

All-sky infrared assimilation overview



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■ 1. Retrieval products from cloud-affected radiances

- (Traditional retrieval implemented outside assimilations system)

- ▣ Cloud top height (temperature), cloud fraction, cloud water path, optical thickness,,,

- 1D + 4D-Var : 1D-Var or 1D-Bay in preprocessing

- ▣ $h(x) = \sum Q_k$, Q_k , ,,, in main analysis, but general RTM can be used in 1D step

■ 2. Cloud-cleared radiance (CCR)

- Construct pseudo clear-sky rad using ancillary data

- $h(x) = \text{RTM}(T_k, Q_k)$

■ 3. Simple cloud radiance (SCR)

- Use simple RTM for homogeneous single-layer cloud

- $h(x) = \text{RTM}(T_k, Q_k, N, P_{\text{CloudTop}})$

■ 4. All-sky radiance (ASR)

- Handle general clouds (multi-layer, thin to opaque, partial to overcast)

- $h(x) = \text{RTM}(T_k, Q_k, F_k, C_k)$

T_k : Temperature

Q_k : Humidity

N or F_k : Cloud fraction

C_k : Cloud content

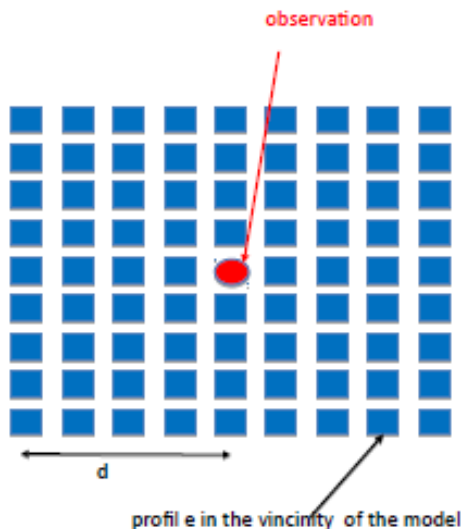
k : vertical level

1. 1D-Bay + 4D-Var (Meteo-France)

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- 2-step technique, already used for radar and MW rainy radiance assimilation
 - Caumont et al. 2010, Tellus; Wattrelot et al. 2014, MWR; Duruisseau et al. 2019, QJRMS
- Retrieve RH profiles from cloudy IR rad based on 1D Bayesian approach
 - Weighted average of 81 surrounding profiles
 - $h(x) = \text{RTM}(T_k, Q_k, F_k, C_k)$
- Additional route of the current clear-sky radiance assimilation

Farouk et al. 2019 ITSC22



Weight assigned to each neighbour

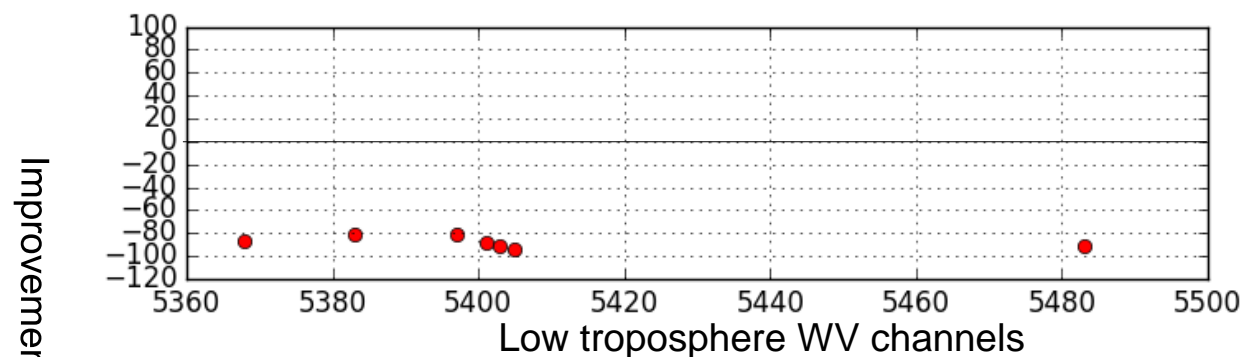
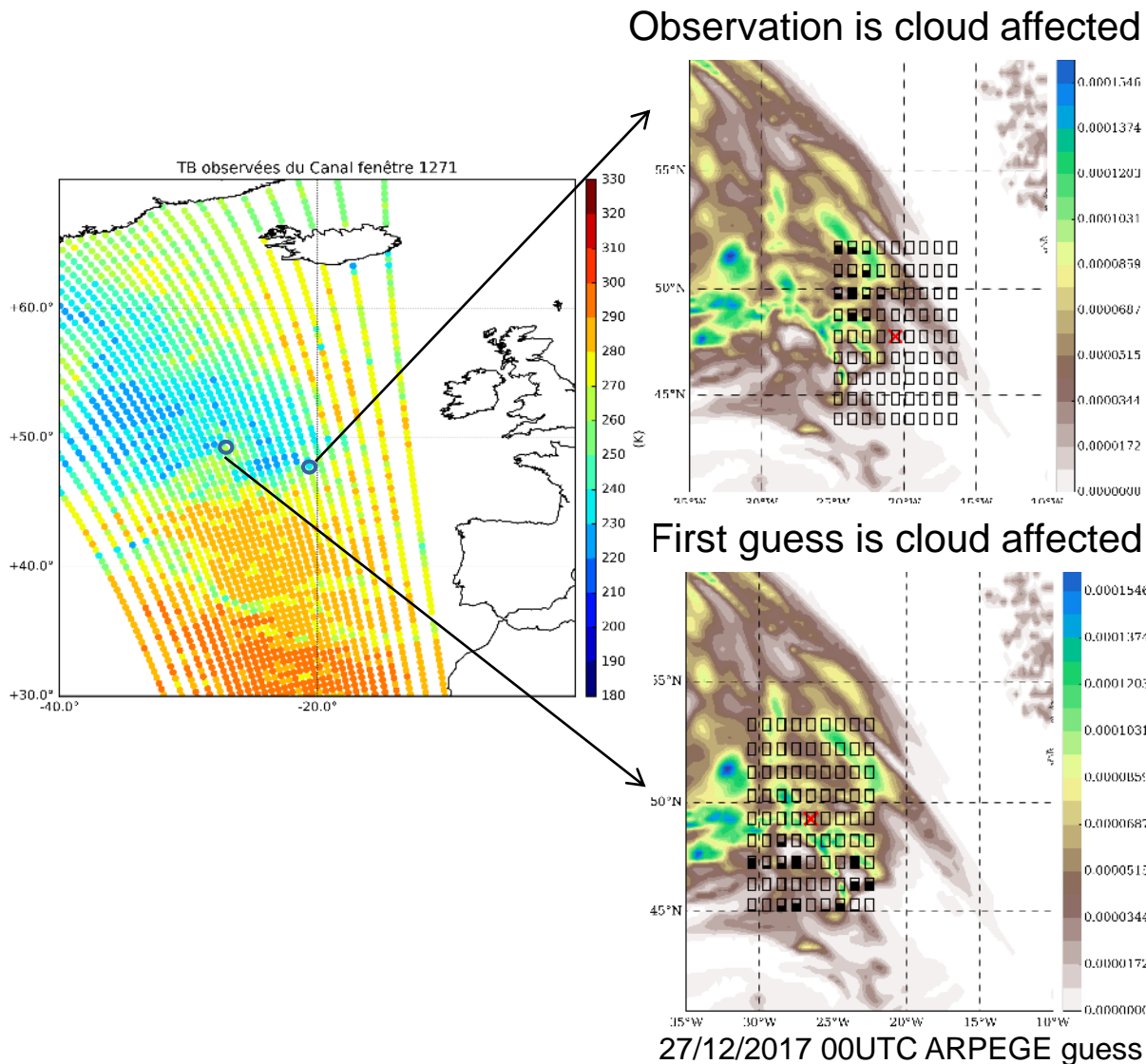
$$w_j = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i^{N_{chan}} \left(\frac{H(x_j) - TB_{obs,i}}{R_I} \right)^2}$$

Investigating the 1D-Bay+4D-Var technique for IASI cloudy observations (PhD of Imane Farouk 2015-2018)

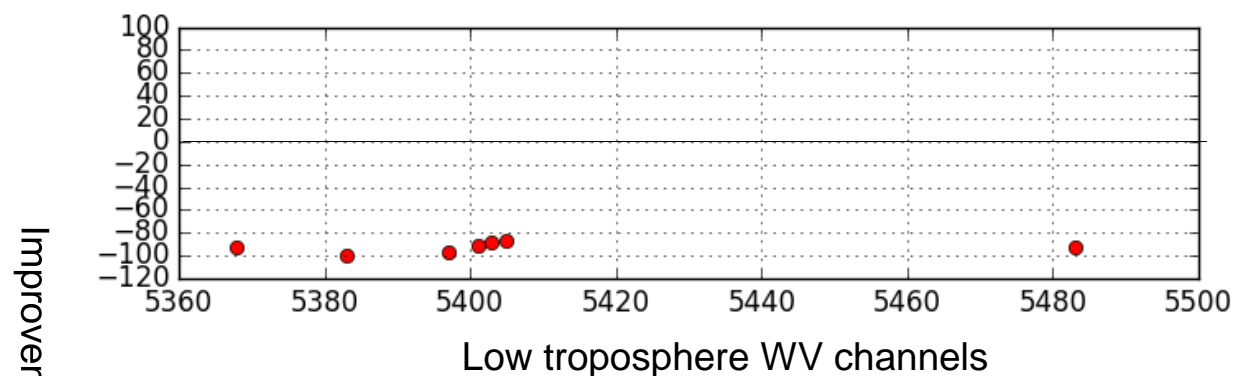
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Single observation experiments with a subset of 83 IASI channels



The retrieval of full state vector (RH, Cli, Ciw, ...) leads to a better forward simulation close to observations



The retrieved RH profiles are used within the 4D-Var assimilation like for MW observations (Duruiseau et al., 2018) => tests are ongoing

2. Cloud Cleared Radiance (CCR)

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- Construct pseudo clear-sky rad using colocated obs or DA from partial cloud rad

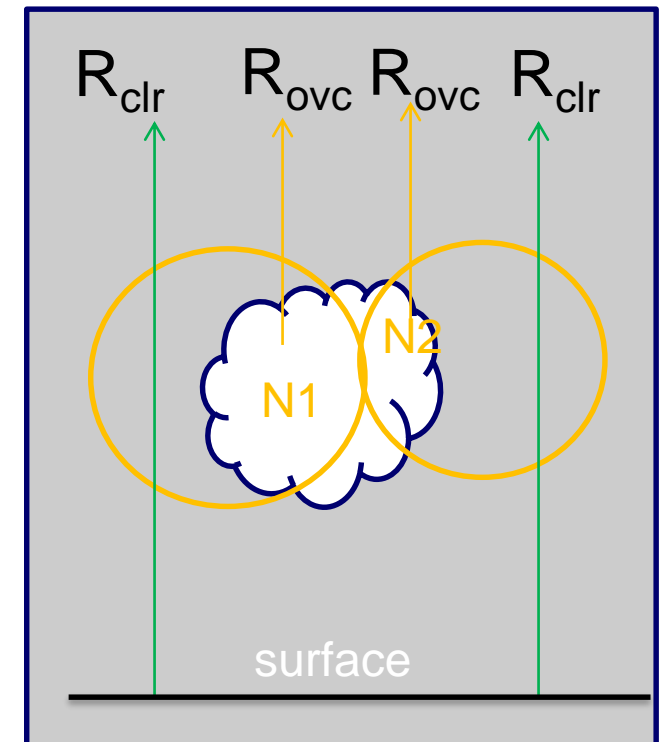
- Algorithm

- FOV1: $R_1 = (1-N_1) \cdot R_{\text{clr}} + N_1 \cdot R_{\text{ovc}}$
FOV2: $R_2 = (1-N_2) \cdot R_{\text{clr}} + N_2 \cdot R_{\text{ovc}}$
- Assume: R_{clr} and R_{ovc} in the 2 adjacent FOVs are same
- Eliminating R_{ovc} from above 2 equations leads to
 $R_{\text{CCR}} = R_{\text{clr}} = R_1 + \eta \cdot (R_1 - R_2)$ or $(R_1 - R_2 N^*) / (1 - N^*)$
where $\eta = N_1 / (N_2 - N_1)$ and $N_1 \neq N_2$
 $N^* = N_1 / N_2$

Adapted from Liu et al. 2015, AMS

- 3 approaches to obtain η or N^*

1. Use colocated high res. imager (Li et al. 2005, IEEE)
2. Use colocated MW sounder (Susskind et al. 2006, JGR)
3. Constrained by DA system (Liu et al. 2015, AMS)



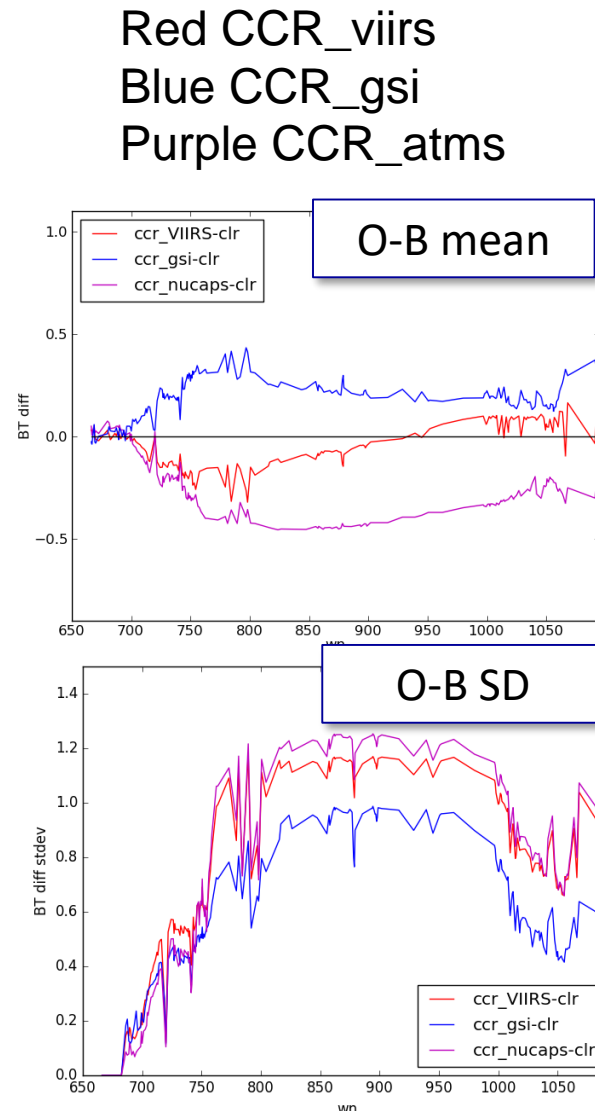
CCR assimilation development at NCEP

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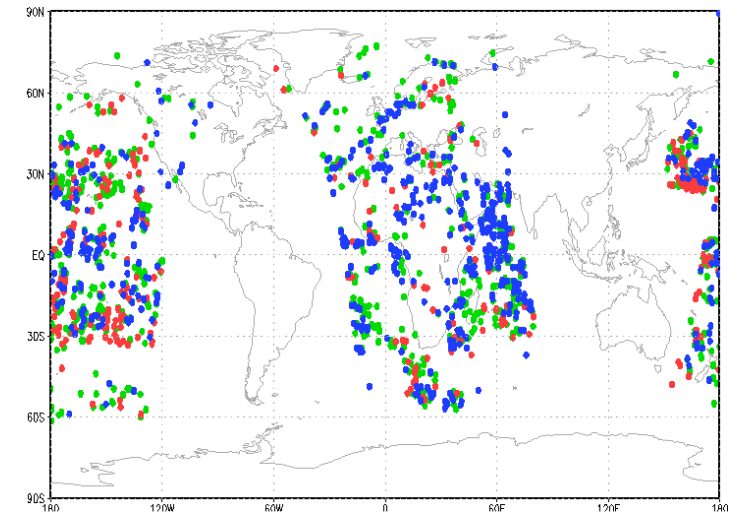
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Liu et al. 2017, ITSC21

- The three CCRs were comparable in quality compared to the clear-sky data identified by VIIRS cloud mask
- The impact of the CrIS CCR_VIIRS on the global forecast score was neutral so far
- Obs error assigned was hard to tune

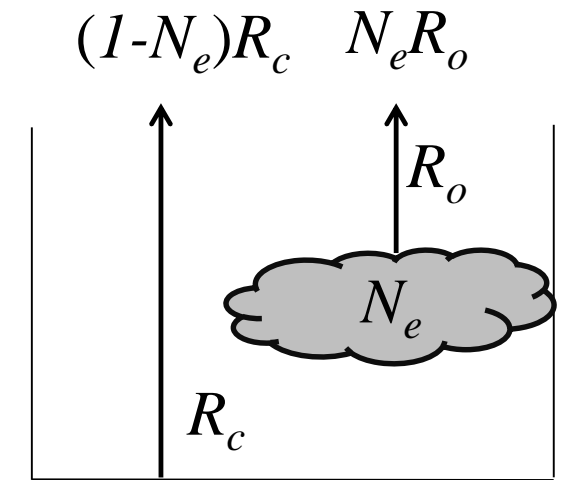


Blue clear-sky (CSR)
Red: CSR + CCR_viirs
Green: CSR+CCRviirs, modified thinn



3. Simple Cloud Radiance (SCR)

- Assume cloud is homogeneous & single-layer (or at most 2 layers to avoid complexity)
- Assimilate SCR in addition to clear-sky rad
- Cloud effect is included using only effective cloud fraction N_e and cloud top pressure P_c
 - $R^i = R_{clr}^i (1 - N) + R_{ovc}^i N$
 - R_{clr}^i : clear-sky radiance of channel I
 - R_{ovc}^i : completely **overcast** radiance from a blackbody cloud at P_c
 - N & P_c are given from obs products, estimate using FG, or control variables
- Problems
 - Limited availability (few increasing obs)
 - Hard to relate the obtained cloud info with other variables



4. All-sky Radiance (ASR)

- “use all observations directly as radiances whether they are clear, cloudy or precipitating using models (for both radiative transfer and forecasting) that are capable of simulating cloud and precipitation with sufficient accuracy” (Geer et al. 2019, AMT)
- Against CCR
 - Directly handle clouds
- Against SCR
 - Handle general clouds, no need to take a separate clear-sky path

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- What benefit can we add to clear-sky IR and all-sky MW assimilation?

- **Advantage over clear-sky IR**

- Increase observation coverage
 - ▣ More horizontally and vertically homogeneous coverage
 - ▣ Available inside and below thin clouds
- Exploit cloud information
- Reduce sampling bias, such as dry bias
- No need to develop a cloud detection scheme
- Help evaluation of model cloud process

- **Advantage over MW all-sky**

- More frequently available obs from geo imagers/sounders
- More vertically resolved information from hyperspectral sounders
- Higher sensitivity to cloud → thin cloud

Advantage: Increase coverage

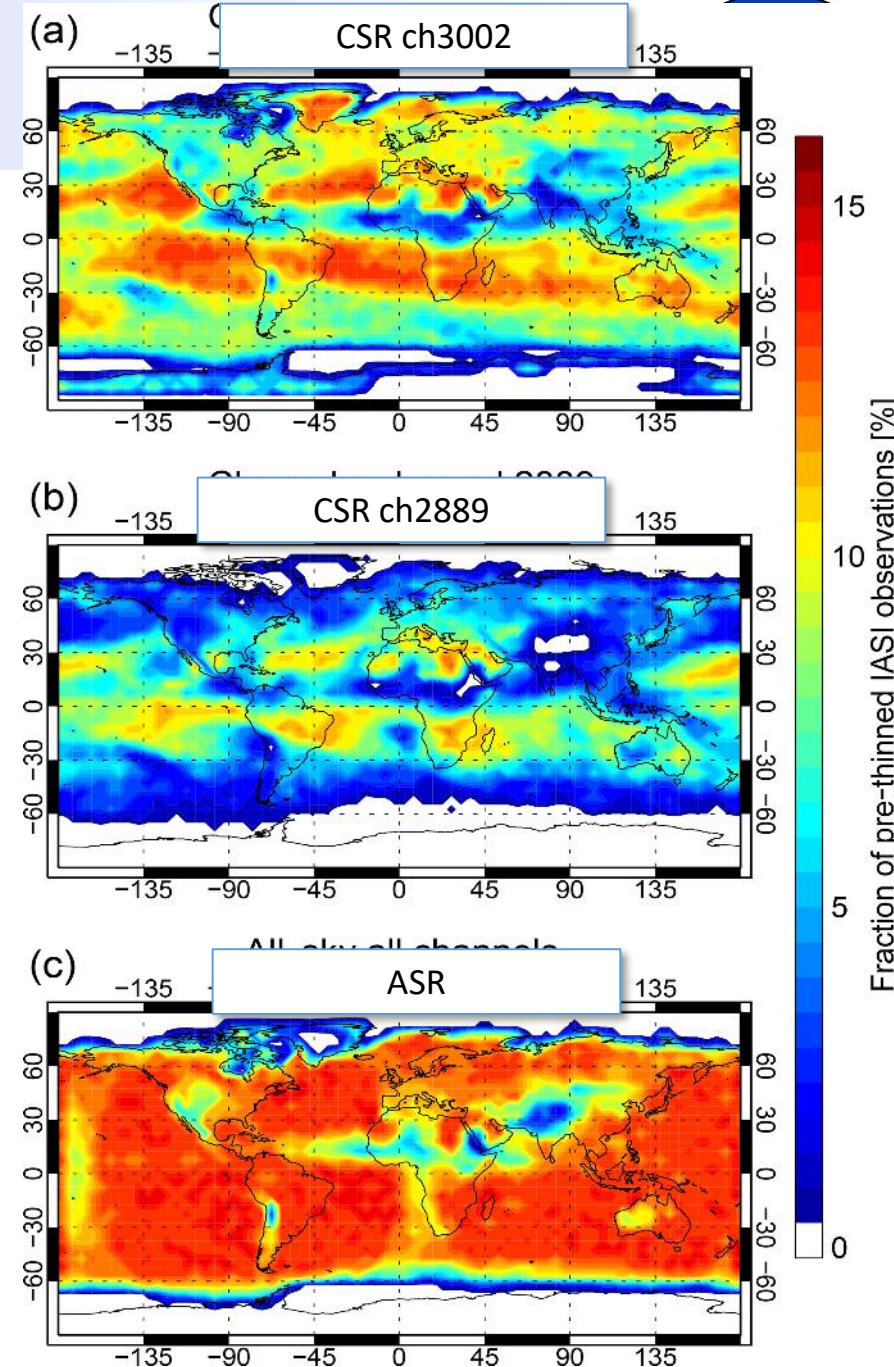
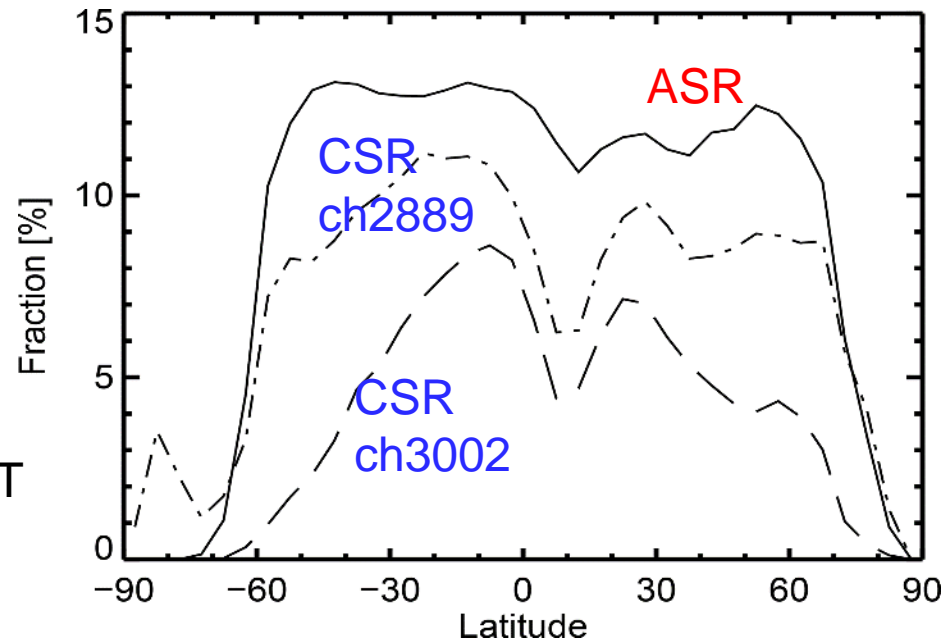
■ Example of Geer et al. 2019, AMT

