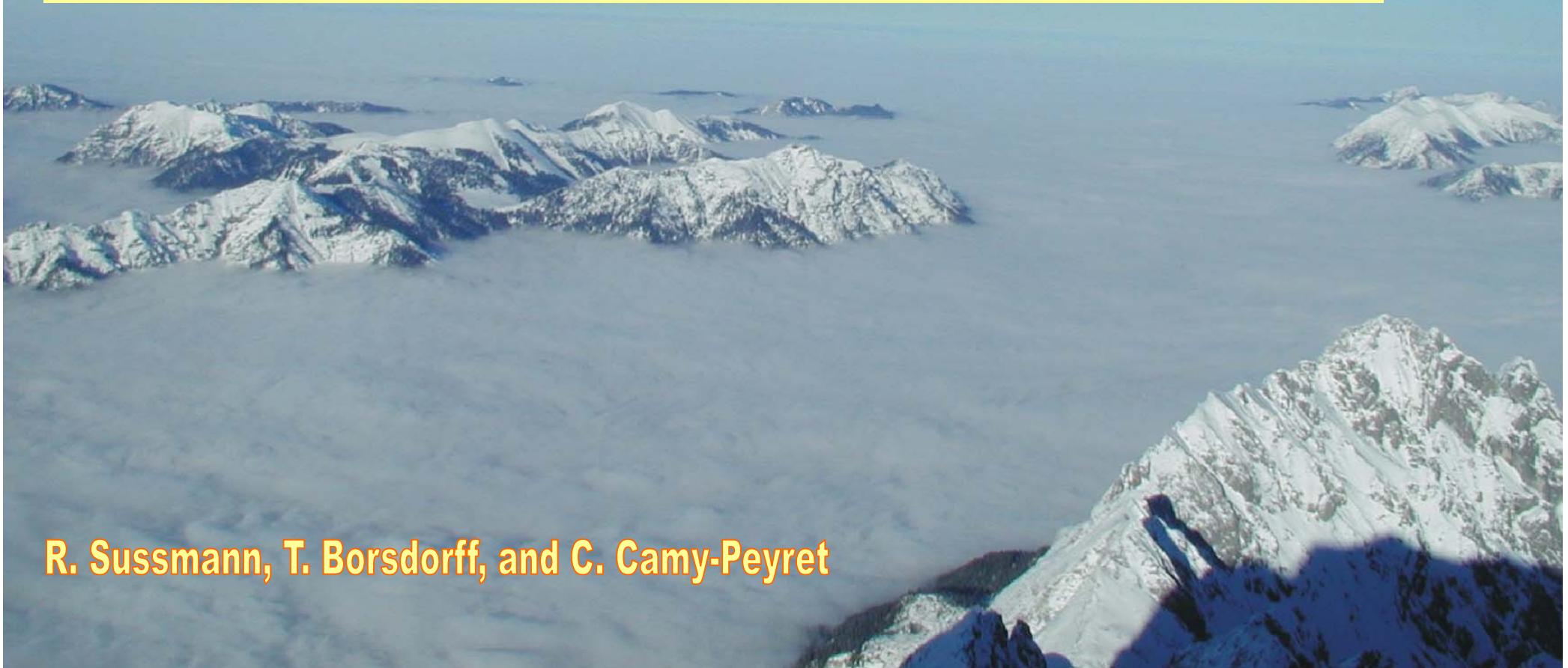


# Water vapor partial columns retrieval from Zugspitze plus Garmisch FTIR measurements

## Outline

- Results from AIRS validation campaign 2002
- Combination of Zugspitze (mountain) and Garmisch (ground site) FTIR
- Water vapor columns variability and profile covariance above Zugspitze/Garmisch
- Columns/partial columns retrieval characteristics and validation



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Triple NDACC Primary Station:  
FTIR, Aerosol, UV.

Permanent Ground-Truthing Facility  
Zugspitze/Garmisch according to the WMO  
requirements.

