



Constrained Bias Correction (CBC) For Satellite Radiance Assimilation

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Outline

- Background

- The bias correction is an ill-posed problem
- Two Remain Issues of bias correction
- Efforts has been done

$$\delta J = \left\langle \frac{\partial J}{\partial \mathbf{y}}, \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_b - \mathbf{b} \right\rangle$$

- Methodology

***FSO: Forecast sensitivity to observation
Over or under bias correction could lead to negative impact***

- Use of priori information as constraint: **Constrained BC (CBC)**
- Implementation in VarBC
- Implementation in offline BC

- Experiments of CBC in GRAPES

- Consideration of imperfect QC: AMSUA Ch4
- Consideration of imperfect model: AMSUA Ch9
- Impact on forecasts

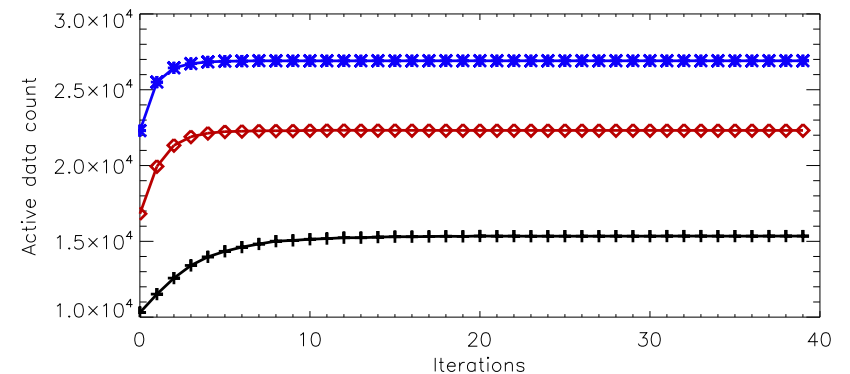
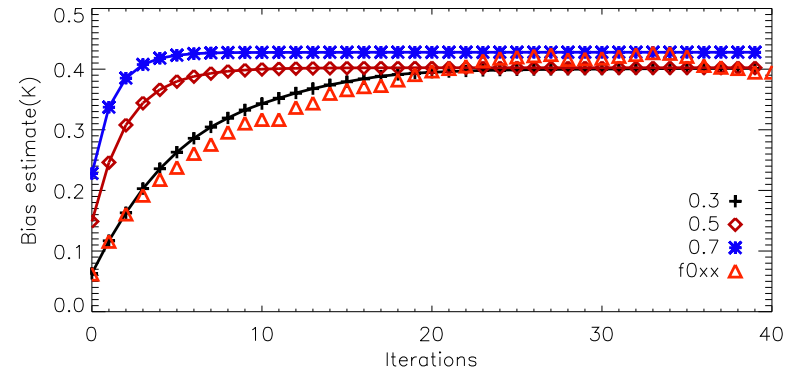
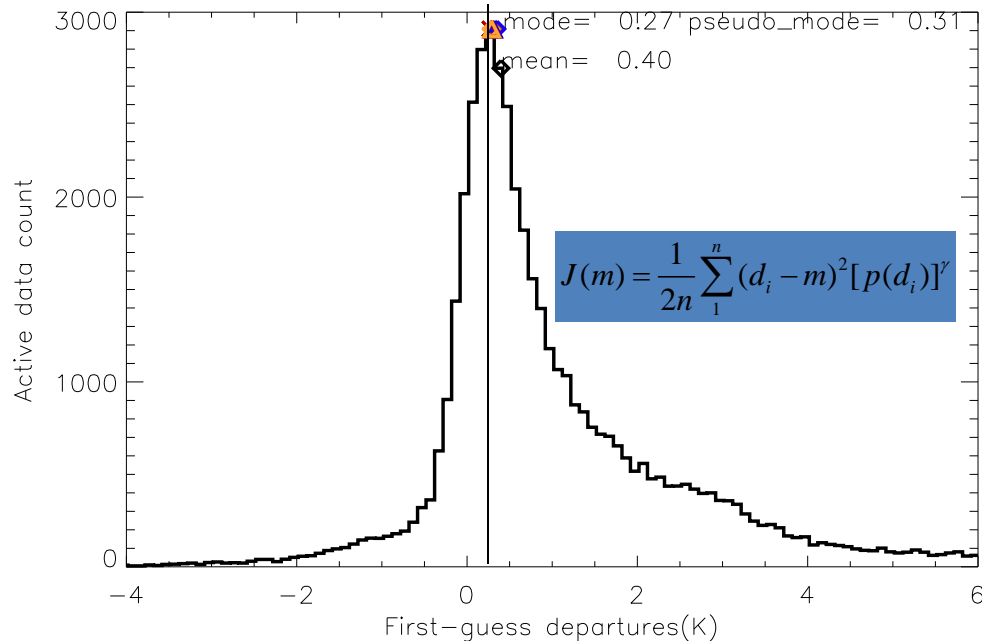
- Discussions and Further Plan

Background

- The bias correction is an ill-posed problem: O-B?
 - There is no absolute calibration of satellite instruments on orbit
 - There is no truth of the atmosphere
 - How to separate observation bias from model bias using O-B?
- Two main issues
 - **Imperfect QC affected BC: QC and BC interaction**
 - Window channel: cloud contamination
 - **Model bias**
 - Temperature sounding channel in stratosphere
 - Trace gas sounding channel, e.g. IASI Ozone channels
 - Developing models : GRAPES

Background--Efforts been done for **QC feedback**

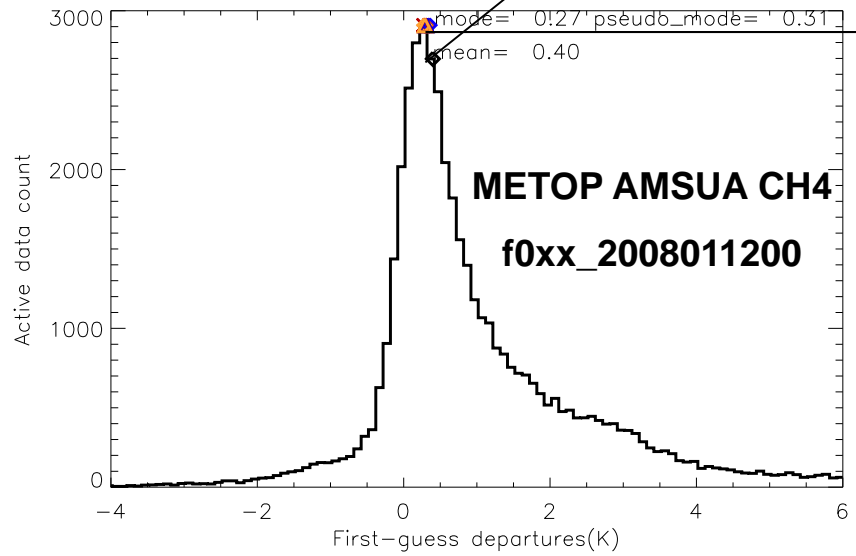
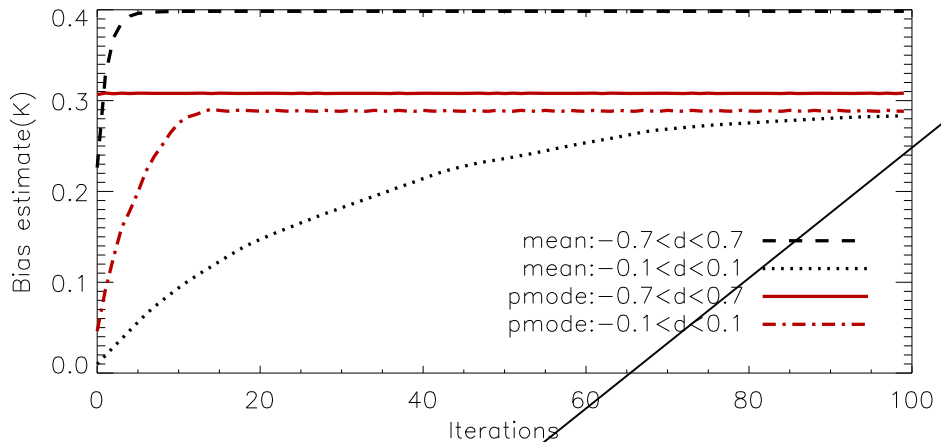
- Imperfect QC
 - Warm tail for microwave window channel departures O-B
 - Cold tail for IR window channel departures O-B
 - Over correction on observations by Least Square based estimation
- Using mode
 - Han and McNally 2008
 - Li ,McNally and Geer,2010



