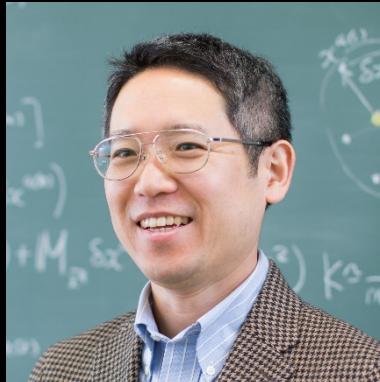


Big Data Assimilation

A New Science for Weather Prediction and Beyond



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Who am I?

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JMA administration (2y)



JMA NWP (1.25y)



UMD (2y, M.S. and Ph.D.)



JMA NWP (3.5y)



UMD (4y)



RIKEN (6y+)



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New “Fugaku” or “富岳” is being developed



Data Assimilation Research Team

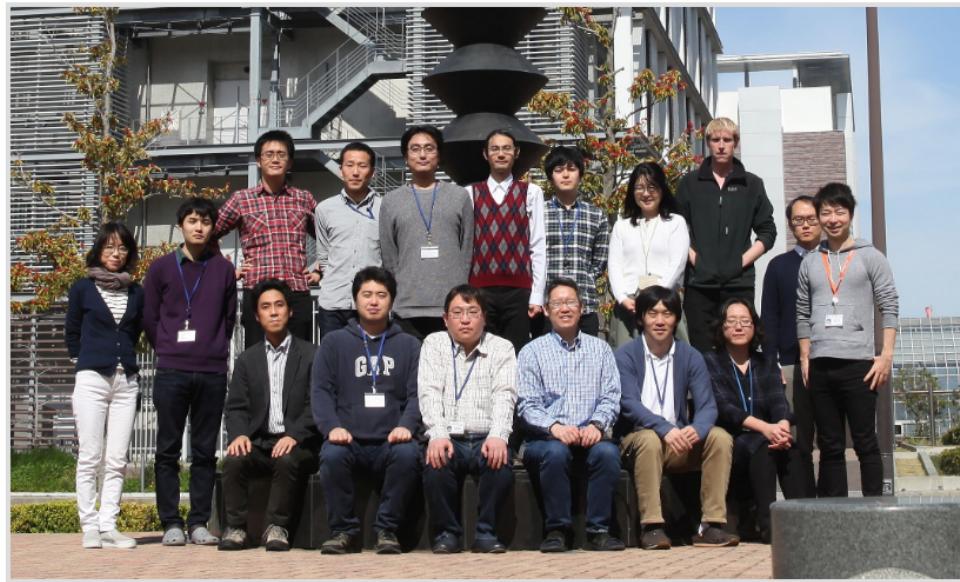


Data Assimilation Research Team

Data Assimilation Research Team was launched in October, 2012, in RIKEN Advanced Institute for Computational Science (AICS), conveniently located in the beautiful and historic city of Kobe. [RIKEN](#) is known as the flagship research institution in Japan. On April 1, 2018, RIKEN AICS was renamed [RIKEN Center for Computational Science \(R-CCS\)](#). R-CCS is operating the world's leading K computer, and also has a strong Research Division. R-CCS takes the lead in advancing the computational science and aims to be an international center of excellence for computational science in collaboration with a wide range of research organizations. R-CCS integrates the computer science and computational science to conduct most advanced research and development of a wide range of applied scientific computation, as well as of high performance computing technologies.

Data assimilation is a cross-disciplinary science to synergize numerical simulations and observational data, using statistical methods and applied mathematics. As computers become more powerful and enable more precise simulations, it will become more important to compare the simulation with actual observations.

Data Assimilation Research Team ("DA team") performs cutting-edge research and development on advanced data assimilation methods and their wide applications, aiming at integrating computer simulations and observational data in the wisest way. Particularly, the DA team will tackle challenging problems of developing efficient and accurate data assimilation systems for high-dimensional simulations with large amount of data. The specific areas include 1) research on parallel-efficient algorithms for data assimilation with the super-parallel K computer, 2) research on data assimilation methods and applications by taking advantage of the world-leading K computer, and 3) development of most advanced data assimilation software optimized for the K computer.



April 5, 2019 at R-CCS



<http://www.data-assimilation.riken.jp/>

Team Leader	Research Scientist	Research Scientist	Research Scientist (Excellent Young Researcher)

| Postdoctoral Researcher |
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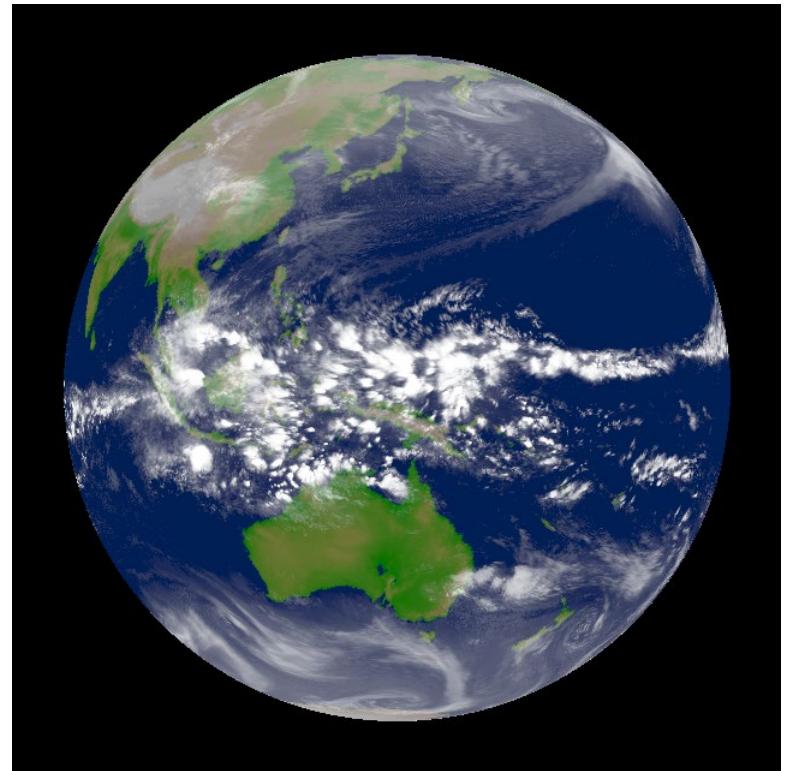
Research Associate	Technical Staff	Technical Staff	Technical Staff	Technical Staff

Which is real, or a simulation?

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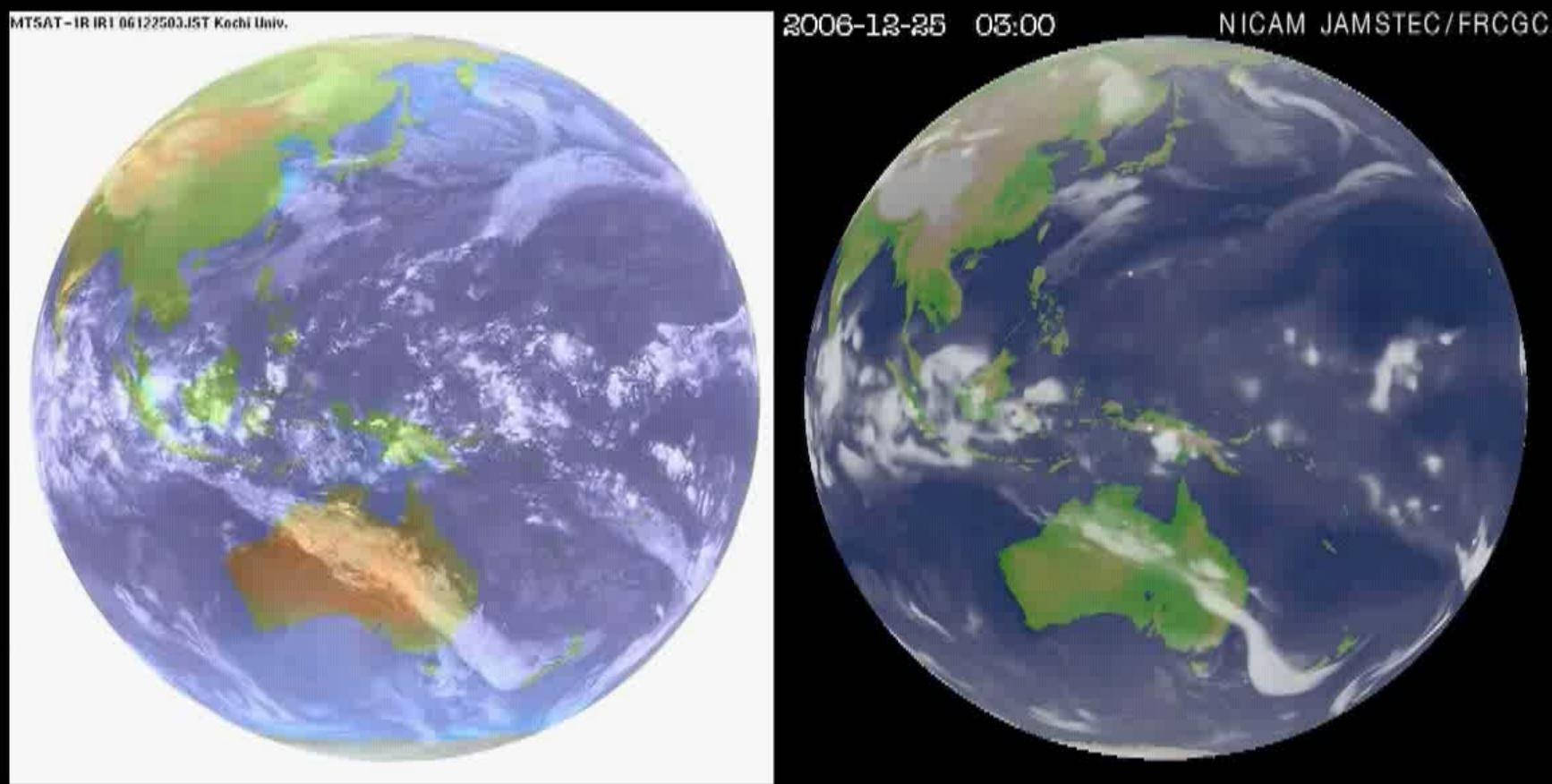


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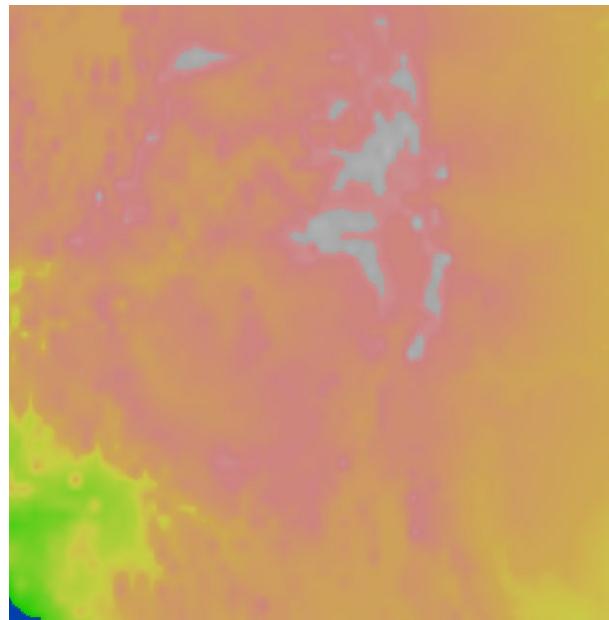
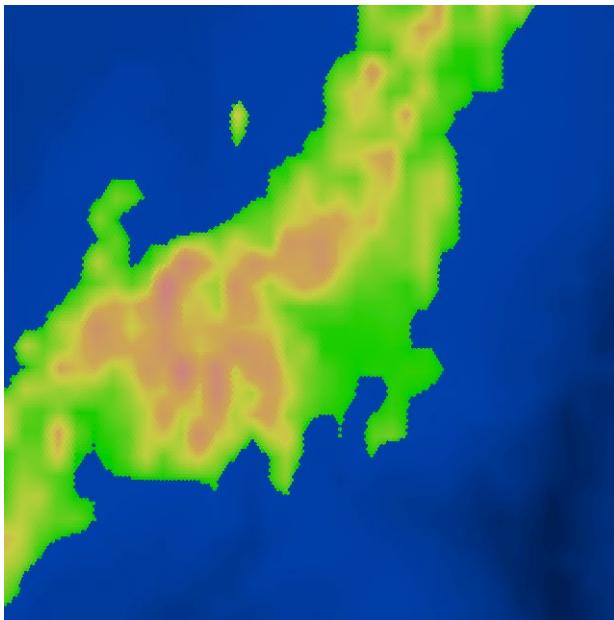
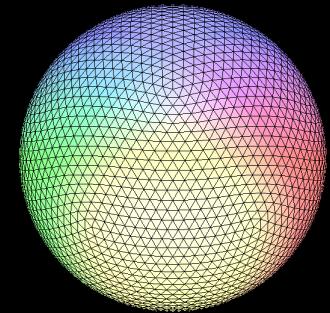
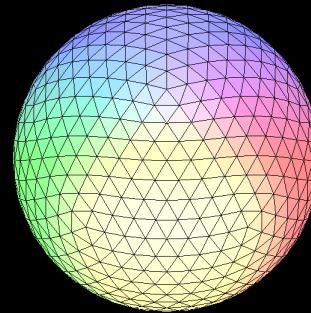
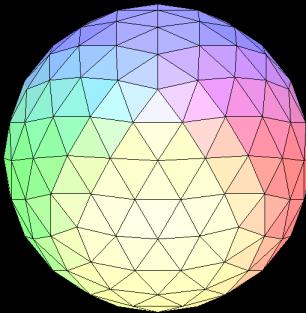
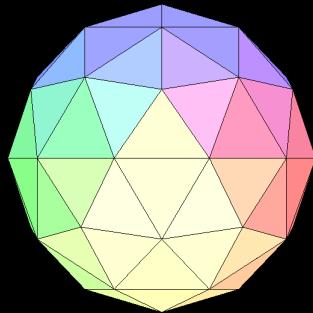
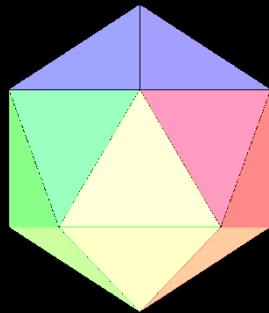
Simulation of global weather



