

GHRSSST-PP

*GODAE High Resolution Sea Surface Temperature
Pilot Project*

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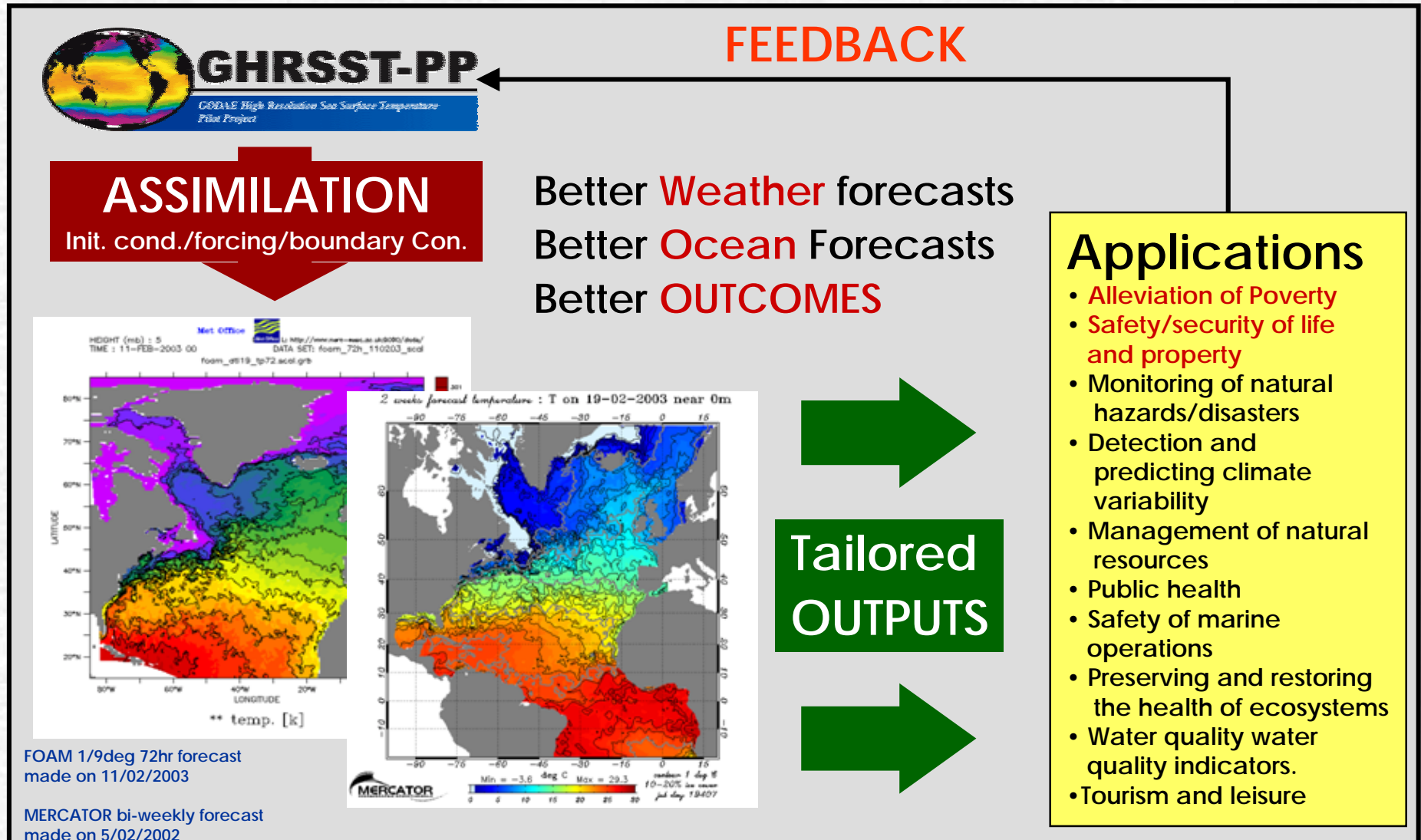
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GODAE and the GHRSSST-PP



From the Gulf of Mexico after hurricane Lilly, Sept. 2002

Karin Magnussen, Met.No.



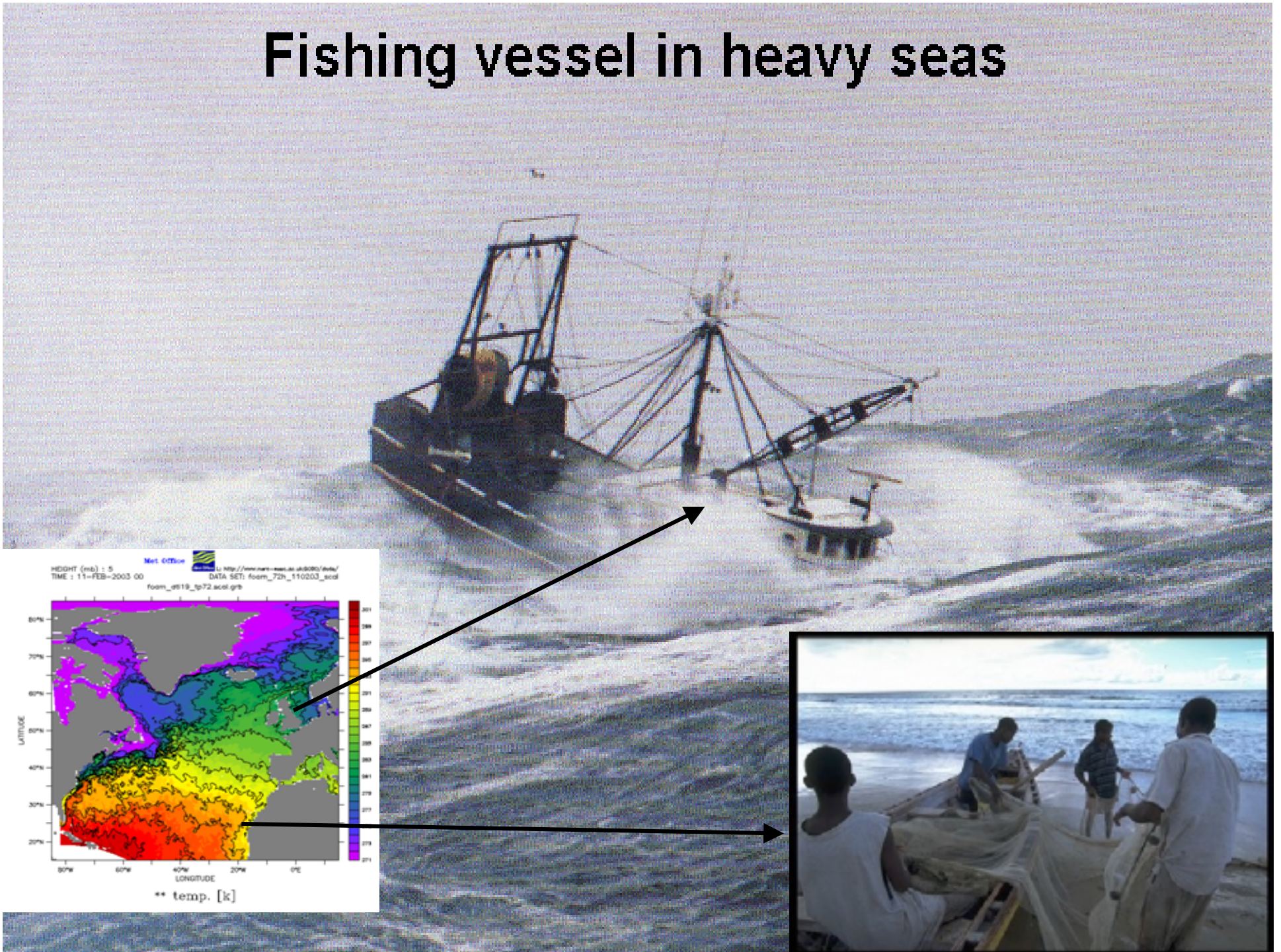
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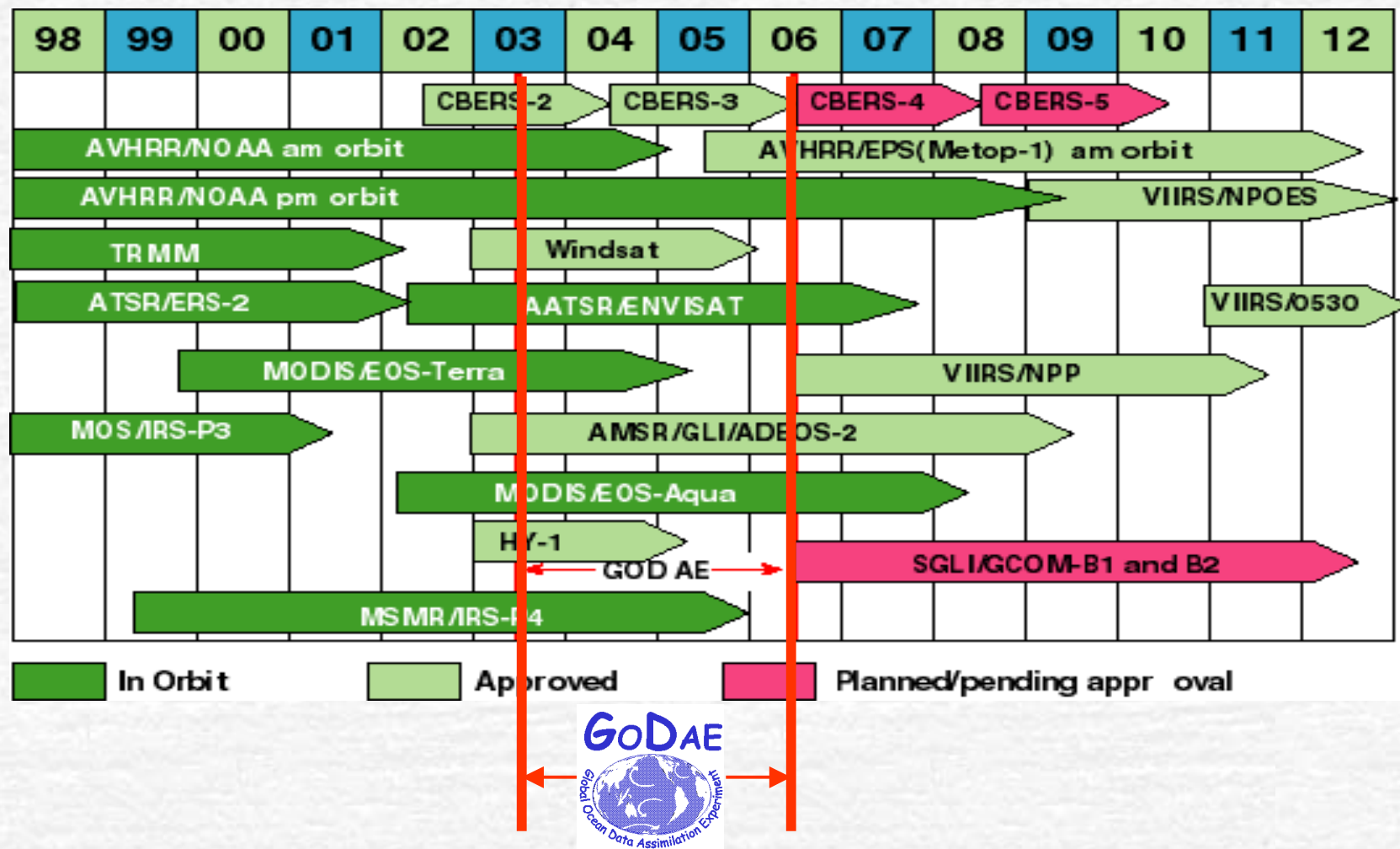


Maersk Carolina after "meeting a storm South of Grand Banks", 24. January 2003 - 130 containers fell into the sea (Karin Magnussen, met.no)

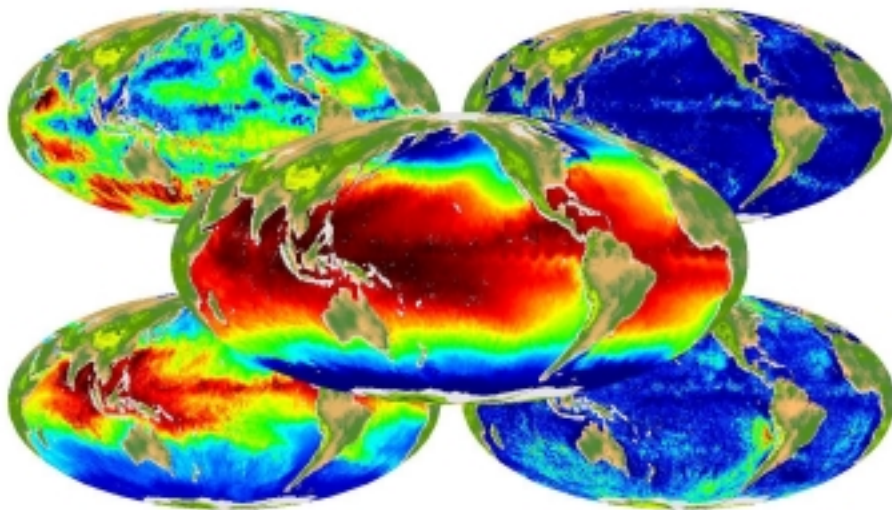
Fishing vessel in heavy seas



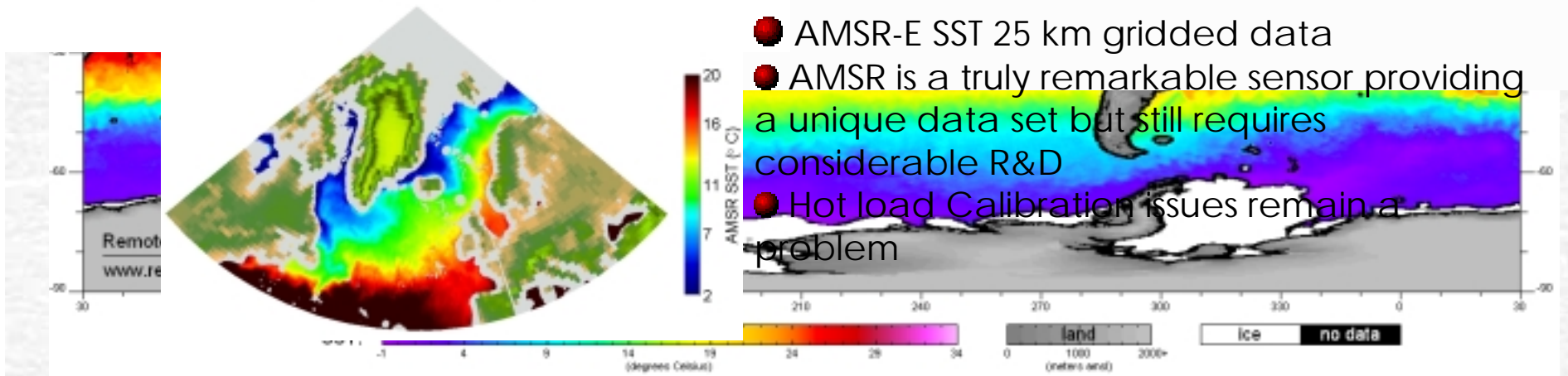
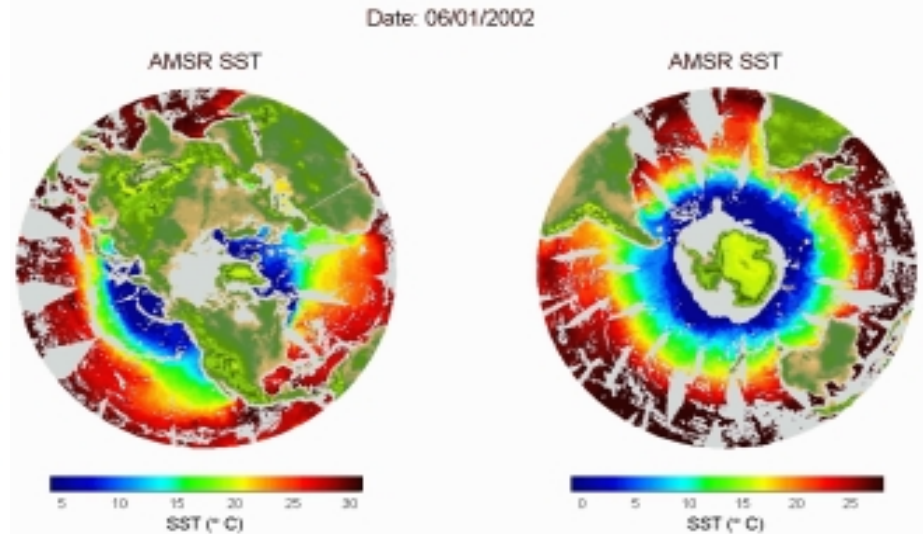
This IS the “Golden Age” for satellite SST