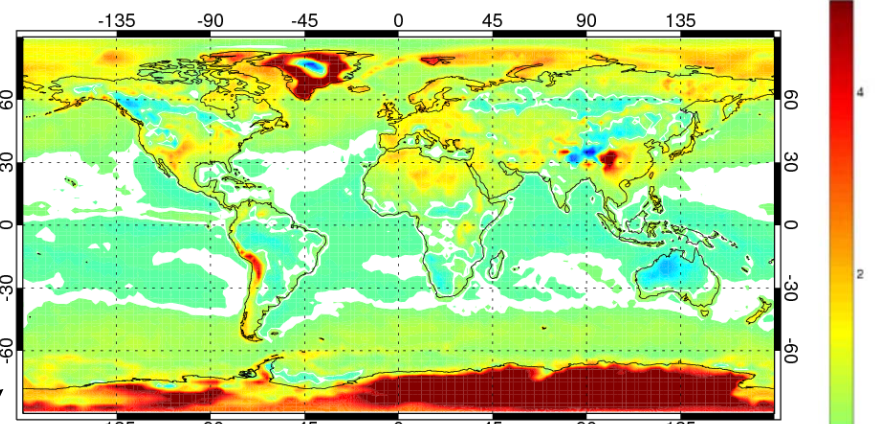
Han and McNally,2008

Impact of over bias correction

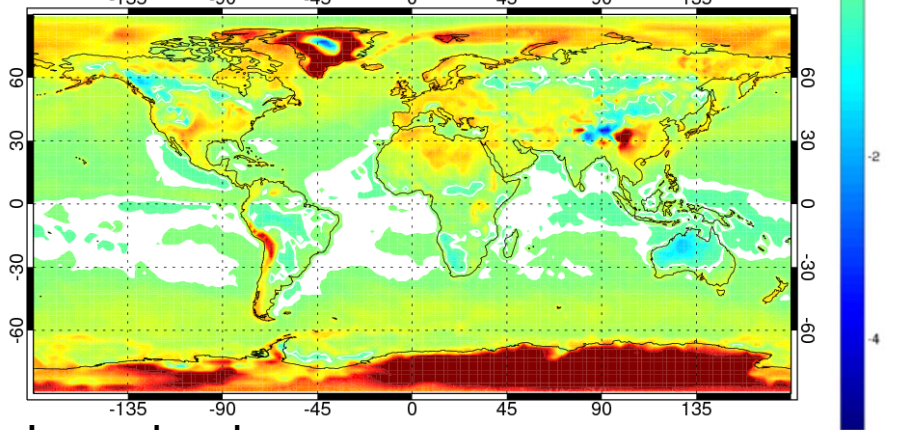
Mean: If bias is estimated by $\langle O-B \rangle$, It will strongly depend on the QC,
 $0.7 \rightarrow b=0.4$; $0.1 \rightarrow b=0.28$



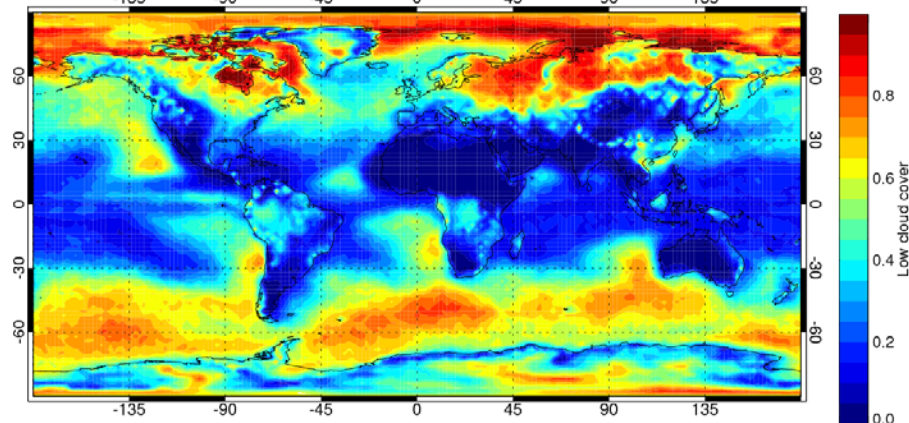
Mean Based 2007D08JF,ECMWF,IFS



Mode Based



Low cloud cover



Background--Efforts been done for **model error**

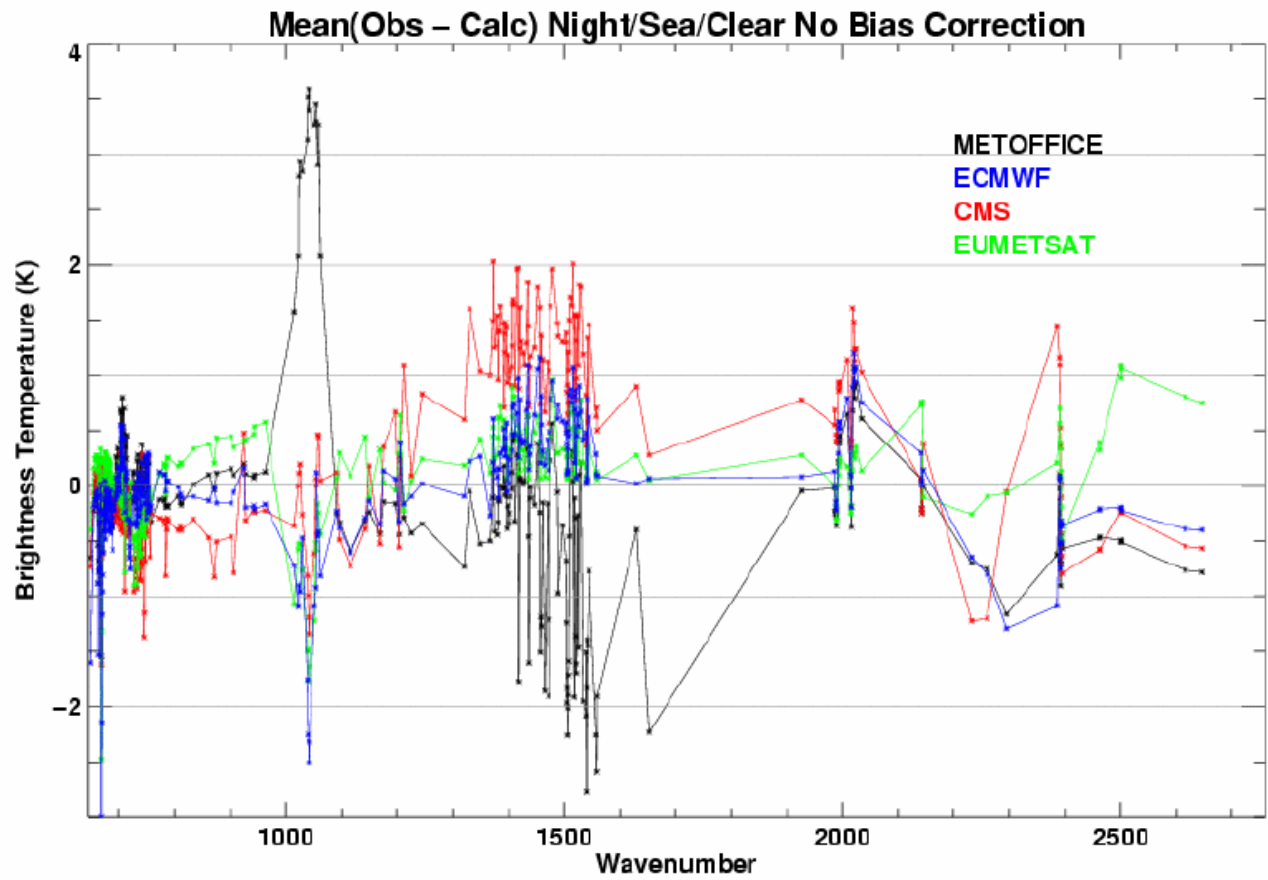
- Using “UNBIASED” observations
 - *Radiosonde mask (Eyre 1992)*
 - *Radiosonde profile (Joiner and Rokke 2000;Kozo et al.,2005)*
 - *GPS RO temperature sounding (Zou et al.,2014)*
- VarBC using all other un-corrected observations
 - *Derber and Wu 1998; Dee 2004; Auligne et al.2007*
- Anchor channel
 - *AMSUA Ch14 (McNally,2007)*
 - *IASI ozone channel (Han and McNally,2010)*
- Bias model selection: Constrain the freedom of bias predictor
 - *Freedom of the predictor*
 - *Absorption correction (Watts and McNally 2004)*
 - *Frequency correction (Lu et al.,2011)*

Comparison of IASI radiances with NWP models from four operational centres

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How to separate observation bias from O-B?



