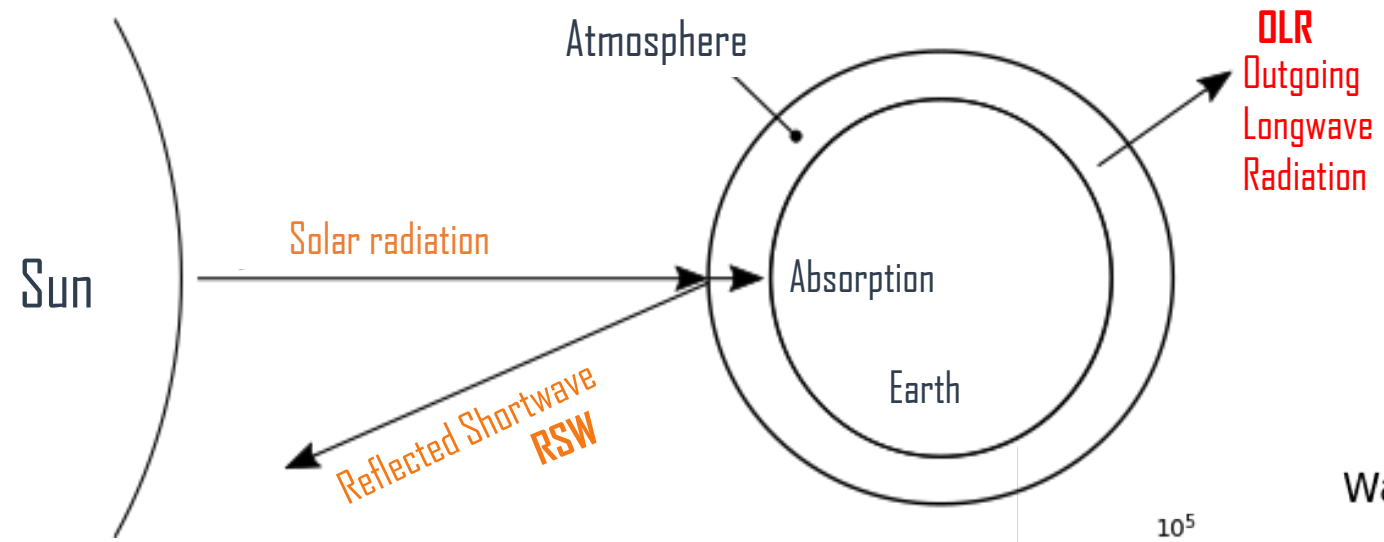


A satellite instrument is shown in space, with the Earth's horizon and atmosphere visible in the background. The instrument is a complex structure with various components and a long boom.

Radiative Flux Retrieval using IASI Instrument and Radiative Transfer Model

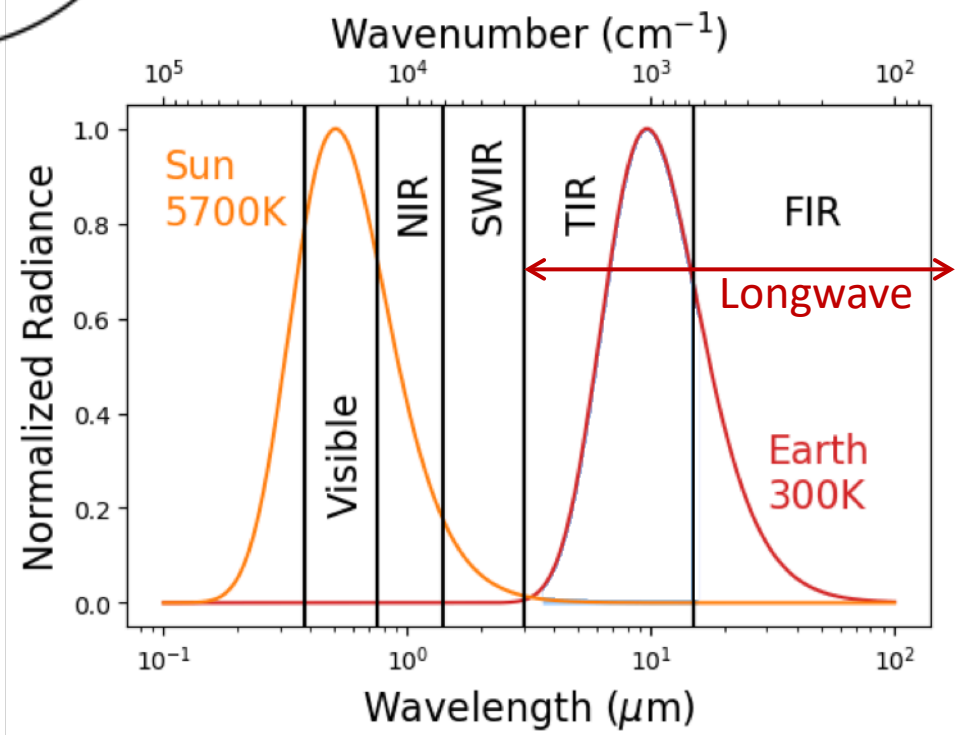
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Earth Radiative Budget



