

# Ice cloud properties, an information content analysis from high spectral resolution measurements in the infrared : IASI and IASING

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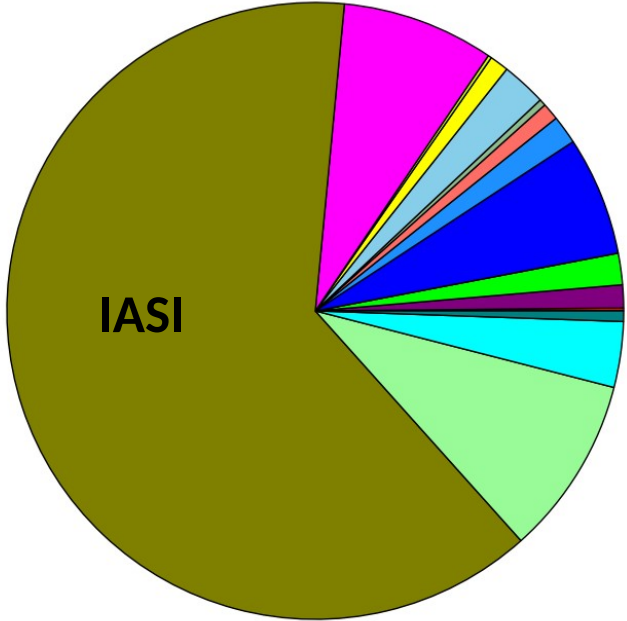
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### Origin of satellite measurements in ARPEGE model (MeteoFrance)



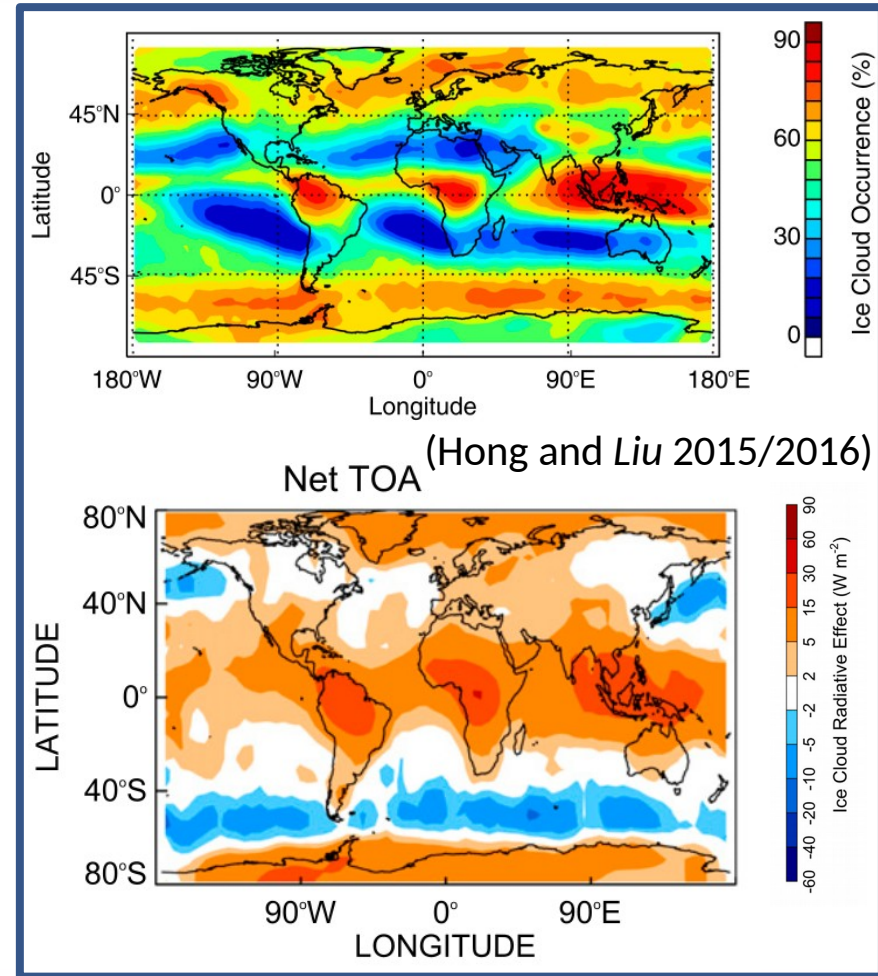
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→ **Radiative balance** : numerous thin clouds - strong radiative impact → need to test the **microphysical models in the IR** with **high spectral measurements**

