

The GOES-17 Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI)

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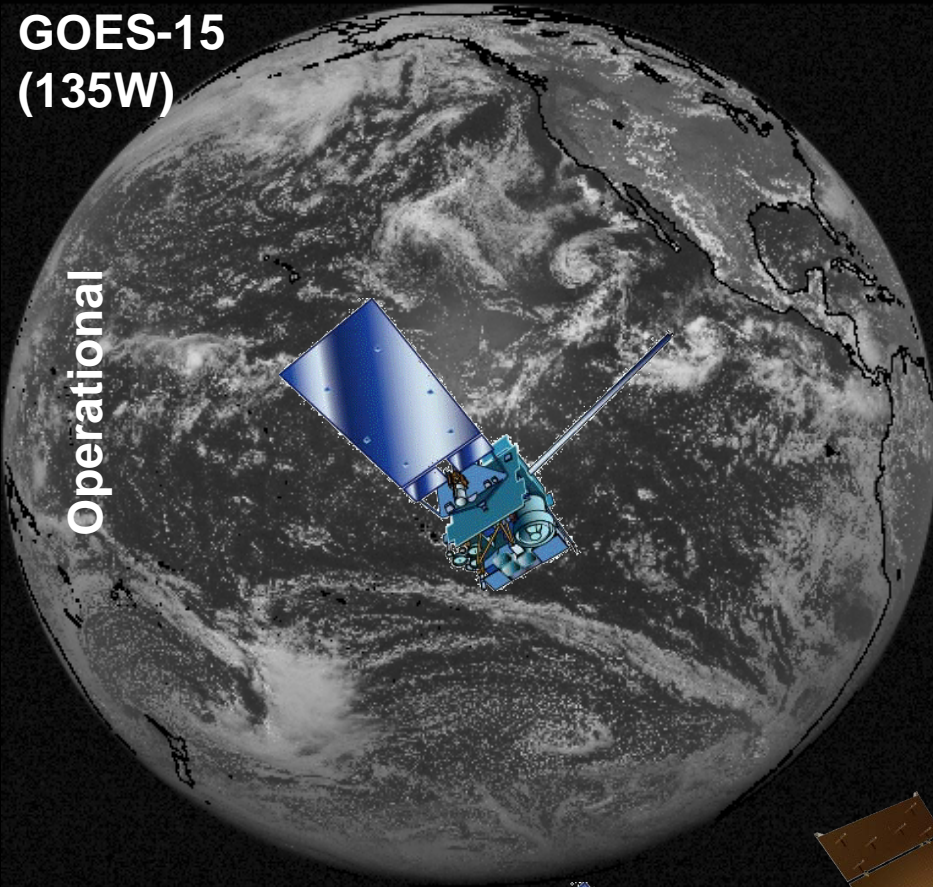


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NOAA GOES Constellation (2018)

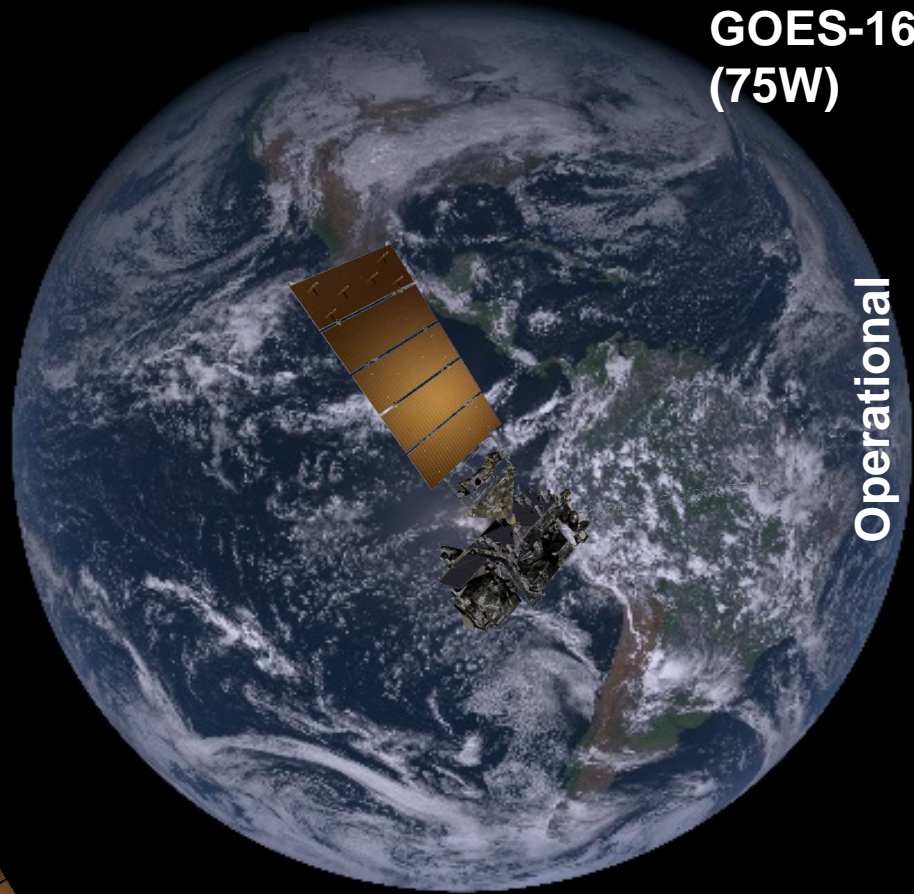


**GOES-15
(135W)**



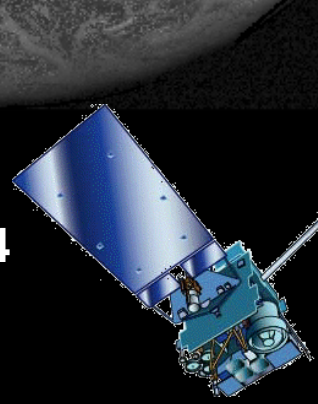
Operational

**GOES-16
(75W)**

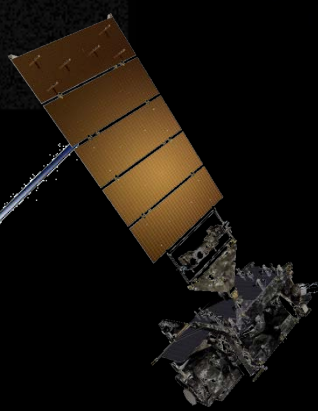


Operational

**GOES-14
(105W)
Back-up**



**GOES-17
(90W)
Testing
(Will move to 137W)**

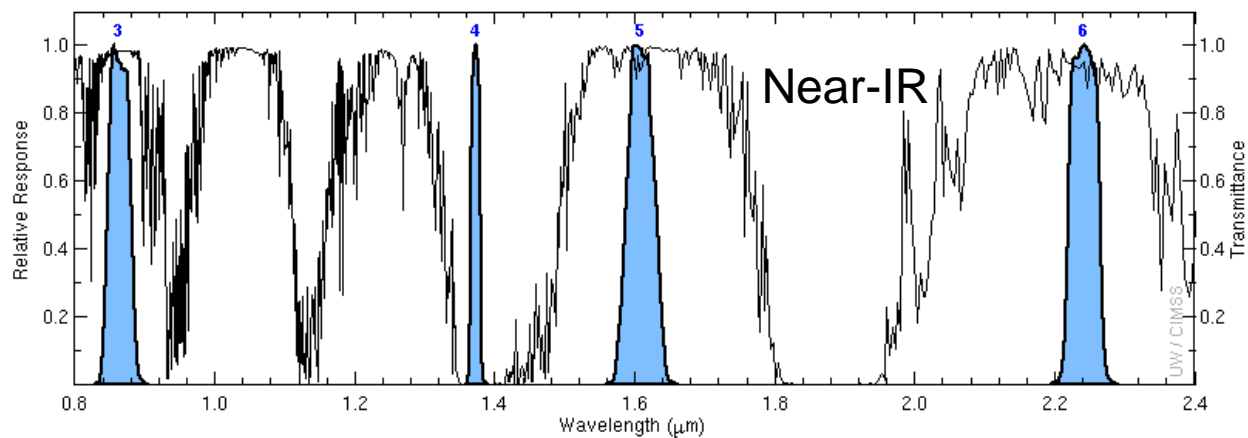
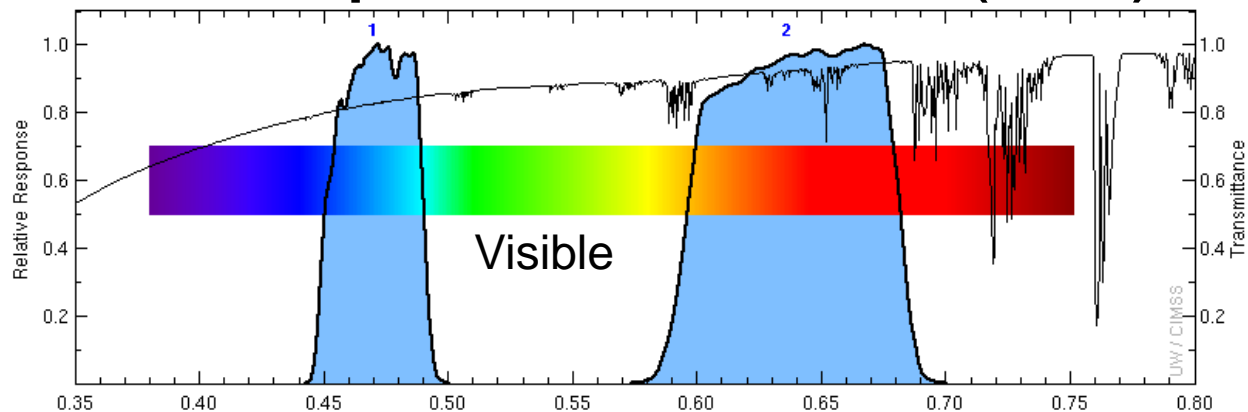


ABI: Bands 1-6 (Visible / NearIR)

| ABI Band | Wavelength (μm) | Wavelength range (μm) | Sub-point pixel spacing (km) | Descriptive Name |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 0.47 | 0.45 - 0.49 | 1 | "Blue" |
| ★ 2 | 0.64 | 0.60 - 0.68 | 0.5 | "Red" |
| 3 | 0.864 | 0.847 - 0.882 | 1 | "Veggie" |
| 4 | 1.373 | 1.366 - 1.380 | 2 | "Cirrus" |
| 5 | 1.61 | 1.59 - 1.63 | 1 | "Snow/Ice" |
| 6 | 2.24 | 2.22 - 2.27 | 2 | "Cloud Particle Size" |

Six visible or near visible bands on ABI, one on heritage imager

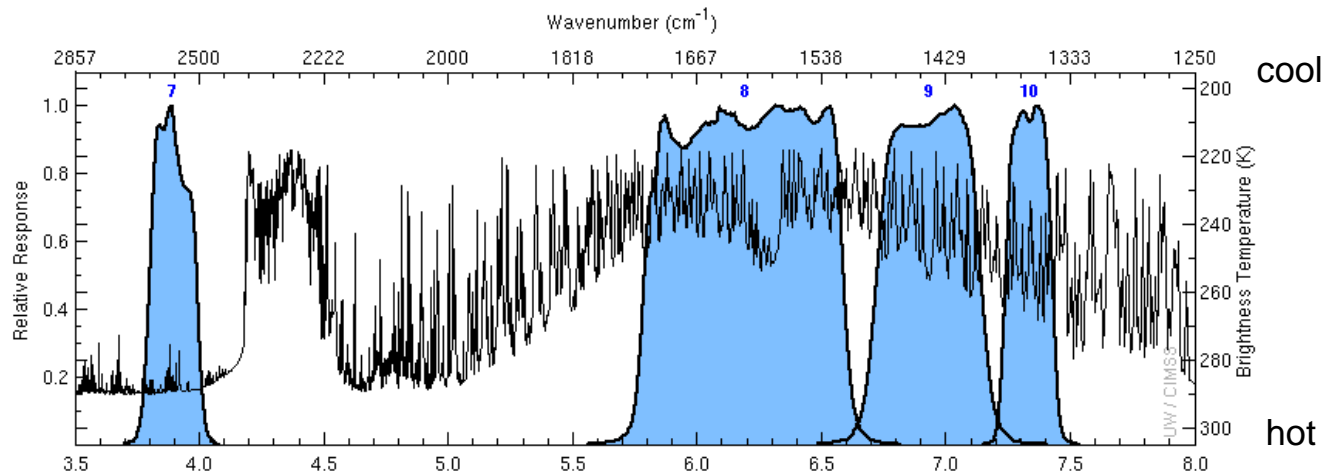
ABI Spectral Bands (1-6)



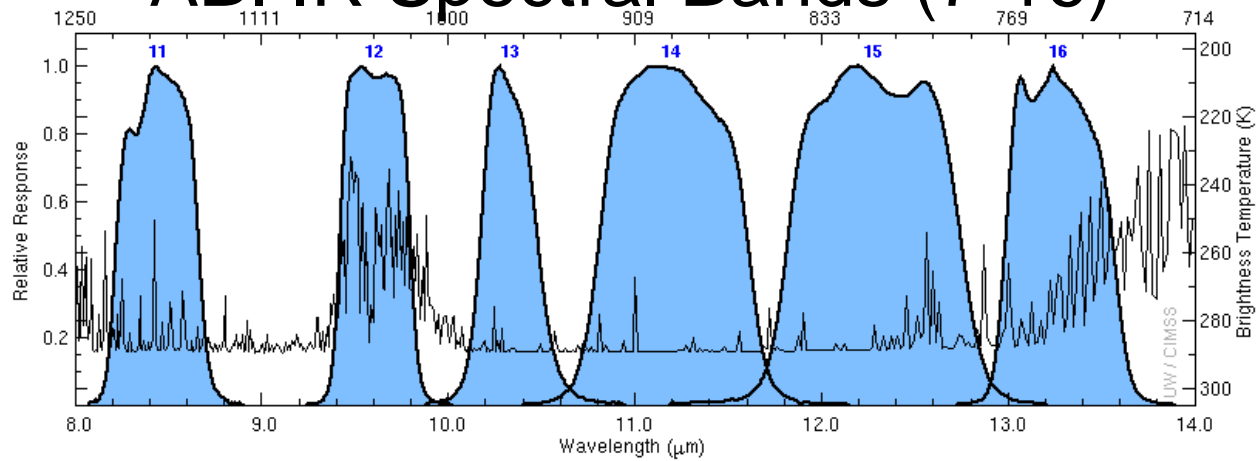
ABI: Bands 7-16 (Infrared)

| ABI Band | Wavelength h (μm) | Wavelength range (μm) | Sub-point pixel spacing (km) | Descriptive Name |
|----------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ★ 7 | 3.90 | 3.80 - 3.99 | 2 | “Shortwave window” |
| ★ 8 | 6.19 | 5.79 - 6.59 | 2 | “Upper-level Water Vapor” |
| 9 | 6.93 | 6.72 - 7.14 | 2 | “Mid-Level Water Vapor” |
| 10 | 7.34 | 7.24 - 7.43 | 2 | “Lower/Mid-level Water Vapor” |
| 11 | 8.44 | 8.23 - 8.66 | 2 | “Cloud-top Phase” |
| 12 | 9.61 | 9.42 - 9.80 | 2 | “Ozone” |
| 13 | 10.33 | 10.18 - 10.48 | 2 | “Clean longwave window” |
| ★ 14 | 11.21 | 10.82 - 11.60 | 2 | “Longwave window” |
| 15 | 12.29 | 11.83 - 12.75 | 2 | “Dirty longwave window” |
| ★ 16 | 13.28 | 12.99 - 13.56 | 2 | “CO ₂ ” |

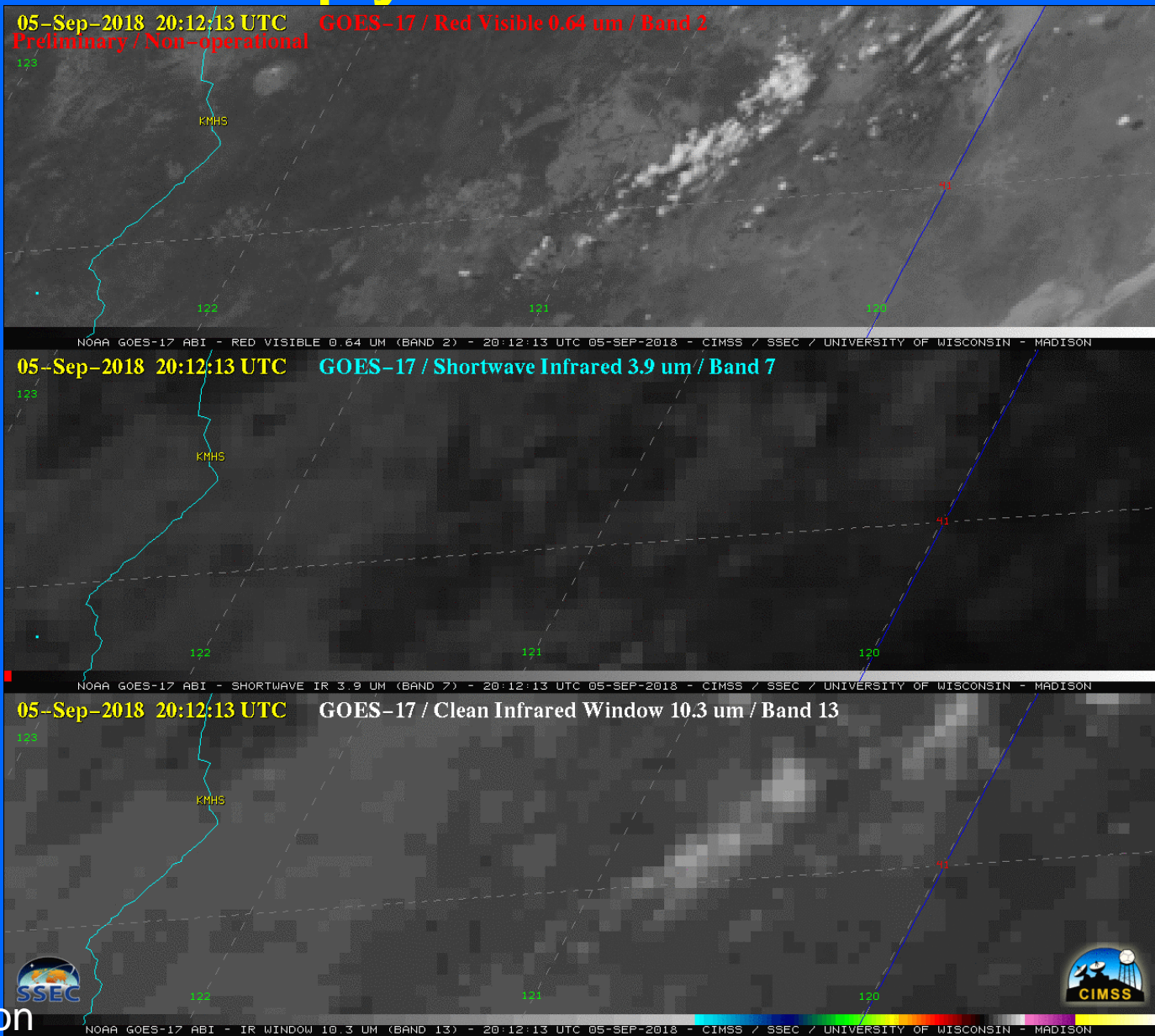
10 infrared bands on the ABI, four on heritage imager



ABI IR Spectral Bands (7-16)



Delta Fire pyroCumulonimbus in CA

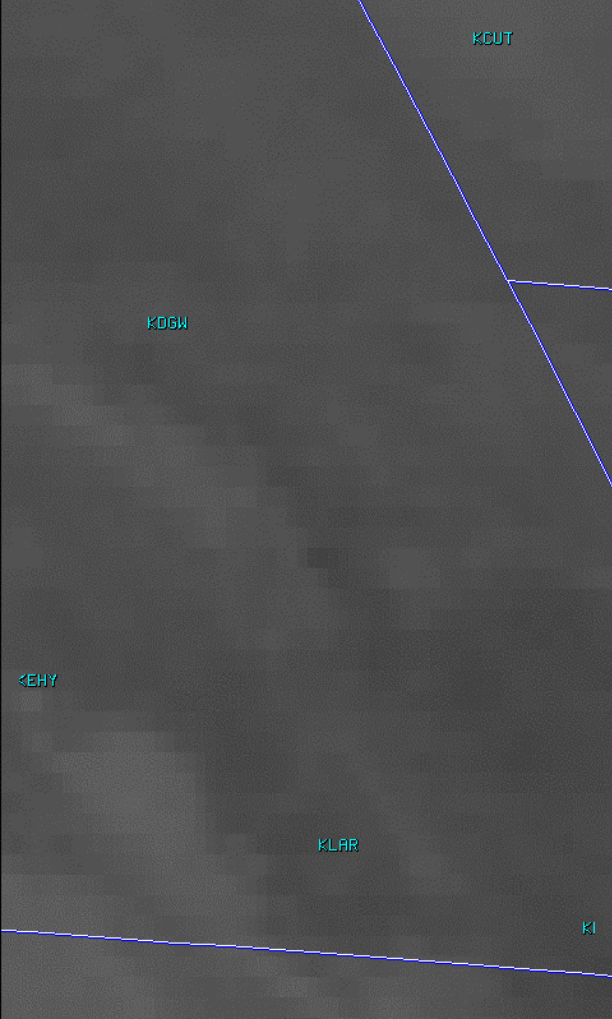


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Animation

WY Wildfire (GOES-15/17/16)

29-Aug-2018 15:00:00 UTC
GOES-15 / Shortwave IR 3.9 um / Band 2



SFC ID at 15 UTC on 29 Aug 2018



GOES-15 SWIR 3.9 UM 15:00 UTC 29-AUG-2018

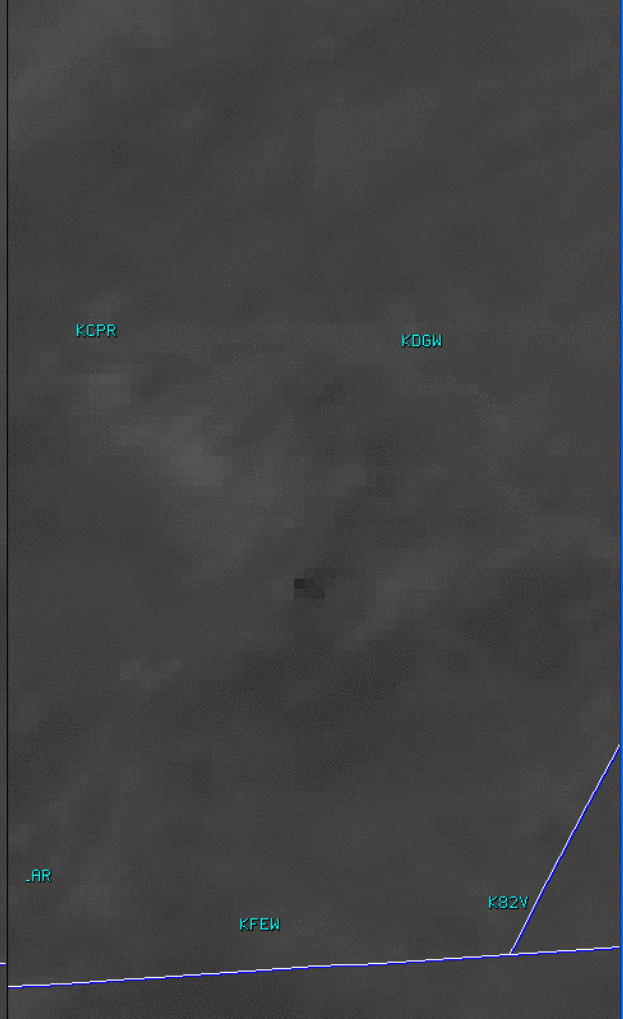
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GOES-17 / Shortwave IR 3.9 um / Band 7
Preliminary / Non-operational



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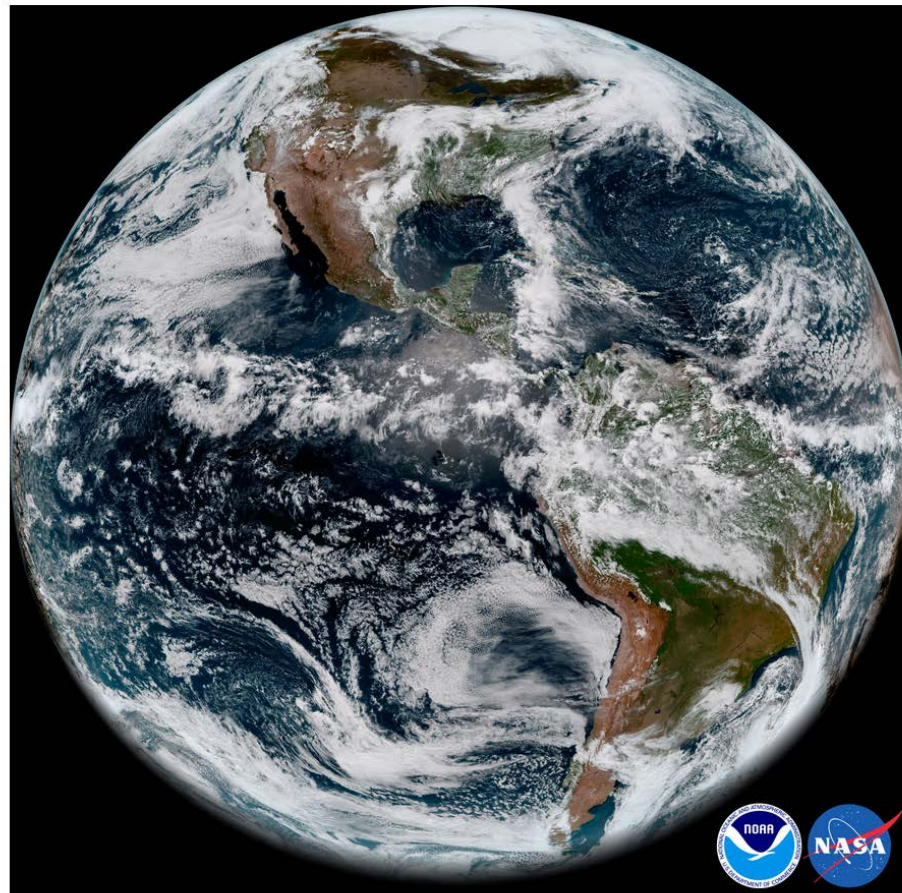


GOES-17 ABI First Light Release



- Visible bands:
- May 31, 2018
- Data: May 20

The first imagery from NOAA's GOES-17 Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI) made its public debut today.



