



USING THE NASA NEESPI PORTAL DATA TO STUDY LAND, CLIMATE, AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHANGES IN NORTHERN EURASIA

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What is NEESPI?

NEESPI = Northern Eurasian Earth Science Partnership Initiative

What is this Initiative about?

- NEESPI is designed to establish an international, large-scale, interdisciplinary program aimed at developing a better understanding of the interactions between the terrestrial ecosystem, the atmosphere, and human dynamics in Northern Eurasia.

What are NEESPI goals?

- To conduct a large-scale, interdisciplinary program of funded research aimed at developing a better understanding of the interactions between the terrestrial ecosystem and the atmosphere, with a special emphasis on the human impacts and feedbacks in northern Eurasia in support of international Earth science programs with particular relevance to global climate change research interests (including carbon) and international sponsoring agency funding priorities.

What is the NEESPI study area?



- The NEESPI study area is loosely defined as the region lying between 15 E Lon in the west, the Pacific Coast in the east, 40 N Lat in the south, and the Arctic Ocean coastal zone in the north.
- Includes territories of the former USSR, Fennoscandia, Eastern Europe, Mongolia, and Northern China.
- All landscapes and components of the terrestrial biosphere, including the hydrology and atmosphere, that are interactive for purposes of Earth science investigation (to include the human impacts) are considered a part of NEESPI study area.



What ecosystem types are in northern Eurasia?

The vast territory encompasses:

- peat bog-tundra, forest tundra and boreal forests in the north
- forests and agriculture at the mid-latitudes
- forest-steppes, steppe, agriculture and arid zones in the south
- lakes, ice, and coastal zones throughout the region



NEESPI Science and Data Support Centers

Within the United States:

For hydrometeorological information:

National_Climatic_Data_Center, Asheville,_NC

For remote sensing information:

Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD

Within the Russian Federation:

For hydrometeorological information:

Research_Institute_For_Hydrometeorological_Information

For remote sensing information:

SCANEX Corp., Moscow

Within China with focus on East Asia:

Beijing Climate Center



NASA NEESPI Data Portal

<http://neespi.gsfc.nasa.gov>

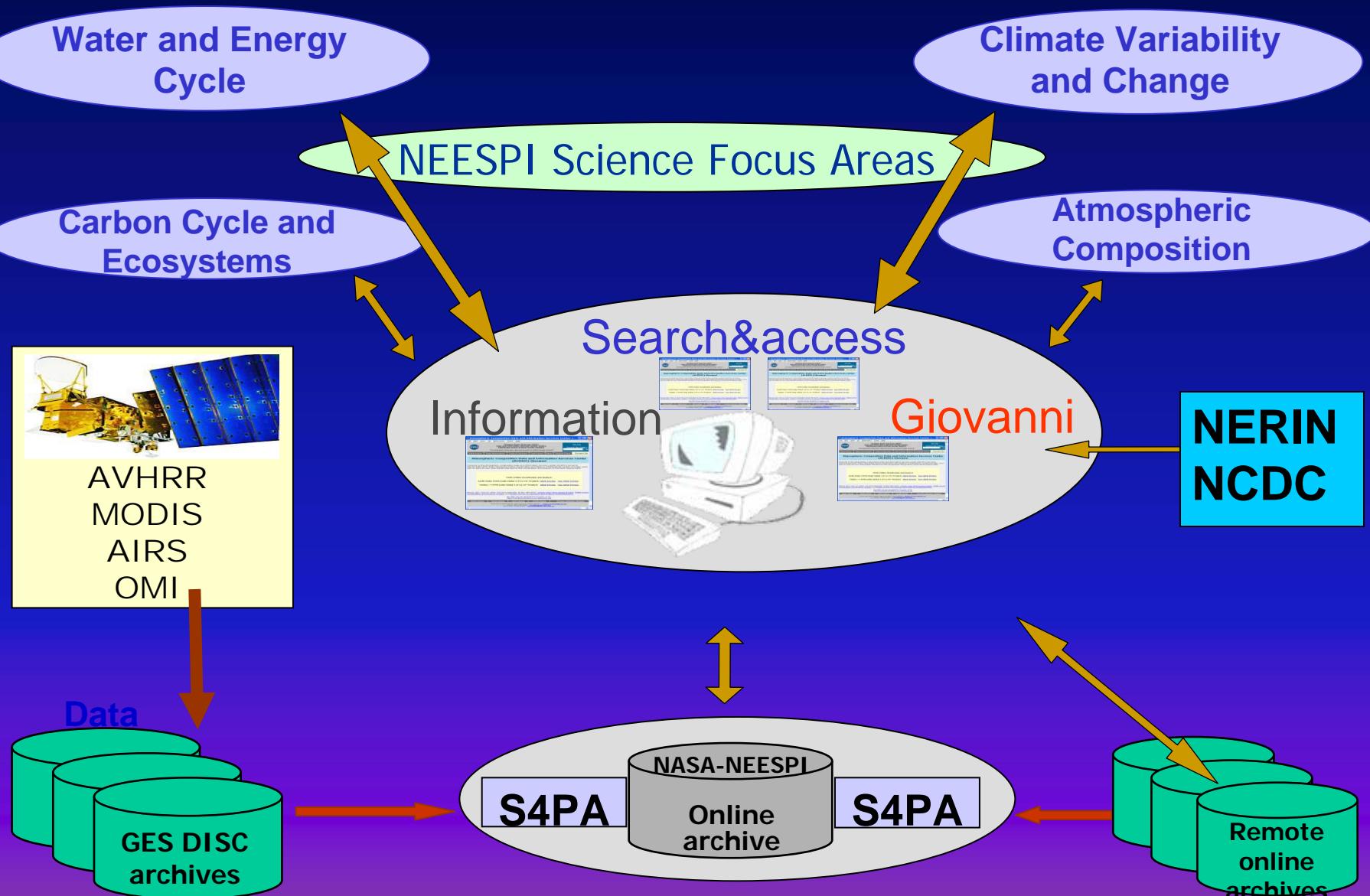
The screenshot shows the GES DISC NEESPI PORTAL homepage. The top navigation bar includes links for Edit, View, History, Bookmarks, Tools, Help, and a search bar. The address bar shows the URL <http://neespi.gsfc.nasa.gov/>. A horizontal menu bar at the top has categories: + ATMOS COMPOSITION, + HYDROLOGY, + A-TRAIN, + AIRS, + HURRICANES, + NEESPI (highlighted in blue), and + PRECIPITATION. Below the menu is a banner image titled "GES DISC NEESPI PORTAL" showing a satellite view of Earth. To the right of the banner is a globe with the word "NEESPI" overlaid. On the left, a sidebar menu lists: + GES DISC Home, NEESPI (selected), + OVERVIEW, + DATA HOLDINGS, Additional Features (+ News, + Science Focus, + Visualizations, + Partners, + Links), and a "WHAT'S HOT" section. The "WHAT'S HOT" section contains news items: "Data Visualization and Analysis" about the new NEESPI Giovanni instance, "LATEST NEWS" about a paper published in Environmental Research Letters, and "12.04.07 - GES DISC participation in the AGU Fall 2007 Meeting in San Francisco". At the bottom, a yellow box displays the PI and Co-Is information.

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NASA NEESPI Data Center Infrastructure Diagram





Goals and Approach of NASA NEESPI Data Center

NASA NEESPI Data Center focus is on collecting remote sensed data, providing tools and services in supporting NEESPI scientific objectives:

- Provide online data access through advanced data management system
- Reformatt data into common data format, common projection
- Preprocess data into same spatial resolution that enables inter-comparison or relationship studies
- Provide parameter and spatial subsetted data
- Online data visualization and analysis tool

Products processed for NASA NEESPI Data Center

- **Fire Products:** MODIS/Terra and MODIS/Aqua, derived from MOD14CM1 and MYD14CM1 using UMD algorithm
- **Vegetation index:** MODIS/Terra and MODIS/Aqua, derived from MODVI and MYDVI
- **Land Cover:** MODIS/Terra, derived from MOD12CM1
- **Land/Water mask:** MODLWM
- **Land Surface Temperature:** MODIS/Terra, derived from MOD11CM1
- **Soil Moisture:** AMSR-E, derived from AMSR_E_L3_DailyLand
- **Snow and Ice:** NOAA, derived from daily snow and cover in at NOAA/NESDIS within Interactive Multisensor Snow and Ice Mapping System (IMS)



