

Value adding Science

ARM

CLIMATE RESEARCH FACILITY

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Outline

- Sounding Value Added Products (Jensen)
- The ARM radar network (Collis)
- Cloud Radar Value Added products (Jensen)
- Precipitation Radar Value Added Products (Collis)

Merged Sounding (MS)

Developer: David Troyan

- Uses a combination of radiosonde profiles, MWR integrated water vapor, surface meteorology, and ECMWF model output to provide a thermodynamic profile of the atmosphere at one minute intervals
- Version 2 (available as an Evaluation Product)
 - Uses ARM radiosondes corrected for using Miloshevich method
 - 315 Altitude Levels to 60 km AGL

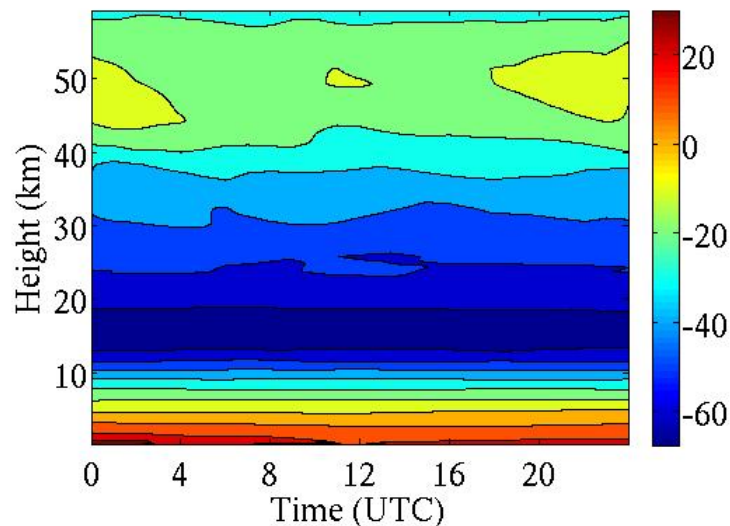
Interpolated Sonde

- Intermediate step in MS processing
- Immediate users - radar VAPs

Sonde Adjust

- Corrects the dry-bias found in Vaisala (RS-80 , RS-90, RS-92)radiosondes
- Employs the correction algorithms described in
 - Miloshevich et. al. (2001, 2004, 2006)
 - Turner et. al. (2003)
 - Wang et. al. (2002)
 - Vomel et. al. (2007)

SGP 7/21/09 Temp MS v2



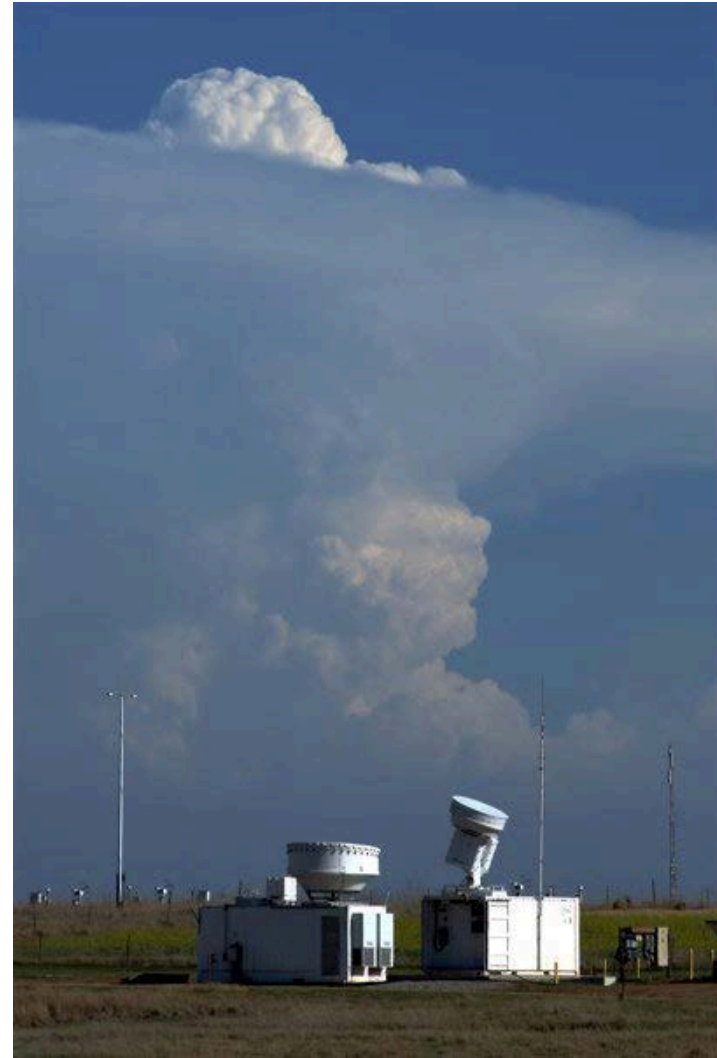
Data Availability for Sounding VAPs

Datastream/Site	mergesonde1mace	sondeadjust	mergesonde2mace	Interpolatedsonde
Location	Data Archive	Evaluation Area	Evaluation Area	Beta Version*
SGP	1996-2011	1996-2009	2002-2009	2011
NSA	2002-2011	2002-2009		
TWP C1	2000-2011	2000-2008	2008	2011
TWP C2	2002-2011	1999, 2001-2008		
TWP C3	2002-2011	2002-2008	2008	
PYE	X	X	X	
NIM	X	X	X	
FKB	X	X	X	
HFE	X	X	X	
GRW	X	X	X	

Radar Types

- Scanning ARM Precipitation sensitive Radar, SAPR.
 - Two variants.
 - C-Band or 5cm wavelength radar.
 - X-Band or 3cm wavelength radar.
 - Main product is a nested constant elevation scans suitable for mapping to a model like grid.
- Scanning ARM Cloud sensitive Radar: SACR.
 - Two variants.
 - Dual frequency Ka/W band.
 - Dual frequency Ka/X band.
 - Scanning is prioritizes the detection of cloud layers, rotating through several modes.
- And of course the workhorse of the program, the Ka Band Zenith Radar, KaZR.

Radar Types



ASR Science team meeting 2012, Cloud Lifecycle Working Group.



