

IOP-14 Summary of Operations
23 January 2010, 1800 UTC – 24 January 2010 1800 UTC

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1. Summary of storm evolution

The IOP-14 storm was an example of secondary low development (Fig. 1). The first low emerged from the Northern Rockies and propagated northeast over Montana, the wrap-around from the storm completely in Canada. The leading line, associated with an upper level front, moved eastward into western Wisconsin around 0000 UTC, 24 Jan 10. At that time, a second low developed over western Oklahoma under the left exit region of a strong jetstreak at the base of a deep trough over the southern half of the U.S. As the jetstreak propagated eastward, the new low became the dominant circulation and propagated eastward into Illinois by 0600 UTC, 24 Jan 10. The precipitation region along the leading line of the first storm morphed into wrap-around of the second storm, as precipitation echoes spread north and west and the deformation developed aloft north of the low. This precipitation region propagated northeastward over the MIPS site in Whitewater, WI and the MISS site in Fort Atkinson, WI (Fig. 2). The low propagated rapidly northward over Wisconsin, with the precipitation shield moving north of the observation sites by 1700 UTC. Rain fell throughout the event. The C-130 was not available for the event. The MAX radar experienced a failure of the azimuth drive motor early in the event prior to the arrival of the precipitation and was not used. The MKX radar ran VCP-11 for the event.

2. Locations of instrumentation platforms

MIPS Location:	42° 49' 57.52" N 88° 45' 33.34" W
Profiler Time of Operation MIPS:	01/23/10 2340 UTC to 01/24/10 1640 UTC
MAX Location:	Not used. Drive motor malfunction
MISS Location:	42°56'39.5"N, 88°51'47.75"W
Profiler Time of Operation	01/23/10 1700 UTC to 01/24/10 1830 UTC
MO Location:	42° 50' 03.67" N 88° 45' 35.17" W
Flight operations:	Not used. Aircraft undergoing repairs

