

Assimilation of cloud profiling radar using machine-learning-generated background errors and local ensemble tangent linear models

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Application of ML for flow-dependent DA

4DVar

- ✓ BG error
 - ✓ Climatological and EDA
- ✓ NL using a physics-based model
- ✓ TL/AD and LETLM/AD

4DVar with ML

This presentation

- ✓ BG error
 - ✓ Climatological and ML
- ✓ NL using ML?
- ✓ TL/AD using ML?

LETLM (e.g. Payne 2021)

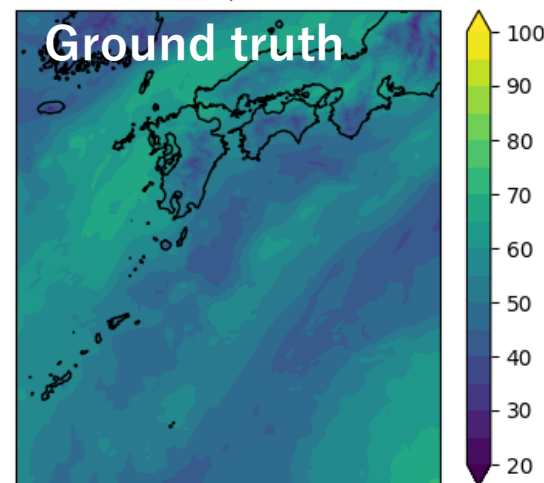
$$\delta \mathbf{x}(t+1) = \mathbf{M} \delta \mathbf{x}(t)$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \delta \mathbf{x}(t) \delta \mathbf{X}^T (\delta \mathbf{X} \delta \mathbf{X}^T)^+$$

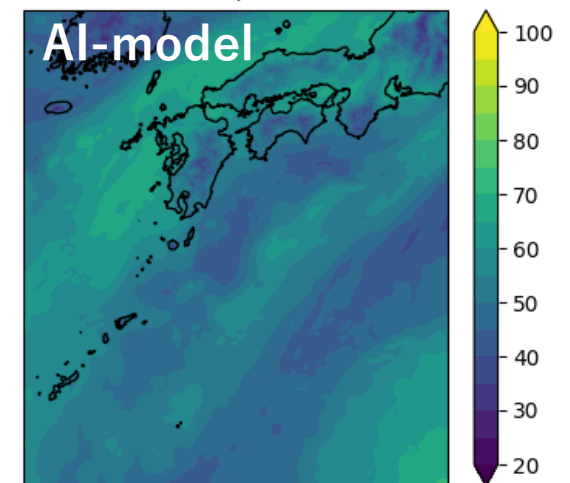
LETLM can easily perform TL for complex physical schemes.

Preliminary result of GNN regional model (5km)

Ground truth at T+0h
Min=24.311728, Max=70.69962



Initial condition at T+0h
Min=24.311728, Max=70.69962

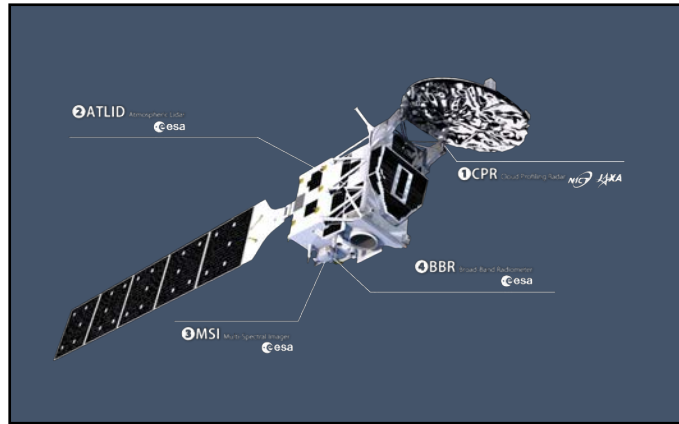


Precipitable water vapor (mm)

Init: 0000 UTC 24 Aug. 2024²

Assimilation of Cloud Profiling Radar (CPR)

Launched on 29 May 2024

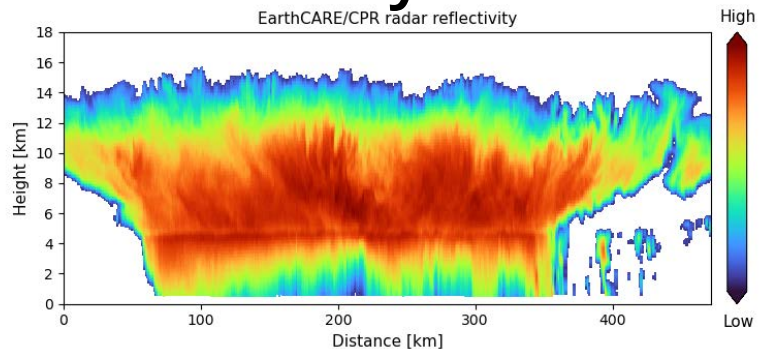


EarthCARE/CPR

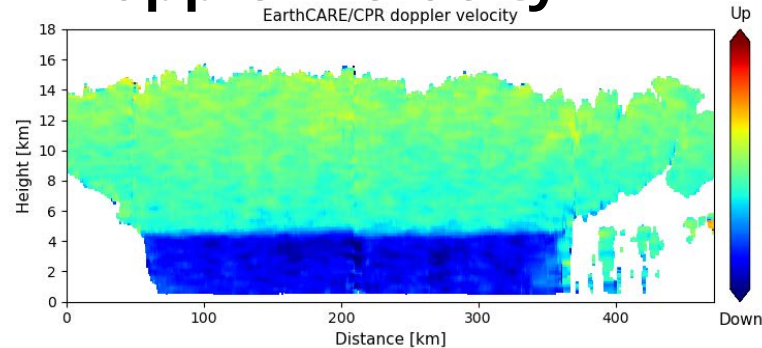
- ✓ CPR is developed by JAXA and NICT
- ✓ W-band radar
- ✓ Reflectivity and Doppler velocity
- ✓ Information on hydrometeors

However, **CloudSAT/CPR's data** was used since EarthCARE/CPR's data has not yet been made public.

