Status of development of satellite application software for FCI and LI at SHMU in context of monitoring severe storms - Application demo

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Abstract

EUMETSAT provided first FCI and LI test data in 2020 and newer sets in 2021. This was good opportunity for those responsible for setup of operational chains, which will generate real-time output products to users. Traditionally, the approach at SHMI is to develop own software as it was in case of previous satellite missions and re-use the experience and functional modules that already exist and work on the same principle as in the past.

In the case of satellite storm monitoring, we have many years of experience that are worth continuing, and this experience is stored in existing software tools that only need to be adapted. For new LI data, there is a set of projection functions inside MTGProc, which we are using to localise and draw LI data to the background maps. This can be simply a clear map or satellite images/RGB products.

Currently active tools at SHMI to monitor severe storms we have developed for MSG data. In the frame of adaptation these tools, we are in progress with preparation of MTGProc version of processing software for FCI (and ABI) instrument. We are in progress of adaption auxiliary tools like ViewMSG (->ViewGEO), TRACK and AMV software, 3D-compositions, installation latest NWCSAF software and adapt our web-map based applications for combined display of all remote sensing data together (radars, ground lightning detection networks, satellite RGBs, Nowcasting products, etc.).

About this software

This software is successor of previously developed MSGProc for processing of image data from Meteosat Second Generation. MTGProc cannot be considered as new version, as this new software is not devoted to process and visualize MSG SEVIRI data, but rather new FCI MTG and in addition to process ABI GOES data.

Set of standard RGB products in pre-defined cartographic projections is generated in <u>effective fast-speed manner</u>, without special requirements on third party software prerequisites. Only HDF5/NetCDF/FCI-decompression software is required to read input satellite image data delivered in NetCDF format. Please note that in case of necessity you can contact EUMETSAT Helpdesk to consult problems with installation of this software. The responsibility of this document is only to take care of MTGProc installation, configuration and usage.

Instructions how to install MTGProc software and manual for usage is also provided in the MTGProc package delivery.

Two different ways of parallelization to speed-up calculations and make shorter processing time:

1. In Windows and in Linux using PTHREAD library in C-language for -

Parallelization of calculation loops in processes Sun height calculations Reflectivity of 3.8µm channel Creation of RGB bitmap files

2. In Linux only using parallel C-shell running of commands with WAIT statement for -

Parallel image compositor Parallel image projector

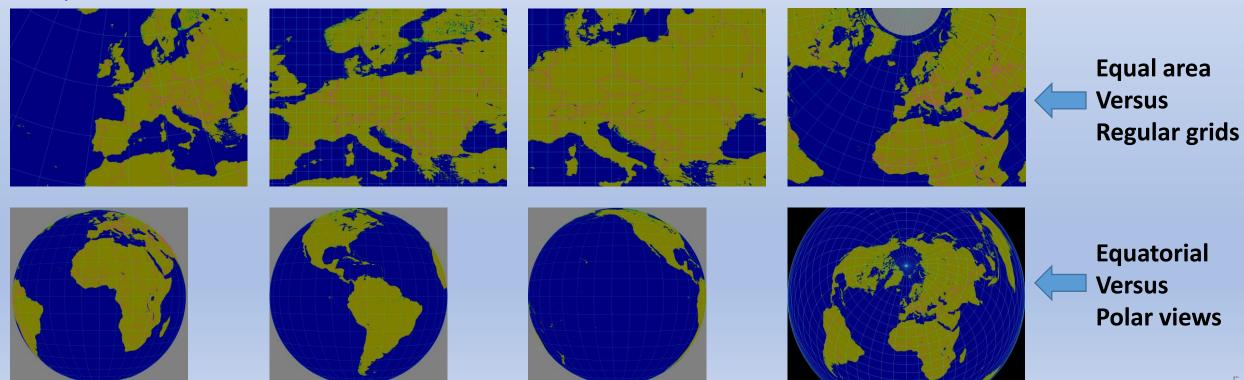
a) More domains can be generated in parallel using only one software installation.b) Common format of domain definitions for both MTG/FCI and GOES/ABI instruments

These features were missing in old MSGProc, where for each domain it was necessary to make new installation of the software or run the processing repeatedly for different domains.

Definition of domain:

Instruments:ABI; FCIProjections:Albers; Regular la, fi; Mercator, Geo-View, LambertInput image size:5424x5424, 5568x5568, 11136x11136, 22272x22272 or sub regions - newSub regions offsets: optionaloptionalCentral position:optionalDomain size:optional (previously 2000x1500 or 4000x3000)Lat/lon grid:optional

Examples of domains:



Domain definitions examples

GeoView for **FCI**

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| Scale factor | N: | 0.0000 | |
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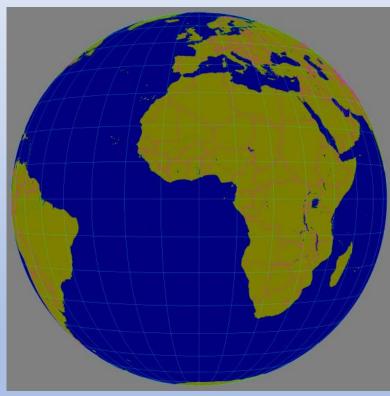
GeoView for ABI

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Another domain definitions examples

GeoView for FCI



Albers for FCI



GeoView for ABI



RGB definitions examples

Airmass

24h Microphysics

Daily Cloud Phase Distinction

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RGB definitions list

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| ConvectiveStorms | DailyCloudPhaseDistinction | DailyCloudPhaseDistinction |
| DailyCloudPhaseDistinction | DayMicrophysical | DayMicrophysical |
| DayMicrophysical | DaySolar | DaySolar |
| DaySolar | Dust | Dust |
| Dust | FireTemperature | FireTemperature |
| IR_105 | NaturalColors | NaturalColors |
| IR_123 | NaturalColorsWhite | NaturalColorsWhite |
| IR_123-IR_105 | NaturalTrueColors | NaturalTrueColors |
| IR-WV | Night | Night |
| NaturalColors | NightLowClouds | NightLowClouds |
| NaturalColorsWhite | NightMicrophysical | NightMicrophysical |
| Night | VIS-IR | VIS-IR |
| NightLowClouds | VolcanicAsh | VolcanicAsh |
| NightMicrophysical | | |
| SunHeight | | |
| TrueColors | | |
| VIS-IR | | |
| VolcanicAsh | | |

RGB definitions – adding new RGB - Example, how to do it:

1. Create new definition rgb file copying existing: ./config/rgb> cp MTG_rgb_configuration-WV6.3-enhanced.dat MTG_rgb_configuration-WV6.3-bw.dat

2. Edit ./config/rgb/MTG rgb configuration-WV6.3-bw.dat according your needs

3. Edit ./MTG LIST channels.sh As an example, see parts denoted by comment: # 11.5.2022 add new RGB Note that there is more lines modified!

