# Tropical cyclone analysis using microwave satellite imagery









# Outline

- Introduction to microwave remote sensing
- Passive microwave detection data application
  - Application of microwave imager data in typhoon monitoring
  - Application of microwave sounder data in typhoon monitoring
- Active microwave detection data application
  - Wind field scatterometer data application
  - Rain radar data application



#### Why microwave is used to detect tropical cyclones?



Reason: Due to the dense cirrus clouds covering the tropical cyclone, visible and infrared instruments cannot detect the internal thermal, cloud and rain structures of TC.

The microwave has high transmission characteristics, which can reveal the spiral structure of the dense cloud area of the typhoon, and can be used to identify the warm center position of typhoon. Microwave is divided into passive microwave and active microwave detection. Schematic diagram and satellite observation of tropical cyclone cloud and rain



# **Measuring Electromagnetic Energy**

#### Passive Instruments:

- Receive radiation from the earthatmosphere system
- Measure solar radiation reflected by earth/atmosphere targets
- Measure emitted and scattered infrared radiation
- Measure microwave radiation from emission and scattering

## Active Instruments:

- Emit pulses of radiation, usually at microwave frequencies
- Measure radiation returned to the sensor
- Examples
  - Surface-based and airborne radars
  - Satellite scatterometers



Energy to satellite

Ocear

# **Passive Microwave Sensor**

Passive sensors (FY-3,SSM/I, SSMIS, TMI, AMSU, AMSR2, etc.) measure emitted microwave energy from 19 to 200 GHZ

Emissivities are directly related to brightness temperatures (T<sub>b</sub>)

- scattering effects by ice
- emission by light precipitation
- emission/absorption by cloud liquid water and rain droplets

Microwave window channel T<sub>b</sub> can be used to quantify these emissivities



Based on different detection targets, passive on-board microwave instruments can be divided into two categories:

- one is a microwave imager that targets atmospheric cloud rain and surface features. The detection channel is located in the atmospheric window or the weak water vapor absorption zone, mainly affected by the absorption and scattering of water vapor, liquid water and ice crystals in the atmosphere.
- The other is a microwave sounder that targets the vertical distribution of atmospheric temperature and humidity. The detection channel is located near the strong absorption band of oxygen and water vapor. The selected channels are located at different positions of the absorption band, and the detected weights are different in height, and the atmospheric temperature and wet profile can be detected.

Microwave Transmittance



# Current/Operational Microwave Imagers and Sounders/Platforms

#### Microwave imager

- SSM/I 1 DMSP satellite (F-15)
- SSMIS 3 DMSP satellites (F-16, F-17, F-18)
- TMI and PR TRMM NASA/Japan
- MWRI—FY-3

#### Microwave sounder

- AMSU-A/B 6 satellites (NOAA 15, 16, 18, 19) and European MetOP-A/B
- MWTS/MWHS— FY-3



#### **Microwave Imager**





#### **Typical Products:**

Atmosphere: Land Surface: Ocean Surface: atmospheric precipitable water, precipitation LST, soil moisture, snow water equivalent SST

## **Microwave Imager**



MicroWave Radiation Imager MWRI/FY-3

#### **MWRI Instrument Specification**

↓ 旋转轴	
Y <del>v</del>	
x	
0 対副≥1400km 1抽角 θ=±52°	
▶ 地面轨迹	

Channel No.	Central Freq.	Bandpass (MHz)	ΝΕΔΤ	Dynamic Range (K)	Beam Efficiency	Nadir Resolution
1	10.65V	180 10%	0.6K	3-340	90%	51km 85km
2	10.65H	180 10%	0.6K	3-340	90%	51km 85km
3	18.7V	200 10%	1.0K	3-340	90%	30km 50km
4	18.7H	200 10%	1.0K	3-340	90%	30km 50km
5	23.8V	400 10%	1.0K	3-340	90%	27km 45km
6	23.8H	400 10%	1.0K	3-340	90%	27km 45km
7	36.5V	900 10%	1.0K	3-340	90%	18km 30km
8	36.5H	900 10%	1.0K	3-340	90%	18km 30km
9	89V	双边带2300 2 10%	2.0K	3-340	90%	9km 15km
10	89H	双边带2300 2 10%	2.0K	3-340	90%	9km 15km

## **Key Characteristics of Microwave Radiation**



Water surfaces (e.g, oceans) have low emissivity (~0.4-0.5) and appear "cold" at microwave frequencies.

Land surfaces have a much greater emissivity (~0.9).

Raindrops have high emissivity and are "warmer". They contrast against a "colder" ocean background.

Higher frequency (shorter wavelength) microwaves (~85 GHz) are scattered by ice particles in precipitating clouds, reducing radiation reaching the satellite (these regions also look "cold").



