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INTRODUCTION

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EOPP SEMINAR ON RADIATION STUDIES

Introduction

- 1. Scope**
- 2. Background on the ERM**

1. SCOPE

- The seminar will present the main results of the recent studies related to the Earth Explorer Earth Radiation mission (ERM)
- It is not possible to present all the Radiation related studies. Activities not presented are:
 - Scientific mission definition studies financed by the General Studies Programme to define the long term future (ERB, ERM)
 - Mission concepts, e.g. the polar and geostationary operational meteorological systems (*MetOp* and MSG) are essential for the ERM and have been studied under EOPP; or the GETEM a GERB based Earth Radiation Budget mission concept also studied under EOPP. They are not presented.
 - Instruments: utilisation of SCARAB on ENVISAT and *MetOp* (at the end not provided), MIMR, GERB, ... are not presented
 - Technology and support: only recent activities
- The activities presented are mainly EOPP financed but also ERM related activities financed by the General Studies Programme (GSP) and the Technology Research and Development Programme (TRP and GSTP) are included.

Agenda

I. THE UNDERLYING SCIENCE

- Introduction (*ESA*)
- Synergy study (*University Quebec*)
- Cloud and Radiation “CLARA” analysis (*KIWI*)

Coffee break

- Cloud radar critical requirements (*GKSS*)
- Cloud radar critical requirements (*Univ Reading*)

II. SYSTEM

- Introduction (*ESA*)
- System concepts (*MMS-F*)

Lunch break

III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT

A. Cloud Profiling Radar (CPR) concepts and technologies

- Introduction (*ESA*)
- CPR concept study (*DSS*)
- CPR concept study (*Alcatel*)

Coffee break

B. Lidar concepts and technologies

- Introduction (*ESA*)
- Laser head critical technology (*Alenia Difesa*)
- Filter, detection chain critical technology (*MMS-F*)

C. Passive sensors concepts and technologies

- Introduction (*ESA*)
- Cloud imager concepts (*Officine Galileo*)
- Broadband radiometer concepts (*REOSC*)

IV. The plans

- Earth Explorer Earth Radiation Mission, phase A activity plan (*ESA*)

2. BACKGROUND ON THE ERM

- The Earth Explorer Earth Radiation Mission was part of an initial set of nine candidates proposed for the first round of Earth Explorer core missions:

- The Earth Radiation Mission (ERM)***

- The Gravity field and steady-state Ocean Circulation (GOCE)*
- The Land-Surface Processes and Interactions Mission (LSPIM)*
- The Atmospheric Dynamics Mission (ADM)*
- The Atmospheric Chemistry Mission*
- The Magnetometry Mission*
- The Precipitation Mission*
- The Atmospheric Profiling Mission*
- The Topography Mission*

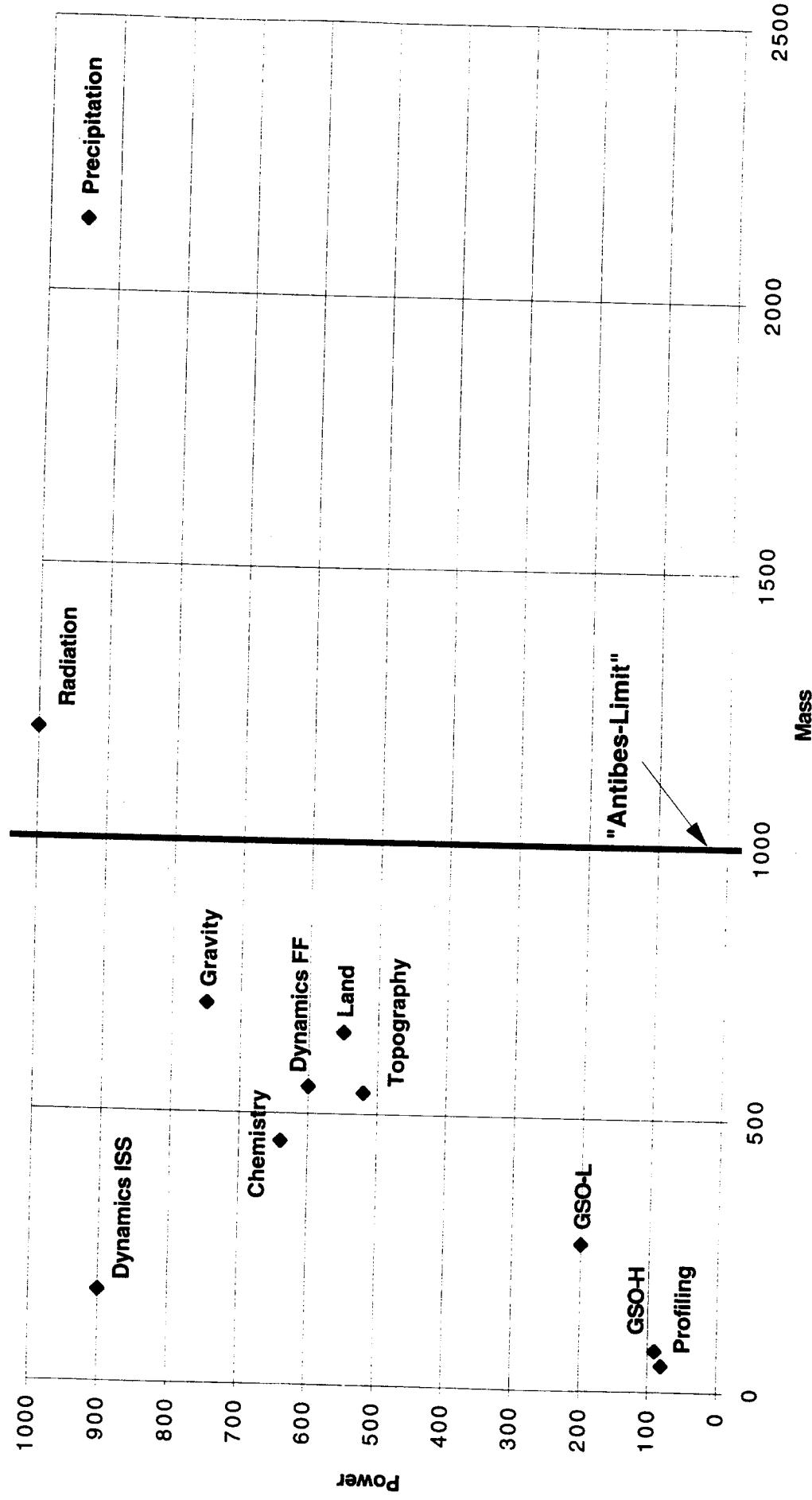
- In the first selection attempt, Earth Observation User Consultation Meeting 1994, the ERM was included in a shortlist with GOCE and LSPIM for study at phase A level. The process had to be stopped.

- Second attempt, assessment (1995-1996), Earth Explorer User Consultation Meeting 1996, review by ESAC and peer review groups. Recommendation for 4 candidates: ERM, GOCE, LSPIM and ADM for study at phase A level approved by PB/EO. ... But start of phase A delayed because of slow subscription to EOPP

- ITT for phase A study finally released in November 1997. Proposals February 1998. Evaluation March 1998. Contract proposal approved by IPC 30 June 1998. Kick-off, 3 July 1998.

2. BACKGROUND ON THE ERM

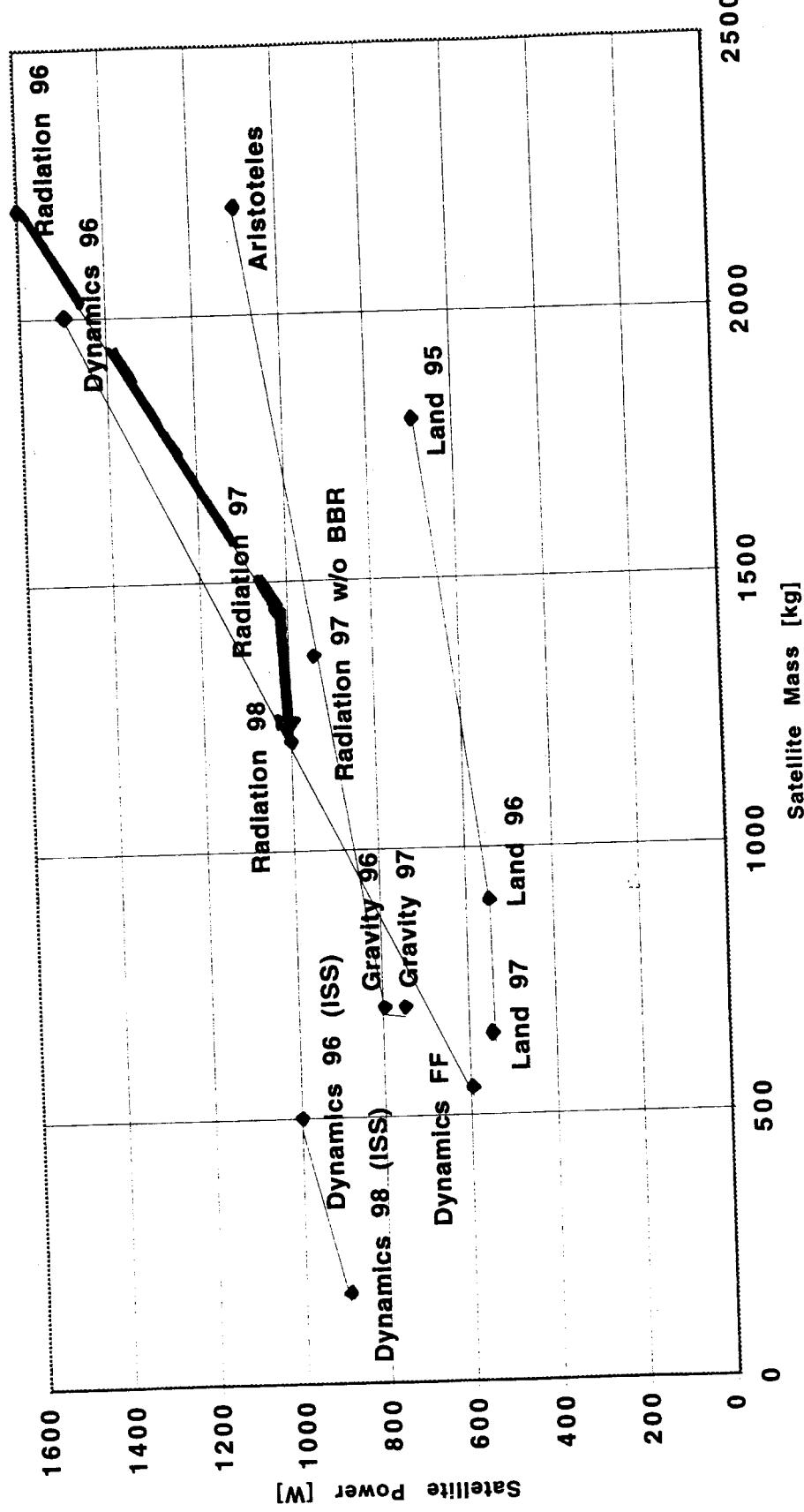
Earth Explorers



2. BACKGROUND ON THE ERM

The 3 year period since first selection of ERM until the actual start of the phase A has not been lost but used to refine the ERM mission / system concept with the resources available. Other candidate Earth Explorer missions have also been refined.

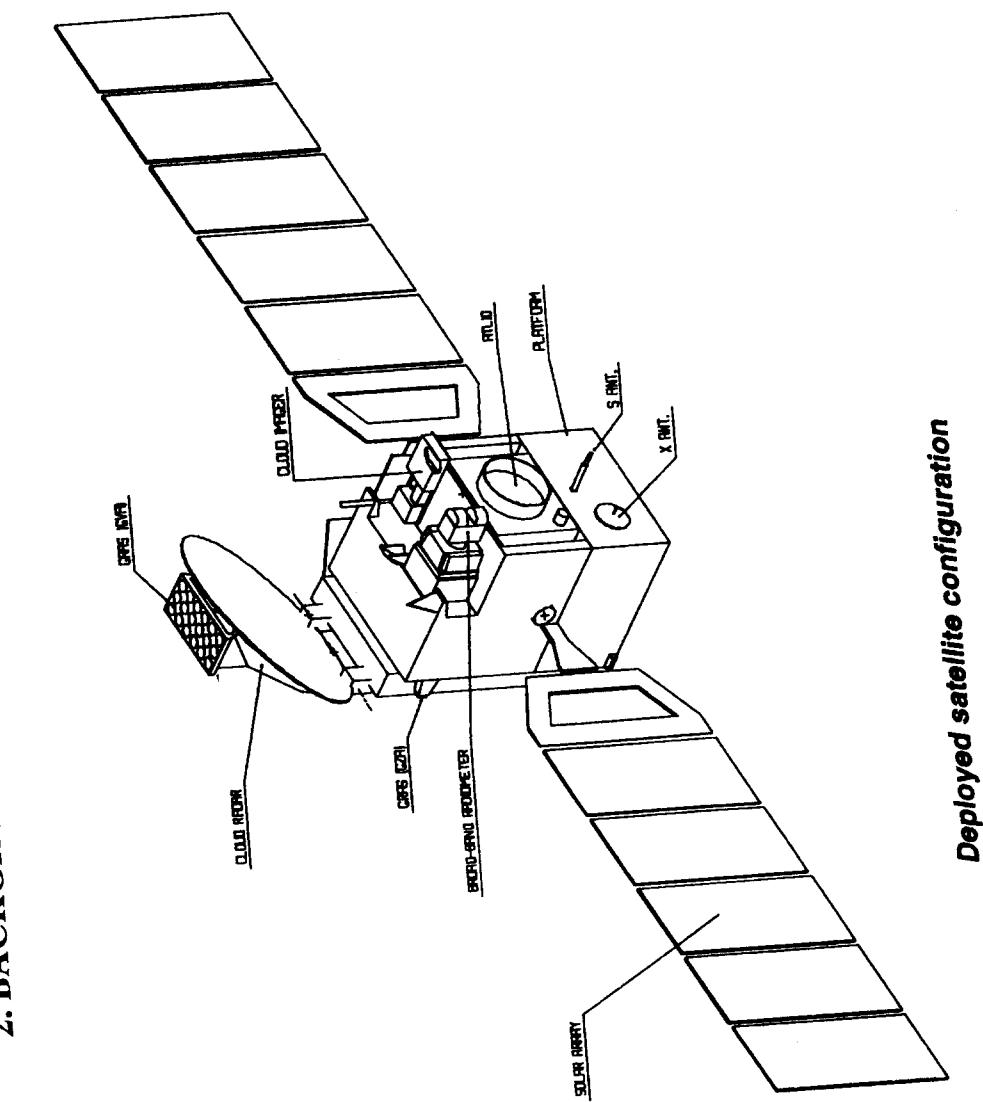
Earth Explorers



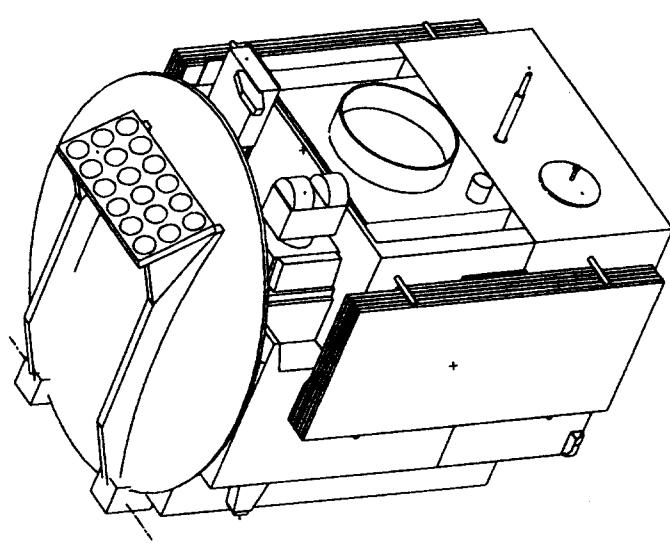
2. BACKGROUND ON THE ERM

- The ERM is one of the candidates to become the first Earth Explorer core missions.
- The ERM mission elements are:
 - A single satellite in sun-synchronous orbit, 02:00 - 14:00 equator crossing times, at around 450 km altitude, carrying:
 - Backscatter Lidar (ATLID)
 - Cloud Profiling Radar (CPR)
 - Cloud Imager (CIm)
 - Broadband Radiometer (BBR)
 - The ground segment, including three main functional elements
 - Command and Data Acquisition Element
 - Mission and Satellite Control Element
 - Processing and Archiving Element

2. BACKGROUND ON THE ERM

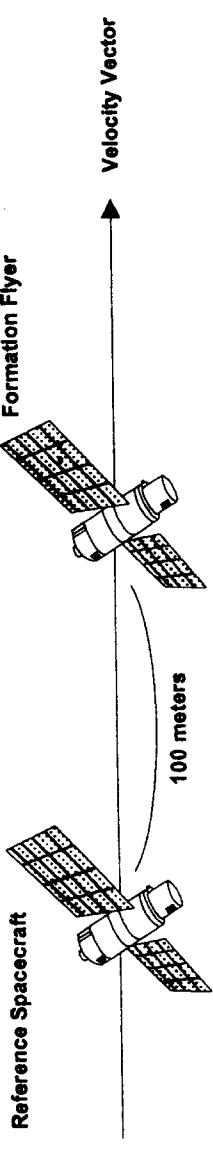


Deployed satellite configuration

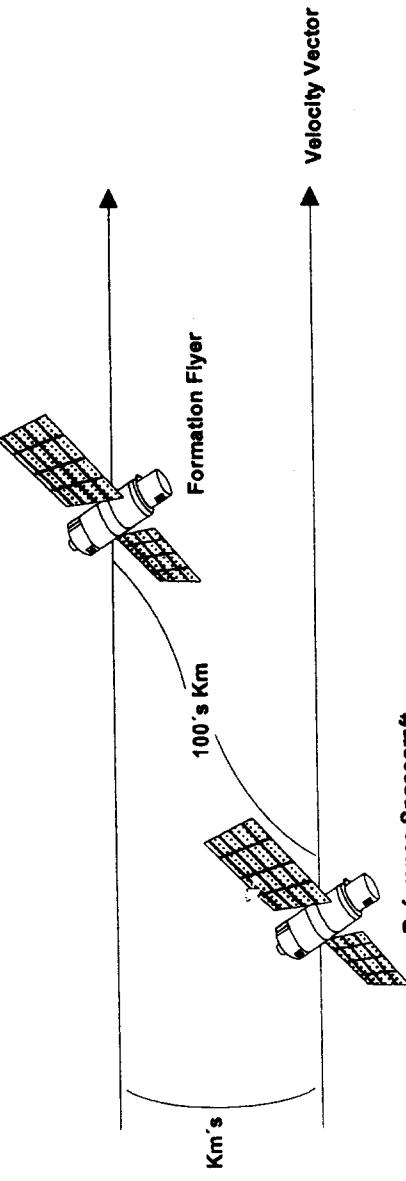


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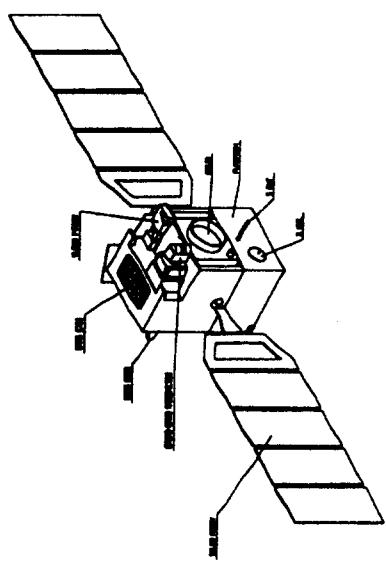
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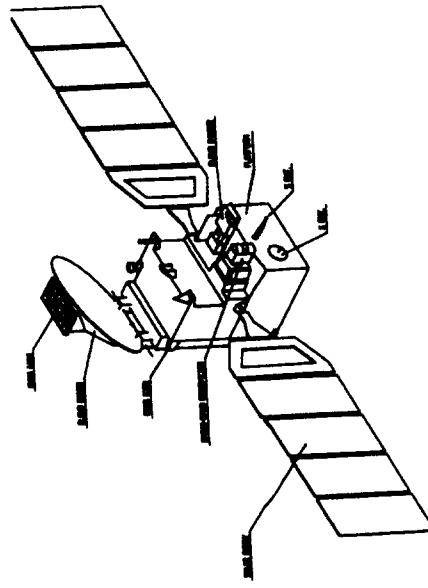
Close Formation (Constant Along-Track Separation)



Ideal Formation (Constant Across and Along-Track Separation)



The ERM without
CPR



The ERM without
ATLID

I. THE UNDERLYING SCIENCE

INTRODUCTION

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The Earth Radiation Mission

The Earth Radiation Mission

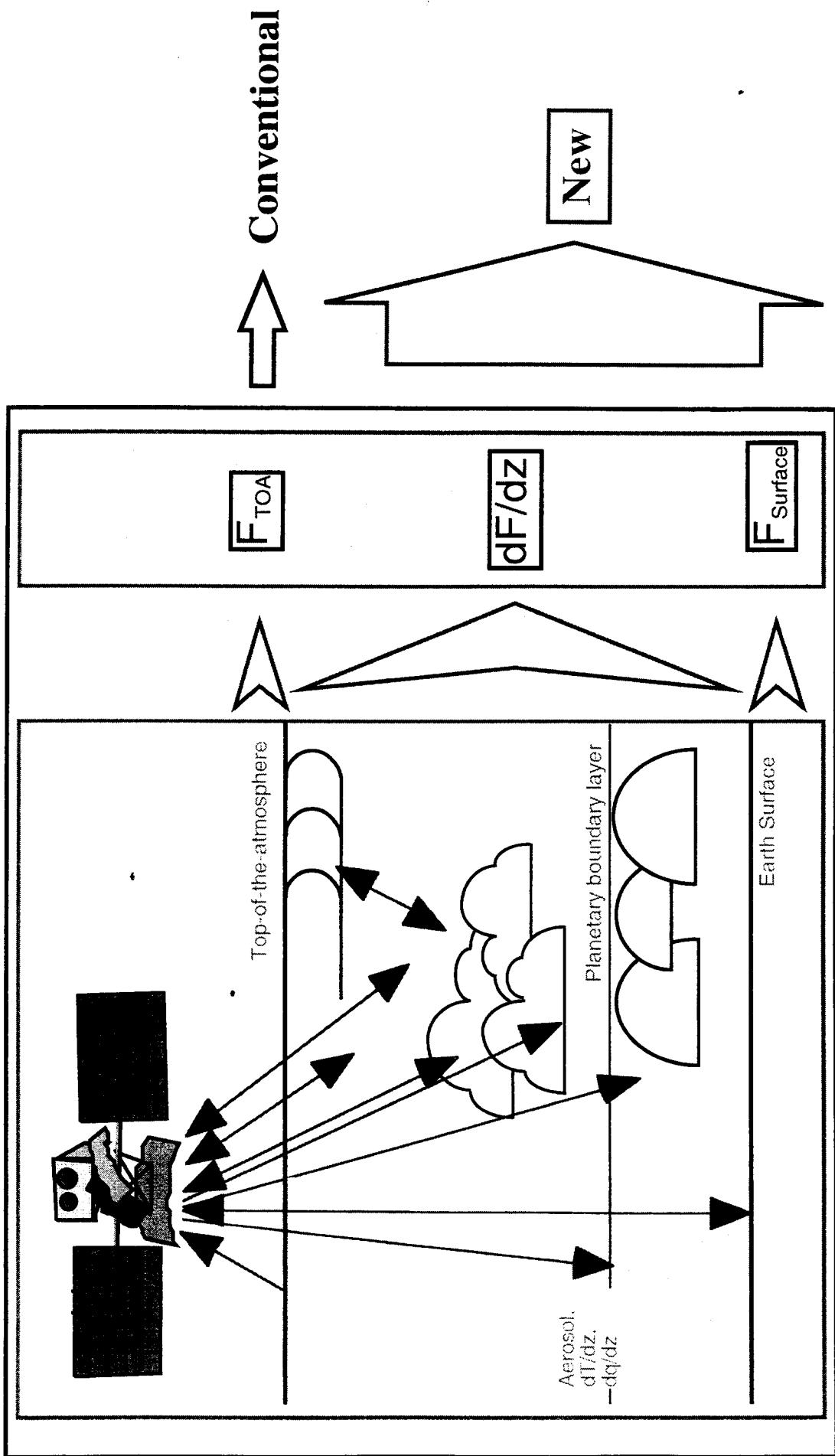
Mission Objectives

The scientific objective of the Earth Radiation Mission (ERM) is, for the first time, to provide a multi-year set of **cloud profiling and aerosol observations** essential to progress in understanding the transport of energy and water between the Earth's surface and the top of the atmosphere. The ERM components will:

- measure vertical structure of cloud and aerosol fields and their horizontal distribution over all climate zones;
- measure the radiation budget components at the top of the atmosphere simultaneously.

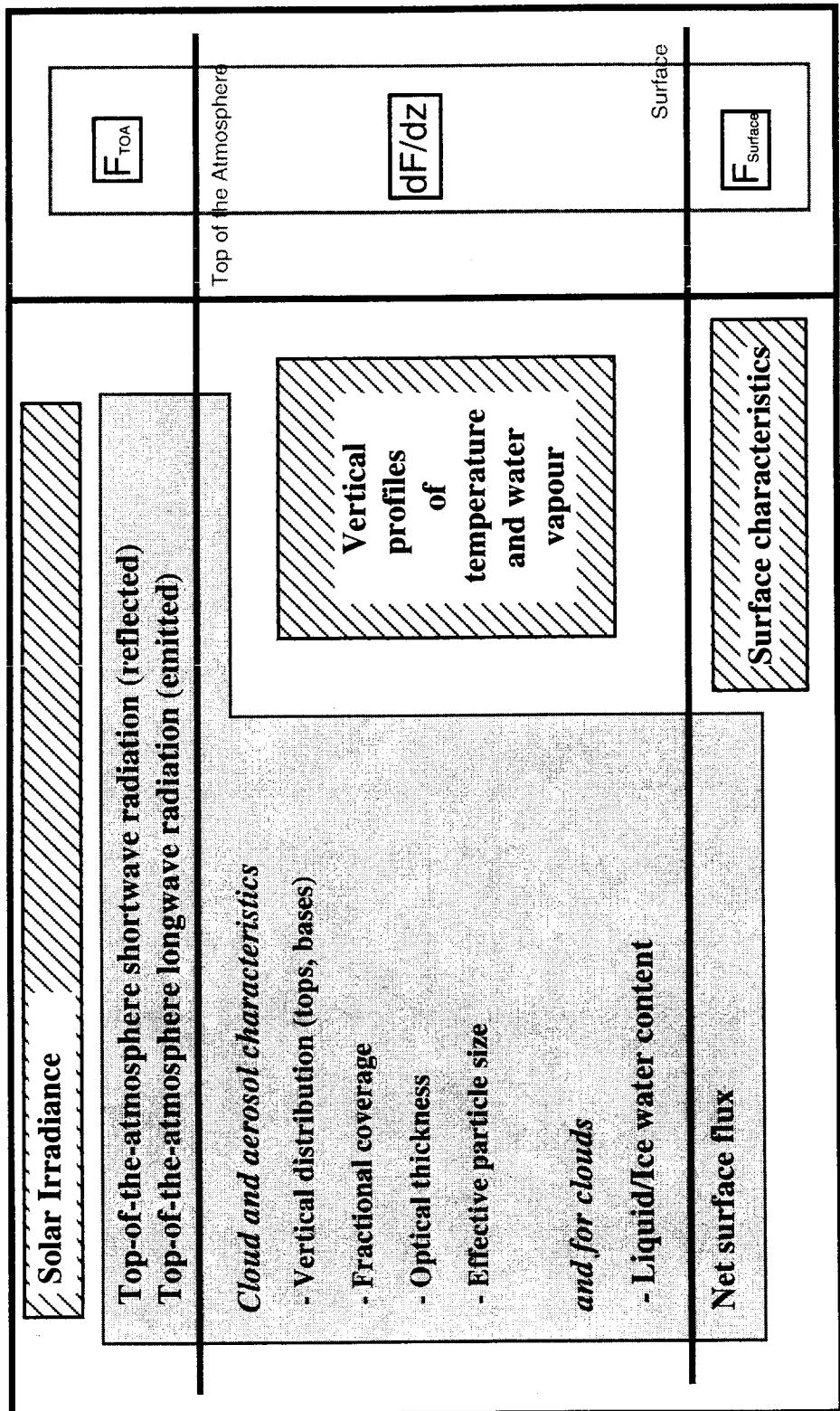
From these observations the **vertical structure and horizontal distribution of radiation budget components**, cloud water and cloud ice content, aerosol optical thickness, and other geophysical parameters will be derived, using the ERM measurements in synergy with other **simultaneous data**. Such observations would provide additional constraints not provided by other means helping in the improvement of atmospheric numerical models.

Scientific Objectives of the Earth Radiation Mission



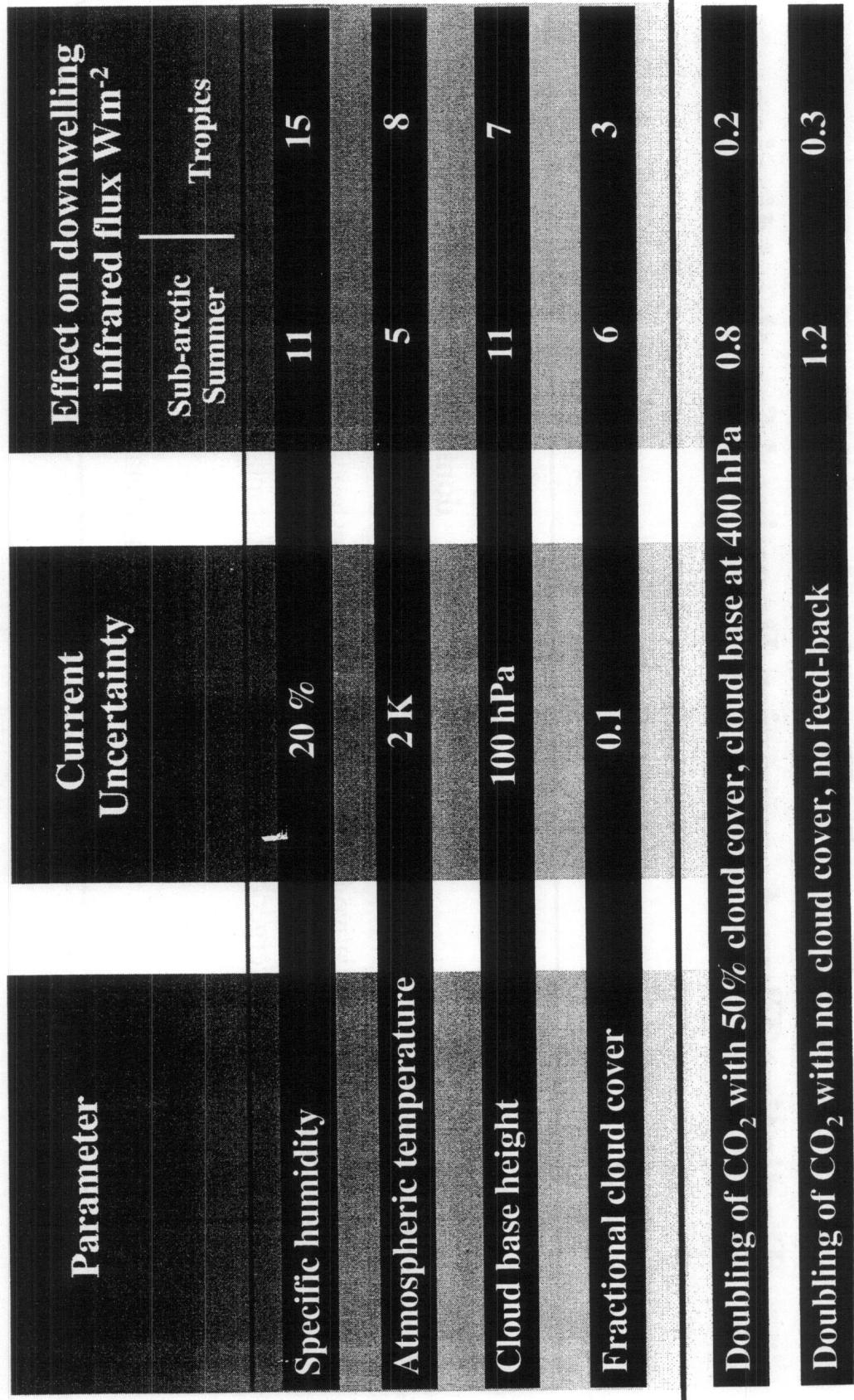
The Earth Radiation Mission

- Products -



= not provided by this (satellite) mission but necessary for the scientific mission

Why do we need the Earth Radiation Mission?



(after Chahine, 1992)

The Earth Radiation Mission

Radiative Flux Accuracies Required for the Mission

Measurement objective	Spatial coverage	Time domain	Desired Accuracy
Top of the atmosphere net radiative fluxes	50 x 50 km ²	instantaneous	< 10 Wm ⁻² (TBC)
Net radiative flux gradients/divergences within the atmosphere	50 x 50 km ²	instantaneous	< 10 Wm ⁻² km ⁻¹ (TBC)
Net Earth surface fluxes	50 x 50 km ²	instantaneous	< 25 Wm ⁻² (TBC)

can be measured directly

The Elements of the Earth Radiation Mission

Core set

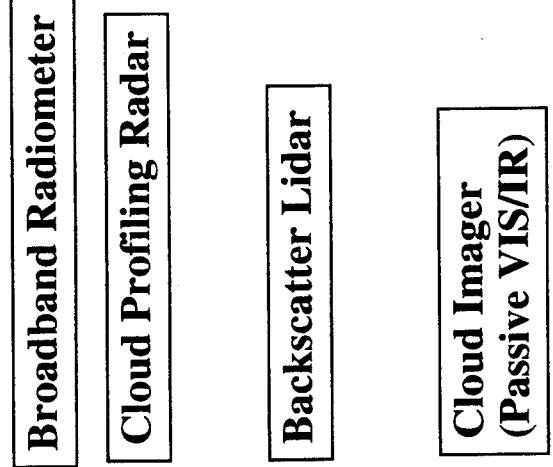
- Top of the Atmosphere short wave (reflected)
- Top of the Atmosphere long wave (emitted)

Cloud and aerosol characteristics:

- Vertical distribution (tops, bases)
- Horizontal distribution
- Optical thickness(es)

and for clouds only:

- Liquid water content
- Ice water content



Surface fluxes

Core set

Ancillary set

Surface characteristics
(land, ocean, clouds)

Vertical profiles of
temperature / humidity

Solar irradiance

ERM Satellite(s)

from other sources

- Passive Visible/
Infrared/Microwave Imagers
- Passive Infrared/Microwave
Sounders
- NWP
- Solar irradiance monitor

Scientific Studies

Various activities have either been carried out or are **on-going**:

- Effects of multiple scattering on the accuracy of a backscatter lidar
- Backscatter lidar retrieval algorithms
- Critical requirements for a cloud profiling radar (two separate presentations will follow)
- Earth radiation database (database available on the internet (<http://www.dkrz.de>)
- Earth radiation budget mission scenario study
- Study and measurements of cloud characteristics at Chilbolton
- Synergy of passive and active instrumentation in view of the Earth Radiation Mission (on-going, separate presentations will follow)
- SW narrow-to-broadband conversion for ERB (on-going)
- Diurnal modeling for ERB (on-going)

Scientific Studies (cont.)

- Analysis of ERM synergy by use of the CLARA observations
(on-going, separate presentation will follow)
- Quantification of ERM synergy (on-going)
- Impact of ERM observations on NWPP (on-going)
- CLARE'98 (campaign - in preparation)

I. THE UNDERLYING SCIENCE

**SYPAI: THE SYNERGETIC PASSIVE AND
ACTIVE INSTRUMENT SIMULATOR**

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SYPAI : The SYnergetic Passive and Active Instrument Simulator

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Summary

Part 1 : Input data set

- Background
- RCModel description
- Scenario and input data set

Part 2 : SYPAI simulation tool

- Radiance calculation
- Instruments integration

Some Results

Working Context for the SYPAI Project

Introduction : the context

Objective of the project

Background

Global Climate Modeling

- Observation and General Circulation Models
- Present day climate simulations
- Climate change scenarios (2X CO₂)
- Radiation budget study : Li et al
- Cloud forcing and feedback : Cess et al

Regional Climate Modeling

- Rational & principles
- Dynamics (lab verification)
- Applications to regional scales : Clouds
- Multiple nesting strategy

Local Climate Modeling

- Rational & Principles
- Active diagnostics method
- Retrieval of cloud optical depth and transmittance

Application project

- MAM project
- NARCM Project
 - 1. Forest Fire project (Forestry Canada)
 - 2. Pollen transport project (CUM)
 - 3. Kuwait Oilfire project (NARCM)
 - 4. Atmosphere-Biosphere coupling project (Roulet et al, CRSNG)
 - 5. DMS emission and dispersion project (Levasseur, DOS)
 - 6. James Bay carbon emission project (Lucotte, Hydro-Québec)
 - 7. LITE mission project (Hoff, NASA/AES)

ESA : Satellite instrumental synergistic project

- Frame generation
- Available data
- Forward problem : instrument signal generation
- Backward problem : cloud data retrieval
- Study of instrument synergy.

Climate : A Process Oriented System

Prognostic equations of dynamics :

$$\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla \vec{V} + \omega \frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial p} - f \vec{k} \times \vec{V} + \nabla \Phi = D_{Mom}$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla T - \omega \left(\frac{\kappa T}{p} - \frac{\partial T}{\partial p} \right) = \frac{Q_{Rad}}{C_p} + \frac{Q_{Cond}}{C_p} + D_{Heat}$$

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla q + \frac{q}{t} = E - C + D_{Moist}$$

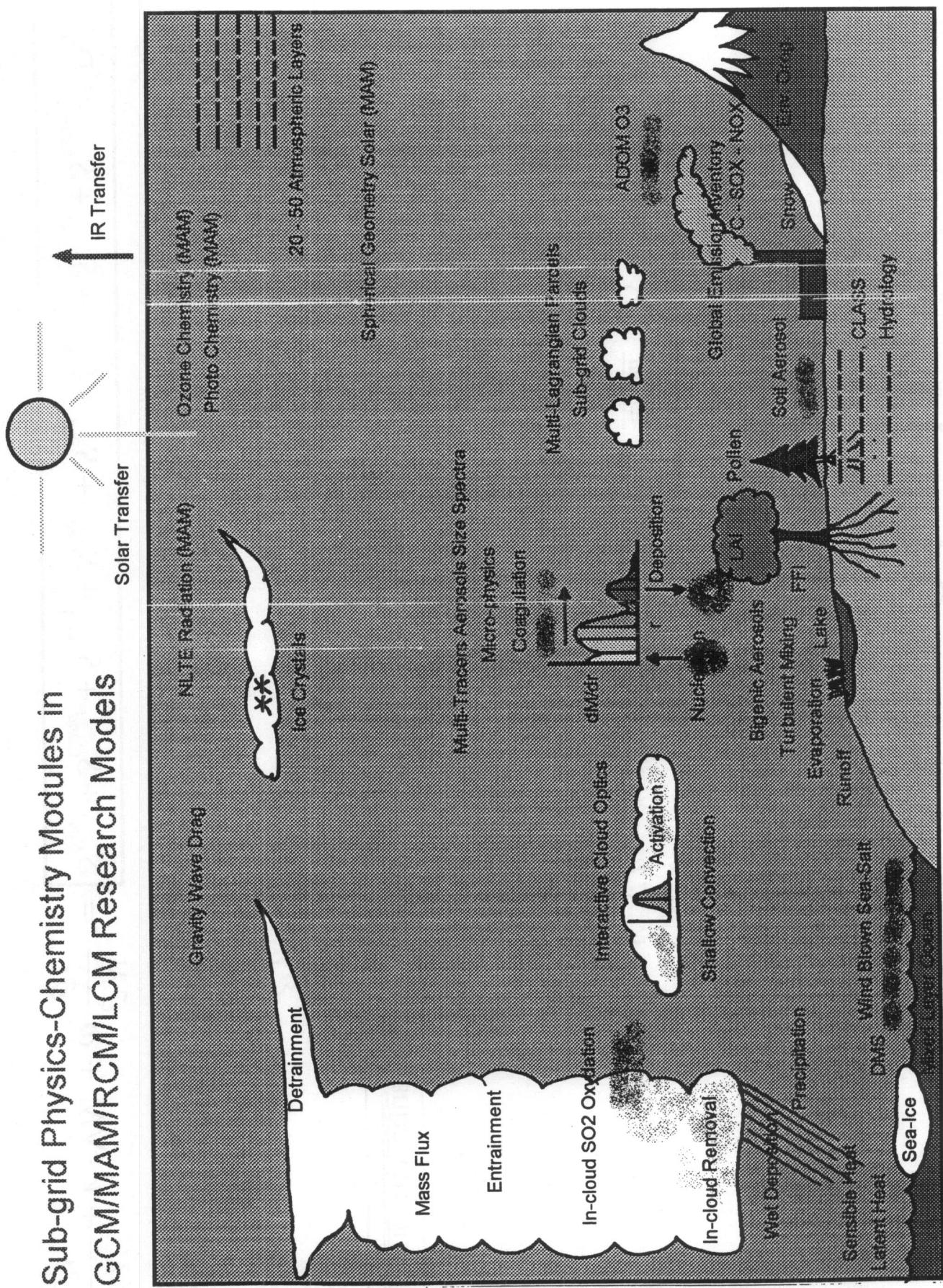
Diagnostics equations :

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial p} + \nabla \cdot V = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial p} + \frac{R T}{p} = 0$$

Tracer constituents, Aerosol microphysics :

$$\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial t} + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla N_i + \omega \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial p} = S_{Nucl} + S_{Cond} + S_{Coag} + S_{Chem} + S_{Sed} + S_{Activ} + S_{Evap} + S_{Emis} + D_{Tracer}$$

Sub-grid Physics-Chemistry Modules in GCM/MAM/RCM/LCM Research Models



A Hierarchy of Processes

Level	Category	Process
1	Basic	Convection, advection, condensation, diffusion, gravity wave drag, surface drag, mixing, solar radiation (scattering, absorption...) thermal radiation, convection, freezing, evaporation and similar
2	Mixed	Clouds by types (orographic clouds, large-scale cyclones, jet streams, deep convection systems, mesoscale systems, ITCZ and tropical storms, ocean stratocumulus, polar clouds, cirrus, Cb detrainment, continental fair weather Cu, etc.), all characterized by droplet size distribution, ice crystals shape and distribution, water content profiles, top/base temperature and heights... (Similar mixed process subdivision applies to vegetation, sea-ice, continental snow, soil hydrology... could be defined but they are not of direct concerns for the ERM.)
3	Integrated	Heating rates, TOA balance, surface energy budget

Background

- ERM : from a Radiation budget to a process oriented mission

The traditional Earth Radiation Budget Experiment is essential for the specification of climate and its trend. However, it is inadequate for the validation of climate models and prediction.

- Processes and understanding our climate system

The fundamental set of prognostic equations for the climate system has a finite number of basic physical processes that determine the behavior of the system.

- Process signature in cloud properties

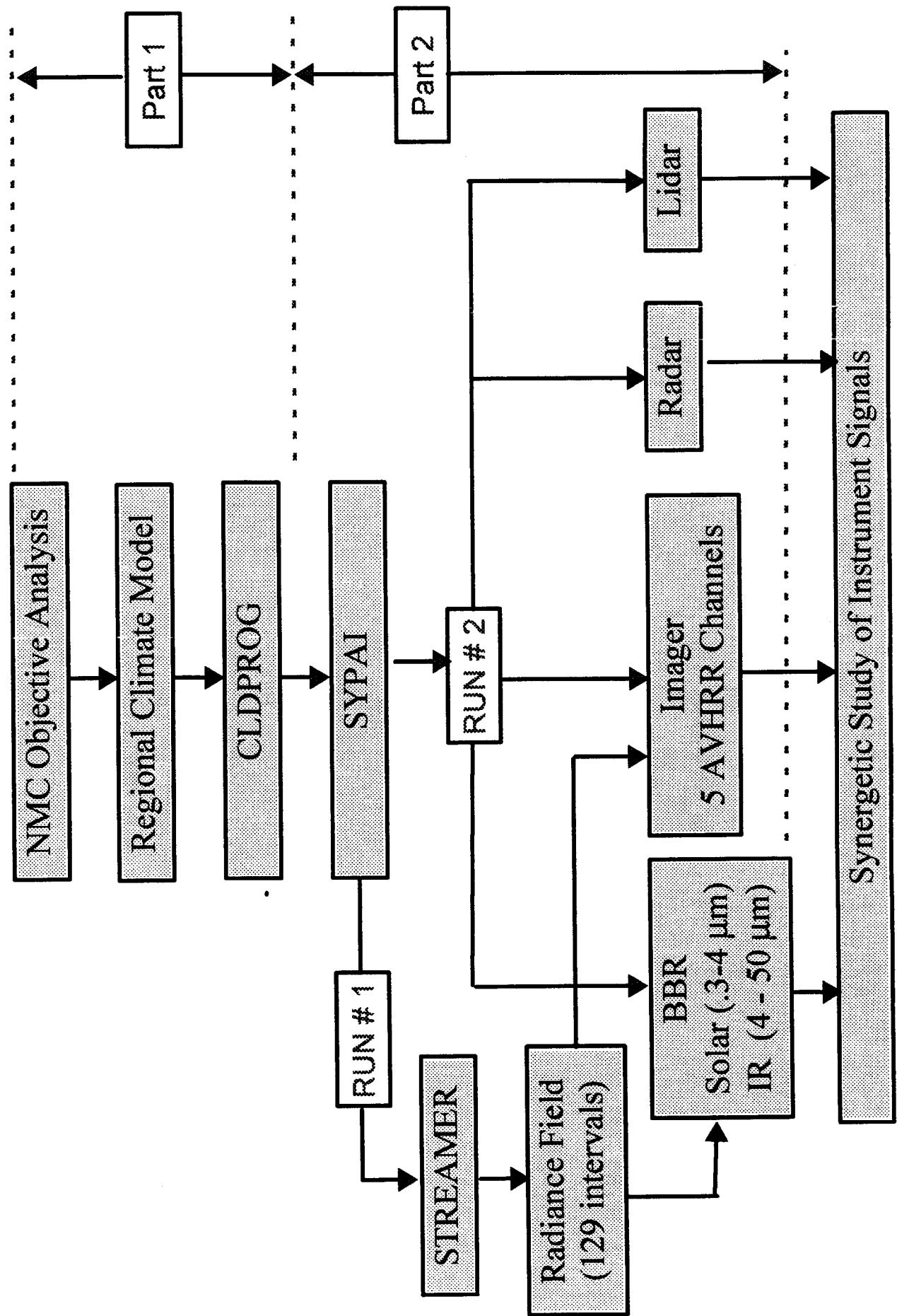
The cloud structure is strongly affected by most of these fundamental processes and, therefore, high quality monitoring of many small sample offers extremely valuable data for improvement of climate study and prediction.

- Confinement of climate models to validate fundamental physical processes.

By running climate model in forecast mode, they can be directly compared to ERM measurements for assessment of cloud related processes. The ERM data set can reused often for testing model improvements.

- Clouds are the most significant modulator of the Earth's energy budget. The proper account of cloud in observation and model can only be achieved by including a proper treatment of aerosol microphysics.

Generation of the Input Data Set



Summary

- GCM/RCG climate models are used to generate **3D grids** of field variables that are consistent with observed conditions.
- Simulations are compared to results from LITE mission.
- Usual atmospheric data are provided as input to **detailed radiative transfer calculation** and for diagnostics. They are :
 - ⇒ **Input to RT code** : grid profiles of temperature, height, water vapour, ozone, aerosols, clouds cover, liquid water content, optical depth, equivalent radius, water phase and surface conditions.
 - ⇒ **Output for diagnostics** : Solar/IR heating rates profiles, solar/IR flux profiles, TOA, surface energy balance and cloud forcing.
- RT code (DisORT) computes transmittance satellite-targets and radiance sun-target-satellite for selected band range for **each computational points** in plane parallel geometry.
- Radiance is integrated within the view angle or scan range.
- Instrument response functions are applied to produce synthetic measurements.
- Retrievals of cloud properties and radiation fluxes are inferred from standard algorithm.
- Comparisons are made with the RCM generated data.
 - « Instrument synergy study begins ».

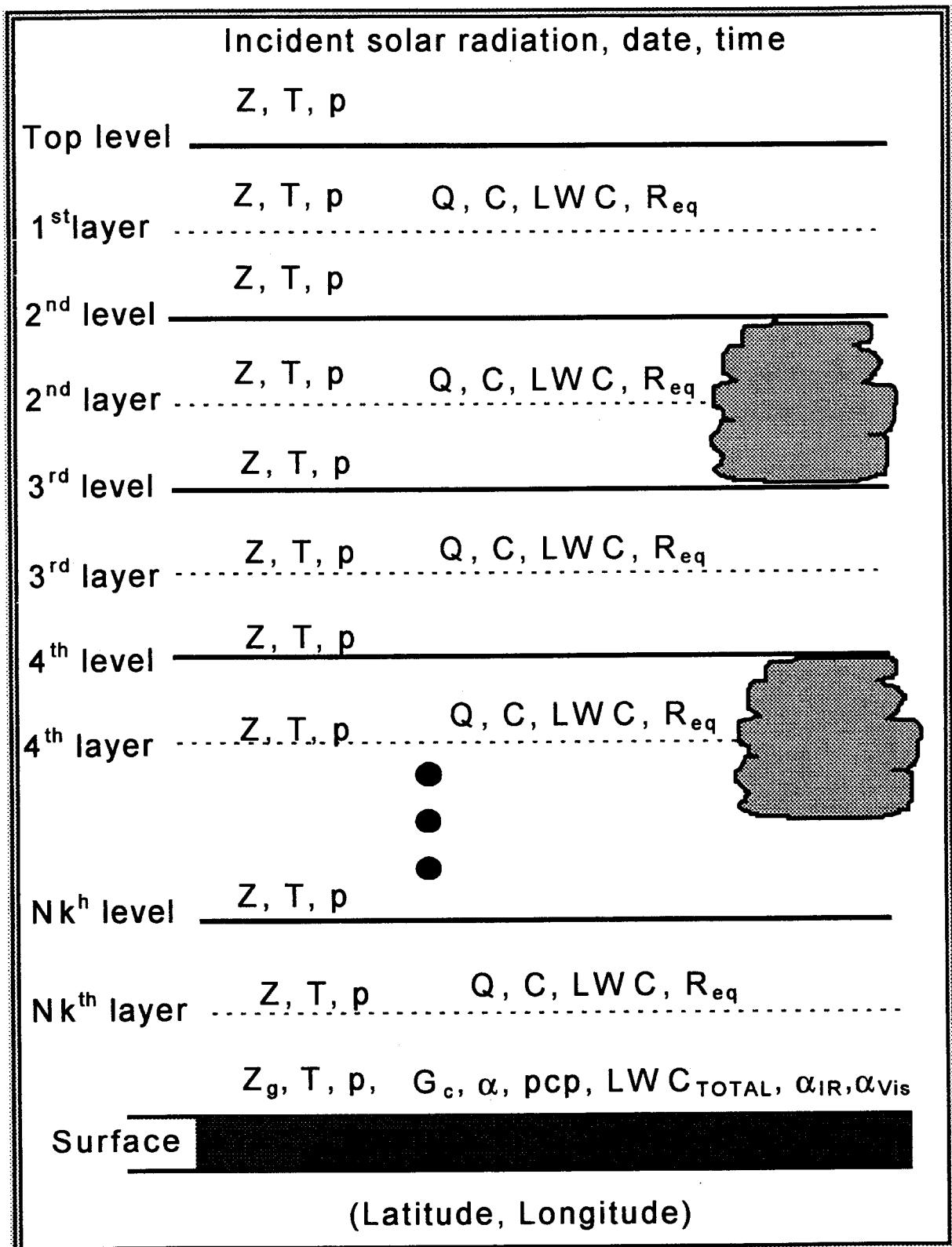
PART 1

DATASET
GENERATION
USING RCM AND
PRE-ANALYSIS
DIAGNOSTICS

Definition of the Input Data Set

```
TYPE Grid_Point ! [Units]
  SEQUENCE
    REAL Latitude, Longitude ! [deg]
    REAL Height_Lev(Nk) ! [m]
    REAL Height_Lay(Nk) ! [m]
    REAL Temperature_Lev(Nk) ! [K]
    REAL Temperature_Lay(Nk) ! [K]
    REAL Pressure_Lev(Nk) ! [hPa]
    REAL Pressure_Lay(Nk) ! [hPa]
    REAL Relative_Humidity(Nk) ! [fraction]
    REAL Cloud_Cover(Nk) ! [fraction]
    REAL Liquide_Water_Content(Nk) ! [g/m3]
    REAL Equivalent_Radius(Nk) ! [um]
    INTEGER Phase(nk) ! [0,1]
    REAL Concentration(nk) ! [number/cm3]
    REAL Surface_Type ! [-1,0,1]
    REAL Surface_Pressure ! [hPa]
    REAL Surface_Temperature ! [K]
    REAL Surface_Albedo ! [fraction]
    REAL Surface_Height ! [m]
    REAL Surface_Precipitation ! [mm/s]
    REAL Column_Liq_Water_Content ! [g/m3]
    REAL Surface_AlbedoI ! [fraction]
    REAL Surface_AlbedoV ! [fraction]
  END TYPE Grid_Point
```

Structure of the Atmospheric Data Set



PART 2

SYPAI
STRUCTURE
AND
DESCRIPTION

Cloud Microphysics

$$C = \frac{(H - H_o)}{(1 - H_o)}.$$

$$\text{Phase} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } T > T_{\text{ice}} + \sigma_T P \\ 1 & \text{if } T \leq T_{\text{ice}} + \sigma_T P \end{cases}$$

$$X_{\text{ave}} = 0.698 + 0.366 L + 0.122 L^2 + 0.0136 L^3$$

$$X_{\text{max}} = 4.45 + 3.42 L + 1.06 L^2 + 0.115 L^3$$

$$L = \log_{10} (\text{LWC}).$$

$$Re_{\text{ice}} = 5640 (X_{\text{ave}} / 100)^{0.786} + 13$$

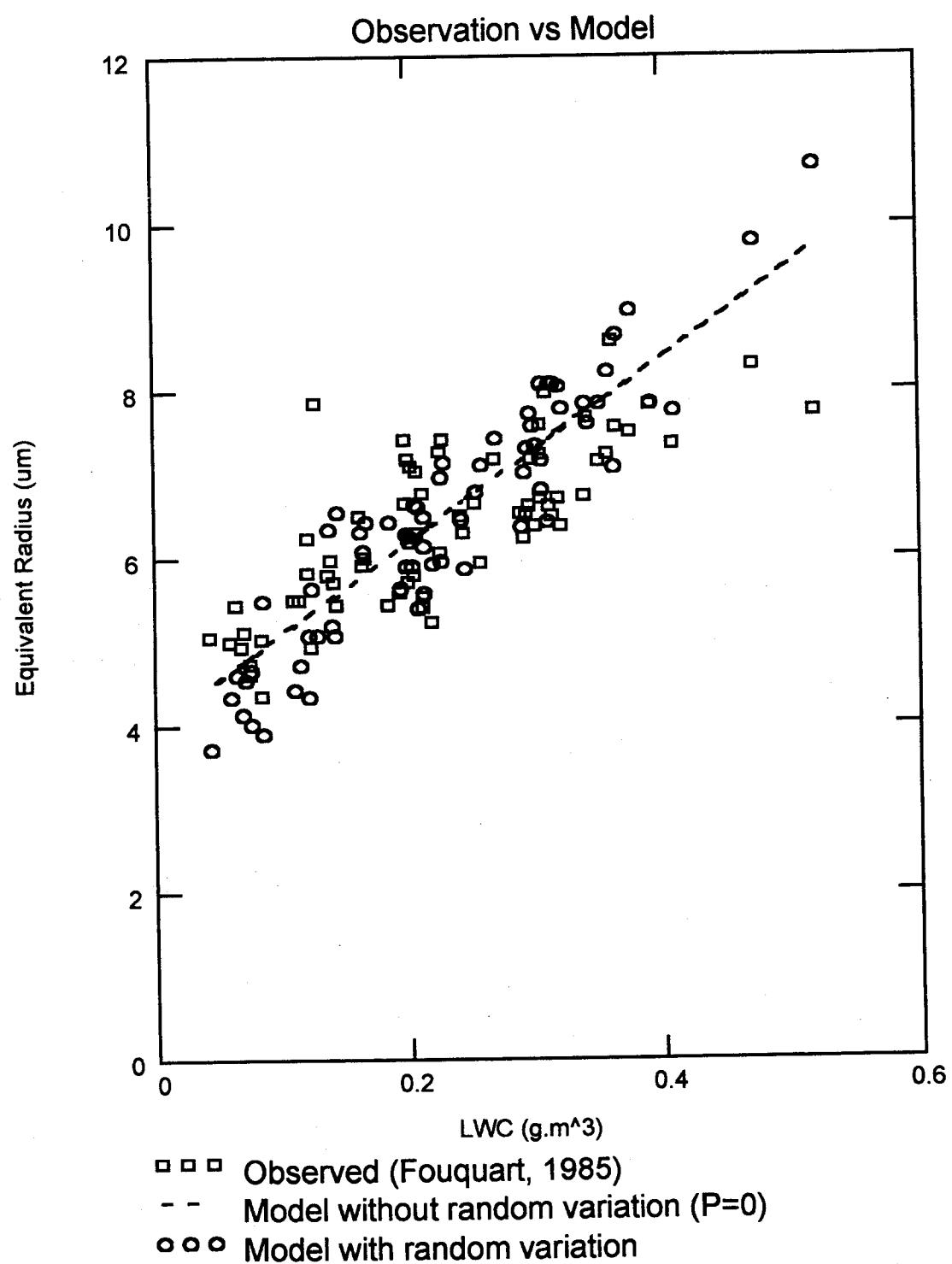
$$\rho_{\text{ice}} = 650 X_{\text{ave}}^{-0.915}$$

$$C_{\text{ice}} = 3 \times 10^{12} (\text{LWC} / 4\pi \rho_{\text{ice}} Re_{\text{ice}}^3)$$

$$Re_w = 11 \text{LWC} + 4 + P$$

$$C_w = 3 \times 10^{12} (\text{LWC} / 4\pi \rho_w Re_w^3)$$

Comparison of Model Equivalent Radius vs Observations



User Interface : Input Data File

```
<<<<<<<<< INPUT DATA FOR SYPAT >>>>>>>>>>>>>

Definition of the scene (binary file)
MAP07km.dau

Input data set file name

*****  
* RADAR *  
*****  
  
1 1  
itest | itest_traj = ioption_traj  
  
500.d3 1 1 1  
Hsat iobs isave ioption_data  
  
1000.  
radar_hsampling  
  
*****  
* LIDAR *  
*****  
lidar.dat  
Lidar data file  
  
aerosol.dat  
Fix aerosol data file  
  
watercid.dat  
Water cloud data file  
  
Y T  
str noise : str=y(es) ---> noise=true  
str=n(o) ---> noise=false  
  
23 2  
idum ioption_traj  
  
13 14 15  
ifile1 ifile2 ifile3
```

User Interface : Input Data File . . .

```
*****
* IMAGER/BBR *
*****  
1 2 0 0 0 1 2 6 10 9 0 0 0 0 0 0 T T 31 35 F  
kins(i)=1,5 | ip(i)=1,11 | cont | display | ls Js | load  
stores  
setting from  
disc to disc  
*****  
* RTC *  
*****  
F  
irtc: TRUE DO FULL CALCULATION INTO STREAMER  
      FALSE USE RADIANCE ARCHIVED TABLE  
  
<<<<<<<< INFORMATION ON PARAMETERS >>>>>>>>>>>>>  
Input file data names:  
=====  
  
Files Naming conventions:  
=====  
  
Input parameters :  
=====  
ioption:  
itraj :  
  
itest=0 No test. IJ_orbit defined in SYPAI  
itest=1 IJ_orbit generated here using orbit.inp  
  
ioption_traj=1 One uses the longitudes and latitudes  
corresponding to IJ orbit()  
Caveat: Does not match necessarily  
radar_hsampling and therefore noise can be  
erroneous  
ioption_traj=2 Trajectory goes along orbit points  
xlatin,xlongin to xlatfin, xlongfin  
intermediate points are generated with a spacing  
equal to radar_hsampling  
This should be the normal way of operation when  
active instruments are properly aligned.  
  
Cloud radar retrieval is controlled by ioption data  
ioption_data=1 One uses variable already available  
in commons assigned by radar_frameobs  
ioption_data=2 Data is read from file.  
radar retrieval can be called independently  
of other programs.
```

User Interface : Entry to Main Program

Main Program : SYPAI.f

```
PROGRAM SYPAI
C..... Read in Instrument Characteristics
C..... CALL Instruments

C..... Read in the pixel and Radiance characteristics
IJ = NI*NJ + 1
CALL Get_Pixel2 (Place,Pixel,IJo,IJ,ID)
WRITE(*,*) Place
IF (FullRTC) THEN
    WRITE (*,601)
    DO 110 ki = 1, 1          ! ni
        DO 100 kj = 1, 1      ! nj
            IJ = Indx (Ki,Kj,NI,NJ)
            CALL Get_Pixel2(Place,Pixel,IJo,IJ,ID)
            CALL Radiance (BBR_signal, Place,Pixel,ki,kj,ij)
            CALL Sample (Pixel,IJ,ki,kj)
100     CONTINUE
110     CONTINUE
ELSE ! Do only reading of pre-calculated radiances
    WRITE(*,*) ' RTC IN TABLE FORMAT '
    CALL rad_data
END IF

C..... Run Active Instruments
C..... RADAR
CALL RADAR (itest,itest_traj)

C..... LIDAR
CALL LIDARmain (frame_handle,pixel_file,ifile1,ifile2,ifile3,
2           instrument_datafile,aerosol_datafile,cloud_datafile,
3           xlongin,xlatin,xlongfin,xlatfin,nois,itest,ioption_traj)

C..... Run Passive Instruments
C..... BBR_IMAGER
CALL BBR_IMAGER !cn282

C..... Non-interferometric Retrievals
C     CALL Retriev (LIDAR_signal,RADAR_signal,BBR_signal,IMAGER_signal)

C..... Data Fusion & Synergistic Retrieval
C     CALL Synergy (LIDAR_signal,RADAR_signal,BBR_signal,IMAGER_signal)

CLOSE (ID)
STOP 'OK'
```

Output of RCM

Output files	Variable name
ALBS.DAT	Surface albedo
ALSI.DAT	Infra-red albedo
ALSV.DAT	Visible albedo
CLDCOV.DAT	Cloud cover
GCOVER.DAT	Ground cover
GHUM.DAT	Humidity
GTEMP.DAT	Ground temperature
HGHT.DAT	Height level
LWCD.DAT	Liquid water content
LYRHGHT.DAT	Height layer
LYRPRES.DAT	Pressure layer
LYRTEMP.DAT	Temperature layer
PRECIP.DAT	Precipitation
PRES.DAT	Pressure Level
RADIUS.DAT	Equivalent radius
SURFACP.DAT	Surface pressure
TEMP.DAT	Temperature level
TLWC.DAT	Total liquid water content
TOPOGFY.DAT	Height of topography

