Latest aviation applications of LIDAR at the Hong Kong International Airport

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Monitoring network



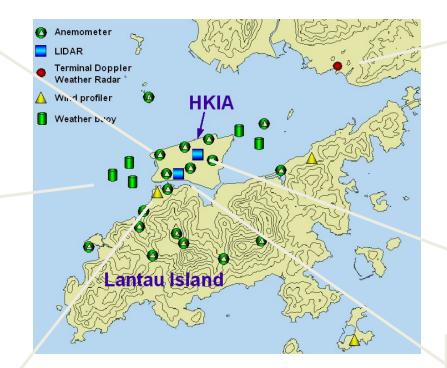
Anemometer

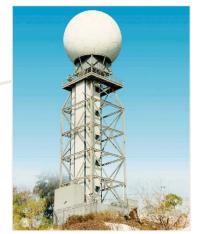


Weather buoy



Wind profiler



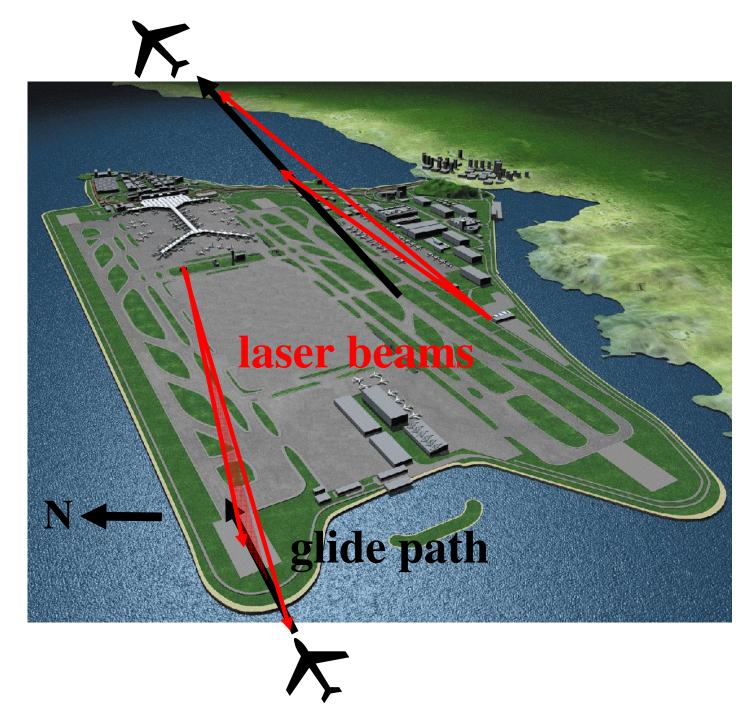


TDWR



1st LIDAR

Schematic diagram of dual LIDAR operation



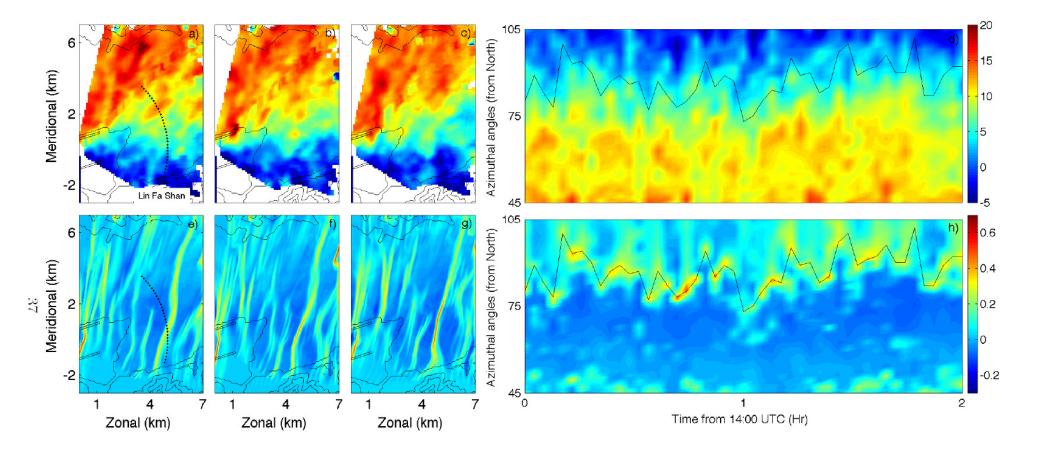
New developments

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- Calculation of F-factor for windshear alerting
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- Refinement of visibility map algorithm

