

# How Airborne Measurements May Help to Evaluate Models?

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**ACLOUD/PASCAL**

Wendisch et al. (2018), submitted to BAMS



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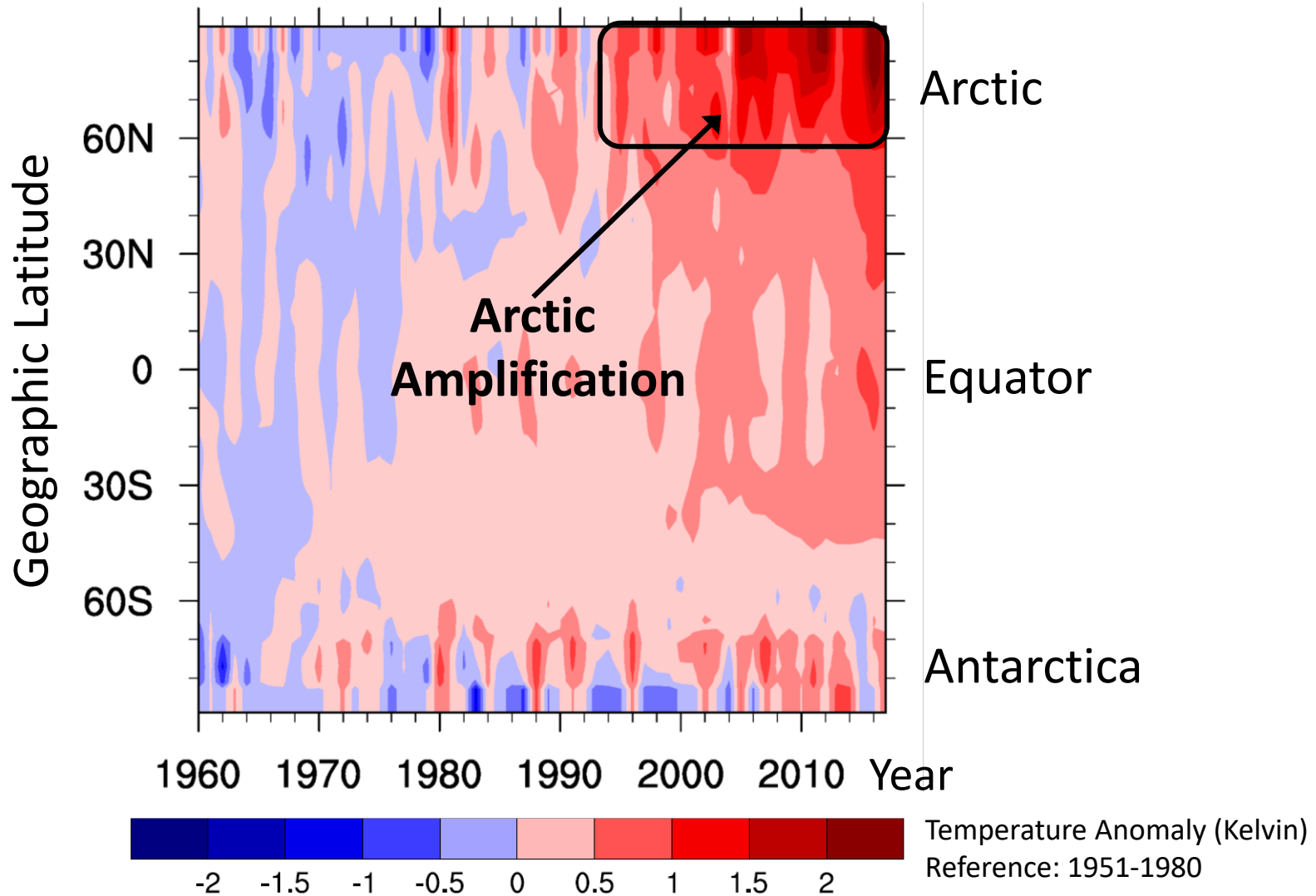
Schäfler et al. (2018), accepted by BAMS

# Arctic Amplification: Climate Relevant Atmospheric and Surface Processes, and Feedback Mechanisms (AC)<sup>3</sup>

**ACLOUD:** Arctic Cloud Observations Using airborne measurements during polar Day

**PASCAL:** Physical feedbacks of Arctic boundary layer, Sea ice, Cloud and Aerosol

# Arctic Near-Surface Air Temperature is on the Rise

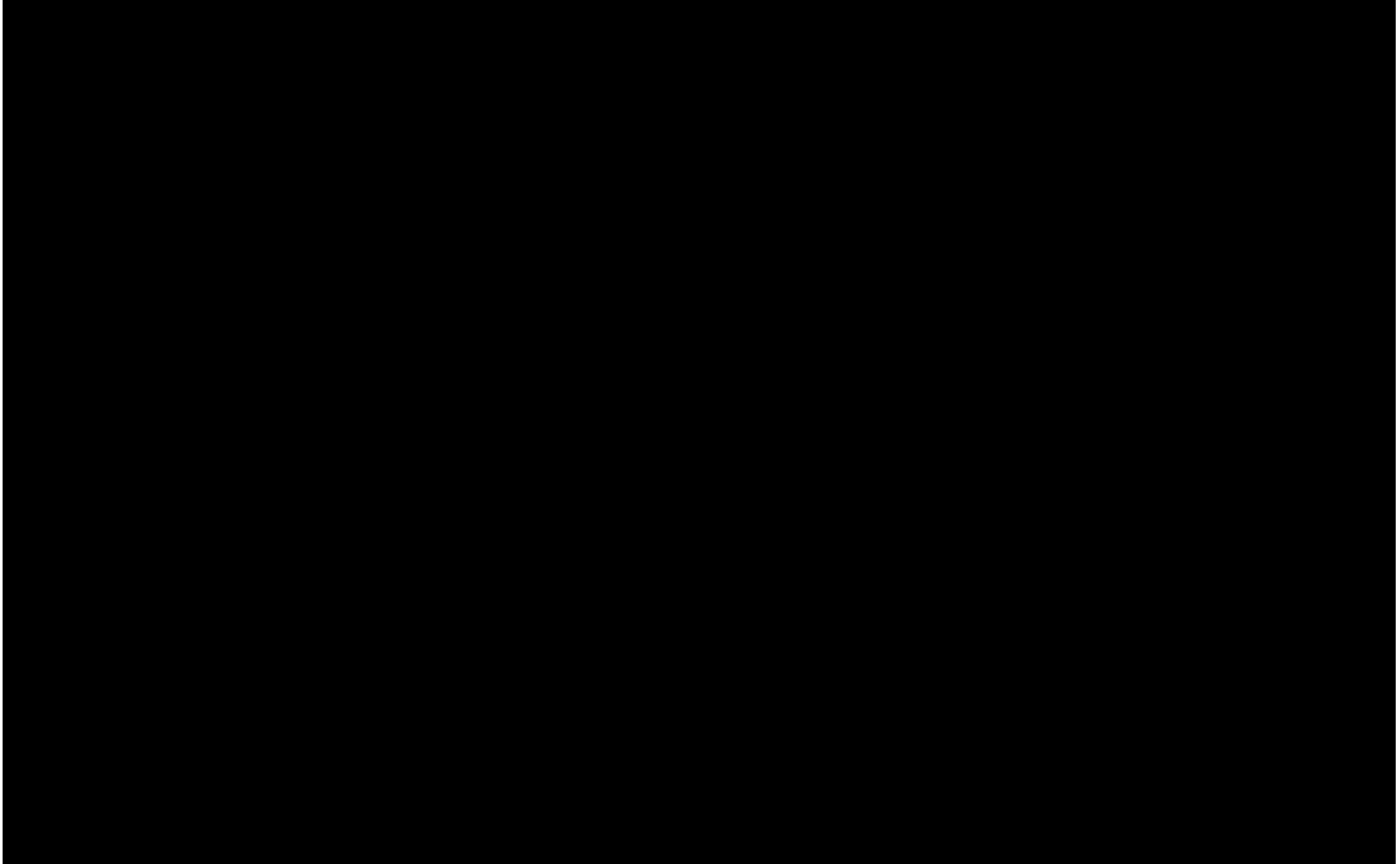


Credit: NASA/Goddard Institute for Space Studies

Wendisch et al. (2017)

# Why should we care?

Polar jet stream at ca. 10 km height (Color ~ wind speed)

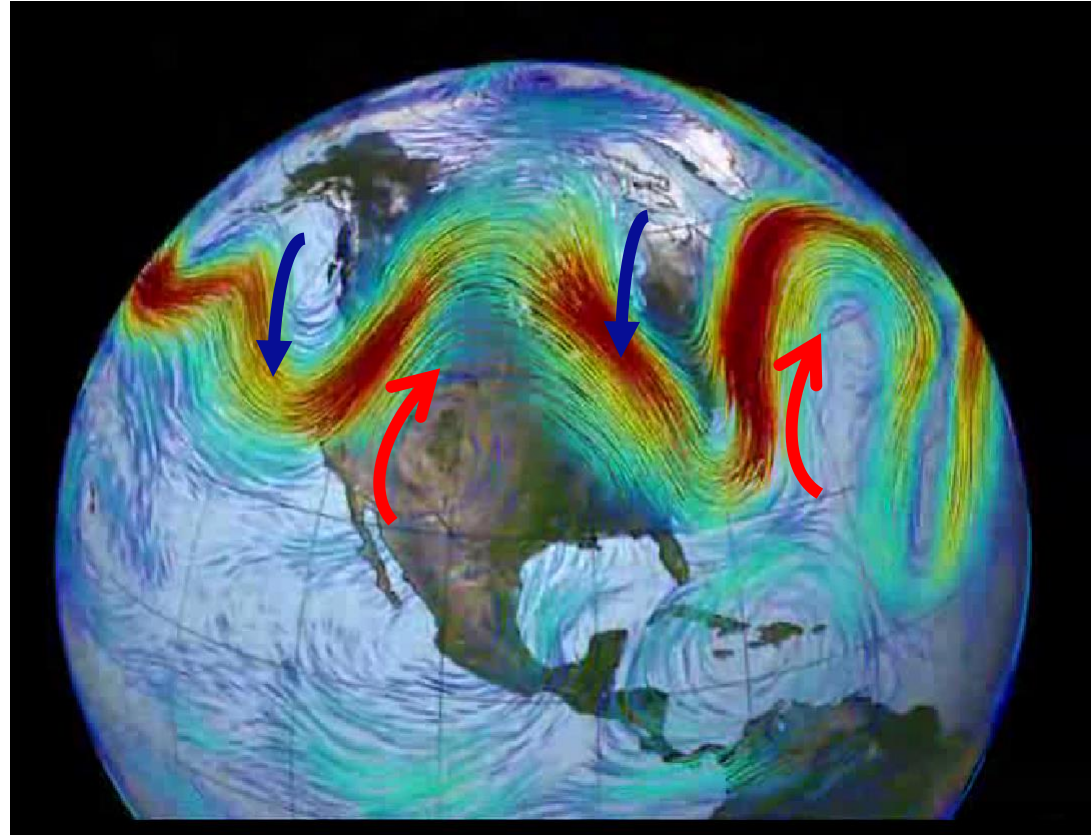


MERRA data, Jan. 2012, NASA

[www.giss.nasa.gov/research/news/20120313/629341main\\_Earth\\_jet\\_stream.jpg](http://www.giss.nasa.gov/research/news/20120313/629341main_Earth_jet_stream.jpg)

# Increase of Meandering of Polar Jetstream

Polar jet stream at  $\approx 10$  km height



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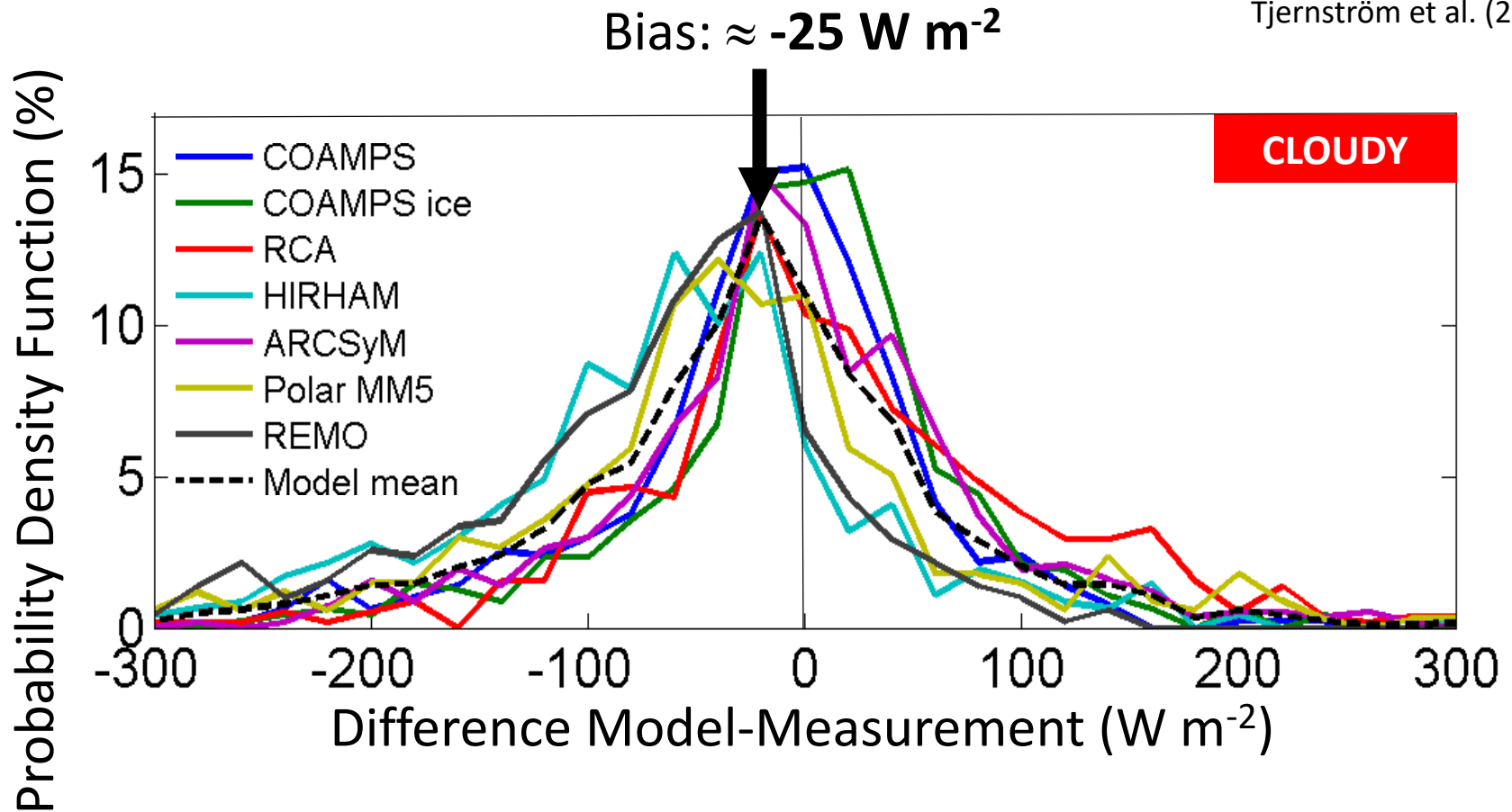
- Highly disputed
- Only one of several hypothesis

- Amplification of planetary wave amplitude?
- More blocking situations?
- Intensification of meridional transports?
- More extreme winters in mid-latitudes?

