Synergistic use of high spatial resolution imager and high spectral resolution sounder for atmospheric and cloud retrievals

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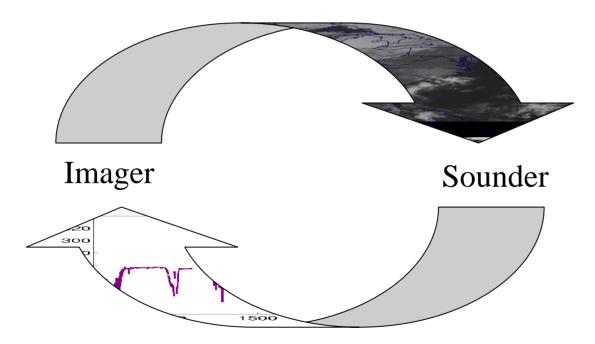




Best products will be realized from combinations of imager *and* sounder data!

Using MODIS/AIRS data to simulate ABI/HES system!

Better cloud detection and characterization, better spatial, etc



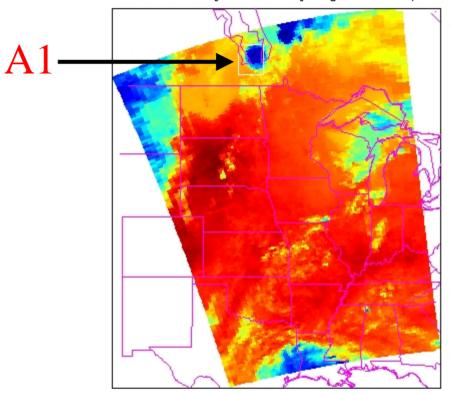
Better surface emissivity, better spectral, better accuracy, etc

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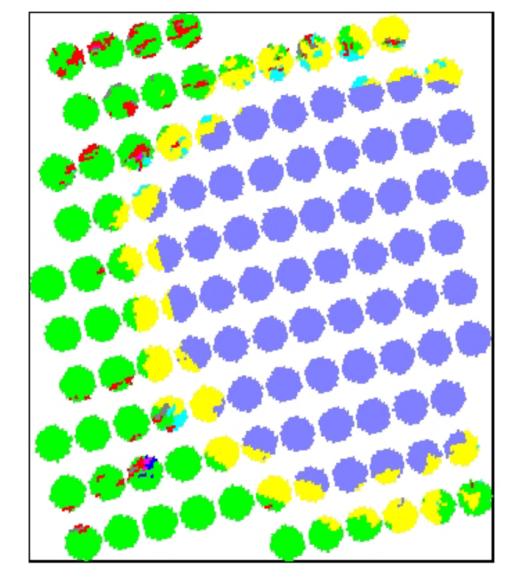
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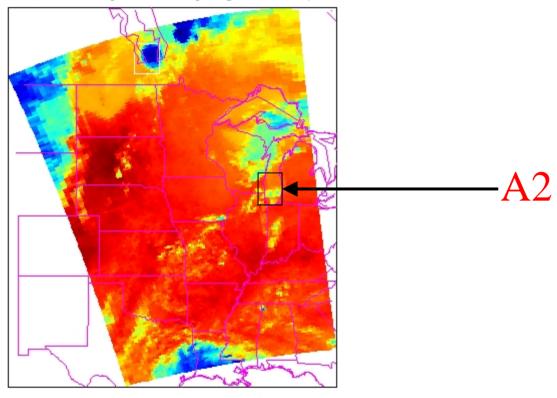
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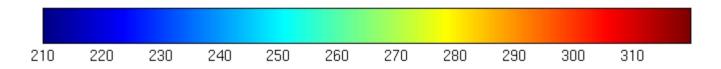


MODIS classification mask at 1km resolution



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MODIS Classification Mask Cloudy FOV

Mid cld

Low cld

High cld

Water

Mixed cld

Land

Mixed clr

Low cld

Mid cld

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1DVAR algorithm for cloud retrieval (Li, Menzel and Schreiner 2001)

