

A satellite with large solar panels is shown in orbit above the Earth. The satellite is dark blue and black, with several large, rectangular solar panels extending from its body. The Earth's surface is visible below, showing clouds and landmasses. The background is a dark space filled with stars.

AMV reprocessing activity for JRA-3Q at MSC/JMA

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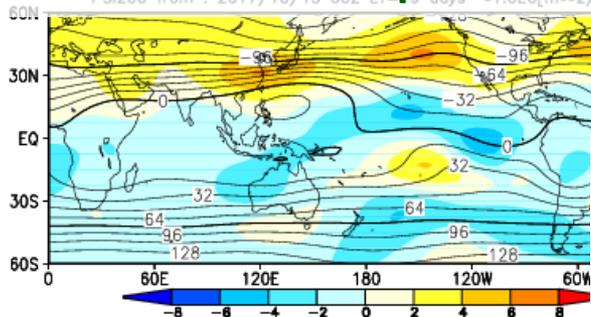
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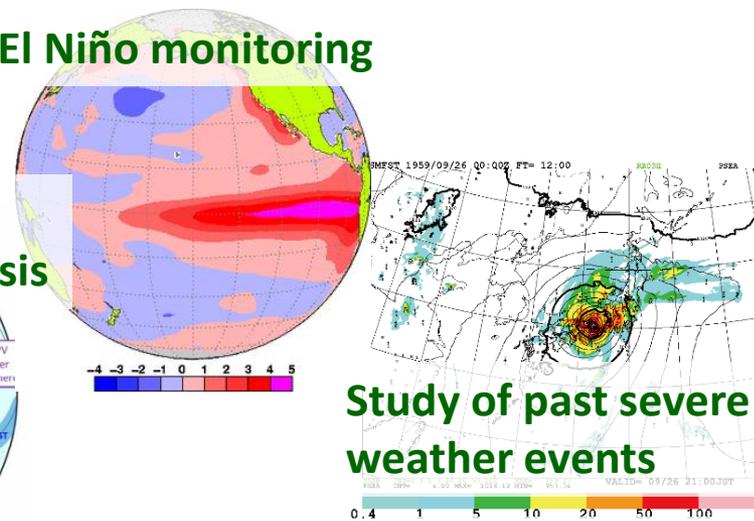
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Long-term Reanalysis

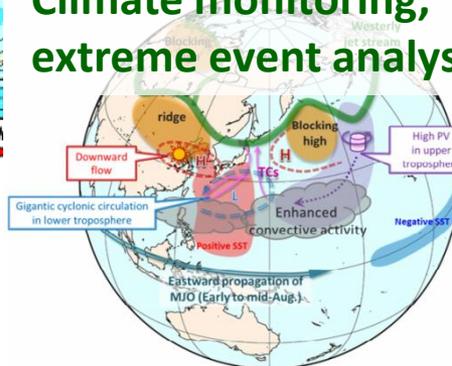
Seasonal ensemble prediction system



El Niño monitoring



Climate monitoring, extreme event analysis



Study of past severe weather events

and many others

Climate related issues demand for **long-term homogeneous and high-quality datasets** to quantitatively assess past and current climates.

(For examples of climate related issues)

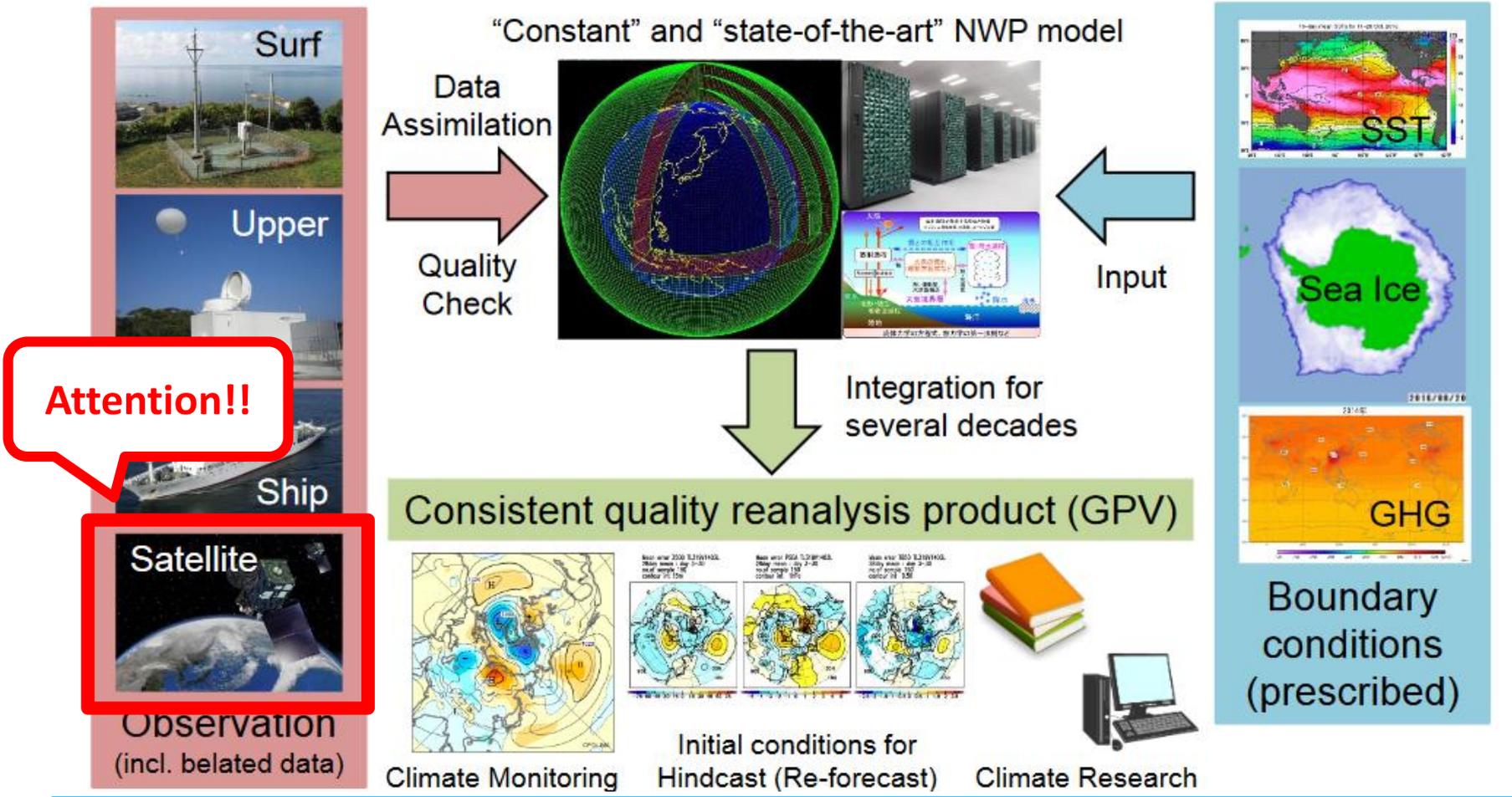
Climate research and seasonal forecasts, extreme weather analysis, climate monitoring, and so on...