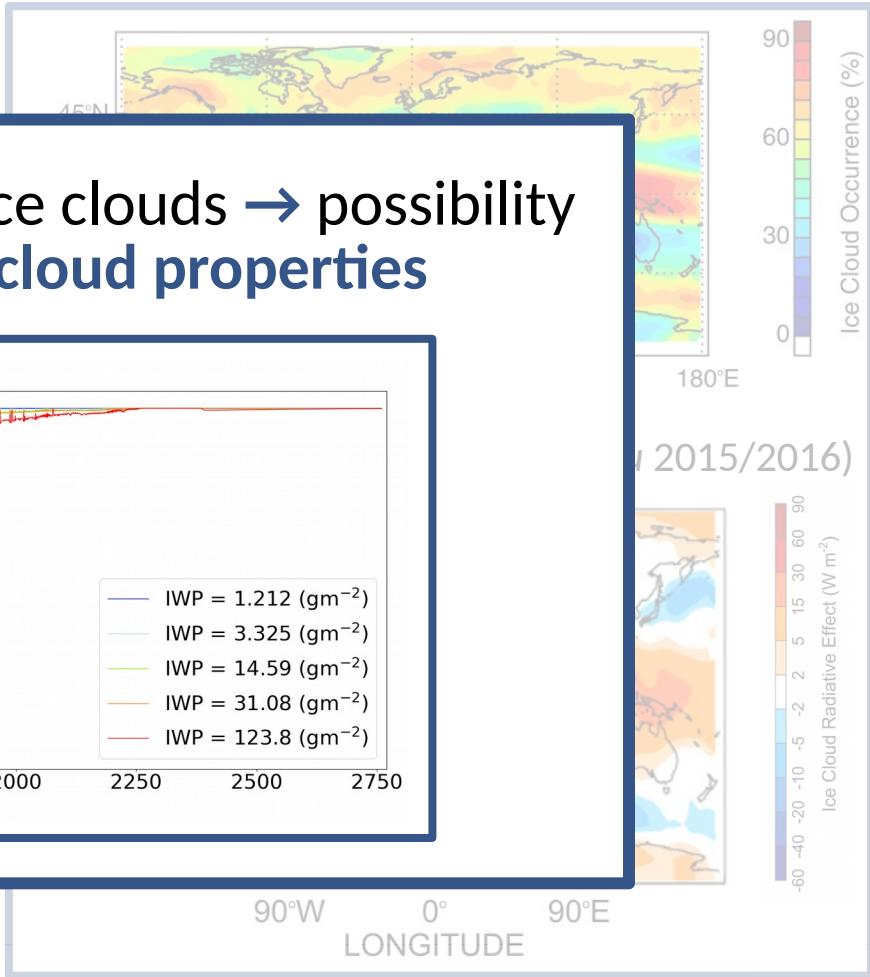
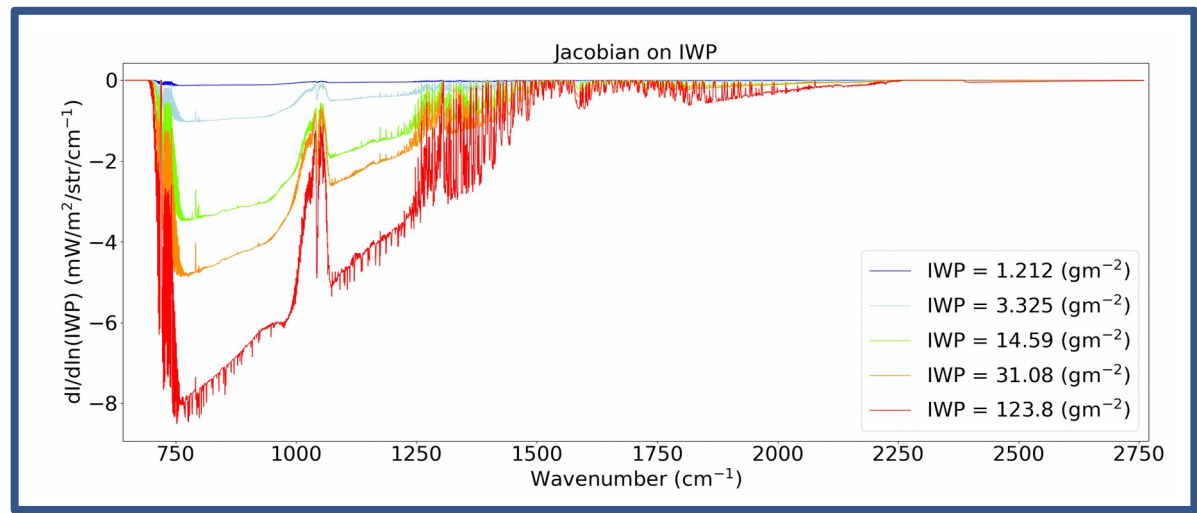


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IR is sensitive to the presence of ice clouds → possibility of using IASI to retrieve ice cloud properties



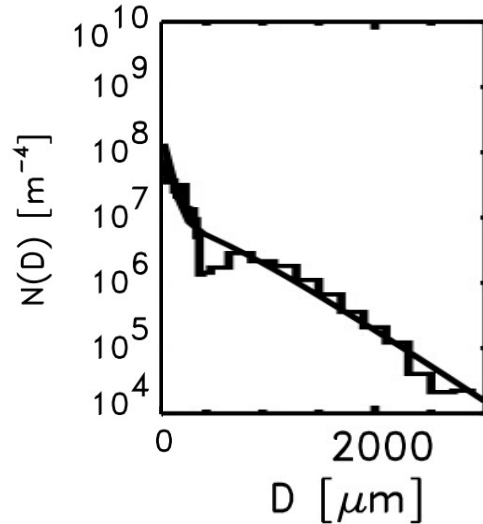
Use ice cloud contaminated IASI/IASING measurements to obtain information about :

- Ice Water Path (**IWP**)
- Cloud Top Height (**CTH**)
- Cloud Geometrical Thickness (**CGT**)

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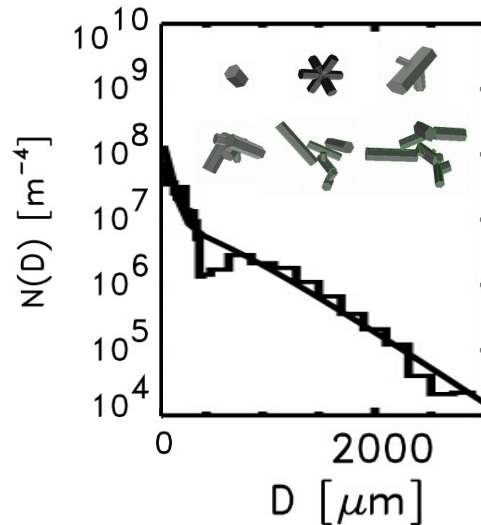


