

# Met/Theory Products for ATTREX

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LOTS OF OTHER PEOPLE

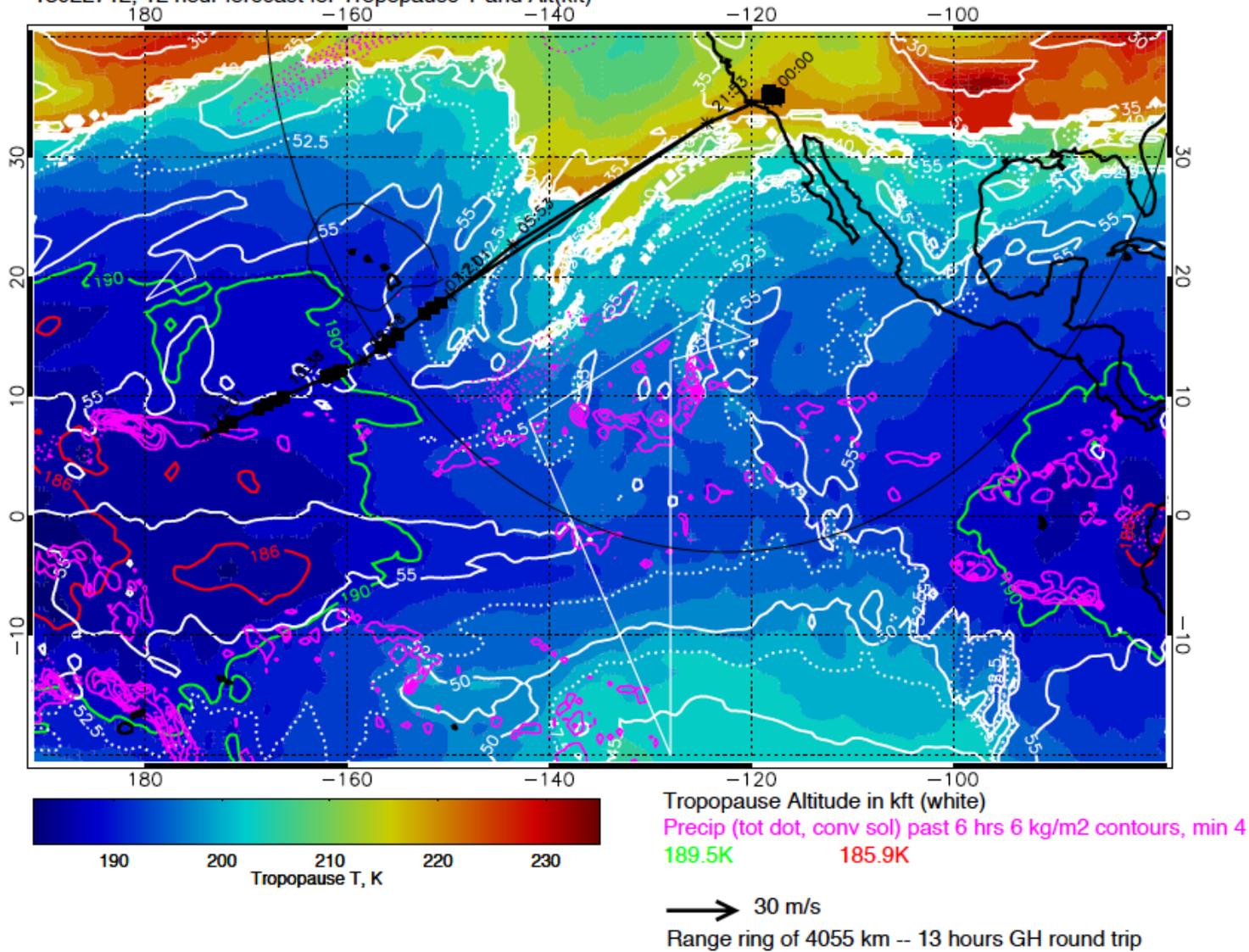
- Flight planning forecast products
- Flight planning data products
- Real Time Products

## Standard Model forecast products – GFS and GEOS-5 to 120 hours

Available on sites maintained at ARC (both GFS and GEOS-5 products), at GSFC (GEOS-5 only – GMAO and Paul Newman) and NCAR (GFS PV – from Shawn). Sample products include:

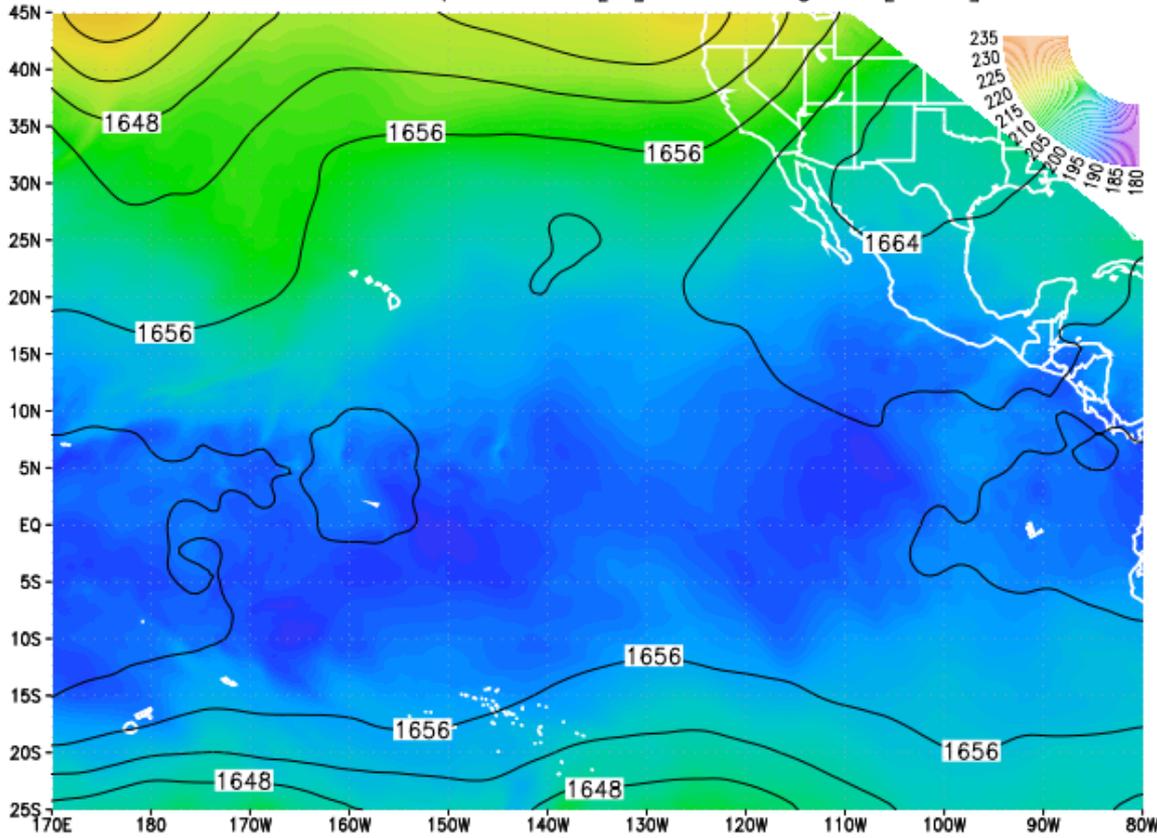
- Tropopause altitude, temperature (clouds, dehydration)
- High, Low, and Middle cloud incidence and cloud top altitudes (clouds, dehydration)
- Precipitation, RH (700, 500, 300), vertical velocity (convection locations)
- EPV from 150 to 50 mb (4 levels) (midlatitude transport)
- EPV from 355 to 380K (4 levels) (midlatitude transport)
- Shear-generated turbulence (GH safety)

