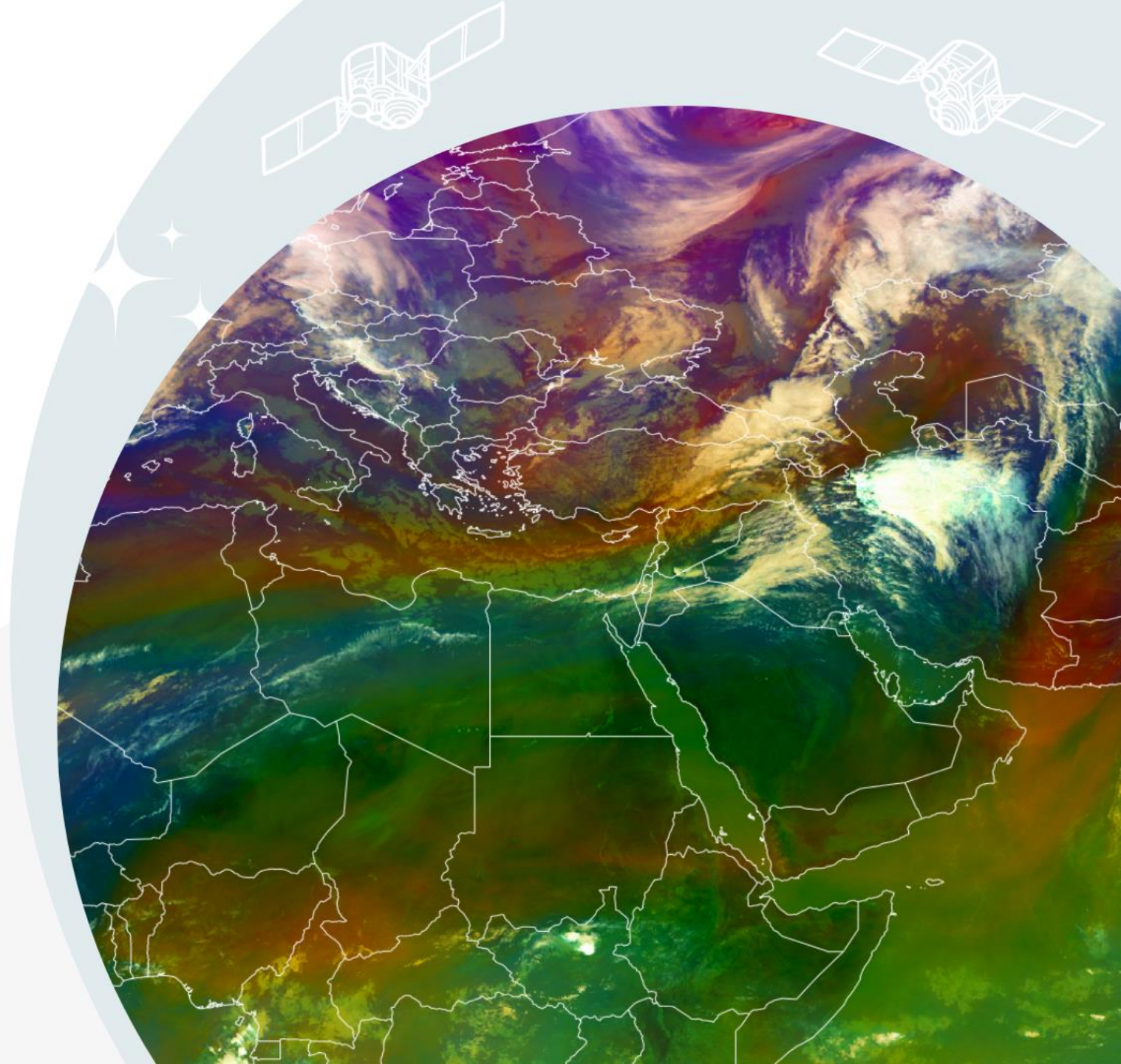


# Artificial Intelligence Techniques for Precipitations Estimation

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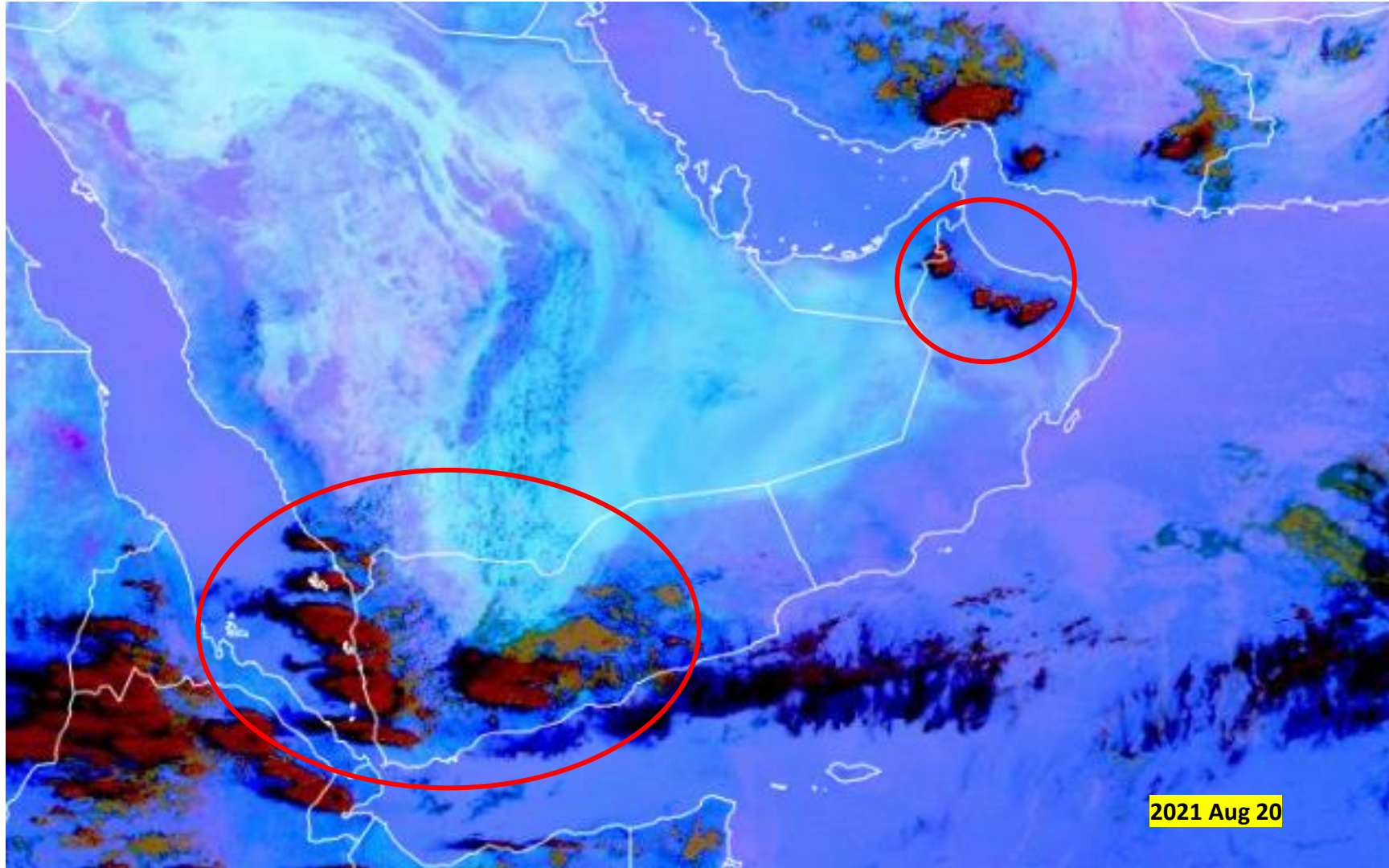


