

Australian Preparations for GIFTS

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Geostationary Imaging Fourier Transform Spectrometer

GIFTS - A revolutionary weather observation tool

NASA, U Wisc., Utah St. U., NOAA, Navy/AF, BoM (Australia)

New Technology for Atmospheric Temperature, Moisture, Chemistry, & Winds



GIFTS Program Concept

TECHNOLOGY

Imaging Interferometer

Cryogenic Michelson Interferometer
Laser Metrology System
On-Board Calibration

LFPA and Cryogenic Cooling

128 x 128 Infrared Detector Arrays Redundant Cryo-Coolers

High Speed Signal Processing

Rad-Hard Analog to Digital Converters
PowerPC Rad750

Data Compression

Rad-Hard Processors

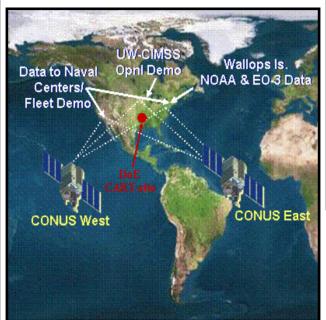
Pointing and Control

Star Tracker
512 x 512 Visible Detector Array

Lightweight Optics

SiC Telescope

VALIDATION





Indian Ocean Ops



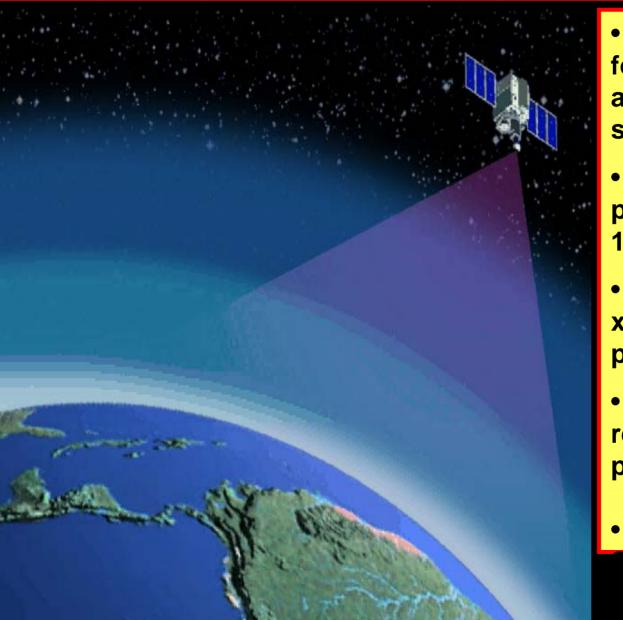


NASA - Demonstrate Wind Sounding Measurement Concept & Validate the Technologies

NOAA - Demonstrate Operational Utility & Infuses Technology into NOAA instruments

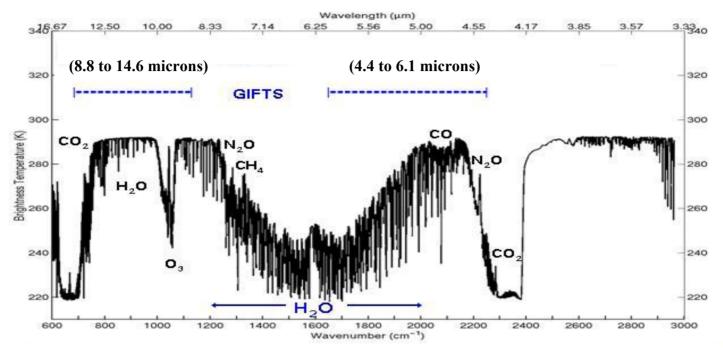
Navy - Provides Advanced Imaging/Sounding Data Products for Fleet Operations

GIFTS Sampling Characteristics



- Two 128x 128 Infrared focal plane detector arrays with 4 km footprint size
- A 512 x 512 Visible focal plane detector array with 1 km footprint size
- Field of Regard 512 km
 x 512 km at satellite subpoint
- Ten second full spectral resolution integration time per Field of Regard
- ~ 80,000 Atmospheric

GIFTS IR Measurements and Products



Products:

Water vapor (soundings, fluxes, winds)

Temperature (sounding, stability)

