

H-SAF future developments on Convective Precipitation Retrieval

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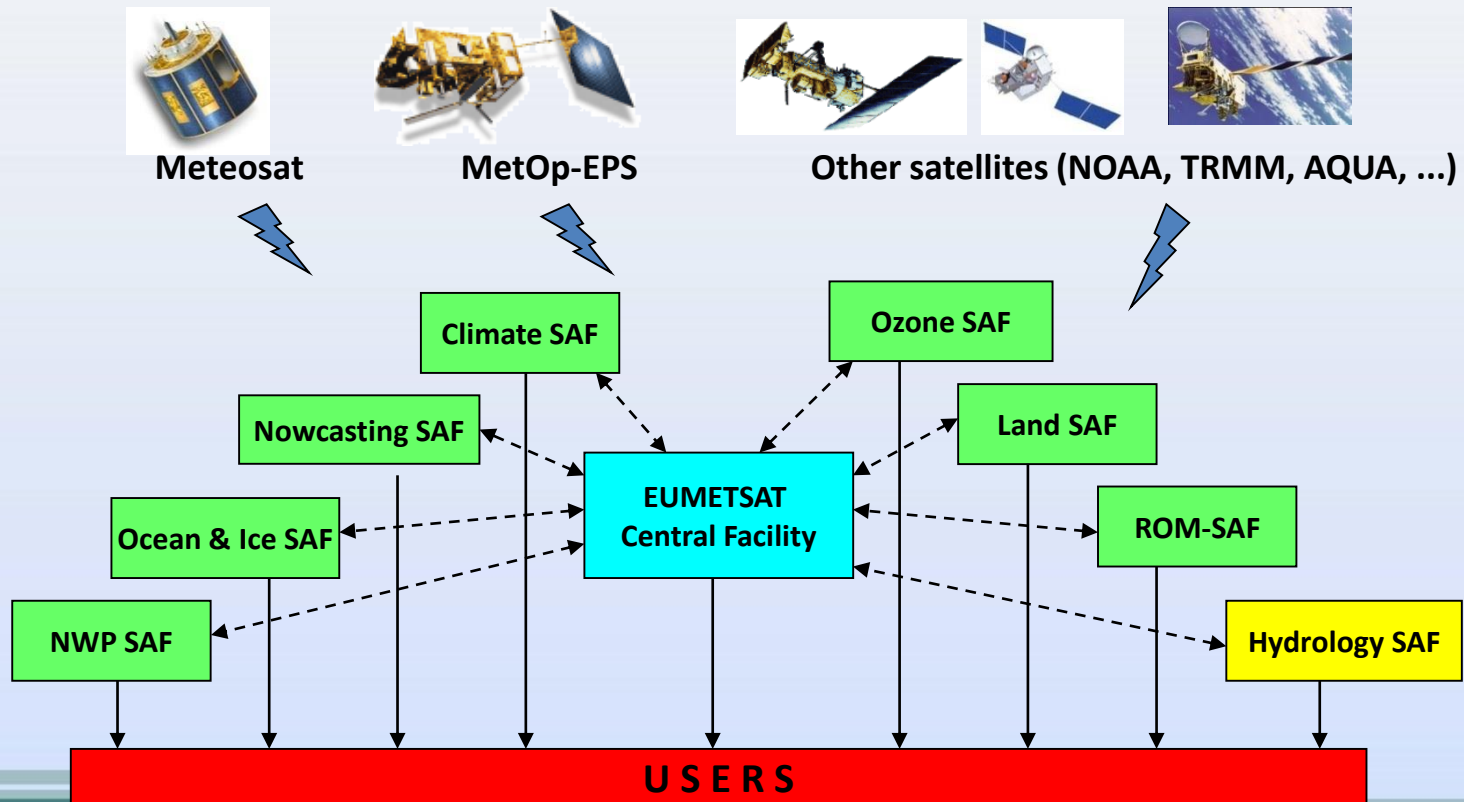


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H-SAF overview

The "EUMETSAT Satellite Application Facility on Support to Operational Hydrology and Water Management (H-SAF)" was established by the EUMETSAT Council on 3 July 2005, and kicked-off on 16 September 2005, as part of the [EUMETSAT SAF Network](#).



H-SAF objectives

- ❖ to provide satellite-derived products from existing and future satellites with sufficient time and space resolution to satisfy the needs of operational hydrology; identified products:
 - ✓ precipitation (liquid, solid, rate, accumulated);
 - ✓ soil moisture (at large-scale, at local-scale, at surface, in the roots region);
 - ✓ snow parameters (detection, cover, melting conditions, water equivalent);

- ❖ to perform independent validation of the usefulness of the new products for fighting against floods, landslides, avalanches, and evaluating water resources; the activity includes:
 - ✓ downscaling/upscaling modelling from observed/retrieved fields to basin level;
 - ✓ fusion of satellite-derived measurements with data from radar and rain gauge networks;
 - ✓ assimilation of satellite-derived products in hydrological models;
 - ✓ assessment of the impact of the new satellite-derived products on hydrological applications.

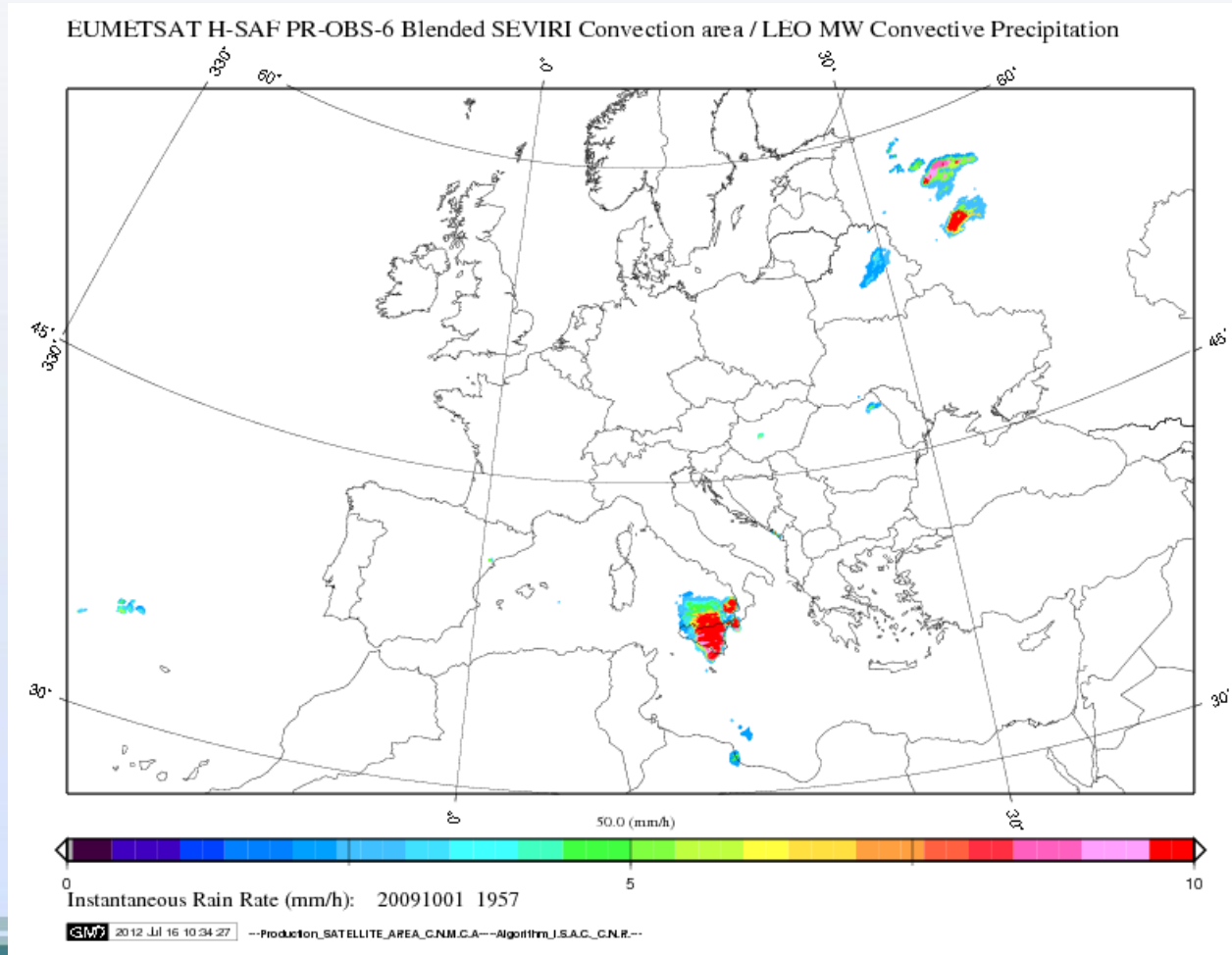
H-SAF Precipitation Products

Product identifier	Product acronym	Product name
H-01	PR-OBS-1	Precipitation rate at ground from MW conically-scanning radiometers (SSM/I, SSMIS) on LEO satellites
H-02	PR-OBS-2	Precipitation rate at ground by MW cross-track scanning radiometers (AMSU -MHS) on LEO satellites
H-03	PR-OBS-3	Precipitation rate at ground by GEO/IR supported by LEO/MW (Rapid Update)
H-04	PR-OBS-4	Precipitation rate at ground by LEO/MW supported by GEO/IR (CMORPH)
H-05	PR-OBS-5	Accumulated precipitation at ground by blended MW+IR
H-15	PR-OBS-6	Blended SEVIRI Convection area/ LEO MW Convective Precipitation (NEW)