Observed AIRS Radiance Measurements

Background Information from MODIS

$$J(X) = [R^{m} - R(X)]^{T} E^{-1} [R^{m} - R(X)] + [X - X_{B}]^{T} B^{-1} [X - X_{B}]$$

Fast Cloudy Radiative Transfer Model: coupled

- (1) Single Scattering Cloud Model and
- (2) AIRS Clear Sky Radiance Model SARTA.
- (3) Temperature/moisture profiles are from ECMWF.

$$X = (CTP, ECA_1, ECA_2, ECA_3, ..., ECA_{10}, CPS, COT)$$

CTP: Cloud-Top Pressure

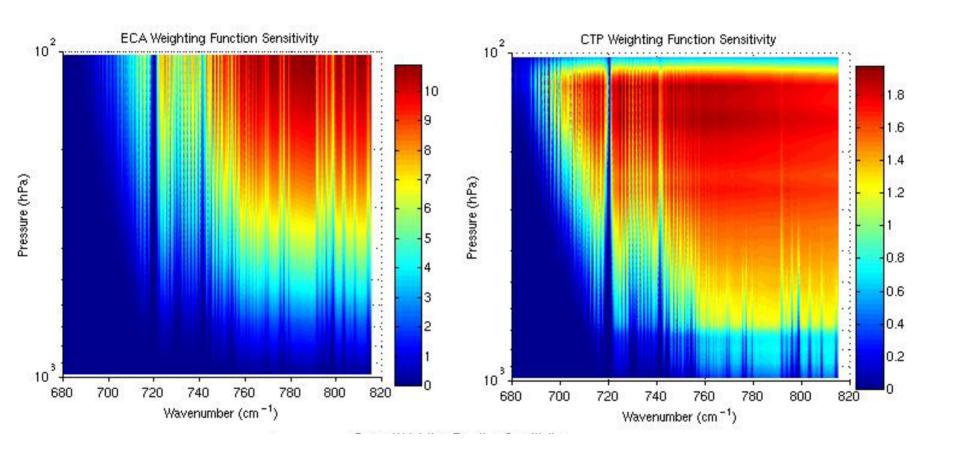
ECA: Effective Cloud Amount

CPS: Cloud Particle Size

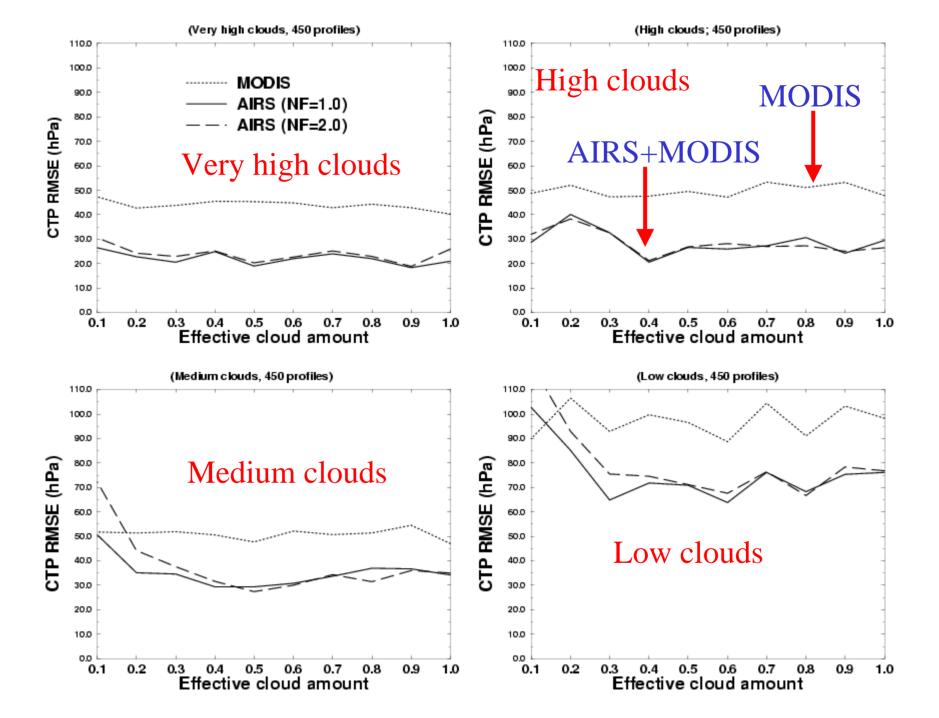
COT: Cloud Optical Thickness at 0.55µm

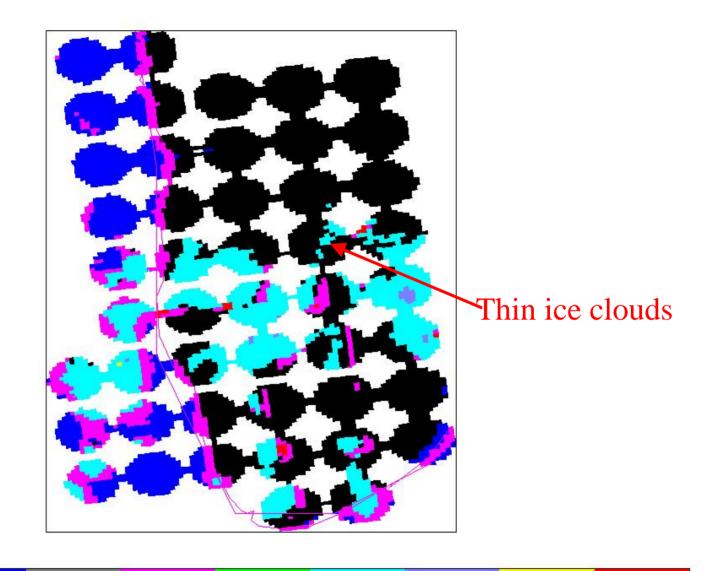
ECA Sensitivity

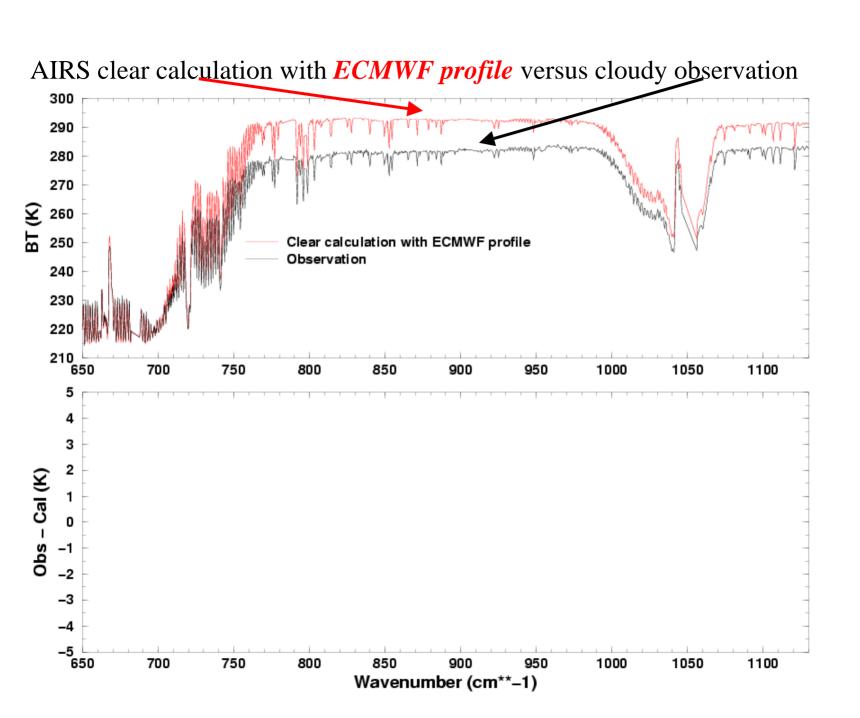
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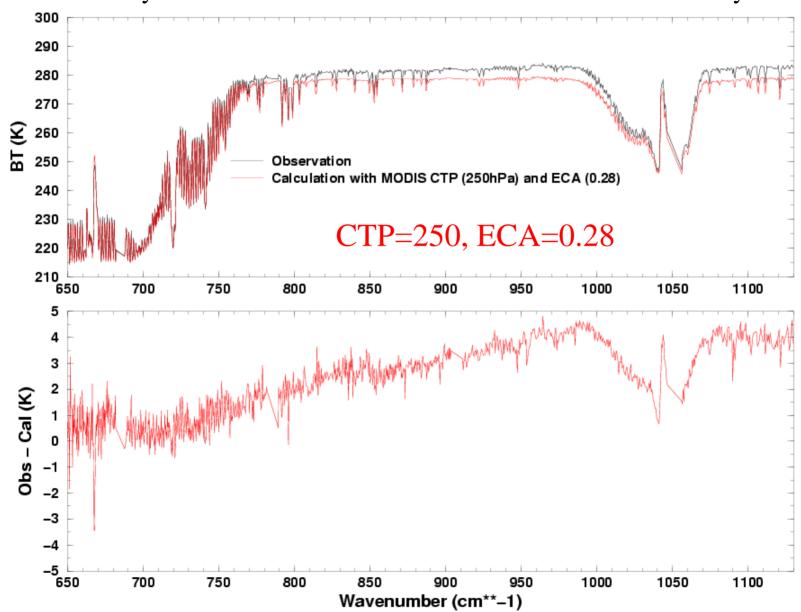
Tropical atmosphere