Existing analysis products are not homogeneous due to improvements of assimilation systems and algorithms for deriving physical quantities from satellite data.



Long-term re-analysis required !!

Long-term Reanalysis

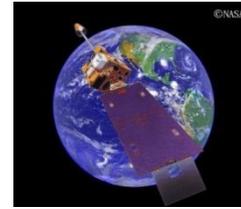


Reanalysis : Analysis of the past atmospheric conditions using a constant, state-of-the-art NWP model and data assimilation system with **the latest observation** to produce a high-quality, spatially and temporally consistent dataset.

Importance of reprocessing for long-term reanalysis



GMS (Geostationalary Meteorological Satellite)
nicknamed "Himawari"



GOES-9



Himawari-8 Himawari-9

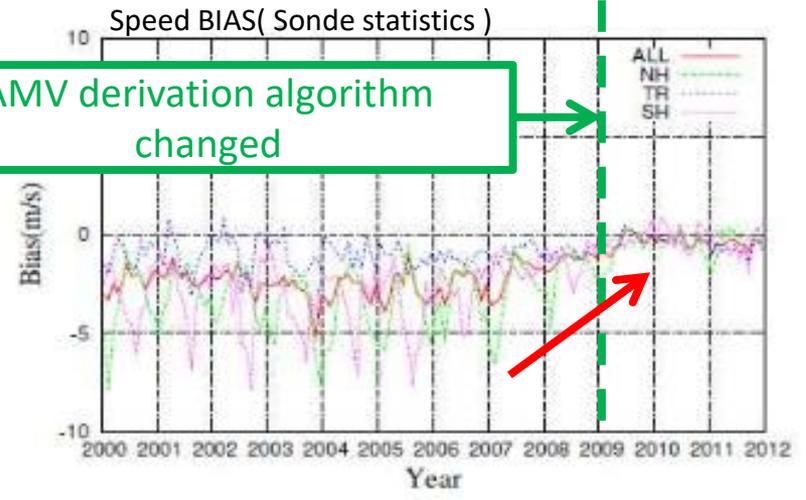
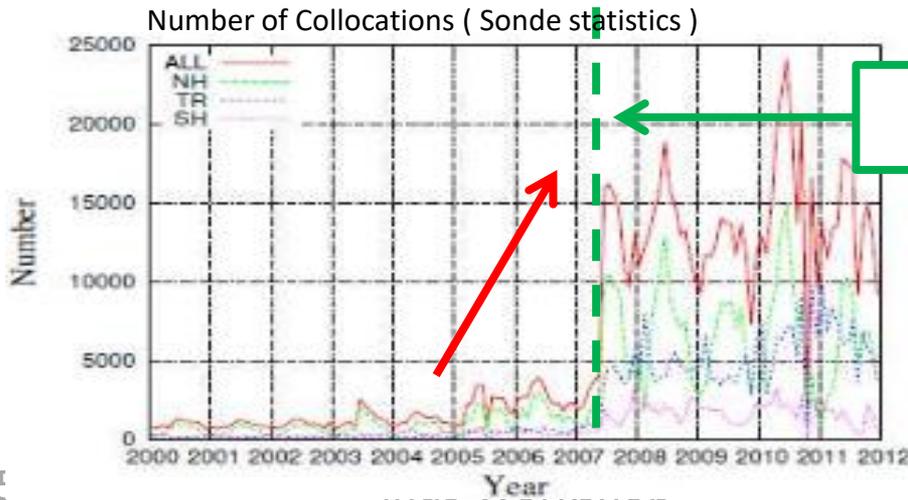
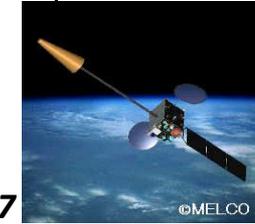


GMS-2 GMS-3 GMS-4 GMS-5
Himawari-2 Himawari-3 Himawari-4 Himawari-5



MTSAT-1R
Himawari-6

MTSAT-2
Himawari-7



AMV derivation algorithm changed

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The long-term re-analysis projects of JMA

- **1st JRA-25**

- By JMA and CRIEPI* (1979 to 2004, 26 years)

- * Central Research Institute fore Electric Power Industry

- Near real-time extension using the same system (JCDAS) was conducted by JMA and terminated in February 2014

- **2nd JRA-55**

- By JMA (1958 to 2012, 55 years)

- Near-real-time extension from 2013 to present

- **3rd JRA-3Q**

- Next project (currently conducting)

The Japanese Reanalysis for

Three Quarters of a Century



JRA Go! Go!



In Japanese,
“5” is pronounced
as “Go”.

“3” is pronounced as “San”.
3Q is called “San-kyu”
-> “Thank you”

Overview of JRA-3Q

- **Reanalysis period: 1947 to present**
- **Provisional specifications**
 - Resolution: 55 km, 60 layers (JRA-55) -> **40 km, 100 layers (JRA-3Q)**
 - Incorporating many improvements from the operational NWP system
 - Overall upgrade of physical processes
 - New types of observation (ground-based GNSS, hyperspectral sounders)
 - Improved SST
 - COBE-SST2 (1-deg, up to 1985) & MGDSST (0.25 deg, from 1985 onward)
 - Improved observations
 - Observations newly rescued and digitised by ERA-CLIM and other projects
 - **Improved satellite observations through reprocessing**
 - JMA's own tropical cyclone bogus data
- **Production schedule**
 - Q3 2019: start production
 - **Q2 2021: complete production for the 1991 – 2020 normal period**
 - Q1 2022: complete production for the whole period

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The algorithm used AMV reprocessing

IR/WV bands for Height Assignment of AMV

AMV reprocessing for JRA-3Q using the latest algorithm for Himawari-8

Bands of the Advanced Himawari Imager (AHI) to be carried by Himawari-8/9		
Band Number	Central Wavelength (μm)	Spatial Resolution (km)
1	0.43-0.48	1
2	0.50-0.52	1
3	0.63-0.66	0.5
4	0.85-0.87	1
5	1.60-1.62	2
6	2.25-2.27	2
7	3.74-3.96	2
8	6.06-6.43	2
9	6.89-7.01	2
10	7.26-7.43	2
11	8.44-8.76	2
12	9.54-9.72	2
13	10.3-10.6	2
14	11.1-11.3	2
15	12.2-12.5	2
16	13.2-13.4	2

6 IR/WV bands are simultaneously used in Himawari-8 algorithm

Target Satellites of reprocessing for JRA-3Q
 MTSAT-2 (2010-2015)
 MTSAT-1R (2005-2010)
 GOES-9 (2003-2005)
 GMS-5 (1995-2003)

Have water vapor images

WV bands:
Including upper level information

Window bands: All level information

CO2 band: upper and middle level information

Confirmation of quality of the reprocessed AMV

Period : January 2008 (MTSAT-1R)

Band : IR (10.3 – 11.3 μm)

Sonde statistics (against Sonde observation value)

O-B statistics (against JRA-55 analysis fields)

➤ **Operational** : AMV created by the operational algorithms

➤ **JRA-55** : AMV created for JRA-55 project

Upgraded from **operational**

- The height assignment schemes for IR and WV AMV are changed
- Resizing target box
- Expansion of AMV derivation region

➤ **JRA-3Q** : AMV created by the latest algorithm

Upgraded from **JRA-55**

- Target selection processing is designed to avoid correlated AMV errors.
- Averaging of similarity surfaces is utilized for noise reduction in the tracking process.
- The height assignment method uses maximum likelihood estimation.

