



Expected Characteristics of Global Wind Profile Measurements with a Scanning, Hybrid, Doppler Lidar System

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- Geometry
- Sensor
- Measurement Requirements
- Comparison to Rawinsonde Network
- Tradeoffs

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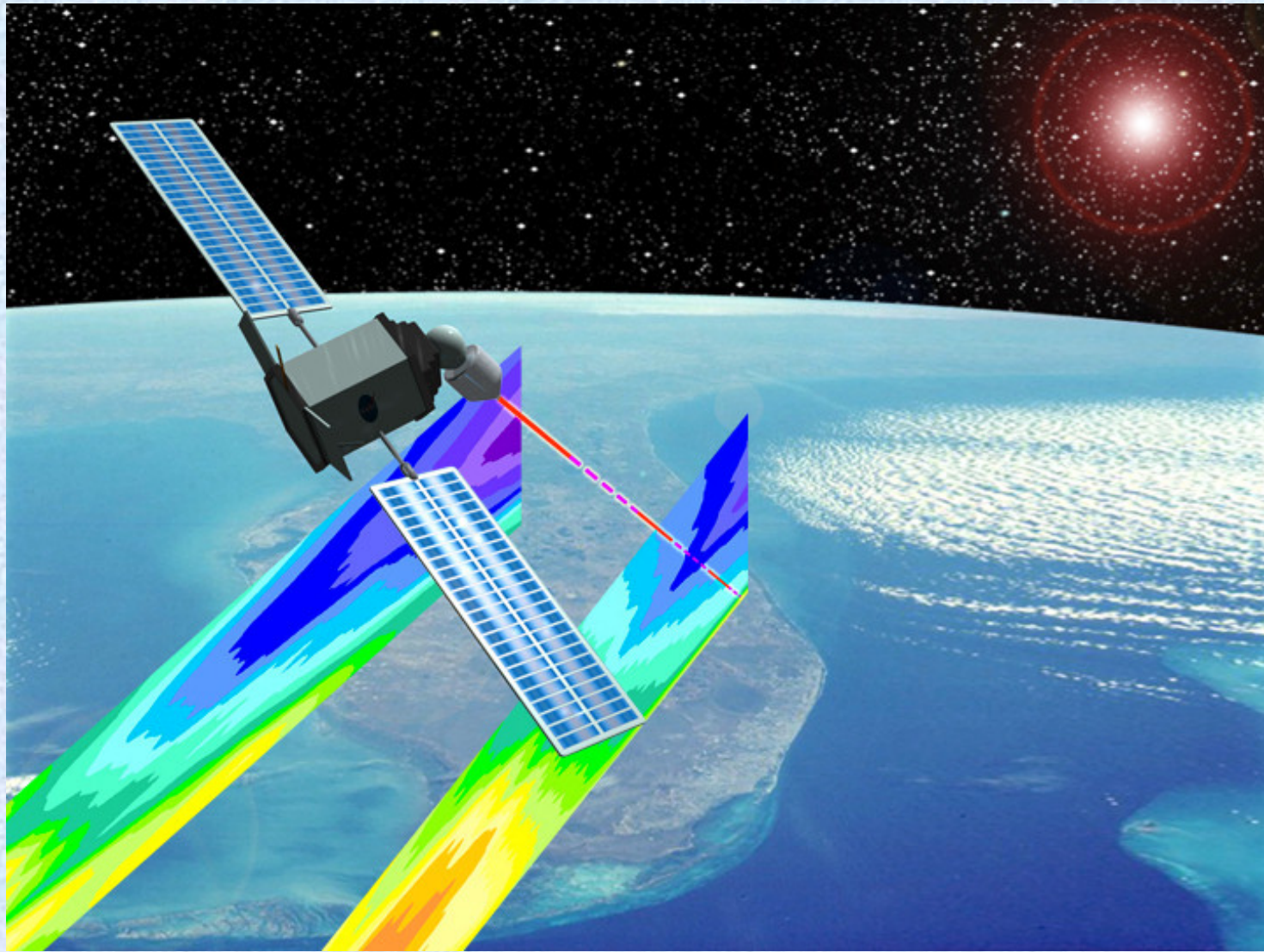


