



Improving PBL Temperature and Water Vapor Information by Combining Hyperspectral MW and IR Sounders with Active Lidar Measurements

LaRC PCRTM team: X. Liu¹, W. Wu¹, Q. Yang^{1,3}, M. Zhao^{1,2}, H. Jang^{1,2},
X. Xiong¹, and L. Lei^{1,2}

LaRC HALO team: B. Collister¹, R. Barton-Grimley¹, and A. R. Nehrir¹

1. NASA Langley Research Center

2. AMA Inc.

3. ADNET Inc.

GSFC COSMIR-H : A. Gambacorta and R. Kroodsma

JPL Co-I: Q. Yue



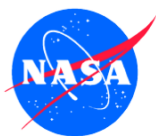
Outline of the Presentation

- Objectives of our PBL studies
- Progress of Developing PCRTM for COSMIR-H and ATMS
- Progress in designing the trade studies to improve PBL retrievals
- Summary

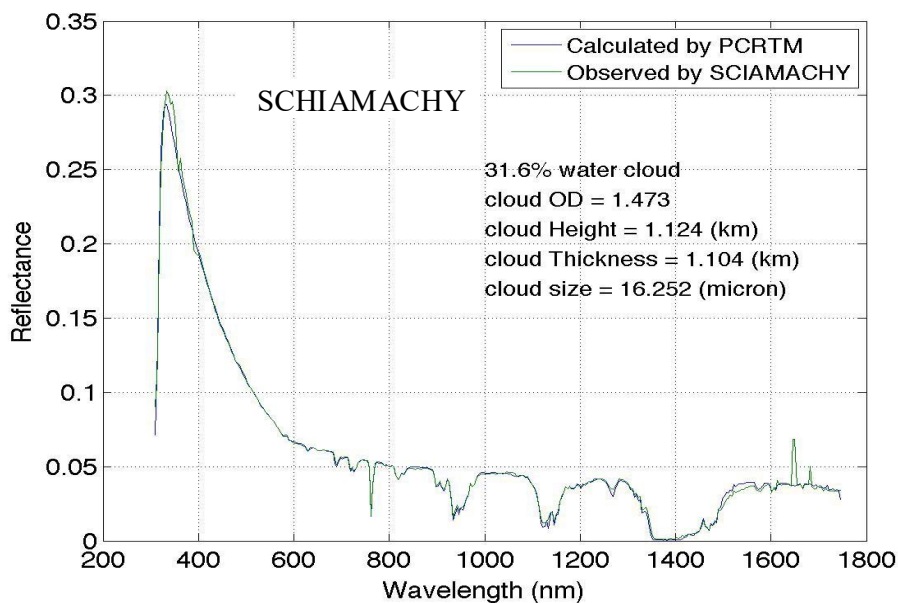
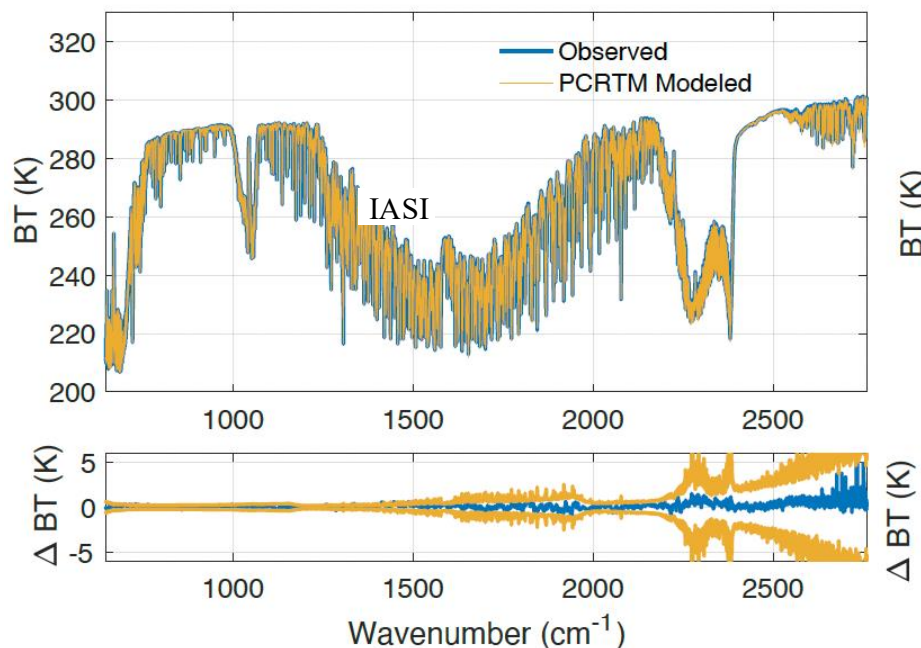


Description of PCRTM

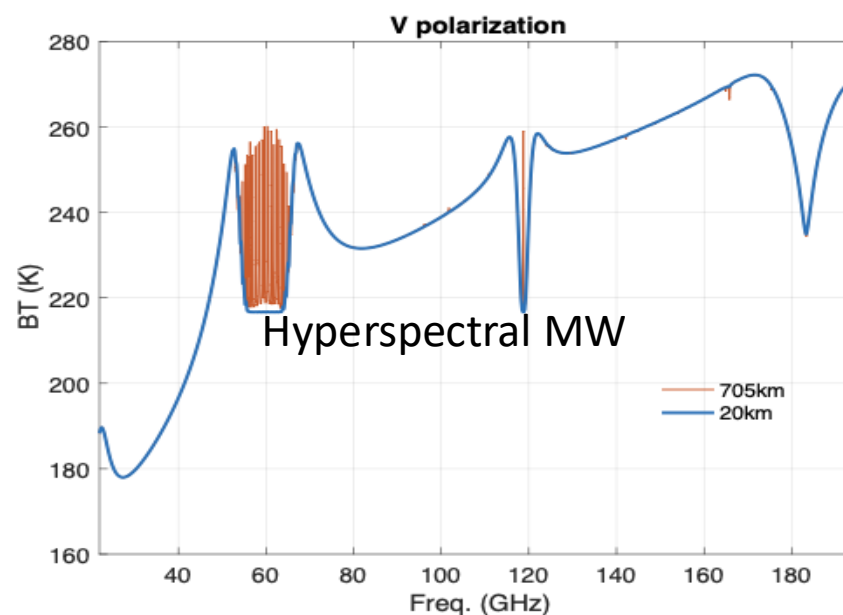
- PCRTM is a physical-based RTM
 - RT is done monochromatically
- PCRTM is fast
 - Orders of magnitude faster than Line-by-Line (LBL) models (reduces RT calculations from millions to hundreds)
- PCRTM is accurate
 - 0.03 K Brightness Temperature RMS errors relative to LBL for thermal IR
 - Less than 0.05% relative to LBL in solar spectral region
- PCRTM was developed in 2004 and has been extensively used by many projects
 - AIRS, IASI, CrIS, NAST-I, S-HIS, CLARREO, CPF, EMIT, SCHIAMACHY, OMI ..
 - Covers far-IR, mid-IR, Near-IR, Visible, UV-Vis spectral regions
 - Handles cloud and aerosols
 - Handle polarization due to gas, clouds, aerosols, and surface (in solar spectral region)
- PCRTM has been used for many applications
 - Forward model for a physical retrieval algorithm
 - High fidelity satellite radiance/reflectance spectral simulator for new satellite sensors
 - Observing System Simulation Experiments (OSSEs)
 - Training data for AI algorithms
 - Spectral matching and angular matching error corrections for inter-satellite sensor calibrations
 - Instrument spectral characterization and new sensor performance studies



PCRTM Covers Far-IR, IR, Visible, and UV (soon MW)



Sensor	Channel Number	PC score (seconds)
CLARREO, 0.1 cm ⁻¹	19901	0.014 s
CLARREO, 0.5 cm ⁻¹	5421	0.011 s
CLARREO, 1.0 cm ⁻¹	2711	0.0096 s
IASI, 0.25 cm ⁻¹	8461	0.011 s
AIRS, 0.5-2.5 cm ⁻¹	2378	0.0060 s
CrIS, 0.625-2.5 cm ⁻¹	1317	0.0050 s
NAOST-I, 0.25 cm ⁻¹	8632	0.010 s
S-HIS, 0.5 cm ⁻¹	4316	0.008 s
CrIS, 0.625 cm ⁻¹	2211	0.009 s