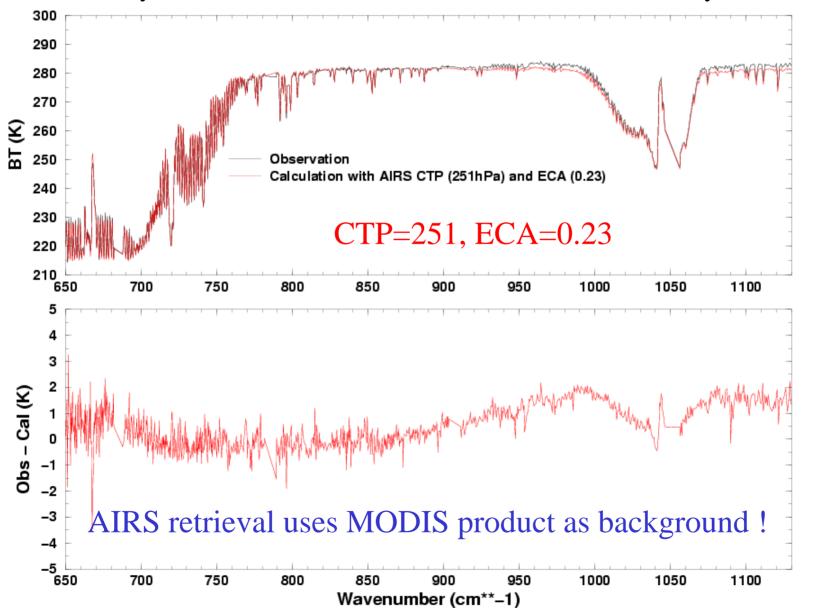




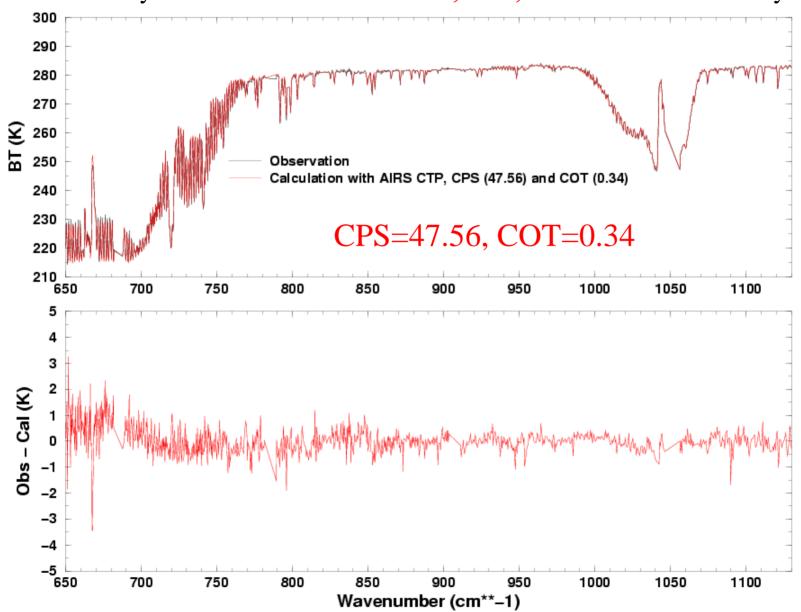
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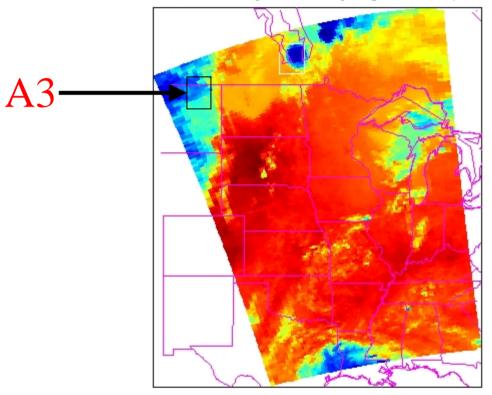
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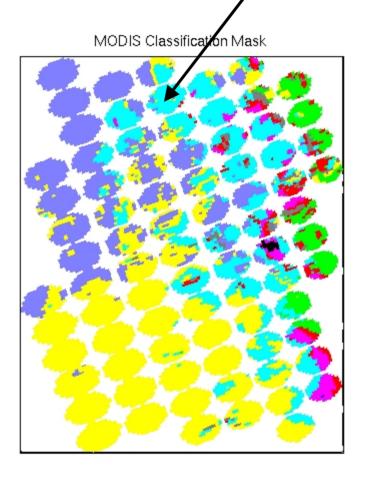


