

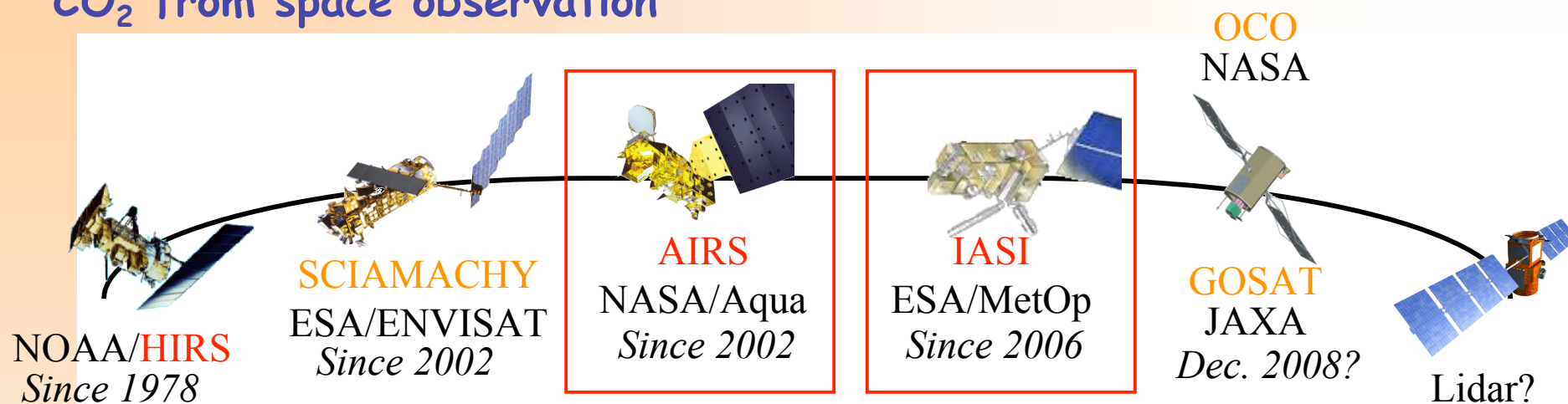
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Midtropospheric CO₂ Concentration
Retrieval in the Tropical Zone from
MetOp IASI/AMSU Observations

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CO₂ from space observation

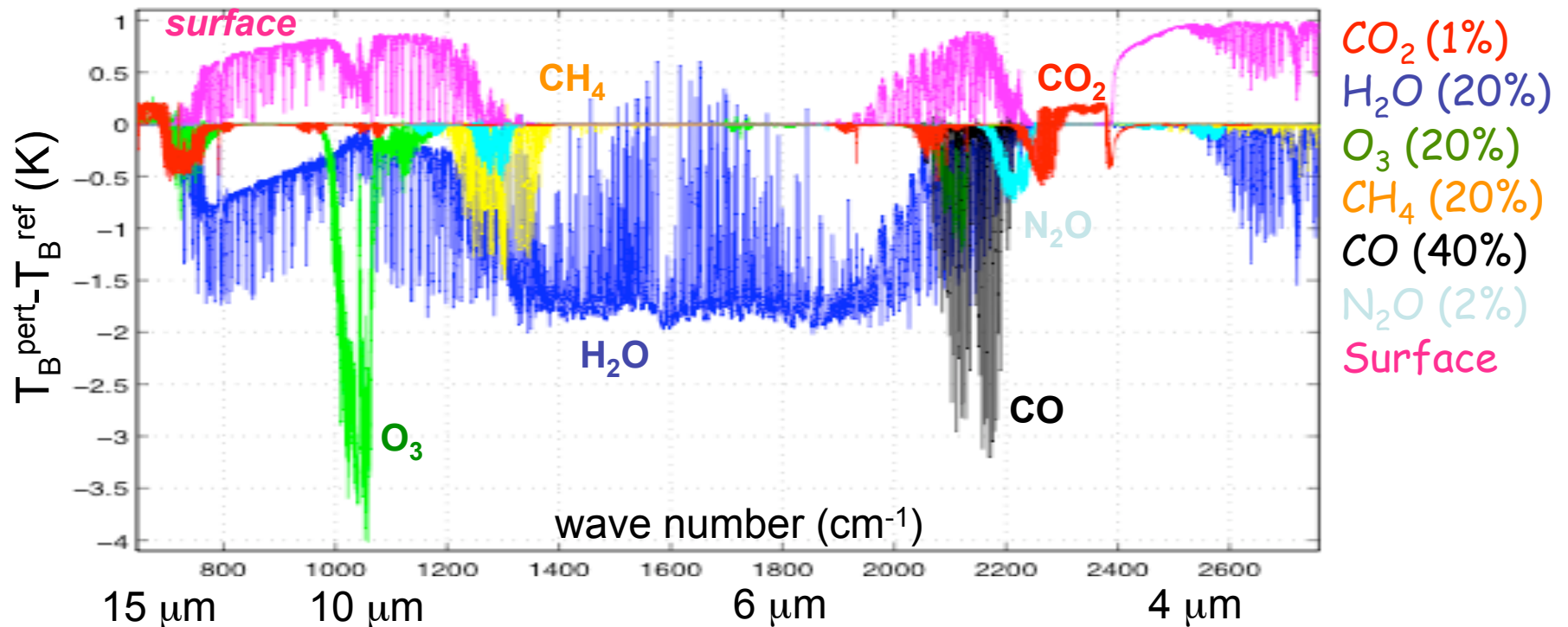


| | Aqua/ AIRS | MetOp/ IASI |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Date of launch | May 2002 | Oct. 2006 |
| Spectral coverage | 3 IR bands | IR Continuous |
| Spectral resolution | 0.5 - 2 cm ⁻¹ | 0.5 cm ⁻¹ (apodized) |
| # IR channels | 2378 | 8461 |
| Local time | 1.30 | 9.30 |

Also onboard Aqua and MetOp: **AMSU-A** with 15 MW channels

CO₂ channel selection - IASI

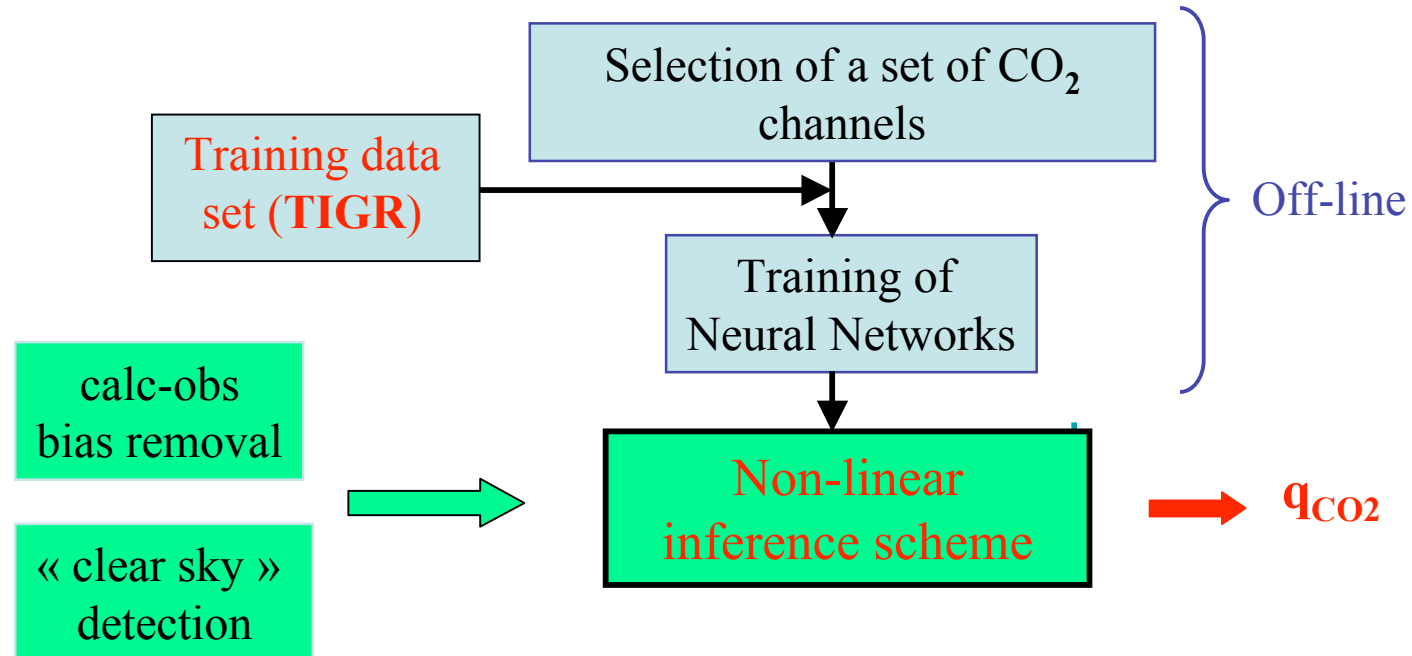
Sensitivity of IASI T_B to variations of atmospheric and surface variables (simulations with the 4A RT model)



- 0.1 % of CO₂ variation \rightarrow 0.04% of T_B variation
- At LMD: 421 IASI channels have been selected.