Courtesy of Fiona Hilton, ITSC16

Radiance priori information: bias and uncertainty

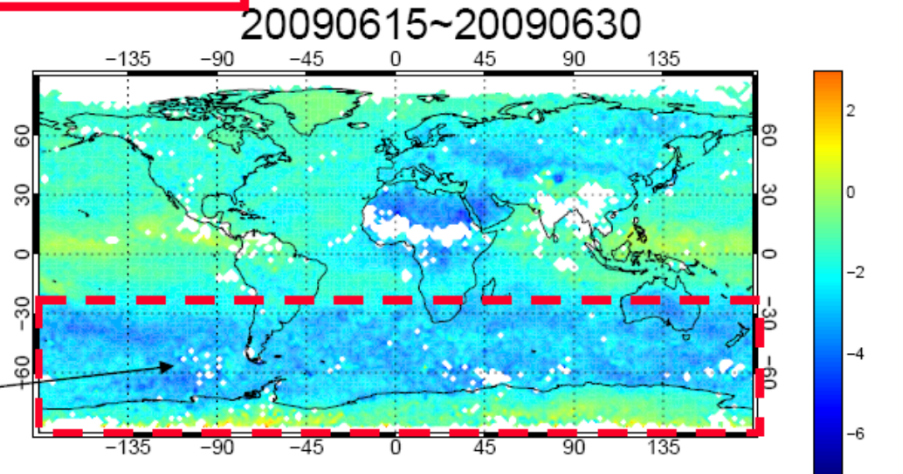
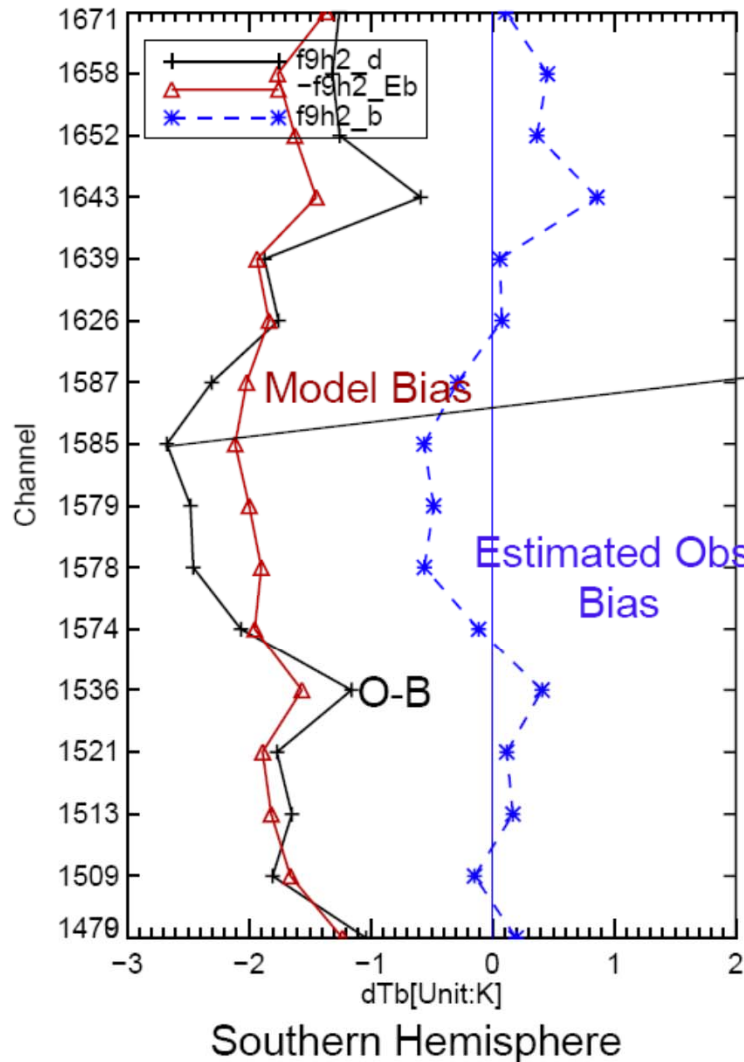
MLS → Model Bias and Obs. Bias

$$d = Y_o - Hx = (Y_t + b) - H(X_t + E_b)$$

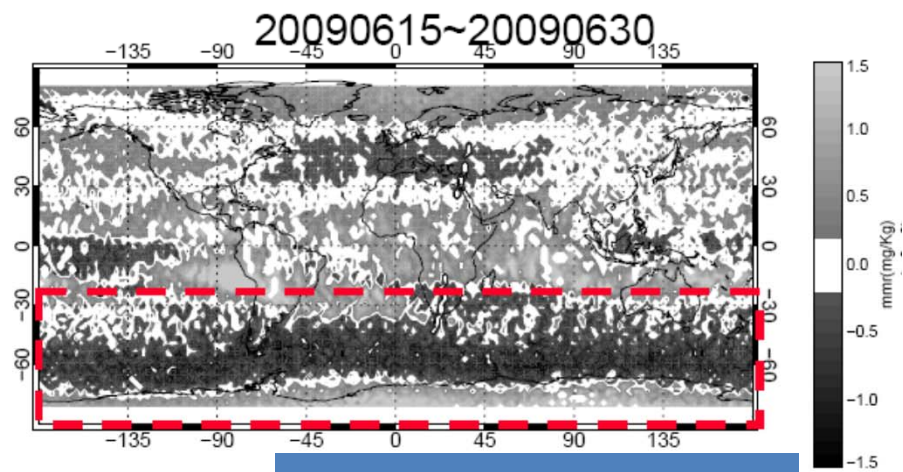
$$\langle d \rangle = \langle b \rangle - H(E_b)$$

$$\langle b \rangle = \langle d \rangle + H(E_b)$$

$\langle O-B \rangle, CH1585$



$\langle X_a - \text{MLS} \rangle, 30-50\text{hPa}$

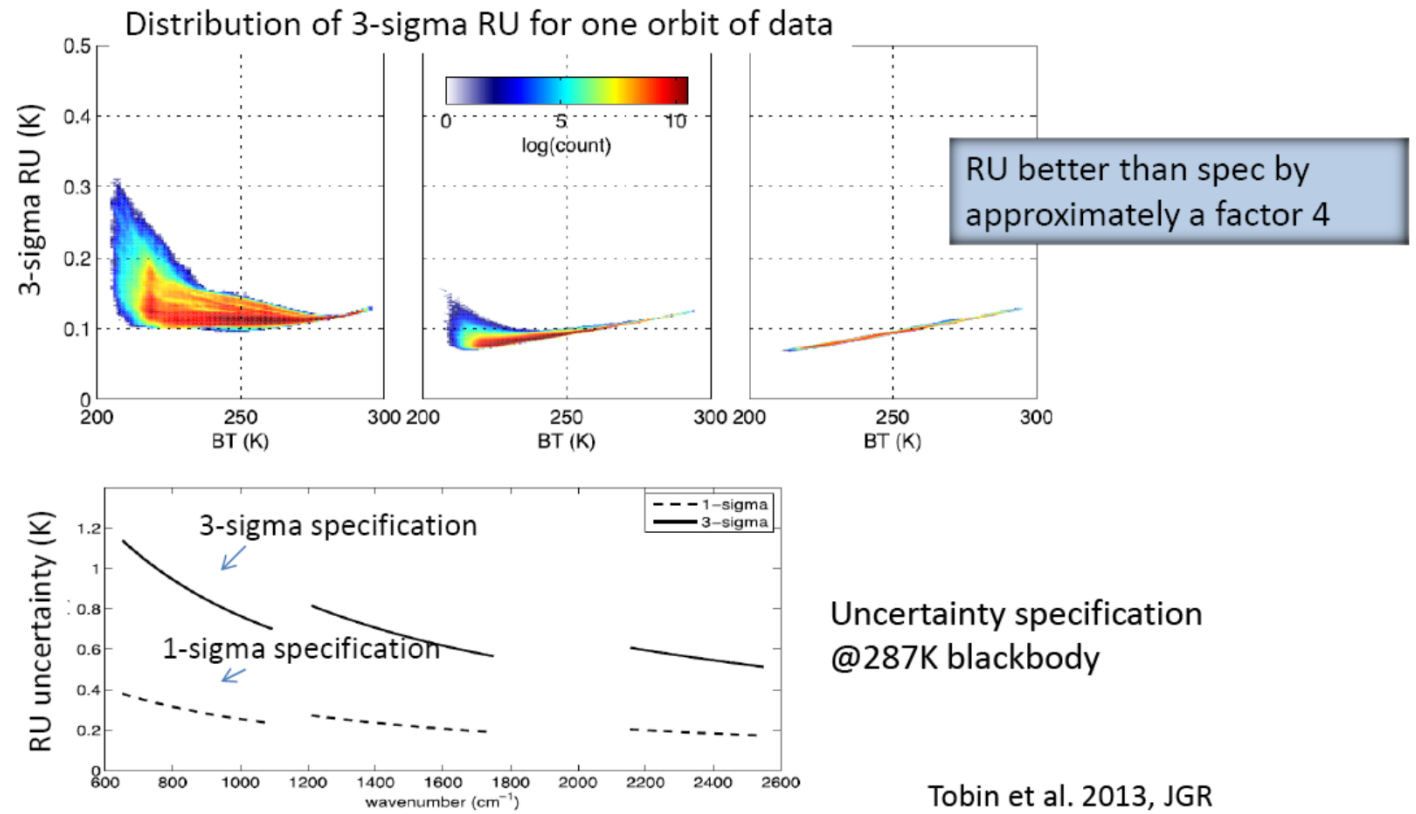


Han and McNally, 2010

Connection between BC and Calibration

- Account for the calibration uncertainty in BC

Radiometric Uncertainty (RU)



Methodology

$$\begin{aligned} 2J(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) = & (\mathbf{x}_b - \mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{B}_x^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_b - \mathbf{x}) \\ & + \gamma_b (\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_b)^T \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_b) \\ & + [\mathbf{y} - H(\mathbf{x}) - h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta})]^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} [\mathbf{y} - H(\mathbf{x}) - h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta})] \\ & + \gamma [h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) - b_0]^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} [h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) - b_0] \end{aligned}$$