- The Earth system is in constant radiative equilibrium
 - Incoming solar radiation
 - Outgoing reflected shortwave (RSW)
 - Outgoing longwave radiation (OLR)
- This equilibrium is the main driver of the climate system

This work focuses on the longwave radiation



Radiative Flux Variables

- $I_\nu(P, \mu)$: spectral radiance at level P in the direction $\mu = \cos(\theta)$ at wavenumber ν

- **Directional longwave fluxes**

- $F^\uparrow(P) = 2\pi \int_{LW} \int_0^1 I_\nu(P, \mu) \mu d\mu d\nu$
- $F^\downarrow(P) = 2\pi \int_{LW} \int_0^1 I_\nu(P, -\mu) \mu d\mu d\nu$

- **Longwave net flux**

- $F(P) = F^\uparrow(P) - F^\downarrow(P)$

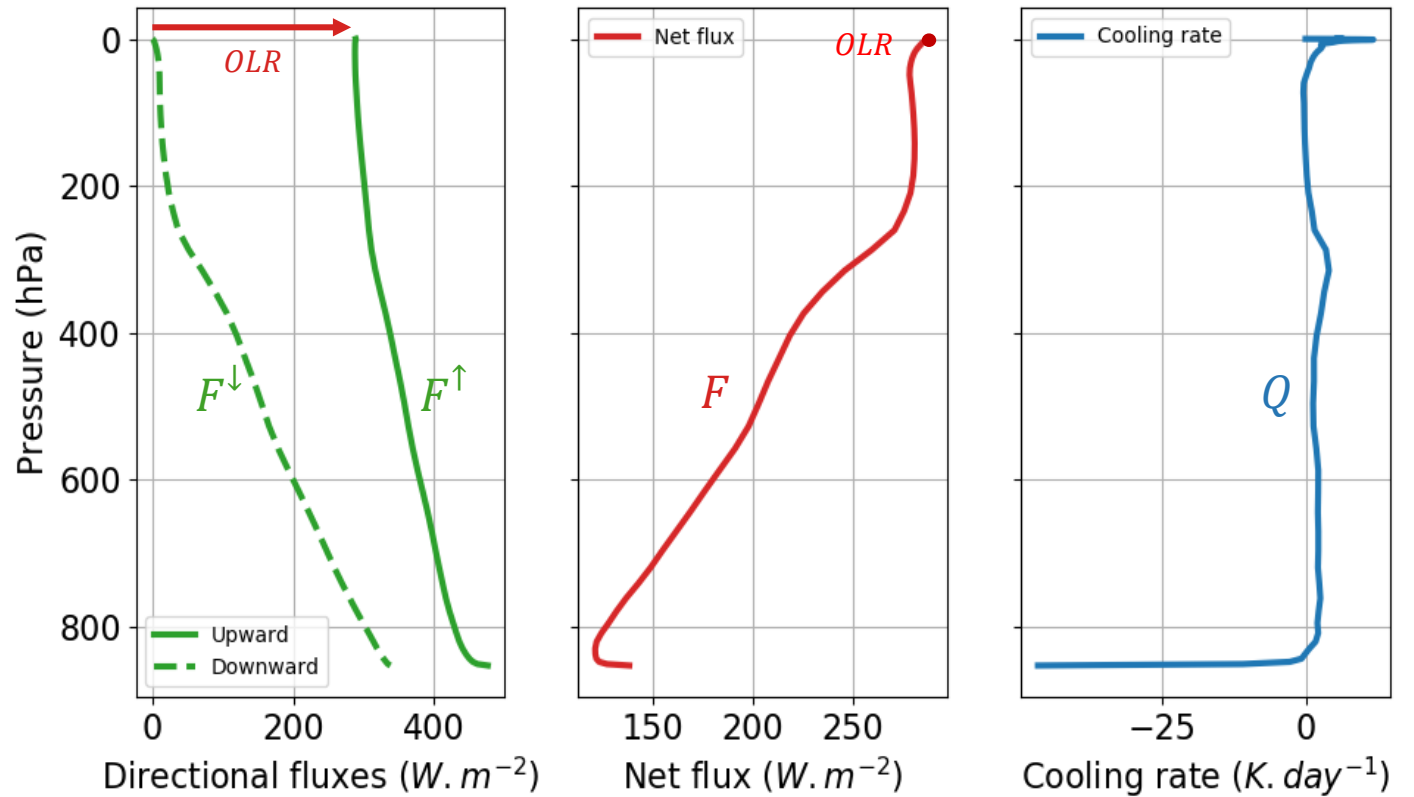
- **Outgoing longwave radiation**

- $OLR = F(P_{TOA})$

- **Longwave cooling rate**

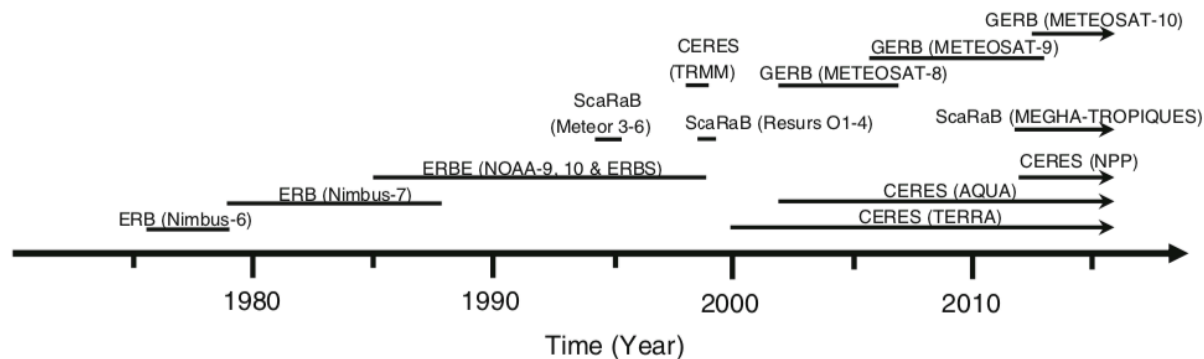
- $Q(P) = -\frac{g}{c_p} \frac{\partial F(P)}{\partial P}$

Longwave Fluxes and Cooling Rate [90 cm^{-1} – 3250 cm^{-1}]



Two kinds of spaceborne measurement of the OLR

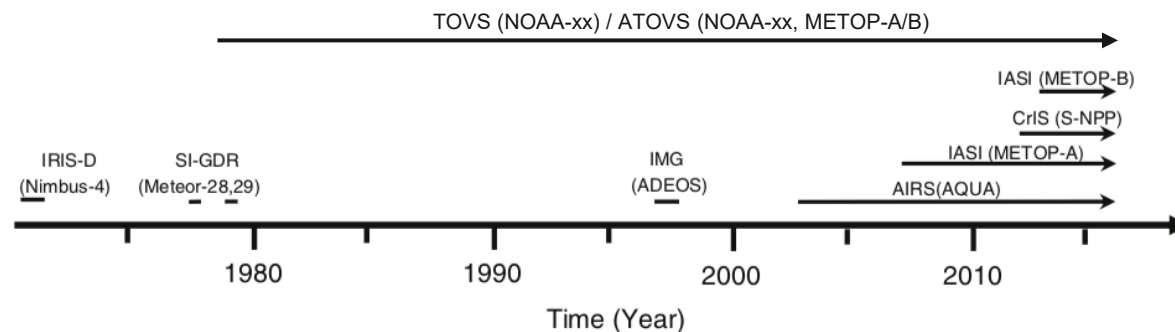
Broadband radiometers



- e.g. ERB, CERES, ScaRaB (1975-...)

IR sounders

Source : Brindley et Bantges (2013)



- Low resolution: e.g. TOVS/ATOVS (1978-...)
- High resolution: e.g. AIRS, IASI, CrIS (2002-...)

Broadband Radiometers	Accessible Variables	IR sounders
✓	TOA Net flux (DLR)	✓
x	Radiative Flux and cooling rate spectra	✓
x	Radiative Flux and cooling rate profiles	✓

- IASI combines a high **spectral and radiometric stability** and **long term coverage** (20 years)
- IASI offers a **continuous coverage** of the TIR spectrum from 645 to 2760 cm^{-1} (3,63 - 15,5 μm)
- IR Radiative flux estimation → One of the main objectives of IASI

How to estimate radiative flux from IASI measurements?

Adaptation of 4A radiative transfer code to compute the clear-sky radiative flux

- Radiative transfer model used : 4A/DP-2016
- For this study:
 - Use of **GEISA 2015** spectroscopic database
 - Angular integration performed using the E_3 exponential integral functions
 - Spectral integration performed on bands of 1 cm^{-1}



Participation of 4A to the Radiative Forcing Model Intercomparison Project (RFMIP)