Method for weather simulation

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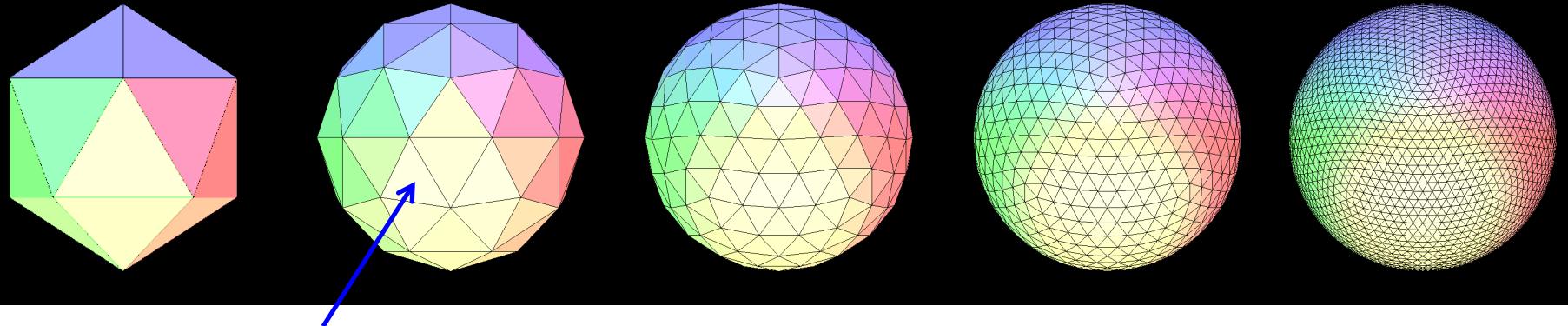
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$\Delta x \sim 480$ km
 $\Delta x \sim 240$ km
 $\Delta x \sim 120$ km
 $\Delta x \sim 60$ km
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 $\Delta x \sim 15$ km
 $\Delta x \sim 7.5$ km
 $\Delta x \sim 3.75$ km

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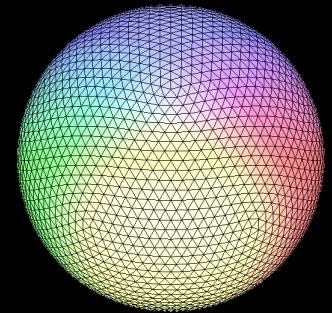
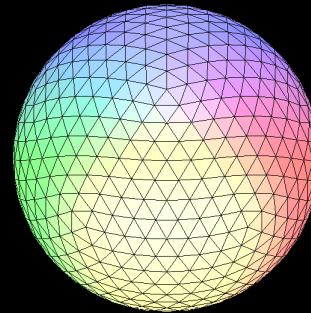
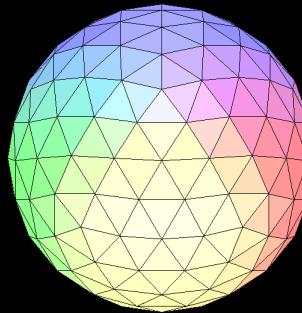
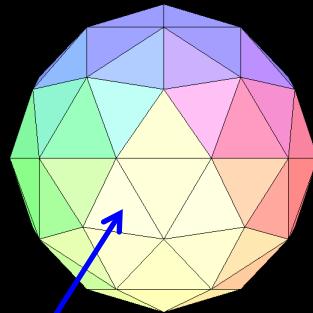
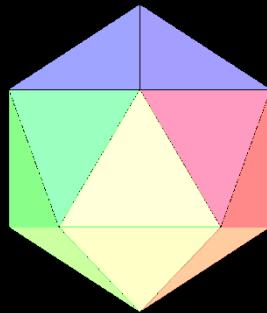
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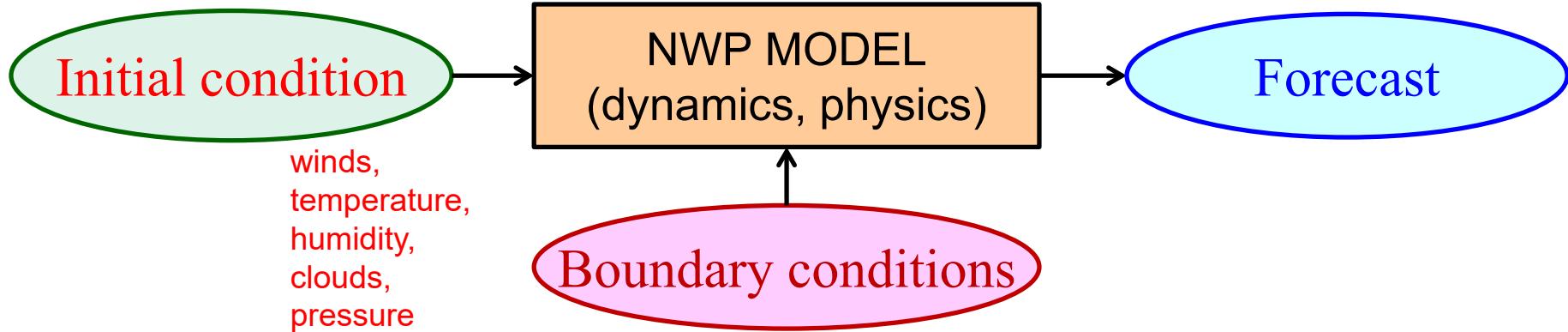
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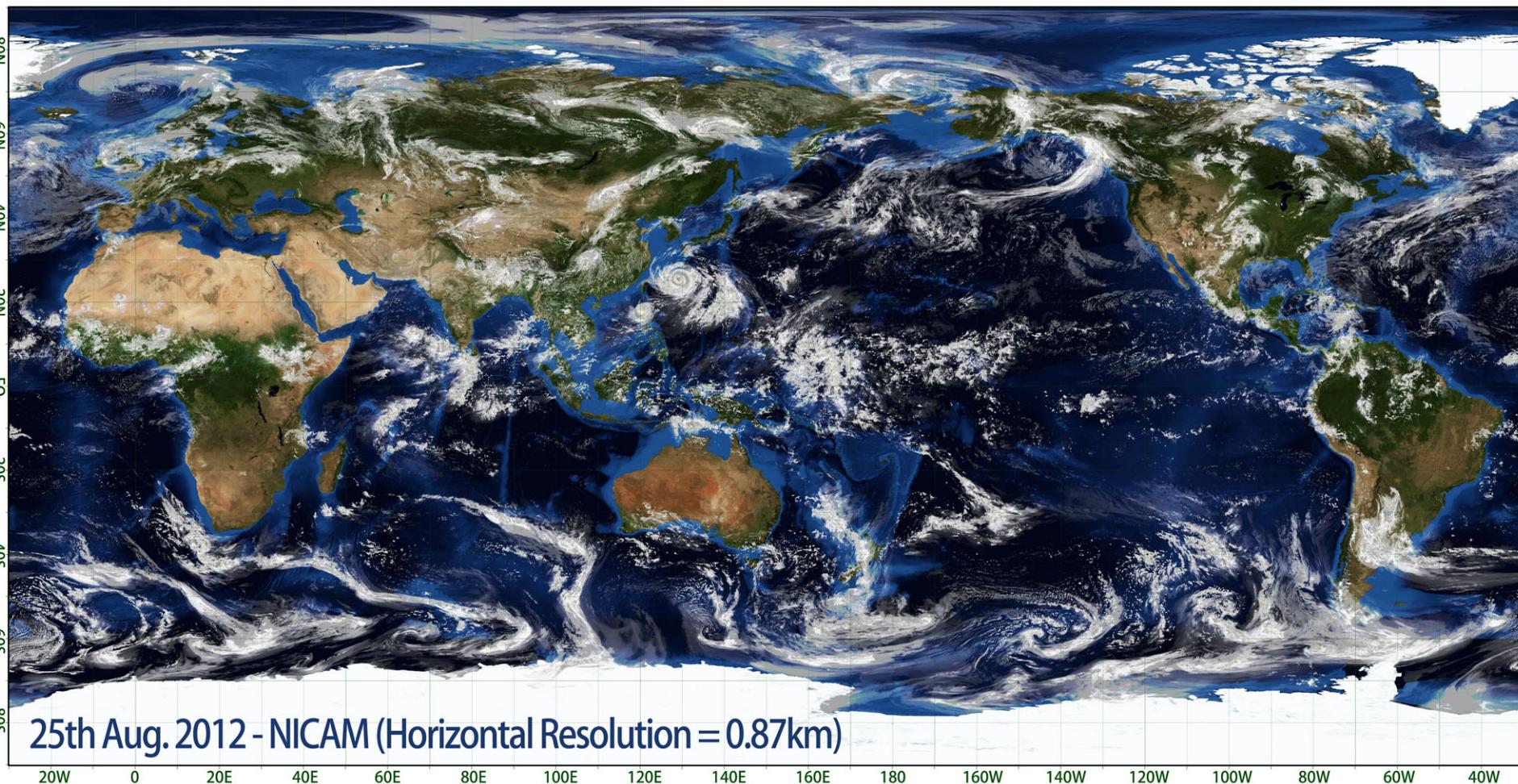
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2. Solve the equations of atmospheric dynamics and physics



Global 870-m simulation (*Miyamoto et al. 2013*)