Example of the MAKEFILE structure.

```
# Makefile for building Sypai with option for debugging.
# *** IBM VERSION, AIX 3.2.5 ***
#
# Modified by Marc Larocque June 18 1997
# Work for the IBM under AIX 4.0

.PRECIOUS: $(SYPAILIB)
.PRECIOUS: $(RTCLIB)
.PRECIOUS: $(RADARLIB)
.PRECIOUS: $(LIDARLIB)

PROGRAM= sypai_b23
OSYPAI = sypai_b23.o ran1.o
FSYPAI = sypai_b23.f
#
FFLAGS = -c -g -static # -qfixed
$(PROGRAM) : $(OSYPAI)
$(LINKER) $(OSYPAI) $(DIR_RTC)/$(RTCLIB)
$(DIR_RADAR)/
$(RADARLIB) $(DIR_LIDAR)/$(LIDARLIB) -o
$(PROGRAM)

DIR_SYPAI = $(MY_PATH)
DIR_RTC = $(MY_PATH)/RTC
DIR_RADAR = $(MY_PATH)/RADAR01
DIR_LIDAR = $(MY_PATH)/LIDAR

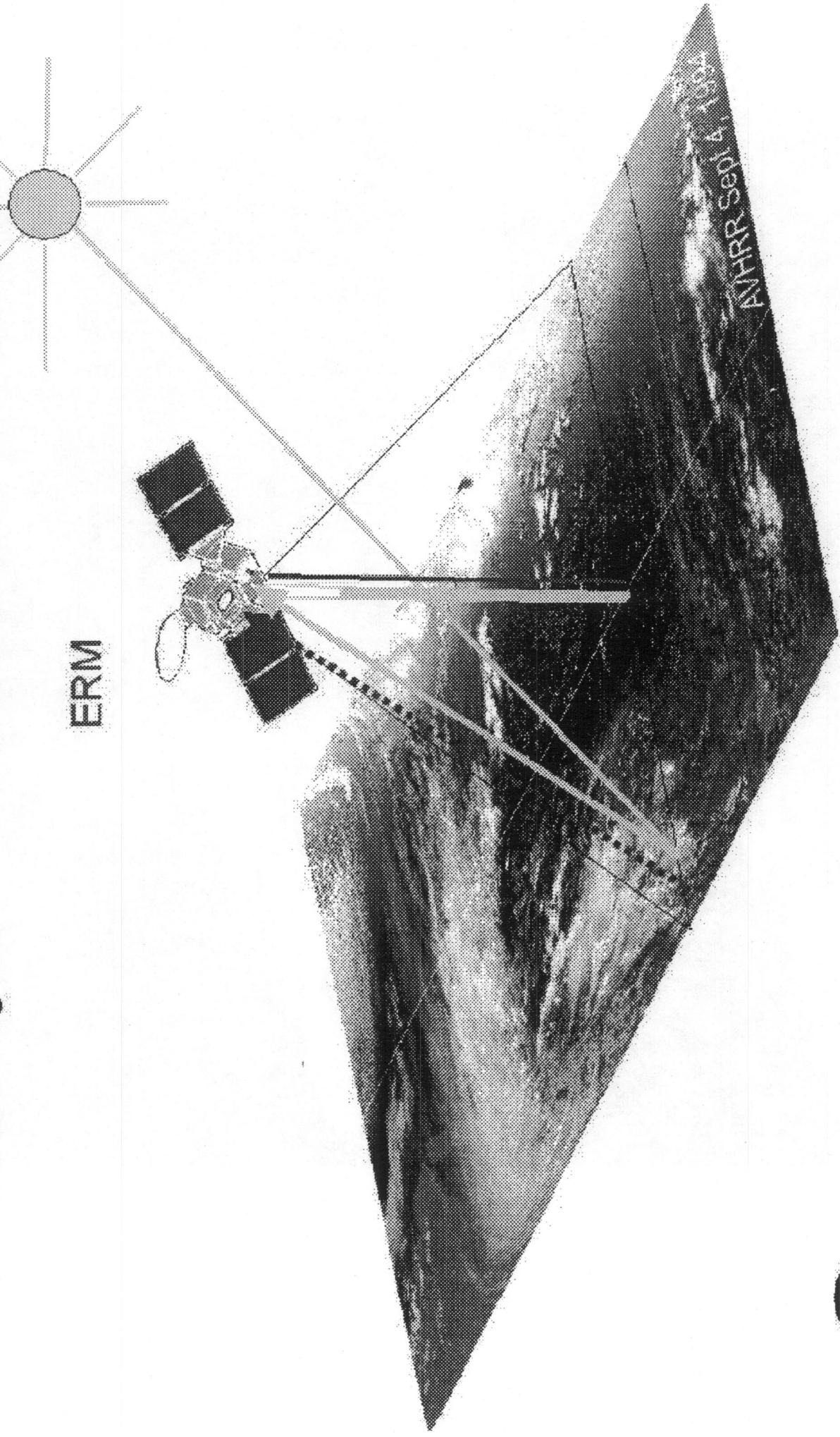
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RADARLIB = radarlib.a
LIDARLIB = lidarlib.a

RADAR1:
    cd $(DIR_RTC); make rtc; make genlib
    cd $(DIR_RADAR); make ; make genlib
    LIDAR1:
        cd $(DIR_LIDAR); make ; make genlib
clean:
    rm -f *.o sypai_b23
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RESULTS

**CASE STUDY
SEPTEMBER 4, 1994
SYNOPTIC STORM**

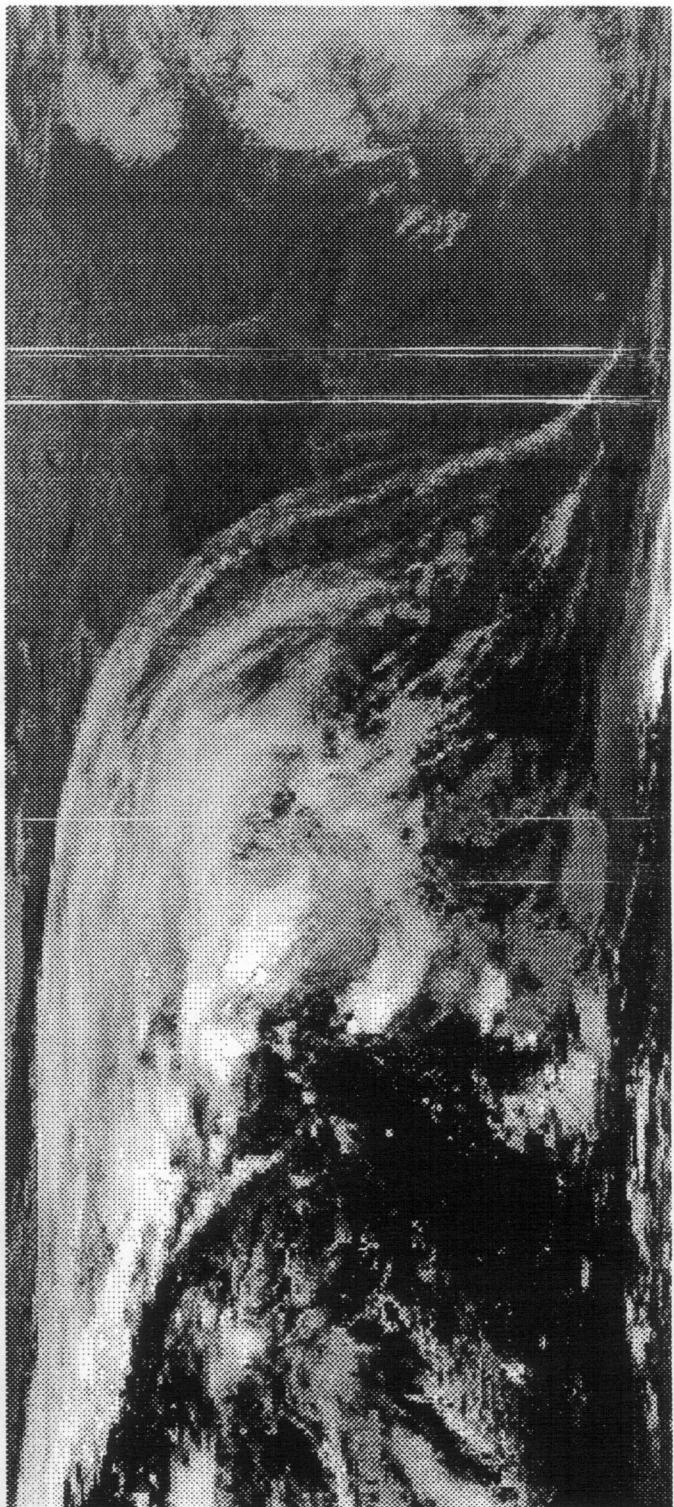
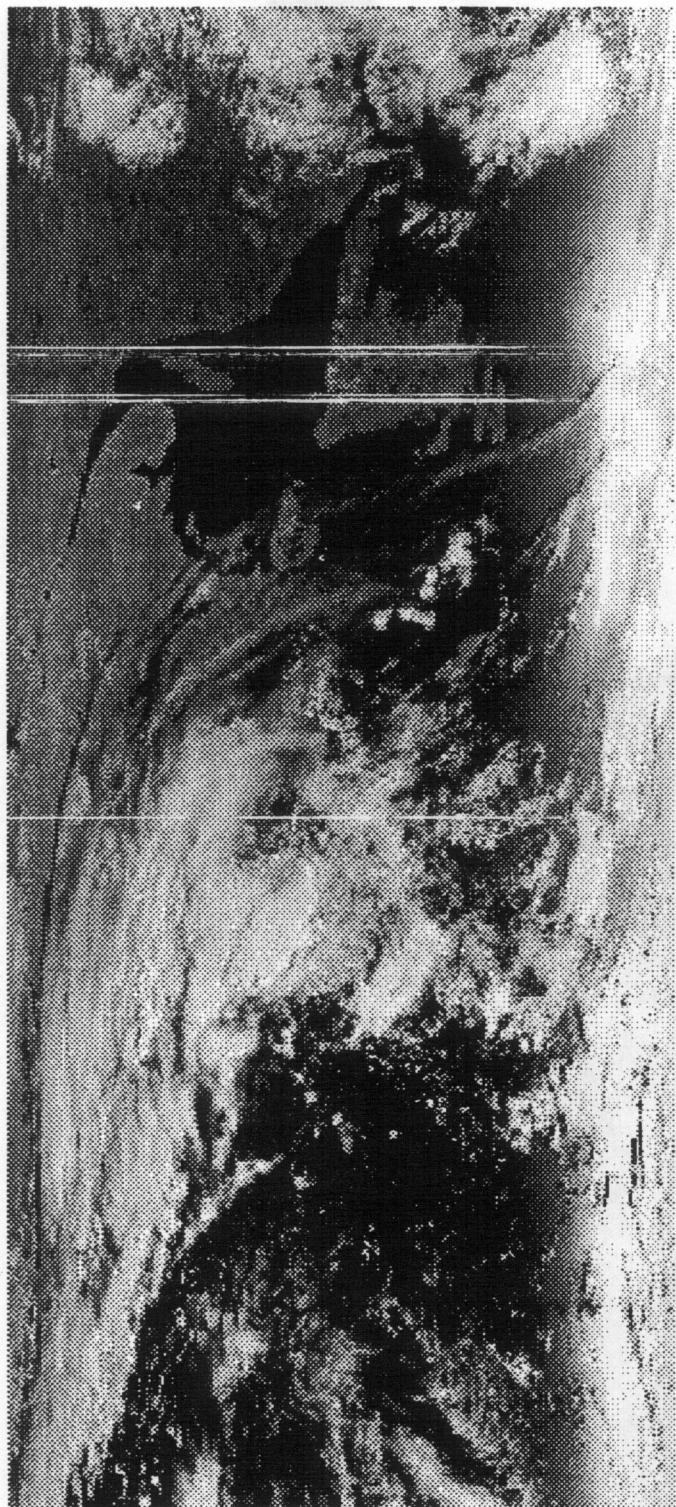
SYPAI: SYnergetic Passive and Active Instrument Simulator



AVHRR Imager Sept 4, 1994

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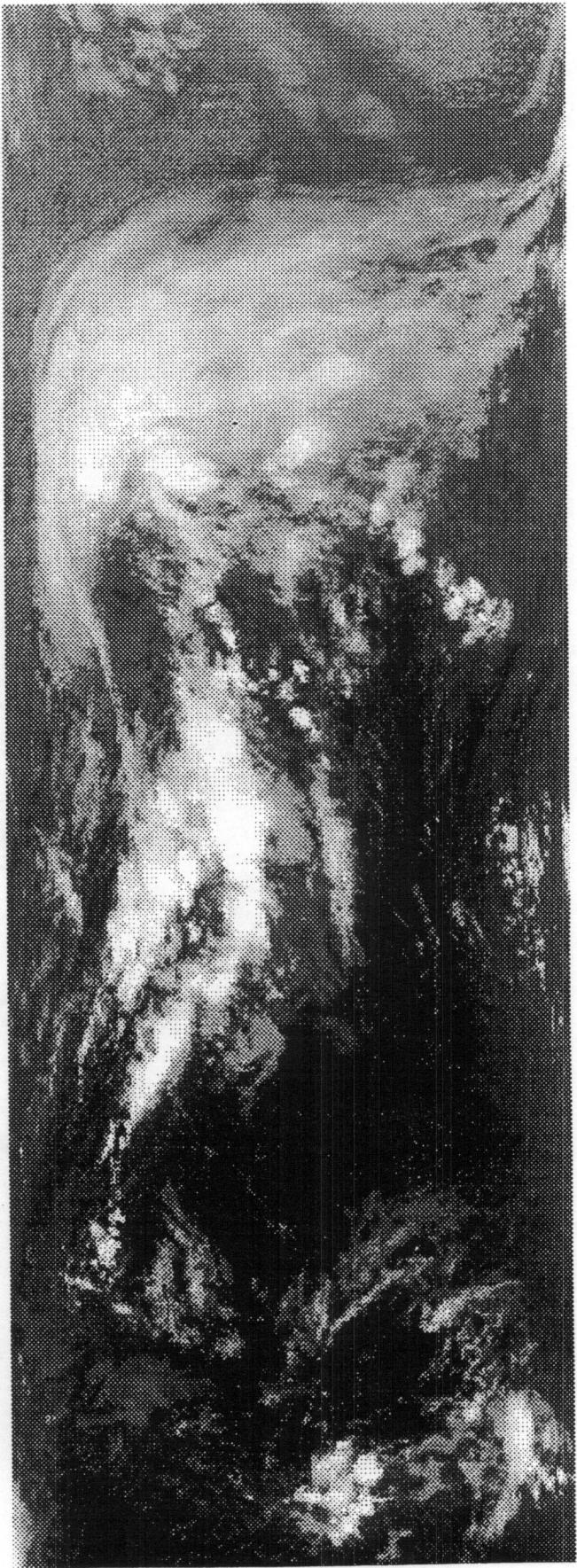
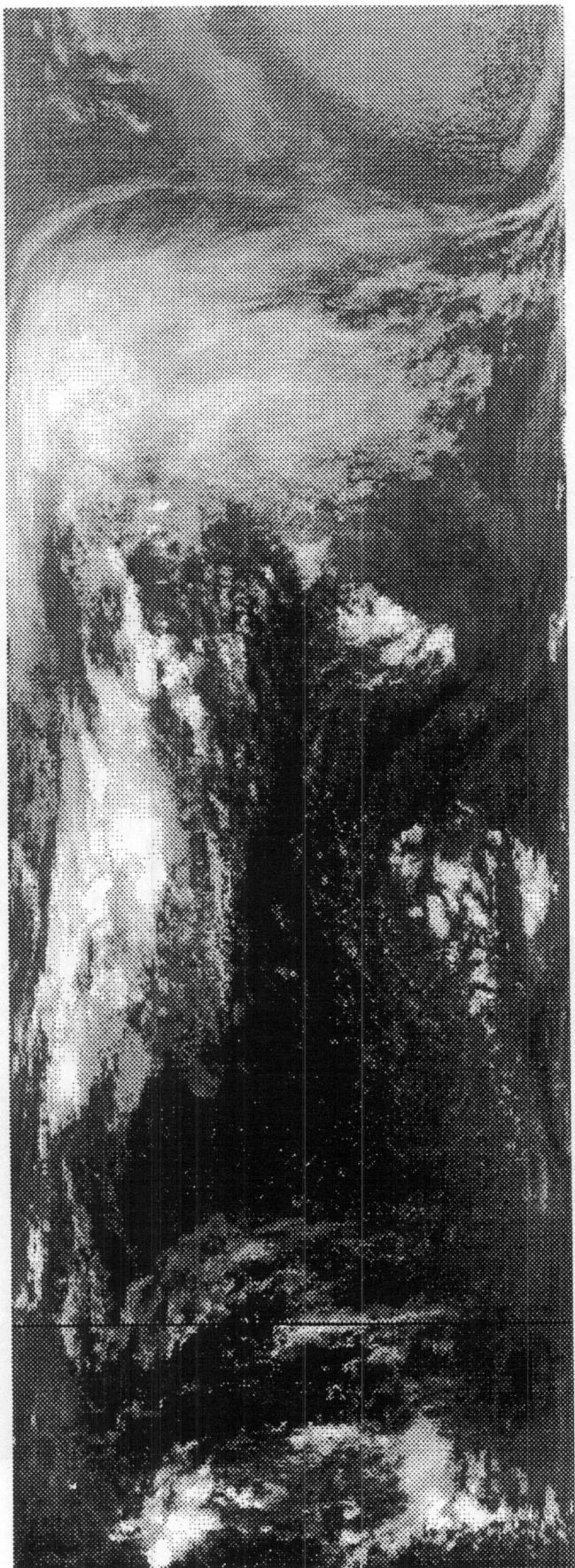
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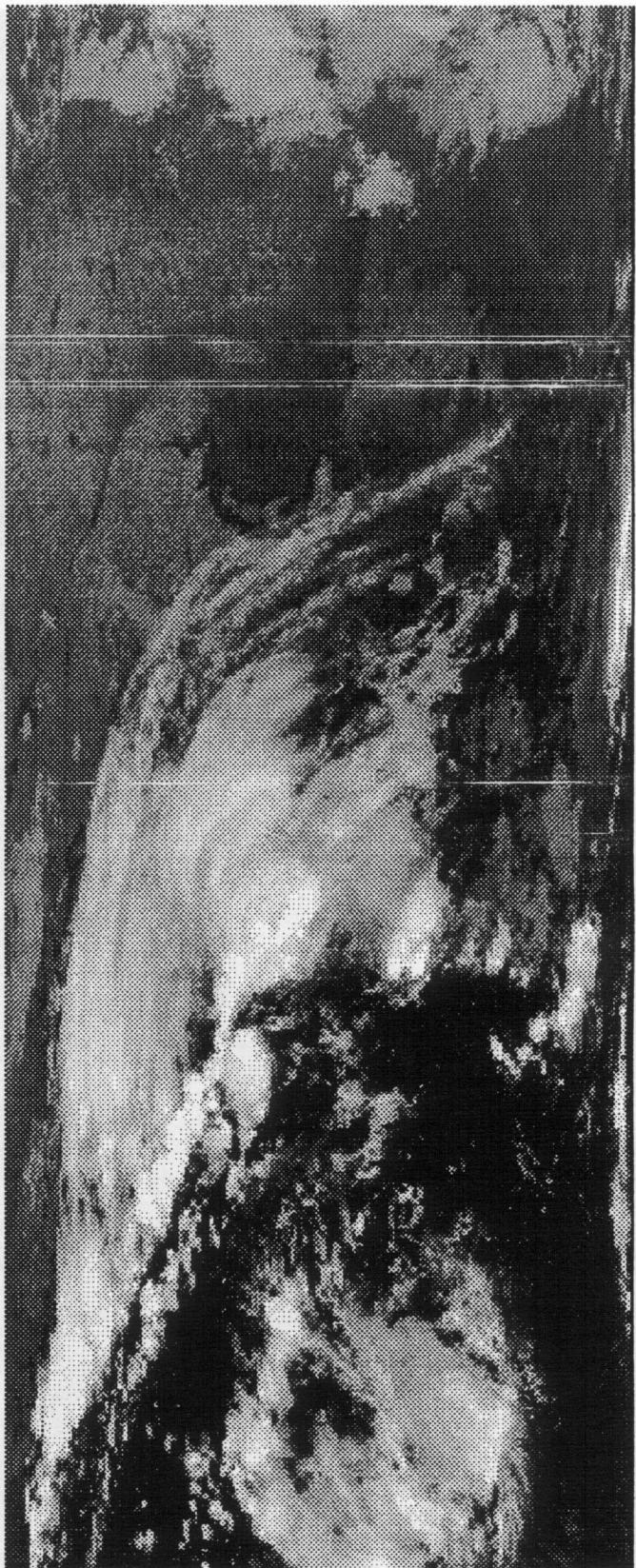
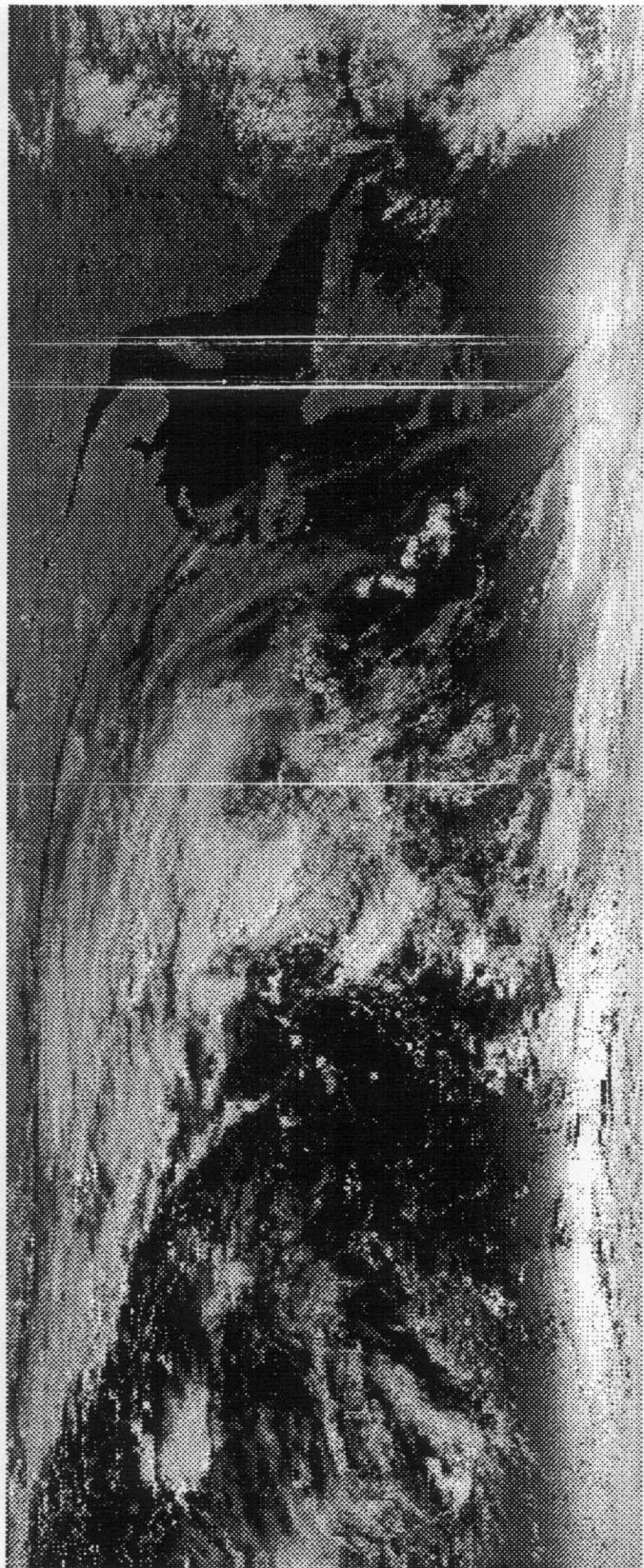
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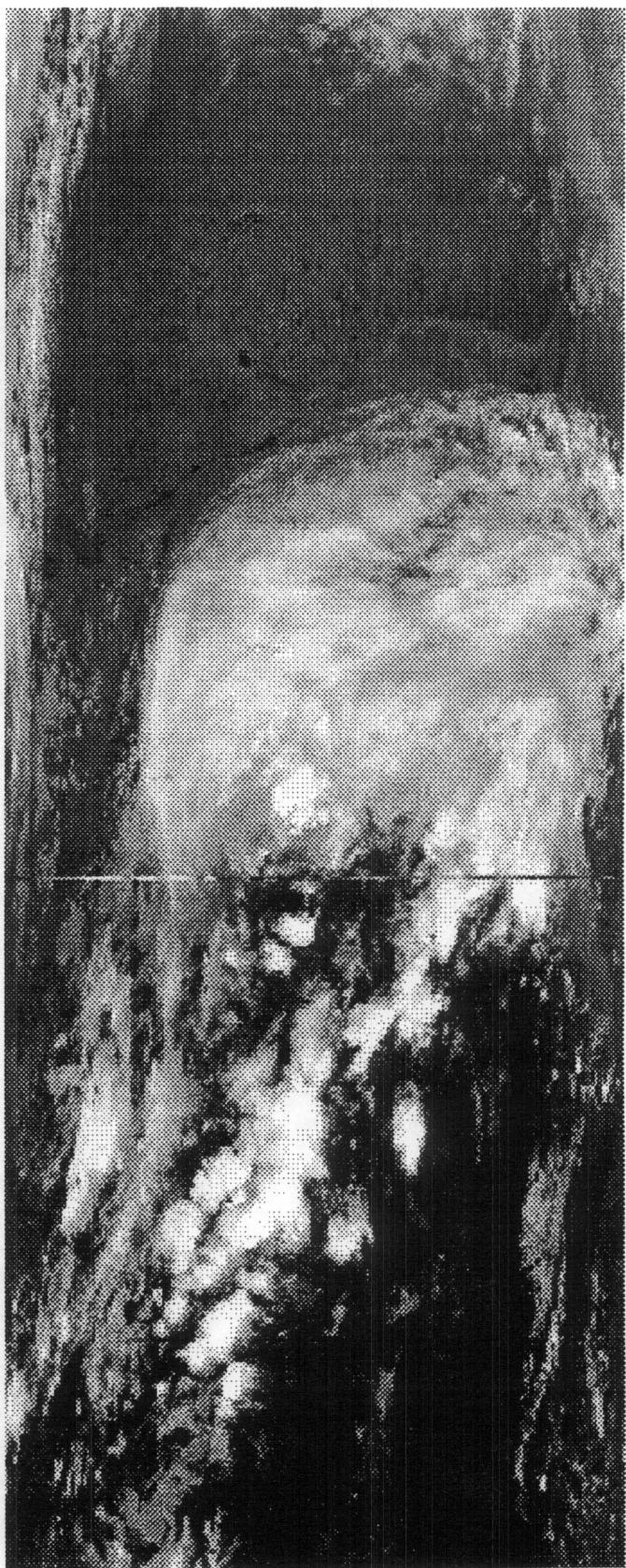
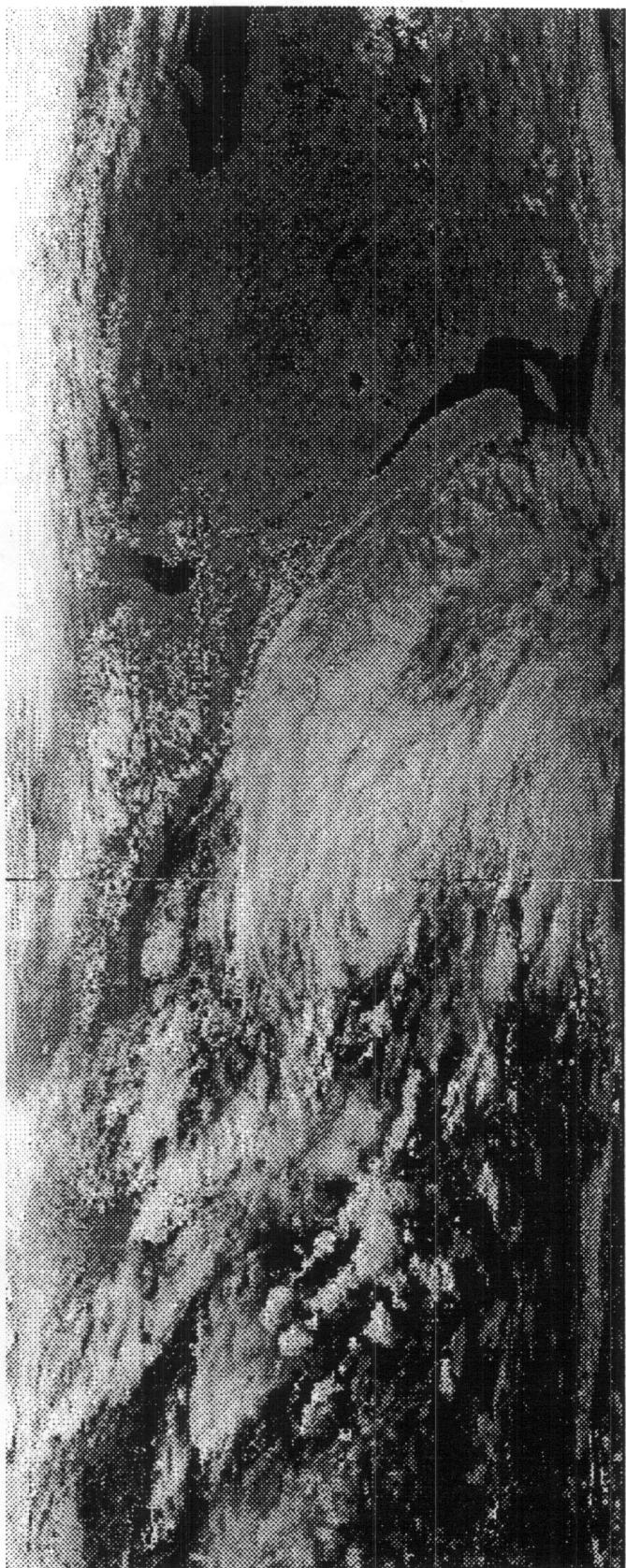
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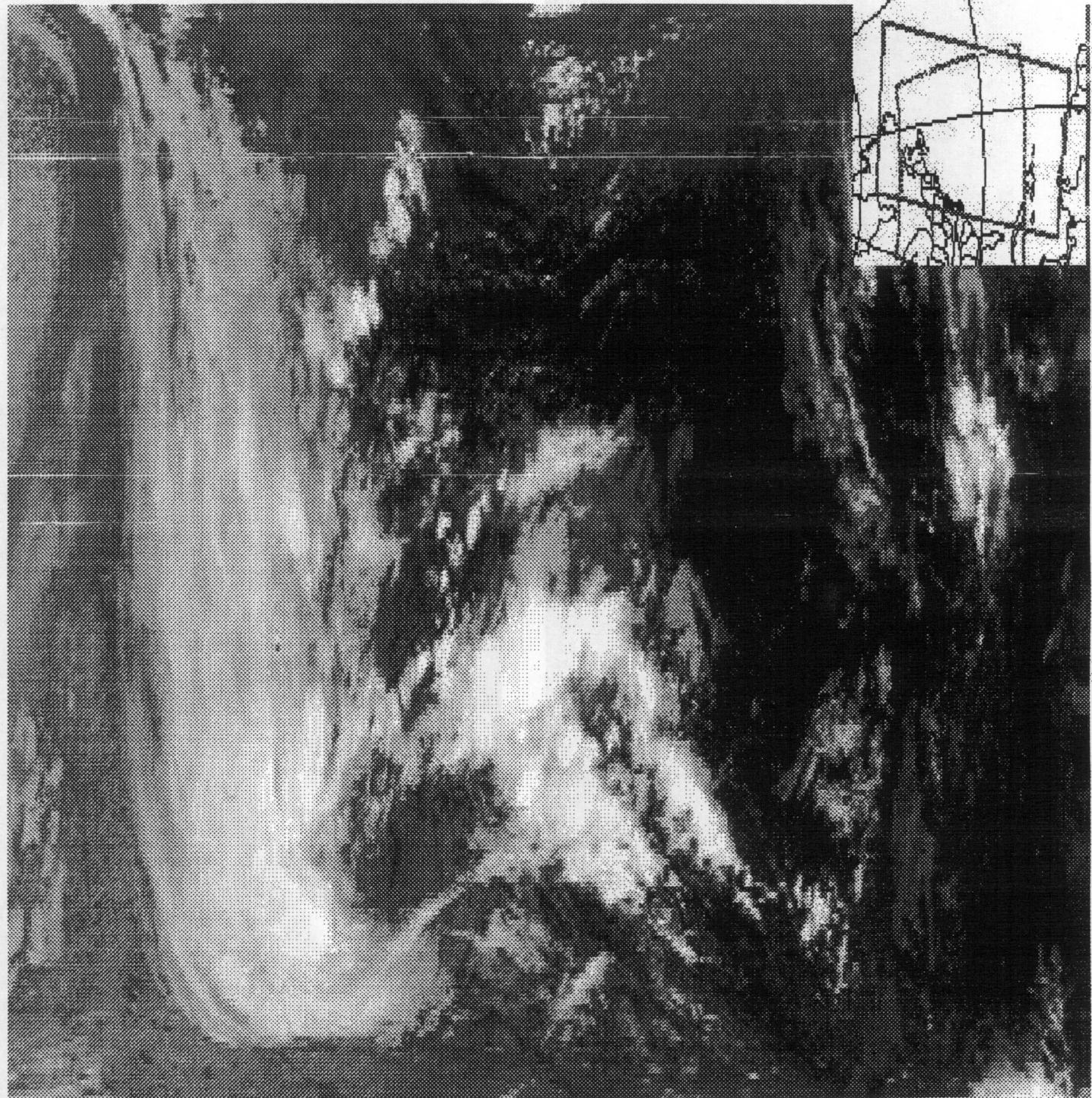
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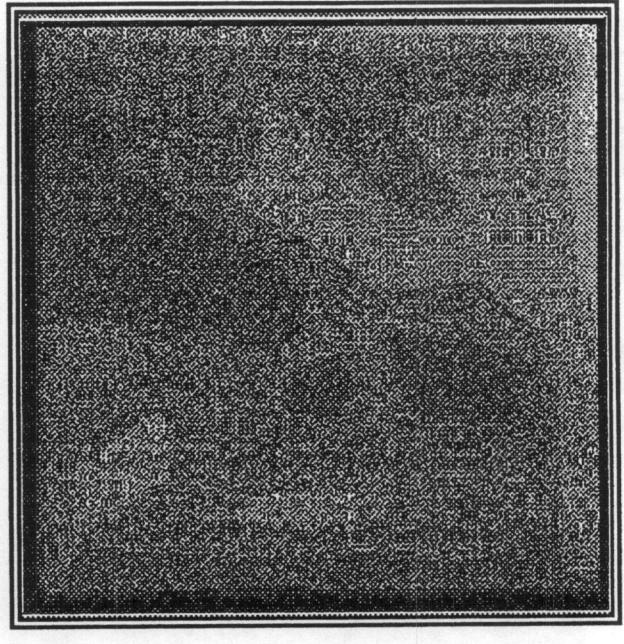
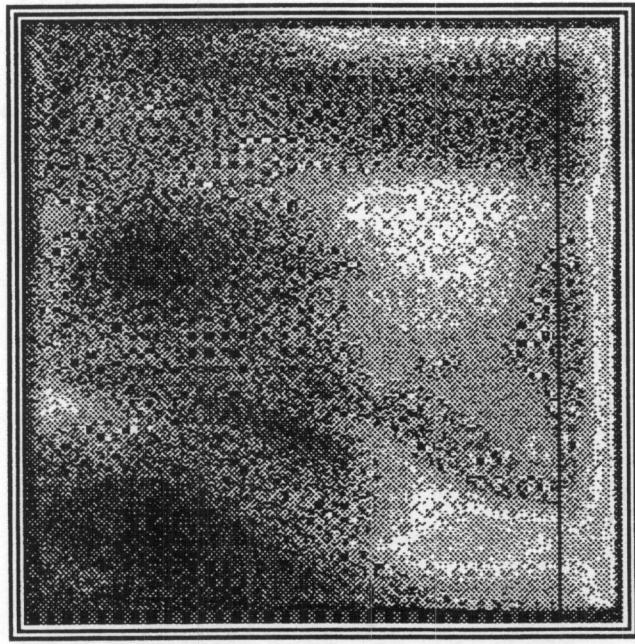
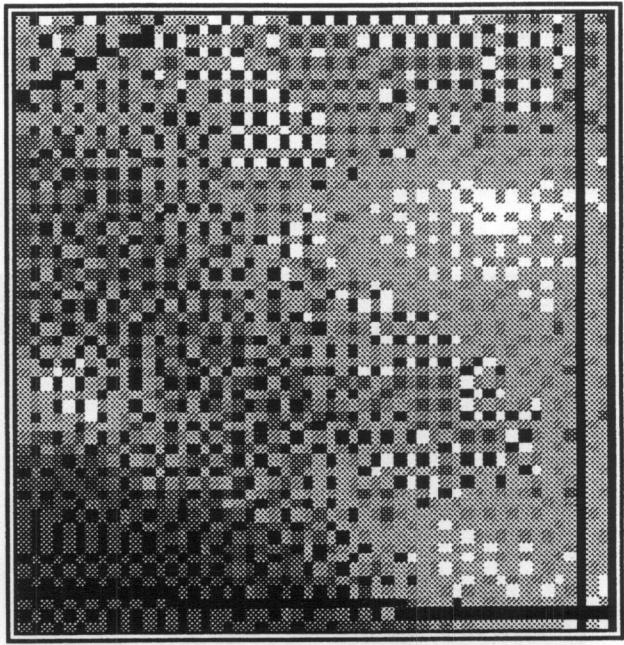
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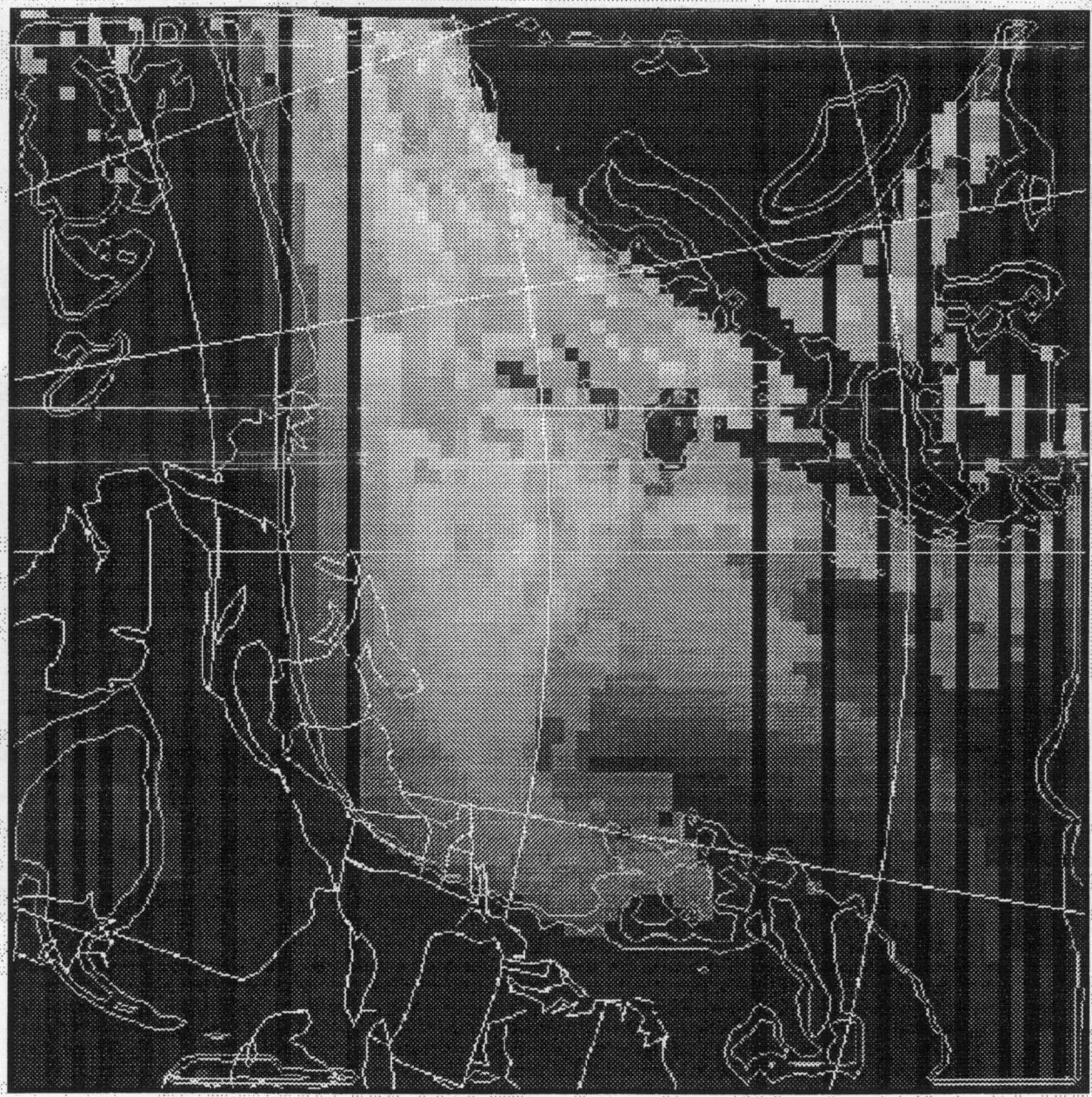


50 KM GRID

Effect of Scaling from 50km to 7km to 1km resolutions



Vis-Channel 1



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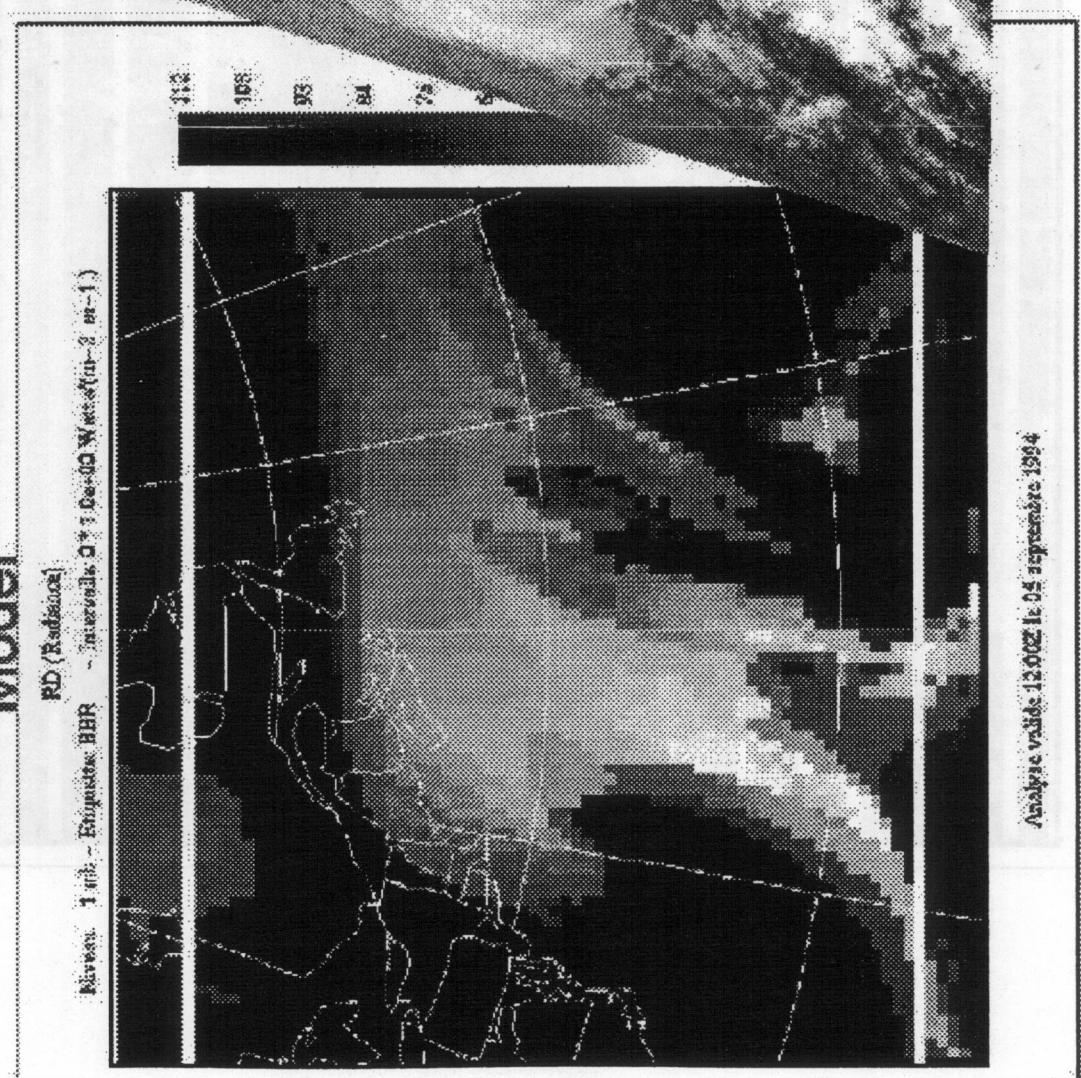
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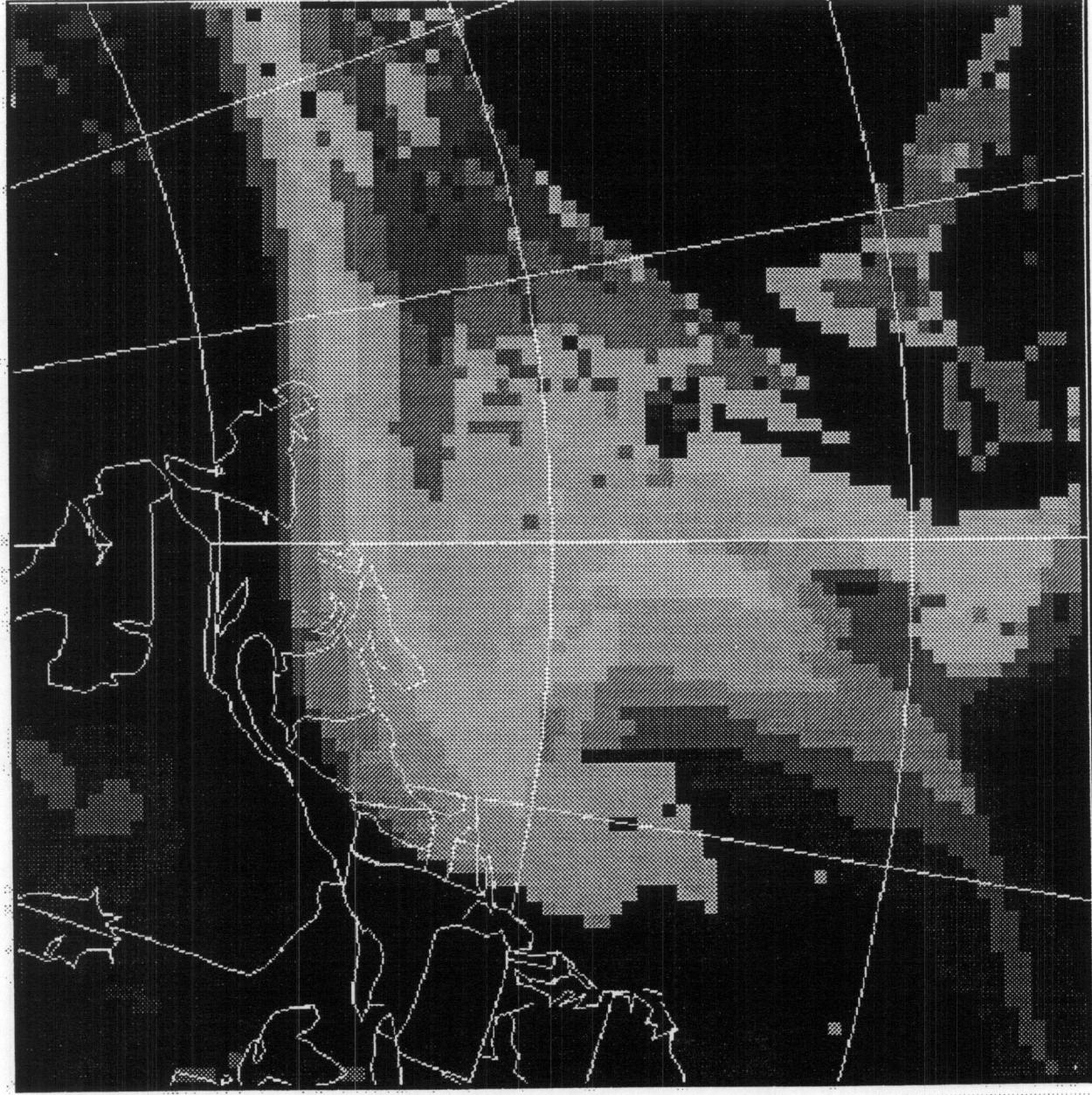
Comparison of BBR IR Images for 5 September 1994

Model Observed



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AVHRR channel 1



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90

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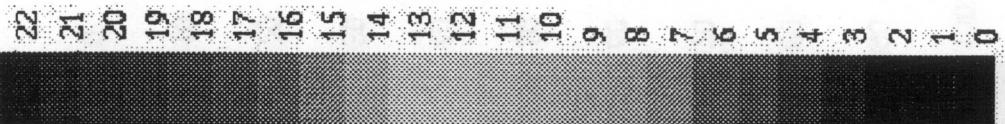
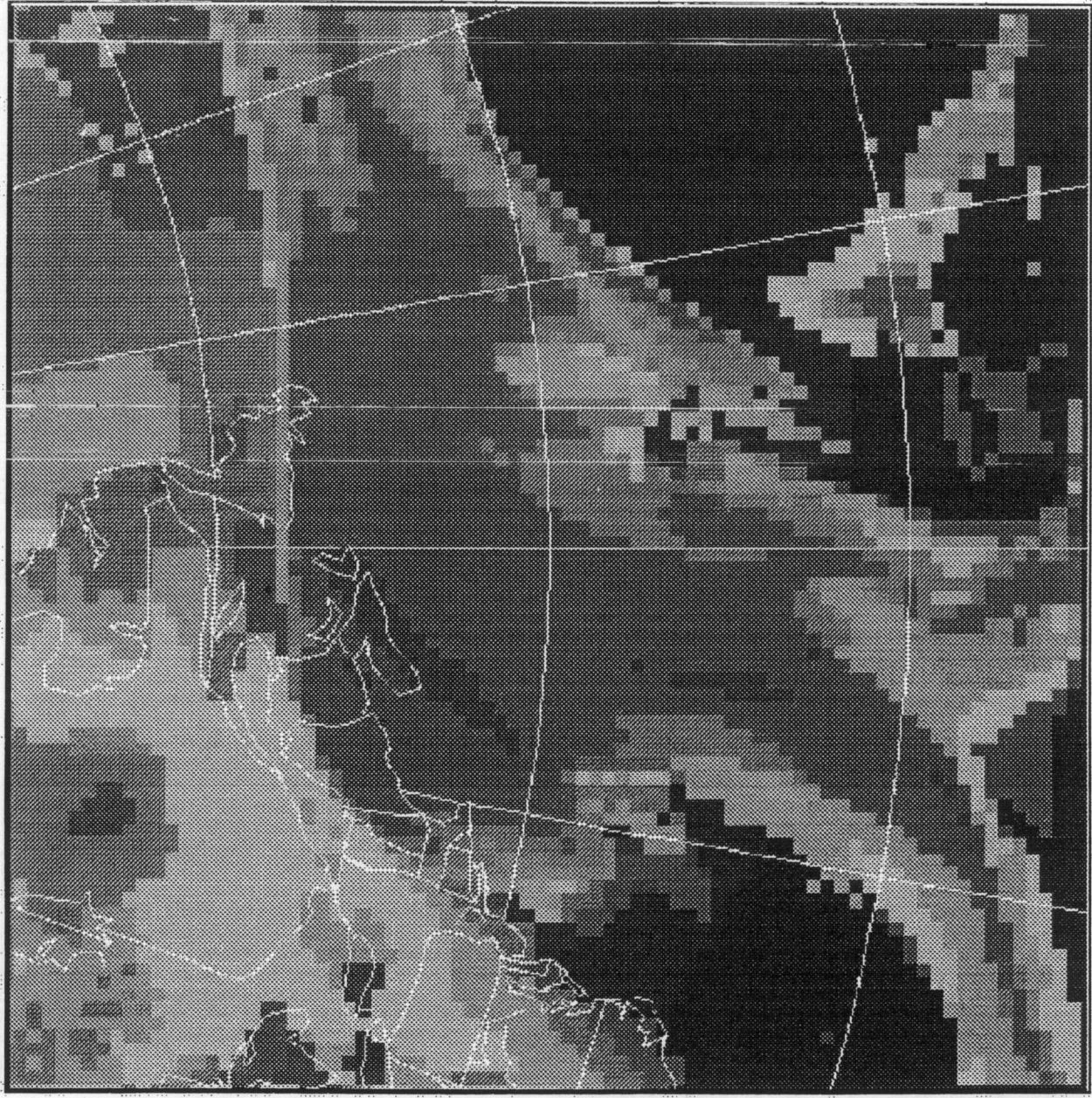
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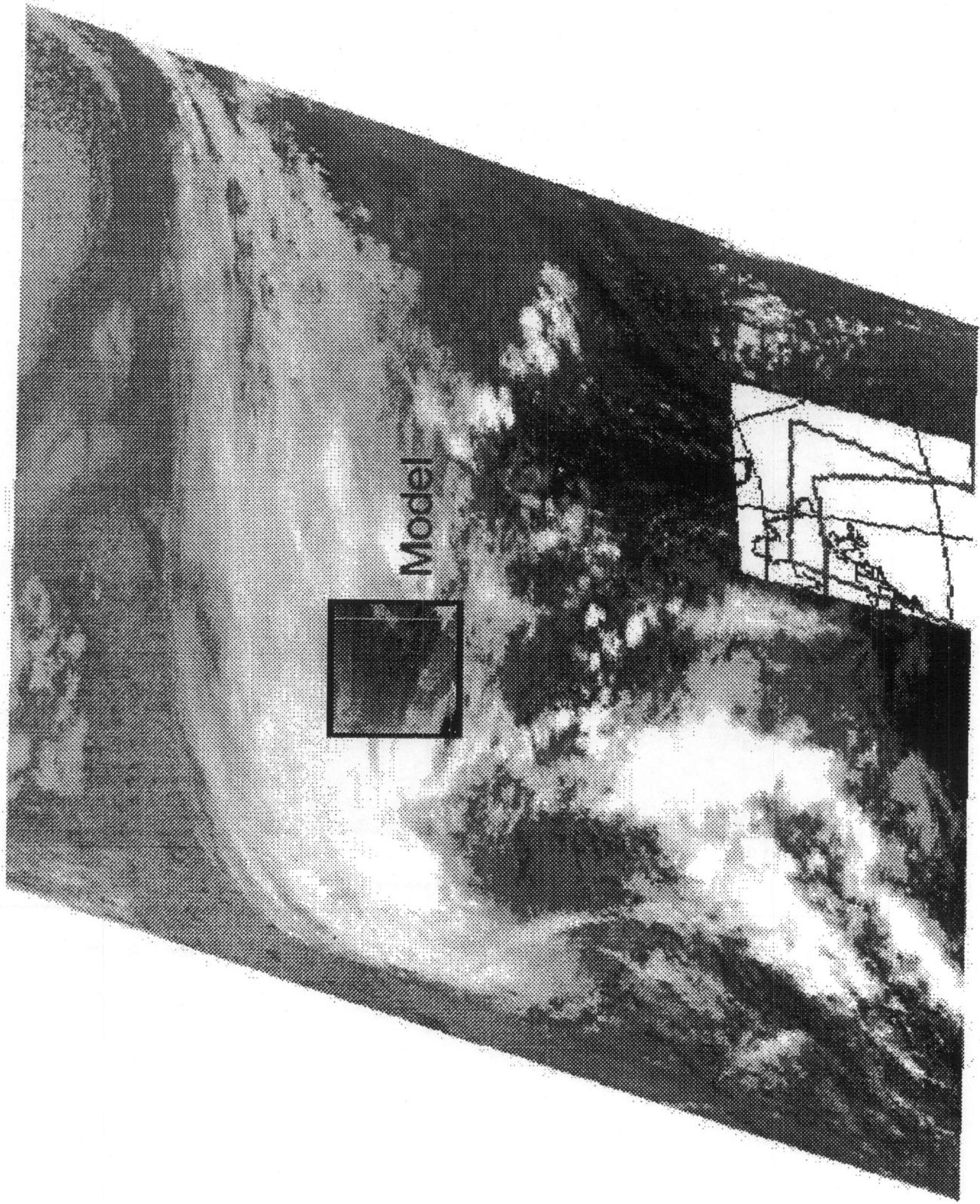
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7 KM GRID

Comparison of the Medium Grid (7km resolution)



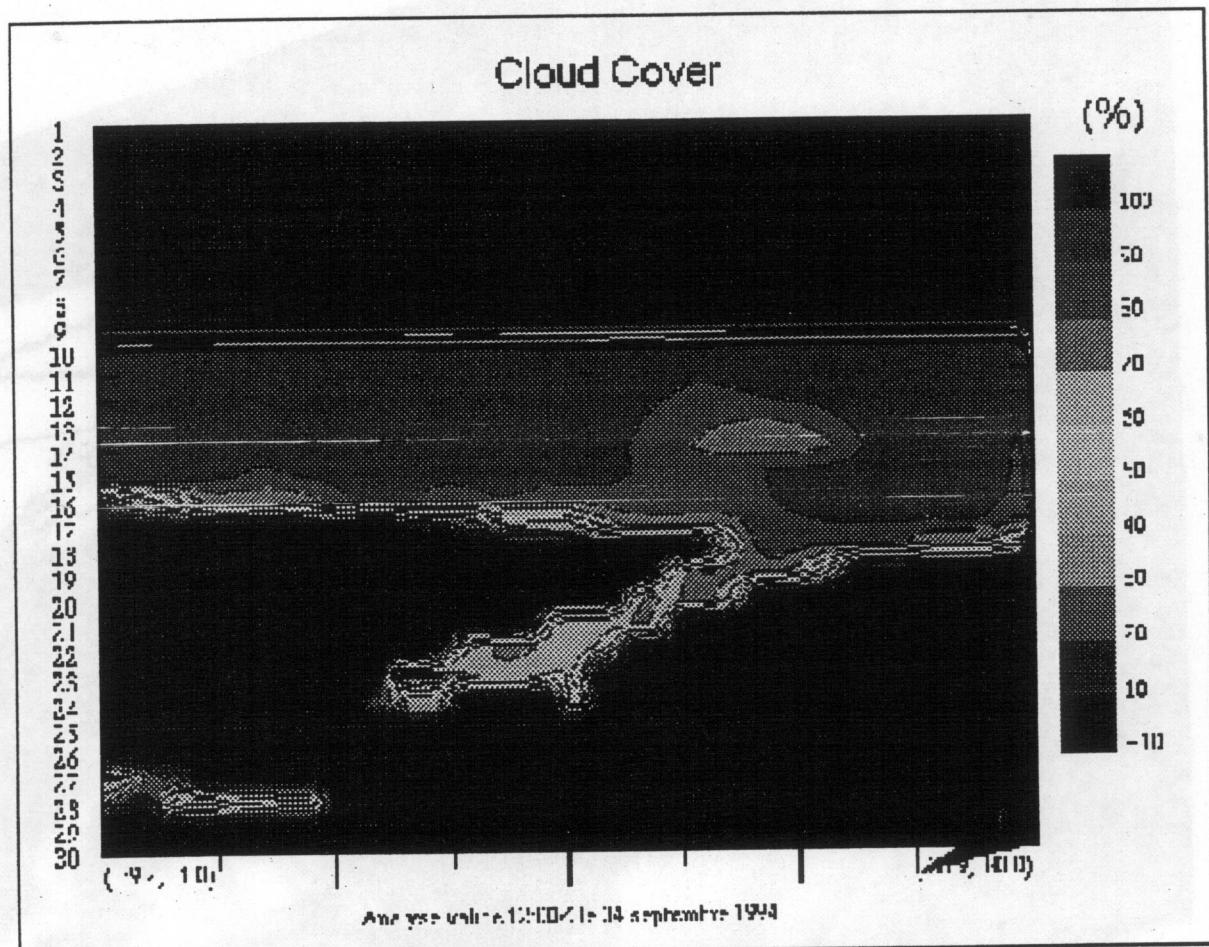
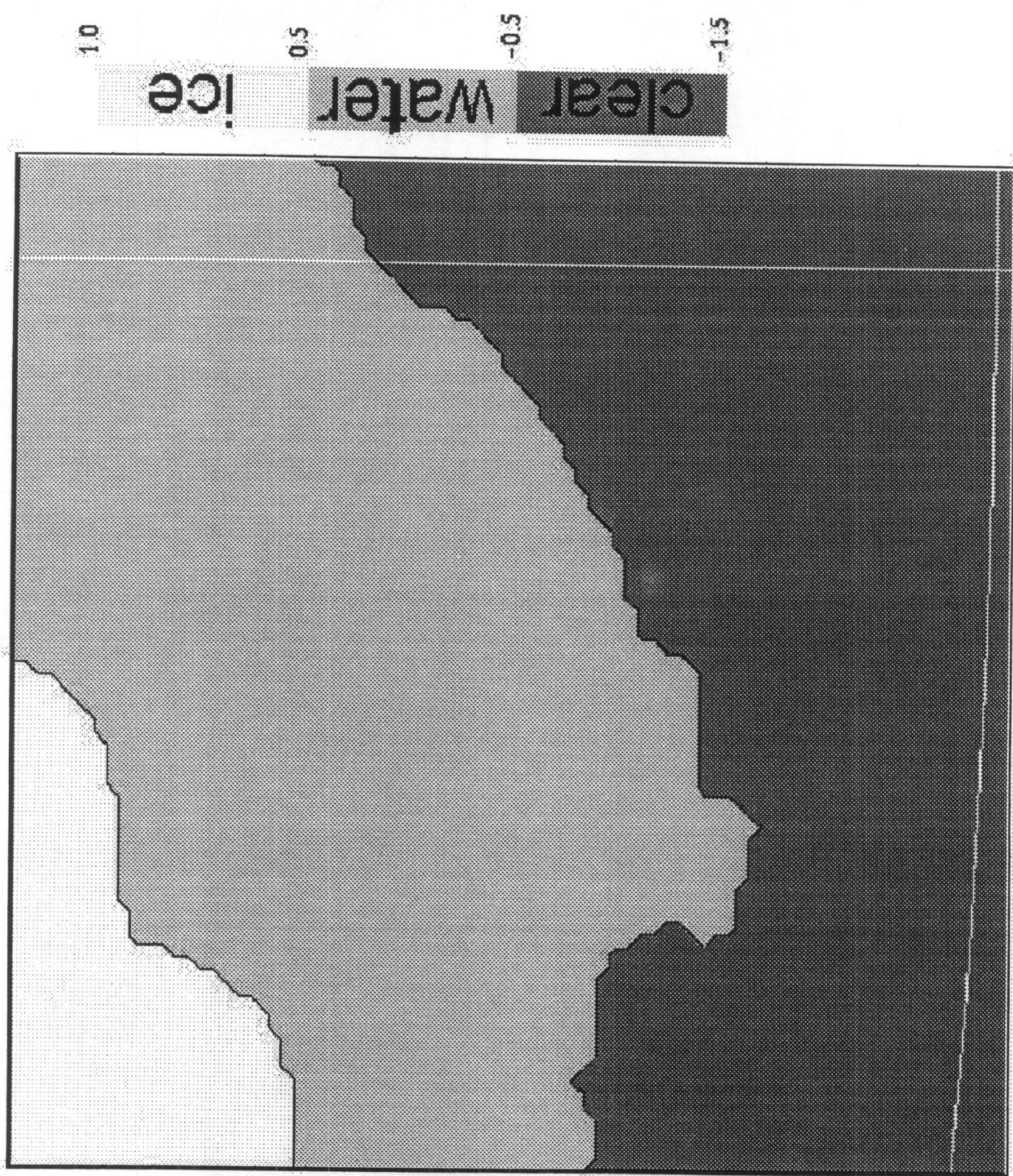
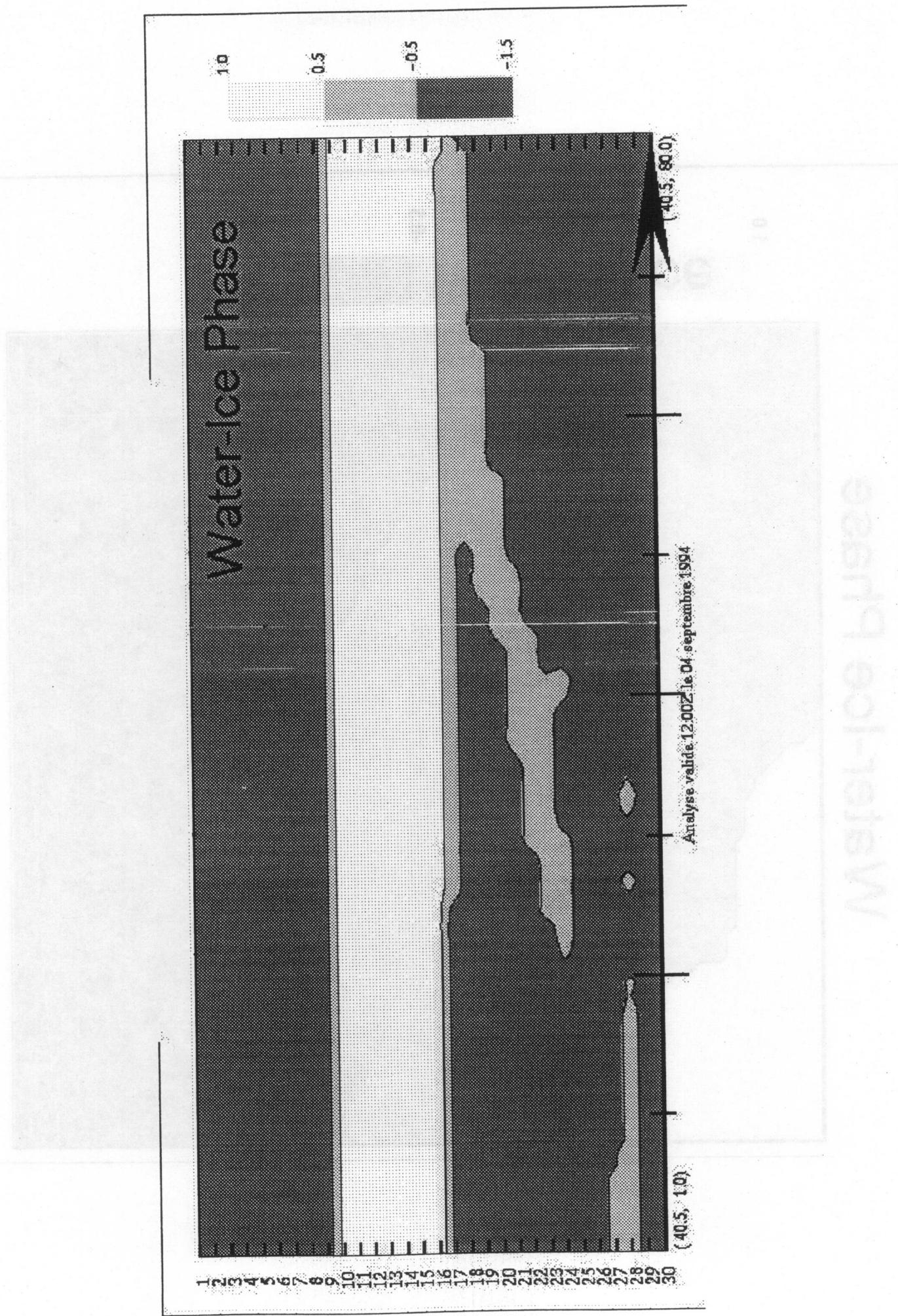


Figure 8. Cross section of cloudiness along the satellite trajectory for the 7 km grid.

Water-Ice Phase



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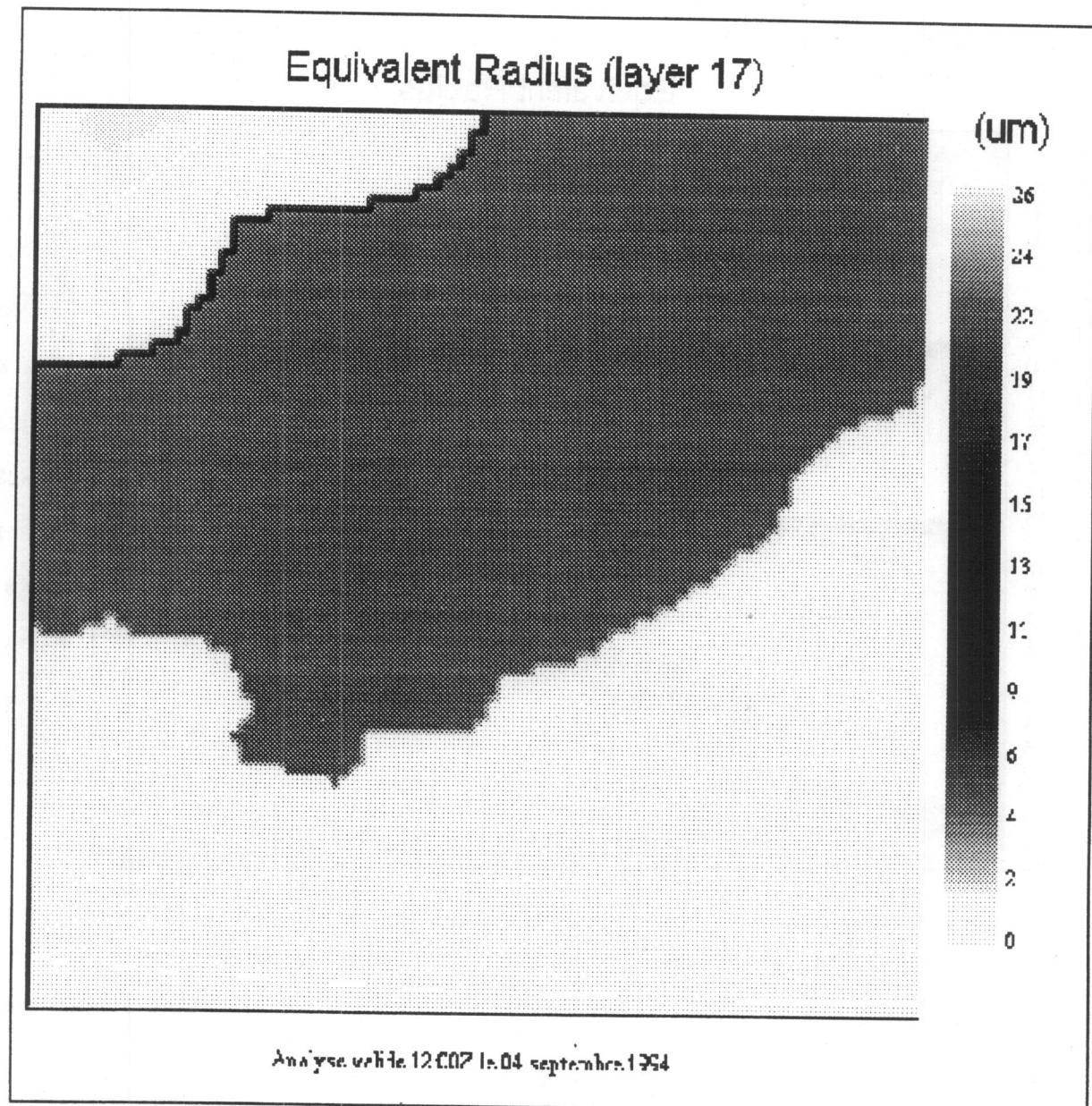


Figure 17. As figure 16 but for equivalent radius.

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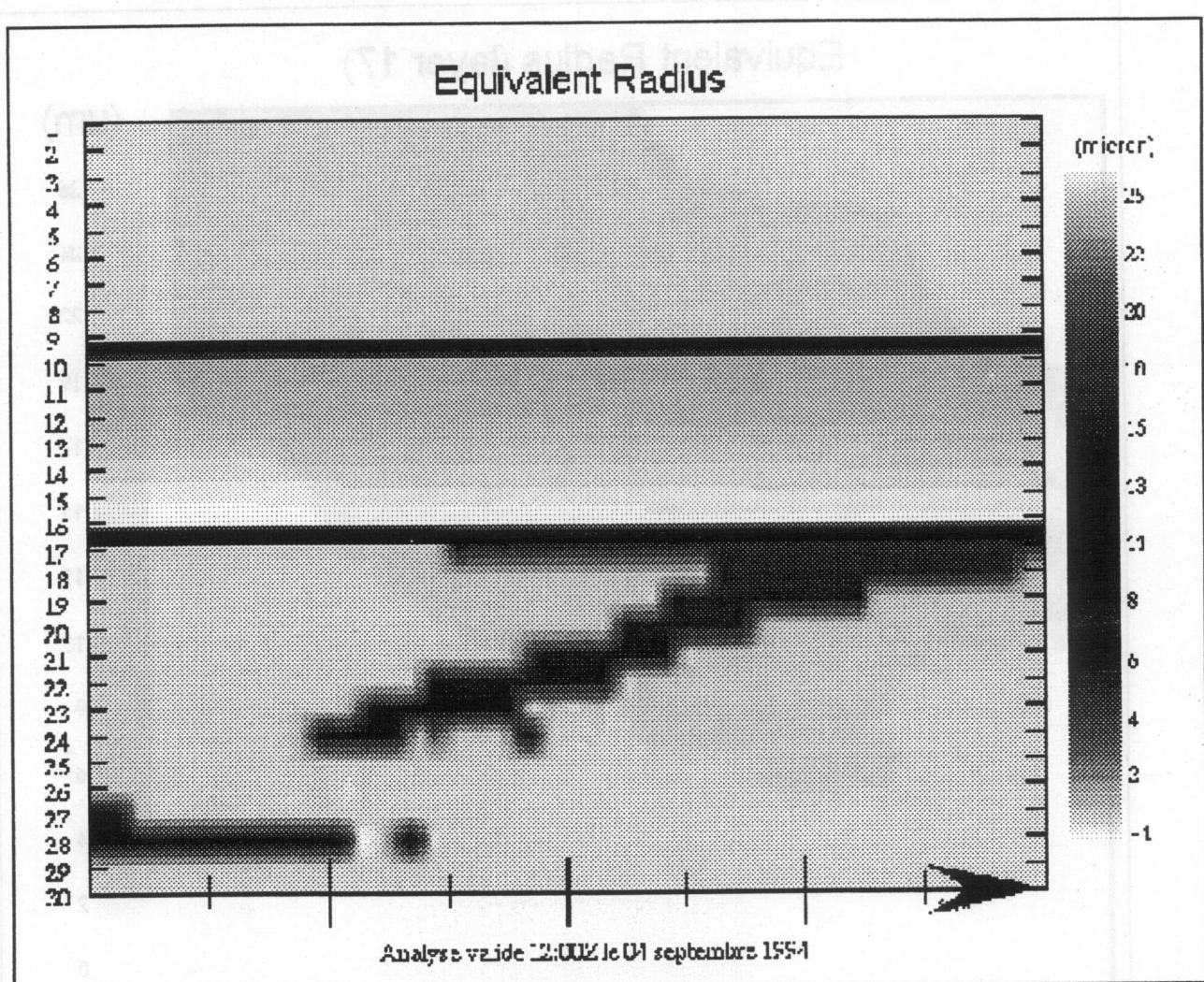


Figure 10. Cloud equivalent radius along the track. Pink color is ice while blue is liquid water.

Temperature and Cloudiness (layer 19)

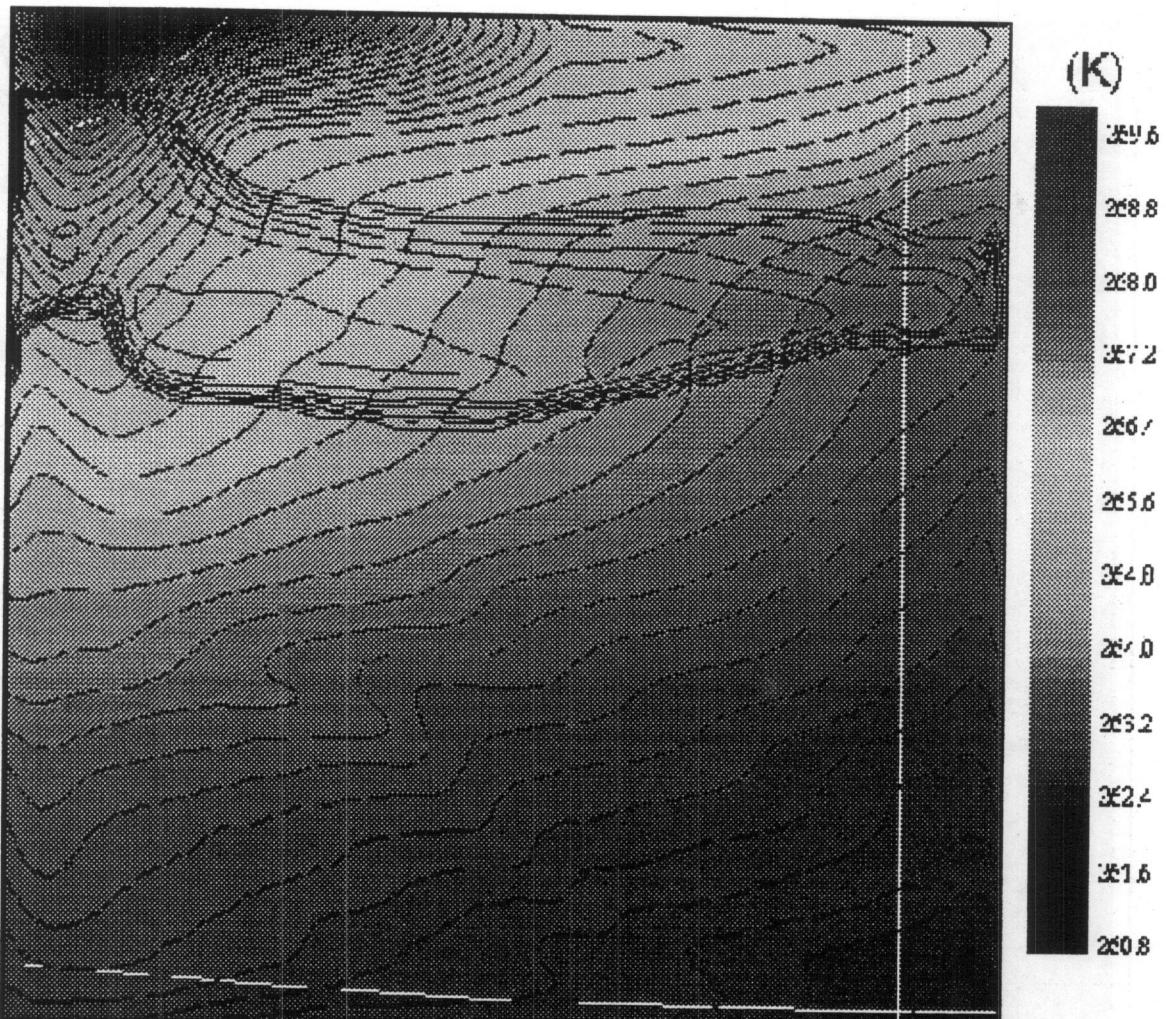


Figure 12. Superposition of temperature field and cloudiness around 4.6 km

Temperature and Cloudiness (layer 22)

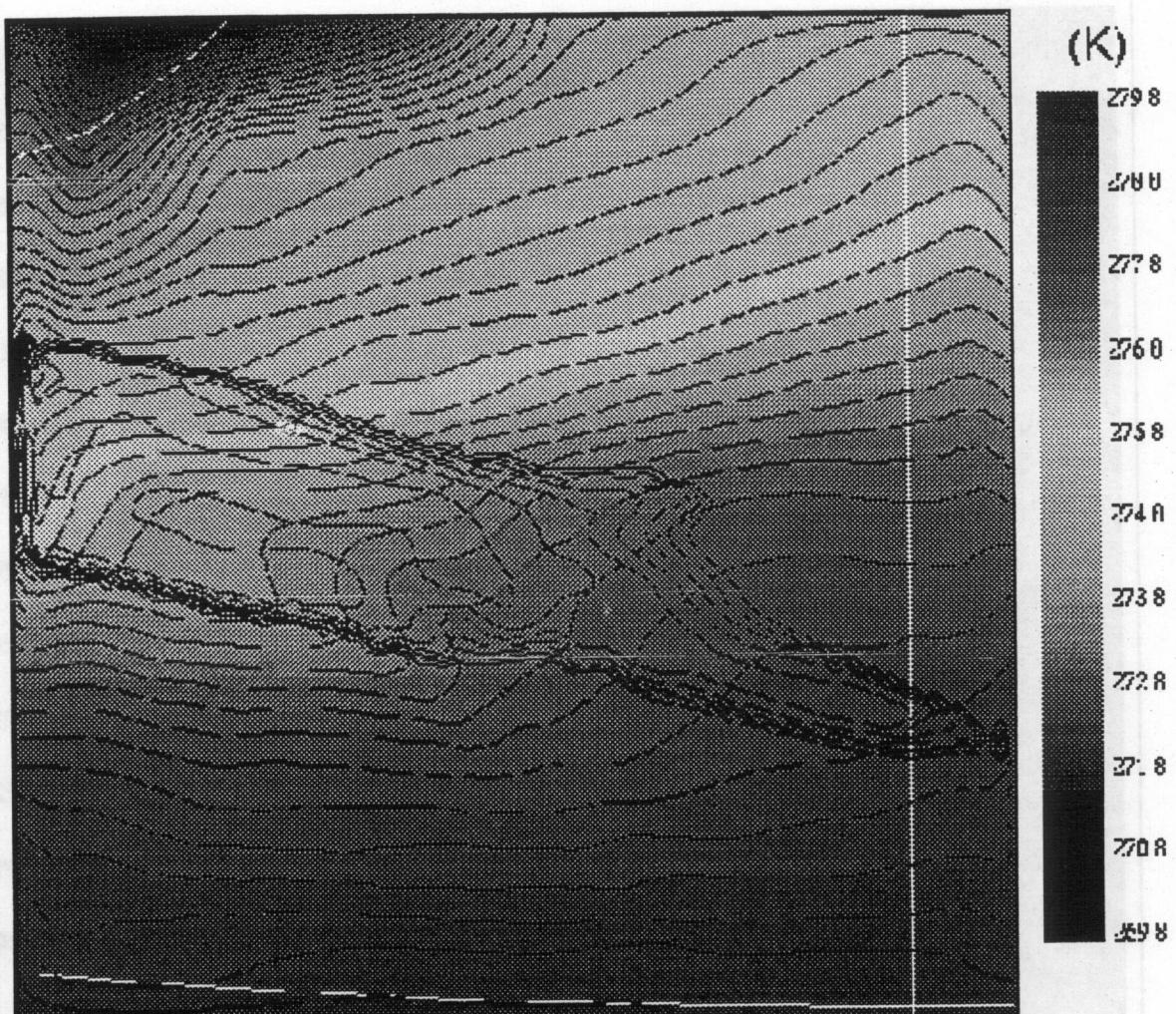


Figure 13. Same as figure 12 but at 2.7 km.

Temperature and Cloudiness (layer 26)

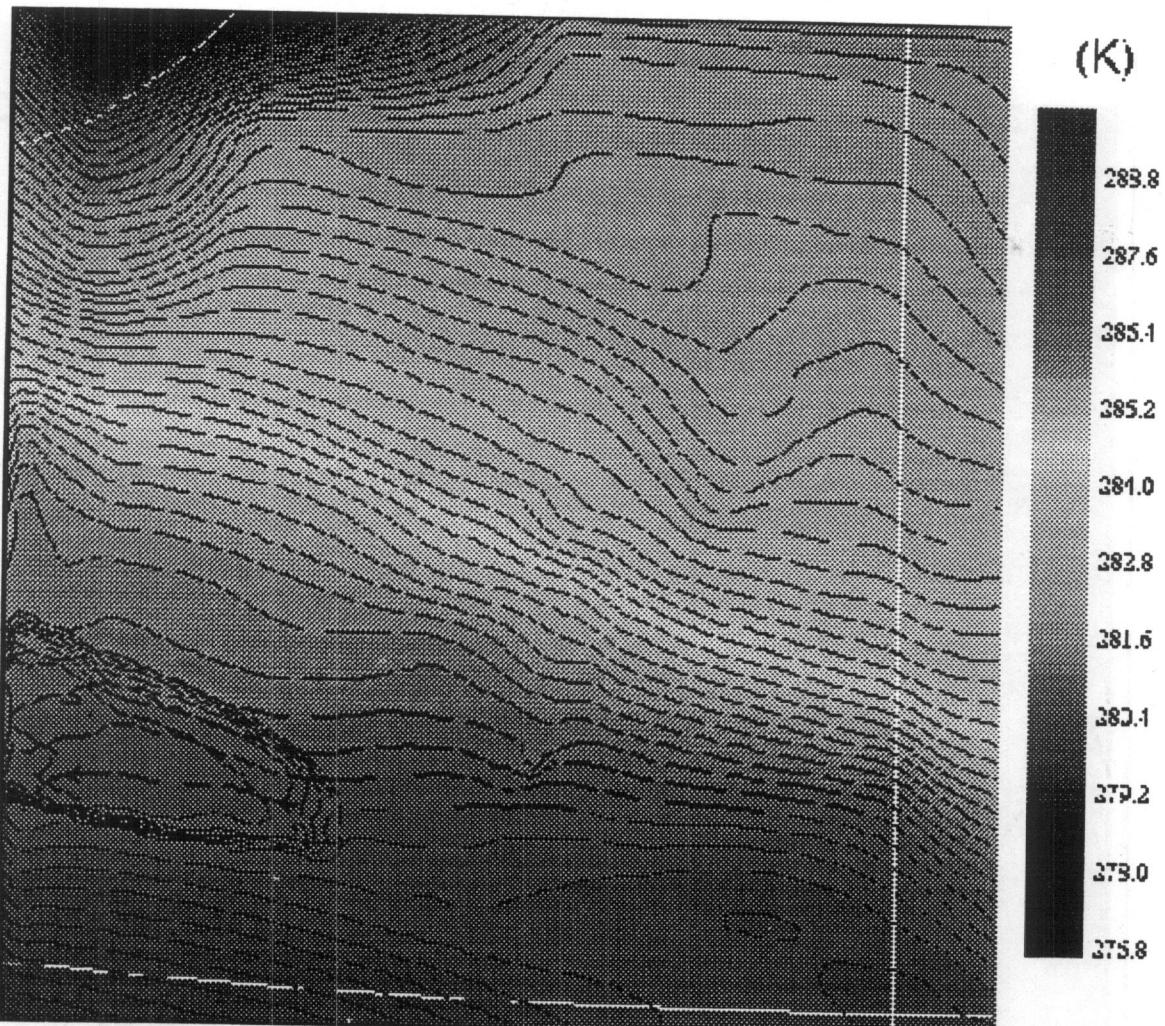
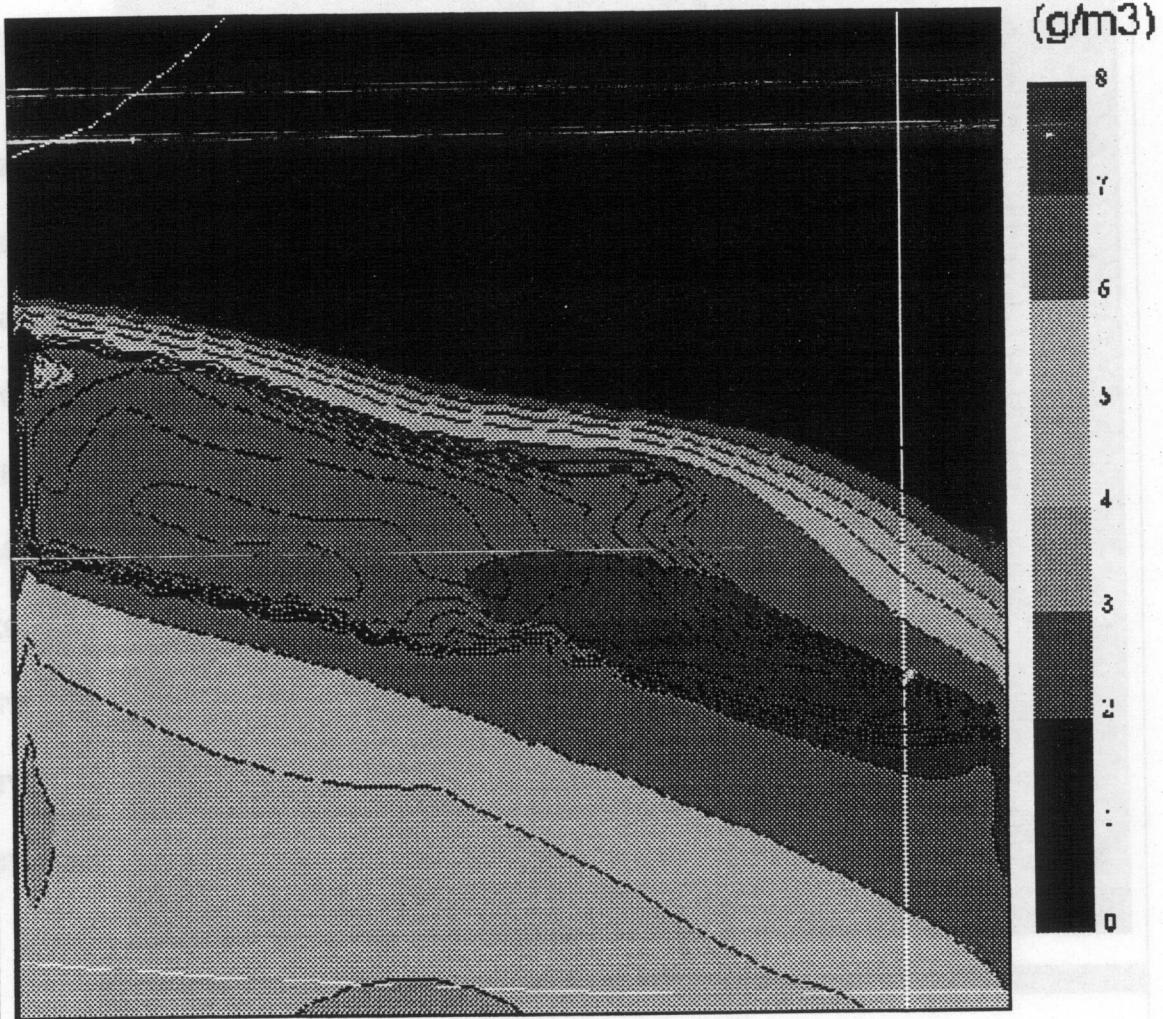


Figure 14. Same as figure 12 but at 1.1 km.

Temperature and Cloudiness (level 56)

Specific Humidity and Cloudiness



III-A- 22- C- 0-V 200Z 04sep94- TTP07km III-A- 22- C-V12 00Z 04sep94- TTP07km

Figure 15. Horizontal change of atmospheric moisture (g.m³) near the warm front.

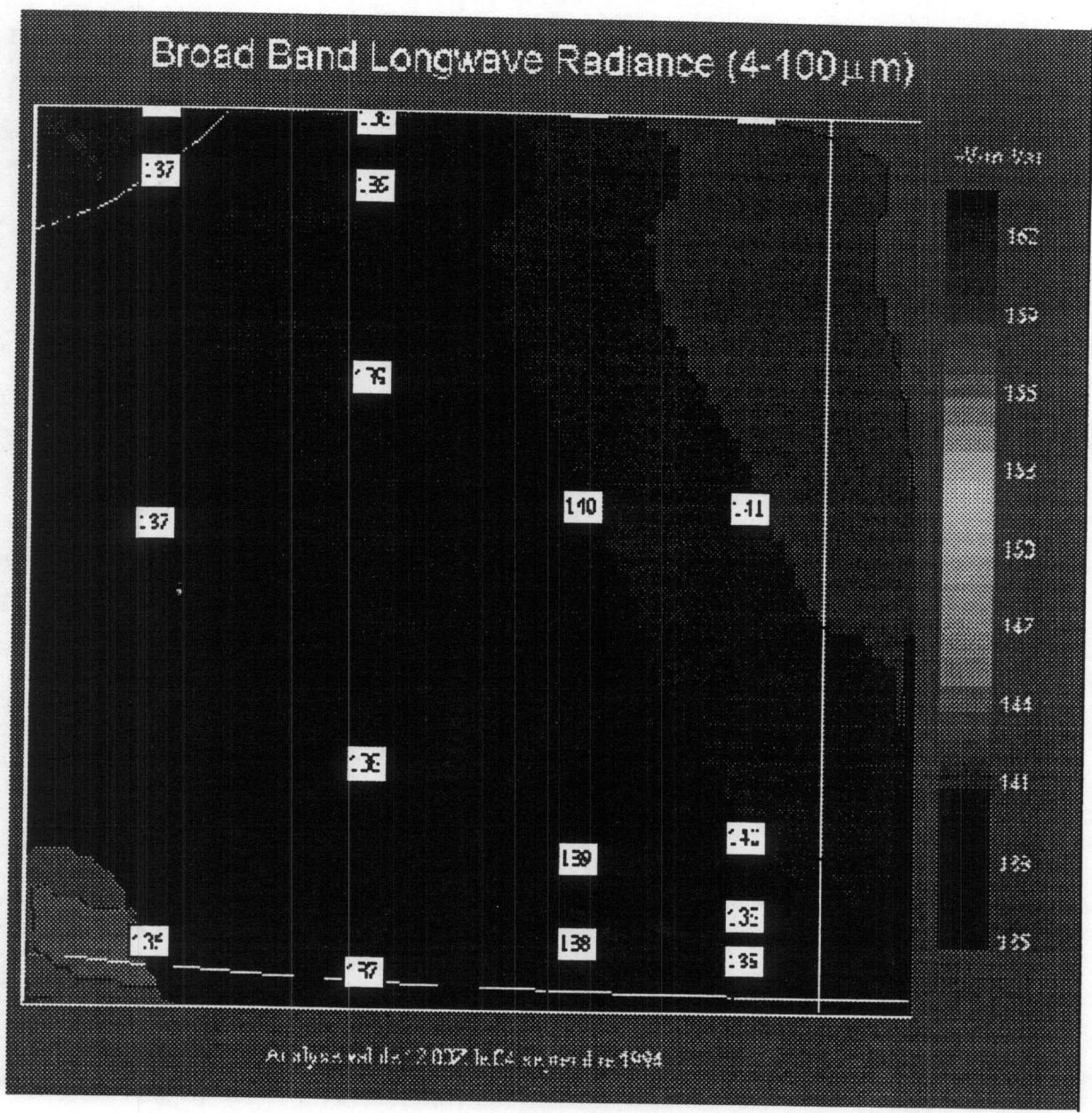


Figure 19. Total IR broad band radiance at the satellite track.

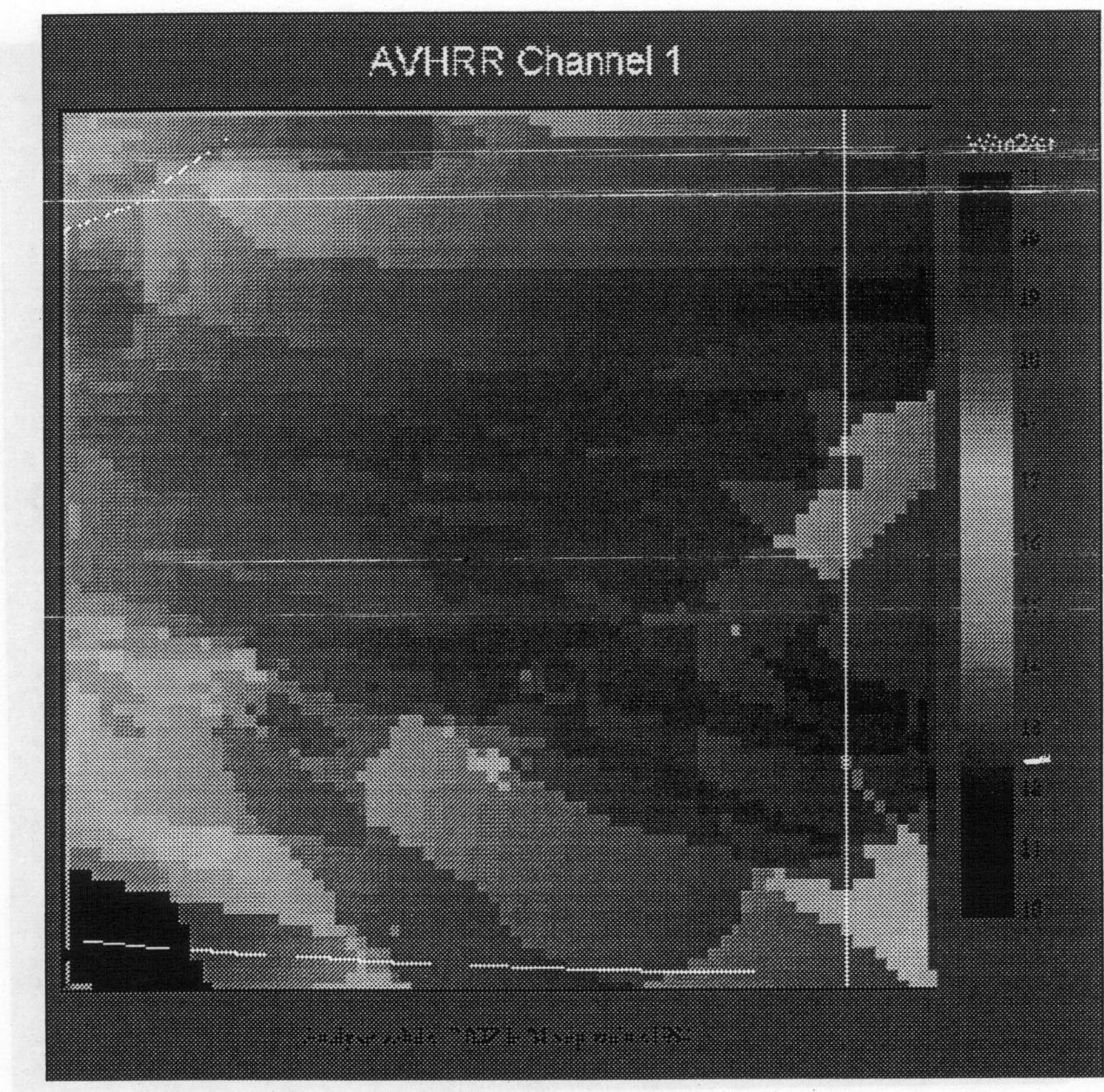


Figure 20. AVHRR channel 1 radiance at the satellite track.

AVHRR Ch.1 and Total Column LWC

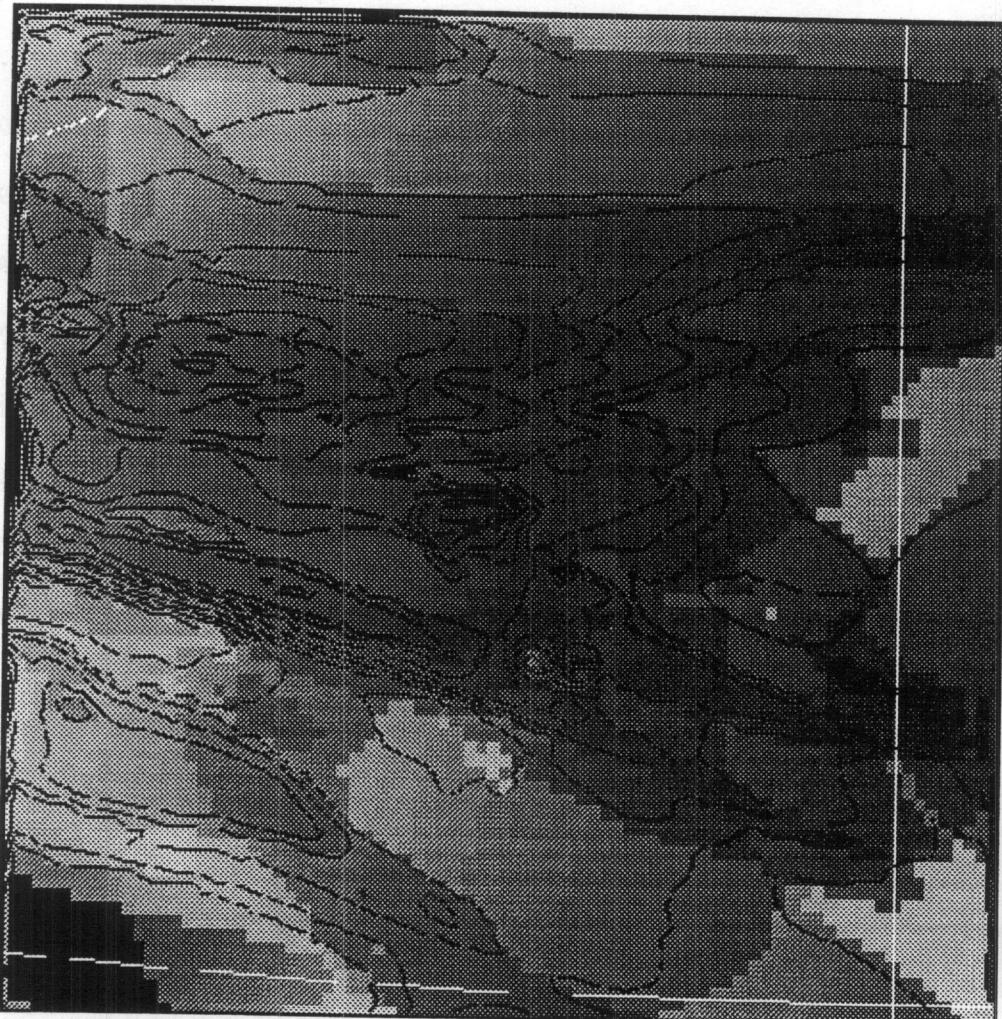
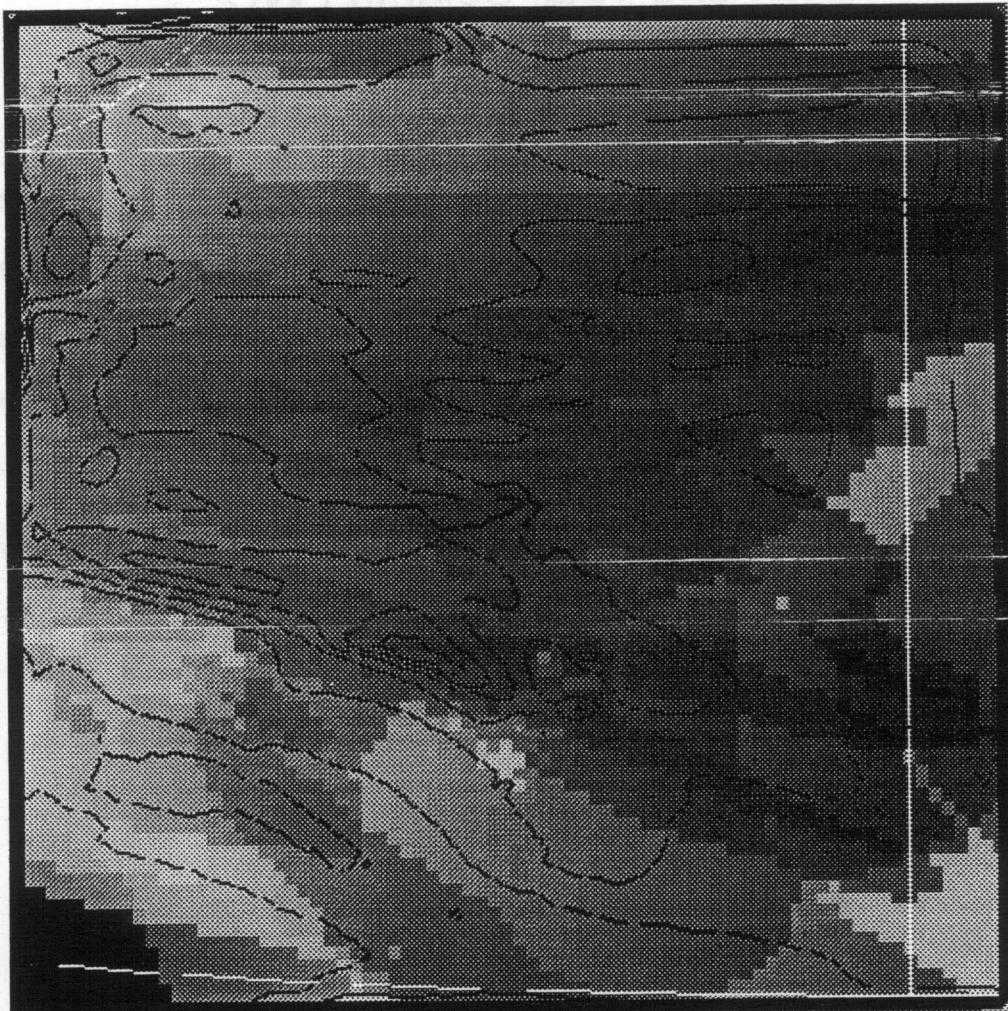


Figure 22. Comparison of AVHRR channel 1 radiance (fig. 20) to total liquid water content.

AVHRR Ch.1 and Total Column Precipitation



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Figure 23. As figure 22 but for precipitation

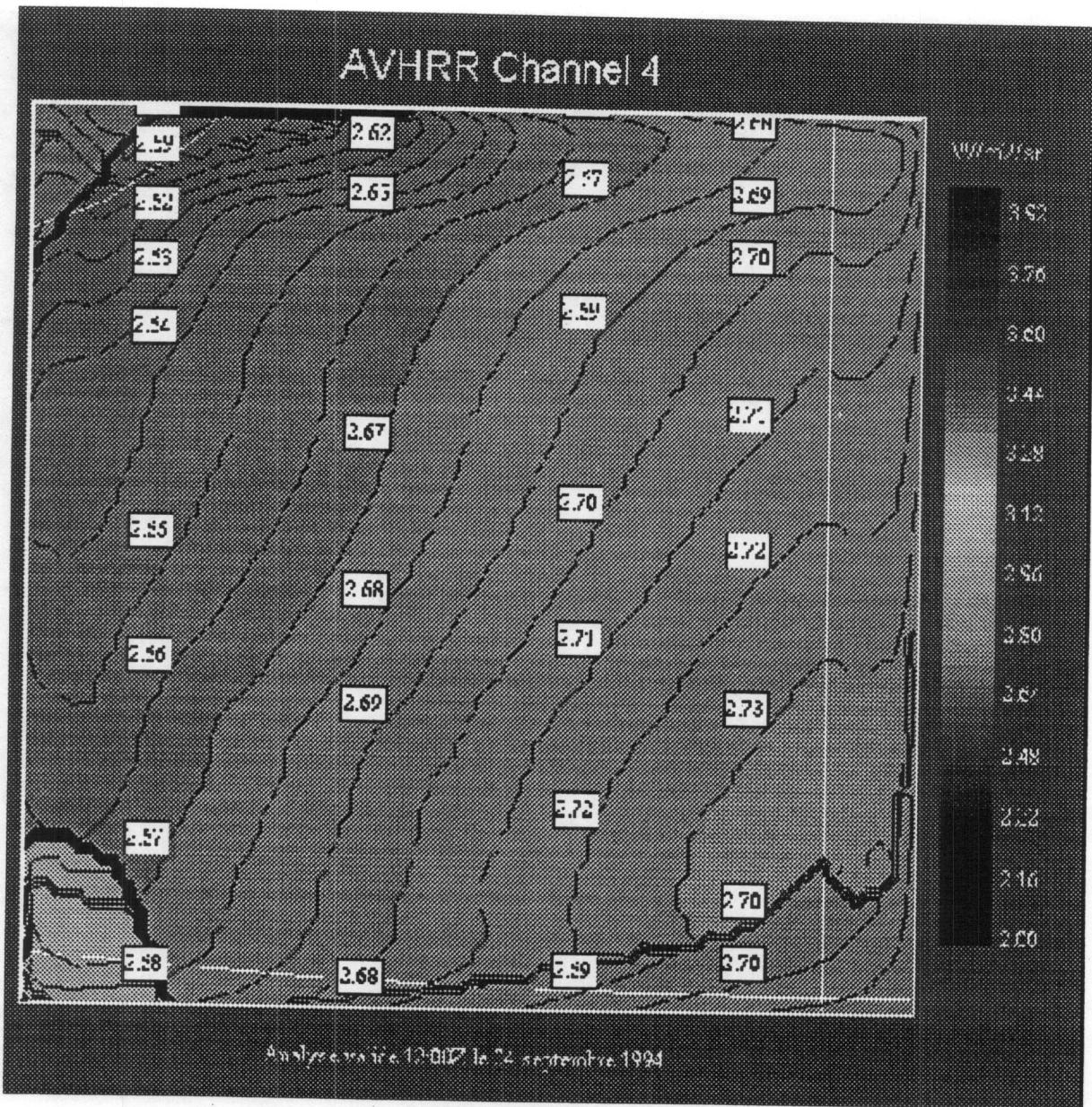


Figure 25. AVHRR channel 4 in the IR at the satellite.

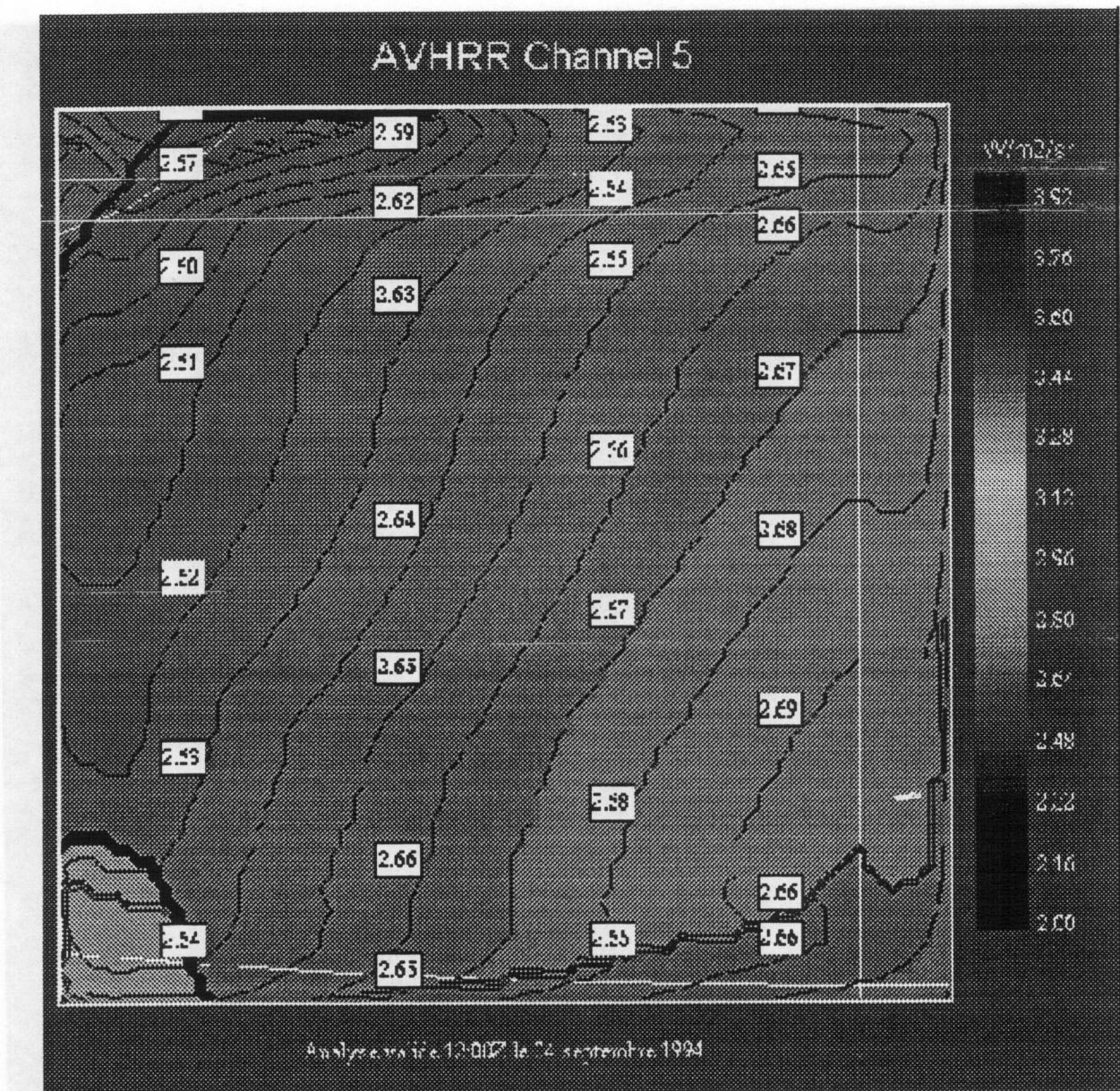
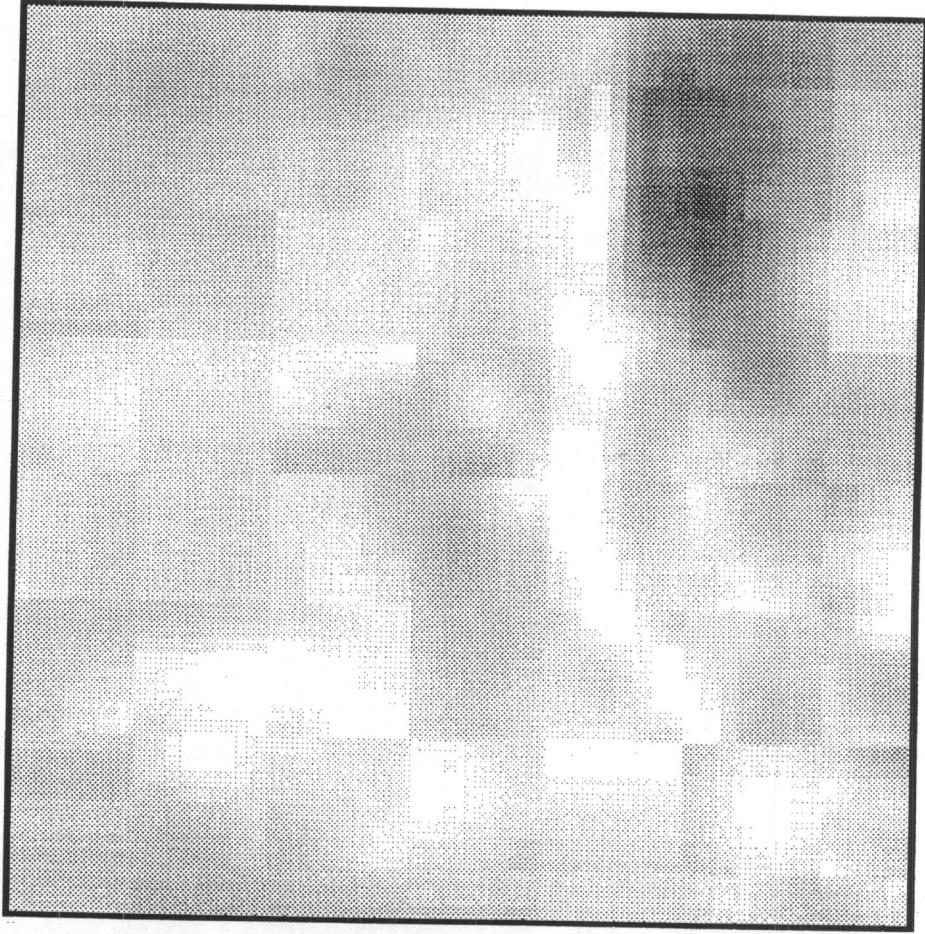
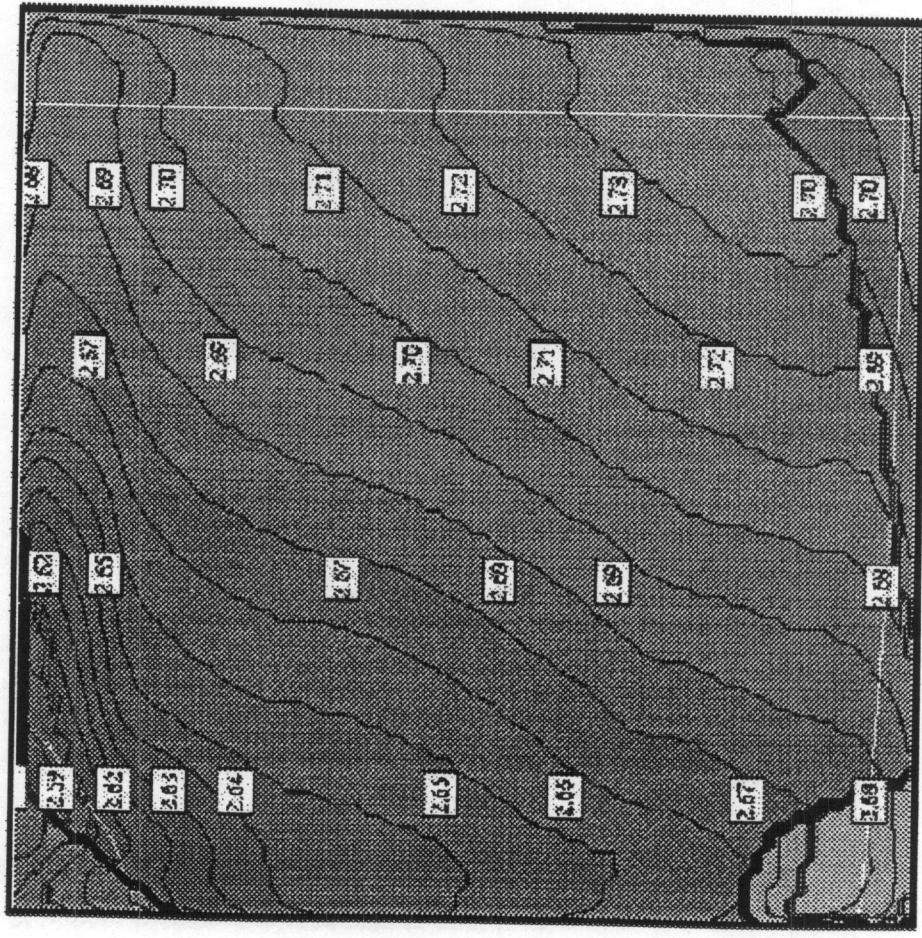
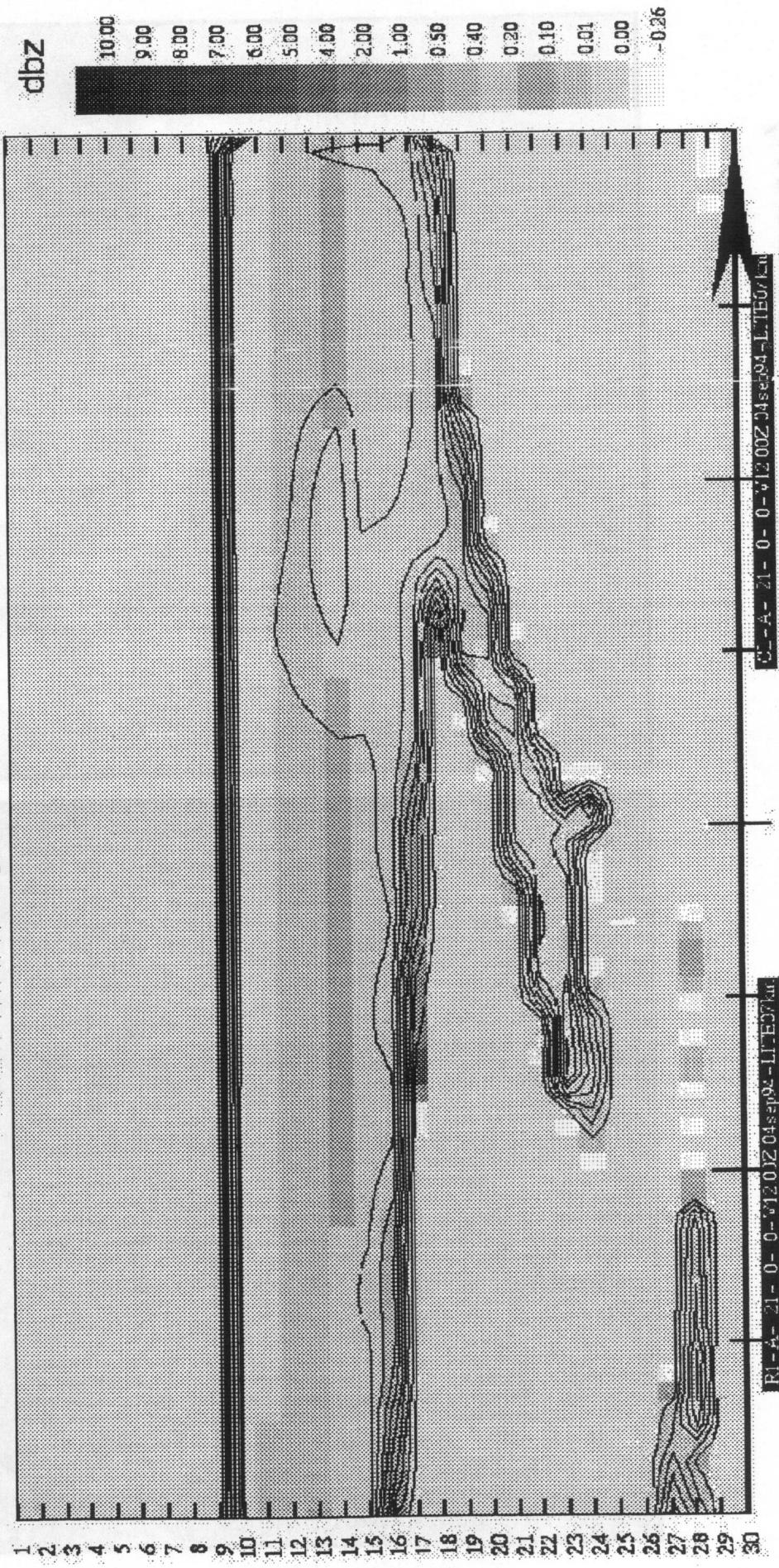


Figure 26. AVHRR channel 5 (IR) at the satellite. This satellite image was taken on September 24, 1994.

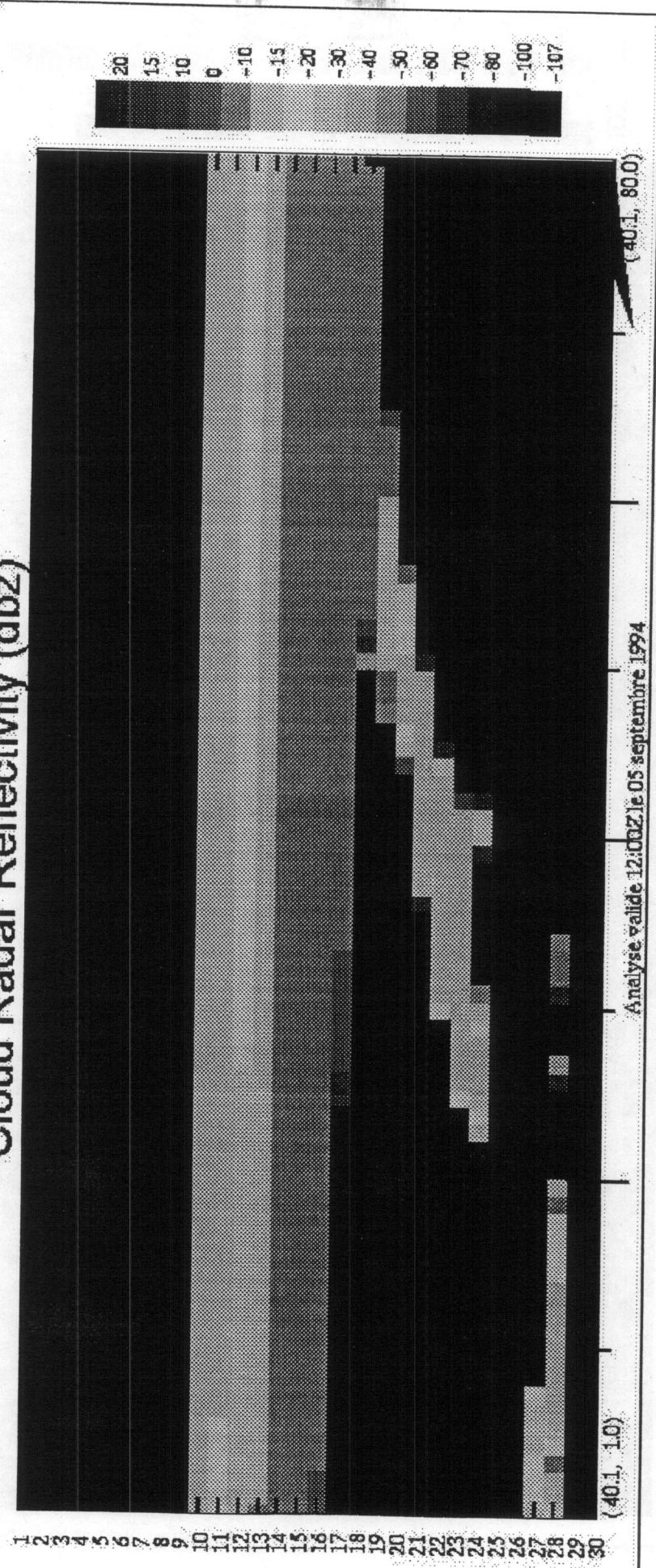
Comparison of the Medium Grid (7km resolution)



Radar Reflectivity and Cloud Cover



Cloud Radar Reflectivity (dbz)



Radar and Lider Signals with Background Cloudiness



Summary

Part 1 : Input Data Set

- The Canadian Regional Climate Model is used in forecast mode to generate samples of the atmospheric states applicable to drive the SYPAI simulator on realistic conditions.
- A cloud microphysics model is applied to generate cloud properties from the RCM prognostic variables.
- The cloud system is dependent on physical process formation : radiation, condensation, water phase, precipitation, entrainment-detainment, transport, evaporation, . . . and scale dependent processes : convection, stratiform Rossby wave, mesoscale systems, orographic induced clouds, . . .
- A new step in the climate model includes aerosol microphysics (NARCM) that is interactive with cloud microphysics and radiation.

Part 2 : SYPAI Simulation Tool

- For efficiency, SYPAI is run in two steps
 - * STREAMER/DISORT to compute spectral radiance field
 - * Passive and active instruments in forward mode to compute instrument signals.
- Each scene can be recomputed quickly for any instrument setup scenario.
- This project can lead us to the simulation of a comprehensive aerosol-cloud-radiation synergy study for which the LITE experiment shows encouraging results and significance for climate.

I. THE UNDERLYING SCIENCE

ANALYSIS OF ERM SYNERGY BY USE OF CLARA OBSERVATIONS

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Analysis of ERM synergy by use of CLARA observations

Andre van Lammeren



Contents

- Goal of this study
- Introduction to CLARA
- Contents of the study
- Status (recent results)
- Concluding remarks



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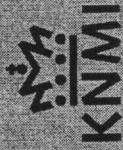
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Goal of this study

.....This project aims to optimize the sensor synergy.
More specifically, the synergy between CPR and lidar
will be investigated. The observations will be used to
derive macro- and if possible also microphysical cloud
properties.





CLARA Instrumentation

- Lidars: 1064, 532, 906 nm (RIVM, KNMI, ESTEC)
- Radar: 3 GHz (IRCTR/TUD)
- Microwave Radiometer: 20/30/50GHz (TUE, ESTEC)
- IR-radiometer: 9.6 - 11.5 micro m (KNMI)
- Radiosondes (KNMI, IRCTR/TUD, TUE)
- GPS-receiver (TUD/Geodesy)
- Visual and IR-video (KNMI, TNO)
- Cloud Detection System (KNMI)
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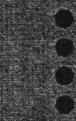
CLARA Instrumentation II

- Aircraft
 - FSSP (ECN)
- Satellite
 - AVHRR (KNMI)
 - Meteosat (KNMI)
 - ATSR (RAL, KNMI)
 - Gome (KNMI, SRON)

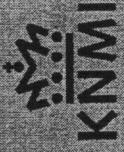
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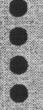
CLARA-campaigns in 1996



Koninklijk Nederlands Meteorologisch Instituut

Period	Nr. of Flights
CLARA-I	3
CLARA-II	7
CLARA-III	6
Total	16

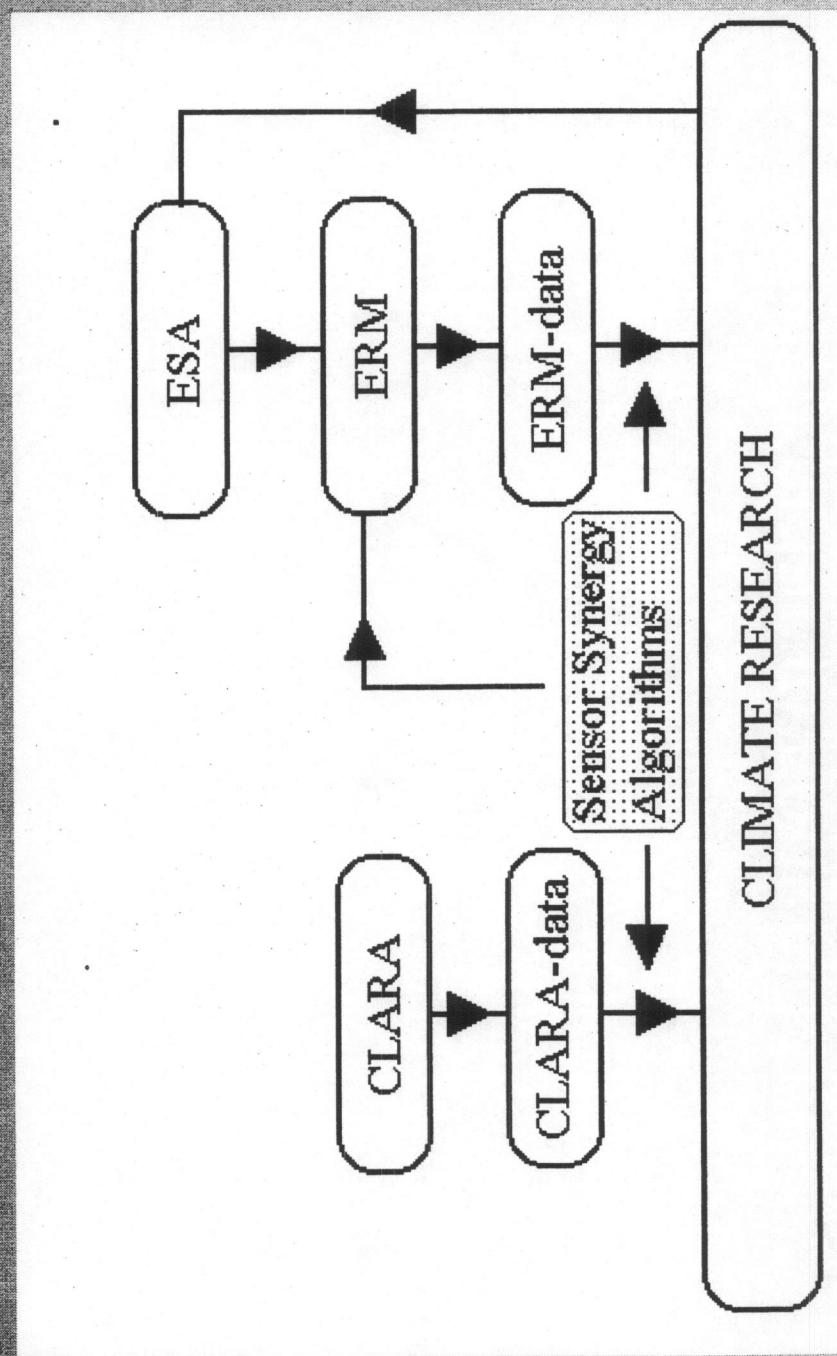
Total of 43 flight hours



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Research Strategy



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Preparation of input data set

Review of ERM

Review of CLARA data set

- Radar, Lidar, aircraft, satellite

Cases are selected

Study Note: "Description of selected CLARA data sets
for the support of ERM",
2 months





Study for selected cloud scenarios

Derive macroscopic cloud properties from individual instruments

• Derive macroscopic cloud properties from combined instruments and possibilities to derive microscopic properties

study note: “Description of selected CLARA data sets for the support of ERM”
4 months





Study of cloud variability

- Study of cloud variability on basis of single instrument observations
- Study of cloud variability on basis of temporal/spatial separation
- Study note: "Study of cloud variability"
- 4 months
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Project Team

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Contract manager
Ms. I. de Wit

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- Mr. A. Apituley (RIVM)
Lidar specialist
- Mr. A. Feijt (KNMI)
Passive satellite RS specialist

Project scientists:

- Dr. D. Donovan (KNMI)
- Dr. H. Bloemink (KNMI)

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Recent results

Some examples of the selected cases will be shown



Concluding remarks

Combination with other projects

Work is done in cooperation with H. Russchenberg
(RTR/TUD) and A. Apituley (RIVM)

• Goal is to optimize sensor synergy for the ERM



I. THE UNDERLYING SCIENCE

**STUDY ON CRITICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR A
CLOUD PROFILING RADAR**

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**Study on Critical Requirements
for a Cloud Profiling Radar**

(ESTEC Contract 11327/94/NL/CN)

- ESA CR(P)-4108 -

"Radiation Day", 1 September 1998

GKSS, Geesthacht

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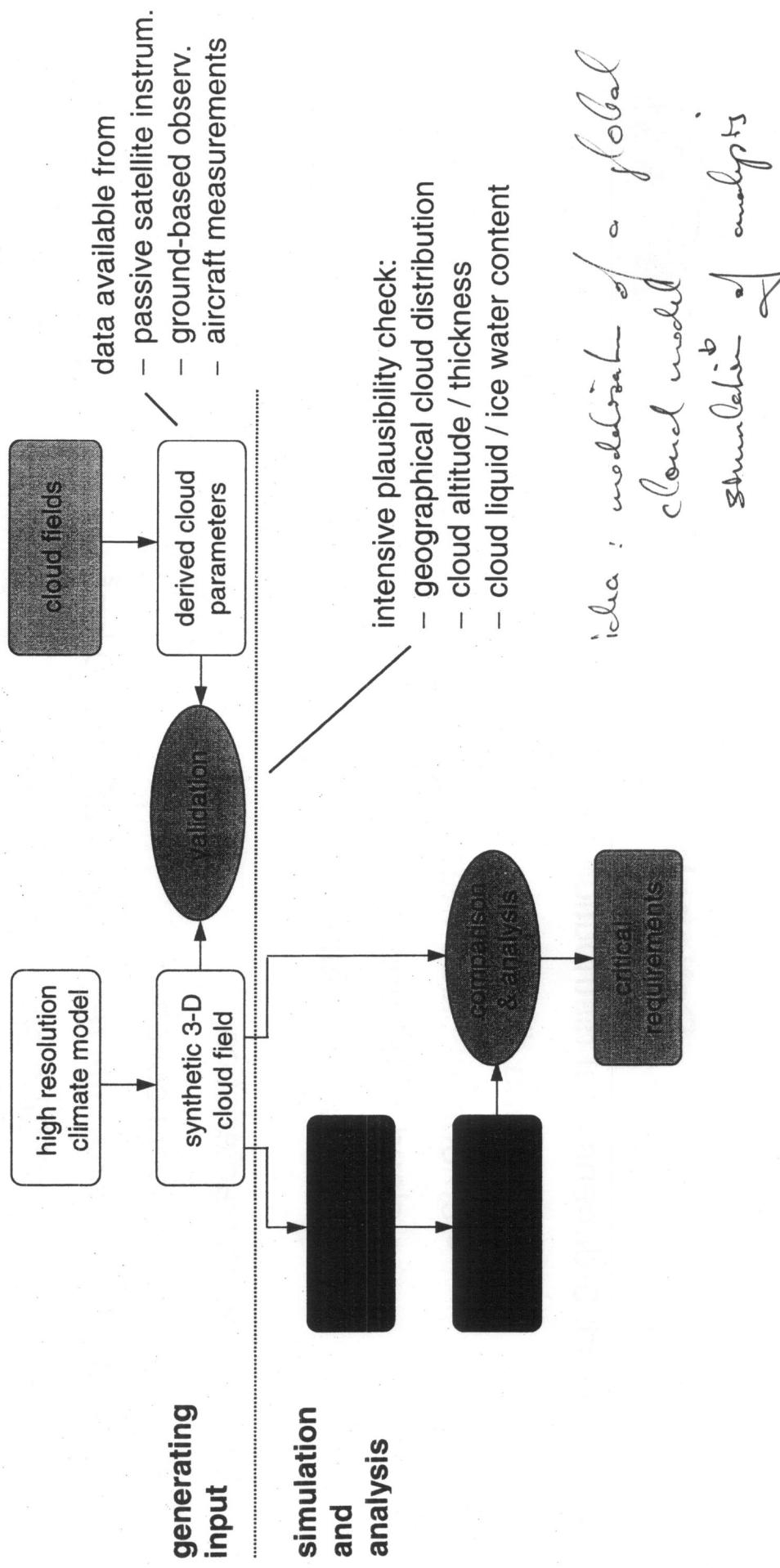
MPBT, Montreal

Ralph Girard
Peter Park

Purpose of the study

- Assess the capability of a space-borne cloud profiling radar to retrieve cloud boundaries (incl. number of layers) on a global scale.
- Estimate scientific (technical) requirements for a cloud radar mission, esp. for
 - radar sensitivity (reflectivity threshold);
 - sampling in space and time.

Overall Approach of the Study



Rationale

Required: 3-dimensional distribution of

- 3D cloud distribution
- amount of cloud water
- cloud water phase
- absolute humidity

Demanded characteristics

- global coverage
- horizontal resolution $\leq 250 \times 250 \text{ km}^2$
- vertical resolution $\leq 500 \text{ m}$
- time steps: capture roughly the daily cycle
- period: full month

⇒ is not yet available from observations nor can be interpolated in a realistic manner (consistently) from available observations!

Data Source: ECHAM4 Climate Model



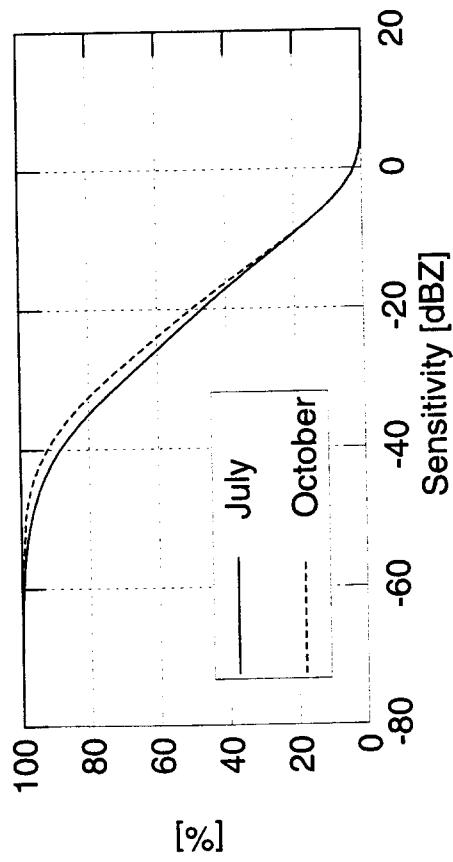
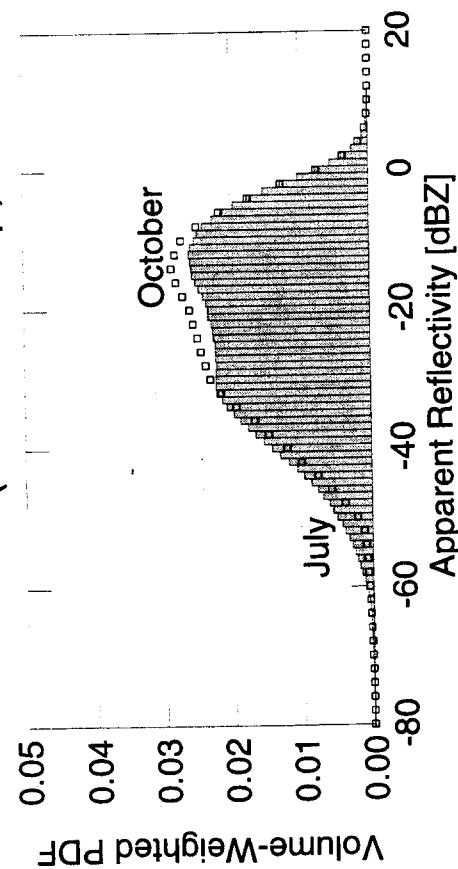
- Forced by measured SST and observed sea ice limits.
- Conserving the total water mass (all phases).
- High resolution run (T106) for the period 1977-1986.

meridional resol.:	$\approx 1.125^\circ$ (Gaussian grid)
zonal resolution:	1.125° (equidistant grid)
vertical resolution:	19 uneven layers ($<300\text{m}$ to $\approx 2\text{km}$)
time resolution:	6 h
selected period:	1 summer month, 1 autumn month (July 1985, October 1985)

- Prognostic variables of the ECHAM4 model are:
 - vorticity
 - divergence
 - temperature
 - surface pressure
 - water vapour
 - cloud water (!)

Threshold Effect: Ideal Sampling

Apparent (Attenuated) Reflectivity (max. overlap)



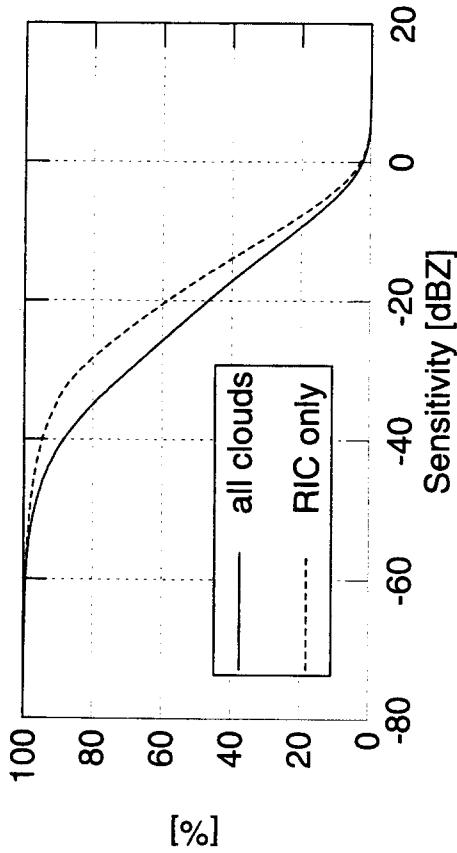
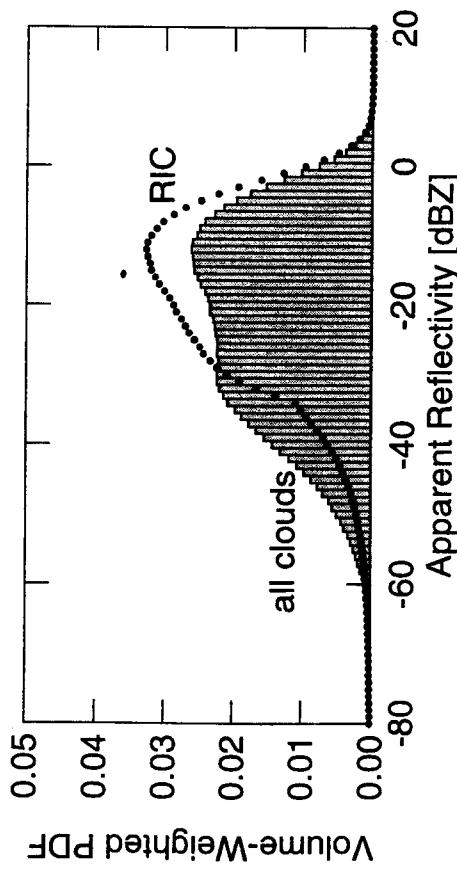
Cloud volume fraction exceeding a given apparent reflectivity:

reflectivity	July	October
-20 dBZ	47%	50%
-30 dBZ	69%	75%
-40 dBZ	88%	92%

Radiatively Important Clouds (RIC)



Apparent Reflectivity



RIC identification depends on short wave optical thickness and area of cloud cover:

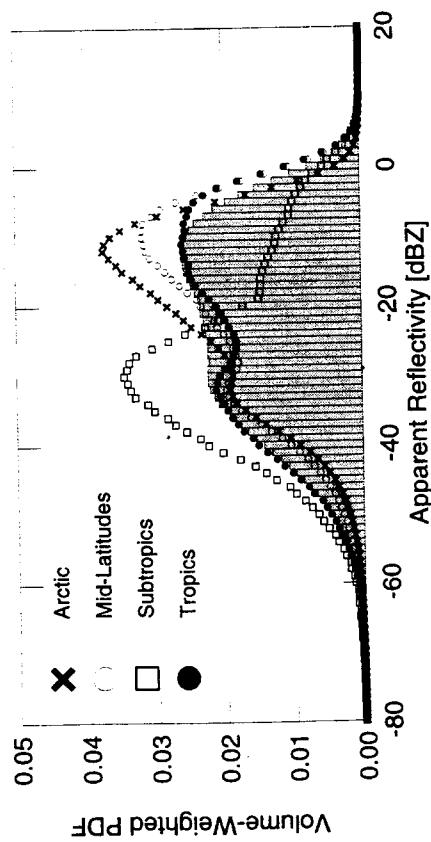
1. $\delta_{sw} > 0.05$
2. cloud cover $b > b_{crit}$

Detectable cloud volume fraction:

threshold	July			October	
	all	RIC	all	RIC	
-20 dBZ	47%	59%	50%	60%	
-30 dBZ	69%	84%	75%	86%	
-40 dBZ	88%	95%	92%	95%	

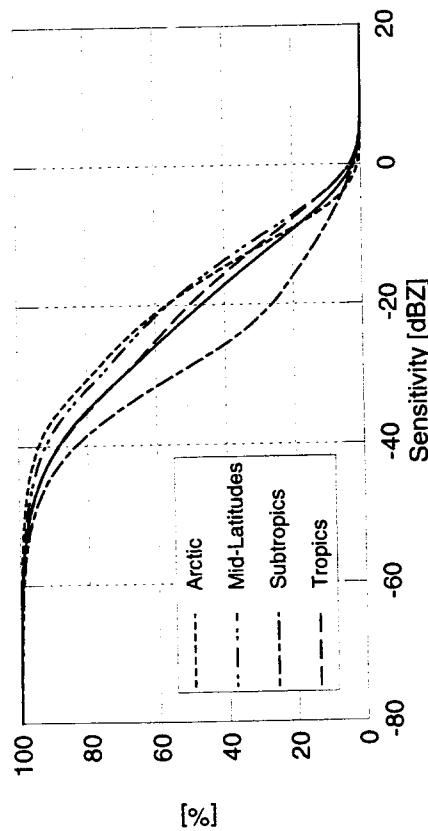
Latitude bands

Apparent Reflectivity



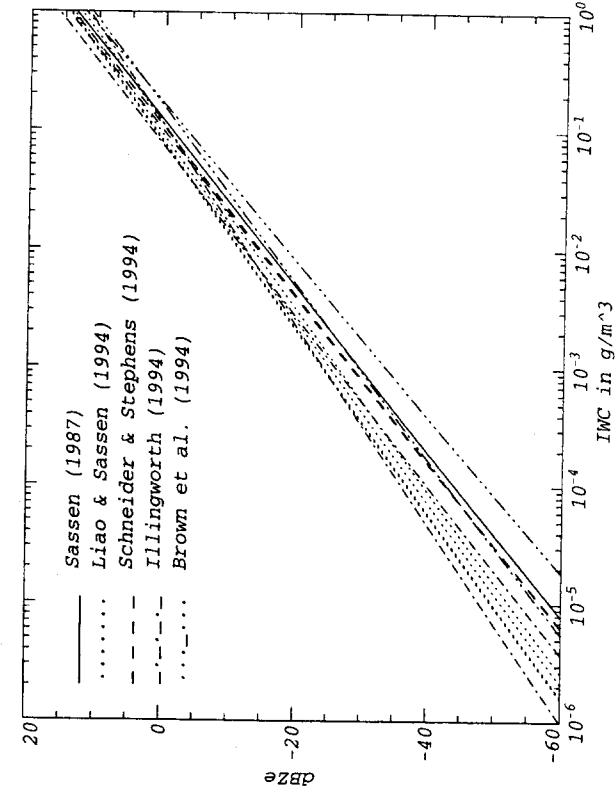
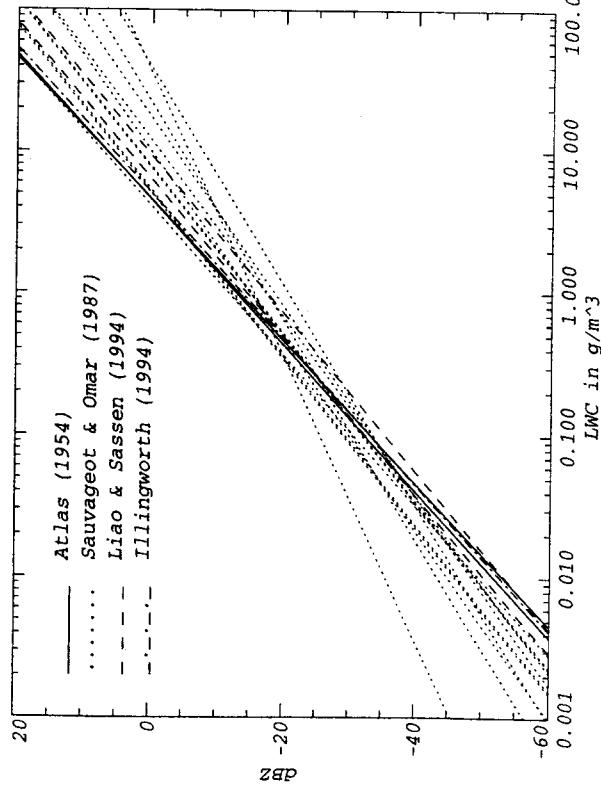
detectable cloud volume fraction:

Region		Latitude		
Tropics		0° - 15° N		
subtropical Ocean		15° S - 30° S		
Northern Mid-Lat.		30° N - 60° N		
Arctic		60° N - 90° N		



Uncertainty in the CWC-Z relation

Relationship between cloud liquid / ice water content
and radar reflectivity:



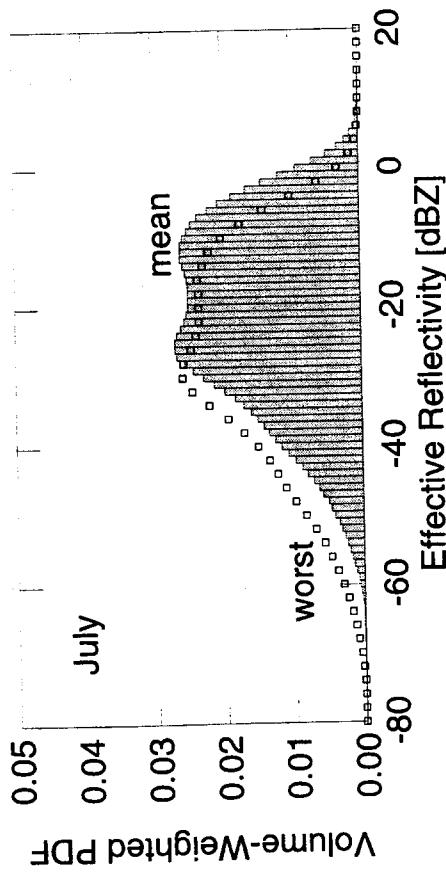
⇒ A mean of lots of existing Z-LWC/IWC relations was regarded
as most justified.

Effect of uncertainty in the CWC-Z relation



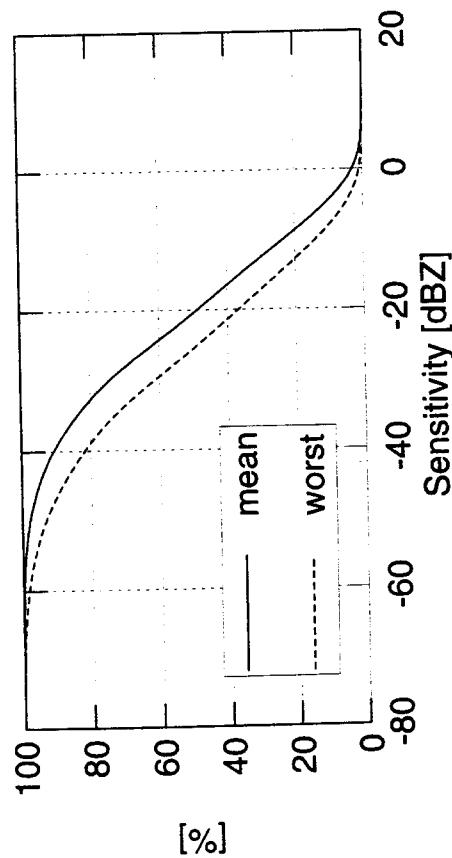
Effective Reflectivity

(July, global)



cloud volume fraction exceeding a certain sensitivity threshold

threshold	July			October		
	Δ_{abs}	Δ_{dBZ}	Δ_{abs}	Δ_{dBZ}	Δ_{abs}	Δ_{dBZ}
-20 dBZ	12%	5 dBZ	13%	5 dBZ	13%	5 dBZ
-30 dBZ	13%	6 dBZ	13%	6 dBZ	13%	6 dBZ
-40 dBZ	9%	7 dBZ	8%	7 dBZ	8%	7 dBZ



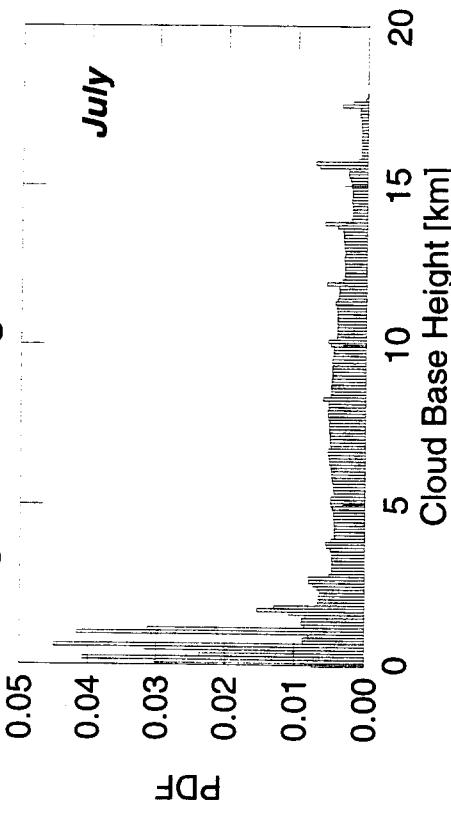
Problem of Blind Layer

For a space-borne CPR, the 1st range gate above ground will be inaccessible because of ground clutter.

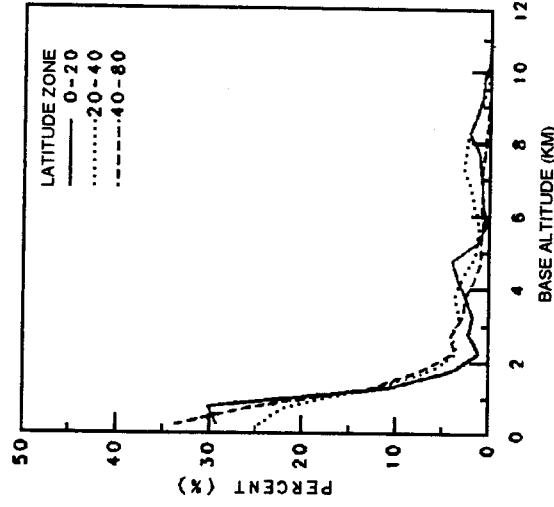
Distribution of cloud base height

Generated Data Sets

grid-average cloud base height above ground level



Observational Data



≈10% of all cloud bases below 500 m

rawin sonde data (global)
collected by Poore et al. (1995)

Sampling Effect

Orbit parameters used for simulations

	orbit #1	orbit #2
repeat cycle	14 days	22 days
altitude	583 km	603 km
orbit	sun synchronous	
frequency	94 GHz	
range resolution	500 m	
footprint size	1 km	
integration length	10 km	

No threshold !!

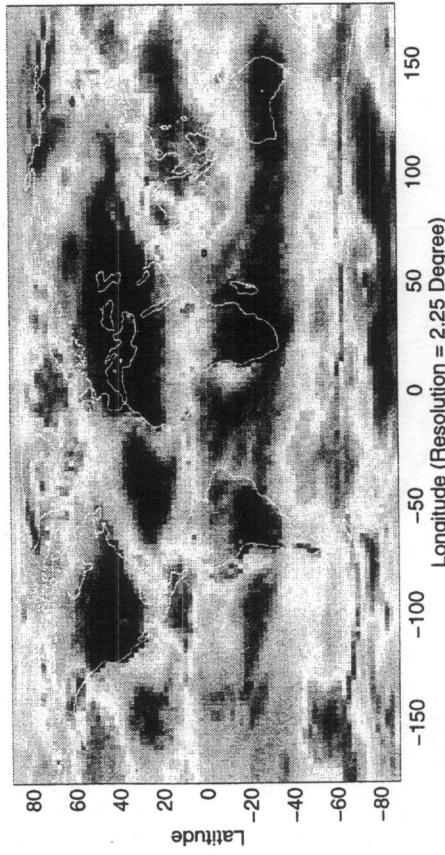
Main question: *Is the sampled subset a satisfying representation of the input data set?*

Monthly Mean Fractional Cloud Cover

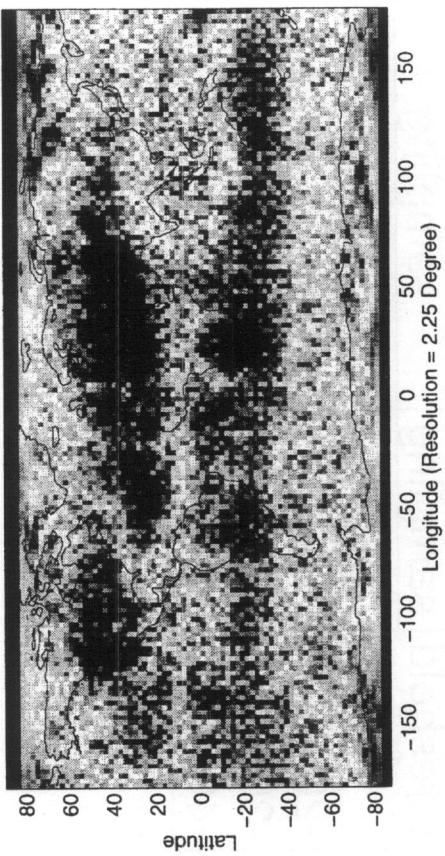
Simulated space-borne cloud radar observations for various thresholds
(July, orbit #1)



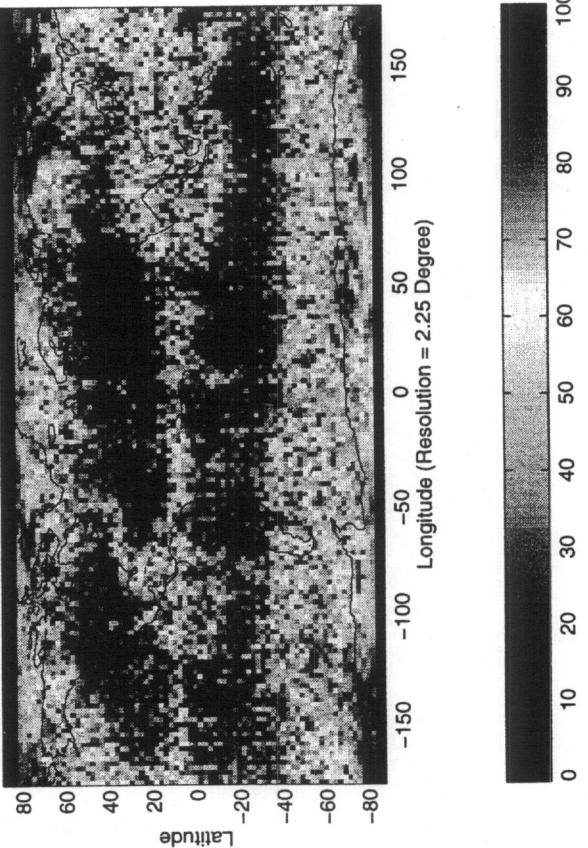
Input data set (mean=47%)



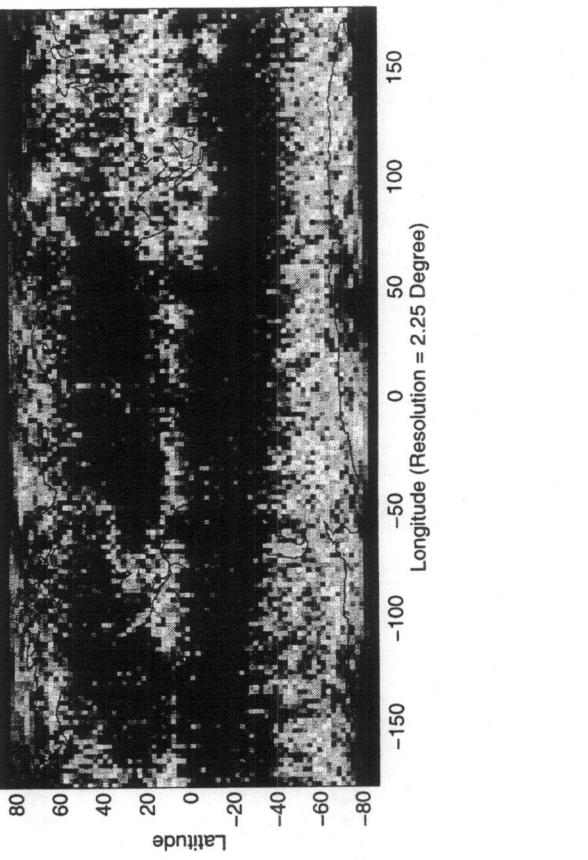
-40 dBZ threshold (mean= 39%)



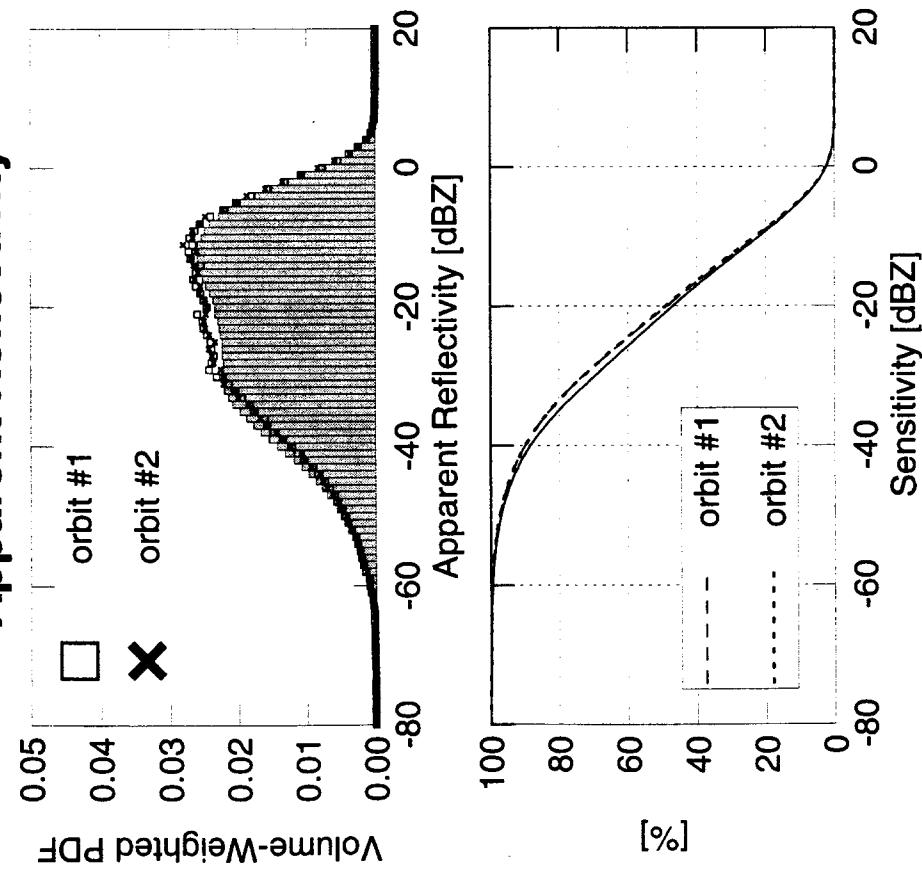
-30 dBZ threshold (mean=33%)



-20 dBZ threshold (mean= 22%)



Sampled & Input Apparent Reflectivity



detected cloud volume fraction:

threshold	ideal sampling input	realistic sampling	
		orbit #1	orbit #2
-20 dBZ	47%	49%	49%
-30 dBZ	69%	73%	73%
-40 dBZ	88%	90%	90%

Conclusions



- Presently, no satellite data product resolves the vertical cloud distribution with sufficient resolution to derive fluxes within the atmosphere and at the surface with the desired accuracy.
- ⇒ To include a cloud radar as a high priority candidate into the list of potential elements for an ERM is strongly recommended.
- Sensitivity limit better than -30 dBZ would be desirable from the scientific point of view. However, for any threshold between -30 and -40 dBZ, the obtained 3D cloud distribution would be more comprehensive and more valuable than those presently available.
- In the given height range, different polar orbits would provide similar cloud radar results, hence it is recommended that an optimised orbit should be selected on the basis of a synergy study for the total mission. Small angle scanning would not improve the ability to sample a representative subset of data.

I. THE UNDERLYING SCIENCE

**STUDY OF THE CRITICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR
A CLOUD RADAR**