# Why should we care?

Downward solar RADIATIVE FLUXES at surface: 6 RCMs versus SHEBA observations

Tjernström et al. (2008)

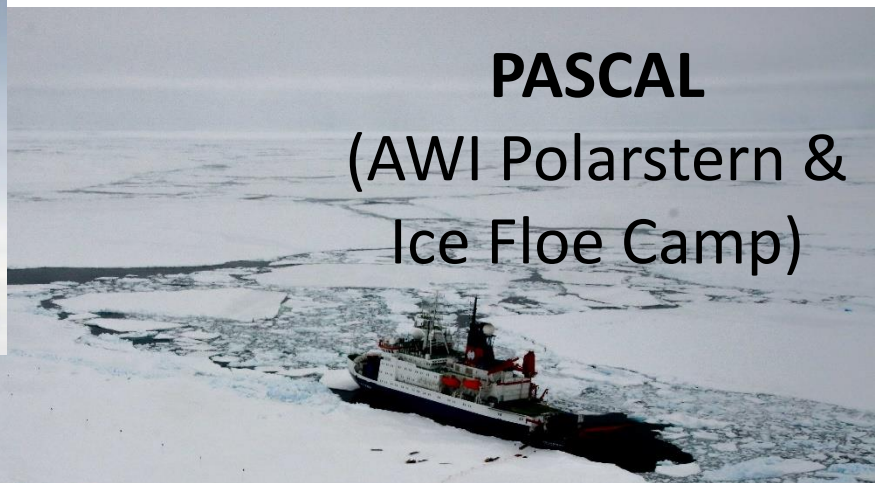




# Observations in May—June 2017



**ACLOUD** (AWI Aircraft P5 & P6, LYR)



**PASCAL**  
(AWI Polarstern & Ice Floe Camp)

Tethered Balloon



Foto: Stephan Schön, Sächsische Zeitung



Ny Ålesund



MODIS Terra

Sea Ice

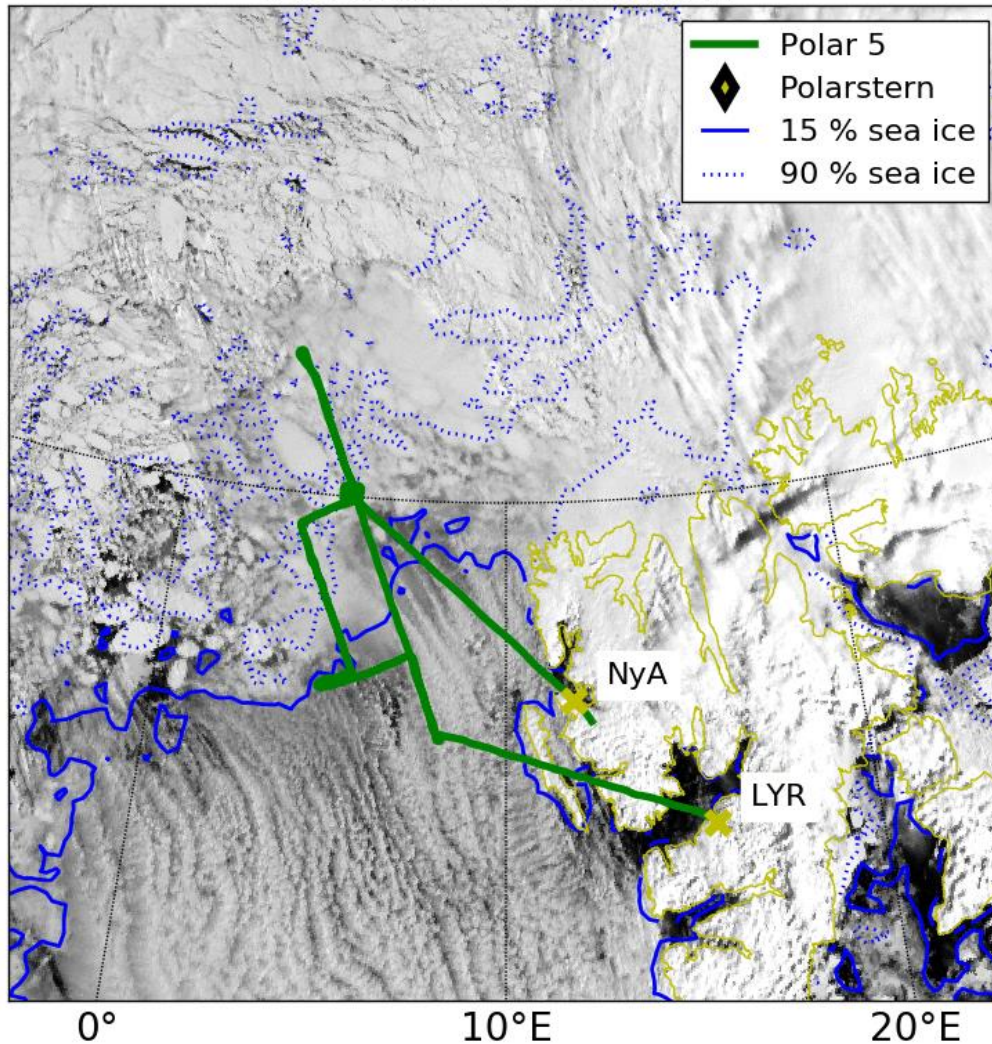
Open Water

★ Polarstern

◆ Longyearbyen  
(Aircraft)



ACLOUD 23.05.2017



## Flight Statistics

19 Flights P5 (84 hours)

19 Flights P6 (81 Hours)

16 Flights P5/P6

13 Flights P5/P6/Ny Ålesund

10 Flights P5/P6/Polarstern

6 Flights P5/P6/Cloudsat/Calipso

## Mission Types

Mixed-Phase Clouds

Arctic Precipitation

Aerosol Particles & Trace Gases

Turbulent Fluxes

Radiation Budget

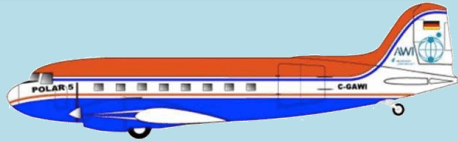
Surface Albedo

Satellite Validation

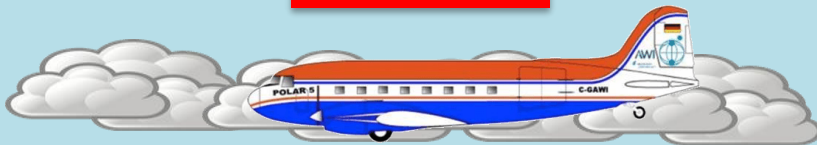
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# Observations in May—June 2017

P5 = Remote Sensing

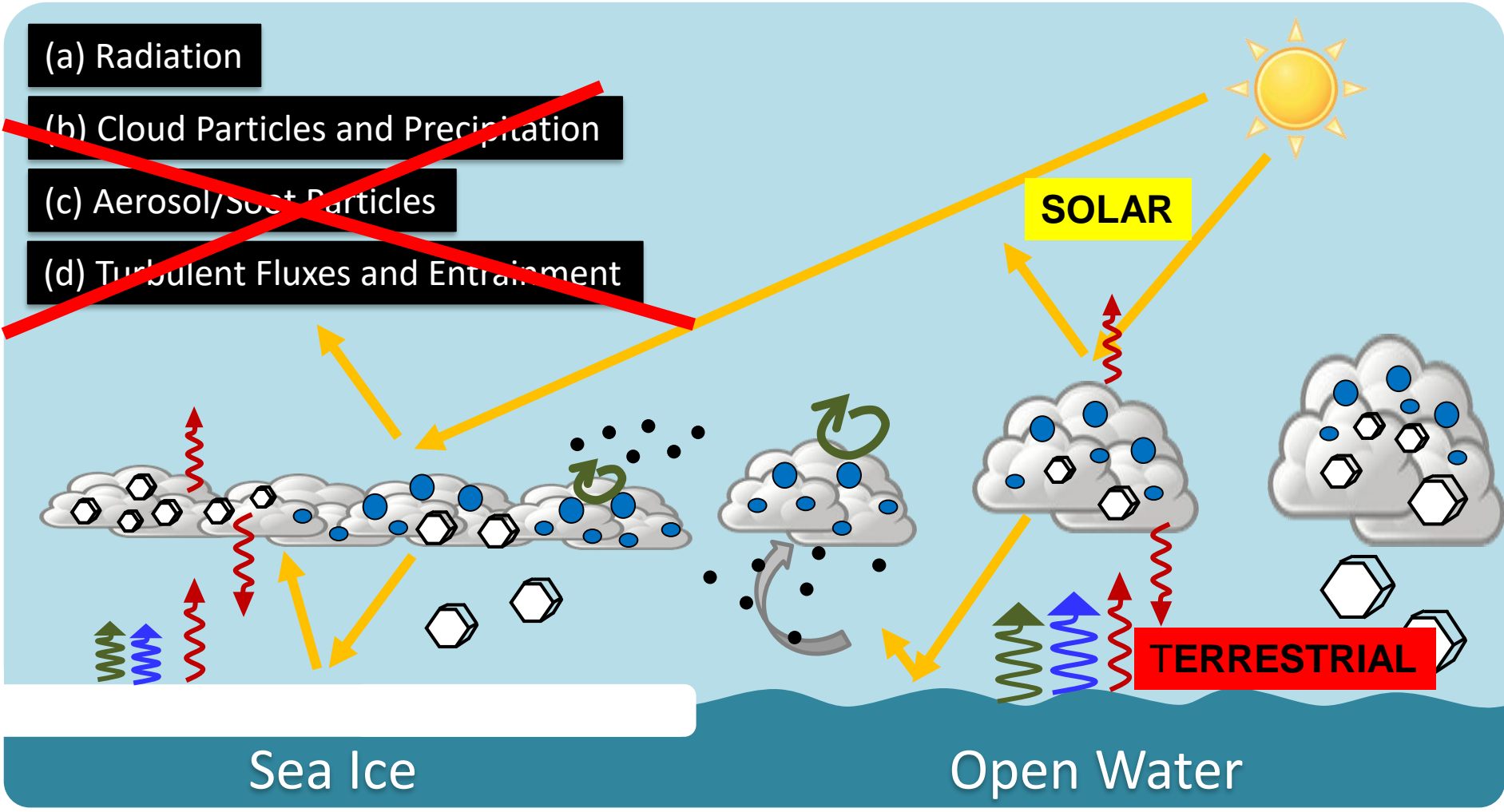


P6 = In Situ



Polarstern + Balloon+ Ice Floe Camp & Ny Ålesund = Remote Sensing + In Situ

# Observations in May—June 2017



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- Surface Albedo and Brightness Temperature