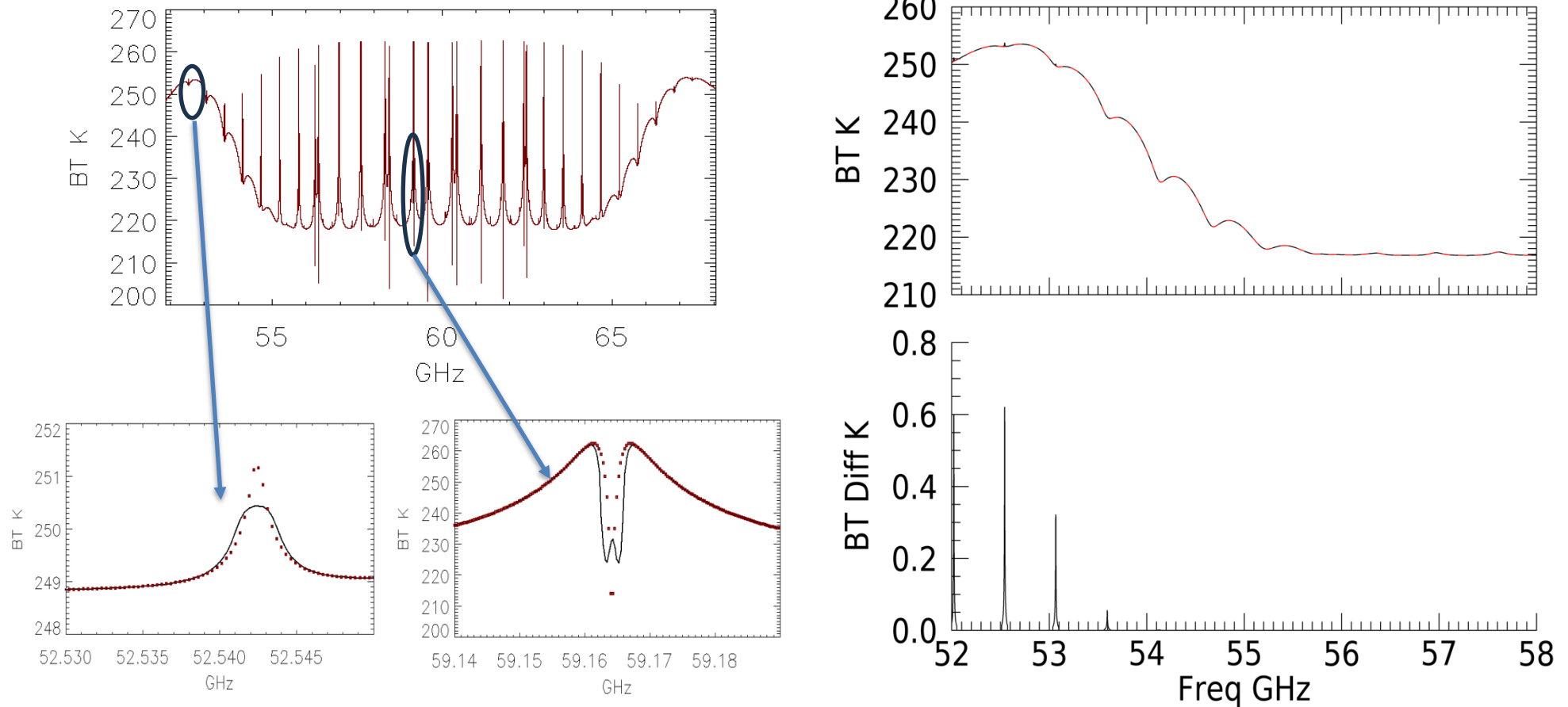


Impact of Ignoring Zeeman Effect in Radiative Transfer Calculations

Comparing TOA BT at 60 GHz O₂ band

-resolution: 0.3MHz -Red dot without Zeeman

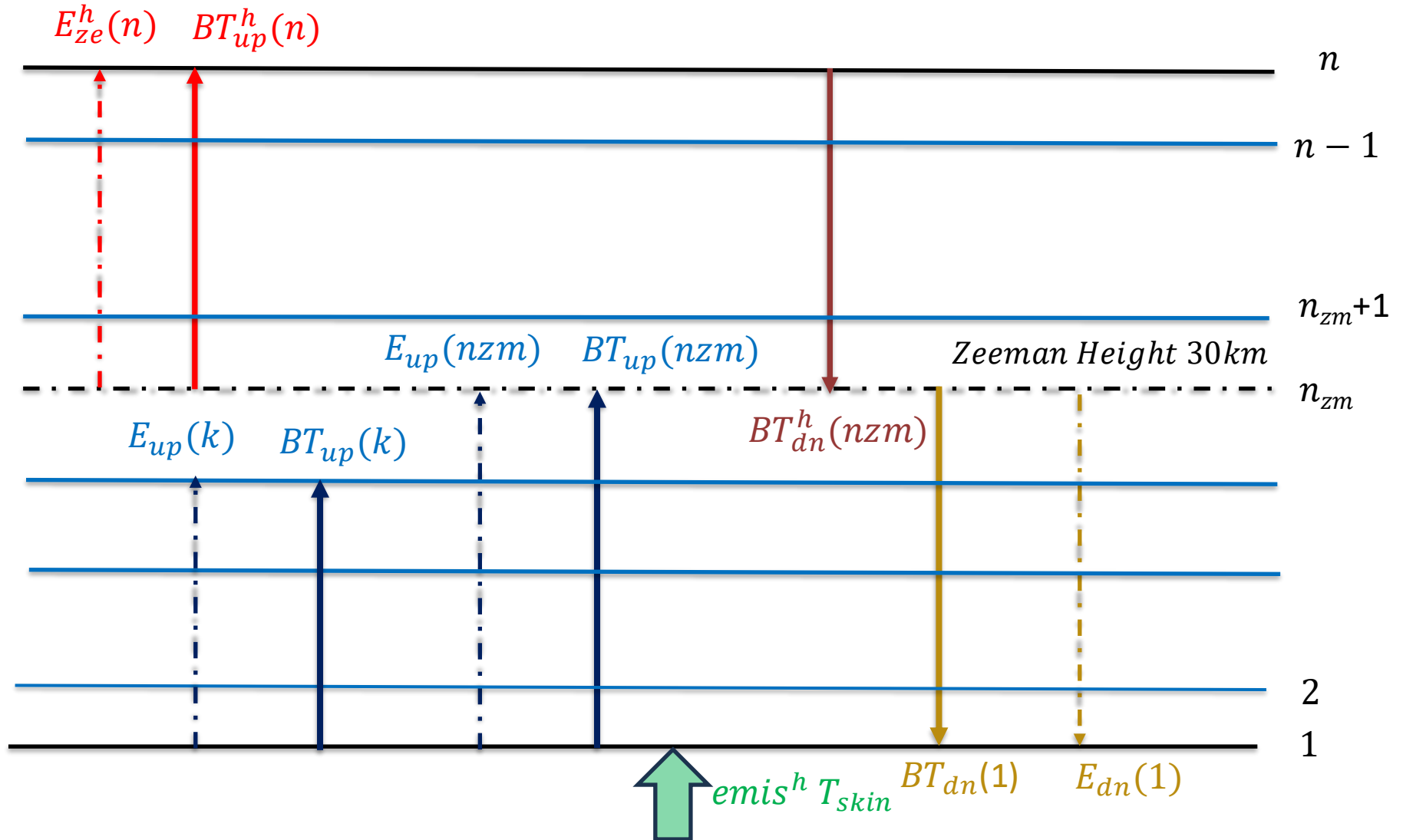
BT at 20km averaged at 4 MHz (COSMIR-H)