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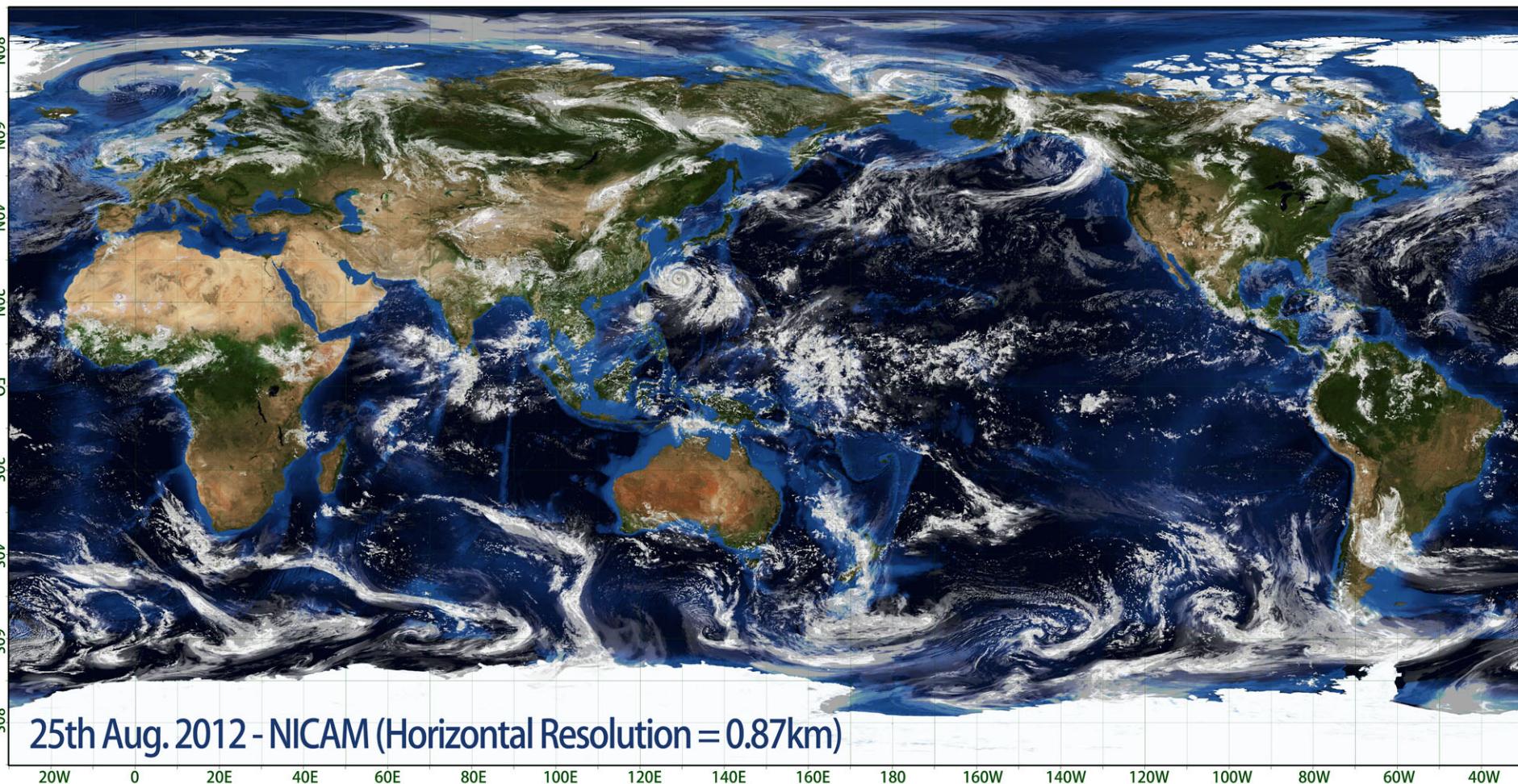
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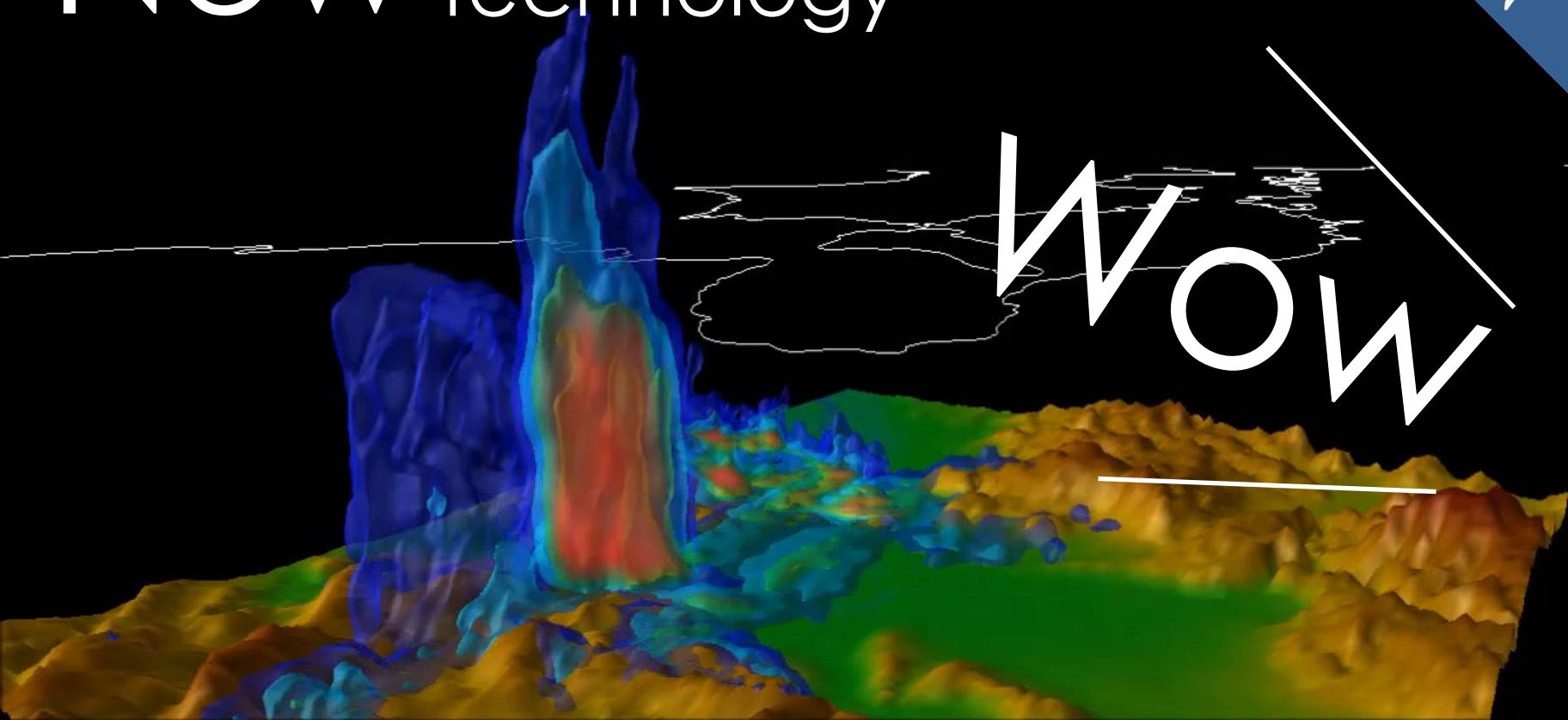


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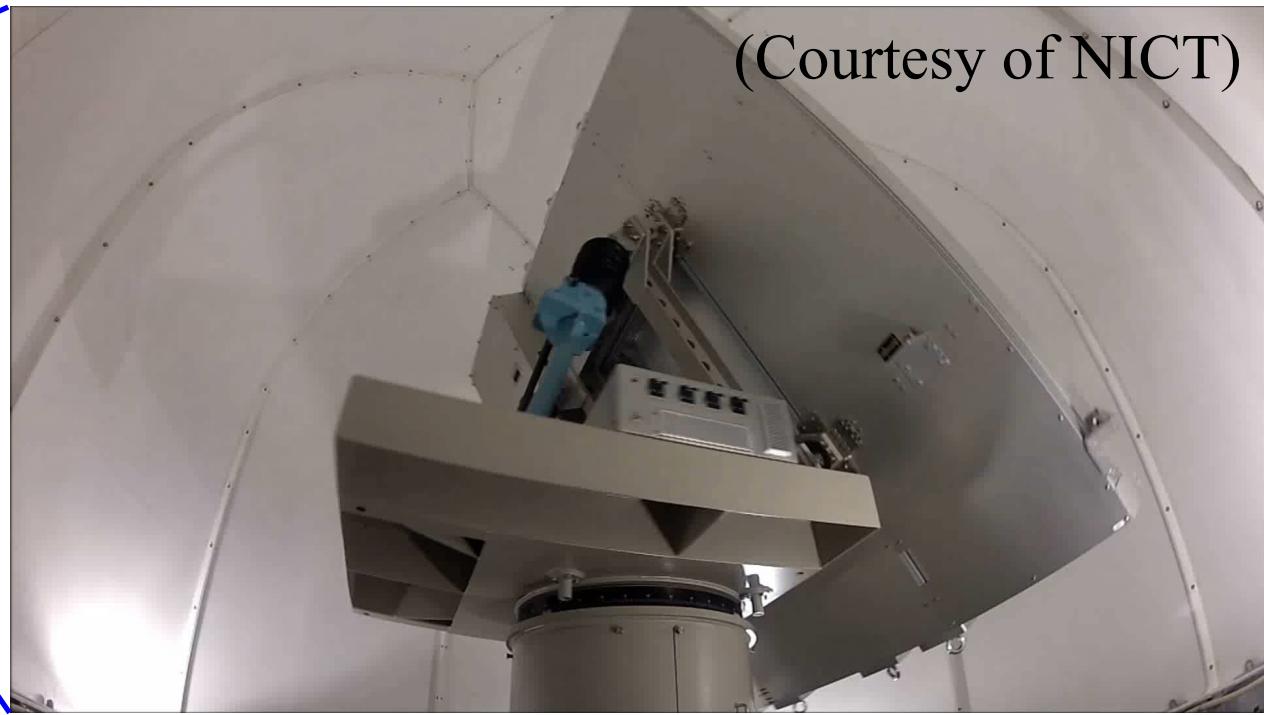
New radar technology



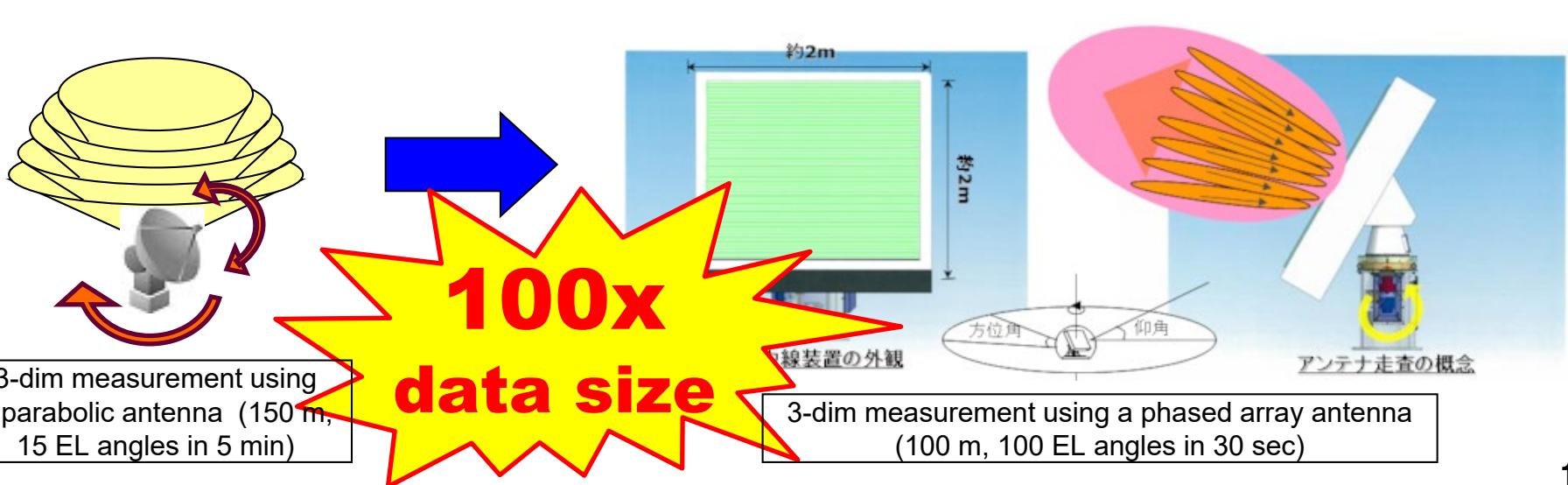
WOW



Phased Array Weather Radar (PAWR)



(Courtesy of NICT)



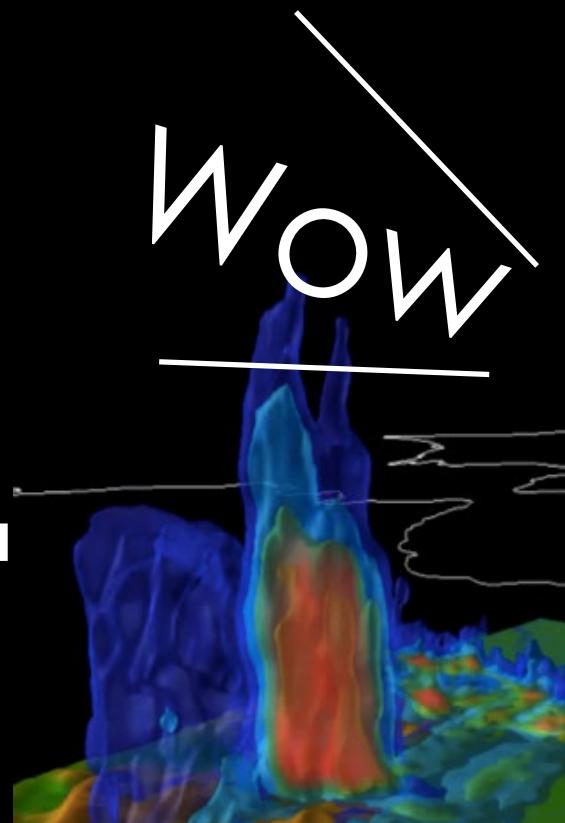
3-dim measurement using
a parabolic antenna (150 m,
15 EL angles in 5 min)

100x
data size

3-dim measurement using a phased array antenna
(100 m, 100 EL angles in 30 sec)



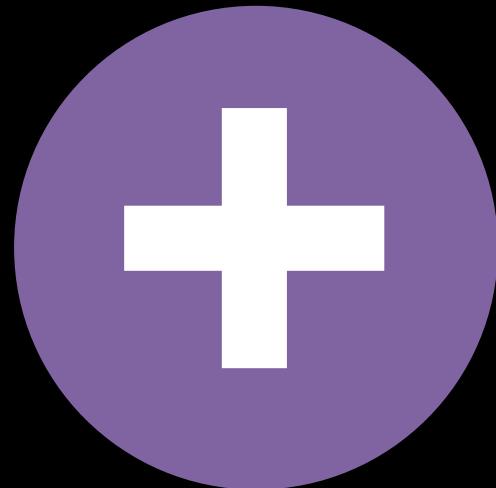
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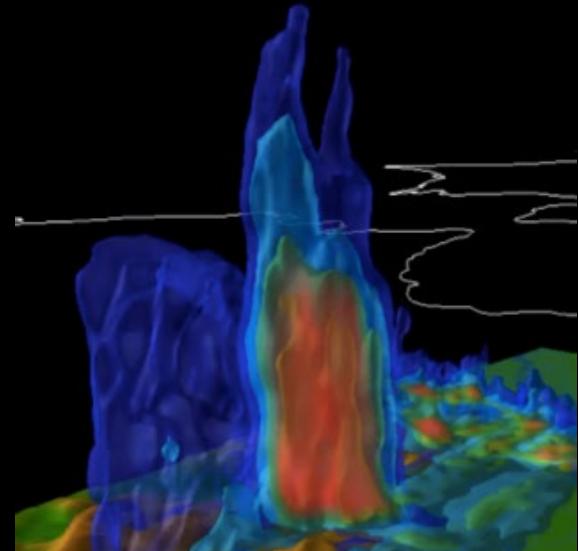
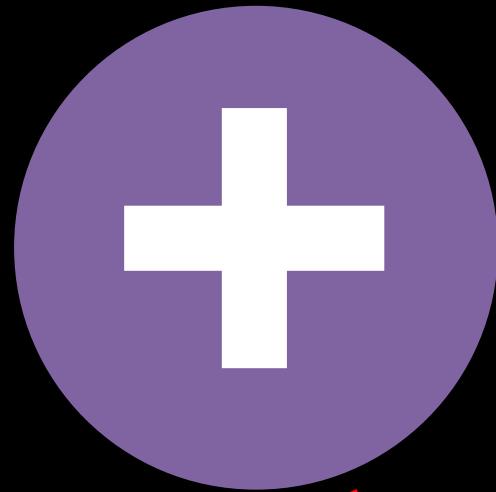


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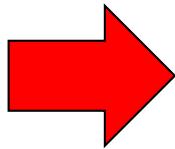
Data Assimilation





~~=~~ Sudden heavy rain

Only in 10 minutes!!