Parameters in NEESPI Giovanni

Group	Parameter Name	Sensor Name	Available since: year/m	Status	
				month	day
Atmosphere	Aerosol Optical Depth at 0.55 micron	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Atmospheric Water Vapor (QA-weighted)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Aerosol Small Mode Fraction	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Fraction (Day and Night)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Fraction (Day only/Night only))	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Optical Depth - Total (QA-w)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Optical Depth - Ice (QA-w)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Optical Depth - Liquid (QA-w)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud effective radius - Total (QA-W)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud effective radius - Ice (QA-W)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud effective radius - Liquid (QA-W)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Top Pressure (Day and Night)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Top Pressure (Day only/Night only)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Top temperature (Day and Night)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Cloud Top temperature (Day only/Night only)	MODIS-Terra/Aqua	00.02/02.07	OPS	TS
	Column Amount Ozone	Aura OMI	04.08/	NA	TS
	NO2 Total Vertical Column Density	Aura OMI	04.10	NA	TS
	NO2 Tropospheric Vertical Column Density	Aura OMI	04.10	NA	TS
Land Surface	GPCP precipitation	GPCP Derived	79.01	OPS	WK
	Cloud and Overpass Corrected Fire Pixel Count	MODIS-Terra	01.01	OPS	WK
	Overpass Corrected Fire Pixel Count	MODIS-Terra	01.01	OPS	WK
	Mean Cloud Fraction over Land for Fire Detection	MODIS-Terra	01.01	OPS	WK
	Mean Fire Radiative Power	MODIS-Terra	01.01	OPS	WK
	Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI)	MODIS-Terra	00.02	OPS	WK
	Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)	MODIS-Terra	00.02	OPS	WK
	Land Surface Temperature (daytime/nighttime)	MODIS-Terra	00.03	OPS	WK
	Surface Air Temperature	AIRS	02.08	TS	TS
	Surface Skin Temperature	AIRS	02.08	TS	TS
Cryosphere	Soil Moisture Mean	AMSR-E	02.07	OPS	WK
	Ice Occurrence Frequency	NESDIS/IMS	00.01	OPS	WK
	Snow Occurrence Frequency	NESDIS/IMS	00.01	OPS	WK

OPS = operational, TS = in testing, WK = working on, NA = Data not available



NEESPI Data Access Methods

- ftp:
- Mirador: online search and access
- Giovanni instances:
 - OPS: neespi
 - Available to partners: neespi_daily
 - In testing: landcover, nightlight, IPCC models

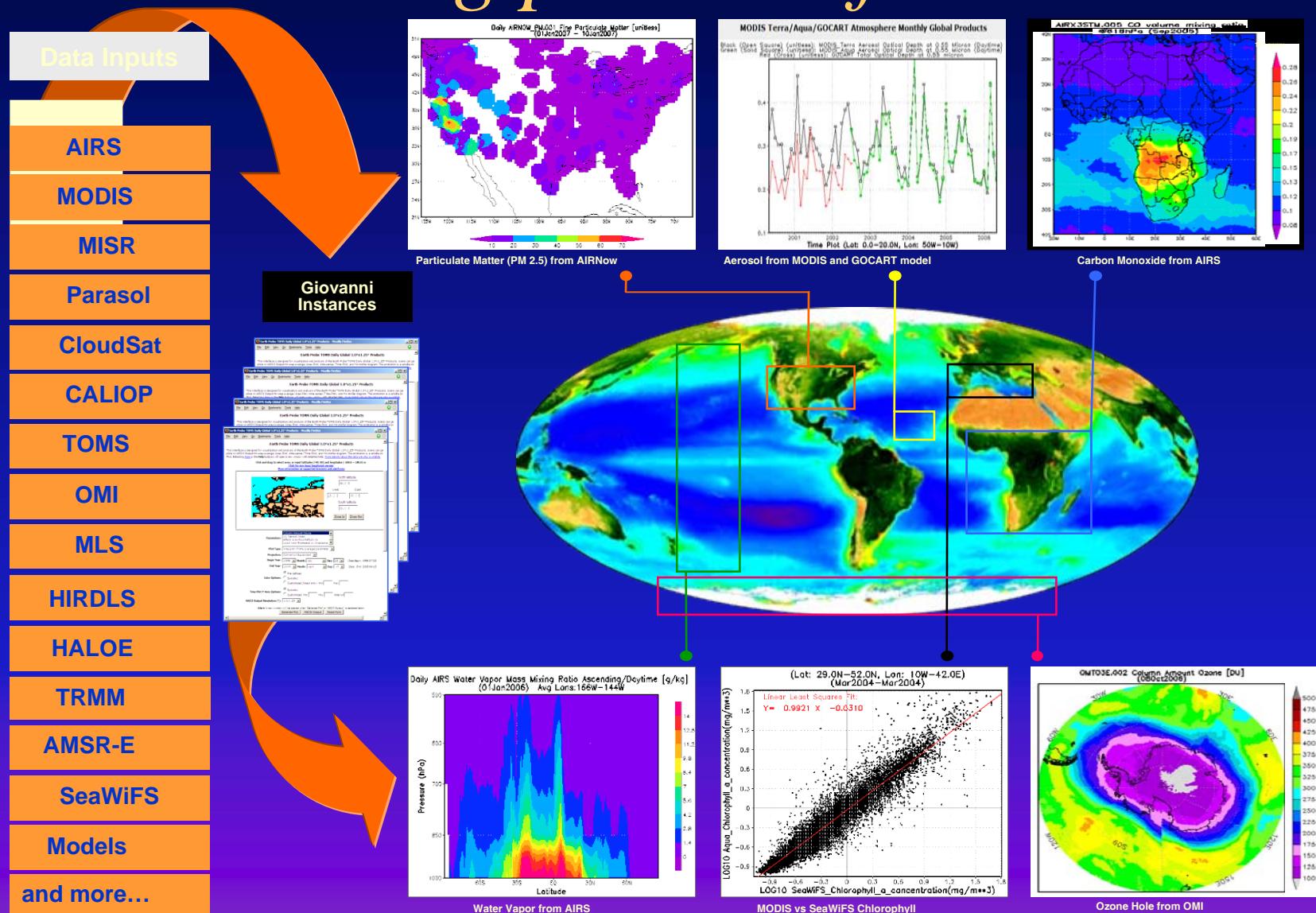


What is Giovanni?

- Online portal for multi-sensor and multi-disciplinary exploration tool
- Visualization and statistical analysis
- A **customizable** Web-based interface
- No need to install software
- No need to download, learn data formats, and process data
- Select, click, explore
- Download image or data in different formats
- Product lineage (data processing and algorithm steps)



Big picture of Giovanni





Main Giovanni page: <http://giovanni.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

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+ GES DISC Home

Giovanni

The Bridge Between Data and Science

OVERVIEW supply title text

What is Giovanni?

Giovanni is a Web-based application developed by the GES DISC that provides a simple and intuitive way to visualize, analyze, and access vast amounts of Earth science remote sensing data without having to download the data.

Current Giovanni Interfaces

Now that you know what Giovanni is, you may be anxious to get started. The list below shows our current Giovanni instances. To first learn more about Giovanni, read on.

TRMM Online Visualization and Analysis System (TOVAS), TRMM rainfall products, near-real-time 3-hourly, Multi-Satellite Precipitation Analysis, and rainfall ground observation data	View snapshot
MODIS, MISR, and Model Data Online Visualization and Analysis System (MOVAS), daily and monthly global MODIS aerosol data, GOCART model data, and MISR monthly global aerosol data	View snapshot
A-Train Along CloudSat Track featuring CloudSat cloud and MODIS Aqua temperature and humidity data	View snapshot
NEESPI (Northern Eurasia Earth Science Partnership Initiative) monthly products	View snapshot
Aura MLS version 2.2 daily near-global profile data	View snapshot
Aura MLS version 1.5 daily near-global profile data	View snapshot
Aura OMI Level 3 bi-retro and TOMS-like daily	View snapshot

GIOVANNI NEWS

03.11.08 - Giovanni Release 3.0.6
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11.13.07 - GES DISC participation in the AGU Fall 2007 Meeting in San Francisco
+ [Read More](#)

08.02.07 - NEESPI Giovanni 3.03 release available
+ [Read More](#)

06.25.07 - A-Train Data Depot Enhancements
+ [Read More](#)

06.01.07 - New Giovanni interface for Aqua/Terra MODIS daily aerosols
+ [Read More](#)

05.24.07 - OMI L2G OMNO2 Added to Giovanni
+ [Read More](#)

04.05.07 - New Giovanni for A-Train data along CloudSat track
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03.30.07 - Experimental Operational NEESPI Giovanni available
+ [Read More](#)

03.28.07 - New GSM products added to Ocean Color Giovanni
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Giovanni-NEESPI

Select area (Lat/Lon value)

- Enter Lat/lon or draw box on map
- Map zoom in/out
- Sliding map left/right to draw box across dateline

Select parameters

- One or more parameters
- Description of parameters
- Product name
- Sensor/model name
- Time coverage