Reflectivity

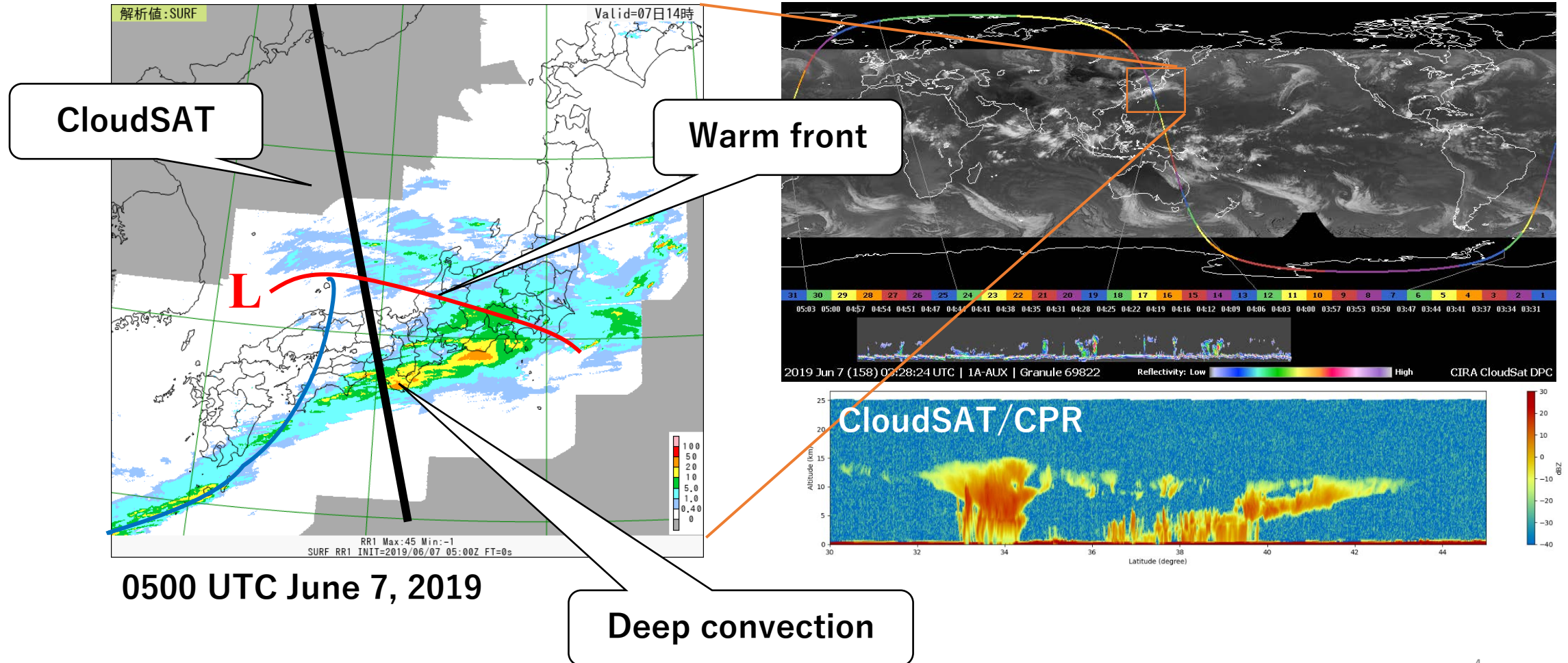


Doppler velocity



Case study of the precipitation system

Ground-based radar observation



Data assimilation system in this study

Method	Hybrid-4DVar
Horizontal grid spacing	Outer model: 5 km Inner model: 15 km
Control variables	U: x-direction wind speed, V: y-direction wind speed, PT: potential temperature, Ps: surface pressure, Tg: soil temperature, μ : pseudo humidity, Wg: soil volumetric water content Qi: mixing ratio of cloud ice Qs: mixing ratio of snow Qg: mixing ratio of graupel Qc: mixing ratio of cloud water Qr: mixing ratio of rain
Local ensemble tangent-linear model	Cloud microphysics scheme
Climatological background error	NMC method
Ensemble background error	100-member EDA (15km)

In this study, we focus on
BG error of hydrometeors.

- ✓ This system is based on JMA's regional data assimilation system (Ikuta et al. 2020).
- ✓ Related developments were introduced by Kawabata et al. (P1.02) on Monday.

LETLM for cloud microphysics scheme

$$x(t + 1) = x(t) + \left(\frac{dx(t)}{dt} \right)_{mp} \Delta t$$

Tendency of microphysics scheme

$$\left(\frac{dx(t)}{dt} \right)_{mp} = \mathbf{M}_{mp} \mathbf{K}_{diag} x(t)$$

Output LETLM Input

$$x(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \delta \left(\frac{\rho}{J} \right) \\ \delta \left(\frac{\rho \theta_m}{J} \right) \\ \delta \left(\frac{\rho Q_v}{J} \right) \\ \delta \left(\frac{\rho Q_i}{J} \right) \\ \delta \left(\frac{\rho Q_s}{J} \right) \\ \delta \left(\frac{\rho Q_g}{J} \right) \\ \delta \left(\frac{\rho Q_c}{J} \right) \\ \delta \left(\frac{\rho Q_r}{J} \right) \end{pmatrix}$$

Prognostic variable

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho}{J} \right) \\ \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho \theta_m}{J} \right) \\ \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_v}{J} \right) \\ \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_i}{J} \right) \\ \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_s}{J} \right) \\ \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_g}{J} \right) \\ \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_c}{J} \right) \\ \delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_r}{J} \right) \end{pmatrix}$$

Tendency

$$\mathbf{K}_{diag} x(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \delta p \\ \delta \theta \\ \delta Q_v \\ \delta Q_i \\ \delta Q_s \\ \delta Q_g \\ \delta Q_c \\ \delta Q_r \end{pmatrix}$$

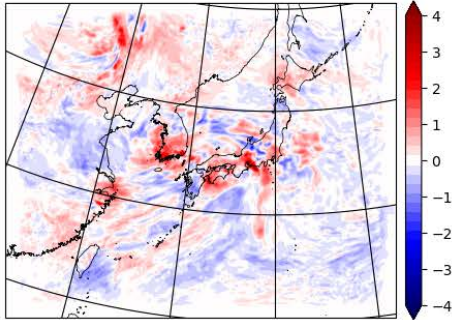
Diagnostic variable

LETLM for cloud microphysics scheme

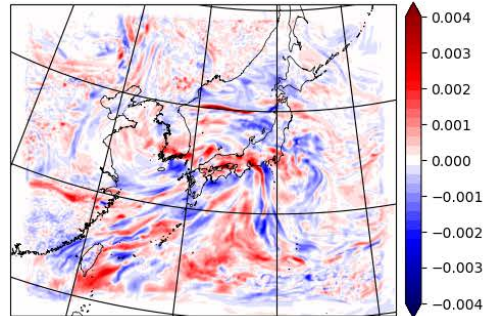
Perturbations of tendency are qualitatively similar

Potential
temperature $\delta\theta$

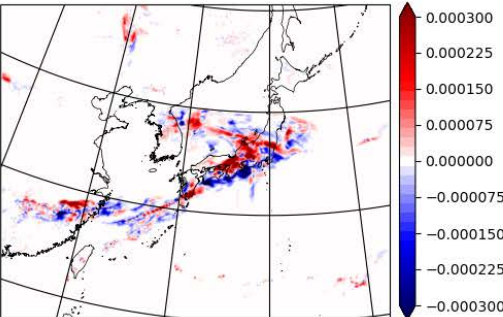
Input
Perturbation



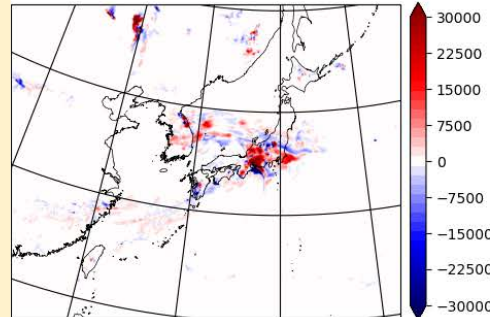
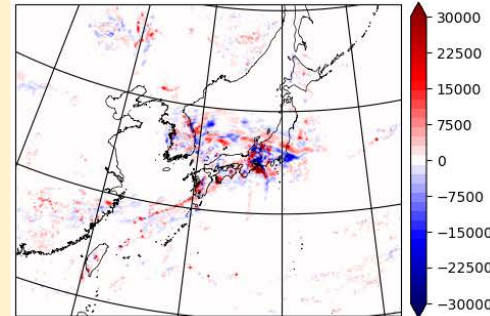
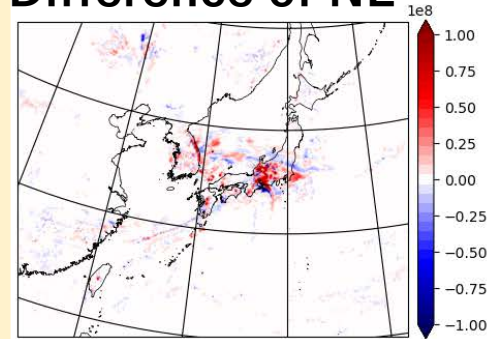
Specific
humidity δQ_v



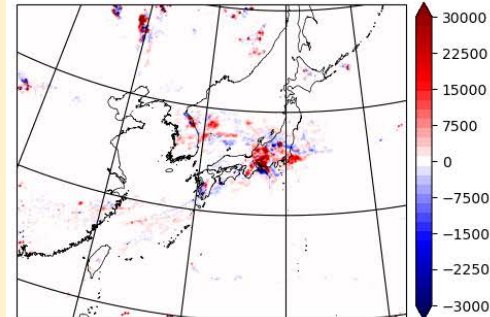
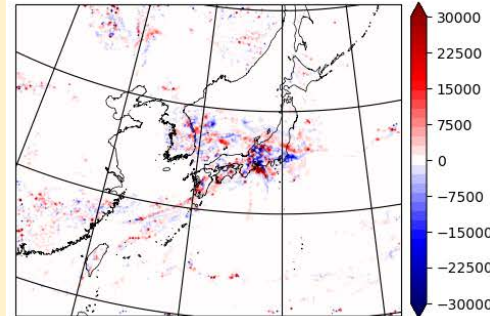
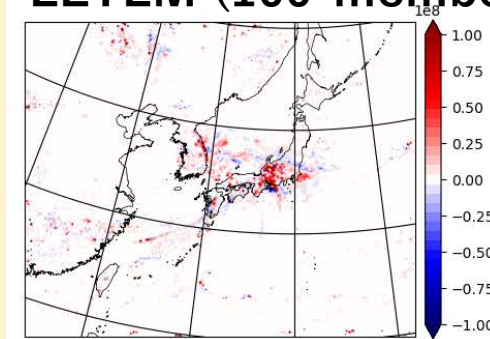
Mixing ratio
of rain δQ_r