Kobe newspaper (<https://www.kobe-np.co.jp/news/kobe/201807/0011486822.shtml>)

1.34 m ↗ in 10 minutes!!

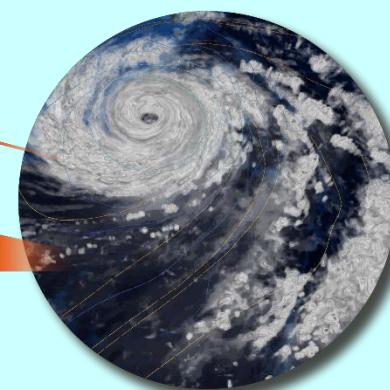
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Big Data Assimilation

Observations



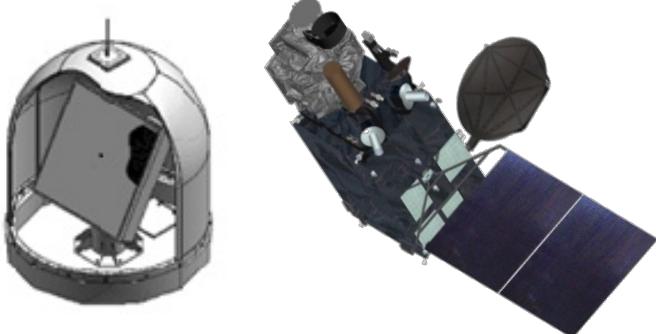
Simulations



Data Assimilation

Big Data

New sensors, IoT



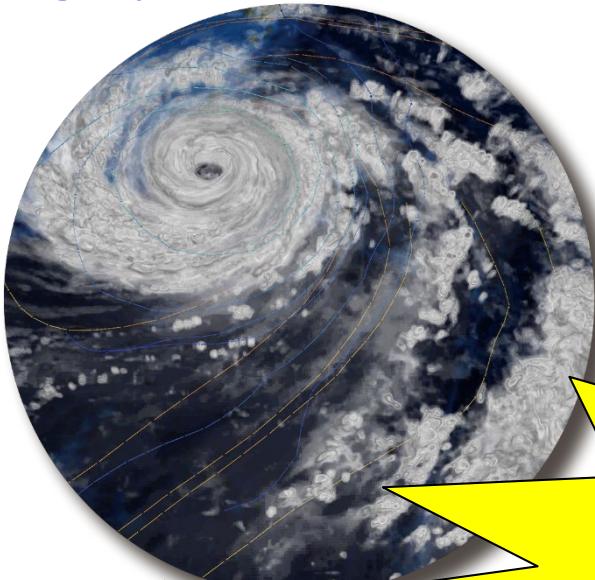
Big Data

Powerful supercomputer



Pioneering “Big Data Assimilation” Era

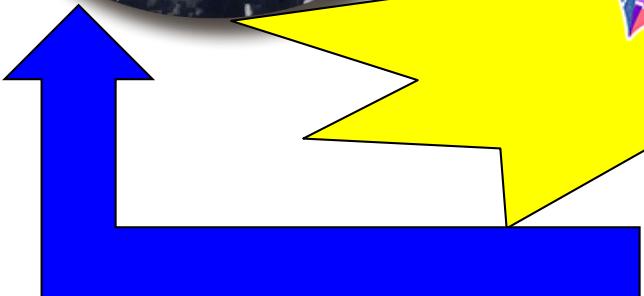
High-precision Simulations



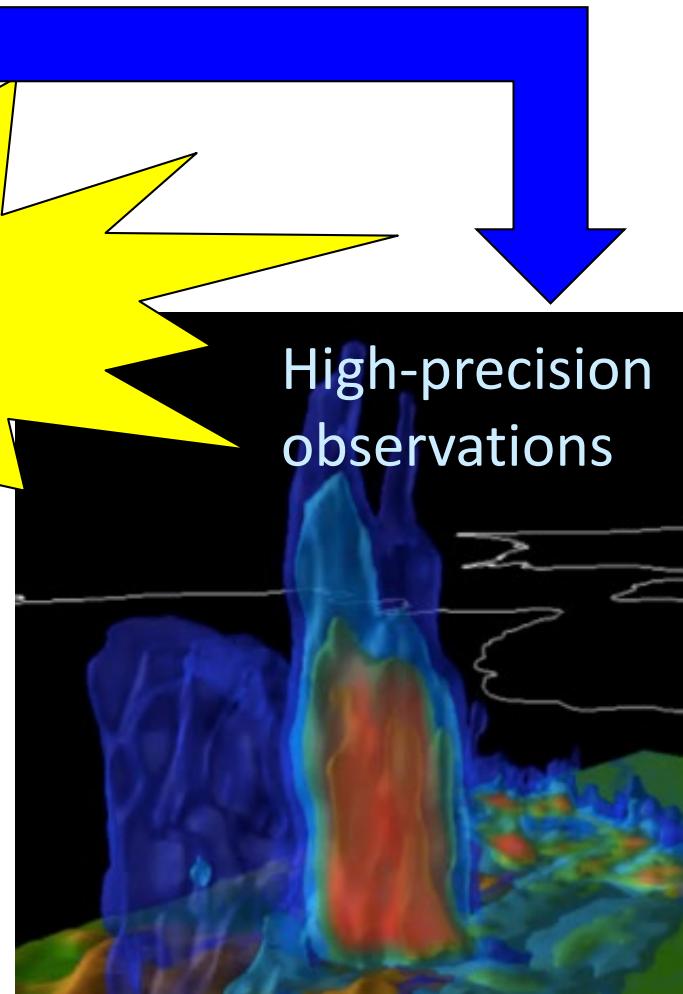
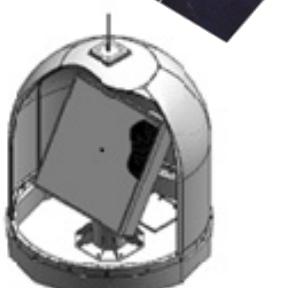
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CREST

Future-generation technologies
available 10 years in advance

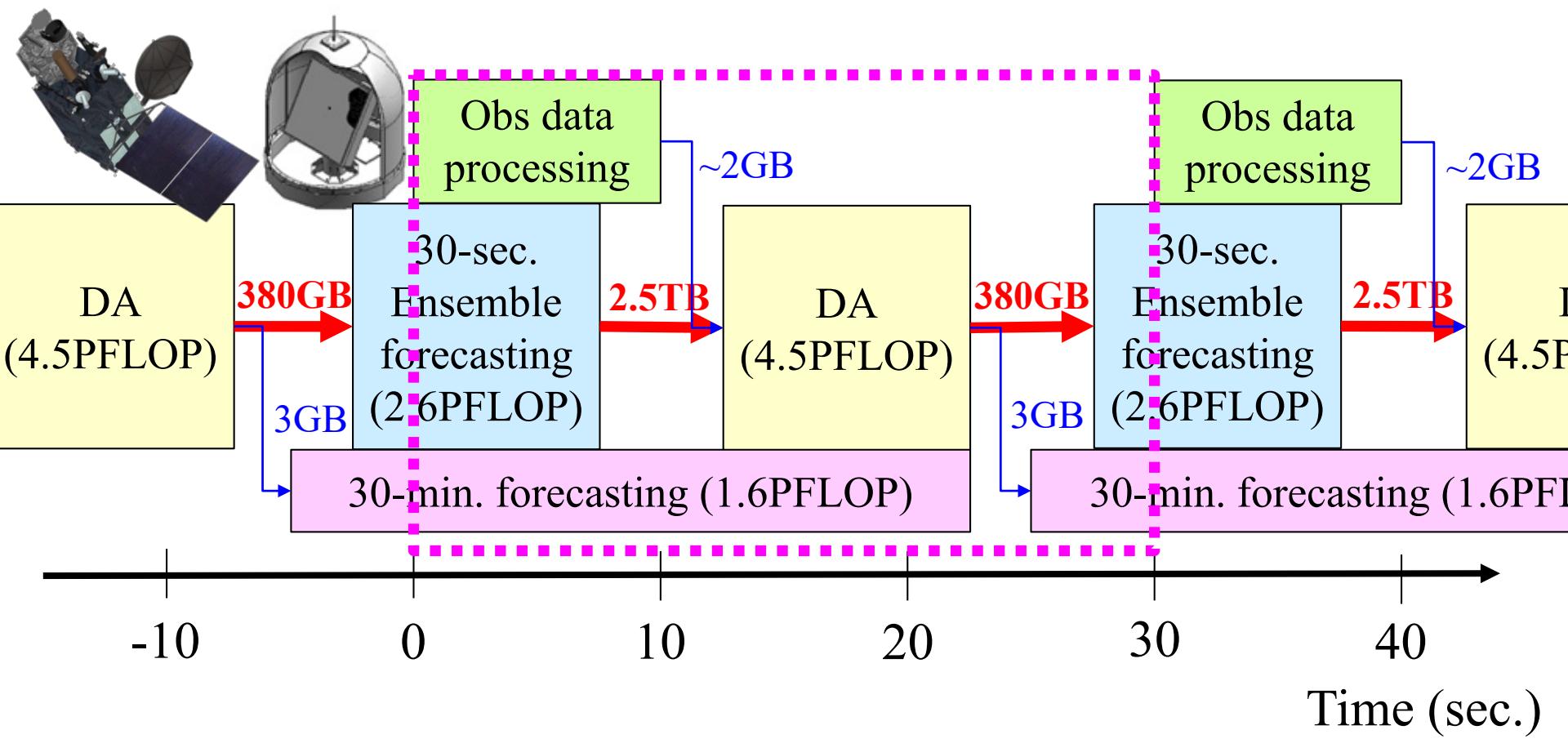


Mutual feedback



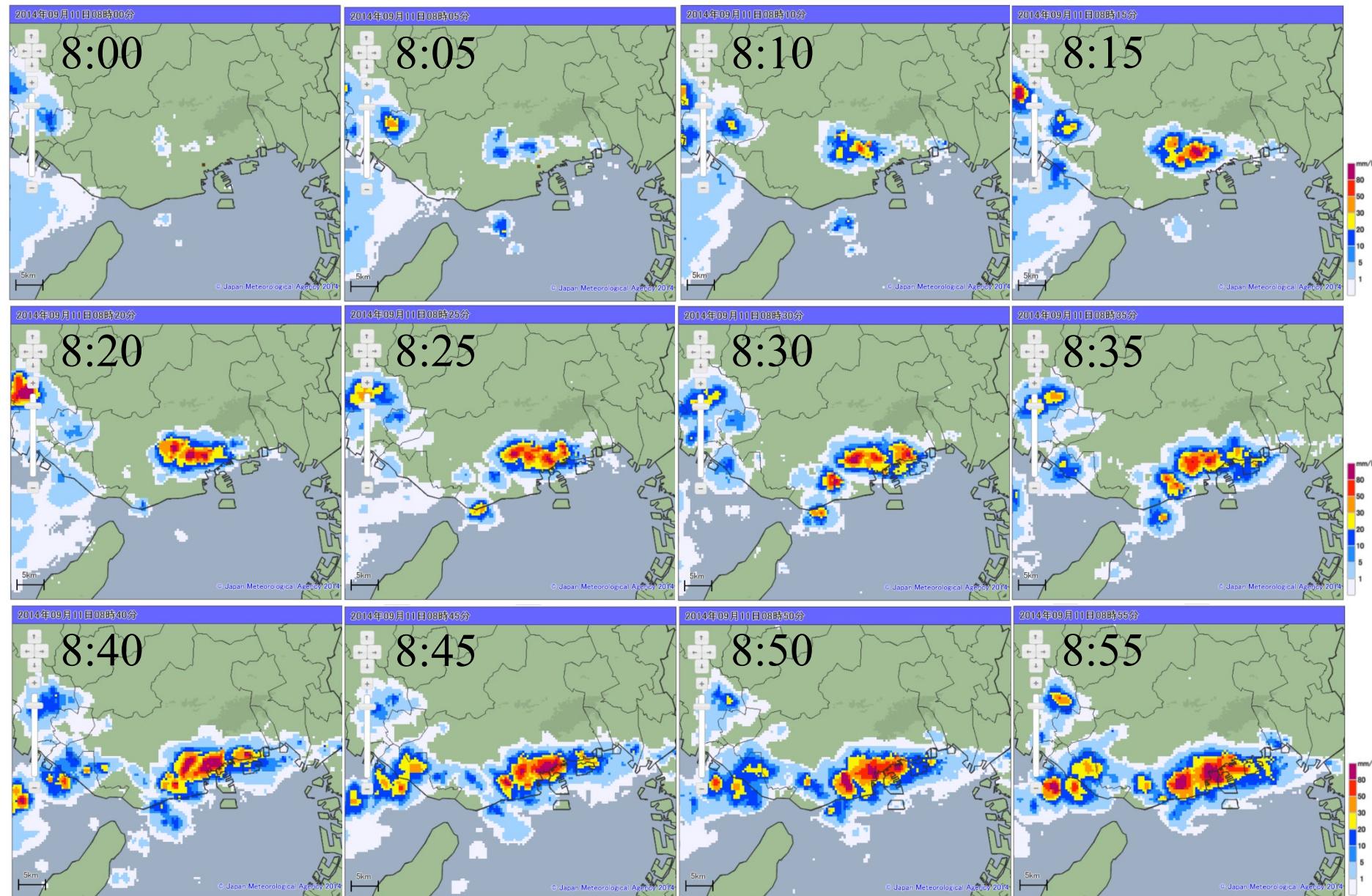
High-precision
observations

Revolutionary super-rapid 30-sec. cycle



120 times more rapid than
hourly update cycles

9/11/2014 morning, sudden rain



9/11/2014, sudden local rain



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Image Landsat
Image IBCAO
Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO

Google earth

9/11/2014, sudden local rain

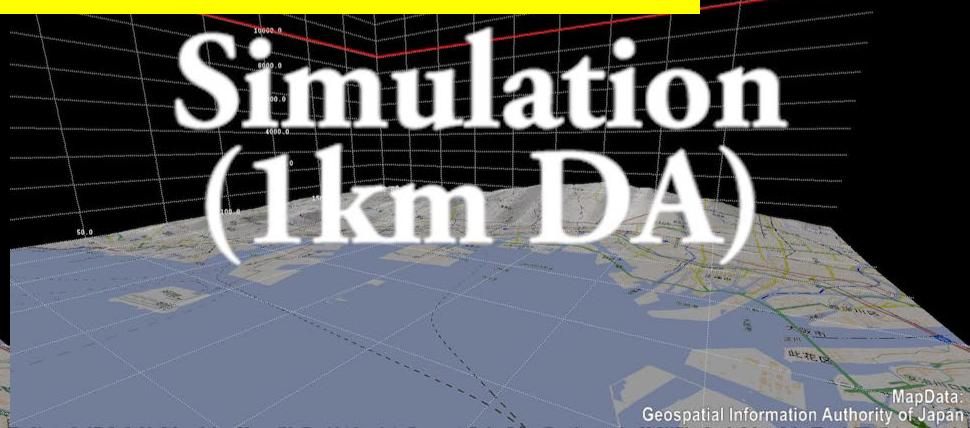
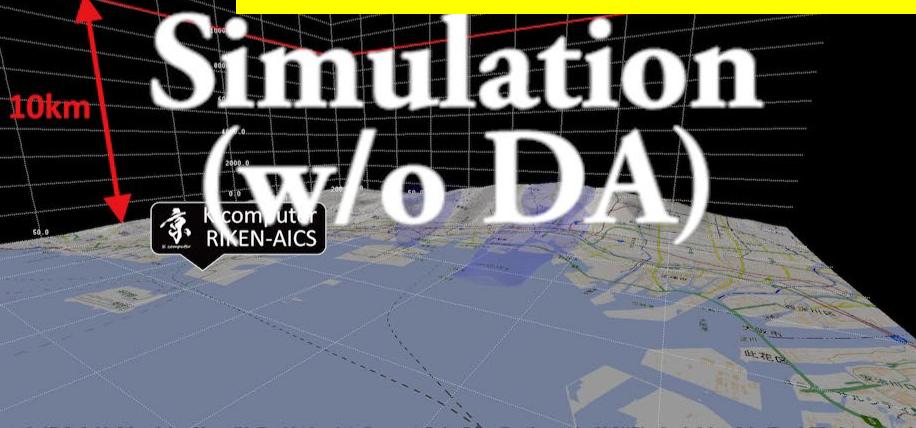
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Observation

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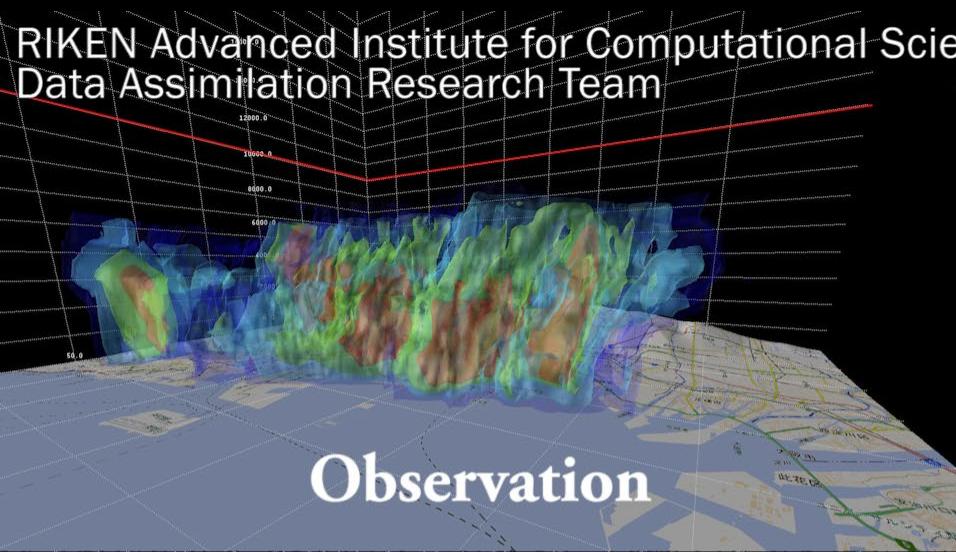
Simulation (100m Big DA)

>41,000 views
#6 of RIKEN channel

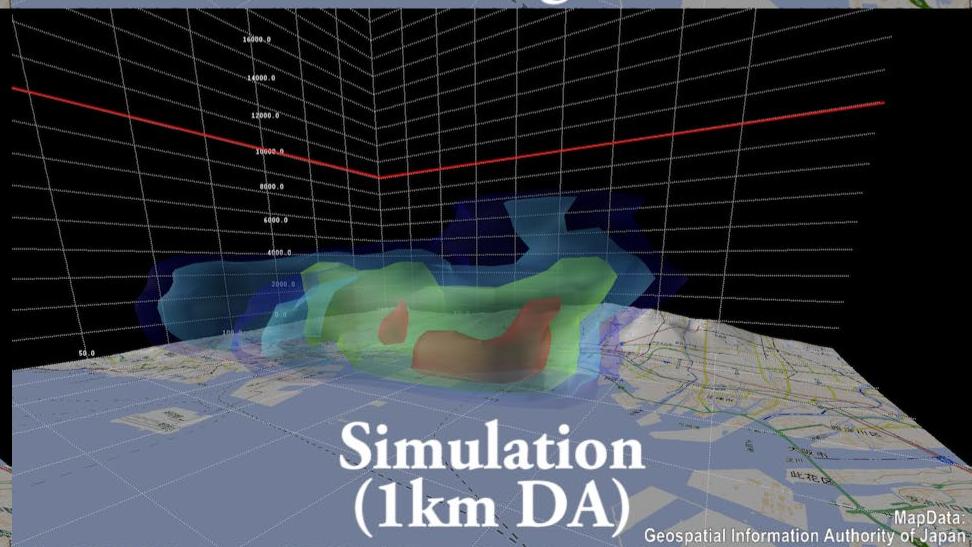
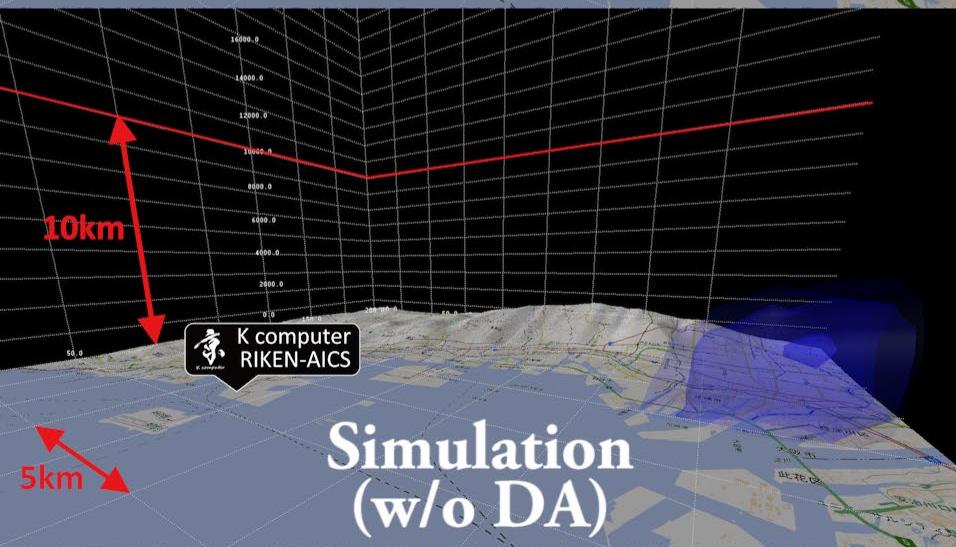
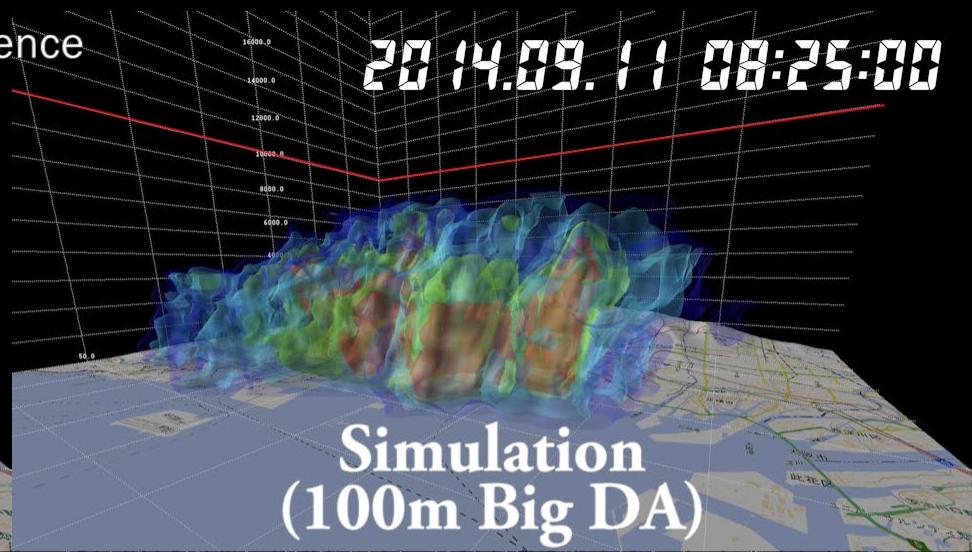


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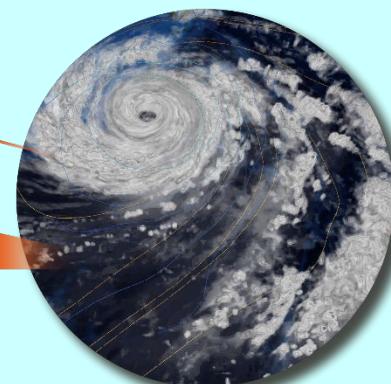


Data Assimilation (DA)

Observations



Simulations



Data Assimilation

Data assimilation best combines observations and a model, and brings synergy.