γ : Regularization parameter $\gamma \geq 0$

\mathbf{b}_0 : Priori estimate of observation bias

\mathbf{R}_b : Priori estimate uncertainty

$\boldsymbol{\beta}_b$: Background predictor coefficients

\mathbf{B}_β : Background predictor coefficients uncertainty

Adaptive

Use of PRIORI information
Radiometric Uncertainty
RT model Uncertainty

Constrained Bias Correction (CBC) scheme

$$\begin{aligned}
 2J(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) &= (\mathbf{x}_b - \mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{B}_x^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_b - \mathbf{x}) \\
 &+ \gamma_b (\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_b)^T \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_b) \\
 &+ [\mathbf{y} - H(\mathbf{x}) - h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta})]^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} [\mathbf{y} - H(\mathbf{x}) - h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta})] \\
 &+ \gamma [h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) - b_0]^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} [h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) - b_0]
 \end{aligned}
 \qquad
 \begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{d} &= \mathbf{y} - H(\mathbf{x}) \\
 \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\beta} &= h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} J(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) &= \gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_b) - \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\beta}] + \gamma \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} [\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\beta} - b_0] \\
 &= (\gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} + \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{P} + \gamma \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} \mathbf{P}) \boldsymbol{\beta} - (\gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} \boldsymbol{\beta}_b + \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d} + \gamma \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} b_0)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} J(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{z}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{A} &= \gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} + \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{P} + \gamma \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} \mathbf{P} \\
 \mathbf{z} &= \gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} \boldsymbol{\beta}_b + \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d} + \gamma \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} b_0
 \end{aligned}$$

VarBC, Regression BC and Constrained BC(CBC)

$$\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{z}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} + \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{P} + \gamma \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} \mathbf{P}$$

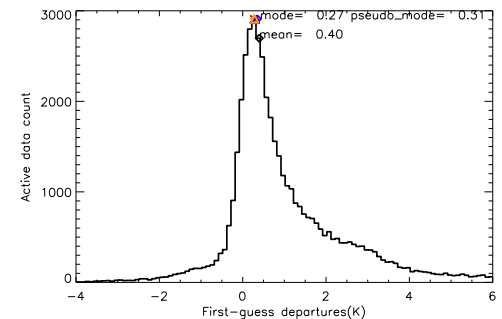
$$\mathbf{z} = \gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} \boldsymbol{\beta}_b + \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d} + \gamma \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}_b^{-1} \mathbf{b}_0$$

$$\gamma_b = 0, \gamma = 0, \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{d} \quad \text{Linear Regression BC}$$

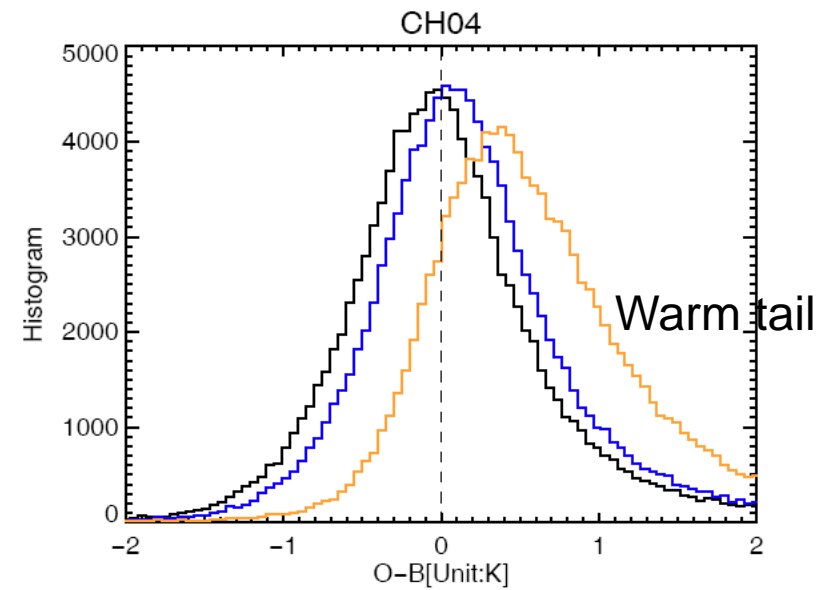
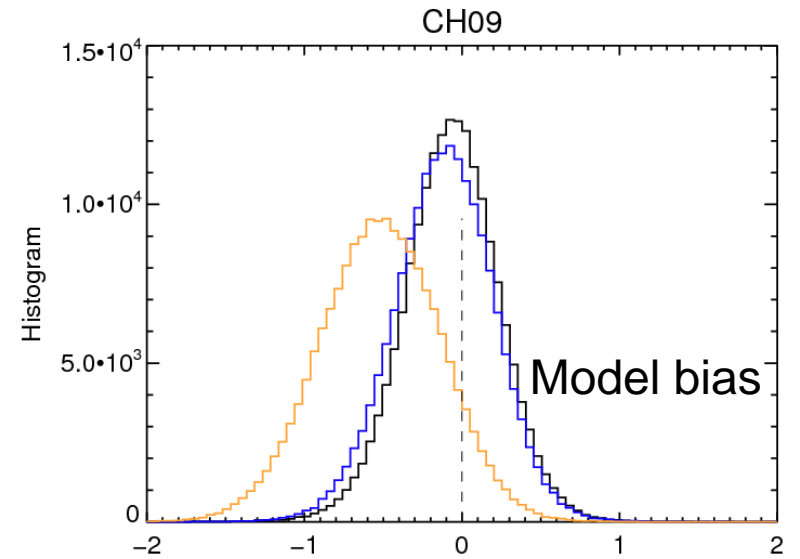
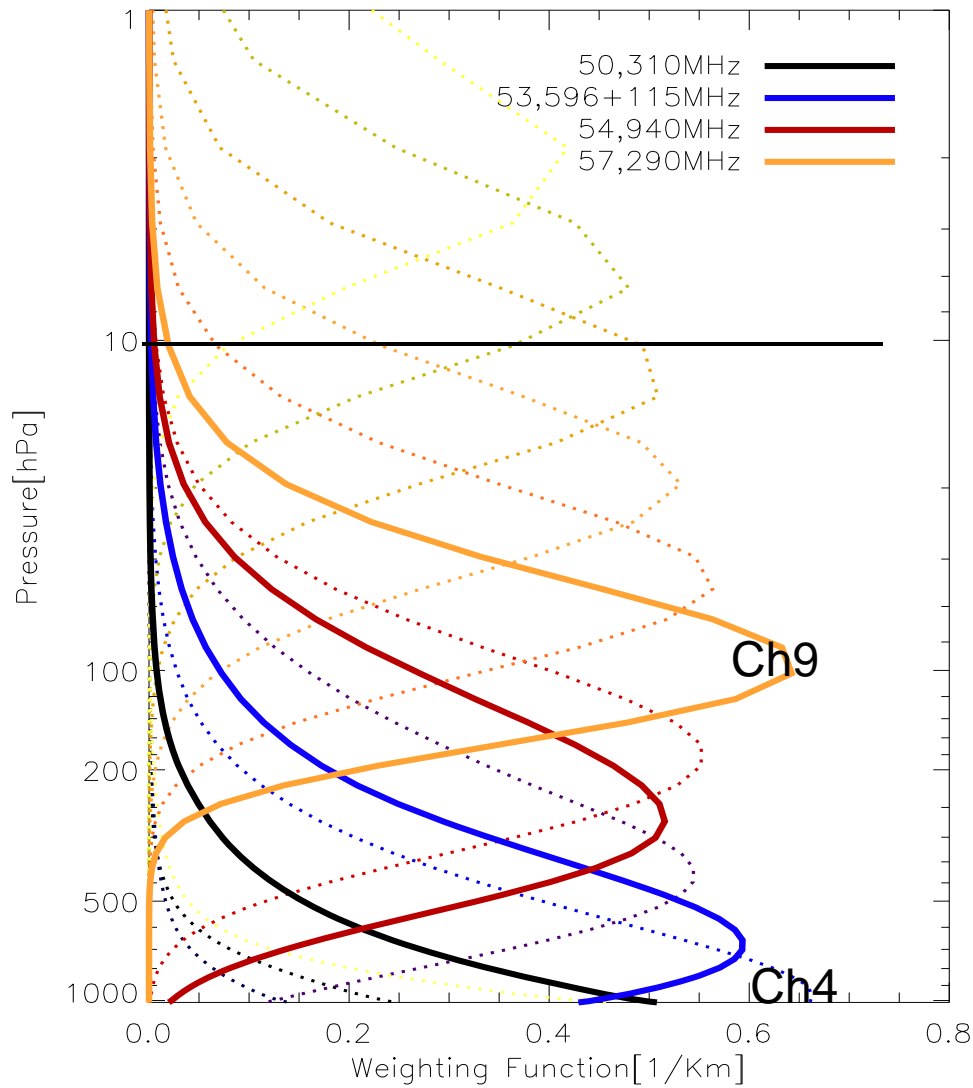
$$\gamma_b = 1, \gamma = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} J(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \gamma_b \mathbf{B}_\beta^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_b) - \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\beta}] \quad \text{VarBC}$$

For the simplest example, with a global constant as predictor:

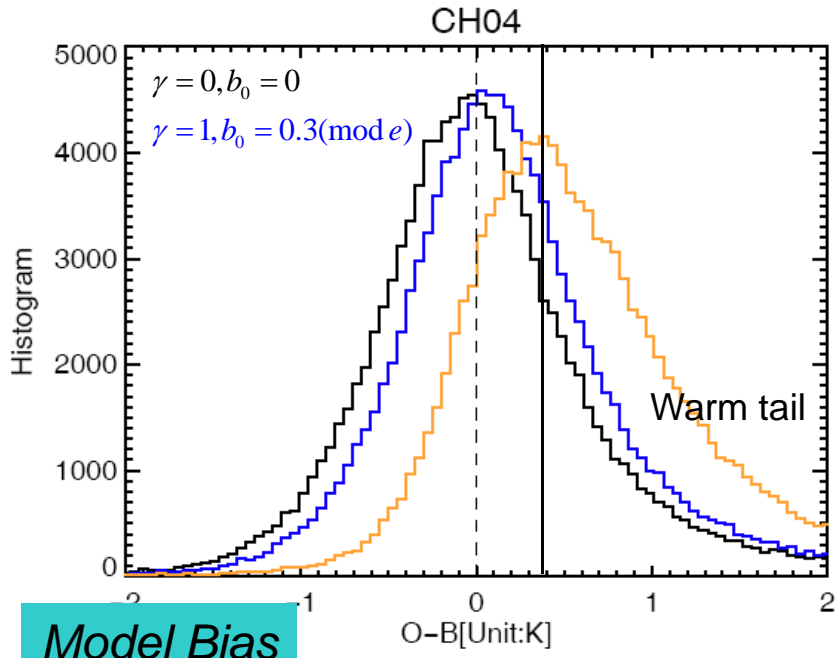
$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{1}, \boldsymbol{\beta} = \beta_0, \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}_b = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta_0 = \frac{1}{1 + \gamma} \sum_{i=1}^N (d + \gamma b_0)_i$$



Experiments of CBC in GRAPES

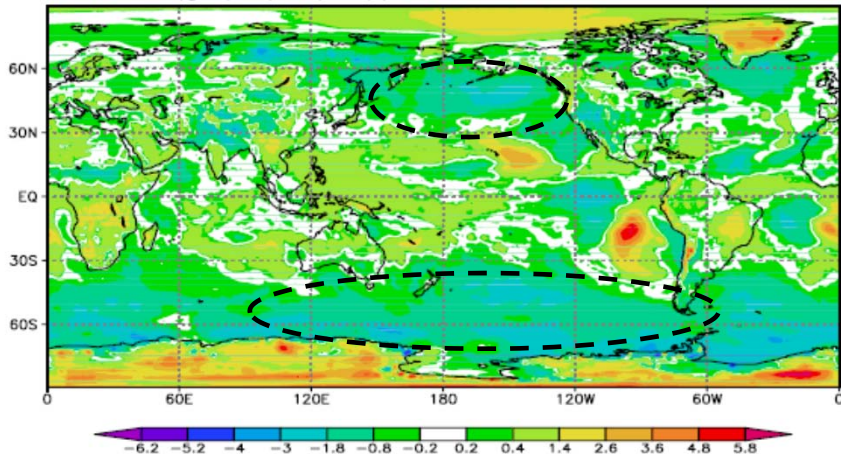


AMSUA CH4(Metop_A)

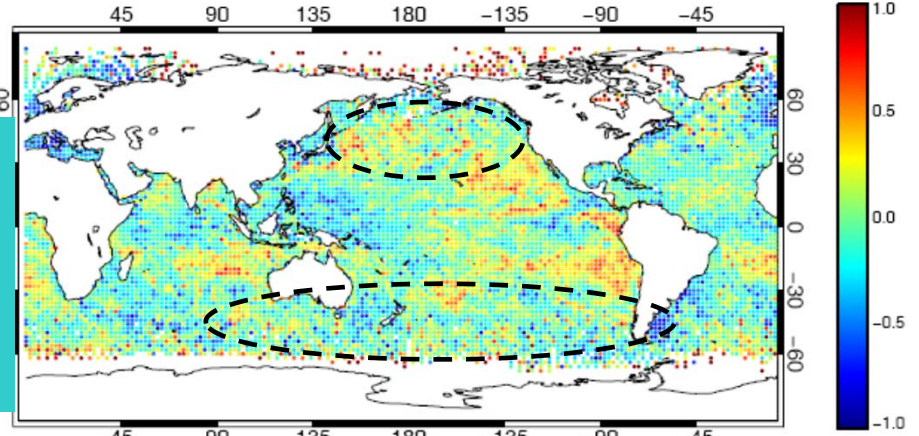


Model Bias

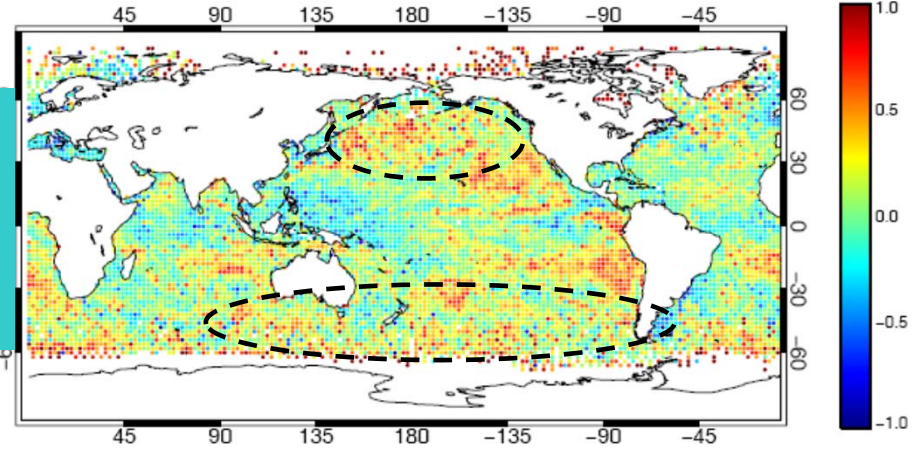
$T(grapes) - T(ncp)$ 1-10 June 2013, 850hPa



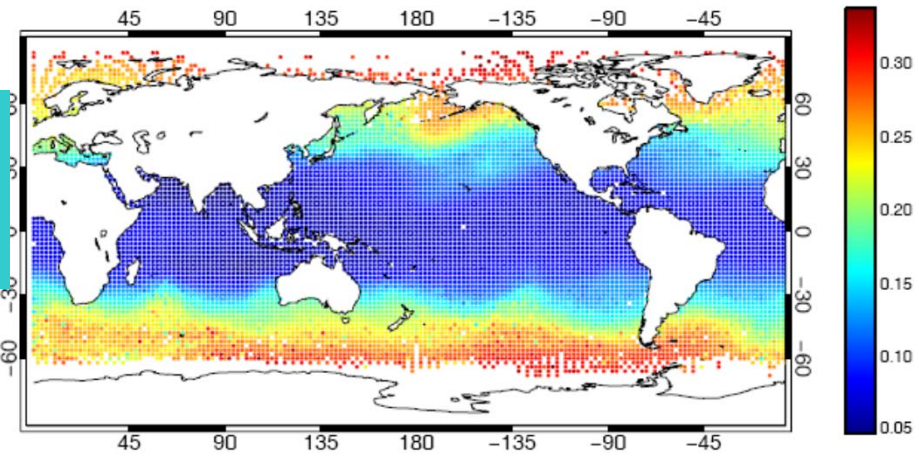
$\langle O-B \rangle_{ori}$ BC



$\langle O-B \rangle_{CBC}$

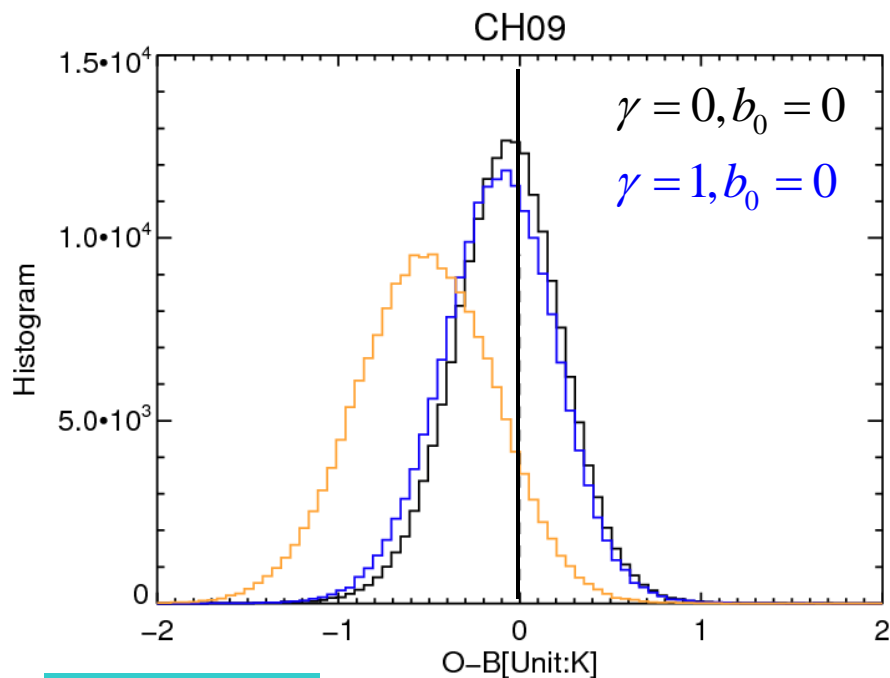


$\langle b_1 - b_0 \rangle$

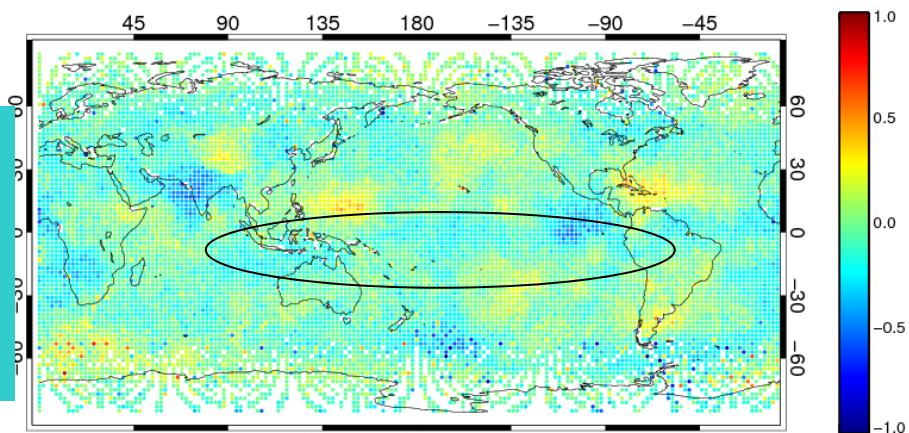


AMSUA CH9(Metop_A)