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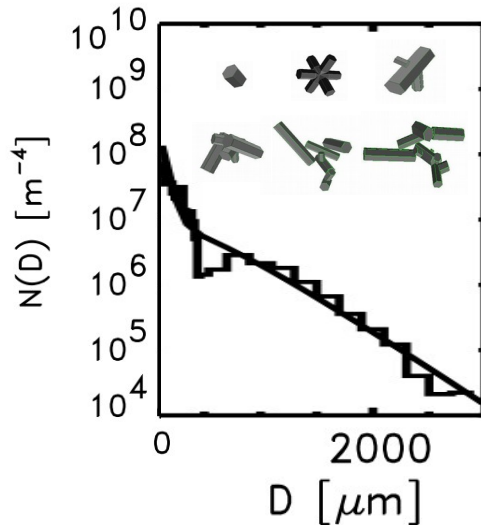
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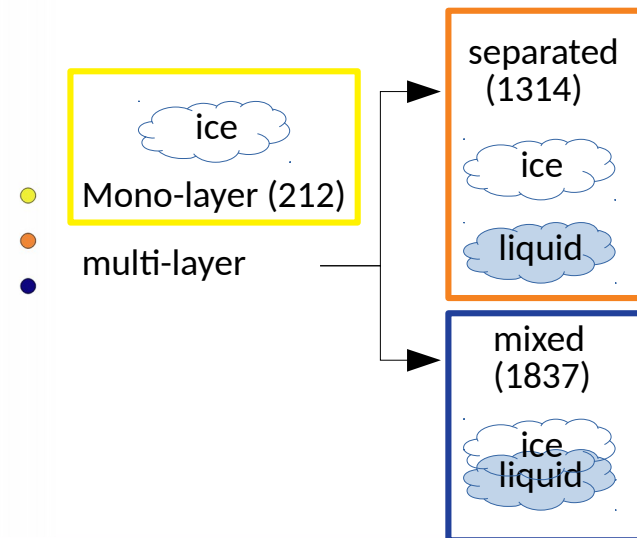
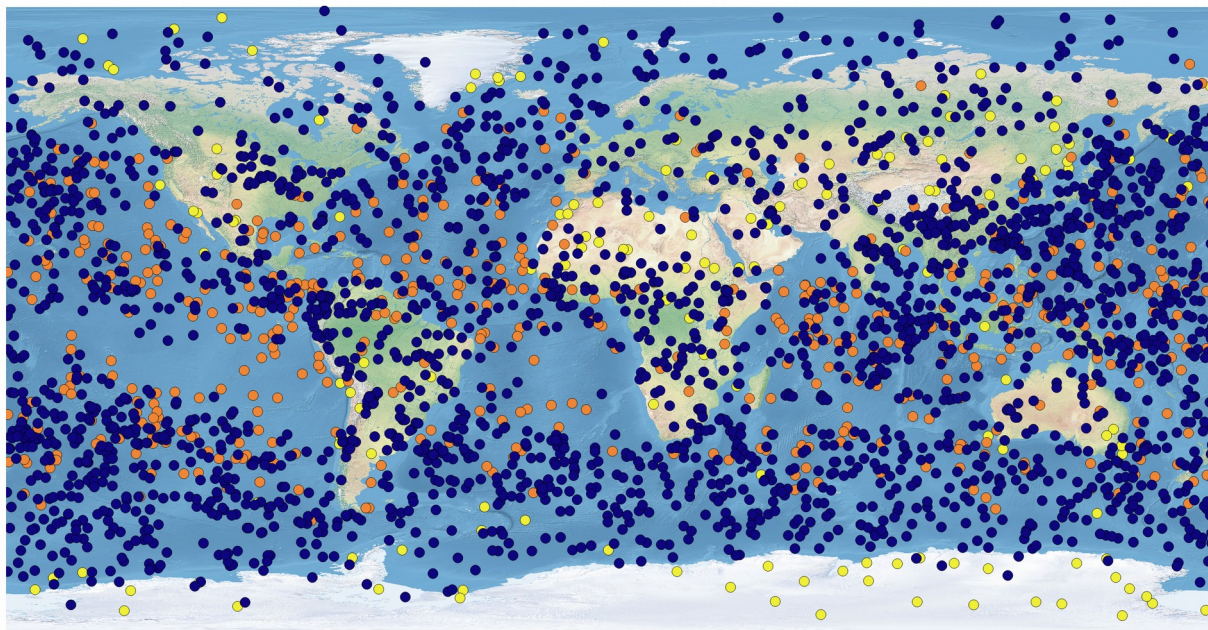
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- **Forward model** : RTTOV (fast radiative transfer code)
- **Optimal estimate** as inverse method (Rodgers 2000)
- **Information content** and **channel selection** from information theory (Shannon 1949)

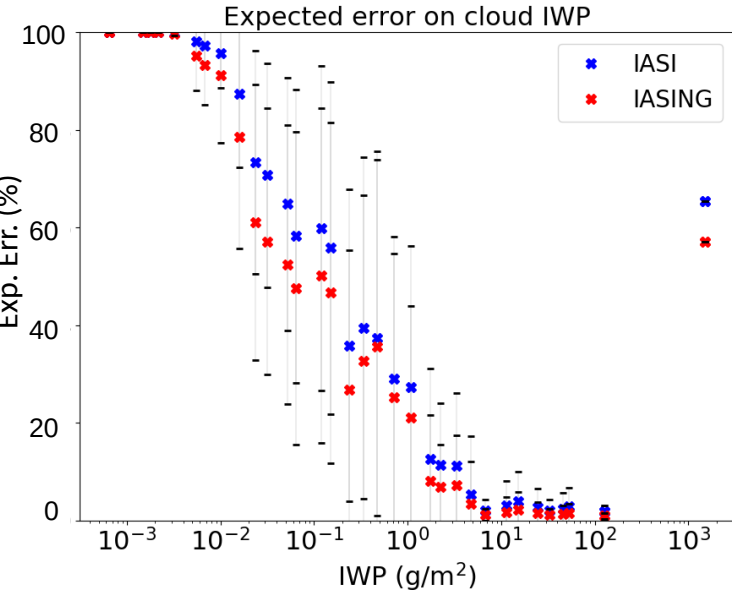
# Methods

→ **ECMWF profiles database** : representative profiles of normal conditions, variability and extreme conditions of the atmosphere over a year (Eresmaa and McNally 2014)

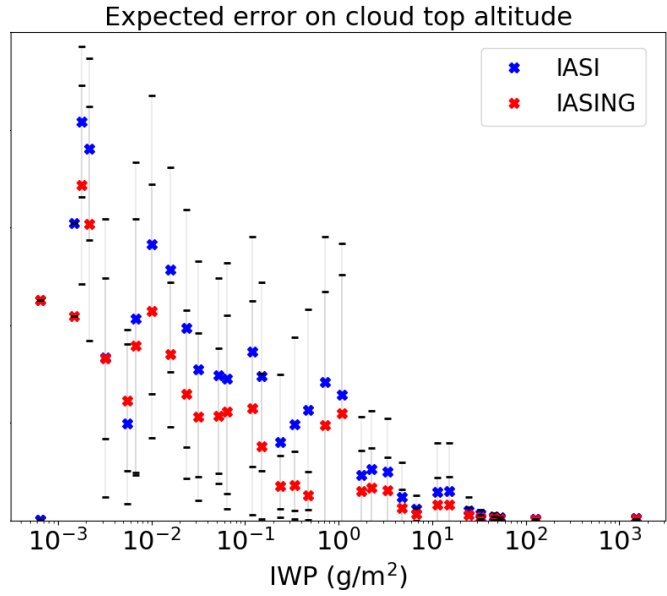


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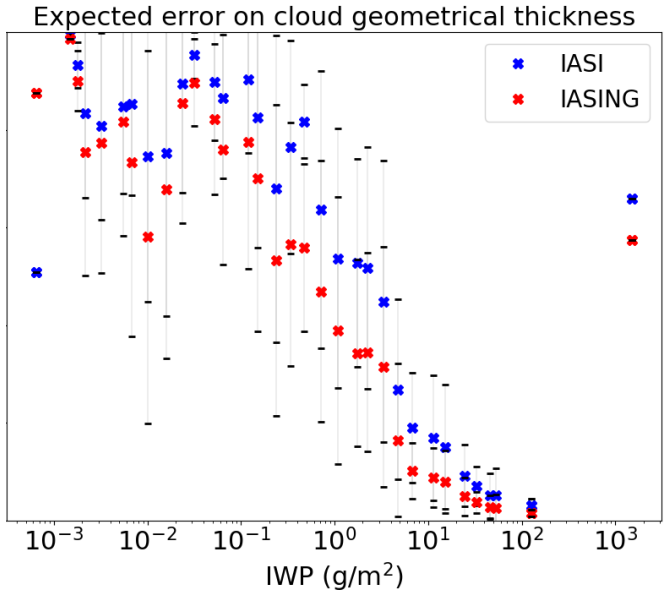
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IWP ( $\text{g/m}^2$ )



CTH (km)



