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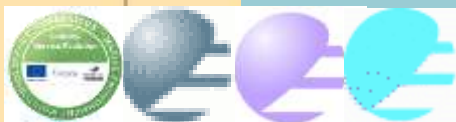
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Scatterometer Winds for NRT Support to Mesoscale Forecasting

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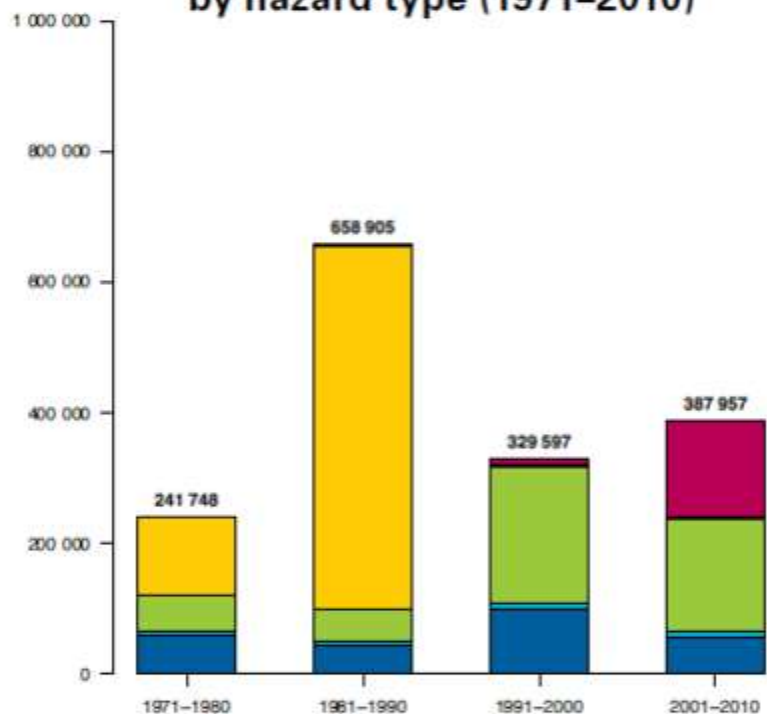


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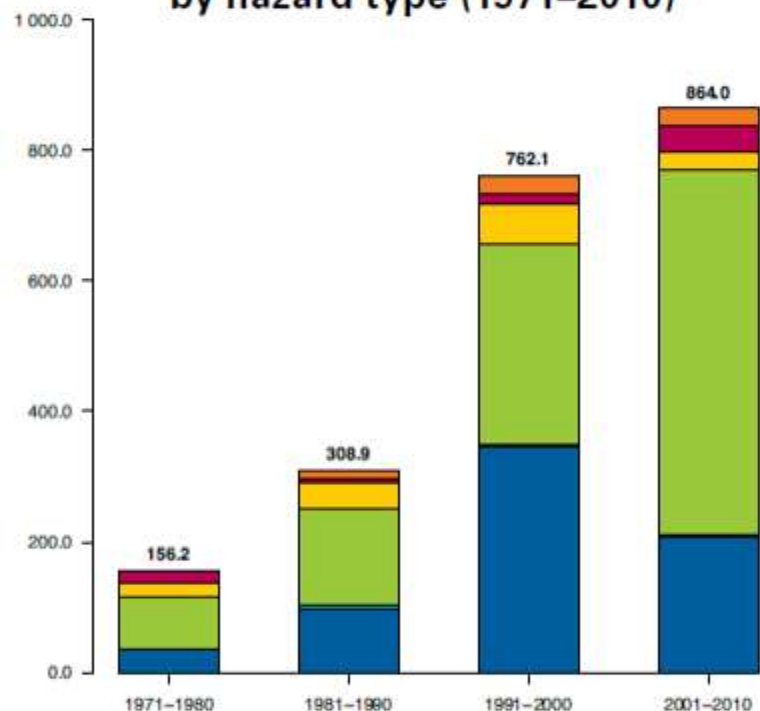
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Deaths and economic losses by hydrometeorological hazards

Number of reported deaths by decade by hazard type (1971–2010)



Reported economic losses by decade by hazard type (1971–2010)



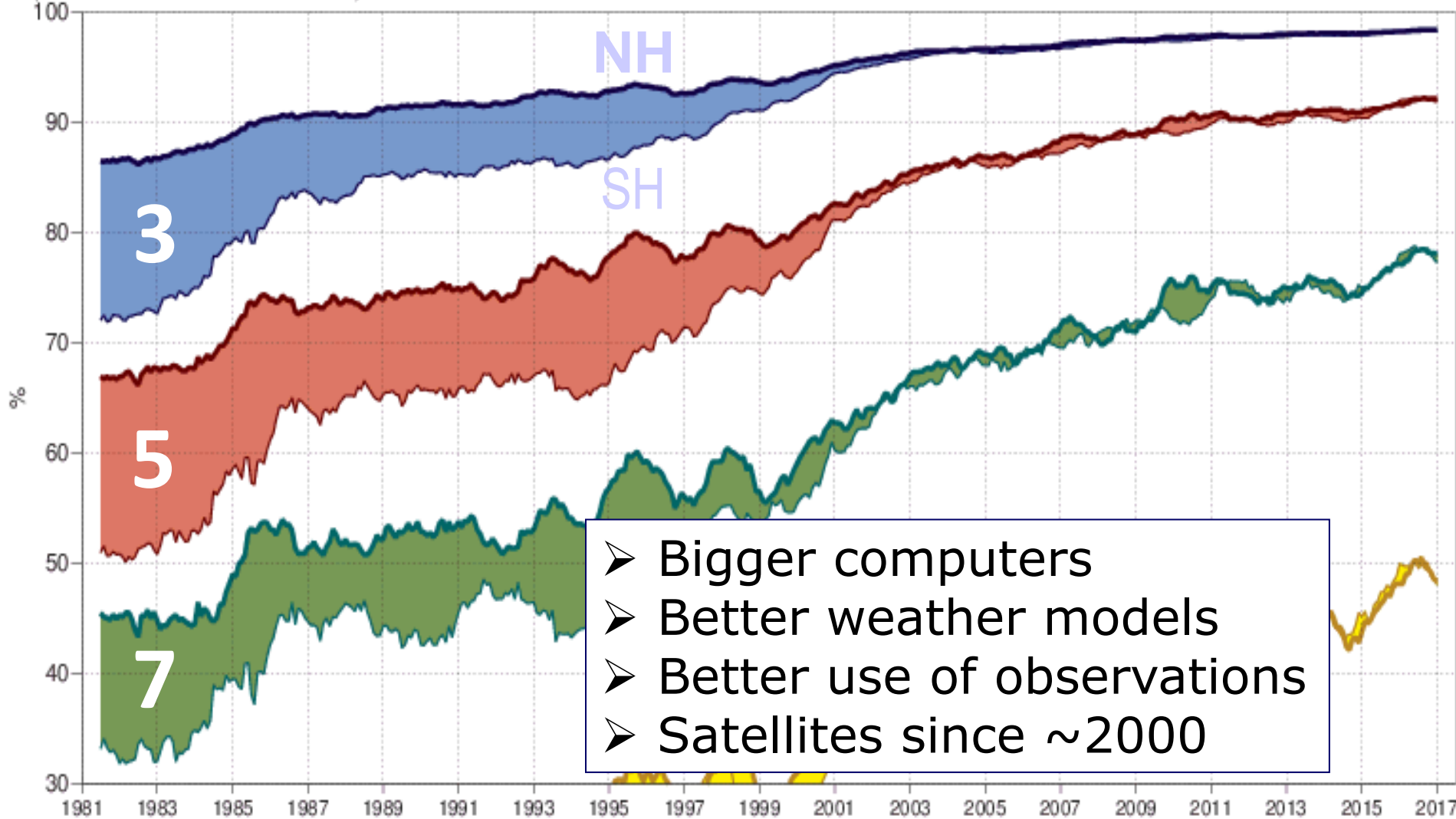
(in US\$ billion, adjusted to 2012)

■ Floods
 ■ Mass movement wet
 ■ Storms
 ■ Droughts
 ■ Extreme temperature
 ■ Wildfires

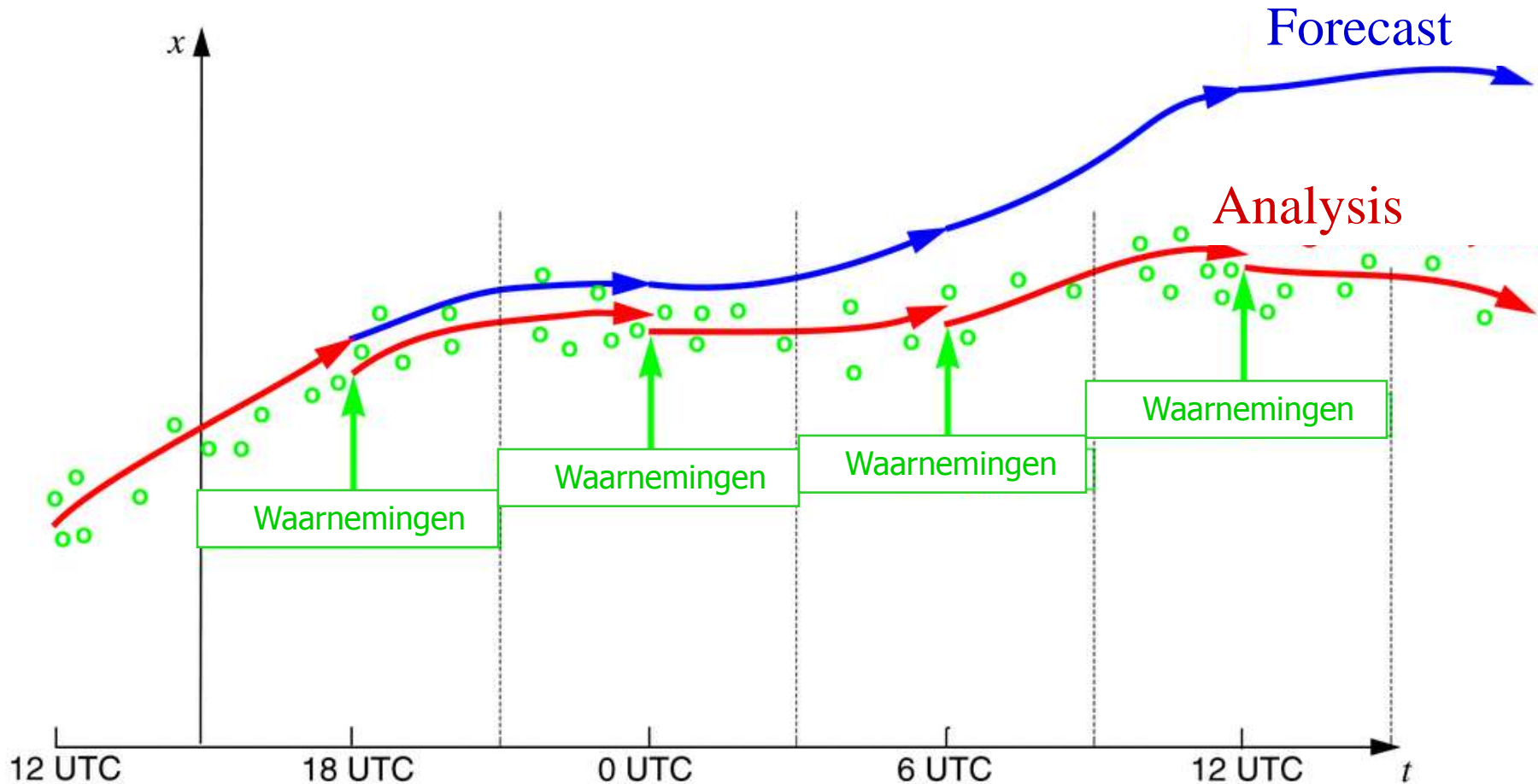
Weather Forecasts keep improving

500hPa geopotential height
Anomaly correlation
12-month running mean
(centered on the middle of the window)

Day 7 NHem	Day 3 NHem
Day 7 SHem	Day 3 SHem
Day 10 NHem	Day 5 NHem
Day 10 SHem	Day 5 SHem



Observations lead weather models



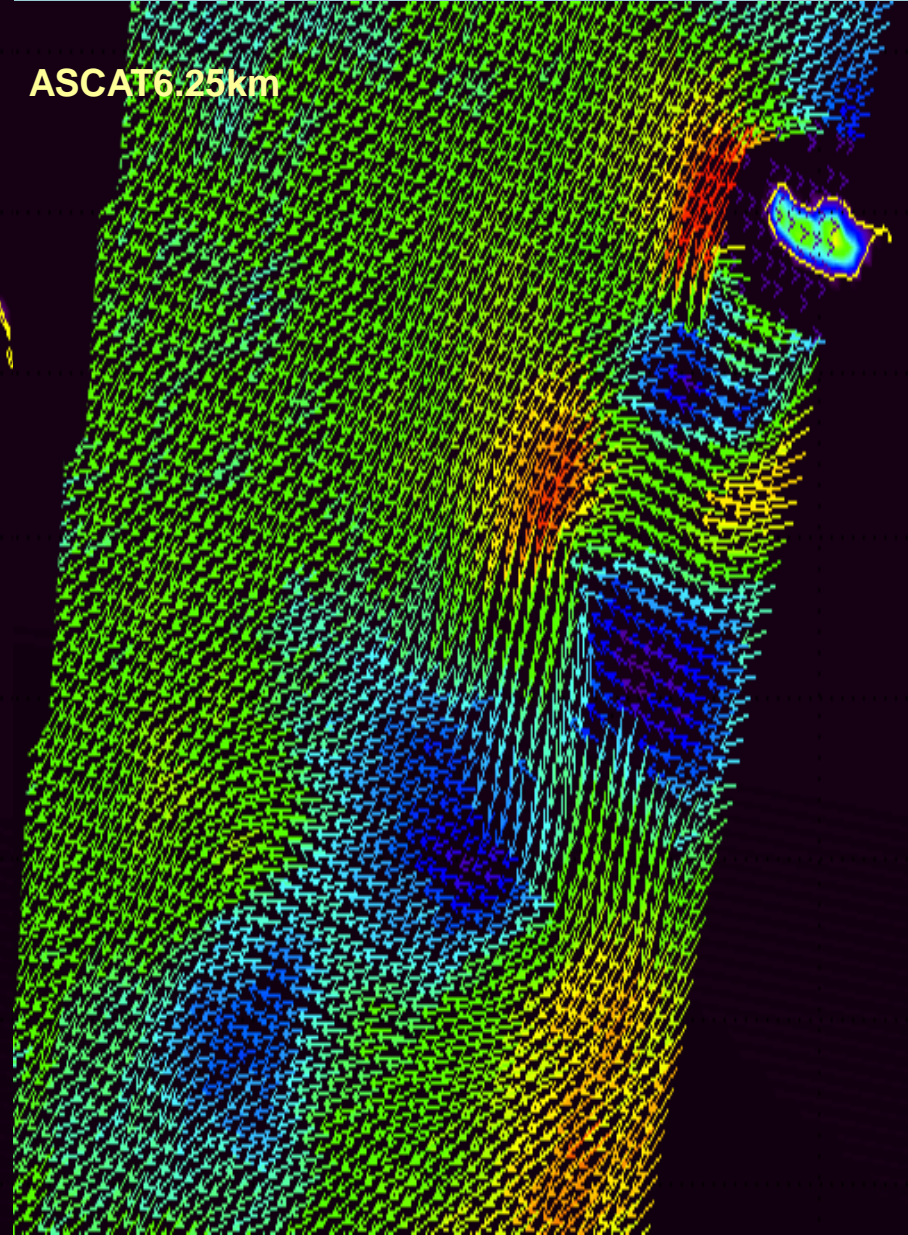
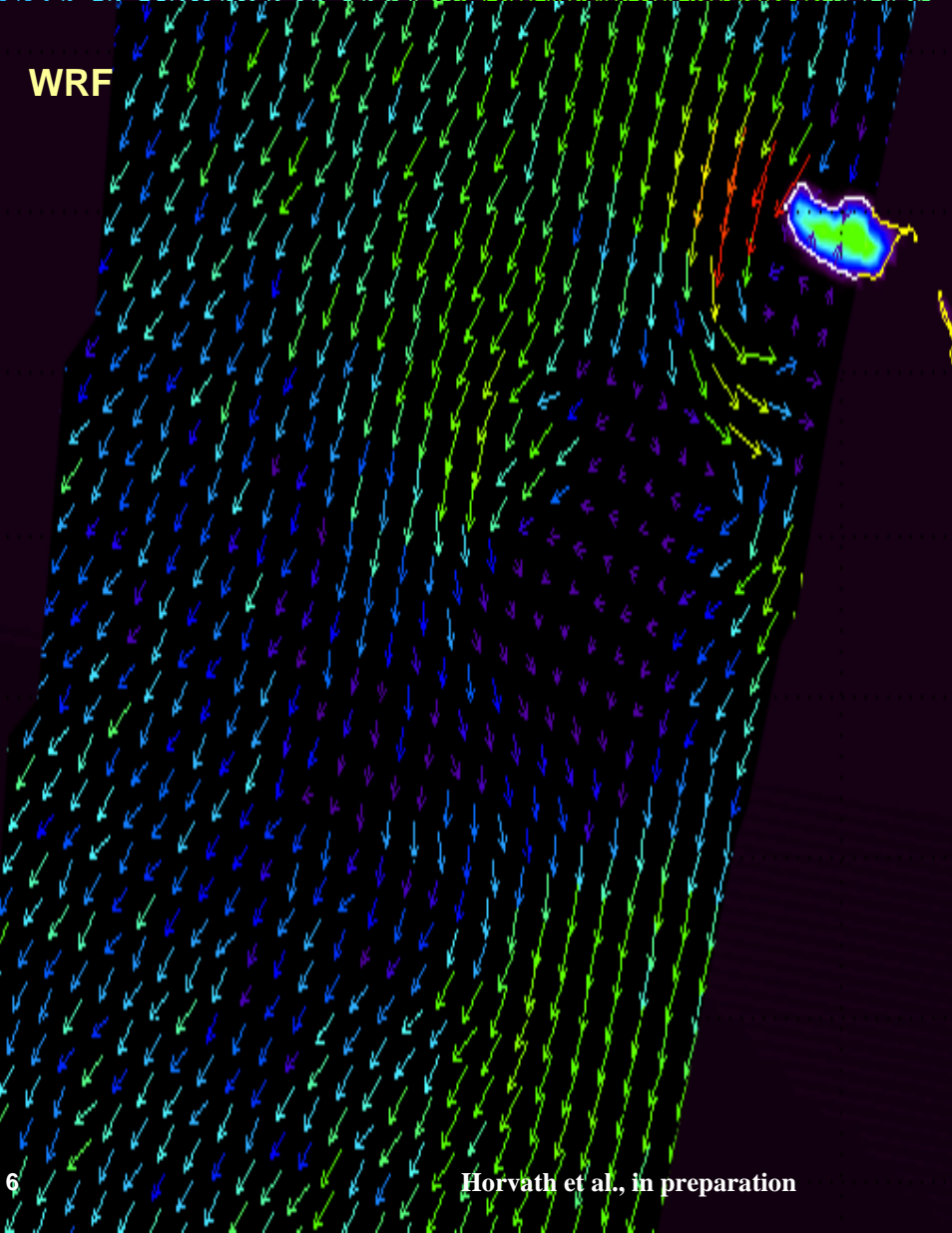
- New observations become available continuously



Observations and Models

WRF

ASCAT6.25km



Wind determines
weather evolution

weather systems

developing systems

boundary layer

Rossby limiet voor 45°N (of 45°Z)

Temperature and
pressure determine
weather evolution

Mist Cloud layer Rain column

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V [m]

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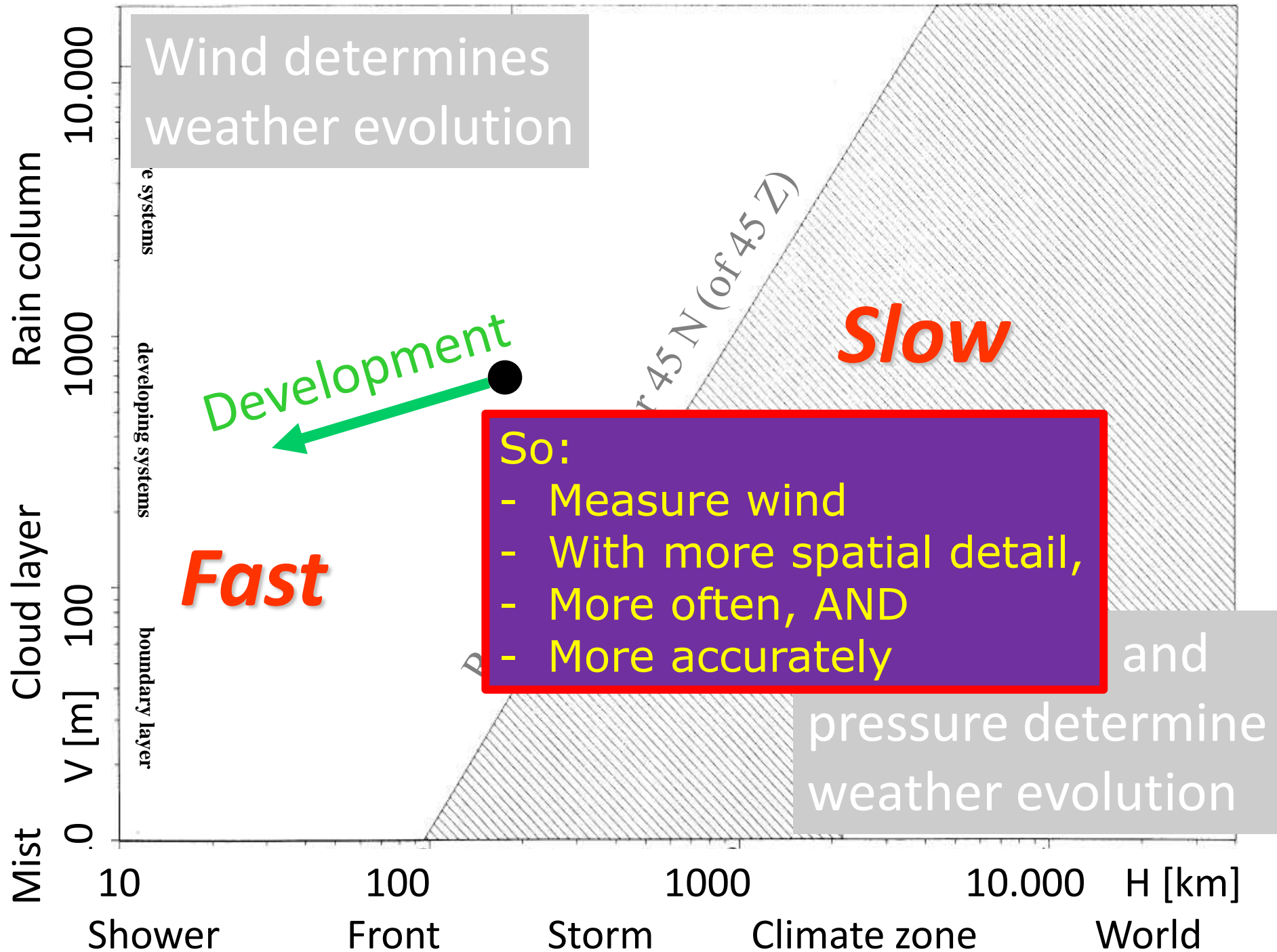
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Definition

Full name	Wind speed over the surface (horizontal)		
Definition	Module of the horizontal component of the 3D wind vector.		
Measuring Units	m/s	Uncertainty Units	m/s
Horizontal Res Units	km	Vertical Res Units	
Stability Units	m/s (Stability /decade)		

Comment:	
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Classification

Domain: Atmosphere	Used in Application Areas:
Sub-domain: Basic atmospheric	Agricultural Meteorology
Variable: Wind speed over the surface (horizontal)	Global NWP
Measured in Layers:	High Res NWP
Near Surface	Nowcasting / VSRF
Cross-cutting themes:	Climate-OOPC

WMO OSCAR data base

<https://www.wmo-sat.info/oscar/variables/view/181>

Requirements defined for *Wind speed over the surface (horizontal)* (8)

This tables shows all related requirements. For more operations/filtering, please consult the full list of [Requirements](#)

Note: In reading the values, goal is marked blue, breakthrough green and threshold orange

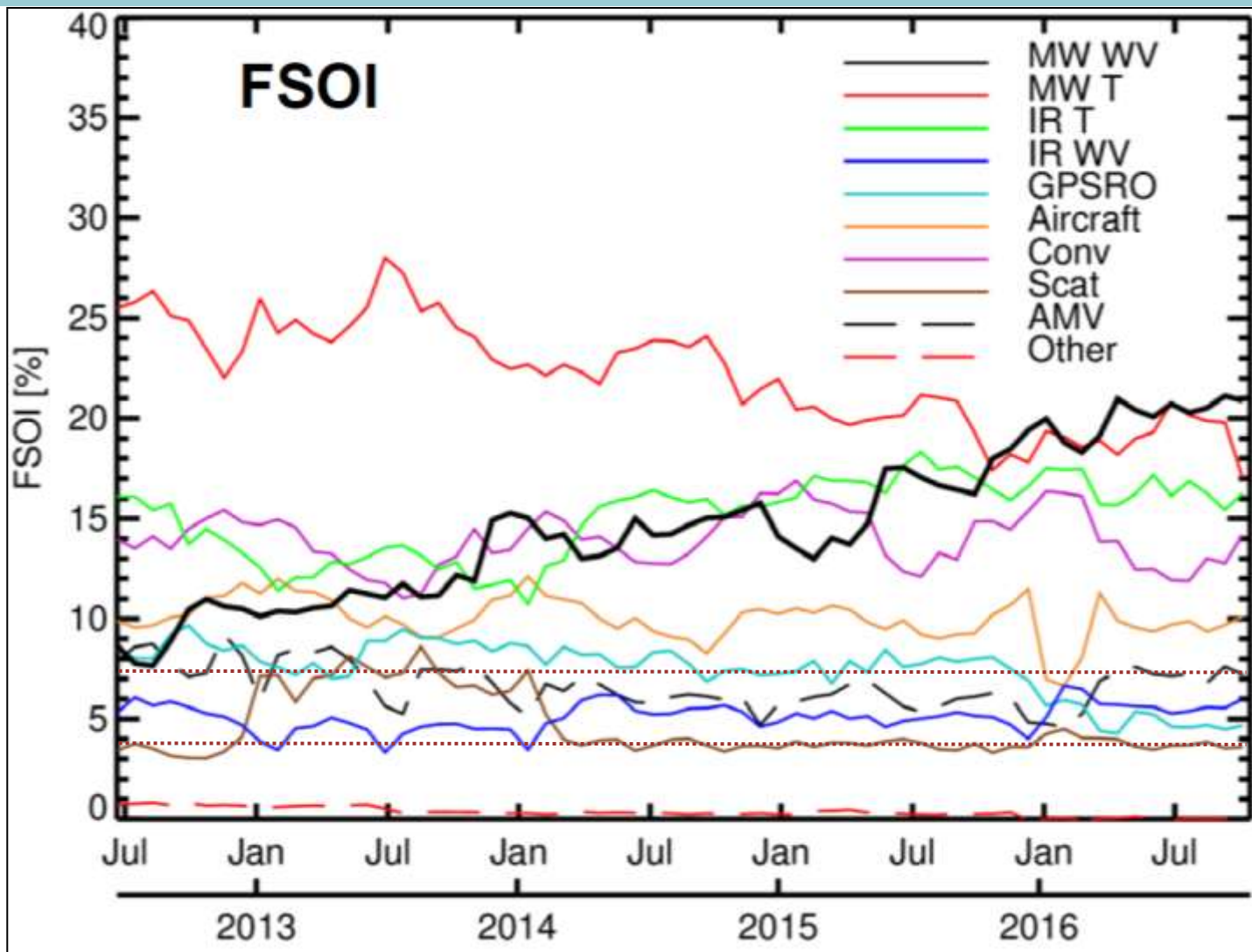
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318	Wind speed over the surface (horizontal)	Near Surface	Global NWP	0.5 m/s 1.5 m/s 2 m/s		15 km 100 km 250 km		60 min 6 h 12 h	6 min 30 min 6 h	Global land	firm	2009-02-10	John Eyre
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455	Wind speed over the surface (horizontal)	Near Surface	Nowcasting / VSRF	1 m/s 1.4 m/s 3 m/s		1 km 5 km 20 km		5 min 15 min 60 min	5 min 15 min 60 min	Global land	reasonable	2013-04-08	P. Ambrosetti
456	Wind speed over the surface (horizontal)	Near Surface	Nowcasting / VSRF	1 m/s 1.4 m/s 3 m/s		5 km 10 km 50 km		15 min 30 min 3 h	15 min 30 min 60 min	Global ocean	firm	2013-04-08	P. Ambrosetti



Needed time coverage of wind data

❖ Wind information at 12:00 from OSCAT in 2013 appears fully complement-ary to wind information at 9:30 from ASCATs in global NWP

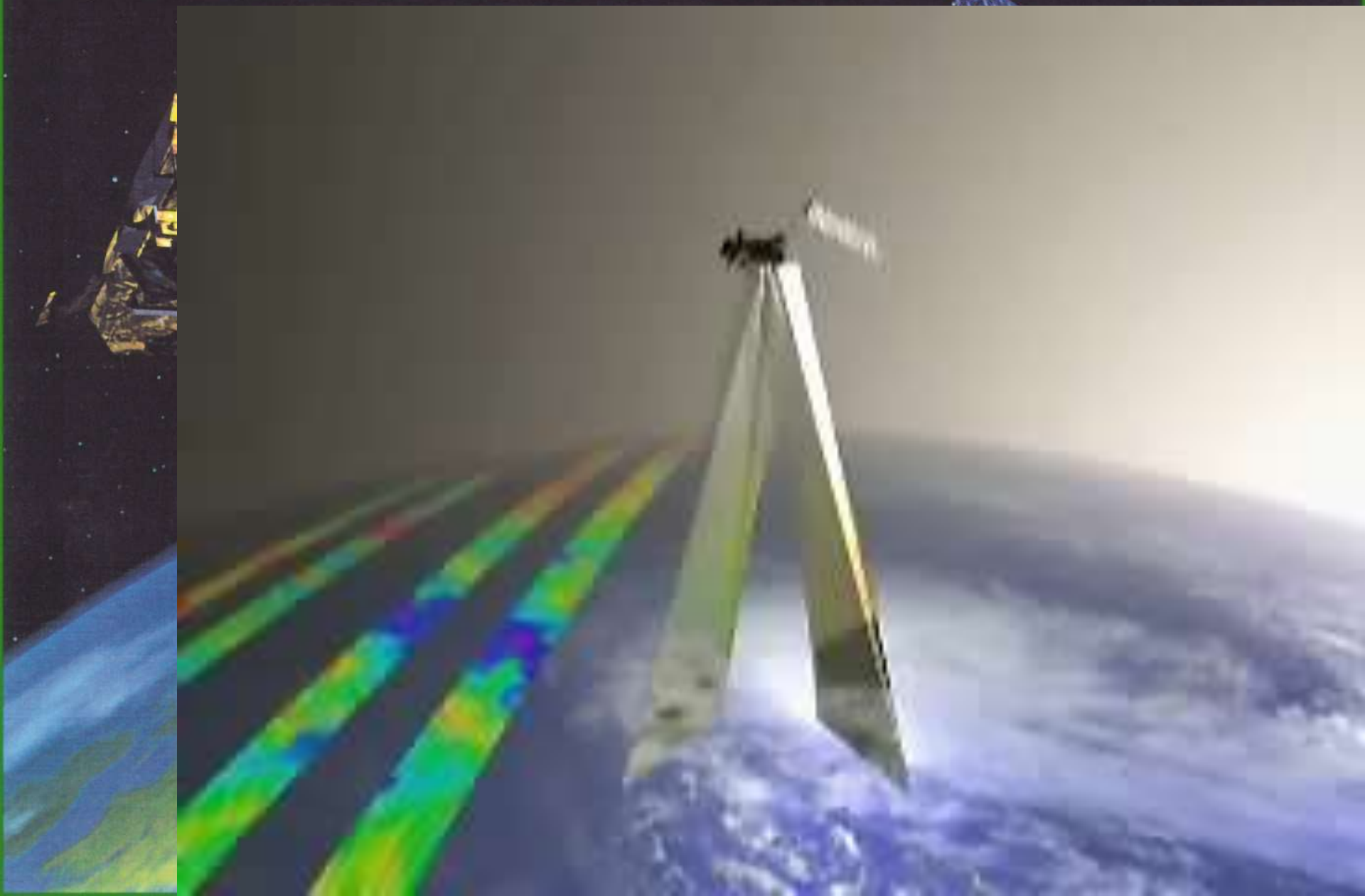
➤ Fly a wind sensor every **3 hours**



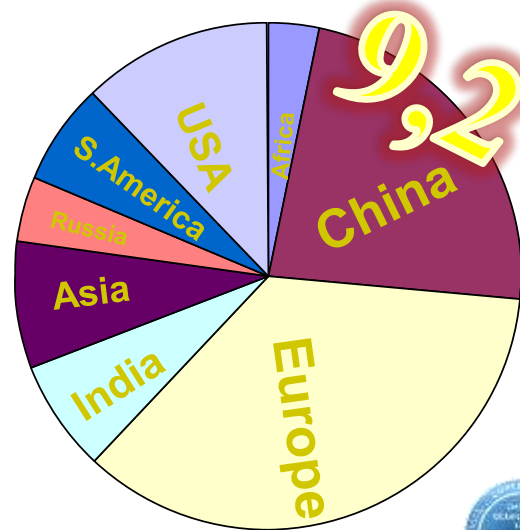
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ASCAT scatterometer



Satellite Wind Services



- 24/7 Wind services (OSI SAF)
 - Constellation of satellites
 - High quality winds, QC
 - Timeliness 30 min. – 2 hours
 - Service messages
 - QA, monitoring
- Software services (NWP SAF)
 - Portable Wind Processors
 - Weather model comparison

Organisations involved:

KNMI, EUMETSAT, EU, ESA, NASA, NOAA, ISRO, SOA, WMO, CEOS, ..