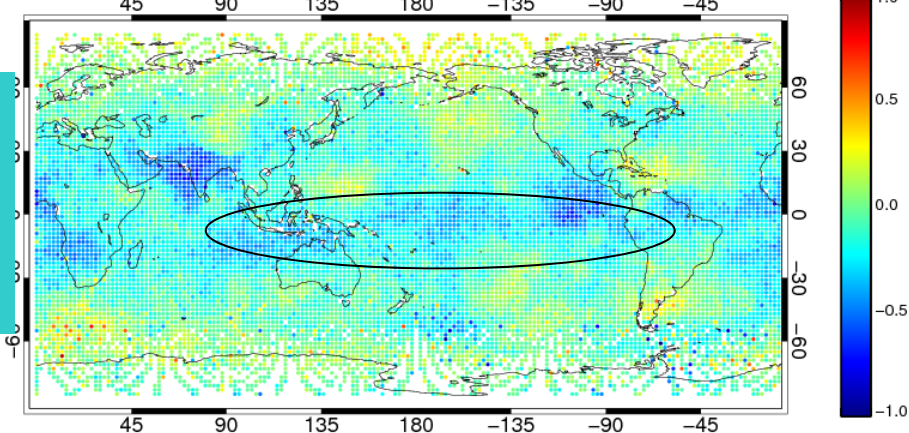
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<O-B>ori BC

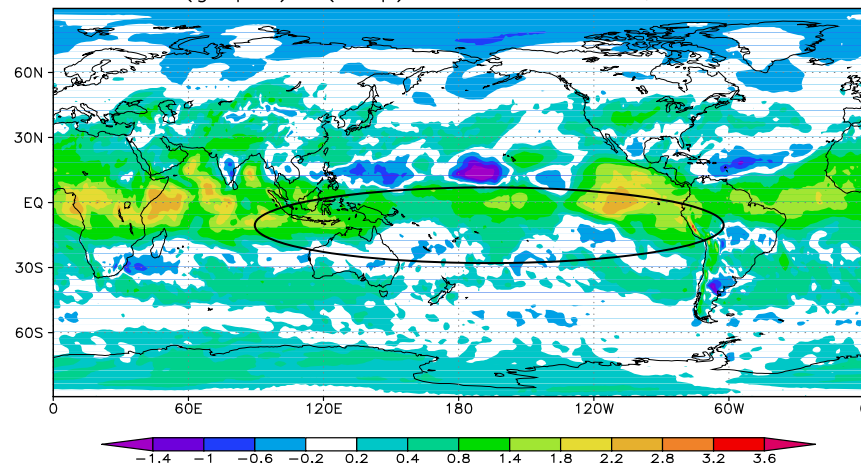


<O-B>CBC

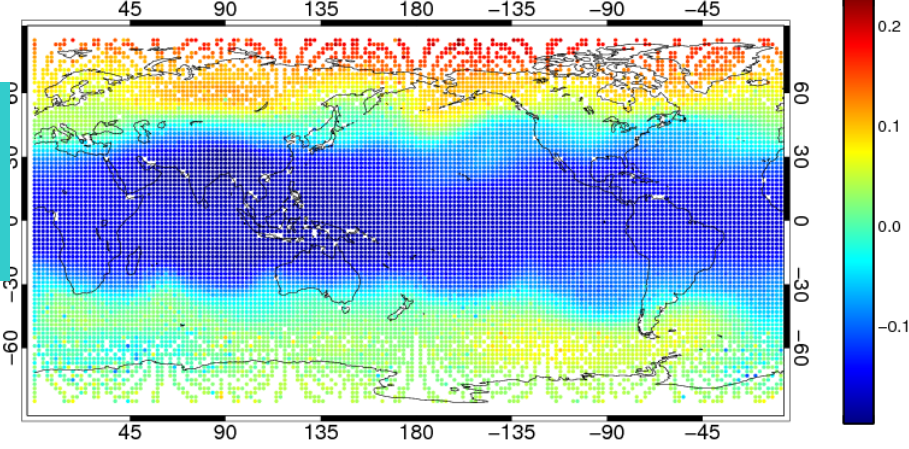


Model Bias

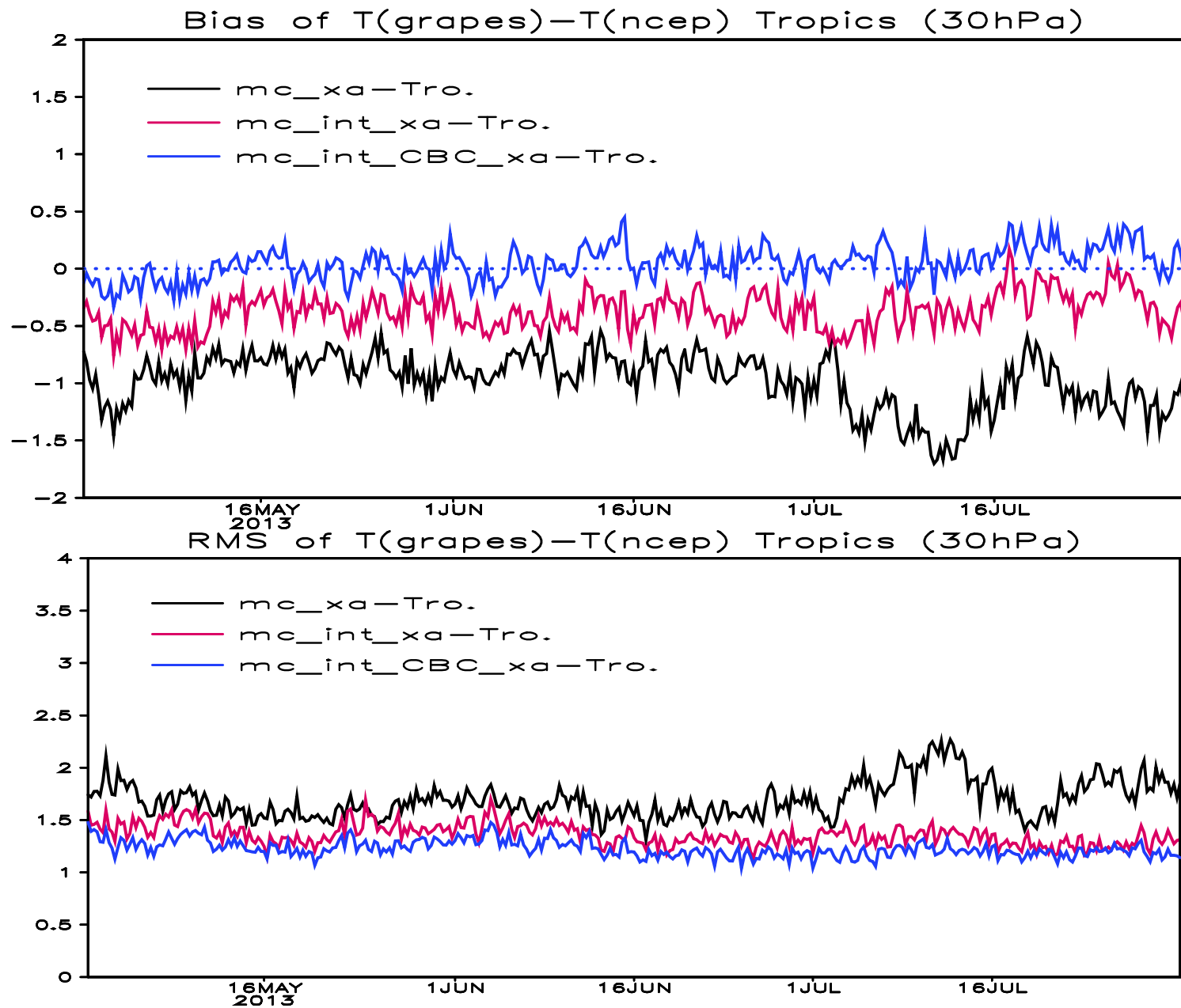
$T(\text{grapes}) - T(\text{ncep})$ 1-10 June 2013, 100hPa



