

A satellite with large solar panels is shown in orbit above the Earth. The satellite is a rectangular box with various instruments and a large antenna. The Earth's surface is visible below, showing clouds and landmasses. The background is a dark space filled with stars.

# Current status of operational wind products in JMA/MSC

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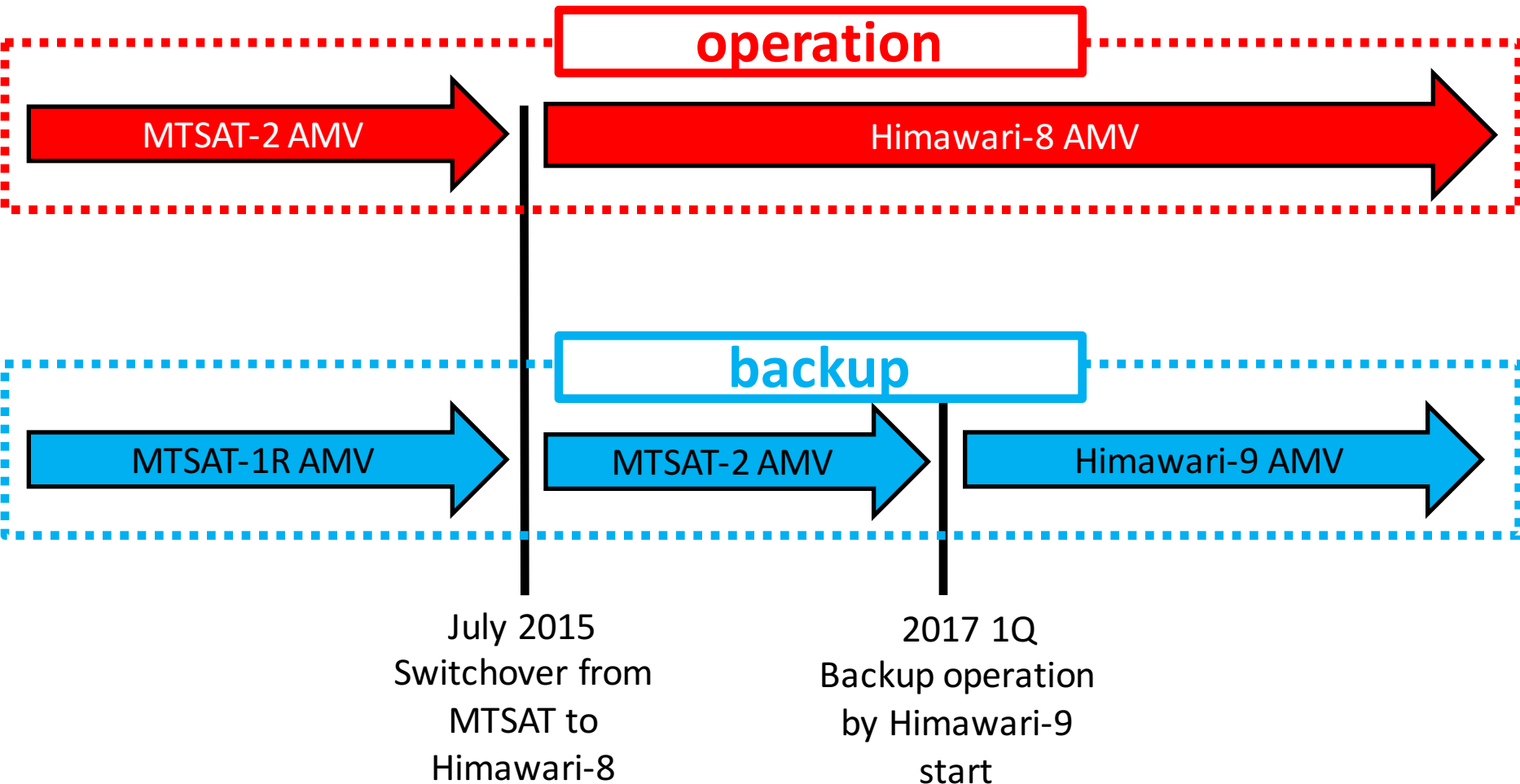
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# Replacement from MTSAT-1R and 2 to Himawari-8 and -9

- JMA will launch Himawari-9 in FY 2016
- Backup operation by Himawari-9 will start around 2017 Q1
- Derivation system for H-9 AMV is the same as H-8 AMV except SRF difference
- Disseminated BUFR will be the same as Himawari-8 except satellite ID etc.



# Specification of current operational Himawari-8 AMV

## • Himawari-8 AMV for global NWP model

- Hourly disseminated in BUFR via Global Telecommunication System (GTS)
- 10.4 (IR), 6.2, 6.9, 7.3 (WV) and 0.6 (VIS) winds are available
- Spatial resolution : 17 pixel grid (34 km resolution at nadir)
- Target box size : 7x7 and 31x31
- Time interval of input imagery : 10 minutes (from full disk observation mode)

- I. spatial resolution may be upgraded to 9 pixel (27km at nadir)
- II. Dissemination frequency may be every 30 minutes after line speed problem is resolved (hopefully at 2018 or 2019)

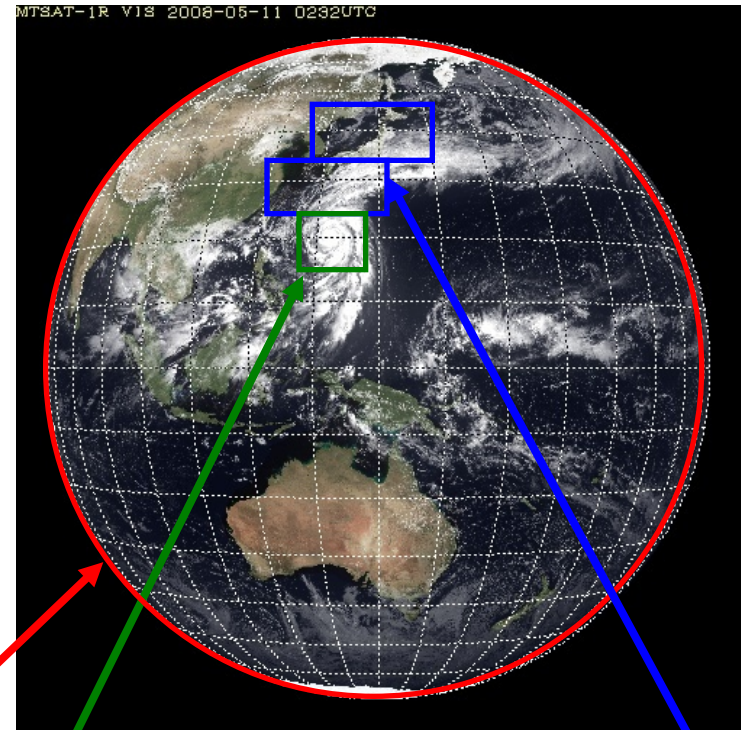
## • Himawari-8 AMV for meso-scale NWP model

- **Currently not disseminated to overseas**
- **3.7**, 10.4 (IR), 6.2, 6.9, 7.3 (WV) , 0.6 (VIS) winds are available
- **Spatial resolution : 10 pixel grid (20 km resolution at nadir)**
- Target box size : 7x7 and 31x31
- Time interval of input imagery : 10 minutes (from full disk observation mode)
- Japan area only

# Himawari-8/9: Specification of Observation

## Channels of the Advanced Himawari Imager (AHI) to be carried by Himawari-8/9

Channel	Central Wavelength [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	Spatial Resolution	
1	0.43 – 0.48	1 km	RGB Composited True Color Image
2	0.50 – 0.52	1 km	
3	0.63 – 0.66	0.5 km	
4	0.85 – 0.87	1 km	Water Vapor
5	1.60 – 1.62	2 km	
6	2.25 – 2.27	2 km	
7	3.74 – 3.96	2 km	
8	6.06 – 6.43	2 km	
9	6.89 – 7.01	2 km	SO <sub>2</sub>
10	7.26 – 7.43	2 km	
11	8.44 – 8.76	2 km	O <sub>3</sub>
12	9.54 – 9.72	2 km	
13	10.3 – 10.6	2 km	Atmospheric Windows
14	11.1 – 11.3	2 km	
15	12.2 – 12.5	2 km	
16	13.2 – 13.4	2 km	CO <sub>2</sub>

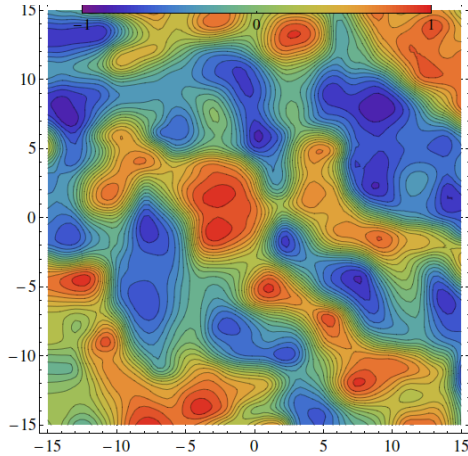


**Full disk**  
Interval: **10 minutes** (6 times per hour)

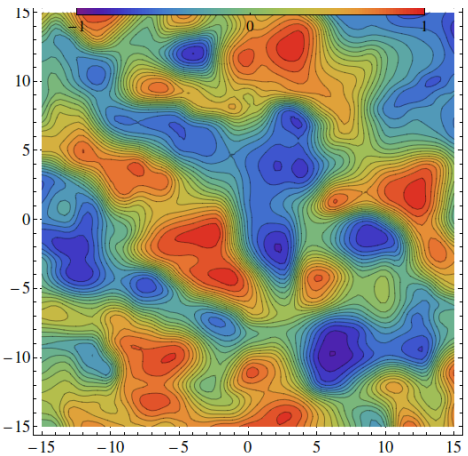
**Region: Japan**  
Interval: **2.5 minutes** (4 times in 10 minutes)  
Dimension: EW x NS: 2000 x 1000 km x 2

**Region: Typhoon**  
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# Maximum Likelihood Estimation Approach for small Scale AMV



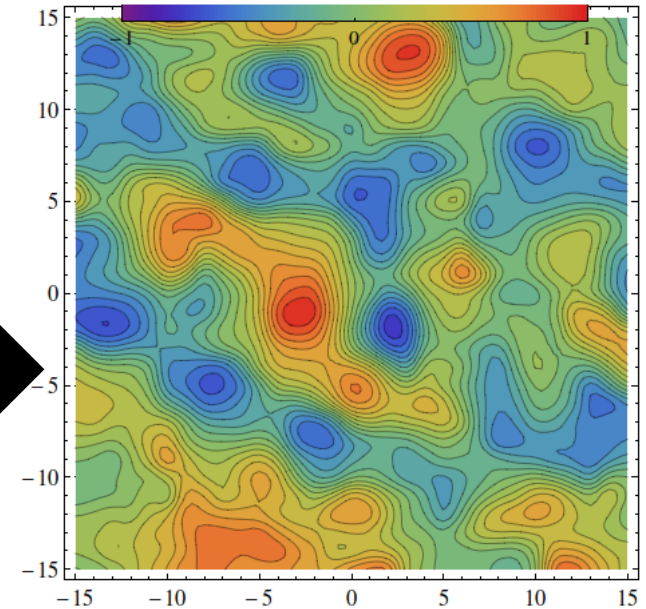
auxiliary information  
Correlation surface from backward motion



prior information  
Correlation surface from forward motion

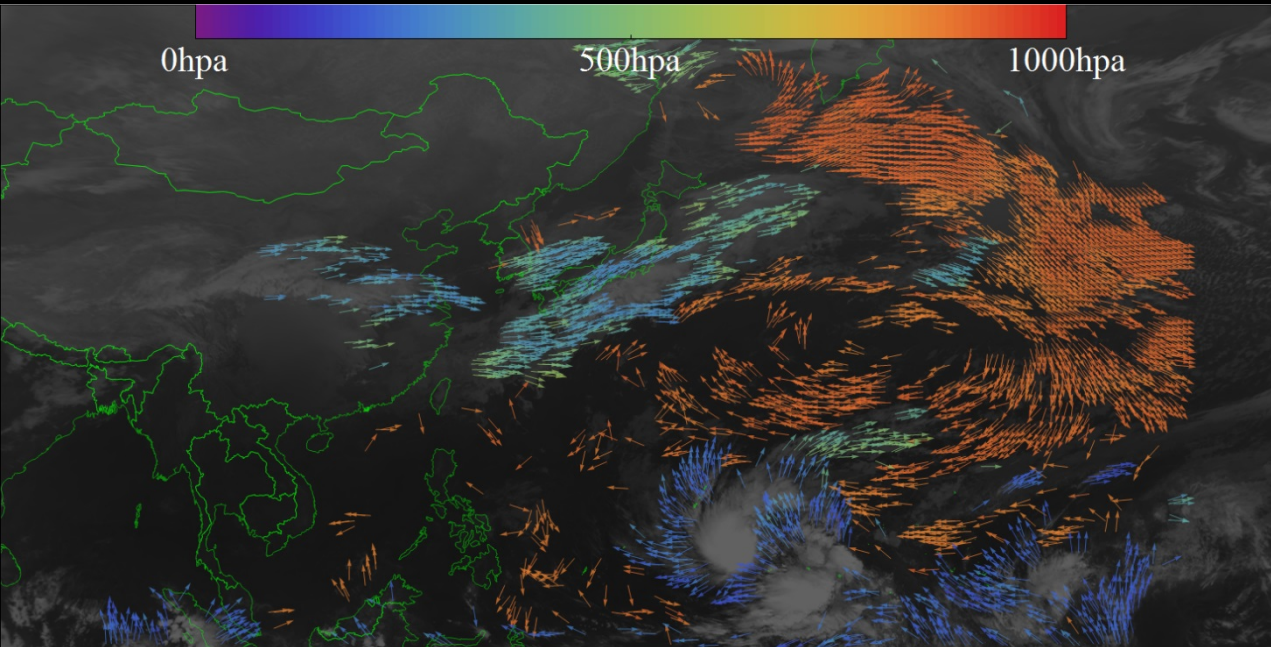
probabilistic inference  
to regard correlation  
surface as log likelihood  
function