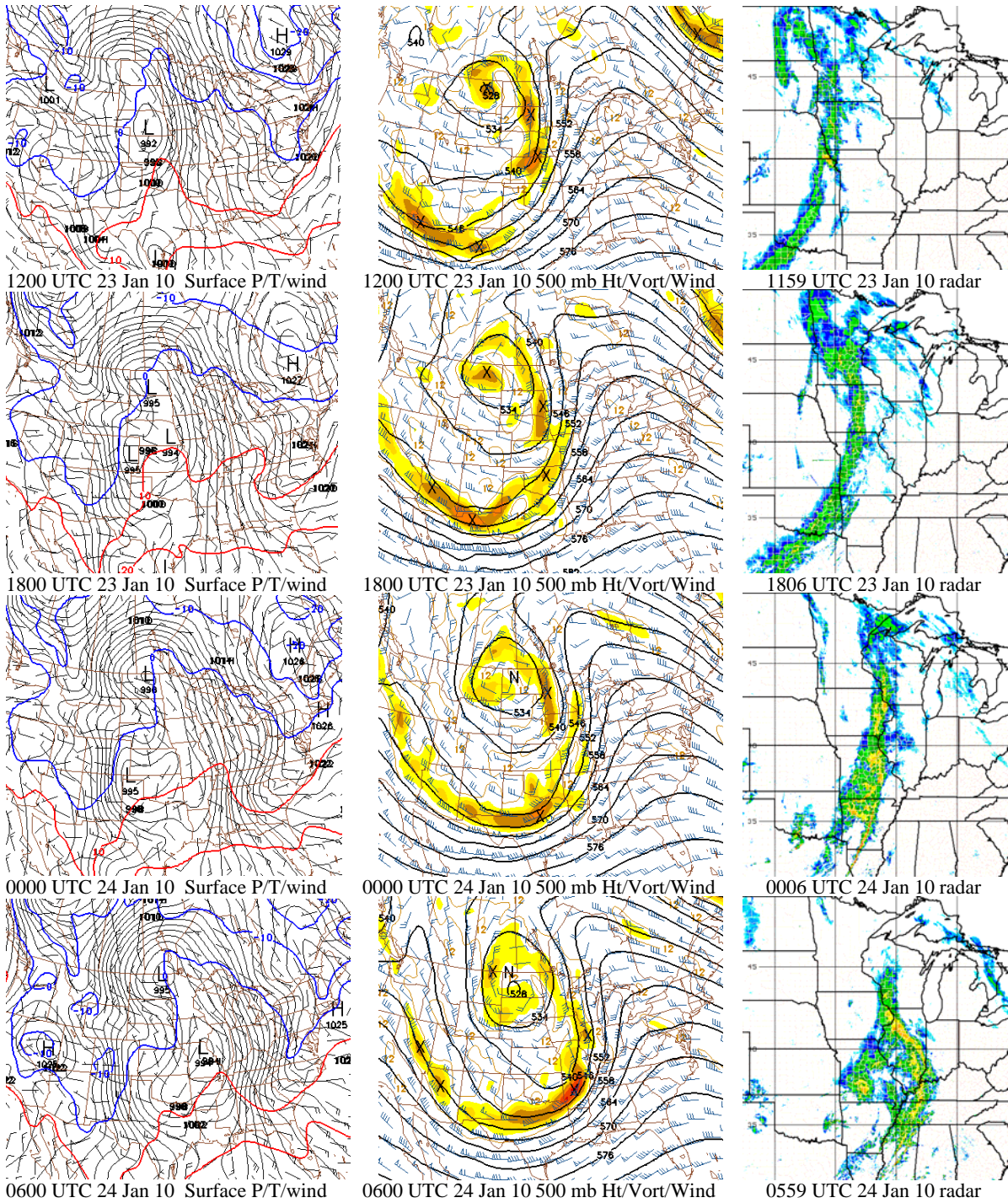


Figure 1: Evolution of the IOP-14 storm at the surface, 500 mb, and radar echoes from 