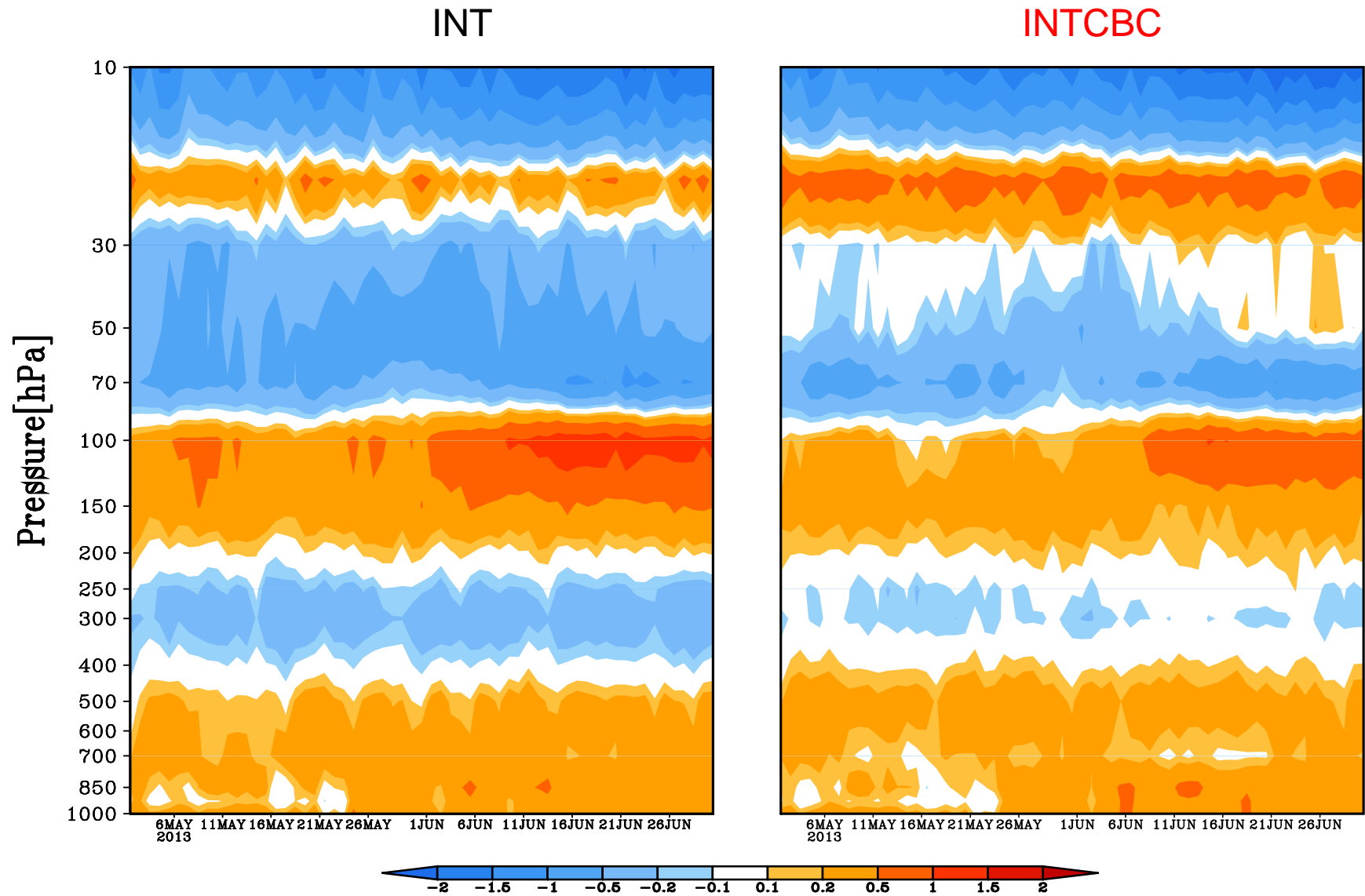
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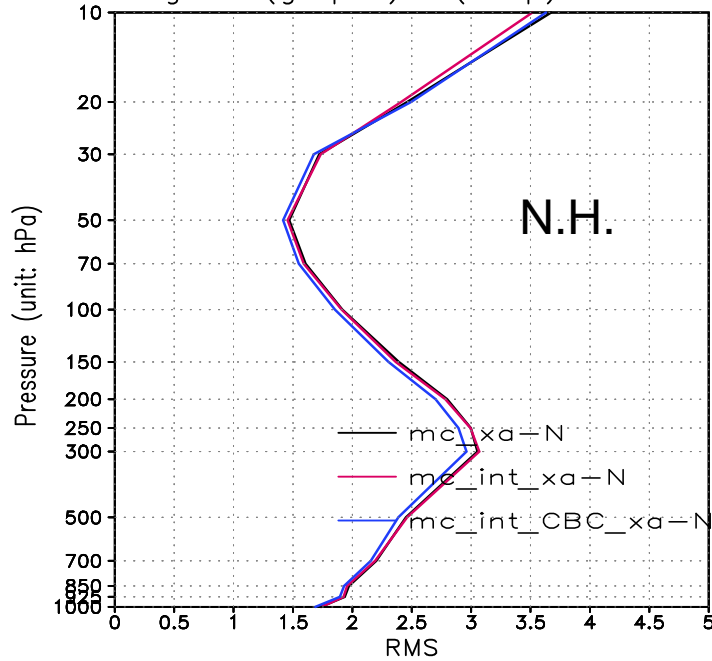
Two months cycle experiments in GRAPES global May-June 2013



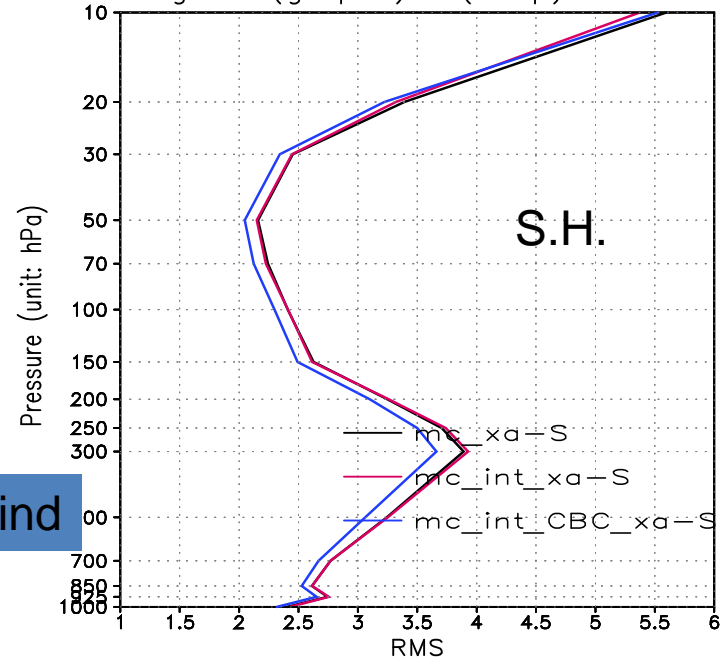
Impact on Analysis: $\langle T_{\text{grapes}} - T_{\text{ncep}} \rangle$, 20S-20N