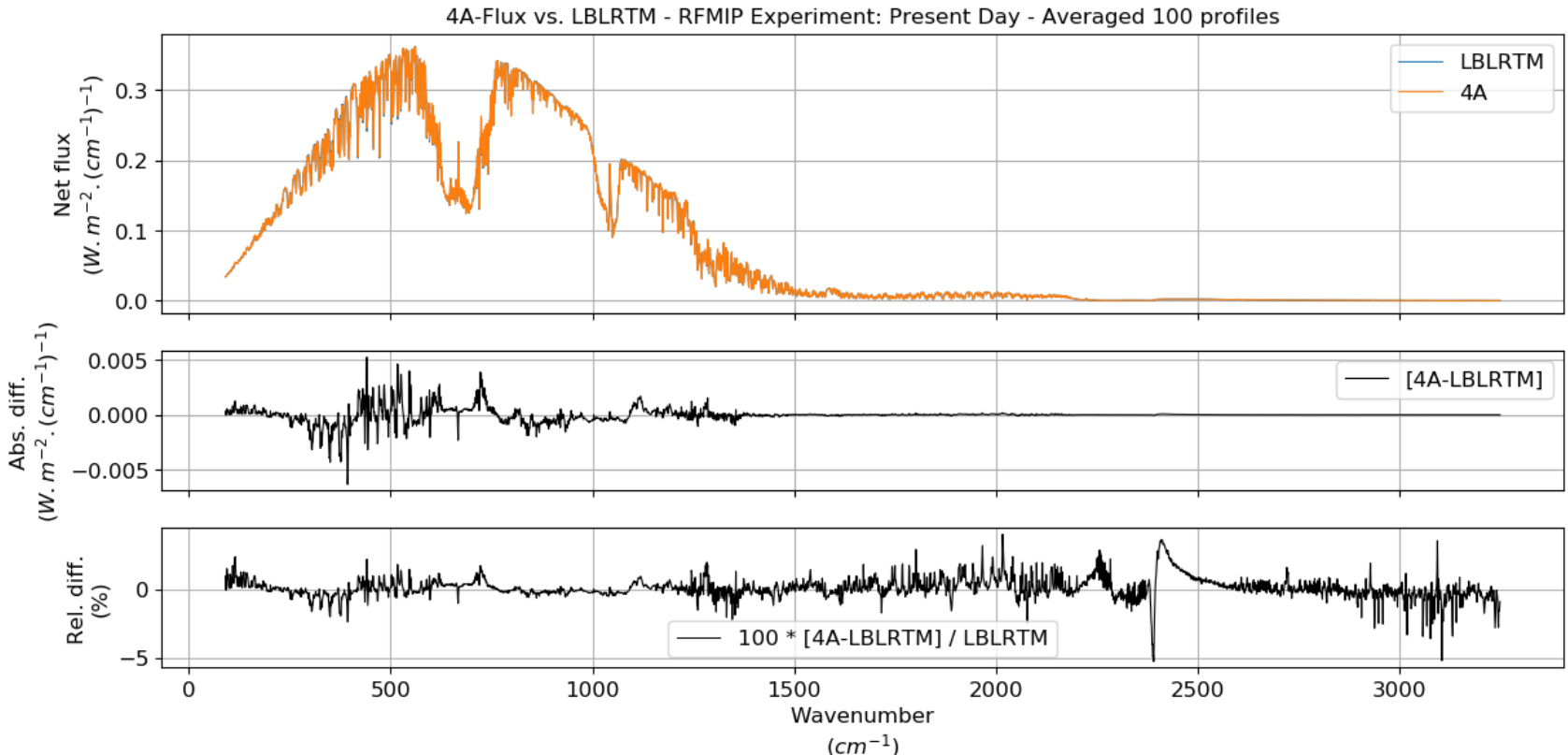
(cf. *Pincus et al. 2016*)

- Objectives no. 2 of RFMIP is assessing the absolute accuracy of clear-sky radiative transfer parameterizations on the global scales relevant for climate modeling
- Sample of **100 atmospheric conditions** that can be used to estimate time-averaged global-mean fluxes when the specified weights are used
- Intercomparison between several RTM

