

Inter-Calibration of Meteosat Imagers and IASI

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Global Space-based Inter-Calibration System

- What is GSICS?
 - Global Space-based Inter-Calibration System
 - An effort to produce consistent, well-calibrated data from the international constellation of operational satellites
- What are the basic strategies of GSICS?
 - Make pre-launch instrument tests traceable to SI standards
 - Improve on-orbit calibration by integrated cal/val system
 - Initially by LEO-GEO Inter-satellite/inter-sensor calibration
- This will allow us to:
 - Better specify future instruments
 - Improve consistency between instruments' observations
 - Produce less bias in Level 1 and 2 products
 - Retrospectively re-calibrate archive data using this



Use of IASI as a Reference

Meteosat Geostationary Imager

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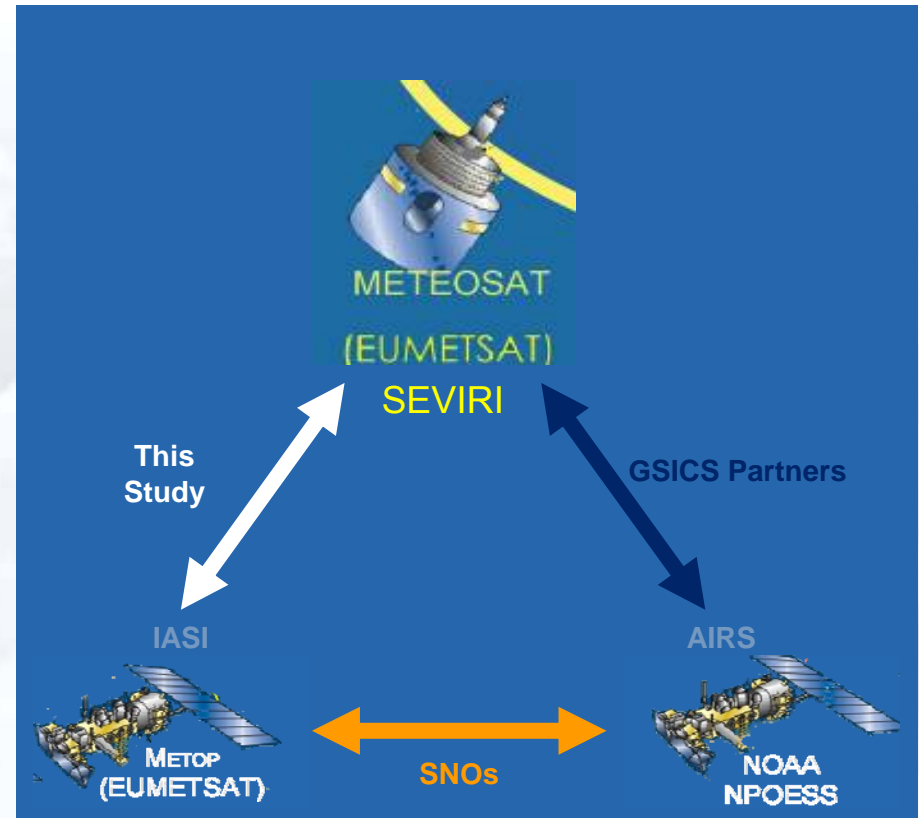
Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer, IASI, on Metop polar-orbiting satellite

Benefits of IASI as reference:

- Well-characterised
- Carefully controlled calibration
- Built-in linearity controls
- No spectral gaps
- On same platform as HIRS/4

Can cross-check with AIRS:

- **Simultaneous Nadir Overpasses: SNOs**
- Inter-calibrating Meteosat-AIRS





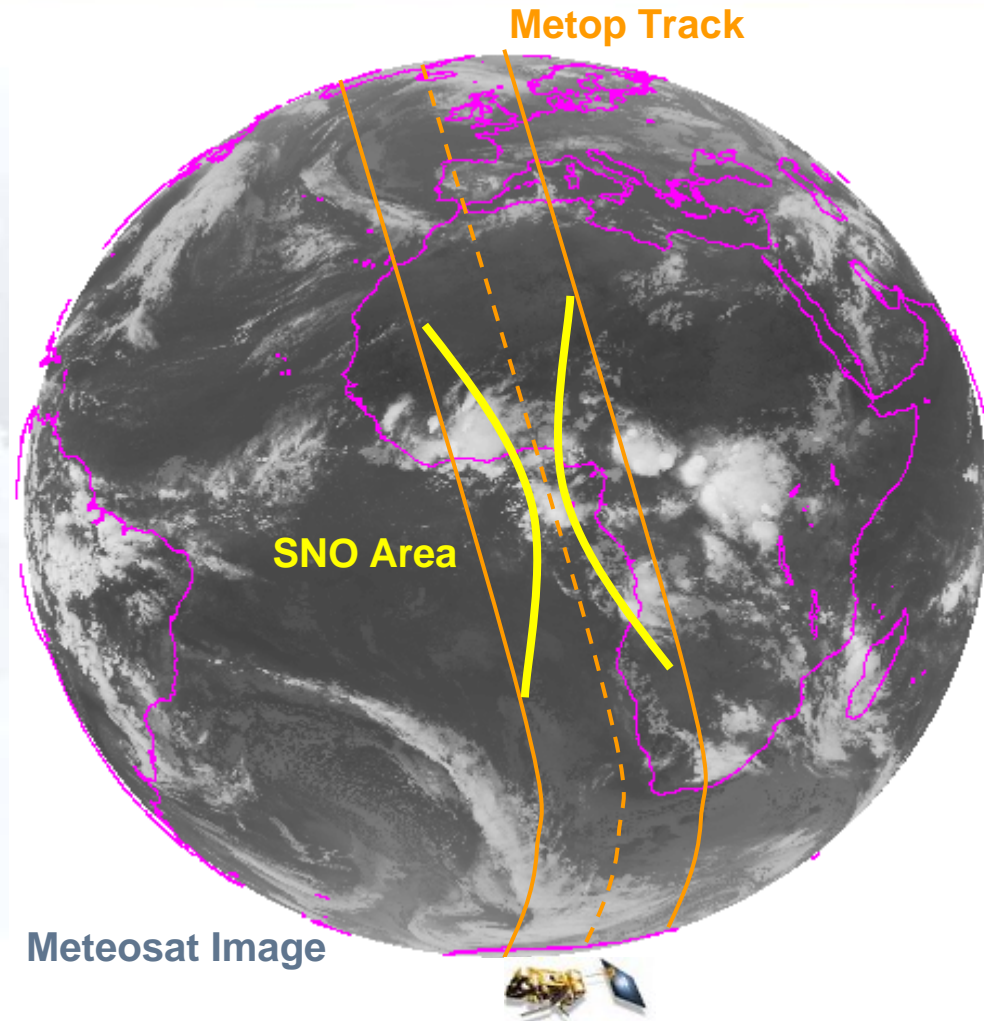
Collocation Criteria

Simultaneous near-Nadir Overpasses

of Meteosat and Metop

- Only night-time data
- $\Delta Lat < 30^\circ$, $\Delta Lon < 30^\circ$ of SSP
- $\Delta t < 15$ mins (=scan period)
- $|\theta| < 15^\circ$ (Incidence angle)
- $\Delta\theta < 2^\circ$ (Incidence angle diff.)
- 5x5 MSG pixels / IASI iFoV

Restricts collocations to Tropics
~1 orbit/day
~200 good collocations

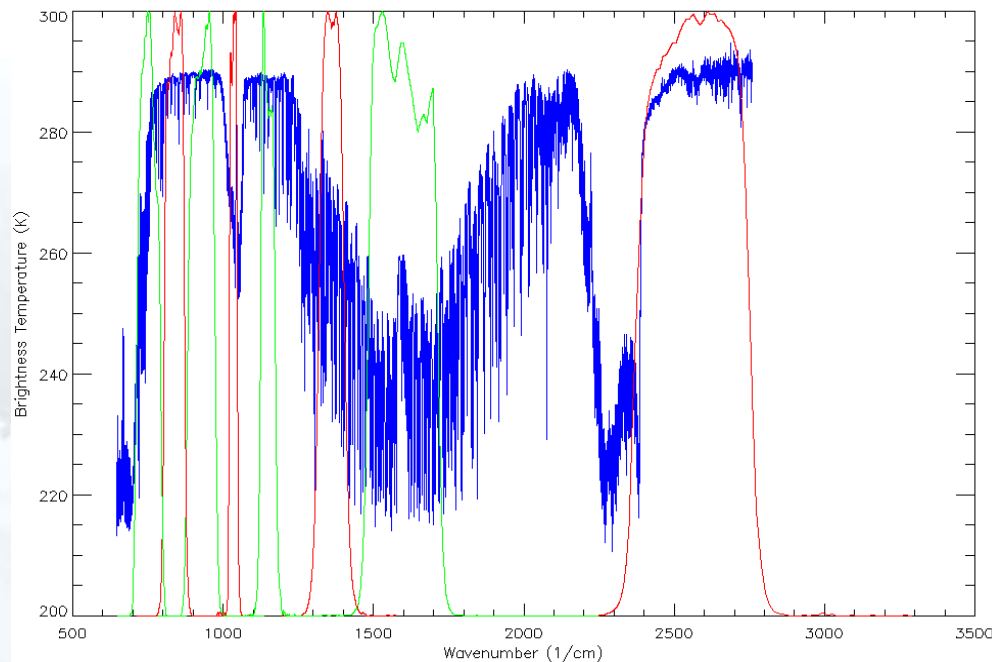




Data Transformations (Spectral and Spatial)