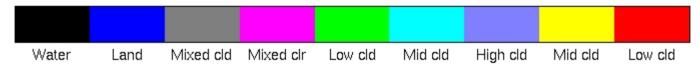
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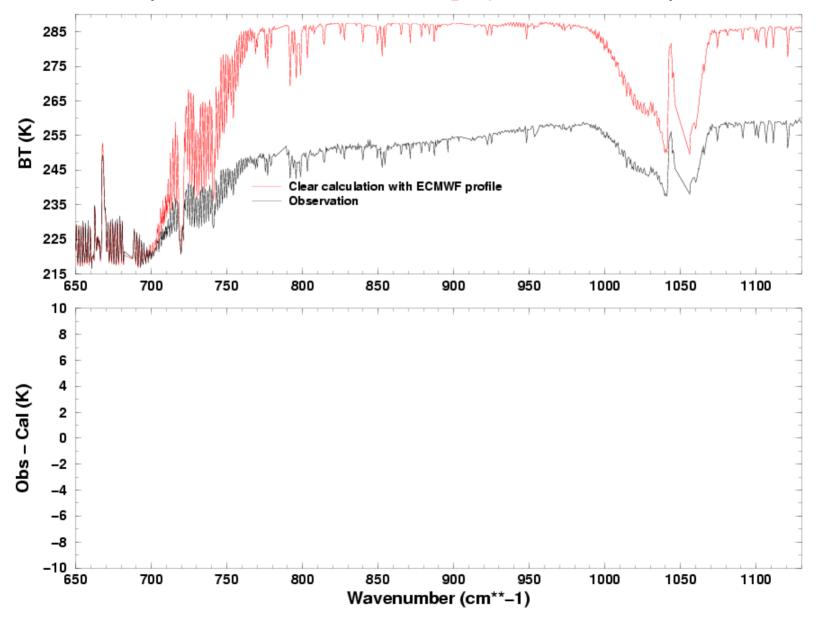
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Thick ice clouds