13022712, 12 hour forecast for Tropopause T and Alt(kft)

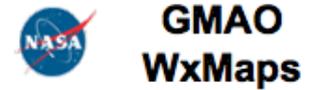


Sample forecast plot that I generate – note large coverage area, range ring. Plots planned flight tracks automatically. Old forecasts are retained and easily available for comparison.

NASA/GMAO – GEOS-5 Forecast Initialized on 00z 2013-06-14  
 100 hPa Temperature [K] and Heights [dam]



0 hr forecast valid Fri 00z 2013-06-14



Forecast Initial Time

2013-Jun-14 00z

Forecast Lead Hour

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Levels	3D Variables	2D Variables
<u>50</u>	PV	Low Cld
<u>70</u>	Vorticity	Middle Cld
<b>100</b>	<b>Temperature</b>	High Cld
<u>150</u>	Vert Velocity	Cld Op Thk Low
<u>200</u>	Humidity	Cld Op Thk Mid
<u>300</u>	Wind Speed	Cld Op Thk Hgh
<u>500</u>	Cld Frac	Dust AOT
<u>700</u>	Dust Mass	Fine AOT
<u>850</u>		Precip & SLP

**Animate**

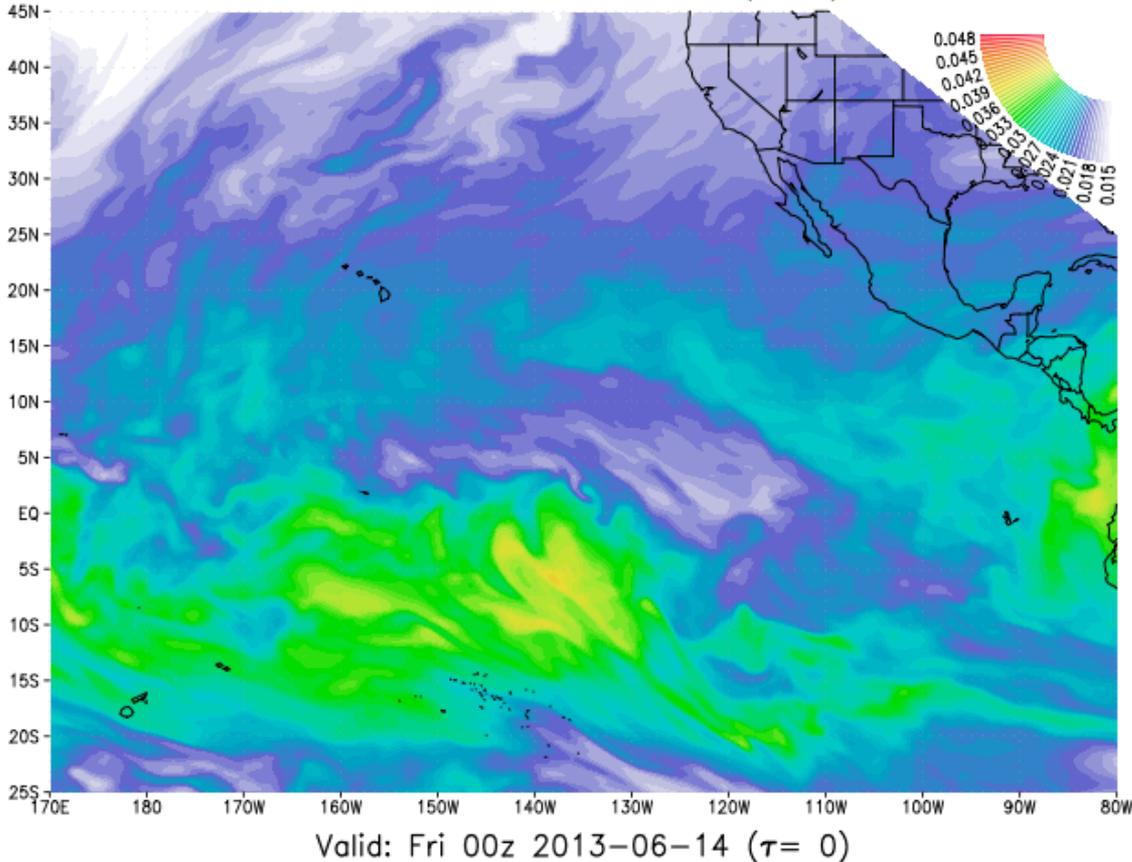


GEOS-5 ATTREX Mission Support  
 GEOS-5 ATTREX Chem Weather

GMAO met fields animator, with a variety of met products at a variety of altitudes.

# CO and Aerosol Forecasts to 120 hours (from GMAO/GSFC)

NASA/GMAO - GEOS-5 Forecast Initialized on 00z 2013-06-14  
70 hPa CO concentration(\*1e7)



**GMAO  
WxMaps**

Forecast Initial Time

◀ 2013-Jun-14 00z ▶

Forecast Lead Hour

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Levels	3D CO	3D Aerosols & Others
<u>50</u>	<b>CO Concentration</b>	
<u>70</u>	CO BB Africa	Dust Mass
<u>100</u>	CO BB Eurasia	Black Carbon
<u>150</u>	CO BB N. Amer.	Organic Carbon
<u>200</u>	CO BB OTHER	SO2
<u>300</u>	CO BB S. Amer.	SO4
<u>500</u>	CO FF Asia	
<u>700</u>	CO FF Europe	
<u>850</u>	CO FF N. Amer.	

