



# NPP Program Overview and User Readiness

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# PRESIDENTIAL DECISION 2 FEB 2010



## ● NPOESS Program Terminated 30 Sep 2010

- NOAA assigned 1330 orbit – Joint Polar Satellite System (JPSS)
- DoD assigned 0530 orbit – Defense Weather Satellite System (DWSS)
- EUMETSAT MetOp will provide 0930 orbit
- Common Ground System (GCS) using systems developed for NPOESS
  - Command, Communications & Control (C3S )
  - Data production system (IDPS)
  - Globally Distributed Receptor Network (DRN)
- Advanced sensors developed for NPOESS will be continued
  - VIIRS (MODIS heritage)
  - CrIS (AIRS/IASI heritage)
  - OMPS (OMI/TOMS heritage)
  - ATMS (AMSU heritage)
  - CERES/ERBS

# JPSS Program Overview



## Benefits

- Maintains continuity of weather/climate observations and critical environmental data from the polar orbit
- NOAA – JPSS provides improved continuity for POES
  - HIRS > CrIS
  - AMSU > ATMS
  - AVHRR > VIIRS
  - SBUV2 > OMPS
- NASA – JPSS provides continuity for EOS
  - AIRS > CrIS
  - AMSU > ATMS
  - MODIS > VIIRS
  - OMI > OMPS
  - AMSR-E > AMSR2 (JAXA-GCOM-W)



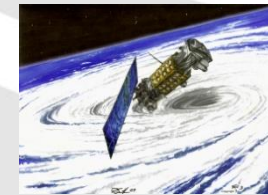
JPSS-1 Satellite  
(NPP-clone)

# Evolution of The Polar Satellite Programs



**NPOESS C-2**

**Early Morning Orbit**

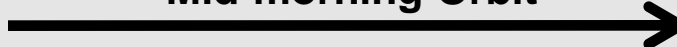


**DWSS**

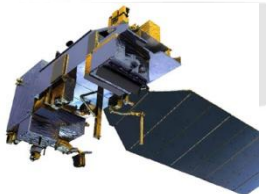


**MetOp**

**Mid-morning Orbit**



**MetOp**



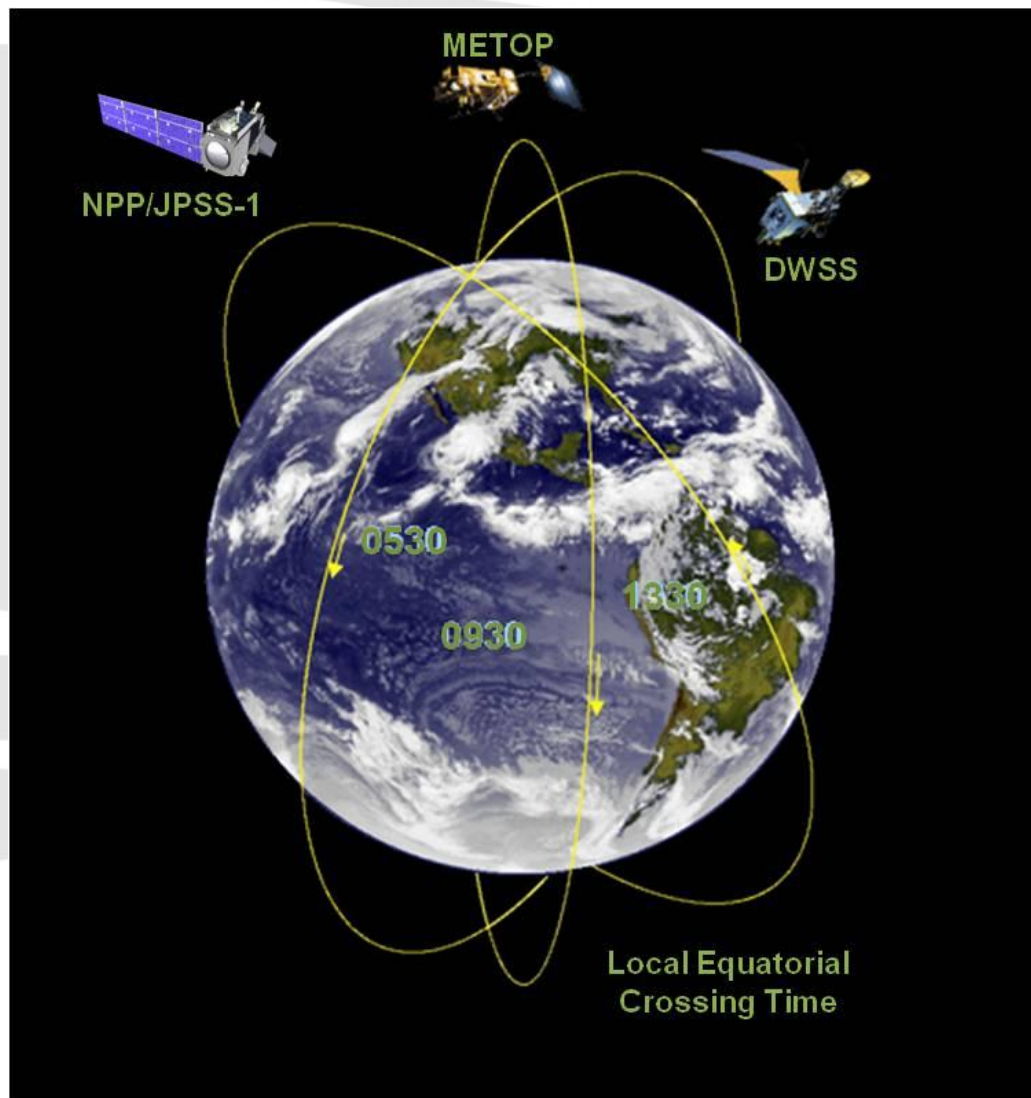
**NPOESS C-1**

**Afternoon Orbit**

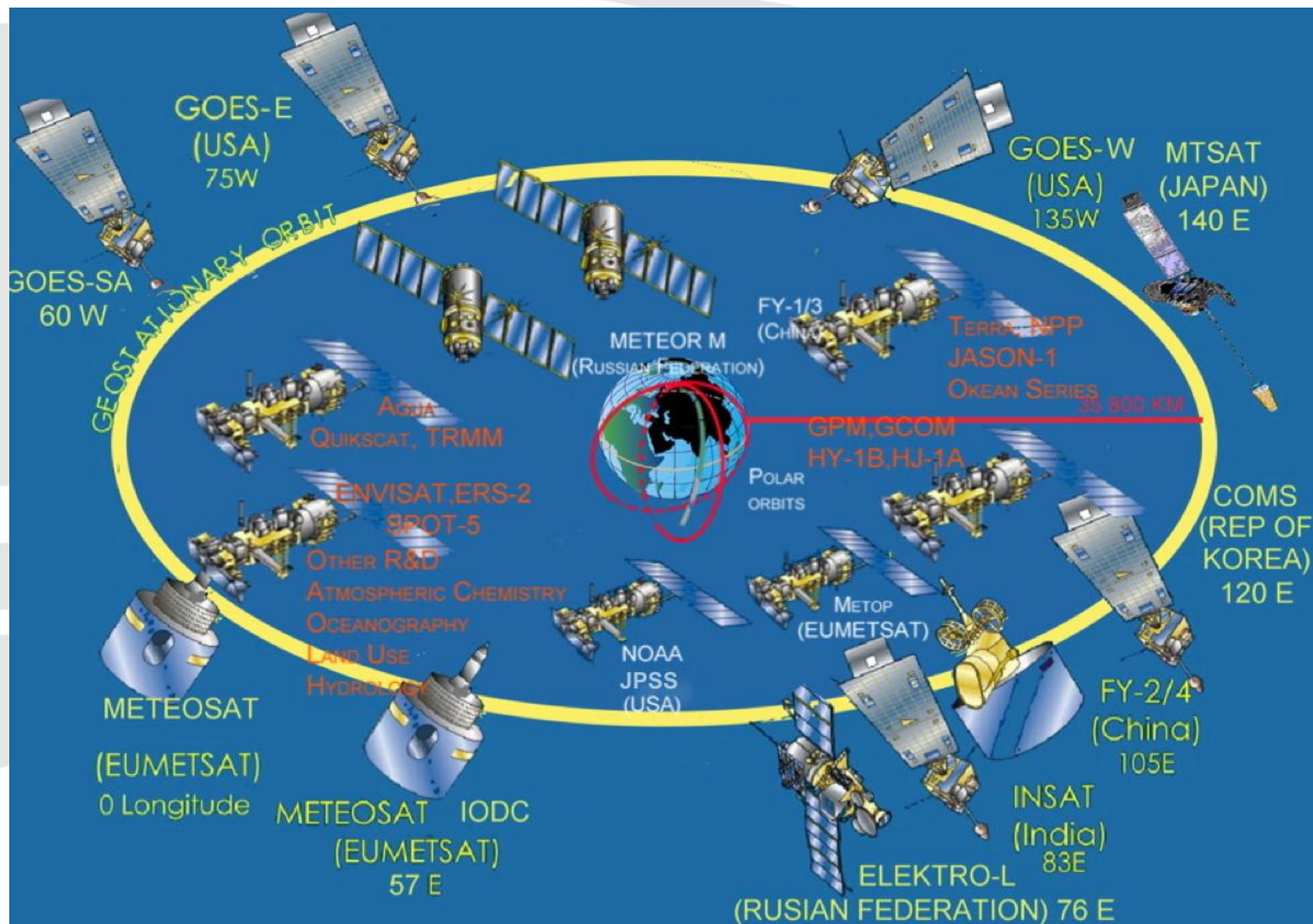


**JPSS**

# US SATELLITE CONSTELLATION IN JPSS ERA



# GLOBAL OBSERVING SYSTEM



# JPSS PROGRAM PLANS



- **NASA will procure and integrate JPSS for NOAA**
  - POES / GOES model
- **Algorithm development and Cal/Val led by NOAA**
- **NPOESS Preparatory Project (NPP) will be completed as planned**
  - Five Sensors (VIIRS, CrIS, ATMS, OMPS, CERES)
  - NPP will use C3S and IDPS developed for NPOESS
- **NOAA/NASA will develop JPSS series for 1330 Orbit**
- **JPSS-1 will be NPP Clone**
  - SARSAT and A/DCS will likely fly on separate satellite
  - JPSS-1 will use Distributed Receptor Network
- **JPSS-2 and beyond will be competed**
- **DoD plans for DWSS being developed**
  - DoD will launch remaining inventory of DMSP in the interim

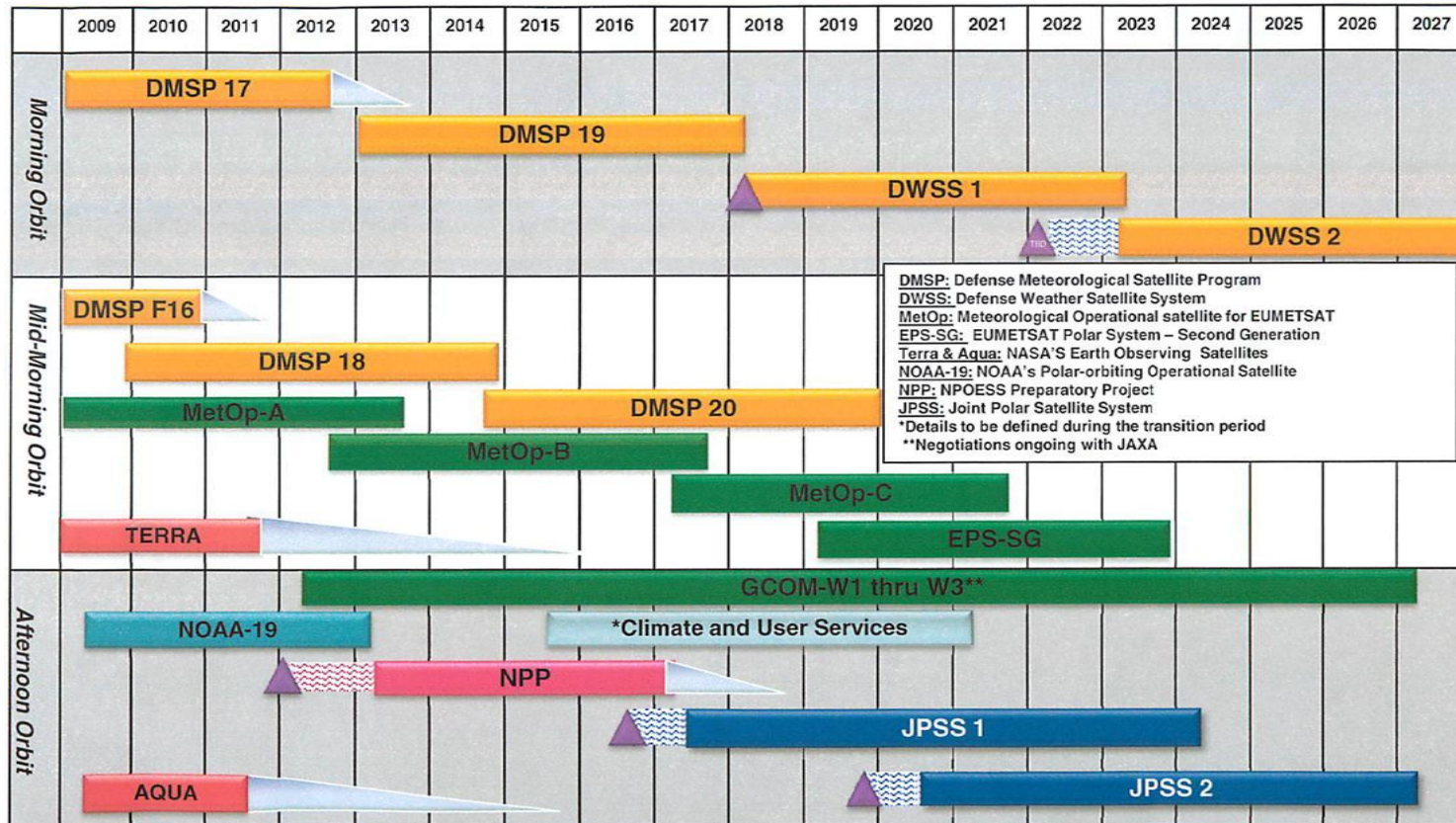
# Continuity of Polar Operational Satellites