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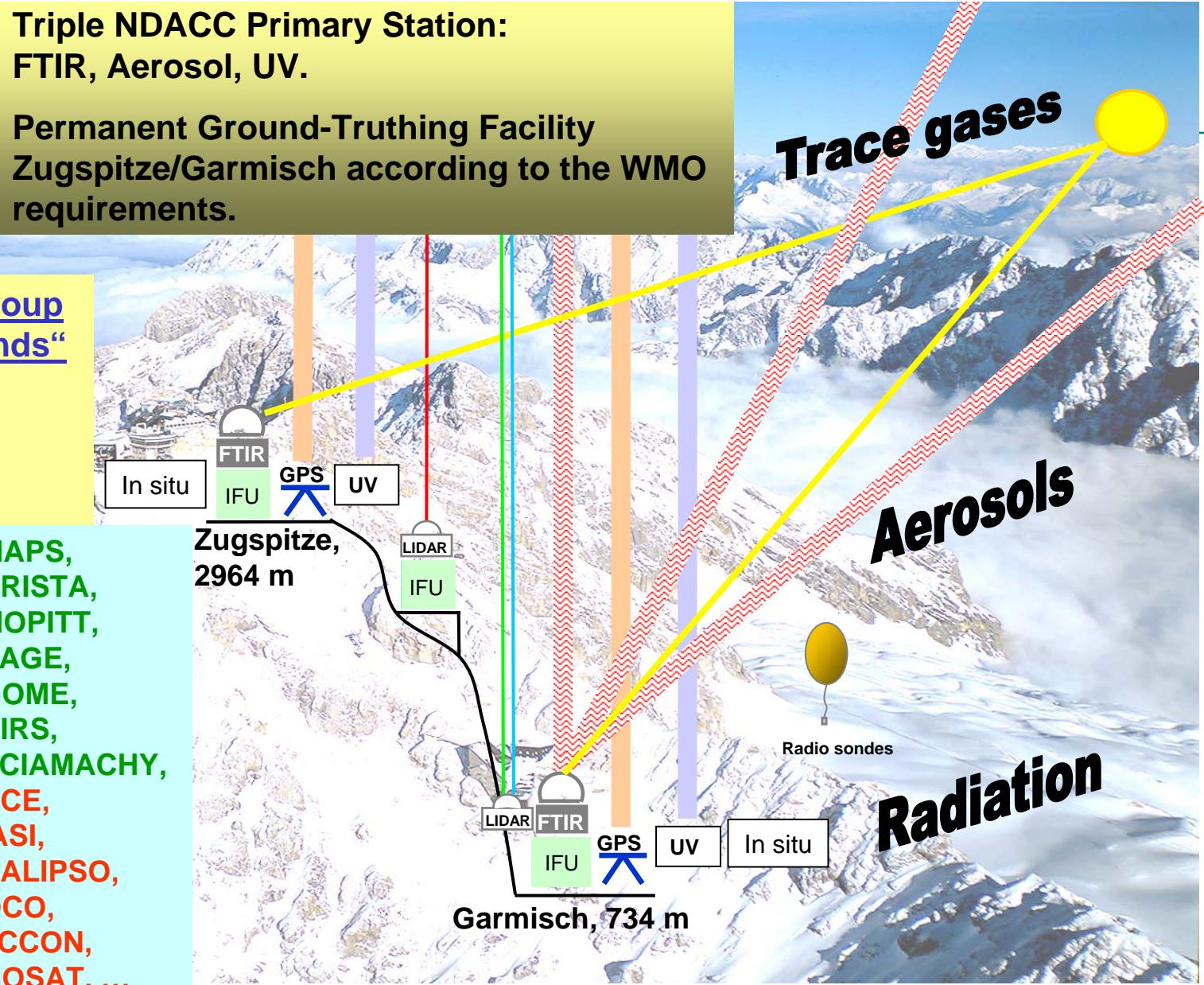
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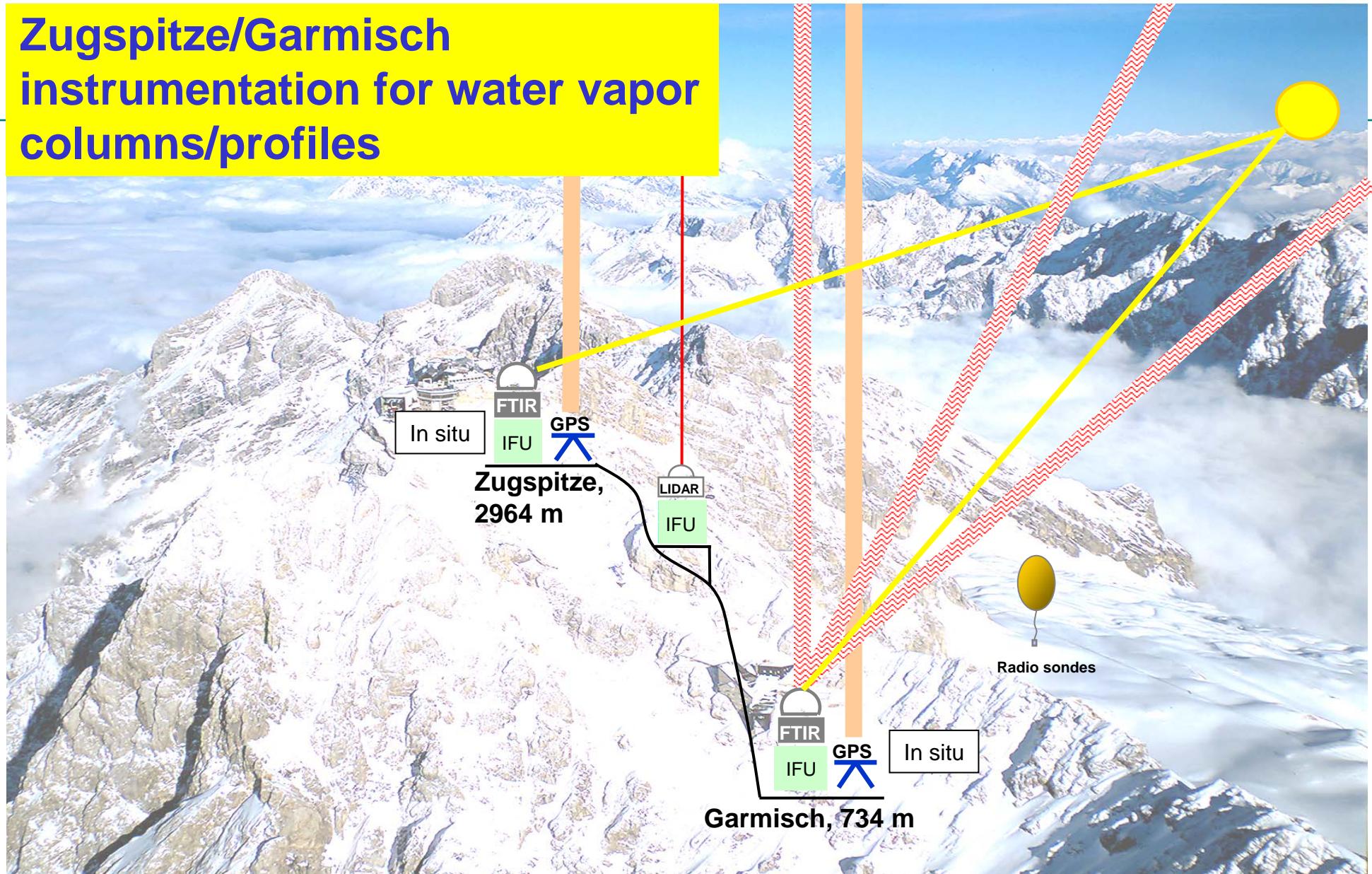
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# Zugspitze/Garmisch instrumentation for water vapor columns/profiles