**Precipitation** : Any form of water that falls from clouds towards the ground.

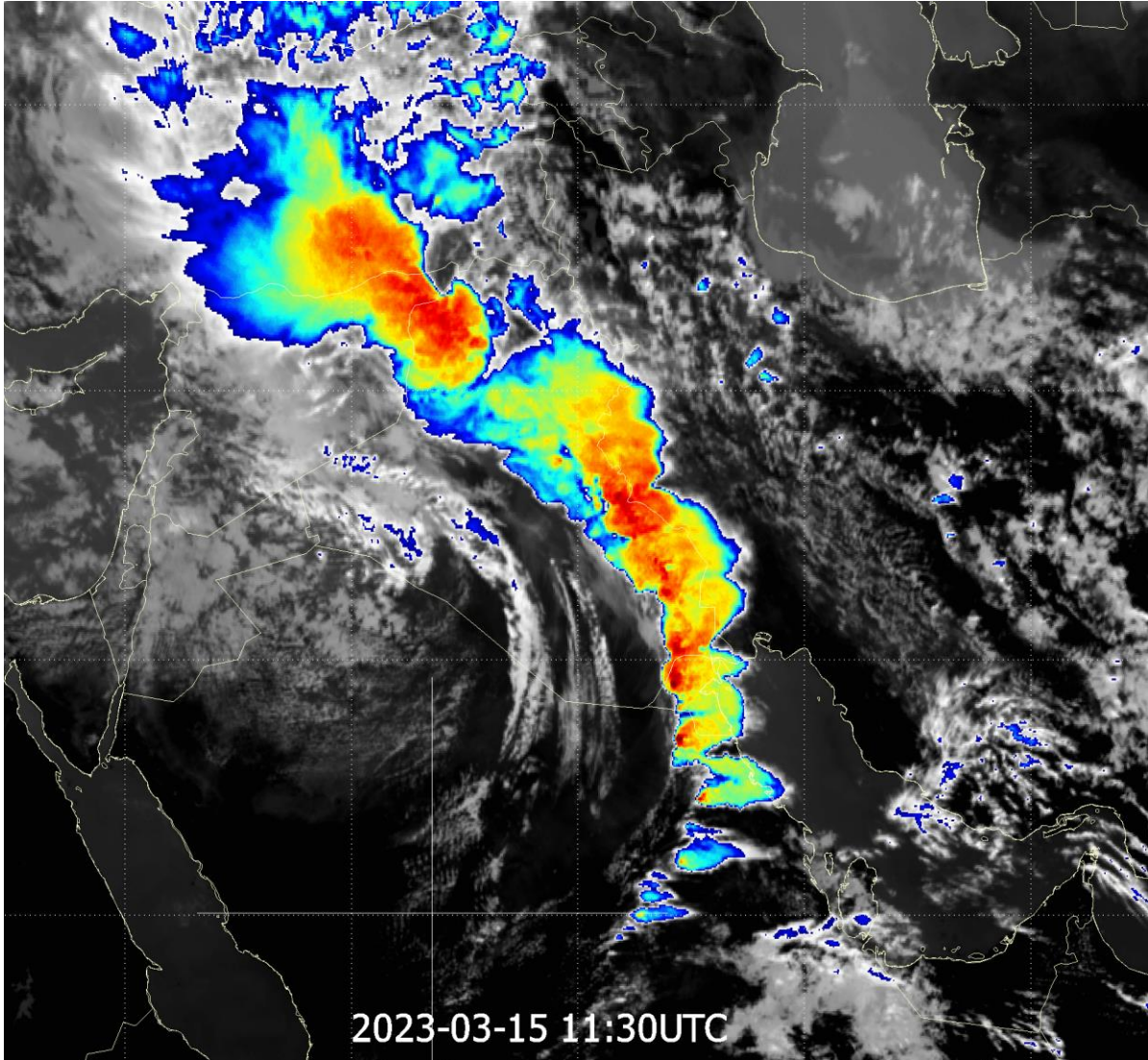


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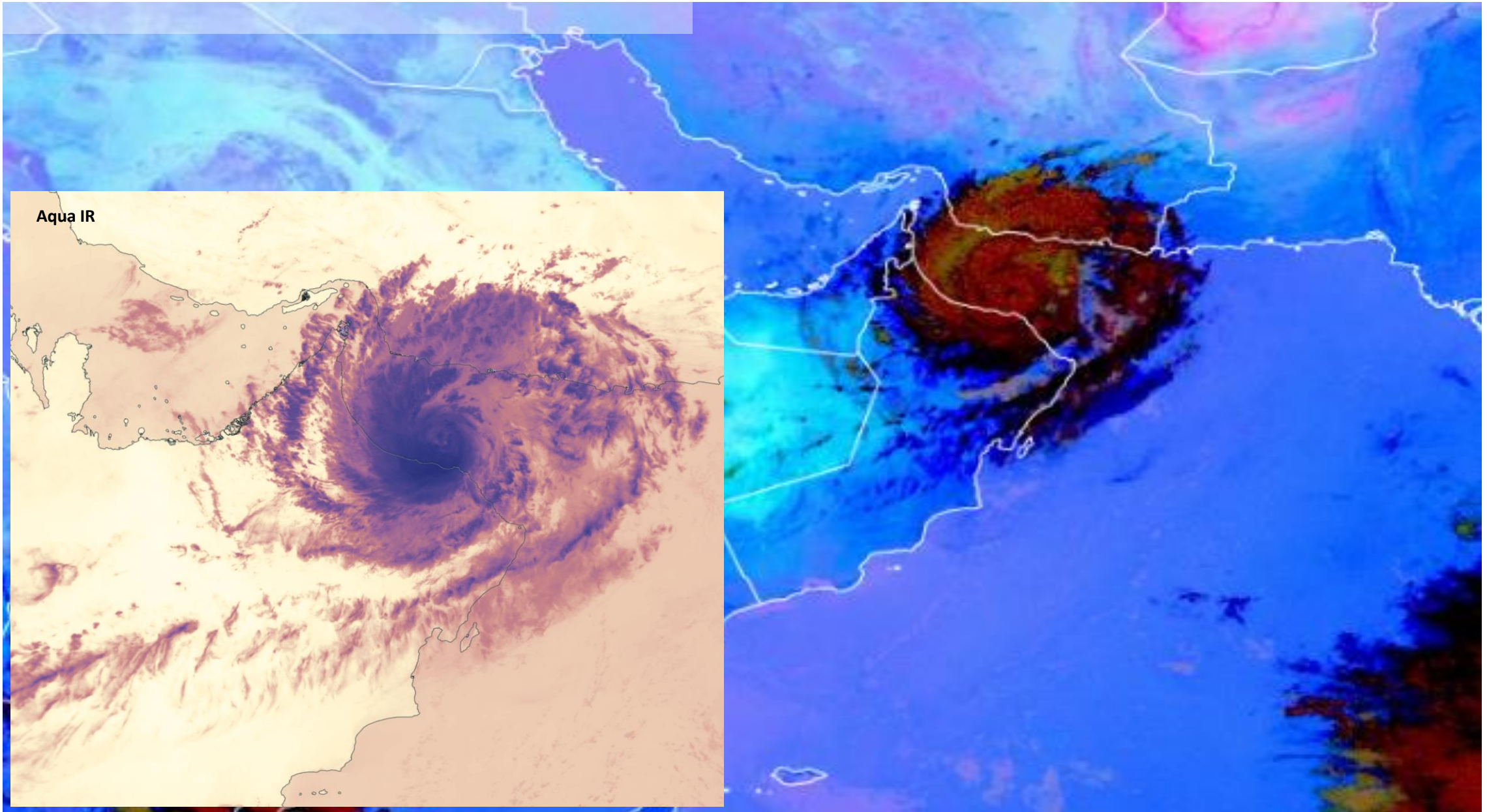
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# Frontal Systems :



# Tropical Storms and Cyclones



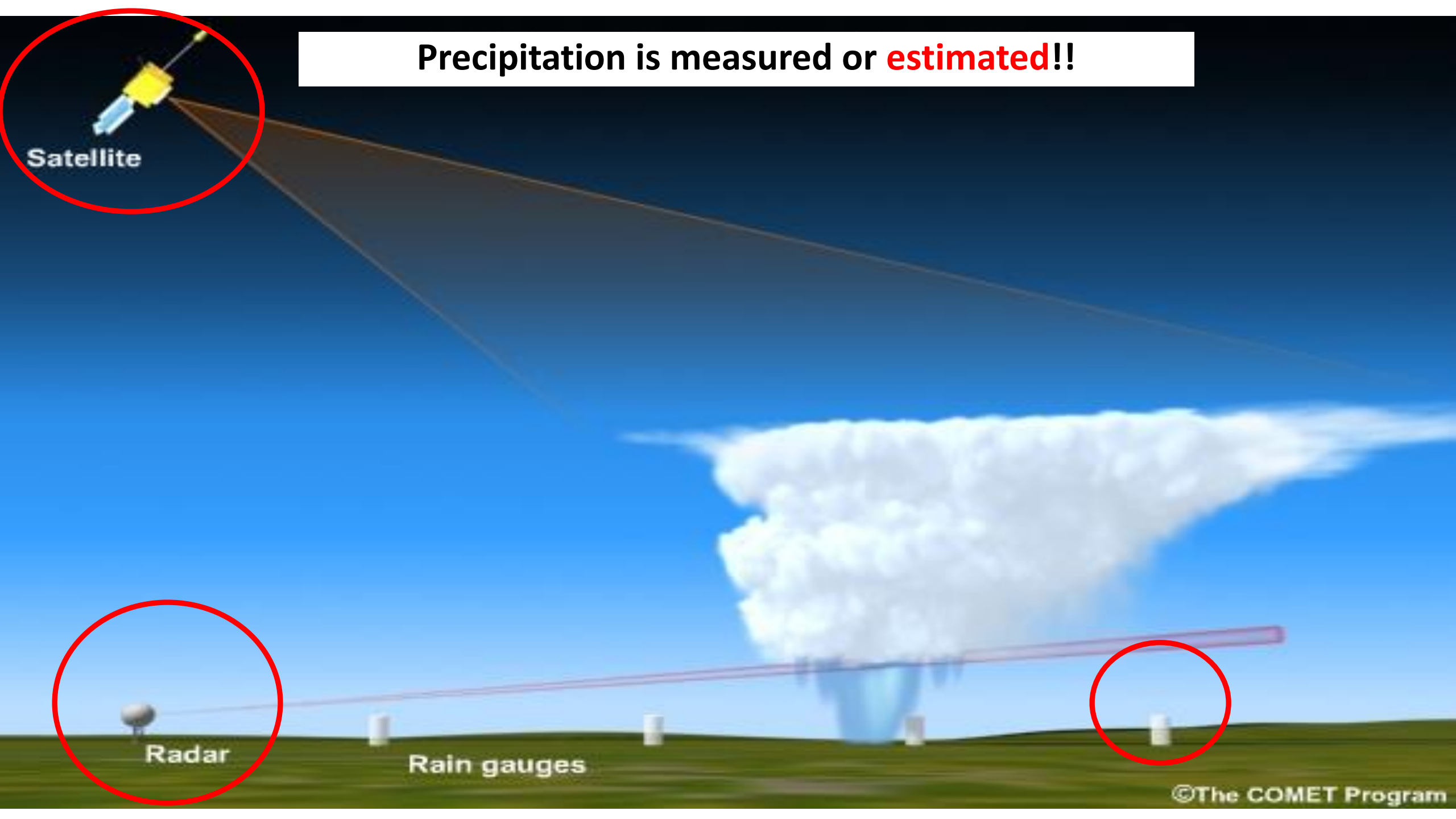
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Precipitation is measured or **estimated**!!

