



Committee on Earth Observation Satellites

Updated Status of CMA Satellite Programs

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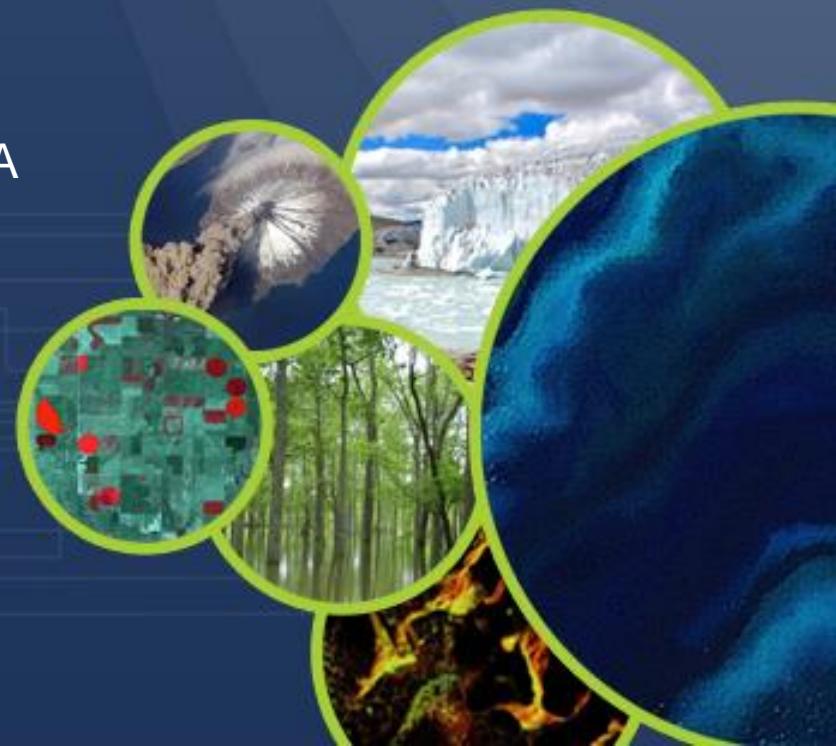
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Current Status



GEO Programs

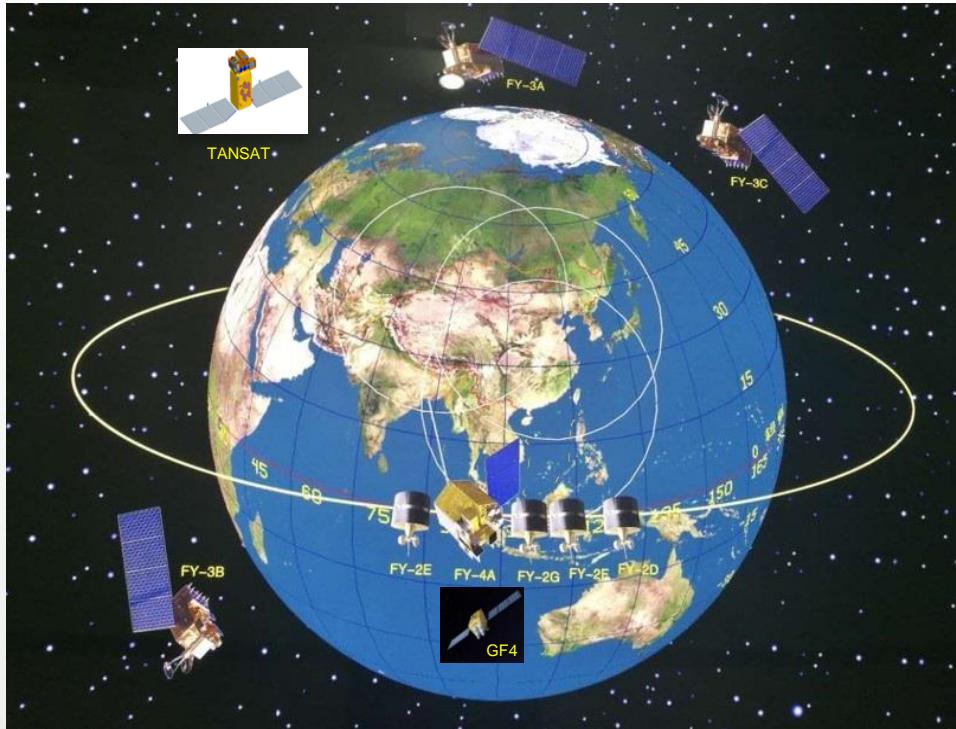
- FY-2D/E/F/G(op.)
- FY-4A(R&D), new generation!

LEO Programs

- FY-3A/B(R&D)
- FY-3C(op.), AM
- FY-3D(op.), PM, coming soon!

Others (cooperative missions)

- TANSAT(R&D), CO₂ & aerosol led by MOST
- GF-4 (R&D), High Spatial Res. Imaging In GEO led by CNSA

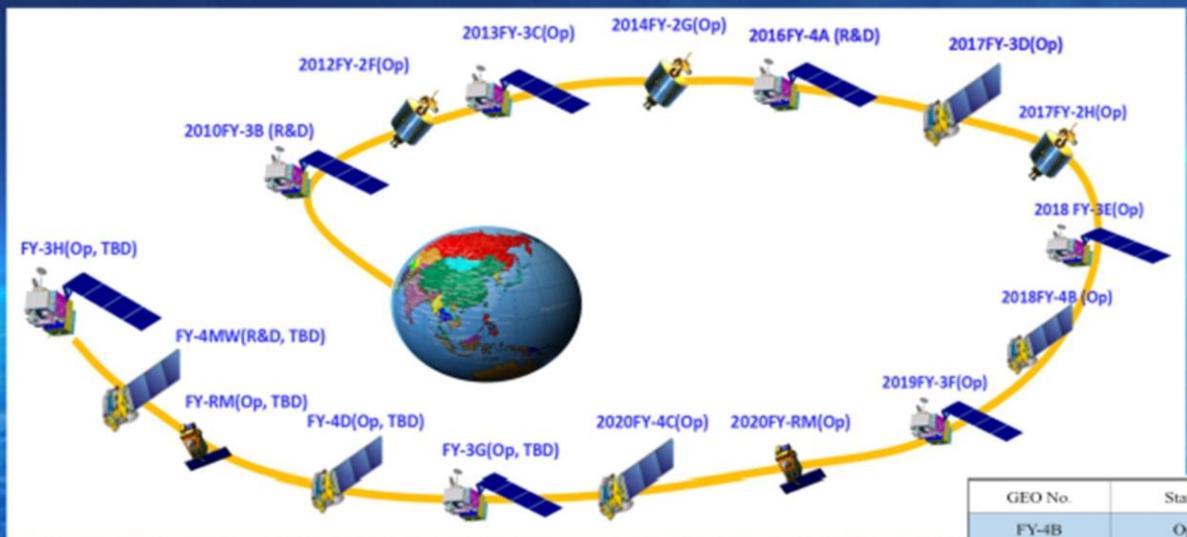


Future Satellite Programs



Future Plan: National Space Infrastructure Plan (NSIP)

In 2015, the Chinese government has approved an extensive plan called NSIP, which will cover a number of earth observation satellite series including atmosphere, land, and ocean satellites in period of 2015-2025.



GEO No.	Status	Launch
FY-4B	Op.	2018
FY-4C	Op.	2020
FY-4D	Op.	2021-2025 (TBD)
FY-4MW	R&D	2021-2025 (TBD)

Atmosphere Observation (12+2 satellites in coming decade)

- Climate & Environment Monitoring Satellite series: FY-3 low earth orbit series (7)
- Weather Monitoring Satellite series: FY-4 geostationary orbit series (5)
- Air Quality Monitoring Satellite series : New Series (2)

LEO No.	Orbit	Status	Launch
FY-3D	PM	Op. planned	2017
FY-3E	EM	Op. planned	2018
FY-3F	PM	Op., planned	2019
FY-RM	Inclined	R&D, Planned	2020
FY-3G	TBD	Op., planned	TBD
FY-3H	TBD	Op., planned	TBD



1. FY-4A

- The first GEO. meteorological satellite of new generation
- Launched on Dec.11, 2016

2. FY-3D

- The operational afternoon orbit LEO. satellite, will co-work with FY-3C in morning orbit.
- Launch date is scheduled in coming Nov. 2017!