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H15 Algorithm

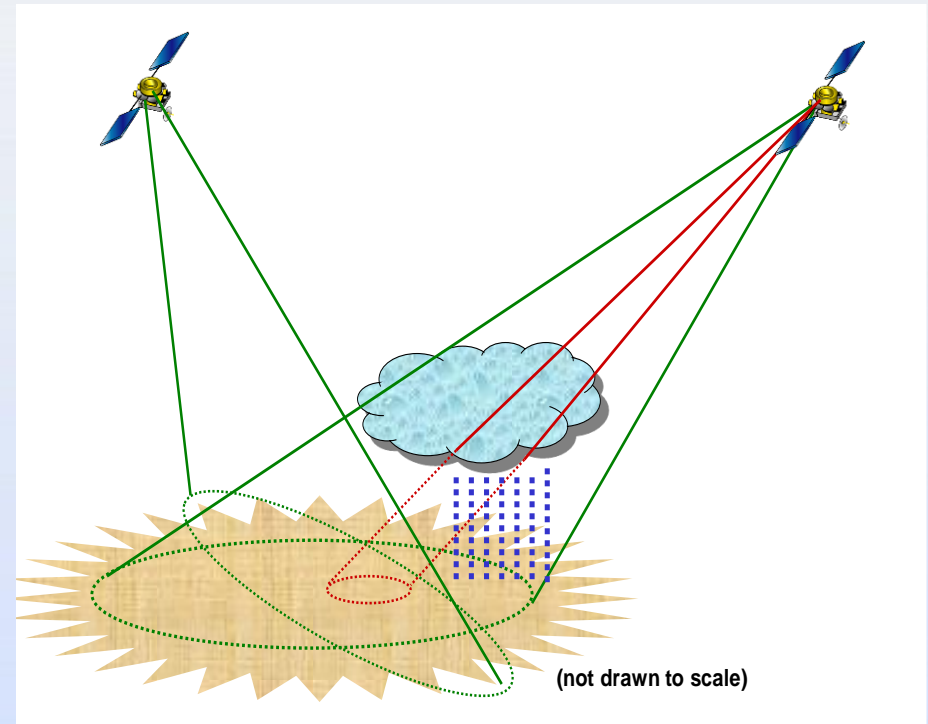
BLENDING Technique + NEFODINA



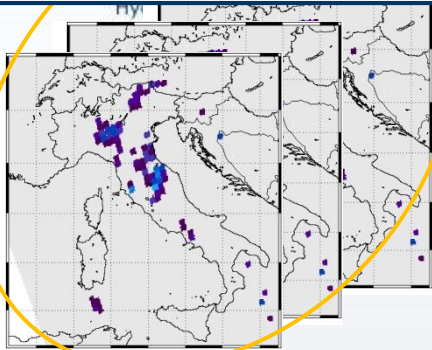
BLENDING Technique

Multi-platform algorithm allows to compute **instantaneous rain intensities at the ground at the geostationary time-space scale** (Turk et al. 2000, Torricella et al. 2007).

The **technique correlates, by means of the *statistical probability matching***, brightness temperatures measured by the IR geostationary sensors and PMW-estimated precipitation rates at the ground.

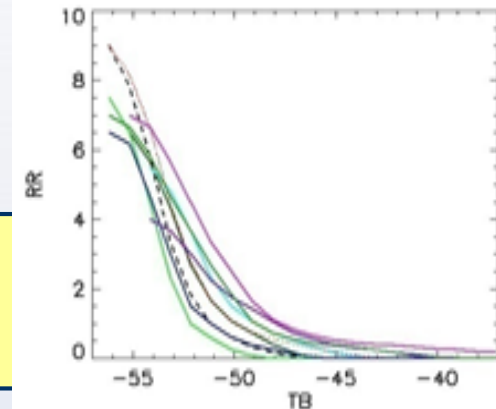


Rain intensity maps from PMW data

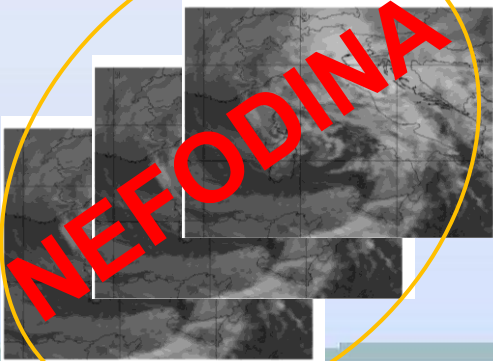


Extract space and time coincident locations from IR and MW data

Create dynamical geolocated statistical relationships $RR-T_b$

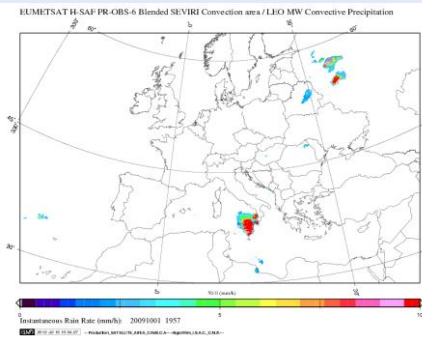


MSG- SEVIRI IR brightness temperatures at 10.8 μm



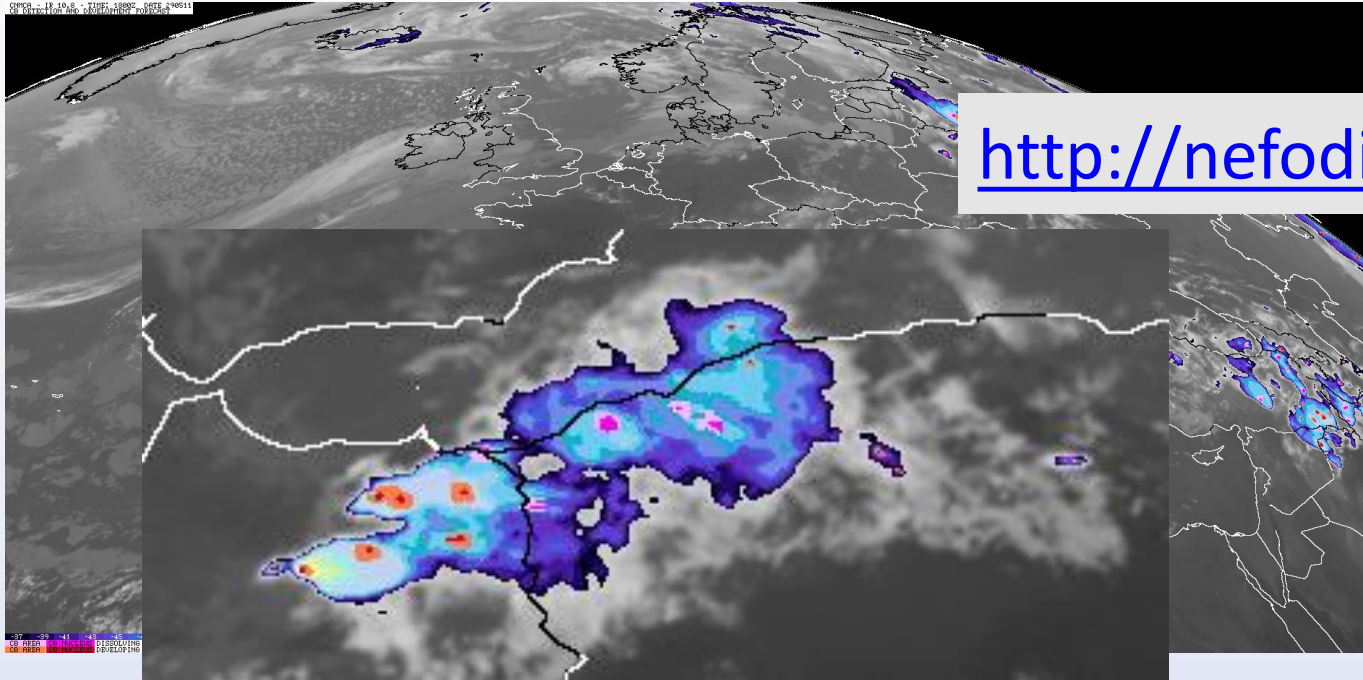
Assign RR at every IR pixel

Produce instantaneous rain intensity maps at the geostationary time/space resolution



