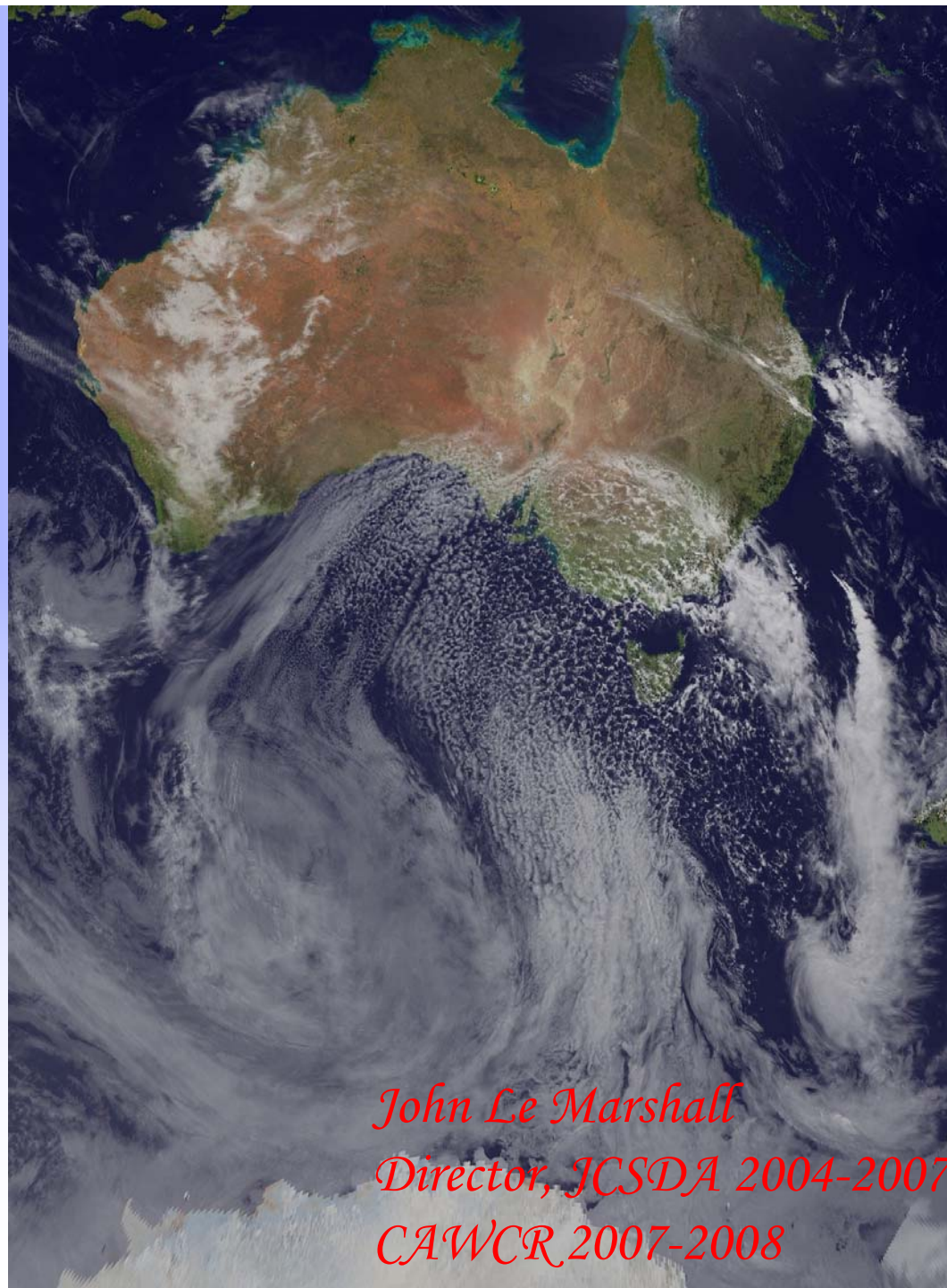




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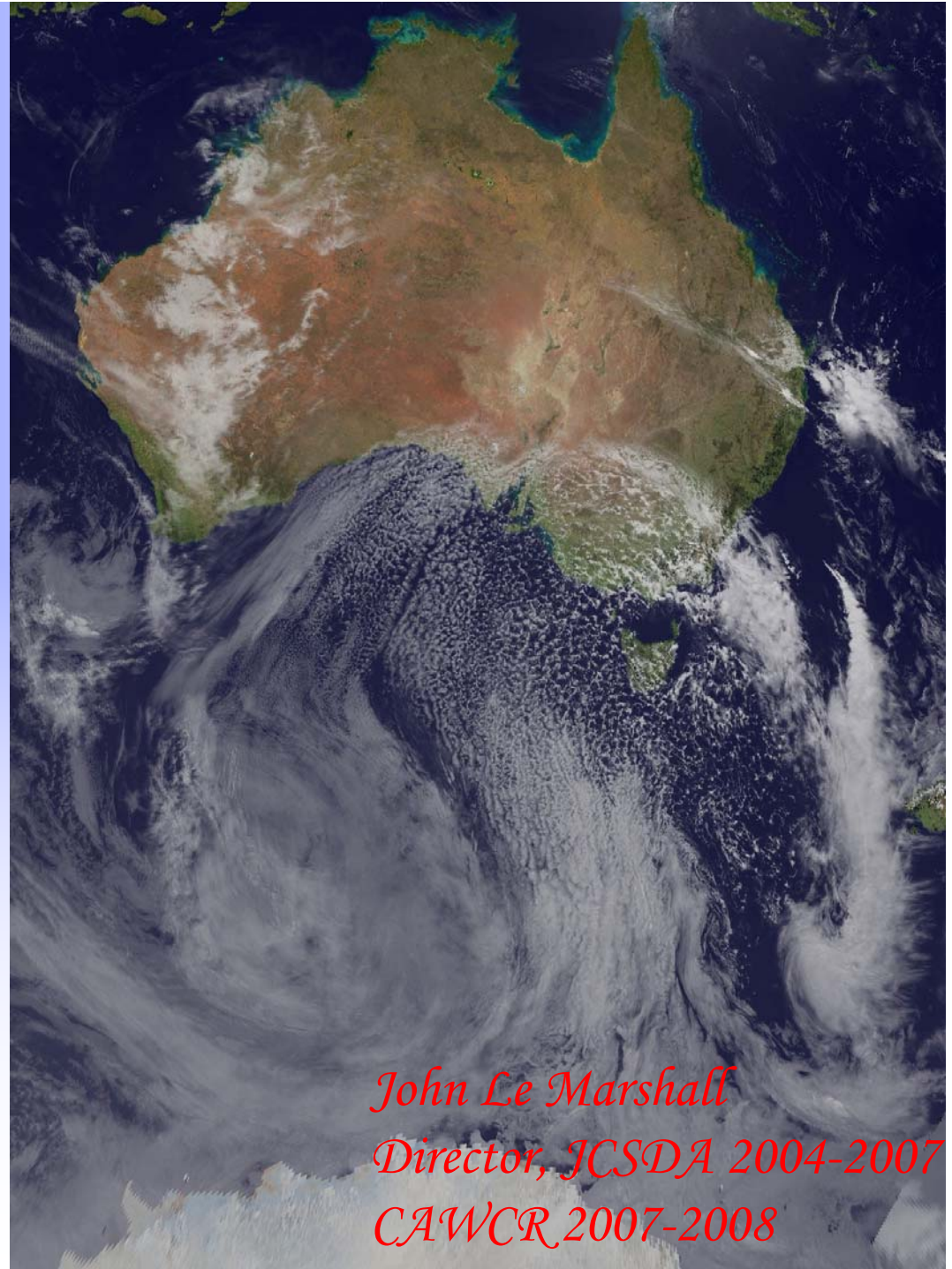


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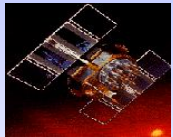
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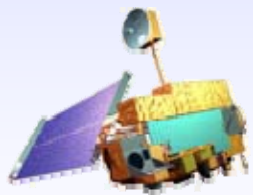
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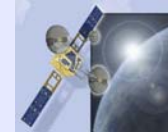
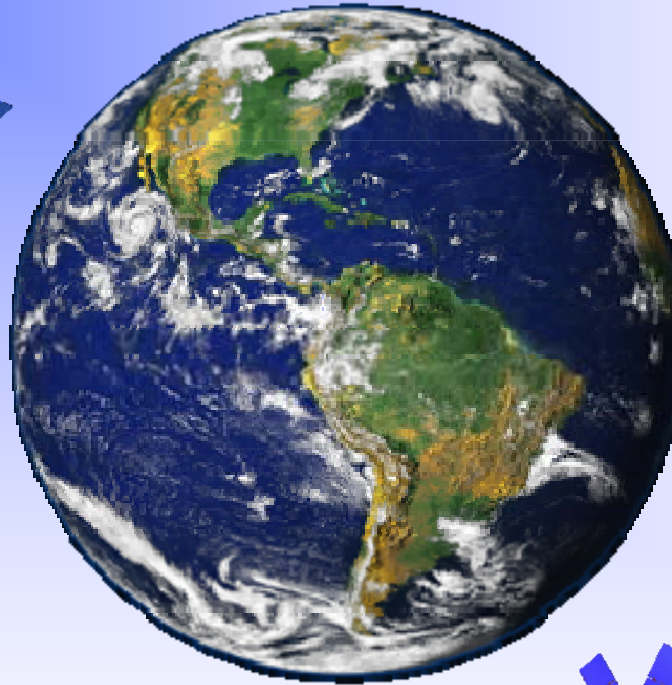
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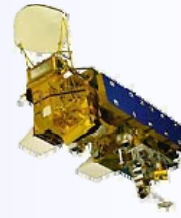
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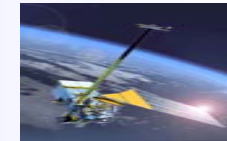
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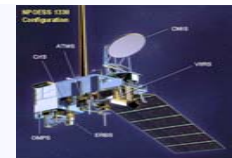
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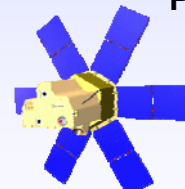
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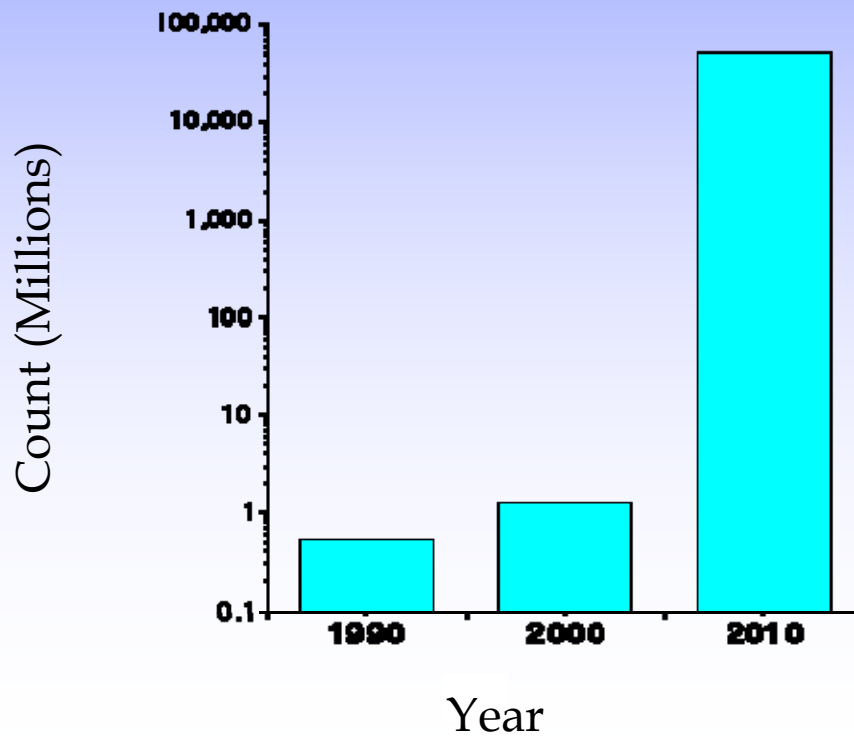
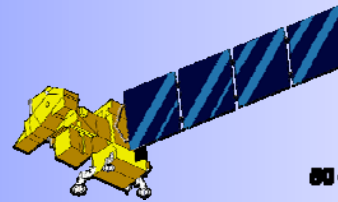
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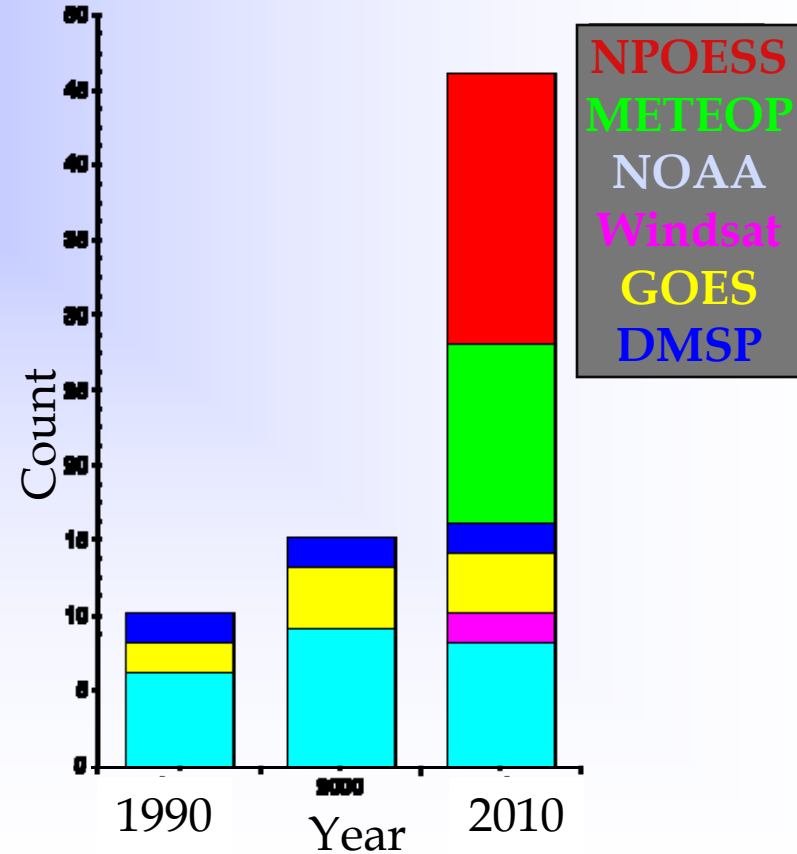
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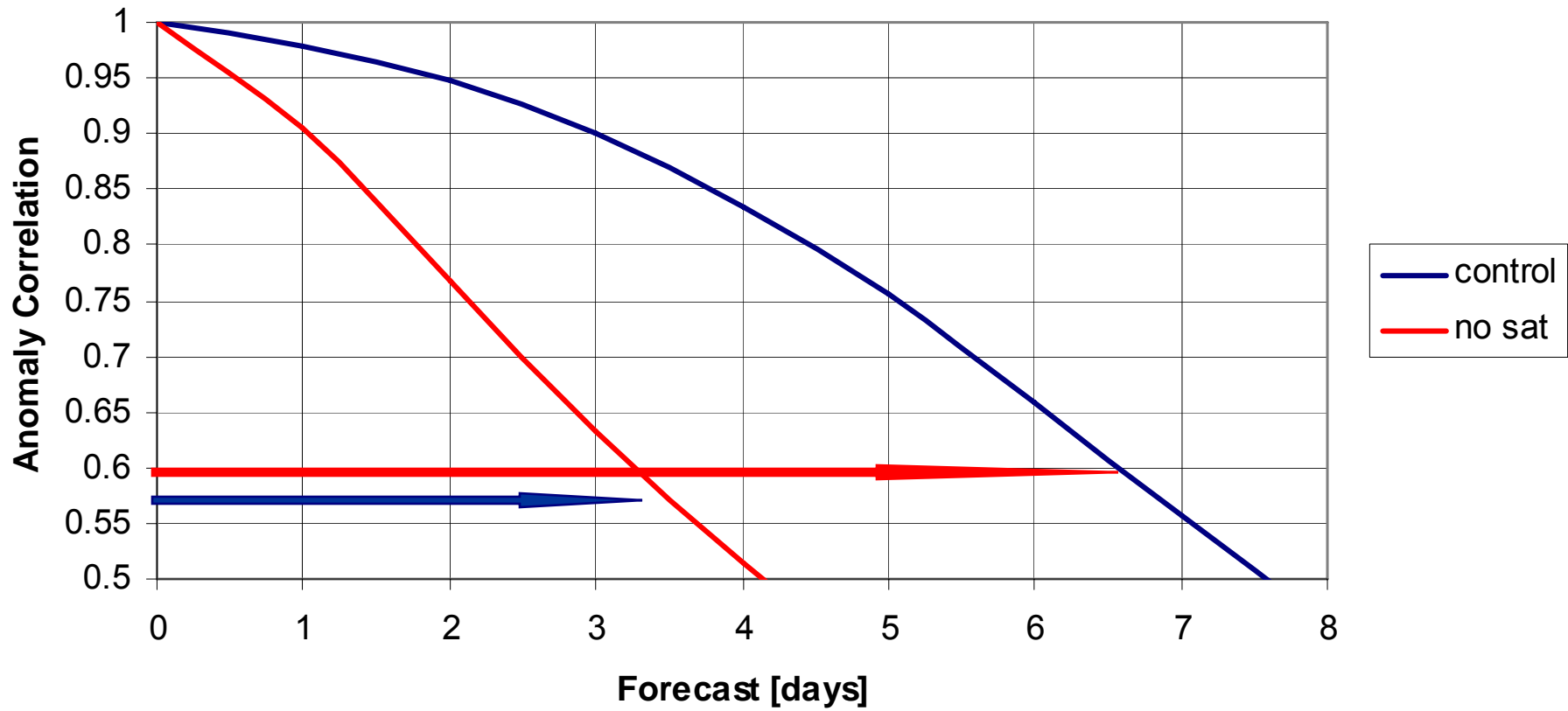
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Satellite Instruments by Platform



**S. Hemisphere 1000 mb AC Z
20S - 80S Waves 1-20
15 Aug - 20 Sep '03**



Anomaly correlation for days 0 to 7 for 500 hPa geopotential height in the zonal band 20°-80° for January/February. The red arrow indicate use of satellite data in the forecast model has doubled the length of a useful forecast.