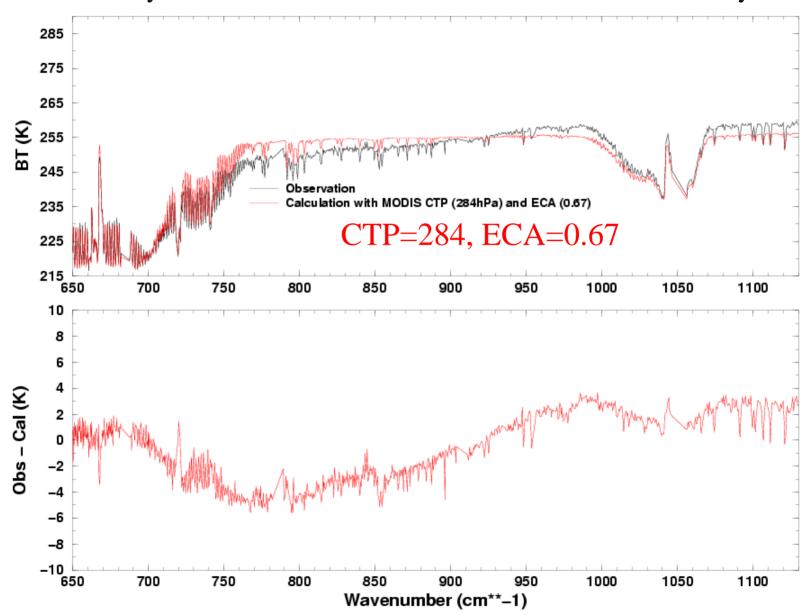




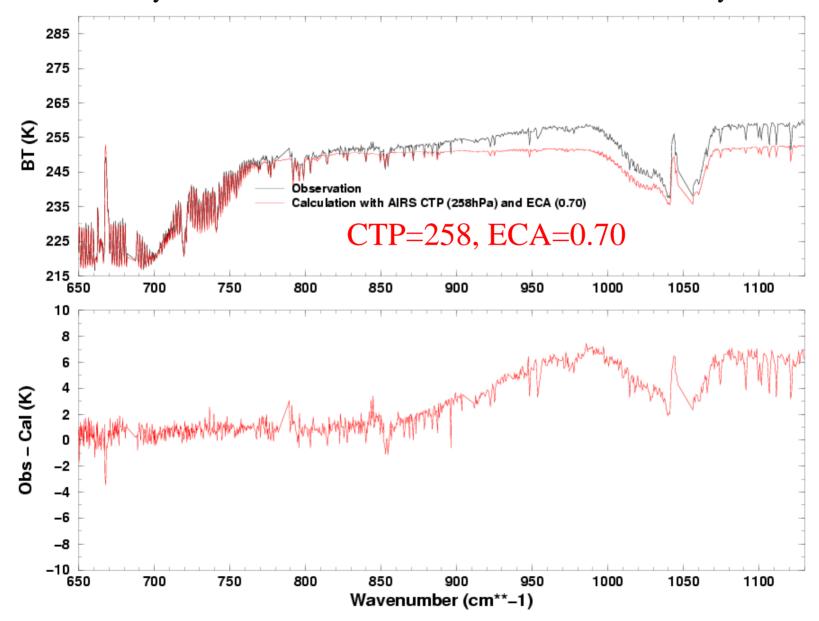
AIRS cloudy calculation with *ECMWF profile* versus cloudy observation



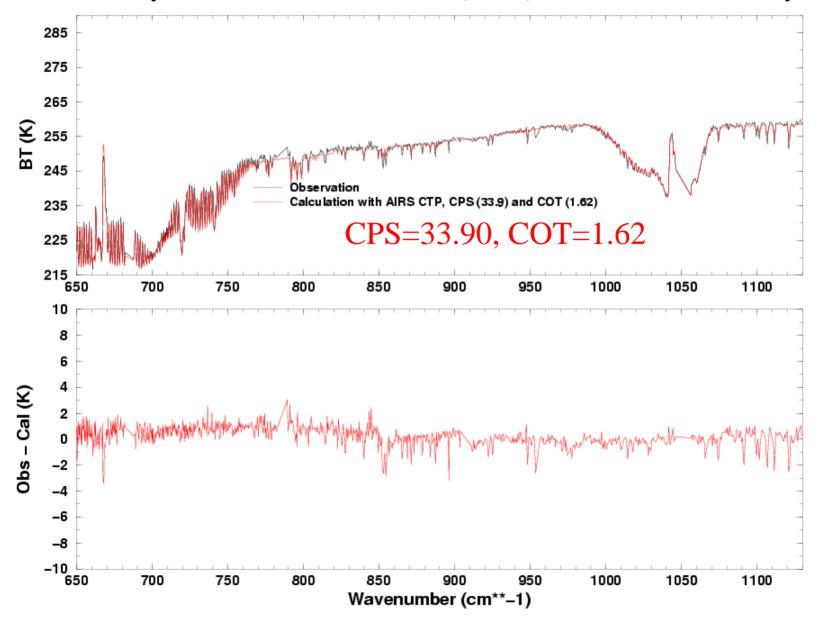
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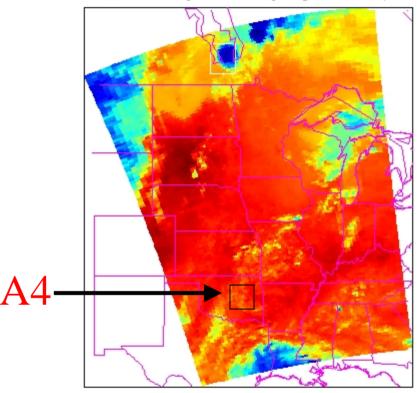
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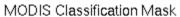


