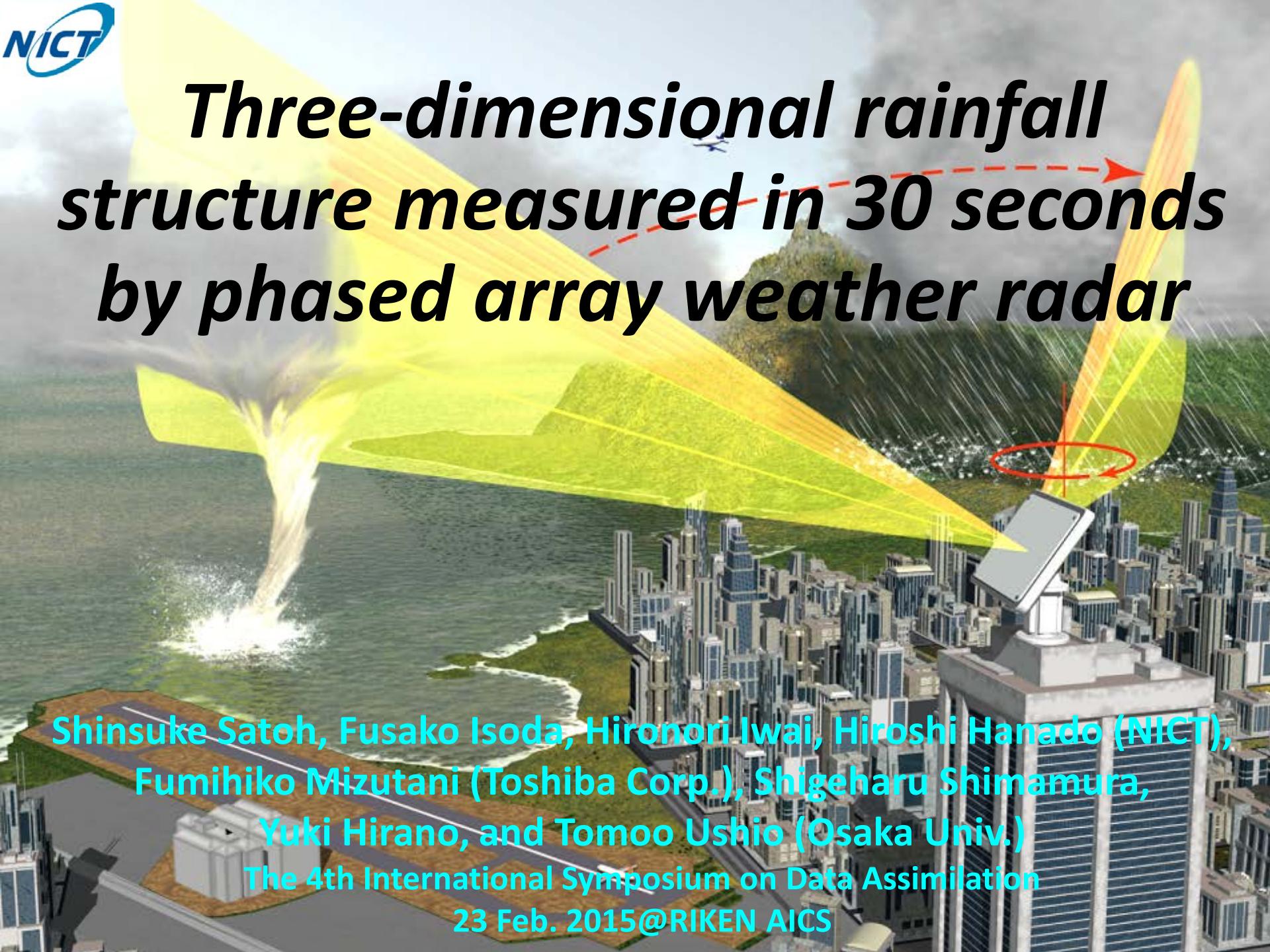


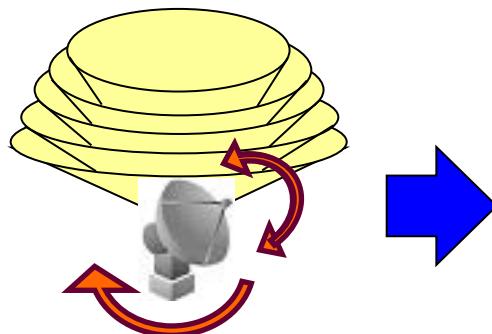
Three-dimensional rainfall structure measured in 30 seconds by phased array weather radar



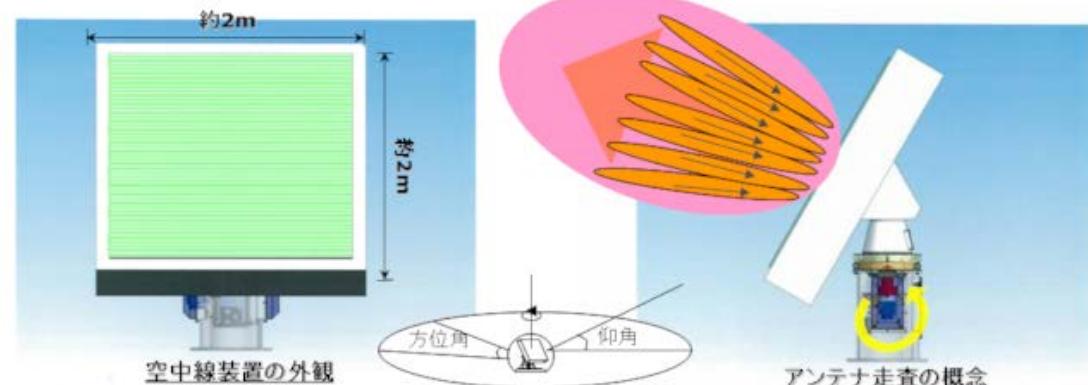
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Introduction

- We developed the X-band phased array weather radar (PAWR) to watch and predict severe weather disasters caused by localized heavy rainfalls or tornadoes. The PAWR measures 3-dimentional fine structure of rainfall with 100 m range resolution and about 100 elevation angles in 30 seconds was developed.
- The first PAWR was installed at Osaka University, Suita in 2012, and the second PAWR was install at NICT advanced ICT Research Institute, Kobe in 2014.
- 3D rainfall structure in 1) an isolated cumulonimbus, 2) a rain band in the Baiu season, and 3) developing convective cloud (dual-Doppler analysis).