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<-- 36V Brightness Temp (Kelvin) -->



#### Sinlake from MWRI Map (20080912)





drop size in cloud increase the scattering signal in low frequency map

• BT map of Sinlake from low freqency to high freqency

• Strong rainfall structure within Typhoon related highly with low frequency map (10 and 18 GHz)

• Typhoon 2D structure is more perfect and clearer at high frequency map (36 and 89 GHz)



#### **3D precipitation analysis**



#### Microwave imager data analyze typhoon characteristics (FY-3 MWRI, EOS AMSER-E,TRMM TMI) 37 Vs 89 GHz

- 36-37 GHz is sensitive to raindrop particles, used to detect low-level cloud/raindrop distribution and circulation;
- 85-91GHz is sensitive to ice particles, used to detect deep convective cloud structures.
- High and low level circulation changes can by detected by combined use.



# The application of Microwave image data

85-91-GHz images  $\rightarrow$  primary signature is lowered T<sub>b</sub> caused by ice scattering and cloud and rain droplets within deep convection and precipitating anvil clouds

36-37-GHz images → primary signature is elevated Tb because of minor emission from liquid hydrometeors near or below the freezing level





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85 GHz 'H'

160 170

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#### Typhoon positioning

# 85 GHz 'Comp'

1800Z 20P ULUI 0004Z TRMM COMPOSITE 2357Z MTSAT VIS

Naval Research Lab www.nrlmry.navy.mil/sat products.html Red=85PCT Green=85H Blue=85V



Naval Research Lab www.nrlmry.navy.mil/sat products.html Red=37PCT Green=37V Blue=37H

# 89 GHz 'Comp'

89 composite

36.5 composite





36.5 GHz 'H' 

# 85-91GHZ Imagery Interpretation

- Imagery can penetrate through cirrus clouds and reveal internal storm structure
- Land appears warm relative to water surfaces
- Water surfaces and deep convection appear relatively cold (due to scattering from ice)
- Low-level moist air masses act to warm brightness temperatures over water surfaces
- Imagery is better at locating tropical cyclone centers than conventional visible and infrared
- Imagery is able to distinguish deep convection, but can not always see low-level circulations associated primarily with low-level clouds



# **36-37GHZ Imagery Interpretation**

Precipitating clouds and land-surface appear warm against a relatively cold ocean background

Cold features: sea surface only

Imagery highlights low-level cloud features and storm structure

Imagery identifies cirruscovered eyes and gives a 'true' low-level center instead of a mid/upperlevel center (as in 85-91 GHz imagery



#### Single Frequency Interpretation





#### **Ocean region appear** <u>Cold</u> in 36.5V





#### **Single Frequency Interpretation**

**Rain appears** 

Warm in 89H



# Rain appears <u>Cool</u> in 36.5H



#### **Single Frequency Interpretation**

#### Ice appears <u>Cool</u> to <u>Cold</u> in 85H; rain is <u>Warm</u>



#### Rain appears <u>Cool</u> in 37V (<u>less cold</u> over water Dense ice looks <u>Warm</u>





Advantages of Using 85-GHz and 37-GHz Imagery for TC Analysis

- In a sense, "sees" through clouds
- Identification of circulation center (critical step in initiating TC advisories)
- Acquire positioning of TCs in difficult situations (especially in early stages of development and at night)
- View of convective rain bands is more directly related to intensification of the TC
- Monitoring structural changes such as eyewall formation and eyewall replacement cycles



#### Eye Size Bias Correction: Account for Eyewall Slope



Eye size bias correction for each channel accounts for Eyewall slope.

Currently 45 degree eyewall slope is assumed however recent research suggests eyewall slope may change with TC eye size

Smaller eye = steeper slope

Channels for SSMIS

# **Parallax Error in Center Fixing**

Satellite derived position error exists, potentially up to 20 km from actual position

Occurs due to conical viewing angle and/or viewing geometry of the satellite

Higher parallax error in 89-GHz images since scattering hydrometeors produce a signature much higher in the eyewall at 89 GHz than at 36.5 GHz

# 37 Vs 85 GHz – Parallax

# 37 GHz 5 km or less 85 GHz - 10-20 km





#### **85-GHz Parallax**



Parallax viewing effect has an effect on the positioning of the centers of tropical cyclones. At 85 GHz the satellite views a feature composed of ice crystals high in the cloud system, apparently above point X. **But because of the conical viewing angle or viewing geometry**, the satellite-derived position is displaced to point Y.



But at 37 GHz the rain feature sensed is much lower in the cloud as we have mentioned. The displacement due to viewing geometry still occurs, but the displacement is less.



#### FY3D MWRI 89H

89H



36.5H



Eye feature visible on both 36.5-GHZ composite



# Positioning for CDO typhoon

Compared to the IR images, the circulations of typhoon can be shown clearly in microwave image







# Positioning for weak typhoon Look for eye in low level



# Positioning for weak typhoon Look for convective free darker areas

Compared to the IR images, the circulations of typhoon can be shown clearly in microwave image

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# Positioning for weak typhoon Look for low level circulation

Compared to the IR images, the circulations of typhoon can be shown clearly in microwave image








## Positioning for weak typhoon Look for low level circulation



# Differences of Position of typhoon between IR and MW









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#### Morphed Integrated Microwave Imagery at CIMSS (MIMIC)



The observation interval is from 30 minutes to 25 hours. But a 15-minute interval simulation image can be obtained by integrated evolution techniques.