4. Edit ./MTG LIST rgb generator.sh Also, see comments in this file: # 11.5.2022 add new RGB Note that there is more lines modified!

5. Edit ./GEO 000 MTG list_domain-rgb.sh Also, see comments in this file: # 11.5.2022 add new RGB Note that there is more lines modified!

6. Run script ./GEO 000 MTG list domain-rgb.sh Output you will see on the screen:

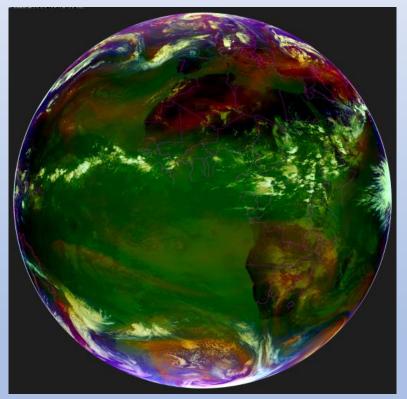
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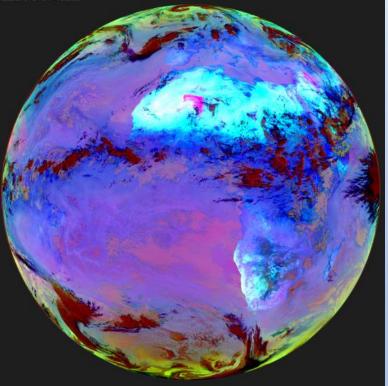
And also in file ./config/runtime/GEO MTG list domain-rgb.dat

RGB examples

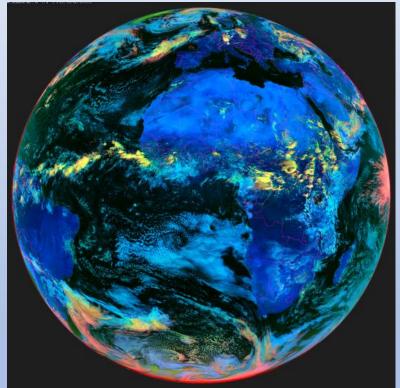
Airmass



24h Microphysics



Daily Cloud Phase Distinction

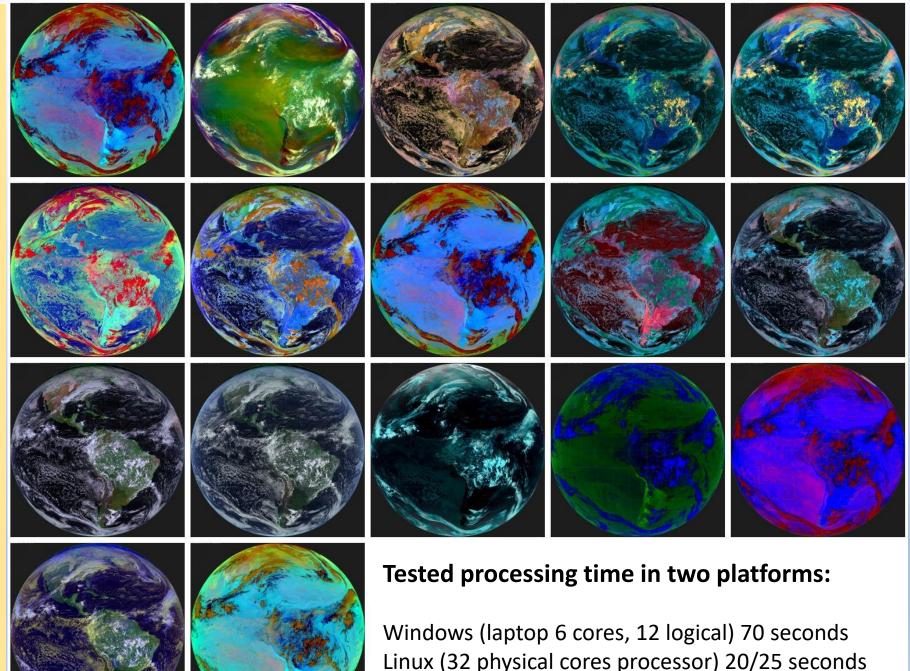


MTGProc/GEOProc C/C-shell software:

GOES-16 Full disk RGB set of products available in latest software version:

G16_202112181700_d312_24hMicrophiscs.jpg G16_202112181700_d312_Airmass.jpg G16_202112181700_d312_Cloud_Phase.jpg G16_202112181700_d312_Cloud_Types.jpg G16_202112181700_d312_Daily_Cloud_Phase_Distin ction.jpg G16_202112181700_d312_Day_Microphysical_ing

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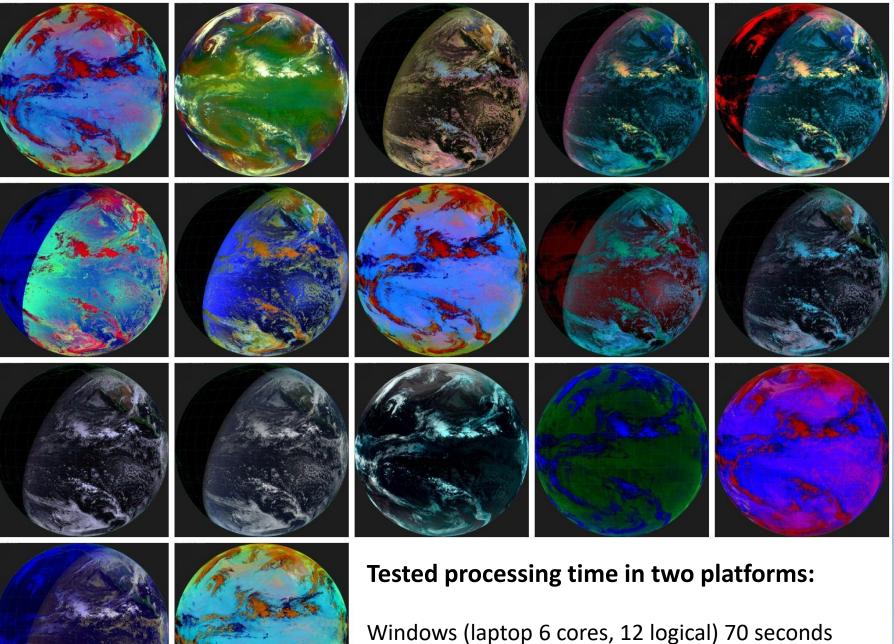


MTGProc/GEOProc C/C-shell software:

GOES-17 Full disk RGB set of products available in latest software version:

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Windows (laptop 6 cores, 12 logical) 70 seconds Linux (32 physical cores processor) 20/25 seconds

MTGProc/GEOProc C/C-shell software:

MTG-test data Full disk RGB set of products available in latest software version:

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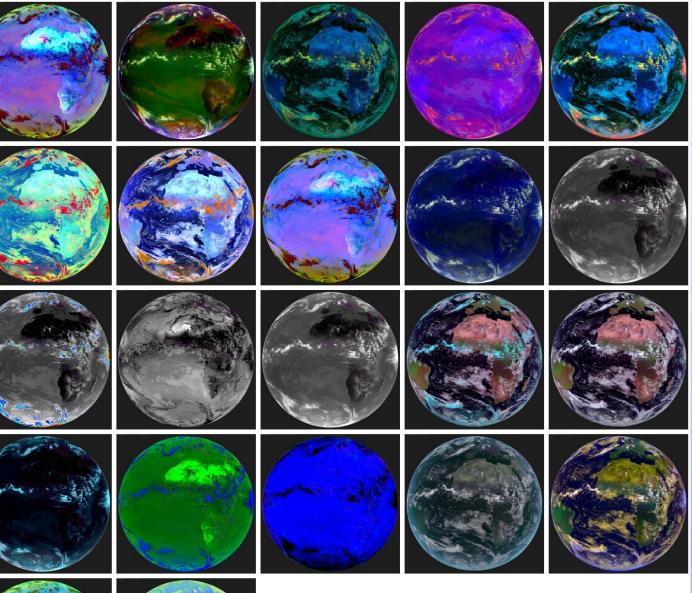
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Problem: EUMETSAT not providing FCI/decompression for Windows Only for Linux



Tested processing time in two platforms:

Windows (laptop 6 cores, 12 logical) 90/110 seconds Linux (32 physical cores processor) 30/40 seconds

Visualization functionalities planned to continue with FCI imagery

• High flexible animation, mainly of rapid scan imagery with:

- Continuous zoom and scroll of the image
- Single switch between RGB products for image comparison
- the ability to quickly change the time period of the animation

• Use mouse properties to quickly read position and values in the image

- λ , ϕ , BT, albedo, classified values (cloud type, cloud top height, CTT, ...)
- Detection of OT including calculations of OT height, OT BT

• Overlay additional vector products like:

- AMV (motion vectors)
- Track (tracking storms)

All these functionalities were developed and are available at SHMÚ.

We would be happy to keep these functionalities for the future.

Not only to keep but to improve and adopt for better FCI space and time resolution

as tools extremely useful for monitoring and investigation of severe events

Visualization functionalities planned to continue with FCI imagery

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AMV (ATMOSPHERIC MOTION VECTORS) ALGORITHM:

Standard correlation algorithm applied to square region in satellite image:

$$\max\left\{r = \frac{\sum_{i} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i} (x_i - \overline{x})^2 \sum_{i} (y_i - \overline{y})^2}}\right\}$$

Algorithm description: Define limited area in the first image and look for identical image structure in second image. Shift of structure between images corresponds to mutual parallax shift between left and right satellite observations.

- Originally used only WV channels smooth structures;
- standard cross-correlation technique is applied to rectangular targets;
- detecting optimal shift between target and matcher;
- applied to regular satellite image grid (step size optional from 10 to single image pixels)

Important note: Both images from left and right satellites must be projected to the common map!!!

Algorithm comes from CEI Nowcasting Project 2002-2004

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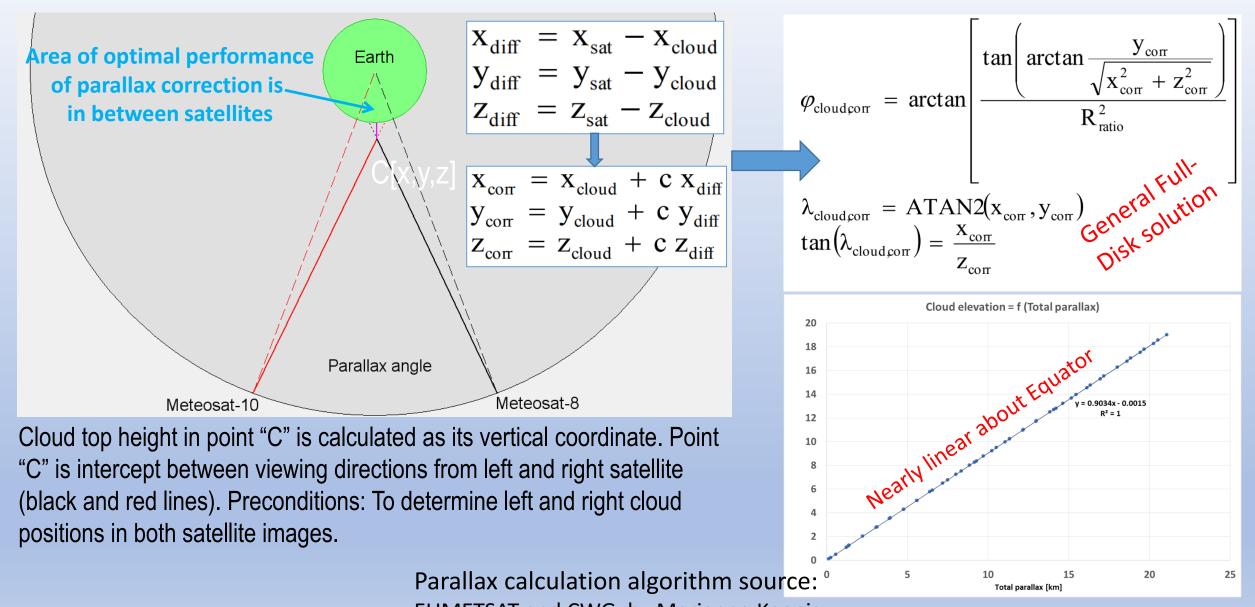
| Parameter: | Step 16 | x16Step 8x8 | |
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| Correlation window size | 33 | 33 | |
| Span of possible displacements | 36 | 36 | |
| x-coordinate of first column | 32 | 32 | |
| y-coordinate of first row | 32 | 32 | |
| x-difference between vectors | 16 | 8 | |
| y-difference between vectors | 16 | 8 | |
| number of vectors in x-direction | 122 | 244 | |
| number of vectors in y-direction | 91 | 182 | |
| Gaussian pyramid iterations | 2 | 2 | |
| number of smoothing cycles | 3 | 3 | |
| Area zoom factor 1 | 1 | | |
| Area X-offset | 1400 | 1400 | |
| Area Y-offset | 750 | 750 | |
| Time interval | 15 | 15 | |

Algorithm comes from CEI Nowcasting Project 2002-2004

WAY TO THE FINAL PRODUCTS / AMV CASE:

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DUAL SATELLITES PARALLAX – SIMPLIFIED SCHEME ABOVE EQUATOR VERSUS FULL-EARTH SOLUTION