Satellite

Radar

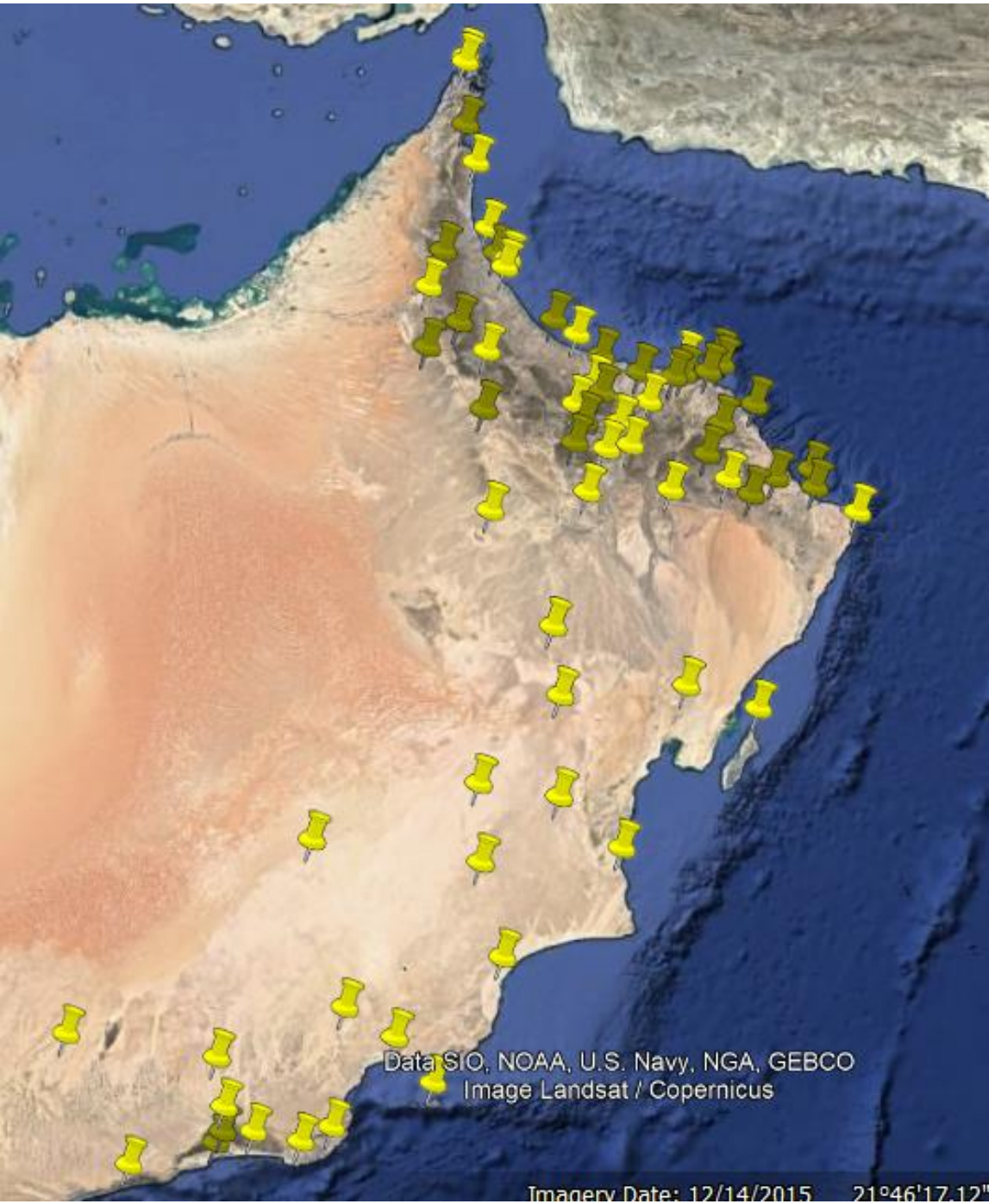
Rain gauges



# Precipitation Measurement Problems

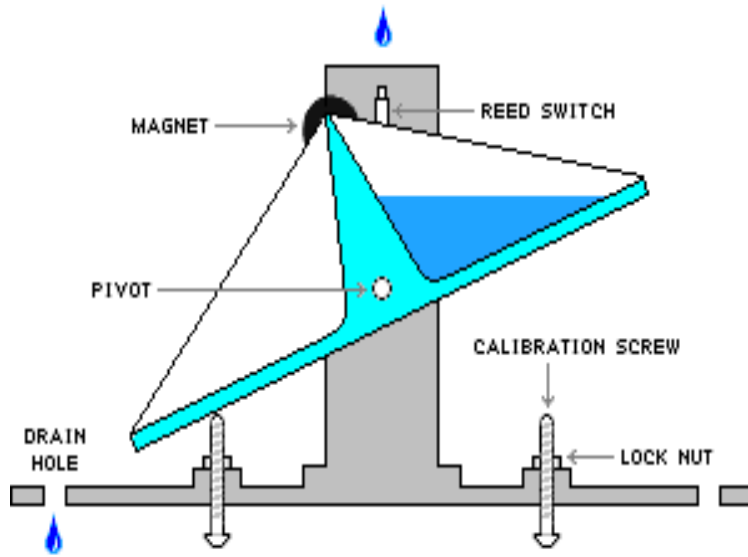


# Ground Weather Stations

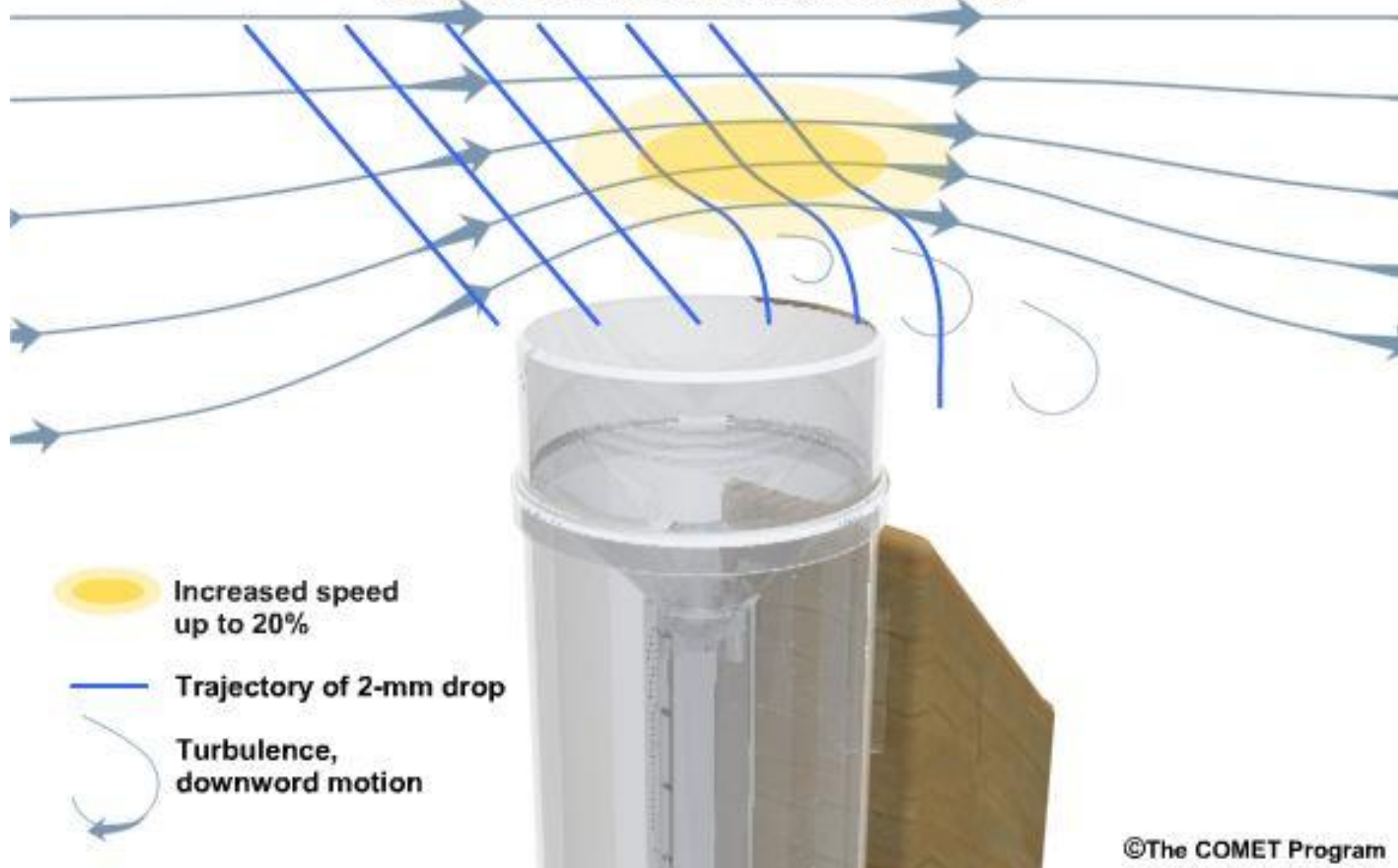





Wind Impact !

# Rain Gauges



### The Gauge-Induced Impact to Raindrop Paths for 2-mm Drops in 10 m/s (22 mph) Wind



-  Increased speed up to 20%
-  Trajectory of 2-mm drop
-  Turbulence, downward motion

# Wind Shade



فلم وثائقي لاعصار #شاهين شاهد مركز العاصفة في عين إعصار شاهين

العاصفة

Fall Angle



# Fall Angle

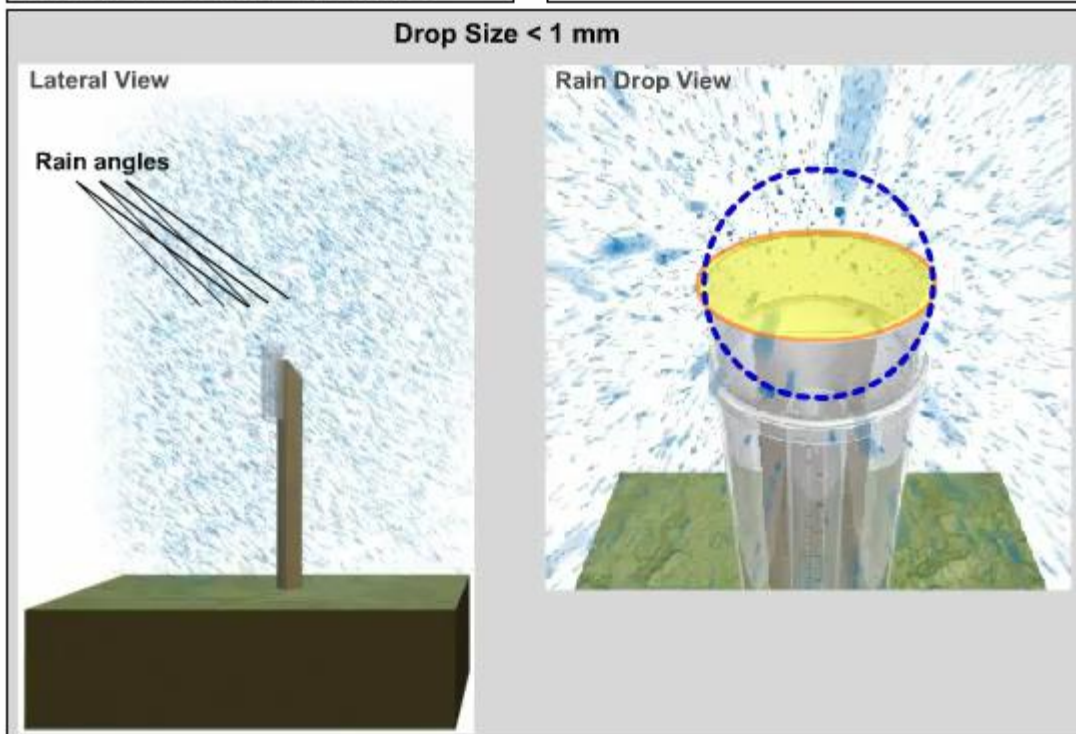
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Drop size 2 mm     Drop size < 1 mm  
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Catch:

Ideal catch     Effective catch



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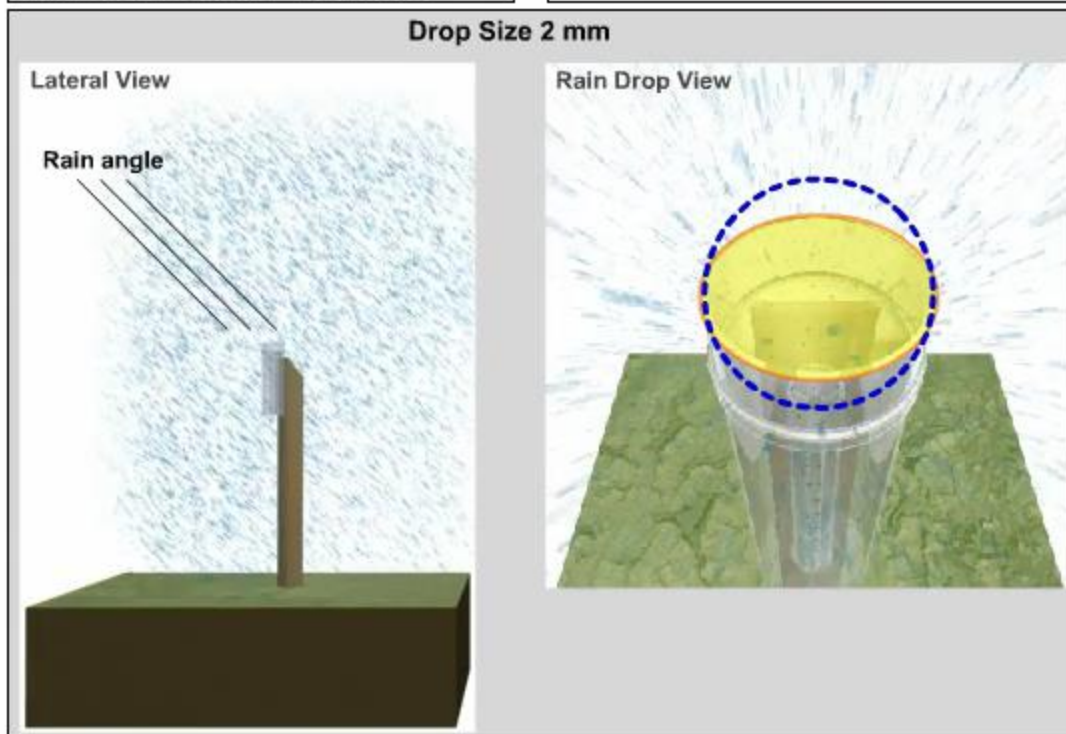
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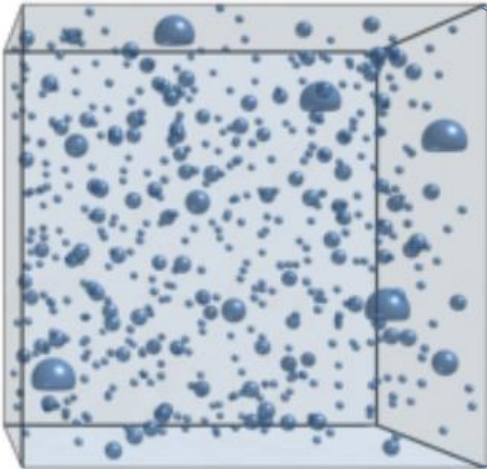


