

NASAs Earth Sciences Data and Information Services for Air Quality and Public Health Applications

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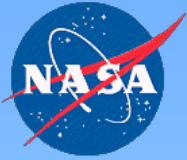
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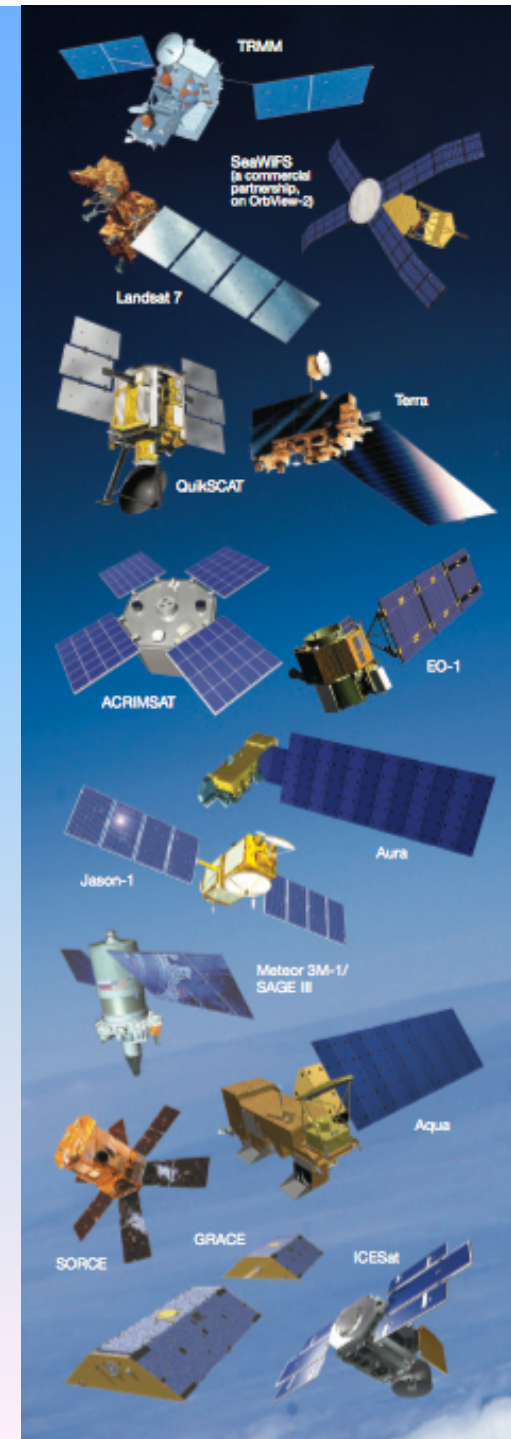
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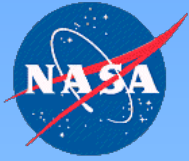


Earth Observing System (EOS) Missions

- Provides long-term global observations
 - Land surface
 - Biosphere
 - Oceans
 - Atmosphere
 - Solid Earth

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Earth Observing System (EOS) Missions

Current missions and measurements specifically useful to Air Quality applications:

- Aura (comprised of the HIRDLS, MLS, OMI, TES instruments) - Atmospheric Composition
- TOMS - Ozone
- Calipso - Aerosols
- AIRS - Ozone, Carbon Traces
- MODIS - Ozone, Aerosols
- MISR - Aerosols
- MOPITT - Carbon Traces

Key Atmospheric Composition Data Sets

Missions	Nimbus 4	Nimbus 7	Nimbus 7 Meteor 3 ADEOS 1 Earth-Probe	Nimbus 7	Spacelab 3, ATLAS 1,2,3	UARS				ERS-2	Terra Aqua	Aqua	Aura			
Instruments	BUV	SBUV	TOMS	LIMS	ATMOS	CLAES	HALOE	ISAMS	MLS	GOME	MODIS	AIRS	OMI	HIRDLS	MLS	TES*
Data Period	Apr '70- May '77	Nov '78- May '93	Nov '78- Present	Oct '78- May '79	'85, '92, '93, '94	Oct '91- May '93	Oct '91- Present	Sep '91- Jul '92	Sep '91- Jul '99	April '95- Present	Mar '00- Present	Sep '02- Present	Jul '04- Present	Jul '04- Present	Jul '04- Present	Jul '04- Present
Spectral Region	255 - 380 nm	255 - 340 nm	309 - 360 312 - 380 nm	6.2 - 15 μm	2.98 - 15 μm	3.5 - 12.7 μm	2.43 - 10.25 μm	4.6 - 16.6 μm	63, 183, 205 GHz	240 - 790 nm	0.4 - 14 μm	0.4 - 1.1, 3.74 - 15.4 μm	270 - 500 nm	6.12 - 17.76 μm	118, 190, 240, 640 GHz, 2.5 THz	3.2 - 15.4 μm
Bands	13	13	6	6	16	9	8	8	3	3072	36	2382	1560	22	5	12
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Aerosols																

All data sets
located at:
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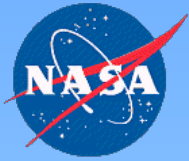
Except: TES, and
(not shown) MISR,
CALIPSO, MOPITT
located at:
[http://eosweb.larc.
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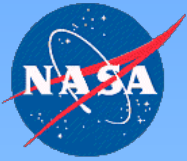
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- AMSR-E - Soil Moisture
- MODIS - Ozone, Aerosols, Temperature, Humidity, Vegetation Moisture
- MISR - Aerosols
- MOPITT - Carbon Traces
- TRMM - Precipitation
- SORCE - Solar irradiance



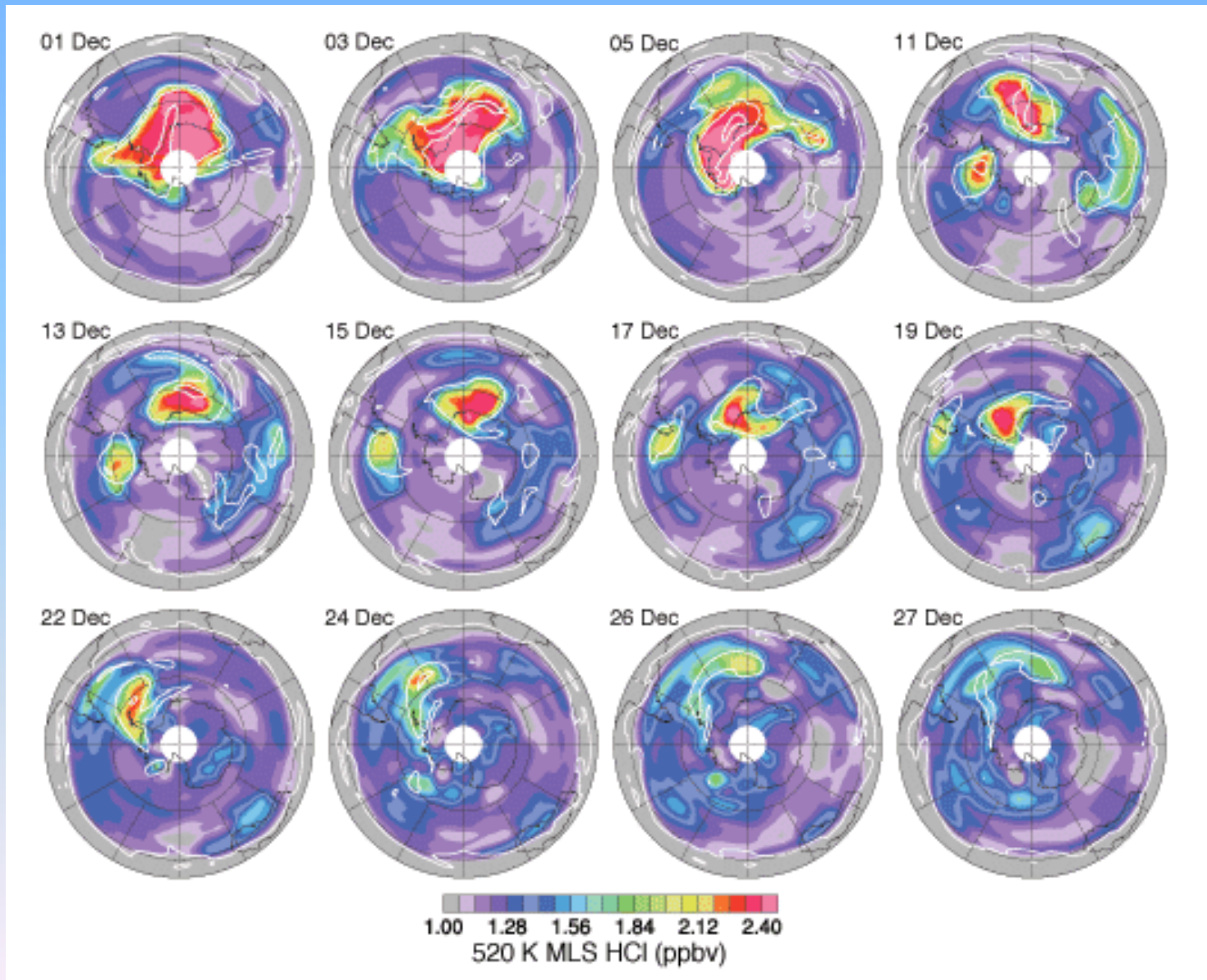
Earth Observing System (EOS) Models

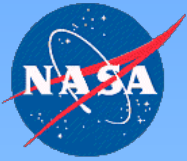
Two active and significant models provide data useful to air quality and public health research

- Modern Era Retrospective-analysis for Research and Applications (MERRA) (<http://gmao.gsfc.nasa.gov/>)
 - Global reanalysis of atmospheric parameters by the GSFC Global Modeling and Assimilation Office (GMAO)
 - Uses model to assimilate satellite and in situ data
 - 1979 to present
 - Relevant products: Precipitation, Temperature, Ozone, Humidity
- North American (NLDAS) and Global (GLDAS) Land Data Assimilation System (<http://ldas.gsfc.nasa.gov/>)
 - Reanalysis and forecast simulations by numerical weather prediction (NWP) models
 - Relevant Products: Soil Moisture, Precipitation



Microwave Limb Sounder (MLS) HCl Observations of Antarctic Polar Vortex Breakup

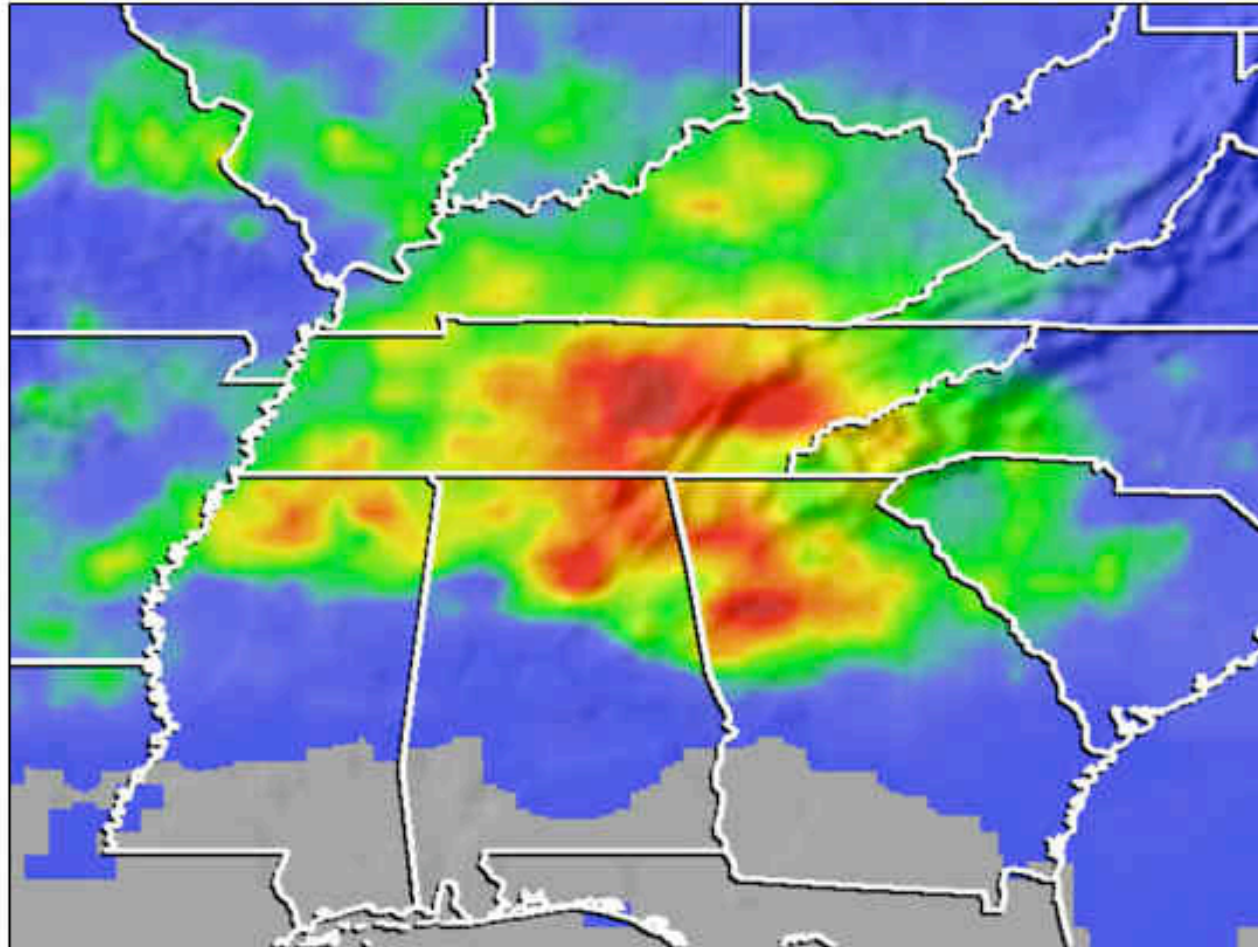




TRMM Real-time Multi-satellite Precipitation

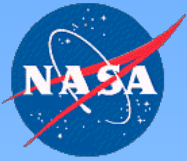
(May 4-9, 2003)