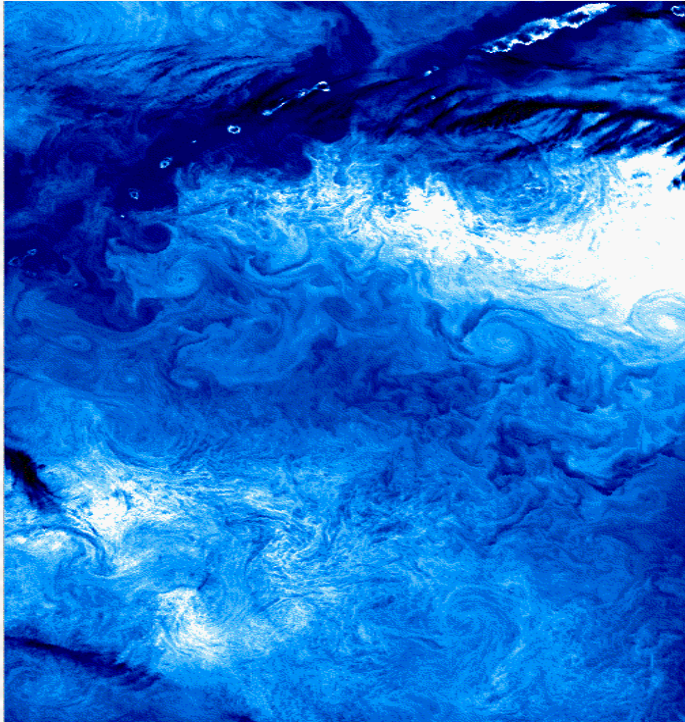
A revolution: AMSR-E and ~~AMSR~~ SST



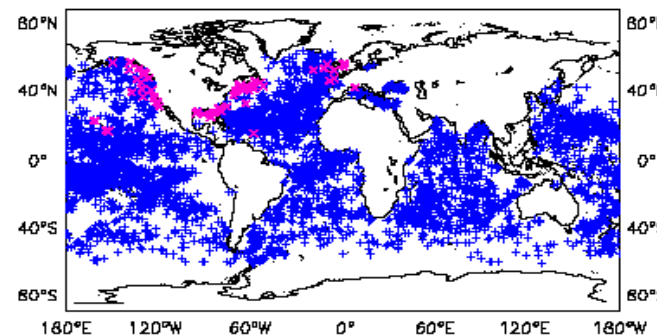
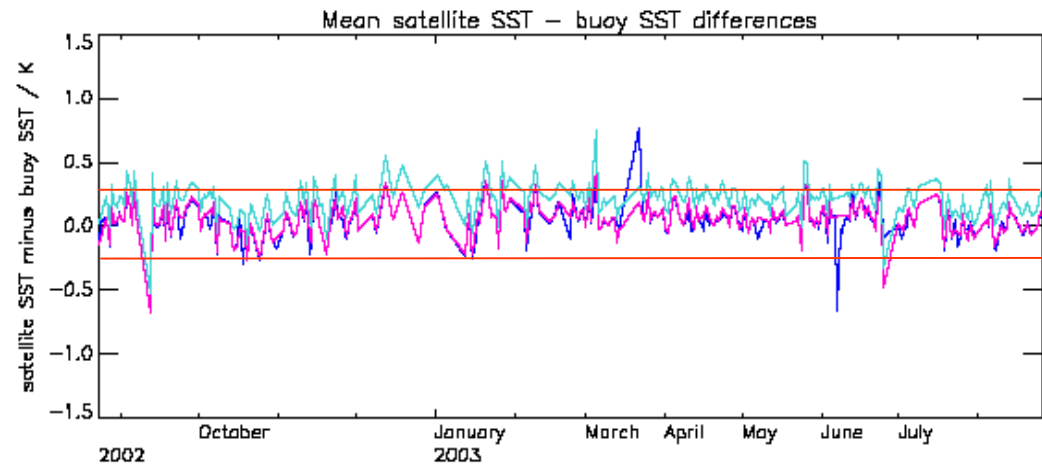
AMSR SST Date: 07/17/2002



IR sensors: High spatial and radiometric resolution (AATSR)



AATSR Eastern tip of Arabian peninsula © ESA



**Means for period
Aug 02 – Aug 03:**

all: 0.05 K (σ 0.41 K)

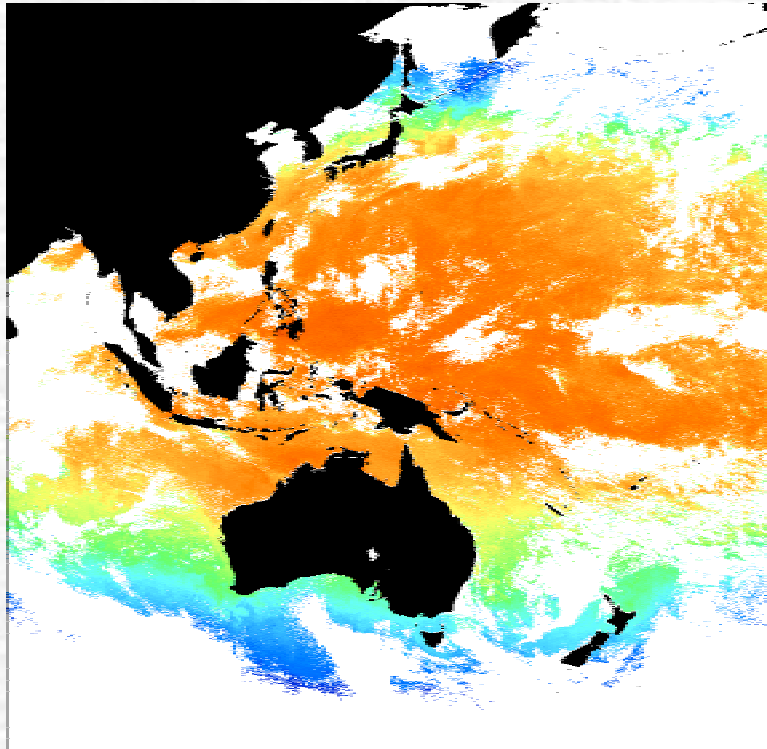
night: 0.07 K (σ 0.35 K)

day: 0.03 K (σ 0.46 K)

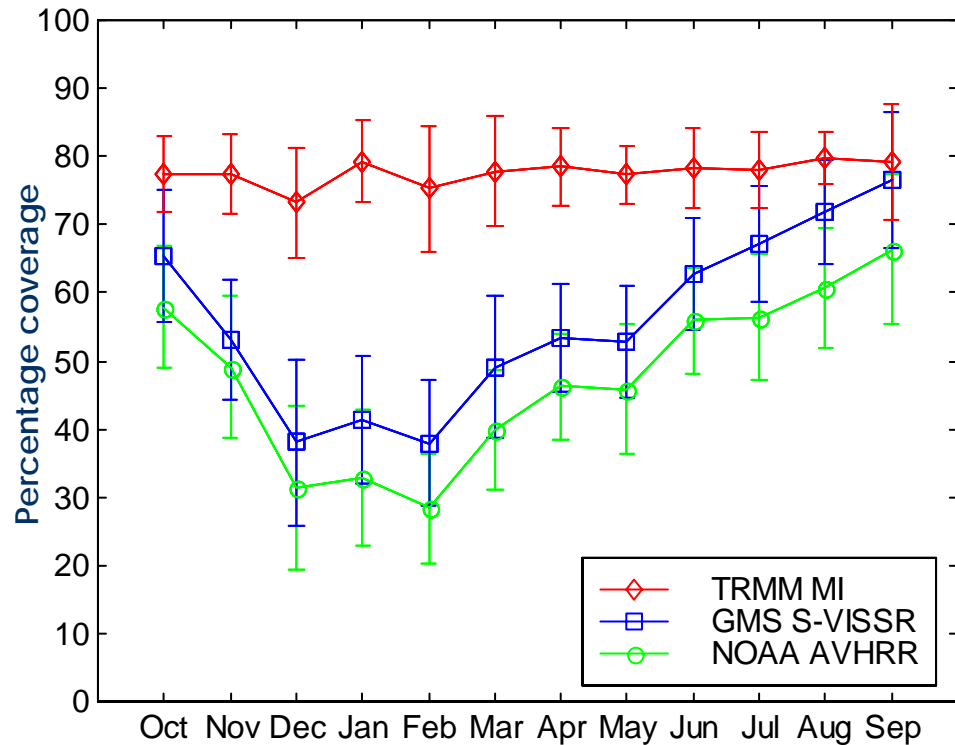


- Ⓢ High radiometric accuracy and fidelity (A. O'Carroll)
- Ⓢ Daily global coverage But a major problem with cloud
 - Persistent in particular regions and seasons
 - e.g., GMS footprint over Japan RDAC area

Temporal sampling bias



GMS VISSR SST Japan (H. Kawamura)



(Figure: L. Guan)

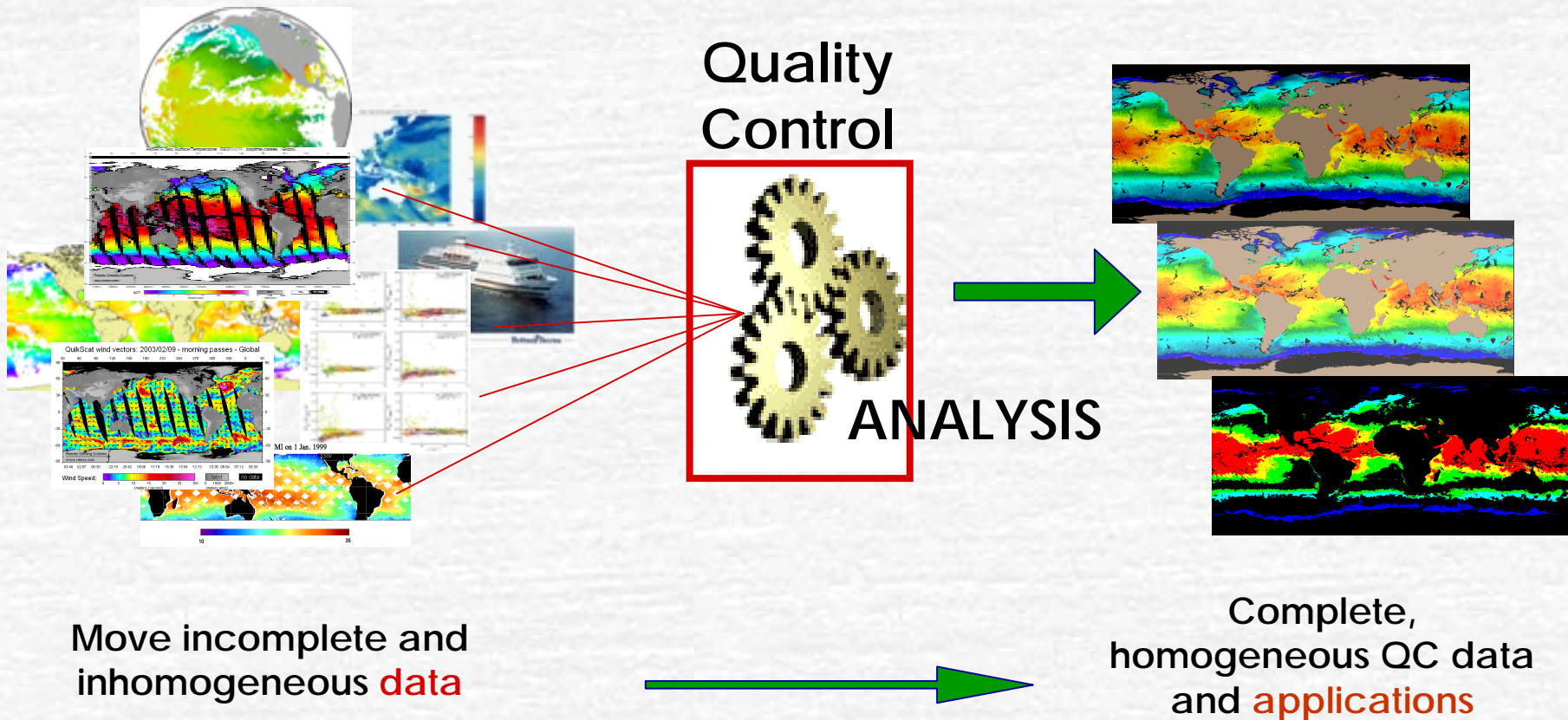
- Only Microwave SST provides temporally unbiased sample as the IR data are obscured by seasonal clouds

The GHRSSST-PP

- ④ GODAE requires **global high-resolution sea surface temperature** in near real-time for assimilation into ocean models.
- ④ **Satellite observations** provide the only data stream that can satisfy this requirement
- ④ The major challenge is to quantify the **errors due to uncertainty** in:
 - Atmospheric transmission models
 - not considered directly as we are dealing with L2 data sets
 - **Cloud contamination** in IR data sets
 - **Rain/RF contamination** in microwave SST
 - Atmospheric **aerosol contamination**
 - **Sea Ice** extent and SST in the marginal ice zone
 - **Diurnal variability** (including alias)
 - Satellite and in situ **instrument stability** and **calibration**
 - The **interpretation** of in situ SST relative to the skin and sub-skin measurements provided by satellites.

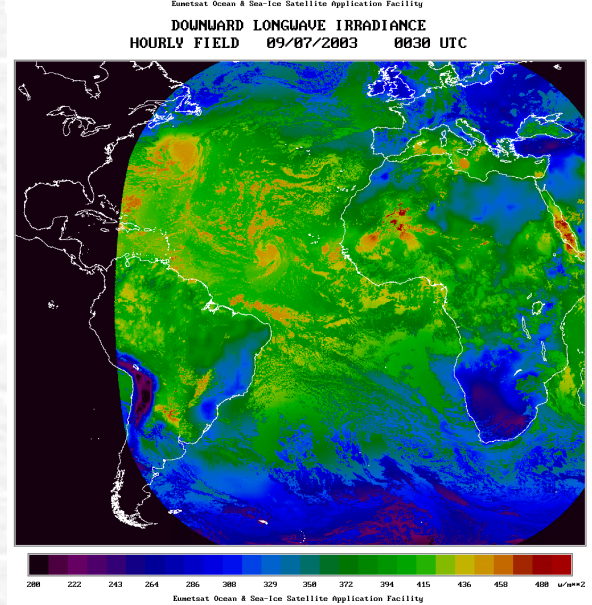
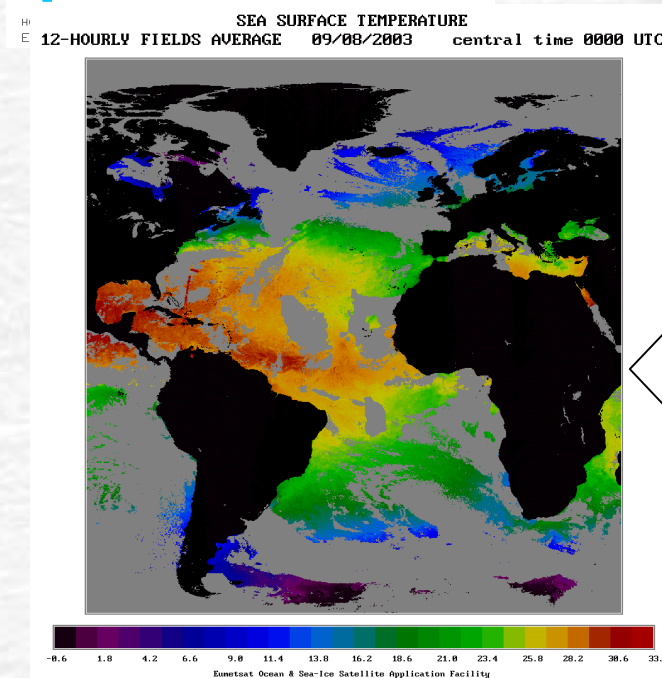
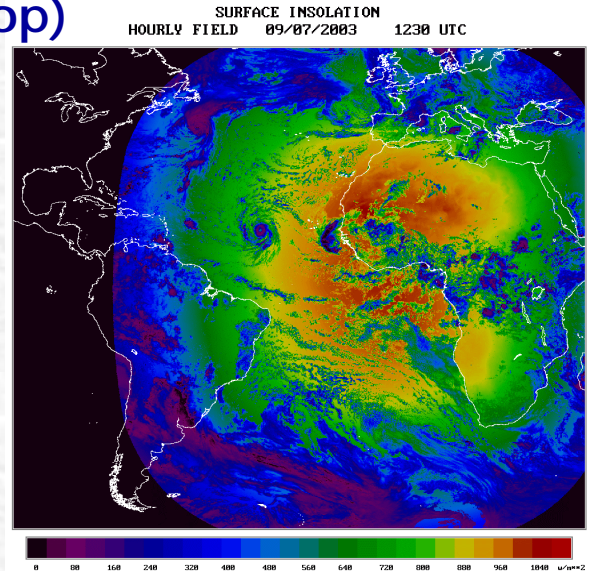
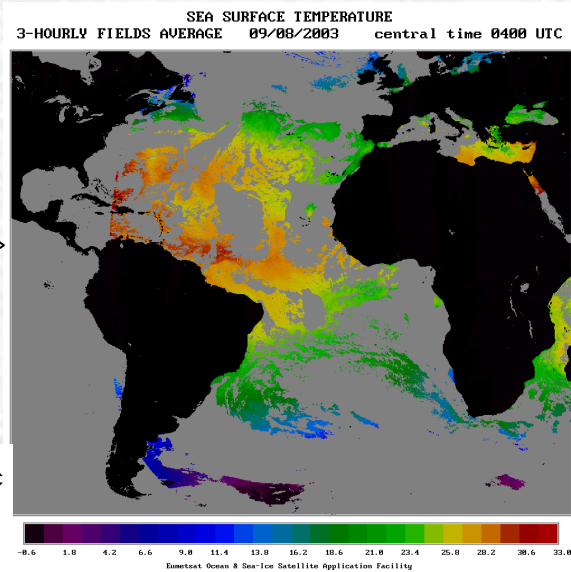
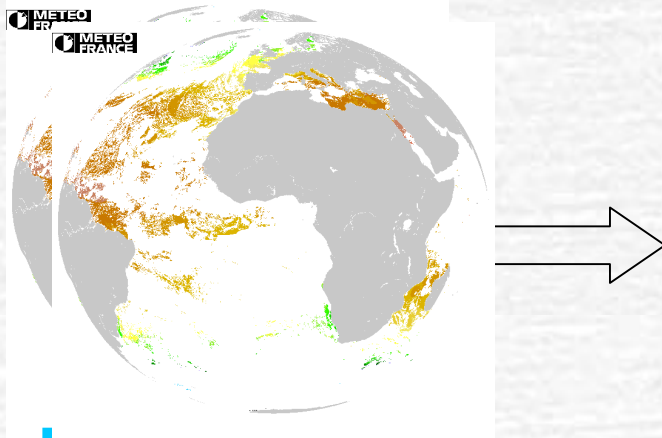
The GHRSSST-PP Concept