1. To equate cross-correlation with **log likelihood function**
2. To compute average of two **log likelihood function surface** from forward and backward matching
3. To search vector which maximize the **averaged log likelihood function**

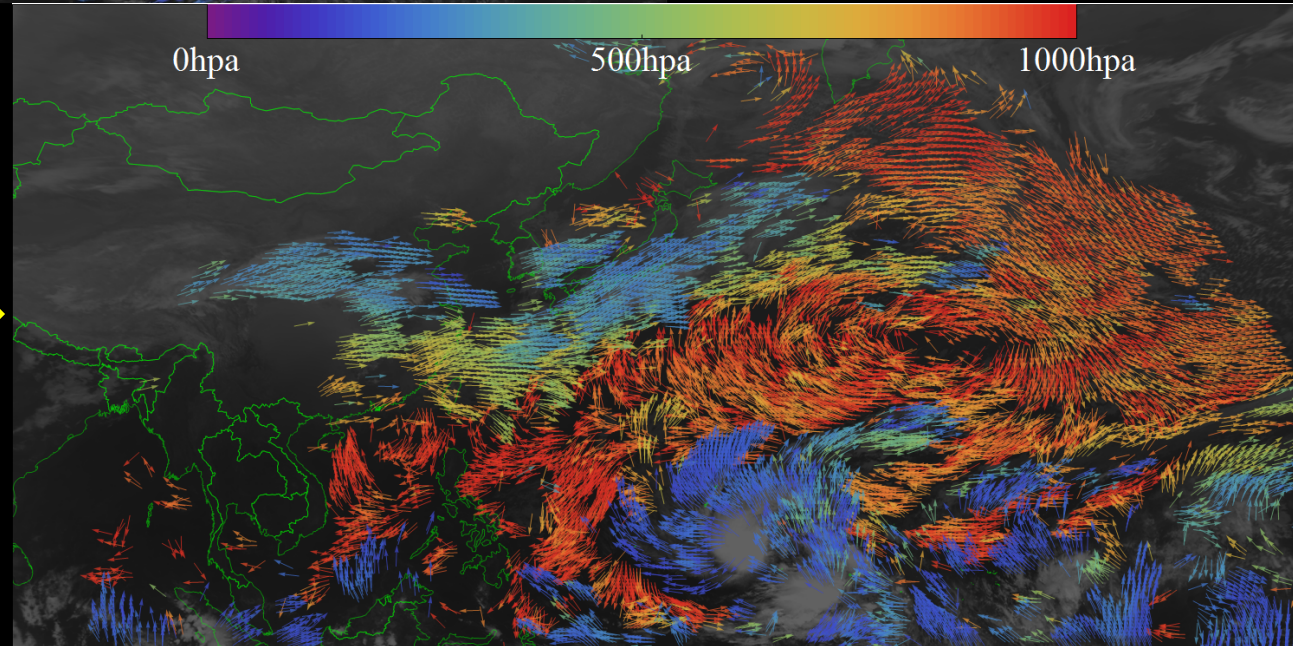


posterior information  
averaged correlation surfaces

# Changes of AMV derivation software for Himawari-8



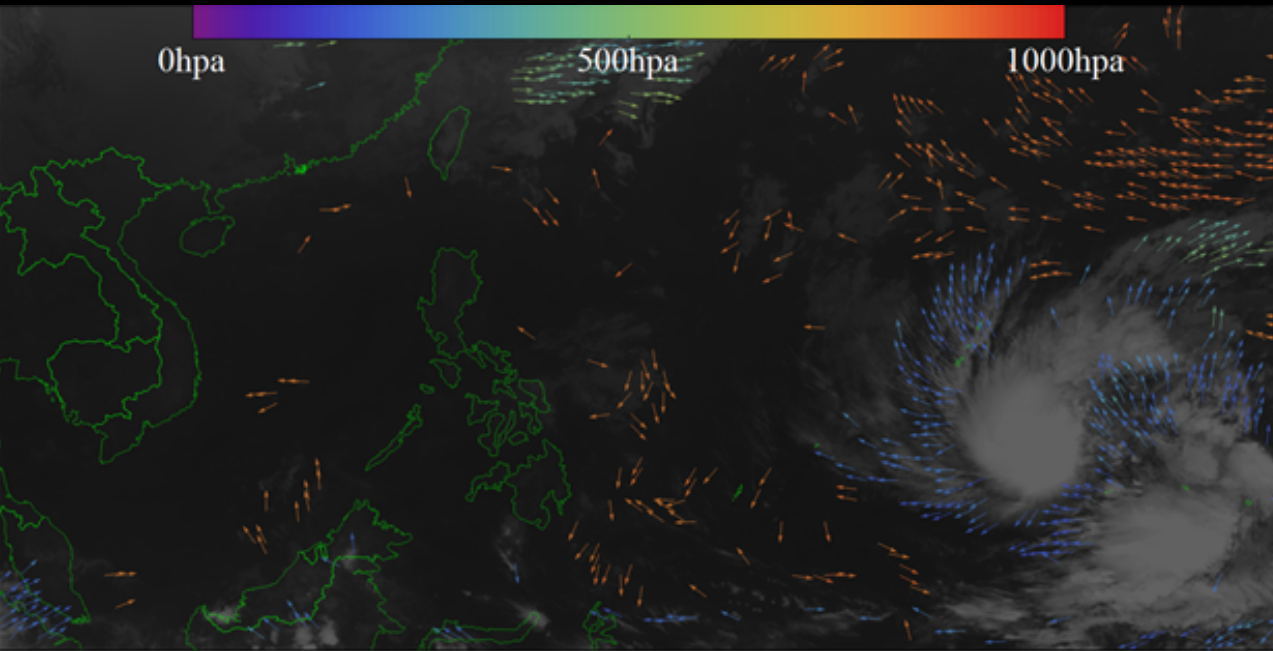
MTSAT IR AMV computed  
by **MTSAT AMV software**  
( $QI > 80$ ) for 00UTC 02  
March 2014



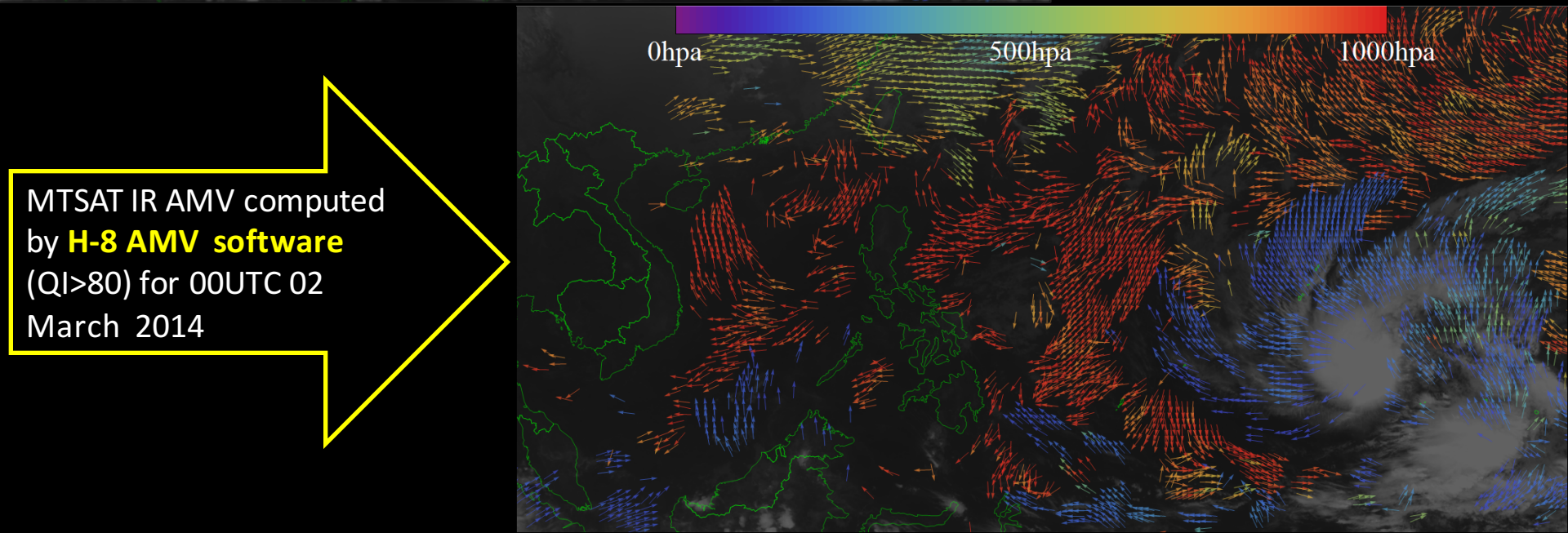
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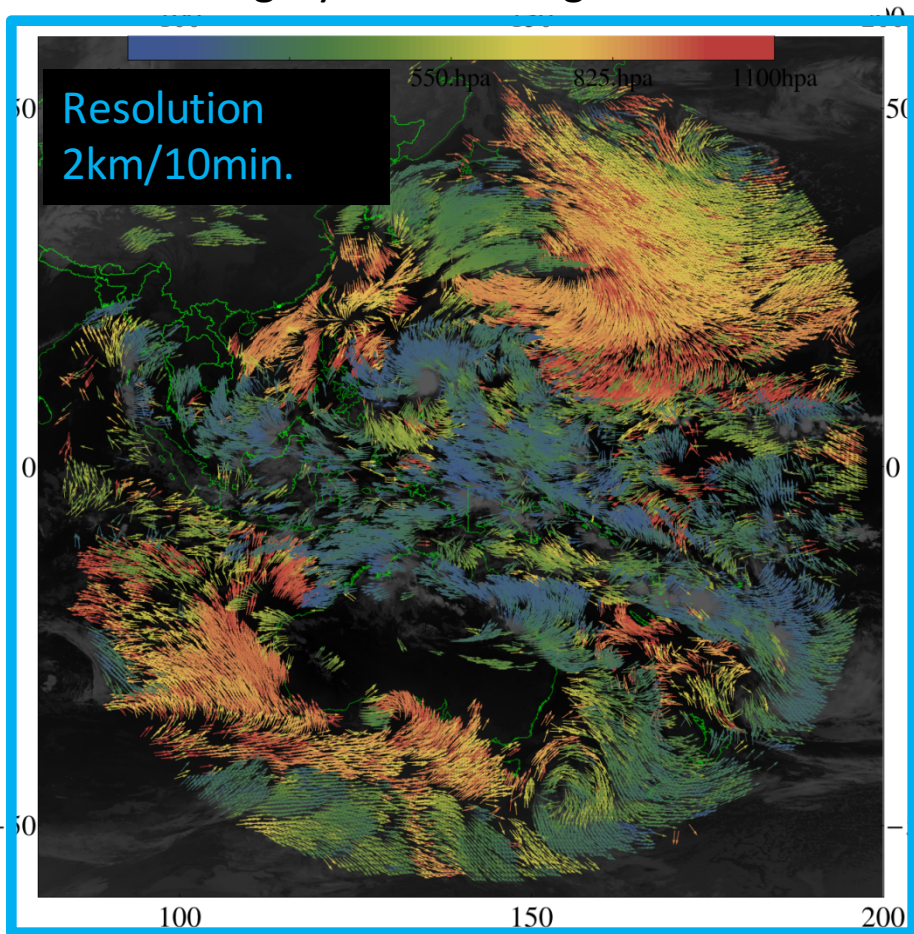


