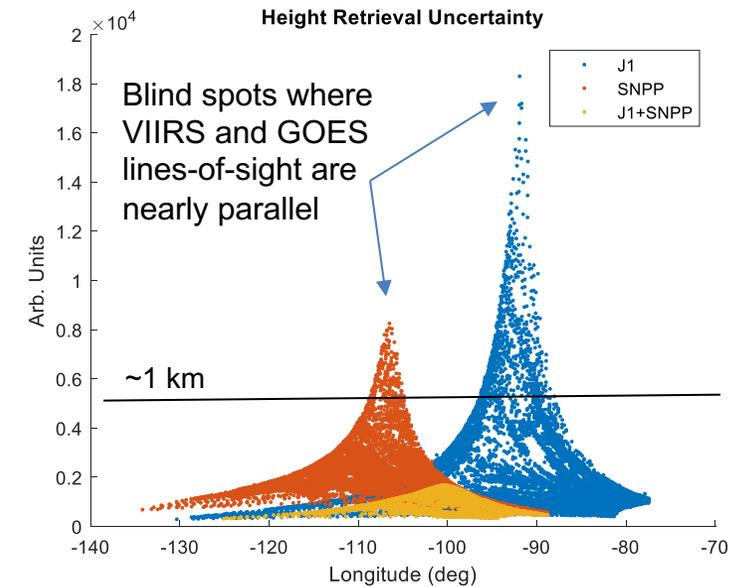
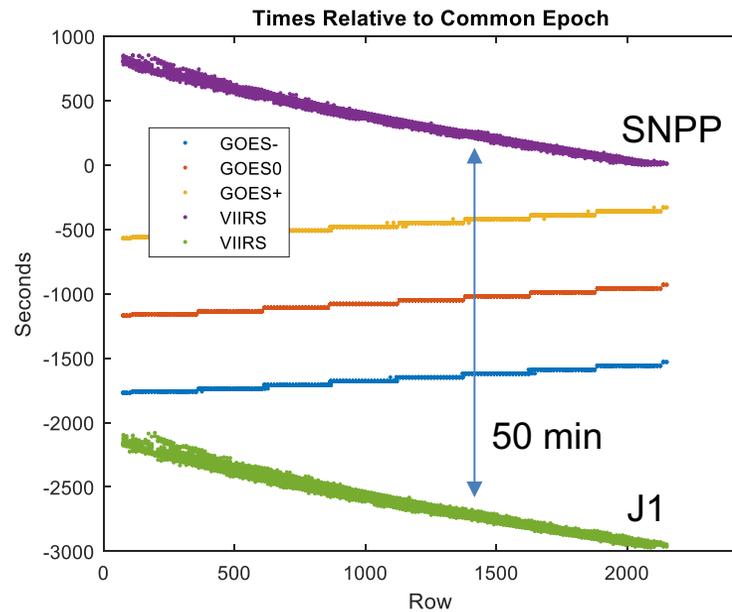
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Single & Tandem VIIRS

VIIRS over GOES

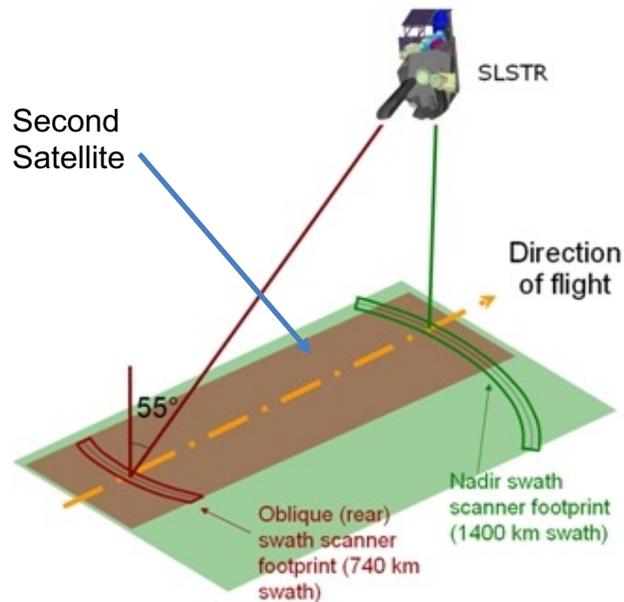


- 2xVIIRS mitigates stereo blind spots in the triple overlap
- Single-VIIRS coverage extends breadth of product



Polar Stereo w/ MODIS & SLSTR

Multi-Angle Sensing Solves
“Stereo Blind Spot” or
Astereopsis Problem.