Rains Soak the Southeast



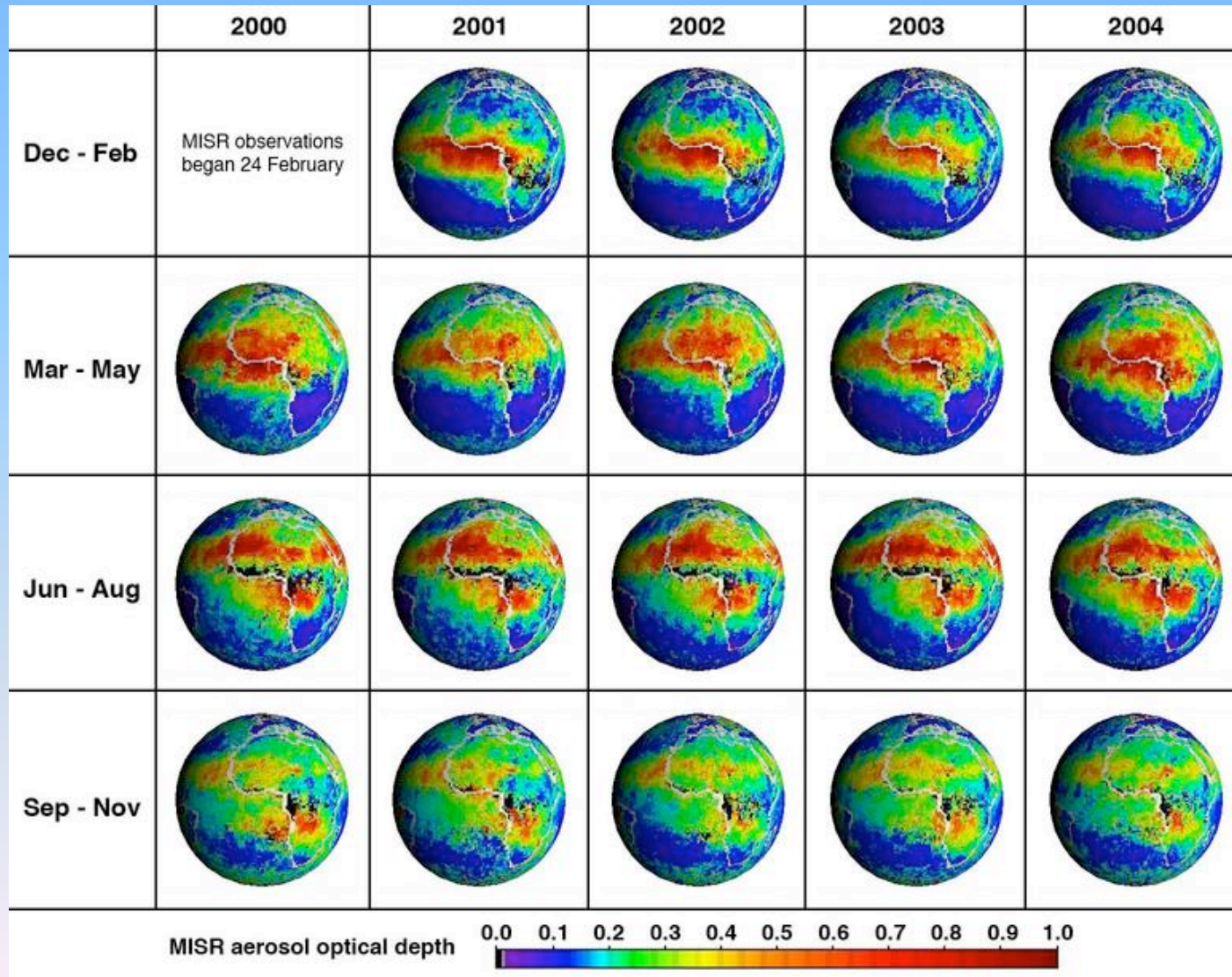
Rain Accumulation (mm)

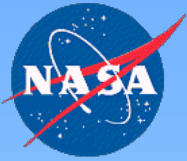




Global Aerosols from MISR

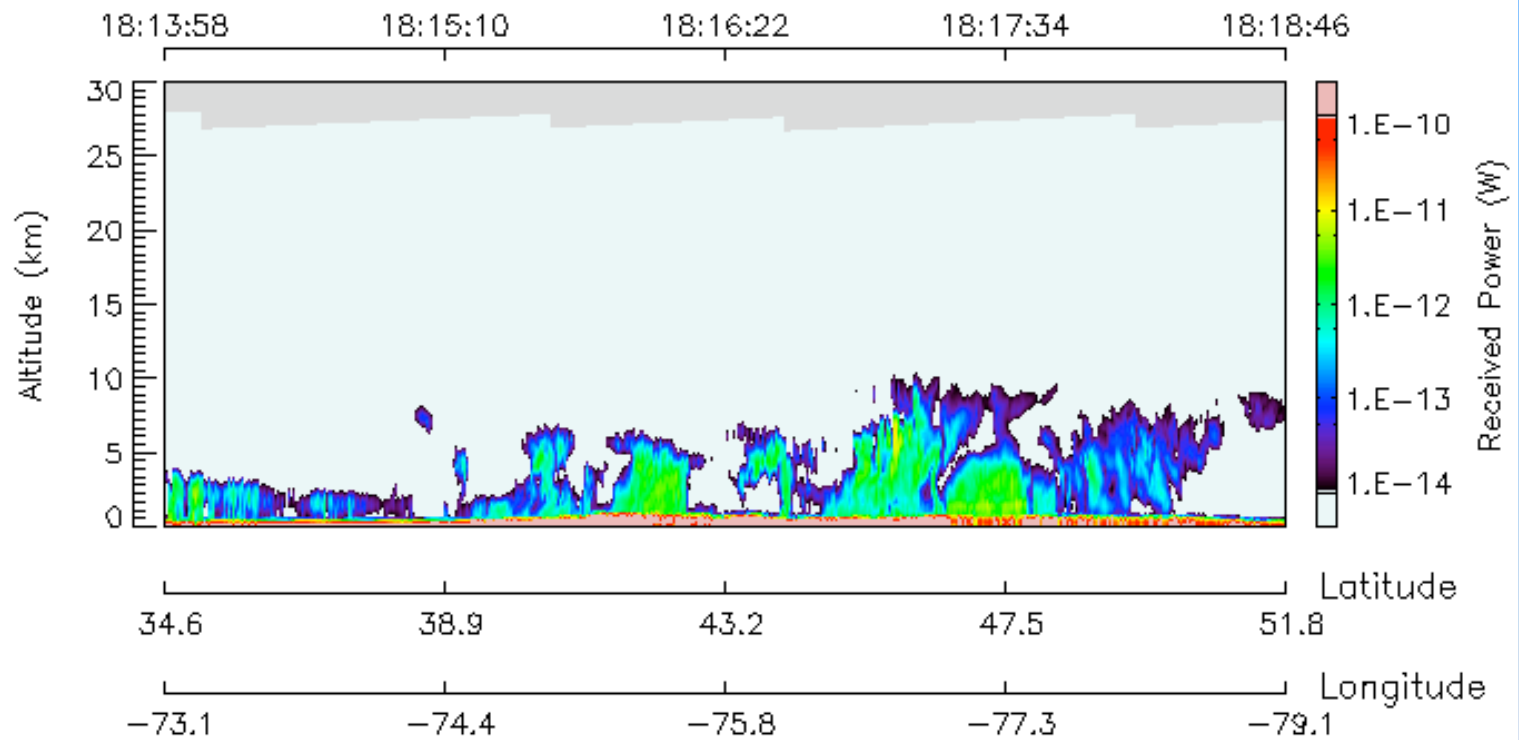
Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer

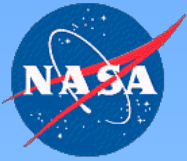




ReceivedEchoPowers (CloudSat)

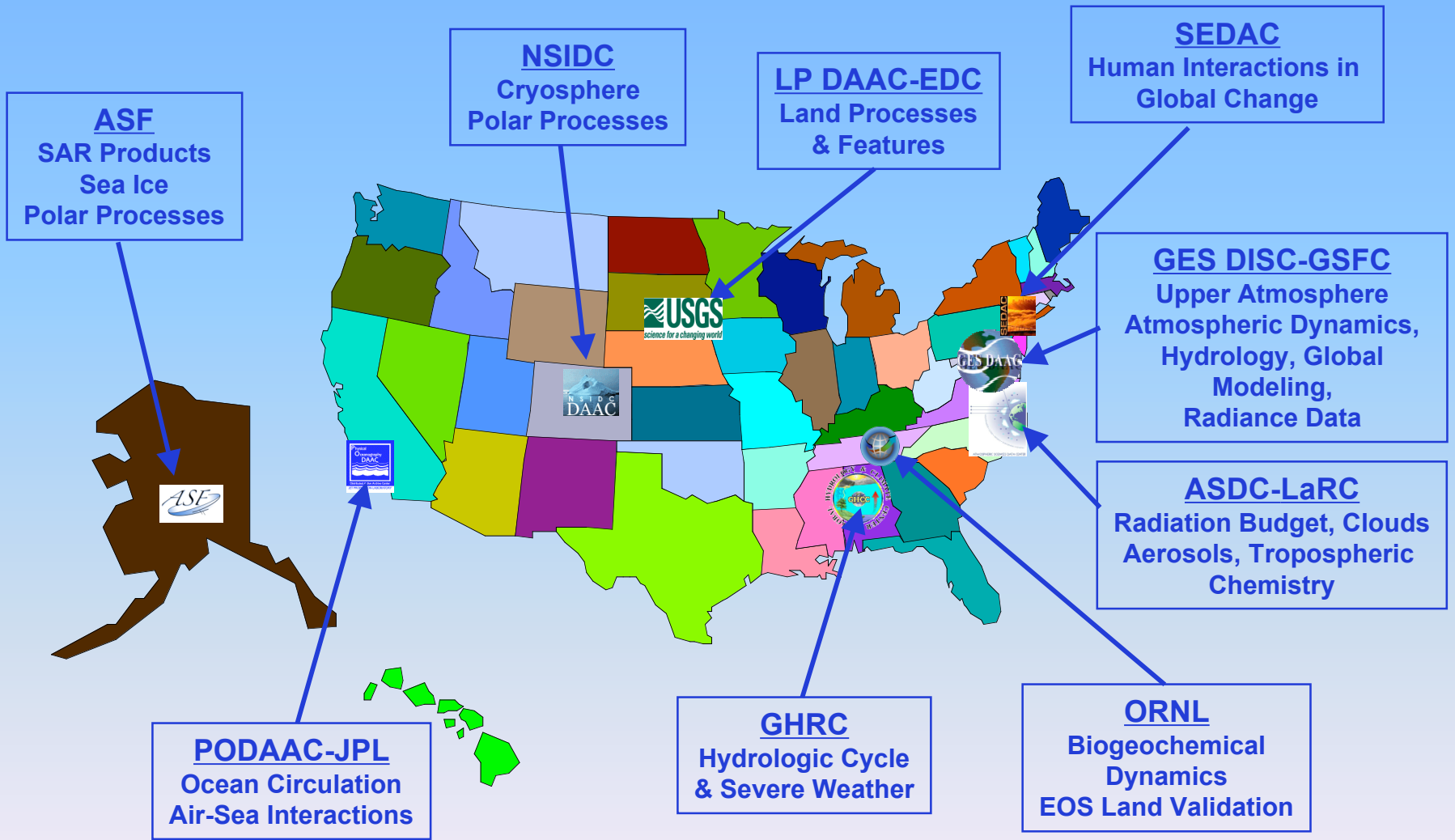
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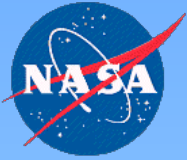




NASA Earth Science Data Centers

(aka Distributed Active Archive Centers)





GES DISC Mission

(and more or less the mission of all DAACs)

To maximize the investment benefit of the NASA Earth Science Enterprise by providing data and services that enable people to fully realize the scientific, educational, and application potential of global climate data.

In Short...

Our mission is to:

ENABLE EARTH SCIENCE RESEARCH

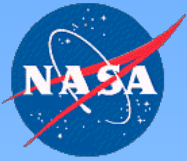


NASA Earth Science Data Systems

Basic Functions

EOS Data and Information System (EOSDIS) performs the data management functions for NASA data and information. Basic functions include:

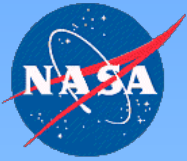
- Produce, ingest, archive and distribute NASA data
- Operate/maintain data link servers (ancillary products)
- Produce, archive and distribute ancillary data
- Maintain systems that perform core functions
- Operate systems that perform core functions
- Provide Science data user support for core functions
- Provide POC for user problem resolution
- Provide system/sustaining engineering
- Provide data documentation
- Collect and report metrics
- Support Long Term Archive (LTA) development
- Provide data stewardship – Data archive for other data archives
- Perform to required standards



EOSDIS Evolution Approach at the GES DISC

(Evolution will be complete 12/21/07)

Current System Characteristics	Evolved System Characteristics
EOSDIS Core System (ECS)	Simple, Scalable, Script-based Science Processor for Archives (S4PA) technology
Generalized interface(s)	Discipline-specific interfaces in addition to generalized interface(s)
Tape archive <ul style="list-style-type: none">- All products archived- Order data for delivery	Disk archive <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Some products processed on demand (virtual products)- Download data automatically upon choosing
Search and order tools	Tools to find, explore, and analyze data
Distribute standard products	Distribute lower volume tailored products
System changes require long lead time	System changes implemented quickly according to priority within given budget cap
Steward data	Steward data



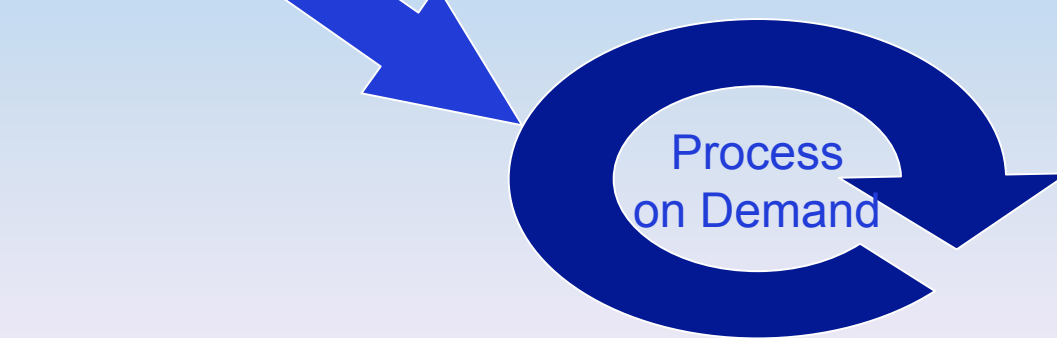
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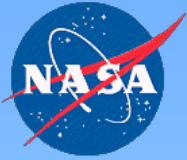


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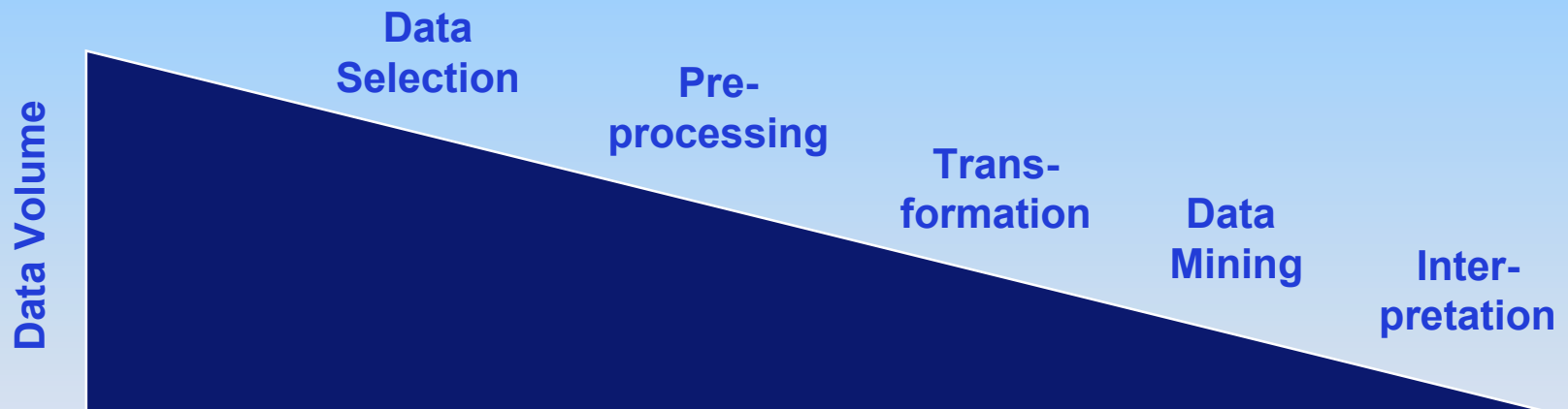
high volume data
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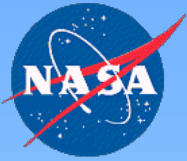




The Knowledge Discovery in Databases (KDD) Process

KDD: The nontrivial process of identifying valid, novel, potentially useful, and ultimately understandable patterns in data (Fayyad, 1996)