## Continuity of Polar Operational Satellite Programs

Fiscal Year

As of January 14, 2011

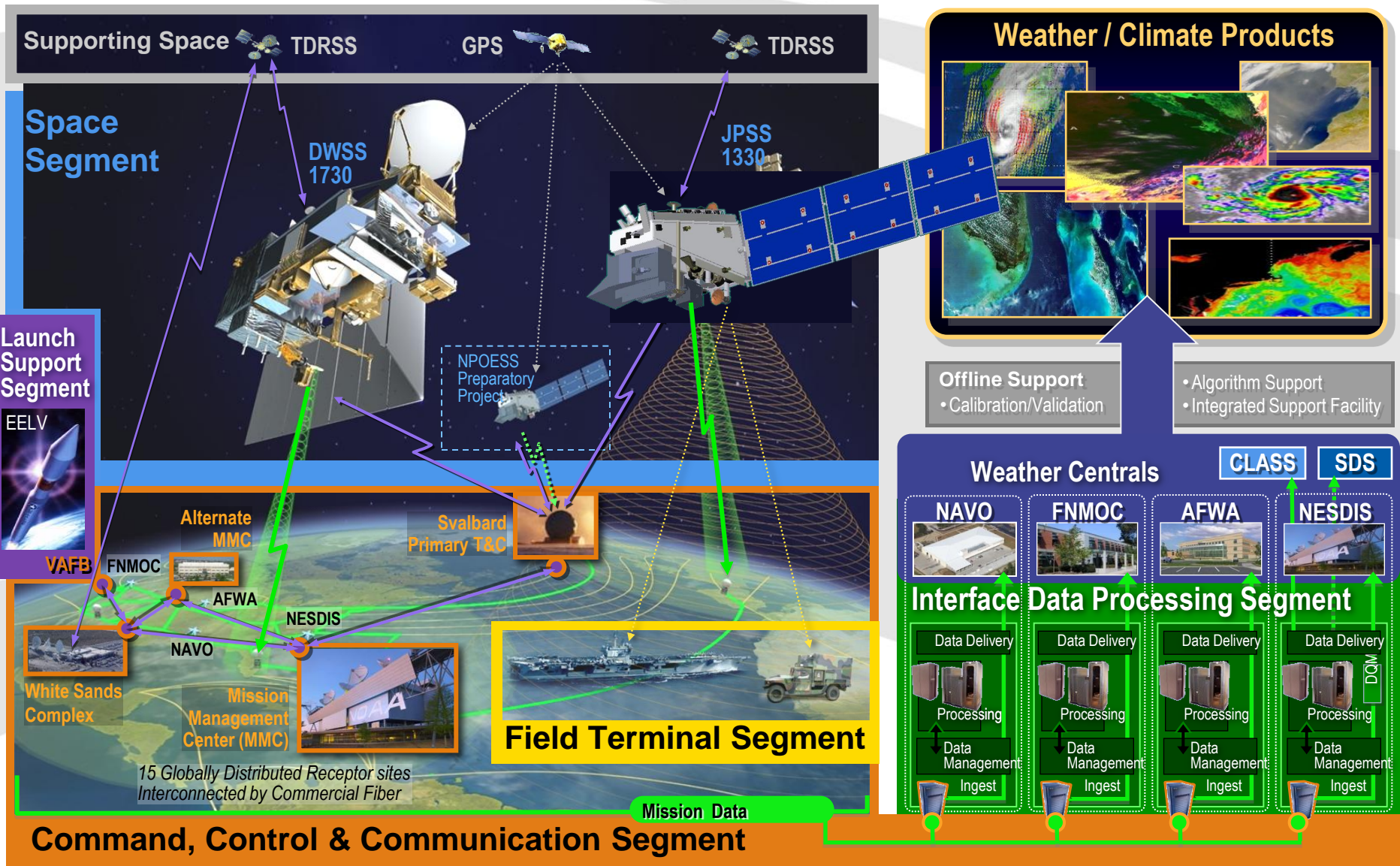


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 Operational Satellites  
 Post Launch Test   
  Launch Readiness Date   
  Operational beyond design life



# JPSS System Architecture



# Direct Readout Stations using Xband



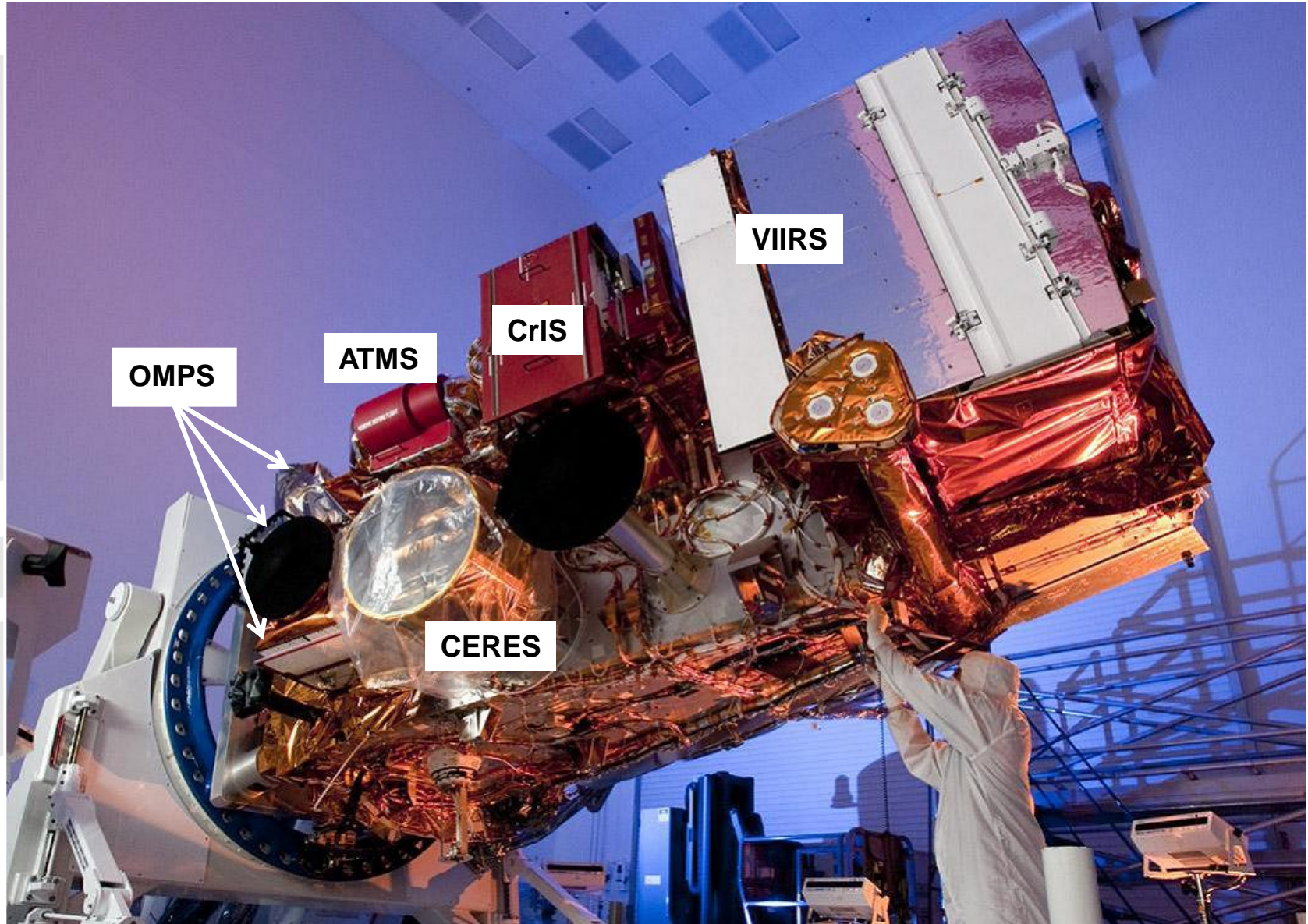
## Terra/Aqua DB Sites



EOS Direct Broadcast Sites Worldwide – Updated January 25, 2010

ANTARCTICA ARGENTINA AUSTRALIA BELARUS BRAZIL CHINA FINLAND FRANCE  
GERMANY INDIA IRAN ITALY JAPAN KAZAKHSTAN KENYA MEXICO NORWAY  
RUSSIA SCOTLAND SINGAPORE SOUTH AFRICA SOUTH KOREA SPAIN SWEDEN  
TAIWAN THAILAND UNITED ARAB EMIRATES USA VIETNAM

# NPP Spacecraft (JPSS-1 Concept)



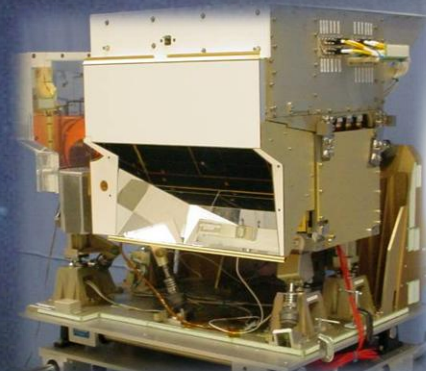
# NPP/JPSS-1 SENSORS



*Visible/Infrared  
Imager Radiometer  
Suite (VIIRS)  
Raytheon*



*Cloud and Earth  
Radiant Energy  
System (CERES)  
(FM5 for NPP)  
Northrop Grumman*



*Cross-track Infrared  
Sounder  
(CrIS)  
ITT Corporation*

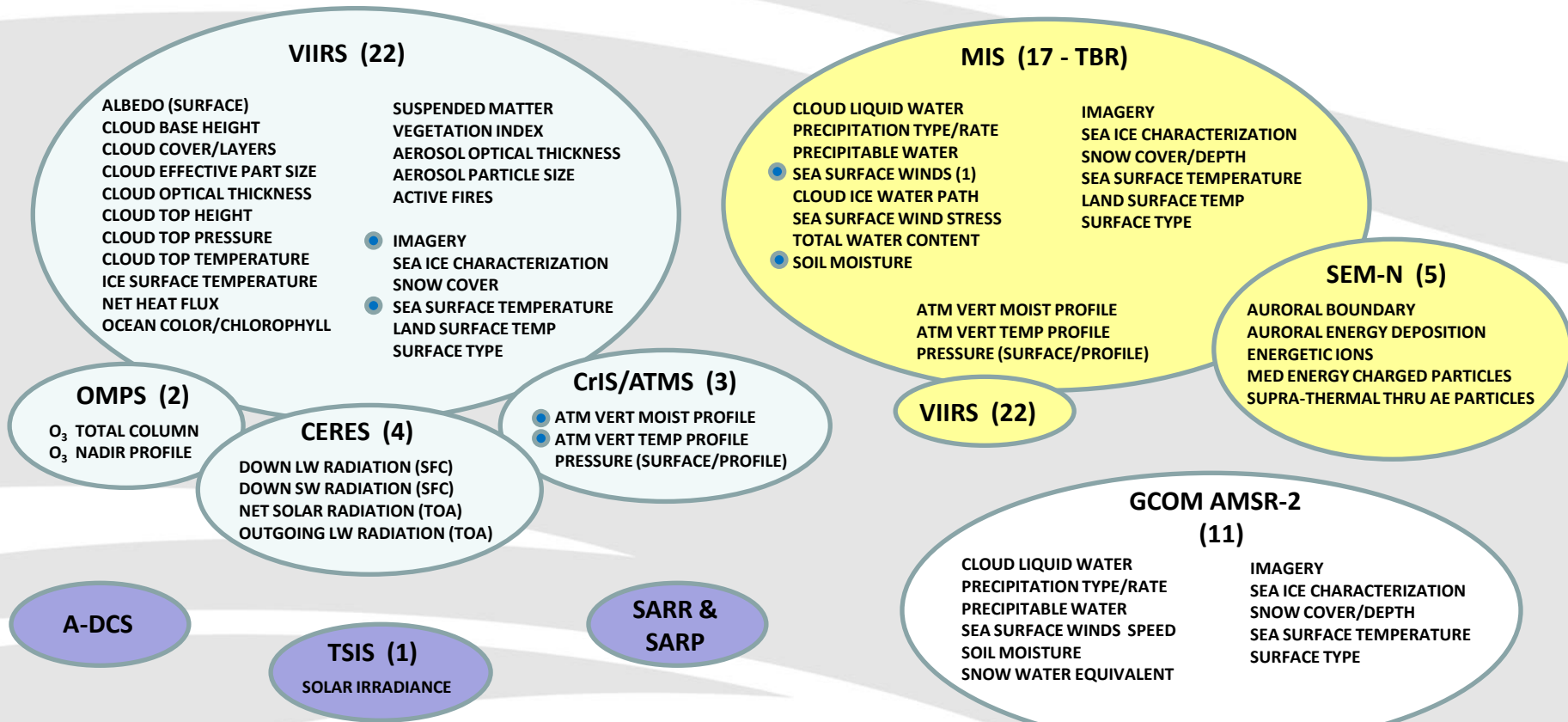


*Ozone Mapping and  
Profiler Suite  
(OMPS)  
Ball Aerospace*



*Advanced Technology  
Microwave Sounder  
(ATMS)  
Northrop Grumman*

# JPSS L1RD Defined Environmental Data Records (EDRS)



**KEY**

- EDRs with Key Performance Parameters
- JPSS-1
- DWSS
- GCOM
- JPSS Program (Host TBD)