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**STUDY OF THE CRITICAL REQUIREMENTS
FOR A CLOUD RADAR**

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1.
STUDY ON THE CRITICAL REQUIREMENTS OF A CLOUD RADAR
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OVERVIEW

CLOUDS ARE A CRITICAL ELEMENT IN THE EARTH'S RADIATION BUDGET

LOW CLOUDS REFLECT VISIBLE SOLAR RADIATION -

COOL THE CLIMATE BY ABOUT -30 W m^{-2}

HIGH CLOUDS ARE COLD AND RADIATE LESS IN THE INFRA RED

BACK TO SPACE - WARM THE CLIMATE BY $+30 \text{ W m}^{-2}$.

NET EFFECT OF CLOUDS IS A COOLING OF ABOUT -20 W m^{-2}

(DIRECT FORCING OF DOUBLED CO_2 WARMING OF $+4 \text{ W m}^{-2}$.

GLOBAL VERTICAL PROFILE OF CLOUDS CRUCIAL

SATELLITE RADIOMETERS SEE THE TOPS OF CLOUDS
- GROUND BASED CLOUD BOTTOM.

NEED AN ACTIVE RADAR TO MEASURE CLOUD VERTICAL PROFILE

CLOUDS ARE WEAK RADAR TARGETS (50dB < LIGHT RAIN)

USE HIGH FREQUENCY RADAR TO GET MORE RETURN SIGNAL

94/78 GHz RADAR - LOW EARTH ORBIT - 2m ANTENNA - 1Km FOOTPRINT

ATTENUATION BY WATER VAPOUR AND CLOUDS THEMSELVES

**QUESTION (JCMM) - WHAT SENSITIVITY TO DETECT ALL RADIATIVELY
IMPORTANT CLOUDS?**

**QUESTION (ESSC) - 1Km SWATH, LOW EARTH ORBIT - VISITS 250Km BOX -
ONCE A DAY - IS THIS A REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE OF CLOUDS?**

QUESTION (MMS) - HARDWARE DESIGN TO MAXIMISE SENSITIVITY?

EARLY STUDIES: SUGGEST -30dBZ SENSITIVITY FOR

1 SECOND (7Km) INTEGRATION TIME

500m VERTICAL RESOLUTION

4. STUDY ON THE CRITICAL REQUIREMENTS OF A CLOUD RADAR

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SENSITIVITY REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

CONSIDER CLOUDS ARE SIGNIFICANT IF THEY LEAD TO OLR FLUX CHANGES OF 5 W/m² AT SURFACE OR TOA (TOP OF THE ATMOSPHERE).
- THIS IS ACCURACY OF SATELLITE OBSERVATION.

DISCUSS DETECTABILITY OF CLOUDS IN TERMS OF RADAR SPECIFICATION:
-30dBZ 500M LONG GATE
1Km FOOTPRINT ALONG TRACK INTEGRATION?

RADAR REFLECTIVITY OF CLOUDS:

$$Z = \Sigma N D^6 \quad (N \text{ is concentration, } D \text{ is diameter}),$$

LIQUID WATER CLOUDS SUCH AS STRATOCUMULUS - WIDESPREAD OVER THE COLD OCEANS, VERY IMPORTANT RADIATIVELY (COOL THE CLIMATE).

ICE WATER CLOUDS, SUCH AS CIRRUS - WIDESPREAD FROM TROPICAL ANVILS, IMPORTANT RADIATIVELY (WARM THE CLIMATE).

OPTICAL DEPTH, WATER CLOUD: $\tau = 3 \text{ LWP} / 2 r_e$
{ LWP, liquid water path in g m⁻²; r_e effective radius in microns}

ICE CLOUD: $\tau = 3 \text{ IWP} / 4 \rho_i r_e$
{ IWP is ice water path, ρ_i is density of ice}

Direct radiation flux through cloud falls as:

$$I = I_0 \exp(-\tau)$$

{down by 63% for an optical depth of 1, by 1% for a tau of 0.01}.

STRATO CUMULUS CLOUDS: r_e about 10um.
CIRRUS CLOUDS: r_e about 100um.

So for same water content Z of cirrus is 1000 times higher
τ of cirrus is 10 times lower.

Radiatively significant ice clouds much easier to detect with radar than radiatively significant stratocumulus clouds.

MIXED PHASE CLOUDS - CO-EXIST IN GRID BOX OF 60-70KM;
OCCUR RARELY ON 1KM SCALE OF RADAR FOOTPRINT - 100km INTEGRATION?

5.

WHAT IS A RADIANTLY SIGNIFICANT CLOUD?

RADIATIVELY SIGNIFICANT ICE CLOUDS -

CHANGE OUTGOING LONG WAVE RADIATION AT THE TOP OF THE
ATMOSPHERE BY 5 OR 10W m⁻²

- EQUIVALENT TO A τ OF 0.04 OR 0.07 IF $r_e .20\mu\text{m}$
AN IWP OF 1 g m⁻² - 1KM DEEP CLOUD, IWC 0.001 g m⁻³

RADIATIVELY SIGNIFICANT WATER CLOUDS? -

LWP OF 1 g m⁻² CHANGES EMISSIVITY and ALBEDO.

- ADIABATIC CLOUDS ONLY 50m DEEP HAS THIS LWP.

BUT BEST CURRENT METHOD FOR LWP FROM SPACE IS SSM/I
IN CLEAR SKY STANDARD DEVIATION OF LWP IS 16 g m⁻²
WITH TYPICAL ERROR 20 g m⁻²

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DATA SOURCES

RADAR AND RADIATION PROPERTIES OF CLOUDS PREDICTED
FROM AIRCRAFT MEASUREMENTS OF SHAPE AND SIZE OF CLOUD PARTICLES

PROBES

FSSP - WATER DROPLETS DIAMETER 2 - $47\mu\text{m}$ - FIFTEEN $3\mu\text{m}$ BINS
2D-C IMAGING PROBE DIAMETERS 25 - $800\mu\text{m}$ - THIRTY TWO BINS.

WATER CLOUDS - STRATOCUMULUS

OVER 4000KM OF PENETRATIONS

70 STRAIGHT LEVEL PENETRATIONS

MADE AROUND THE UK AND S. NORTH ATLANTIC

ICE CLOUDS - CIRRUS

EUCREX - NORTH SEA - 7,900 5-SEC SPECTRA - 5,100KM

CEPEX - TROPICAL - 11,700 10-SEC SPECTRA - 22,800KM

REFLECTIVITIES QUOTED RELATIVE TO THE RETURN FROM A
SINGLE WATER DROPLET ONE MM DIAMETER PER CUBIC METER.

LIQUID WATER CLOUDS

MEASUREMENT OF DROPLET SPECTRA OF STRATOCUMULUS SHOW:
 REFLECTIVITY AS A FUNCTION OF LIQUID WATER CONTENT

$$Z = 0.031 \text{ LWC}^{1.56}$$

Z IN MM⁶ M⁻³; LWC IN G M⁻³

IF WE CONSIDER CLOUD DROPLETS ONLY.

ADIABATIC CLOUDS:

DEEP 50m	AV LWC (G M ⁻³) 0.025	LWP (G M ⁻²) 1	Z (cloud) -40dBZ
150m	0.075	10	-32.5dBZ
200m	0.1	20	-30.6dBZ
(50% ADIABATIC)	200m 0.05	10	-35dBZ

NOW SSM/I SENSITIVITY/ERROR IS 20 G M⁻²

SO WE WILL CONSIDER LWP OF 1 AND 10 G M⁻².

WE WILL FIND THAT IN MANY MARINE STRATOCUMULUS THE PRESENCE OF OCCASIONAL DRIZZLE SIZED DROPLETS RAISES THE REFLECTIVITY

e.g. ONE 200μm DROPLET PER LITRE HAS A Z OF -12dBZ
 BUT A LWC OF ONLY 0.04 G M⁻³

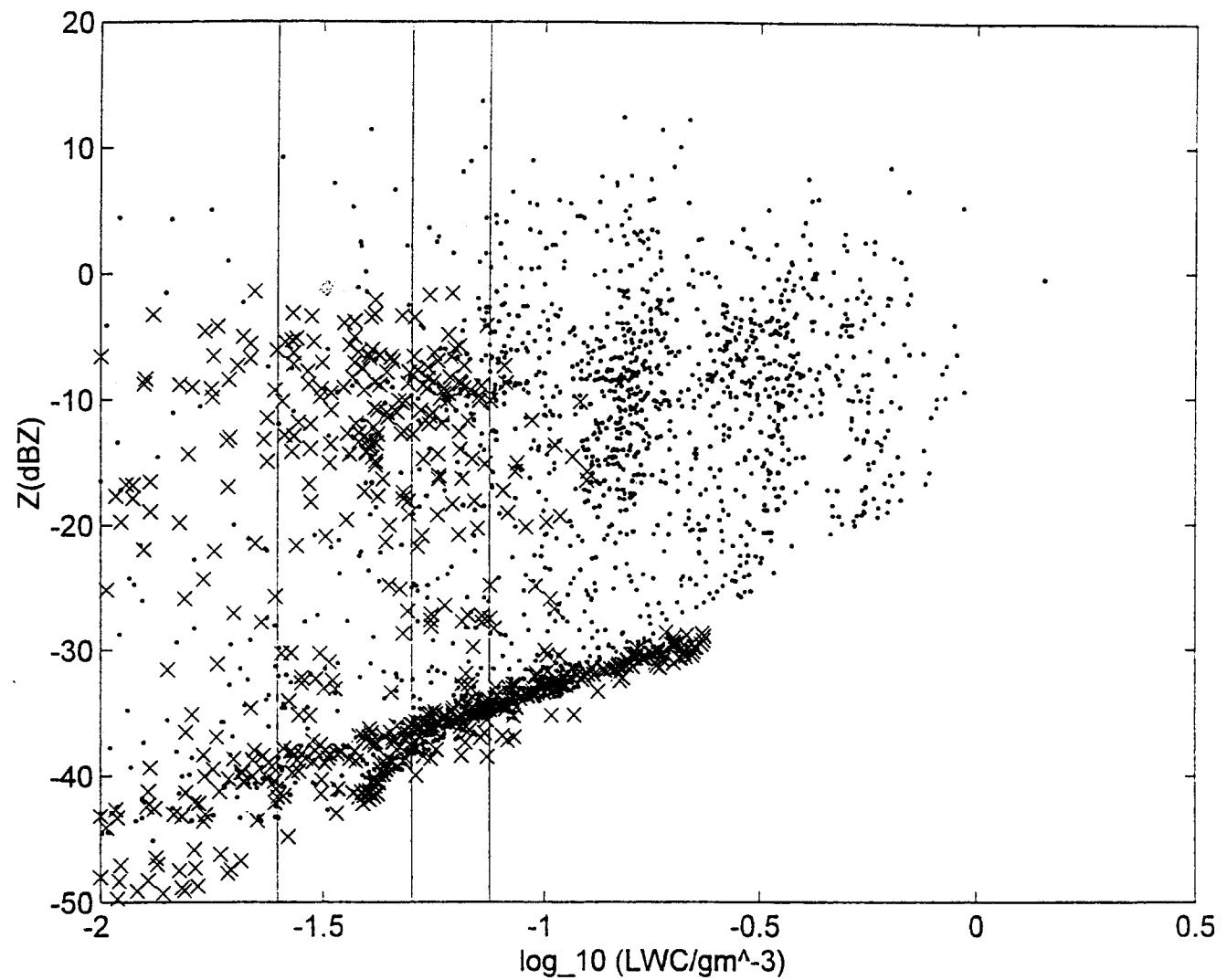
THE OCCASIONAL DRIZZLE DROP HAS NEGLIGIBLE LWC AND PPN BUT INCREASES Z.

OCCASIONAL DRIZZLE DROPLETS ARE PREVALENT IN EXTENSIVE
 'MARINE' STRATOCUMULUS DEEPER THAN ABOUT 150m.

'MARINE' IS THE AIRMASS - ONLY A FEW CONDENSATION NUCLEI.
 IN 'CONTINENTAL' AIRMASSES - LESS DRIZZLE.

GLOBALLY IMPORTANT STRATOCUMULUS ARE 'MARINE'.

Figure 3.3.6: Scattergram of calculated Z against LWC for all maritime (.) and continental (x) Sc samples with $Z > -50$ dBZ. The three vertical lines correspond to liquid water contents of $0.025, 0.05$ and 0.075 gm^{-3} .



STRATOCUMULUS - CONCLUSIONS FROM AIRCRAFT CLOUD SIZE SPECTRA

- 1) DRIZZLE SIZED PARTICLES ARE PREVALENT IN MARINE STRATOCUMULUS, (ABSENT IF THINNER THAN 200m) - SOMETIMES FOUND IN CONTINENTAL.
- 2) THESE OCCASIONAL DRIZZLE PARTICLES - ALTHOUGH INSIGNIFICANT IN TERMS OF LIQUID WATER CONTENT AND RADIATIVE PROPERTIES - RAISE THE RADAR REFLECTIVITY OF THE CLOUD. (SO LWC NOT $f(z)$)
- 3) DRIZZLE SIZED DROPLETS PRESENT THROUGHOUT THE CLOUD AND APPEAR TO BE BOUNDED ONLY BY CLOUD EDGE.
USUALLY EVAPORATE WITHIN 200m OF CLOUD BASE.
- 4) CONSIDERING A SIGNIFICANT CLOUD TO HAVE LWP OF 10 g m^{-2}
THIS COULD BE 150M DEEP AND HAVE AN LWC OF 0.075 g m^{-3}
OR 200m DEEP AND AN LWC OF 0.05 g m^{-3}

MARINE AIRMASS - PERCENTAGE DETECTION:

	LWC 0.05	0.075
$z > -40 \text{ dBZ}$	100	100
$> -35 \text{ dBZ}$	95	99
$> -30 \text{ dBZ}$	85	90

CONTINENTAL AIRMASS - PERCENTAGE DETECTION:

	LWC 0.05	0.075
$z > -40 \text{ dBZ}$	100	100
$> -35 \text{ dBZ}$	82	97
$> -30 \text{ dBZ}$	33	25

FOR 0.1 gm^{-3} THEN -35dBZ WILL DETECT 100% FOR BOTH.

- 5) AVERAGING STRATOCUMULUS REFLECTIVITY OVER DISTANCES OF 7KM RATHER THAN 1km DOES NOT APPEAR TO BIAS THE MEASURED Z.
- 6) ATTENUATION OF RADAR SIGNAL NEGLIGIBLE FOR LIQUID WATER PATH 10 g m^{-2} , DEEPER CLOUDS DRIZZLE DROPLETS RAISE Z CONSIDERABLY.

11.

ICE CLOUDS - CIRRUS

SIZE SPECTRA CLOSE TO EXPONENTIAL:

$$N(D) = N_o \exp(-D/D^*) = N_o \exp(-3.67 D/D_o) n$$

SO THAT IWC AGREE WITH TOTAL IWC EVAPORATIVE INSTRUMENT
ICE DENSITY A FUNCTION OF PARTICLE SIZE

$$\rho_{ice} = 0.07 D^{-1.1}$$

i.e. SMALL ICE PARTICLES SOLID, LARGER ONES LOWER DENSITY.

BECAUSE Z PROPORTIONAL TO D⁶ AND IWC TO D³
THEN FOR A GIVEN IWC Z LARGER AS D* INCREASES.

THIS GIVES SCATTER SO THAT DERIVING IWC AS A FUNCTION OF Z
HAS A STANDARD DEVIATION OF +100%/-50%

BROWN ET AL SUGGEST THAT IF Z AND D* ARE KNOWN
STANDARD DEVIATION REDUCED TO +50% AND -35%.

ALSO THE FIT OF IWC VERSUS Z VARIES FROM DAY TO DAY.

- SEE NEXT TWO SLIDES.

Figure 3.4.1. Scatter plot of IWC and Z values from Atlas et al (1995).

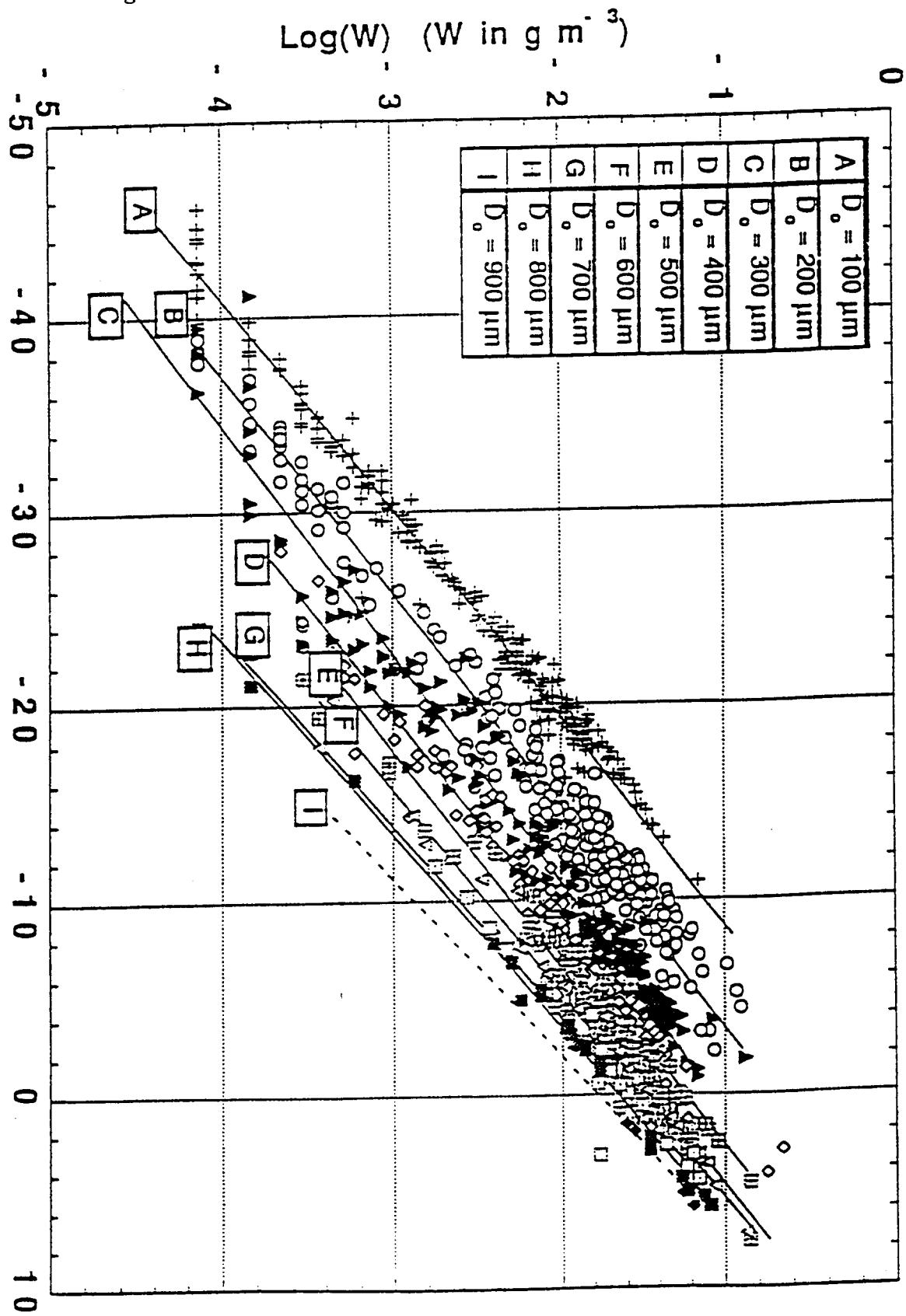
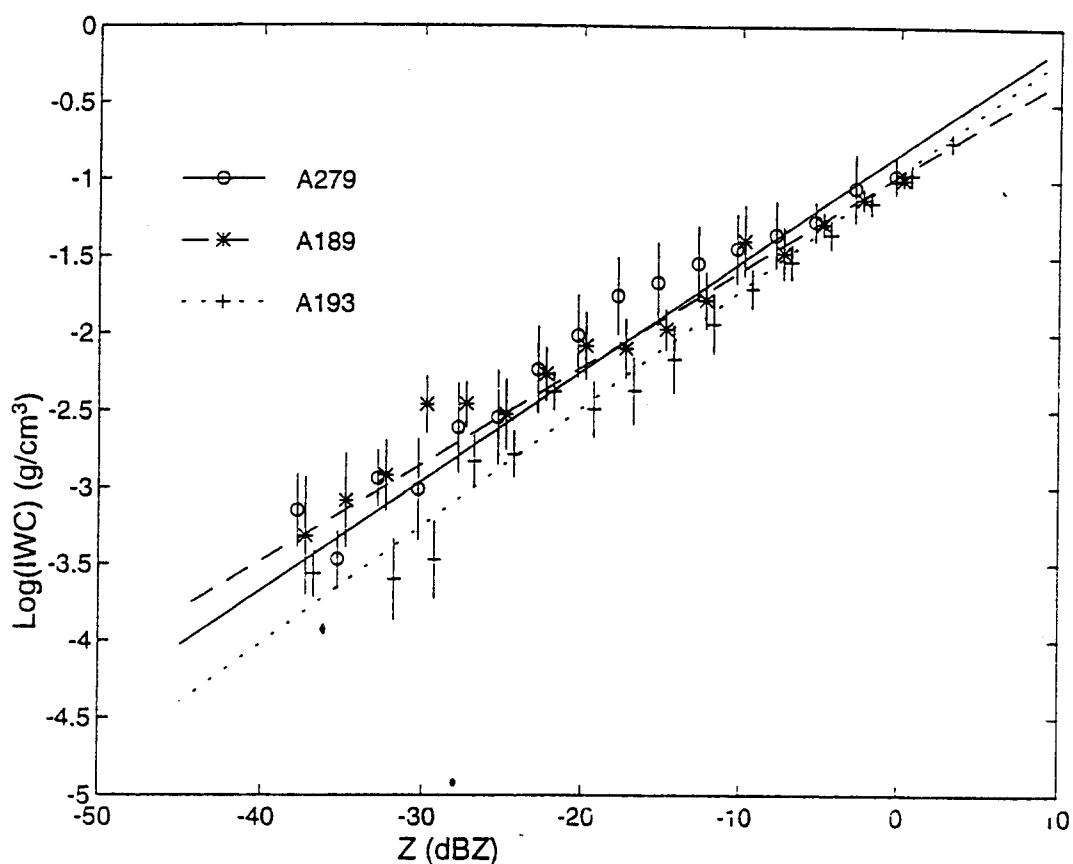


Figure 3.4.3. IWC-Z relations and the standard deviation for three days of EUCREX data.



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RADIATIVELY SIGNIFICANT ICE CLOUD.

FOR AN INVERSE-EXPONENTIAL SIZE DISTRIBUTION,

THE EFFECTIVE RADIUS $R_e = 1.5D^*$

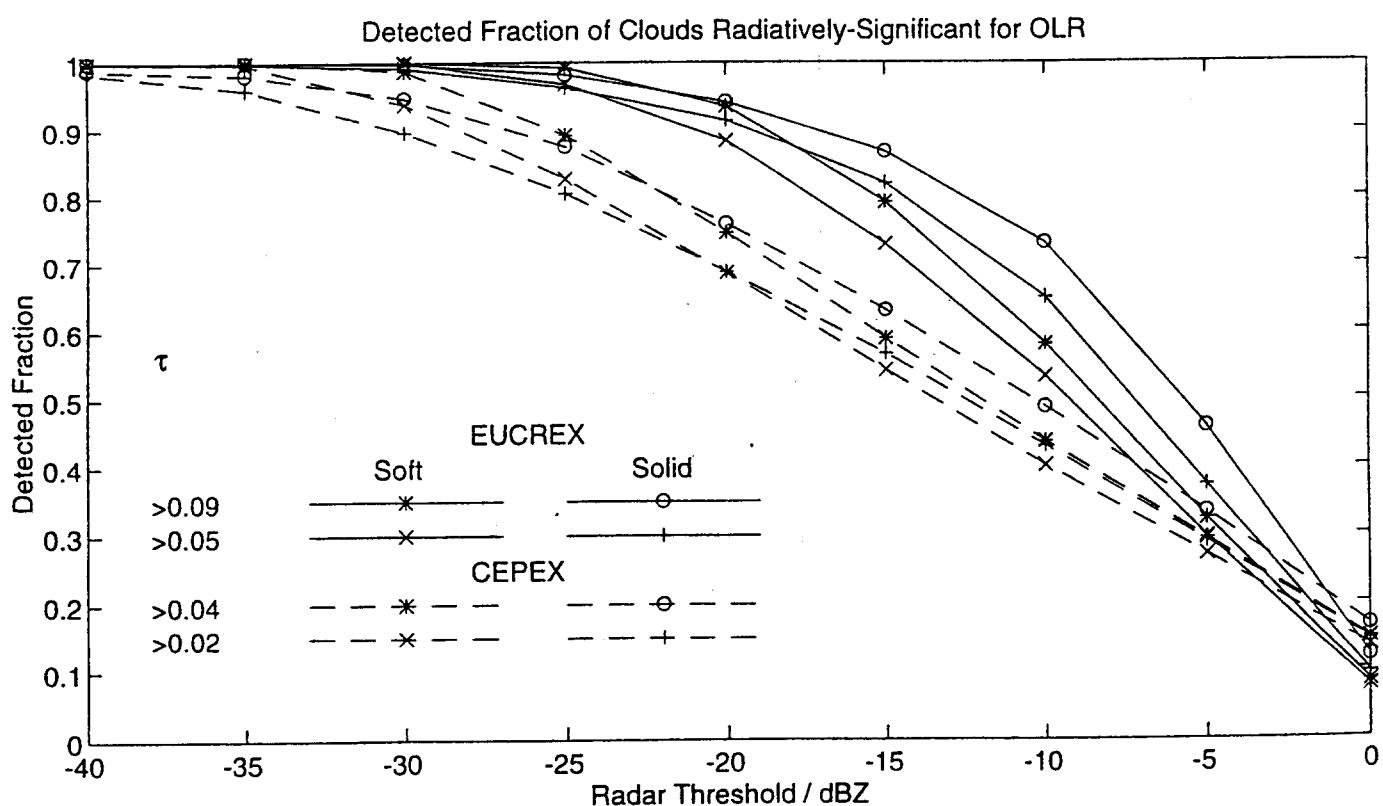
ASSUME CLOUD 1KM (1000m) THICK

SO OPTICAL DEPTH, $\tau = (3 \cdot 1000 \text{ IWC} / 4 \cdot 1.5 \text{ D}^*)$

GRAPH COMPARES 5 AND 10 W M^{-2} THRESHOLD

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Figure 3.4.4 Detected cirrus cloud fraction variation with the radar threshold for solid ($\rho=0.9\text{gcm}^{-3}$) and soft ($\rho=0.07\text{D}^{-1.1}$) ice crystals, respectively.



15.

SIZE DERIVED FROM LIDAR/BACKSCATTER RATIO

INTRIERI ET AL (1993) ESTIMATED PARTICLE SIZE FROM THIS RATIO:
ASSUMING ICE PARTICLES ARE SPHERICAL AND SOLID,
USING 35GHz RADAR AND $10.6\mu\text{m}$ LIDAR.

THEY USED A GAMMA FUNCTION OF INDEX P TO DEFINE THE SIZE SPECTRUM

NEXT OHP SHOWS RATIO INDEPENDENT OF P AND GIVES PARTICLE SIZE.

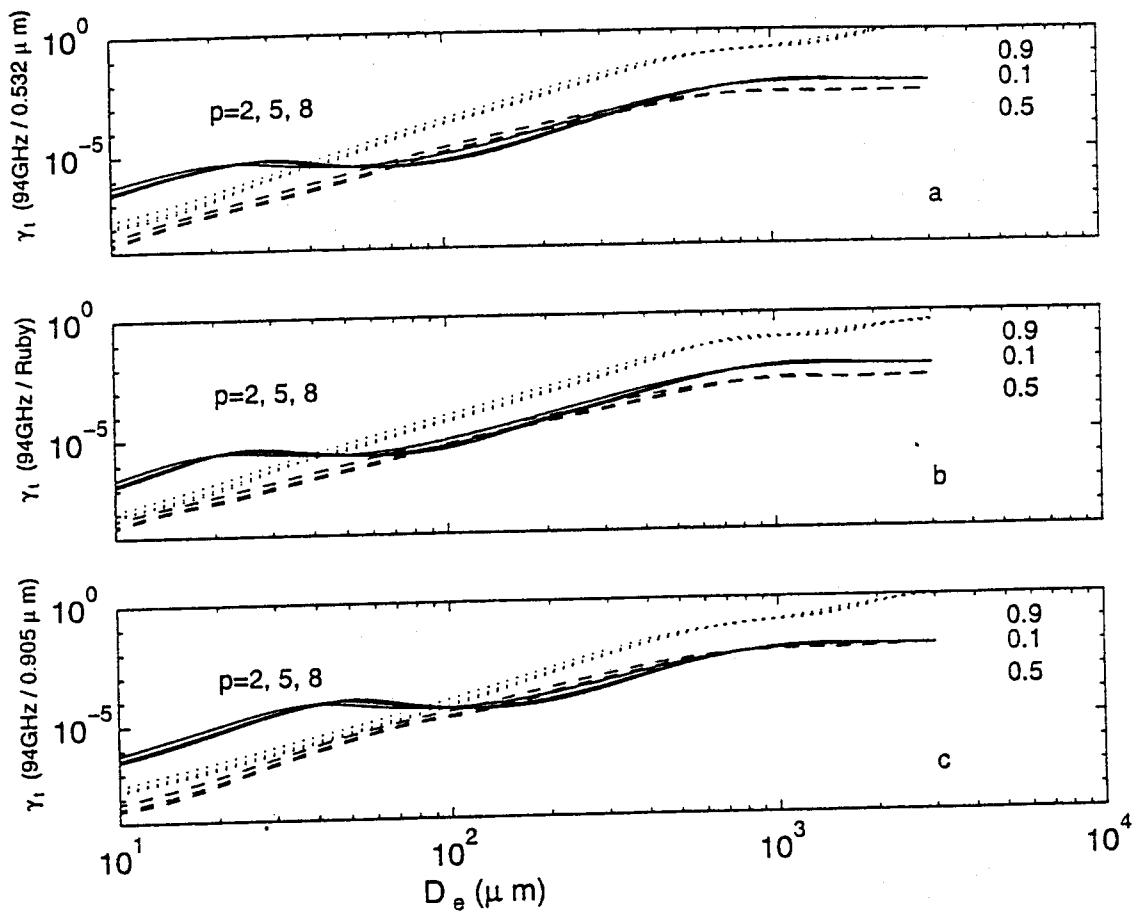
NEXT TWO SLIDES SHOW THAT FOR LIDARS IN THE VISIBLE
THE BACKSCATTER RATIO IS A FUNCTION OF ICE DENSITY -
THIS LEADS TO AMBIGUITIES IN DERIVATION OF MEAN SIZE.

IN ACTUAL FACT THE SITUATION WILL BE MORE COMPLICATED -

ICE PARTICLES ARE NOT SPHERICAL BUT SHOULD USE RAY TRACING
TECHNIQUES TO CALCULATE LIDAR BACKSCATTER FOR CRYSTAL FORMS.

CONCLUDE - DERIVATION OF SIZE BACKSCATTER RATIO OF RADAR TO
VISIBLE LIDAR MAY BE DIFFICULT.

Figure 3.4.8. Backscattering ratio (94GHz radar/lidar) variations with D_e for different particle densities ($\rho = 0.1 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$: solid line; $\rho = 0.5 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$: dashed line; $\rho = 0.9 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$: dotted line). The three lines for each density are for $p=2, 5$ and 8 in gamma distribution.



CLASSIFICATION OF IWC - $f(z)$ BY TEMPERATURE AND SIZE.

BROWN ET AL CALCULATED AN ERROR IN IWC OF +50%/-30%
IF D^* KNOWN WITH AN ACCURACY OF $50\mu\text{m}$

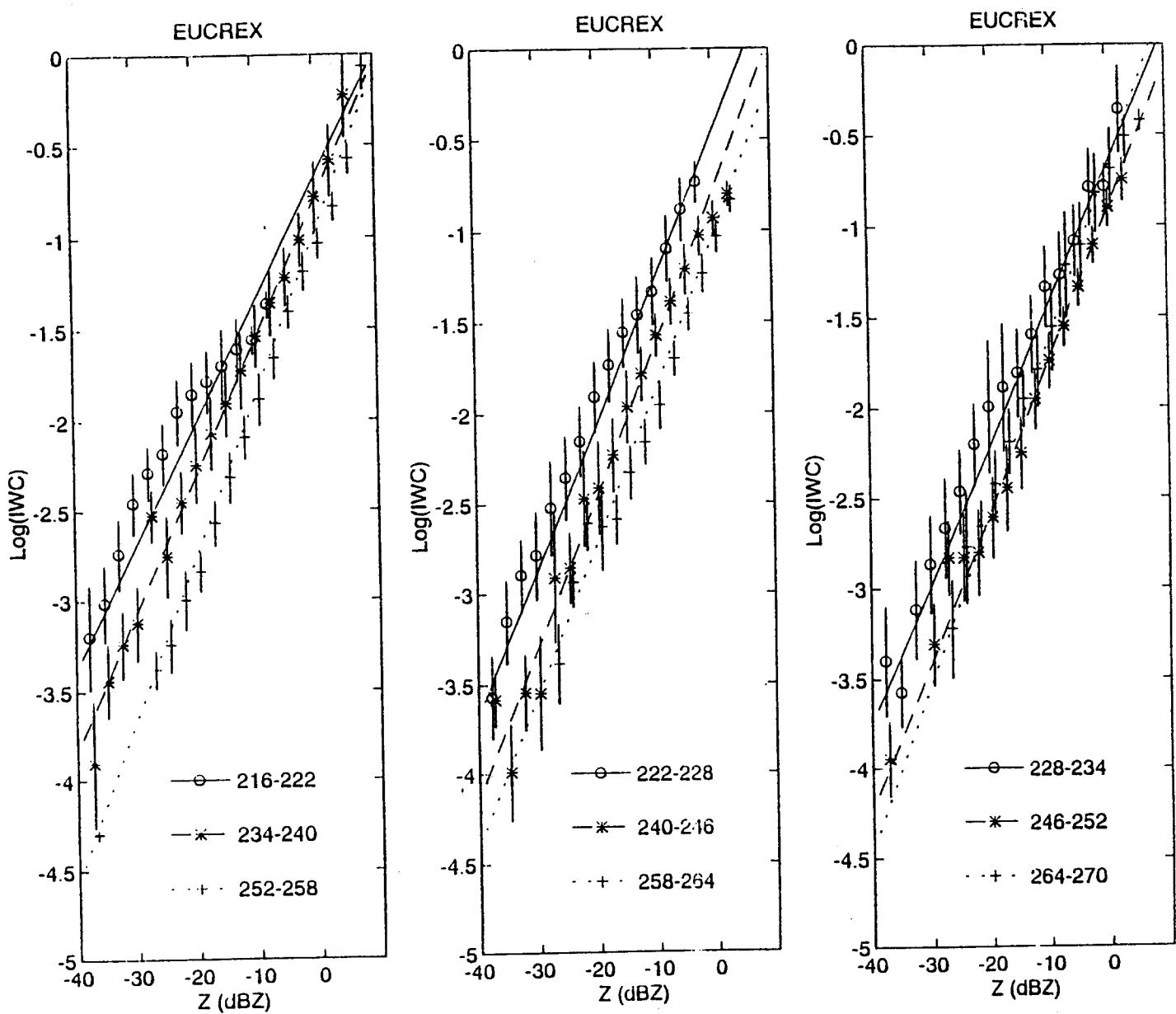
IS IWC SPREAD REDUCED IF CATEGORISED BY TEMPERATURE?
IN NEXT FIGURE THE IWC - $f(z)$ ARE SPLIT UP INTO 6K
TEMPERATURE BANDS.

NOTE TEMPERATURE DEPENDENCE - AND REDUCED STANDARD DEVIATIONS
(6K APPROX 1Km, HEIGHT FROM RADAR ECHO, TEMP FROM NWP MODEL)

FOLLOWING TABLE SHOWS DIFFERENCE IN MEAN LOG(IWC)
FOR CEPEX AND EUCREX

FOR MOST CLASSES WITH MORE THAN 20 POINTS,
DIFFERENCE IN MID-LAT AND TROPICAL IS
LESS THAN 0.1 (+25%/-20%)

Figure 3.4.14. The mean values of $\log(IWC)$ for data falling within 2.5dBZ ranges of Z . The error bars indicate plus and minus one standard deviation (For EUCREX data).



ACCURACY OF RETRIEVED ICE WATER CONTENT?

COMPARE ERRORS IN IWC FROM Z & D* WITH FROM Z & T

IF SPECTRA PERFECTLY EXPONENTIAL THEN IF ALL DATA
ACCEPTED HAVE SAME D* - ERROR IN IWC TEND TO ZERO.

IN NEXT SLIDE DATA SPLIT UP INTO DIFFERENT VALUES OF D*
AND WIDTH OF ACCEPTABLE D* IS ALTERED (FROM 10 TO 70 μ m)

ALSO IN EACH PANEL SYMBOLS SHOW ERROR FOR TEMPERATURE
CLASSIFICATION.

- 1) ERRORS DO NOT INCREASE MUCH AS WIDTH OF D* CLASS INCREASE
 - IMPLIES DOMINANT ERROR IS DUE TO NON-EXPONENTIAL SPECTRUM
- 2) ERRORS BY TEMPERATURE CLASSIFICATION SIMILAR TO THOSE BY D*.

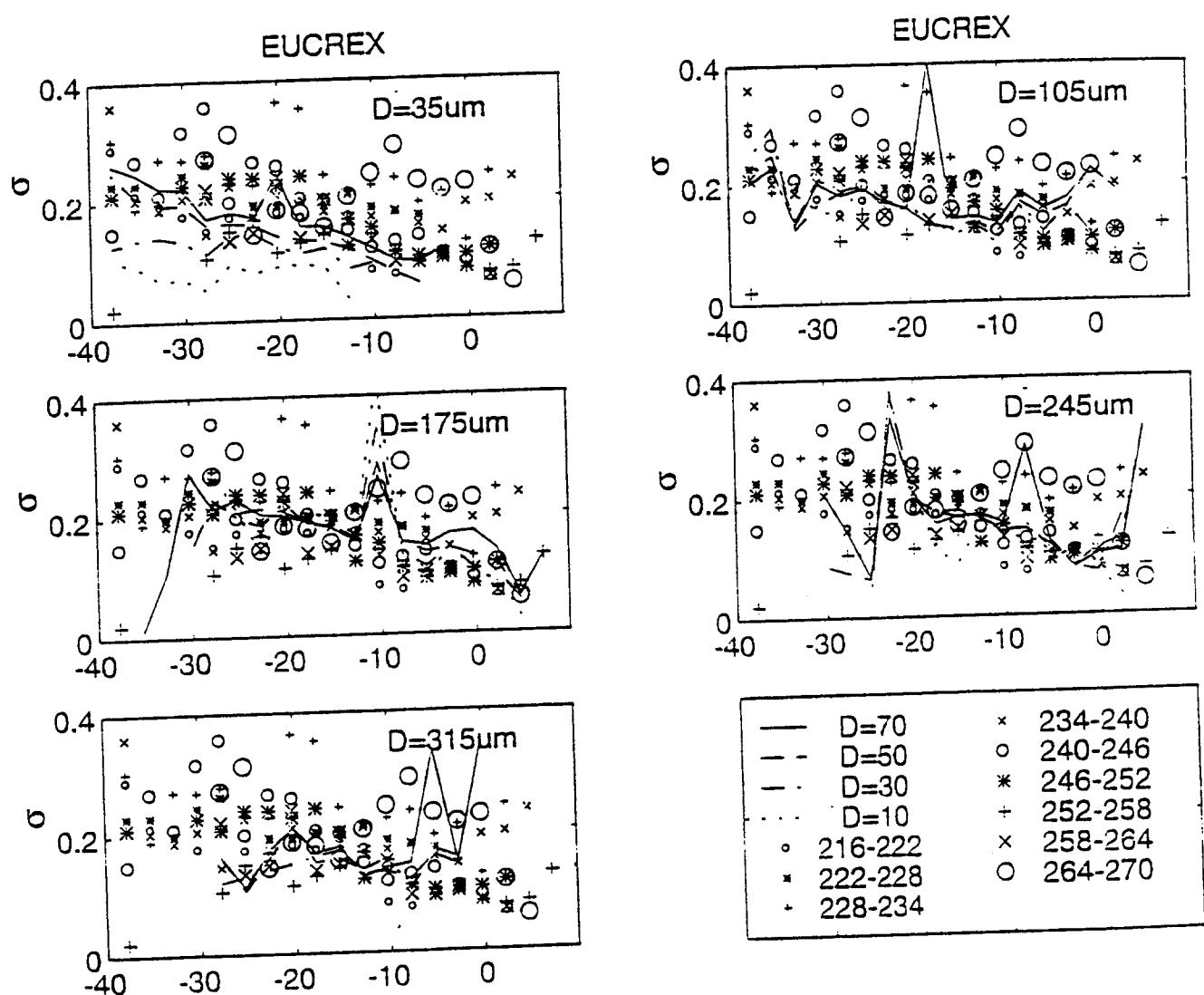
NEXT SLIDE SHOWS RESULTS FOR CEPEX (TROPICAL) DATA:

- CONCLUSIONS SIMILAR

(NOTE LARGE ERRORS FOR HIGH TEMP AND LOW Z
PROBABLY BECAUSE OF LACK OF DATA POINTS)

CONCLUDE - NOT OBVIOUS THAT D* OUTPERFORMS T.

Figure 3.4.16. The standard deviation variations with radar reflectivity Z of step 2.5dBZ. Different symbol are for different D^* and temperature ranges, the minimum data points within each range is greater than 5 (For EUCREX data).



ICE CONCLUSIONS

(i) RADIATIVELY SIGNIFICANT CLOUD.

THRESHOLD -30dBZ; OLR CHANGE $10W\ m^{-2}$;

DETECT 99.3% MID-LATITUDE AND 95.7% TROPICAL CIRRUS

(5W m^{-2})	-30dBZ	94%	80%
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5/ $10W\ m^{-2}$	-40dBZ	100%	100%
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(ii) BECAUSE OF LOW DENSITY OF LARGER ICE PARTICLES,

ATTENUATION OF 78/94GHz SIGNAL NEGLIGIBLE.

(iii) SIZE DERIVATION FROM LIDAR/BACKSCATTER RATIO.

MAY WORK FOR $10.6\mu m$ LIDAR: VISIBLE LIDAR -

AMBIGUITIES DUE TO DENSITY CHANGE OF ICE WITH SIZE.

NEED LIDAR MODELS WITH REAL CRYSTALS.

(iv) DERIVATION OF IWC FROM Z AND SIZE OR Z AND TEMP.

IWC = $f(Z)$ STANDARD DEVIATION OF LOG(IWC), σ , FACTOR OF TWO.

IWC = $f(Z, D^*)$ σ AS LOW AS 0.1 (+25%/-20%) FOR WARM CEPEX
 σ COMMONLY 0.15 (+40%/-30%), CAN BE 0.2

DUE TO NON PERFECT EXPONENTIAL SIZE SPECTRA.

IWC = $f(Z, T)$ BROADLY SIMILAR TO $f(Z, D^*)$,
 σ CAN BE AS LOW AS 0.1 FOR WARM CEPEX.

COMPARING MEAN VALUES OF LOG(IWC) FOR TWO DATA SETS FROM
 $f(Z, T)$ GEOGRAPHICAL BIAS USUALLY LESS THAN 25%.

(v) EFFECT OF 10KM INTEGRATION LENGTH

DOES NOT CHANGE THE BIAS IN THE RETRIEVED IWC.

Dual-wavelength radar

- Use one radar which scatters in the Rayleigh regime and another at a higher frequency which scatters in the Mie regime. This way the **Dual Wavelength Ratio** (DWR) can be directly related to crystal size, where

$$\text{DWR} = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{Z_{\text{low}}}{Z_{\text{high}}} \right) \text{ dB}$$

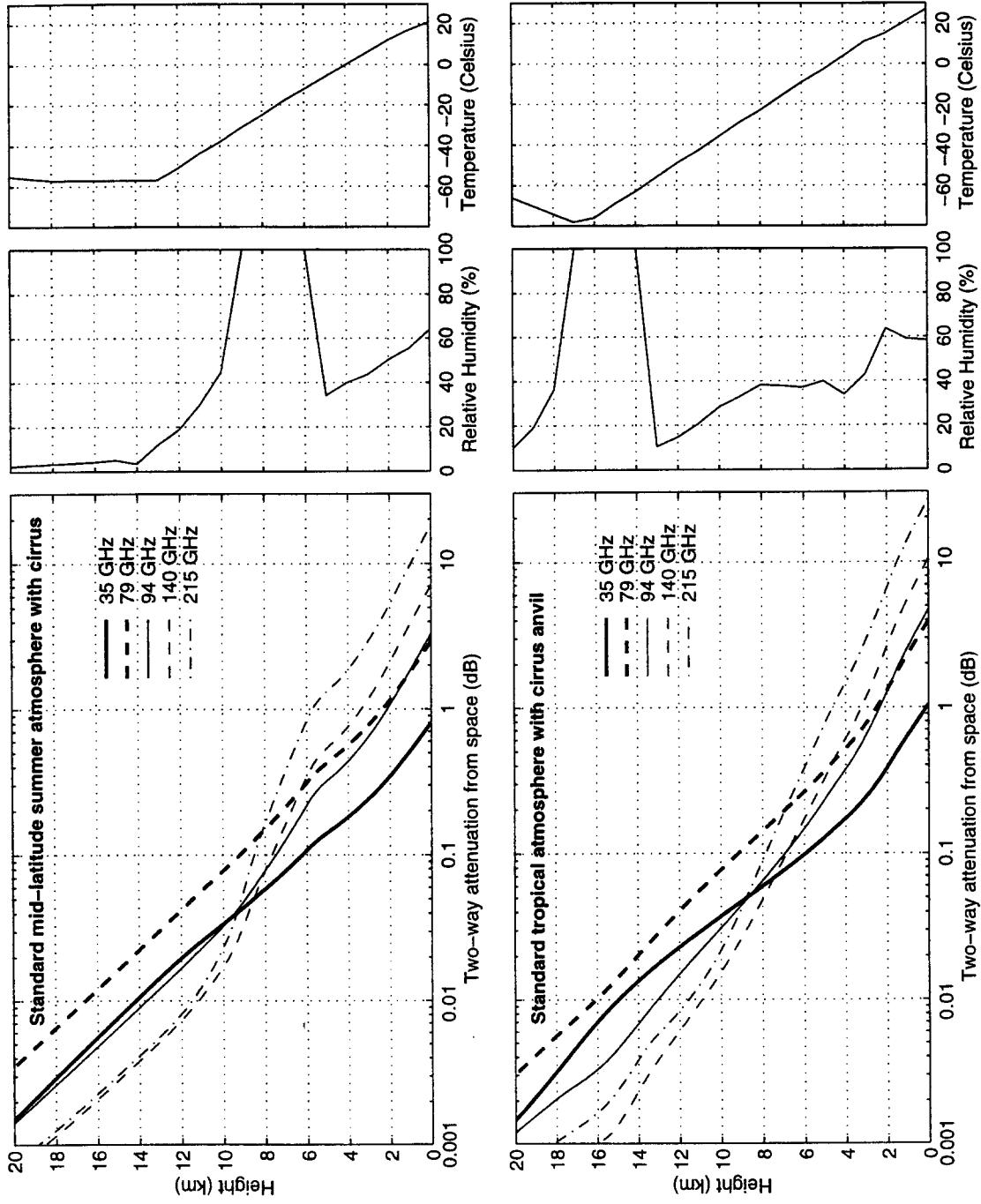
- Then calculate IWC from

$$\text{IWC} = \frac{Z_{\text{low}}}{R_{\text{low}}(\text{DWR})}$$

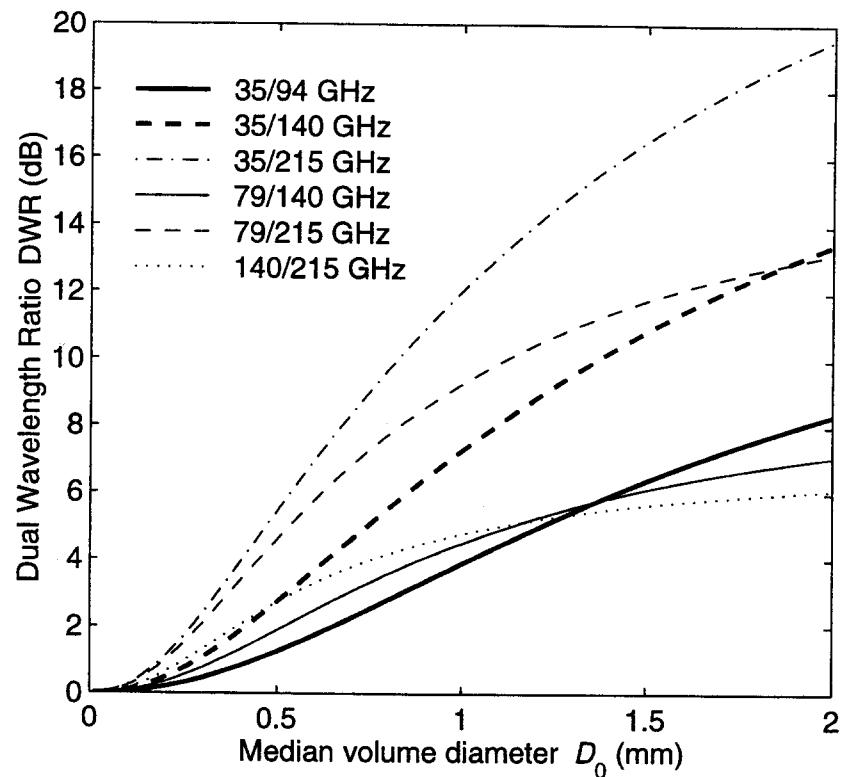
- Suitable frequencies which lie in the window regions of the atmospheric absorption spectrum are 35, 79/94, 140 and 215 GHz.
- The advantages of high frequencies are:
 - Higher sensitivity
 - Smaller footprint from space
 - Larger DWR for a given size
 - Better correlation between Z and IWC.
- But they suffer much more attenuation in the boundary layer.

Dual-wavelength radar in space

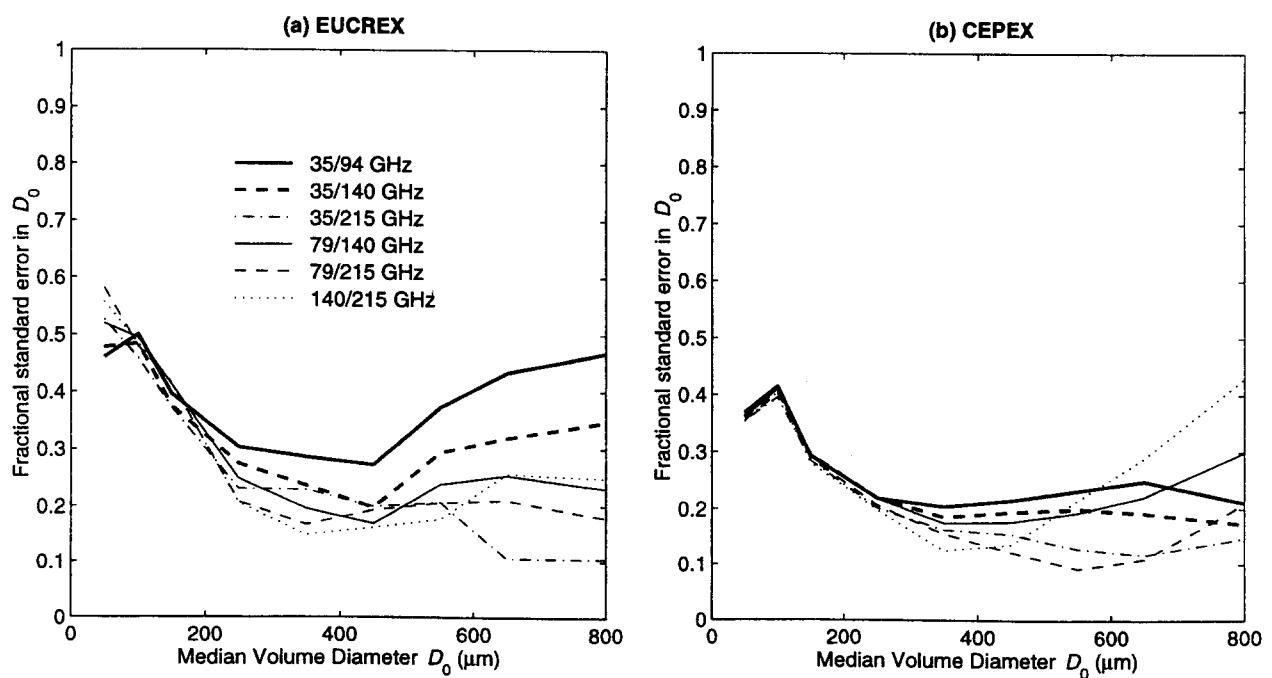
- From space to the melting-level, the 2-way gaseous attenuation at 215 GHz is at most around 2 dB.
- With present technology a spaceborne 94 GHz radar could detect down to -30 dBZ .
- Reflectivity at each frequency has been calculated using over 20,000 aircraft size spectra taken during EUCREX and CEPEX.
- A random error has been added to the data to simulate the natural fluctuation of radar reflectivity. This increases at low signal-to-noise ratios.
- Must consider problem of different beamwidths, and also if putting the instruments on separate satellites (the “Split Mission” scenario) would drastically reduce the accuracy.



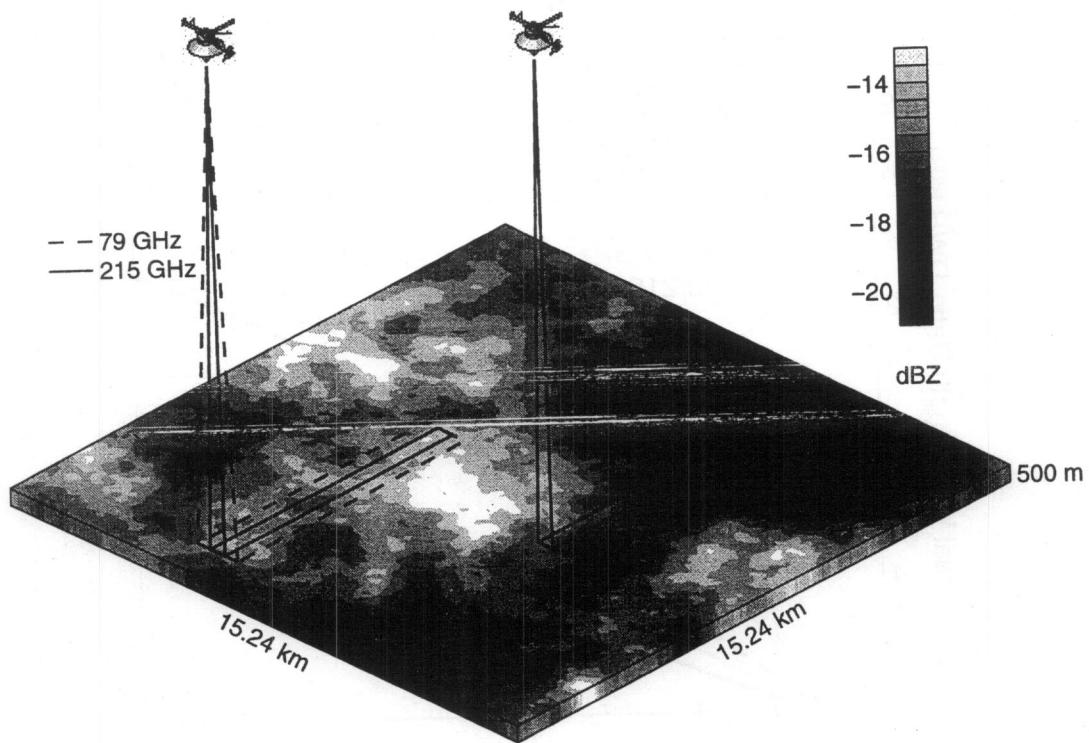
The two-way attenuation from space at the frequencies 35, 79, 94, 140 and 215 GHz for two standard atmospheres with cirrus layers added at appropriate altitudes. The temperature and relative humidity profiles are shown to the right.



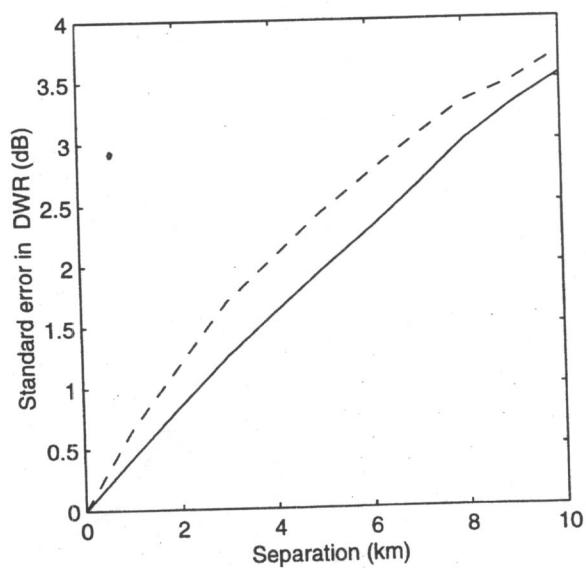
Dual-wavelength ratio as a function of median volume diameter D_0 for an exponential distribution of cirrus crystals and six different frequency combinations.



Error in retrieved D_0 as a function of D_0 for six different frequency combinations.



Schematic of a spectrally realistic cloud field, illustrating the difference in swath sizes for a dual-wavelength 79/215 GHz radar mounted on a single satellite, and the typical configuration for the 'Split Mission' scenario with satellites separated by 5 km in both the along- and cross-track directions.



Error in DWR as a function of swath separation in the Split Mission scenario. The solid line corresponds to satellites in the same orbit but one lagging the other and the dashed line is for satellites in adjacent orbits.

Conclusions

- The potential of the dual-wavelength method to measure crystal size in cirrus clouds has been demonstrated from the ground using 35 and 94 GHz radars.
- Aircraft validation is essential; should be possible in CLARE'98.
- Crystal density is an uncertainty which needs to be addressed, but the problem of aspect ratio can be largely eliminated by viewing at an elevation of 45°.
- The most promising combination for a spaceborne system would be 79/215.