Radiative Transfer Equations for Space and Airborne MW remote sensors

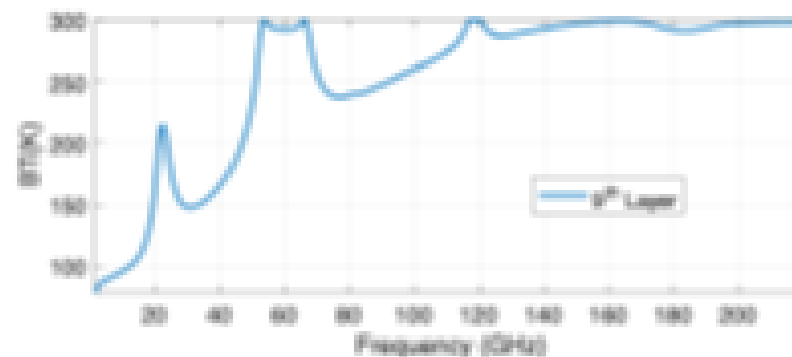
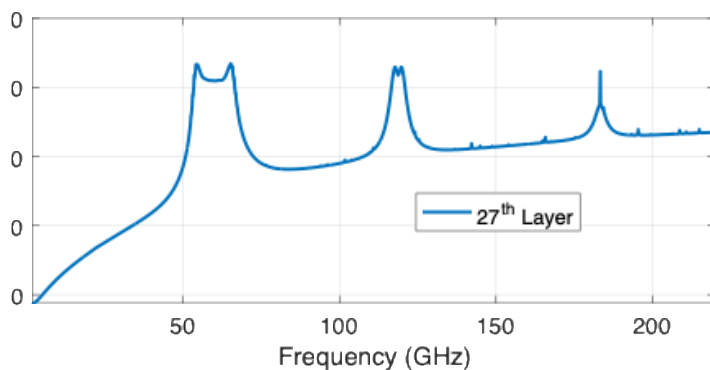
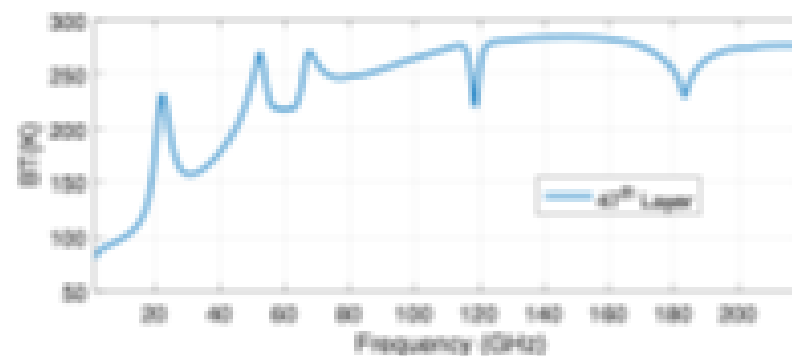
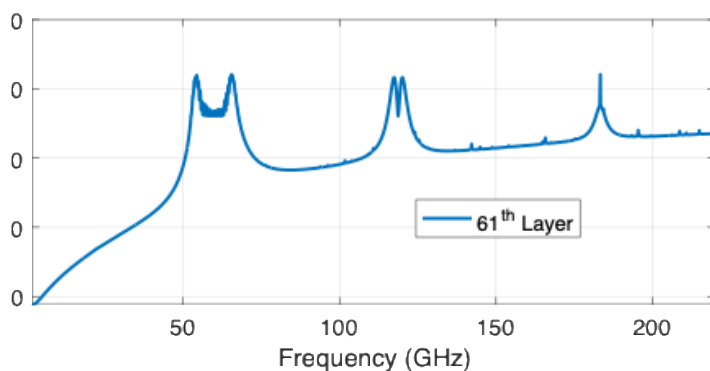
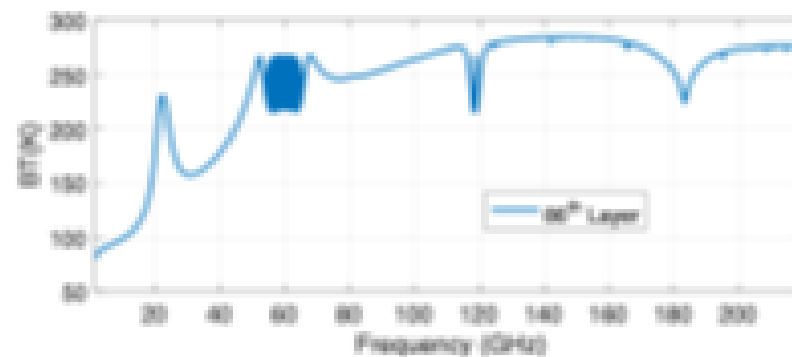
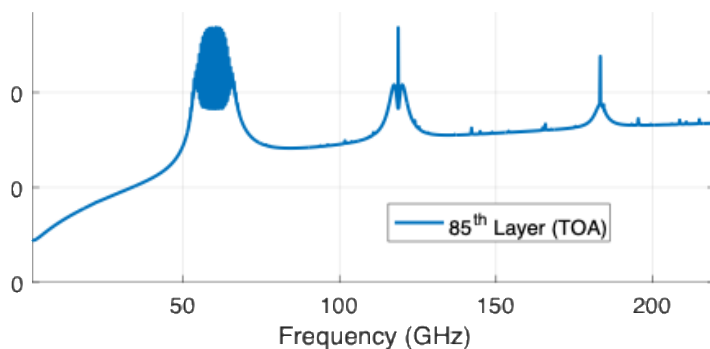
$$\text{Satellite } BT^h = BT_{up}^h(n) + E_{ze}^h(n) BT_{up}(n_{zm}) + E_{ze}^h(n) E_{up}(n_{zm}) \\ \{R_{sfc}^h [BT_{dn}(1) + BT_{dn}^h(n_{zm}) E_{dn}(1)] + emis^h T_{skin}\}$$



$$\text{Airborne } BT^h = BT_{up}(k) + E_{up}(k) \{R_{sfc}^h [BT_{dn}(1) + BT_{dn}^h(n_{zm}) E_{dn}(1)] + emis^h T_{skin}\}$$



Examples of Brightness Temperature at Different Observation Heights (1 km to 900 km)





PCRTM Model Developed for COSMIR-H Airborne Instrument

Frequency Range (GHz)	Number of Channels	Number of Simulations in LBL	Number of Simulations in PCRTM	Speed Up to LBL	Speed Up to Channel	Bias (K)	RMSE (K)
50-58	2048 (H)	22622	40	566	51	-0.00005	0.061
175.31-191.31	4096 (V)	6463	21	308	195	-0.000055	0.035
89.0 $\pm$ 1.25	4 (H/V)	152	2	76	2	0.003	0.025
165.3 $\pm$ 1.25	4 (H/V)	152	3	51	1.3	-0.001	0.067
Total	6152	29389	66	445	93	0.0005	0.047



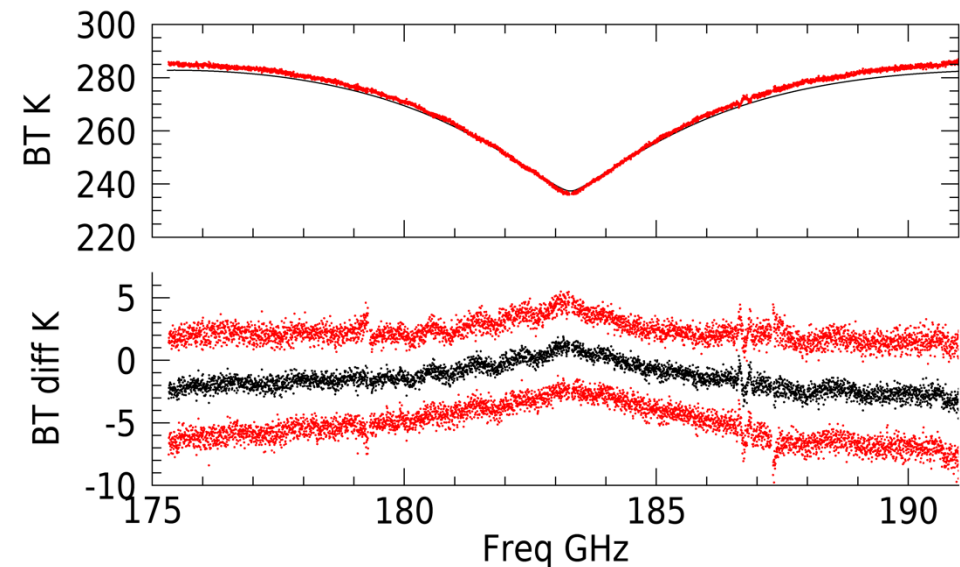
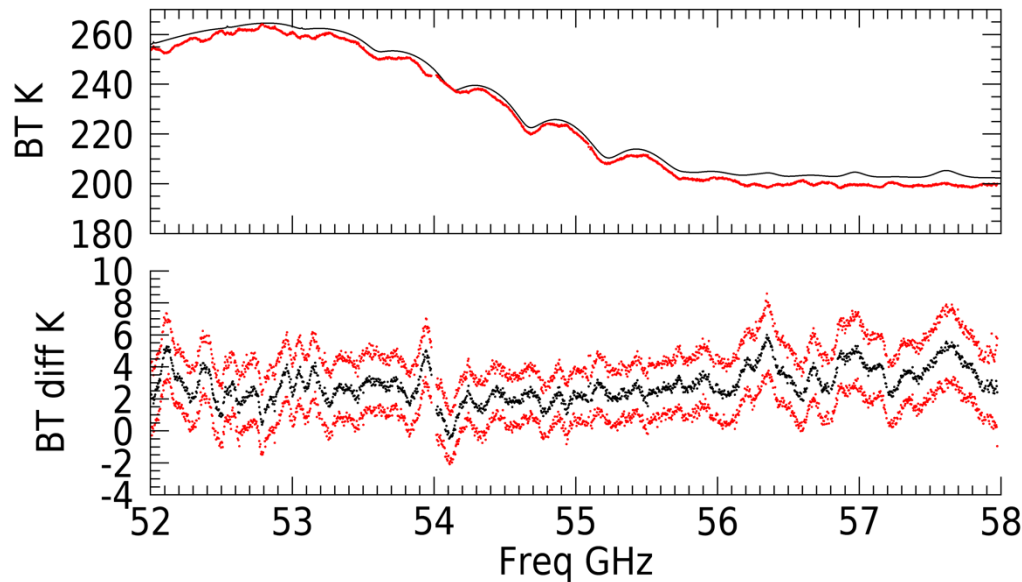
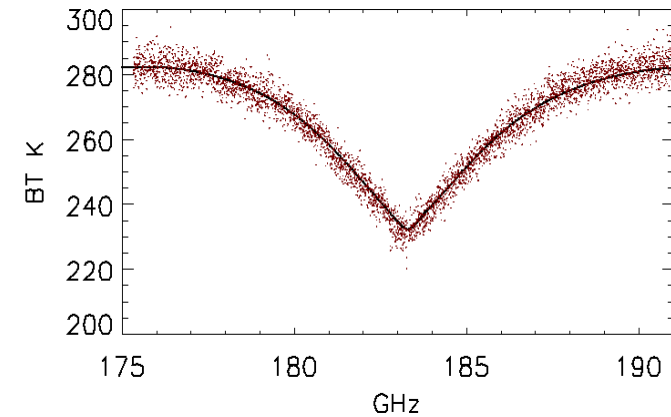
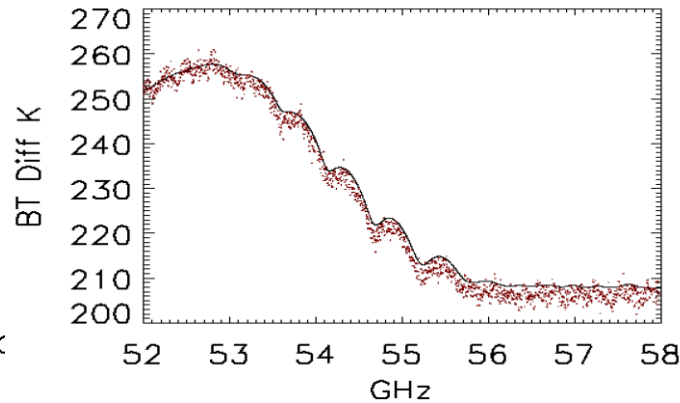
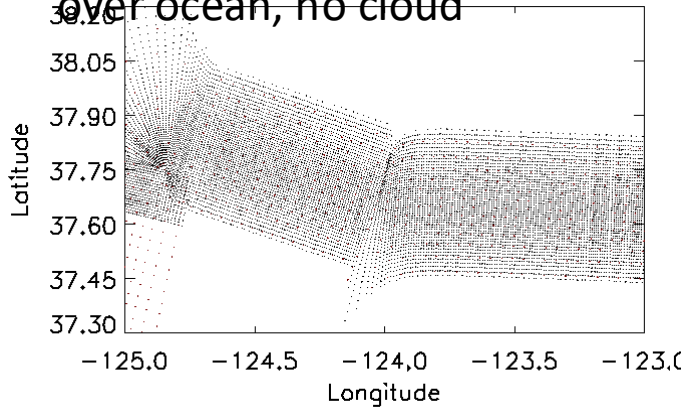
Validating of PCRTM Using COSMIR-H Data from WHyMSIE