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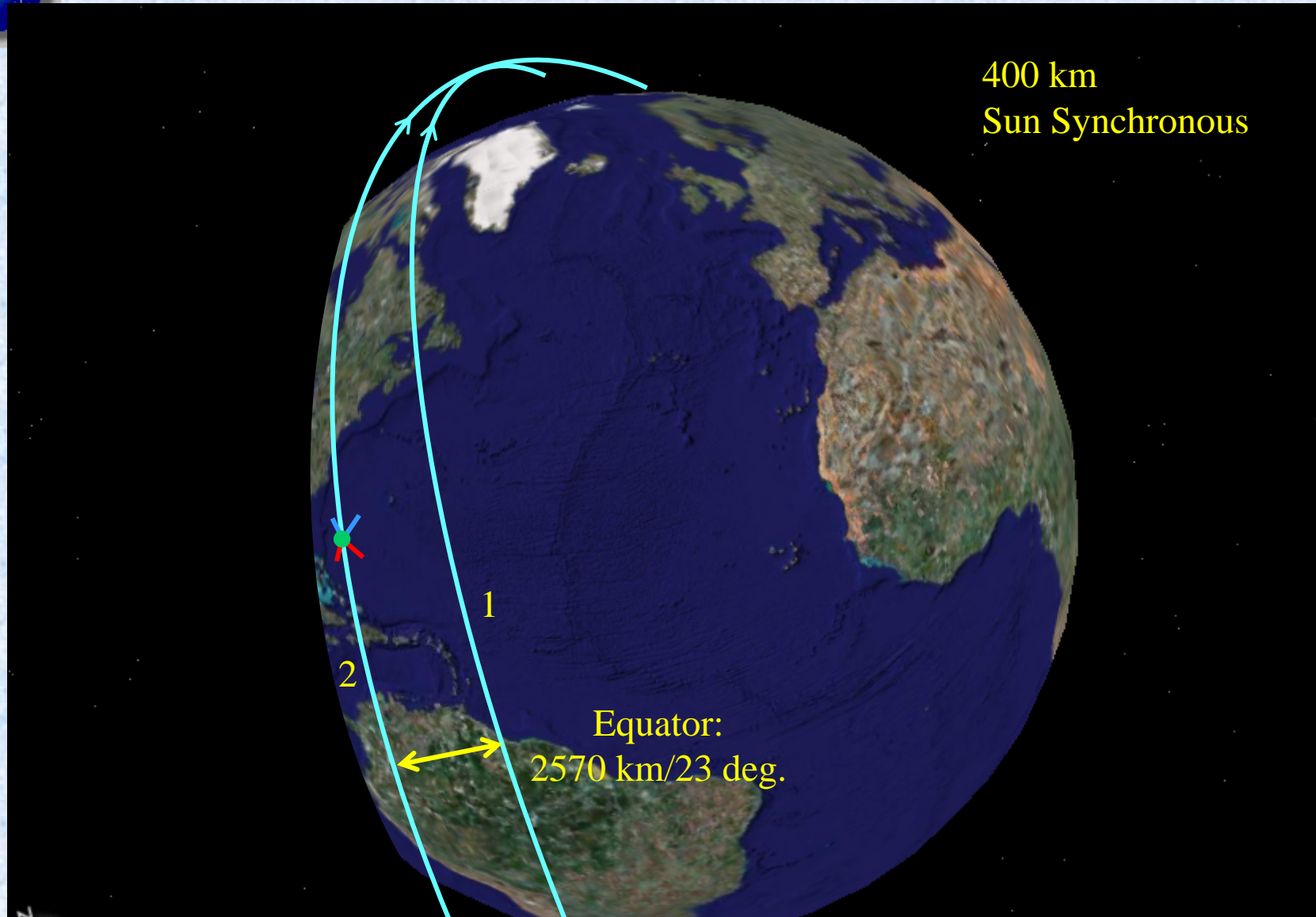


Two “Horizontal” Wind Profile “Tracks”