The process is restarted for each IR slot

NEFODINA software

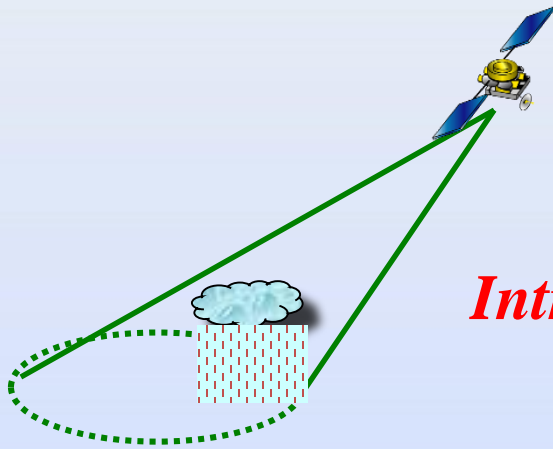
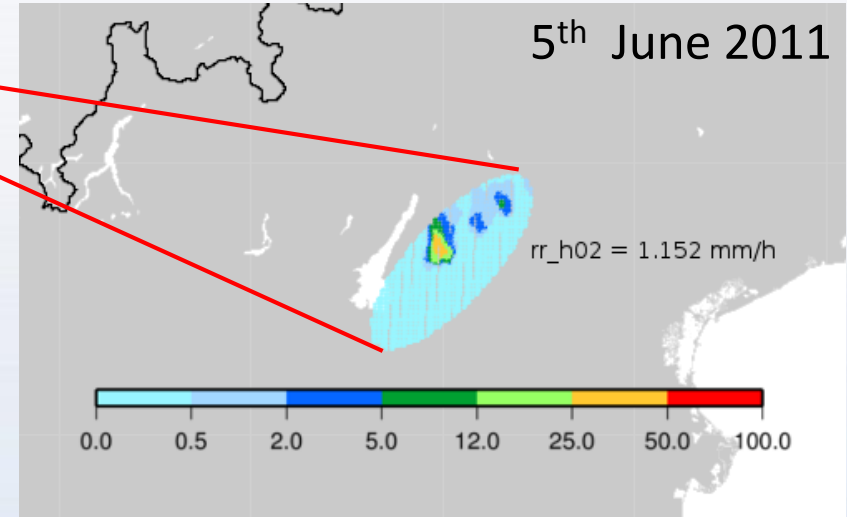
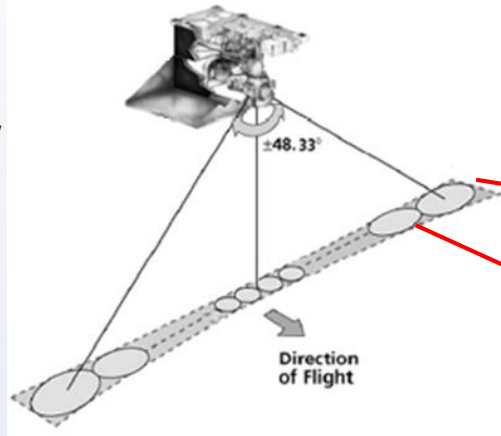


- With **red shades** are indicated the cloud top of the detected convective cell in growing phase
- With **pink shades** are indicated the cloud top of the detected convective cell in decreasing phase.

The Satellite “Beam filling” Problem

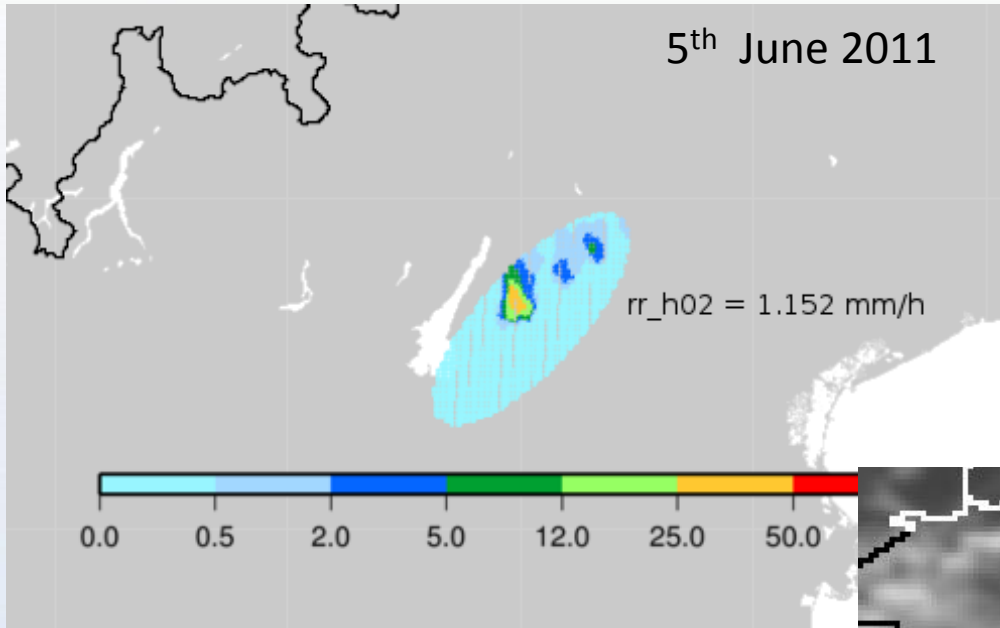
Comparison between precipitation retrieval by microwave sensor on polar satellite (AMSU) and radar.

AMSU-A scan geometry

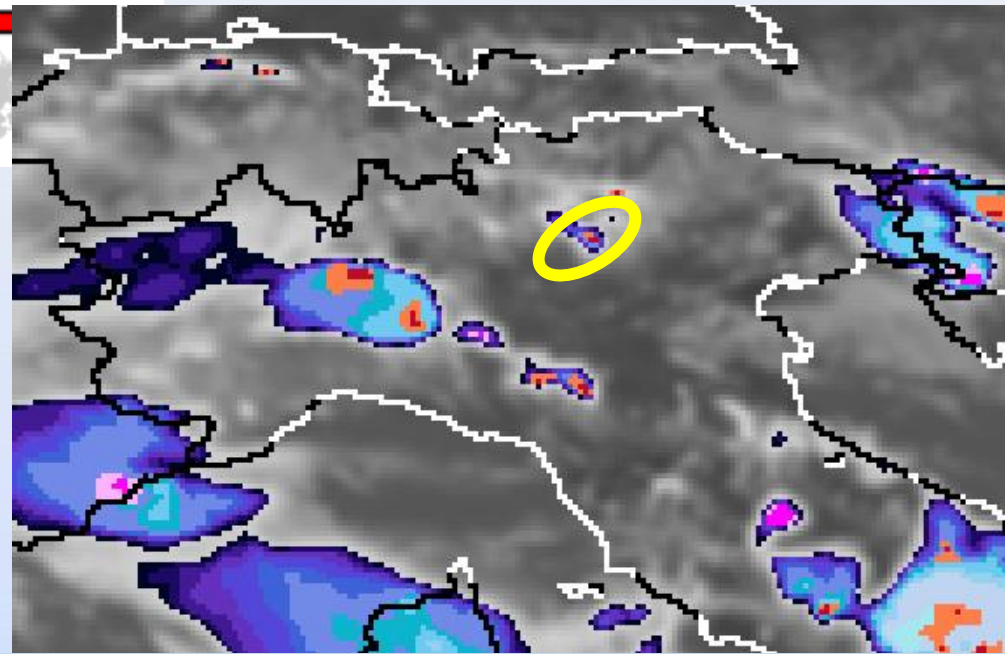


Intrinsic Underestimation

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Rain redistribution based on
convective cell's area