Five polar-orbiting satellites are used: DMSP-13/14/15, SSM/I (85 GHz channel), TRMM TMI (89 GHz channel), Aqua AMSR-E (85 GHz (A) channel)



#### Microwave Imager Intensity Algorithm Based on SSMIS

Ritchie etal, 2014

SSMIS\_Vmax = 0.7\*p\_anom + 2.0\*max\_grad + 0.4\*archer\_score + 37

- ✓ p\_anom: SSMIS derived mean sea level pressure (MSLP) anomaly,
- max\_grad: the maximum Tb gradient determined within 120km of the TC centre
- archer\_score: the intensity score determined by ARCHER



SSMIS channels 3, 4 and 5 show the TC warm core anomaly and ARCHER panel based on SSMIS 91GHz

# JMA Objective Intensity Algorithm based on TRMM/TMI Brightness Temperature Distribution

- ✓ Cluster Analysis is performed for 19, 37 and 85 GHz Imagery
- Clusters are located either within a radial distance from the TC center or within quadrants aligned with the TC motion vector
- Regression analysis of the Tb associated with these clusters is then performed
- ✓ Some subjective re-classifying of the clusters is still

- JMA introduced this method in 2014 and further refinements of the method are expected.
- In future, it may be expanded to AMSR2 or GPM data



#### CIMSS SATellite CONsensus Method (SATCON)

- Members: CIMSS ADT, CIRA and CIMSS AMSU and CIMSS SSMIS algorithms
- Weighting each member according to the past statistical performance
- In future, S-NPP ATMS sounder

SATCON = 
$$\frac{W_1W_2(W_1+W_2)E_3 + W_1W_3(W_1+W_3)E_2 + W_3W_2(W_3+W_2)E_1}{W_1W_2(W_1+W_2) + W_1W_3(W_1+W_3) + W_3W_2(W_3+W_2)}$$
$$W_n = \text{weight of method n} \qquad E_n = \text{estimate of method n}$$

#### Final SATCON = 0.25\*P-W\_MSW + 0.75\*SATCON\_MSW





# Summary for the MW imagery applications

- Improve position estimates for Dvorak intensity estimates
  - Helps locate center when obscured by clouds
  - Incorrect center location can yield incorrect intensity estimates, especially when using embedded center or shear pattern
- Monitoring internal TC structure
  - Eye formation
  - Eyewall replacement cycle

#### Spectral continuity, higher spectral resolution, higher NE $\Delta$ T



#### **Typical Products:**

- Temperature Profile, Moisture Profile, Ozone amount
- Atmospheric Instabilities



Infra-red: Sounding for clear sky

CO<sub>2</sub> for Temperature

H<sub>2</sub>O for Moisture

#### MW: Sounding for cloudy sky

O<sub>2</sub> for Temperature

H<sub>2</sub>O for Moisture

#### TABLE II FY3B/IRAS CHANNEL CHARACTERISTICS

Infrared Atmospheric Sounder **IRAS/FY-3** 31.40 10 iras\_fy3b \_\_\_Ch01 Pressure (hPa) Height (km) - Ch02 - Ch03 100 Sh13 Ch11 Ch07 Ch08 1000 0.11 0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25 0.30 Weighting Function

Channel	Central	Central	Half Power	Absorbing	ΝΕΔΝ	EnergyPeakAltitude
(HIRS	Wavenumber	Wavelengh	Bandwidth	Gas	(mW/m <sup>2</sup>	(hPa)
channel)	(cm <sup>-1</sup> )	(µm)	(cm <sup>-1</sup> )		.sr.cm <sup>-1</sup> )	
1 (1)	669	14.95	3	CO <sub>2</sub>	4.00	30
2 (2)	680	14.71	10	CO <sub>2</sub>	0.80	60
3 (3)	690	14.49	12	CO <sub>2</sub>	0.60	100
4 (4)	703	14.22	16	CO <sub>2</sub>	0.35	400
5 (5)	716	13.97	16	CO <sub>2</sub>	0.32	600
6 (6)	733	13.84	16	CO <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O	0.36	800
7 (7)	749	13.35	16	CO <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> O	0.30	900
8 (10)	802	12.47	30	Window	0.20	Surface
9 (8)	900	11.11	35	Window	0.15	Surface
10 (9)	1030	9.71	25	O <sub>3</sub>	0.20	25
11	1345	7.43	50	H <sub>2</sub> O	0.23	800
12 (11)	1365	7.33	40	H <sub>2</sub> O	0.30	700
13 (12)	1533	6.52	55	H <sub>2</sub> O	0.30	500
14 (13)	2188	4.57	23	N <sub>2</sub> O	0.009	1000
15 (14)	2210	4.52	23	N <sub>2</sub> O	0.007	950
16 (15)	2235	4.47	23	CO <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> O	0.007	700
17 (16)	2245	4.45	23	CO <sub>2</sub> /N <sub>2</sub> O	0.007	400
18 (17)	2388	4.19	25	CO <sub>2</sub>	0.007	700
19 (18)	2515	3.98	35	Window	0.007	Surface
20 (19)	2660	3.76	100	Window	0.003	Surface
21(20)	14500	0.69	1000	Window	0.10%A	Cloud
22	11299	0.885	385	Window	0.10%A	Surface
23	10638	0.94	550	H <sub>2</sub> O	0.10%A	Surface
24	10638	0.94	200	H <sub>2</sub> O	0.10%A	Surface
25	8065	1.24	650	H <sub>2</sub> O	0.10%A	Surface
26	6098	1.64	450	H <sub>2</sub> O	0.10%A	Surface

