## GPM Intersatellite Calibration ("X-CAL") Status

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#### GPM Intersatellite Working Group (aka X-CAL)

Make Radiances from Constellation Radiometers Physically Consistent Differences of Frequencies/Incidence Angles

Clean Up Other Problems (Pre-Screening)

Variety of Methods To Generate Two Point Recalibrations
Unified set of Deltas

$$Tb_{new} = A*T_{bold} + B$$

Could Be More Complex Where Necessary.
Sometimes Simpler

Currently Have Consensus Calibration based on Windsat and TMI Use TMI as Transfer Standard. (CC\_1.1) (75% Windsat—25% TMI) Published in Proceedings of IGARSS 2011

#### Models

No model is absolute truth. (Love/Hate Relationship)

Atmosphere: Rosenkranz Ocean Surface: Elsaesser

Use Double Differences to Minimize Sensitivity to Model Choices However: Some Algorithms (i.e. TAMU, CSU) Tune to Models to Some Degree

If we use Goodness-of-Fit Metrics to Evaluate How Well We're Doing TMI CC\_1.1 Works Better Than Uncorrected Windsat WS CC\_1.1 Works WORSE Than Uncorrected Windsat

We're Wrestling with Tuning Issue

Have made Progress on Understanding

# From Steve Bilanow's Presentation at March 2011 X-CAL meeting TMI Pointing Uncertainty Effects

• "Prelaunch measure of TMI 10 V and 10H boresight alignment offsets from a 49 degrees scan cone were reported at 0.555 and 0.185 degrees respectively."

Memorandum from Jim Shiue, 12/11/97"

When you do the trigonometry, this translates to *increases* of the Earth Incidence Angle for the two 10.7 GHz channels of 0.649° and 0.216°. (OK, a few too many significant figures)

Is it real? (Yes)

Does it matter? (Some and it Depends)

Recalibration Will Paper Over this Sort of Problem to Some Degree

See Wilheit poster for details

#### TMI CC\_1.2

We have CC\_1.1 to work with now, can take necessary time for CC\_1.2

More Rigorous/Defensible

Error Model-Based Weights for Unified Deltas

More Consistent Data Handling

Include 10 GHz Angle Issue

Investigate Use of Other Radiative Transfer Models (e.g. CRTM)

Investigate updated Windsat Data Version

#### Other Imaging Radiometers

#### **AMSR-E**

Have a working set of Deltas relative to TMI CC\_1.1
Offset only @ 89 GHz
23H incomplete

SSM/I (F13, 14 &15)(Beta Product from CSU)