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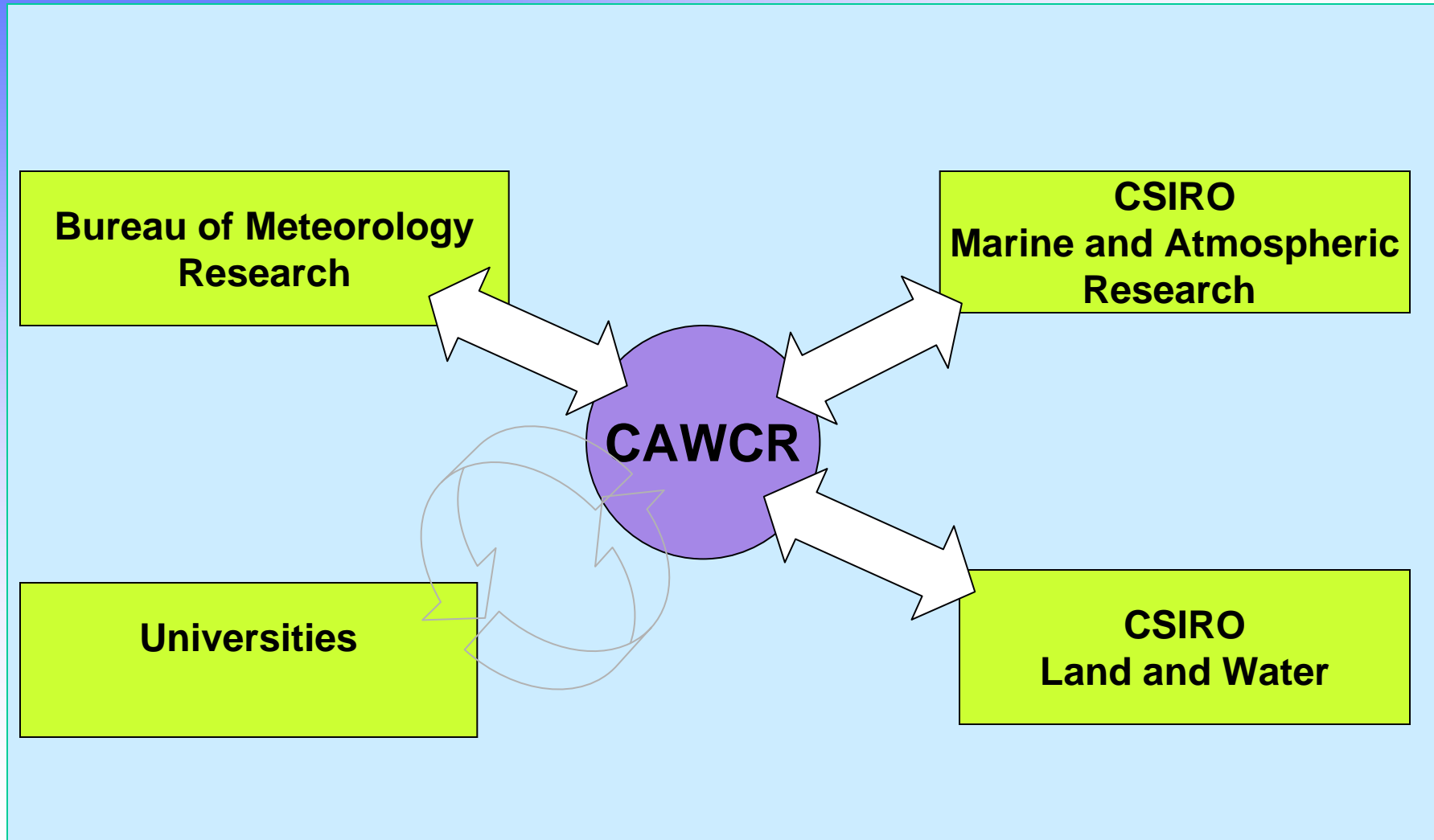
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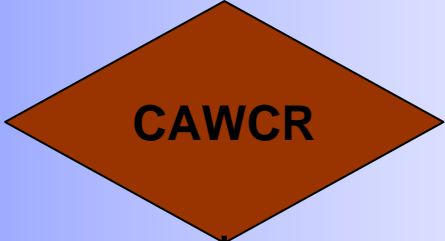
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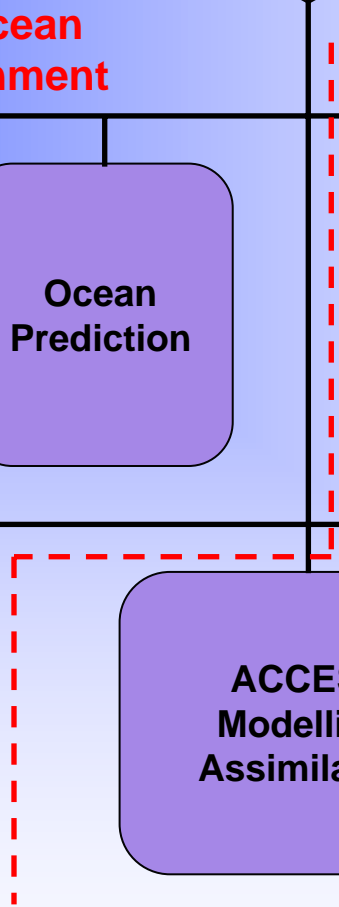
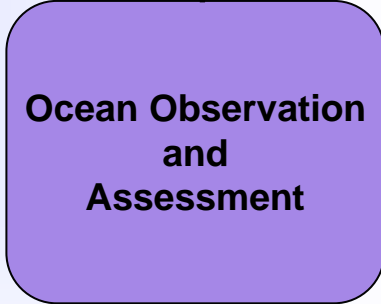
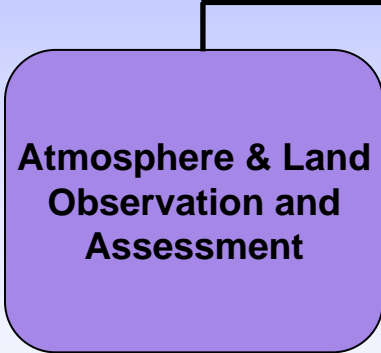
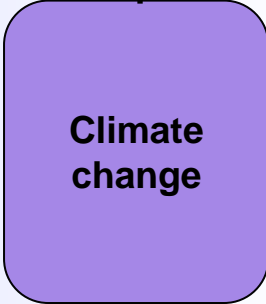
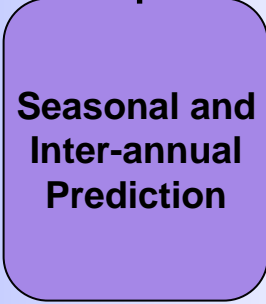
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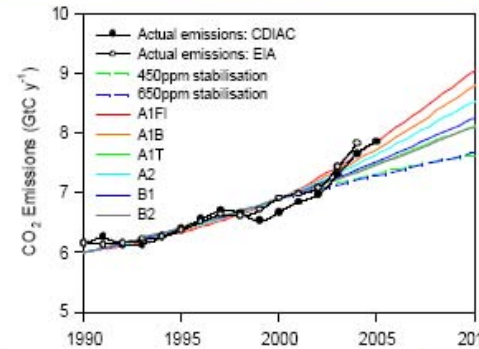
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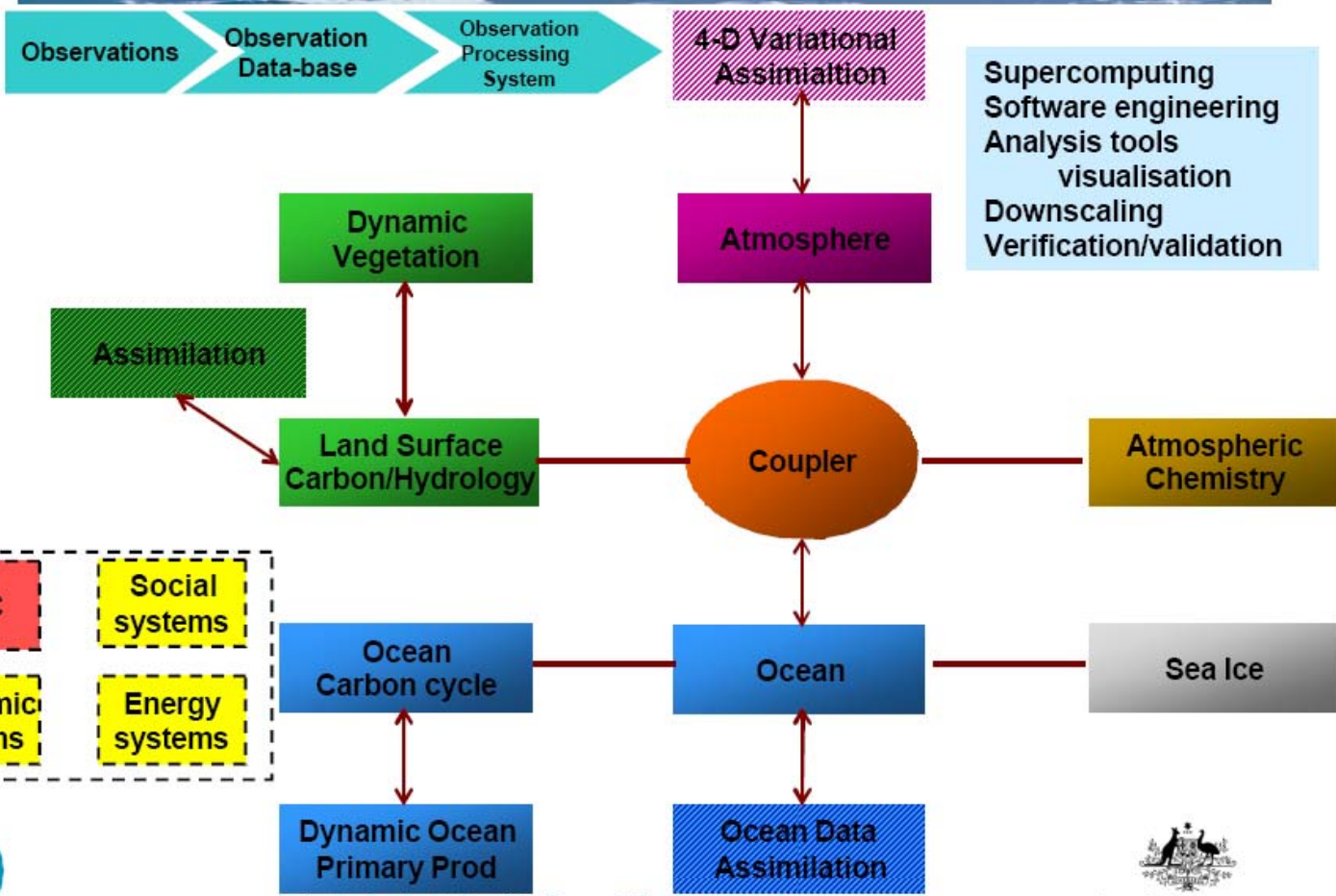
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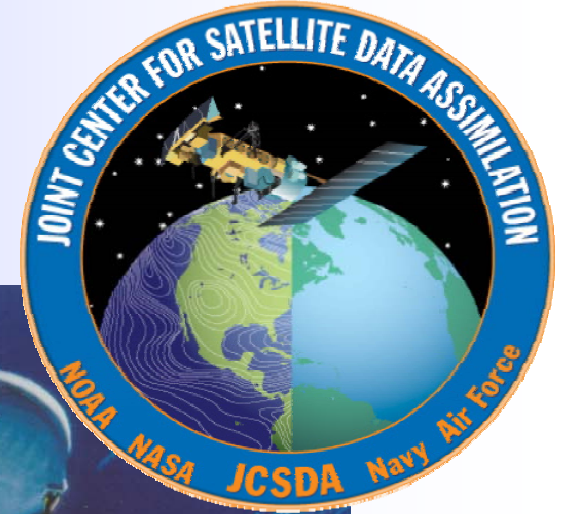


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**SOME RECENT
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OBSERVING SYSTEM EXPERIMENTS

**OBSERVING SYSTEM EXPERIMENTS
WITH
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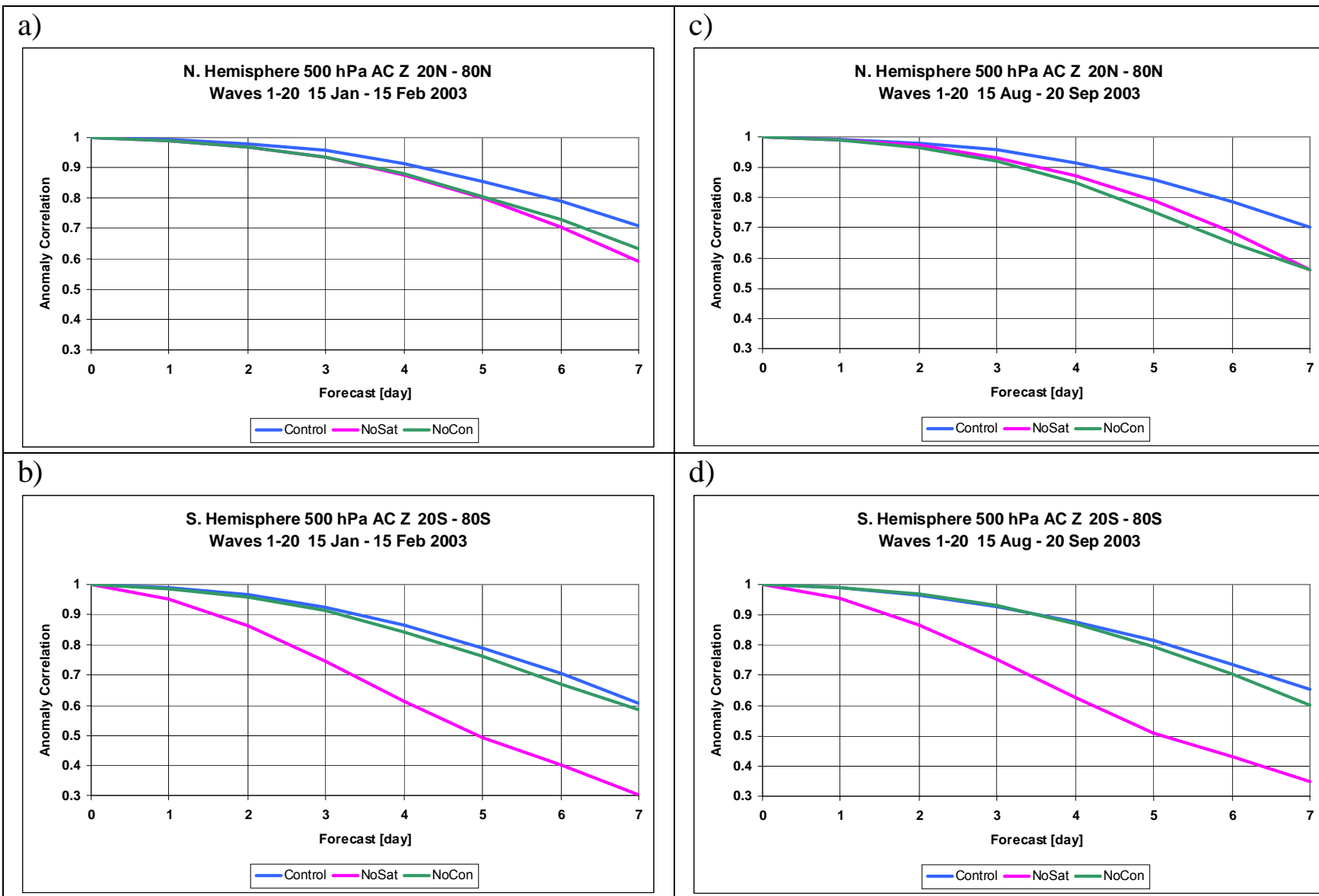


Fig. 6. Anomaly correlation for days 0 to 7 for 500 hPa geopotential height in the zonal band 20°-80° for each Hemisphere and season. The control simulation is shown in blue, while the NoSat and NoCon denial experiments are shown in magenta and green, respectively.

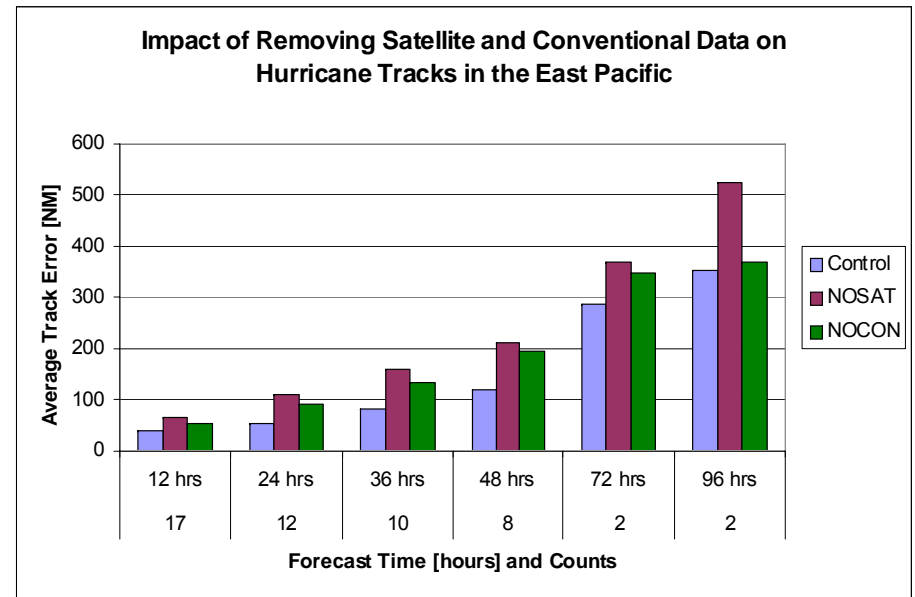
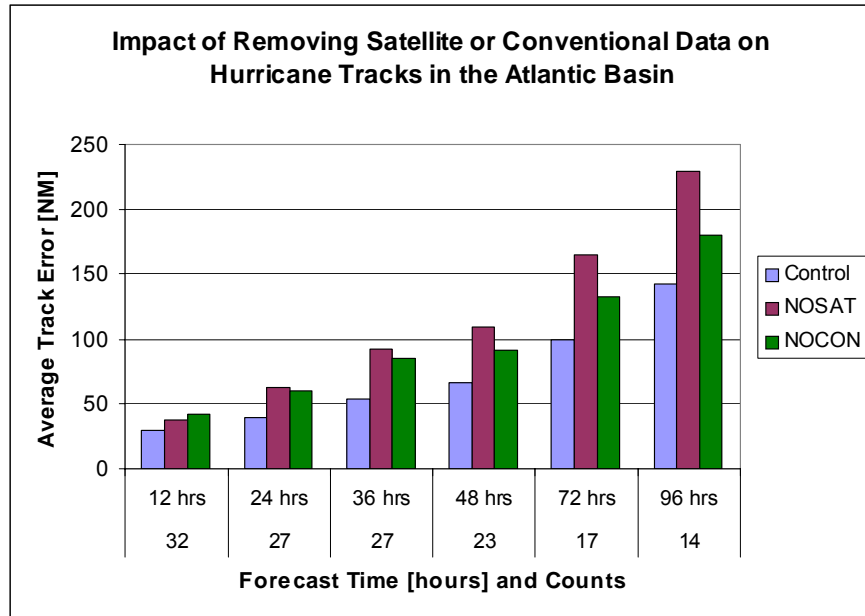
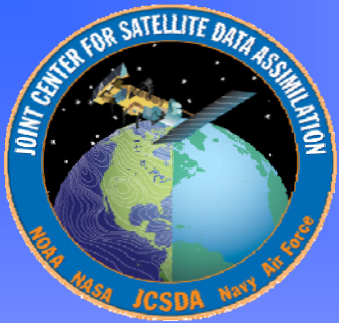


Fig. 7 The impact of removing satellite and in-situ data on hurricane track forecasts in the GFS during the period 15 August to 20 September 2003. Panels (a and b) show the average track error (NM) out to 96 hours for the control experiment and the NoSat and NoCon denials for the Atlantic and Pacific Basins, respectively.



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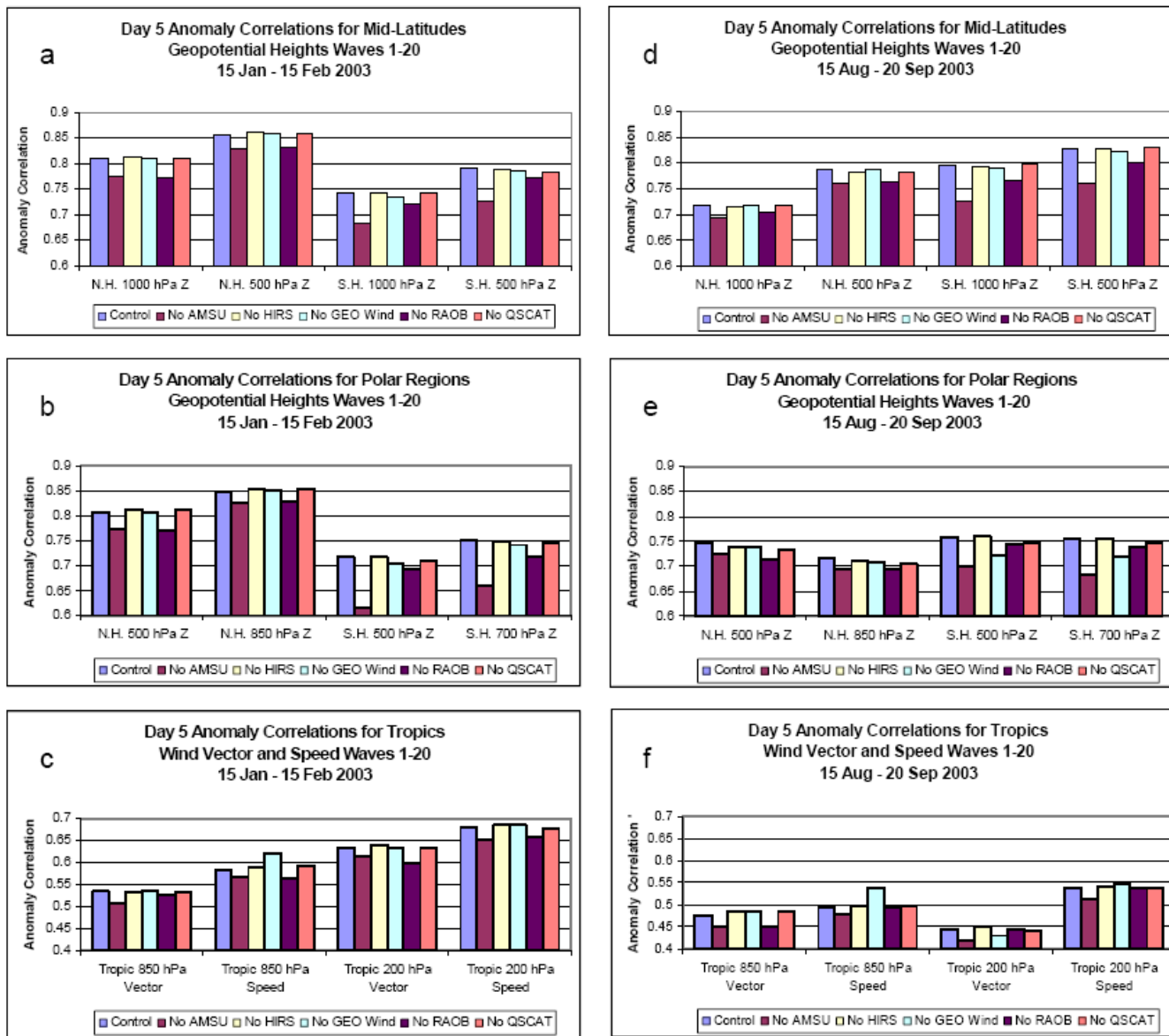


Fig. 8 The day 5 anomaly correlations for waves 1-20 for the (a and d) mid-latitudes, (b and e) polar regions and (c and f) tropics. Experiments shown for each term include, from left to right, the control simulation and denials of AMSU, HIRS, GEO winds, Rawinsondes and QuikSCAT. The 15 January to 15 February 2003 results are shown in the left column and the 15 August to 20 September results are shown in the right column. Note the different vertical scale in (c and f).