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11<sup>th</sup> International Training Course on Satellite

Meteorology, Beijing

微波温度计

MicroWave Temperature Sounder

MWTS/FY-3



Parameter	Specification	
Scan Angle	±49.5°	
Pixels Per Scan Line	90	<b></b> 15
Quantization	13 bits	

Ch No.	Central Frequency (GHz)	3dB Bandwidth (MHz)	ΝΕΔΤ (K)	Main Beam Eff.	Dynamic Range (K)	Cal. Acc. (K)	Purpose
1	50.3	180	1.20	>90%	3~340	1.5	Surface Emiss.
2	51.76	400	0. 75	>90%	3~340	1.5	
3	52.8	400	0. 75	>90%	3~340	1.5	
4	53. 596	400	0.75	>90%	3~340	1.5	Atmospheric
5	54.40	400	0. 75	>90%	3~340	1.5	Temperature Profile
6	54.94	400	0.75	>90%	3~340	1.5	Tionic
7	55. 50	330	0. 75	>90%	3~340	1.5	
8	57.290344(fo)	330	0.75	>90%	3~340	1.5	
9	fo±0.217	78	1.20	>90%	3~340	1.5	
10	fo±0.3222±0.048	36	1.20	>90%	3~340	1.5	
11	fo $\pm 0.3222 \pm 0.022$	16	1.70	>90%	3~340	1.5	
12	$f_0 \pm 0.3222 \pm 0.010$	8	2.40	>90%	3~340	1.5	
13	$f_0 \pm 0.3222 \pm 0.0045$	3	3.60	>90%	3~340	1.5	

#### 微波湿度计

MicroWave Humidity Sounder

MWHS/FY-3





Parameter	Specification
Scan Angle	$\pm$ 53.35 $^{\circ}$
Pixels Per Scan Line	98
Quantization	14 bits

0 0 5 1 8	Ch No.	Central Frequency (GHz)	Pola rizat ion	Band width (MHz)	Freq. Stability (MHz)	Dynamic Range (K)	NE ΔT (K)	Cal. Acc. (K)	Main Beam Widt h	Main Beam Eff.	Purpose
3 2 08	1	89.0	V	1500	50	3-340	1.0	1.3	2.0°	>92%	Surface and Precipitation
-	2	118.75±0.08	H	20	30	3-340	3.6	2.0	2.0°	>92%	
	3	118.75±0.2	H	100	30	3-340	2.0	2.0	2.0°	>92%	
	4	118.75±0.3	Н	165	30	3-340	1.6	2.0	2.0°	>92%	
- - -	5	118.75±0.8	Н	200	30	3-340	1.6	2.0	2.0°	>92%	A tracenherie
>	6	118.75±1.1	Н	200	30	3-340	1.6	2.0	2.0°	>92%	Temperature
7 4.5	7	118.75±2.5	Н	200	30	3-340	1.6	2.0	2.0°	>92%	FIOINE
1.8 1	8	118.75±3.0	Н	1000	30	3-340	1.0	2.0	2.0°	>92%	
	9	118.75±5.0	Н	2000	30	3-340	1.0	2.0	2.0°	>92%	
	10	150.0	V	1500	50	3-340	1.0	1.3	1.1°	>95%	Surface and Precipitation
	11	183.31±1	Н	500	30	3-340	1.0	1.3	1.1°	>95%	
	12	183.31±1.8	H	700	30	3-340	1.0	1.3	1.1°	>95%	Atmospheric
	13	183.31±3	Н	1000	30	3-340	1.0	1.3	1.1°	>95%	Moisture
<b>–</b>	14	183.31±4.5	H	2000	30	3-340	1.0	1.3	1.1°	>95%	Profile
.0	15	183.31±7	Н	2000	30	3-340	1.0	1.3	1.1°	>95%	

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Global Mosaicing Image from Ascending Orbit of MWTS Ch. 1 Global Mosaicing Image from Ascending Orbit of MWHS Ch. 1



920hPa等压面温度-1000hPa等压面温度

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Temperature in 3 layers along the red track