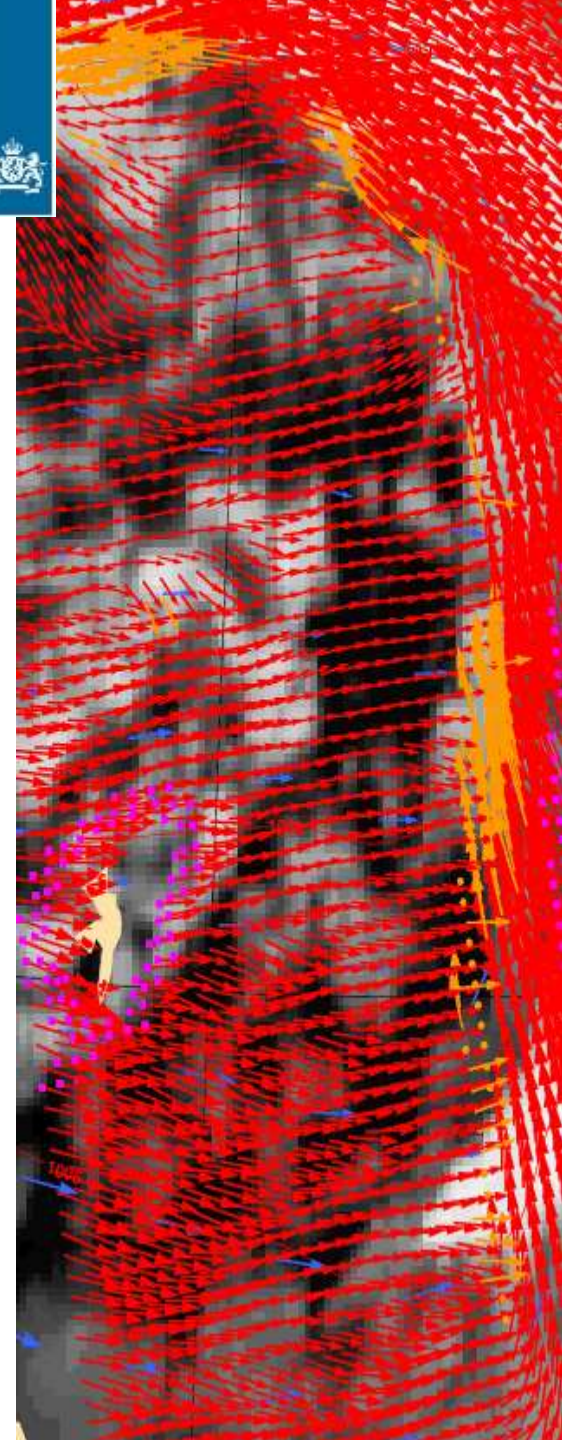
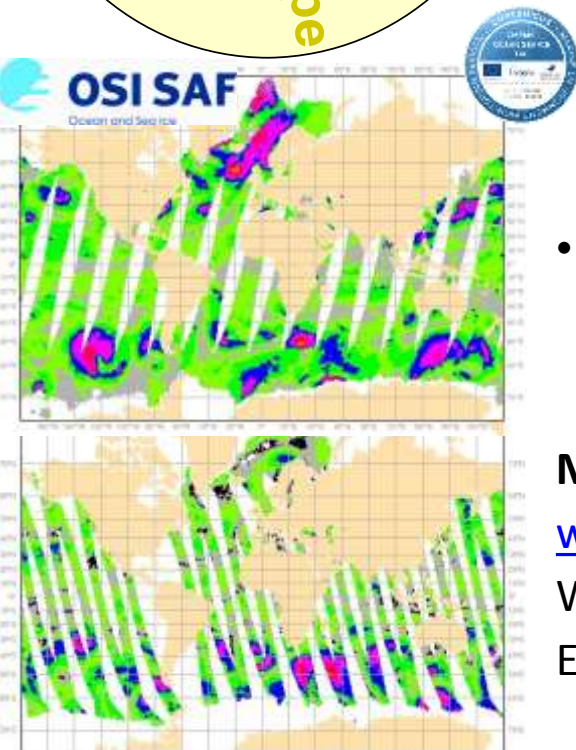
- Users: NHC, JTWC, ECMWF, NOAA, NASA, NRL, BoM, UK MetO, M.France, DWD, CMA, JMA, CPTEC, NCAR, NL, . . .

More information:

www.knmi.nl/scatterometer

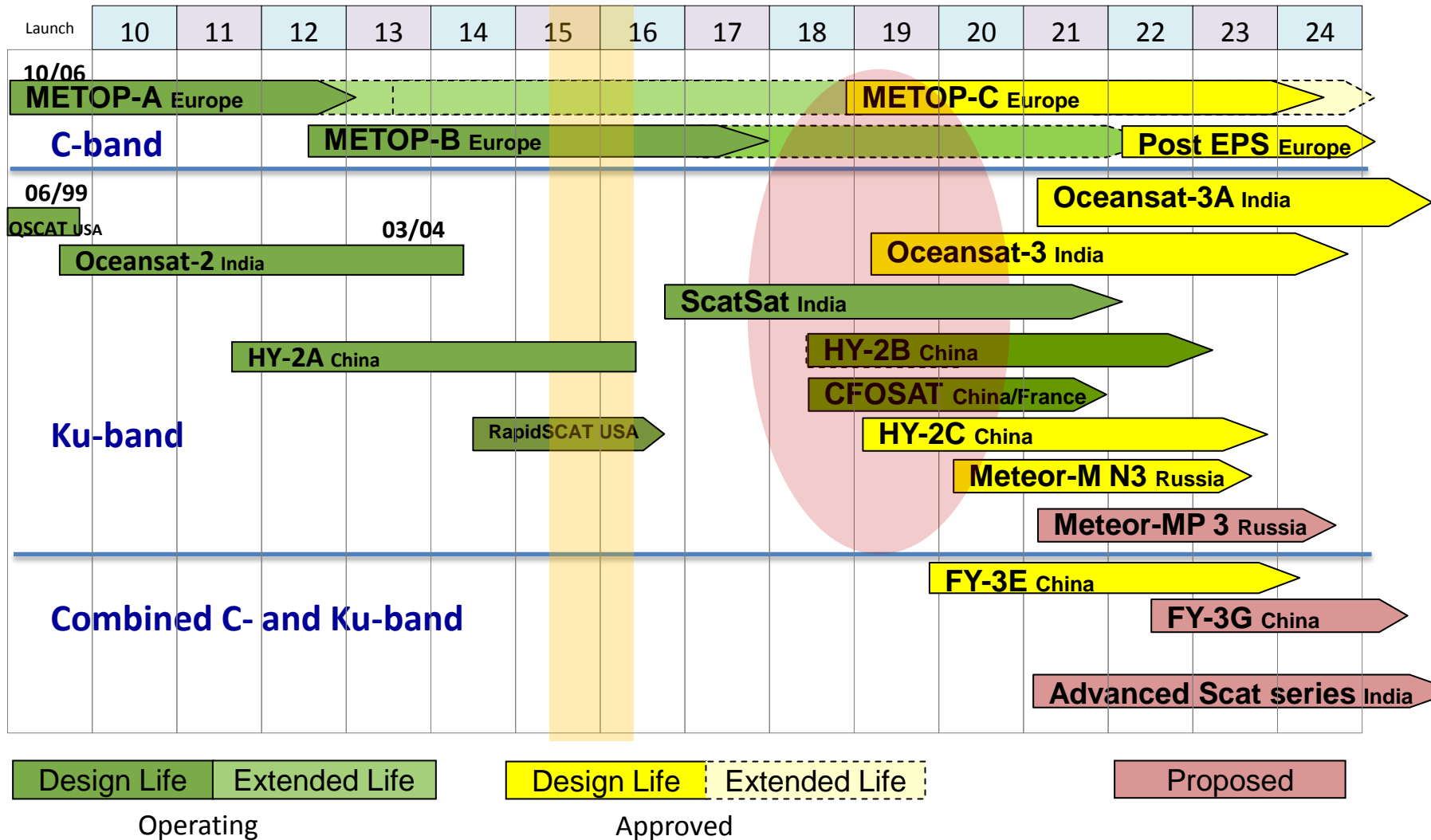
Wind Scatterometer Help Desk

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CEOS Ocean Vector Surface Winds Virtual Constellation (OSVW-VC)

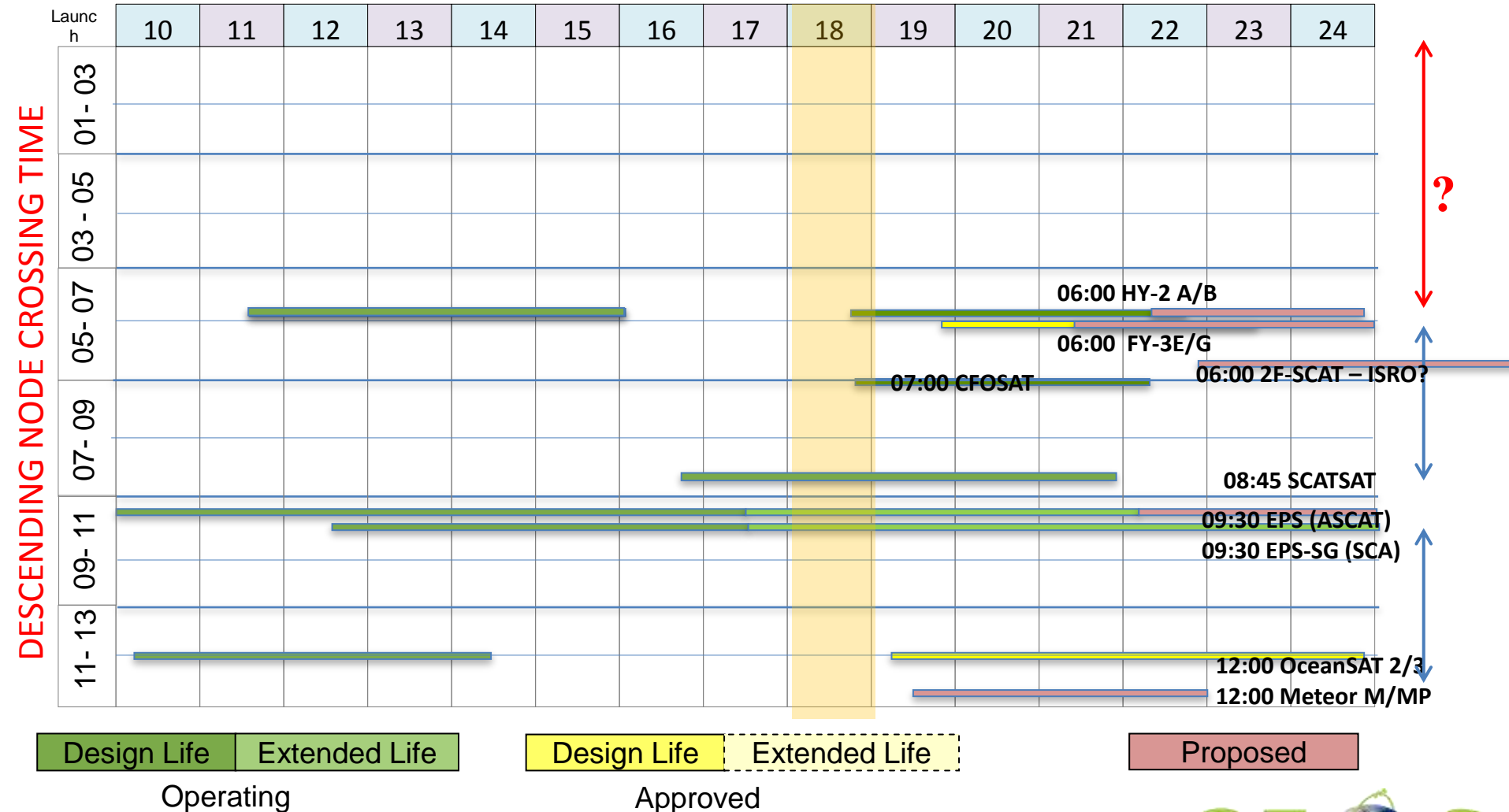
Current status and outlook – NRT data access



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Ocean Vector Surface Winds Constellation

Local time coverage assessment (ground track) - NRT data access



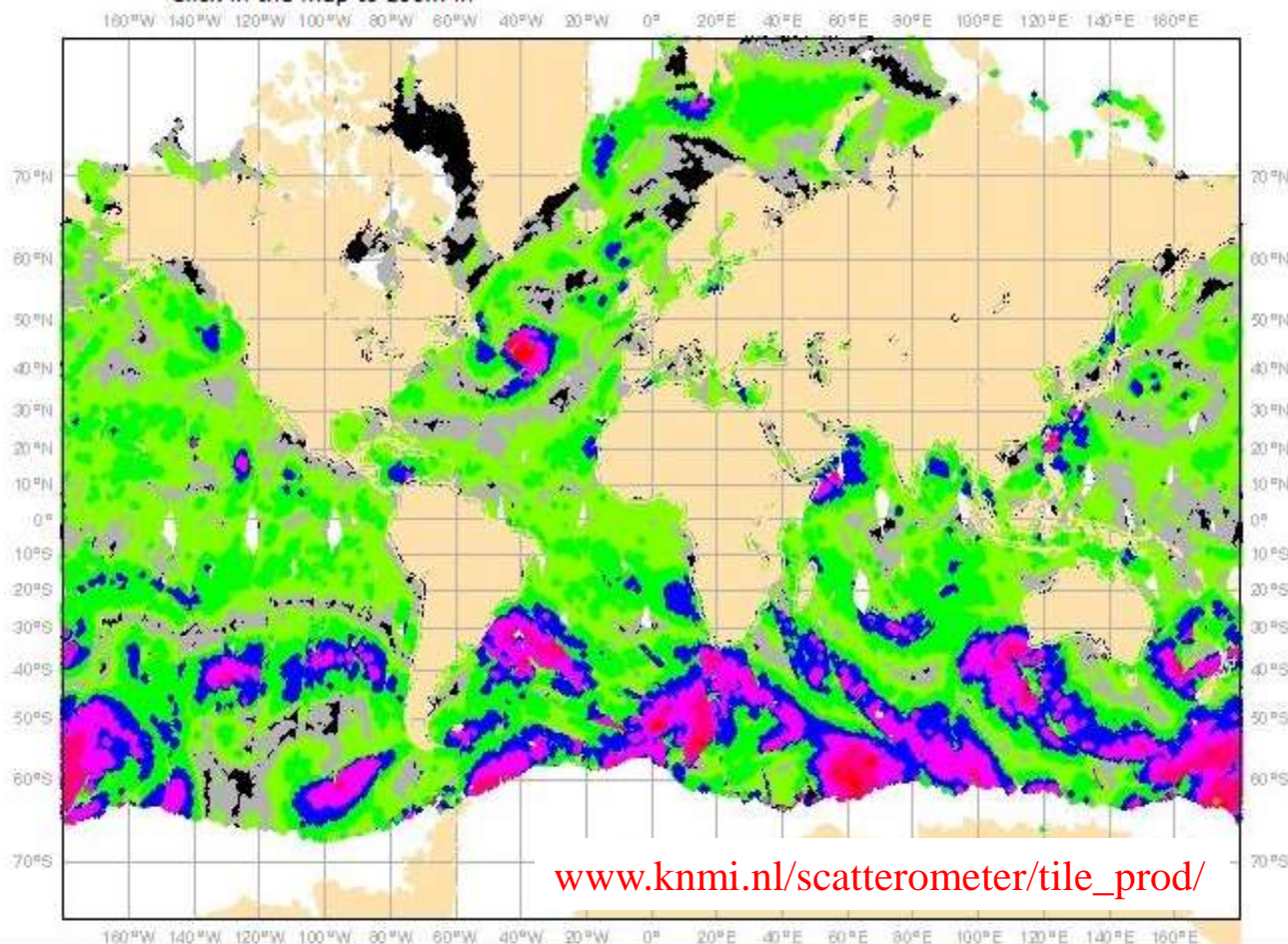
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OSI SAF multi-platform product viewer

New!

Click in the map to zoom in



www.knmi.nl/scatterometer/tile_prod/

Background information

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CDR released
- > Wind Products Processing Status
- > Archived wind and stress products

Other Wind Services at KNMI

- > ASCAT-A 25-km winds (EARS)
Operational status
- > ASCAT-A Coastal winds (EARS)
Operational status



RE: SCATTEROMETER VISUALIZATION AT KNMI

by kleoniki tsioutra - Thursday, 7 July 2016, 7:40 AM

Dear Ad,

I found the website you recommended to us very interesting. It would be very useful to Greek forecasters

Thank you for all the information you gave us during the training course.



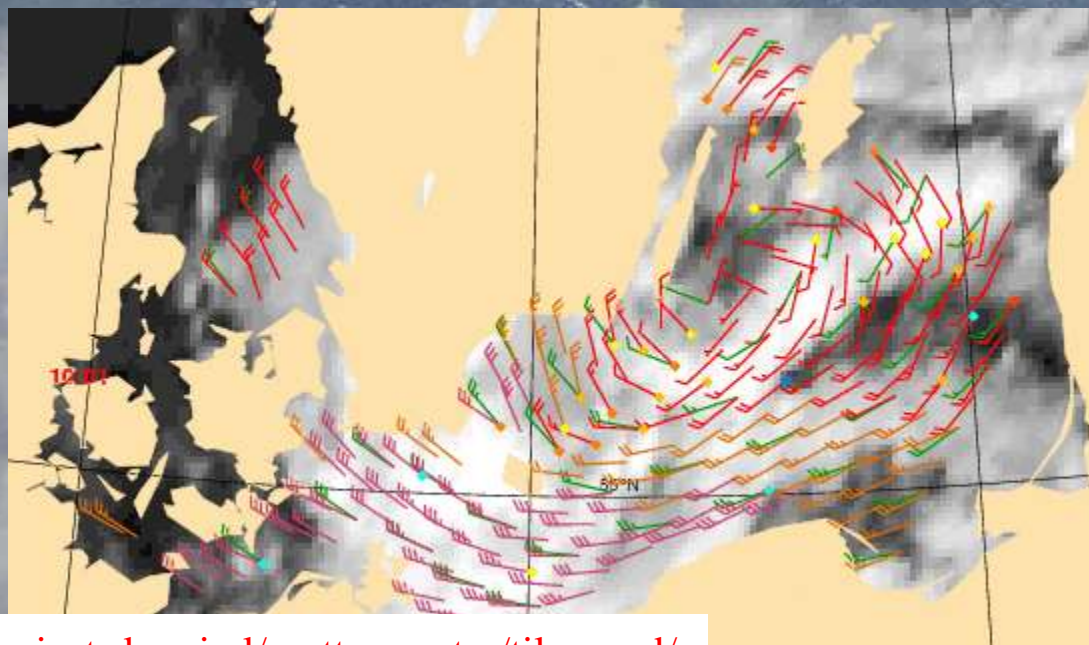
RE: SCATTEROMETER VISUALIZATION AT KNMI

by Maja Jeromel - Thursday, 7 July 2016, 6:00 PM

Hi Ad,

great operational product! I really like the "Go North", "Go South" etc. options - used it right away :-) I also like "Prod views!"

And last, but not least - I found 7.7.2016 is a good day for the Adriatic Sea, even for the northernmost part :-D



RE: SCATTEROMETER VISUALIZATION AT KNMI

by Dionysia kotta - Tuesday, 5 July 2016, 4:36 PM

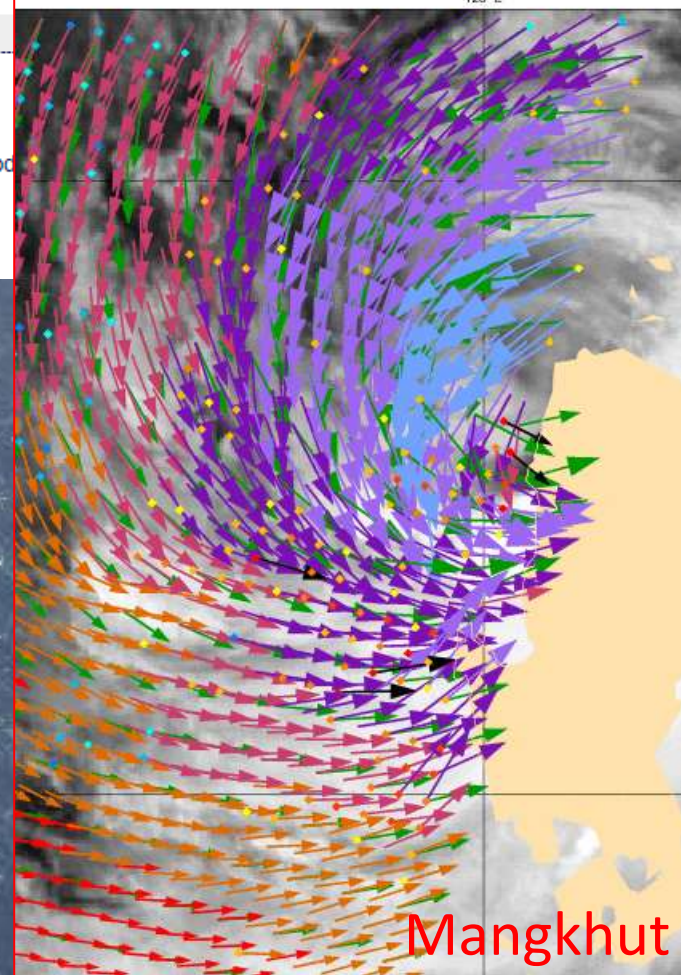
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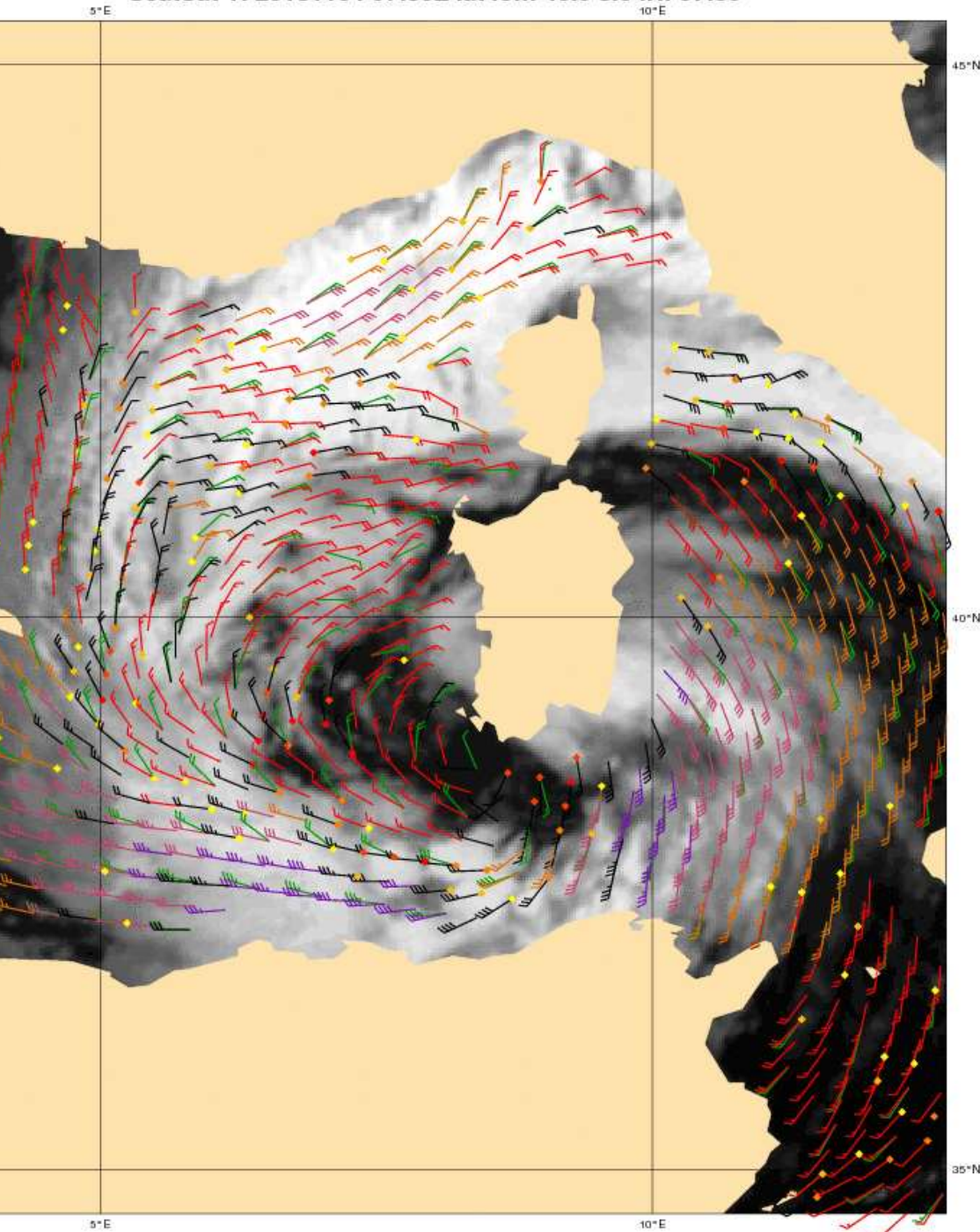
this is very useful, I like it!!!!

Thanks a lot for this information

Dionysia

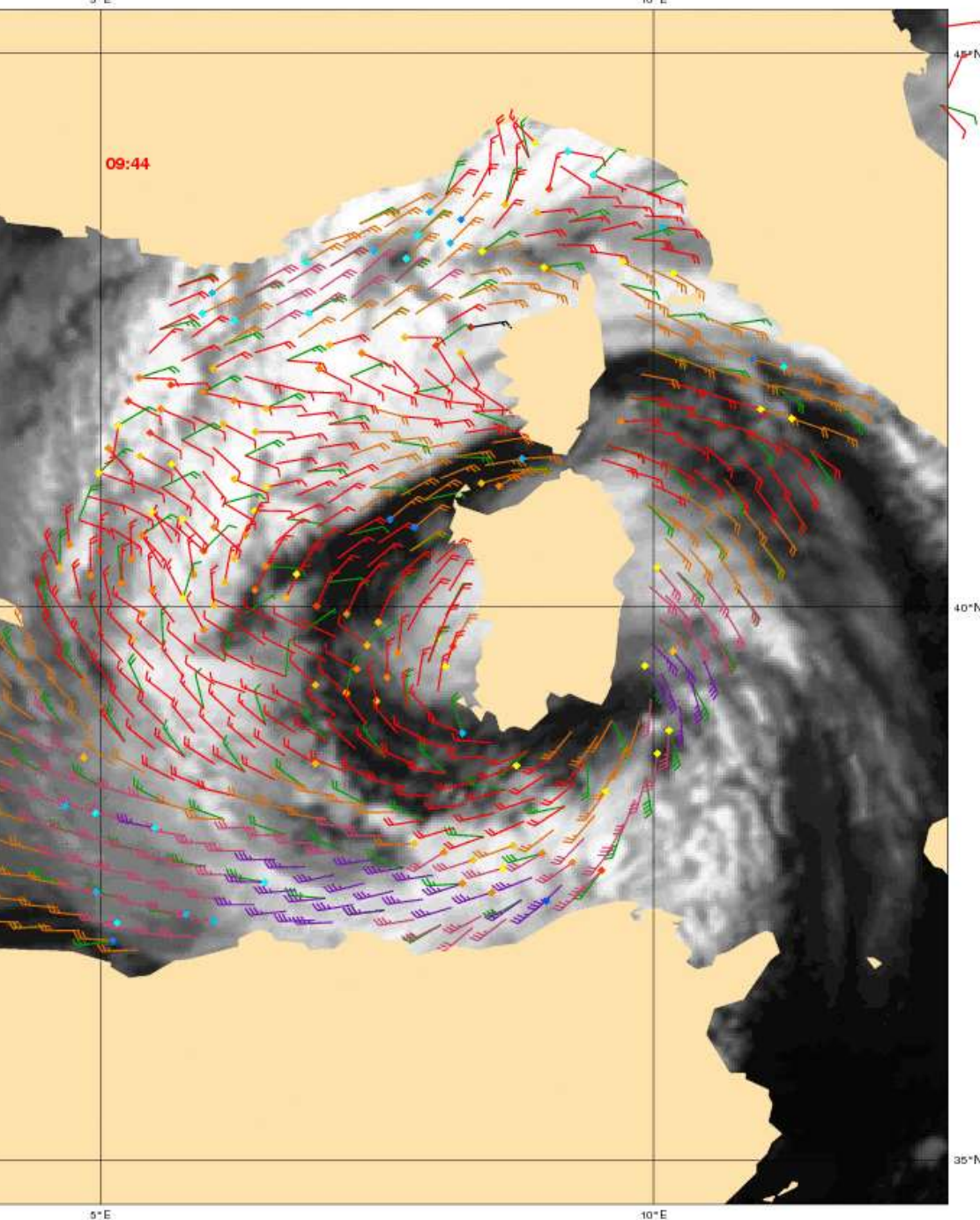
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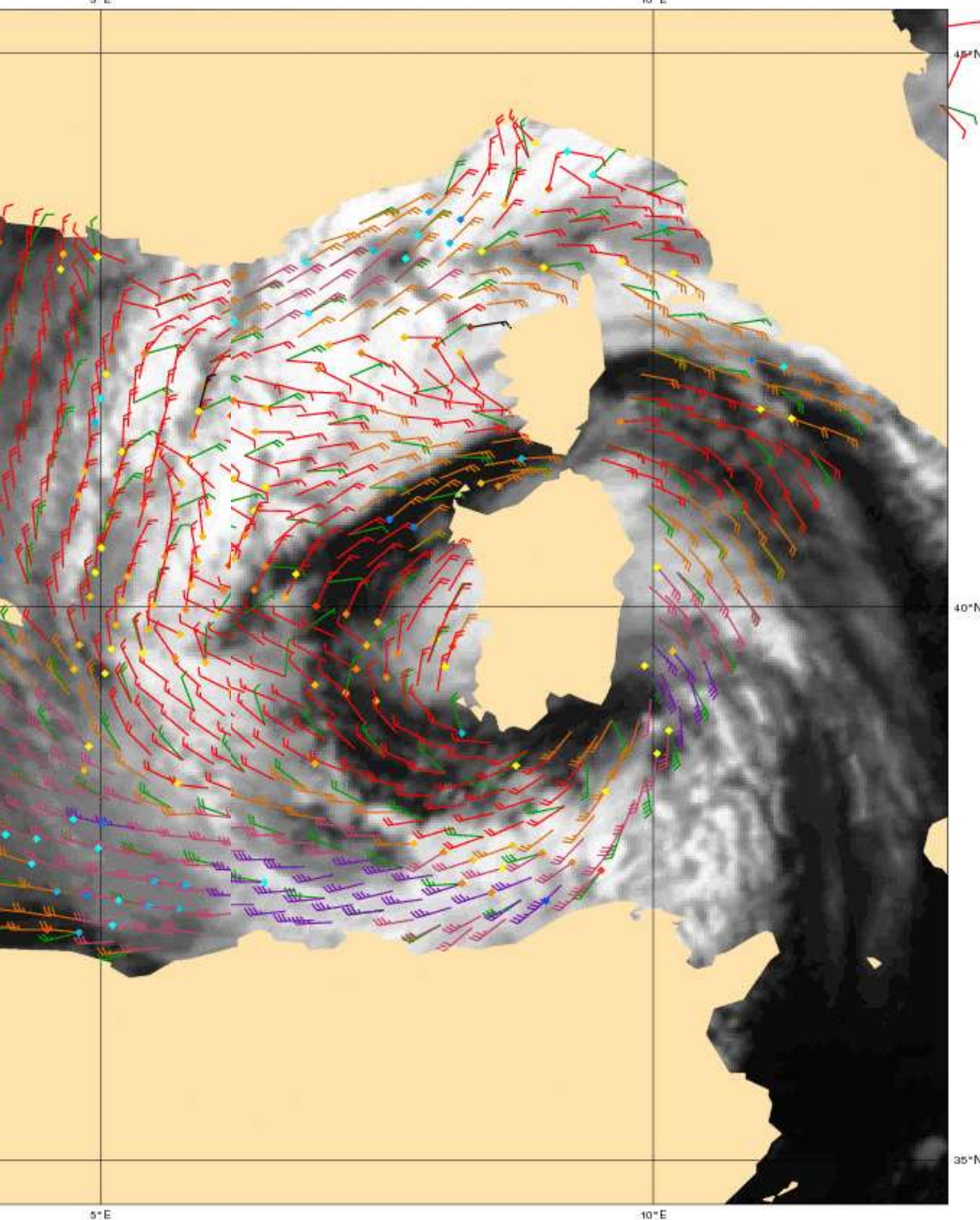
ScatSat

- Large coverage
- Many rejected (black)
- Some (reddish) differ from ECMWF (green)
- Far from coast
- Smooth wind field



ASCAT-A

- Narrow swath
- Very few rejected
- Some (reddish) differ from ECMWF (green)
- Closer to coast
- More mesoscale detail than ScatSat



ASCAT-B/A

- Broader coverage
- Few rejected (black)
- Some (reddish) differ from ECMWF (green)
- Closer to coast
- ASCAT-C launches next week
- ASCAT-A+B+C have the same coverage as ScatSat or HY-2B

Stress-equivalent wind, U_{10S}

- Radiometers/scatterometers measure ocean roughness
- Ocean roughness consists in small (cm) waves generated by air impact and subsequent wave breaking processes; depends on gravity, air/water mass density, water viscosity, surface tension s , and e.m. sea properties (assumed constant)
- Air-sea momentum exchange is described by $\tau = \rho_{air} u_* u_*$, the stress vector; depends on air mass density ρ_{air} , friction velocity vector u_*
- Stress-equivalent winds, u_{10S} , depend only on τ , and are currently used for backscatter geophysical model functions (GMFs)
- Surface layer winds (e.g., u_{10}) depend on u_* , atmospheric stability, surface roughness and the presence of ocean currents (drag)
- Buoy and NWP winds must be corrected for ocean currents, air stability, and air mass density before comparison to scatterometer wind, u_{10S}
- Correct for SST at Ku band

Triple Collocation



Triple collocation result

Scatterometer Scale Error SD	U m/s	V m/s
Buoy	1.21±0.02	1.23±0.02
ASCAT	0.69±0.02	0.82±0.02
ECMWF	1.54±0.02	1.55±0.02
Representativeness (r^2)	0.78±0.02	1.00±0.02

ECMWF Scale Error SD	U m/s	V m/s
Buoy	1.44±0.02	1.59±0.02
ASCAT	1.05±0.02	1.29±0.02
ECMWF	1.32±0.02	1.18±0.02

Trend	U m/s	V m/s
ASCAT	0.99	0.99
ECMWF	0.97	0.96

- ASCAT winds are very accurate
- ASCAT error SD is smaller than representativeness vector error SD
- Buoy errors appear large (current, wind variability)
- ECMWF winds appear smooth and biased low on average
- In extreme weather much larger deviations will occur



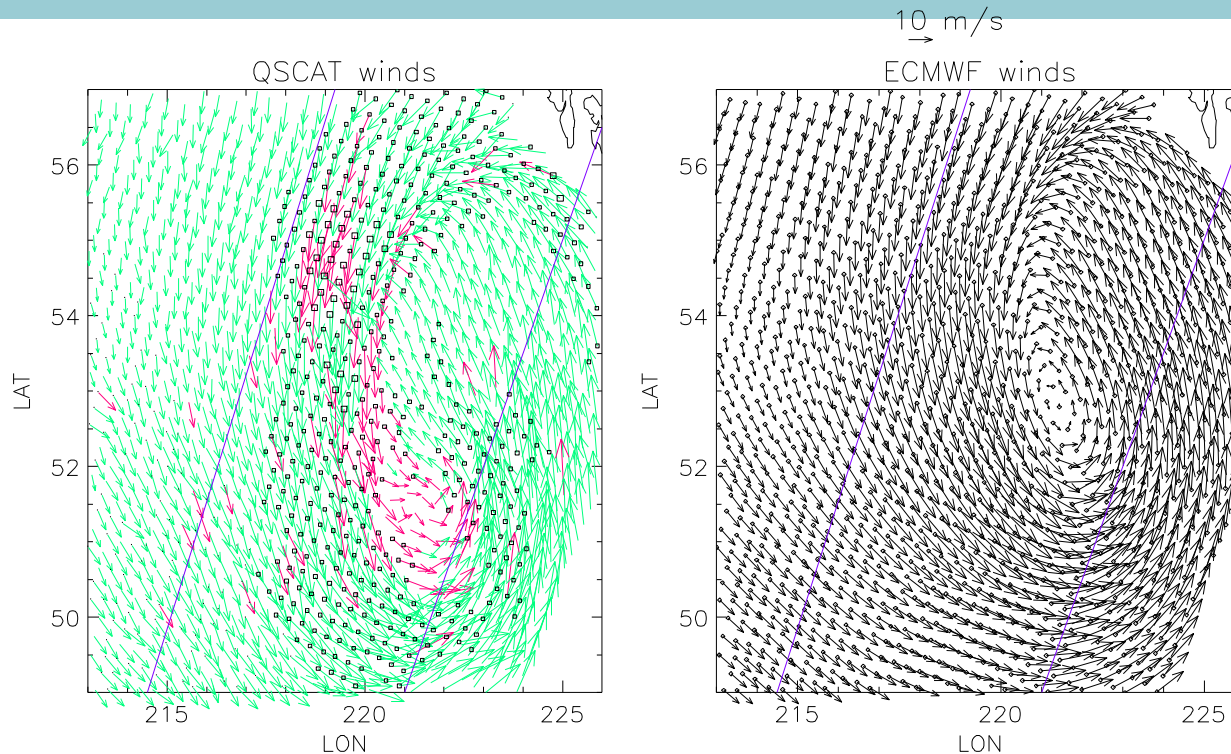
SeaWinds ScatSat-1 OceanSat-2

Triple collocation in ms^{-1}	Scatterometer		Buoys		ECMWF	
	ϵ_u	ϵ_v	ϵ_u	ϵ_v	ϵ_u	ϵ_v
25 km ScatSat-1	0.77	0.60	1.37	1.40	1.10	1.13
25 km Oceansat-2	0.80	0.71	1.44	1.45	1.33	1.40
25 km SeaWinds	0.64	0.54	1.39	1.41	1.28	1.35
50 km ScatSat-1	0.60	0.44	1.45	1.50	0.99	1.00
50 km Oceansat-2	0.61	0.48	1.53	1.54	1.20	1.29
50 km SeaWinds	0.46	0.40	1.50	1.49	1.20	1.28