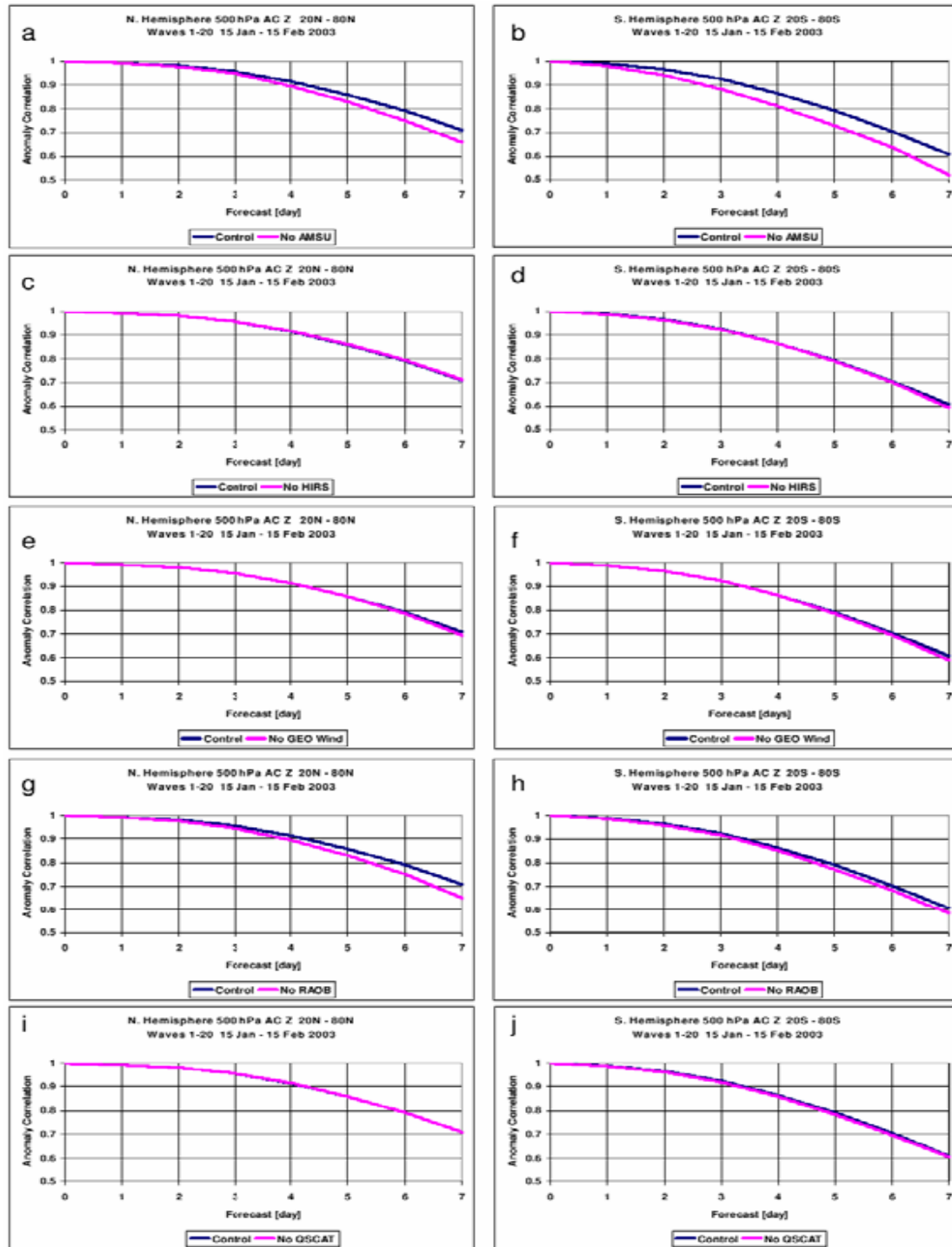


Fig. 9. The 15 January to 15 February 2003 day 0-7 500 hPa geopotential height die-off curves for the control and five denial experiments. The Northern Hemisphere results are shown in the left panels and the Southern Hemisphere results are shown in the right panels.

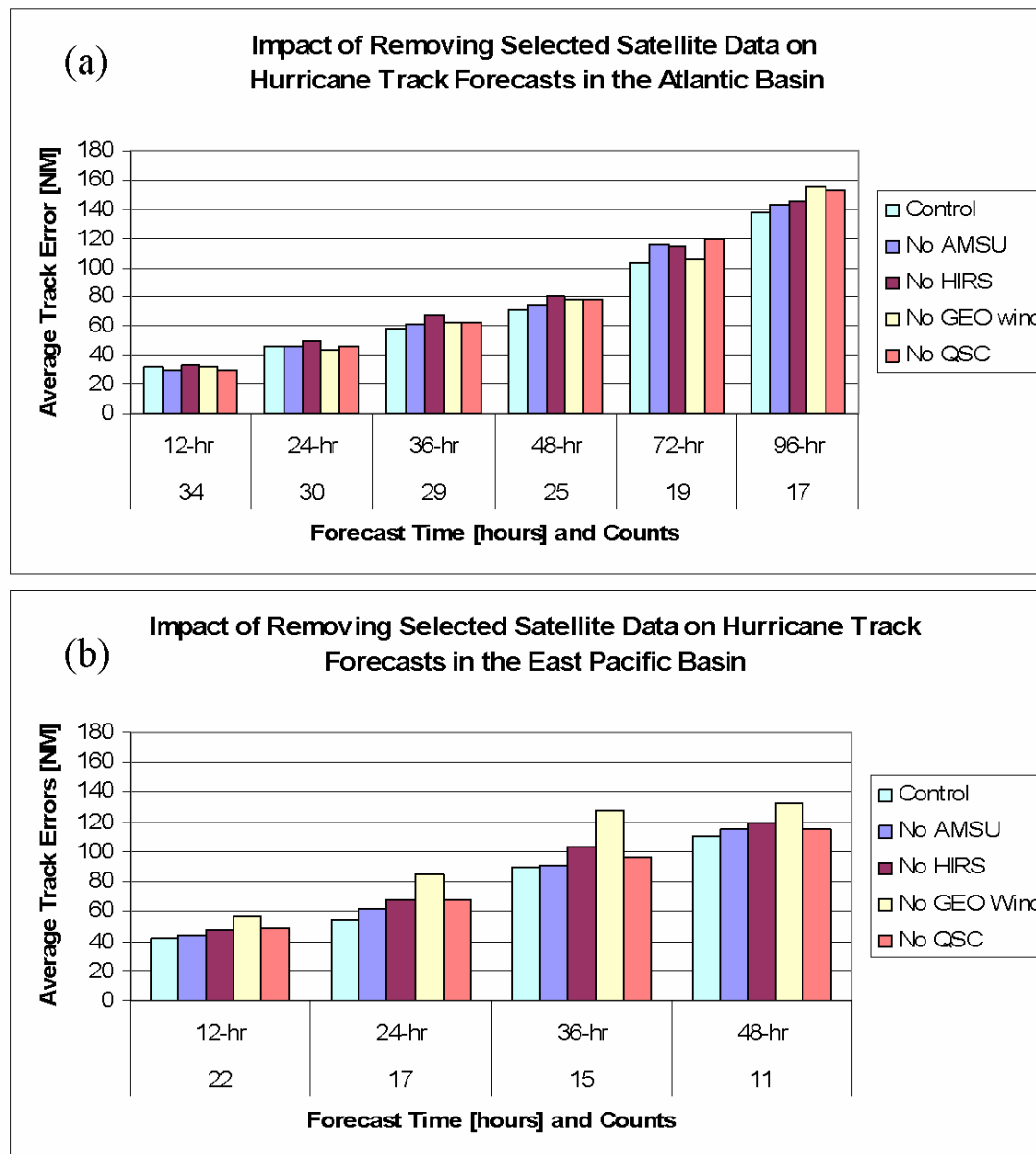


Fig. 10. Average track error (NM) by forecast hour for the control simulation and experiments where AMSU, HIRS, GEO winds and QuikSCAT were denied. The Atlantic Basin results are shown in (a), and the Eastern Pacific Basin results are shown in (b). A small sample size in the number of hurricanes precludes presenting the 96 hour results in the Eastern Pacific Ocean.



*MODIS Wind Assimilation
into the
NCEP Global Forecast System*

Global Forecast System Background

- Operational SSI (3DVAR) version used
- Operational GFS T254L64 with reductions in resolution at 84 (T170L42) and 180 (T126L28) hours. 2.5hr cut off



The Trial

- Winds assimilated only in second last analysis (later “final” analysis) to simulate realistic data availability.

*Table 1: Satellite data used operationally within the
GMAO/NCEP Global Forecast System*

HIRS sounder radiances AMSU-A sounder radiances AMSU-B sounder radiances GOES sounder radiances GOES 9,10,12, Meteosat atmospheric motion vectors GOES precipitation rate SSM/I ocean surface wind speeds SSM/I precipitation rates	TRMM precipitation rates ERS-2 ocean surface wind vectors Quikscat ocean surface wind vectors AVHRR SST AVHRR vegetation fraction AVHRR surface type Multi-satellite snow cover Multi-satellite sea ice SBUV/2 ozone profile and total ozone
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Table 1: Comparison of radiosonde wind estimates with Terra and Aqua based MODIS AMVs, colocated within 150km over high latitudes for the period 5 May 2005 to 10 January 2006 inclusive, where the AMV QI ≥ 0.85 . [IR = 11 μ m based winds, WV = 6.7 μ m based winds and MMVD = mean magnitude of vector difference (ms^{-1})].

Type		AQUA IR	AQUA WV	TERRA IR	TERRA WV
Low 999- 700hPa	No. of Obs.	142	N/A	80	N/A
	MMVD (ms^{-1})	3.92	N/A	3.58	N/A
	RMS Vec. Diff. (ms^{-1})	4.57	N/A	4.02	N/A
	Speed Bias (ms^{-1})	-0.30	N/A	-0.03	N/A
Middle 699- 400HPa	No. of Obs.	342	558	287	485
	MMVD (ms^{-1})	4.38	4.34	4.20	4.30
	RMS Vec. Diff. (ms^{-1})	4.93	4.90	4.79	4.85
	Speed Bias (ms^{-1})	-1.01	-0.72	-0.35	-0.24
High 399- 150hPa	No. of Obs.	106	358	76	345
	MMVD (ms^{-1})	4.71	4.96	4.81	4.28
	RMS Vec. Diff. (ms^{-1})	5.22	5.55	5.26	4.83
	Speed Bias (ms^{-1})	-0.80	-0.65	-0.50	-0.34

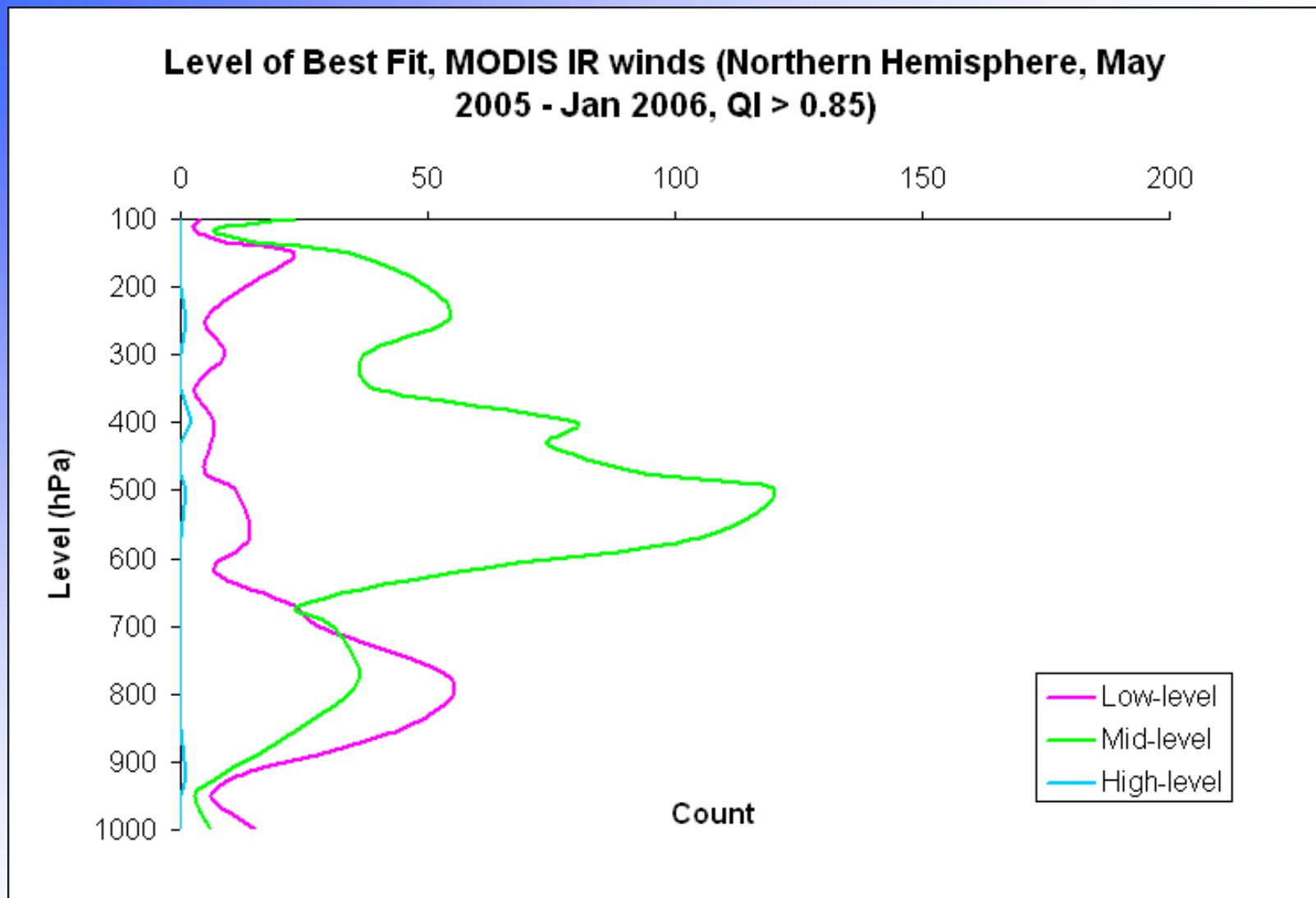


Fig 1 (a) Distribution of levels of best fit compared to a collocated radiosonde profile for AMVs with pressure altitudes in the ranges 500 ± 50 hPa (Mid-level), 300 ± 50 hPa (High level) and , 850 ± 50 hPa (Low level). In all cases, the AMV QI is in the range 0.85 to 1.0.

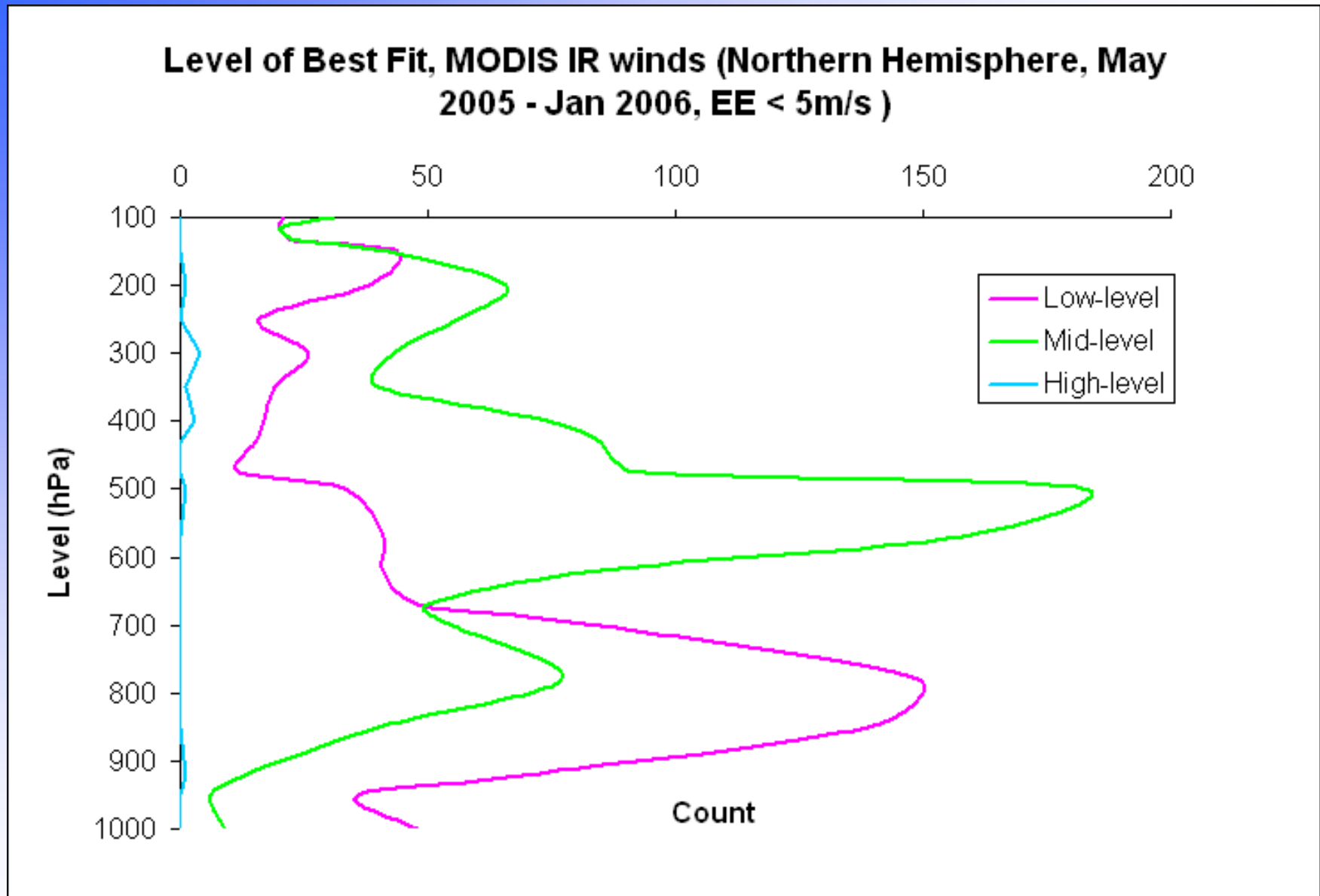


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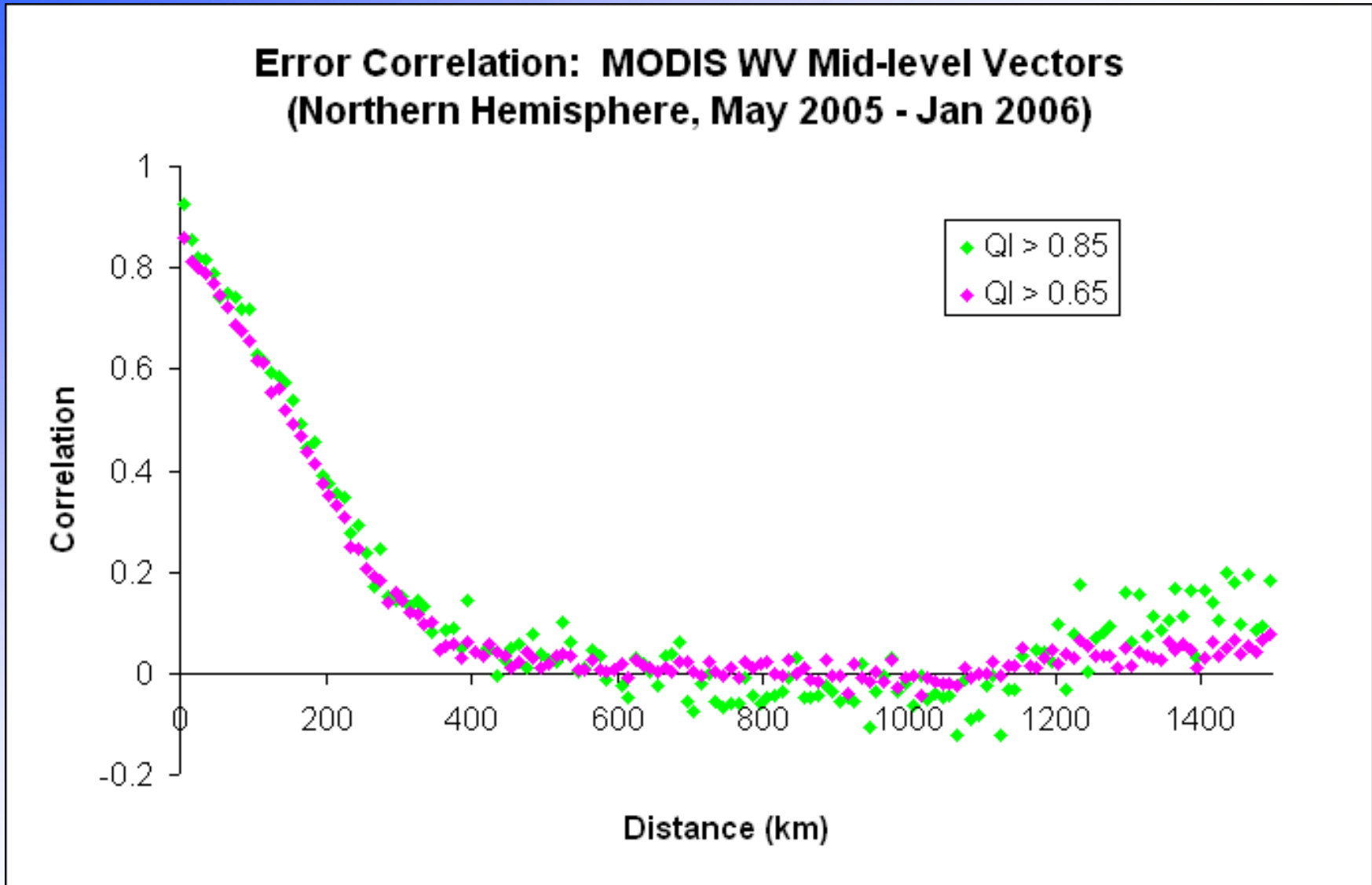


