

Downscaling of GLM Lightning Observations Using ISS-LIS Data (Initial Report)

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Overview

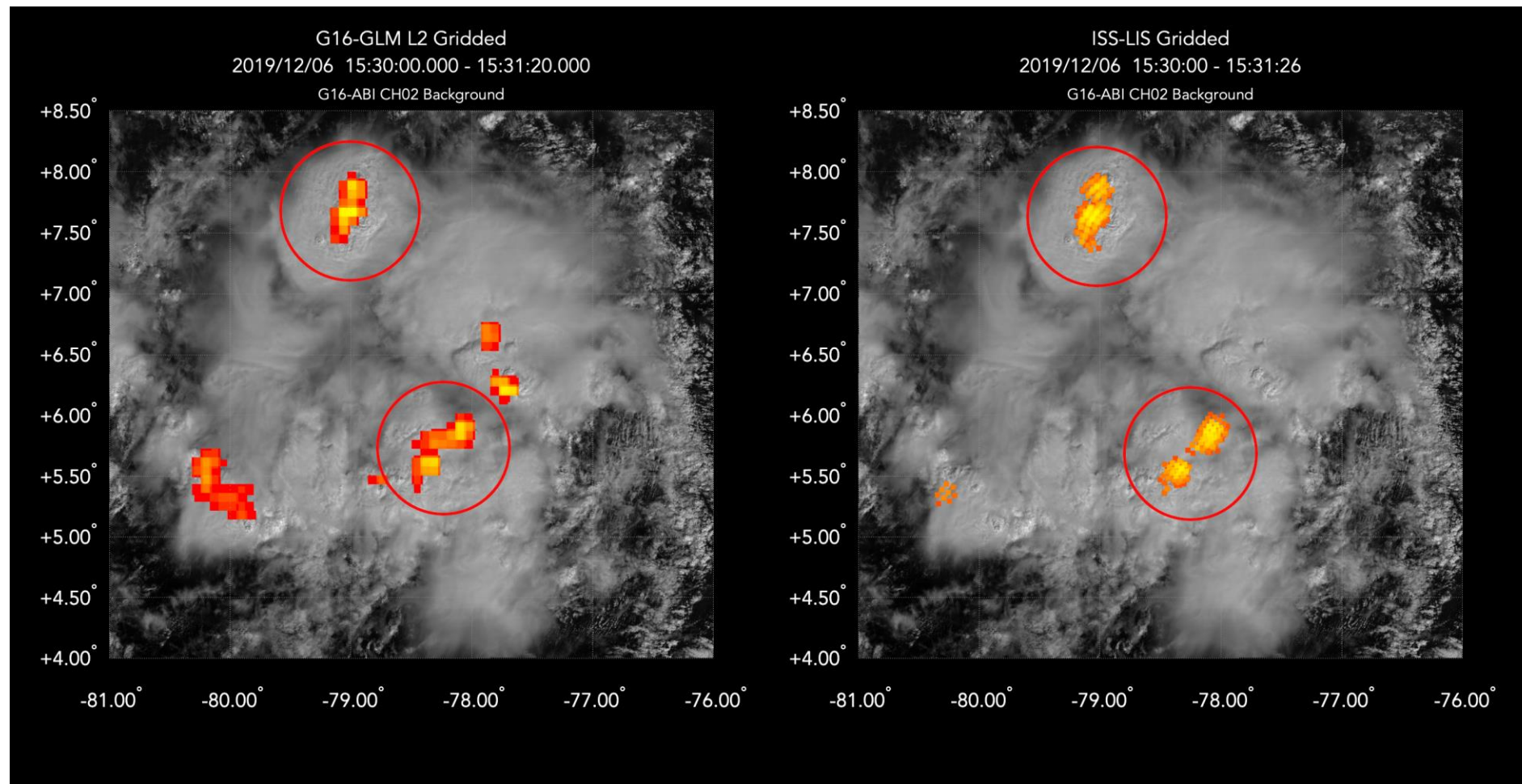
Background

- GLM coarser resolution (8×8 km² at nadir and 14×14 km² at edges) and LIS finer resolution ($\sim 4.5\times 4.5$ km²)
- Lower GLM detection efficiency for short and/or small flashes