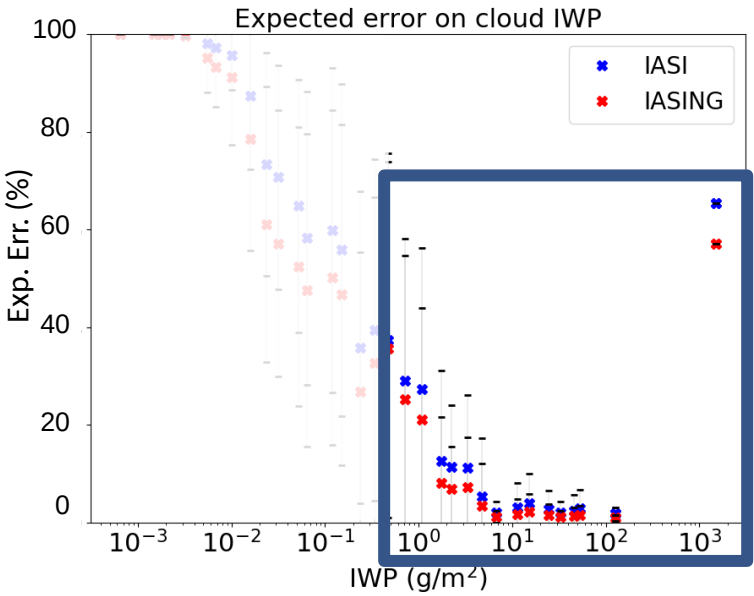
CGT (km)



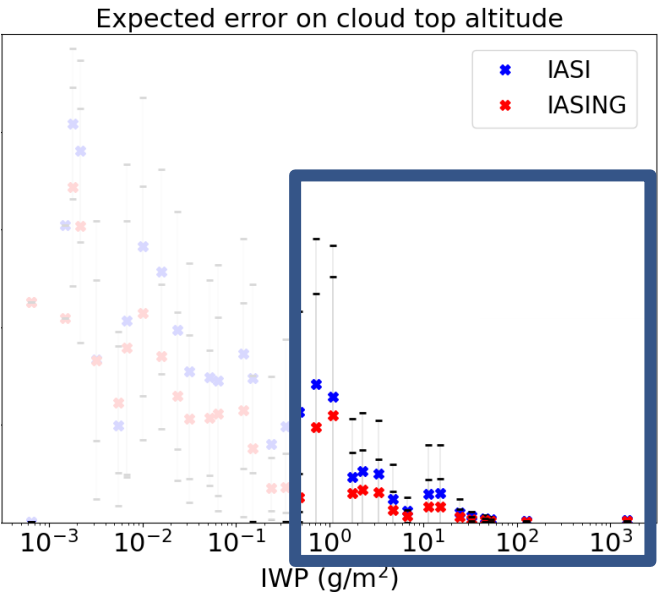
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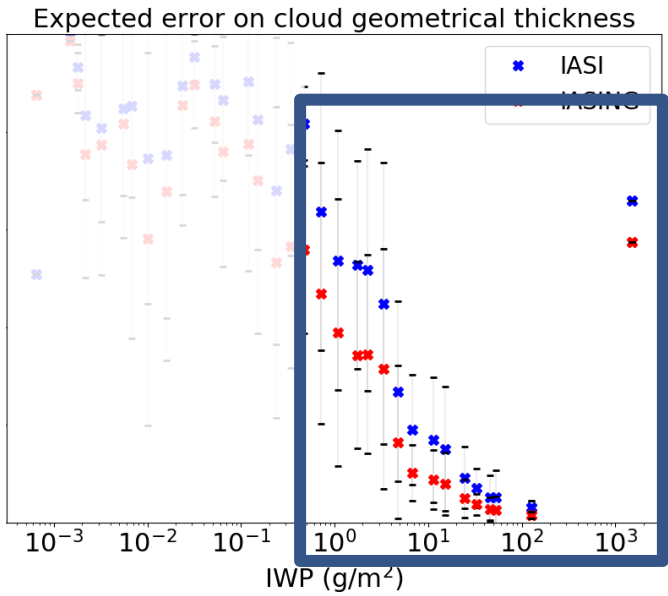
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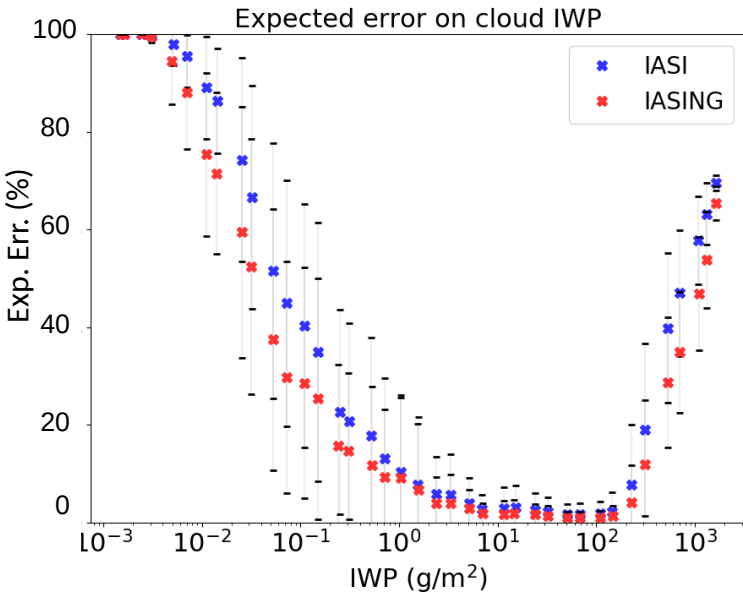
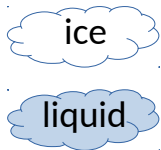


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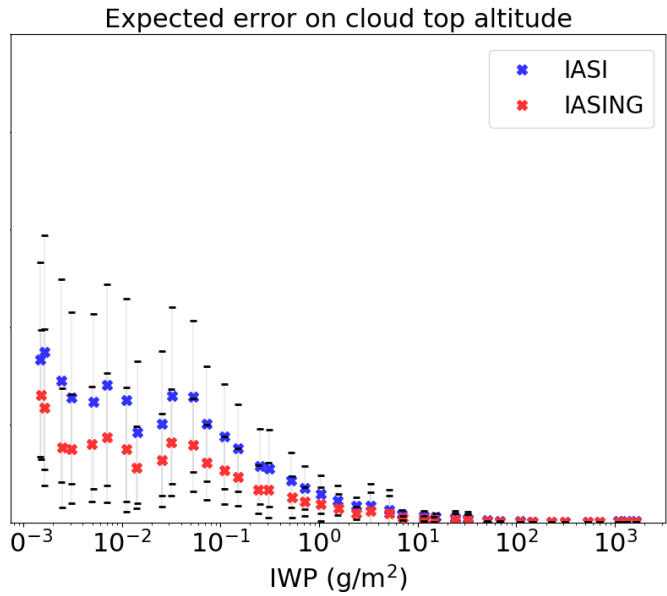