Sonde statistics (Statistics values)

MTSAT-1R (January 2008), Upper Layer (< 400hPa), without forecast QI (>85)

Wind speed bias (m/s)

Operational

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	-1.67	-3.32	-0.12	-1.66
Middle	-2.55	-2.84	0.47	0.32
Low	1.51	1.74	1.44	1.10

JRA-55

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	-0.64	-1.22	-0.28	-0.73
Middle	-1.88	-2.15	-0.26	0.49
Low	1.28	1.06	1.52	1.07

JRA-3Q

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	-0.03	-0.21	0.09	-0.29
Middle	0.20	-0.32	0.81	1.40
Low	0.88	0.22	1.78	0.34

Root mean square vector difference

Operational

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	8.59	10.48	6.62	7.03
Middle	12.38	12.74	6.76	6.08
Low	7.29	8.01	6.44	4.89

JRA-55

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	7.74	9.49	6.47	7.13
Middle	10.50	10.88	5.58	6.41
Low	8.23	7.80	8.28	5.71

JRA-3Q

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	6.32	7.04	5.92	6.28
Middle	6.93	7.09	6.39	6.25
Low	5.07	5.02	5.03	4.49

NH: Northern Hemisphere (N60-N20), TR: Tropical (N20-S20), SH: Southern Hemisphere (S20-S60)

JRA-3Q: For wind speed biases, the negative bias in the upper and middle layers of the northern hemisphere has improved, and Rmsvd has improved over the entire coverage.

Sonde statistics (Vertical distribution)

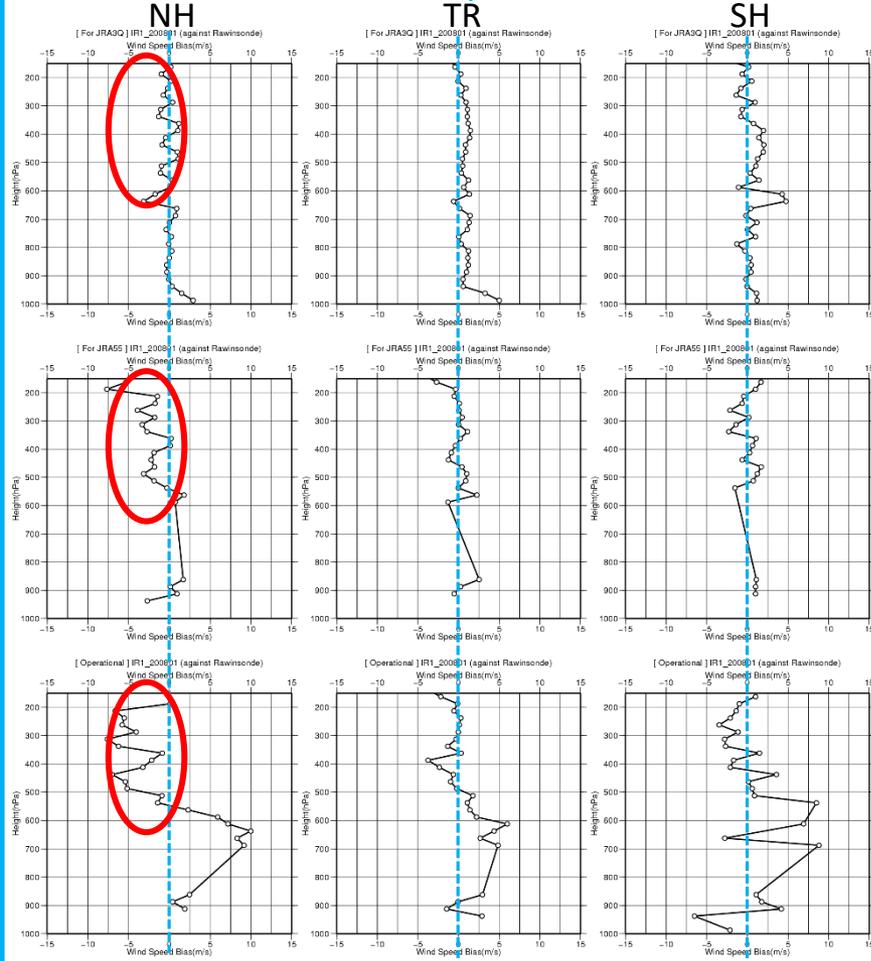
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JRA-3Q

