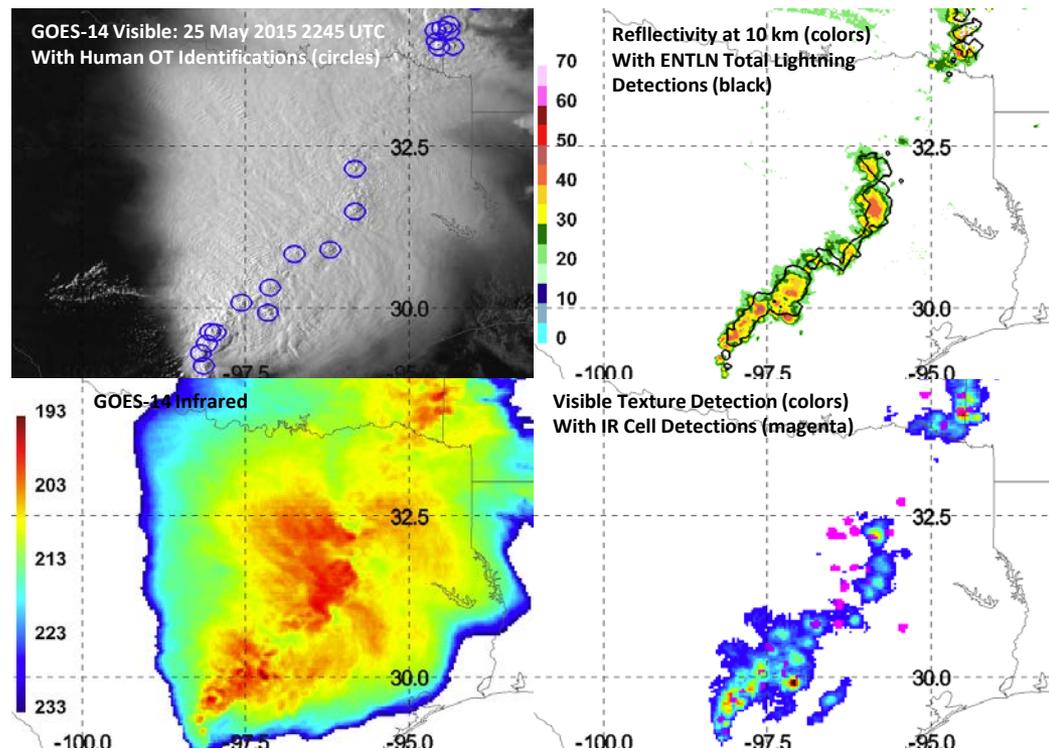


Advancement of Satellite-Detected Overshooting Top (OT) Decision Support Products

Probabilistic Multispectral OT Detection Algorithm Development

- A variety of hazardous weather conditions are concentrated near overshooting cloud tops (OTs)
- A “Version 1” satellite-based OT detection method has been evaluated by the GOES-R Proving Ground and NOAA SPC with positive outcomes, but some areas for improvement have been identified
- This GOES-R3 project supported development of a “Version 2” probabilistic multispectral pattern recognition-based OT detection algorithm to improve the product and address user feedback
- Texture in the visible channel and prominent cold regions in the IR are accurately identified within 1 minute over a CONUS domain, representing significant advancements over Version 1
- The product identified up to 57% of hail and wind events and 67% of tornadic storms in April and July 2011. Strong correlations between OT detection and convectively-induced aircraft engine icing conditions have also been found
- The new Version 2 OT algorithm is being used to generate a 20-year OT climatology over much of the Western Hemisphere (supported by NASA) to enable a wide variety of weather, climate, and private industry applications

Imagery and OT Detection Product Example



View Animation Here: <https://youtu.be/IFLoRy55EwY>

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