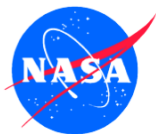
Fingerprint match: COSMIR-H and NASTI

co-located: lat and lon < 0.005 degree (1km)

over ocean, no cloud

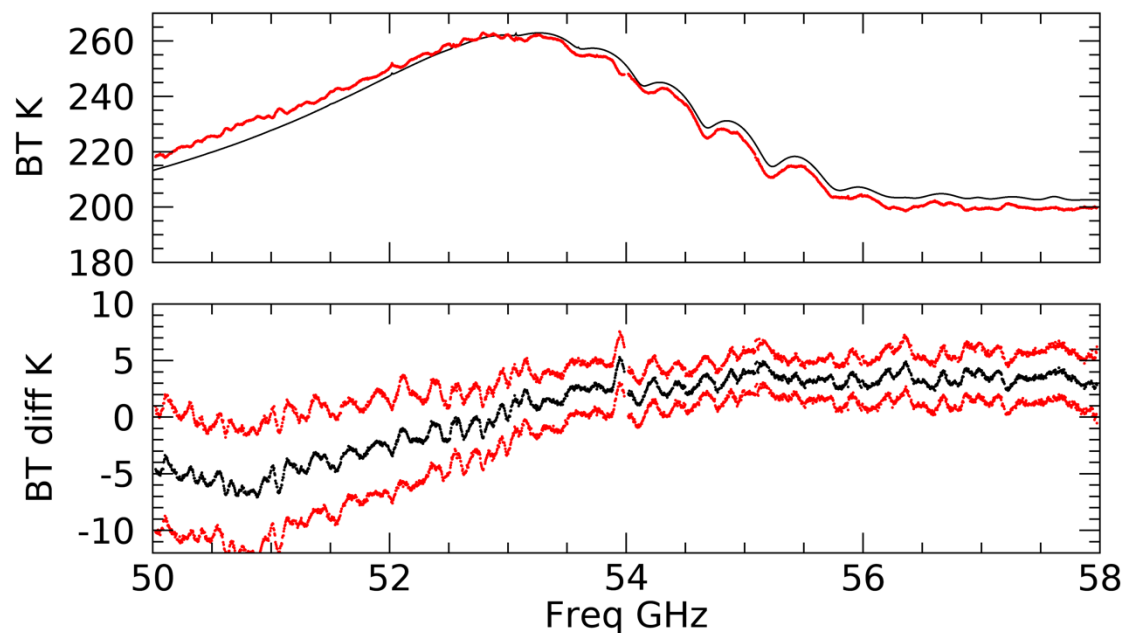
Comparison of PCRTM simulated BT with COSMIR-H observations





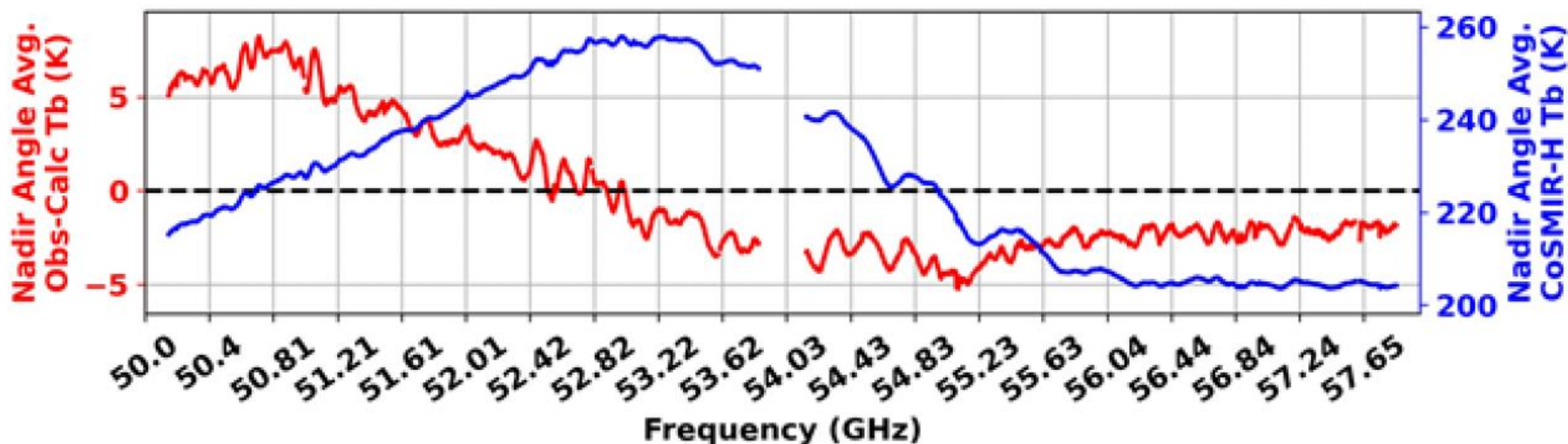
Validating of PCRTM Using COSMIR-H Data from WHyMSIE

Red: COSMIR-H BT
Black: PCRTM Simulated BT



Red: STD of the BT diff
Black: Mean difference

Plot below: Results from COSMIR-H team:





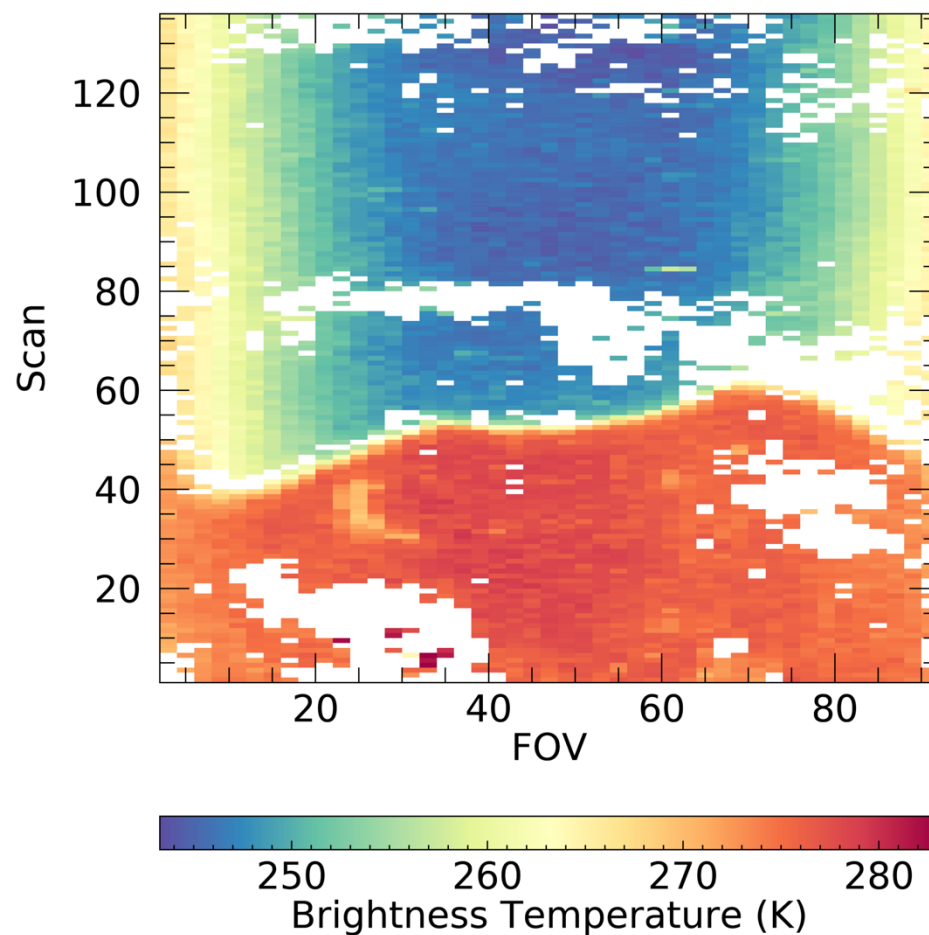
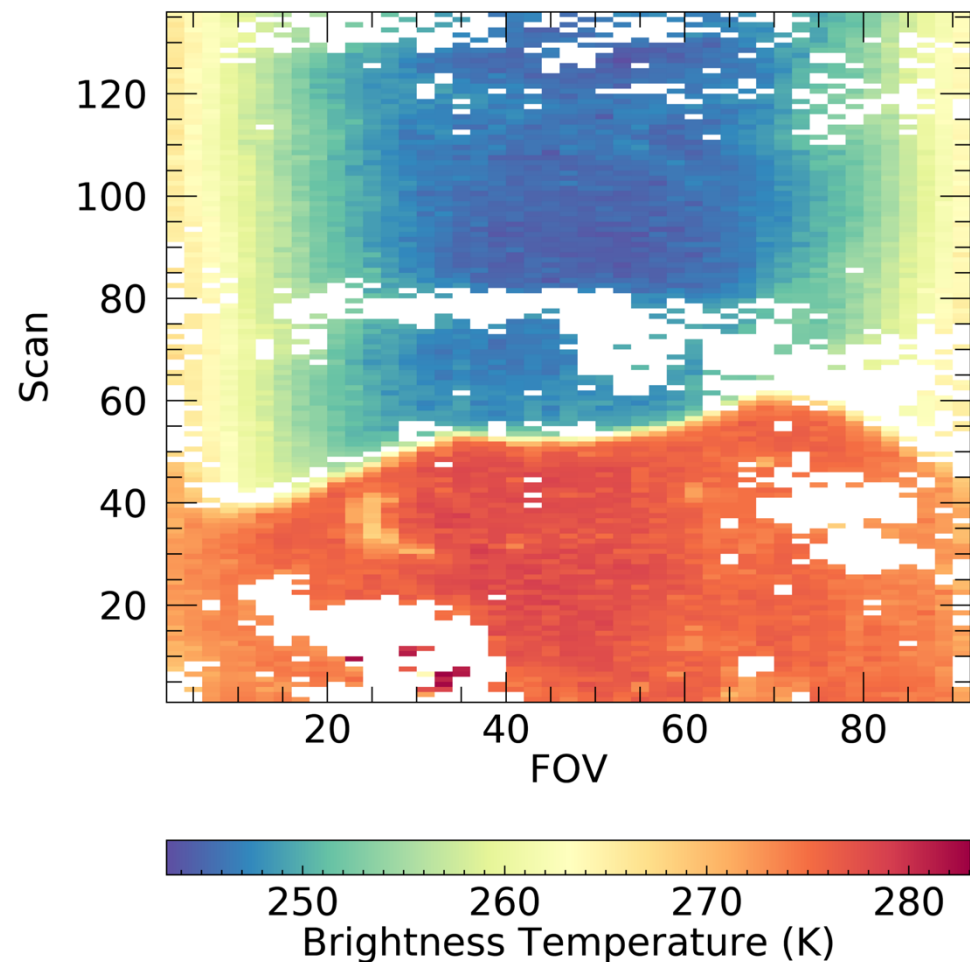
Comparison of PCRTM ATMS Brightness Temperatures (BTs) with CRTM BTs

CRTM calculated ATMS BT at 51.76 GHz

PCRTM calculated ATMS BT at 51.76 GHz

CRTM BT for ATMS Channel 4

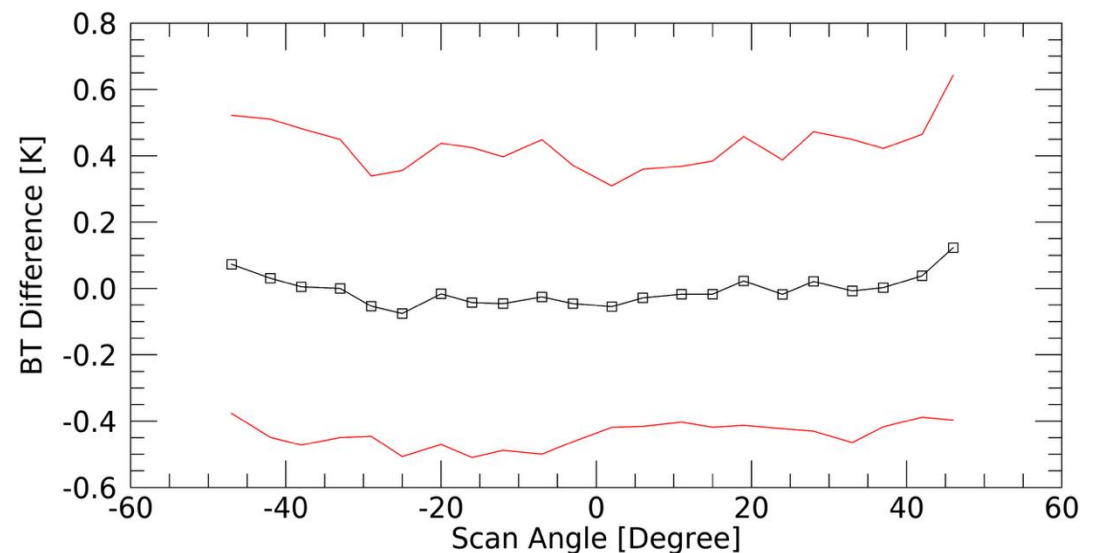
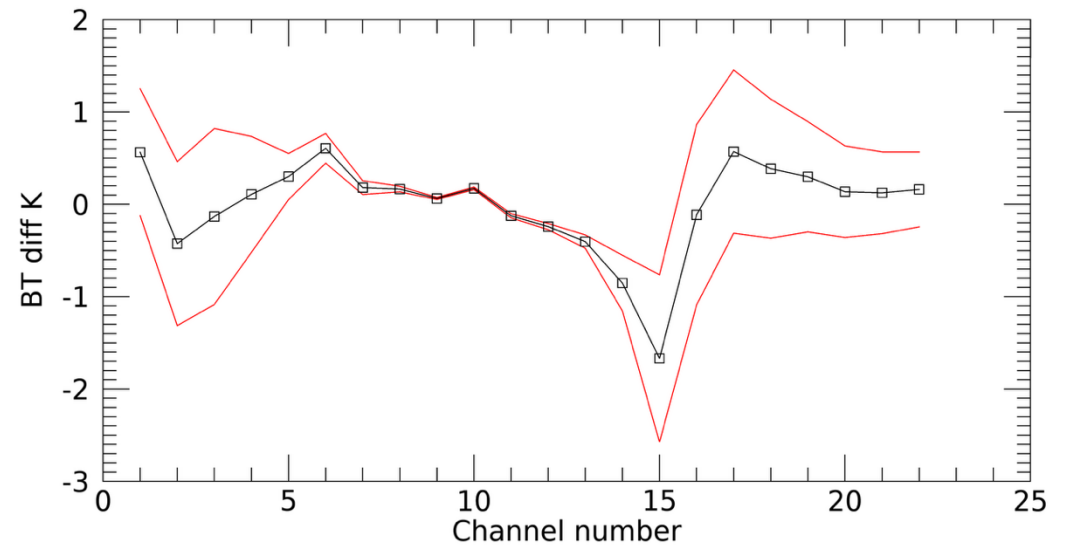
Simulated BT for ATMS Channel 4