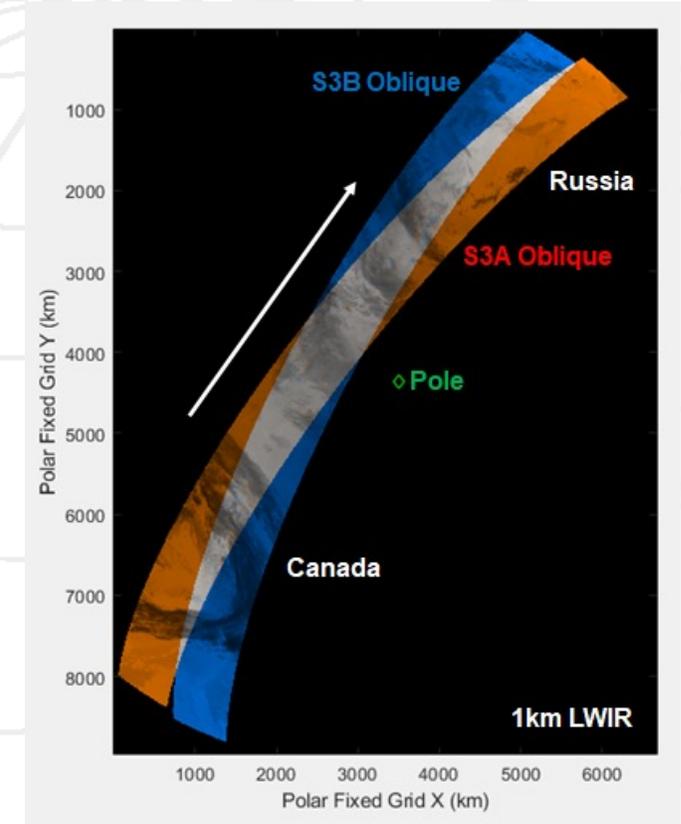


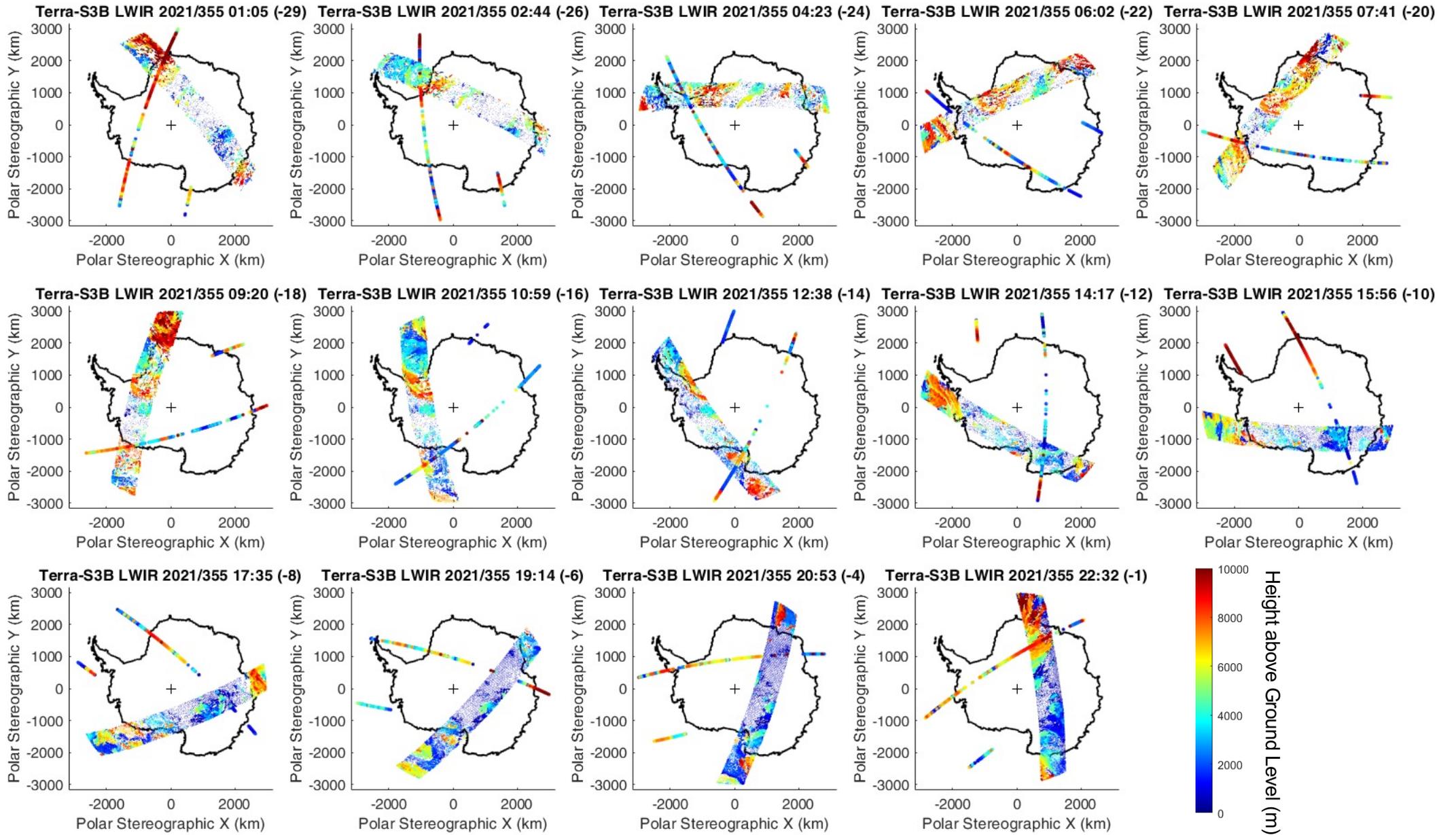
- Sentinel-3A/B and Terra form a train.
- Sentinel-3 and Terra time phasing beats due to different orbital periods.