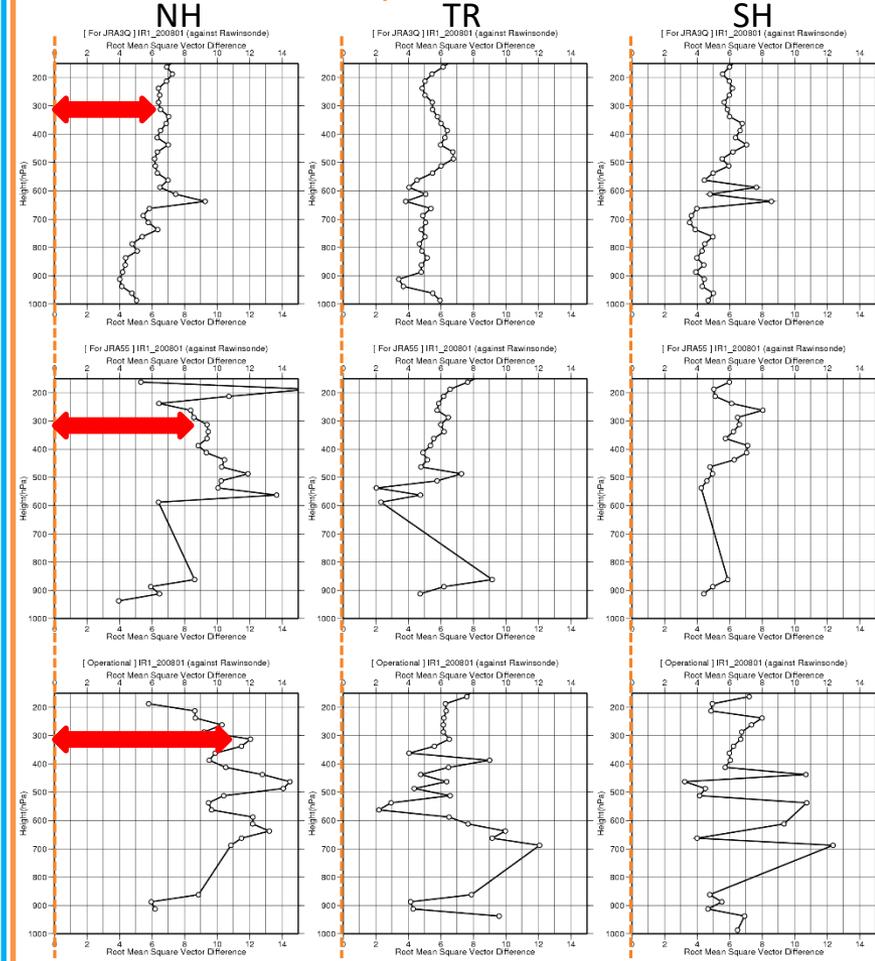
JRA-55

Operational

Wind speed bias



Root mean square vector difference



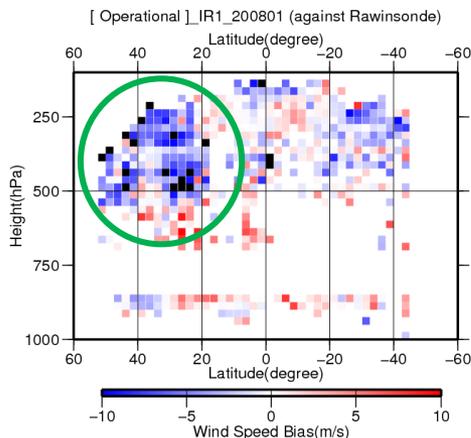
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Sonde statistics (Altitude distribution of zonal mean)

MTSAT-1R (January 2008), Upper Layer (< 400hPa), without forecast QI (>85)

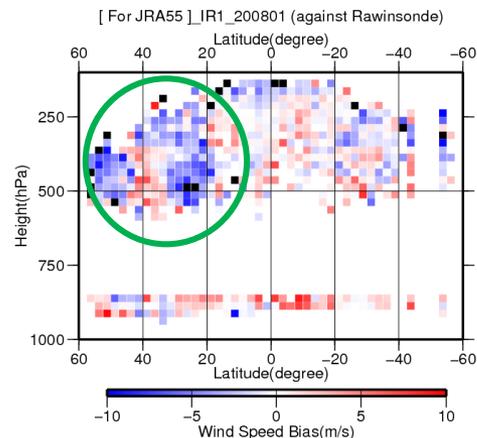
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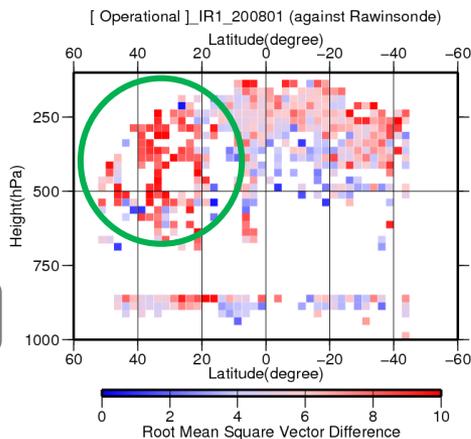
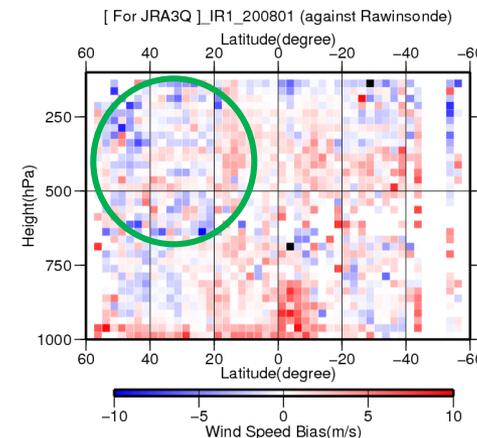
Wind speed bias

White is better

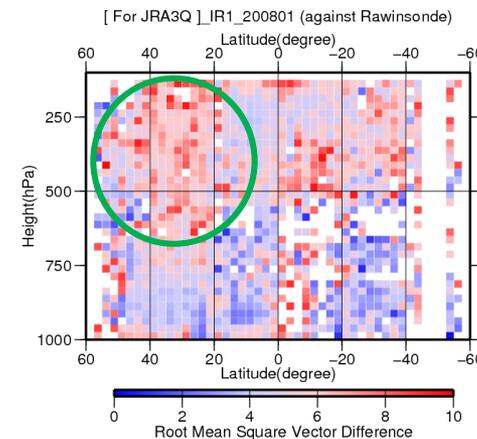
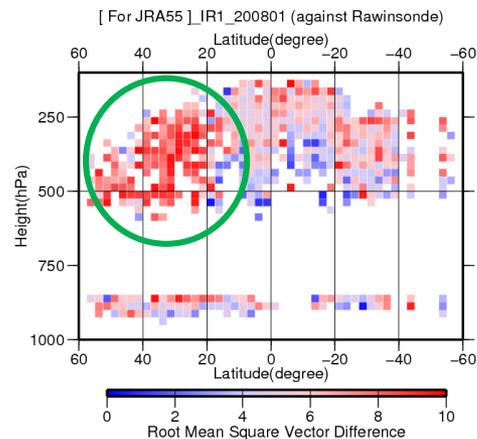
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JRA-3Q