— Pulse going out

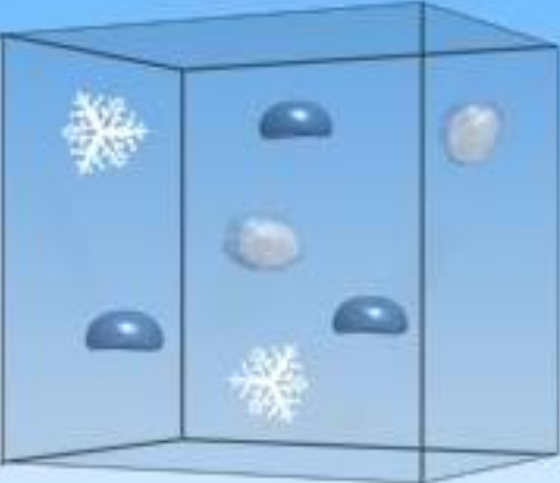
— Energy returning



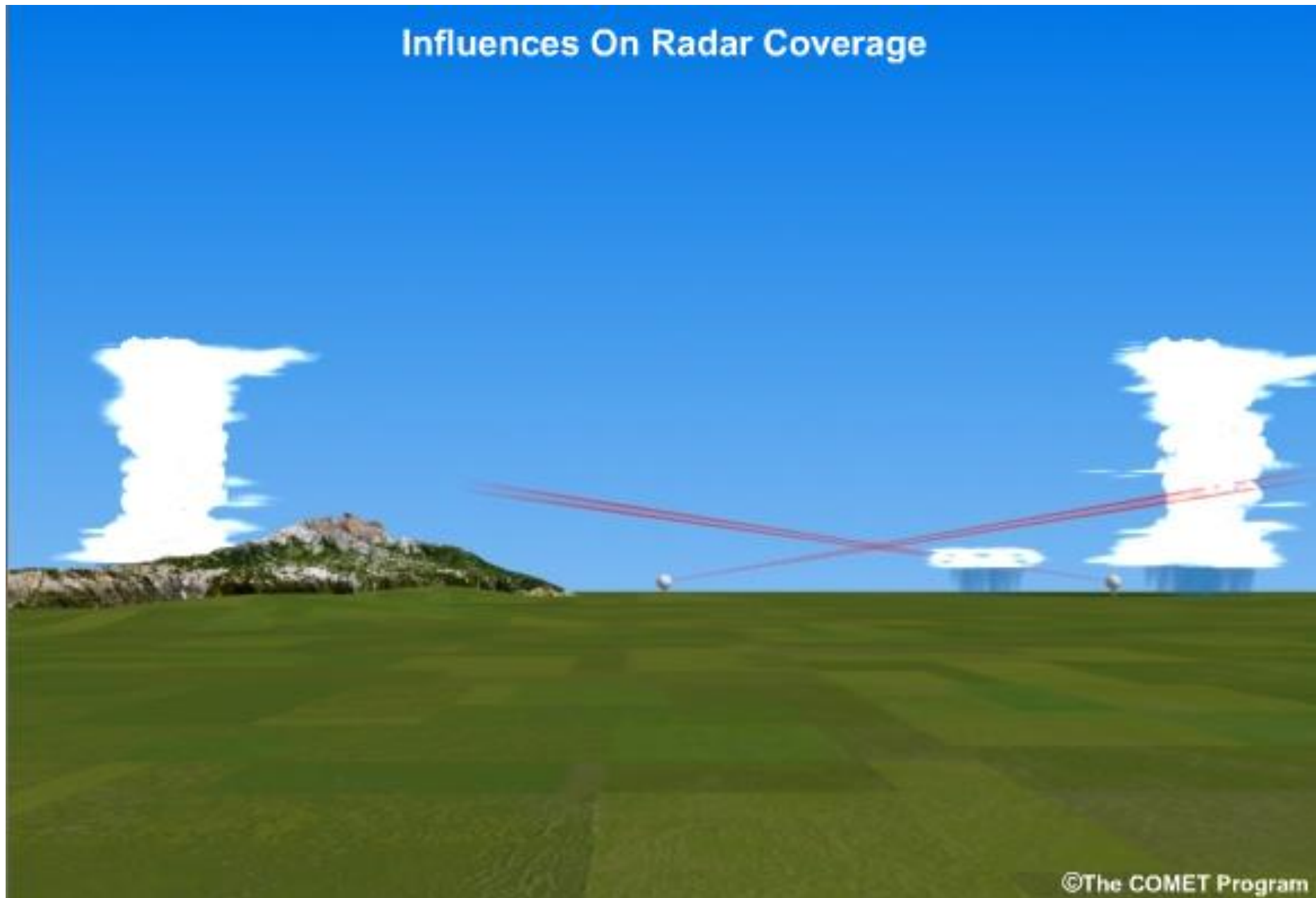
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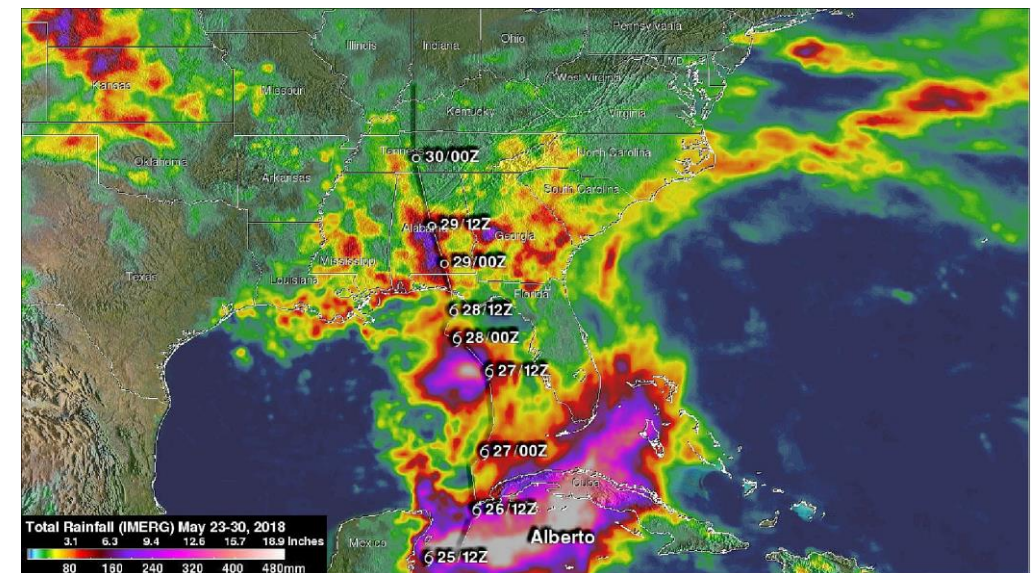
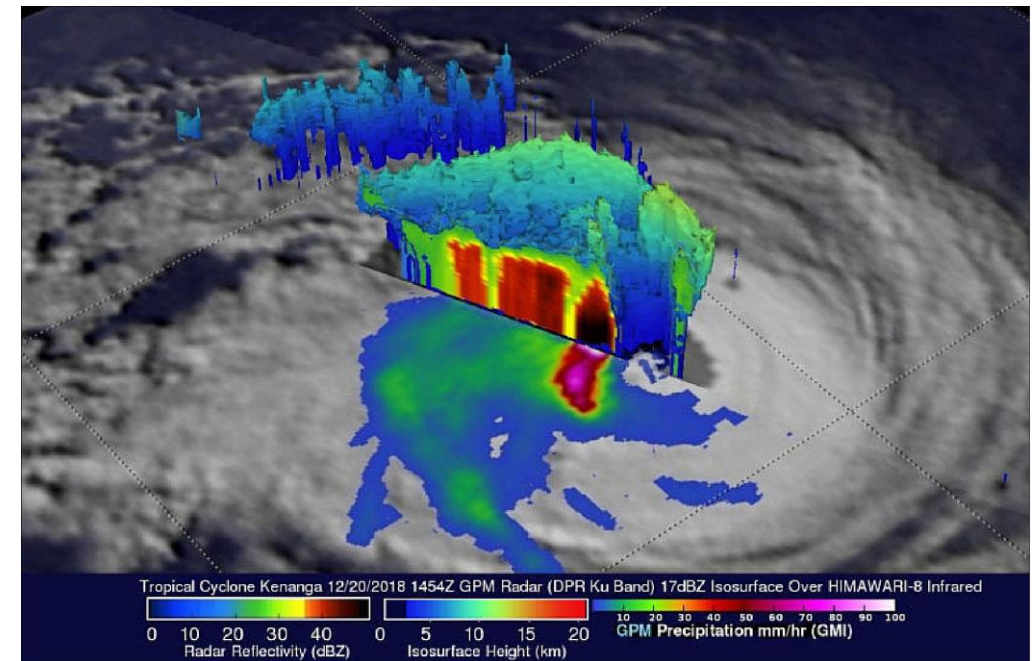
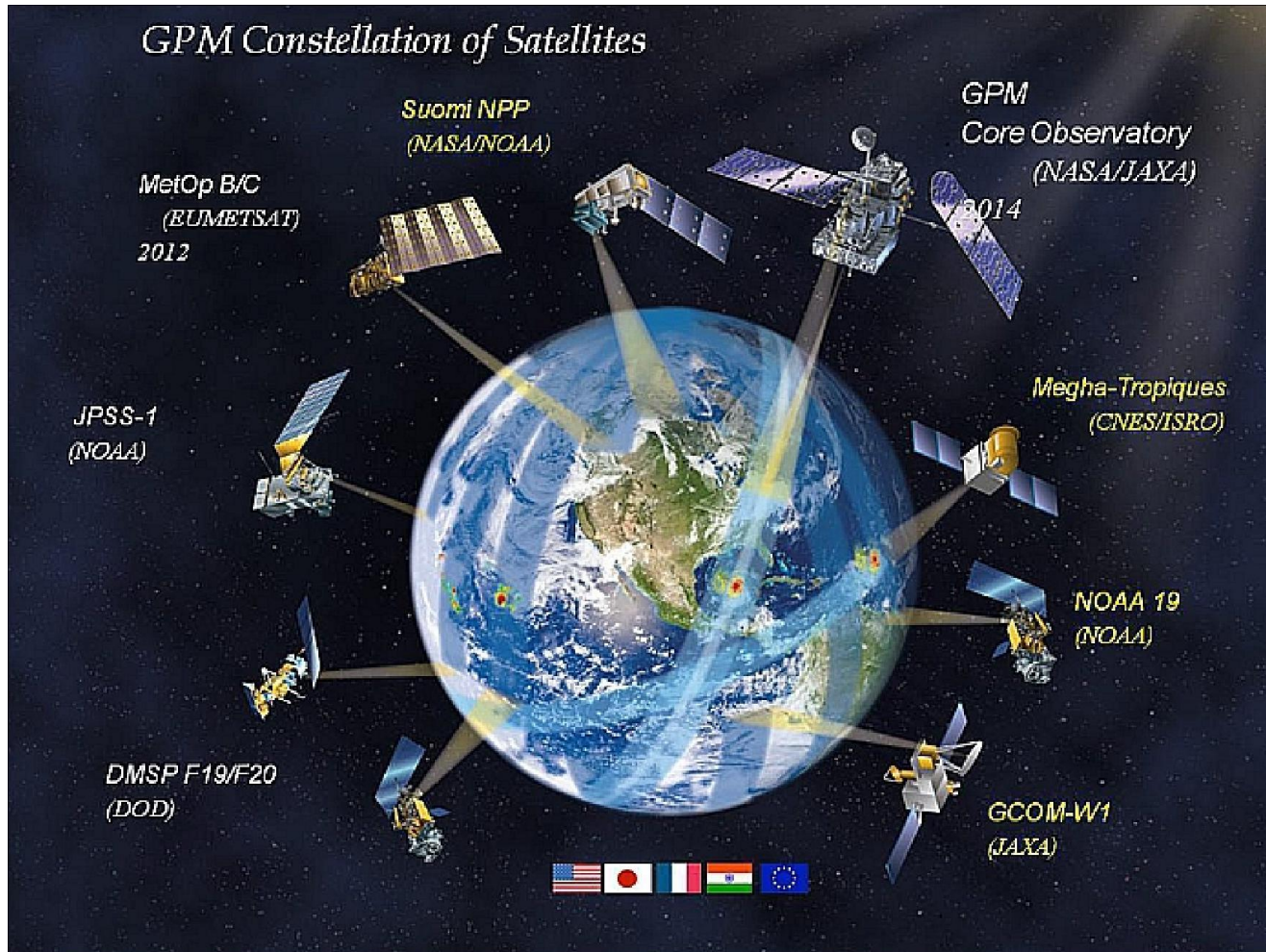
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## Influences On Radar Coverage



# Satellites

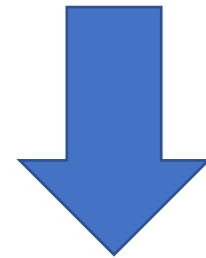


Satellites

Radars

Rain Gauges

Others

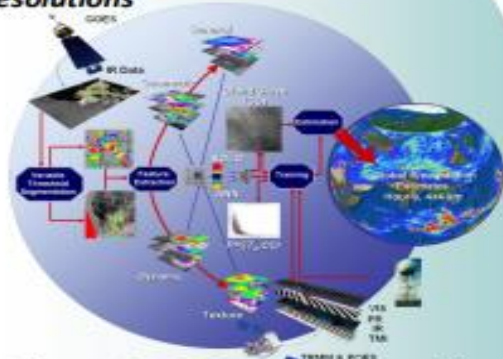


Integrated Products to Estimate  
Precipitation

# CHRS : Center For Hydrometeorology & Remote Sensing

University of California

*Develop state-of-the-art systems to estimate rainfall from satellite observations at global scale and high spatial and temporal resolutions*



*Information Technology to provide world-wide access to real-time global precipitation products:*

<http://hydix.eng.uci.edu/oweb/>



## **Goal:**

*High spatial and temporal resolution of precipitation measurements at global scale for hydrological applications:*

- *Short-term operational applications*
  - *Flood forecasting*
  - *Data assimilation in numerical weather models*
- *Long-term climate extreme event analysis*
- *Hydro-climate studies*
- *Validation GCM models*



# Artificial neural network



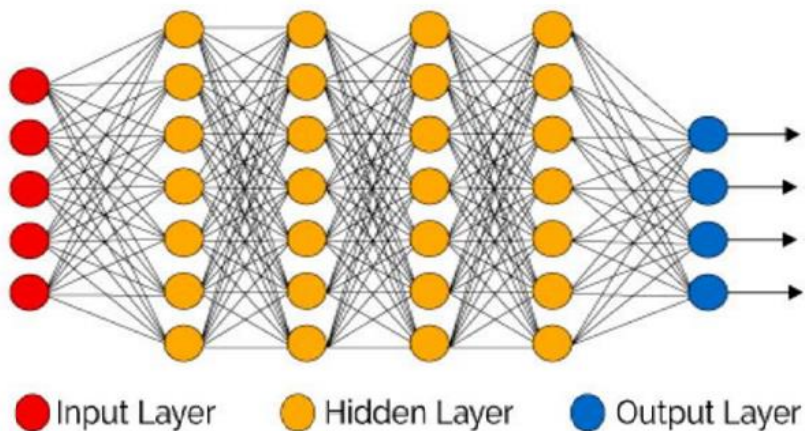
what is Artificial Neural Network



Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs) are a type of machine learning model that is inspired by the structure and function of the human brain. ANNs are composed of interconnected nodes, or "neurons," that process and transmit information.