Case study: 1st October 2009





Accumulated precipitation in the previous 3 hours: 20091001 2100



CDOP2 – Next steps


- March 2015: ORR1 Part 5 to be declared Operational

 	<p>CDOP-2 Project Plan (Annex I)</p>	<p>Doc. No: SAF/HSAF/CDOP2/PP/1.0 Issue: Version 1.0 Date: 11/12/2012 Page: 7/48</p>
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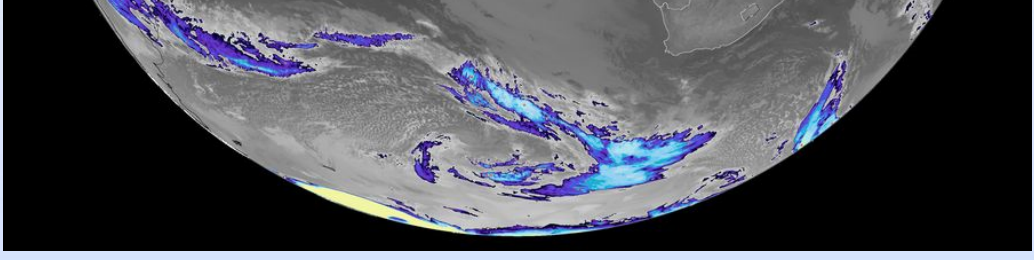
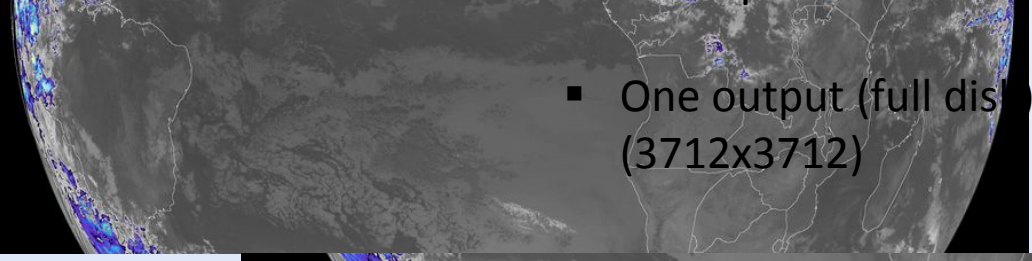
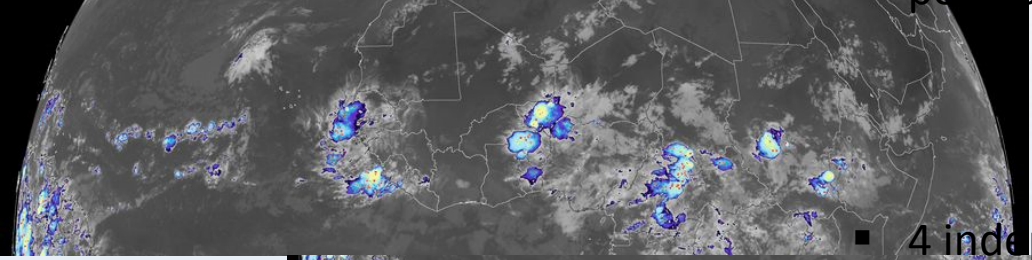
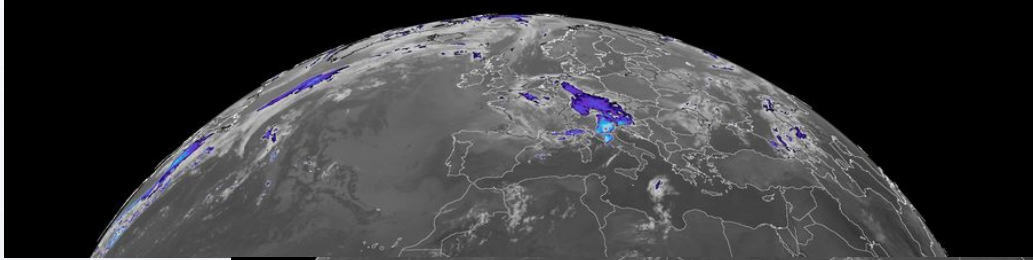
Objectives and tasks:

Development of H15B precipitation product, performing the enlargement of H15A product from H-SAF area to full disc.

H15 developments

- ❑ Software  Full Disk
- ❑ Algorithm
- ❑ Inputs
- ❑ Convection Mask

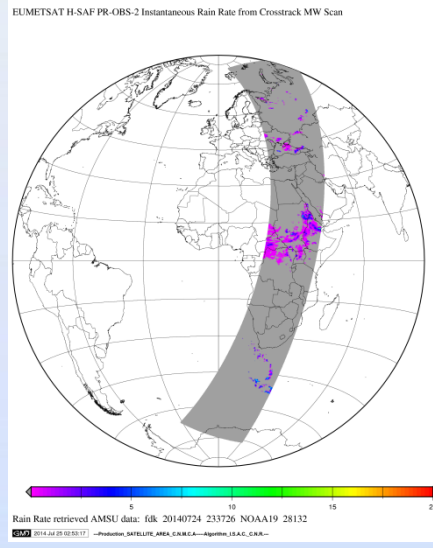
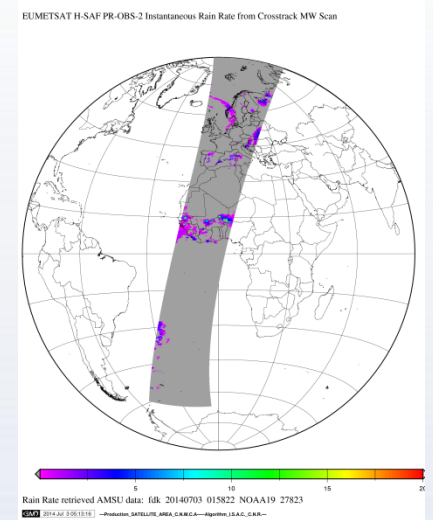
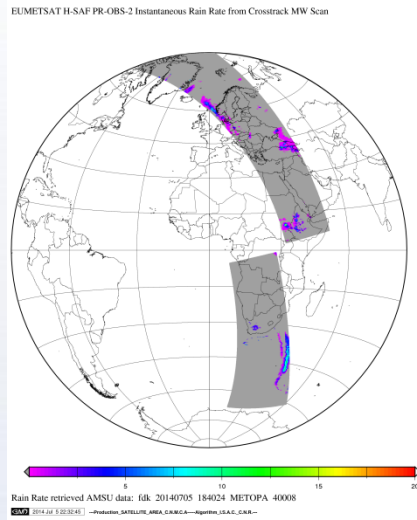
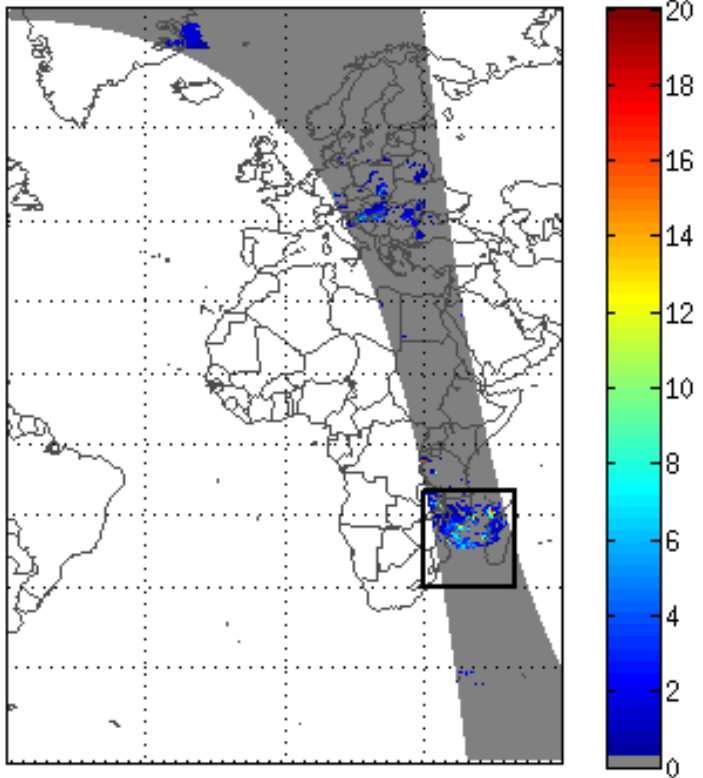
H15 – Full disk



- High geographic scalability
- Easily configurable: scene size, position, threshold, colors
- 4 independent runs
- One output (full disk) in SEVIRI grid (3712x3712)

H15 – Full disk

H01 full Disk 20-Jan-2012 15:21:57



H15 developments

- Software

- Algorithm



Calibration Campaign

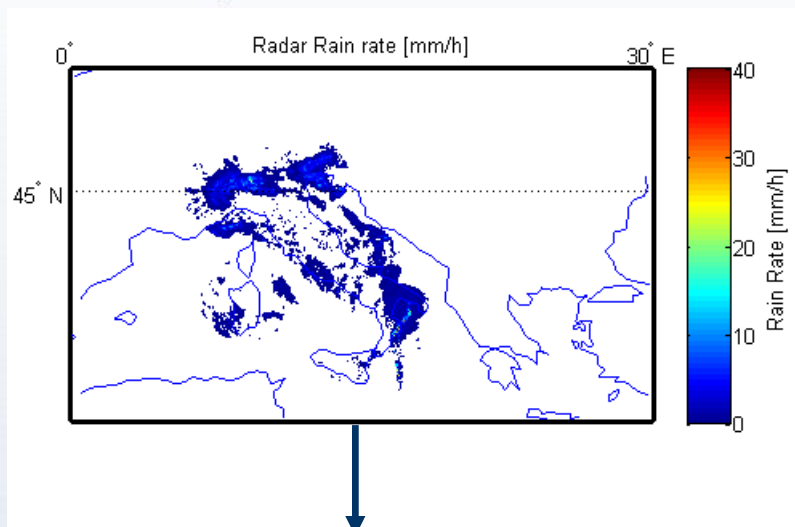
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- Inputs