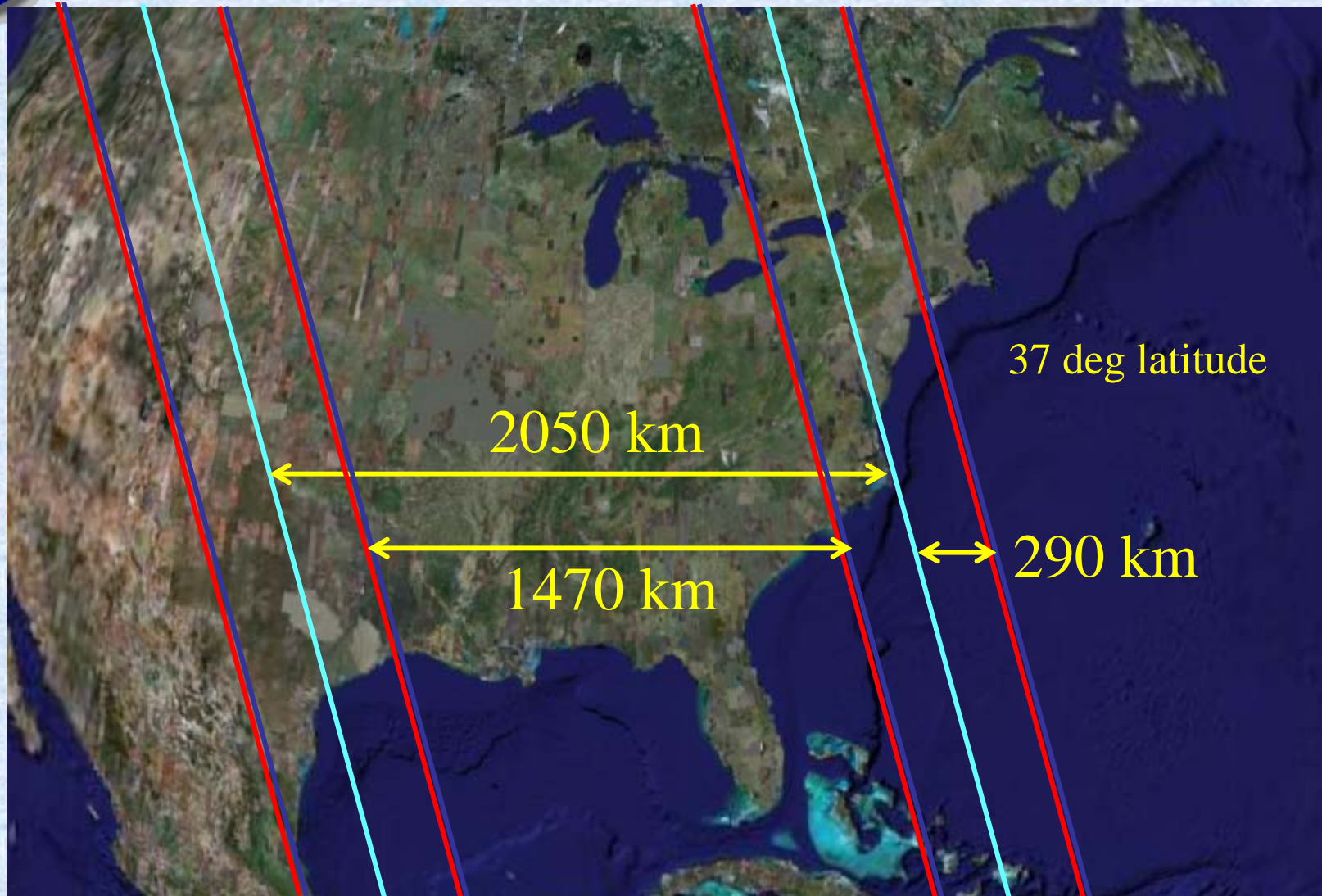


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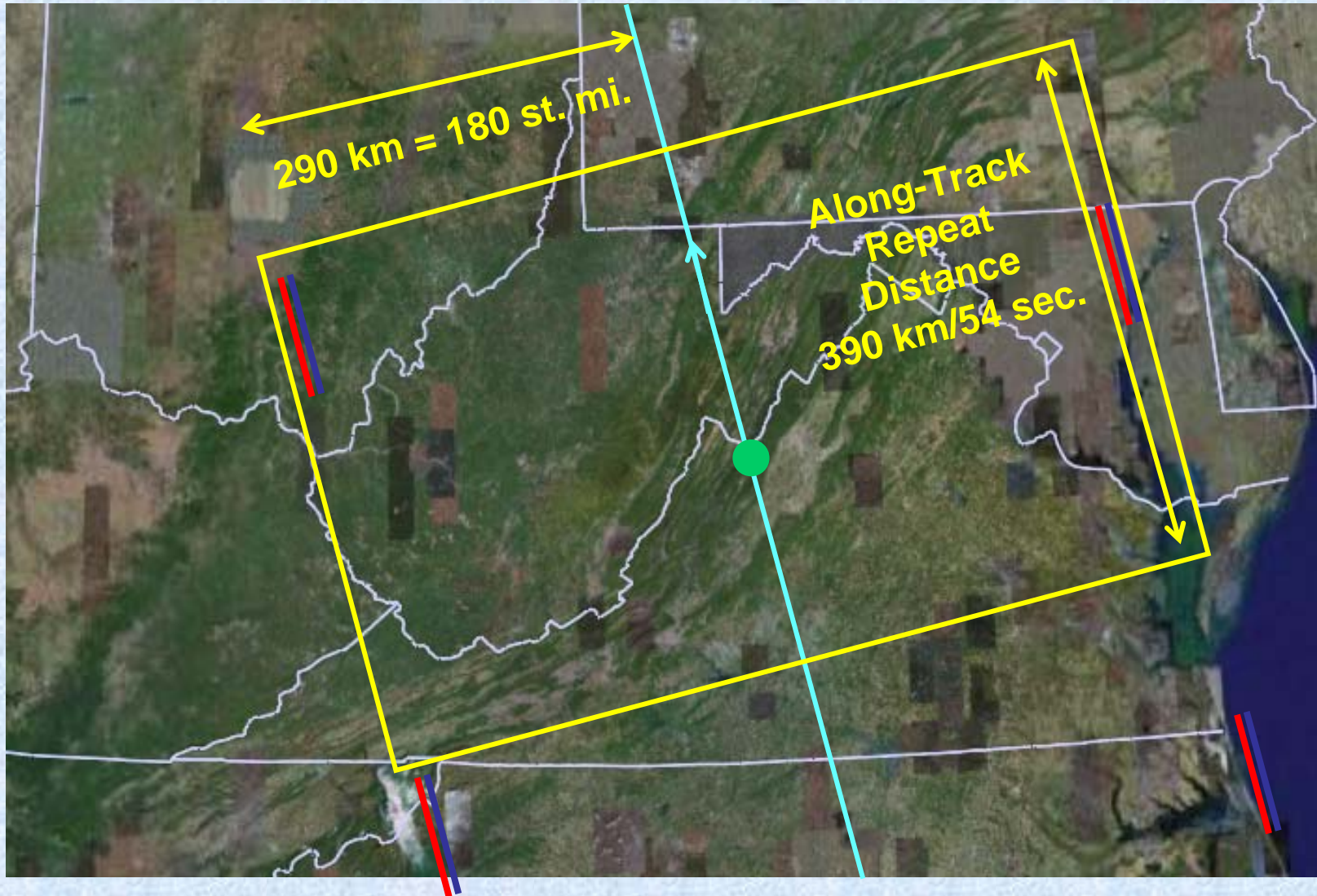