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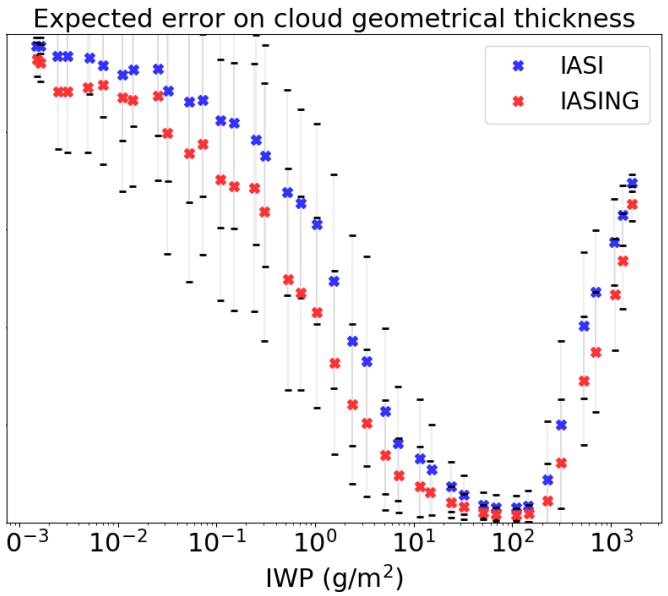
→ Multi-layer case : separated



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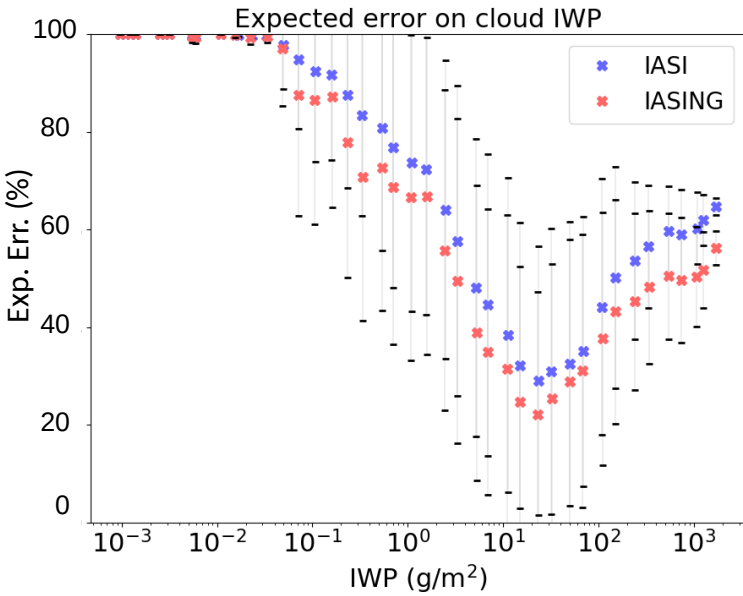


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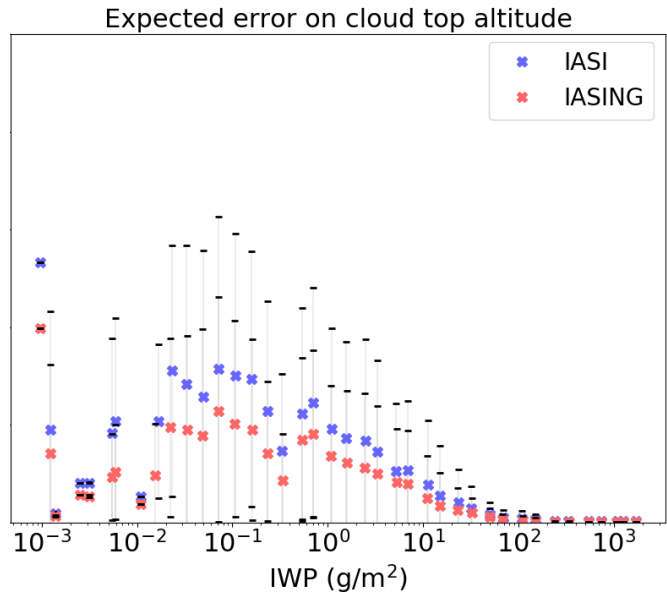


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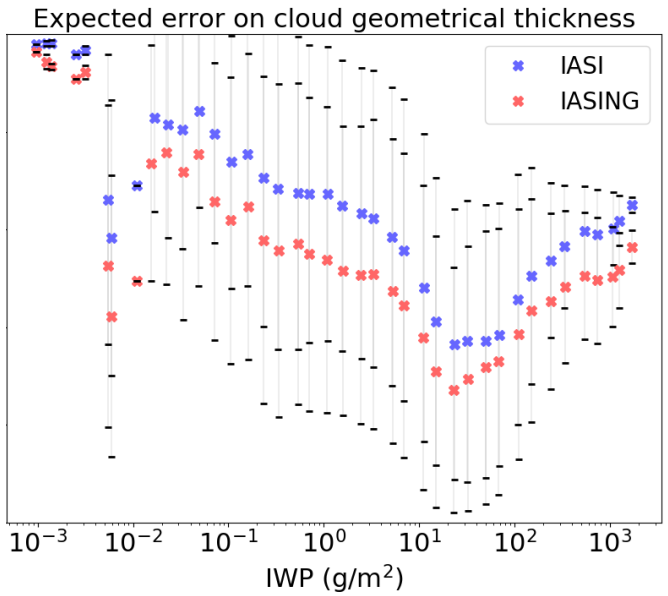
→ Multi-layer case : mixed



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CTH (km)



CGT (km)



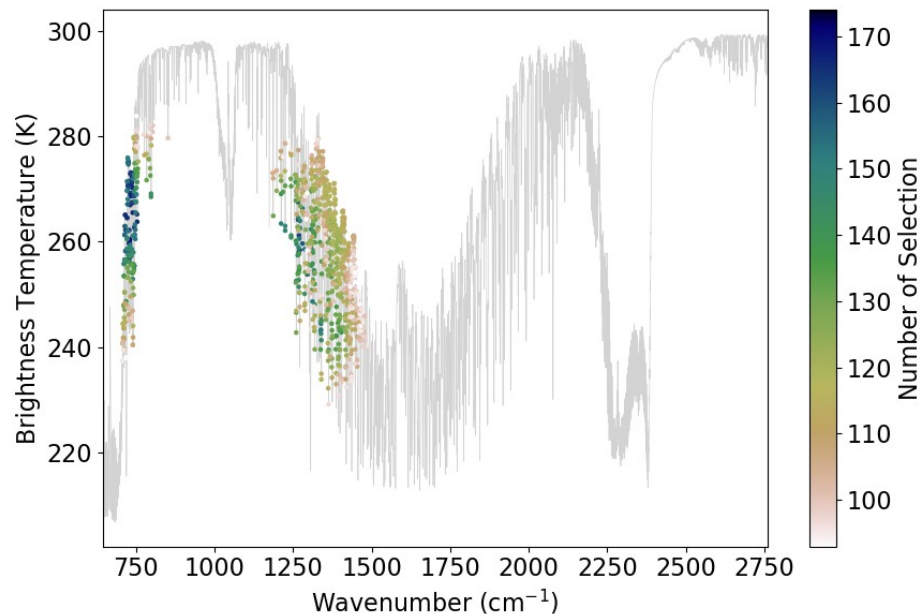
- **Information content analysis** with all the IASI and IASING channels
  - **calculation cost too important**
- Channel selection to remove redundant information



