

# **RESULTS OF THE LST\_CCI VALIDATION ANALYSIS**

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- Information on quality of data products developed in LST\_cci is gained through validation
- Validation team at KIT works independent of data producers
- Validation work is split in two parts:
  - In situ validation against point measurements at globally distributed, ground based stations
  - Satellite satellite intercomparisons over large areas (continents)



### FIRST PART: IN SITU VALIDATION

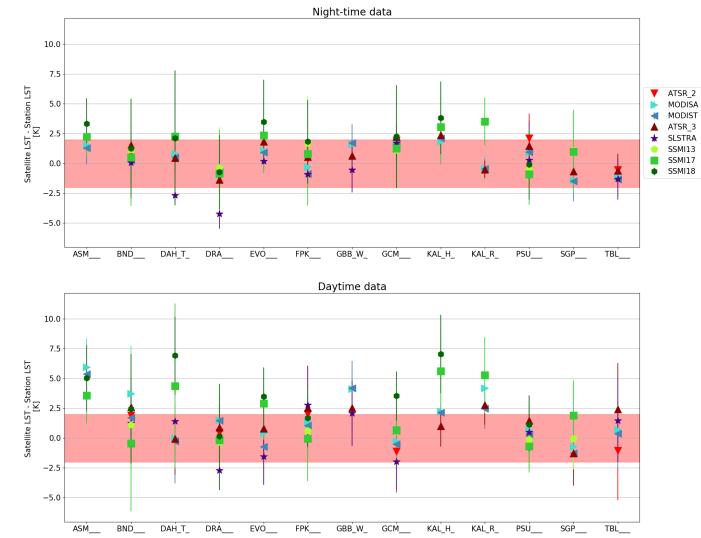
- 9 analysed LST\_cci data sets
  - Infrared data sets: Aqua-MODIS (MODISA), Terra-MODIS (MODIST), ATSR-2 (ATSR\_2), AATSR (ATSR\_3), and SLSTR-A (SLSTRA)
  - Microwave data sets: SSMI-13, SSMI-17, SSMI-18
- over 13 stations distributed worldwide from KIT, SURFRAD, ARM, OzFlux networks
- covering different land covers, regions, and elevation heights
- for time periods ranging from 1995 2018





**IN SITU VALIDATION - BIAS** 

- Bias: median(satellite LST – in situ LST)
- IR products are performing well for most stations
- Night-time bias smaller, large differences in daytime bias
- MW data sets: investigate larger area than IR data sets
- SLSTRA: poorer cloud clearing originating from an operational cloud mask
- ASM station: problematic during day

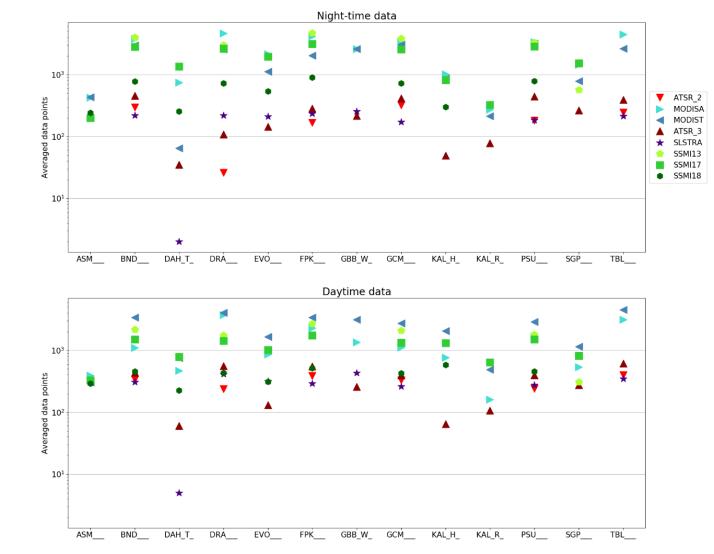


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# IN SITU VALIDATION - NUMBER OF DATA POINTS

- SSI sensors: deviate LST also during cloudy conditions
- MODISA and MODIST: largest investigated time period
- Low number of
  SLSTRA data
  points over
  DAH\_T\_: small
  temporal overlap



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## SECOND PART: INTERCOMPARISONS

