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LABORATÓRIO DE ANÁLISE E PROCESSAMENTO DE IMAGENS DE SATÉLITES

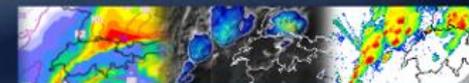


Weather and emergency services applied to management and disaster reduction supported by MTG in Brazil

MOTIVATION: Is to generate technical elements to support the approved project "Analysis and Forecast of Extreme Events in Northeastern Brazil" by the Joint Call CAPES/CEMADEN/MTCI - Pro-Alerts in 24/2014.

MAIN OBJECTIVE: is to support the training of human resources for the development of products derived from environmental satellite data and weather radar, and international cooperation with emphasis on collaborative effort between: the UFAL, the UFCG, the UFPel and the EUMETSAT/EUMETCast.

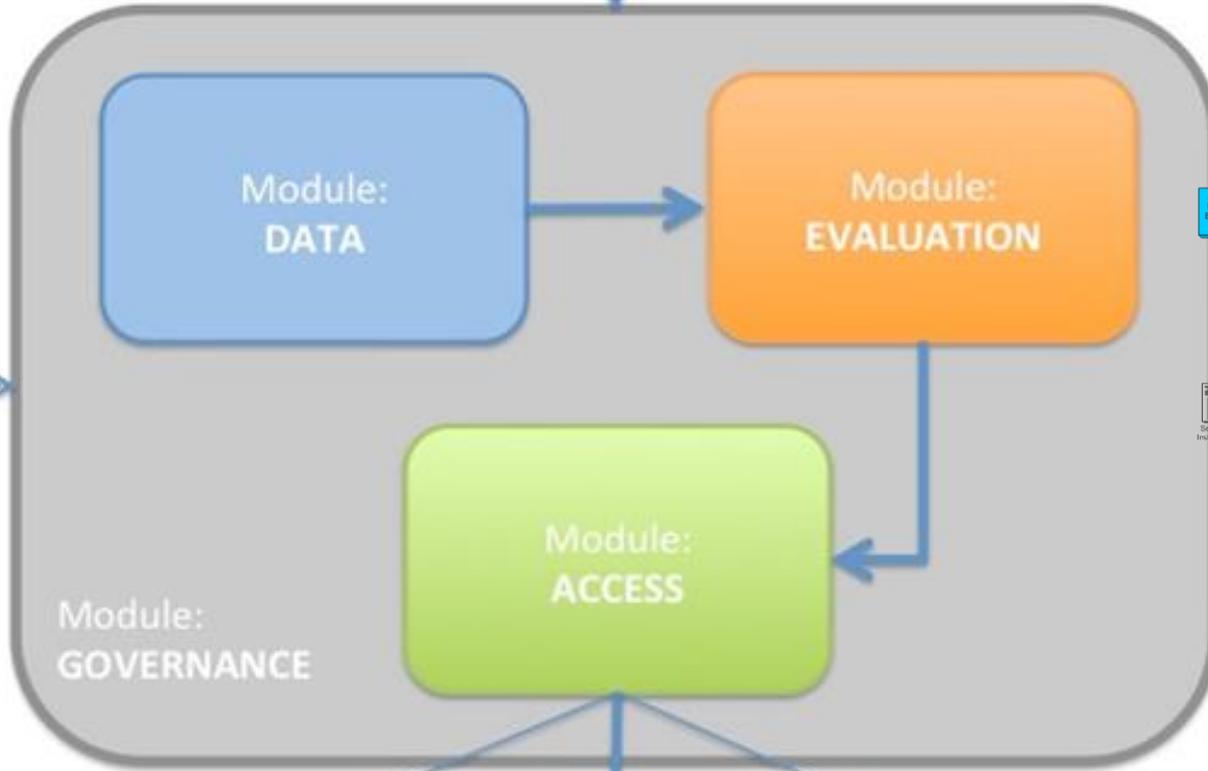
EUMETSAT's CWG
Workshop (Florence, 4 – 8
April 2016)



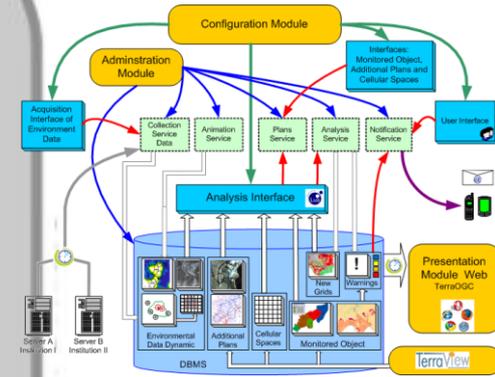
Convection Working Group

General Framework of Project Overview

SAGEO: South America Group of EUMETCast Operators



TerraMA2-INPE platform architecture



GEONETCast system



Final Users



Development of products derived from environmental satellite data and weather radar



Challenges

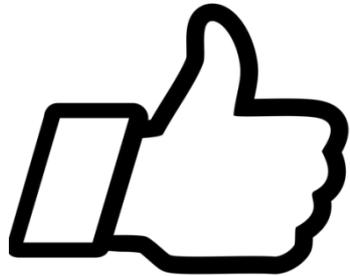
Data Existence?



Data sources?



Access rights?



Data quality?

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TIME AND RESOURCES CONCONSUMING!!!

Participatory process: SAGEO



Relevance?
Data Sources?
Quality?
Coverage?
Gaps?



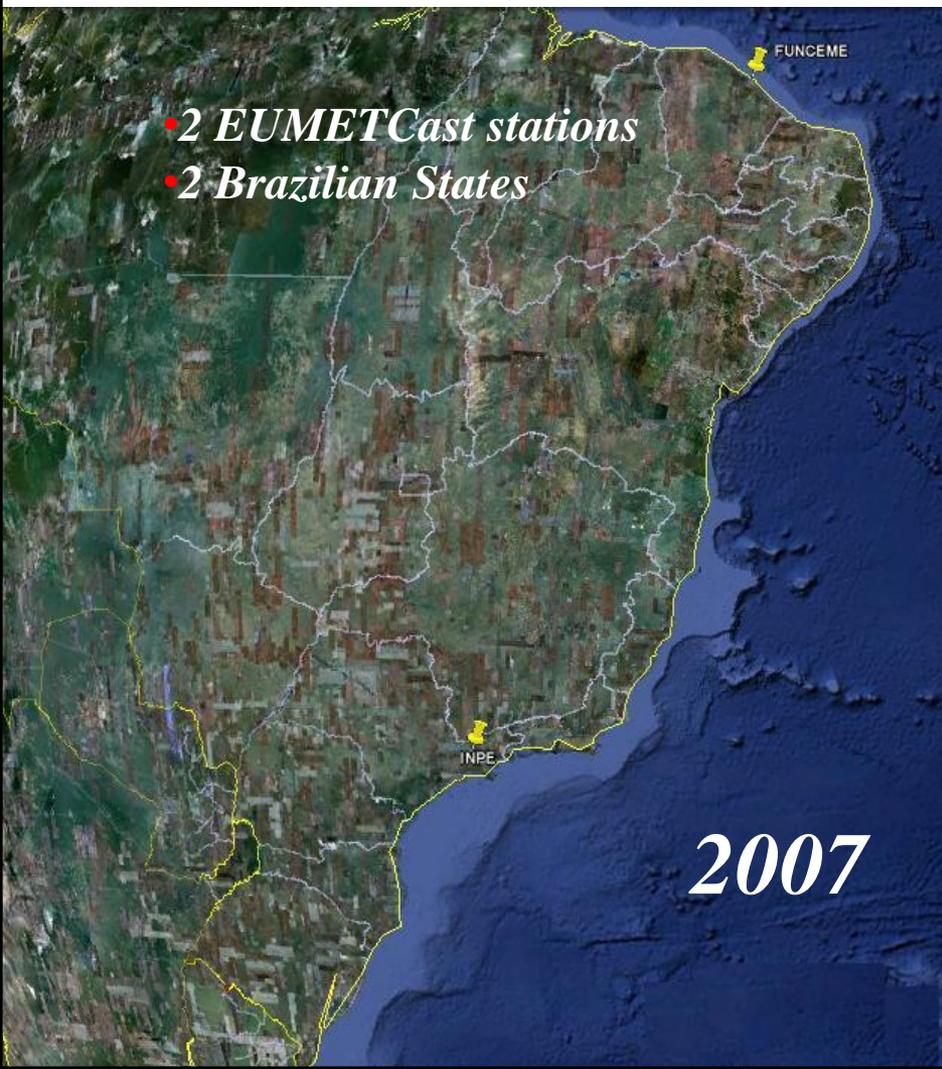
SAGEO: South America Group of EUMETCast Operators

❖ **SAGEO** has been established in September 2009 as a starting point for collaborative effort between **EUMETSAT workshops** and **EUMETCast Brazil Operators** to strengthen regional capacities of use MSG satellite data and products.