Prescreening shows Many Wild Points

Refined Geolocation/Incidence Angles

Beta Intercalibration Referenced to F13

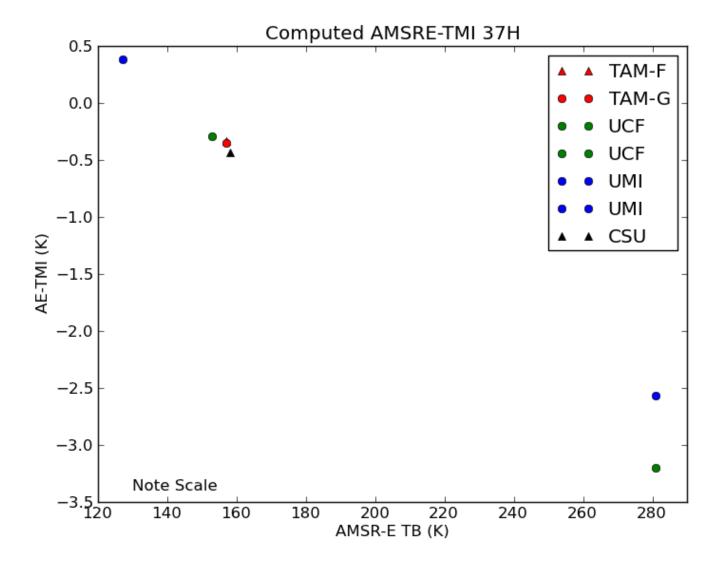
**Moving Target** 

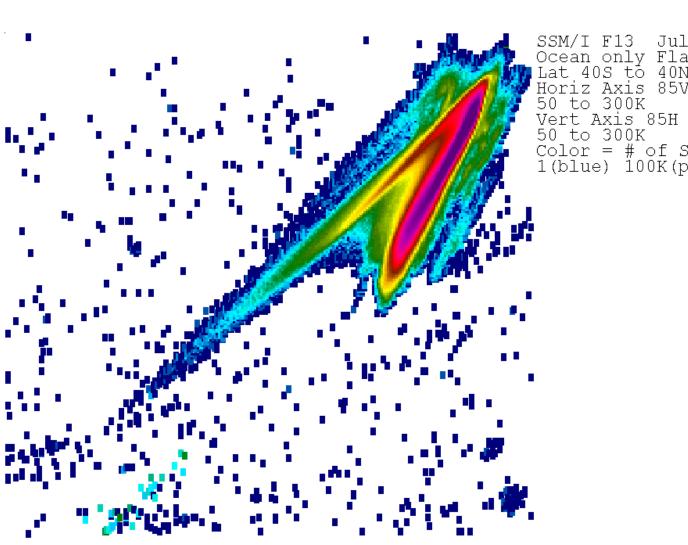
**SSMIS** 

Awaiting FCDR from CSU

**Future** 

Anxiously awaiting data from Megha-Tropiques, GCOM-W, NPP (FY & Aquarius ?)





SSM/I F13 July 2005 Ocean only Flag = 5 Lat 40S to 40N Horiz Axis 85V 50 to 300K Vert Axis 85H 50 to 300K Color = # of Samples 1(blue) 100K(purple)

#### Water Vapor Sounders

Peter Bauer supplied data set from ECMWF Interim Analysis
Observations, Corrections, Computed Tbs from Analysis and Forecast
Intercomparisons of Operational Water Vapor Sounders Looked Quite
Consistent
NOAA 15 was a mess.

Jim Wang Used DOE/ARM Data for Forward Calculations Bulk Comparisons Differed from ECMWF NOAA 15 Not So Bad

Detailed Comparisons showed Observations weren't the Same Different Data Versions

Versions May be More than a Nuisance Issue.

#### Water Vapor Sounders Continued

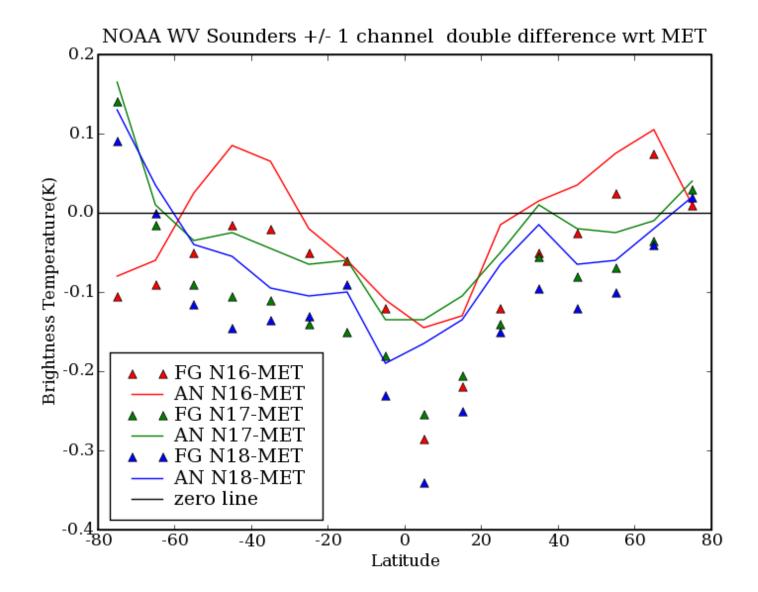
Megha-Tropiques has a water vapor sounder and low inclination orbit (a lot like GPM-Core)

We have methods in hand:

High Quality Ground truth (ARM Sites) Forecast Analysis Based

Will also use results from 4DVAR where we can.

New Idea from Yesterday: GPS Occultation



## X-CAL /GSICS Cooperation (Presented at GSICS Workshop, Olso, Sept. 2011)

#### X-CAL Will Share Data, Models, Documentation, Results

Level 1-C Recalibrated Product Publically Available
Earlier Steps may have Externally Applied Restrictions
Will Answer Reasonable Level of Questions
Will Assist in Data Transfer (e.g. Take a Hard Drive to a Meeting)

We each can reduce our efforts in any area where it appears the other's effort will serve our purposes.

**GSICS** seemed agreeable

### Spare Slides

#### **Consensus Calibration**

Warm End Variance TMI a little more than twice as large as WS (K\*\*2) Cold End Variance TMI a little more than three times as large as WS

Keep the numbers simple and round Windsat Gets 3 times the weight of TMI (i.e. 75%WS/25%TMI)

Consensus Calibration 1.1

75% of Unified Deltas

TMI_CC_	_1.1						
	10V	10H	19V	19H	21V	37V	37H
	0.23K	-1.25	-0.46	-2.40	-1.42	-2.43	-1.81
@	163K	85	188	109	200	206	135
	-0.57K	-0.69	-0.90	-1.07	-2.53	-2.38	2.37
@	281K	280	285	284	284	281	281

Negative #'s indicate TMI cold relative to Windsat Published in proceedings of IGARSS 2100