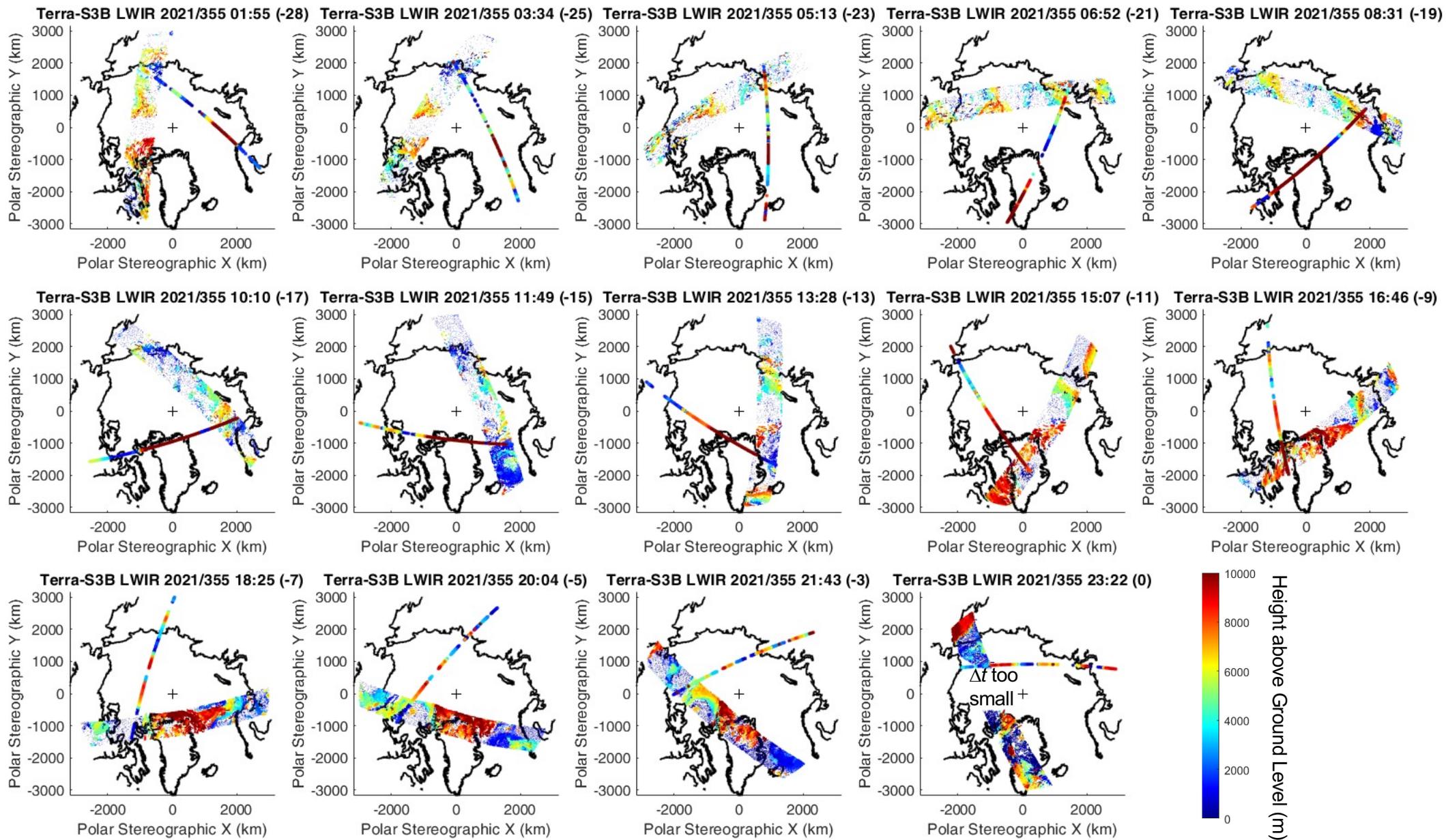
2-Satellite Tandem w/
Global Coverage



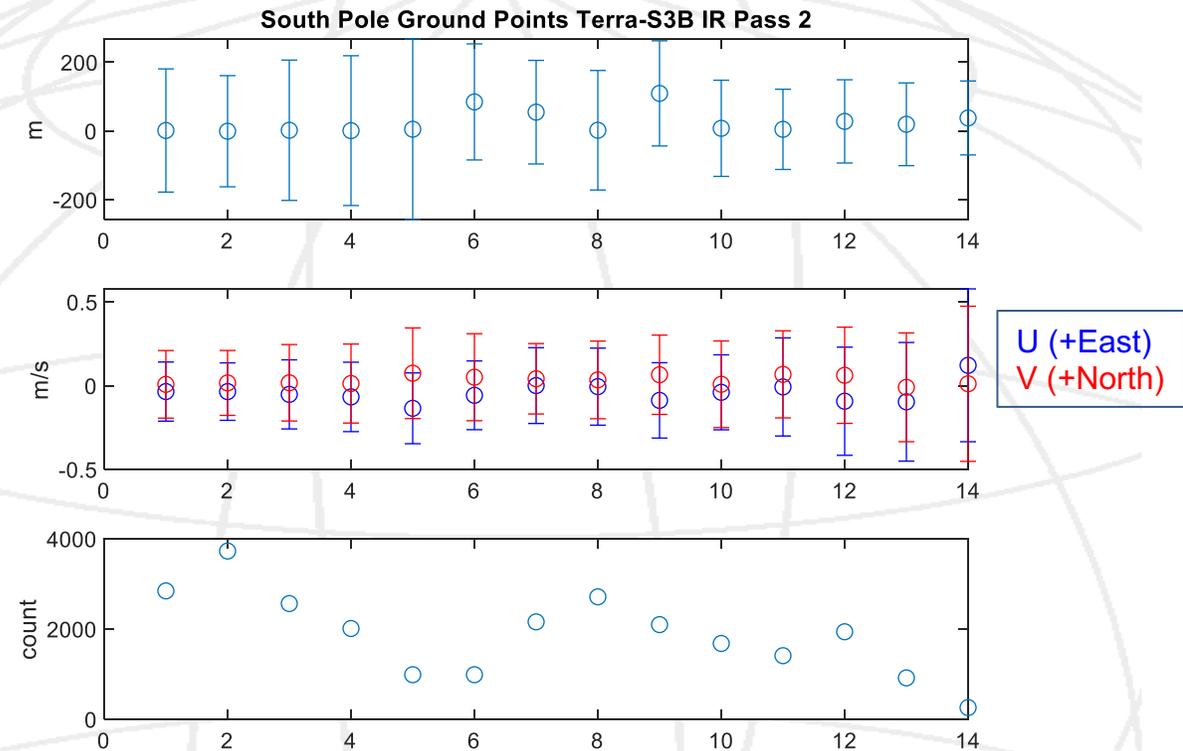
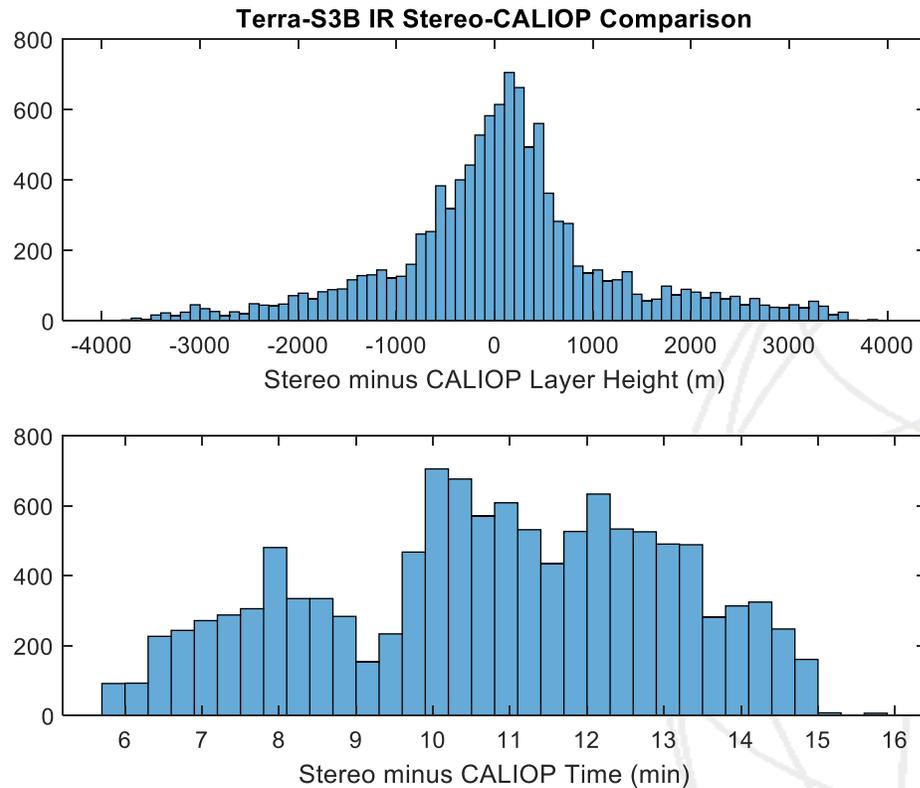
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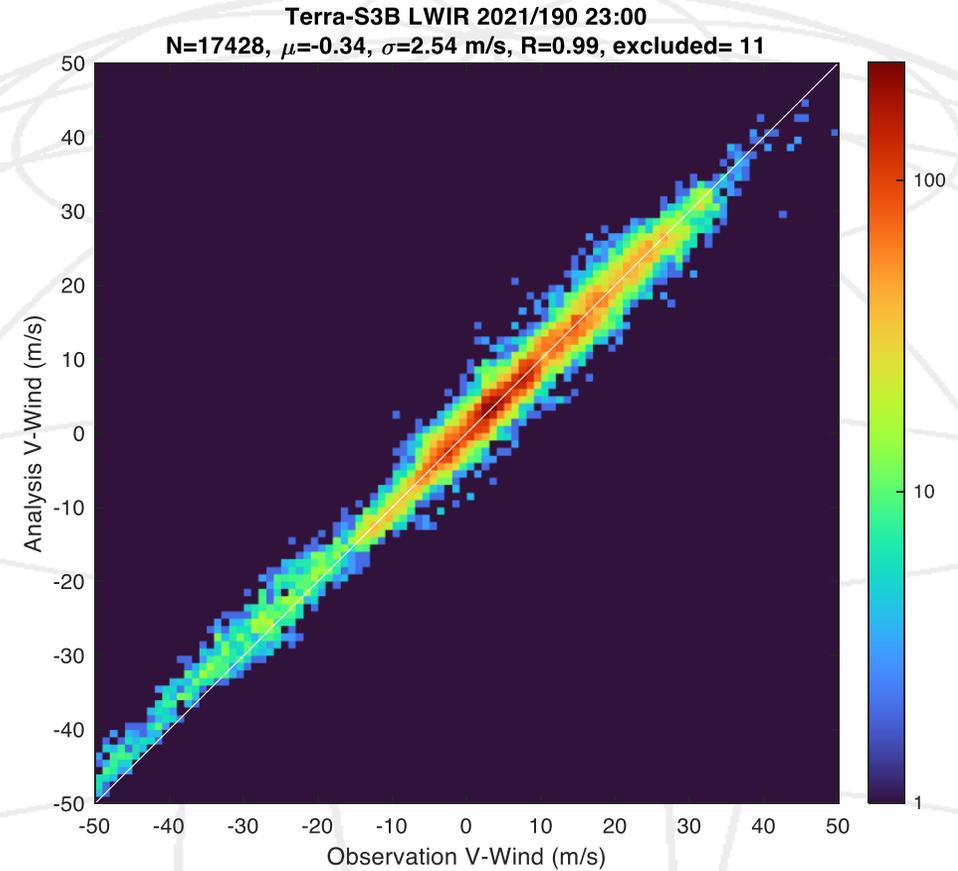
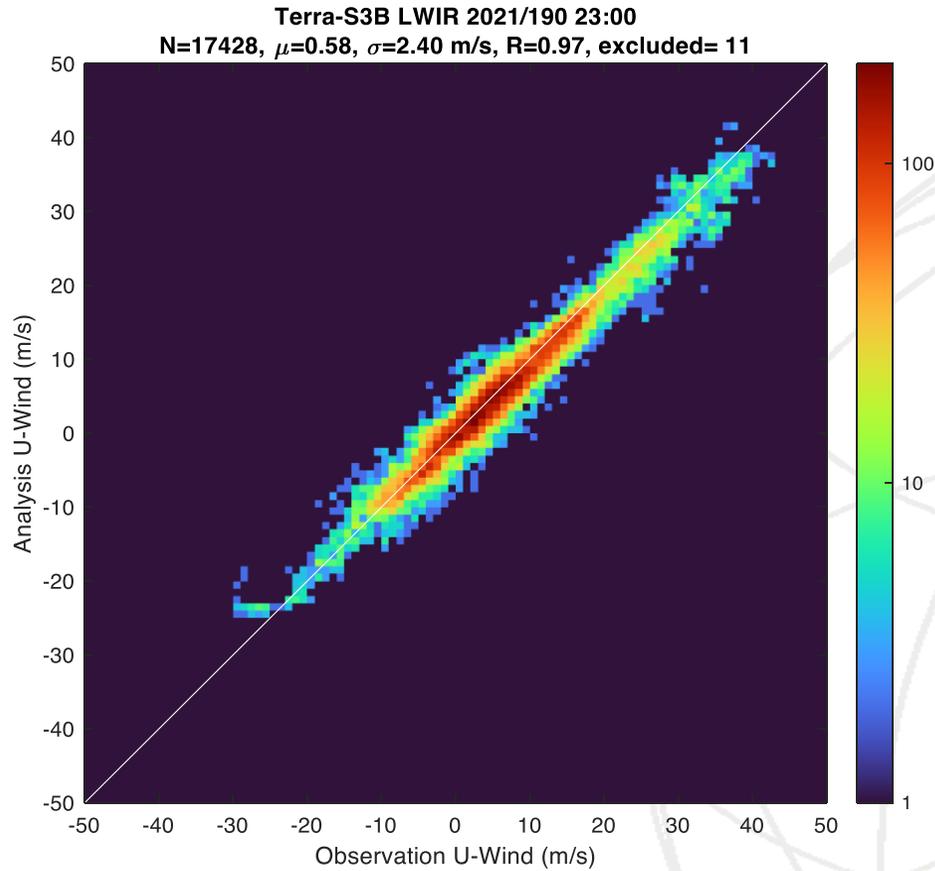