Tropical Western Pacific

Darwin

- Ka/X band SACR, No data at archive yet.
- KAZR.
- BoM operated CPOL radar at Gunn Point (non-ARRA).
- LONG record of CPOL data, shorter record of distrometer measurements.
- Maritime continent, Highly seasonal (buildup, active/suppressed monsoon, break, dry).

Manus

- Ka/X SACR, no data at archive yet.
- KAZR.
- CSAPR ~7km West of CF.
- Unique location, MJO influenced, very different morphology and temporal evolution to Darwin.
- Very brief data set, only a few months of distrometer and radar data.

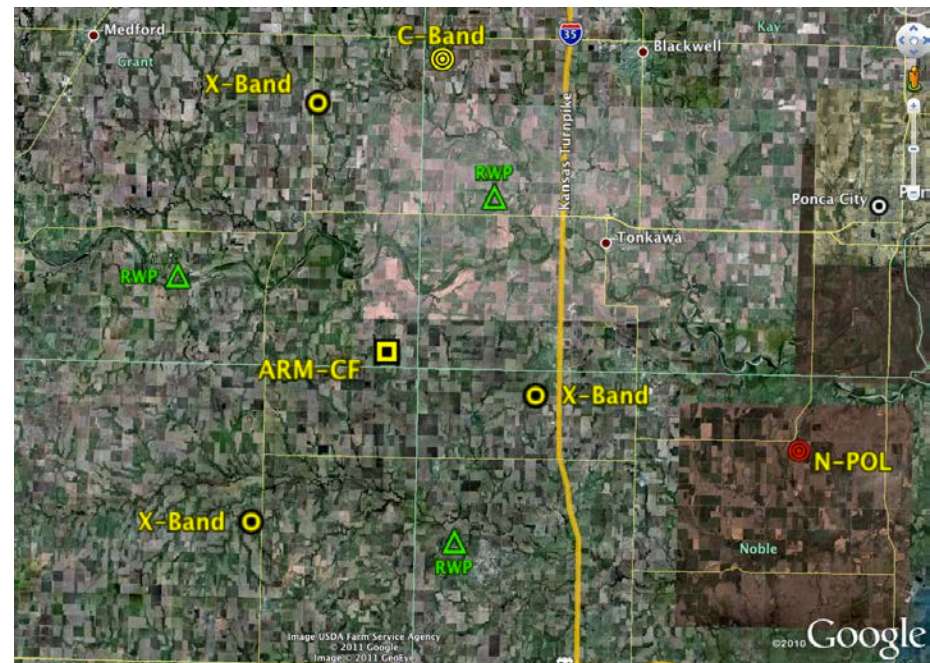
North Slope of Alaska

- Ka/W SACR, some data available at archive.
- KAZR.
- X-SAPR, some downtime.
- Very low tilt added to track sea ice.
- Northernmost weather radar installation in the world.
- VERY challenging environment for “classical” precipitation radar retrievals.



Southern Great Plains

- Think of it the Southern Great Plains multi-frequency multi-scale radar facility.
- Ka/W band SACR, long but spotty data in Archive, some data from the end of MC3E.
- KAZR.
- Three synchronized X-SAPR systems monitoring the dynamical environment. Complimented by three UHF ARM Zenith Radars UAZR.
- C-SAPR providing larger scale monitoring of the microphysical environment.



Mobile Facilities.

- Both have a KAZR.
- AMF 1 has a Ka/W SACR, no data available from GVAX.
- AMF 2 has a Ka/X SACR, limited data available from Gan Island.
- Ka/X will not be going to MAGIC, but the W band radar will be modified to become a Marine W band ARM Cloud Radar or WACR.

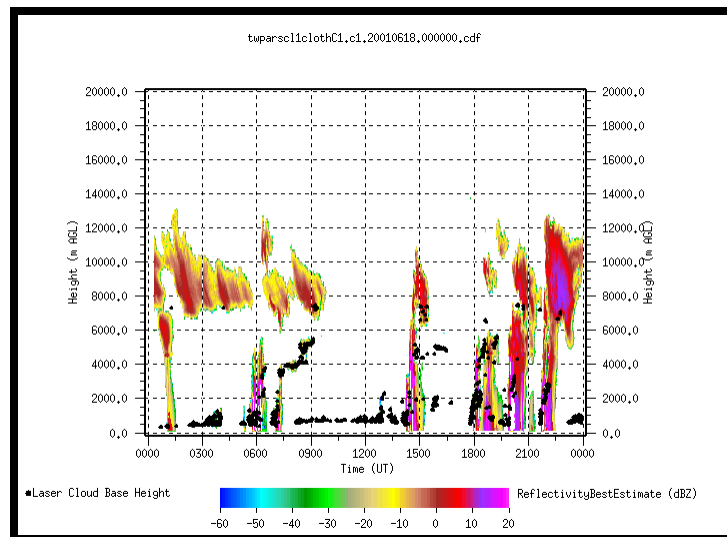


Active Remote Sensing of Clouds (ARSCL)

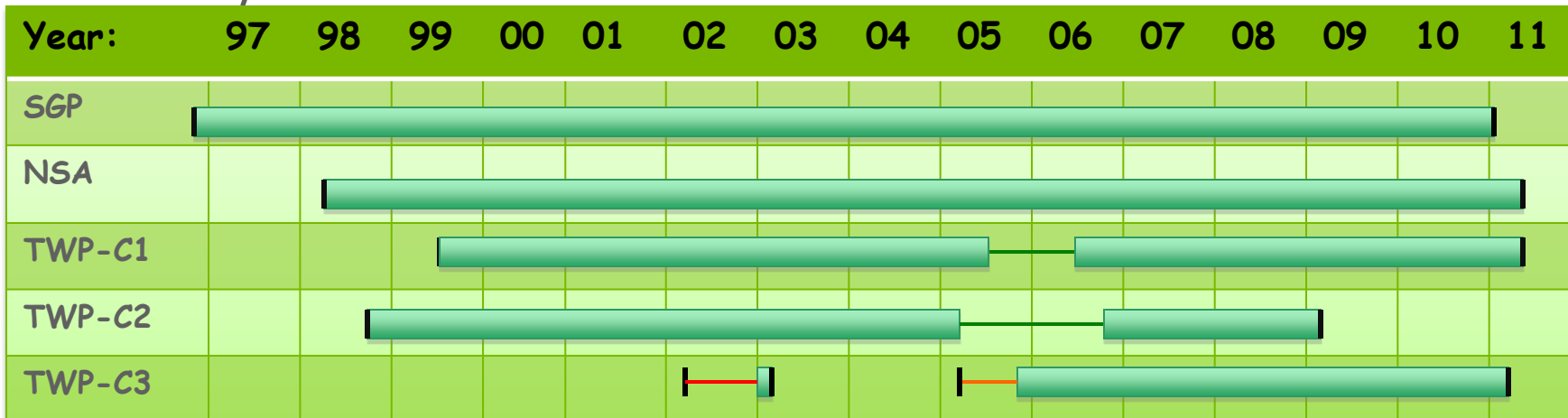
Developers: Karen Johnson, David Troyan

Provides:

- Cloud boundaries,
- Hydrometeor height distributions and radar reflectivity estimates
- Vertical velocities
- Doppler spectral widths



Availability at ARM Archive:



WACR - ARSCL Evaluation Product:
NIM, FKB, HFE, GRW, SGP available

KAZR vs. MMCR

What's the difference?

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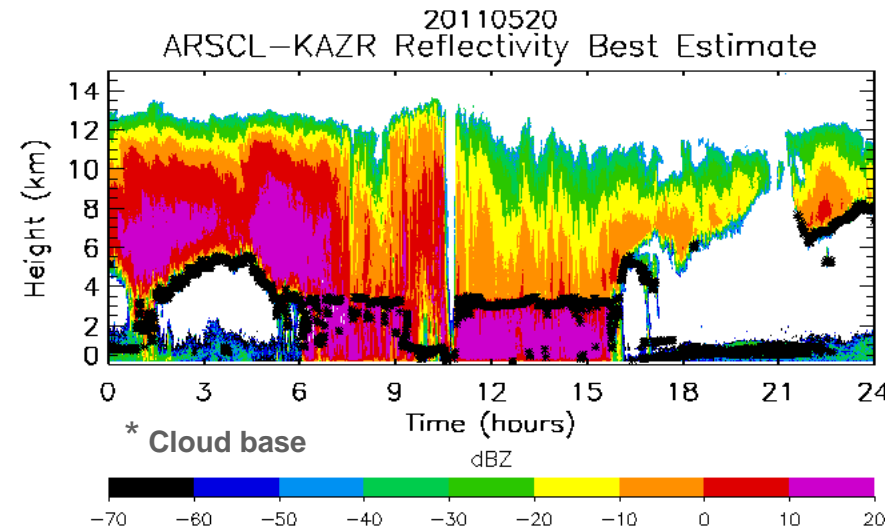
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KAZR is a major upgrade. Like MMCR, it's a vertically-pointing 35 GHz cloud radar, but **KAZR has...**

- **Greater sensitivity with fewer signal artifacts** due to signal control made possible by the new digital transceiver
- **Higher resolution measurements** in time (4 s), height (30 m)
- **Higher unambiguous velocities**
- **Doppler Spectra that are 'cleaner'** (e.g., no 'image' spectrum)
- **Improved polarization measurements** due to better cross-polar isolation
- **Better calibration** potential due to additional sensors and environmental controls

KAZR-ARSCL VAP

cloud radar, micropulse lidar, ceilometer
+ interpolated sonde
+ rain gauge
+ microwave radiometer



Why a *new* VAP?

- New radar operating modes → Simpler mode merging
- Improved polarization modes → LDR used in insect detection
- Insect detection algorithm expanded (LWP, temperature,...)
- Reflectivities corrected for water vapor attenuation
- Improved velocity dealiasing algorithm
- New KAZR-ARSCL software easier to maintain, update
- More timely processing

KAZR-ARSL

Proposed Data Products

... feedback welcome*

Full output file: arslkazr 1kollias

Cloud boundaries only: arslkazr bnd 1kollias

* Corrected individual radar mode products?

- e.g., kazrgecor, kazrblcor, ...
- Significant detection mask
- Data artifacts flagged

* Data Flags of interest?

insects, artifacts, precip, bad data, ?

* Level 2 product using MicroARSL as an input?

- Improve moment estimation using spectra
- Higher-order moments: kurtosis, skewness
- Insect identification more precise
- Level 2 product, e.g., **arslkazr1kolliasCx.c2**

Ideas for Historic MMCR Calibration

Years of data: SGP 15, NSA 13, Manus 11+, Nauru 10+, Darwin 5+

- Noise power trends
- Cirrus minimum observed reflectivity
- Polarimetric CDR drift
- Insect average power
- Lowest height maximum reflectivity
- Comparisons to WACR, guest radars

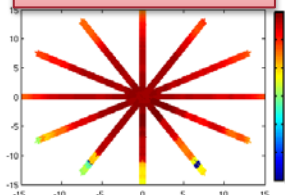
Scanning Cloud Radar Products

Ka, W, and X-bands

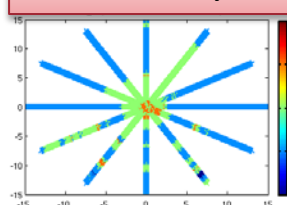


Product Development in 3 stages

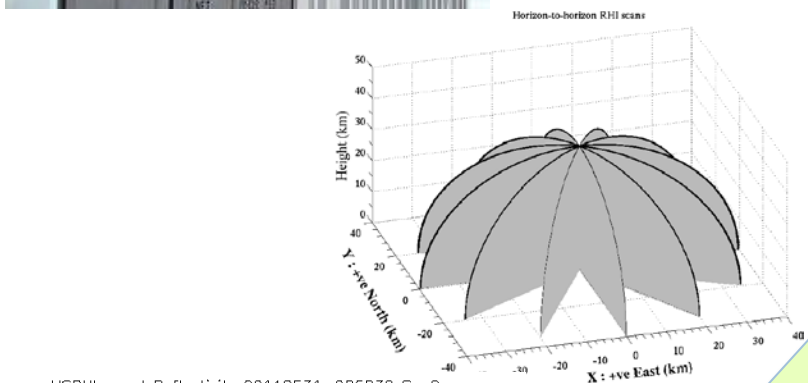
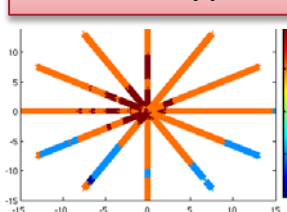
Cloud Tops