3-dim measurement using
a parabolic antenna
(15 EL angles in 5 min)



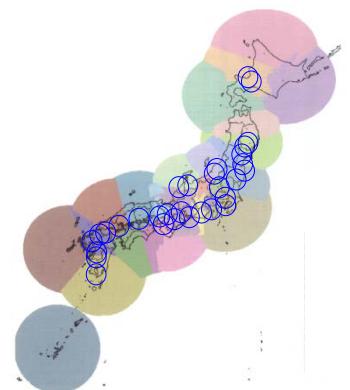
3-dim measurement using phased array radar
(110 EL angles in 30 sec)



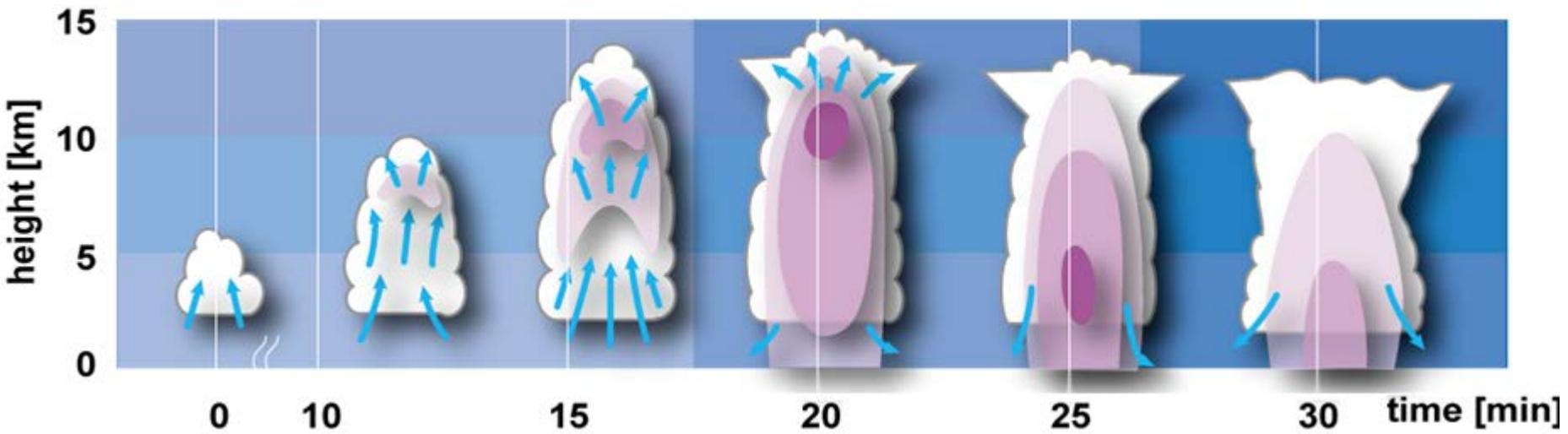
Flash flood in Toga river
(28 July 2008)



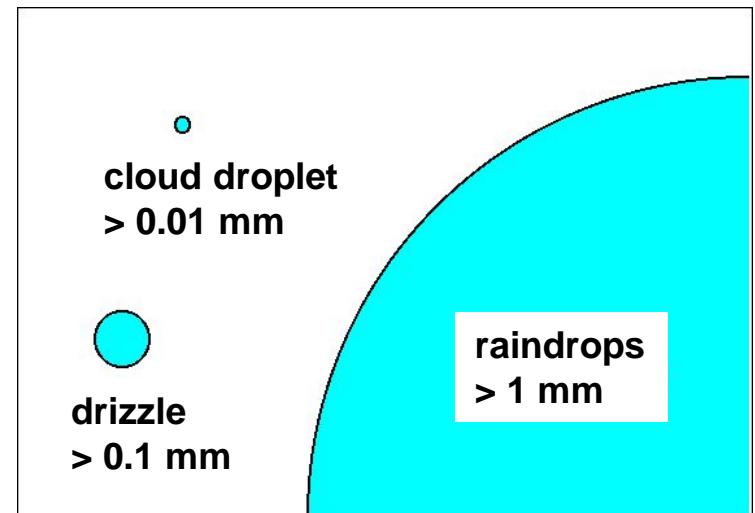
Tornado in Tsukuba
(6 May 2012)



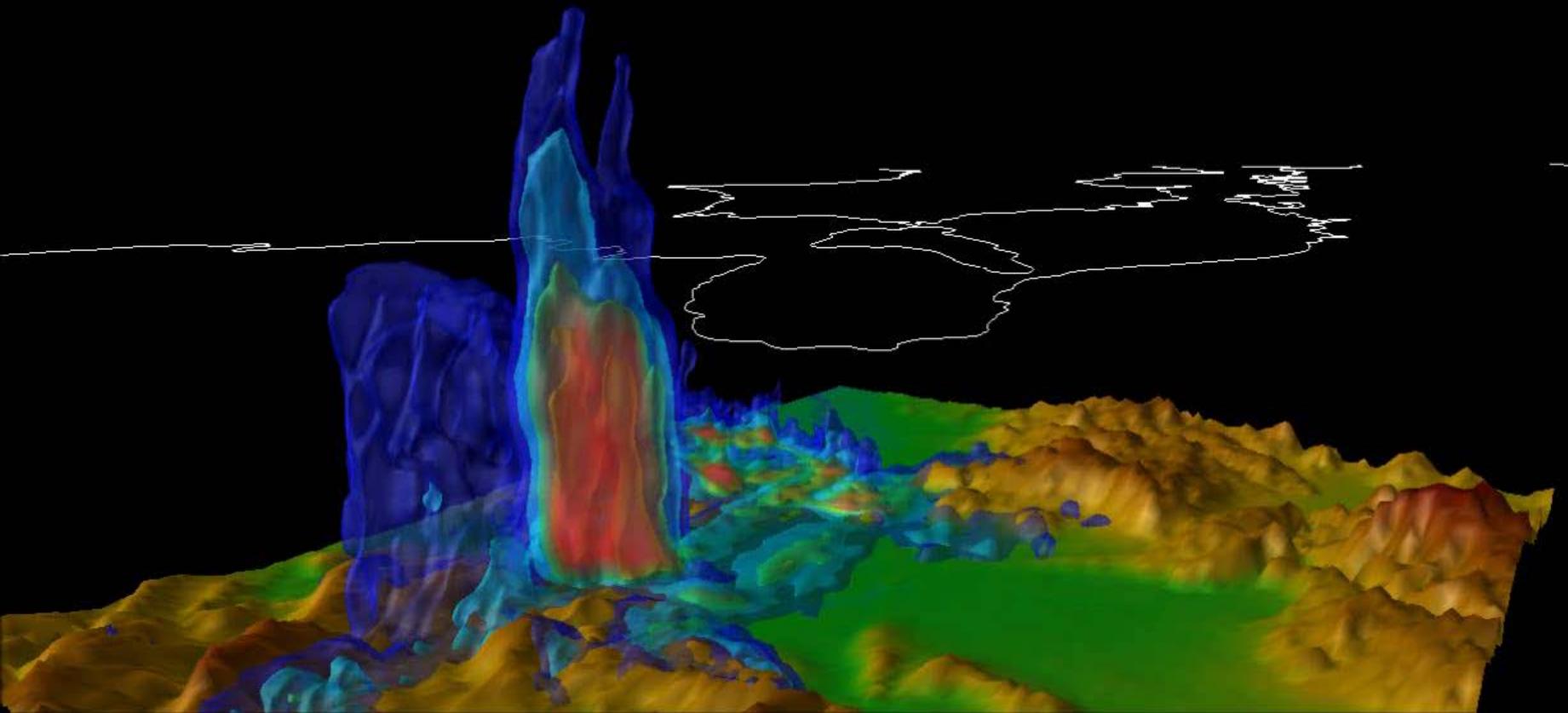
MLIT operational C-band radar (colored area) and X-band MP radar (○) network.