EUMETSAT and CWG, by Marianne Koenig https://www.essl.org/cwg/res/parallax/DescriptionOfTheParallaxCorrectionFunctionality.pdf

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To automatize this process we need:

1. Identify cloud structures in the left and right satellite images using AMV algorithm

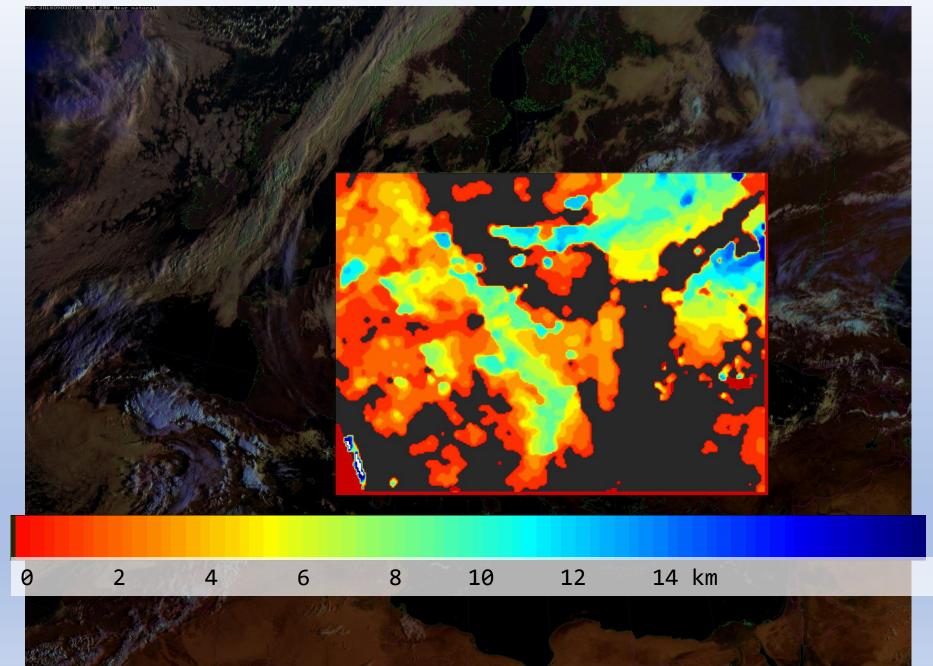
2. Couple cloud structures using dual set of Cartesian coordinates [x_{left}, y_{left}] and [x_{right}, y_{right}]

 $[\lambda_{left}, \phi_{left}]$ and $[\lambda_{right}, \phi_{right}]$

- 3. Convert Cartesian to geographical coordinates
- 4. Calculate parallax corrected positions in left and right image $[\lambda_{left}, \phi_{left}]^{corr}$ and $[\lambda_{right}, \phi_{right}]^{corr}$
- 5. Calculate horizontal (surface) distance d between left and right corrected positions (note that for sea level elevation parallax correction is zero):
 - **d** = distance ($[\lambda_{left}, \phi_{left}]^{corr} [\lambda_{right}, \phi_{right}]^{corr}$)
- 6. Change elevation E in 100 meters steps up to 20 km atmosphere layer
- 7. Repeat calculation steps **3**, **4**, **5**, **6** for each elevation **E** to look for minimal horizontal distance d_{min}
- 8. Elevation **E(d_{min})** corresponding to the minimum distance **d_{min}** is the height of the cloud found!

WAY TO THE FINAL PRODUCTS AND IMPROVEMENT OF SATELLITE RESOLUTION Higher satellite resolution – more dense grid for AMV calculations: AMV image processing step 16 x 16 pixels: AMV image processing step 8 x 8 pixels:

EXAMPLES OF FINAL PRODUCTS – DERIVED FROM HRV CHANNEL, OVER VIS/IR RGB:



EVALUATION OF PAIRED CTH MEASUREMENTS

Precision factors of NWCSAF CTH:

- Cloud mask & cloud types
- Cloud semi-transparency
- Radiances, BT and T,H-profiles

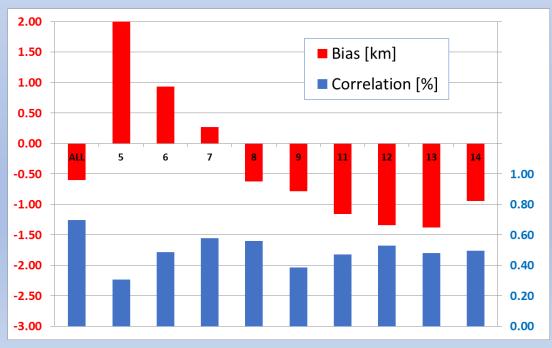
Precision factors of Parallax Cloud Top:

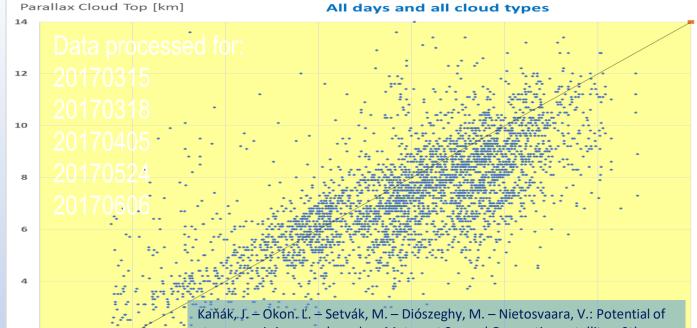
- Image resolution
- Optical cloud properties and shape

Bias and correlation of compared methods:

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High semitransparent above low or medium clouds





stereoscopic imagery based on Meteosat Second Generation satellites. 9th European Conference on Severe Storms – ECSS 2017. Pula, Chorvátsko, 18.-22. september 2017. NWCSAF Cloud Top [km]