Cloud Layers



Cloud Type



Dual-wavelength products

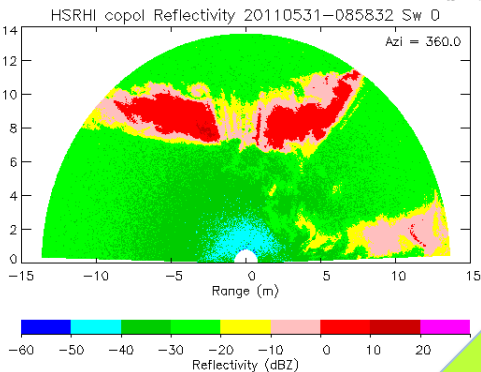
3-D Gridded products

Radial products, corrected

Detection Mask

Attenuation Correction

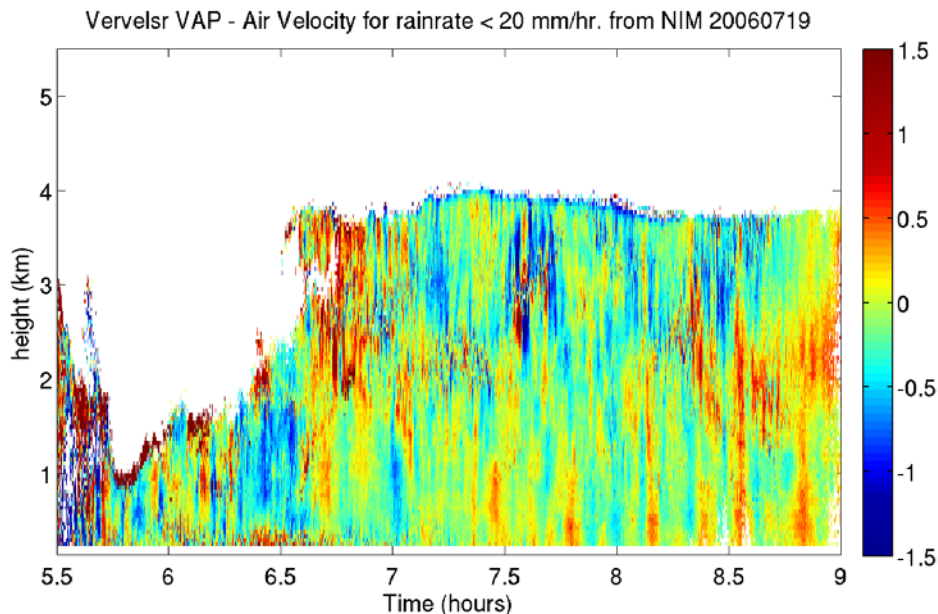
Velocity Dealiasing



Vertical Velocity VAPs

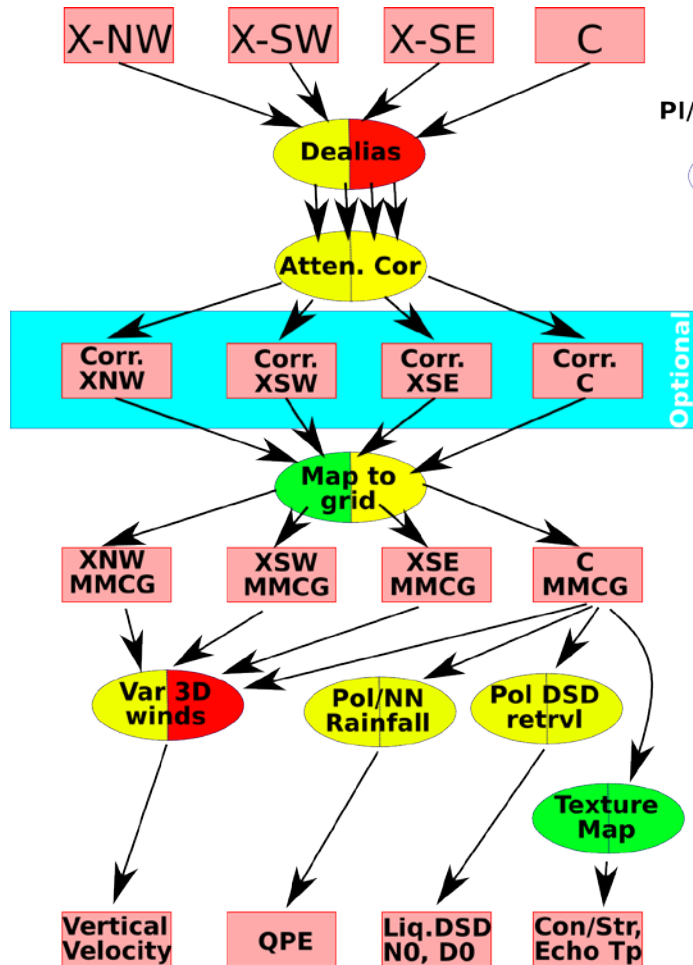


Giangrande et al. 2010
Developer: M. Dunn
ECO-00804

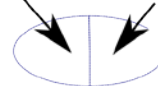


- Vertical Velocity in stratiform rain
- 94 GHz Doppler spectra as input
- First step towards a continuous VV product

Scanning ARM Precipitation Radar Value Added Products.



PI/Eval Operational



- Easy, Algorithm essentially done
- Moderate development work required
- Significant development work required, or further science needed.