- ERAint: SeaWinds (1999 – 2009) en Oceansat-2 (2009 - 2014)
- OPS (clearly better quality): All ScatSat-1 v113
- ScatSat-1 quality well within requirements (~ 1.4 m/s)
- Better than OceanSat-1 quality
- Buoy quality best at smallest scale (25 km), NWP at largest scale (50 km)



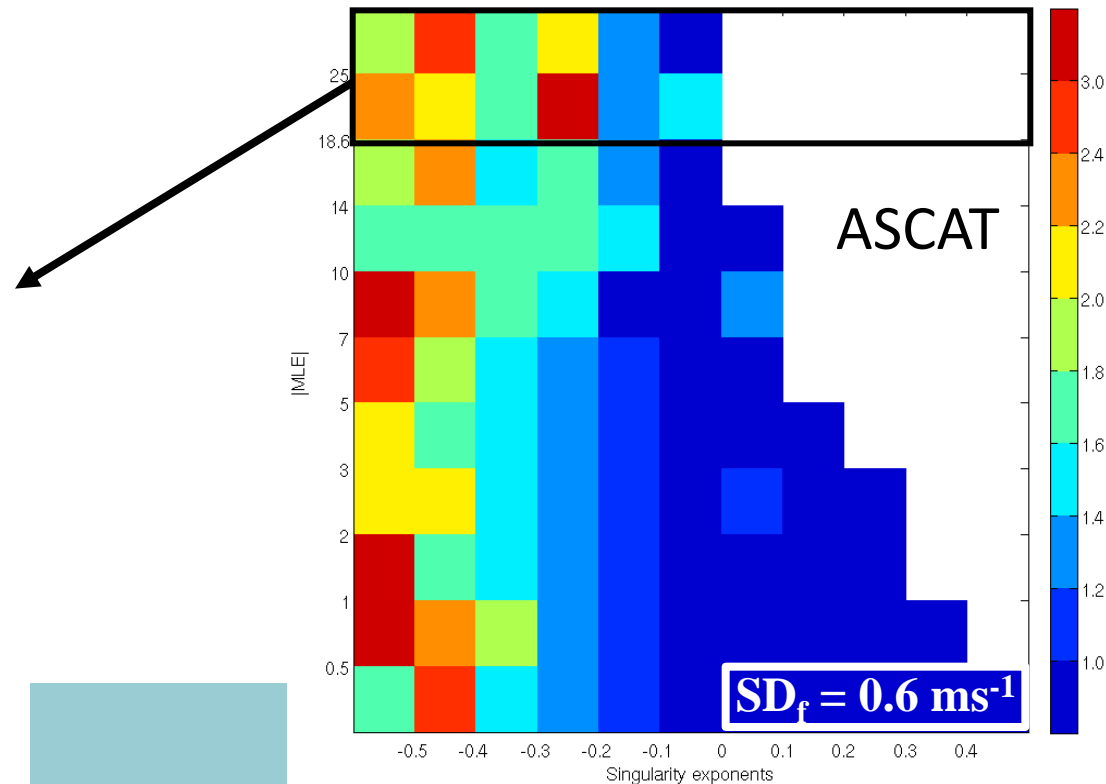
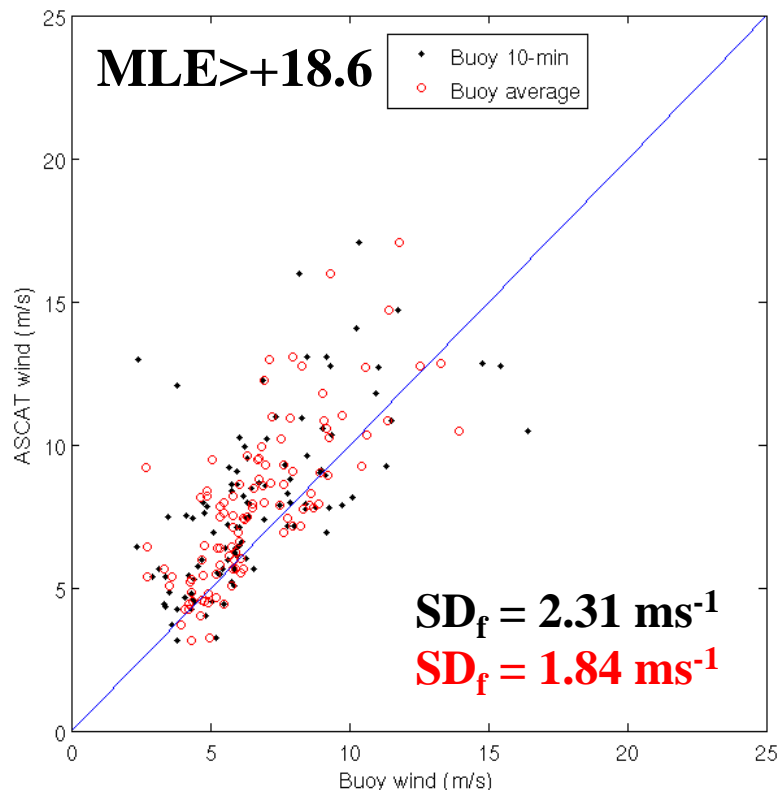
Quality Control for Ku Band



- Areas with significant **Rain** (large squares) effectively detected
- Frontal and low-pressure centre areas effectively removed
- Vast majority of spatially consistent winds are accepted (green arrows)

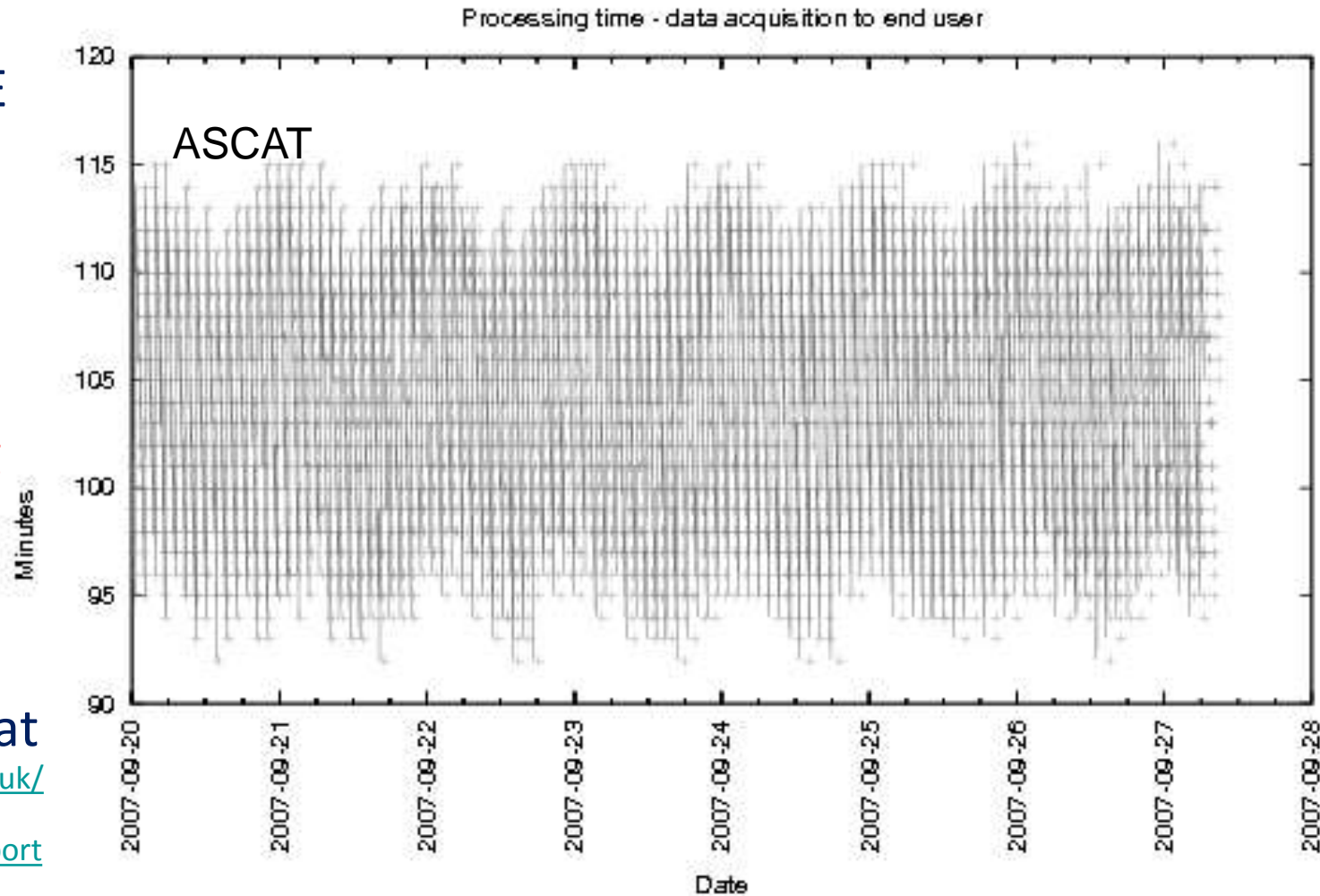
QC: Which error is acceptable?

- We can produce winds with SD of buoy-scatterometer difference of 0.6 m/s, but would exclude all high-wind and dynamic air-sea interaction areas
- The winds that we reject right now in convective tropical areas are noisy (SD=1.84 m/s), but generally not outliers!
- What metric makes sense for QC trade-off?

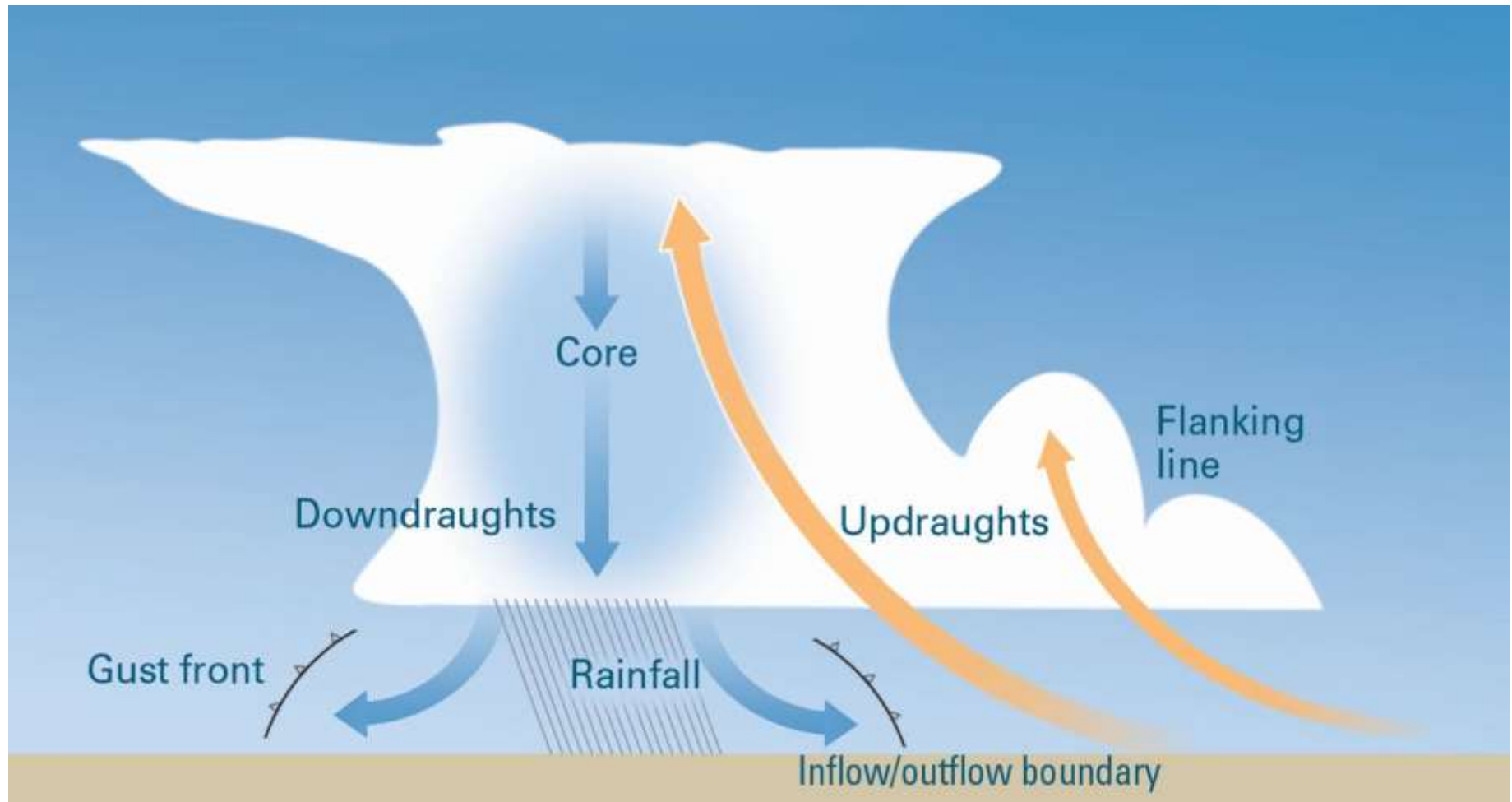


Monitoring of each product

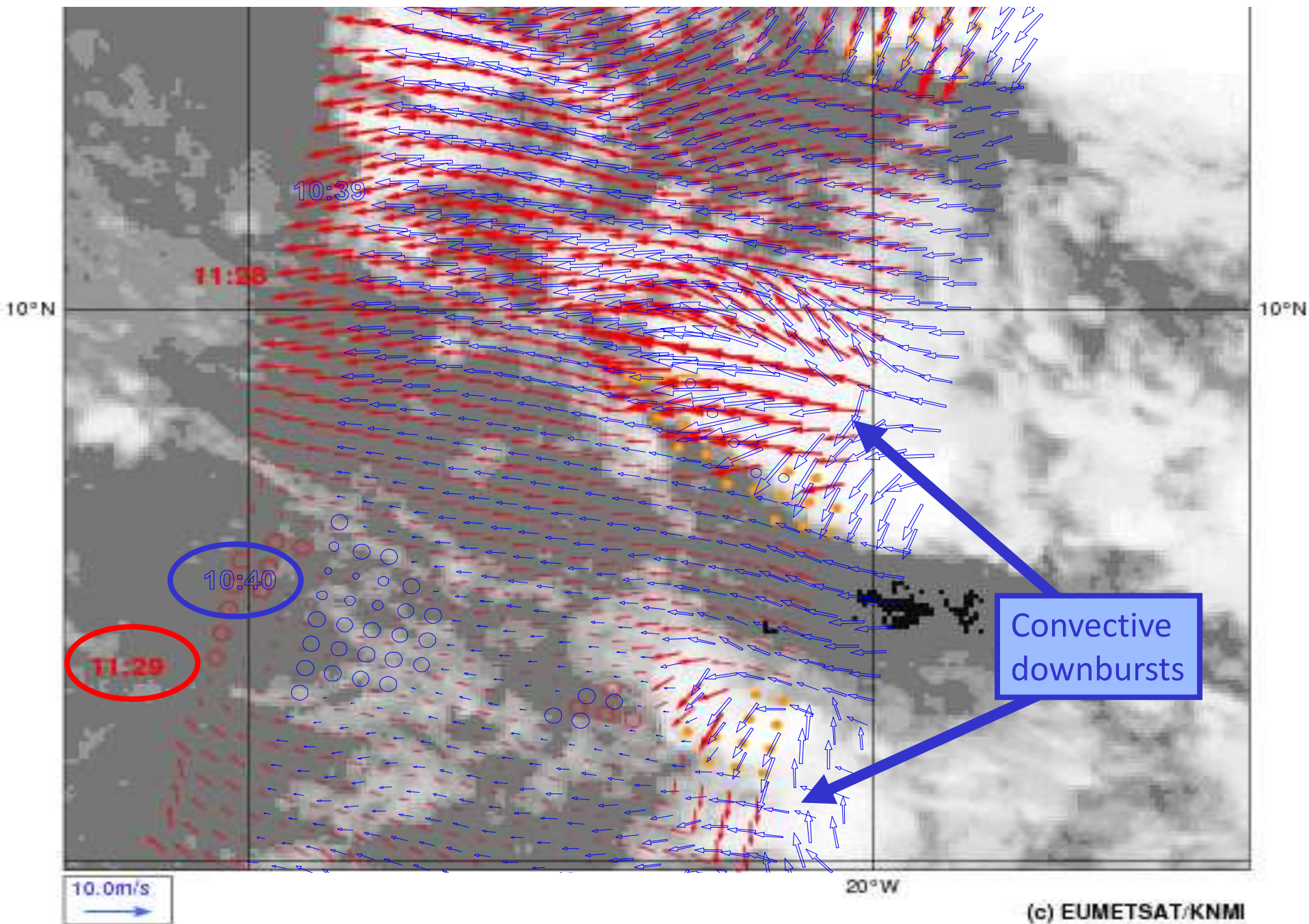
- 1st rank MLE
- Speed bias
- RMS u&v
scat - EC
- Timeliness
- **Product flag**
- NWP SAF
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Convection



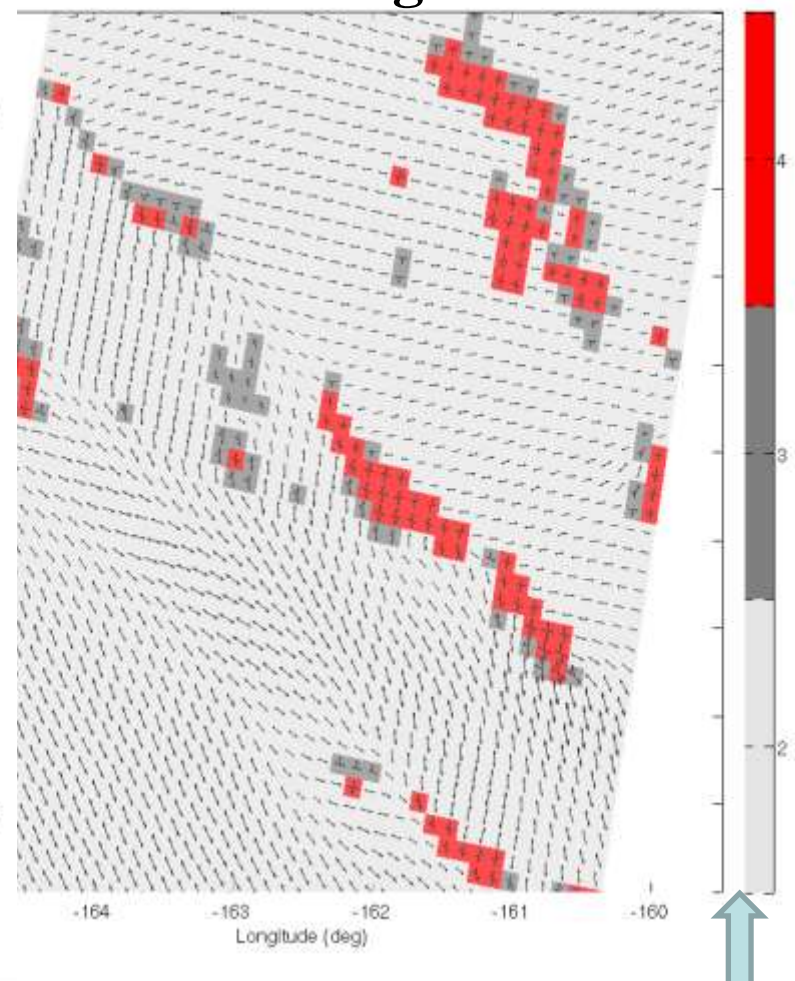
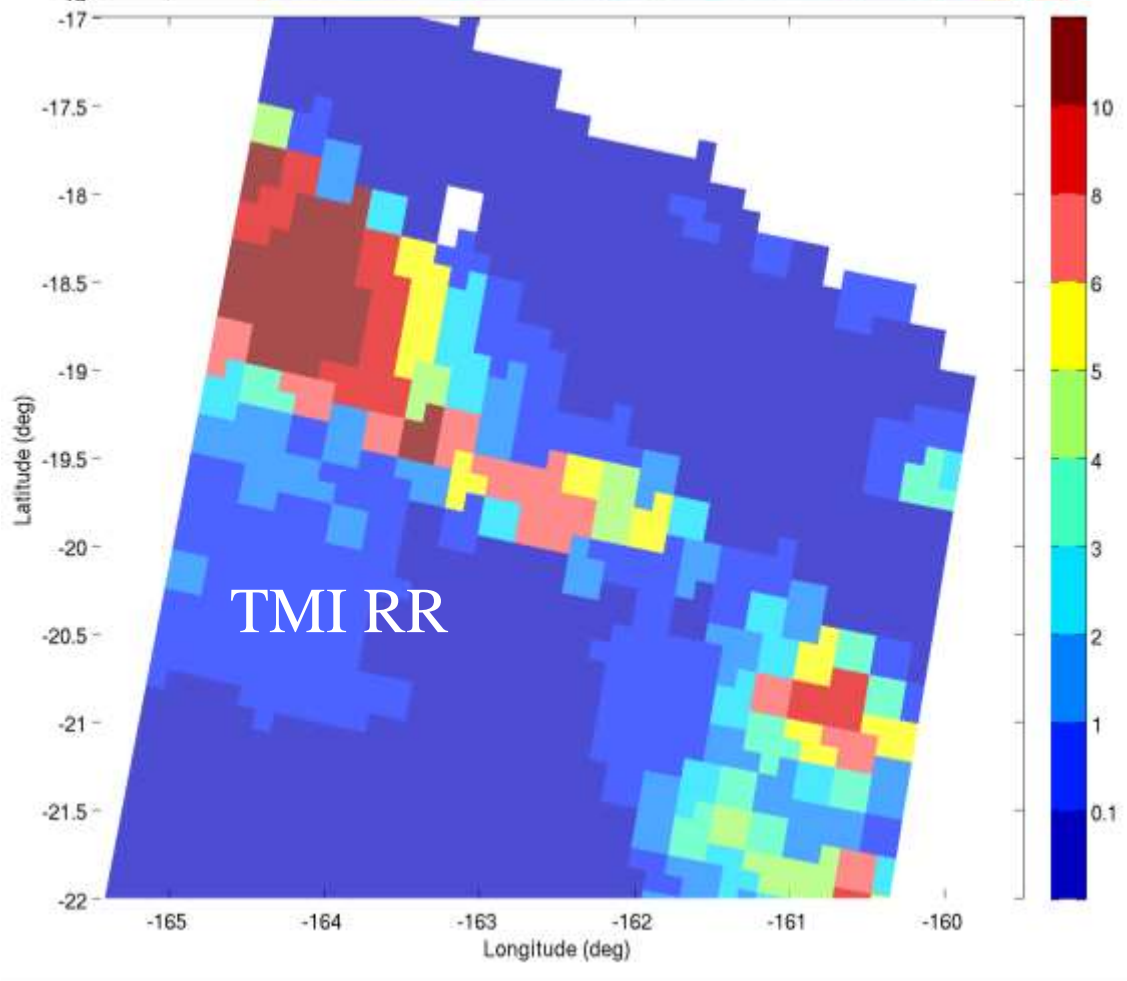
ASCAT-A and ASCAT-B come together



Wind front

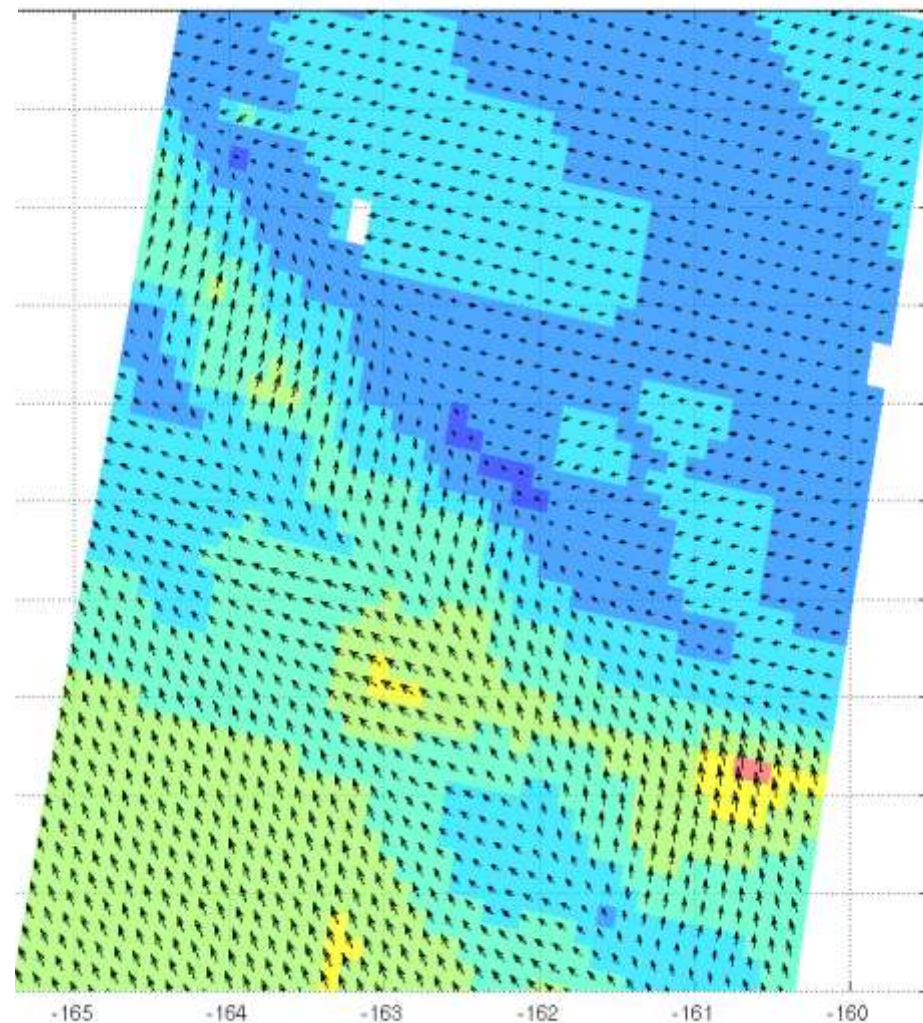
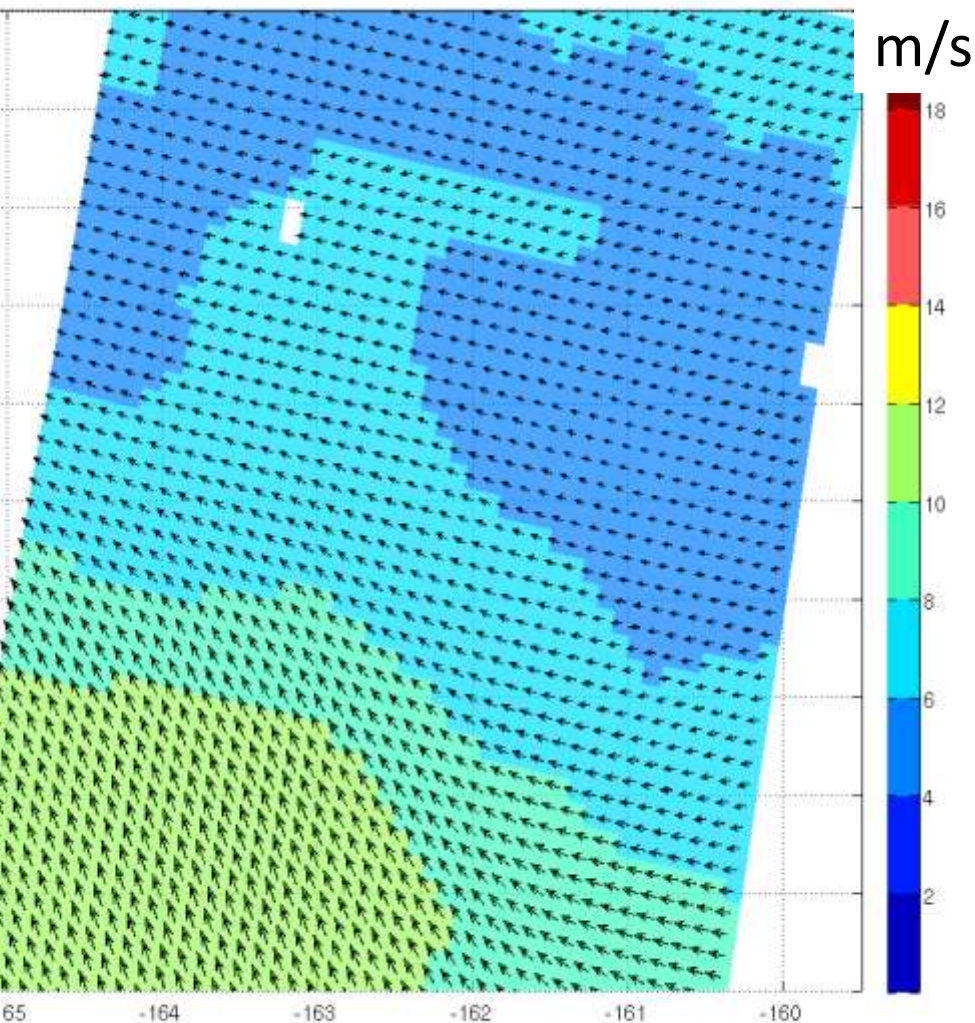


ASCAT ambiguities



Number of ambiguities

Wind front 2DVAR analysis



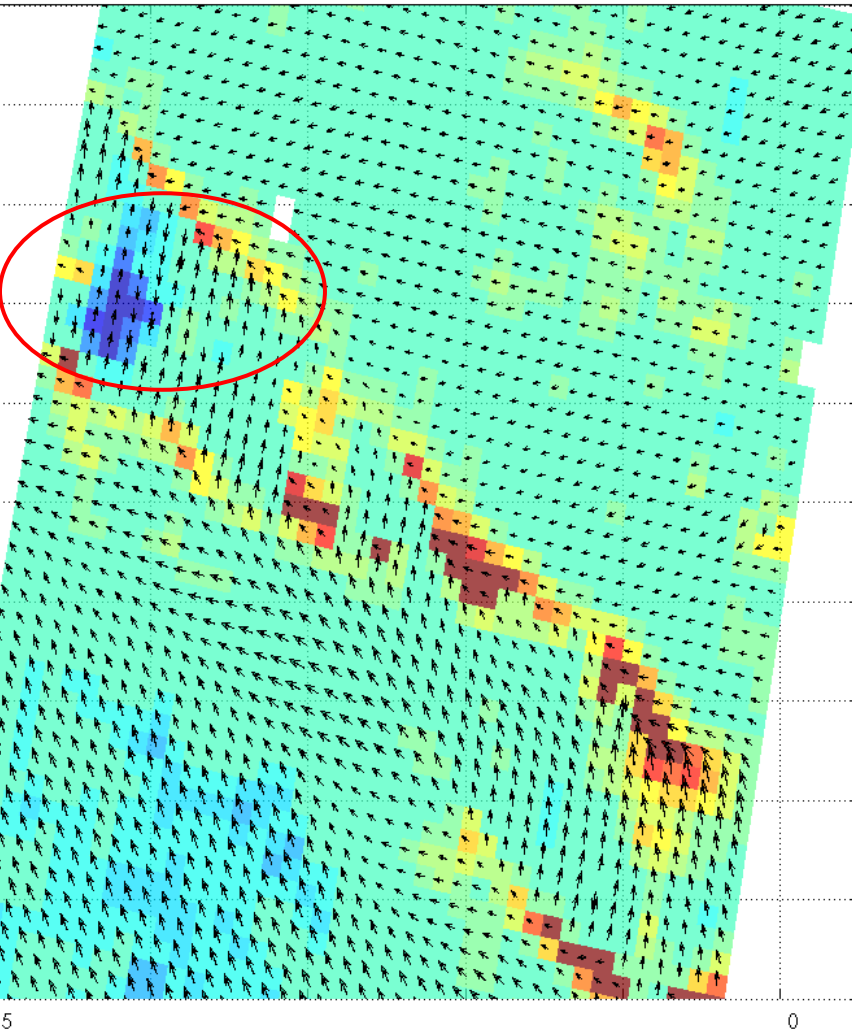
Default setting:

- Gaussian structure function
- Fixed O/B errors

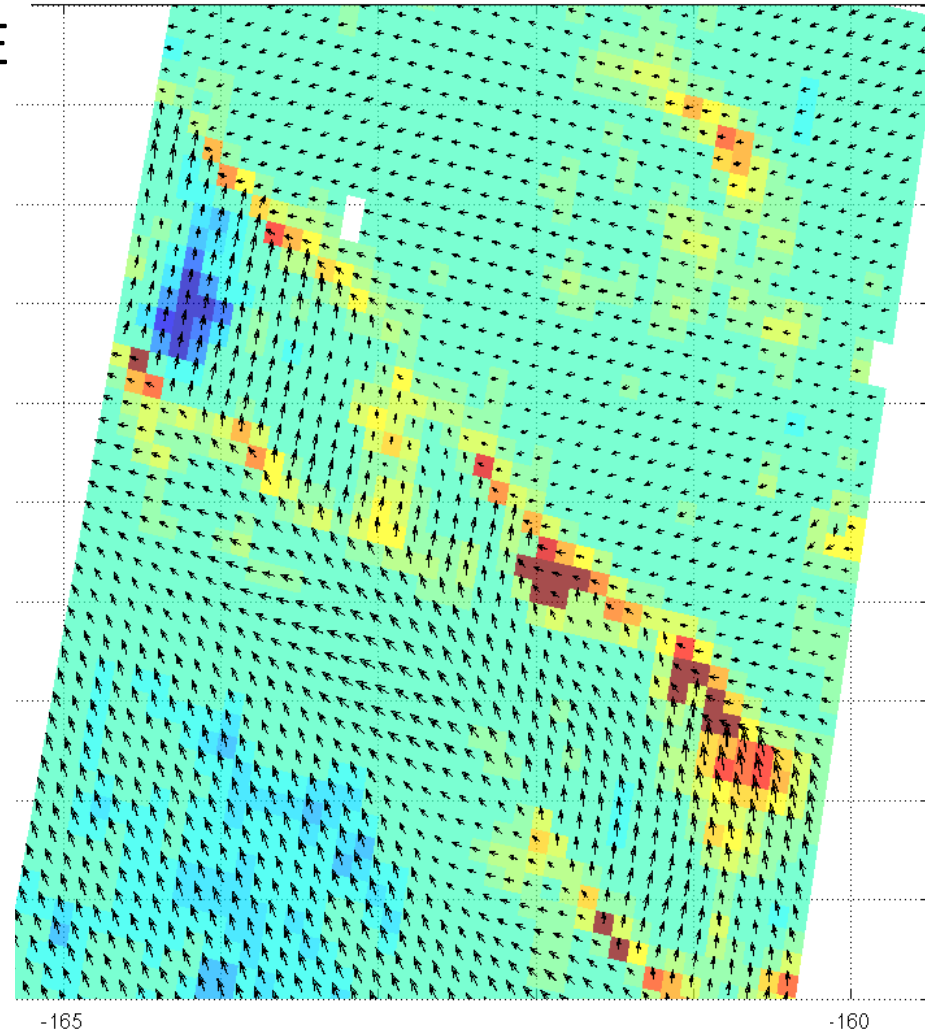
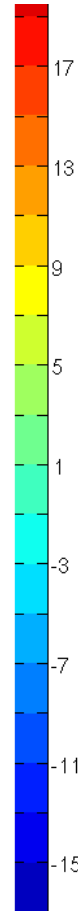
New setting:

- Empirical structure function
- Flexible O/B errors

Wind front selections



MLE



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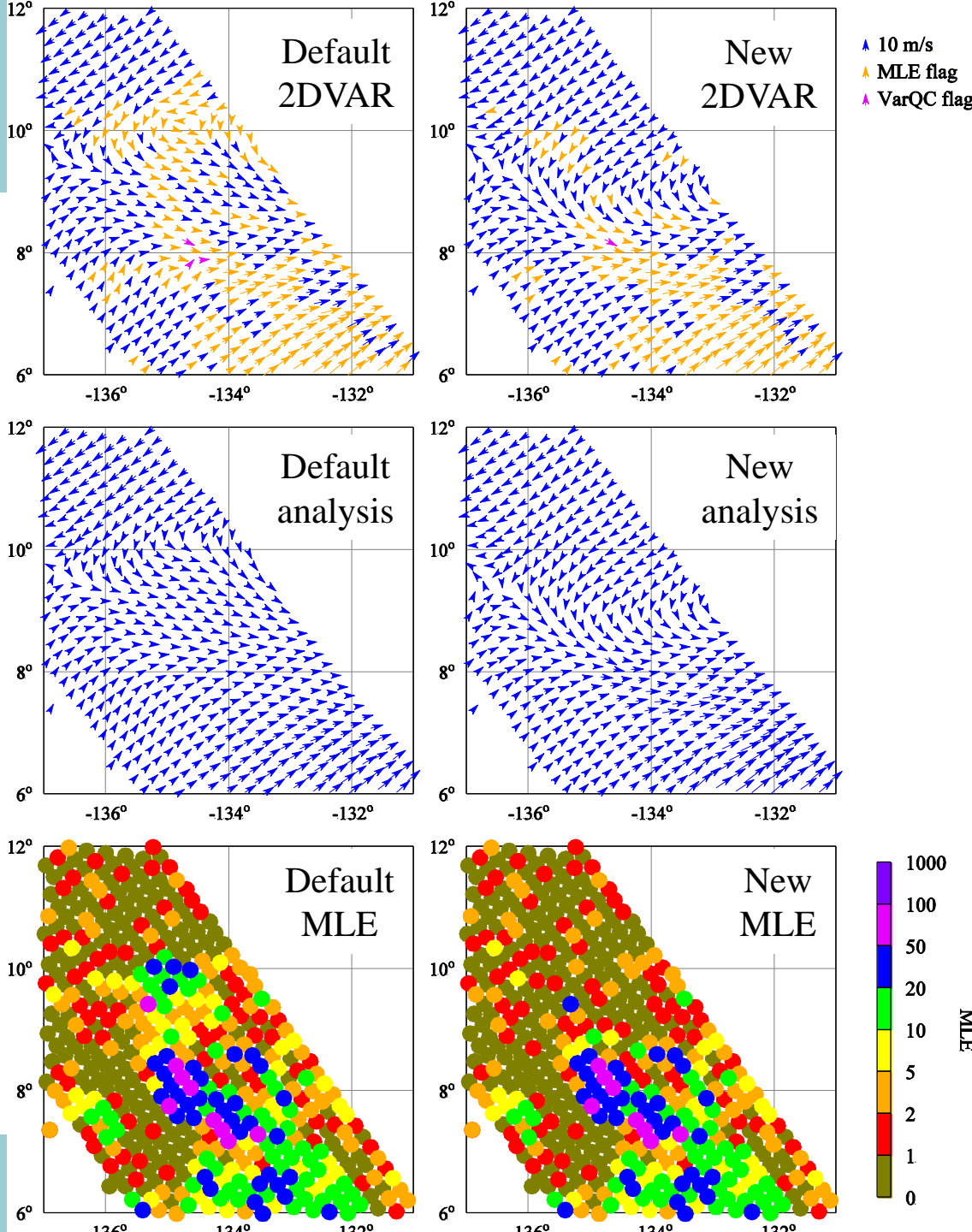
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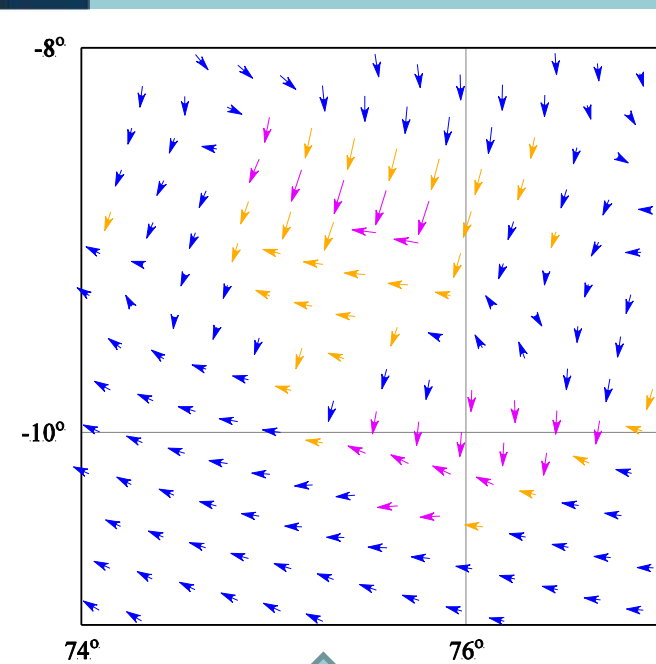


RapidScat

- Static background error correlations based on ASCAT
 - Usually similar, but
 - Larger increments w.r.t background
 - More mesoscale structure
 - Lower MLE
 - Better wind direction verification against buoys
 - Works also for OSCAT



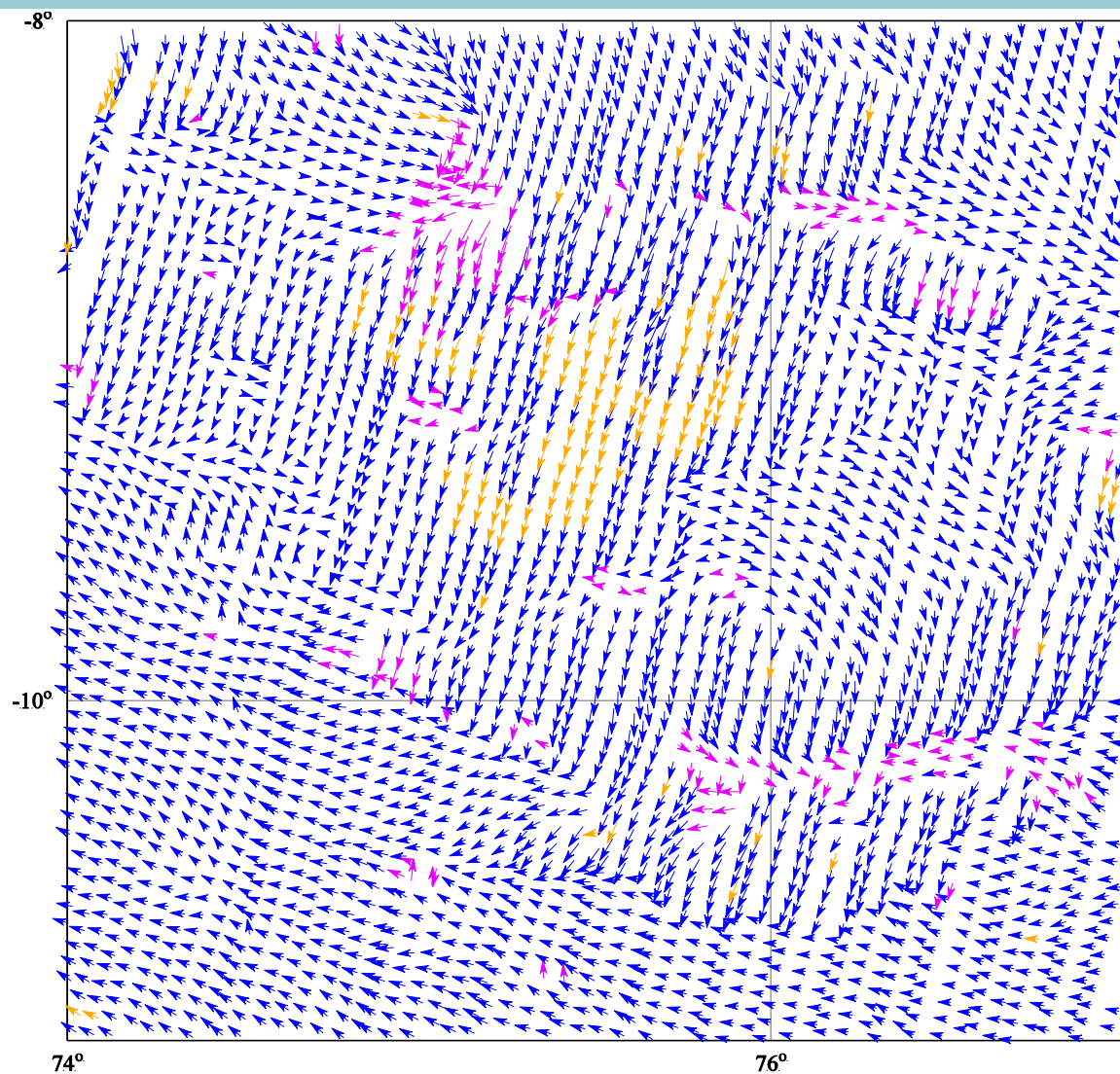
Case 01-01-2015 - comparison



From
12.5 km

to

5.6 km



Scatterometer winds

- Many more will appear soon! (HY2B, CFOSAT, ASCAT-C, OceanSat, WindRad)
- Represent the mean WVC wind
- Are provided as stress-equivalent (neutral) winds
- Verify very well with NWP model
- Verify very well with buoys
- Show spectra close to that theoretically expected for 3D turbulence for scales < 500 km
- Spatial plots show small-scale features in line with these three features: PBL rolls, moist and dry convection, subsidence, air-sea interaction
- Are screened for land, sea ice and rain
- Winds > 30 m/s are difficult to measure/calibrate
- Are ambiguous

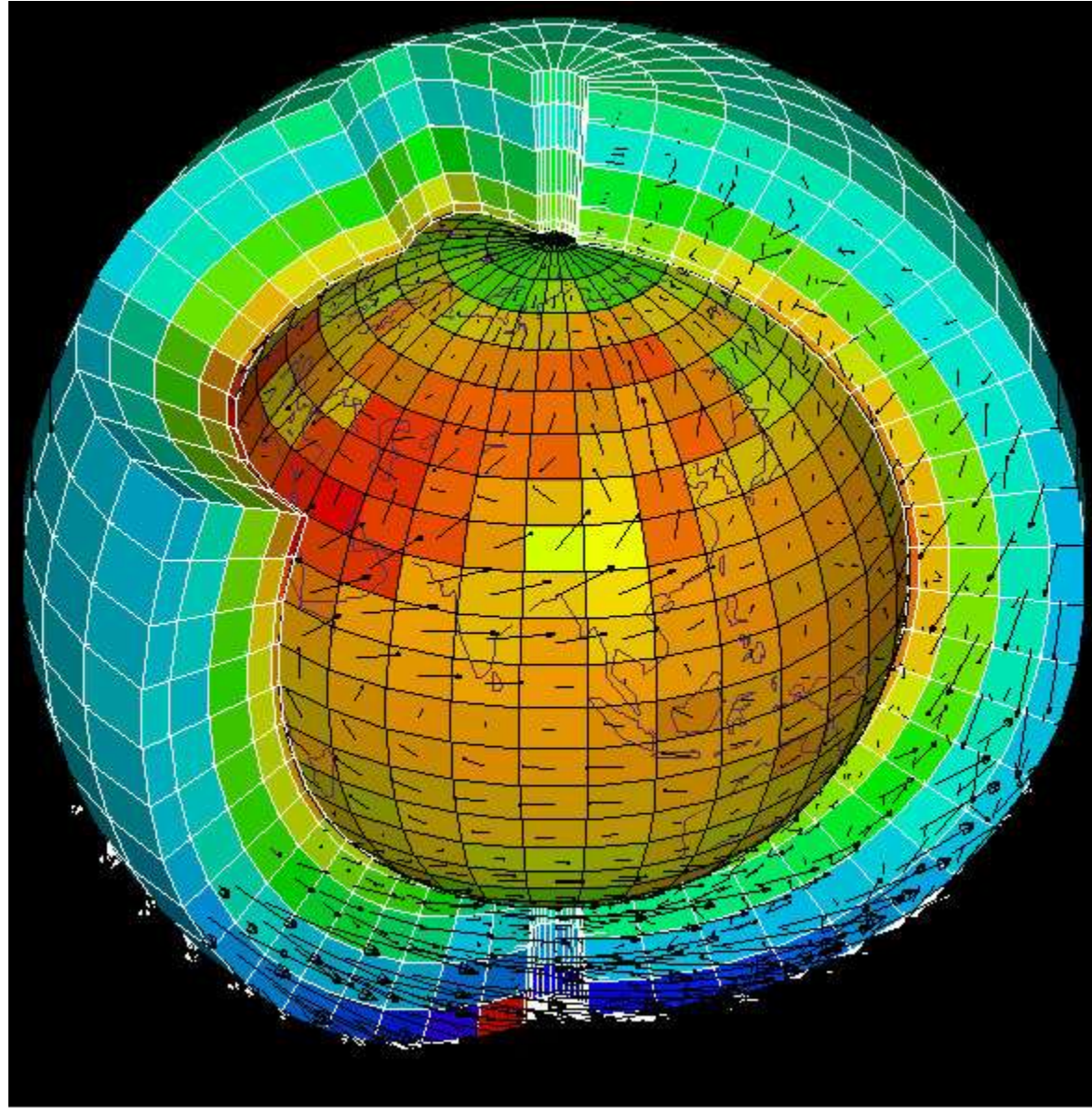
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Global Circulation Models

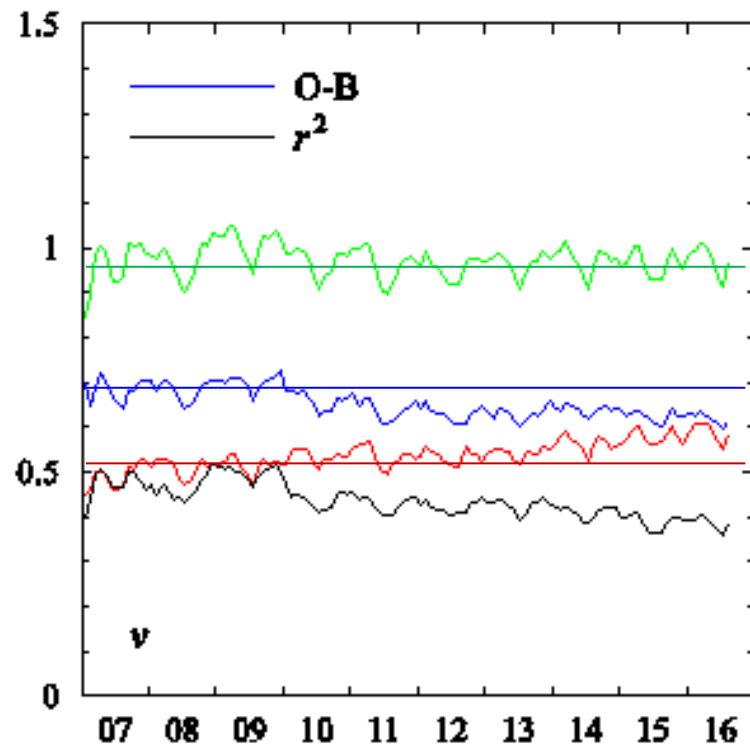
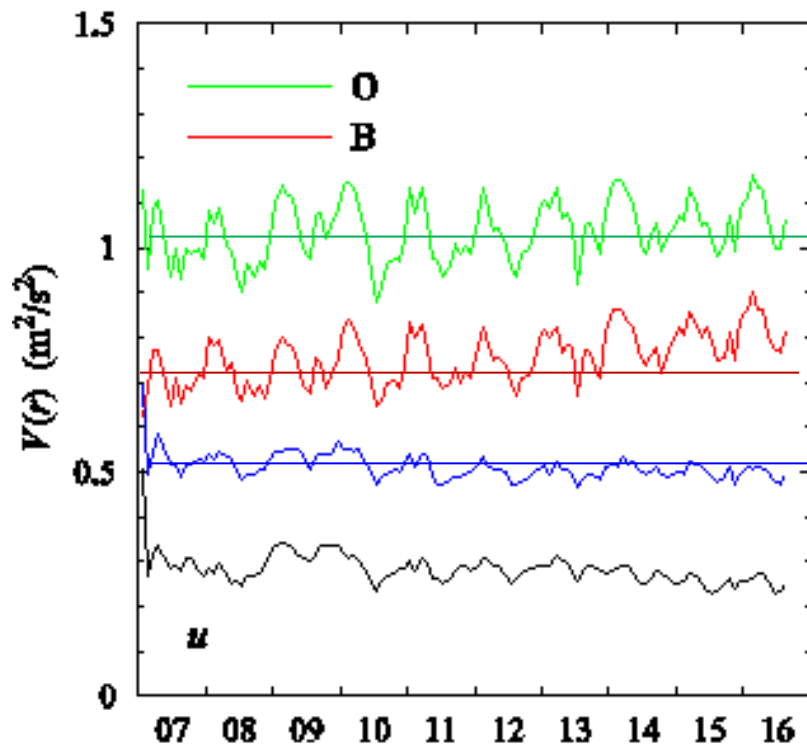


- Used for transient weather prediction and climate scenarios
- $\sim 100 \times 1000^2$ boxes with ~ 10 variables (p, T, u, v, w, CC, H₂O+phase, O₃, ..)
- Interaction between boxes and variables, new state every ~ 15 minutes; 100x a day
- Interaction with ocean and land surfaces
- Largest available supercomputers are used



ECMWF OPS improves over time

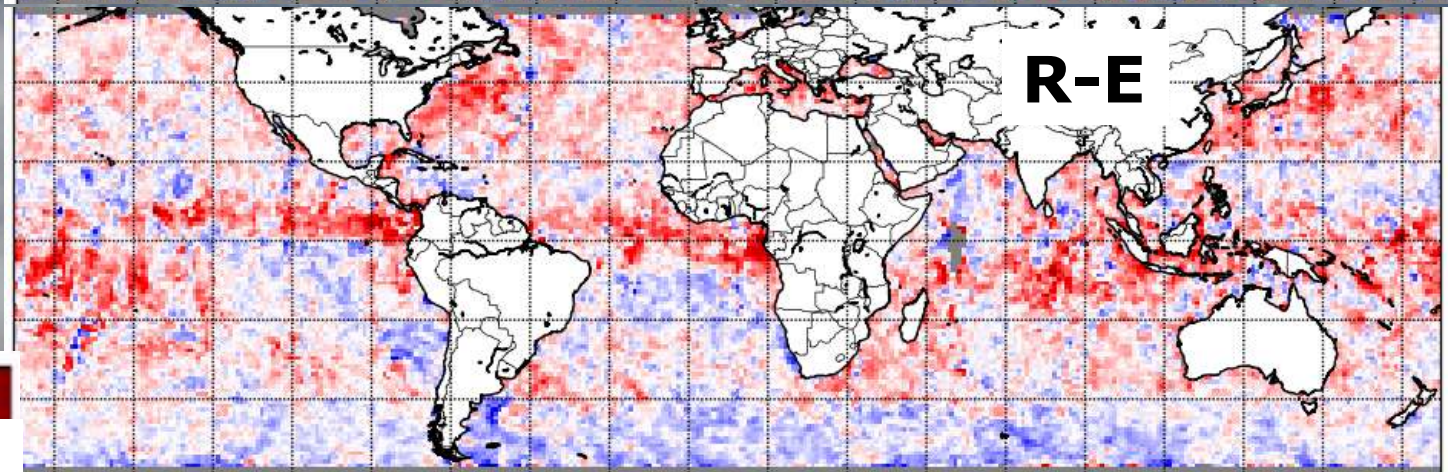
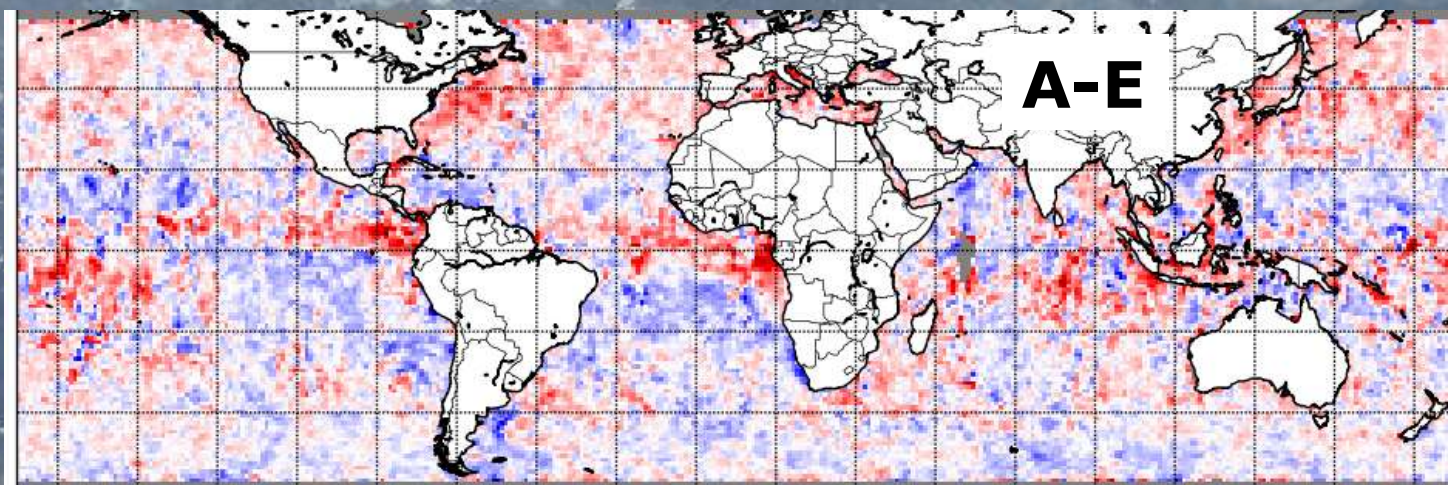
- Variances on scales < 200 km only
- Scatterometer O variance under 200 km constant
- < 200 -km variance B increases to 80% (u), resp. 60% (v) of O
- O-B decreases, particularly for v, thus reducing B error



Bias patterns with NWP

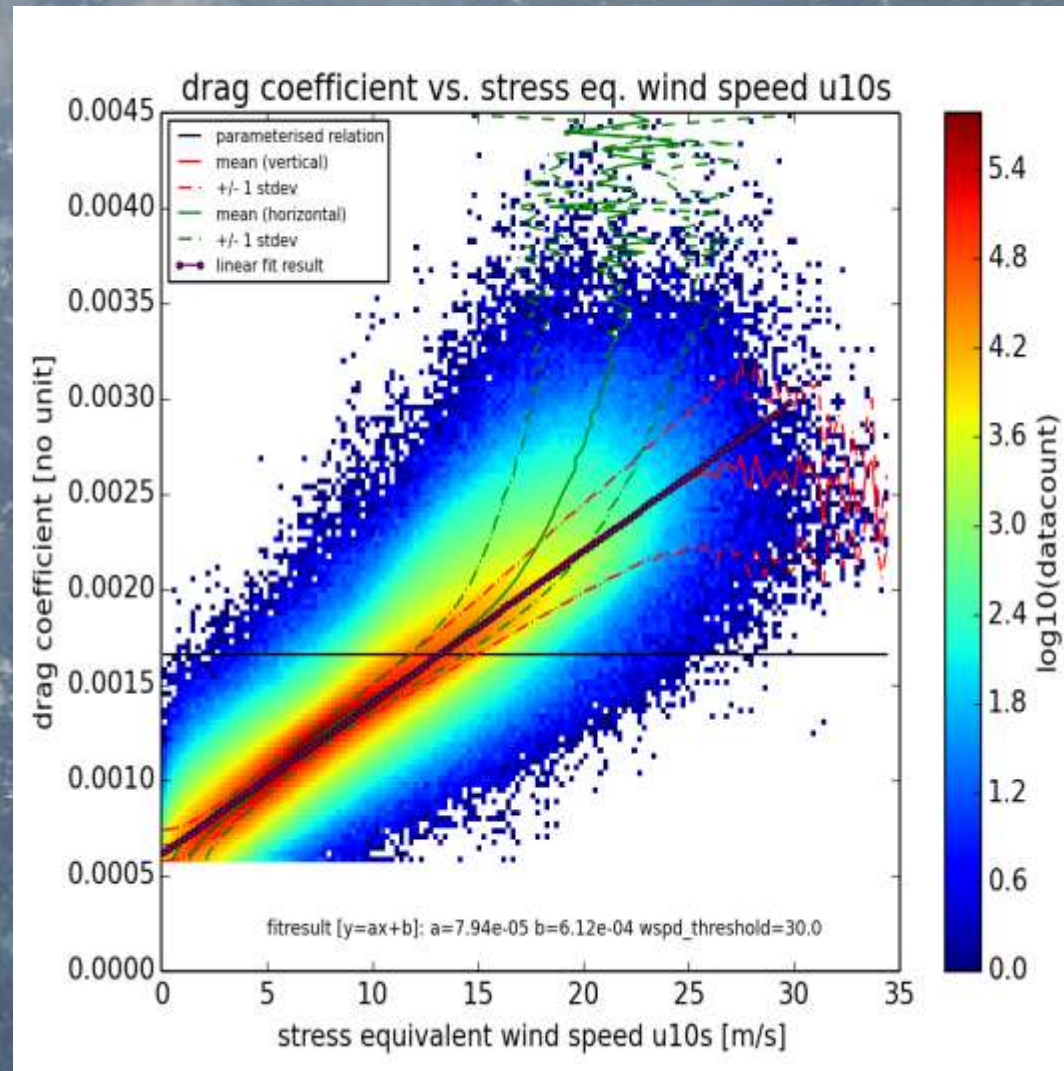
- Systematic wrong ocean forcing in the tropics
- Violates BLUE in data assimilation systems (DAS)
- Similar patterns every day, due to convection, parameterisation, ocean current

- Correct biases before DAS
- Correct ocean forcing in climate runs
- Investigate moist convective processes
- Correct NWP for currents to obtain stress



From U10S to stress: drag

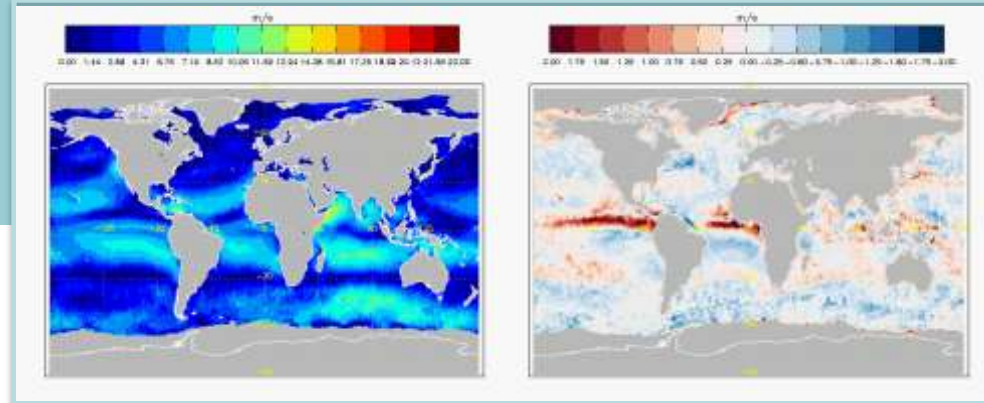
- ❖ Stress-equivalent winds are computed for validation of scatterometer wind vectors: independent of atmospheric stratification and incl. air mass density
- ❖ Obtain drag to compute stress
- ❖ Is the NWP model drag correct ? If not, speed biases occur !



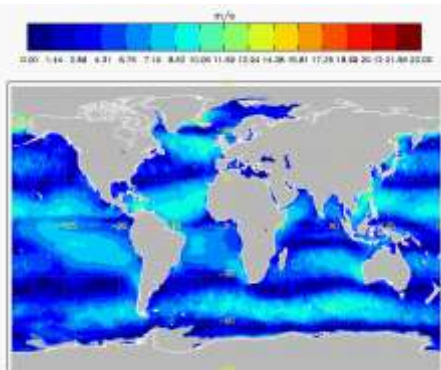


Wind Speed

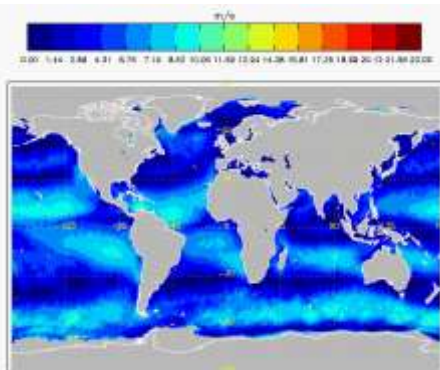
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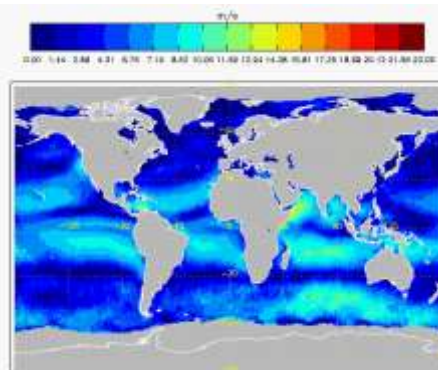
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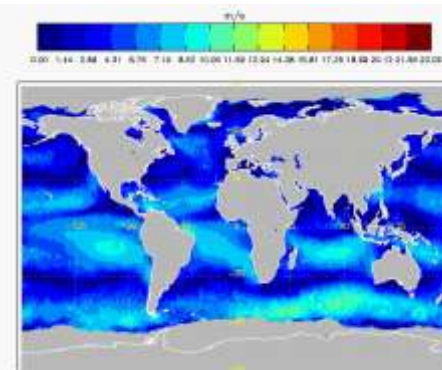
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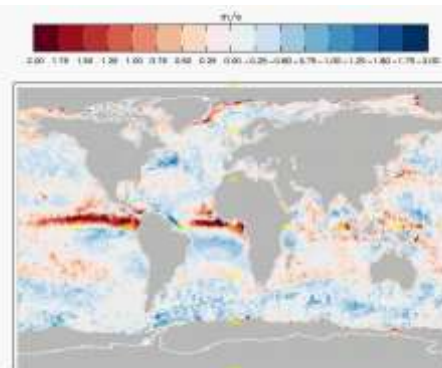
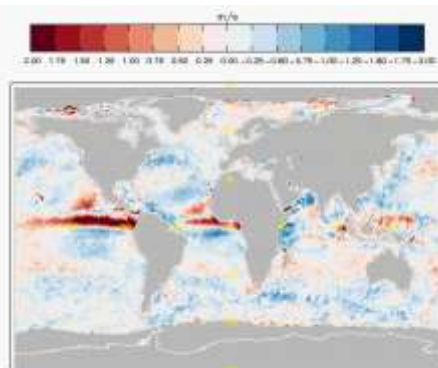
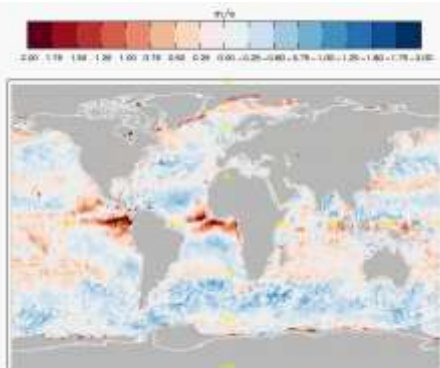
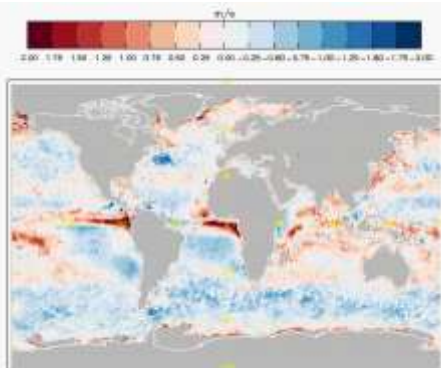
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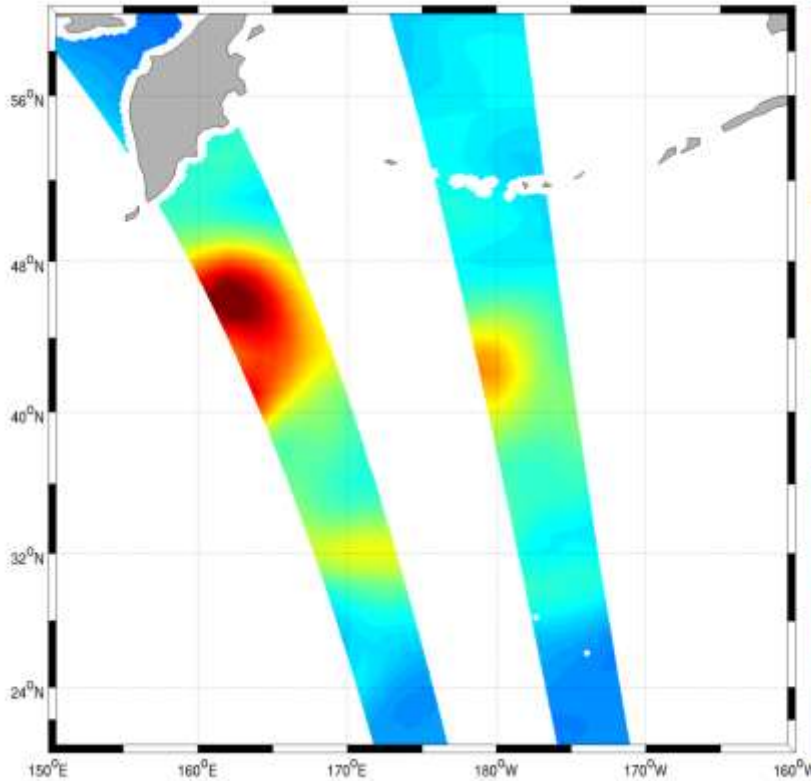