1200 UTC 23 Jan 10 through 0600 UTC 24 Jan 10.

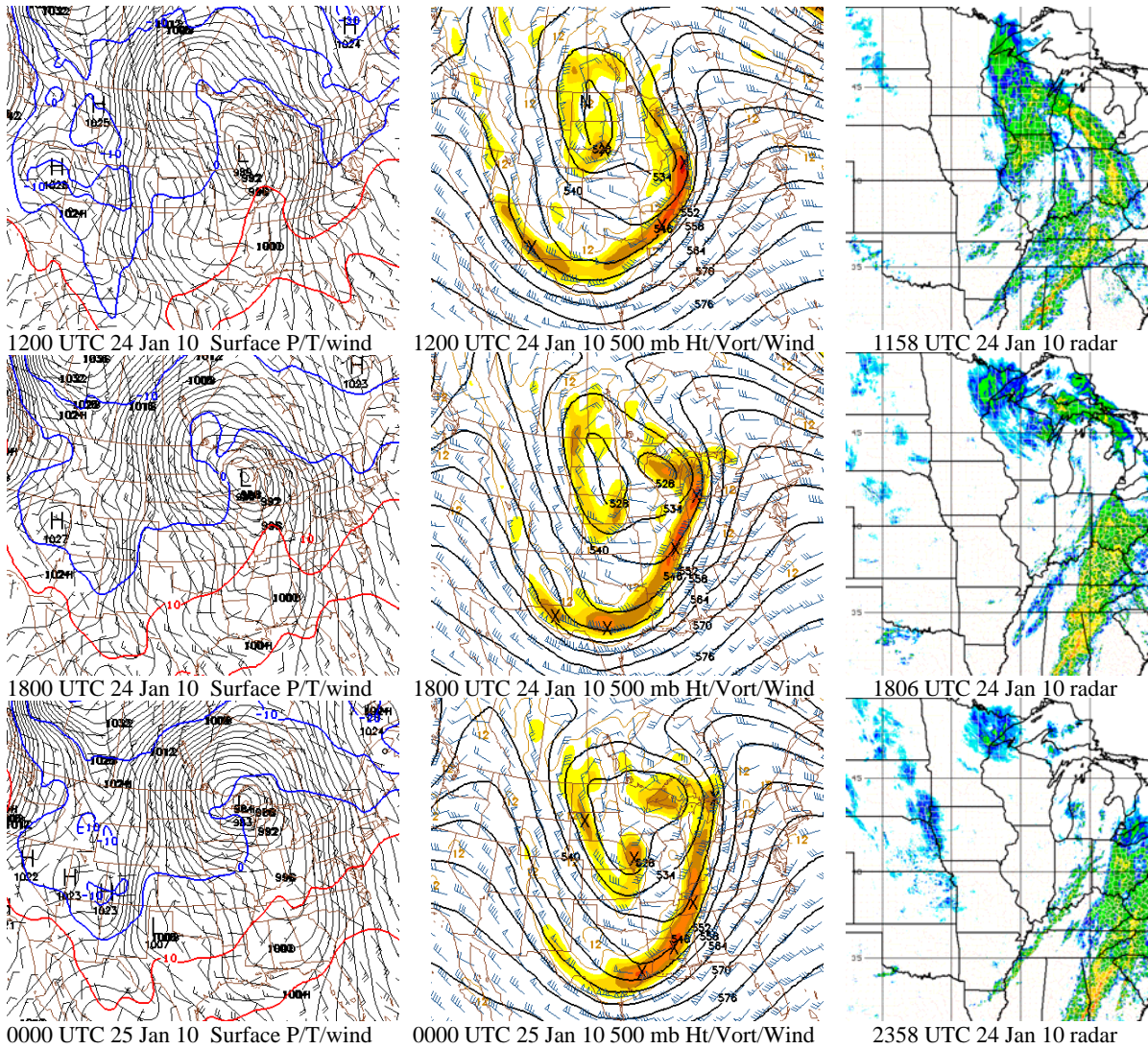
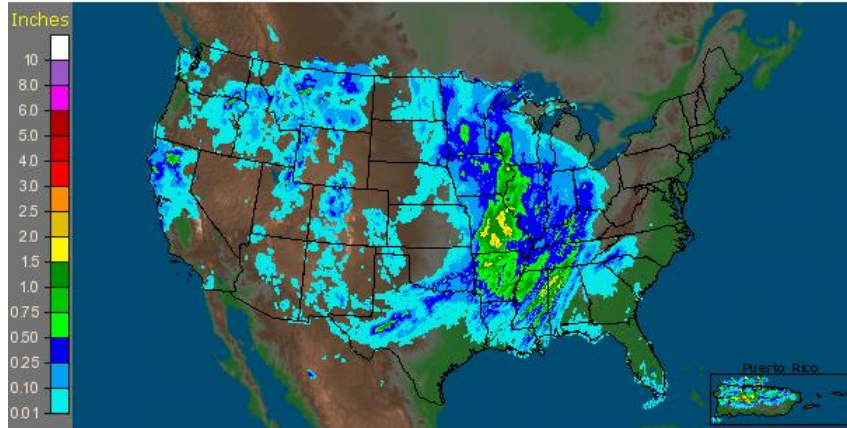