**Deep Learning Neural Network**



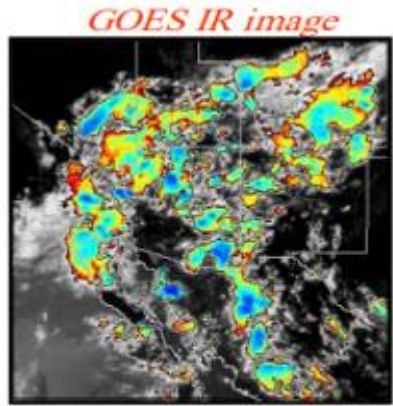
In an ANN, input data is passed through a network of interconnected neurons, each of which applies a mathematical function to the input data and produces an output. These outputs are then used as inputs for other neurons in the network, until a final output is produced.

ANNs are often used for tasks such as image and speech recognition, natural language processing, and prediction. They can be trained using a variety of techniques, including supervised learning (where the network is trained using labeled data) and unsupervised learning (where the network learns to identify patterns in unlabeled data).

ANNs can be designed with different numbers of layers and types of neurons, and their architecture can be tailored to the specific task at hand. While ANNs have been successful in many applications, they can be computationally expensive and require a large amount of training data to achieve high levels of accuracy.

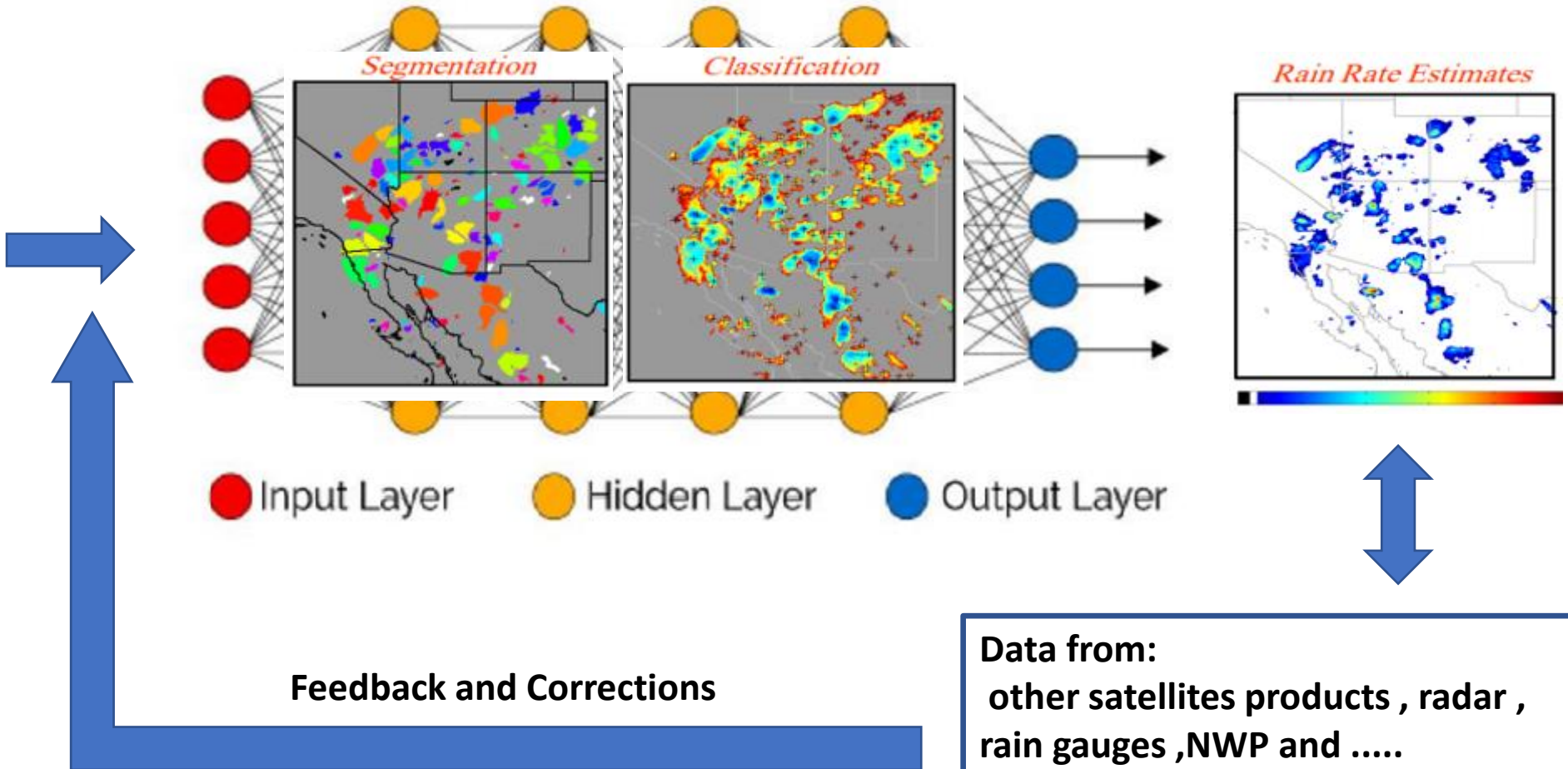
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## Deep Learning Neural Network

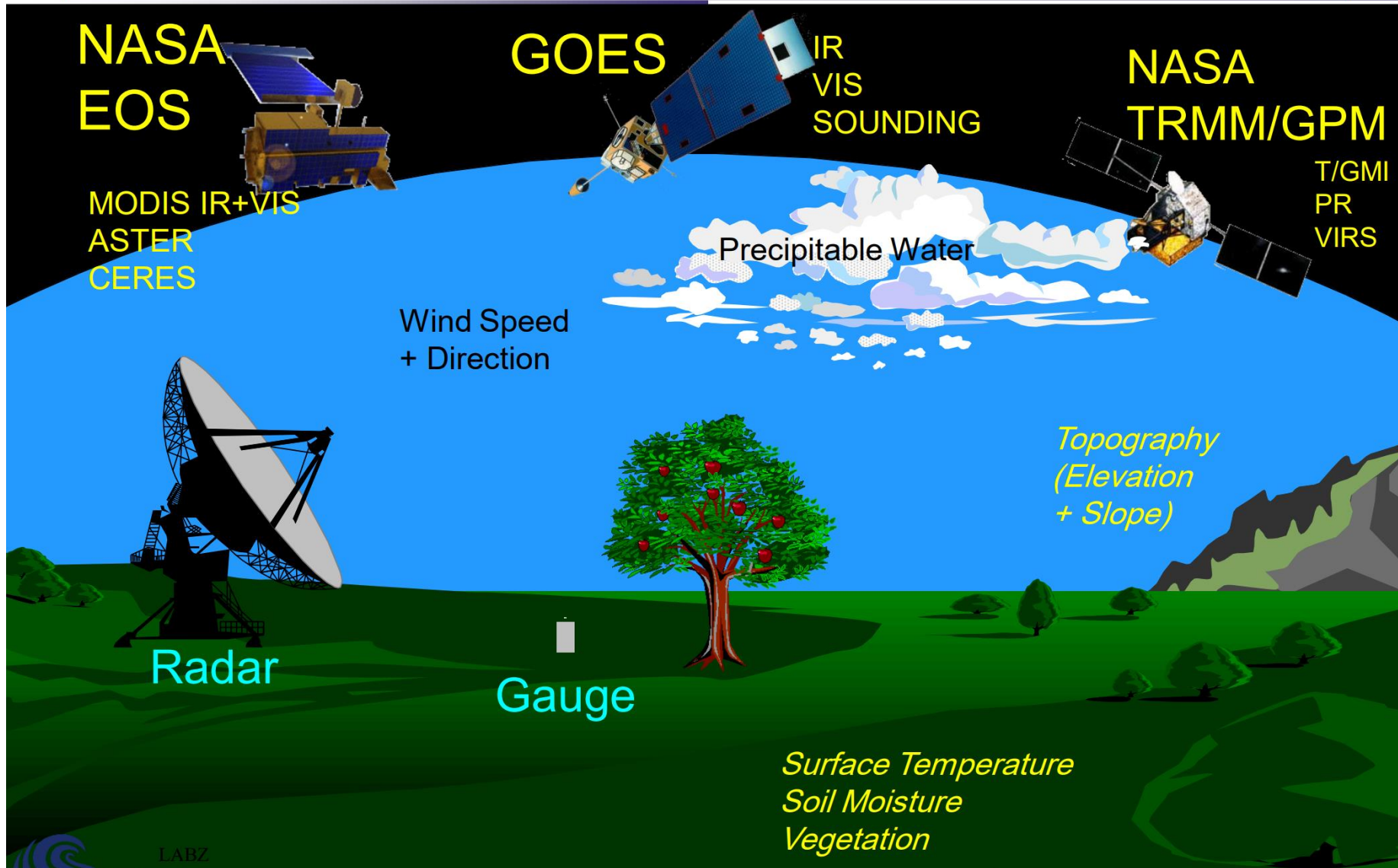


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GOES IR Temperature °K

More data more  
experience and  
accuracy



# Multiple-Source Rainfall Estimation



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**PERSIANN** Precipitation Estimation from Remotely Sensed Information using Artificial Neural Networks