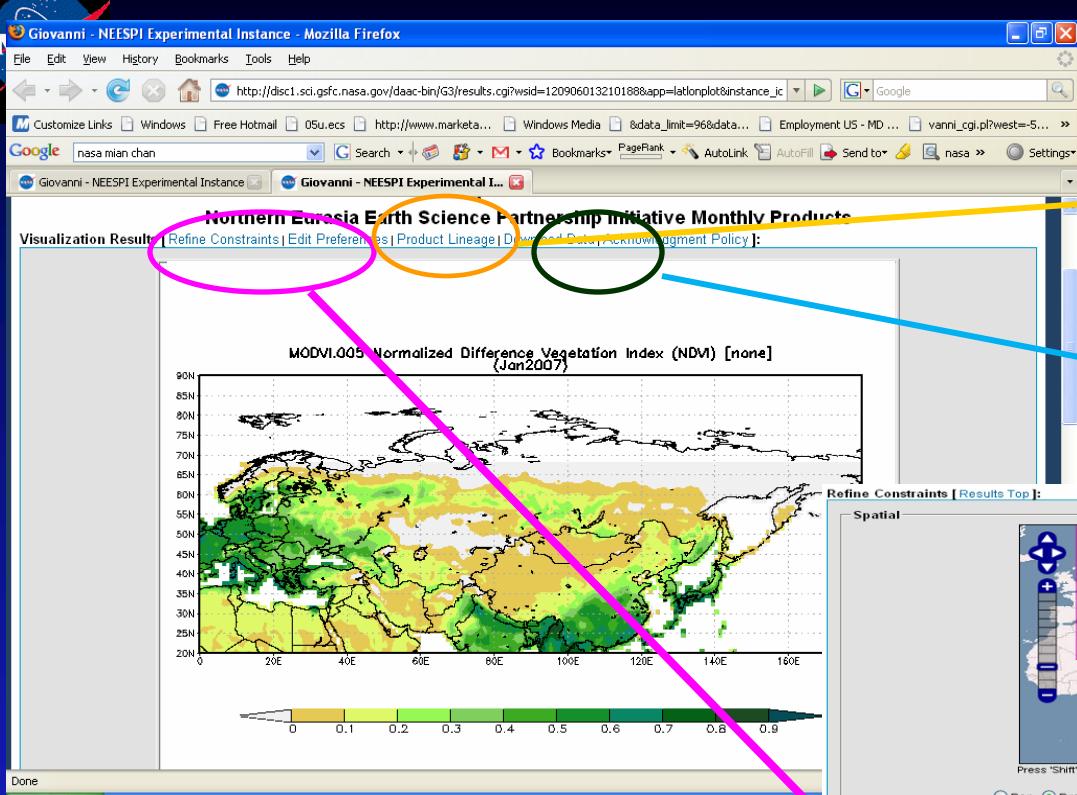
Select temporal range

Select visualization type

Submit

Parameter	Description	Source	Date Range
MOD14CMI.004	MODIS Terra Derived	2001/01/01 - 2006/12/31	
MODV.005	MODIS-Terra Derived	2000/02/01 - 2008/02/29	
Day_LST.001	MODIS-Terra Derived	2000/03/01 - 2004/12/01	
Night_LST.001	MODIS-Terra Derived	2000/03/01 - 2007/02/28	
MOD14CMI.004	MODIS-Terra Derived	2001/01/01 - 2006/12/31	
MOD14CMI.004	MODIS-Terra Derived	2001/01/01 - 2006/12/31	
Ice_Stat.001	NESDIS/IMS Derived	2000/01/01 - 2008/02/28	
Snow_Stat.001	NESDIS/IMS Derived	2000/01/01 - 2008/03/01	
snowStat.001	NESDIS/IMS Derived	2000/01/01 - 2008/05/01	

Results page



Product Lineage

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Plot Preferences

- Image size
- Color
- Projection
- Smooth

This screenshot shows the 'Plot Preferences' section of the visualization interface. It includes fields for 'Image Width' (700), 'Image Height' (500), 'Decoration Flag' (Yes), 'Color Bar' settings (Mode: Pre-Defined, Palette: Rainbow, Min Value: 0, Max Value: 1), 'Projection' (Equidistant Cylindrical), and 'Smooth Flag' (Yes). There are also descriptive text boxes for each setting. At the bottom are 'Submit Refinements' and 'Reset' buttons.



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NEESPI Experimental Instance

Northern Eurasia Earth Science Partnership Initiative Monthly Products

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Download source data products and data products derived from Giovanni processing stages. For simplicity purposes, only the initial retrieval and final rendering phases are currently accessible for downloading.

Initial Data Retrieval

Data Product	Start Time	File Size	Download Files (HDF, netCDF, ASCII, KMZ)
MODVI.005	2007-05-01T00:00:00Z		HDF NCD ASC

Two Dimensional Map Plot

Input Files:

MODVI.005	2007-05-01T00:00:00Z	HDF NCD ASC
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Output Files:

EVI.MODVI.005.AreaMap.2007-05.gif	KMZ
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Browse the processing details of the *Lat-Lon map of time-averaged differences* visualization service.

Data Fetching
Fetched data file(s) using and temporal constraints of 2005-04-01T00:00:00Z to 2005-06-30T00:00:00Z , then extracted parameter(s):
Aerosol Optical Depth at 550 nm from MOD08_M3.005
Aerosol Optical Depth at 550 nm from MYD08_M3.005

Grads Redgridding
Regridded files in the coarsest resolution.

Grid Subsetter
Extracted spatial subset of each parameter in previous step using spatial constraint of South: 9.0 North: 80.0 East: 152.0 West: 18.0

Difference Map and Difference Time-Series
Calculated difference of selected parameters at each grid point.

Time Averaging
Averaged all parameters at each grid point over a time period of 2005-04-01T00:00:00Z to 2005-06-30T00:00:00Z

Two Dimensional Map Plot
Generated image(s) with options: Map Projection = latlon ; Smooth Type = 3

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Input/output data formats

- Input data format: hdf, hdfeos, netCDF, binary
- Input data type: gridded, swath

- Output data format: hdf, netCDF, ascii
- Output image format: gif, png, KMZ



Giovanni and GIS

Giovanni can be accessed in a machine-to-machine way via Web Mapping Service (**WMS**) and Web Coverage Service (**WCS**) protocols.

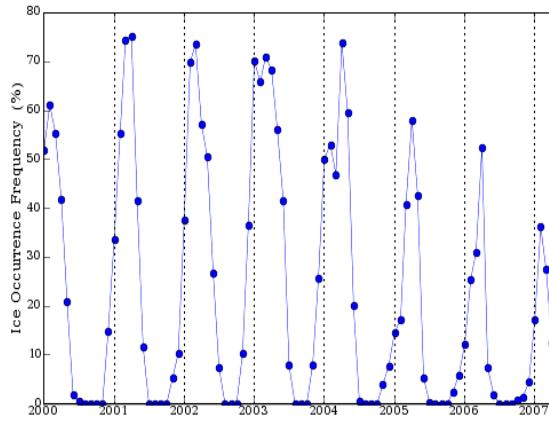
- Giovanni can act as WMS or WCS server, thus allowing any GIS clients to add layers or get subsetted data from Giovanni.
- Giovanni also can act as WCS client by getting remotely located data via WCS.



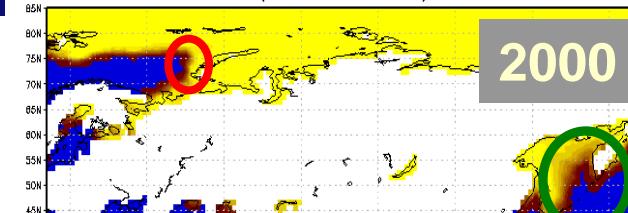
Examples of using Giovanni NEESPI

Decrease of Ice Occurrence?

Area-Averaged Time Series (Ice_Stat.001)
(Region: 46E-54E, 68N-78N)

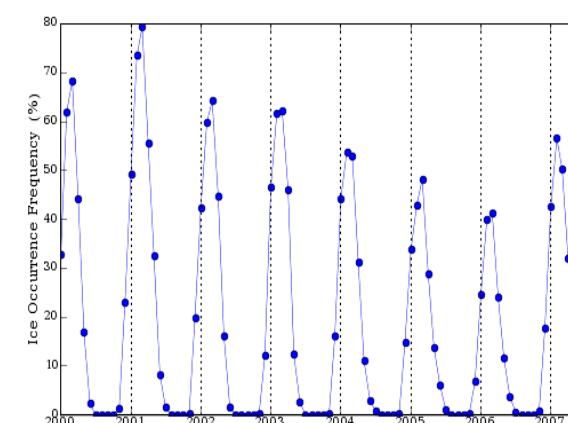


Ice_Stat.001 Ice Occurrence Frequency [%]
(JAN2000-APR2000)

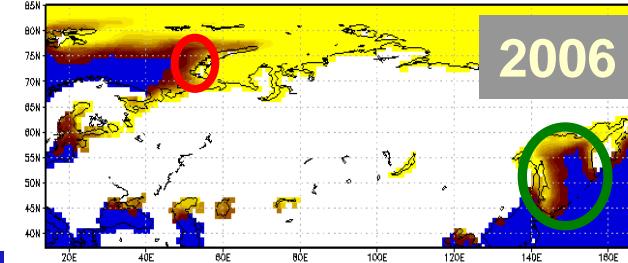


2000

Area-Averaged Time Series (Ice_Stat.001)
(Region: 134E-154E, 44N-61N)



Ice_Stat.001 Ice Occurrence Frequency [%]
(JAN2006-APR2006)



2006

GRADS: COLA/ICES

0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
Ice Occurrence (%)