**Notes:**

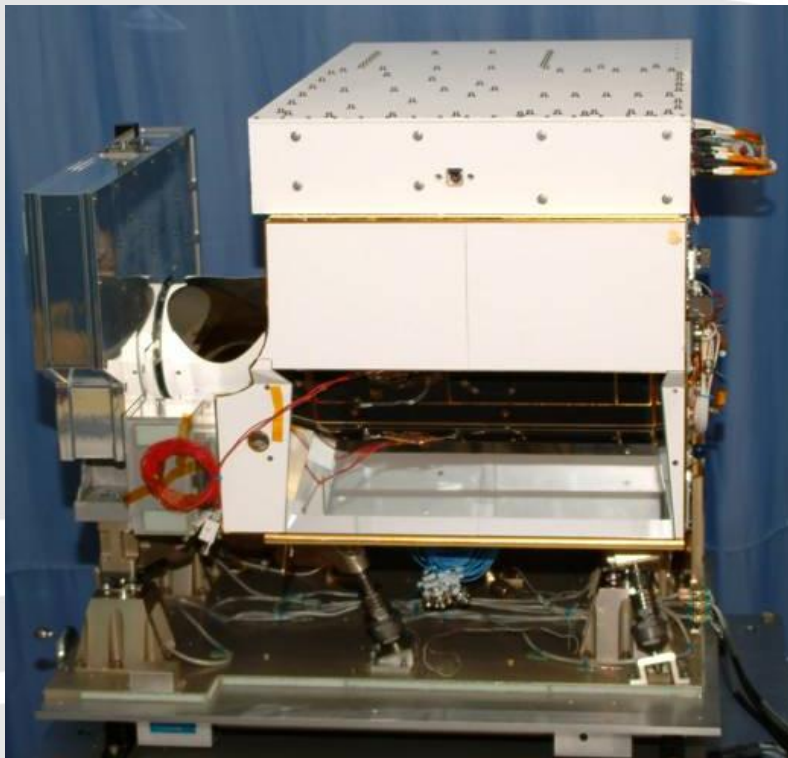
(1) Delivered as two MIS products – Speed (Key EDR) and Direction

# CrIS Overview



- **The Cross-track Infrared Sounder (CrIS) is a key sensor**

- Fourier Transform Spectrometer providing high resolution IR spectra:



Band	Wavelength Range		Sampling (cm-1)	No. Chan.
	(cm-1)	(mm)		
SWIR	2155-2550	4.64-3.92	2.5	159
MWIR	1210-1750	8.26-5.71	1.25	433
LWIR	650-1095	15.38-9.14	0.625	713

- Fields of Regard each 3 x 3 FOVs
- Photovoltaic Detectors in all 3 bands
- 4-Stage Passive Detector Cooler
- 14 km nadir spatial resolution
- 2200 km swath width
- On-board internal calibration target

- **Science pioneer: AIRS on EOS Aqua, IASI on METOP-A**

- **Supplier: ITT Industries**

- **Key subcontractors:**

- ABB Bomem, Interferometer, ICT
- DRS, detectors
- AER, EDR algorithm

	Spec
<b>Mass, kg</b>	<b>165</b>
<b>Average Power, W</b>	<b>135</b>
<b>Average Data Rate, Mbps</b>	<b>1.5</b>

# Advanced Technology Microwave Sounder Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems

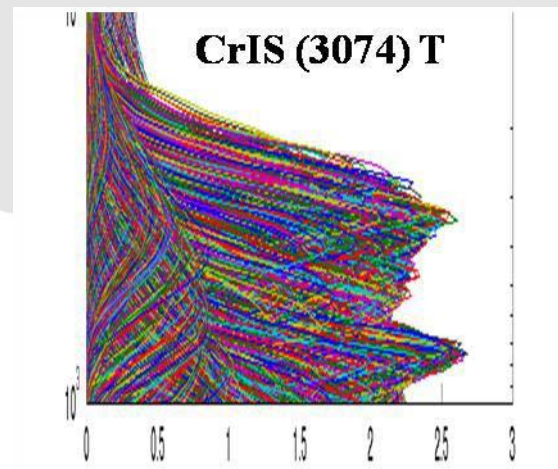
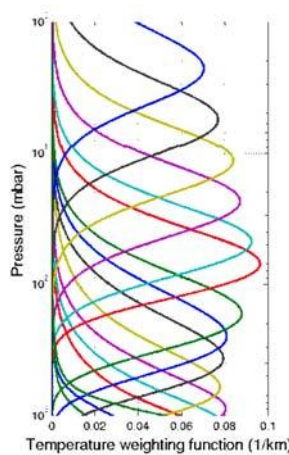
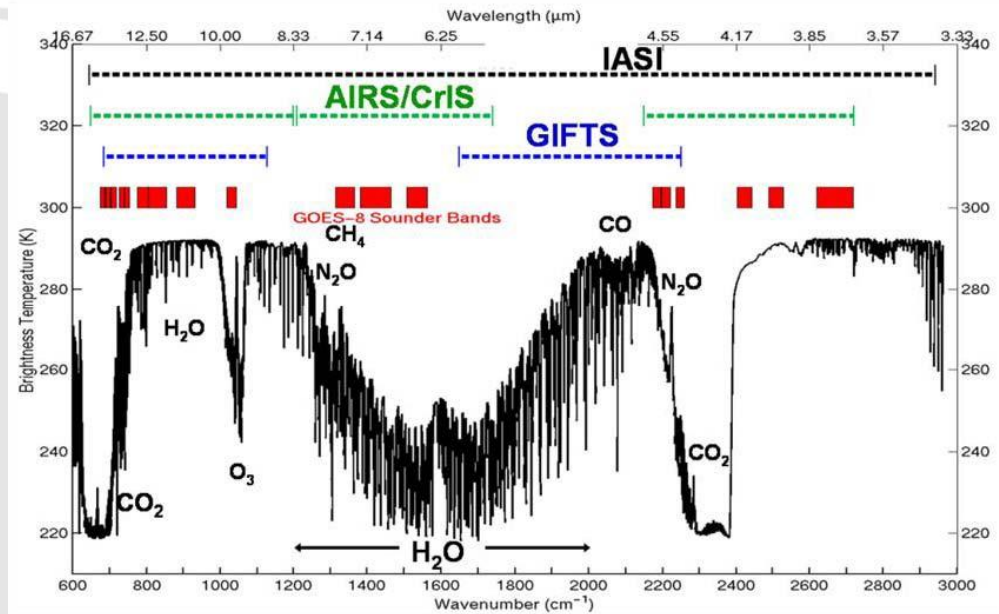
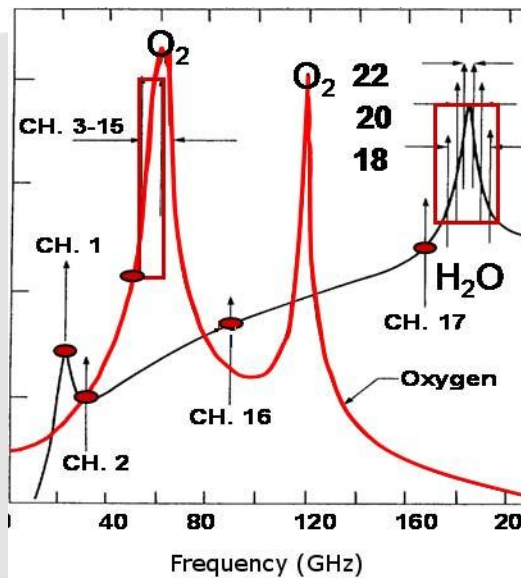


## Description

- Purpose: In conjunction with CrIS, global observations of temperature and moisture profiles at high temporal resolution (~ daily).
- Predecessor Instruments: AMSU A1 / A2, MHS
- Approach: Scanning passive microwave radiometer
- 22 channels (23GHz - 183GHz)
- Swath width: 2300 km
- Co-registration: with CrIS



# Microwave and Infrared Earth Spectra



The NPOESS Cross-track Infrared Sounder (CrIS) and Advanced Technology Microwave Sounder (ATMS) as a Companion to the New Generation AIRS/AMSU and IASI/AMSU Sounder Suites

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# ATMS/CrIS Sensors Produce Atmospheric Temp/Humidity Profiles



- CrIS
- ATMS

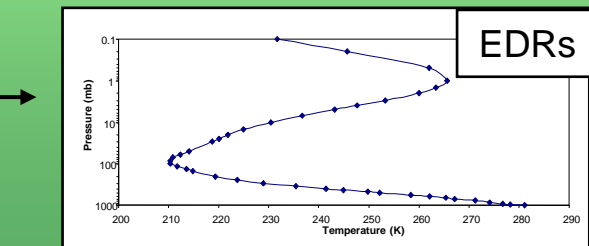
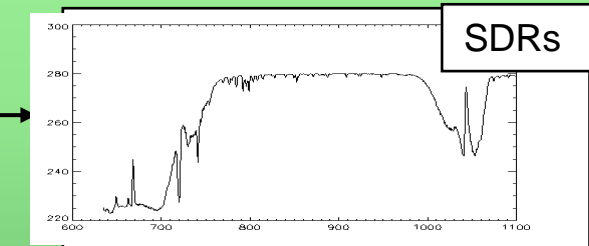
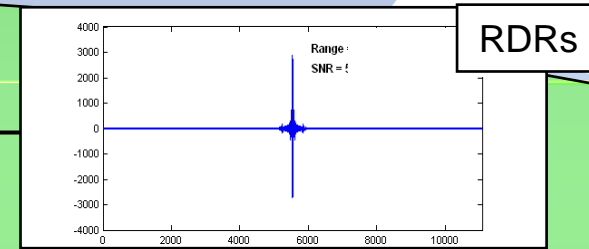
±50°  
Cross  
track  
Scans



1.25-Orbit Data  
Dump

RDR

RDR = Raw Data Record  
SDR = Sensor Data Record  
EDR = Environmental Data Record



Central or  
Regional  
Ground  
Stations



Co-located  
ATMS  
SDRs

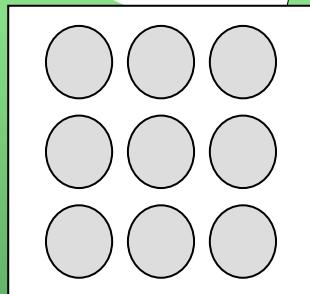
Decode  
Spacecraft  
Data

SDR  
Algorithms

EDR  
Algorithms

CrIS Swath  
2200km

ATMS Swath  
2500km

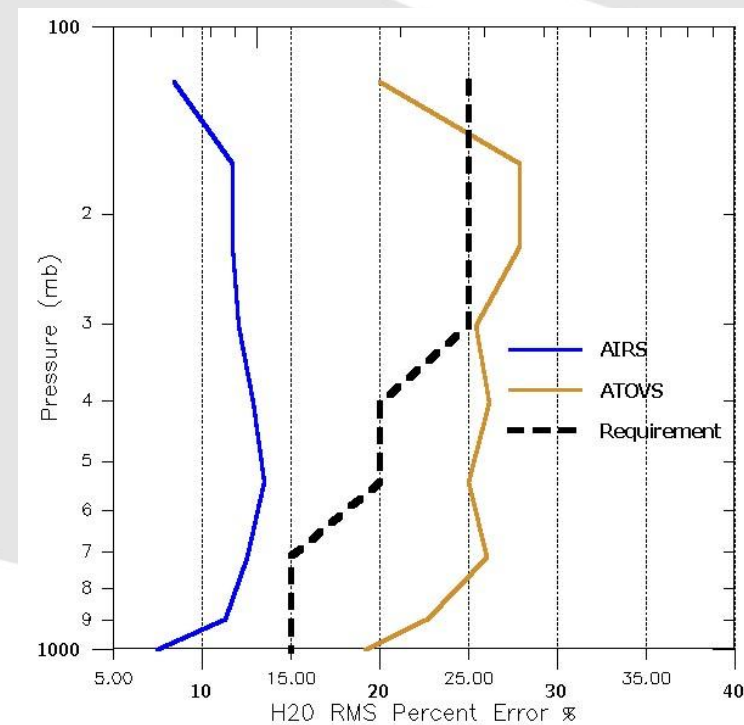
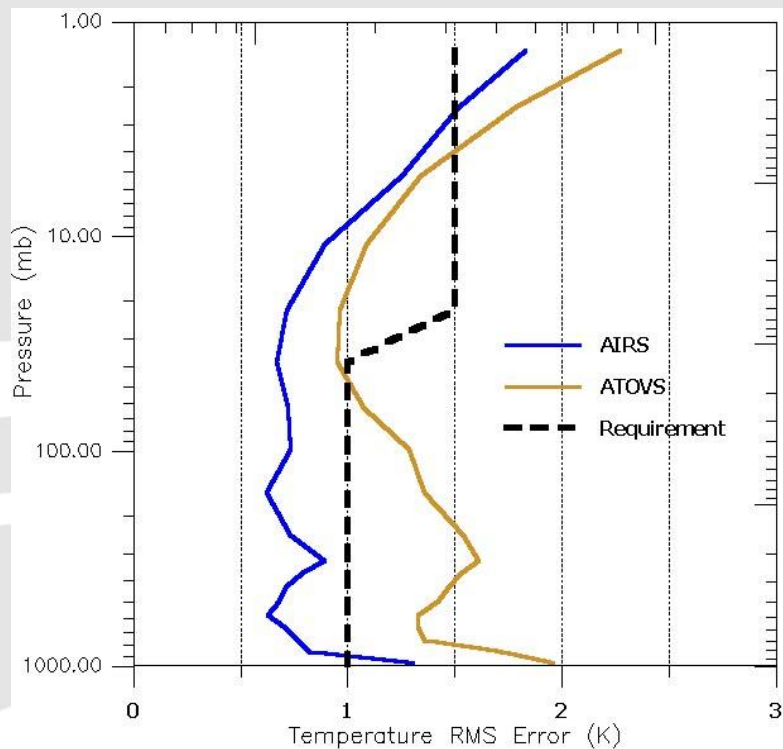


3x3 Array of CrIS  
FOVs (Each at  
14-km Diameter)

# Improved Soundings



AIRS provides significant improvements in temperature and moisture soundings over older generation instruments.

