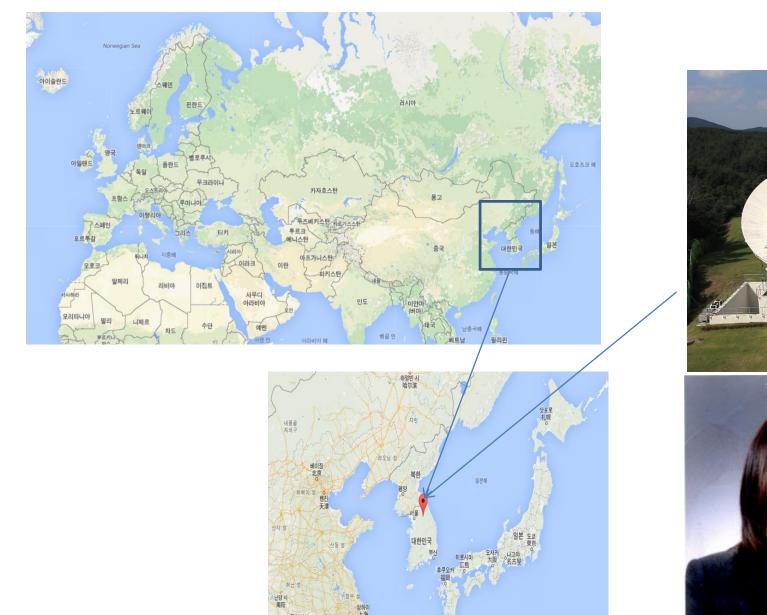
Monitoring Convective cloud with COMS at KMA

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KMA/NMSC



1. Organization & Personnel

- · New organization (since April 30, 2009)
- · 3 divisions and 43 employees

	Satellite	Satellite	Satellite
	planning	operation	analysis
	division	division	division
Current(43)	16	15	12

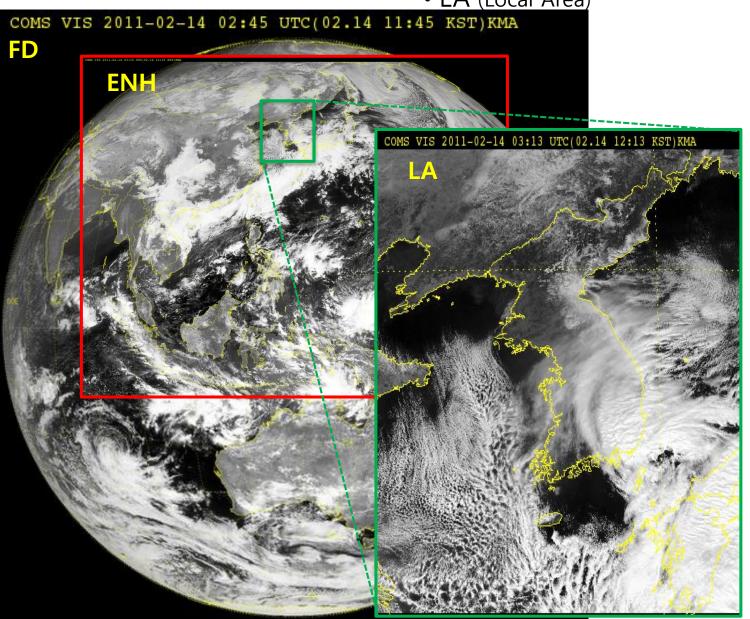
2. Missions

- Meteorological Satellite Development & Operation
- Foreign Satellite Data Reception/
 Process/Analysis/Distribution
- Real-time Analysis and Service of Meteorological Satellite Data
- International and Nationwide Cooperation in Meteorological Satellite

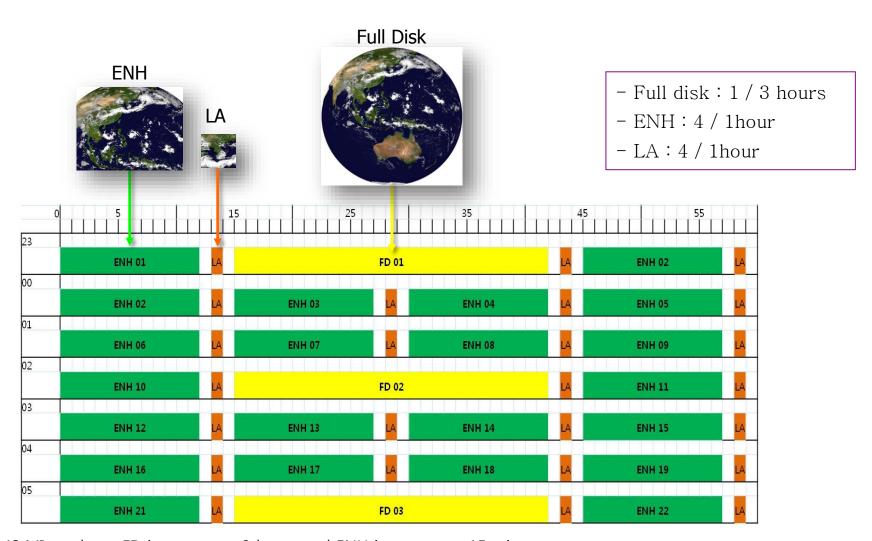
COMS OBS. Modes

- FD (Full Disk)
- ENH (Extended Northern Hemisphere)

LA (Local Area)