2007-12-03-17:08

Jan-Apr

Barents Sea

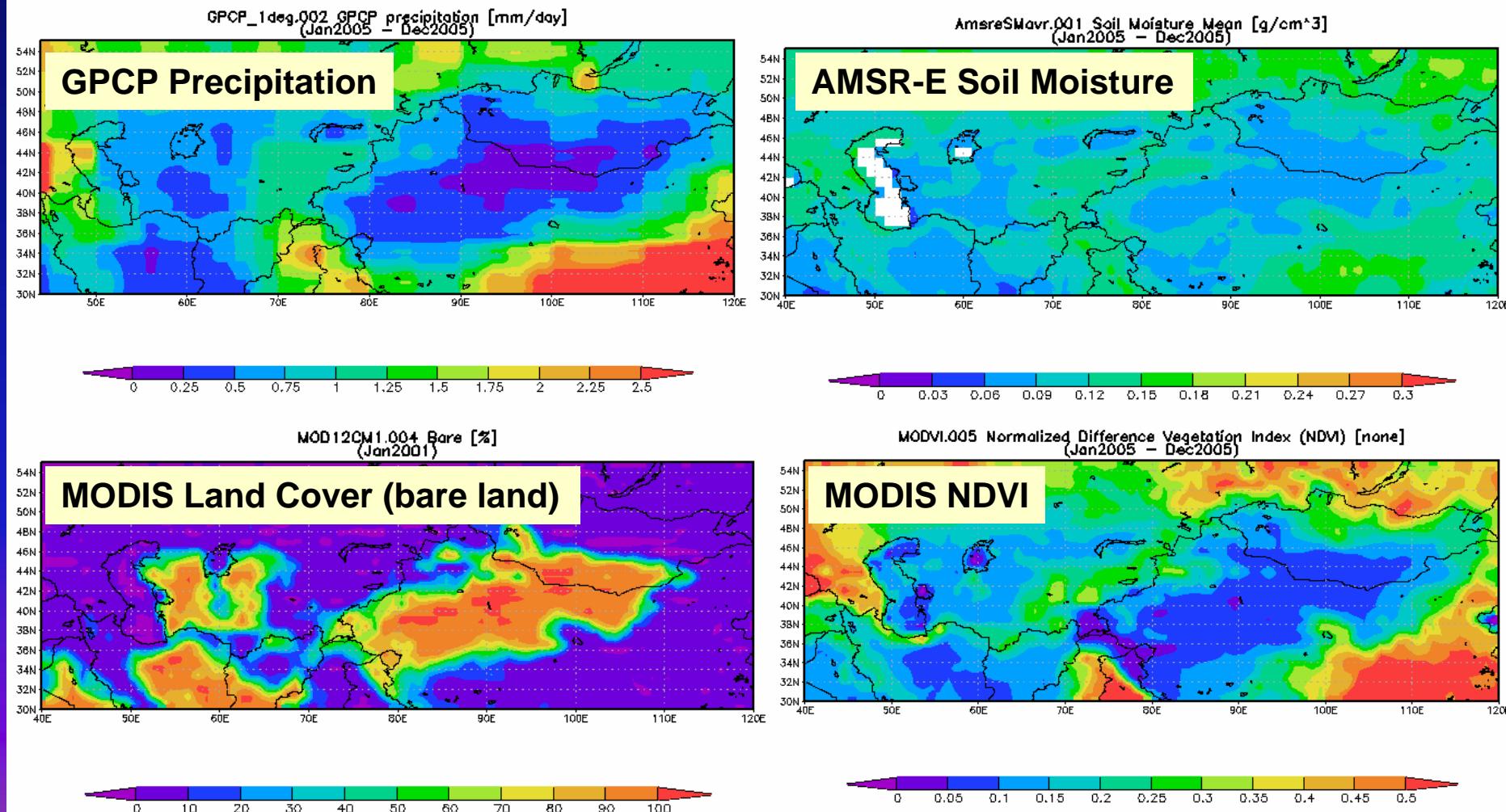
Sea of Okhotsk



*Exploration of the role of lagged effects
of ecological processes on catastrophic
fire occurrence in various regions of
Northern Eurasia.*

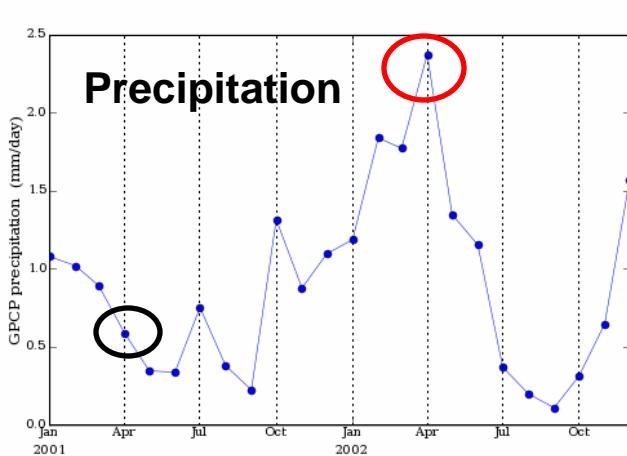


Multi-sensor view of dry land in mid-Asia, northwestern China, and Mongolia

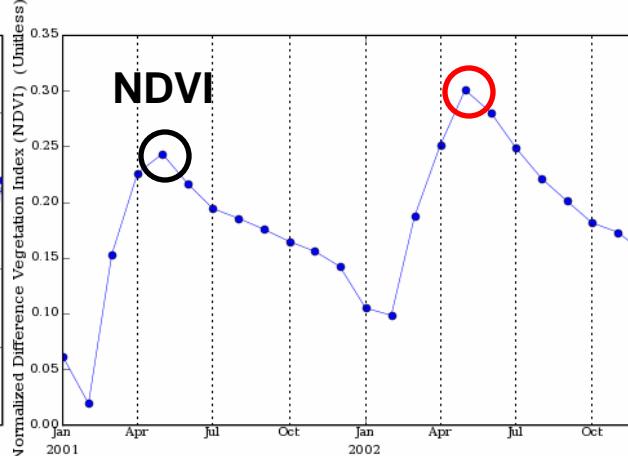


Interannual Variations of Fire Occurrence over Mid-Asia Dry Land

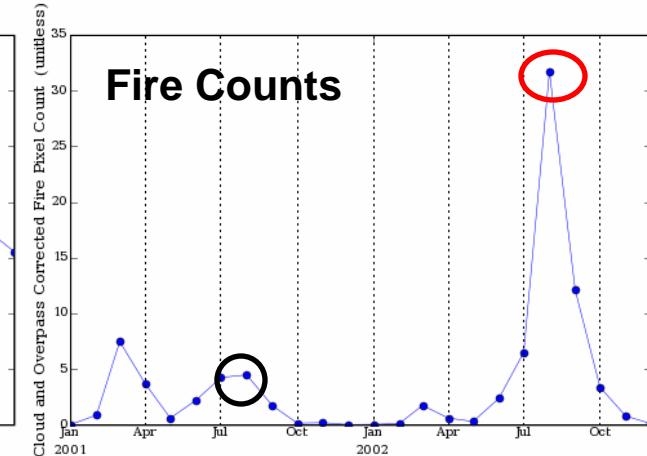
Area-Averaged Time Series (GPCP_1deg.002)
(Region: 60E-75E, 38N-50N)



Area-Averaged Time Series (MODVI.005)
(Region: 60E-75E, 38N-50N)