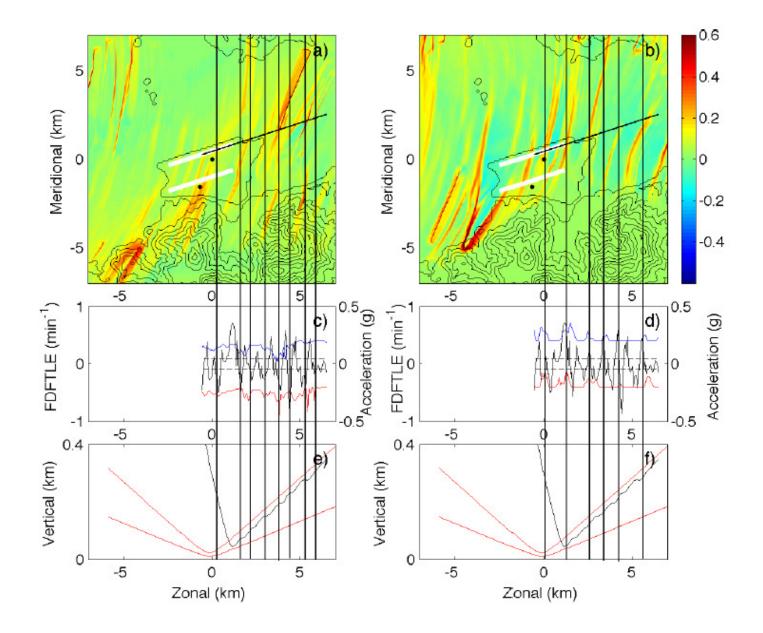
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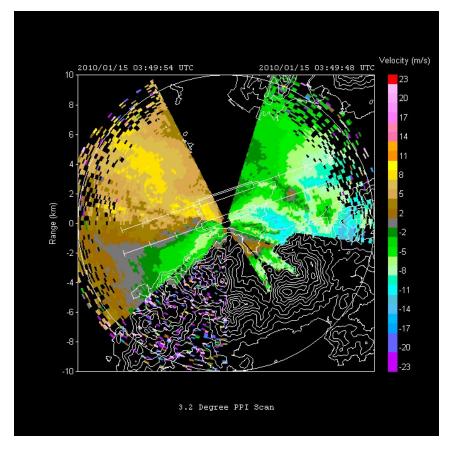
Convergence of airflow