GOES-17 took this stunning, full-disk snapshot of Earth's Western Hemisphere from its checkout position at 12:00 p.m. EDT on May 20, 2018, using the Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI) instrument. GOES-17 observes Earth from an equatorial vantage point approximately 22,300 miles above the surface. Credit: NOAA/NASA

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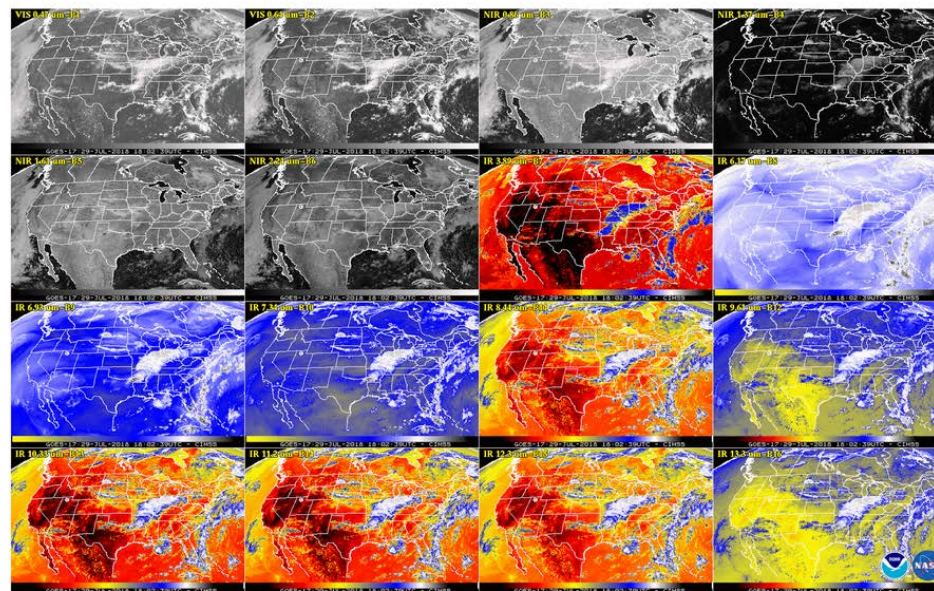


GOES-17 ABI IR First Light Release



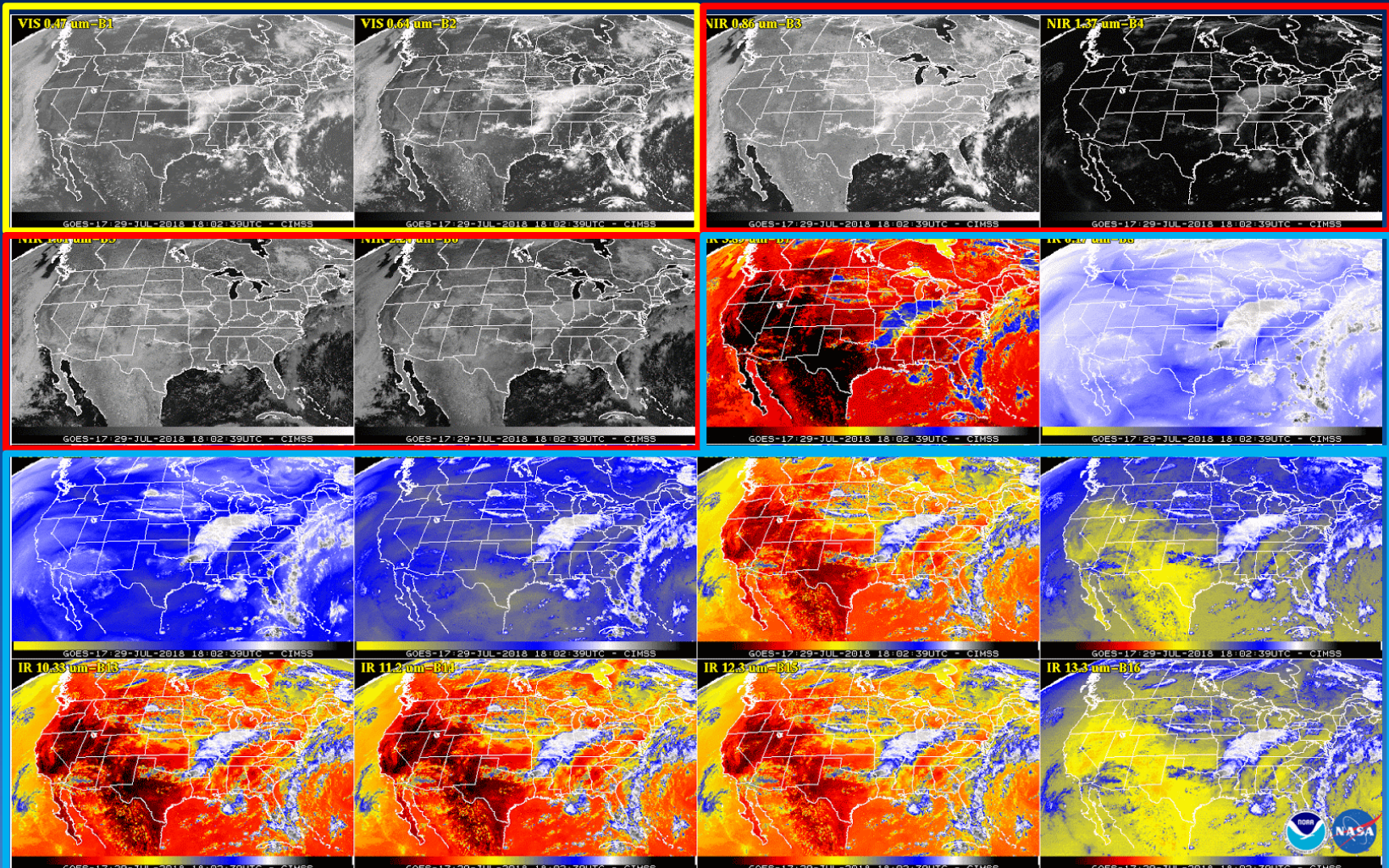
- All bands,
- including infrared
- August 8, 2018
- Data: July 29

While experts continue addressing an issue with the cooling system of GOES-17's Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI), they have made progress in increasing the available observing time of the affected infrared channels. Due to adjustments in operating procedures, the ABI is demonstrating improved performance from initial observations.



This 16-panel image shows a snapshot of the continental U.S. and surrounding oceans from each of the Advanced Baseline Imager channels at 2:02 p.m. EDT on July 29, 2018. This includes, from top left to bottom right, two visible channels, four near-infrared channels, and ten infrared channels. Each channel has a specific purpose in discerning meteorological and environmental features. A number of features can be seen in this image, including clouds over the mid-Mississippi region and off both coasts, the warm land temperatures over the Western U.S., and atmospheric moisture. This imagery was captured between the instrument's "cool" and "warm" season, when all 16 channels are available 24 hours per day. During the instrument's "warm" seasons, varied data outages are expected for 9 of the channels during nighttime hours. The ABI's increased channels provide three times more spectral information than the previous GOES imager. Credit: NOAA/NASA

ABI GOES-17 Spectral Bands (16)

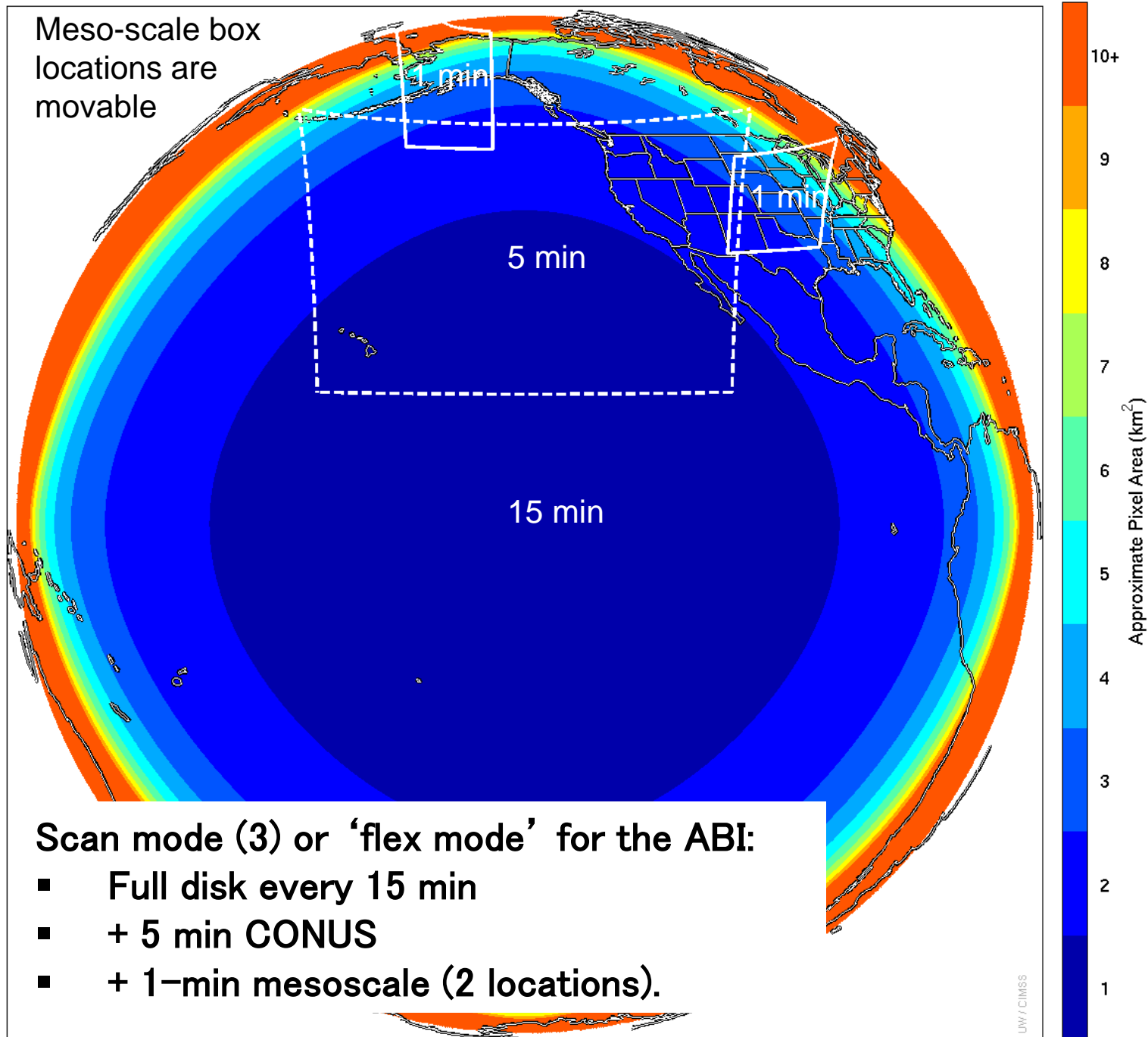


2 VIS

4 NIR

10 IR

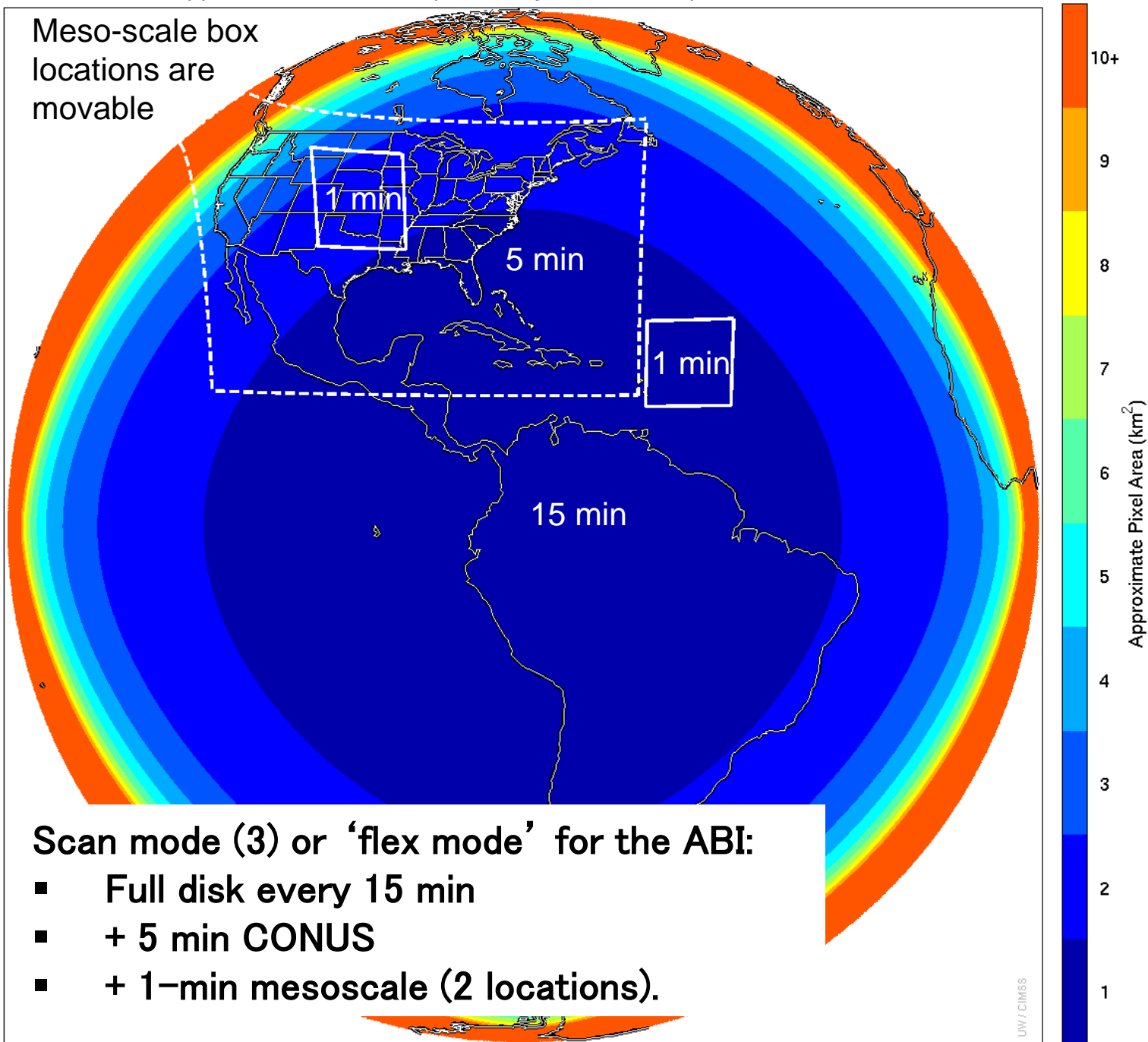
Meso-scale box locations are movable



Scan mode (3) or 'flex mode' for the ABI:

- Full disk every 15 min
- + 5 min CONUS
- + 1-min mesoscale (2 locations).

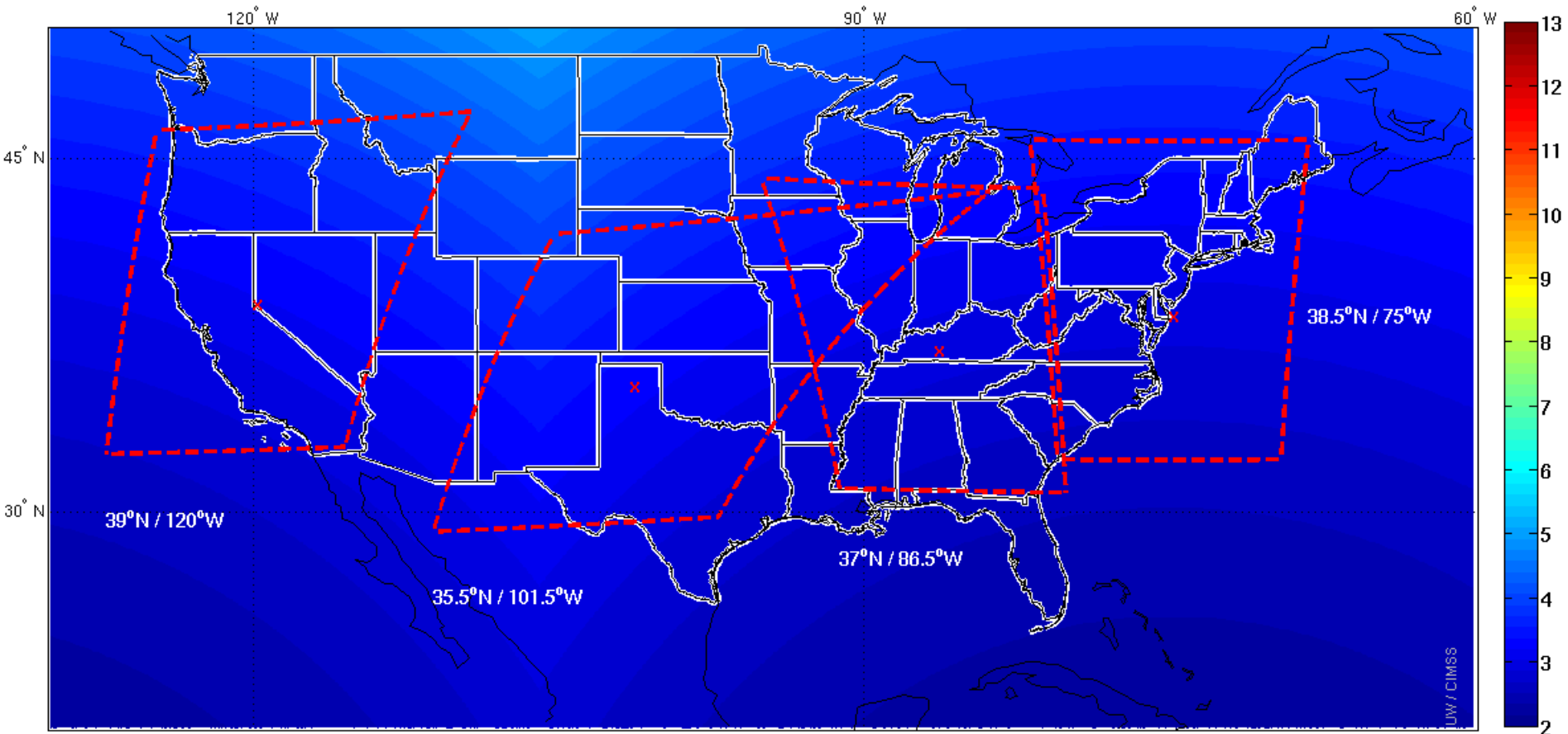
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Default Meso Locations

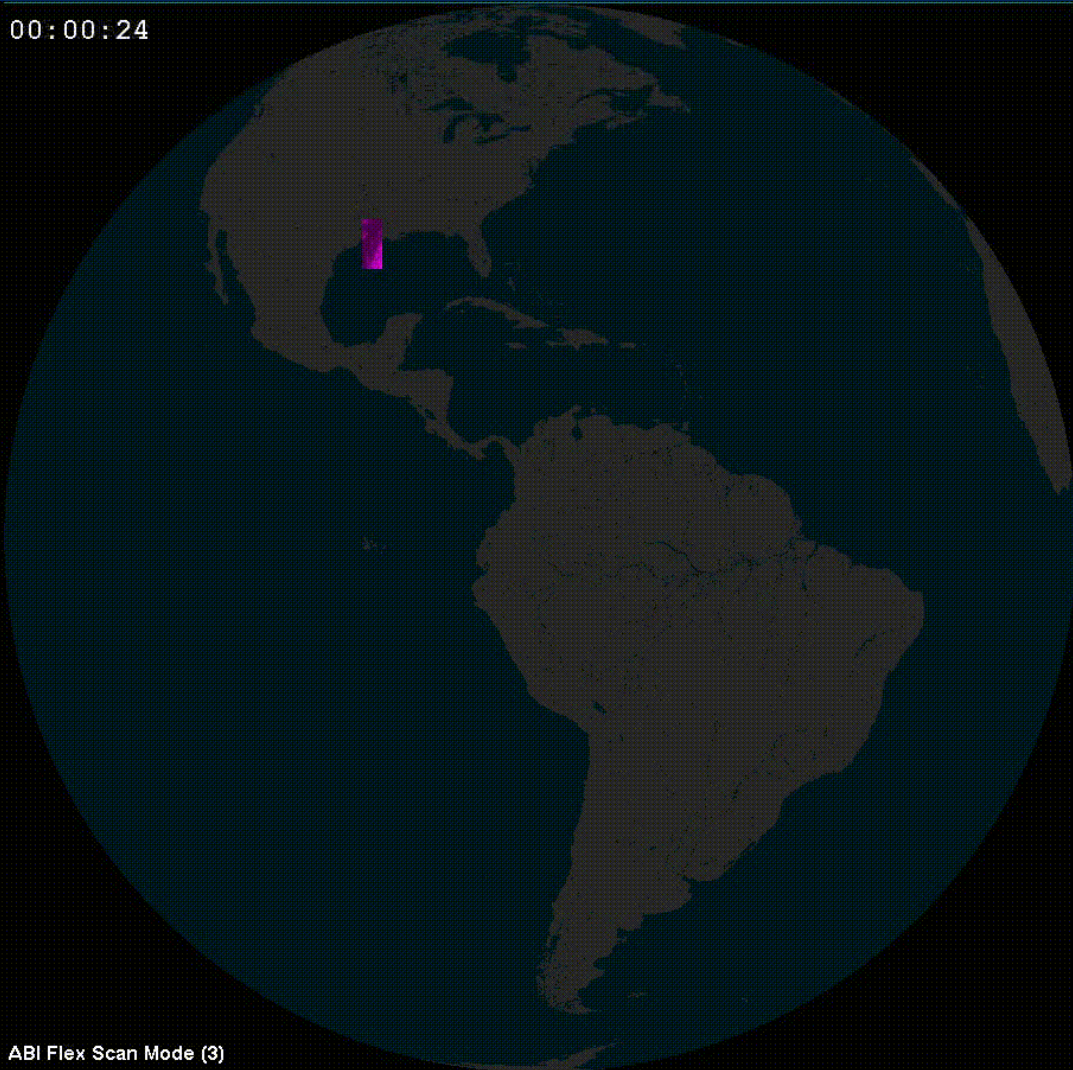


GOES-R Era West (137W) & East (75W) Pixel Size with potential default Mesoscale scan location examples

Two meso from GOES-West and two from GOES-East

ABI - 5 times faster coverage

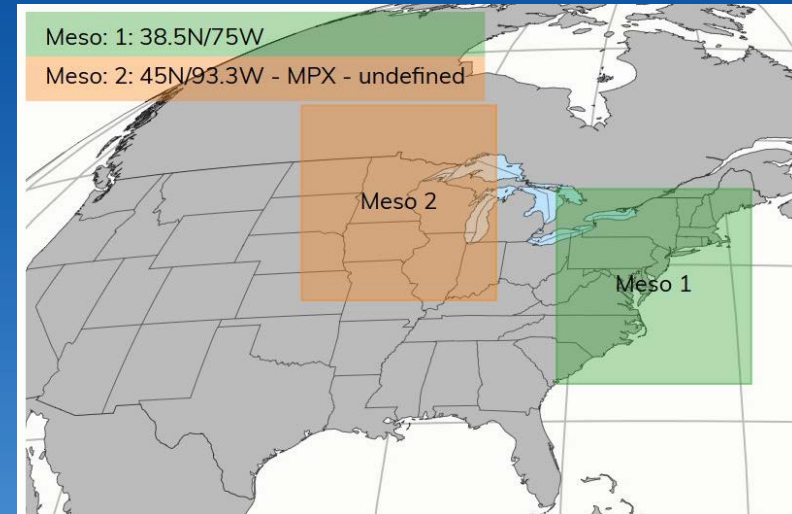
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ABI Flex Scan Mode (3)

| | GOES-16: <i>Flex Mode</i> | Previous: <i>Routine</i> |
|------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Full Disk: | 15 min | 3-hr |
| CONUS: | 5 min | 15-min |
| Mesoscale: | 1-min <i>or 30-sec</i> | n/a |

PLUS – Flex mode scanning!