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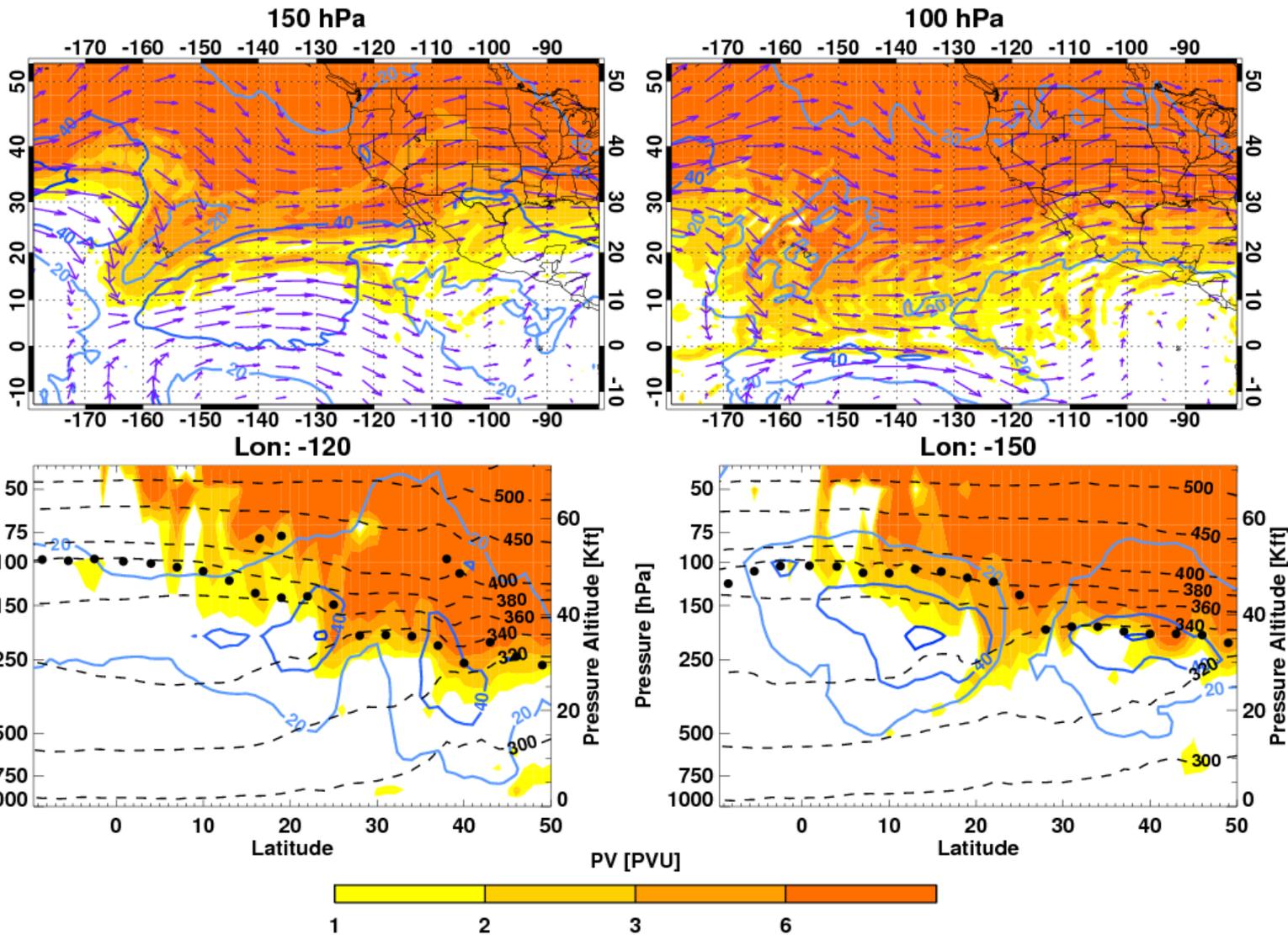


[GMAO Experimental Forecast Suite](#)  
[GEOS-5 ATTREX Mission Support](#)

GMAO CO tracer and aerosols animator

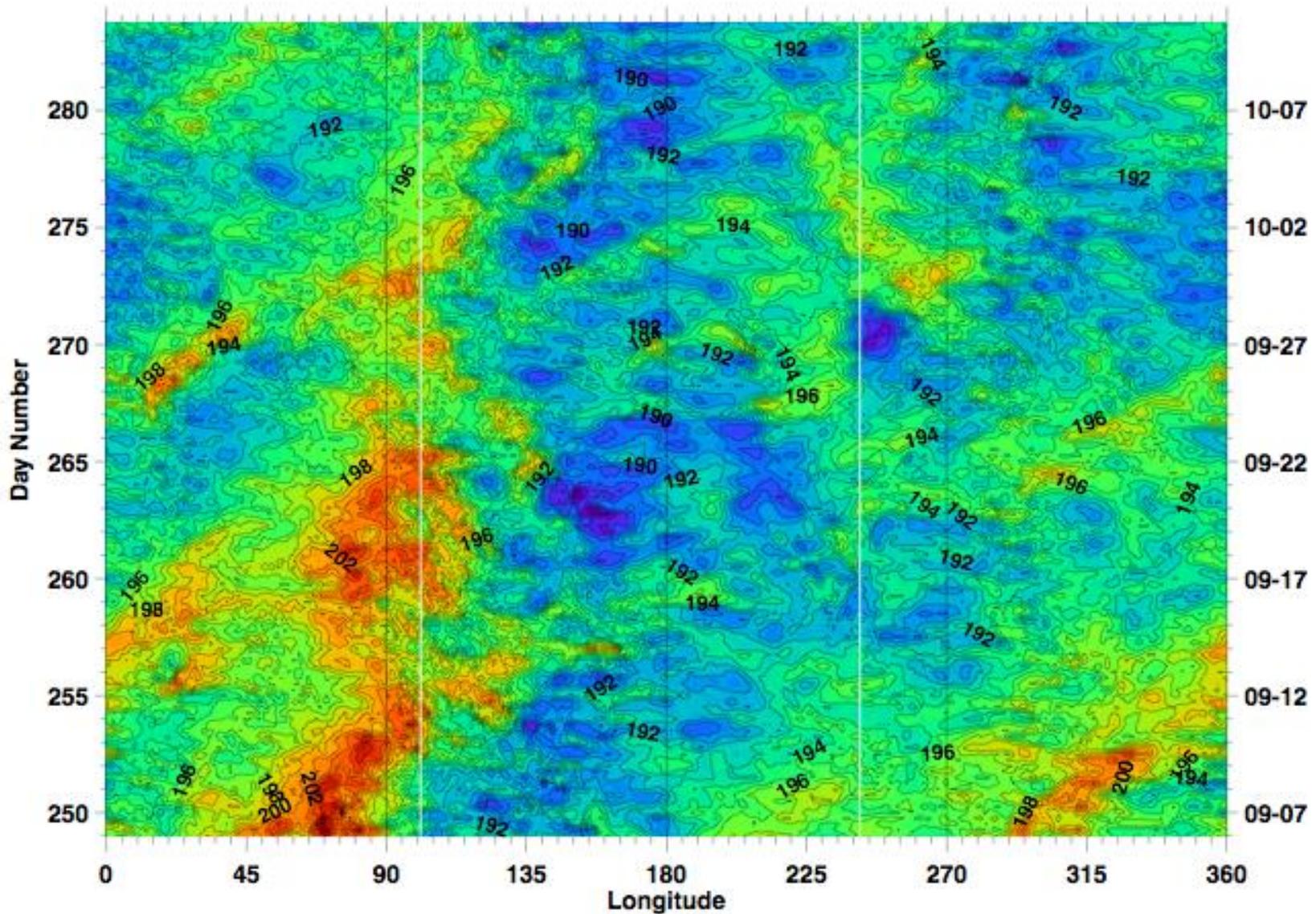
PV [PVU], Winds [m/s], Theta [K], & Tropopause - 1.0 x 1.0 Deg. Resolution