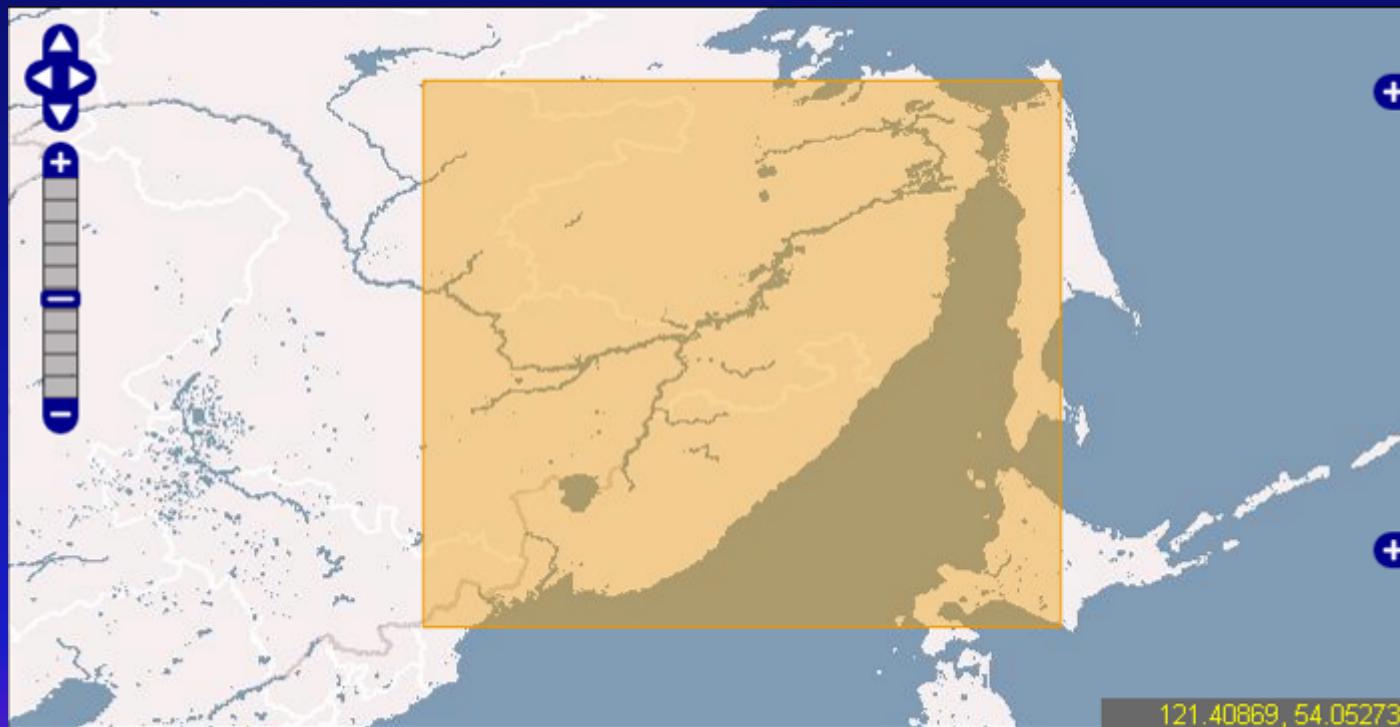
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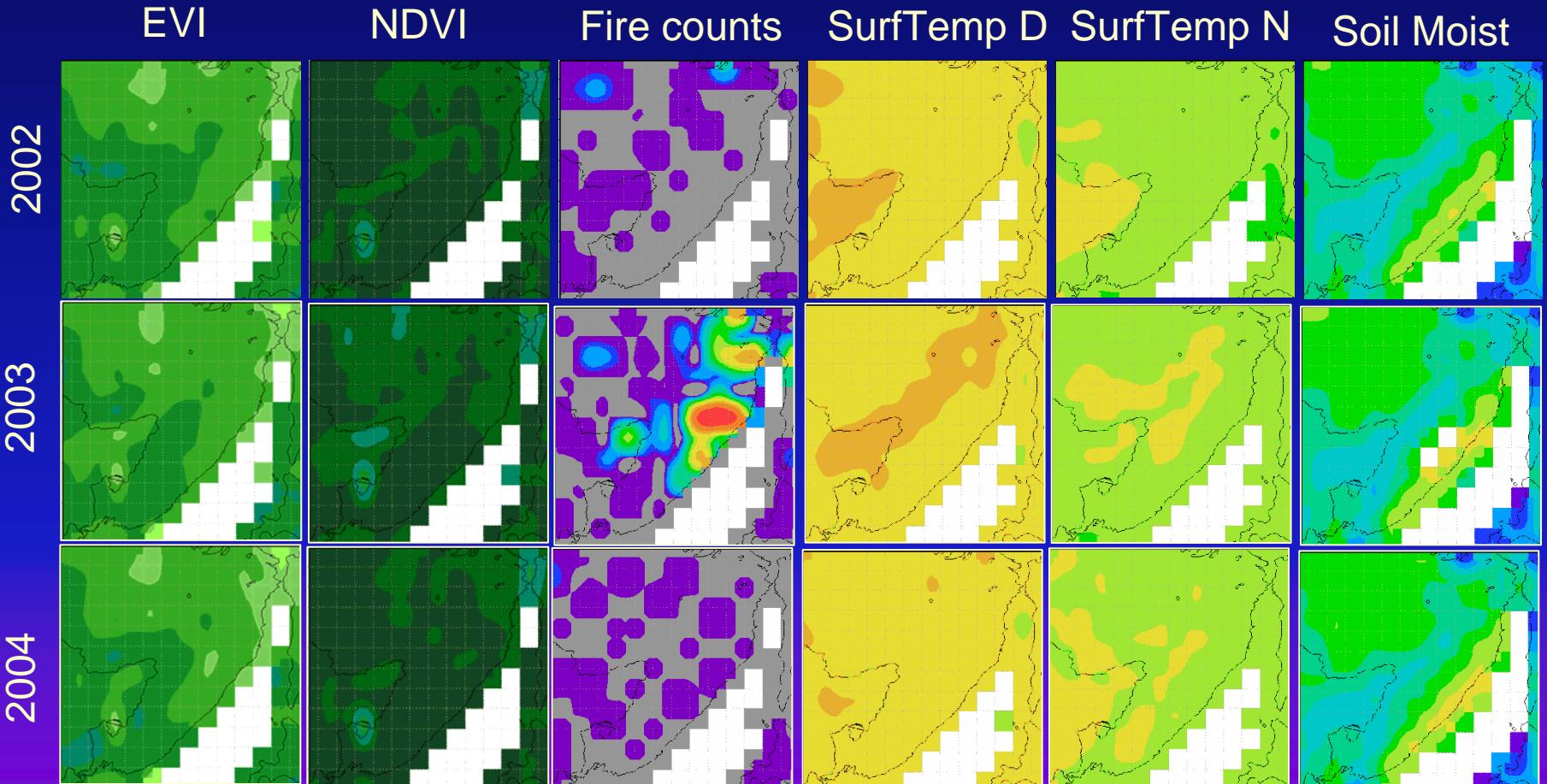
Monthly precipitation, vegetation index, and fire counts over western Kazakhstan during 2001-2002. Increased precipitation during spring of 2002 induced an increase in plant productivity and the corresponding NDVI signal. The enhanced plant productivity potentially leads to a greater accumulation of fuels. Fuel accumulation results in increased fire occurrence (observed through Fire Counts) during fall season.



Zooming onto Russian Far East



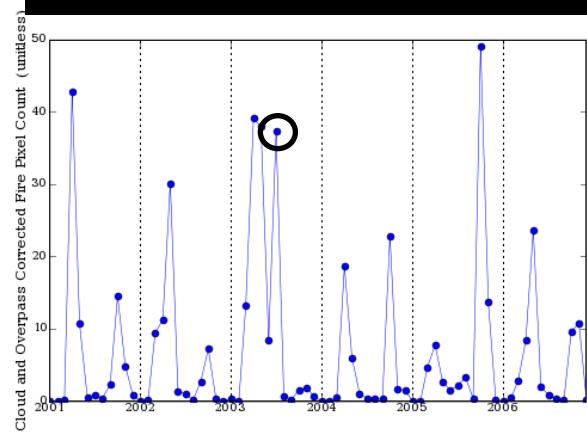
Spatial patterns for different parameters for July (different years)



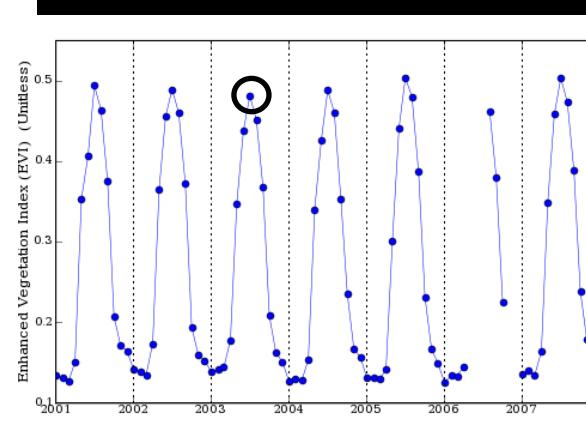
No significant difference in the July environment for 2002, 2003, and 2004

Exploring time-series for different parameters

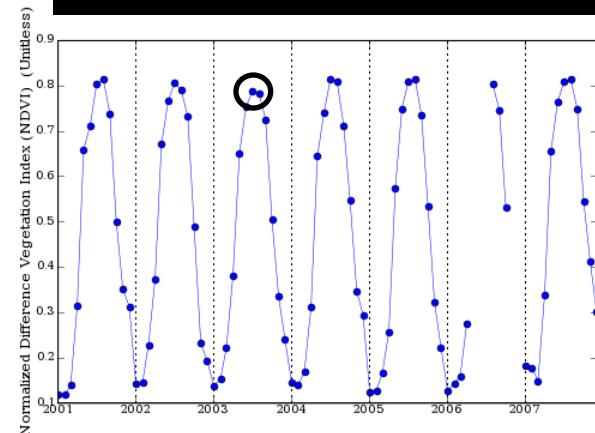
Fire Counts



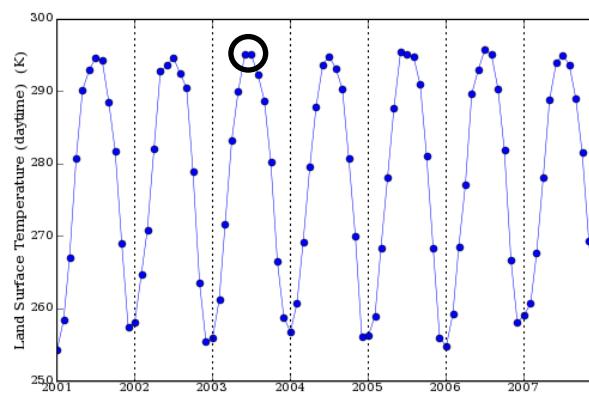
EVI



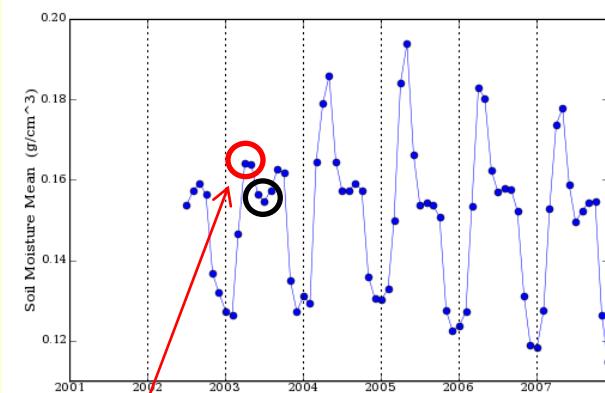
NDVI



Surface Temperature (day)