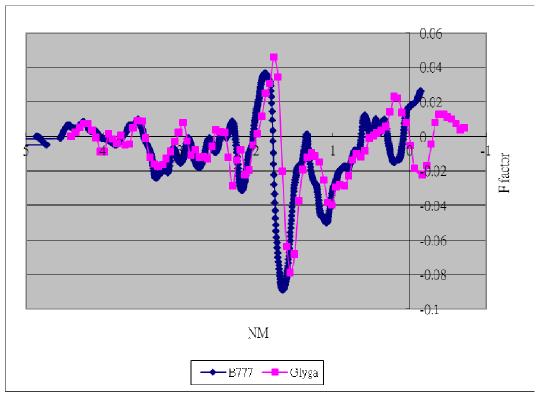


Correlation with aircraft data

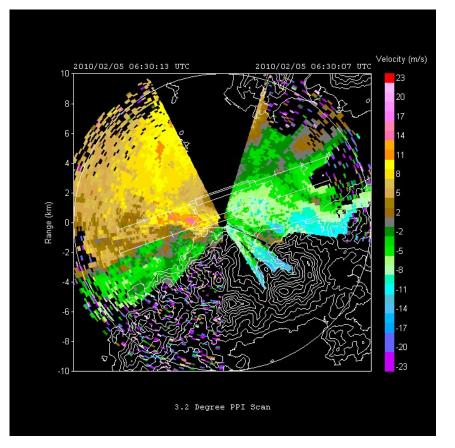


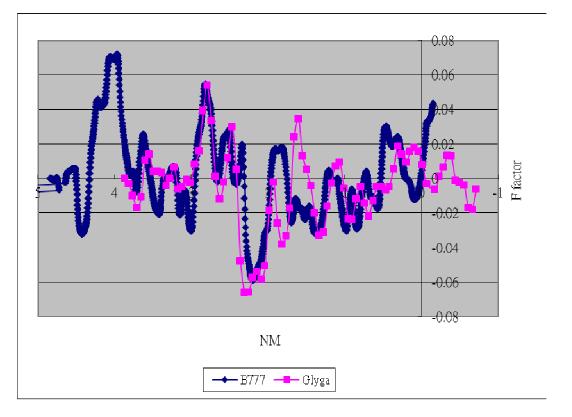
F-factor: sea breeze



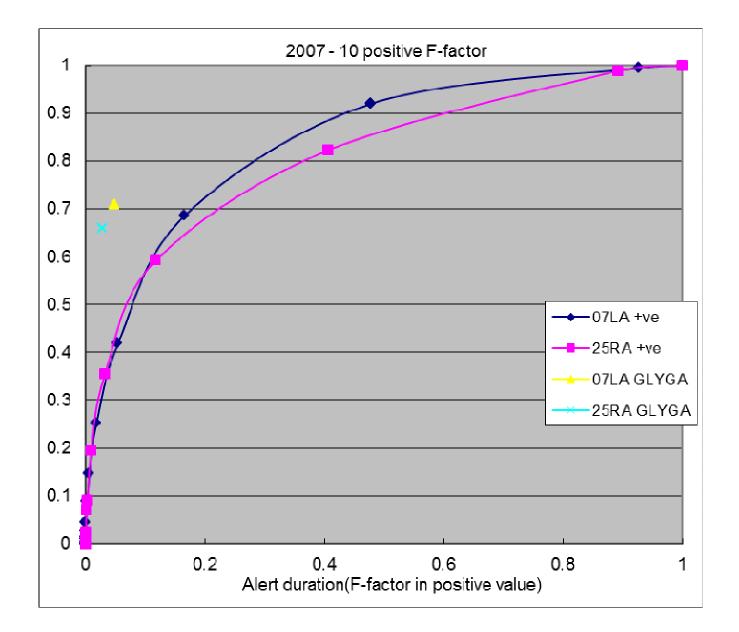


F-factor: terrain-disrupted airflow

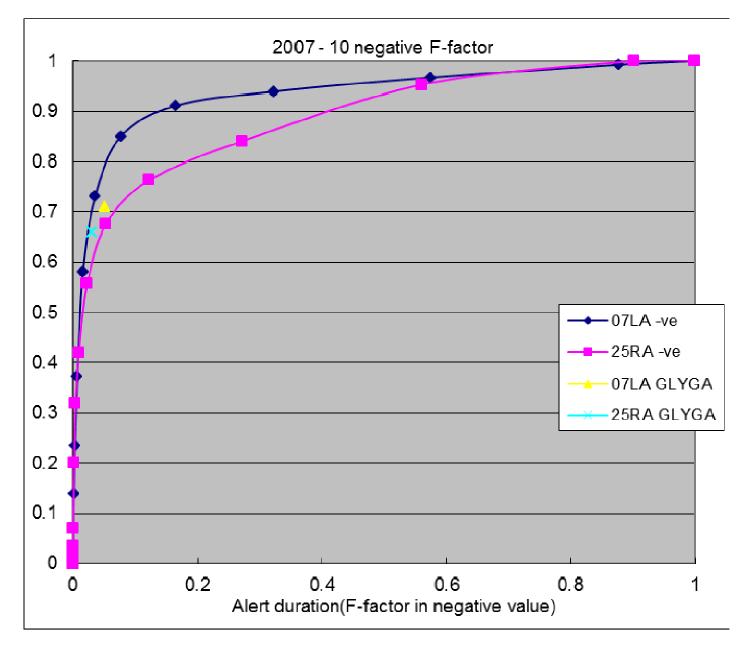




F-factor performance