COMS Obs. schedule



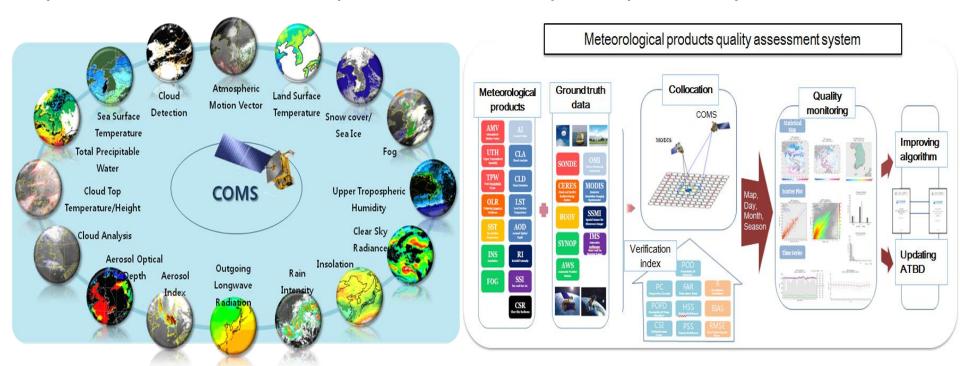
- COMS MI produces FD image every 3 hours and ENH image every 15 minutes
- LA image can be obtained between ENH and FD

Characteristics of COMS observation

- COMS observation schedule focus on supporting now-casting weather service.
 - ✓ It was designed for frequent observation, 4 times (00, 15, 30, 45min.) an hour over ENH region.
- Especially, NMSC/KMA can obtain 8 times an hour satellite data over Korea Peninsular (KP).
 - ✓ It is significantly effective to monitor heavy rain producing convective cloud which develops locally or is coming from west sea of KP during summertime.
- We can get more distinctive satellite images over KP with COMS.
 - ✓ Since COMS is located at 128.2E, COMS image has smaller shadow area and lower SZA over KP for MTSAT image.

COMS 16 products

- COMS public service started officially on April 1, 2011.
- COMS 16 secondary products has been produced operationally by CMDPS(COMS Meteorological Data Processing System).
- All of COMS secondary products are validated with ground based observation data or polar orbit satellite derived products etc. and reported periodically.



COMS Products for monitoring



- convective cloud (1)
- COMS WV RGB images
 - Every 15 mins over ENH region from COMS
- Monitoring WV AMV and NWP PV changes
- ❖ Monitoring NWP instability and TB of WV IR
- * RDT (Rapid Developing Thunderstorm):
 - Every 15 mins over ENH region from COMS
 - Developed by EUMETSAT NWCSAF
 - Provides the direction and velocity of movement of convective cell
- COMS Convective RGB images
- Cloud Type, Cloud Top Temperature/Pressure
 - Every 15 mins over ENH region from COMS

COMS Products for monitoring convective cloud (2)



QPE from COMS

- COMS RI (Rainfall Intensity, mm/h):
 - Every 15 mins over ENH region
 - PMM (Probability Matching Method(Atlas et al (1990) & Crosson et al (1996))
 - SSMI/DMSP RR(Rainfall Rate, mm/h)

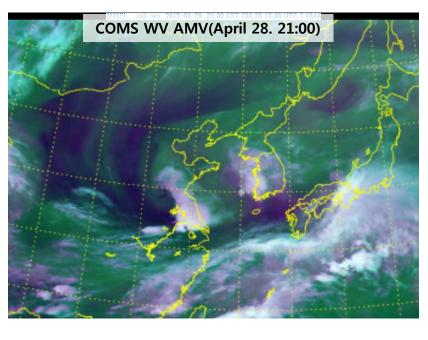
$$\int_{R_{\!\scriptscriptstyle k}}^{R_{\!\scriptscriptstyle i}}\!P(R)dR\!\!=\int_{BTT_{\!\scriptscriptstyle k}}^{BTT_{\!\scriptscriptstyle i}}\!P(BTT)dBTT$$

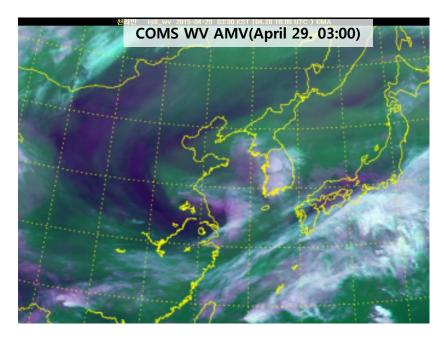
- ✓ R: SSMI RR, BTT: COMS IR brightness temperature
- ✓ SSMI RR /DMSP F13-F15(25km X 25 km) about 20 times a day observing over ENH region

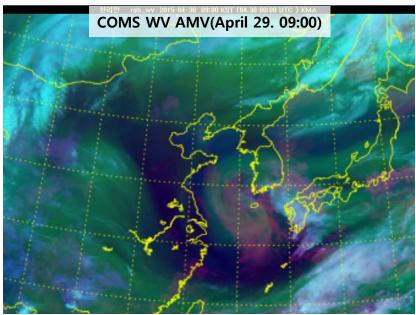
COMS CRR (Convective Rainfall Rate, mm/h):

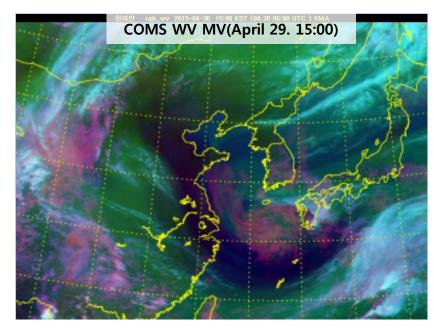
- Every 15 mins over ENH region
- Developed by EUMETSAT NWCSAF using LUT between IR Tb and radar rain rate
- Estimated for convective cloud with radar reflectivity of greater than 35 dBz
- Corrected for orographic effect, lightning, moisture, etc.