- (1) growth of cloud droplets in cumulus updrafts
- (2) increase of droplet size in upper levels
- (3) large droplets detected by radar (first echo)
- (4) raindrops falls to the ground at a rate of 4-5 km in 10 min.
- (5) The life time of a cumulus cloud is 30-60 min.



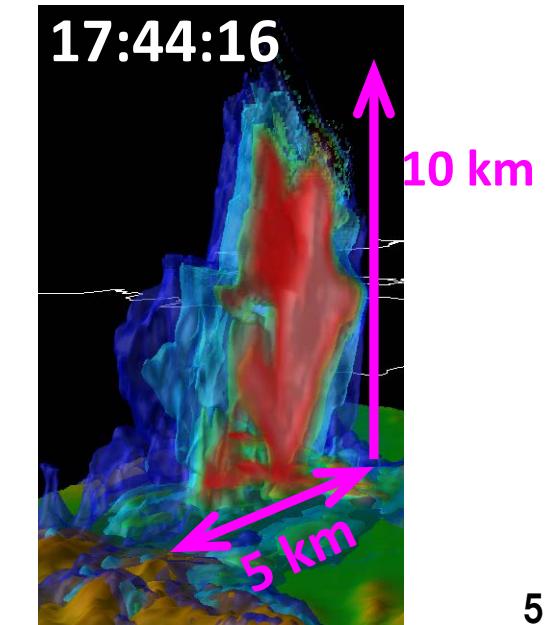
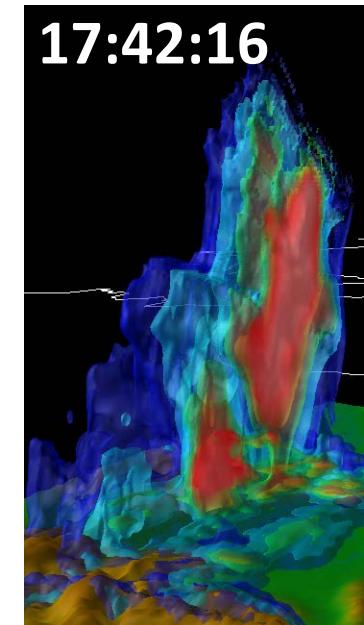
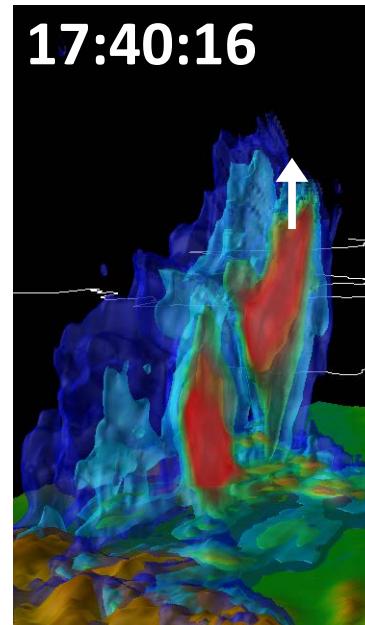
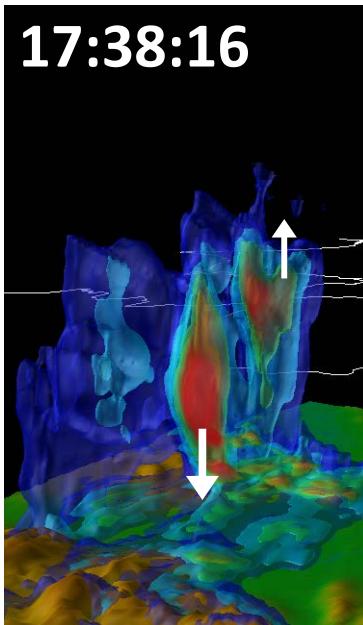
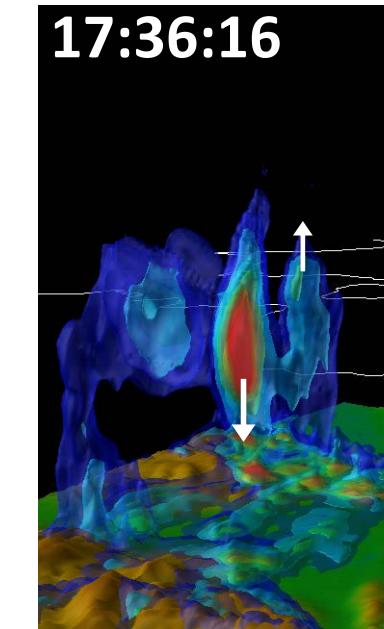
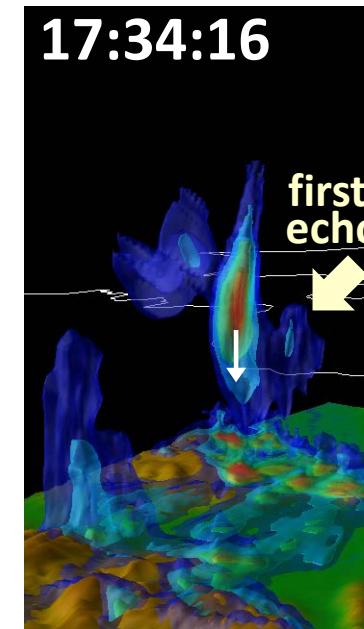
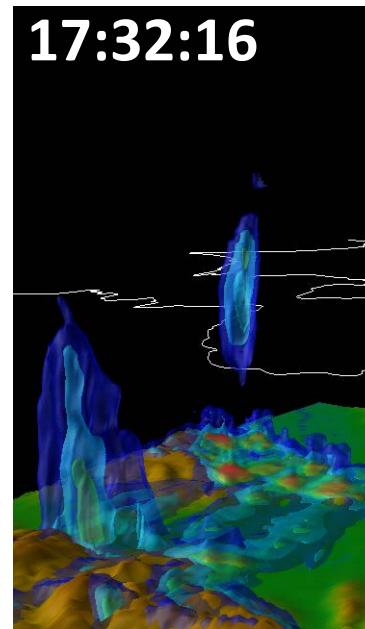
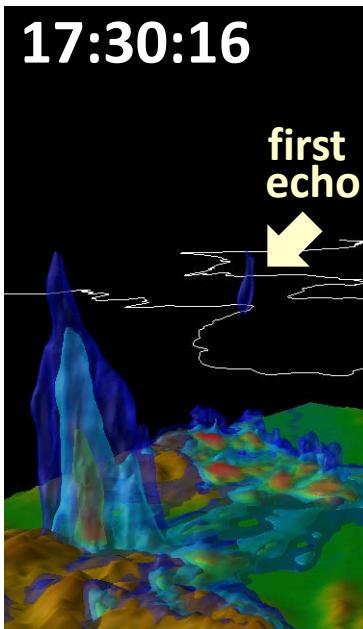
Localized heavy rainfall in a cumulonimbus