Temperature inversion layer (31 Jan, 2008)

#### **Radiometric characteristics of the AMSU-A**

Channel Number	Frequency (GHz)	Polarization (at <u>nadir</u> )	Number of Bands	Instrument Sensitivity <u>NEDT</u> ( <u>K</u> )	Primary Function
1	23.8	vertical	1	0.30	Water Vapor Burden
2	31.4	vertical	1	0.30	Water Vapor Burden
3	50.3	vertical	1	0.40	Water Vapor Burden
4	52.8	vertical	1	0.25	Water Vapor Burden
5	53.596 ± 0.115	horizontal	2	0.25	Tropospheric Temperature
6	54.4	horizontal	1	0.25	Tropospheric Temperature
7	54.94	vertical	1	0.25	Tropospheric Temperature
8	55.5	horizontal	1	0.25	Tropospheric Temperature
9	57.290	horizontal	1	0.25	Stratospheric Temperature
10	57.290 ± 0.217	horizontal	2	0.40	Stratospheric Temperature
11	57.290 ± 0.3222 ± 0.048	horizontal	4	0.40	Stratospheric Temperature
12	57.290 ± 0.3222 ± 0.022	horizontal	4	0.60	Stratospheric Temperature
13	57.290 ± 0.3222 ± 0.010	horizontal	4	0.80	Stratospheric Temperature
14	57.290 ± 0.3222 ± 0.0045	horizontal	4	1.20	Stratospheric Temperature
15	89.0	vertical	1	0.50	Cloud Top/Snow

#### **Radiometric characteristics of the AMSU-B**

Channel Number	Frequency (GHz)	Polarization (at nadir)	Number of bands	Instrument Sensitivity <u>NEDT</u> ( <u>K</u> )
16	89.9 ± 0.9	vertical	2	0.37
17	150 ± 0.9	vertical	2	0.84
18	183.31 ± 1.00	vertical	2	1.06
19	183.31 ± 3.00	vertical	2	0.70
20	183.31 ± 7.00	vertical	2	0.60

#### Microwave sounder used for typhoon positioning

Microwave sounder can not only detect vertical profiles of atmospheric temperature and humidity, but it also has the unique ability to penetrate through heavy cloud layers, except for precipitation clouds, and it can detect the inner structure of typhoons.



#### AMSU-B data estimate the center of weak tropical cyclones



#### **Precipitation Estimation**



These two figures is the microwave precipitation estimation with background of infrared image. The left figure shows the symmetric typhoon circulation with regular precipitation distribution around the typhoon center, while the right image shows another typhoon with comma circulation and precipitation distribution.

#### Application of Microwave Thermometer Data in Analysis of Tropical Cyclone Heat Structure





Simulation of the response of the thermal characteristics by AMSU tropospheric temperature channel (Andrew, 1992).



#### simulated by MM5

## Cyclone Center Simulated by AMSU-A

The simulation shows that the AMSU-A temperature channel on 50-60 GHz band has a significant radiation response to the upper center of the cyclone center, which can reveal the warm core structure of the cyclone upper layer.

Haurwrits (1935) proved by fluid mechanics that the measured tropical cyclone center pressure should be supported by a warm nuclear structure that extends the entire troposphere. AMSU-A observations can provide typhoon warm-heart monitoring and obtain typhoon intensity—the central lowest sea level pressure.

#### **AMSU Response Analysis of Tropical Cyclone Cloud Rain Structure**



atmosphere. The disclosure of the typhoon cloud and rain

structure contributes to the understanding of the development of

tropical cyclones.

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number of point

## Case study: (Nuri, 0812#)



#### Nuri (0812) August, 20th, 2008, 05:16 (UTC)







1.5

-0.5

-1.5



54.96GHz

55.5GHz

57.29 GHz



NOAA-18/AVHRR



AMSU-B Bright temperature profile

#### Nuri (0812)

AMSU-B Brightness Temperature CH1 2008-08-20 05:16 20<sup>1</sup> N 20<sup>1</sup> N 20<sup>1</sup> N 10<sup>1</sup> L 10<sup>1</sup> E 10<sup>2</sup> E 10<sup>2</sup> E 10<sup>2</sup> E 10<sup>2</sup> E 10<sup>2</sup> E 10<sup>2</sup> E

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250 240

230 220

210 200

190

180

89GHz



183.31 $\pm$ 1 GHz

#### August 20, 2008 05:16 (UTC)

2008-08-20 05:16



150GHz



Convection distribution

# Changes in the warming of the upper layer of Parrot (0812) from August 19 to August 21, 2008



The analysis of the changes of typhoon upper warming, it can be seen that the typhoon is a process of strengthening-weakening-reinforcement.