❖ COMS WV RGB images





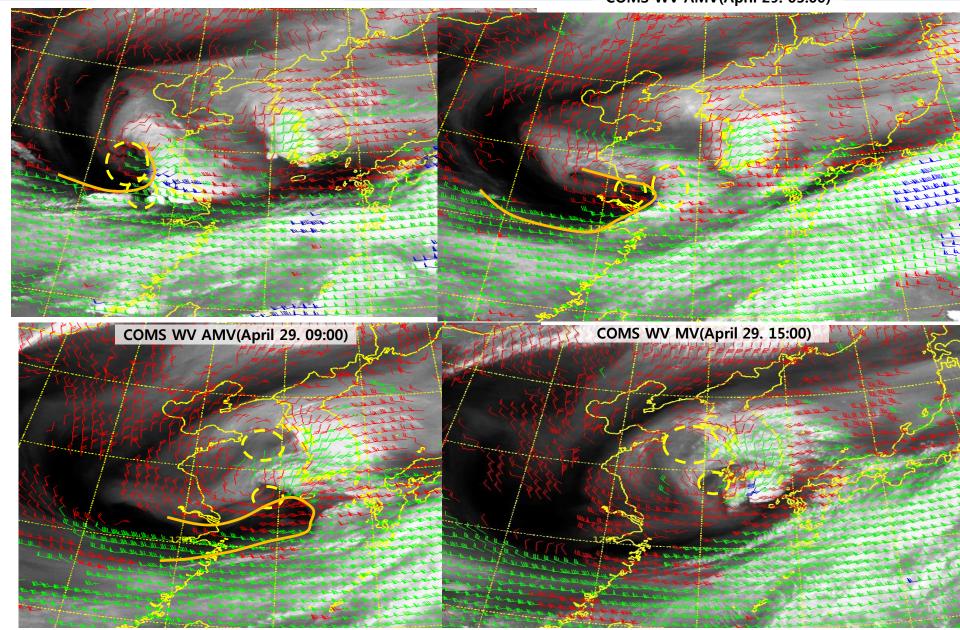




COMS WV AMV

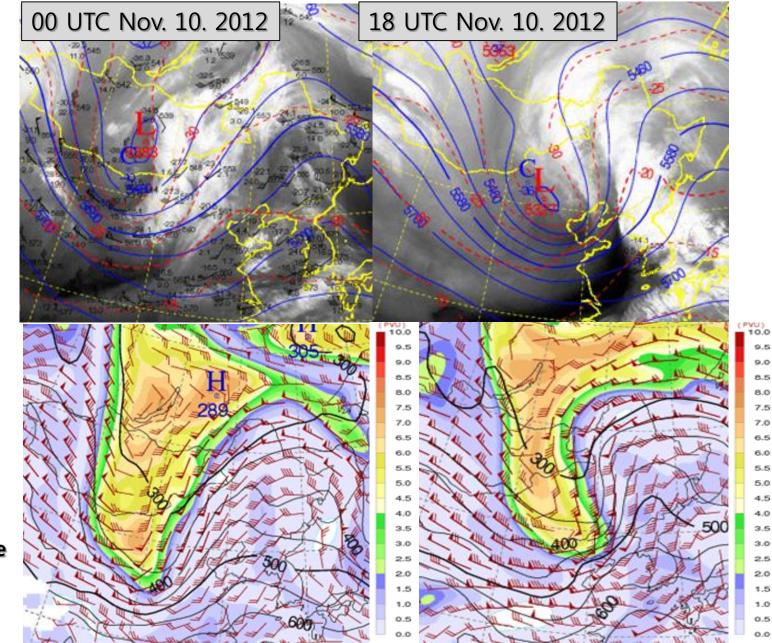
COMS WV AMV(April 28. 21:00)

COMS WV AMV(April 29. 03:00)