Animation

Credit: Rick Kohrs and Margaret Mooney, CIMSS

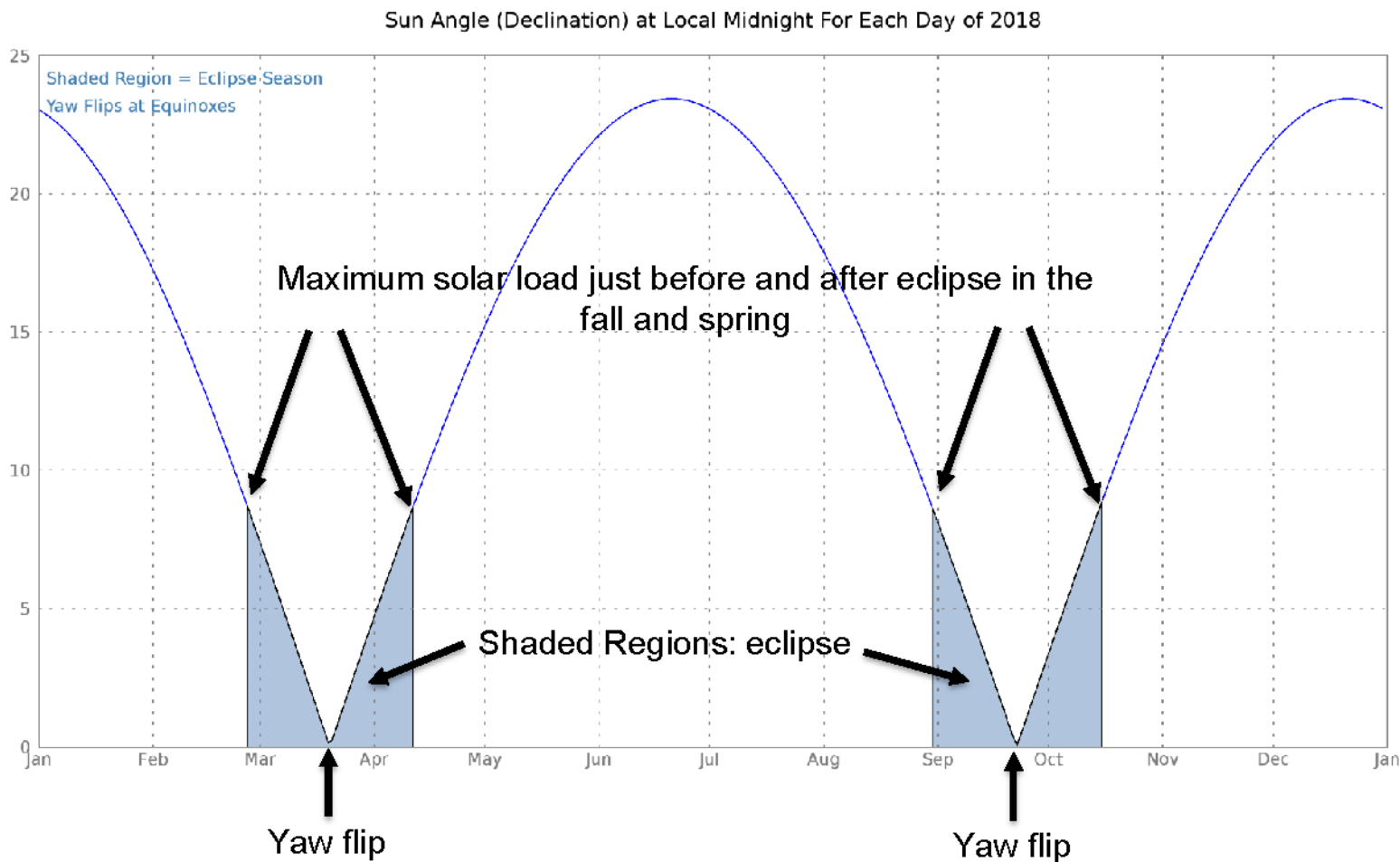




Loop Heat Pipe Anomaly

- Loop Heat Pipes on G-17 ABI not functioning properly
- During nighttime hours, the sun heats up the ABI detectors faster than we can cool them
- Detectors become warmer than they're designed to operate, and they begin to radiate at temperatures closer to the wavelengths they're attempting to detect from the Earth
- Eventually, local emission and dark current noise overwhelm the signal from the Earth, and the channels saturate, meaning there's no useful signal at all
- The longer wavelengths, i.e., the IR channels, are generally affected first, and the shorter wavelengths (VIS and near-IR) not at all

Seasonal Dependence



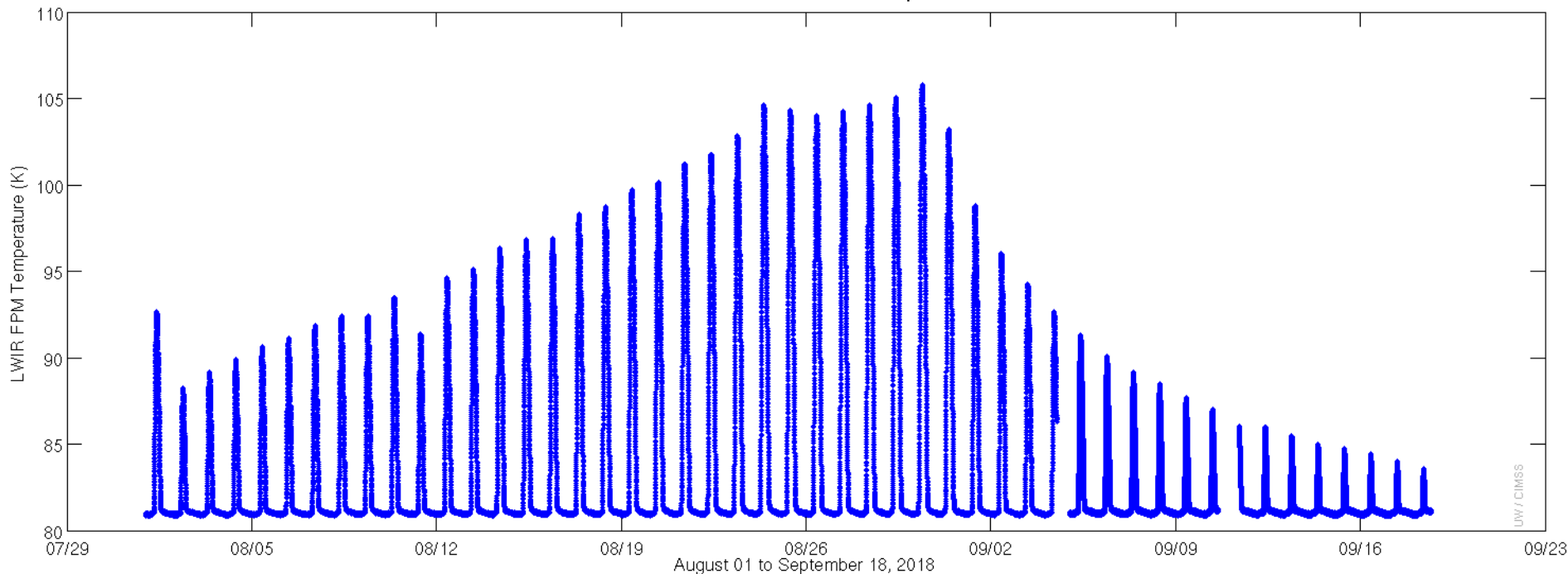
Lower angles generally mean larger solar load, except for the shaded eclipse times where the Earth blocking the sun provides for nighttime cooling



GOES-17 LWIR Focal Plane Module Temperature



GOES-17 LWIR FPM Temperature



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Current Assessment of Channel



| Band | Channel (μm) | Function | GOES-15 | GOES-17 Availability (Hours) | | |
|------|--------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---|---|
| | | | | Initial Estimate (5/6/18) | Current Estimate (Cold Season) ⁽¹⁾ | Current Estimate (Warm Season) ⁽²⁾ |
| 1 | 0.47 | Blue | | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| 2 | 0.64 | Red | Yes (0.63μm) | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| 3 | 0.86 | Green (Veggie) | | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| 4 | 1.38 | Cirrus | | 22 | 24 | 24 |
| 5 | 1.61 | Snow/Ice | | 22 | 24 | 24 |
| 6 | 2.25 | Cloud Particle Size | | 22 | 24 | 24 |
| 7 | 3.90 | Shortwave Window | Yes | 14 | 24 | 24 |
| 8 | 6.18 | Upper-Level Water Vapor | Yes (6.48μm) | 14 | 24 | 18-20 |
| 9 | 6.95 | Mid-Level Water Vapor | | 14 | 24 | 18-20 |
| 10 | 7.34 | Lower-Level Water Vapor | | 14 | 24 | 18.20 |
| 11 | 8.50 | Cloud Top Phase | | 14 | 24 | 21 |
| 12 | 9.61 | Ozone | | 12 | 24 | 18-20 |
| 13 | 10.35 | Clean IR Longwave Window | | 12 | 24 | 24 * |
| 14 | 11.20 | IR Longwave Window | Yes (10.7μm) | 12 | 24 | 24 * |
| 15 | 12.30 | Dirty Longwave Window | | 12 | 24 | 21 |
| 16 | 13.30 | CO ₂ Longwave Infrared | Yes | 12 | 24 | 18-20 |

NOTE: **Preliminary estimate** of channel availability at best/worst season; subject to change.

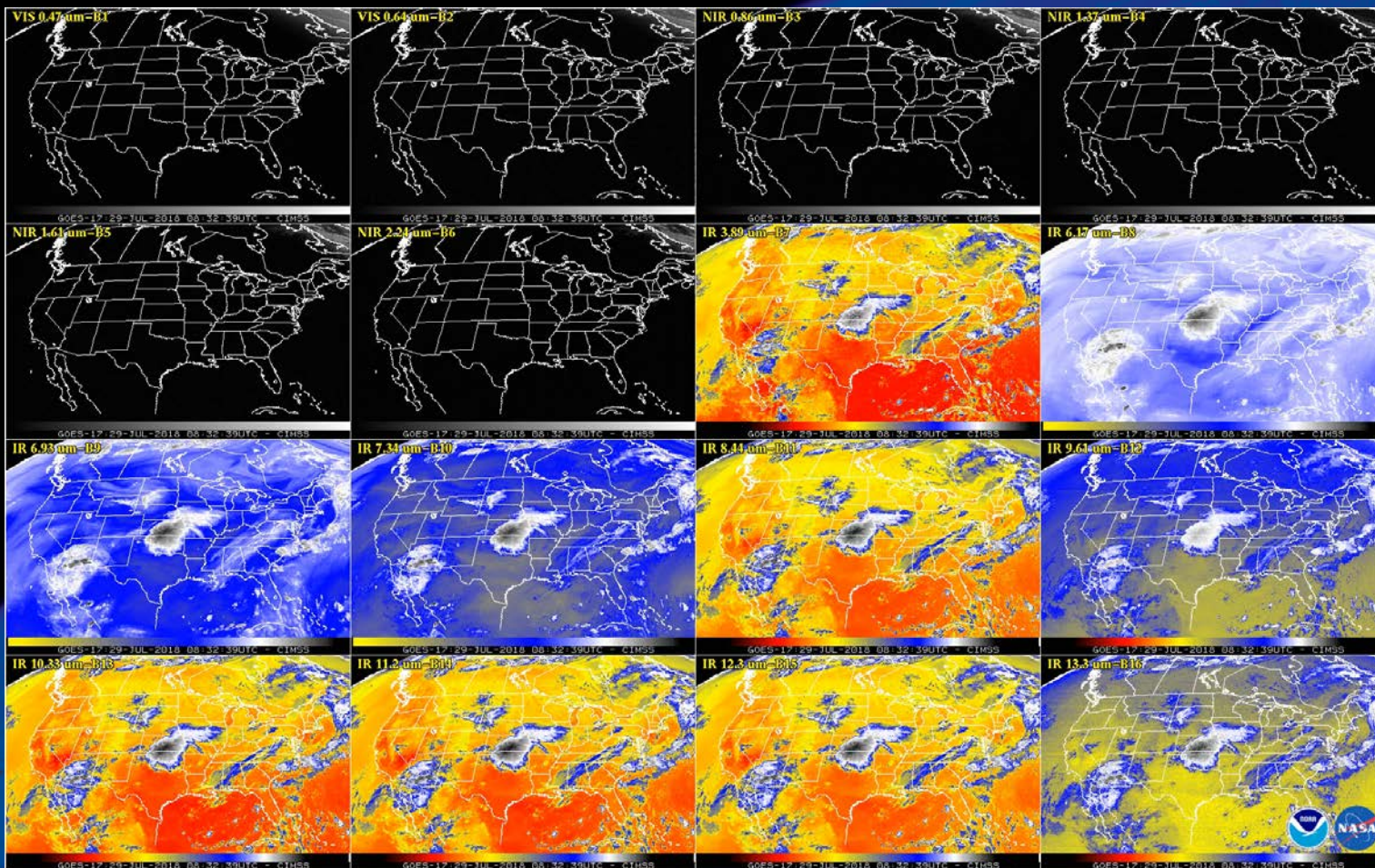
* = data may be noisy and striped and biased for up to 4 hours per day (TBR)



GOES-17 ABI: "Cool" Part of the Year



(first light day)

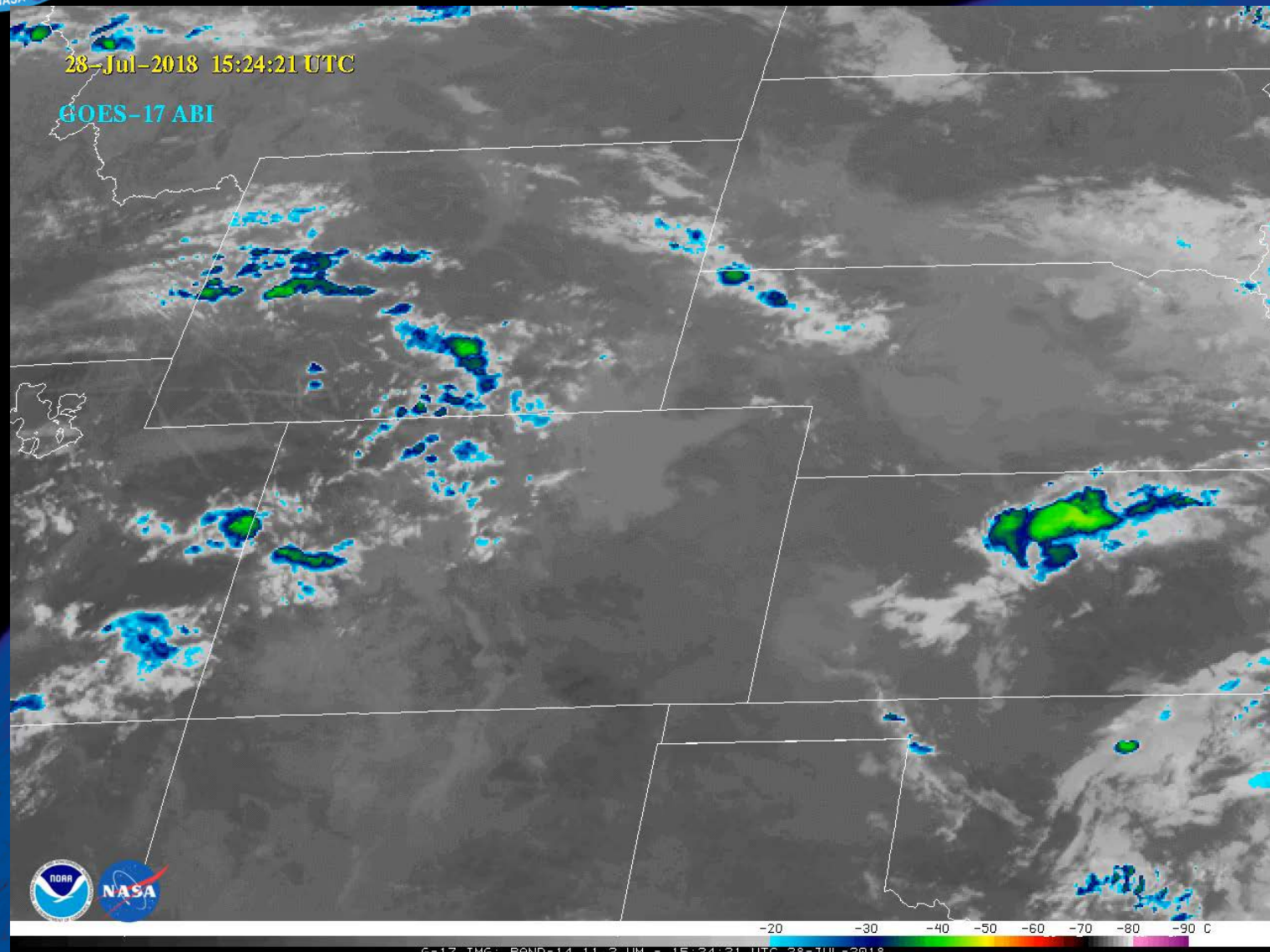


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Infrared Window



G-17 IMG: BAND=14 11.2 UM - 15:24:21 UTC 28-JUL-2018

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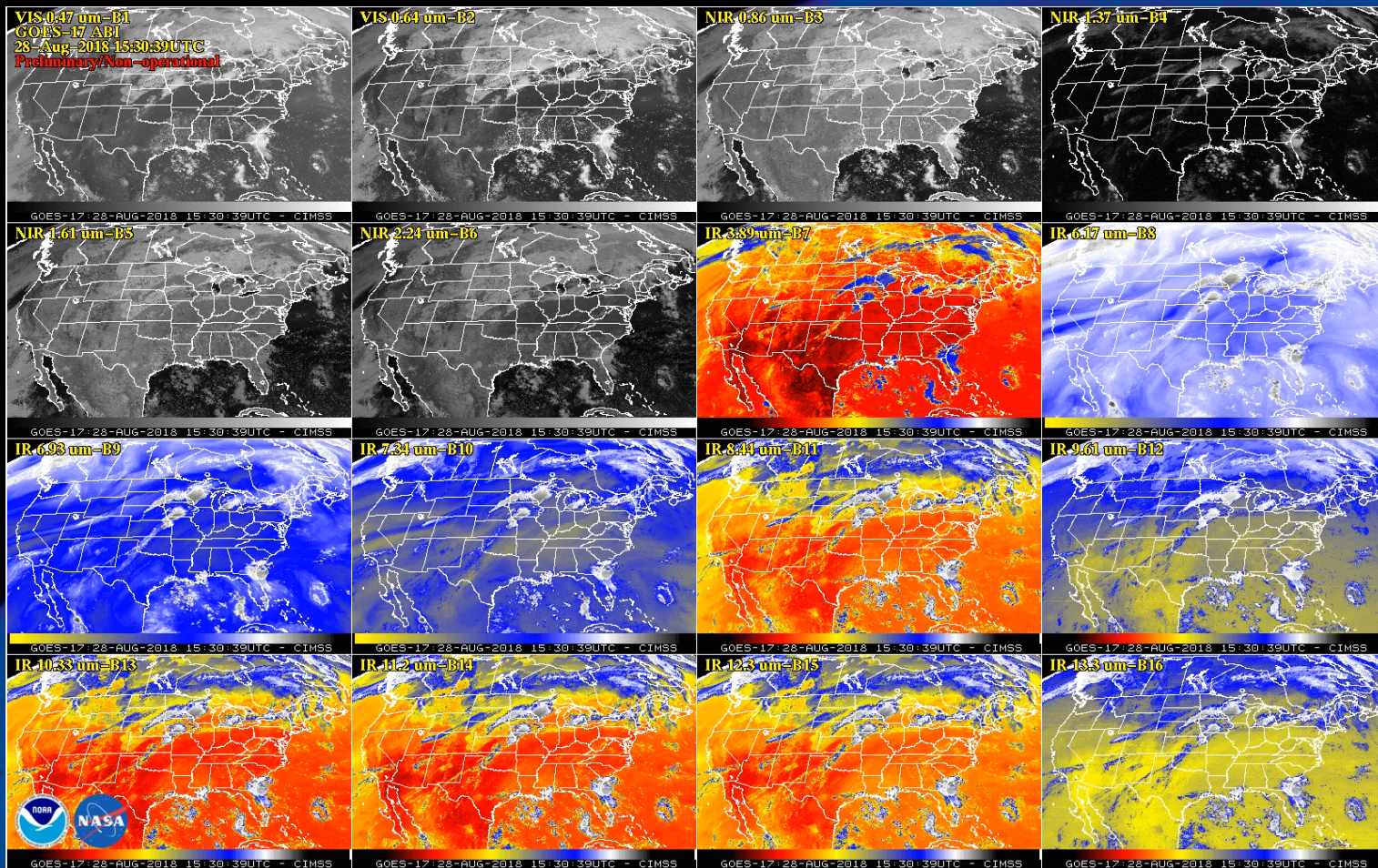
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GOES-17 ABI: "Hot" Part of the Year



(Aug 28/29)