Output
Difference of NL



Output
LETLM (100-member)



$$\delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho \theta_m}{J} \right)$$

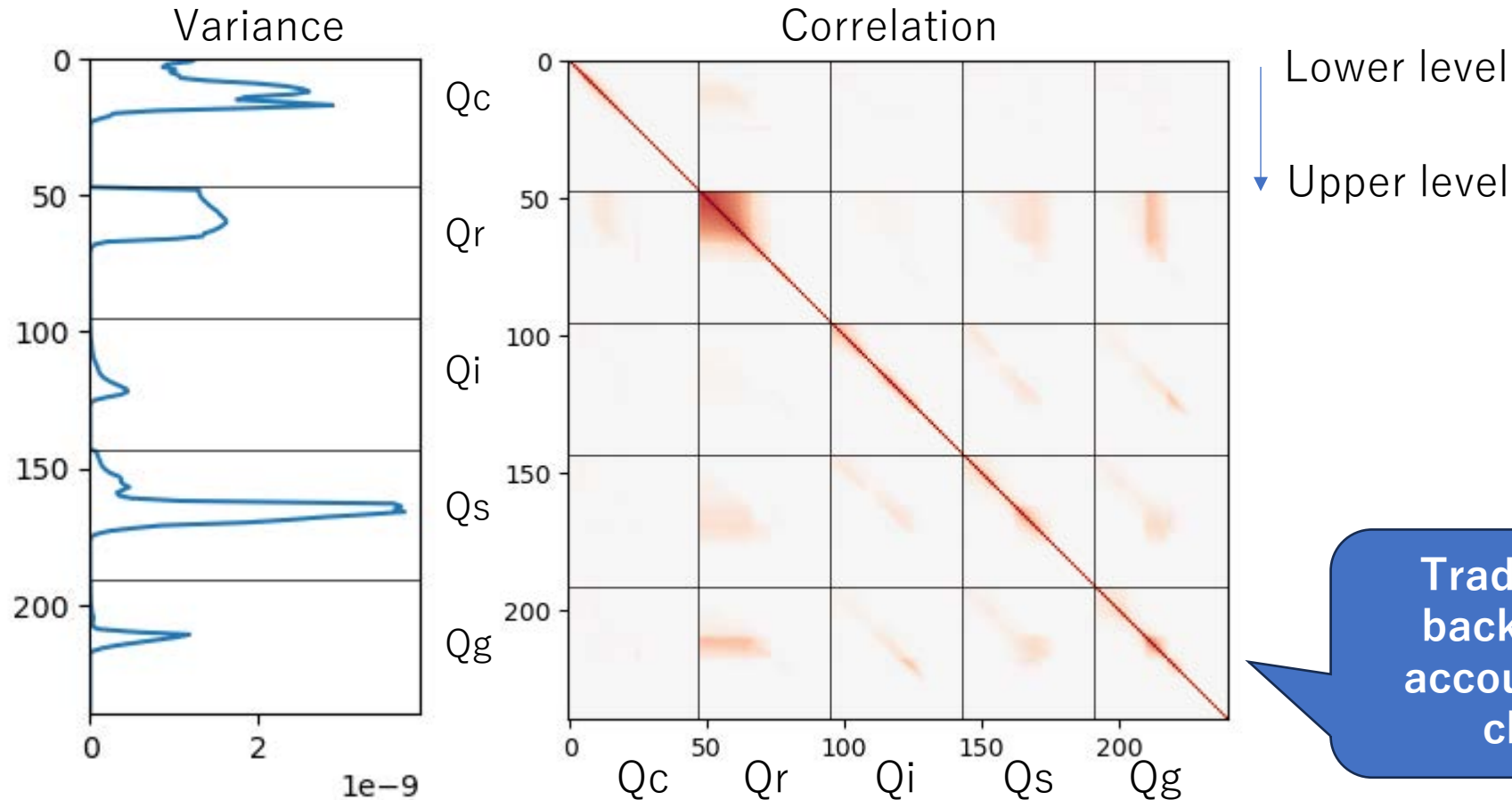
$$\delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_v}{J} \right)$$

$$\delta \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho Q_r}{J} \right)$$

at 10-level

Climatological background error covariance of hydrometeors

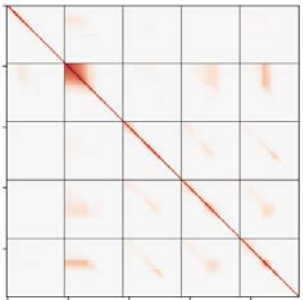
Summer/winter average using 100-member Ensemble DA (EDA) around Japan



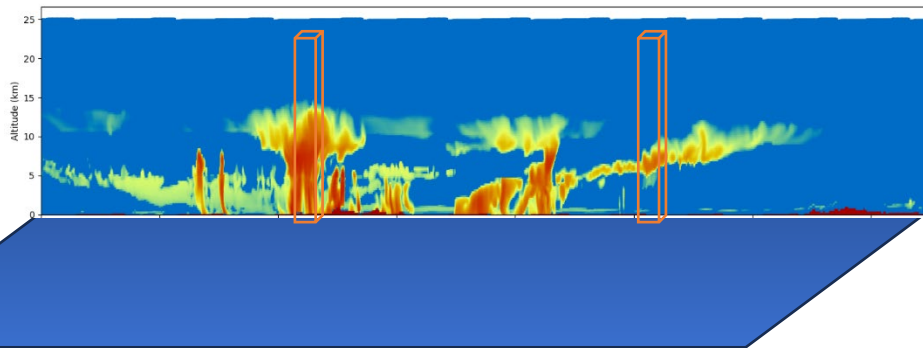
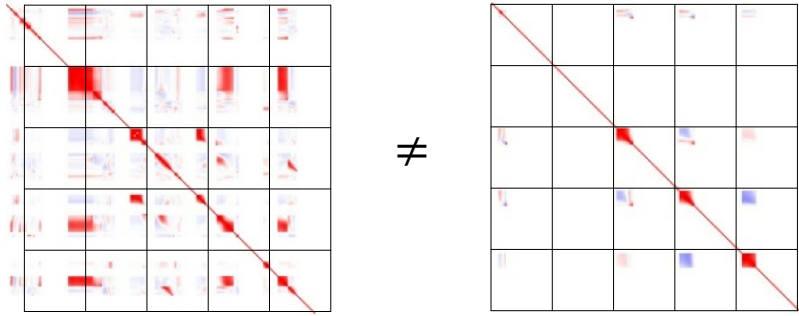
Traditional climatological background errors do not account for the diversity of cloud precipitation.

Flow-dependent background covariance

Climatological

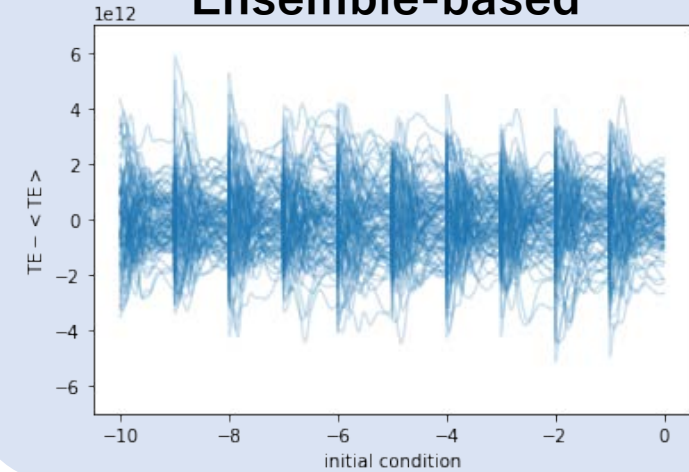


Situation dependent



In the flow-dependent method, different BGs are used depending on the location.