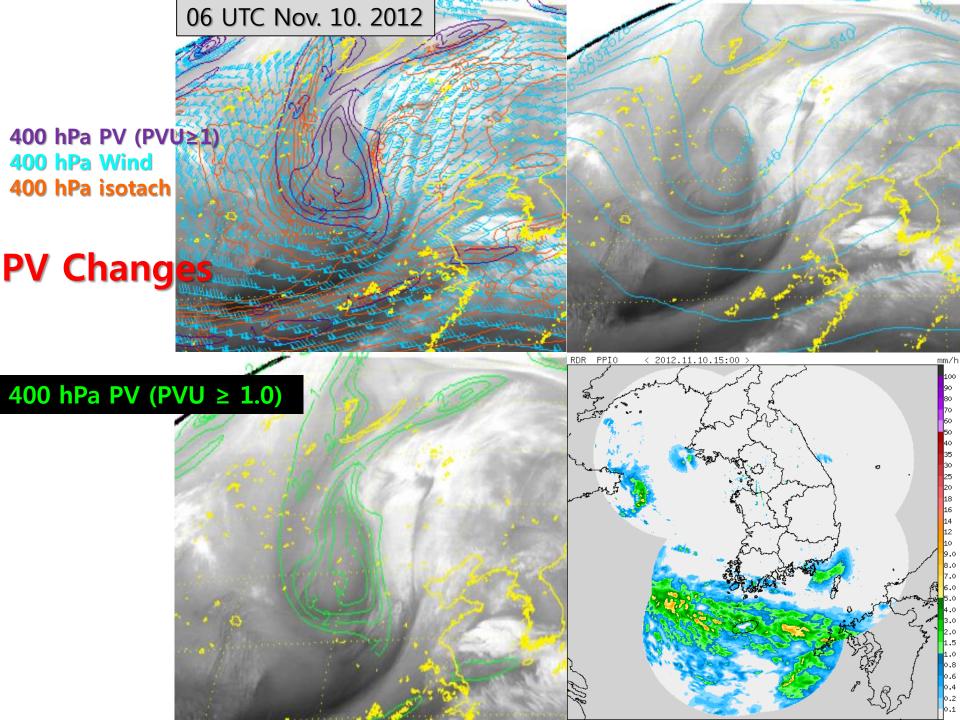


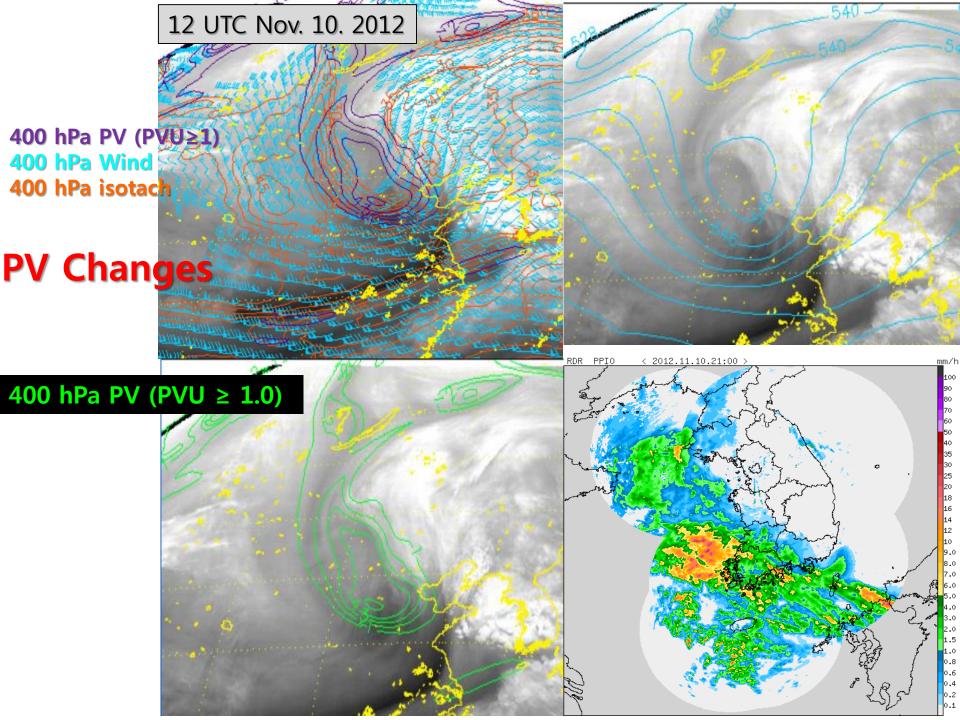
NWP PV changes

500 hPa



PV At 310K theta surface

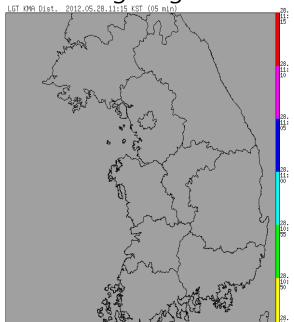




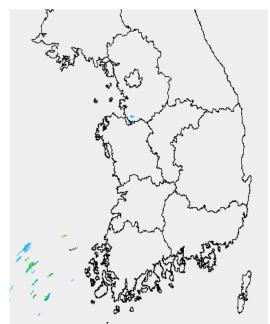
Monitoring WV - IR

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Min brightness temperature: 269.63 K
Max brightness temperature: 293.18 K
Mean brightness temperature: 284.85 K
Standard Deviation: 4.534

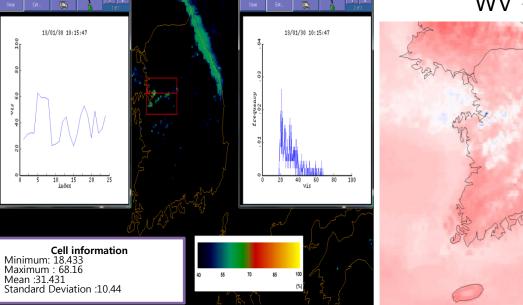
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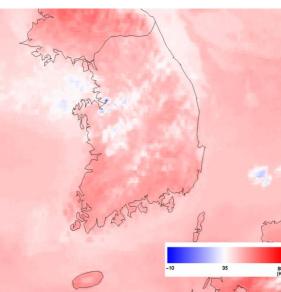