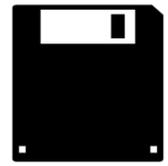
SAGEO activities:

- The installation of a “standard” **EUMETCast station**, with an appropriate training for the operation of the station;
- Network of **experts** across the Brazil;
- Facilitating **the EUMETCast operators** with the visualization;
- Seeking **mechanisms** for regional partnership.

SAGEO: III Meeting 2011, Brazil

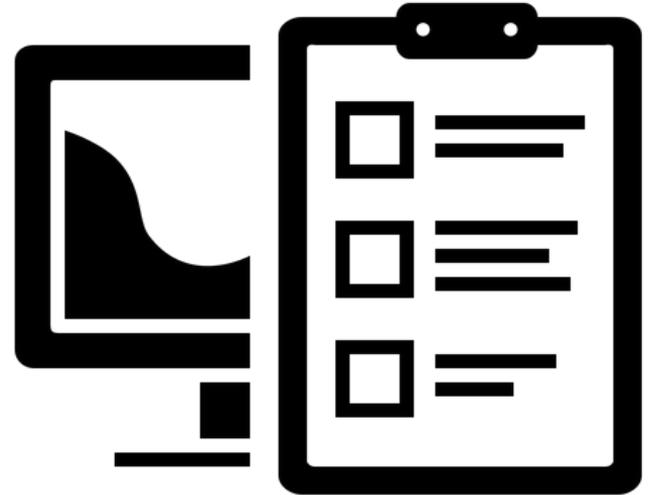


Module 1: DATA



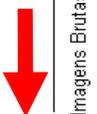
ACTIVITIES & ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED:

- ◆ Inventory of existing data and sources
- ◆ Data access, collection and updating by interconnecting existing databases
- ◆ Quality control (WHO?)
- ◆ Space-time coverage
- ◆ Selection of RS data
- ◆ Observations vs. retrieved values vs. proxies





Meteorol. Operacional



Imagens Brutas



Estação de Superfície Principal - Itália



NSS-806



Imagens Processadas



Centro de Controle e Processamento Darmstad, Alemanha



Antena UFAL / Brasil



DVB

1347 MHz
27500 Ks/s



Sistema de Processamento

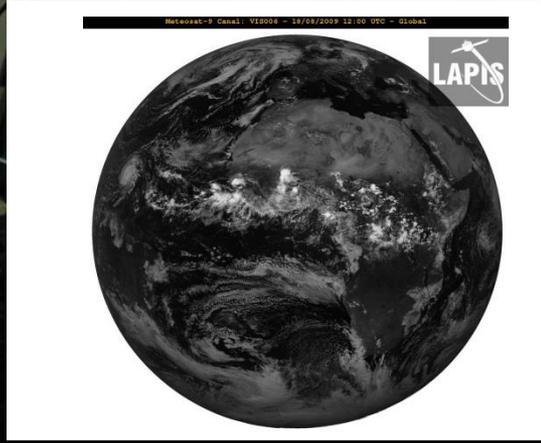
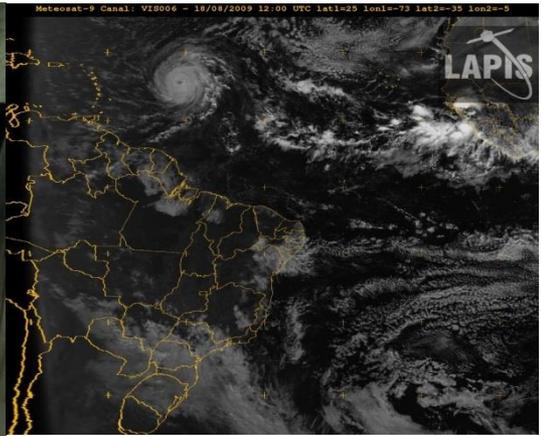


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Sistema de Armazenamento

EUMETCast Lapis



Modules: APPROACH FOR SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS

- ◆ Provide final user with useful information and a clear message
- ◆ Handle and Summarize huge volumes of complex data (multidimensionality) by means of composite indicators easier to understand
- ◆ Select a small number of key-indicators per thematic area



Accountability!!!!

APPROACH FOR SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS

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Approach for Convective Systems

- This methodology does not aim to detect overshooting tops, but is based in steps that estimate deep convection in overshooting detection techniques.

- **The techniques are:**

- **Brightness Temperature Difference (WV 6.2 – IR 10.8)**

-Explanation according to **Schmetz et al (1997)** : When the top of a deep convective cloud approaches the tropopause, it blocks radiation from the troposphere from escaping into space. Then the radiation at the top of the atmosphere consists of radiation from the cloud top and from the stratosphere. In the stratosphere, the temperature increases with height, resulting in an emission spectrum. This is more pronounced in the WV channel than in the IR channel because of the larger strength of the absorption lines. The actual difference between the brightness temperatures depends on the actual height of the cloud top and on the amount of stratospheric water vapor.

- WV-IRW BTM greater than 0 K indicates presence of deep convective cloud. Setvak et al. (2007) using 1 km MODIS data, determined WV-IRW BTM in the range of 4 to 7K in the overshooting above the coldest cloud tops.



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- IRW-texture (Bedka, 2010)

- Includes a combination of infrared channel brightness temperatures and their spatial gradients, a numerical weather prediction model tropopause temperature forecast and OT size criteria.

- To identify OTs during both day and night at their proper spatial scale. Pixels with an IRW BT ≤ 215 K and near to or colder than the NWP tropopause are considered candidate OT pixels. A maximum OT diameter of 15 km and maximum anvil cloud IRW BT of 225 K are assumed based upon detailed analysis of OT signatures in satellite imagery. The anvil is sampled at a ~ 8 km radius from a candidate OT pixel in 16 directions to compute the mean anvil IRW BT. A candidate OT pixel that is 6.5 K colder than the surrounding anvil is considered an OT.



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NWP TROPOPAUSE TEMPERATURE:

- Temporal resolution 6h

- 0.5° Resolution Global Forecast System (GFS)

- This NWP field is remapped to the resolution and projection of the corresponding satellite imagery using the Man Computer Interactive Data Access System (McIDAS-X) software package so that a tropopause temperature is associated with every satellite pixel. (Bedka et al, 2010)

New Approach for Convective Systems

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- **NEFODINA**
 - The NEFODINA (DYNAmic NEFOanalysis) product has been developed by Italian Air Force Met Service (IAFMS) to estimate thunderstorms presence and intensity using only geostationary satellite data. More precisely using a multichannel approach it provides information on convective nuclei inside cloudy systems (from mesoscale down to single cell thunderstorm)



DATA

This methodology only requires to sources of data:

- Meteosat Second Generation (MSG)
 - *Band 5 – Water Vapor 6.2 μm*
 - *Band 9 – Infrared 10.8 μm*
- Numerical Weather Prediction Tropopause Temperature
 - In this case: NCEP/ NCAR Reanalysis

The data are manipulated and integrated using:

Man-computer Interactive Data Access System (McIDAS-V)

- Science and Engineering Center (SSEC) na Universidade de Wisconsin-Madson
- Free Source software.