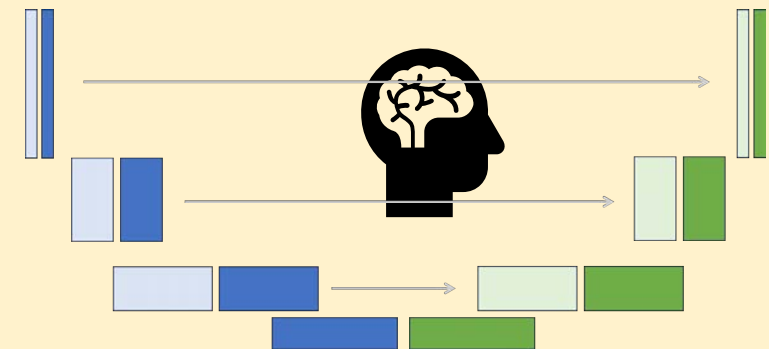
Ensemble-based



CNTL

or

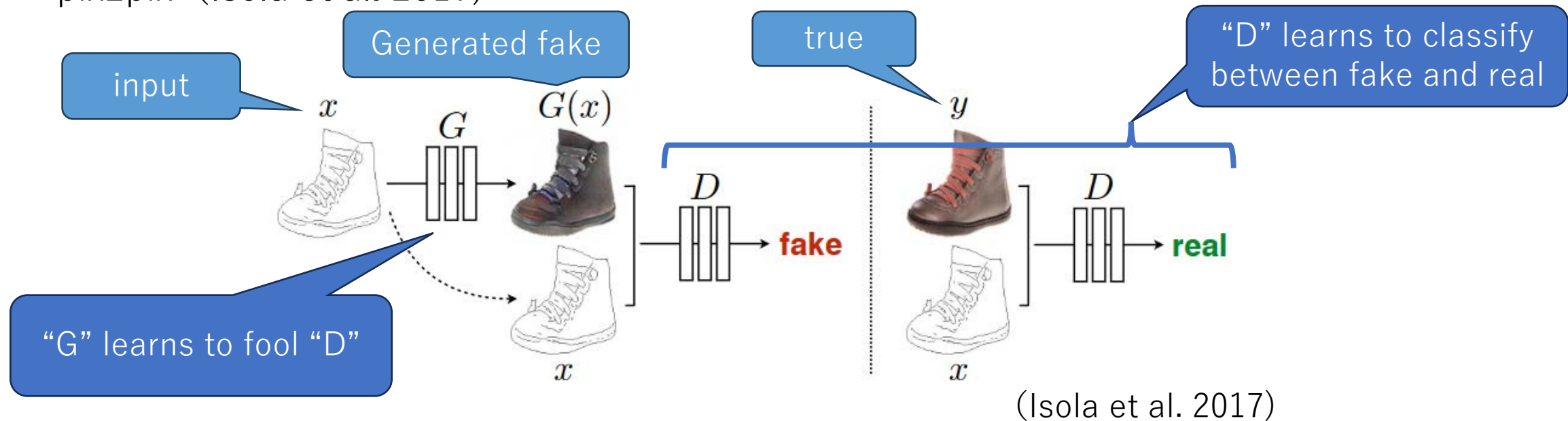
ML-based



TEST

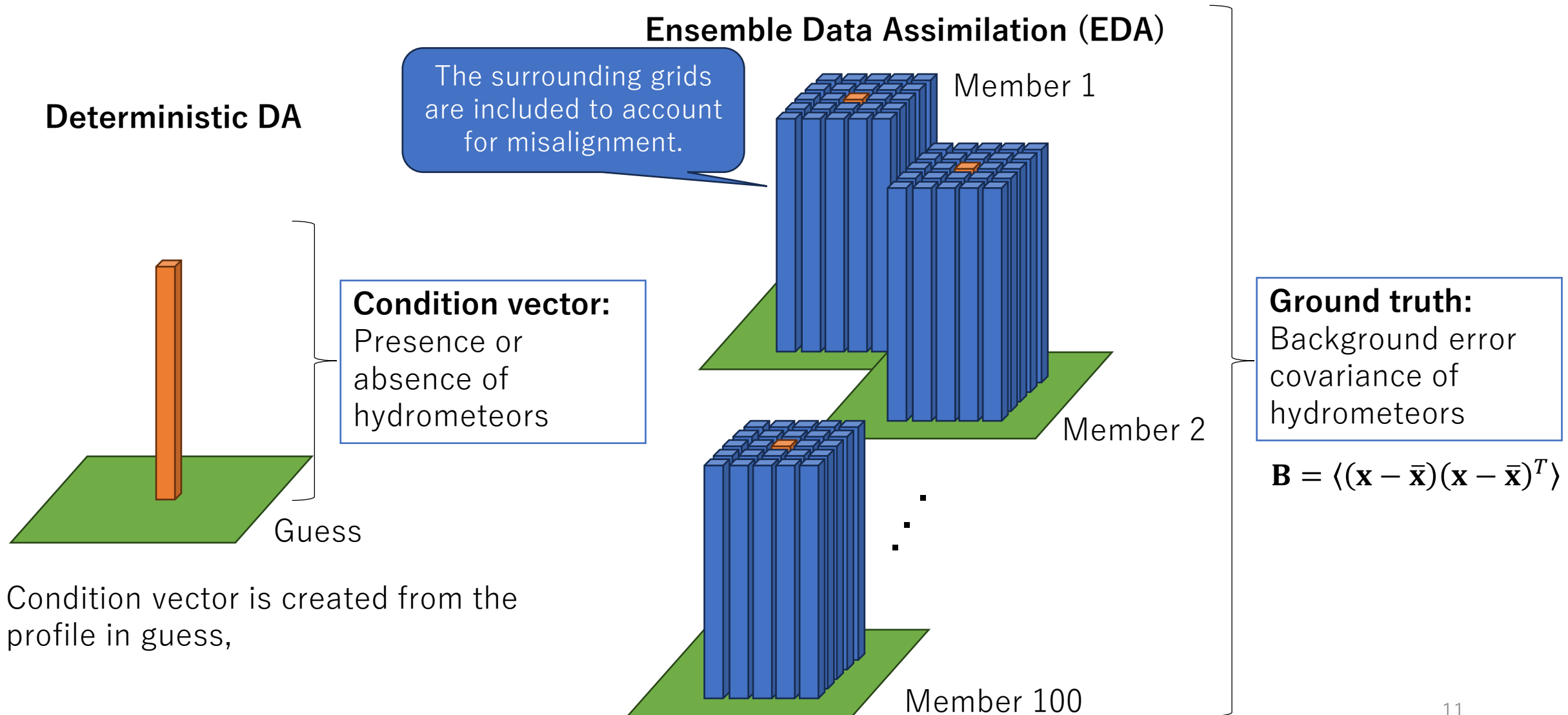
ML-based BG error estimating method

- Conditional Generative Adversarial Nets (**CGAN**; Mirza and Osindero 2014)
- pix2pix (Isola et al. 2017)



- ✓ CGAN trains the Generator (G) and Discriminator (D) by giving them additional **condition information**.
- ✓ CGAN can **learn to accept** only the correct combination of real data and labels and **learn to reject** all other data. CGAN generates images according to specified conditions.