$$F^{\uparrow} / F^{\downarrow}$$

- Net Irradiance

$$F_{\text{net}} = F^{\downarrow} - F^{\uparrow}$$

- Heating Rates

$$dF_{\text{net}} / dz$$

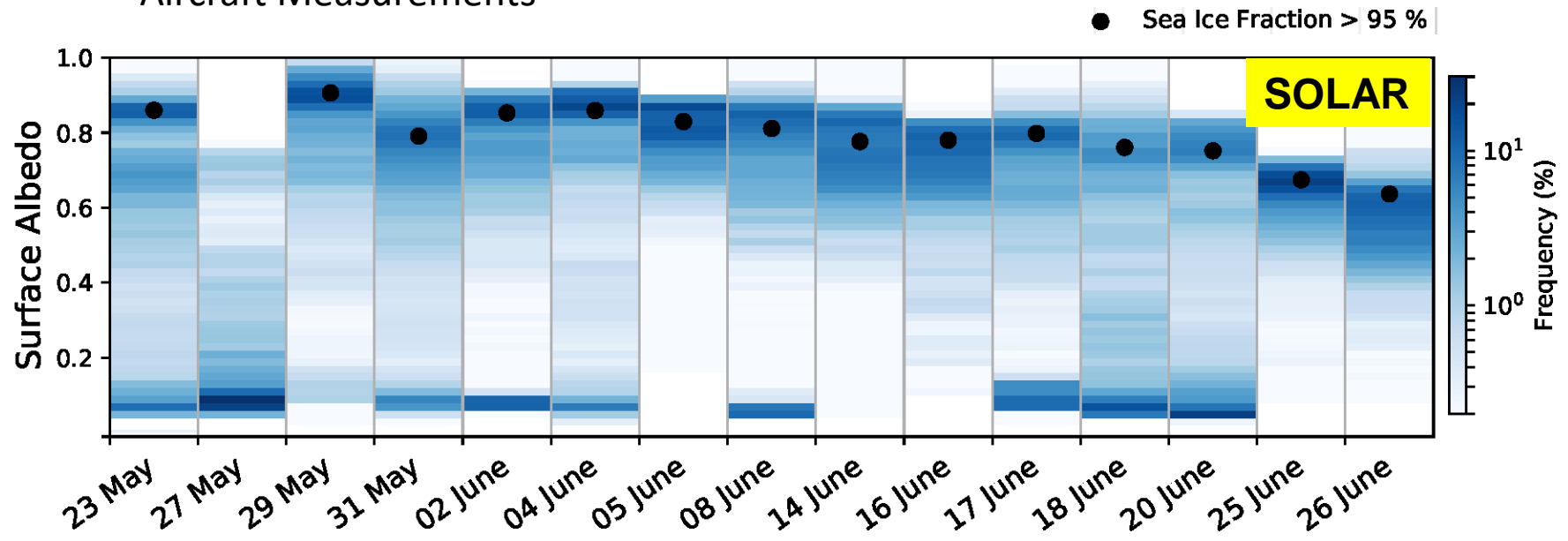
- Cloud Radiative Forcing

$$F_{\text{net,cloud}} - F_{\text{net,cloud-free}}$$



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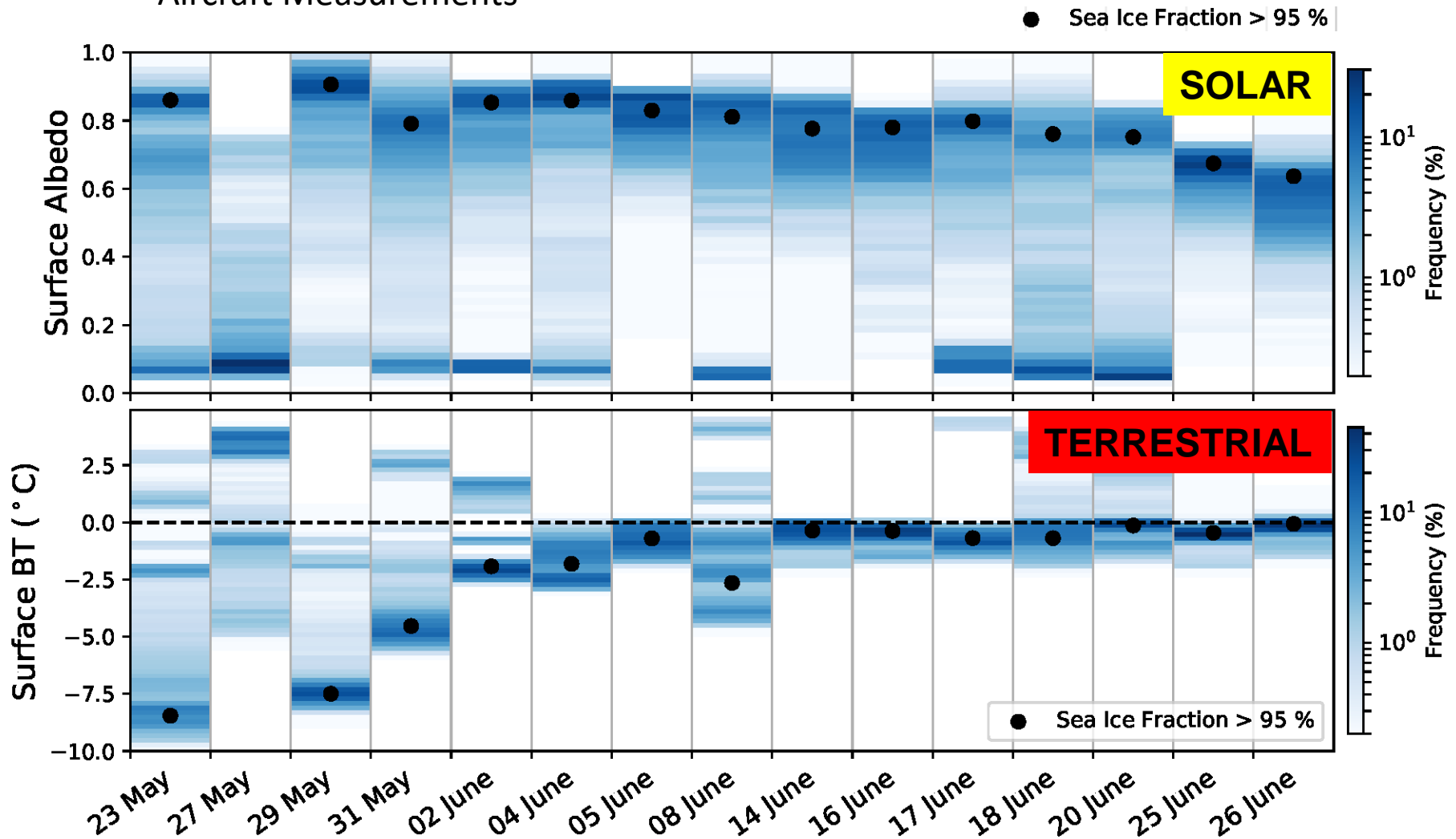
## Aircraft Measurements



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# Surface Albedo and Brightness Temperature

## Aircraft Measurements



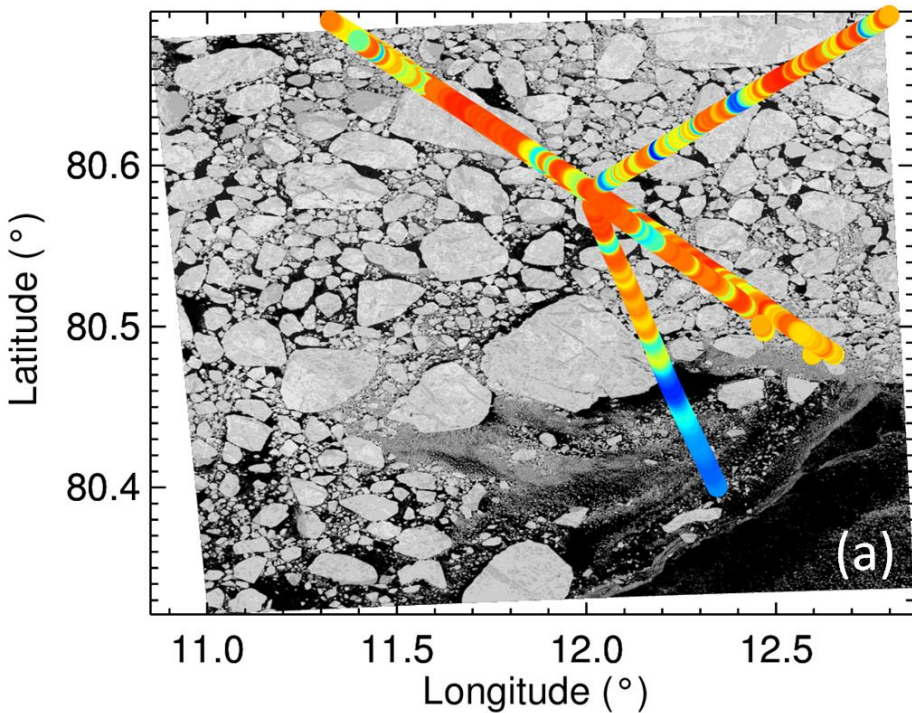
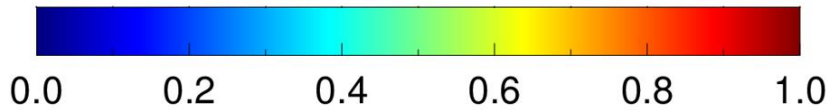
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# Surface Albedo and Brightness Temperature

Aircraft Measurements

**SOLAR**

Spectral Albedo

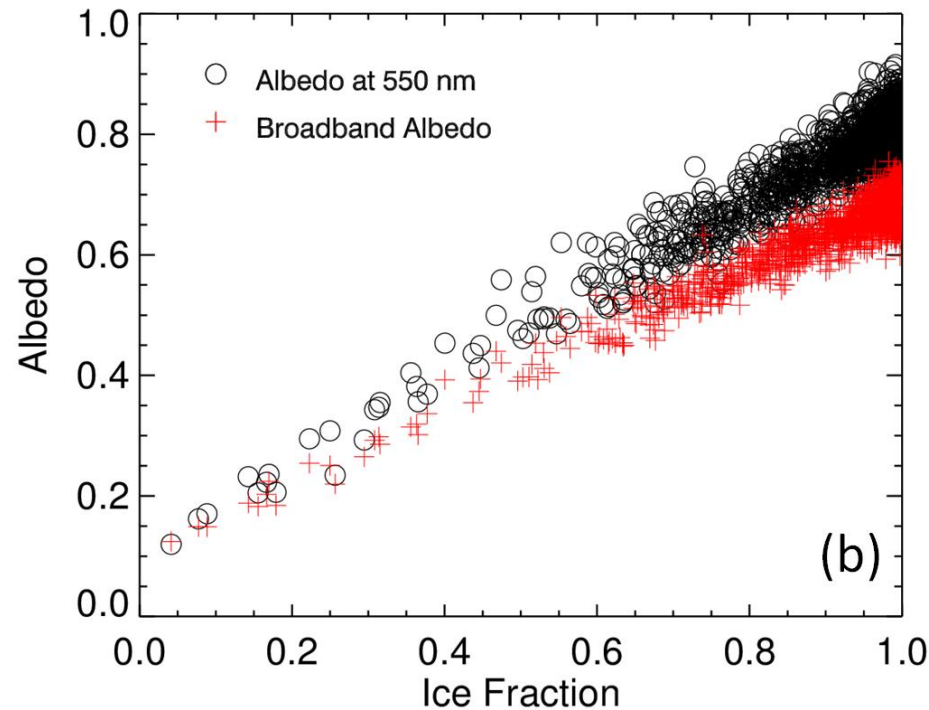
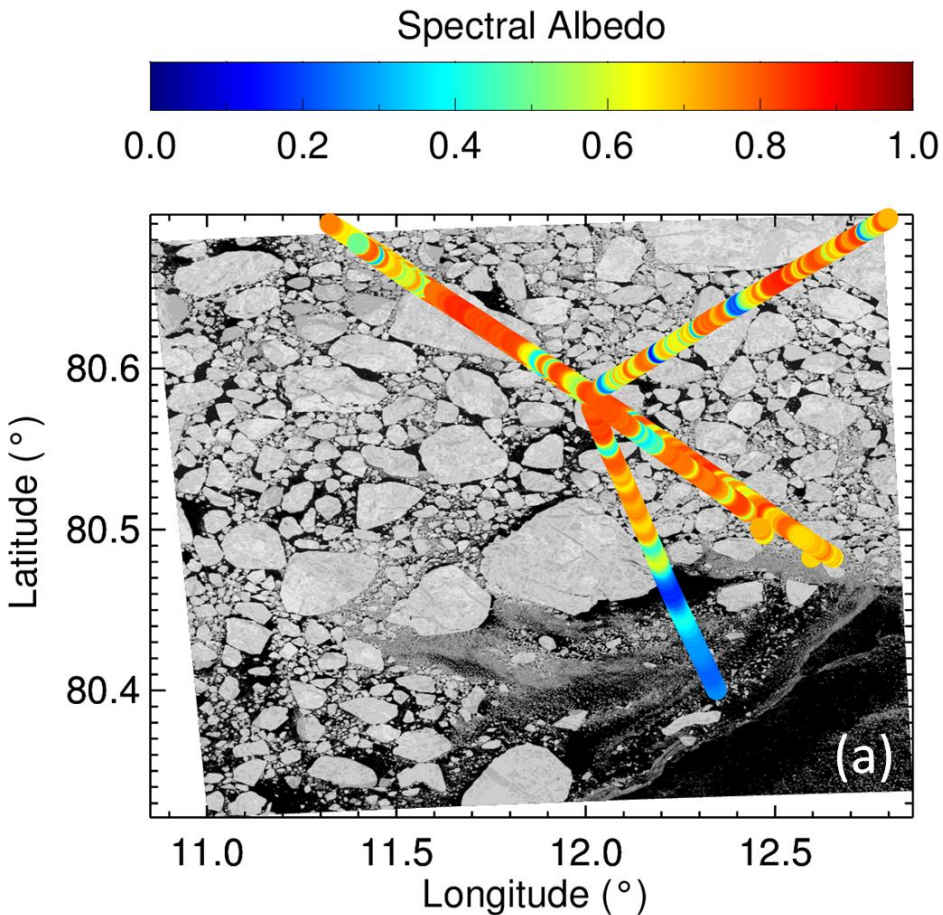


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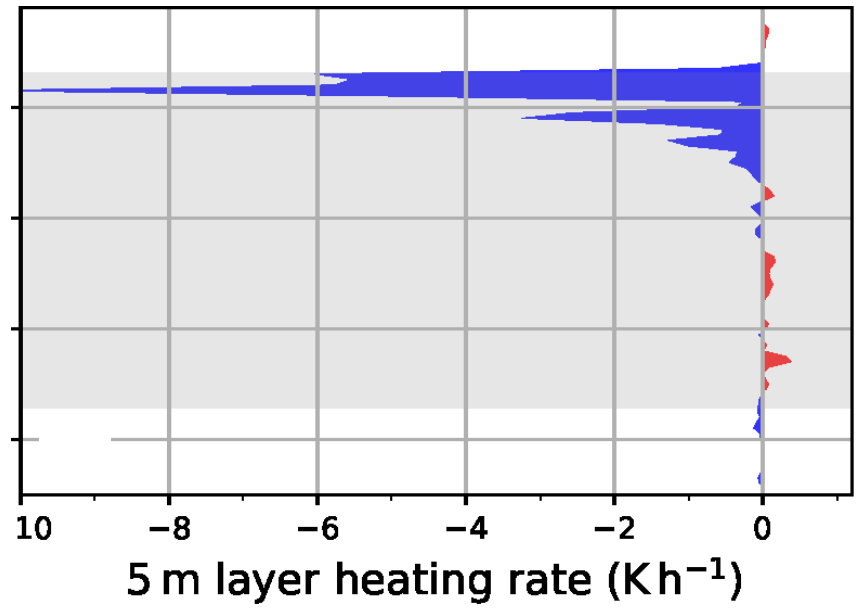


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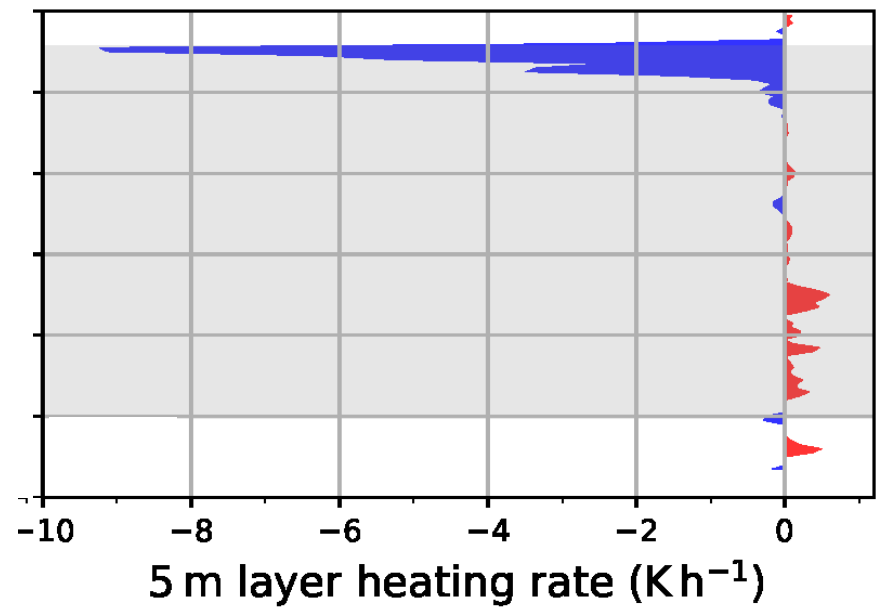
Aircraft Measurements