Initialized: 03/04/2013 12:00 UTC Fcst Time: 03/06/2013 12:00 UTC



Shawn's PV plots and X-sections (animated) to look at transport into the tropics.

# Total OS 100hPa



Mon Oct 21 12:08:20 2013

Paul A. Newman (NASA/GSFC)

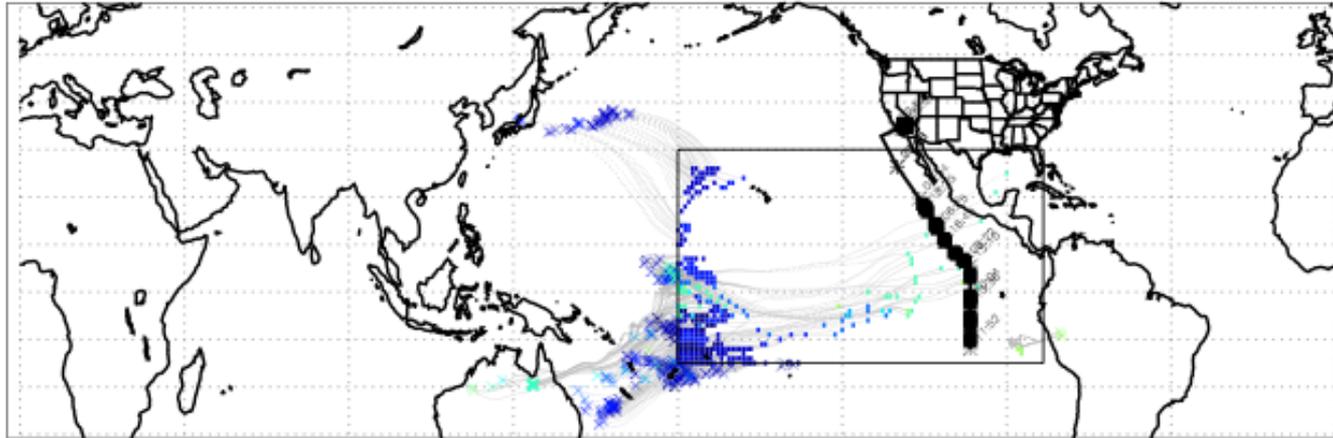
Hovmuller diagrams (P Newman) of GEOS-5 temperatures at several latitudes/altitudes – when fully active, includes GEOS-5 forecasts. Purpose is to capture equatorial wave behavior to help interpret forecasts. Also useful for **wave component** of ATTREX science issues

# Trajectory based Forecast products

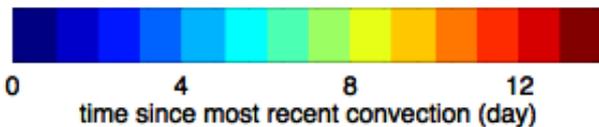
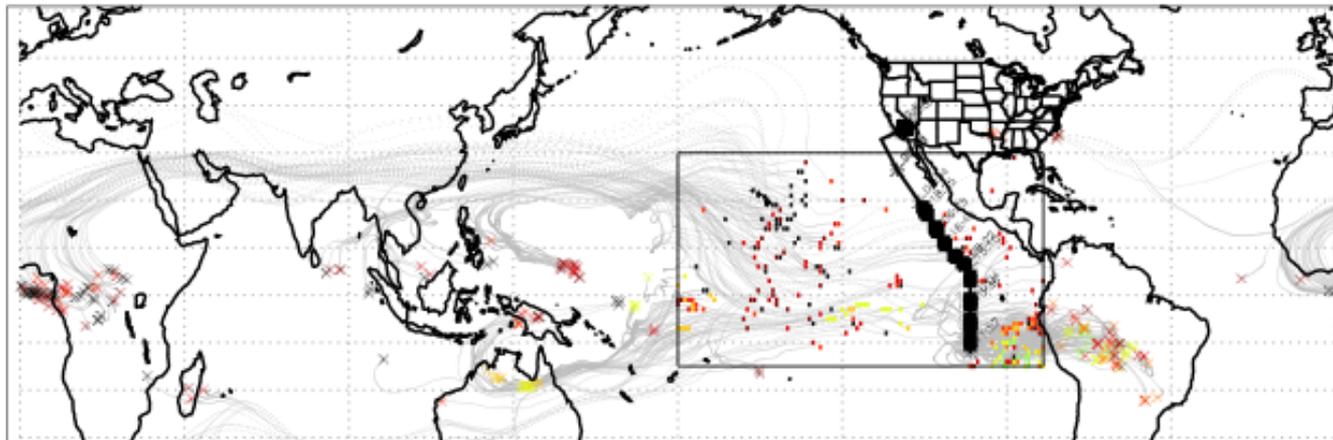
- RDFs (EPV) (Transport from midlatitudes)
- Convective influence (convection)
- Two thin cirrus cloud forecast products (cirrus dehydration)

## Convectively-influenced 14-day back trajectory at 53 kft level from boxed region on 02/21/2013, 00Z

Fig. 4: Trajectories influenced by most recent convection that occurs outside of boxed region at location X.