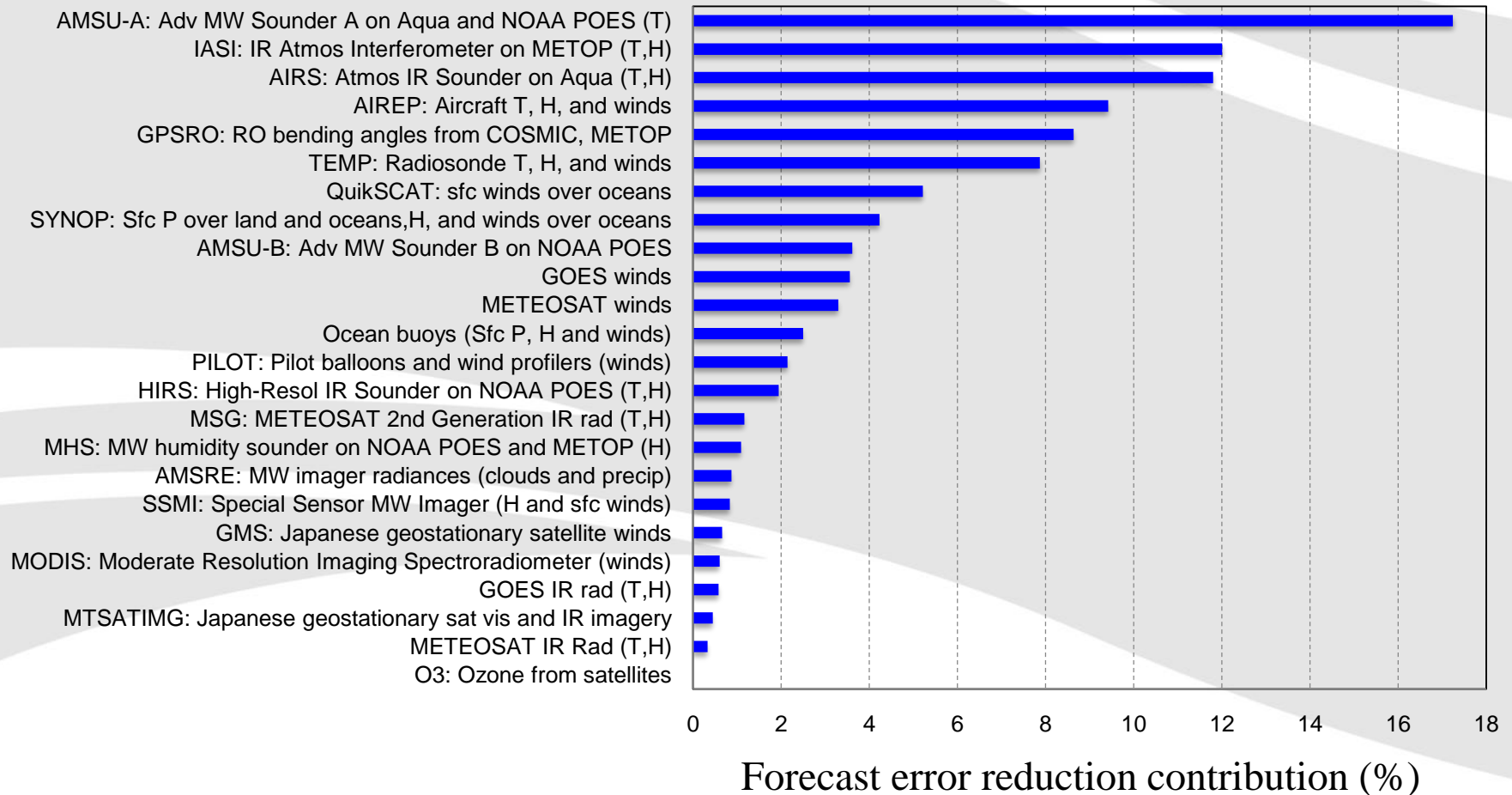


Vertical resolution has improved from 3 – 5 km to 1 – 2 km.

# CrIS and ATMS provide continuity of essential atmospheric sounding information for weather forecasting



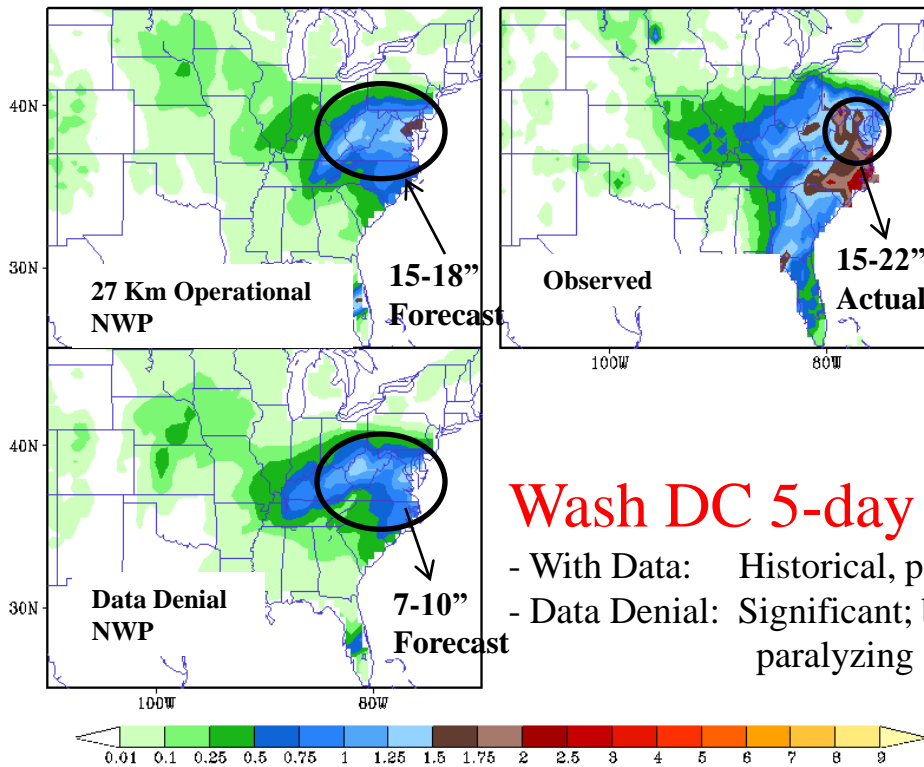
Hyperspectral Infrared Sounders (CrIS) and Advanced Microwave Sounders (ATMS) are the top two contributors for reducing forecast errors



# Afternoon orbit has large impact on forecasting major weather events



Forecast Period: 5 Feb (am) – 6 Feb (am)



## 6 Feb: Models without PM data under-forecasted snow totals:

- Operational forecast shows paralyzing event
- Data Denial
  - Did not forecast paralyzing event in DC— at least 10" too low at Day 5
  - Low confidence in extreme snowfall at this point
- Future errors of this scale could result in:
  - Aircraft and airline passengers stranded
  - Ground commerce halted with no mitigation plans
  - Population unprepared for paralyzing snow-depth

# Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite Raytheon SAS El Segundo, Ca

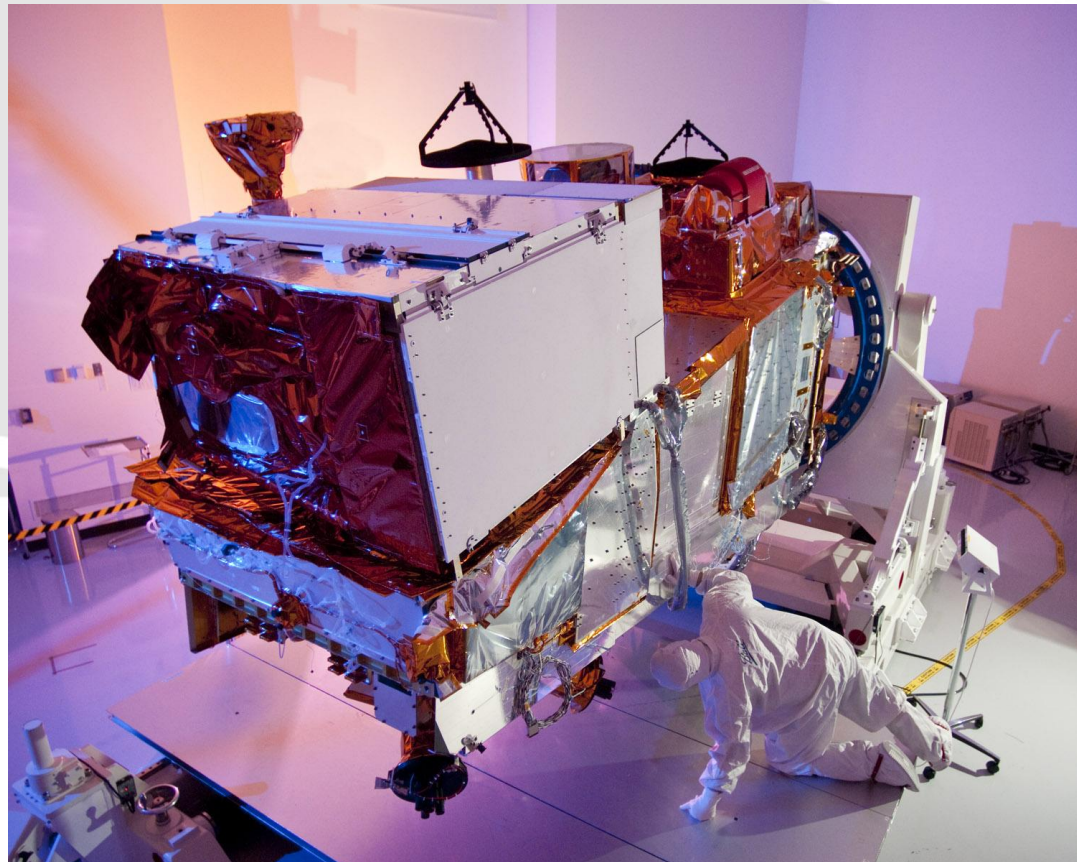


## Description

- Purpose: Global observations of land, ocean, & atmosphere parameters at high temporal resolution (~ daily)
- Predecessor Instruments: AVHRR, OLS, MODIS, SeaWiFS
- Approach: Multi-spectral scanning radiometer (22 bands between 0.4  $\mu\text{m}$  and 12  $\mu\text{m}$ ) 12-bit quantization
- Swath width: 3000 km

## Spatial Resolution

- 16 bands at 750m
- 5 bands at 325m
- DNB



**VIIRS on NPP**

## Land

- Active Fire
- Land Surface Albedo
- Land Surface Temperature Ice Surface Temperature
- Sea Ice Characterization
- Snow Cover/Depth
- Vegetation Index
- Surface Type

## Ocean

- Sea Surface Temperature
- Ocean Color/Chlorophyll

## Imagery & Cloud

- Imagery
- Cloud Mask [IP]
- Cloud Optical Thickness
- Cloud Effective Particle Size Parameter
- Cloud Top Parameters
- Cloud Base Height
- Cloud Cover/Layers

## Aerosol

- Aerosol Optical Thickness
- Aerosol Particle Size Parameter
- Suspended Matter

# VIIRS Improvements From AVHRR: Radiometric properties



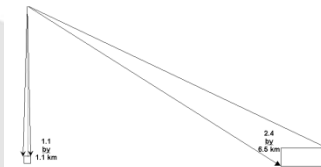
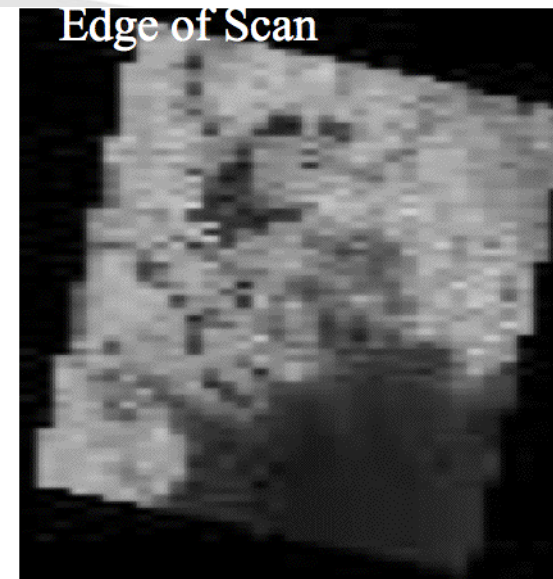
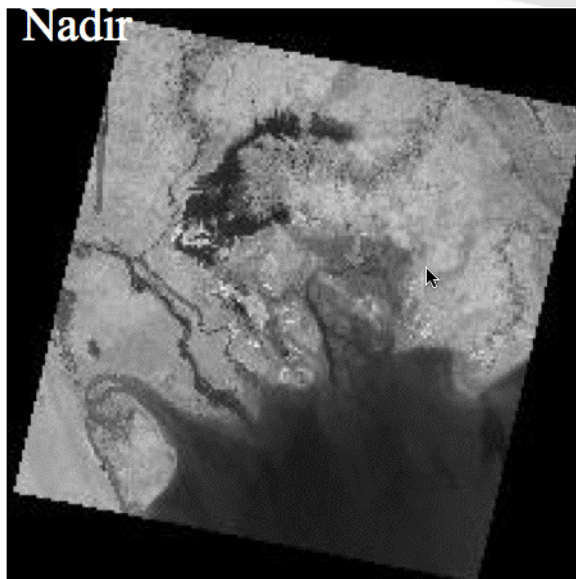
Greater spectral coverage with increased radiometric quality