Making of a tuple for training data



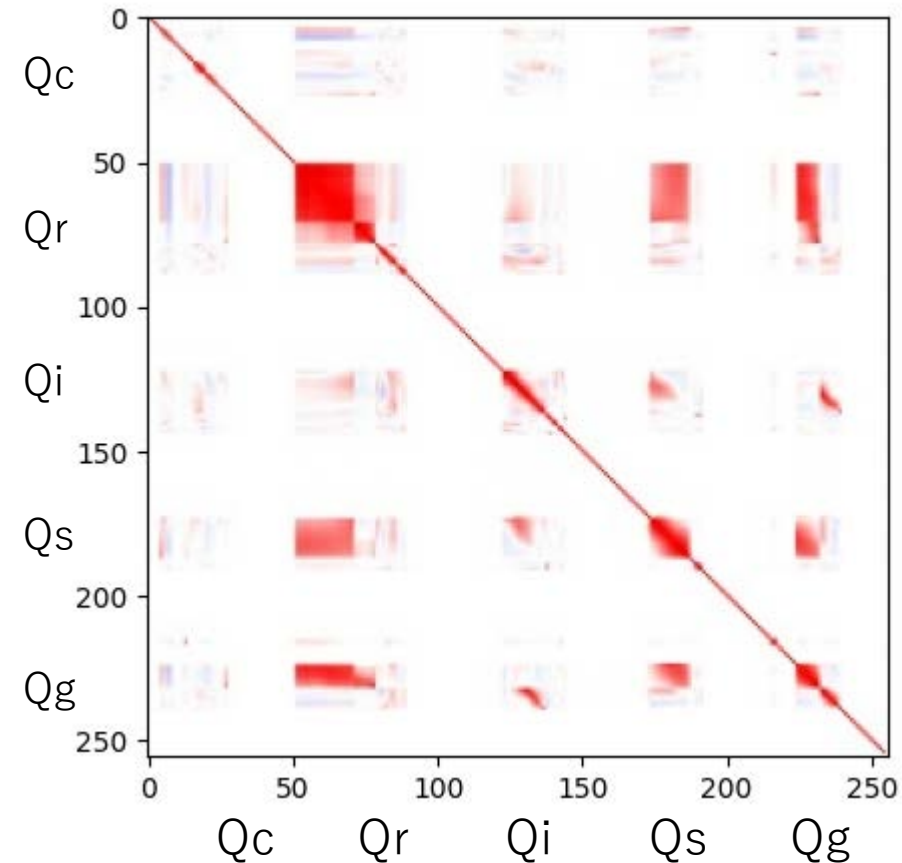
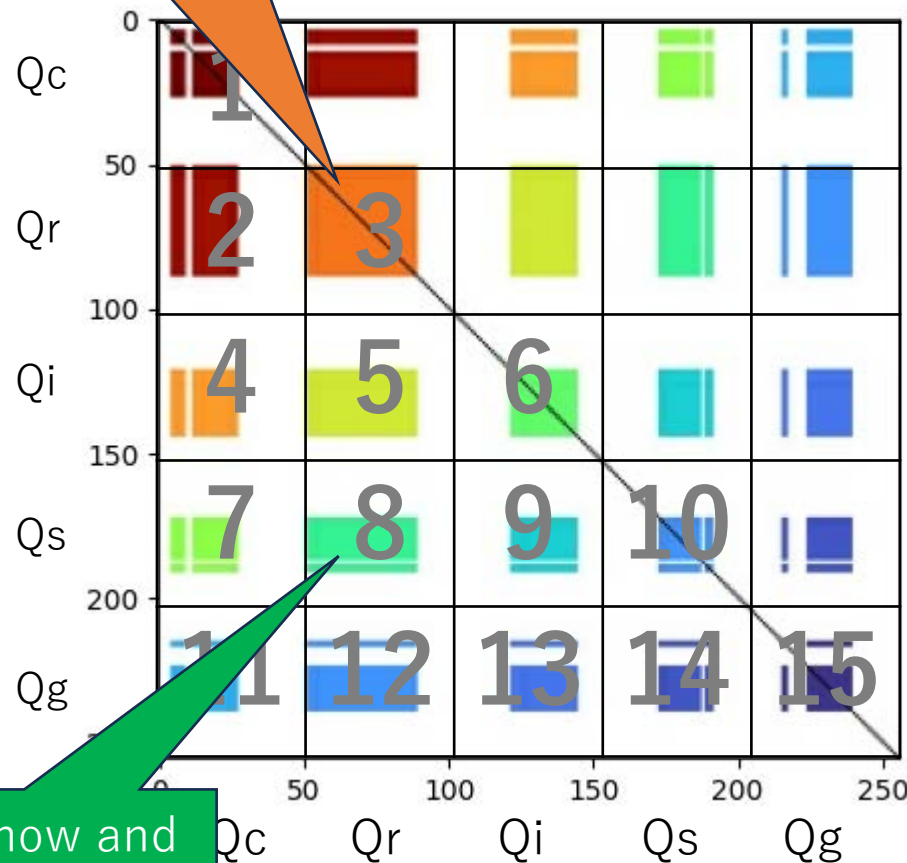
Conditional image and ground truth image

3: Rain was present

Background error correlation

Conditional image

Ground truth

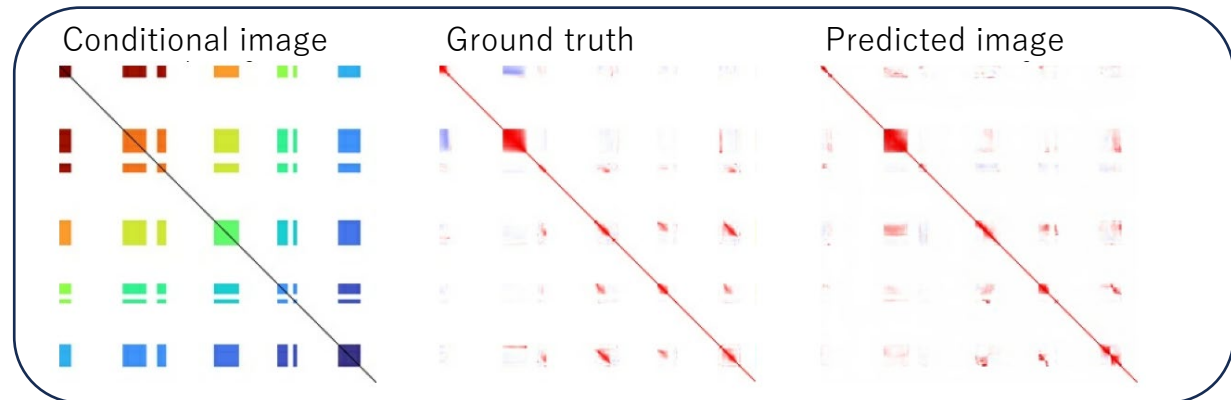
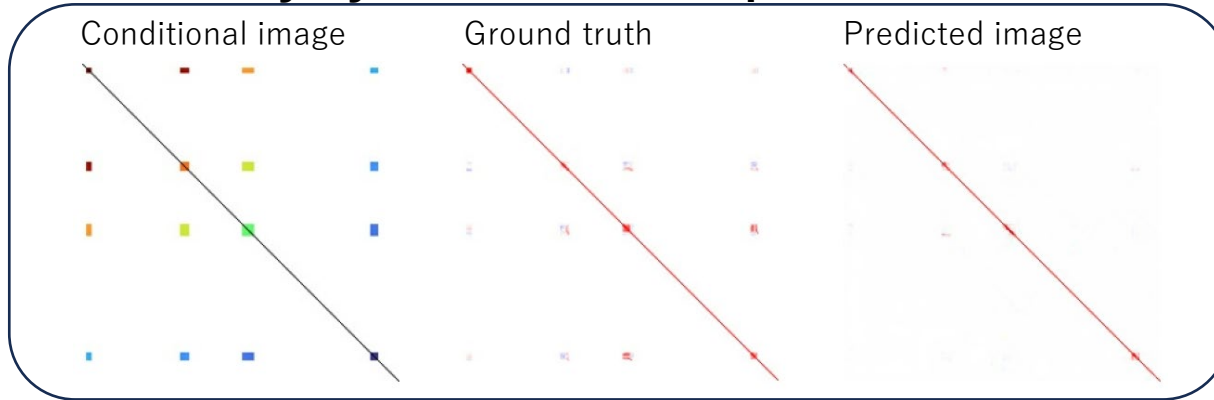