- Size measurement is too inaccurate to be useful in the lowest 10–15 dB of sensitivity. Above this the 79/215 combination can measure IWC with an error of less than ±30%.
- The “Split Mission” scenario makes the radar/radar technique unworkable—probably also true for the lidar/radar technique.

II. SYSTEM

INTRODUCTION

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**EARTH OBSERVATION
PREPARATORY
PROGRAMME**

THE ERM SYSTEM

- STUDY OBJECTIVES
- PROJECT HISTORY
- SYSTEM EVOLUTION
- INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

STUDY OBJECTIVES

- ACCOMMODATE THE SET OF PAYLOAD INSTRUMENTS CONSISTING OF THE CLOUD RADAR, THE BACKSCATTER LIDAR, THE CLOUD IMAGER AND THE BROADBAND RADIOMETER ON A SINGLE OR A TANDEM MISSION.
- FLY THE SATELLITE IN A SUN-SYNCHRONOUS ORBIT WITH A 1400 HRS NODAL CROSSING TIME.
- OPERATE THE SATELLITE FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS, SIZING CONSUMABLES FOR AN OPTIONAL THIRD YEAR.
- OPERATE THE GROUND SEGMENT FOR DATA ACQUISITION, PRE-PROCESSING, ARCHIVING AND DISSEMINATION.

PROJECT HISTORY

- REQUIREMENTS AND CONSTRAINTS FOR NEW MISSIONS AND PAYLOADS, 1995, TWO PARALLEL STUDIES WITH MMS-F AND SPACE SYSTEMS FINLAND
- USER CONSULTATION WORKSHOP, GRANADA, 1996
- INTERMEDIATE CLASS MISSIONS, 1996, THREE PARALLEL STUDIES WITH MMS-F, ALENIA AND AEROSPATIALE.
- 03 JULY 1998, KICK-OFF MEETING PHASE A STUDY, MMS-F
- NUMEROUS STUDIES FOR SCIENCE AND INSTRUMENT ISSUES

SYSTEM EVOLUTION

- GRANADA: 2500 KG, 1600 W, ARIANE 5, 600 KM ORBIT,
MANDATE TO SIMPLIFY THE MISSION
 - ICM STUDIES: <1500 KG, 1100 W, 411 - 450 KM ORBIT,
MEDIUM CLASS LAUNCHER (PSLV, CYCLONE, LM)
 - MMS-F PHASE A PROPOSAL: 1100 KG, 1000 W, 411 - 450
KM ORBIT, SMALLER LAUNCHER (EUROCKOT, LMLV-2)
 - START OF PHASE A: MISSION LIFE REDUCED TO 2 YEARS,
ATMOSPHERIC SOUNDING DESCOPED FROM MISSION
 - THE PHASE A STUDY IS TO OPTIMISE THE SYSTEM AS A
WHOLE, INCLUDING ALL ELEMENTS.
 - AGGRESSIVE APPROACH TO MISSION IMPLEMENTATION

INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

- ATMOS-B2, RADAR, LIDAR, VIS/IR IMAGER, (MICROWAVE IMAGER), ((BBR)), LAUNCH IN 2005
- ELISE (MDS-LIDAR), NASDA, CONCEPT DEMO MISSION, 1 YEAR MISSION, FEB. 2001, 550 KM ORBIT, 30 DEG. INCLINATION
- CLOUDSAT, PROPOSED AS ESSP MISSION, JPL, CLOUD RADAR, A-BAND SPECTROMETER/IMAGER, SUBMM RADIOMETER, TANDEM MISSION WITH ICESAT
- PICASO, LIDAR CLOUD AND AEROSOL MISSION, NASA Langley,

II. SYSTEM

SYSTEM CONCEPTS FOR THE EARTH EXPLORER EARTH RADIATION MISSION

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MMS Contribution

« System Concepts for the Earth Explorer Earth Radiation Mission »

Overview of the Phase A study content and objectives

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ERM Study Objective

- **Objective = To establish a ERM concept which is both technically feasible and affordable within the Earth Explorer Mission context.**

- **Study context :**

- ⇒ In order to satisfy the mission objectives, the ERM satellite needs to carry several instruments, including two relatively complex active instruments (ATLID and CPR)
 - => high strain on system complexity and cost
- ⇒ Over the period 1995-98, various optimisation exercises have lead to a decrease of the spacecraft size from a large size (2500 kg at Grenada) to a medium (1500 kg, ICM study - 1997) and then small-to-medium size (1100 kg in MMS ERM proposal)

- **Investigation areas :**

- ⇒ possibility of further decreasing the altitude of the operational orbit
- ⇒ validity of reduced payload complements and/or two satellite scenarios
- ⇒ potential for further reducing the spacecraft and instrument complexity and cost
- ⇒ optimum use and share of on-board resources
- ⇒ re-use of off-the-shelf hardware
- ⇒ cost-effective development plan

ERM Study Approach

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Phase	Title	Objective	Duration	ESA review
1	System Concept Definition	Mission + System level trade-offs Selection of a preferred system concept	5 months	Progress Meetings
2	System Concept Development	Development of the baseline system concept design to establish feasibility	5 months	Preliminary Concept Review (PCR - Dec 98) Progress Meetings
3	System Concept Consolidation and Cost Estimate	Consolidation of concept design and final programmatic analysis	2 months	Preliminary Requirements Review (PRR – May 99) Programmatics Meeting

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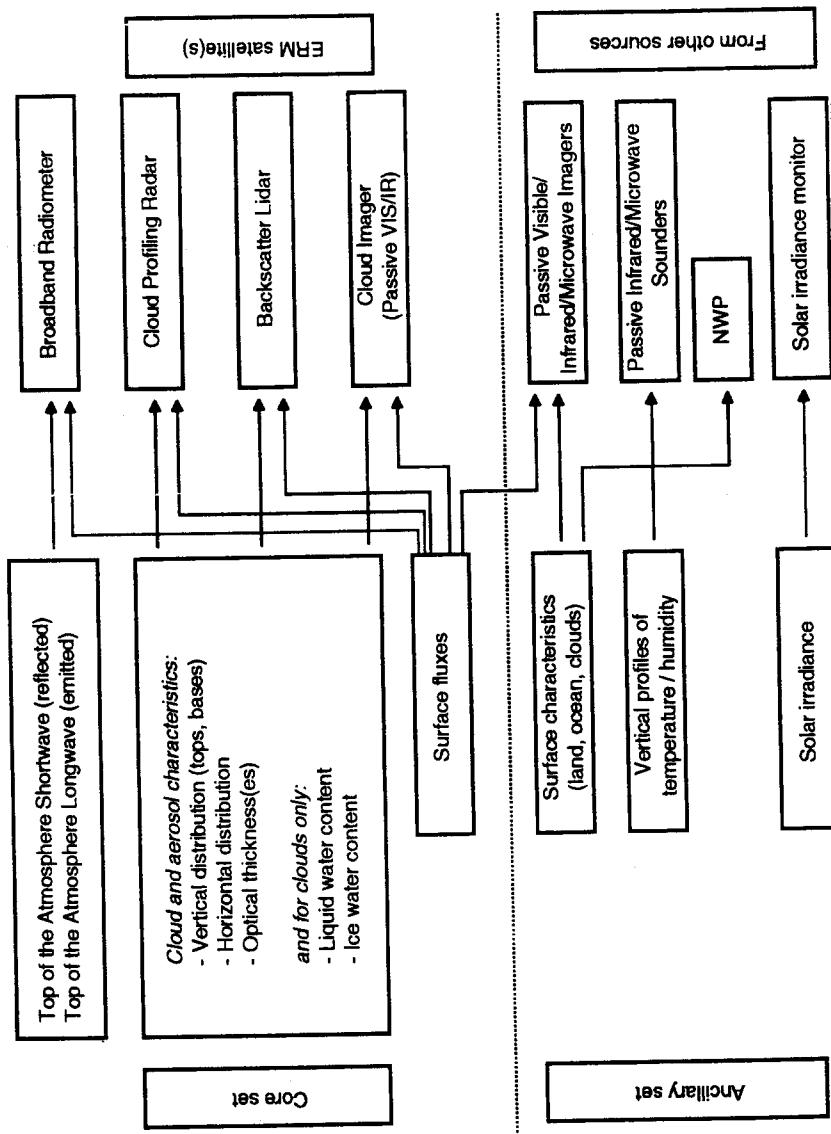
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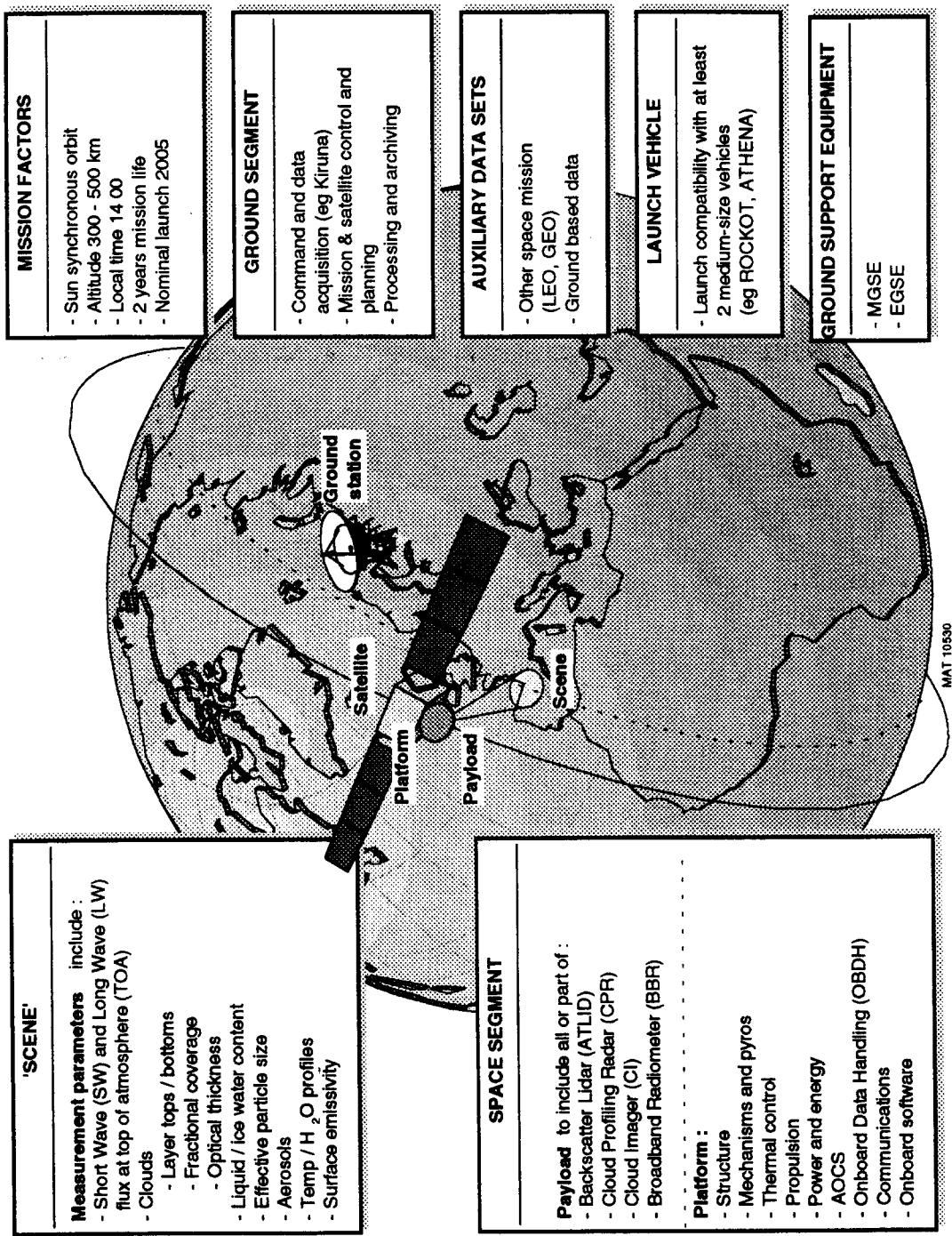
ERM : Mission Objective

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- To provide a set of cloud profiling and aerosol observations over 2 years by:
- measuring the vertical structure of cloud and aerosol fields and their horizontal distributions over all climate zones;
 - measuring radiation budget components at the top of the atmosphere simultaneously



ERM : System Overview



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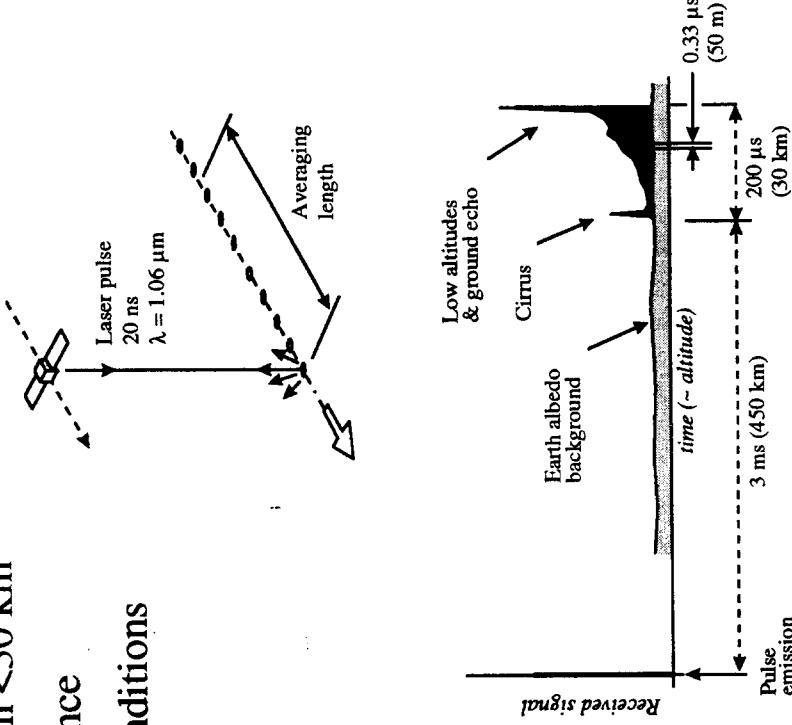
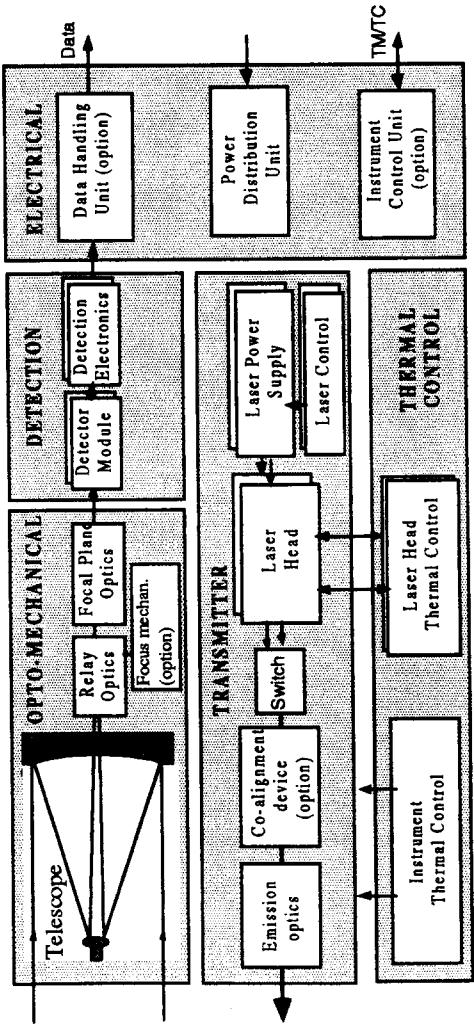
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Summary of ATLID Requirements for ERM

- Requirements Summary :

- ⇒ NdYAG laser operating at 1.06 micron wavelength
- ⇒ Continuous operation with nadir view only, in footprint < 200 m diameter
- ⇒ Vertical resolution < 100 m over altitude range $0 < h < 30$ km
- ⇒ Set of echoes averaged over 10 km horizontal distance
- ⇒ SNR specified for a range of atmospheric/cloud conditions

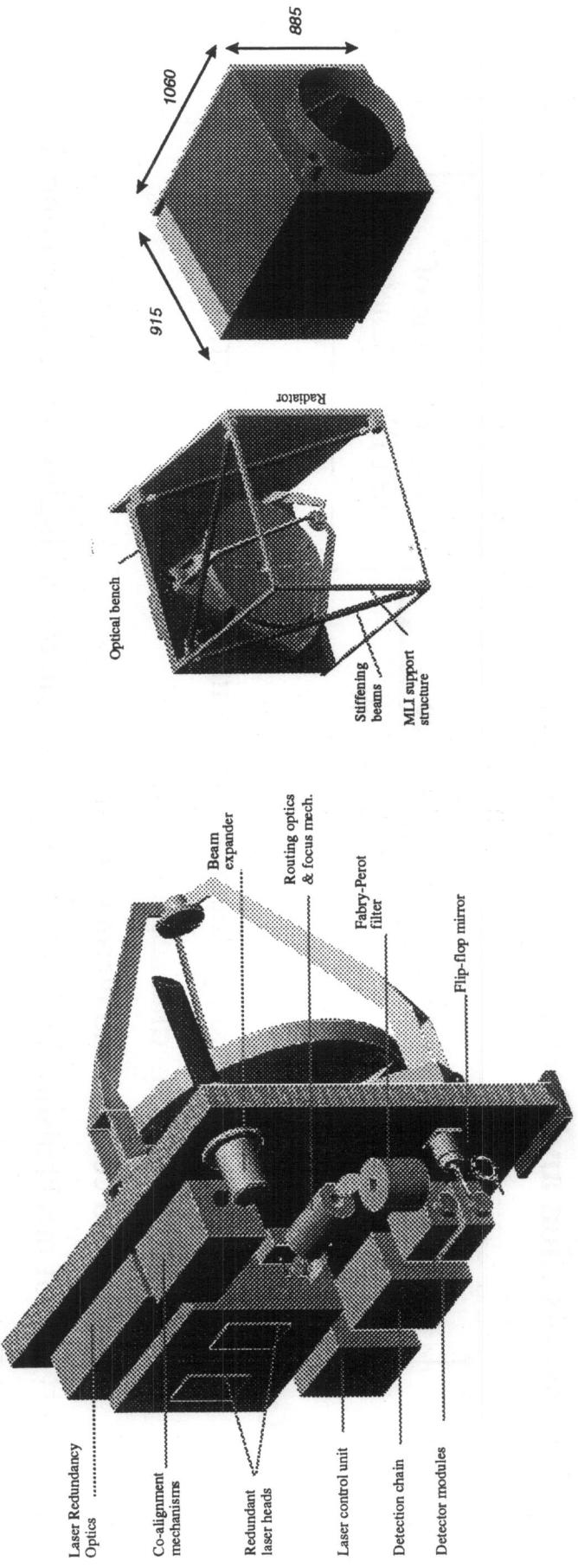
- Major Functions of the ATLID Instrument:



ATLID Concept (Proposal Reference)

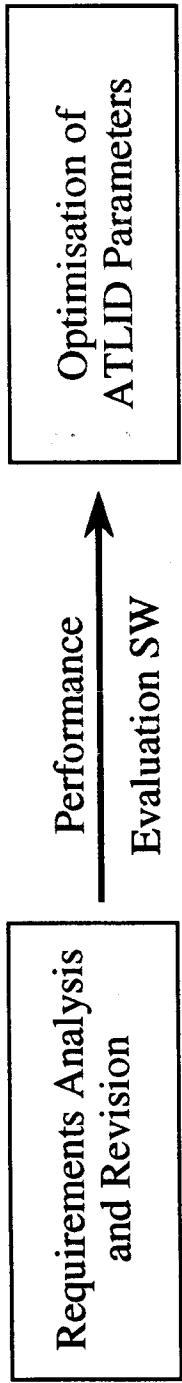
- Main Characteristics of Proposal Reference Design :

- ⇒ Diode-pumped laser : 70 mJ ; 50 Hz PRF.
- ⇒ 60 cm diameter collector; IFOV equivalent to 160 m dia (from 410 km altitude)
- ⇒ Avalanche Si photodiode detectors (ambient temperature)
- ⇒ Laser head thermal control by 2-phase fluid-loop or variable conductance heat-pipes
- ⇒ Total instrument mass of 170 kg, mean power demand 225 W and data rate 600 kbps



ATLID Trade-offs in ERM Phase 1

- Optimisation and Performance Evaluation



- Trade-offs

- ⇒ Opportunities provided by reductions in lifetime and altitude (power, diameter)
- ⇒ Opto-mechanical-thermal accommodation
- ⇒ Laser head concept and thermal control
- ⇒ Use of mechanisms (Refocus; Tx/Rx co-alignment) vs highly stable receiver optics
- ⇒ Telescope design and materials
- ⇒ Number of detection channels and detection chain design
- ⇒ Reliability and redundancy approach
- ⇒ Electrical architecture

- Evaluation Criteria

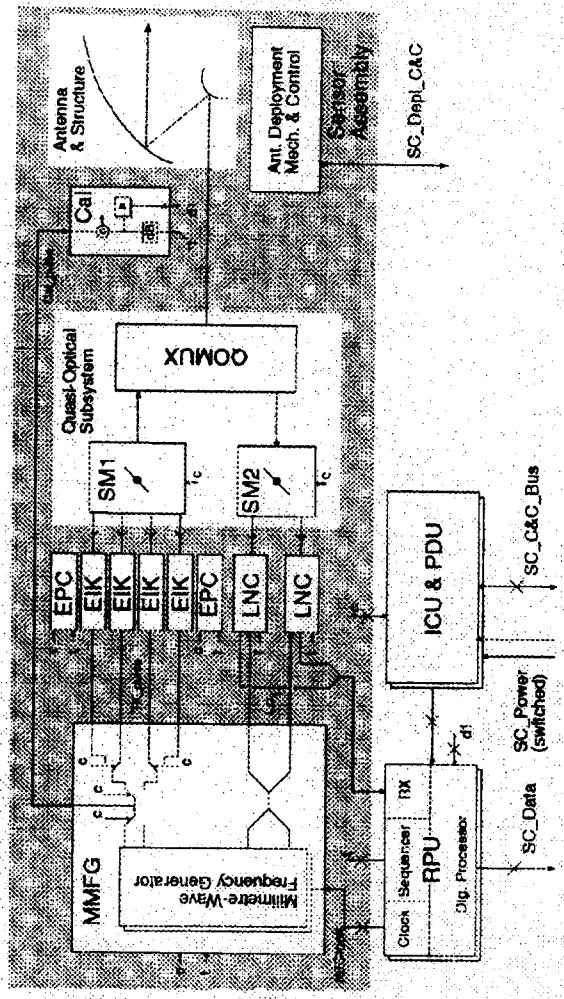
- ⇒ Performance, feasibility, schedule, etc but above all cost

Summary of CPR Requirements for ERM

- **Requirements Summary :**

- ⇒ 94 GHz linearly polarised radar
- ⇒ Continuous operation with nadir view only, in footprint < 1000 m diameter
- ⇒ Vertical resolution < 500 m over altitude range $0.5 < h < 20$ km
- ⇒ Echoes averaged incoherently onboard over 1 km distance
- ⇒ Performance specified for a range of atmospheric conditions in primary and secondary modes of operation

- **Major Functions of the CPR Instrument:**



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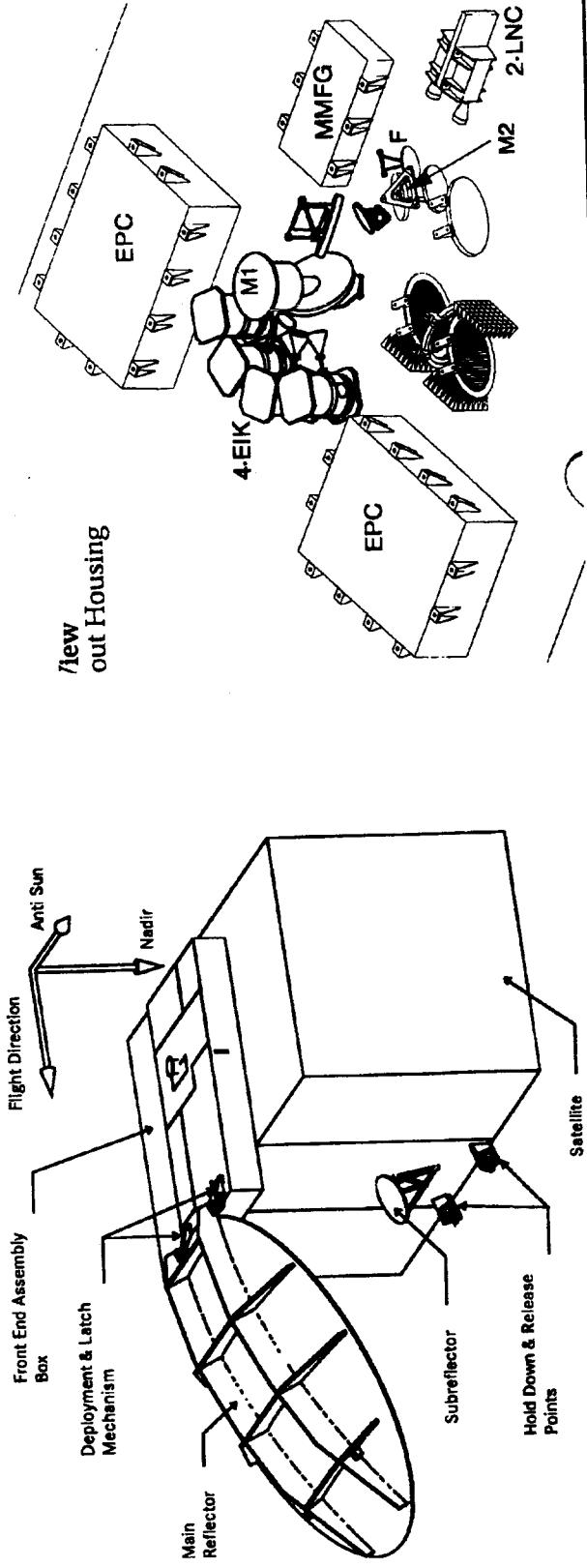
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CPR Concept (*Proposal Reference*)

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- Main Characteristics of Proposal Reference Design (at 410 km) :

- ⇒ High peak power (> 1 kW) unmodulated transmitted pulses at about 6000 Hz PRF
- ⇒ Cassegrain dual-offset antenna (approx 2 m dia) with deployable main reflector
- ⇒ Extended Interaction Klystron (EIK) high power amplifier (HPA) tubes driven by electrical power conditioners (EPC)
- ⇒ Quasi-optical multiplexer assembly plus low noise converter cooling, need TBC
- ⇒ Approx. instrument mass 125 kg, mean power demand 200 W and data rate 30 kbps



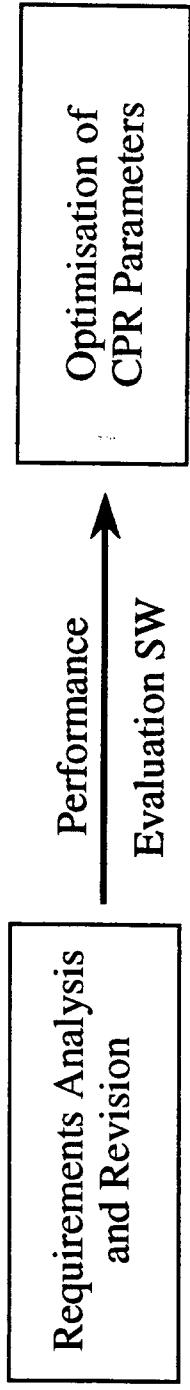
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CPR Trade-offs in ERM Phase 1

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- Optimisation and Performance Evaluation



- Main Areas for Trade-off and Optimisation

- ⇒ Opportunities provided by reductions in lifetime and altitude (power, diameter)
- ⇒ RF/mechanical/thermal configuration & accommodation of antenna, FEA, etc
- ⇒ HPA technology and thermal design
- ⇒ LNC technology and operating temperature
- ⇒ Reliability and redundancy approach
- ⇒ Sensitivity wrt instrument timing, noise measurement, calibration, etc
- ⇒ Electrical architecture

- Evaluation Criteria

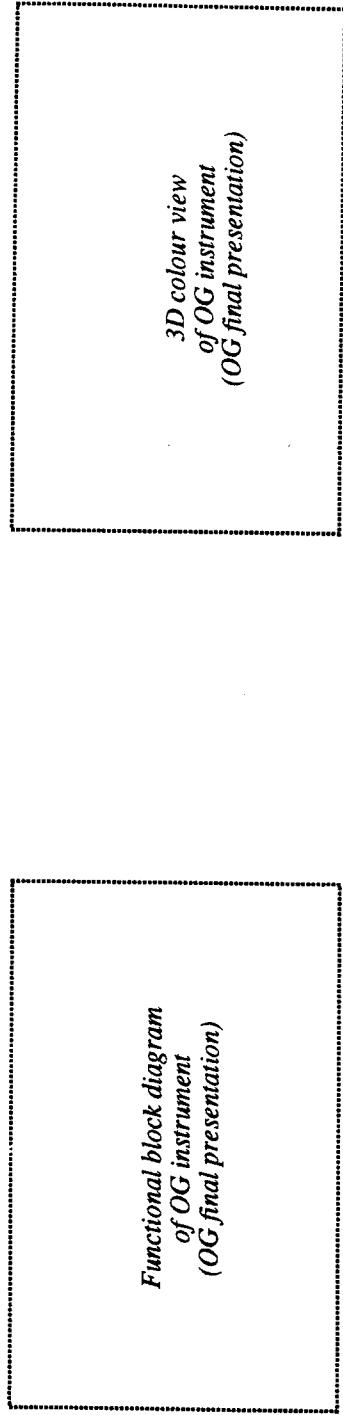
- ⇒ Performance, feasibility, schedule, etc but above all cost

- ⇒ 5 channel, passive nadir sounder imaging a continuous strip along track
 - ⇒ Data from visible/NIR/SWIR only useful on ‘day’ side of orbit
 - ⇒ Spatial sampling interval < 1000 m at subsatellite point
 - Spectral bands
 - B1 : 0.649 - 0.669 μm (VIS) B4 : 8.5 - 9.4 μm (TIR1)*
 - B2 : 0.885 - 0.875 μm (NIR) B5 : 10.4 - 12.4 μm (TIR2)*
 - B3 : 1.58 - 1.64 μm (SWIR)
 - (*) Specifications of width of bands 4 and 5 are the latest figures for uncooled microbolometer concept
 - Swath width
 - To be optimised in the range 100 to 300 km for all bands
 - Better than 0.1 sampling distance (TBC) between spectral bands
 - Bands 1, 2, 3 Bands 4 & 5
 - Coregistration
 - Radiometric reqts
 - Dynamic range, max min
 - Albedo 1. 3 @ 30° sun zenith angle Scene at 180 K
 - Albedo 0.1 @ 30° sun zenith angle Scene at 350 K
 - > 200 @ max radiance NEDT < 0.25 K @ 300 K
 - > TBD @ min radiance NEDT < TBC @ 200 K
 - < 10% of estimated reflectance < 1 K @ 300 K
 - Absolute accuracy

CI Concept

- **Main Characteristics of Early Phase A Reference Design :**

- ⇒ Pushbroom imager using off-the-shelf detectors taken as reference in proposal phase.
- ⇒ Proposal reference design characteristics were: 27 kg; 95 W (with active cooling).
- ⇒ Uncooled micro-bolometer concept also described and now much preferred.
- ⇒ This concept was investigated by OG in a study of Uncooled Thermal IR Imagers.
- ⇒ Microbolometer concept characteristics are: ~ 12 kg; 45 W (uncooled); mean data rate of ~ 50 kbps (for a 1 km sample interval and 100 km swath width).



BBR Requirements for ERM

- Requirements Summary :

- ⇒ Passive nadir sounding with 2 spectral bands :
 - Short wave (SW) - 0.2 to 4 micron) Alternative channels to be implemented
 - Long-wave (LW) - 4 to 50 micron) as necessary or appropriate
- ⇒ Swath width:
 - Single pixel (30 km) up to CI swath (100 - 300 km)
- ⇒ Spatial sampling interval :
 - 30 km at subsatellite point
- ⇒ Radiometric accuracy:
 - 0.5 W/m²Sr in SW and LW channels
- ⇒ Absolute accuracy:
 - 1.5 % in SW and LW channels

- Phase 1 Concept Assessments:

- ⇒ Proposal reference was based on US CERES instrument for which the main characteristics are: 45 kg; 50 W; 10 kbps.
- ⇒ Various concepts derived from existing designs will be analysed; options under investigation include derivatives of: CERES; SCARAB (OPERA); GERB.
- ⇒ A multipixel BBR concept, specifically designed for ERM, is currently being studied by REOSC/Sfim (5pixels, 120 km swath). This design offers much reduced size, mass and power : 200 x 200 x 200 mm; 6 kg; 20 W; < 3 kbps. These figures are now assumed with some margin (10 kg and 25 W used in new payload budget).

	Mass (kg)	Power (W)	Data (kbps)	Size
ATLID	167	225	600	~ 2 m dia antenna plus FEA of 2 x 1.3 x 0.3 m
CPR	127	195	30	Approx. 1 m cube
Cloud Imager	12	45	50 (mean)	~ 0.5 x 0.4 x 0.2 m
BBR	10	25	10	~ 0.2 x 0.2 x 0.15 m
Total, approx	316 kg *	490 W *	700 kbps	

(* *Proposal totals were 380 kg, and 596 W including GRAS and cooled Cloud Imager.*)

- The figures are appropriate to the proposal reference mission assumptions on orbit altitude (410 km) and nominal life (4 yr); further reductions are being sought.
- Additional instrument design drivers relate to:
 - Mechanisms (e.g. CPR antenna deployment)
 - Lifetime (ATLID/CPR transmitters)
 - Thermal Control (ATLID, CPR, CI)
 - EMC/RFI (CPR)

Mission Assessments and Trade-Offs

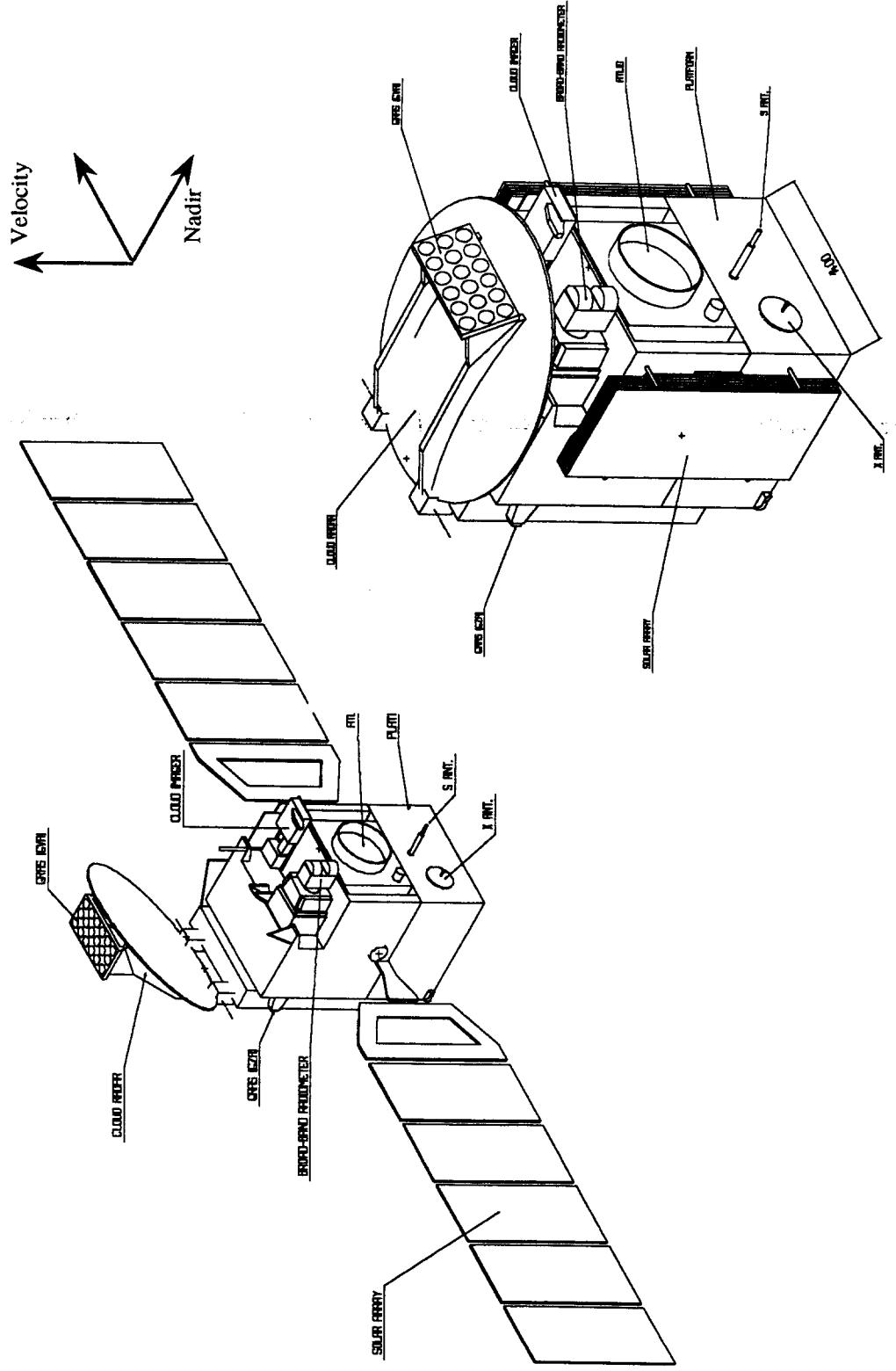
- In the first two months of ERM Phase A the industrial team is analysing requirements, seeking relaxations in **design/cost drivers** and trading off alternative options in **all areas** (mission, system, payload, platform, etc).
- For the overall ERM mission, **key aspects** being addressed include:
 - ⇒ Mission implementation
 - Full and reduced payloads
 - Single and split-satellite scenarios
 - ⇒ Mission life
 - ⇒ Scene coverage
 - ⇒ Orbit characteristics
 - Altitude
 - Local time
 - ⇒ Launcher
 - ⇒ Ground segment

Orbit Altitude Options & Trade-Offs

- Optimum operating orbit altitude is high on the list of areas to assess.
- A key point in the proposal was the reduction in payload demand (size, power), compared to earlier studies, which was achieved in coming down ~ 400 km.
- We are now investigating even lower altitudes and, to support this activity, we have assessed the parametric dependence of instrument performance:
 - ⇒ the basic parametric expressions relating SNR, aperture, transmitter power (in the case of the active instruments), etc to orbit altitude
 - ⇒ the resulting scope for reducing physical characteristics of antenna/optical unit and electronics (size, mass, input power, etc) for altitude decrease
- In parallel we have investigated the impacts for S/L design and launch including:
 - ⇒ Launcher capability versus altitude
 - ⇒ Air density/drag effects and means to maintain orbit altitude and satellite attitude, notably propulsion system type, propellant quantity, wheel size, etc.
 - ⇒ Atomic oxygen degradation effects
 - ⇒ Communications and ground segment interfaces

- Clearly the designs at the level of individual instruments, overall payload, platform, etc are highly interactive.
- Individual instrument analysis and optimisation is being made with respect to:
 - ⇒ revised requirements
 - ⇒ alternative design/technology concepts
 - ⇒ varying orbit characteristics, etc
 - ⇒ alternative instrument-platform mounting options
- At overall spacecraft configuration level we are assessing various options for:
 - ⇒ Alternative arrangements of instrument assemblies wrt nadir, side, zenith faces
 - ⇒ Modularity - fully integrated or separate wrt mech/ thermal, electrical aspects
 - ⇒ Heritage - new architecture, adaptation, at system and subsystem levels
 - ⇒ Spacecraft geometry - solar array deployment/rotation, symmetry, body aspect ratio..
 - ⇒ Thermal control
 - ⇒ etc

Proposal Concept : Spacecraft Overview

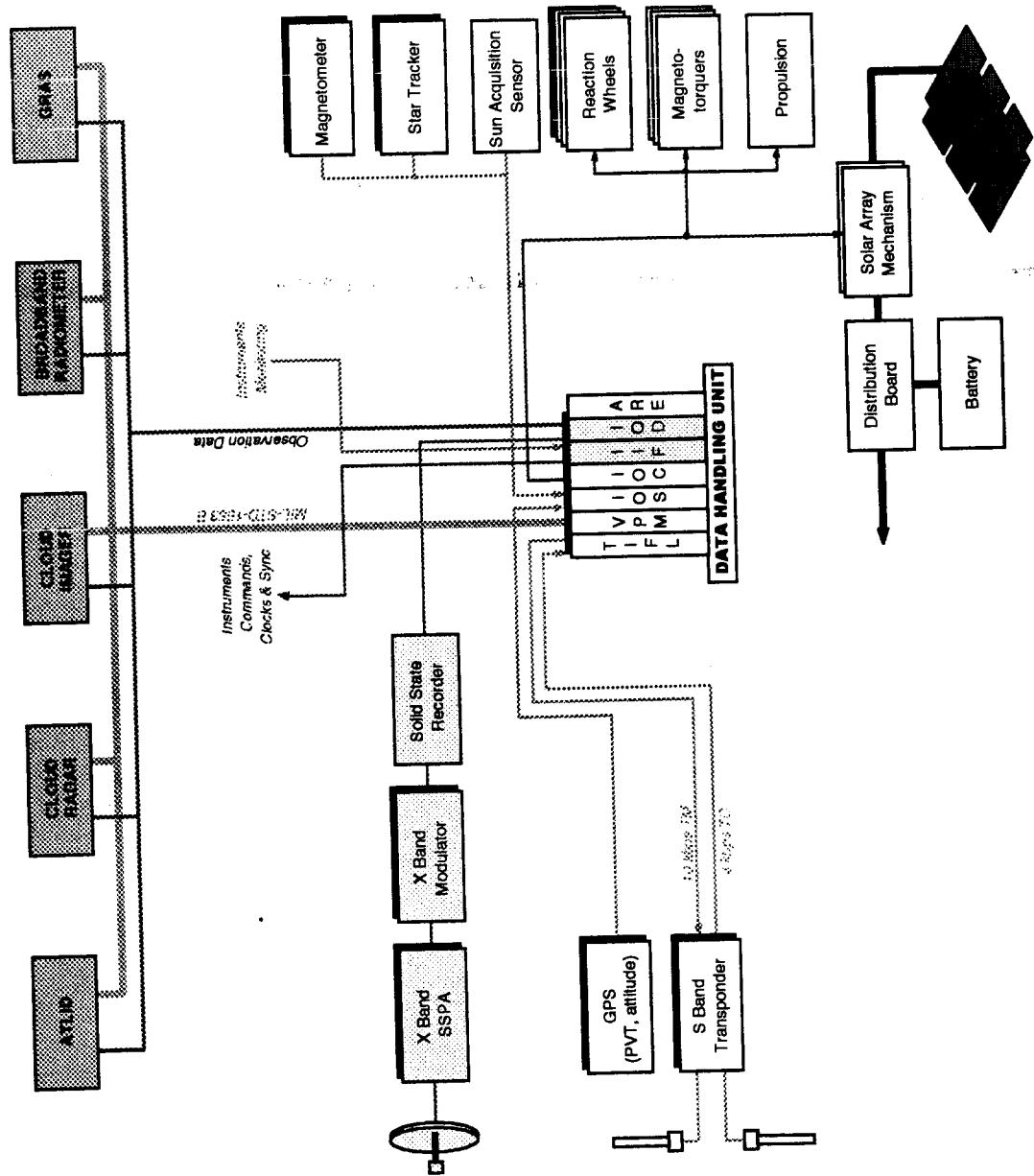


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Proposal Concept : Spacecraft Architecture



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Proposal Concept : Updated Spacecraft Budgets

MASS BUDGET (kg)

<i>ERM INSTRUMENTS</i>	<i>316 kg</i>	<i>ERM INSTRUMENTS</i>	<i>490 W</i>
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CPR	127	CPR	195
Cloud Imager	12	Cloud Imager	45
BBR	10	BBR	25

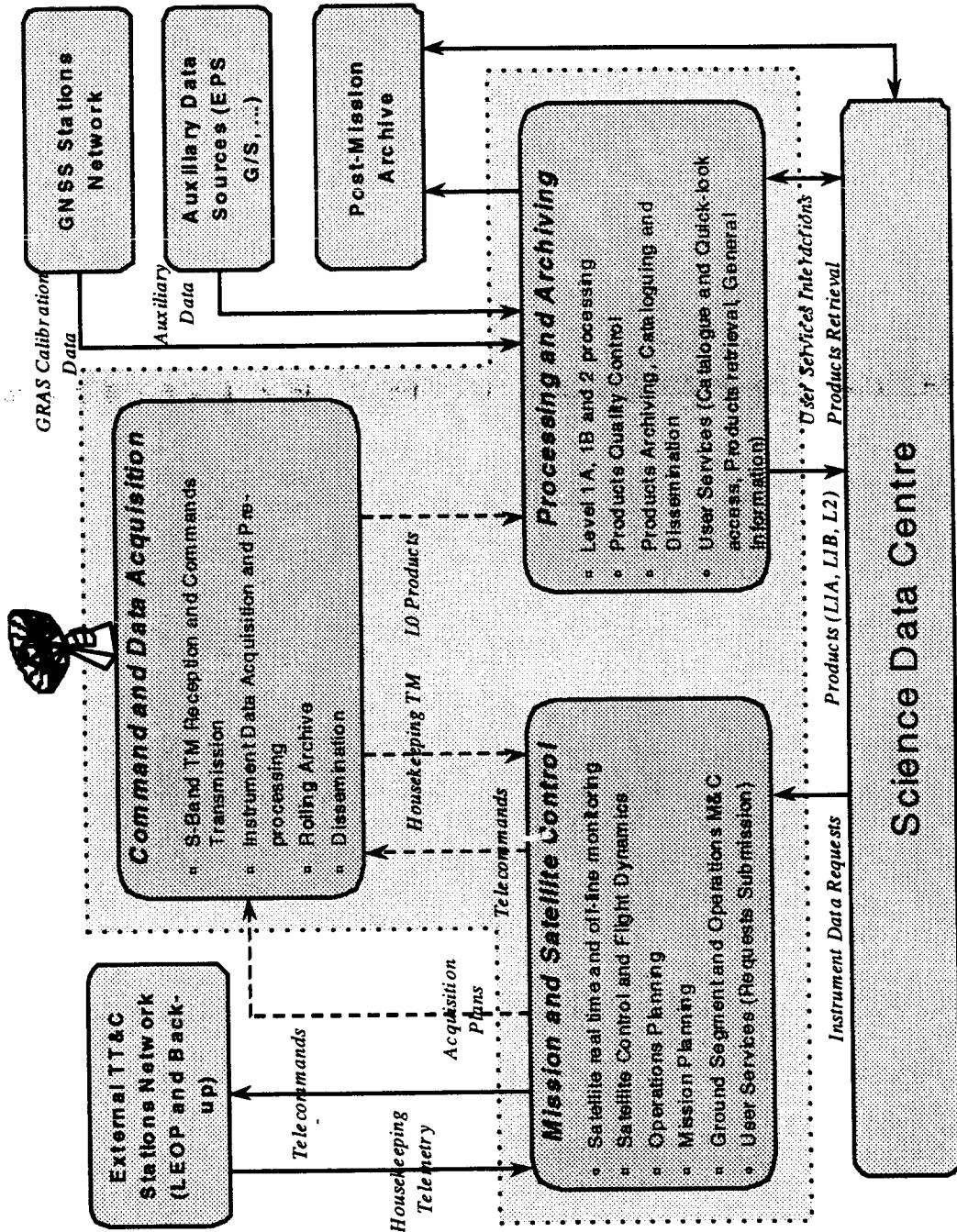
<i>ERM PLATFORM</i>	<i>488 kg</i>	<i>ERM PLATFORM</i>	<i>253 W</i>
Structure / Thermal	174	Thermal	41
Power/ Solar array / Harness	179	Harness	10
AOCS/ Propulsion	77	AOCS	11
OBDH / Communications	58	OBDH	64
		Communications	22

<i>ERM SATELLITE</i>	<i>804 kg</i>	<i>ERM SATELLITE</i>	<i>743 W</i>
Contingency (20%)	161	Cont/Loss (20 %)	
PROPELLANT (2 yr life at 410 km)	35		

TOTAL SATELLITE) *1000 kg** **TOTAL SATELLITE** *892 W**

* -*Proposal totals including GRAS, cooled CI and CERES BBR were 1106 kg and 1019 W*
-Launcher Capacity at 410 km is 1050 kg for Rockot and 1175 kg for Athena 2

Proposal Concept : Ground Segment Overview



ERM Programmatic Approach

- **The Cost concern**