- Percentage of actively assimilated IASI all-sky and clear-sky obs from 1 to 20 June 2017

■ More uniform coverage

- Especially mid-lat stom track area and tropics
- 1.3 (2.3) times more obs with higher (lower)-peaking ch in this period

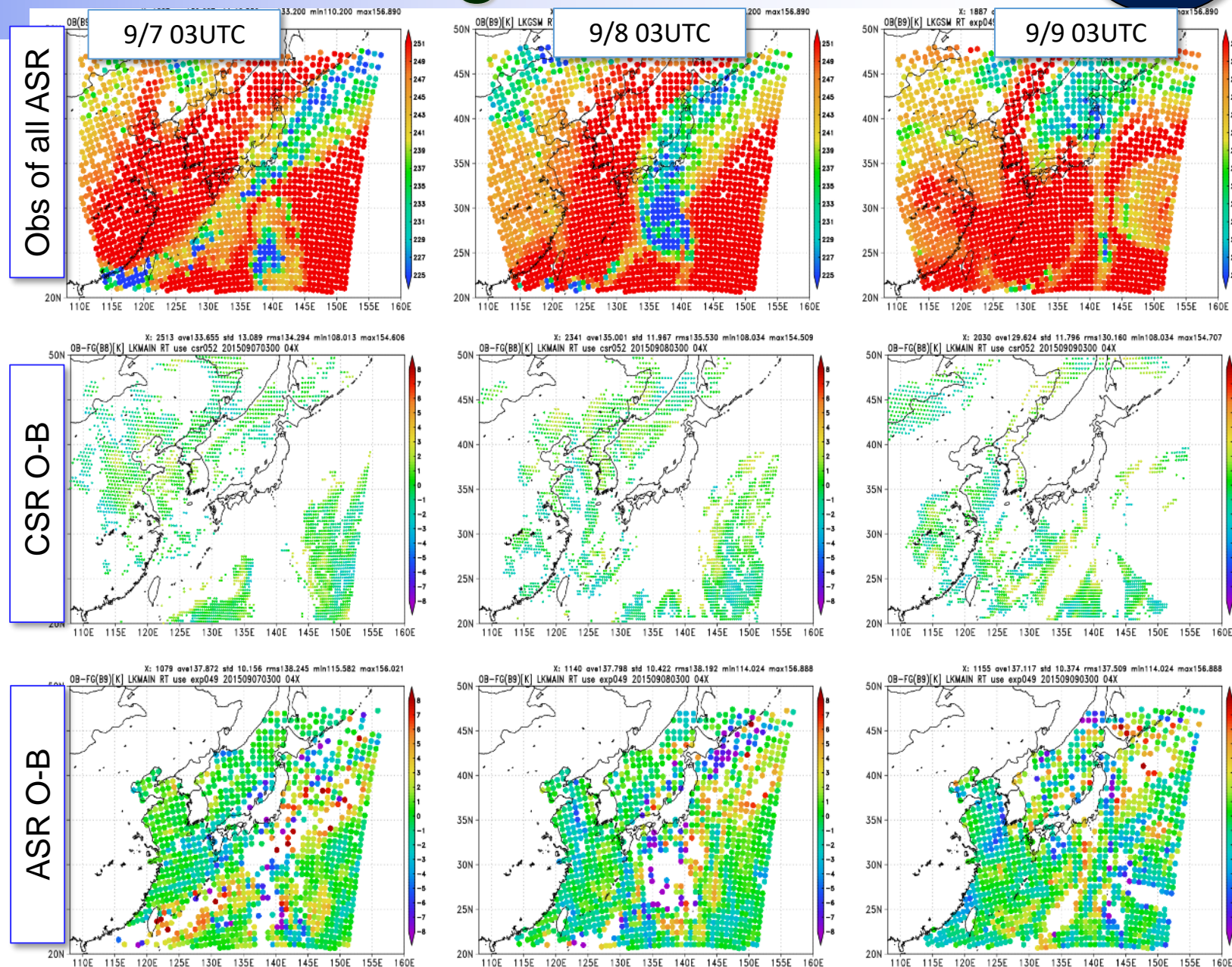
Geer et al. 2019, AMT



Advantage: Increase coverage

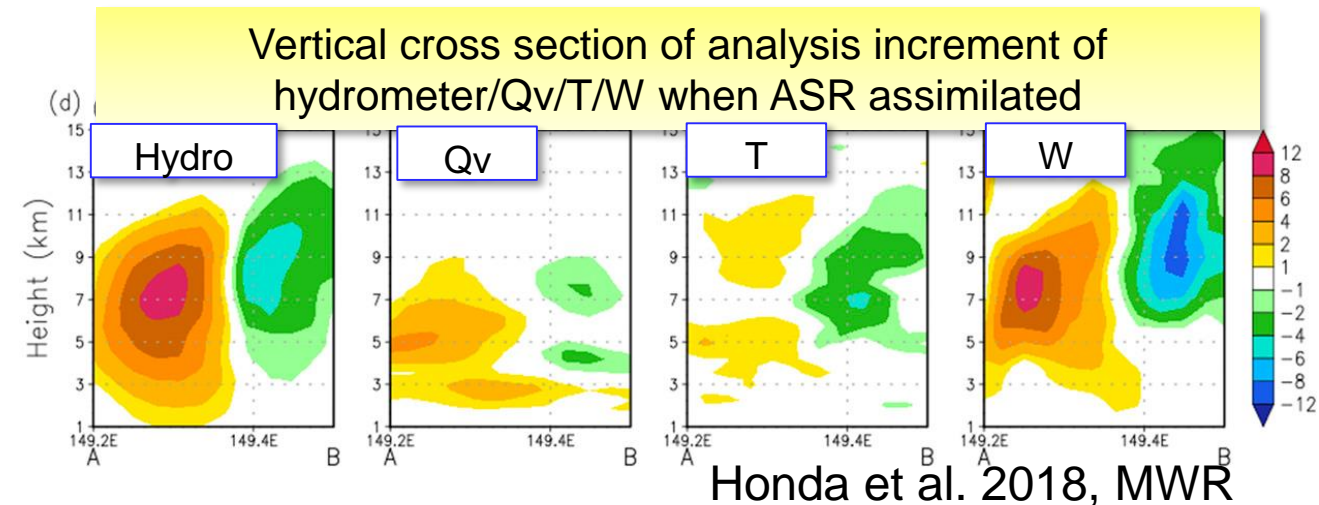
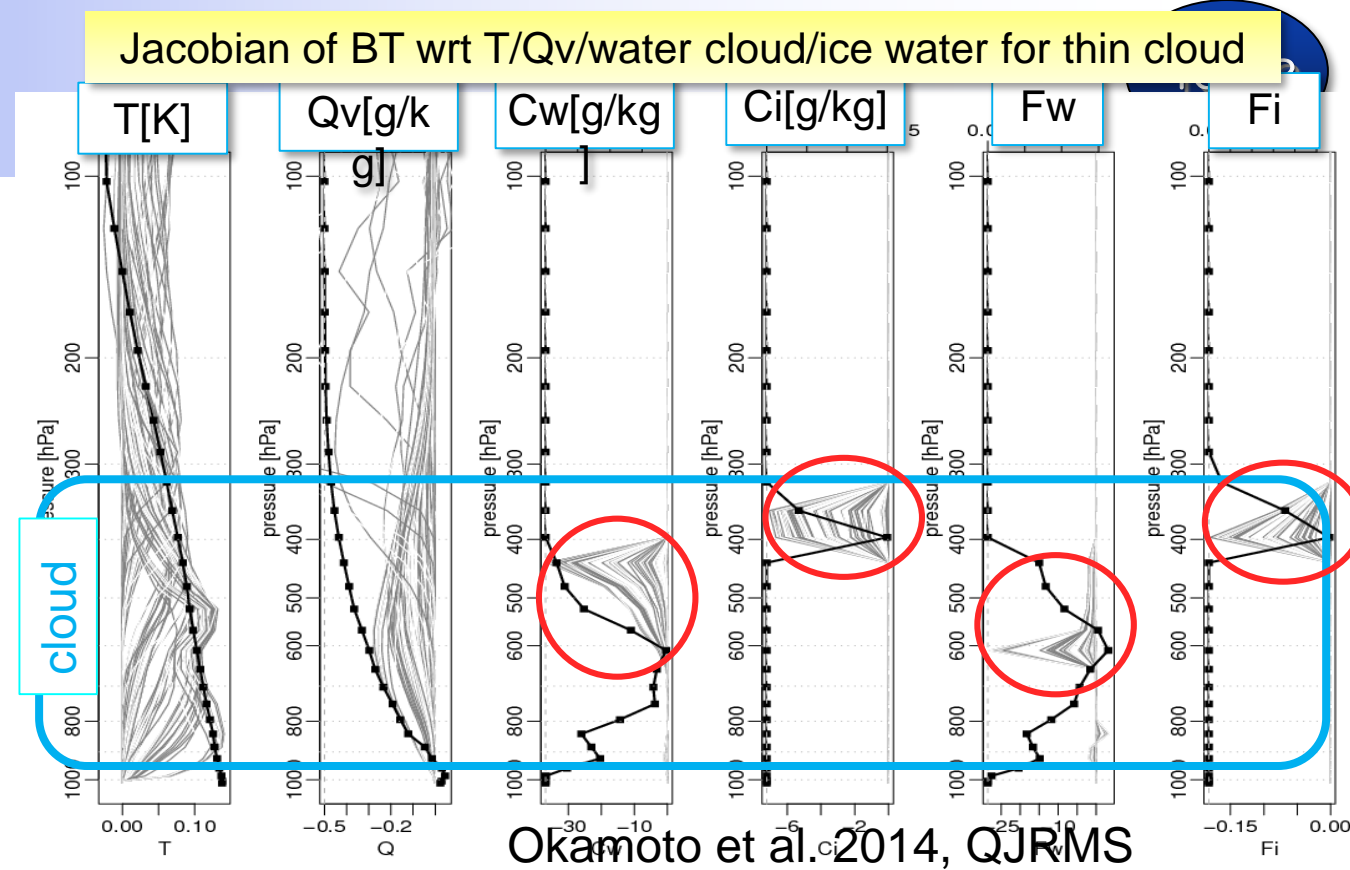
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- Example of regional DAS around Japan
 - Actively assimilated AHI for 3 analyses when TC passed Japan in Sep. 2015
- CSR coverage is limited and much varies according to clouds
- More homogeneous availability with ASR
 - Despite rejection in highly developed cloud regions and over land



Advantage: Cloud info

- Through RTM Jacobians, error correlation and adjoint of forecast model
 - Cloud control variables are not necessarily needed
 - Error correlation & adjoint can produce cloud analysis increment even inside and below (thick) cloud
 - Extract wind info from tracer effect of cloud (& humidity)
- Analyze and initialize cloud
 - Beneficial especially for convective-permitting models, cloud analysis studies and applications using cloud-related products



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- Modeling cloud processes
 - Large unpredictability
 - → Relatively low representation (mislocation, bias,,)
- RTM
 - Large variability in optical parameters
 - Sub-grid process (multiple column, overlap)
- Observations
 - Calibration
- DA
 - Large scene-dependent error
 - Strong non-Gaussianity and non-linearity
 - Zero-gradient (Var) or zero-spread (Ens) for cloud

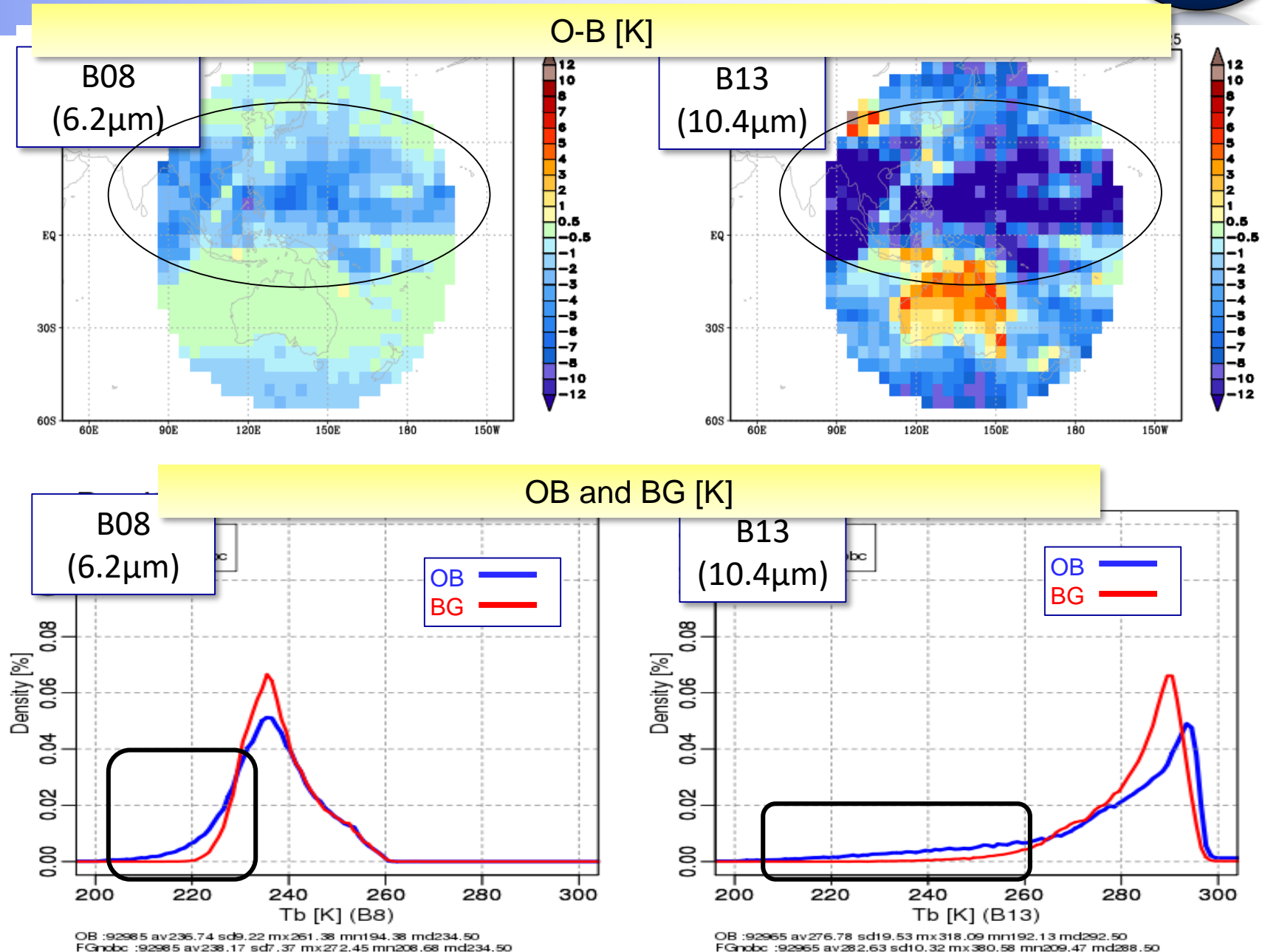
Challenges: model

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■ Example of JMA's global model

- O-B of Himawari-8/AHI for 21-30 July 2018
- RTTOV10.2
 - Wyser ice scheme
- No QC
- Super-obbed (16x16 pix)

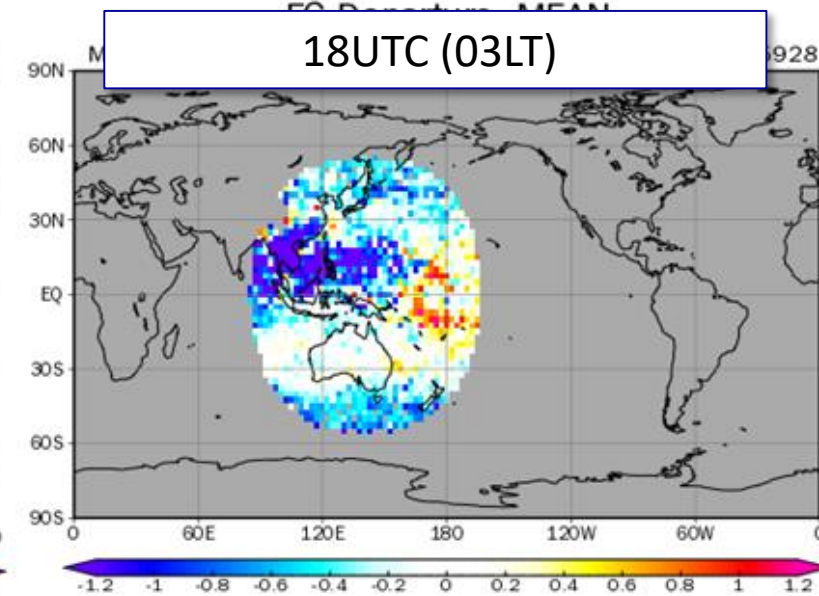
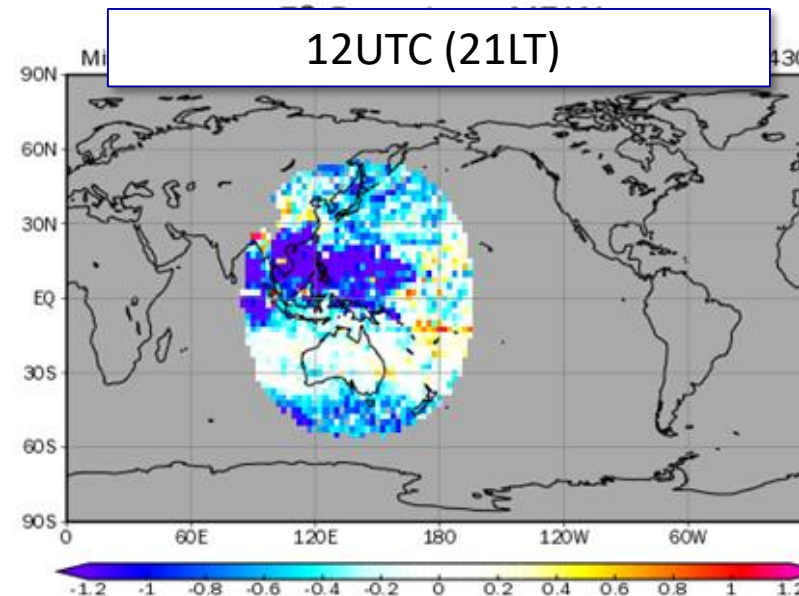
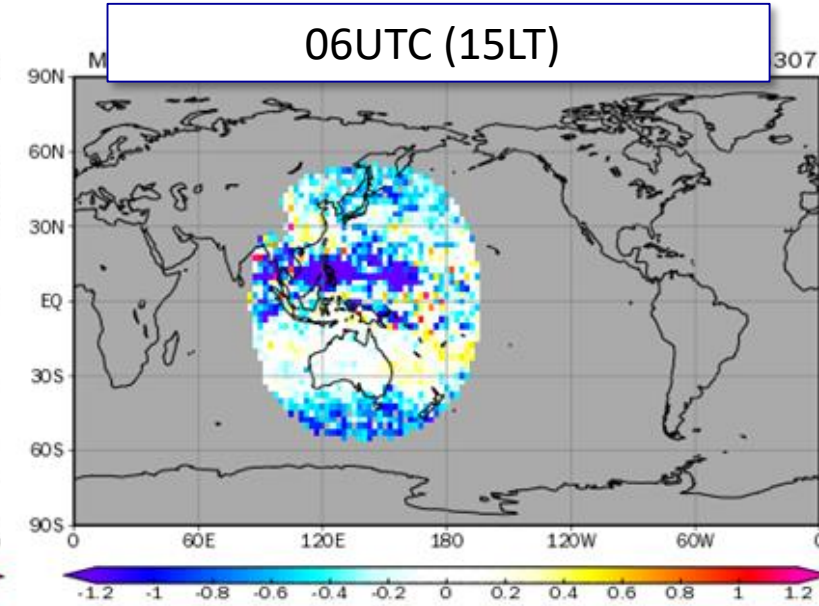
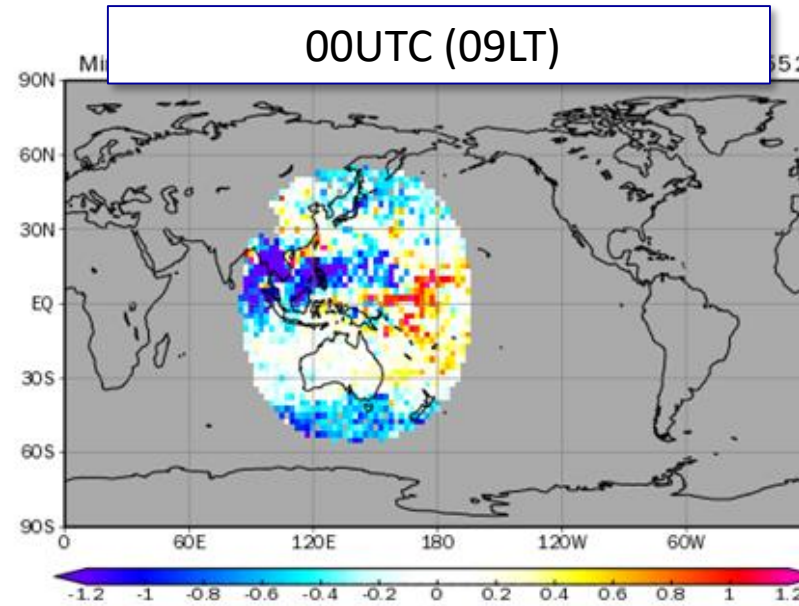
■ Model underpredicts high clouds