A stand-alone approach

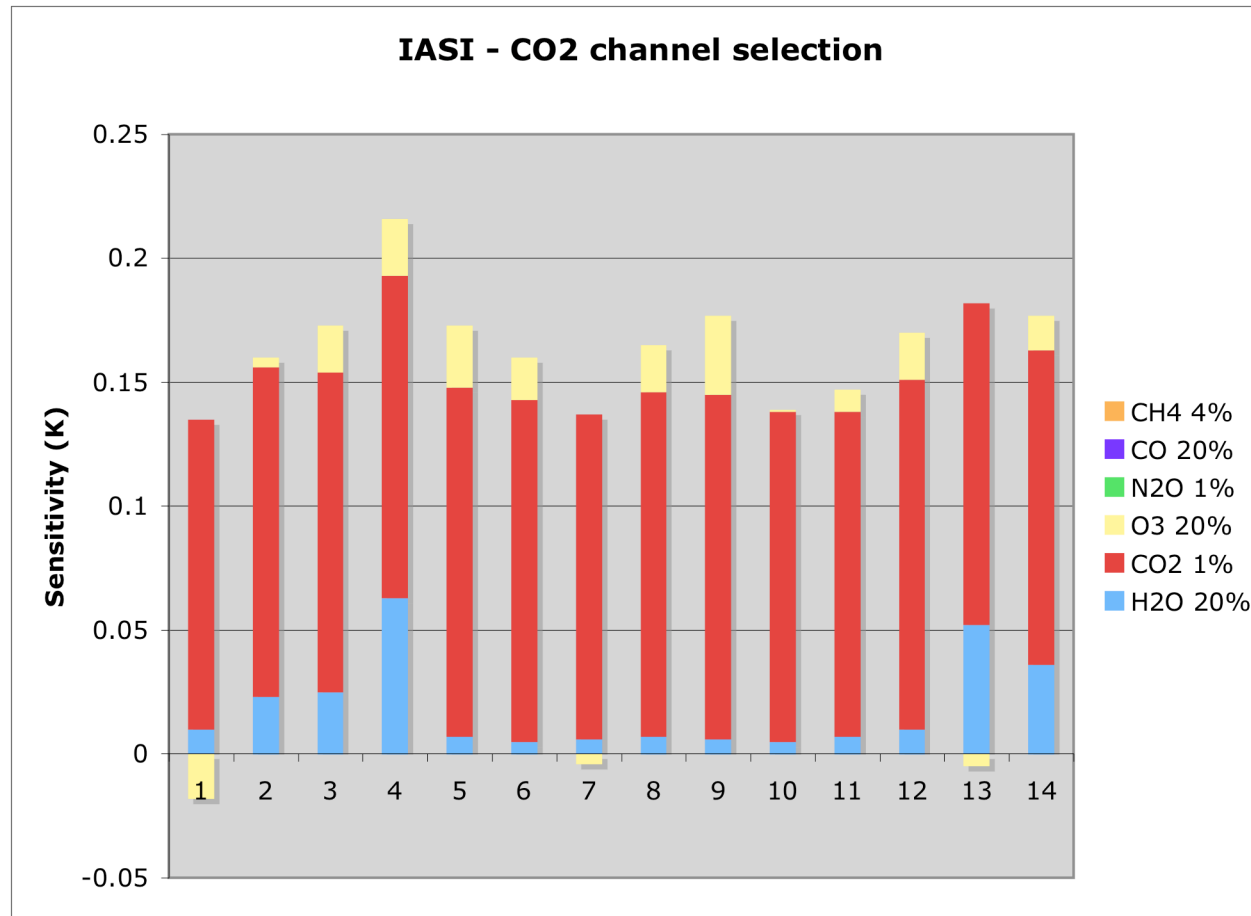
General features of the CO₂ retrieval scheme : non-linear regressions



- Simultaneous use of **IR** and **MW** channels to decorrelate T/CO₂.
IASI **AMSU**
- Retrieval limited to the tropical region.

[Chédin et al., JGR, 2003; Crevoisier et al., GRL, 2004]

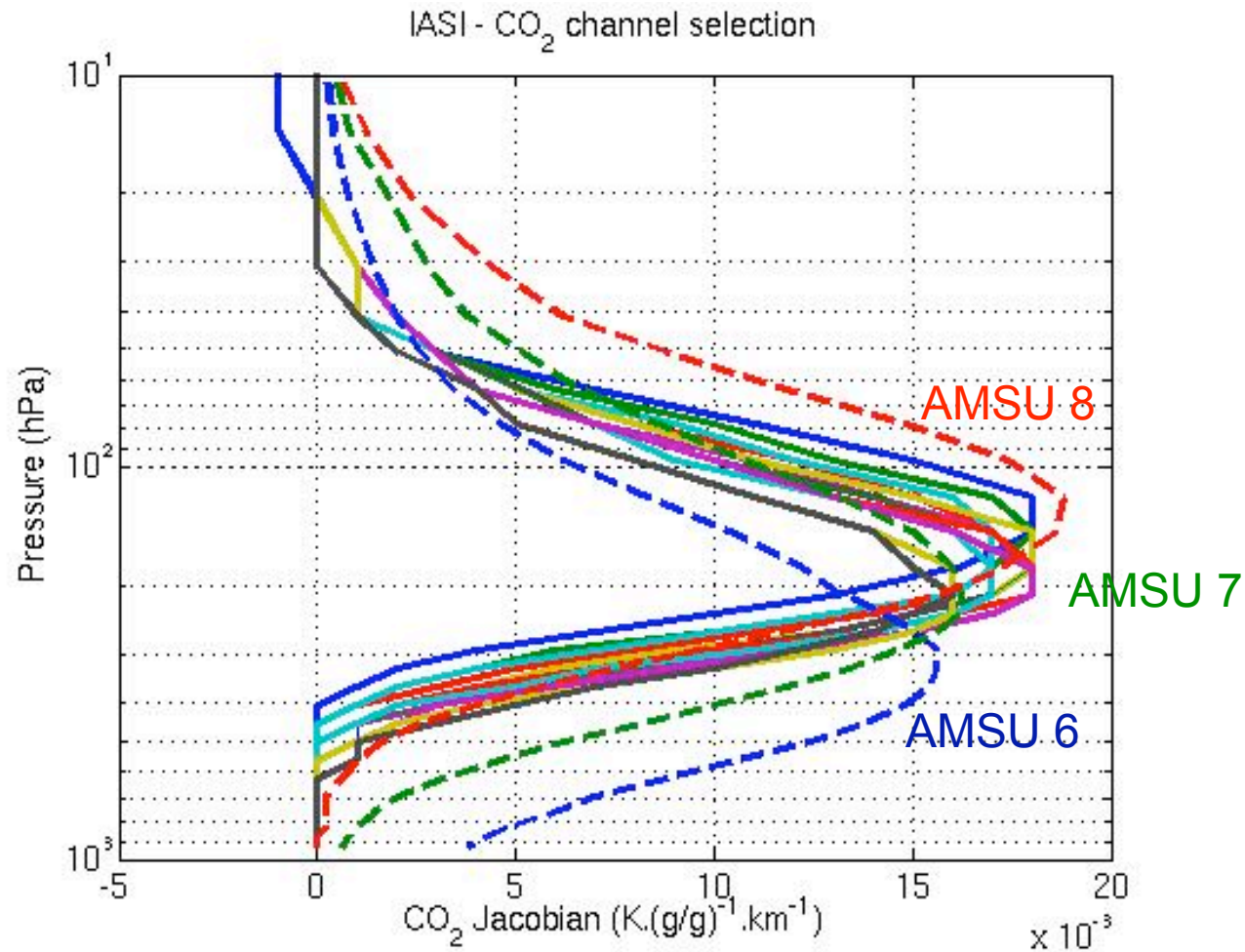
CO₂ channel selection - IASI



- 14 channels have been selected for CO₂.
- All are located in the LW band (high noise in the SW band).