Data Assimilation (DA)

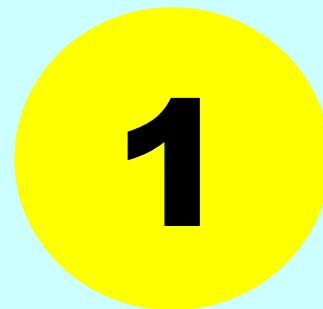
Observations



Data Assimilation



Simulations



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Data Assimilation (DA)

**Data-driven
Induction
Real world**

**Process-driven
Deduction
Cyber world**

Observations

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Data Assimilation

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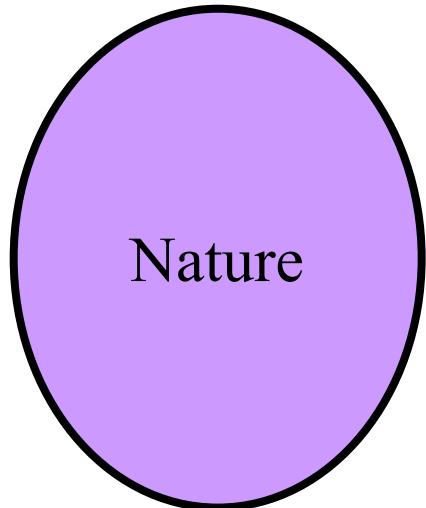
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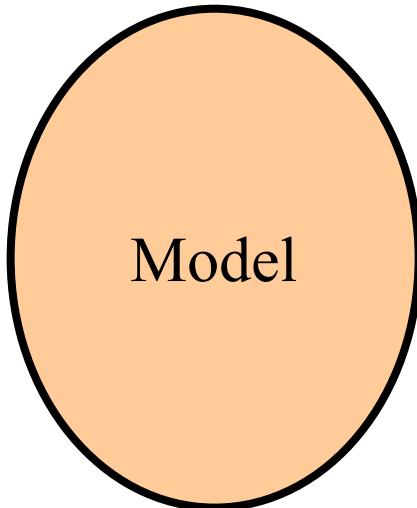
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DA and Chaos Synchronization (*Yang et al. 2006*)

Master (drive) system

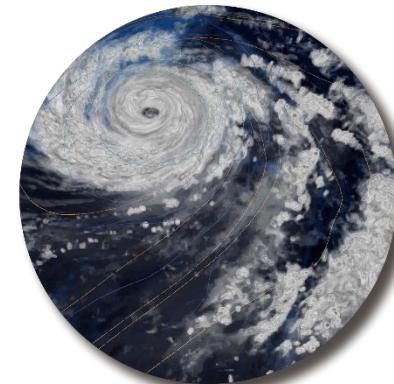
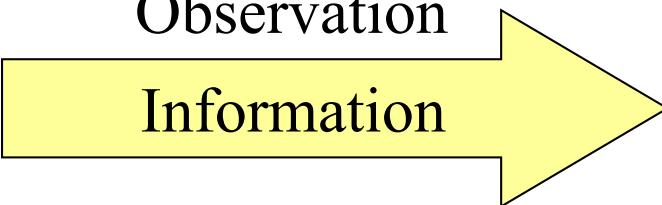


Slave (response) system



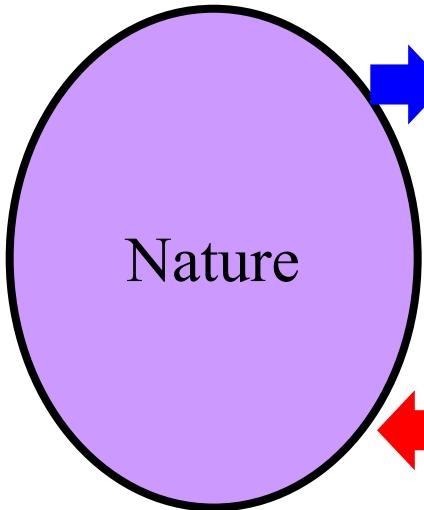
Observation

Information

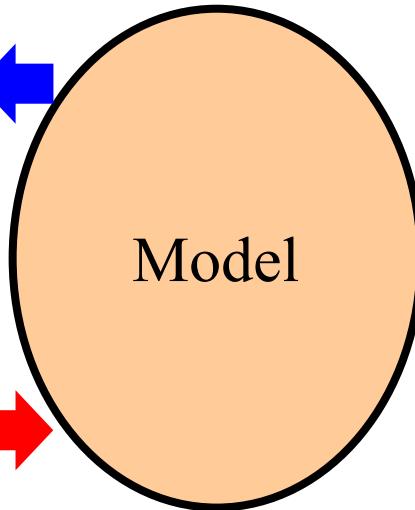


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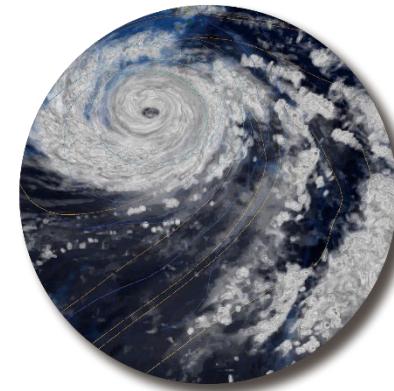
Coupling strength

Obs (accuracy, density, frequency), DA method

Stability of synchronization

Dynamical instability

Strength of chaos



Logistic map

A simple system: $x_{n+1} = ax_n(1 - x_n)$

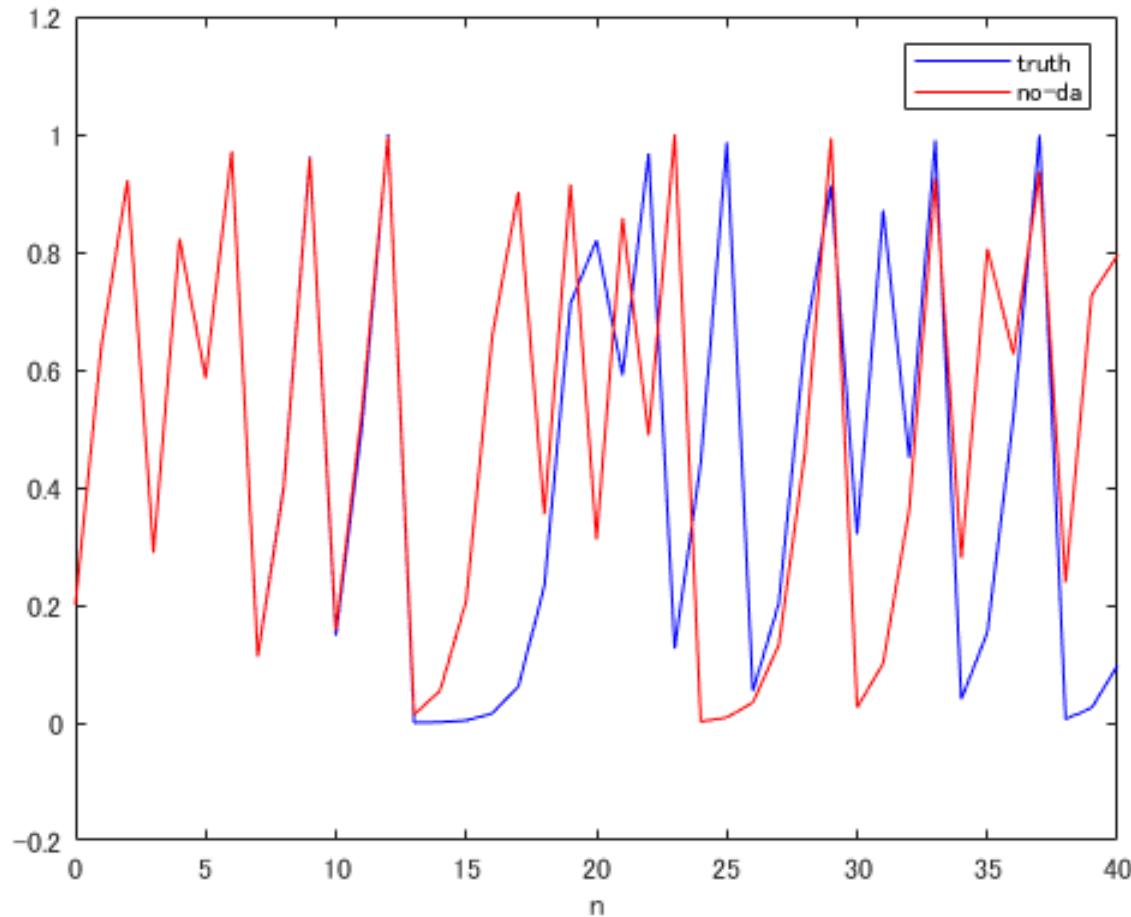
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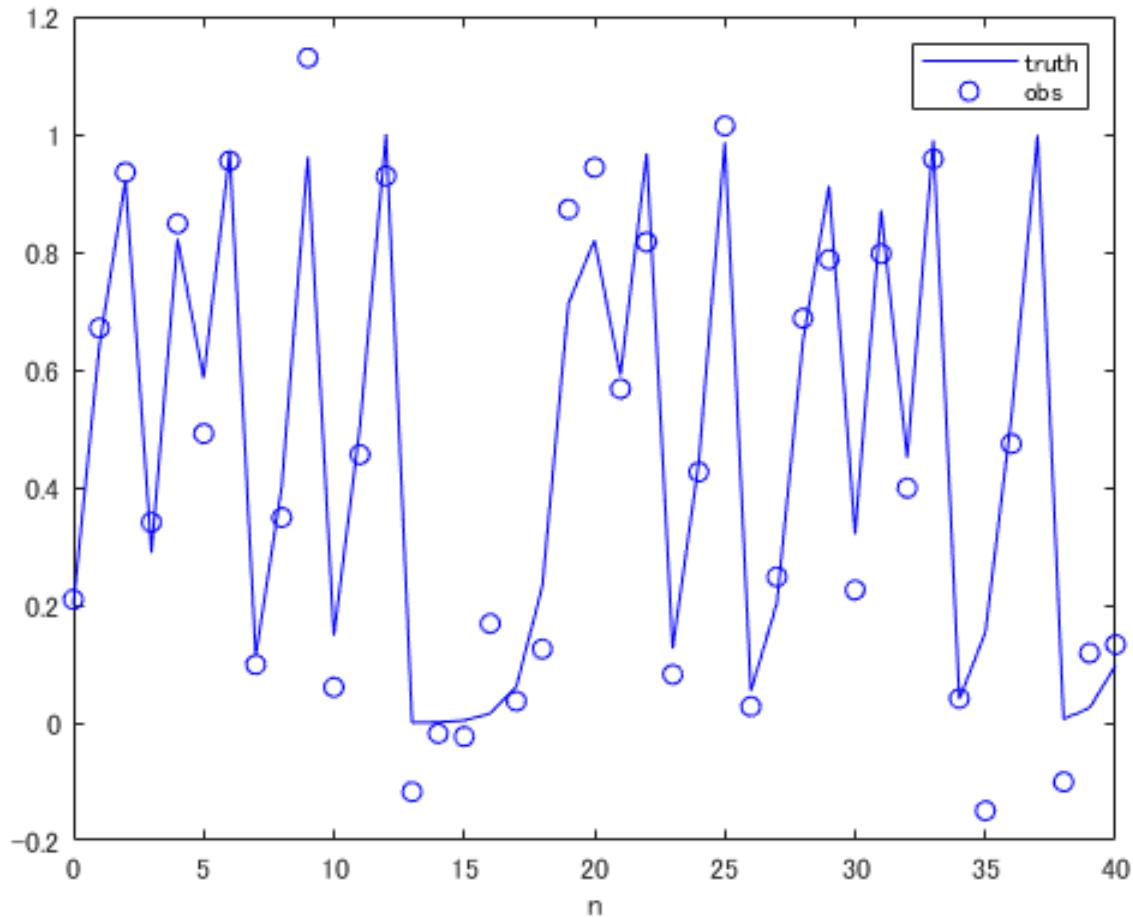


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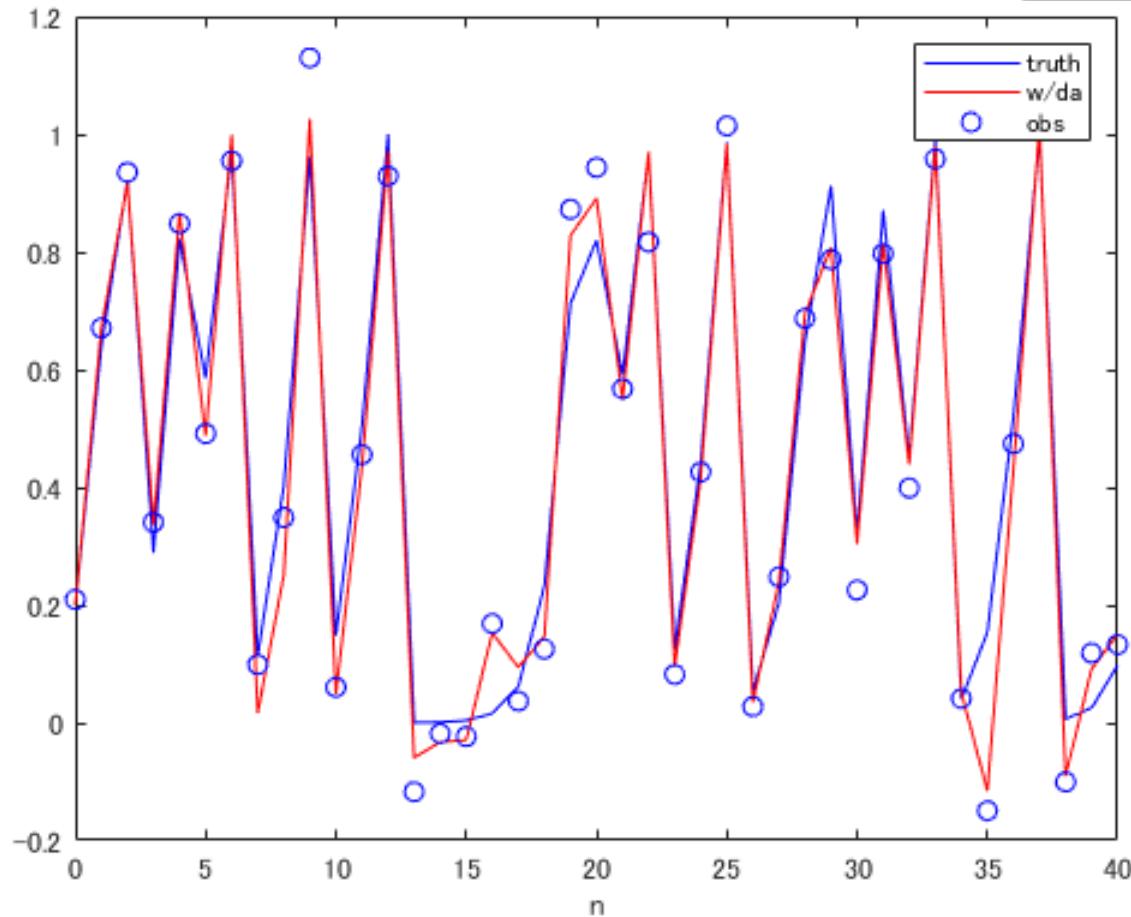
Noisy observations \circ are generated with random numbers.