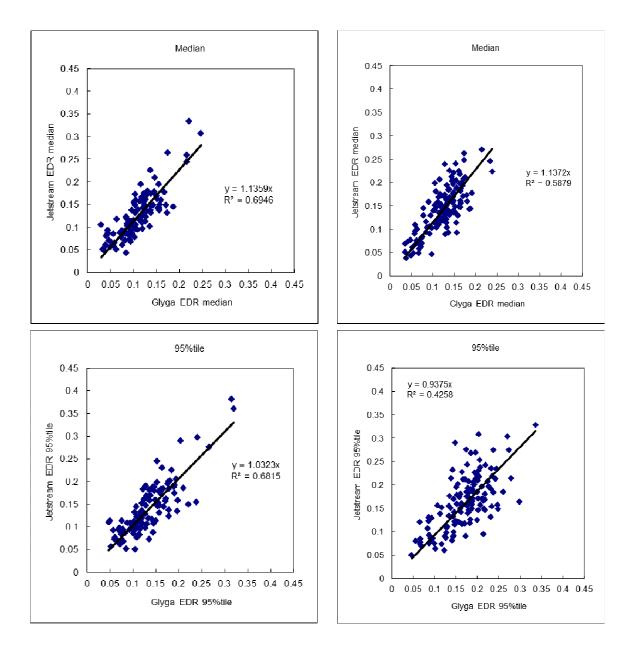
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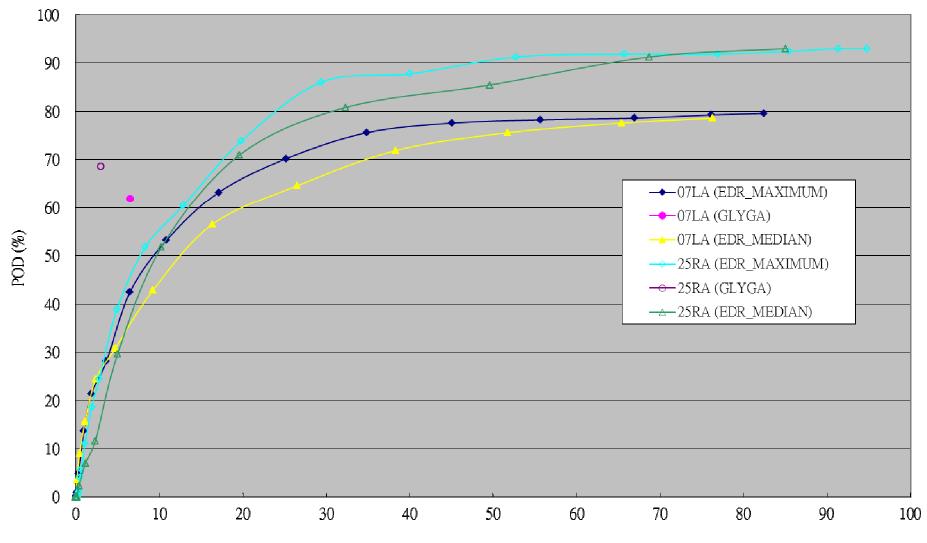
Instrumented aircraft



EDR comparison



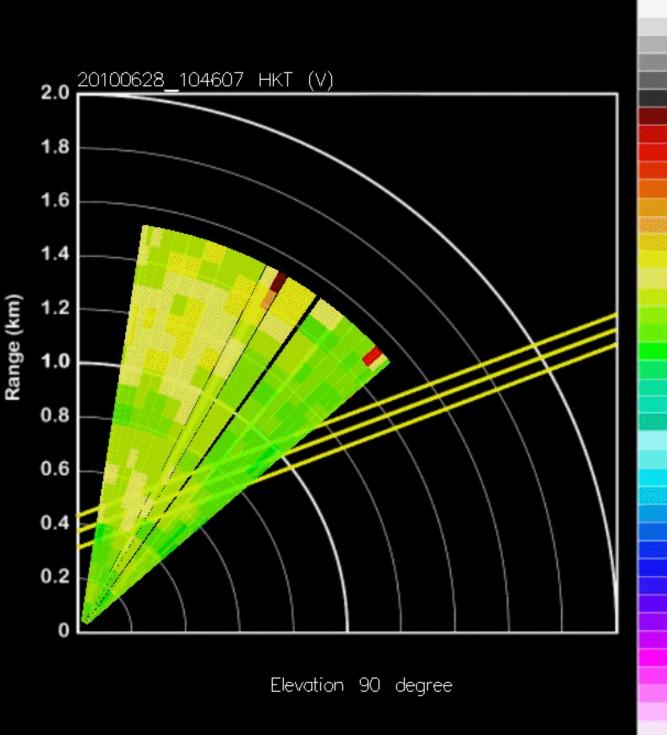
EDR performance in windshear



Alert Duration as percentage of time of the study period (%)