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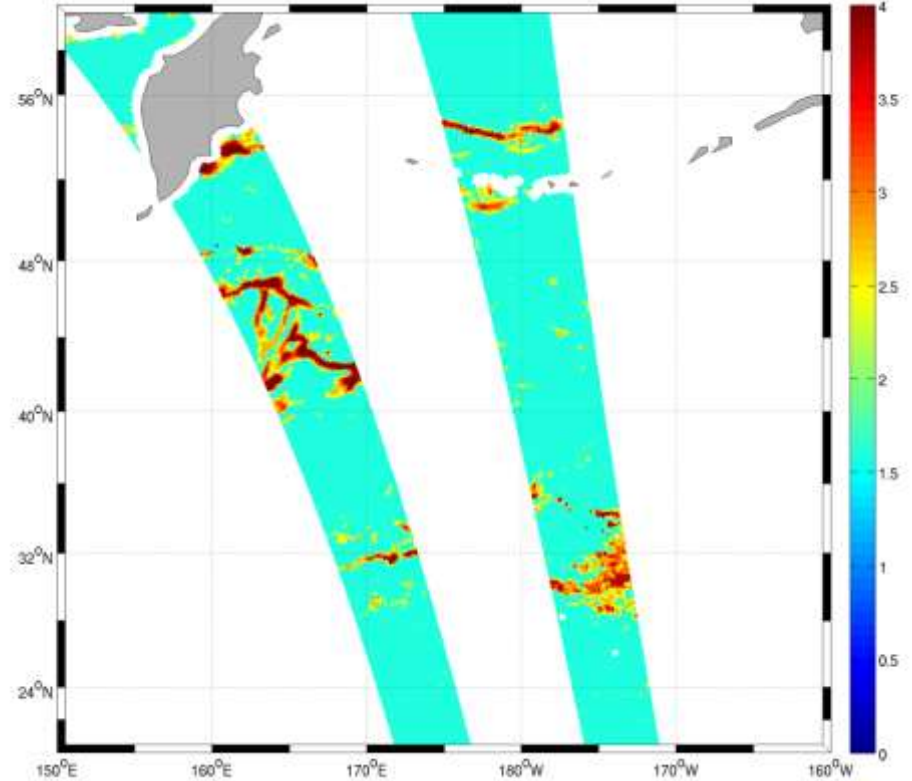


Anomaly (ASCAT-NWP)

Estimated B error variances



ECMWF Ensemble Data Assimilation
(EDA background error)



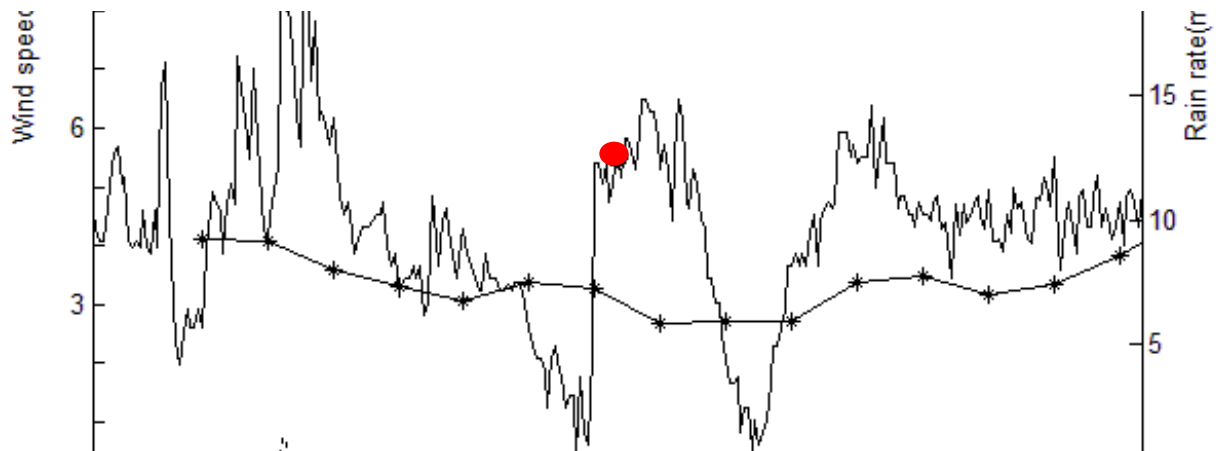
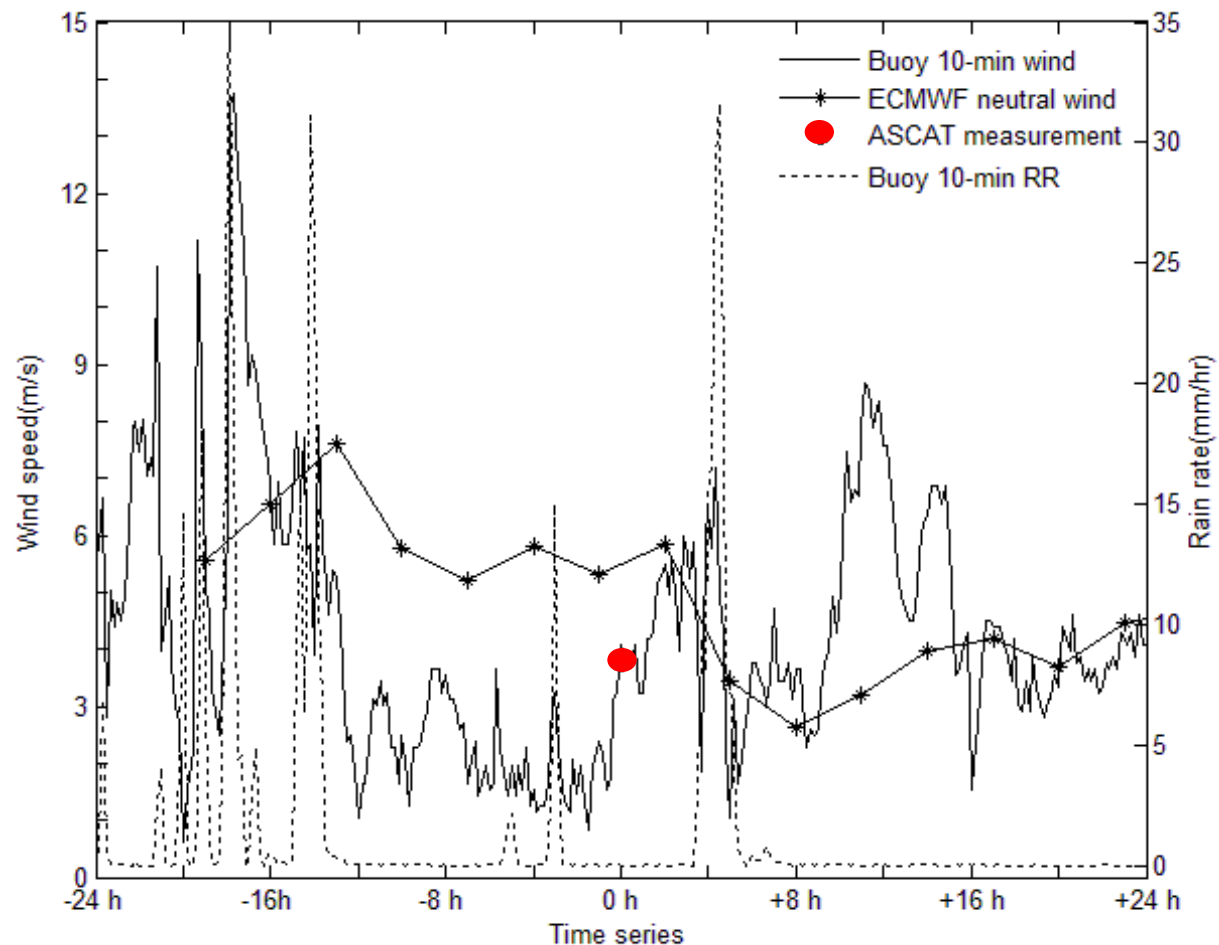
ASCAT-derived ECMWF background
error by triple collocation in QC classes

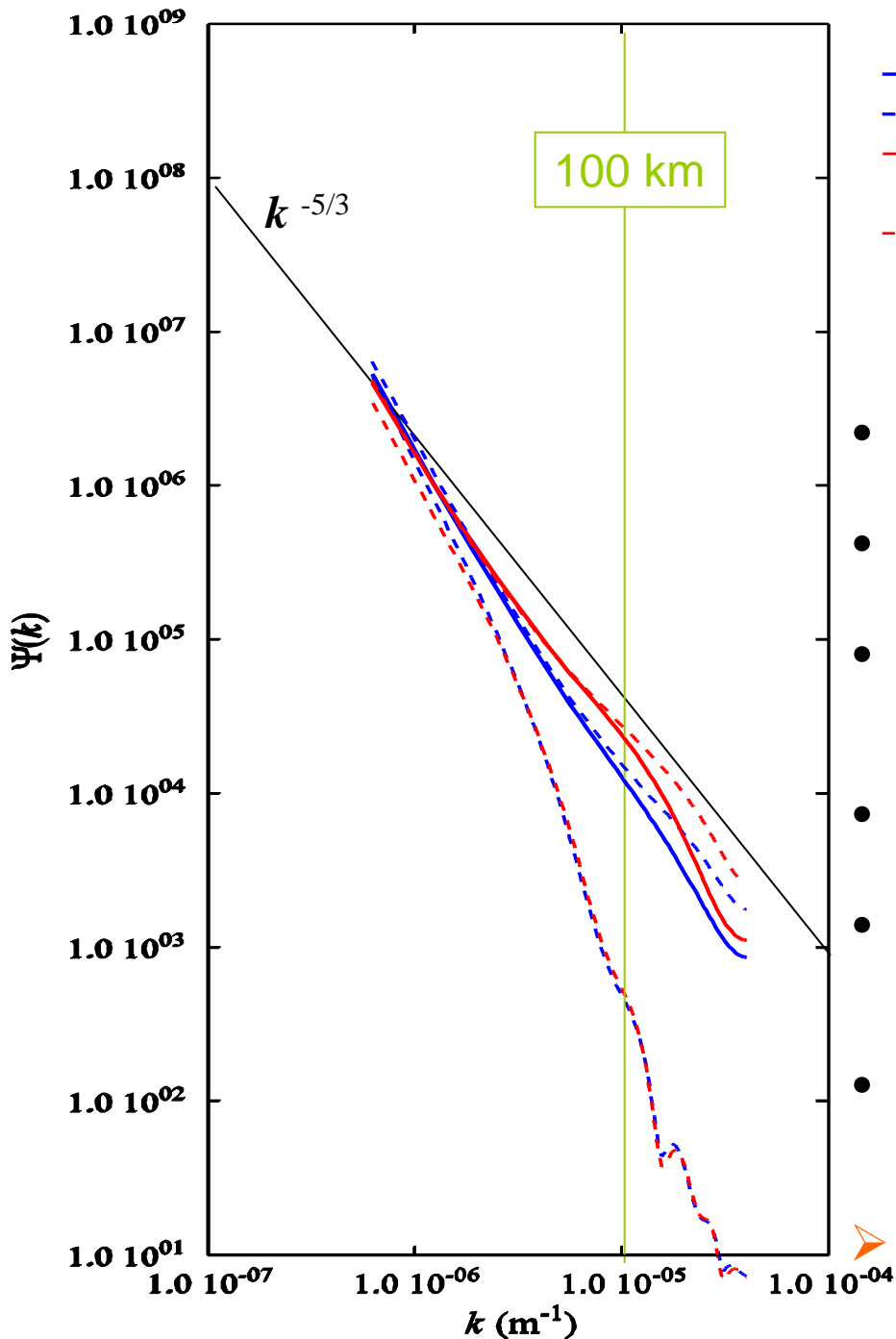
- The structure and location of ECMWF errors is not well resolved in EDA

Tropical variability

- Dry areas reasonable
- NWP models lack air-sea interaction in rainy areas
- ASCAT scatterometer does a good job near rain
- QuikScat, OSCAT and radiometers are affected by rain droplets

Portabella et al., Lin et al.



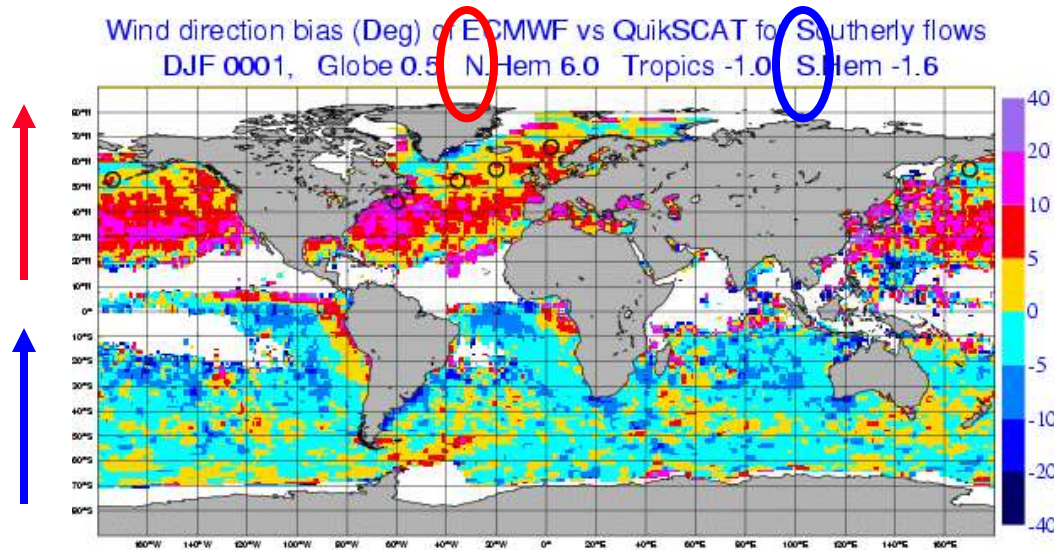


Upscale ?

- Literature provides $k^{-5/3}$ 3D turbulence spectra on scales < 500 km
- ASCAT winds follow such behavior down to 25 km scales
- Global NWP models contain an order of magnitude less variance on scales of 100 km
- Regional NWP models contain noise above sea (weak forcing)
- Developments in 3D turbulence regime from small to large scales are not well described
- Small scale wind information is particularly relevant in cases of dynamical developments (upscale)

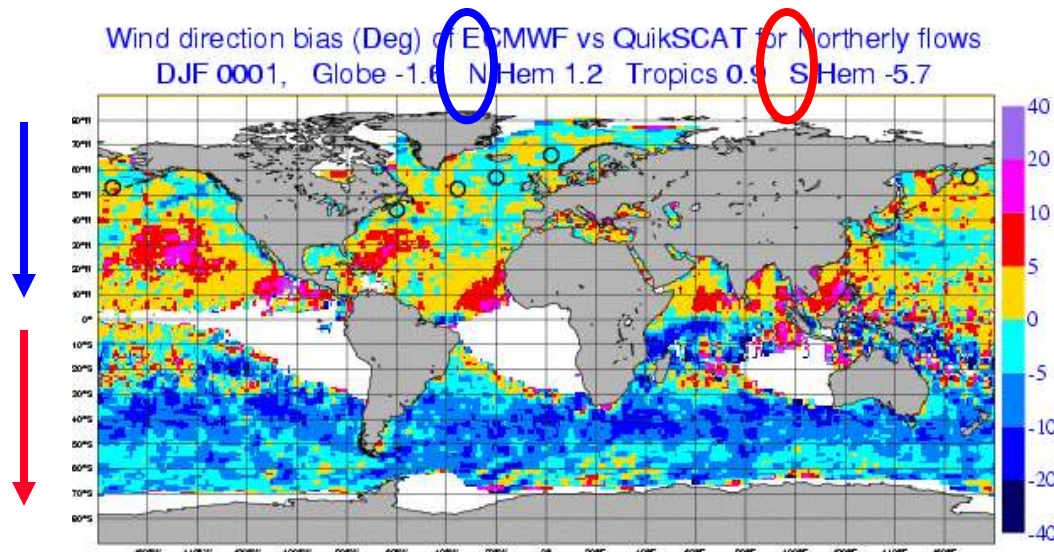
➤ Watch scatterometer winds above sea

Lack of cross-isobar flow in NWP



QuikSCAT vs model wind dir
Stratify w.r.t. Northerly,
Southerly wind direction.
(Dec 2000 – Feb 2001)

- Large effect **warm** advection
- Small effect **blue** advection
- Similar results for NCEP



A. Brown et al., 2005

I. Sandu et al., ECMWF (2013)

Does Dynamical Downscaling With Regional Climate Models add Value to Surface Marine Wind Speed From Reanalyses?

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Simulations with RCMs REMO and CLM: (available from  Database)

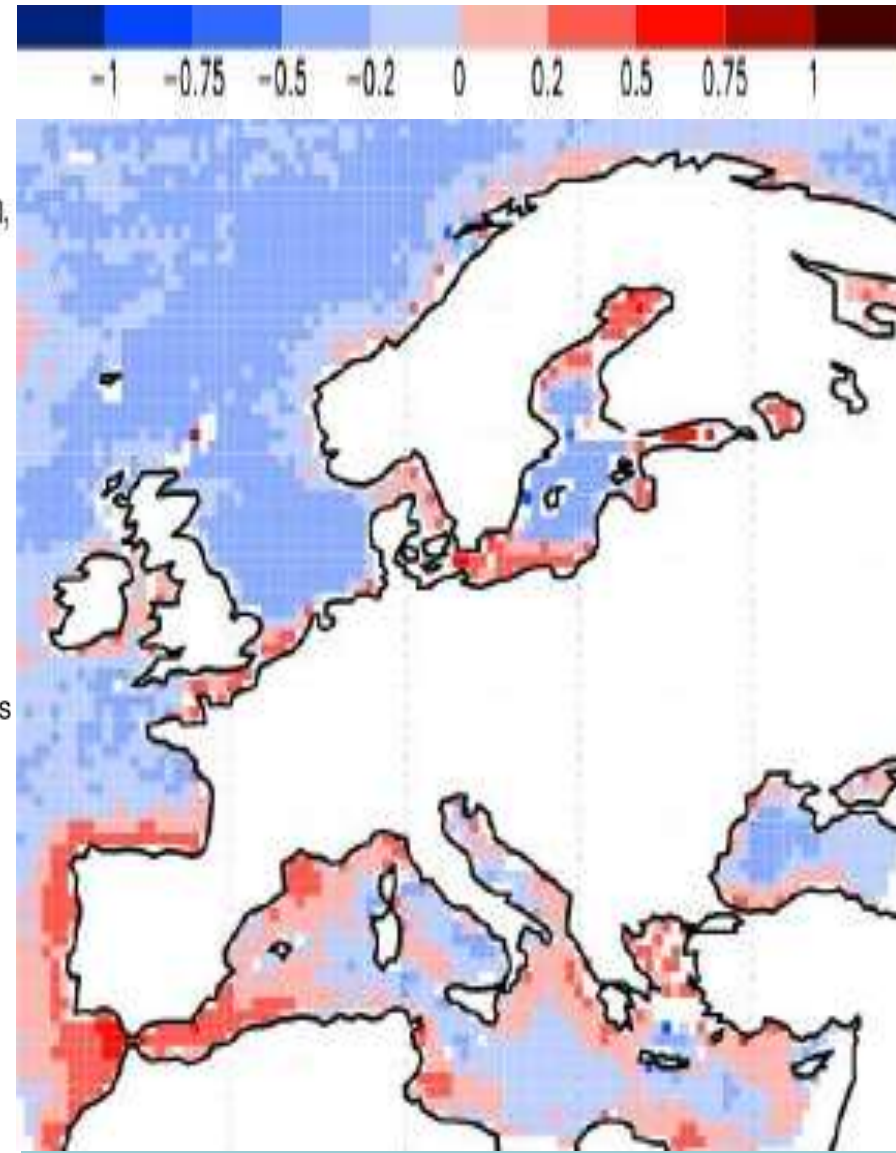
- Three hindcasts with RCMs REMO (Jakob and Podzun, 1997) and CLM (Böhm et al. 2006)
- Initialization and forcing at lateral boundaries: NCEP/NCAR-Reanalysis (NRA), ~1.875° resolution,
- SN-REMO & CLM hindcasts are additionally forced by spectral nudging (von Storch et al., 2000)

Hindcast	STD-REMO (Standard)	SN-REMO	CLM
Based on:	EM	EM	LM
	Hydrostatic	Hydrostatic	Non-hydrostatic
Forcing:	NRA	NRA	NRA
Spectral Nudging:	No	Yes	Yes
Resolution:	0.5°	0.5°	0.44°

- For that purpose a gridded QuikSCAT Level 2B 12.5 km swath (L2B12) data set is produced on SN-REMO grid (rain flagged L2B12 data discarded)
co-location with SN-REMO: QuikSCAT wind speed retrieval max. 12.5 km and +/- 10 min from SN-REMO grid point / time step

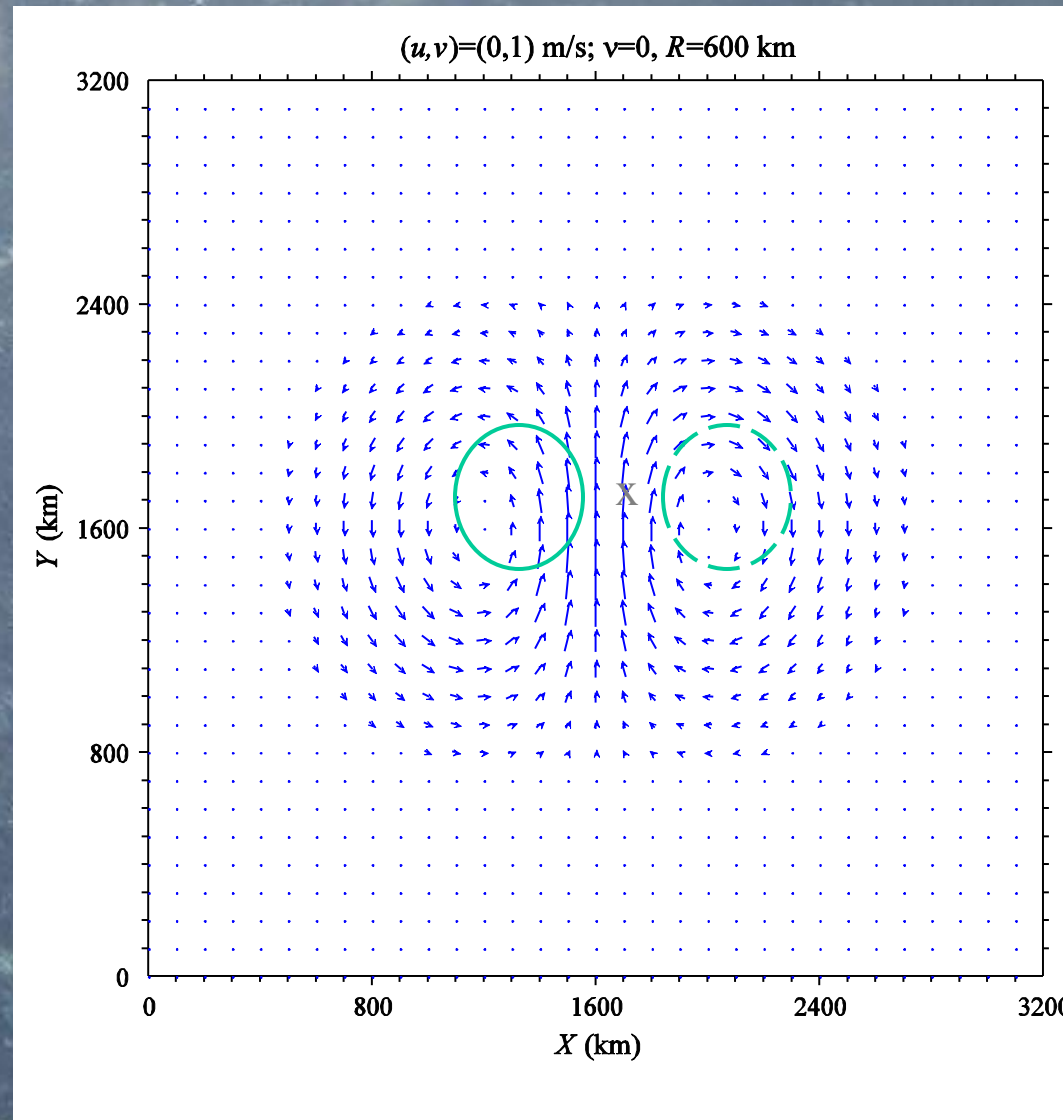
$$\text{Modified BSS} = \begin{cases} 1 - \sigma_F^2 \sigma_R^{-2} & \text{if } \sigma_F^2 \leq \sigma_R^2 \\ \sigma_R^2 \sigma_F^{-2} - 1 & \text{if } \sigma_F^2 > \sigma_R^2 \end{cases}$$

- “Forecast” F: SNREMO, reference “forecast” R: NRA,
predictand/observation: gridded QuikSCAT L2B12 data



Using observations in NWP

- Use of short-range forecast containing all observed information from the past
- One new observation influences a large area
- A change in the wind field by an observation implies a change in the mass field (balance mass/wind)
- Relatively few 4D observations determine the weather evolution
- Small scales remain the most difficult to determine due to the limited global observing system





HARMONIE from ECMWF

- HSCAT scatterometer 50 km
- HARMONIE effective resolution 25 km, grid 2.5 km

Temporal interpolation:
+ spatial averaging:

(m/s)	bias u_{10m}	stdev u_{10m}	bias v_{10m}	stdev v_{10m}
HSCAT	(23.961 collocations); $\Delta t = -0.29$; $ \Delta t = 0.85$			
$(o - b)$	-0.46	1.61	-0.24	1.57
$(o - b_t)$	-0.46	1.36	-0.22	1.29
$(o - \bar{b}_t)$	-0.45	1.25	-0.22	1.18

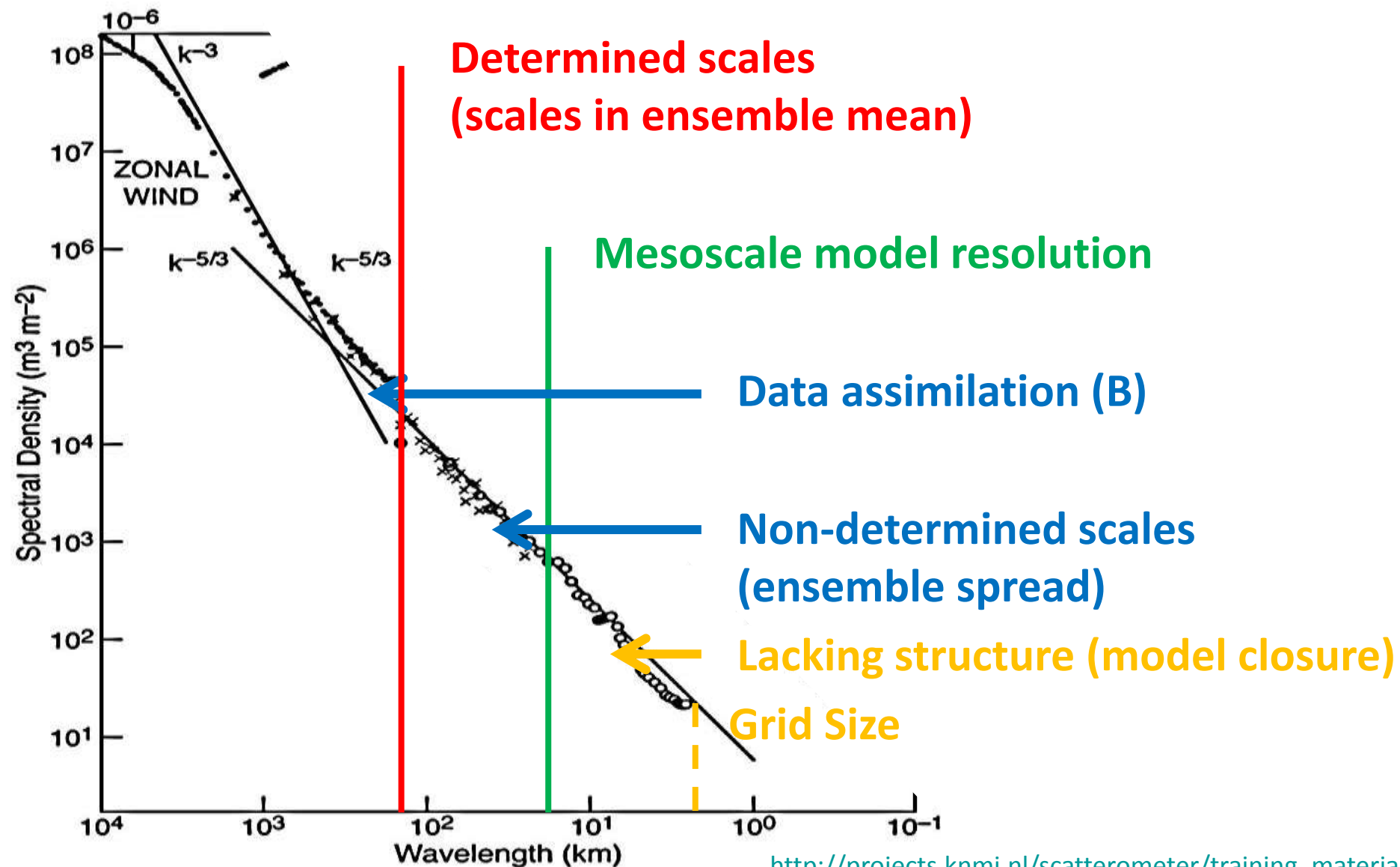
- ECMWF:

	t_f	bias u_{10m}	stdev u_{10m}	bias v_{10m}	stdev v_{10m}
HSCAT	5.6	-0.11	1.09	0.05	1.15

- ECMWF 6-hour forecast better than matched 50-km scale time-interpolated HARMONIE background
- ECMWF resolution is ~ 150 km over the open ocean
- Deterministic resolution HARMONIE \approx ECMWF over sea



Mesoscale Data Assimilation Strategy



Model winds

- Are initialized from observations in a DAS
- Are improving and are the forecasters' reference
- New observations are not used in models (up to 12 hour lag)
- A lot can happen in 12 hours on the mesoscale
- Differences between new and timely observations and short-range model forecasts affect the forecasters warnings, either current ones or in future
- Lack true mesoscale variability, since poorly observed in 4D
- Are not so good in the tropics or elsewhere near convection (e.g., polar lows)
- Have some systematic wind biases (in stable air, ocean currents, diurnal cycle, ..)