- ④ In principle, the **merging and analysis** of complementary satellite and in situ measurements can deliver SST products with enhanced accuracy, spatial and temporal coverage.
- ④ Emphasis on **synergy benefits**

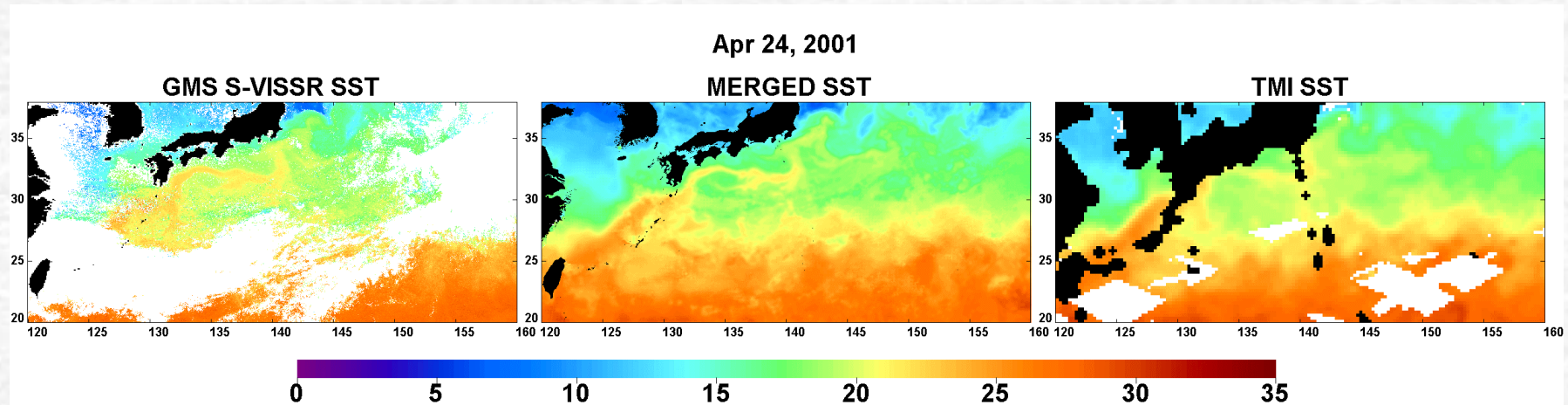


MSG SEVIRI: Operational SST, SSI and DLI

(P.LeBorgne, 4th GHRSS-PP Workshop)



New Generation Sea Surface Temperature v1.0: example



(H. Kawamura)

High-resolution Cloud-free Daily SST Products
5-km spatial and 24-hour temporal resolution

<http://www.ocean.caos.tohoku.ac.jp>

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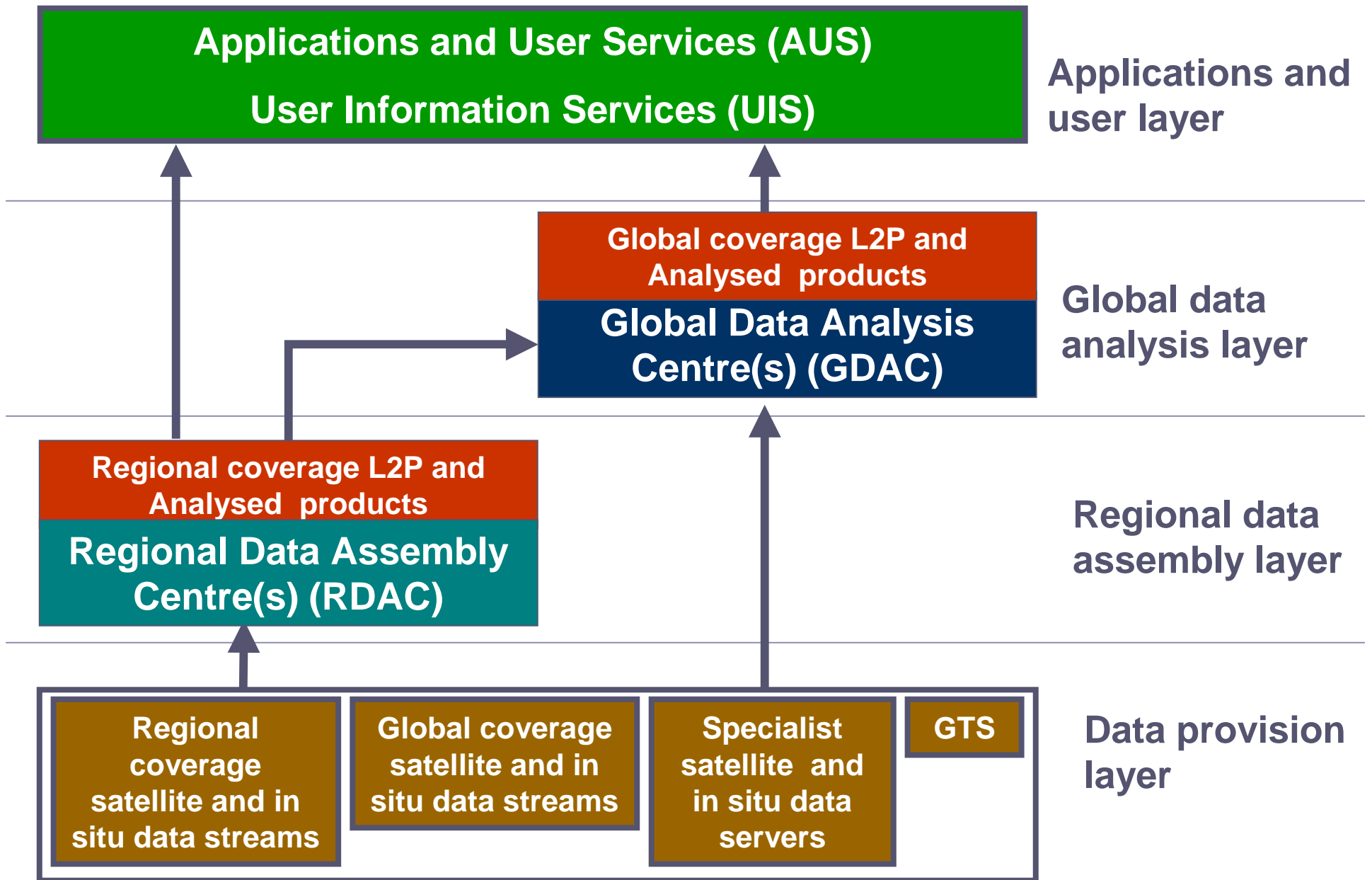
The GHRST-PP Development and Implementation Framework

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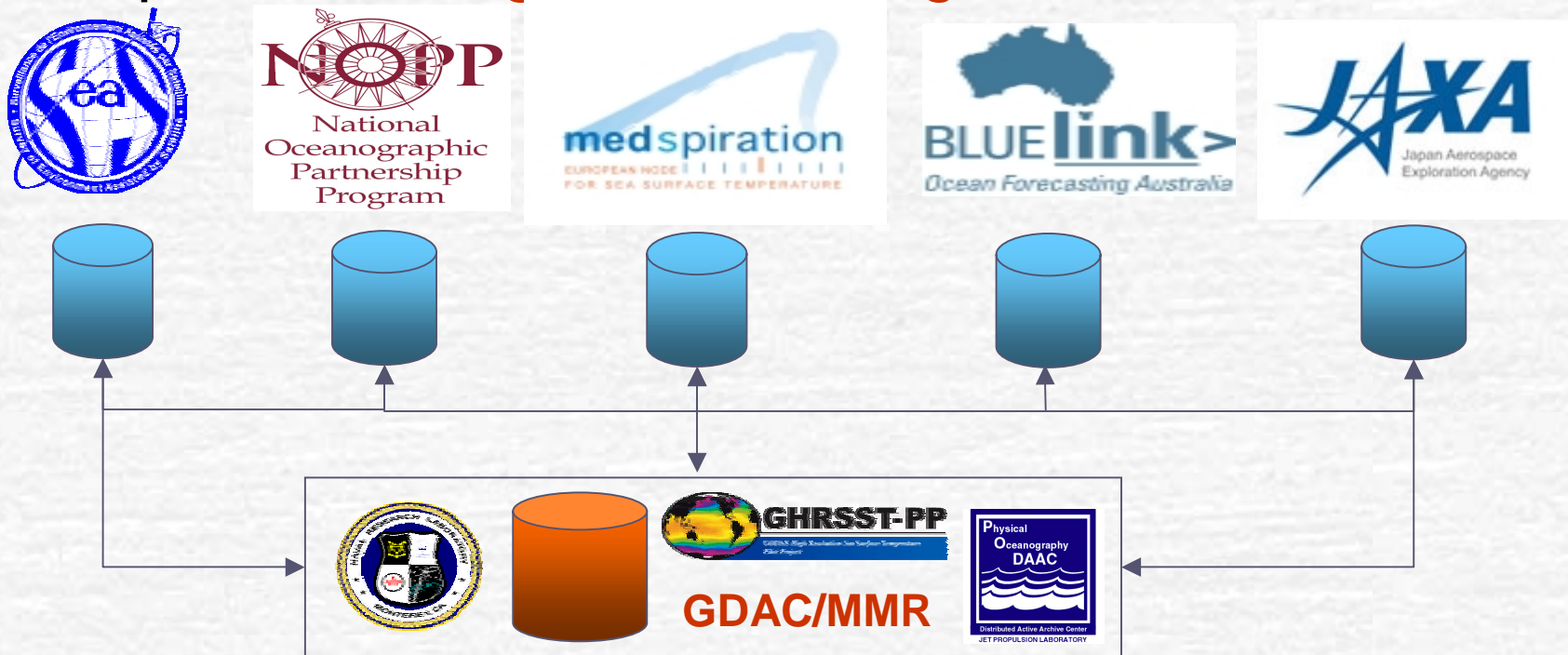
Implementation strategy

- ④ Implementation needs a **framework for success**
 - Follow a pragmatic approach
 - Use what is already available
 - Build on existing capacity
- ④ Preserve and enhance **regional autonomy and identity**
 - Provide a platform for regional actions
 - Preserve regional infrastructure and R&D investments
 - Leverage regional funding
- ④ Provide a **global project focus**
 - For global data and products, agencies and scientists
 - **Active** outreach, promotion, and capacity building
 - Maintain the GODAE identity by working closely with GODAE applications
 - Metadata – the unifying project “matrix”
- ④ Implementation Plan is built on a **layered approach**



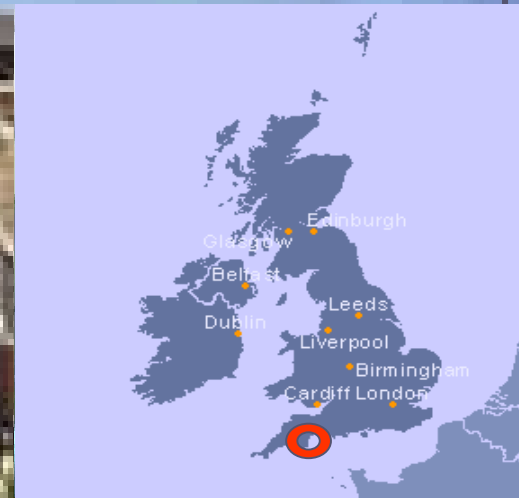
Global/Regional task sharing and connectivity: Regional leverage

- Implementation via **Regional Data assembly Centres (RDAC)** and **Global Data analysis Centres (GDAC)** interacting together to provide global coverage data products based on regional coverage inputs.
- Concept of **Global/Regional task sharing**



The GHRSSST-PP Project Office

- Following endorsement by the ST at the 3rd workshop, a GHRSSST-PP Project Office has now opened
- Joint sponsorship from ESA and the Met Office for a 3 year period (2003-2006)



Remit:

"To manage the international coordination and execution of the GHRSSST-PP as described in the GHRSSST-PP Development and Implementation Plan (GDIP) including all of its sub-components and deliverables."



GHRSSST-PP Organisation



GCOS International GODAE Steering Team (IGST)



International GHRSSST-PP Project Office

International Science Team

GHRSSST-PP Reanalysis Project coordinating group (RAN-CG)

In Situ and Satellite Data Integration Technical Advisory Group (ISDI-TAG)

GHRSSST-PP Data management coordinating group (DM-CG)