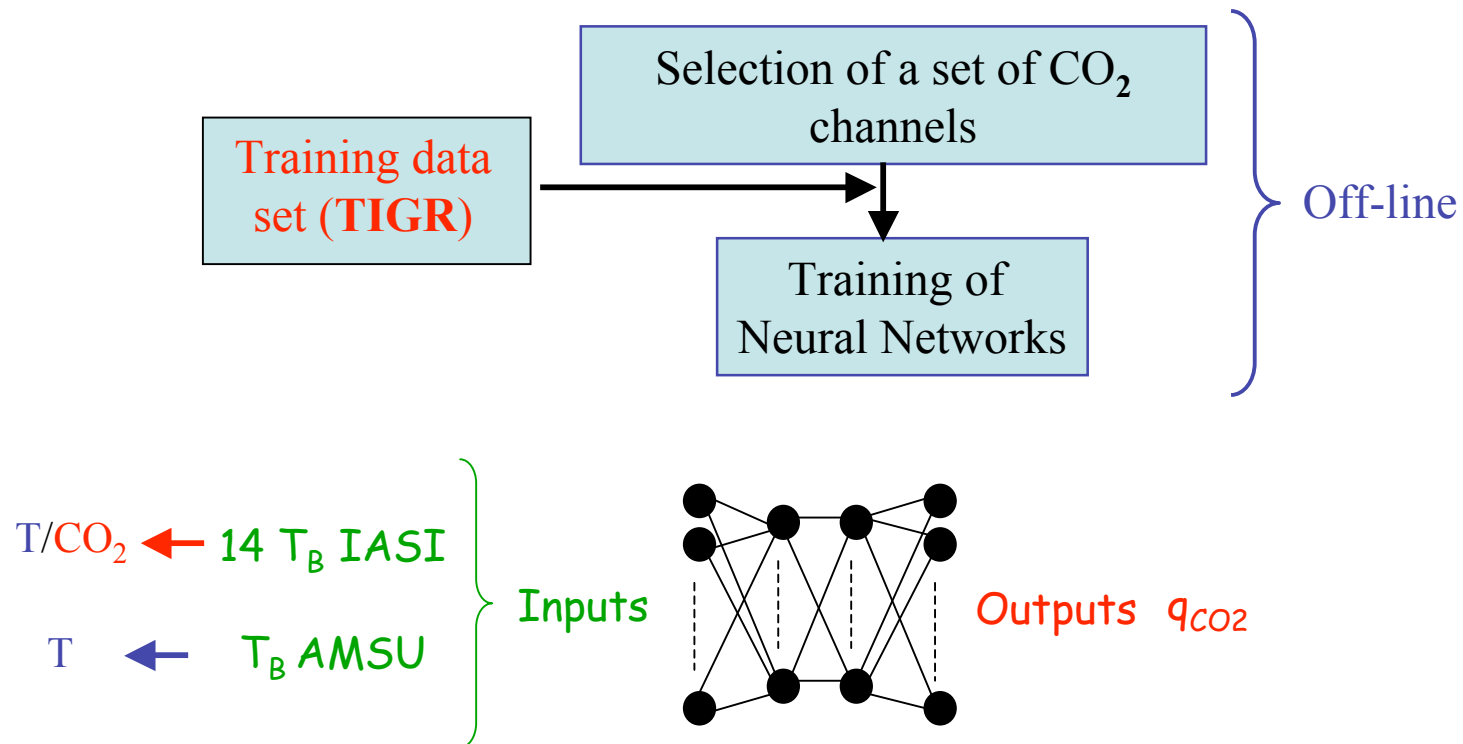
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CO₂ Jacobians of the selected IASI channels
and AMSU weighting functions



Training of the networks

Neural networks are trained using the set of selected channels.

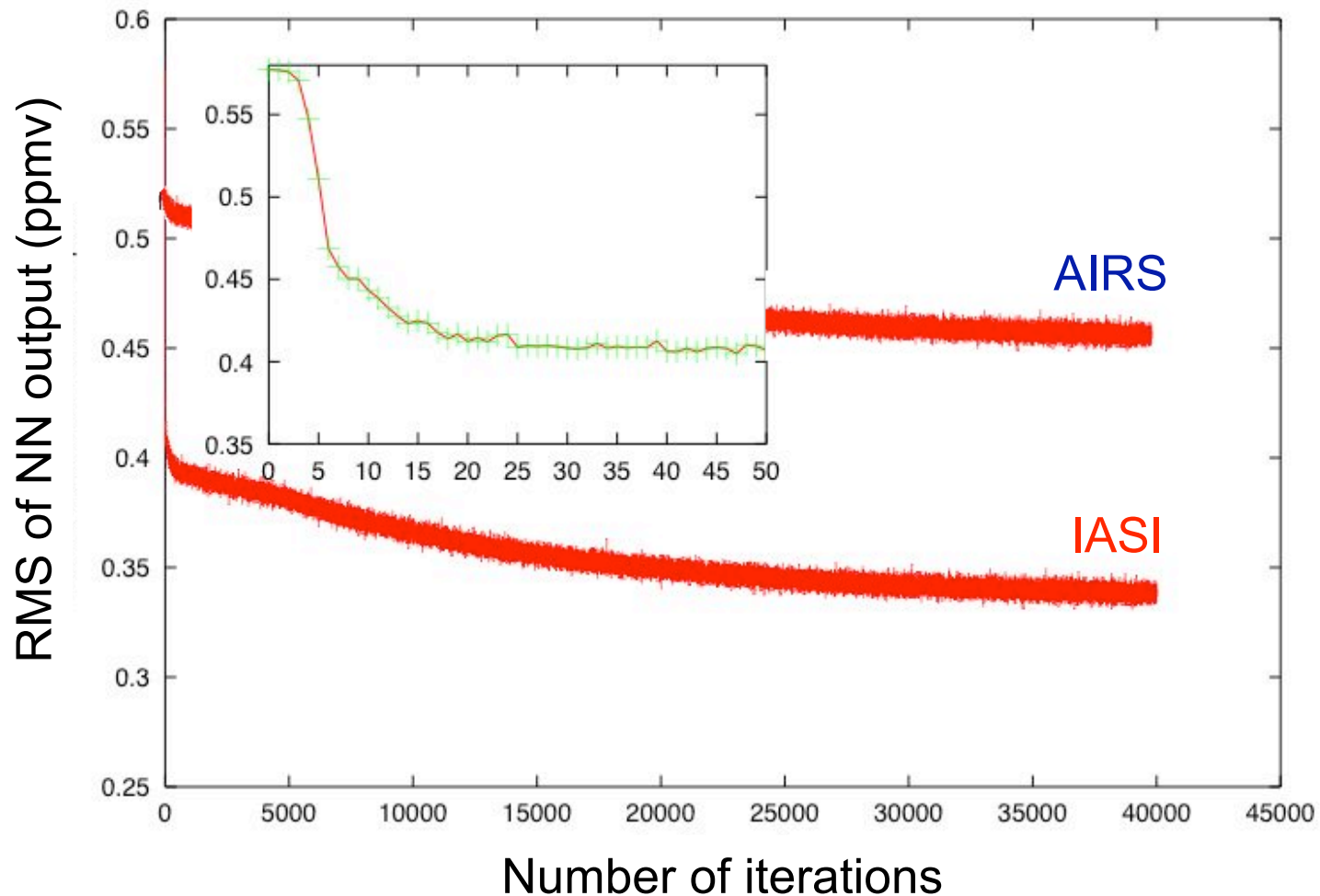


- *Learning data set:* tropical atmospheric situations from the TIGR dataset (821 atmospheres out of 6000); BT simulated by the 4A RT model.
- *Training for 10 AMSU angles of view.*

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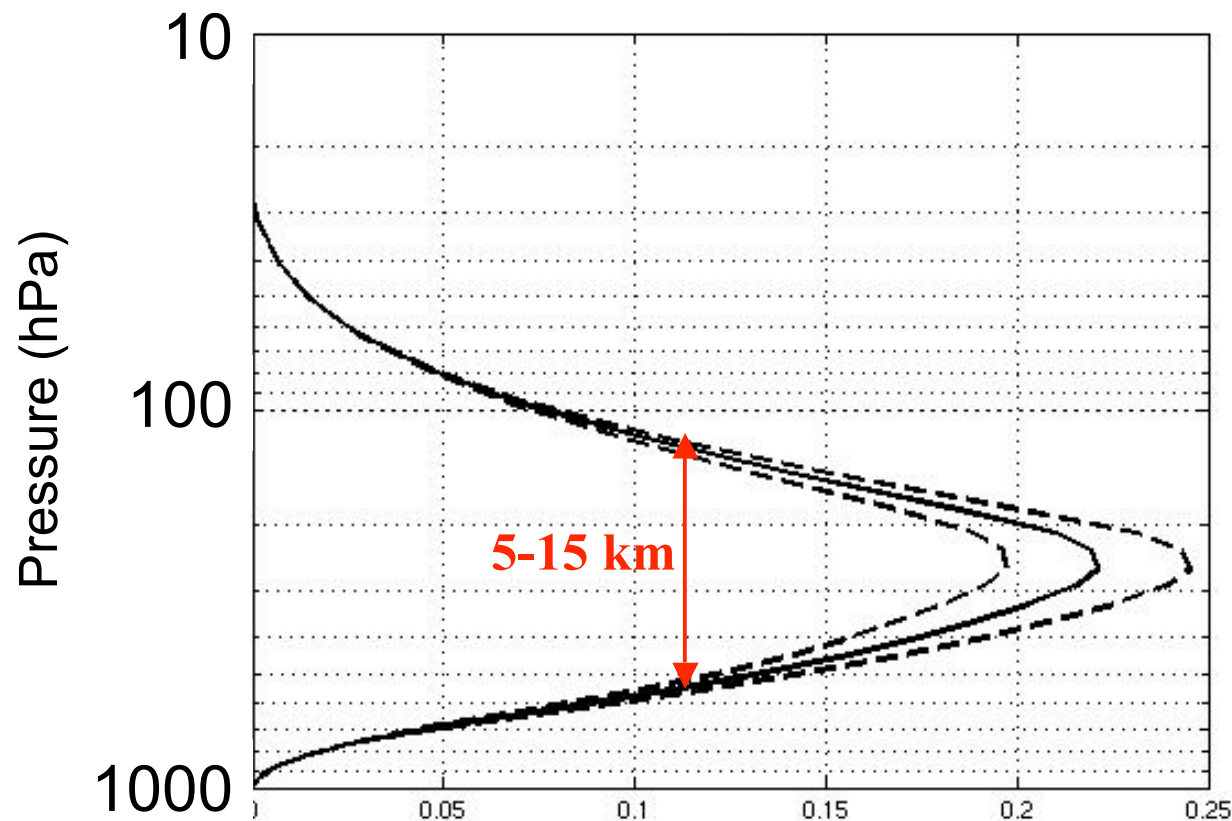
➡ Evolution of the rms of the CO_2 output during training



Evaluation of the inference scheme characteristics

We retrieve a **mid-to-upper tropospheric integrated content** of CO_2 .

Mean \pm standard deviation of CO_2 weighting function over TIGR atmospheric dataset for nadir observation



Cloud mask

- Thin cirrus, low clouds and aerosols may contaminate observations.