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## 2002 AIRS validation campaign at Zugspitze/Garmisch: Schedule

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### Campaign duration:

3 Months (19 Aug 2002 - 17 Nov 2002)

### Validation measurements:

7 days a week,

2-hours-period around each overpass delivered,  
for 2 EOS-Aqua overpasses per day

**Data delivery: within 12 h  
for both day- and night-overpasses**

- Zugspitze FTIR: clear sky operation, typically, 20-min-integration intervals
- Radio Sondes (Garmisch): 4 sondes a day (two per overpass)
- GPS Garmisch+ Zugspitze, permanent operation, half hourly mean values
- In-Situ Met Data (Garmisch + Zugspitze): 1-min-values
- Cloud/weather information (Zugspitze: hourly; Garmisch: 1 fish eye image per overpass)

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## 2002 AIRS validation campaign at Zugspitze/Garmisch: Radio Sounding

Sonde 1 launched **1h before** overpass  
Sonde 2 launched **5 min before** overpass

Vaisala RS 80-30 **G** sondes  
*TOTEX-800-g balloons*  
**2 x Digidata III (Marvin 21, SPS220G)**



### TOBIN-Inter-/Extrapolation between both soundings:

$$q_{\text{TOBIN}}(z, t_{\text{op}}) = q_{\text{sonde}}(z, t_0) + (dq(z)/dt) (t_{\text{op}} - t_0)$$