**TERRESTRIAL**

Over SEA ICE



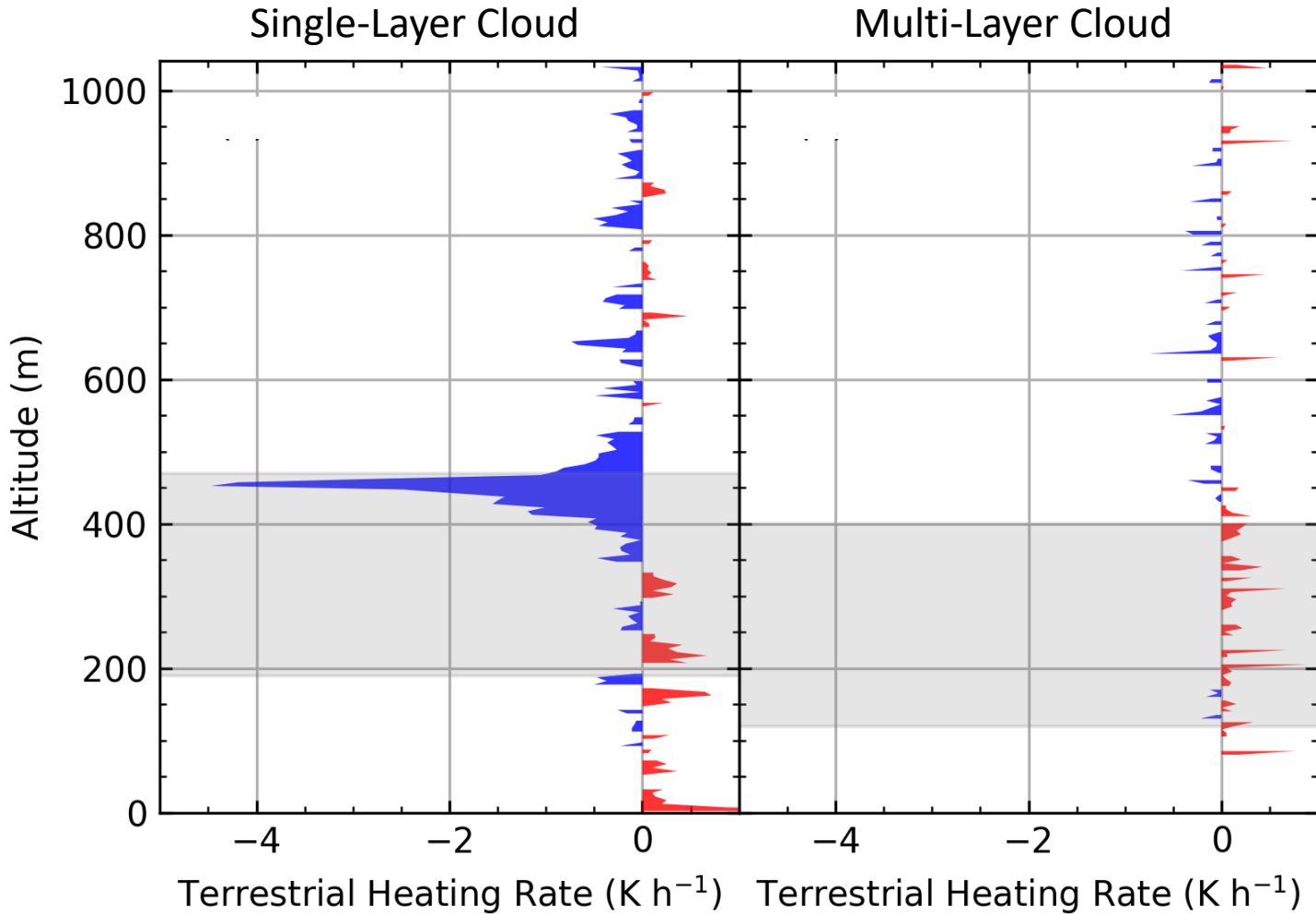
Over OPEN OCEAN



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Heating Rates  $\rightarrow dF_{\text{net}} / dz$ 

Balloon Measurements

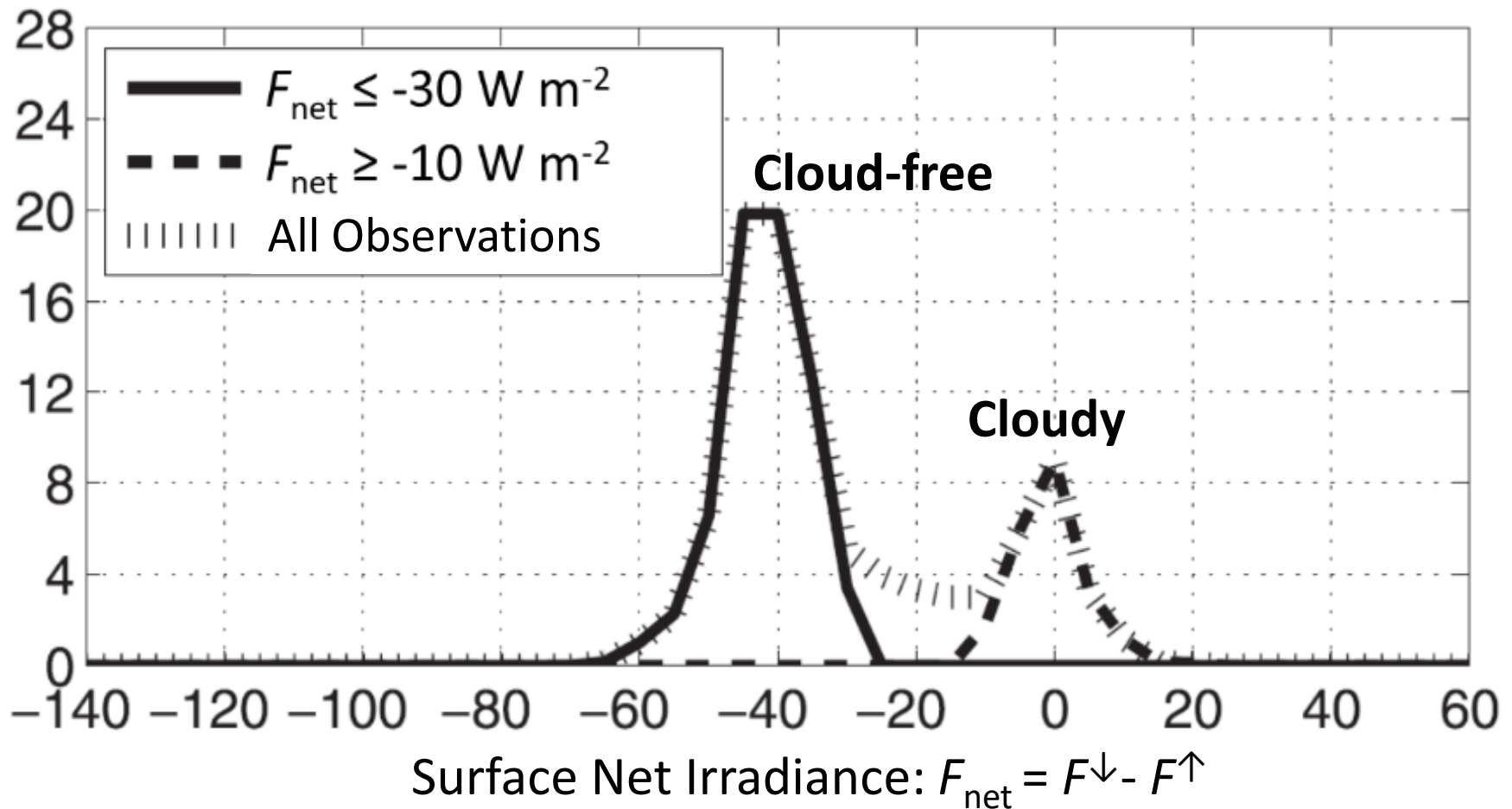
**TERRESTRIAL**

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# Net Irradiance $\rightarrow F_{\text{net}} = F_{\downarrow} - F_{\uparrow}$

Surface Measurements

**TERRESTRIAL**

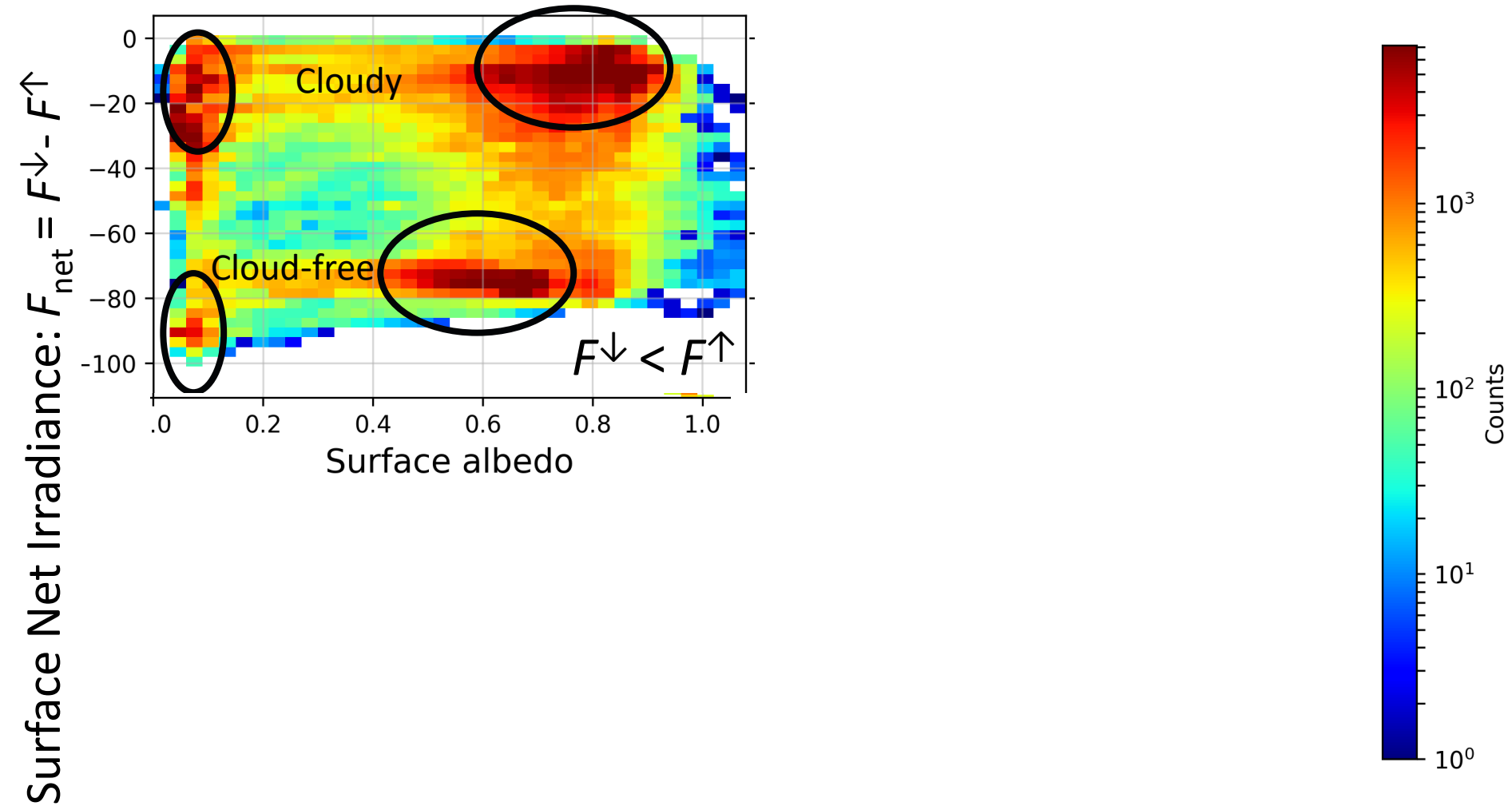


Stramler et al. (2012)