METODOLOGY

This approach is composed by 3 primary parameters and 2 secondary ones:

PRIMARY

-**IR TEMP** < **233 k** (Bottom limit for pixels start to become interesting)

-**BTD WV-IR** > **0** (Estimate intrusion of moisture in high levels)

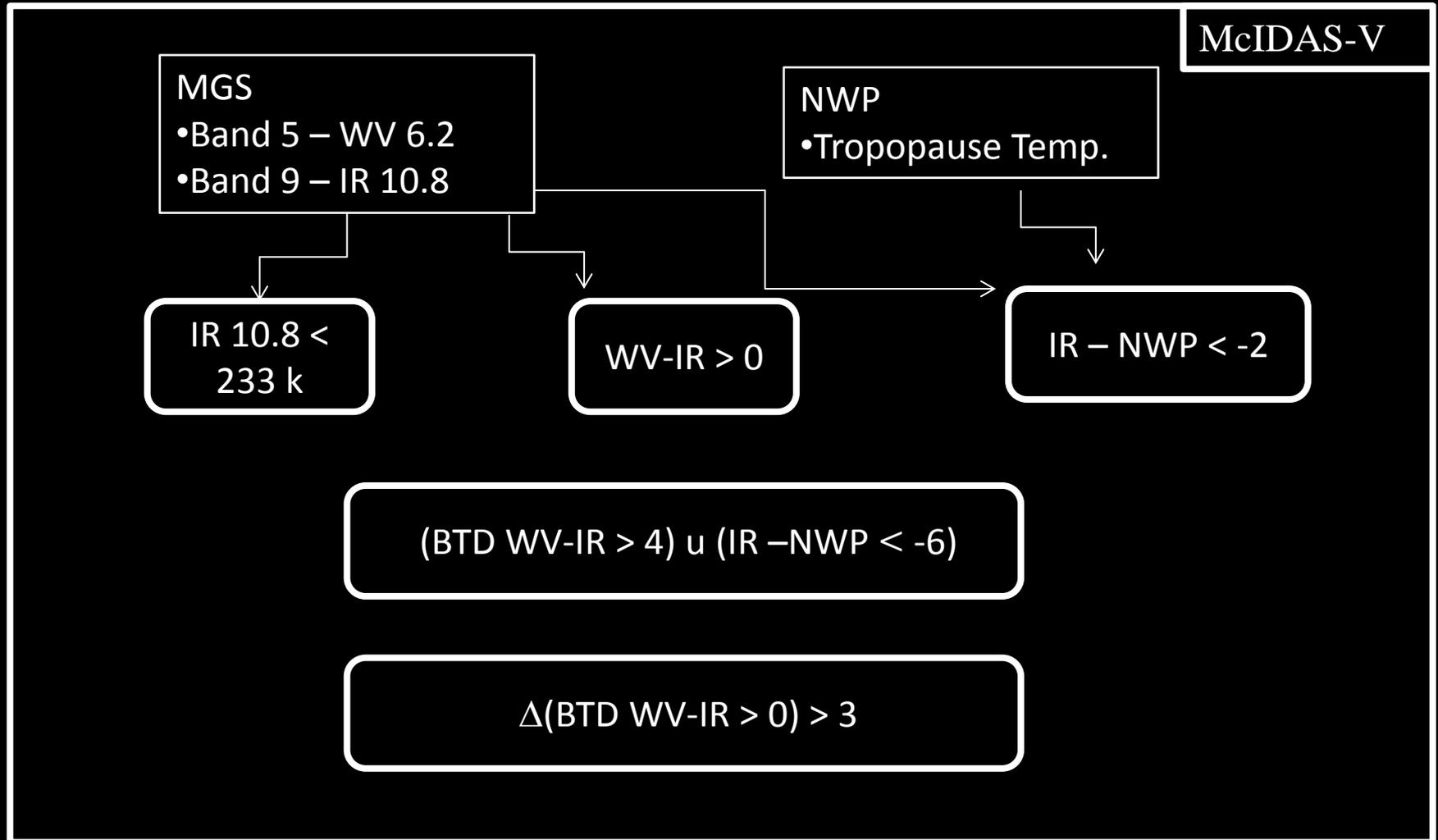
-**IR – Tropopause Temperature** < **-2** (Show pixels that are significantly colder than the temperature in tropopause)