VIIRS			MODIS Equivalent			AVHRR-3 Equivalent			OLS Equivalent			
Band	Range (um)	HSR (m)	Band	Range	HSR	Band	Range	HSR	Band	Range	HSR	
DNB	0.500 - 0.900	750				<b>Low light capabilities</b>			HRD	0.580 - 0.910	550 2700	
M1	0.402 - 0.422	750	8	0.405 - 0.420	1000	<b>Ocean Color, Aerosol</b>						
M2	0.436 - 0.454	750	9	0.438 - 0.448	1000							
M3	0.478 - 0.498	750	3	0.459 - 0.479	500 1000							
M4	0.545 - 0.565	750	10	0.483 - 0.493								
			4	0.545 - 0.565	500 1000							
			12	0.546 - 0.556								
I1	0.600 - 0.680	375	1	0.620 - 0.670	250	1	0.572 - 0.703	1100				
M5	0.662 - 0.682	750	13	0.662 - 0.672	1000 1000	1	0.572 - 0.703	1100				
M6	0.739 - 0.754	750	14	0.673 - 0.683			<b>Atm Correction</b>					
I2	0.846 - 0.885	375	15	0.743 - 0.753	1000	2	0.720 - 1.000	1100				
M7	0.846 - 0.885	750	2	0.841 - 0.876	250	2	0.720 - 1.000	1100				
M8	1.230 - 1.250	750	16	0.862 - 0.877	1000	<b>Cloud Particle Size</b>						
M9	1.371 - 1.386	750	5	SAME	500	<b>Thin Cirrus</b>						
I3	1.580 - 1.640	375	26	1.360 - 1.390	1000	<b>Snow Map</b>						
M10	1.580 - 1.640	750	6	1.628 - 1.652	500	3a	SAME	1100				
M11	2.225 - 2.275	750	6	1.628 - 1.652	500	<b>Cloud</b>						
I4	3.550 - 3.930	375	7	2.105 - 2.155	500	3b	SAME	1100				
M12	3.660 - 3.840	750	20	3.660 - 3.840	1000	3b	3.550 - 3.930	1100				
M13	3.973 - 4.128	750	20	SAME	1000	<b>SST, Fire</b>						
			21	3.929 - 3.989	1000 1000							
			22	3.929 - 3.989								
			23	4.020 - 4.080		1000						
M14	8.400 - 8.700	750	29	SAME	1000	<b>Cloud Top Properties</b>						
M15	10.263 - 11.263	750	31	10.780 - 11.280	1000	4	10.300 - 11.300	1100				
I5	10.500 - 12.400	375	31	10.780 - 11.280	1000 1000	4	10.300 - 11.300	1100	HRD	10.300 - 12.900	550	
			32	11.770 - 12.270			5	11.500 - 12.500				1100
M16	11.538 - 12.488	750	32	11.770 - 12.270	1000	5	11.500 - 12.500	1100				

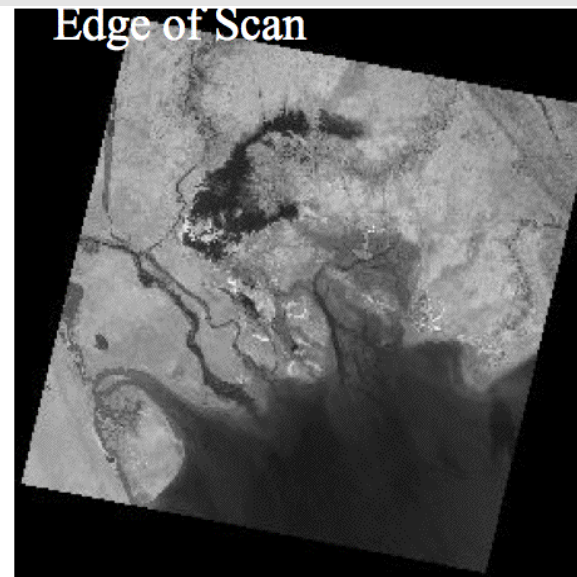
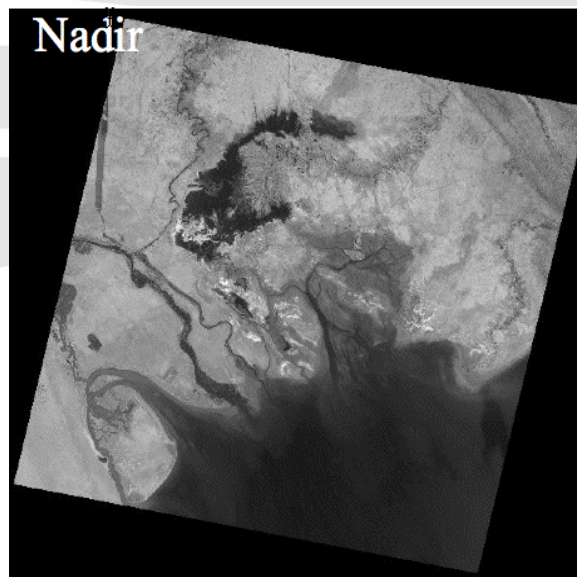
# VIIRS Edge of Scan Spatial Resolution is significantly improved over AVHRR



AVHRR



VIIRS





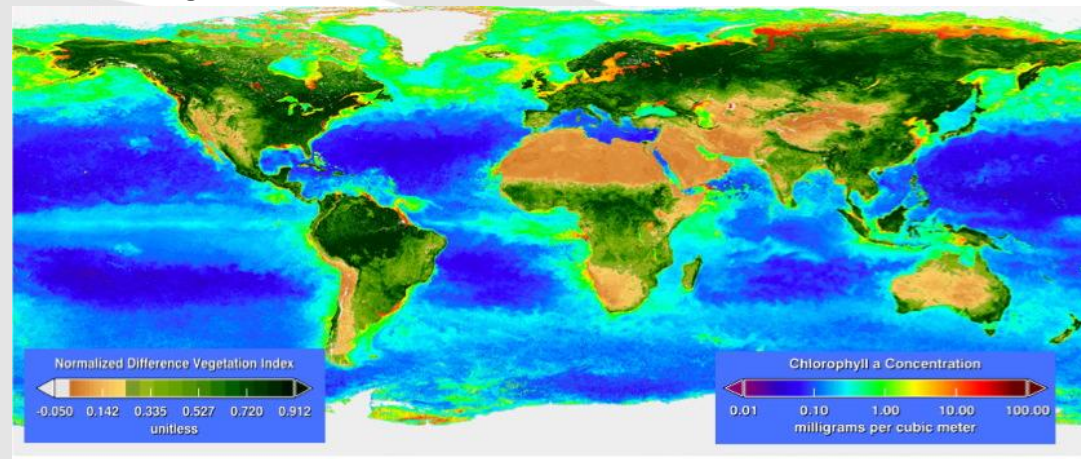
# In addition to clouds and SST, VIIRS provides continuity of essential environmental monitoring from AVHRR and MODIS



## Fire monitoring and mapping



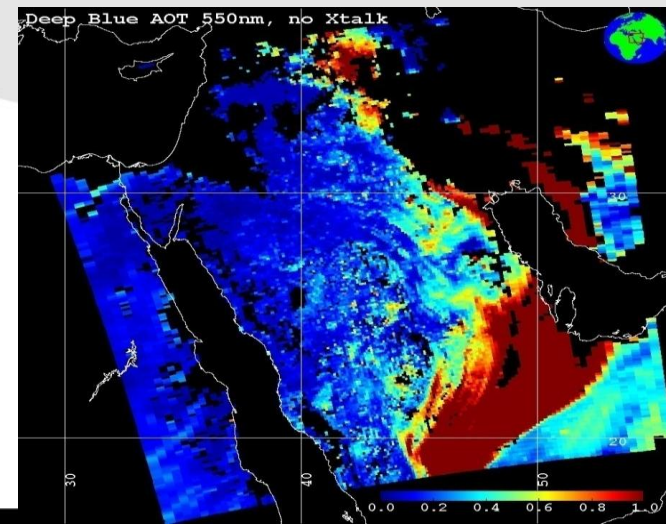
## Biosphere monitoring: Vegetation and Ocean Color



## Oil slick monitoring and mapping



## Aerosols for air quality and aviation safety

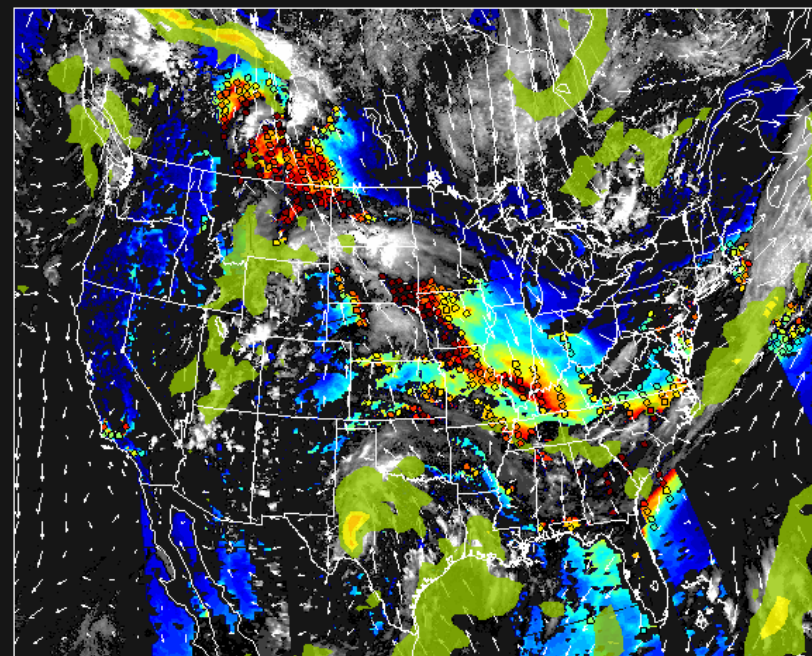


# Air Quality Applications

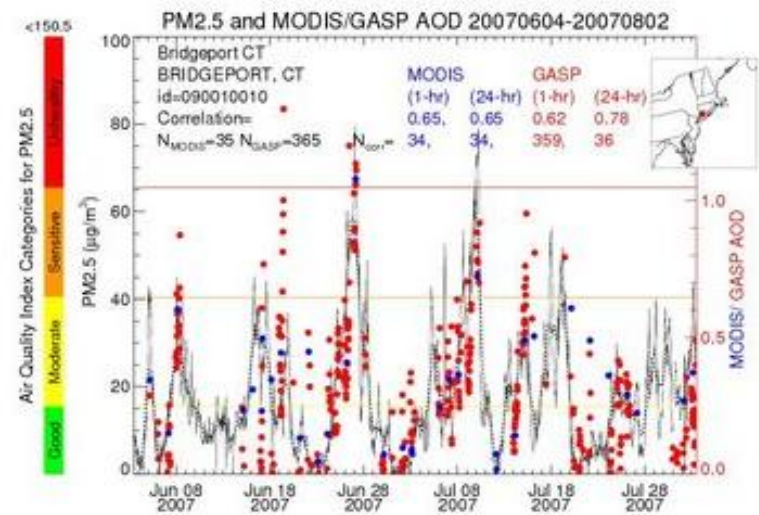


Integrated observations,  
products and synthesis  
to support air quality  
forecasters

MODIS 2007/8/17 AOD/COT & AOD Trajectories on 2007/08/17 18Z



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AOD Trajectory Pressure (mb) COT

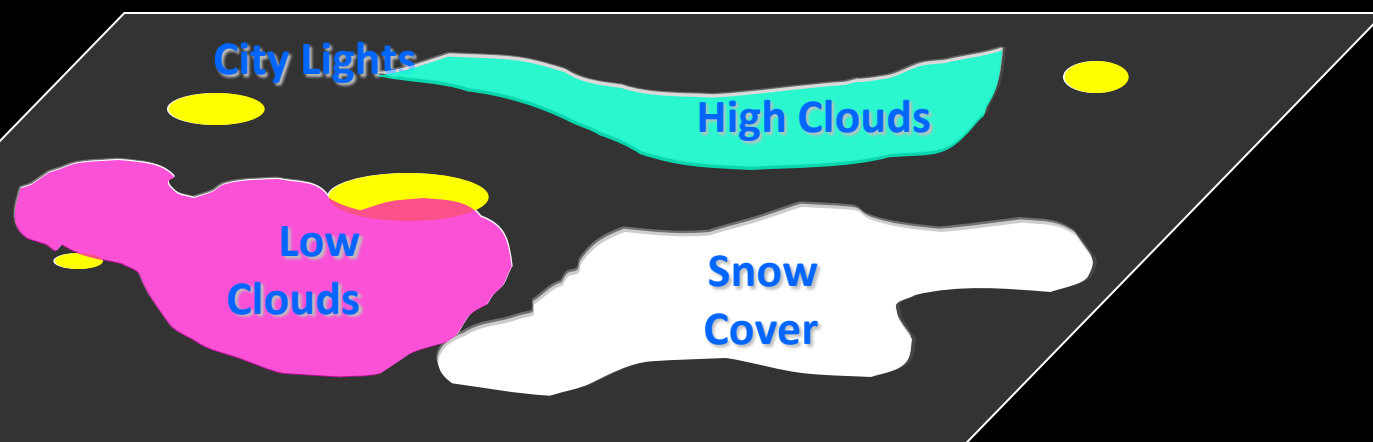


# Snow Cover at Night



*Ambient Moonlight*

- Nighttime Visible Band Only (DMSP/OLS)
- Add **Stable Nighttime Lights Mask** (OLS)
- Add **High/Low** Cloud Detection (GOES)



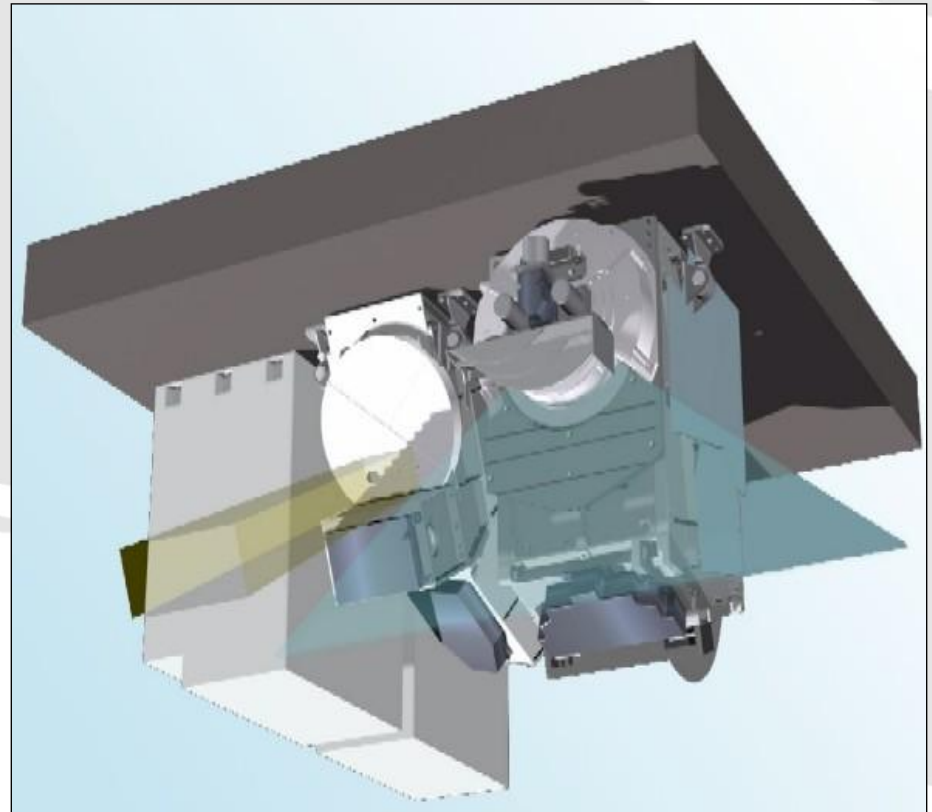
→ Combine LEO and time-matched GEO obs to provide augmented channel suite for improved discrimination.