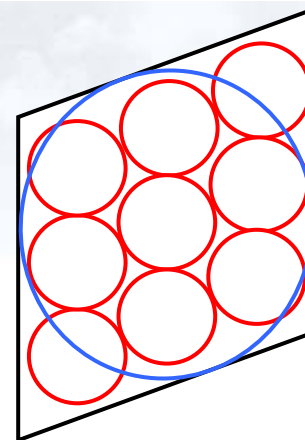
Spectral Convolution:

- Convolve **IASI Radiance Spectra** with **Meteosat Spectral Response Functions**
- to synthesise radiance Meteosat channels (IASI *almost* covers Meteosat's channels')



Spatial Averaging:

- Average Meteosat pixels in each IASI iFoV
- Estimate uncertainty
 - due to spatial variability
 - as Standard Deviation of Meteosat pixels
- Use in weighted regression



IASI iFoV~12km

5x5 MSG pixels

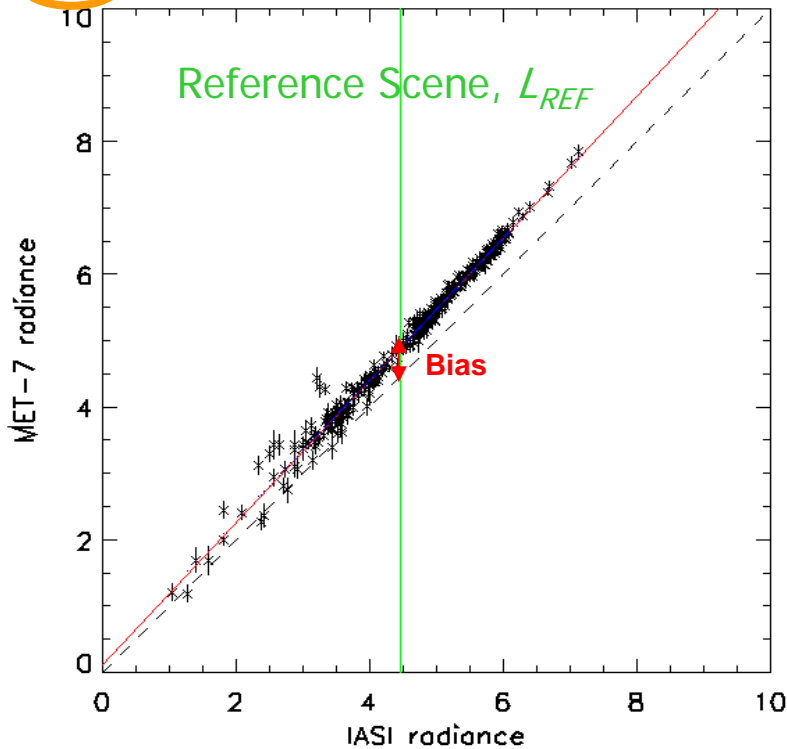
3x3 MFG pixels



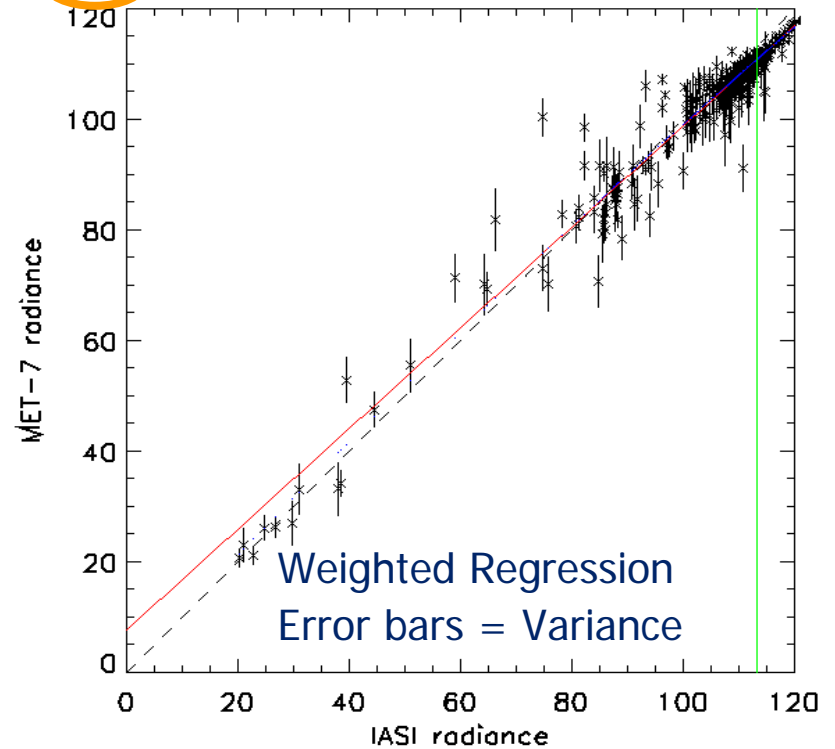
Regression

Offset $\neq 0$ Slope $\neq 1$ \Rightarrow Difference is scene-dependent

wv-1: $a = 0.125 \pm 0.017$ $b = 1.0703 \pm 0.0033$



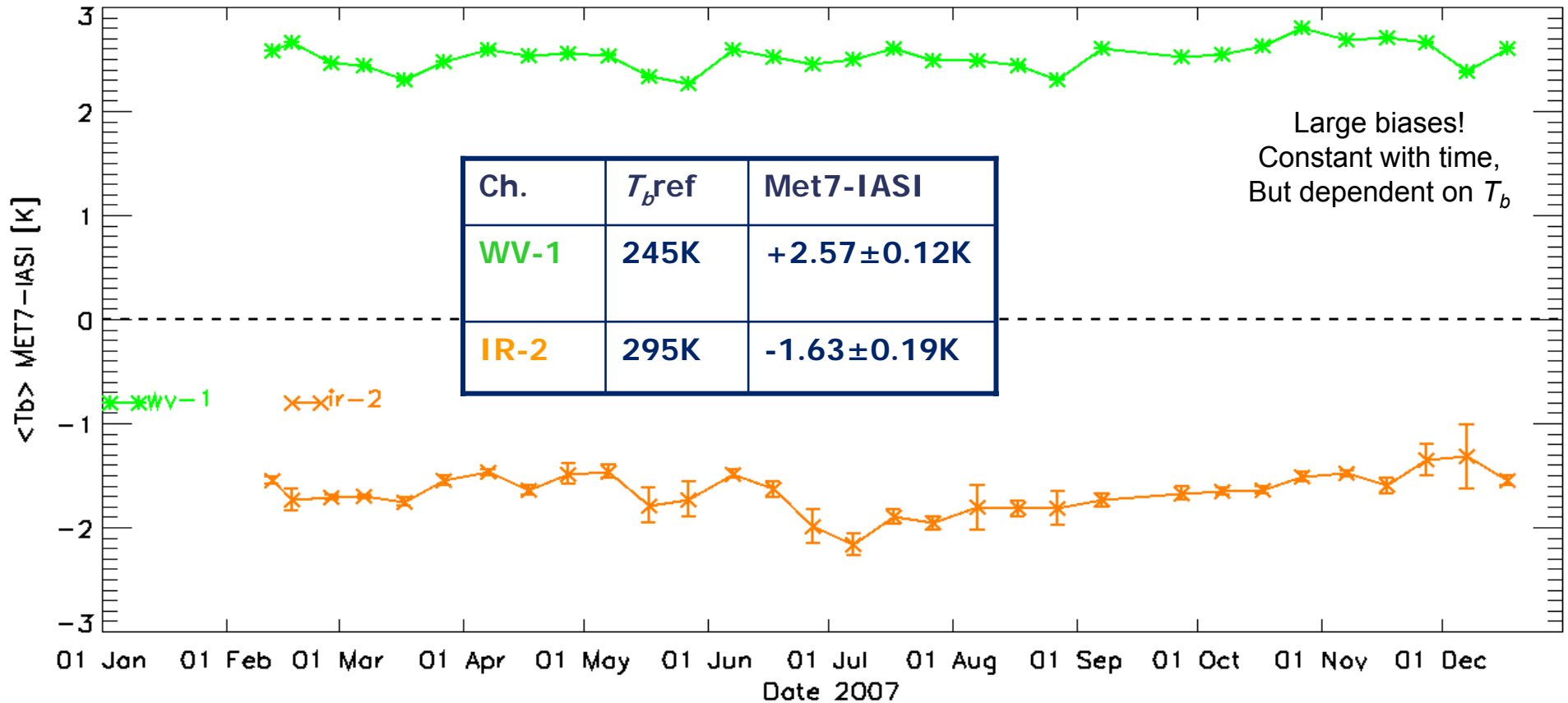
ir-2: $a = 7.682 \pm 0.584$ $b = 0.9108 \pm 0.0052$