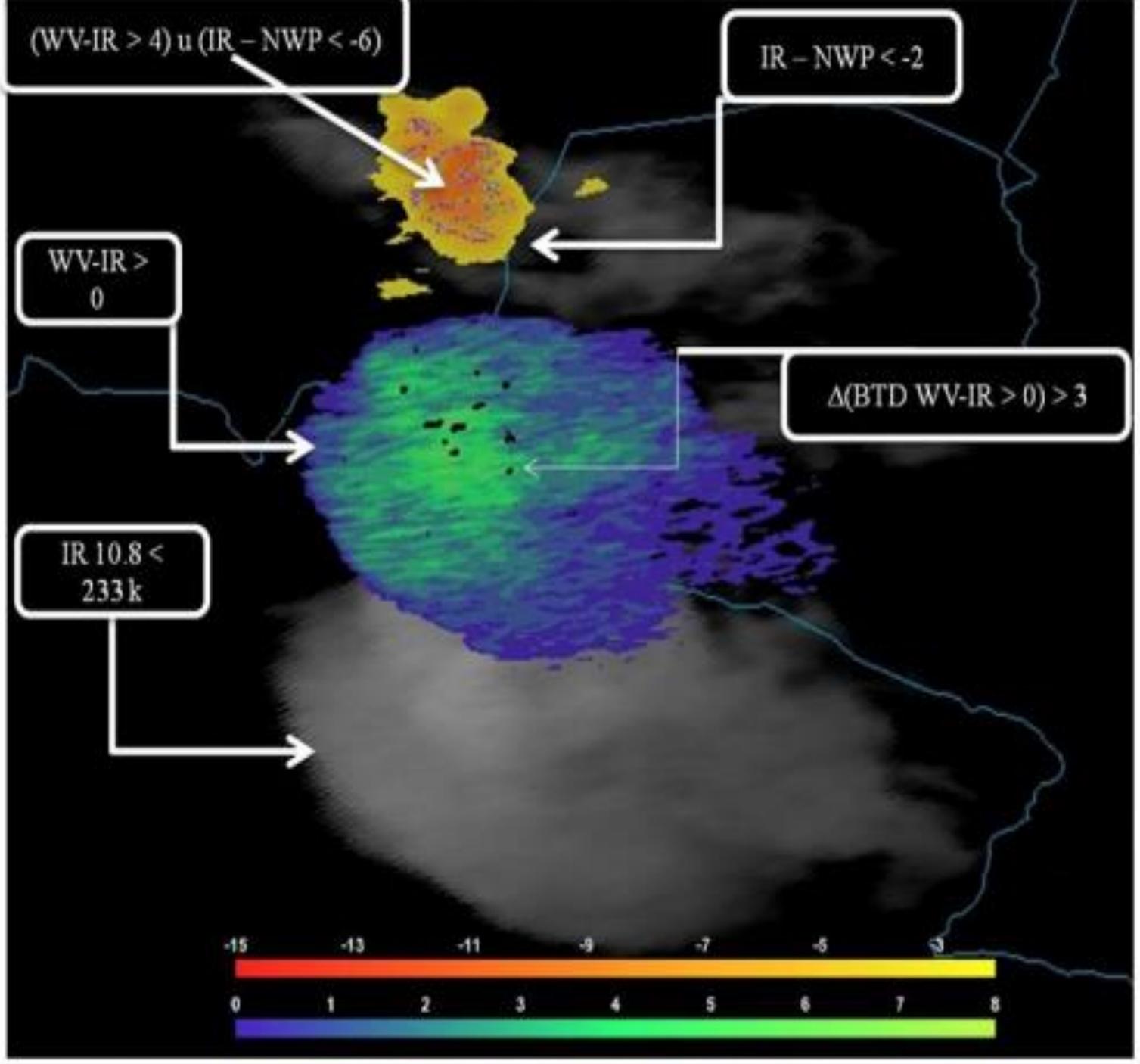
-SECONDARY

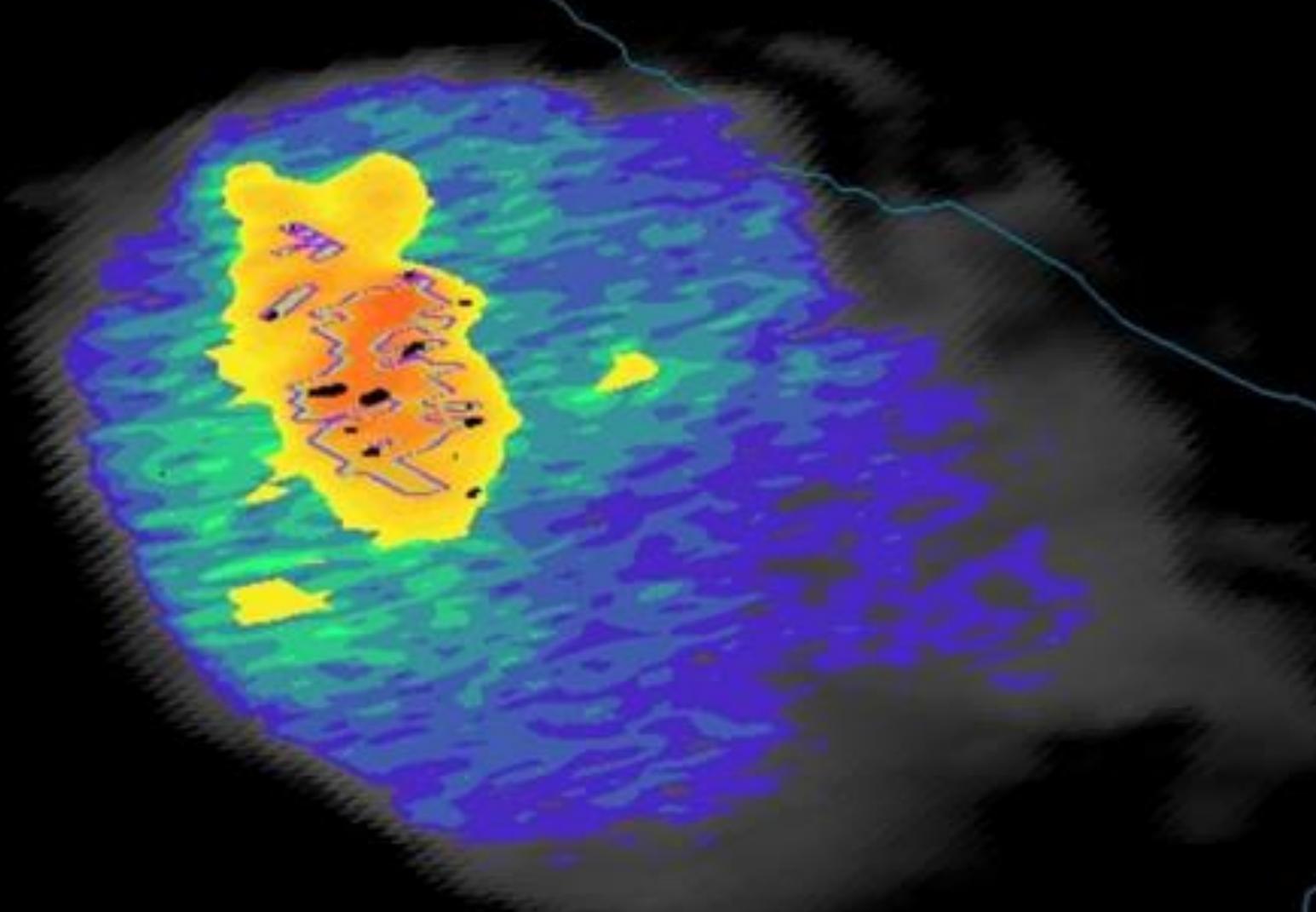
- $\Delta(\text{BTD WV-IR} > 0) > 3$ - (Show regions of rapidly intensification)

-($\text{BTD WV-IR} > 4$) u ($\text{IR –PNT} < -6$) – (Show regions of more intense convective activity estimated by both WV-IR and IR-NWP techniques.