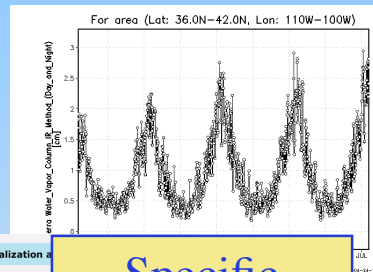


Enabling Earth Science Research



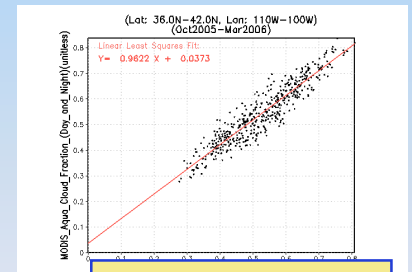
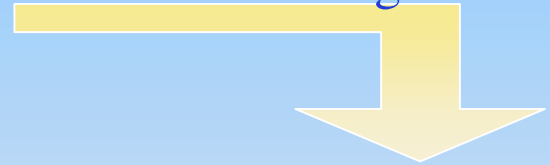
Continuous
Global Data
Products

What are you looking
for? *



Specific
Information

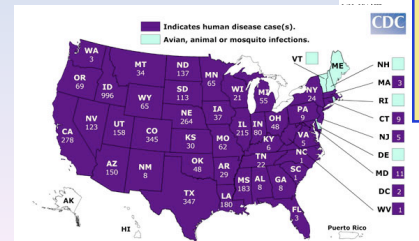
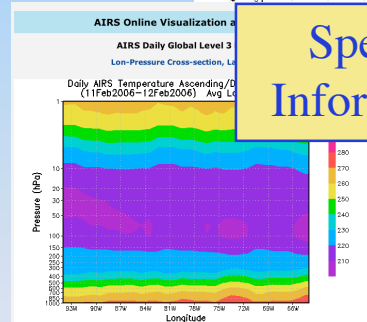
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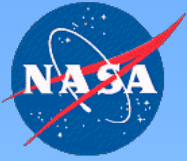
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Knowledge

- * - Spatial & temporal resolution of data
- Region & time period of interest
- Interpretation of the data**

** Collaborations between remote sensing data scientists, information managers, and information recipients



<http://www.co.el-dorado.ca.us/emd/envhealth/wrv.html>

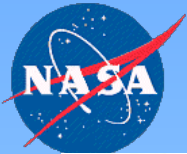


GES DISC Value-Added Tools and Services

Ease of use

- Google like search and data access tool (Mirador)
- Search data by measurement (Parameter Information Page)
- Gridded data on-line visualization and analysis (Giovanni)
- On-the-fly subsetting (FTP-based)
- On-demand subsetting (S4PM-based)
- Data mining within Near-line Archive Data Mining (NADM) system
- Algorithm running within the main production system (S4PM)





Mirador Features

SEARCH MIRADOR

Keywords:

Location:

Time Span: to

Event:

Google freetext search

Gazetteer for spatial search

Flexible date format for time search

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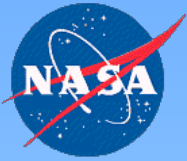
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Event gazetteer for spatio-temporal search

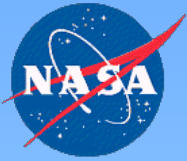


Mirador Speed

 **Keyword:** AIRS
Location: 25N 50N 125W 65W [Coverage Map](#)
Event:
Time Span: 2002-07-01 to 2006-07-01 23:59:59 [Search GES-DISC](#)

Data Sets Results 1 - 10 of 18 for AIRS (1 seconds)

-  [AIRX2RET AIRS/Aqua FINAL Level 2 Products](#)
Approx. **23719** files found (**119.01 GB**)
Parameters: Cloud Vertical Distribution, Surface Pressure, Ozone, Sea Surface Temperature, Emissivity, Reflectance, Skin Temperature...
Spatial Resolution: 50 km x 50 km
Temporal Resolution: Twice per day (daytime and nighttime)
-  [AIRX2SUP AIRS/Aqua Level-2 Support Product](#)
Approx. **23719** files found (**443.64 GB**)
Parameters: Outgoing Longwave Radiation, Precipitation Rate, Surface Pressure, Methane, Carbon Dioxide, Carbon Monoxide, Surface Air Tempe...
Spatial Resolution: 50km x 50km
Temporal Resolution: Twice per day (daytime and nighttime)
-  [AIRVPRAD AIRS/Aqua visible geolocated radiances](#)



Atmospheric Constituents - Mozilla Firefox

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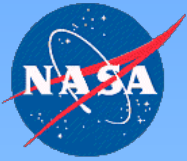
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Atmospheric constituents

Click the component name for a description of the substance. The Data Products page lists data sets containing measurements of these substances.

Oxygen Compounds	Aerosols
Ozone (O3)	Aerosol Index
Nitrogen Compounds	Aerosol Optical Depth/Thickness
Nitric oxide (NO)	Aerosol Extinction Profile
Nitrous oxide N2O	Aerosol Angstrom Exponent
Nitrogen dioxide (NO2)	Aerosol Optical Depth Ratios
Dinitrogen pentoxide (N2O5)	Aerosol Dust Weighting Factor
Nitric acid (HNO3)	Aerosol Mass Concentration
Halons & Halogens	Cloud Condensation Nuclei
Bromine monoxide (BrO)	Aerosol Effective Radius
Chlorine monoxide (ClO)	Aerosol Asymmetry Factor
Chlorine dioxide (ClO2)	Aerosol Back Scattering Ratios
Chlorine nitrate (ClONO2)	Aerosol Single Scattering Albedo
Hydrogen chloride (HCl)	Aerosol Radiance
Hypochlorous acid (HOCl)	Cloud
Hydrogen fluoride (HF)	Cloud Top Pressure/Height
Chlorofluorocarbons	Cloud Top Temperature
Trichlorofluoromethane (CFC13/CFC-11)	Cloud Effective Emissivity
Dichlorofluoromethane (CF2Cl2/CFC-12)	Cloud Optical Depth
Carbon & hydrocarbon compounds	Cloud Reflectance
Carbon monoxide (CO)	Cloud effective Radius
Carbon dioxide (CO2)	Cloud Particle Phase
Methane (CH4)	Cloud Water Path
Methyl cyanide CH3CN	Cloud Mask
Hydrogen cyanide (HCN)	Cloud Liquid Water
Formaldehyde (HCHO)	Water vapor/Humidity
Sulfur Compounds	Temperature
Volcanic Sulfur dioxide (SO2)	Geophysical height
Enthalpy Daily Dose	Atmospheric V/Wind



Parameter Information Page - Mozilla Firefox

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Parameter Name: Nitrogen Dioxide

Other Names
Nitrogen Peroxide, NO₂

Definition
Nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), a brownish highly reactive gas, is one of the six major regulated criteria pollutant gas that can cause acute respiratory illness. Though It is found at all levels in the atmosphere, it is dense near the surface and comes mainly from vehicle exhaust and fuel combustion sources. In the troposphere it photodissociates to give free oxygen atoms, which can produce ground level ozone (smog). It also produces corrosive Nitric Acid. In the stratosphere it takes part in the catalytic ozone reduction cycle.

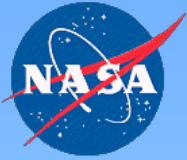
Applications
(1) Air Quality (2) Monitoring of Human Induced Pollutants (3) Health and Environment (4) Atmospheric Chemistry Models

GES DISC DAAC Data Access

To find all the products that contain data for the parameters listed on this page or a closely related parameter click on this [link](#). To view and access products from just one specific sensor click on corresponding 'data access' link in the table below.

Parameter	Units	Platform/ Instrument	Data Coverage		Data Access	Data Document
			Begin Date	End Date		
NO ₂ total and tropospheric verticle column and slant column densities(ground pixel resolution, 13x24 km at nadir)	molecules/cm ²	Aura/ OMI	2004-07-15	Current	coming soon 04/15/2005	Y
NO ₂ mixing ratios at different pressure levels (ground pixel resolution)	vmr	Aura/ HIRDLS	2004-07-15	Current	expected end of 2005	Y
NO ₂ mixing ratios at different pressure levels (Global Gridded, at equal intervals of latitude/ or equal intervals of time)	vmr	UARS/ CLAES	1991-10-25	1993-05-05	Y	Y
		UARS/ HALOE	1991-10-11	2004-04-11	Y	Y
		UARS/ ISAMS	1991-09-26	1992-07-29	Y	Y
		Nimbus-7/ LIMS	1978-10-25	1985-05-01	Y	Y

External sources for data
1. [Aura TES](#)

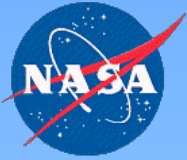


What is Giovanni?

GES-DISC Interactive Online Visualization and Analysis Infrastructure, an infrastructure for a family of Web interfaces for modelers, global and regional trends researchers, teachers, students :

- No need to learn data formats
- No need to retrieve and process data
- Everything is done via a regular Web browser
- Intuitive user-friendly interfaces customized for various disciplines
- Several statistical analysis options provided

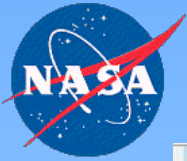
Over 15,000 Giovanni page views in April



Goals of Giovanni

- Study various phenomena interactively
- Ask what-if questions and get back answers to stimulate further investigations
- Try various combinations of parameters measured by different instruments
- Arrive at a conclusion
- Generate graphs suitable for a publication

Caution: Giovanni is an exploration tool



Giovanni

Global and Regional Archives (research quality)

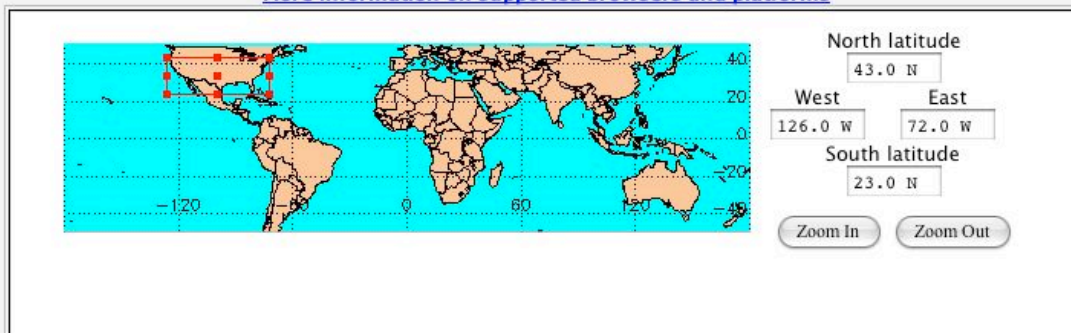
Daily Rainfall

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Click and drag to select area; or input latitudes (-50, 50) and longitudes (-180 ~ 180) or [Click for non Java/JavaScript version](#)
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Daily TRMM 3B42(V6)

Accumulated Rainfall (mm)
Rain Rate (mm/hr)

Plot Type: Time-Lon Hovmoller, Lat-averaged

Begin date: 1998 February 28 (Data Begin: 1998/01/01)

End date: 2006 February 28 (Data End: 2006/02/28)

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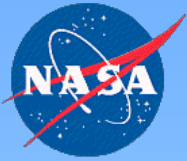
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Online Analysis:

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- Maps
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- Hovmoller
- Correlations
- Virtual products
- ASCII Output



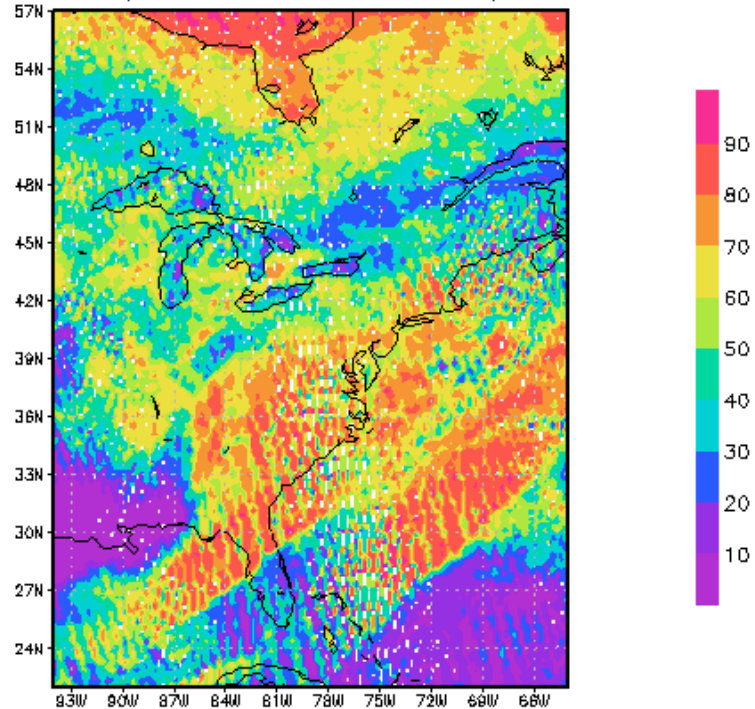
Giovanni Time-Averaged Maps

OMI Online Visualization and Analysis

Aura OMI Level 2G Daily Global Products (Beta)
(for advanced users)

Lat-Lon Map, Time-averaged

Aura OMI L2G Effective Surface Reflectivity at 360 nm [%]
(11Feb2006-12Feb2006)



GRADS: COLA/IGES

2006-12-07-00:19

Data Filtering Criteria:

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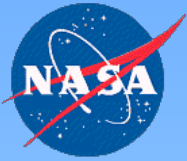
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ref360: 0-100 (%)

snow/ice: yea



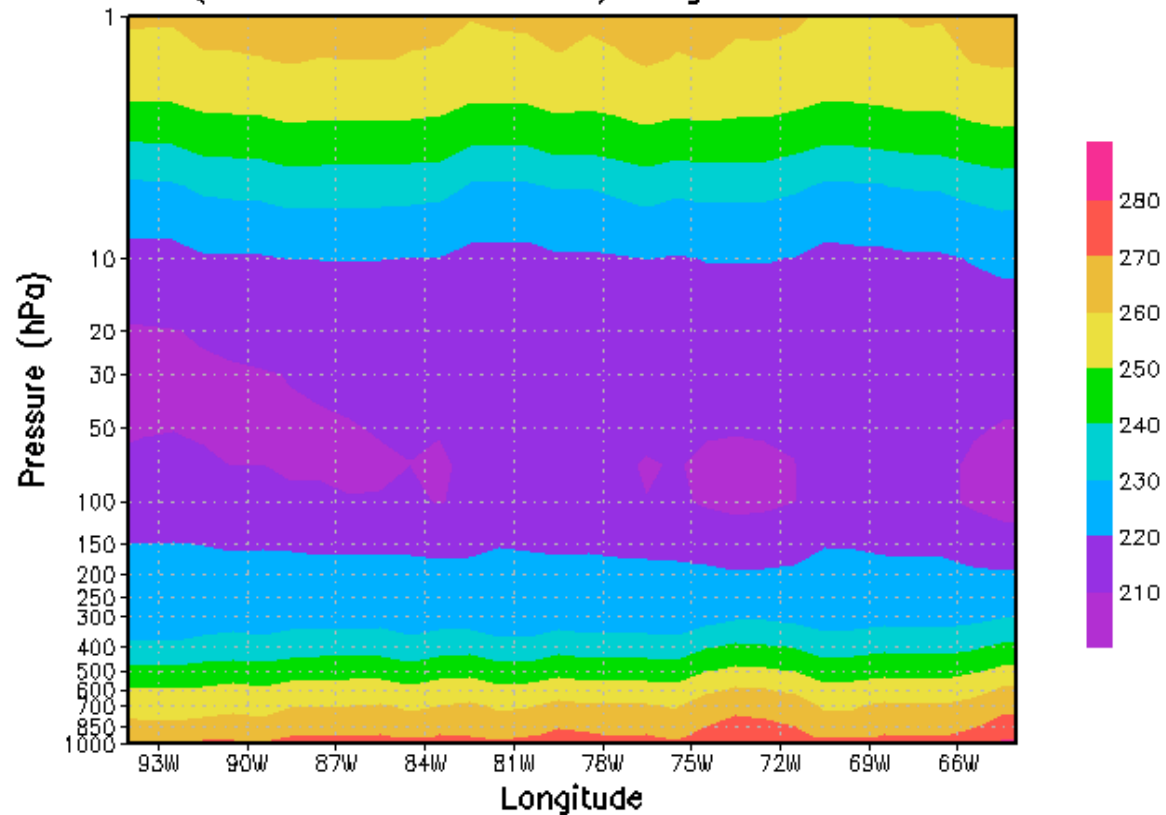
Giovanni Vertical Cross-Sections

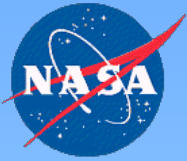
AIRS Online Visualization and Analysis

AIRS Daily Global Level 3 Products

Lon-Pressure Cross-section, Lat-averaged

Daily AIRS Temperature Ascending/Daytime[Kelvin]
(11Feb2006-12Feb2006) Avg Lats:22N-57N