CALIOP & Ground-Point Validations



Polar Wind & ERA5 Collocations





Summary

- The portfolio of Stereo Winds has grown
- Work at NOAA aims for Stereo Winds to be an Operational Product
 - GEO-GEO (GEO = GOES, Himawari)
 - GEO-VIIRS
- The whole globe can now be covered in Stereo
 - GEO-GEO
 - GEO-LEO
 - Polar Multi-LEO
- Future Directions
 - GOES-METEOSAT/FCI
 - Constellation Concepts (e.g., CMIS – Low-Cost Multi-angle IR Imager)

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Related Stereo IWWG Presentations

- Jaime Daniels: “Status of Development of Atmospheric Motion Vectors (AMV) Capabilities at NOAA”
- Michael Kelly: “A New Capability for Monitoring Multi-Level Tropospheric Winds”
- Dong Wu: “Diurnal Variations of 3D-Wind Cloud Height and Winds From Hurricanes and PBL”
- Rebecca Stone: “Evaluation of Dual Geostationary Stereo Winds in NAVGEM”
- Akos Horváth: “Local Horizontal Wind Perturbations Caused By the Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha’apai Eruption of 15 January 2022”
- Ad Stoffelen: “ESA Earth Explorer 10 Harmony”
- Kevin Maschhoff: “Synergies Obtained from Combined Observations of MISTiC Winds, CMIS, and NGRx in a Micro-Satellite Constellation”



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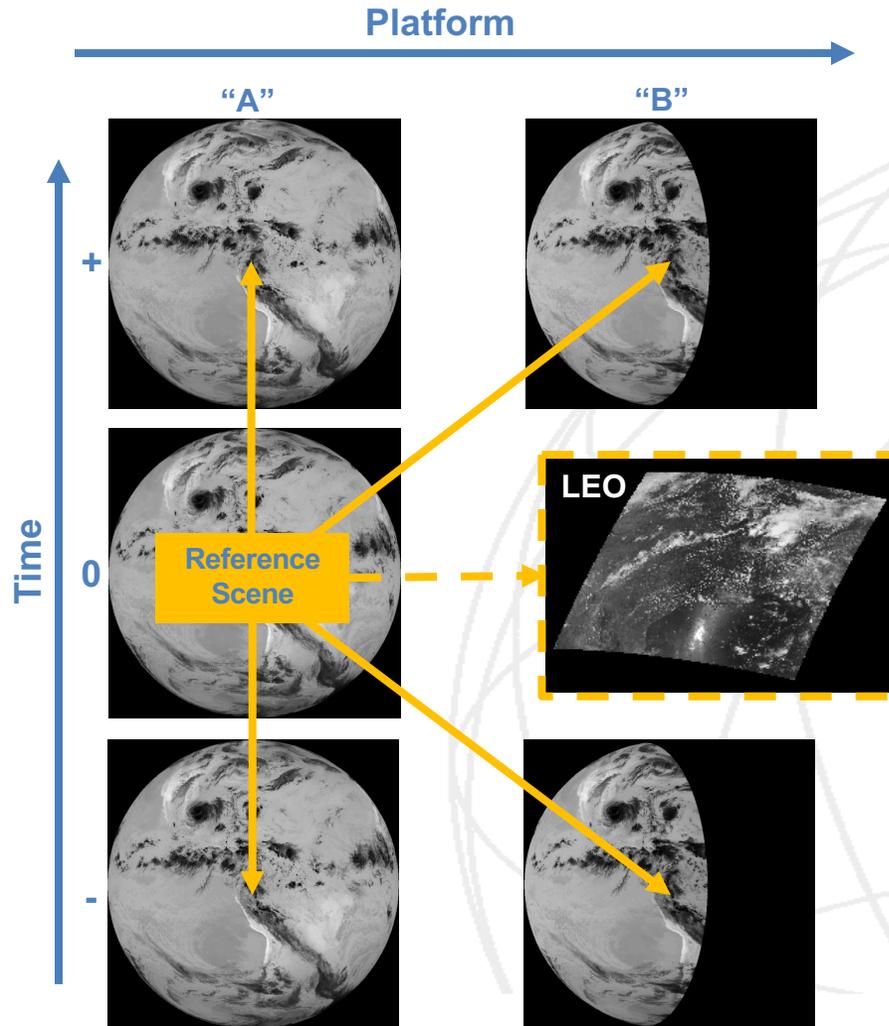
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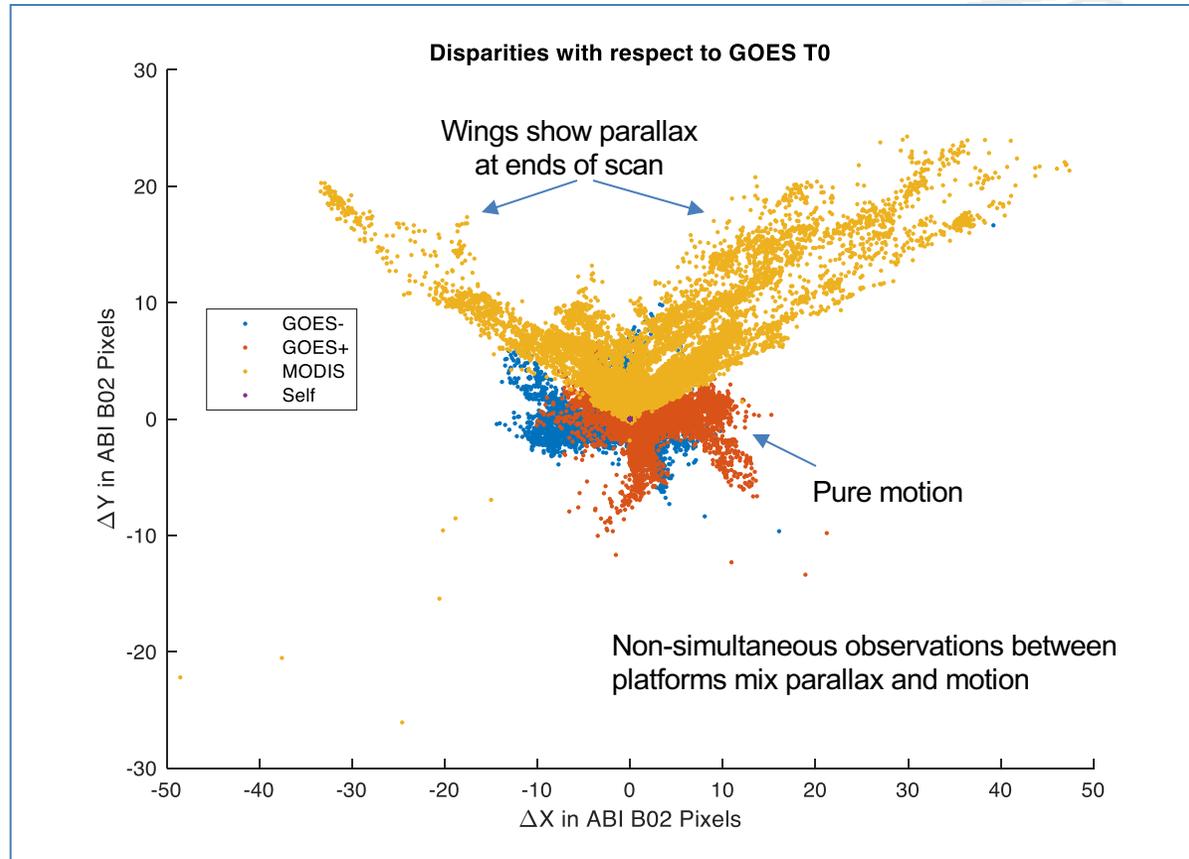
Universal Stereo Method