Radar Rain Rate

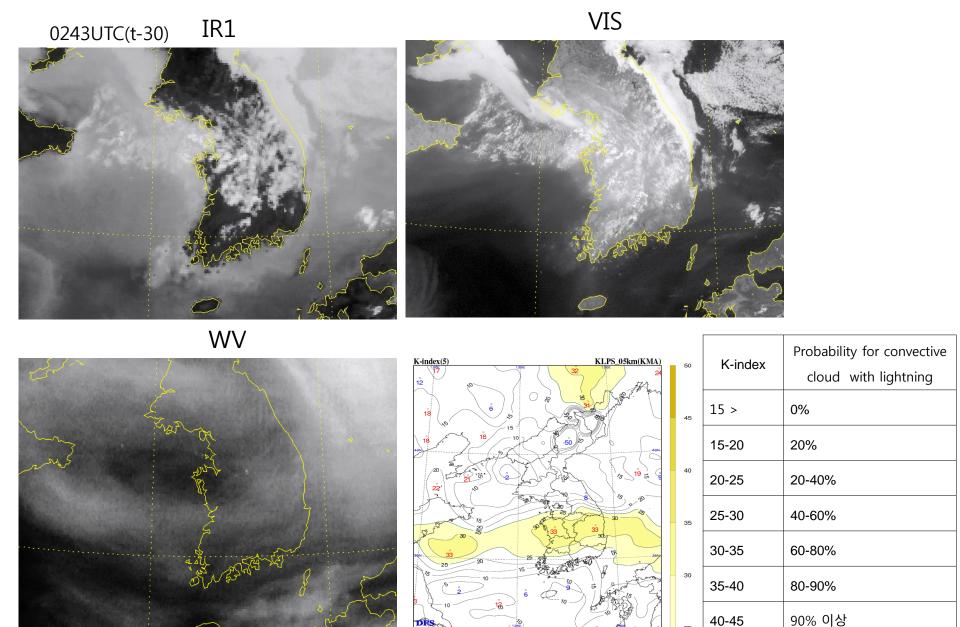


WV - IR

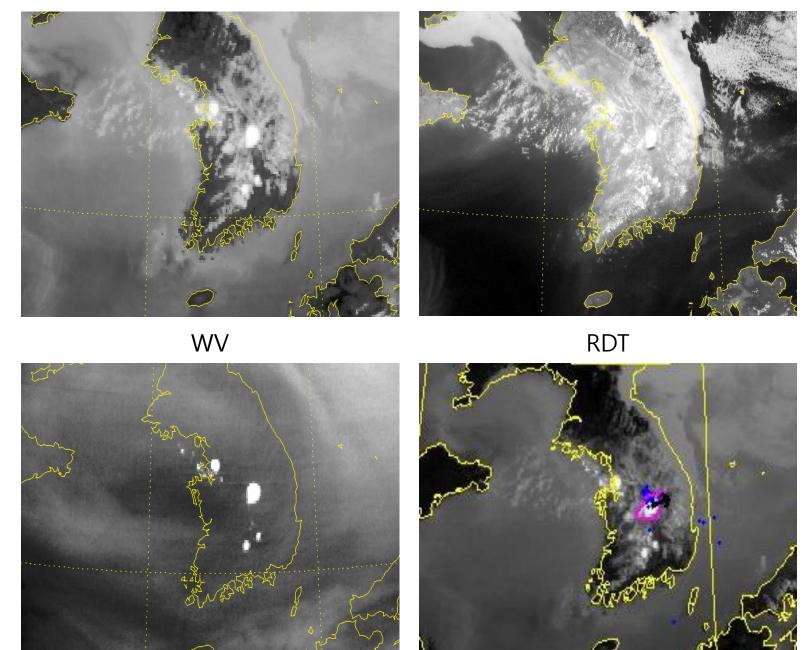




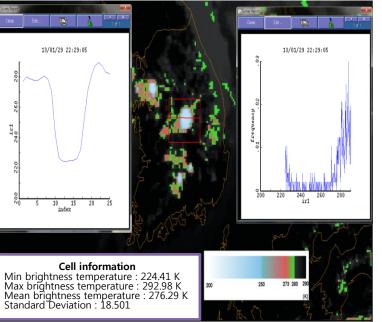
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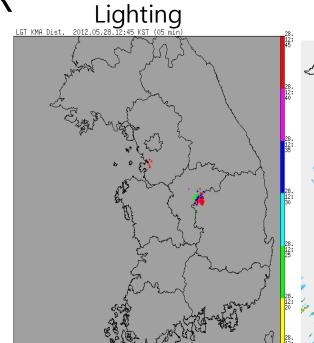


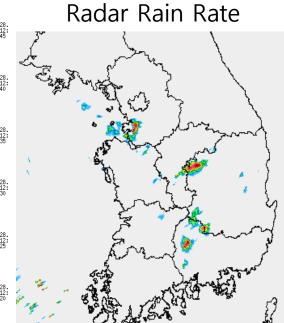
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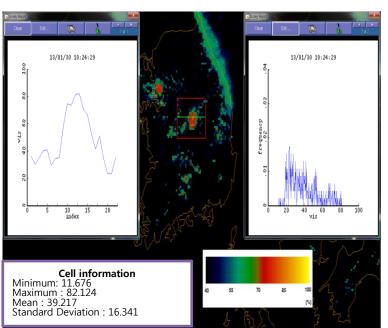


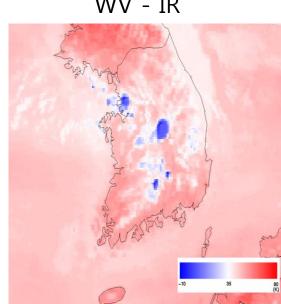
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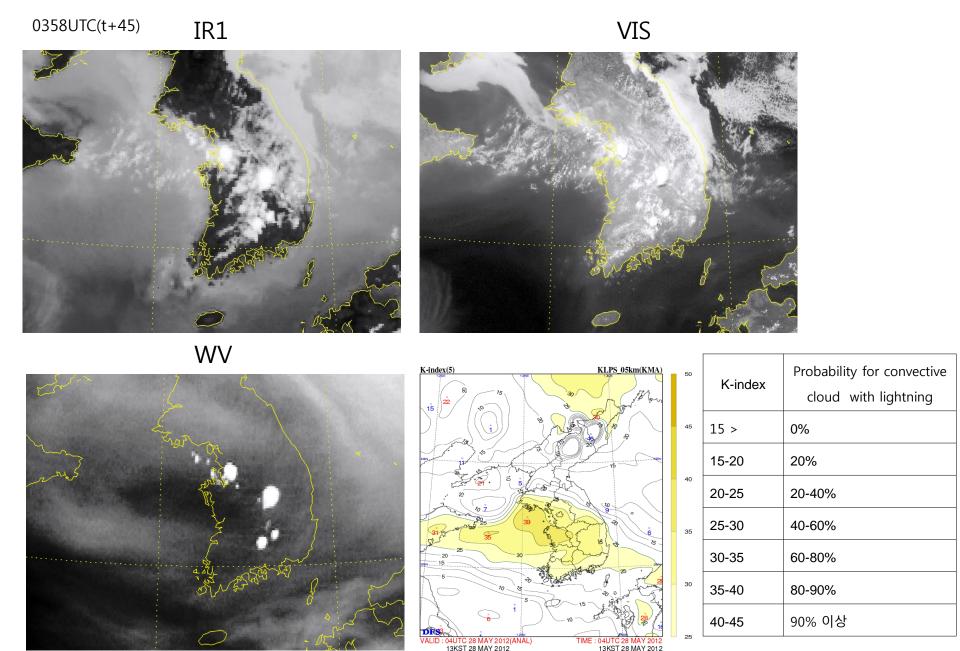






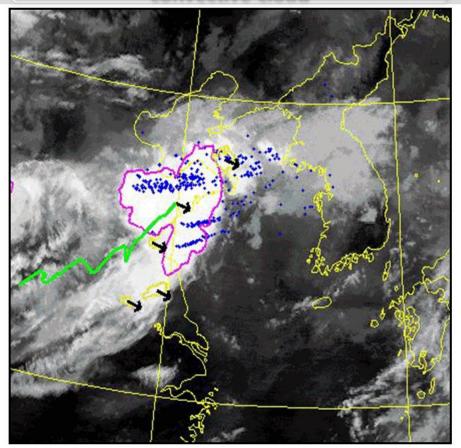
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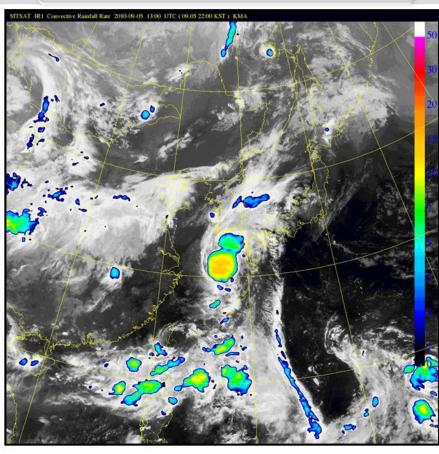
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Detection & tracking of convective cloud