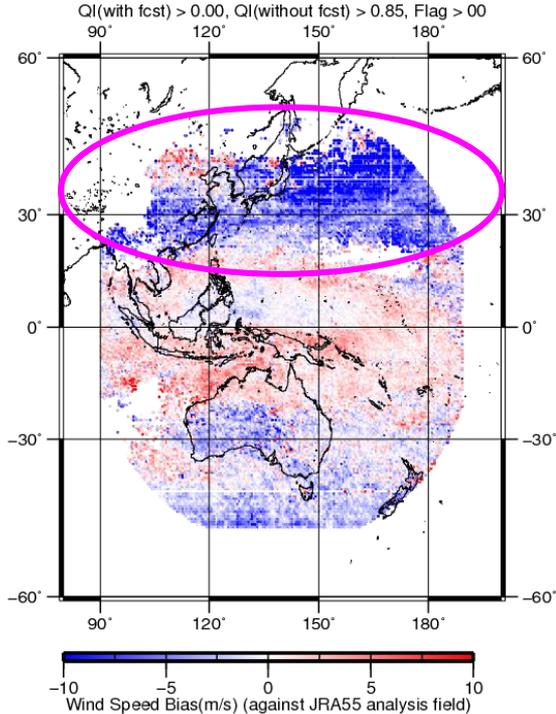
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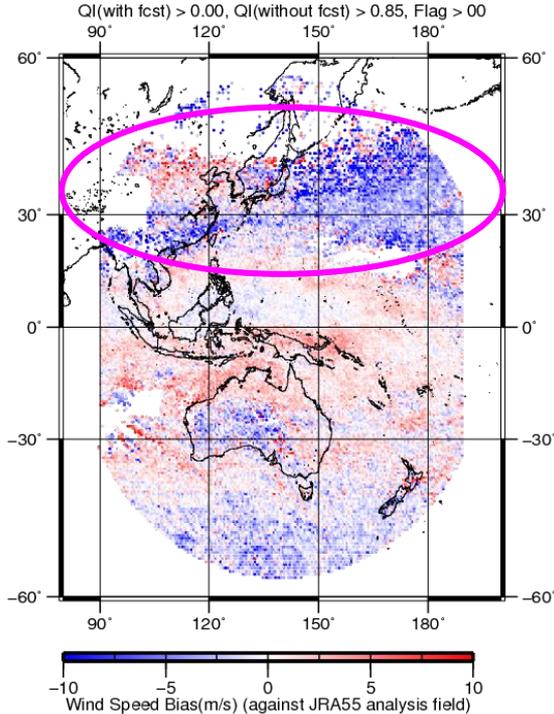
JRA-3Q: Coverage is wider than the others. Both wind speed bias and rmsvd are smaller than the others, and, it can be seen that the negative bias for wind speed in the upper layer on the northern hemisphere has improved.

O-B statistics (Wind Speed Bias)

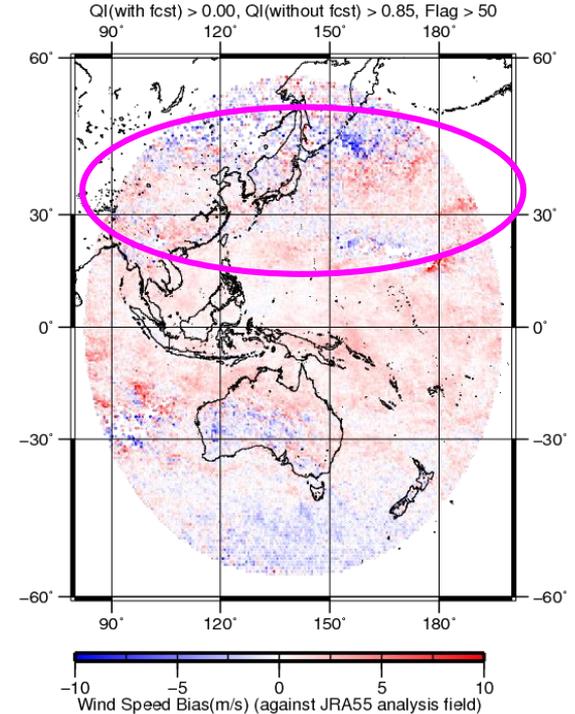
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Operational (m/s)



JRA-55 (m/s)



JRA-3Q (m/s)

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	-0.91	-5.19	0.80	-1.28
Middle	-0.92	-3.50	2.18	3.27
Low	1.12	1.13	0.88	1.49

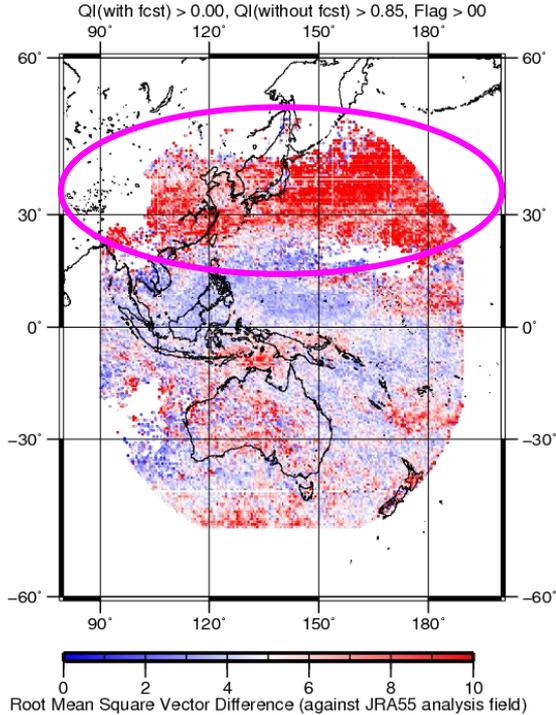
	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	-0.15	-2.50	0.67	-0.42
Middle	-1.31	-2.84	1.26	-0.06
Low	0.84	0.77	0.76	0.99

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	0.72	0.69	0.85	0.20
Middle	1.41	0.39	2.26	1.16
Low	0.40	0.48	0.49	0.18

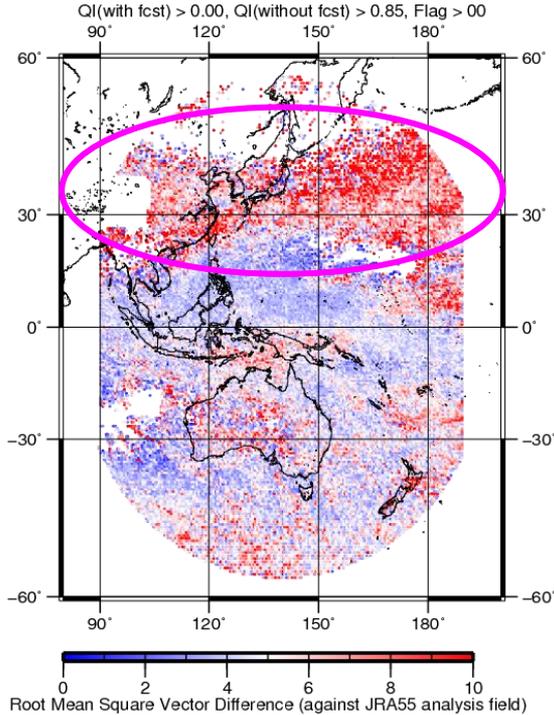
JRA-3Q: Coverage is **wider** than the others and wind speed bias is **spatially uniform** over the entire coverage, especially, the negative bias near a jet stream in the northern hemisphere has **changed to positive** significantly.