Var 3D winds: Variational 3D wind retrievals

Pol DSD retrvl: Polarimetric Drop size retrieval in warm rain

Pol/NN Rainfall: Polarimetric or Neural Network based rainfall retrieval

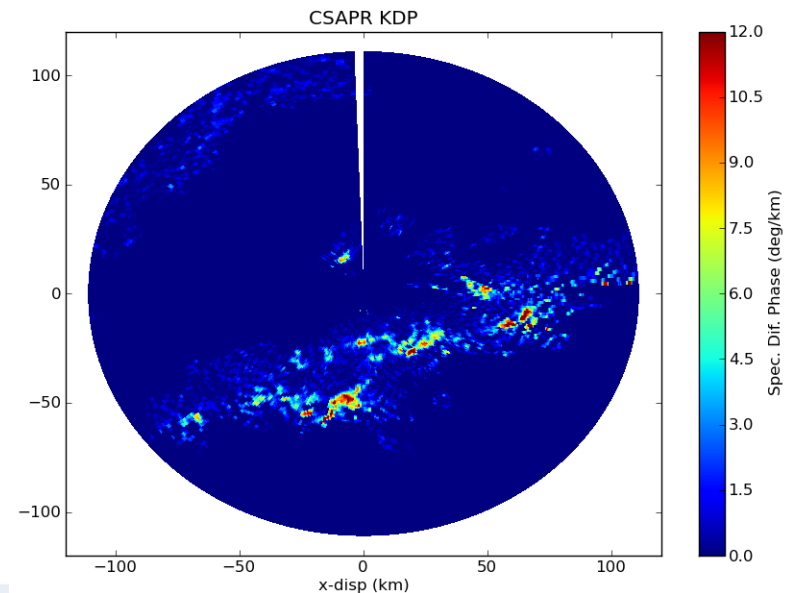
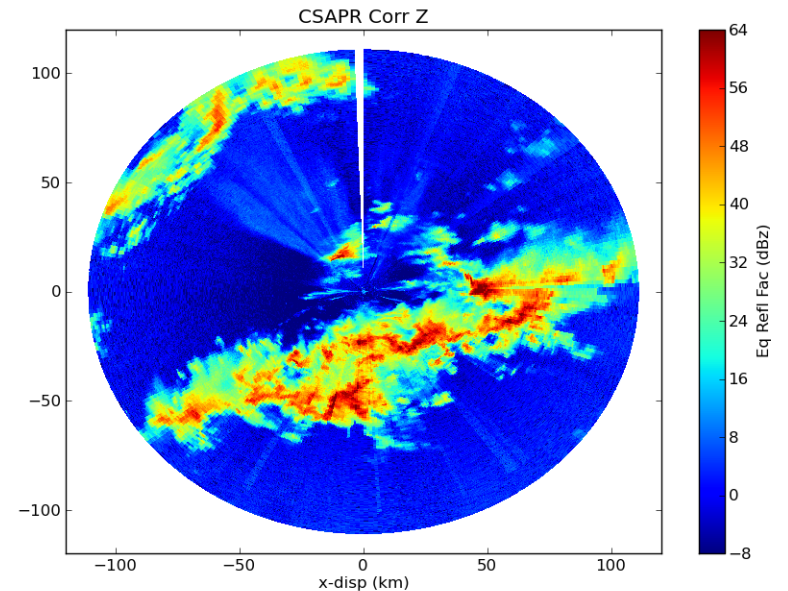
Texture Map: Stiener based convective stratiform classification, echo top detection

Map to grid: Balltree based Barnes filter

Dealias: U Washington 4DD velocity unfolding
Atten. Cor: PhiDP based attenuation and differential attenuation correction.

Corrected Moments in Antenna Coordinates

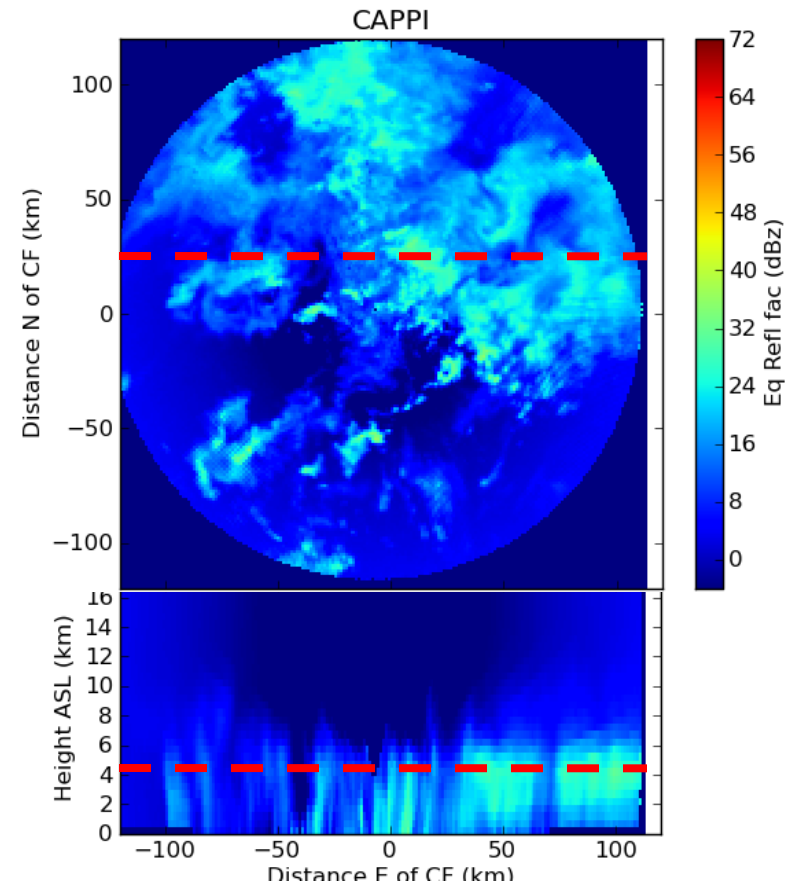
- Data in antenna coordinates is corrected for aliasing and phase folding.
- KDP is recalculated using a filter approach and a ZPHI (Bringi et al 2001 and Gu et al 2011) like attenuation correction algorithm is applied.
- Version 0.1 Evaluation available for MC3E C-SAPR, soon to be available for X-SAPR.
- Active work on V1.0E which will include advanced phase processing.
- Format will be similar to SACR data as CF-Radial.