#### Nuri (0812) Changes in cloud and rain structure from August 19 to 21, 2008



150

BT [K]

130<sup>°</sup> E

8月19日17:54

10<sup>°</sup> N

120<sup>°</sup> E



8月20日05:16

AMSU-B Brightness Temperature CH2



8月20日17:43



8月21日05:06



8月21日17:33 64

## Case study: (Sinlaku, #0813)



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#### Sinlaku(0813) 2008-0910 17:25(UTC)



#### NOAA-18/AVHRR





# AMSU-A Brightness temperature profile





54.4GHz



54.96GHz

55.5GHz

57.29 GHz

66

#### Sinlaku(0813) 2008-0910 17:25(UTC)



NOAA-18/AVHRR



AMSU-B Brightness temperature profile



89GHz

AMSU-B Brightness Temperature CH3

#### 2008-09-10 17:25



183.31±1 GHz

150GHz



Distribution of convection <sup>67</sup>

# Sinlaku Warm heart structure development (September 08 - 13, 2008)





9月8日17:46



9月11日17:15

9月9日17:35



9月12日17:04



9月10日17:25



9月13日16:54

# Sinlaku Cloud and Rain Structure Development (September 08-13, 2008)



30<sup>°</sup> N 20<sup>°</sup> N 10<sup>°</sup> N 10<sup></sup>

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9月8日17:46



9月11日17:15

9月9日17:35



9月12日17:04



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9月10日17:25



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#### **Case study:** (**"Maria"**, #1808) Typhoon warm heart structure evolution 201807051041 201807062212



On July 5th, the warm heart of Maria Typhoon first appeared from 200hpa. On July 6th, the warm heart strengthened and became deep (the warm heart appeared in 400-150hpa). On July 8th, the warm heart was further strengthened, July On the 10th, the warm heart began to weaken, but it was still deep, indicating that the release of latent heat has not yet ended.

After the typhoon landed, the forecasters should pay attention to the impact of convective precipitation.

#### FY-3C / D microwave cloud water contents products



#### FY-3B/C/D continuously track and monitor the typhoon "Maria" precipitation

7.4<sup>7</sup>7.11: The strong precipitation belt gradually transitions from the wind eye wall to the peripheral spiral cloud belt















EV3D MWRIW MRR (mm/h) 20180708 1634















141<sup>°</sup>E


### Average precipitation in the typhoon area



FY-3B/C/D continuously track and monitor the typhoon "Maria" precipitation

## FY3 microwave water condensate profile



### **Microwave reveal typhoon structure**



# Comprehensive monitoring of typhoon using FY3D MWTS and FY4 AGRI



# Comprehensive monitoring of typhoon using FY3D MWHS and FY4 AGRI







## Intensity Estimation of Typhoon by Microwave Temperature Sounder



# Intensity comparisons from estimation and best track of some typhoons in 2012



MWHS Channel 1 with 15 km Resolution



#### Water Vapor at 600hPa from MWHS



#### Water Vapor at 400hPa from MWHS



#### Water Vapor at 800hPa from MWHS



### Water Vapor at 400HPa Variation within 24 Hours



#### subtropical high pressure

#### 24 hours before

9:45 28 July, 2008

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The shape of the subtropical high pressure has changed within 24 hours

The applications of Satellite Ocean Surface Vector Winds

## **Scatterometry Basics**

- Scatterometer → active microwave imager
- Microwave energy sensitive to roughness of ocean surface generated by the surface winds
  - Small capillary-scale Bragg Waves
- By viewing the same patch of ocean from several angles, it is possible to derive wind speed and direction



#### **Ku-band Seawinds**





C-band AMI on board ERS-2



**GMF** 

Scatterometer on Polar-orbiting Satellites

•Measuring wind speeds and wind directions simultaneously

Penetrate thick Cloud
 and Precipitation

•Continuous Observation

•Global Coverage

Instrument	Satellite	<b>Operational Period</b>	Frequency
SASS	Seasat	1978.6~1978.10	Ku
AMI/SCAT	ERS-1	1991.7~2000.3	С
AMI/SCAT	ERS-2	1995.4~2011.7	С
NSCAT	ADEOS-1	1996.8~1997.6	Ku
Seawinds	QuikSCAT	1999.7~2009.11	Ku
Seawinds	ADEOS-2	2002.12~2003.8	Ku
ASCAT	MetOp-A	2006.10~	С
ASCAT	MetOp-B	2012~	С
OSCAT	OceanSAT	2009~2014.2	Ku
RapidSCAT	ISS	2014~	Ku
HY-2	HY-2A	2011~	Ku

Several generations of wind scatterometers have been flown in space by <u>NASA</u>, <u>ESA</u>, <u>NASDA</u> and National Satellite Ocean Application Service in China.
A dual-frequency scatterometer (WIFIR) to be onboard FengYun-3E will be lauched in 2019.