Diurnal variation Working group

GHRSSST-PP Partners

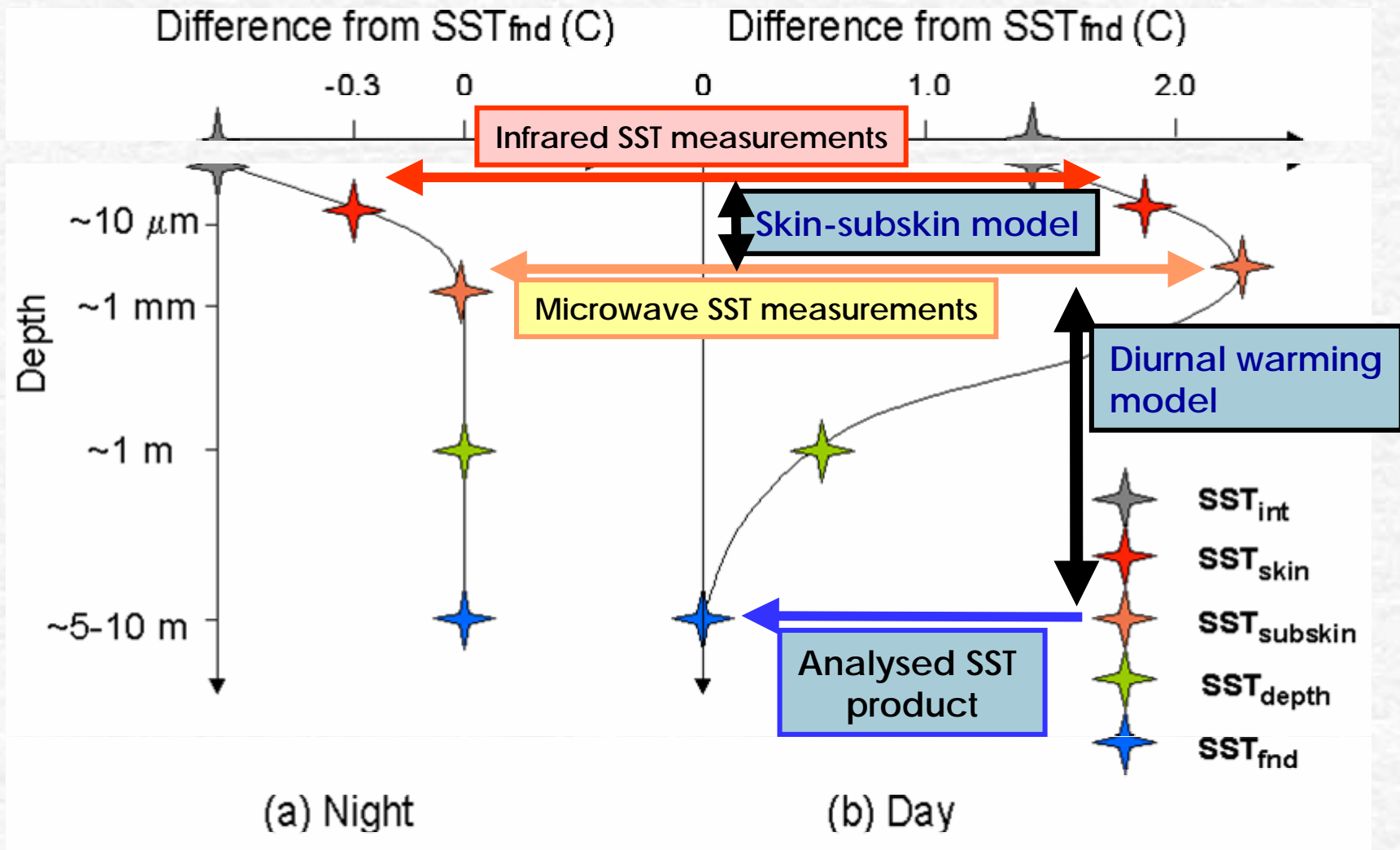


The GHRSSST-PP Data Processing Specification: GDSv1.0

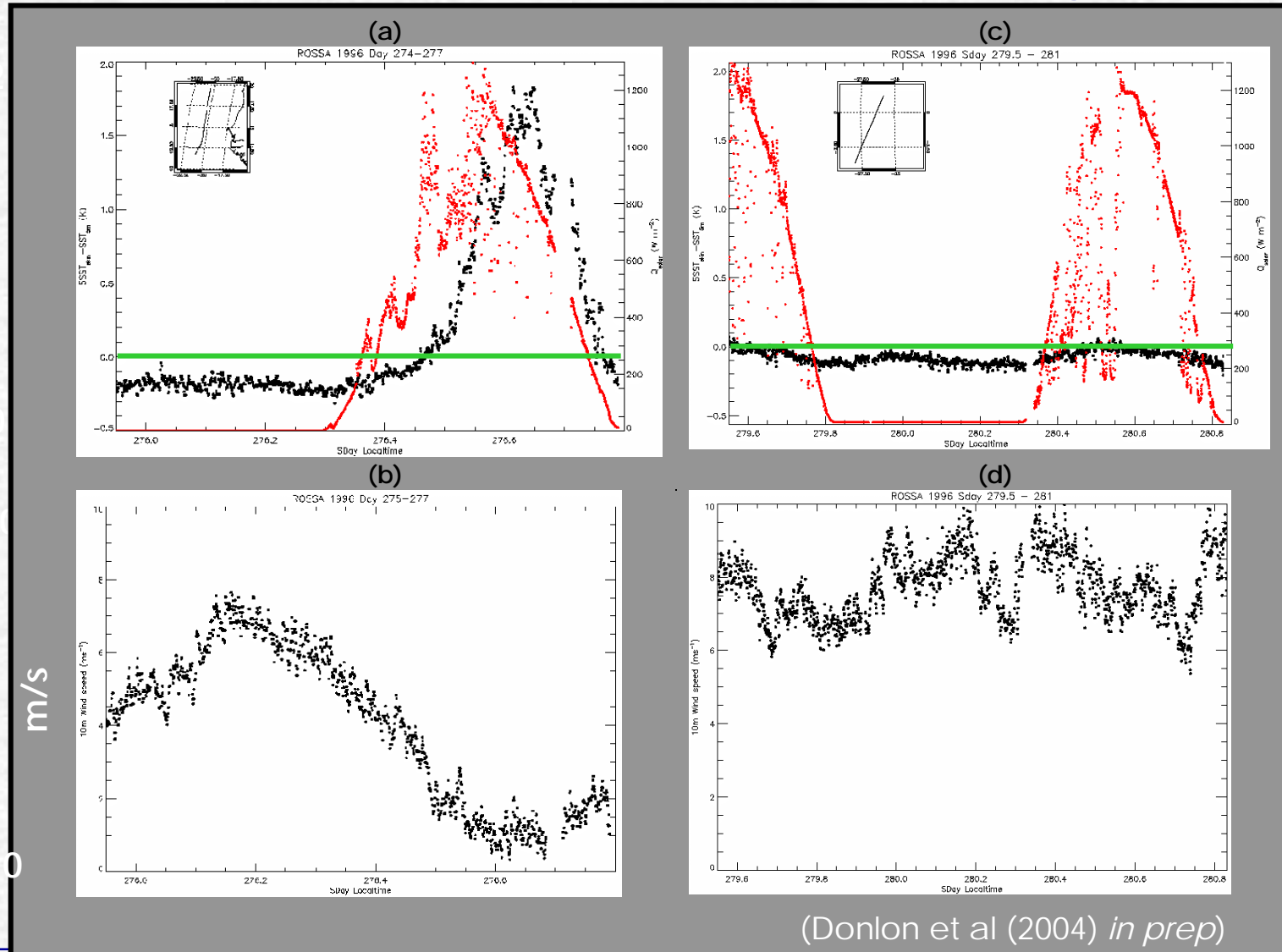
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SST definitions and data products within the GHRSSST-PP

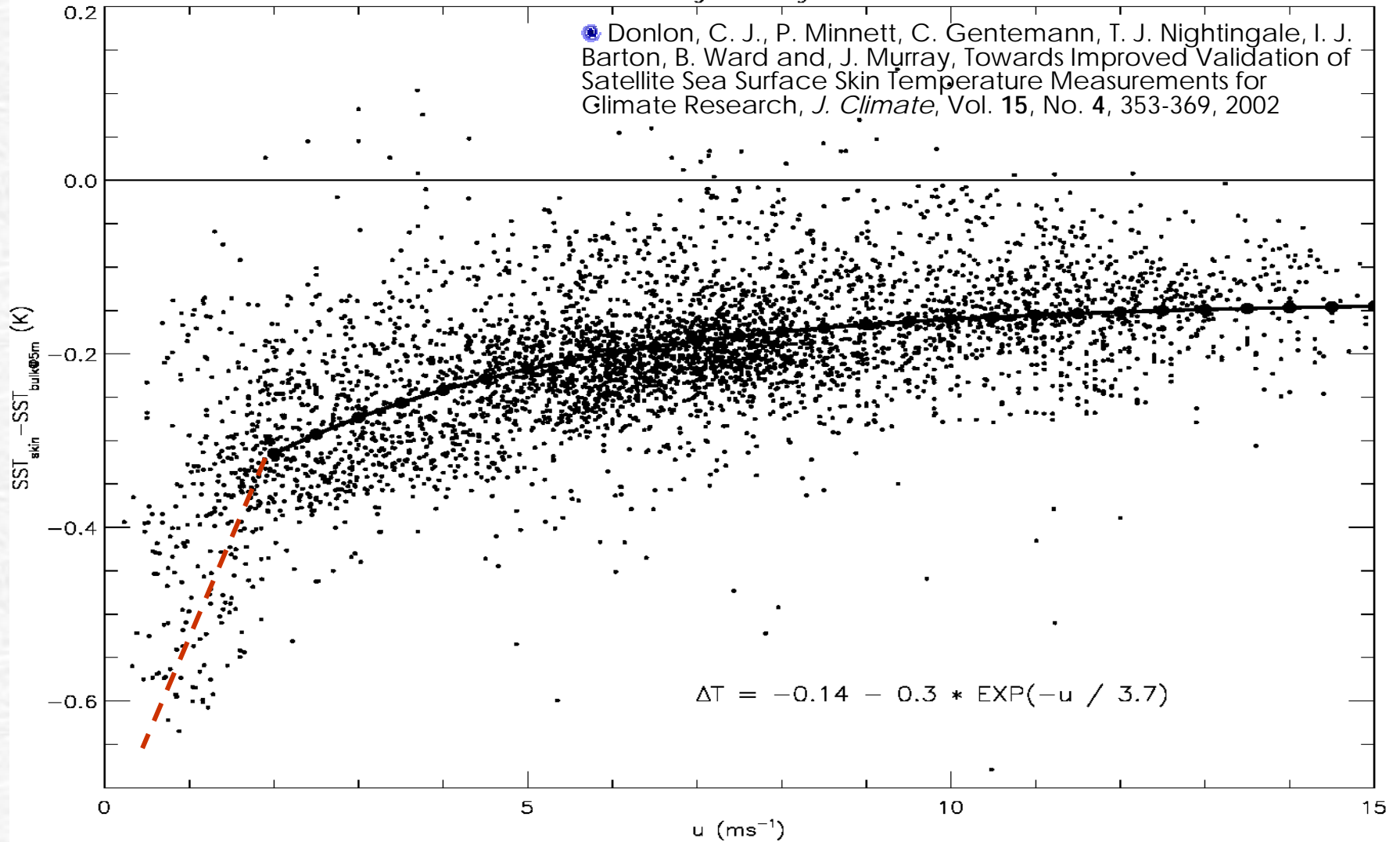


The 'end to end' Diurnal Cycle

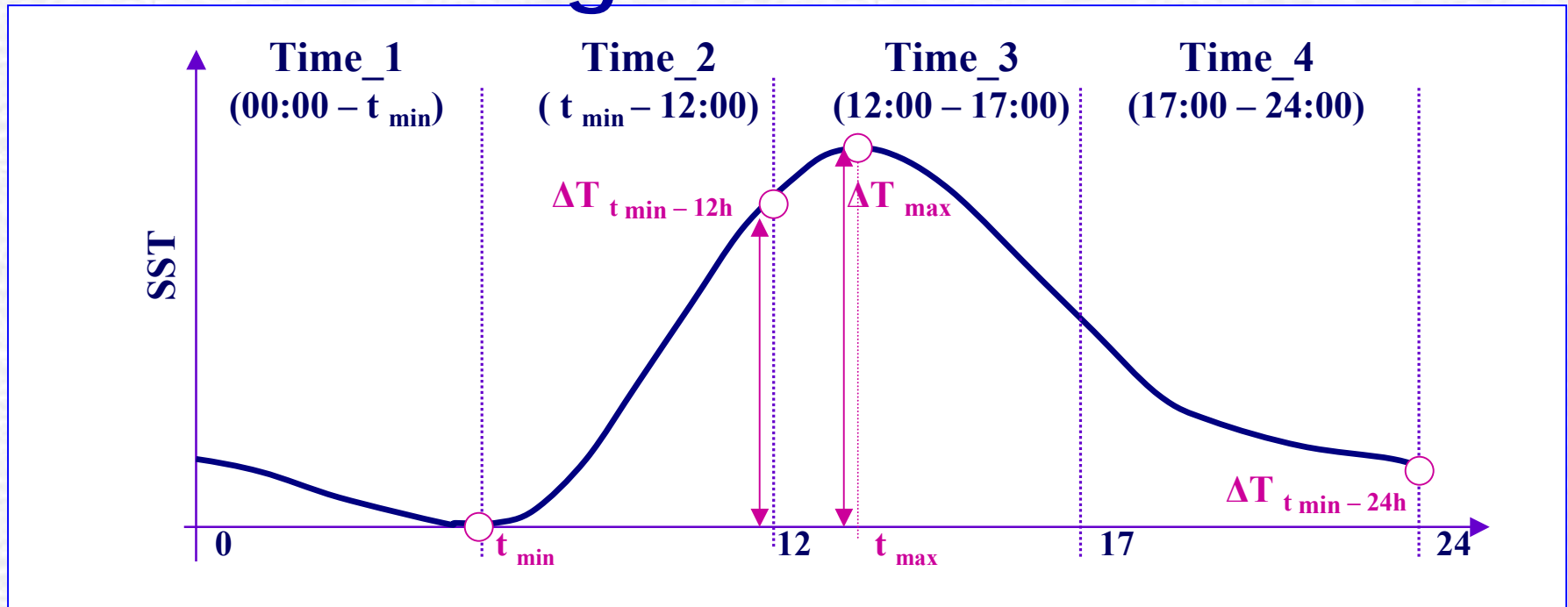


Resolving SST_{skin} & SST_{depth} Differences

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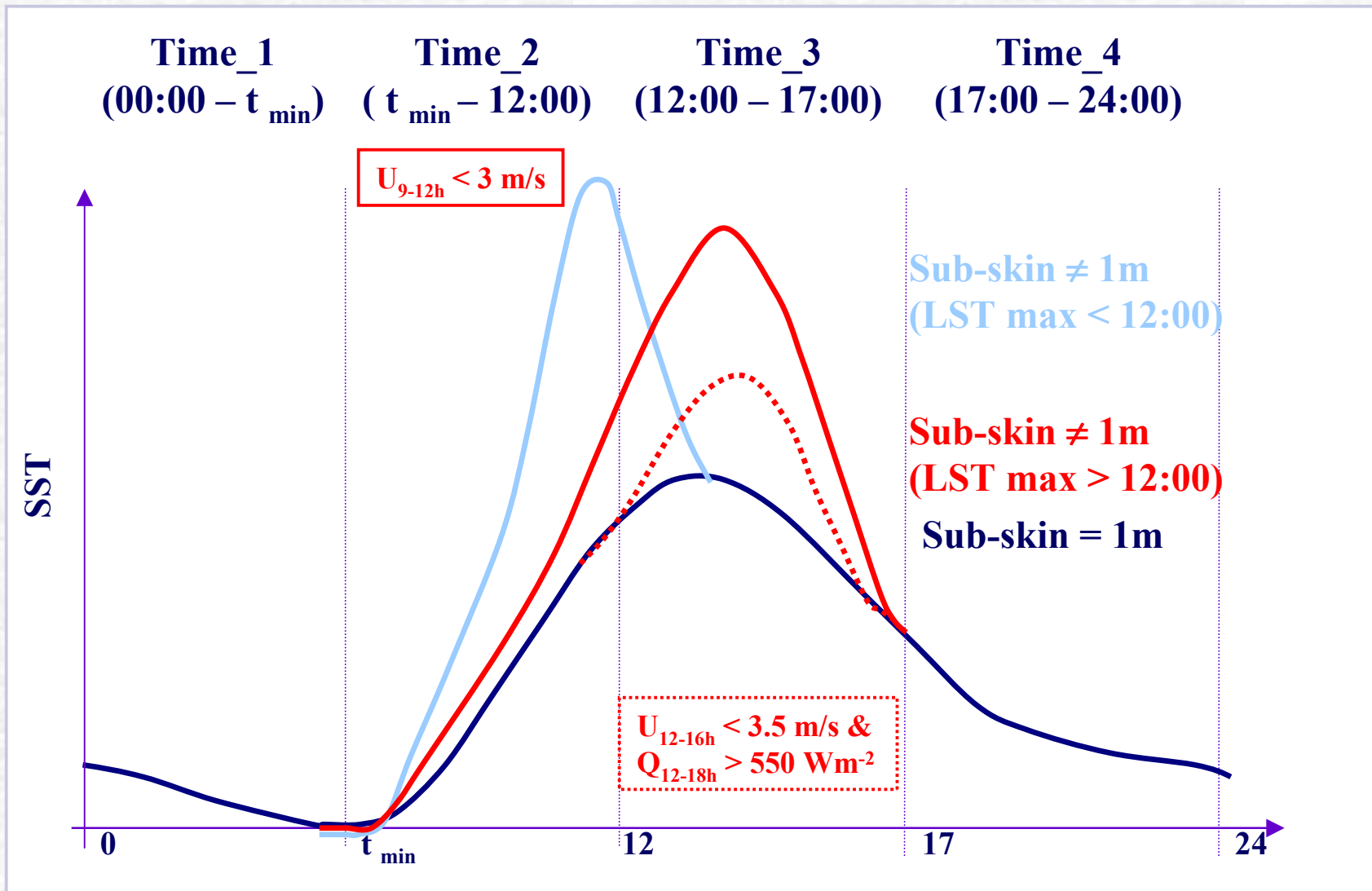


Resolving Diurnal variations



(A. Stuart-Menteth)

Variables required	U_{0-6h}	U_{9-12h} Q_{6-12h}	U_{12-16h} Q_{12-18h}	U_{16-24h}
Models	t_{min} Cooling grad.	$\Delta T_{t_{min} - 12h}$	ΔT_{max} t_{max}	$\Delta T_{t_{min} - 24h}$