8: Both snow and rain were present

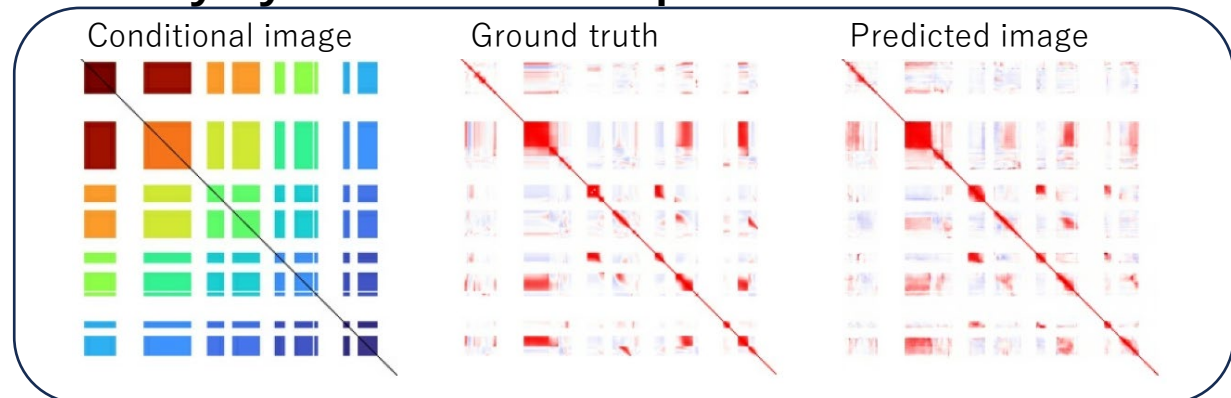
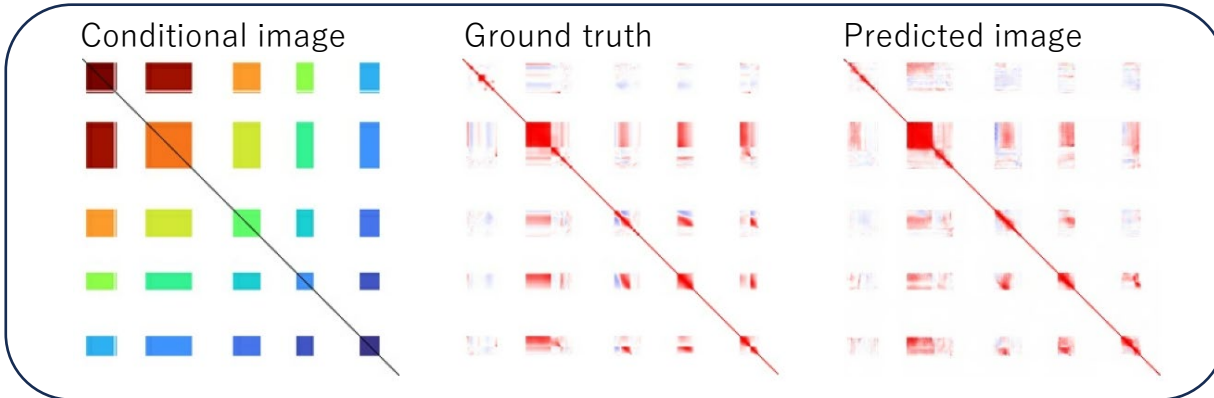
Learning results

In all cases, the predicted structure was generally close to the ground truth.

Not many hydrometeors are present.



Many hydrometeors are present.

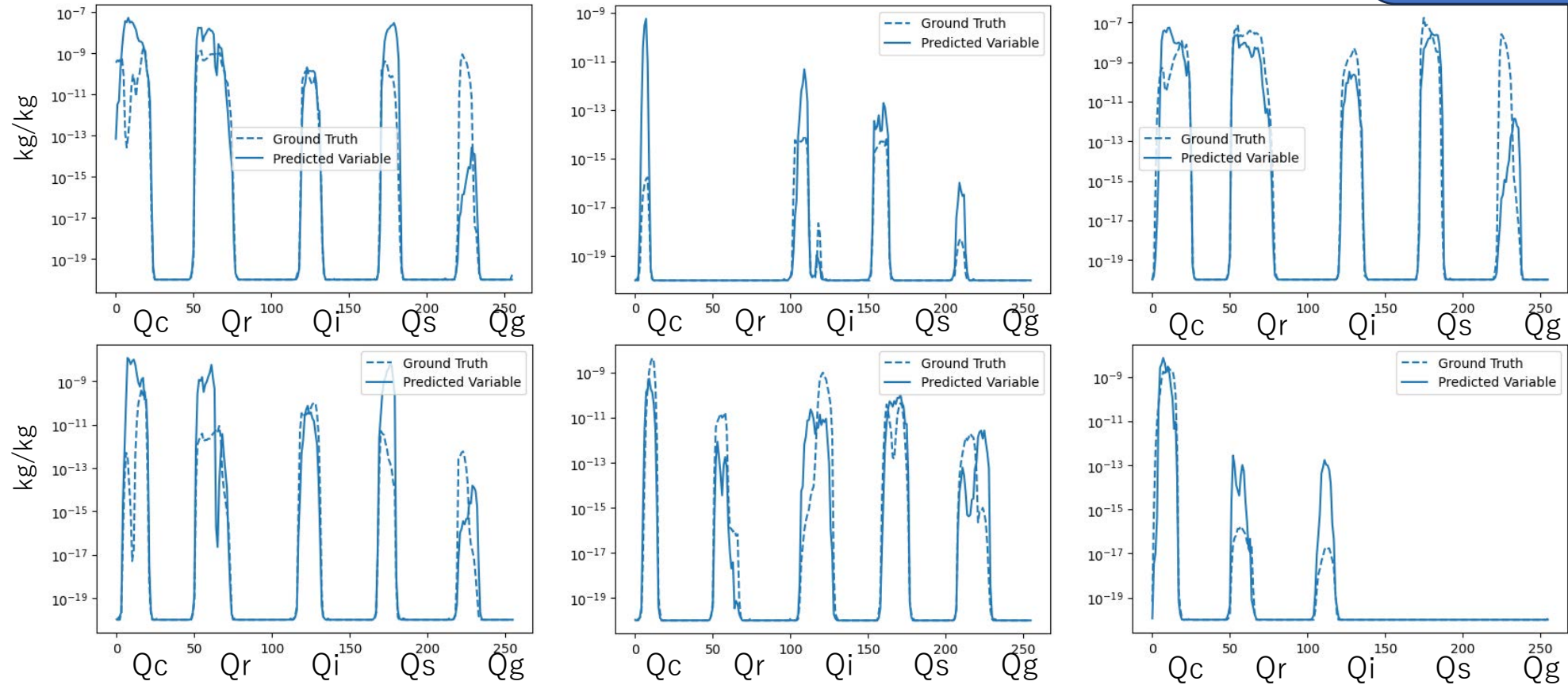


These results can be generated instantly from saved Checkpoints.

Test of learning result for variance

The structure of variance was generated. But magnitudes are different.

Variances are generated by CGAN using the same way of error correlation



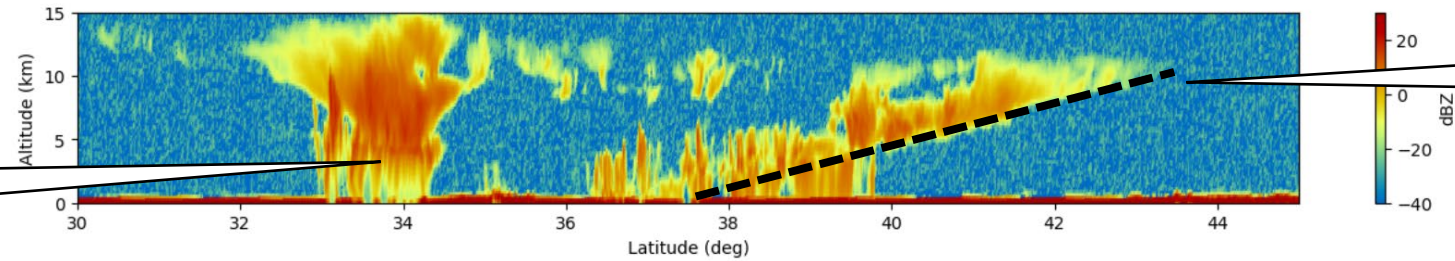
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Re-scaling to match the climatological BG error variance

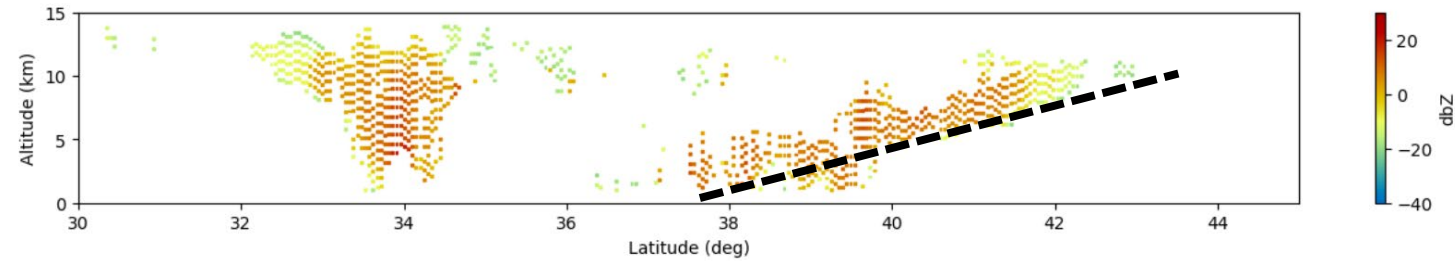
Observed reflectivity and the first guess