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Aircraft Measurements



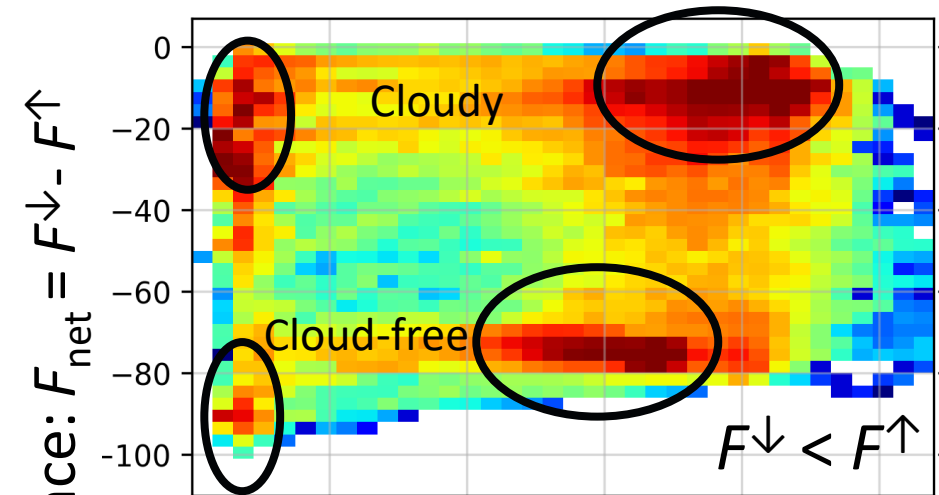
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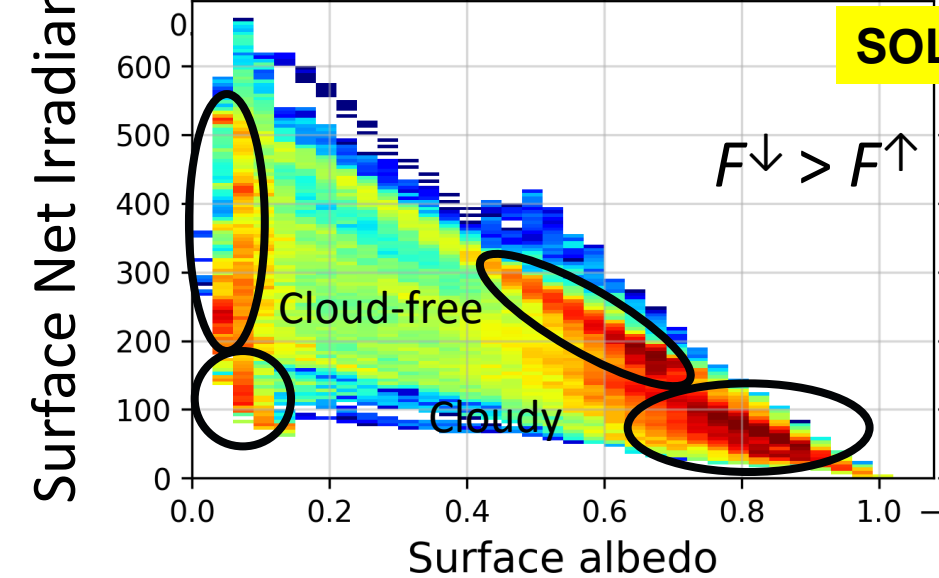
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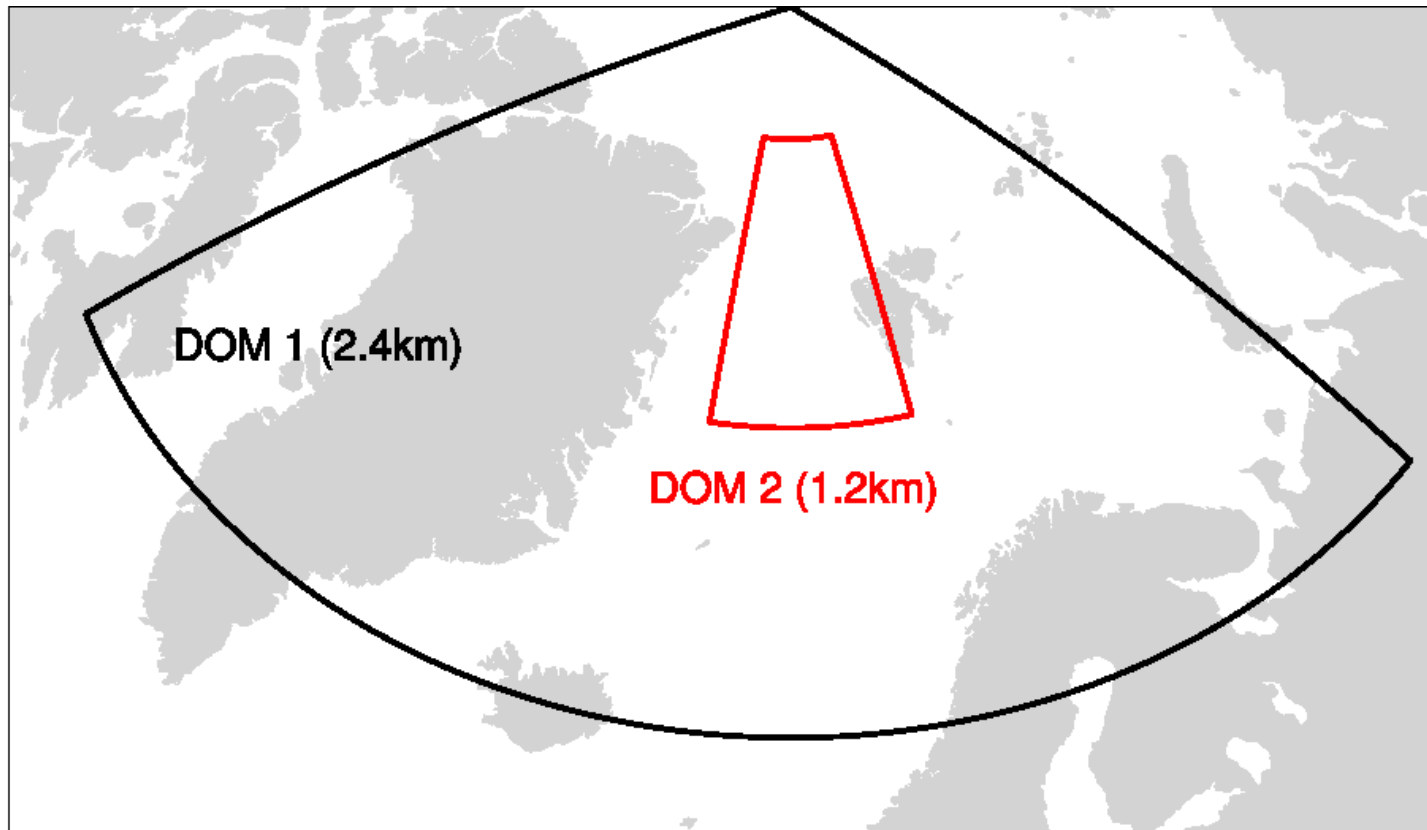


**SOLAR**



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# ICON (ICOsahedral Non-hydrostatic)—NWP model, DWD



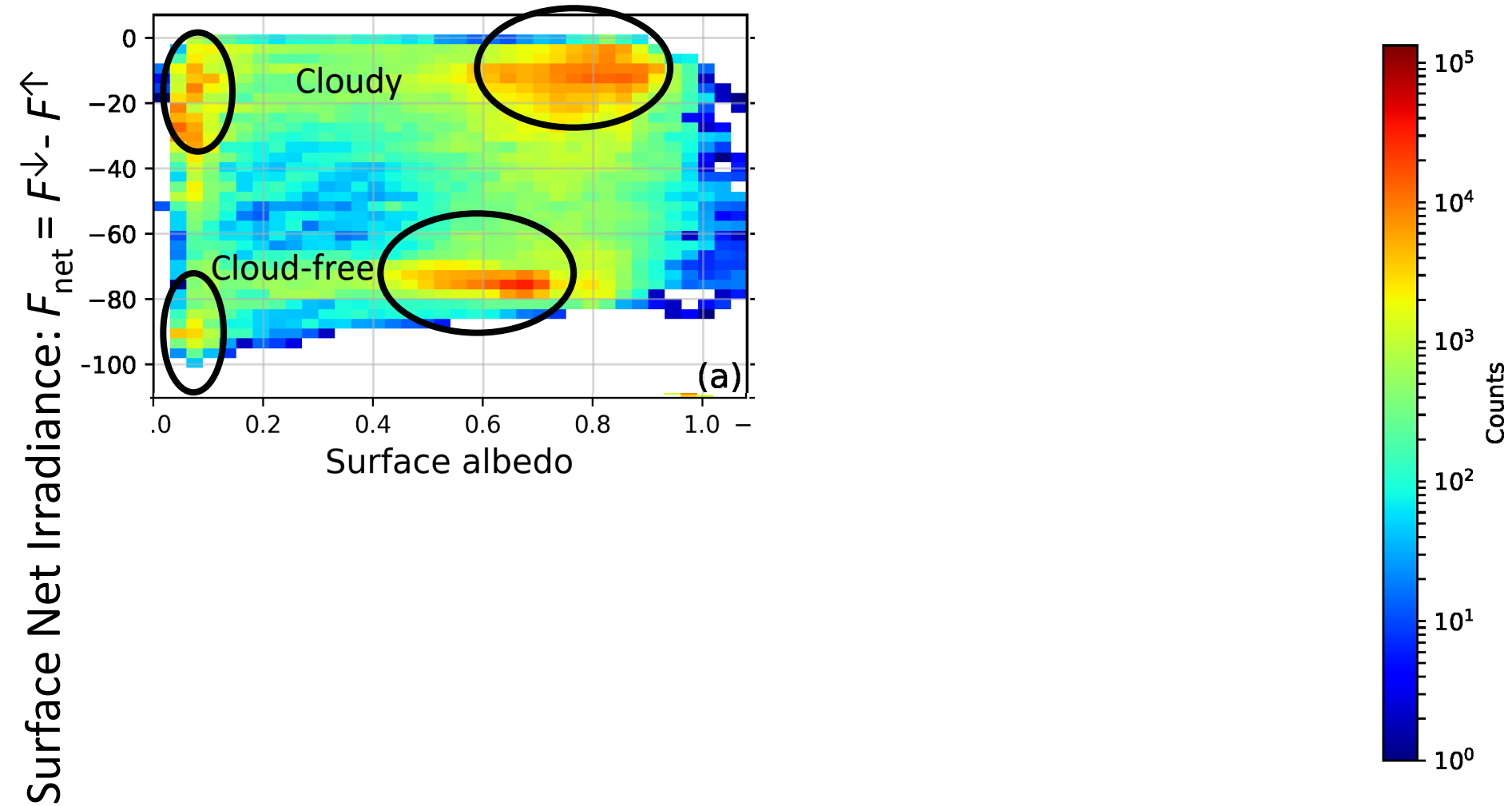
- ICON runs (2.4 km, nest with 1.2 km, 75 vertical layers each)
- Initial and boundary condition from IFS (reinitialized every day)
- Sampled model output (temporal and spatial) along flight track

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Aircraft Measurements



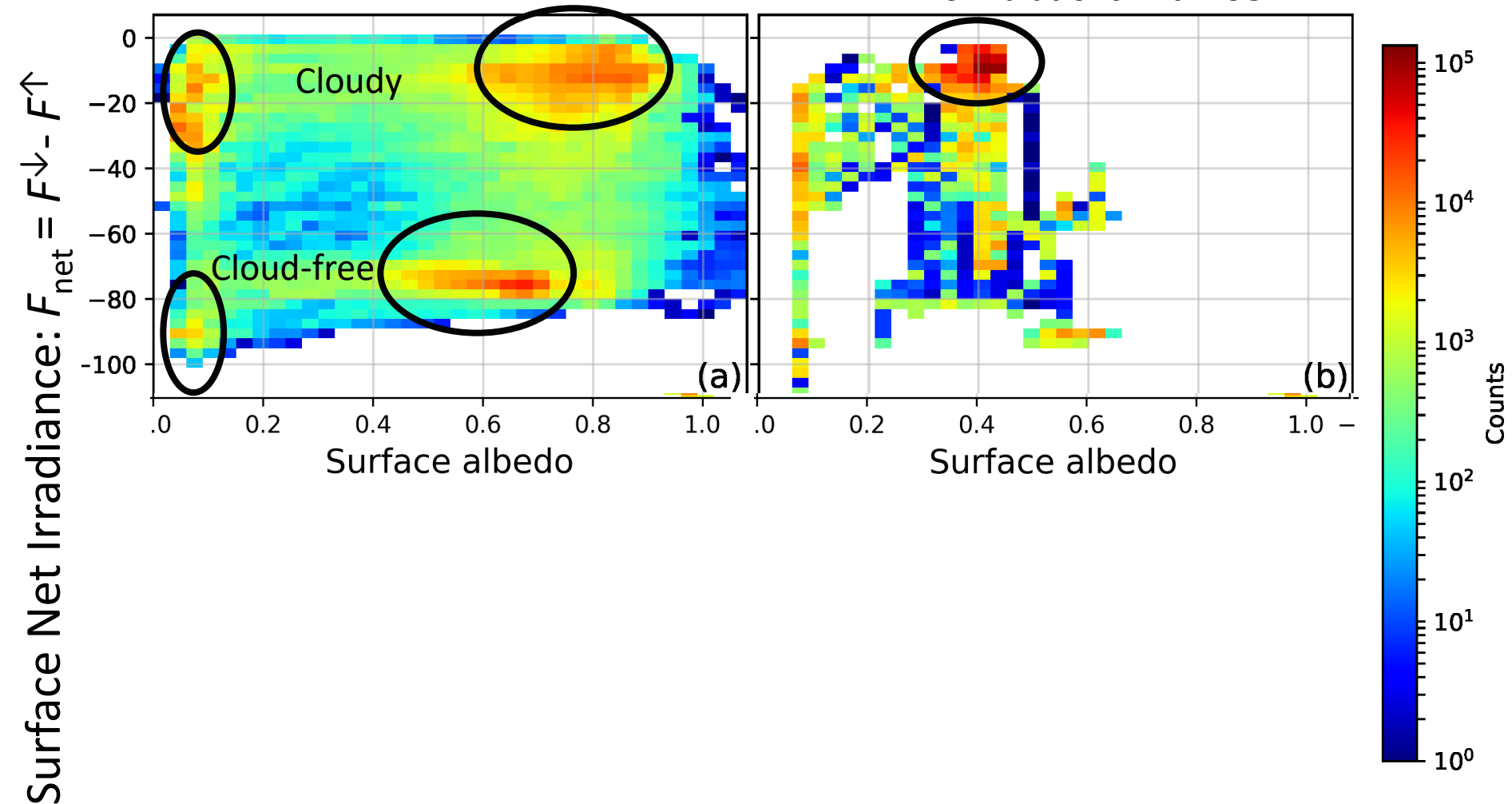
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Aircraft Measurements