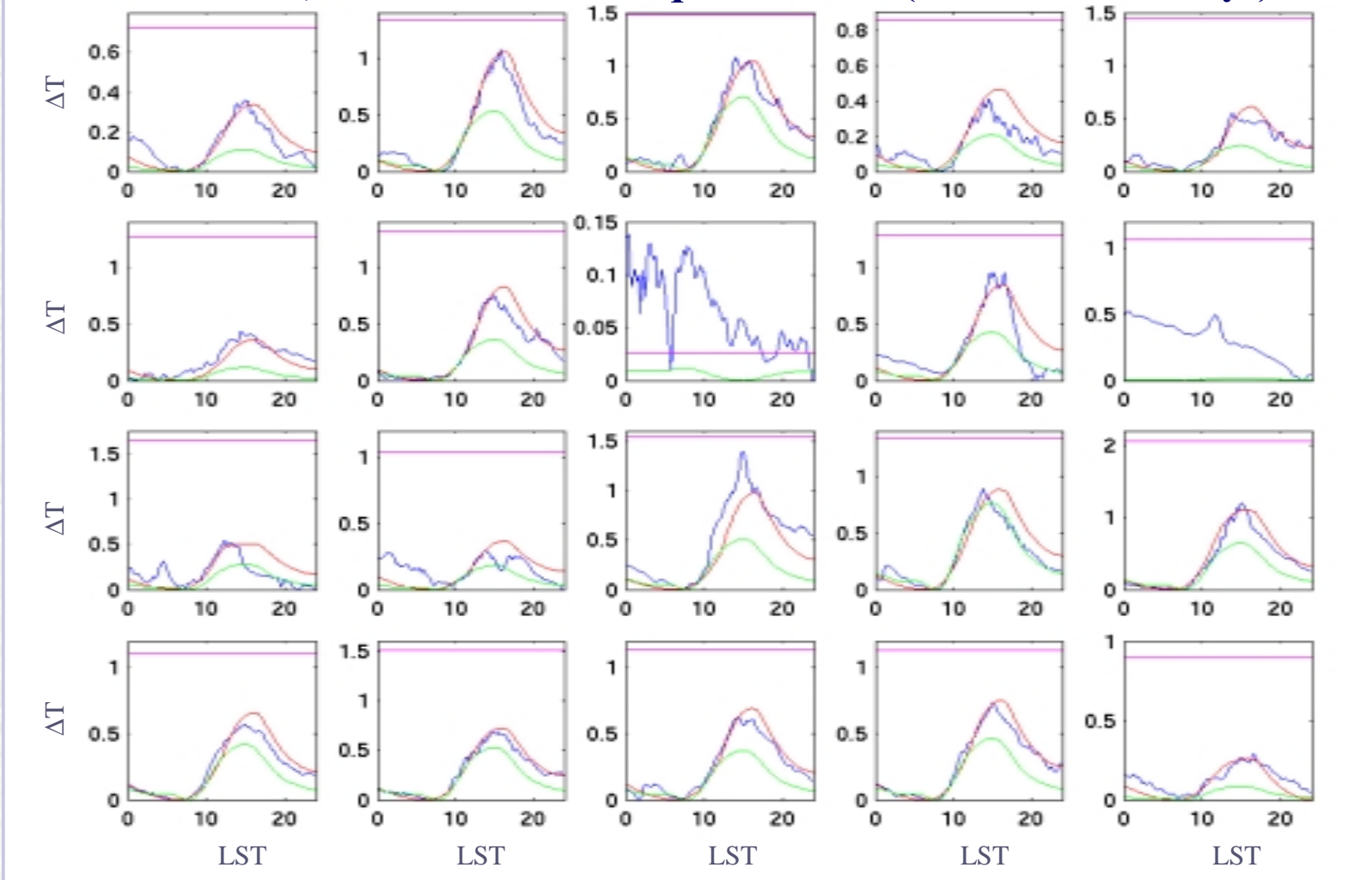


Subskin = 1m parameterisation except when:

(A. Stuart-Menteth)

$U_{9-12h} < 3 \text{ m/s}$ **and** $U_{12-16h} < 3.5 \text{ m/s} \ \& \ Q_{12-18h} > 550 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$

1m: 0n, 10W – Eastern Equ. Atlantic (20 consecutive days)



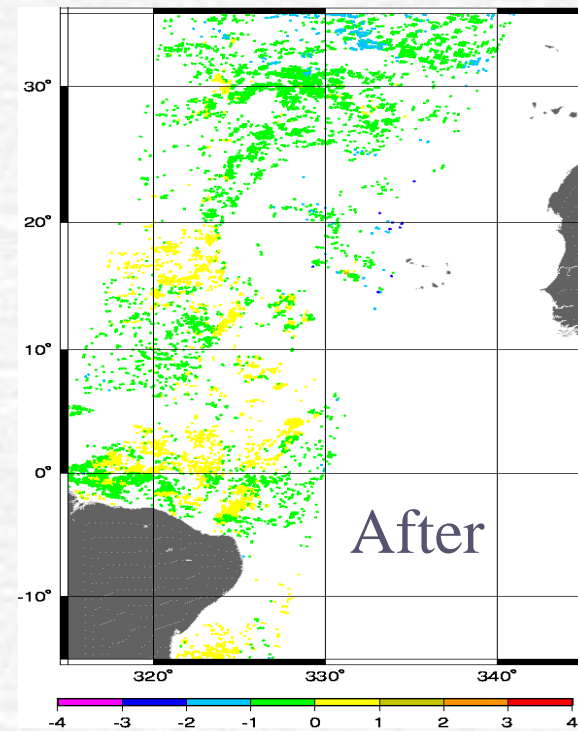
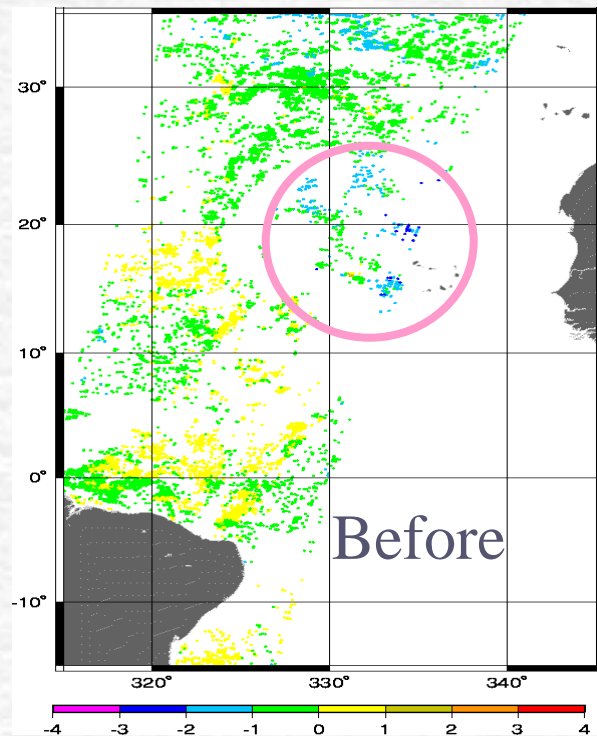
Buoy 1m
Pirata Array

S-M 1m
(Stuart-Menteth)

K&K 1m
(Kawai & Kawamura, 2002)

CG TMI
(Gentemann et al., 2003)

Flagging Aerosol Contamination



SST retrieval anomaly before and after dust screening (AVHRR)

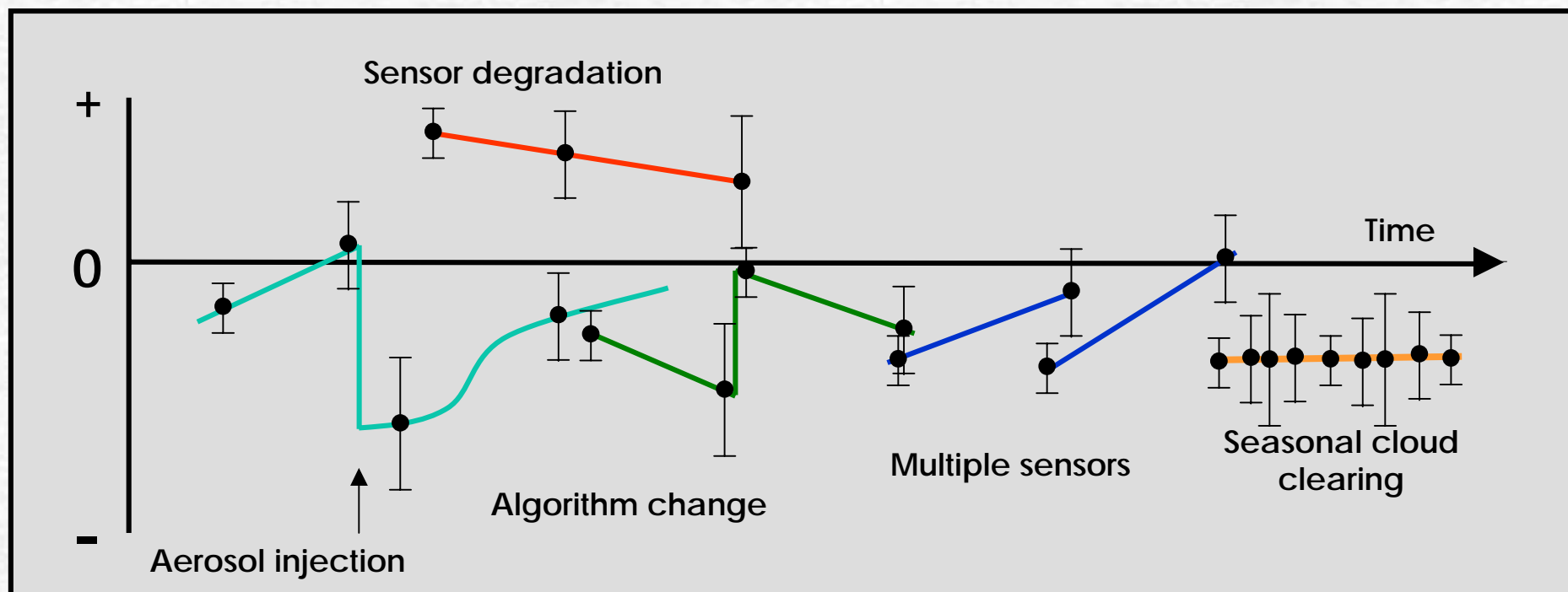
Simple technique is based on:

- 1) difference between dual window and split window and
- 2) difference between triple window and analyzed SST field.

Largest anomalies have been removed.

(J Cummings)

Satellite SST bias characteristics



- ⓐ Satellite SST **bias error vary temporally** for many reasons sometimes changing sign
- ⓐ What is the **reference 'truth'** to which these bias errors should be derived from?
- ⓐ **In situ buoy data** is the most 'robust' in terms of accuracy and operational availability – necessary for satellite SST entry into the climate record

Measuring the SST_{1m}



Optimal use of in situ resources

- ④ We need to make optimal use of the **limited in situ SST data** to derive a bias and standard deviation for each satellite SST measurement
- ④ Not enough buoys to do this!
- ④ Concept of **Single Sensor Error Statistics (SSES)**
 - Assign a **confidence level** to each measurement based on objective criteria
 - For IR data these are **proximity to cloudy data** and **deviation from a 'coldest SST climatology'**
 - For MW data these are proximity to **rainfall**, land (**side lobe contamination**), **sea ice** and the **wind speed**.
- ④ Error estimates (mean bias and standard deviation) are then derived by analysis of a **large match up database (MDB)** of contemporaneous satellite and in situ observations **for each sensor and confidence level**
- ④ Based on operational schemes developed and **currently used** at EUMETSAT O&SI SAF and US Navy

SSES Error statistics for NOAA 16

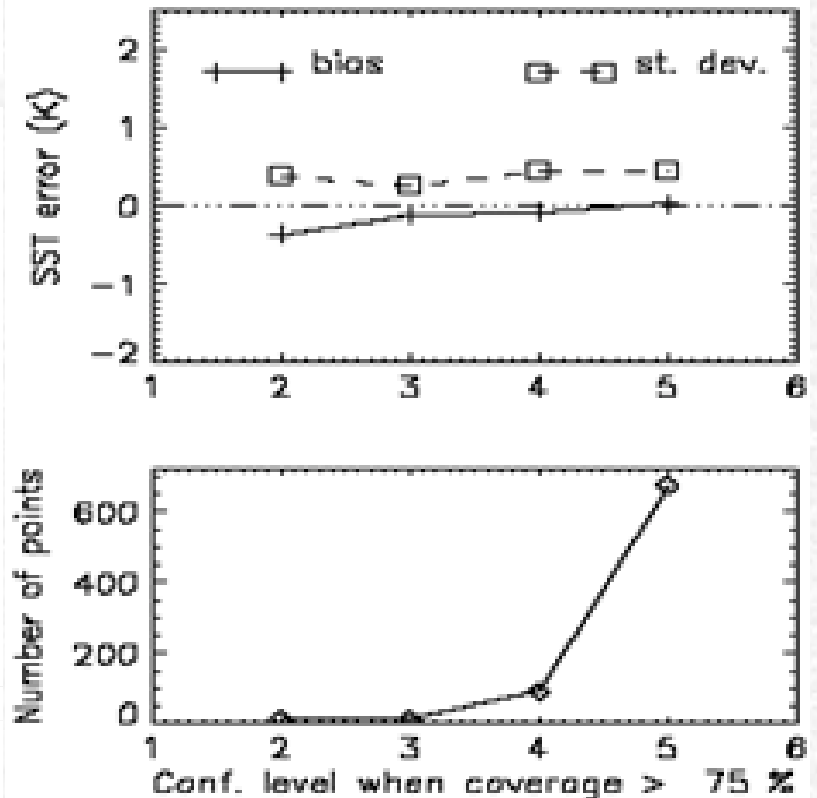
Confidence level determination

Temp. Threshold	acceptable		excellent
Tqual		bad	
Tnear			good
Tfar		cloudy	
	d1	d2	Distance from cloud

Confidence level as a function of temperature and distance from cloud

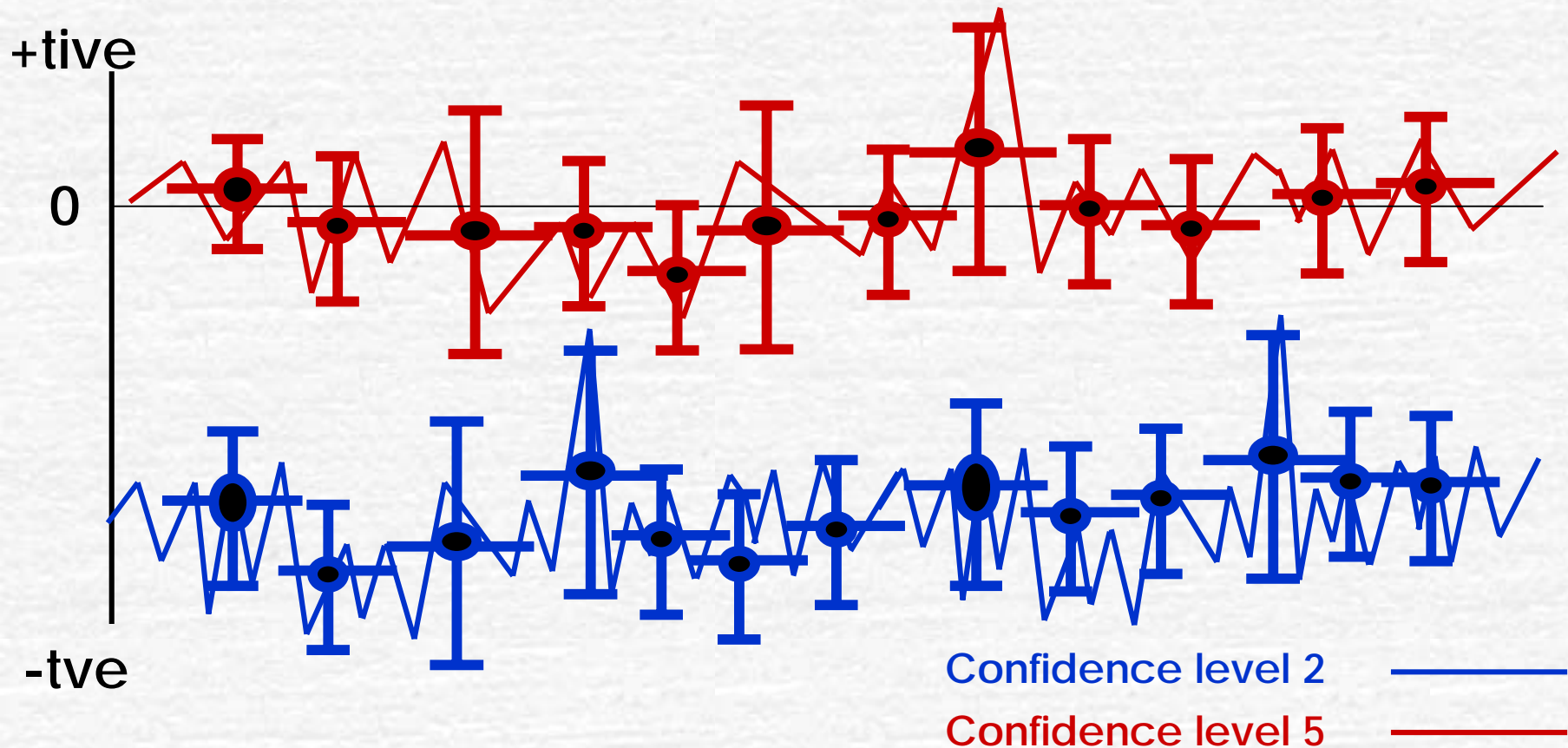
0="unprocessed", 1="erroneous (cloudy)",
 2="bad", 3="acceptable", 4="good", 5="excellent"