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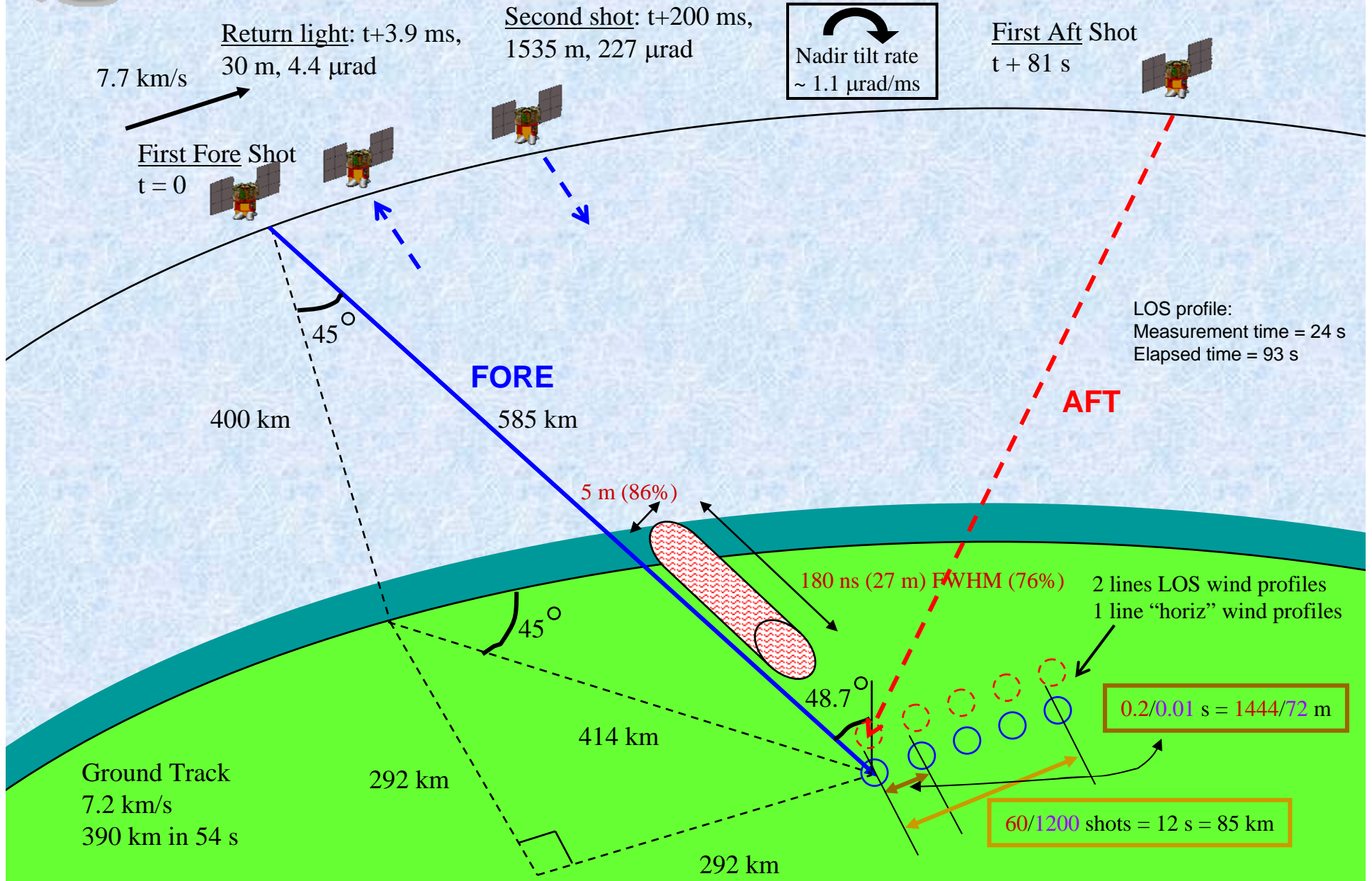


Hybrid Doppler Wind Lidar – One Measurement Pattern





Hybrid Doppler Wind Lidar Lidar Shot Accumulation for LOS Wind Profile





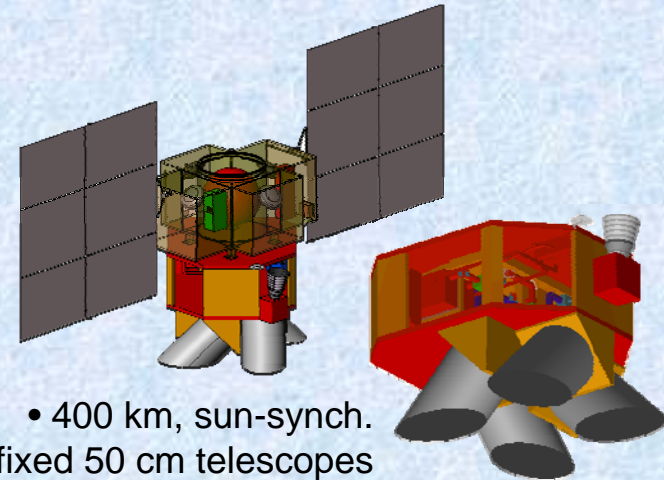
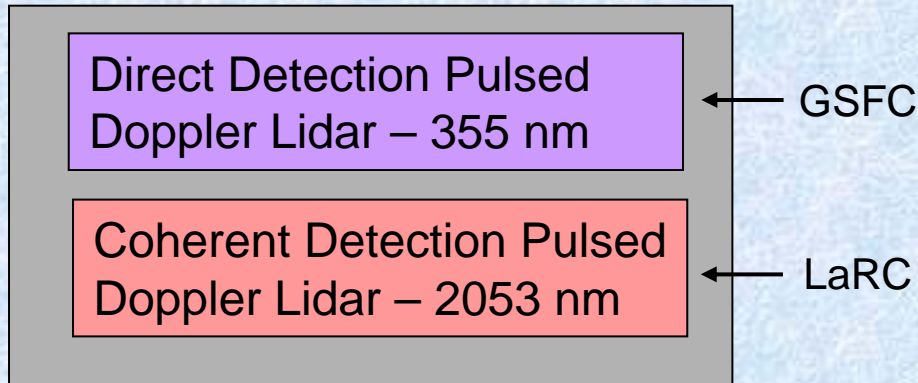
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Hybrid Pulsed Doppler Wind Lidar System