Challenges: model

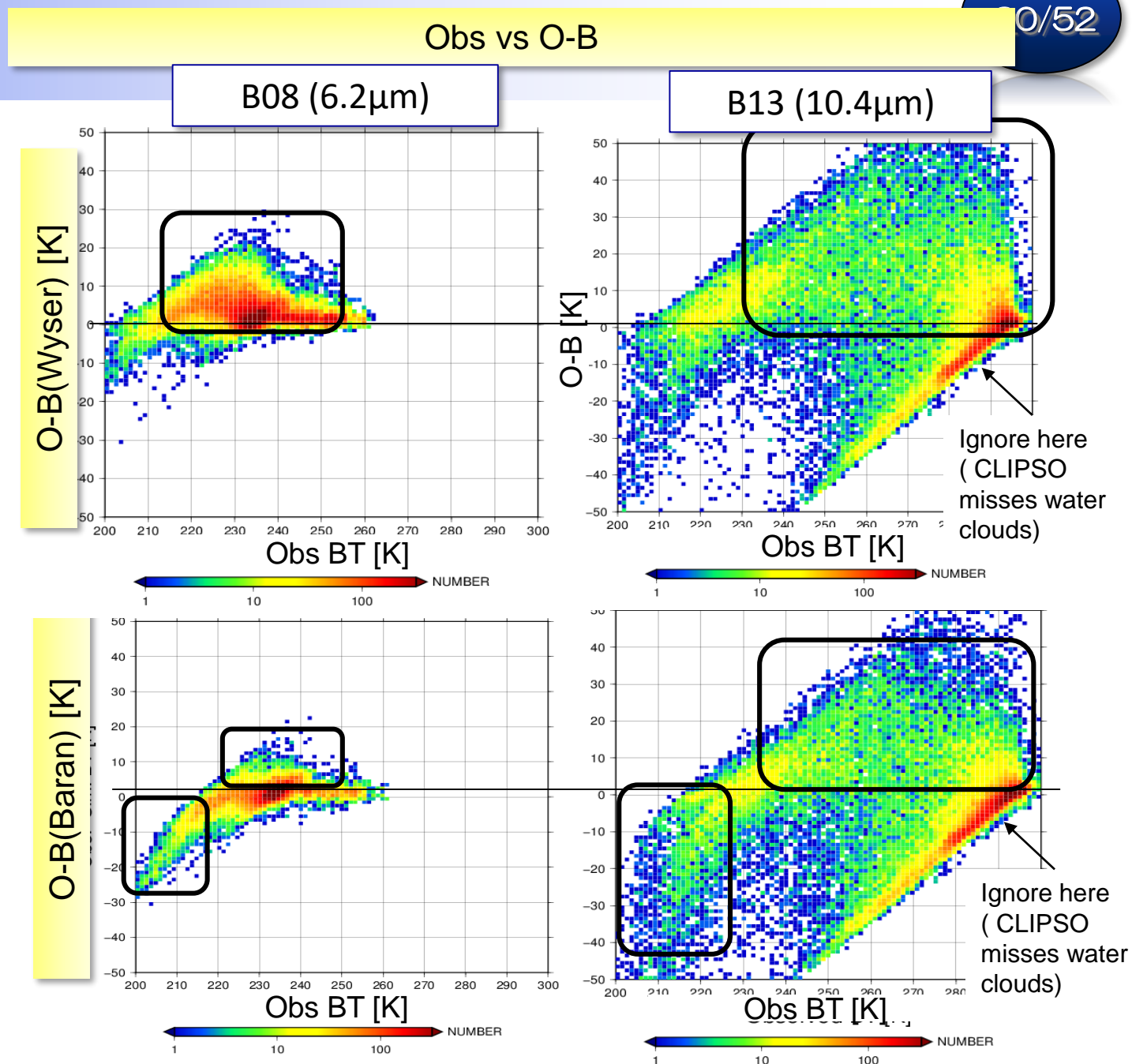
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- Example of JMA's global model bias
 - O-B at Himwari8/AHI band 08 (6.2 μ m) in August 2018
- Model does not well represent diurnal variation of high clouds
 - Wider and thicker around the convective region in the evening



Challenges: RTM

- Simulation with RTTOV12.2 using CALIPSO cloud profile
 - Himawari8/AHI band 8 and 10
- Baran scheme relative to Wyser scheme
 - Reduce +ve O-B bias
 - educe overestimation of cloud abs
 - But still have temperature dependent bias
 - Note that missing water clouds in CALIPSO makes -ve O-B at high BT
- Need to improve optical parameters and/or provide cloud microphysical parameters

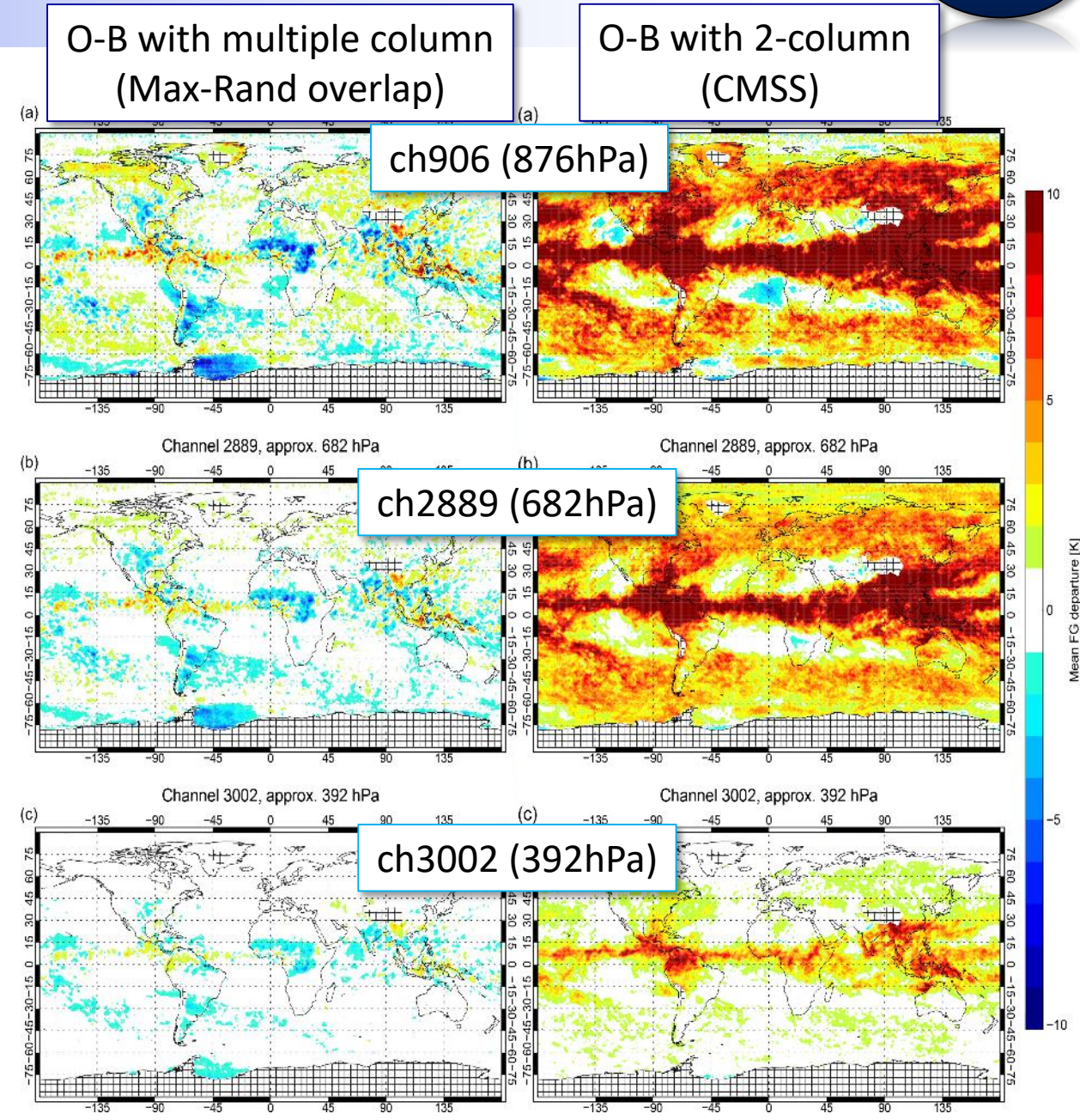


Challenges: RTM

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- How to treat subgrid cloud variation?
 - Deploy fractional clouds at each vertical layer under a overlap assumption
- Need multiple independent column approach (Geer et al. 2019, AMT)
 - Simplified 2-column approach generates large errors even for upper-tropospheric ch
 - Different from all-sky MW
 - Increase computational cost with the number of columns
 - 34 times more than clear-sky calculation at ECMWF
 - How do Jacobians wrt cloud behave?

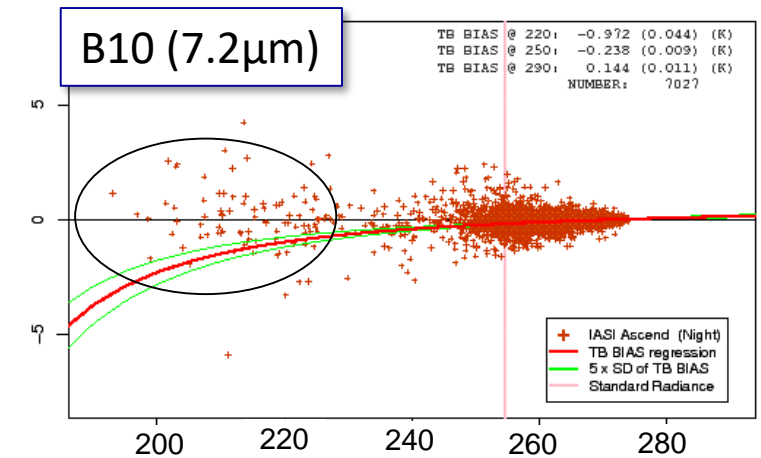
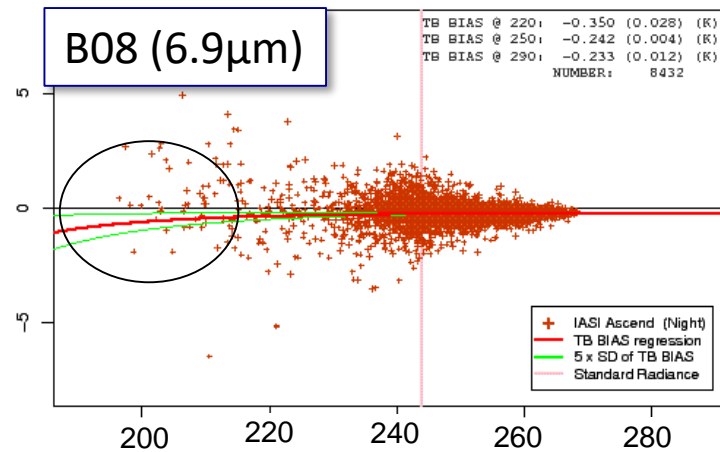
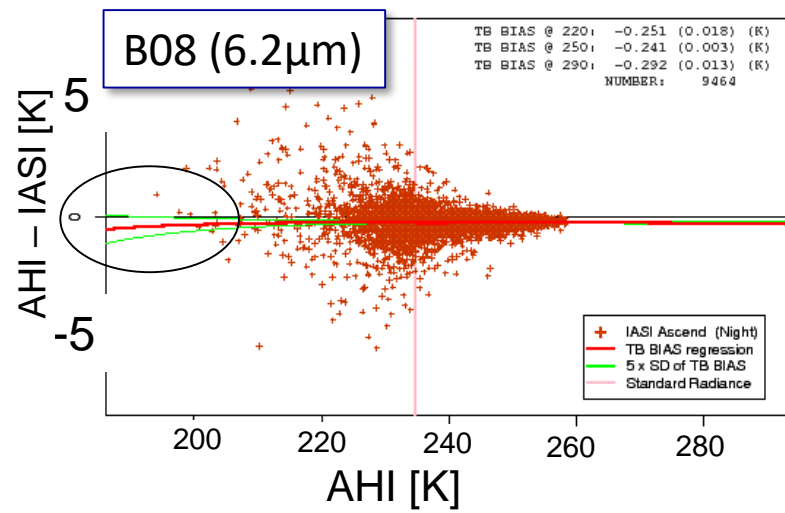
Geer et al. 2019, AMT



Challenges: observations

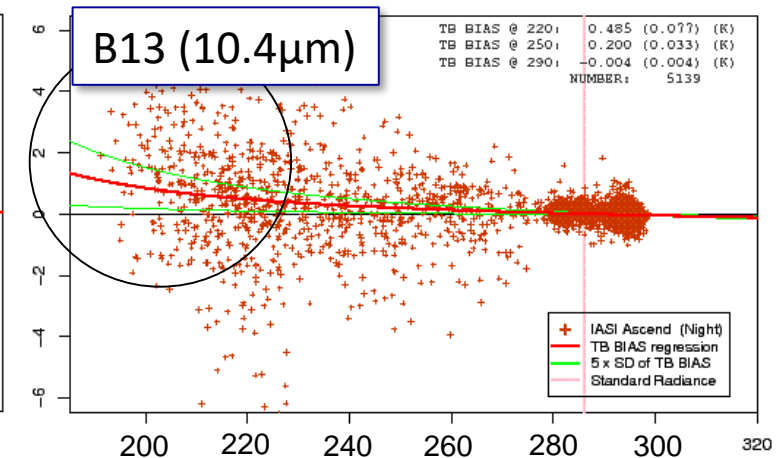
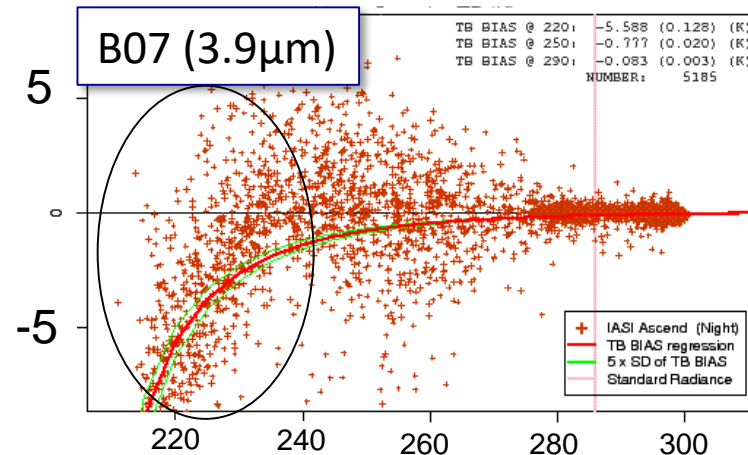
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- Larger BT bias in cold region due to increasing calibration uncertainty
 - In particular, large at short wavelength (3.9 μm)



Himawari8/AHI intercalibration with
IASI super-ch in GSICS

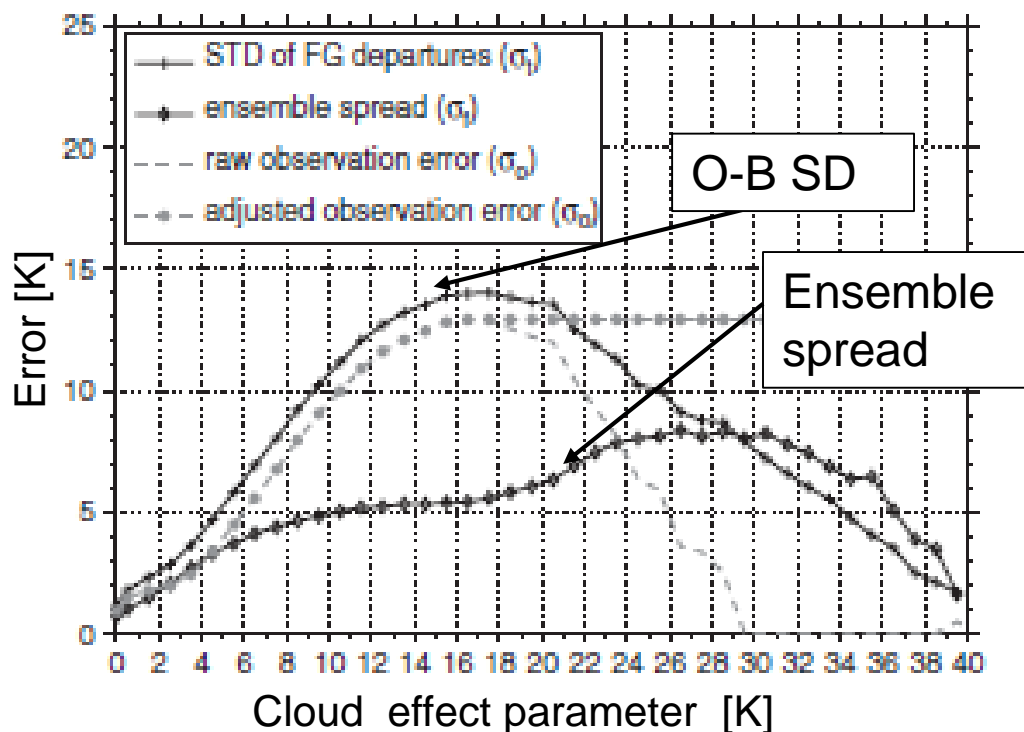
Takahashi et al. 2015,
EUMETSAT conference



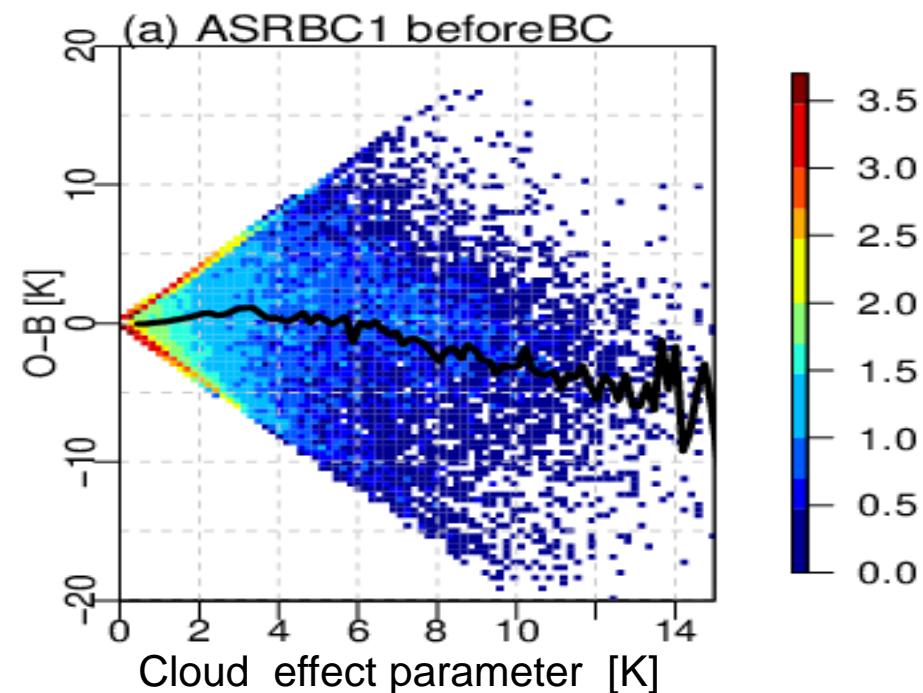
Challenges: DA: Large scene dependent error

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- O-B variability and bias significantly varies with cloud due to low predictability
- Observation error (covariance) should be scaled according to cloud effect or model unpredictability
 - To account for dominant “representation error”