3. TANSAT

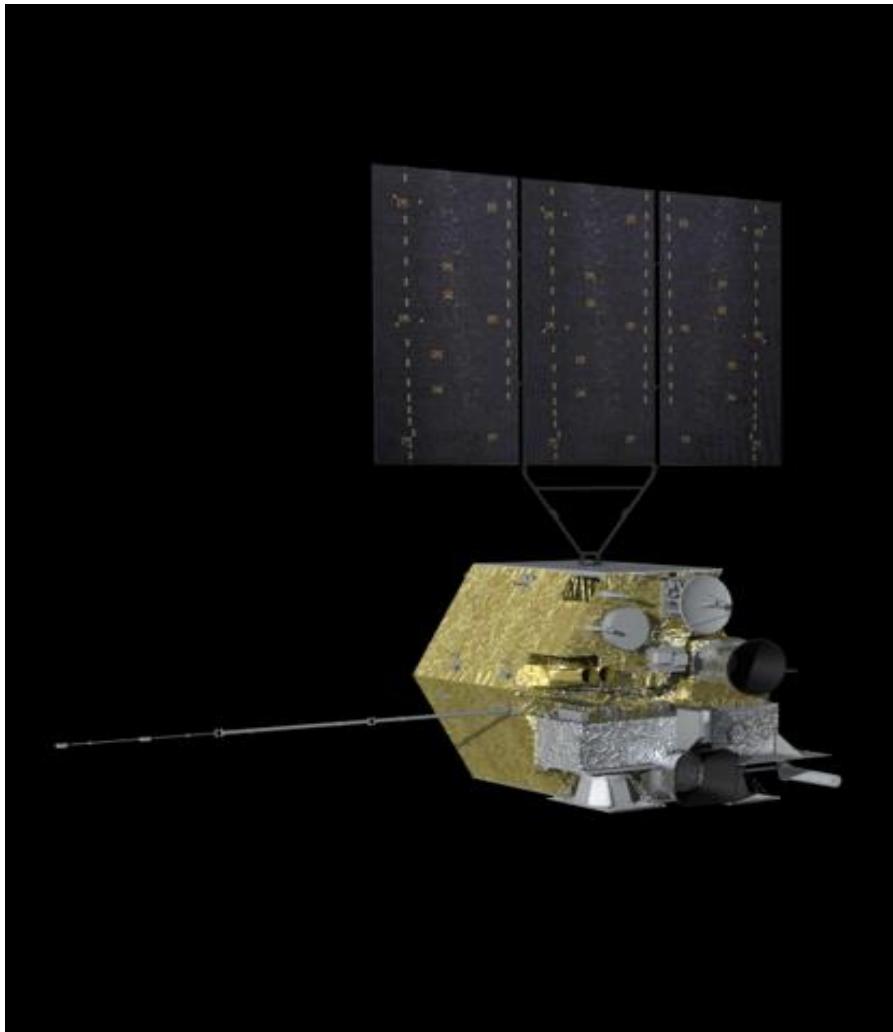
- A joint R&D satellite program initiated by MOST, and supported by CMA which is responsible for data reception, processing and distribution, taking advantage of current FY-3 ground segment resources.
- Launched successful On Dec.22, 2016

4. GF-4

- The 4th satellite in High res. Earth Obs. Satellite Project led by CNSA, while CMA is responsible for data reception, transmission and preprocessing of MET mode.
- Launched in Dec. 29,2015
- Commissioning test finished and handover declared on June 1st, 2016

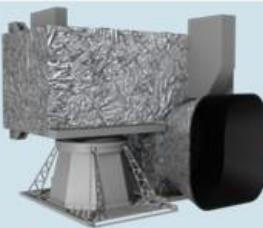
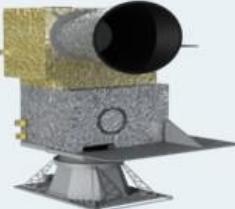
FY-4A: The First CMA New-generation Geostationary Meteorological Satellite

Launched on Dec.11,2016, Located at 105E , will be ready for operation soon!



4 brand-new instruments on board FY-4A



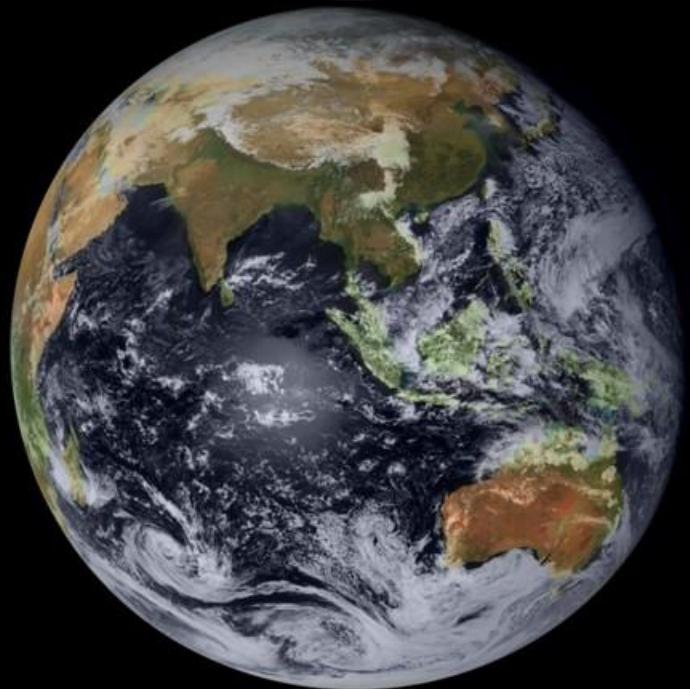
Instrument	Purposes
	AGRI: Advanced Geosynchronous Radiation Imager 14 -channel Earth images
	GIIRS : Geostationary Interferometric InfraRed Sounder Clear-sky atmospheric temperature and humidity profiles
	LMI : Lightning Mapping Imager Lightning distribution map in China area
	SEP: Space Environment Package Space electric and magnetic environment information

First image of AGRI



FY-4A GEOSTATIONARY METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITE

The First Colour Composite Image of FY-4A AGRI

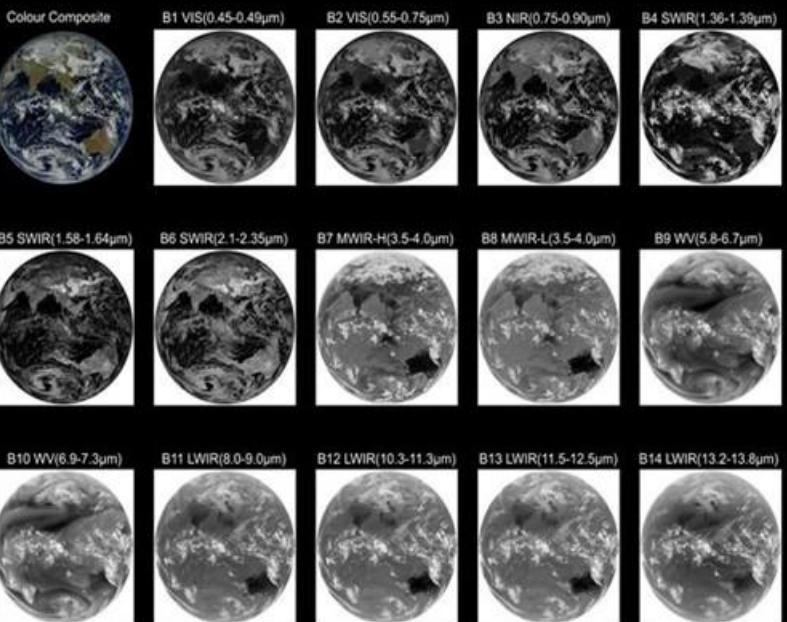


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FY-4A GEOSTATIONARY METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITE

The First Images of FY-4A AGRI

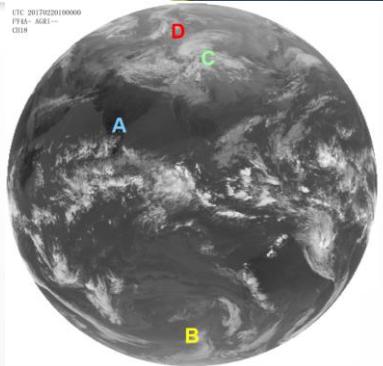


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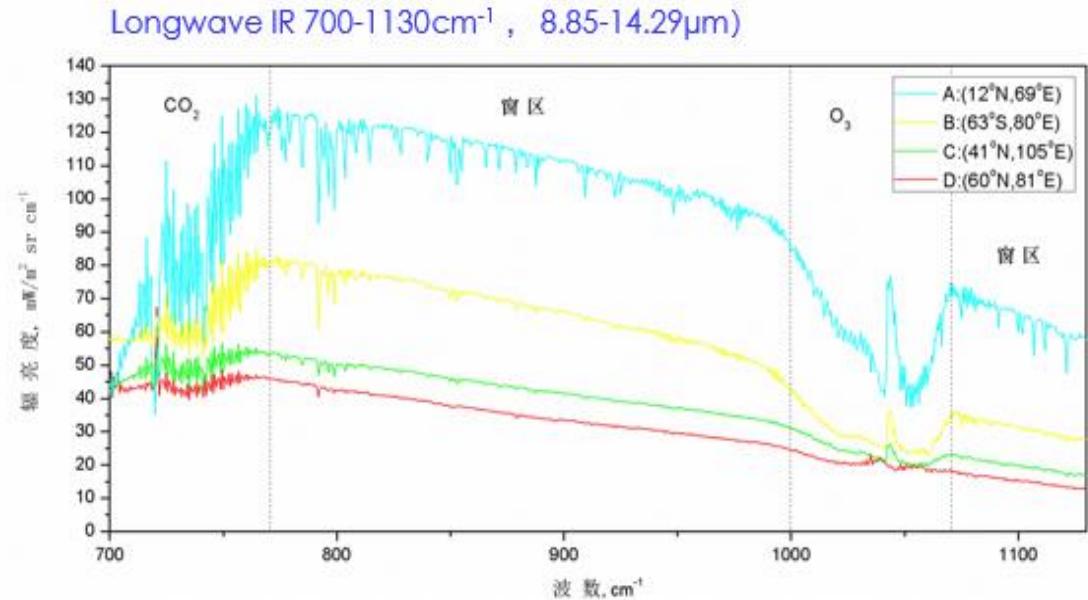
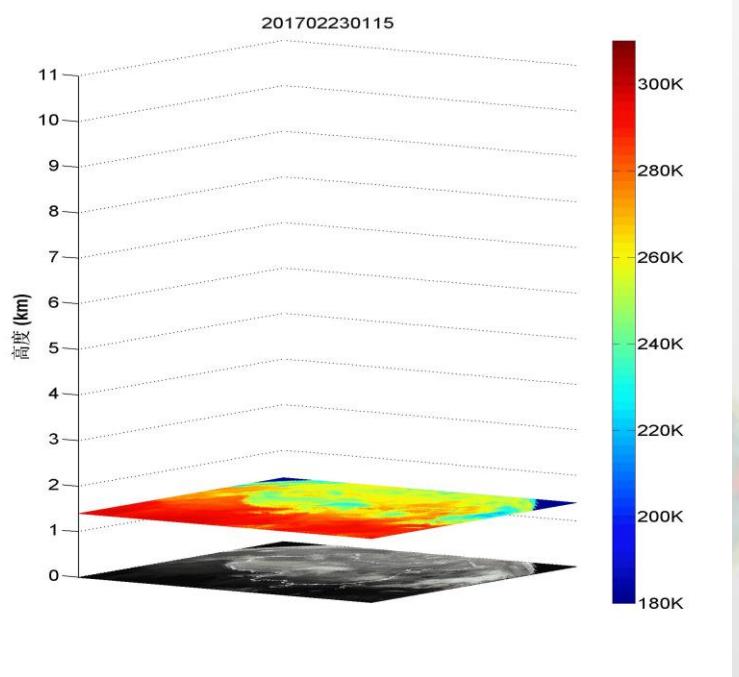




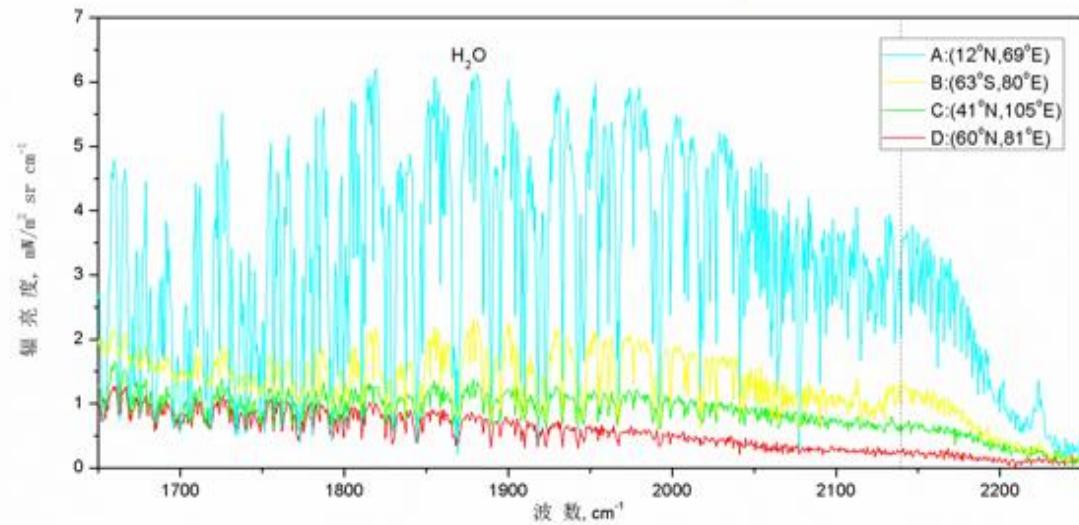
GIIRS: Geo. Interferometric Infrared Sounder



Spatial resolution: 16km,
Spectral resolution 0.625



Middle Wave IR (1650-2250cm⁻¹ , 4.44-6.06μm)

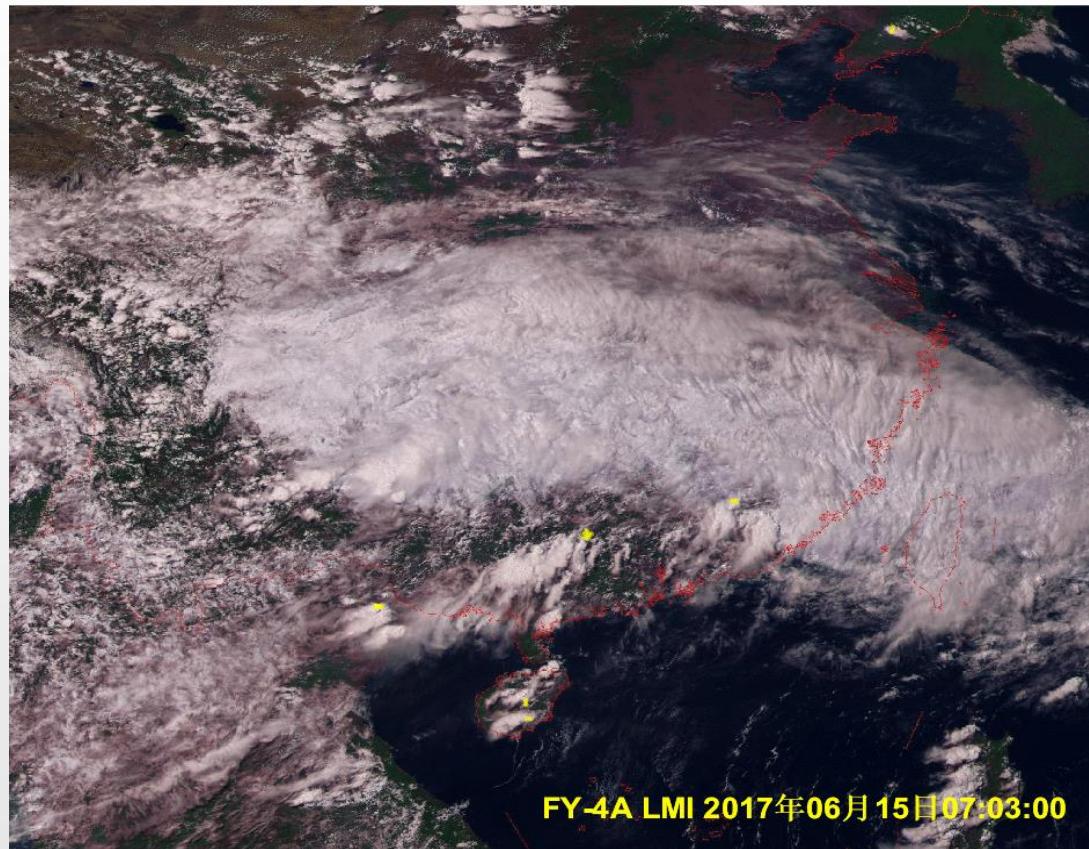




LMI

Acquire lightning distribution maps over china region

Spatial resolution	about 7.6 km at SSP
Wave-length at center	777.4nm
Band-width	1nm±0.1nm
Detection efficiency	>90%
False-alarm ratio	<10%
Dynamic range	>100
SNR	>6
Frequency of frames	2ms (500 frames per sec.)
Quantization bits	12
Measurement error	10%



**AGRI baseline products (25)**

Clear Sky Masks

Cloud Type

Cloud Optical Depth

Cloud Liquid Water

Cloud Particle Size Distribution

Cloud Phase

Cloud Top Temperature

Cloud Top Height/Pressure

Fog Detection

Aerosol Detection

Aerosol Optical Depth

Tropopause Folding

AGRI baseline products (cont.)