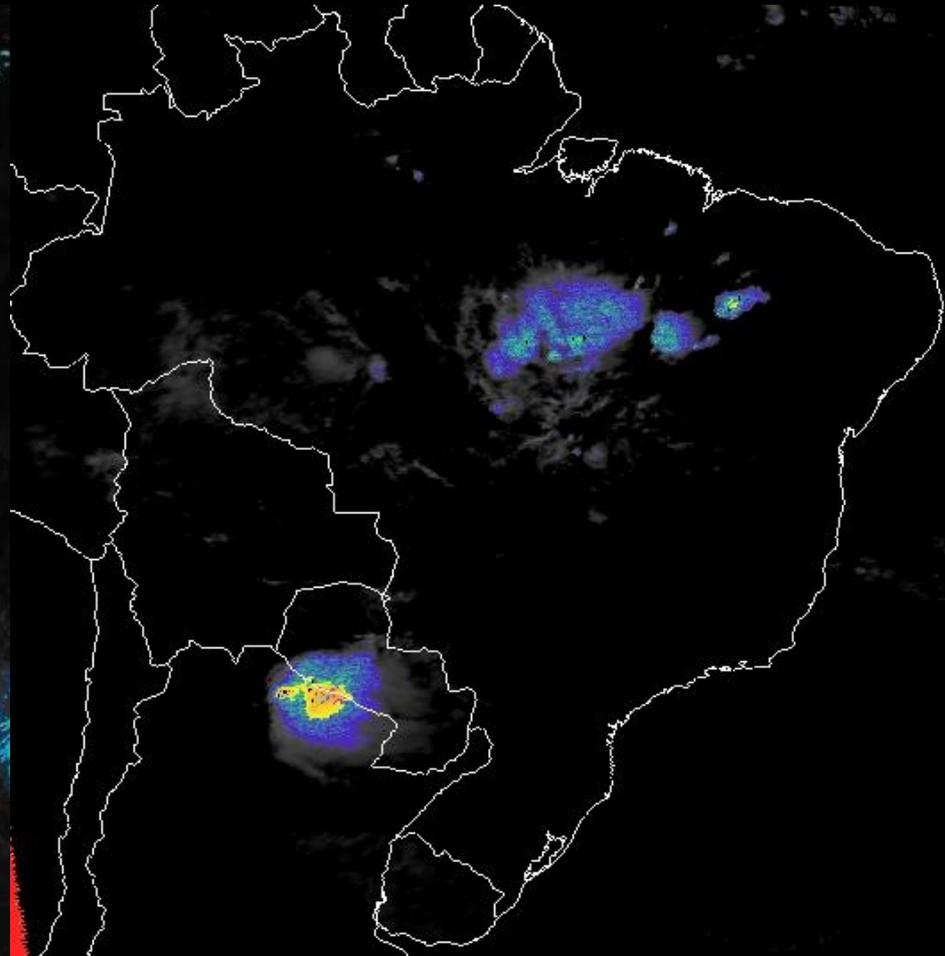
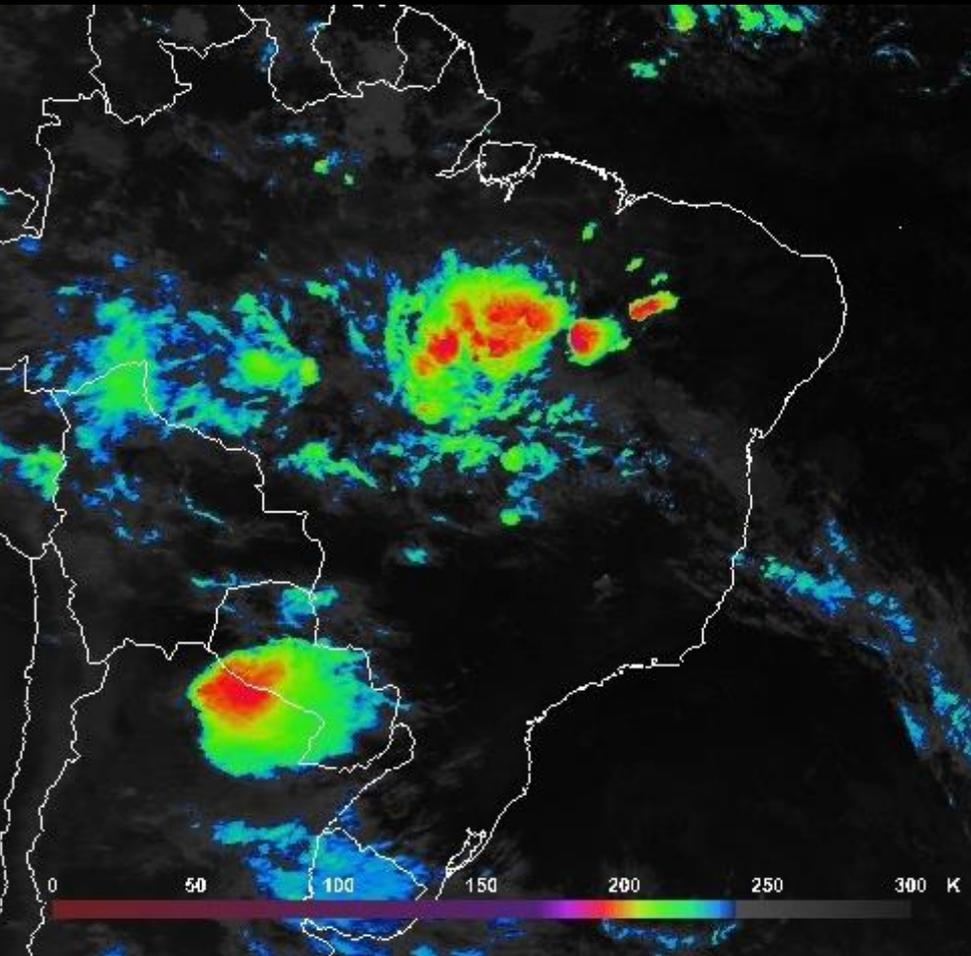
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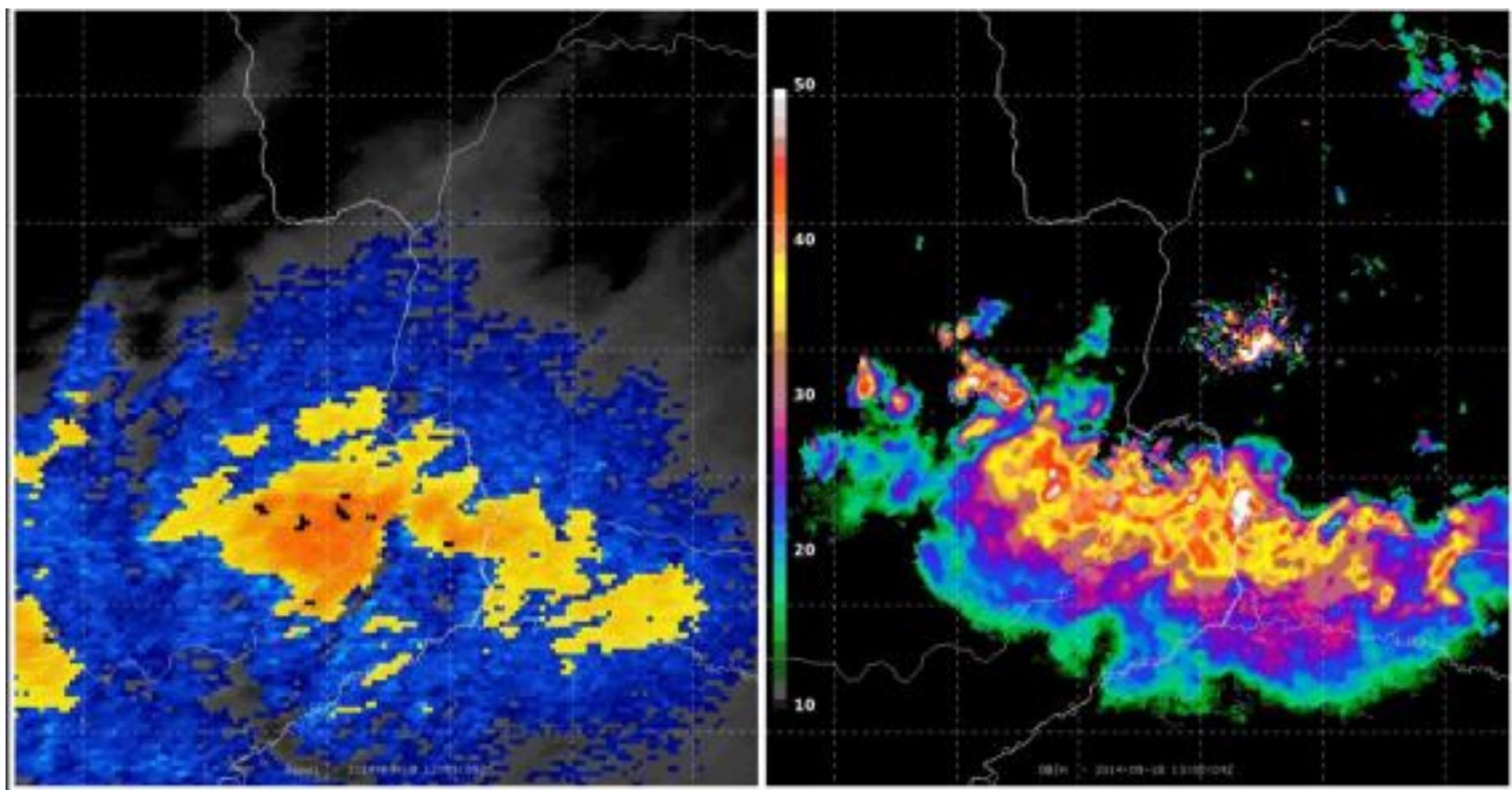




VISUALIZATION: Blended method



Satellite Imagery (left), Radar Reflectivity (Right) for 2014-09-18 13:00 UTC



Hypothesis

- Interaction between gravity waves & convection well studied
 - Convection initiation by gravity waves, vice versa
 - Wave-conditional instability of the second kind (CISK)
- **Ducted gravity waves can produce vertical wind shear**
 - Creates horizontal vorticity which can be tilted into the vertical by storm updrafts (streamwise vorticity).