Figure 2: Evolution of the IOP-14 storm at the surface, 500 mb, and radar echoes from 1200 UTC 24 Jan 10 through 0000 UTC 25 Jan 10.

3. Precipitation over research area

CONUS + Puerto Rico: 1/24/2010 1-Day Observed Precipitation
Valid at 1/24/2010 1200 UTC- Created 1/26/10 11:31 UTC



CONUS + Puerto Rico: 1/25/2010 1-Day Observed Precipitation
Valid at 1/25/2010 1200 UTC- Created 1/26/10 11:31 UTC

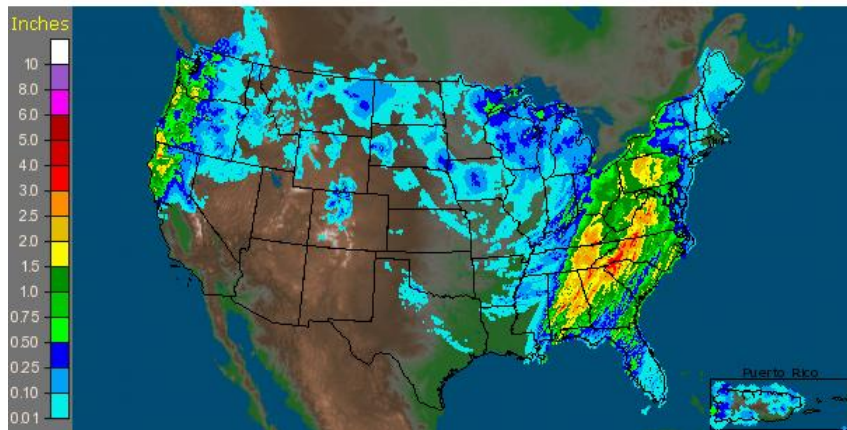
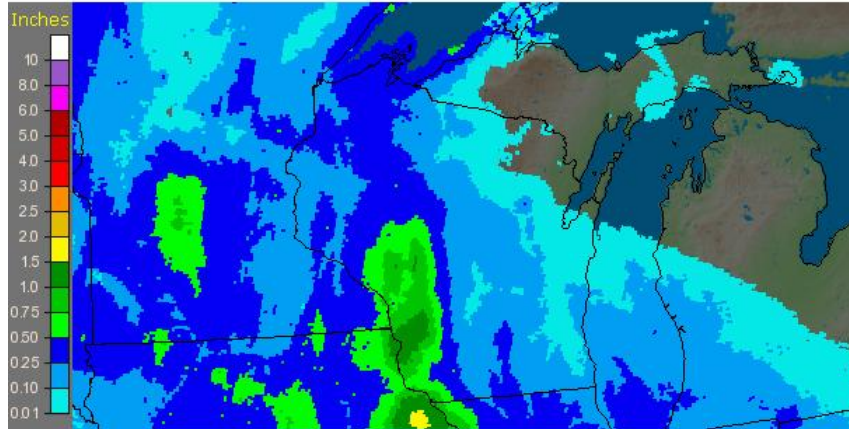