**PERSIANN-CCS** PERSIANN-Cloud Classification System

**PERSIANN-CDR** PERSIANN-Climate Data Record

**PDIR-Now** PERSIANN-Dynamic Infrared Rain Rate near real-time

**PERSIANN-CCS-CDR** PERSIANN-CCS + PERSIANN-CDR

**Data Portal**

<https://chrsdata.eng.uci.edu/>

**iRain**



Accuracy  
Type of rain and clouds  
Spatial resolution

**PDIR-Now** PERSIANN-Dynamic Infrared Rain Rate near real-time

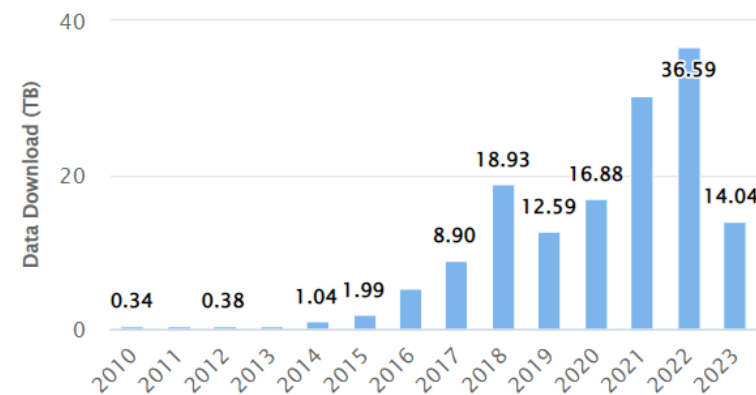
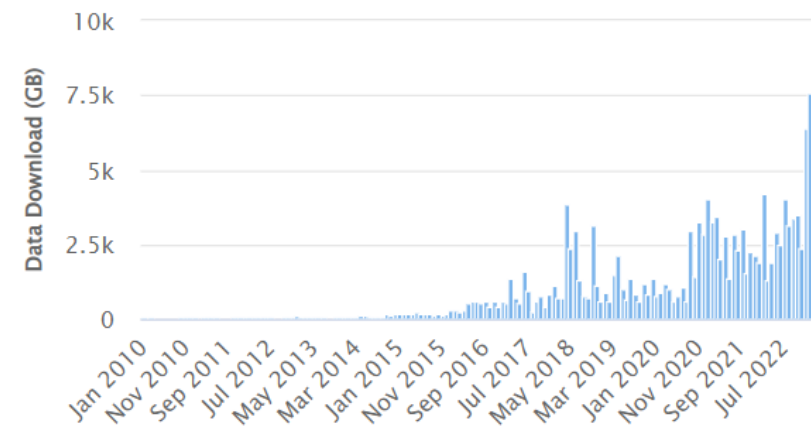
**RainSphere**



changes and trends in precipitation  
extreme precipitation events  
climate change and natural variability

**PERSIANN-CDR** (Precipitation Estimation from Remotely Sensed Information using Artificial Neural Networks - [Climate Data Record](#))

Data Download





# CHRS RainSphere

An Integrated System for Global Satellite Precipitation Data and Information

Inspiring research on hydroclimate and water resources

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### Map Layers

- Country
- Pol. Division
- Cont. Basin
- Major River
- Tributary
- Watershed
- Ocean-Cont.

### Rain Information

- Historical Satellite Observation
- Future IPCC Projection

### Rain Layers

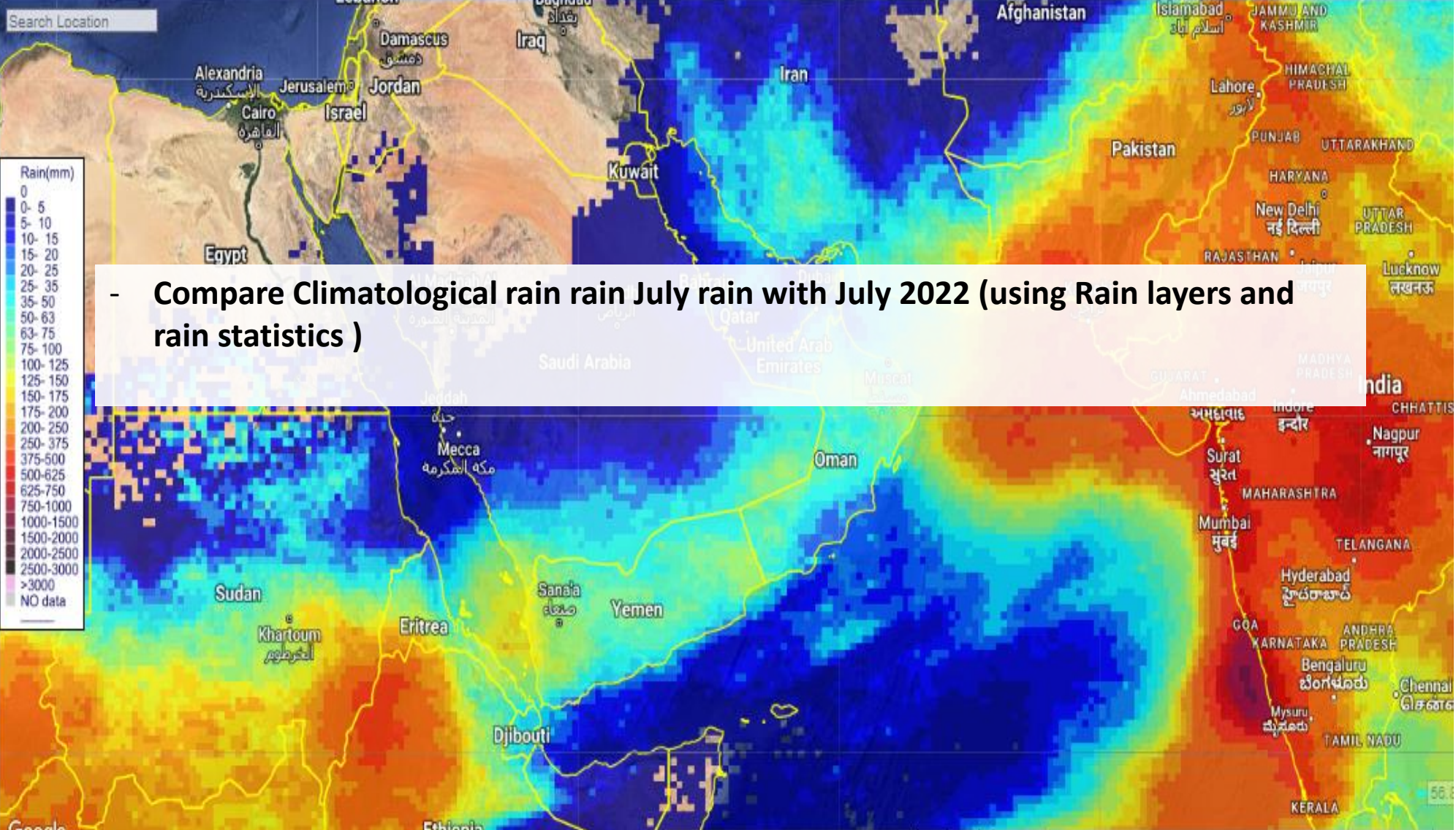
- Accumulative
  - Yearly
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- Year: 2022 Month: 07
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### Rain Layers Comparison

- Side by Side Compare

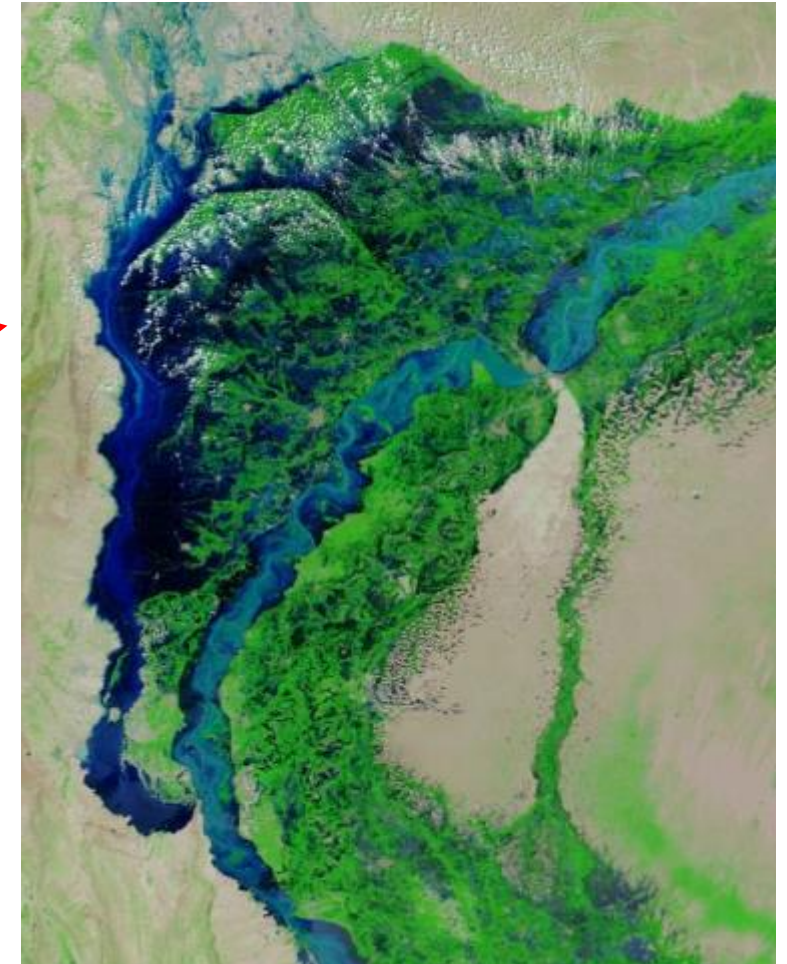
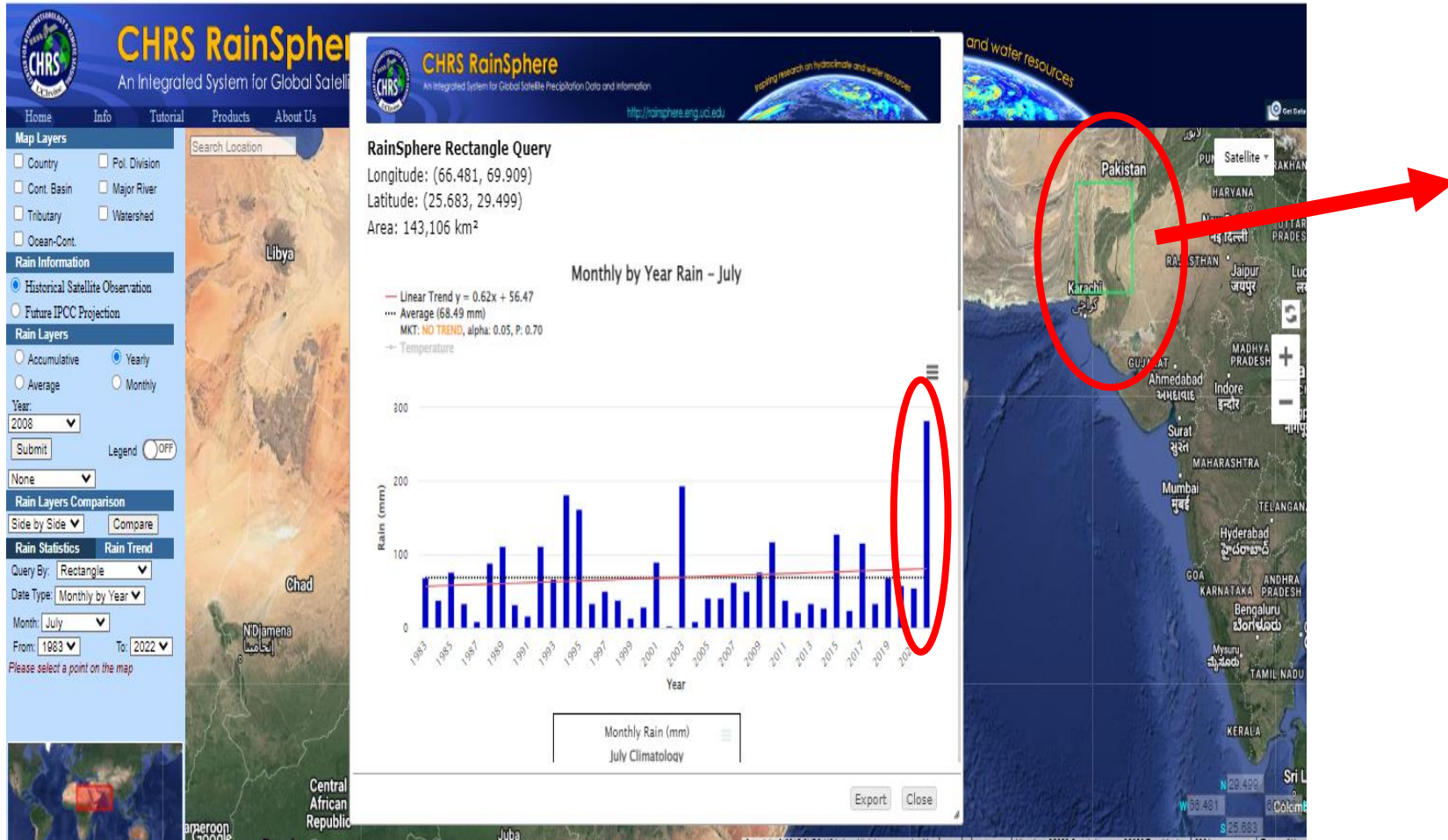
### Rain Statistics Rain Trend