➡ Need to detect **clear column**.

- Use of **HIRS4-AMSU** observations.

- Differences HIRS/AMSU-A

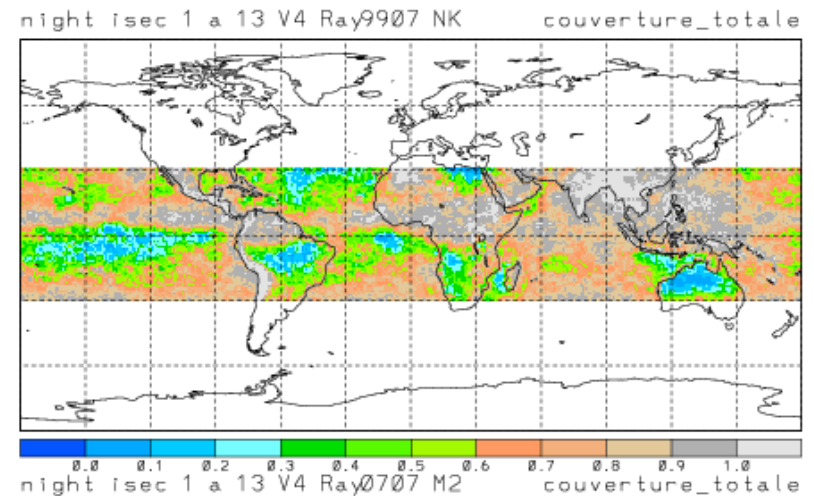
- Differences HIRS/HIRS (low clouds)

- Spatial resolution = HIRS
(mapping of AMSU-A in HIRS
FOVS using AAPP)

➡ Use of IASI/AMSU-A: in progress

➡ Comparison of various detections in progress: HIRS4/AMSU-A, IASI/AMSU-A, AVHRR, AIRS/AMSU.

July 1999 NOAA-15



July 2007 Metop

Radiative Bias

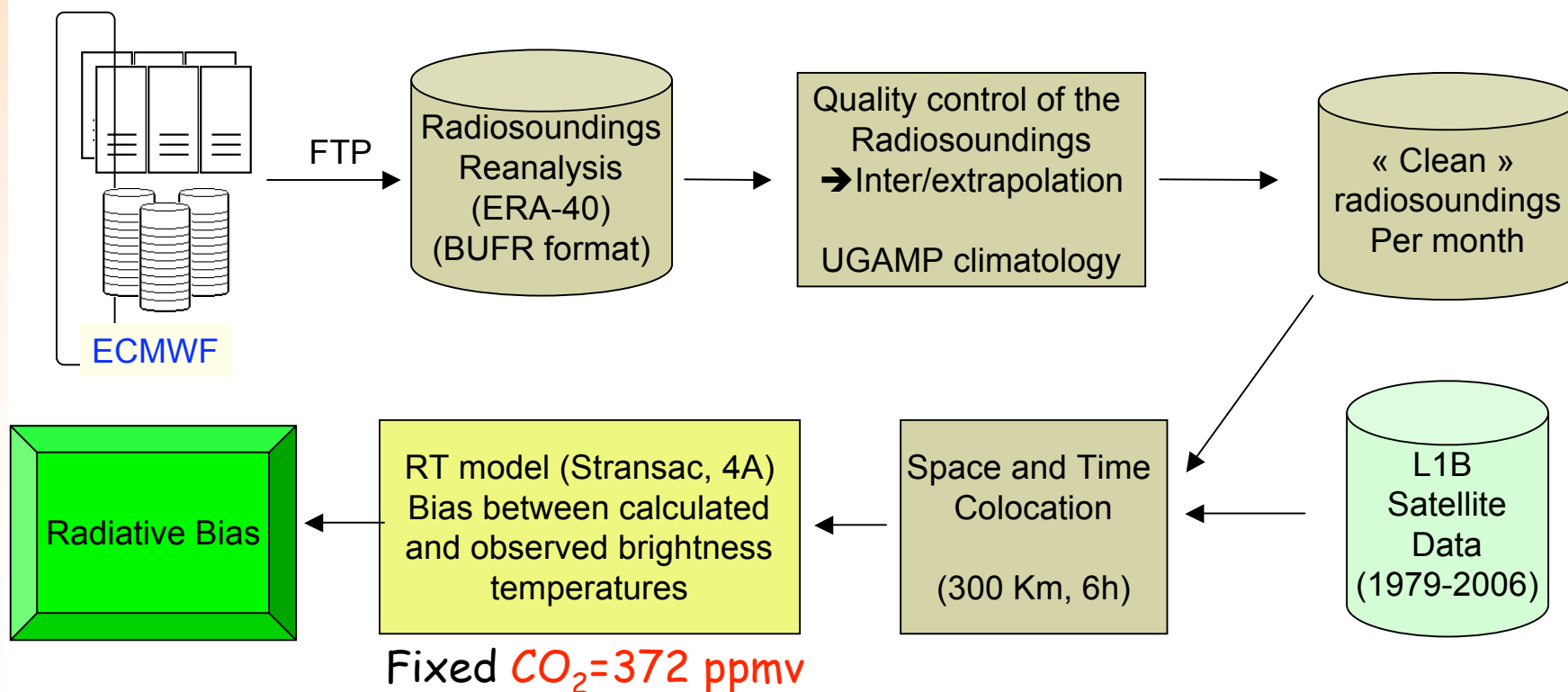
The level1b validation suite at LMD : **colocation of IASI observations with radiosoundings or re-analyses ERA40**

- Radiosoundings «ERA40 »
(23 Go from 1979 to 2007)
- Re-analyses ERA-40
(79 Mo / day, 2 days / month)