Reference Scene
defined as modal value
(typical clear sky radiance)



MVIRI on Meteosat-7 – IASI on Metop-A

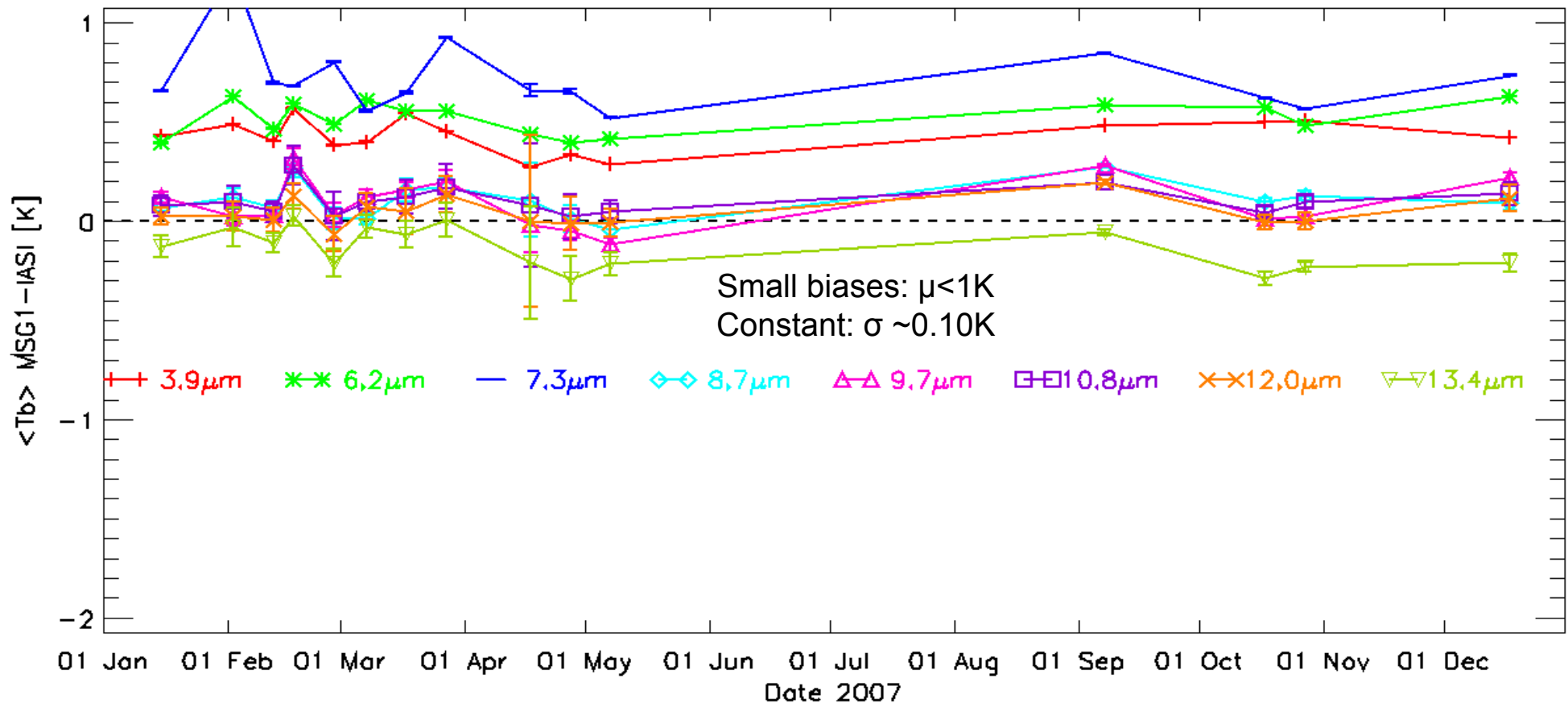


Time series of **brightness temperature differences** between Met7-IASI for typical clear-sky radiances: Each Met7 infrared channel is shown in a different color, with different symbols, following the legend. Error bars represent statistical uncertainty on each mean bias (may be very small).