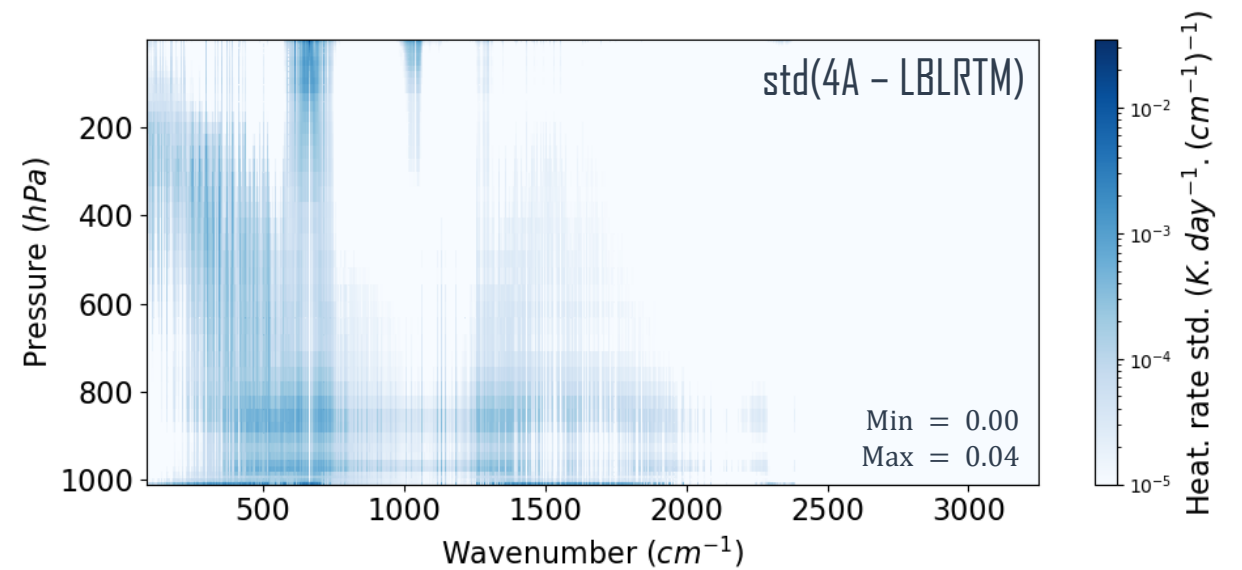
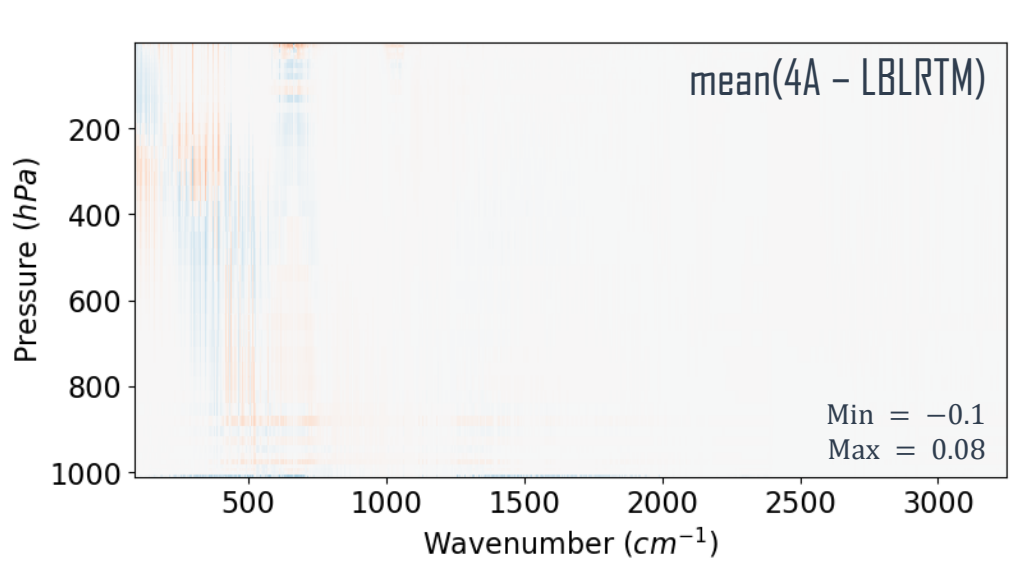
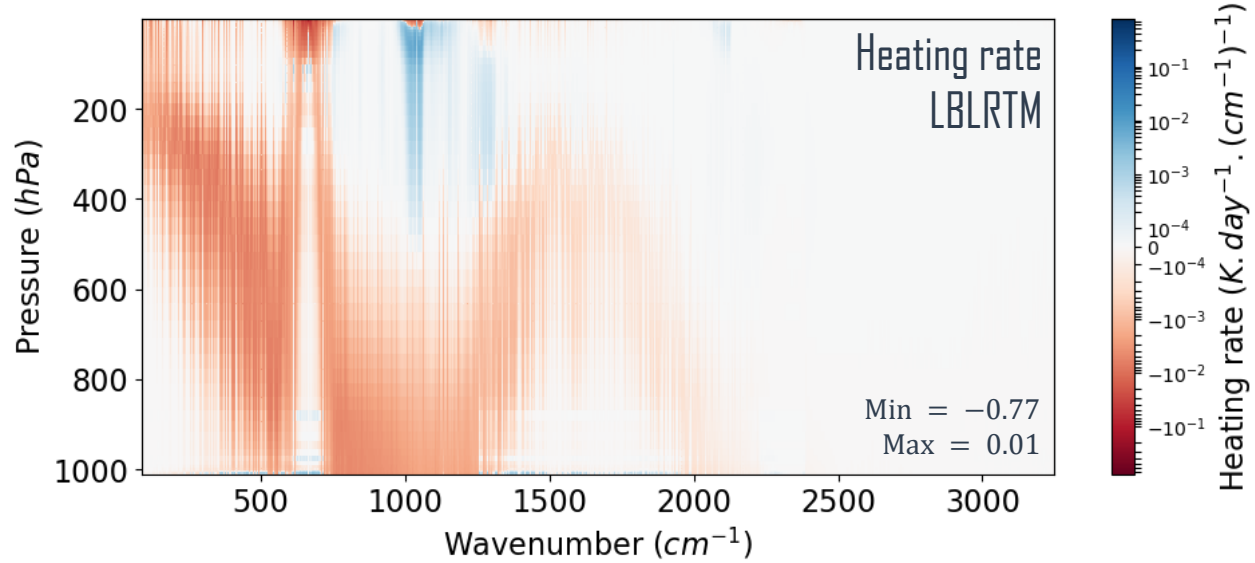
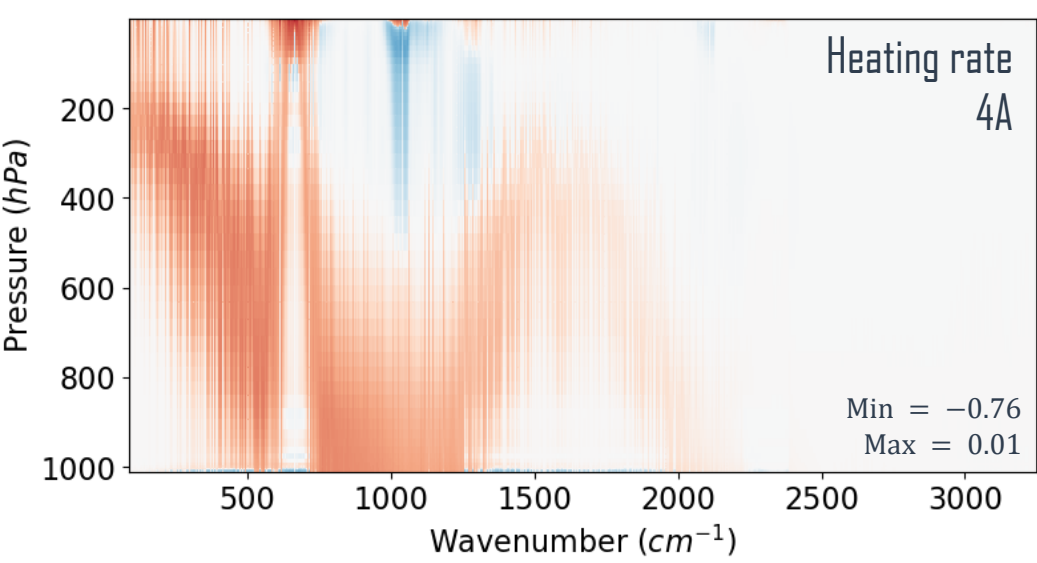
Intercomparison of the OLR between 4A and LBLRTM models