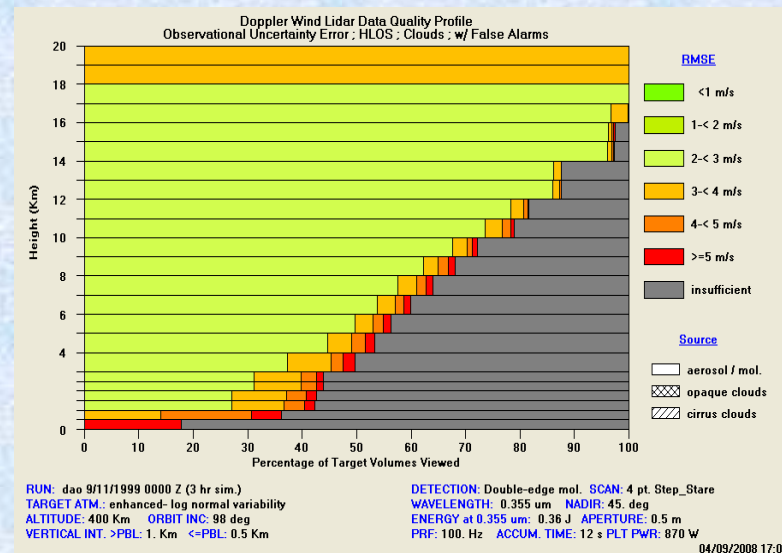
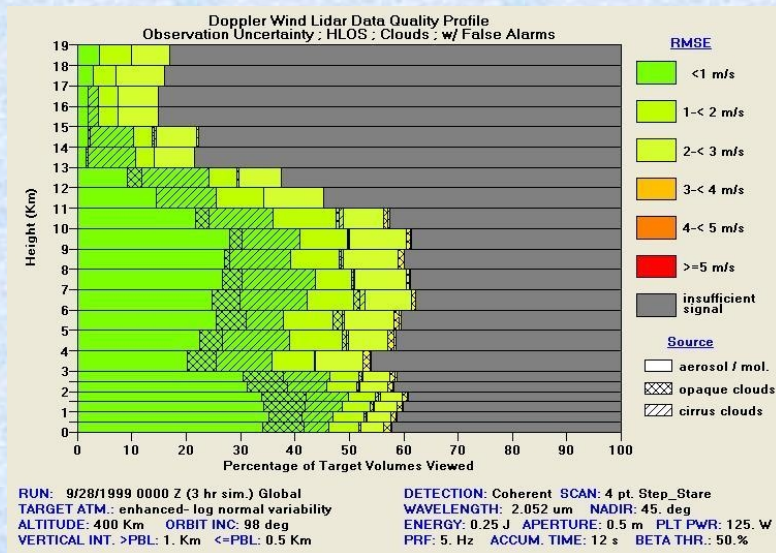


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250 mJ x 5 Hz = 1.25 W
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Direct Detection

800 mJ x 100 Hz = 80 W
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Courtesy: G. David Emmitt



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Hybrid Doppler Lidar Synergisms

- Coherent works better as altitude goes down
- Direct works better as altitude goes up
- Overlapping altitudes provide intercomparison checks
- Coverage of coherent will be improved if direct measurement is used as guide for velocity search
- Coherent surface returns can be used to calibrate spacecraft attitude for both lidars
- Coherent can measure below a cloud deck by poking through holes