Scatterometer Winds for NRT Support to Mesoscale Forecasting

- Introduction
- Scatterometer wind observations
- NWP model winds
- Mesoscale forecasting

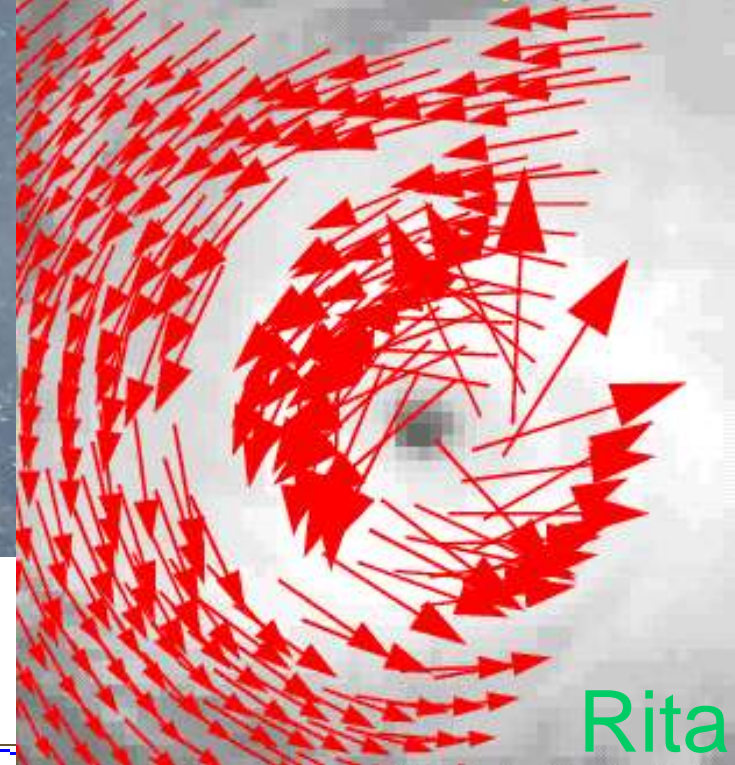
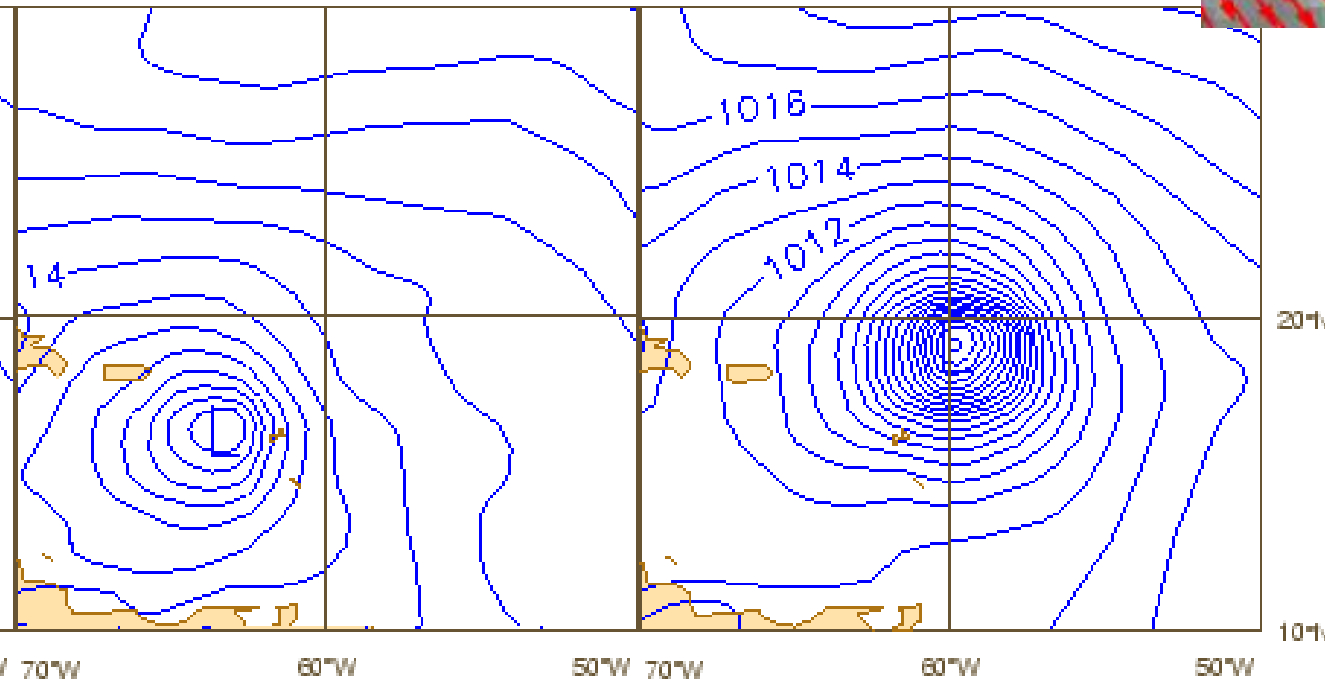
Scatterometer

- Improved forecasts of tropical hurricanes

Isaksen & Stoffelen, 2000

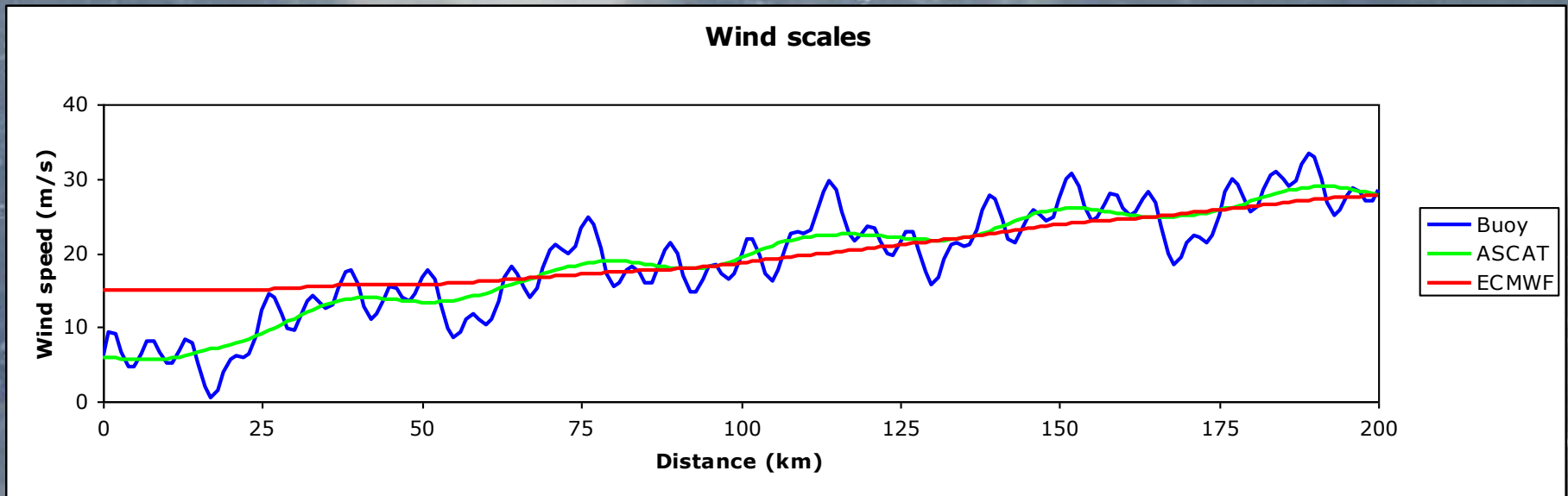
No ERS Scatterometer

With ERS



Mainly by
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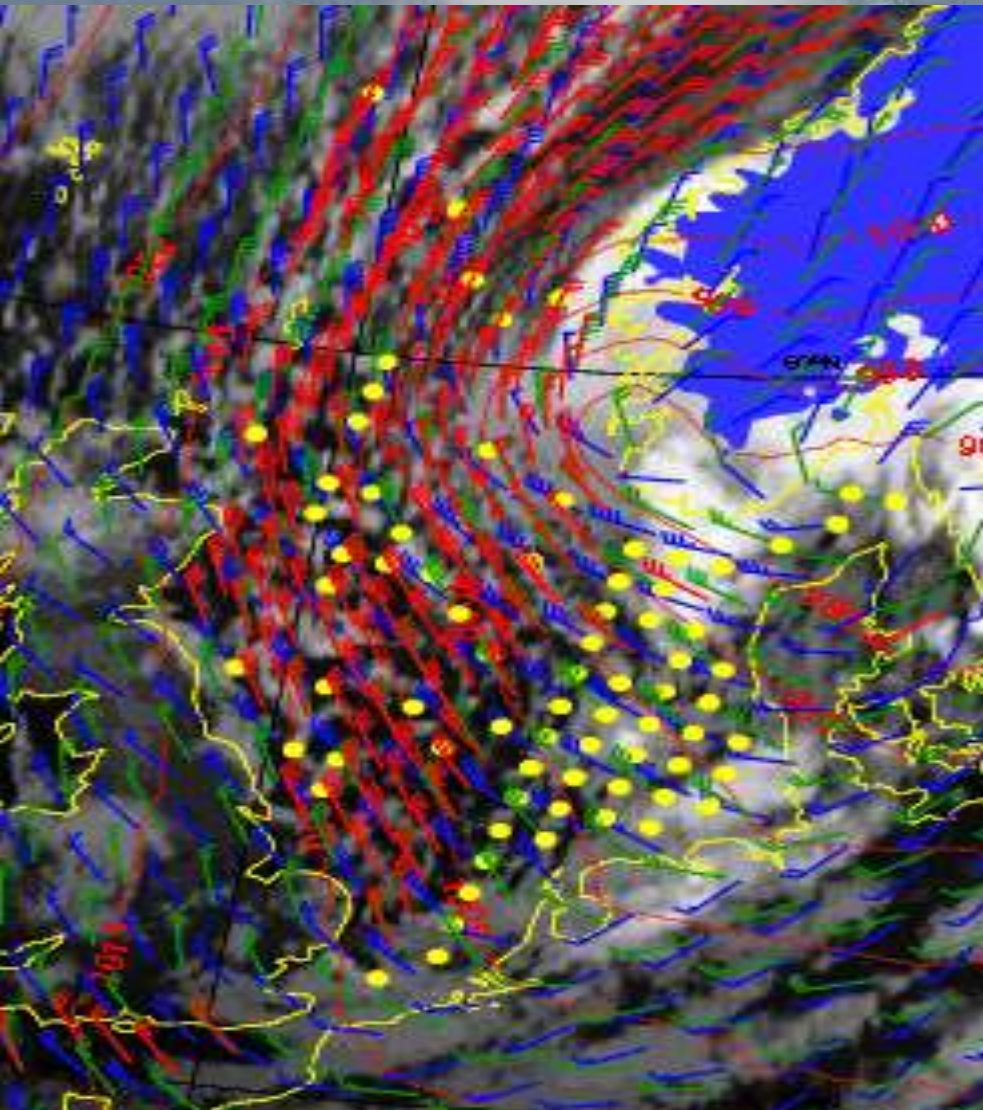
Spatial representation



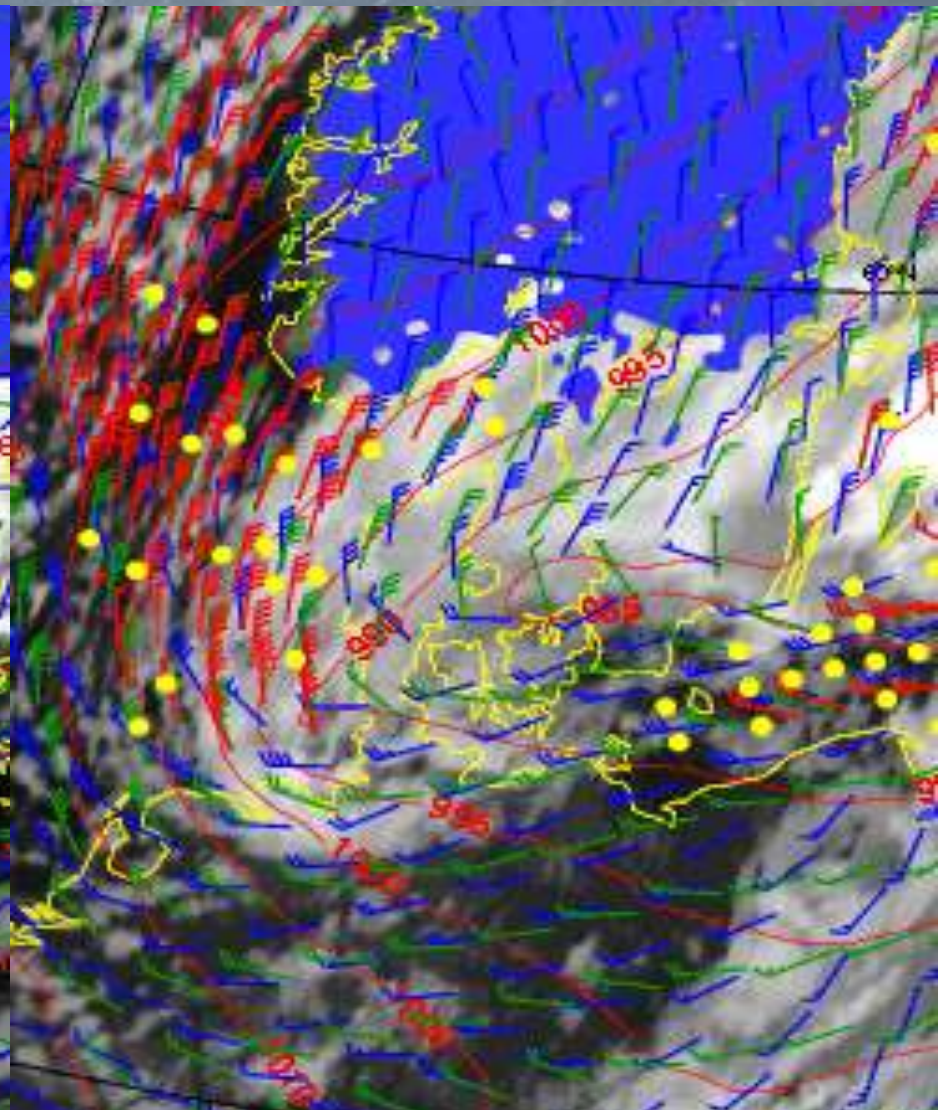
- We estimate area-mean (WVC) winds using the empirical GMFs
- 25-km areal winds are less extreme than 10-minute sustained in situ winds (e.g., from buoys)
- So, extreme buoy winds should be higher than extreme scatterometer winds (allow for gustiness factor)
- Extreme global NWP winds are again somewhat lower due to lacking resolution ; all have different PDFs!



Storm surge Delfzijl



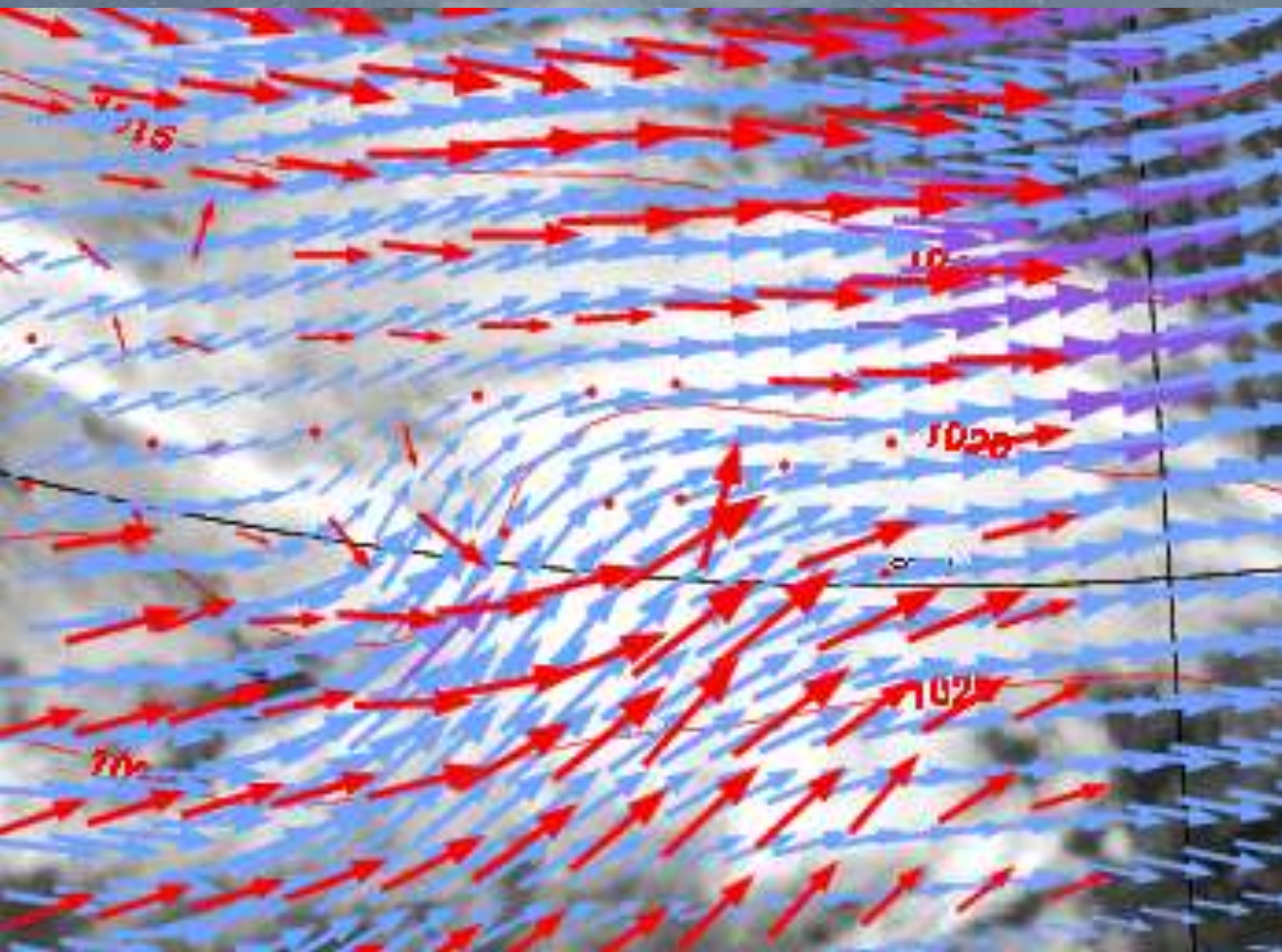
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NWP Impact @ 100 km

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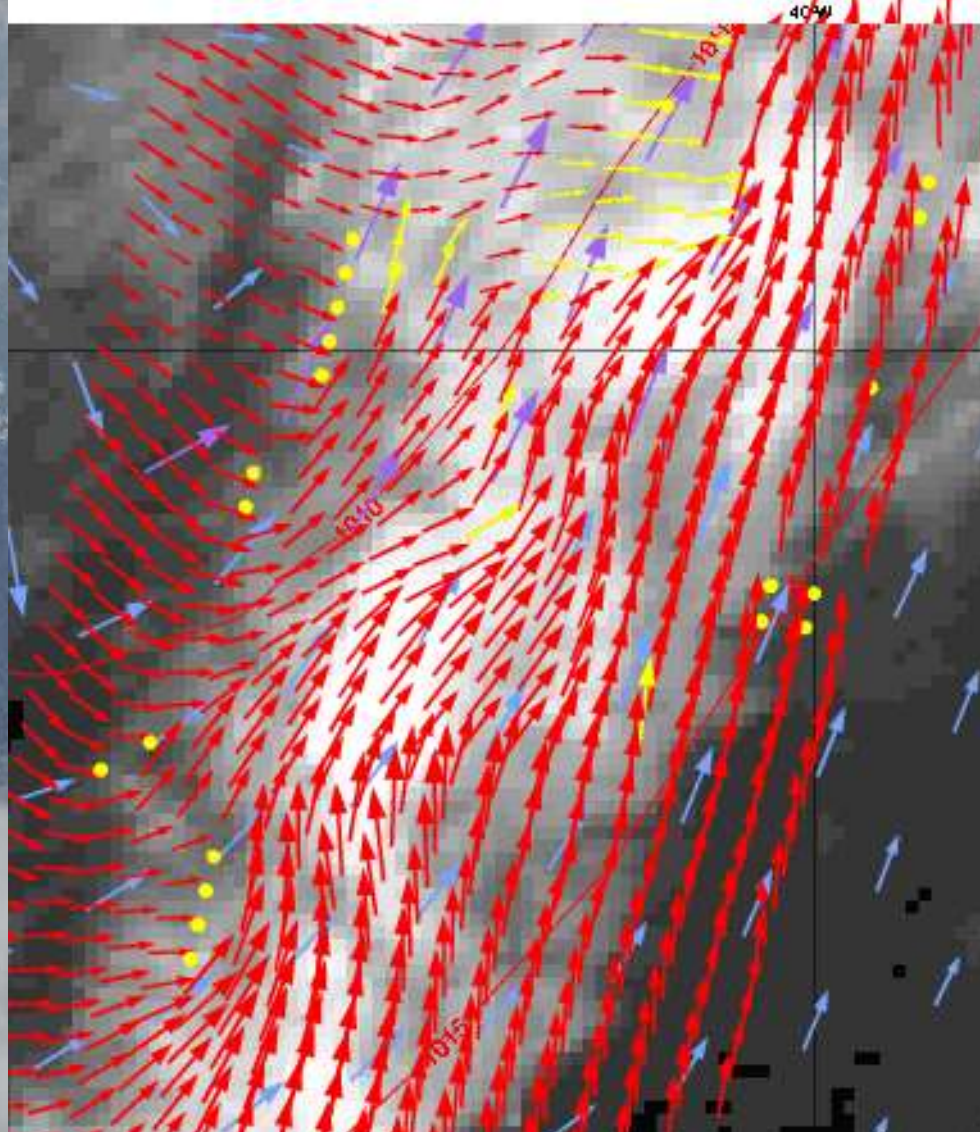


Storm near

HIRLAM
misses wave;
SeaWinds
should be
beneficial!



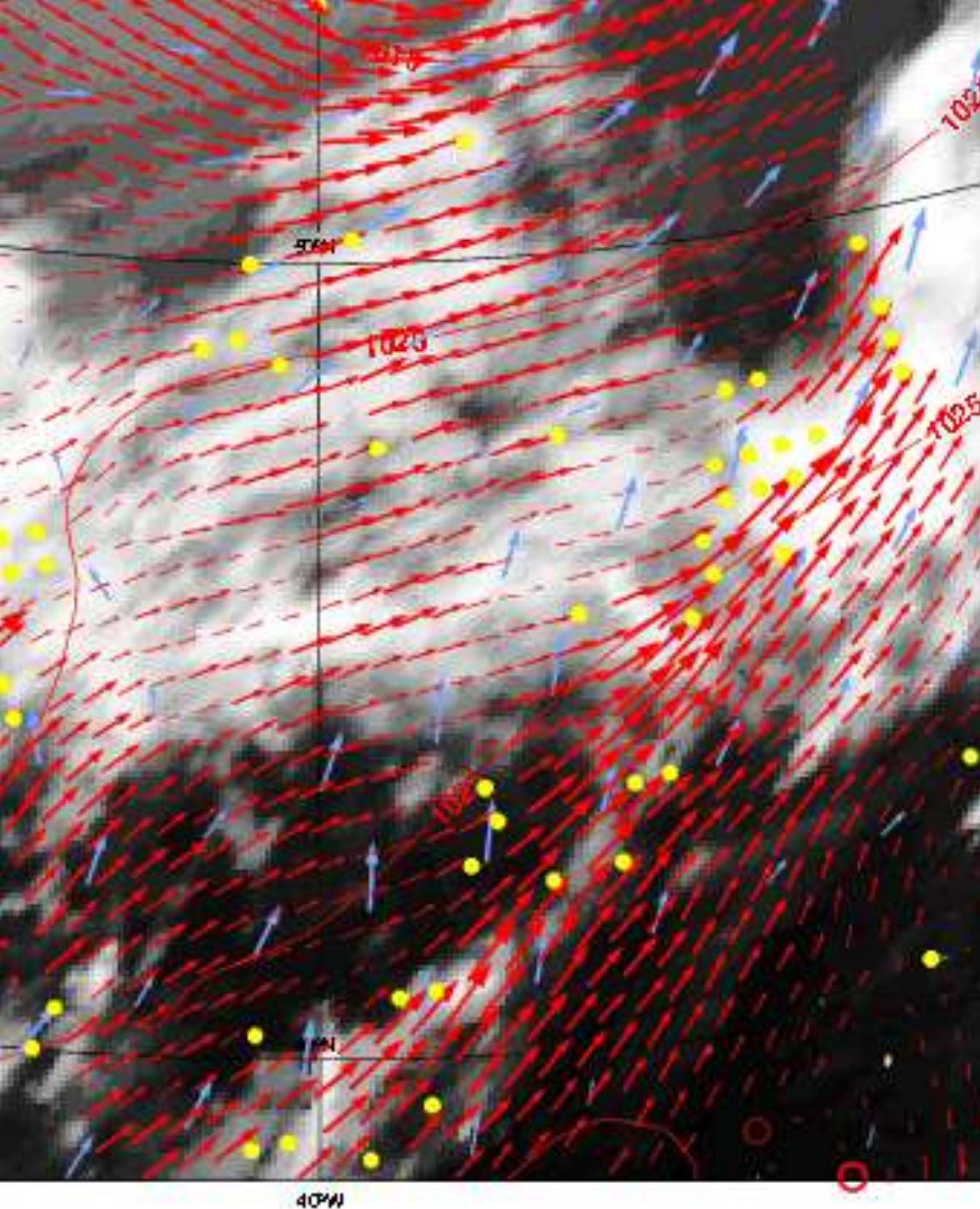
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ERS-2 scatterometer wave train; missed by HiRLAM



Missed wave train in QuikScat





North Sea surge 10 Oct 13 (2013-10-10)

SEV ID: eS_SEV20131010/AOI_010.

Surge event dated 2013-10-10 in AOI_010 (North sea). [More information](#)

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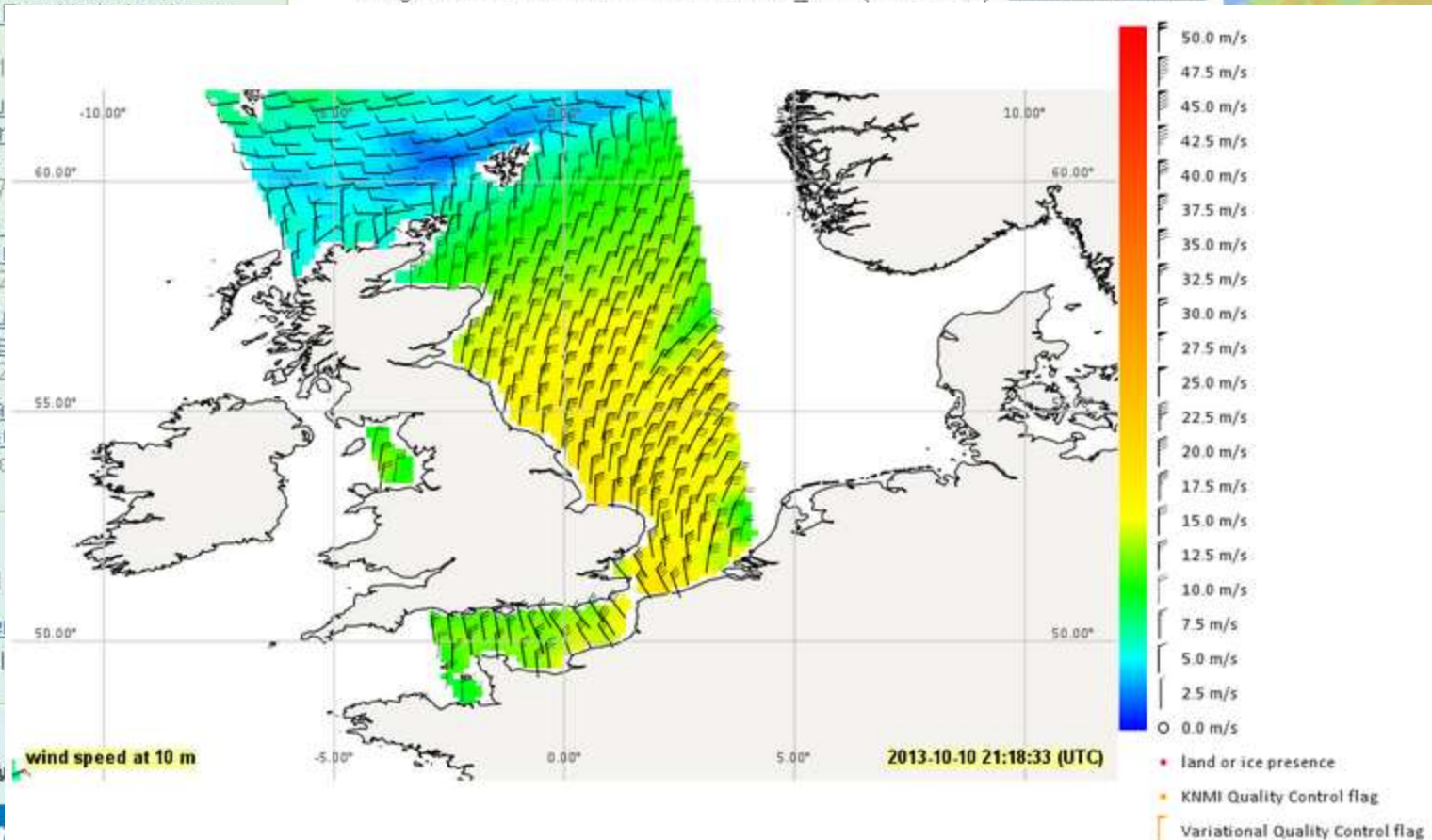
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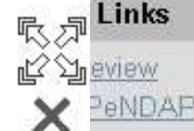


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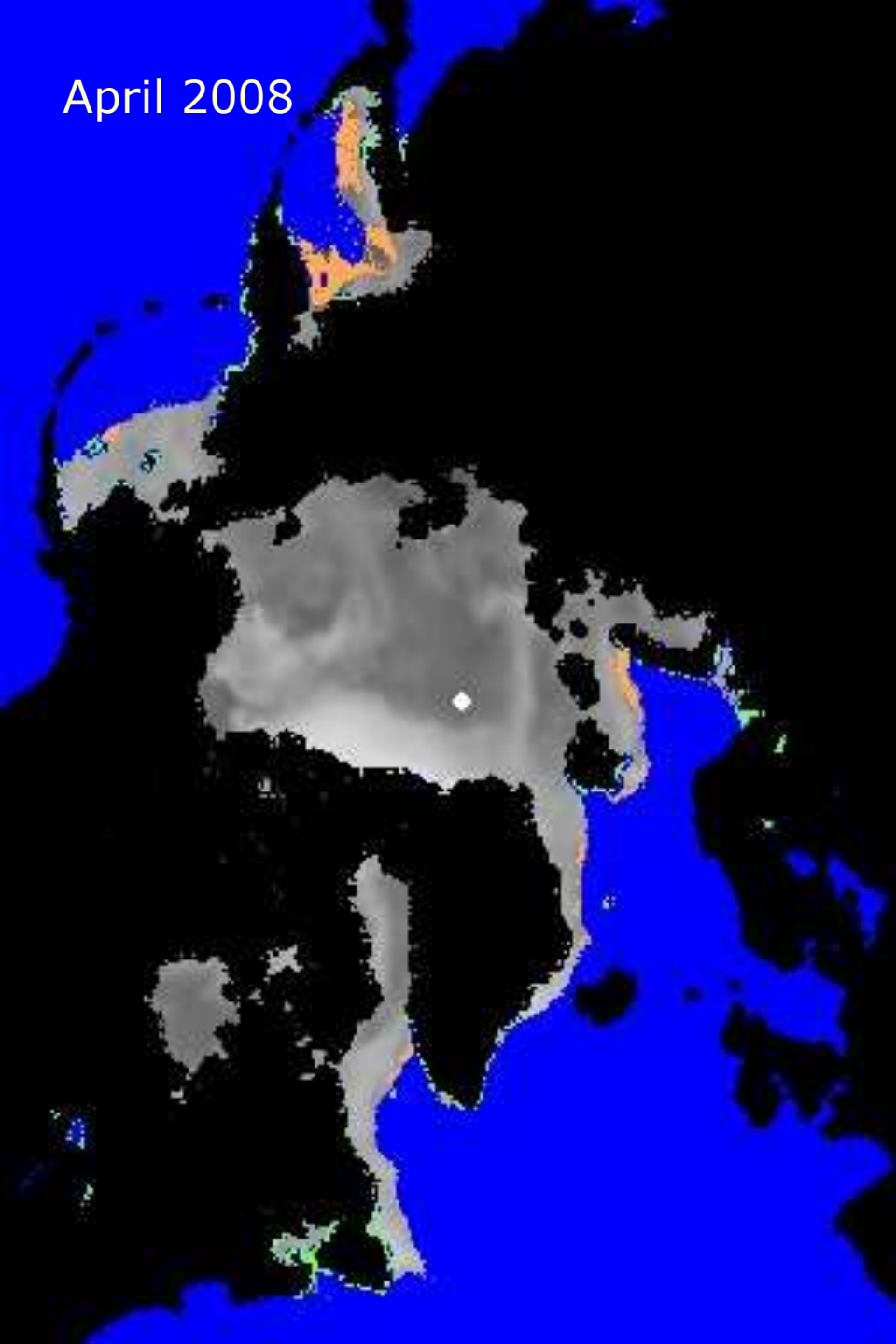


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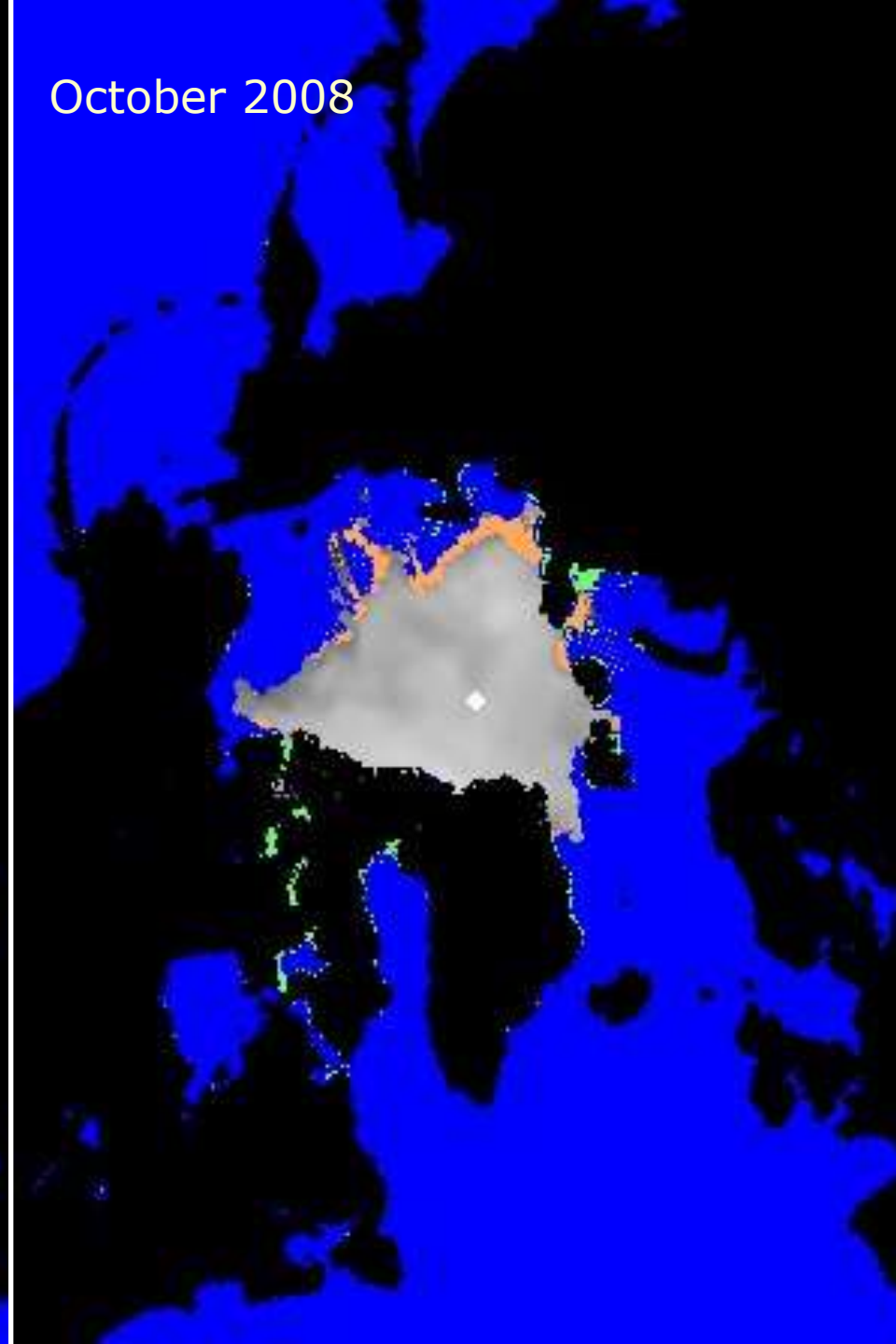
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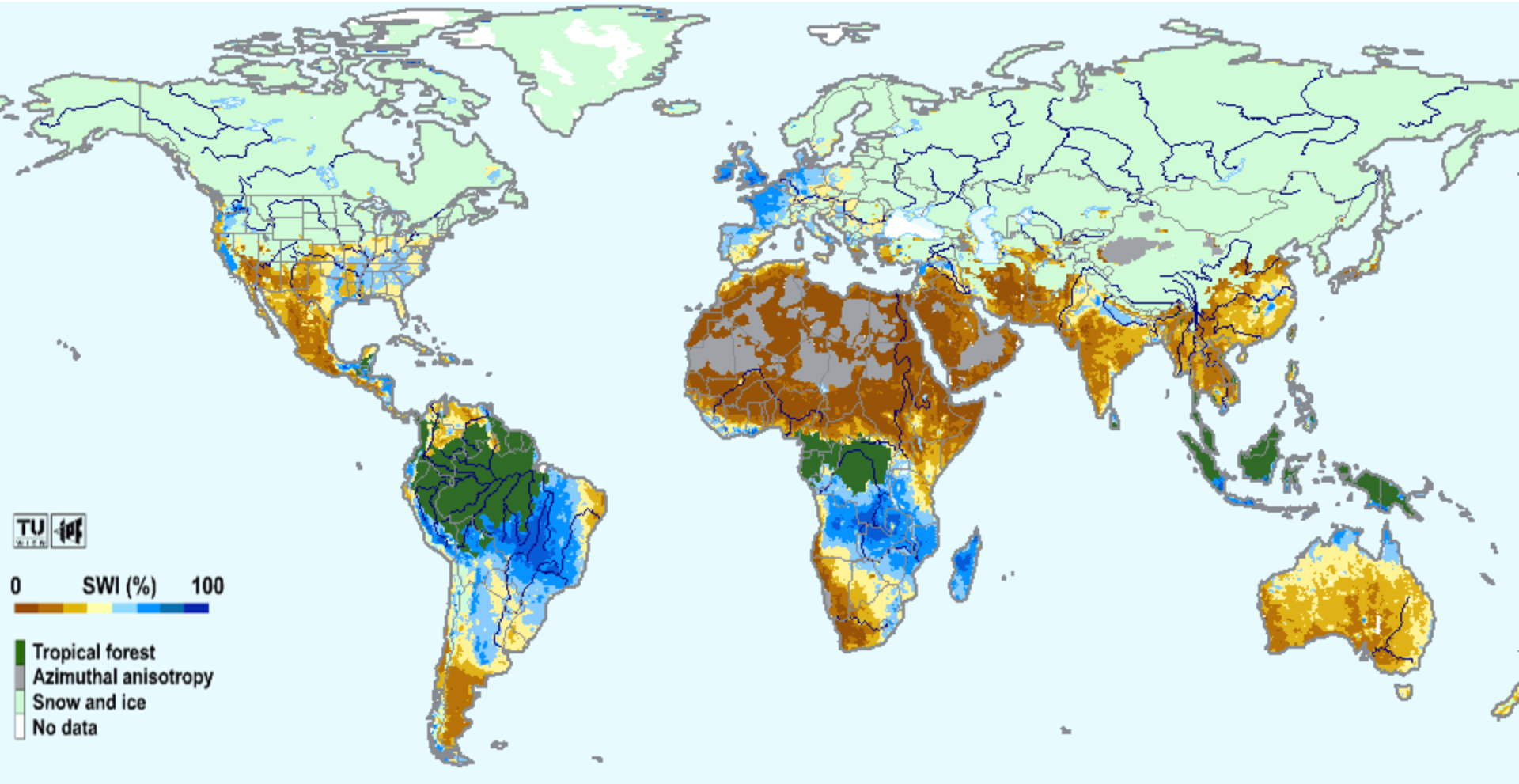
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Soil Water Index