Convective Rainfall Rate(mm/hr)







→direction 🏭 lightening



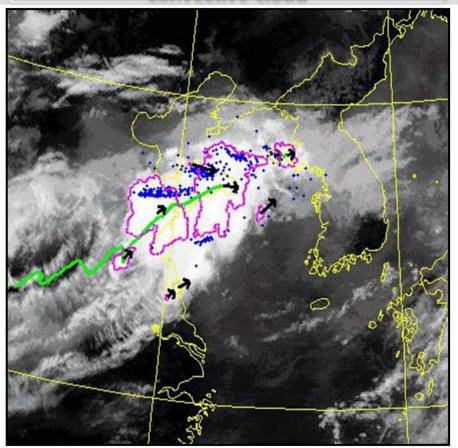


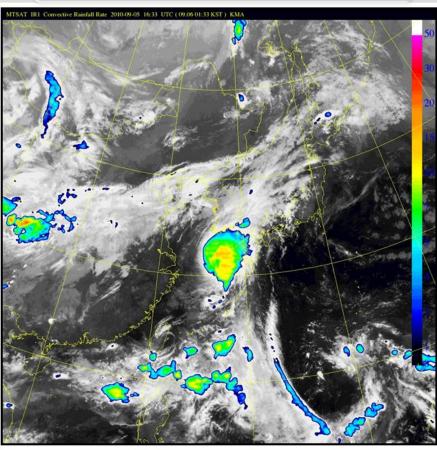
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Detection & tracking of convective cloud













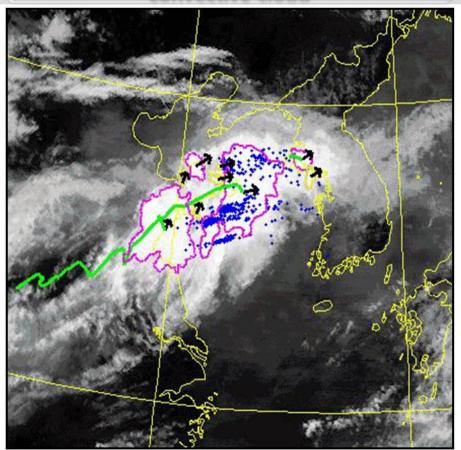


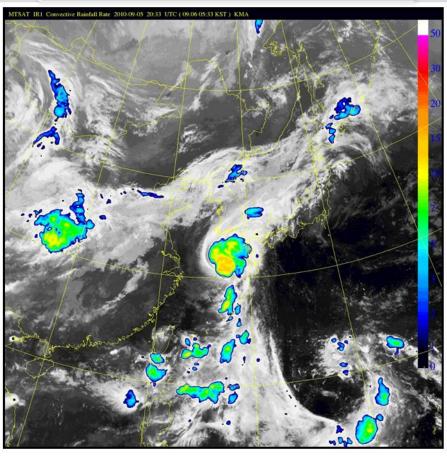
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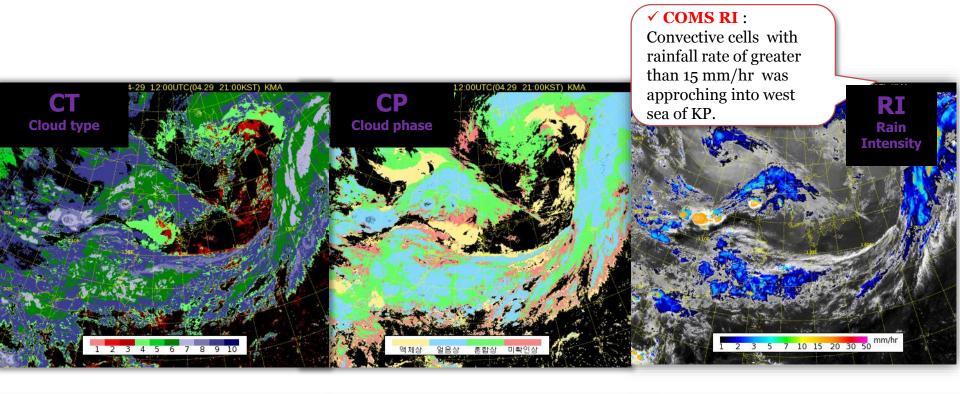


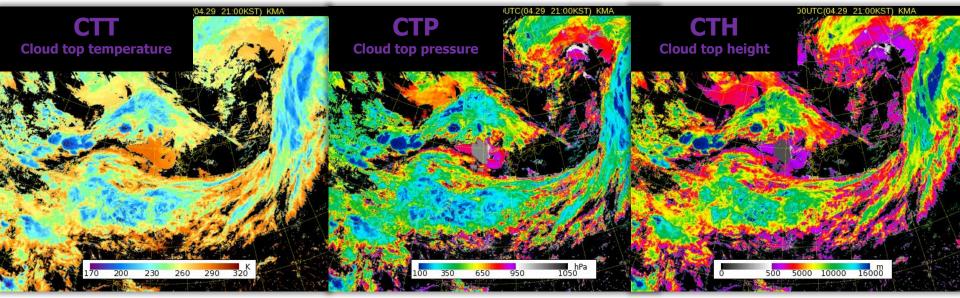
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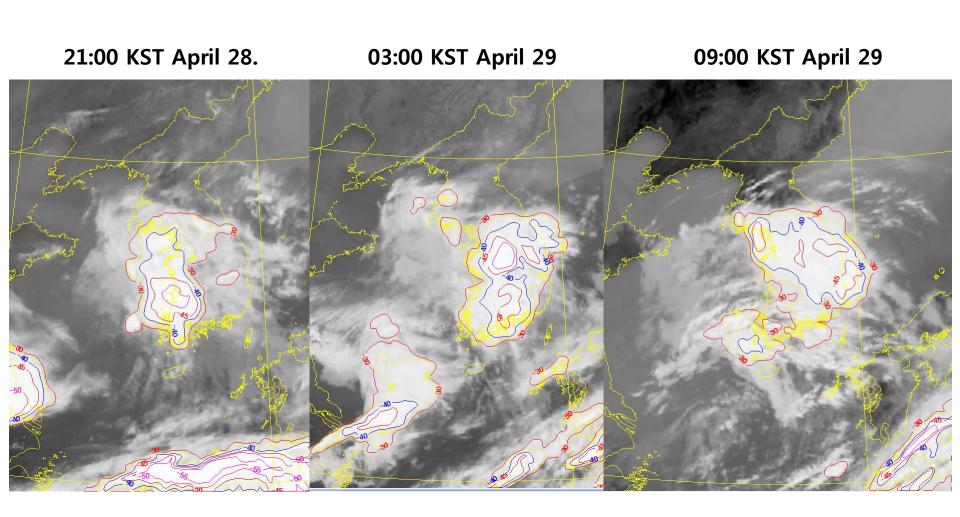
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- Satellite analyst are providing cloud analysis report for weather forecasting with COMS products such as CT, CP, CTT and CTP.