Background

- **Form under statically stable conditions**
- **Generated by**
 - Mountains
 - Convection
 - Density
 - impulses
 - Shear instabilities
- Transport momentum
- Enhancement of weather
- Ducted waves longer travel time and life span

Gravity Waves

- $f=A \cos(kx-\omega t)$
 - K – wavenumber, ω – angular frequency, A – amplitude
- Both horizontal and vertical waves
 - Can become ducted
 - Trapped between two reflective surfaces
 - Ground and inversion can form duct
 - Upward and downward moving waves interact in duct

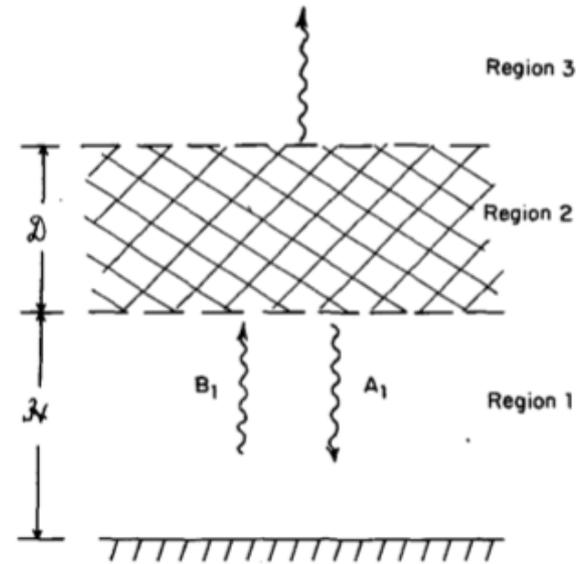


FIG. 1. Schematic diagram of the model atmosphere. Region 1 is the wave duct, region 2 the "black box" reflector, and region 3 is a semi-infinite propagating region.

Genesis via the CISK Mechanism

Convective Instability of the Second Kind (CISK):

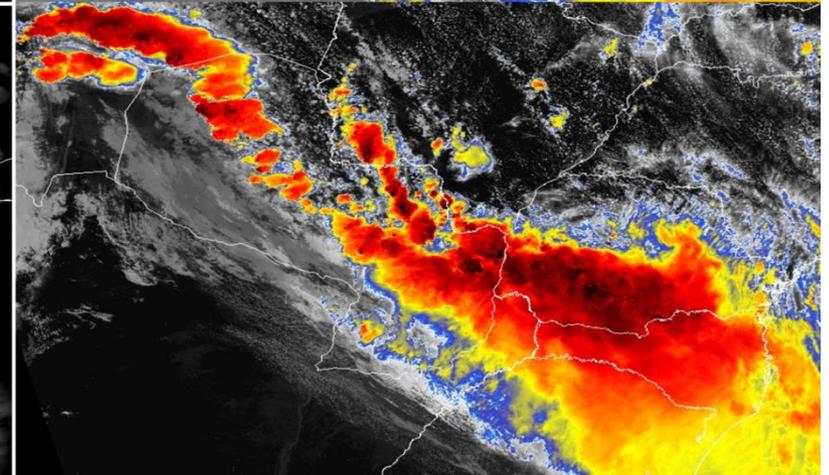
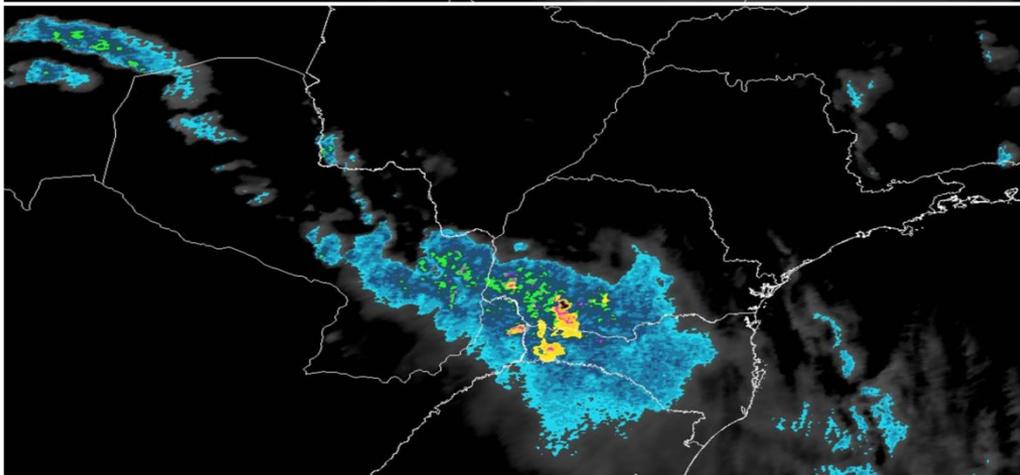
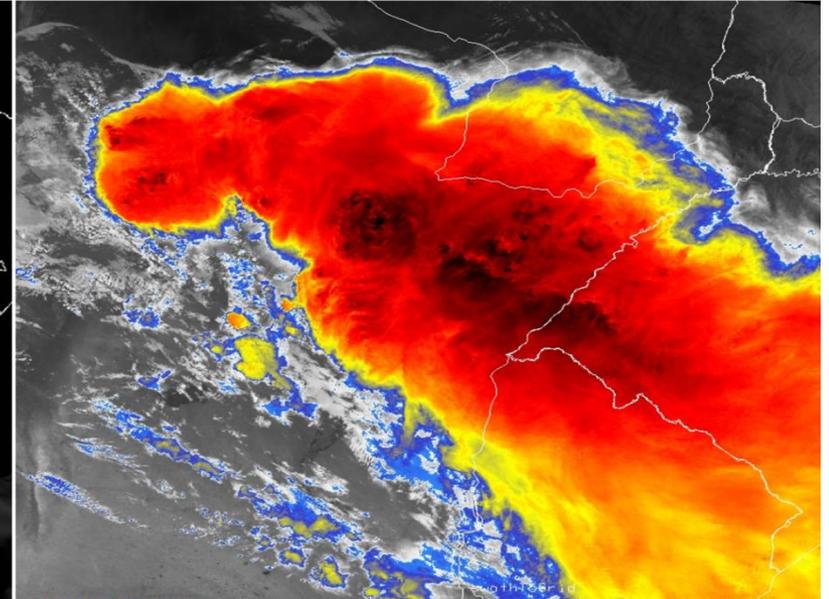
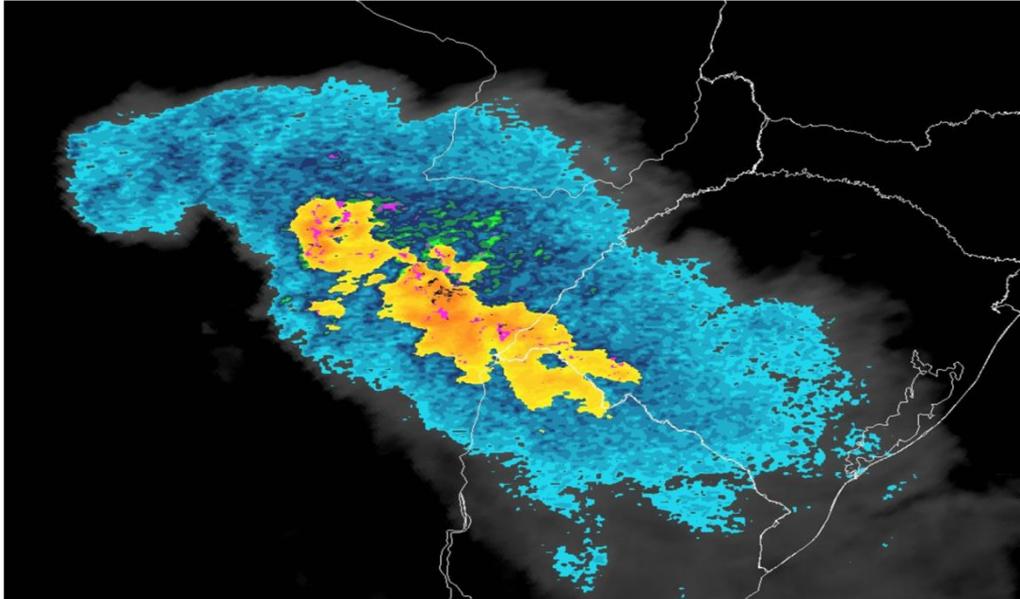
- First proposed by Jule Charney in 1964
- Assumes the atmosphere is conditionally unstable
- Requires the presence of a finite amplitude synoptic scale disturbance (gravity wave)
- Assumes latent heat release results from synoptic-scale frictional convergence

Remaining question: How does the surface vortex form?