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Vegetation and rain too

European Space Agency

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 - Registration for data, software, service messages
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- www.knmi.nl/scatterometer
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 - Status, monitoring, validation
 - User Manual
- EUMETTrain forecasters forum
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- Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service marine.copernicus.eu/

Training/interaction

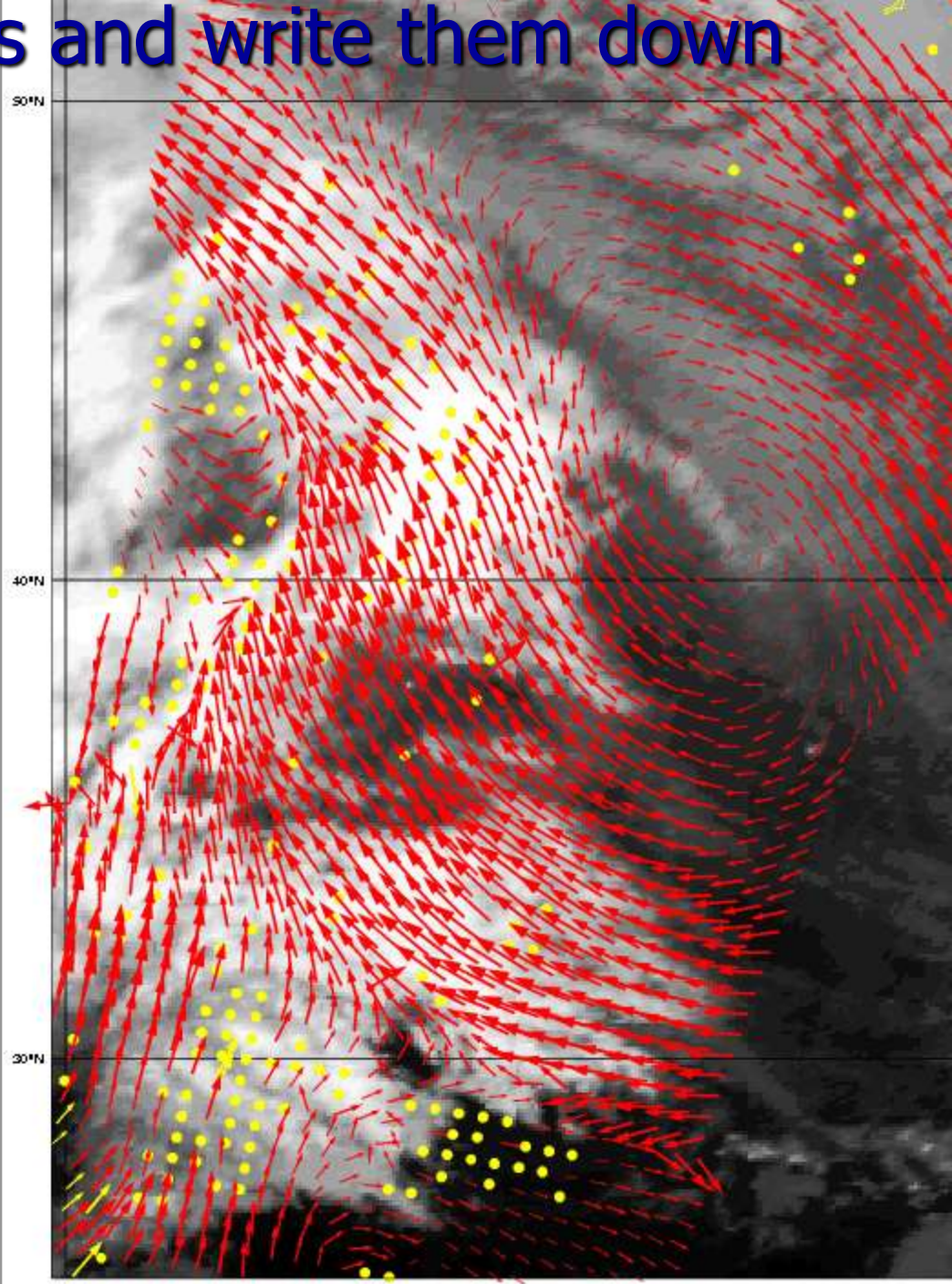
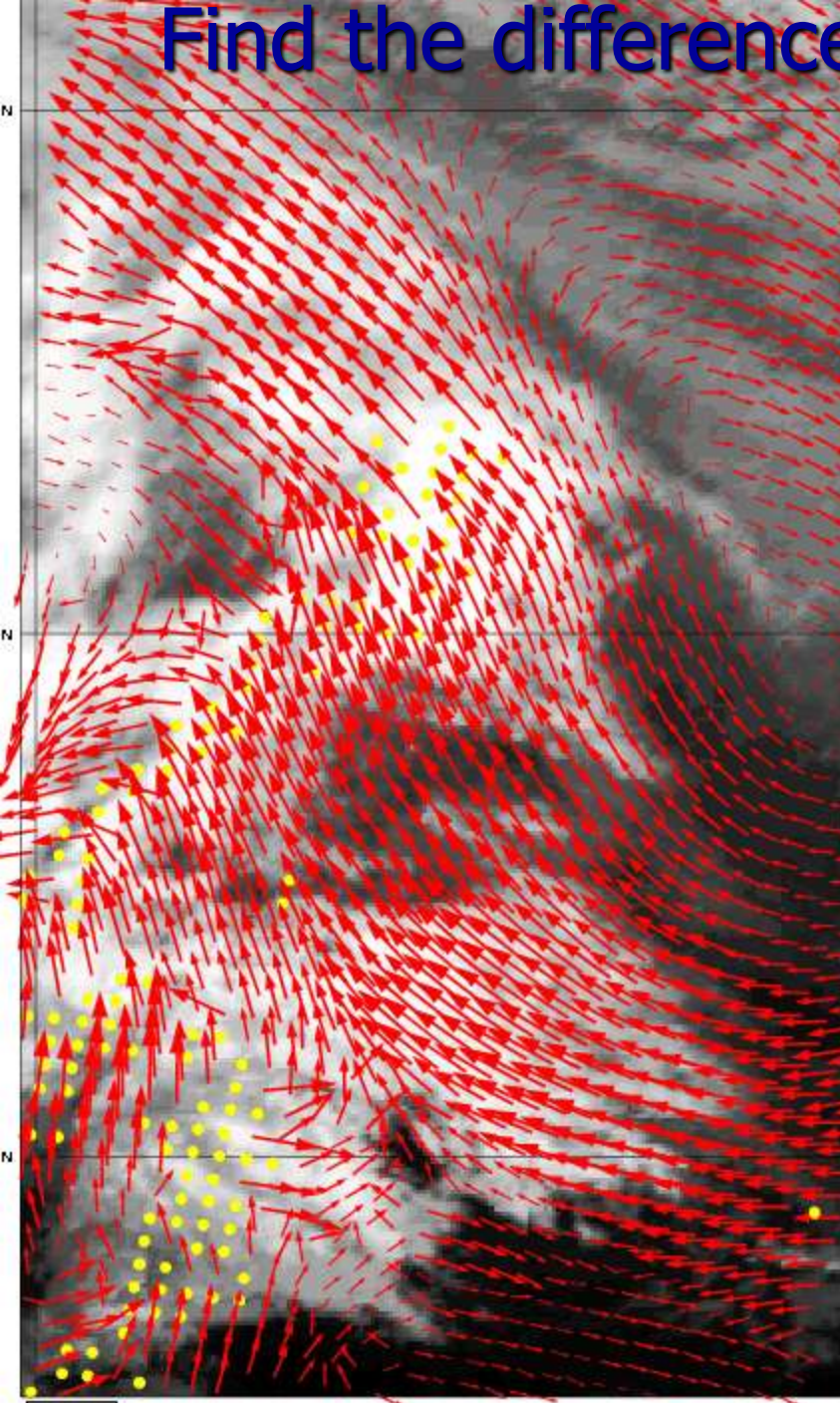
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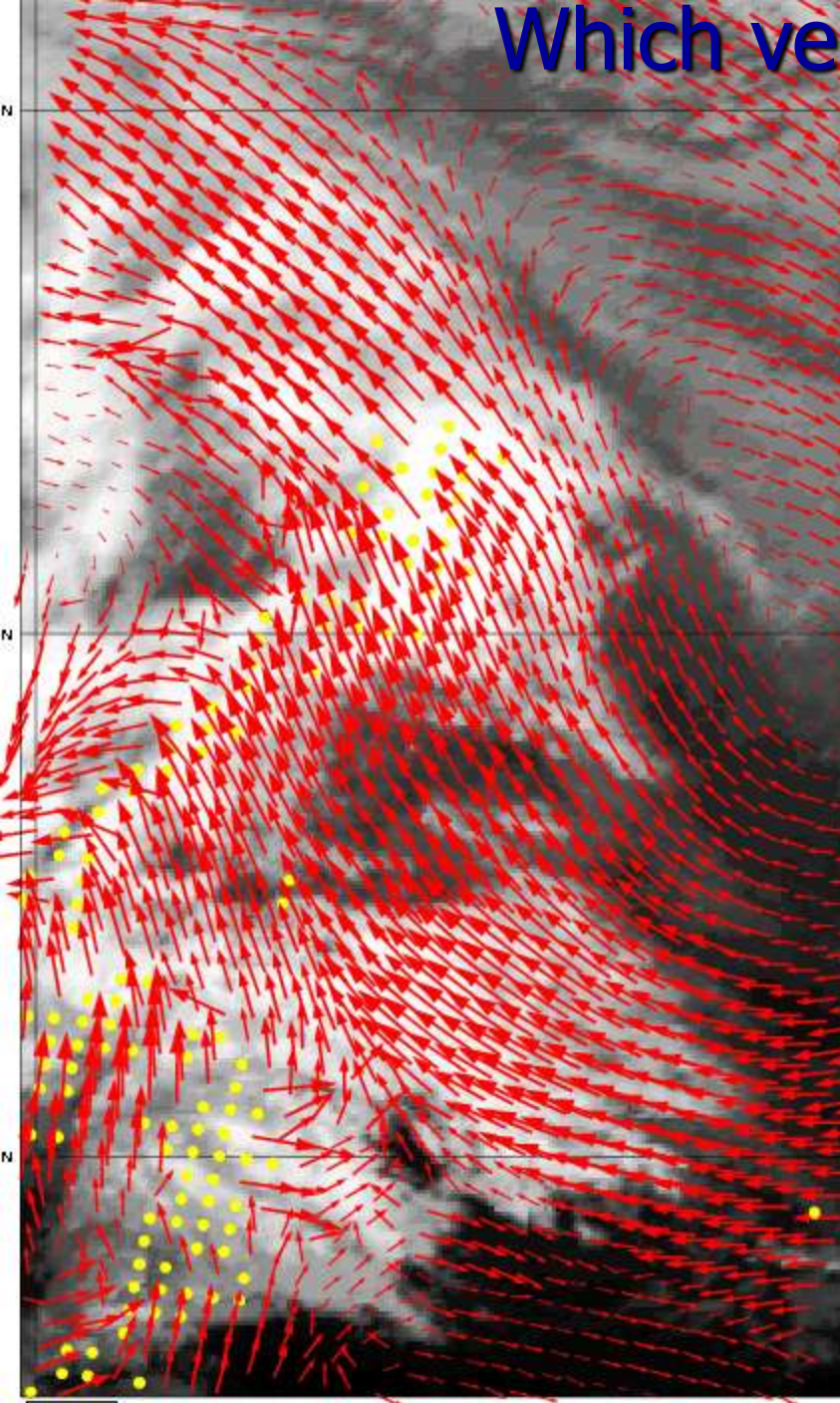
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- MyWave
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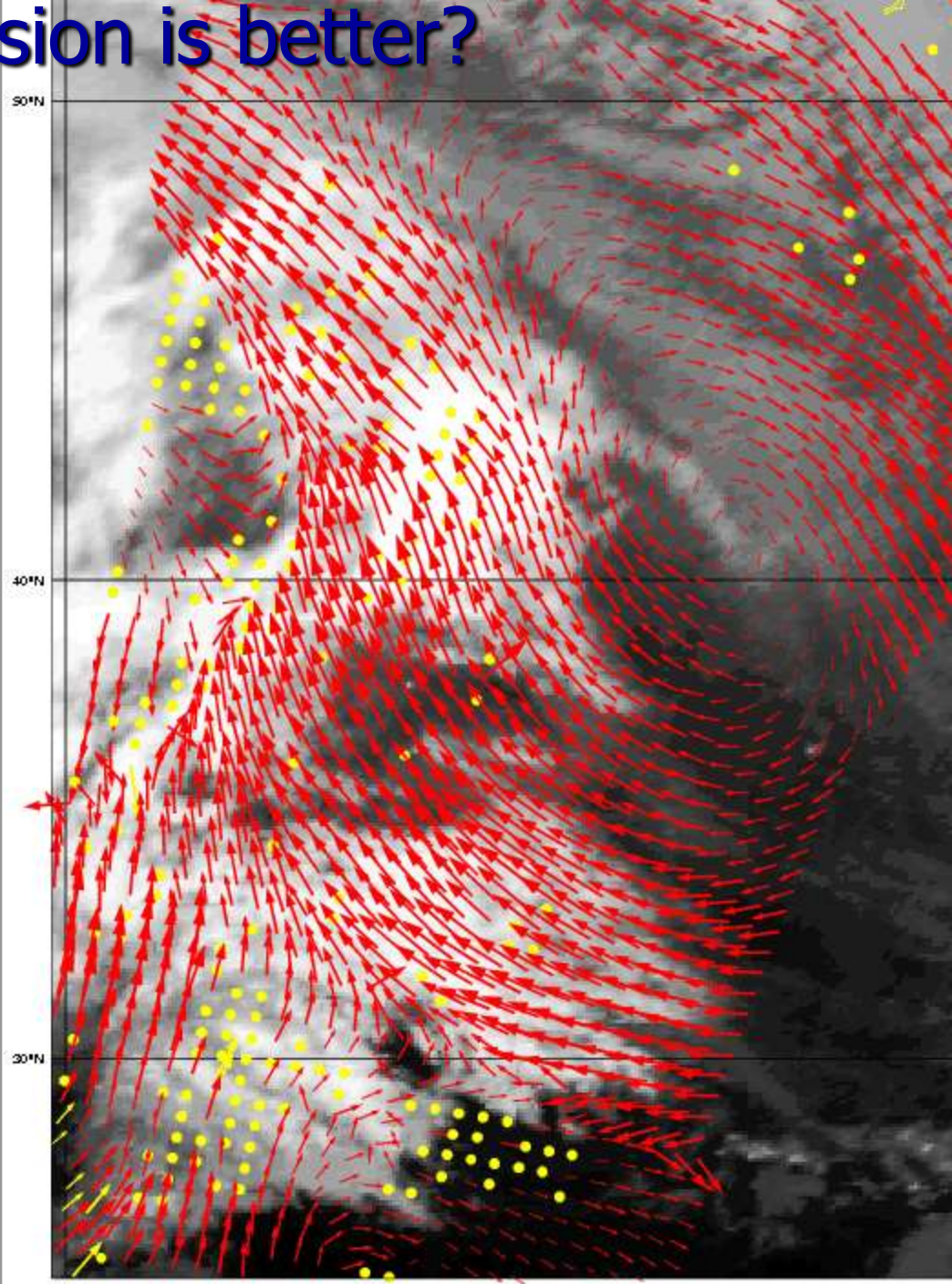
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Which version is better?

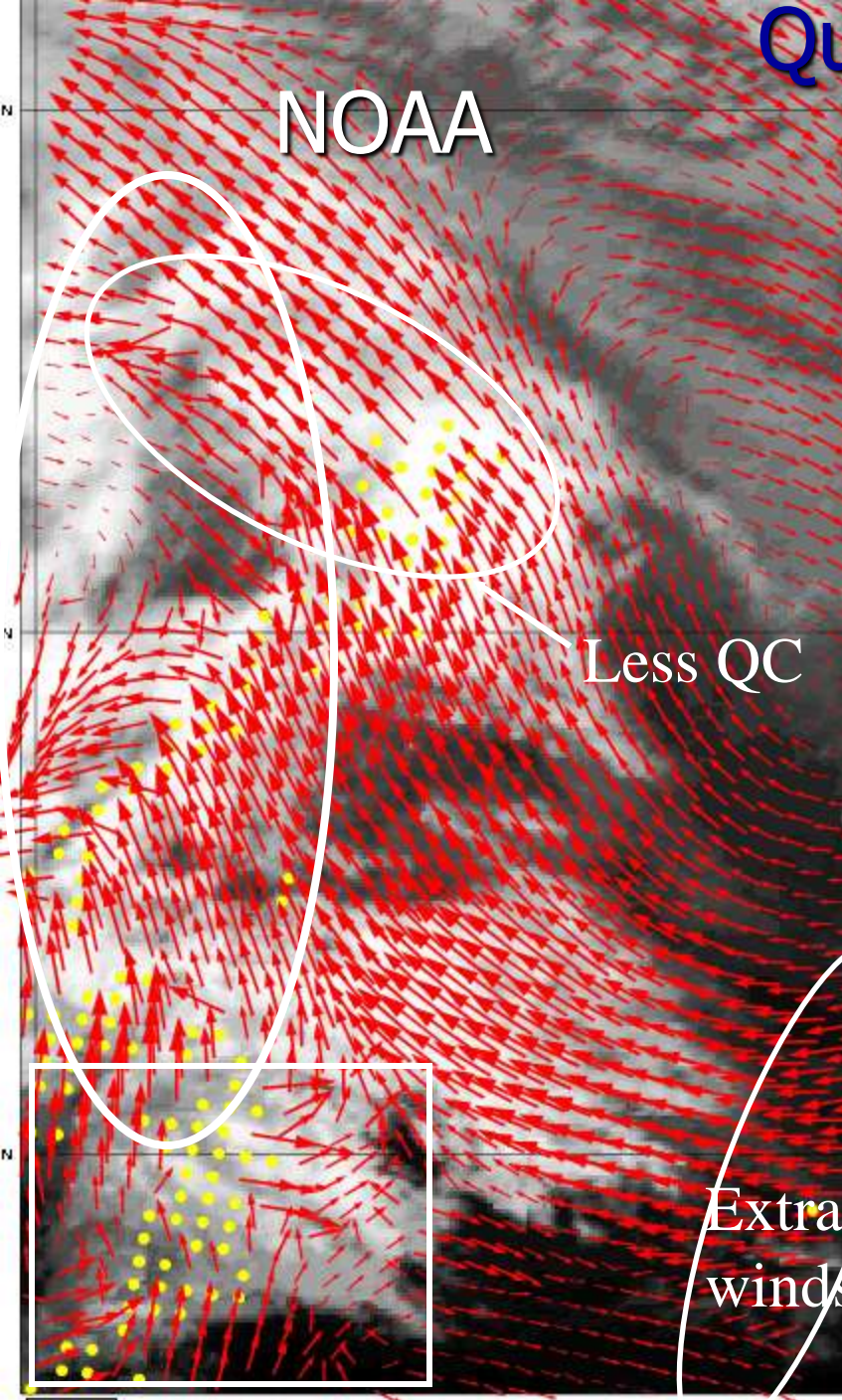


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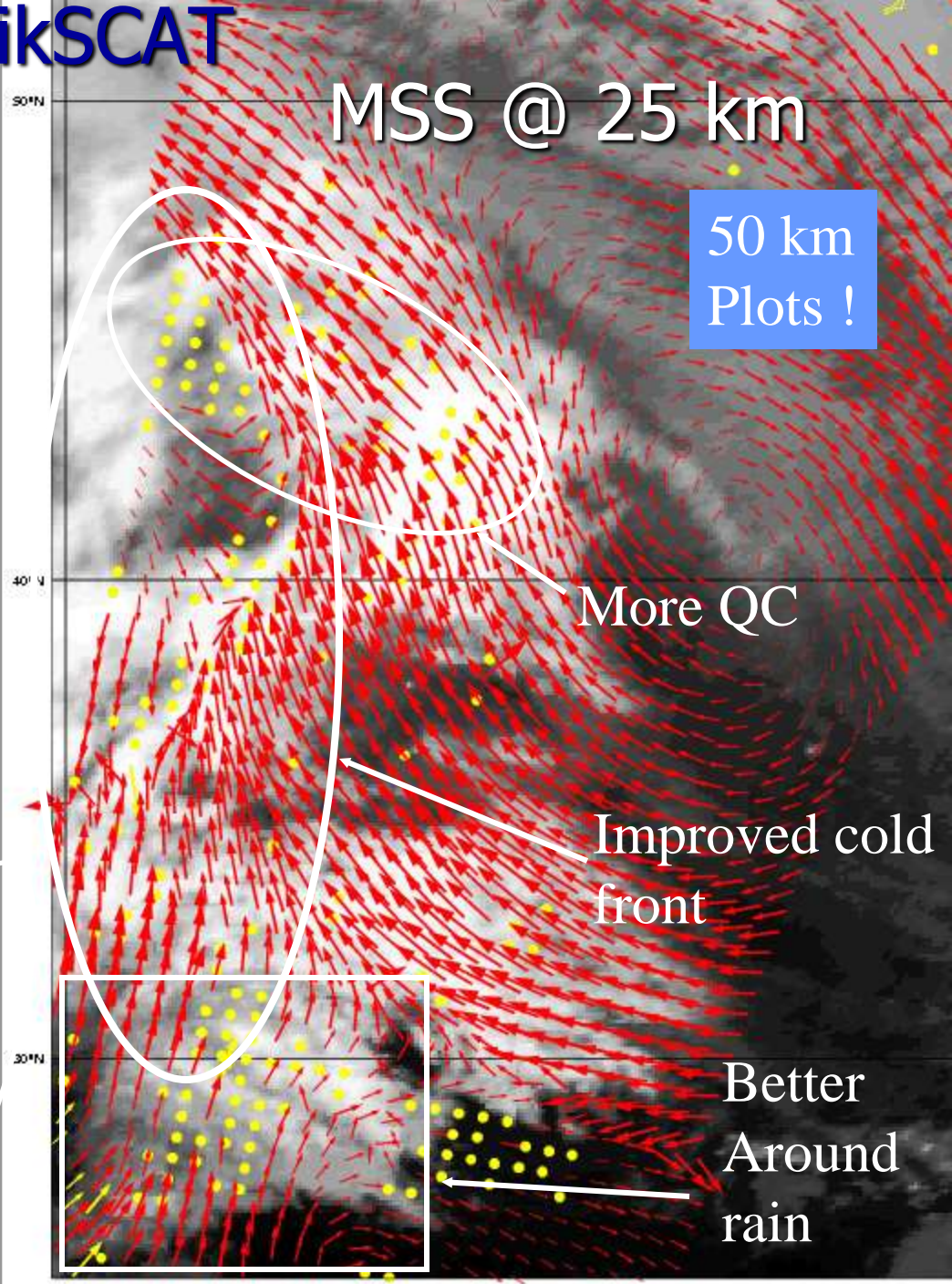


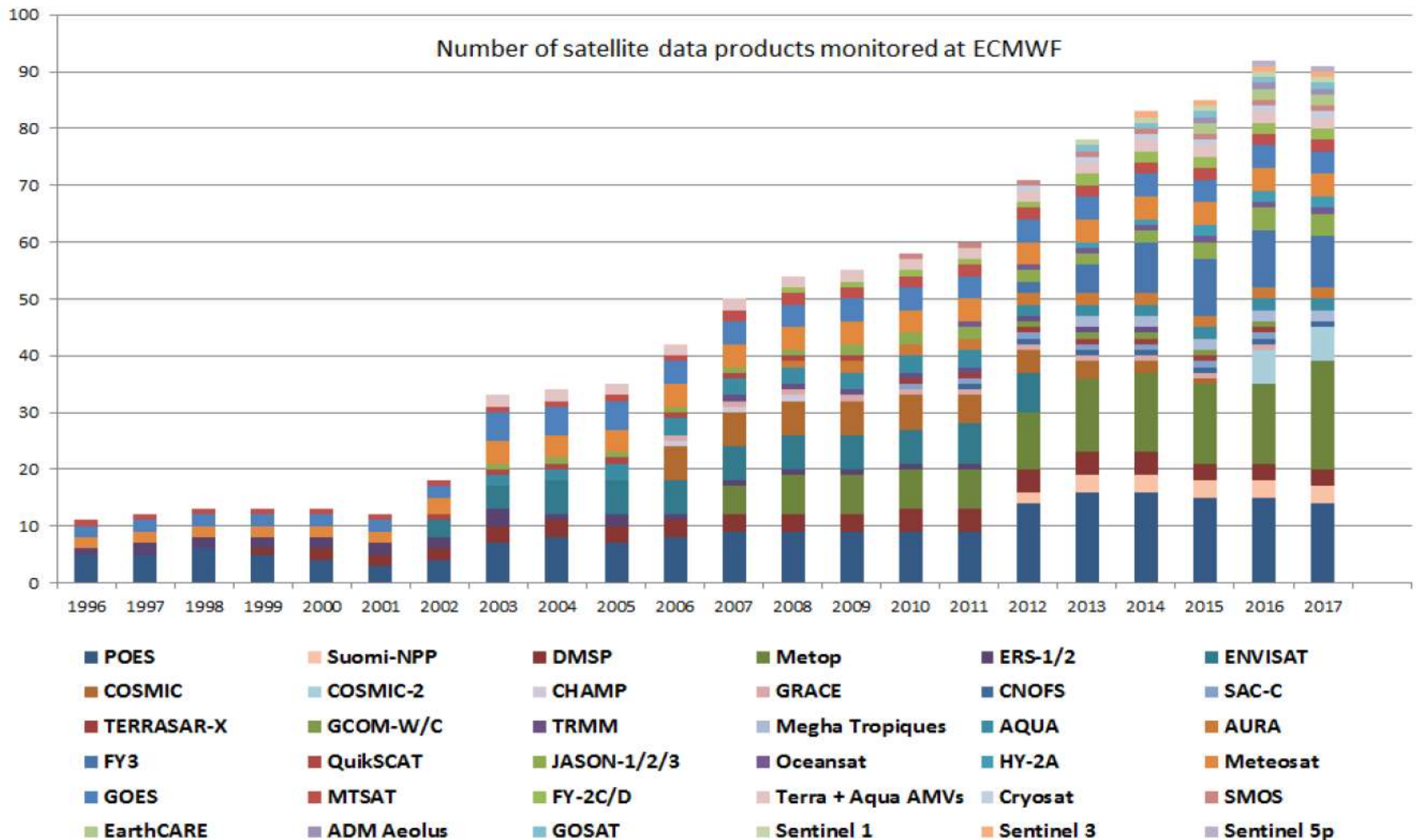
QuikSCAT

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MSS @ 25 km

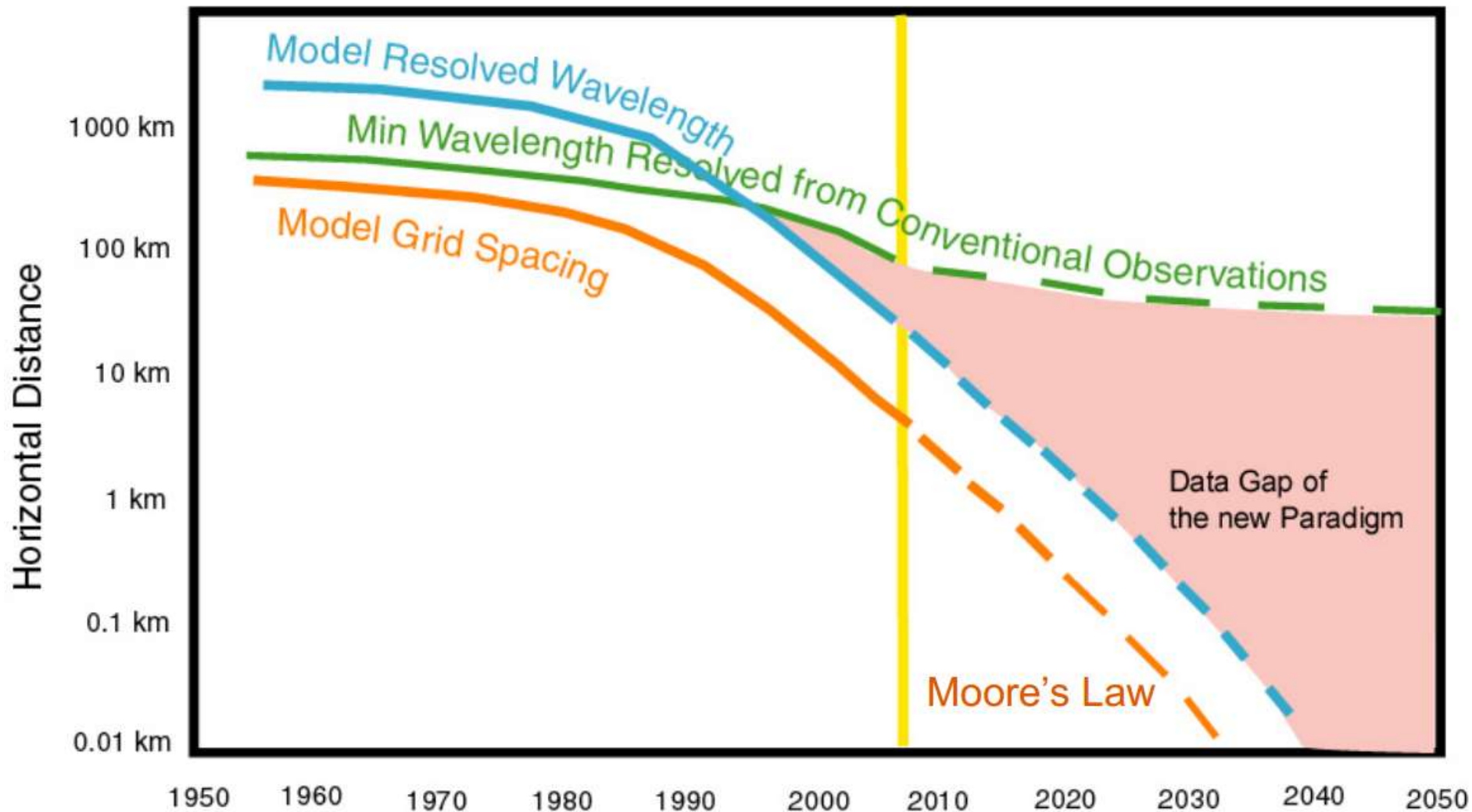




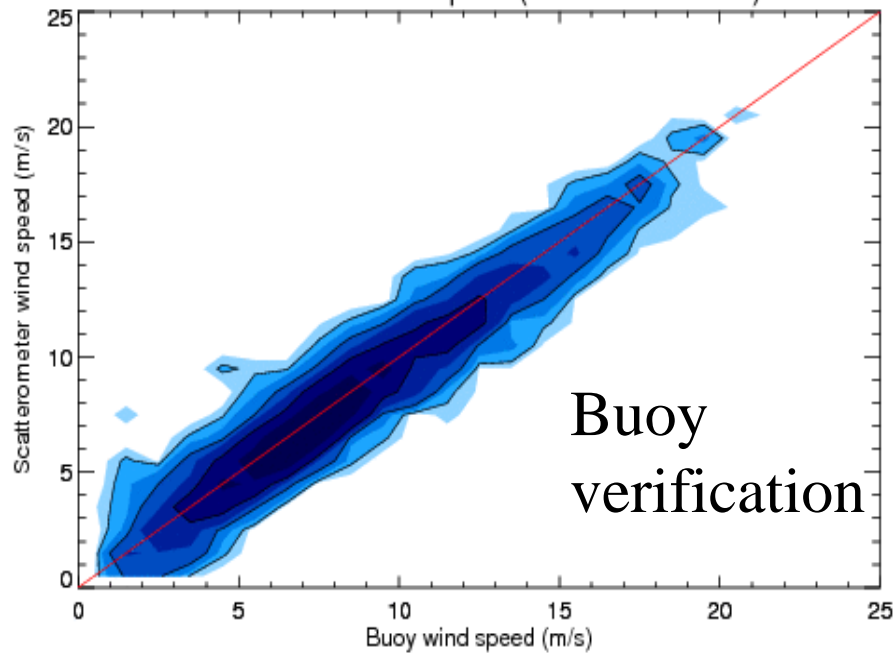
- Still new satellites with new instruments
- Are they all useful for nowcasting?
- What observations are needed ?



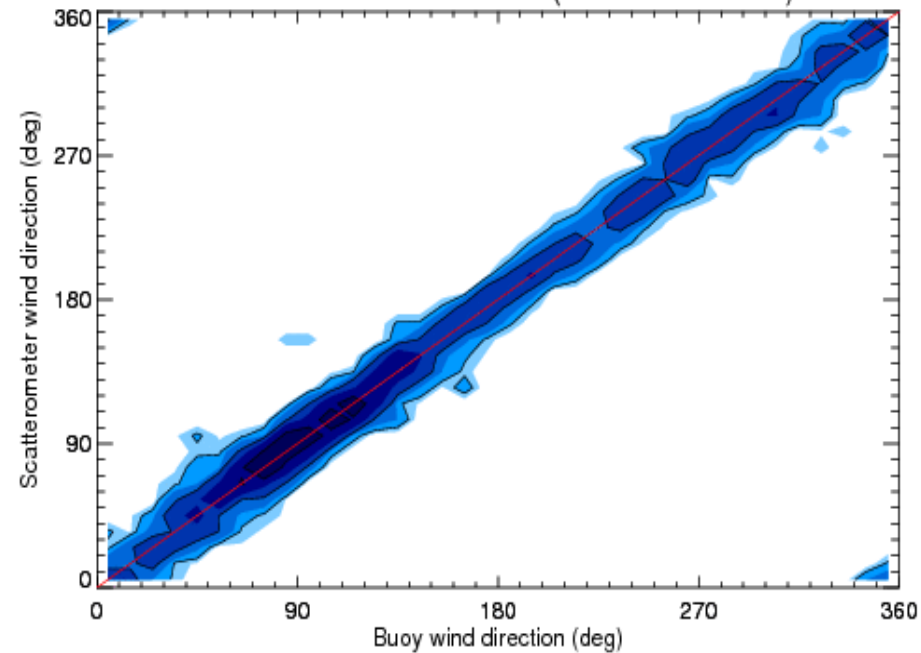
Can we still improve meteorology?