- ⇒ Demonstrating that the Earth Radiation Mission is achievable within the budgetary envelope of an Earth Explorer mission, is recognised by MMS as a major goal of this phase A study

- **Programmatic Approach during the Study**

- ⇒ Cost will be a major driver in all technical trade-offs
- ⇒ Realistic cost targets have been established for each constituent of the system
- ⇒ Cost and schedule data will be maintained all along the study and permanently compared to these targets
- ⇒ The design will be based on a maximum re-use of available hardware
- ⇒ A cost effective development and procurement plan will be established
 - minimum number of models and maximum use of each model
 - minimum duration for each development phase
 - optimum management approach

Conclusions

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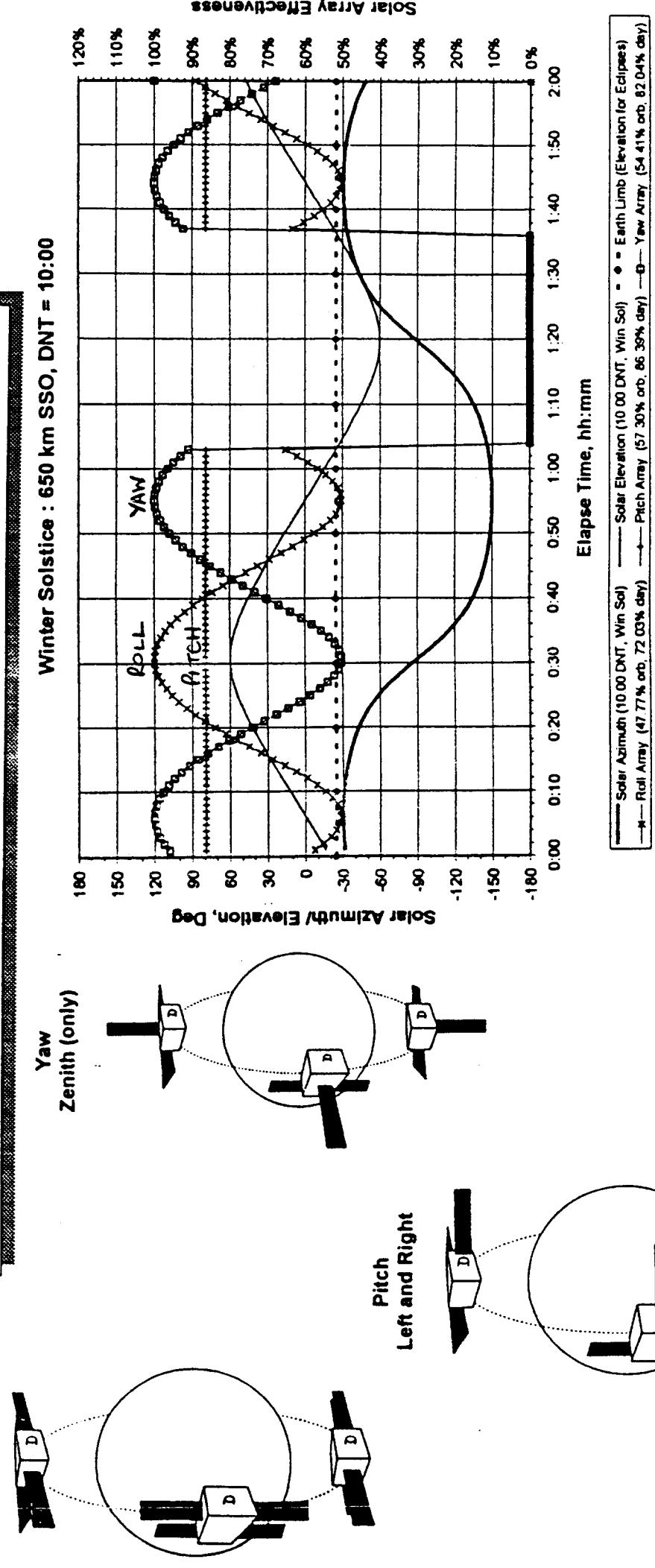
- Recent studies and technology developments related to the Earth Radiation mission / payloads and complementary assessments made by MMS within the frame of the ERM Phase A study clearly indicate that :
 - **The mission is achievable with a single spacecraft carrying the necessary active and passive payloads**
 - ⇒ The spacecraft design (including the payloads) is clearly feasible, based on available hardware and demonstrated technologies. Development may start now.
 - ⇒ The spacecraft mass and power should remain **below 1000 kg and 1000 W**, which makes the spacecraft compatible with a wide set of small to medium low cost launchers
 - ⇒ The development duration (including the payloads) should remain well below 5 years, compatible with a launch in early **2005**.
 - MMS is confident in demonstrating, through this phase A, that the **development cost remains well within the cost envelope of an Earth Explorer Mission.**

Small Platforms for ROKSAR

Sept 1997

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Fore and Aft Mounted

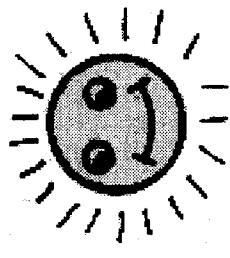
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III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
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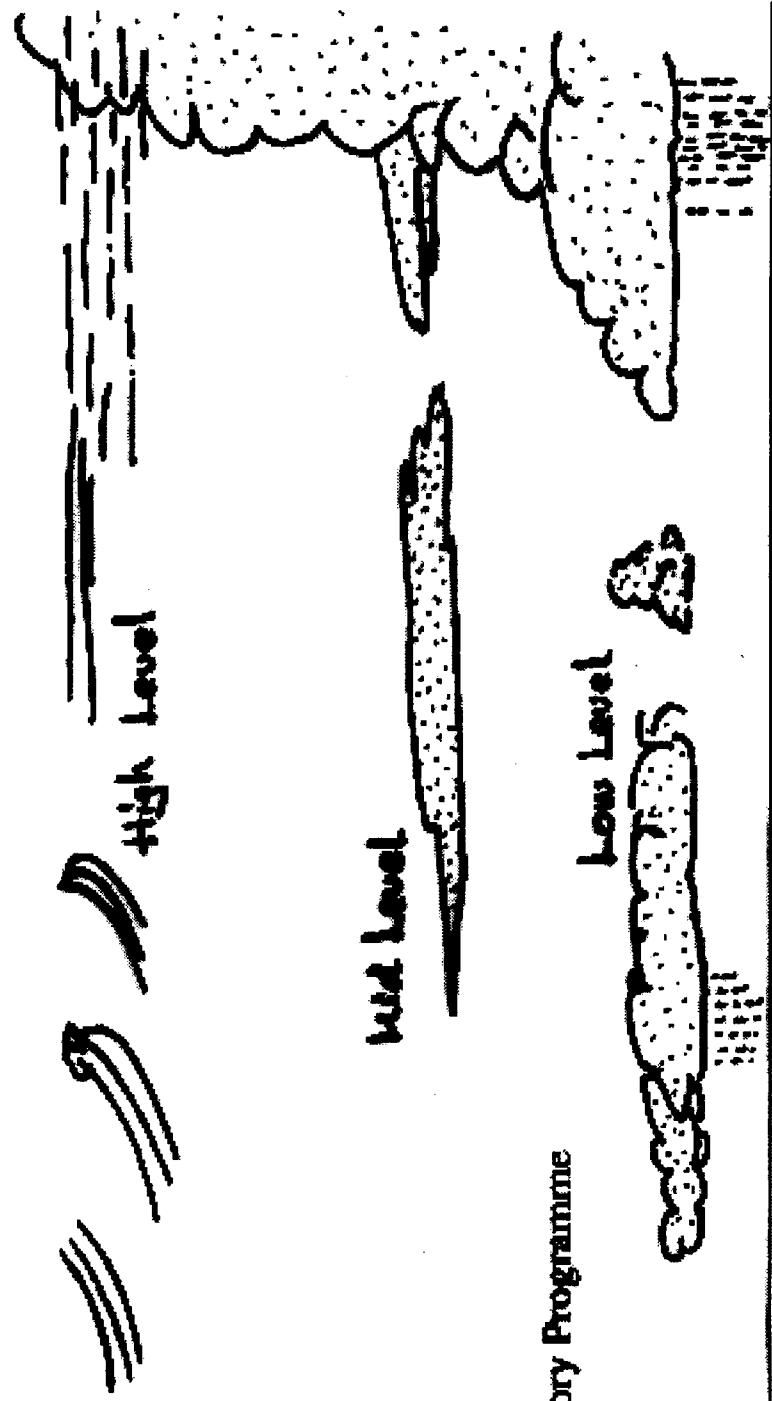
INTRODUCTION

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INTRODUCTION

Overview of Cloud Profiling Radar Activities



C.C. Lin

Earth Observation Preparatory Programme

Overview of the CPR Instrument/Technology Activities

- Instrument Preliminary Design: *Pre-phase A studies*
- Critical Technology Items: *94 GHz components/subsystems*
- Frequency Allocation: *94.0 - 94.1 GHz primary allocation obtained at WRC '97*

Instrument Studies

- 93 - 94: Millimeter-Wave Spaceborne Cloud Radar Feasibility Study (GS)
ESTEC Contract No. 10298/93/NL/NB to MMS-UK
- 96 - 97: Millimeter-Wave Cloud Profiling Radar (MACSIM) Pre-Phase A Studies
(1) ESTEC Contract No. 11751/95/NL/CN to Dornier (D)
(2) ESTEC Contract No. 11752/95/NL/CN to Alcatel (F)
- 97 - (98): Feasibility Study of Advanced Cloud Radar Instrument (TRP)
ESTEC Contract No. 12647/97/NL/PA(SC) to Alcatel (F)

Technology Studies

- 95 - 96: Preparation for the Microwave Amplifier for Cloud Radar - Extended Interaction Klystron Amplifier
ESTEC Contract No. 11440/95/NL/CN to CPI (CDN) (formerly Varian)
- 95 - 96: Preparation for the Microwave Amplifier for Cloud Radar - TWT Amplifier
ESTEC Contract No. 11494/95/NL/CN to Thomson TE (F)
- 95 - 96: Electronic Power Conditioner for a 94 GHz Klystron (Part I) and TWT (Part II)
ESTEC P/O 144217 to Dornier (D)
- 95 - (98): Spaceborne Cloud Radar Critical Subsystem Breadboarding (TRP)
ESTEC Contract No. 11519/95/NL/PB to Officine Galileo (I)
- 98 - (2000): 94 GHz Test Vehicle - Extended Interaction Klystron (GSTP + EOPP)
ESTEC Contract No. 12829/98/NL/NB to CPI (CDN)

- 98 - (2000): Cloud Radar LNA/Down Converter (GSTP)
ESTEC Contract No. XXXXXX/98/NL/NB to Ylinen (FIN)
- 99 - (2000): Cloud Radar Critical Technologies - Up Conversion/Driver Amp. (TRP)
- 99 - (2000): Spaceborne Weather Radar Antenna (TRP)

Frequency Compatibility Study

- 95 - 98: Study of Protective Measures for MMW Radiotelescopes against
Interferences Generated by Spaceborne Cloud Profiling Radar
ESTEC Contract No. 11704/NL/PB to Oerlikon-Contraves (I)

MACSIM Requirements Specification

- Frequency: **94.05 GHz** → sensitivity vs. attenuation
- Antenna pointing: **Fixed nadir** → spatial sampling issue
- Vertical resolution: **500 m (350 m)** → cloud top/bottom localisation
- Minimum sensitivity: **$\leq -33 \text{ dBZ}$ (-30 dBZ) (for 10 km integration)**
- Radiometric accuracy: **$\leq 1.7 \text{ dB}$**
- Ground clutter: **$\leq -33 \text{ dBZ}$** → range sidelobes control

Minimum Sensitivity $\leq -30 \text{ dBZ}$

$$\eta = 10^{-6} \times \frac{\pi^5}{\lambda^4} \times |K|^2 \times z \quad [m^{-1}] \quad : \text{per-unit-volume scattering cross-section}$$

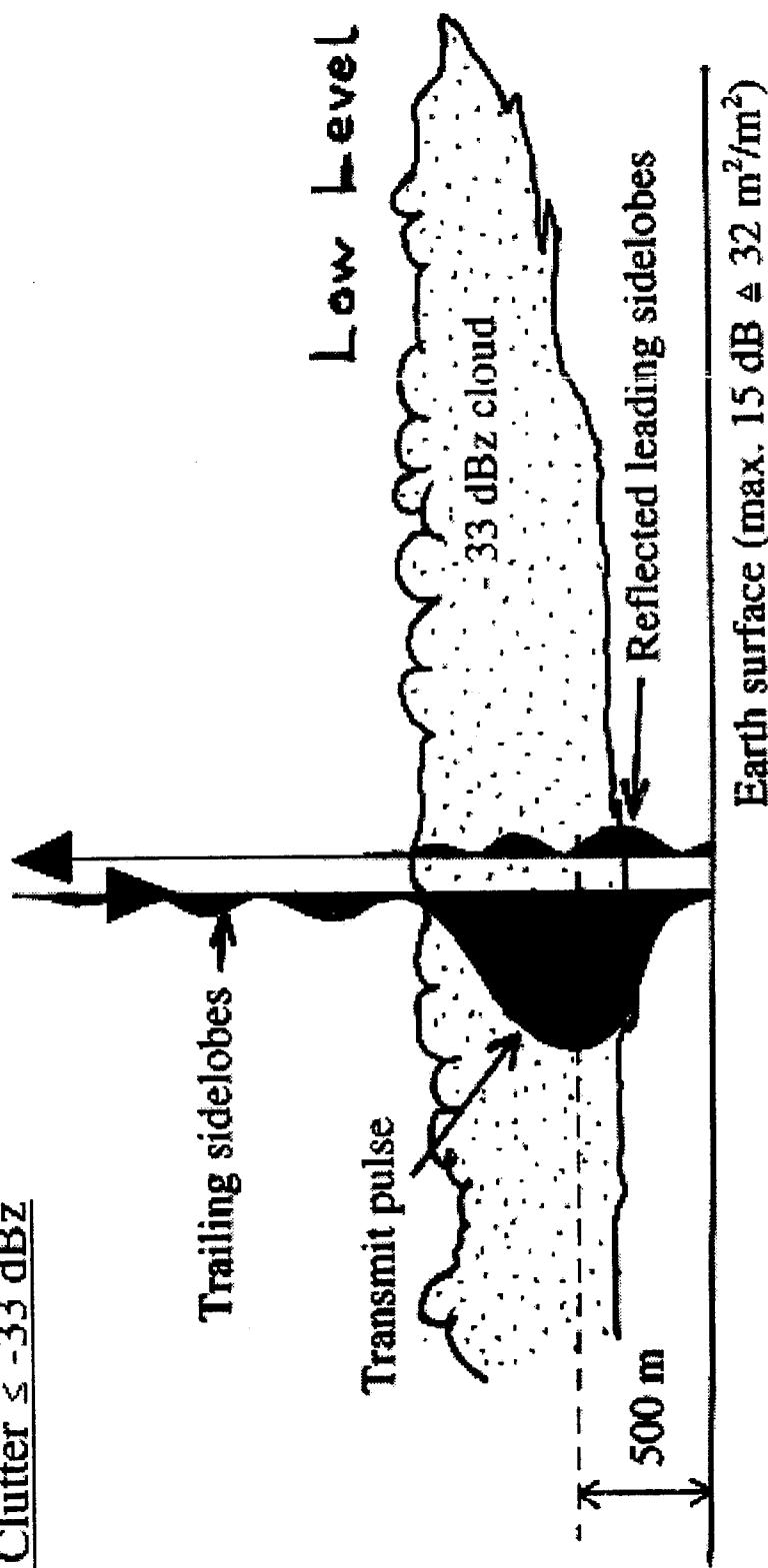
z : radar reflectivity factor

$$z = \int_0^{\infty} D^6 N(D) dD \quad [mm^6 m^{-3}] \quad \leftrightarrow \quad Z = 10 \times \log z \quad [dBZ]$$

$$z \leq 10^{-3} \text{ mm}^6 \text{m}^{-3} \quad \leftrightarrow \quad Z \leq -30 \text{ dBZ}$$

\triangleq One droplet of $\varnothing 0.32 \text{ mm per } m^3 !!!$

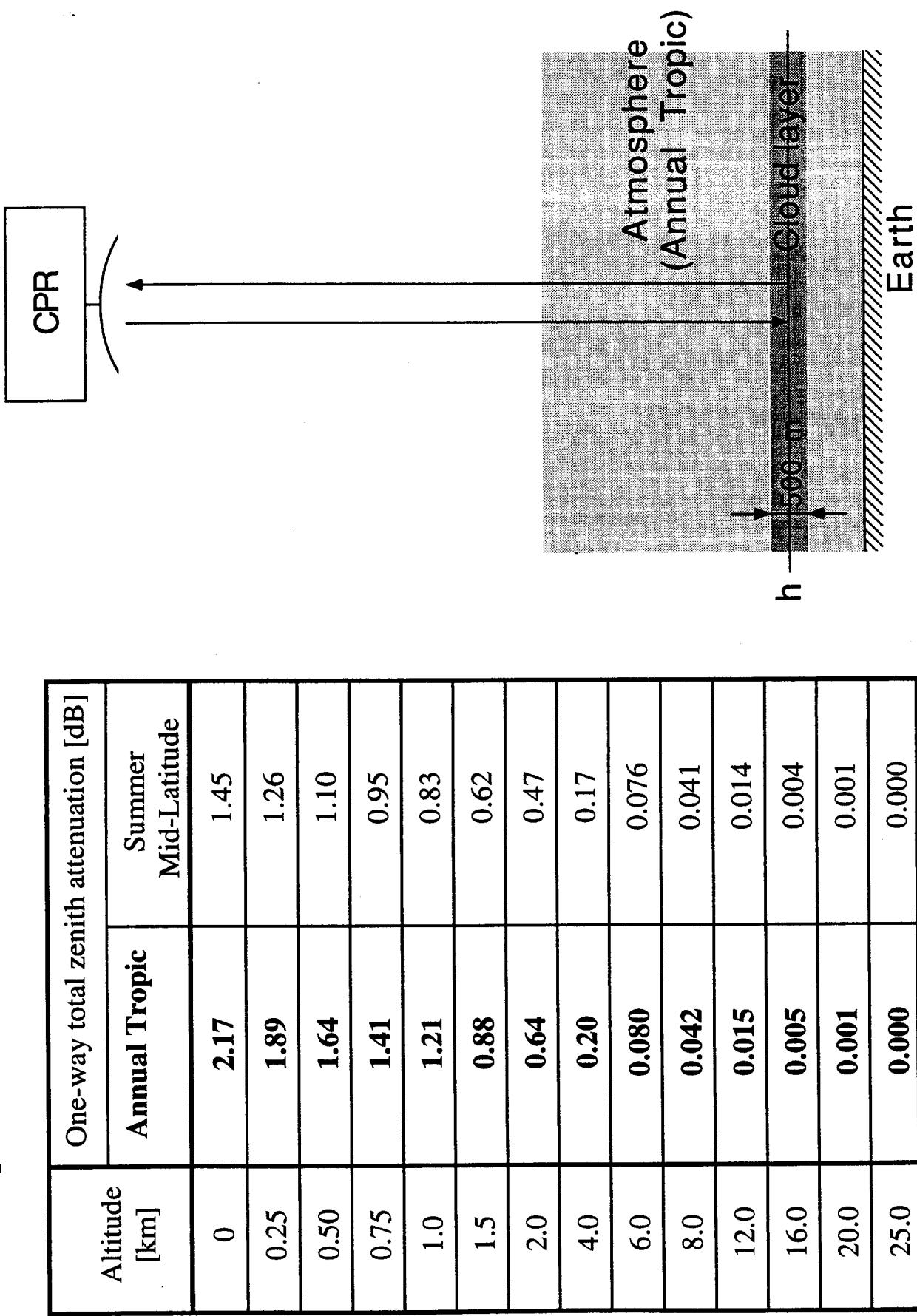
Ground Clutter $\leq -33 \text{ dBZ}$



► Range sidelobe ratio $> 80 \text{ dB}$ at one resolution cell distance !

PULSE COMPRESSION IS IMPOSSIBLE !

Clear Atmospheric Attenuation



Sensitivity for a single cloud layer of 500 m thickness (10 km integration)

Altitude [km]	Alcatel design	Dornier design
0.25	-32.8 dBZ	-31.7 dBZ
2.0	-35.9 dBZ	-34.8 dBZ
4.0	-37.2 dBZ	-36.1 dBZ
6.0	-37.5 dBZ	-36.4 dBZ
8.0	-37.7 dBZ	-36.6 dBZ
12.0	-37.8 dBZ	-36.7 dBZ
16.0	-37.9 dBZ	-36.8 dBZ
20.0	-38.0 dBZ	-36.9 dBZ

III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT

A. CLOUD PROFILING RADAR (CPR) CONCEPTS AND TECHNOLOGIES

**CLOUD PROFILING RADAR; CONCEPT STUDY
RESULTS**

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Cloud Profiling Radar

Concept Study Results

Instrument Pre-phase A Study:

performed from April 1996 to July 1997

ERM Phase A Study:

kicked-off 3 rd July 1998

Dornier Satellitensysteme

Dr. H.R. Schulte, Dr. S. Riegger, U. Mallow

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1. Status of Requirements (extract only)

	MACSIM Pre-phase A	ERM-CPR Phase A	Comment
Mission Lifetime	4 years	2 years	Relaxation
Orbit Altitude	500 - 600 km	-	Possibly relaxed
Observed Altitude Range	0.25 to 25 km	0.5 to 20 km	Understood as centre of a sample
Along Track Integration	30 km	10 km	More stringent
Frequency	95 or 79 GHz	94.05 GHz	
Vertical Resolution	500 m	p: 500 m; s 350 m	
On-Board averaging	1 km x 1 km	1 km x 1 km	
Absolute radiometric Acc.	< 1.7 dB	< 1.7 dB	
Cloud base Location Acc.	250 m	250 m	
Absolute vertical position	-	50 m (10 m relative to ATLID)	new requirement
Top of Dynamic Range	20 dBZ	20 dBZ	
Bottom of Dynamic Range	-30 dBZ	p: -33 dBZ; s: -30 dBZ	More stringent
Cloud and Air Models	Specified via table	improved	relaxed
Cloud model	impossible to meet	three layer cloud model	relaxed

2. Selection of an Overall Instrument Concept

$$Z_{min} = \frac{1}{SNR} \cdot \frac{1}{radiometricResolution} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{looks}}}$$

Probability of Cloud Detection

Technology

Timing, Technology
and Cloud Base Detection

τ :	transmit pulse length
Δx_i :	on ground integration length
Δx :	vertical resolution
v_{gnd} :	ground track velocity of the satellite
P_o :	transmitter peak power
A_e :	antenna "taper" effective area
r :	radar range to the bottom cell
L_{atm} :	clear atmospheric one way loss
L_{TX} :	losses from HPA output to ant. feed
L_{ant} :	losses in antenna system incl. ohmic and spillover
c :	velocity of light
τ :	pulse length
K :	water dielectric constant
Z :	cloud reflectivity
λ :	wavelength
k :	Boltzmanns constant
T_{RX} :	eff. RX noise temp. at antenna interface (including receive path losses)
T_{ant} :	eff. scene temp. at antenna

$$Z_{min} = \frac{r^2 \cdot \lambda^4 \cdot L_{TX}^2 \cdot L_{Atm}^2 \cdot L_{ant}^2 \cdot (T_{RX} + T_{ant}) \cdot const}{P_0 \cdot \tau^2 \cdot (0.5 \cdot A_e) \cdot \left(k_{p0} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot \Delta x \cdot L_{proc} \cdot x_{int} \cdot PRF}{c \cdot \tau \cdot v_{gnd}}} - 1 \right)}$$

$$const = \frac{8\pi \cdot k}{c \cdot |K|^2 \cdot 10^{-18}}$$

2. Selection of an Overall Instrument Concept (2)

- Z_{\min} $\sim \text{PRF}^{-0.5}$ \Rightarrow Pulse repetition (number of look) should \nearrow
 - \Leftrightarrow Dual frequency unmodulated pulse system
 - $\sim r^2$ \Rightarrow orbit altitude should \nearrow
 - \Leftrightarrow System recommendation to low orbit altitudes
 - $\sim 1/P_0$
 - \Rightarrow Peak pulse power should \nearrow
 - \Leftrightarrow Pulse compression systems
 - however sidelobe requirements on the pulse-compression needed to reject ground clutter lead to severe processing losses and to subsystem performance parameters nearly impossible to meet, furthermore significant range-Doppler coupling introduces additional constraints (e.g. off-nadir geometry)
 - $\sim t^{-3/2}$ \Rightarrow determined by vertical resolution. Sensitivity improved by \nearrow

In order to define a simple and low cost CPR the single frequency unmodulated pulse system is selected.

3. Instrument Architecture

Cloud Profiling Radar (preliminary)

Type:
unmodulated

single frequency
pulse system

Geometry:
Nadir looking

PRF:
Adapted to the
orbit altitude

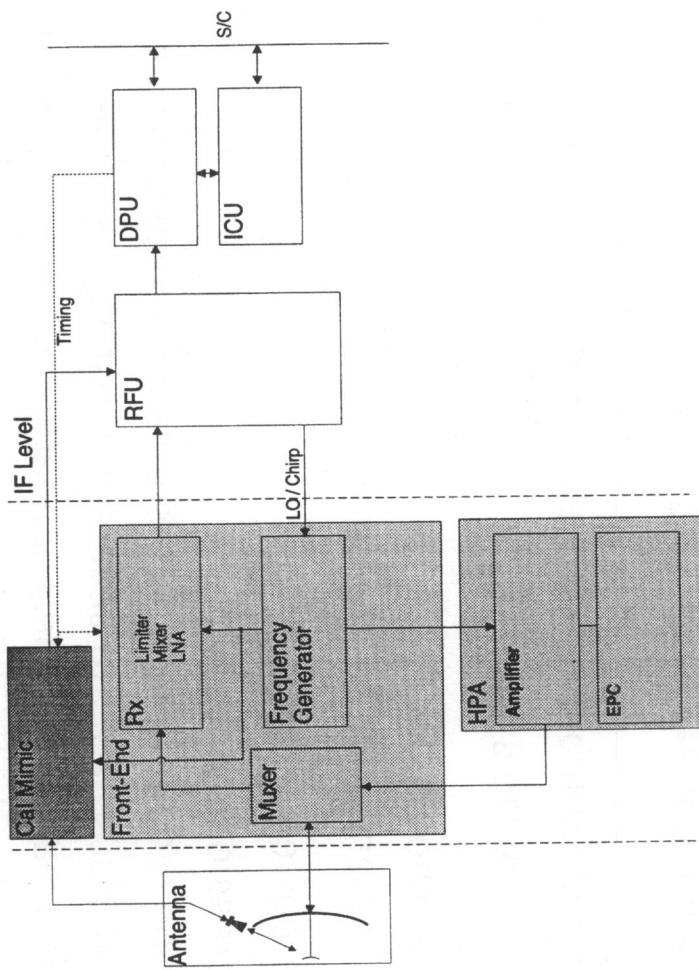
HPA Power:
about 1.5 KW

Primary
Power Demand: 195 W

Mass:
about 130 kg

Data Rate:
29.7 kbps

Antenna
Diameter:
1.5 - 2.5 m



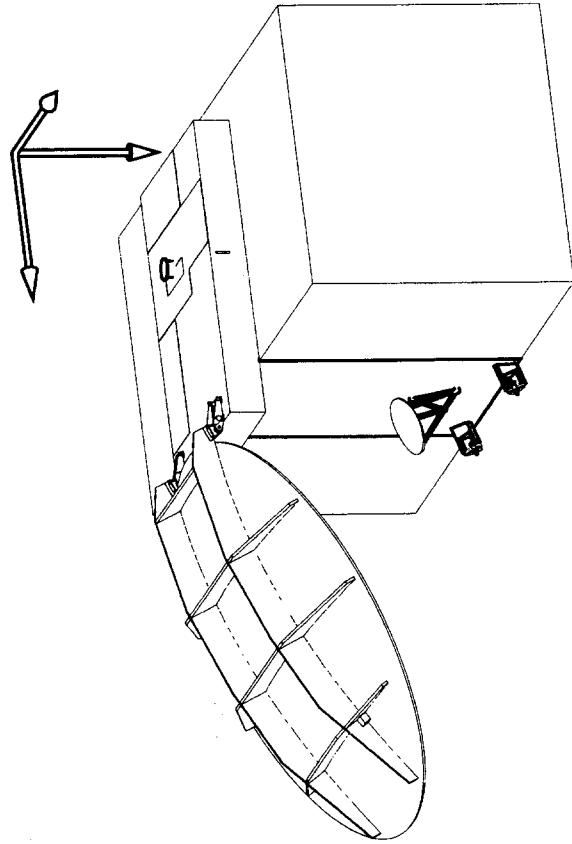
4. Antenna Reflector System

Constraints

- Footprint
- (Aperture size)

Findings

- Gaussian illumination function
- Surface error $\approx 300 \mu\text{m}$ [rms]
- $L_{\text{ant}} = 0.29 \text{ dB}$
- $T_{\text{ant}} = 290 \text{ K}$



Reflector Concept Alternatives

- Front-fed parabolic reflector
- Front-fed Cassegrain reflector
 - Off-fed parabolic
 - Dual-offset Cassegrain

Dual-offset is selected because of

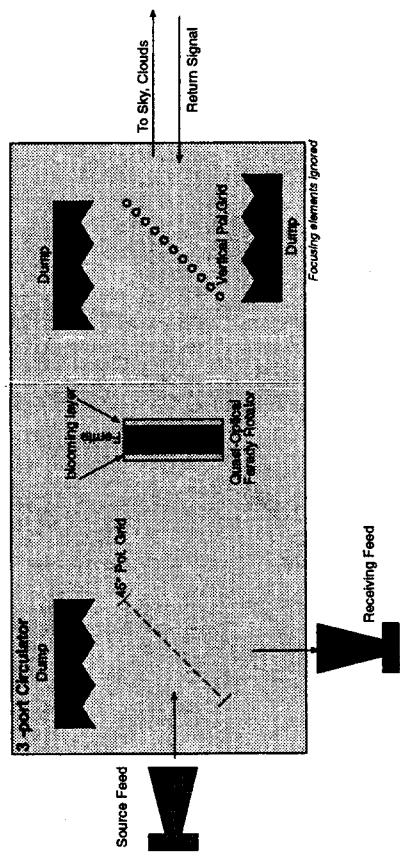
- ✓ highest performance
- ✓ optimum location of all RF equipment
- ✓ minor impact on manufacturing costs

5. Multiplexer: Quasi-Optical System versus Waveguide System

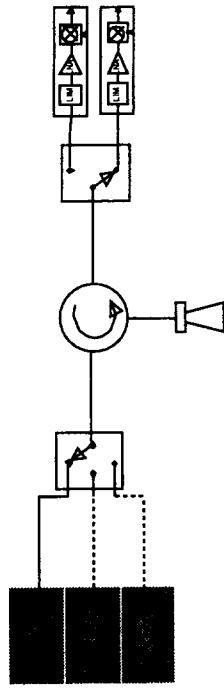
Functions/Requirements

- Combination of receive and transmit channel to enable use of a single antenna for both channels
- $P_{\text{peak}} \approx 1.5 \text{ kW}$
- $P_{\text{mean}} \approx 50 \text{ W}$
- Isolation $> 30 \text{ dB}$

Quasi Optics



Waveguide



Waveguide	Quasi-Optics
• H/W availability difficult e.g. circulators at 94 GHz and 1.5 kW peak power	• Faraday rotator enables decoupling
• Waveguide losses	• Thermal load on Faraday rotator
• limited distance between HPA and LNA (to be cooled)	• Accommodation flexibility for LNA
• $L_{\text{TX}} \approx 3.5 \text{ dB}$	• Cloud reflection maintains polarisation
• $L_{\text{RX}} \approx 1.9 \text{ dB}$	• $L_{\text{RX}} = L_{\text{TX}} \approx 0.83 \text{ dB}$

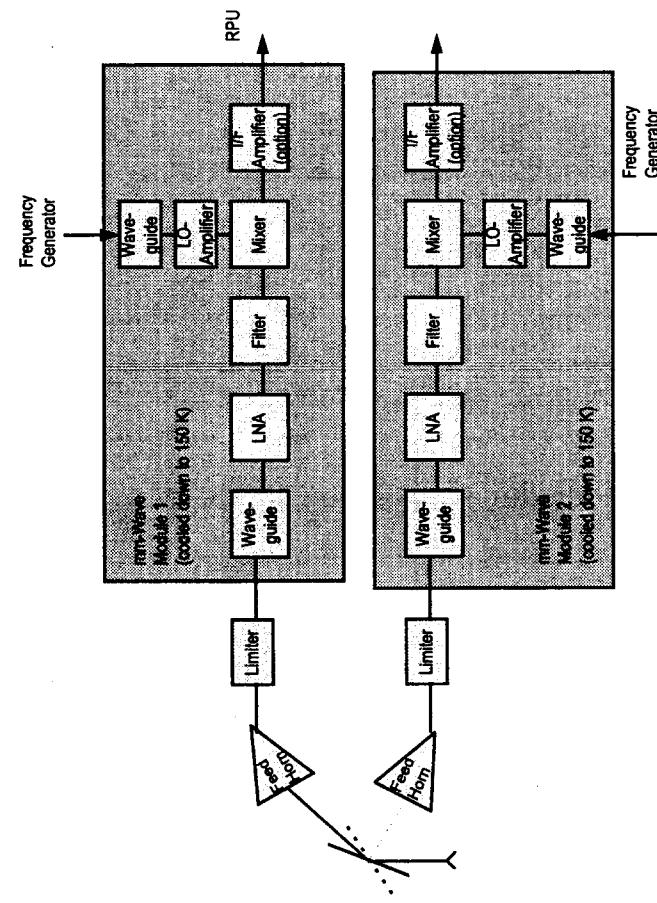
6. Receiver

Functional Requirements

- Coupling in of RF signals
- Input stage power protection (T_x signal)
- Amplification of received signal
- Signal down conversion (≈ 9 GHz)
- LO conditioning

Issues

- Losses are high (with today products)
- Number of products available is limited because of a limited market
 - Cooling of LNA could provide improvement of up to 2 dBZ



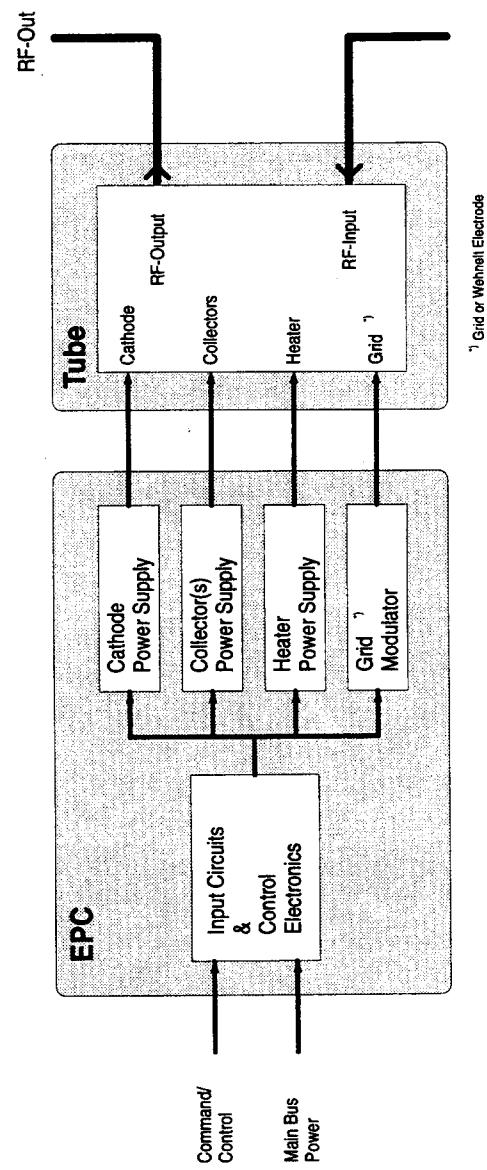
7. Transmitter

Functional Requirements

- Amplification of RF transmit signal
- Low interpulse noise
- Conditioning of power supply

Selection Criteria

- High peak power output
- Frequency range
- Lifetime (≈ 20000 h)
- Availability

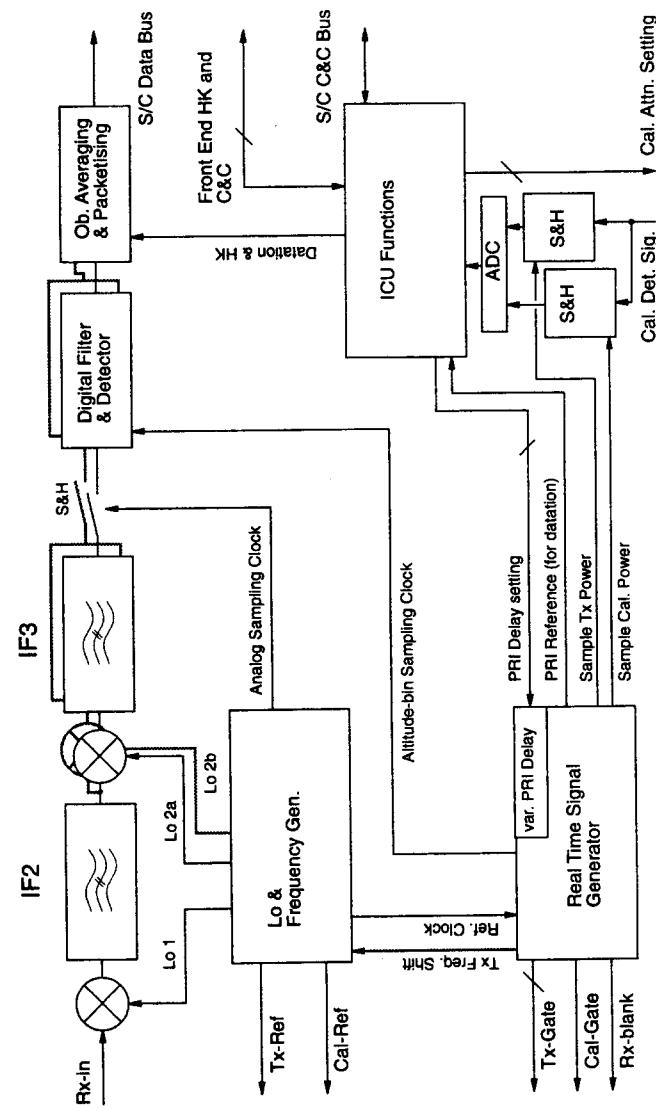


EIK	TWT	EPC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available Klystron for terrestrial applications • some improvements needed to reach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - higher efficiency - longer lifetime - thermal environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • available design principles for space applications • lower cathode current (6 A/cm^2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> but higher cathode voltage (-35 kV) difficulties w.r.t. accommodation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing design *), however some modifications needed • Grid/Wehnelt control with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - high voltage swing (2.1 kV) - high beam-on voltage accuracy ($\pm 2 \text{ V}$) - short rise time (100 ns) *) mass reduction possible with new design

8. Support Functions and Processing

Main Functions/ Requirements

- Signal conversion, filtering, detection, digitalisation and integration
- Provision of oscillator signals, clock and timing
- Interface with S/C
- Minimisation of processing losses



Alternative Signal Processing Concepts

- Employing a filter derived from low-pass filter
- Employing a filter derived from a matched filter



9. Performance Predictions

Erst Qualitätsmessung
- cloud profiling radar

Requirement	(ERM)	Characteristics	MACSIM	ERM-CPR
Vertical resolution				
• primary	500 m	Pulse length 3.34 μ s	500 m	500 m
• secondary	350 m	Pulse length 2.33 μ s		350 m
Horizontal resolution	1 km x 1 km	Antenna dia. 2.5 m	1 km x 0.78 km	1 km x 0.78 km
Abs. rad. accuracy	1.7 dB		1.4 dB	1.43 dB
Top dyn. range	20 dBZ		27.5 dBZ	27.5 dBZ
Bottom dyn. range				
• primary	-33 dBZ	LNA temp. 150 K	-34.06 dBZ ¹⁾	-32.76 dBZ
• secondary	-30 dBZ	Orbit altitude 500 km		-29.76 dBZ
Cloud base location	250 m		165 m	n/c
PRF min		(change due to observation range change)	4281 Hz	6278 Hz
PRF max			4511 Hz	6615 Hz

1) without cloud model attenuation and at 30 km integration distance

III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
A. CLOUD PROFILING RADAR (CPR)
CONCEPTS AND TECHNOLOGIES

CLOUD PROFILING RADAR CONCEPT STUDY

I. PHALIPPOU, ALCATEL

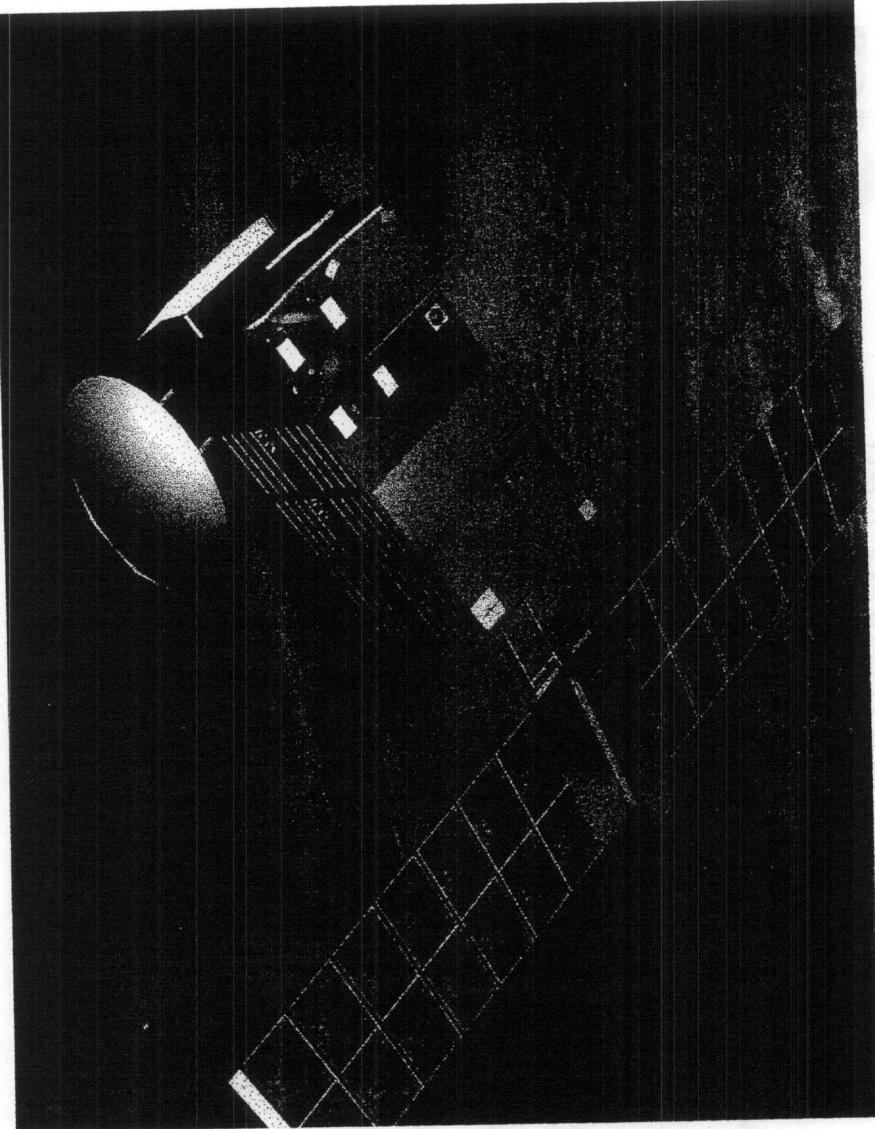
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Cloud Profiling Radar
concept study



MACSIM

Millimeter Active Cloud Structure Imaging Mission



CONTEXT

Results of a pre-phase A study funded by ESA and led by ALCATEL ESPACE with five other European companies :

- ◊ ALCATEL ESPACE (France) for system part
- ◊ CETIP (France) for expertise on mission analysis
- ◊ CASA (Spain) for antenna s/s and RF distribution
- ◊ SAAB ERICSSON SPACE (Sweden) for Digital Electronics s/s
- ◊ OERLIKON CONTRAVES (Italy) for RF s/s & EPC of HPA s/s
- ◊ CPI (Canada) for HPA s/s (tube alternative)

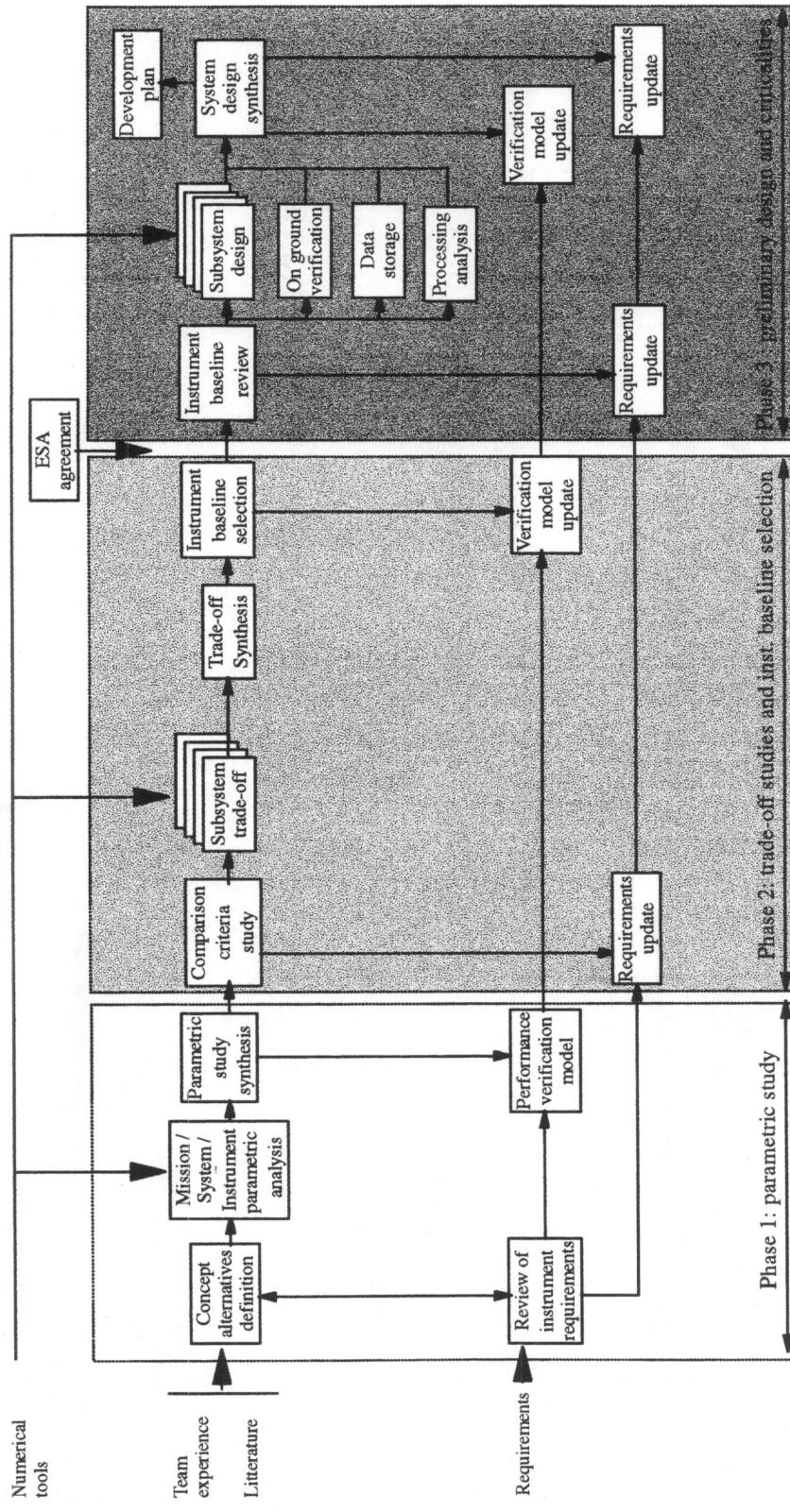
Cloud Profiling Radar

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Alcatel



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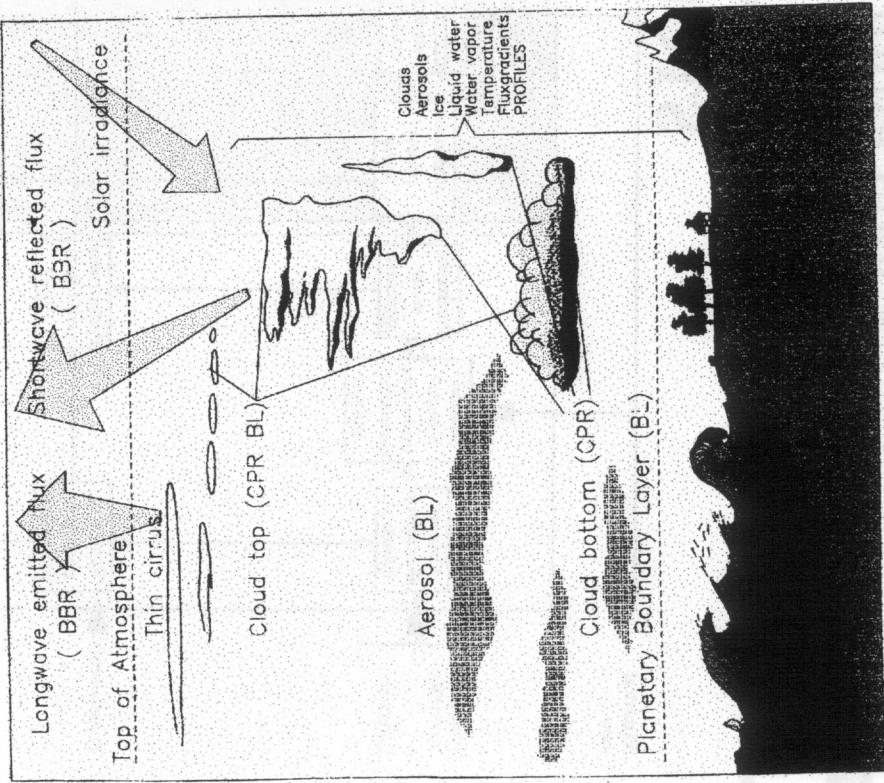
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STUDY OBJECTIVE

Definition of a preliminary design of a fixed looking spaceborne cloud radar, one of the two main instruments of ESA Earth Explorer Radiation Mission.



BBR = broadband radiometer

BL = backscatter lidar

CPR = cloud profiling radar

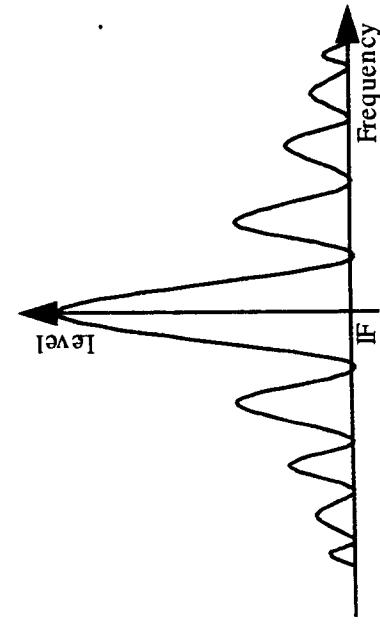
Main instrument requirements

- ◊ Satellite altitude : between 500 and 600 km
- ◊ Radar frequency : 95 of 79 GHz (W-band)
- ◊ Observation window : 0.25 km (des.) - 0.75 km (acc.) to 25 km
- ◊ Cloud detection : -30 dBZ to +20 dBZ
- ◊ Vertical resolution : 250 m (des.) to 500 m (acc.)
- ◊ Footprint resolution : lower than 1 km
- ◊ Total radiometric accuracy : lower than 1.7 dB (integration distance of 30 km)
- ◊ Localisation accuracy of cloud base altitude : lower than ± 250 m
- ◊ Instruments interfaces :
 - mass lower than 250 kg and
 - power consumption lower than 250 W

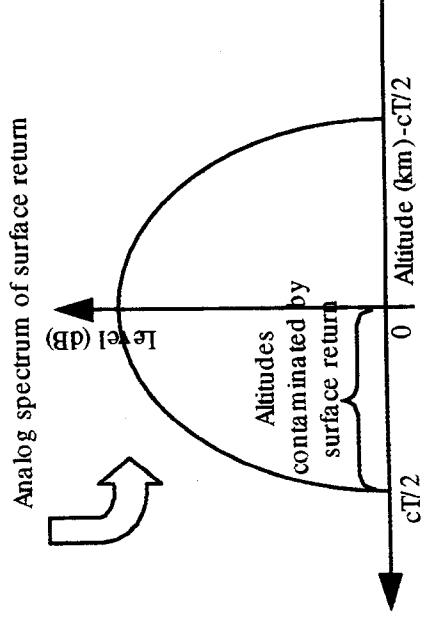
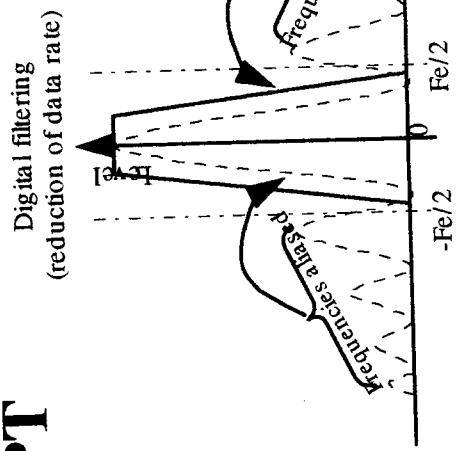