Short-range LIDAR at Asia World-Expo



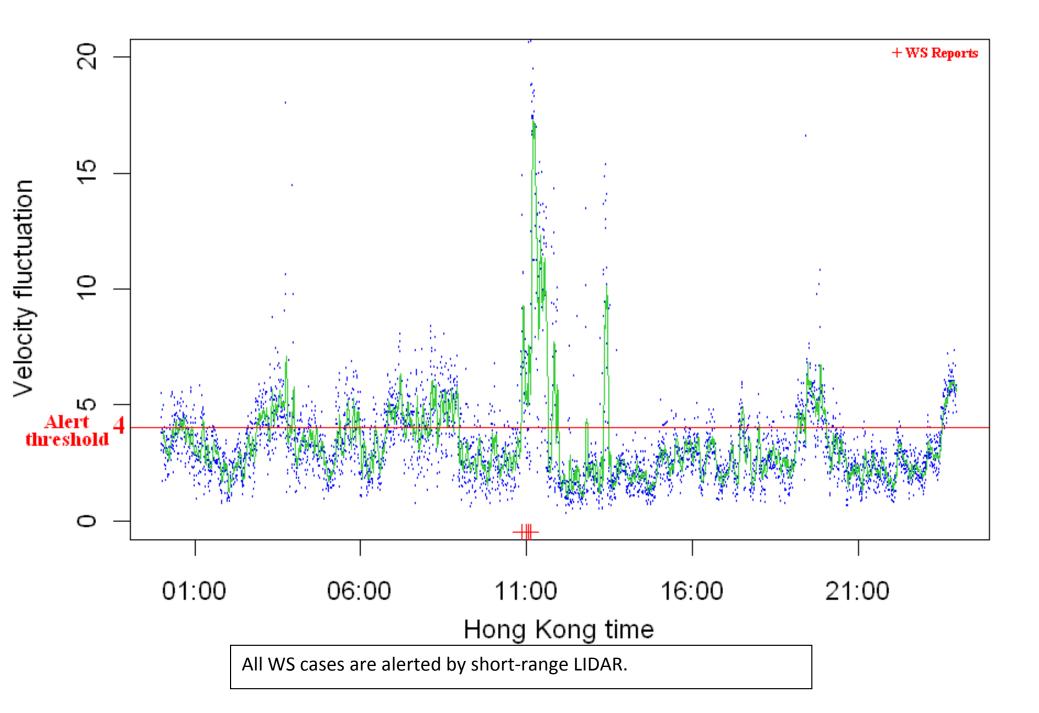


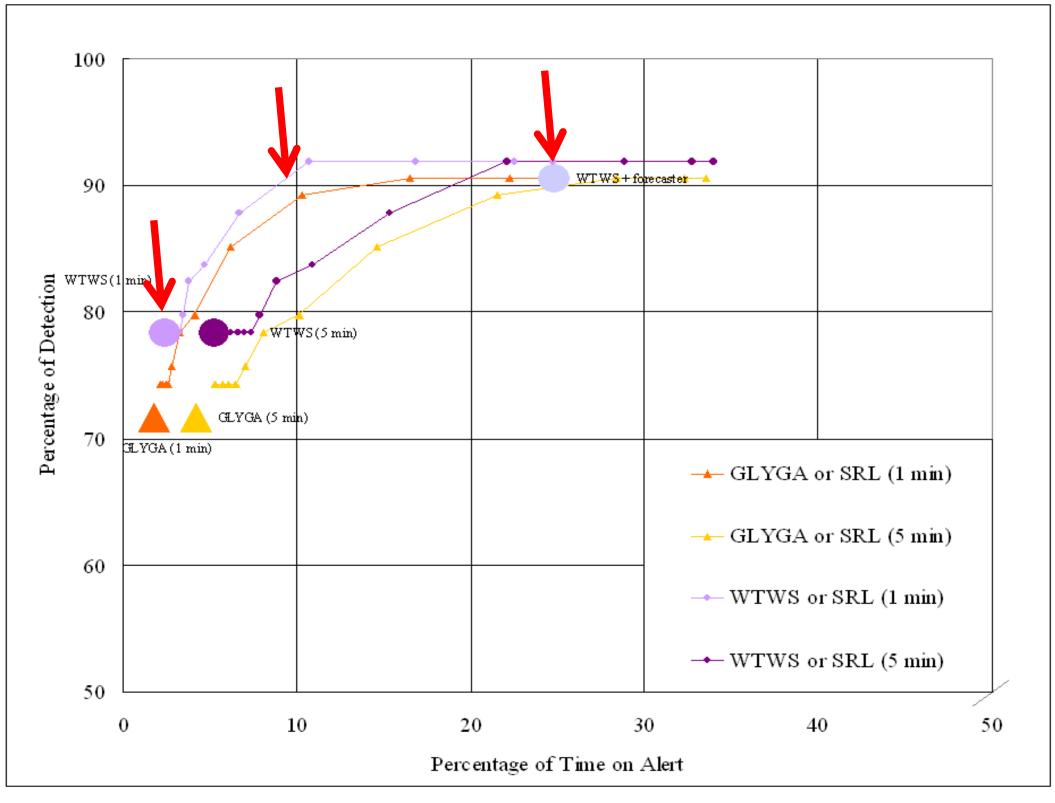
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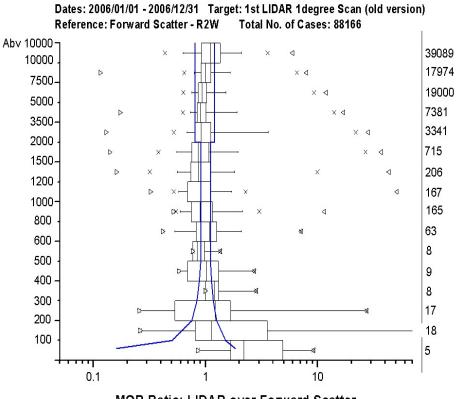
Windshear pilot report				
HKT	Aircraft Type	WTWS alert		
10:51	В744	NO		
10:59	B738	YES		
11:03	A321	YES		
11:07	A333	YES		