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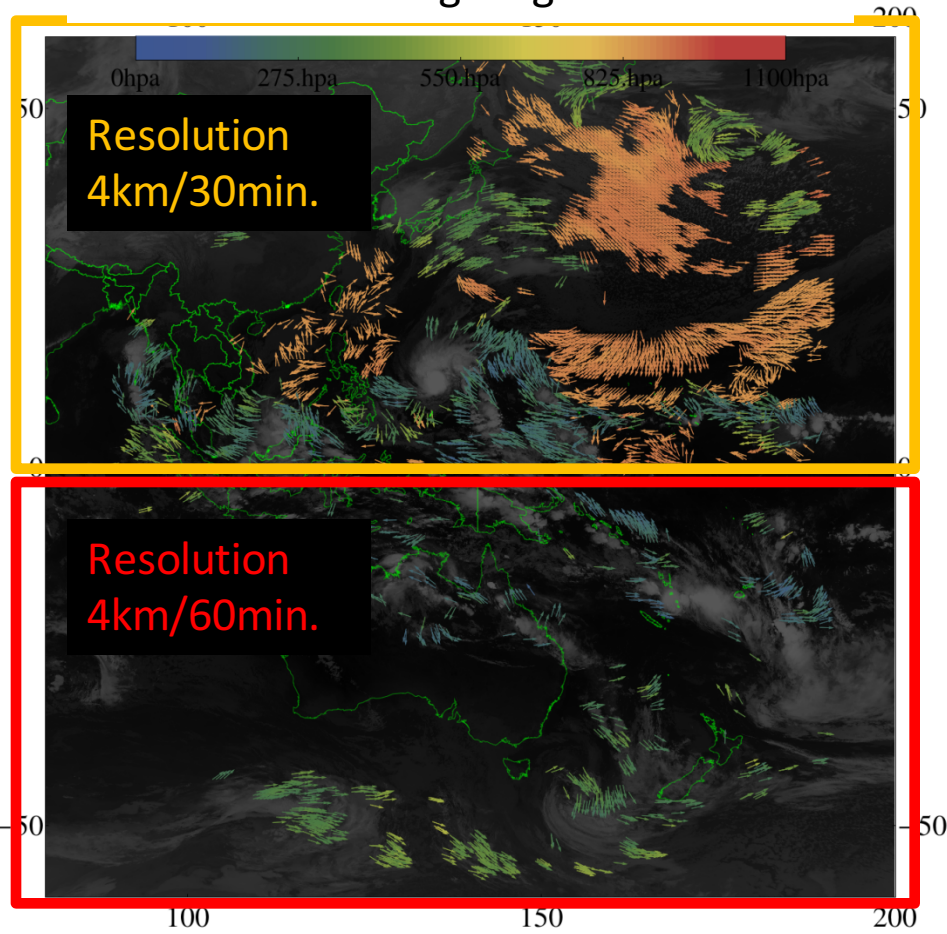
# Synergy between new tracking algorithm and improvement to spatial/temporal resolution of AHI

Himawari-8 B13 and MTSAT-2 IR AMV (QI>60, 2015 01 14 1700UTC)

Himawari-8 AMV using Himawari-8 imagery and new algorithm



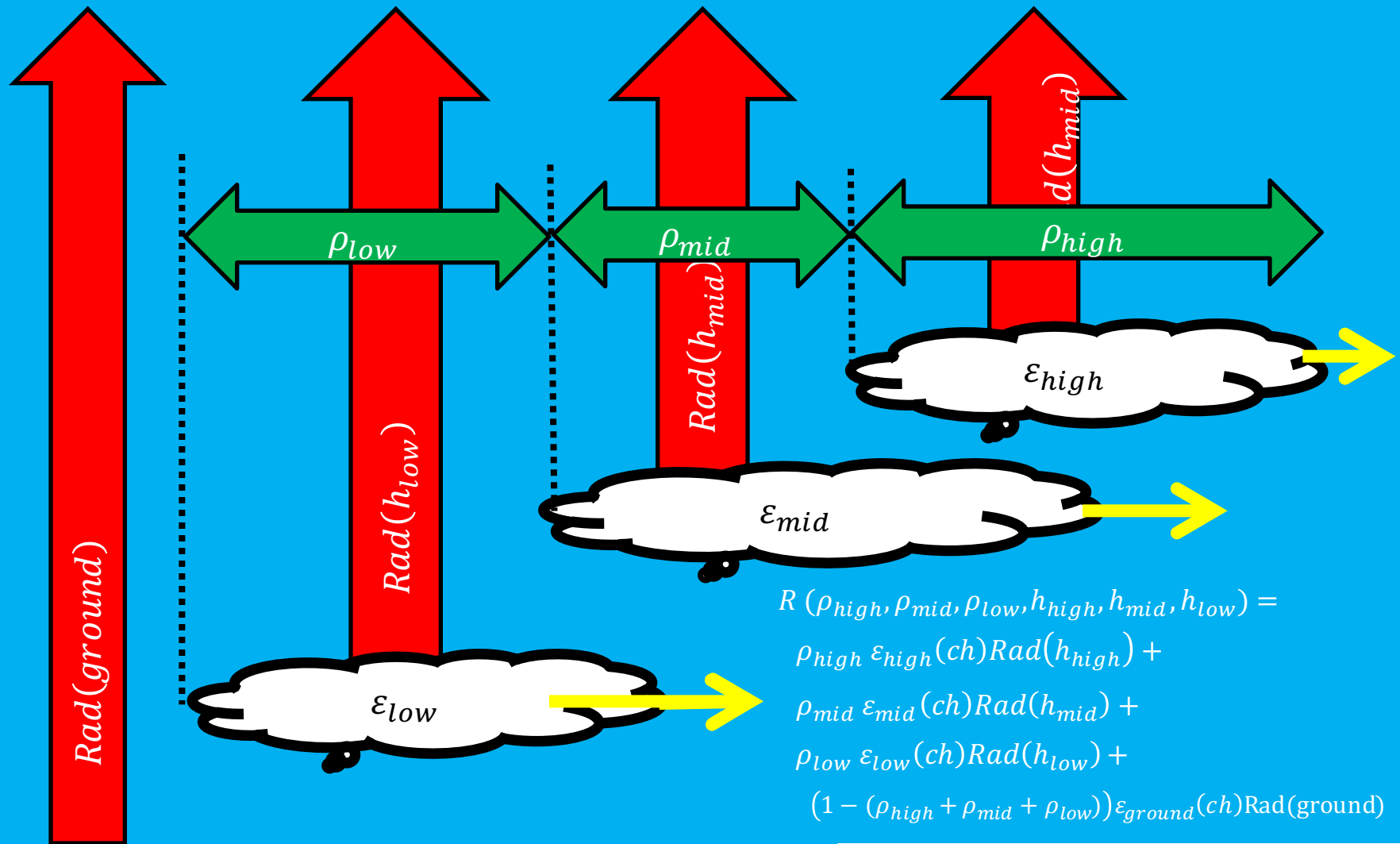
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Colder color : upper level wind

warmer color : low level wind

# Optimal estimation method using radiance rationing model



$\epsilon_{ground}$

$$\prod_{ch}^N e^{-\frac{(R_{obs} - R(\rho_{high}, \rho_{mid}, \rho_{low}, h_{high}, h_{mid}, h_{low}))^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

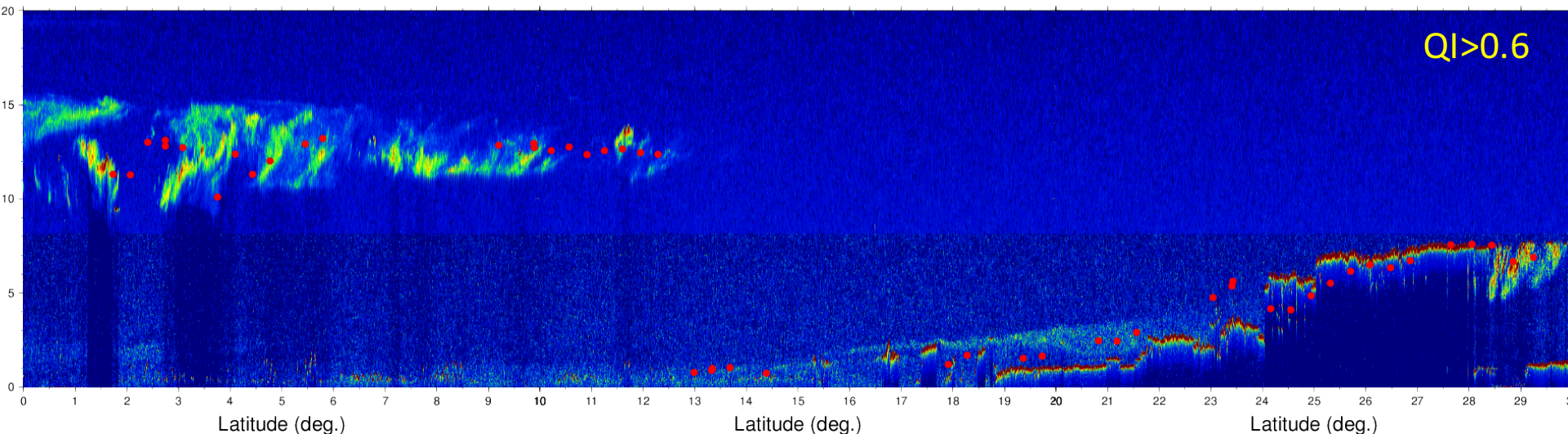
$$\prod_{ch}^{N_{ch}} \left( 1 - \prod_{layer}^{N_{layer}} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{(\overline{v}_{obs} - \overline{v}_{nwp}(h_{layer}))^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) \right)$$

# MTSAT IR AMVs by H8 software (vs CALIPSO at 2014-02-18 18UTC)

Calipso 523 nm total backscatter

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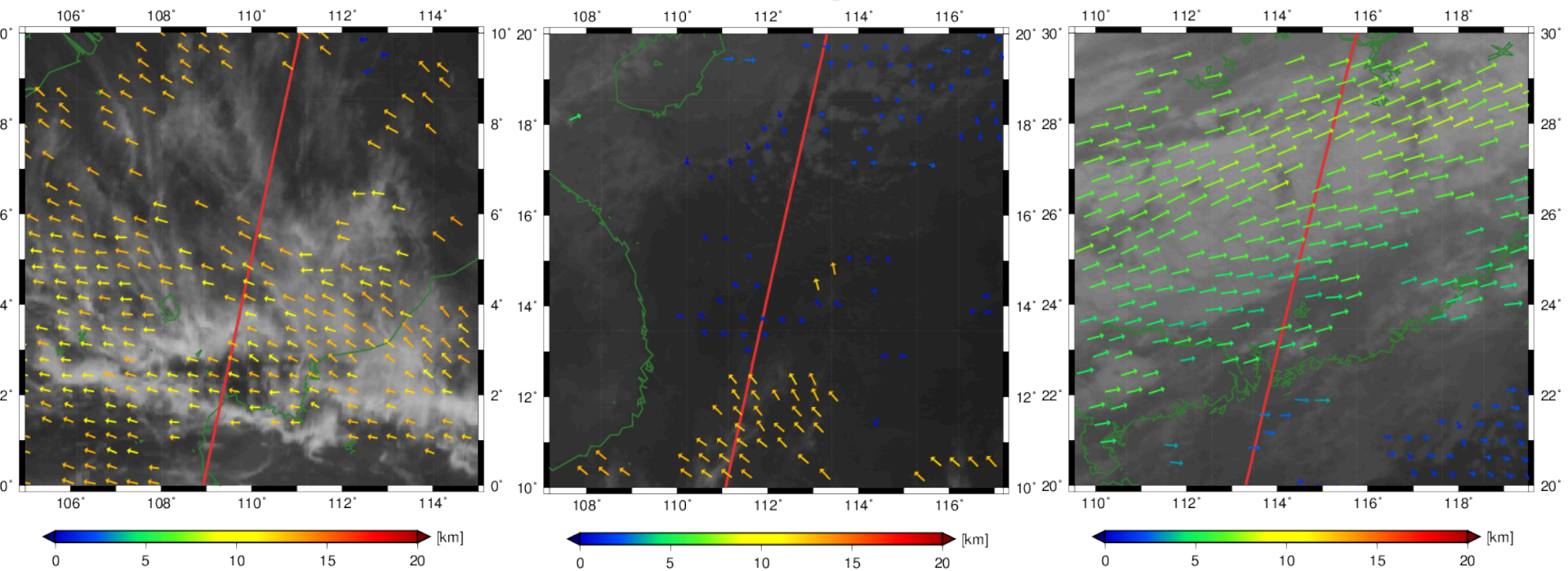
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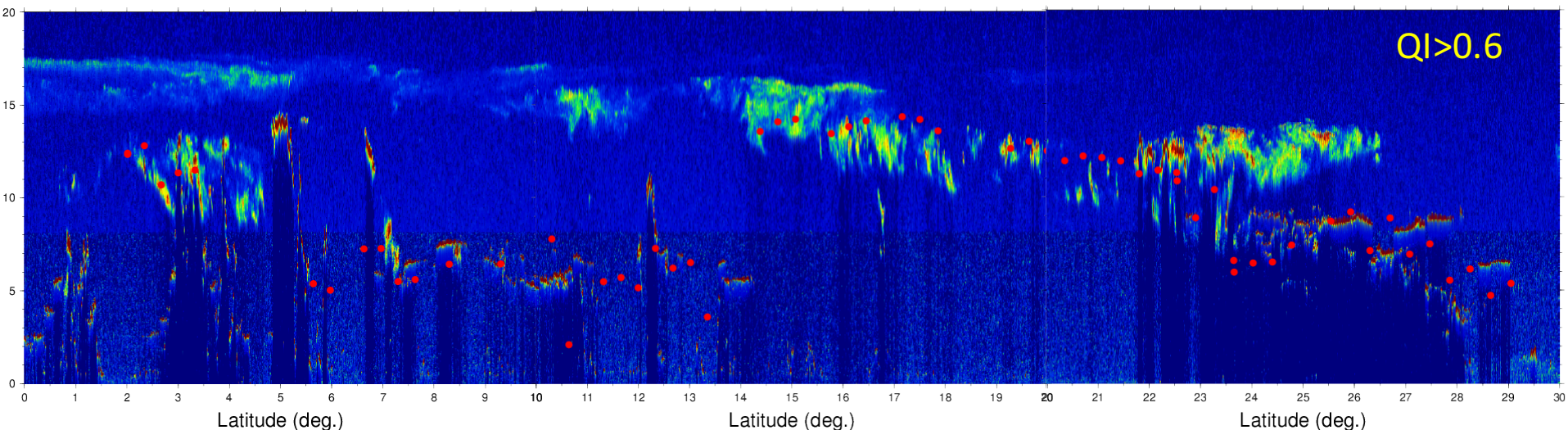