O-B statistics (Root Mean Square Vector Difference)

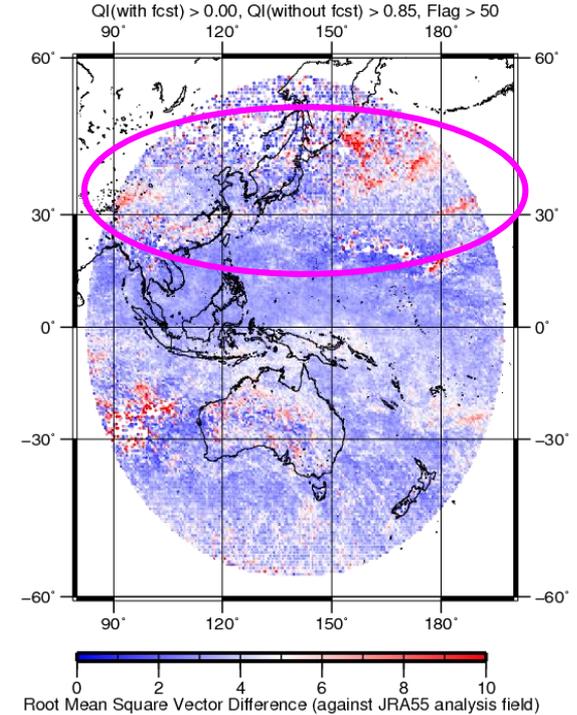
MTSAT-1R (January 2008), Upper Layer (< 400hPa), without forecast QI (>85)



Operational



JRA-55



JRA-3Q

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	7.65	11.91	5.53	6.61
Middle	11.69	12.95	7.18	9.77
Low	6.15	5.48	6.86	4.84

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	6.47	9.28	5.41	6.24
Middle	8.85	10.65	5.89	6.68
Low	6.08	5.13	7.48	4.62

	ALL	NH	TROP	SH
Upper	4.33	4.73	4.22	4.45
Middle	5.67	4.98	6.20	5.23
Low	2.79	2.87	2.77	2.67

JRA-3Q: Coverage is wider than the others and root mean square vector difference is spatially uniform and close 0 over the entire coverage, especially, the errors near a jet stream in the northern hemisphere has improved significantly.

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The period of impact experiments

Name of satellite	AMVs for comparison	Winter experiment	Summer experiment
MTSAT-2	Operational AMVs	From 10 th Jan. 2012 to 11 th Mar.	From 10 th Jul. 2012 to 11 th Sep.
GOES-9	AMVs for JRA-55	Form 10 th Dec. 2003 to 11 th Feb. 2004	From 10 th Jul. 2003 to 11 th Sep.
GMS-5	AMVs for JRA-55	Form 10 th Dec. 1999 to 11 th Feb. 2000	From 10 th Jul. 1999 to 11 th Sep.

To decide whether to use reprocessed AMVs for JRA-3Q, JRA team conducted impact experiments on each satellite for above periods.

Next

Introduction of the winter experiment for reprocessed MTSAT AMVs
(as an example of all experiments)

* Meaning of CNTL and TEST appearing from next slide

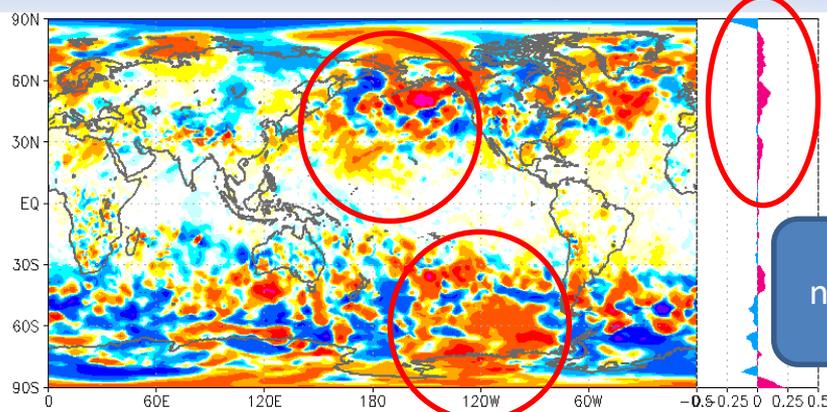
CNTL: the data using the operational AMBs

TEST: the data using the reprocessed AMVs for JRA-3Q

The difference of RMS errors for three days forecast (CNTL-TEST) of the winter experiment for MTSAT-2

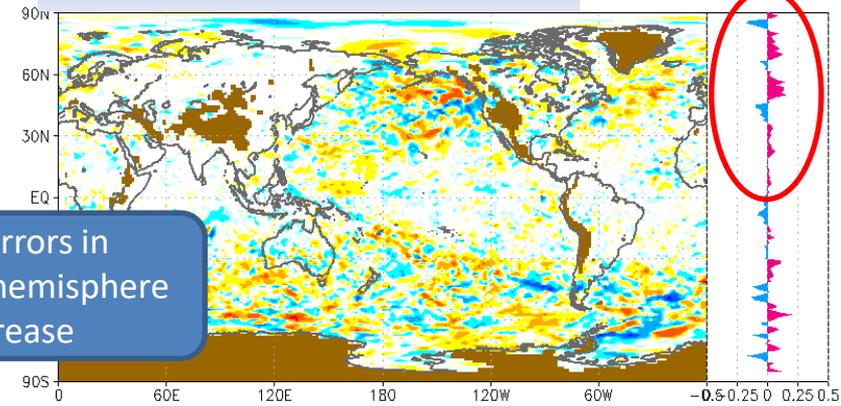
The forecast error decreases not only zonal wind, but also mean-sea-level barometric pressure and height, especially in the northern hemisphere, there are big improvements.

Mean-sea-level barometric pressure (hPa)



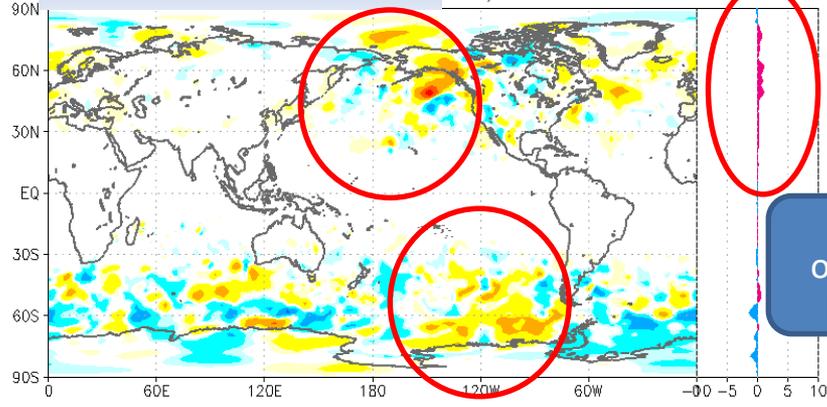
RMS errors in northern hemisphere decrease

850hPa zonal wind (m/s)