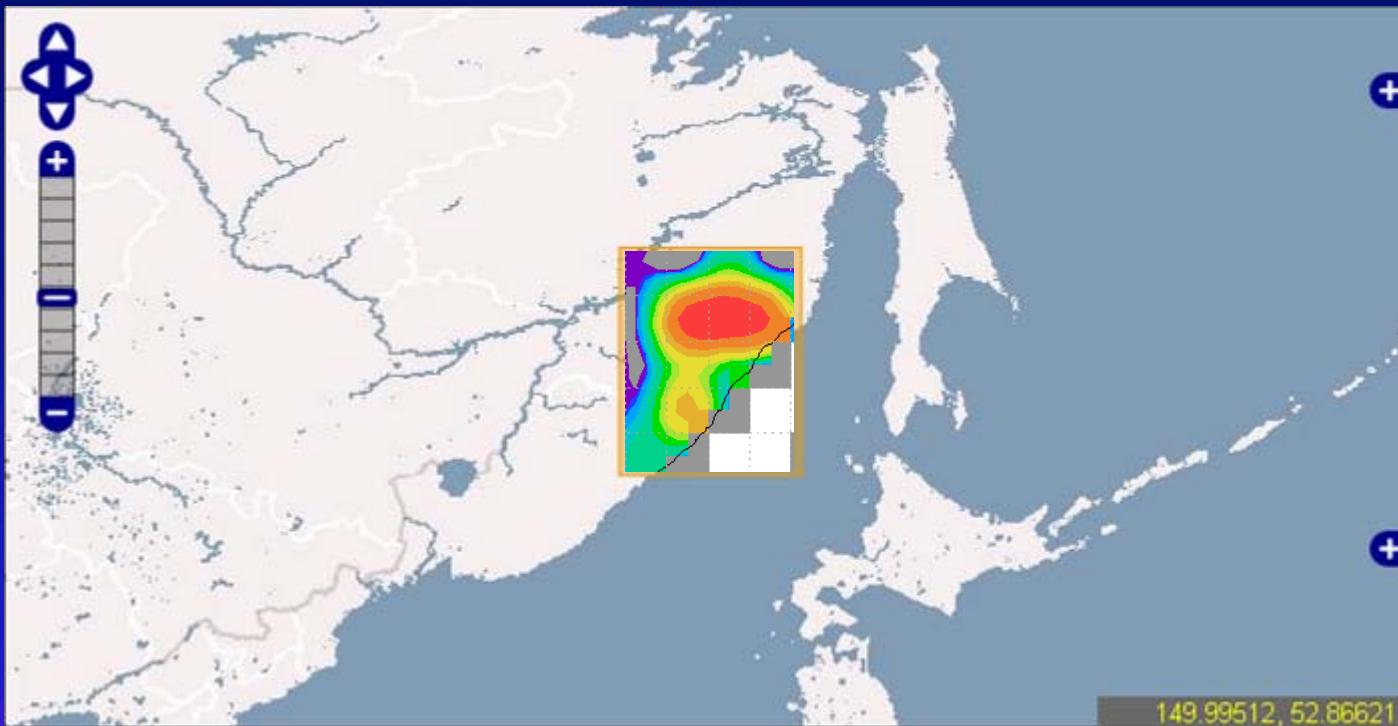
Soil Moisture



Dry Spring?

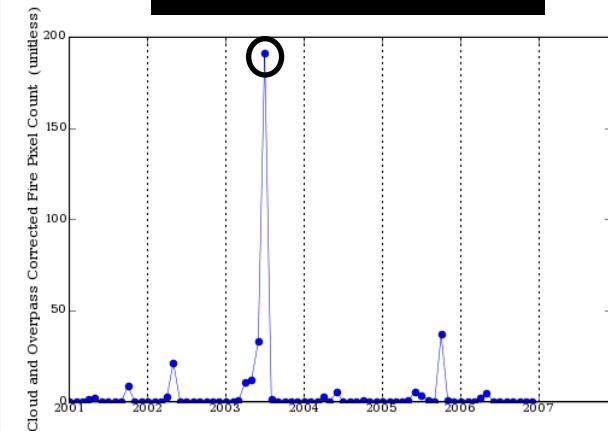


Zooming onto Fires in Russian Far East

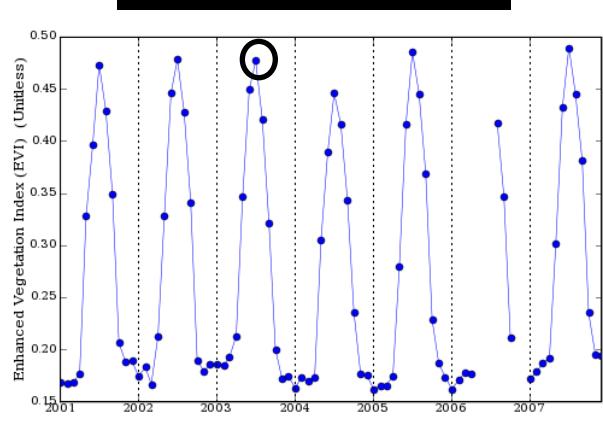


Analyzing time-series for various parameters

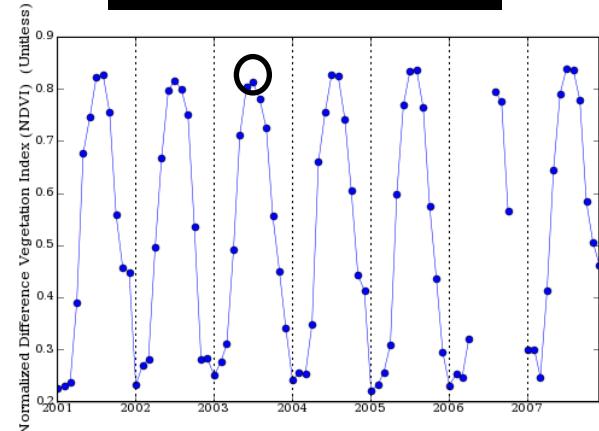
Fire Counts



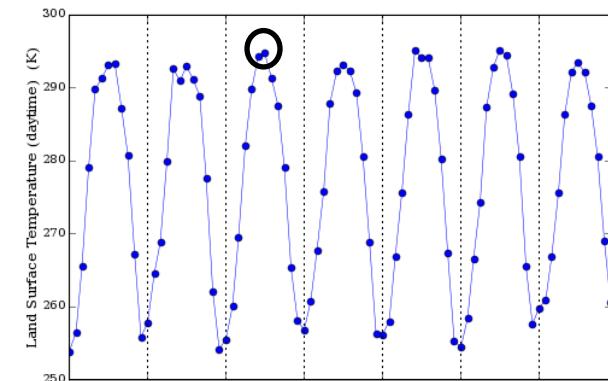
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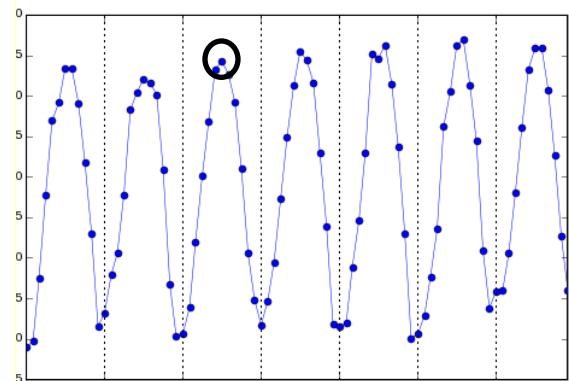
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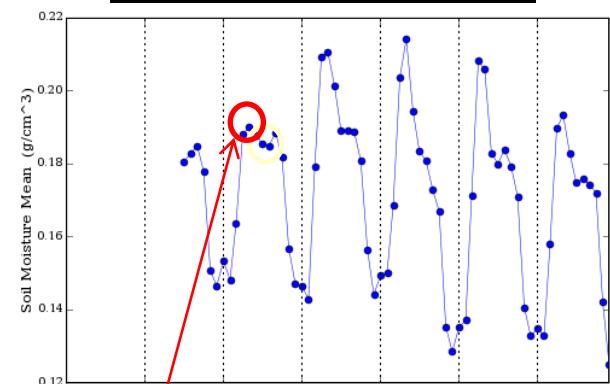
Surface Temperature (day)



Surface Temperature (night)