Fig. 3: 24 Hour precipitation ending at 1200 UTC 01/24/10, and 1200 UTC 01/25/10 over the United States

Wisconsin: 1/24/2010 1-Day Observed Precipitation
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Wisconsin: 1/25/2010 1-Day Observed Precipitation
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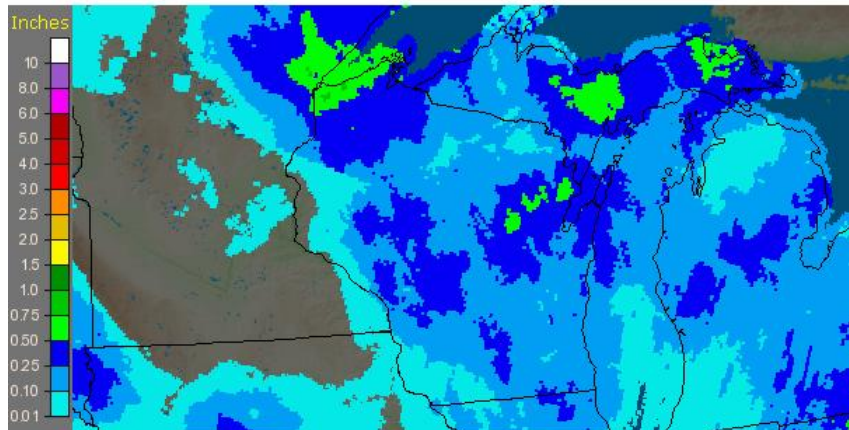


Fig. 4: 24 Hour precipitation ending at 1200 UTC 01/24/10, and 1200 UTC 01/25/10 over Wisconsin

4. Flight Summary

No flight: Aircraft undergoing maintenance in Boulder.

5. MIPS operations

The MIPS was located in a cul-de-sac behind the Baymont Inn and Suites in Whitewater, Wisconsin. Bands of light to moderate rainfall passed over the MIPS site for about 10 hours during the event as the wrap-around precipitation developed and moved over the site. A summary of the data is shown in Fig. 5.

6. MAX operations

None: Azimuth drive motor failed before precipitation arrived.

7. MISS 915 MHz Profiler

MISS was at the Holiday Inn Express in Fort Atkinson, WI. The MISS experienced rainfall over the same approximate time as the MIPS.