# Ozone Mapping Profiler Suite Ball Aerospace and Technologies Corp.

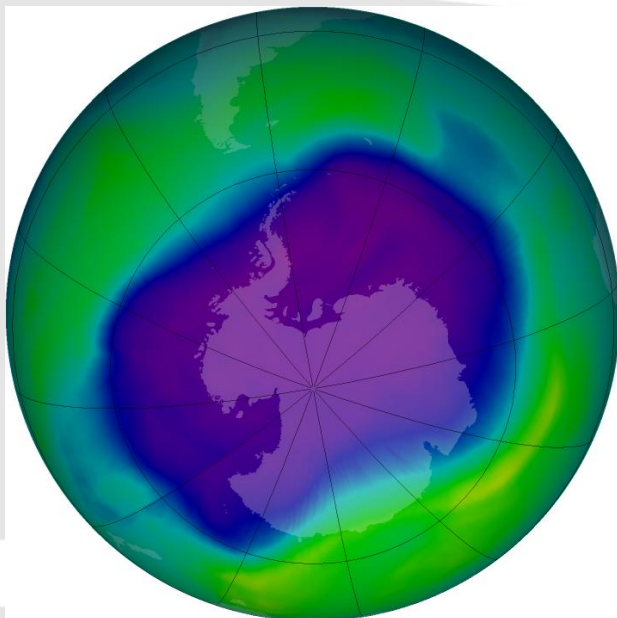


## Description

- Purpose:  
Monitors the total column and vertical profile of ozone
- Predecessor Instruments:  
TOMS, SBUV, GOME, OSIRIS, SCIAMACHY
- Approach:  
Nadir and limb push broom CCD spectrometers
- Swath width:  
2600 km

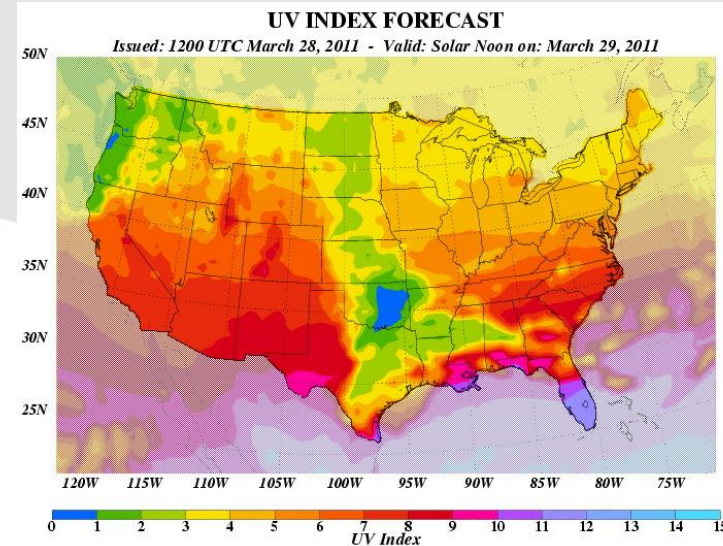
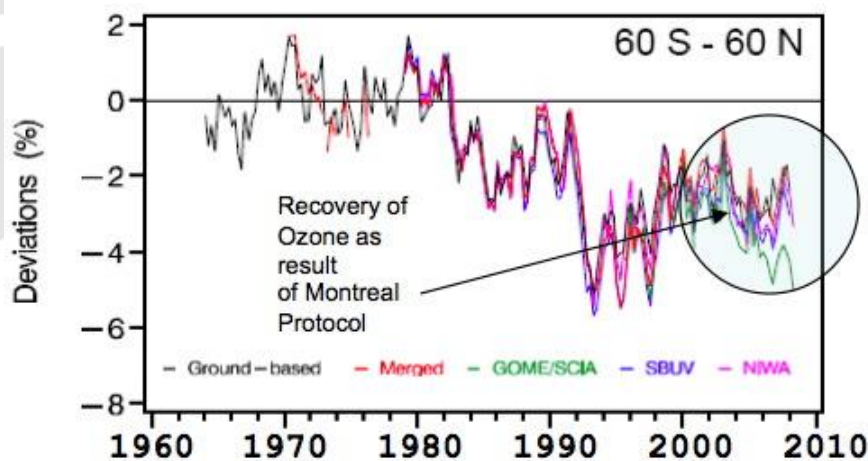


# OMPS provides continuity of essential ozone products and applications

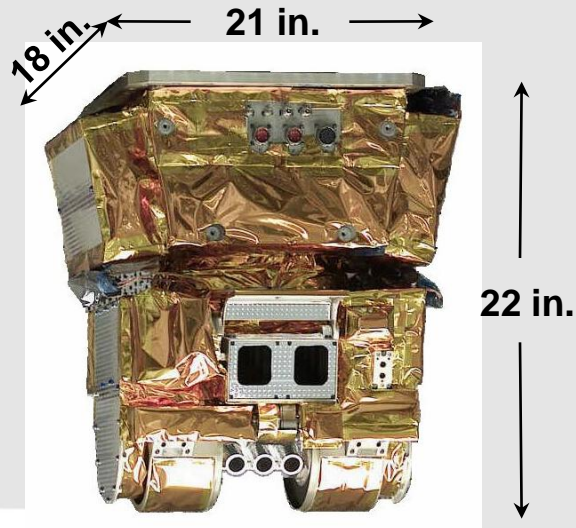


Monitoring ozone hole and recovering of ozone due to the Montreal Protocol for eliminating Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)

Used in NWS UV Index forecast to allow public to avoid overexposure to UV radiation



# CERES Instrument Overview



## CERES scanning radiometer measuring three spectral bands at TOA

- Total (0.3 to >50  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- Shortwave (0.3 to 5.0  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- Longwave (5 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ )

## Operations, Data Processing, Products, and Science are a continuation of experience developed on

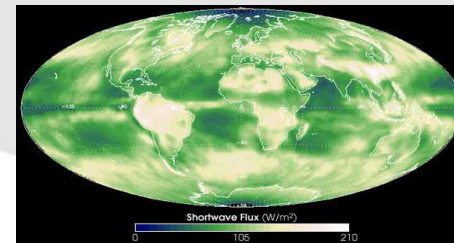
- TRMM (1), EOS Terra (2), EOS Aqua (2), in I&T on NPP

## Critical Resource Margins

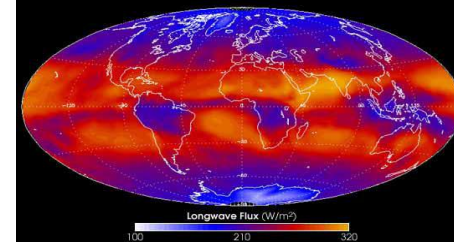
	CERES Value	Allocation	Margin
Mass, kg	46.8	54	13.3%
Power: Operational, Watts	45.85	50	8.3%
Power: Peak, Watts	60	75	20.0%
Power: Survival, Watts	39.5	40	1.3%
Heat Transfer - Hot Case, Watts	4.1	$\pm 5$ W	18.0%
Heat Transfer - Cold Case, Watts	-1.7	$\pm 5$ W	66.0%
Data Rate, Kb / sec	10	10	0
Pointing Control, arcsec	< 114	194	41.2%
Pointing Knowledge, arcsec	< 107	180	40.6%