# MTSAT IR AMVs by H8 software (vs CALIPSO 2014-06-13 18UTC)

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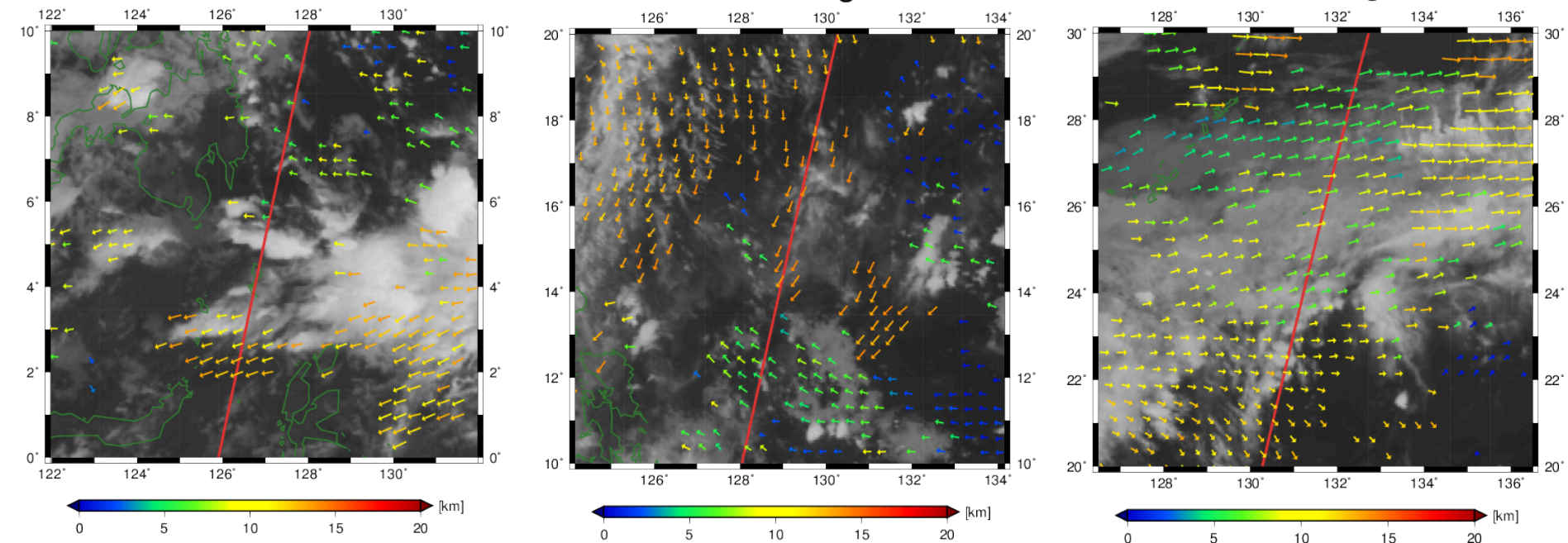
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- 6 bands are simultaneously used for HA
- averaged radiance in target box is used

WV bands : including upper level information

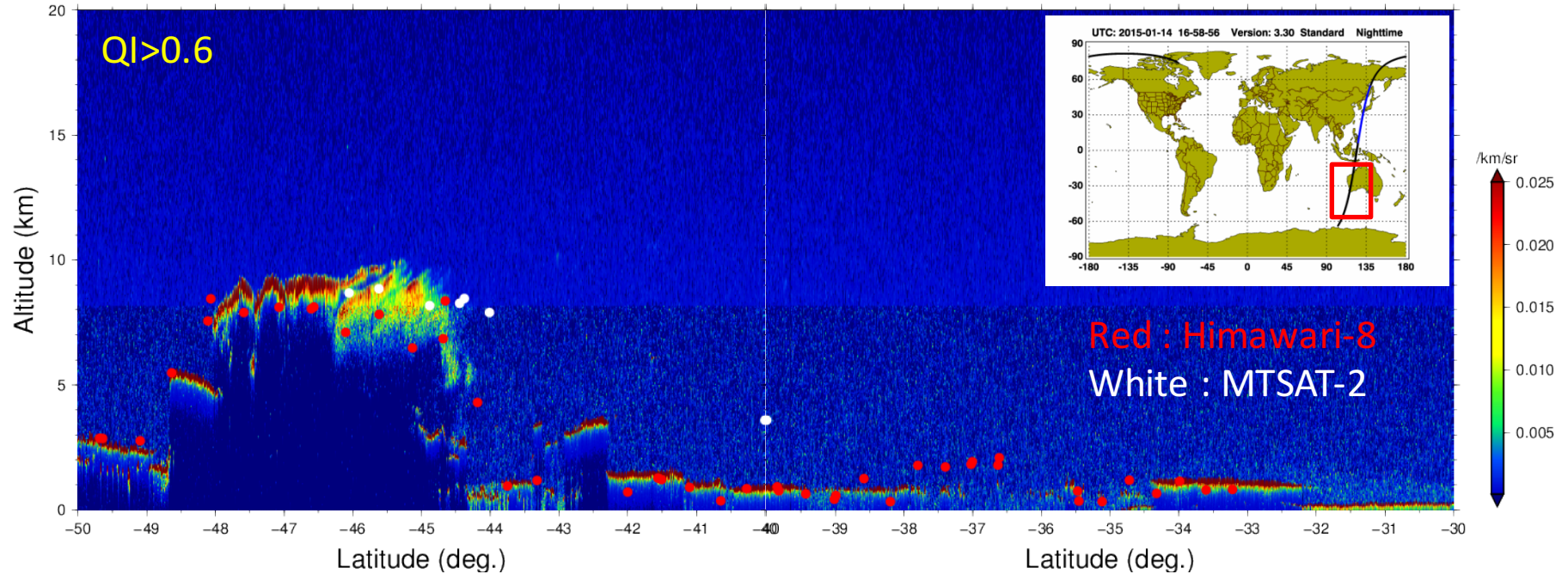
window bands : all level information

CO2 band : upper and middle level information

# Collocation study (B13/IR1 wind with CALIPSO) (2015 01 14 1700UTC)

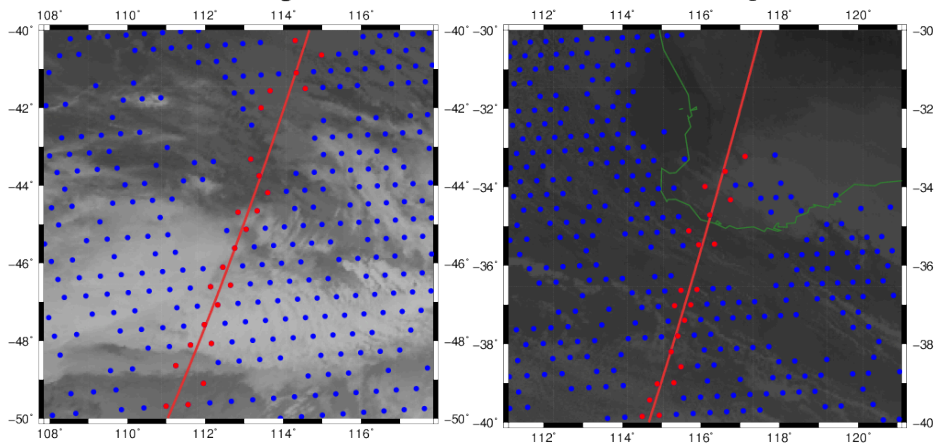
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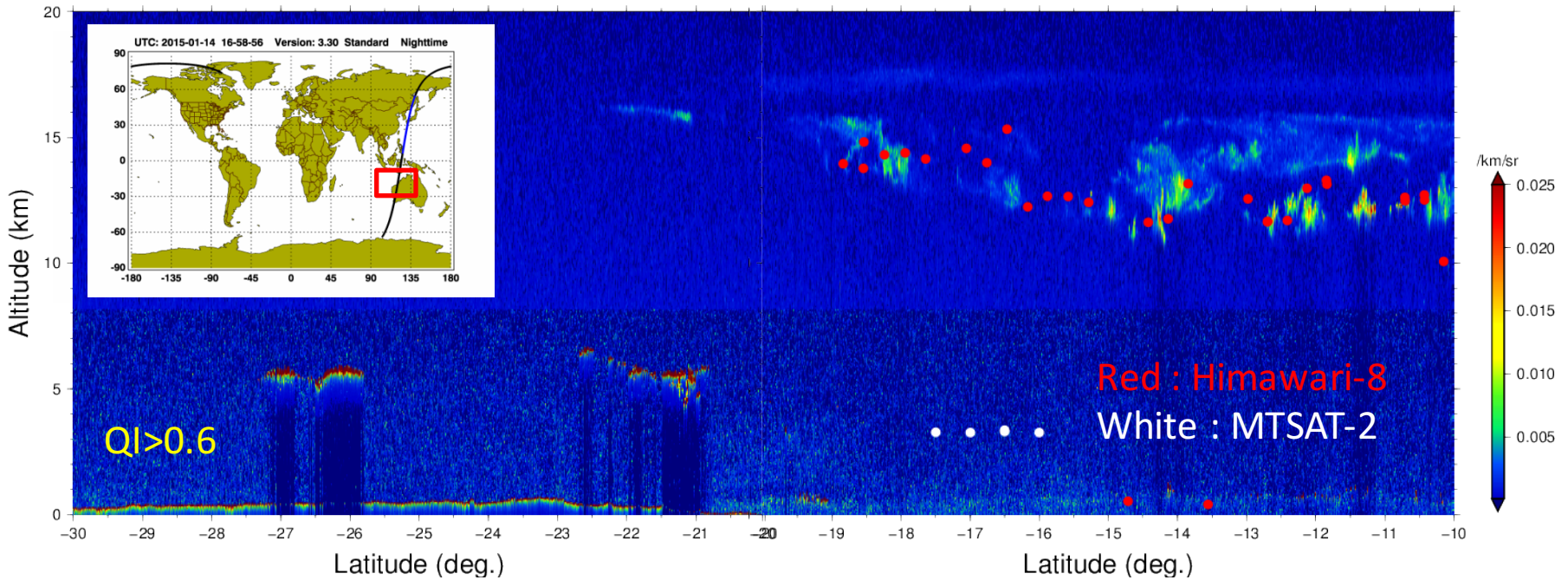


- Dense cloud height on middle and high level correspond to CALIPSO well
- Height error of low level cloud is larger than that of high and middle cloud