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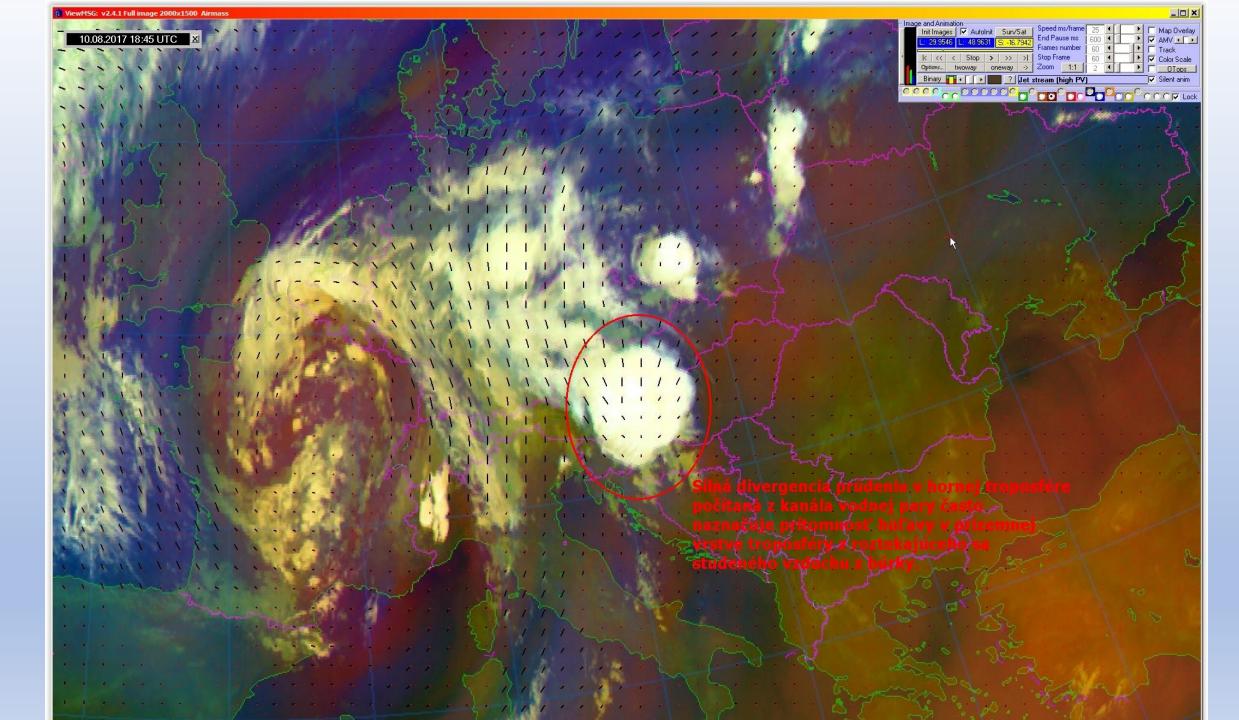
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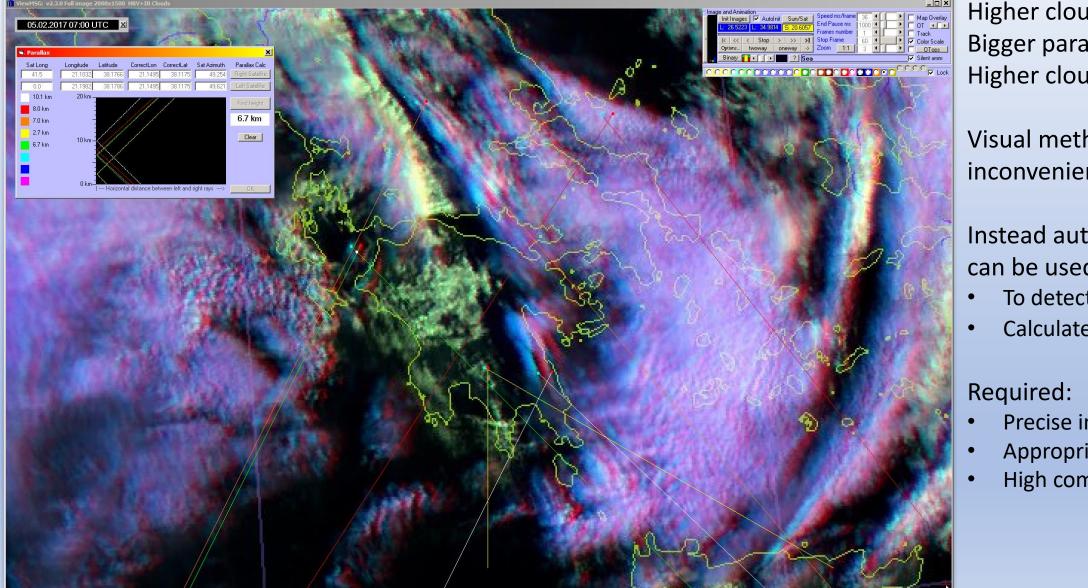
| 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | | 10 | 12 | 14 |
|-------------|--------------|------------------|-----|---|-------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| | | | | | Cloud | Number | | Correlation |
| Cloud type | | | | | index | of cases | Bias [km] | [%] |
| All clouds | | | | | ALL | 3477 | -0.60 | 0.70 |
| Very low c | louds | | | | 5 | 32 | 2.00 | 0.31 |
| Low clouds | 5 | | | | 6 | 300 | 0.93 | 0.49 |
| Mid level o | clouds | | | | 7 | 531 | 0.27 | 0.58 |
| High opaqu | ue clouds | | | | 8 | 990 | -0.62 | 0.56 |
| Very high o | opaque cloud | ls | | | 9 | 154 | -0.78 | 0.39 |
| High semit | ransparent t | hin clouds | | | 11 | 207 | -1.16 | 0.47 |
| High semit | ransparent n | neanly thick clo | uds | | 12 | 389 | -1.34 | 0.53 |
| High semit | ransparent t | hick clouds | | | 13 | 565 | -1.38 | 0.48 |
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Storm August 10th, 2017 South-West of Slovakia usage of satellite AMVs



EXAMPLES OF REAL DATA OBTAINED BY PARALLAX MEASUREMENT TOOL:

Clouds over Greece 5.2.2017 07:00 UTC Measured height values: 10.1, 8.0, 7.0, 2.7, 6.7 km