Example IASI/AMSU (MetOp) : July 2007

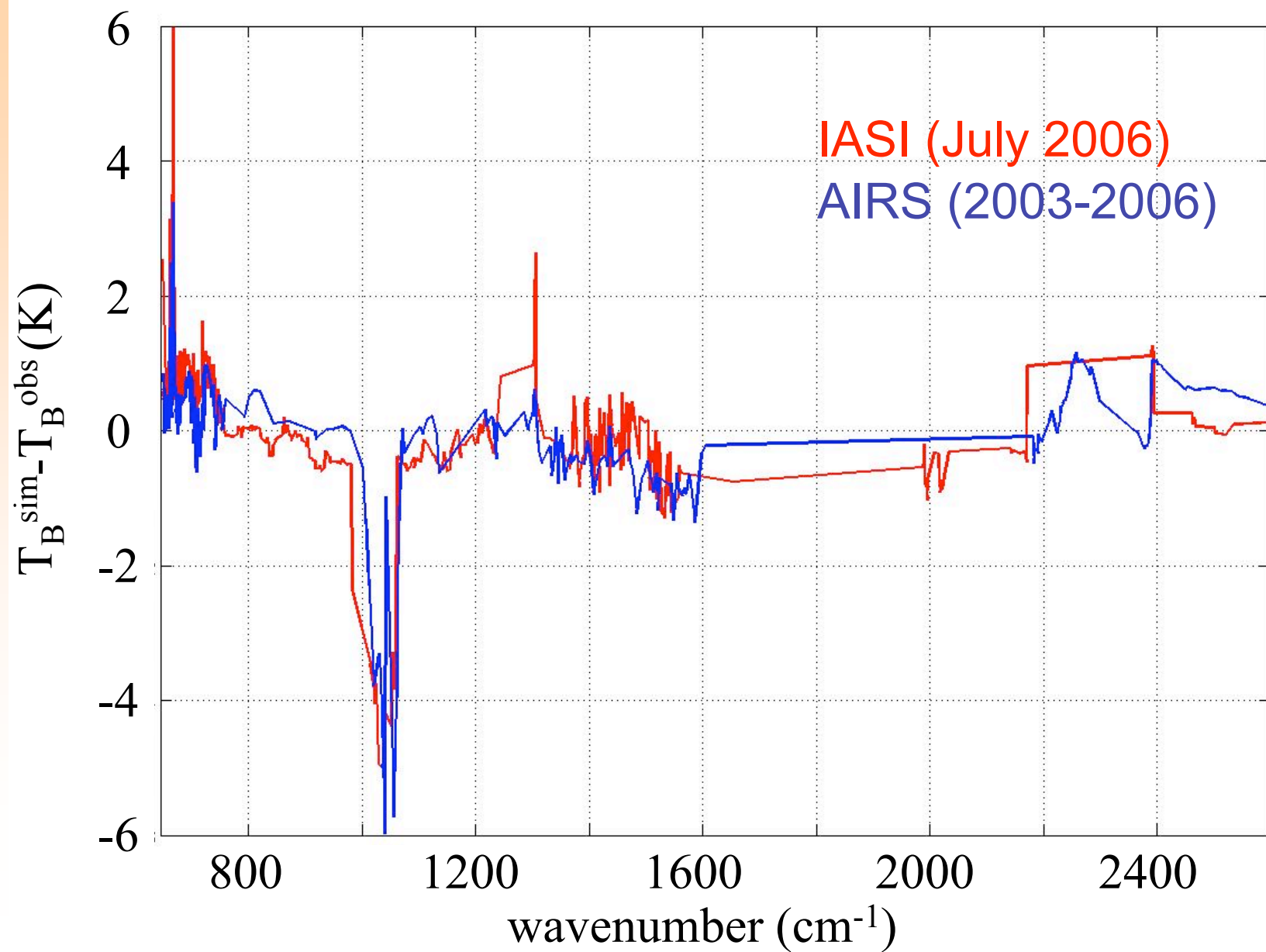
Satellite data : 14 orbits / day

900 Mo / day; 421 channels IR, 15 channels MWV

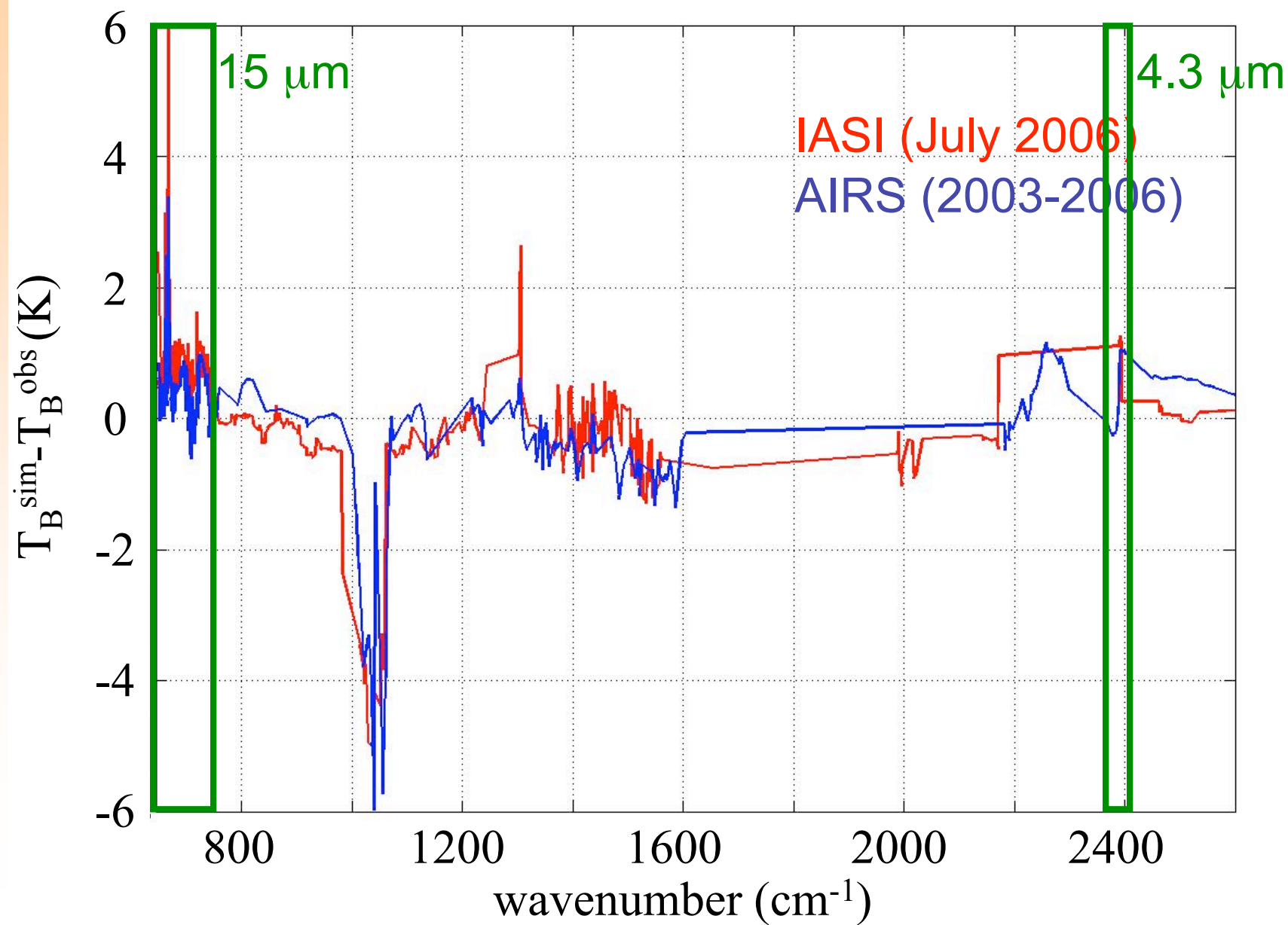


See Poster of Armante et al.

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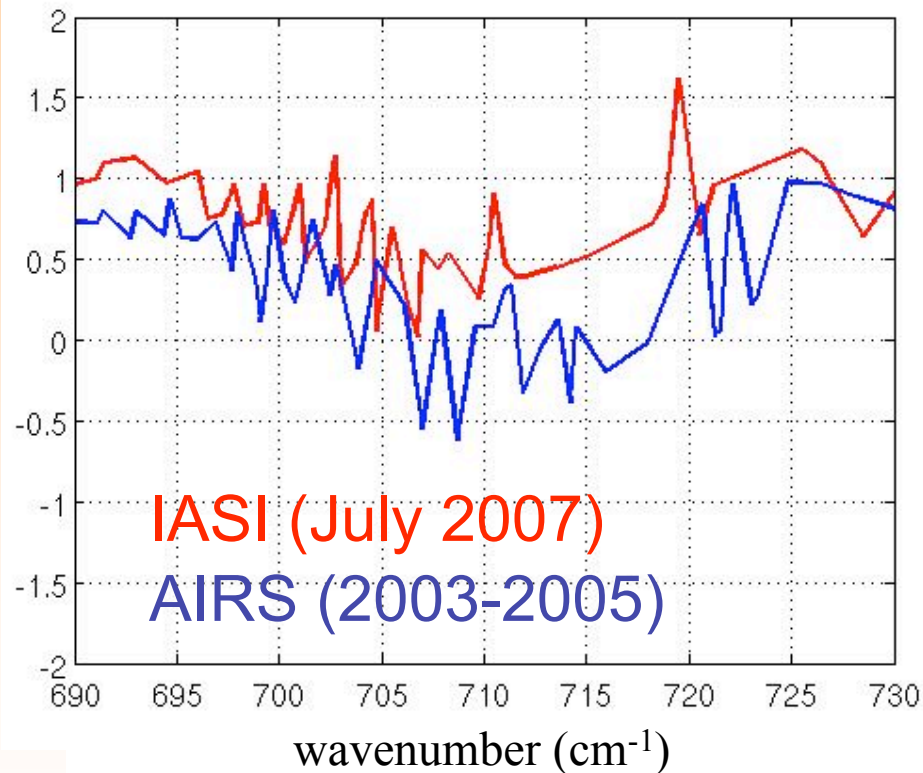
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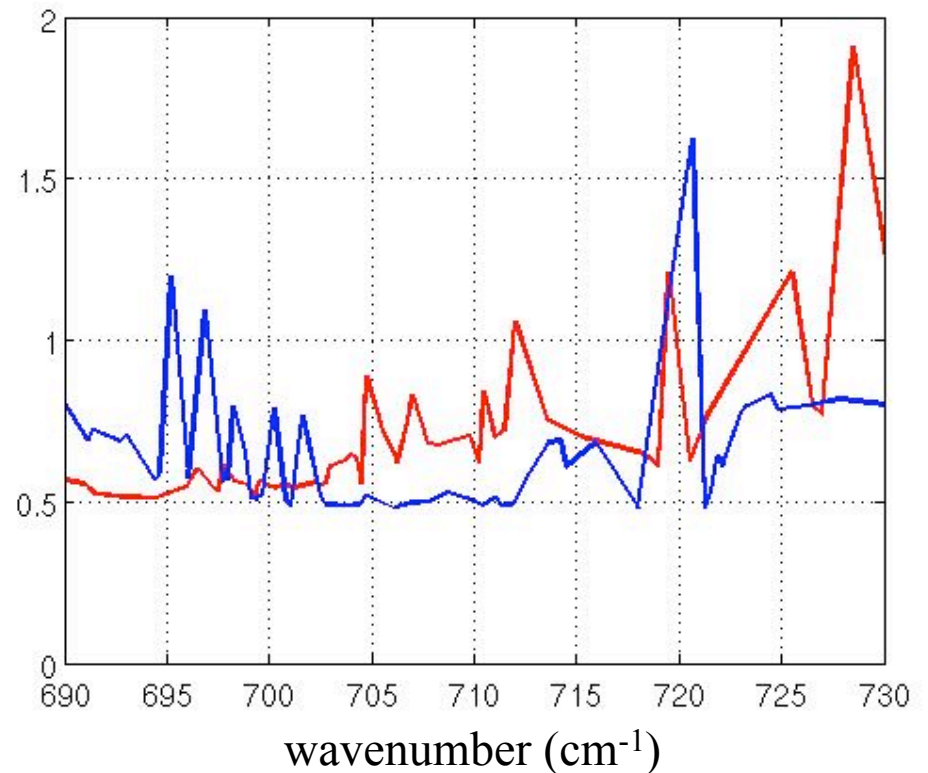
Radiative Bias

15 μm band

Mean radiative bias (K)



Standard deviation (K)