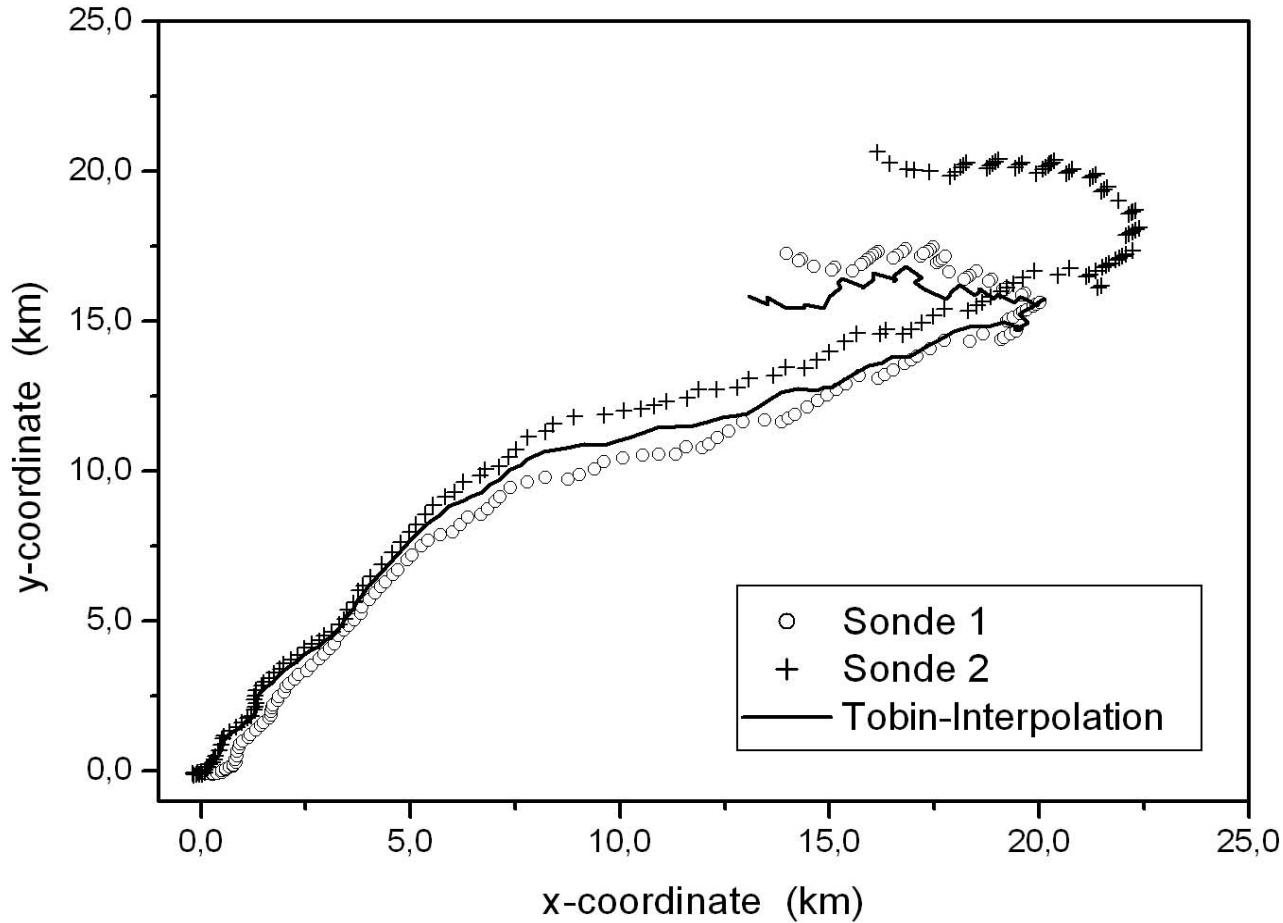
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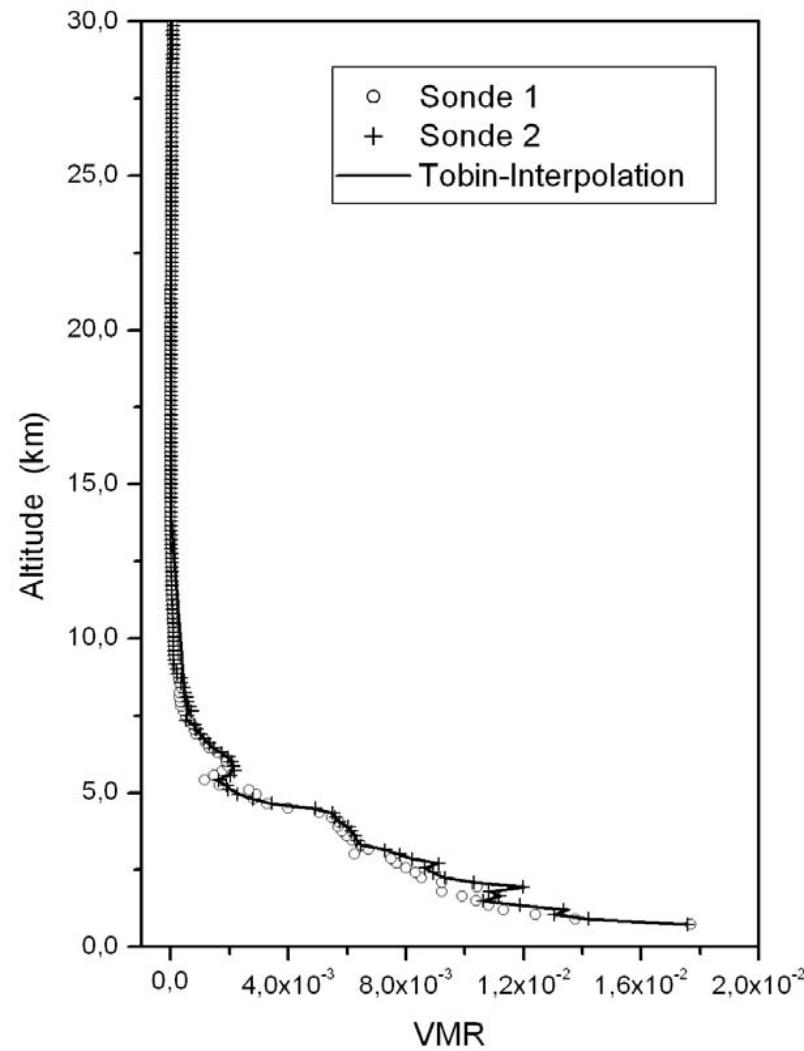
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delivered within  
12 hours