Fig. 2 (a) Error Correlation versus distance (using 10 km bins), determined by comparison with radiosonde winds, for MODIS WV Mid-level Vectors (Northern Hemisphere, May 2005 – Jan 2006)

Table 2 (a) Parameters of the SOAR function (Equation 1) which best model the measured error correlations for the MODIS AMV types listed in the left column of the table. (QI = 0.65 to 1)

Type	R_{00}	R_0	L (km)	Corr. Err. (ms^{-1})	RMSD (ms^{-1})
Low IR	- 0.029	0.6 8	128. 9	3.01	4.51
Mid IR	- 0.010	0.8 2	113. 1	4.16	5.07
High IR	0.029	0.7 8	117. 7	4.28	5.49
Mid WV	0.010	0.8 5	95.3	4.29	5.05
High WV	- 0.051	0.9 1	107. 6	4.83	5.31

Table 2 (b) Parameter of the SOAR function (Equation 1) which best model the measured error correlations for the MODIS AMV types listed in the left column of the table. R_{00} is assumed to be 0. (QI = 0.65 to 1)

Type	R_{00}	R_0	L (km)	Corr. Err. (ms^{-1})	RMSD (ms^{-1})
Low IR	0	0.77	123.6	3.47	4.51
Mid IR	0	0.84	120.3	4.26	5.07
High IR	0	0.83	98.6	4.56	5.49
Mid WV	0	0.89	100.4	4.49	5.05
High WV	0	0.95	100.8	5.04	5.31

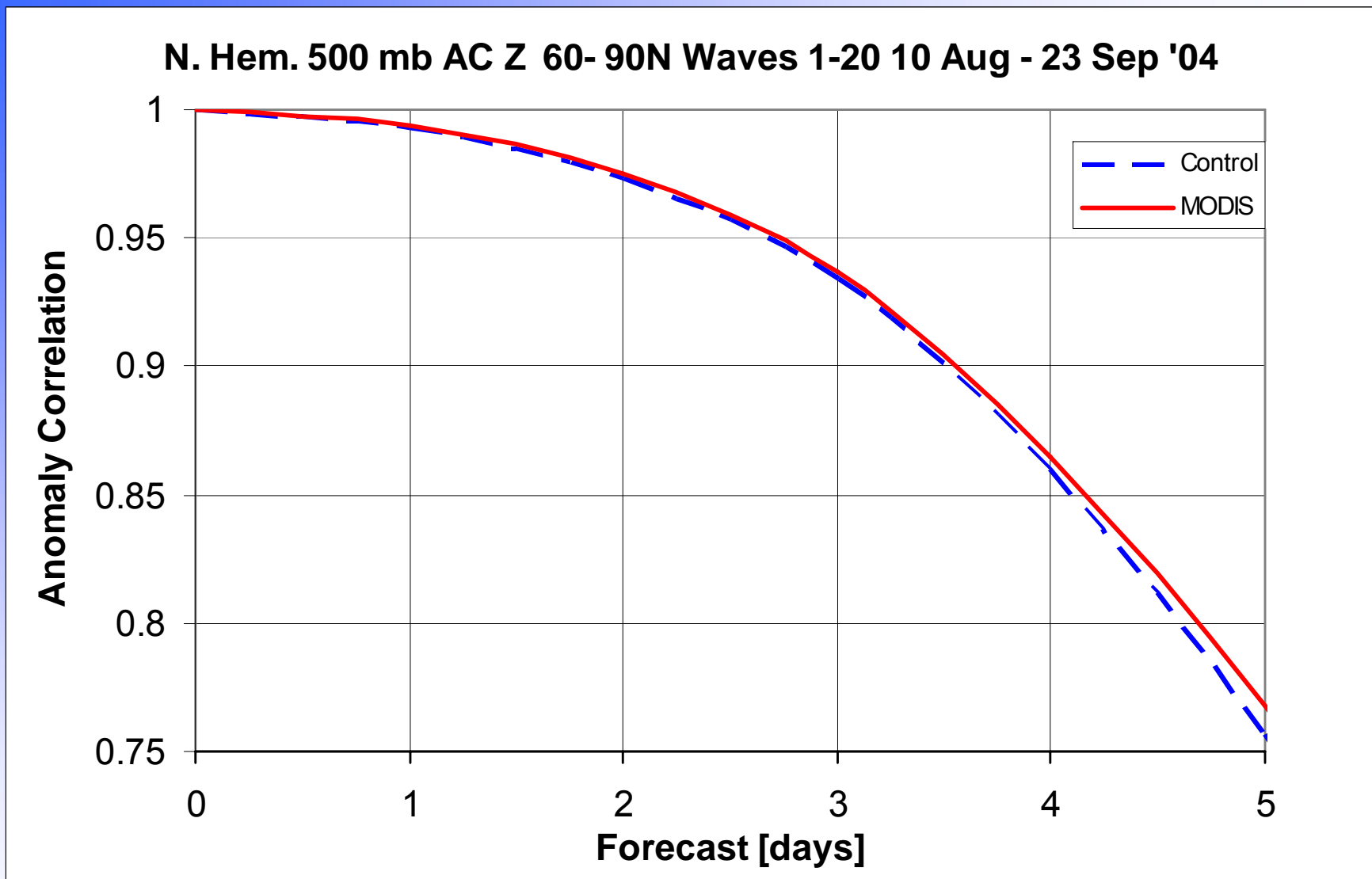


Fig. 3. The 500 hPa geopotential height Anomaly Correlation for the Northern Hemisphere polar Region (60° N – 90° N), for the GFS control and the GFS control including MODIS AMVs, for the period 10 August to 23 September 2004.

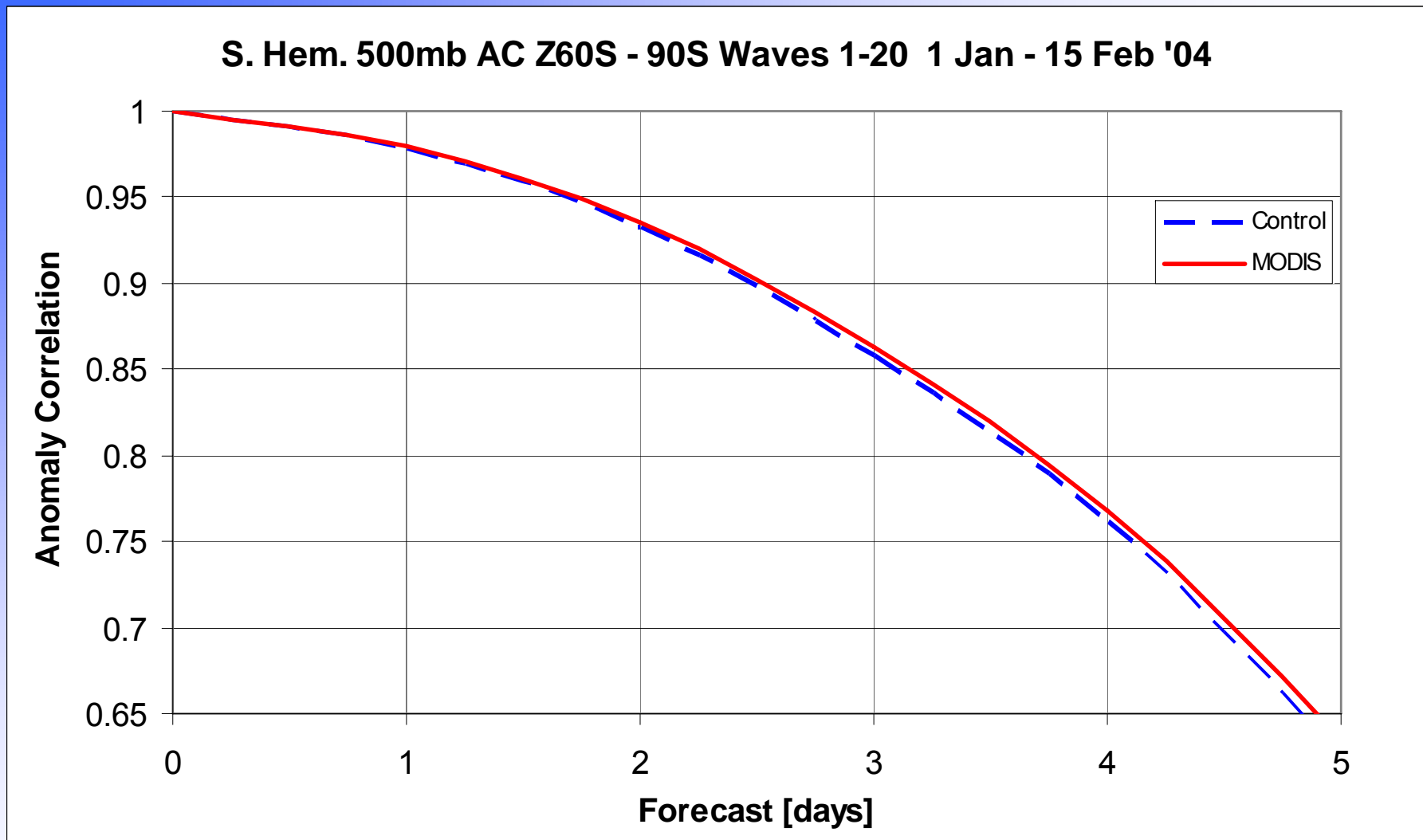


Fig. 5. The 500hPa geopotential height anomaly correlation for the Southern Hemisphere polar region (60° S – 90° S), for the GFS control and the GFS control including MODIS AMVs, for the period 1 January to 15 February 2004.

2004 ATLANTIC BASIN AVERAGE HURRICANE TRACK ERRORS (NM)

13.2	43.6	66.5	94.9	102.8	157.1	227.9	301.1	Cntrl
11.4	34.8	60.4	82.6	89.0	135.3	183.0	252.0	Cntrl + MODIS
74	68	64	61	52	46	39	34	Cases (#)
00-h	12-h	24-h	36-h	48-h	72-h	96-h	120-h	Time

Results compiled by Qing Fu Liu.

*The Contribution of Locally Generated
MTSat-1R Atmospheric Motion Vectors*

to

*Operational Meteorology
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MTSaT-1R IR1 AMVs

Uses 3 images separated by 15 min. or 60 min.

Uses H₂O intercept method for upper level AMVs (Schmetz et al., 1993) or Window Method.

Uses cloud base assignment for lower level AMVs (Le Marshall et al. 1997) or Window Method

Q.C. via EE, QI, ERR, RFF etc.

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Table 1. Real time schedule for MTSat-1R Atmospheric Motion Vectors at the Bureau of Meteorology. Sub-satellite image resolution, frequency and time of wind extraction and separations of the image triplets used for wind generation (ΔT) are indicated.

Wind Type	Resolution	Frequency-Times (UTC)	Image Separation
Real Time IR	4 km	6-hourly – 00, 06, 12, 18	15 minutes
Real Time IR (hourly)	4 km	Hourly – 00, 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, . . . , 23	1 hour

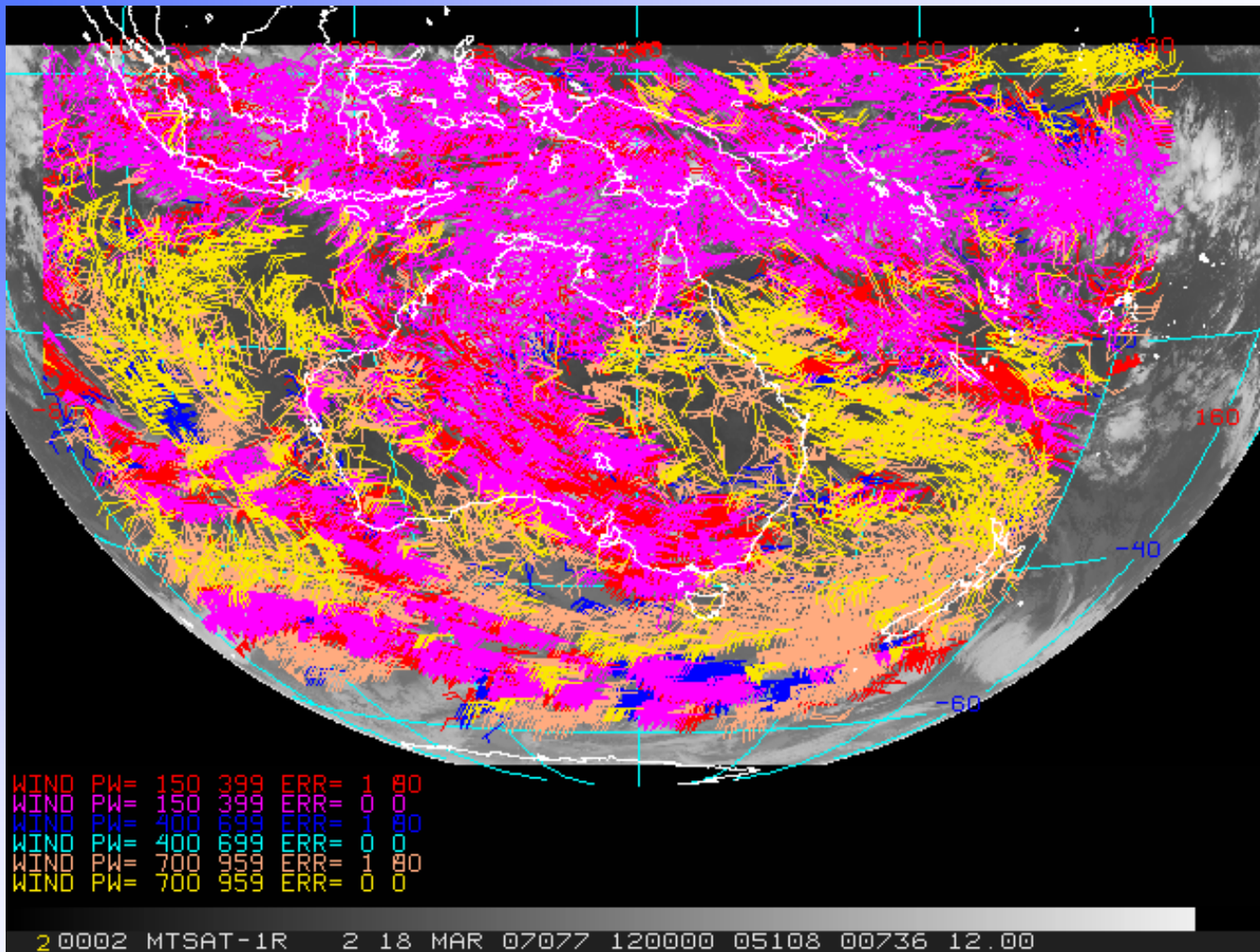


Fig. 1 (a) MTSat-1R AMVs generated around 12 UTC on 18 March 2007. Magenta denotes upper level tropospheric vectors, yellow, lower level tropospheric vectors