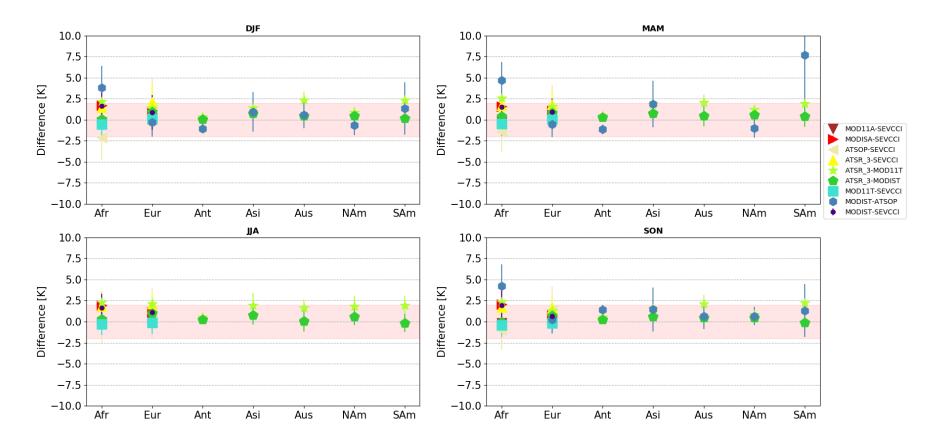
#### 9 satellite satellite pairs are intercompaired from 2008 – 2010

	Africa	Antarctica	Asia	Australia	Europe	North America	South America
MOD11A - SEVCCI							
MODISA – SEVCCI							
ATSOP – SEVCCI							
ATSR_3 – SEVCCI							
ATSR_3 – MOD11T							
ATSR_3 - MODIST							
MOD11T - SEVCCI							
MODIST - ATSOP							
MODIST - SEVCCI							

SEVCCI: LST\_cci SEVIRI product MOD11A: operational Aqua-MODIS product MOD11T: operational Terra-MODIS product ATSOP: operational AATSR LST product

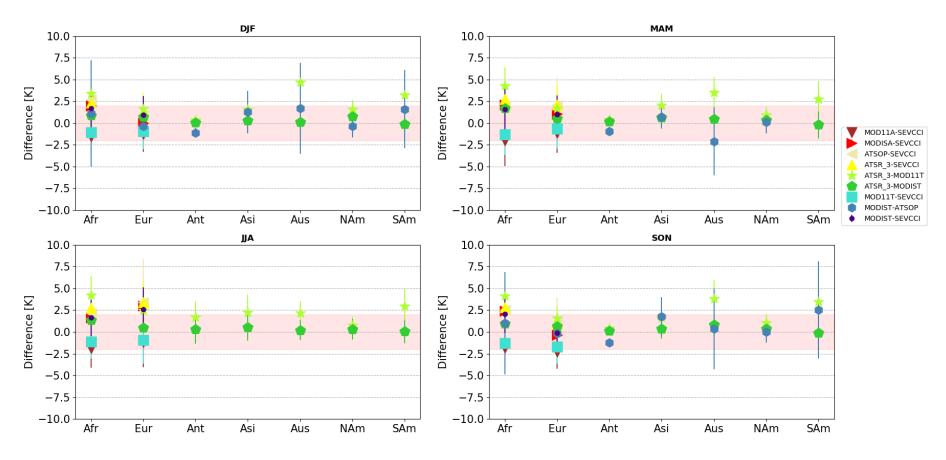


- In general good agreement
- MODIST ATSOP: only few matches leading to larger differences





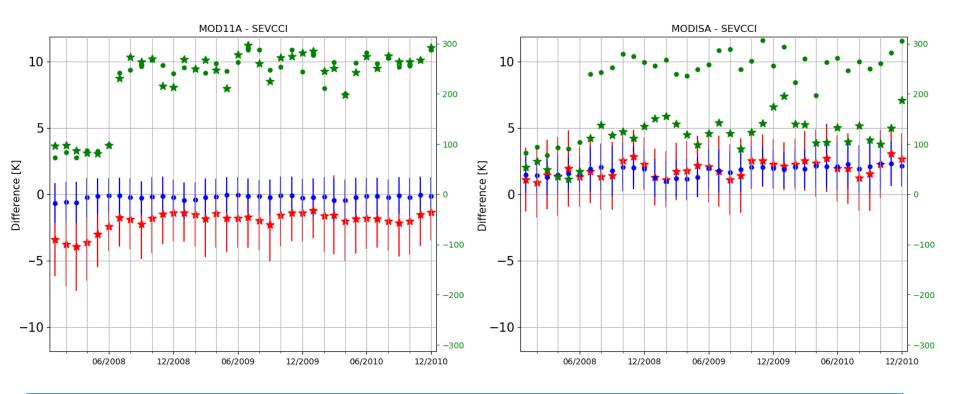
- Larger differences than during night
- ATSR\_3 MOD11T high differences, MOD11T SEVCCI low differences: low MOD11T LST values