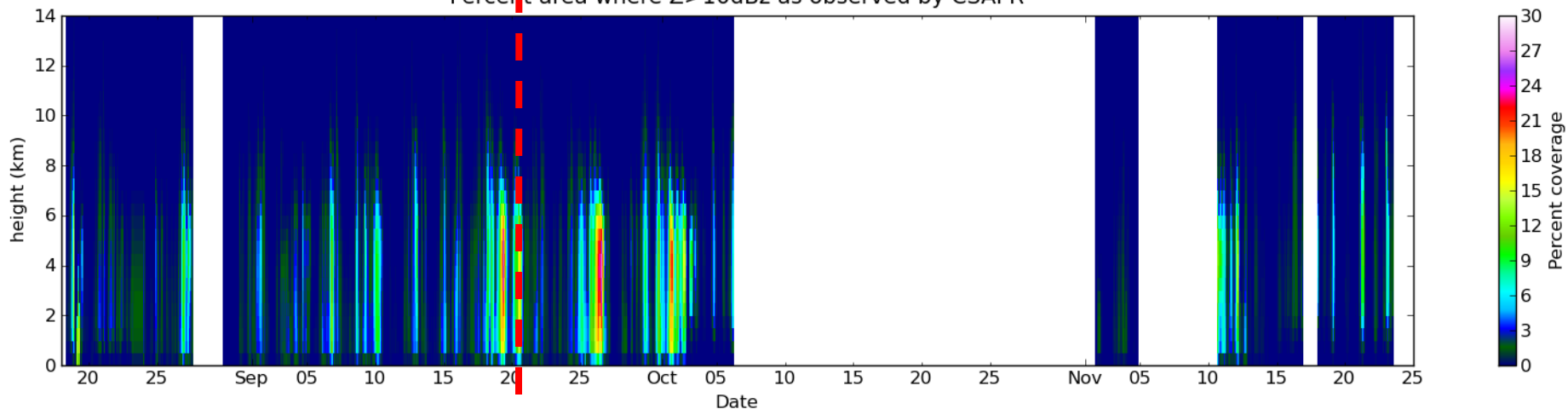
Mapped Moments to a Cartesian Grid (MMCG)

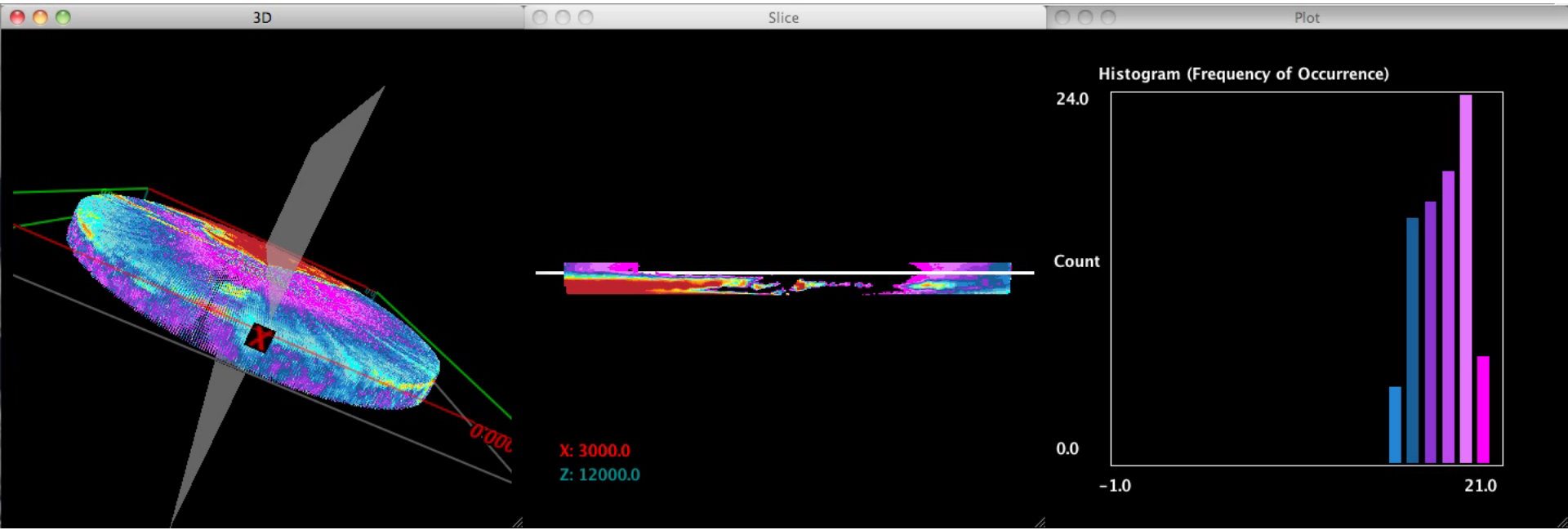
- First VAP from the ARM radars.
- CSAPR data from MC3E is in the development section (V0.1E) of the Archive AMIE Manus data soon to follow as well as X-SAPR data.

Site	Radar	Domain, resolution
SGP	CSAPR	240x240x17km, 1x1x0.5km
	CSAPR	100x100x17km, 0.5x0.5x0.5km
	XSAPR (x3)	100x100x17km, 0.5x0.5x0.5km
TWP Manus	CSAPR	240x240x18km, 1x1x0.5km
NSA Barrow		120x120x10km, 0.5x0.5x0.5km