SPECTRALLY INTEGRATED OLR

OLR LBLRTM	$262.09 \pm 3.14 \text{ W.m}^{-2}$
OLR 4A	$262.06 \pm 3.14 \text{ W.m}^{-2}$
Delta OLR (4A-LBLRTM)	$-0.03 \pm 0.01 \text{ W.m}^{-2}$
Relative difference	-0.01%



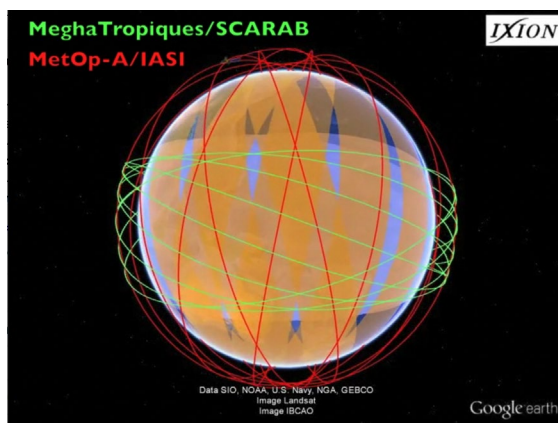
Vertical heating rate comparison on 100 averaged RFMIP atmospheres



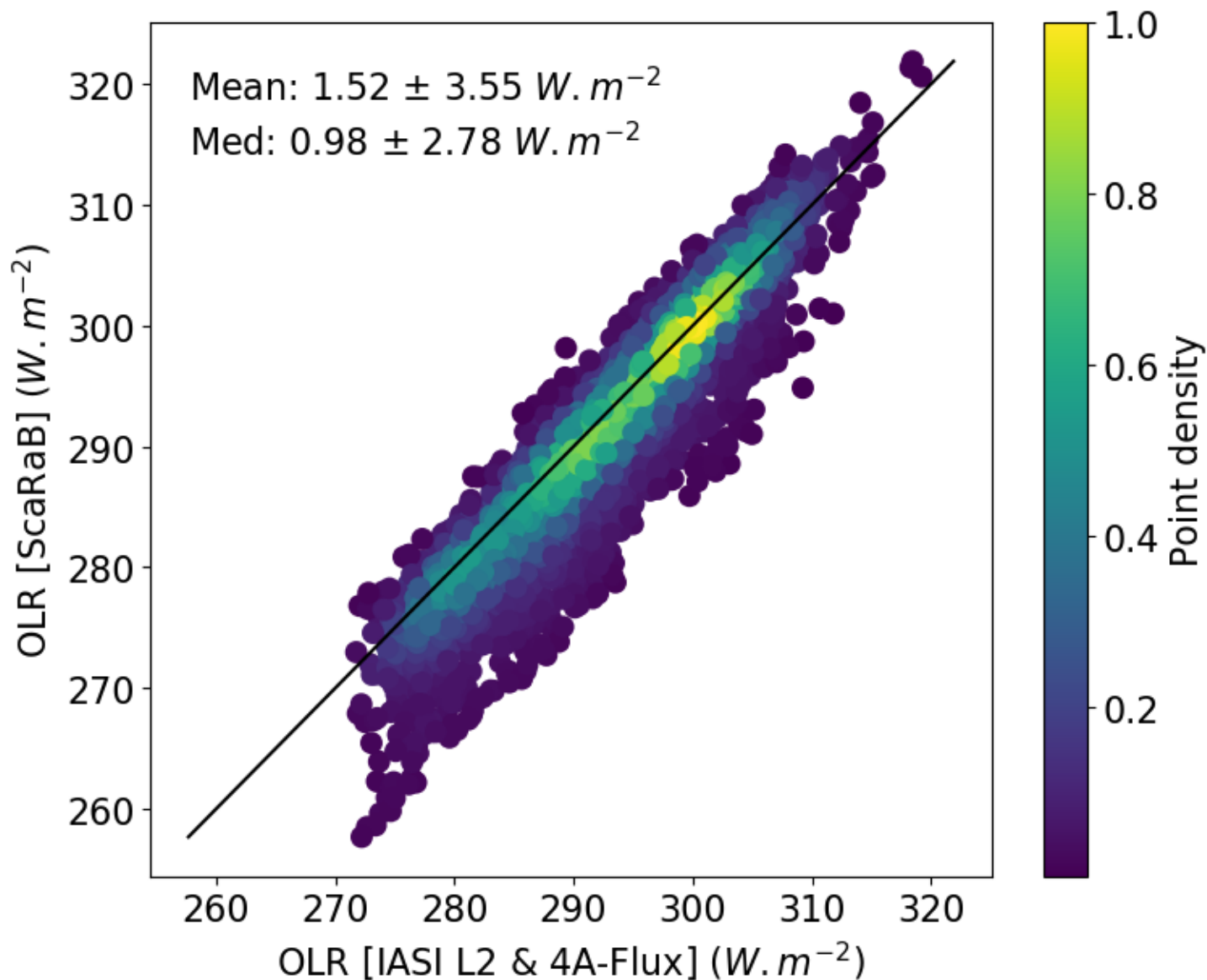
Comparison of 4A retrieval from IASI level 2 with ScaRaB OLR