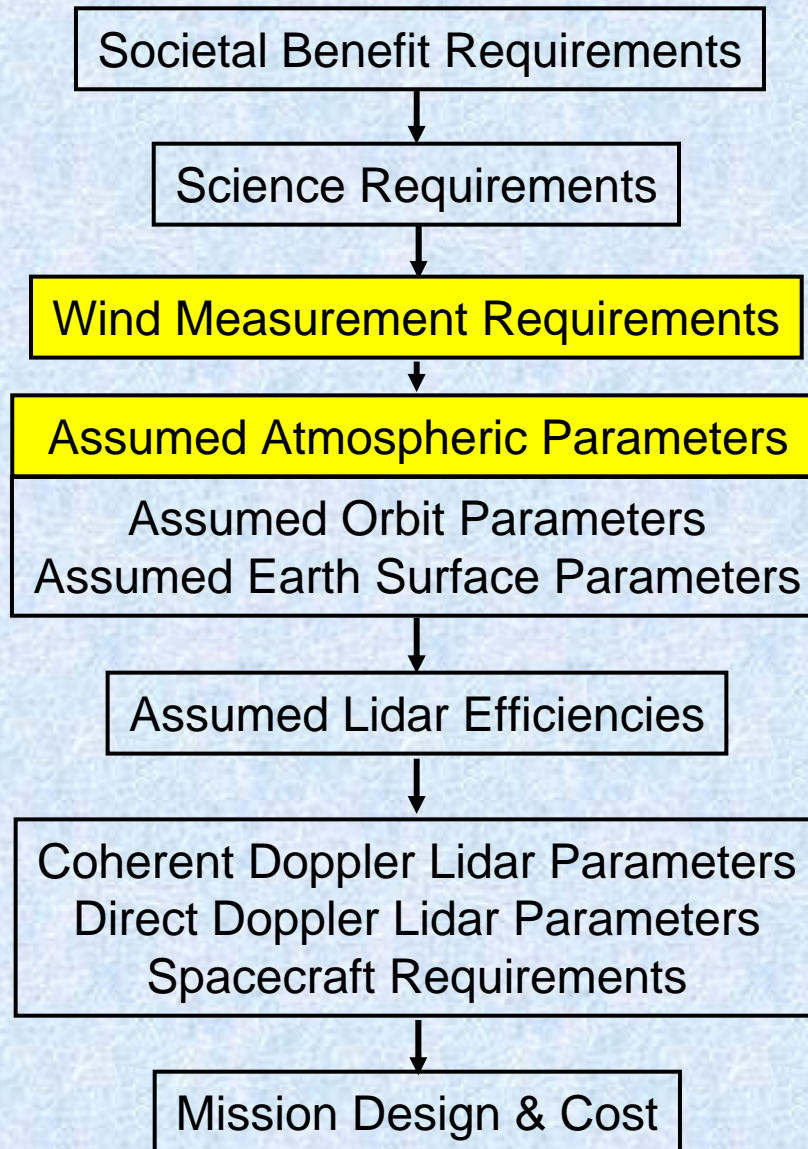


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NASA/NOAA

- Large effort to formulate wind measurement requirements occurred in 2001 by NASA, NOAA, university, and private industry scientists under purview of NASA's Global Tropospheric Wind Sounder program
- Complete requirements including definitions, comments, and design atmospheres fill 24 pages in:
 - A. Valinia, J. Neff, S. Ismail, M. J. Kavaya, U. N. Singh, et al, "Lidar Technologies Working Group Report," Final Report of the NASA Earth Science Technology Office (ESTO) Laser/Lidar Technology Requirements Working Group (June 2006)
- Published requirements are "almost" current. Some tweaking has occurred since.



Wind Measurement Requirements

NASA/NOAA (Partial List)

| | Science Demonstration | Operational | |
|---|-----------------------|-------------|-----|
| Minimum Vertical Depth of Regard (DOR) | 0-20 | 0-20 | km |
| Maximum Vertical Resolution: | | | |
| Tropopause to Top of DOR | 4 | 3 | km |
| Top of BL to Tropopause (~12 km) | 2 | 1 | km |
| Surface to Top of BL (~2 km) | 1 | 0.5 | km |
| Maximum Horizontal Resolution ^A | 350 | 350 | km |
| Minimum Number of Horizontal ^A Wind Tracks ^B | 2 | 4 | - |
| Minimum Number of Collocated LOS Wind Measurements for Horizontal ^A Wind Calculation | 2 = pair | 2 = pair | - |
| Maximum Velocity Error ^C | | | |
| Above BL | 3 | 3 | m/s |
| In BL | 2 | 2 | m/s |
| Minimum Wind Measurement Coverage ^D | 50 | 50 | % |

^A Horizontal winds are not actually calculated; rather two LOS winds with appropriate angle spacing and collocation are measured for an “effective” horizontal wind measurement. The two LOS winds are reported to the user. ^B The 4 cross-track measurements do not have to occur at the same along-track coordinate; staggering is OK. ^C Error = 1 σ LOS wind random error, projected to a horizontal plane; from all lidar, geometry, pointing, atmosphere, signal processing, and sampling effects. The true wind is defined as the linear average, over a 100 x 100 km box centered on the LOS wind location, of the true 3-D wind projected onto the lidar beam direction provided with the data. ^D Scored per vertical layer per LOS measurement not counting thick clouds



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Doppler Lidar Mission Compared to Rawinsonde Network

World rawinsonde network

850 worldwide locations (81 in USA)

average earth spacing = 775 km

average land spacing = 425 km

average coterminous USA spacing = 310 km

2/day launches

1700 rawinsonde launches/day

1700 vector wind profiles/day

Orbiting Hybrid Doppler Lidar System

2 vector wind profiles/350 km

2 vector wind profiles/48.5 s

3566 vector wind profiles/day



Factor of 2.1 more vector wind profiles

More evenly distributed including oceans and lakes

Quality and calibration knowledge

Consistent delivery and latency



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Tradeoffs

Coherent Detection Doppler Wind Lidar

Direct Detection Doppler Wind Lidar

Velocity measurement performance is a function of

$$\frac{E \times \sqrt{\text{PRF}} \times \sqrt{\text{Vert Res}} \times D^2 \times e^{-\left[\frac{1.1D\theta_{\text{MISAL}}}{\lambda}\right]^2}}{R^2}$$

$$\text{Velocity Error} \propto \frac{R}{D\sqrt{E \times \text{PRF} \times \text{Vert Res}}}$$

| Tradeoffs | Coherent | Direct |
|---|---|--|
| Vertical Resolution, VR Horizontal Resolution, HR Number Wind Tracks, WT | VR x HR / WT = constant | |
| | VR x VP ² = constant | |
| | HR x VP ² = constant | |
| | WT / VP ² = constant | |
| Velocity Performance, VP (Direct VP = velocity error) (Coherent VP = minimum backscatter requirement) | | |
| | PRF x VR X HR x VP ² / WT = constant | |
| | E ² x VR X HR x VP ² / WT = constant | E x VR X HR x VP ² / WT = constant |
| | D ⁴ x VR X HR x VP ² / WT = constant If $\theta_{\text{misal}} \times D = \text{constant}$ | D ² x VR X HR x VP ² / WT = constant |