Harnisch et al. 2016, QJRMS



Okamoto et al. 2019, QJRMS

Observation error model

1. Empirical climatological model based on a symmetric cloud parameter

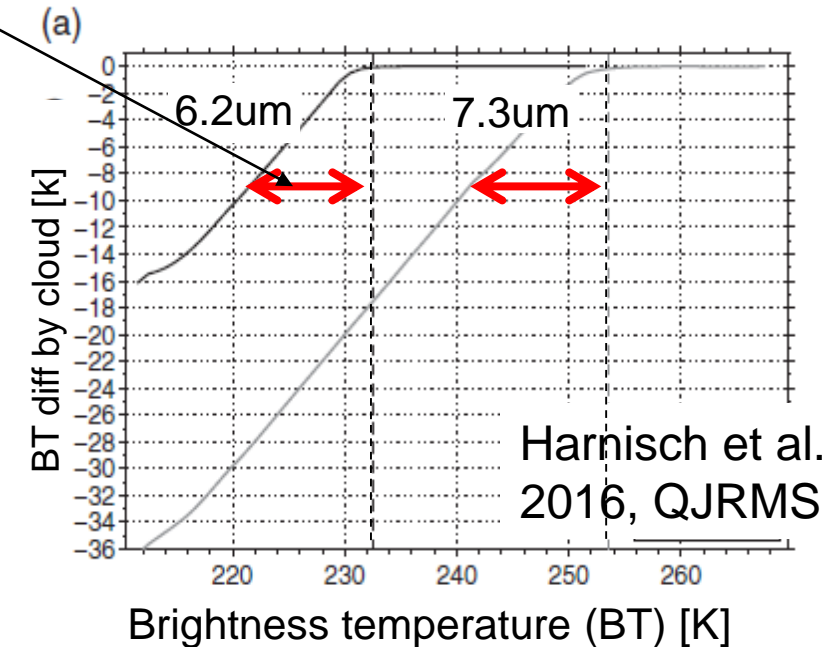
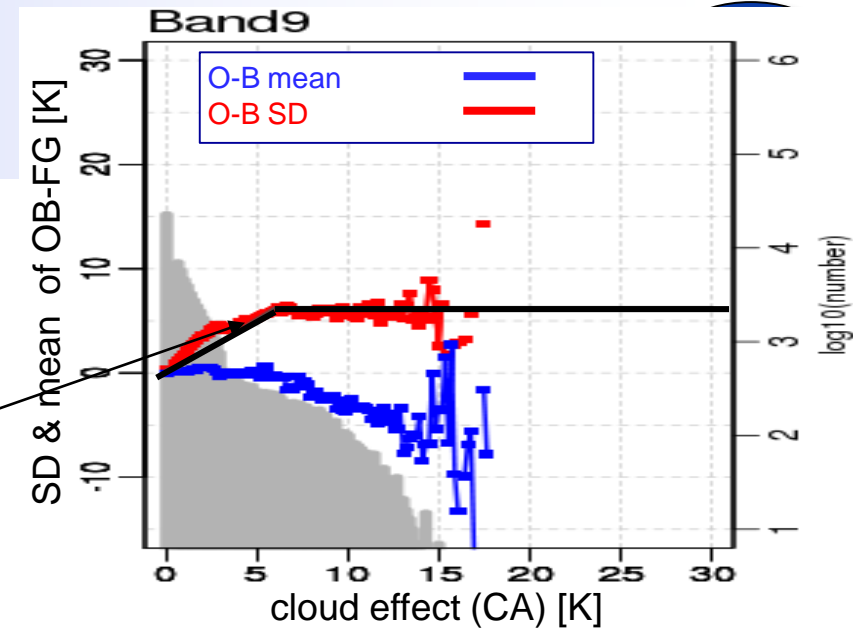
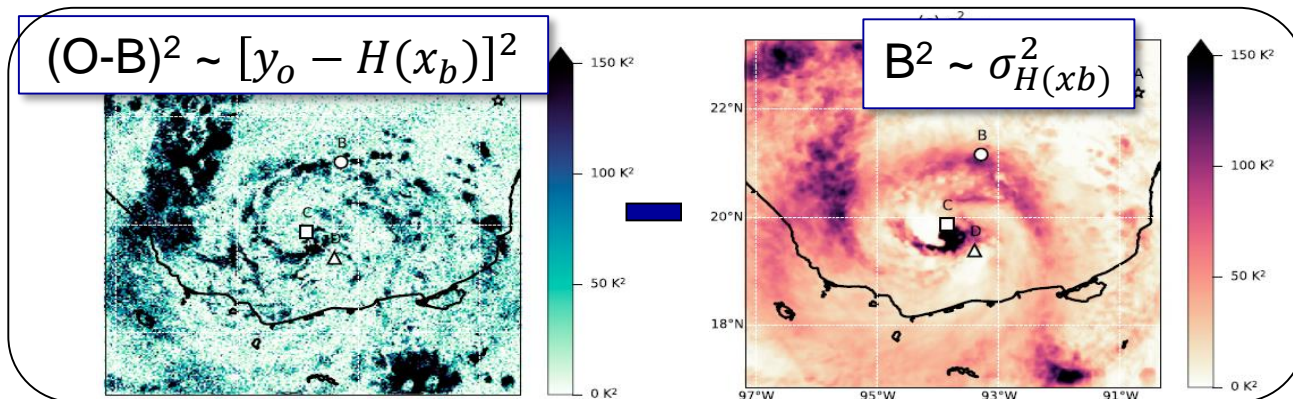
- Extend the original Geer and Bauer approach to all-sky IR
- Obs error is a linear function of cloud effect parameter Ca

- Okamoto et al. (2014, QJRMS) : $Ca = \frac{1}{2}\{|O-B_{clear}| + |B-B_{clear}|\}$
- Harnisch et al. (2016, QJRMS) : $Ca = \frac{1}{2}\{(T_{lim}-B) + (T_{lim}-O)\}$

2. Adaptive model based on O-B and ensemble spread

- AOEI (adaptive observation-error inflation; Minamide and Zhang 2017, MWR)

$$\sigma_o^2 = \max\{\sigma_{min}^2, [y_o - H(x_b)]^2 - \sigma_{H(x_b)}^2\}$$



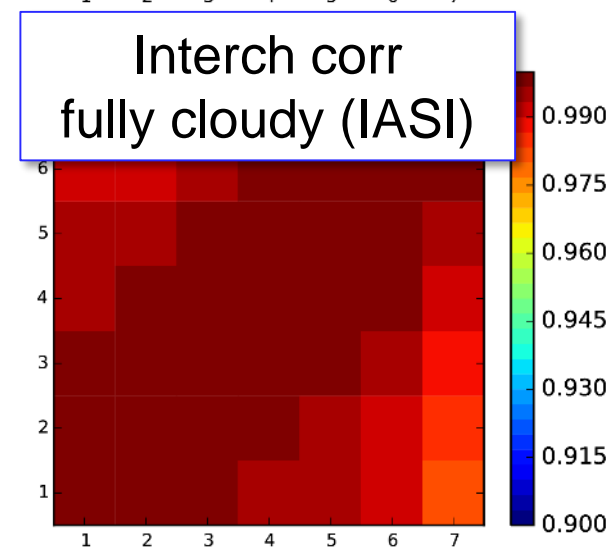
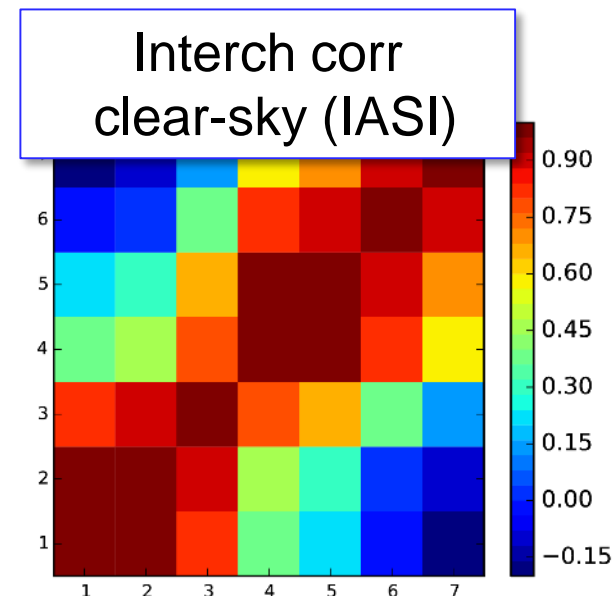
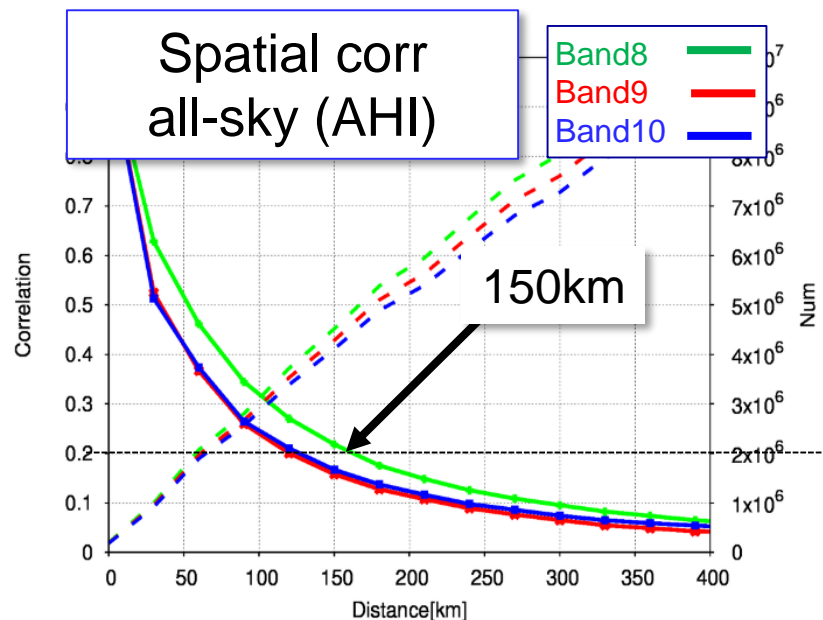
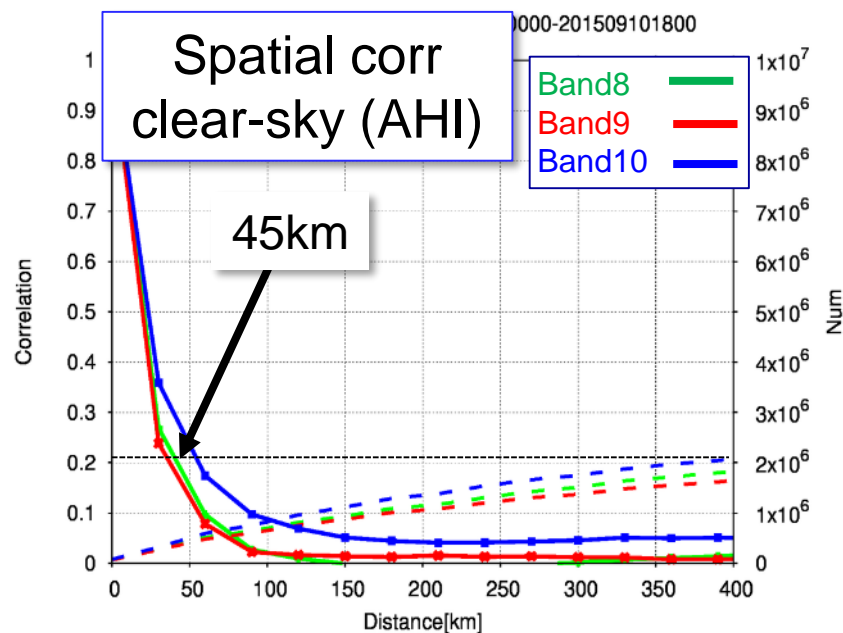
Harnisch et al.
2016, QJRMS

Minamide & Zhang
2017, MWR

Challenges: DA: Large scene-dependent error

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- Spatial and spectral observation error correlation becomes larger in the presence of cloud
- Including interchannel correlation in clear-sky radiance brings big positive impacts for hyperspectral sounders
- All-sky MW has not yet introduced the error correlation
- Geer (2019, AMT) shows greater positive impacts by properly including interchannel error correlation with eigenvalue adjustment



Geer 2019, AMT

Obs error correlation at ECMWF

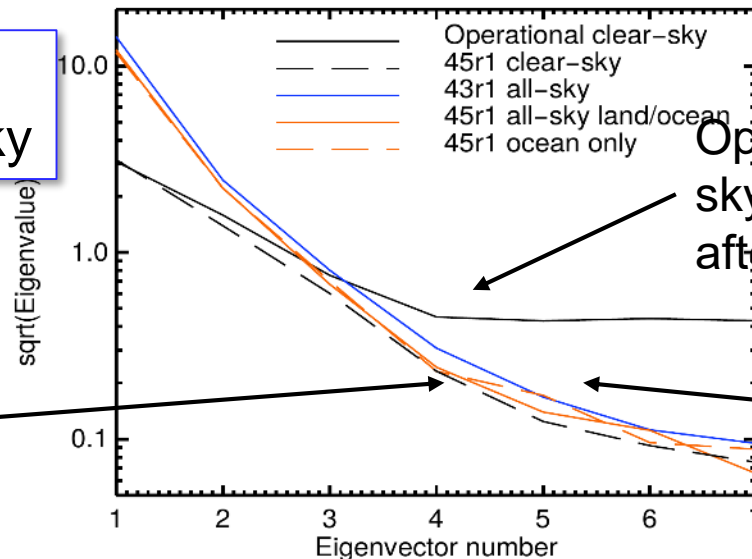
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Geer (2019, esas)

Geer 2019, AMT

■ How to handle the interchannel obs error correlation? b

- Apply eigenvector decomposition of obs error covariance matrices
- Scale eigenvalues according to cloud effects using the obs error model
- Tune trailing eigenvalues (set minimum value)
 - To suppress weird biases, T-sensitivity in the stratosphere, and vertical T oscillations
 - Small trailing eigenvalues amplify sensitivity to high-order combination of ch

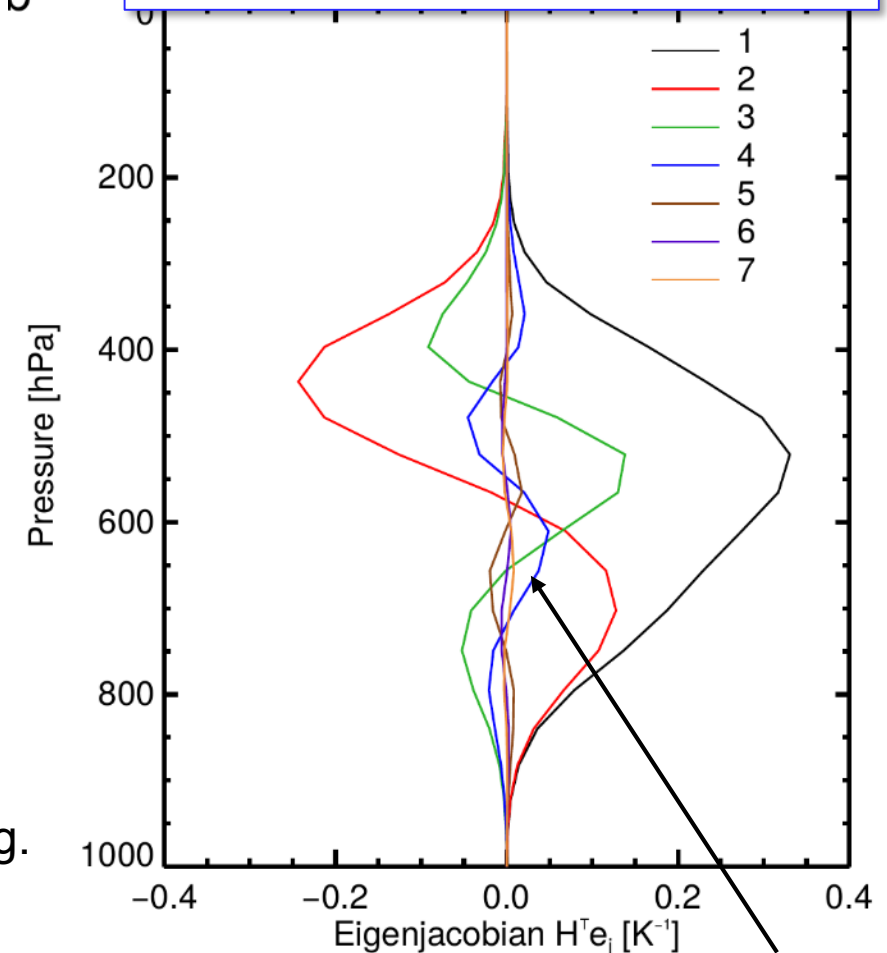
Eigenvalues of
clear-sky and all-sky



Operational clear-sky
eigenvalues
after "floor" retuning.

Clear-sky and all-sky
eigenvalues before any
tuning

EigenJacobian = $H^T e_j$

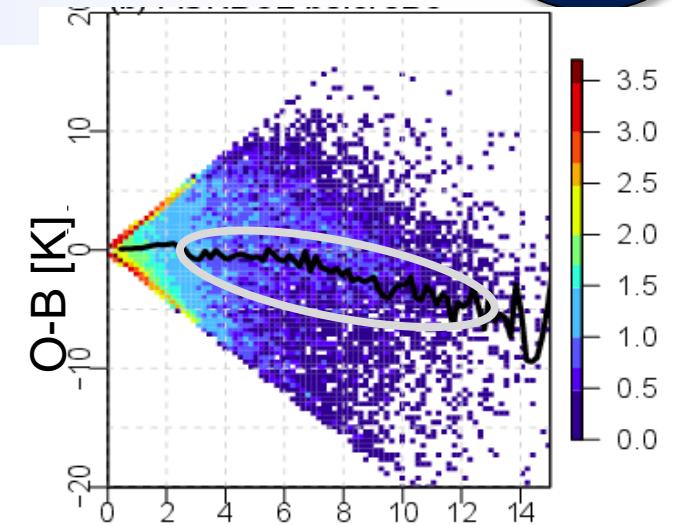
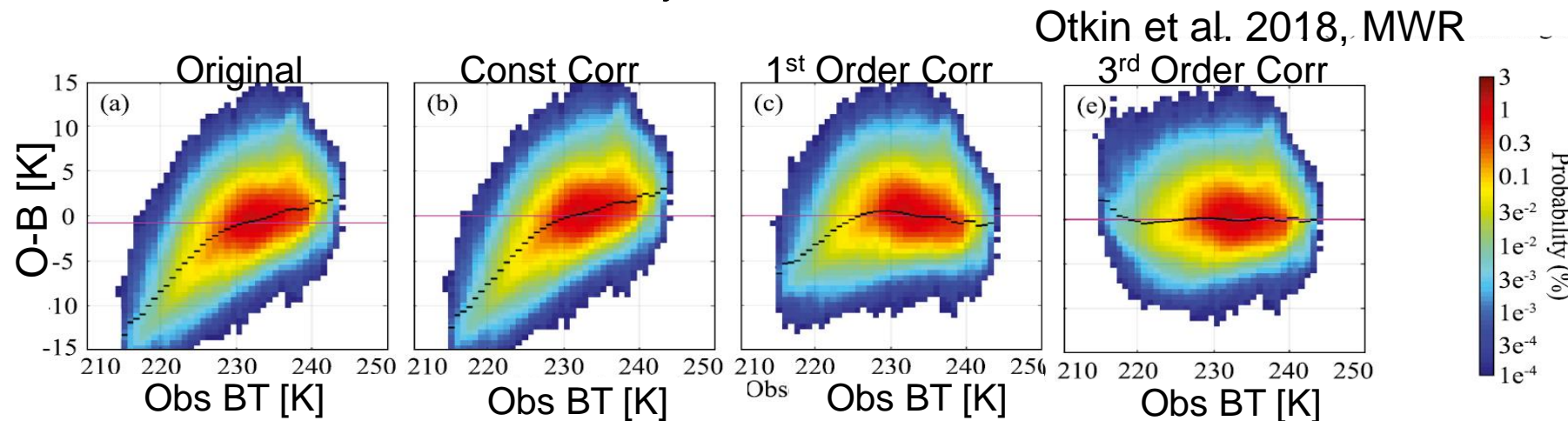


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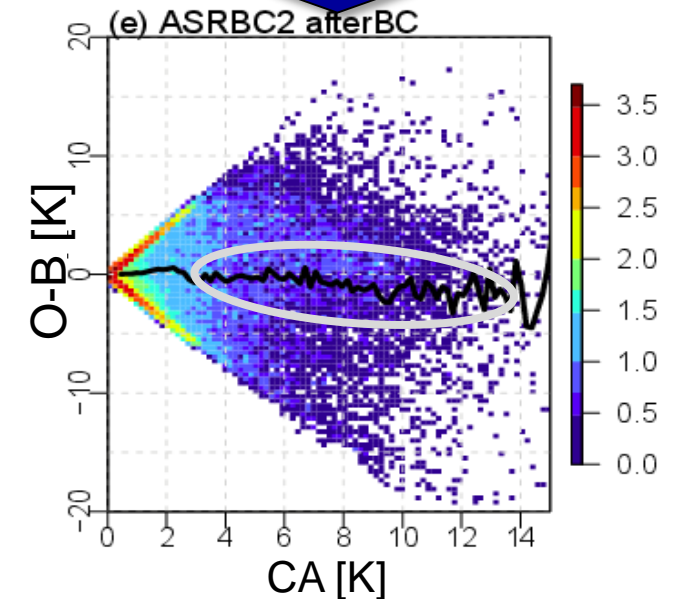
Challenges: DA: bias

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- Biased obs should be removed (QC), underweighted (inflate obs errors) or corrected (bias correction: BC)
 - Depend on relative magnitude to obs error
- How to BC? What BC predictors should be used?
 - Cloud-independent BC (e.g. same as CSR predictors of thickness and scan position: Geer et al. 2019, AMT)
 - Cloud dependent BC
 - Observed CTH or BT (Otkin et al. 2018, MWR)
 - Symmetric cloud effect parameters (Ca)
- How to handle a forecast model bias?
 - Model bias can be a major bias source