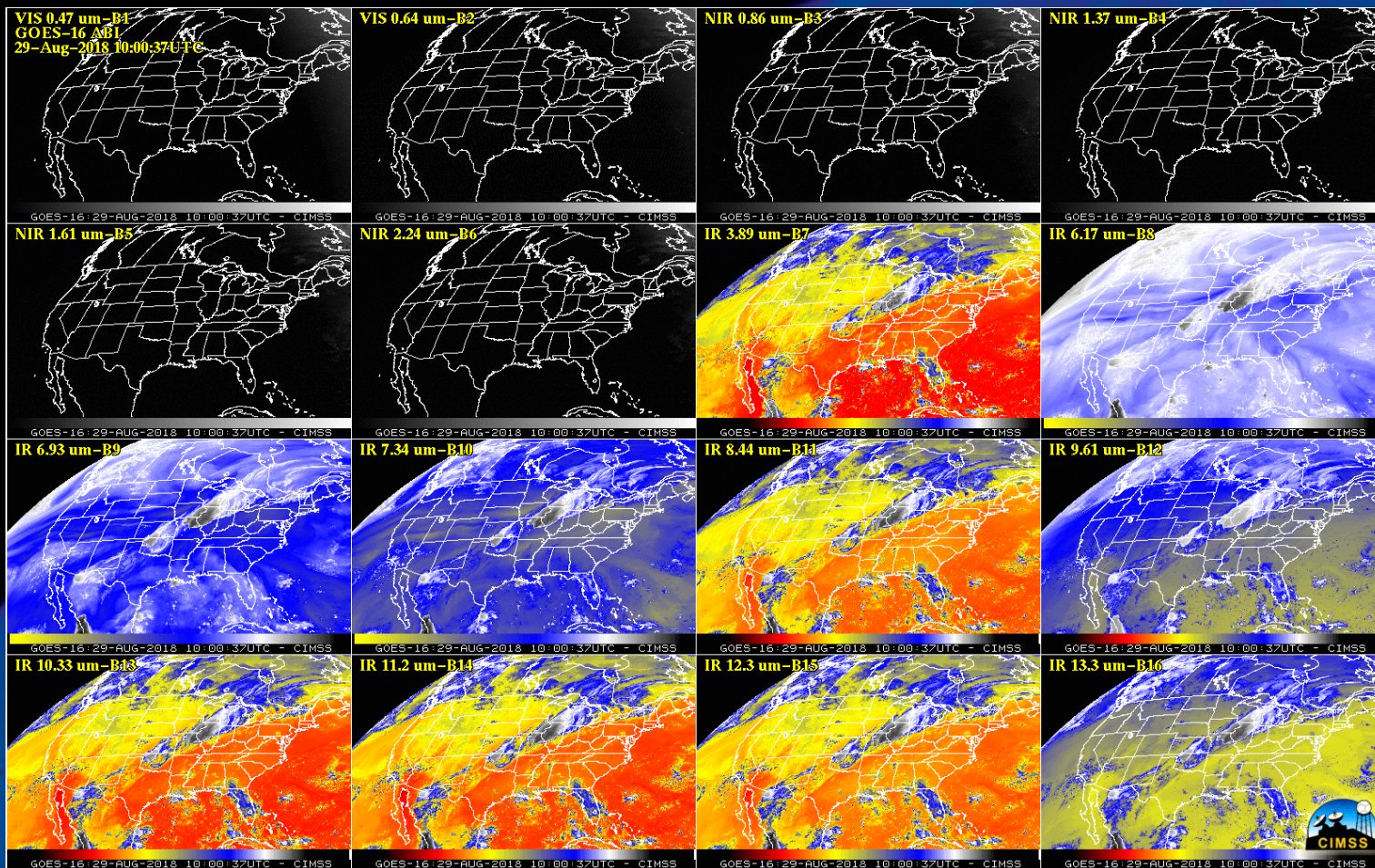
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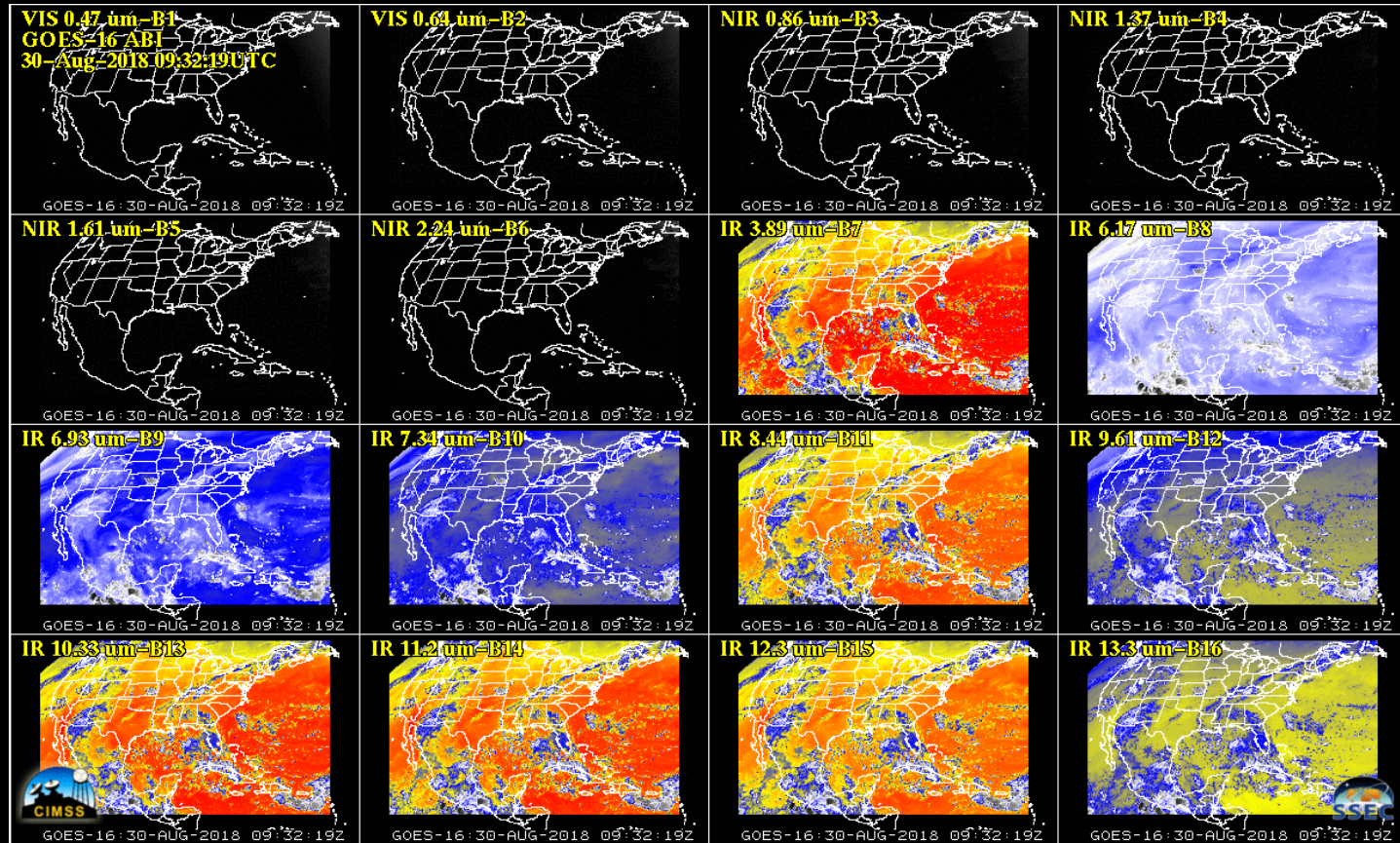
GOES-16 ABI

(Aug 29: 10 UTC)

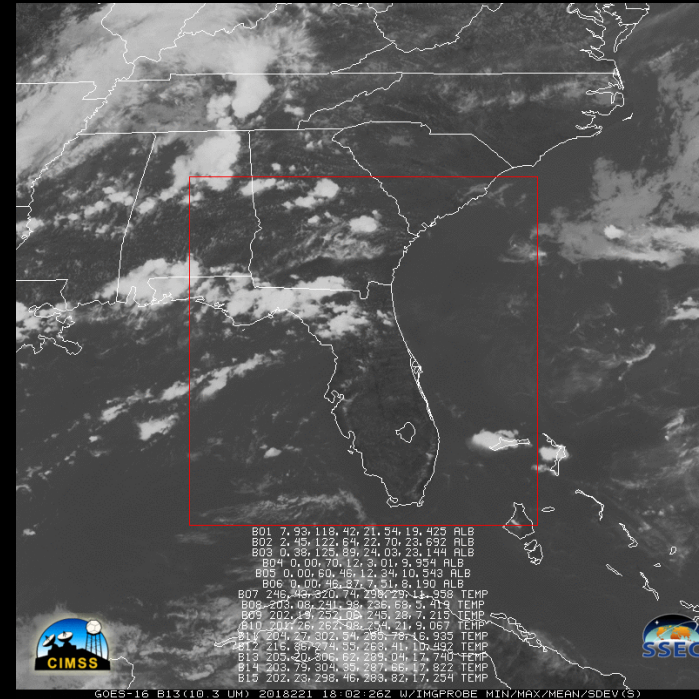
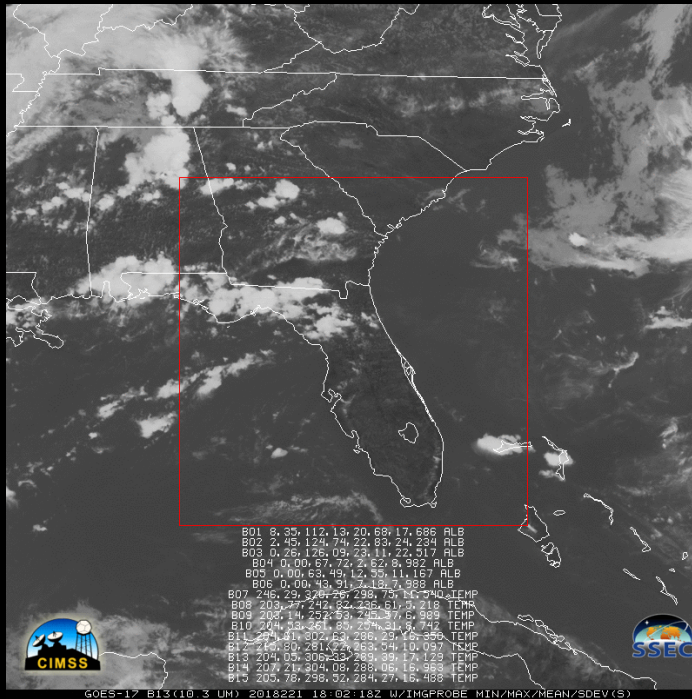


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GOES-16 ABI CONUS at 09:32 UTC on August 30, 2018 – for comparison, “worst time” for FPM Temp



FPM Temperature Analysis

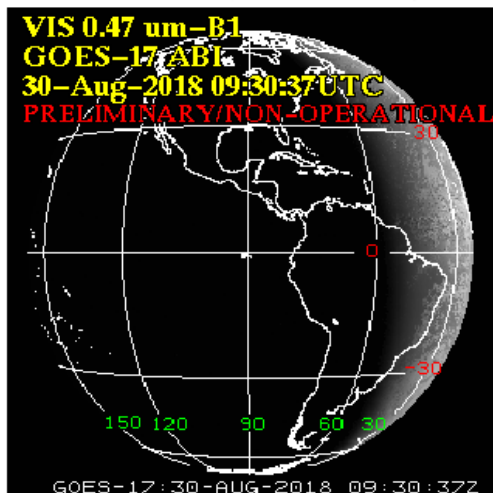


GOES-17 (left) vs GOES-16 (right) comparison area.

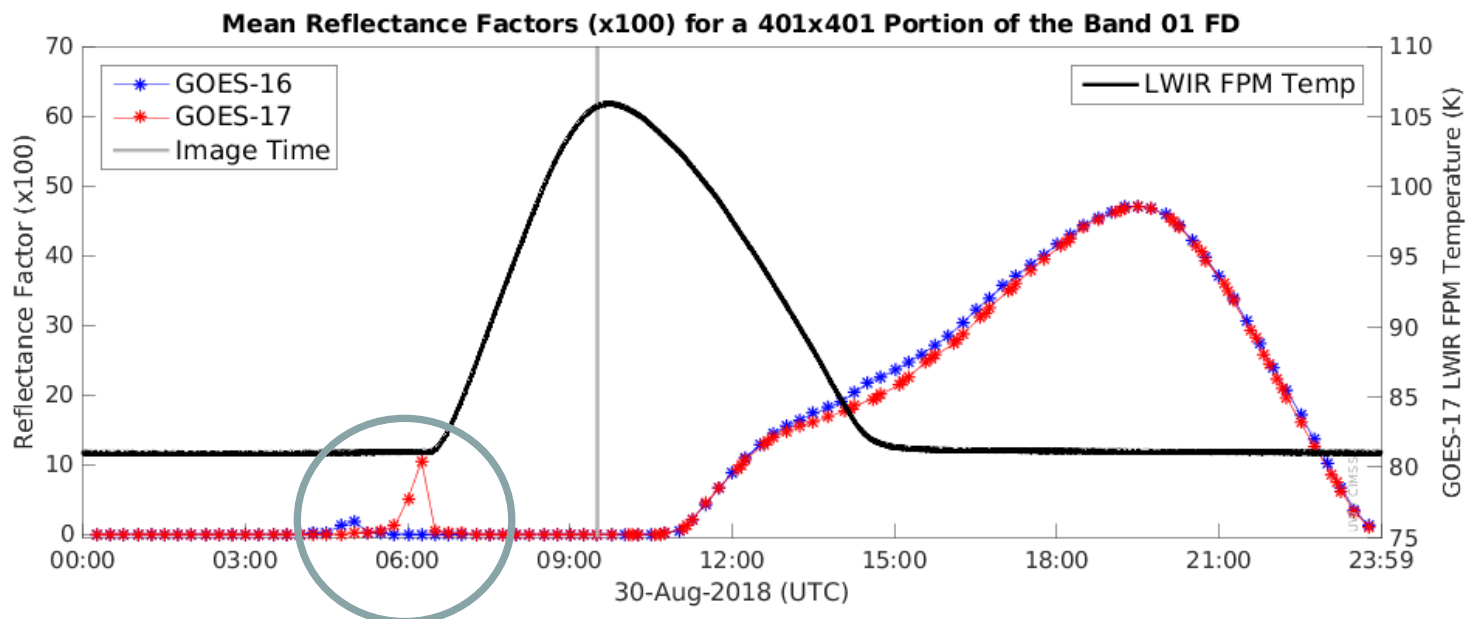
To compare: Mean CMI GOES-16, Mean CMI GOES-17, & FPM Temperature