## Primary CERES Climate Data Records

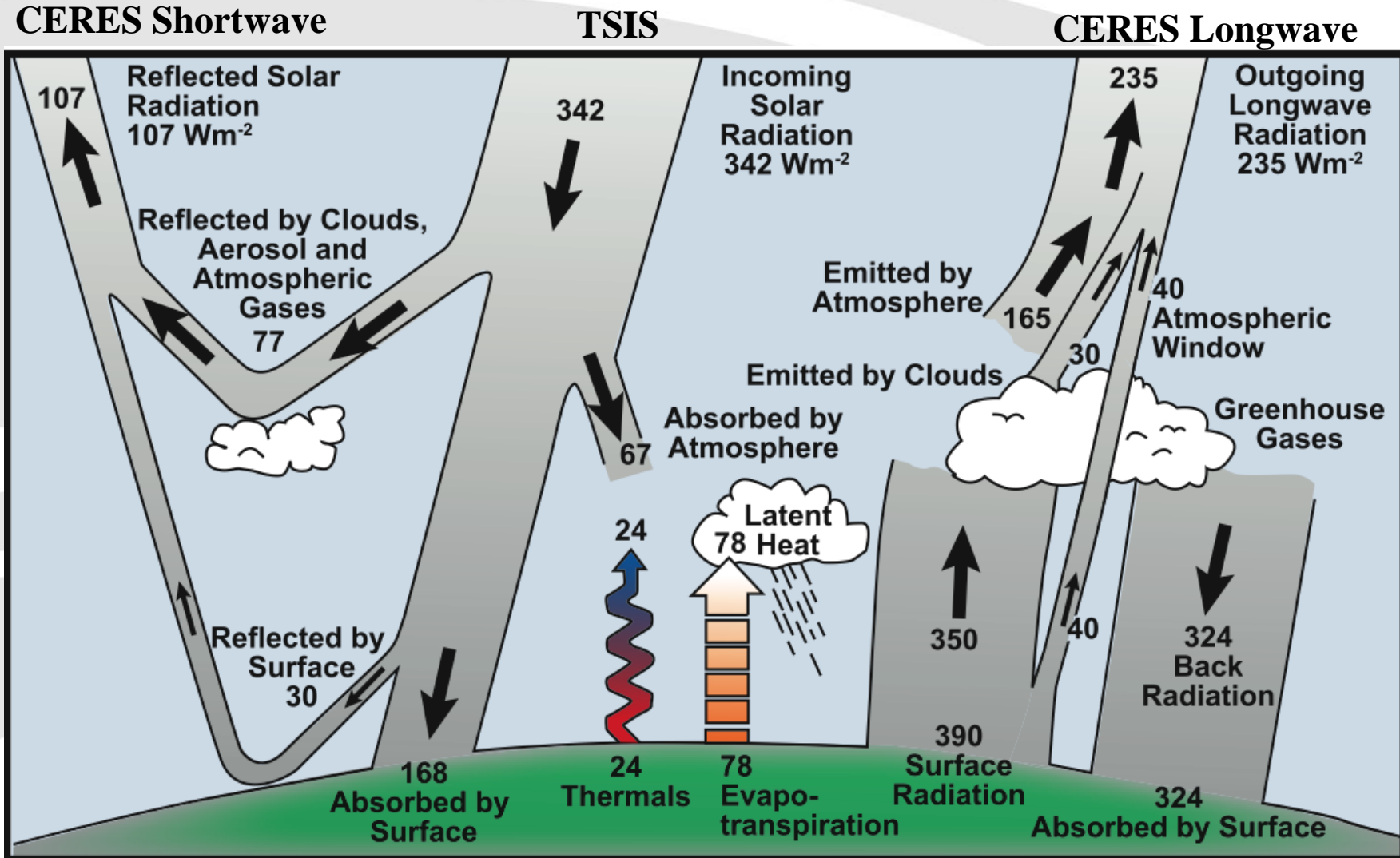
### Reflected Solar Energy



### Emitted Thermal Energy



# Earth Radiation Budget

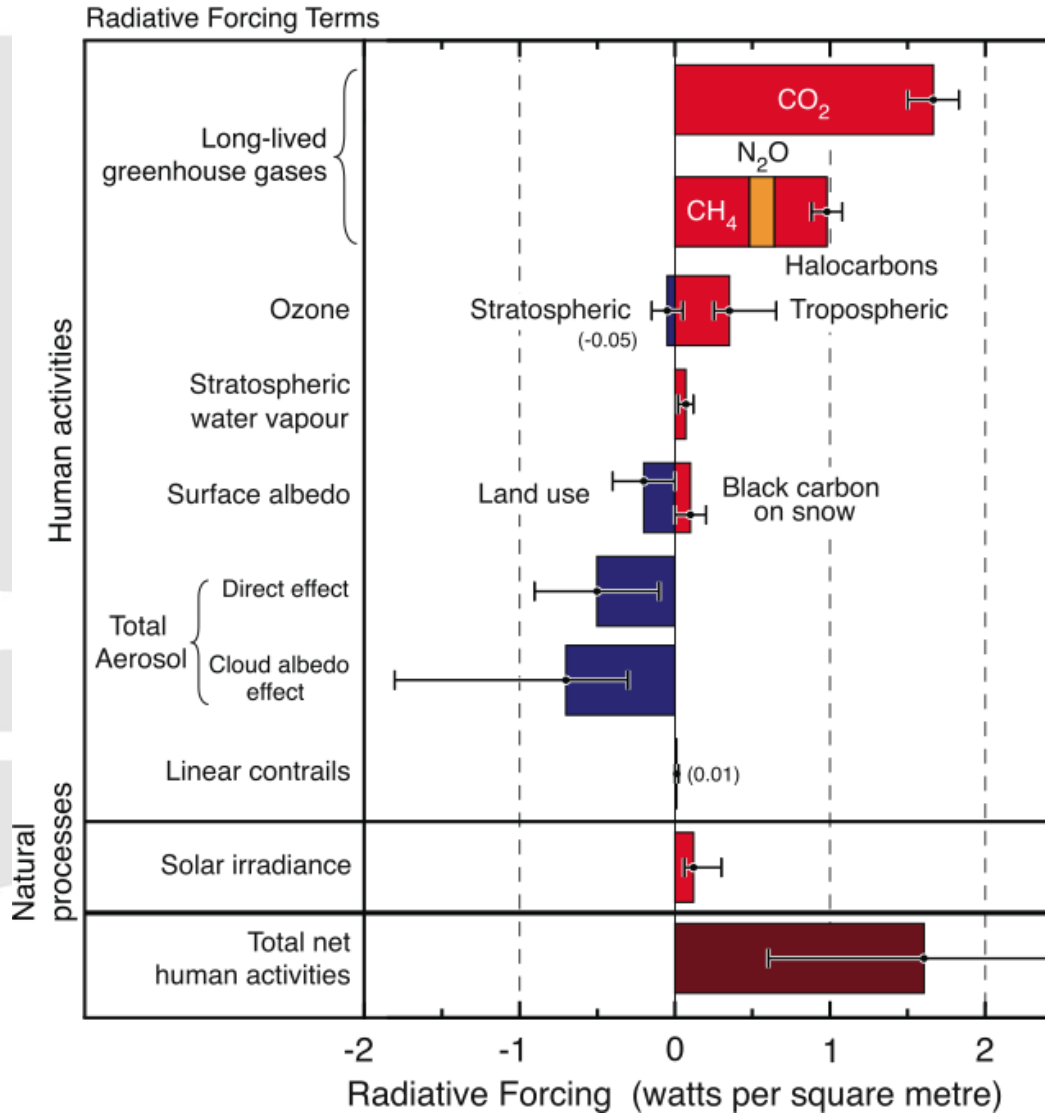


From IPCC AR4 FAQ

# IPCC Radiative Forcing

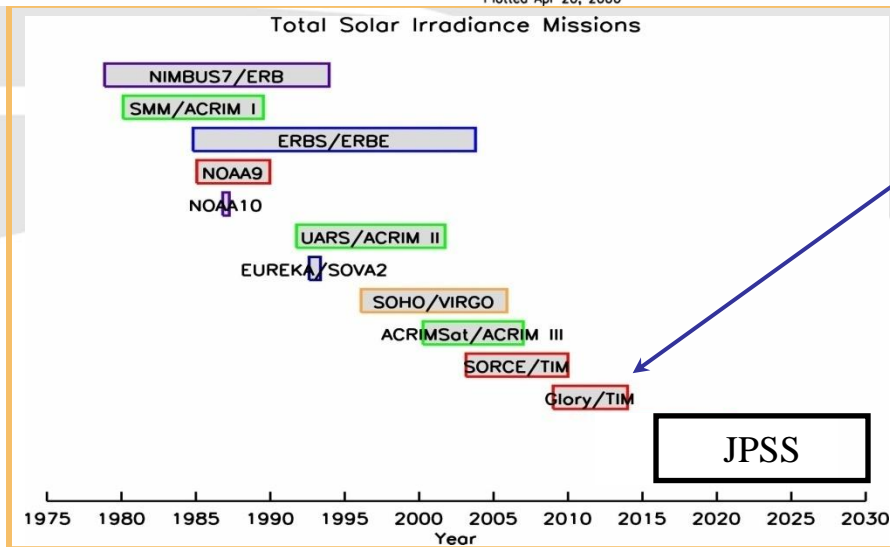
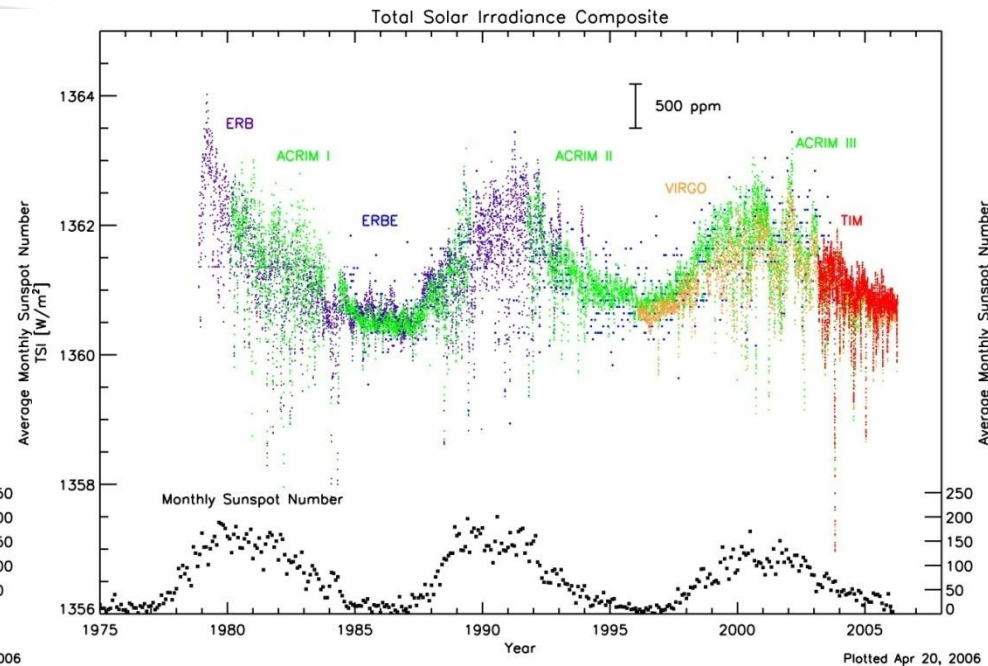
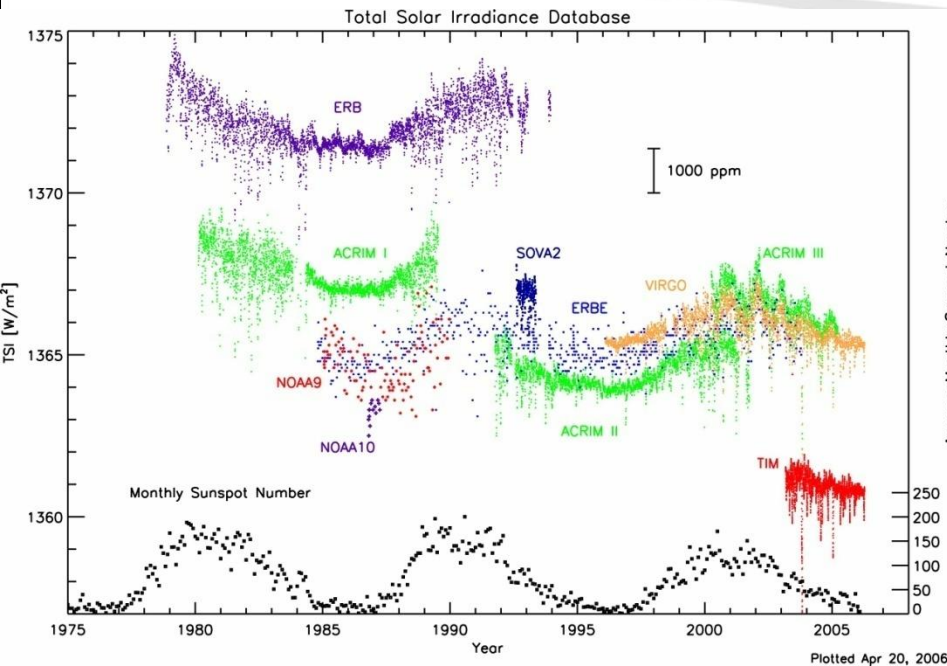


Radiative forcing of climate between 1750 and 2005





# 27-Year TSI Record Relies on Continuity



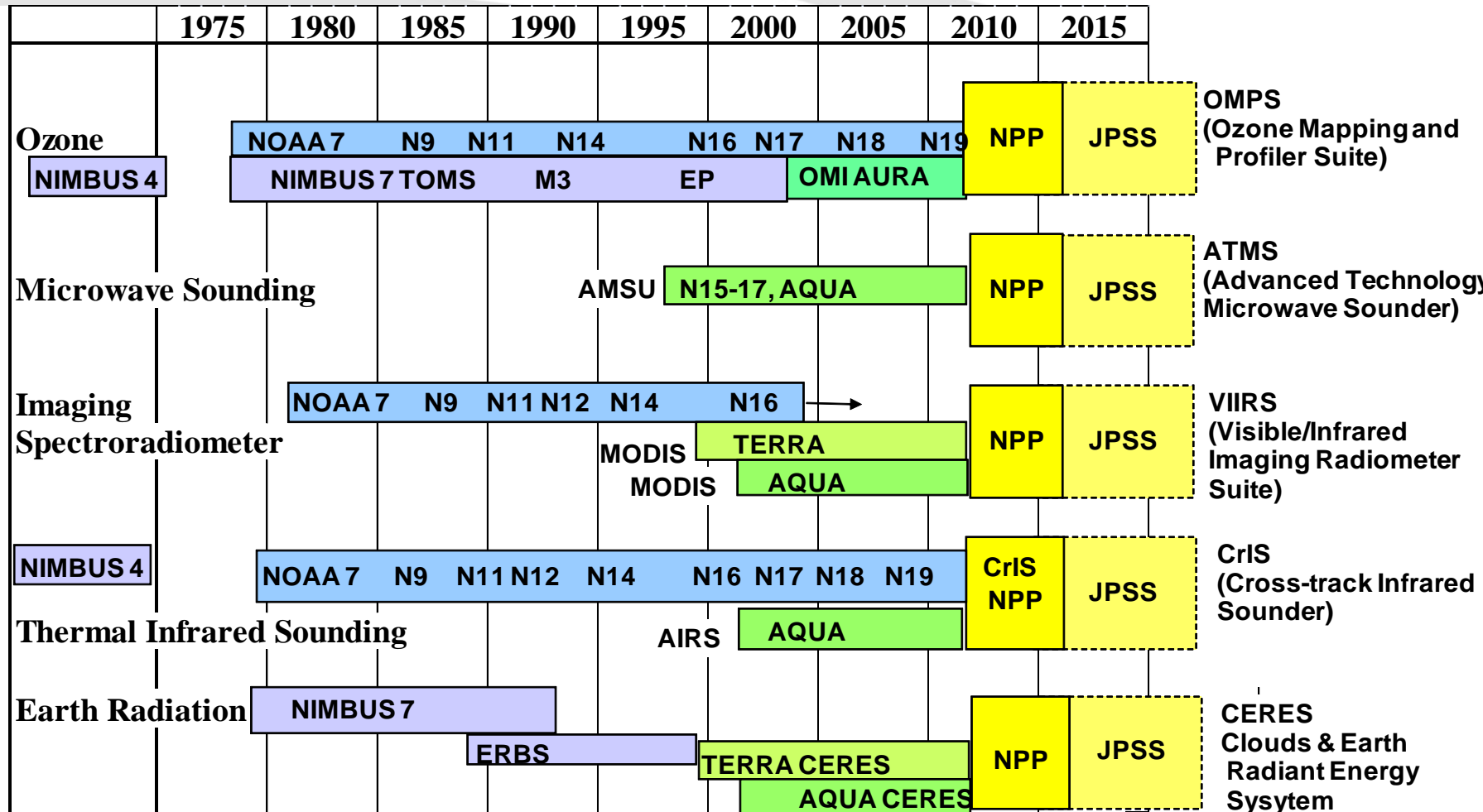
The Glory mission was to fill TSI record between SOFIE and JPSS, which continues TSI EDR.