- Remap "B" satellite into geometry of "A" satellite; common configurations:
 - Triplet GEO + Doublet GEO
 - Triplet GEO + Single MODIS/VIIRS
 - Multi-Angle MISR + Triplet GEO
- Measure disparities of features matched to Reference Scene
 - Same Platform = Motion
 - Cross Platform = Parallax + Motion
- Tag or model match times relative to Reference Scene
- Jointly retrieve motion vector and height for templates or nested tracks
- Quality Filter

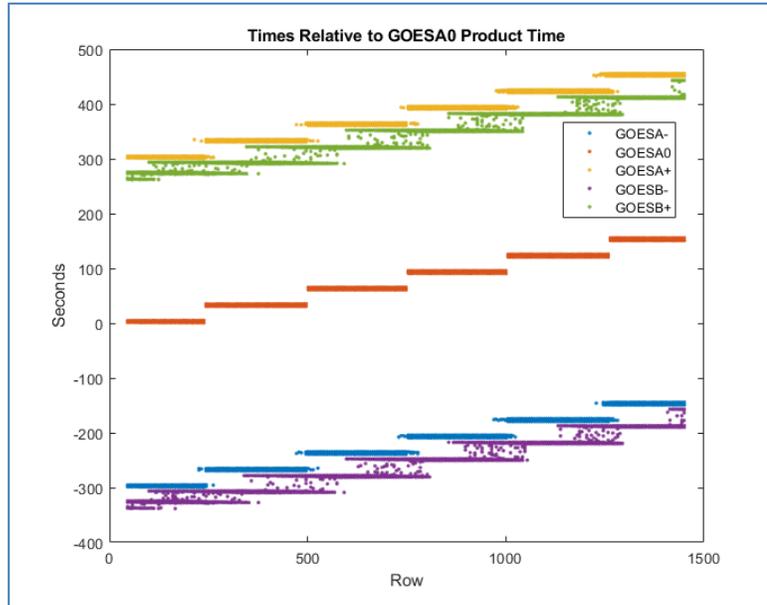
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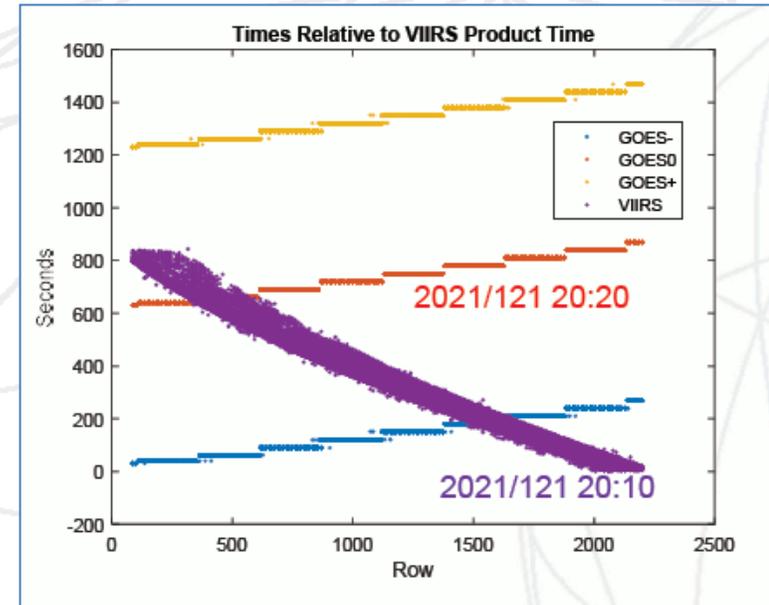


Time Tagging & Modeling

GEO-GEO “Sat A” “Sat B”
GOES-16 (CONUS) / GOES-17 (FD)