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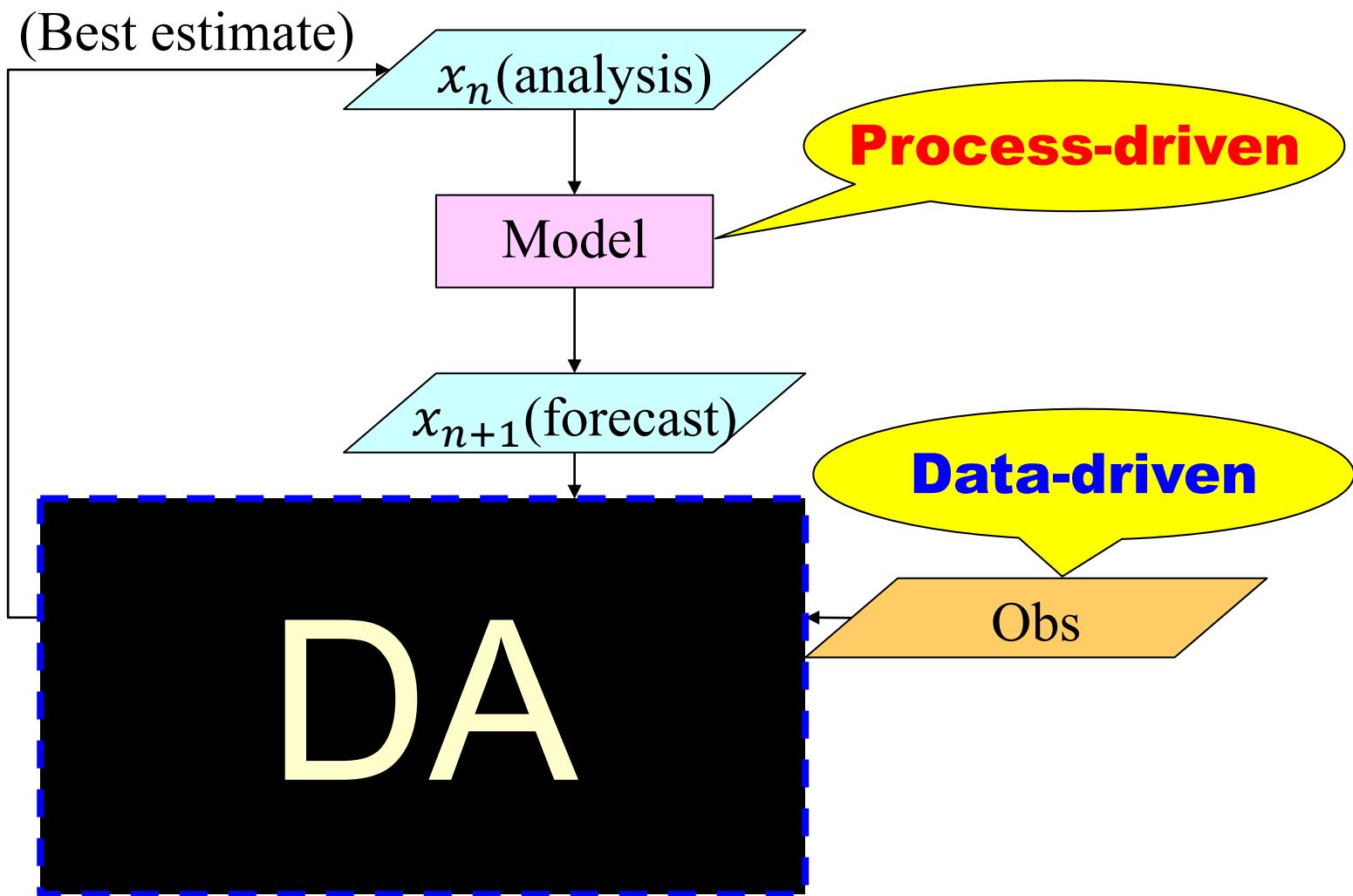
Logistic map: DA experiment

Noisy observations ○ are assimilated.

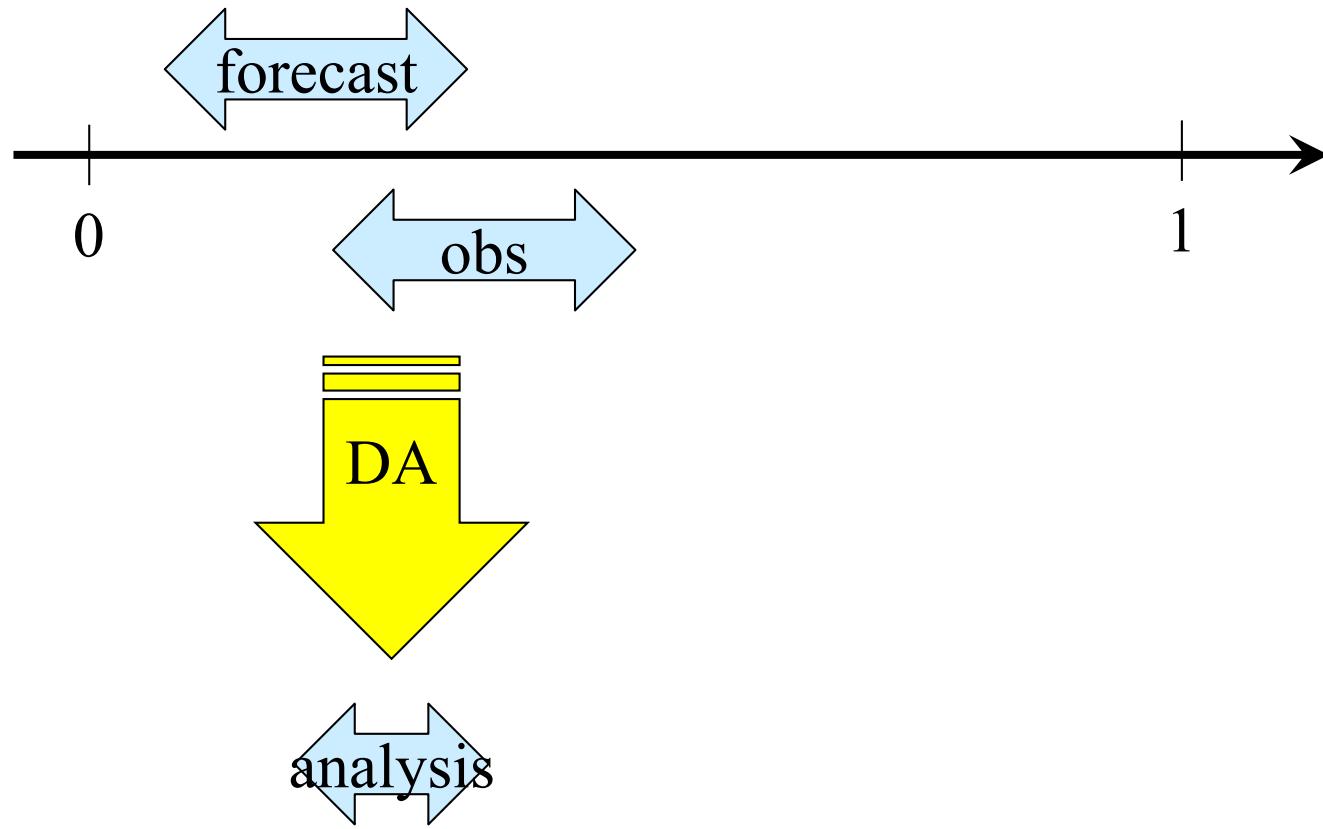


→ Synchronized chaos!

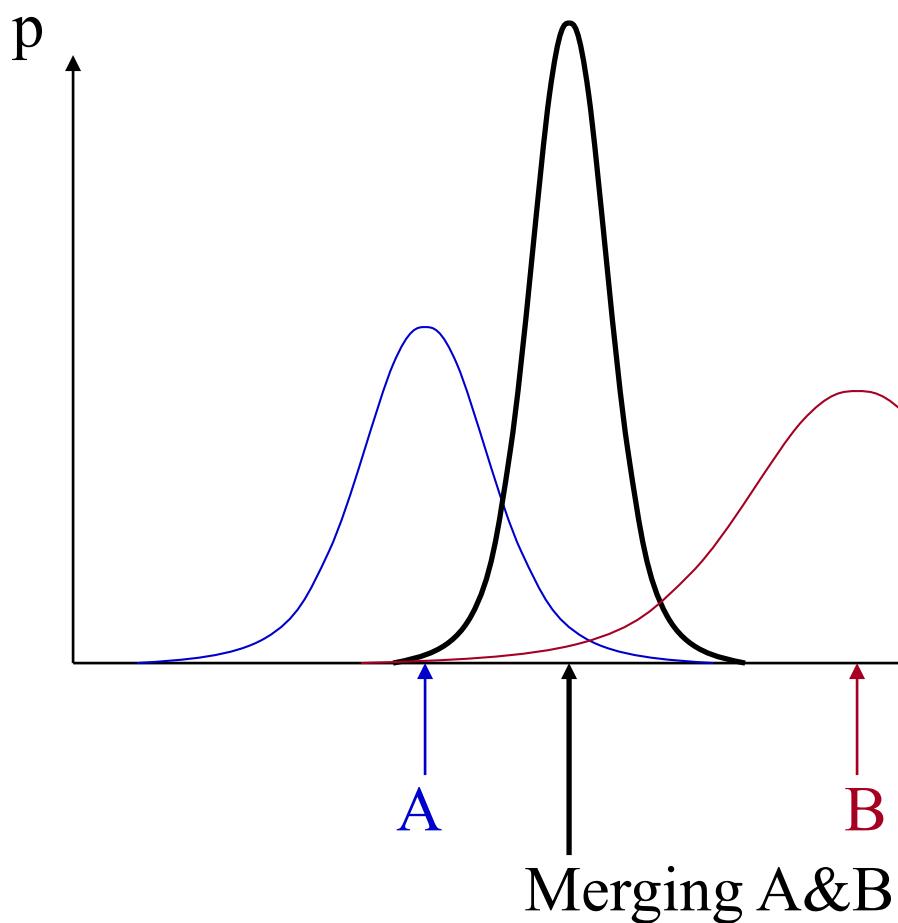
DA workflow



DA = math of errors



Merging 2 information (Bayesian estimation)

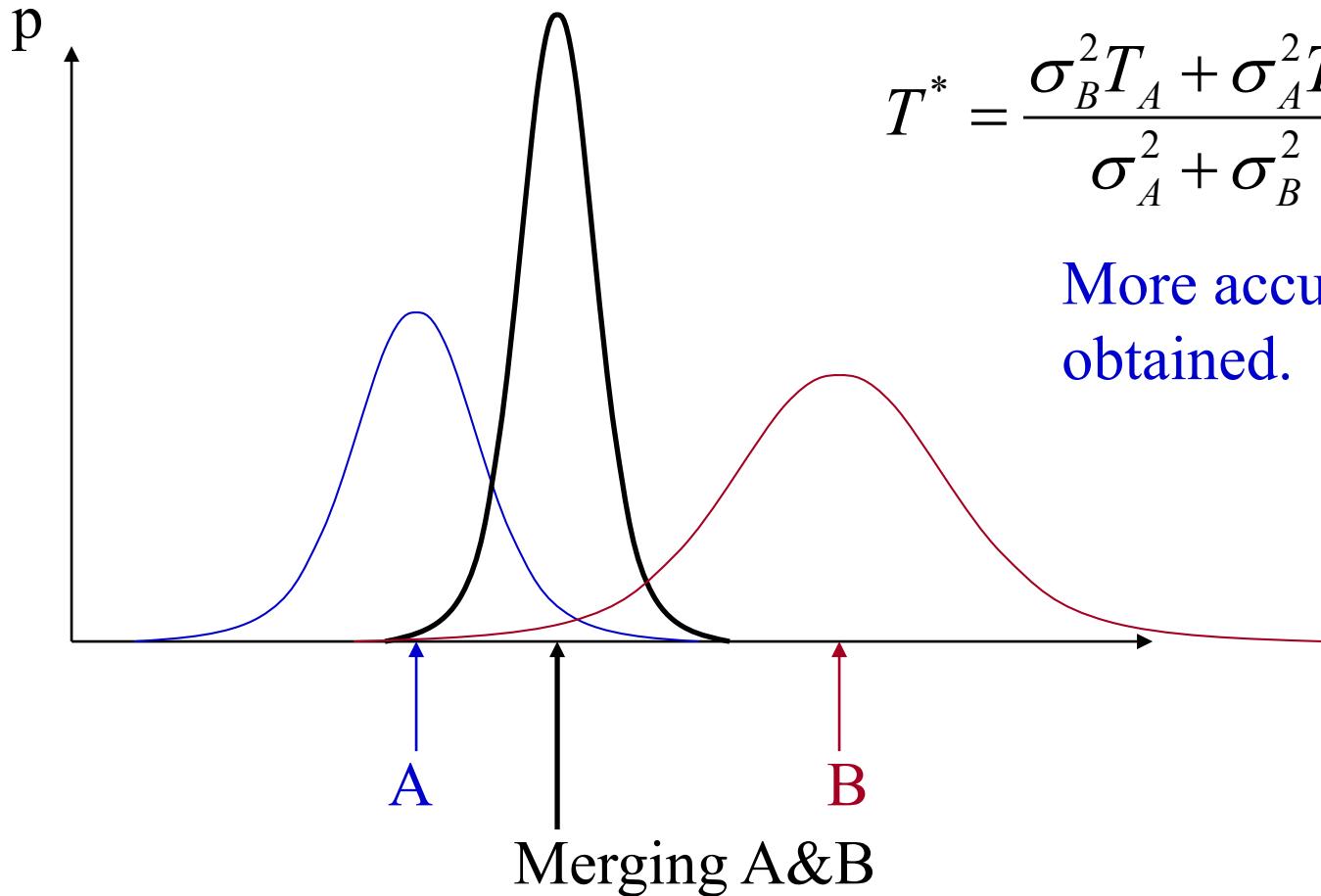


$$p_A(T) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{(T - T_A)^2}{2\sigma_A^2}\right]$$

$$p_B(T) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{(T - T_B)^2}{2\sigma_B^2}\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{A \cap B}(T) &= p_A(T) \bullet p_B(T) \\ &\propto \exp\left[-\frac{(T - T_A)^2}{2\sigma_A^2} - \frac{(T - T_B)^2}{2\sigma_B^2}\right] \\ &\propto \exp\left[-\frac{\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_B^2}{2\sigma_A^2 \sigma_B^2} \left(T - \frac{\sigma_B^2 T_A + \sigma_A^2 T_B}{\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_B^2}\right)^2\right] \end{aligned}$$