# Channel selection

## → IASI

Mono-layer case



### Non-retrieved parameters errors :

- gas profiles concentration (H<sub>2</sub>O, O<sub>3</sub>) → 10 %
- temperature profile → 1K
- emissivity → 5 %
- surface temperature → 1K

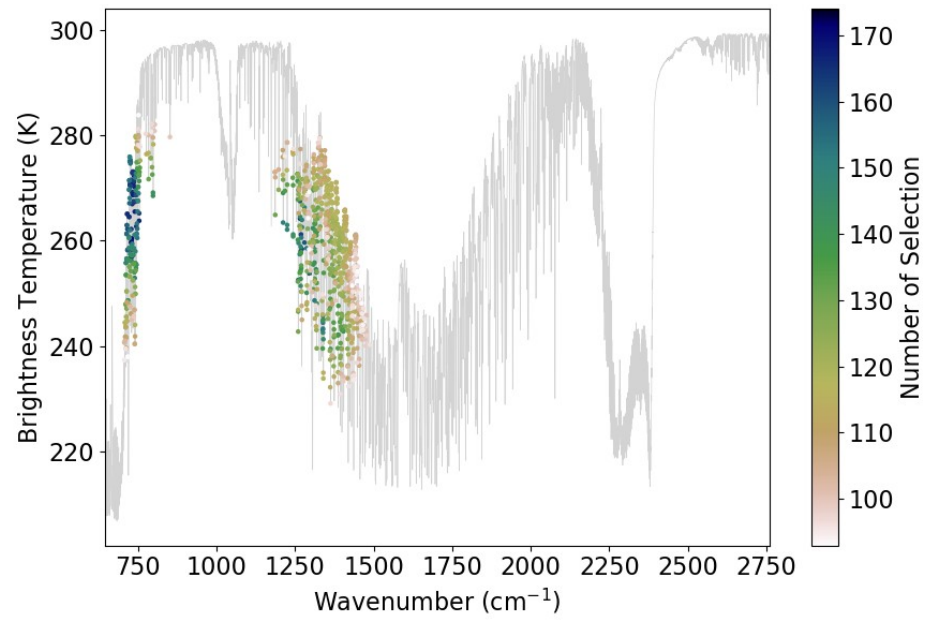
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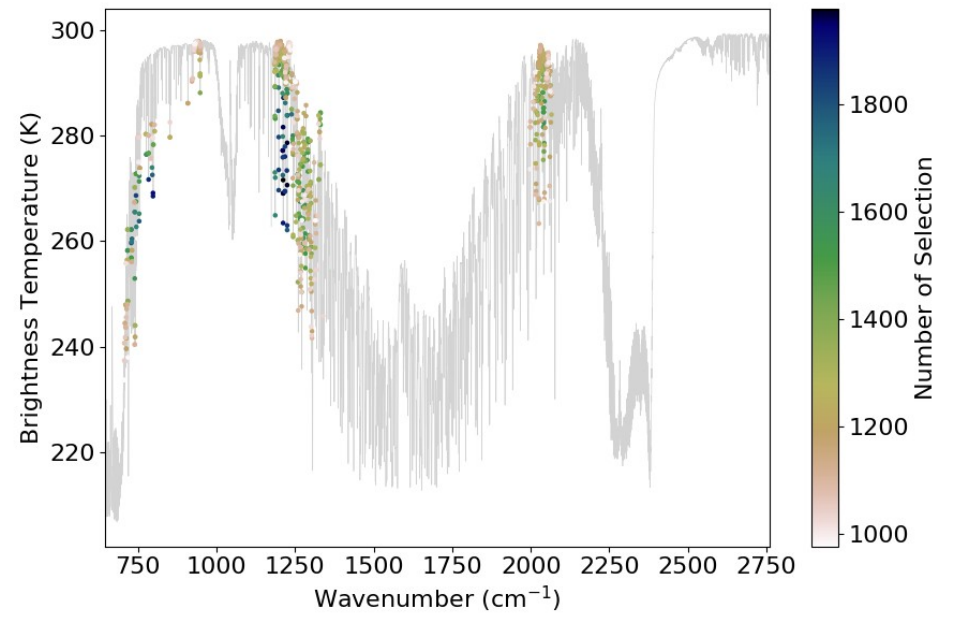
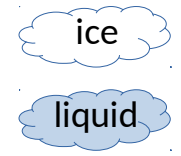
→ IASI