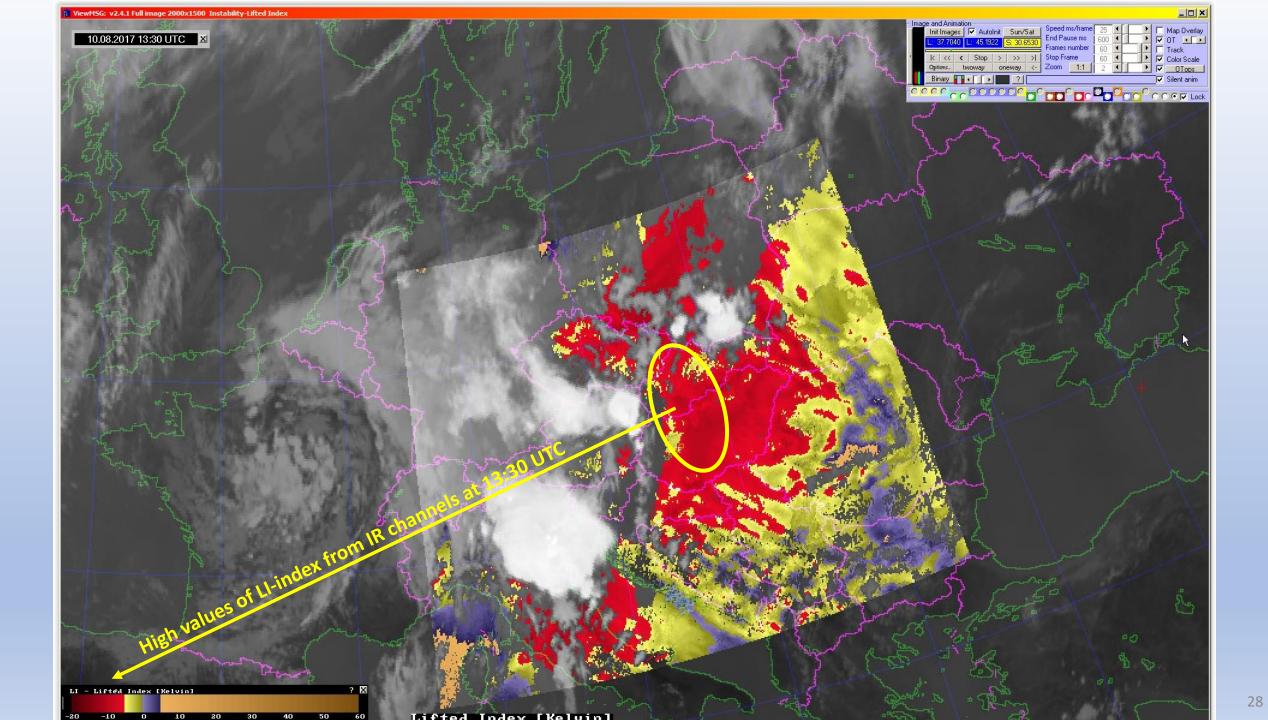
Higher cloud → Bigger parallax → Higher cloud top height

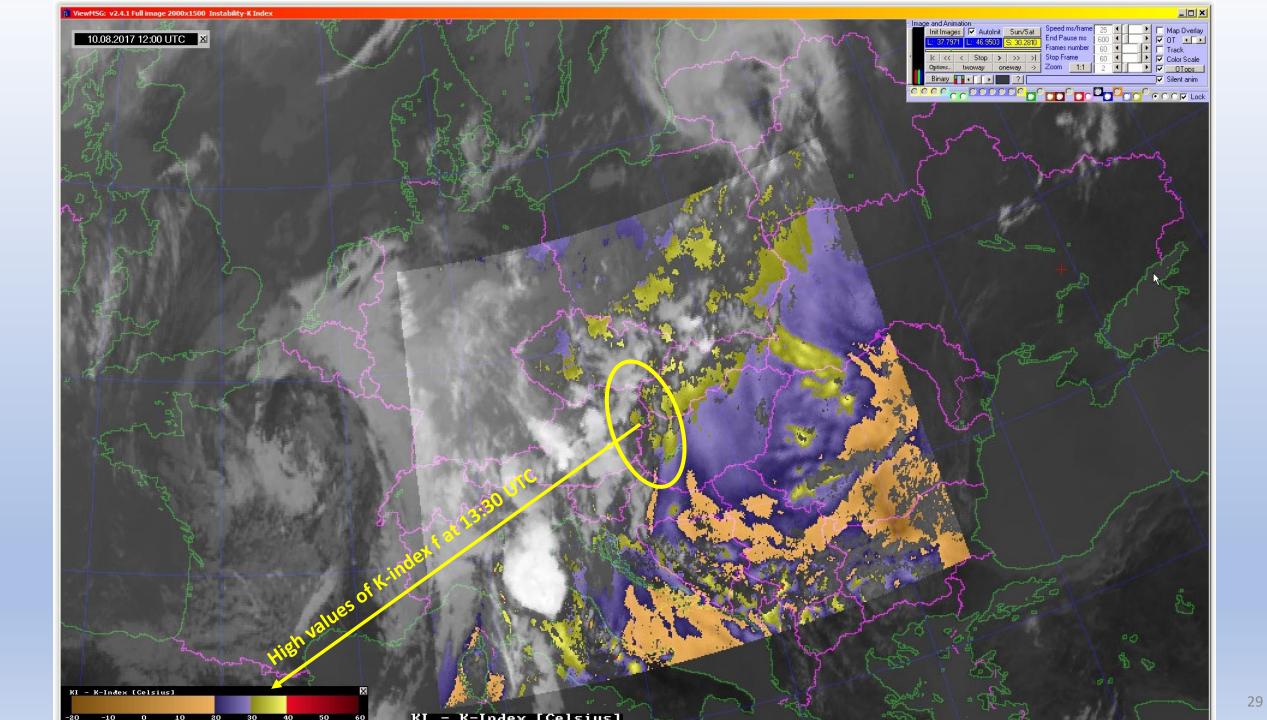
Visual method is inconvenient and subjective

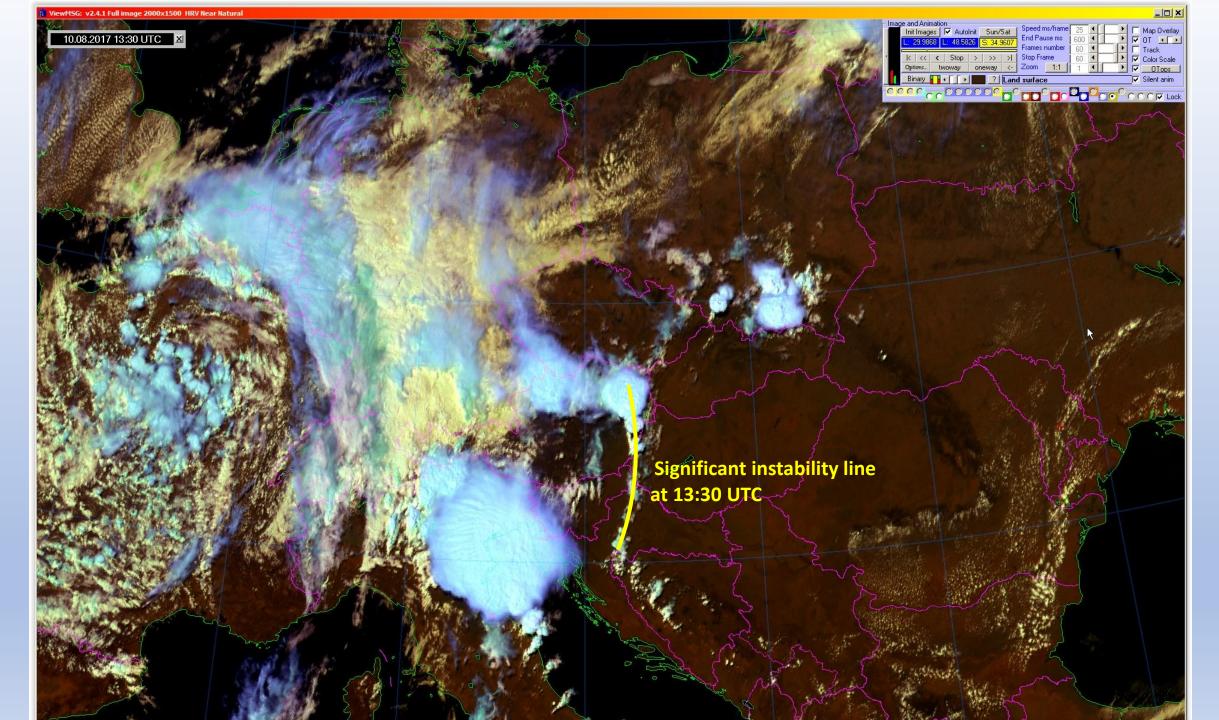
Instead automatic calculation can be used:

- To detect parallax shifts
- Calculate cloud top height
- Precise image geo-referencir
- Appropriate algorithms
- High computing resources









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Detection algorithm for OT and read out values of OT parameters 16.5716 47.6863 Arriel Max 81 -55, 38 3.65 connected to potential up-drafts nageX.Y: 1089 777

Date: OT ID number:

Longitude: Latitude:

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Zoom 1:1

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Jet stream (high PV)

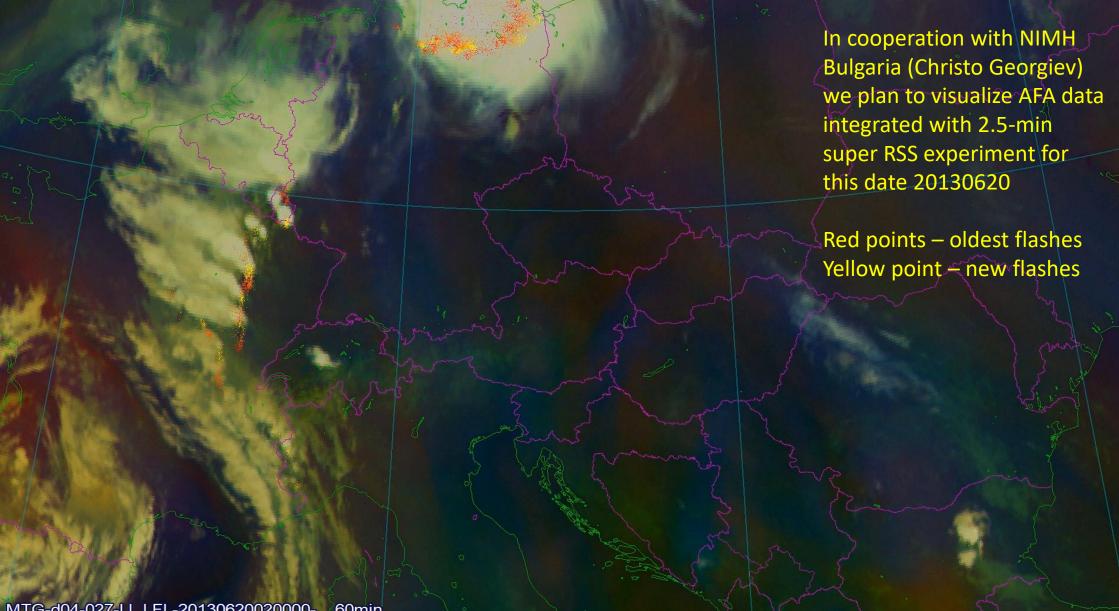
Evident divergence in the upper troposphere calculated from WV channel often indicates the presence of squall line in the ground layer formed by the flow of cold air coming out of the storm