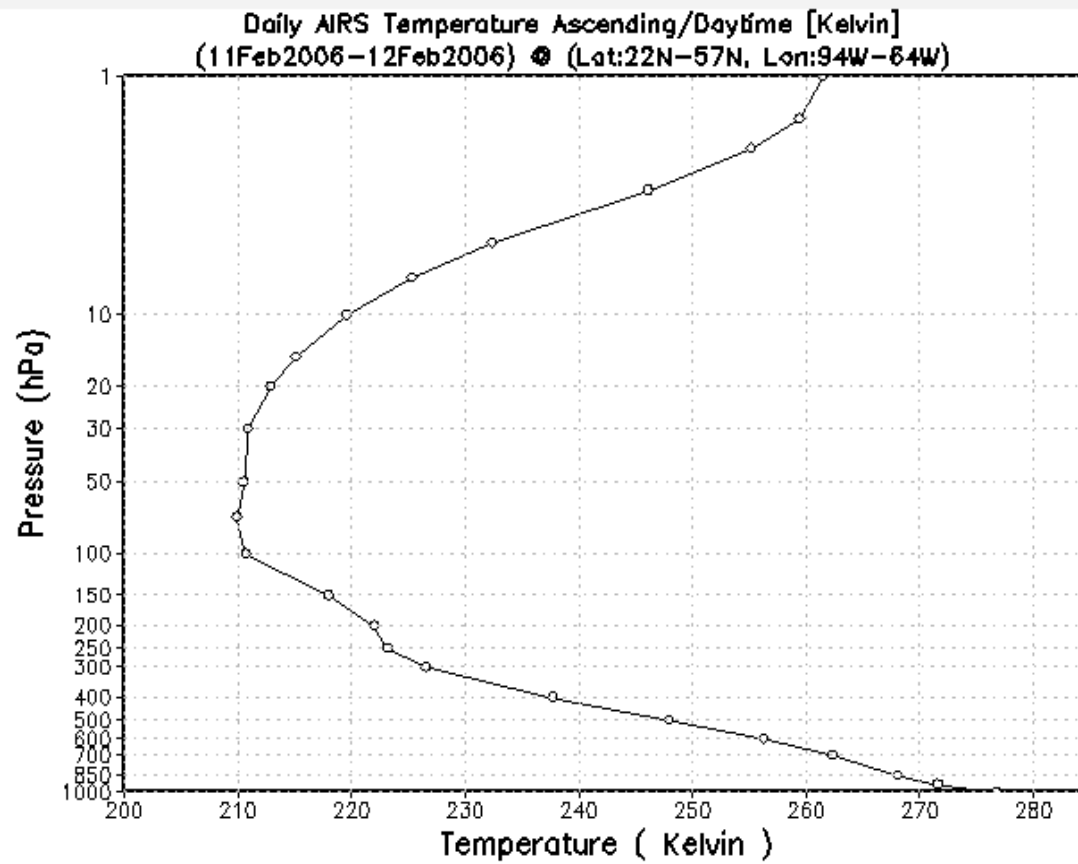


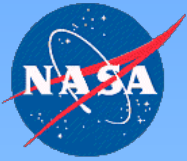
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Vertical Profile, Parameter vs. Pressure



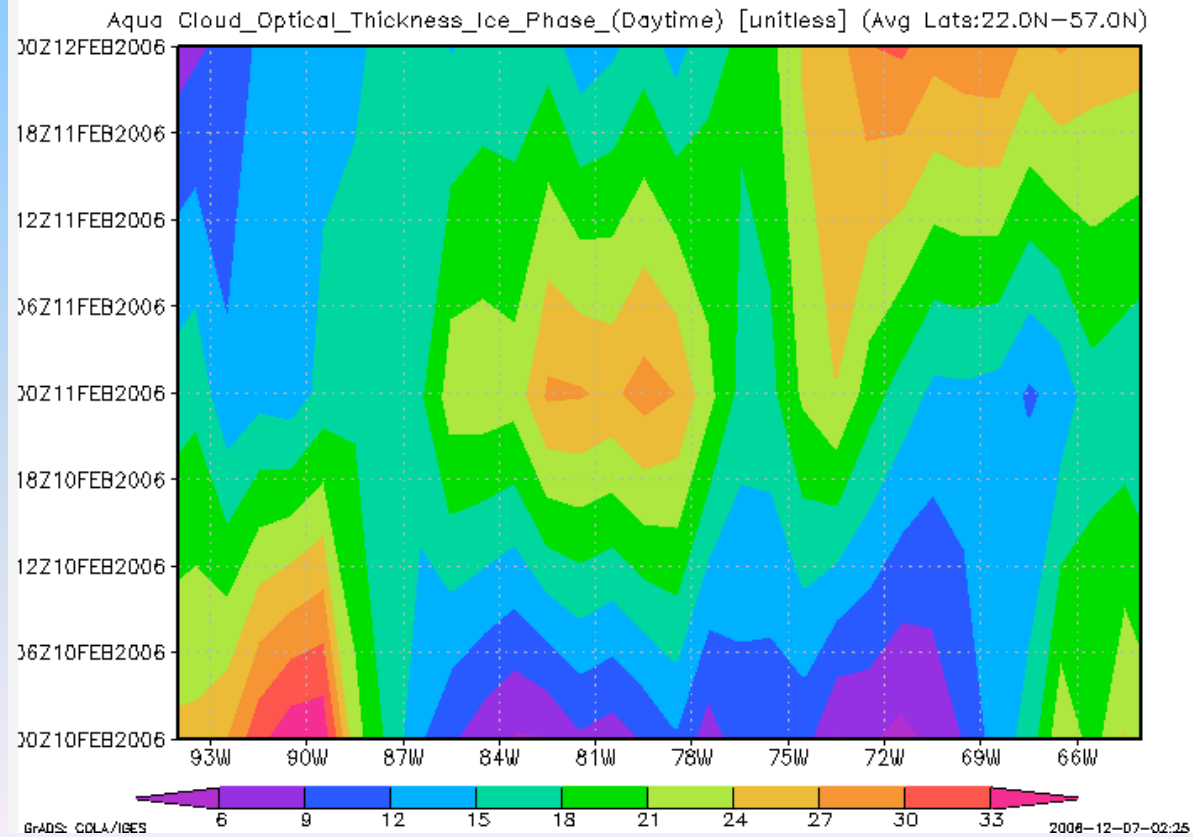


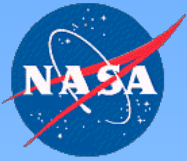
Giovanni Hovmoller

Giovanni MODIS Collection 4 Online Visualization and Analysis (MOVAS)

MODIS/Aqua Atmosphere Daily Global Product (MYD08_D3)

Time-Lon Hovmoller, Lat-averaged



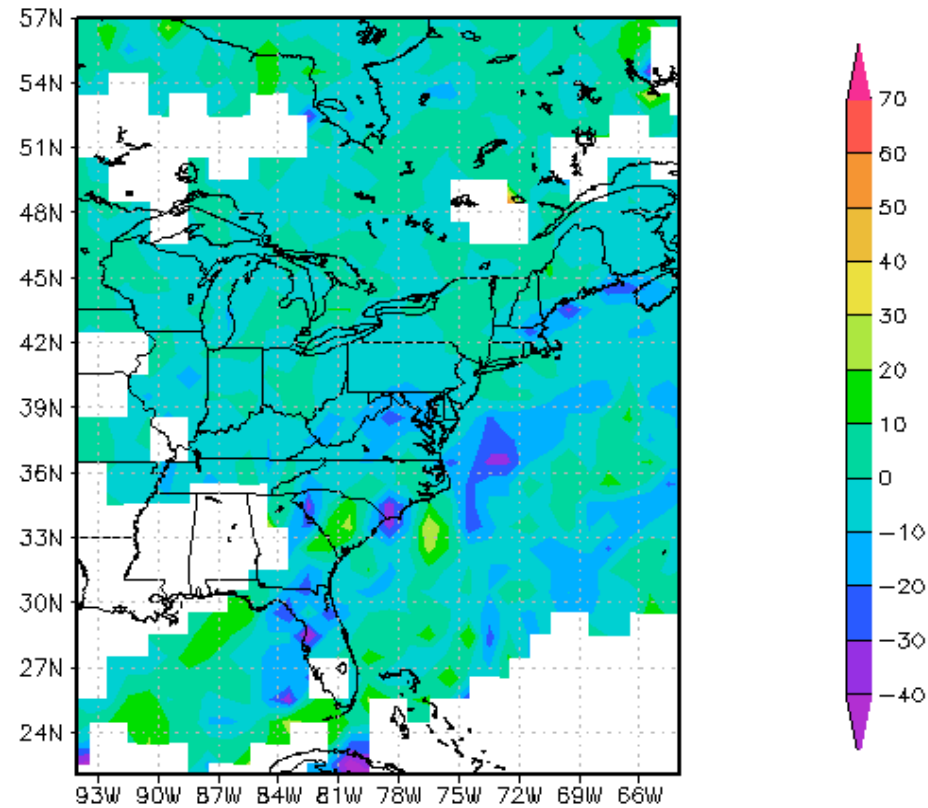


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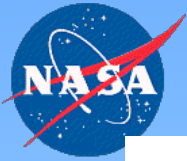
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MODIS Terra/Aqua Atmosphere Daily Global Products

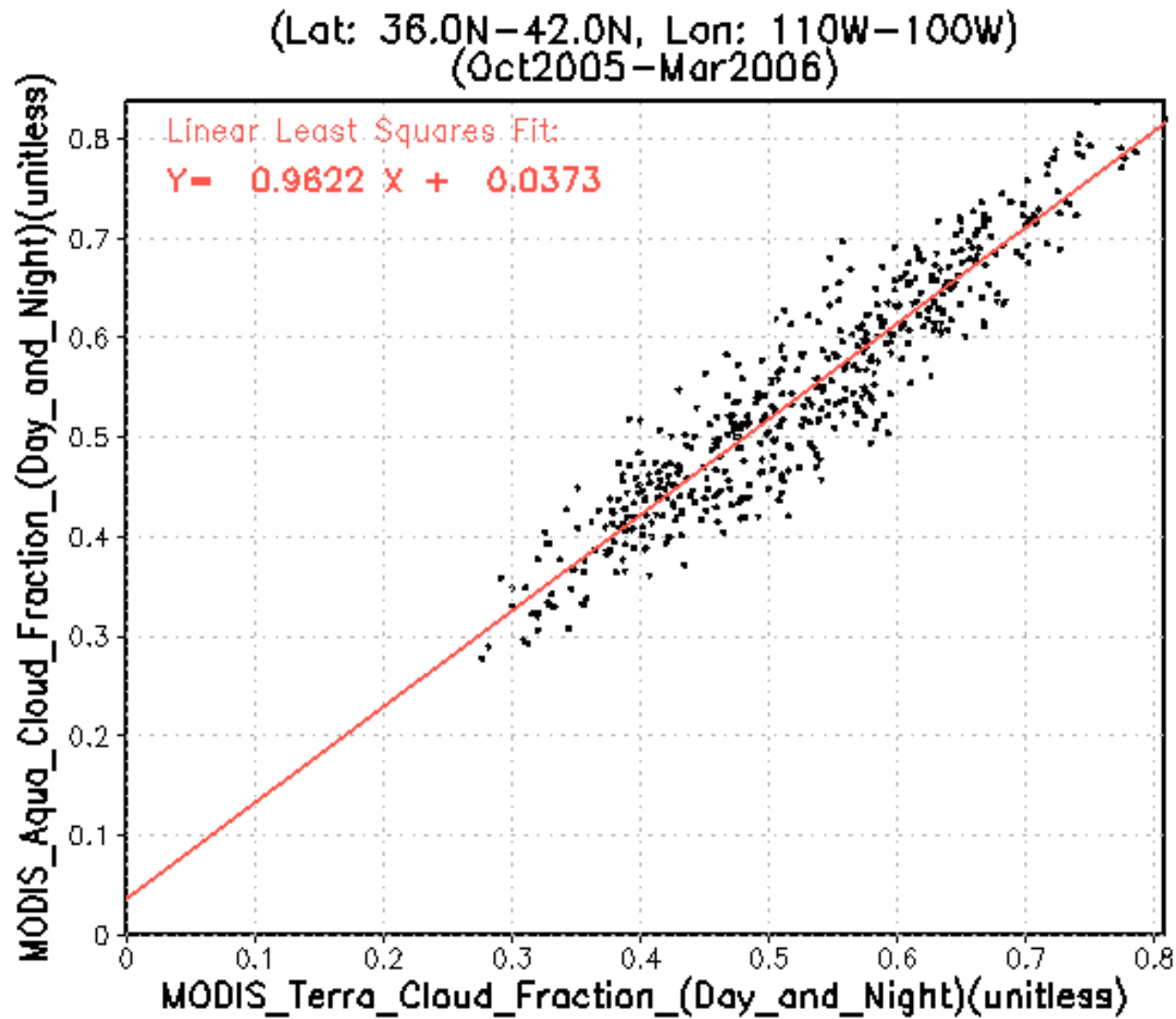
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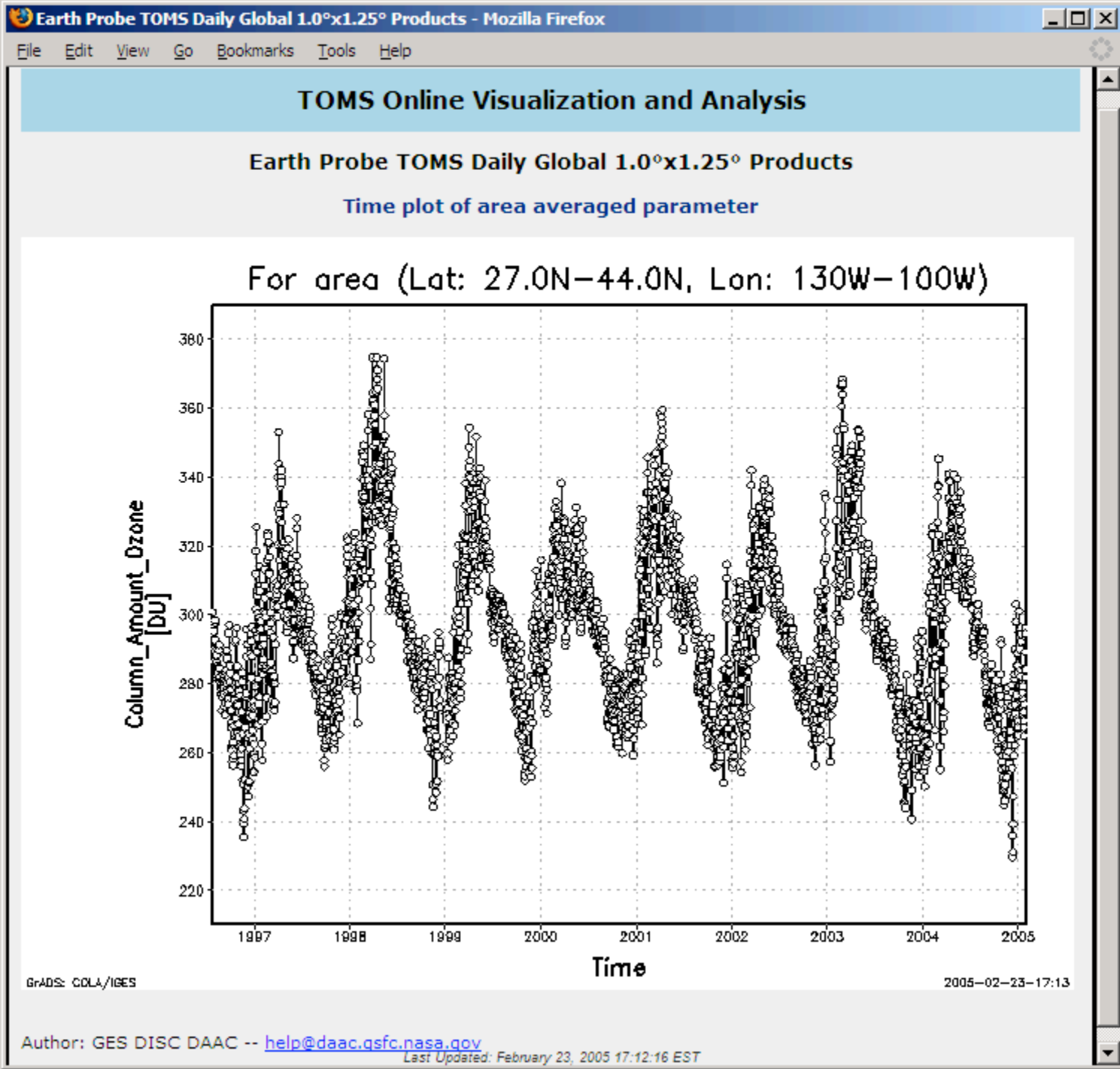
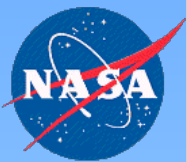