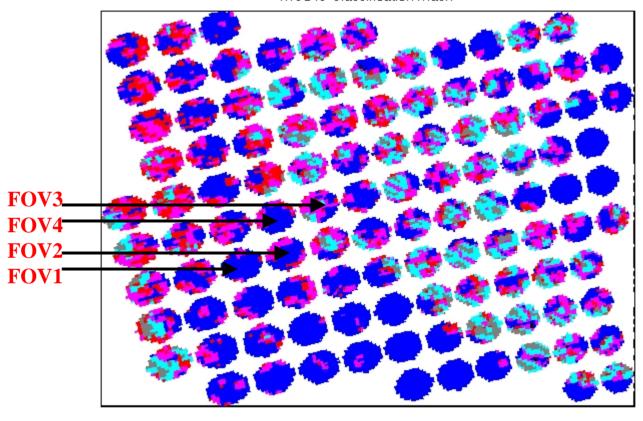
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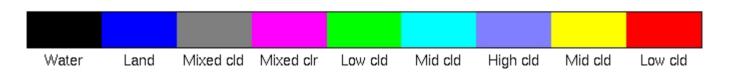


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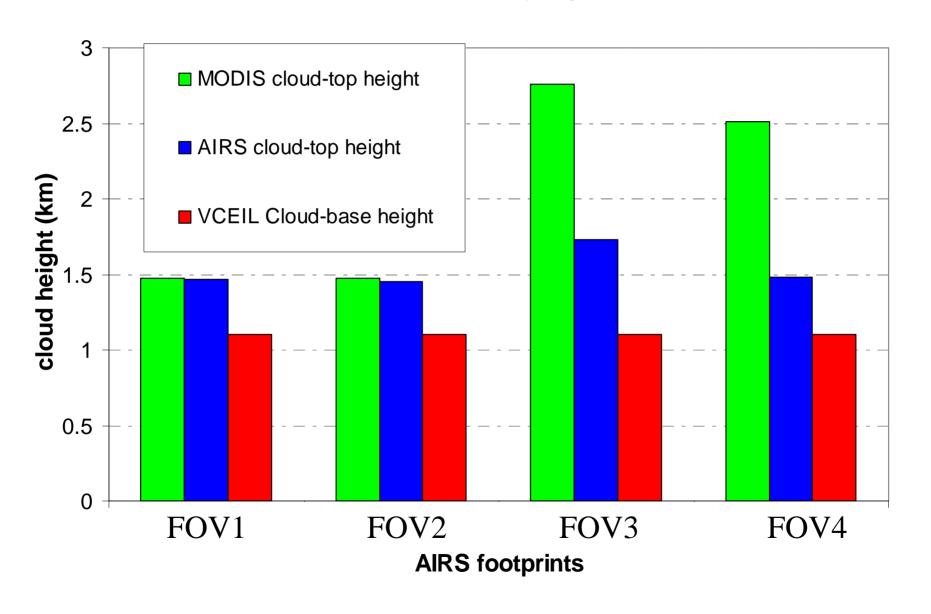
AIRS Four Footprints Near Purcell, OK