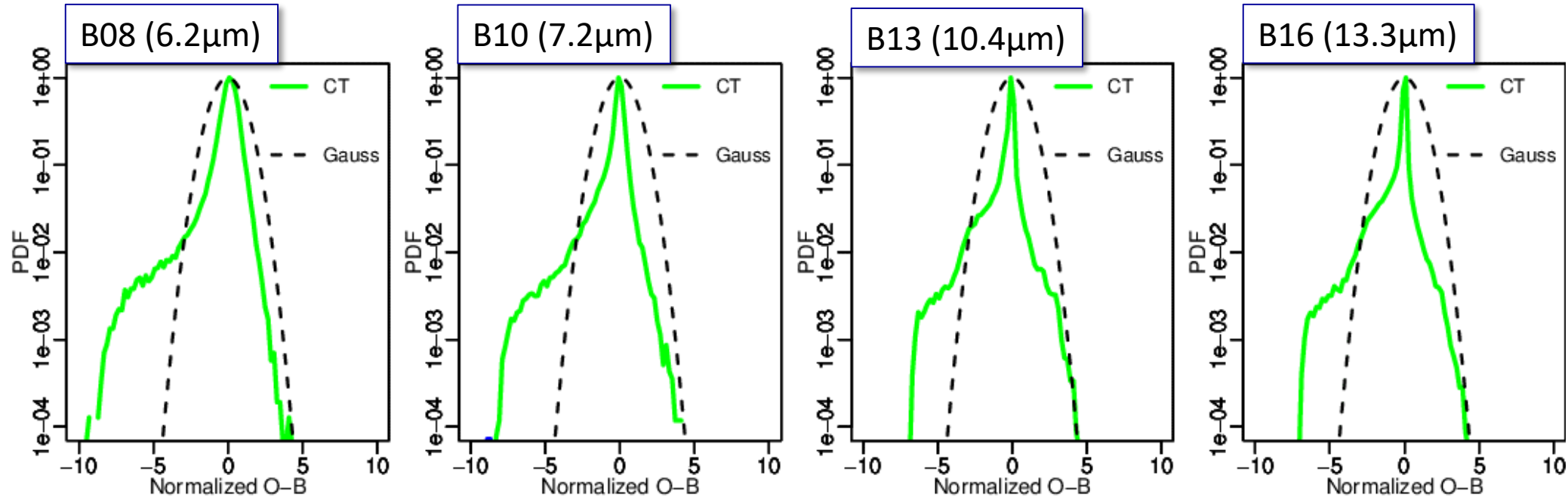


BC



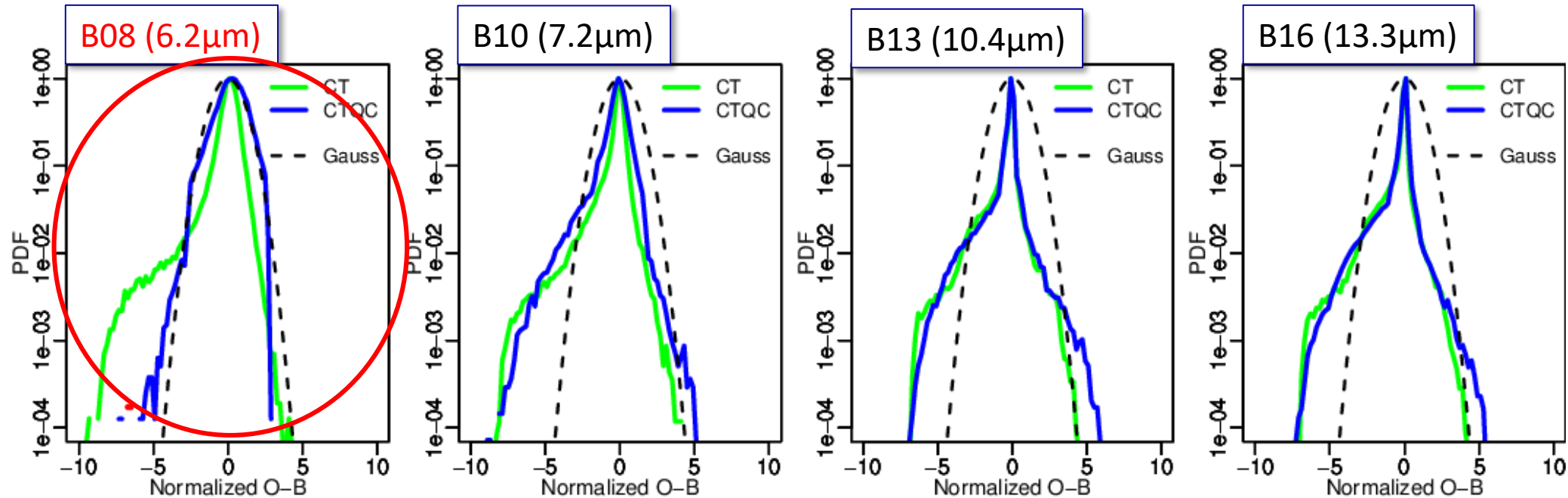
Okamoto et al. 2019 QJRMS

Challenges: DA: Non-Gaussianity



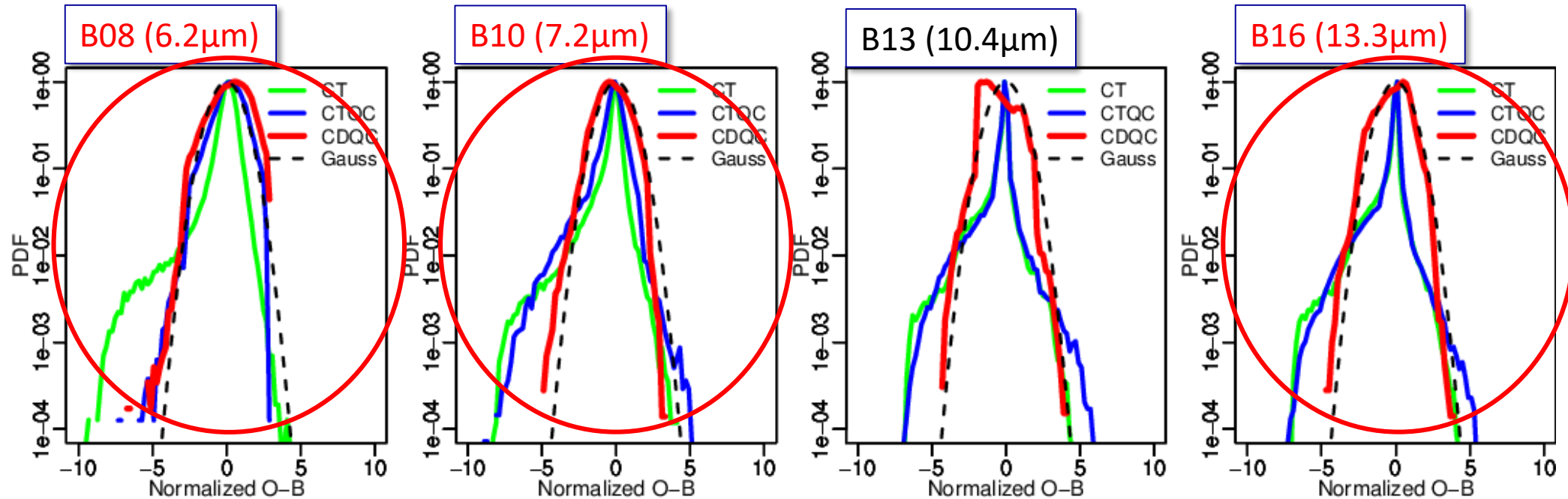
- O-B normalized with (constant) O-B SD after minimum QC in Sep 2015
 - Remove high inhomogeneous data
- No bands show Gaussian PDF in this case
 - Negative long tail and too peaked

Challenges: DA: Non-Gaussianity



- O-B normalized with (constant) O-B SD after **stricter QC** in Sep. 2015
 - Remove data of high inhomogeneity, too low-BT, or too large O-B
- The most WV-sensitive (least cloud-sensitive) band (B08) shows Gaussianity
- Still non-gaussian for other bands

Challenges: DA: Non-Gaussianity

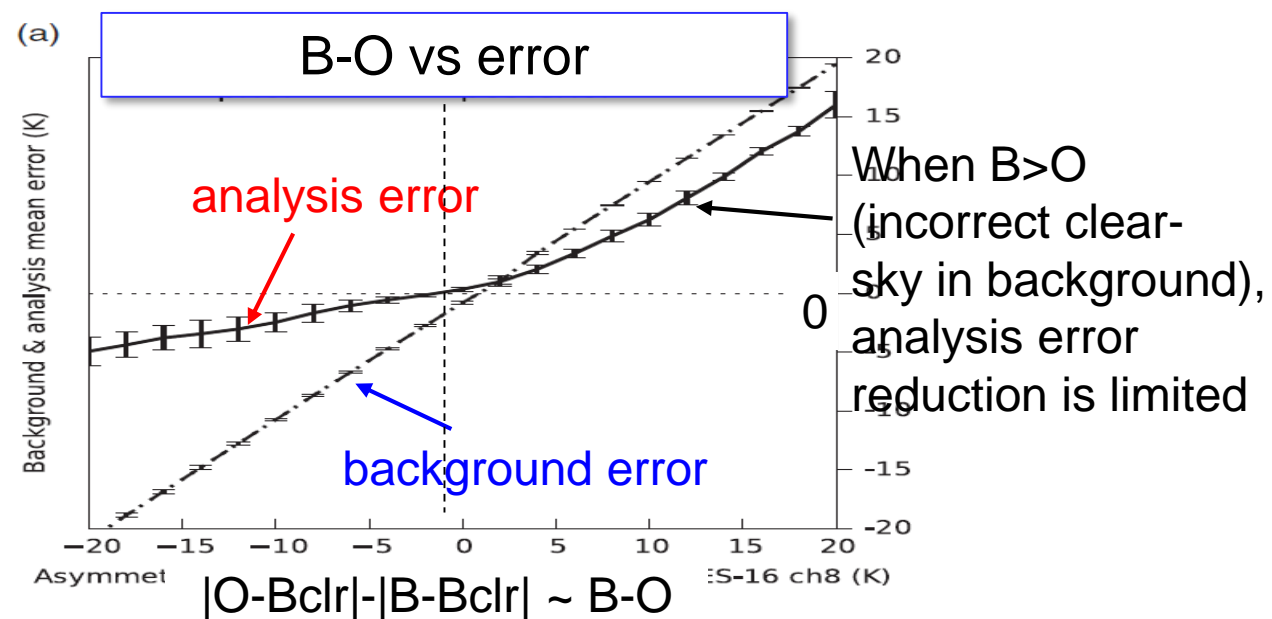
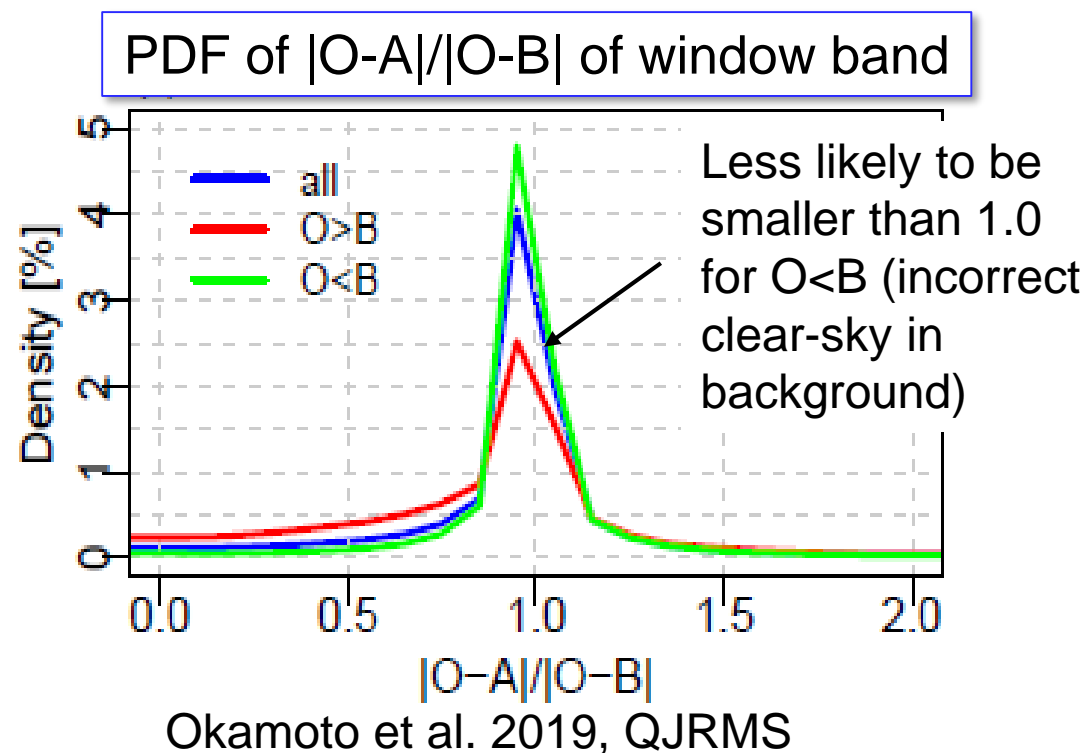


- O-B normalized with **cloud-dependent** O-B SD after stricter QC in Sep. 2015
- All WV-sensitive bands (B08 & 10) show Gaussianity
- Still non-gaussian for window band (B13)
- Acceptable for low tropospheric T band (B16)

Challenges: DA: Zero-gradient/zero-spread

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- More difficult to produce clouds than to reduce clouds
 - Under no cloud background condition, developing clouds in analysis is difficult due to zero-gradient (Jacobian) or zero-spread of ens members wrt clouds
- Update background (e.g. outer-loop), inflate spread (ABEI: Minamide & Zhang 2019, QJRMS), or select obs with similar sensitivity to clouds (e.g. WV ch)



Minamide & Zhang, 2019, QJRMS

- “I knew the challenges, but I want to start to do it. What should I do first?”
- ➔ WV ch is good for all-sky IR as initial development (Geer et al. 2019 AMT)
 - Compared with window and temperature sounding channels
- 1. Moderate sensitivity to clouds ➔ More Gaussian, smaller non-linearity
 - Easier to characterize error statistics, then making obs error model
- 2. Change in the same direction as clouds ➔ Avoid zero-gradient/zero-spread and aliasing cloud errors
 - Eg. -ve O-B leads to reducing humidity (clouds), and then clouds (humidity)
 - Eg. For T-ch, -ve O-B leads to reducing temperature or increasing clouds
- 3. Limited sensitivity to other variables (e.g. surface emissivity)
- 4. Exploit experience of all-sky MW assimilation of WV sounding-ch
- Actually, most recent studies chose WV ch of hypersounders and geo imagers

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Development of operational centers (1/3)

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- No operational centers have implemented all-sky IR assimilation in the operational systems as of Dec 2019
- UKMO
 - Developing all-sky for IASI and MTG/IRS
 - Aim1: Increase the number of IR rad assimilation in cloudy areas
 - ▣ Semi-transparent cloud and partial cloud cover
 - Aim2. Get the most out of geo hypersounders, potentially by improving wind fields through the tracer advection effect
- GMAO
 - Suspend developing all-sky IR assimilation because DA system is not fully ready to assimilate imagery IR data yet
- ECCO
 - Started testing all-sky MW assimilation
 - Planning to extend the same methodology to all-sky IR

■ Meteo-France

- Developing 1D-Bay + 4D-Var
 - ▢ Also working on vertical subsampling of the retrieved profile to pressure levels where the IASI channels have information content within the clouds.
- In the longer term, all-sky radiance assimilation in EnVar

■ DWD

- Developing all-sky IR in both global ICON and regional COSMO-KENDA system
- Experiments with COSMO-KENDA uses WV-channels of MSG/SEVIRI based on Harnisch et al. (2016, QJRMS)
 - ▢ The system is being transferred into the new regional system LAM-KENDA
- Non-linear BC is looked into based on Otkin & Potthast (2019, MWR)

■ NRL

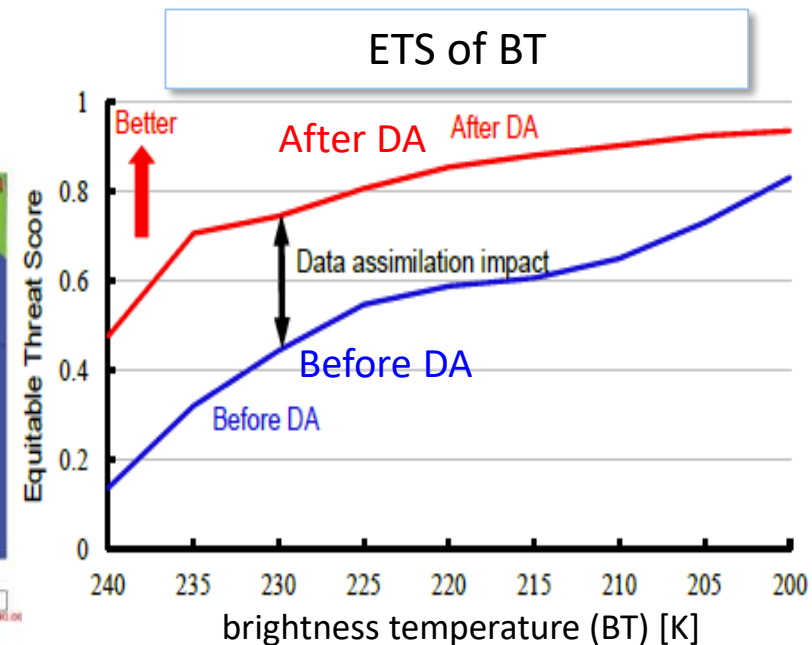
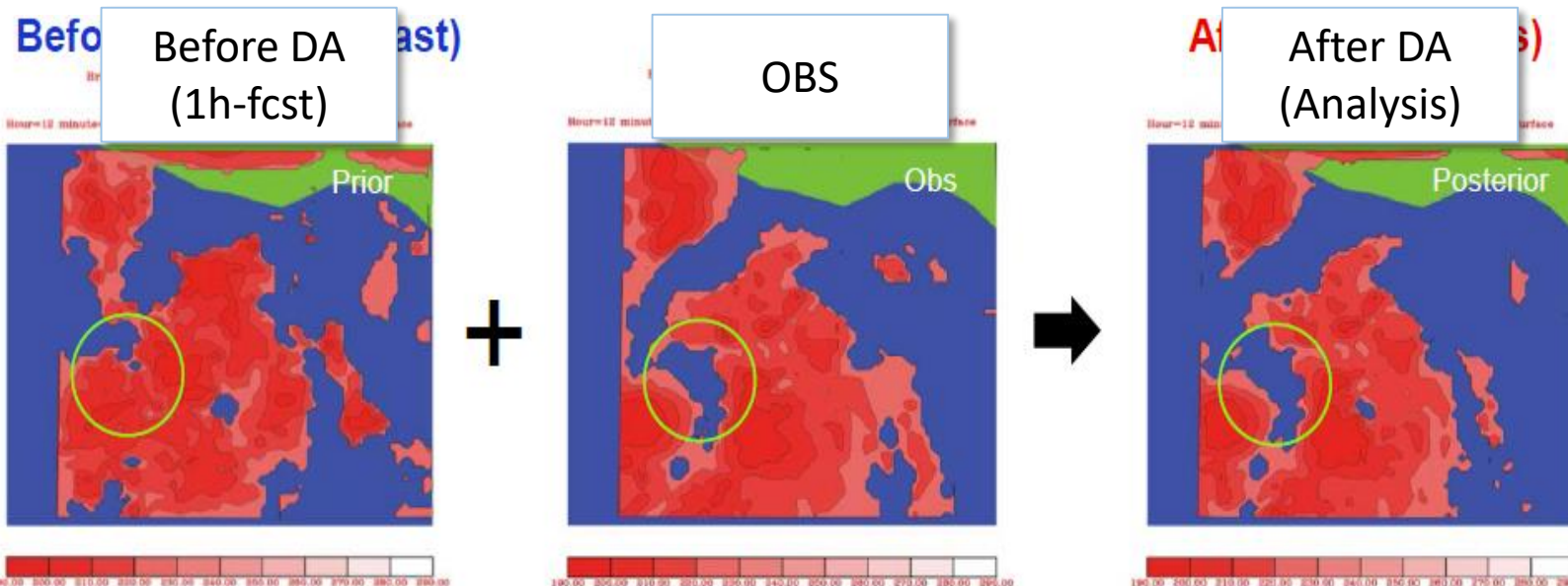
- Testing all-sky IR of geo with COAMPS-TC/EnKF
- Not doing all-sky IR for global and regional system at this point

Development at NRL

Baker et al. 2019, ITSC22

NRL
From N. Baker

- NRL is testing ASR assimilation for TC cases with COAMPS-TC/EnKF in collaboration with scientists from Penn State University
 - the Coupled Ocean/Atmosphere Mesoscale Prediction System for Tropical Cyclones
 - Hourly GOES-13(16) WV band (6.55um) assimilated
 - Obs error model: AOEI (Adaptive Observation Error Inflation)
- Improve initial TC structure, and then TC intensity and track forecasts with the impacts lasting more than 3 days



■ NCEP

- Tested 3 approaches: CCR, SCR, ASR → ASR as extension of all-sky MW
- Assimilating all-sky IASI WV ch shows reduction of O-B/O-A bias for MHS and slight positive/neutral impact
 - ▢ Need reevaluation after significant forecast model changes
- Cloud fraction is concerns because simple 2-stream model is used
 - ▢ Motivate the use of geo rad with smaller FOV size

■ JMA

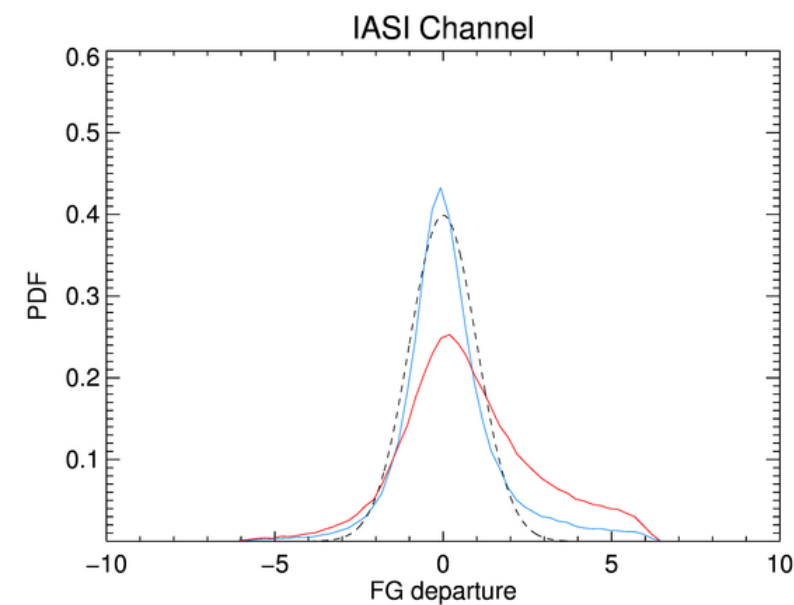
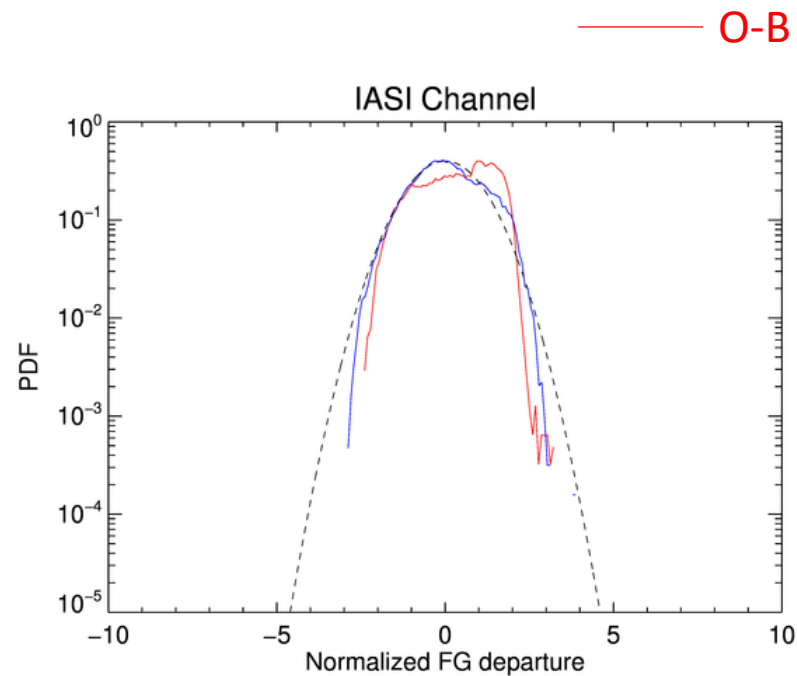
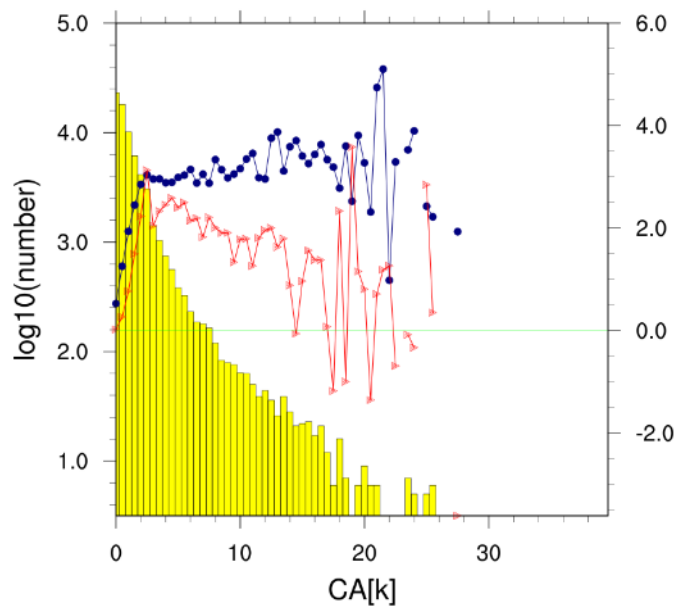
- Developed all-sky assimilation for a Himawari8 WV band and compared impacts with CSR in a research-based regional system with LETKF (Okamoto et al. 2019, QJRMS)
- Developing all-sky assimilation for Himawari8 WV bands in the operational global system with 4D-Var