SEVIRI on Meteosat-8 – IASI on Metop-A

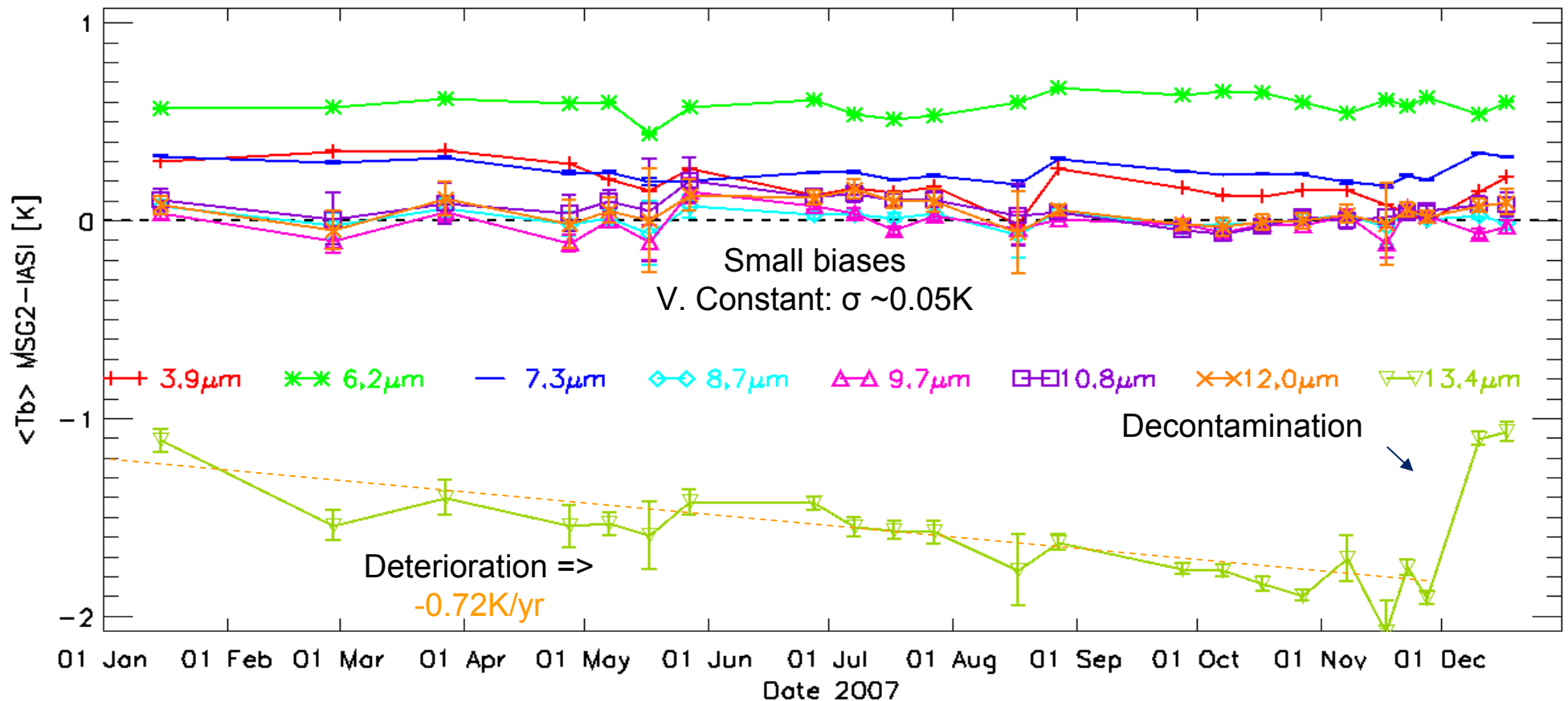
n.b. Different scale!



Time series of brightness temperature differences between MSG1-IASI for typical clear-sky radiances. Each MSG infrared channel is shown in a different color, with different symbols, following the legend. Error bars represent statistical uncertainty on each mean bias (may be very small).



SEVIRI on Meteosat-9 – IASI on Metop-A



Time series of brightness temperature differences between MSG2-IASI for typical clear-sky radiances. Each MSG infrared channel is shown in a different color, with different symbols, following the legend. Error bars represent statistical uncertainty on each mean bias (may be very small).



Summary of Meteosat-IASI during 2007

(using original IMPF radiance definition)

| Channel (μm) | | 3.9 | 6.2 | 7.3 | 8.7 | 9.7 | 10.8 | 12.0 | 13.4 |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------|--------------|------|--------------|
| Ref Scene T_{bref} (K) | | 290 | 240 | 260 | 290 | 270 | 290 | 290 | 270 |
| Meteosat-7 | Mean Bias (K) | | +2.57 | | | | -1.63 | | |
| | Std. Dev. (K) | | 0.12 | | | | 0.19 | | |
| Meteosat-8 | Mean Bias (K) | 0.46 | 0.56 | 0.77 | 0.22 | 0.19 | 0.16 | 0.13 | -0.13 |
| | Std. Dev. (K) | 0.09 | 0.08 | 0.18 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.16 |
| Meteosat-9 | Mean Bias (K) | 0.17 | 0.61 | 0.25 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.05 | -1.63 |
| | Std. Dev. (K) | 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.26 |