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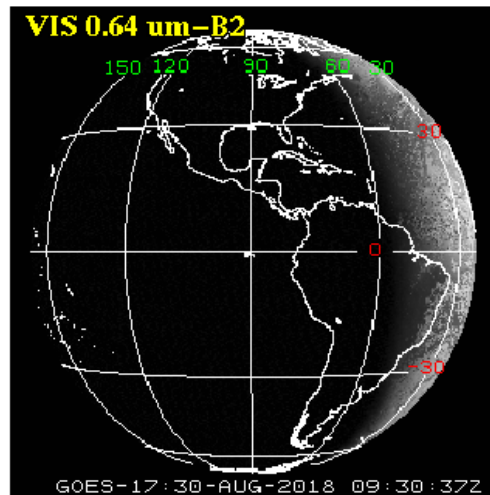
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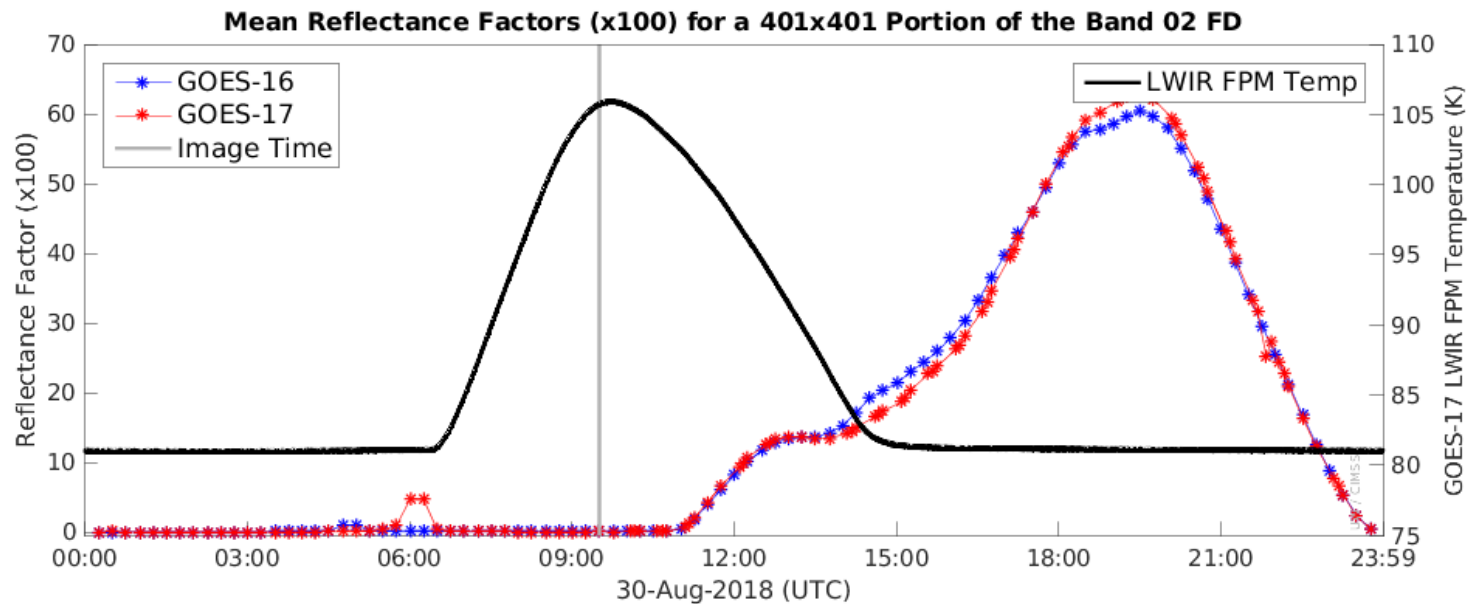
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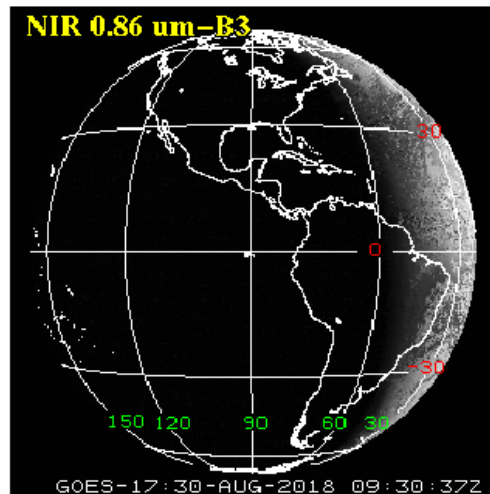
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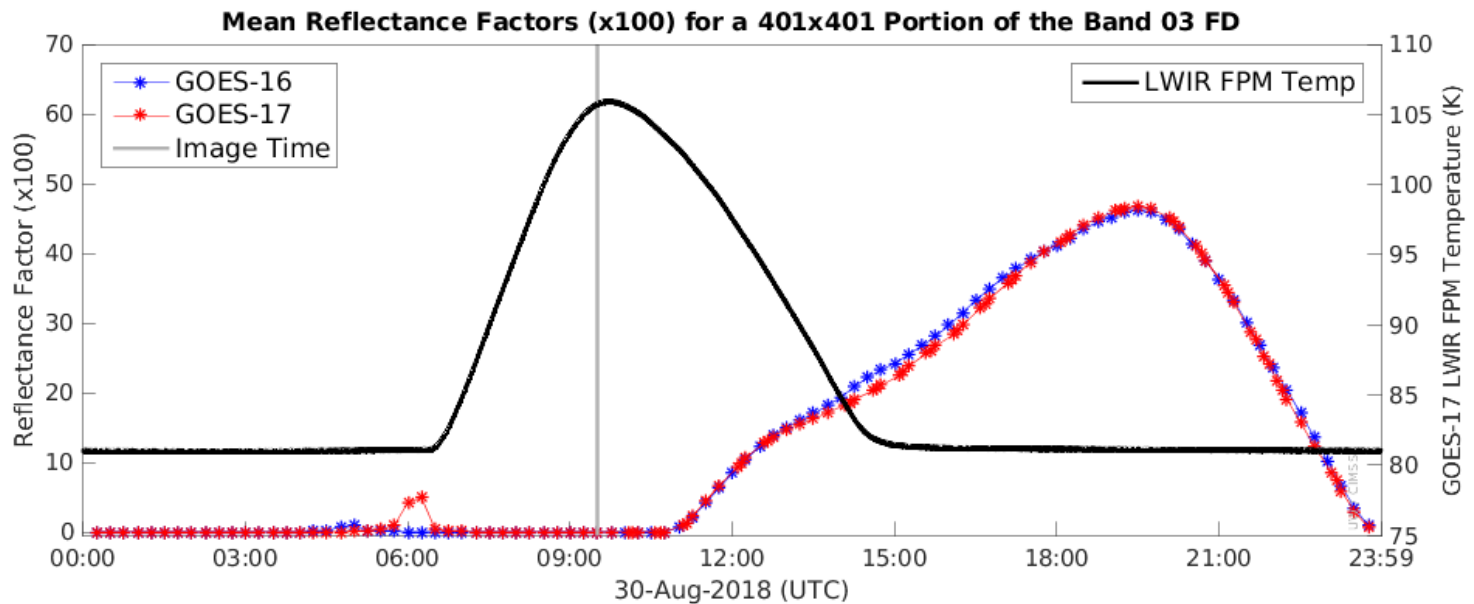
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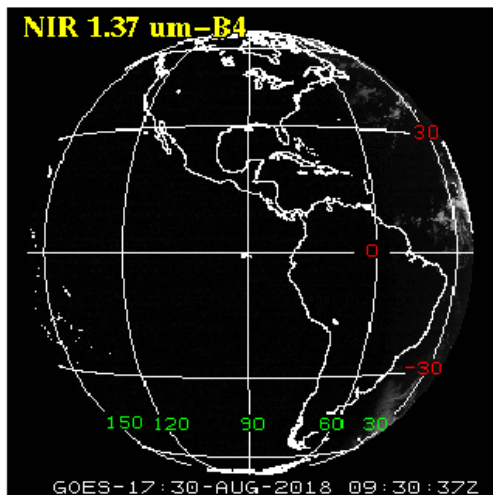
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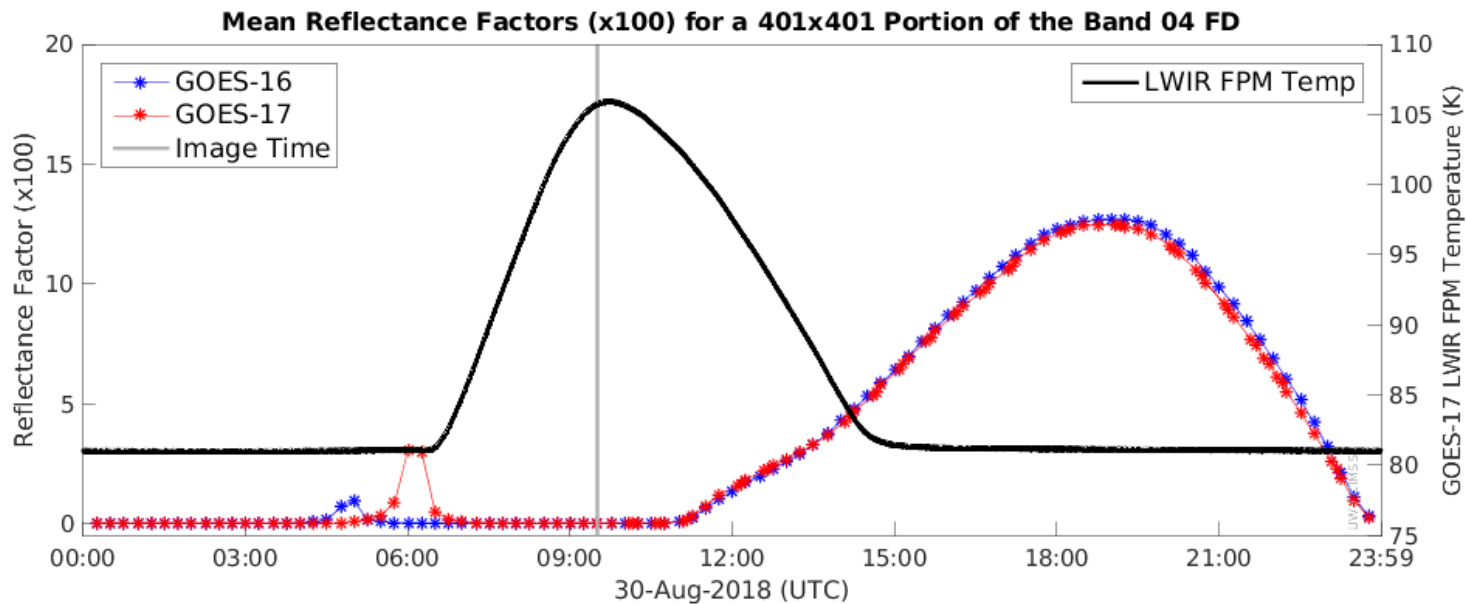
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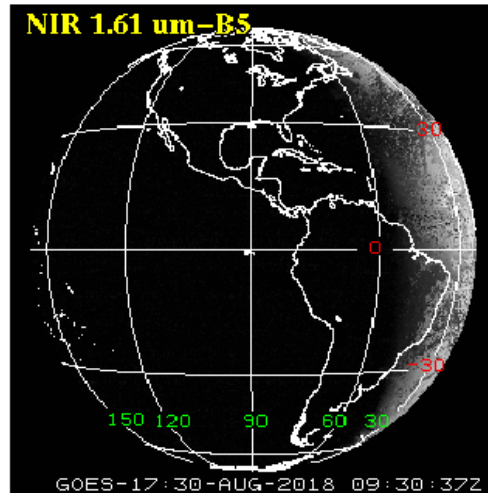
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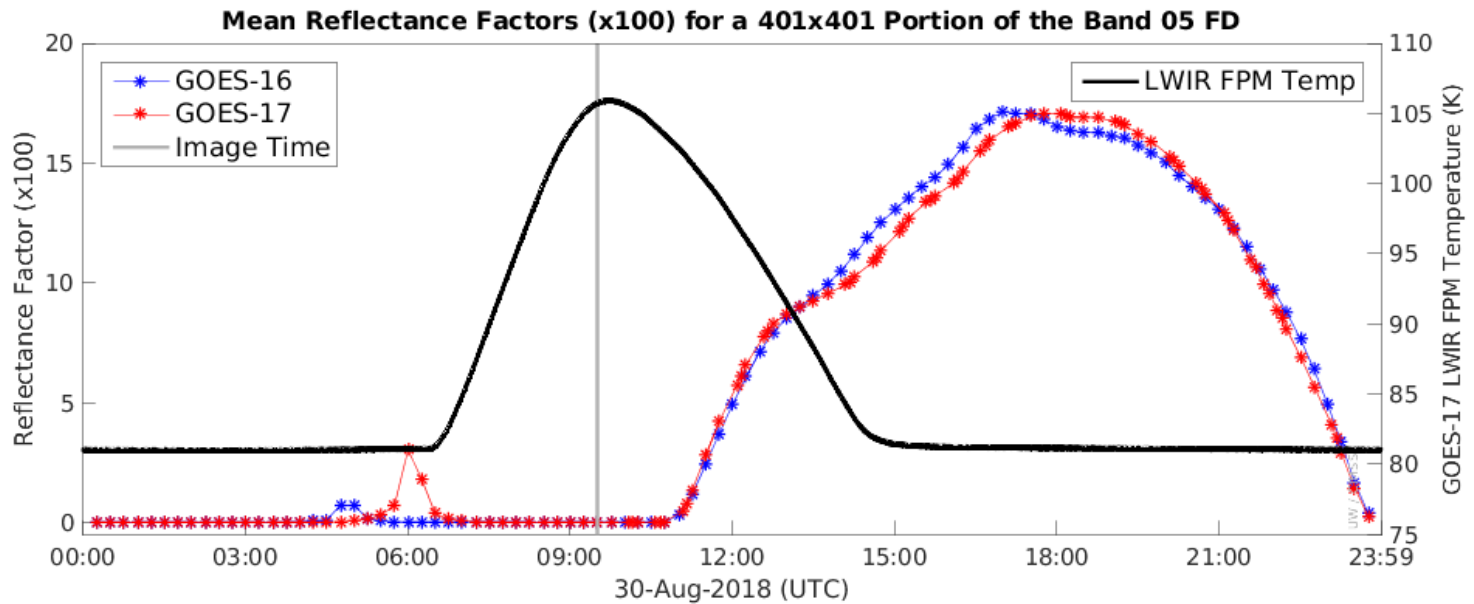
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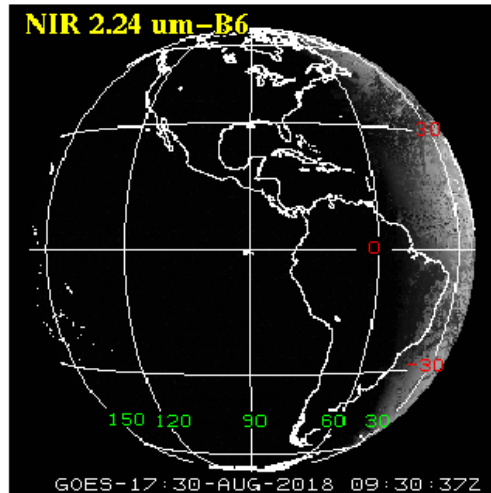
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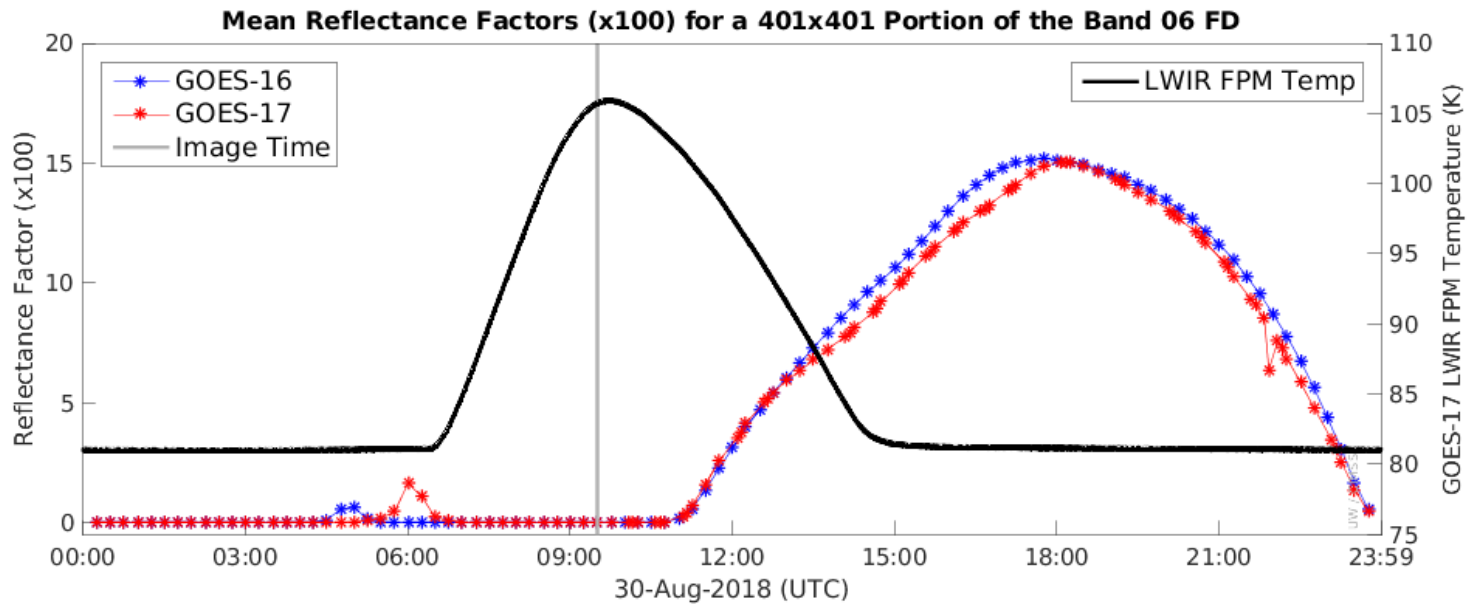
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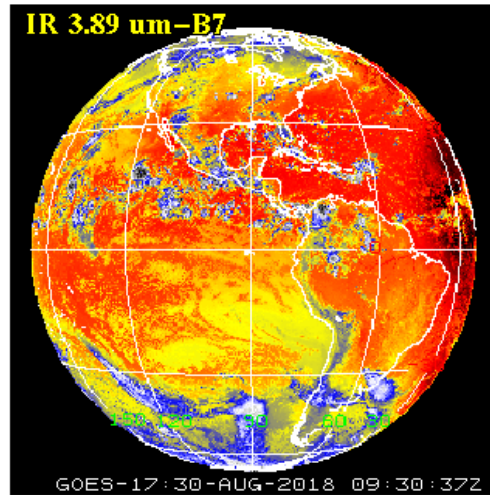
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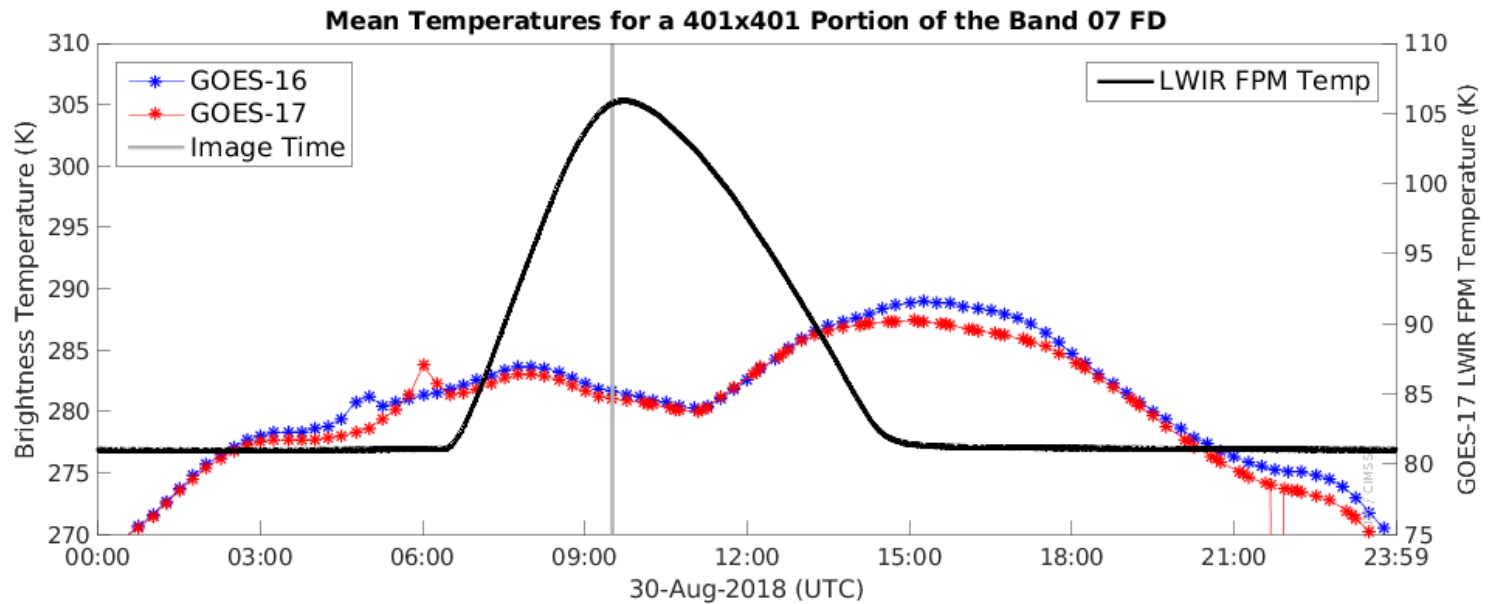
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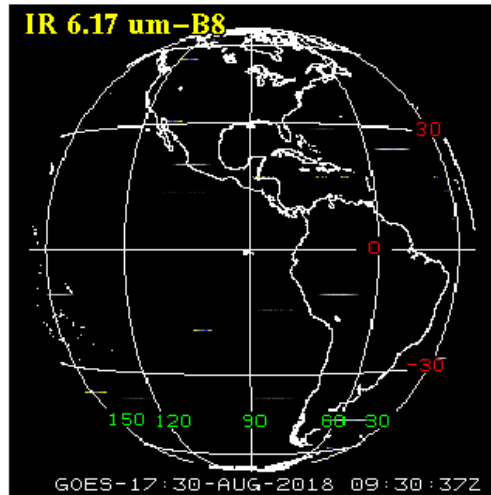
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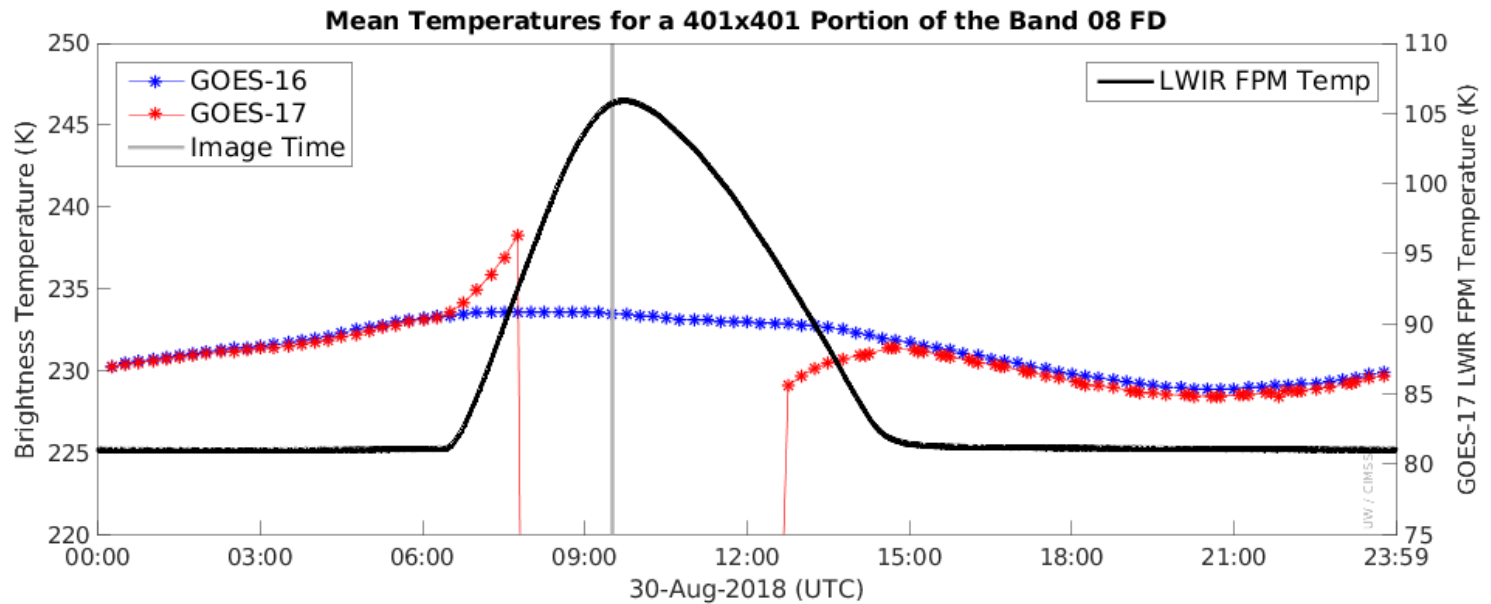
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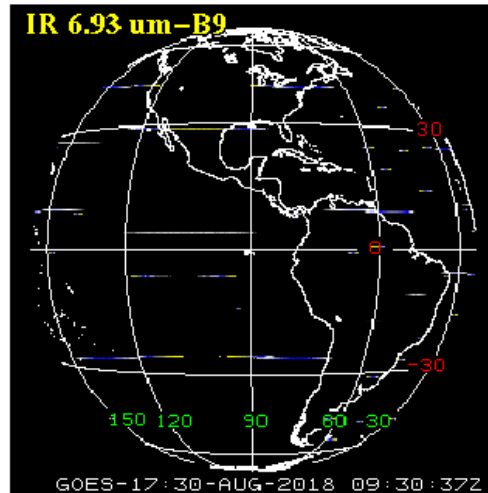
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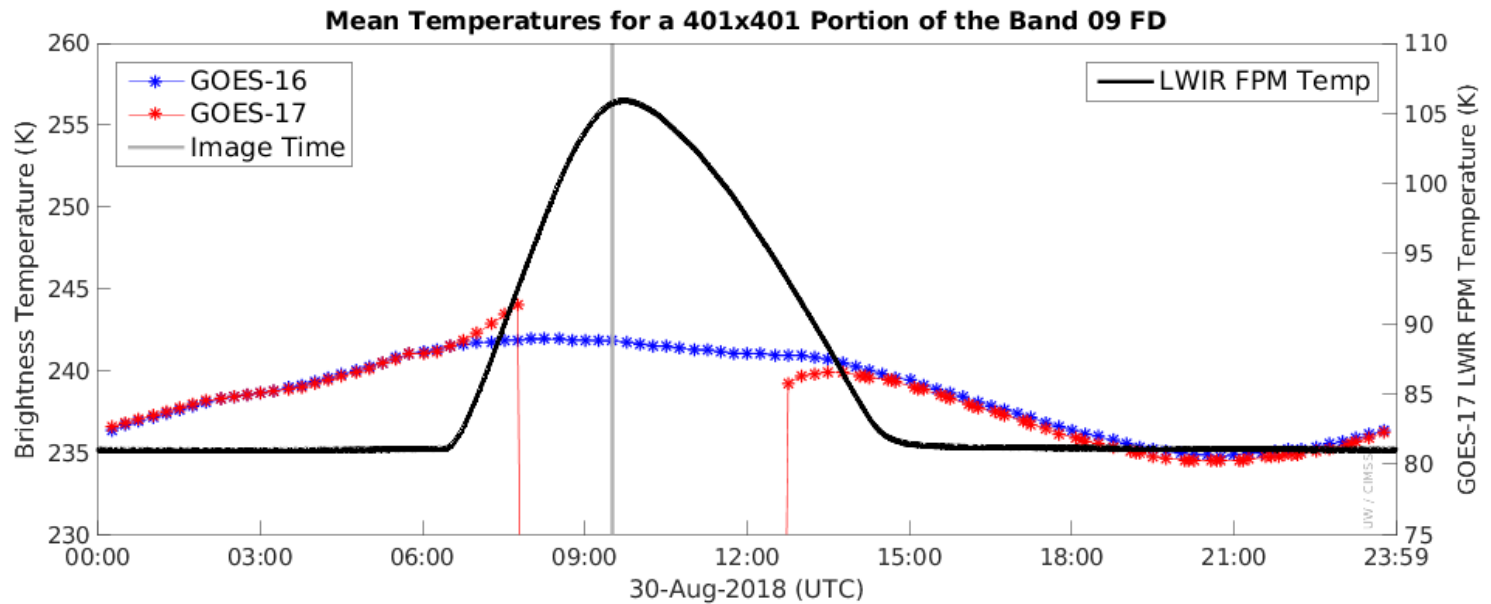
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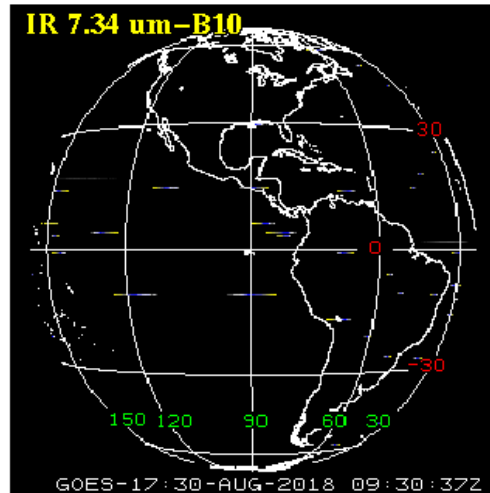
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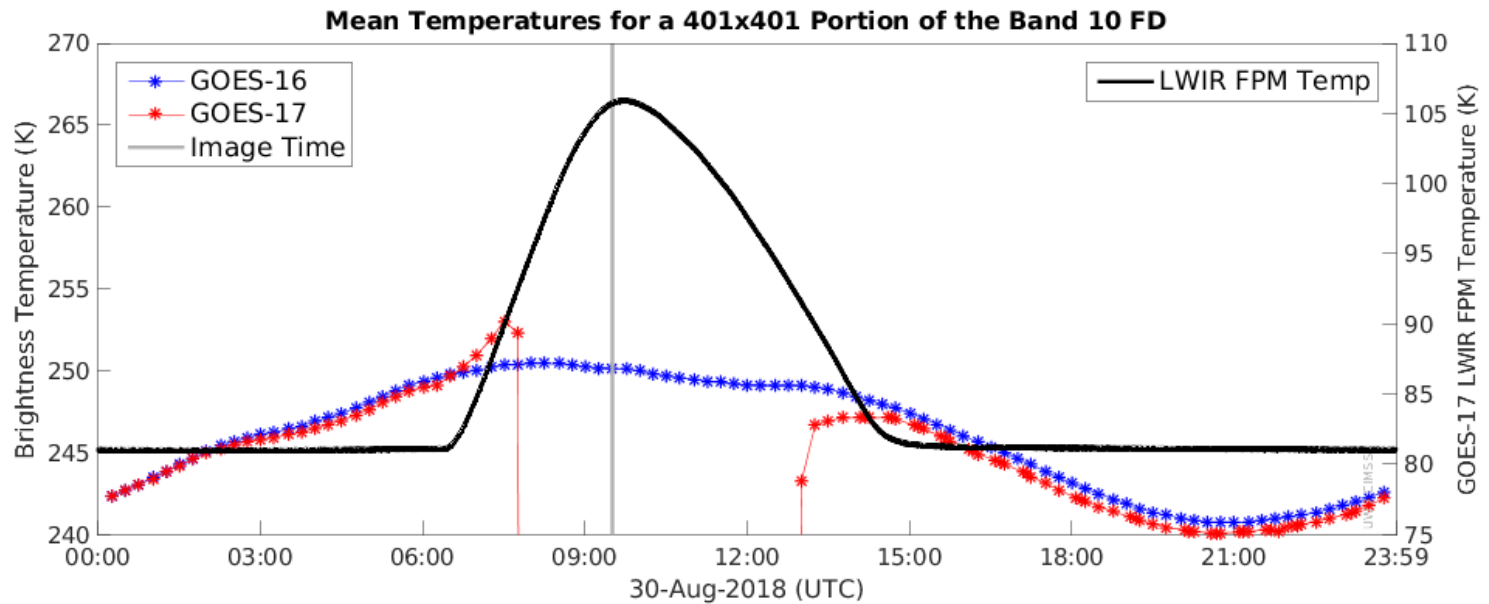
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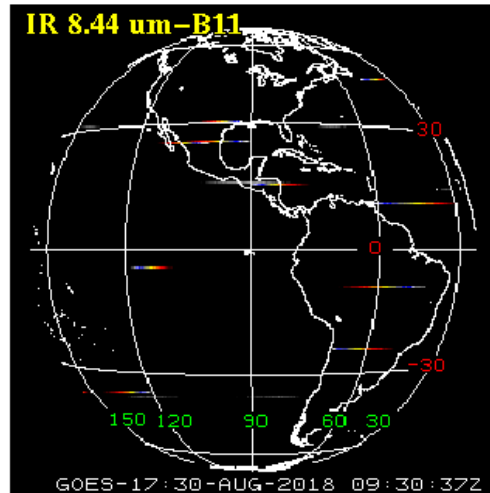
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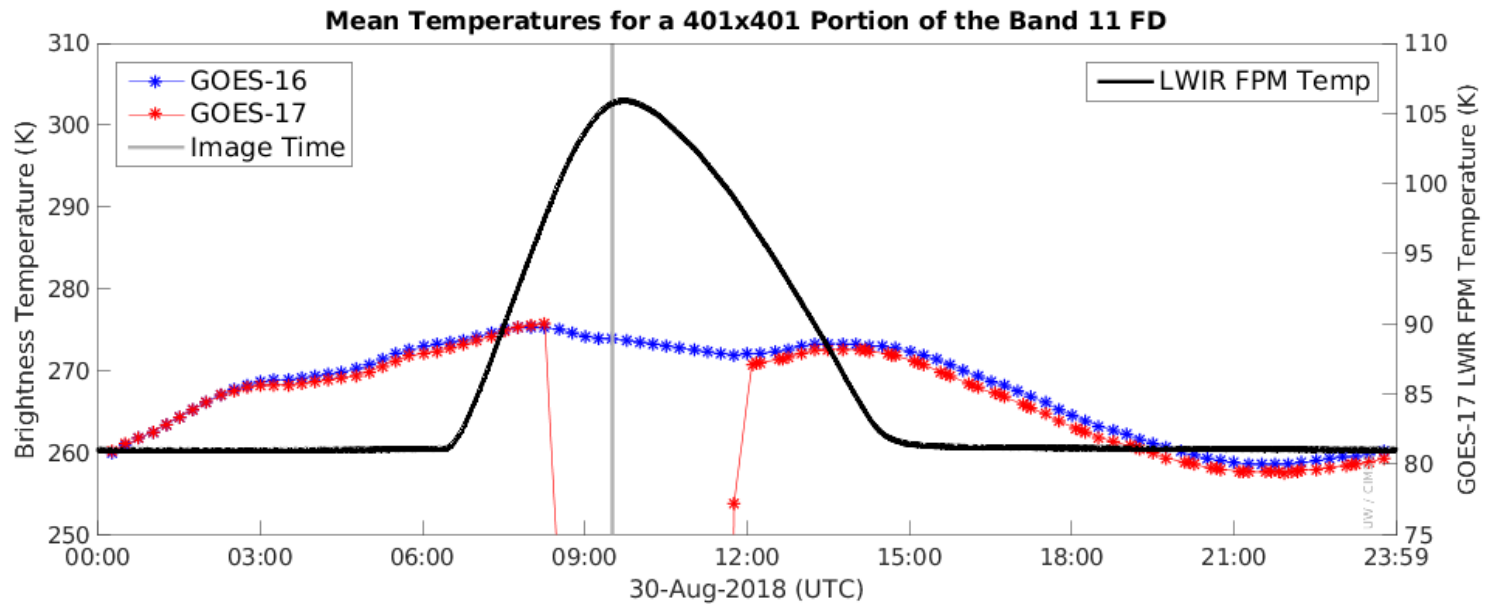
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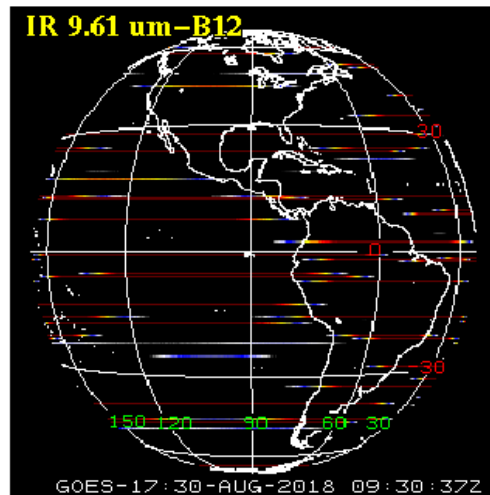
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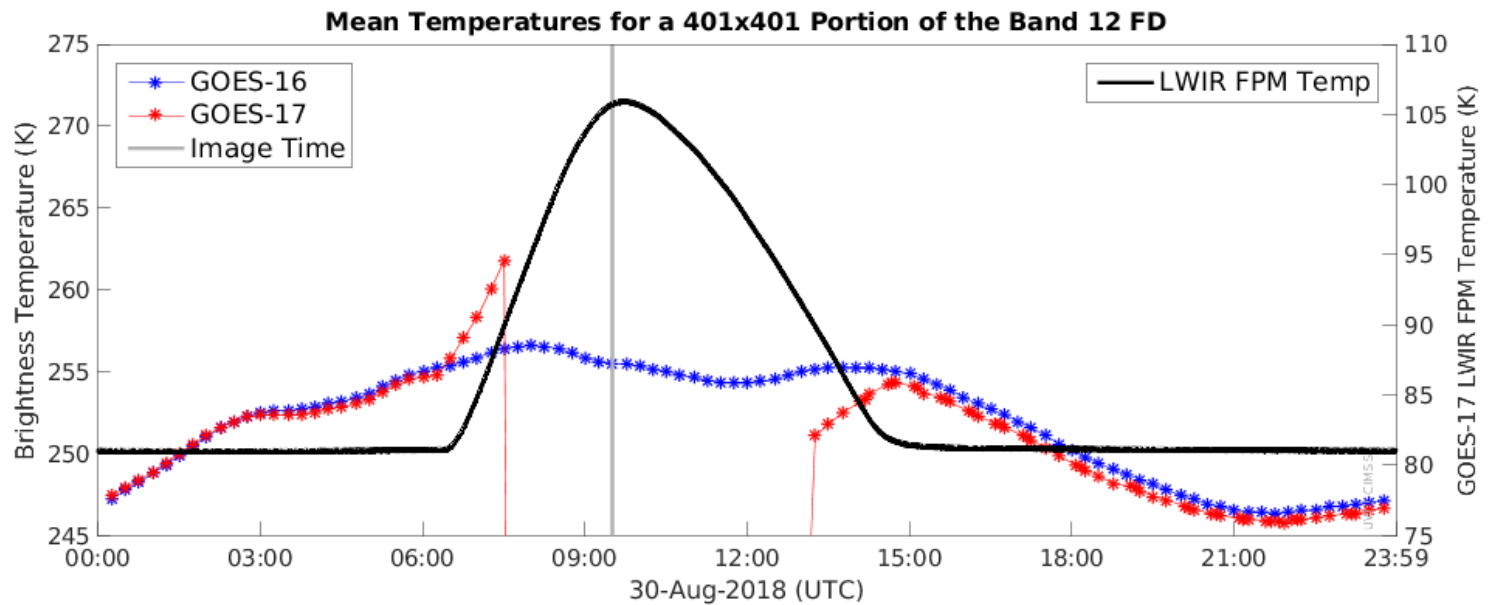
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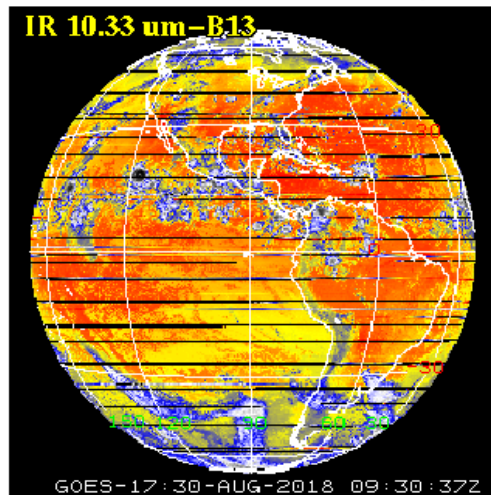
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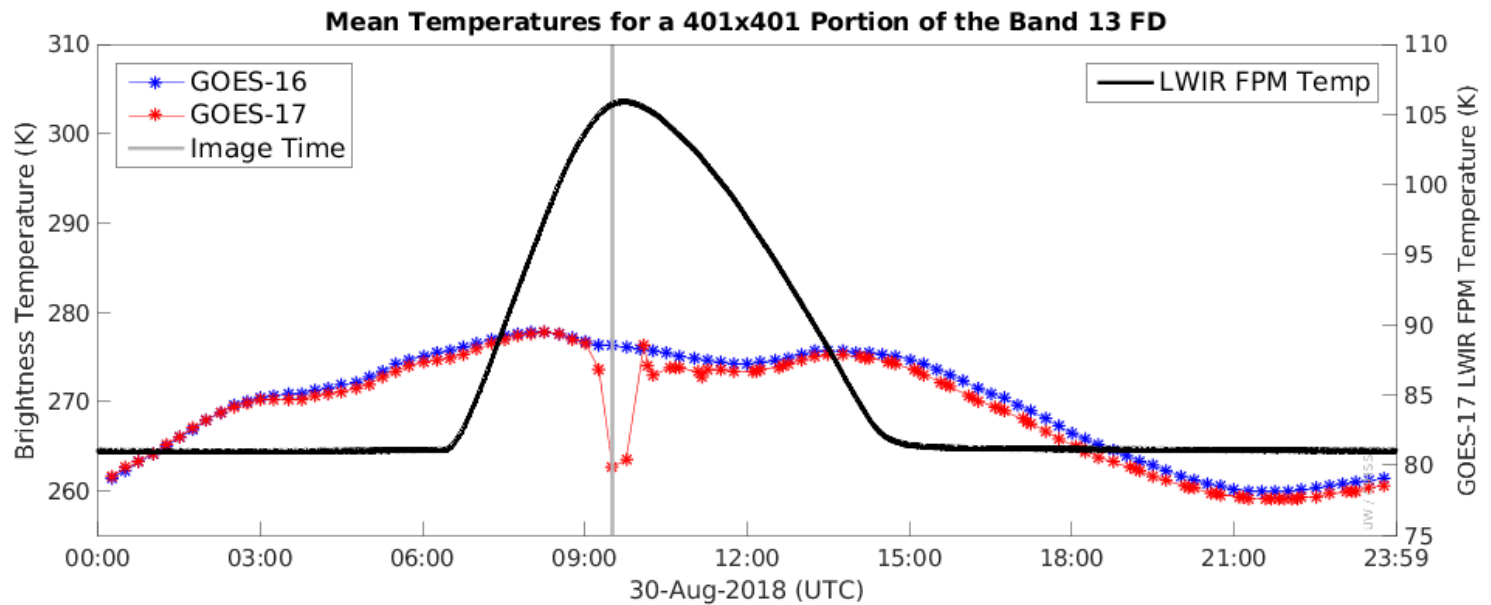
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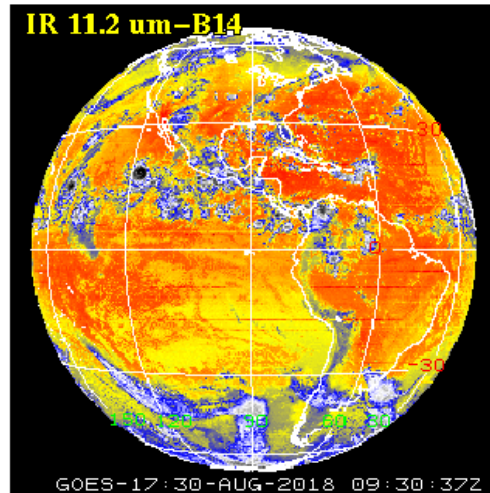
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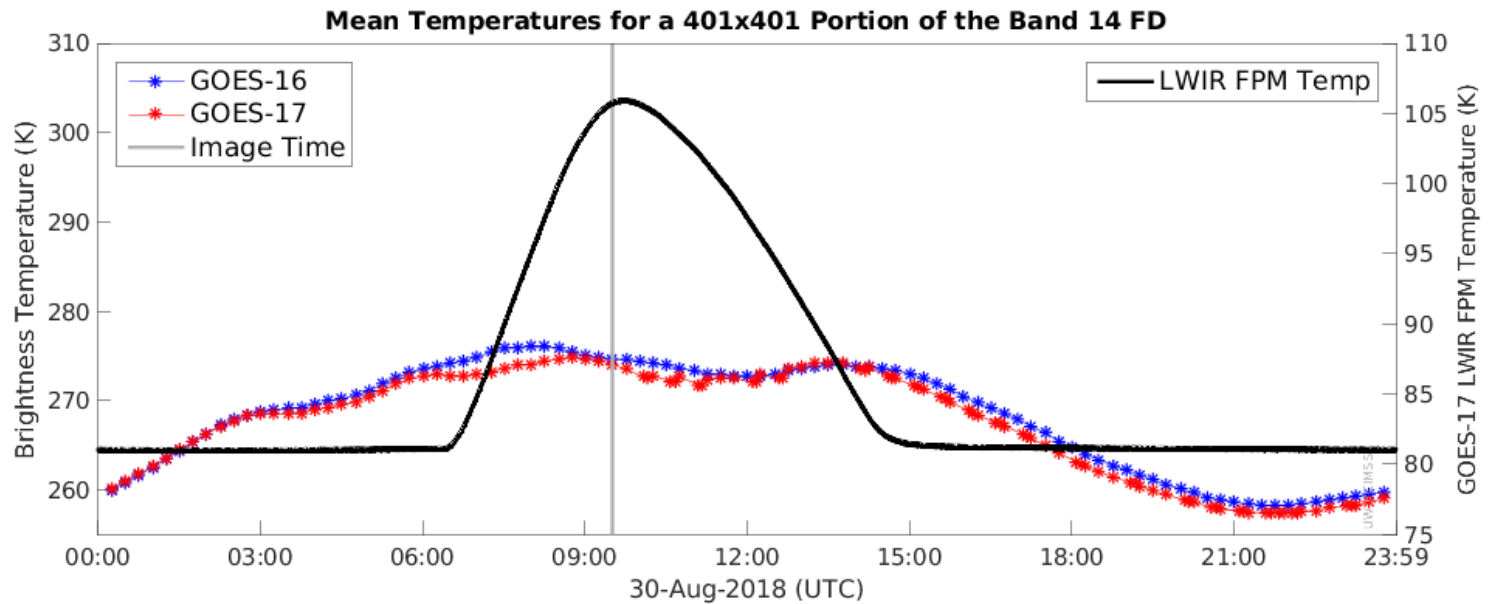
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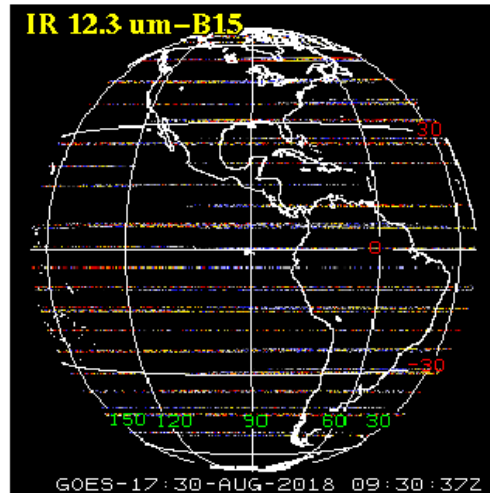
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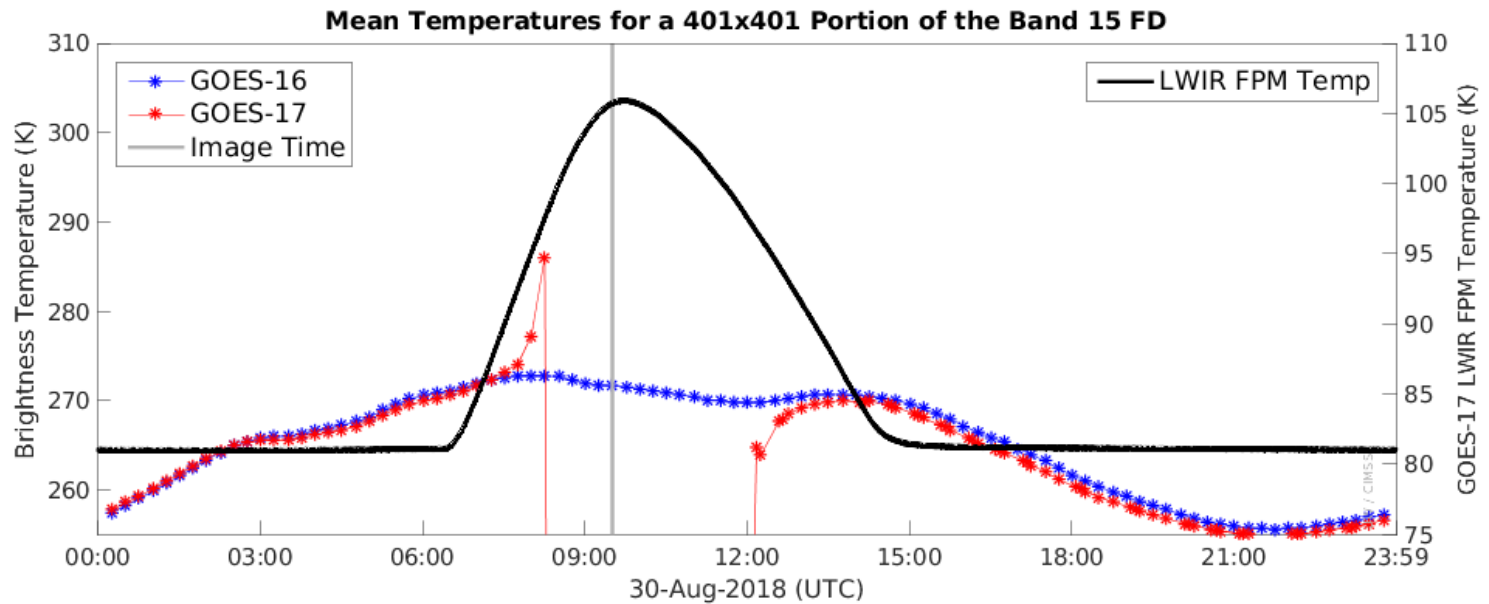
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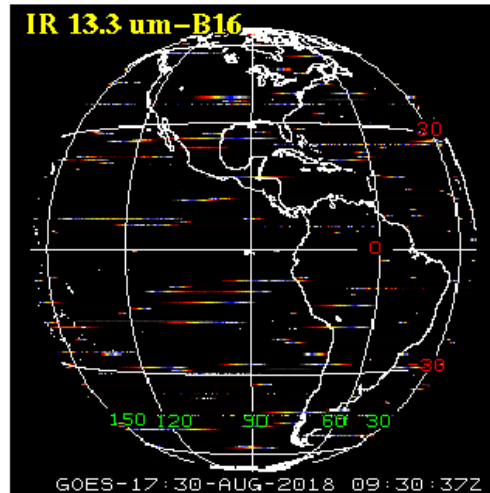
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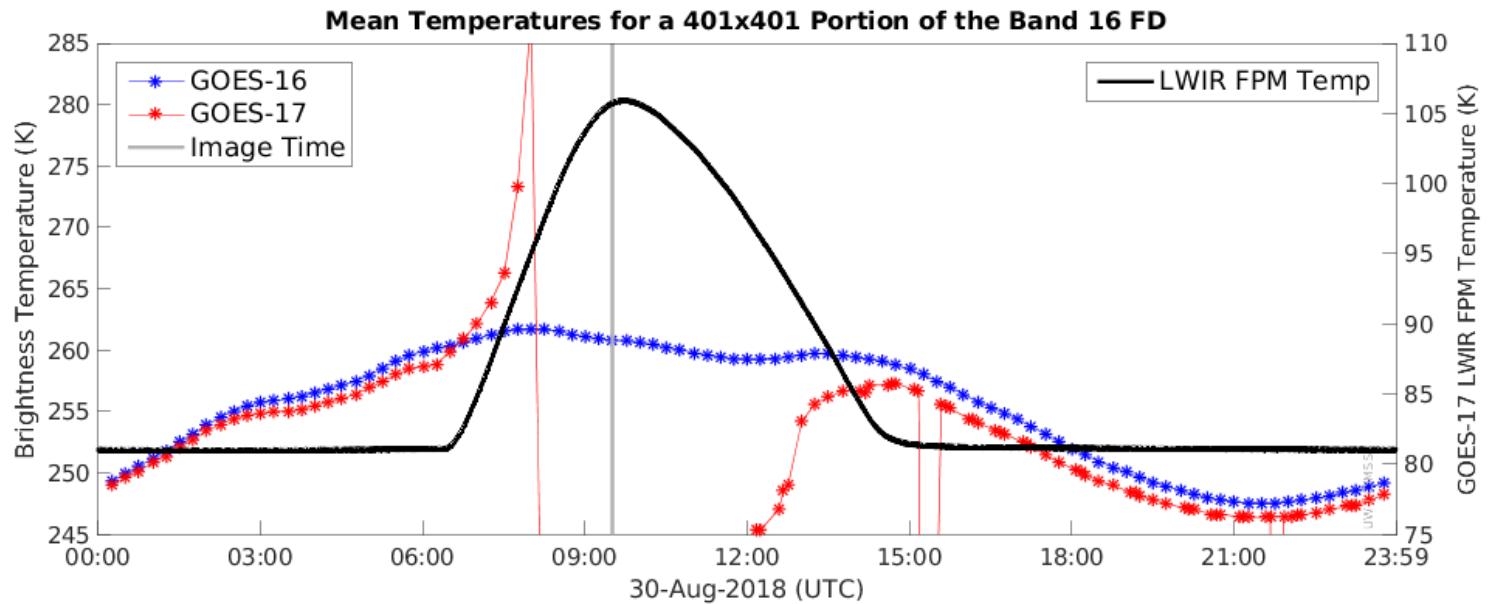
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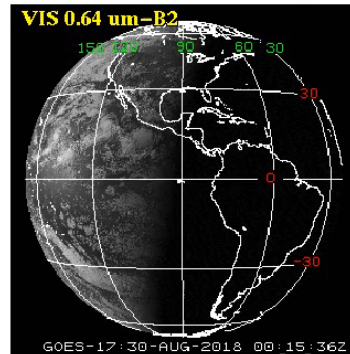