Questions

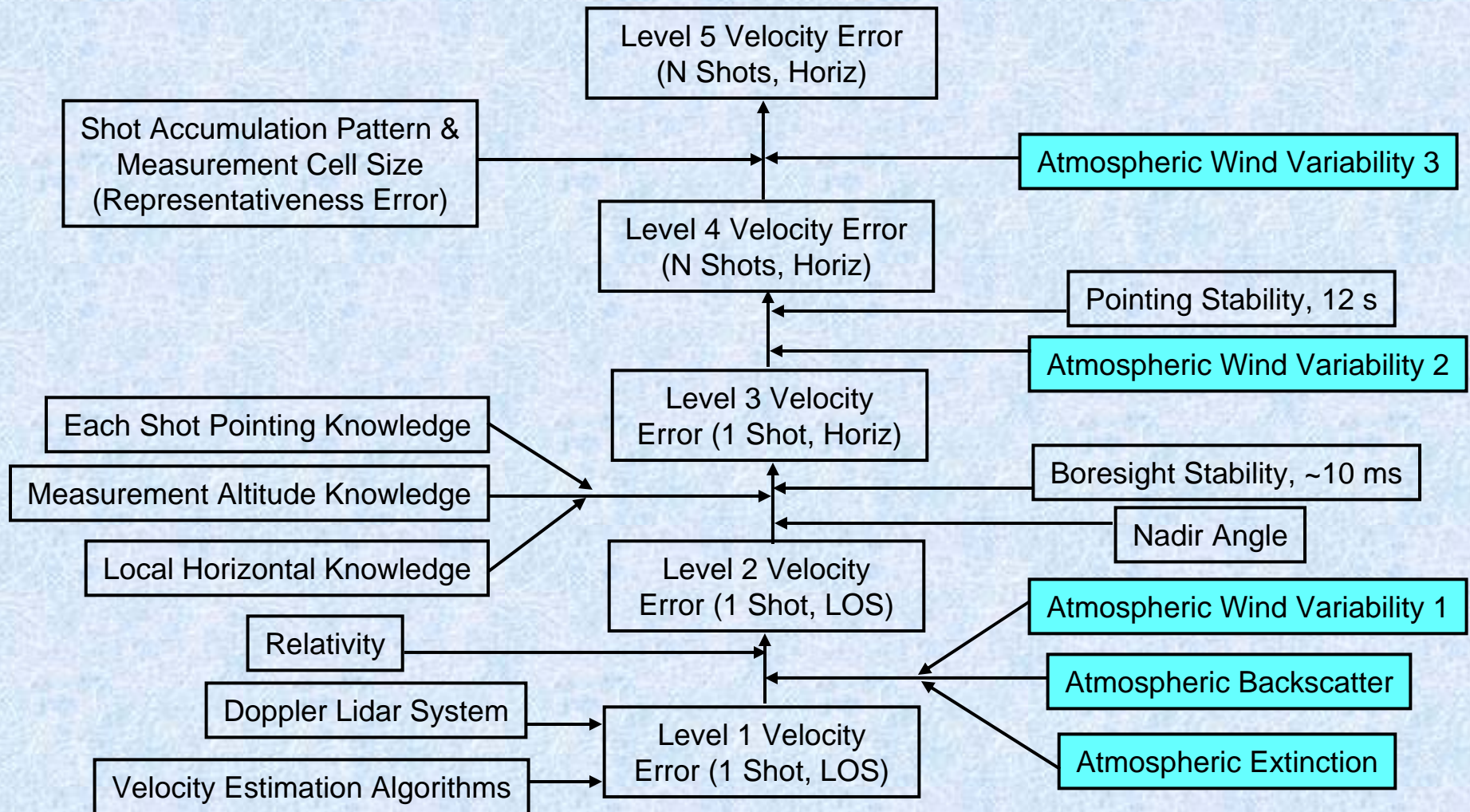




Backup Slides



LOS Velocity Error Budget





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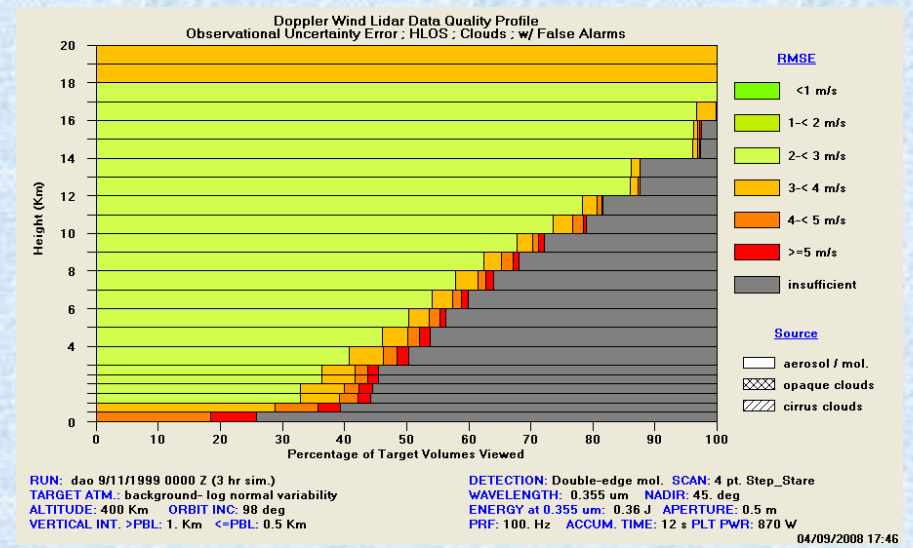
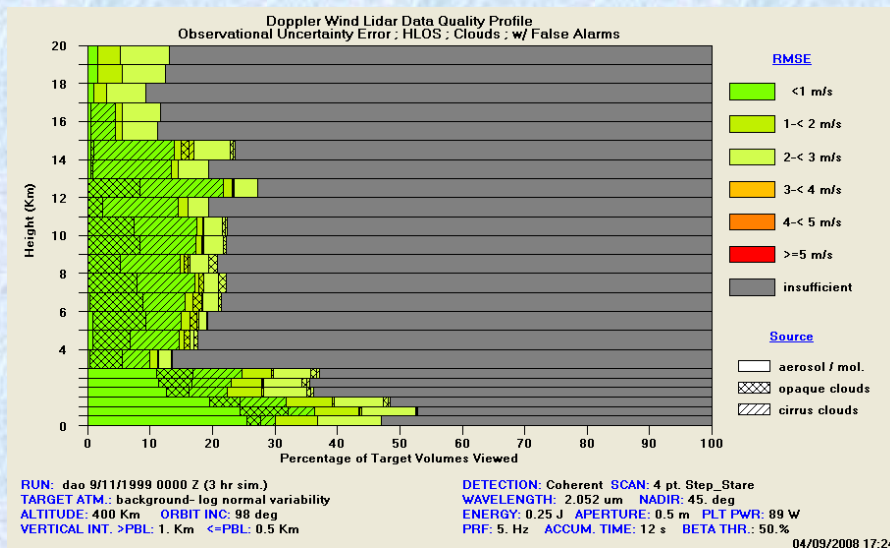
- Level 1 – Basic Doppler lidar system with processing algorithms
- Level 2 – Add atmospheric effects and relativity for single shot
- Level 3 – Add conversion to horizontal and correct tagging of measurement for user
- Level 4 – Add accumulation of N shots for one LOS profile
- Level 5 – Add sampling or representativeness error