Observation

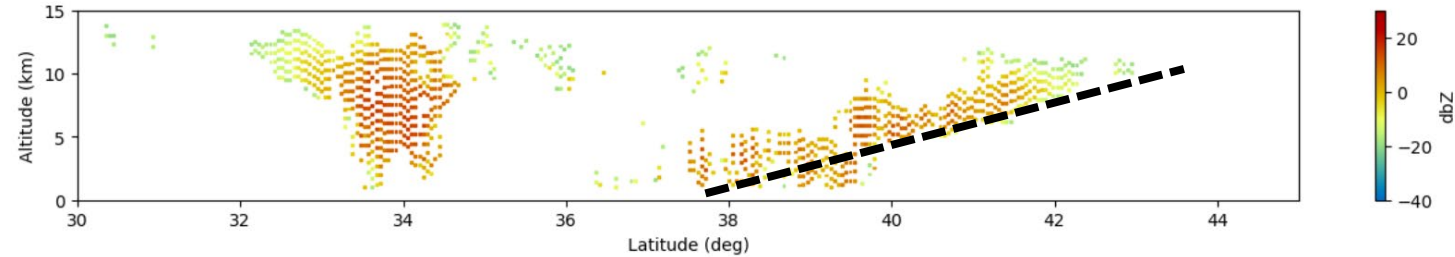
Deep convection



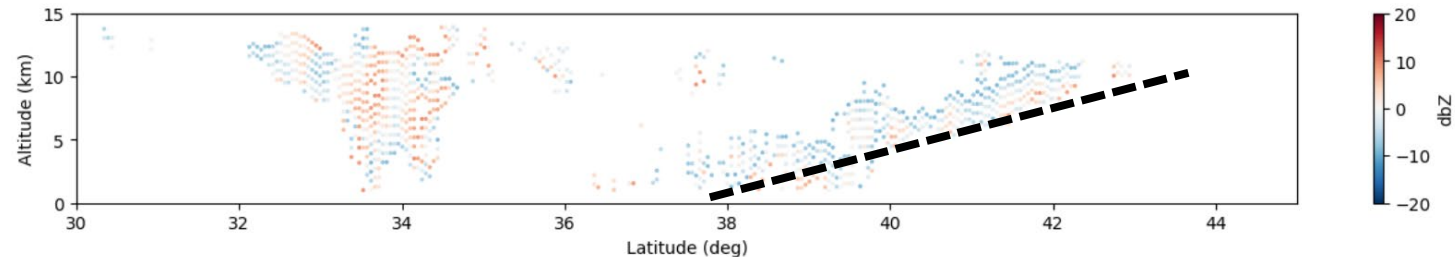
**Thinned observation
after QC**



**First-guess at
observation points**



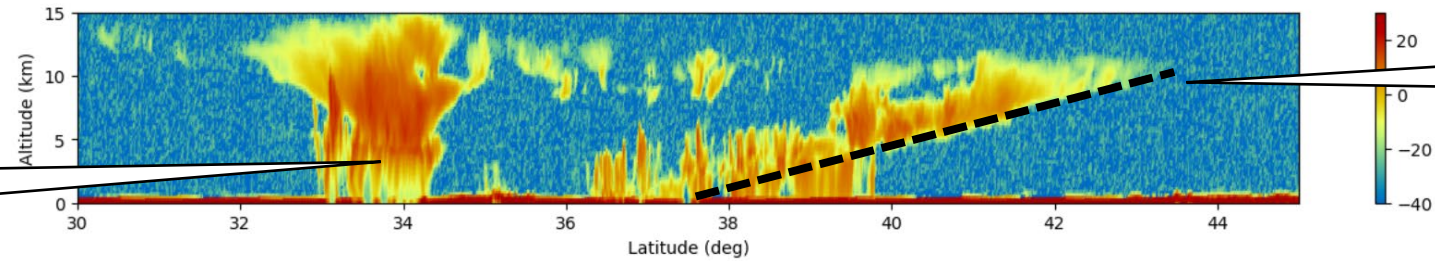
**Observation minus
the first-guess**



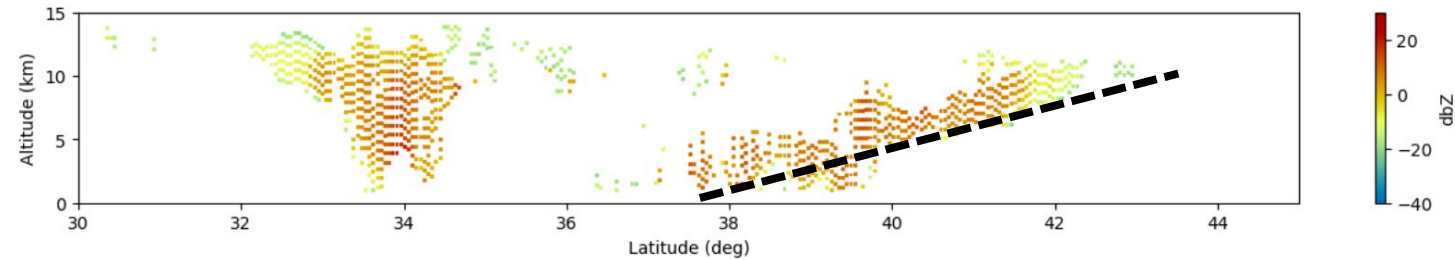
Observed reflectivity and the first guess

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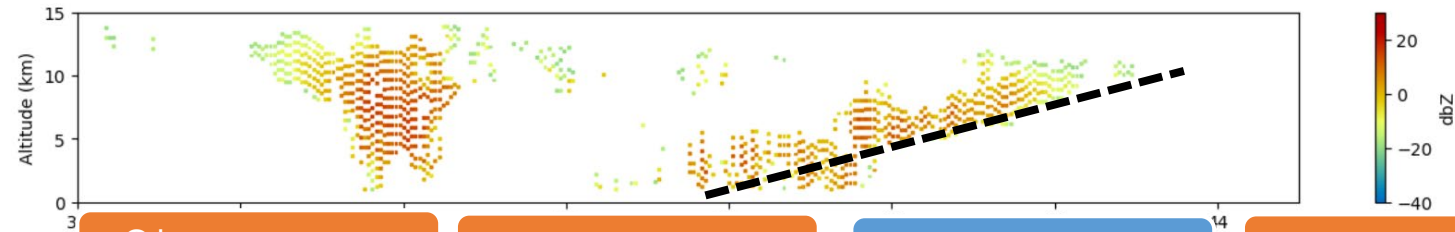
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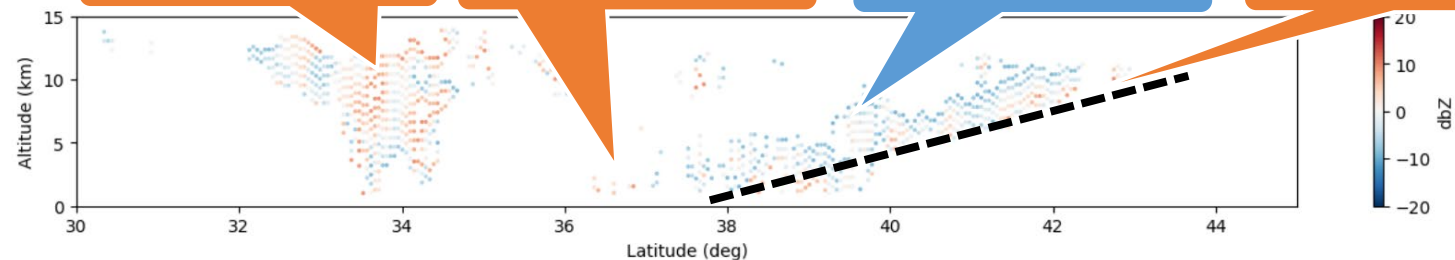
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Obs > guess