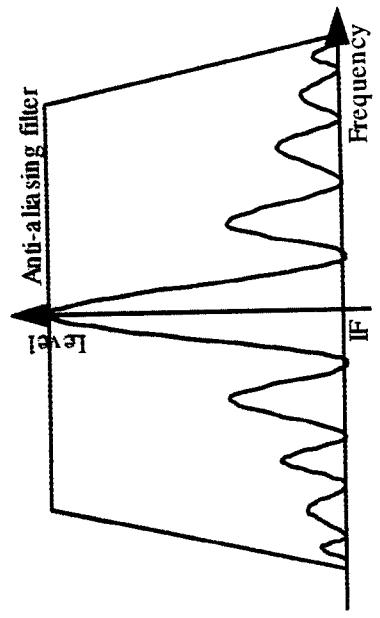
INSTRUMENT CONCEPT

- ◊ Transmission of an unmodulated pulse (CW pulse)
 - ➔ width proportionnal to vertical resolution
- ◊ No pulse compression technique is implemented due to the too high contamination of the weak cloud echoes through the sidelobes of the compressed surface return.
- ◊ Pulse duration $\sim 3.33 \mu\text{s}$
- ◊ Matched filtering of received echoes
 - ➔ thermal noise filtering
 - ➔ theoretical PTR width = twice pulse width
 - ➔ pulse width \leq blind layer

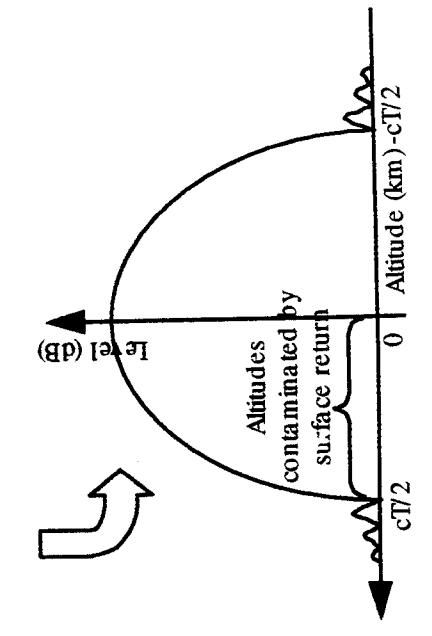
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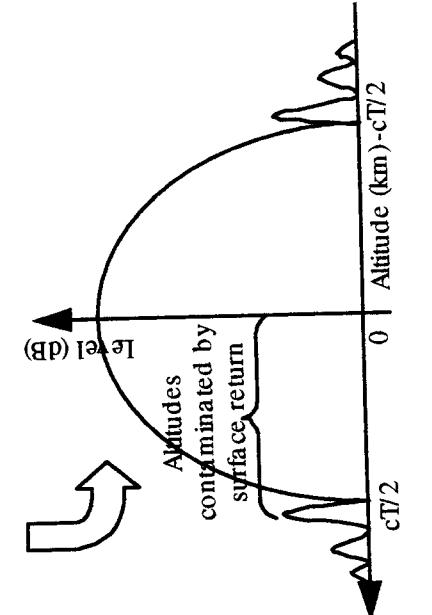
Analog spectrum of surface return



Point target response



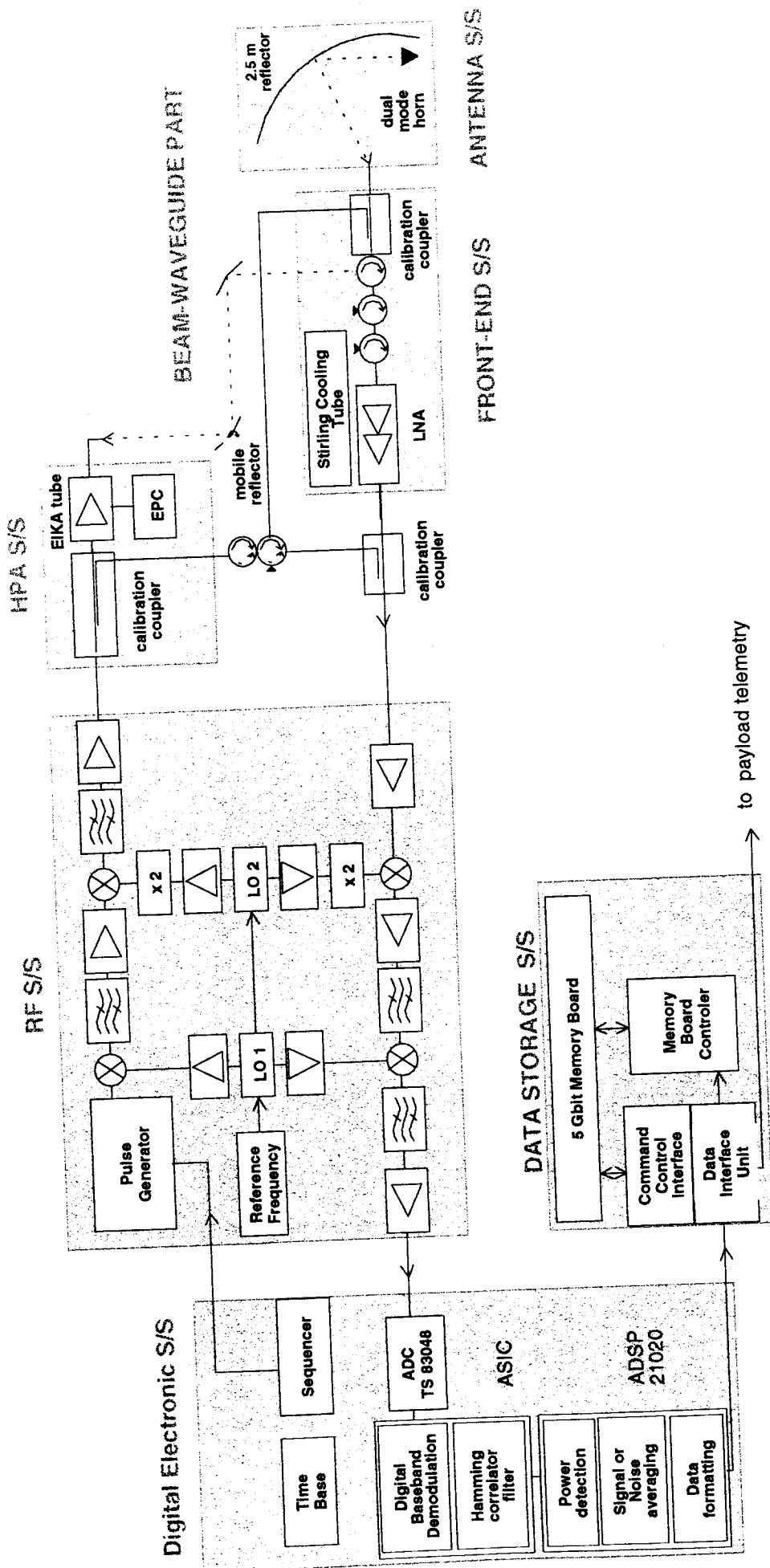
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Point target response

► degradation of the minimum detectable cloud altitude (blind layer)

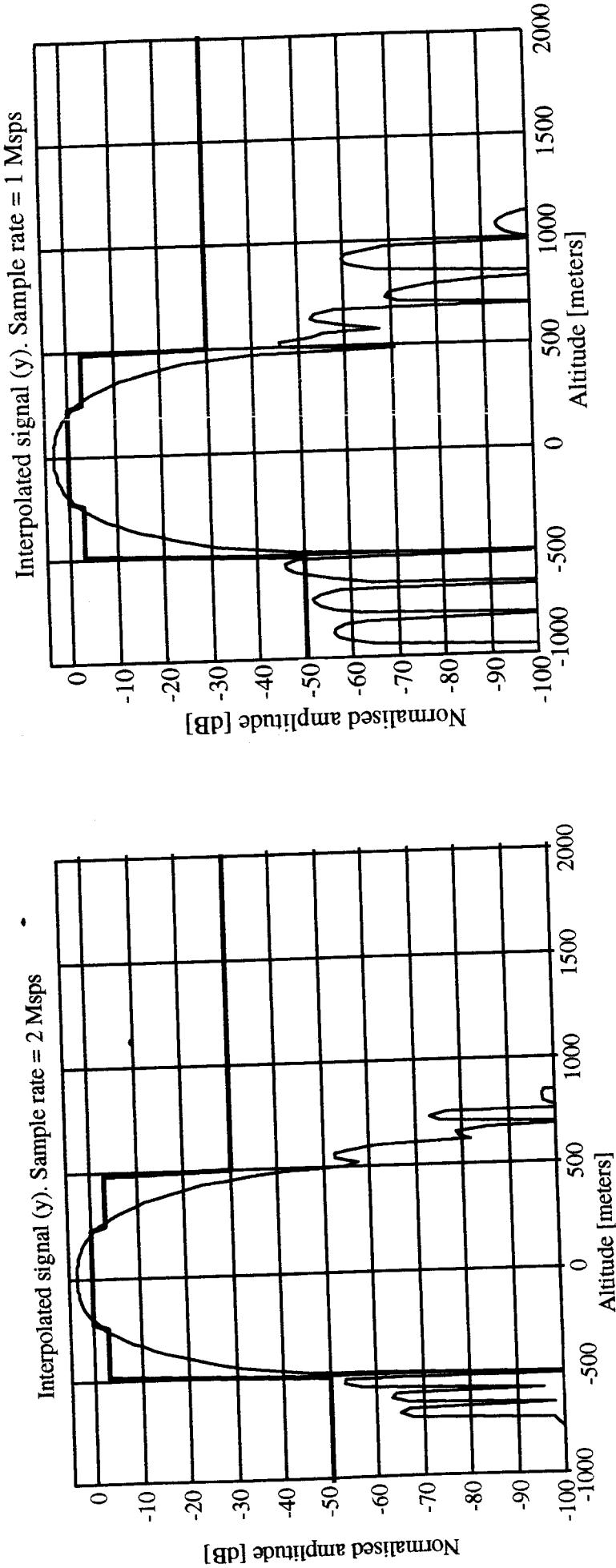
MACSIM INSTRUMENT BLOCK DIAGRAM



DIGITAL SUBSYSTEM

- ◊ Pulse control unit
- ◊ ADC & digital amplitude phase demodulation
- ◊ Processing unit (pulse correlation + detection + averaging)
 - signal acquisition window 170 μ s
 - signal acquisition frequency 4.4 kHz
 - noise acquisition window 20 μ s before signal acquisition
 - correlation filter with Hamming window
 - averaging time 0.14 s (1 km)
 - output data rate 2.0 MHz
- ◊ Sequencer

DIGITAL SUBSYSTEM

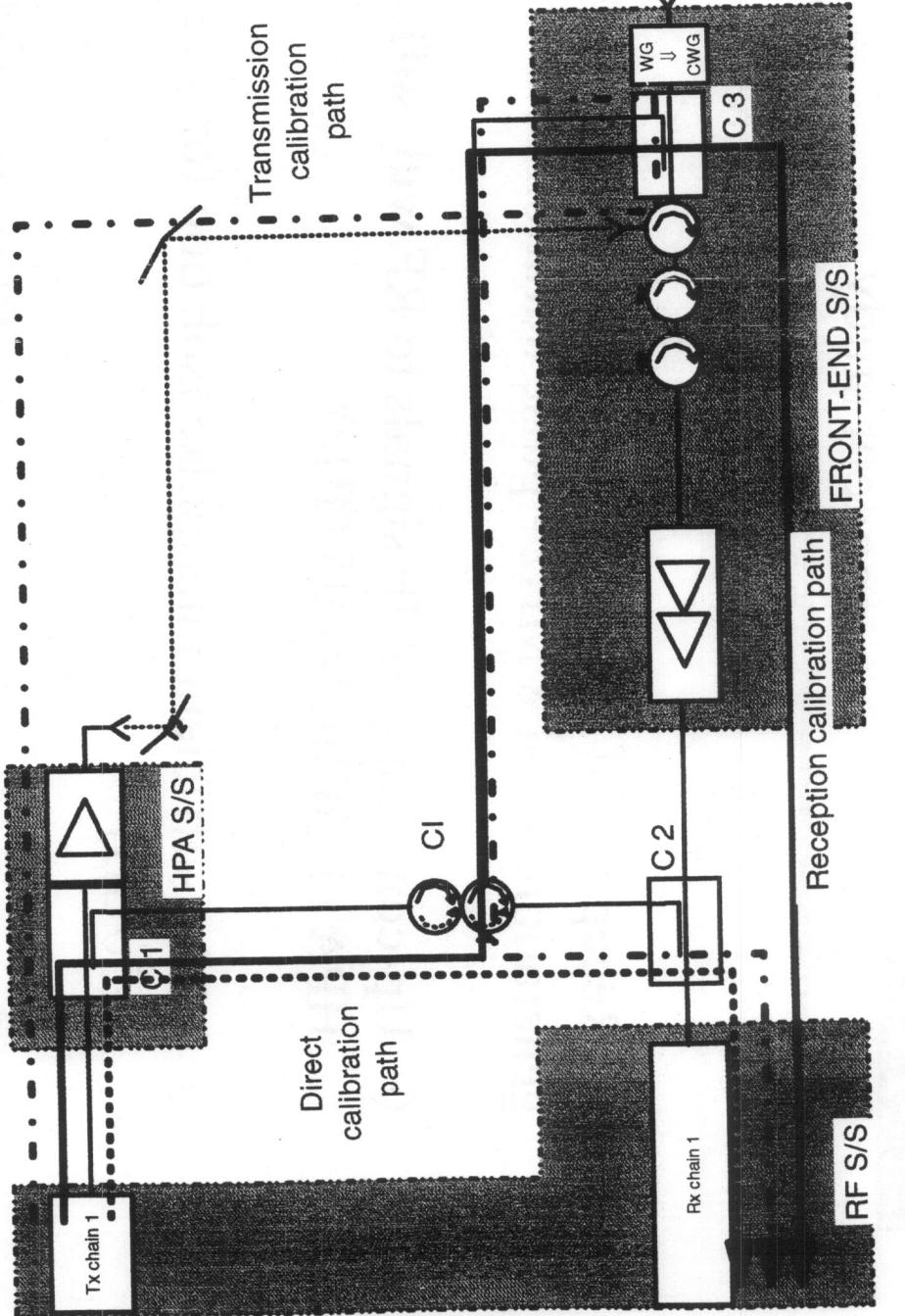


Resampled correlated pulse response for Hamming window $T_p = 3.33 \mu\text{s}$.
Simulated input amplitude is according to a reflectivity of +50 dBZ and normalised to +20 dBZ
(receiver chain and the ADC is driven in saturation mode)

RF SUBSYSTEM

- ◊ Reception of control signal from DE s/s for pulse generation (IF of 8 MHz - pulse duration of 3.33 µs)
- ◊ Up-conversion of IF signals to RF with sufficient power for HPA (15 dBm for 95 GHz)
- ◊ Make sufficient inter pulse isolation for reception protection (~50 dB)
- ◊ Down-conversion of received RF echoes to IF
- ◊ Creation of a synchronous frequency for RF and DE s/s (32 MHz)

INTERNAL CALIBRATION PRINCIPLE



HPA SUBSYSTEM

- Amplification of RF signals from RF s/s

- ◊ 1.7 kW output peak power at 95 GHz (existing EIK from CPI)
 - ◊ 1.9 kW output peak power at 79 GHz (has to be scaled from existing EIK at 95 GHz)
 - ◊ Critical point is cathode lifetime : 4 tubes required for a 4 year mission with sufficient reliability
- ◊ 15%-17% efficiency (~20-25% for tube with depressed collector)

FRONT-END SUBSYSTEM

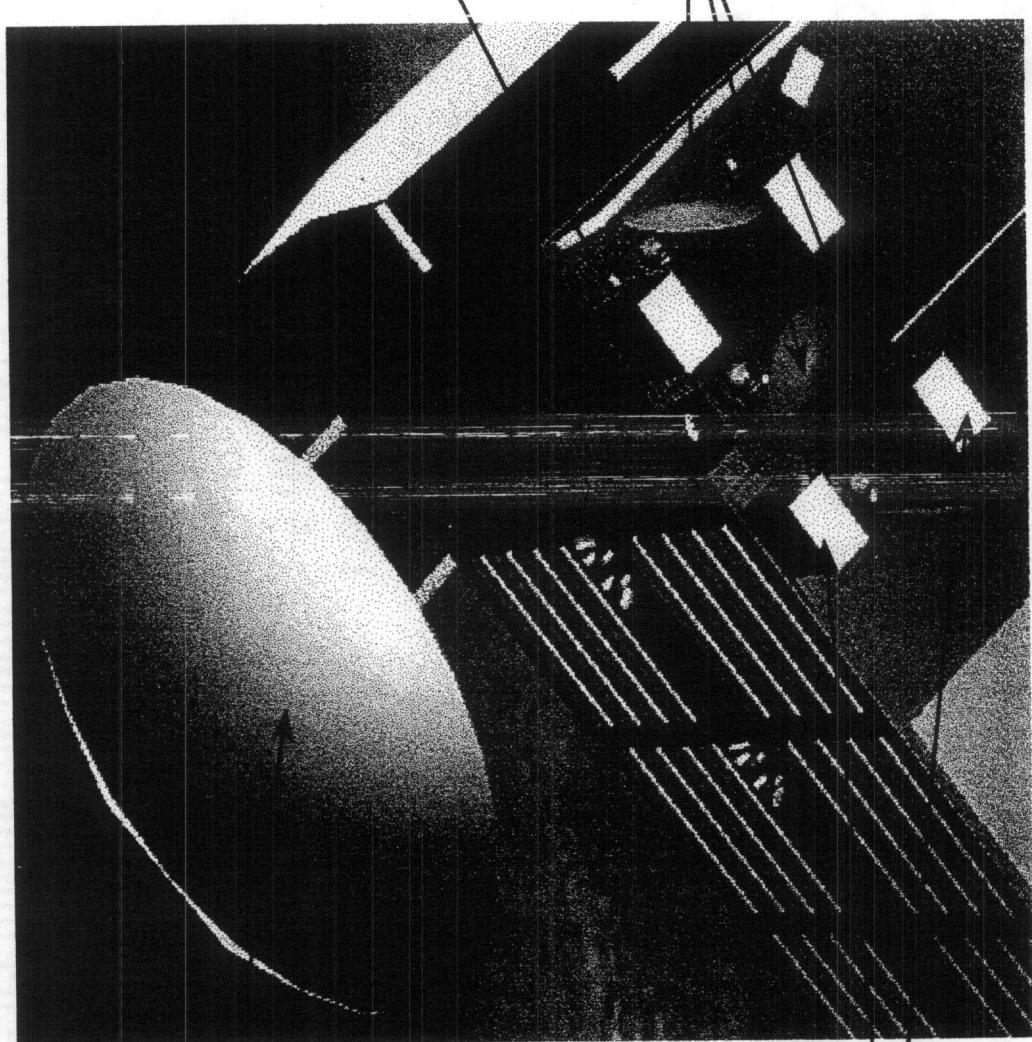
- ◊ Low Noise Amplification of RF echoes
 - LNA noise figure : 4.0 dB (95 GHz without cooled)
 - 2.5 dB (95 GHz cooled at 150 K by a Stirling Tube)
 - 3.5 dB (79 GHz without cooler)
 - 2.3 dB (79 GHz cooled at 150 K by a Stirling Tube)
- ◊ Receiver isolation from transmit chain power leakages
 - Two ferrite isolators (0.5 dB losses)
- ◊ Connexion to calibration s/s
- ◊ Redundancy switching for LNA

HIGH POWER RF DISTRIBUTION

At the HPA output, the high level signal is distributed with a Beam
Waveguide device based upon reflectors and horns

- reduction of transmission losses :
 - BWG : 0.6 dB (95 and 79 GHz)
 - WR10 (95 GHz) : 1.8 dB/m
 - WR12 (79 GHz) : 2.5 dB/m
 - Cylindrical WG : 0.1 dB + 0.5 dB/m + 0.15n dB (95 GHz)
 - Cylindrical WG : 0.1 dB + 0.67 dB/m + 0.15n dB (95 GHz)
- innovative technique at millimeter-wave frequencies
- interesting for tube redundancy (rotating reflectors directly replace redundancy switches)

BEAM WAVEGUIDE IMPLEMENTATION



Antenna
reflector
(2.5 m)

EIKA
subsystems

Dual mode
horns +
waveguide
circulator

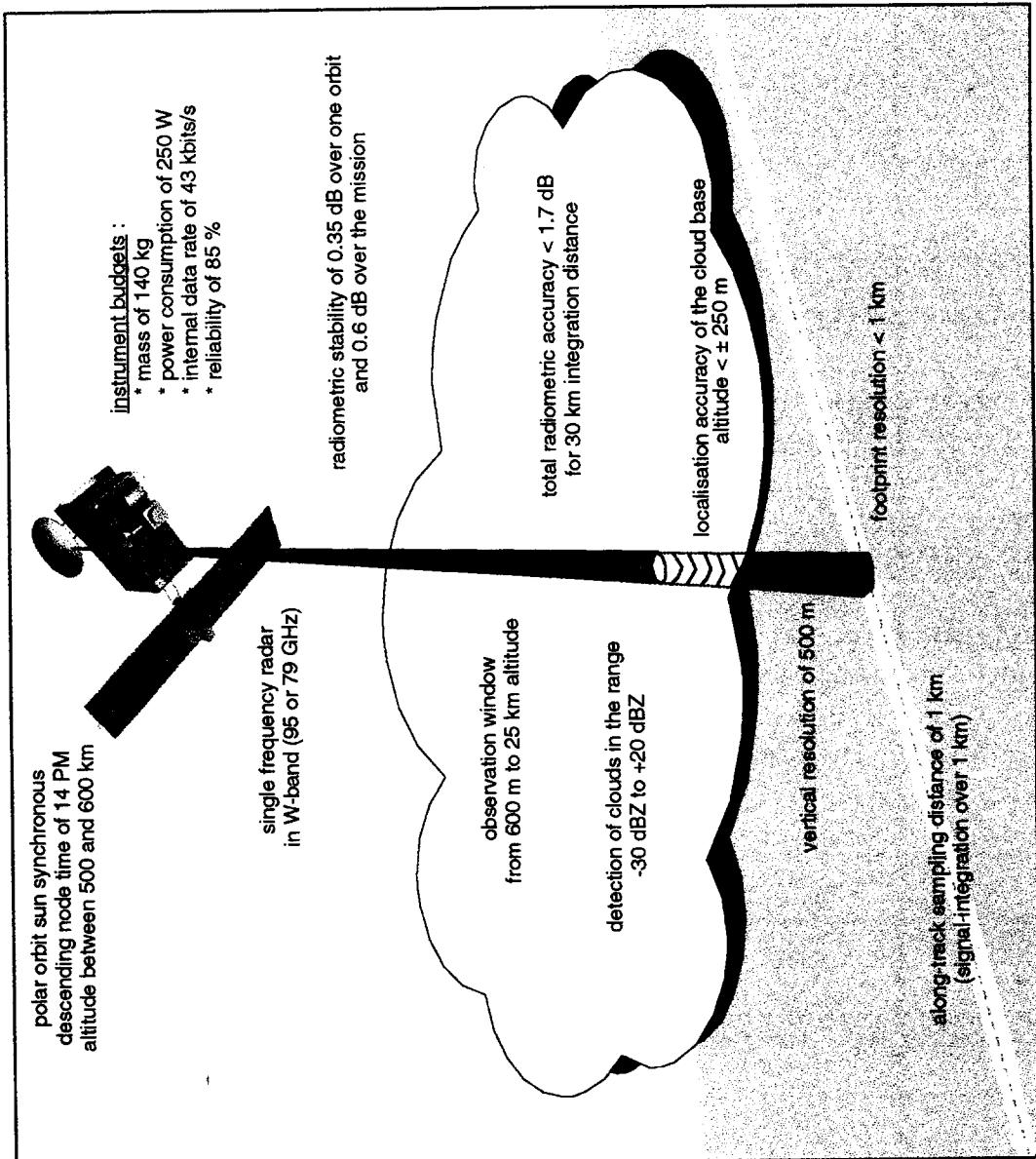
Rotating
subreflectors

CRITICAL AREAS

- ◊ DE and RF subsystems : no particular risks
- ◊ Front-end subsystem : LNA performances with cooling
(On-going ESA study)
- ◊ HPA s/s : cathode lifetime (4 EIKA's required)
- ◊ Antenna and RF distribution subsystem
 - BWG misalignments
 - Reflector surface accuracy
 - Corrugated horn at 94 GHz

Cloud Profiling Radar concept study

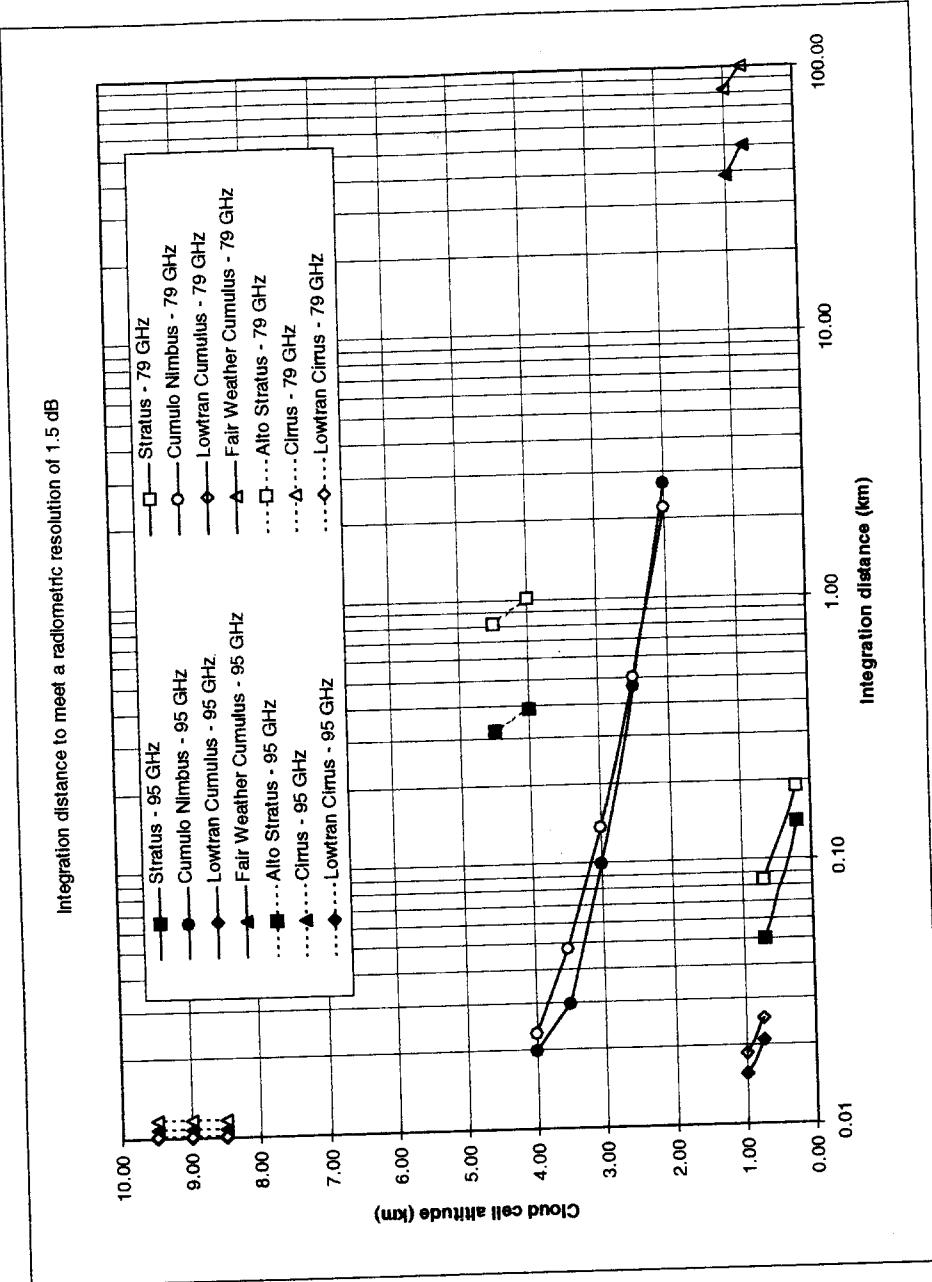
MACSIM performances and budgets



BUDGETS

Unit	Mass (kg)	Power consumption (W)	
		95 GHz	79 GHz
DE s/s	2 × 7	17	17
RF s/s	2 × 3	16	16
Front end s/s with cooling system	2	4	4
HPA s/s	4 × 12.5	159	178
Antenna s/s	20	-	-
Reflector	16	-	-
Mechanisms	4	-	-
Beam Waveguide distribution	20	-	-
3 subreflectors	2	-	-
3 rotating mechanisms	6	-	-
stable baseplate	12	-	-
Data storage	2 × 3.5	15	15
Total with 20 % margin	140 kg	250 W	280 W

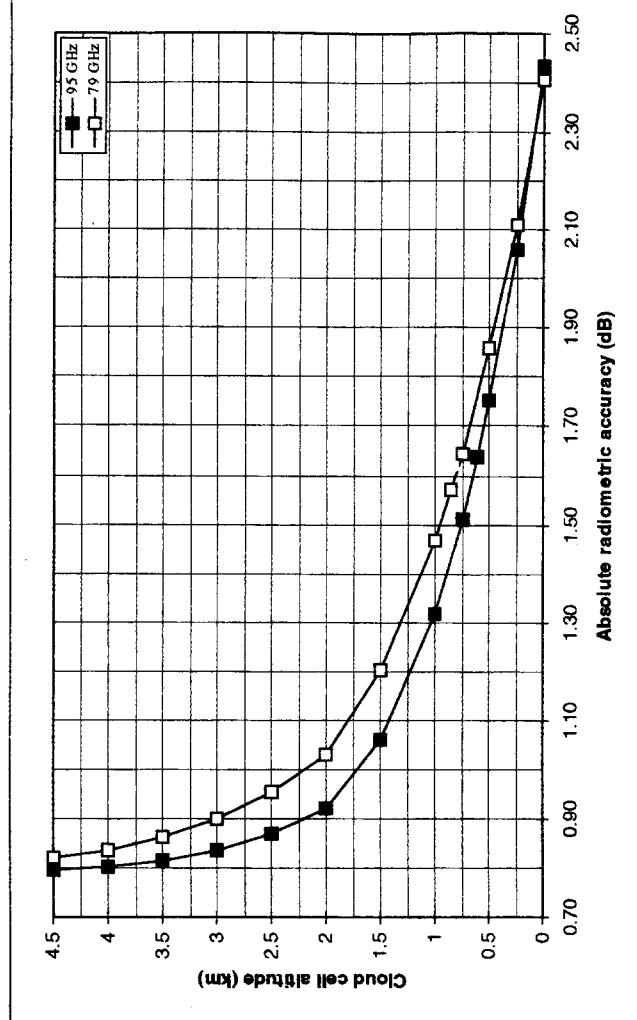
MACSIM performances on specific cloud



Cloud type	Reflectivity (dBZ)	Attenuation (dB/km)	Attenuation (dB/km)
Stratus	-20.94	2.09	1.74
Fair Weather Cumulus	-35.80	0.17	0.14
Lowtran Cumulus	-12.08	3.91	3.25
Cumulo Nimbus	-18.69	3.94	3.28
Alto Stratus	-28.69	0.49	0.41
Cirrus	-5.08	0.00	0.00
Lowtran Cirrus	1.95	0.01	0.01

MACSIM performances on cloud model

Carrier frequency	95 GHz	79 GHz
Satellite altitude	500 to 600 km	500 to 600 km
Nadir angle	0°	0°
Vertical resolution	500 m	500 m
Antenna beamwidth	0.085 deg	0.102 deg
Antenna gain	66.6 dB	65.1 dB
System temperature	290 K	290 K
NF at the LNA input	2.5 dB	2.3 dB
HPA peak power	1.7 kW	1.9 kW
Reflectivity factor	-30 dBZ min.	-30 dBZ min.
Cloud losses	0.81 dB/km	0.68 dB/km
$ K ^2$	0.6856	0.6856



Satellite altitude : 500 km

An altitude of 600 km degrades sensitivity by 1.6 dB
~ loss of 500 m in minimum detectable altitude

ANTENNA SUBSYSTEM

	f = 79 GHz	f = 95 GHz	f = 79 GHz	f = 95 GHz
Reflector aperture (mm)	2500	2000	-10	-10
Reflector focal length (mm)	50	33.2	-0.54	-0.54
Reflector clearance (mm)			-0.51	-0.51
Reflector offset angle (deg)		31.8	65.26	66.86
Reflector half-subtended angle (deg)	9.0		0.09	0.13
Horn aperture (mm)	26.7	22.2	0.10	0.12
Horn phasing section length (mm)	6.2	5.2	65.1	66.6
Horn flare section length (mm)	20.2	20.2	Gain (dBi)	0.085
Horn flare section angle (deg)	2.2	1.8	3 dB Beamwidth (deg)	0.102
Horn input section diameter (mm)	7.1	5.9	SLL ($\theta > 10$ deg) (dB)	-80
Horn input section length (mm)	40.0	33.3	Max. crosspolarisation level (dB)	26.7
Horn length (mm)			Antenna return losses (dB)	33.0

Electrical performances of the single offset reflector antenna

Main dimensions of the single offset reflector antenna

- Single offset configuration :
- simple design and accommodation
 - very good gain and SLL

III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
B. LIDAR CONCEPTS AND TECHNOLOGIES

INTRODUCTION

A. CULOMA, ESA, EOPP

The ATLID Backscatter Lidar

Technology and Support studies

Instrument Technology Pre-development

- Harmonized programme between EO PPP, TRP and GSTP
- Aim1: Define an optimized Instrument concept
- Aim2: Identify at an early stage the critical units
- Aim 3: Raise the instrument technology maturity by breadboarding the identified critical units

Instrument technology Pre-development

Breadboarded unit	Objective
Laser Head	Efficiency, high power, thermal control, lifetime
Q-switch and its Electronics	Laser damage/ EMC
Laser Power Supply	Efficiency, EMC
Laser Head Thermal Control	Large heat load, high temperature stability
Telescope	Large diameter, low mass, low inertia
Scan Mechanism	Torque compensation, pointing accuracy, lifetime
Spectral filter & coatings	Narrow-stable bandpass, transmission/ laser damage
Detection chain	Very low noise operation, EMC

Instrument Technology Pre-Development

Breadboard

Laser Head

Alenia-Difesa, *Quantel, Thomson-CSF, Enosa,
Norskk E.O*

Q-Switch and its Electronics

MMS-F, *Thomson-CSF, MMS-F*

Laser Power Supply

Dornier
MMS-UK, *Bradford-Eng., NLR, TAIS Ltd*

Telescope

Carl Zeiss Jena, *DASA-RT, Jenoptik*

Scan Mechanism

ORS, *Oerlikon-Contraves, Laben, VTT*

Spectral Filter & Coatings

DASA-RT, *TecOptics, Carl Zeiss Jena, Jenoptic*

Detection Chain

MMS-F, *EG&G, TPD-TNO*

Support Studies

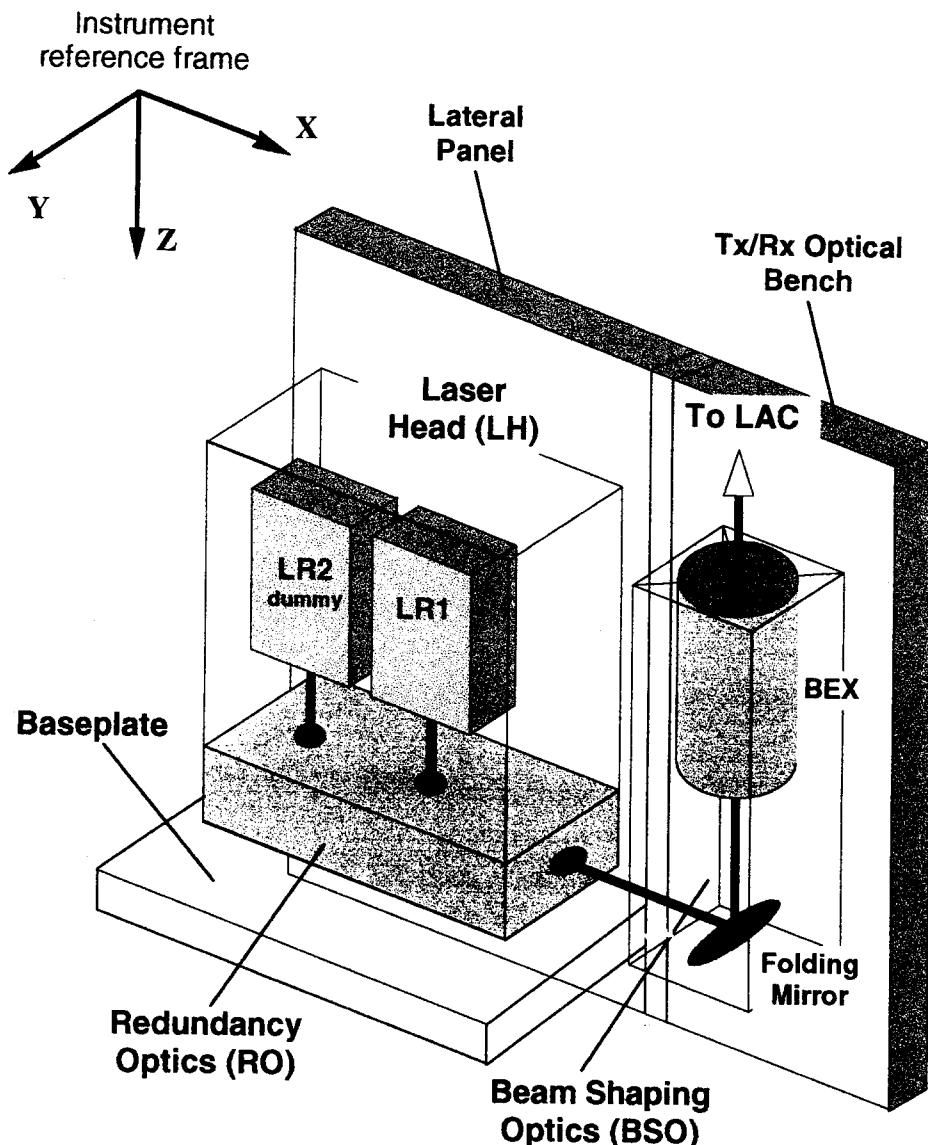
- Assessment of Multiple Scattering Effects on Backscatter Lidar Signal Processing (University of Geneva),
- Lidar Detection Algorithms at Low SNR (University of Geneva, TNO-FEL)

**III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
B. LIDAR CONCEPTS AND TECHNOLOGIES**

LASER HEAD CRITICAL TECHNOLOGY

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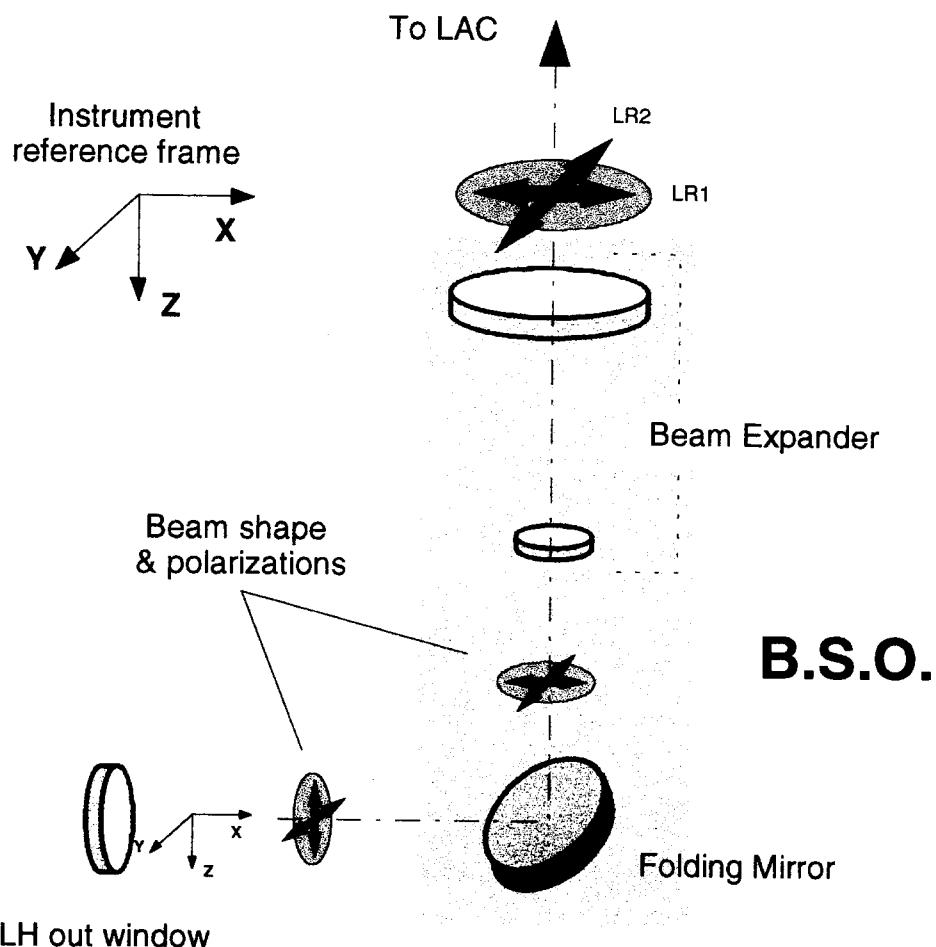
ATLID Transmitter System schematic



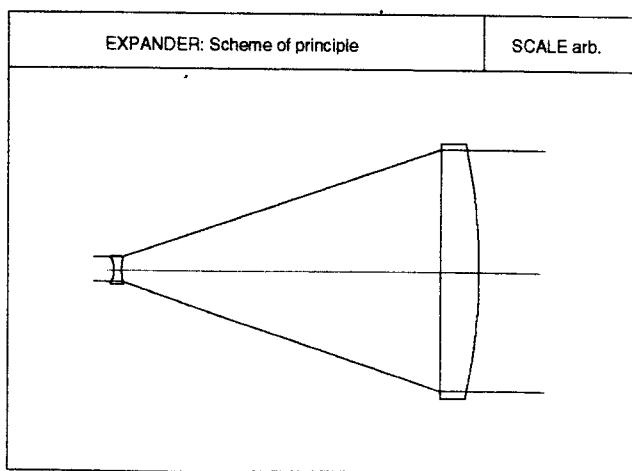
- The LH is positioned on the lateral panel of ATLID; the laser beam exiting the output window of the LH is sent toward the BSO. The redundancy optics is provided to combine the two lasers (master/back-up) on a single optical channel by means of a polarization cube and to give a far-field circular beam starting from the asymmetric beam produced by the slab laser (LH).
- The master Laser Resonator contained inside the optical sub-unit of the LH is a laser diode pumped Nd:YAG laser capable to emit Q-Switched pulses.
- The active material is a Nd:YAG slab shaped and transversally optically pumped by two series of four Laser Diode (LD) stacks (TBC).

Laser Head: Performance Summary table

Pulse energy	$\geq 97 \text{ mJ}$
Pulse energy stability	$\leq 5\%$ short term (15 s) $\leq \text{TBD}$ long term (3 years)
Pulse energy knowledge	1 mJ accuracy
Peak wavelength	1063.65 nm (TBC)
Peak wavelength stability	$\pm 0.01 \text{ nm}$ long term (TBC)
Laser FWHM Linewidth	$\leq 0.1 \pm 0.01 \text{ nm}$
Pulse Repetition Frequency	100 $\pm 1 \text{ Hz}$
PRF adjustment range	90 - 110 Hz
Polarization	
Type	Linear
Purity	50:1 extinction ratio
Orientation	Along Y axis
Mode structure (Transversal)	Near TEM ₀₀
Mode structure (Longitudinal)	Multimode
Beam dimensions	$\leq 6.3 \times 4.3 \text{ mm}$ (Y dir. x X dir.)
Beam divergence	$\leq 1.2 \text{ mrad}$
Beam decenter stability	$\leq \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$ long term
Beam angular stability	$\leq \pm 50 \mu\text{rad}$ short term $\leq \pm 100 \mu\text{rad}$ long term
Total mass	$\approx 20 \text{ Kg}$
Total volume	$\approx 300 \times 130 \times 425 \text{ mm}^3$
Environmental conditions	see ATLID specs



Preliminary optical layout of the BSO. The elliptical shadow is common to the two LRs beams but the polarization directions are crossed.

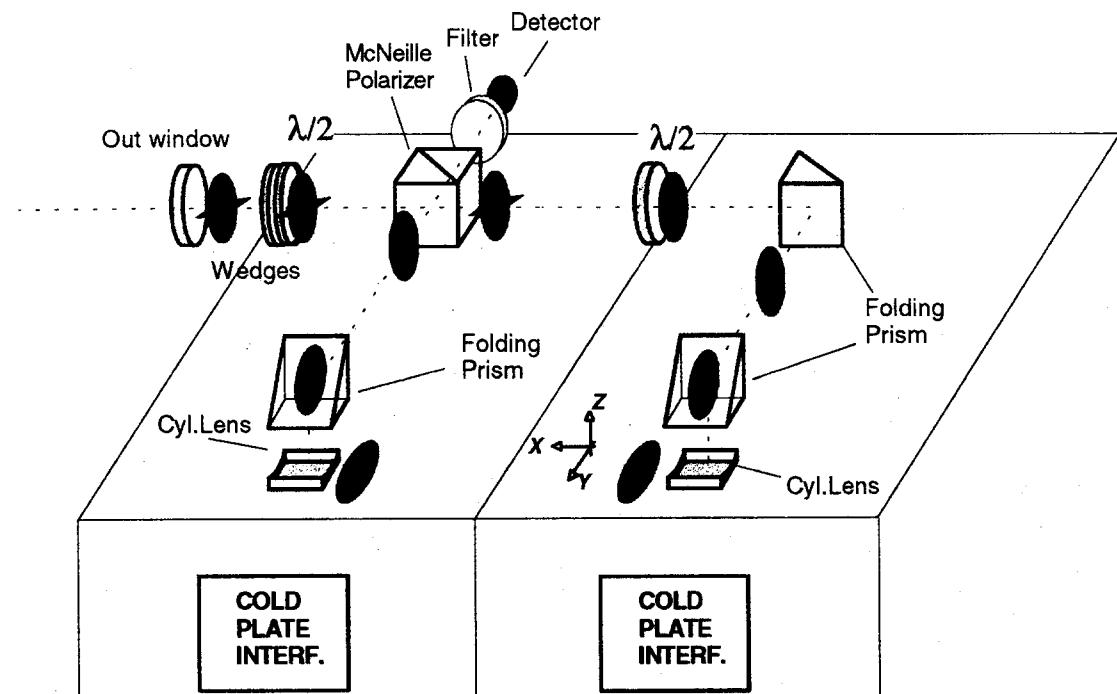


Schematic of the optical layout for the BSO expander

BSO: Performance Summary table

Operating wavelength	1064 nm
Spectral bandwidth	≥ 10 nm
Magnification factor	7x (TBC)
Input clear aperture	≥ 10 mm
Output clear aperture	70 mm
Input far-field divergence	1200 μ rad (TBC)
Input beam dimensions ($1/e^2$)	6.6 x 4.4 mm (TBC)
Input beam axis incidence	± 200 μ rad
Input beam decenter	± 0.5 mm
Output far-field divergence	= input divergence/ magnification
Output beam dimensions	= input dimensions x magnification
Maximum wavefront distortion	$\leq \lambda/10$ RMS (@ $\lambda=1064$ nm)
Total transmission	$\geq 97\%$ (@ $\lambda=1064$ nm)
Maximum Power Density (with PRF=100Hz, $\tau=20$ ns)	≤ 50 MW/cm ² (on folding mirror)
Total mass (mech. housing included)	6 Kg (TBC)
Total volume (mech. housing included)	104(diam.) x 186(len.) mm (TBC)
Mounting	quasi isostatic
Thermal ranges	-20°C < T _{operational} < 40°C (TBC)

Redundancy Optics

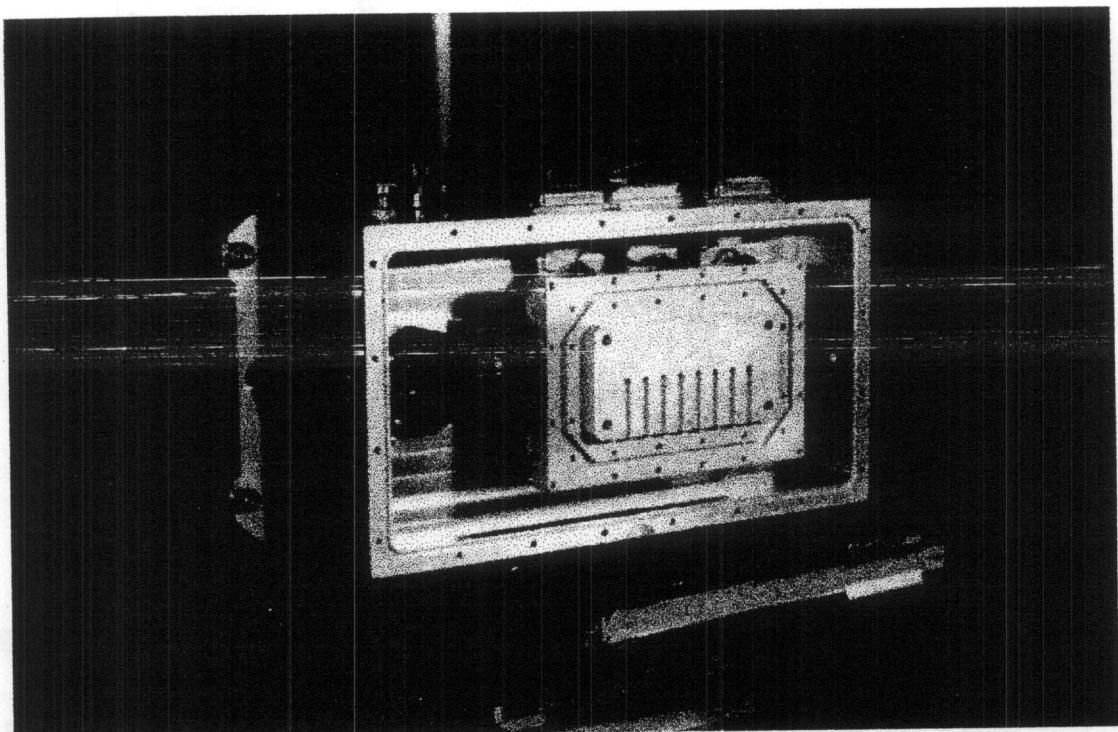


Schematic of the Redundancy Optic architecture (TBC)

The redundancy optics is provided to combine the two lasers (master/back-up) on a single optical channel by means of a polarization cube and to give a far-field circular beam starting from the asymmetric beam produced by the slab laser (LH).

Inside the Redundancy Optics it is also contained the energy monitor that measures the energy emitted by the operating laser over the TX lifetime.

DPL-10



ESTEC CONTRACT N. 8989/90/NL/MD

STUDY LOGIC

Main purposes of the study

- verify the laser diode pumping feasibility for high power spaceborne lasers
- verify the applicability of a conductive cooling concept
- develop a laser structure capable to withstand the requested environmental conditions
- demonstrate potential lifetime and reliability increase with respect to the flashlamp pumped lasers

Development activities

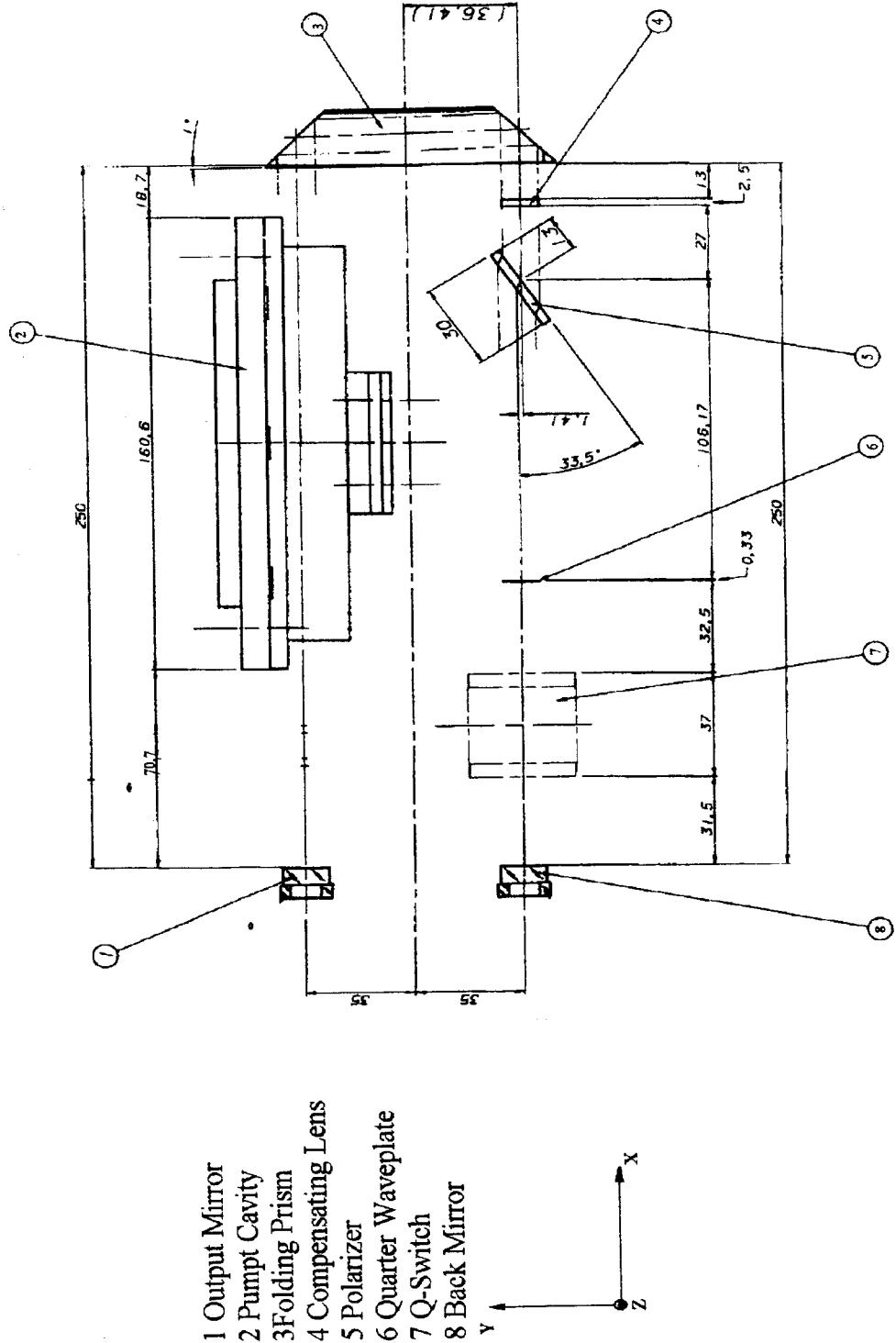
- laser opto/thermal/mechanical/electrical configuration selection
- laser housing design/manufacturing/test
- mechanical supports design/manufacturing/test

Under this contract no development activity has been foreseen for

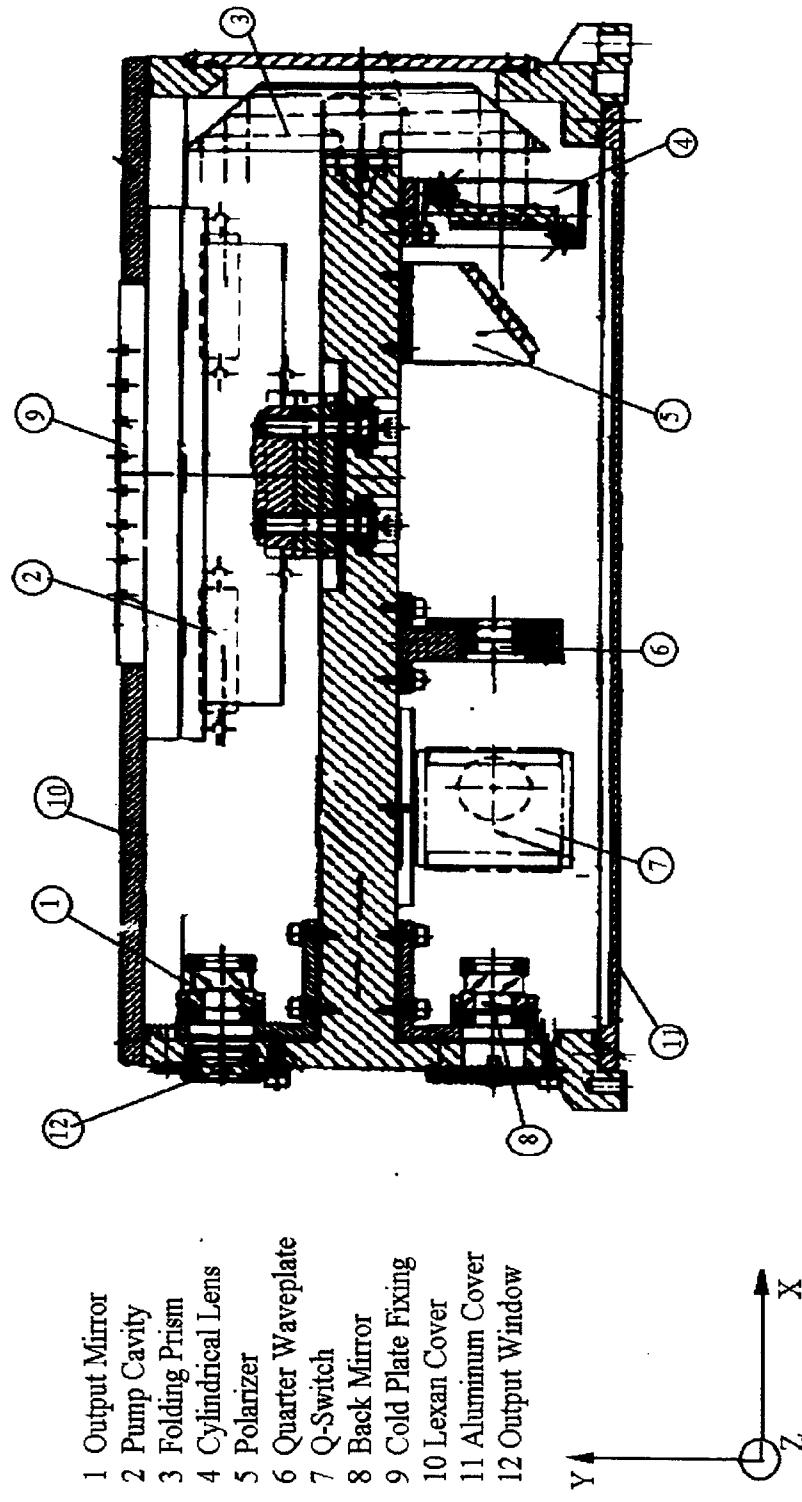
⇒laser electronic unit (LDPS, Q-SPS, etc.)

⇒electro/optical components (with the exception of laser diodes for which a partial “customization” from the supplier was needed)

LASER OPTICAL LAY-OUT



OPTO/MECHANICAL COMPONENTS LOCATION



DPL - 10 DIODE PUMPED LASER

GENERAL ARCHITECTURE AND INTERFACE DEFINITION

MECHANICAL

- RIGID HOUSING STRUCTURE AND TWO OPTICAL BRANCHES FOR LASER CAVITY WITH FOLDING PRISM
- TOTAL CAVITY LENGTH 580 MM WITH TOLERANCE OF +/- 5 MM
- INTERFACE SEPARATION BETWEEN THE MECHANICAL REFERENCE AND THE THERMAL REFERENCE
- MECHANICAL REFERENCE WITH THREE FIXING POINTS FOR ISOSTATIC MOUNTING

DPL - 10 DIODE PUMPED LASER

GENERAL ARCHITECTURE AND INTERFACE DEFINITION

- RESONATOR HOUSING SEALING WITH O-RING GASKETS LOCATED IN THE COVERS GROOVE
- V-SHAPE SLOT ON THE RESONATOR BASEPLATE FOR PUMP CAVITY MOUNTING TO MINIMIZE RELATIVE DEFORMATIONS
- RESONATOR HOUSING SURFACE TREATMENT WITH CHROMIUM CONVERSION COATING

DPL - 10 DIODE PUMPED LASER

GENERAL ARCHITECTURE AND INTERFACE DEFINITION

THERMAL

- EXTERNAL LIQUID COOLANT COLDPLATE MOUNTED ON THE THERMAL REFERENCE INTERFACE
- THERMAL LOADS (150 WATTS) FROM PUMP CAVITY TRANSFERRED TO THE THERMAL INTERFACE BY CONDUCTION
- LASER DIODES ON COPPER HEAT SINKS WITH ELECTRICAL INSULATING BeO HEAT SPREADERS
- ACTIVE LASER MEDIUM Nd:YAG CLAMPED ON PUMP CAVITY SURFACE FOR DIRECT CONDUCTIVE COOLING

DPL-10 DIODE PUMPED LASER

GENERAL ARCHITECTURE AND INTERFACE DEFINITION

ELECTRICAL

- LASER DIODES CONNECTED AS A PARALLEL OF TWO SERIES (4 DIODES EACH SERIES)
- LASER DIODES ELECTRICAL POWERING FOR THE PARALLEL-SERIE CONNECTION WITH CURRENT 2 X 75 AMPS AND VOLTAGE 2 X 55 VOLTS
- HIGH VOLTAGE CONDUCTORS PAIR FOR THE Q-SWITCH IN COPPER WITH MAXIMUM RATE CURRENT 30 AMPS AND VOLTAGE 5000 VOLTS
- ELECTRICAL CONNECTORS: TYPE D-25P HERMETIC FOR LASER DIODE POWERING AND HIGH VOLTAGE FEEDTHROUGH FOR THE Q-SWITCH

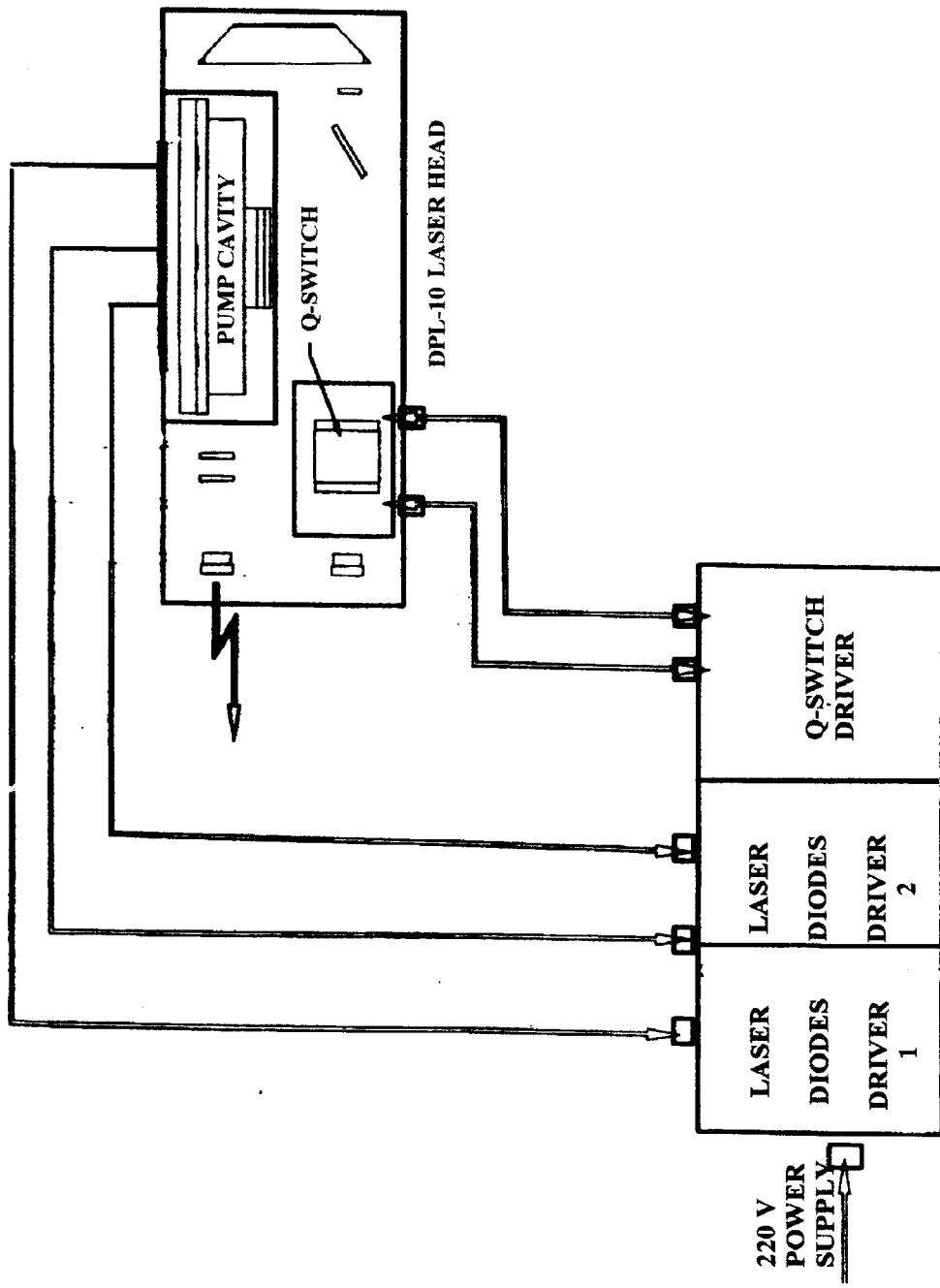
DPL - 10 DIODE PUMPED LASER

GENERAL ARCHITECTURE AND INTERFACE DEFINITION

OPTICAL

- UNSTABLE RESONATOR WORKING IN THE POSITIVE BRANCH
- SUPERGAUSSIAN OUTPUT MIRROR ($n = 3$)
- SLAB ACTIVE MEDIUM. ZIG-ZAG PATH OF $1.064 \mu\text{m}$ RADIATION (11 BOUNCES)
- DIRECT COUPLING BETWEEN SLAB AND LASER DIODES (0.5 mm DISTANCE)

LASER ELECTRICAL LAY-OUT



ACCEPTANCE TEST RESULTS

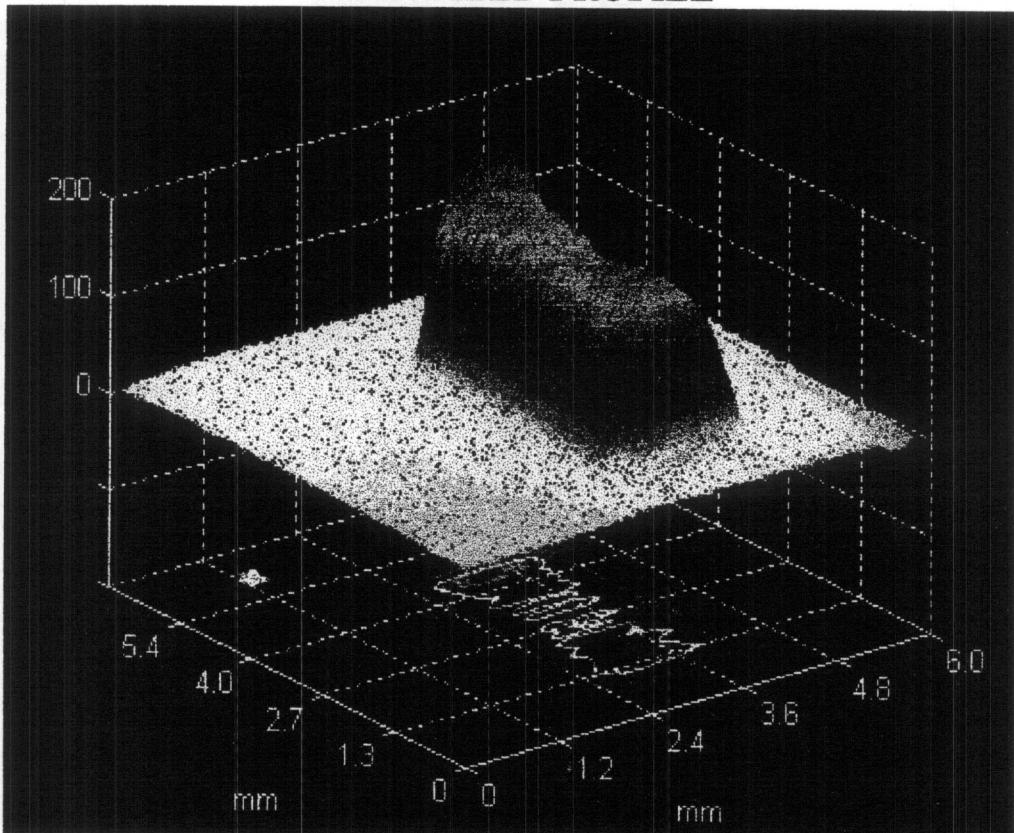
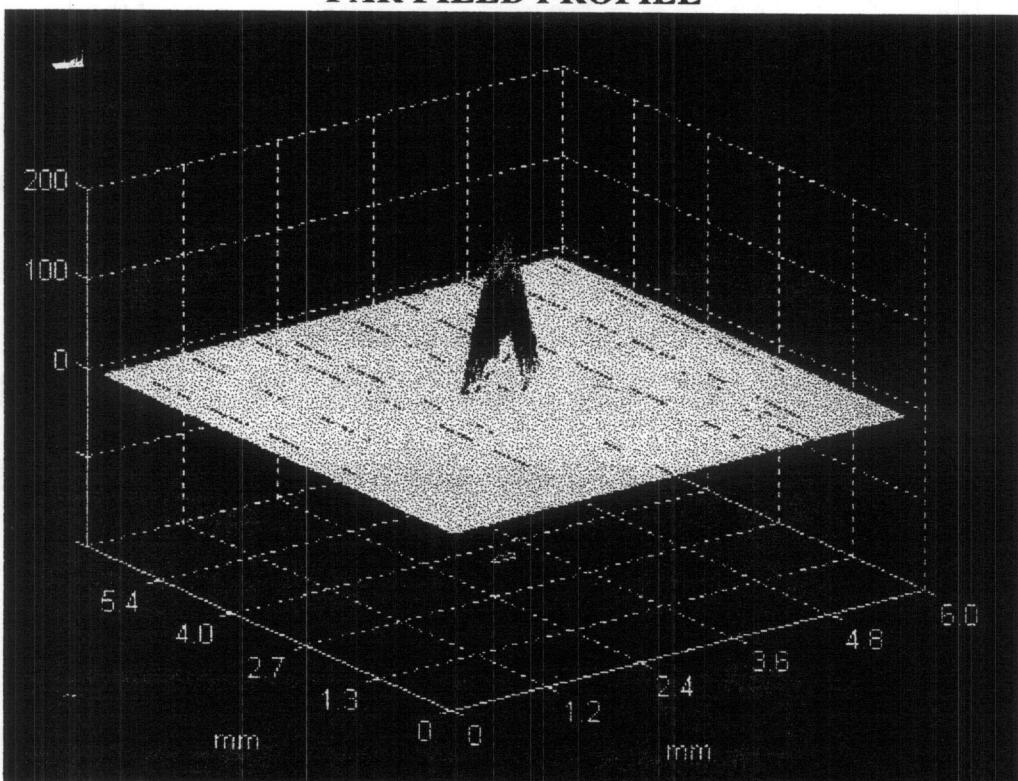
Laser operating conditions:

$I_{OP} = 72 \text{ A}$, PRF = 100 Hz, HV Q-Switch = 3000 V,

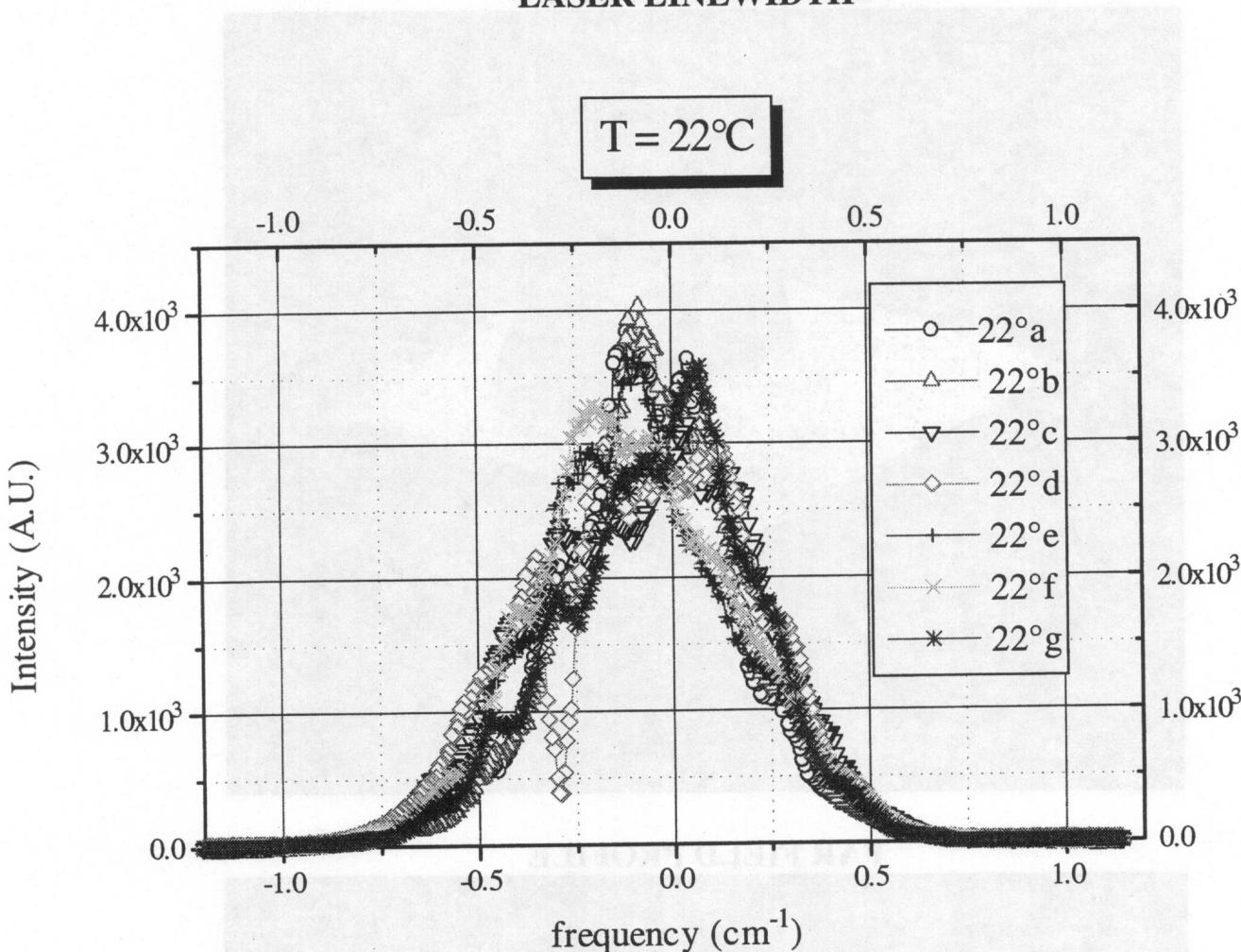
LD Heatsink Temp. = 22 °C

Obtained Results:

QUANTITY	DPL-10 REQUIREMENT	MEASURED VALUE
Emission wavelength	$1.064 \mu\text{m}$	$10642.9 \pm 0.1 \text{ \AA}$ ($T_{amb} = 27 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ / $P_{amb} = 970 \text{ mbar}$)
Output mean power	$\geq 10 \text{ W}$	10 W
Pulse Repetition Rate	$100 \pm 1 \text{ Hz}$	100 Hz
Pulse Duration	20 ns	$\approx 18 \text{ ns}$
Pulse to Pulse Energy Stability	$\pm 5 \text{ \%}$	$\pm 2 \text{ \%}$
Type of Output	Near TEM ₀₀	$M^2 \text{ (Hor.)} \leq 1.5$; $M^2 \text{ (Ver.)} \leq 1$
Polarization	Linear	Ext. Ratio ≤ 0.01
Beam Angular Stab.	$\leq 100 \mu\text{rad}$	$\leq 50 \mu\text{rad}$ (half angle)
Beam Linewidth	$1 \pm 0.1 \text{ \AA}$	$0.59 \pm 0.04 \text{ \AA}$
Overall Efficiency (el./opt.)	$\geq 5\%$	$\approx 6.5 \text{ \%}$

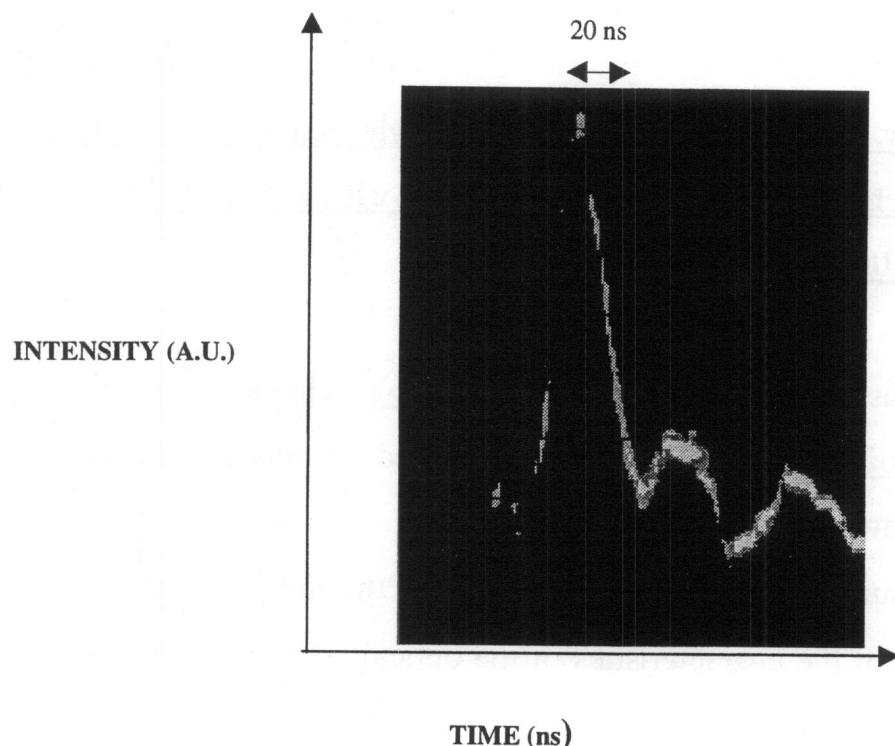
NEAR FIELD PROFILE**FAR FIELD PROFILE**