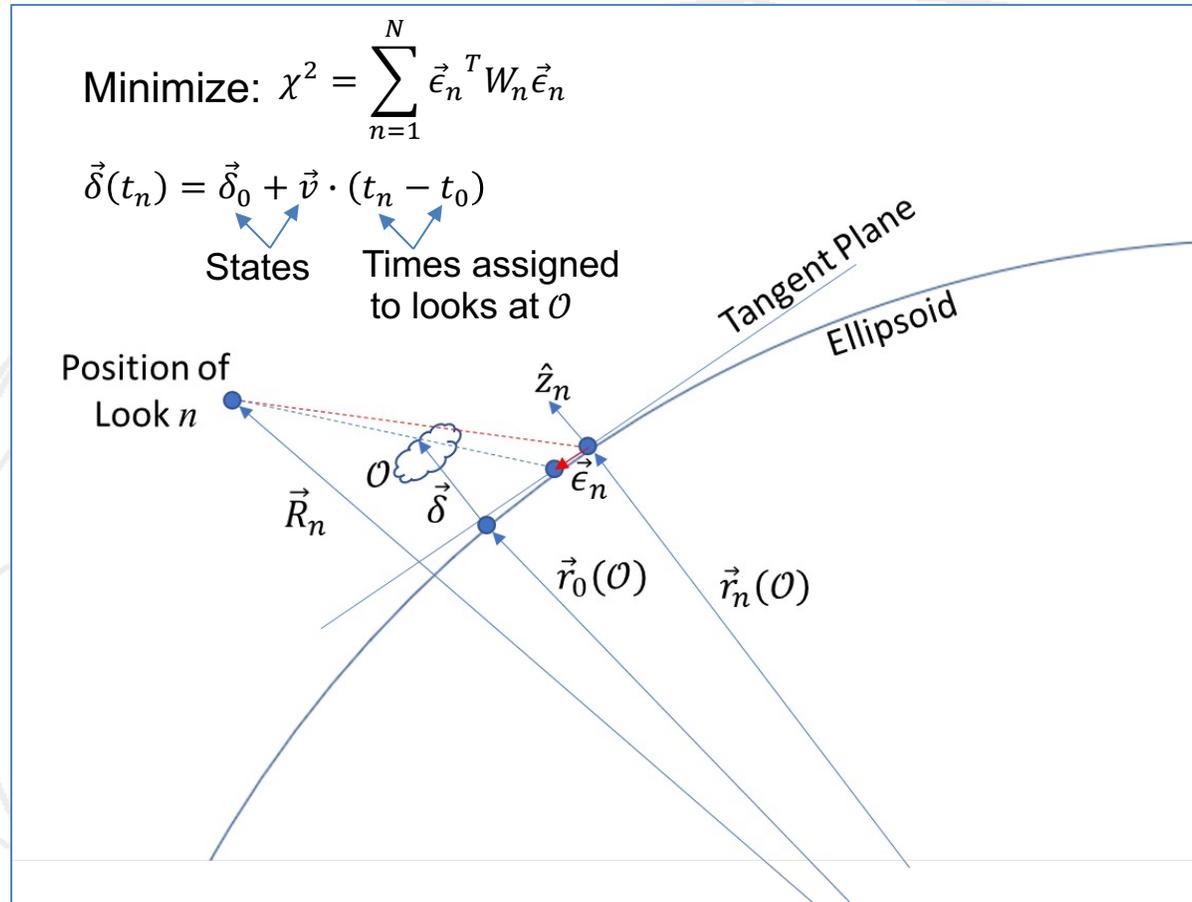
GEO-LEO “Sat A” “Sat B”
GOES-17 (FD) / SNPP (Single VIIRS)



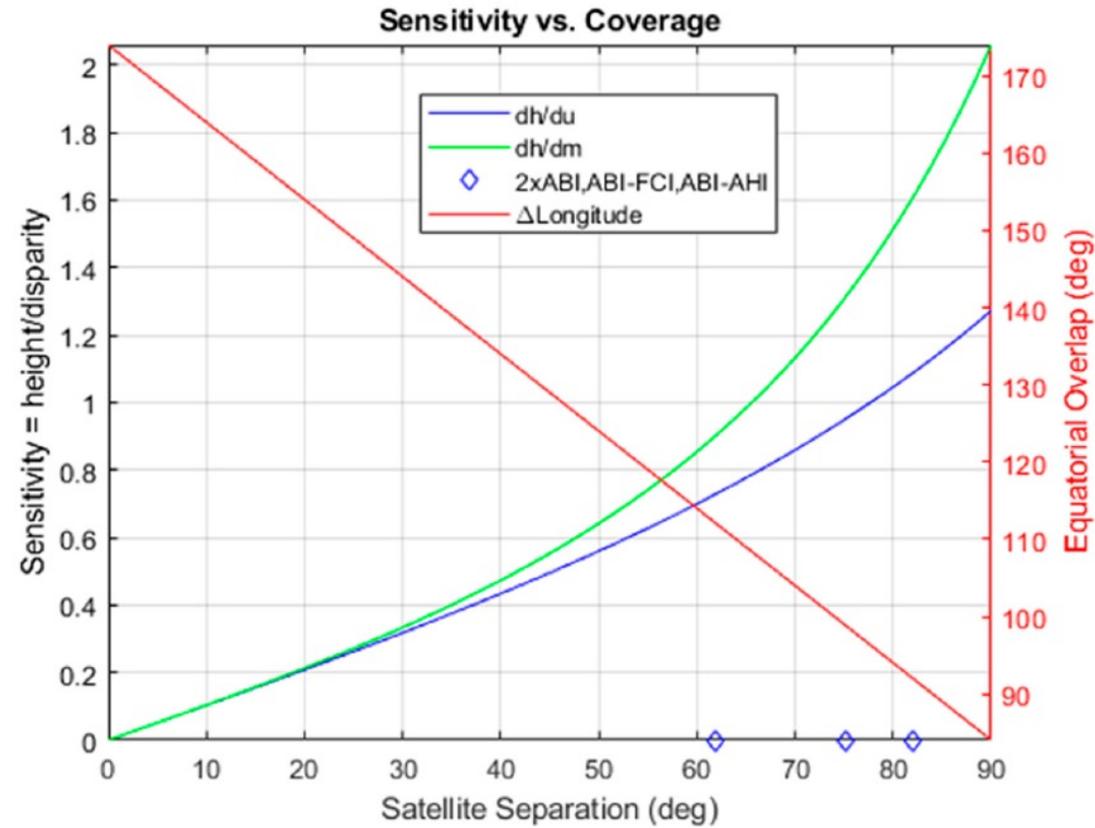
- GOES Times Modeled from Timeline and Swath Pattern
- Other Satellites include Time in their Level-1 Products

Retrieval Model

- Reference Scene ($n = 0$)
- Solve for 5 states at each site; $\vec{\epsilon}_n$ is a function of
 - 3 positions ($\vec{\delta}_0$)
 - U & V winds
- Minimization of χ^2 with N looks determines 5 states if $2(N - 1) > 5$
- Covariance matrix indicates uncertainties in retrieved states
- Retrieval residuals indicate if disparities conform with model & therefore the quality of retrieved states (typical residuals < 1 pixel)