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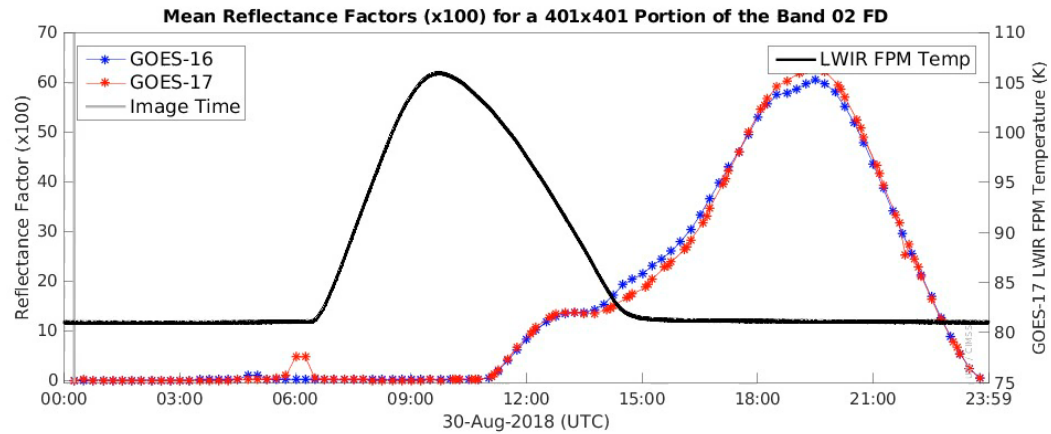


ABI Band 2: Worst Day

GOES-17 ABI Band 02 (0.64 μm) 30-Aug-2018 00:15:36 UTC

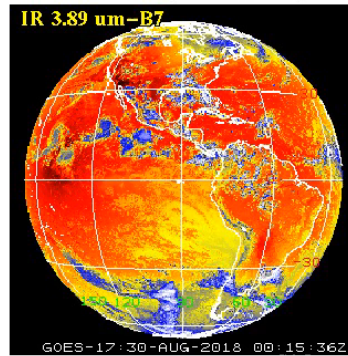


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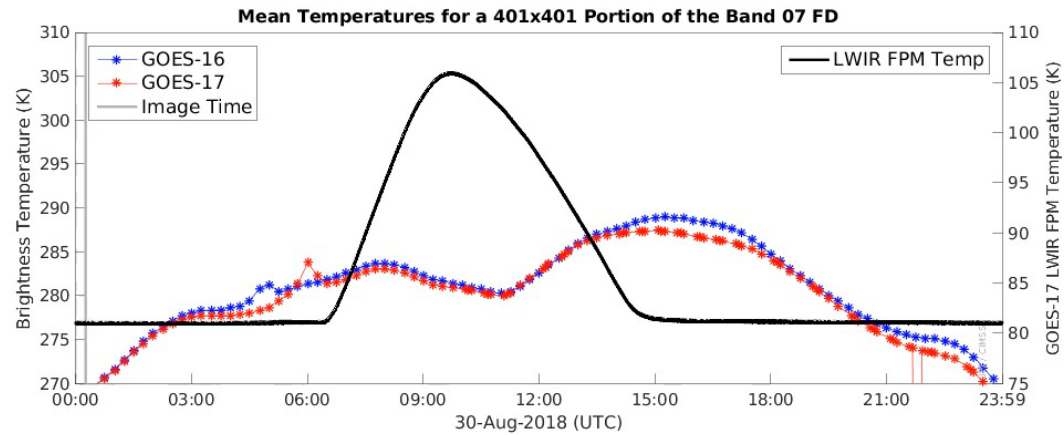


ABI Band 7: Worst Day

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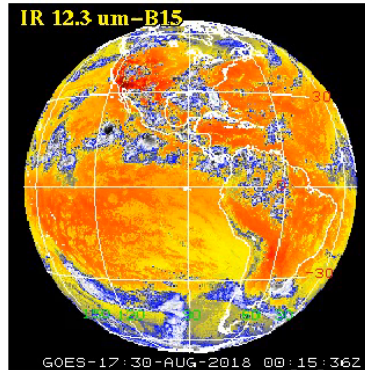


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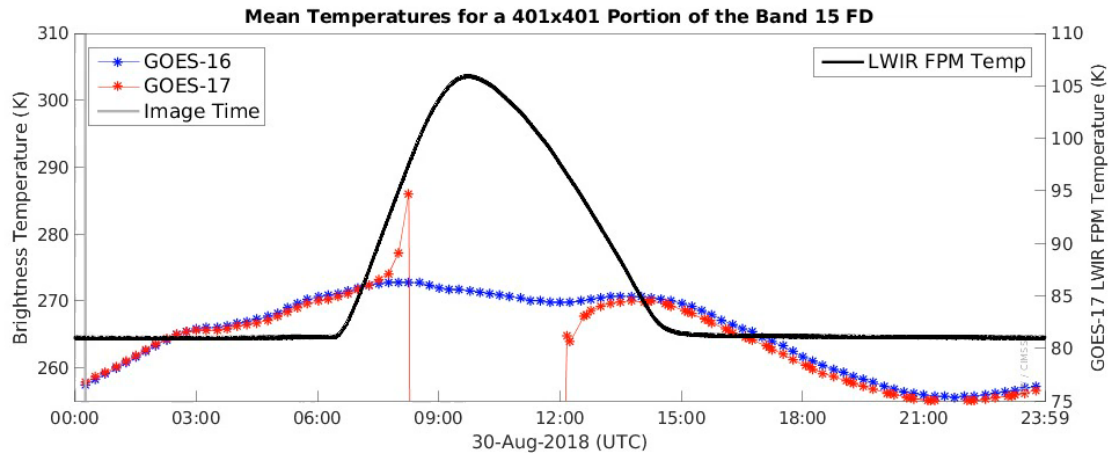


ABI Band 15: Worst Day

GOES-17 ABI Band 15 (12.3 μm) 30-Aug-2018 00:15:36 UTC



GOES-17 Preliminary / Non-Operational





Way Forward

Outcomes from the Anomaly Teams this Fall:

- ✓ Provide recommendations on changes to GOES-T and GOES-U to address the Loop Heat Pipe issue
- ✓ Provide recommendations for the operation of GOES-17 to maximize mission performance
- ✓ Provide recommendations for the best constellation options for incorporating GOES-17, including potential changes to the operational usage of other assets (i.e. Himawari-8)

Notional Plan:

- ✓ Move GOES-17 to the GOES-West position in the Late Fall 2018
- ✓ Prepare to operate in tandem with GOES-15 for an extended period of time

Combining GOES-17 with Legacy

- Demonstrate how the legacy GOES imager can help fill in the missing images when the GOES-17 ABI detectors are too warm
- As a start, used GOES-15 and GOES-17 is there current orbital positions.
- No final decision about operating GOES-legacy with GOES-17

GOES Imager and ABI Fusion

Starting with good ABI and Imager IR data at time t_0 , establish a set of Imager IR bands colocated with ABI IR bands. At time t_0 use ABI 4um to remap 4 Imager IR bands

(1) convert 4 Imager IR bands from 4km to 2km resolution using ABI 4um 2km radiances in k-d tree search at time t_0

At time t , use ABI 4um to remap 4 Imager IR bands

(2) convert 4 Imager bands from 4km to 2 km using ABI 4um 2km radiances in k-d tree search at time t

Use Imager IR bands at time t to rearrange ABI IR bands from time t_0

(3) use radiance k-d tree search to find best 5 Imager 2km fofs from time t_0 matching each Imager 2 km fov at time t (searching for 5 fofs at time t_0 that best match radiances in all four Imager IR bands of each fov at time t)