Brightness Temperature Differences (bias & RMS) between PCRTM and CRTM

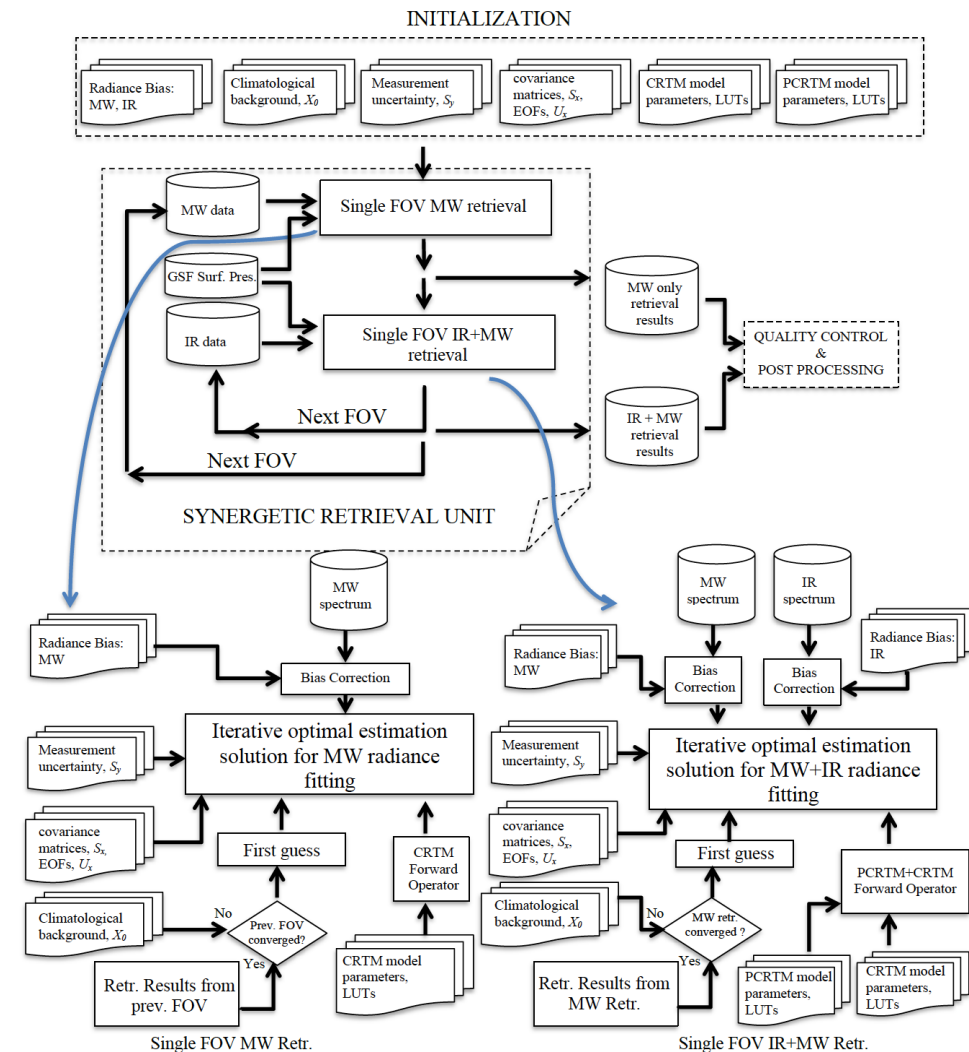
- Zeeman Effect turned off
 - CRTM does not handle it for ATMS
 - PCRTM considers Zeeman but turned to be consistent with CRTM
- CRTM trained with Rozenkranz line-by-line radiative transfer model
 - Uses Lorentz line-shape for O₂ lines
 - Uses switch between doppler and Lorentz line shape for H₂O lines
- PCRTM trained with monoRTM which uses Voigt line shape
 - Needed for the strong O₂ lines with weighting function peak at upper atmosphere
- The difference is frequency dependent with different angular differences
 - PCRTM does not have scan angle dependency when compared with LBL
- We prefer to use Voigt line shape for the MW PCRTM
 - Can be trained with Rozenkranz LBL





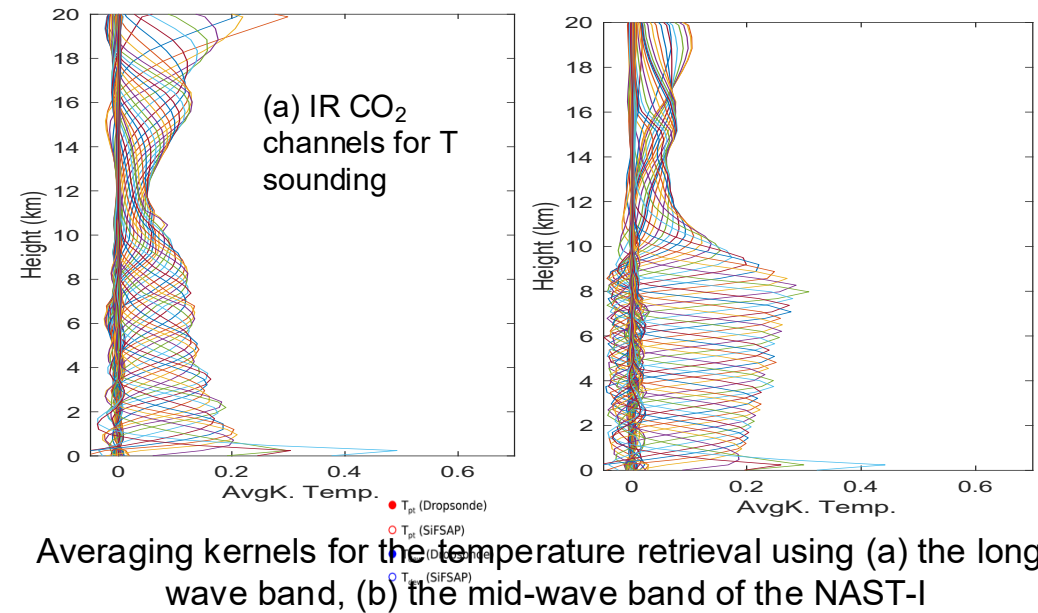
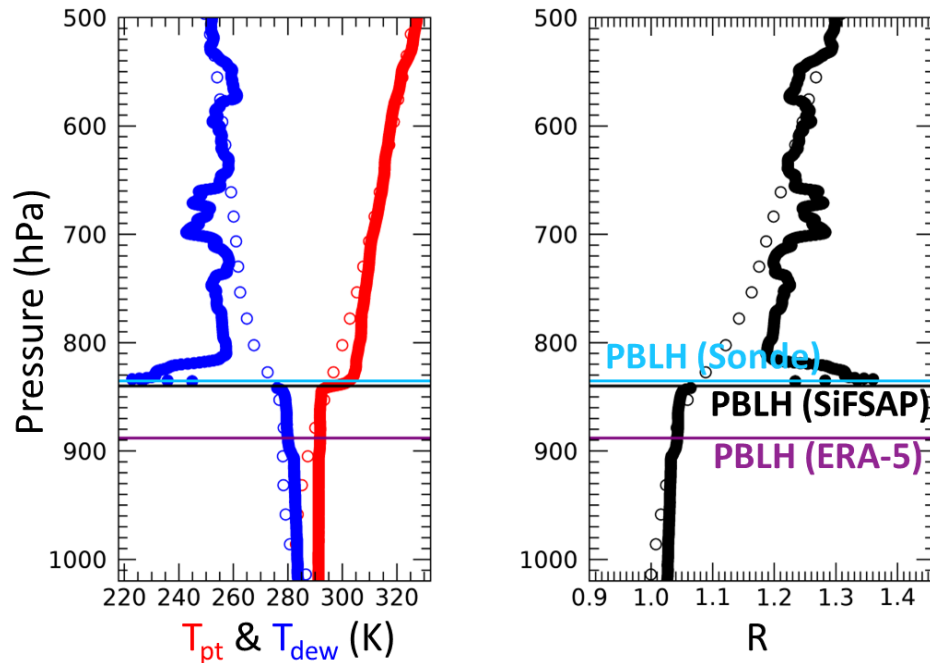
Single Field-of-view Sounder Atmospheric Product (SiFSAP) Retrieval Algorithm

- SiFSAP is a physical-based OE retrieval algorithm
 - 3-modes: MW-only, IR-only, IR+MW-joint retrievals
 - Modular design and very fast
 - PCRTM enables use of all spectral information
 - Simultaneous retrieval of all atmospheric and surface properties
 - 9-times higher spatial resolution relative to cloud-clearing algorithm
 - Provides averaging kernel and error estimates on the retrieved products
- SiFSAP uses EOF (PC) to represent state vectors
 - Reduces dimensions
 - Can change PCs No. according to instrument information content
- SiFSAP uses only climatology a priori information
 - Independent of NWP models
- SiFSAP fits observed radiance spectrum directly
 - Radiometrically consistent is the key to quality products
- The SiFSAP products for CrIS/ATMS are available at NASA GES DISC since 2023