→ similar regions for IASING

Mono-layer case



Multi-layer case : separated



→ 905 / 872 selected channels

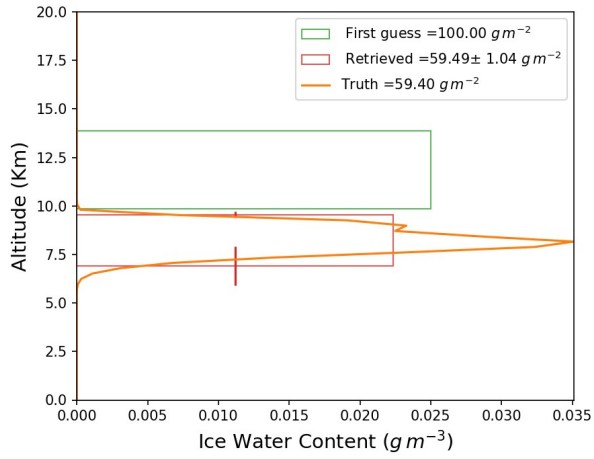
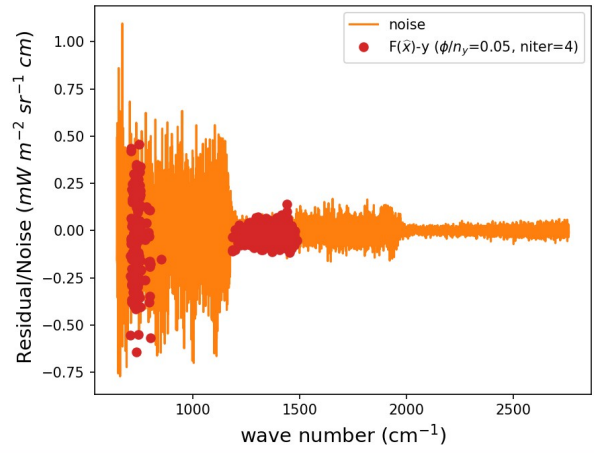
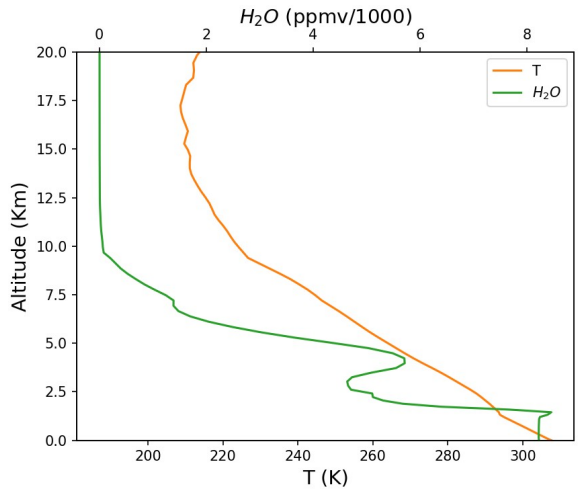
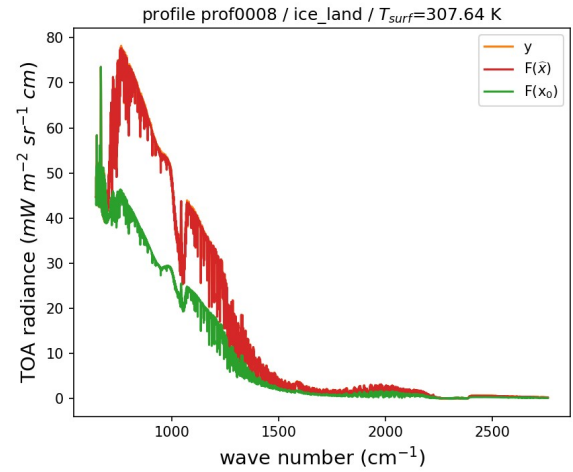


## Retrieval algorithm test on IASI and IASING synthetic measurements generated from the profile database :

- synthetic radiances calculation with radiometric noise added following a gaussian distribution
- non-retrieved parameter errors
- *pdf* maximum → minimisation with Levenberg-Marquardt

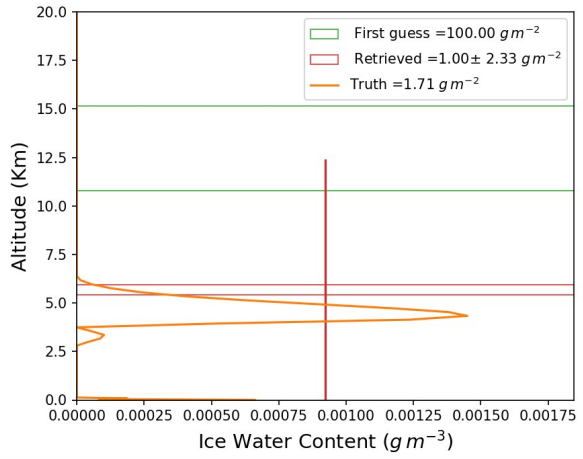
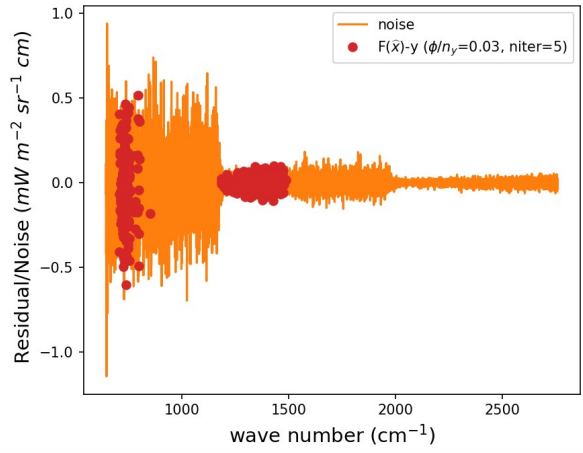
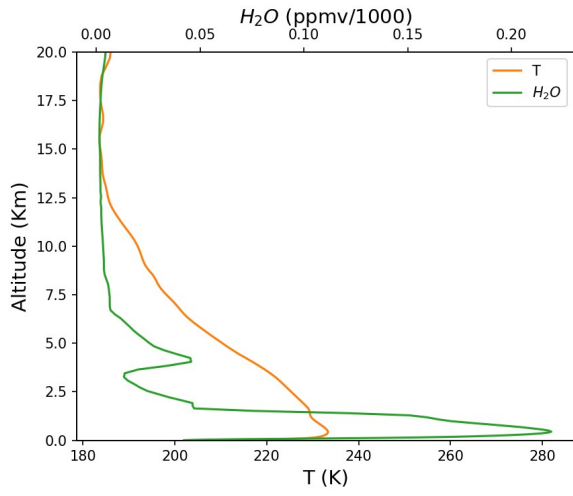
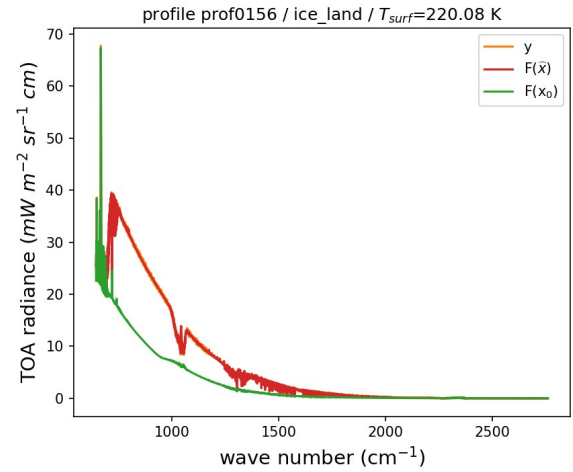
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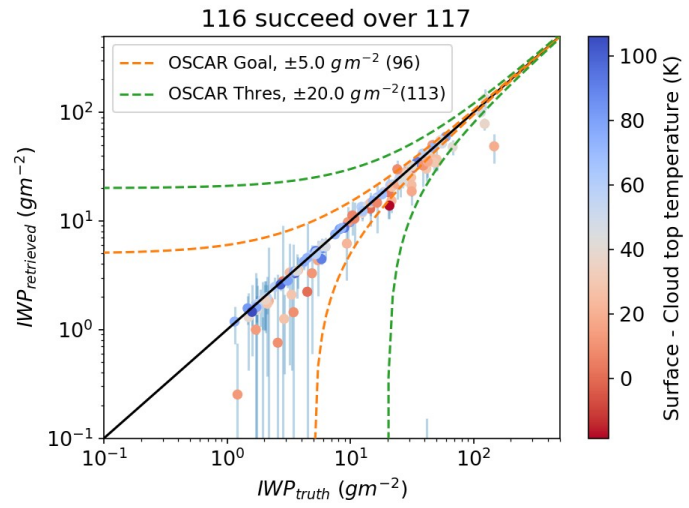