COMS Cloud Top Temperature (CTT)

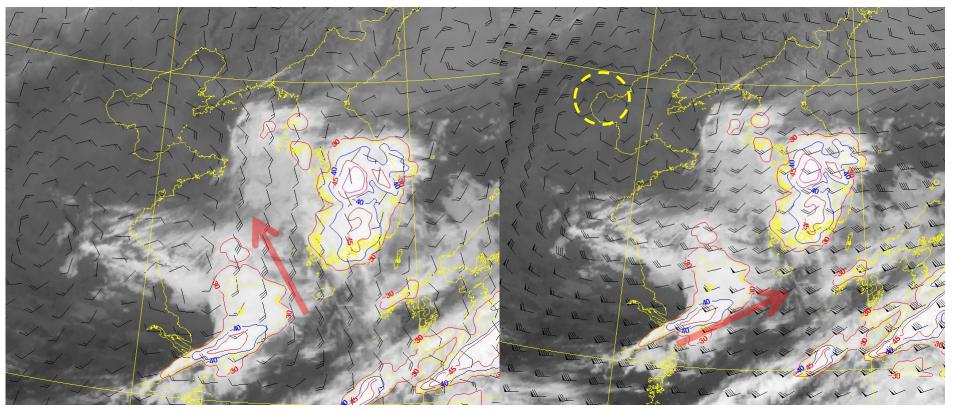


Vertical wind field when rain intensity peaks

(03:00 KST April 29)

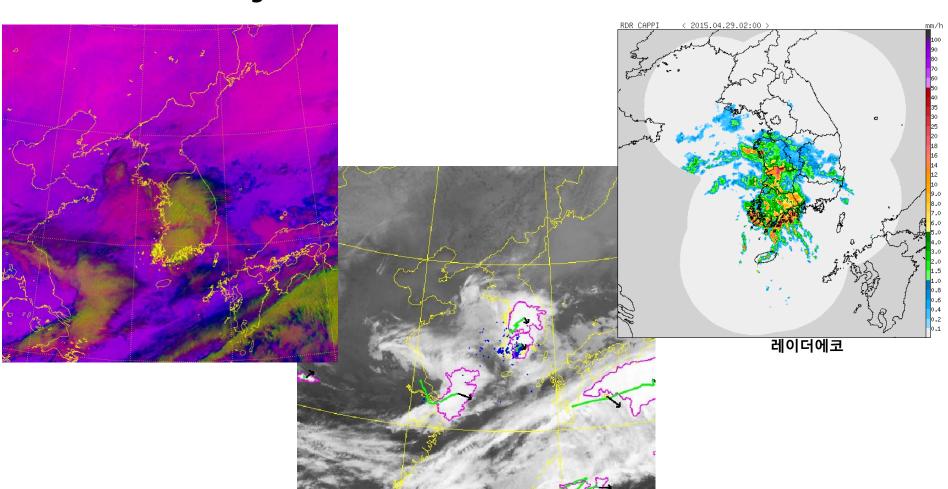
925 hPa Wind field

300hPa wind field



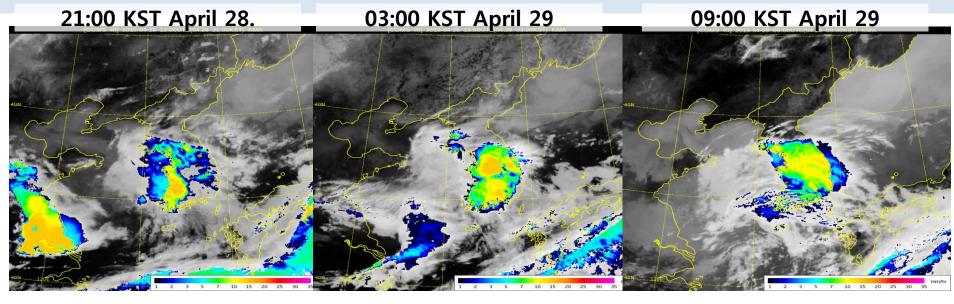
Convective RGB images

Radar rainfall rate

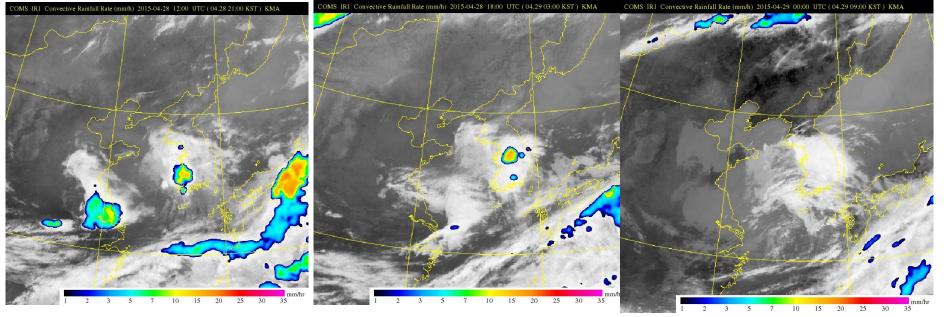


RDT (Rapid Developing Thunderstorm)