PBL Height from Dewpoint & Potential Temperature

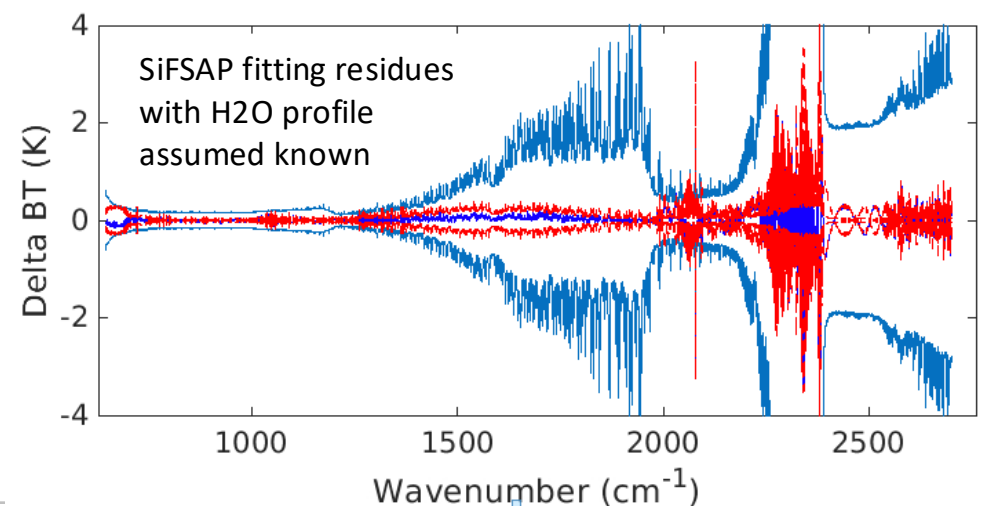
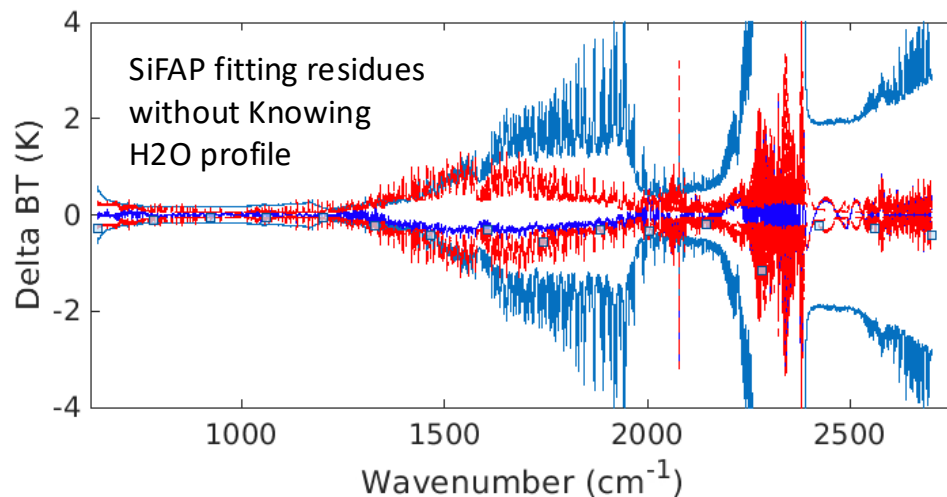


- Reanalysis PBL height may not be right for various reasons
- A good temperature and water vapor profiles can provide PBL height information independent of NWP models
- Jang et al. published a paper describing a method of using dewpoint and potential temperatures retrieved from SiFSAP NAST-I product
- Water vapor spectral lines from both IR and MW hyperspectral sounders have high information content
 - Better water vapor a priori or measurements such as those from HALO Dial water vapor lidar will improve sounder retrieval performance



Improving Temperature SiFSAP Retrievals with Known Water Profiles (Simulated retrieval studies)

- Simulation retrieval study performed using HRRR model T/H₂O which matches the NAST-I flight observation geometry and footprint size
 - NAST-I simulated radiance spectral calculated using PCRTM with HRRR model T/H₂O as input, random noise added Experiment 1: SiFSAP retrieval performed to retrieve T/H₂O profiles simultaneously
 - Experiment 2: SiFSAP retrieval performed with H₂O profile fixed to that of the HRRR

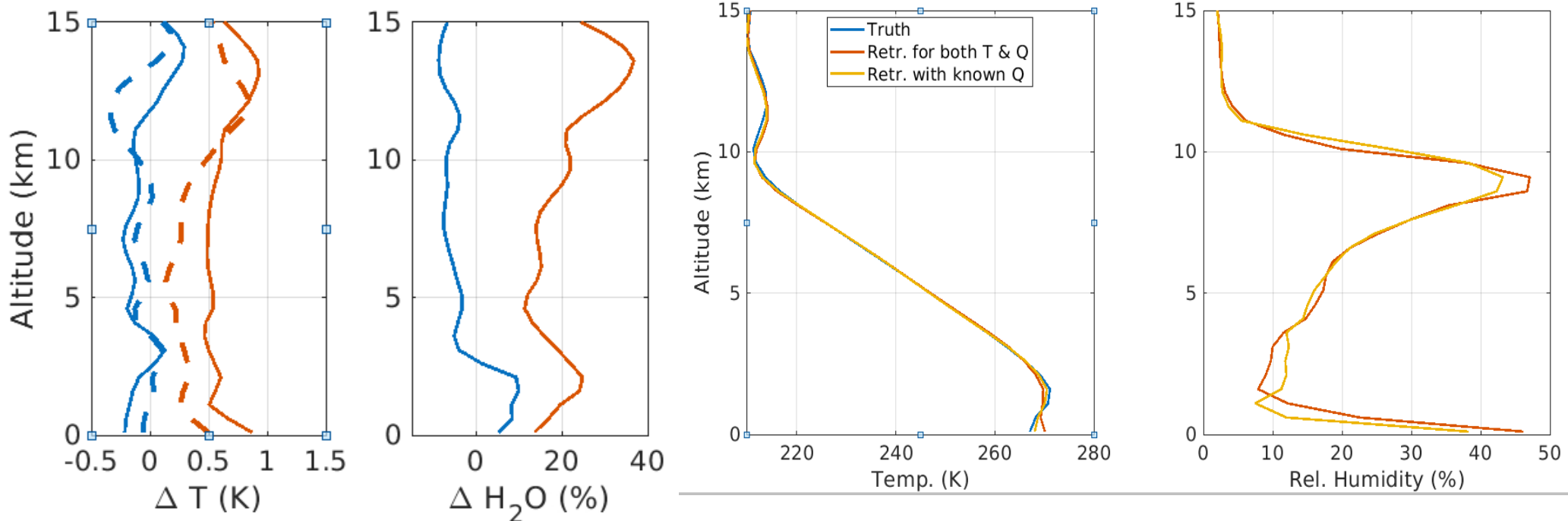




Improving Temperature SiFSAP Retrievals with Known Water Profiles (Simulated retrieval studies continued)

- Solid red line is RMS error when both T/H₂O are retrieved in SiFSAP
- Solid blue line is bias error when both T/H₂O are retrieved in SiFSAP
- Dashed red line is RMS error when H₂O is fixed to the truth
- Dashed blue line is the bias error when H₂O is fixed to the truth

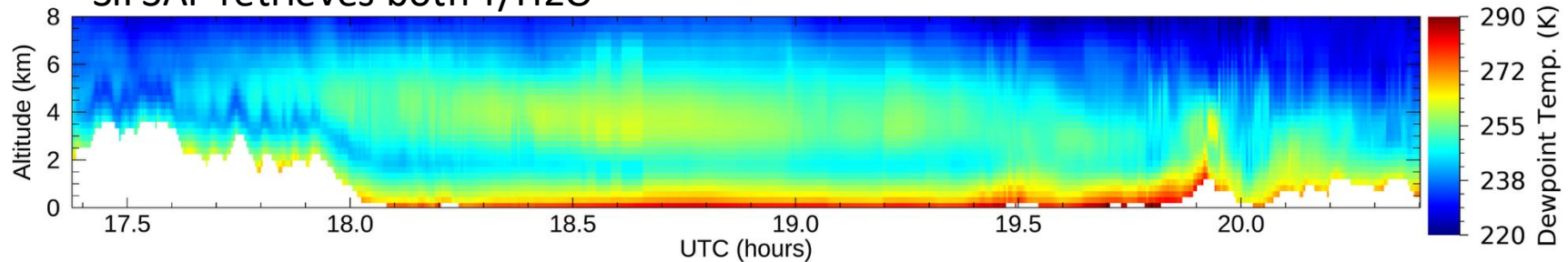
Example of improved PBL retrievals when H₂O profile is known



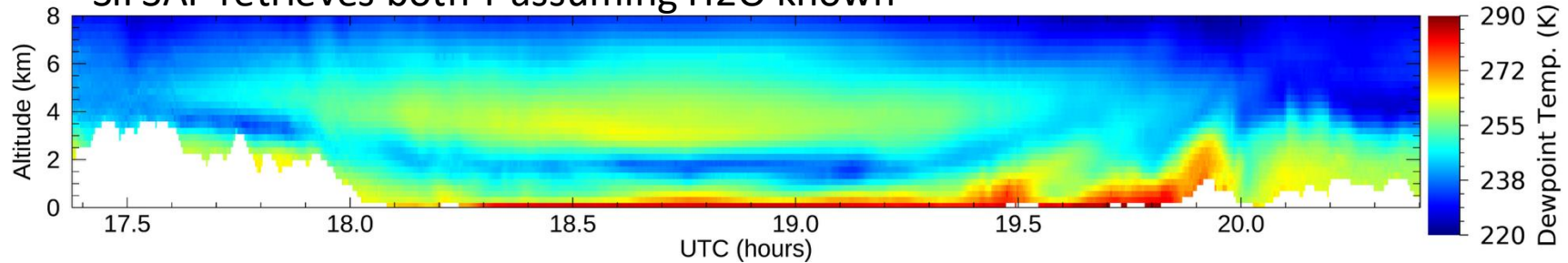


Improving Temperature SiFSAP Retrievals with Known Water Profiles (Simulated retrieval studies continued)