Guess > obs

Obs > guess

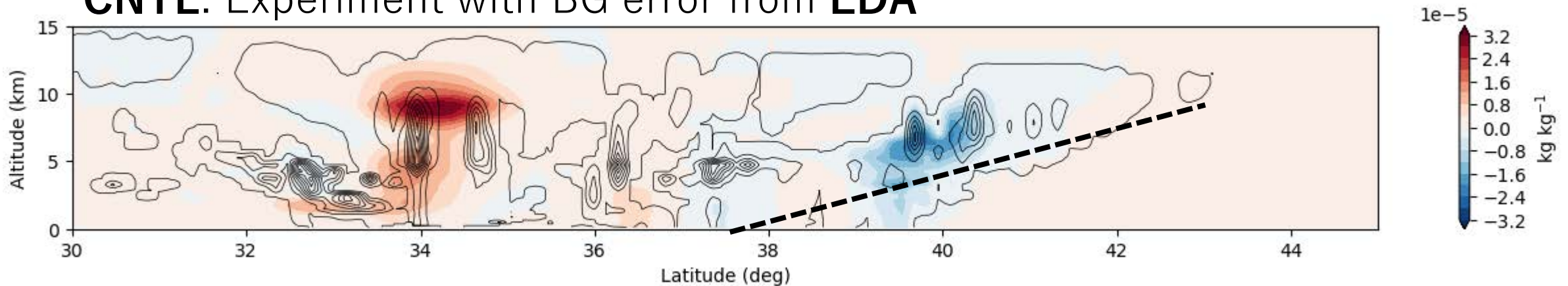
Observation minus
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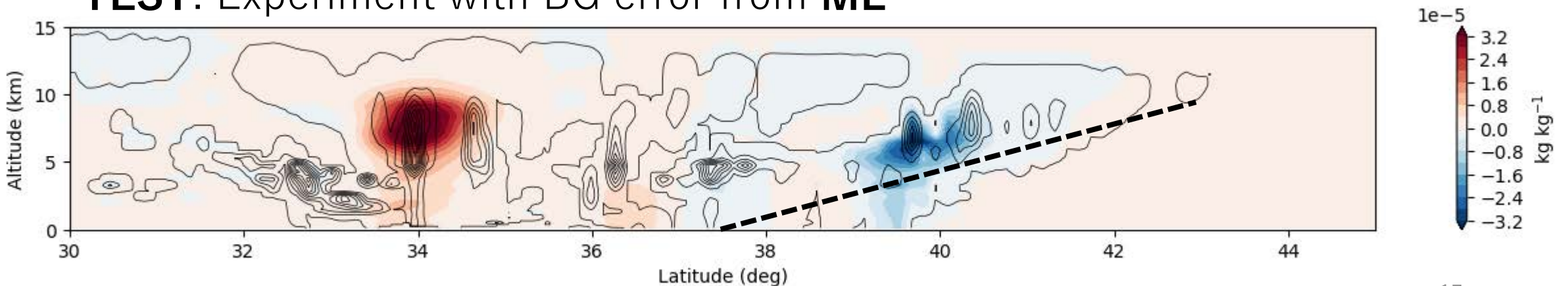
Analysis increments

$$\delta Q = \delta Q_c + \delta Q_r + \delta Q_i + \delta Q_s + \delta Q_g$$

CNTL: Experiment with BG error from **EDA**

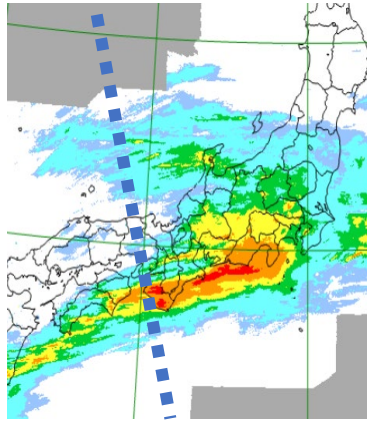


TEST: Experiment with BG error from **ML**

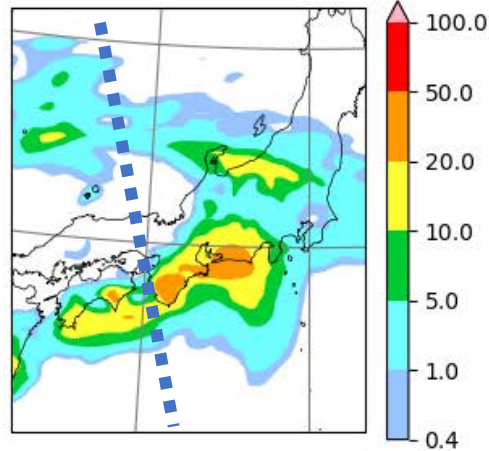


Impact on precipitation in assimilation window

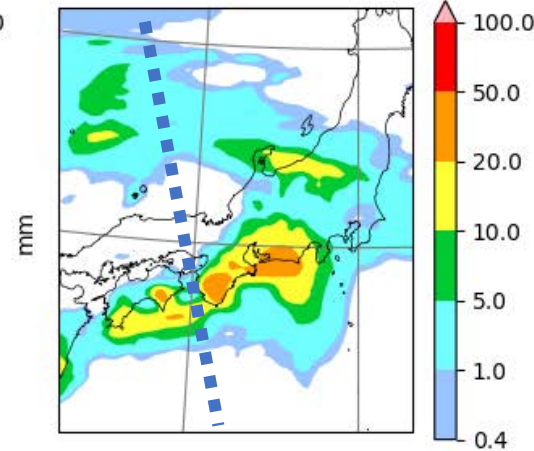
Observation



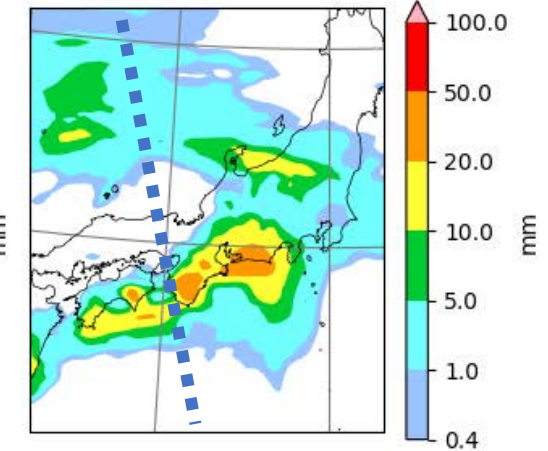
First guess



CNTL: Analysis with EDA BG error

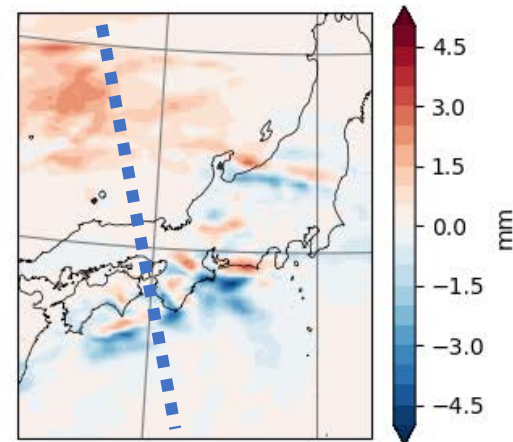


TEST: Analysis with ML BG error

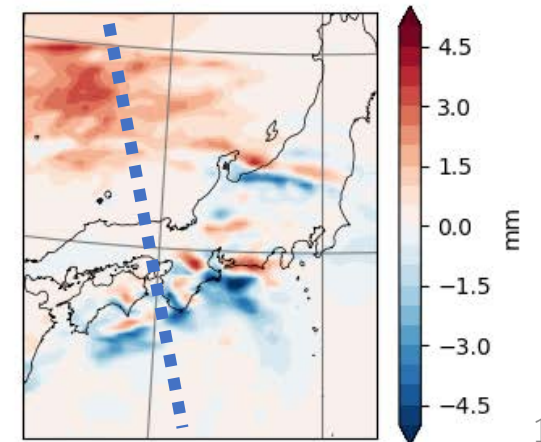


- ✓ CPR assimilation increased precipitation.
- ✓ ML's BG error performance is similar to EDA's BG error

CNTL: Increment



TEST: Increment



Conclusion

- We tried to generate a background error correlation matrix using CGAN.
 - As a result of giving the presence or absence of hydrometeors as a condition vector, it was found that a covariance matrix close to the ground truth could be generated.
 - These results suggest obtaining flow-dependent hydrometeors background errors using ML without preparing ensemble predictions is possible.
- The analysis using ML's BG error was able to achieve precipitation simulations similar to the analysis using EDA's BG error.
- However, there are still issues that need to be resolved for practical application.
 - The generated variance has a large error.

Future plans

- Utilize EarthCARE's reflectivity and Doppler velocity
- The background error correlation between vertical velocity, temperature, and hydrometeors is estimated using ML.
- Replace physics-based model with ML-model.