COMS RI

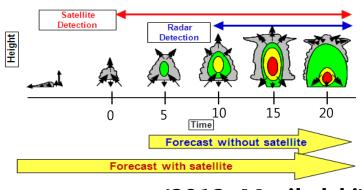




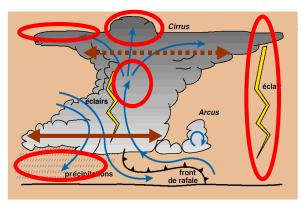


On going CI retrieval

✓ Detection of convective cloud producing heavy rain is very important in supporting nowcasting and shortterm forecasting



(2012, Mecikalski)



(2013, Moisselin)

✓ Our goal is to detect cloud which has chance to develop into convective cloud with heavy rain within 1 hour

Flow chart of CI

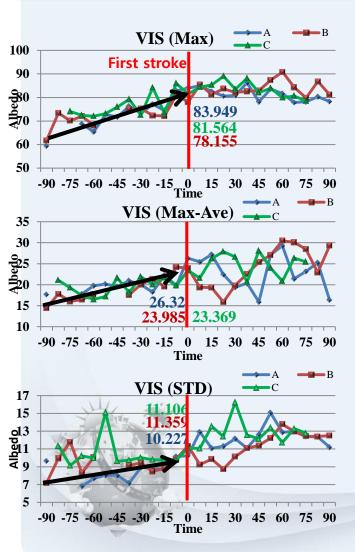
COMS data Non Detection Area NO IR1 < 290K, VIS > 45% IR1-IR2 < 4.5KYES NO **Interest Fields Check** CI Area Detection 7 pixel (VIS maximum, IR minimum) 21 pixel (average, Standard deviation)

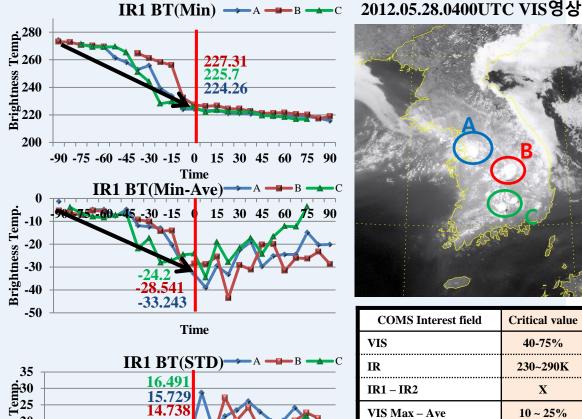
CI determinant parameters

COMS Interest field		
VIS	Preprocess	Clear sky removal
IR 		Cirrus removal
VIS Maximum – Average VIS Standard Deviation IR1 Brightness Temperature Minimum – Average IR1 Brightness Temperature Standard Deviation	Convective cloud estimation by cloud roughness	
IR3(WV) – IR1	Convective cloud estimation	
Time trend of VIS Maximum Time trend of VIS Average Time trend of IR1 Average Time trend of IR1 Minimum	Time trend of convective cloud (use of AMV)	



May 28. 2012 (Convection by instability)





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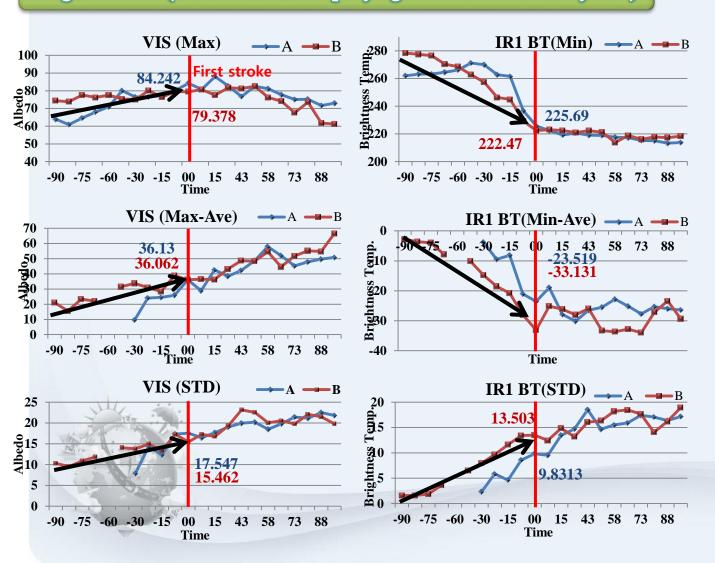
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Brightness T

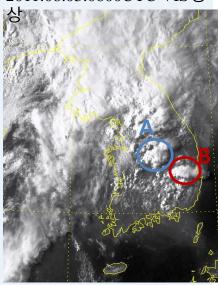
COMS Interest field	Critical value
VIS	40-75%
IR	230~290K
IR1 – IR2	X
VIS Max – Ave	10 ~ 25%
VIS STD	5.0 ~ 10.0
IR1 BT Min – Ave	-30 ~ 0K
IR1 BT STD	1.0 ~ 15.0
IR3(WV) – IR1	-40 ~ -10K



August 3 2011 (Convection accompanying with front and low system)



2011.08.03.0800UTC VIS영



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IR	230 ~ 290K
IR1 – IR2	X
VIS Max – Ave	5 ~ 35%
VIS STD	5.0 ~ 15.0
IR1 BT Min – Ave	-25 ~ 0K
IR1 BT STD	1.0 ~ 12.0
IR3(WV) – IR1	-30 ~ 0K

Convection by instability

- Lead time at A, B, C: 30-45 mins.
- CIs at A and C were detected earlier than Radar echo

Convection accompanying with front and low system

- Lead time at A, B, C: 30-45 mins.
- CI at D was detected in 15 mins after first stroke occurs