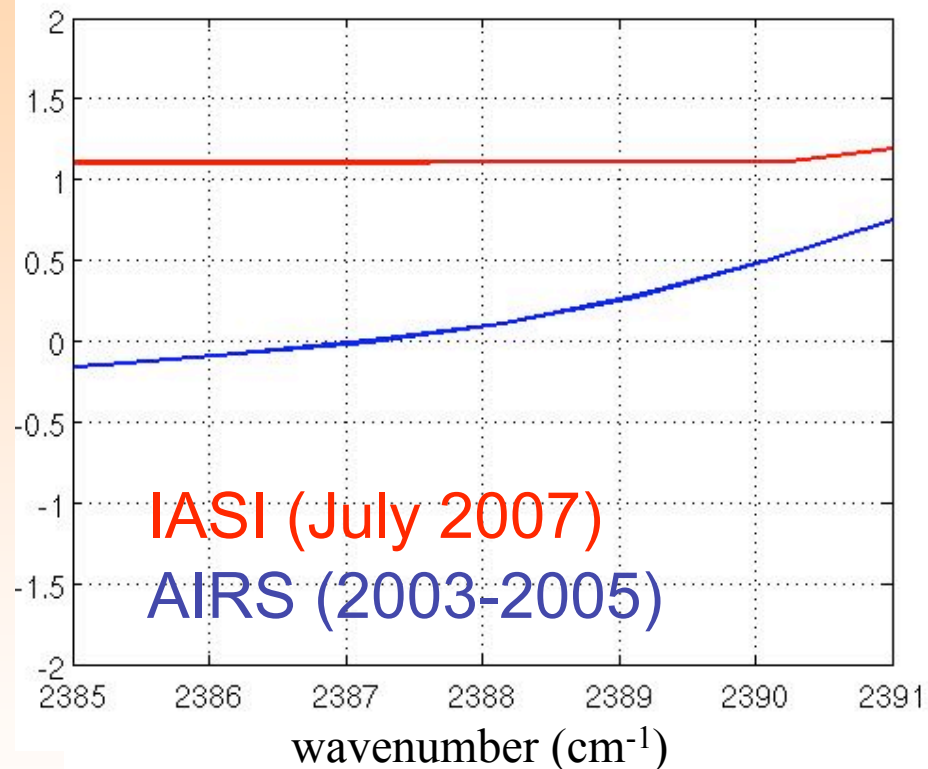


- Higher bias for IASI: $\Delta\text{CO}_2 = +6\text{ppmv} \Rightarrow \Delta T_B = +0.5\text{ K}$
- Lower IASI noise for the selected channels

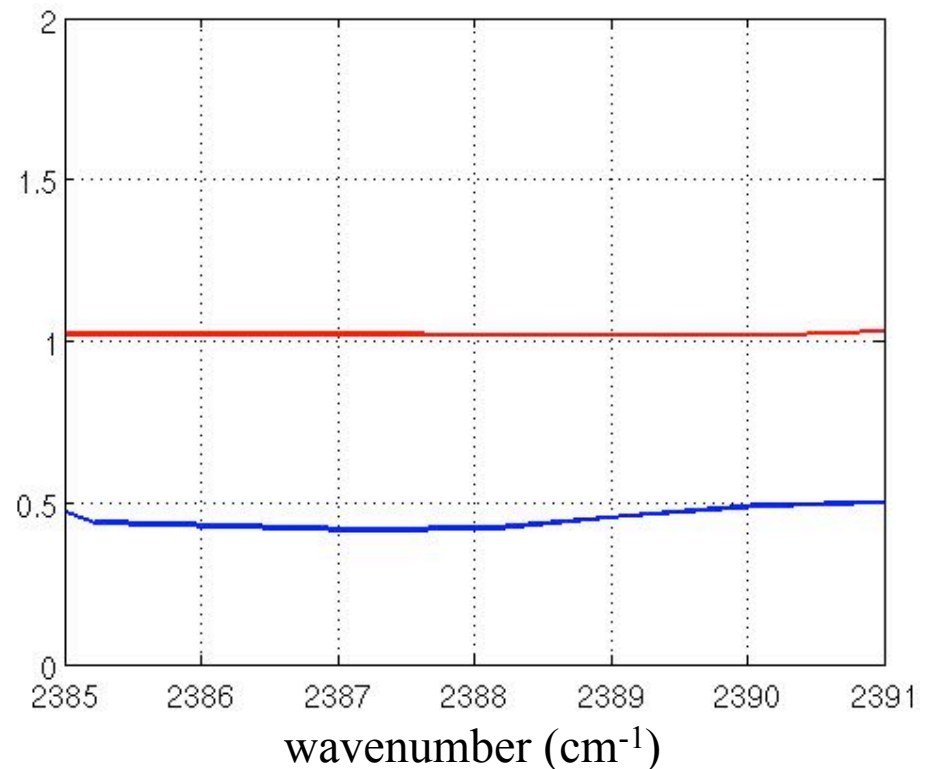
Radiative Bias

4.3 μm band

Mean radiative bias (K)



Standard deviation (K)

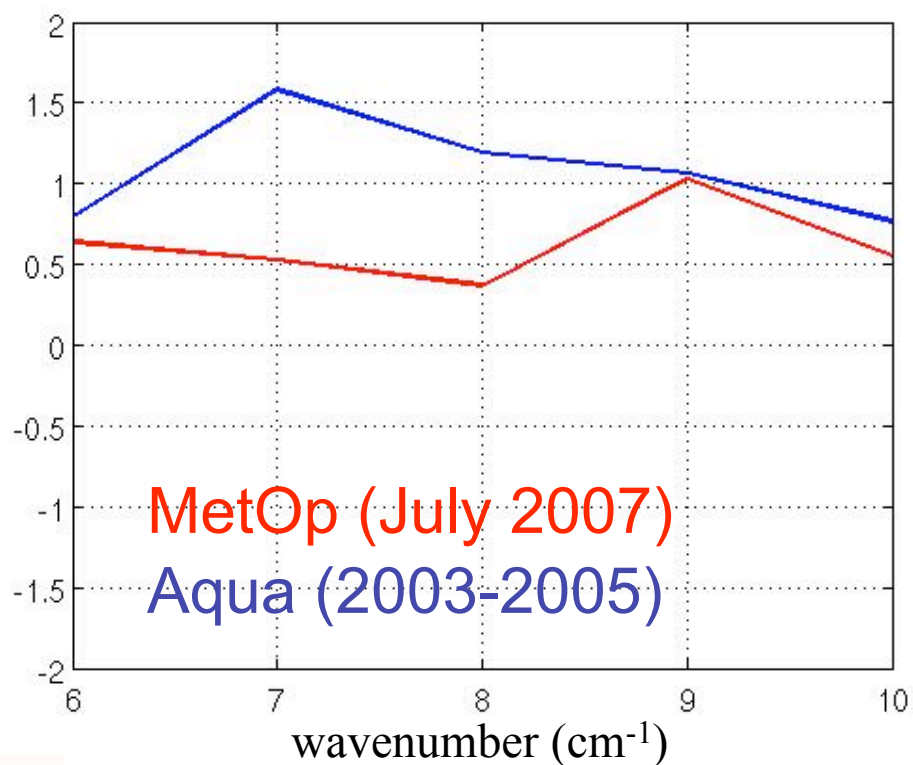


- Higher noise for IASI as compared to AIRS and IASI 15 μm
⇒ IASI channels at 4.3 μm are **not used** in the retrieval scheme

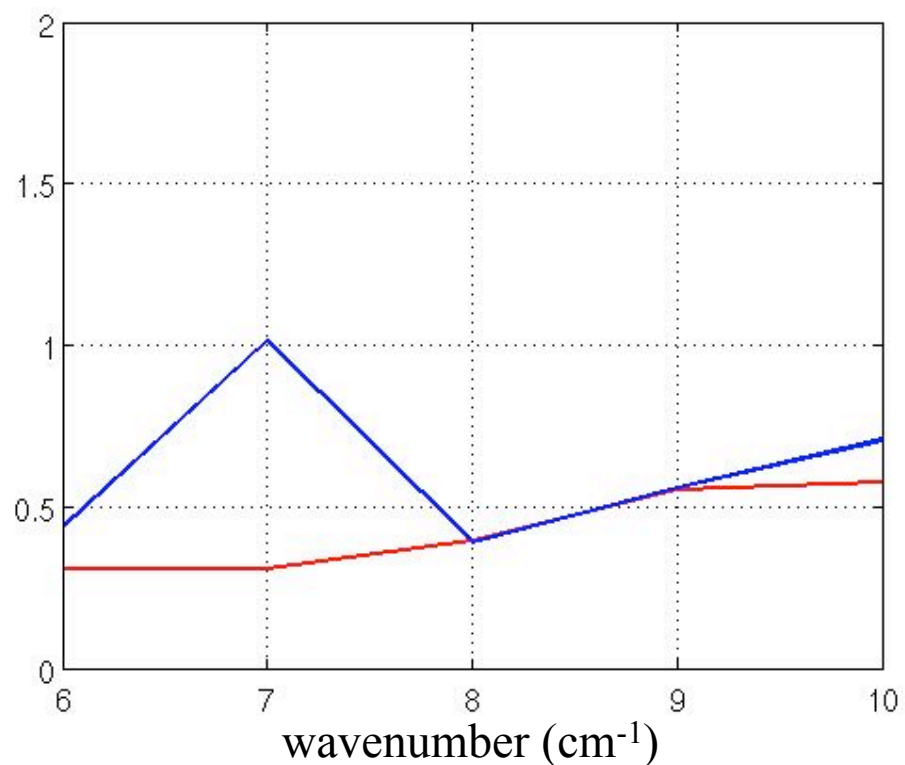
Radiative Bias

AMSU channels 6-10

Mean radiative bias (K)