■ ECMWF

- Developed all-sky assimilation of additional IASI WV ch and compared clear-sky assimilation (Geer et al. 2019 AMT)
- Developed cloud-dependent observation error correlation and found positive impacts from IASI all-sky assimilation (Geer 2019 AMT)

2015052506 – 2015052918 after QC

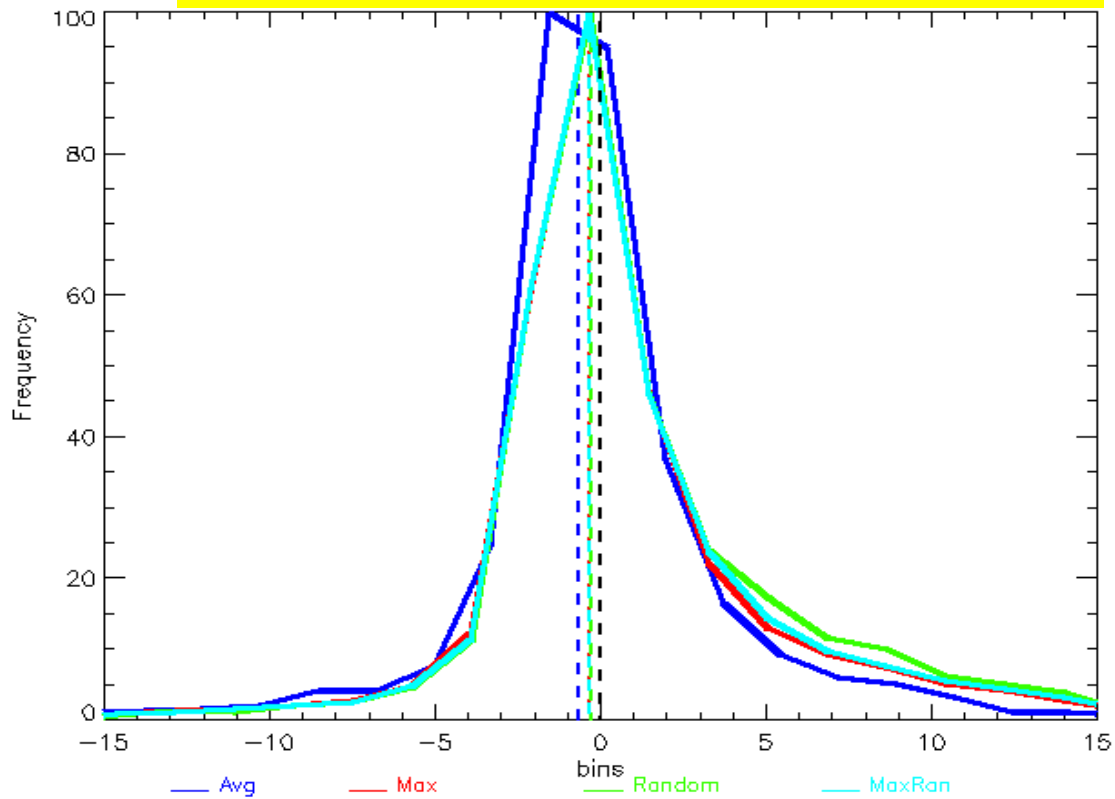
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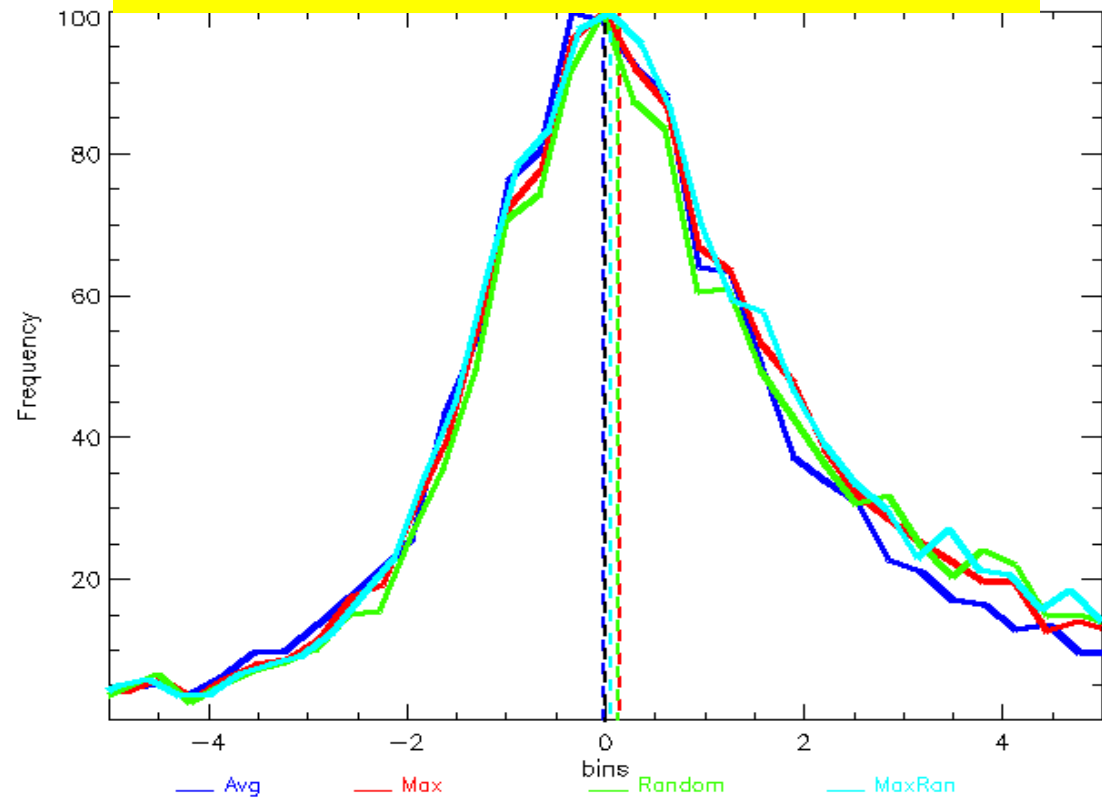
Analysis PDFs response well by including cloud effect and model's cloud fraction



All the points over ocean



All the points over ocean with QC



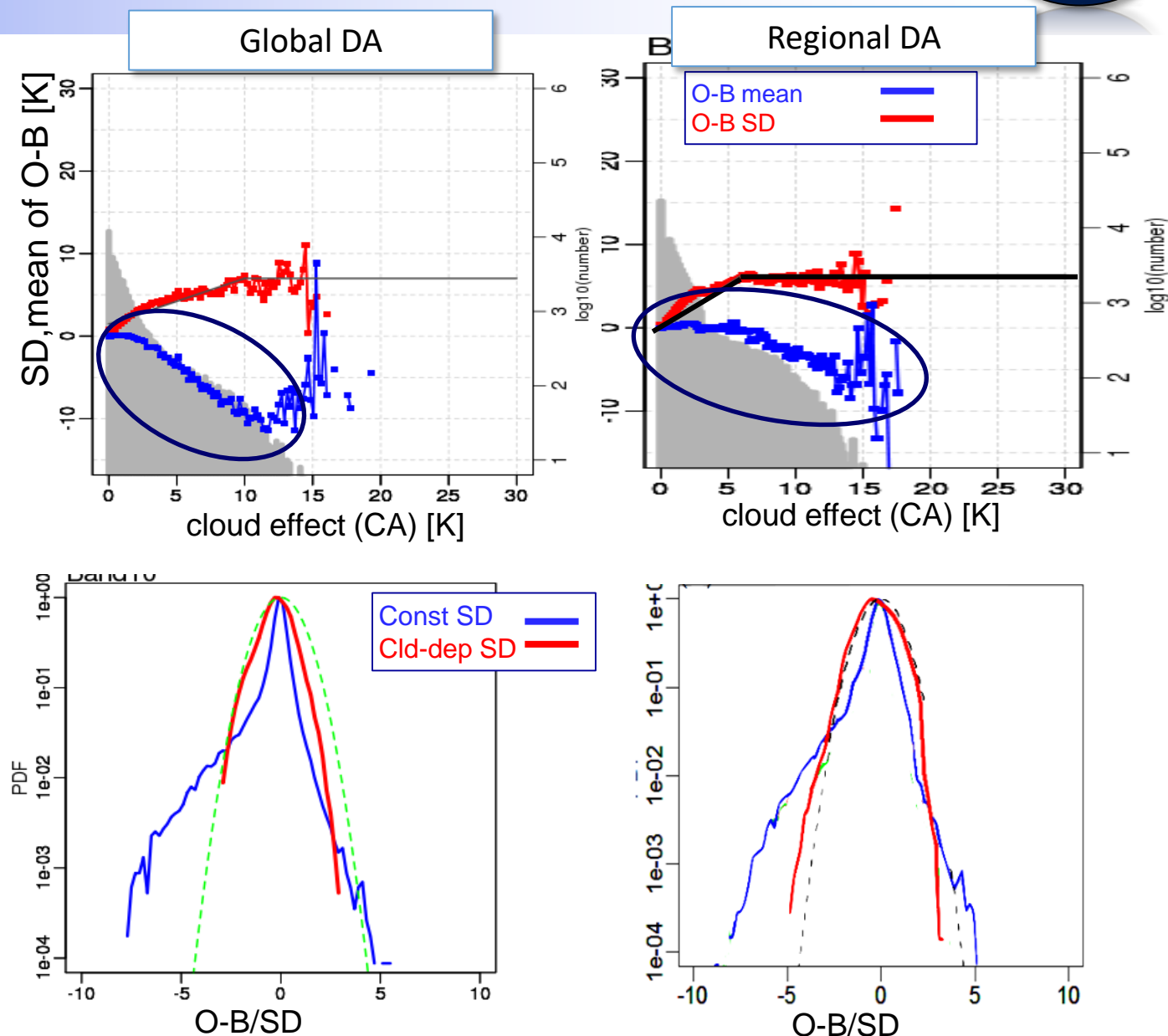
➤ O-B GSI stats (no bias correction) for different overlap assumptions:
Avg: 0.3981826 Max: 0.5500953 Ran: 0.6193535 MaxRan: 0.5777849

Four CRTM cloud cover schemes were tested in this study and the average overlap scheme was selected.

Development at JMA

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- Developed cloud dependent obs error model and QC using cloud effect parameter Ca
 - Okamoto et al. 2014, QJRMS; Okamoto 2017, QJRMS
- The same approach is applied to regional and global DA with adjusted parameters and additional QC
- Bias correction is under evaluation

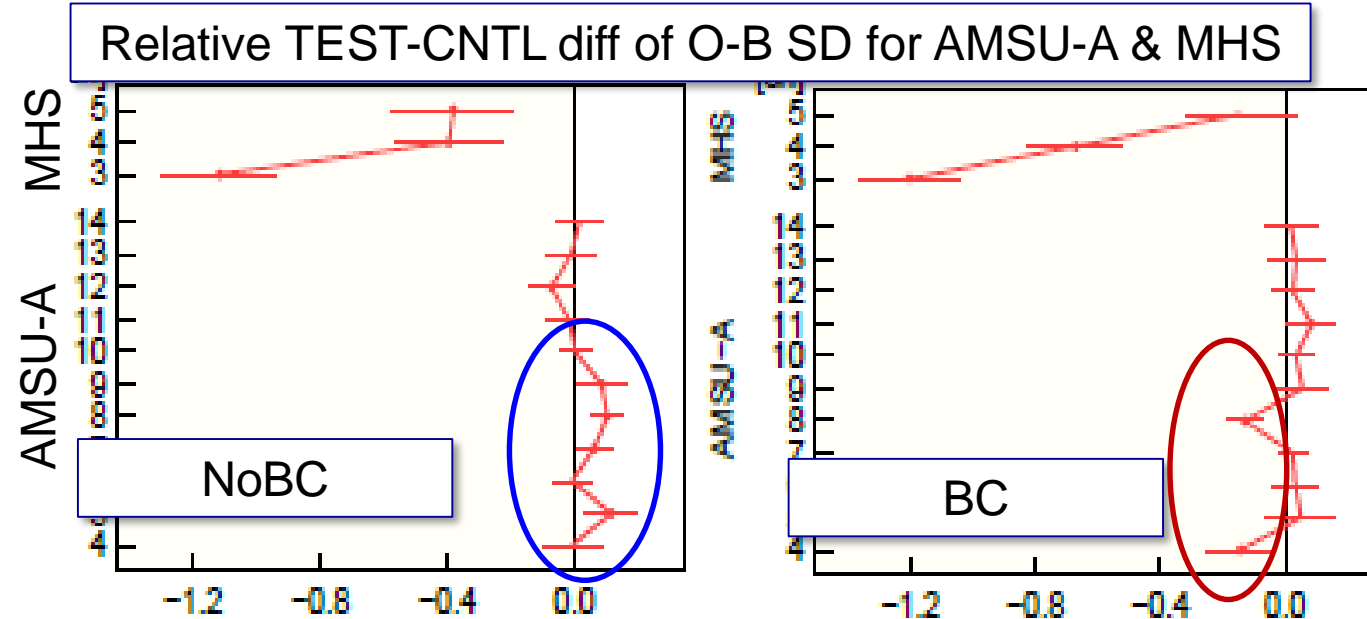
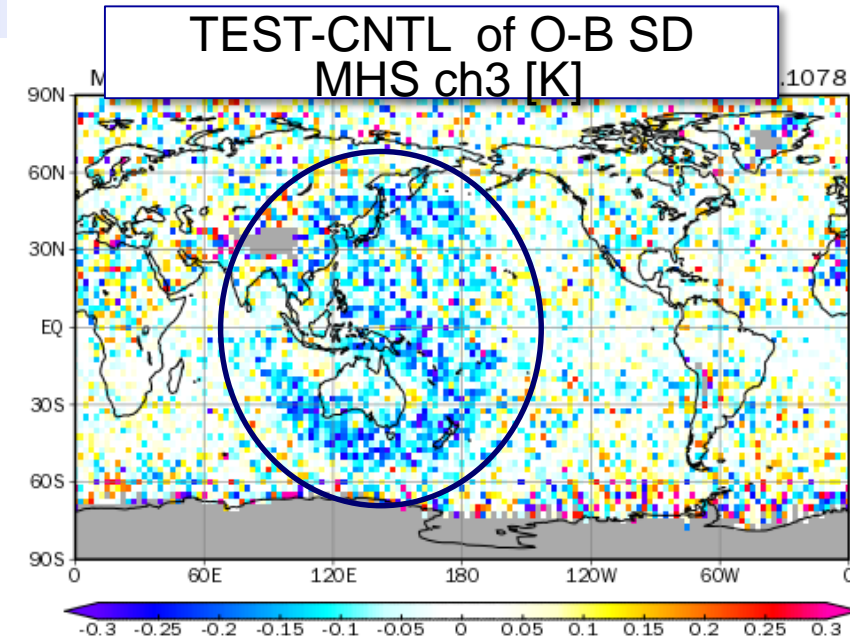


■ ASR assimilation of Himwari8

- 3 WV bands, cloud-dependent obs error (diagonal)
- Reduce dry bias in the mid- & upper troposphere and improve fit to MW WV-sounders
- Improve mid-range forecast of winds
- Degrade fit to AMSU-A T-ch and MW imager 22GHz in the tropics

■ Applying cloud-dependent BC (predictors of Ca , Ca^2 , Ca^3)

- Remove the degradation of fit
- But reduce mid-range forecast improvement

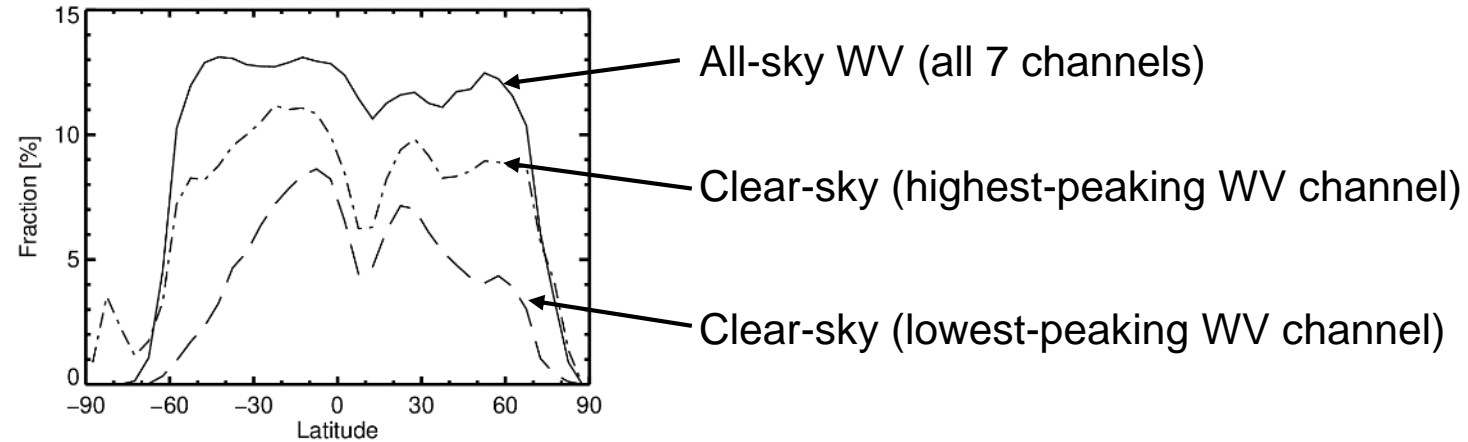


Effects of all-sky assimilation of 7 IASI IR WV channels

ECMWF
From A. Geer

1 – More observations

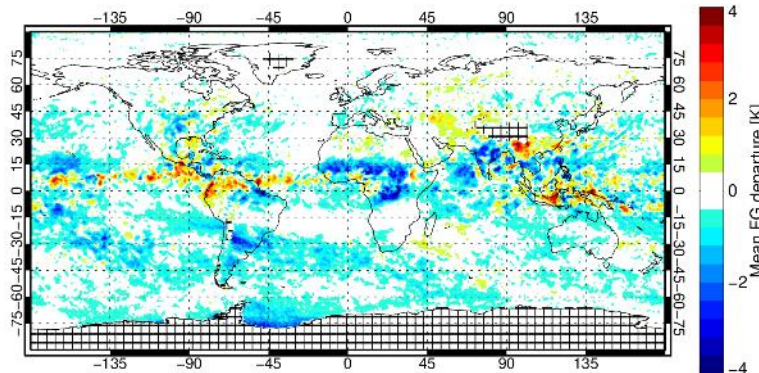
Percentage of all data that was actually assimilated (main loss: spatial thinning)



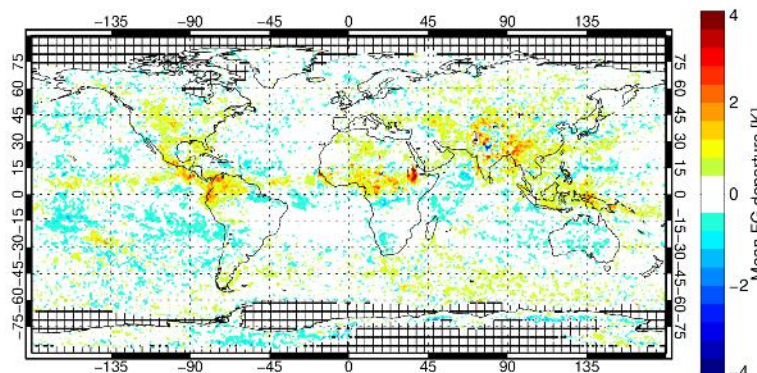
2 – Biases are not much larger than clear-sky, at least in upper channels

Background departures 1-20 June 2017,
channel 3110 (highest-peaking WV channel)

All-sky: all observations (but excluding high orography)



Clear-sky: actively assimilated observations only



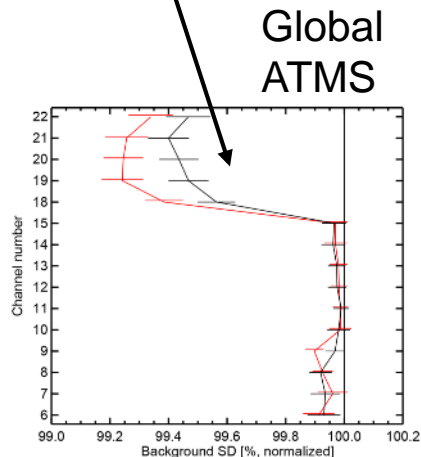
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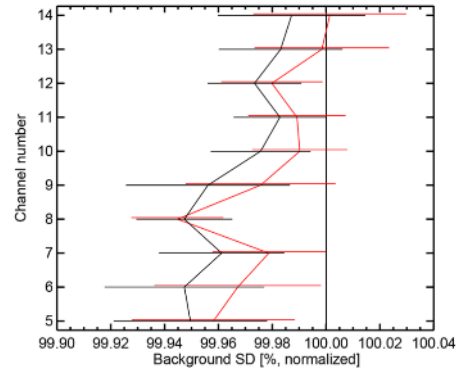
3 – Neutral benefits to forecasts in extratropics, positive benefits in tropics

Impact on
background fits (full
system experiments)