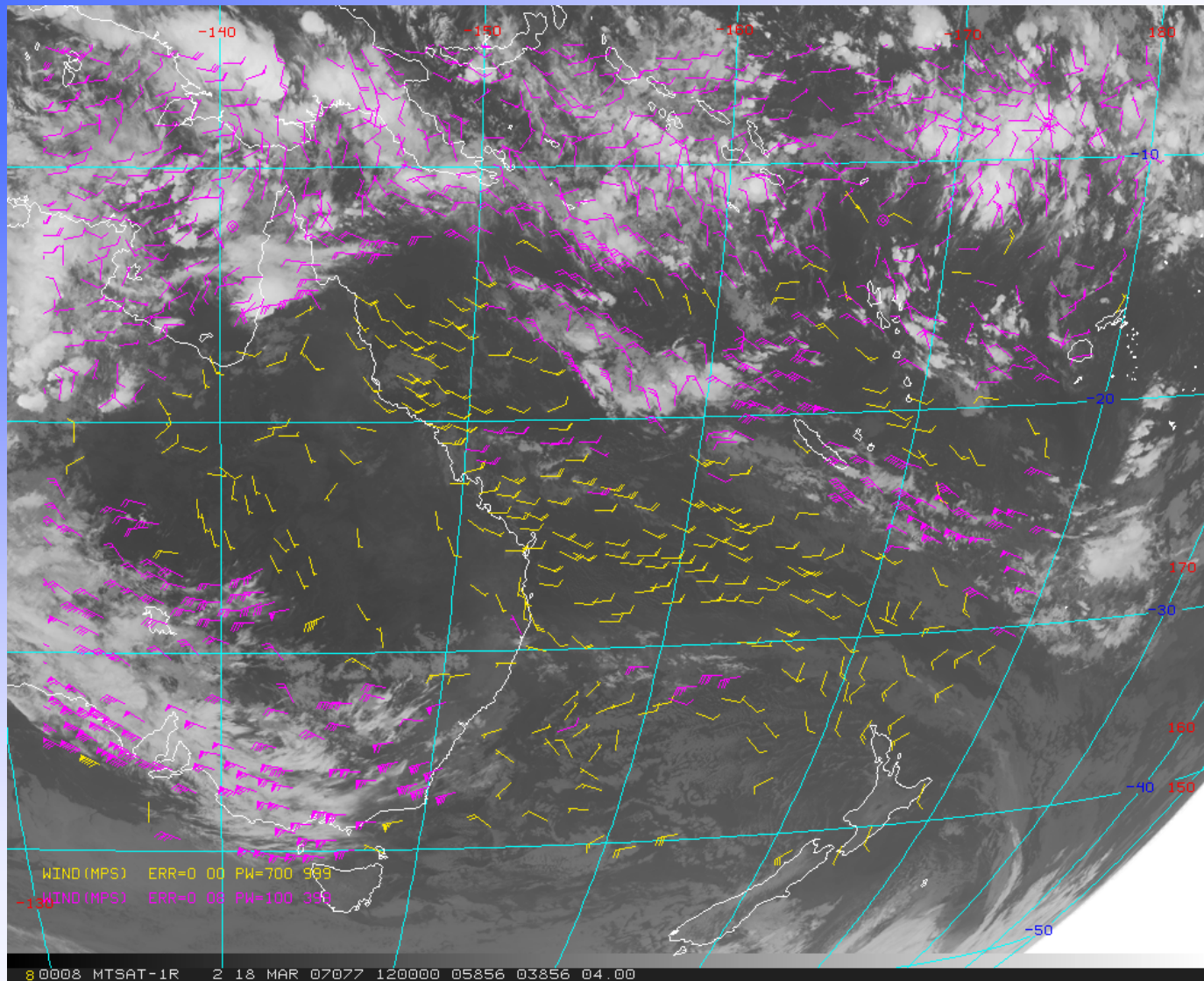
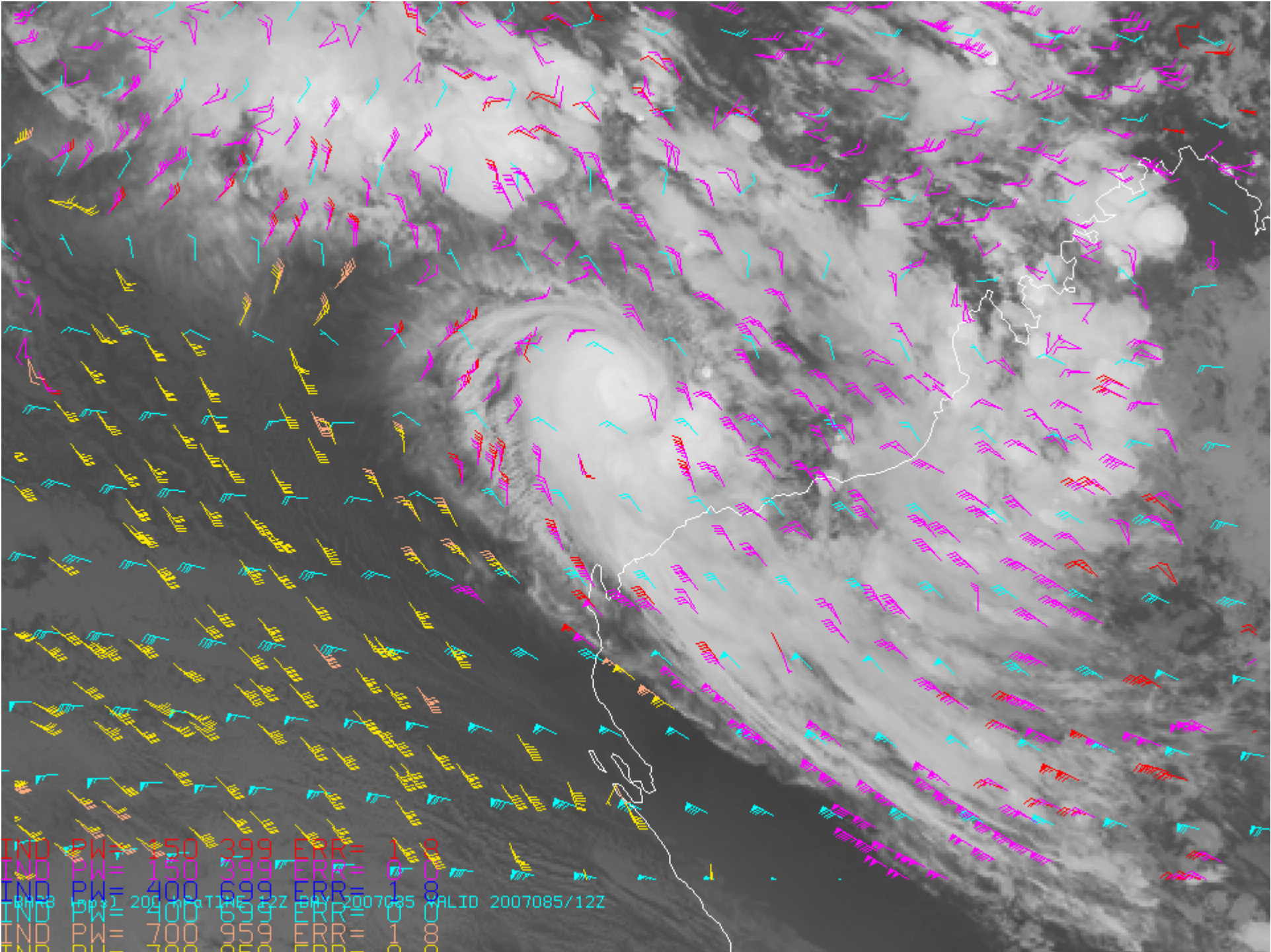
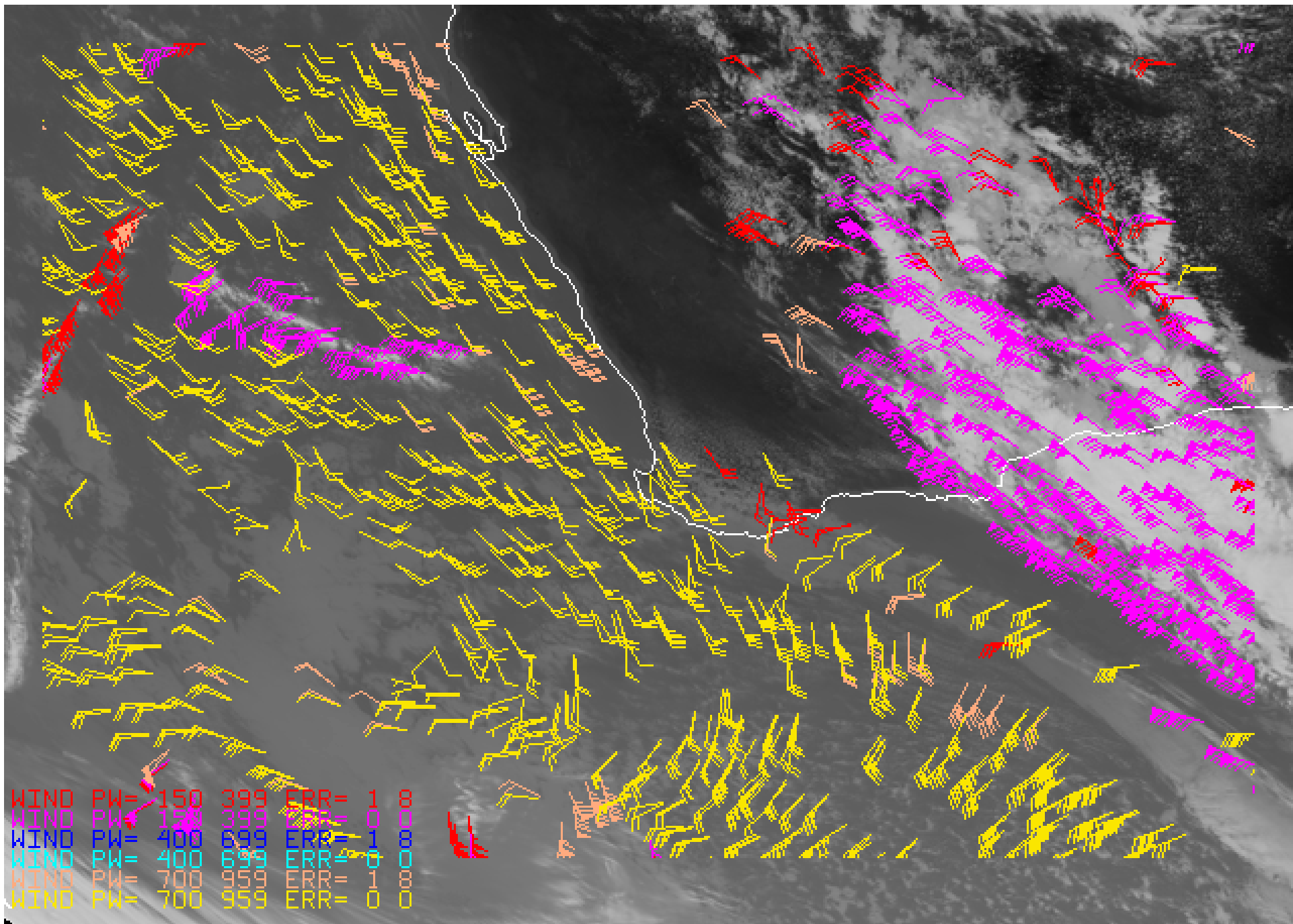


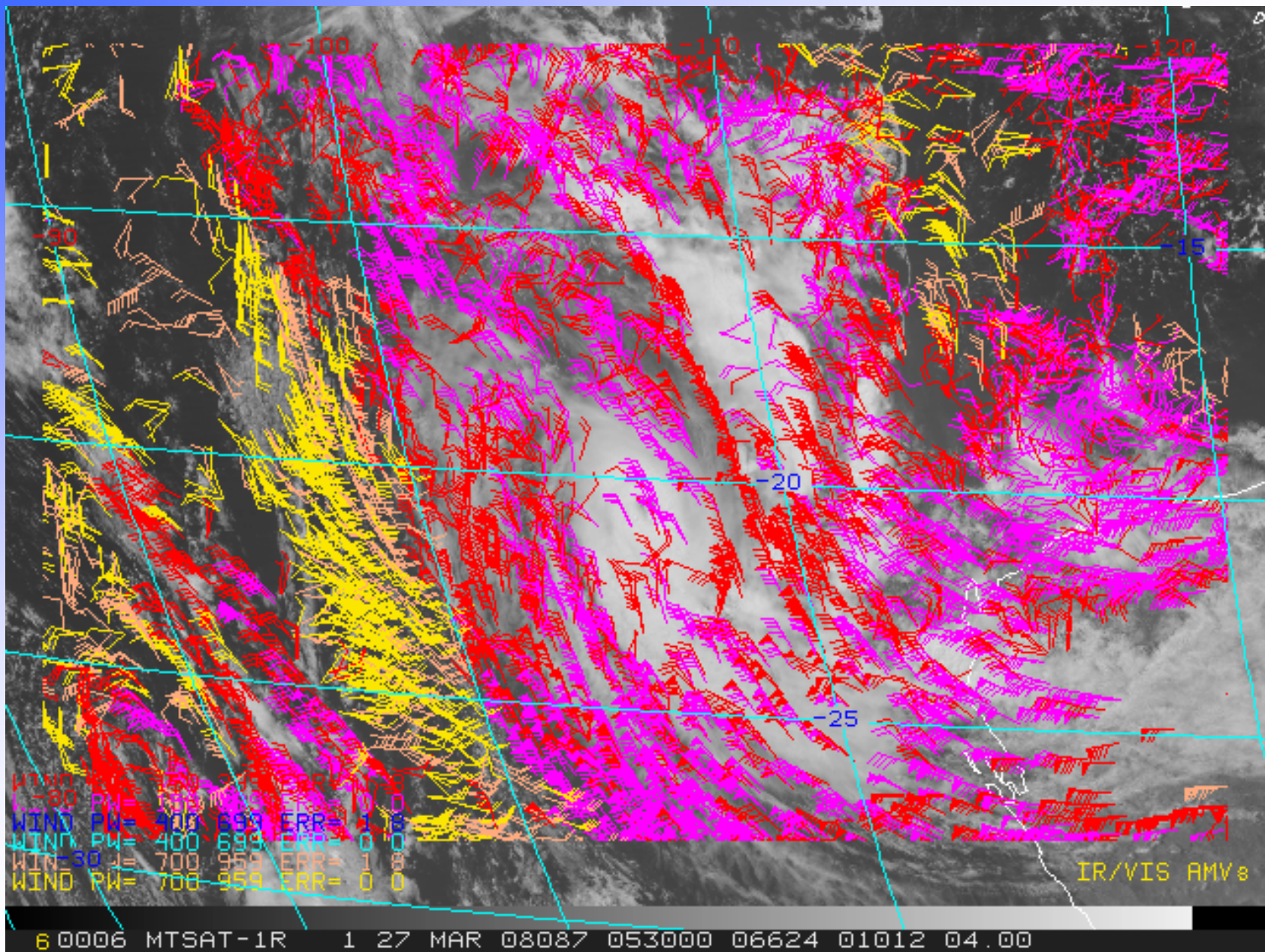
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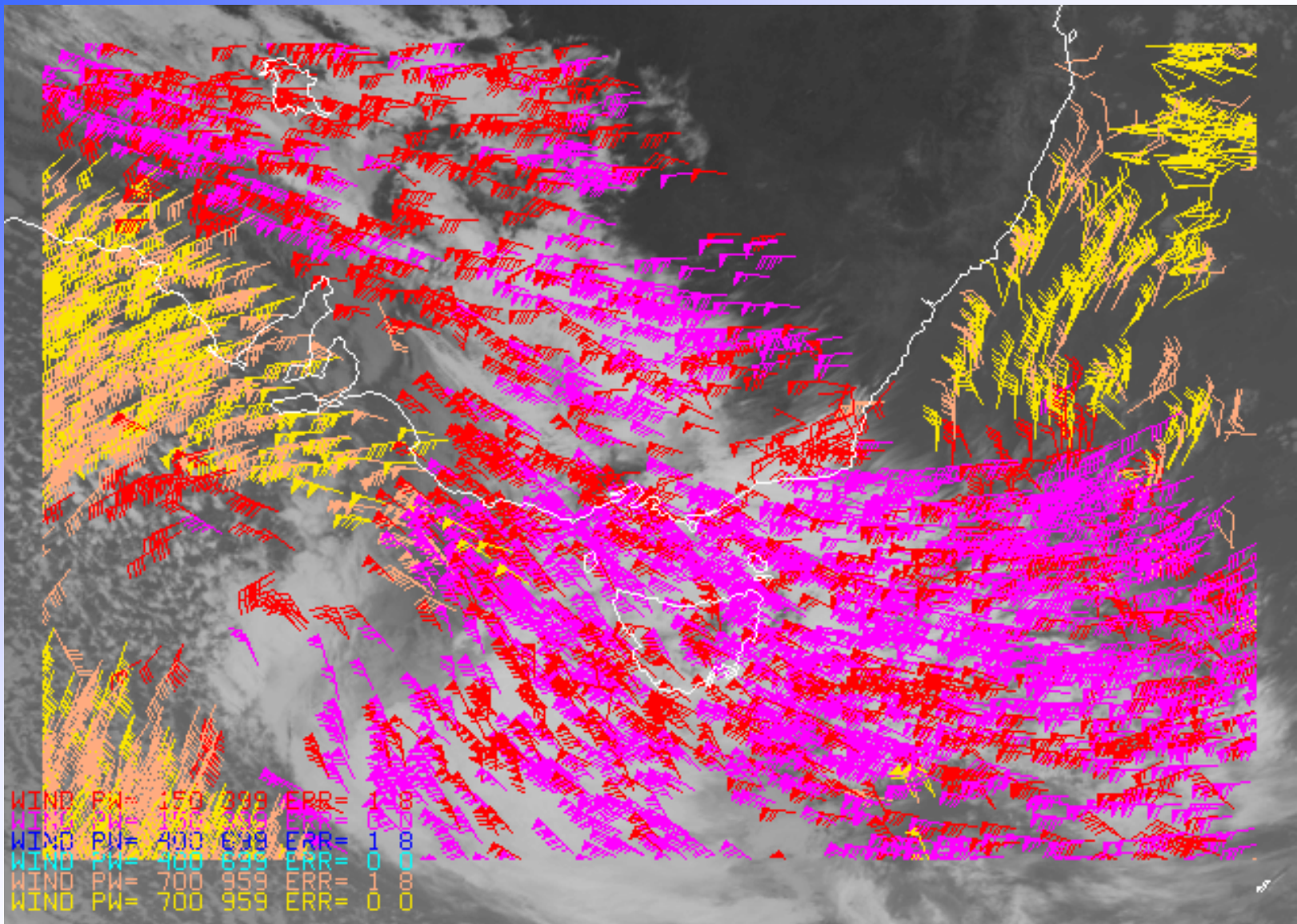


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*ERROR CHARACTERIZATION OF
ATMOSPHERIC MOTION VECTORS*

QUALITY CONTROL

QUALITY CONTROL

- Several components to quality control process

ERR: Wind data accepted and errors assigned, in conjunction with several rejection criteria, including :

- * Correlation between images
- * U acceleration
- * V acceleration
- * U component deviation from guess
- * V component deviation from guess
- *

QI

EXPECTED ERROR

Quality Control

(ERR)

Considers

Correlation between images

U acceleration

V acceleration

U deviation from first guess

V deviation from first guess

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Quality Indicator (QI)

Considers

Direction consistency (pair)

Speed consistency (pair)

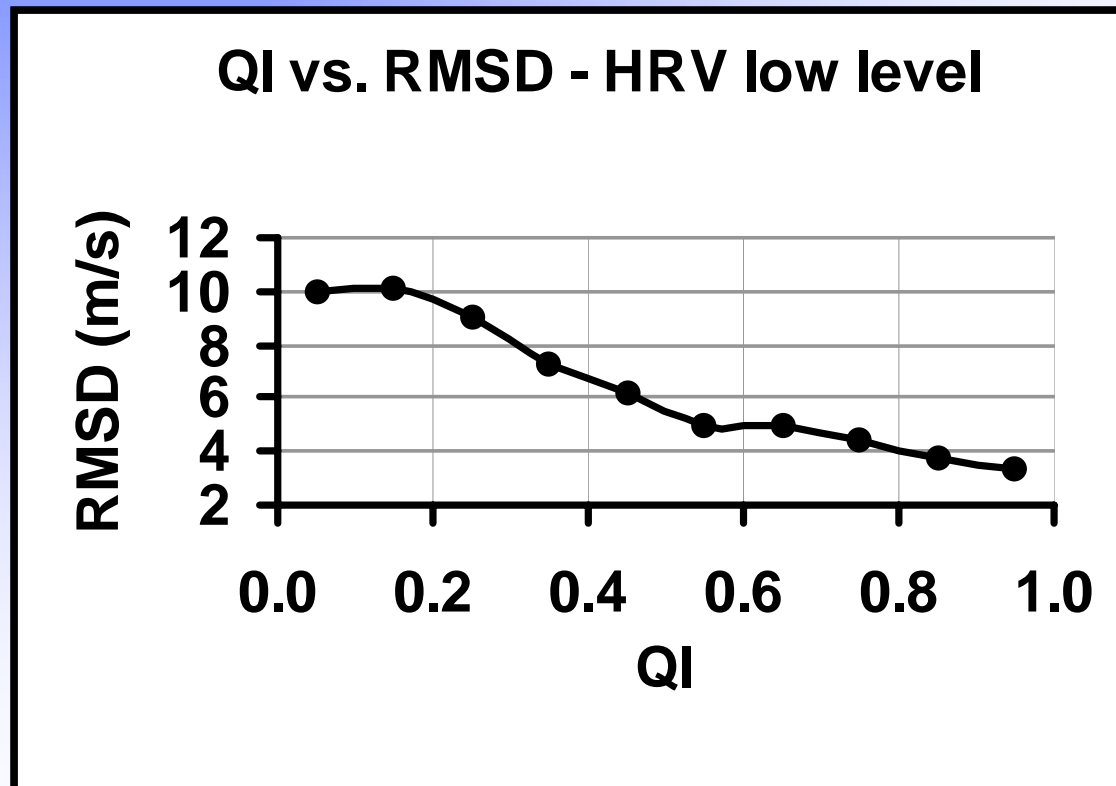
Vector consistency (pair)

Spatial Consistency

Forecast Consistency

$$QI = \frac{\sum w_i \cdot QV_i}{\sum w_i}$$

Fig.3. Quality Indicator (QI) versus root mean square difference (RMSD) with radiosondes within 150 km for low level high-resolution visible image based AMVs for 28 April, 2000 to 29 April 2001.



EE - provides RMS Error (RMS)

In current ops. currently estimated from:

the five QI components, wind speed vertical wind shear, temperature shear, pressure level which are used as predictands for root mean square error

Other statistical and physical calculation methods have been tested

EE (RMS Error (RMS))

Is inserted into current NESDIS BUFR
(in test mode) using

$$QualityFlag(EE) = (100 - 10.0 * EE)$$

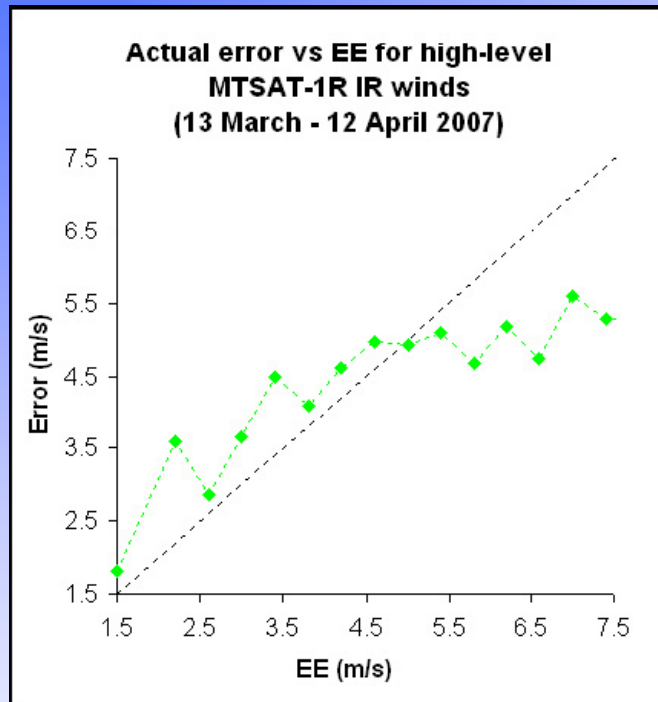


Fig. 2 (a) Measured error (m/s) versus EE for high-level MTSAT-1R IR winds (13 March - 12 April 2007)

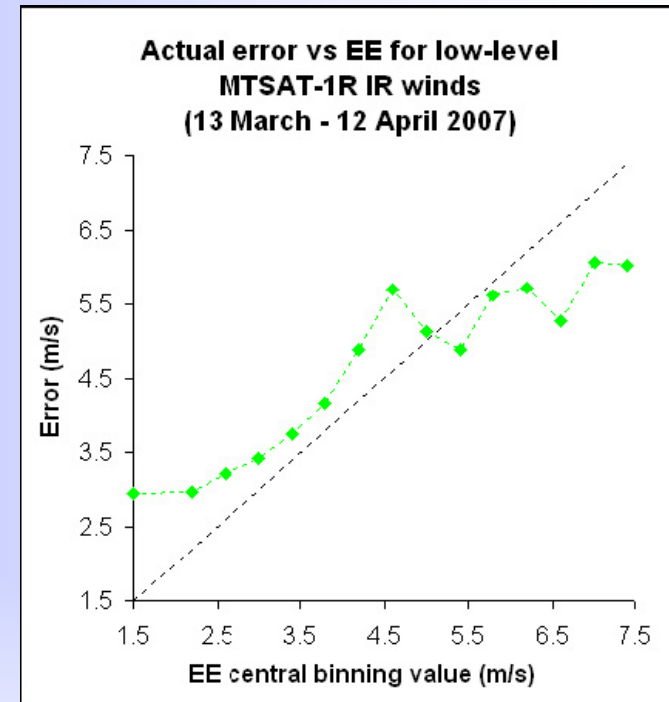


Fig. 2 (b) Measured error (m/s) versus EE for low-level MTSAT-1R IR winds (13 March - 12 April 2007)

Table 2. Mean Magnitude of Vector Difference (MMVD) between MTSat-1R AMVs, forecast model first guess and radiosonde winds within 150 km for March 2007

Level	No. of Obs	First Guess MMVD (ms⁻¹)	AMV MMVD (ms⁻¹)
Low 950 – 700 hPa	192	2.67	2.92
Middle 699 – 400 hPa	88	3.79	3.75
High 399 – 150 hPa	706	4.13	4.08

Table 5.2: AMV numbers and comparative errors in predicted error when selecting upper level WV AMVs (November 2002) using EE and QI. Vector samples here are chosen with average MMVD equal to 5 and 6 ms^{-1} respectively. (From Le Marshall et al. (2004a))

	EE	QI	EE	QI
Threshold	EE < 5.2	QI > .98	EE < 8.5	QI > .89
No. of matches	3156	514	7265	2863
Av. MMVD	5.00	5.00	6.0	6.0
Av. error in predicted error	3.17	5.24	3.25	4.31

Correlated Error

Correlated error

The correlated error has been analysed for the Bureau produced MTSat-1R winds. The methodology was similar to that followed previously (Le Marshall et al., 2004). The correlated error and its spatial variation (length scale) were determined using the Second Order Auto Regressive (SOAR) function :

$$\mathbf{R}(r) = \mathbf{R}_{00} + \mathbf{R}_0(1 + r/L) \exp (-r/L) \quad (2)$$

Where $\mathbf{R}(r)$ is the error correlation, \mathbf{R}_0 and \mathbf{R}_{00} are the fitting parameters (greater than 0), L is the length scale and r is the separation of the correlates. The difference between AMV and radiosonde winds (error) has been separated into correlated and non-correlated parts. A typical variation of error correlation with distance for MTSat-1R IR1 AMVs is seen in Figure 3, while the parameters of the SOAR function which best fits the observations are contained in Table 3.