# JPSS Continues Data Time Series



Year

Measurement System



Conventional Operations

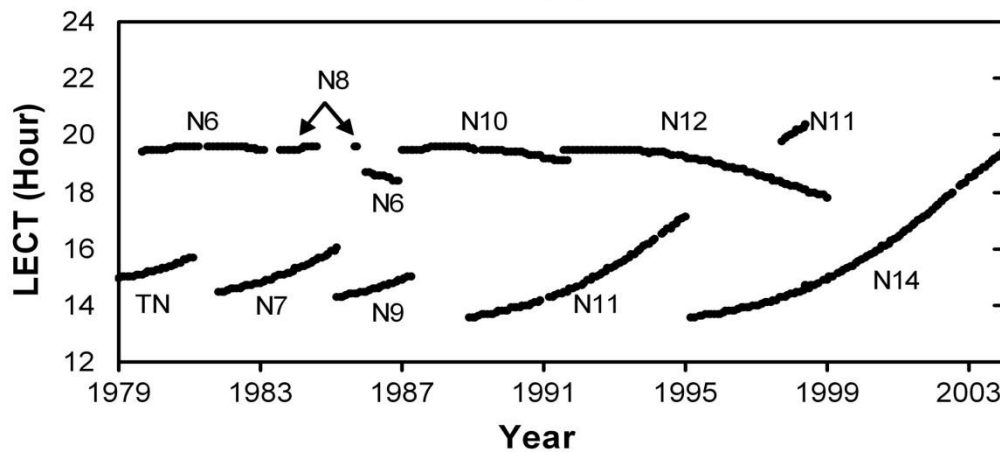
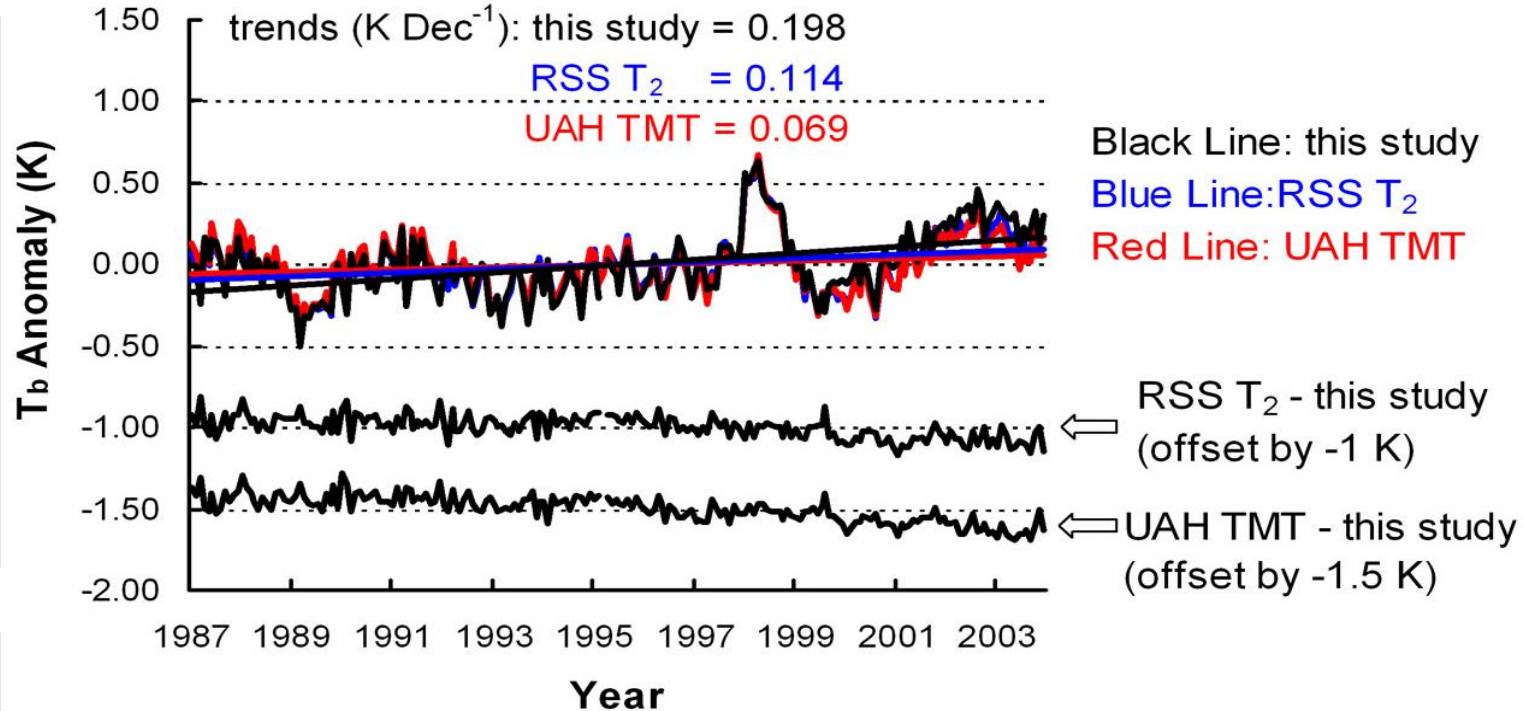
EOS Technology Jump

Research Quality Operations

# MSU Tropospheric Temperature Trends



Zou et al., JGR-Atm, 111 (D19): D19114 OCT 14 2006

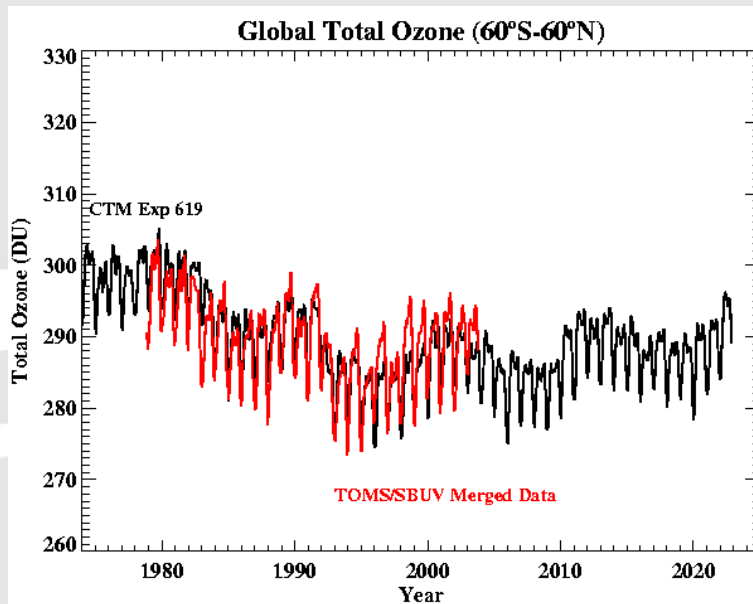


# Climate Science Questions

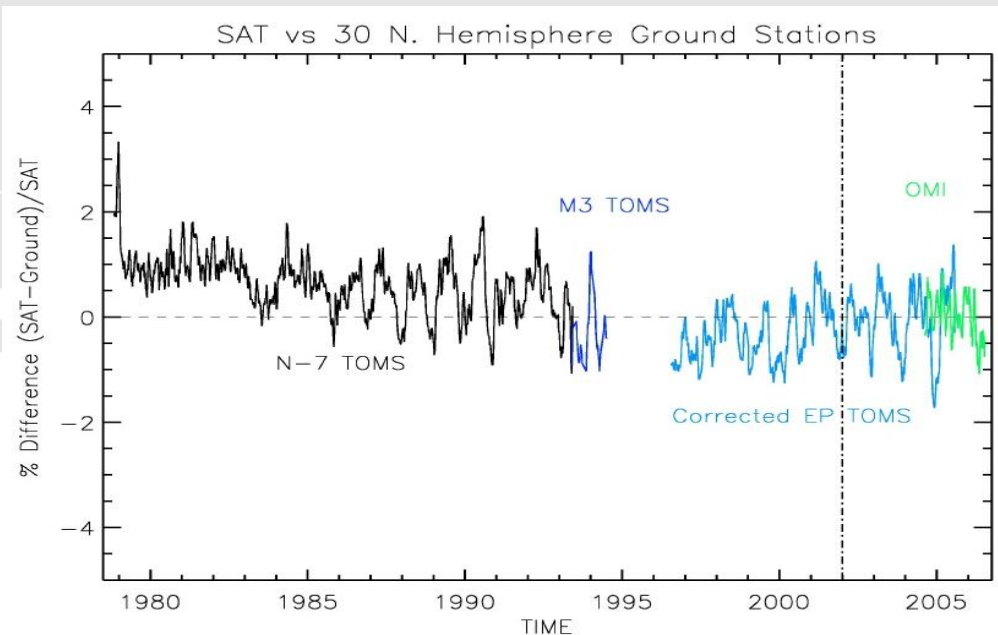
## Can we use past performance to predict the future?



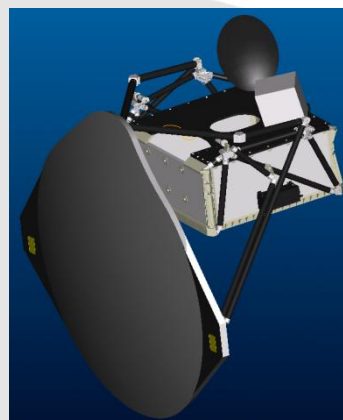
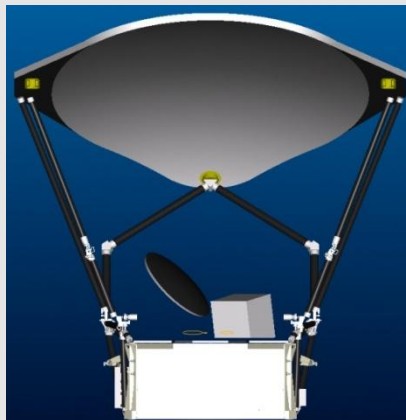
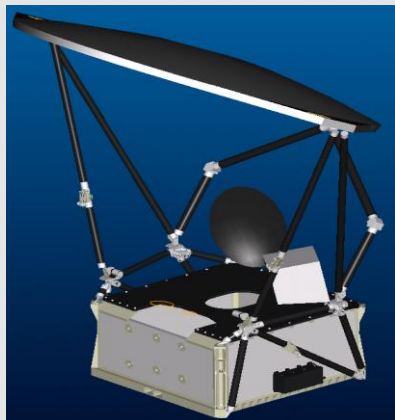
Does the model data reproduce the satellite observations?



How much confidence do we have in the observations?



# Overview of AMSR2 instrument on GCOM



Deployed

Stowed

Deployable main reflector system with 2.0m diameter.

Frequency channel set is identical to that of AMSR-E except 7.3GHz channel for RFI mitigation.

2-point external calibration with the improved HTS (hot-load).

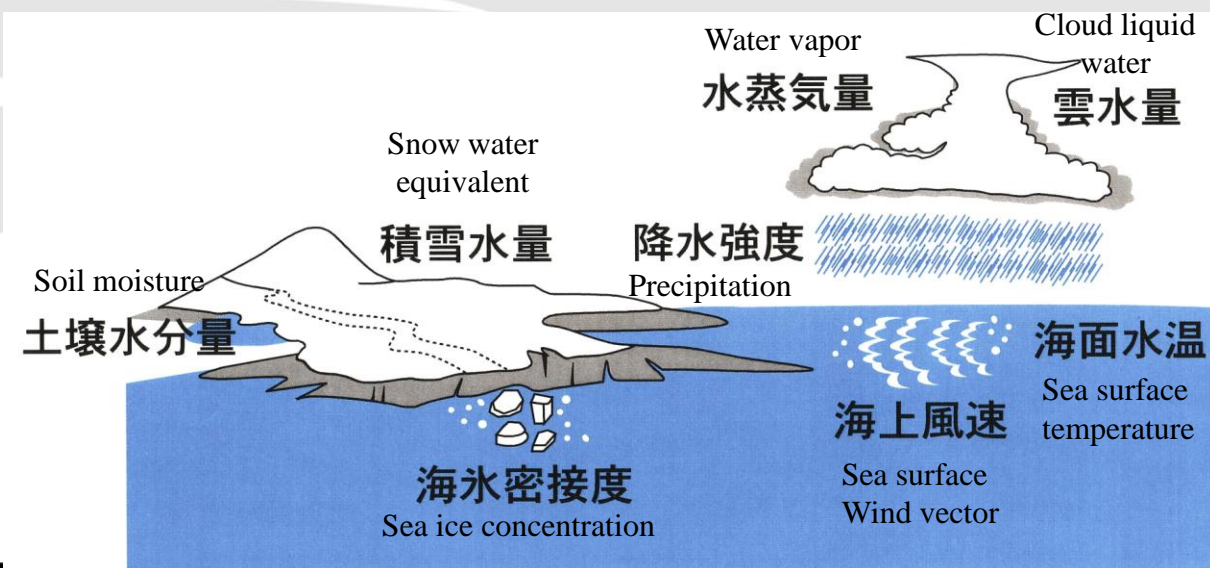
AMSR2 characteristics	
Scan	Conical scan
Swath width	1450km
Antenna	2.0m offset parabola
Digitalization	12bit
Incidence angle	nominal 55 degree
Polarization	Vertical and Horizontal
Dynamic range	2.7-340K

AMSR2 Channel Set				
Center Freq. [GHz]	Band width [MHz]	Polarization	Beam width [deg] (Ground res. [km])	Sampling interval [km]
6.925/7.3	350	V and H	1.8 (35 x 62)	10
			1.7 (34 x 58)	
10.65	100		1.2 (24 x 42)	
18.7	200		0.65 (14 x 22)	
23.8	400		0.75 (15 x 26)	
36.5	1000		0.35 (7 x 12)	
89.0	3000		0.15 (3 x 5)	5

# Overview of AMSR2 EDRs



Geophysical products	Comments
Integrated water vapor	Over global ocean <sup>*</sup> , columnar integrated value
Integrated cloud liquid water	Over global ocean <sup>*</sup> , columnar integrated value
Precipitation	Global (except over ice and snow), surface rain rate
Sea surface temperature	Global ocean <sup>*</sup>
Sea surface wind speed	Global ocean <sup>*</sup>
Sea ice concentration	High latitude ocean areas
Snow depth	Land surface (except dense forest regions)
Soil moisture	Land surface (except ice sheet and dense forest regions)



**Objective is to obtain critical user feedback on the impacts from NPP/JPSS**

**Demonstrate importance of NPP data to the Nation and to critical operational product and services**

Engaging JCSDA (NCEP, NESDIS, NRL, NASA) on early impact data assimilation studies using CrIS and ATMS SDRs.

OMPS -- Engaging NWS Climate Prediction Center – compare OMPS products with SBUV-2, GOME-2 and generate analyses with and without OMPS.

# Additional User Feedback



NWS- Alaska Region use DB software to provide feedback on:

Cloud products, snow, ice, volcanic ash, aerosols  
Soundings

NASA-SPORT will directly engage more than 20 NOAA /NWS Weather Forecast Offices to facilitate use of NPP data and to provide feedback on VIIRS and CrIMSS products.

NRL NEXSAT – uses VIIRS Imagery and EDRs for environmental assessments.



# Need other user engagements



## Need to extend to other products

### Training and outreach are both essential:

UCAR - COMET/METeD Program

SPORT

# Conclusions



**JPSS Mission will provide:**

**Input Observations for Weather Forecast Models  
CrIS, ATMS, VIIRS, OMPS & GCOM**

**Short term Environmental Observations  
(Events)  
VIIRS, OMPS, CrIS, ATMS & GCOM**

**Long term Environmental Observations  
(Climate Change Detection)  
CERES, TSIS, VIIRS, OMPS, CrIS, ATMS & GCOM**

**User Engagement is critical for ultimate mission success**