The interactions of Gravity Waves with MCS over south parts of Brazil: 18_09_2012 at 10 UTC

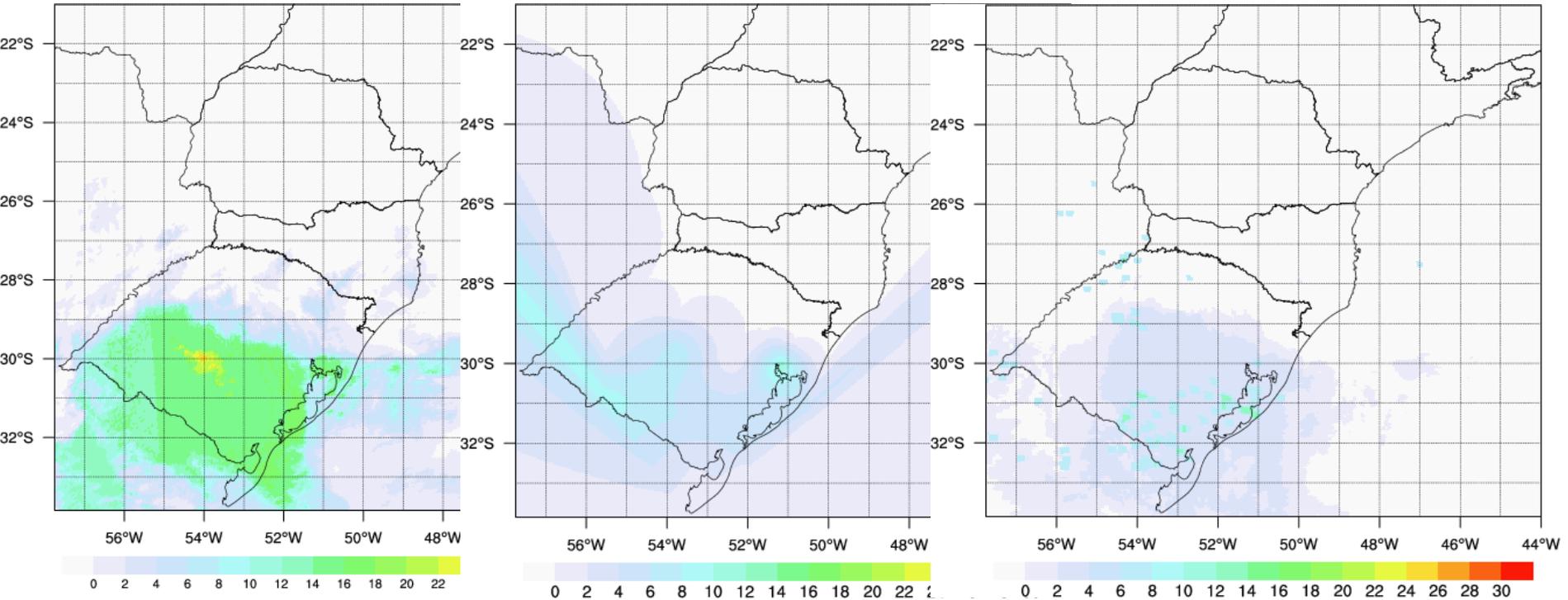
Blended method (MSG data)