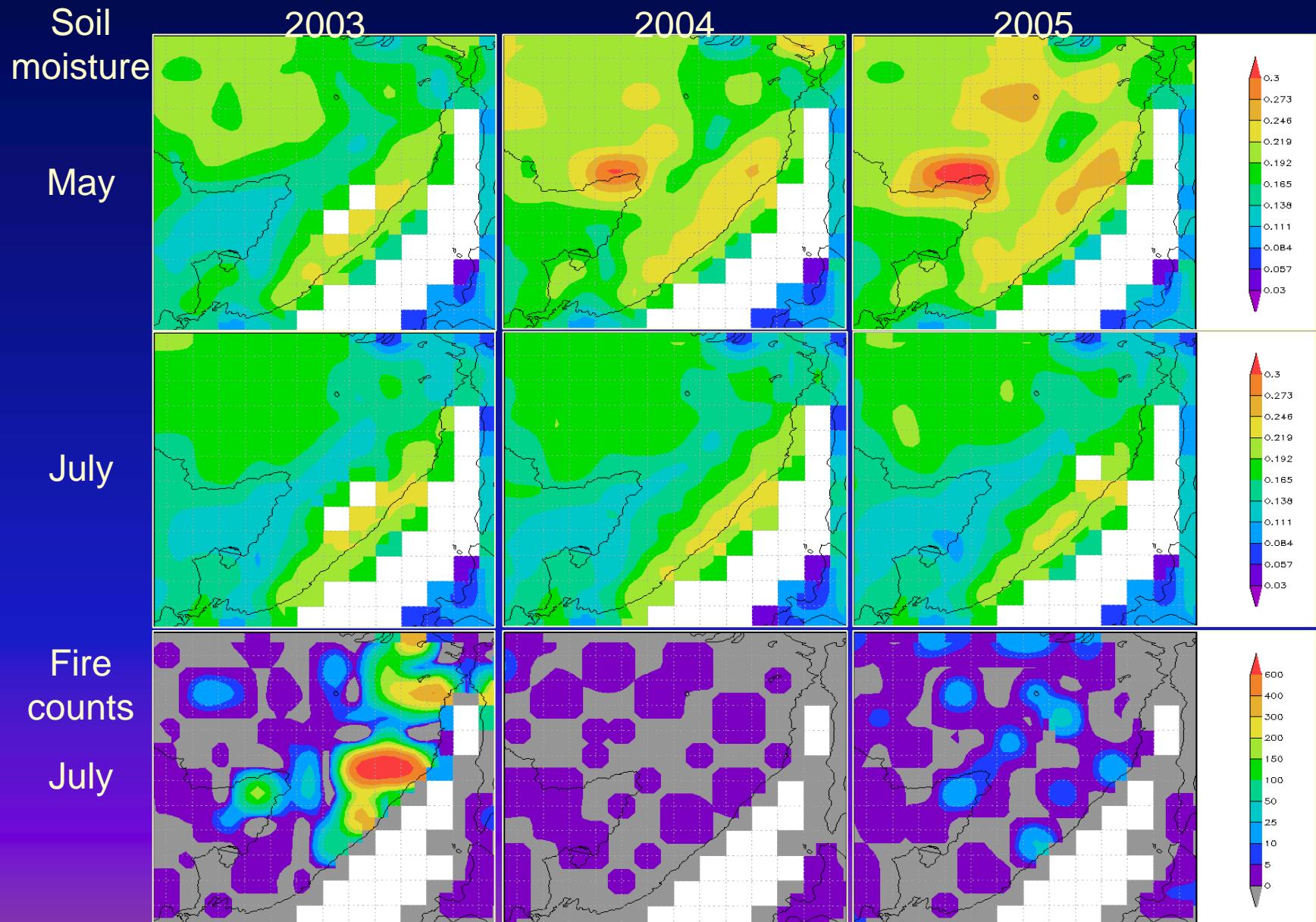


Soil Moisture



Dry Spring!

Snapshots in May and July



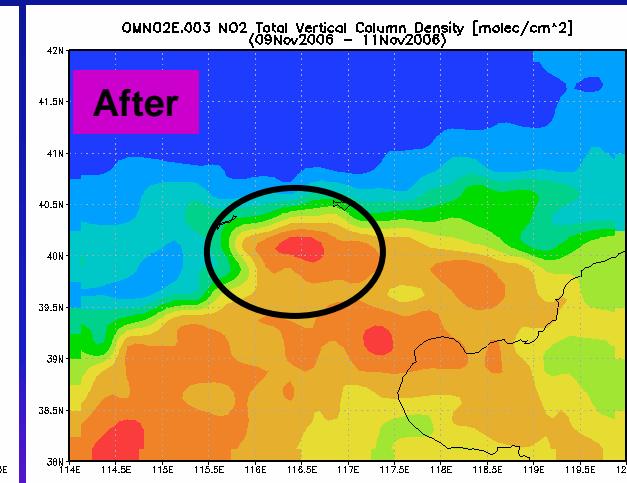
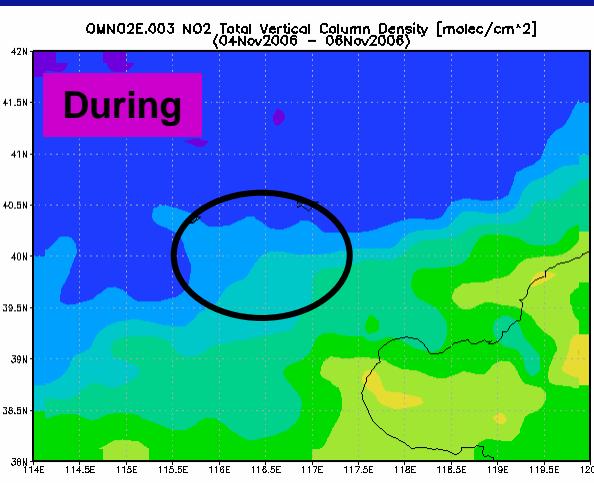
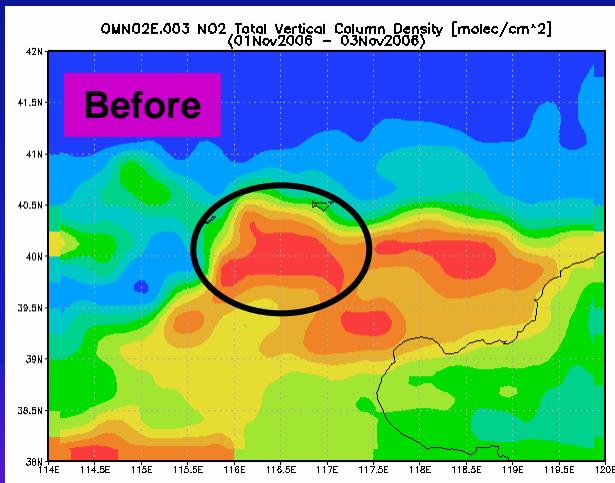
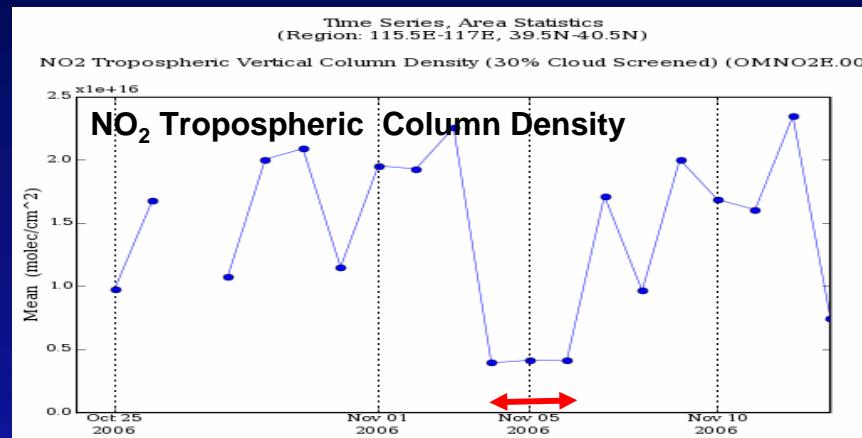
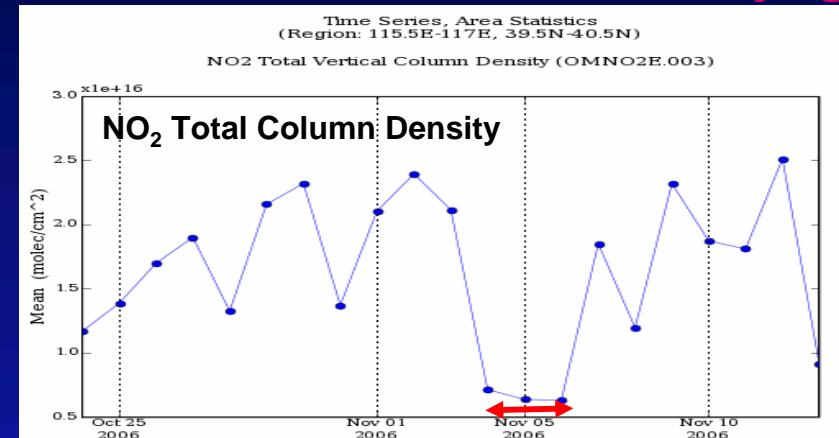


Conclusion of the Russian Fire East fire danger exploration example

- A large number of fires detected in July of 2003 – a nearly 200-time increase in fire detections compared to other years during 2001-2006. despite the summer monsoon suppression of large fire occurrence.
- Traditional vegetation indices (NDVI and EVI) included in operational fire danger assessment provide little information on the fuel state in this ecosystem pre- or post-fire.
- No considerable differences in surface temperature and soil moisture in July were observed between the catastrophic year of 2003 and the two subsequent years of low summer fire occurrence of 2004 and 2005.
- However, the temporal analysis indicates that dry spring conditions in 2003 (detected through low soil moisture measurements in April and May) may have led to a stressed vegetative state and created conditions conducive to catastrophic fire occurrence.