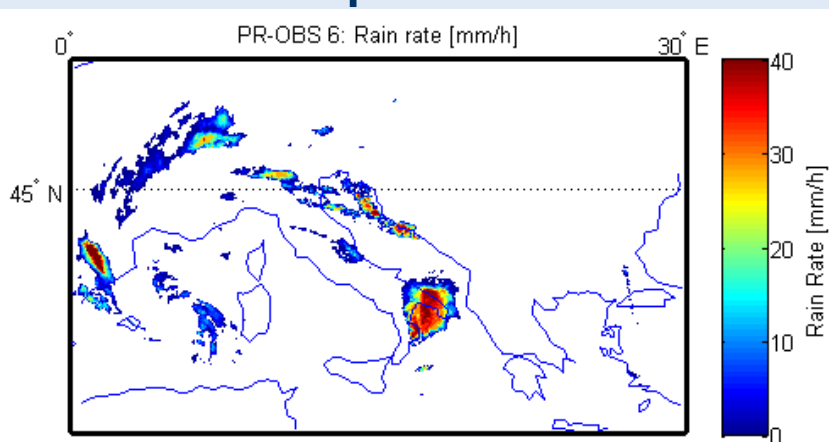
- Convection Mask

Simulated Annealing Approach

- *Regularization algorithm to find a functional*
- *Minimization is based on cost functions F considering rain rates [R.R.] (radar)*
- *Different F definitions have been tested*



Cost function based on Rain Rate:
 $F = \text{RMSE}(\text{Radar}; \text{H15}^*)$



Training Set

2013-05-03
2013-06-24
2013-06-25
2013-11-18
2013-11-19

Validation Set(*)

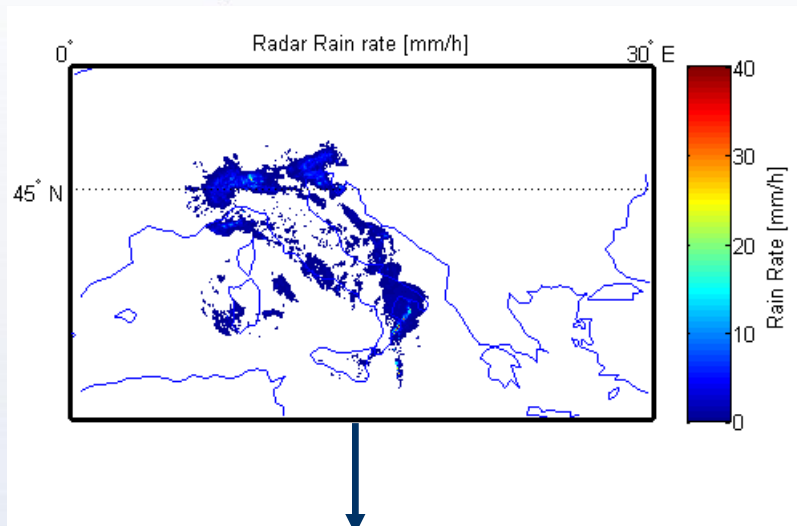
2013-12
2013-01
2013-02

Test Set

2013-11-19

() full month considered*

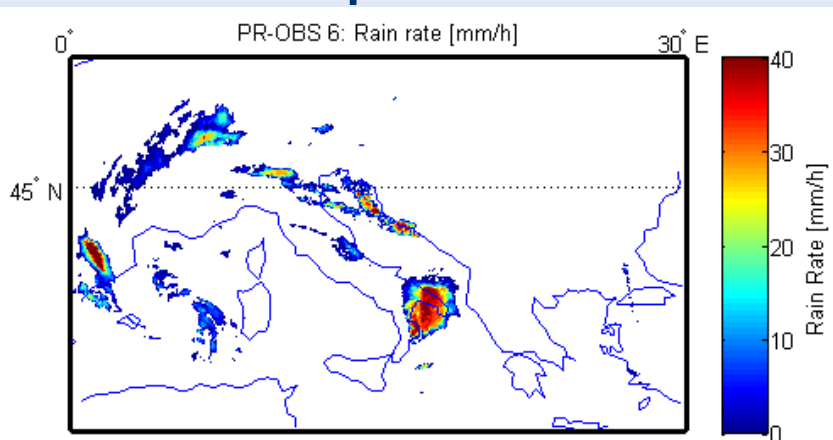
H15 calibration

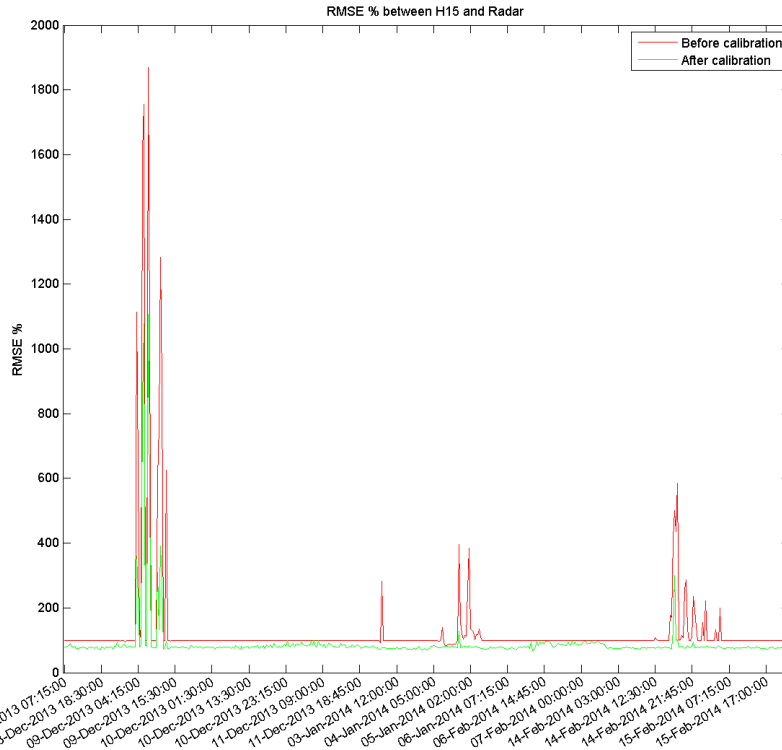


Best performance with exponential correction

Cost function based on Rain Rate:
 $F = \text{RMSE}(\text{Radar}; H15^*)$

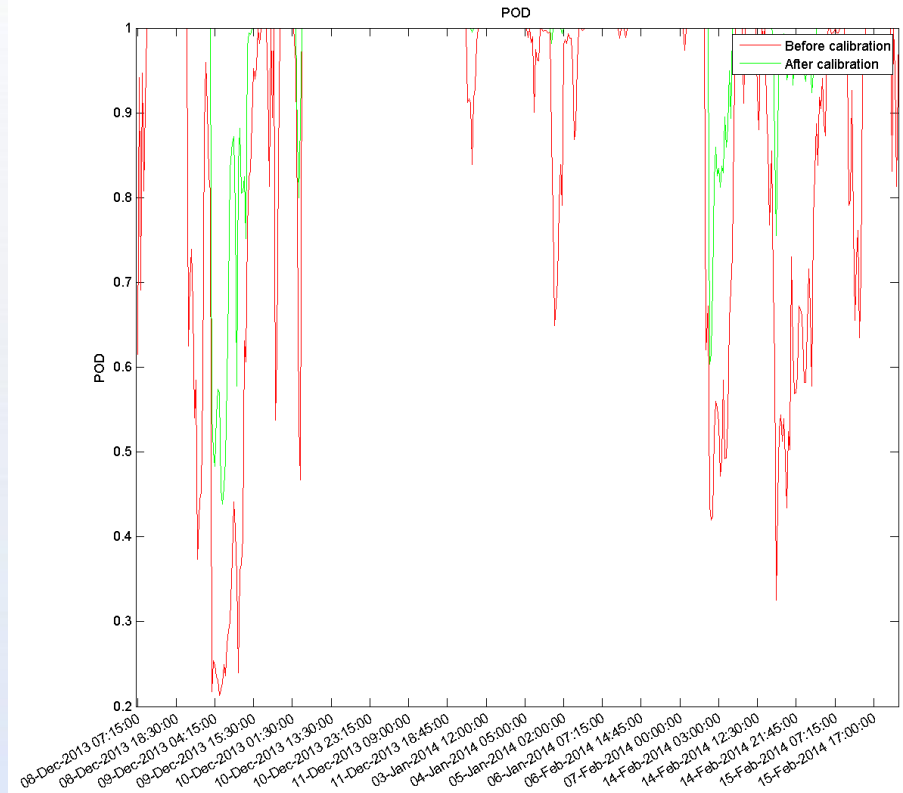
$$H15^* = e^{(H15 \cdot m + q)}$$





$$RMSE \% = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{(sat_k - true_k)^2}{true_k^2}} \cdot 100$$