- Query By: Rectangle
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- Select Date (limit 366 days)
- 2022-07-01 2022-07-31
- Please select a point on the map



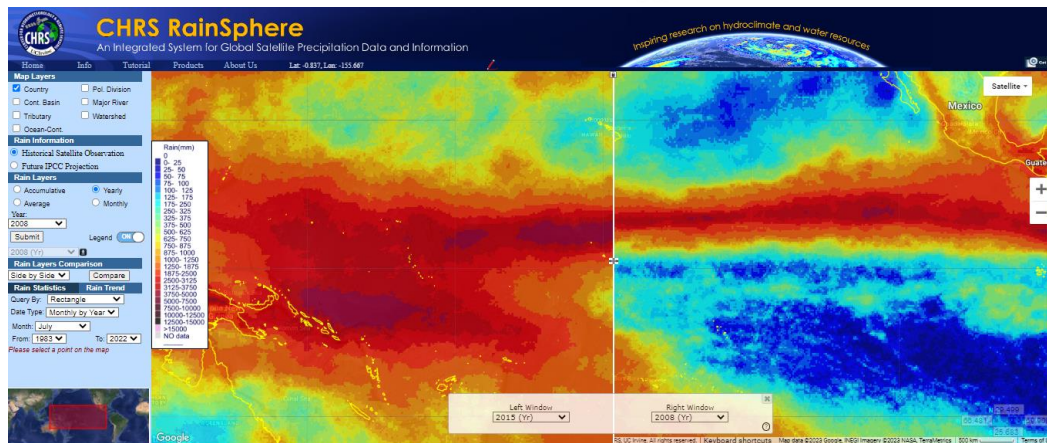
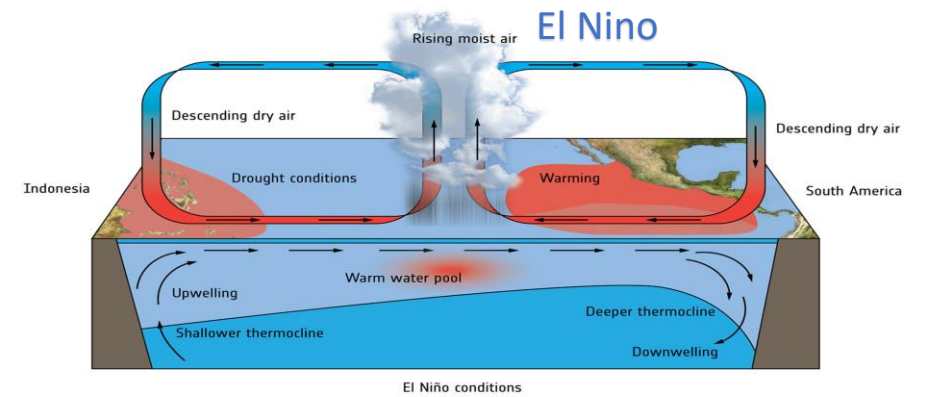
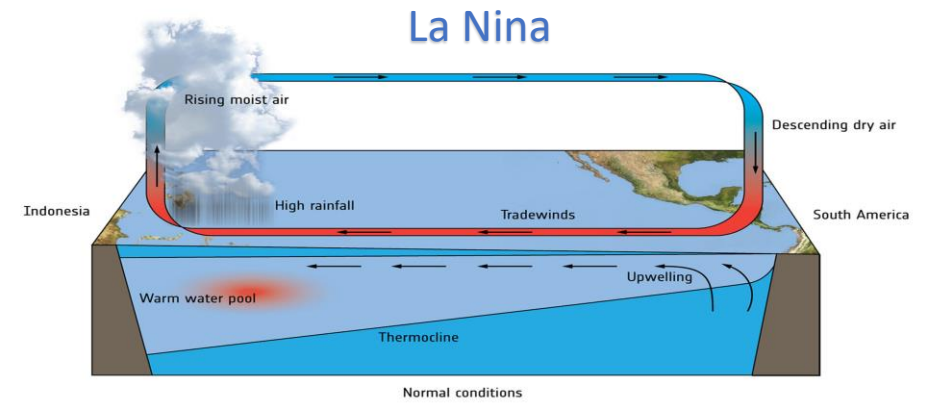
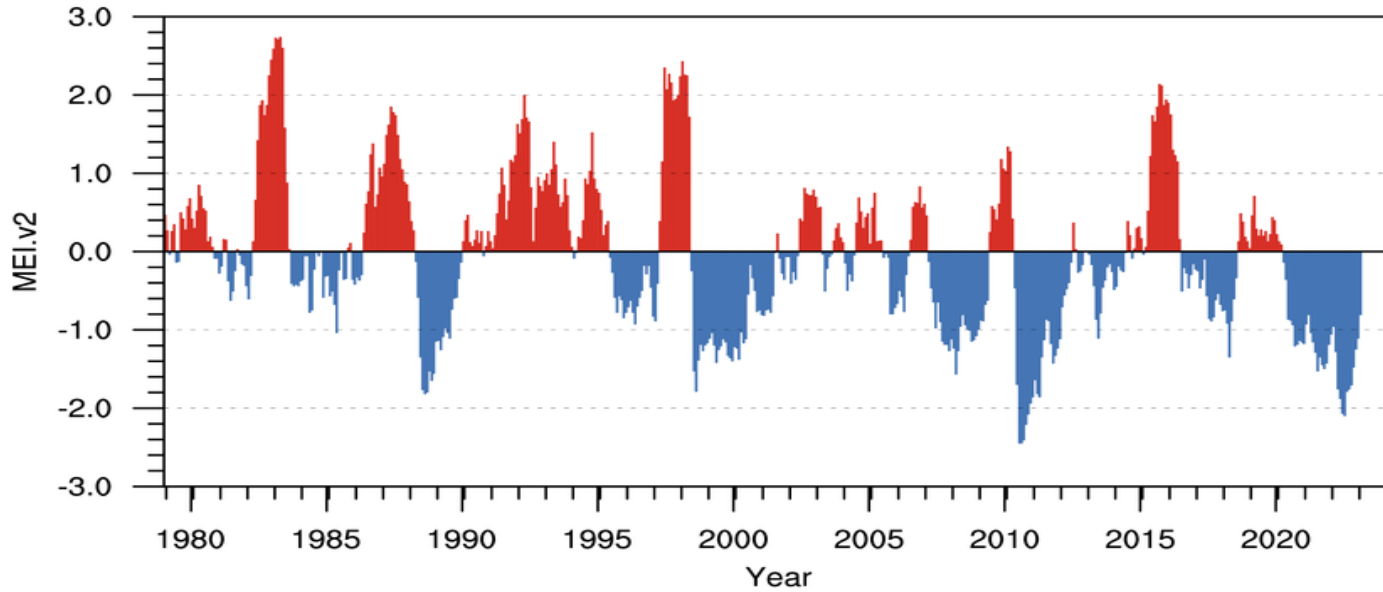
- Compare Climatological rain July rain with July 2022 (using Rain layers and rain statistics)

# Flood over Pakistan July-Aug 2022



# Compare La Nina and El Nino rain and see if there is impact over Middle East / globally !

Multivariate ENSO Index Version 2



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