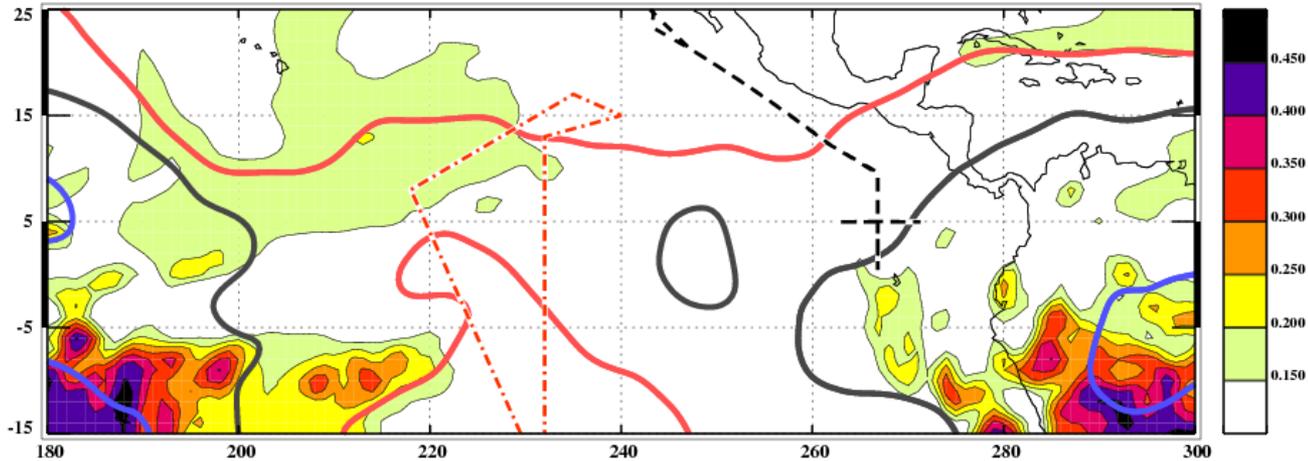


Rei Ueyama's  
convective  
influence product.



Air influenced by convection (based on satellite data, forecast convection, and GFS BTs). Top, short term (0-7 days), bottom, long term. Up to two days in advance. Can do this down to 43-45K.

**Thin Cloud Probability: 15.25 km to 17.00 km**



Max value = 4.785e-01

Min value = 0.000e+00

Forecast run: 03-04-2013 12Z

Verification Time: 03-06-2013 12Z

Model version: AX03v01.01

Using Temperature averaged over 100-150 mb

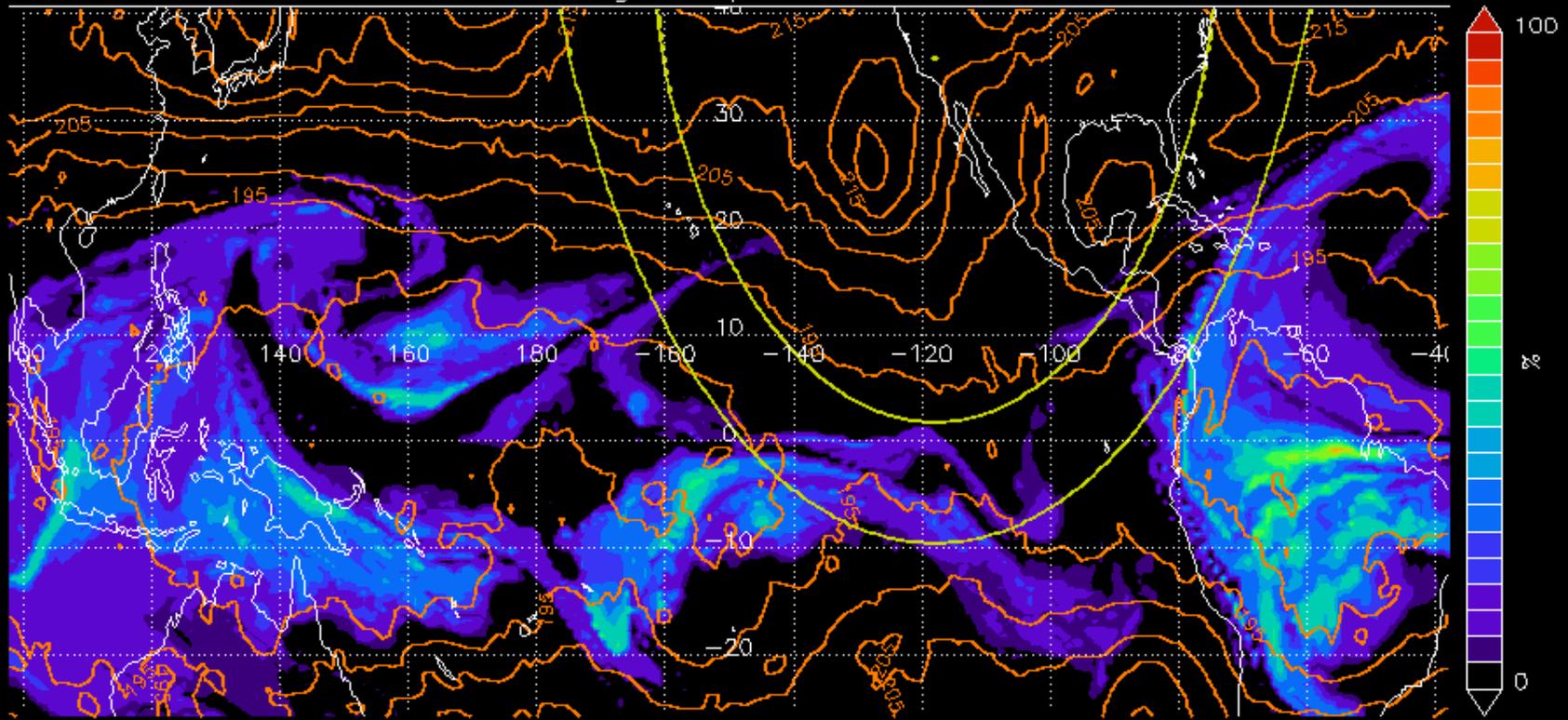
— 198 K

— 200 K

— 202 K

John Bergman's thin cloud probability, based on temperature and altitude history.