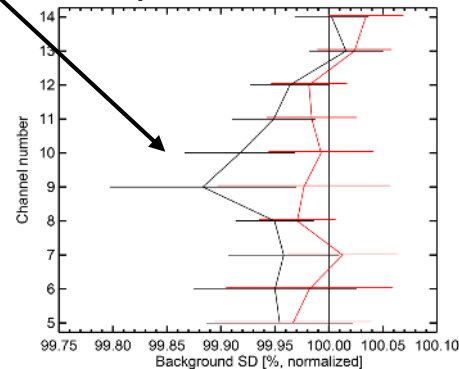
Tropical UTLS
temperatures are
better in all-sky
experiments;
midlatitude WV fits
are slightly worse



Global AMSU-A



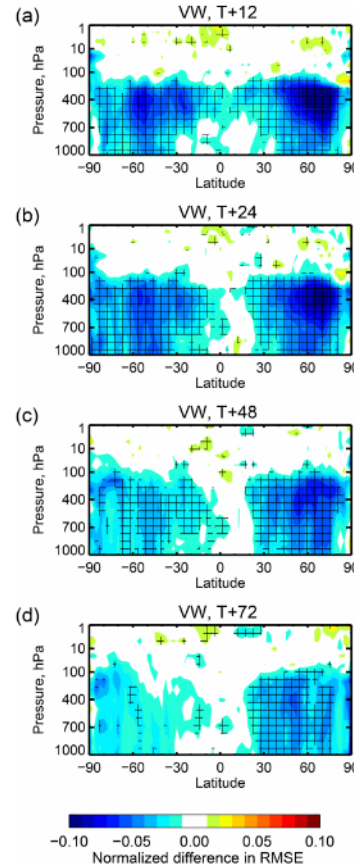
Tropical AMSU-A



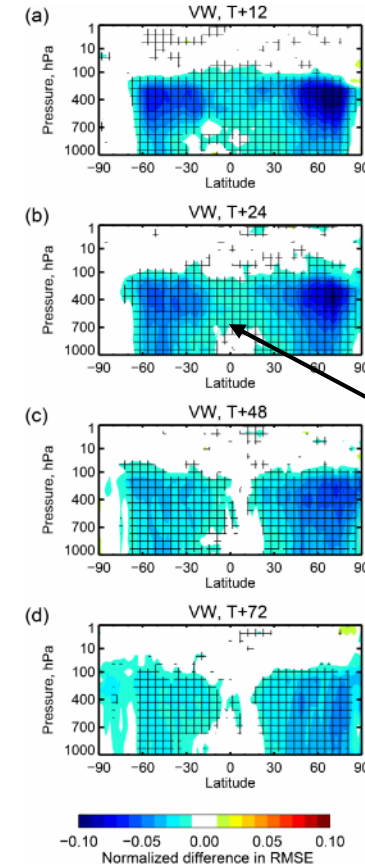
All-sky WV (black)

Clear-sky WV (red)

Clear-sky WV



All-sky WV



Impact on wind
vector forecasts in
the absence of other
observations
(reinitialization
framework)

All-sky improves
over clear-sky
mainly in the tropics

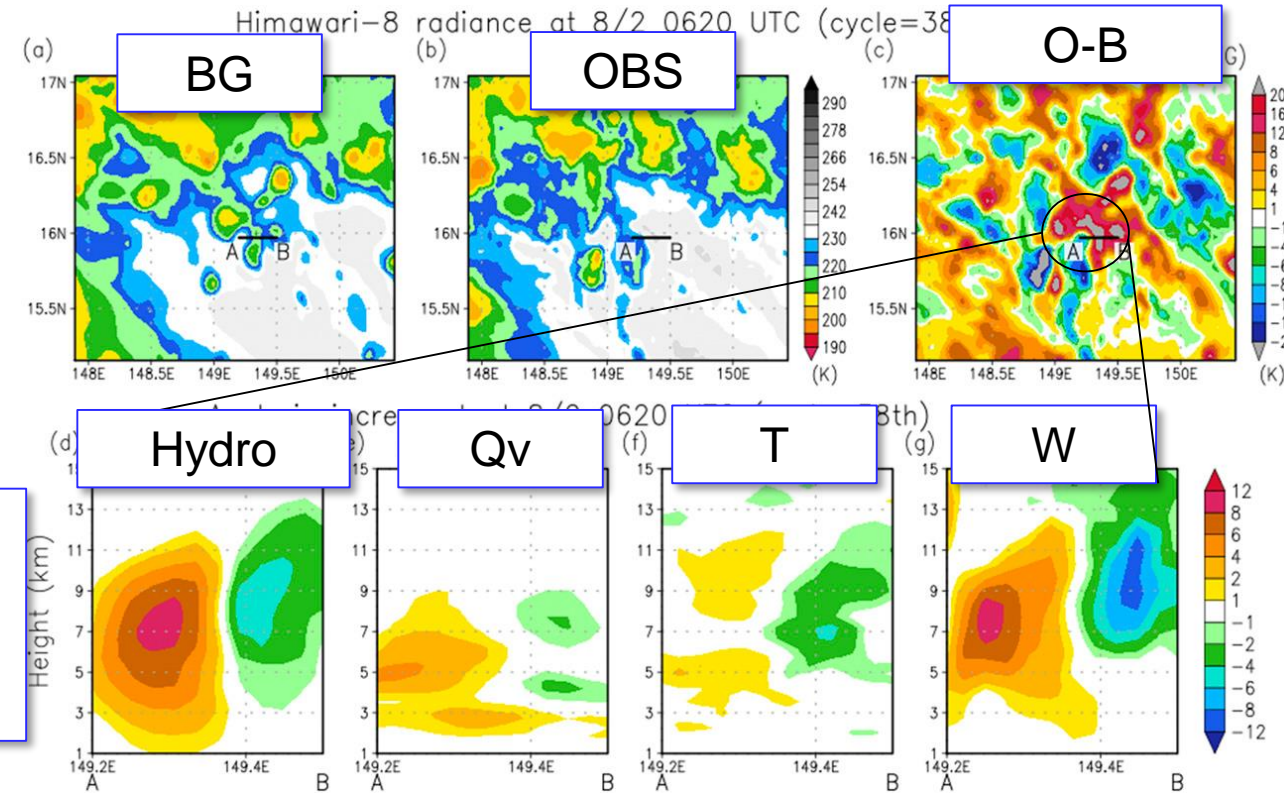
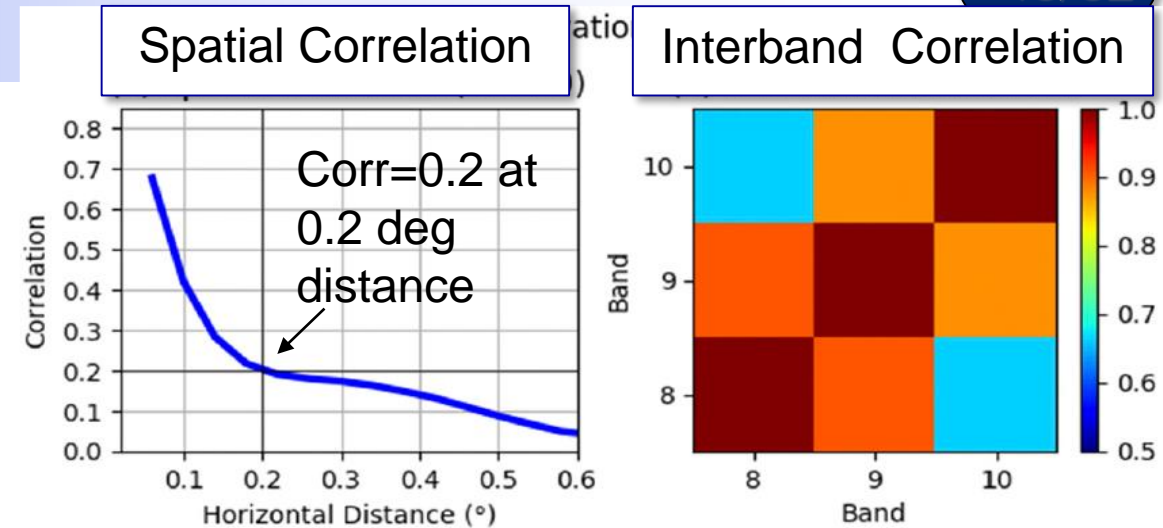
- 1. Assimilation of cloud-affected IR radiances
- 2. Benefit of all-sky IR assimilation
- 3. Challenges of all-sky IR assimilation
- 4. Developments of operational centers
- **5. Recent research progress**
- 6. Concluding remarks

All-sky IR assimilation for geo

Honda et al. 2018, MWR (1/2)

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- Assimilate Himawari8 ASR every 10 min for TC with LETKF
 - Only band9 (avoid including obs error corr)
 - Obs error: 3K for clear-sky or 6K for cloudy
 - No bias correction \leftarrow small O-B
 - Thin to 0.2×0.2 deg \leftarrow small spatial corr
- Modify different variables not only around the cloud top but also lower levels
 - Through correlation resulted from model convective process

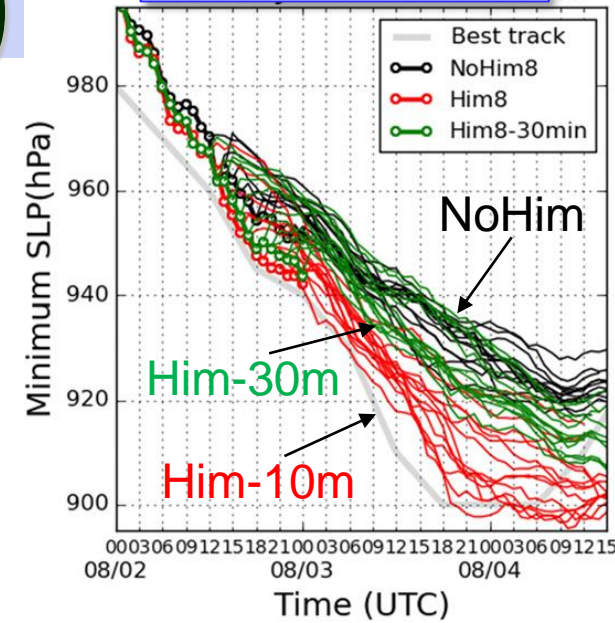


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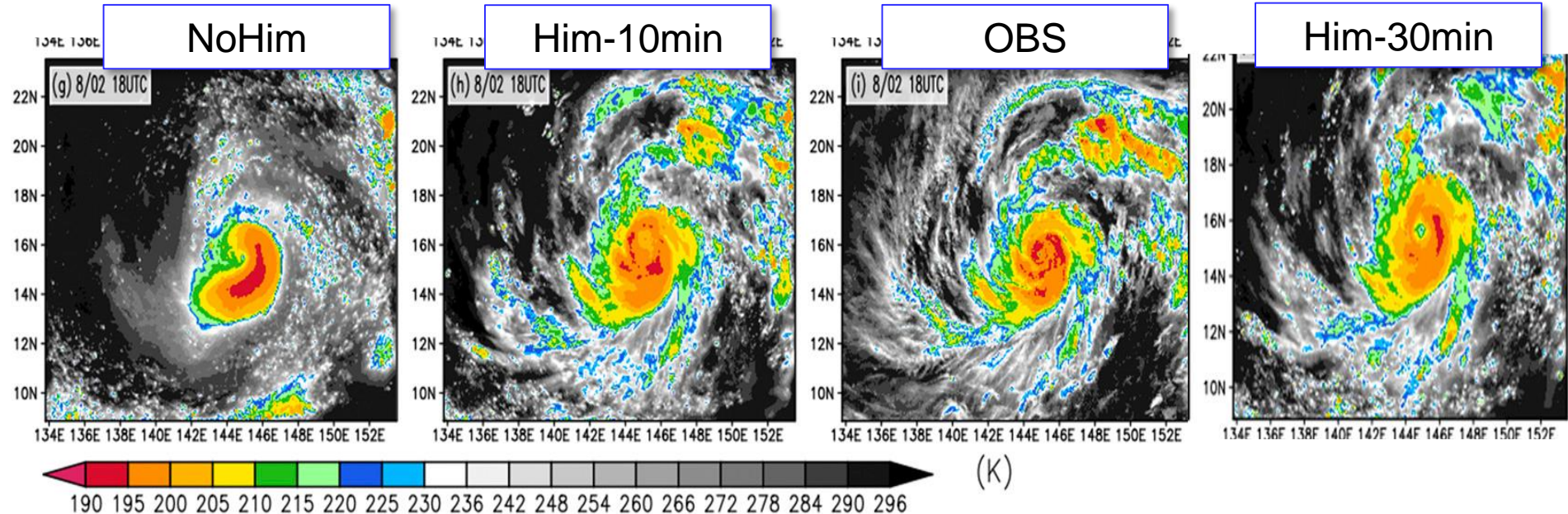
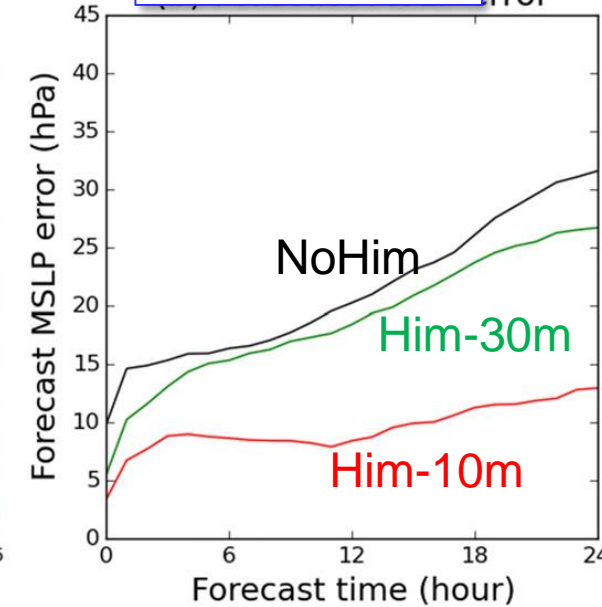
Honda et al. 2018, MWR (2/2)

- Better reproduce radiances and hydrometeor distribution
- Better analyze TC structure
 - Upper-lev warm core, contracted eye, inner-core moisture
- Improve rapid intensification forecast
- Greater benefit from 10-min obs than 30-min obs

Analysis & Forecast MSLP



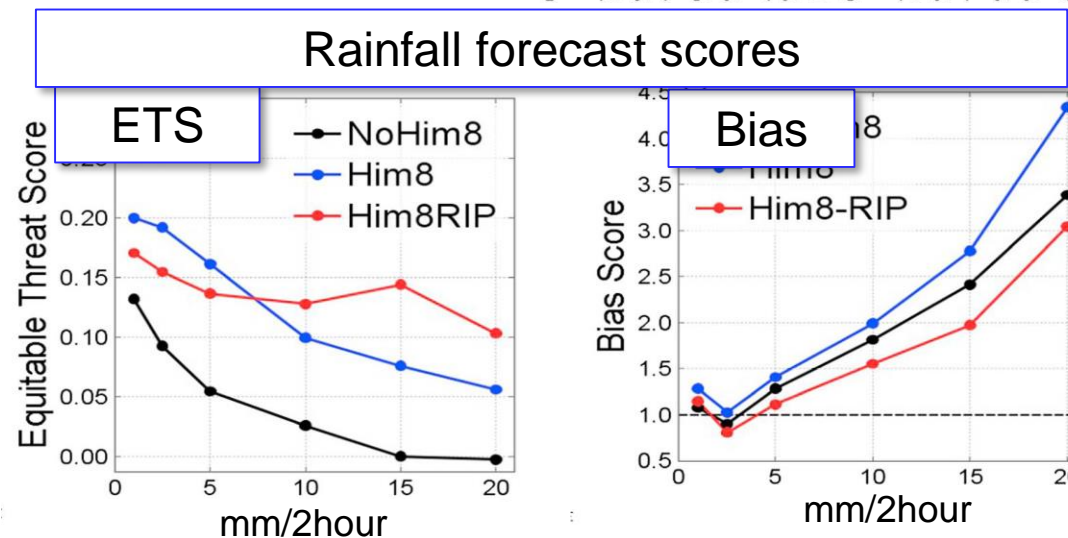
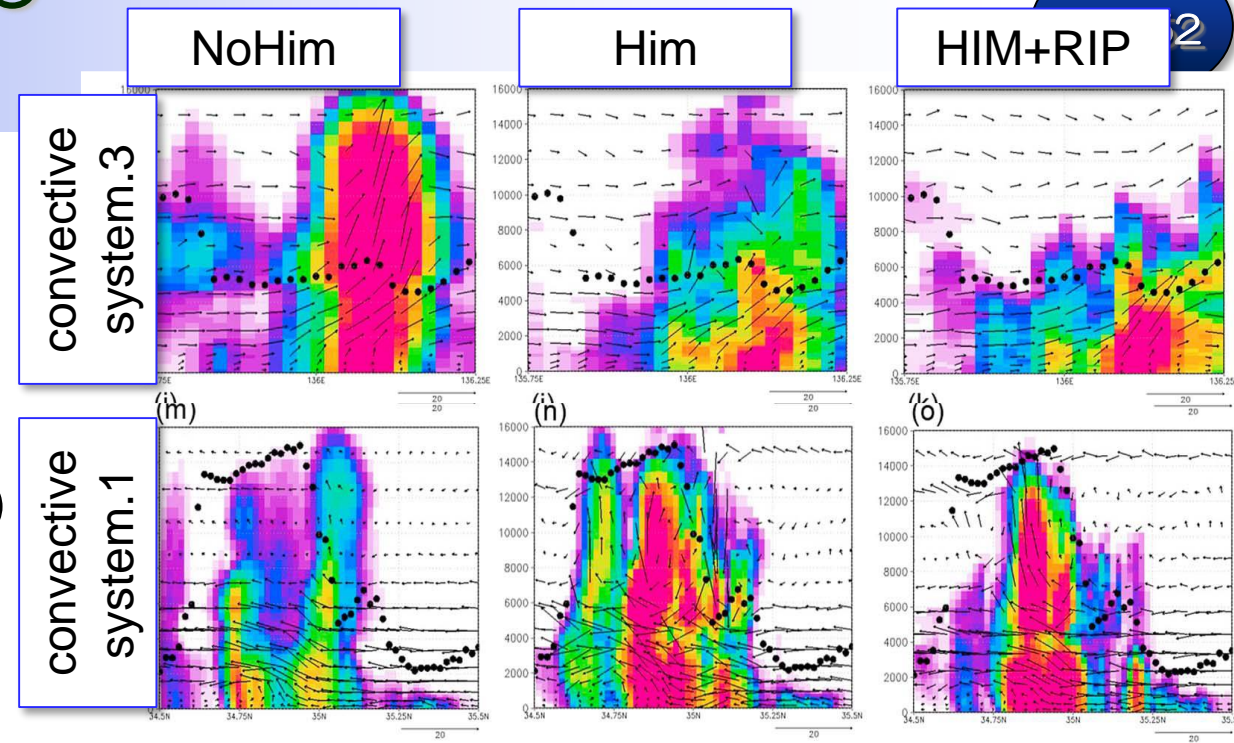
Forecast MSLP error



All-sky IR assimilation for geo

Sawada et al. 2019, JGR

- 10min Himawari8 ASR assimilation with LETKF for unorganized convective cells
 - Band 8 ($6.2\mu\text{m}$) and 10 ($7.3\mu\text{m}$), but not considering obs error corr
 - Obs error: 5 & 7 K (inflate Desroziers' estimate)
 - No BC
- Employ RIP to better handle nonlinear dynamics and shorten spin-up time
 - Running-in-place (Kalnay & Yang 2010, QJRMS)
- Improves analysis and forecasts of the unorganized systems and rainfall
- Smaller spatially thinning distance (every other ~5km) is crucial to capture the small-scale convective structures even if obs error correlation is not explicitly treated