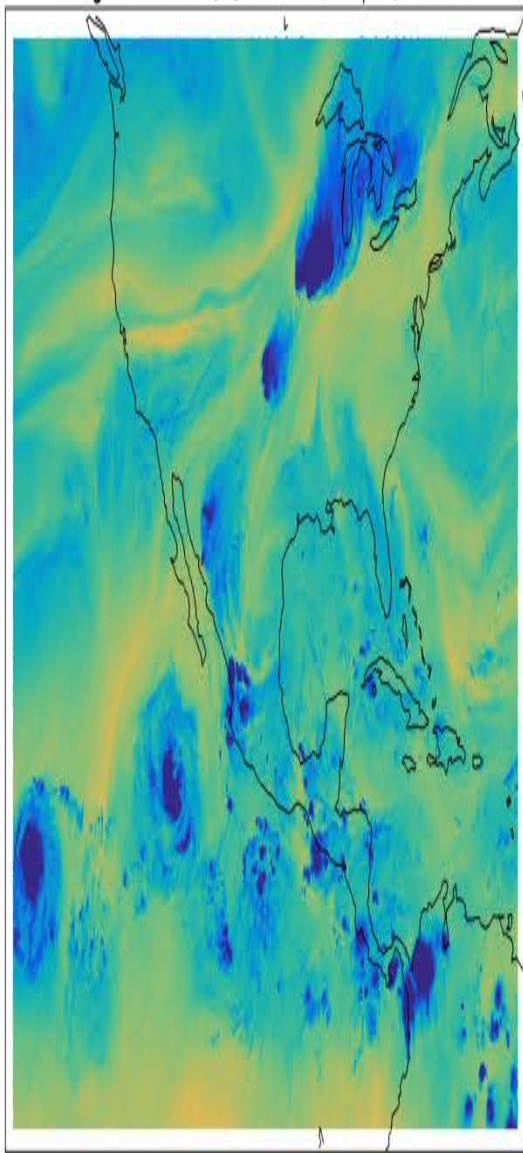
(4) average associated (through same fov location) ABI IR bands in those 5 fofs at time t_0 to get fusion ABI IR bands at time t

Establish time series of fusion ABI IR Imager bands

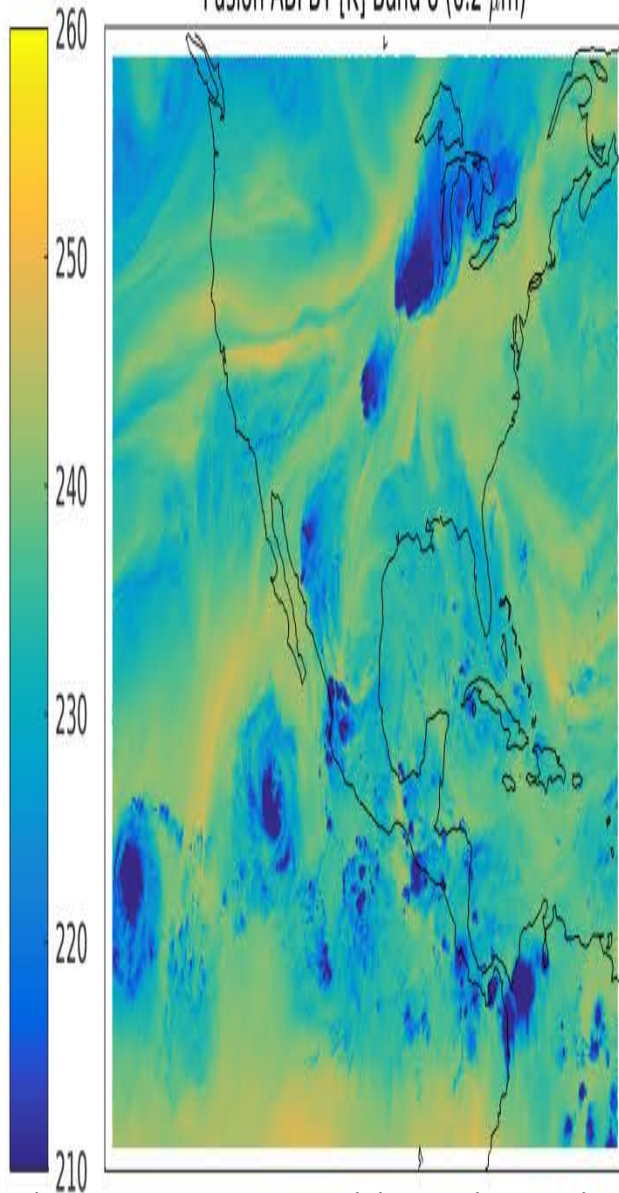
(5) use $t_0 = 530$ UTC to create $t = 630$ UTC, repeat for $t = 730$ UTC, repeat for $t = 830$ UTC, and repeat for $t = 930$ UTC.

Band 8 – 6.2 μm 530 UTC

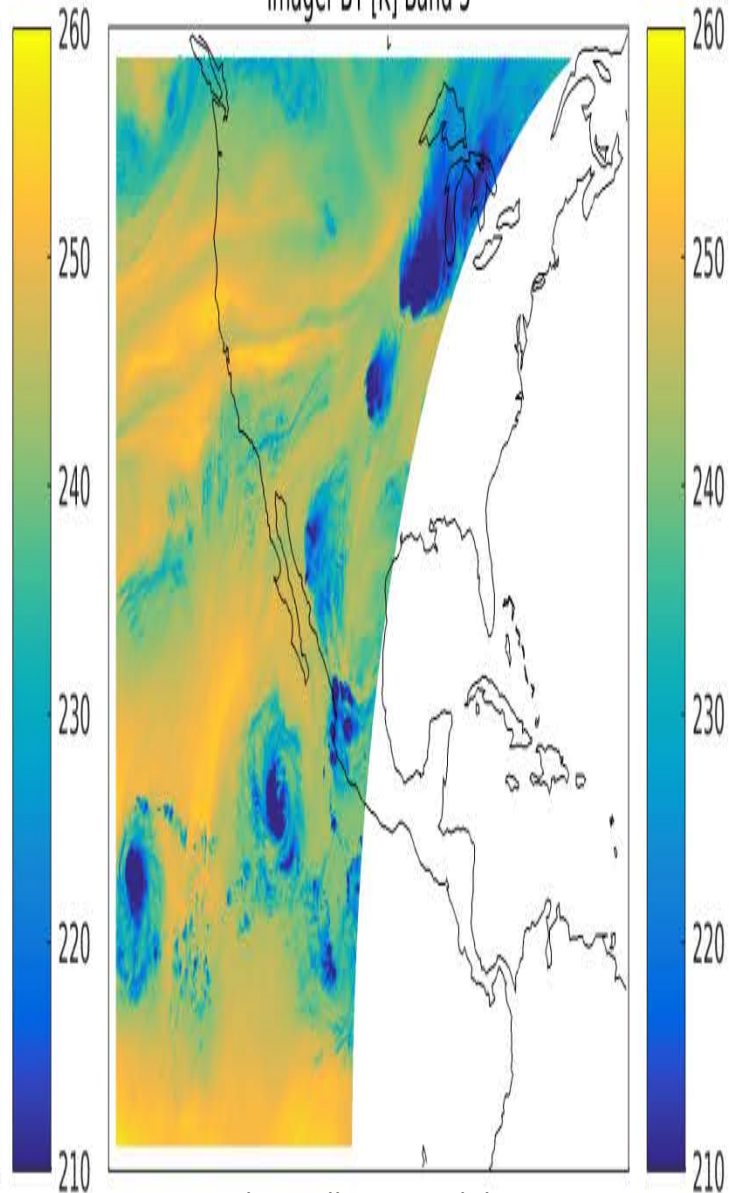
Original ABI BT [K] Band 8 (6.2 μm) - 0530



Fusion ABI BT [K] Band 8 (6.2 μm)



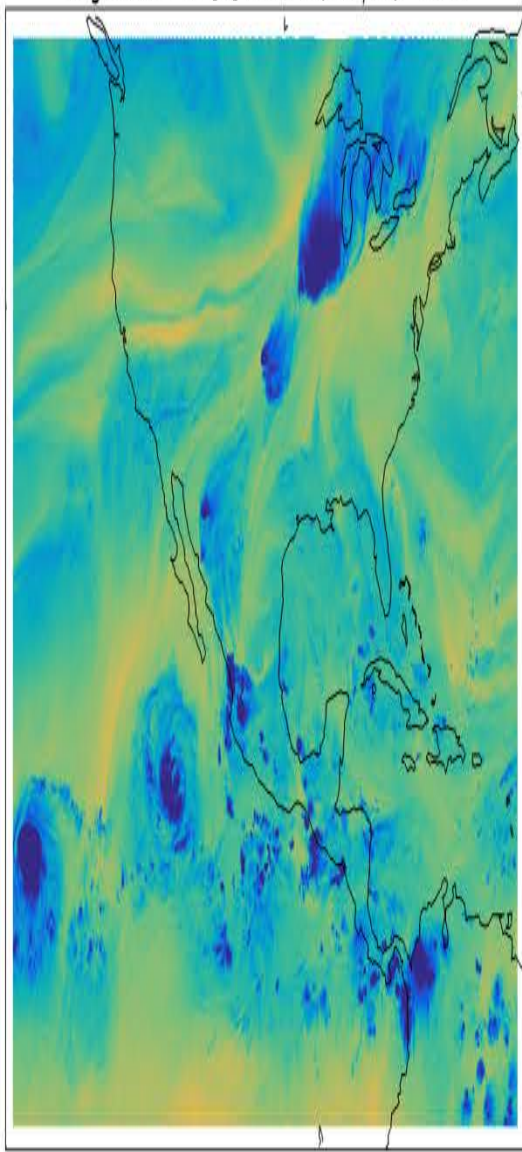
Imager BT [K] Band 3



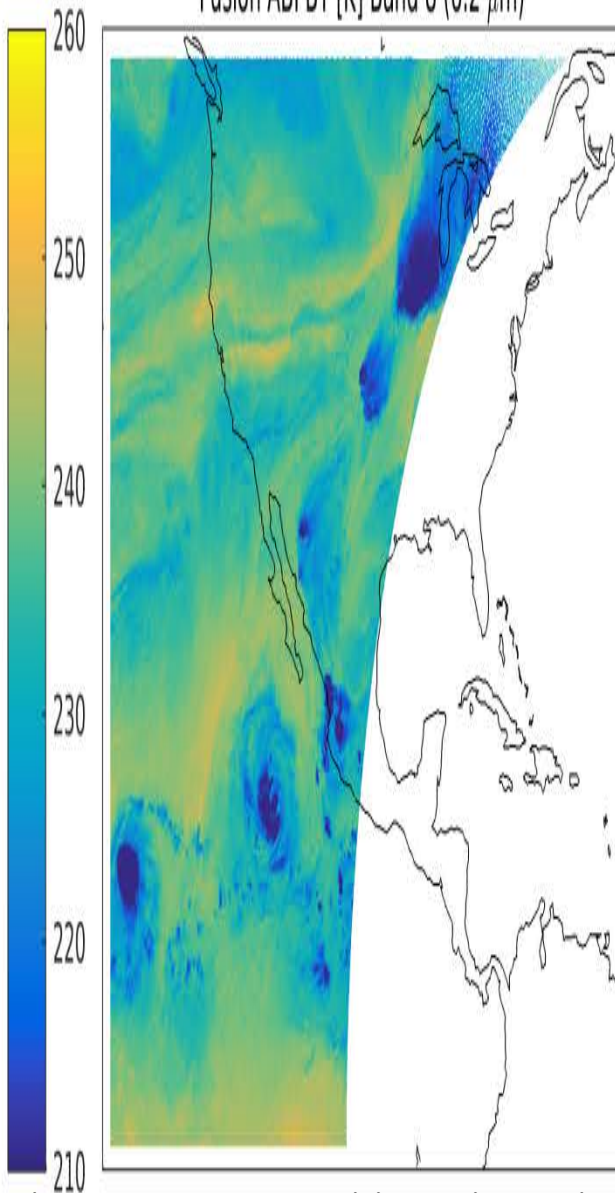
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Band 8 – 6.2 μm 630 UTC

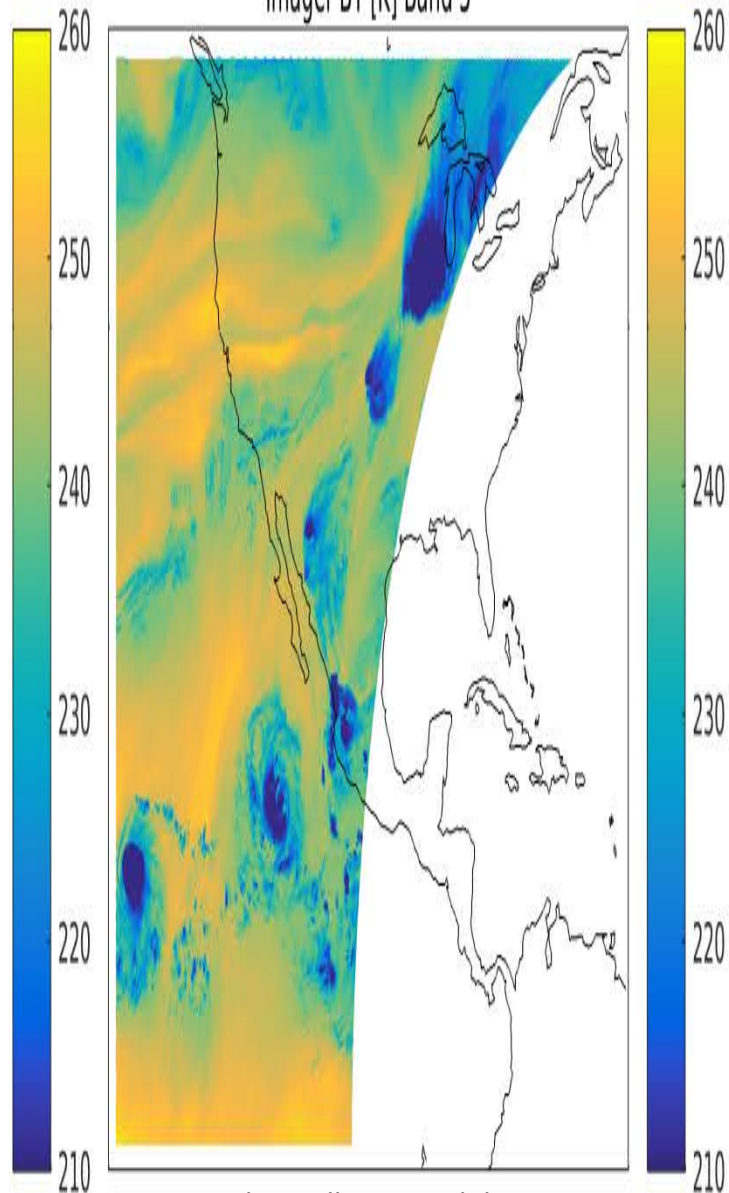
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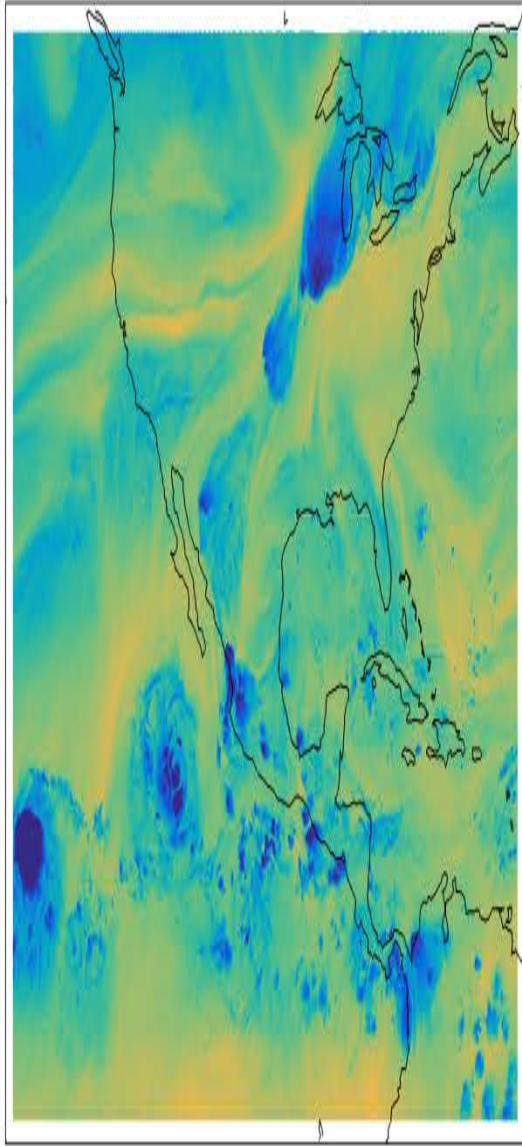
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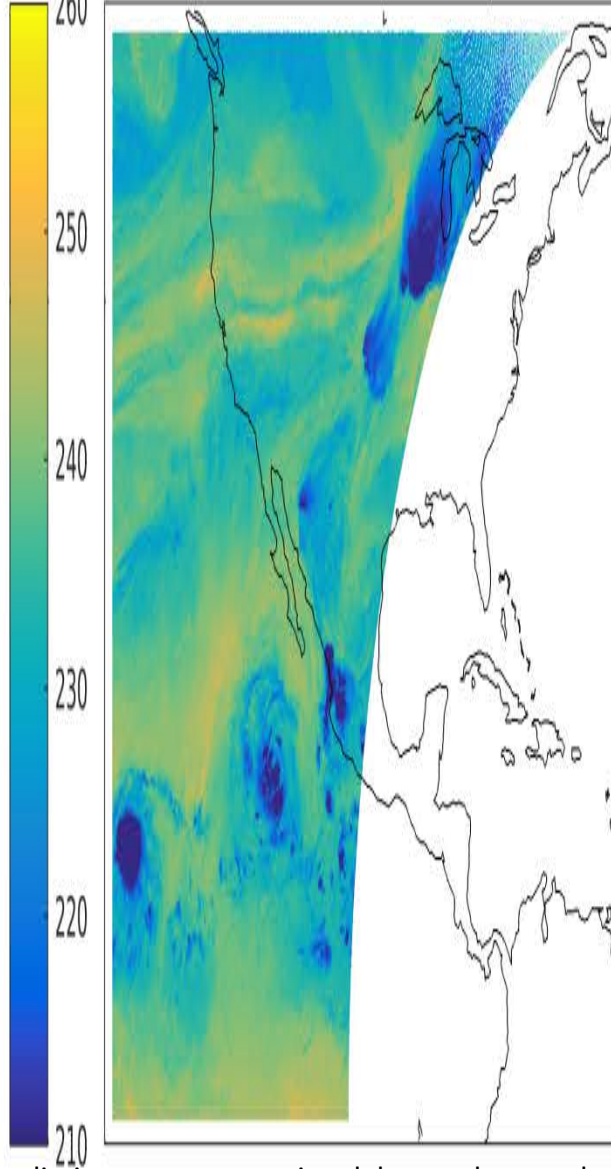
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Band 8 – 6.2 μm 730 UTC

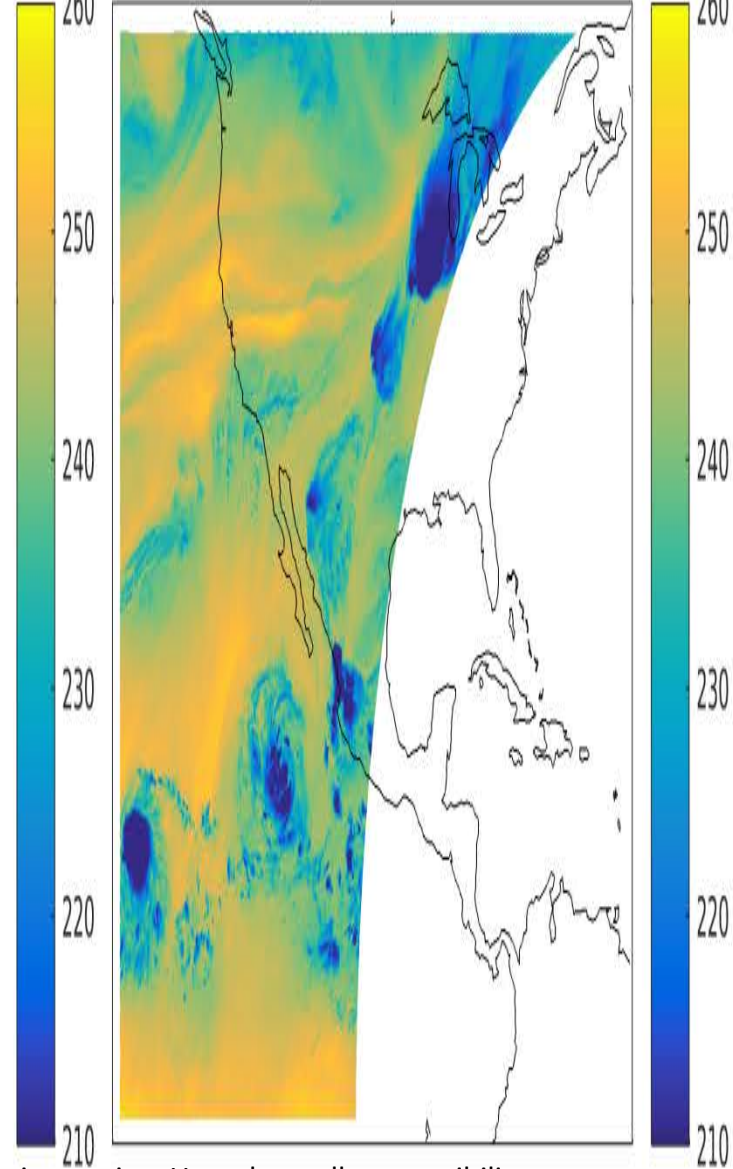
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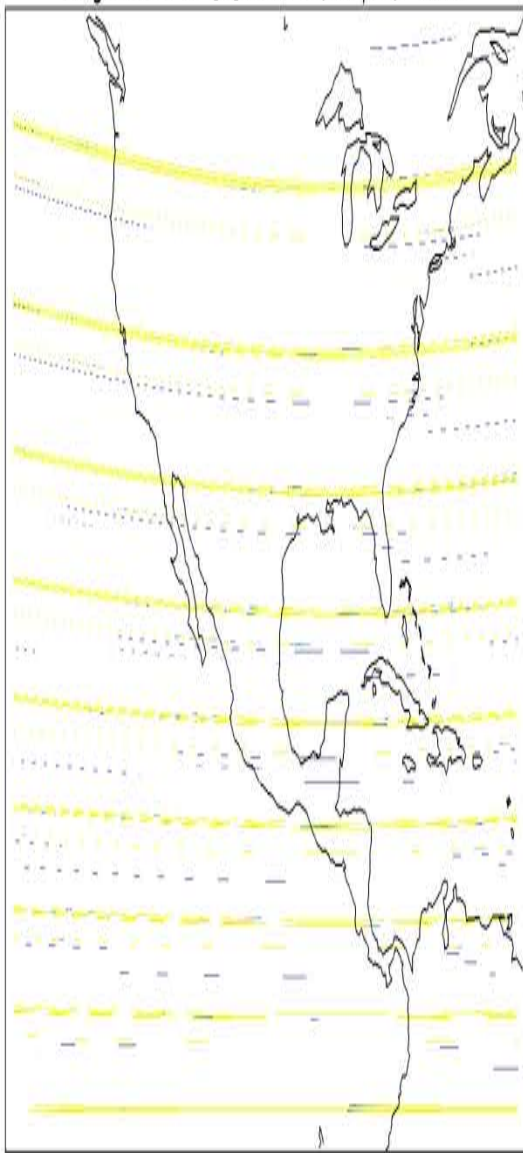
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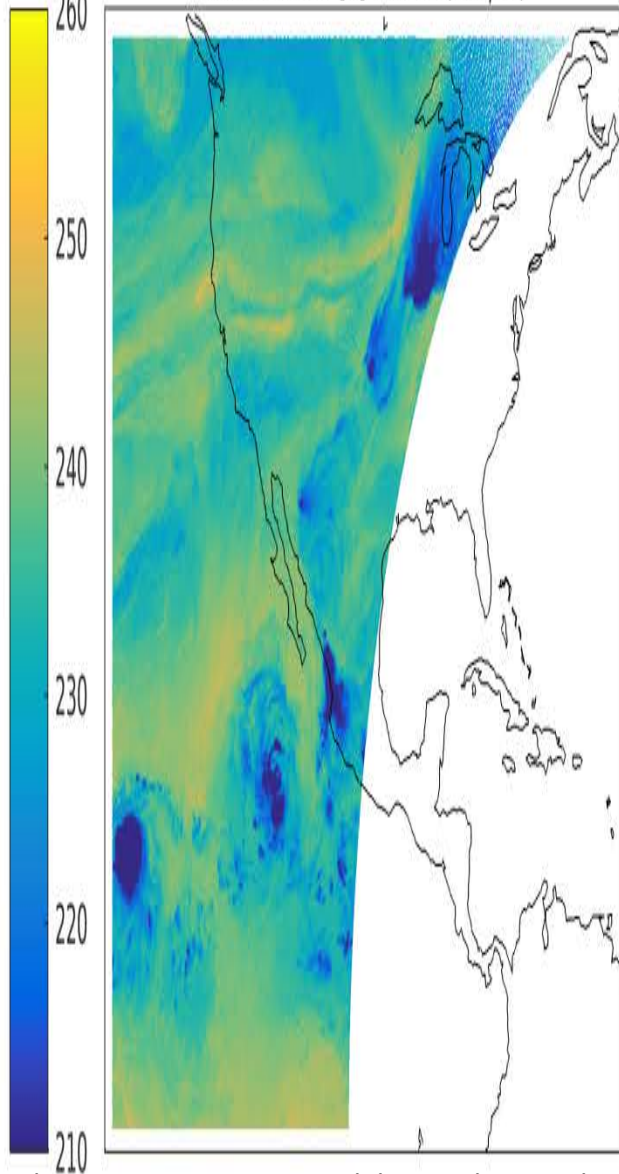
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Band 8 – 6.2 μm 830 UTC