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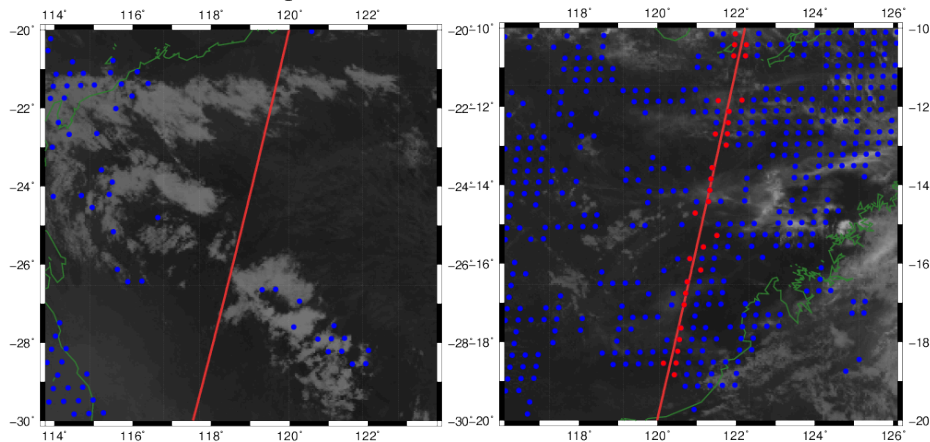
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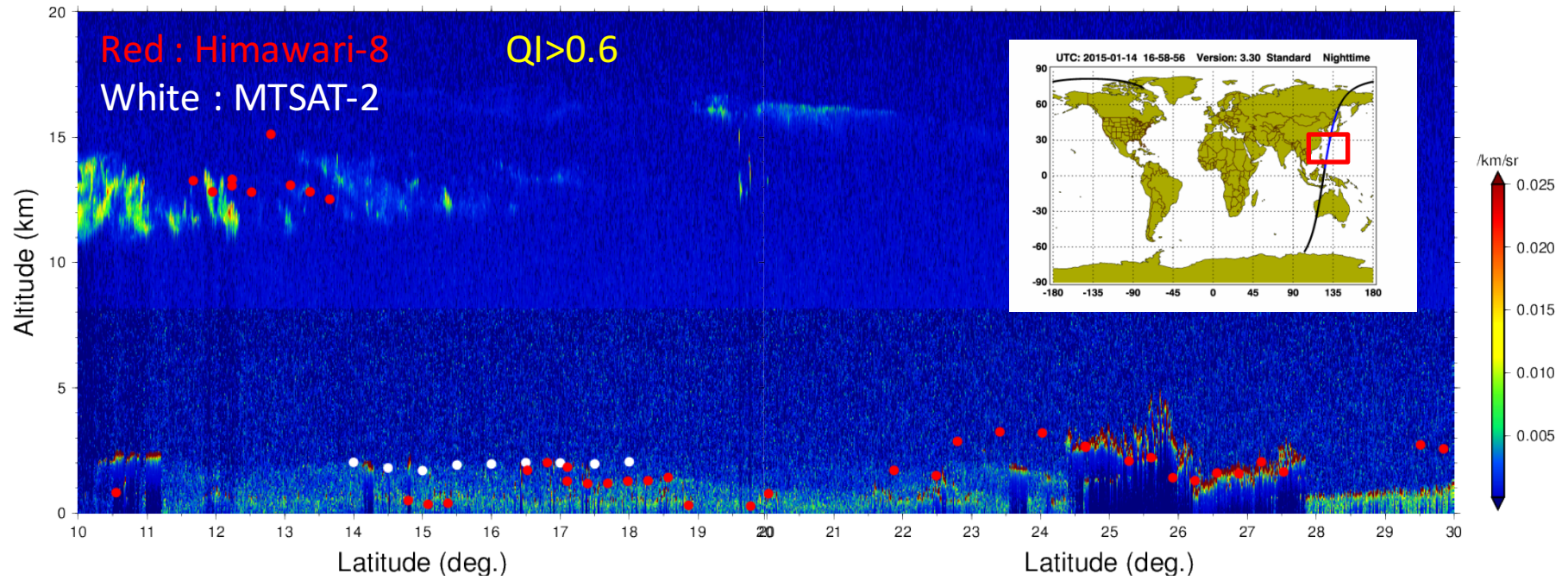
- Height of semitransparent cirrus over cumulus is generally consistent with CALIPSO
- Sophistication for optimal layer selection method in multiple layer situation required



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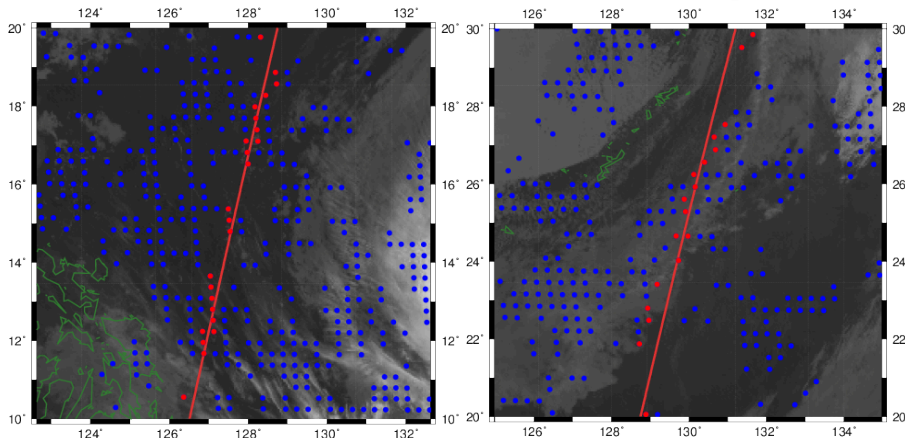
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- Very small fractional clouds at low level are sometimes assigned to lower than MTSAT AMV

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Period : August 1 – August 31 2015 ( QI > 0.85)

Himawari-8 AMV using Himawari-8 imagery and new algorithm

HIGH-LEVEL				
(-400hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	4.88	5.25	4.52	5.25
RMSVD	5.82	6.20	5.40	6.50
BIAS	-0.1	0.04	-0.23	-0.16
SPD	19.07	22.08	15.93	29.89
MED-LEVEL				
(400-700hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	3.97	4.05	3.42	4.81
RMSVD	4.67	4.75	4.00	5.59
BIAS	-0.12	0.03	-0.28	-0.28
SPD	12.28	12.23	8.94	19.24
LOW-LEVEL				
(700hpa-)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	3.22	2.99	3.21	3.44
RMSVD	3.86	3.71	3.8	4.08
BIAS	0.54	0.04	0.84	0.45
SPD	8.85	8.26	8.23	10.55

MTSAT-2 AMV using MTSAT-2 imagery and heritage algorithm

HIGH-LEVEL				
(-400hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	5.11	5.71	4.4	5.68
RMSVD	6.17	6.84	5.26	6.99
BIAS	-0.66	-0.87	-0.36	-1.83
SPD	18.07	21.55	13.56	27.11
MED-LEVEL				
(400-700hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	4.96	4.81	4.11	5.76
RMSVD	6.05	5.66	4.91	7.21
BIAS	-0.35	0.07	-0.39	-0.99
SPD	16.52	14.3	11.87	23.04
LOW-LEVEL				
(700hpa-)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	3.32	3.04	3.27	3.62
RMSVD	3.95	3.86	3.88	4.17
BIAS	0.26	-0.43	0.52	0.23
SPD	8.12	7.44	8.05	8.78

- BIAS (AMV-sonde) is mitigated on high and middle level
- Improvement to RMSVD can be seen in middle level.

**Red : improved ( over 0.5 m/s)**

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**Blue : debased ( over 0.5 m/s)**

Note: AMV minus ground truth (RAWIN)  
MVD = Mean Vector Difference  
RMSVD = Vector Difference RMS  
BIAS = Speed Bias  
SPD = Wind Speed

# IR AMV sonde statistic for winter season (Himawari-8 vs MTSAT )

Period : December 1 – December 31 2015 ( QI > 0.85)

Himawari-8 AMV using Himawari-8 imagery and new algorithm

HIGH-LEVEL				
(-400hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	4.77	5.73	4.10	5.08
RMSVD	5.72	6.75	4.87	6.07
BIAS	-0.32	-0.38	-0.34	0.04
SPD	24.2	40.49	12.96	27.57
MED-LEVEL				
(400-700hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	4.58	4.74	3.72	4.32
RMSVD	5.48	5.65	4.55	5.05
BIAS	-0.19	-0.24	-0.16	0.52
SPD	19.69	21.78	8.56	15.37
LOW-LEVEL				
(700hpa-)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	3.39	3.57	3.01	3.60
RMSVD	4.06	4.28	3.60	4.19
BIAS	0.22	-0.14	0.84	0.38
SPD	9.90	10.46	9.09	9.12

MTSAT-2 AMV using MTSAT-2 imagery and heritage algorithm

HIGH-LEVEL				
(-400hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	4.90	6.56	3.78	5.71
RMSVD	5.99	7.80	4.42	6.77
BIAS	-0.74	-1.4	-0.47	-0.28
SPD	18.8	33.32	9.43	23.93
MED-LEVEL				
(400-700hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	5.79	5.94	5.67	4.78
RMSVD	7.03	7.21	6.99	5.56
BIAS	-1.76	-1.79	-2.6	-1.21
SPD	21.45	22.32	11.97	18.5
LOW-LEVEL				
(700hpa-)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	3.62	4.04	2.95	3.88
RMSVD	4.25	4.69	3.48	4.41
BIAS	-0.13	-0.57	0.39	0.02
SPD	9.55	10.49	8.66	8.76

- Negative speed BIAS (AMV-sonde) in winter season is mitigated
- RMSVD is decreased in high and middle level

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# WV AMV sonde statistic for summer season (Himawari-8 vs MTSAT )

Period : August 1 – August 31 2015 ( QI > 0.85)

Himawari-8 AMV using Himawari-8 imagery and new algorithm

HIGH-LEVEL (-400hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	5.07	5.51	4.71	5.41
RMSVD	6.07	6.55	5.64	6.71
BIAS	0.4	0.72	0.16	0.16
SPD	20.27	23.52	17.43	32.37

MTSAT-2 AMV using MTSAT-2 imagery and heritage algorithm

HIGH-LEVEL (-400hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	5.45	5.90	4.89	5.80
RMSVD	6.53	7.00	5.90	6.99
BIAS	0.79	0.7	0.91	0.39
SPD	19.81	23.41	15.12	28.79

- Quality is almost same for WV high level winds in summer

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BIAS	0.17	0.26	0.03	0.8
SPD	24.82	42.48	14.47	29.39

MTSAT-2 AMV using MTSAT-2 imagery and heritage algorithm

HIGH-LEVEL (-400hPa)	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
MVD	5.39	7.11	3.93	5.85
RMSVD	6.68	8.53	4.68	6.96
BIAS	0.99	1.19	0.66	1.68
SPD	23.96	40.22	10.69	26.63

- Quality is totally improved for WV high level winds in winter season over all region

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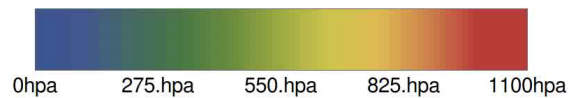
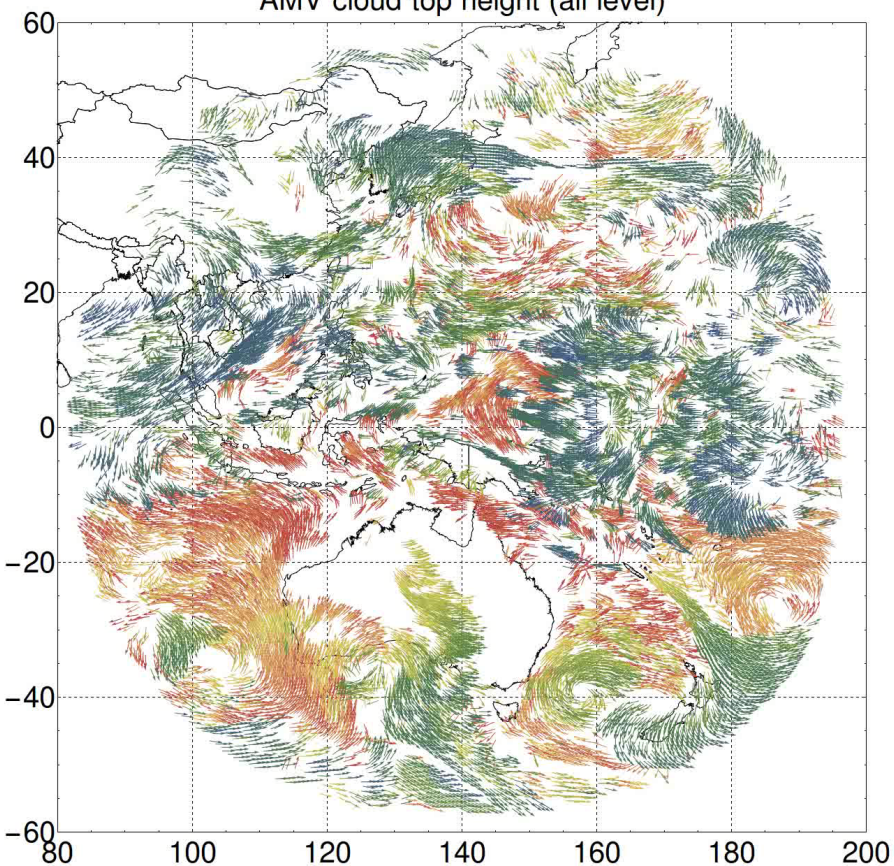
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# O-B analysis using JMA global model for 10.4 $\mu$ m (IR) AMV at summer season (QI>60)