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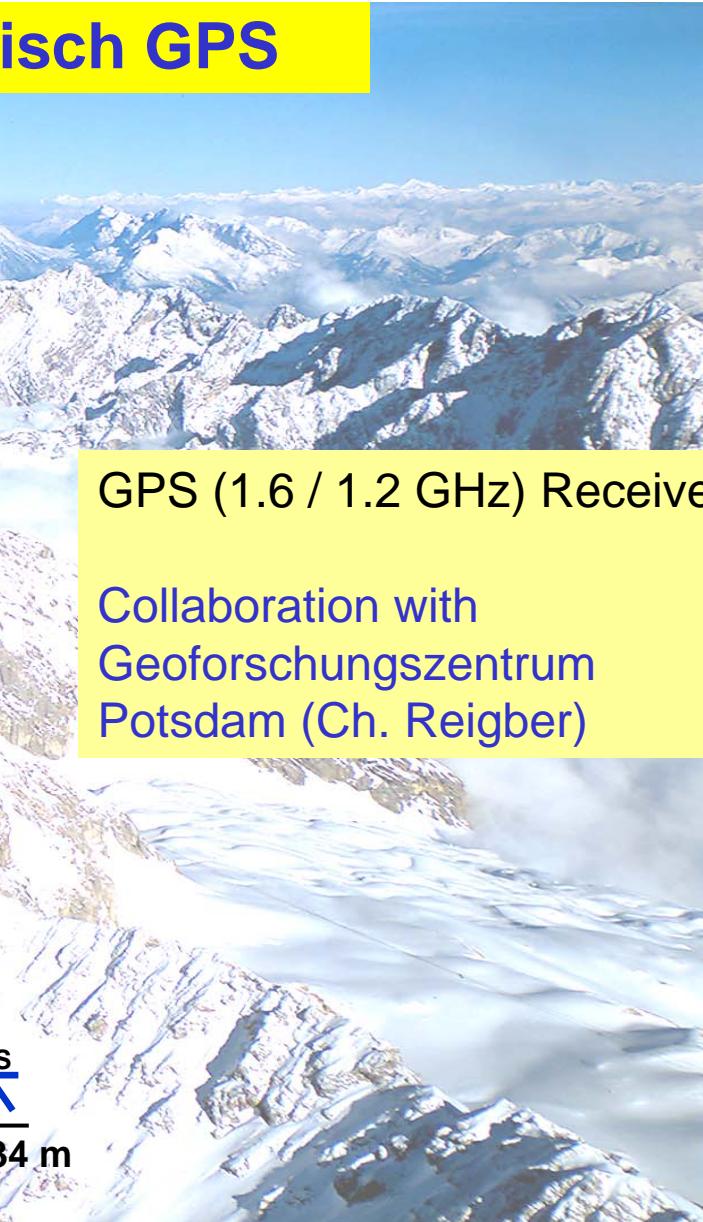
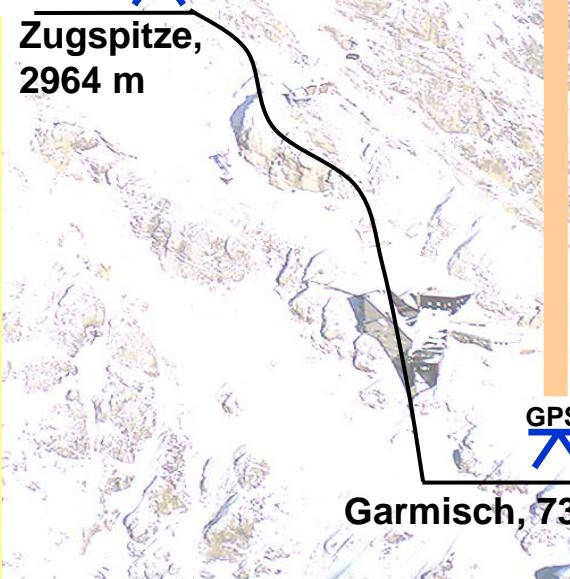
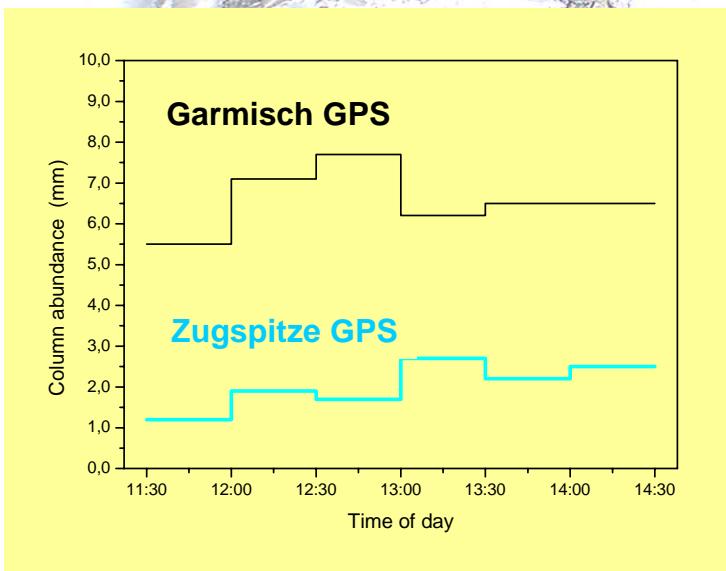
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# Water vapor columns: Zugspitze+Garmisch GPS



GPS (1.6 / 1.2 GHz) Receivers

Collaboration with  
Geoforschungszentrum  
Potsdam (Ch. Reigber)

