

Integrated Profiling Technique (IPT):

An advanced method to synergize Columnal
Observations

to be used for

Climate Monitoring and Process Studies

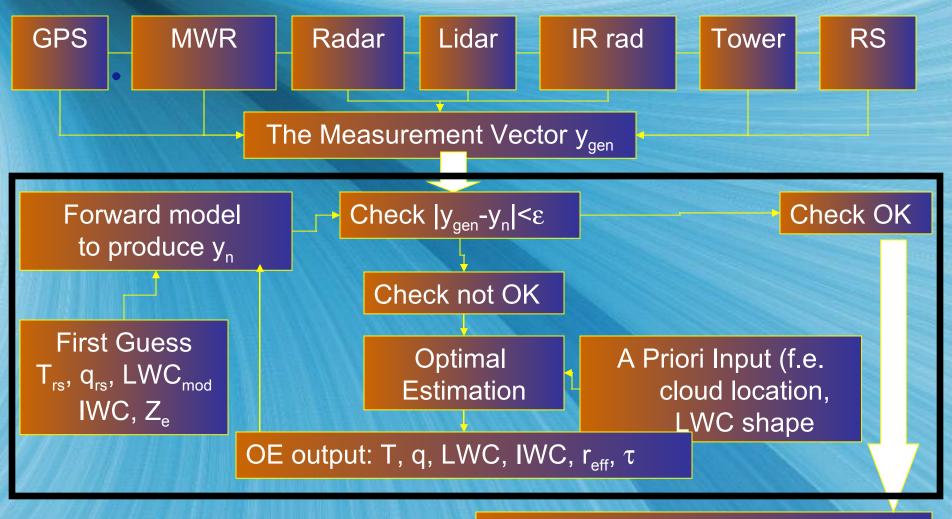
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Quality Control

- Instrument 1 > Determine precision / accuracy
- Instrument 2 > Determine Precision / accuracy
- Big Question: <u>Is the output from instrument 1</u> consistent with the output from instrument 2?
- Possible answer: Integration of instrumental output into one product
- [Is not the same as assimilation]

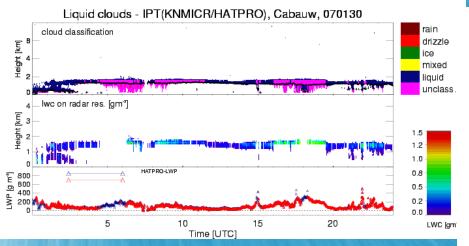


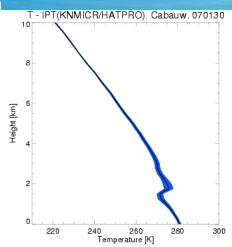
Direct Output: T, q, LWC, IWC, r_{eff}, τ

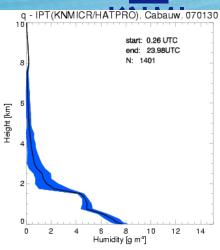
Flow Chart for the complete IPT

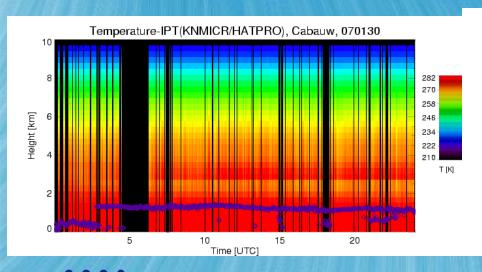
IPT data 30 January 2007

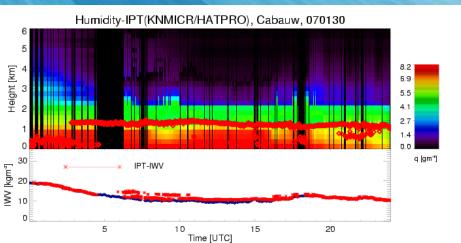








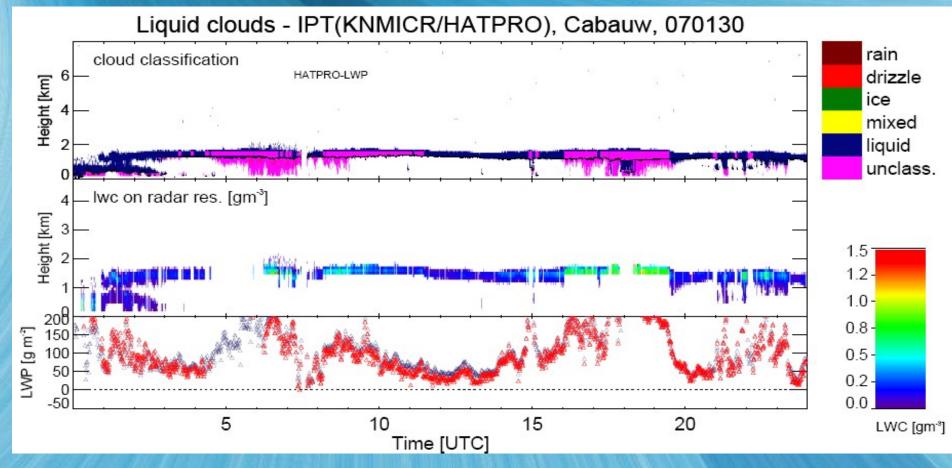


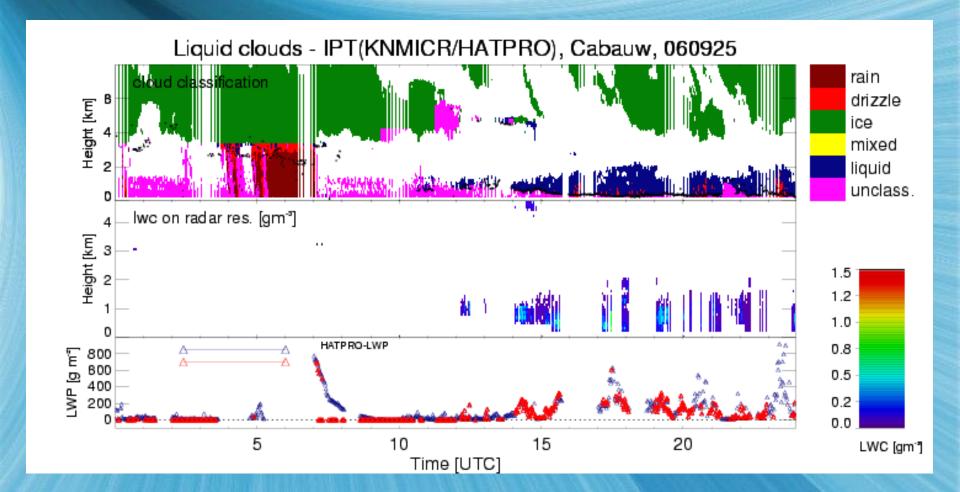


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Integrated Profiling of Cloud and Thermodynamic Properties









Advantages of IPT:

- Output from different instruments are combined into one self-consistent product
- Integration technique provides error characteristics of instrumental output

[can be compared against GCOS standards]

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Challenges for the Future:

- include radiative flux profiles [BSRN, satellite]
- include ice clouds
- a continuous set of consistent, calibrated data