Surface Solar Irradiance

Blackbody Brightness Temp.

Outgoing Longwave
RadiationDownward Longwave
Radiation

Upward Longwave Radiation

Reflected Shortwave
Radiation

Land Surface Temperature

Sea Surface Temperature

Land Surface Temperature

Land Surface Albedo

Land Surface Emissivity

Snow Cover

Fire/Hot Spot

GIIRS baseline products (10)

Temperature Profile

Moisture Profile

Ozone Profile

Total Ozone

Total Precipitable Water

Lifted Index

CAPE index

K index

SI index

TT index

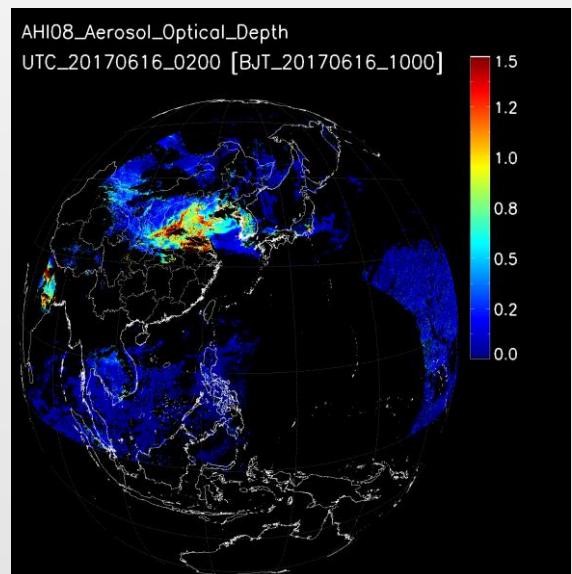
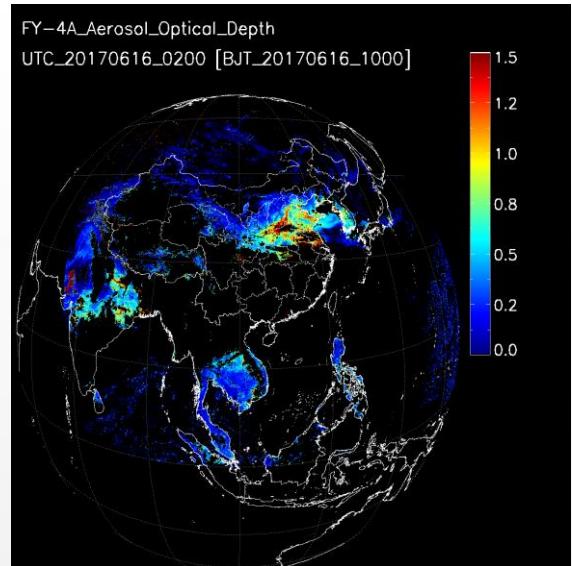
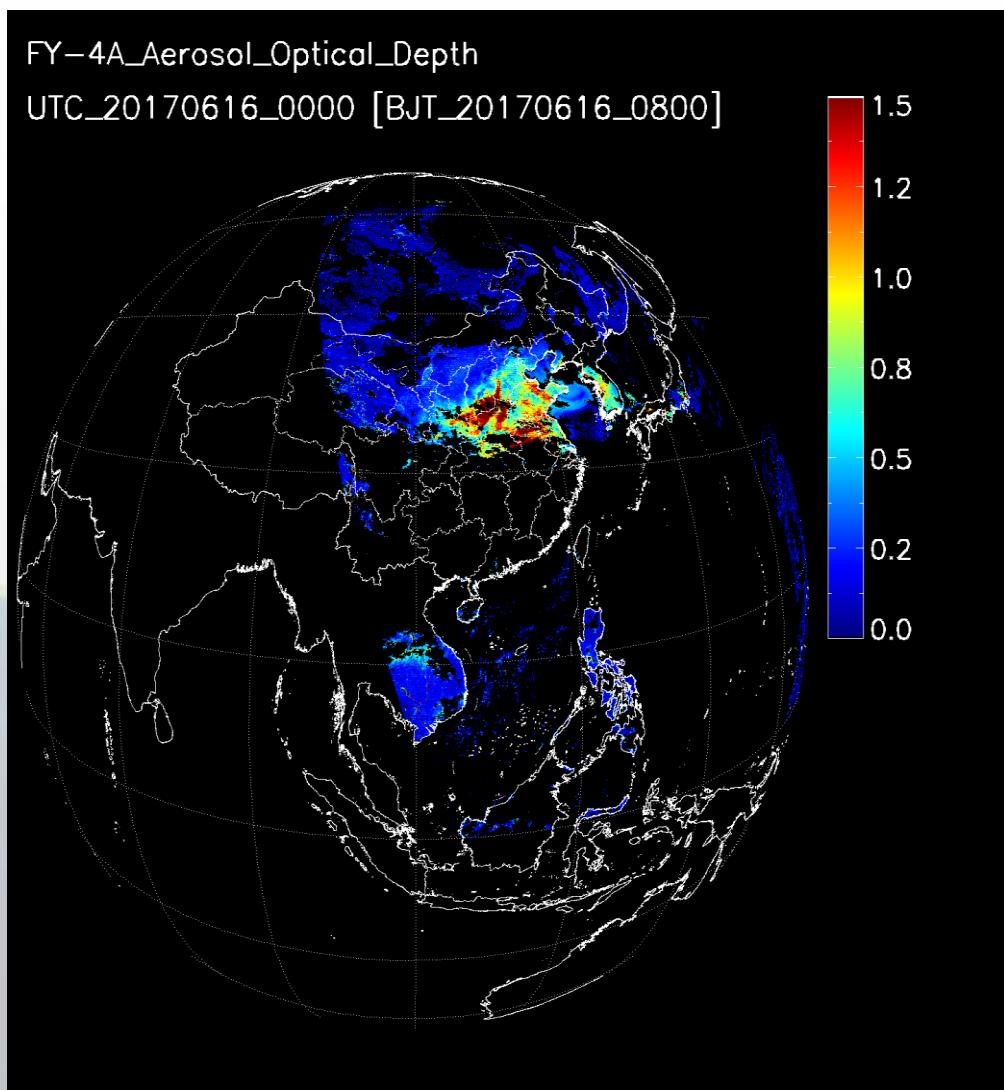
LMI baseline products (3)

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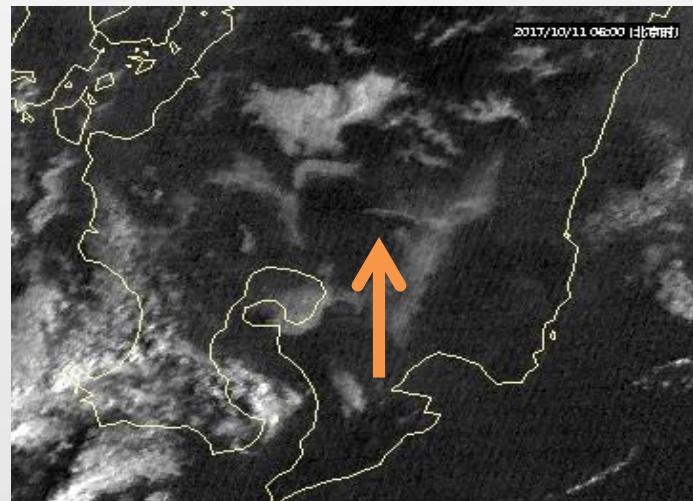
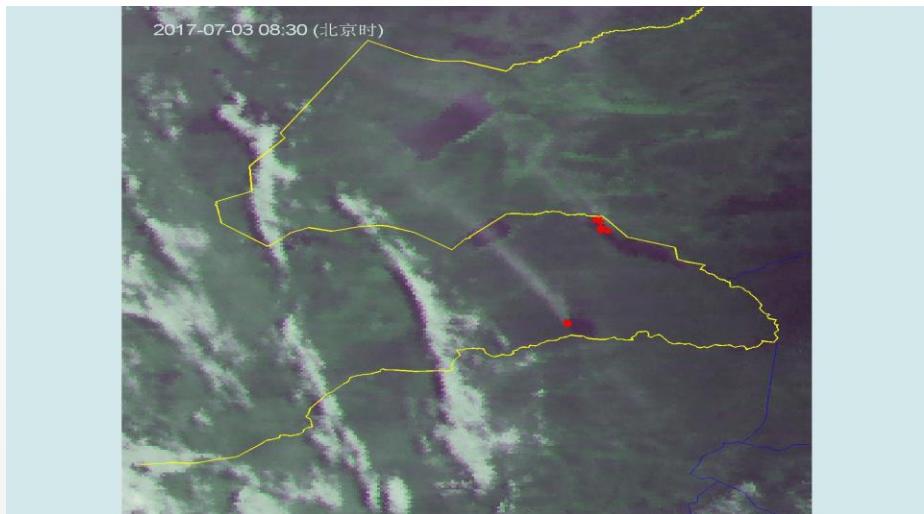
Group