Merging 2 information (Bayesian estimation)

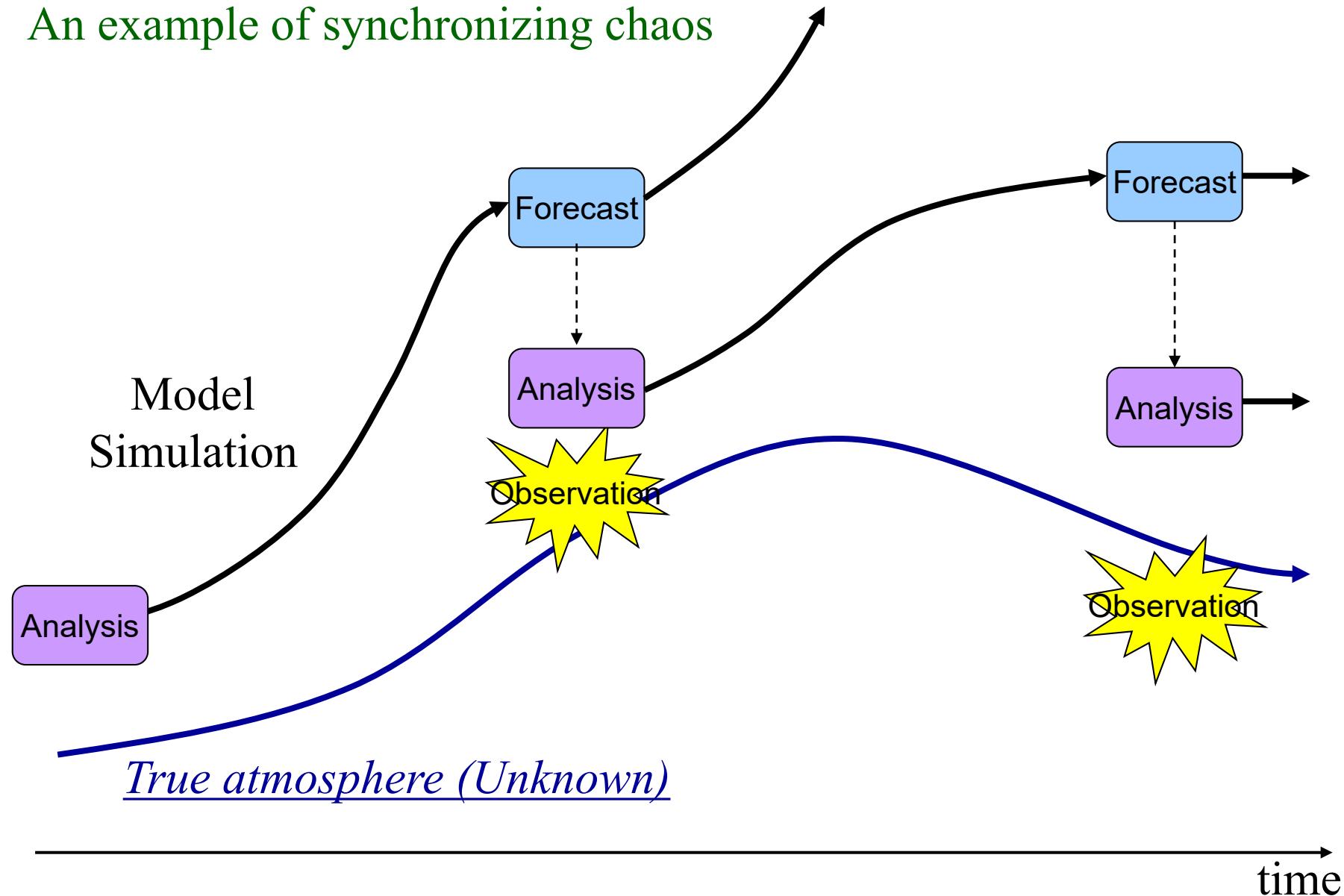


$$T^* = \frac{\sigma_B^2 T_A + \sigma_A^2 T_B}{\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_B^2}, \sigma^* = \frac{\sigma_A^2 \sigma_B^2}{\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_B^2}$$

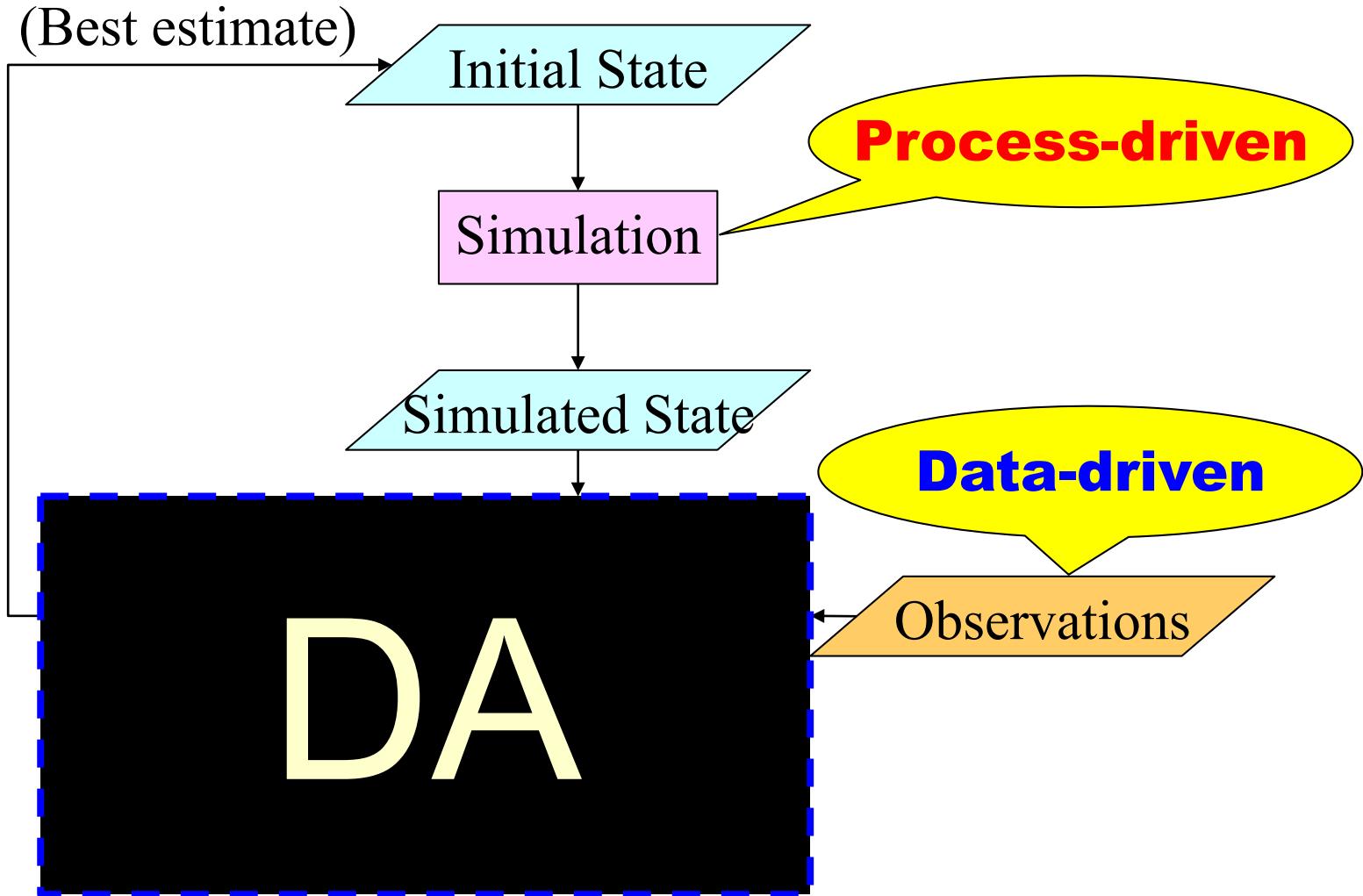
More accurate analysis is obtained.

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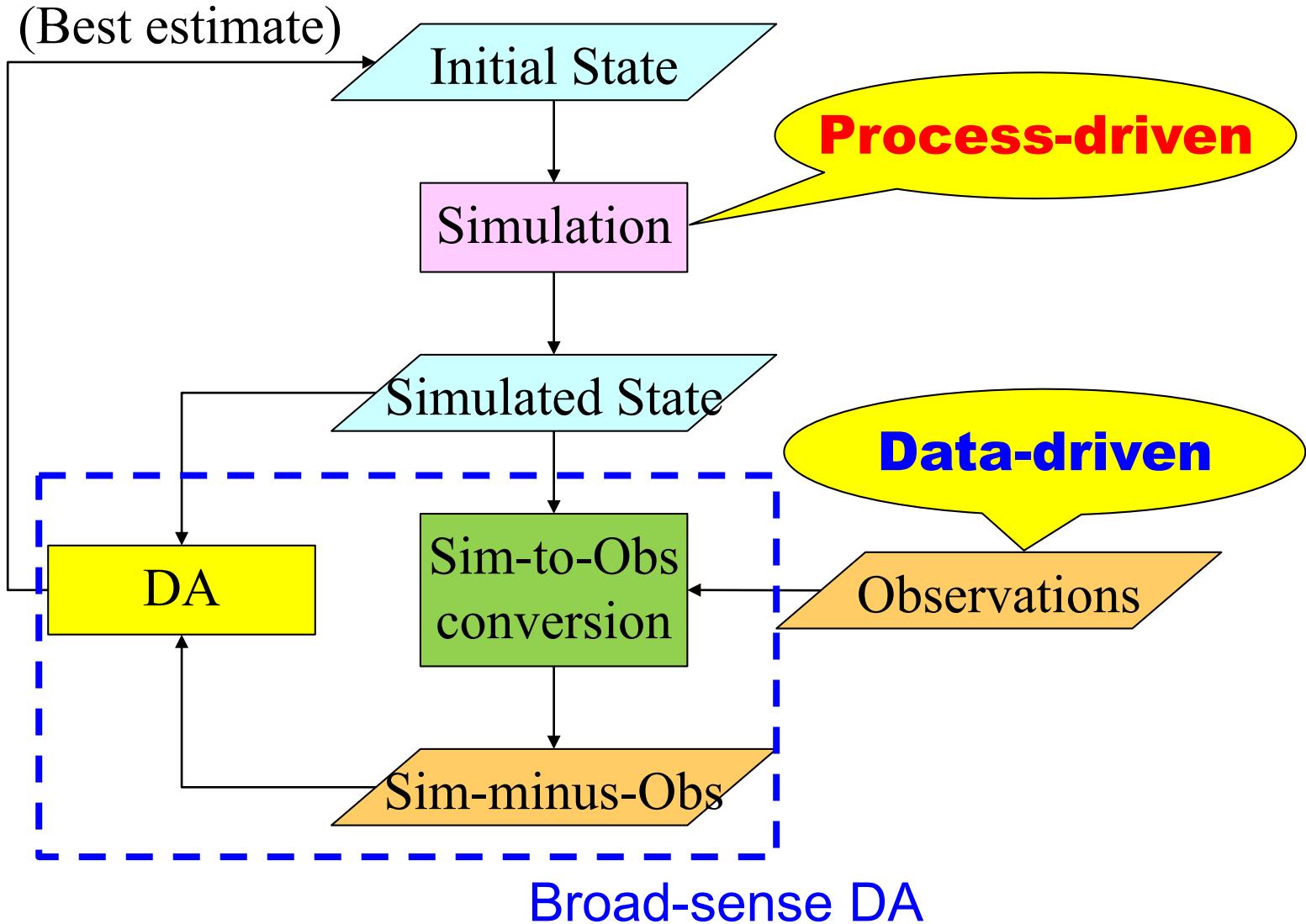
An example of synchronizing chaos



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What DA can do