Range: 0 to ∞ . Perfect score: 0



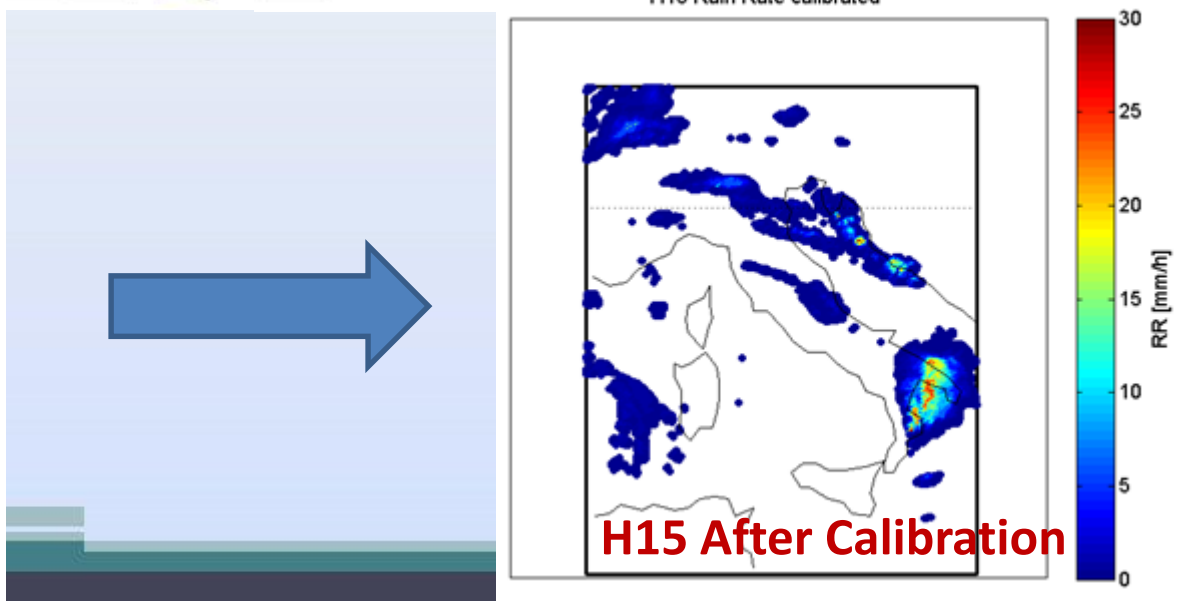
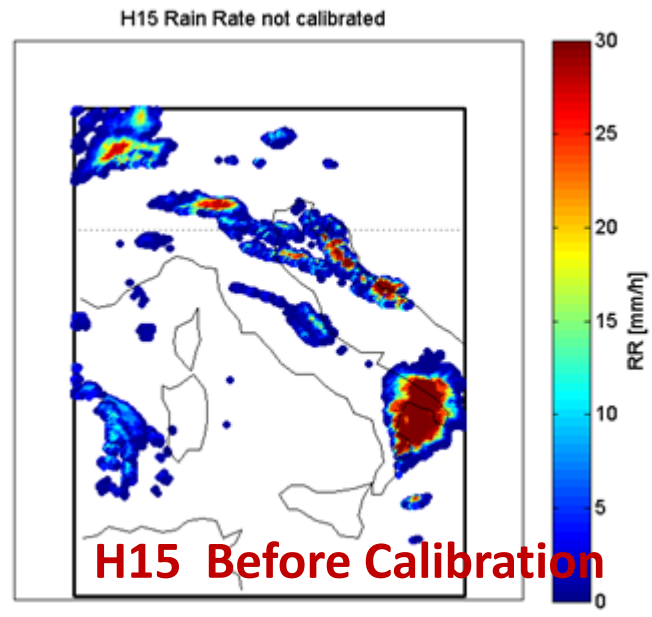
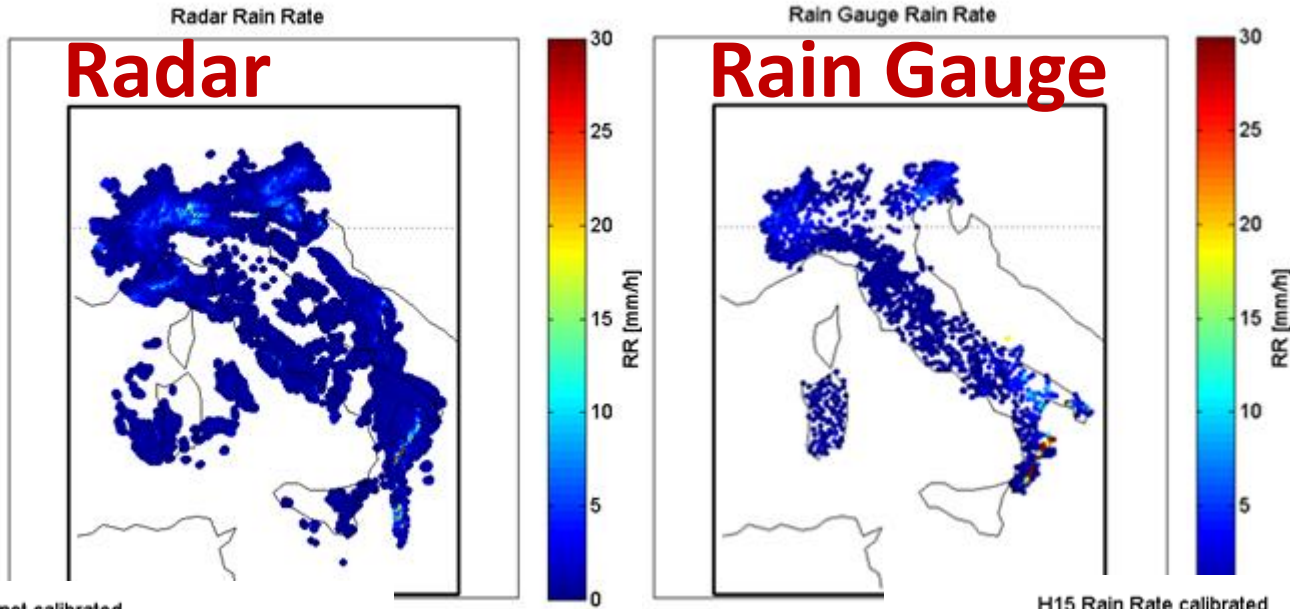
$$POD = \frac{\text{hits}}{\text{hits} + \text{misses}} - \frac{\text{hits}}{\text{observed yes}}$$

Range: 0 to 1. Perfect score: 1

hit: event observed from satellite and also observed from ground.

miss: event not observed from satellite but observed from ground.

Observed yes: total of correctly observed event from satellite.



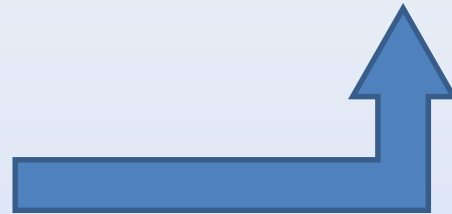
H15 developments

The reliability of these products strongly depends on three factors:

- 1) accuracy of the PMW precipitation retrievals;
- 2) temporal frequency of PMW observations
- 3) consistency among the precipitation estimates obtained from the different PMW sensors.

❑ **Algorithm**

❑ **Inputs**



❑ **Convection Mask**

New inputs



Suomi NPP ATMS - We propose to develop a new **H18** product for the cross-scanning radiometer Advance Technology Microwave Sounder (ATMS) on board the NASA/NOAA Suomi NPP satellite. The product will be based on the Neural Network approach used for H02B product.

New inputs

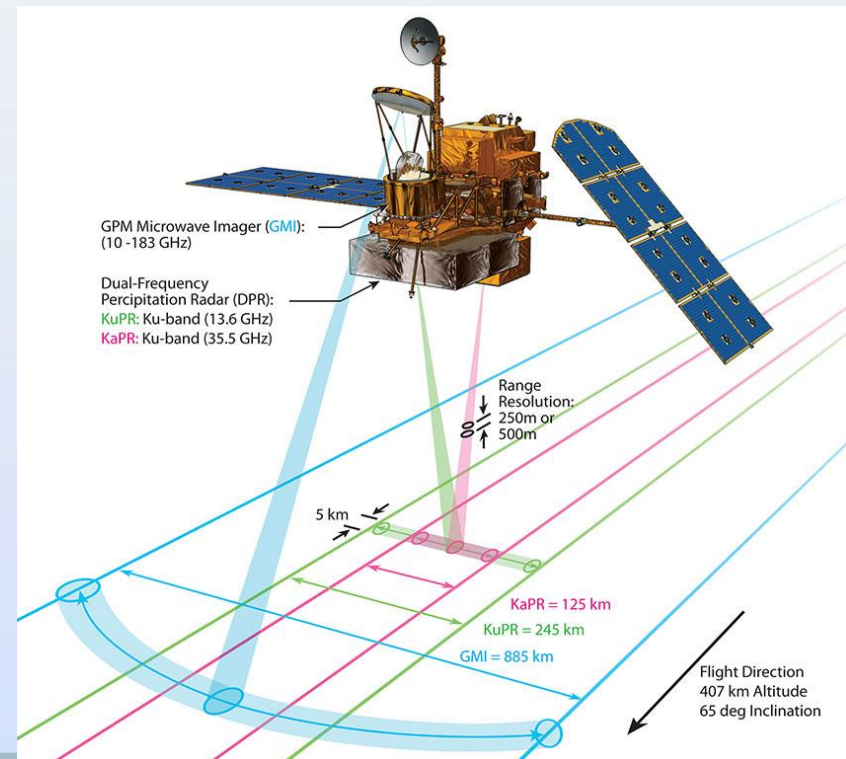


G-COMW1 AMSR-2 - We propose to develop a new **H17** product for the conical scanning radiometer AMSR-2. The algorithm will be based on the Bayesian technique (PR-OBS-1) and on the use of the Cloud Dynamical Radiation Database (CDRD) used for H01, but adapted to the AMSR-2 radiometer characteristics (i.e., channel frequencies and polarization, viewing geometry, horizontal resolution, etc.). The product delivery is subject to the availability of AMSR-2 data in near-real time via Eumetcast.