Event

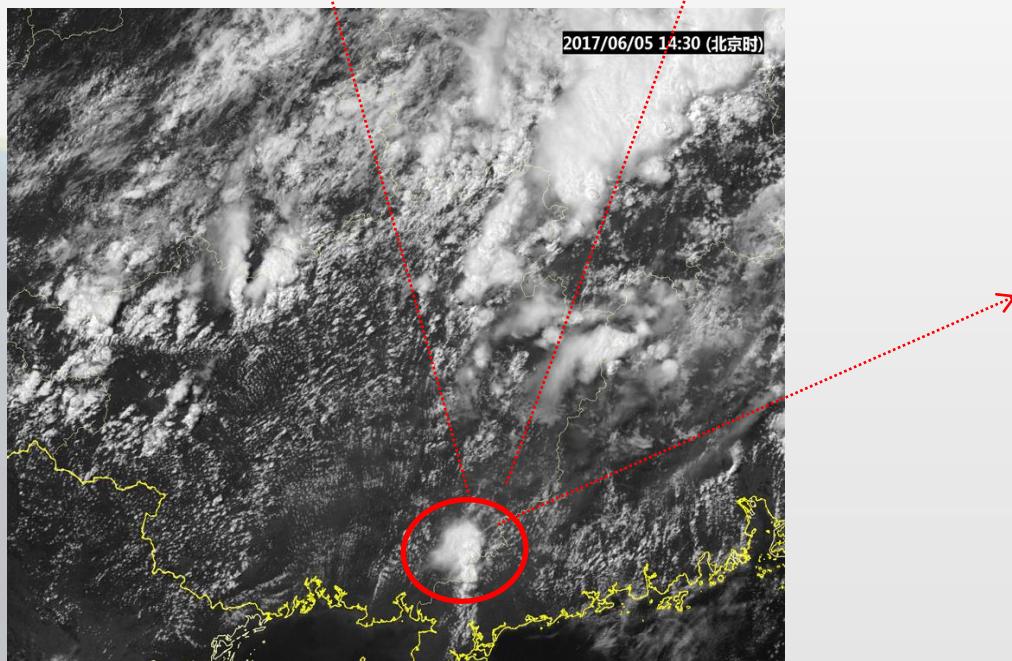
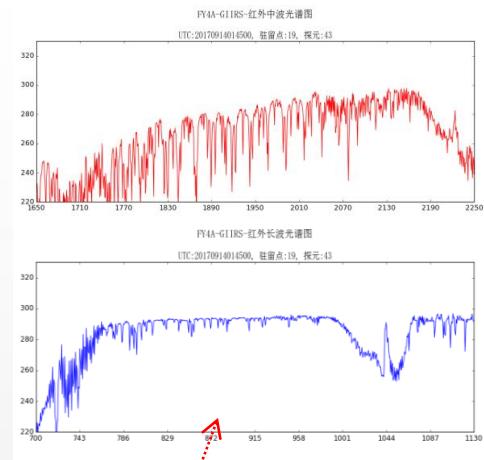
Examples of applications



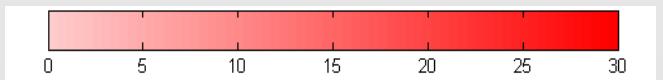
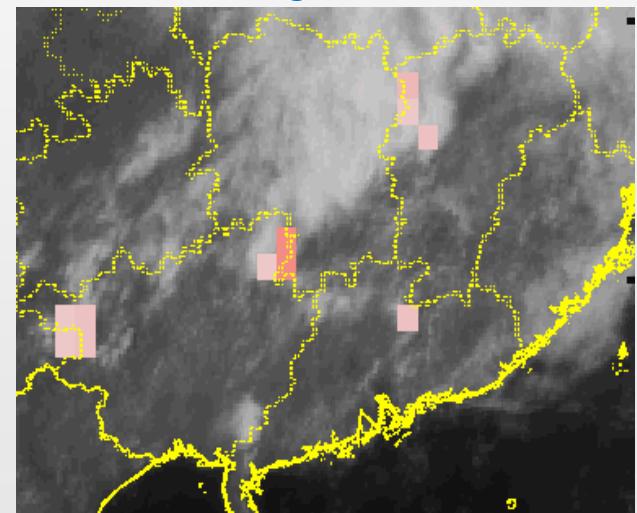
Examples of applications



Synergic application



1. FY-4A lightning frequency map: strong convective cloud clusters often accompany with obvious lightnings.
2. FY-4A high spatial resolution imager: finer structure and texture of strong convective cloud cluster; and clearer small scale cumulus line.
3. Cloud free atmospheric profile acquired from GIIRS can be used for nowcast warning.



LEO : The coming new satellite FY-3D -- to be deployed in afternoon orbit

10 instruments on board FY-3D:

Successive instruments:

MWTS-II: Microwave Temperature sounder

MWHS-II: Microwave Humidity sounder

MWRI: Microwave Radiation Imager

GNOS: Global Navigation Occultation Sounder

SEM: Space Environment Monitor

Improved instruments:

MERSI-II: Improved from MERSI

HiRAS: Upgraded from filter-type spectrometer

IRAS

New Instruments:

GAS: Greenhouse gases Absorption Spectrometer

WAI: Wide-angle Aurora Imager

IPM: Ionospheric Photometer



MERSI→MERSI-II

continuity and Evolution

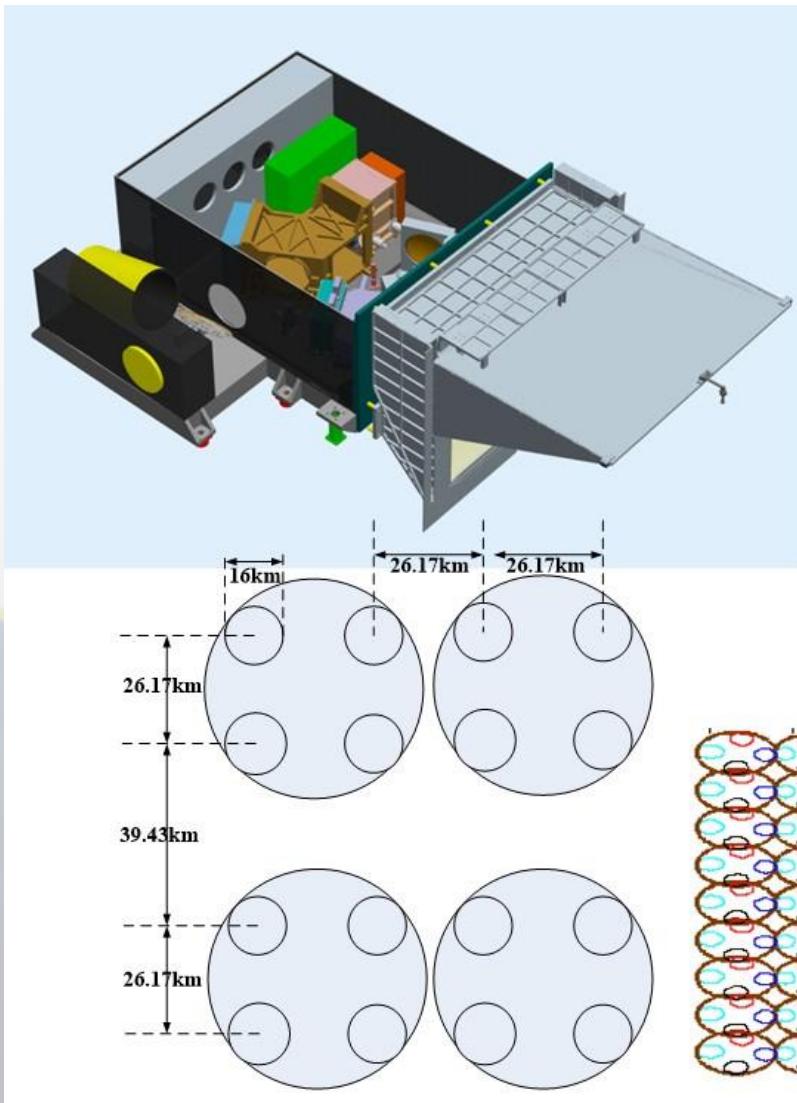


MERSI-2 Improvement:

- Cover all bands in FY-3A/B/C MERSI
- Five more IR bands
- Circurrus cloud band 1.38um
- Water vapor bands In NIR and 7.2um
- Two IR split windows with 250m spatial resolution
- Higher accuracy from onboard calibration
- Lunar Calibration capability

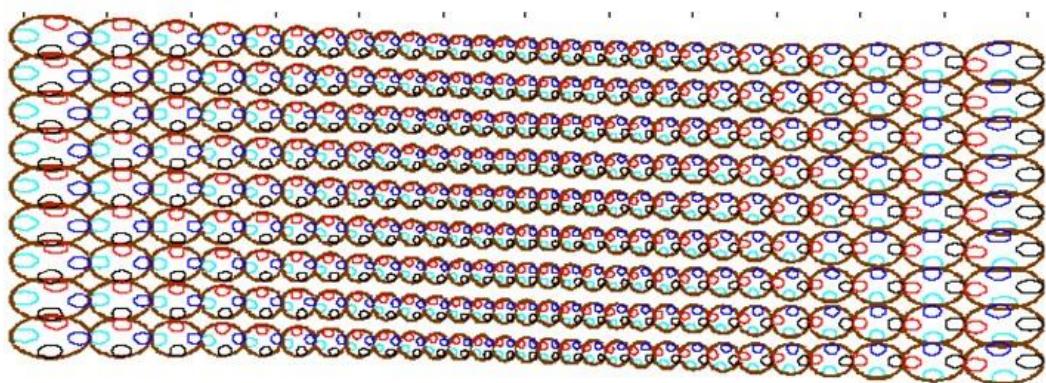
Band	SNPP VIIRS	FY-3D MERSI-II	FY-3A/B/C MERSI
1	DNB	0.470	0.470
2	✓	0.550	0.550
3	✓	0.650	0.650
4	✓	0.865	0.865
5	✗	1.03	11.25
6	✓	1.64	1.640
7	✓	2.13	2.130
8	✓	0.412	0.412
9	✓	0.443	0.443
10	✓	0.490	0.490
11	✓	0.555	0.520
12	✓	0.670	0.565
13	✓	0.709	0.650
14	✓	0.746	0.685
15	✓	0.865	0.765
16	✗	0.905	0.865
17	✗	0.936	0.905
18	✗	0.940	0.940
19	✓	1.38	0.980
20	✓	3.8	1.030
21	✓	4.05	
22	✗	7.2	
23	✓	8.550	
24	✓	10.8	
25	✓	12.0	

■ 250 m
□ 1000 m



Items	Specification
Scanning cycle	10 s (33 FORs)
FOV	1.1° (16Km)
Scanning Line	29*4 FORs
Max Scanning Range	± 50.4°

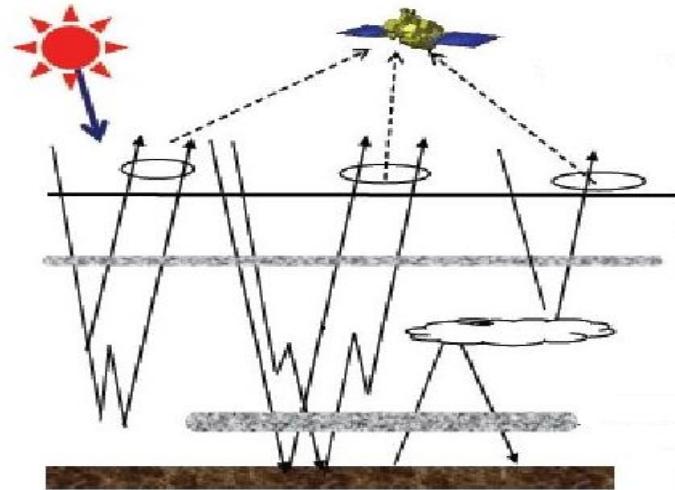
Band	Spectral range (cm-1) (μm)	Resolution (cm-1)	NEAT @250K	chs
Longwave	650 *– 1136 (15.38 μm-8.8 μm)	0.625	0.15K	778
Midwave1	1210 – 1750 (8.26μm-5.71 μm)	1.25	0.1K	433
Midwave2	2155-2550 (4.64μm-3.92 μm)	2.5	0.3K	159



GAS: Greenhouse gases Absorption Spectrometer



- Objectives:** to measure CO₂ and CH₄ column density by using a SWIR Interferometer
- Spectral res.:** 0.2 cm⁻¹
- Spatial res.:** 13km
- Number of Bands:** 4

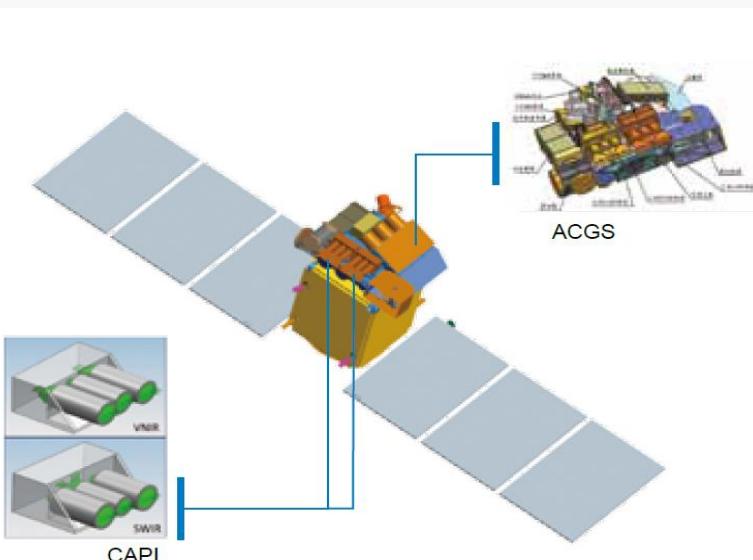


Specification	FY-3D GAS	FY-3G GAS-II	TanSat	OCO
Spectral bands (μm)	0.76	√	√	√
	1.6	√	√	√
	2.0	√	√	√
	2.3	√	√	—
Spectral Resolution (nm) @1.6μm	0.073	0.07	0.12	0.0757
Spatial Resolution (km)	13.2	< 3	2	1
Swath(km)	----	>100	20	10
Sample points	7	----	9	8
Sample interval (S)	2.2	----	0.3	0.333





TANSAT A joint mission by: **MOST**(Ministry Of Science and Technology), **CAS**(Chinese Academy of Science), and **CMA**.
Mission objective: *To retrieve the atmosphere column-averaged CO₂ dry air mole fraction (XCO₂)*.