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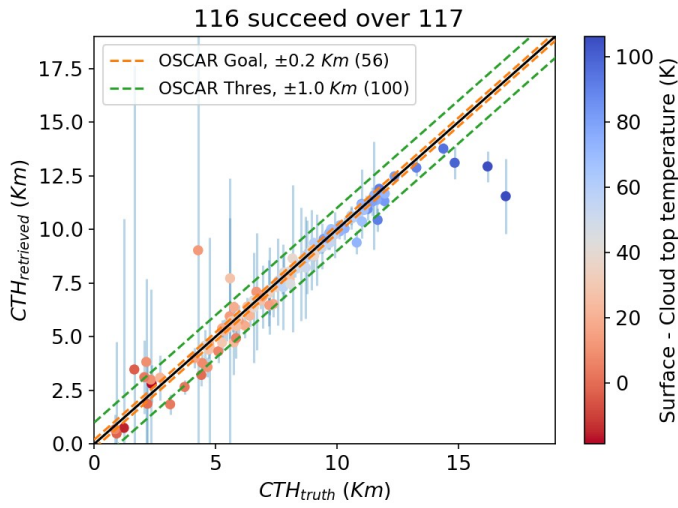
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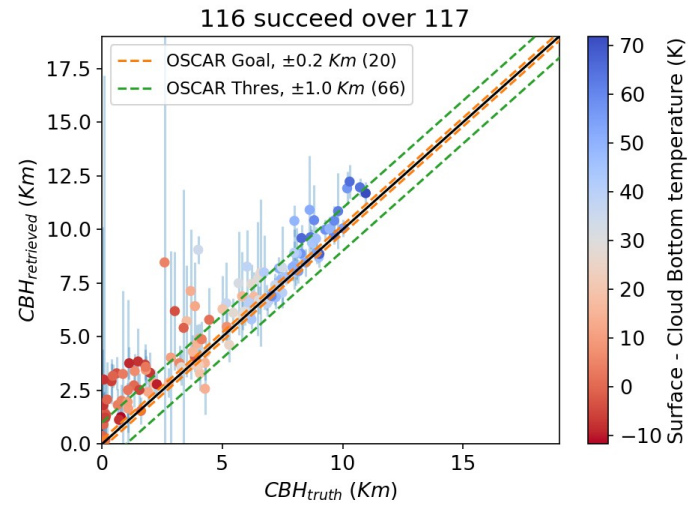
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**CTH**



**CBH**

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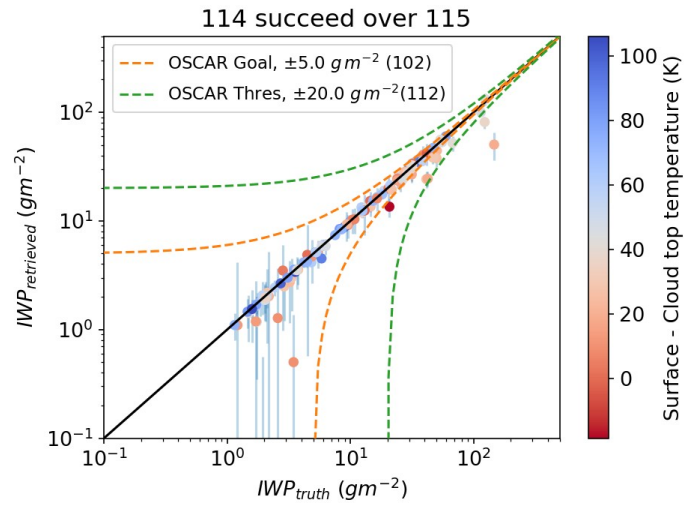
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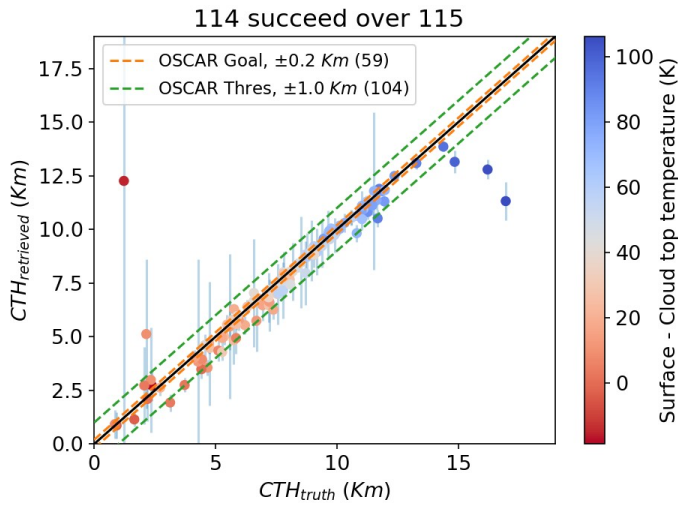
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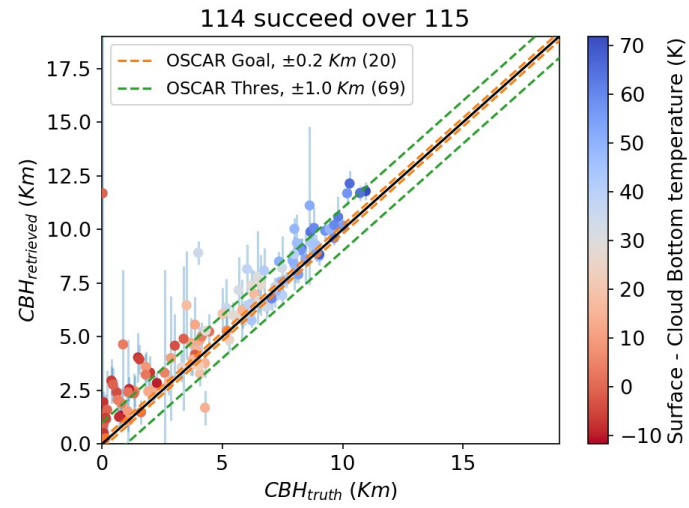
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→ high spectral resolution measurements such as **IASI/IASI-NG** can potentially be used to retrieve ice cloud properties with a **channel selection** to decrease calculation time

→ **Outlooks :**

- retrieval on real **IASI measurements**
- **water vapour** retrieval in the presence of clouds

**Thank you for your attention**