LASER LINewidth



1 cm^{-1} corresponds to 1 Angstrom and 1 Angstrom corresponds to about 26.5 GHz (at 1 μm wavelength).

From our results we can infer that the laser emission wavelength as well as its linewidth are not influenced by temperature changes of the laser environment.

PULSE SHAPE**ENERGY STABILITY**

The measured value is:

$\pm 2\%$ on a time period of 1 minute

BEAM POINTING STABILITY

The measured values are:

- $\pm 30 \mu\text{rad}$ in the vertical plane
- $\pm 50 \mu\text{rad}$ in the horizontal plane (zig-zag plane)

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The obtained results show that the DPL-10 laser is fully compliant from the functional point of view. This demonstrates that a single resonator, 10 W mean power, 100 Hz, Q-Switched laser diode pumped laser, with a good beam spatial quality ($M^2 < 2$), is feasible.

⇒ The slab utilization has shown the advantage of an easy mechanical fixing concept and a reduced level of distortions. This latter allowed to obtain a better beam spatial quality. The drawbacks of this choice were:

- high degree of surfaces quality (high criticality in the slab machining).
- accurate design of the characteristics of the optical coatings to be deposited on slab surfaces.
- the zig-zag path inside the slab makes the whole laser alignment more difficult.

⇒ The design choice of a **positive branch unstable resonator** allowed to realize a single more compact cavity, also reducing *the risk of components damages* due to the internal focal points absence.

The only internal component that suffered damages during the optimization phase, was the Q-Switch. The study and the characterizations performed demonstrated that this problem arises from the laser functioning in a non perfect confocal configuration, strictly related to the resonator geometrical parameters and the pumping characteristics. It should be anyway desirable to increase the Q-Switch damage threshold to 1 GW/cm^2 .

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

⇒ It has been also demonstrated that **the fully compliance with the environmental conditions is possible**. The laser withstand the thermal and the sinusoidal vibration cycles without any damage. *Only the random vibrations along a critical axis created a slab damage*, but essentially due to an ungluing of this component.

This problem does not seem to require a new design of the slab mechanical mounting, but simply a modification of the shape and area of the active material glued zone. Particularly, a modification of the upper plate could allow an increase of the glueing area and the introduction of the glueing on both the slab sides, already realized during the tests, could be kept. Also a redesign of the lateral flexure, aimed to increase the mounting stiffness, should be desirable. On the contrary, the reinforcing of the end springs must be avoided because it could be cause of the slab deformation, absolutely unacceptable from the optical point of view.

⇒ Always **during the random vibrations**, it was noticed a scraping of the slab with the PC surface that can cause a coating damage detrimental for the optical efficiency of the whole laser.

Even in this case a modification of the interface slab/PC aimed to decrease the contact friction should solve this problem. For this purpose a PC machining with lower tolerance for roughness and flatness should be implemented.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- ⇒ The **H-shaped laser housing concept** allowed to obtain a compact resonator and during the environmental qualifications showed a good dynamic behaviour.
- ⇒ The **experimental validation of the design devoted to separate the mechanical interface from the thermal one** was not performed completely because of the non availability of thermally qualified laser diodes.
- ⇒ The experience matured in the **mirror supports** design put in evidence the extreme criticality of the specifications which require at the same time a highly sensitive system with a good stiffness able to withstand very heavy vibration levels.
- ⇒ All the **other mechanical mounts** showed a good thermal and dynamic behaviour, even if some of them should be improved in terms of adjustments. In fact the Q-Switch support adjustment sensitivity could be increased and the cylindrical lens support should be provided with a rotation about its working axis.
- ⇒ The **present laser functional performance** are near to the best one obtainable with this configuration.
An increase of the output power would involve a complete laser redesign even keeping the most part of the actual mechanical and optical concepts.

III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
B. LIDAR CONCEPTS AND TECHNOLOGIES

**TECHNOLOGIES FOR ATMOSPHERIC LIDAR
(ATLID)**

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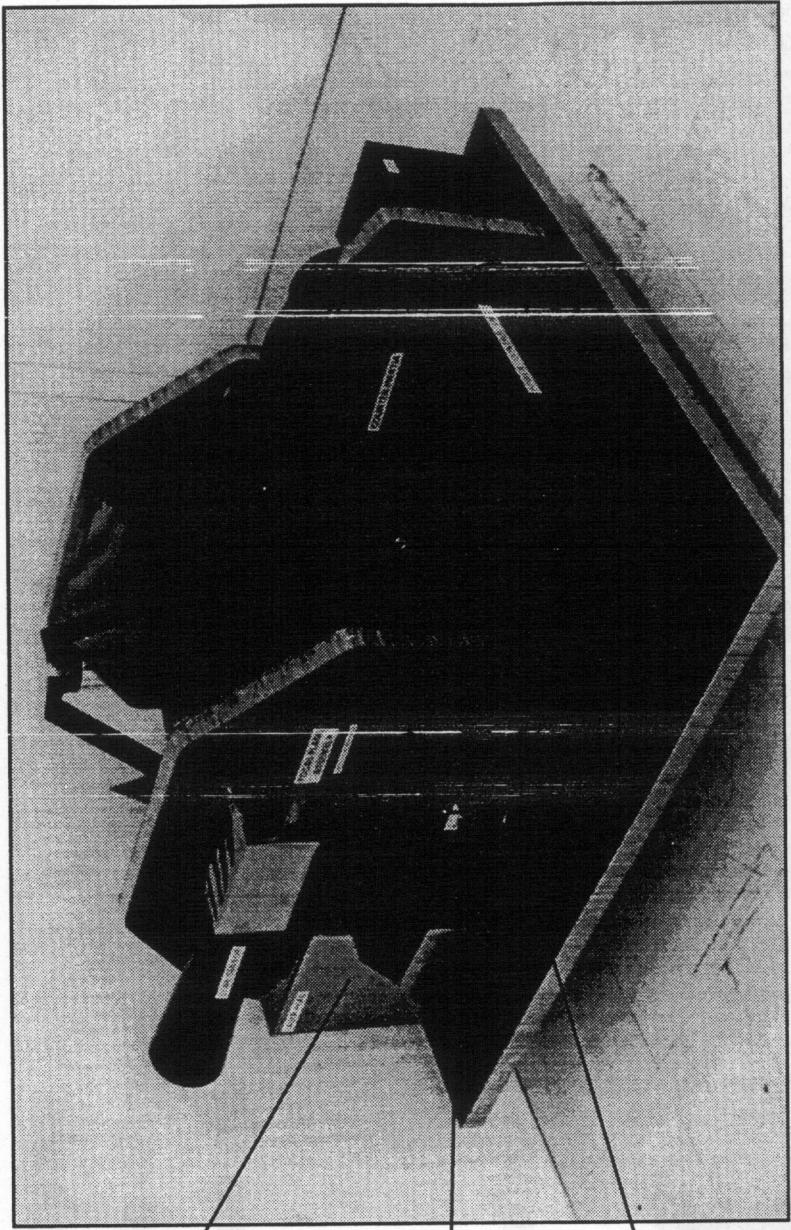
ATLID: A THERMAL ATMOSPHERIC LIDAR (ATLLID)

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MATRA MARCONI SPACE

- Overview on developed technologies
- Focal Plane optics
- Detection chain
- Laser support technologies

ATLID DEVELOPED TECHNOLOGIES



Diode-pumped
Nd-YAG laser
+ support systems

Focal Plane
Optics
(Filter, coatings)

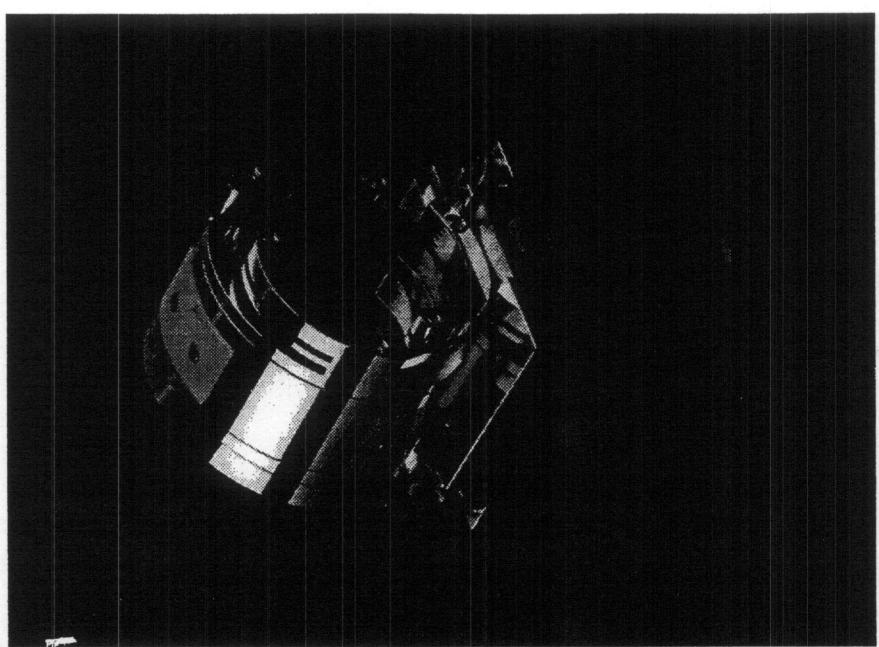
APD
Detection
Chain

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FABRY-PEROT FILTER

- Etalon + blocking filter
- 0.2 nm FWHM
- Peak transmission : 0.63
- Tested vs mechanical and thermal environment



QUALIFIED LASER COATINGS

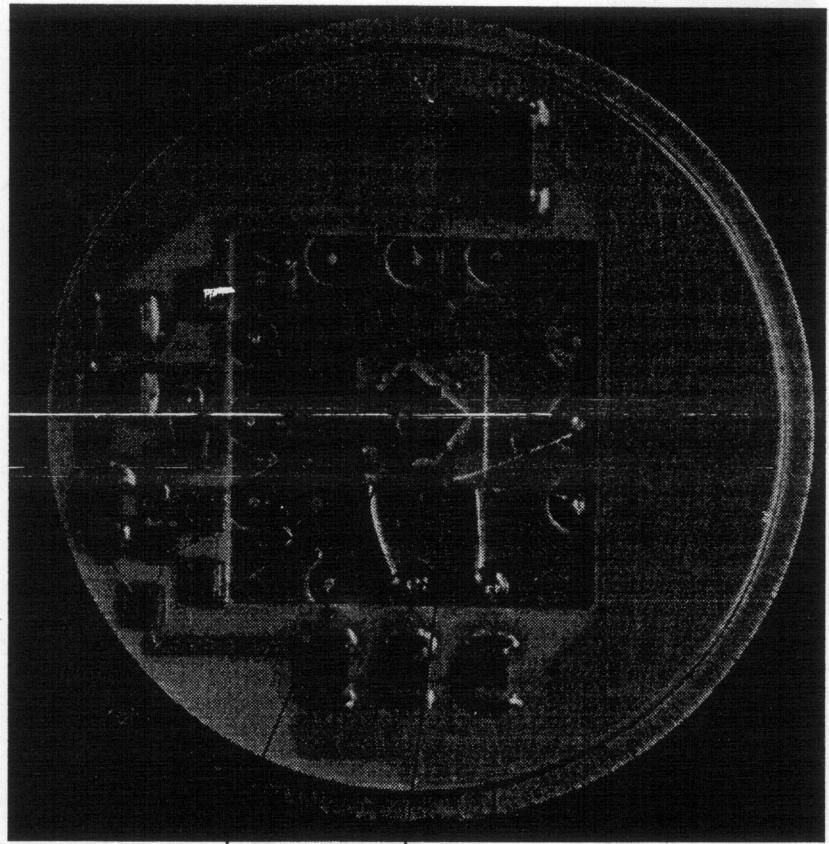
- High energy reflection coatings
 - Reflection > 99.3 %
 - Damage threshold > 15 J/cm² (requirement < 1 J/cm²)
- AR laser coatings
 - Transmission > 99.7 %
 - Damage threshold > 30 J/cm²
- Low depolarization coatings
- All coatings have been submitted to
 - lifetime tests
 - MIL qualification standards

Detection Chain (1)

- Front-end
 - Silicon Avalanche Photodiode (APD)
 - APD on Peltier cooler
 - APD / Preampli hybrid
- Two parallel analog chains
 - Radiometric chain ('low bandwidth')
 - Peak detection chain ('threshold detection')
- 12 bit ADC, 4 MHz
- Performance
 - $\text{SNR} = 2$ for 60 pW signal & 230 pW background
(requirement: $\text{SNR} > 1.2$ under same conditions)

DETECTION CHAIN (2)

PS picoVDC + APD / Preamplifier Hybrid

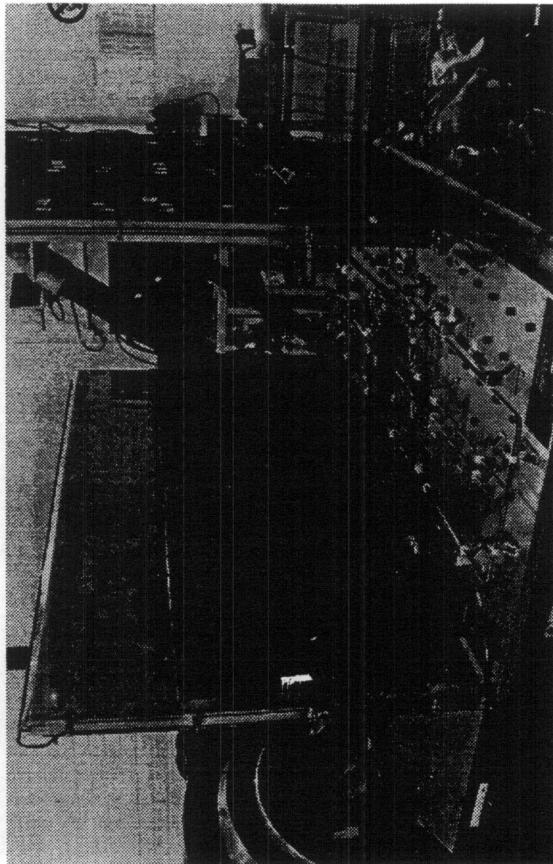


Silicon APD

Peltier cooler

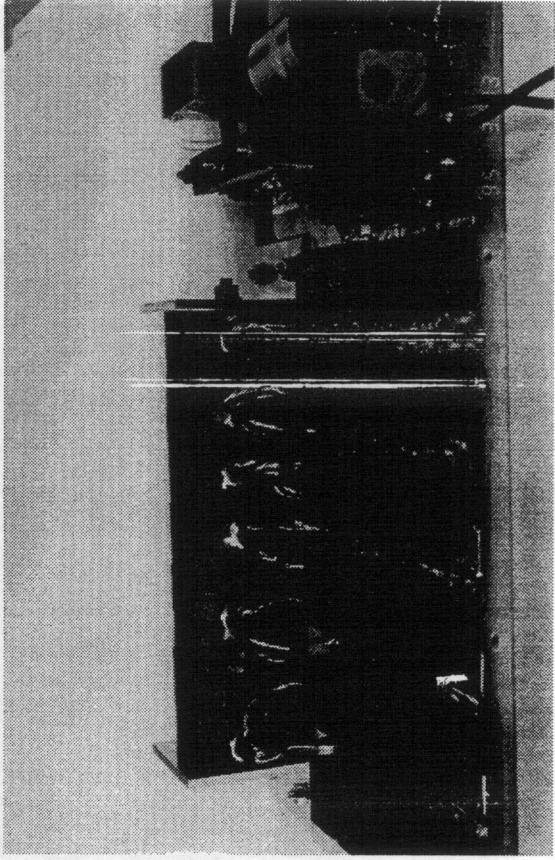
ATLID - SUPPLY TECHNOLOGIES (1): FLUID LOOP

- Two-phase fluid loop
 - Ammonia fluid
 - Capillary pump
 - Control reservoir
- Performance & tests
 - Laser cold plate cooled at 5° C
 - Regulation to better than ± 1 °C
 - heat capacity above 230 W
 - Passed vibration / TV tests



~~POWER SUPPORT TECHNOLOGIES~~ (2) : DIODE POWER SUPPLY

- Two-stage architecture
 - DC/DC charger (28 V to 120 V)
 - Pulse Forming Network (PFN)
 - 85 A , 200 μ s current pulse
- Performance & tests
 - 74 % efficiency
 - EMC / thermal tests passed



LINK SUPPORT TECHNOLOGIES (3) : **POCKELS CELL**

- Pockels cell (under development)
 - KD*P crystal with moisture insensitive crystal
 - Power capability > 1 GW/cm² (requirement 300 MW/cm²)
 - Extinction ratio: 1/4000
 - EM standard (will be submitted to vibrations and thermal tests)
- High voltage driver
 - 4 KV output pulse
 - Switching time: 10 ns (MOSFET switches)
 - Passed EMC tests

III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
C. PASSIVE SENSOR CONCEPTS AND
TECHNOLOGIES

INTRODUCTION

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Passive instruments

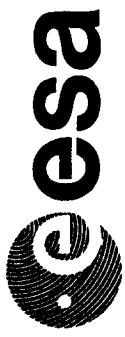
- Two complementary passive instruments
 - Cloud imager
 - 2 VIS, 1 SWIR and 2 TIR bands
 - 1 km pixel, short swath (100-300 km)
 - Broadband radiometer
 - 1 short-wave, 1 total channel
 - 30 km pixel, short swath

Cloud imager

- Band definition shows similarity with existing instruments

	Cloud imager	AATSR	AVHRR	SEVIRI
VIS1	0.649-0.669	0.649-0.669	0.58-0.68	0.60-0.67
VIS2	0.875-0.875	0.855-0.875	0.725-1.00	0.775-0.845
VNIR	1.58-1.64	1.58-1.64	1.58-1.64	1.57-1.71
TIR1	8.5-8.9	-	-	8.5-8.9
TIR2	10.4-11.3	10.4-11.3	10.3-11.3	10.3-11.3

- Instrument can be made using European heritage in scanners and pushbroom imagers
 - First assumption: AATSR (Granada)
 - Optimisation of AATSR for ERM (RAL, 1996)
 - Pushbroom design by Officine Galileo using
 - Cooled TIR HgCdTe detector arrays (1997)
 - Uncooled TIR bolometer arrays (1998)
 - Supporting technology: development of optimised bolometer array (in preparation)



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**EARTH OBSERVATION
PREPARATORY
PROGRAMME**

Broadband radiometer

- European heritage: SCARAB, GERB
- US CERES could also be considered
- Initial assumption: SCARAB (Granada)
- Definition of an optimised broadband radiometer by REOSC (1998)

**III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
C. PASSIVE SENSOR CONCEPTS AND
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**A CLOUD IMAGER FOR THE ESA EARTH
RADIATION EXPLORER MISSION**

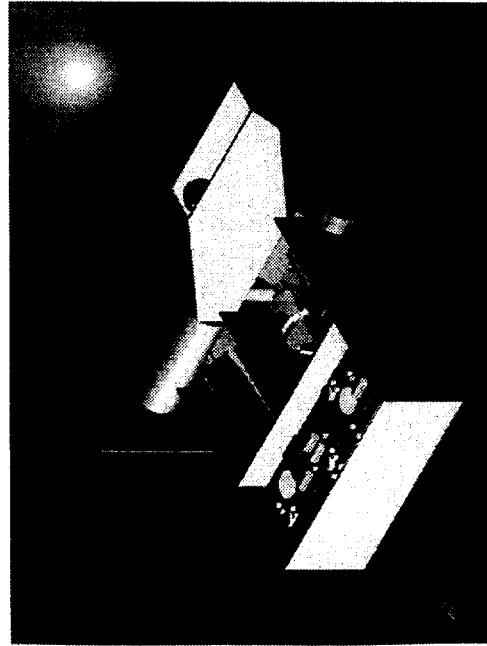
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**A CLOUD IMAGER
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INTRODUCTION

- The present baseline of the Earth Radiation Explorer Mission of the European Space Agency includes two active instruments (cloud radar and backscatter lidar) and two passive instruments (cloud imager and broadband radiometer).

• The cloud imager would allow improvement of the scientific performance of this mission by providing complementary data, as scene and cloud type identification, to those provided by the others instruments.

• Considering the constraints resulting from these instruments, the accommodation of this imager seems to be critical unless a dedicated system is fit up in the platform.



- The goal of this study was to investigate an instrument concept as flexible in accommodation, compact and low-power as possible and suitable to meet the specific mission requirements.

INSTRUMENT MAIN SPECIFICATIONS (STUDY PHASE)

Orbit Specification

Sun-synchronous

Mean altitude : 500 Km

Descending nodal crossing time :
14:00

Geometrical Parameters

Swath : \approx 300 Km

Spatial Sampling Interval (SSI) : 600 m

Coverage by pushbroom technique

Spectral Wavebands

Band 1: 0.649 - 0.669 μm - VIS

Band 2: 0.855 - 0.875 μm - NIR

Band 3:	1.580 - 1.640 μm	- SWIR
Band 4:	8.500 - 8.900 μm	- TIR
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2	Band 5: 10.400 - 11.30 μm	- TIR

The geometrical parameters values are the result of a trade-off during which the implications of different values ranges have been examined and discussed with ESA.

In fact, with the selected spatial sampling interval (SSI) is possible to

cover the swath on ground with focal plane arrays of 500 pixels. This avoids heavy focal planes customization, as for example, the butting of several arrays.

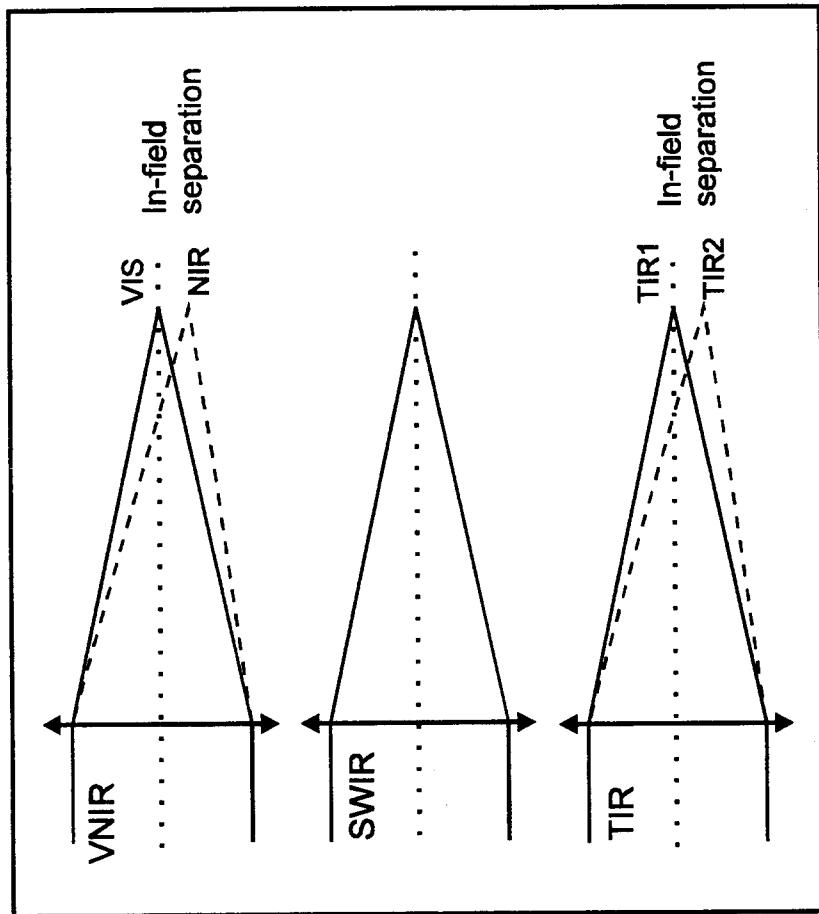
Detection of thermal IR bands based on:

- Cooled quantum detectors at 65 - 70 K
- Uncooled microbolometer detector at room temperature.

Two study phases have been developed

OPTICAL CONCEPT

Considering the opto-mechanical aspects a solution with three different objectives and in-field separation on focal plane for VNIR and TIR bands has been considered as the best compromise between design and development complexity and possibility to obtain an instrument of reduced size.



DETECTORS

Focal planes	- Bilinear Si CCD or two lines of an area array - 512 pixels for row - Pixel size 13 μ m
VNIR focal plane	
SWIR focal plane	- InGaAs linear array - 300 (512) pixels - Pixel size 30 μ m

TIR focal plane	- HgCdTe biminar array - 512 pixel for row - Pixel size 30 μ m
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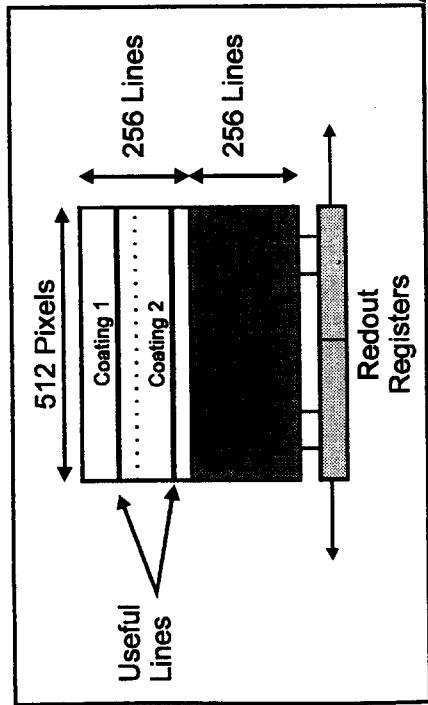
For the SWIR channel an InGaAs linear array has been chosen. The advantage over other materials is that it can operate close to room temperature (5 °C).

In TIR region the selected material is still the HgCdTe.
A FPA solution similar to VNIR is envisaged, with two parallel linear arrays

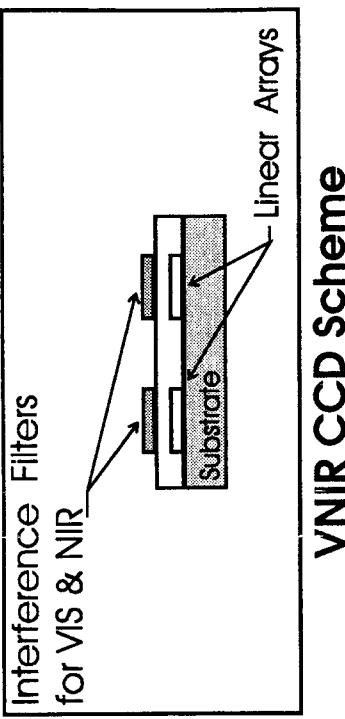
integrated in the same package. Linear arrays of 500 pixels are a mature technology and the integration of linear arrays, side by side, can be provided.

For VIS and NIR bands the Silicon is the typical detector material. Both linear and area CCD arrays of 512 (or 512xN) pixels are a mature technology for many manufacturers. Two configurations have been considered:

- ◊ Use of two lines of the same area array
- ◊ Use of two linear arrays in the same focal plane



Area Array for VNIR



VNIR CCD Scheme

RADIOMETRIC ANALYSIS

The radiometric performances have been analysed via a computer model, developed by Officine Galileo.

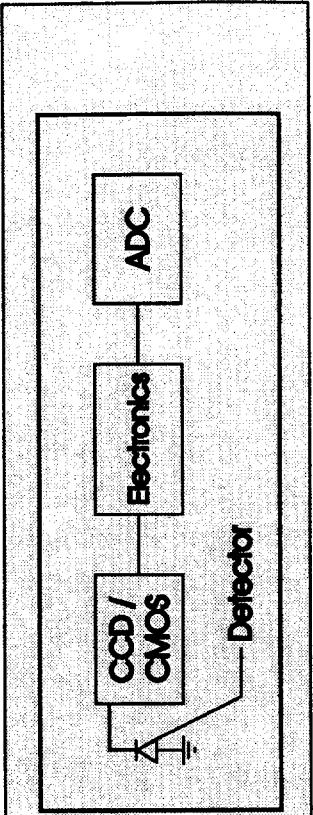
This software allows to calculate the radiometric performances in terms of **SNR in VNIR / SWIR** regions and in terms of **Noise Equivalent Temperature difference (NEdT) in TIR** region.

The main model's outputs are:

- ◆ Radiometric resolution (RR), where the noise is considered among the pixels of the same image's column (along track)

- ◆ Relative spatial accuracy (RSA) where the noise is considered among the pixels of the same image's row (across track)
- ◆ Absolute accuracy (AA) where only the calibration errors are taken into account

These figures are function of system parameters \Rightarrow spatial sampling interval, orbit altitude, spectral bands, pupil diameter, optics and atmospheric transmittance, clouds albedo for VNIR / SWIR and clouds temperature for TIR.



The model computes signal and noise assuming this detection scheme, adding quadratically the different noise contributions of each block.

(albedo=1.1) has been calculated vs pupil diameter.

Results for VNIR/SWIR

The integration time T_i , required to get the saturation, at maximum of dynamic range

With $SSI = 600 \text{ m} \Rightarrow T_{i \max} = 85 \text{ ms}$

Only very small aperture diameters D_r (1-2 mm for VNIR and 4 mm for SWIR) allow the use of this time interval.
 Higher D_r can be used reducing the integration time.

VNIR / SWIR Radiometric Parameters			
Bands	D_r (mm)	F#	\bar{T}_i (ms)
B1 - VIS	4.3	2.5	10
B2 - NIR	4.3	2.5	15
B3 - SWIR	10	2.5	15

Assumption : SSI = 600 m

Also for TIR the saturation, due to high photon flux, has to be taken into account.

TIR Radiometric Parameters

Bands	D_r (mm)	F#	\bar{T}_i (ms)
B4 - TIR1	10	2.5	1
B5 - TIR2	10	2.5	0.4

Assumption : SSI = 600 m

An improvement of the NEdt of a single acquisition can be achieved with an oversampling within the interval of 85 ms.

Radiometric performances at nominal radiance ($T_s = 300$ K) in K with oversampling

	ESA Specs.	TIR 1 (63 samples)	TIR 2 (122 samples)
RR	0.25	0.12	0.21
RSA	0.25	0.13	0.25
AA	1	0.13	0.17

SNR for F# = 2.5 and albedo = 1

	ESA Specs.	VIS	NIR	SWIR
RR	200	1111	1062	2824
RSA	200	273	265	284
AA	10 %	ca 5 %	ca 5 %	ca 5 %

Results for TIR



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The value of dark current and dark current drift have been calculated considering a detector operating **T= 65 K** because higher values bring to radiometric

performances out of the specifications ⇒ **Need for a cryocooler.**

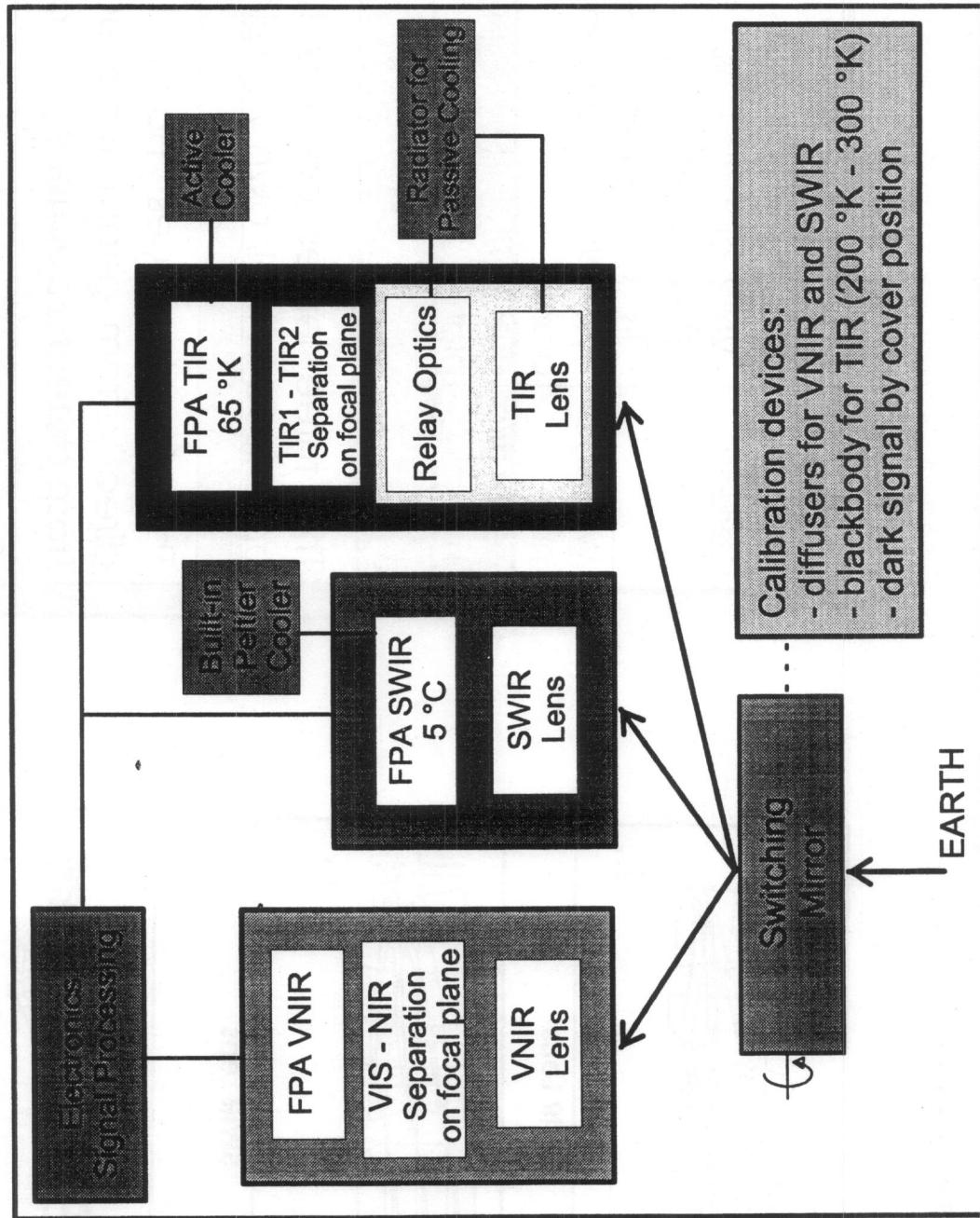


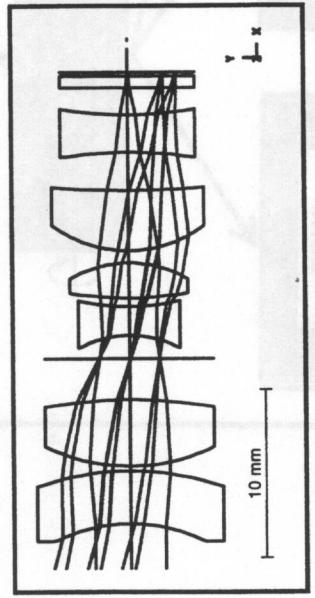
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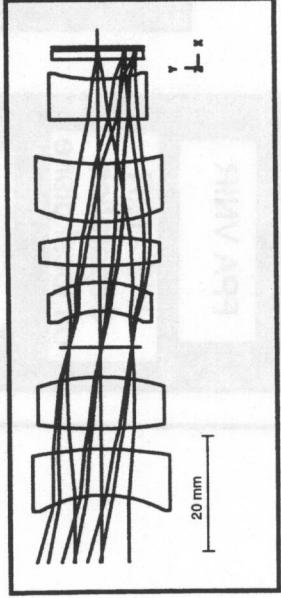
INSTRUMENT BLOCK DIAGRAM



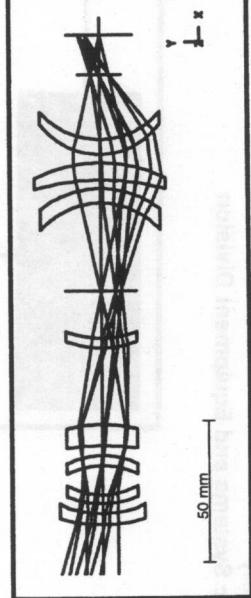




VNIR Lens



SWIR Lens



TIR Lens

Optics	FOV	32° \Rightarrow Swath = 287 km
Lenses	-	VNIR: dioptric lens, F = 10.8 mm, F# = 2.5 - SWIR: dioptric lens, F = 25 mm, F# = 2.5 - TIR : dioptric lens, F = 25 mm, F# = 2.5
Wavebands	separatio n	- VIS / NIR : in-field separation on focal plane - TIR1 / TIR2: in-field separation on focal plane