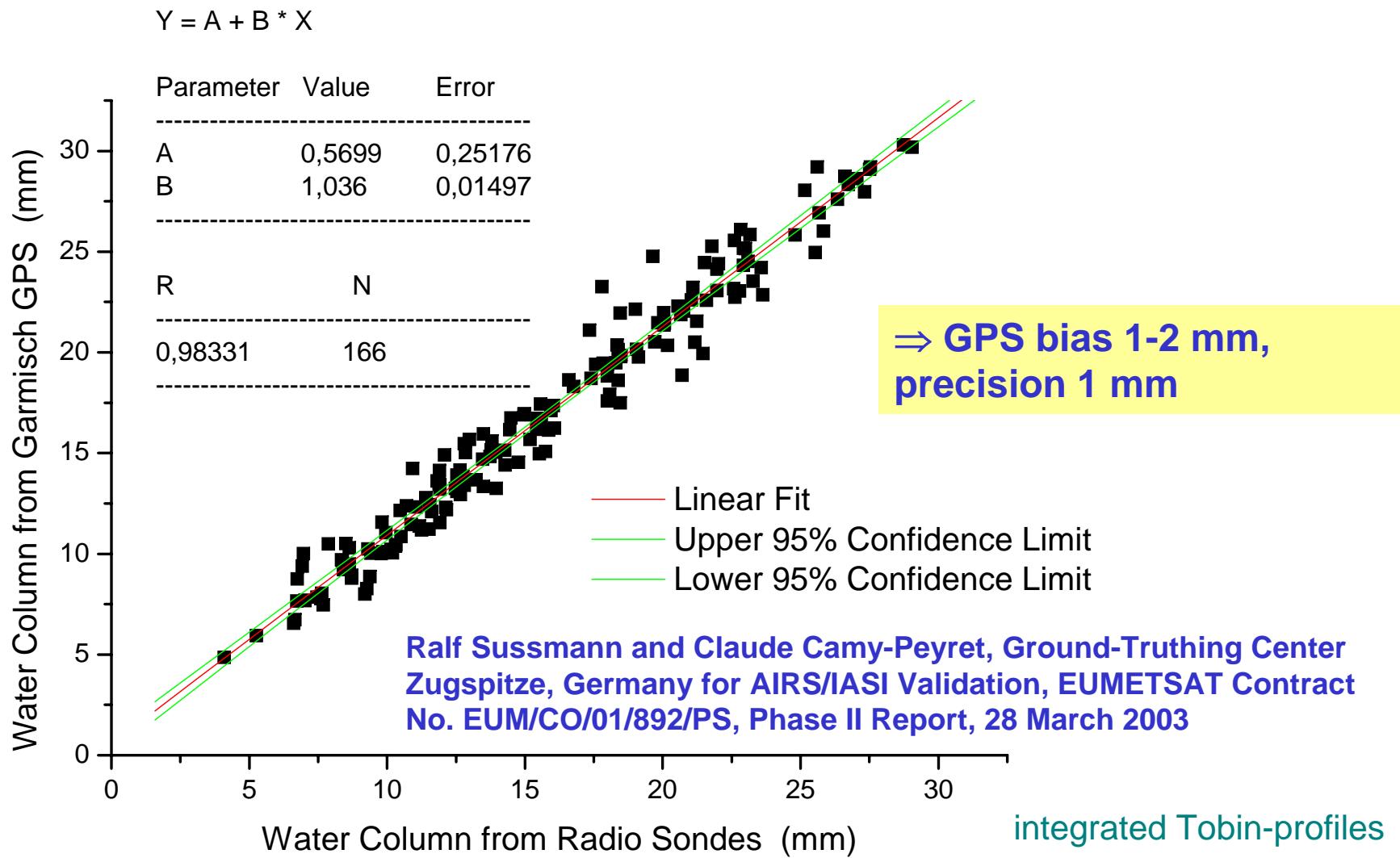


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# Water vapor columns: Validation of Garmisch GPS with radio sondes

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above  
Garmisch,  
734 m  
2-h-mean  
values