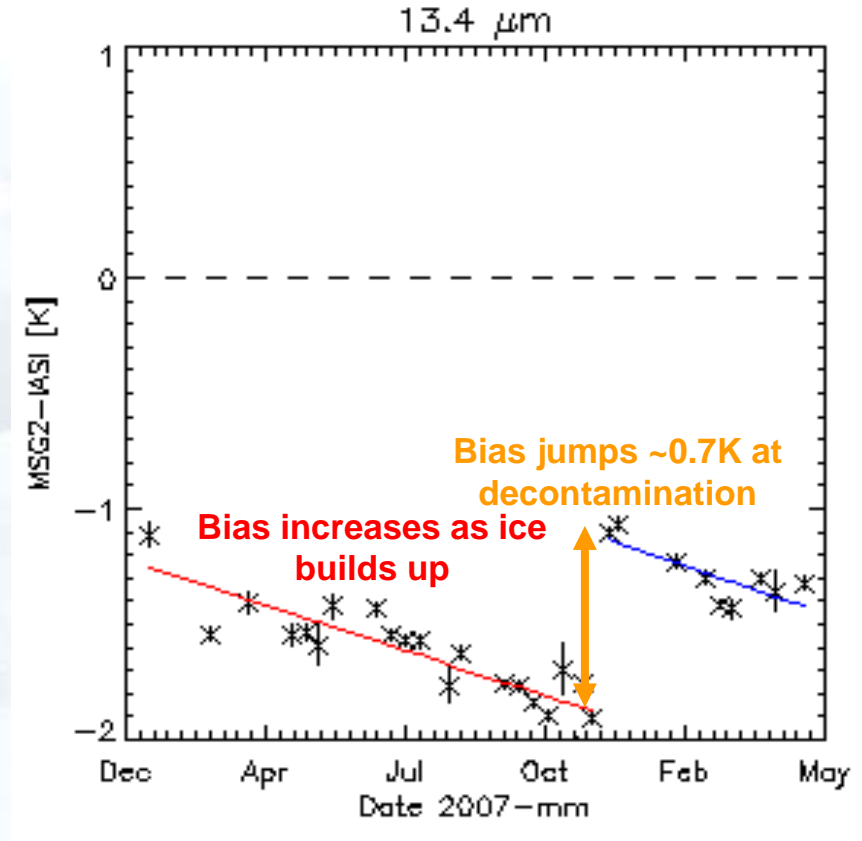
Brightness Temperatures, T_b , for Reference Scenes and Mean Difference between Meteosat and IASI during 2007.

Statistically significant (at >95% level) biases highlighted in **bold**.



Ice Contamination of Meteosat IR13.4

- Inter-calibration of MSG-IASI showed bias in 13.4 μm channel, degraded by -0.7K/yr
- Recovers after decontamination
- Theory: Due to Ice on optics