Preliminary results

- 4263 IASI/ScaRaB collocated points for 2016
 - Maximum distance: 25 km
 - Maximum Timeshift: 4 hours
 - Ocean surface
 - Clear-sky observations
 - Instrument PSF not taken into account

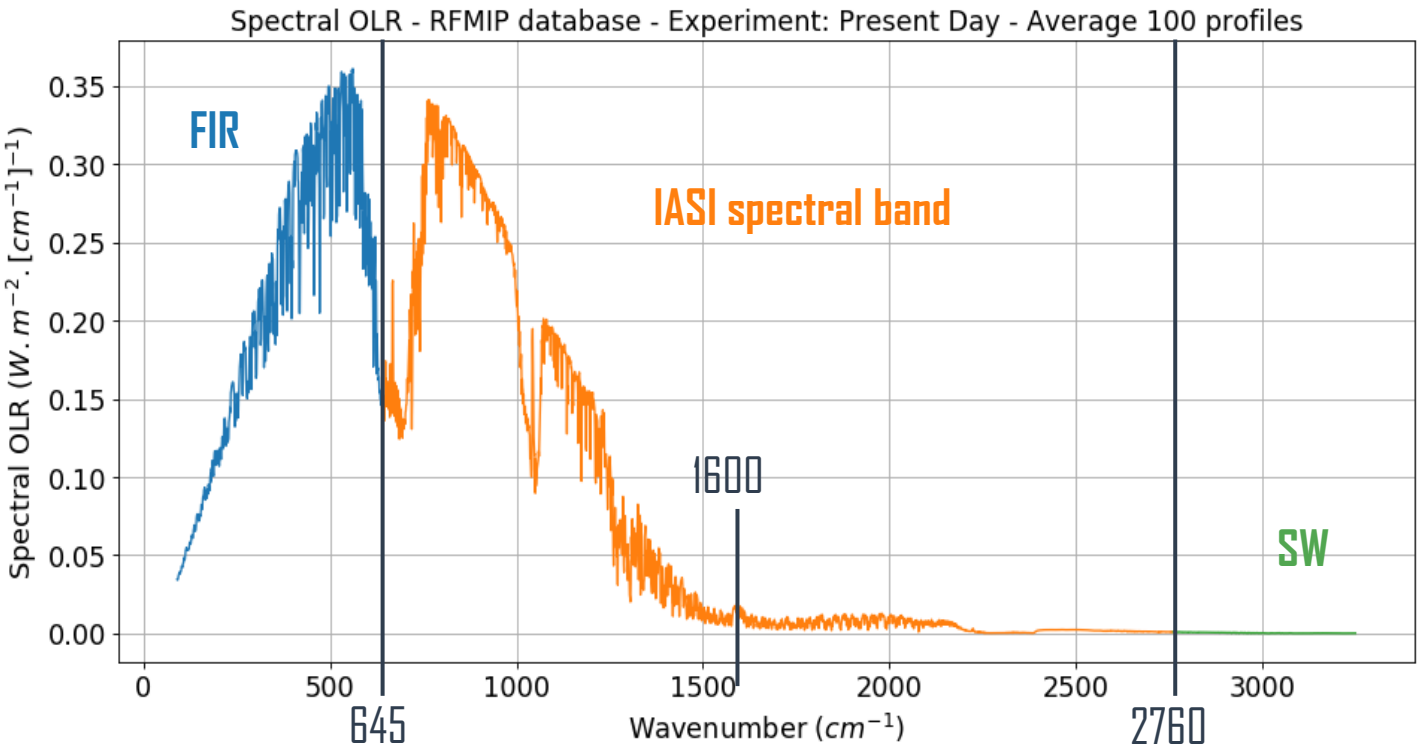


- Good agreement between ScaRaB OLR and flux from IASI
- Bias could be due to the presence of residual clouds