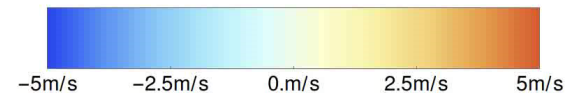
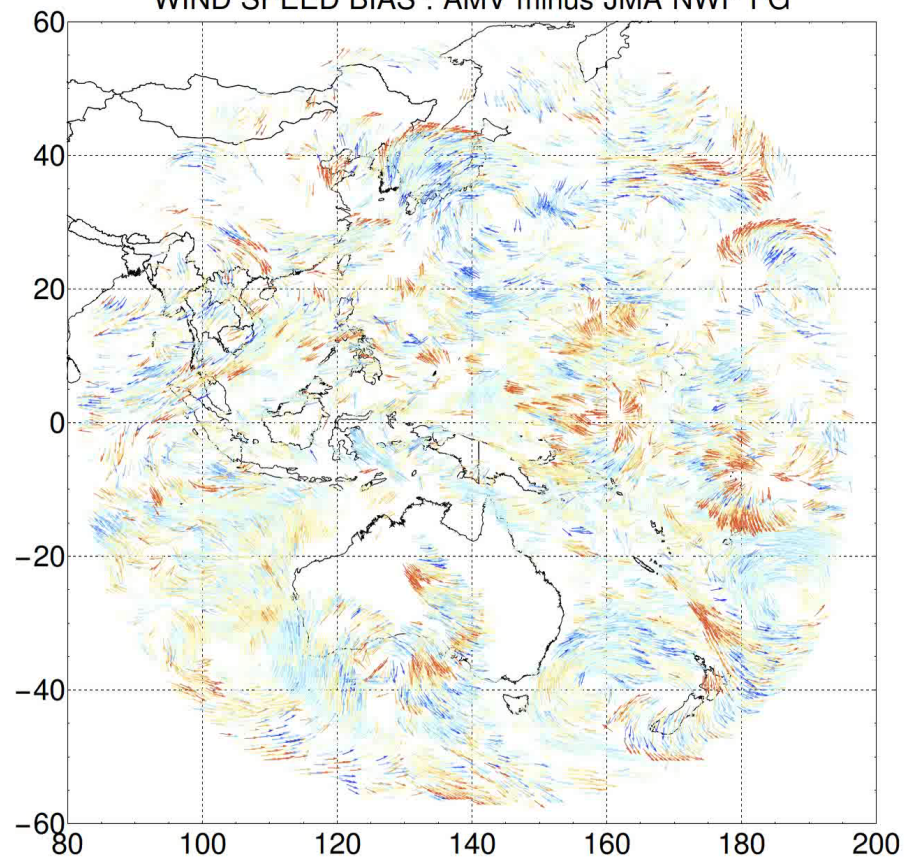
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AMV cloud top height (all level)



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WIND SPEED BIAS : AMV minus JMA NWP FG

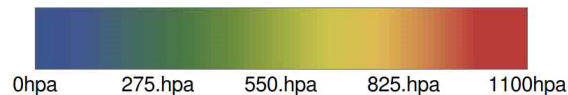
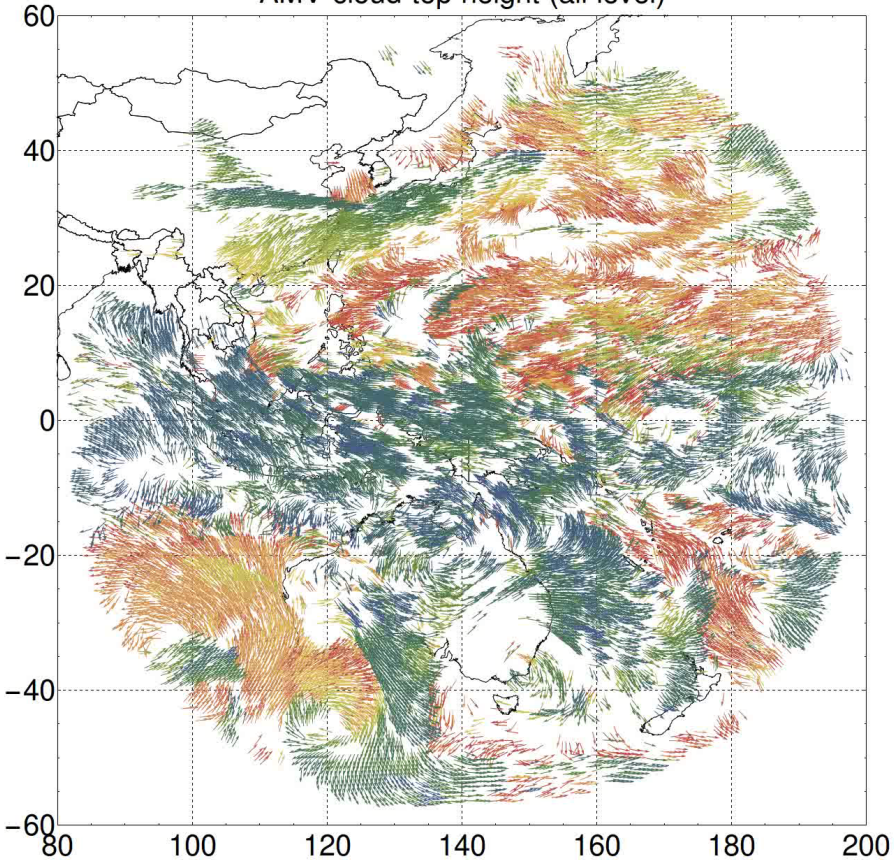


- Positive wind speed bias seen around convective area

# O-B analysis using JMA global model for 10.4um (IR) AMV at winter season (QI>60)

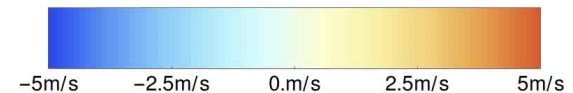
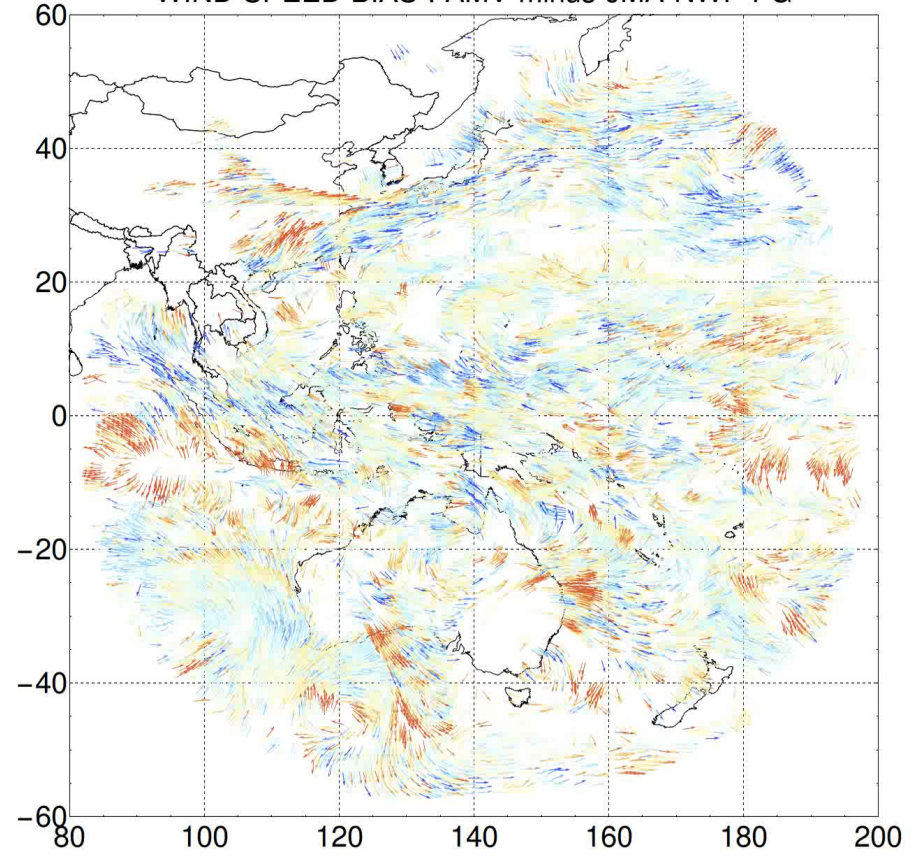
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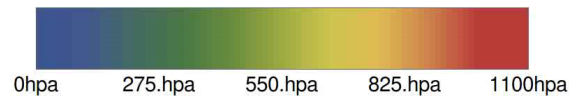
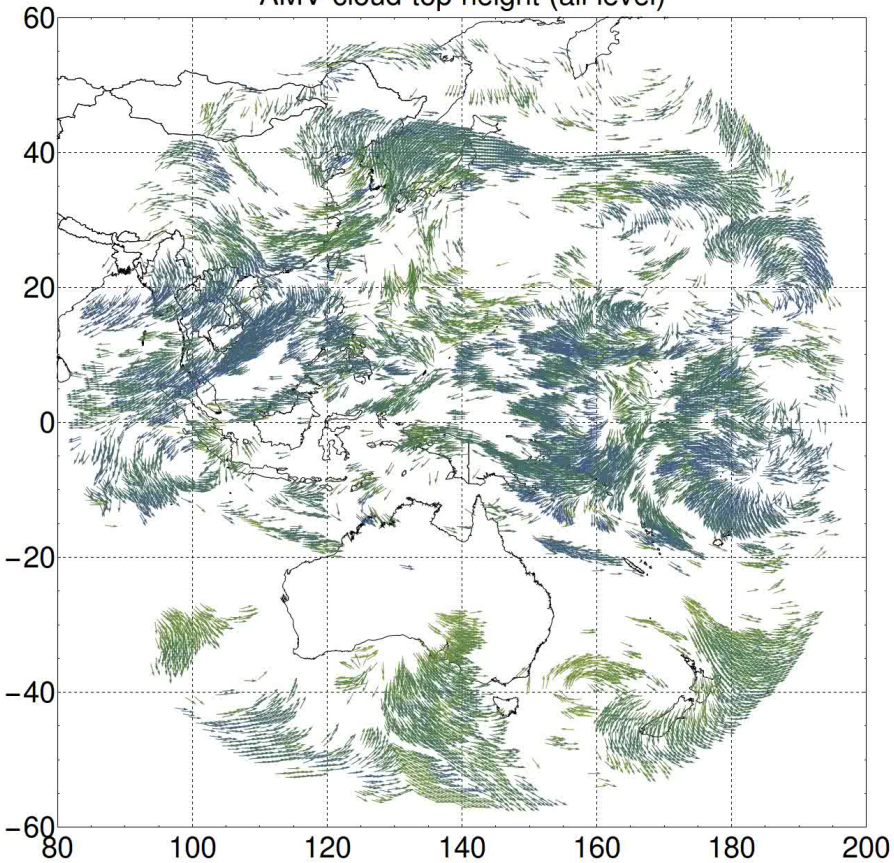
- Negative wind speed bias seen around northern hemisphere
- Negative wind speed bias around jet region on northern hemisphere
- Positive wind speed bias seen around convective area (same as summer season)



# O-B analysis using JMA global model for 6.9 $\mu$ m (WV) AMV at summer season (QI>60)

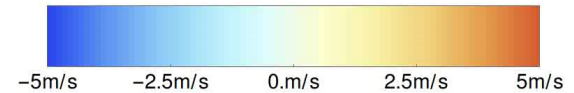
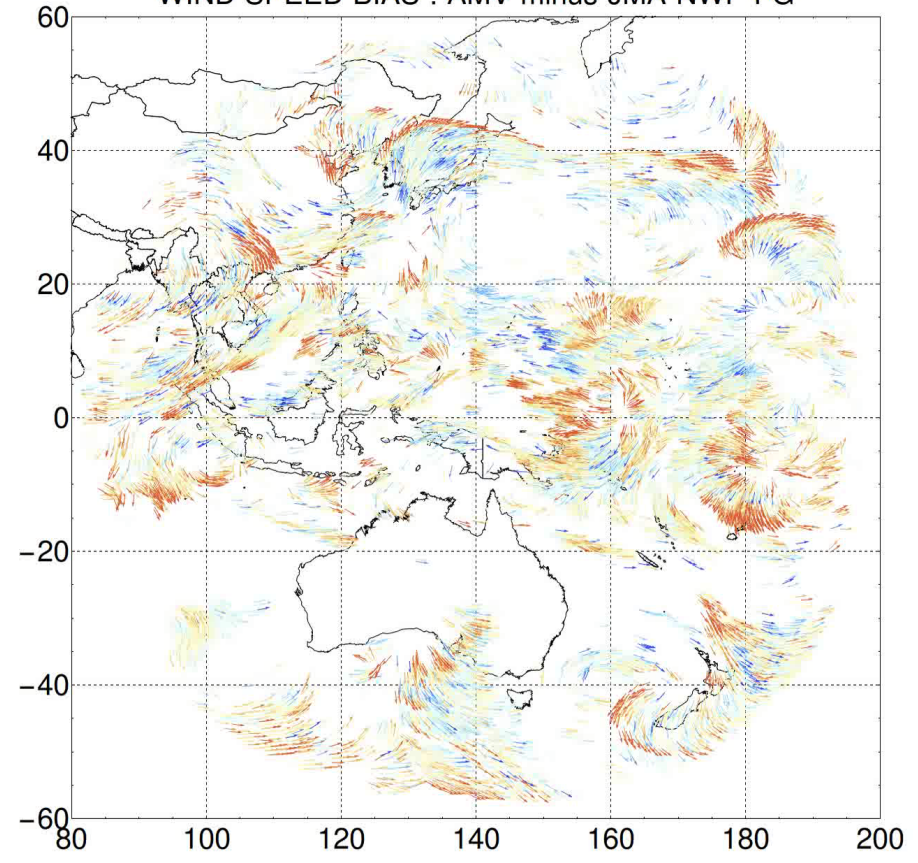
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AMV cloud top height (all level)