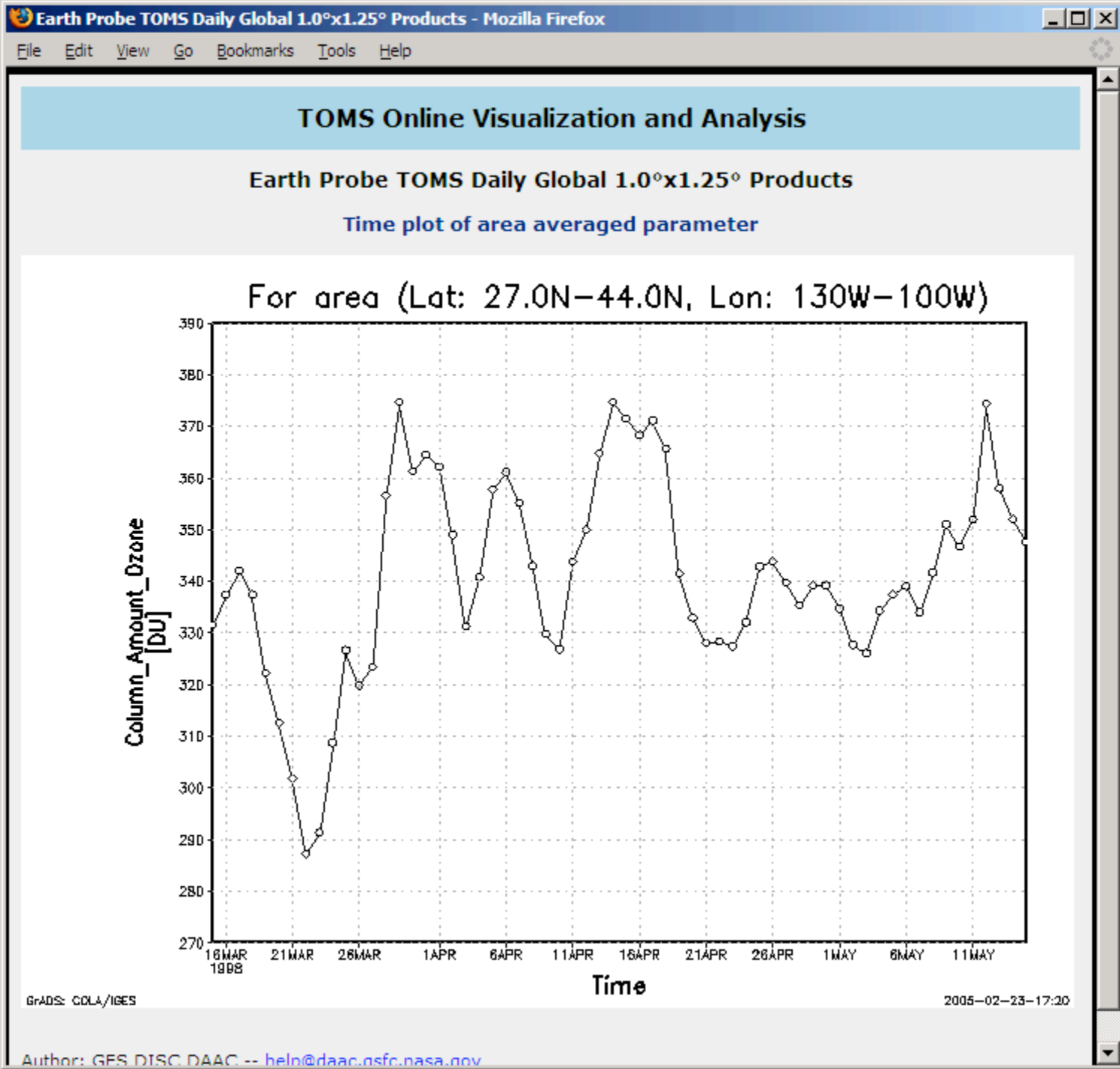
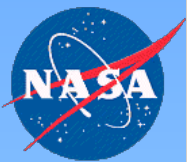
Diff(A-B) Area Plot (11Feb2006-12Feb2006)



Giovanni Intercomparison Scatter Plot









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TOMS Online Visualization and Analysis

Earth Probe TOMS Daily Global 1.0°x1.25° Products

Date: From 1998-03-21 to 1998-04-21 (Maximum of 366 images can be displayed in a loop)

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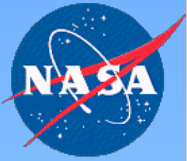
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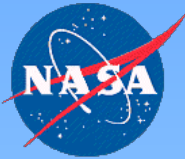
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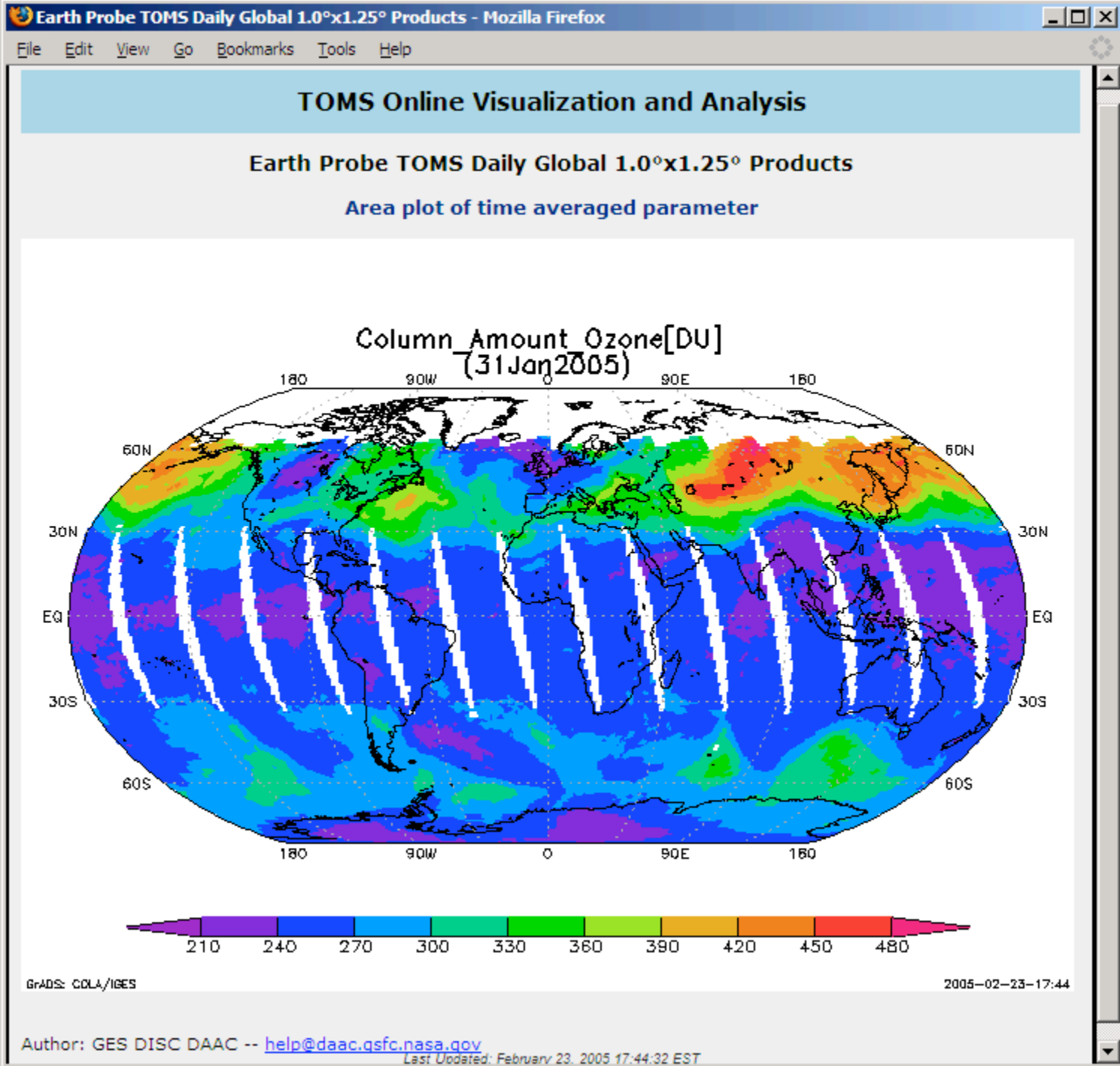
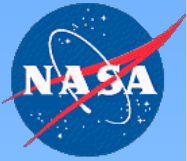
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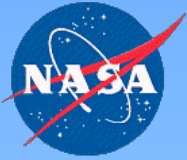
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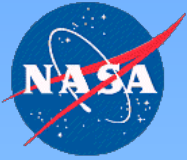
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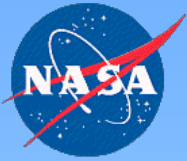
On-the-fly subsetting

- For users in need for specific channels/parameters or spatial regions
- Original data granules are in the online archive
- Users can:
 - Enter subsetting criteria through the GES DISC web interface, and:
 - Download subsets one-by-one by clicking on granules selected
 - Download an FTP script generated by the system for selected granules, and then initiate an FTP session to download all the required subsets
 - FTP directly to the online archive, and download subsets by using special extensions

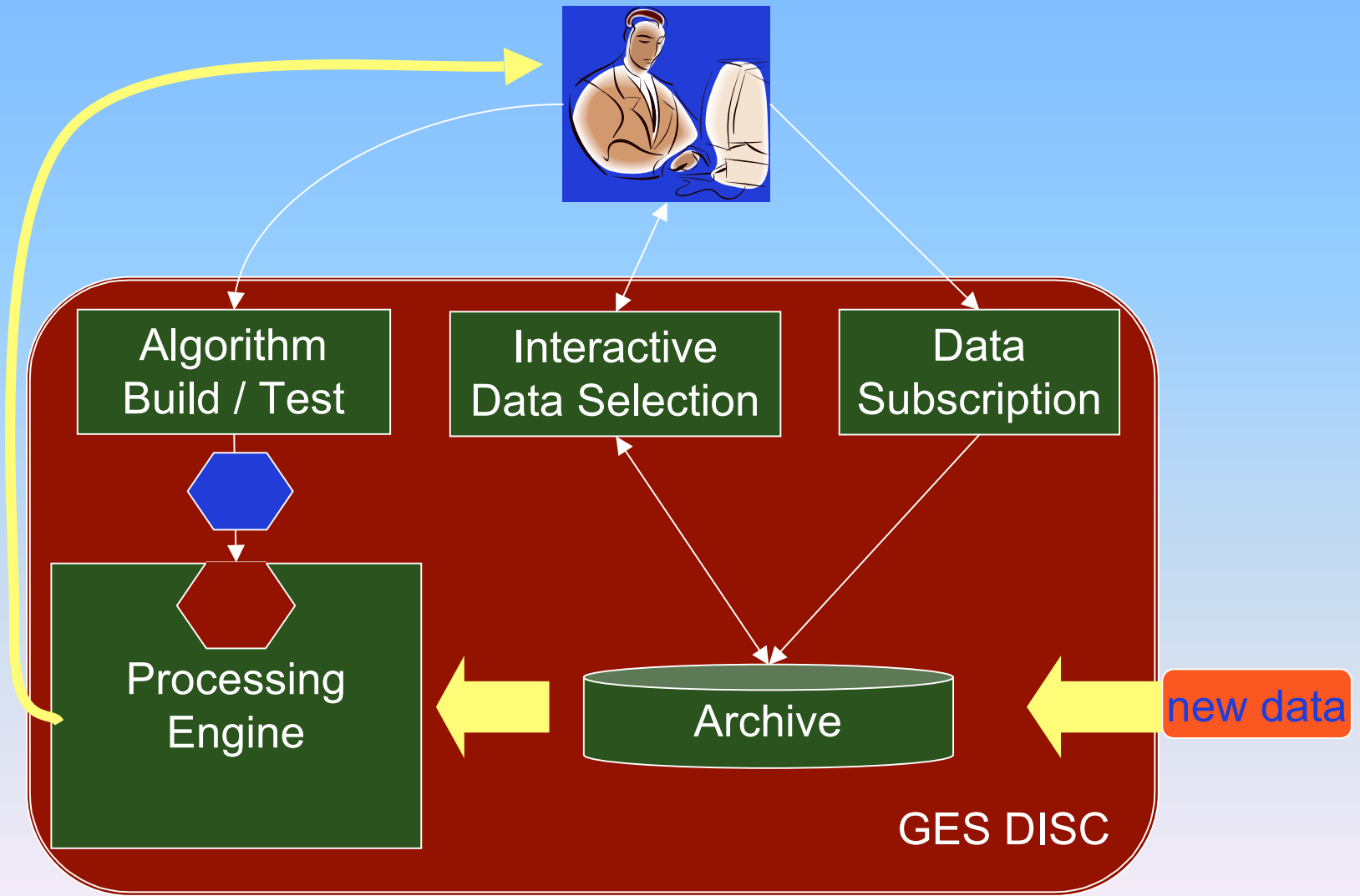


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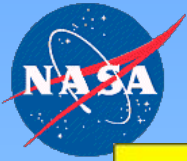
- For the same target audience as of on-the-fly subsetting
- Order is submitted to the archive system
- Selected data granules are retrieved from tapes and staged for subsetting within S4PM
- Resulting subset output delivered through standard means within 24-48 hours
- Users process output subsets themselves