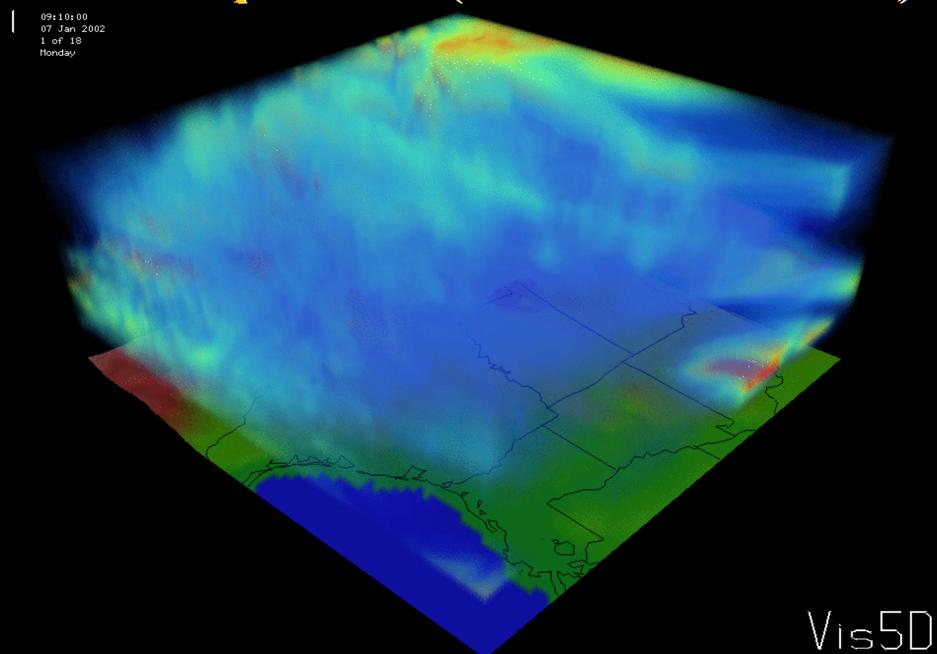
Carbon monoxide concentration (2 Layers)

Ozone concentration (4 Layers)

Surface Temperature and emissivity

Clouds (altitude, optical depth, microphysical properties, winds)
Mineral Dust / Aerosol Concentration and Depth

Water Vapor Flux (3 x 3 GIFTS Cubes)



Wind 00:26:00
Wind 14 Sep 98
1 of 3
Measurement Monday

NAST-I water vapor retrieval 200 hPa Relative Humidity (%)

δt~35 min



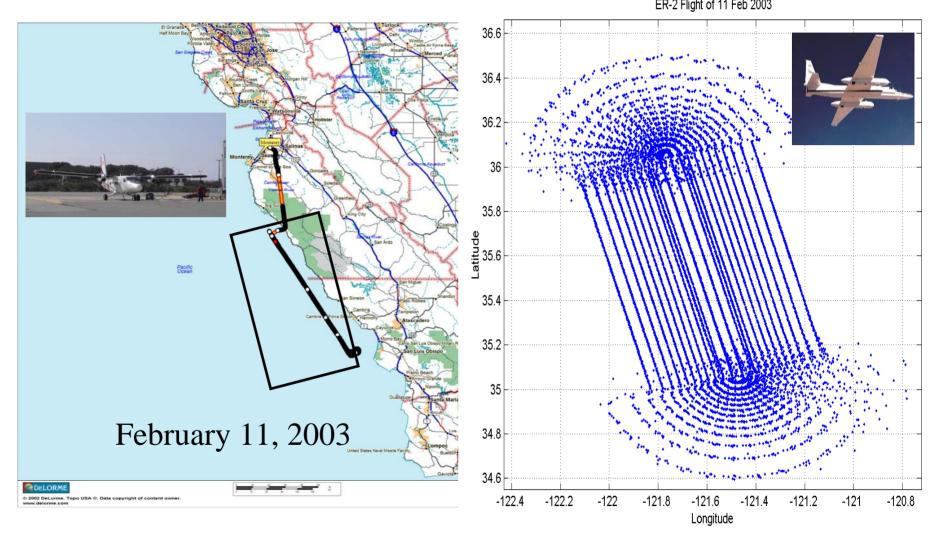
NAST-I Water Vapor
Tracking Demonstrates
GIFTS Wind Profiling
Technique

71 -T7.50

60 km x 40 km



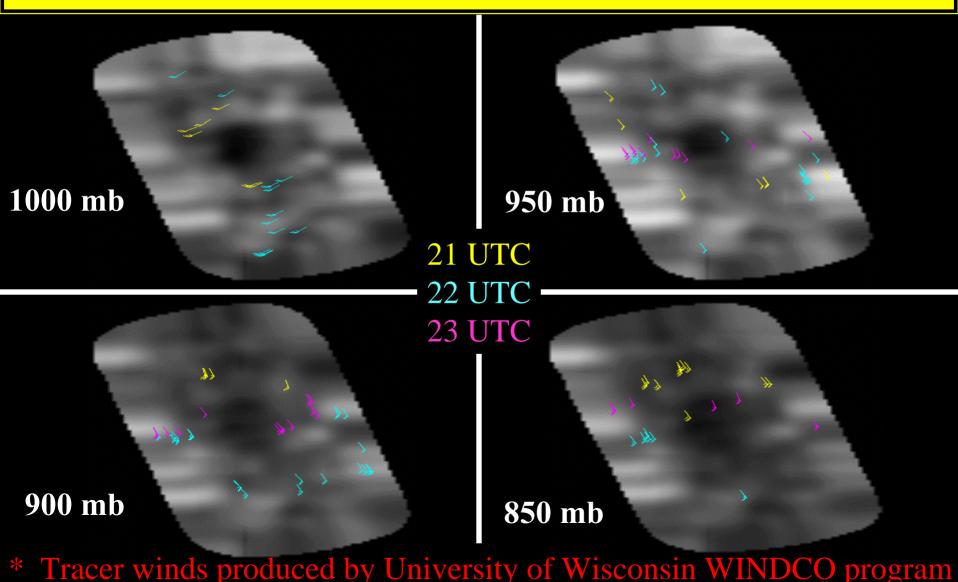
NAST Under flight by Twin Otter Doppler Wind LIDAR* Is Used to Validate Water Vapor Tracer Wind Profiles