Percent area where Z>10dBz as observed by CSAPR

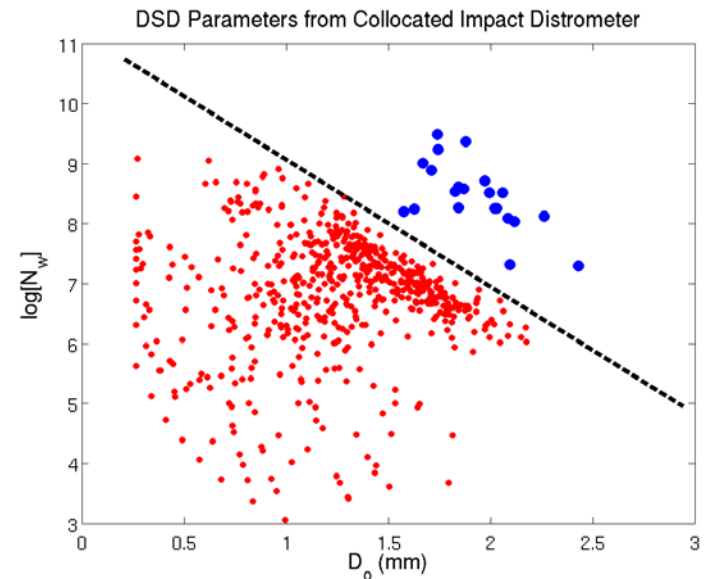
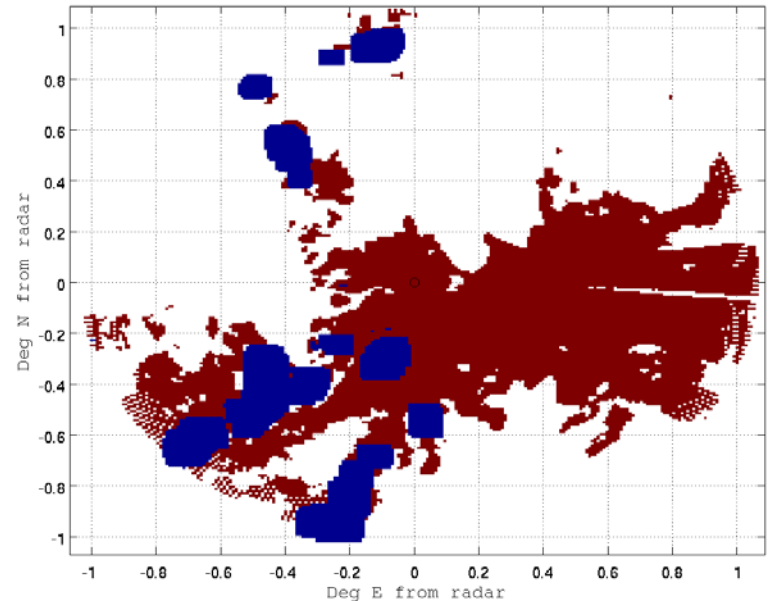




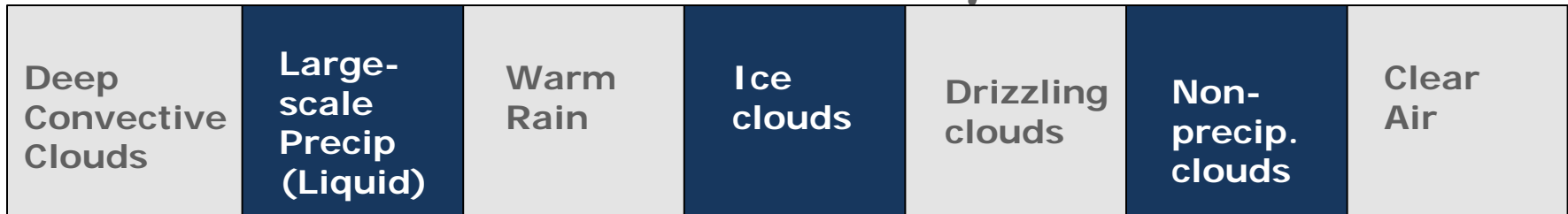
Geophysical Retrievals

- Much work has been focused on the correction and conditioning of the radar moments.
- We are starting to move in to retrieving model like properties from the scanning radar data.
- Rainfall will be available for MC3E (Dual pol) and AMIE Manus (Z-R).
- PI work and good progress on vertical velocity and storm dynamics for MC3E.
- Work at BNL on convective stratiform partitioning including DSD verification/tuning.
- First step for volumetric microphysics likely to be LWC retrievals.

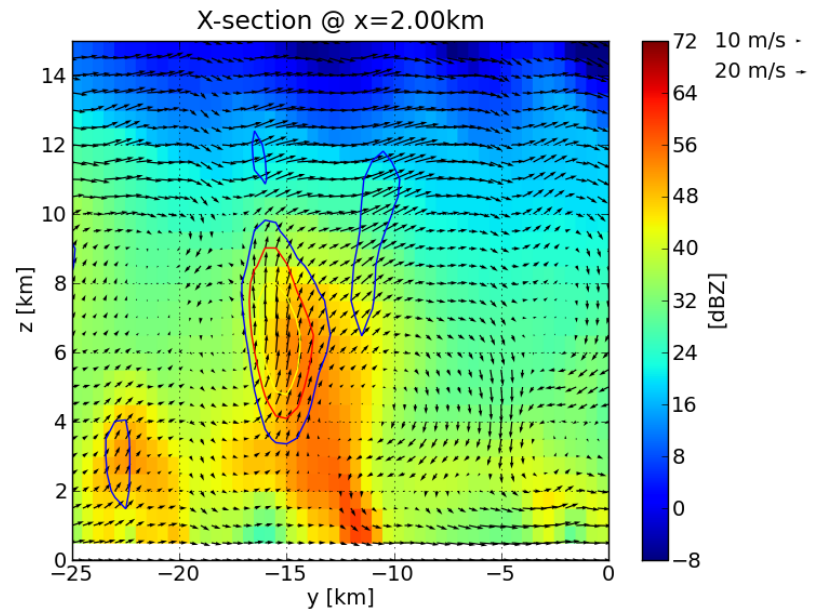
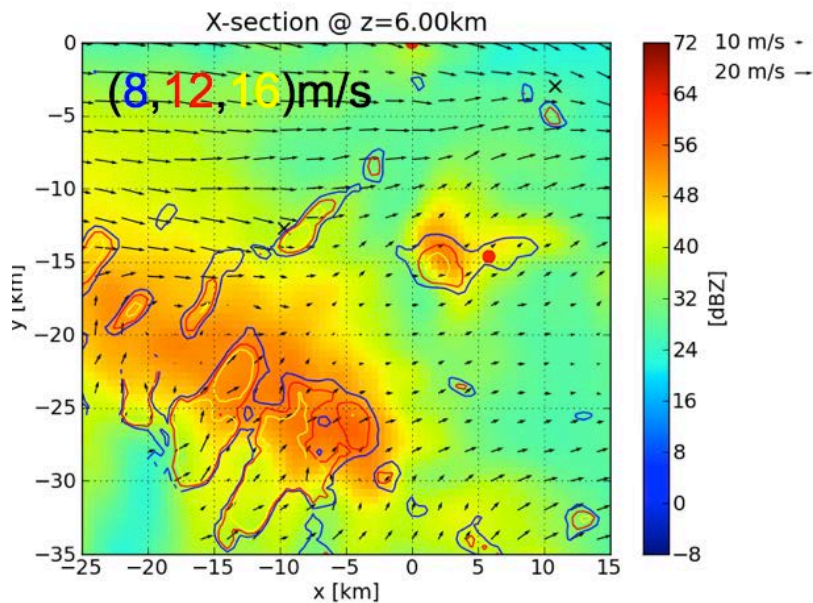
CSAPR Convective-Stratiform mask with KDP for MC3E 20110520-0738