New inputs

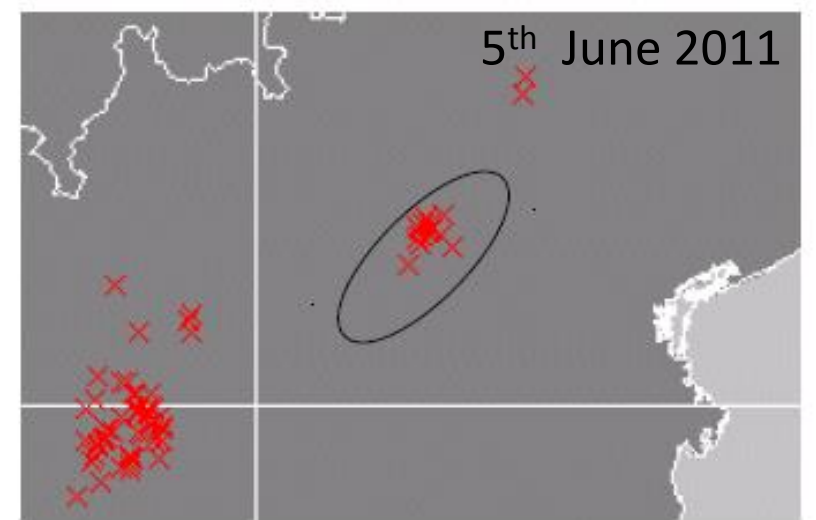
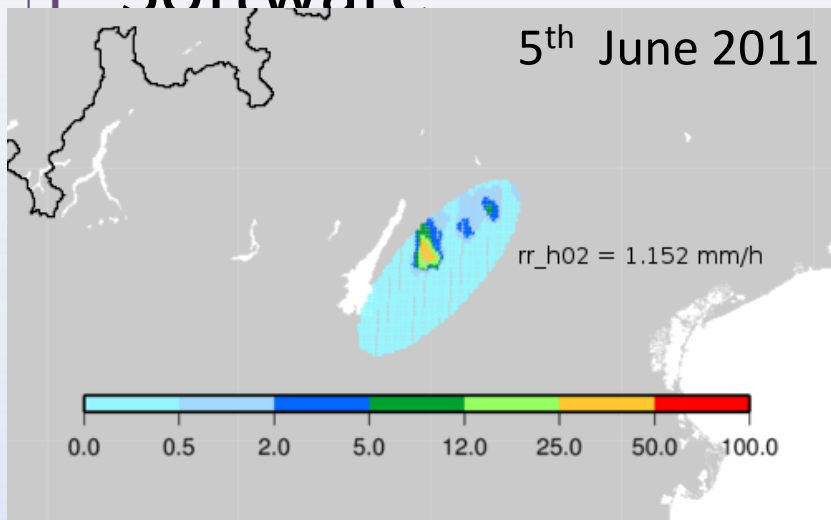
GMI - Two products (H19 and H20) had been already planned in the CDOP-2 proposal for the **GPM Microwave Imager**. However, due to the delay of the launch date (February 27, 2014) we propose a redefinition of the two products:

- ✓ H19: product for the MSG full disk area based on the a Neural Network approach and on the use of a cloud-radiation model database (as in H01), with the additional input provided by the DPR;
- ✓ H20: global product based on a Neural Network approach (as in H02), and on the use of an observational datasets built from DPR retrievals and GMI brightness temperatures coincidences.



H15 developments

Software



Inputs

Convection Mask

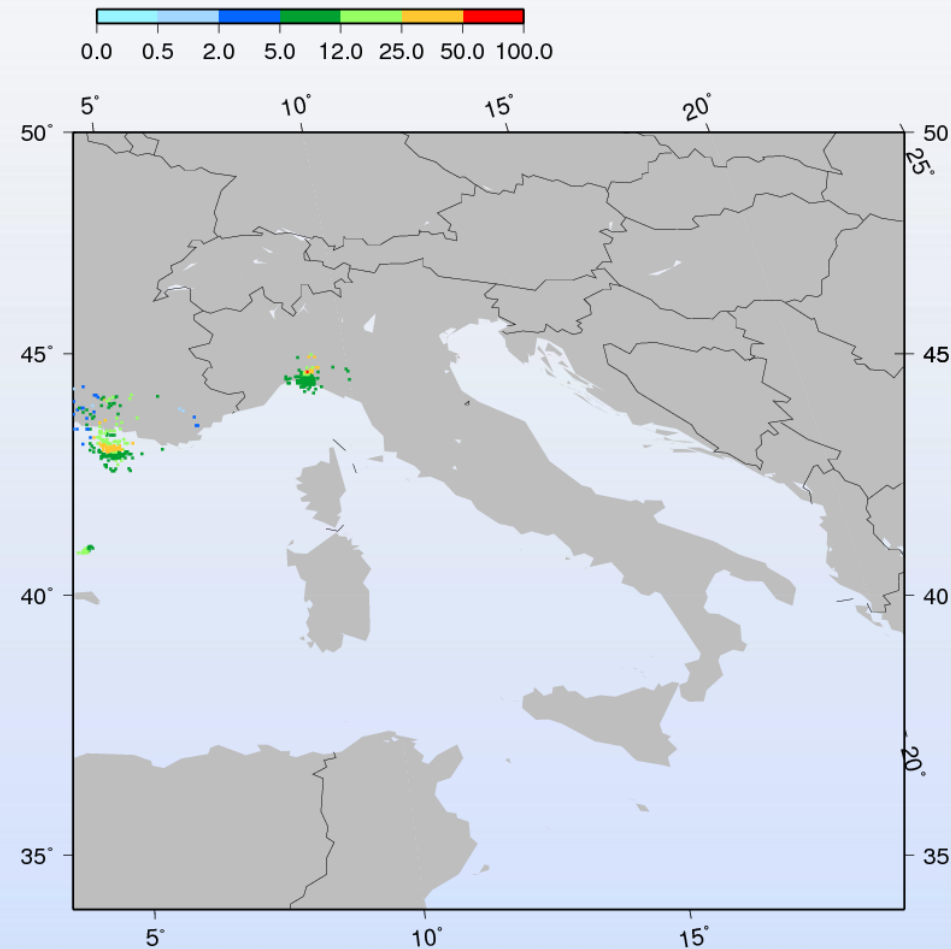


Rainfall Estimation from Lightning And Seviri data

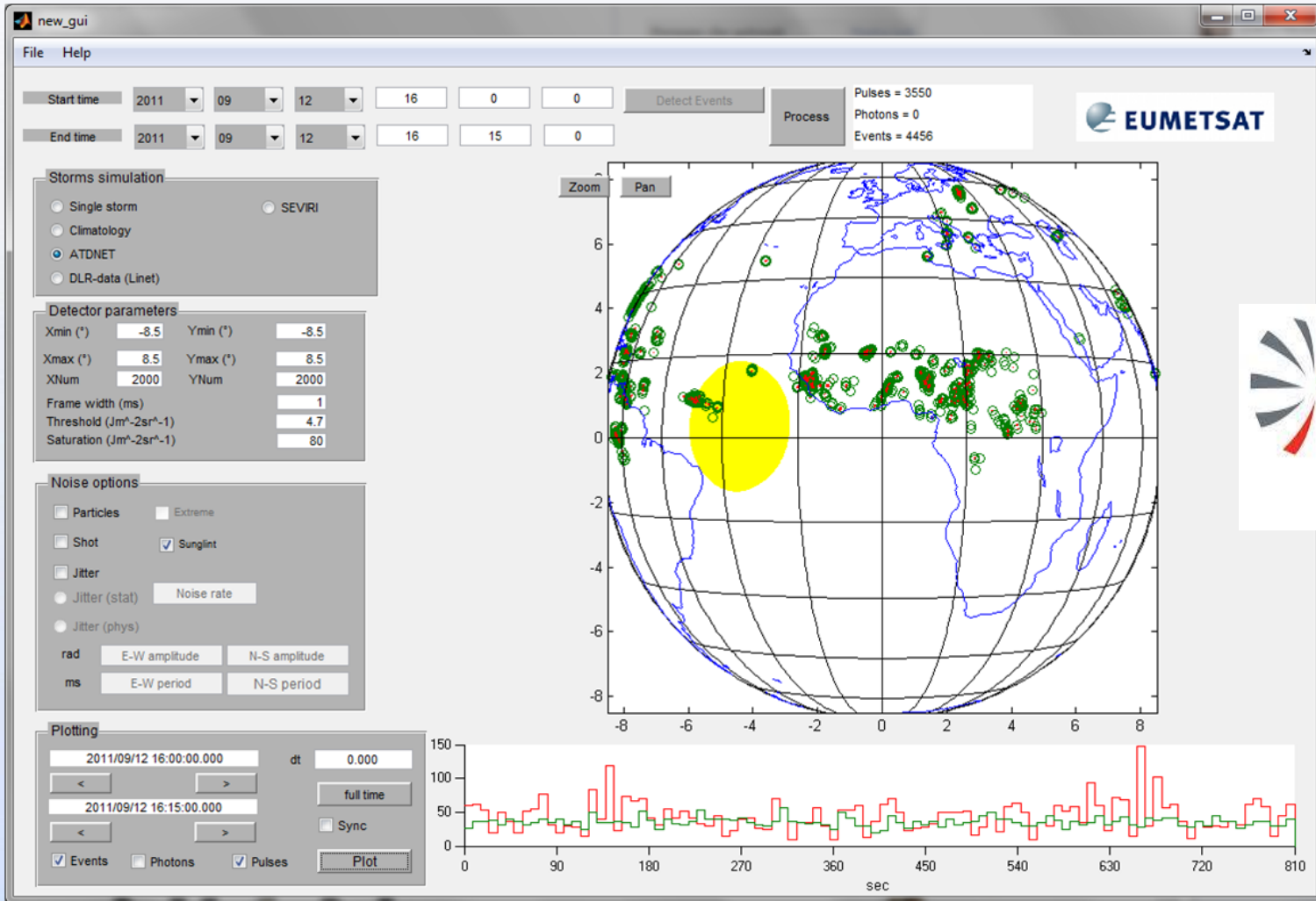
A rainfall retrieval technique that uses geostationary satellite Infrared (IR) observations and lightning information retrieved from LAMPINET (lightning network of the Italian Air Force Meteorological Service)