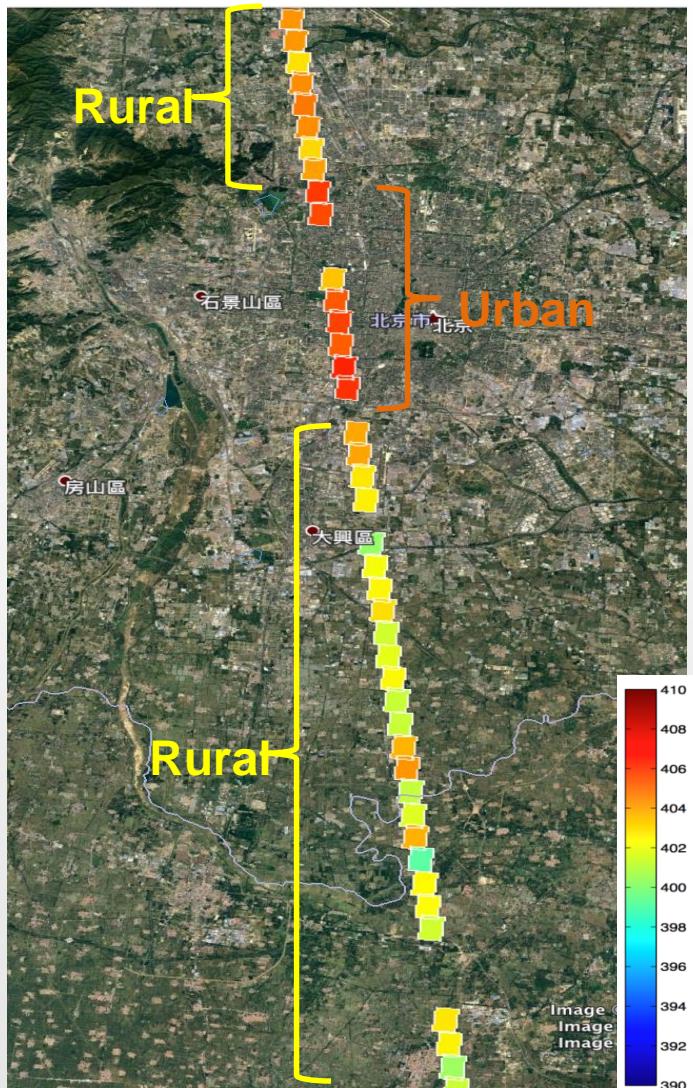
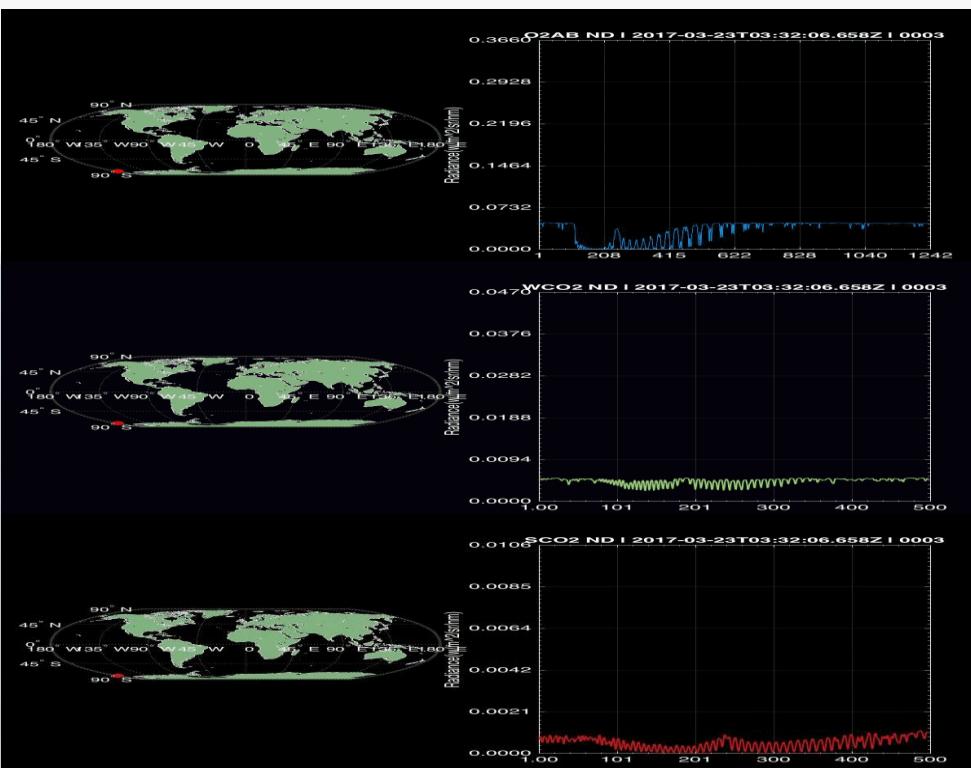
TANSAT satellite was successfully Launched in Dec. 22, 2016

1)ACGS(Atmospheric CO₂ Grating Spectrometer) is mainly used to measure atmospheric CO₂. It has three spectral bands. One is the oxygen A-band with a centroid wavelength of 760nm. The other two are weak and strong carbon dioxide absorbing bands with centroid of 1610nm and 2060nm.

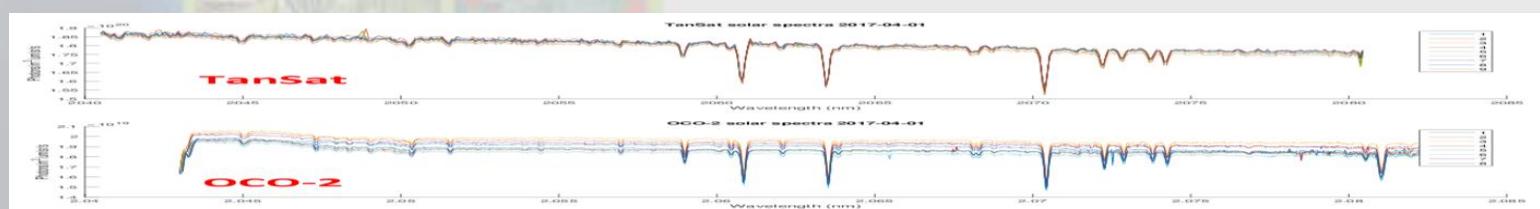
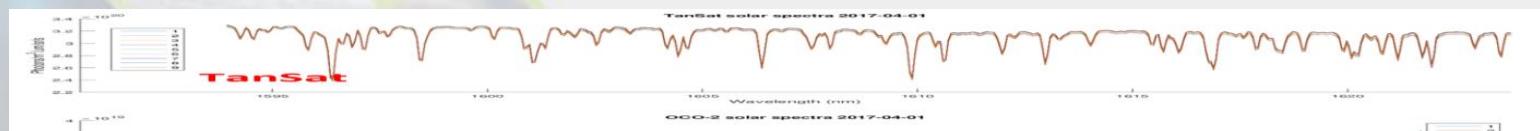
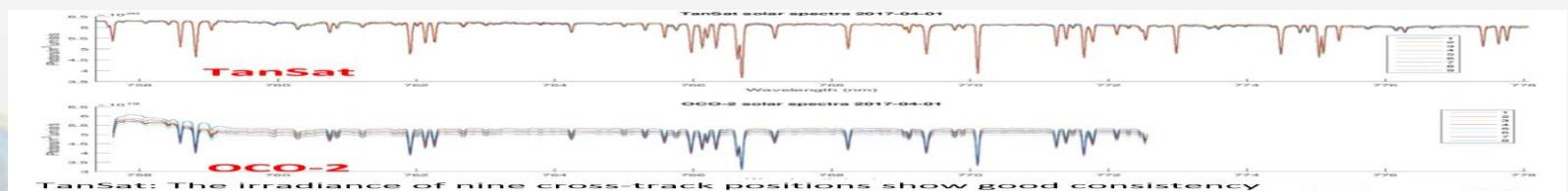
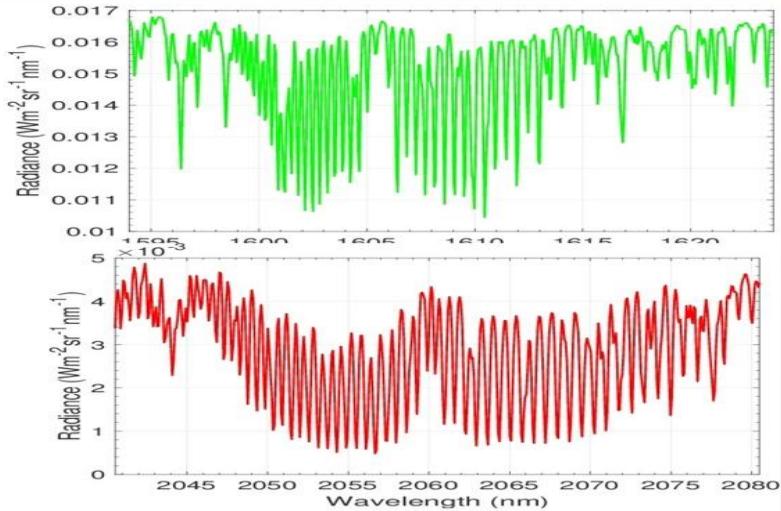
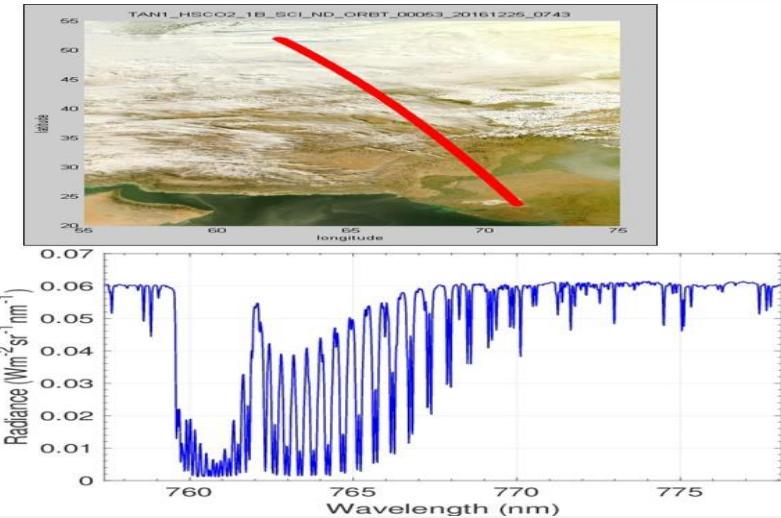
2)CAPI(Cloud and Aerosol Polarization Instrument) is a 5-channel UV/VIS/NIR/SWIR radiometer with three polarizations in two channels



- TANSAT was successfully launched on Dec. 22, 2016.
- Commissioning test has been finished by June, 2017, and the Satellite was handed over to NSMC/CMA for operation
- All the data and products will be available soon.