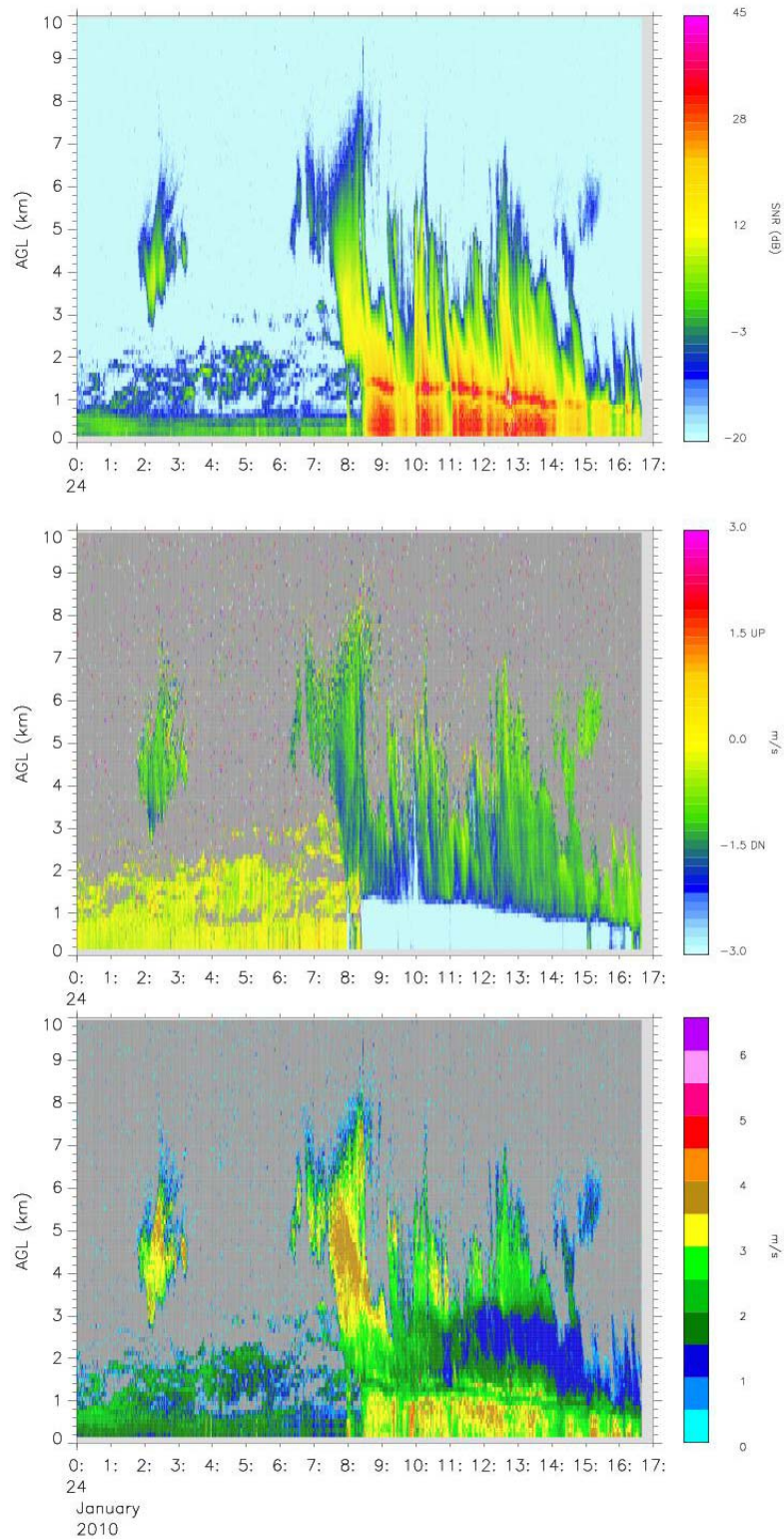


Figure 5: MIPS 915 MHz Profiler SNR (top), Radial Velocity (center) and Spectral Width (bottom) for the period 0000 UTC 24 Jan 10-1640 UTC 24 Jan 10.

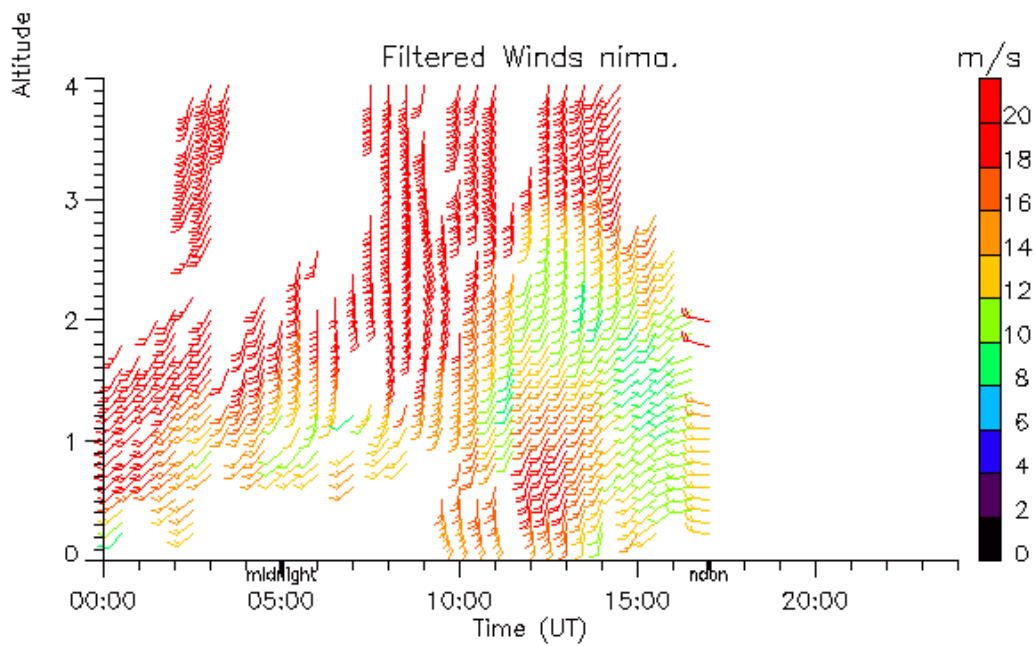
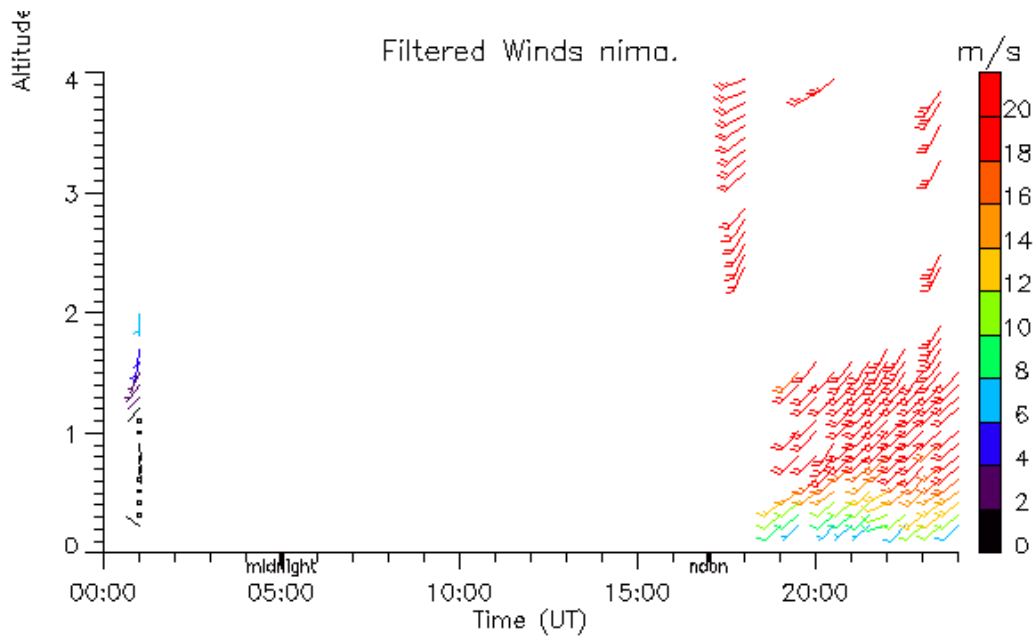