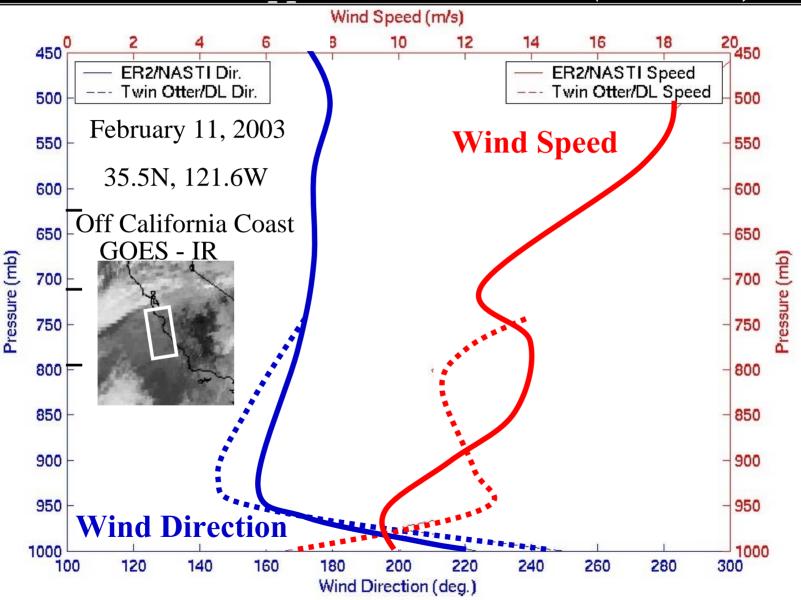
TODWL & NAST Observation Tracks

^{*} Courtesy of G. D. Emmett, Simpson Weather Associates

Automated* NAST Water Vapor Profile Tracer Winds Possess Excellent Time and Space Continuity



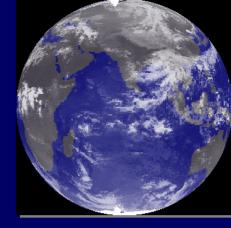
NAST H_2O Profile Winds Compare Favorably With Twin Otter Doppler LIDAR Winds (δ < 3 m/s)



GIFTS

- Anticipated Australian Contribution
- provide groundstation
- data reception
- data processing
- product generation

- product distribution to weather services and global NWP centres



- archive



Groundstation

- . Ground Station in WA
- . microwave link to receiving station
- . Processing, archive and distribution

Processing

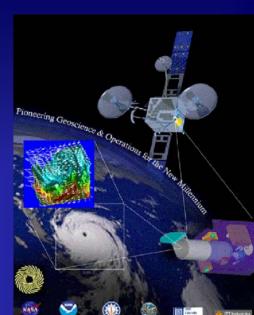
- . PC cluster approach
- . Consistency with SSEC/US processing i.e. similar systems
- . Transition from Pacific/Atlantic to Indian Ocean seamless (products and archive)

Archive and Dissemination

GIFTS

Day 1 Products

- Radiance Products
- * Selected channels
- * Superchannels
- * Eigenvectors
- * Pre Launch Data
- Winds conventional tracking / clear air 4D Var.
- Temperature and Moisture Soundings
- Sea Surface Temperature and Emissivity
- Land Surface Temperature and Emissivity
- O₃ amount and profile



GIFTS Winds

Image Processing

- Combining 10 second cubes to provide continuous fields
- Tracking of cloud features
- Multi-channel height assignment
- Tracking of moisture features on pressure surfaces

4-D Var.

- 10 second cubes used to provide T(p), r(p)
- 4-D Var. used to solve for <u>v</u>.
- later 4-D Var. used with Radiance product to solve for <u>v</u>.

Status of EO-3 Mission

- o All of the new GIFTS Technologies are developed, being tested, and meeting or exceeding requirements.
- o Instrument is expected to be completed, tested, and launch ready by the end of 2005
- o Currently identifying a spacecraft opportunity for a 2006-2009 launch, possibly through the US Air Force space test program
- o Australian Bureau of Meteorology to support GIFTS data acquisition, processing, distribution, and archival for an eastern hemisphere satellite position