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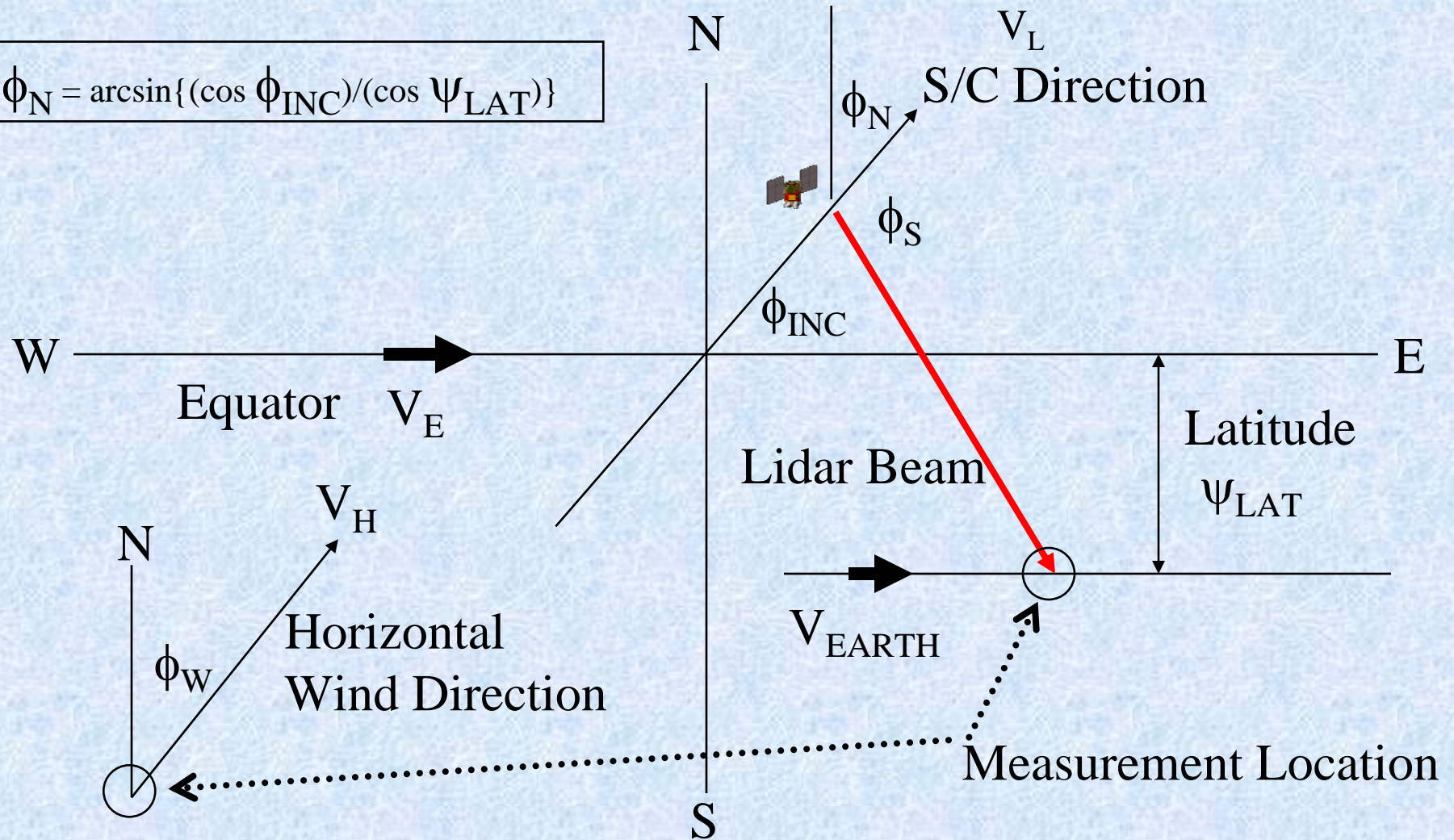




Orbiting Doppler Wind Lidar

Pointing Geometry - Top View

$$\phi_N = \arcsin\{(\cos \phi_{INC})/(\cos \psi_{LAT})\}$$





Orbiting Doppler Wind Lidar at 400 km

Pointing Geometry - Side View

$$\theta_T = \arcsin[(R_E + Z_L) \sin\theta_L / (R_E + Z_T)]$$

$$Z_L = 400 \text{ km}$$

$$\theta_L = 45 \text{ deg.}$$

$$Z_T = 0 \text{ km (example)}$$

$$\theta_T = 48.7 \text{ deg.}$$

$$V_L = 7676 \text{ m/s}$$

$$R_T = 585 \text{ km}$$

$$R_R = 414 \text{ km}$$

$$R_E = 6371 \pm 10.7 \text{ km}$$