Figure 6: MISS 915 MHz Profiler Winds
for the period of operation 1800 UTC 23 Jan 10 through 1700 UTC 24 Jan 10

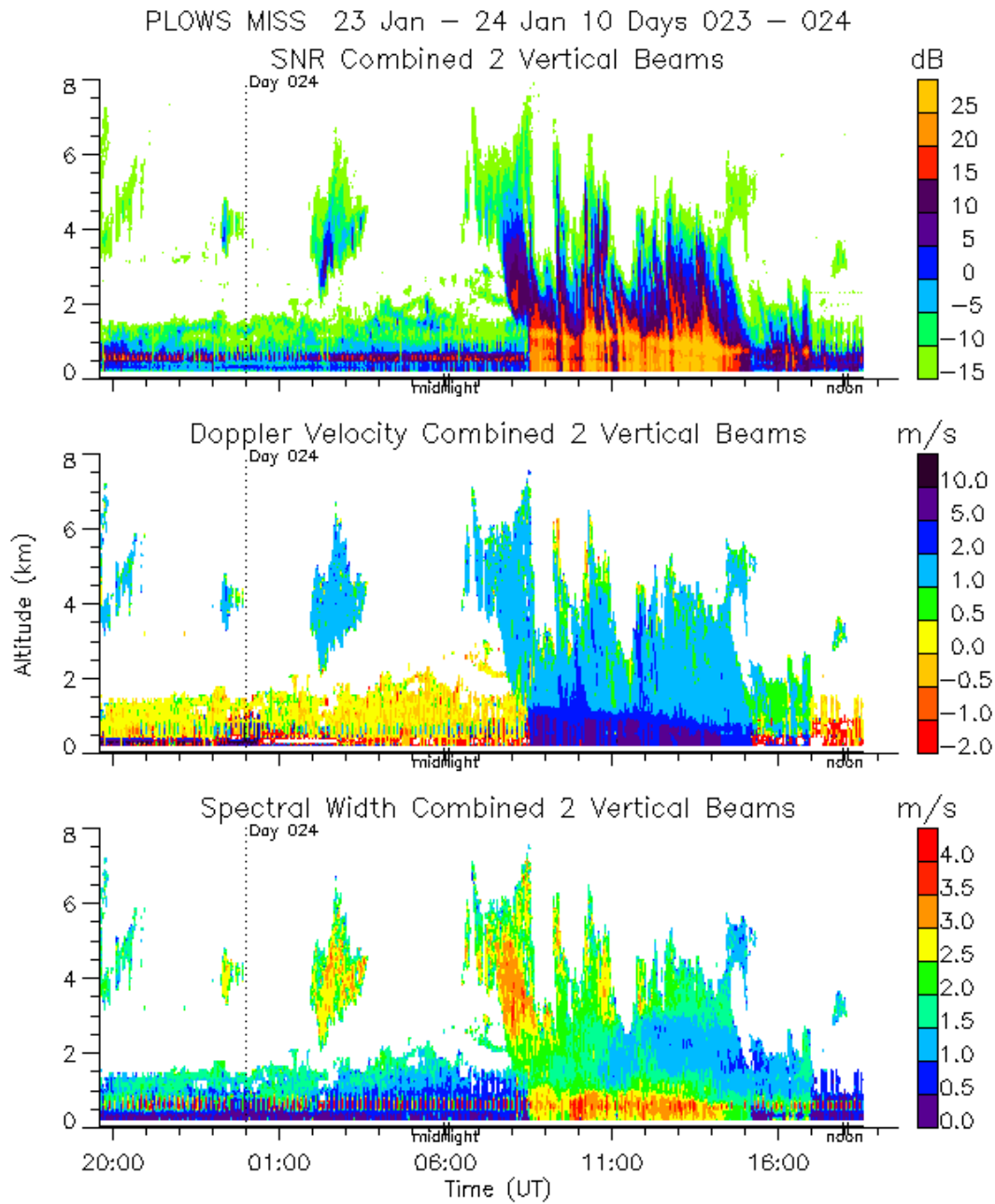


Figure 7: MISS 915 MHz Profiler SNR (top), Radial Velocity (center) and Spectral Width (bottom) for period from 2000 23 Jan 10 to 1820 UTC 24 Jan 10

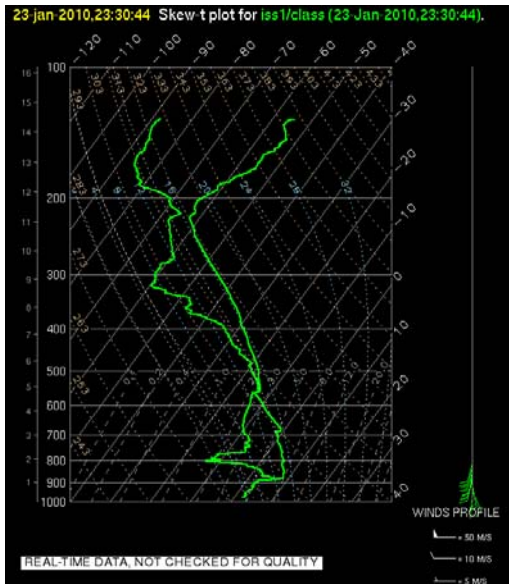
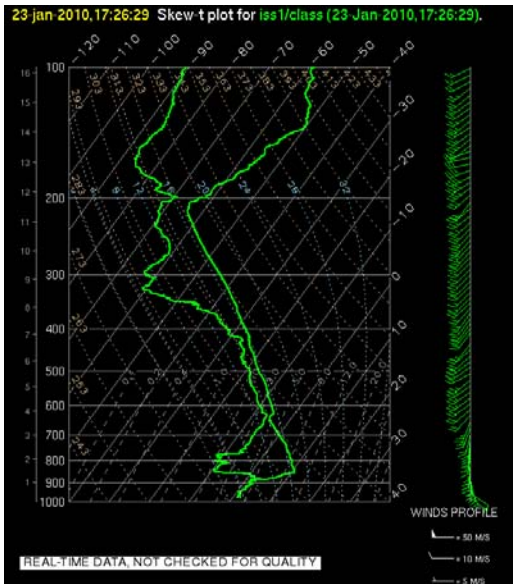
8. Rawinsondes

Rawinsondes were launched at the MISS site in Ft. Atkinson, WI on a 3 hourly schedule. The following soundings were launched

DATE	Launch	Nominal Date and time		Status
2010 01 23	1726 UTC	2010 01 23	1800 UTC	Good
2010 01 23	2330 UTC	2010 01 24	0000 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	0228 UTC	2010 01 24	0300 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	0538 UTC	2010 01 24	0600 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	1126 UTC	2010 01 24	1200 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	1429 UTC	2010 01 24	1500 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	1726 UTC	2010 01 24	1800 UTC	Good