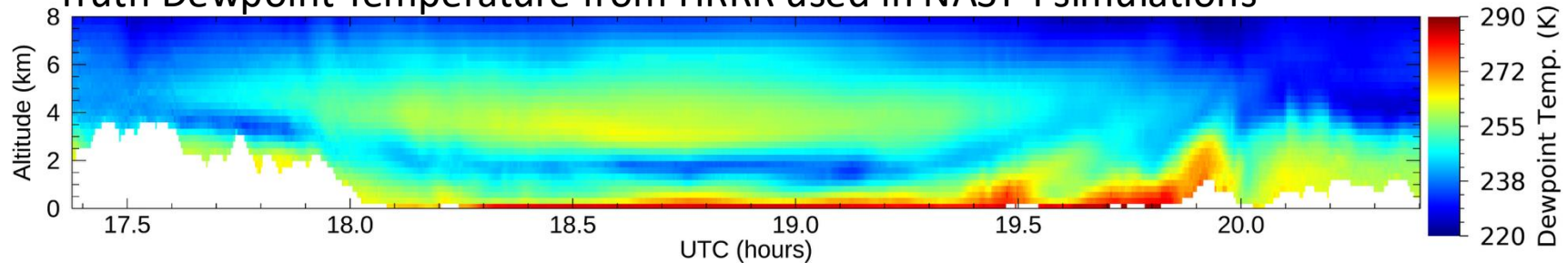
SiFSAP retrieves both T/H₂O



SiFSAP retrieves both T assuming H₂O known



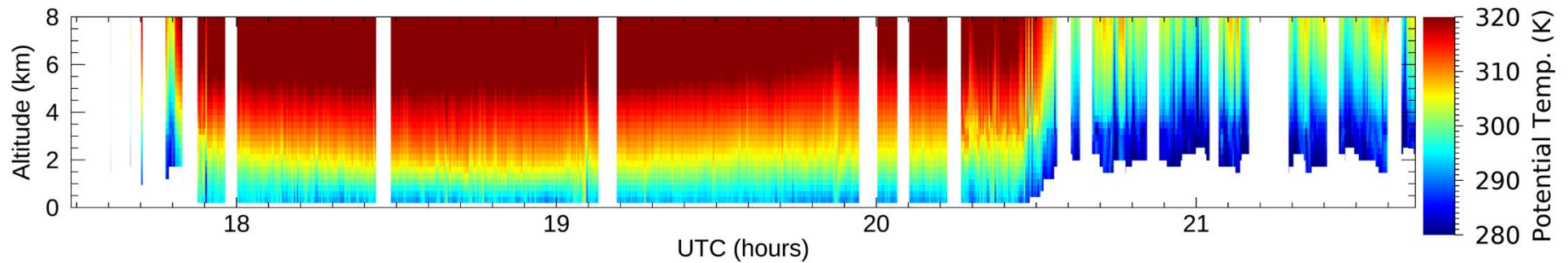
Truth Dewpoint Temperature from HRRR used in NAST-I simulations



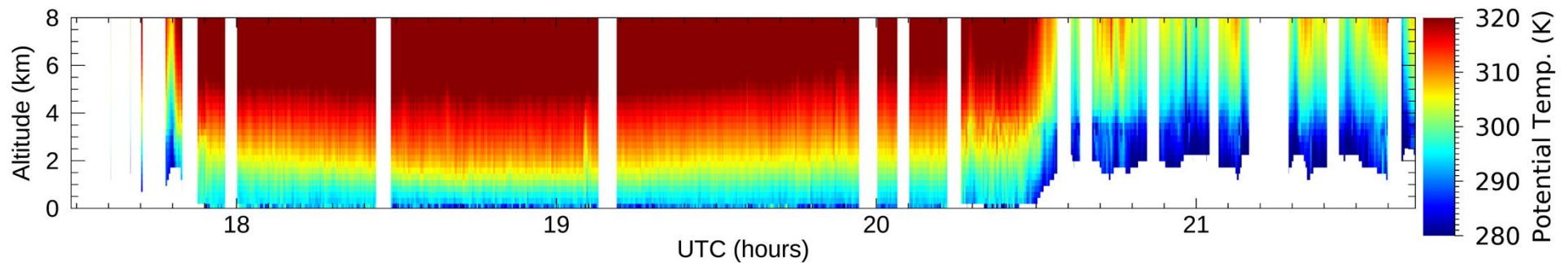


Improving Temperature SiFSAP Retrievals with Known Water Profiles (Real NAST-I data from WHyMSIE)

SiFSAP retrieves both
T/H₂O



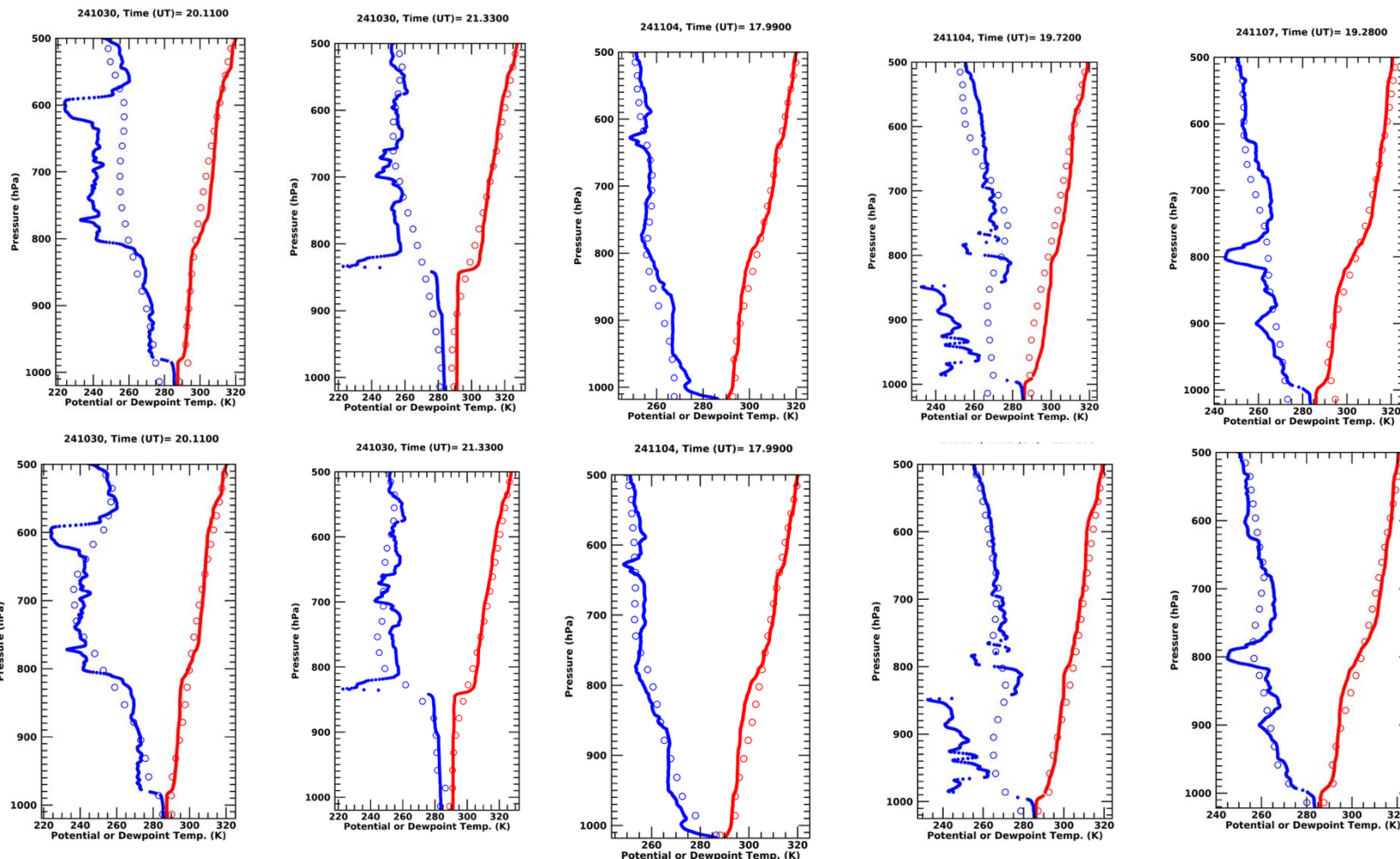
SiFSAP retrieves both T using HRRR H₂O
profile





Improving Temperature SiFSAP Retrievals with Known Water Profiles (Real NAST-I data from WHyMSIE continued)

Dewpoint and potential temperatures retrieved from NAST-I WHyMSIE data using SiFSAP (T/H₂O retrieved Simultaneously)



Improved retrievals when H₂O is fixed to that of HRRR



Summary and Conclusions

- COSMIR-H and ATMS PCRTM fast model developed
- SiFSAP has been modified to retrieve temperature profiles using both water vapor and CO₂ spectral lines (tested using both synthetic data and real NAST-I data)
- Better H₂O a priori will provide improved PBL retrievals.