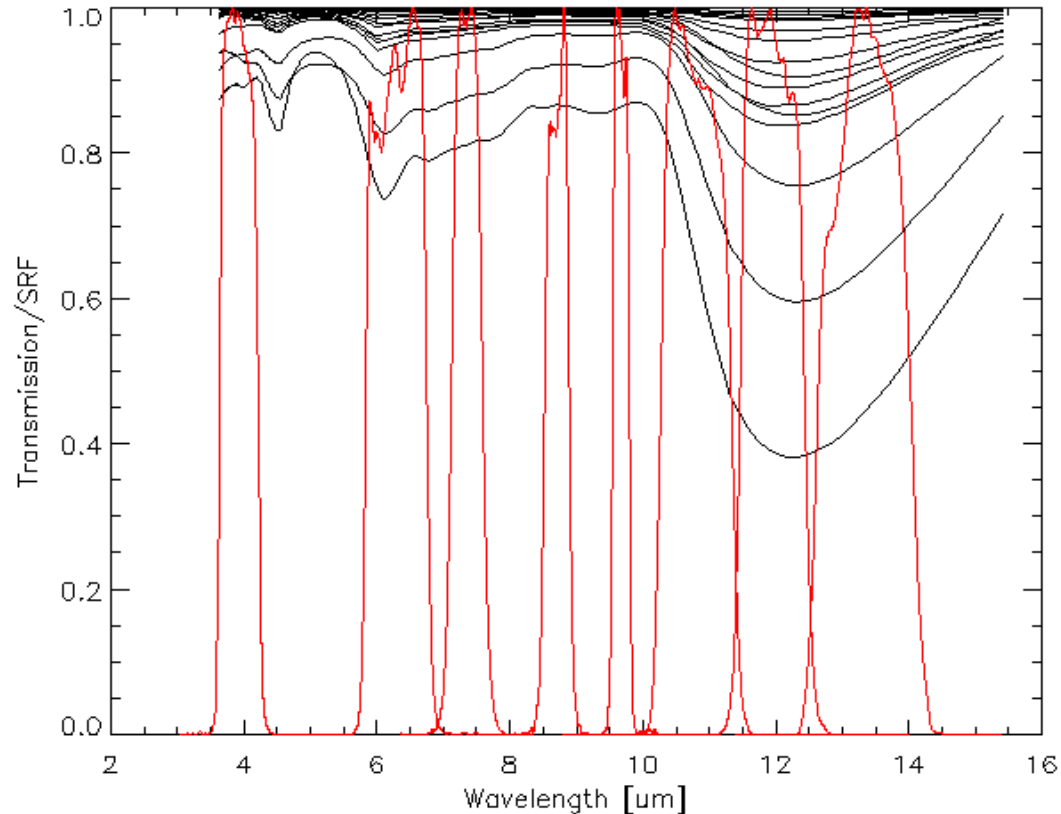


Time series of relative bias (Meteosat-9 – IASI)
Lines show fits to data **before** and **after** decontamination



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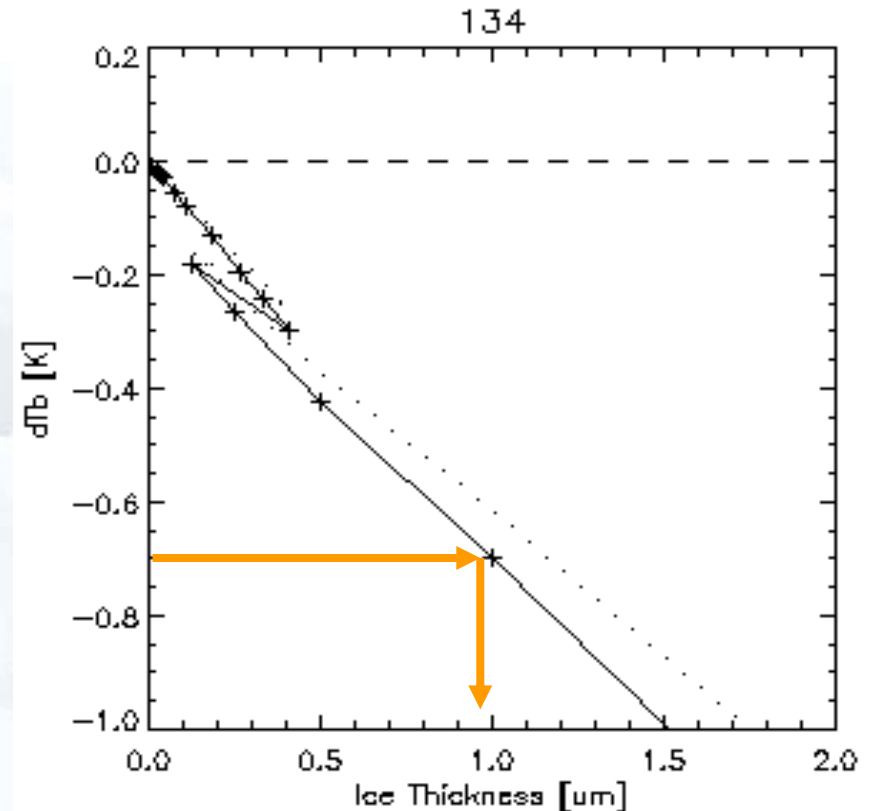


Transmission spectra of ice layers of different thicknesses (black): 12 - 2000 nm layers.
Spectral Response Functions of Meteosat-9 (red).



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- Introduces bias when not accounted for in calibration
- Can be modelled by $\sim 1\mu$ m ice
- Consistent with observed gain changes
 - Potential for operational correction



Brightness temperatures Bias modelled by modifying Meteosat-9's SRF by the absorption of different thicknesses of ice.



Conclusions

- Inter-calibration of Meteosat IR imager channels with IASI
 - Can be used to monitor relative biases
 - With a repeatability of ~ 0.05 K
 - Detect day-to-day changes, or monthly trends
 - Develop and validate correction algorithms
 - Near real time and archive applications
- Example of application of GSICS
 - Global Space-based Inter-Calibration System



Thank you

Questions and Answers