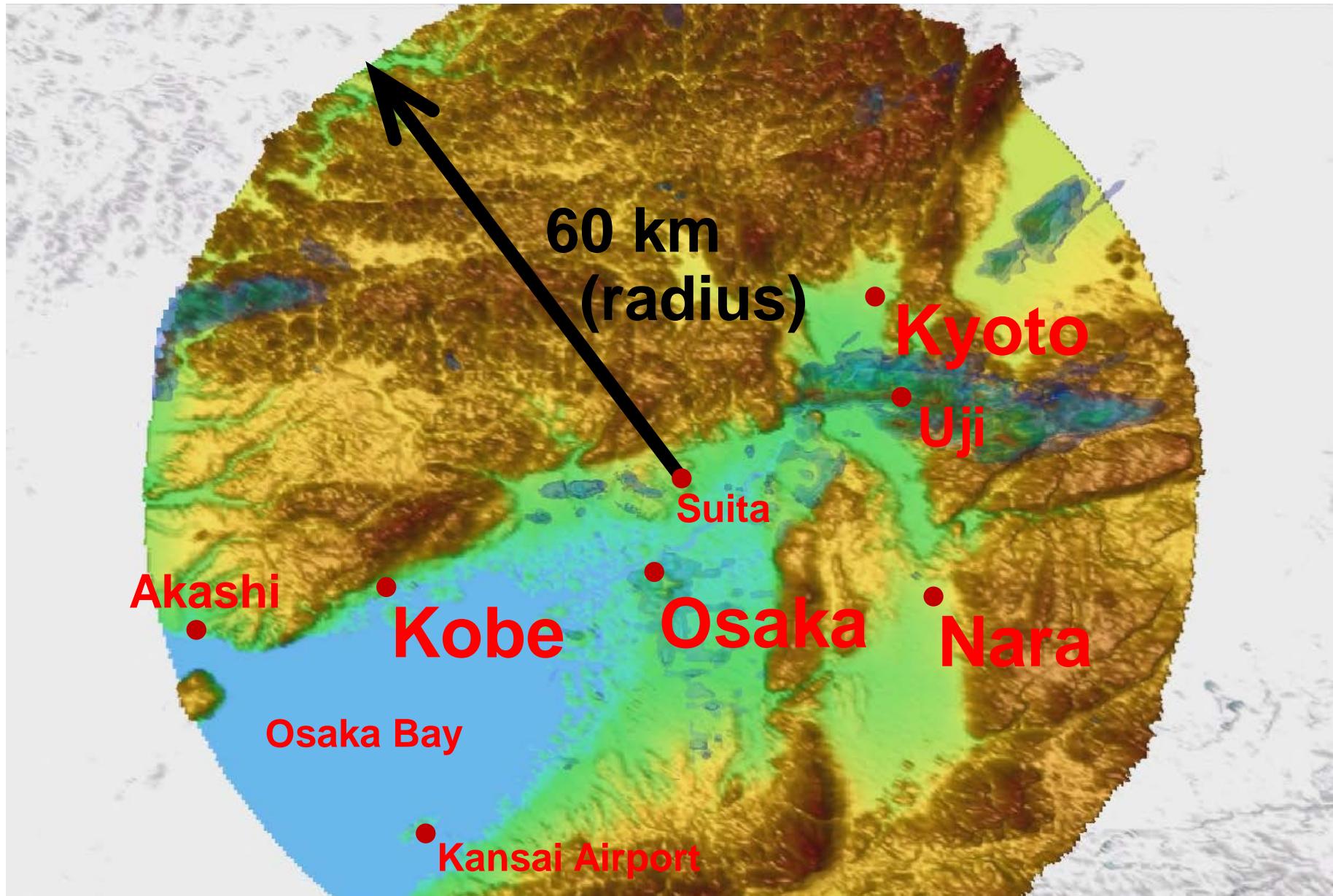
Three-dimensional distribution of precipitation over Kyo-tanabe city observed by PAWR from 17:20:16 to 18:10:46, July 26, 2012. View from the North-East, 100m grid size, and 30 seconds time interval.

Precip. development in an isolated cumulonimbus

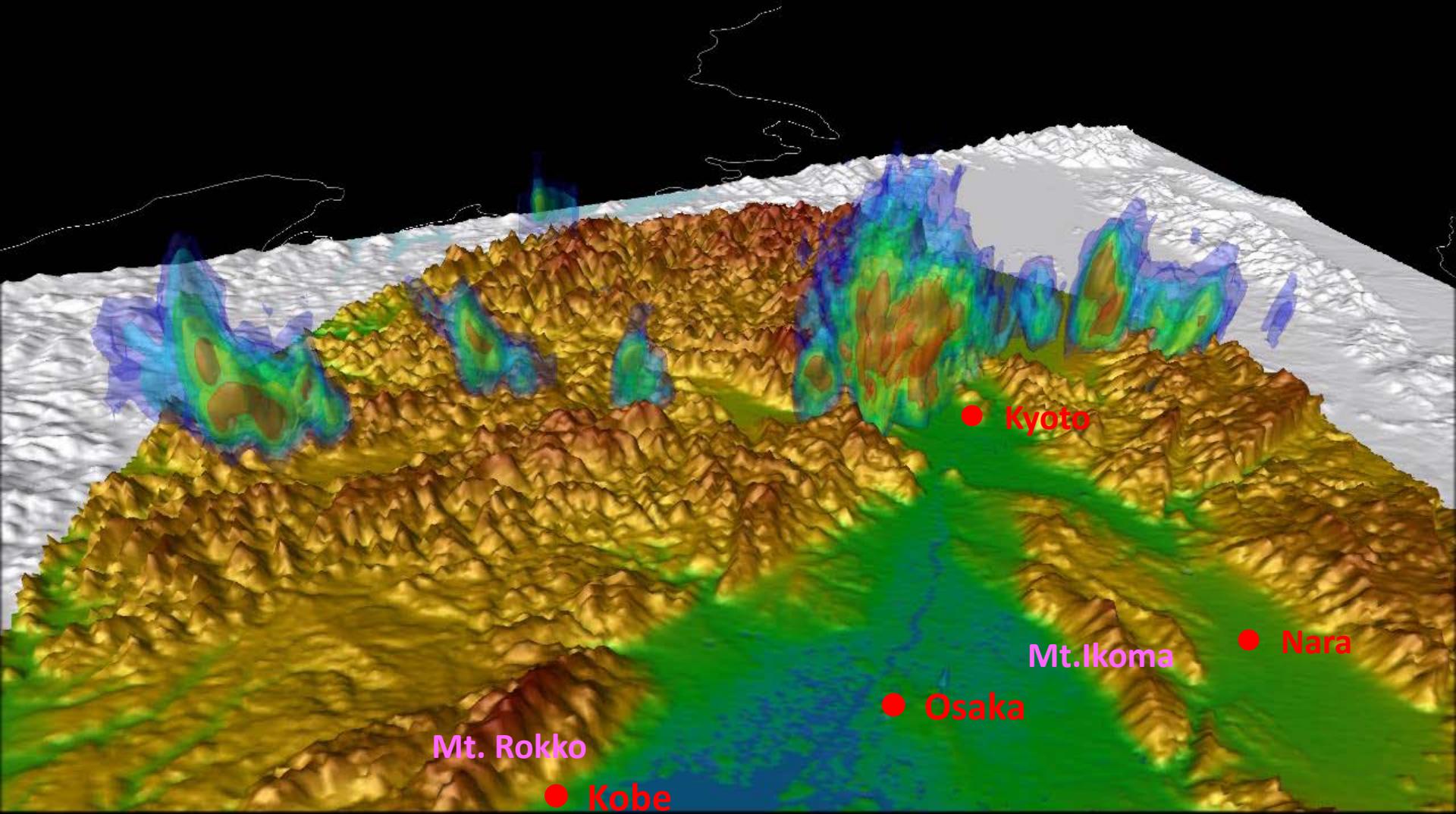
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Observation range of the PAWR in Suita