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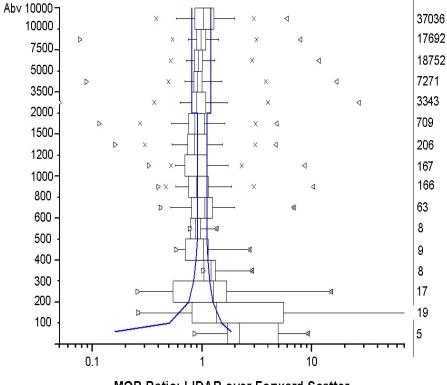


Box plots



MOR Ratio: LIDAR over Forward Scatter

Dates: 2006/01/01 - 2006/12/31 Target: 1st LIDAR 1degree Scan (Sensor Adjusted) Reference: Forward Scatter - R2W Total No. of Cases: 85471

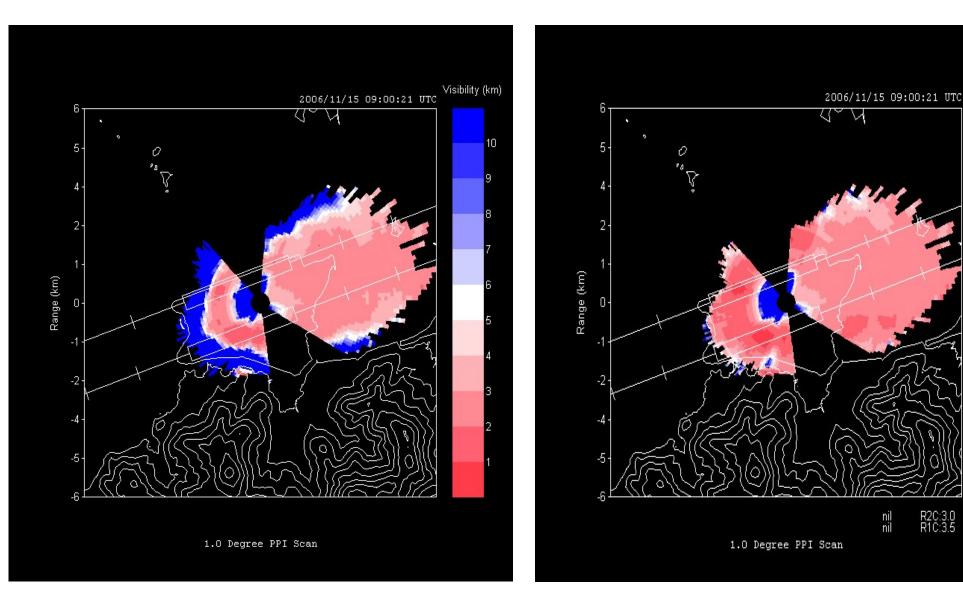


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Old vs new method

Visibility (km)

R2E:2.7 R1E:3.2



Work in progress

- Study of LIDAR-based F-factor in windshear alerting – using a larger sample, and departure flights
- Study of LIDAR-based EDR for turbulence alerting -> comparison with pilot reports
- Calculation of LIDAR EDR using spectral width approach
- Trials of short-range LIDAR in windshear alerting – over a longer period