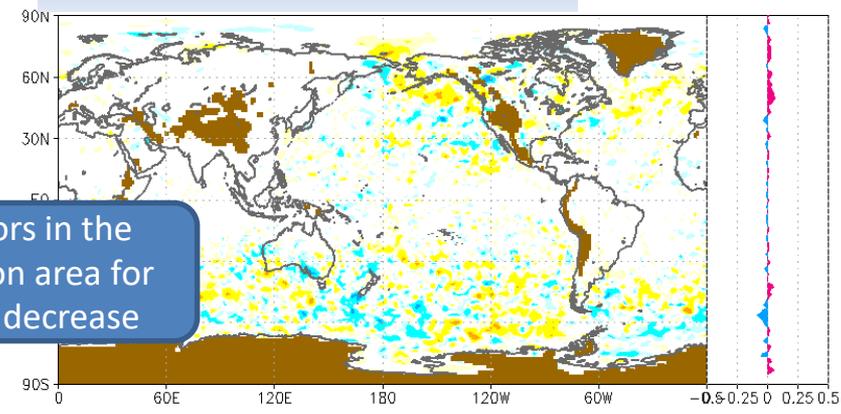
worsen ← → improve

500hPa height (m) $\frac{sAMV(vs\ gsm)}{T+072}$ (202)



RMS errors in the observation area for MTSAT-2 decrease

850hPa Temperature (K)



worsen ← → improve

These are differences of three days forecast RMS errors. * CNTL: operational AMVs, TEST: reprocessed AMVs for JRA-3Q
The left figure shows the difference of RMS errors (CNTL-TEST), the right one shows the zonal mean.

Summary of impact experimental results

MTSAT (against operational AMVs)

- Number of assimilation usage increases below 950hPa.
- FG departure decrease above 500hPa.

Winter experiment

- A jet stream speed increase in mid latitudes of northern hemisphere.
- The forecast error decreases not only zonal wind, but also mean-sea-level barometric pressure and height, especially in the northern hemisphere.
- The forecast error decreases in Japanese area which is the observation

GOES-9 (against JRA-55 analysis fields)

- Number of assimilation usage increases below 950hPa, but slightly decreases above 850hPa.
- FG departure decrease.

Winter experiment

- The forecast error decreases not only zonal wind, but also mean-sea-level barometric pressure and height in the southern hemisphere.

GMS-5 (against JRA-55 analysis fields)

- Number of assimilation usage increases below 950hPa, but slightly decreases above 850hPa.
- FG departure decrease.

Winter experiment

- The forecast error decreases not only zonal wind, but also mean-sea-level barometric pressure and height in the northern hemisphere.
- The forecast error decreases in Japanese area which is the observation

Common to all experiments

Summer experiment - Mostly neutral

JRA team is currently conducting JRA-3Q using the reprocessed AMVs for JRA-3Q !!

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- 4. Introduction of impact experiment results using reprocessed AMVs as input data**

In the winter experiment using each reprocessed AMV, JRA team confirmed that the forecast errors decreased, and they are currently conducting JRA-3Q using the reprocessed AMVs for JRA-3Q.

Thank you for your time!!



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Element of the statistics

RMSVD : Root mean square vector difference

$$RMSVD = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i,r=1}^N [(u_i - u_r)^2 + (v_i - v_r)^2]}$$

BIAS : Wind speed bias

$$BIAS = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i,r=1}^N [\sqrt{u_i^2 + v_i^2} - \sqrt{u_r^2 + v_r^2}]$$

X_i : AMV element, X_r : Model element

O-B statistics (Altitude distribution)

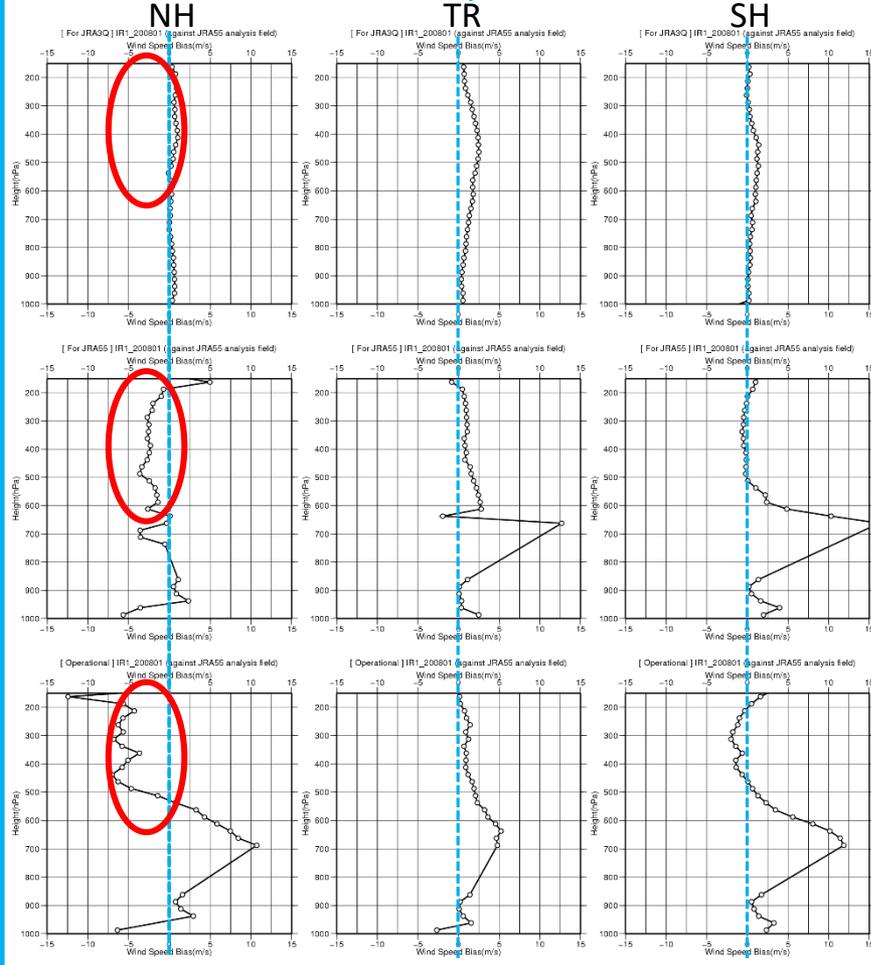
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JRA-3Q