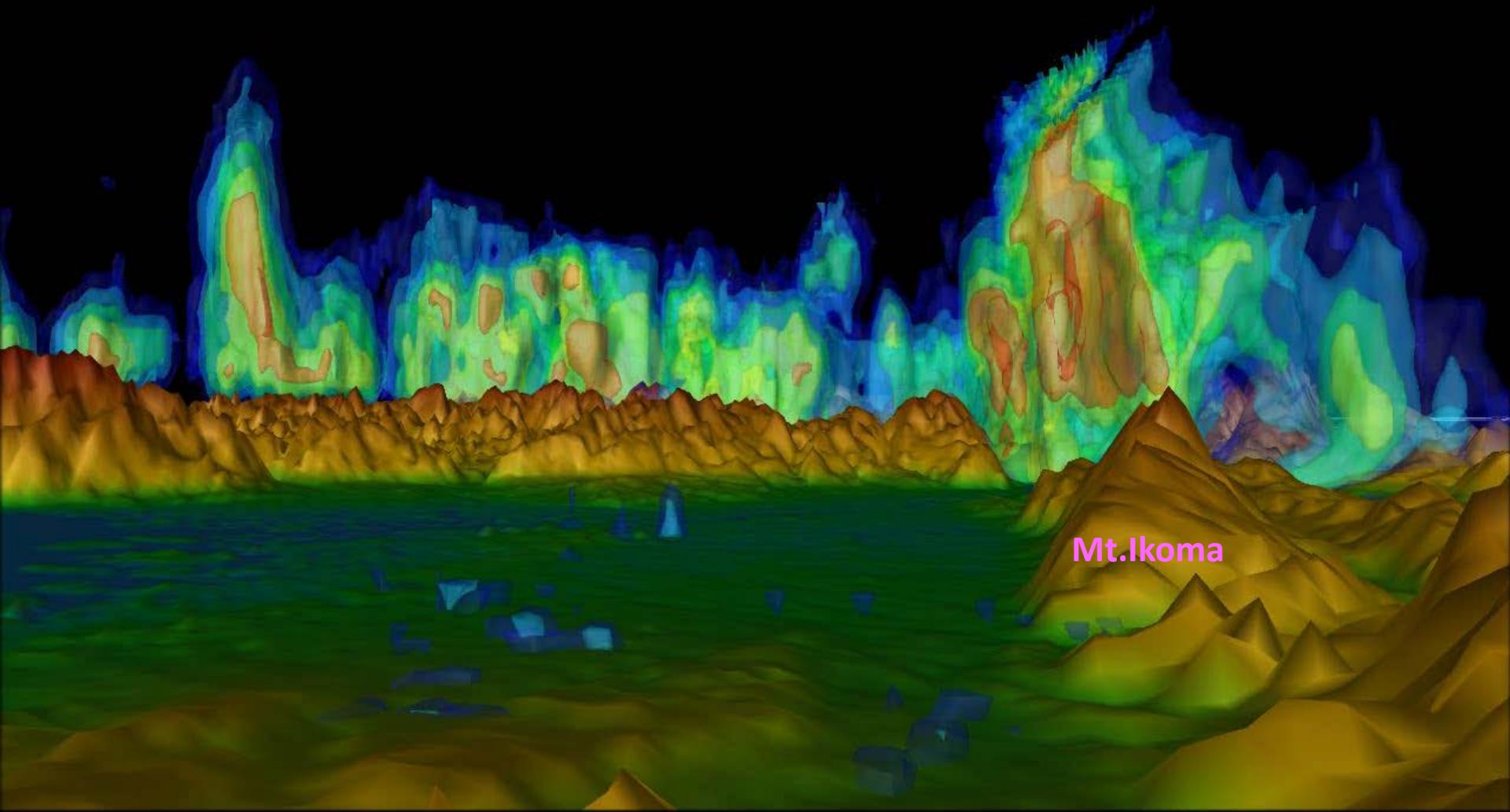


NICT Rain band in the Baiu season (14:00-16:20, July 13, 2013)



3D rain distribution observed by PAWR from 14:00 to 16:20, July 13, 2013.
Look-down view from upper Osaka-bay, 250m grid size, and 30 seconds
time interval.
(10 fps → 300 times speed) 7

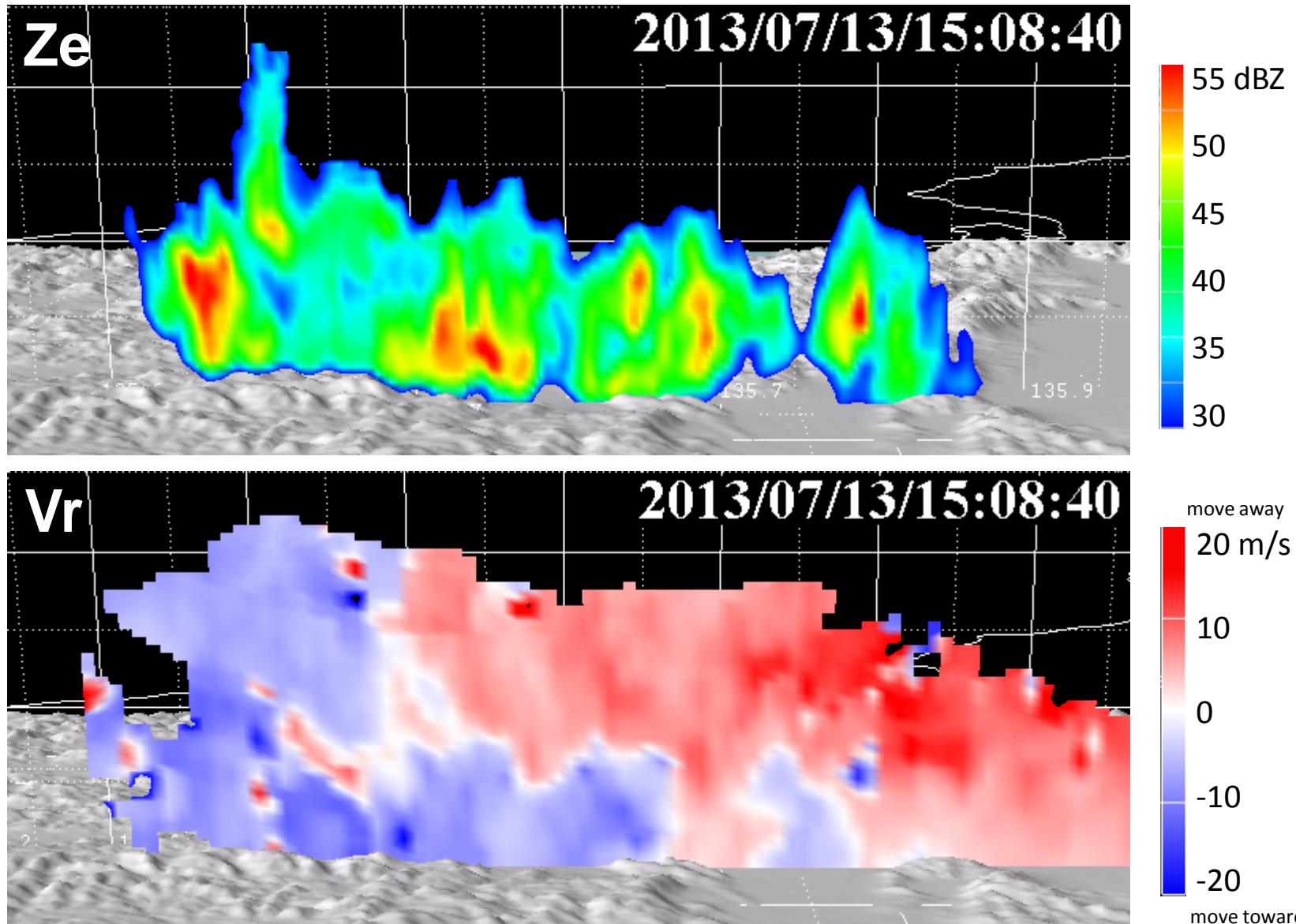
NICT Another view of Rain band (15:20-16:20, July 13, 2013)