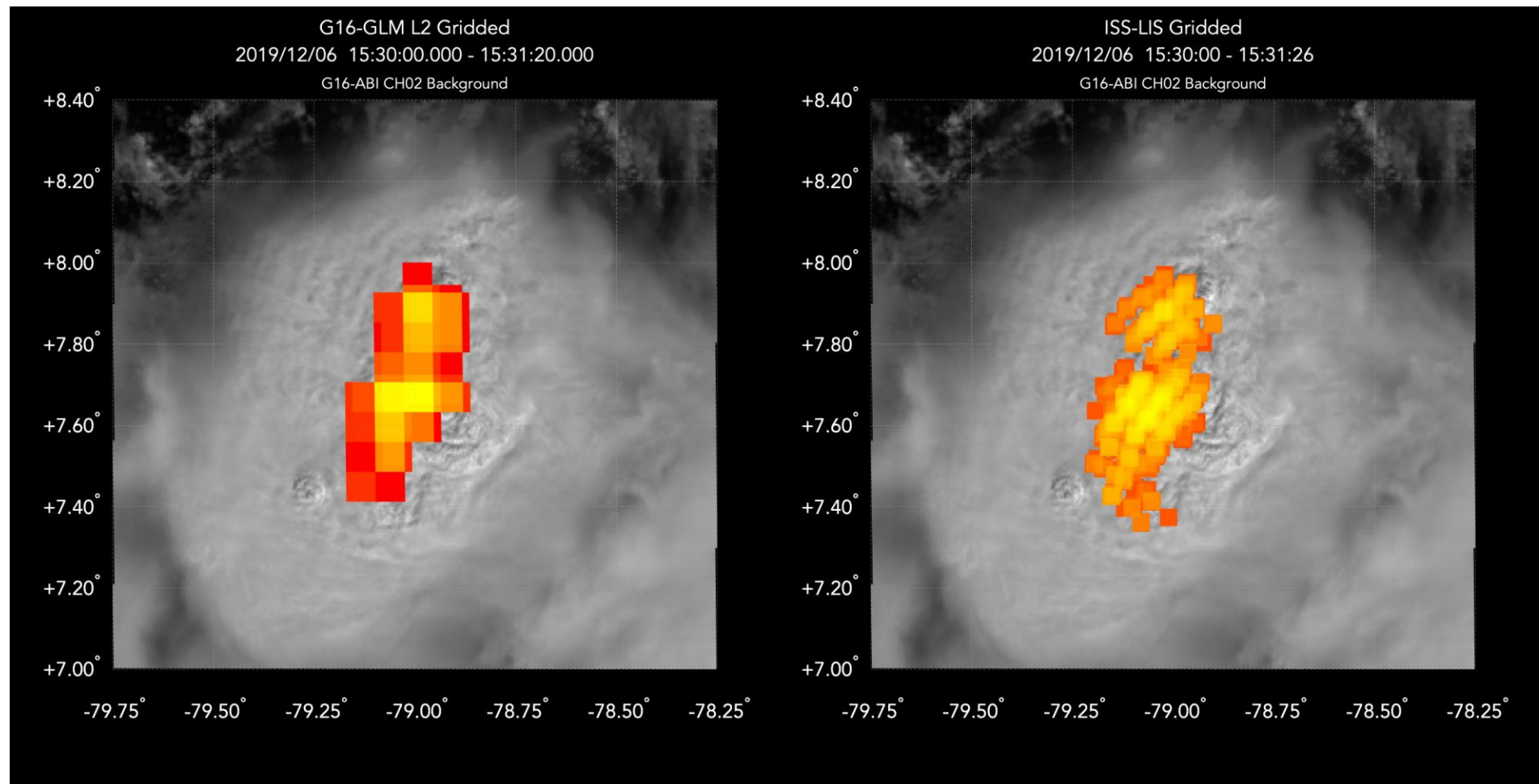
Primary Goals

- Merge ISS-LIS and GLM datasets by developing a statistical model to downscale GLM resolution
- Increase space-based total lightning detection efficiency by combining the two observations
- Improve GLM optical areas and energy estimation

GLM vs. ISS-LIS Ex 1: Tropical (no parallax)