Radiative flux retrieval from IASI level 1c spectra

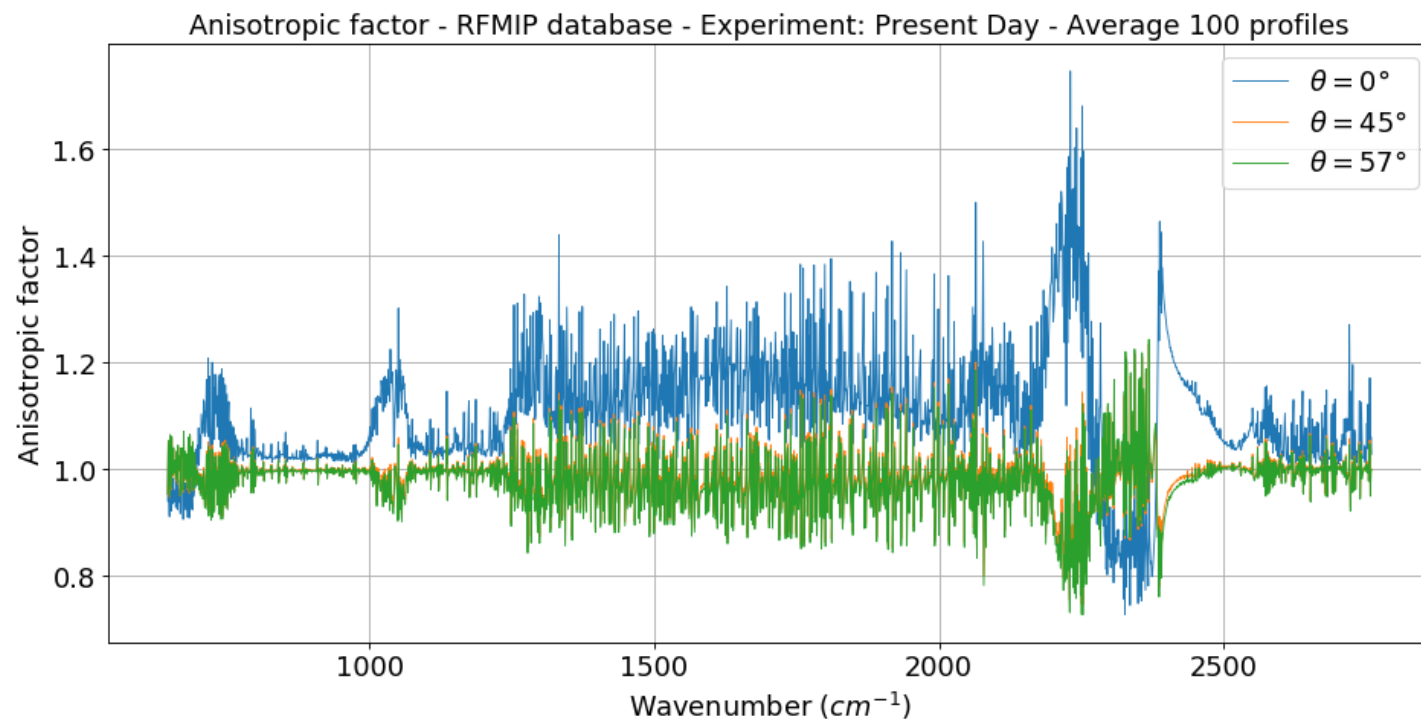
- Challenges using IASI measurement to retrieve radiative flux :
 - Spectral coverage:** The longwave spectrum is not entirely covered
 - IASI [645 - 2760] cm^{-1} - Longwave [10 - 3250] cm^{-1}



	Spectral band (cm ⁻¹)	Flux (W. m ⁻²)	Part (%)
FIR	90 - 645	116.13 ± 0.84	44.31
IASI	645 - 2760	145.79 ± 2.74	55.63
1 st segment	645 - 1600	140.72	53.70
2 nd segment	1600 - 2760	5.07	1.93
SW	2760 - 3250	0.14 ± 0.01	0.05

Radiative flux retrieval from IASI level 1c spectra

- Challenges using IASI measurement to retrieve radiative flux :
 - **Spectral coverage**: The longwave spectrum is not entirely covered
 - IASI [645 – 2760] cm^{-1} – Longwave [10 – 3250] cm^{-1}
 - **Angular measurement**: The measurement is not performed at all angles
 - IASI measures radiances with angles ranging from 0° to 57° – integration over all angles is required



- Angular distribution model defined by the anisotropic factor (Huang et al. 2008):

$$R_\nu(\theta) = \frac{\pi I_\nu(\theta)}{F_\nu}$$

Next steps and summary

Next steps

- To directly and efficiently retrieve radiative fluxes from IASI level 1c spectra : An artificial neural network is being implemented
- The learning database will be produced thanks to 4A applied on the TIGR atmospheric database



Summary

- 4A RTM have been adapted to compute radiative flux and vertical cooling rate
- RFMIP: Comparison between 4A and other RTM are being performed
- A first comparison between DLR simulated from IASI L2 and measured by ScaRab instrument shows good agreement
- Thanks to this method the impact of variation of parameters on the flux can be assessed



Thank you for your attention

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