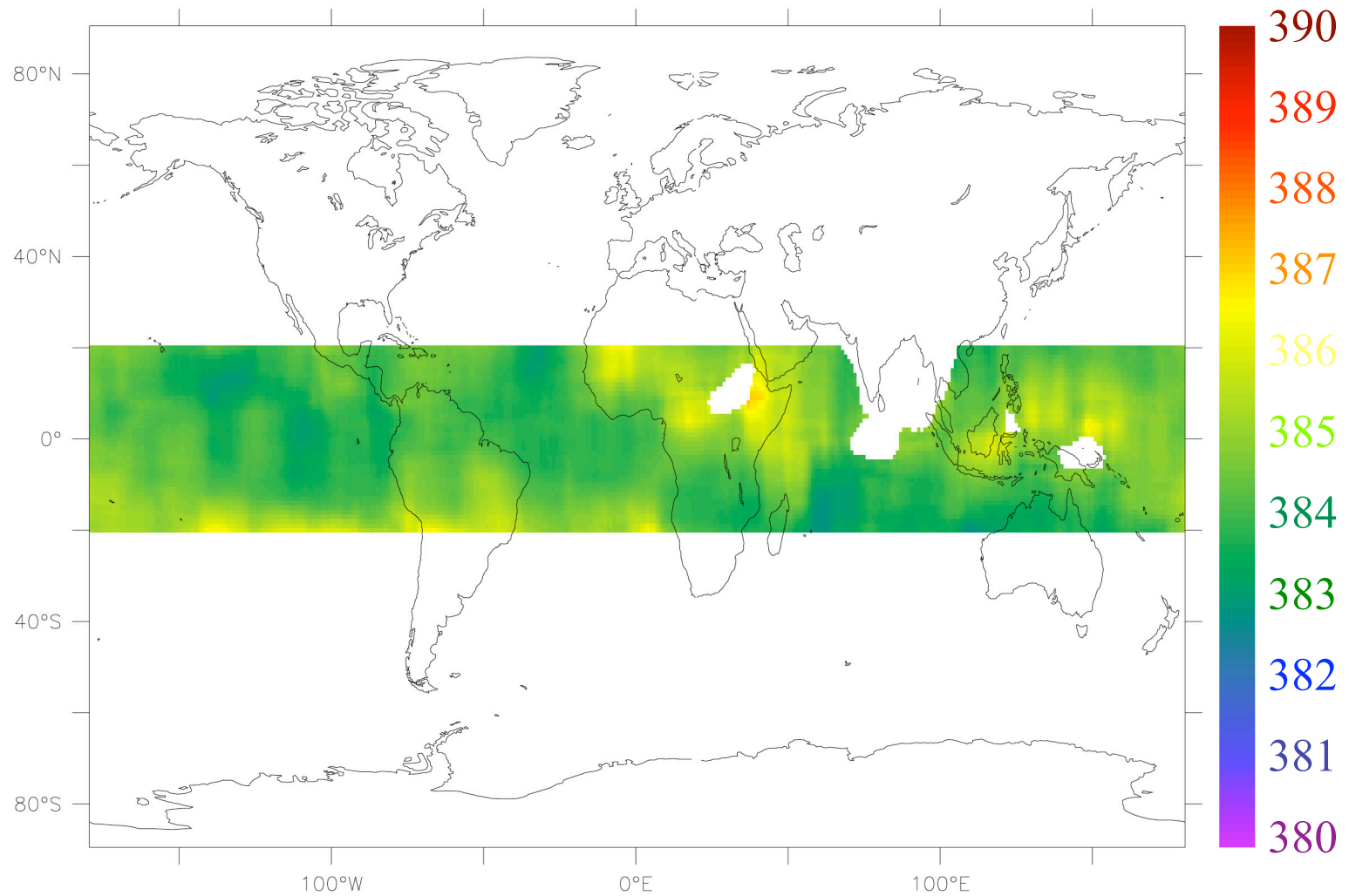
Standard deviation (K)



AMSU 7 is working on MetOp!!!

