# **Experimental Products Development Team (EPDT)**

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#### Origins of EPDT

- Originally SPoRT formed EPDT internally to focus on:
  - Creating advanced display capabilities for NASA research data in AWIPS II environment
  - Create training for AWIPS II development
- General need for AWIPS II development training within community
- Expanded EPDT out into the community
- Funded jointly by GOES-R Proving Ground, JPSS, and NASA SPORT
- Support from the National Weather Service





#### GOES-R/JPSS Proving Ground EPDT

#### **Objectives:**

- Create a community environment to share AWIPS II development knowledge
- Develop technical expertise of AWIPS II within NASA, NOAA's Cls, and NWS
- Create AWIPS II plug-ins for GOES-R proxy and JPSS data
  - Ingest
  - Analysis
  - Display
- Provide feedback to NWS on:
  - External development process
  - Governance of locally developed AWIPS II software





#### **Learning Structure**

Conference

Handsoning

Code Sprint

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#### **Time**

- Conference Calls
  - Prepare for initial hands-on learning
  - Supplemental topics
- Hands-on Learning
  - Classroom setting learning
  - Learn to develop a plug-in from ingest to display
- Code Sprint
  - Participants pick project and "learn by doing"
  - Work on projects in small groups
  - Groups help each other





### Hands-on Learning Training

- Topics covering:
  - Ingest Plug-in EDEX (Day 1)
  - Data Model Plug-in (Day 1)
  - Visualization Plug-in CAVE (Days 2-3)
- Hands-on exercises
- Training was recorded and provided back to NWS











#### **Code Sprint Training**

- Team broken into small groups
- Groups actively develop project during sprint
- "Learn by doing" something meaningful
- Produce working AWIPS II feature by end of code sprint
- Continue working on feature after code sprint ends





#### Group A, B, and C

- Group A (14 Participants)
  - Hands-on Learning March 2013
  - Code Sprint Fall 2013
  - Code Sprint Fall 2014
- Group B (14 Participants)
  - Hands-on Learning April 2014
  - Code Sprint Fall 2014
- Group C (14 Participants)
  - Hands-on Learning May 2015
  - Code Sprint Fall 2015





#### Participant Breakdown

- Limit size to facilitate group learning and development activities
- Participants are nominated by organizational leaders
- One representative from:
  - NWS Regions
  - Each NOAA Cooperative Institute (and SPoRT)
  - MDL and GSD
  - Raytheon
  - NWS SEC
  - GOES-R PG AWIPS II developer
- Team Lead/Instructor: Jason Burks (NASA SPORT)
- Instructor: Max Schenkelberg (Raytheon)
- Advisor: Ed Mandel (NWS/OST SEC Development Branch Chief)





## Code Sprint Development

- EPDT subgroups worked on projects
  - Tracking Meteogram
  - RGB Recipe
  - mPing ingest and display
  - GOES-R product ingest









#### RGB Recipe Project

- Identified current deficiency in AWIPS II true color imagery display
- All EUMETSAT Recipes implemented
  - Air mass (VIIRS/CrIS)
  - Dust
  - Nighttime Microphysics
- RGB Composites
  - Natural Color composite
  - Snow Cloud composite
  - VIS/VIS/IR composite
- Can be used in 14.3.1, only localization needed
- Currently tested in WFO HUN
- Working to baseline the python code used to provide ability to wider community
- Testing RGBs in OPG in early Fall 2015









#### Benefits of EPDT

- Expanded AWIPS II development knowledge in community
- Helps NWS to assist in integration tasks from product developers
- Direct Plugin development
- Continued development keeps community up on technology within AWIPS II





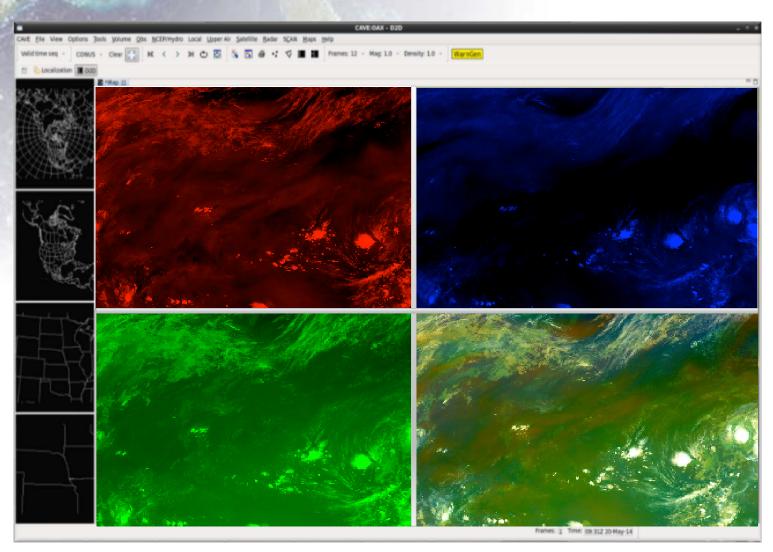
## Proposed EPDT Code Sprint development