Vertical Velocity VAPs

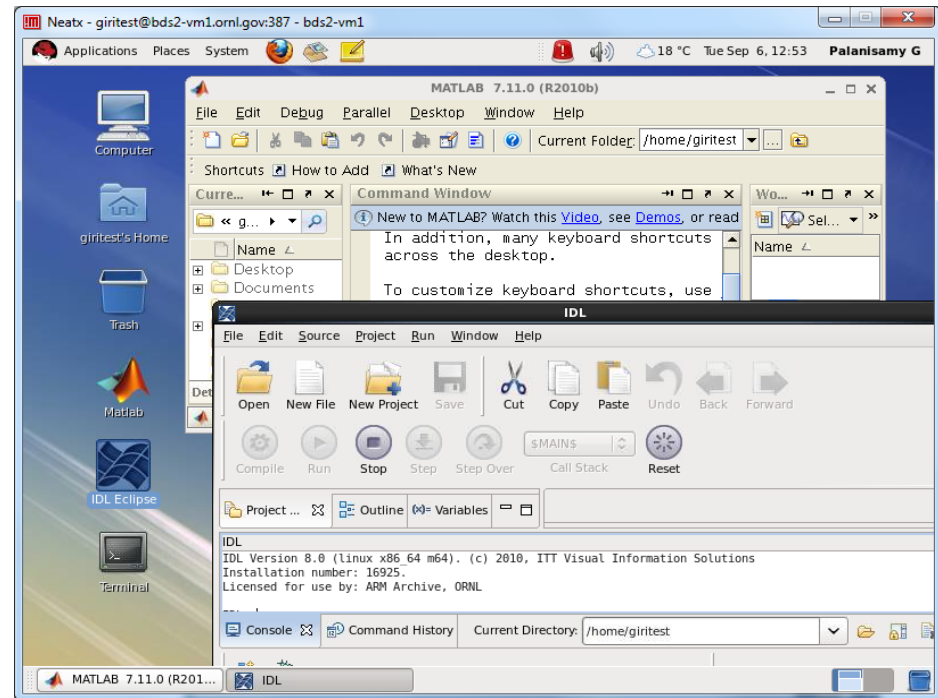


Ray et al. 1980, Collis et al. 2010
PI Product from McGill
EWO-13977



ARM Data Cluster, the (high performance) place to play...

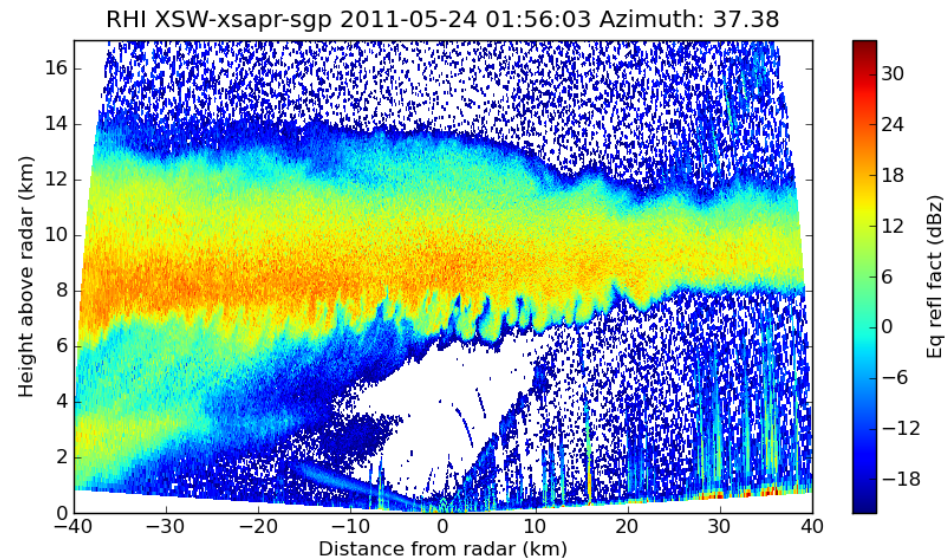
- Corrections, retrievals and mappings performed on the ARM Data Cluster at ORNL.
- Very open, easy to use environment with plenty of grunt.
- Currently we have 5TB of radar data staged there, 1TB of VAP data.
- If you are doing long term studies or retrieval work usage of this system is strongly encouraged.



Interested in using the ARM Viz cluster? <http://www.archive.arm.gov/cluster.pdf>

Currently identified capability gaps.

- Arctic rainfall, even warm season.
- Any kind of scanning radar retrievals in ice anvils.
- Uncertainty studies. (Role for QUICR?)
- High performance programming (bringing prototyped code to production speeds).
- Building useful products from HSRHI scanning modes.
- Feature tracking.
- Multi-wavelength, multi-instrument whole of system retrievals.



VAP Menu (Bon Appetite)

- Scanning Precipitation radars
 - MMCG – Mapped Moments to Cartesian Grid (Available now as Evaluation Product)
 - CMAC – Corrected Moments in Antenna Coordinates (Probably mostly for work with retrievals)
 - QPE – Quantitative Precipitation Estimation (in development)
 - Drop Size Distributions
 - Vertical Velocity for Deep Convective Clouds
- Interpolated Sounding (Mostly for near real-time input to new radar VAPs)
- VARANAL Continuous Forcing Dataset
- Large-scale forcing for AMIE (and future field programs)
- Cloud Radar VAPs
 - KAZR-ARSCL – New ARSCL product for new generation cloud radar
 - Scanning Cloud Radar – Significant detection mask, 3-D ARSCL Vertical Velocity
 - VV (Stratiform Rain) - Using W-band Doppler spectra (in development)
 - VV (Clear Air, Non-precip. Clouds, drizzling clouds, warm rain)Integrated VV product Atmospheric State
- Improved Merged Sounding (Evaluation Product)
- Humidity Corrected Soundings (Evaluation Product)
- CMBE Enhanced CMBE for all sites
- Averaged RIPBE

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