- Monthly median(satellite1 LST satellite2 LST)
  - MOD11A SEVCCI: larger negative differences during day
  - MODISA SEVCCI: less data points during day

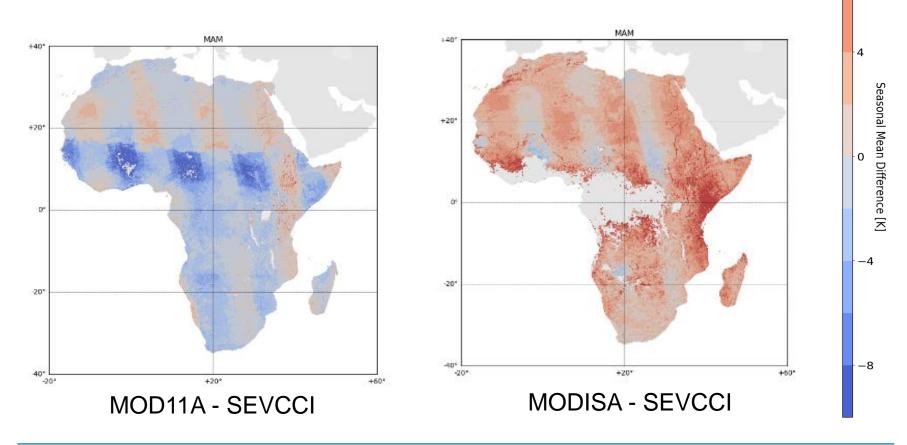




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- Seasonal daytime mean(satellite 1 LST satellite 2 LST) per pixel for MAM (March, April, May)
  - MOD11A SEVCCI: Largest negative differences around 10° N
  - MODISA SEVCCI: Largest positive differences around 0° N (due to small sampling size or cloud contamination)

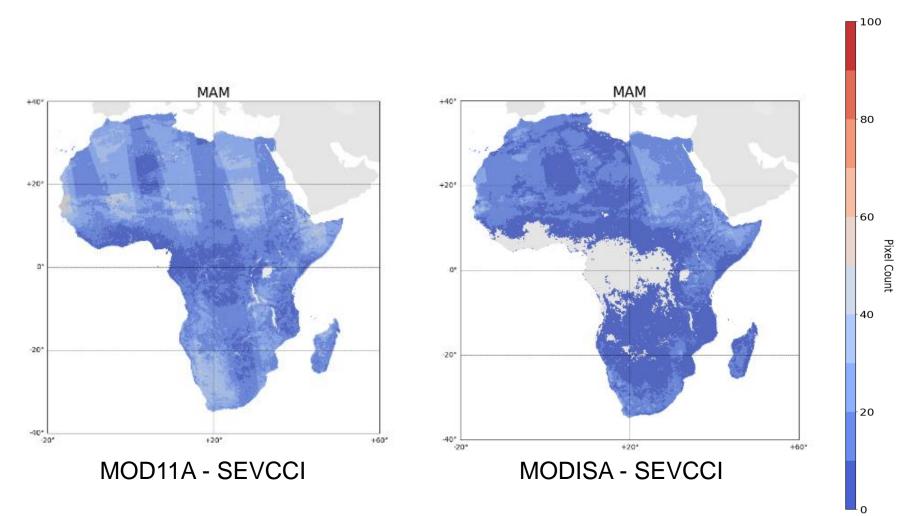


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#### **INTERCOMPARISONS – RESULTS OVER AFRICA**

- Seasonal daytime count of matches per pixel for MAM
  - Few matches around equator





#### **SUMMARY**

## • In Situ Validation results:

- LST\_cci products perform well, with larger variations in bias during day
- Recommendations for improvements of data products were given to data producers

## • Intercomparison results:

- In general differences between data pairs are in an acceptable range
- LST\_cci products are more comparable with each other than with the operational products
- Analysis of elevation classes, land cover classes, satellite angles (not shown) gives further insights in the results