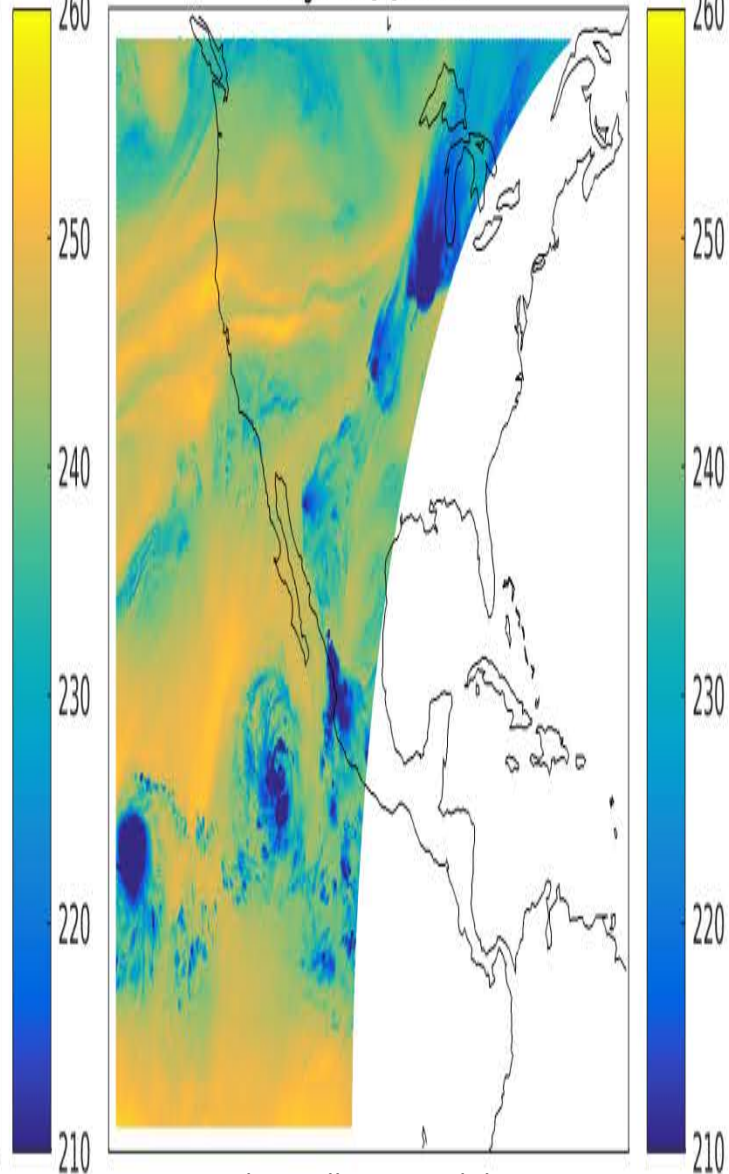
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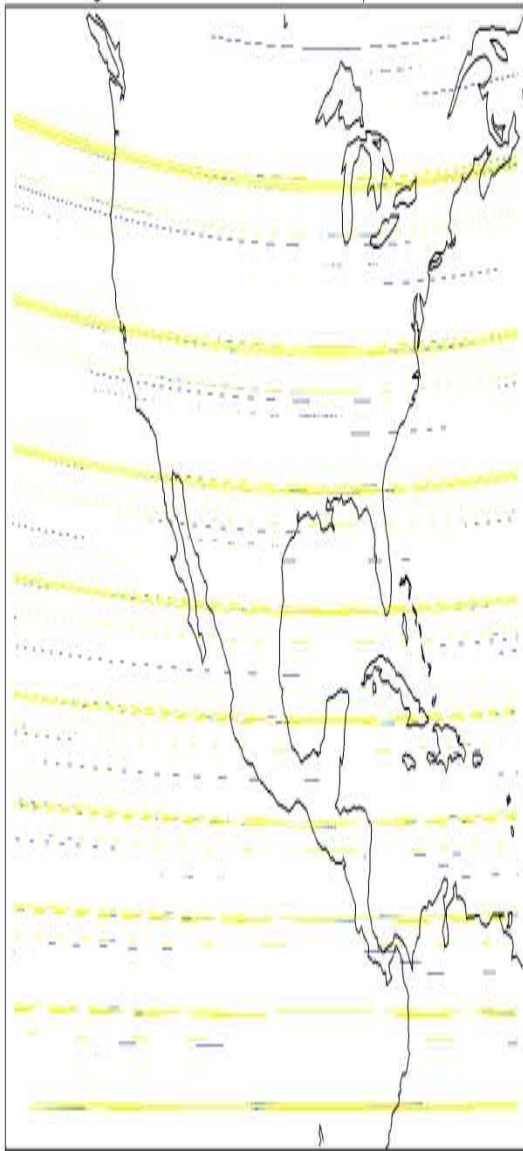
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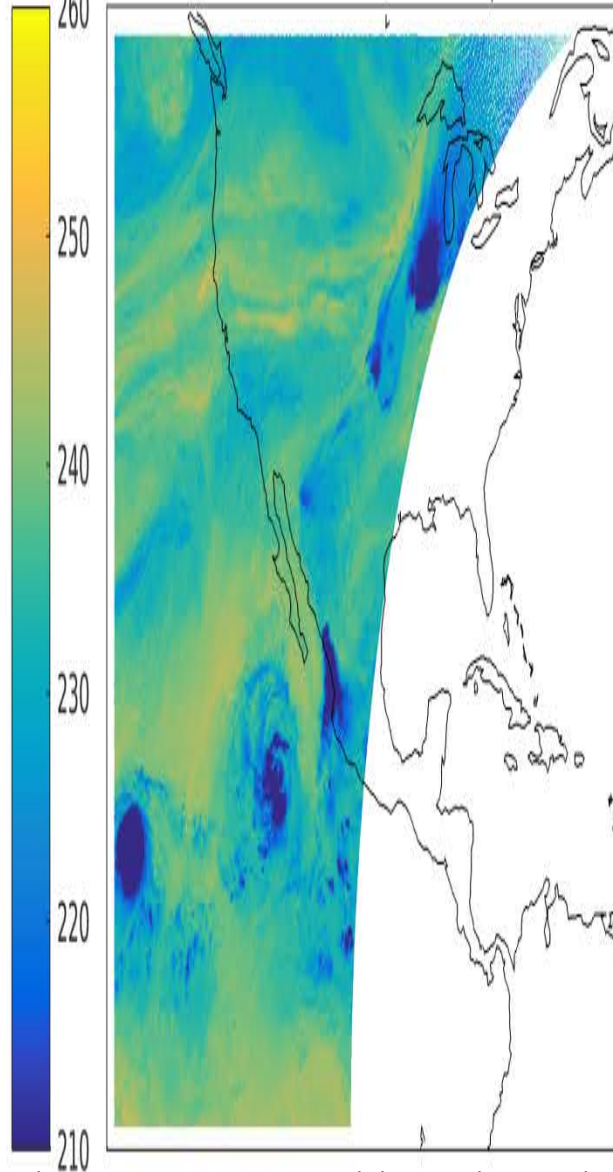
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Band 8 – 6.2 μm 930 UTC

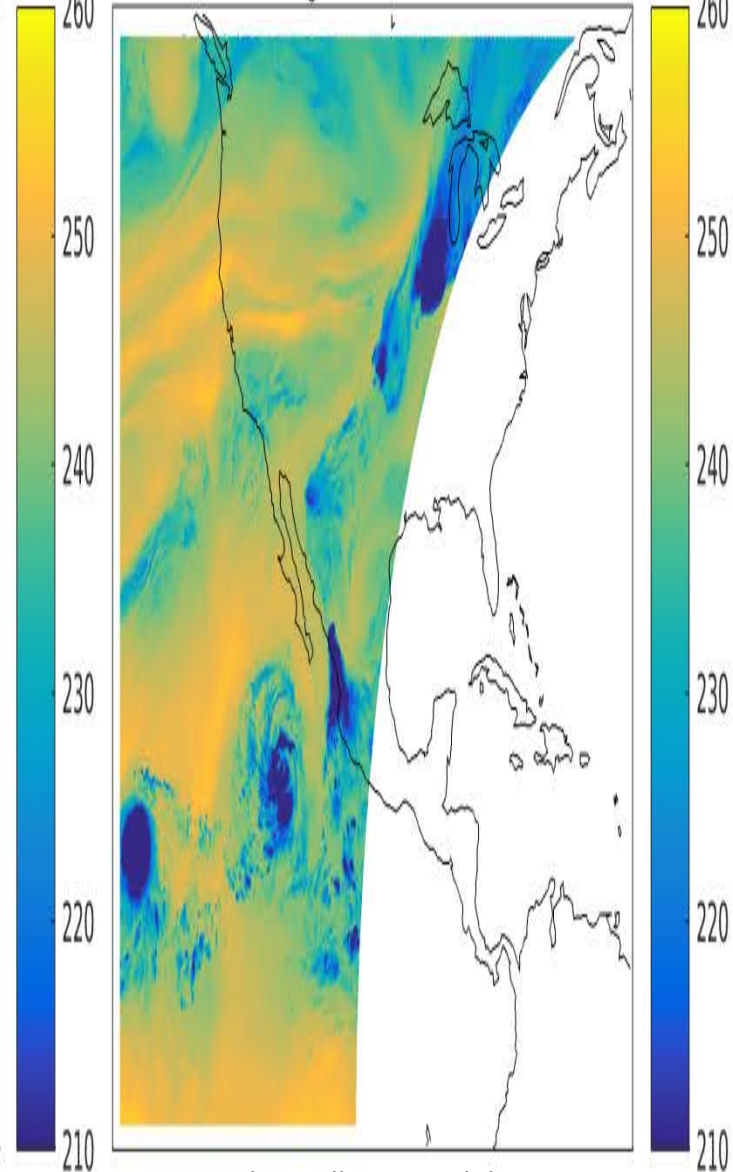
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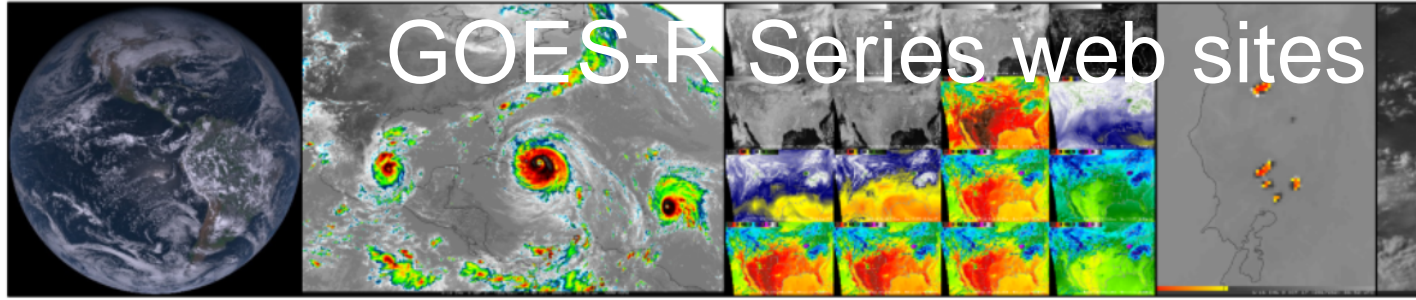
Fusion ABI BT [K] Band 8 (6.2 μm)



Imager BT [K] Band 3



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GOES-R Series web sites



These are links for NOAA's GOES-16 (-17) imagery

<http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/goes/goesdata.html>

- [NOAA STAR ABI Image Viewer](#) (*can save animated gif*)
- [SSEC Geo Browser](#) Color hybrid with GOES-16 and Suomi NPP (*can save animated gif*)
- [SSEC Geo Browser](#) All bands, [Meso1](#) [Meso2](#) and [CONUS](#) and [Full Disk](#), plus a "spectral" ([all channels](#)) [loop](#) (*can save animated gif*) and [GOES-17 \(prelim, non-op\)](#)
- [geo imagery \(SSEC Real Earth TM\)](#) All bands, CONUS and [Full Disk](#) and both meso-scale sectors (*can save animated gif or mp4*) and [GOES-17 \(prelim, non-op\)](#)
- [UW-Madison AOS](#) Many sectors (including [Southern Wisconsin](#)) and several enhancements
- [RAMMB Slider](#) GeoColor, all bands and all sectors (*can save URL*) and [GOES-17 \(prelim, non-op\)](#) ★
- [GOES ABI imagery \(CIRA\)](#) Meso-scale sectors plus Colorado and Central Plains
- [College of DuPage](#) Select bands for the three domains, plus sub-regional and localized sectors (*can save animated gif*)
- [weather.us](#) US view, several options
- [Earl's Satellite Page](#) FD, CONUS, Meso, etc.
- [Meteo-Chile](#) 16 bands and RGB images over Chile and 1-page band fact sheets
- [Brazil's CPTEC](#) All ABI bands in animation over South America.
- [Environment Canada](#) Several sectors and animations.
- [SMN \(Mexico\)](#) Several sectors.
- [UNAM \(Mexico\)](#) Several sectors. ★
- [NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center](#) CONUS and Full Disk sectors. [GOES-17 \(prelim, non-op\)](#)
- [NOAA NESDIS](#) Full Disk view .
- [Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona Beach Meteorology](#) Many sectors, several bands.

GLM (Geostationary Lightning Mapper)

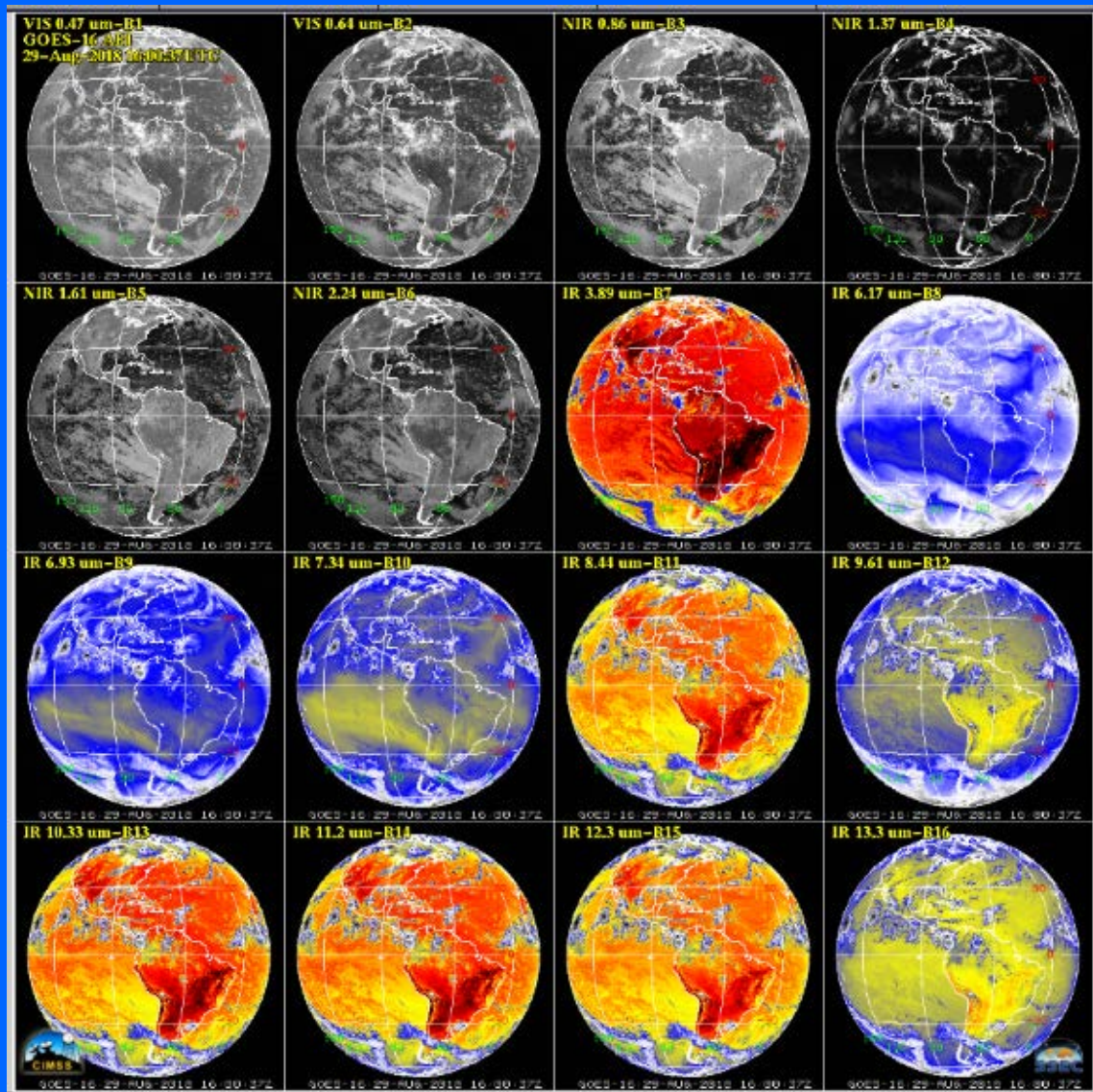
- [GLM realtime data \(SPORT\)](#)
- [GLM and ABI realtime data \(SSEC Real Earth TM\) for Groups](#) and [Group Density](#)
- [GLM near realtime data \(CICS-MD\)](#)
- [Weathernerds](#) ABI (2 bands) and GLM, *can save animated gifs*.

GOES Calibration

- [NOAA STAR GOES-16](#) calibration page
- [CIMSS Imagery 16-band: times difference images](#) 16-panel of the ABI at both CONUS and Full Disk and [GOES-17 \(prelim, non-op\)](#) ★
- [GOES Spectral Response functions](#) Plots and files: GOES-16 and other GOES; plus Planck coefficients
- [GOES-16 ABI Weighting functions](#) both static and realtime

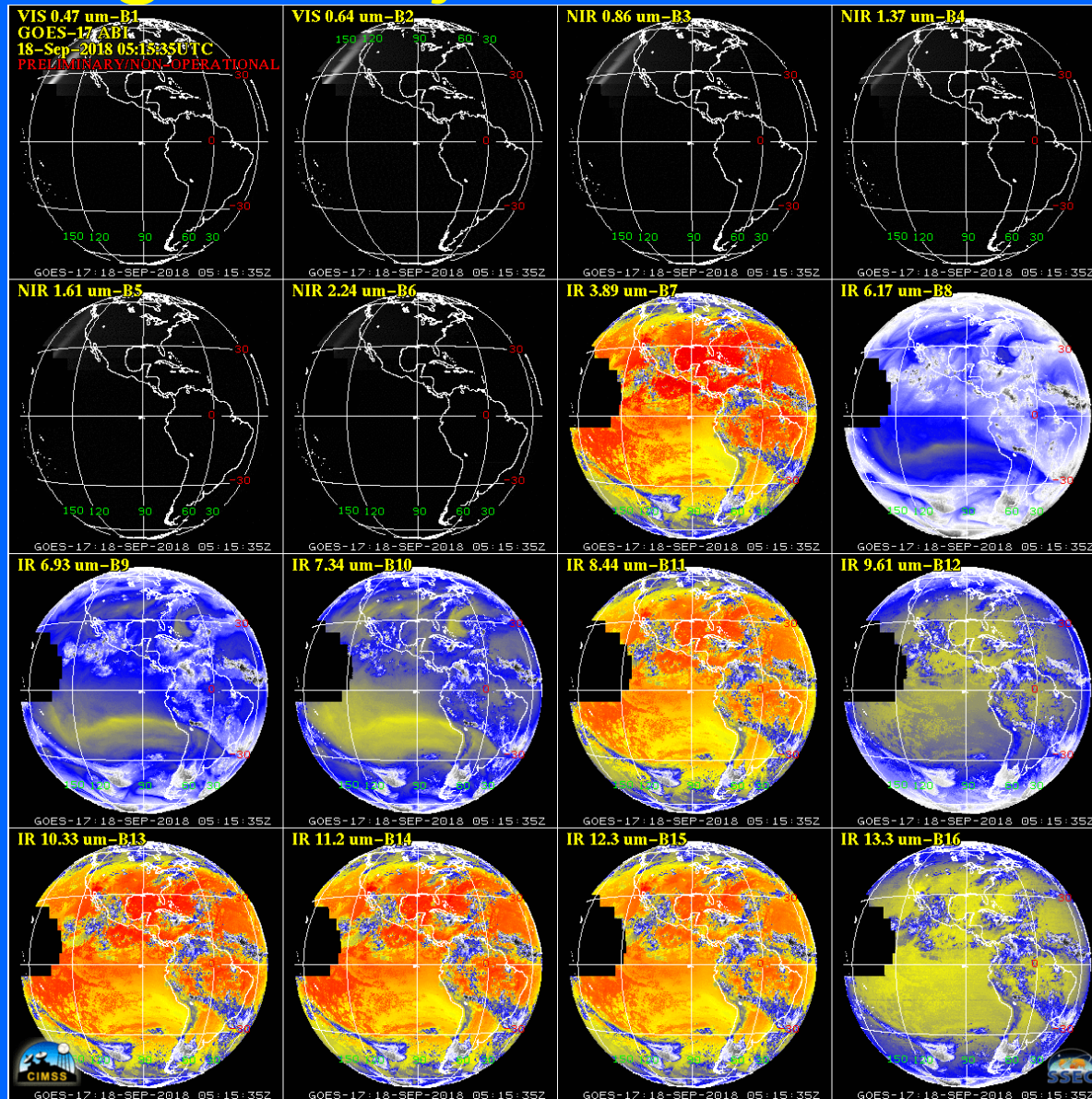
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GOES-R/16 ABI Info
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Bright Object Avoidance



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Parallax 50,000 ft (~15 km) Cloud

The view of a high thunderstorm near St. Louis from an East GOES would have an apparent offset of approximately 18 km away from the satellite sub-point.



10km

20km

30km

40km

50km

Parallax 50,000 ft (~15 km) Cloud

The view of a high thunderstorm near St. Louis from a West GOES would have an apparent offset of approximately 30 km away from the satellite sub-point.



10km

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50km

GOES-17 ABI Mode 6 Test

- Similar to the “flex” mode, but with 10-min Full Disk imagery (not 15-min)
- Still acquire 5-min CONUS and two 1-min meso-scale sectors
- GOES-17 test:
 - September 10-11, 2018
 - Rescheduled to start 9/25

<http://nwafiles.nwas.org/jom/articles/2018/2018-JOM4/2018-JOM4.pdf>

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ABSTRACT

The Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI) on the Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite (GOES)-R series has 16 spectral bands. Two bands are in the visible part of the electromagnetic spectrum, four are in the near-infrared, and ten are in the infrared. The ABI is similar to advanced geostationary imagers on other international satellite missions, such as the Advanced Himawari Imager (AHI) on Himawari-8 and -9. Operational meteorologists can investigate imagery from the ABI to better understand the state and evolution of the atmosphere. Various uses of the ABI spectral bands are described. GOES-R was launched on 19 November 2016 and became GOES-16 upon reaching geostationary orbit. GOES-16 is the first in a series of four spacecraft that will host ABI. GOES-16 became operational on 18 December 2017, in the GOES-East location. The ABI improvement is two orders of magnitude more than the legacy GOES imager due to more spectral bands and finer spatial and temporal resolutions.

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Conclusions

The next generation advanced geostationary imager continues the critical continuity of geostationary imagers and will have huge positive societal impacts, given its improved temporal, spatial, spectral and radiometric attributes.

Impact areas include, but are not limited to: weather (clouds, winds, temperature), Numerical Weather Prediction (forecasts), severe weather, hazards (volcanic ash plumes), aviation, environmental (fires), health (smoke), oceanographic, cryosphere (ice), land, etc.

GOES-17 ABI. The ABI on GOES-17 has a serious heating issue, which is being addressed. GOES-17 may be operated in tandem with a legacy GOES



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