NOAA-16 day
 05/01/2001 till 04/30/2002

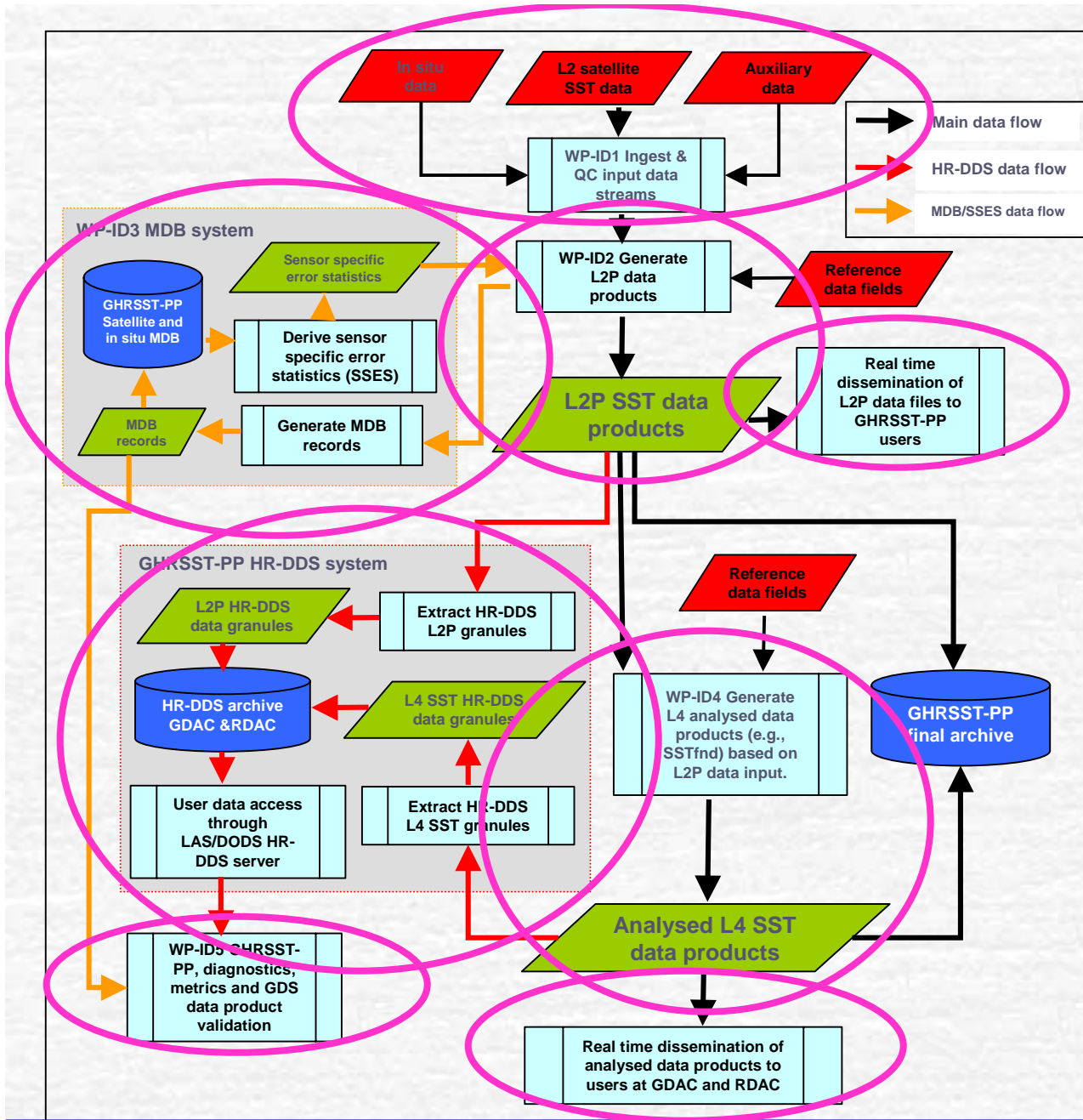


(Figures: P. LeBorgne)

SSES vary by sensor, confidence level and in time



Ⓢ SSES must be **regularly computed** at intervals for **each confidence level and each sensor** from match up data



The GHR SST-PP GDS

Data Ingestion and QC

L2P data product production

GHR SST-PP Match-up database system & SSES generation

Analyzed SST data product production

GHR SST-PP HR-DDS

Data dissemination

Product validation

Data archive

Outputs from the GDSv1.0

(Agreed at GHRSS-PP IV)

Product identifier	Descriptive name	Description	Timeliness
L2P- <filename>	L2 pre-processed data	Native L2 SST and auxiliary data that have been quality controlled and re-formatted to include confidence and error statistic data .	Within 6 hours of acquisition
L4SSTfnd	GDAC L4 SSTfnd analysed data	Global coverage SSTfnd analyzed data products for each day with diurnal variation information	24 hours
SSES	Sensor specific error statistics	Mean bias and rms. Error statistical relationships to sensor specific confidence values.	Weekly/biweekly (depends on buoy availability)
MDB	Match up data base record	Near contemporaneous satellite and in situ data match up record.	Real time
L2P HR-DDS granules	L2P HR-DDS data granules	A high resolution diagnostic data set (HR-DDS) granule (2° x 2° latitude x longitude area) extracted from a L2P data product	Delayed mode (1-3 days)
L4SSTfnd-HRDDS	L4SSTfnd high resolution DDS data granule	A high resolution diagnostic data set (HR-DDS) granule (2° x 2° latitude x longitude area) extracted from a L4SSTfnd data product	Delayed mode (1-3 days)

L2P data products

(Agreed at GHRSSST-PP IV)

- Available in real time by each sensor for assimilation
- netCDF 'CF' convention format
- Based on extensive discussions at GHRSSST-IV

Global attributes	Mandatory
[n x m] array of SST data (e.g., TMI, AATSR, MODIS, AMSR etc)	Mandatory
geolocation data (specific to data set)	Mandatory
[n x m] array of confidence flags (specific to variable data set)	Mandatory

Name
Time
L2P_Version
L2_native_bias
L2_native_sd
Bias
s.d
DT_min
SSI_value
SSI_Dtime_from_SST
SSI_source
Wspd
Wspd_Dtime_from_SST
Wspd_source
Land_mask
Proximity_Confidence
DV_confidence
SST_alg_definition
FractionalSeaIce
FractionalSeaIce_source
AOD
Source_of_AOD
SatZA
Cloud
SunGlint
SatZA_bad
CosmeticFill
MW_SST_flag
Spare

L4 data products

(Agreed at GHRSSST-PP IV)

- Available **each day**
- netCDF as for L2P
- No **'optimal' analysis method** has been agreed
- Instead, **a strength of diversity** is acknowledged
- At the next GHRSSST-PP workshop, this will be a priority issue

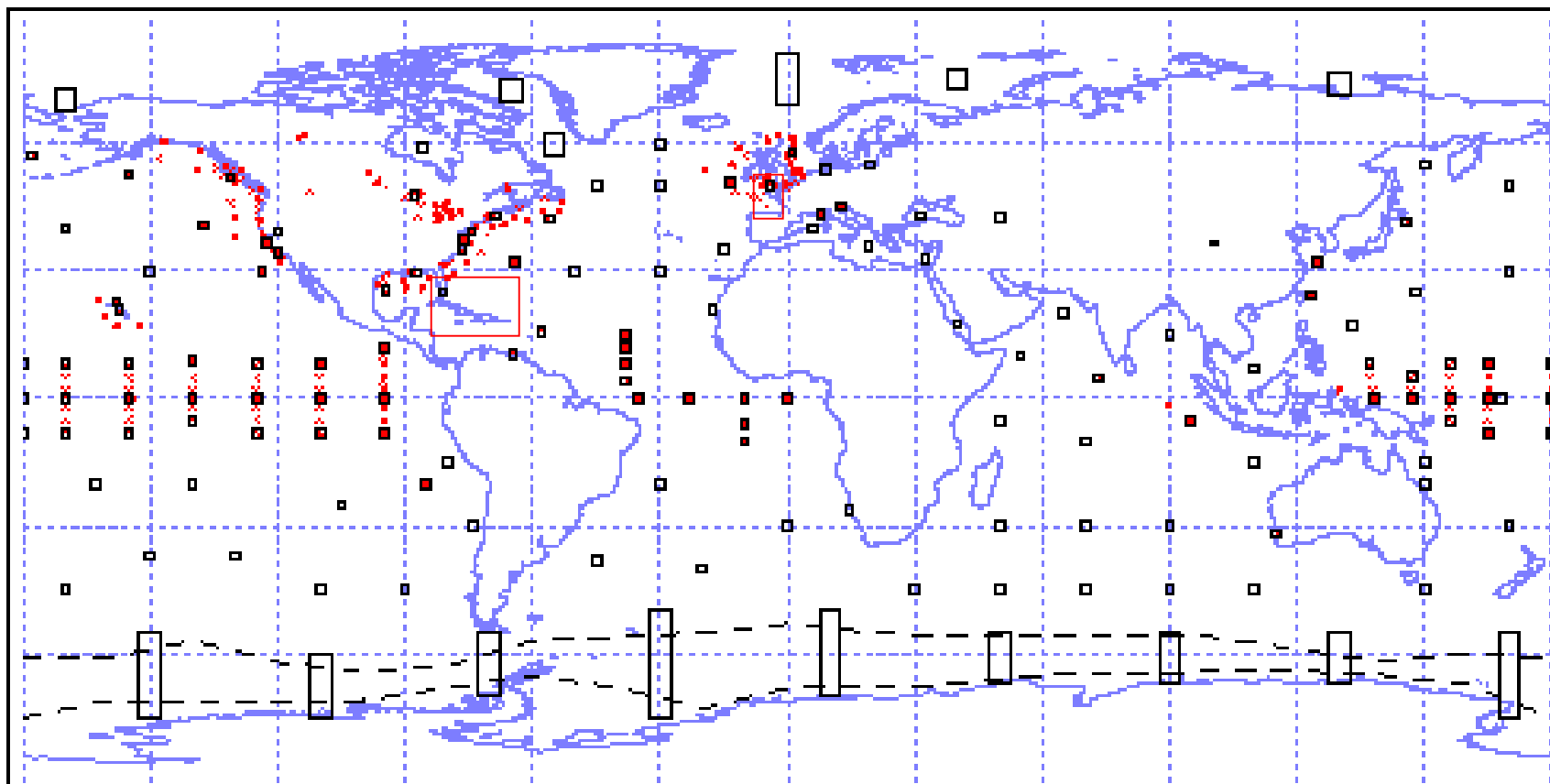
Name	Description
Land_sea_flag provided by data provider	Grid cell type classification sea or land
FractionalSeaIce	Ice contamination flag 0=no sea ice, 1=sea ice flag from native L2 data stream, 3=sea ice from reference field
Normalised_OI_error	
Bias	Analysis error bias
Skin_parameterisation	Coefficients for SST _{nd} - SST _{skin} conversion model
Skin_parameterisation_sc heme	
Spare	Reserved fro GDSv2

The High Resolution diagnostic Data Set: HR-DDS

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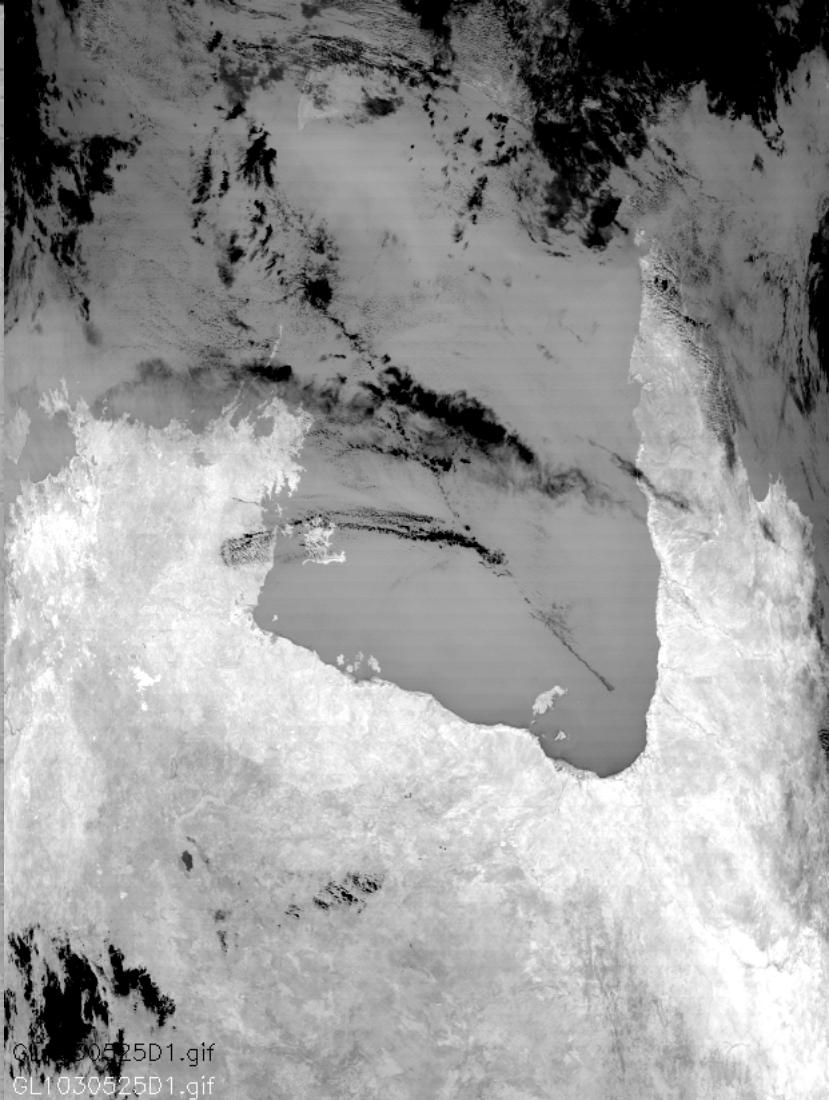
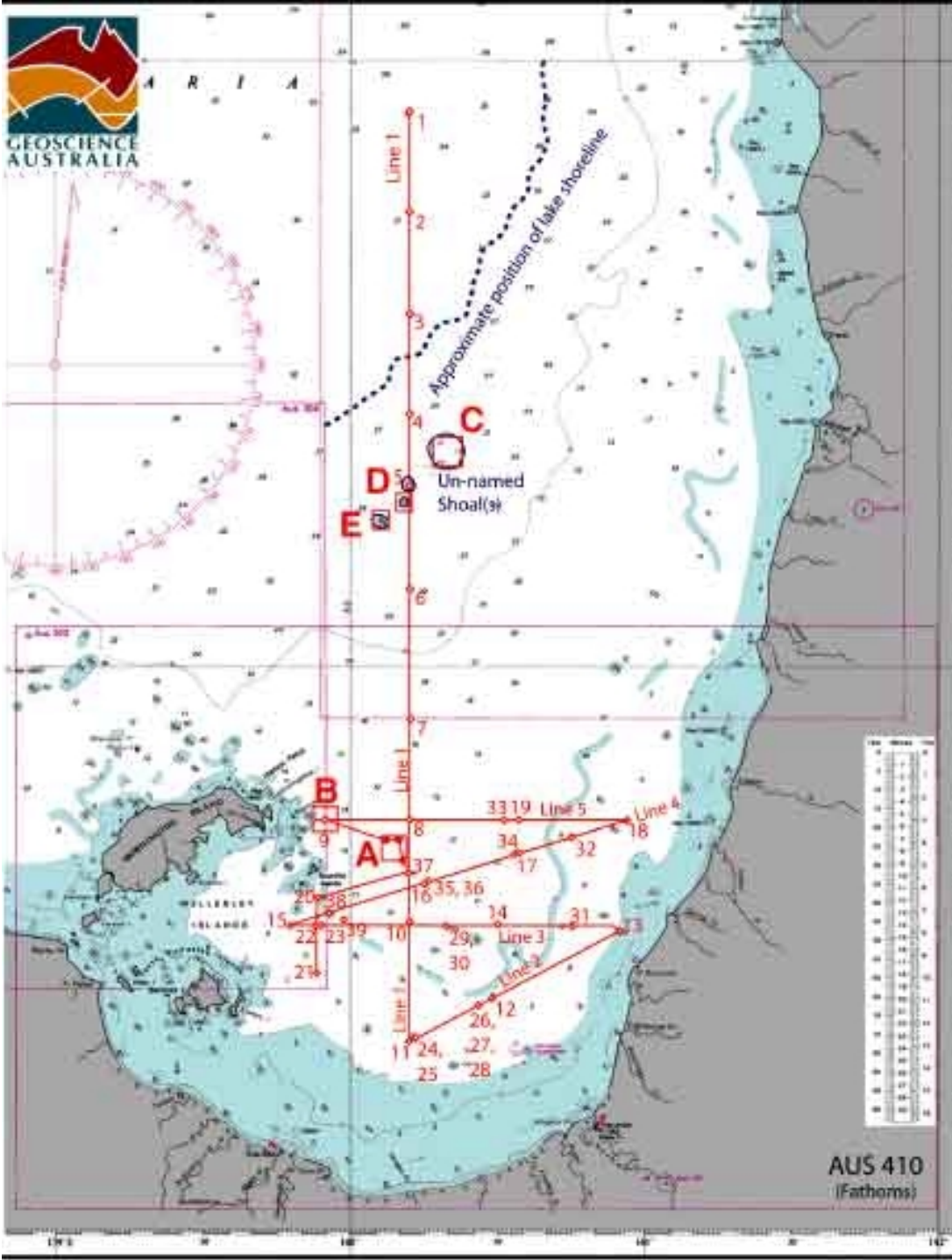
HR-DDS-v2.2 locations