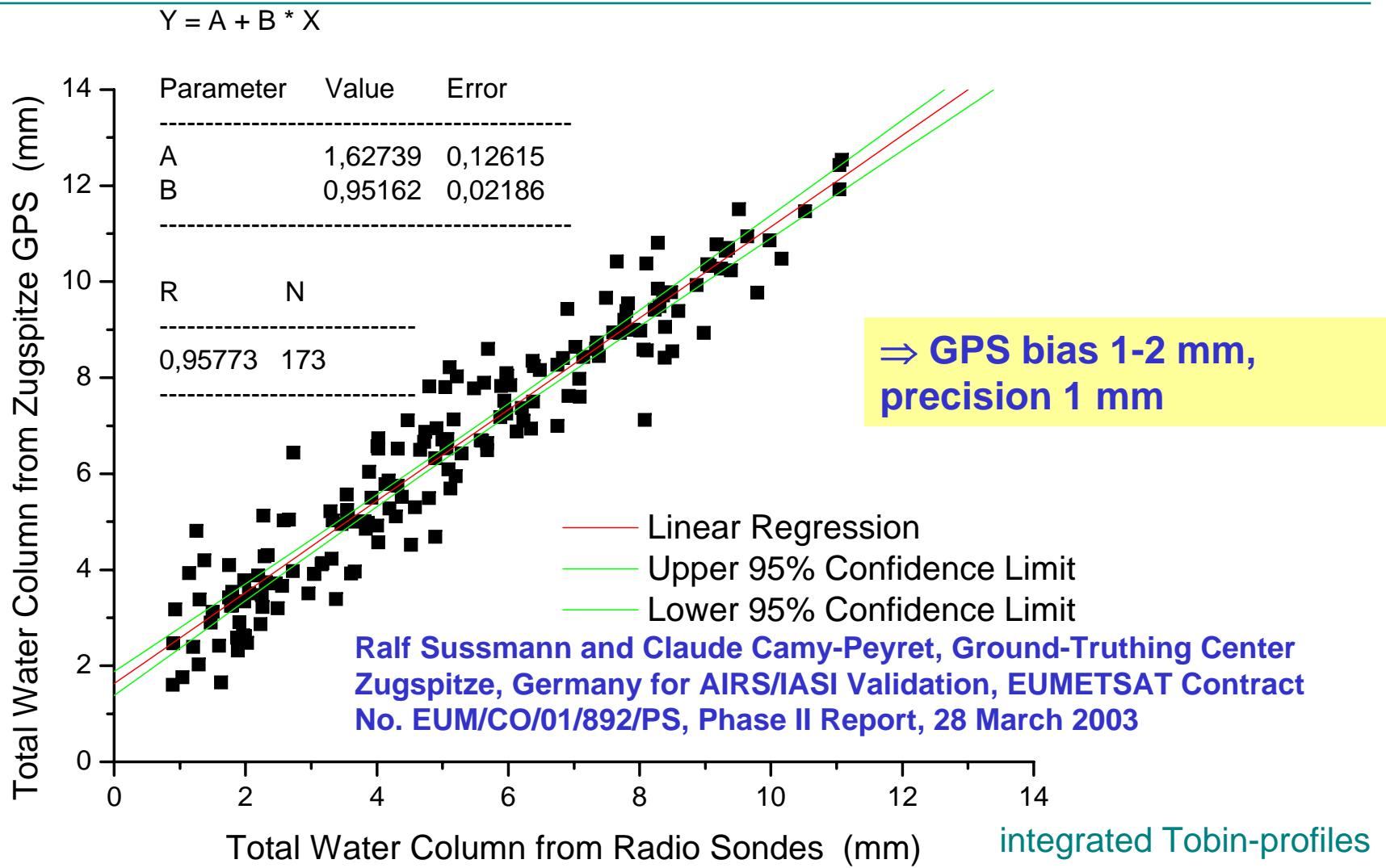


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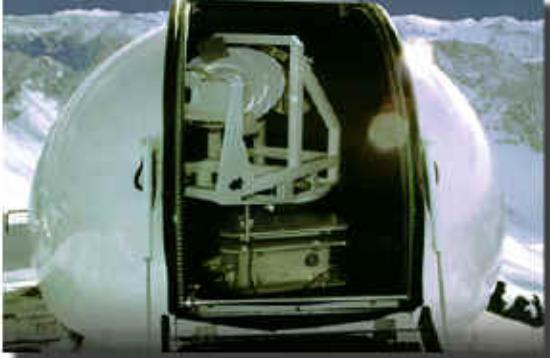
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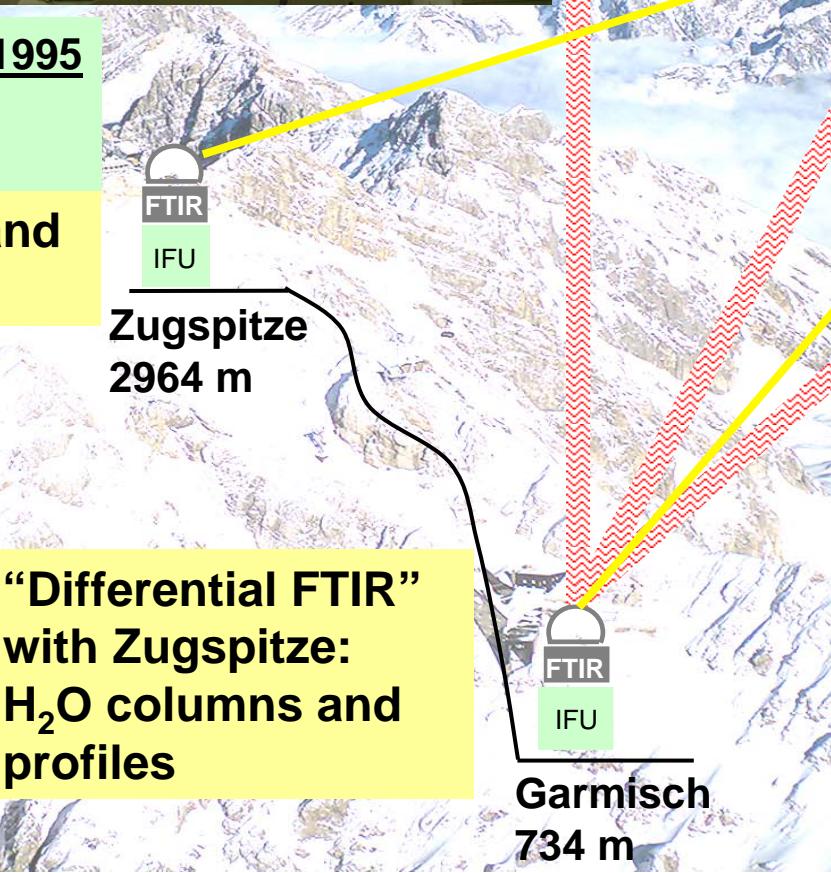