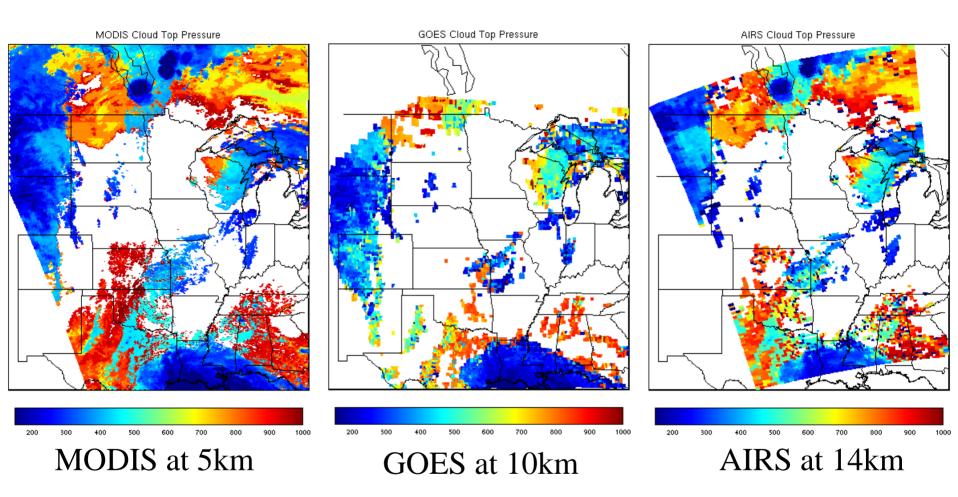






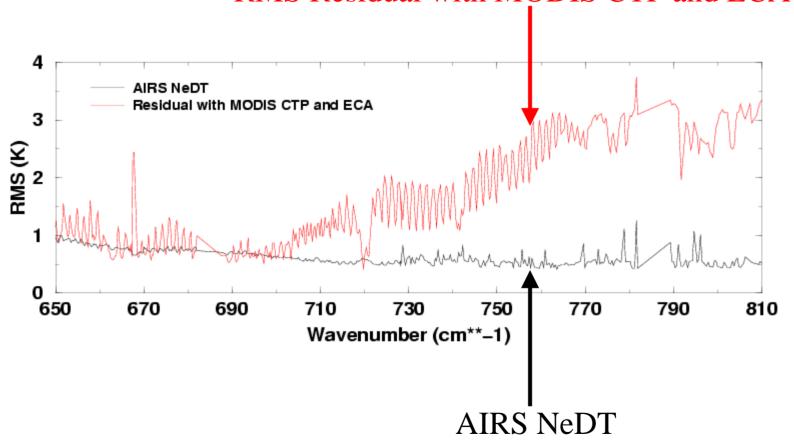
Cloud-top height retrievals



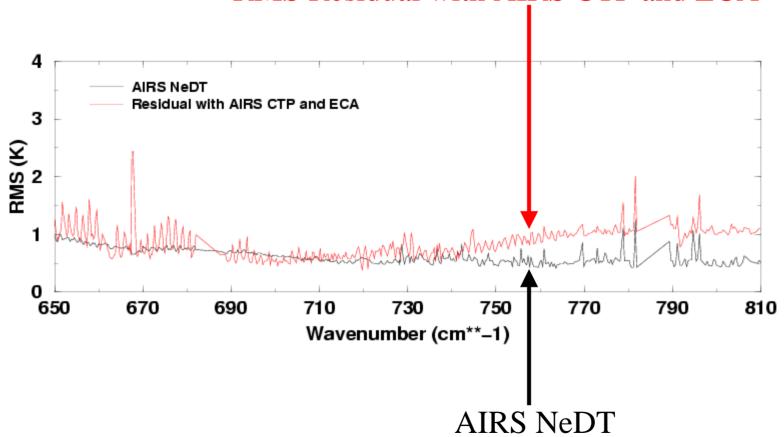


AIRS/MODIS/GOES CTP comparisons

RMS Residual with MODIS CTP and ECA



RMS Residual with AIRS CTP and ECA



Summary

- MODIS data help AIRS sub-pixel cloud detection and characterization
- With MODIS products as the background, improved atmospheric and cloud parameters can be obtained from sounder radiance measurements
- Other
 - Improved imager SST products with sounder emissivity retrieval
 - Image product + sounder product => better imager product

Future work

- Synergistic use of MODIS/AIRS for retrieving the atmospheric profiles and cloud properties simultaneously
- Prepare ABI/HES retrieval system, MODIS/AIRS data will be used

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