- Based on output of the 2nd & 3rd GHRSSST-PP workshop Science Team feedback. Fully documented in the HR-DDS Implementation Plan (GHRSSST/14)

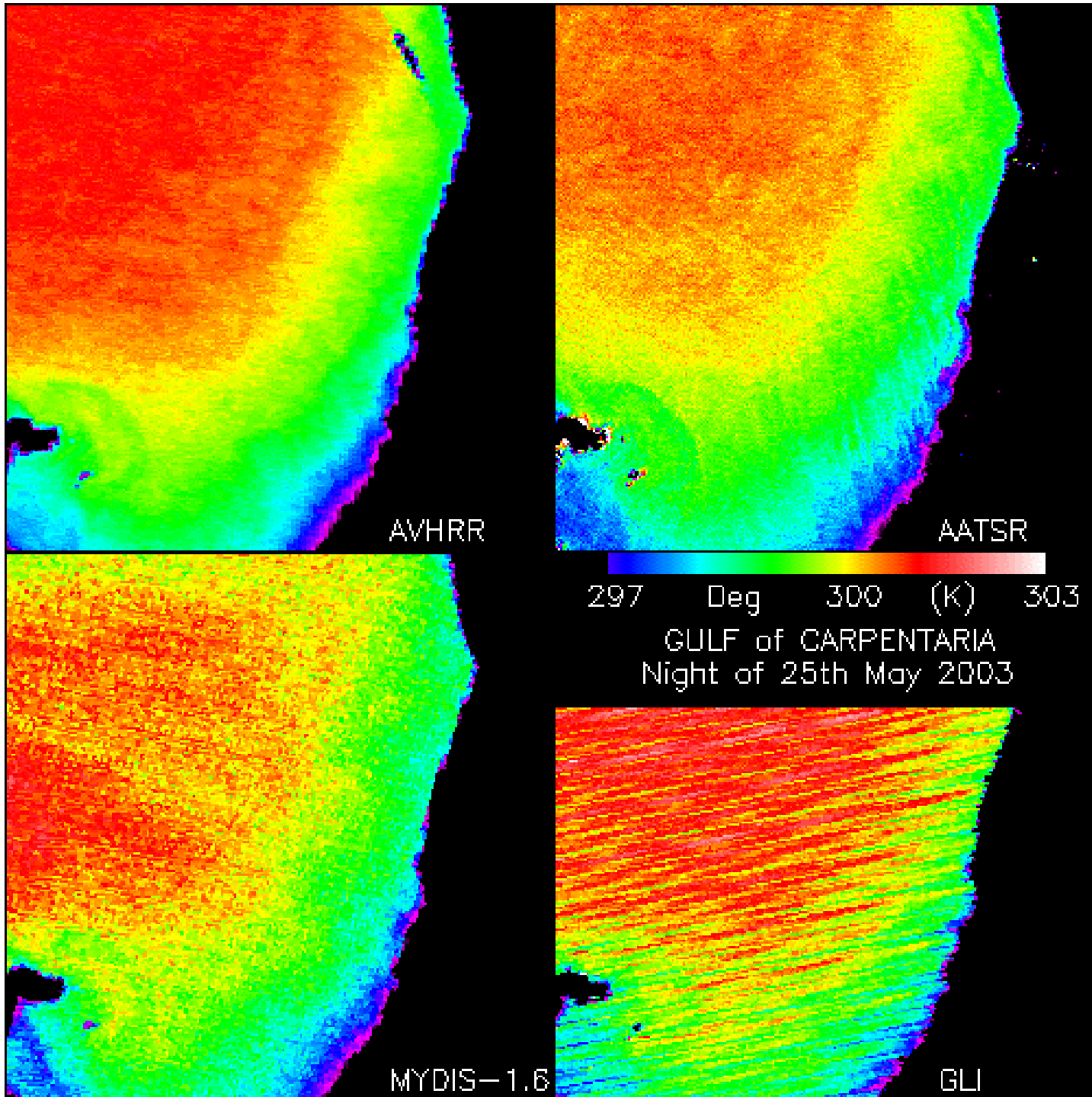


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Gulf of Carpentaria GLI 25 May 2003



25 May 2003

Night - EST

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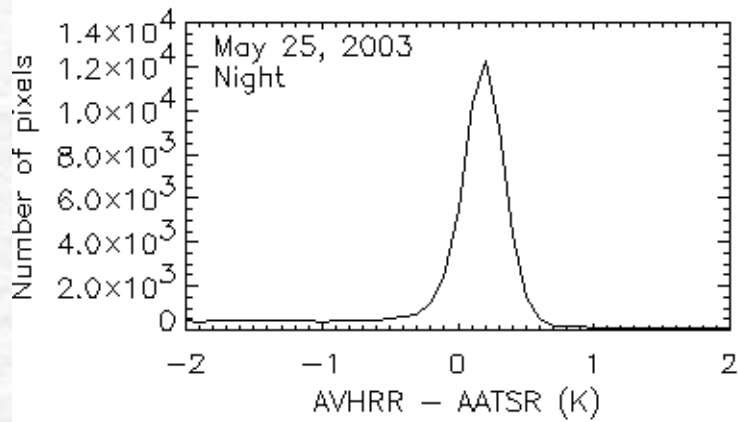
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MYDIS - 0200

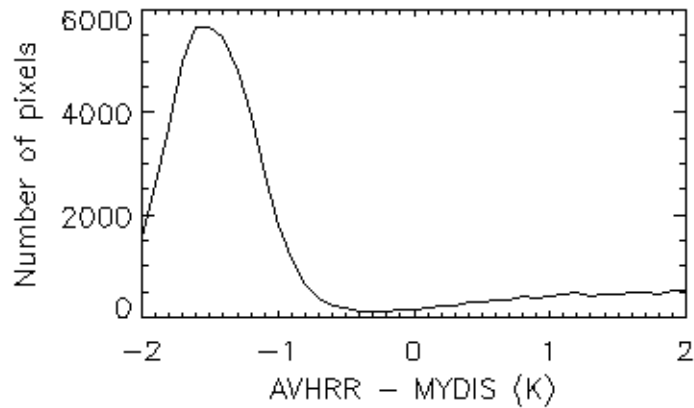
GLI - 2230

15.5–17.0 °S

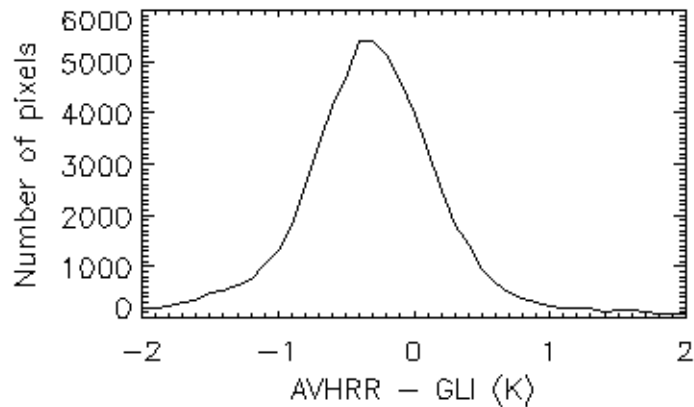
139.5–142.0 °E



$$AVHRR - AATSR = 0.2 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$



$$AVHRR - MYDIS = -1.5 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$



$$AVHRR - GLI = -0.3 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

The GHRSSST-PP Reanalysis Project (RAN)

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GHRSSST-PP Reanalysis project

- Ⓢ Considered as an integral component *a priori*
- Ⓢ Overall Goals of Reanalysis:
 - Utilise SST data unavailable in real time (higher QC)
 - Create delayed mode, higher accuracy and consistency products
 - **Link to longer term climate records**
 - Enable reprocessing capability
 - Experiment with different OI schemes (Reynolds, Kaplan, Feigurth, France, Australia...)
- Ⓢ Daily SSTfnd product will be output
 - Accuracy: 0.3K absolute, 0.1K relative, temporally stable to 0.01K/decade (targets)
- Ⓢ Will allow a better error estimates and diurnal variability
- Ⓢ Delivery Timescale: ~ 1 year delay
- Ⓢ Provide a 'platinum' data set from a 'golden age'!

Application Experiments

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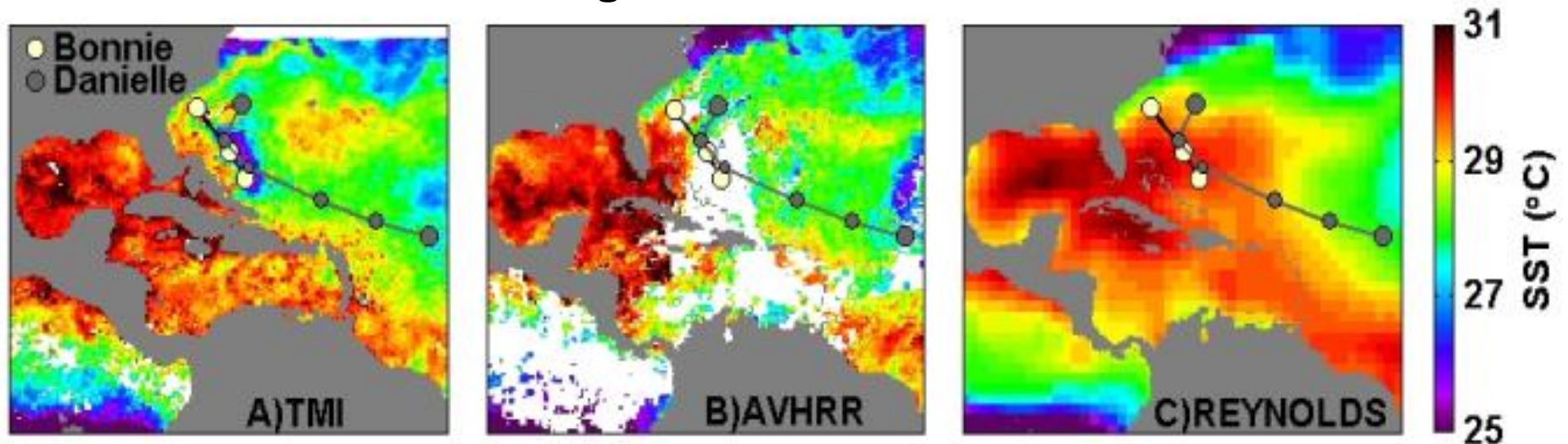
Regional Applications

- GHRSSST-PP must **engage diverse applications** e.g.:
 - Ecosystem management
 - Pollution mitigation
 - Protection of Life and property
 - Power companies: the sea breeze and seasonal trends
 - Wind farm power generation
 - Real-time rapid cold front passage and available capacity
 - Building management: Air conditioning/building location
 - Oil industry: model initialisation and assimilation
 - Financial industry: better forecasting and climate change
 - Tourist industry!
- **What happens on the land is determined by the “forgotten” distant ocean**
- **Metrics** are key to application impact assessments (**outcomes**) and the success of the application this is a priority for the next 12 months
 - Forces an identification the key issues – **makes people think!**

New Possibilities

SST during Hurricane Danielle

August 25, 1998



(C Gentemann, Remote Sensing Systems)

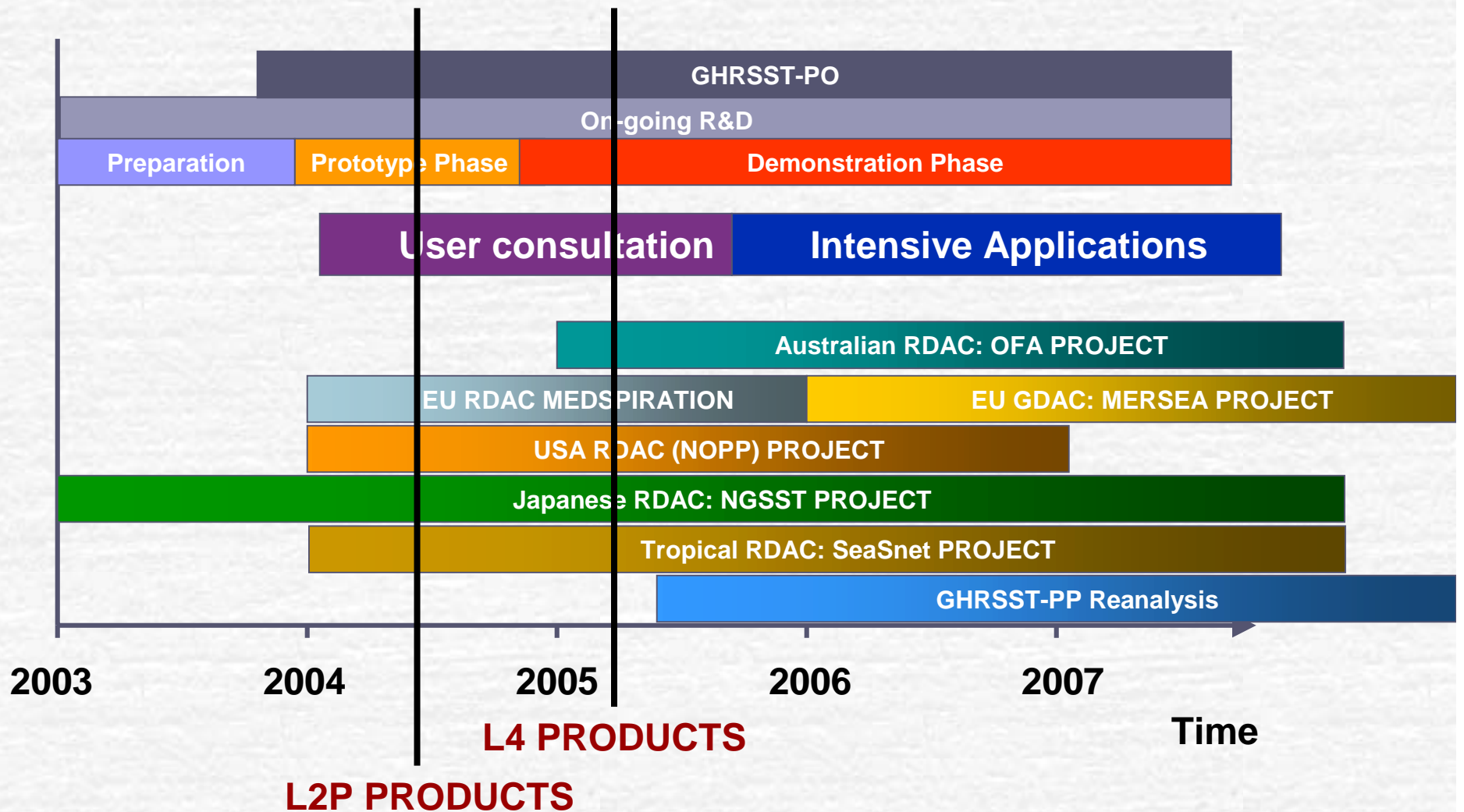
- Ⓢ Bonnie caused **significant cold upwelling** not evident in AVHRR SST because of the clouds surrounding the storm.
- Ⓢ When Danielle passed over the cold wake of Bonnie the intensity decreased sharply and the storm veered to the NE.