A quantitative relationship for rainfall estimation using lightning and Seviri data has been developed using a bivariate linear regression for the cluster's rain volume :

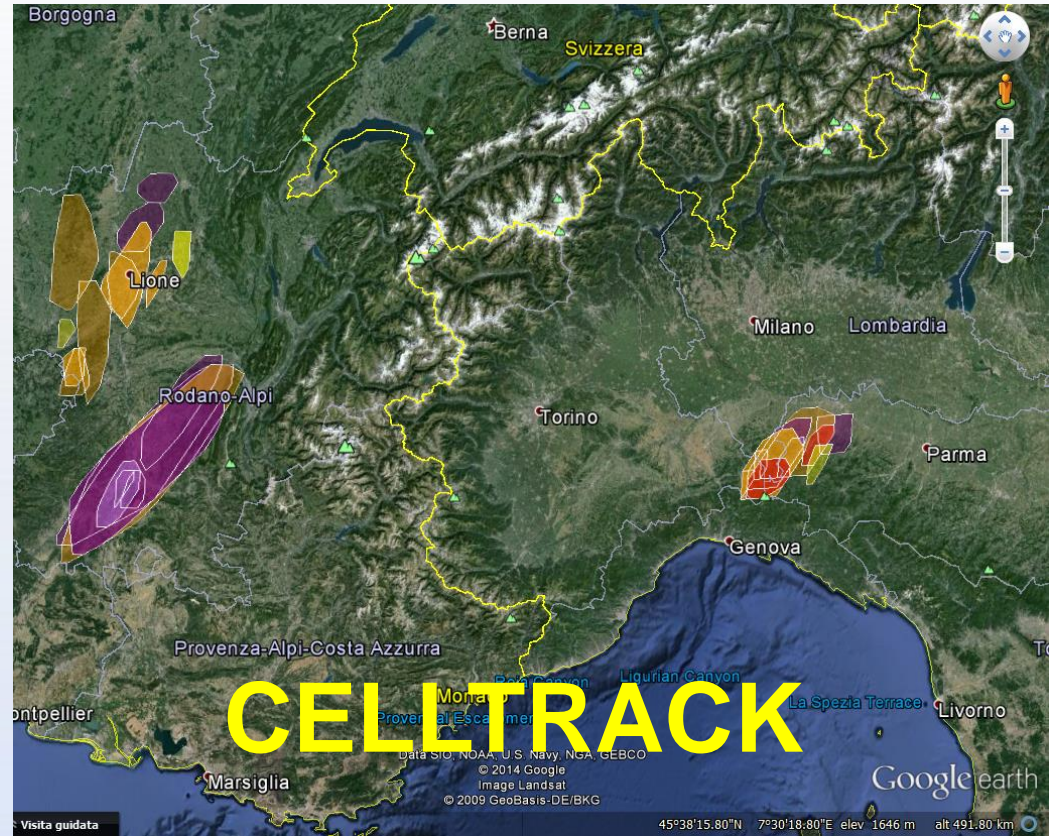
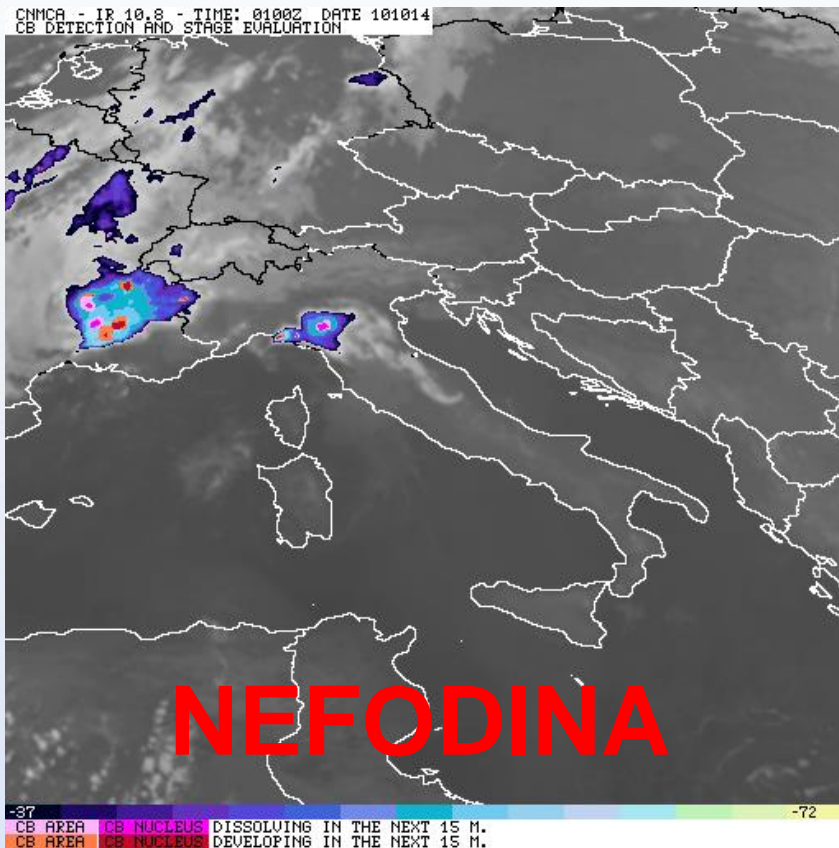
$$RR = (b_0 + b_1S/N + b_2T)N$$



MTG-LI simulator

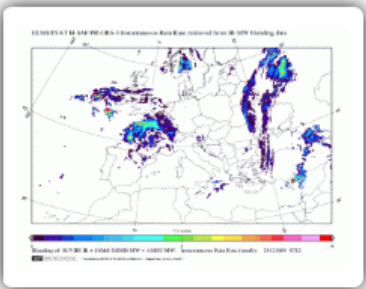


Convection Mask



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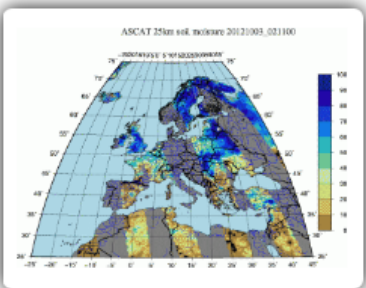


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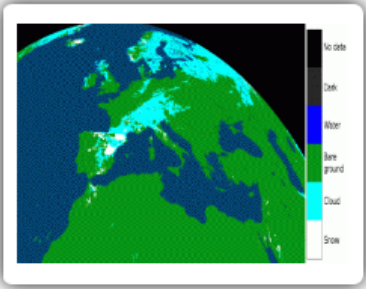
SOIL MOISTURE



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SM OBS 1 Large scale surface soil moisture by radar scatterometer development	SM OBS 2 Small scale surface soil moisture by radar scatterometer pre-operational	SM ASS 1 Volumetric soil moisture (roots region) by scatterometer assimilation in NWP model development	SM DAS 2 Profile Index in the roots region by scatterometer data assimilation development
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SNOW



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SN OBS 1 Snow detection (snow mask) by VIS/IR radiometry operational	SN OBS 2 Snow status (dry/wet) by MW radiometry development	SN OBS 3 Effective snow cover by VIS/IR radiometry development	SN OBS 4 Snow water equivalent by MW radiometry development
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