time-averaged U(grapes)-U(nccep) RMS of N.Hemis

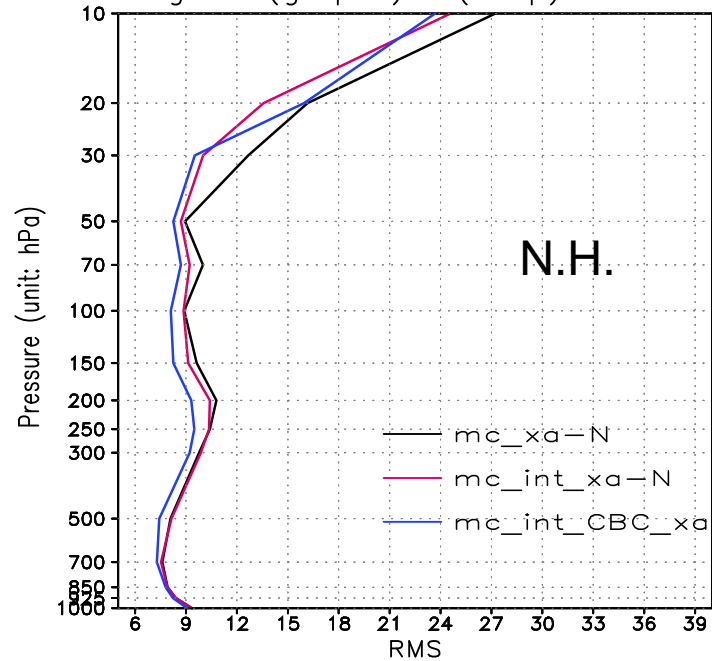


time-averaged U(grapes)-U(nccep) RMS of S.Hemis

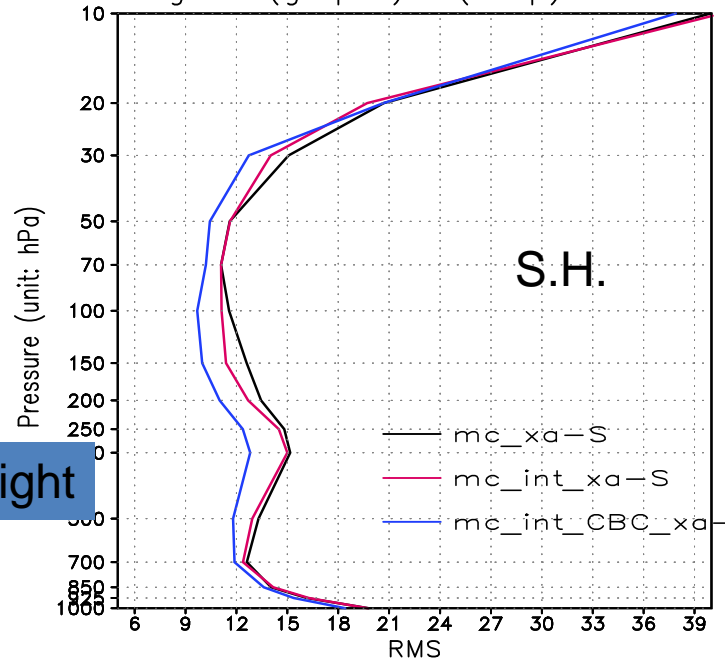


Zonal Wind

time-averaged H(grapes)-H(nccep) RMS of N.Hemis



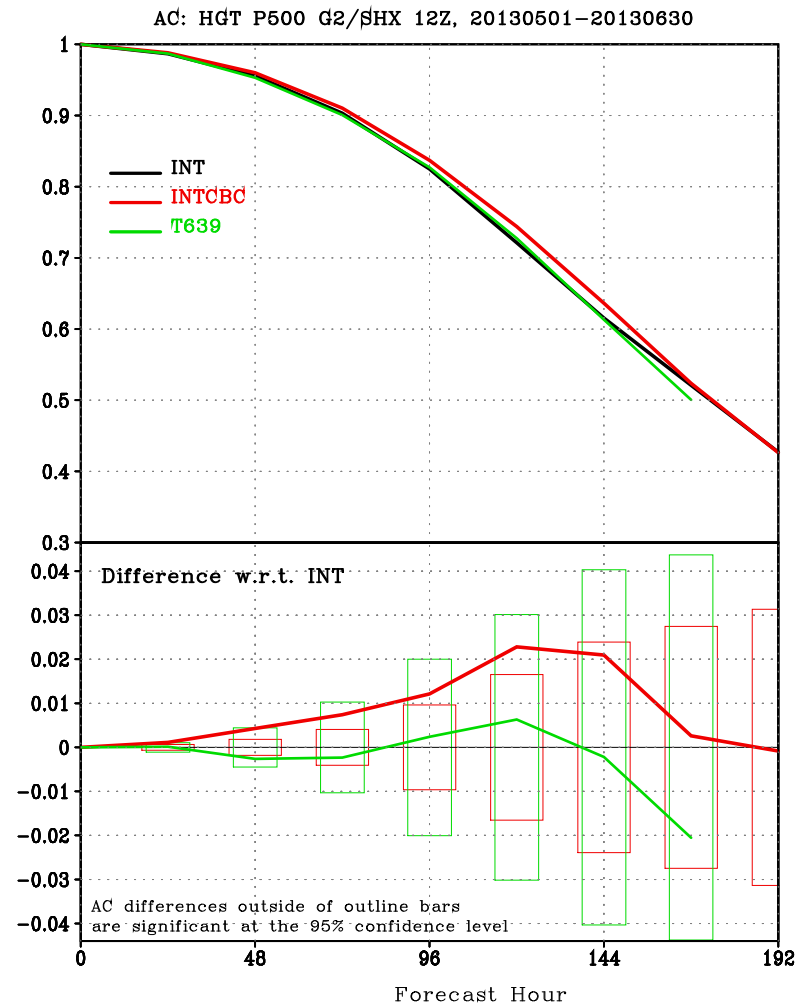
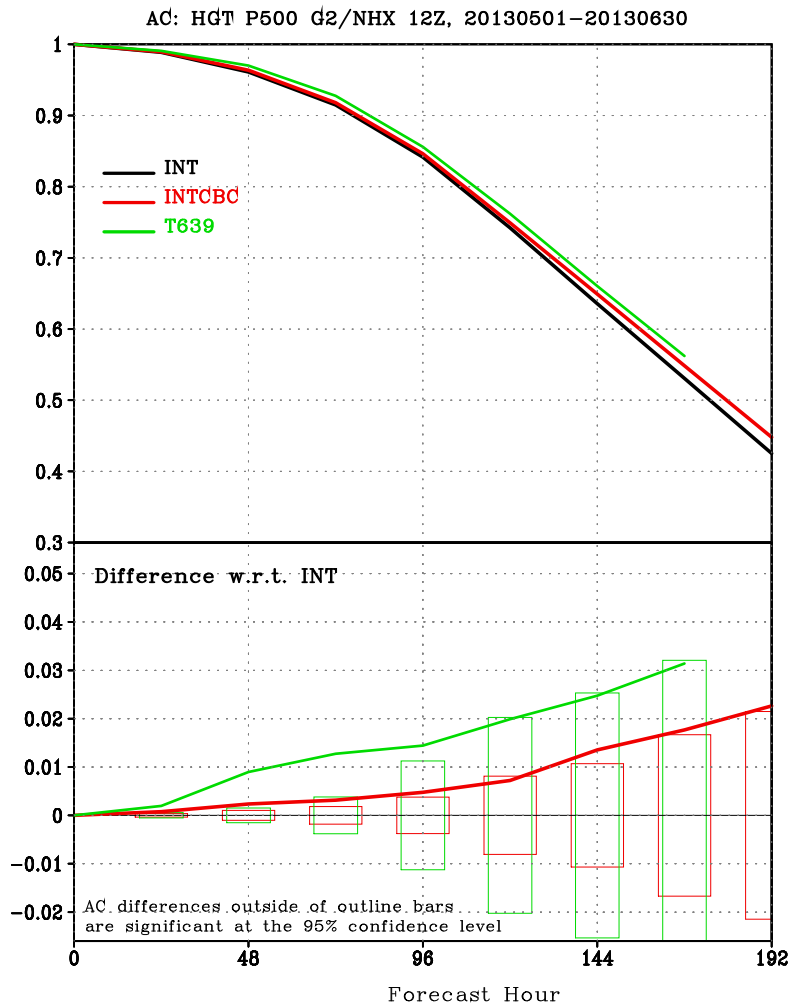
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Geo. Height

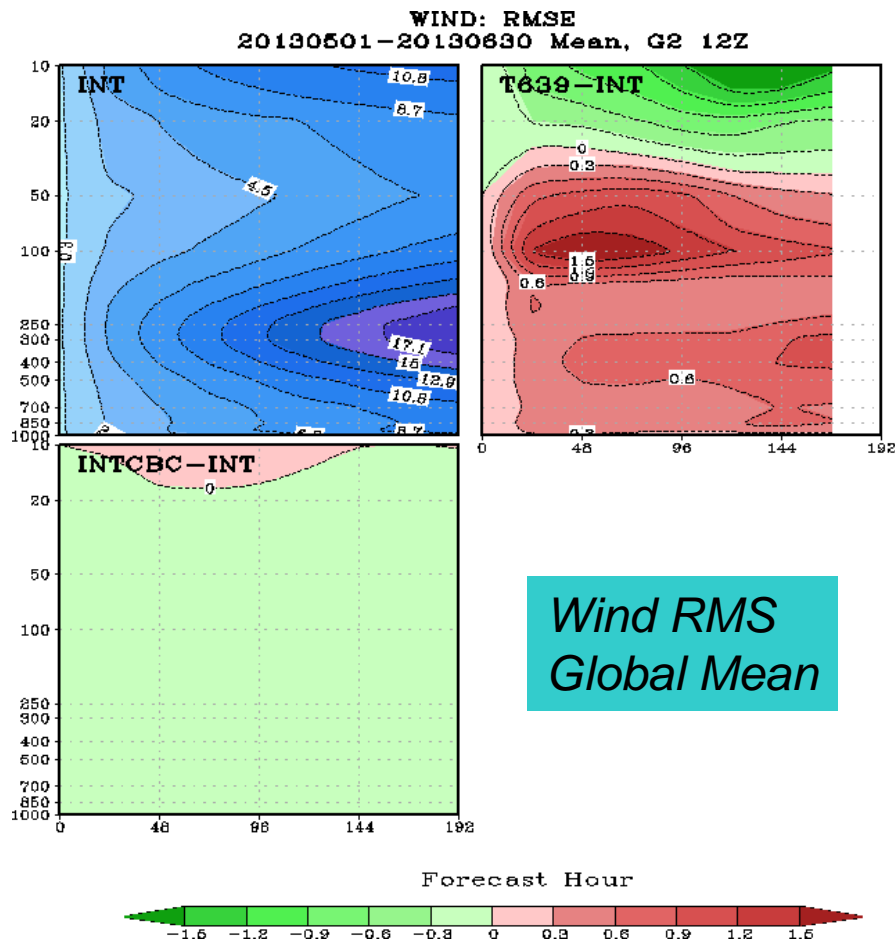
Impact of CBC on forecasts

60 cases, May 1 – June 30, 2013



Impact of CBC on forecasts

- Positive Impact



Score Card for intCBC against int

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▲ : Far better ▲ : Better ▲ : Better but not significant ■ : Equality
▼ : Far worse ▼ : Worse ▼ : Worse but not significant

Discussions and Further Plan

- Implementation of Constrained Bias Correction (CBC) scheme
 - VarBC
 - offline regression BC
- Capabilities of CBC
 - Considering imperfect QC
 - Considering model bias
 - important for developing models
 - Important for trace gases
- Estimation and Tuning of the Prior Parameters
 - Using mode as priori bias estimate
 - Using other unbiased obs. to get
 - Radiometric calibration uncertainty
 - RT model uncertainty