All-sky IR assimilation for geo

Minamide & Zhang 2018, MWR

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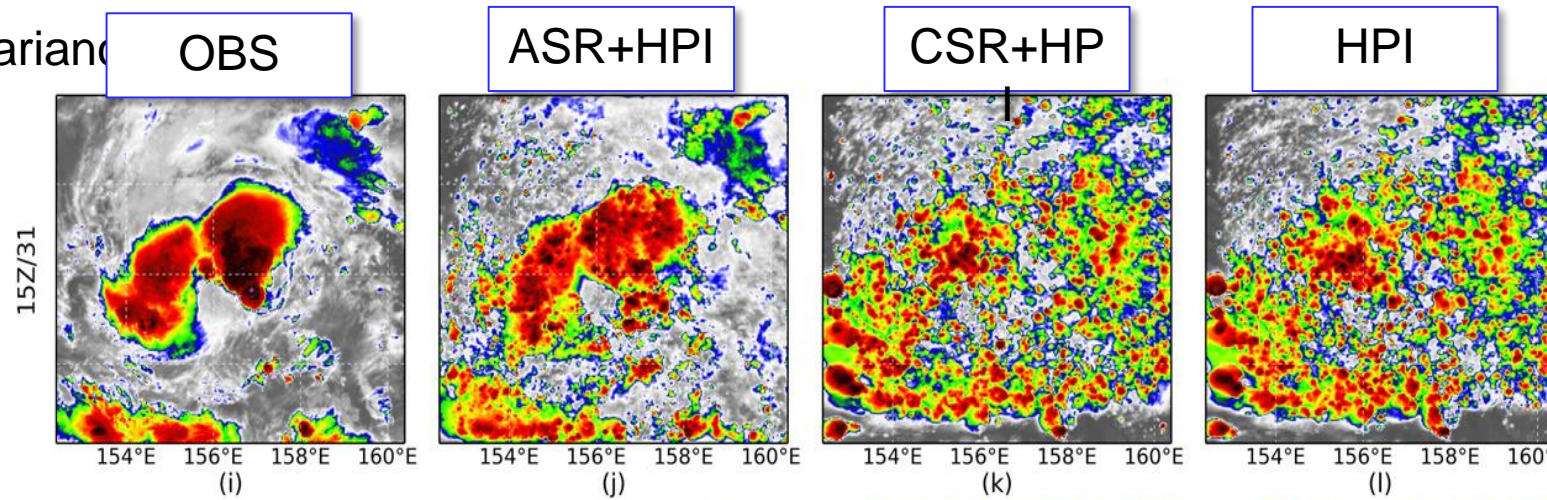
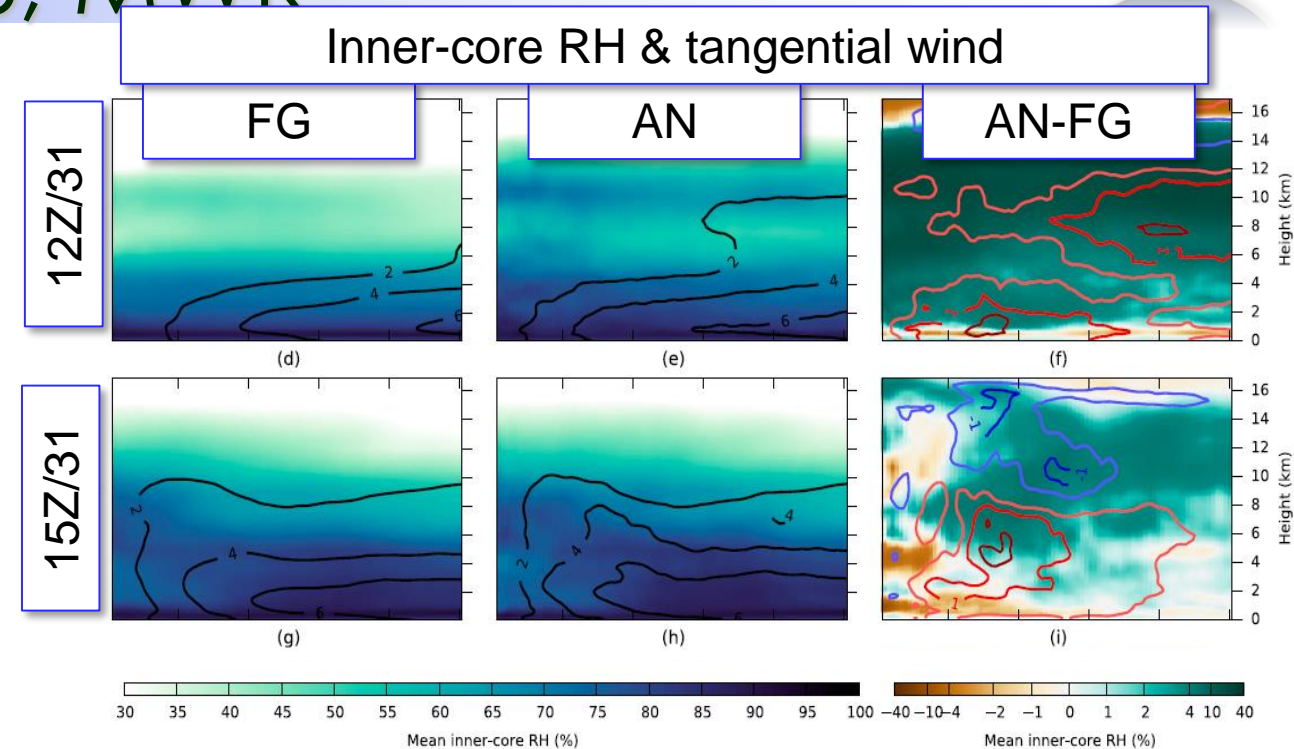
Hourly Himawari8 ASR assimilation for TC with LETKF

- WV band8 (6.2 μm), Thinning 12km
- Obs error model using ensemble spread
 - AOEI (Adaptive Obs Error Inflation; Minamide & Zhan, 2017; MWR)

Results: ASR assimilation

- Better constrains not only temperature and moisture, but also TC vortex even inside the inner core
 - Through flow-dep ens-based covariance
- Successfully predicts rapid intensification

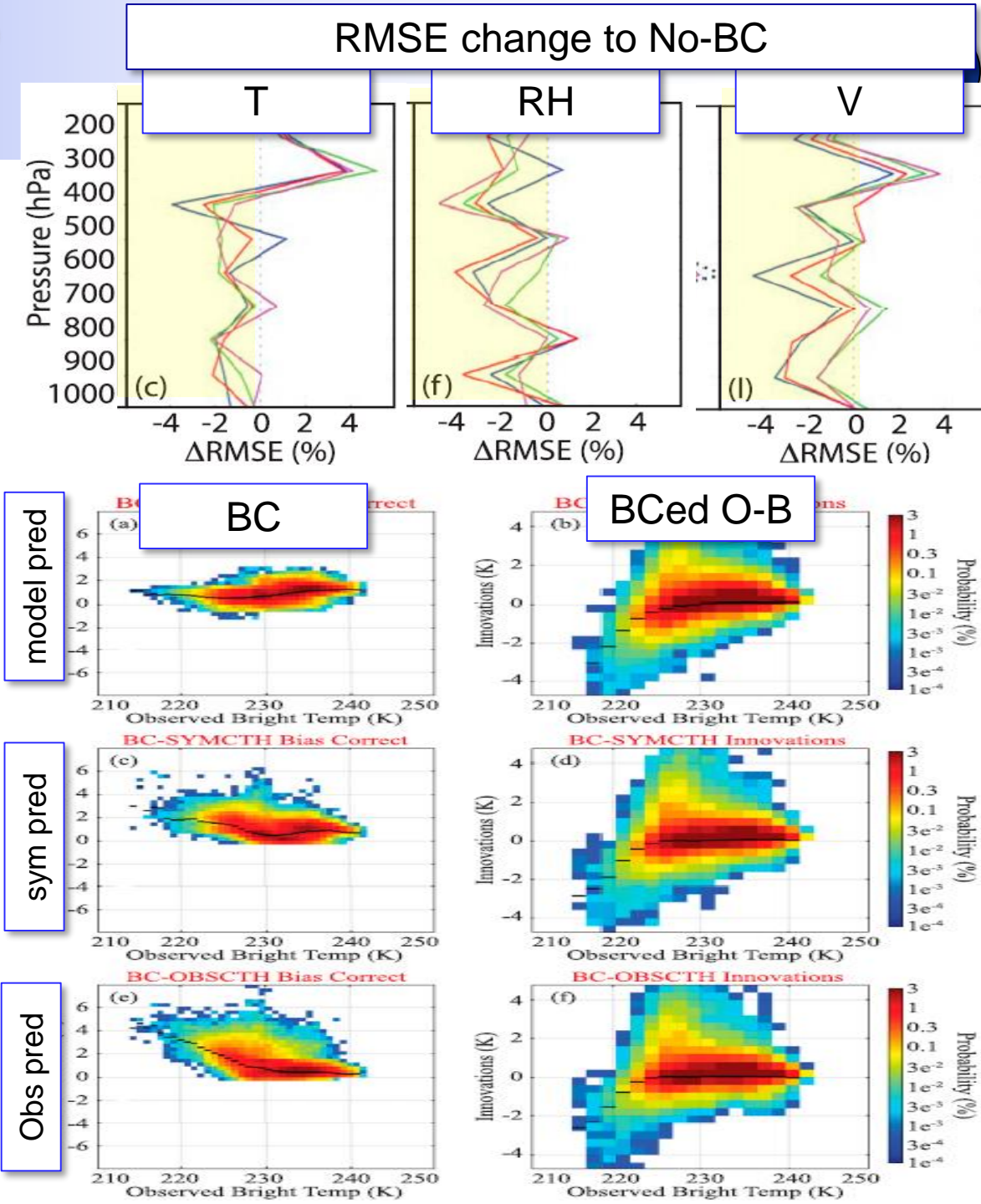
CSR assimilation is not enough to improve TC structure



All-sky IR assimilation for geo

Otkin & Potthast 2019, MWR

- Examine bias correction (BC) effect on BT and RAOB fit
 - MSG 6.2 μ m band, obs error: 4K
 - Hourly update cycle with KENDA for 3 days
 - Longer range forecasts is to be verified
- BC employs linear and nonlinear predictors
 - Observed BT or cloud-top-height are recommended as predictors
- Assimilating ASR with BC improves the fit
 - BC remove -ve bias in low BT
 - No-BC improves BT fit but worsens RAOB fit especially for RH
- Symmetric (or model-based) parameter may not be an effective BC predictor

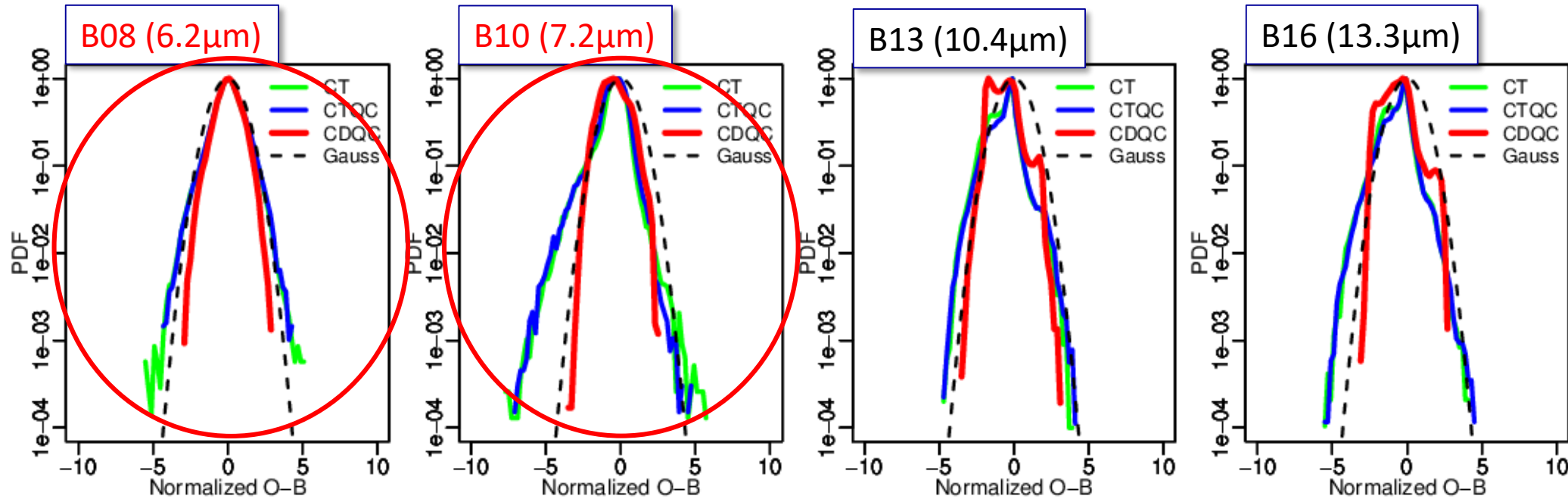


6. Concluding Remarks

- All-sky IR assimilation has been recently significantly progressed
 - But no operational assimilation has started yet, probably because operational centers prioritize all-sky MW
 - Many published researches demonstrate benefit of all-sky IR, especially from geo satellite obs with wide coverage and frequent availability
- Additional benefits to clear-sky IR and all-sky MW should be gained if
 - The challenges discussed here are (partially) addressed
 - Computational cost is allowed
 - Model bias is well handled (by improving moist process, correcting bias, keeping away from biased regions,,,))

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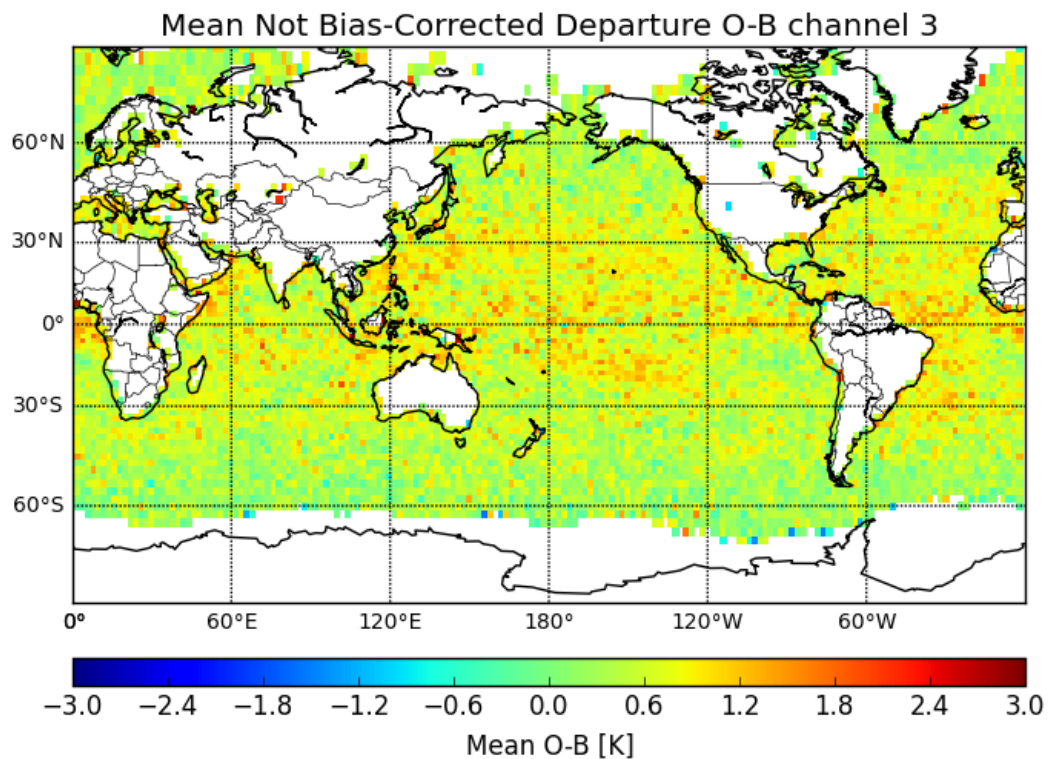
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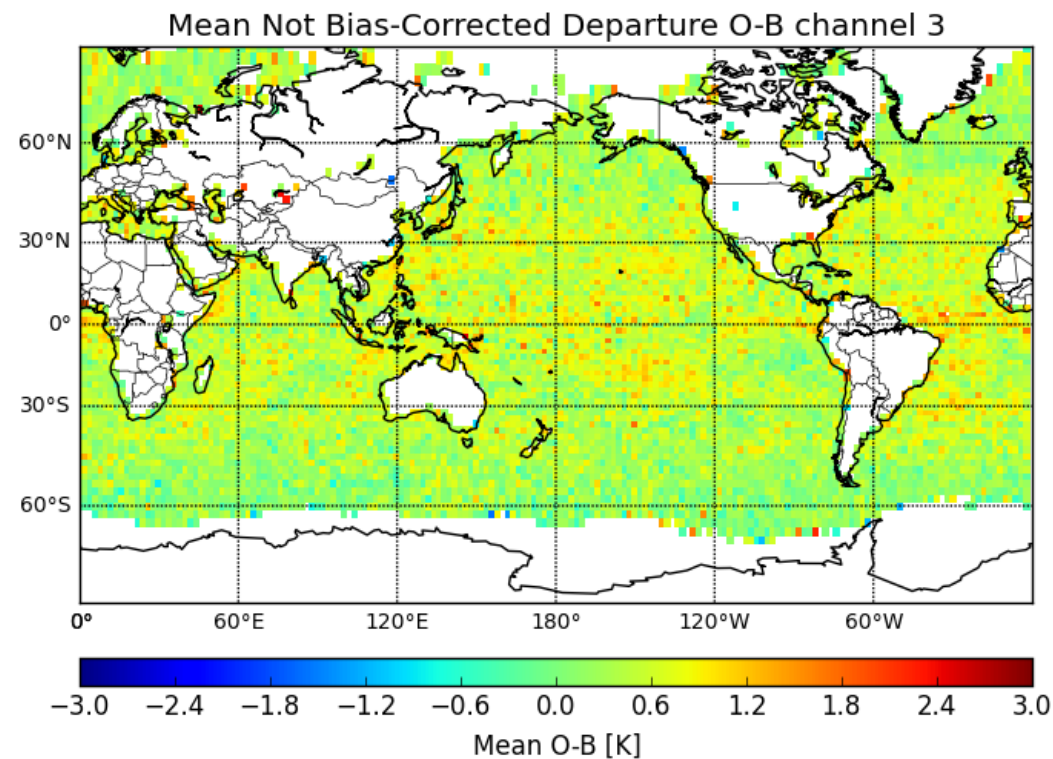
- O-B normalized with cloud-dependent O-B SD after QC in different case (Jan 2016)
- WV-sensitive bands show Gaussianity
- Non-gaussian for window band (B13) and low tropospheric T band (B16)
 - Gaussianity is dependent on scene (cloud) for low tropospheric T band

MHS channel 3 unbiased corrected mean O-B for control and experiment

Clear sky IASI experiment???



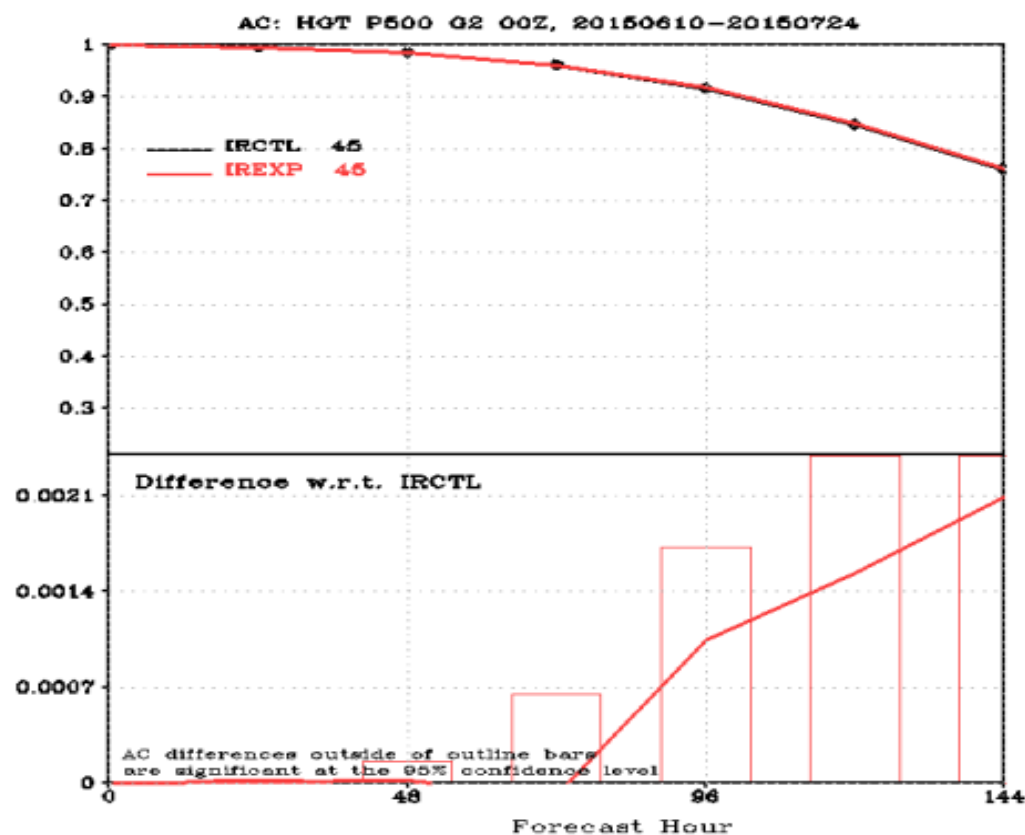
All sky IASI experiment



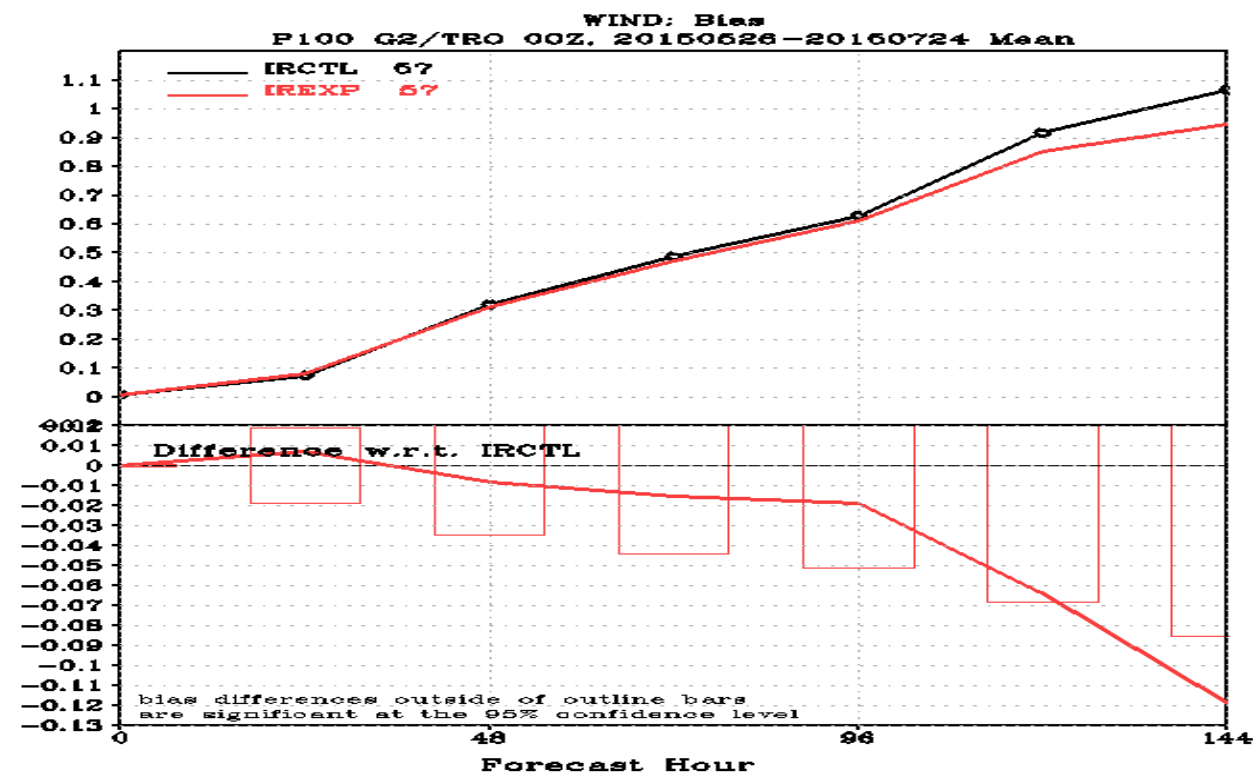
IASI All-sky radiances assimilation reduced the bias of other satellite instrument.

Results from parallel experiment : 2015052500-2015072400

500Z Anomaly Correlation



Wind Bias



Assimilating IASI water vapor sensitive channels in all-sky condition show slight positive/neutral impact.

Development at JMA: impact on regional DA

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- Compare assimilation of ASR and CSR of Himwari8/AHI WV band with LETKF
 - 3h rainfall at 24 h fcst, initialized at 00 UTC 9 Sep
- CNTL (no rad) and CSR assimilation predict the heavy rainfall shifted to the west at this analysis
- ASR assimilation brings more stable improvement due to better spatial and temporal availability