Cloud\_Prob\_over\_integration\_period\_20130121-20130125



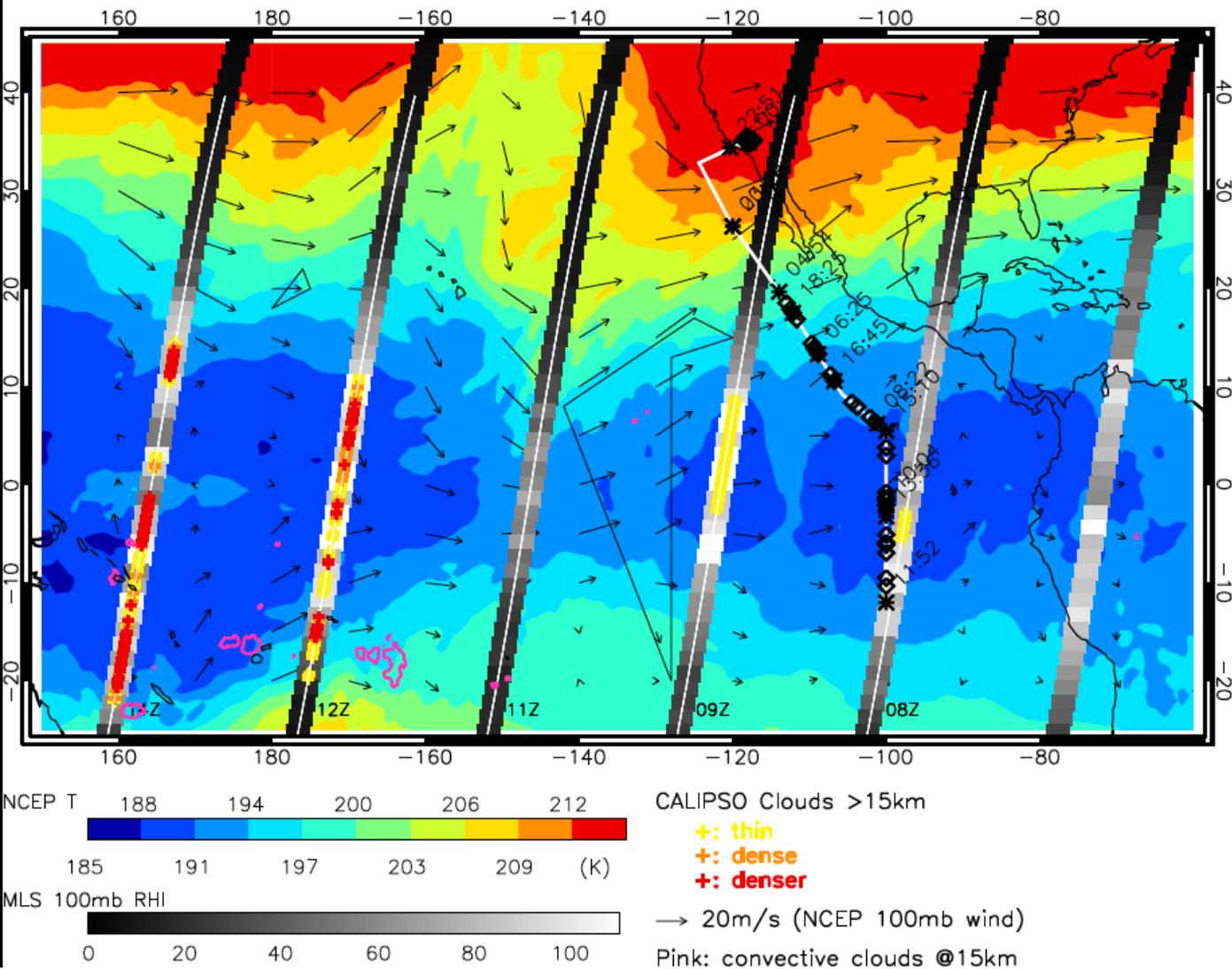
Integ length = 4d, Pot. Temp. 375 Satur. Rel. Hum.100 T offset -2

Forecast thin cirrus probability from Mark Schoeberl, based on 3-day back trajectories (temperature history), initialized with MLS water, and fed by forecast and satellite-based convection.

For most of the deployment, John's and Mark's forecasts were broadly similar.

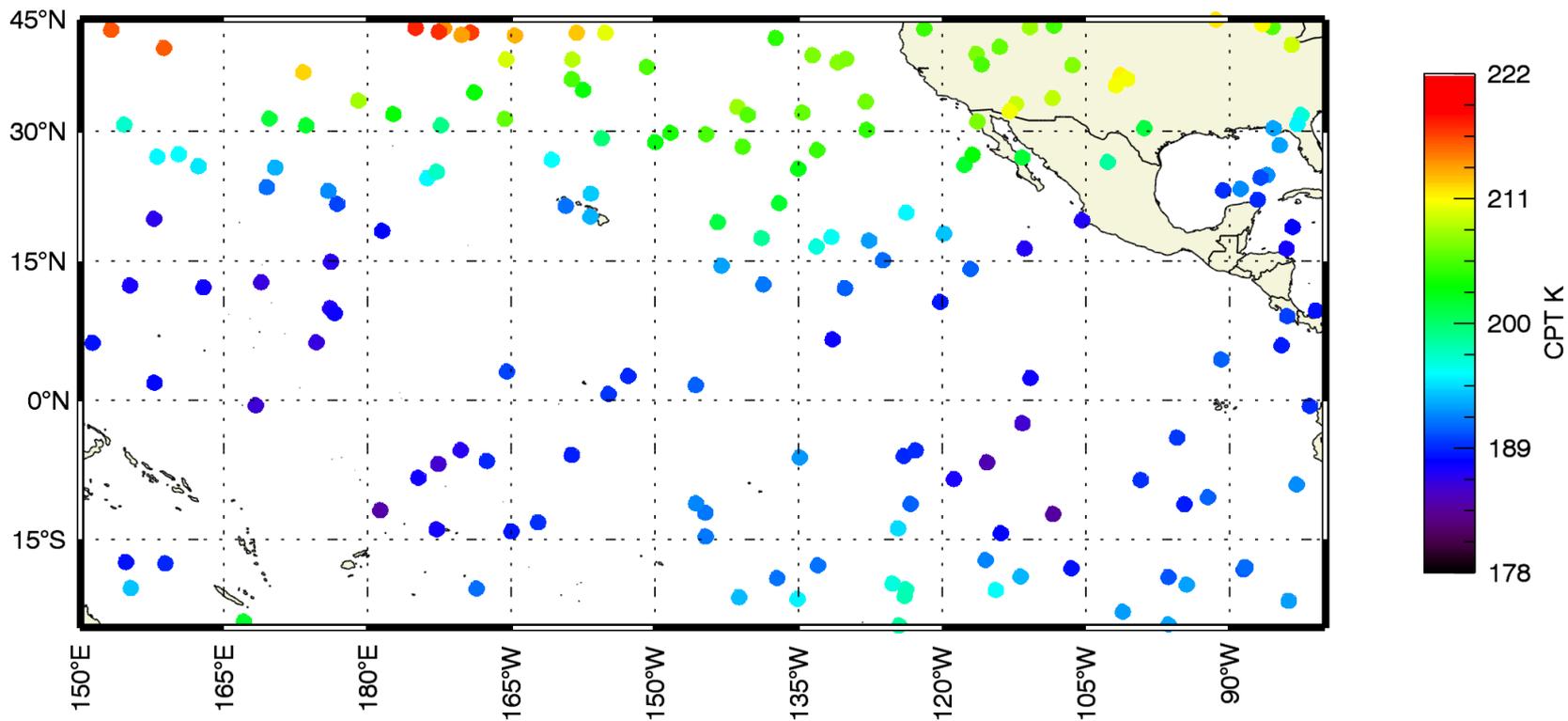
# Specialized Data Products

- Calipso thin clouds
- MLS water
- Observed GPS temperatures



Ji-Eun Kim's combined MLS, Calipso, IR imagery, and 100mb temperature product. We also got near real time CALIPSO products from Langley