VIIRS 375 m IR BT



Validation

Total rainfall over 1 hour: 18_09_2012 11 UTC

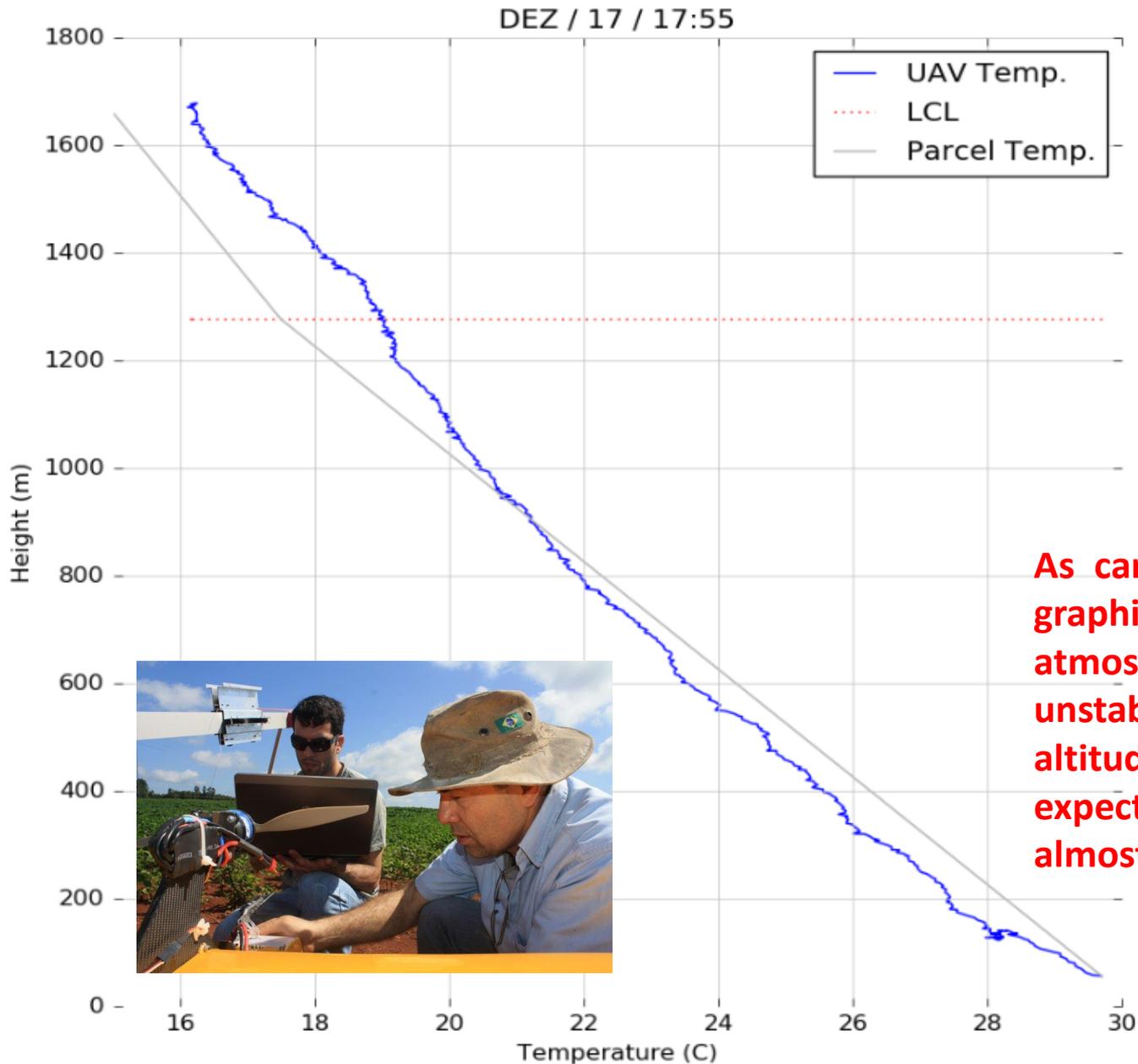


MPE
Meteosat

Rain-gauge

CST (Adler & Negri, 1988)
Goes

Preliminary results: UAV data collection Field Campaign in Brazil : 17_12_2015

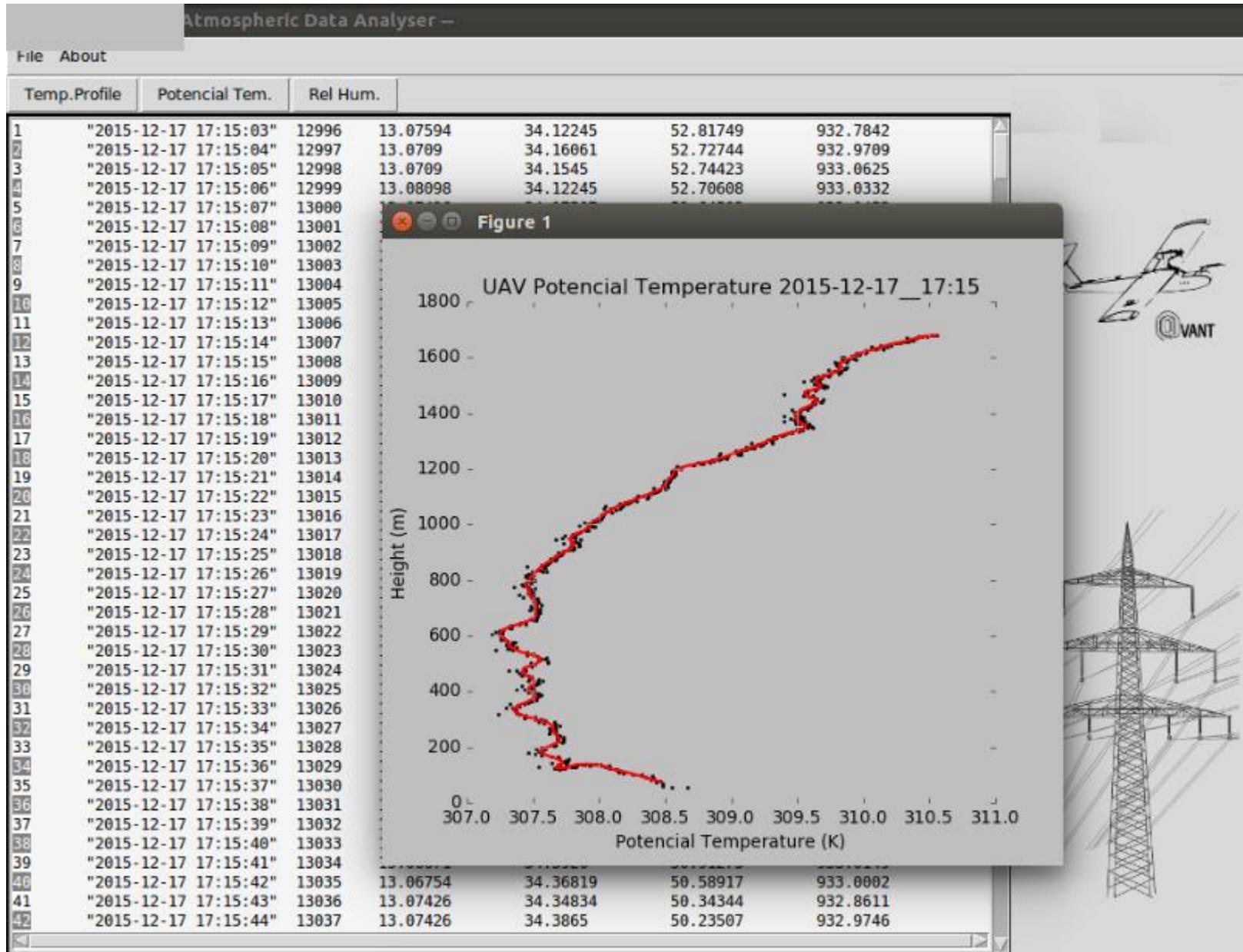


The Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) is equipped with temperature and pressure sensors, and pitot tube (wind measurement sensor).

As can be seeing in the graphics below, the atmosphere was a little unstable in lower altitudes as can be expected in a beautiful almost summer day .



Developed tool for UAV data analysis



Module 4: GOVERNANCE



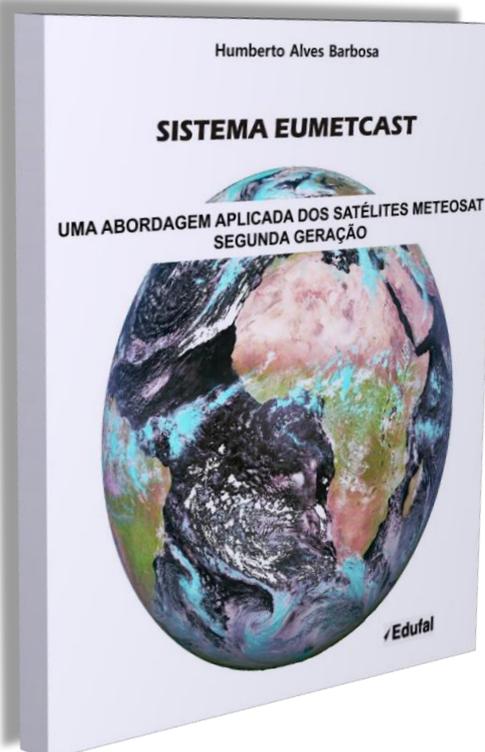
Definition of clear rules and norms sustaining the correct development of activities, cooperation between institutions, technical issues, etc...

- Meta-data
- Monitoring and reporting
- Cooperation agreements and working groups

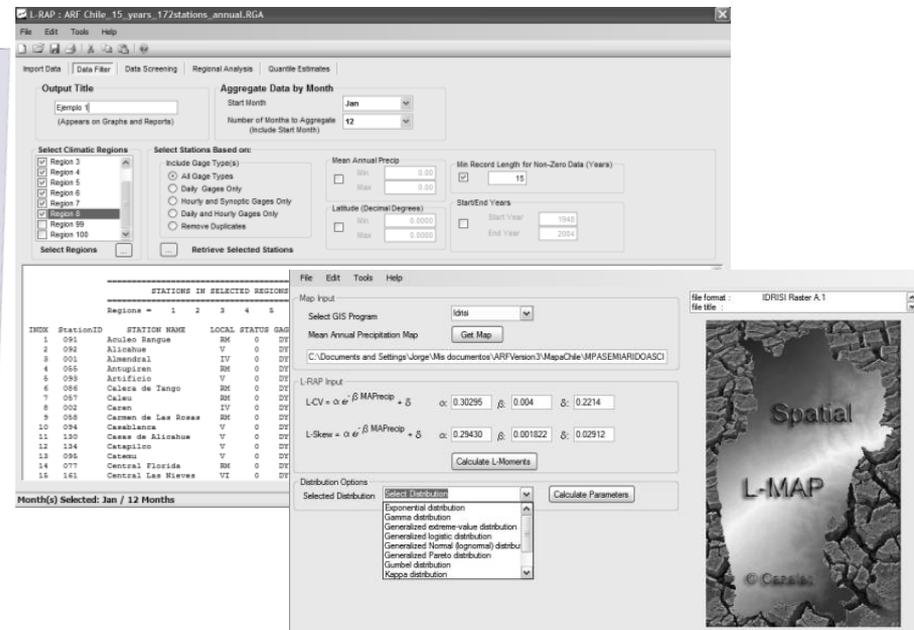
Universities and research institutes are key stakeholders in ensuring sustainability by continuing the development of a critical mass of experts who will be able to support the disaster risk assessment at local level.

Products developed

Books



Software



Workshops



Scientific papers

Nat Hazards
DOI 10.1007/s11069-015-1635-8

ORIGINAL PAPER

Recent trends in vegetation dynamics in the South America and their relationship to rainfall

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Summary

The joint initiative between the EUMETSAT and the LAPIS/UFAL. Three characteristics of the SAGEO appear to be contributing to its success, which are:

- (1) to bring together the EUMETCast network operators to identify areas for regional cooperation;
- (2) to provide a technical and scientific exchange in environmental and atmospheric sciences between various Brazilian research institutes, while they broaden the knowledge about their applications;
- 3) tools used are freeware and are at disposal of the group;
- 4) Strong interest and commitments from universities and others institutions with weather, climate a/o natural resources monitoring mission;
- 5) Increasing interest by national operational authorities e.g. National Met Services, Gvt. agencies, NGO's;
- 6) Joint ventures of European with Brazilian and other research partners are increasing.

Thank you for your attention