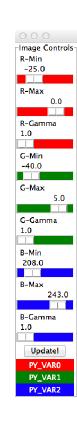
- RGB Localization Editor
  - Visual manipulation of RGB components
  - Drag and Drop interface
- Just in Time Training plugin for AWIPS 2
- Meet with product developers to address specialized needs





#### **RGB** Localization Editor



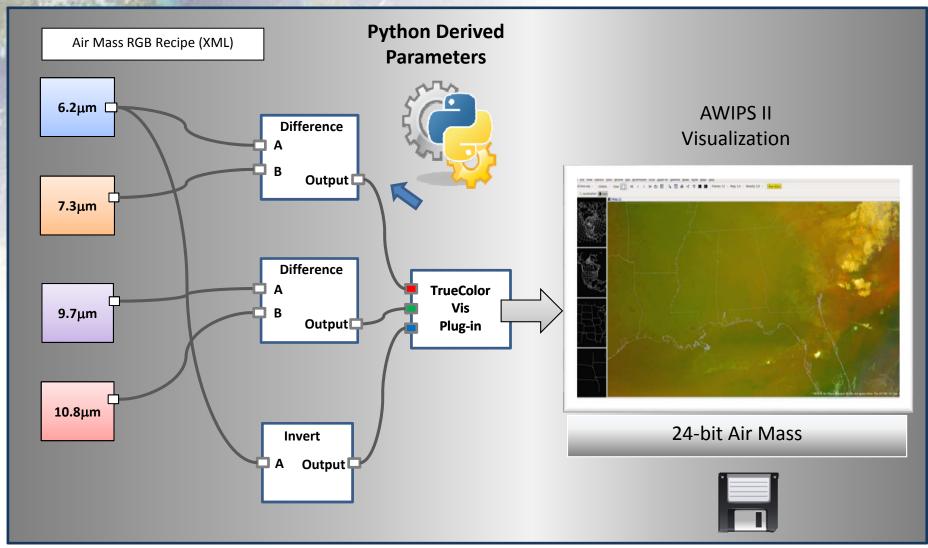




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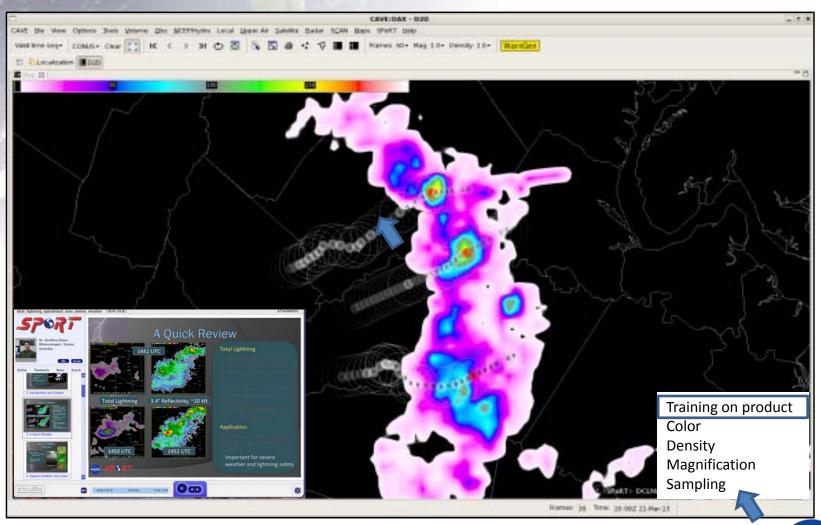
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## Just in Time Training Concept







#### **Future EPDT**

- Group C Code Sprint Fall 2015
- Previous EPDT Members continue to work on AWIPS II
  - Code Sprints to address GOES-R display and ingest needs
  - JPSS funding to host code sprints to address JPSS needs
- Previous EPDT members have real world experience troubleshooting problems in AWIPS II





# Questions