Fig. 3 Error correlation versus distance (100 km bins) for low-level MTSat-1R AMVs with EE < 6 and 8 m/s (March – July 2007)

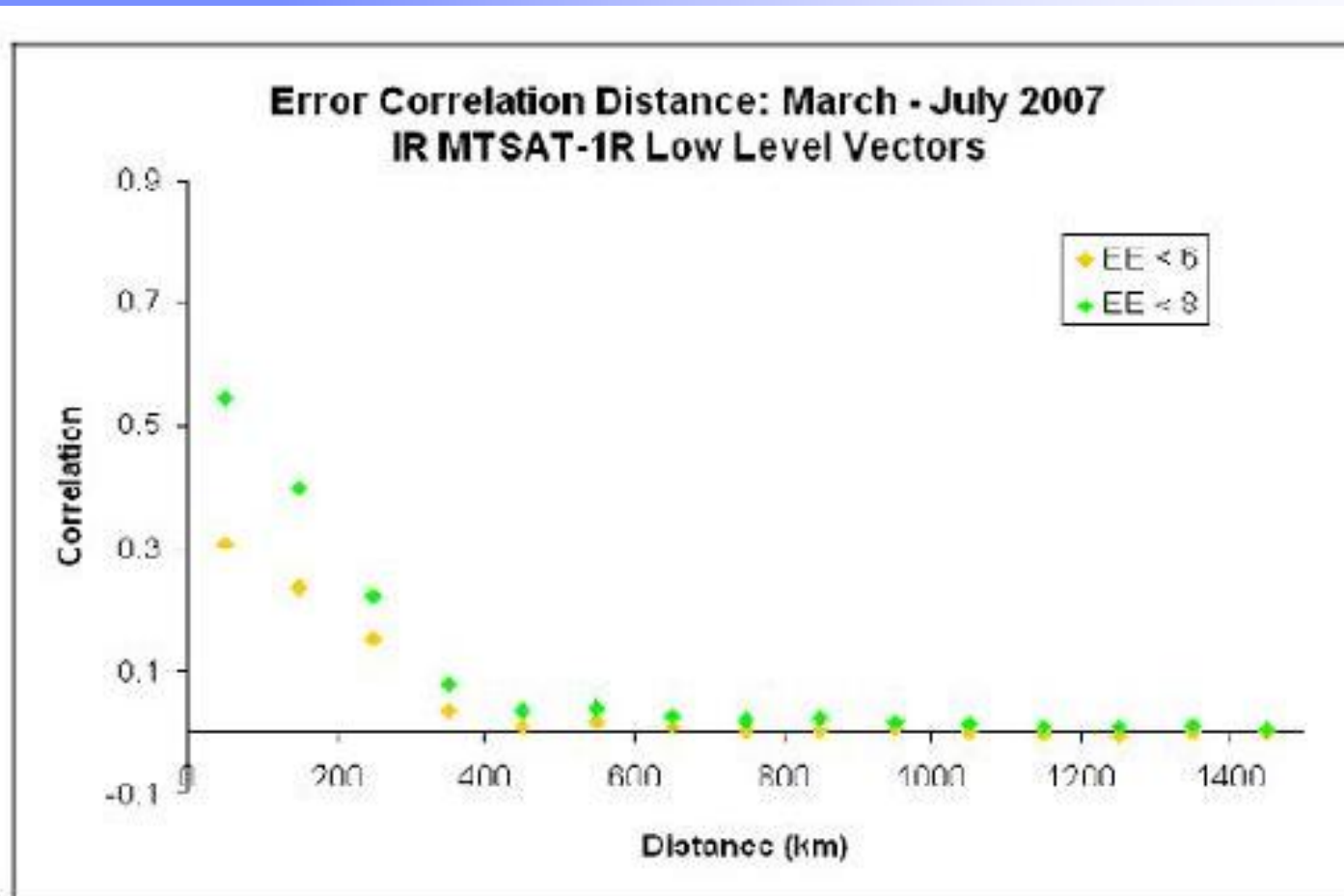


Table 3. Parameters of the SOAR function (Equation 2) which best model the measured error correlations for the MTSat-1R AMVs listed in the left column of the table. (February – April, 2007)

MTSat-1R IR1 AMVS	R₀₀		R₀		L (km)	
	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
EE < 6	0.006	0.370	0.460	0.460	86.000	99.900
EE < 8	0.066	0.052	0.640	0.440	122.700	110.900

MTSaT-1R DIRECT READOUT AMV GENERATION AND RT ASSIMILATION

MTSaT-1R at 140°E 0°S from 2005

Ch2 (IR1) AMVs generated in RT

RT trial 30 May - 15 June 2007 – 30 cases

Trial used then operational RT LAPS 375 51 levels

RT trial 1 Sept. - 8 Aug. 2007 – 72 cases

Trial used now operational RT LAPS 375 61 levels

Local AMVs subsequently accepted for operational use.

RTMTSaT-1R IR1 AMVs

Used 3 images separated by 15 min. or 60 min.

Used H₂O intercept method for upper level AMVs (Ch3/4) (Schmetz et al., 1993) or Window Method.

Used cloud base assignment for lower level AMVs (Ch4) (Le Marshall et al. 1997) or Window Method.

Q.C. via EE, QI, ERR, RFF etc.

No autoedit

OPERATIONAL TRIAL

30 May – 15 June 2008

Used

* Real Time Local Satellite Winds

~ 2 sets of IR1 quarter hourly motion vectors every six hours.

* Operational Regional Forecast

Model (L51) and Data Base (Inc JMA AMVs)

* Operational Regional Verification Grid

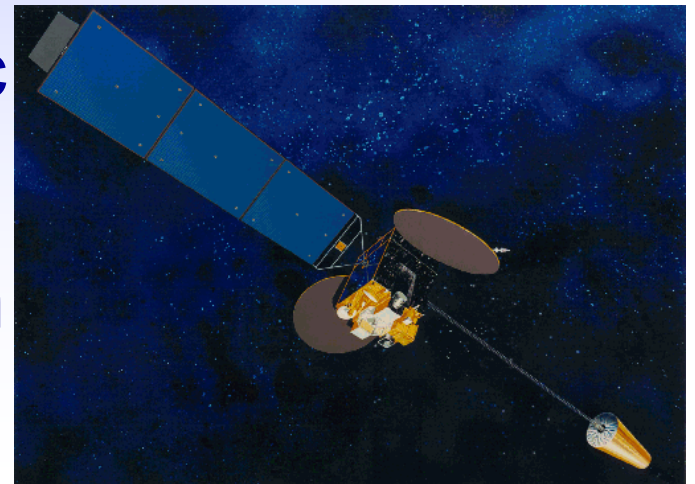
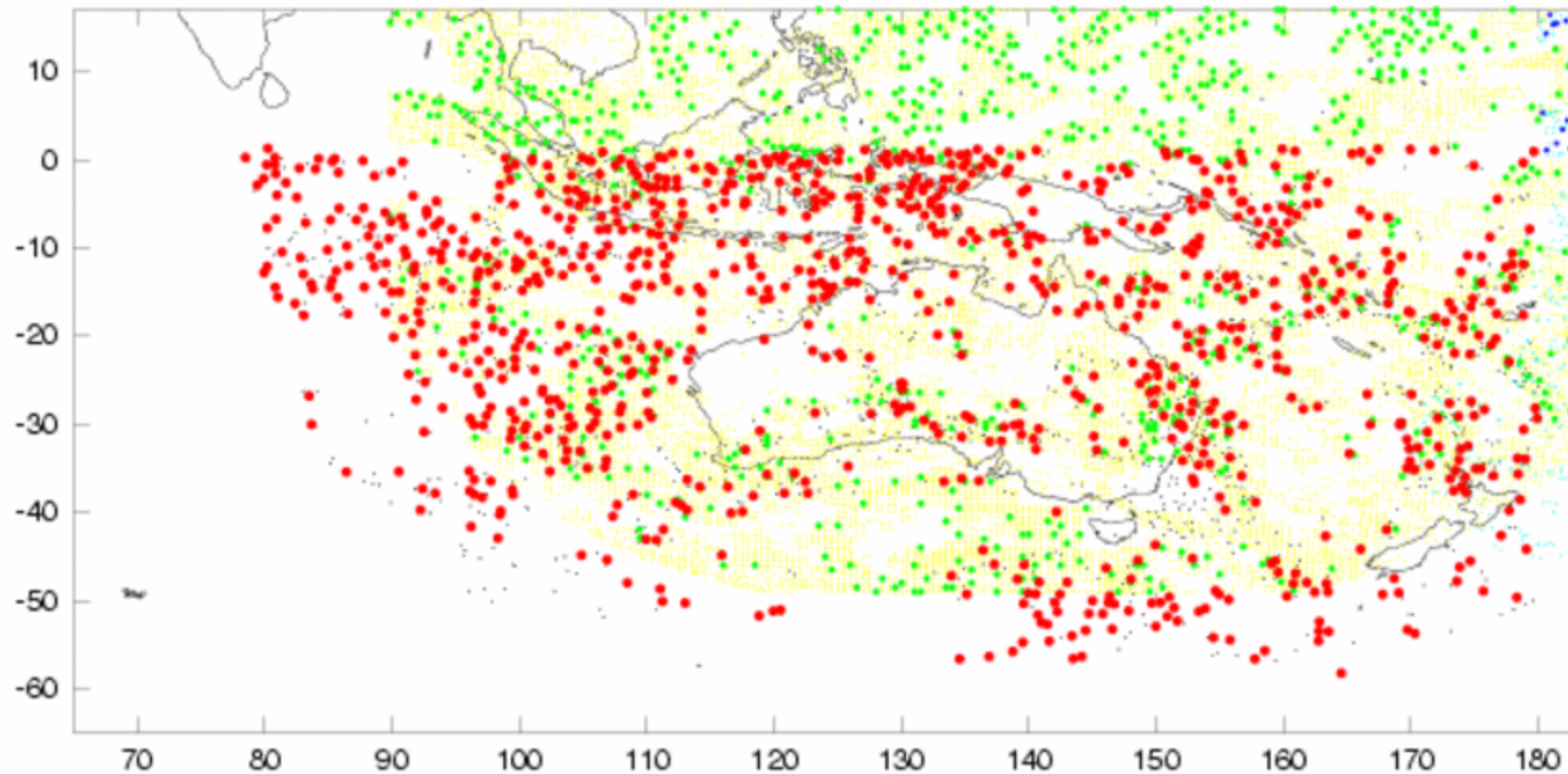


Table 4. Mean Magnitude of Vector Difference (MMVD) and Root Mean Square Difference (RMSD) between MTSat-1R AMVs, forecast model first guess winds and radiosonde winds for the period 30 May to 15 June 2007

Level	Data Source	Bias (ms⁻¹)	No. of Obs	MMVD (ms⁻¹)	RMSVD (ms⁻¹)
High – up to 150 km separation between radiosondes and AMVs	AMVs	-0.55	1386	3.90	4.47
	First Guess	1.3776	1386	4.42	5.09
Low - up to 150 km separation between radiosondes and AMVs	AMVs	-0.76	540	3.18	3.72
	First Guess	-0.70	540	2.72	3.12
Low – up to 30 km separation between radiosondes and AMVs	AMVs	-0.44	18	2.45	3.08
	First Guess	-0.20	18	2.67	3.07

Accepted/Rejected Observations for LAPS model based on Wind Spd/Dir
WMC/RTH Melbourne
Date: 20071216 at cycle 3 analysis 00Z (extracted at 00:49 UTC)

AMV cycle3_standard00Z



MTSAT REJ 19577
METEOSAT-5 REJ 0
METEOSAT-MSG REJ 0
GOES-11 REJ 434
LOCAL MTSAT REJ 1143

MTSAT ACCEPTED 734
METEOSAT-5 ACCEPTED 0
METEOSAT-MSG ACCEPTED 0
GOES-11 ACCEPTED 20
LOCAL MTSAT ACCEPTED 939

Table 5 (a) 24 hr forecast verification S1 Skill Scores for the May 2007 operational regional forecast system (L51 LAPS) and L51 LAPS with IR, 6-hourly image based AMVs for 30 May to 15 June 2007 (34 cases)

LEVEL	(LAPS) S1	(LAPS + MTSAT-1R AMVS) S1
MSLP	19.00	18.81
1000 hPa	21.35	20.80
900 hPa	22.42	22.08
850 hPa	22.81	22.76
500 hPa	15.96	15.91
300 hPa	13.65	13.65
250 hPa	12.62	12.58

OPERATIONAL TRIAL

1 September – 8 October 2008

Used

* Real Time Local Satellite Winds

~ 2 sets of IR1 quarter hourly motion vectors every six hours.

* Operational Regional Forecast

Model (L61) and Data Base (Inc JMA AMVs)

* Operational Regional Verification
Grid

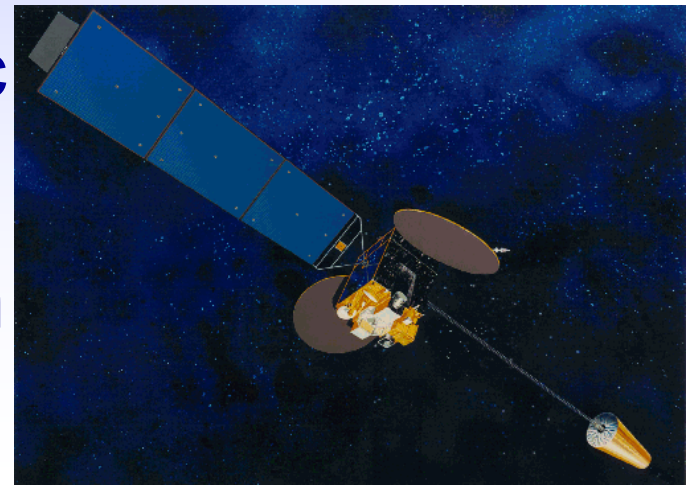


Table 5 (b) 24 hr forecast verification S1 Skill Scores for the next operational regional forecast system (L61 LAPS) and L61 LAPS with IR, 6-hourly image based AMVs for 1 September to 8 October 2007 (72 cases)

LEVEL	(LAPS) S1	(LAPS + MTSAT-1R AMVS) S1
MSLP	20.24	19.15
1000 hPa	20.06	19.13
900 hPa	18.65	17.75
850 hPa	17.41	16.69
500 hPa	12.41	11.73
300 hPa	10.49	9.76
250 hPa	12.41	11.90

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500 hPa	15.96	15.91	500 hPa	12.41	11.73
300 hPa	13.65	13.65	300 hPa	10.49	9.76
250 hPa	12.62	12.58	250 hPa	12.41	11.90

*The Transition from MTSaT-1R
HIRID Format to HRIT Format*

02:30 UTC 12 March 2008

HRIT IR1 AMV/RAOB Comparison: 24 January – 20 February, 2008 v1 15min.

Wind Level	LOW ERR=0,EE<3.5				High ERR=0,QI=.6-1.	
Wind Type	AMV		Background		AMV	Background
RAOB/AMV Sep	75	150	75	150	150	150
No of Vectors	53	264	53	264	2953	2953
Bias m/s	0.27	0.3	-0.26	-.28	-0.05	-0.92
MMVD	2.40	2.83	2.56	2.73	4.04	4.17
RMS VD m/s	2.72	3.24	2.76	3.08	4.59	4.81

HRIT IR1 AMV/RAOB Comparison: 24 January – 20 February, 2008 v2 15min.

Wind Level	LOW ERR=0,EE<3.5				High ERR=0,QI=.6-1.	
Wind Type	AMV		Background		AMV	Background
RAOB/AMV Sep	75	150	75	150	150	150
No of Vectors	53	264	53	264	3254	3254
BIAS m/s	-0.08	-0.21	-0.26	-0.28	0.80	-1.07
MMVD m/s	2.22	2.71	2.56	2.73	3.82	4.28
RMS VD m/s	2.53	3.12	2.76	3.08	4.41	4.92

HRIT AMVs – Pre-implementation Operational Test

Operational TLAPS S1 Scores versus Operational TLAPS plus HRIT IR1 Atmospheric Motion Vectors (AMVs)-Feb 21 –March-10 (17 Cases)

	Ops.	Ops. + HRIT
MSLP	24.76	24.29
1000 hPa	24.47	24.17
850hPa	23.88	23.47
500 hPa	18.23	17.88
300 hPa	16.88	16.70
250 hPa	15.76	15.52

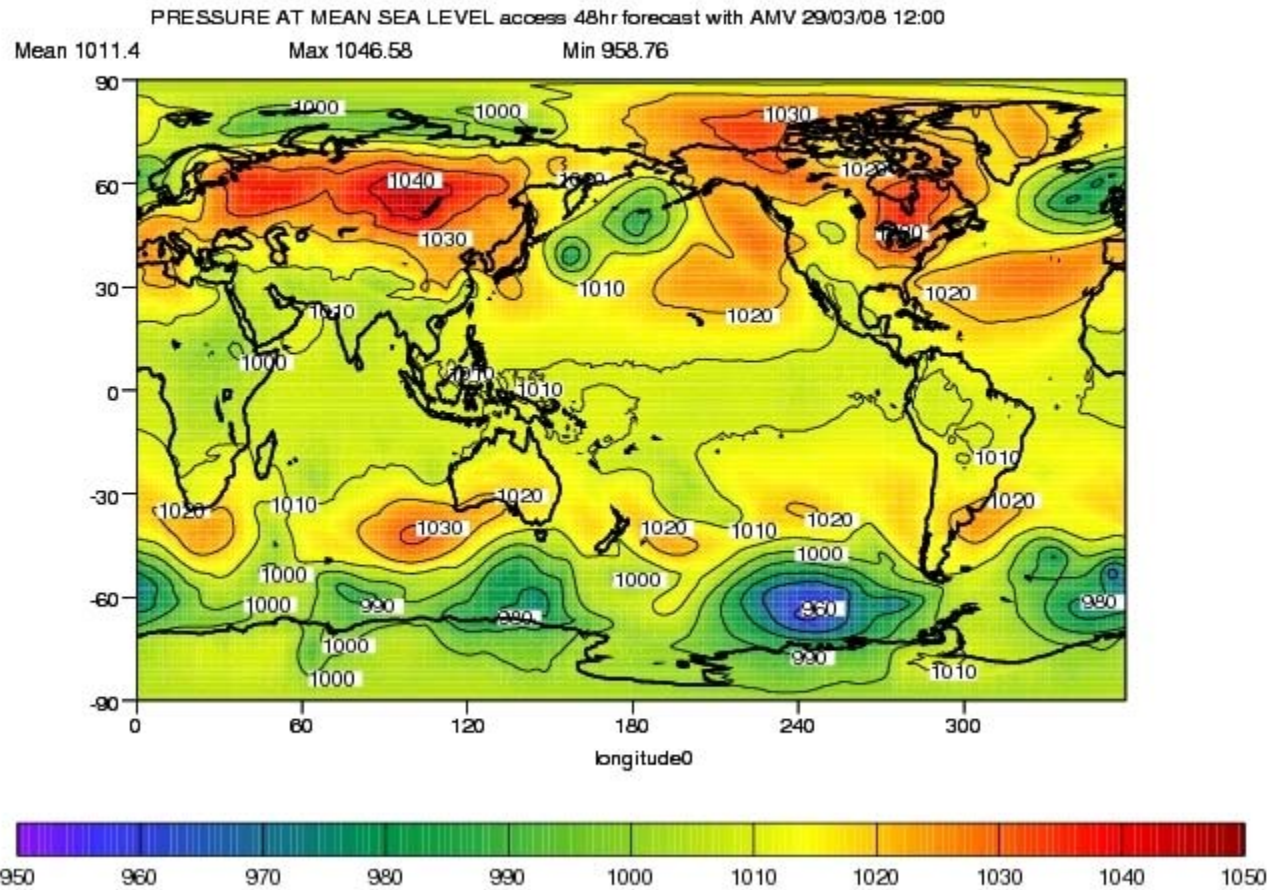
The Future

- ACCESS – UKUM
- Global and Regional Impact Studies
- Use of Continuous Data- Hourly AMVs in 4D-VAR
 - eg. TC Nicholas Western Australian region
 - February 2008