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WIND SPEED BIAS : AMV minus JMA NWP FG

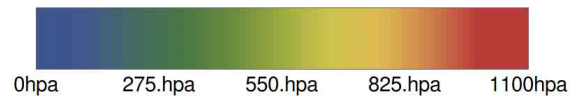
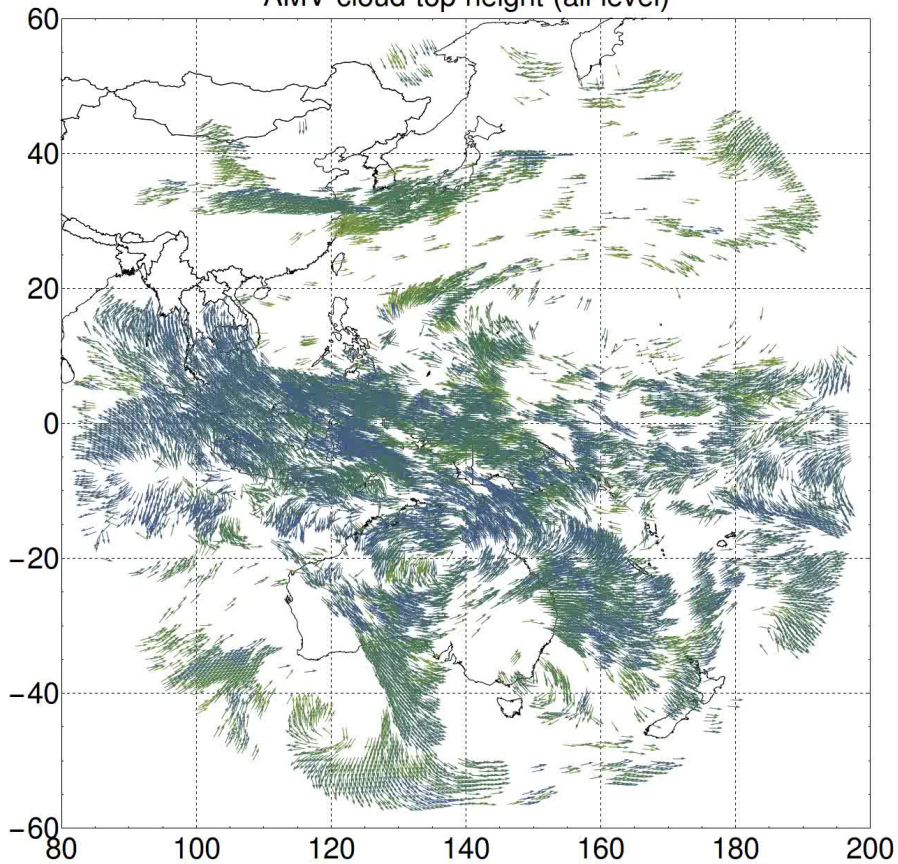


- Positive wind speed bias seen around convective area
- Totally positive wind speed bias over all area

# O-B analysis using JMA global model for 6.9um (WV) AMV at winter season (QI>60)

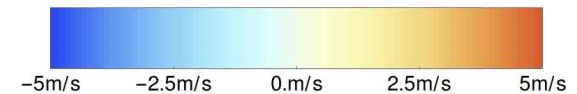
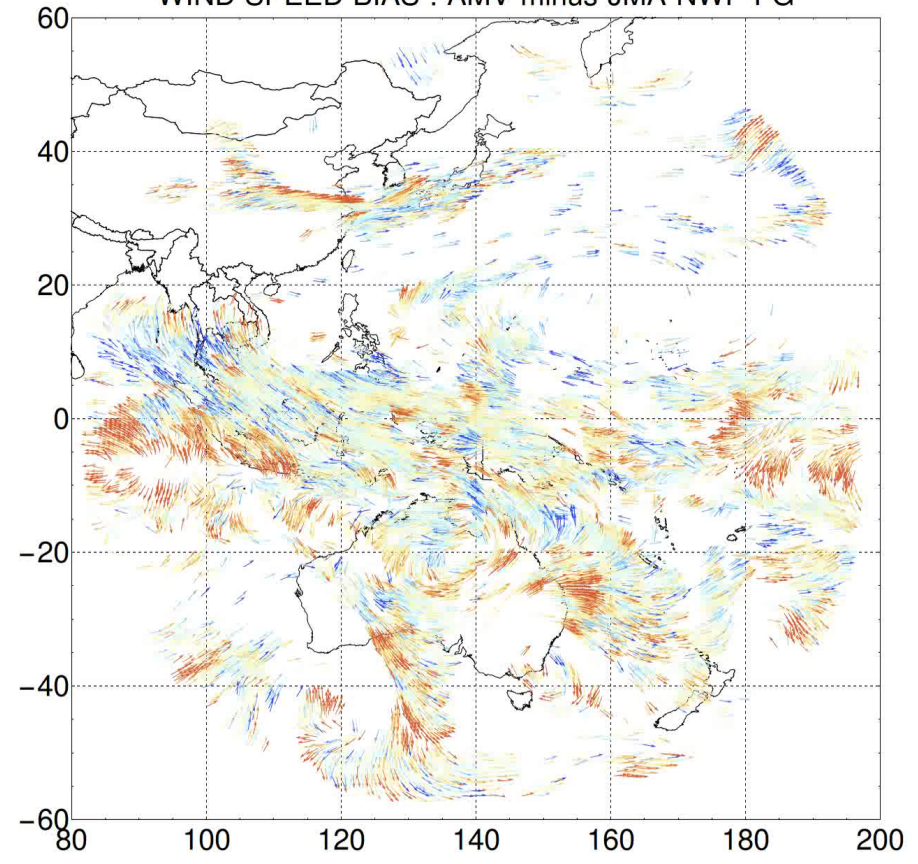
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AMV cloud top height (all level)



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# Future upgrade for Himawari AMV

## AMV for global NWP

### AMV for global NWP

- spatial density : 34 km at nadir
- temporal density : Hourly computed
- Input data resolution : 2km and 10 min.

### High-resolution AMV for global NWP

- spatial density : 18 km at nadir (**x 3**)
- temporal density : half-hourly computed (**x 2**)
- Input data resolution : 2km and 10 min.

## AMV for mesoscale NWP

### AMV for mesoscale NWP (Japan area)

- spatial density : 20 km at nadir
- temporal density : Hourly computed
- target box size : 7x7 and 31x31 pixels
- Input data resolution : 2km and 10 min.

### RS-AMV for Japan area

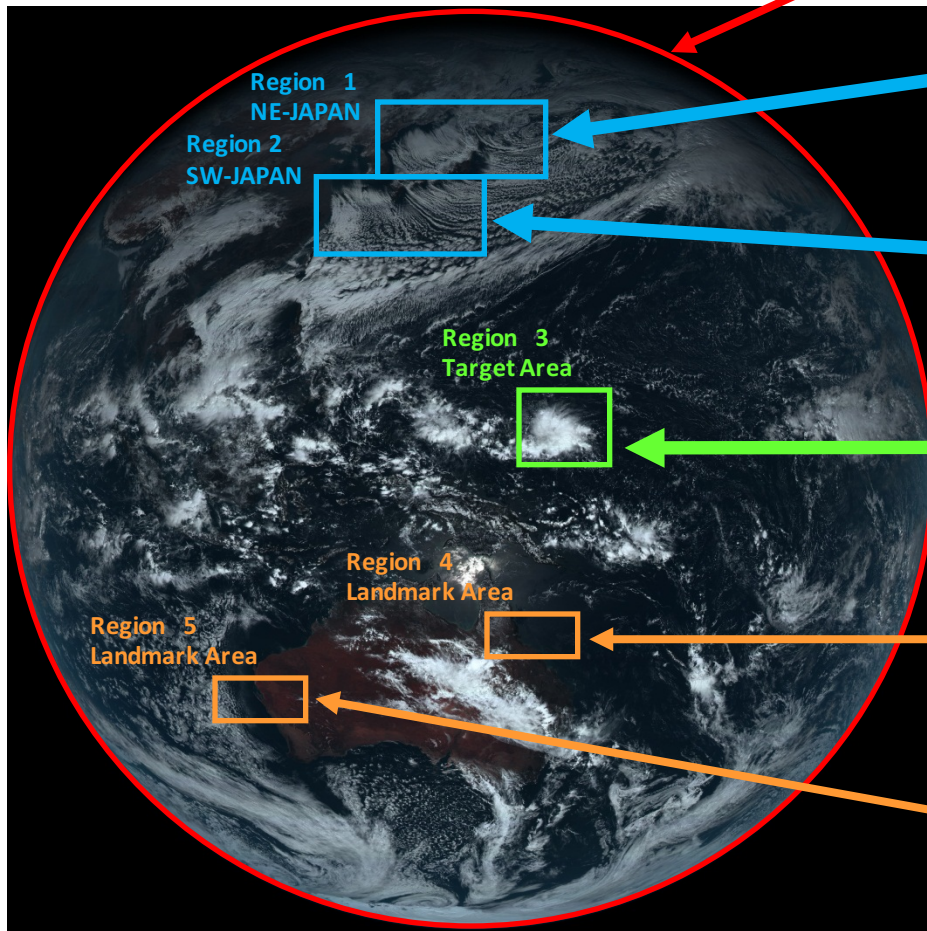
- spatial density : 3.5 km at nadir
- temporal density : 10 min.
- target box size : 7x7 and 31x31 pixels
- Input data resolution
  - IR and WV : 2km and 5 min.
  - VIS : 0.5km and 2.5min.

### RS-AMV for target observation

- spatial density : 2.5 km at nadir
- temporal density : 10 min.
- target box size : 5x5 and 31x31 pixels
- Input data resolution
  - IR and WV : 2km and 5 min.
  - VIS : 0.5km and 2.5min.

- **New AMV products will start from September 2016**
- **Dissemination of new products to overseas is planned to start after establishment of transmission way**

# AHI Observation Areas and Frequencies



## Full disk

Interval : **10 minutes** (6 times per hour)

## Region 1 JAPAN (North-East)

Interval : **2.5 minutes** (4 times in 10 min)

Dimension : EW x NS: 2000 x 1000 km

## Region 2 JAPAN (South-West)

Interval : **2.5 minutes** (4 times in 10 min)

Dimension : EW x NS: 2000 x 1000 km

## Region 3 Target Area

Interval : **2.5 minutes** (4 times in 10 min)

Dimension : EW x NS: 1000 x 1000 km

## Region 4 Landmark Area

Interval : **30 seconds** (20 times in 10 min)

Dimension : EW x NS: 1000 x 500 km

## Region 5 Landmark Area

Interval : **30 seconds** (20 times in 10 min)