### **Ocean Vector Surface Vector Winds Constellation**

#### Current status and Outlook - NRT data access



## Advanced SCATterometer (ASCAT)

Sensor: Microwave radar Spacecraft: MetOp-1, 2, 3 Launch: 2006, 2012, 2017 Heritage: ERS-1, 2

Channel: 5.25 GHz, C-band

Swath: Two 520-km swaths, with 700-km nadir gap

Enhancements for TC Applications:

((1)) Only long term operational scatterometer series

- ((2)) C-band, less rain contamination, larger footprint
- ((3)) 25- and 50-km wind vector products, good for winds up to gale force winds
- ((4)) Gap in swath center is a major drawback for coverage
- ((5)) 60% of QuikSCAT's coverage

NOAA processed data: http://manati.orbit.nesdis.noaa.gov/datasets/ASCATData.php





### Distribution and accuracy of ASCAT wind



## Example of ASCAT Use

#### Ascat Winds During Tropical Storm Sanba, NW Pacific, 12 September 2012



Typhoon positioning



# Example of ASCAT Use TC Center Fixing



 Reduced rain contamination and prevalence of 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> ambiguities in areas of low winds makes center fixing with ASCAT somewhat easier than with QuikSCAT if the pass samples the center location

## Example of ASCAT Use TC Intensity Analysis



- ASCAT pass over Tropical Storm Philippe at 1410 UTC 4 October 2011 revealed the cyclone to be stronger (50-55 kt) than suggested by Dvorak satellite intensity estimates (45 kt)
- It is difficult to assess the peak intensity with ASCAT however due to spatial sampling considerations, especially in stronger TCs

# Comparison of 12.5Km and 25Km resolution products in Offshore China



2014-07-04-11:50 GrADS: COLA/IGES

# HY-2 satellite instruments

### • Radar altimeter

- Operating frequency: 13.58MHz, 5.25GHz
- High precision: <4cm (under the star)
- Sea and land observation function
- Microwave scatterometer
  - Operating frequency: 13.256GHz
  - Swath: H polarization > 1350km, V polarization > 1700km (much wider than Quickscat and ASCAT)

## HY-2 satellite remote sensing product

# Evaluation of accuracy of main parameters in data products

•  $\rightarrow$ Sea surface altitude

The sea surface altitude measurement accuracy is 6.3 cm; JASON-2 is 5.4 cm.

•  $\rightarrow$  Effective wave height

The accuracy is 29cm estimated using buoy; JASON-2 is 27cm.

#### • $\rightarrow$ Sea surface wind field

The wind speed accuracy is better than 2m/s; the wind direction accuracy is better than 20 degrees that is equal to ASCAT.

## Distribution of main ocean parameters from HY-2 satellite product



 In July 2015, HY-2 satellite continuously monitored typhoon "Chan-hom" and "Nangka", providing effective information for marine weather forecasting, disaster prevention and mitigation.



Typhoon "Chan-hom" landed in Zhoushan, Zhejiang Province around 16:40 on the 11th, becoming the strongest typhoon that landed in Zhejiang in July 1949.



The typhoon Nangka is located at 18° north latitude and 137° east longitude at 09:00 on July 12, with a maximum wind speed of 38m/s.

## TC monitoring examples from SWAP



Monitoring of Severe Tropical Storm 'LINFA'(201510) by HY-2A

—from SWAP platform





Monitoring of Severe Tropical Storm 'LINFA'(201510) by HY-2A Flow field analysis



Monitoring of Severe Tropical Storm 'LINFA'(201510) and Typhoon 'CHAN-HOM'(201509) by ASCAT onboard MetOp from SWAP platform



Continuous monitoring of Typhoon 'Soudelor'(2015 13) by HY-2 October 28~30, 2012, the "Sandy" hurricane swept across the eastern coast of the United States. The HY-2A satellite successfully observed the hurricane and its moving direction on the 27th, which provided an early warning of landing on the 28th. . The HY-2A satellite was the only satellite in the world to obtain information on wind and waves during the hurricane.



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Changes in wind field and wave height during Hurricane Sandy

(Left: wind field from Microwave scatterometer. Right: effective wave height from radar altimeter)



# Joint application of wind field products by multi-sensor

Metop/ASCAT

Metop/ASCAT

HY-2



# Sea surface wind speed product retrieved by FY-3 microwave imager



# Sea surface wind speed product retrieved by FY-3 microwave imager



## Scatterometer / radiometer

	"NEOGURI" 7.7	"RAMMASUN" 7.18	<b>"MATMO" 7.22</b>
ASCAT	25m/s	25m/s	25m/s
FY3-WMRI	45m/s	45m/s	45m/s
Ture	55m/s	52m/s	40m/s



"Neoguri" 7.7

"Rammasun" 7.18

"Matmo" 7.22







## GF-3 typhoon wind field retrieval



 The GF-3 satellite retrieved (24.64N, 140.01E) typhoon wind speed and direction on August 18, 2018 with a resolution of 500 meters and a range of 300x600km; Eye, sea wind, wind direction and spiral Rain belt was shown.