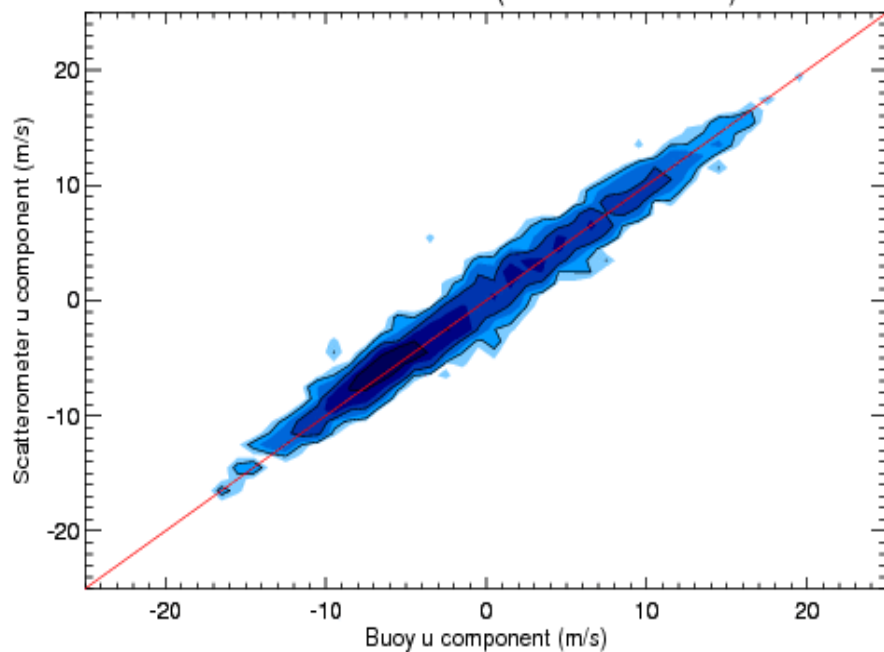
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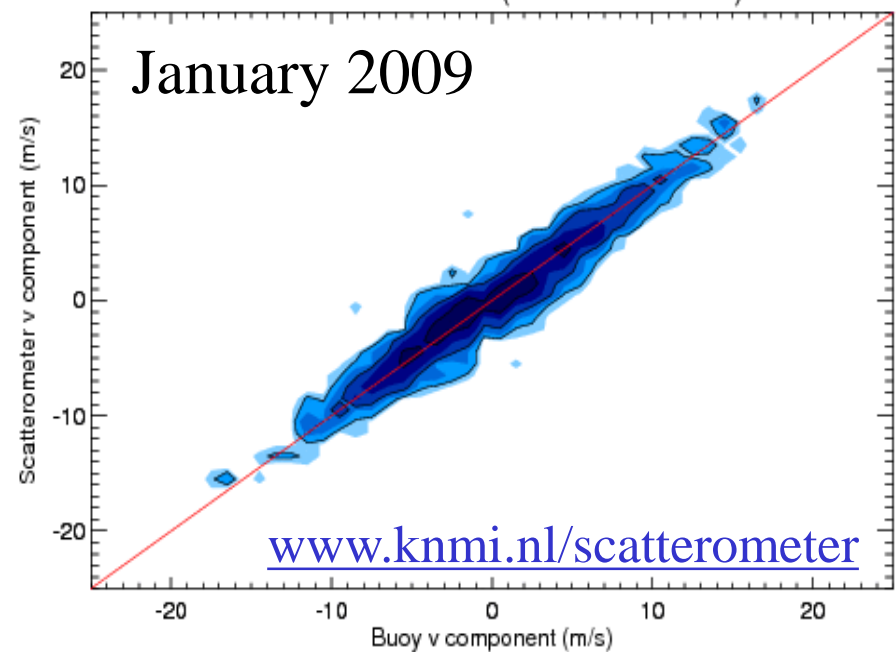
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Collocation result - u (2758 wind vectors)



Collocation result - v (2758 wind vectors)



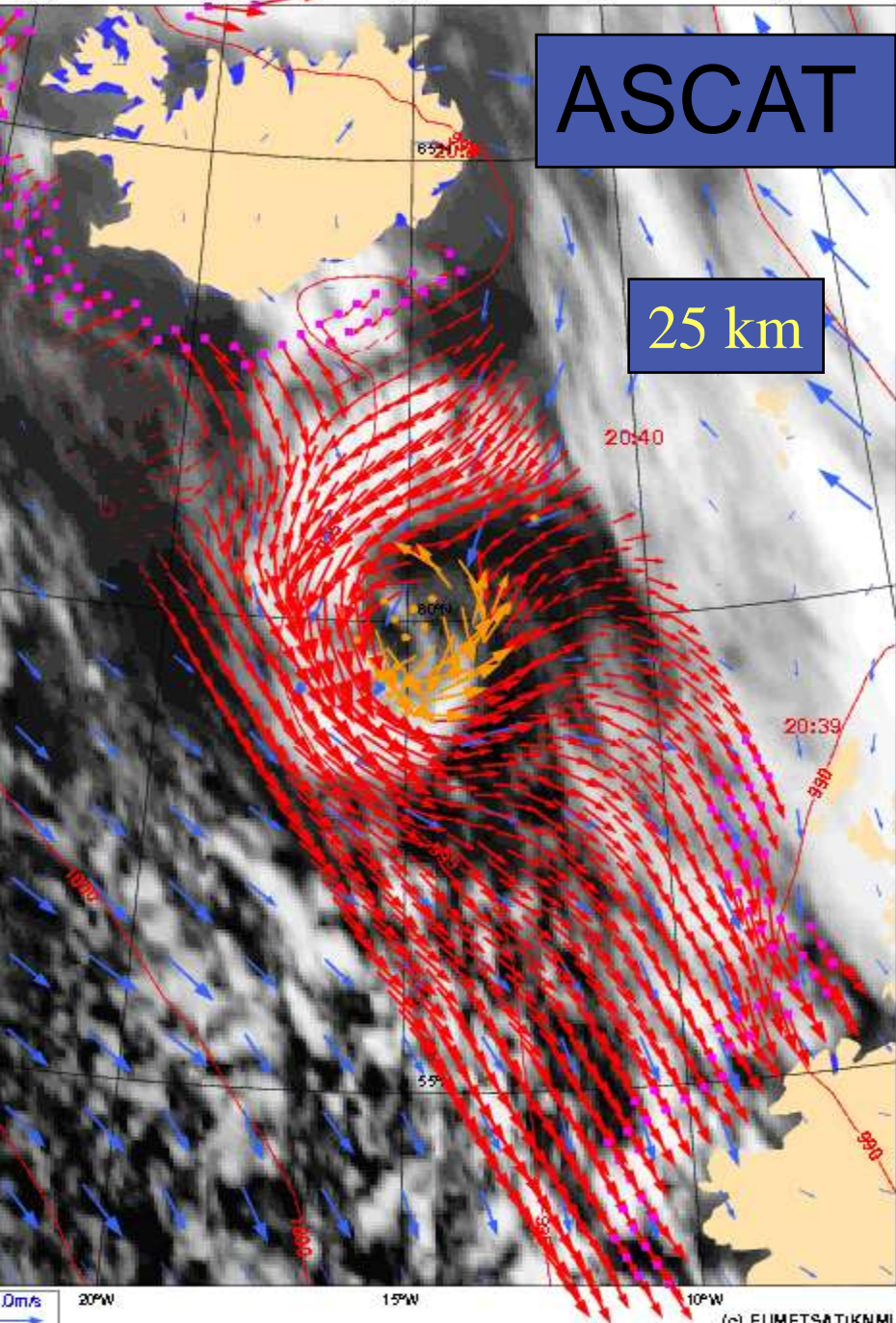
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www.knmi.nl/scatterometer

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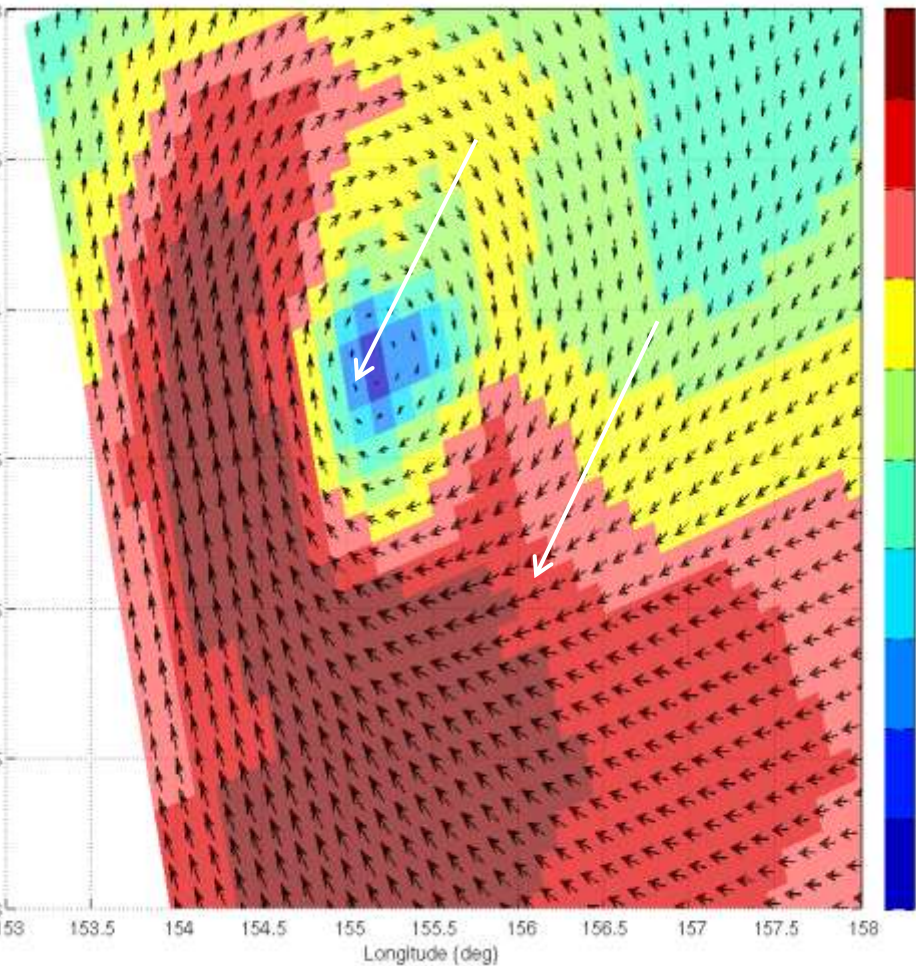
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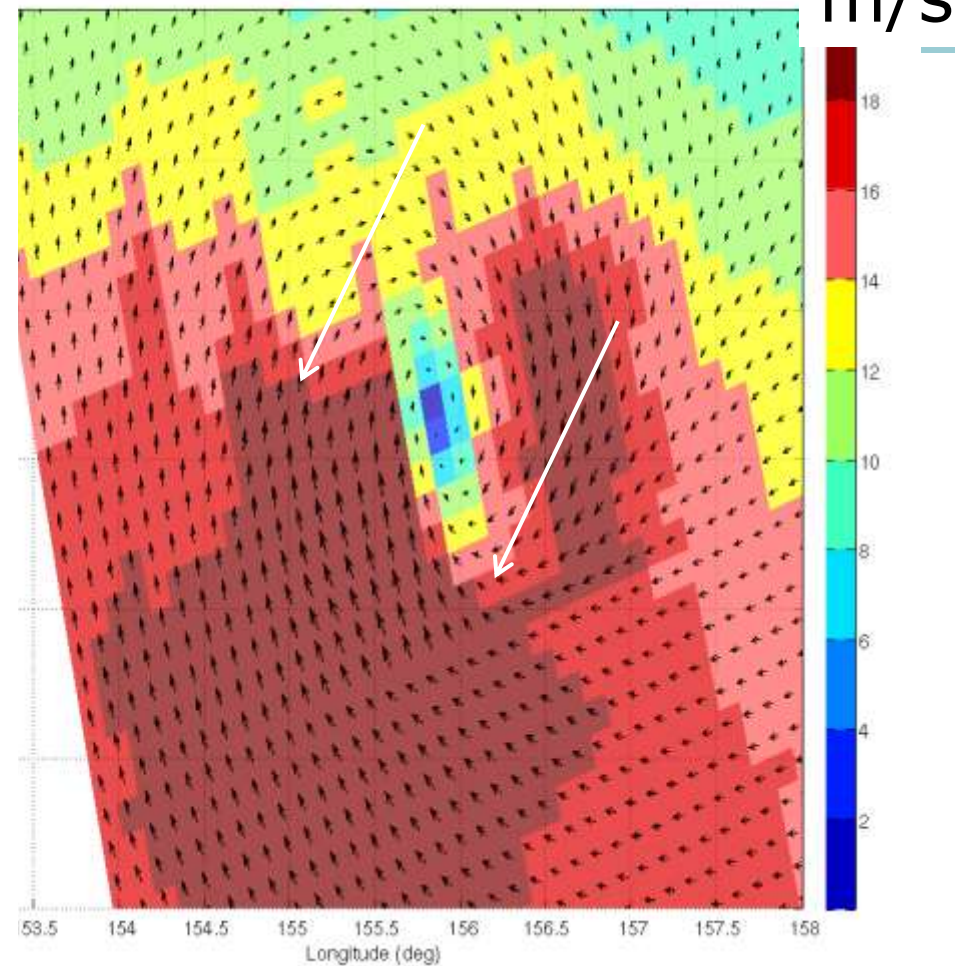


Cyclone SH, 2DVAR analyses



Default setting:

- Gaussian structure function
- Fixed O/B errors

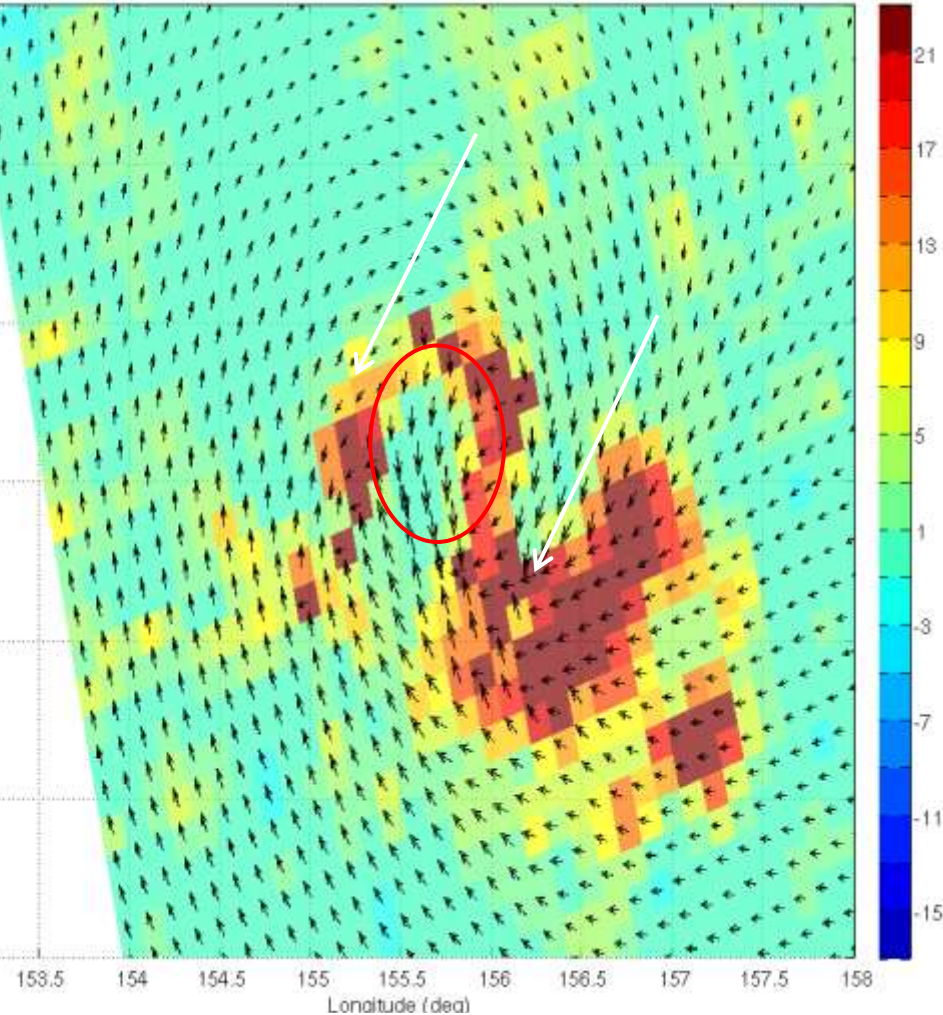


New setting:

- Empirical structure function
- Flexible O/B errors

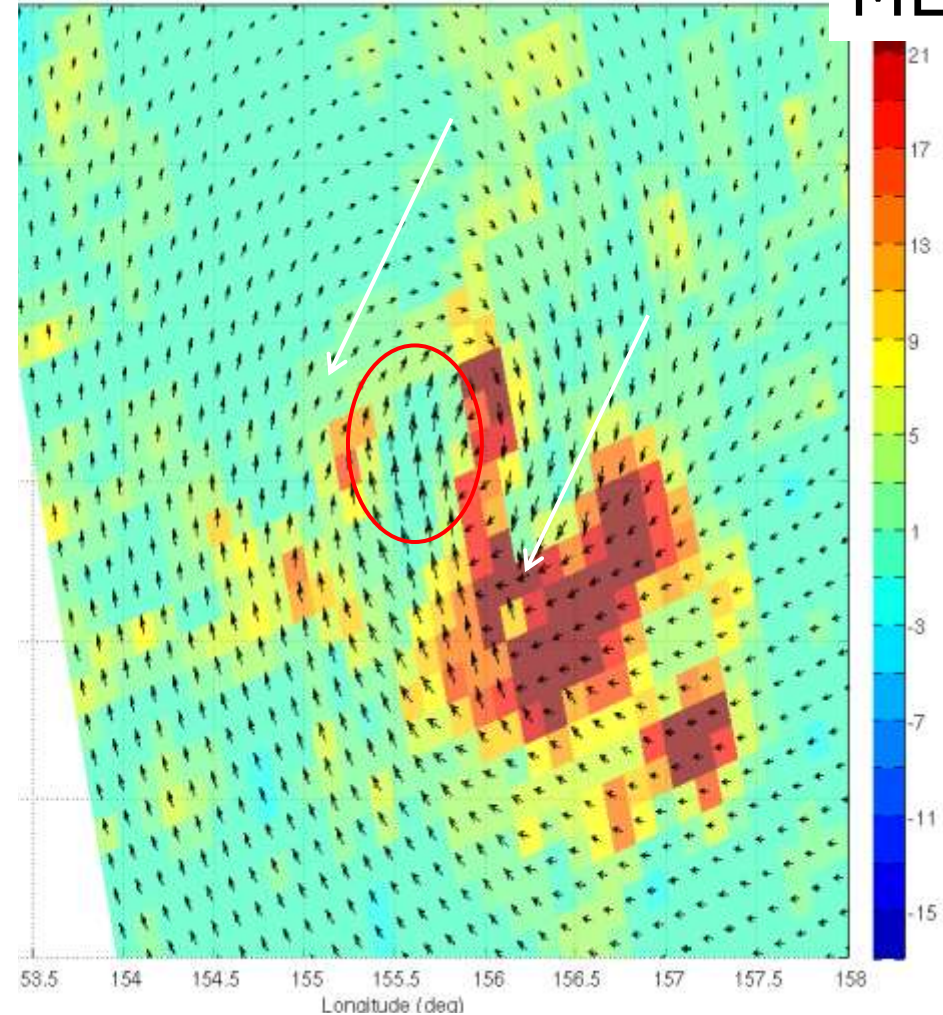
Cyclone SH, selected solutions

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Default setting:

- Gaussian structure function
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New setting:

- Empirical structure function
- Flexible O/B errors

Statistics

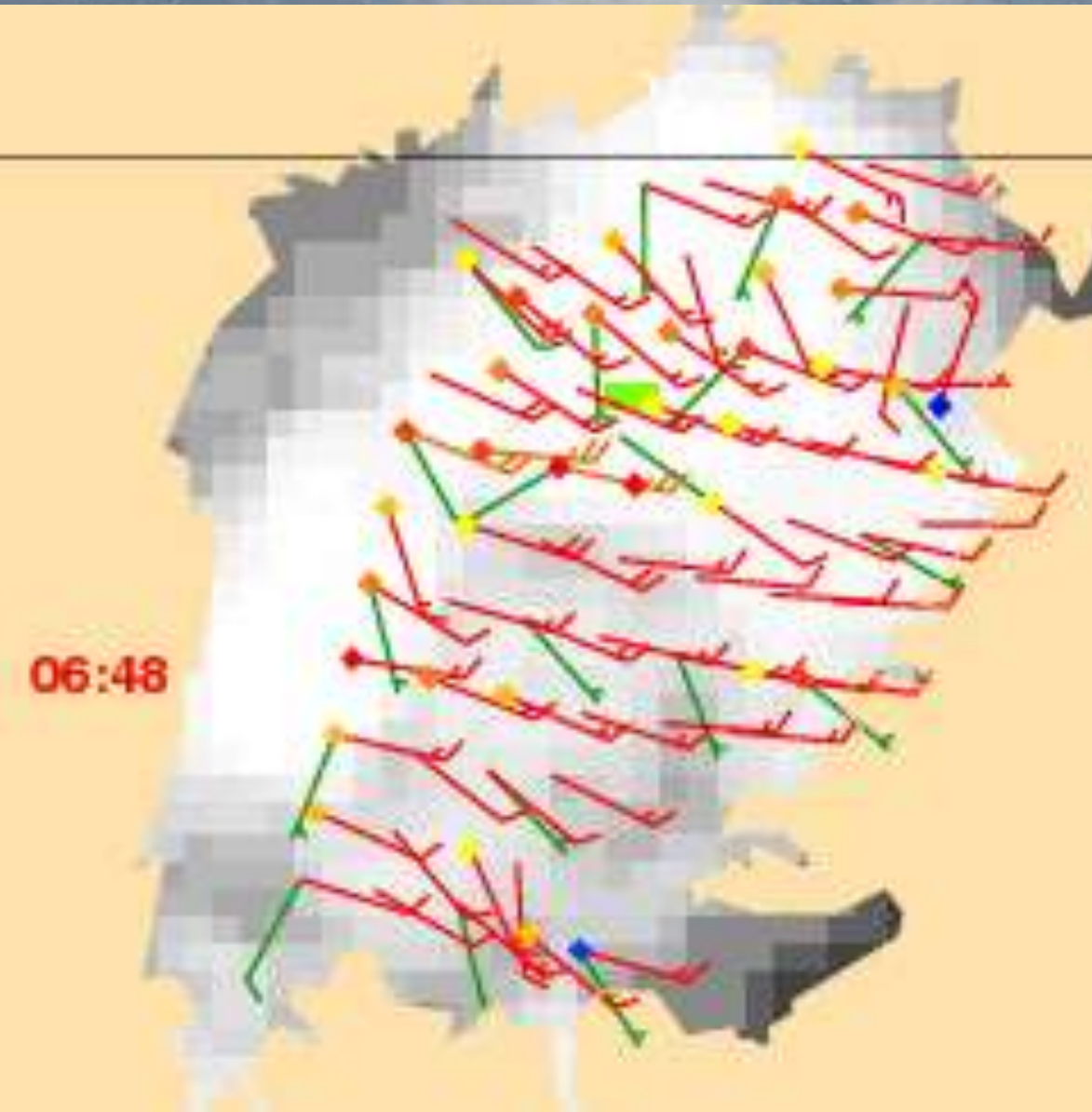
QC-ed 2-solution cases with $|MLE_1| < 1$

- New ASCAT winds fit buoys and ECMWF better
- New 2Dvar analysis fits ASCAT and buoys much better, but ECMWF worse

	ASCAT-ECMWF-buoy comparison (mean buoy winds)		
	ASCAT vs ECMWF	ASCAT vs buoy point wind	N
Default	2.19	1.74	5034
New	2.17	1.71	

	ASCAT-ECMWF-buoy comparison (mean buoy winds)			
	2DVAR vs ECMWF	2DVAR vs buoy point wind	2DVAR vs ASCAT	N
Default	1.85	1.94	1.17	5034
New	2.00	1.76	0.74	

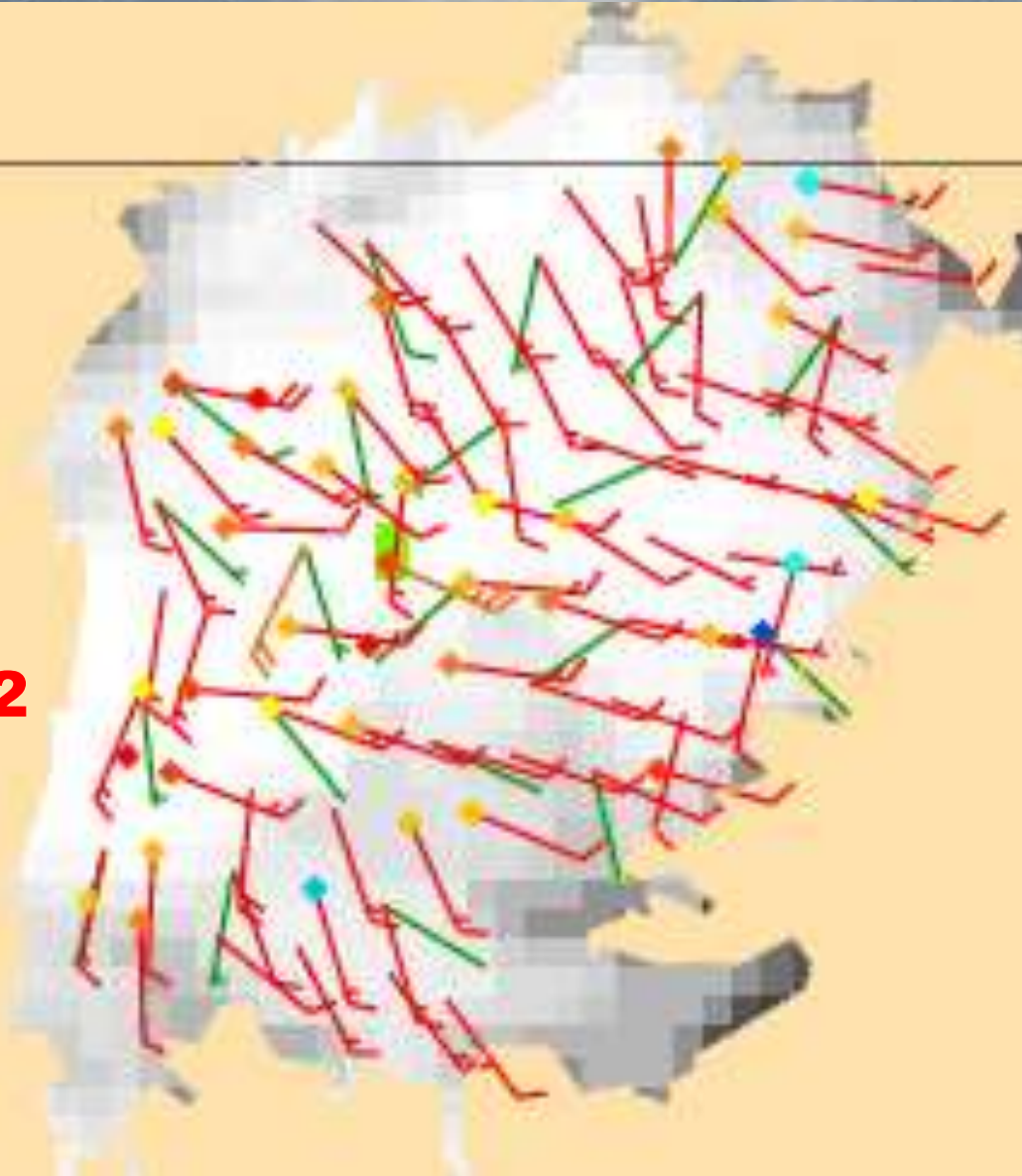
Lake Victoria



- 8 Dec 2016
- ASCAT-A
- Little wind in ECMWF (green)
- 25 knots in ASCAT (red)
- Moist convection

Lake Victoria

7:42



- 8 Dec 2016
- ASCAT-B, 50 min later
- Little wind in ECMWF (green)
- 25 knots in ASCAT (red)
- Moist convection
- Messy !

16 February 2014, near 0E, 3N

9:00

KNMI MSG rain

9:15

9:30

9:45

ASCAT

10:00

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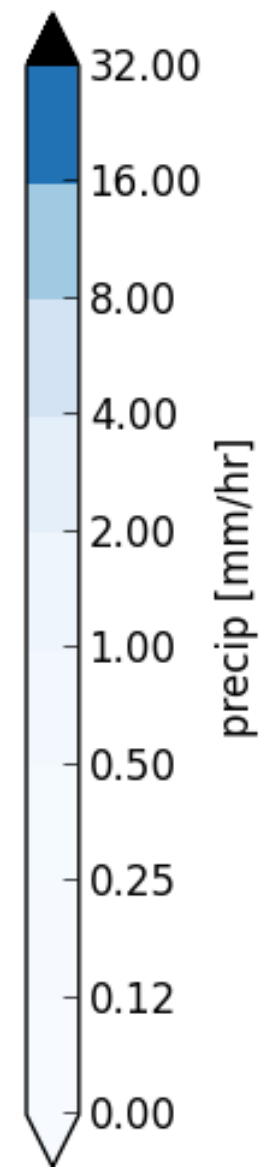
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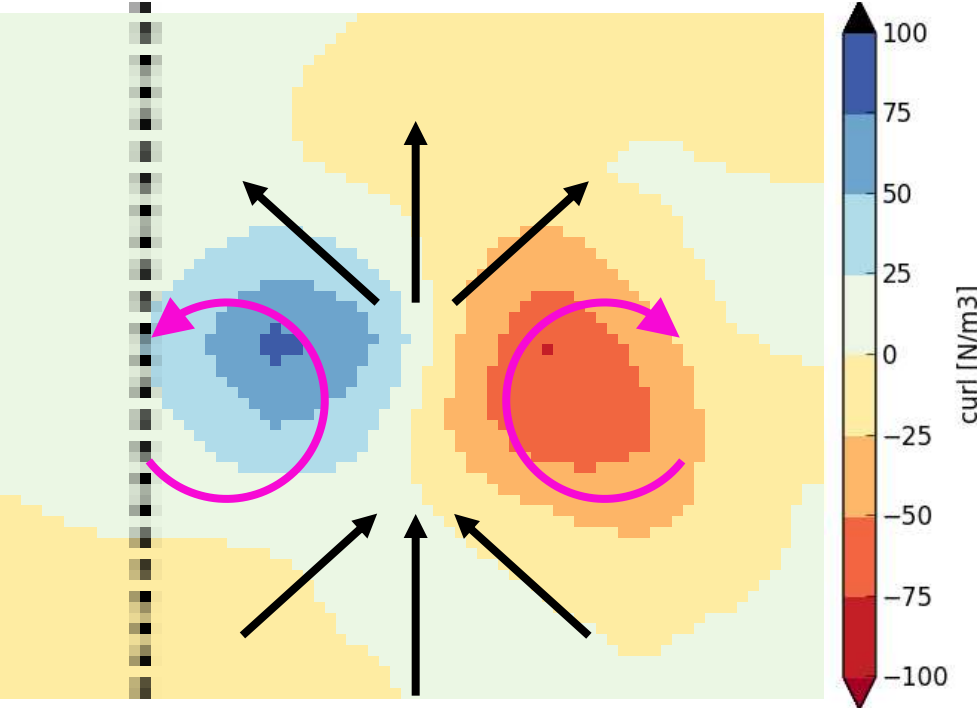
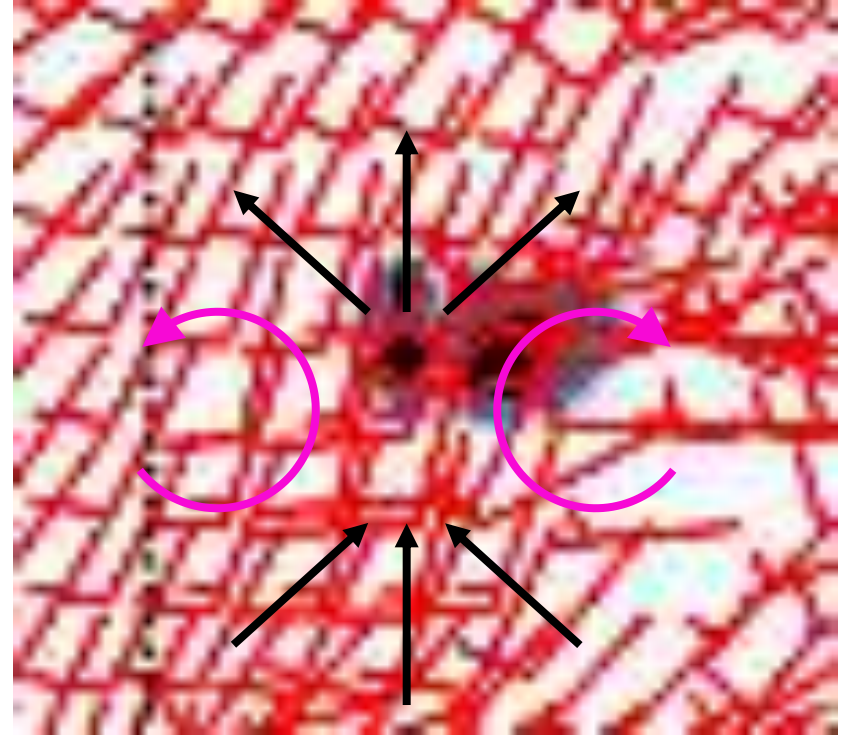
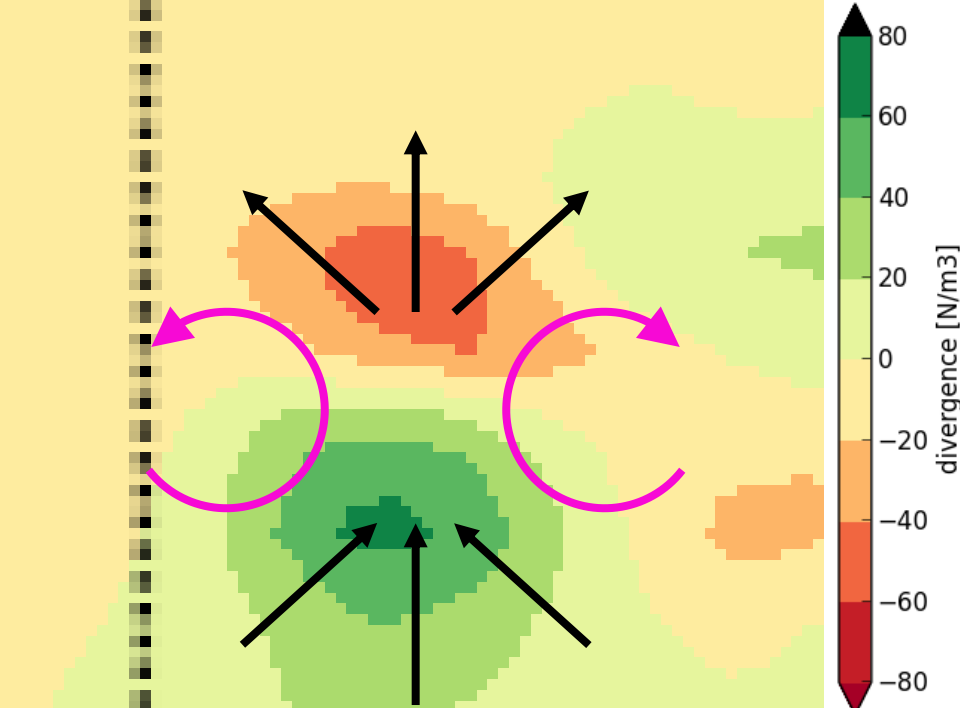
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- Convergence is well visible in ASCAT and precedes precip. by 30 minutes
- Divergence too but its peak coincides with rain peak
- Shear areas are also well visible in vorticity
- These patterns do not appear in global NWP