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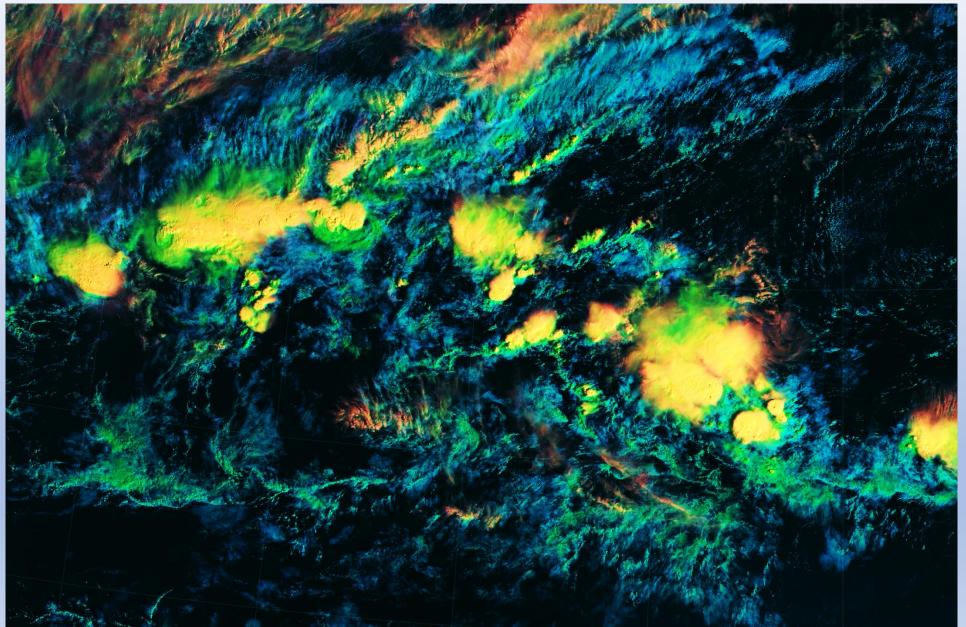
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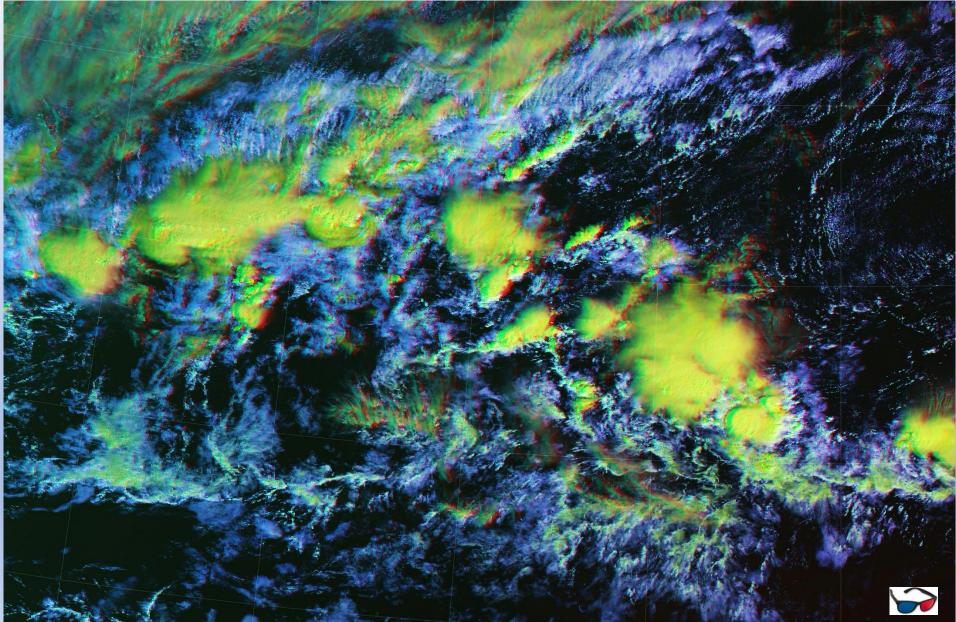
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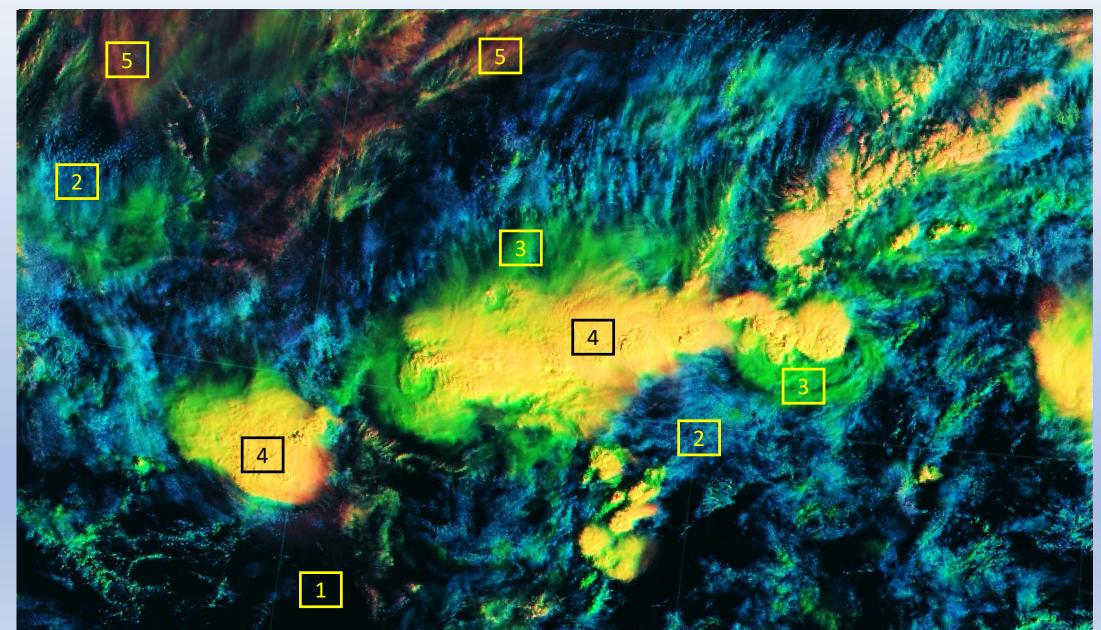
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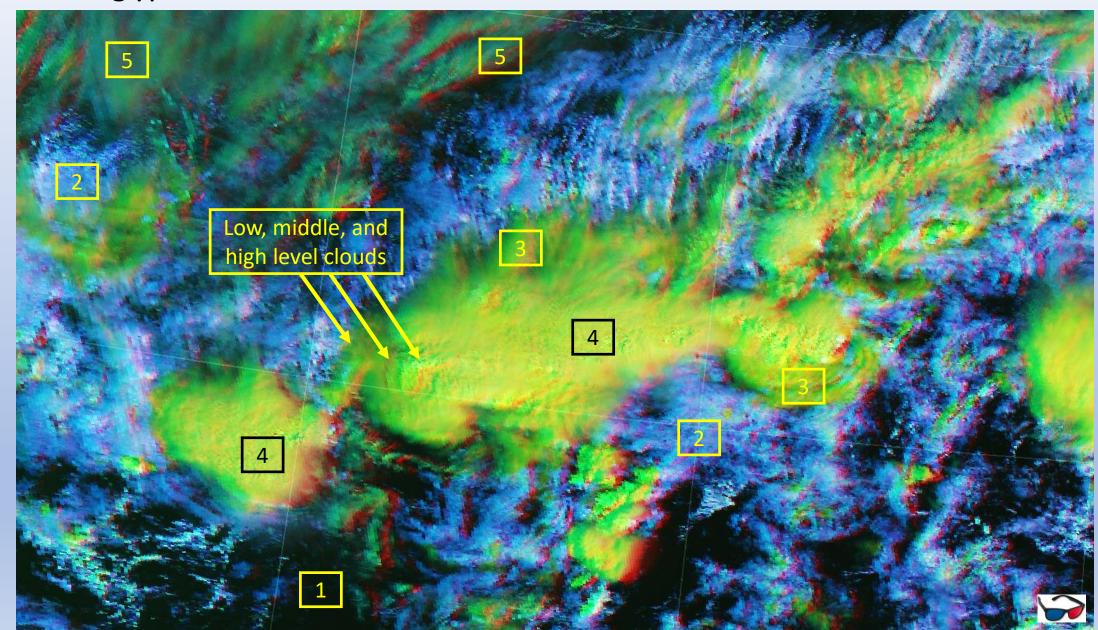
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2021-01-25 17:00 Cloud phase & Cloud types & phase distinction: Legend:

Sea surface

- Low to mid-level water clouds
- Mixed phase clouds at low and mid-levels

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Thick ice clouds (multi-layered clouds with ice on top)

Thin cirrus clouds over land or sea (darker red over the seas)

Conclusions

- Status of development of satellite application software for FCI and LI at SHMU
 - Maximize effectiveness of processing steps:
 - Avoid repeating of identical processing steps when generating different domains or different RGBs
 - Maximize processing speed using parallelization of calculations
 - What is missing and is planned to do:
 - Easy configure new domains and new RGBs
 - Installation of FCI Decompression software is not straight forward; at SHMI we have some knowhow how to install this software and prerequisites
 - Some parts of software are operational for MSG data at SHMI but available only as lab/test versions for future FCI data
 - We are prepared to adapt software parts as soon as possible when real-time FCI data will be available during or after commissioning phase of MTG-I1 satellite

Conclusions

- The preparation of this software took almost 2 years, so today's presentation does not bring too much added professional value, as it was in the past, for example:
 - OT detection
 - Monitoring areal and time distribution of storms
 - Both in higher time and space resolution
- I believe that also in case of this solution presented here the MTG era will bring new opportunities to deliver more research-oriented results and less time we will spend for technical data processing and preparation of our processing chains:
 - Operational for forecasters
 - Experimental for researchers

I am grateful to those who are willing to help me with testing and feedback for improvement: Christo Georgiev from Bulgaria and Humberto Barbosa from Brazil **Thank to all of you for attention!**