

File: b02b14\_stereo.tar

Product: GOES-16/GOES-18 FD stereo winds

Date and times: 16:00 – 21:50 UTC 15 October 2024, every 10 minutes

ABI bands: Band 2 (0.64um) and Band 14 (11.2um)

Coverage: Full Disk, overlap region between GOES-16 and GOES-18

Target Scene Size: Band 2: 15x15 pixels Band 14: 19x19 pixels

Image Triplet Time Interval: 10 minutes

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### Description of data

Example file: tdw\_qc\_GOES-16\_2024289.160020.ch\_02.nc

Variables in the final netCDF output file generated by the GEO-GEO stereo retrieval algorithm include:

**Lat** – Latitude of target scene center

**Lon** - Longitude of target scene center

**V\_3D** – U and V wind components of stereo wind (n X 2 array)

**H\_3D** – Height (m) of stereo wind

**PARA\_3D** – Parallax at each site (m)

**STDERR\_3D** - Standard errors at each site (m)

**wgth\_h\_err\_gnd** - Weighted error for height for clear sky ground sites (m)

**wgth\_v1\_err\_gnd** - Weighted error for V1 for clear sky ground sites (m)

**wgth\_v2\_err\_gnd** - Weighted error for V2 for clear sky ground sites (m)

**x\_nwp** – x-index of nearest forecast grid point

**y\_nwp** – y-index of nearest forecast grid point

**Element** – ABI fixed grid element of target scene center

**Line** – ABI fixed grid line of target scene center

**Altitude** – GOES-R cloud height estimate (m)

**OD\_Min** – minimum optical depth of target scene (from GOES-R cloud height algorithm)

**OD\_Max** – maximum optical depth of target scene (from GOES-R cloud height algorithm)

**OD\_Med** – median optical depth of target scene (from GOES-R cloud height algorithm)

**Wind\_Speed** – wind speed generated from reference image triplet (different from V\_3D value)

**Wind\_Dir** – wind direction generated from reference image triplet (different from V\_3D value)

**InversionFlag** – low level inversion flag (from GFS forecast, 1 = inversion, 0 = no inversion)

**LandFlag** – (1 = land, 0 = water)

**CloudPhase** – dominant cloud phase of target scene (from GOES-R cloud height algorithm)

**CloudType** – dominant cloud type of target scene (from GOES-R cloud height algorithm)

**CloudyPixels** - Number of cloudy pixels in target scene

**qualityFlag** – internal quality flag (0=good stereo wind)

**MadFilterNumSigmas** - Number of sigmas used in Median Absolute Deviation (MAD) filter

**Residuals** - residual disparities after Stereo 3D-Winds Retrieval (pixels)

**zsfc** – surface elevation (m) of target scene center pixel

Fcst\_Spd – speed of GFS forecast wind (nearest grid point, interpolated to AMV pressure and time from 2 short-range (e.g., 3 and 6-hr) forecasts)

Fcst\_Dir – direction of GFS forecast wind (nearest grid point, interpolated to AMV pressure and time from 2 short-range (e.g., 3 and 6-hr) forecasts)

pres – Pressure at stereo height

SatZen - satellite zenith angle of reference satellite (degrees)

QI - Quality Indicator (QI) of derived wind (0-100, with 100 being the best)

**product\_times** – nominal times (seconds since noon 1 January 4713 BC) of 5 images used in tracking (user can divide values by 86400 to convert to Julian Date)

**Wind\_Speed\_Stereo** - Speed of stereo wind vector (m/s, computed from V\_3D values)

**Wind\_Dir\_Stereo** - Direction of stereo wind vector (degrees, computed from V\_3D values)

**Note:**

The stereo output datasets include both good (qualityFlag=0) and bad (qualityFlag >0) stereo winds as well as ground points. **Lower quality winds should be filtered out by the user.**

Variables in **bold** are the primary output variables