# COSMIC CPT: 2013/02/13

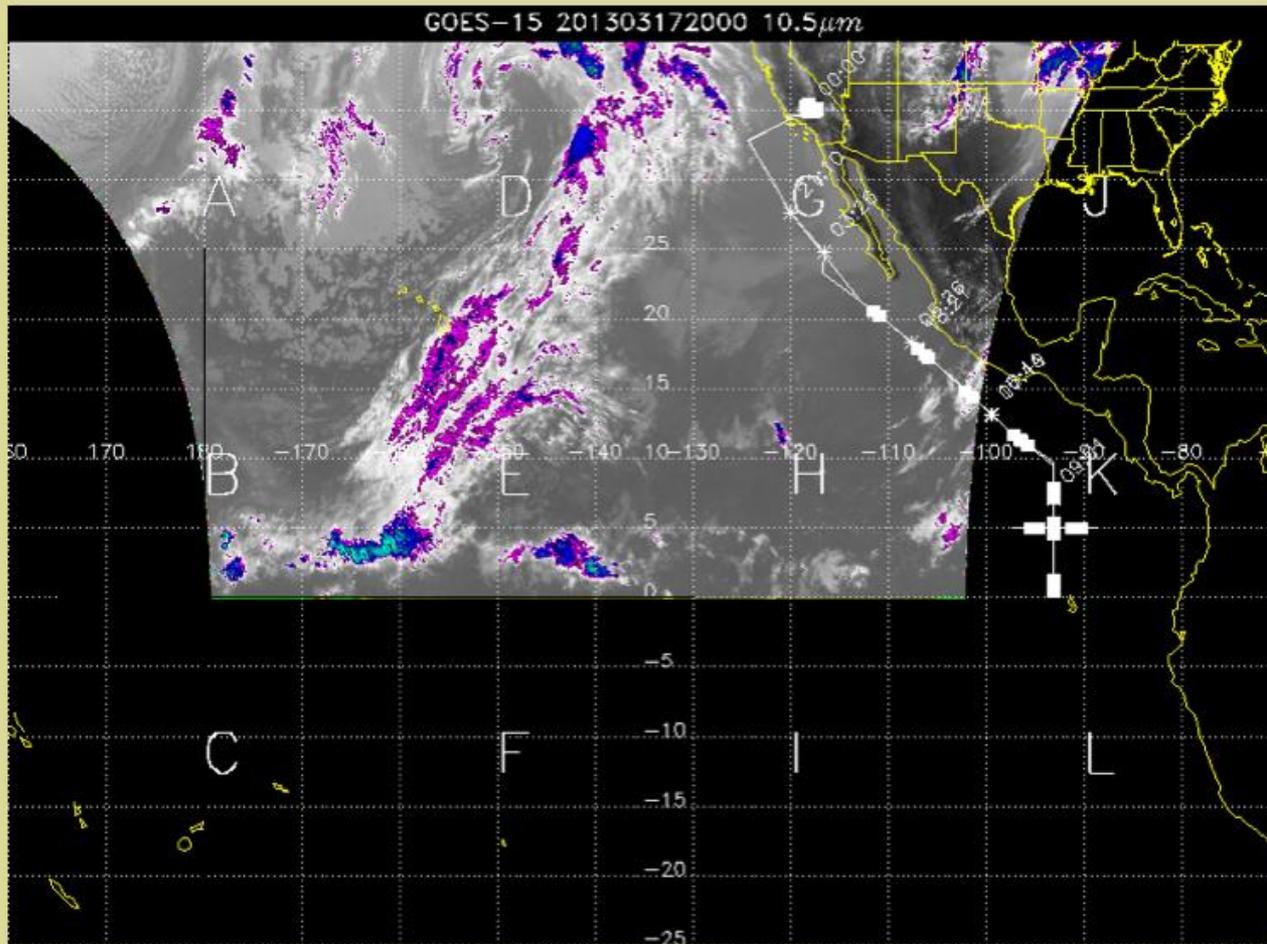


Cold point temps from COSMIC GPS (Stephanie Evan, also Shawn from NCAR)

# Real Time Products

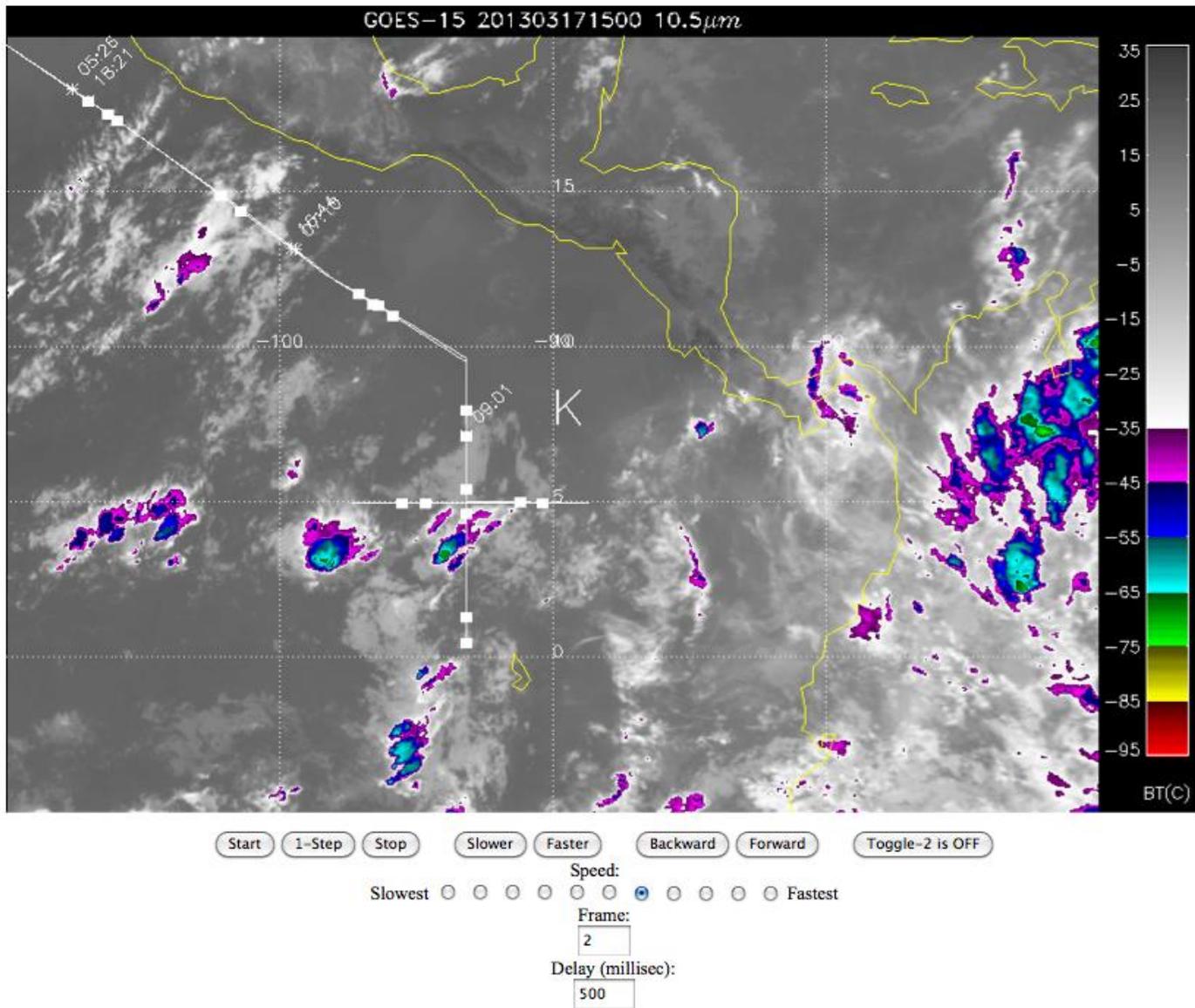
- Satellite imagery (water vapor, visible, IR – MTSAT)
- Mission Tools