Observing Air Quality Changes

Nov 4-6 2006 Beijing Car Restriction Test



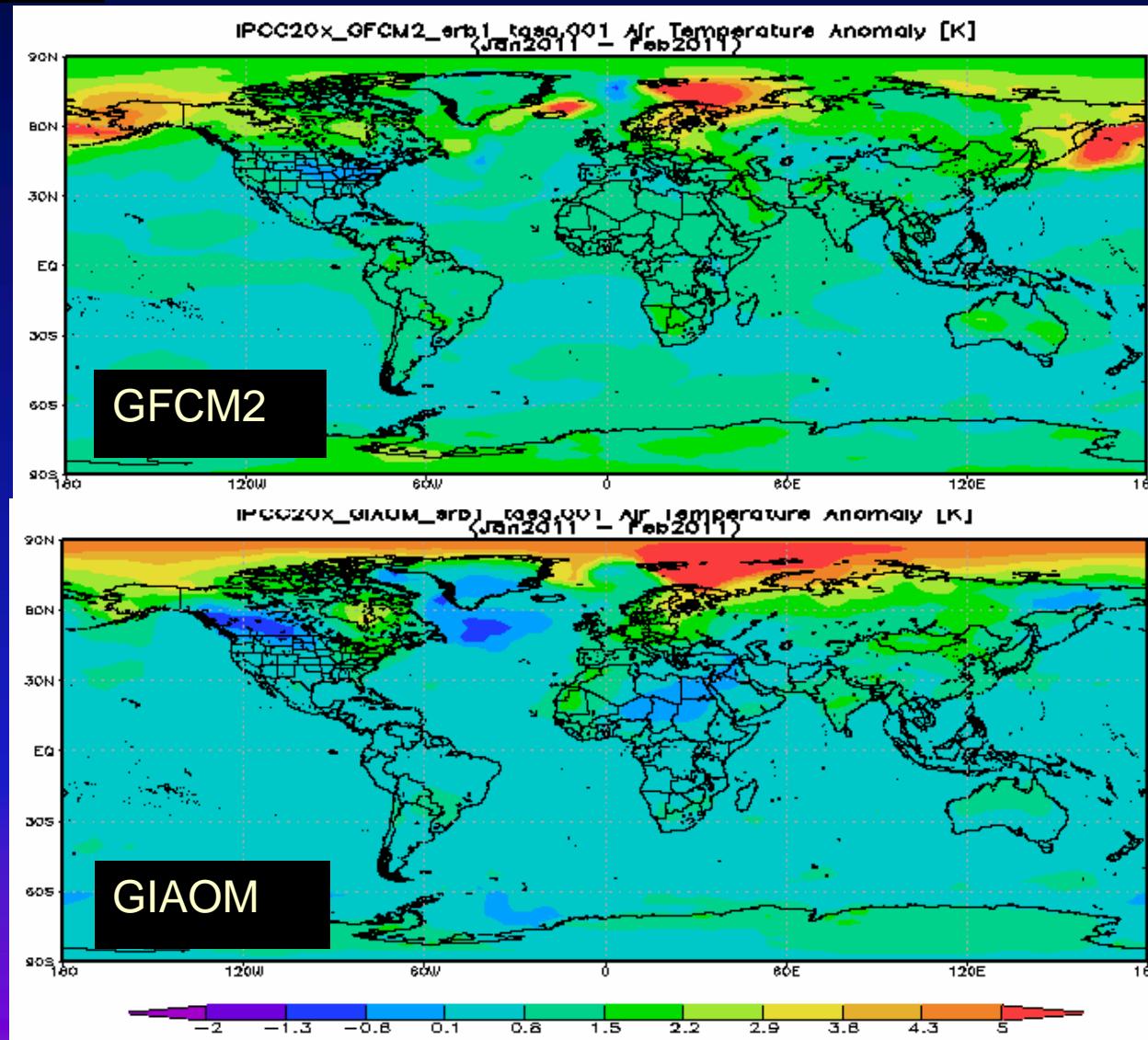
NO₂ column density observed from Aura OMI before, during, and after car restriction test event in Beijing. About 30% of the cars were reduced during Nov. 4-6 2006, coincided with the Summit of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation. The NO₂ values were lowered significantly during the car-restricted days.



Future plans

- Add air-quality related remote sensing data
- Make public the daily products
- Add climatology and anomalies
- Move to 8-day products
- Add more model data
- Add socio-economical data
- Integrate “seamless” links to other NEESPI data centers and projects

Model data



IPCC: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

GFCM2: GFDL-CM2

GIAOM: NASA GMAO-IAOM

Scenario: SRB1

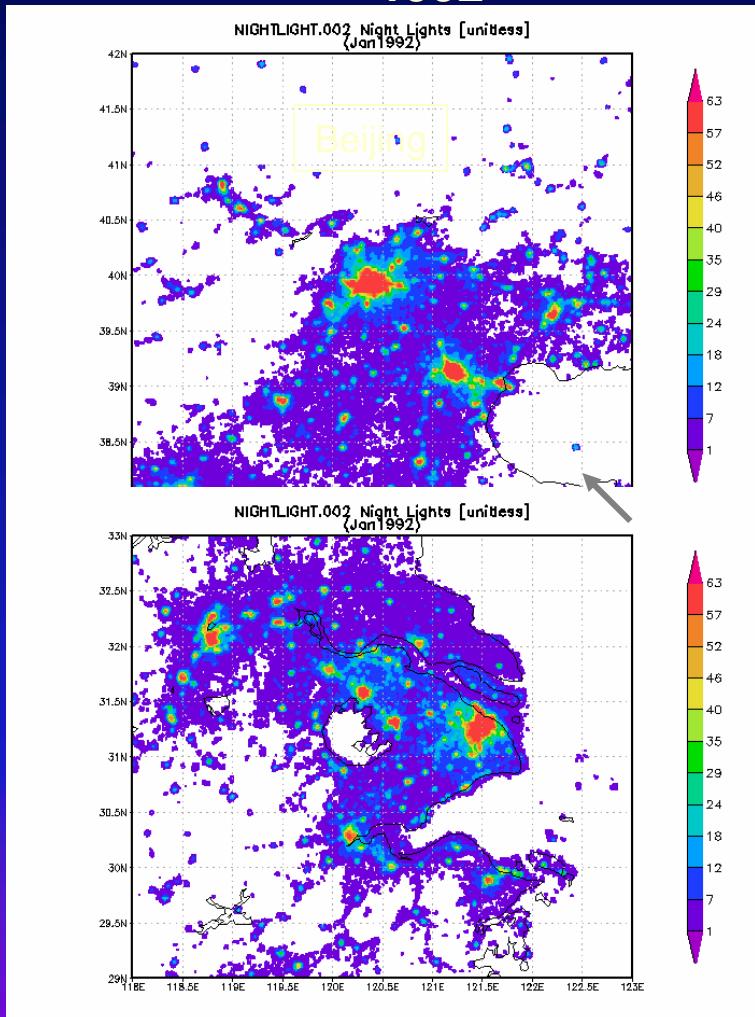
Base period: 1960-1990

Surface Temperature Anomaly in 2011-2030

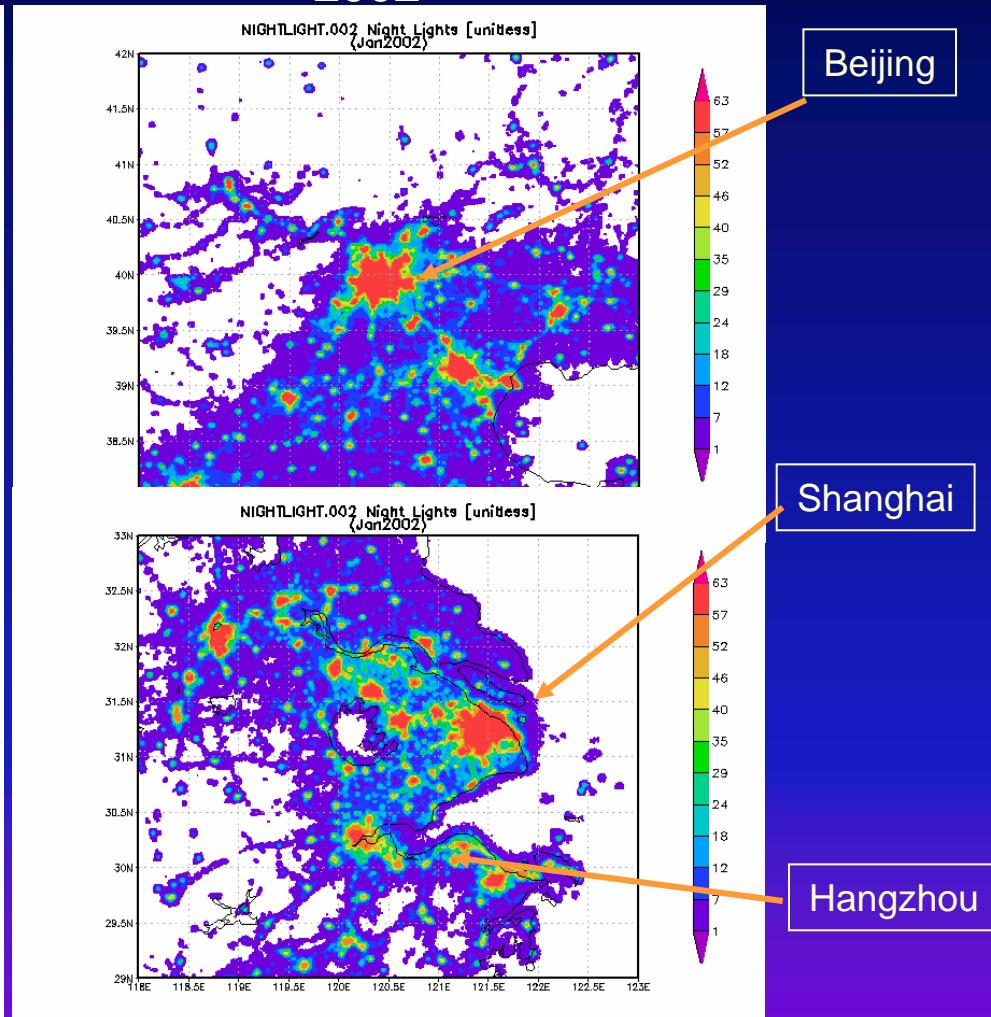


Night Light Observed from Space

1992



2002



Data source: Defense Meteorological Satellite Program (DMSP), NOAA NGDC



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