XCO₂

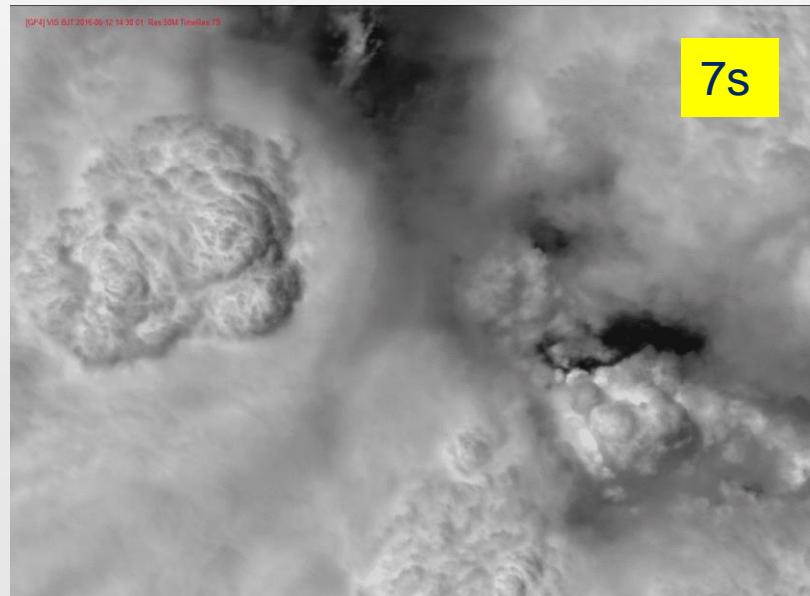
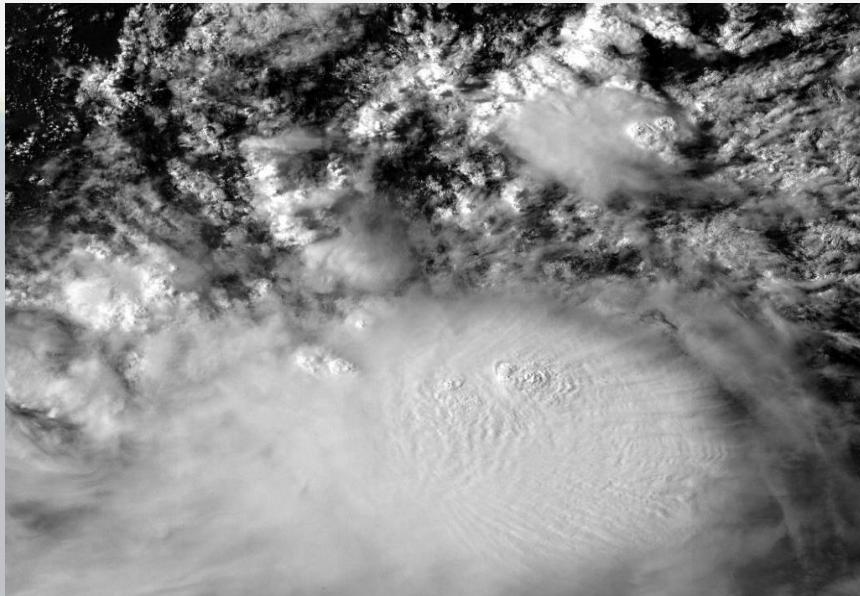
The first spectra of TanSat



Status of GF-4



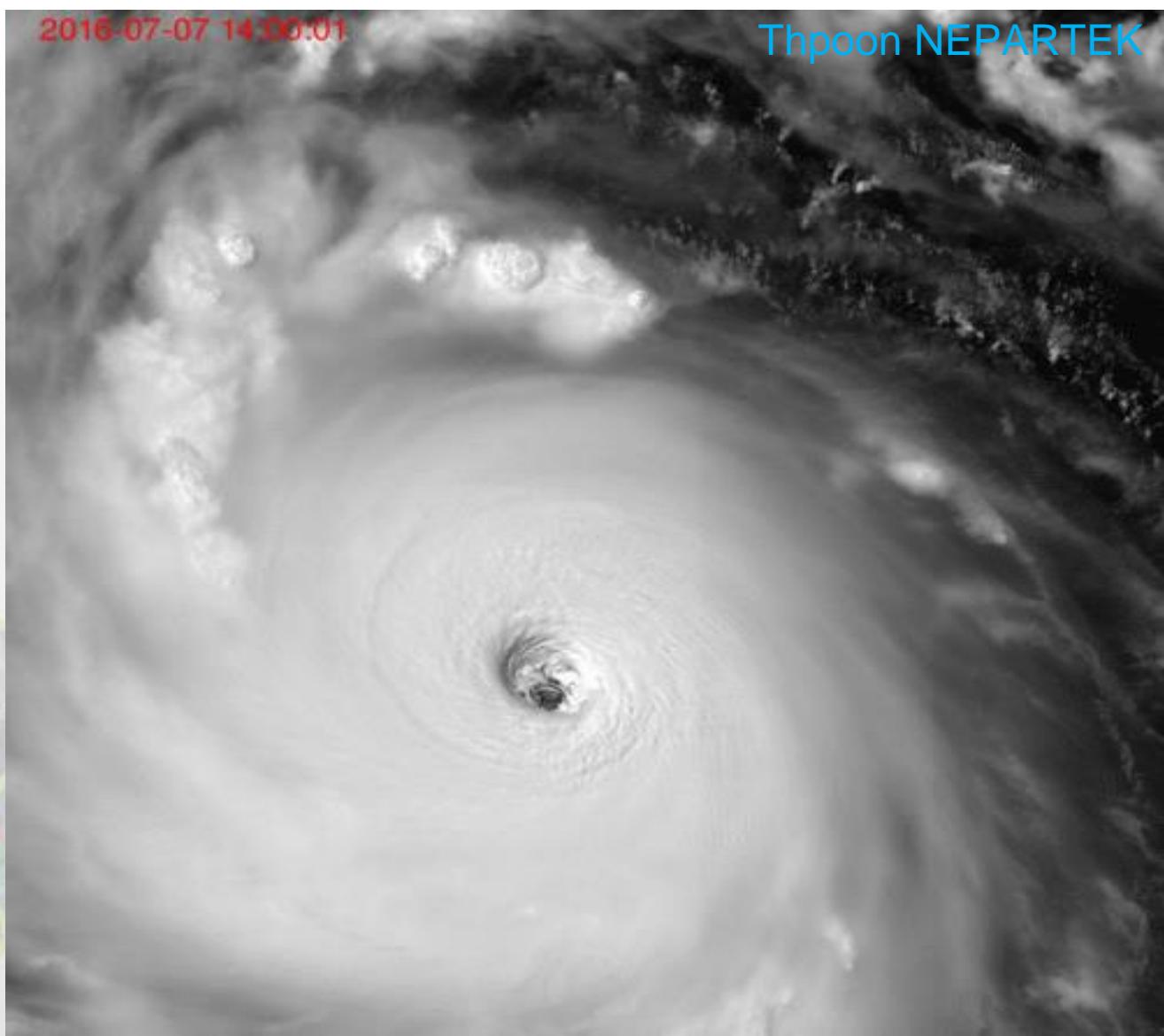
- Launched on 29 December 2015, Location at 105.6°E
- GF-4 is China's first high resolution geostationary satellite. Its spatial resolution is 50m at visible and near infrared band, and 400m at mid-infrared band. Its temporal resolution can reach several seconds.
- Useful for the monitoring of rapid growing meco-or small scale convective system.





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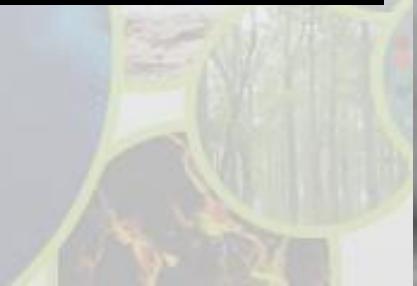
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Detector 10,000X10,000

Spatial res. 50 meters

Temporal res. 10, 20, 60s





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