There are 12 sectors in image;  
Click on Letter to see sub-image loop  
each small image is 40 deg wide by 25 deg tall



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Clickable subsectors, flight track loaded automatically, also current aircraft position.  
Developed by Marion Legg and myself.



Full-resolution IR subsector, with automatic flight track, aircraft position.

## Mission Tools Suite (developed by Aaron Duley at ARC for NASA aircraft field programs)

- Analogous to NCAR's mission coordinator.
- Supports several aircraft at once on a map.
- Standard overlays include radar (US) and lightning (world).
- Project supplied (and “on the web”) satellite imagery.
- Any project supplied two-d product (e.g., temperature at the tropopause, forecast PV, or other target).



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Select an aircraft ...

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Actions

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Map

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 NAPLN/USPLN/GLN Lightning Last 60 min

 NAPLN/USPLN/GLN Lightning Last 30 min

 NAPLN/USPLN/GLN Lightning Last 15 min

 NAPLN/USPLN/GLN Lightning Last 5 min

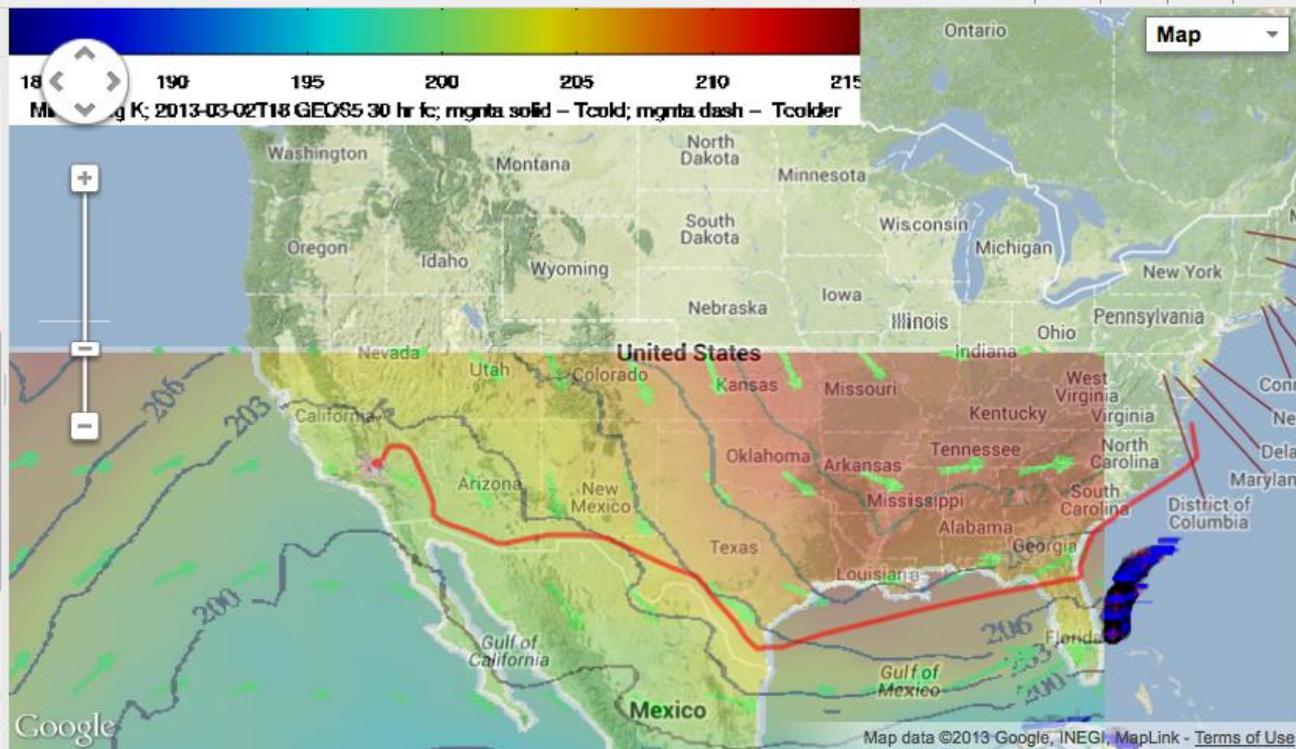
 NAPLN/USPLN/GLN Lightning Last 1 min

 NAPLN/USPLN/GLN Lightning Last 10 min

 Recent Lightning (Simple)

 Aircraft Payload

 Forecast & Model Products

 Minimum Temperature Field


This shows an example. User supplied 2-D field (my graphic of minimum temperature), along with lightning, and the GH flight path from Wallops to DFRC.

# Web page – basically organized bookmarks

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ATTREX 2013**

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# Updates for 2014

- In process of shifting map areas to West Pac.
- Shifting to different satellites
- Given size of domain, may go to two areas instead of one.
- Expect phased opening of web site to start in about a month.