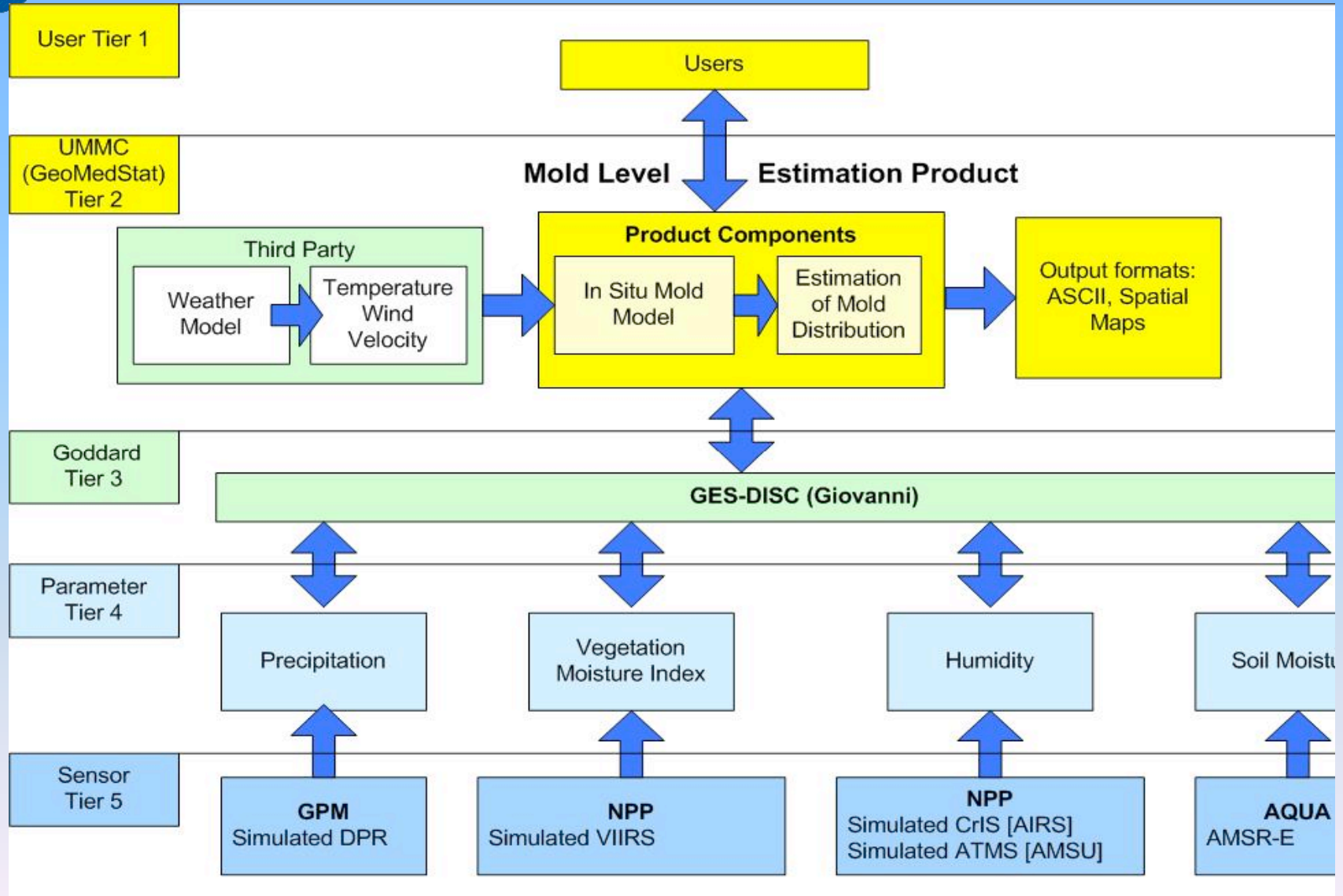
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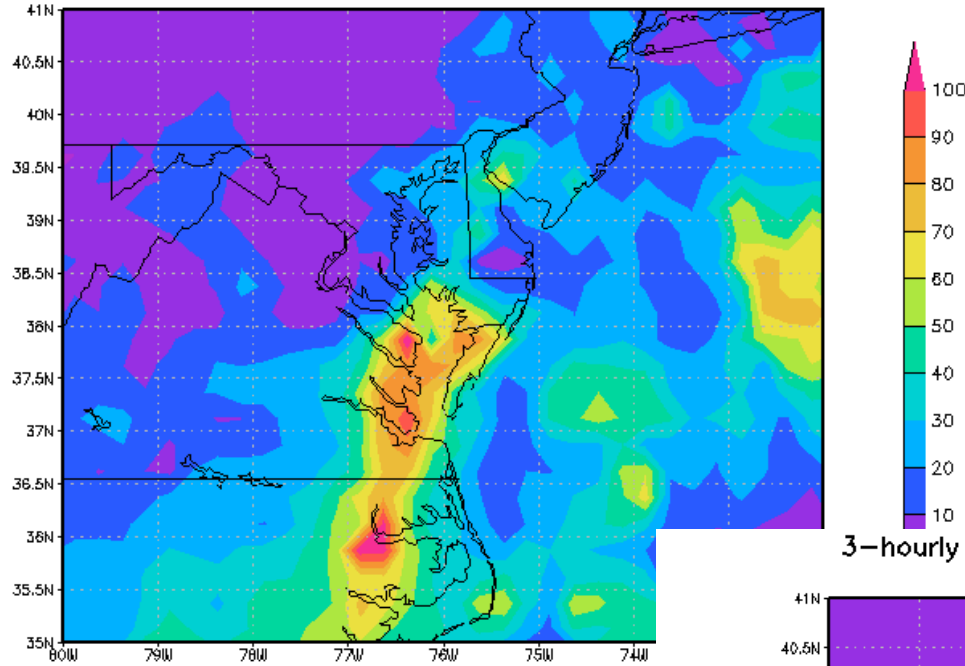
Opportunities...



Geophysical Measurements and Mold



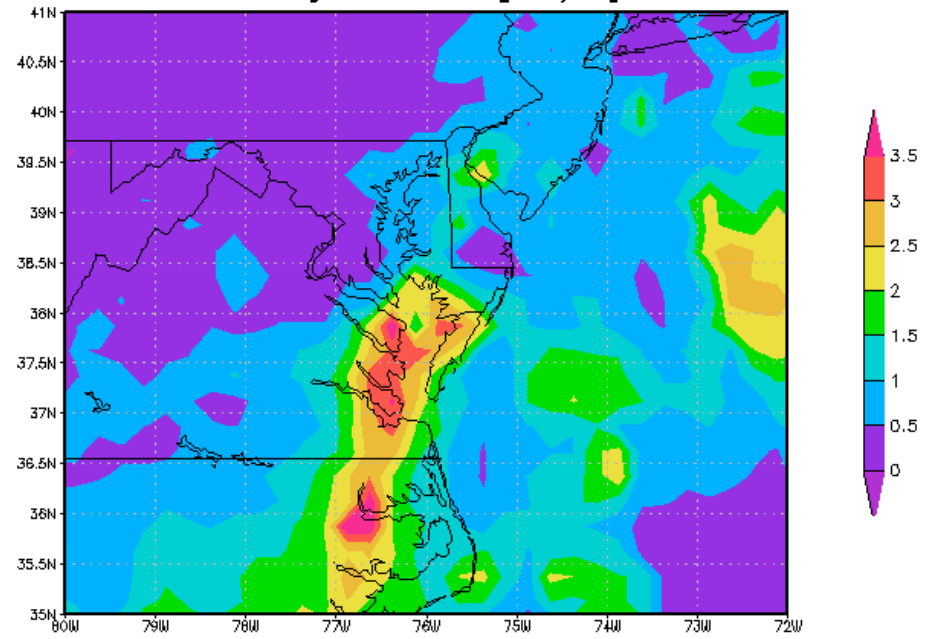
3-hourly TMPA-RT 00Z15Apr2007-00Z16Apr2007
Accumulated Rainfall [mm]



GrADS: GOLA/IGES

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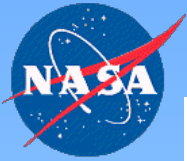
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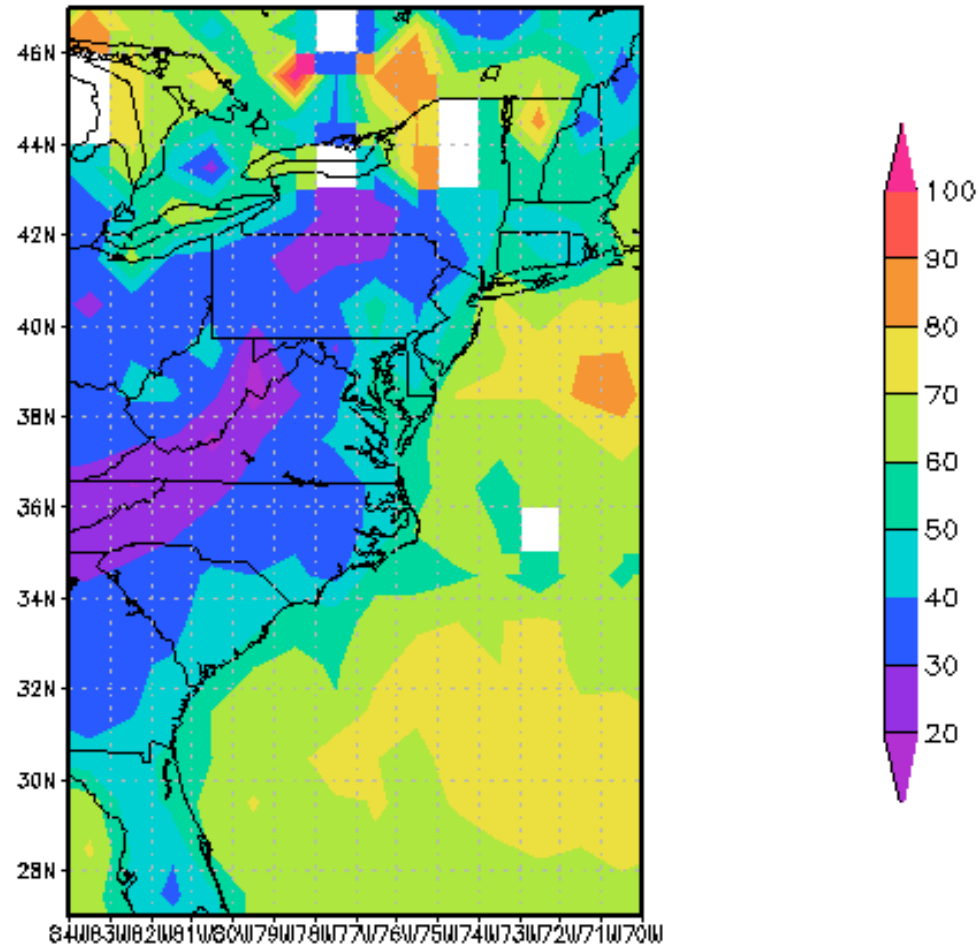
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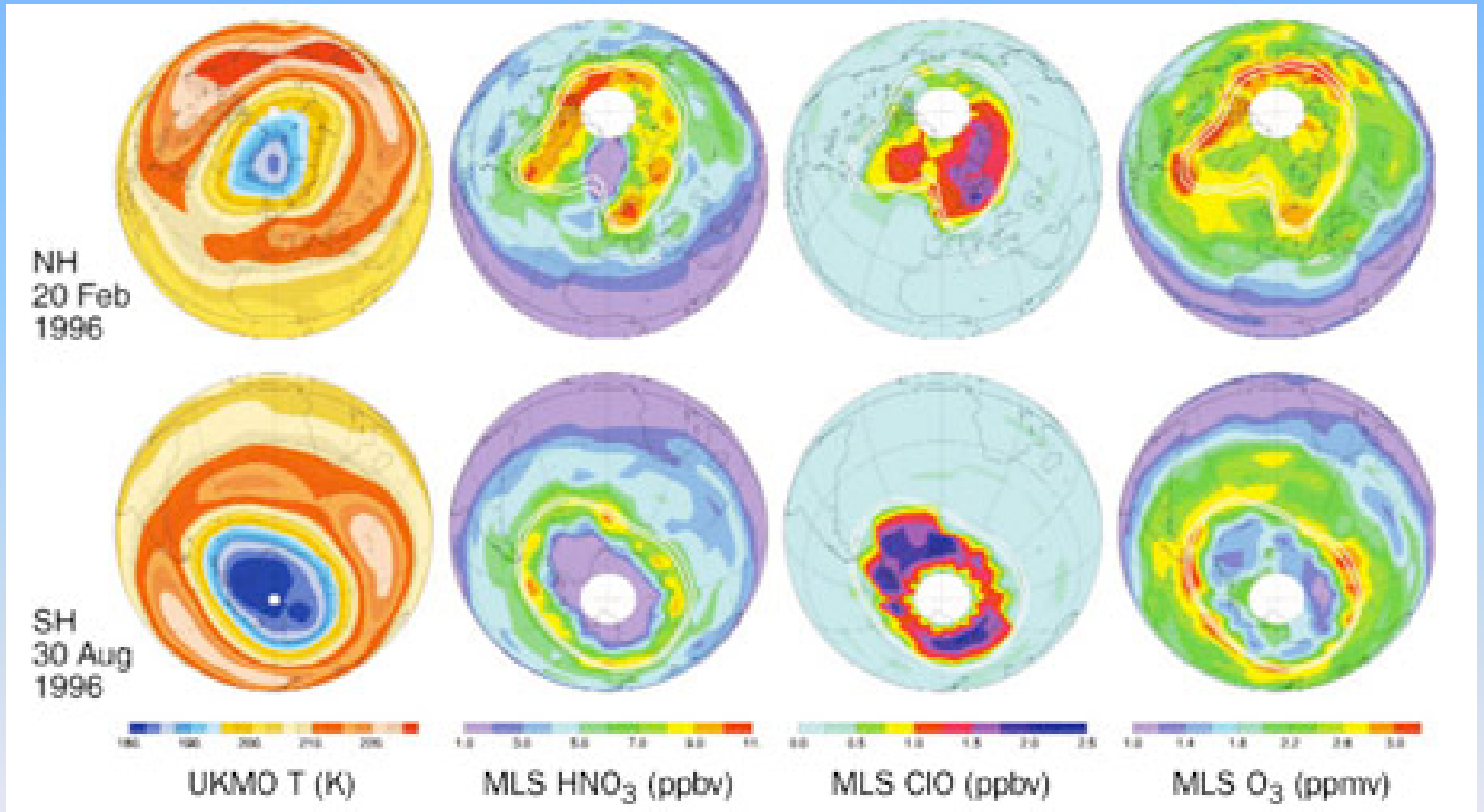
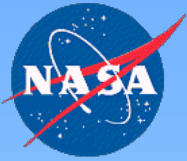
Daily AIRS Relative Humidity Ascending/Daytime [%] (01Apr2007-10Apr2007) @ (1000.0 hpa)



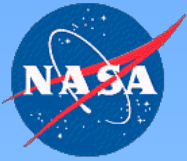
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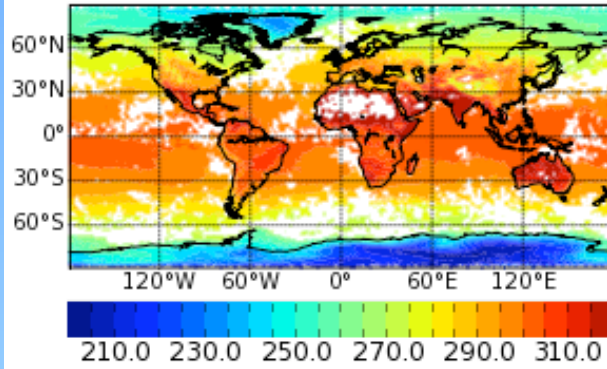


ARS MLS simultaneously mapped key chemical constituents nitric acid, chlorine monoxide, and ozone over the winter polar regions in both Northern (upper) and Southern (lower) Hemispheres where the greatest ozone loss occurs. Aura MLS maps these and other chemicals with better coverage and larger altitude range than UARS MLS. Credit: Michelle Santee