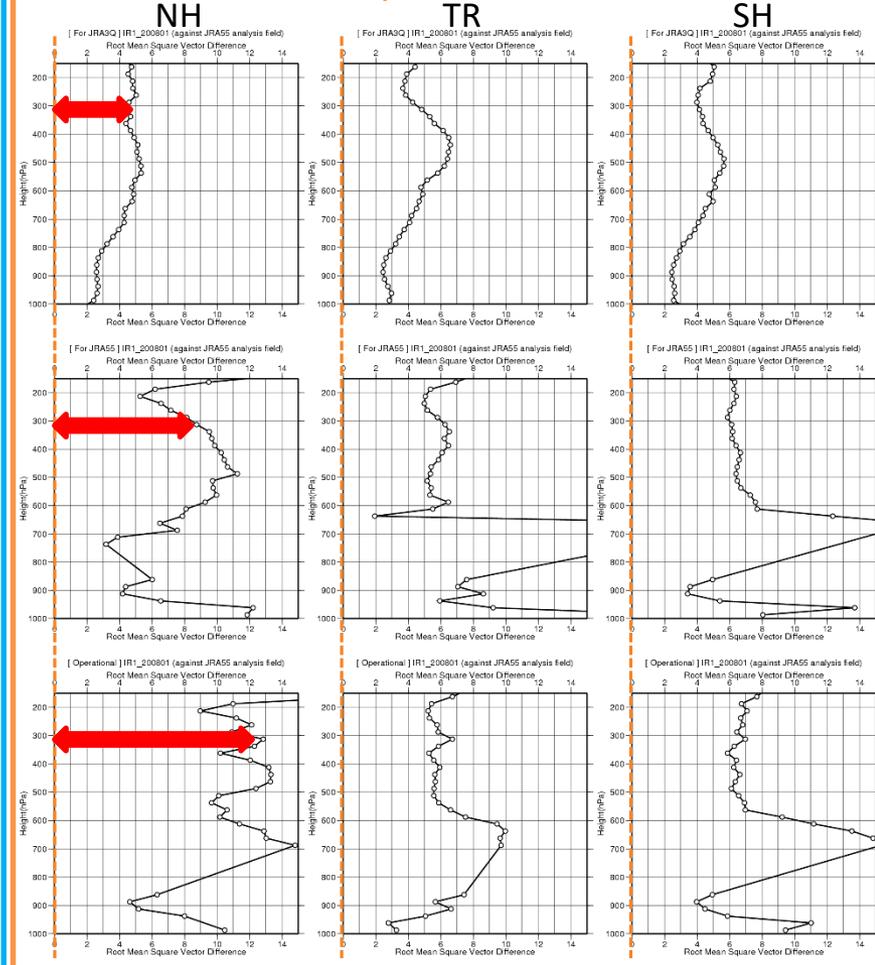
JRA-55

Operational

Wind speed bias



Root mean square vector difference



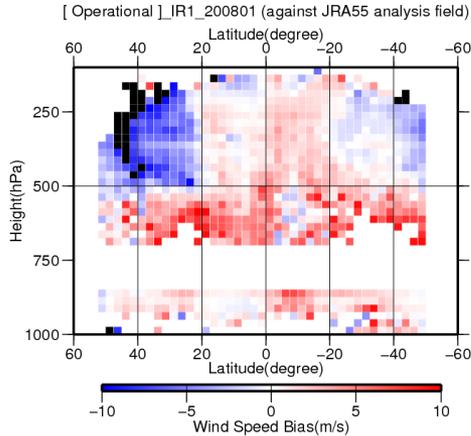
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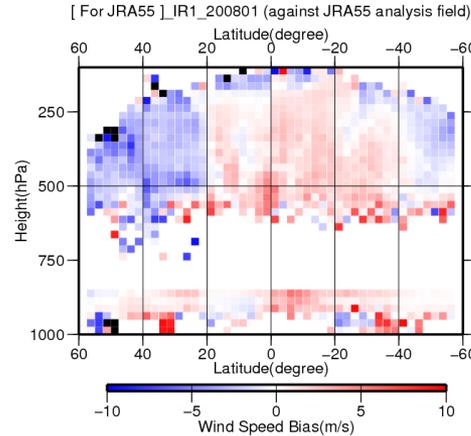
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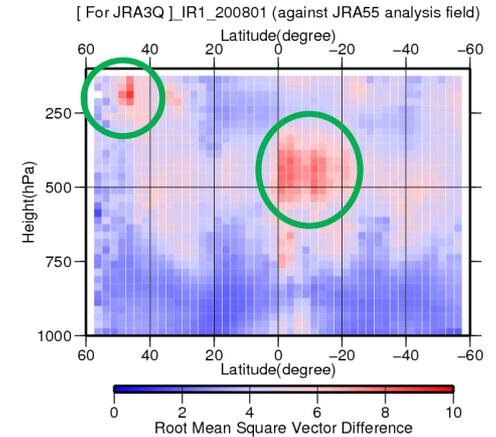
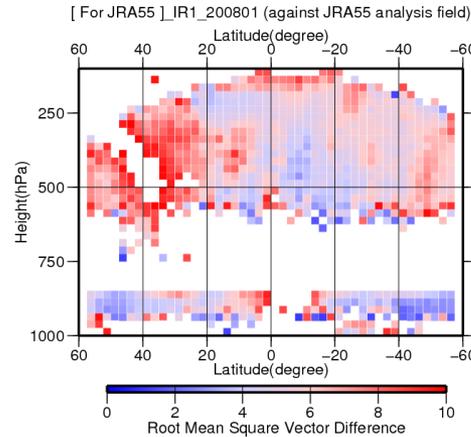
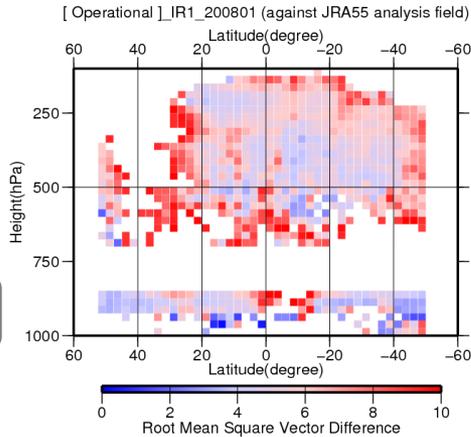
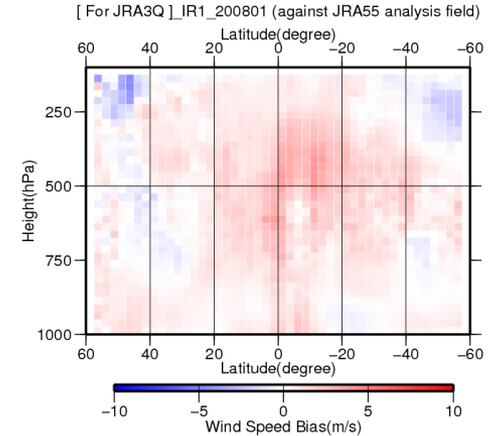
Wind speed bias

White is better

JRA-55



JRA-3Q



Root mean square vector difference

Blue is better

JRA-3Q: Coverage is wider than the others. Wind speed bias is spatially uniform over the entire coverage. Rmsvd has improved in a wide range, but it's large in the middle layer on the tropic and in the upper layer on the north pole.