CO₂ field - July 2007

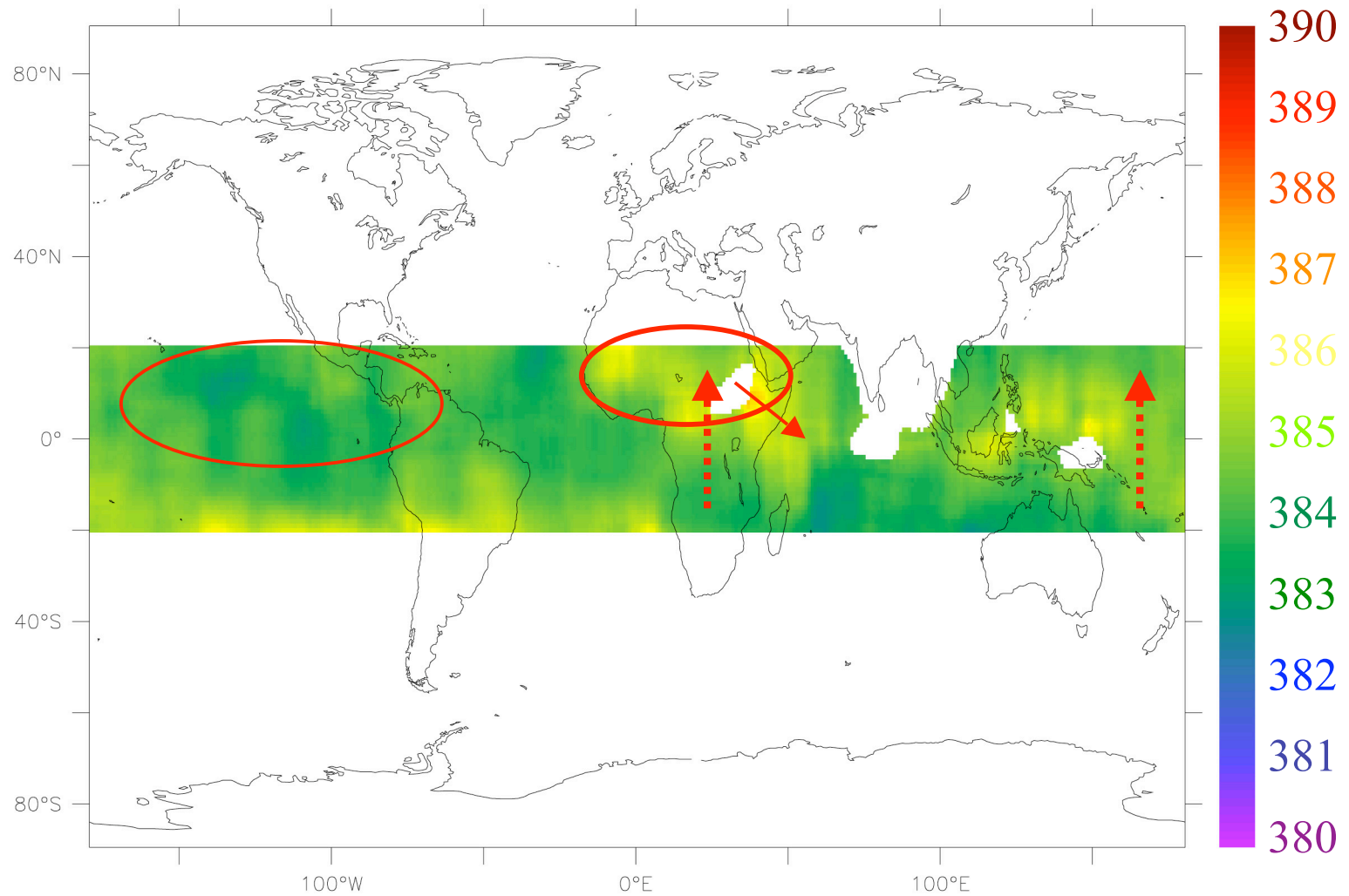
IASI - July 2007



Blank area = high cloudiness

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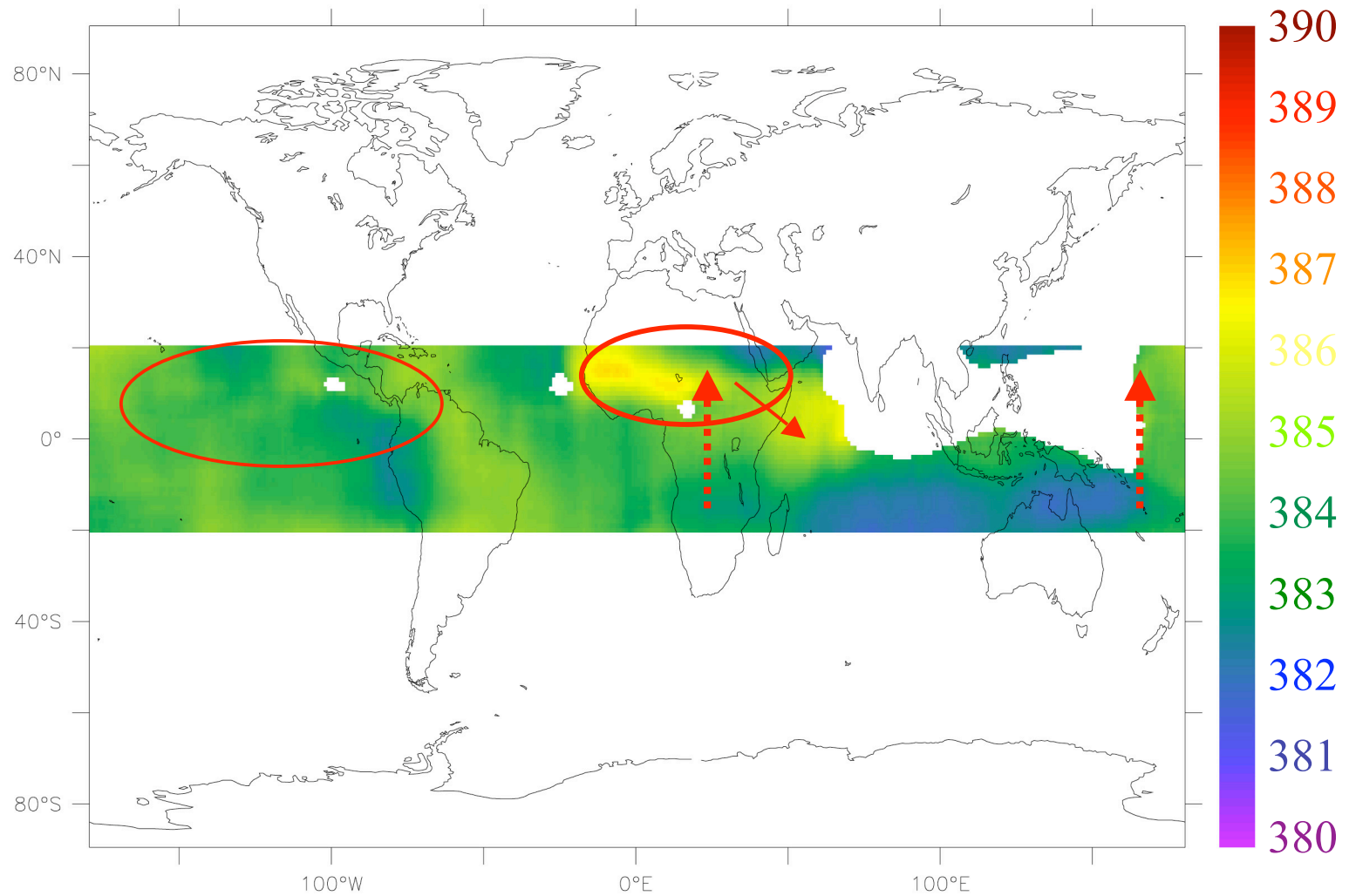
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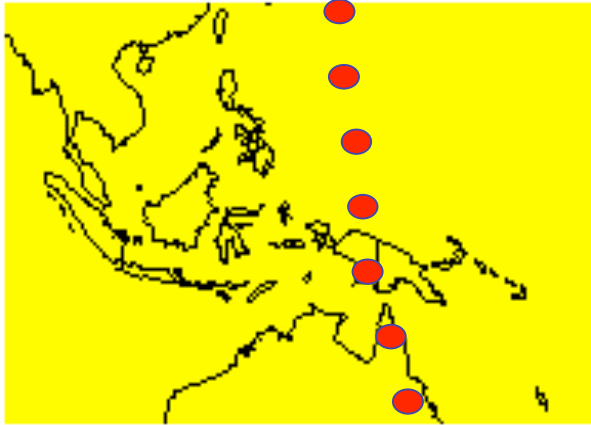
AIRS - July 2007



Higher variability with AIRS than with IASI but similar patterns

Evaluation of IASI CO₂

JAL commercial airliners
between Australia and Japan



- Aircraft [Matsueda et al.]

- 8-10 km

- 1-2 points/month

- until March. 2007

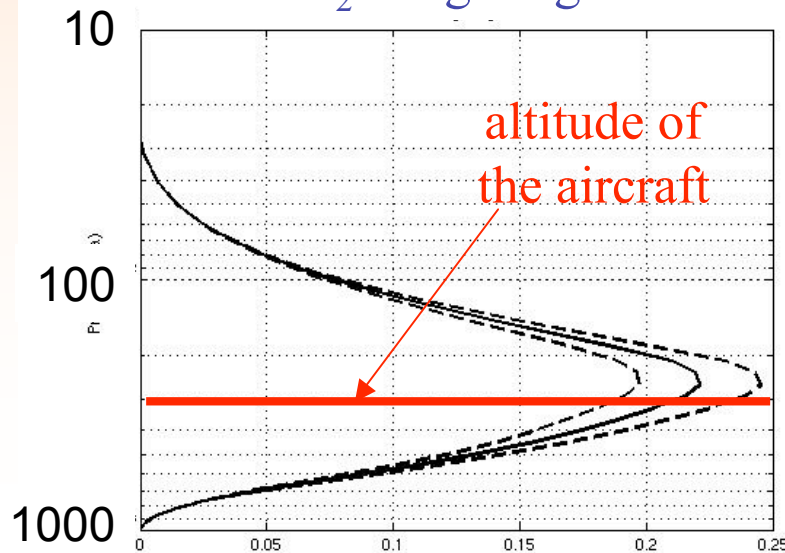
- IASI CO₂

- integrated content 5-15 km

- monthly mean

- period: July 2007

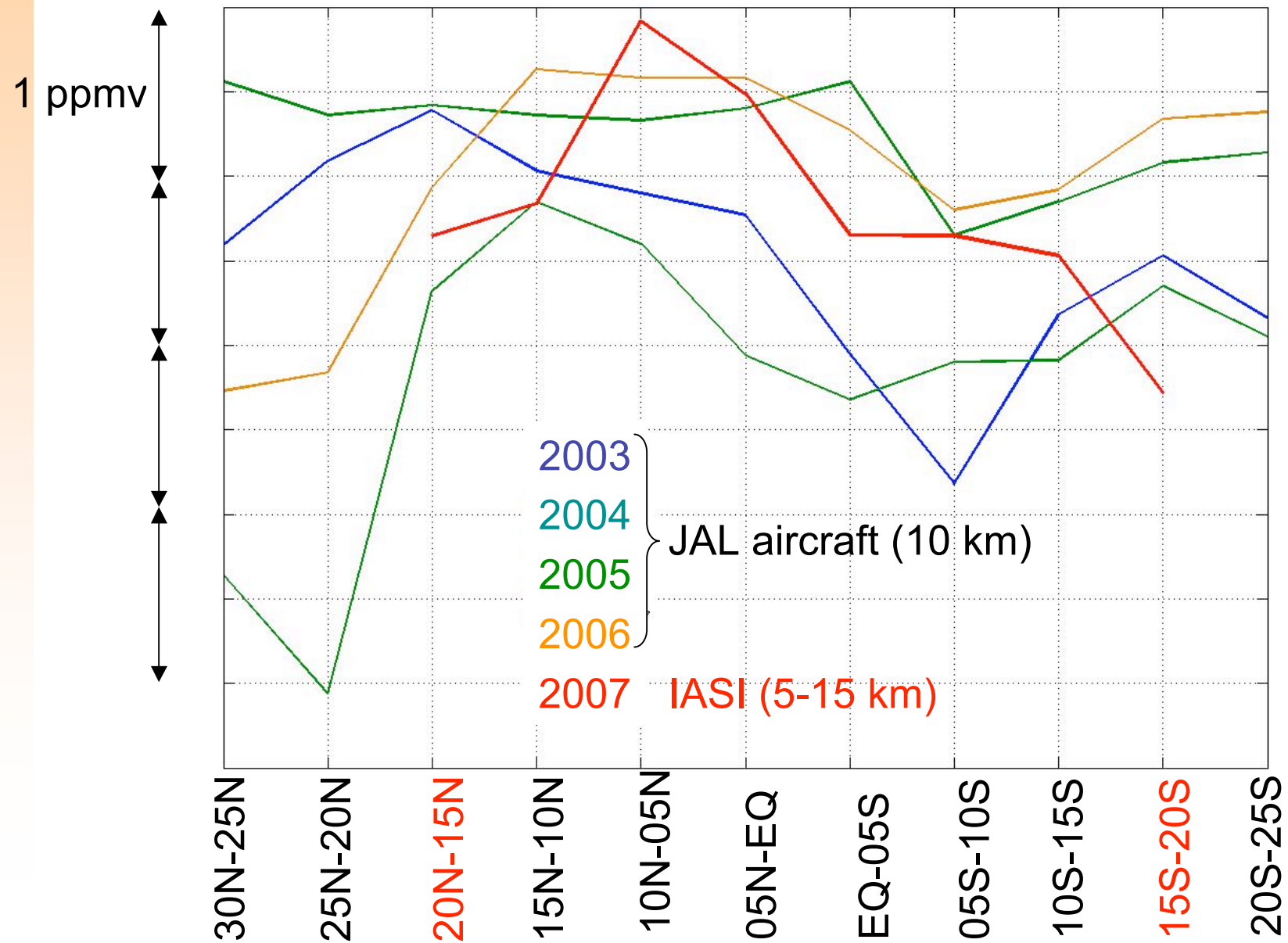
IASI CO₂ weighting function



⇒ Study of the North-to-South gradient

Study of the North-South gradients

CO₂ latitudinal variation in July



Conclusions

1. One month has been interpreted in terms of mid-to-upper tropospheric concentration of CO_2 in the tropics. This has required:
 - downloading of the data
 - cloud detection (HIRS4)
 - radiative biases
2. Good **agreement** of CO_2 distribution between IASI and AIRS but **lower variability** with IASI.
3. General **good agreement with in-situ observation** in terms of latitudinal gradients.
4. **Next steps:**
 - Extend the retrievals to the whole period...
 - Extend the retrievals to temperate regions.
 - Study of other gases: CH_4 , CO , etc.
 - Study of related signals such as fire emission.