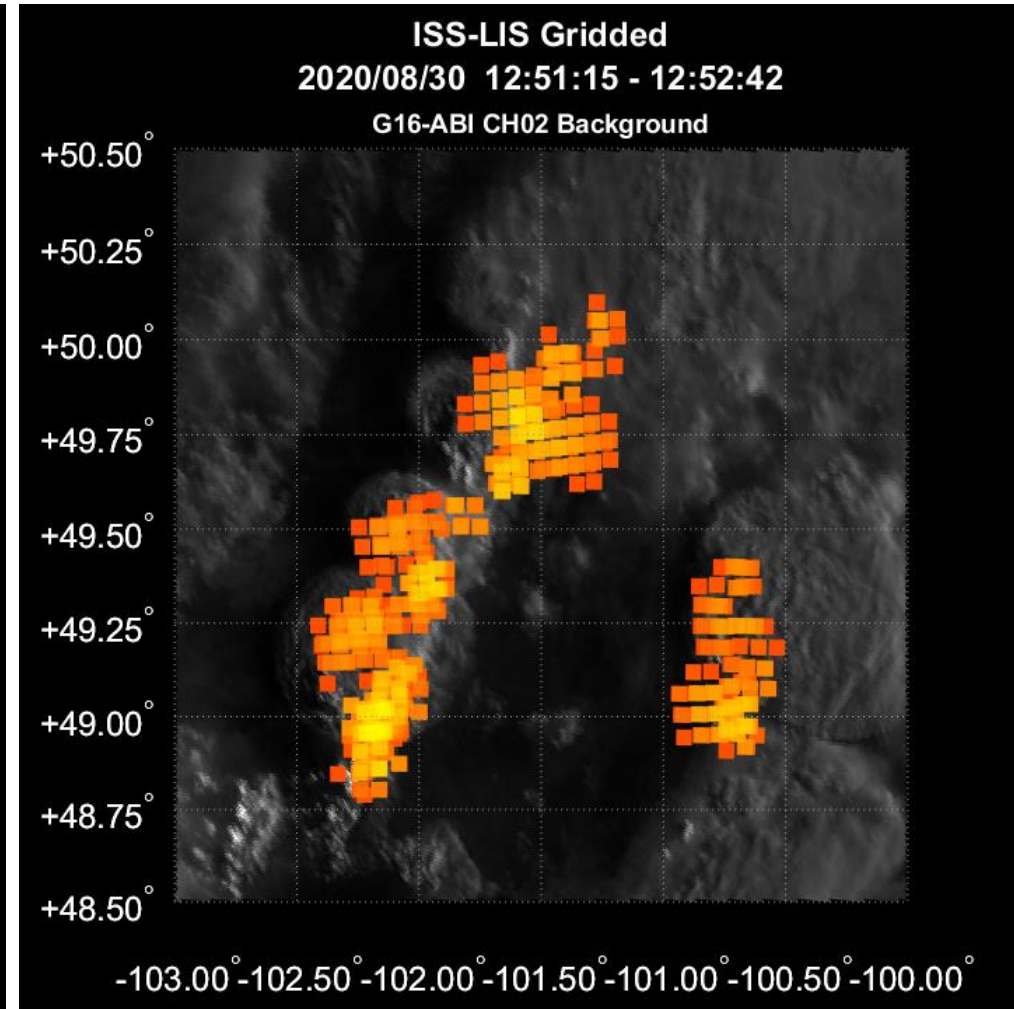
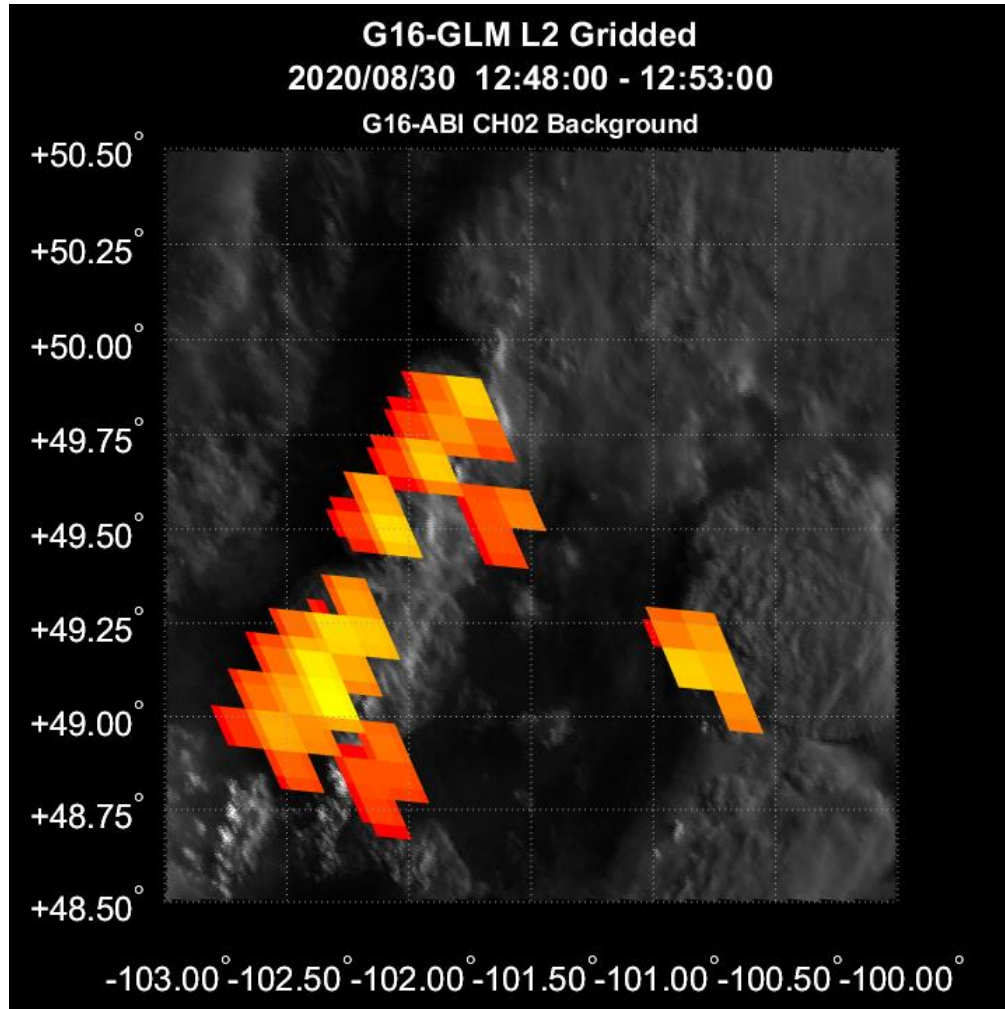