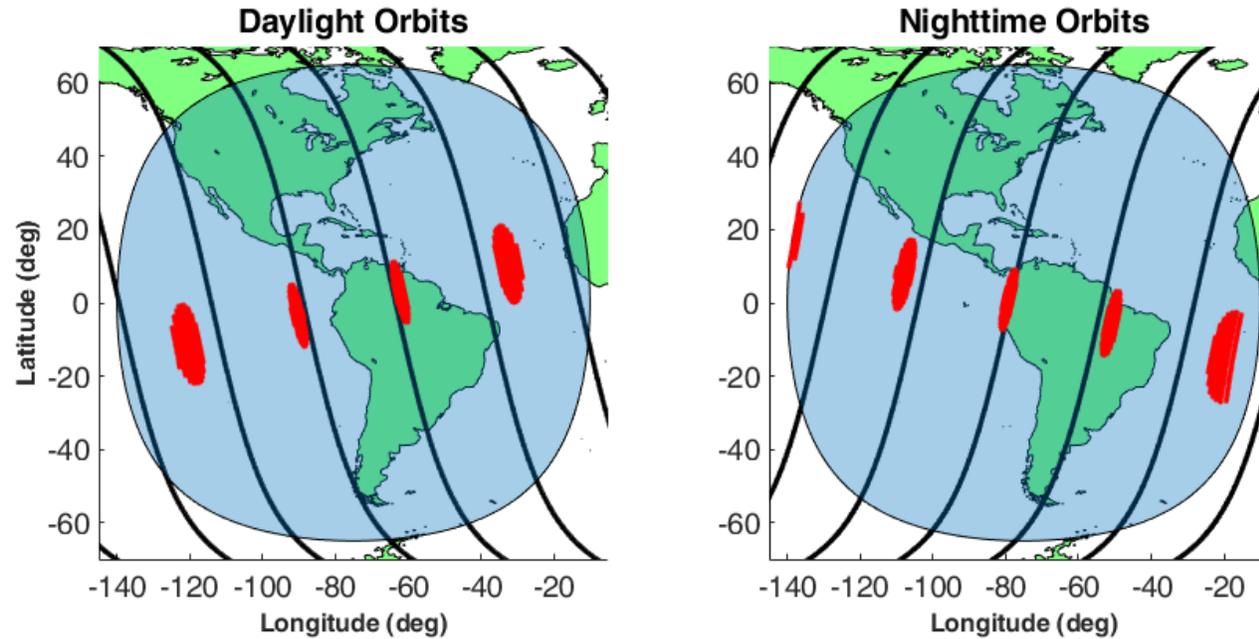


Stereo Coverage-Sensitivity by Longitude

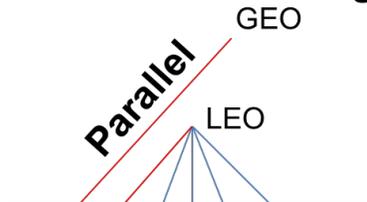


GEO-LEO Stereo Blind Spots

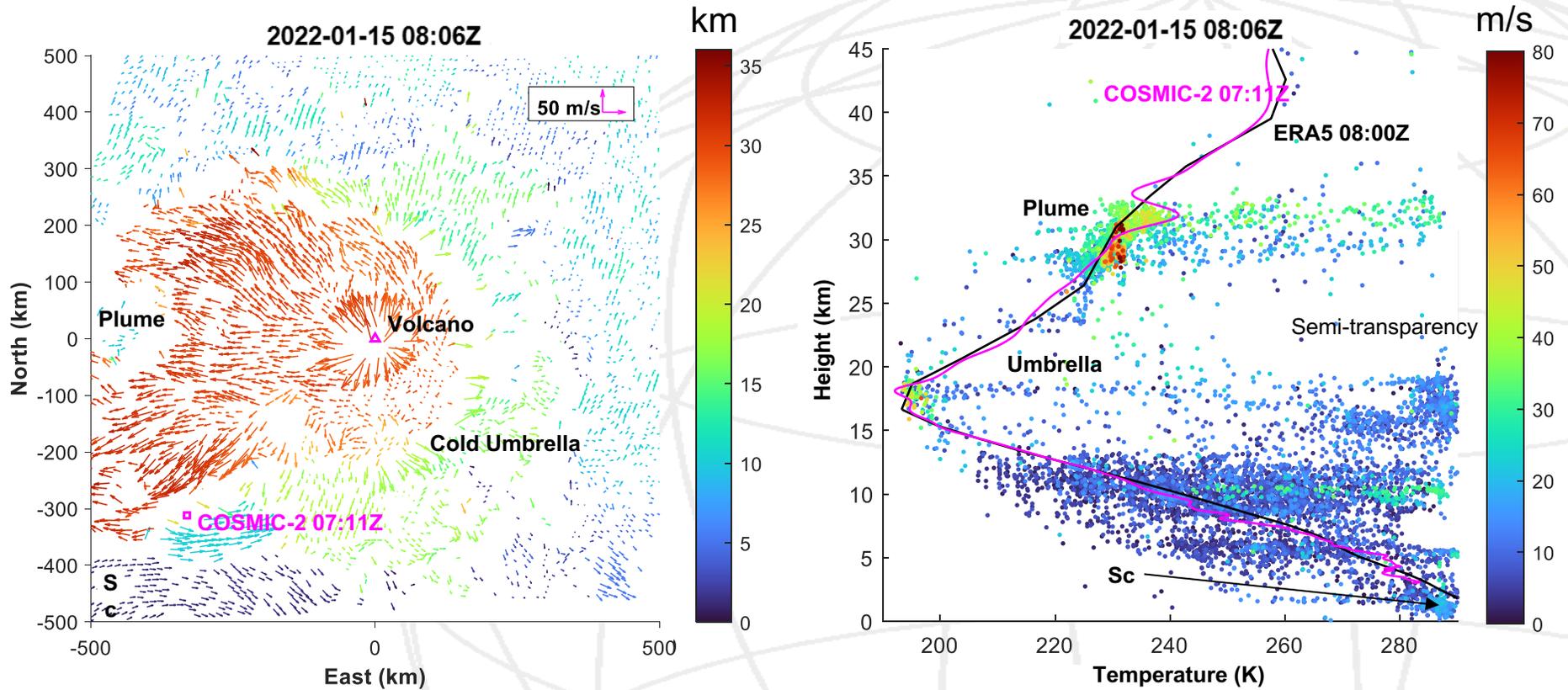
GOES-JPSS Stereo Blind Spots