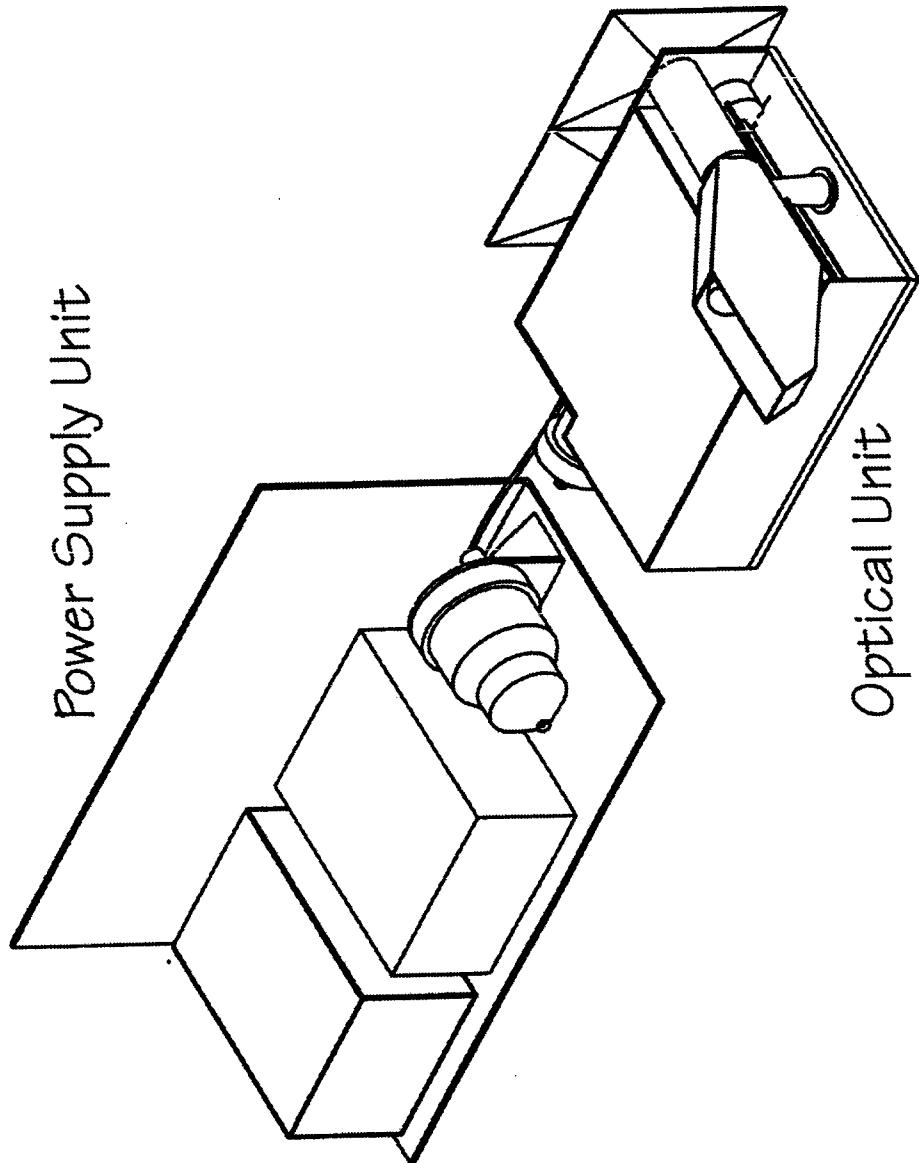
The three lenses are dioptrics objectives optimized in their own wavelength range.

The focal values have been derived directly from geometrical parameters and from detectors dimensional characteristics.

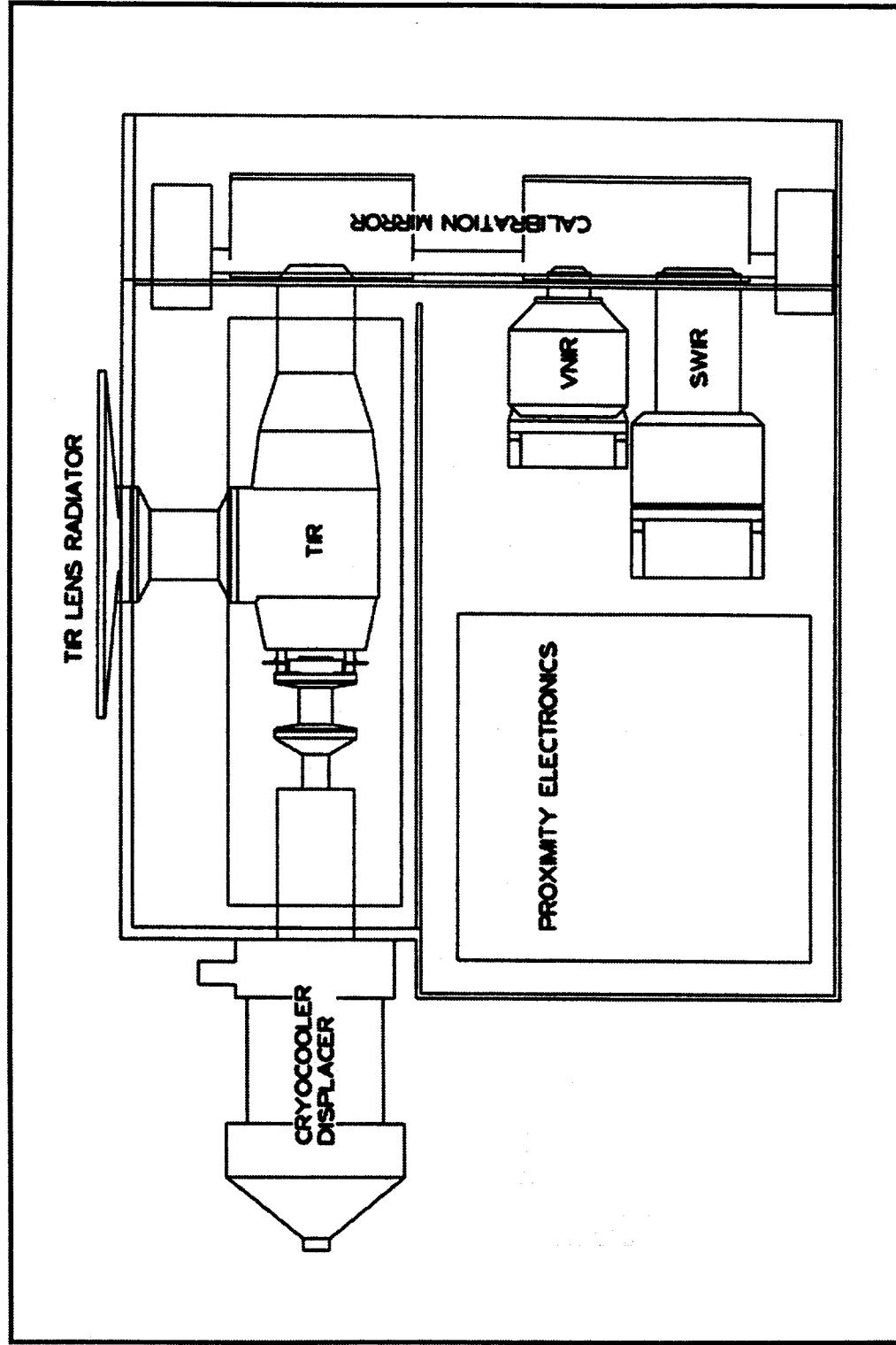
The aperture diameters have been assumed those required to meet the

radiometric requirements since the lenses
are quasi-diffraction limited systems.

CLOUD IMAGER ASSEMBLY



OPTICAL UNIT





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DIMENSION $\approx 380 \times 310 \times 130$ mm

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UNCOOLED FPA (TIR) OPTION

• One of the drawback of the described design is the need of the cryocooler. Its high power consumption, cost (for a space qualified product), weight, presence of vibration, could set severe limits to a compact, light, low power consumption instrument.

• In recent years the availability of uncooled detectors for the Thermal IR bands, based on arrays of thermal detectors and, in particular, on bolometric type, has suggested to investigate these new devices and their application to space TIR imagers for Earth Observation purposes.

• The activities of this study phase has been performed having the National Institute of Optics / Institut National d'optique - Quebec City, Canada (INO/NOL) as consultant.



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A Finmeccanica

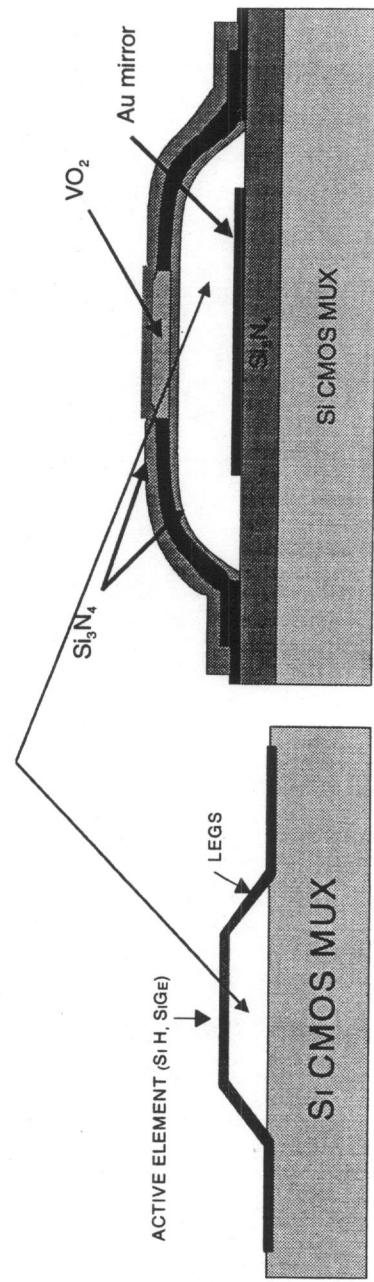
- The second phase of this work is then the result of the coordinated activity between OG and INO/NOI.



MICROBOLOMETERS ARRAYS

HIGH SENSITIVITY → HIGH INSULATION W.R.T. SUBSTRATE → MICROBRIDGE STRUCTURE

2-3 μm vacuum gap

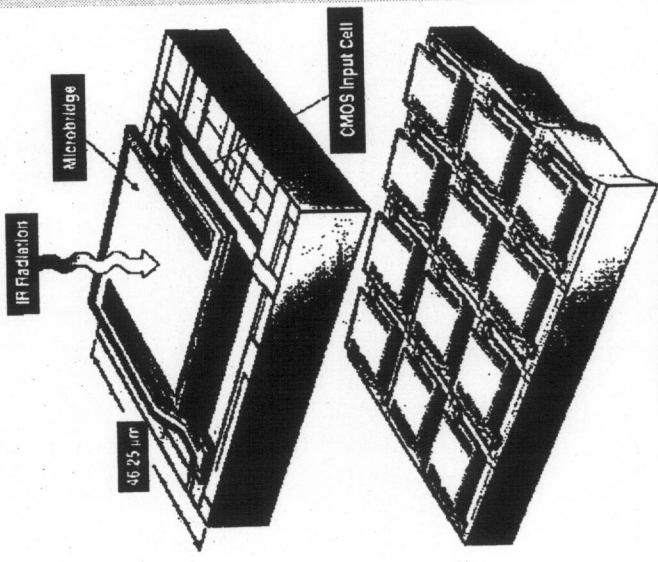


LETI-LIR / SOFRADIR (F)
IMEC (B)

BOEING (USA)
LOCKHEED-MARTIN (USA)
SBRC (USA)
INO/NOI (CANADA)

PIXEL DIMENSION: 50 μm
FORMAT: 320 X 240

Unit Cell Design



MODELLING OF MICROBOLOMETER

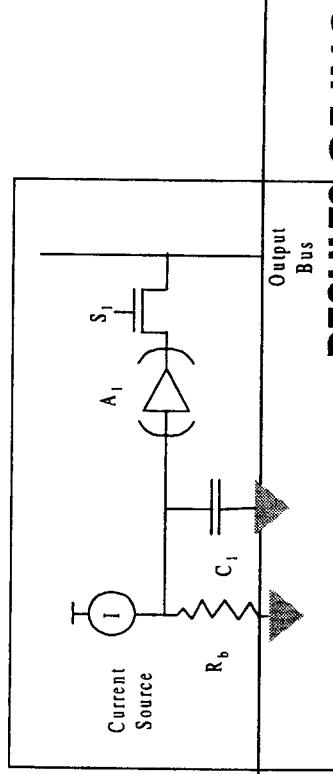
- A computer model calculating the **responsivity** and **noise** of microbolometers arrays has been developed and validate with respect to existing devices.

- Simulation have been performed, together with INO/NOI, to evaluate the performances of μ Bs arrays designed for the CLOUD IMAGER application.

Assumptions

- Linear array 256 pixel $60 \mu\text{m} \times 60 \mu\text{m}$
 $(\text{SSI} < 1000\text{m Swath } 150 - 300 \text{ Km})$

Max filter bandwidth $\approx 5 \text{ kHz}$
(due to largest capacitor we can implement on chip)
From that the oversampling, can be used. It is the multiple acquisition during the dwell time (85 ms); then the samples can be averaged at on board processing level.

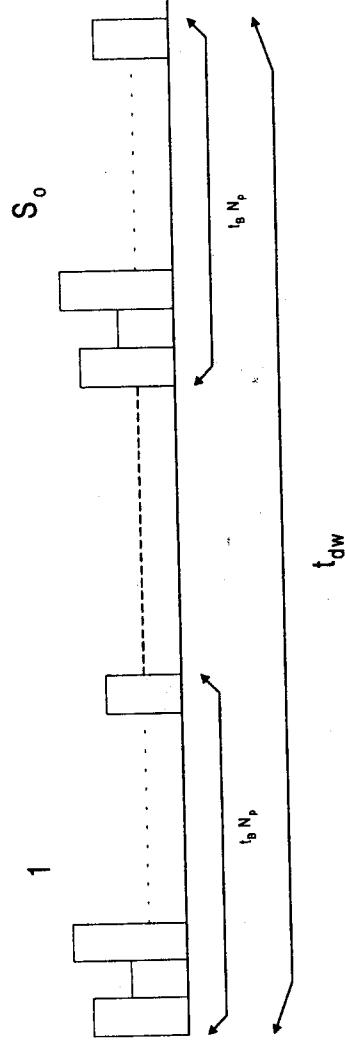


RESULTS OF INO/NOI SIMULATION

S_0 = number of samples during the dwell time.

Pulse bias is used to get higher responsivity.

We need a trade-off between the filter bandwidth and the number of samples.



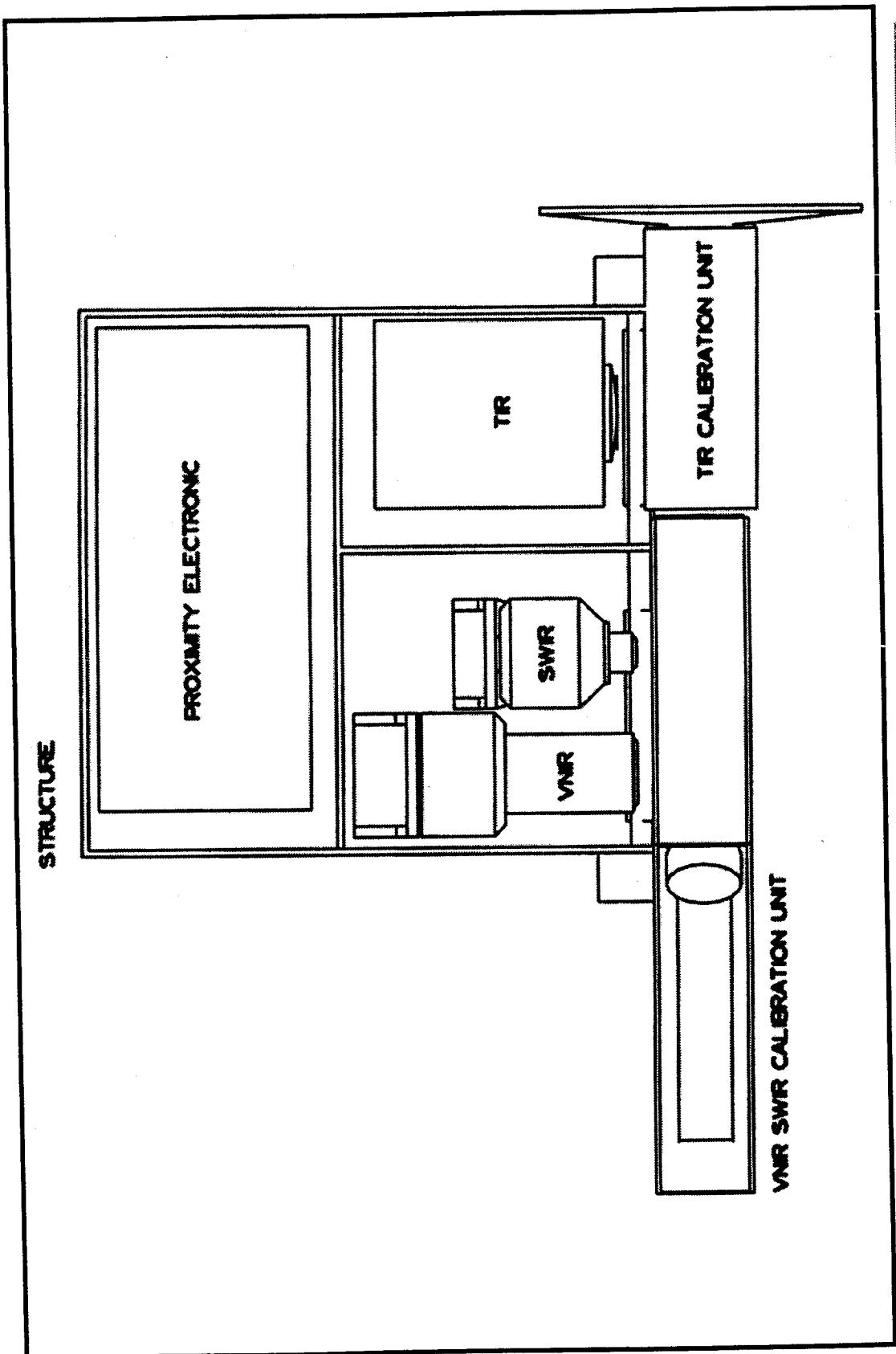
Suggested baseline (Pulsed bias no oversampling)

IR Band	Die Width (mm)	Over Samp	t_{ther} (ms)	Absorp	$\text{NEP}_S (10^{-10} \text{ watts})$	ESA Specs.	NEdIT (K)
4	7	1	49.6	0.24	0.434	0.25	0.256
5	7	1	8.9	0.81	0.152	0.25	0.049

• Smaller die than using a DC bias.**• Less processing of data**

- Slanting of the image due to satellite motion (the pixels are read sequentially)
- NEdit can be reduced by using N parallel times of pixel and digital FDI at process level

OPTICAL UNIT LAYOUT



POWER AND MASS BUDGET**Mass (gr)**

	Coooled TIR FPA	Uncooled TIR FPA
OPTICAL HEAD	11400	10100
ELECTRONIC BOX	15400	1900
+cryocooler for MCT FPA option		
Total	26800	12000

Power (Watt)

	Coooled TIR FPA	Uncooled TIR FPA
OPTICAL HEAD	16	25
ELECTRONIC BOX	64	20
+cryocooler for MCT FPA option		

Total	80	45
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CONCLUSIONS

The study showed that the hypothesis to utilize a pushbroom concept for the Cloud Imager presents some interesting features:

- The opto-mechanical system has quite compact dimensions and all the main elements can be placed on the same optical bench.
- The radiometric analysis shows that the solution using both cooled or uncooled FPA can meet the radiometric requirements in all five bands.
(The VNIR/SWIR channels are the same in both solutions)

- The TIR uncooled FPA solution is, clearly, the most attractive even if some critical point, such as thermal control of FPA, must be deeply investigate in the next study phase to clarify the feasibility of an uncooled CLOUD IMAGER

**III. TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT
C. PASSIVE SENSOR CONCEPTS AND
TECHNOLOGIES**

BROADBAND RADIOMETER

R. MERCIER YTHIER, REOSC



BBR

- I BBR main specifications**
- II Results of the trade-off studies**
- III Instrument description**
- IV Main performances**
- V Critical points review**



BBR Main requirements

2 spectral channels :

- ✓ Short Wave [0.2 , 4 μm]
- ✓ Long Wave [4 , 50 μm]

Swath : 120 km, across track

Pixel number : 5

Radiometric requirements :

- ✓ Resolution : 0.5 W/m²/sr
- ✓ Absolute accuracy : 1.5 W/m²/sr

Results of the trade-off studies



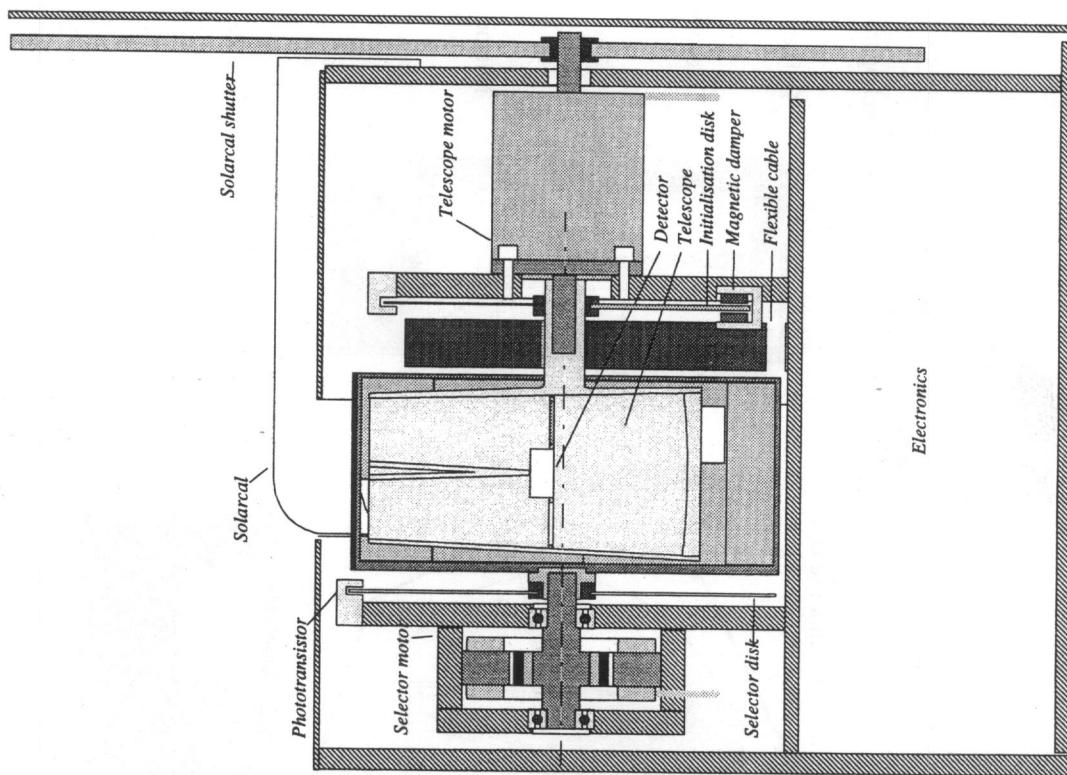
- ✓ The main design constraints are :
- ✓ the necessity of in-flight calibration
- ✓ the limitation of the number of mechanisms in order to minimize the overall cost
- ✓ the limitation of the complexity of the optical design in order to obtain good radiometric performances

Results of the trade-off studies

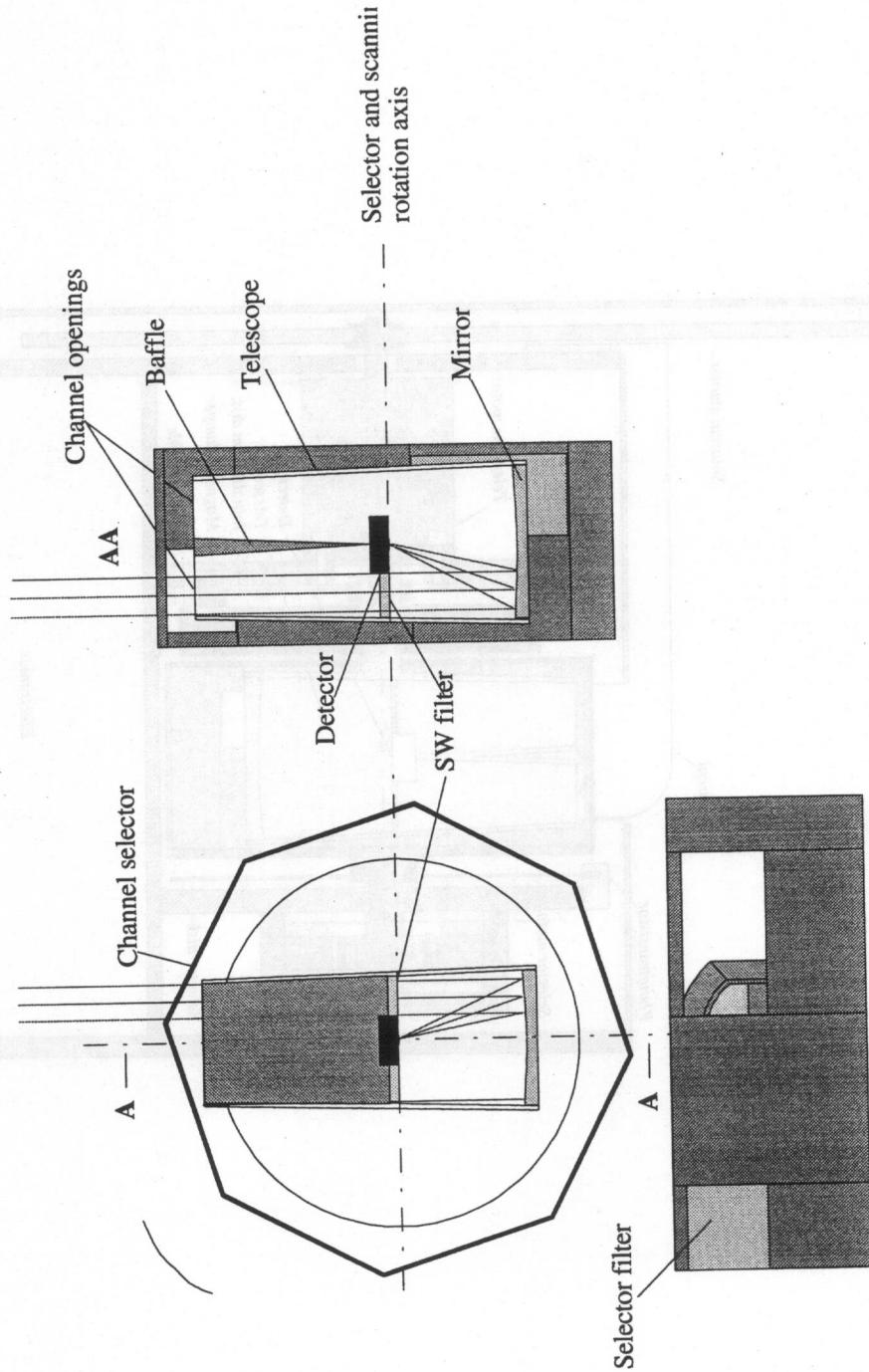
The trade-off studies have led to the following design :

- ✓ scanning radiometer
- ✓ Multiplexed spectral bands (same telescope for both bands)
- ✓ LW radiance ([4 ; 50 μm]) obtained by subtracting the SW to the total radiance
- ✓ In-flight calibration using a Black Body Simulator (BBS) and Solar Diffusers (Solarcal)

Instrument description



Channel Selection



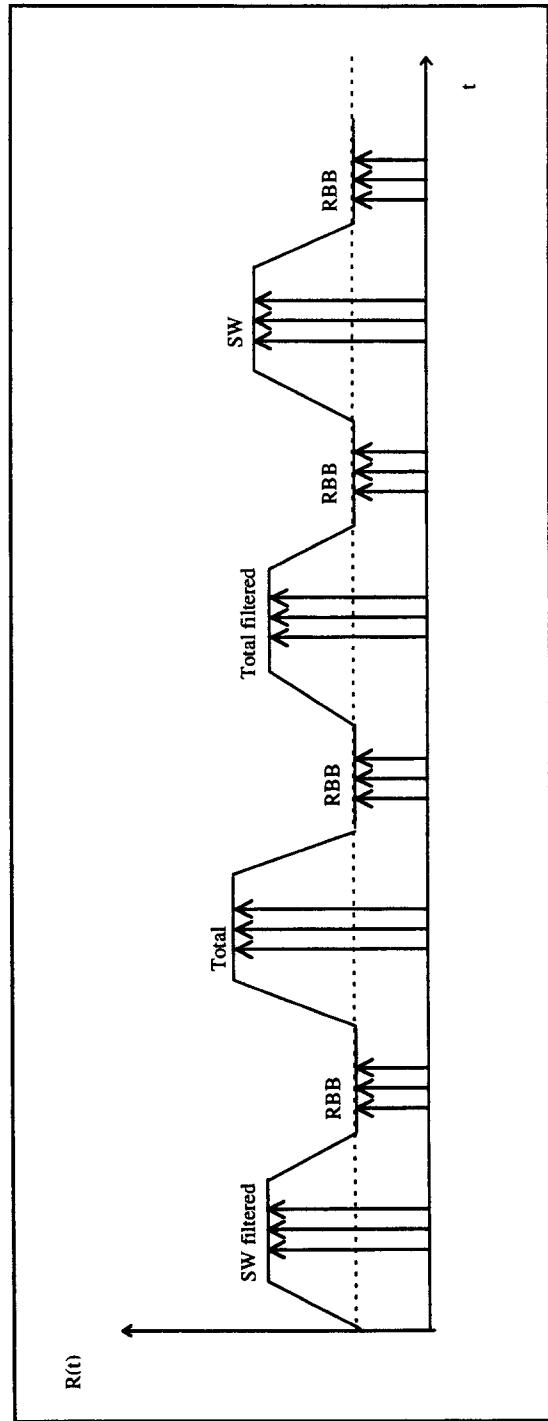
Radiance measurement



Use of a pyroelectric detector

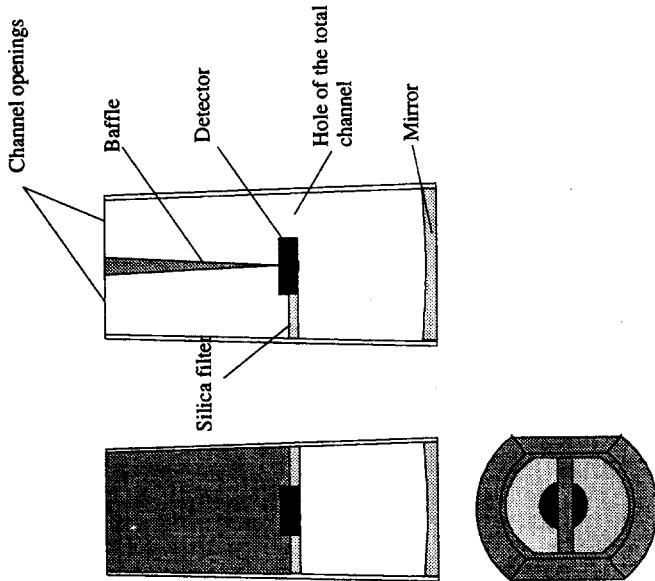
Alternation of scene sights and sights of the back face of the selector (RBB sight)

Alternation of channel sights



Instrument description

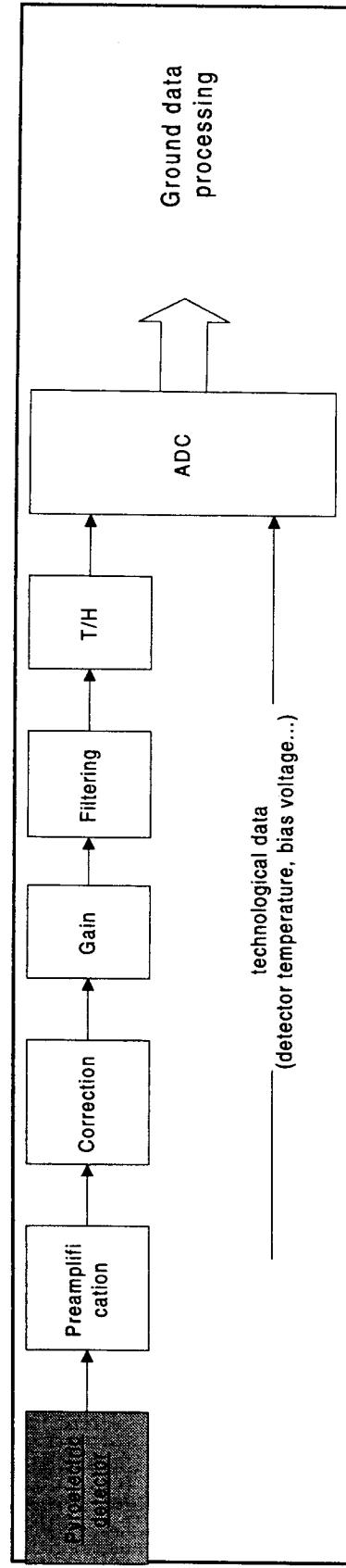
- pyroelectric detector, without window, $3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^2$
- parabolic mirror $f=28.1 \text{ mm}$, $\phi 28.1 \text{ mm}$
- silica filter for the SW channel



Detection electronics



- Same overall architecture as ScaRaB/Meteor
- Bandwidth : [0.1 ; 300 Hz]
- $f_{\text{pixel}} = 8 \text{ Hz}$
- $\text{NEP} = 0.035 \text{ W/m}^2/\text{sr}$



Channel selector



- rotation speed : 8 Hz
- motion independent on the scanning mechanism
- selector position error < 1/1000 turn
- position detected thanks to a disk with 8 holes fixed on the selector and a photodiode transistor
- synchronisation of the motion with a reference clock using a phase locked loop
- self commutated synchronous motor, with permanent magnet at the rotor
- same bearings as the choppers of ScaRaB/Meteor, dry lubricant : MoS2, preload : 75 N, friction torque : 1 mN.m
- no launch locking device

Calibration strategy

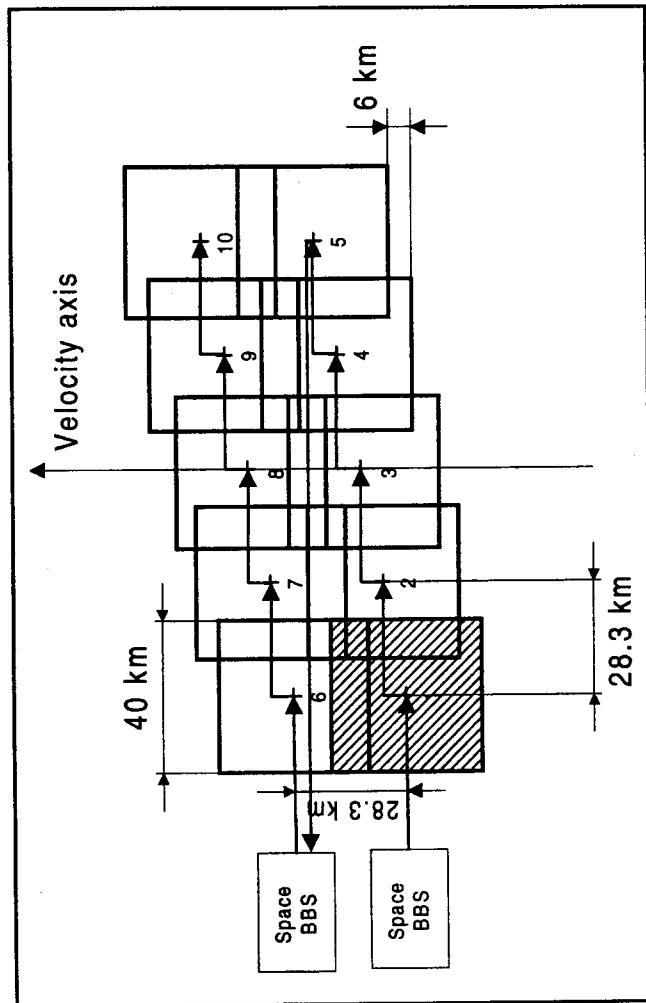


In-flight calibration includes :

- ✓ space sight to subtract offset and determine the RBB radiance,
 - ✓ BBS sight to determine the non spectral gain of the instrument,
 - ✓ Solar sight to monitor spectral drifts,
 - ✓ Cross-calibration of the two channels in sighting a SW scene through the selector filters
- On-ground calibration includes :
- ✓ BBR spectral response,
 - ✓ BBS calibration.

Pixel scanning

Scan period : 4.06 s
Pixels number : 5
Stop duration for each pixel : 0.377 s

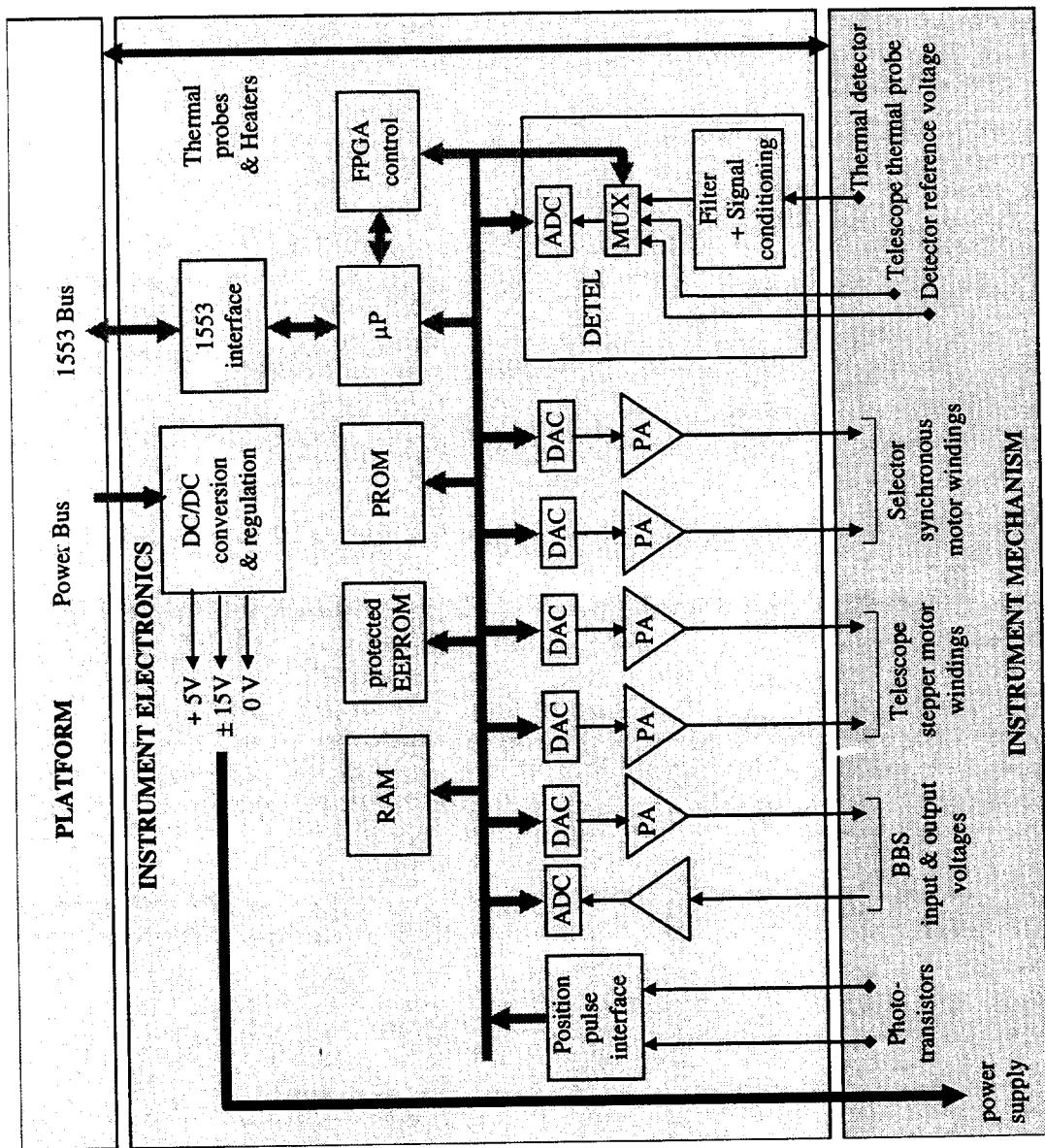


Scanning mechanism



- stepper motor (**400 steps**)
- same ball bearings as the chopper of ScaRaB/Meteor
- bearings preload : 50 N
- step duration : 1/128 s
- average speed between two steps : 20 tr/min
- stabilisation error < 1 mrad (500 m on-ground)
- mechanism initialisation involving a phototransistor device
- mechanism lifetime estimation > 10 years
- no launch locking device

Instrument electronics





Geometrical performances

Pointing accuracy

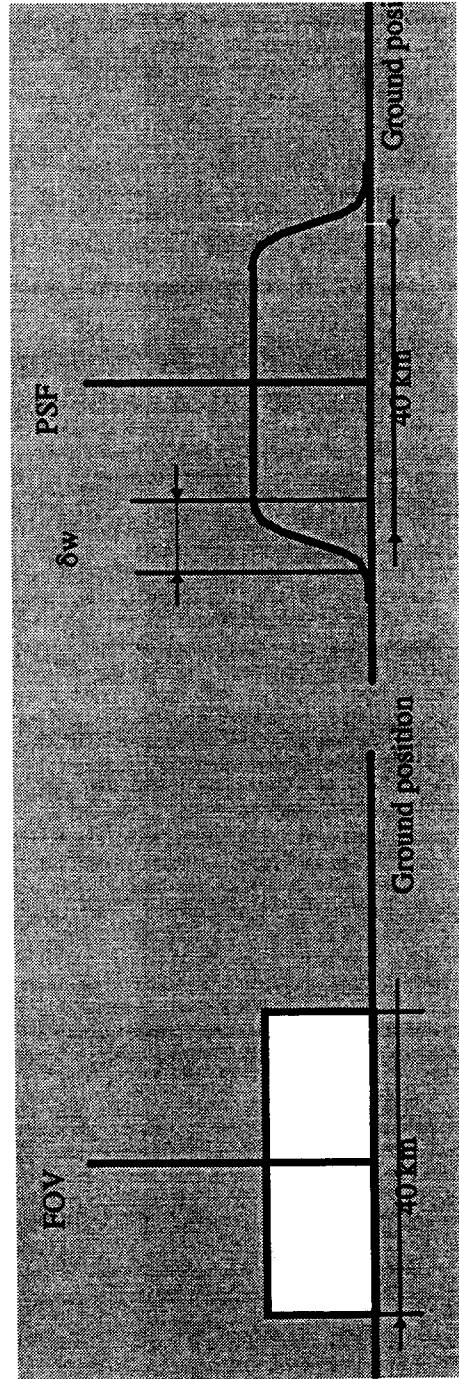
Budget	1.5 Km
misalignment of the telescope with respect to the interface with satellite reference frame	0.35 Km
scanning accuracy	1 Km

Co-registration

- easily met because of multiplexing

Optical performances

FOV and PSF



Main sources of degradation

- Geometric aberrations
- Stray light
- diffraction
- Trailing

Optical performances



	δw
Aberrations	4 mrad
Diffraction	0.03 mrad (@ 500 nm)
Stray light	negligible
Trailing	6 mrad
Budget	7.2 mrad

Radiometric performances

Requirements

Radiometric resolution	< 0.5 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹
Absolute accuracy	< 1.5 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹

Radiometric resolution is the *instrument noise* (random errors which could be averaged)

Absolute accuracy is the sum of *unknown offset* with *gain error* (proportional to the input radiance)



Radiometric resolution

Noise errors are detection electronic noise. The main sources are :

- ✓ dielectric noise
- ✓ amplifier noise
- ✓ thermal noise
- ✓ Current and Johnson noise
- ✓ 1/f noise
- ✓ Quantization noise



Absolute accuracy

Unknown offsets are :

- ✓ cross talk between channels due to the detection chain
 - ✓ stray light
 - ✓ RBB temperature variations
 - ✓ thermal leak of the SW filter
 - ✓ cross calibration errors
- Gain errors are
- ✓ spectral drift of the instrument
 - ✓ knowledge of the instrument gain

SW estimated performances



Contributor	Scene 1	Scene 2	Scene 3
Gain error (3σ)	1.48 %	1.53 %	1.60 %
Residual Offset (3σ)	0.32 $\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$	0.32 $\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$	0.32 $\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$
Noise errors (3σ)	0.10 $\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$	0.10 $\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$	0.10 $\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$

Scene 1 is ocean with thick clouds

Scene 2 is ocean with thin clouds

Scene 3 is desert with thin and high clouds

LW estimated performances



Contributor	LW scene
Gain error (3σ)	1.05 %
Noise errors (3σ)	0.14 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹

SW radiance	0 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹	100 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹	200 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹	370 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹
Offset (3σ)	0.18 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹	0.3 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹	0.42 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹	0.62 W.m ⁻² .sr ⁻¹

III. Main interface characteristics

- Estimated mass : about 6 kg
- Volume : 260 X 210 X170
- Power consumption : 20 W rms
- Data rate : < 5 kbauds
- Telescope reaction torque : < 50 mN.m
- Selector kinetic momentum : 0.01 mN.m



IV. THE PLANS

EARTH EXPLORER EARTH RADIATION MISSION, PHASE A ACTIVITY PLAN

A. TOBIAS, ESA, EOPP

IV. THE PLANS: THE ERM PHASE A ACTIVITY PLAN

- 1- The Explorer mission selection mechanism**
- 2- The Explorer mission selection criteria**
- 3 - The full reference plan**
- 4 - The Phase A activities**
 - 4.1 Mission definition**
 - 4.2 System definition**
 - 4.3 Technology and support**
- 5. Overall phase A plan**

1. THE EXPLORER MISSION SELECTION MECHANISM

- A four step selection mechanism is established for the core Earth Explorer missions:

Step	Contents
1	Call for ideas and selection for step 2
2	Assessment studies and selection for step 3
>> 3	Phase A studies and selection for step 4
4	Implementation (B, C, D, E)

- Step 1, was completed in 1994 - 1995 >> Nine candidate mission concepts
- Step 2, was completed in 1995 - 1996 >> Reports for Assessment, Granada ...
- Step 3 is ongoing, selection for transition to step 4 expected second half 1999.

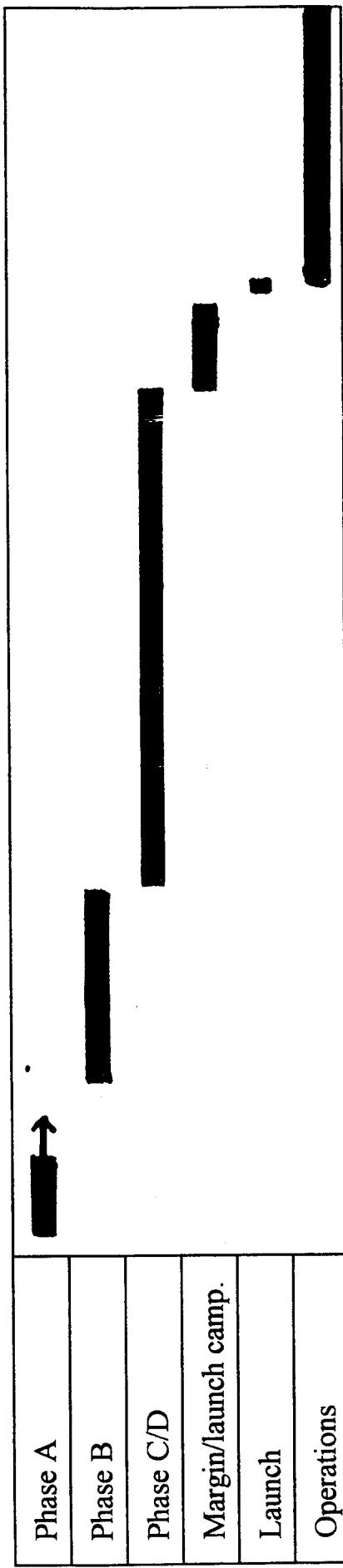
2. THE EXPLORER MISSION SELECTION CRITERIA

- Seven selection criteria agreed for application at each step transition:

- 1. Relevance to the research objectives of the Earth Explorer**
- 2. Need, usefulness and excellence**
- 3. Uniqueness and complementarity**
- 4. Degree of innovation and contribution to the advancement of European Earth Observation capabilities**
- 5. Feasibility and level of maturity**
- 6. Timeliness**
- 7. Programmatic**

3. THE FULL REFERENCE PLAN

PROJECT PHASE	YEAR					
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
						2006



4. THE PHASE A ACTIVITIES

- Phase A activities are defined to enable the planned future:
 - Selection after phase A, two out of the four candidates according to established selection criteria
 - Implementation, phase B, C, D, E - Earth Observation Envelope Programme
 - Reference launch date: January 2005 - Science operations: two years
- Three main activity groups:

- 1- Mission definition activities: establishment of requirements and estimation of mission performance
 - >> Mission Advisory Group
 - >> Scientific studies
 - >> Campaigns
- 2- System analysis and definition: phase A system study
- 3- Technology and support: key elements of mission architecture
 - Activities carried out with scientific institutes and industry

4.1. THE PHASE A ACTIVITIES - Mission definition

- Mission Advisory Group

- Generates Mission Requirements Document: objectives, requirements, data processing, etc.
- Advices on scientific studies and campaigns and on suitability of system options

- Scientific studies

	Contractor	Reference
Synergy of ERM observations	MPBT	12068/96
Analysis of CLARA (Dutch Cloud and Radiation campaign) data	KNMI	12953/98
Quantification of synergy	Univ.Reading starting	
Impact of ERM observations on NWP	ECWMF	starting

The ongoing and starting scientific studies address the “synergetic” aspects of the ERM. Observation synergy is a critical point but at the same time the scientific strength and uniqueness of ERM compared to other mission concepts.

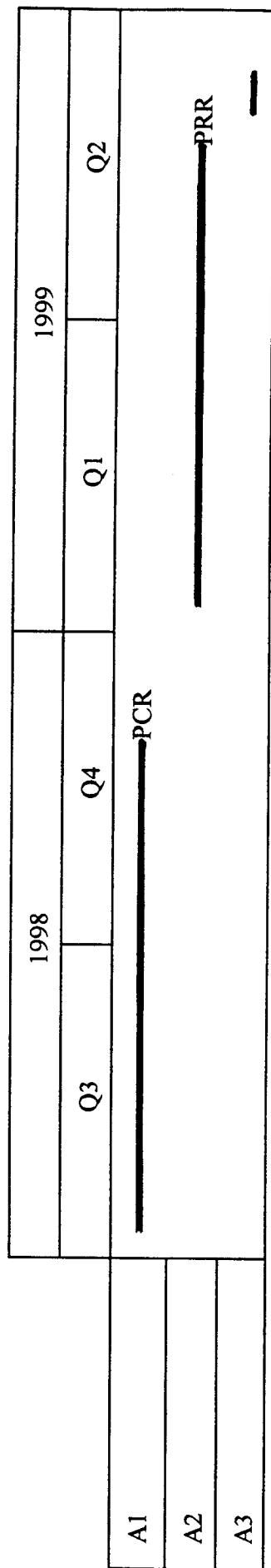
A study also address explicitly immediate usefulness.

- Campaigns

- CLARE: Campaign led by the University of Readings with EOPP support

4.2. THE PHASE A ACTIVITIES: System definition - The Phase A system study

- End-to-end system study, space segment (platform, instruments, satellite) and ground segment (command and data acquisition, mission operations and satellite control, processing and archiving) and operations concepts,
- Three natural steps separated by two review points (also according to ECSS)
 - **A1: Option identification and trade-off**
 - Analysis of requirements, identification of system options, preliminary concepts, trade-off
>> PCR: Preliminary Concept Review: System baseline selection
 - **A2: Detailed definition of baseline**
 - To the level required to assess mission performance and system costing
>> PRR: Preliminary Requirements Review: tuning mission - system, agreement for costing
 - **A3: Consolidation and detailed costing**



4.3. THE PHASE A ACTIVITIES: Technology and support

- Address critical elements. ESA Earth Observation and technology programmes and national initiatives

Reusability of ground segment	MMS-F	
ATLID development	MMS-F	
Lidar signal retrieval under low SNR conditions (2x)	TNO, Univ. of Geneve	
Cloud Profiling Radar breadboard	Alenia Difesa	
CPR, LNA development	Yllinen	
CPR, EIK prequalification	CPI	
CPR, Upconverter development	TBD	
CPR, optimisation	TBD	
Cloud imager concepts (including uncooled concepts) for ERM	Alenia Difesa	
Broadband radiometer concepts for ERM	REOSC	

- Known national European activities (mainly in France) also followed.

5. OVERALL PHASE A PLANNING

ERM