3D rain distribution from 15:20 to 16:20, July 13, 2013. Look-up view from the Osaka plain, double scale of topography height.

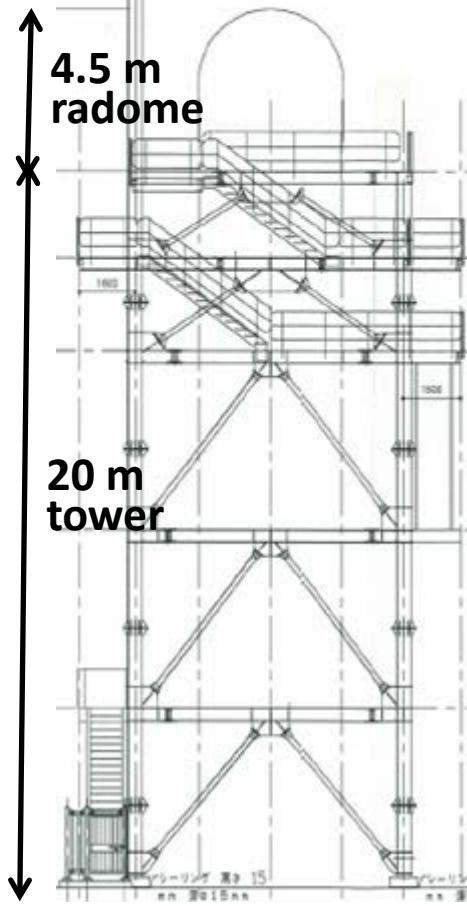
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Reflectivity and Doppler vel. in a vertical slice



PANDA: Phased Array weather radar and Doppler Lidar Network fusion DATA system

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PANDA sensor fusion system



Doppler lidar



Microwave radiometer



Sky radiometer



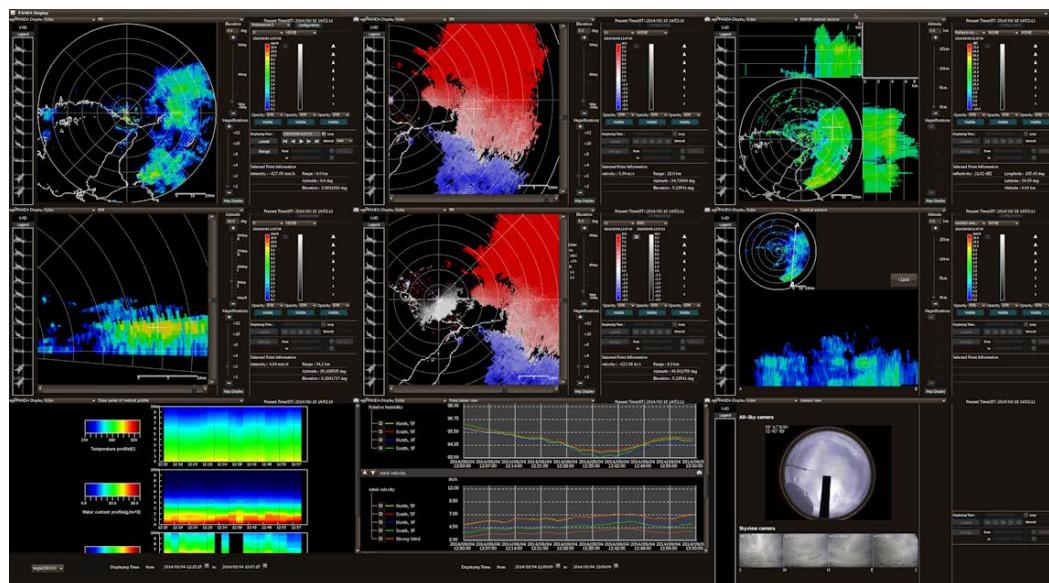
Ultrasonic wind sensor
Thermo-hygrometer