**Singular Geometry:
Cannot retrieve height**

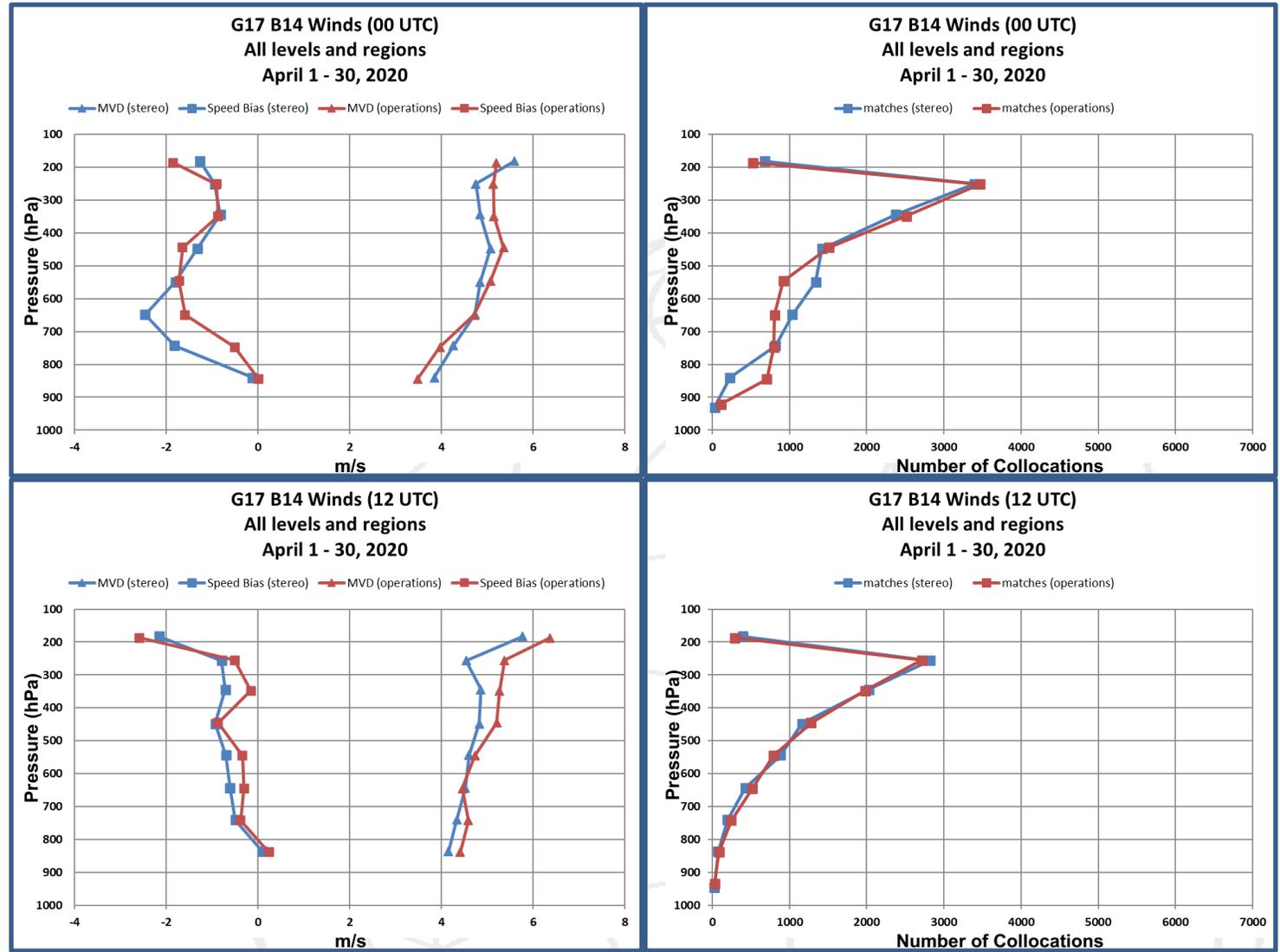


G17-Himawari :Hunga Tonga





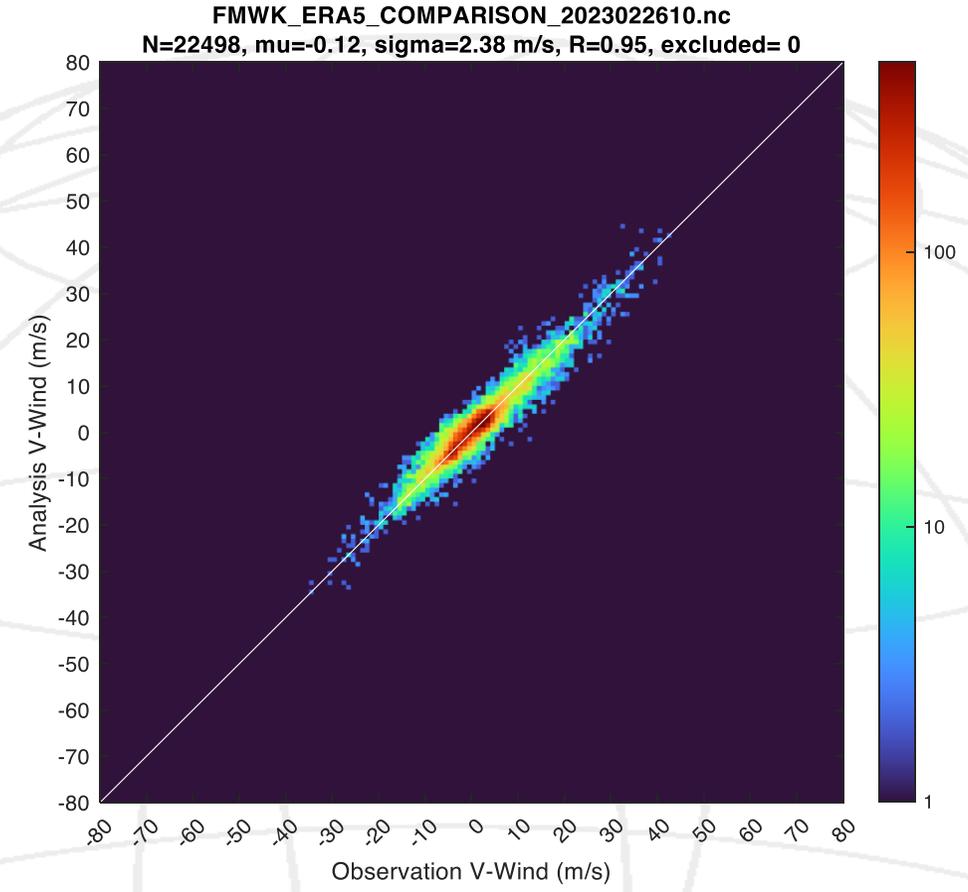
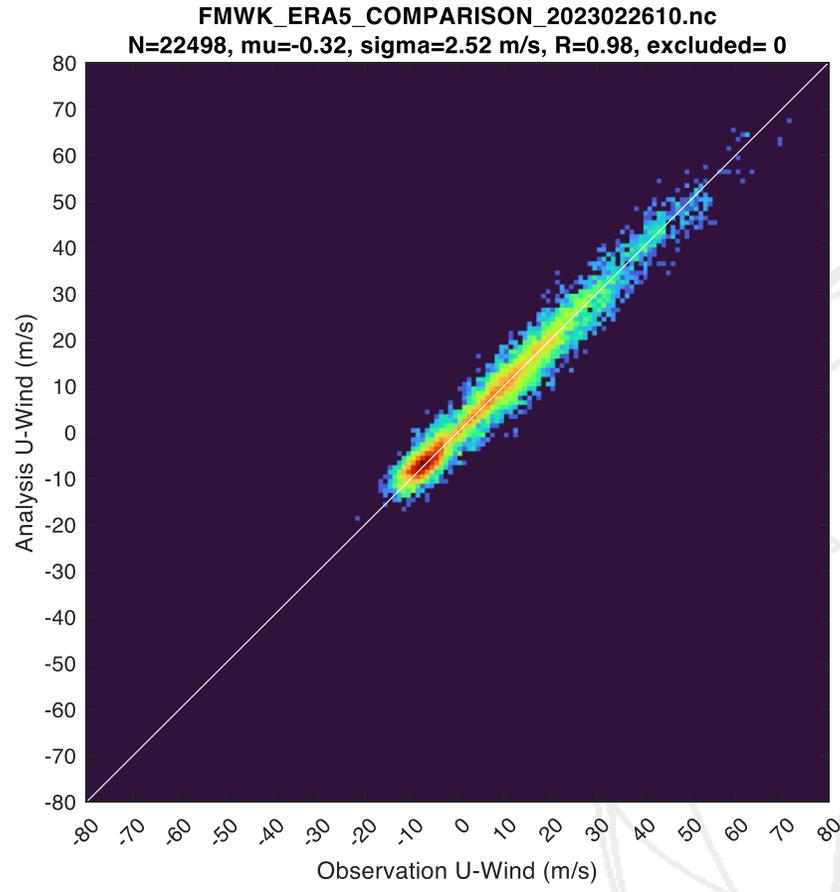
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