Simulations with ICON



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Measurements

Simulations

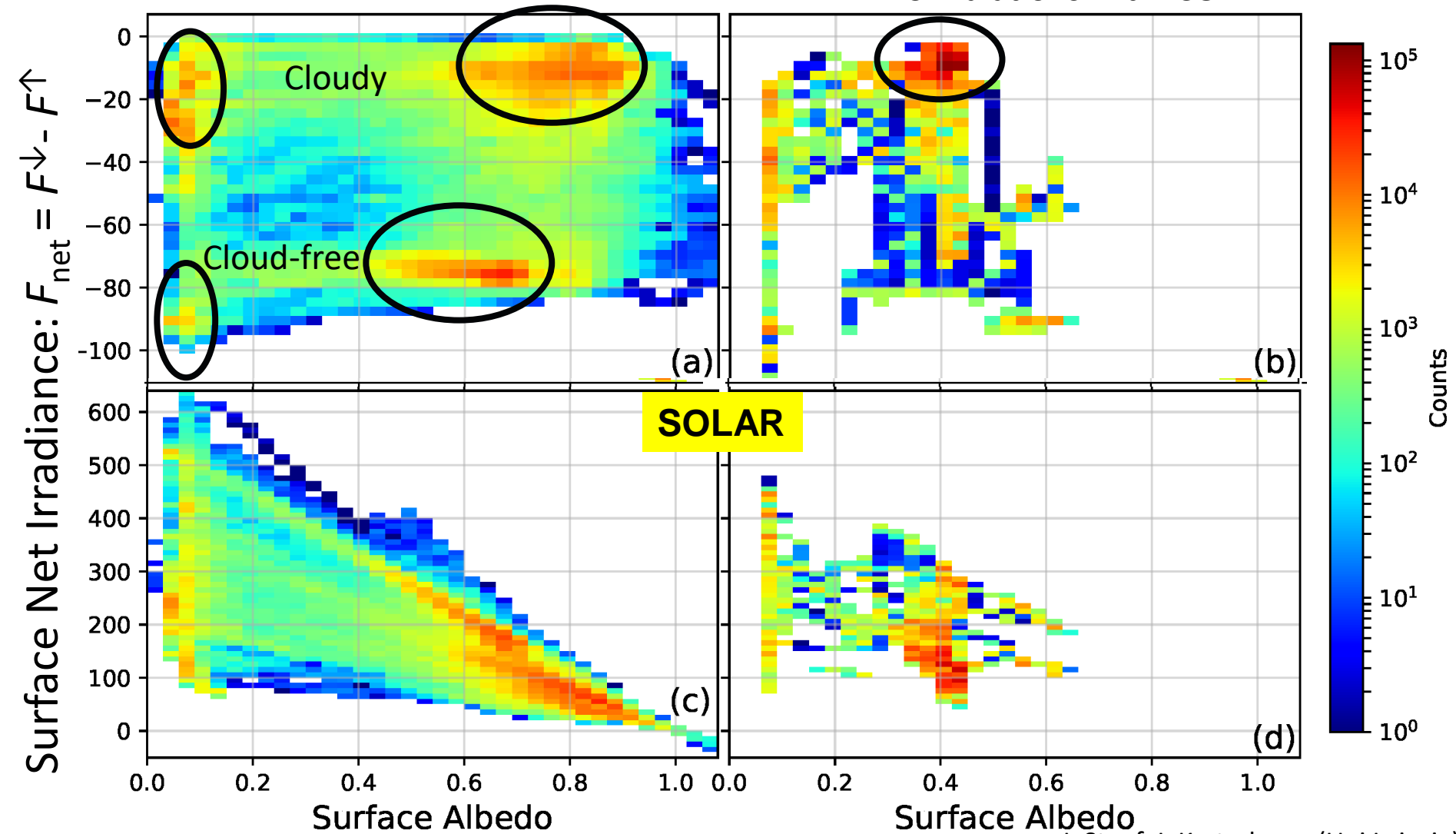
Summary

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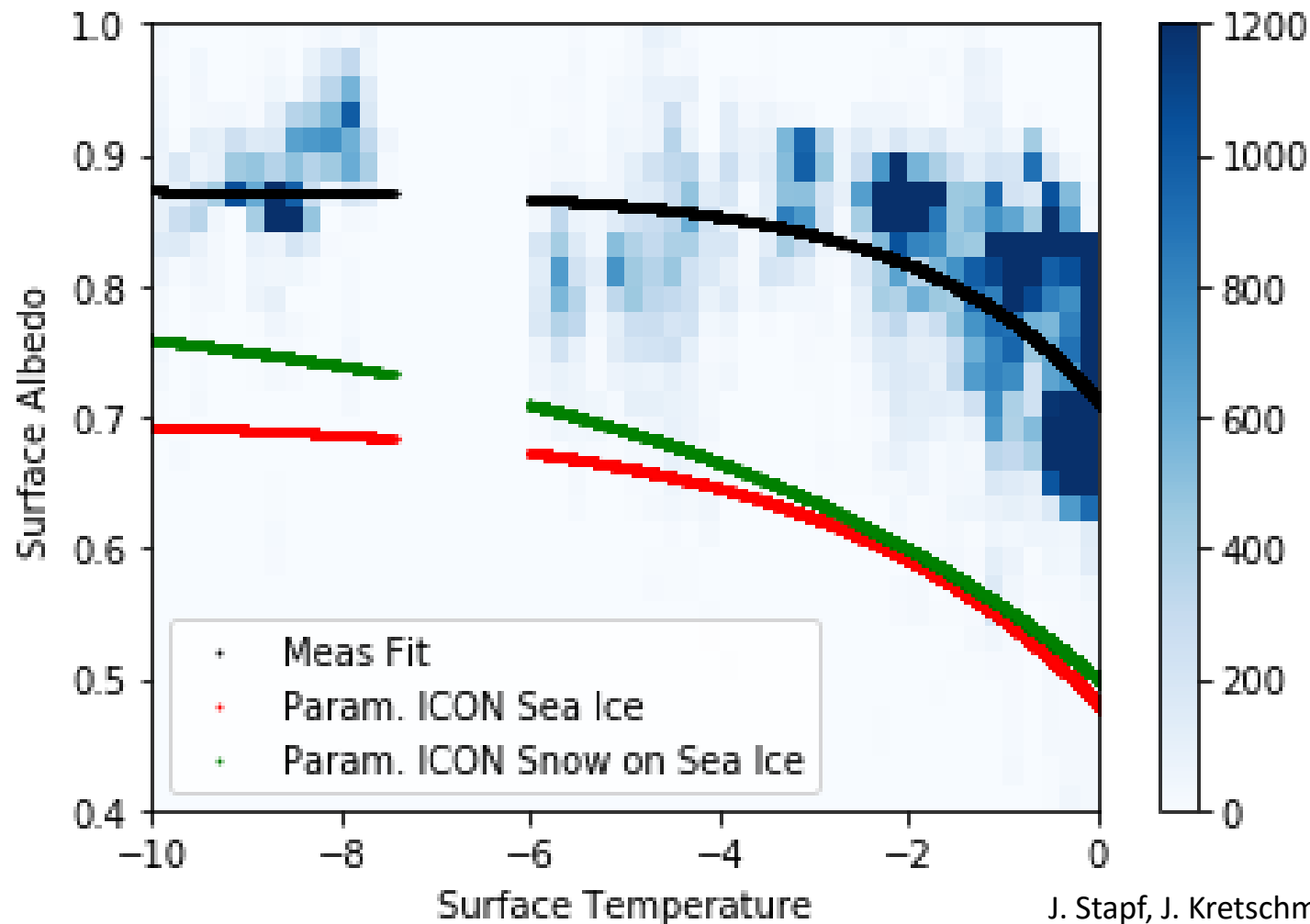
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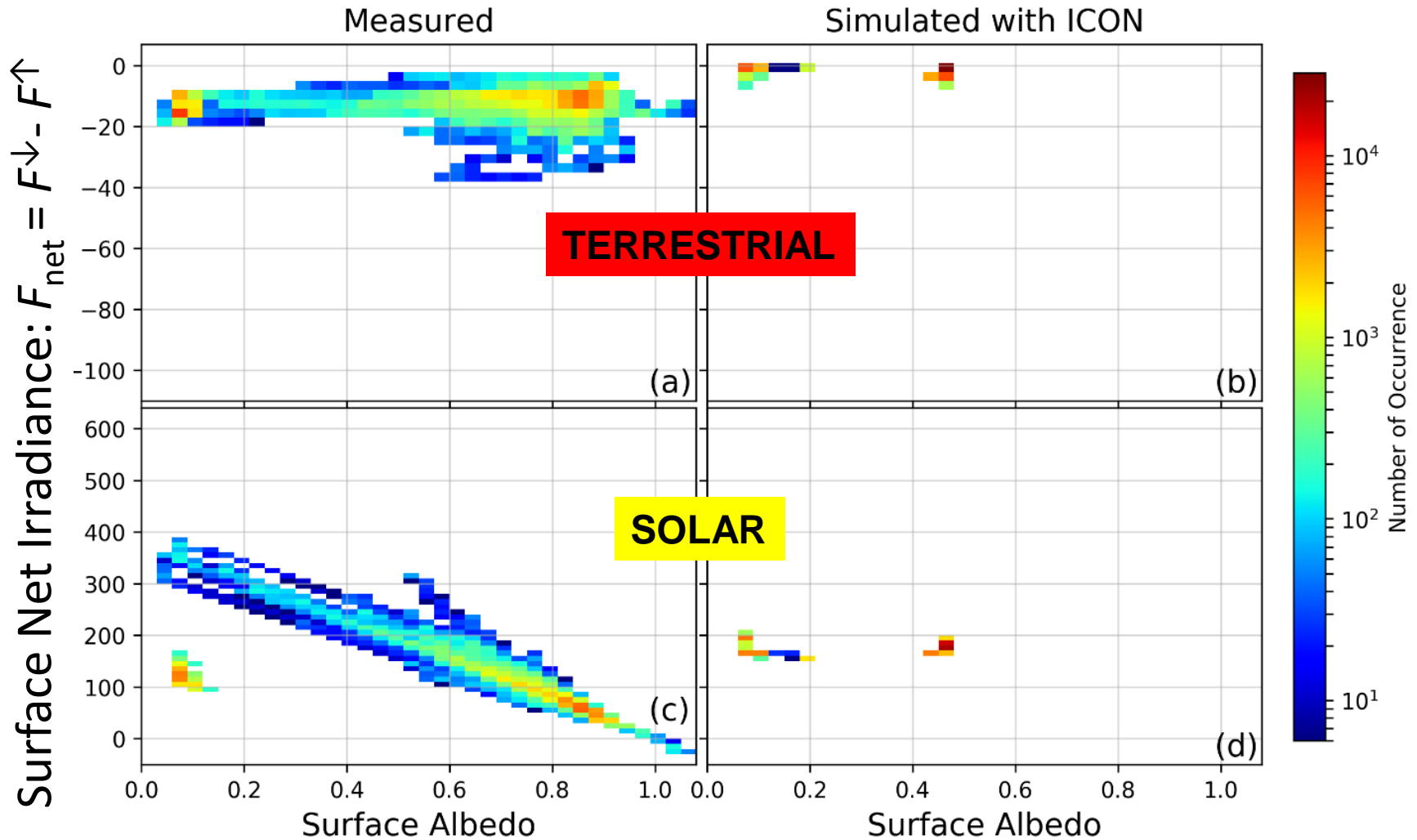
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In the applied ICON-NWP version, the surface albedo is solely a function of surface temperature over sea ice



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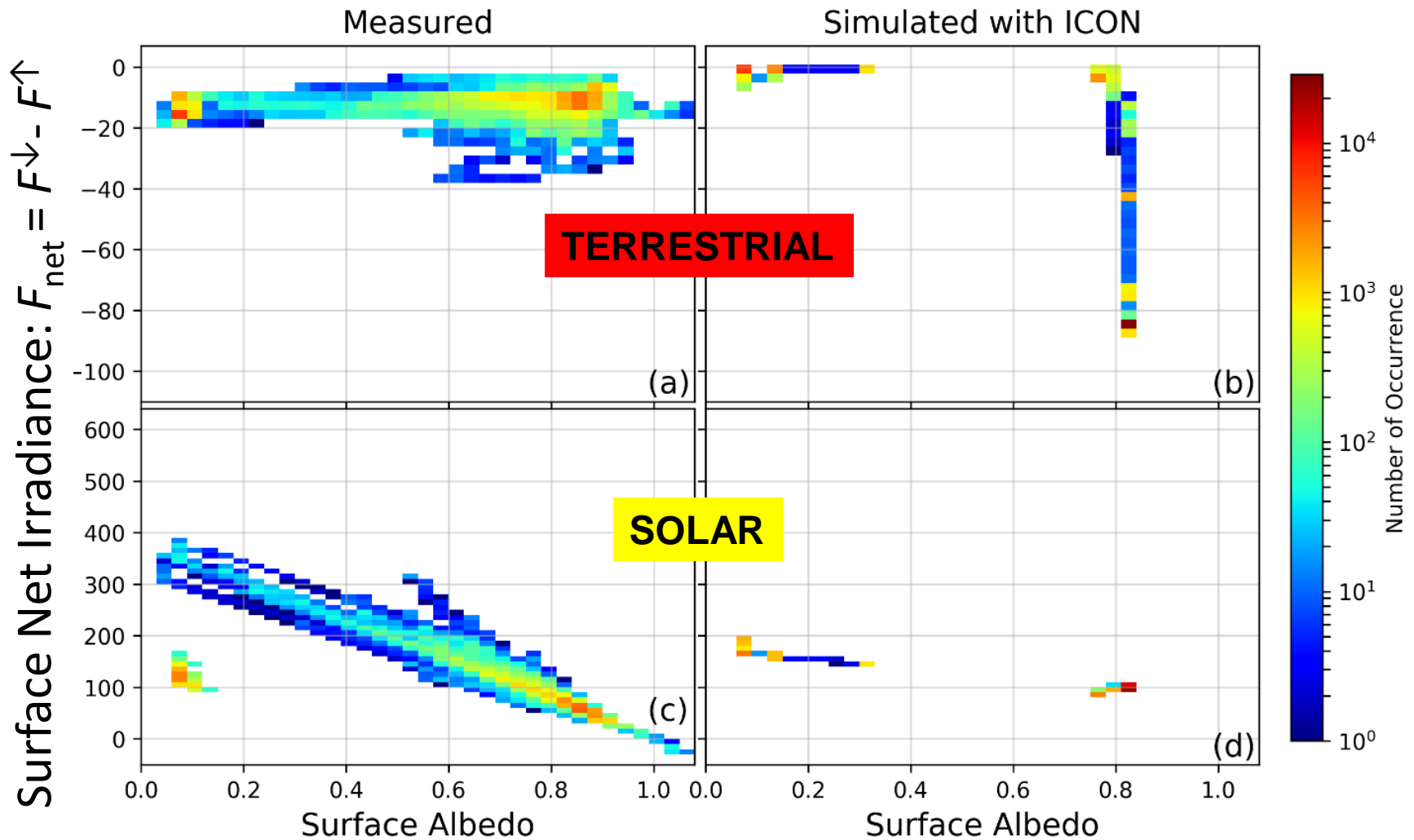
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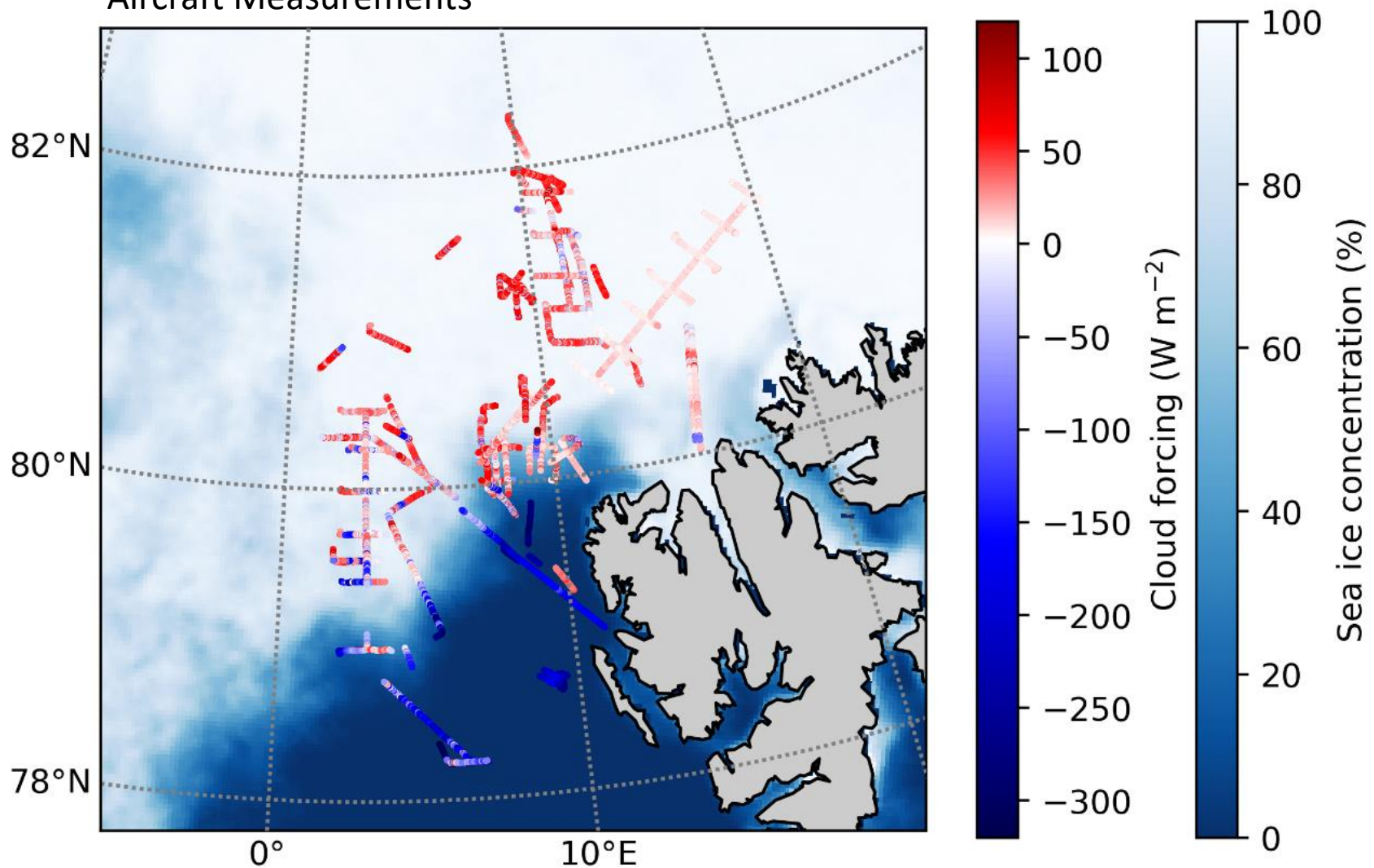
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# Cloud Radiative Forcing $\rightarrow F_{\text{net,cloud}} - F_{\text{net,cloud-free}}$