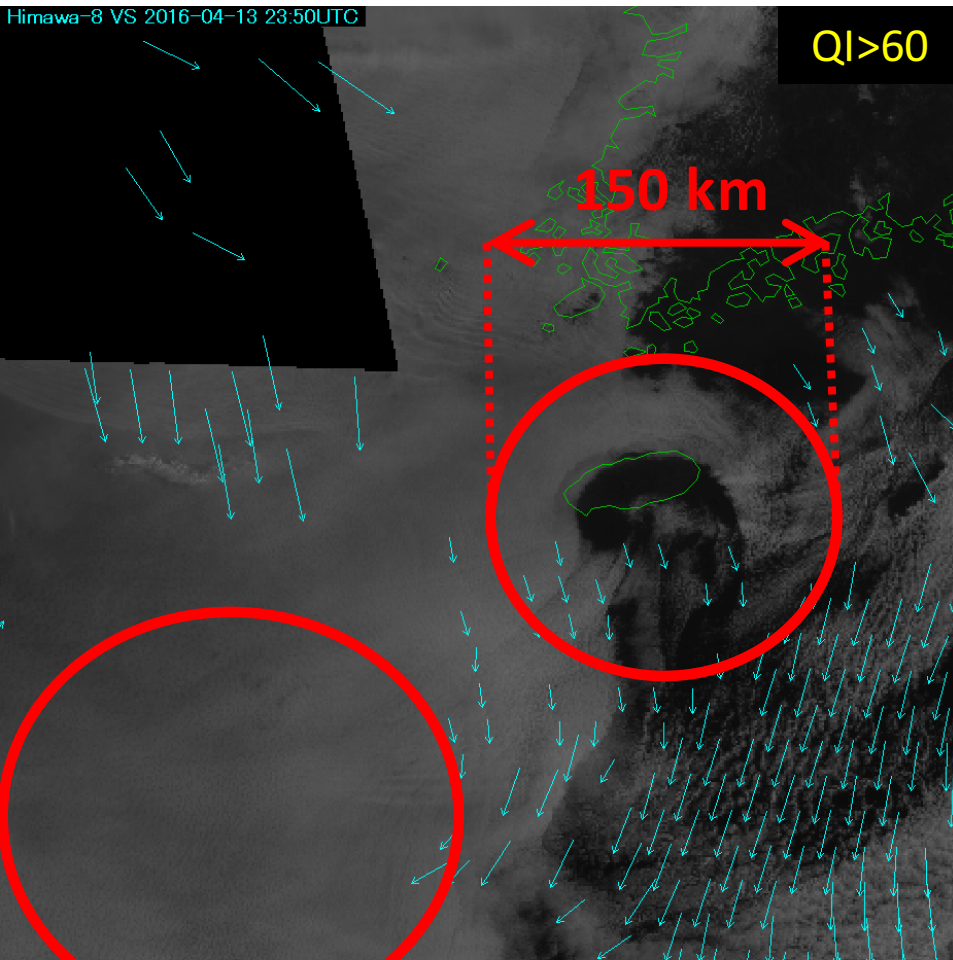
Dimension : EW x NS: 1000 x 500 km

# RS-AMV from AHI target observation (Japan area)

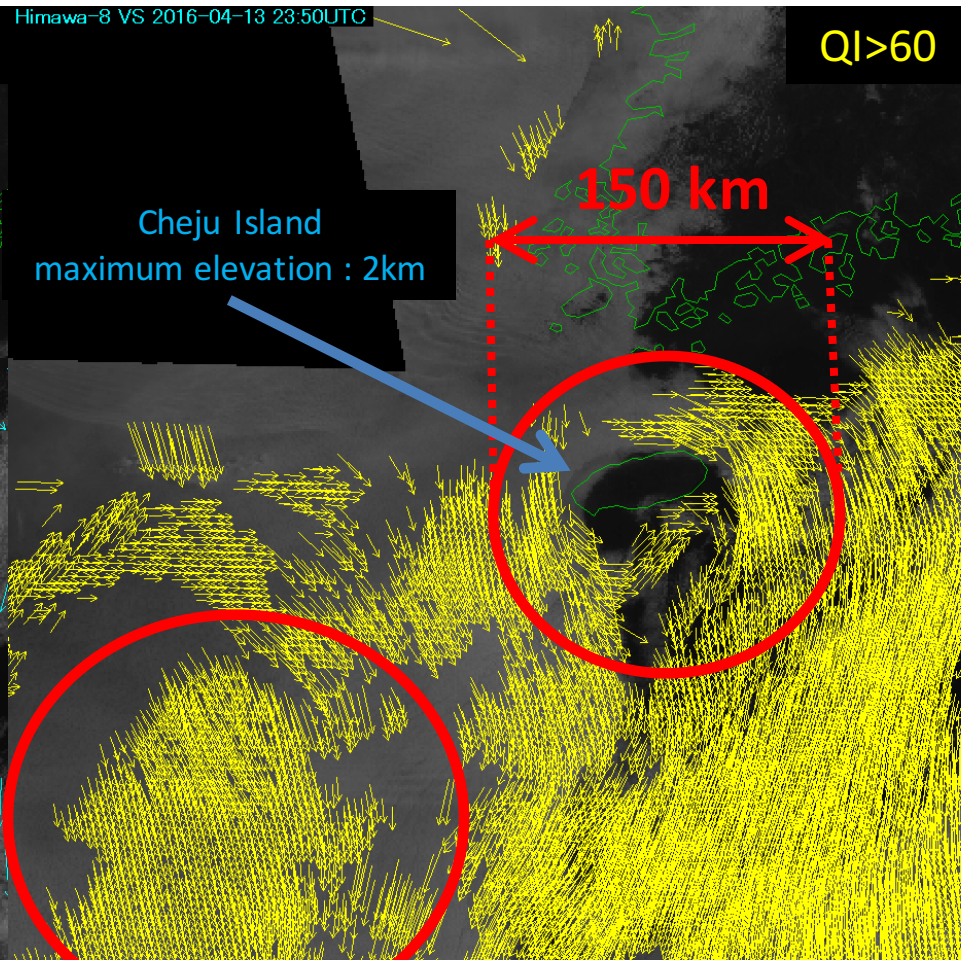
- Orographic winds can be detected
- Rapidly deforming clouds at low level can be tracked

H8 VIS AMVs from **10 minutes** and **2 km** VIS imagery  
2016-04-13-2340UTC

H8 VIS AMVs from **2.5 minutes** and **0.5 km** VIS imagery  
2016-04-13-2340UTC



Target box size : 7x7 (14km) and 31x31 (62km) pixels

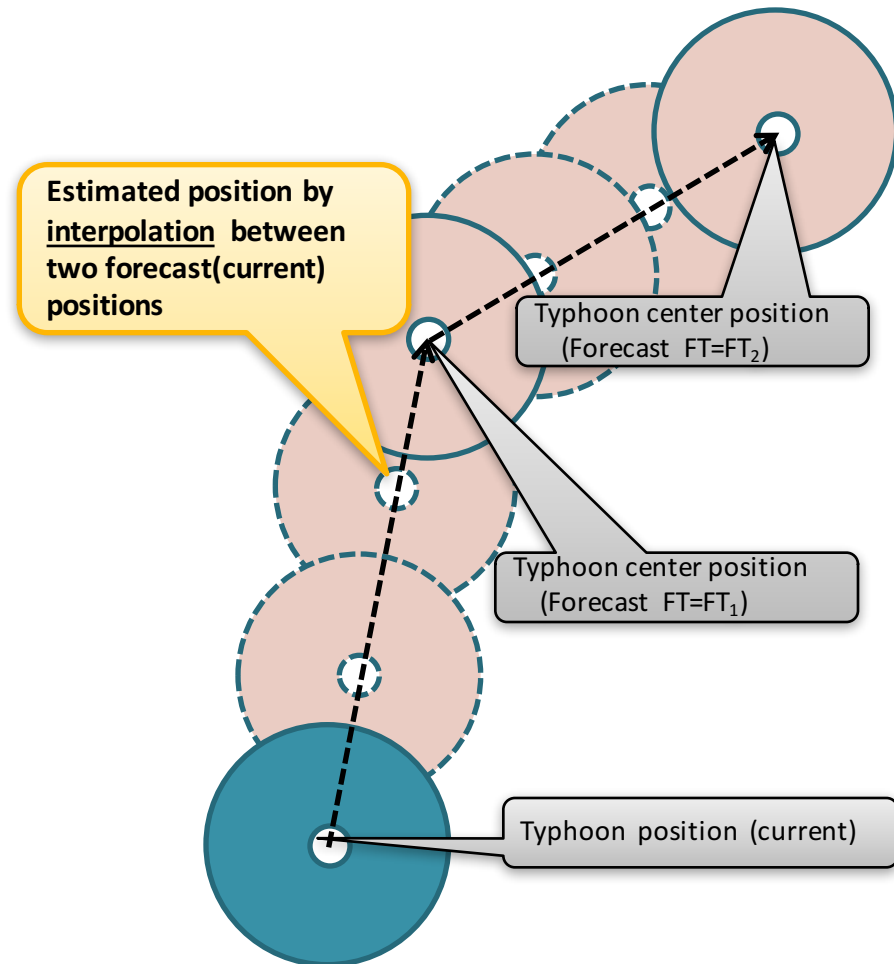


Target box size : 5x5 (2.5km) and 31x31 (16km) pixels

# Target area observation (Typhoon)



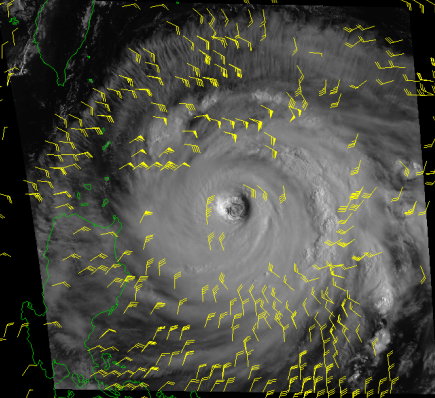
21 UTC on 9th – 10 UTC on 10th, May 2015  
Typhoon Noul (2015) Band 03



(movie)

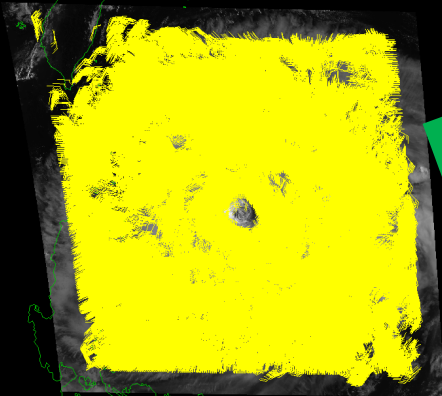
# RS-AMV from AH1 target observation (Typhoon)

Operational Himawari-8 AMV



Using 10 min. and 2 km resolution

Himawari-8 Rapid Scan AMV

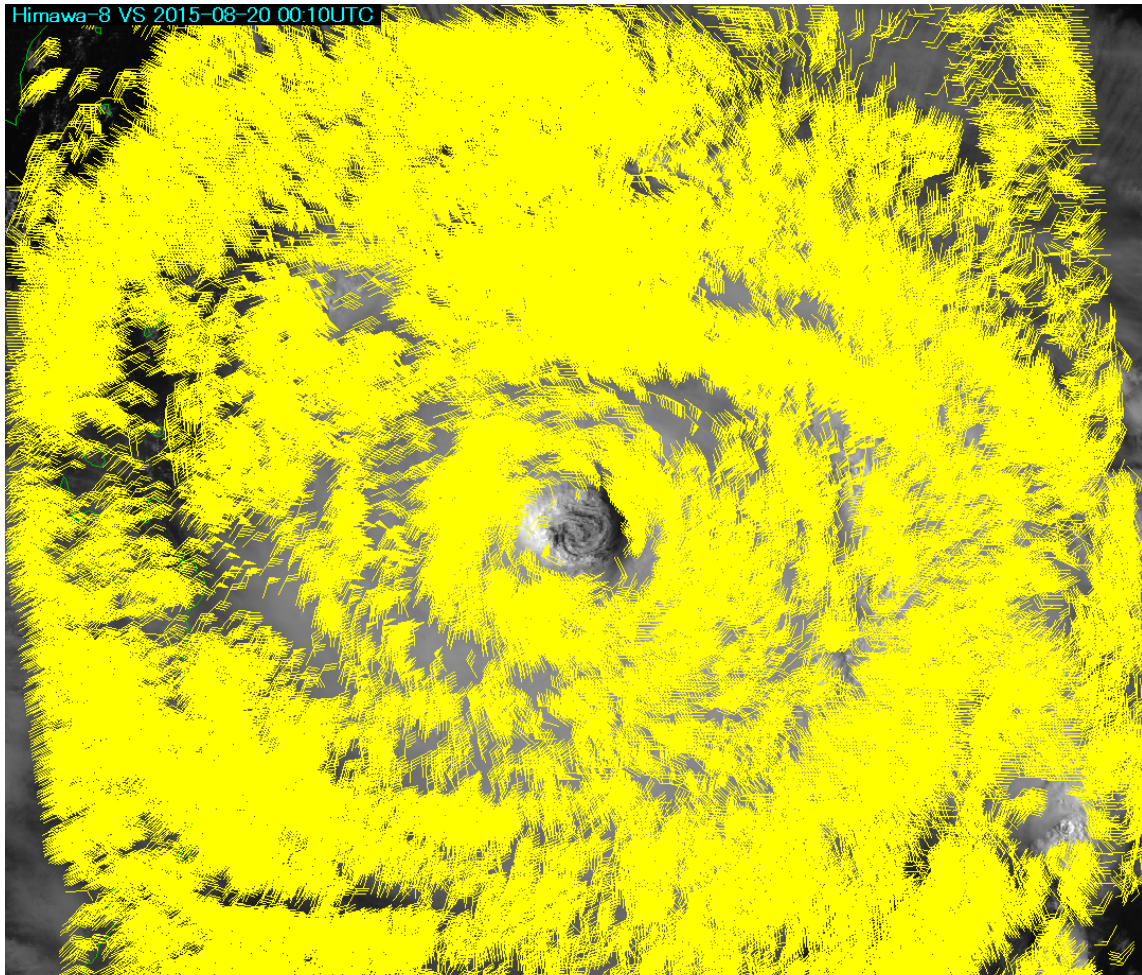


Using 2.5 min. and 0.5 km (2km for IR)

IR and VIS AMVs (QI>60, 00UTC August 20th 2015 )

- ✓ Increase of data quality and quantity -> Improvement to **temporal** and **spatial** resolution

Himawa-8 VS 2015-08-20 00:10UTC



Target box size : 5x5 (2.5km) and 31x31 (15km) pixels



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2. Quality of Himawari-8 AMV

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# Summary

A satellite is shown in space, with the Earth's horizon visible in the lower half of the frame. The satellite has a large rectangular panel and various instruments. The background is a dark field of stars.

- JMA replaced operational geostationary satellite from MTSAT-2 to Himawari-8 at 7<sup>th</sup> July 2015.
- Backup satellite Himawari-9 will launch in 2016 and start its backup operation from Q1 2017.
- Quality of Himawari-8 AMV is considered to be comparative to or better than MTSAT-2 AMV from sonde statistic and collocation study using CALIPSO.
- JMA plans to increase spatial/temporal density of Himawari AMV and now looking for data transmission method.