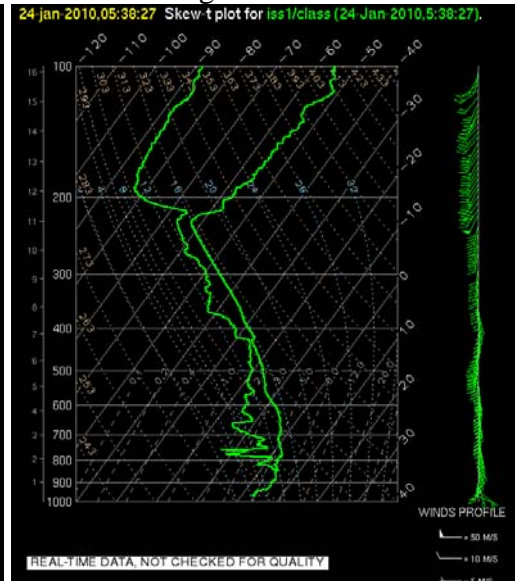
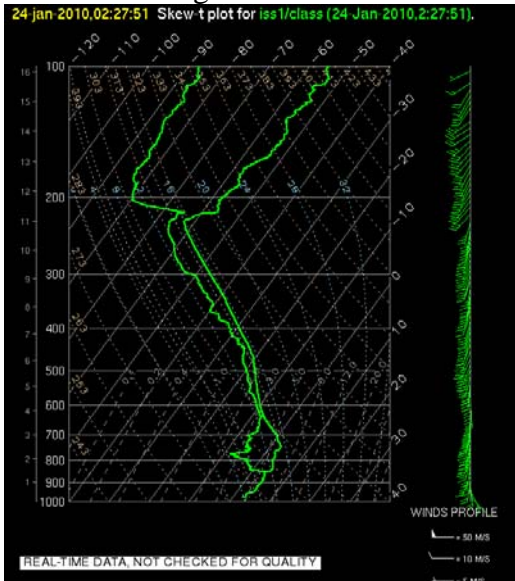
Rawinsondes were launched at the MIPS site at Whitewater, WI, by the University of Missouri on a 3-hourly schedule, staggered and offset from the MISS schedule by 1.5 hours. The following soundings were obtained

DATE	Launch	Nominal Date and time		Status
2010 01 24	0110 UTC	2010 01 24	0130 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	0415 UTC	2010 01 24	0430 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	0707 UTC	2010 01 24	0730 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	1010 UTC	2010 01 24	1030 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	1308 UTC	2010 01 24	1330 UTC	Good
2010 01 24	1609 UTC	2010 01 24	1630 UTC	Good



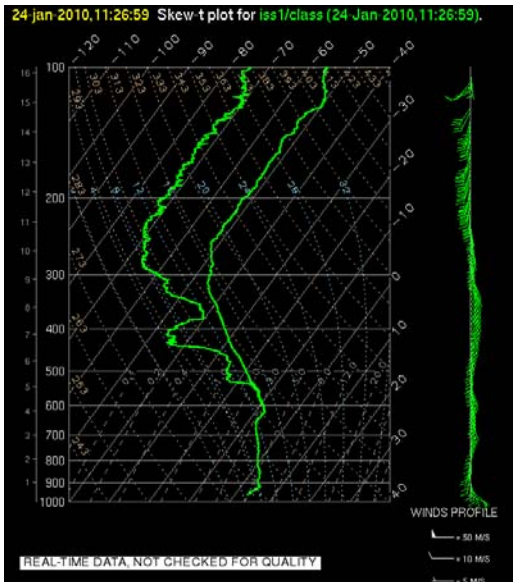
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MISS Sounding 0000 UTC 24 Jan 10

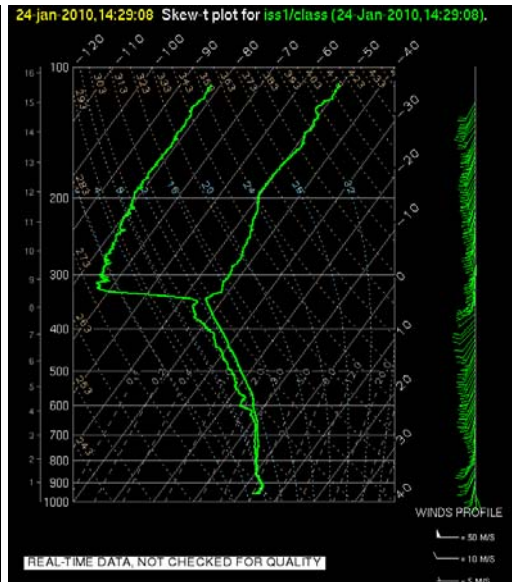


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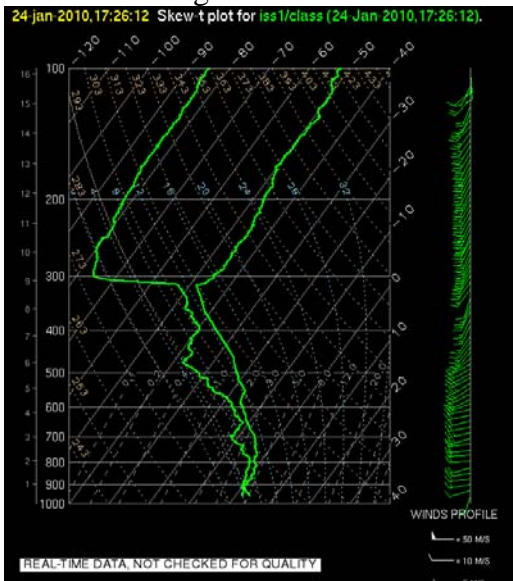
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