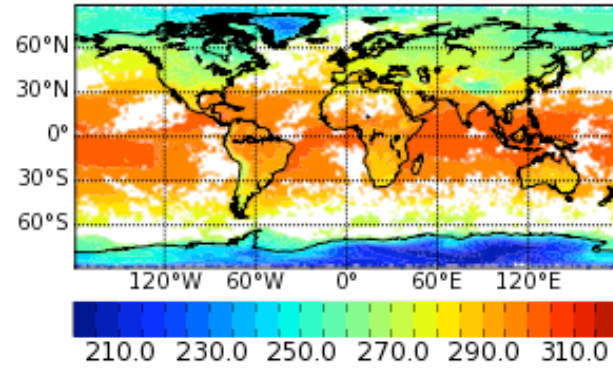


AIRS Level-3 8-Day Quicklook for Apr 08, 2007 - Apr 15, 2007

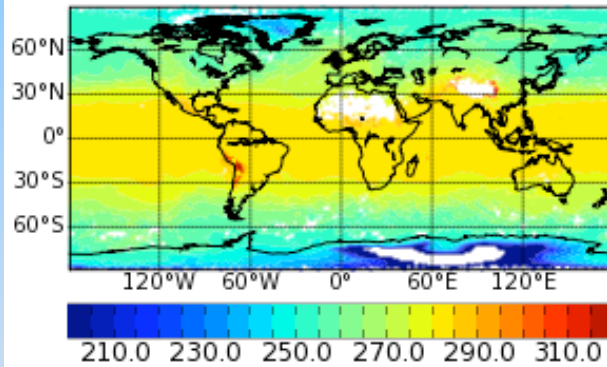
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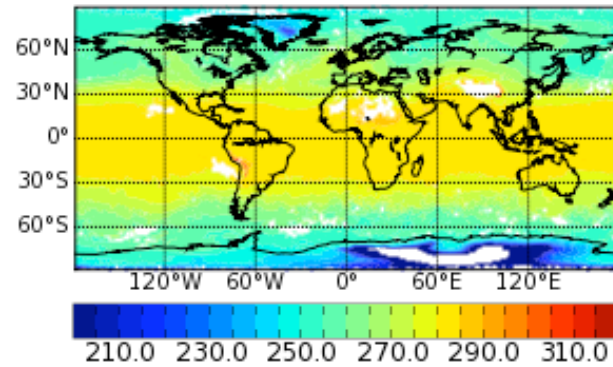
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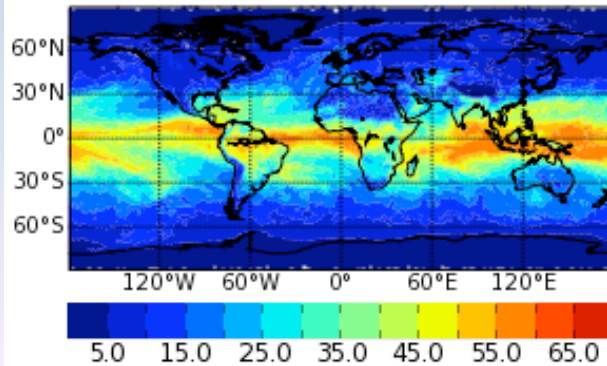
Temperatures at 700 mb (deg K; ascending)



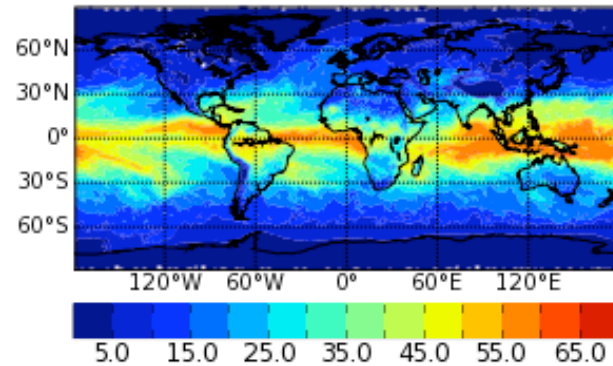
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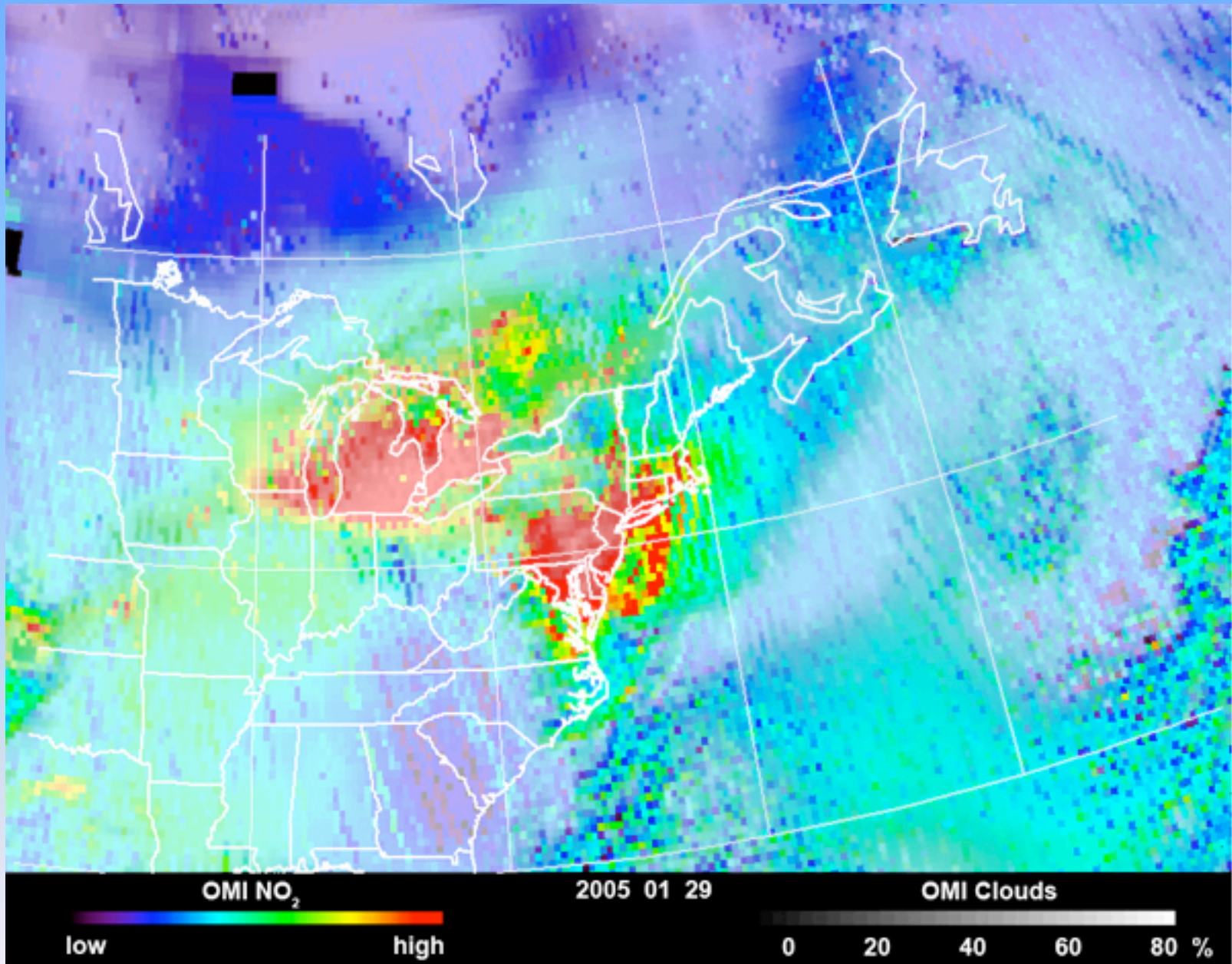
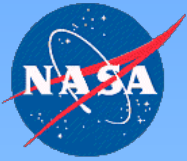


Total Precipitable Water (mm; ascending)

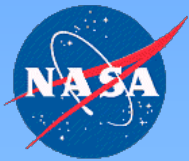


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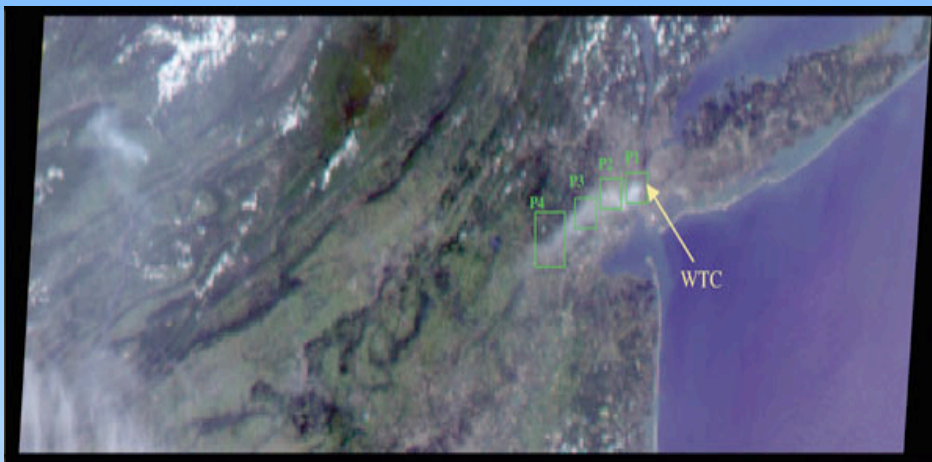




OMI NO₂ image showing the total column amount of nitrogen dioxide above the USA east coast on 29 January 2005 (Jim Gleason)



MISR Smoke Plume Dispersal from the World Trade Center Disaster



Scientists from the Environmental and Occupational Health Science Institute Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and Rutgers University, in partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency and NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory created a detailed numerical model showing pollutant dispersion from "Ground Zero" to the surrounding New York - New Jersey region. The researchers used models of micrometeorological atmospheric circulation and tracer transport, surface measurements, and space-based observations from the high-resolution Landsat imager and the Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer (MISR) on NASA's Terra satellite. JPL scientists used MISR stereo images combined with ground-based photographs of the plume, to determine the plume height. A natural color MISR image appears here (acquired by MISR's 70° forward-viewing camera on September 12) along with histograms of stereo-derived elevations at four points (P1, P2, P3, P4) progressing from the World Trade Center to about 70 kilometers downwind. MISR also provided information about plume evolution.

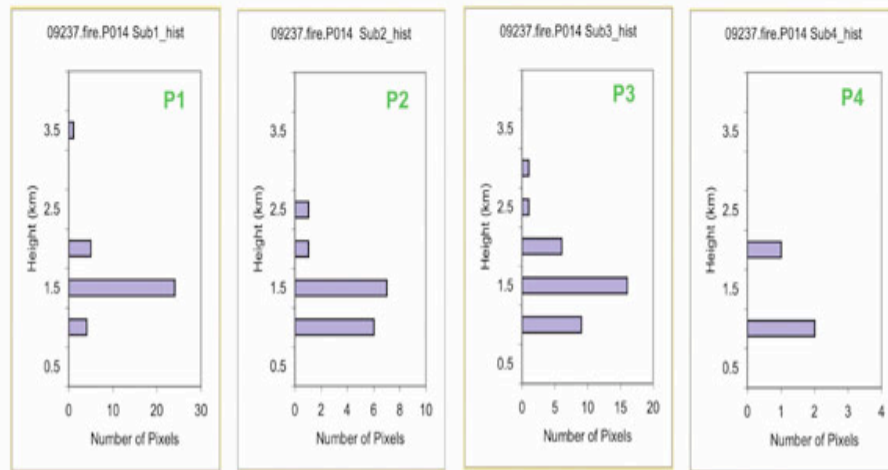
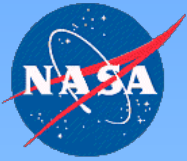
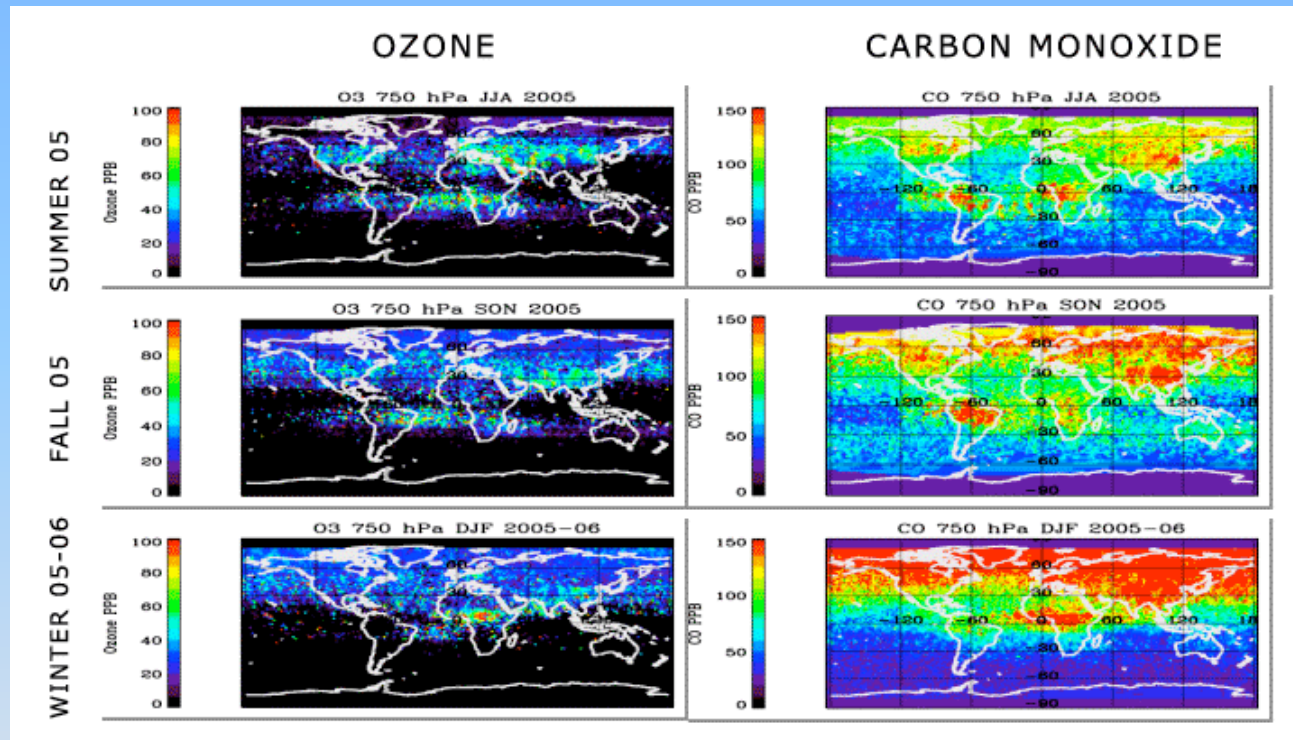


Image credit: NASA/GSFC/LaRC/JPL, MISR Team.
Stenchikov, G., N. Lahoti, D.J. Diner, R. Kahn, P. Liroy, and P. Georgopoulos (2006): Multiscale plume transport from the collapse of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Environmental Fluid Mech., doi 10.1007/s10652-006-9001-8.