## SOLAR + TERRESTRIAL

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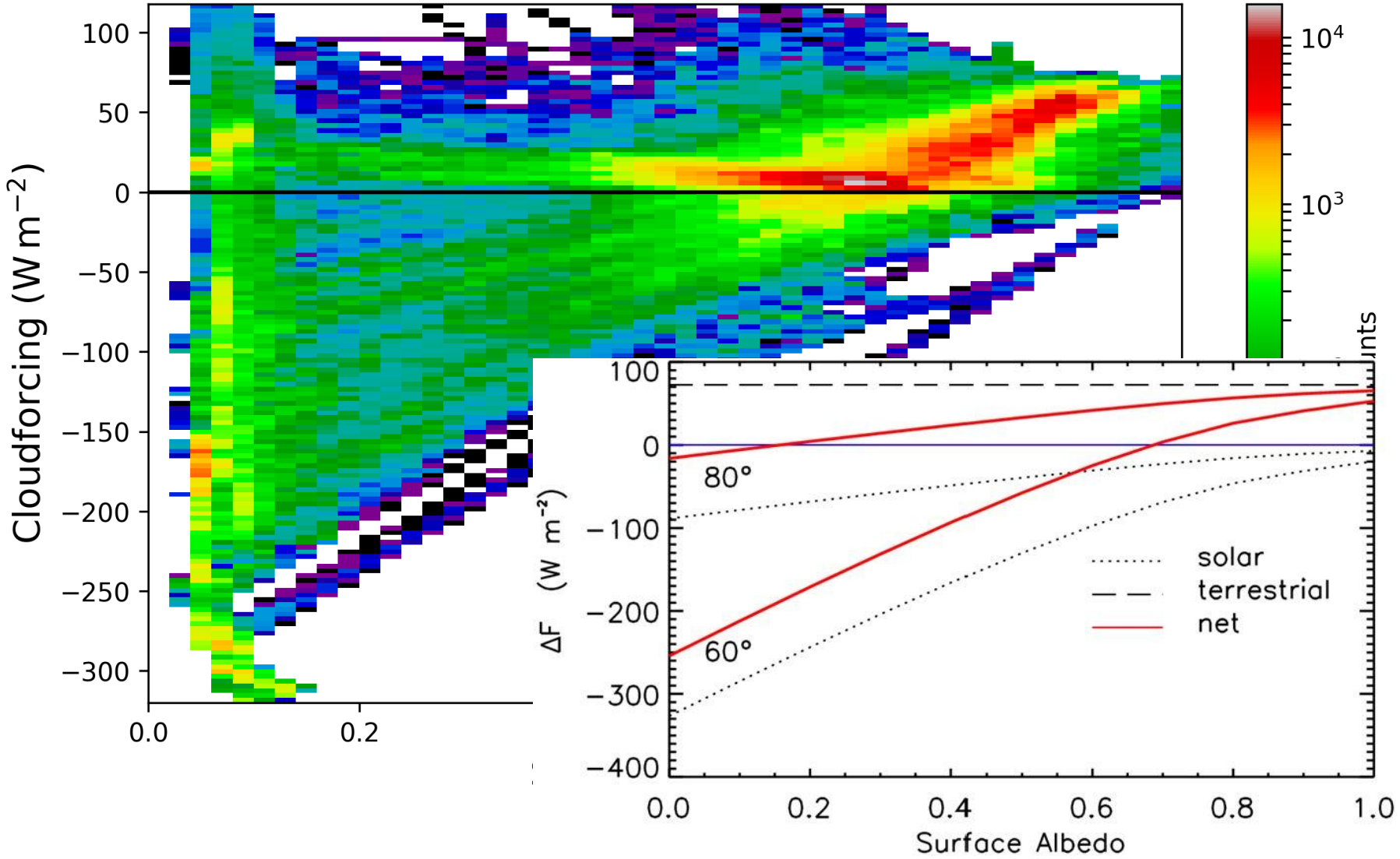


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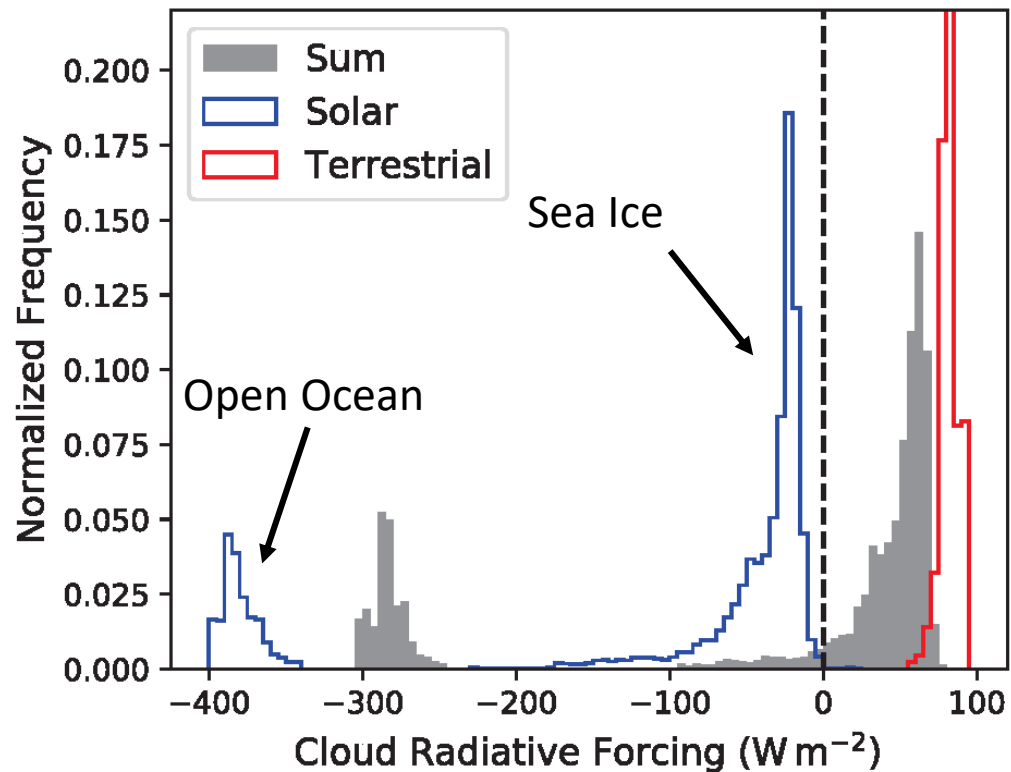




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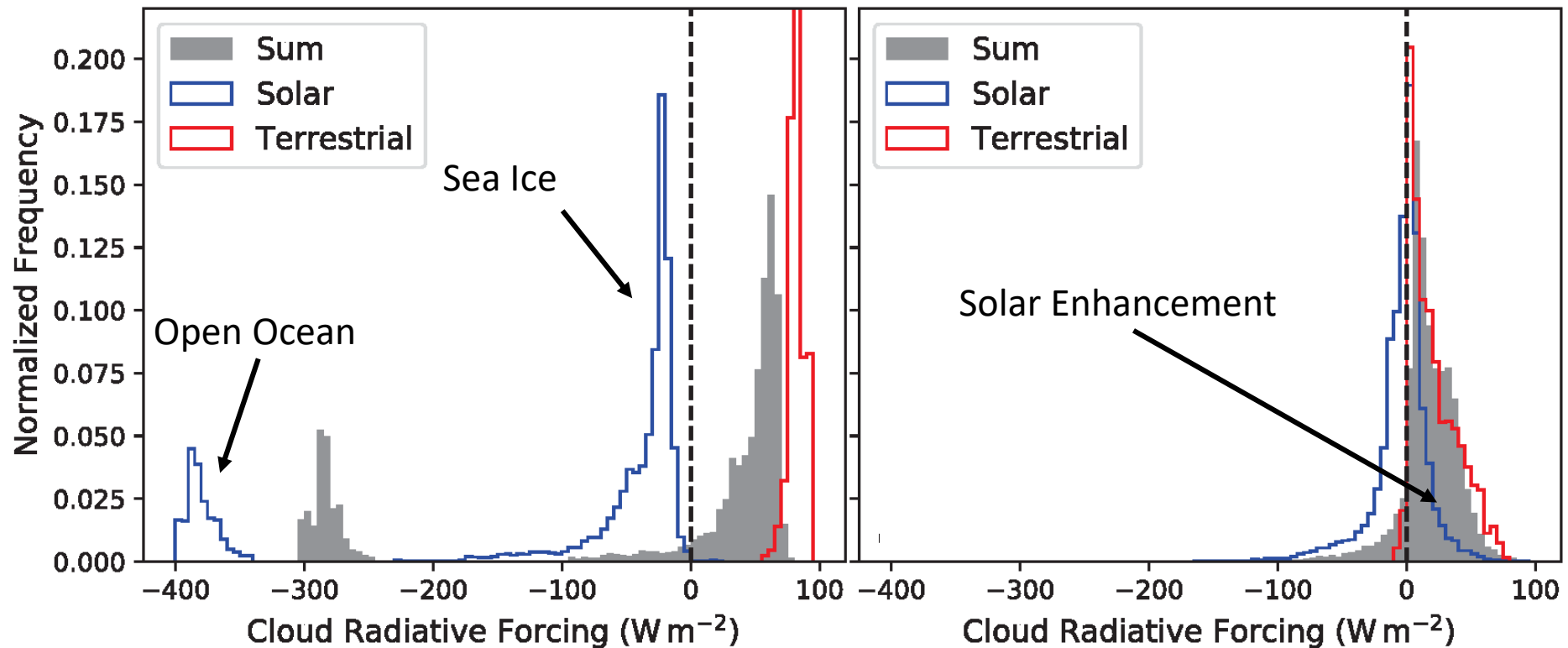


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# Cloud Radiative Forcing $\rightarrow F_{\text{net,cloud}} - F_{\text{net,cloud-free}}$

## Aircraft Measurements

2 June: Thick Clouds over Open Water/Sea Ice    31 May: Thin, Broken Cloud over Sea Ice



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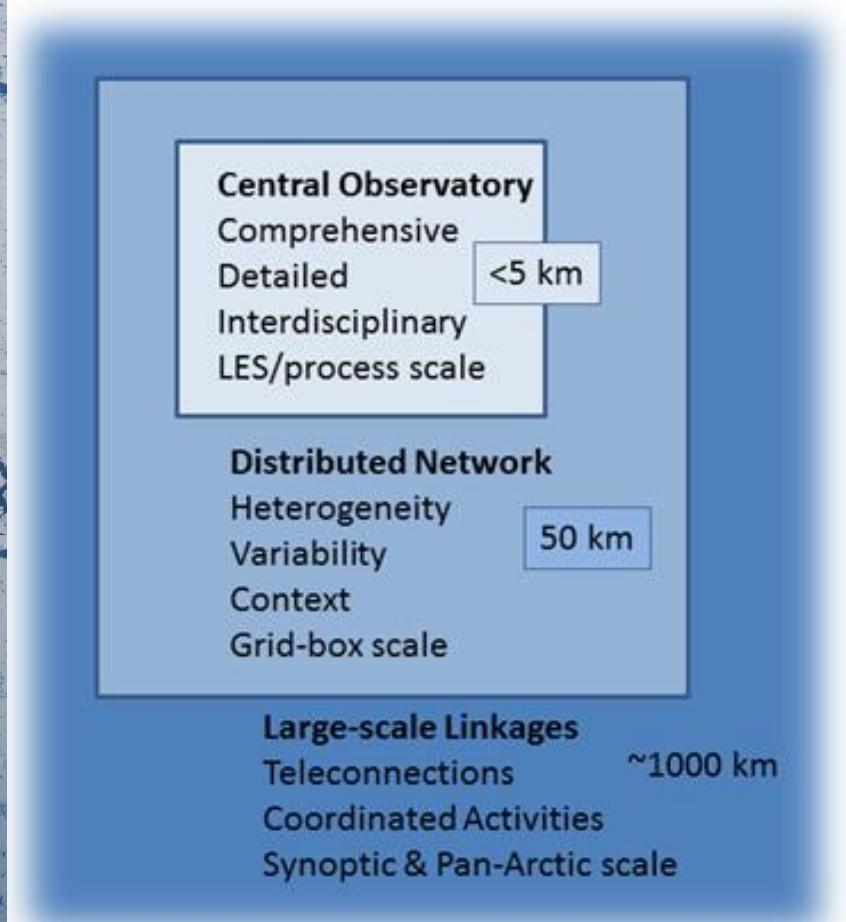
# Questions

- How to compare?
- What to compare?
- Where to compare?
- Parameterizations?