GLM vs. ISS-LIS Ex 1 (zoom-in view)



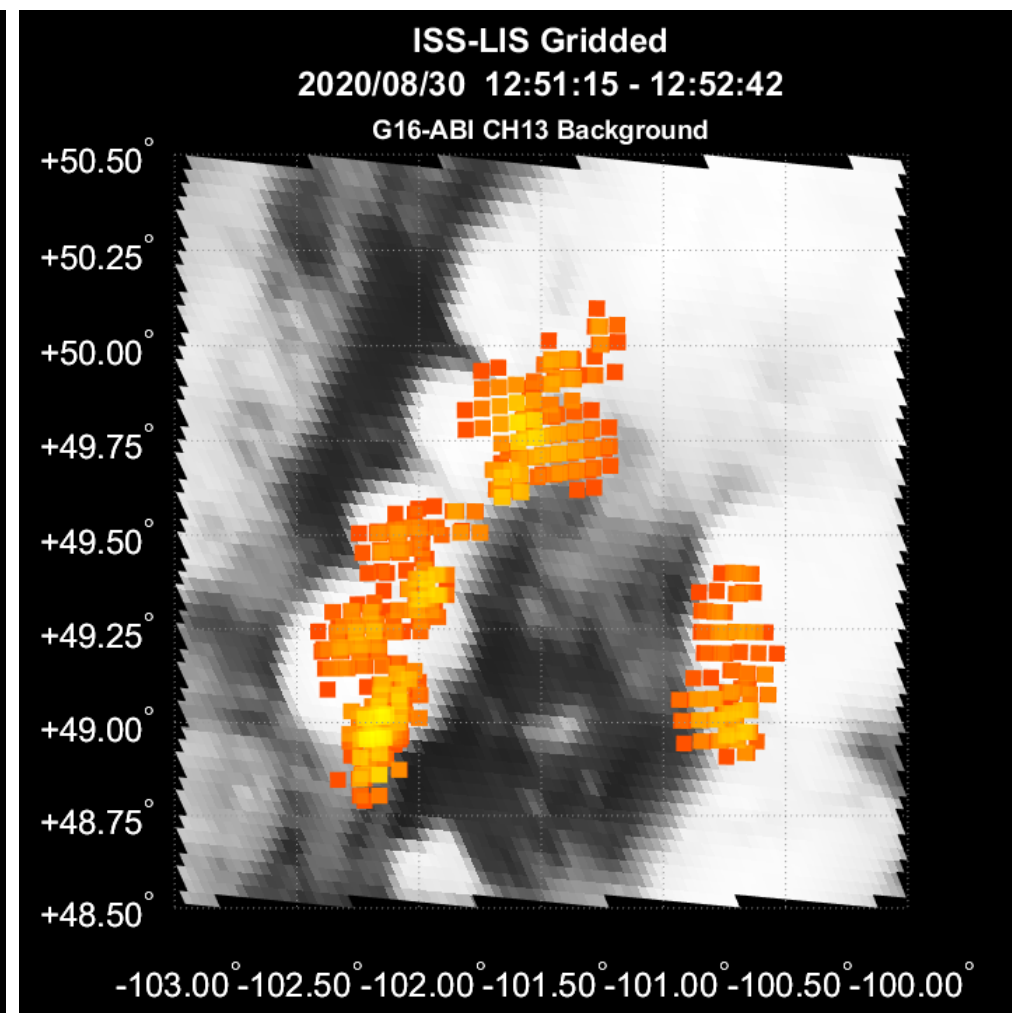
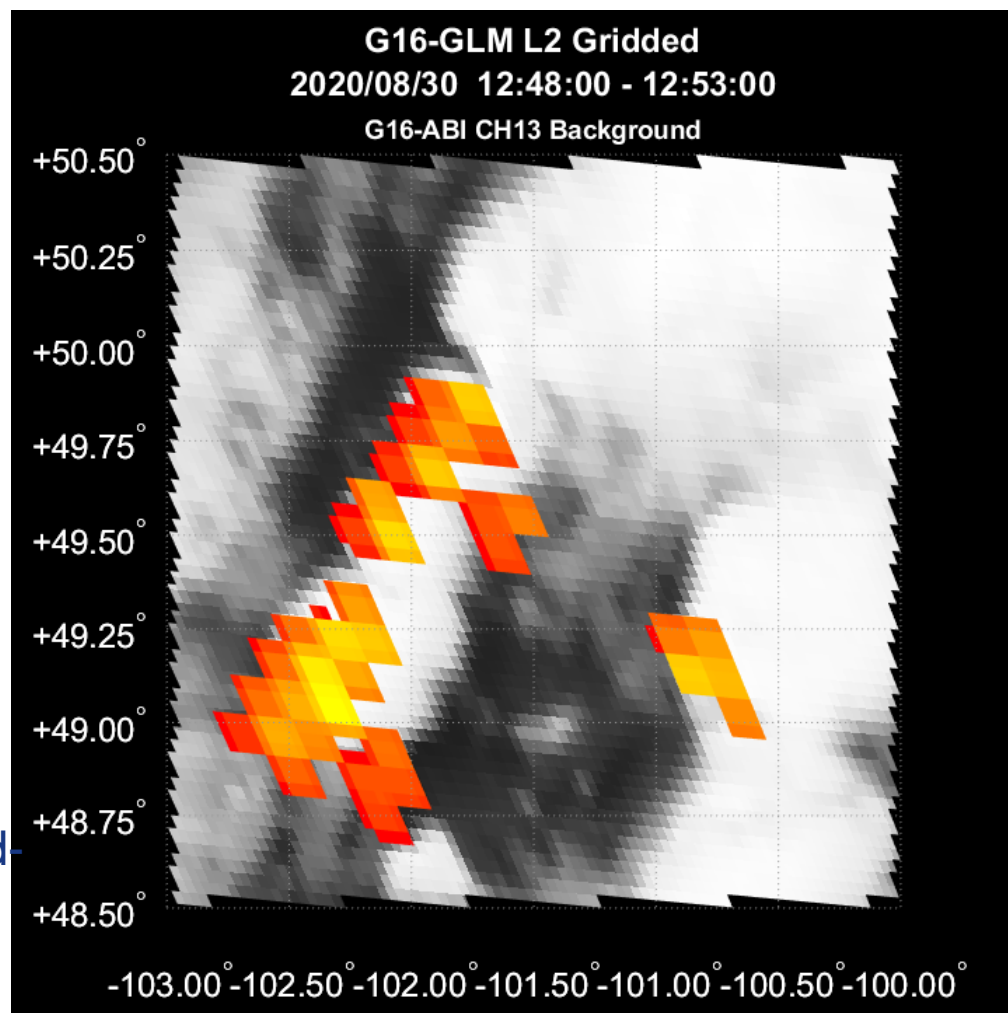
- GLM and LIS are similar
- LIS shows more information

GLM vs. ISS-LIS Ex 2 (CH2): High Lat (high parallax)



- GLM has offset in the higher latitudes
- Boresight-dependent parallax correction

GLM vs. ISS-LIS Ex 2 (CH13)



- IR image provides additional information of cloud body scattering

Plan

- Conduct the ISS-LIS full **evaluation**
 - Build an ISS-LIS and GLM coincidence **collection**
 - Analyze the GLM-LIS cloud-top optical products **empirical relationships**
 - Construct the GLM **downscaled dataset**
 - Establish a machine learning model for cloud-top optical products pattern recognition and predicting LIS radiance pattern given GLM
- We hope that the study will provide benefit for severe storm nowcasting, lightning-caused fire monitoring, and public safety and decision making.



Thank you!