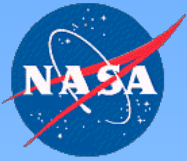


First Maps of Tropospheric Ozone & Carbon Monoxide from TES

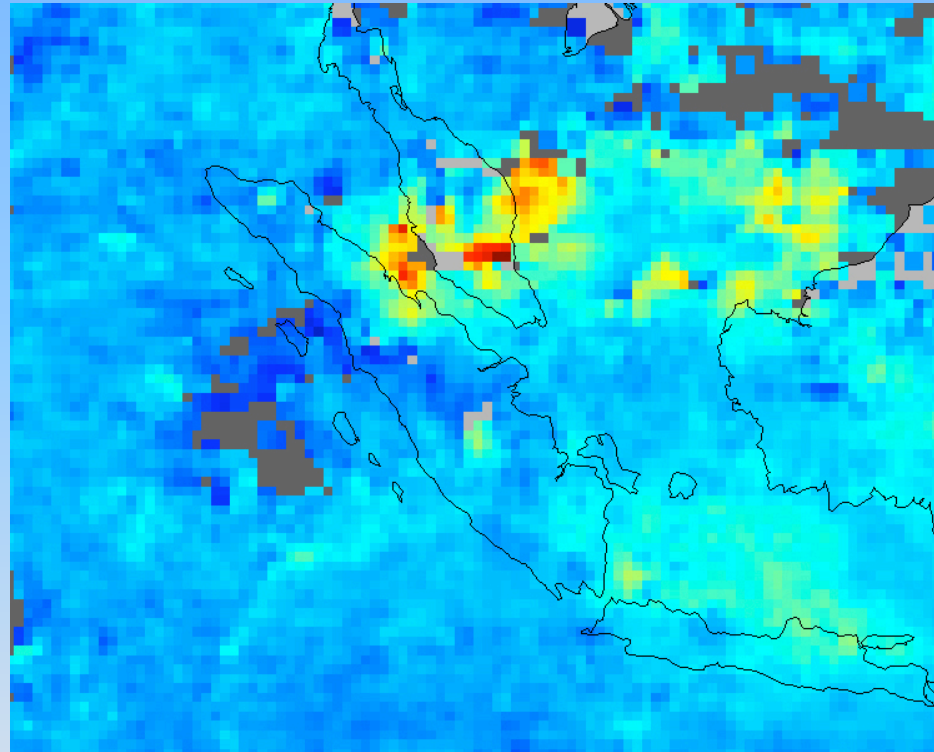


Tropospheric Emission Spectrometer (TES) onboard the Aura satellite provides coincident measurements of tropospheric ozone and carbon monoxide critical for understanding complex tropospheric chemical and dynamical processes.

Note the high ozone (O₃) coincident with carbon monoxide (CO) in the Tropics associated with biomass burning. These maps illustrate the complexity using coincident measurements for three seasons - northern hemisphere summer (JJA, top), fall (SON, middle) and winter (DJF, bottom). During SON and DJF, areas of high tropospheric O₃ are collocated with areas of high CO. During JJA, in the tropics tropospheric O₃ is high and collocated with high CO, but in the northern hemisphere, tropospheric O₃ is high but is not collocated with high CO.

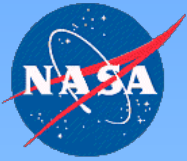


MOPITT Captures Air Quality Emergency



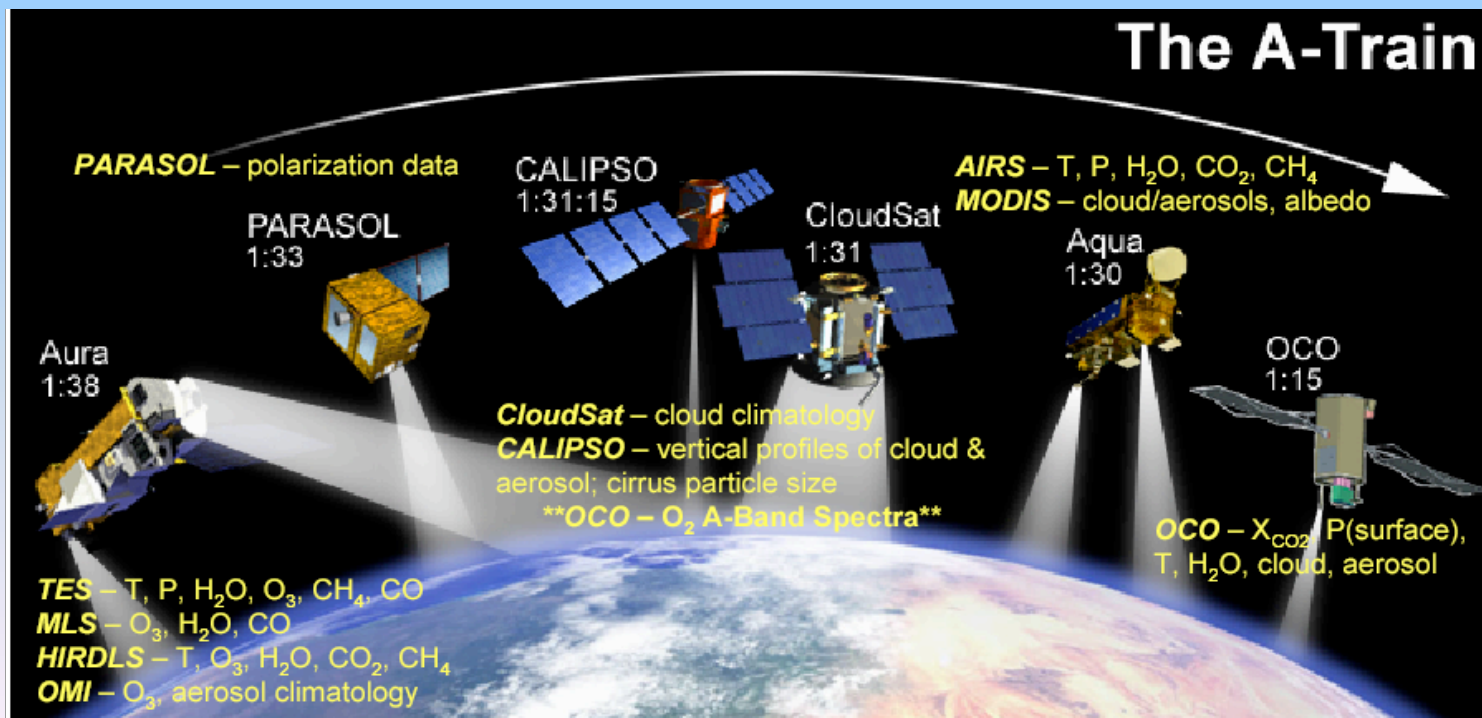
Measurements of Pollution In The Troposphere (MOPITT) onboard the Terra spacecraft detected large amounts of carbon monoxide released by fires in Malaysia. Carbon monoxide is a good tracer of pollution since it is produced as a by-product of the combustion associated with wildfires and agricultural fires.

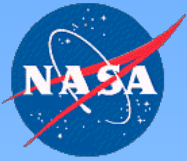
This image shows carbon monoxide concentrations for August 1 through August 15, 2005. The highest concentrations, shown in red and yellow, are located over Malaysia where **an air quality emergency was declared**. In these regions, for every billion molecules in a column of the atmosphere, 240 are carbon monoxide molecules. By contrast, regions unaffected by haze have less than 120 molecules per billion. High concentrations of carbon monoxide are a threat to human health.



The A-Train

- The A-Train is a succession of six U.S. and international sun-synchronous orbit satellites: OCO, Aqua, CloudSat, CALIPSO, PARASOL, and Aura
- The A-Train formation allows for synergistic atmospheric composition and cloud measurements where data from several different satellites can be used together to obtain comprehensive information about various key atmospheric components or processes.





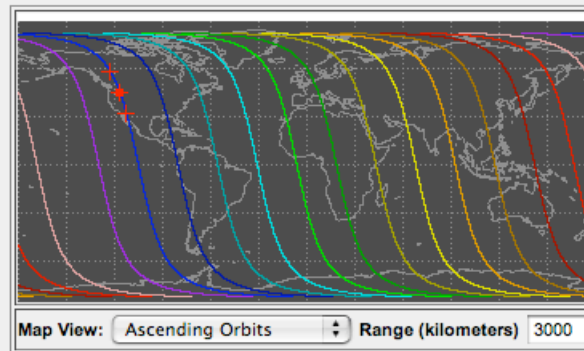
Giovanni Orbit Picker

A-Train Along CloudSat Track Beta Instance

Produces curtain plots (vertical profiles) of CloudSat atmospheric returns, and MODIS/Aqua absolute and dew point atmospheric temperatures collocated with CloudSat track.

Select Constraints:

Spatial



Parameters

Click in the group title cell (left-most column) to select all parameters associated with the group; ctrl-click to de-select

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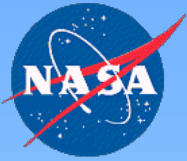
Temporal

Orbit Date Year: 2007 Month: Apr Day: 22 (Range: 02 Jun 2006 - 22 Apr 2007)

Select Visualization:

Subset Parameter vs. Pressure along Cloudsat Track

Generate Visualization Reset **Alert:** A new window will be opened when "Generate Visualization" is selected.



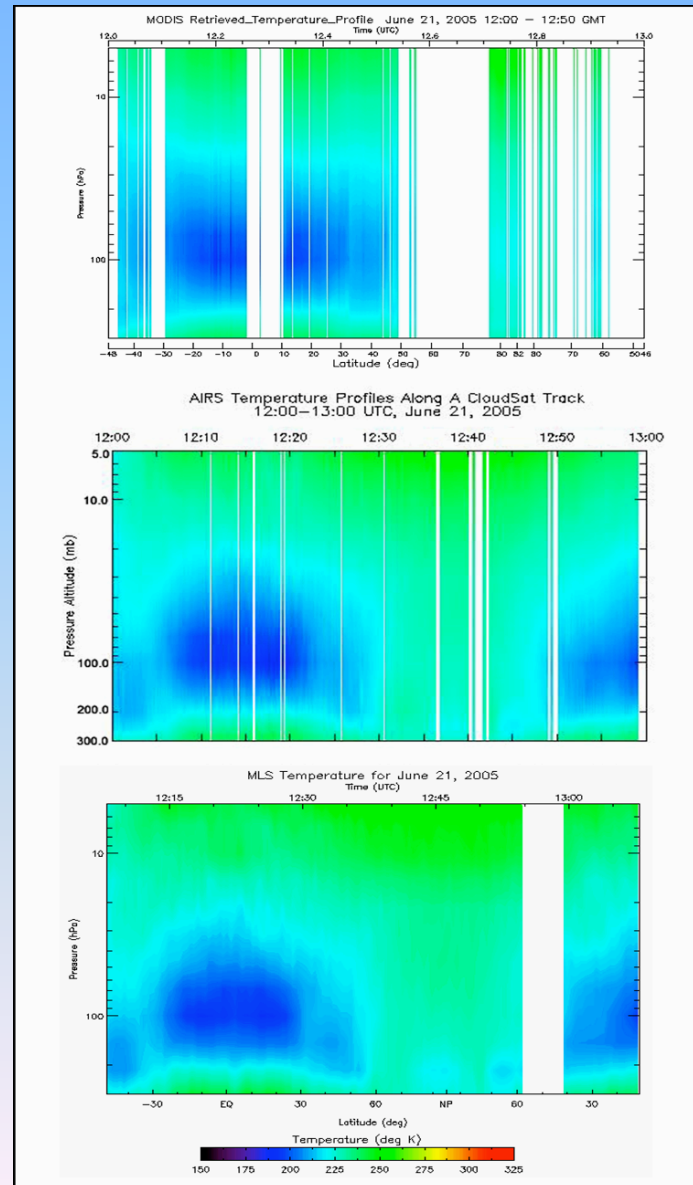
Curtain Inter-Comparison

AIRS-MODIS-MLS inter-comparison

Moderate
Resolution Imaging
Spectroradiometer
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Atmospheric
Infrared Sounder
(AIRS)

Microwave Limb
Sounder (MLS)



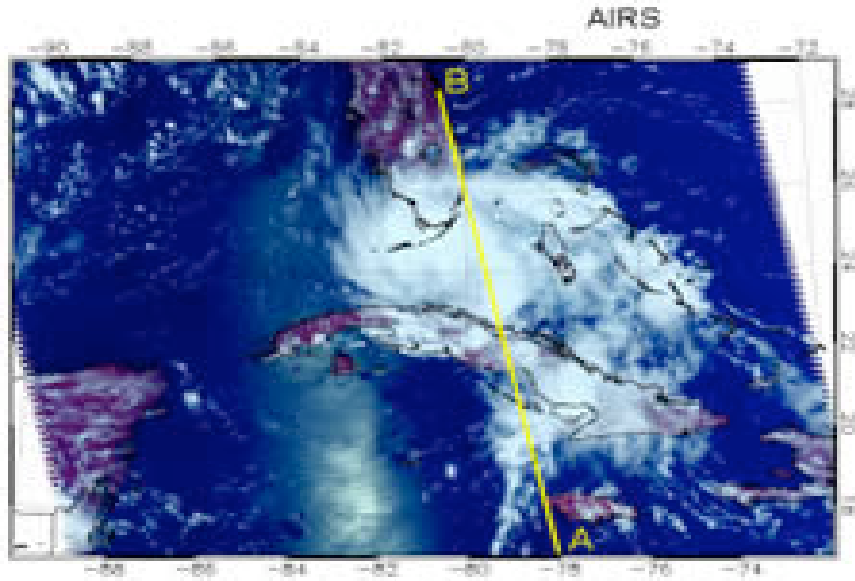
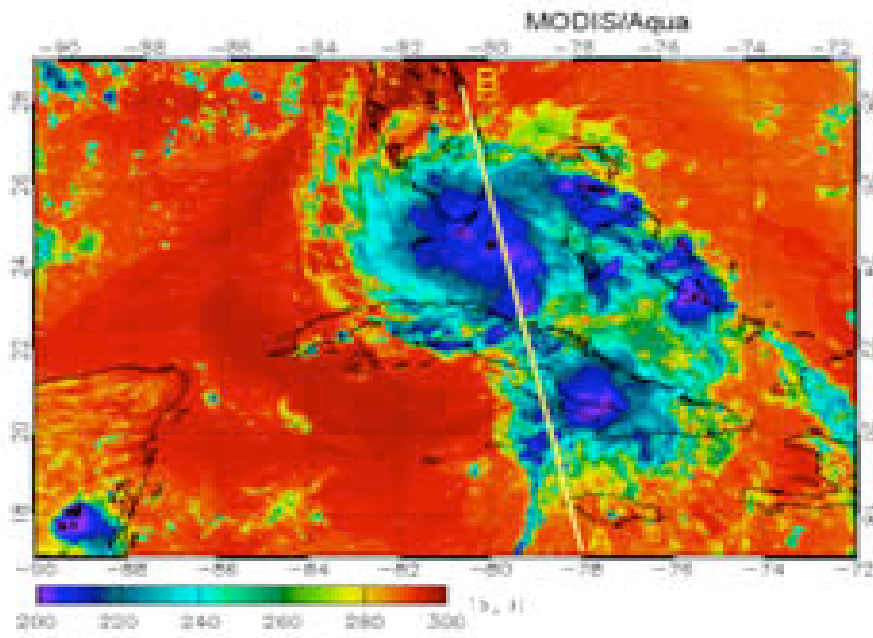
MODIS--AIRS--MLS
Temperature “curtains”
along the CloudSat track

300.0-5.0 mb

06/21/05

12:00 to 12:50 GMT

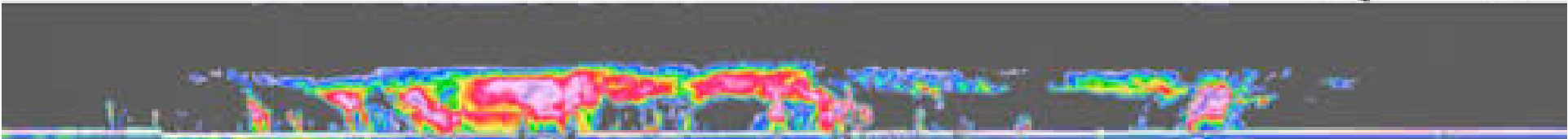
August 29, 2006



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CloudSat

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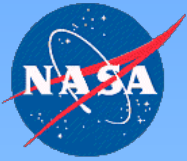


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Time 18:48:43 18:45:32 | Lat 28.6 17.1 | Lon -80.8 -78.0

CIRA CloudSat



Calipso

(Demonstration data, not for science)

Calipso 532 nm Total Attenuated Backscatter, /km/sr 08/23/06 21: 0.6 – 21: 4.2 UTC