Cloud watching camera



All-sky camera

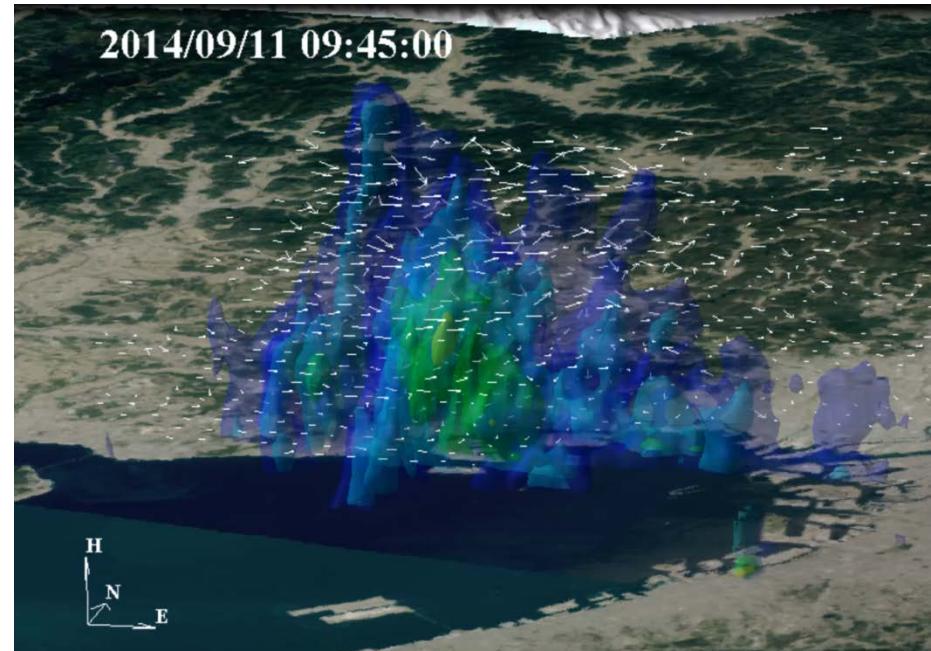
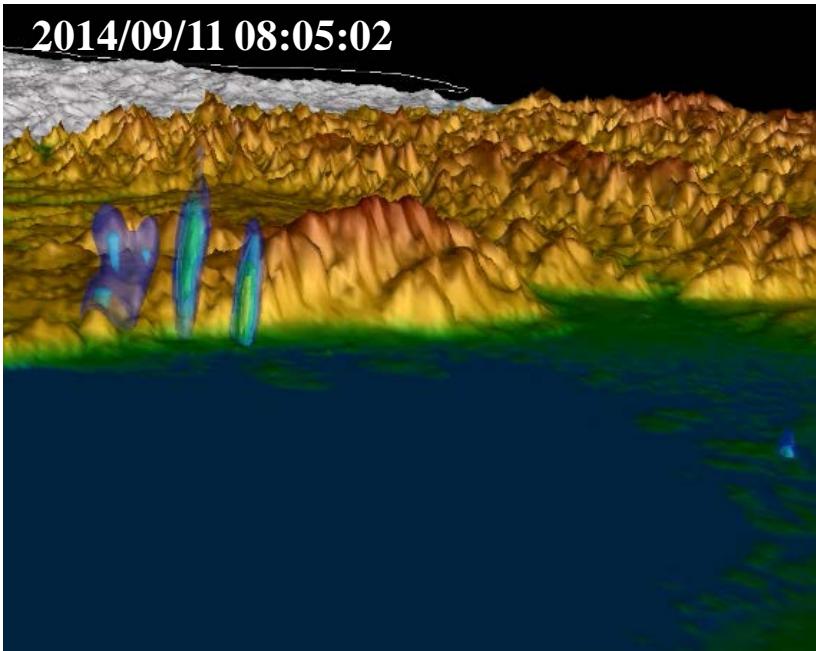
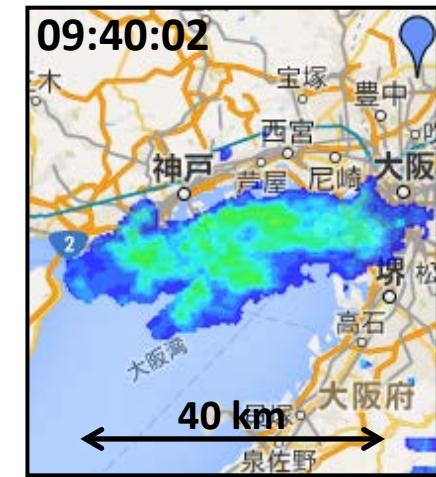


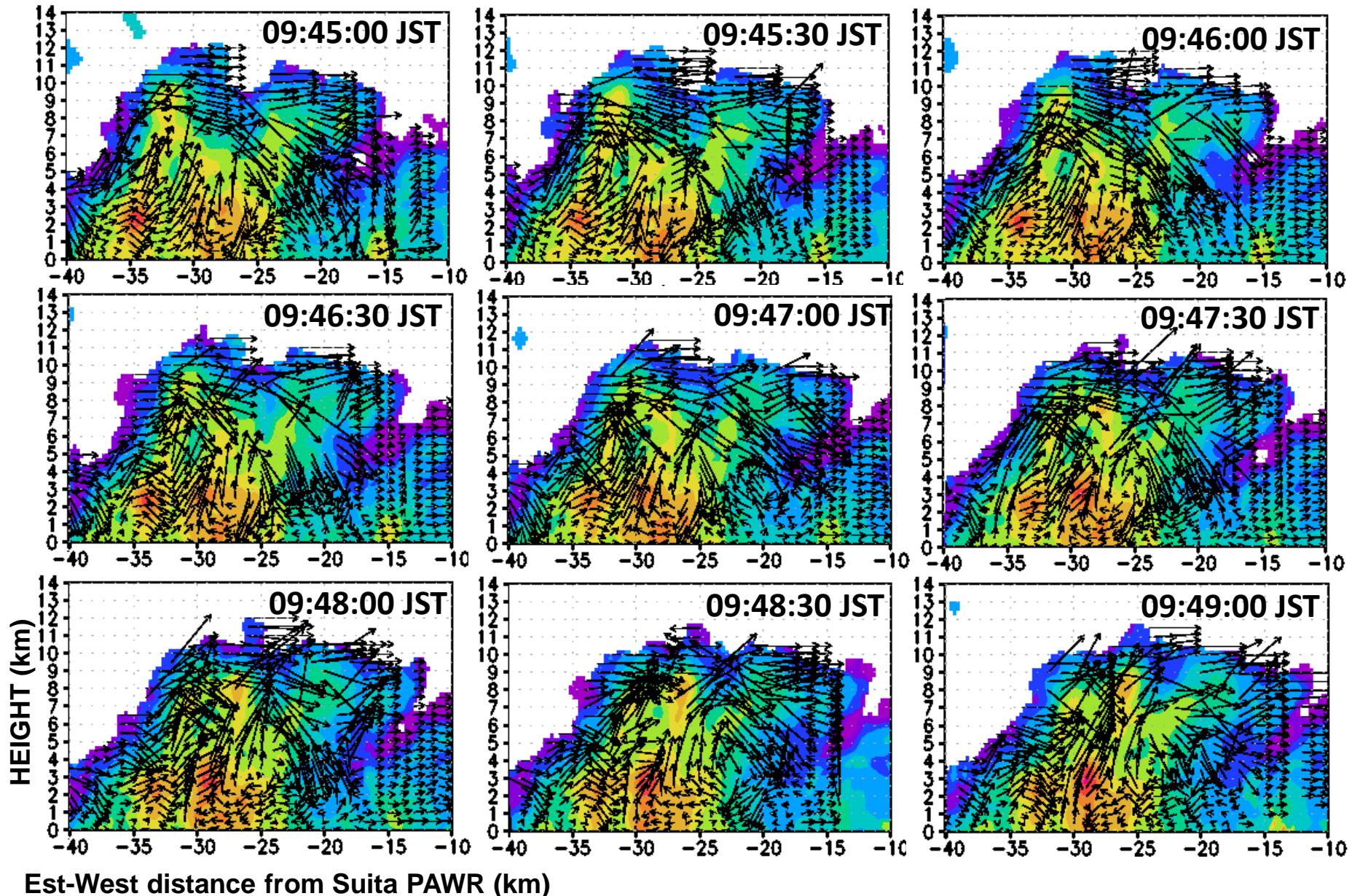
← Sensor fusion data visualized
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NICT Observation range of Kobe & Suita PAWR