# MOSAIC

The Multidisciplinary drifting Observatory for the Study of Arctic Climate

[www.mosaic-expedition.org](http://www.mosaic-expedition.org)





Thank you for your attention!

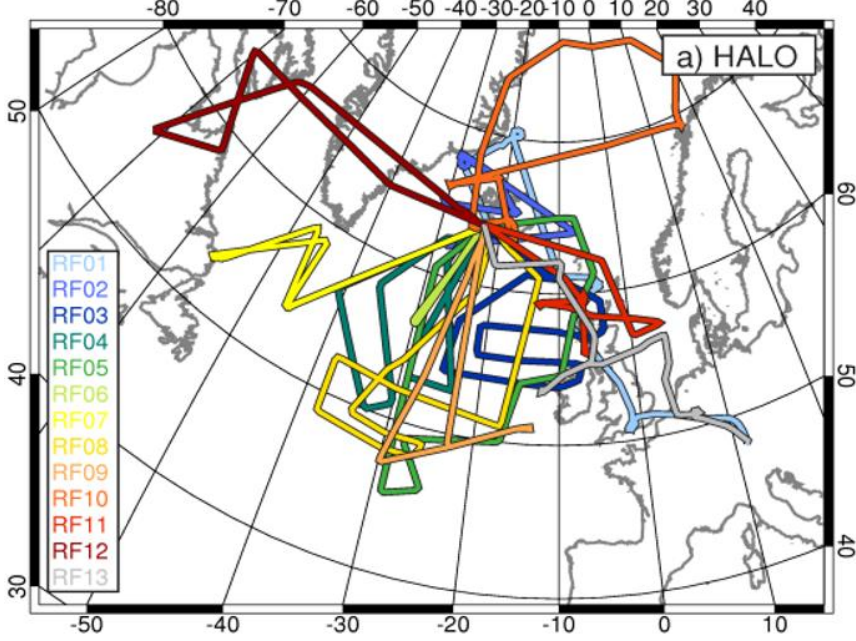
# A typical day during ACLOUD





# High Altitude and Long Range Research Aircraft—HALO

- **NAWDEX: North Atlantic Waveguide and Downstream Impact Experiment**



- Keflavik, Iceland, 14 September – 25 October 2016, ~ 100 h duration

# Remote Sensing Instrumentation on HALO

**BAHAMAS**  
in-situ basic meteorology



**WALES**

- Differential Absorption and High Spectral Resolution Lidar

**HAMP**

- Microwave radiometer
- Cloud radar

**SMART**

- passive cloud spectrometer

**specMACS**

- Imaging cloud spectrometer

**Dropsonde**

# Spectral (Solar) Radiation Measurements

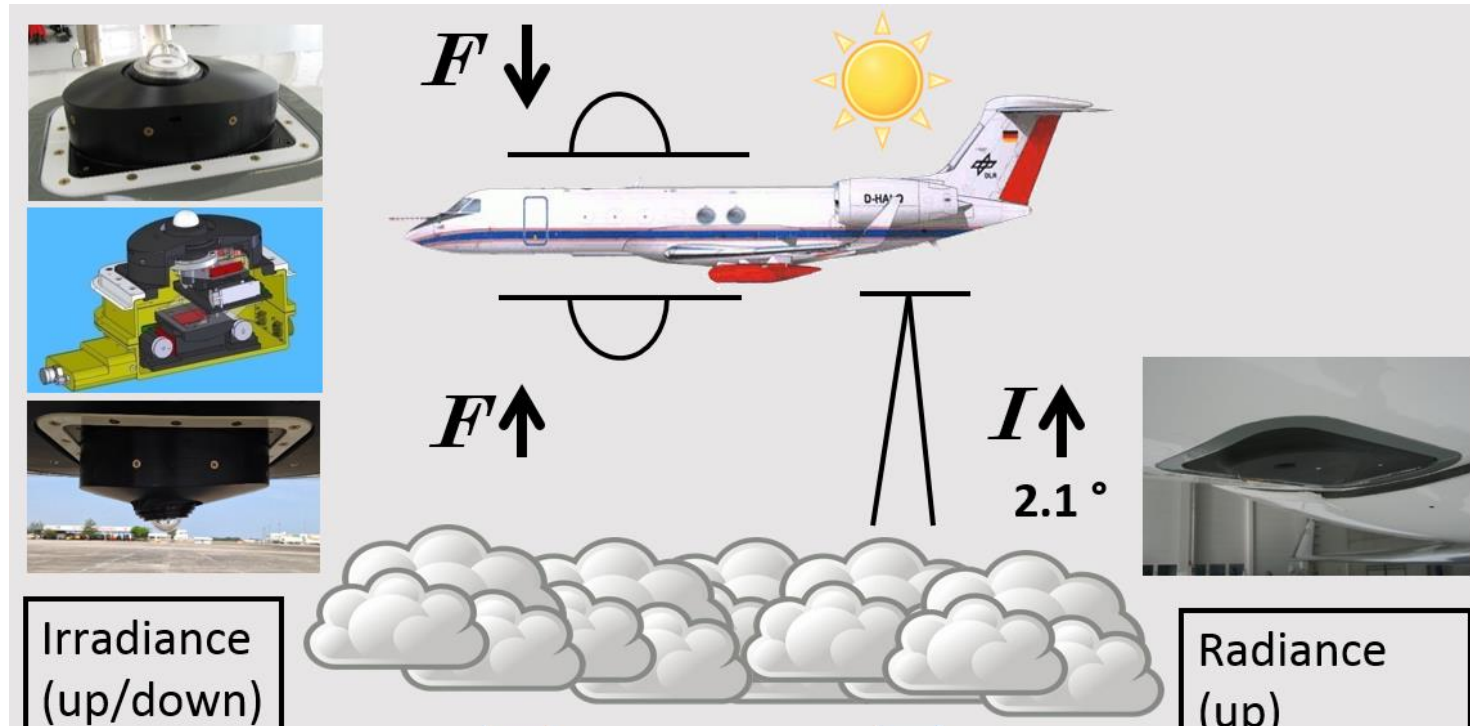


## **SMART**

- passive cloud spectrometer

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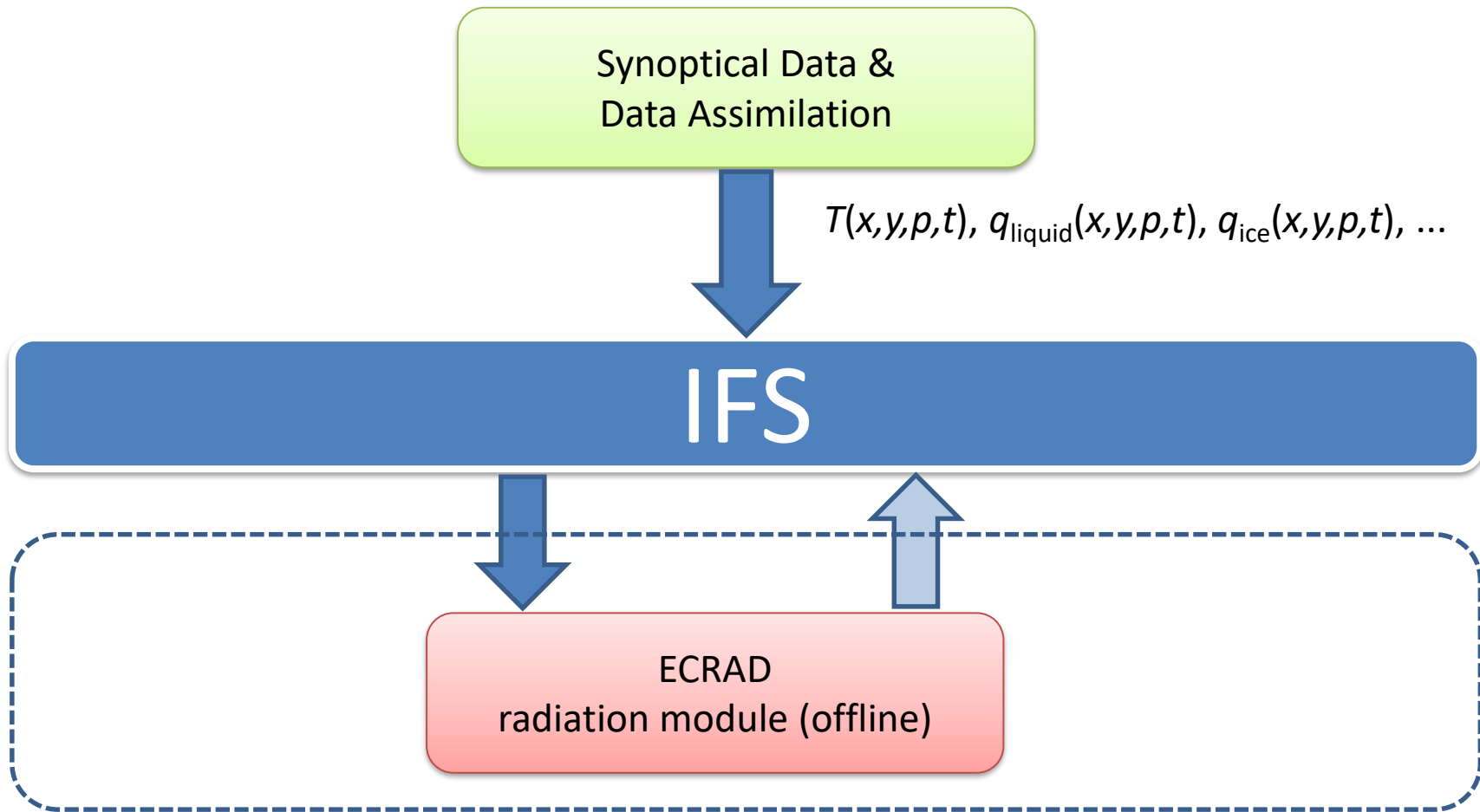
## Spectral Modular Airborne Radiation measurement system (SMART)



- Zeiss grating spectrometers
- Temporal resolution: 2 – 5 Hz
- Spatial resolution:  $2^\circ$  FOV 120m x 110 m (@ 220 m s<sup>-1</sup> and at 10,000 m)
- Wavelength range: 300 – 2200 nm
- Spectral resolution: 2 – 16 nm FWHM

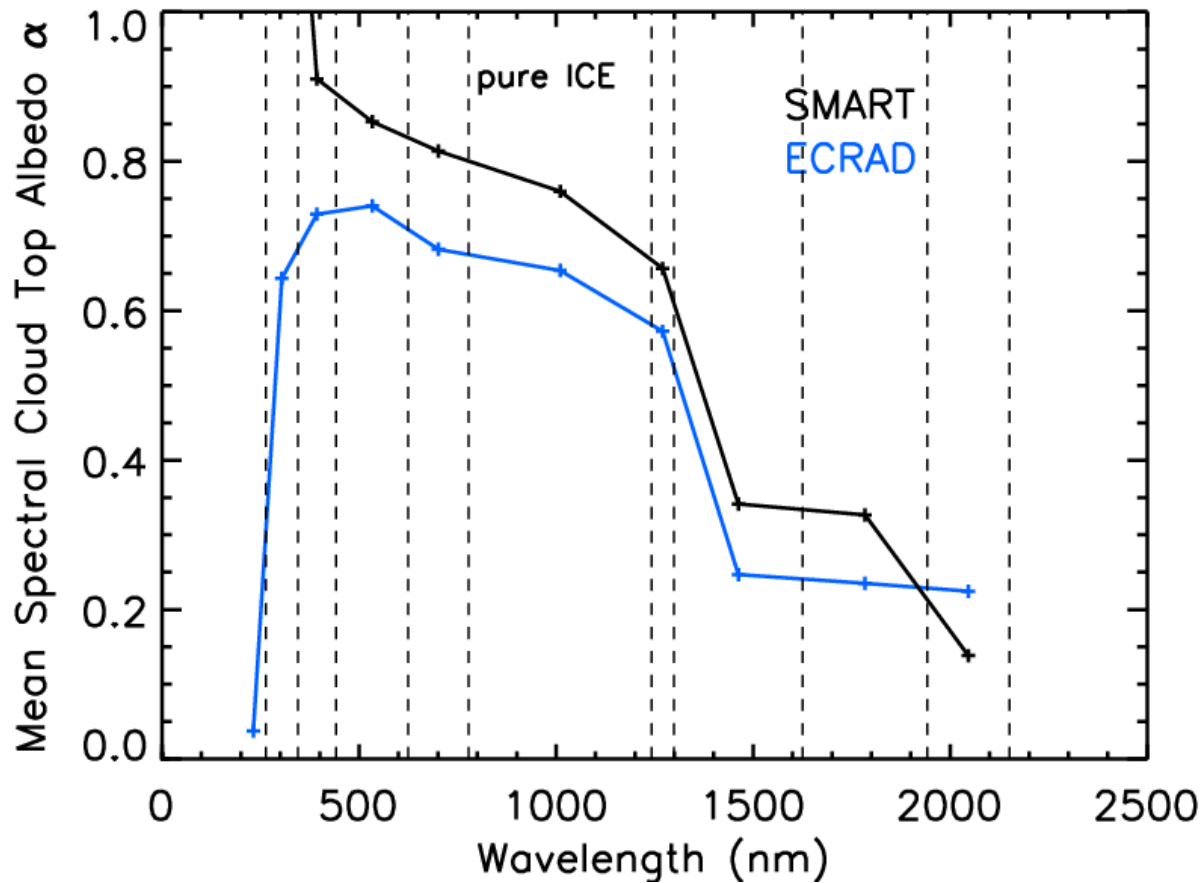


# Model Setup





# Mean Spectral Cloud Top Albedo



# Spectral (Solar) Cloud Radiative Forcing