Implementation Schedule

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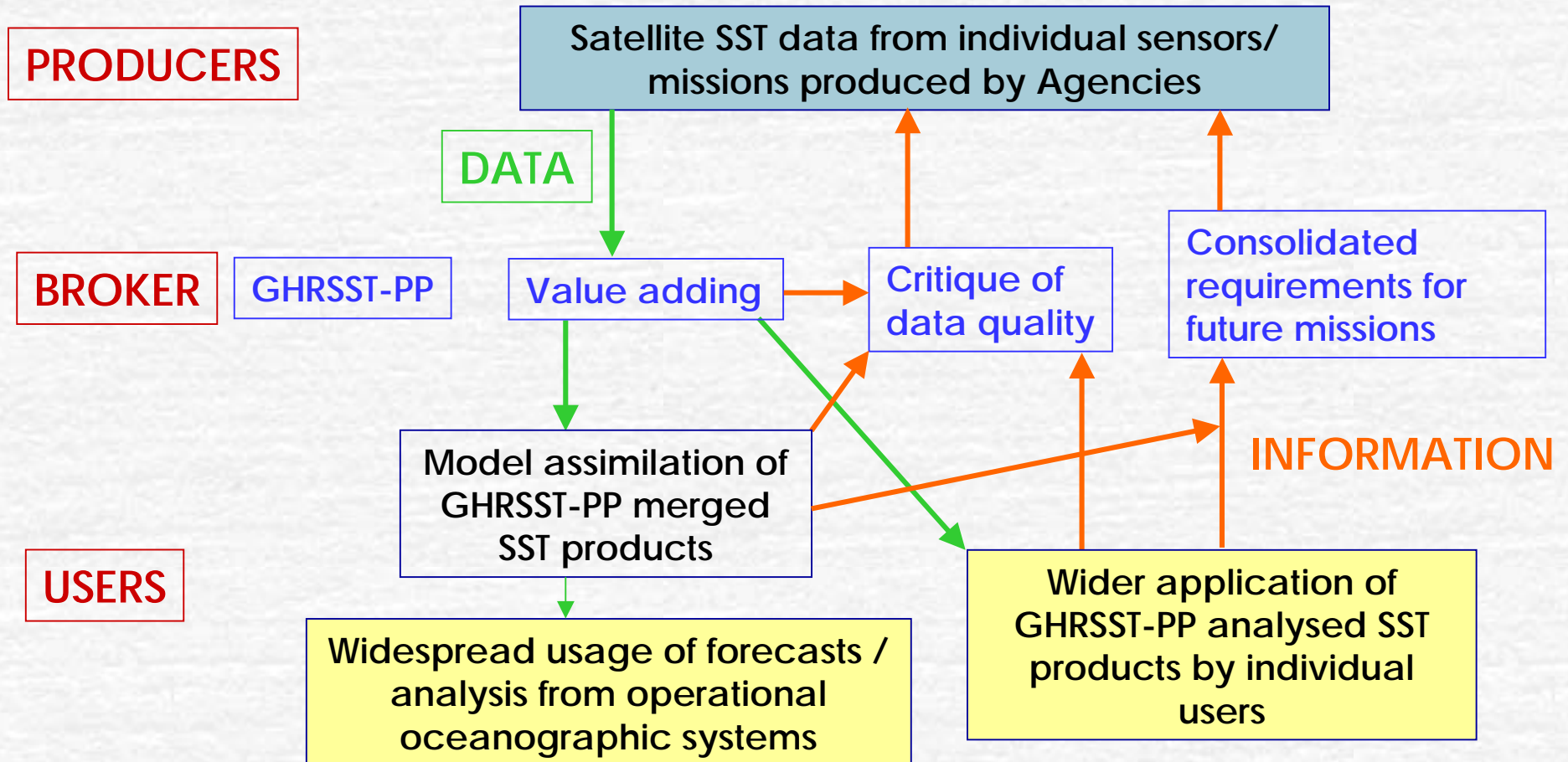
GHRSSST-PP Schedule



Expected GHR SST-PP Outcomes

- ④ Provide a **new generation of operational SST** products
 - Address the needs of national and international projects (GODAE, GOOS, CLIVAR, MERCATOR etc.)
- ④ Ensure that **duplication of SST activities are minimized**
 - Synchronization of data merging/processing procedures, techniques, algorithms and data formats,
- ④ An **operationally efficient methodology** for real time fusion of SST data
 - Increased efficiency and cost-effectiveness of SST product generation and delivery
- ④ Develop and foster **considerable scientific and operational knowledge** during the lifecycle of the GHR SST-PP
 - Increase the network capacity within international and national projects of differing scope and budget

A view of the role of the GHRSSST-PP



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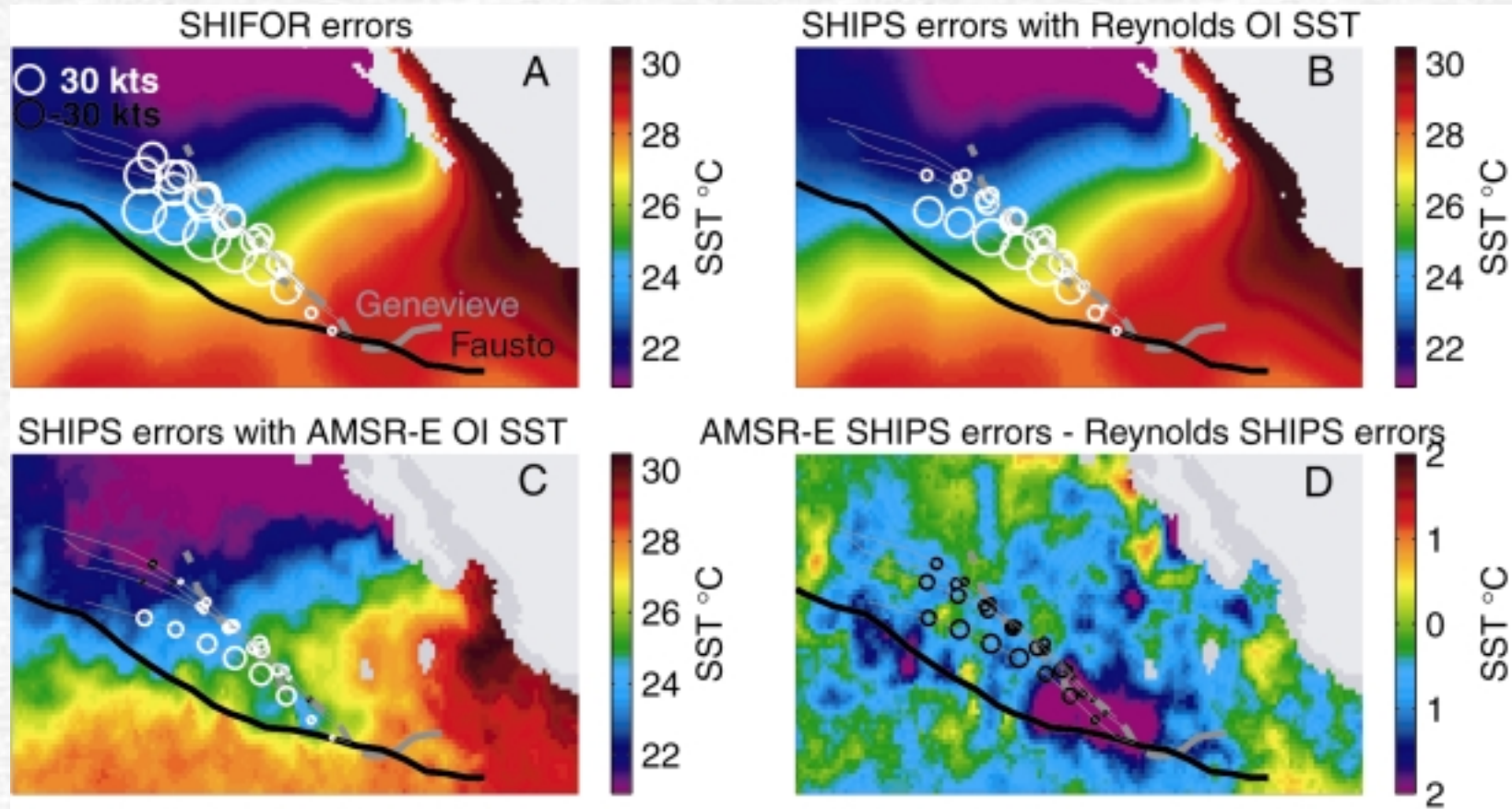


Hurricane Genevieve (2002)

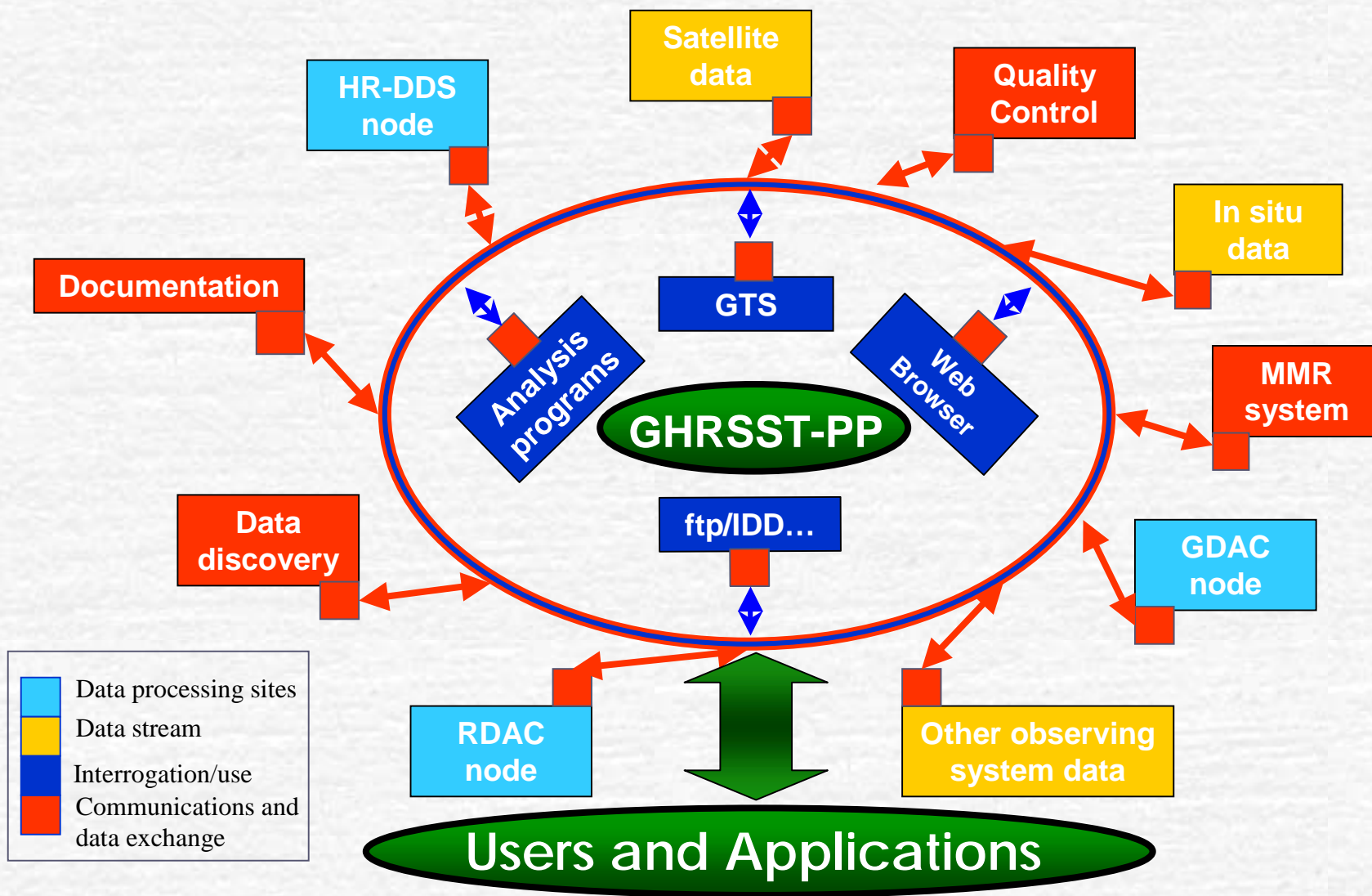
(Gentemann et al, 2003)

National Hurricane Centre (NHC) operational models

- Statistical Hurricane Intensity Prediction System (SHIPS)
- Statistical Hurricane Intensity Forecast (SHIFOR)



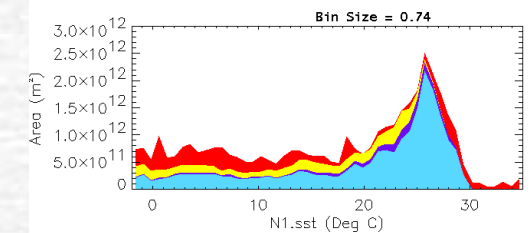
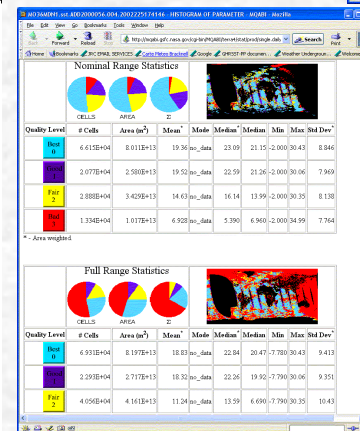
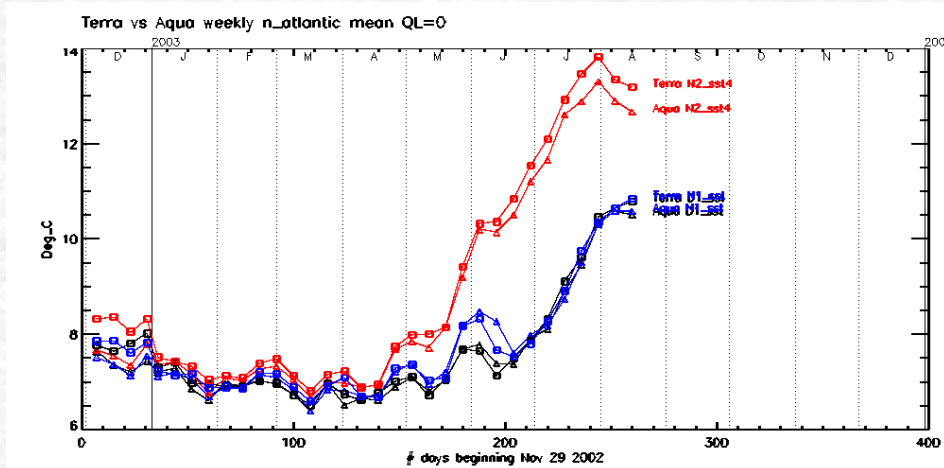
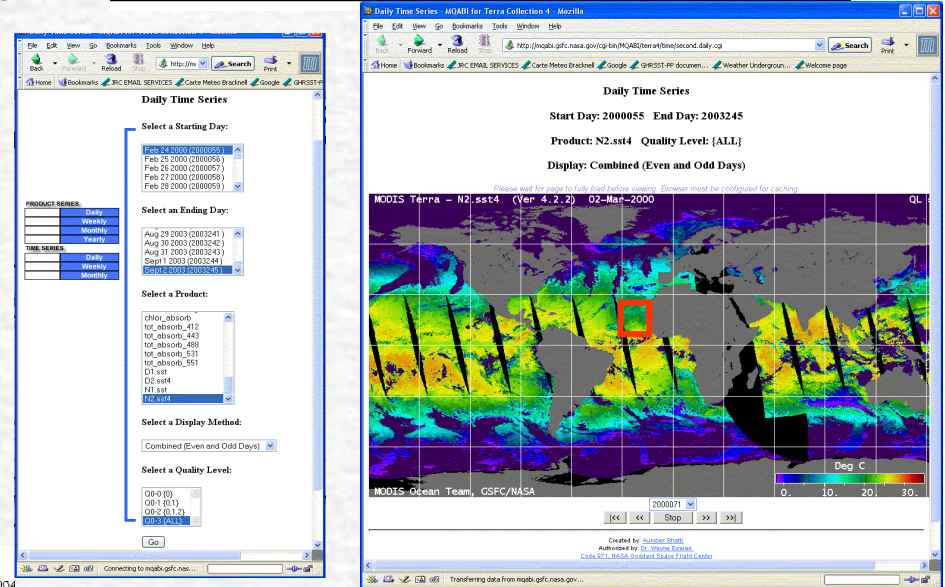
The GHRSSST-PP Development and Implementation Plan



HR-DDS: Science and Applications

- Provides Time series plots of data values
- Provides browse imagery
- Move making is possible
- Dynamic statistics
- Browse imagery
- Very interactive and dynamic (see WWW example)

MQABI for **TERRA**
MODIS (Ocean) Quality Assurance Browse Imagery Collection 4



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Users and Applications

- ④ The User Information Service (**UIS**) provides **low volume data access** and information on GHRSSST-PP **logistics and operations**
 - General low volume access to data products
- ④ The Applications and User Services (**AUS**) links the GHRSSST-PP to **specific applications** (GHRSSST-PP “Power users”) closely monitored by GHRSSST-PP science team
 - E.g., MERCATOR, FOAM, JMA, Satellite Flux development etc.
 - Interactive Workshops and targeted outreach initiatives
 - Develop a **deep relationship** with specific applications to ensure **appropriate feedback**

Distributed HR-DDS concept

④ Design is based on the GODAE data sharing Project
The HR-DDS should contribute to the GODAE data sharing project