# GF-3 High resolution sea wind product



• On January 12, 2017, the GF-3 captured and retrieved the sea surface wind speed and direction in Dongshan County, Fujian Province, with a resolution of 8 meters and a range of 30\*30km. It can be seen that there are large wind vortexes in the northern sea and low wind speed in the east of the island, high wind speed in open sea. The highresolution sea wind products can contribute offshore meteorological security and marine traffic safety.
## Some problems in sea surface wind analysis

There are still some problems in the ocean surface wind data, mainly:

(1) When the tropical cyclone is strong, there are some deviations in the wind direction and speed. For weaker TC, this deviations are not obvious.

(2) The error will increase when surface wind speed exceeds 30 m/s. The wind speed is much underestimated for strong TC.

## TRMM (Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission)

- US-Japan joint mission to observe tropical precipitation.
- Equipped with the first-ever spaceborne precipitation (PR) at Ku-band to perform 3D precipitation measurements.
- Lanched on Nov. 28 1997 and re-entered the Earth's atmosphere on June 15, 2015, at 11:55 p.m.



US-Japan joint mission

Japan: PR, launch US: satellite, TMI, VIRS, CERES, LIS, operation



#### GPM: Global Precipitation Measurement Mission

#### **Core Observatory:**

Ku/Ka-band Dual-frequency Precipitation Radar (DPR) multi-channel.GPM Microwave Imager (GMI)

Relative to the TRMM precipitation radar, the DPR is more sensitive to light rain rates and snowfall. In addition, simultaneous measurements by the overlapping of Ka/Kubands of the DPR can provide new information on particle drop size distributions over moderate precipitation intensities.



## Instruments of GPM



The first space-borne Ku/Ka-band Dualfrequency Precipitation Radar (DPR)

## Monitoring Typhoon Precipitation

The GPM core observatory satellite passed above the Philippine Sea on Oct. 29, 2018 at 0212 UTC (Oct. 28 at 10:12 p.m. EDT).



Those GPM data revealed that heavy rainfall within the typhoon covered an area the size of Luzon. Extreme precipitation falling at a rate of over 178 mm (7 inches) per hour was also revealed by GPM's radar (DPR Ku Band) within powerful storms in Yutu's southwestern eye wall.

## Monitoring Typhoon Precipitation

Typhoon: JELAWAT on March 28, 2018

Gray: FY4A AGRI T12 Color: GPM gridded product.



## Monitoring Typhoon Precipitation

The GPM core satellite flew over Trami on Sept. 24, 2018, at 8:03 a.m. and found extremely heavy rainfall in the super typhoon's well defined circular eye.

Rain was also falling at a rate of over 120 mm (4.7 inches) per hour within intense storms in a strong feeder band well southwest of Trami's eye.



# An example of observed Ze before the QC procedures and superobbed Ze that passed the QC procedures for KuNS Ze.

Observed Ze before QC procedures and (c),(d) super obbed Ze after QC procedures for KuNS around Typhoon Halong at 1200 UTC 31 Jul 2014.

Observed Ze before QC procedures and (c),(d) super obbed Ze after QC procedures for KuNS around Typhoon Halong at 1200 UTC 31 Jul 2014.



## **GPM 3D Views Powerful Typhoon Yutu**



## **GPM 3D Views Powerful Typhoon Yutu**



### **GPM 3D Views Powerful Typhoon Simon**



## **GPM 3D Views Powerful weather system**





## GPS/BD Radio Occultation Basic measurement principle:

Deduce atmospheric properties based on precise measurement of phase delay and amplitude.



# GPS RO missions

COSMIC (Constellation Observing System for Meteorology, Ionosphere and Climate)

- 6 Satellites launched in April 15
  2006
- Three instruments: GPS receiver, TIP, Tri-band beacon
- Demonstrate quasi-operationa GPS limb sounding with global coverage in near-real time
- Climate Monitoring





## GPS/BD RO missions

FY-3D BDS RO.location(16days)

90<sup>°</sup> N 60<sup>°</sup> N 30<sup>°</sup> N 0<sup>°</sup> 30<sup>°</sup> S 60<sup>°</sup> S 0<sup>°</sup> 60<sup>°</sup> E 120<sup>°</sup> E 180<sup>°</sup> E 120<sup>°</sup> W 60<sup>°</sup> W 0<sup>°</sup>

FY-3D GPS RO.location(16days)



FY-3 C/D



## GPS radio occultation measurements & processing



# GPS RO data used in data assimilation in typhoon prediction



#### 4-Day Ernesto (2006) Forecasts with WRF-ARW

Liu et al. (2012, MWR)





FORECAST RANGE (HOURS)

#### Determining the tropical cyclone center using ocean wind data









## Determining the tropical cyclone center using QuikScat ocean wind data



#### Determination of range of tropical cyclone winds by QuickScat



#### Determination of range of tropical cyclone winds by QuickSCAT



The windy area further expanded on second day.

#### Determination of typhoon intensity of QuikSCAT surface wind



According quickly dissipation of strong convection near the eye wall from the ocean surface wind data, the stage of weakening or denaturation of tropical cyclone was judged.