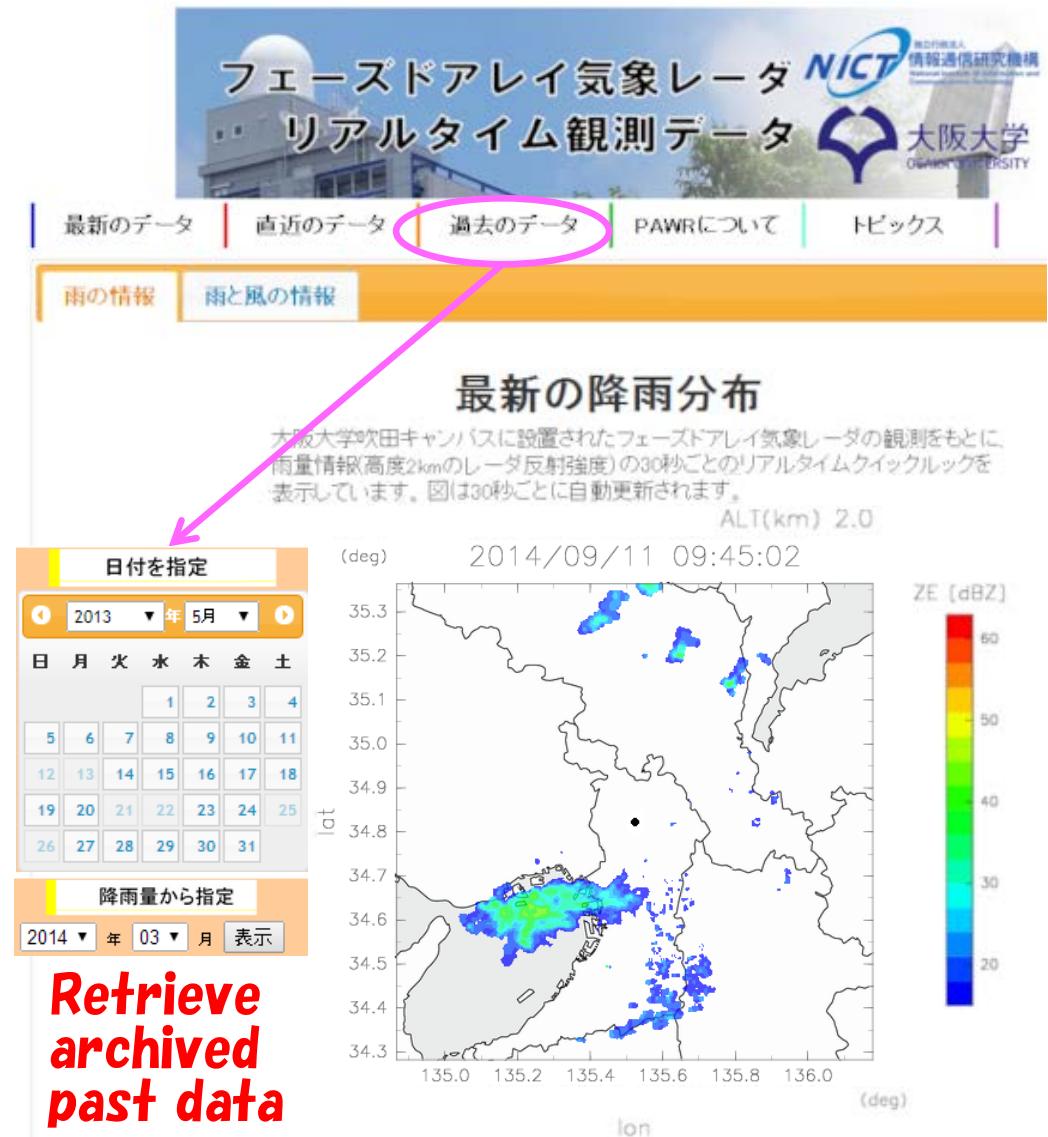


NICT *Developing convective cloud (18:00-10:00, Sep 11, 2014)*





NICT PAWR Web Page (<http://pawr.nict.go.jp/>)

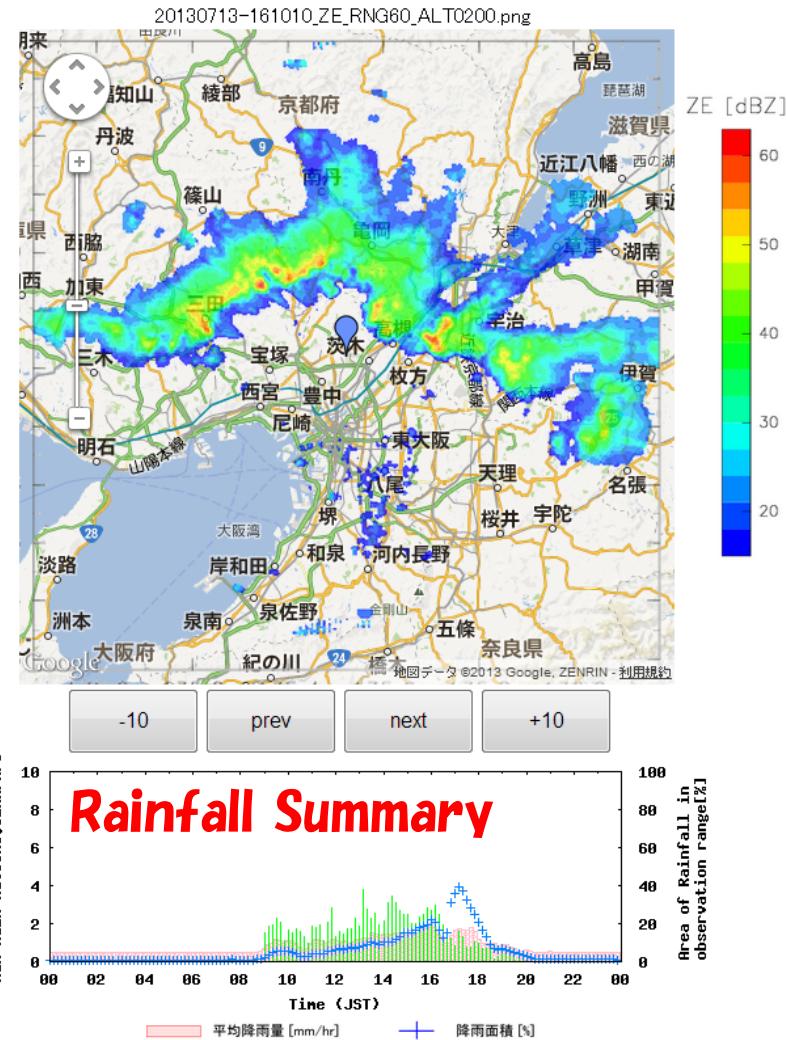


Retrieve
archived
past data

Real time display (within 1 min of obs)

動作環境: Internet Explorer 11, Firefox 29.0, Google Chrome 34.0以上
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2013/07/13 16:10:10 Google maps display



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Summary and future work

- The phased array weather radar (PAWR) measures 3-dim rainfall structure with high spatial-temporal resolution (100 m, 100 EL angles, 30 seconds).
- Three rainfall events observed by PAWR were introduced using 3D visualization images.
 - 1) An isolated cumulonimbus (July 26, 2012)
 - 2) Rain band in the Baiu season (July 13, 2013)
 - 3) Developing convective cloud (Sep 11, 2014)
- For the study of radar data assimilation:
 - 1) data quality control (to cancel noise/clutter data, to estimate error variance in the observation)
 - 2) effective preprocessing (dual-Doppler analysis?)
 - 3) real-time data distribution