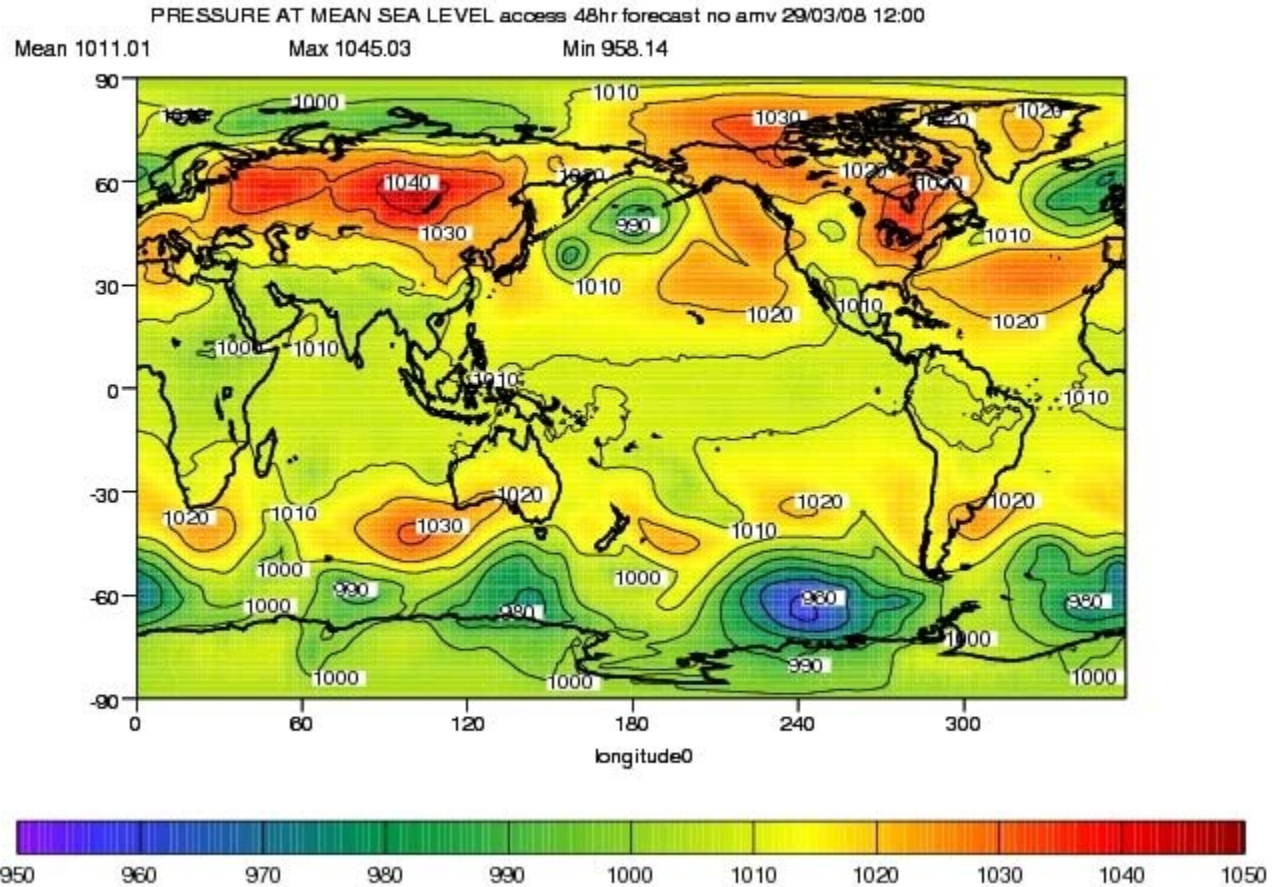
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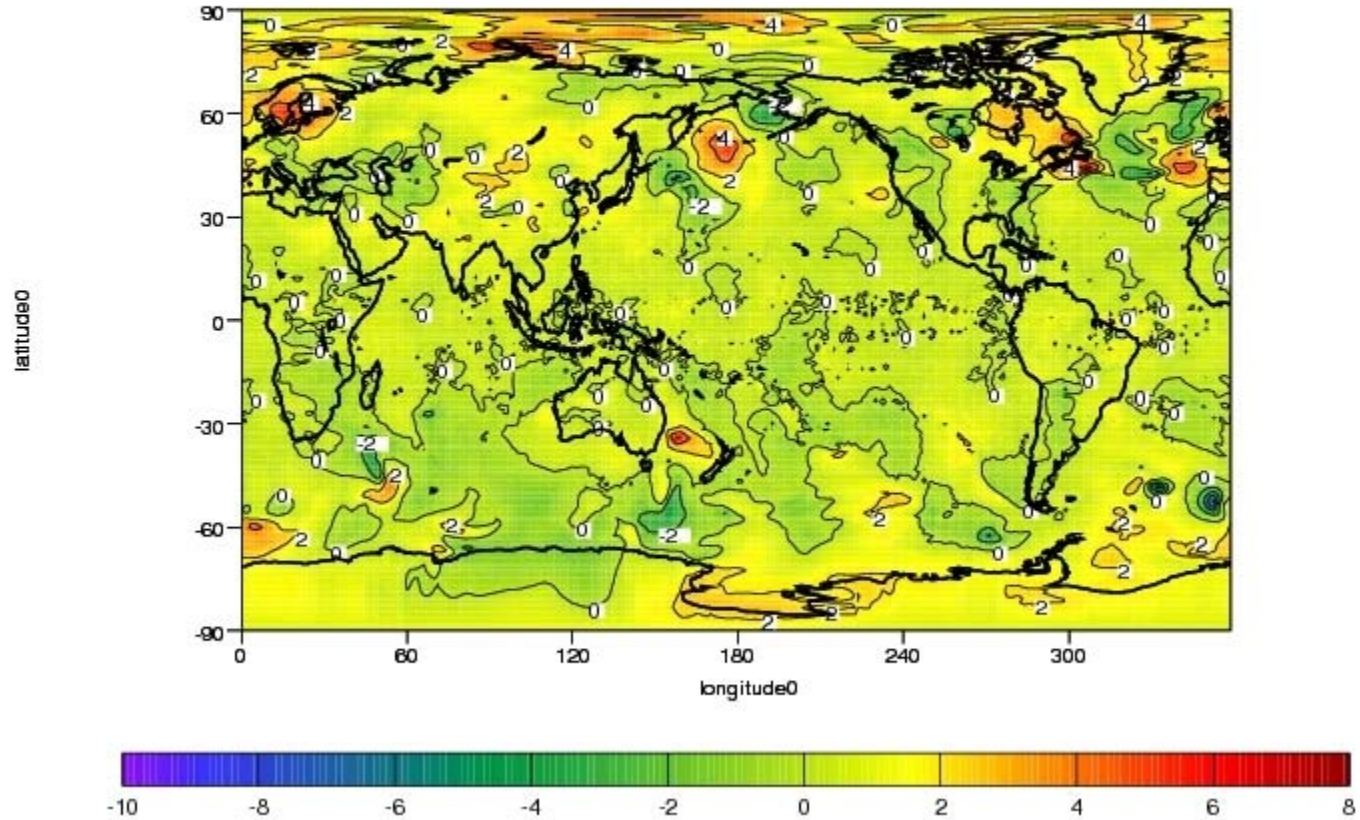


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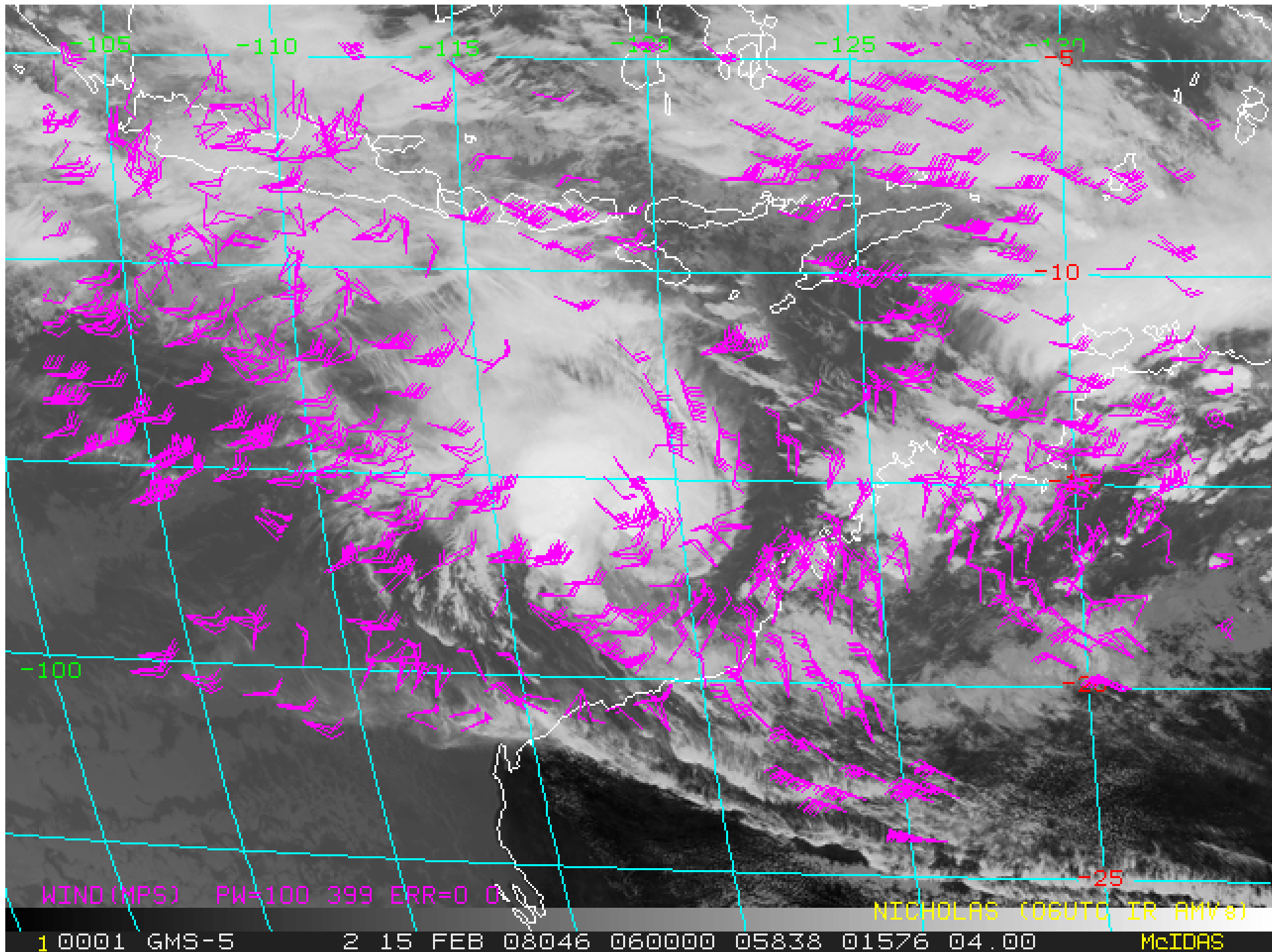
The Future

difference PRESSURE AT MEAN SEA LEVEL with/without AMV access 48hr forecast 29/03/08 12:00
Mean 0.394952 Max 6.73 Min -8.3



The Future

- ACCESS – UKUM
- Use of Continuous Data- Hourly AMVs in 4D-VAR (Regional 37.5km)
eg. TC Nicholas Western Australian region
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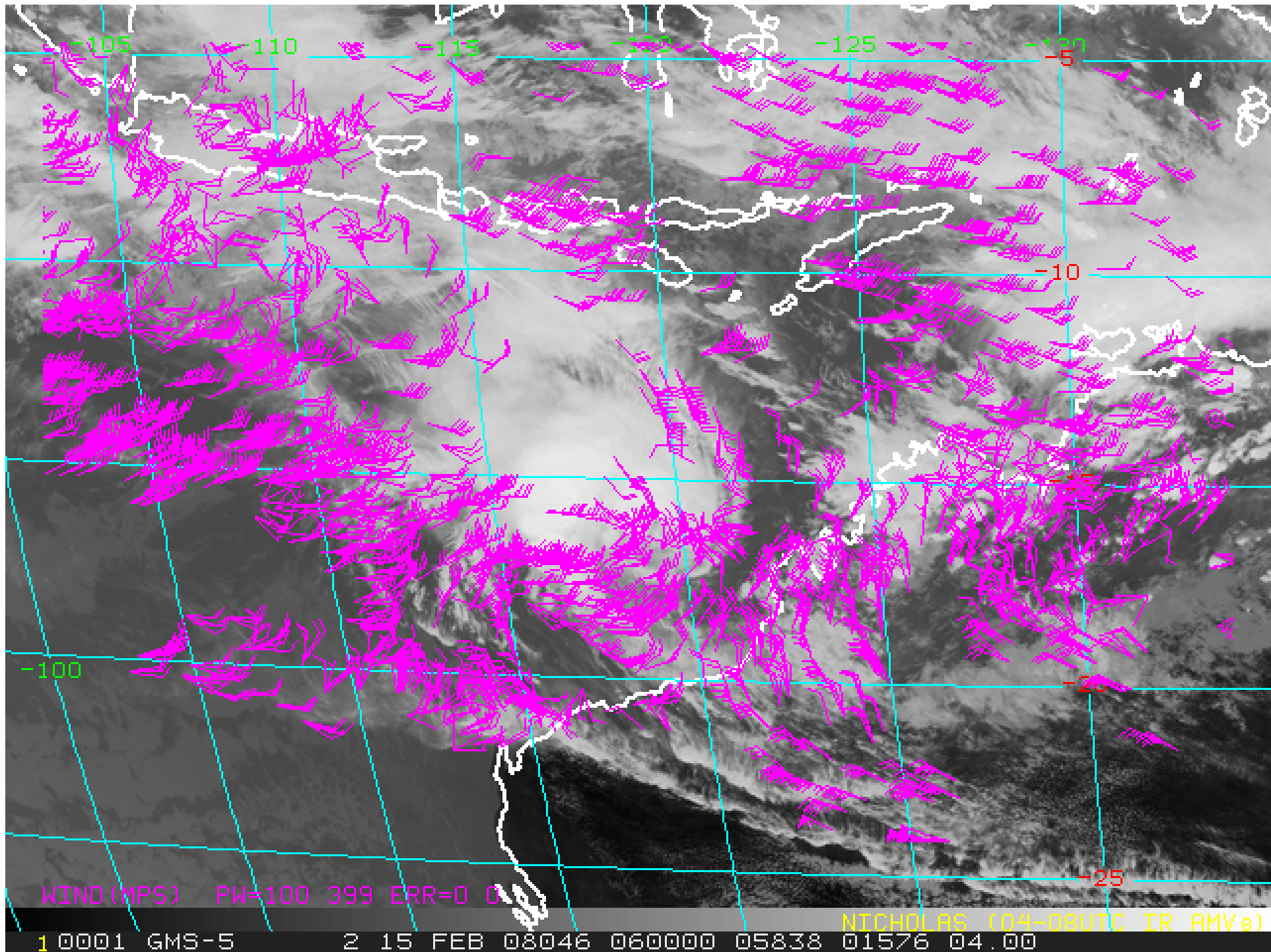
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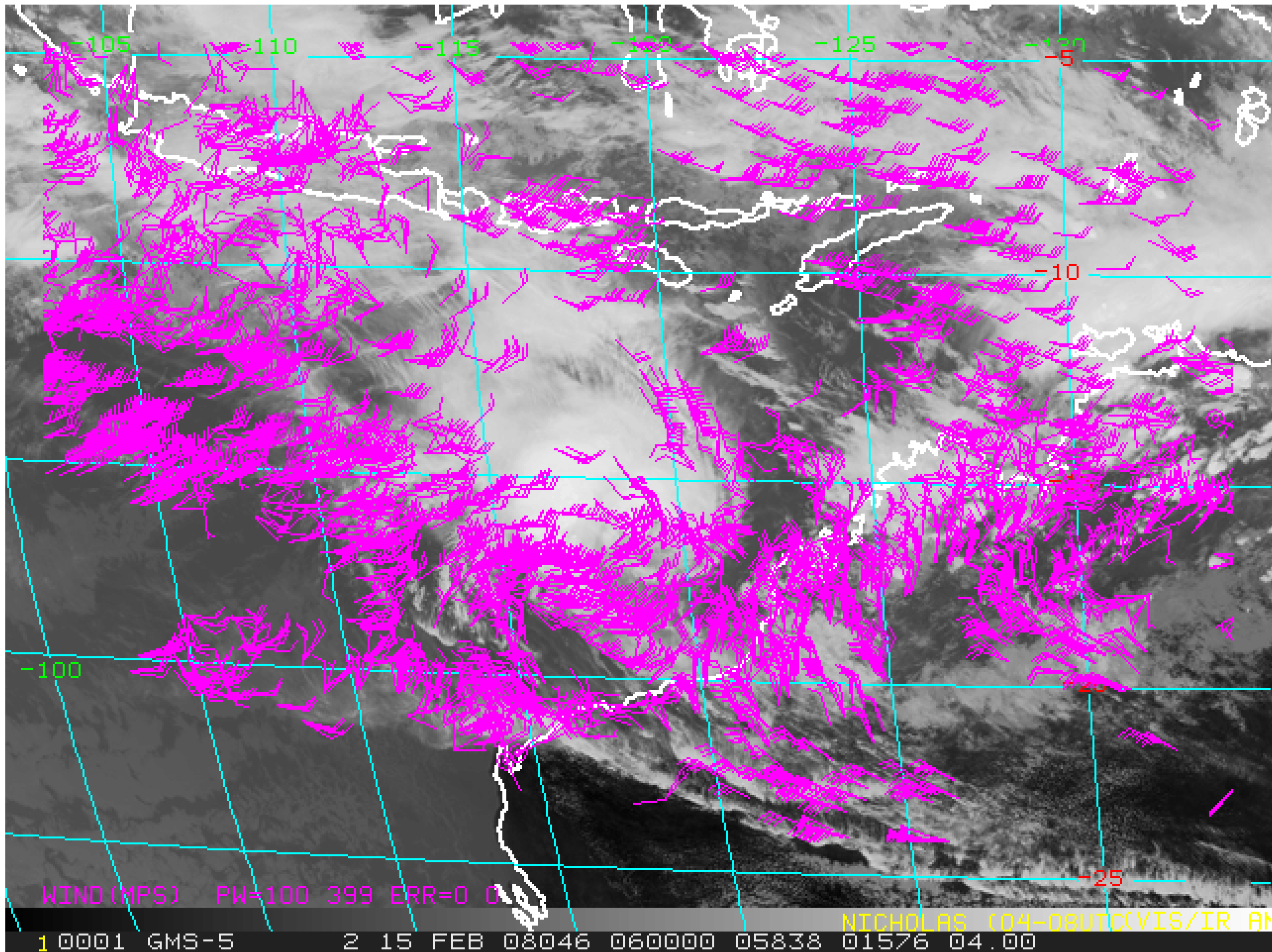
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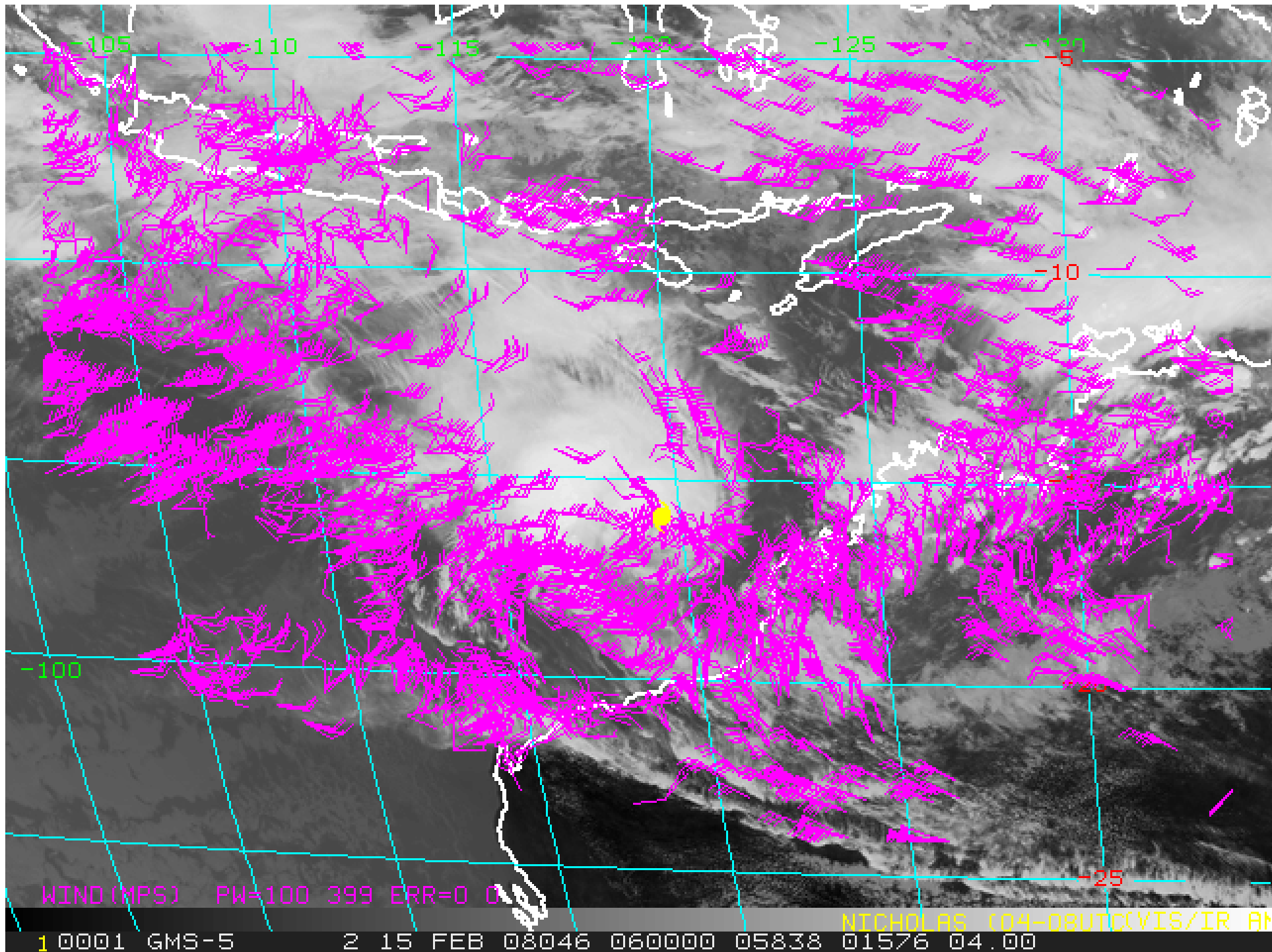
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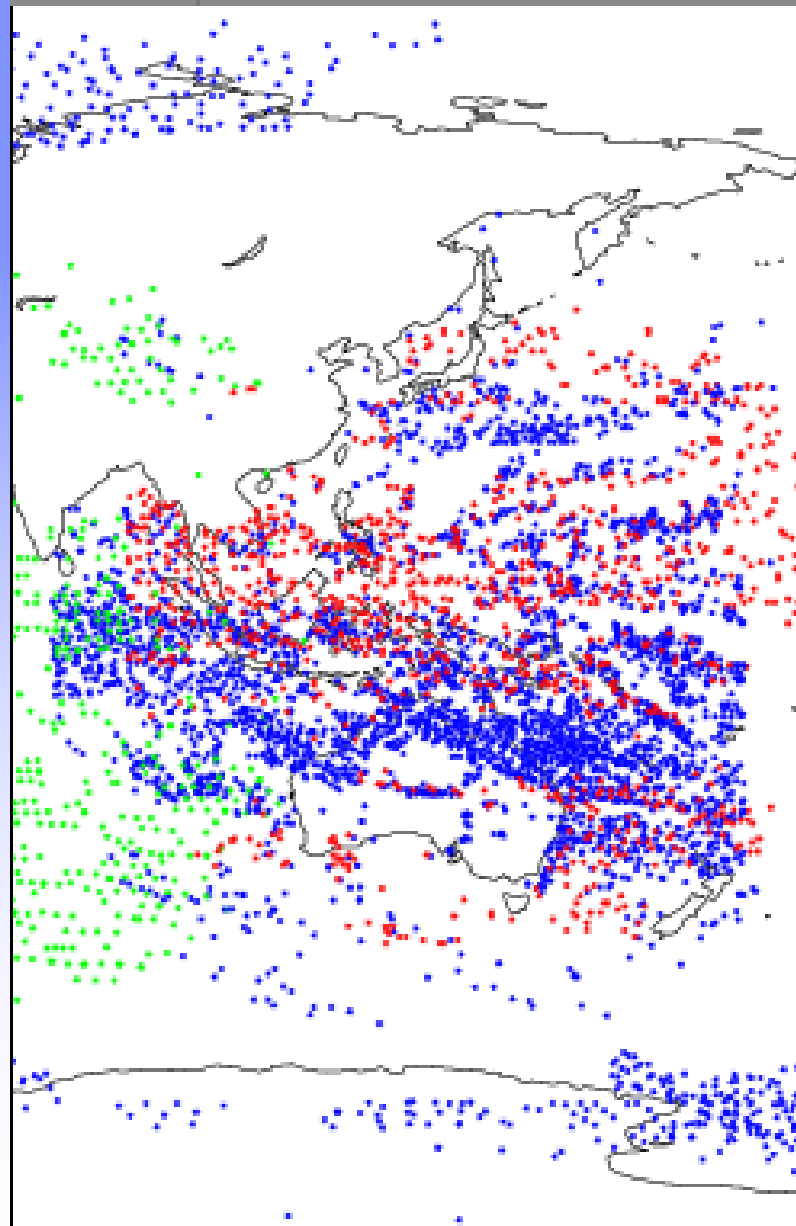


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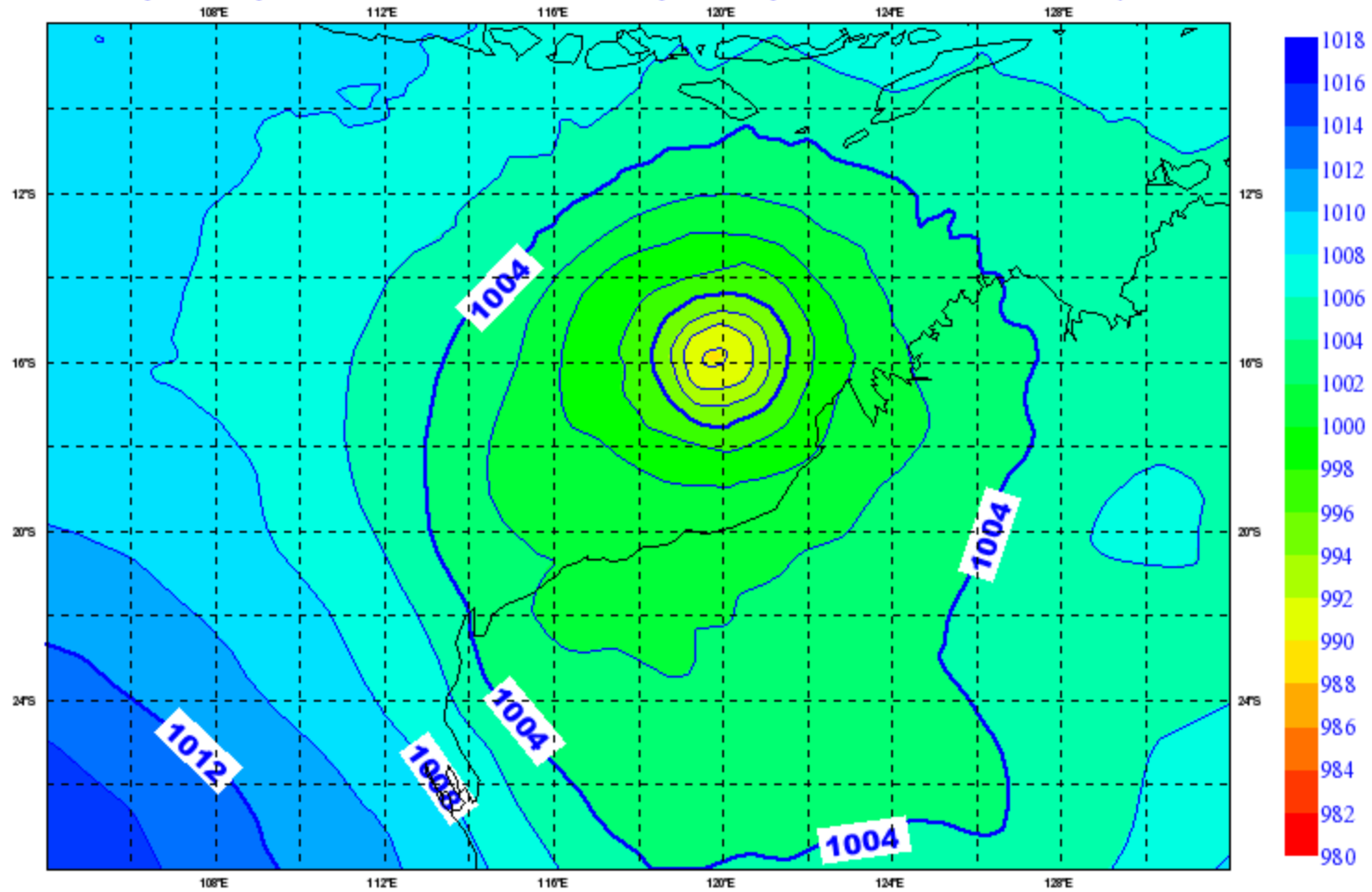
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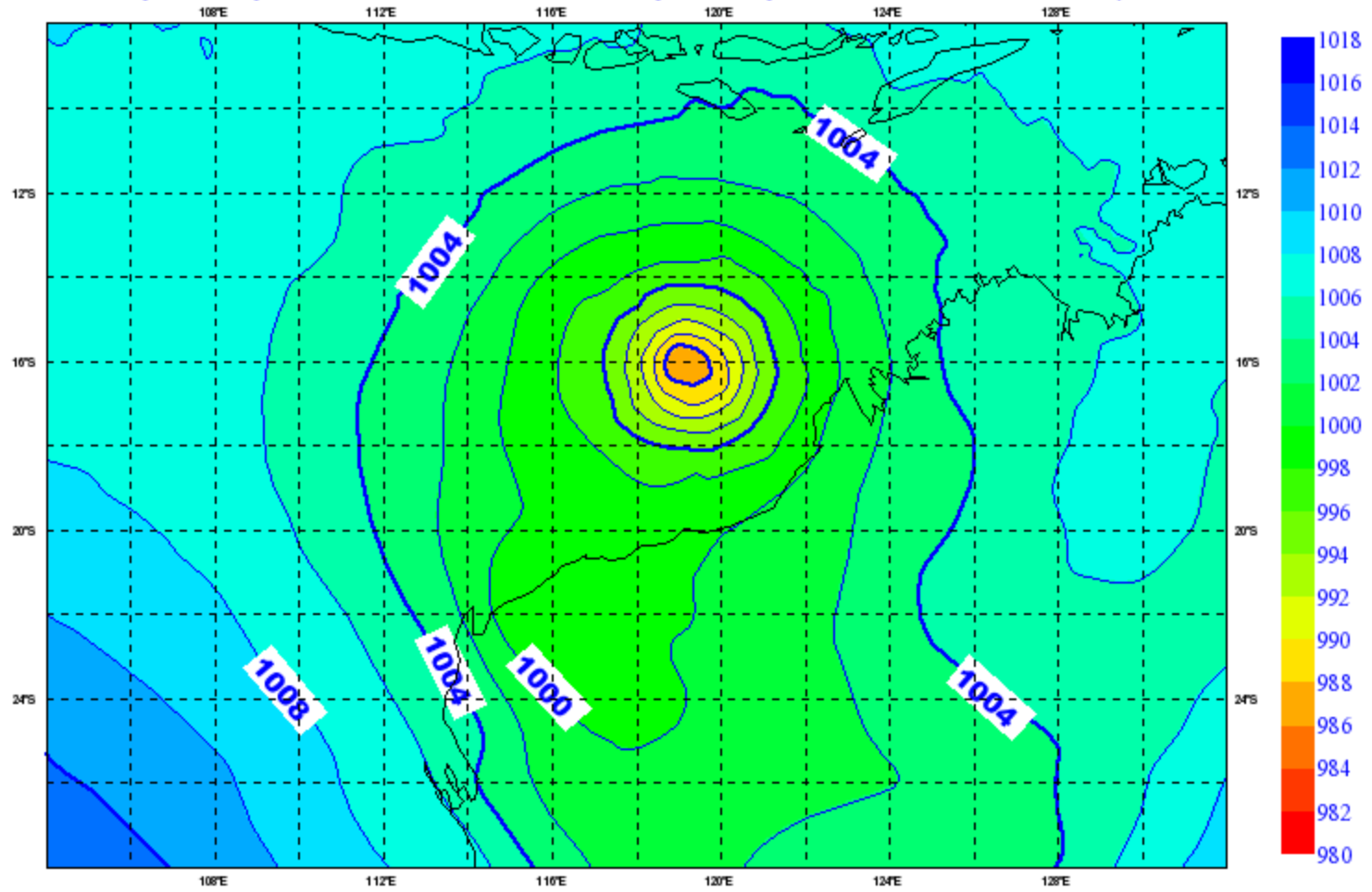
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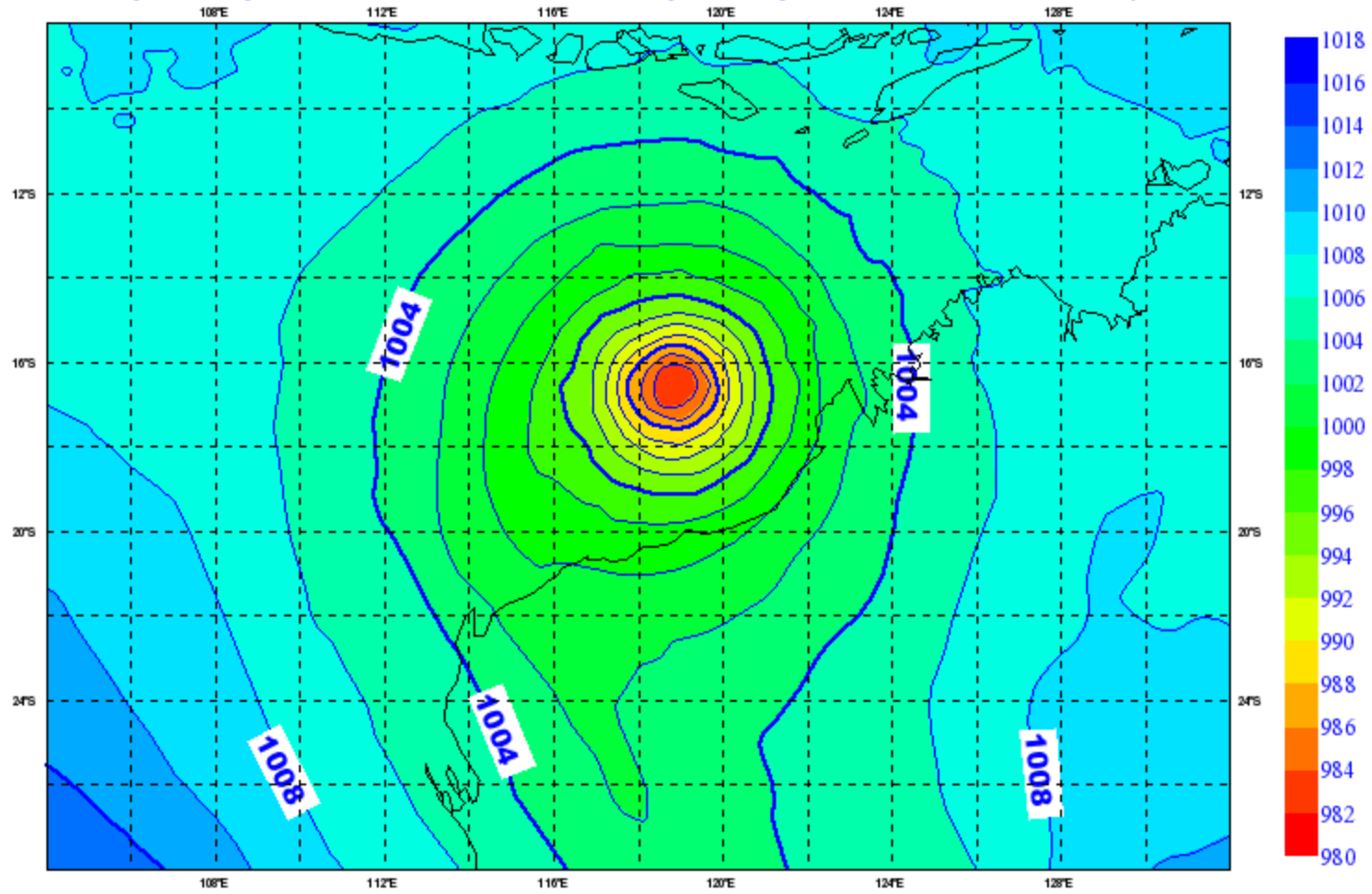
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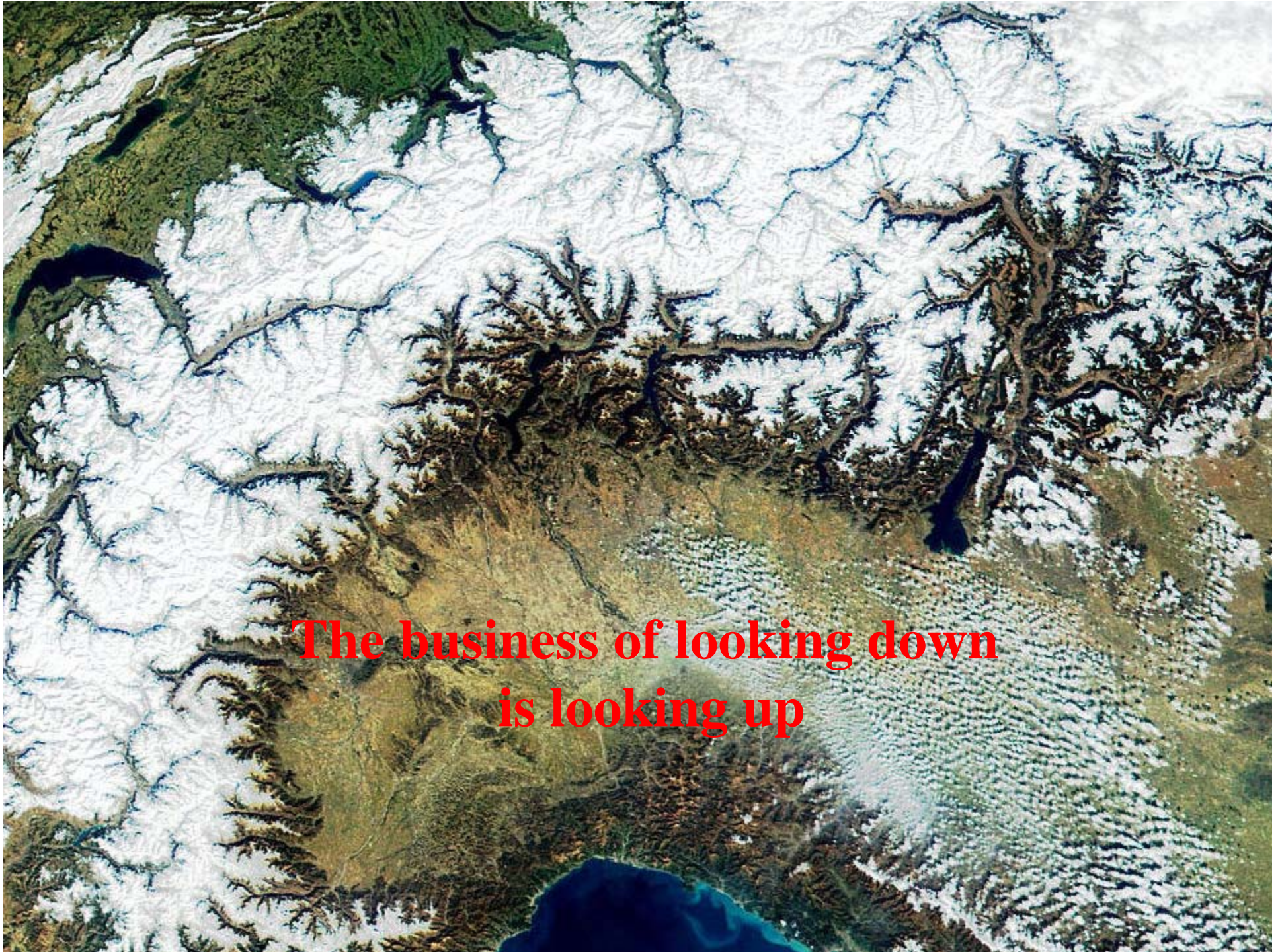


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The Future

- Cloud Height Assignment and Verification – LBF, A-Train
- AMV Error Characterization
- Model Clouds
- Continuous data/4D-VAR
- Moisture tracking / 4D-VAR
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**The business of looking down
is looking up**

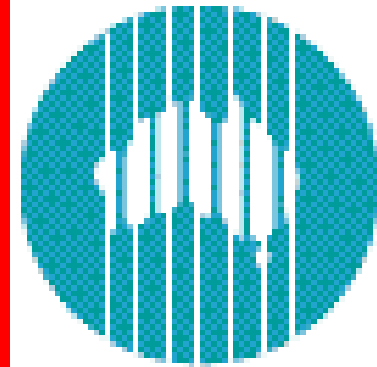
Discussion and Conclusions

- Both the geo-stationery and polar orbiting satellite-based AMVs have been shown to make a significant contribution globally to operational analysis and forecasting.
- MODIS AMVs have been shown to make a positive contribution in polar, mid-latitude and tropical regions.
- MTSaT-1R AMVs have been generated at the Australian BoM and have been shown to provide significant benefits in the Australian region.
- The successful application of MTSaT-1R AMVs has been facilitated by the careful use of quality-control parameters such as the EE, ERR and QI.
- Assimilation studies with UKUM based ACCESS model underway and showing promising results.



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