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**Zugspitze operational since 1995**  
**typ. 130 measurement**  
**days per year**



**Garmisch operational**  
**since 2004**  
**94 measurement days in**  
**2004**  
**147 measurement days in**  
**2005**

**“Differential FTIR”**  
**with Zugspitze:**  
**H<sub>2</sub>O columns and**  
**profiles**

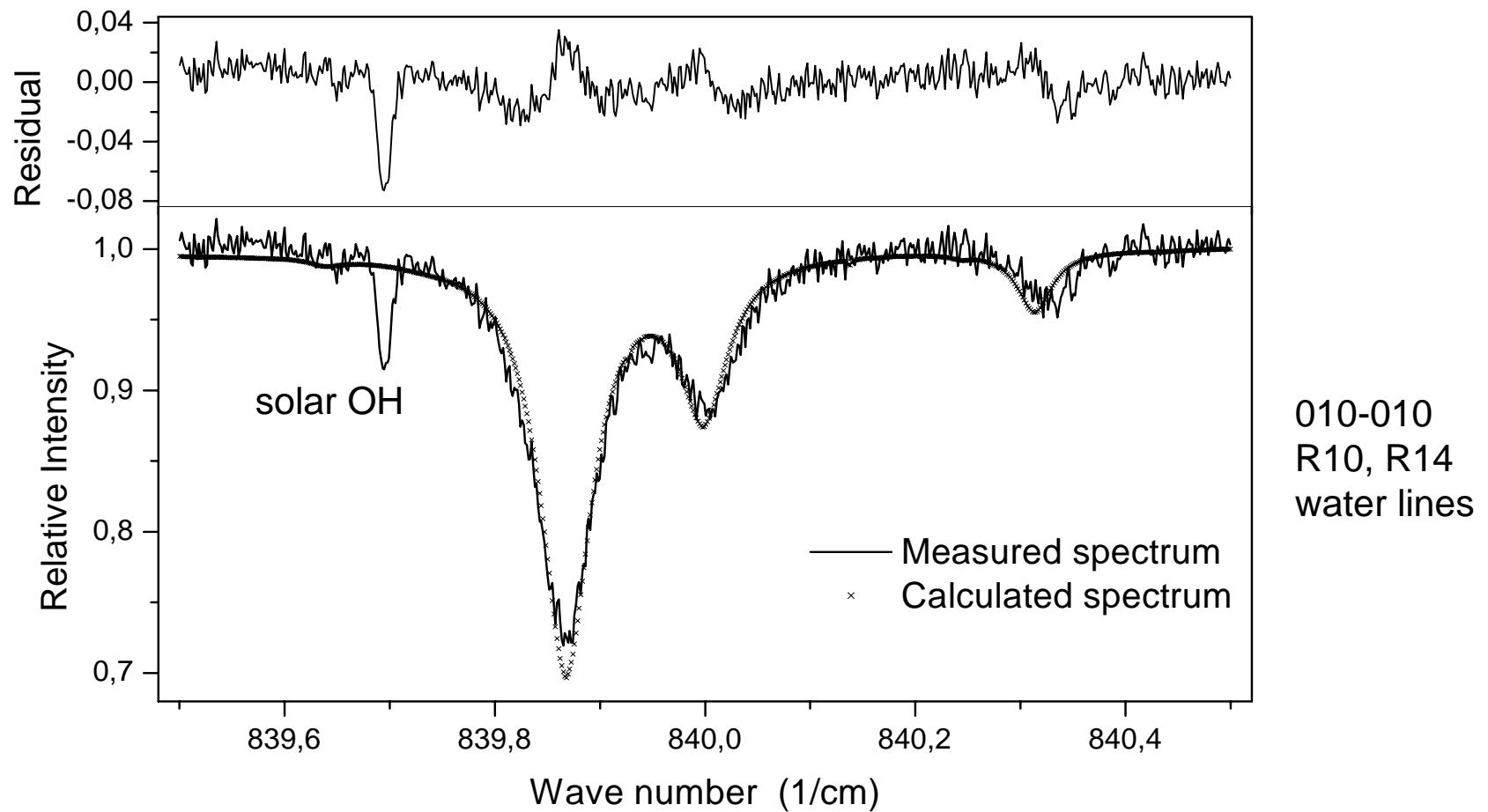


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# Zugspitze solar FTIR retrieval: Micro windows

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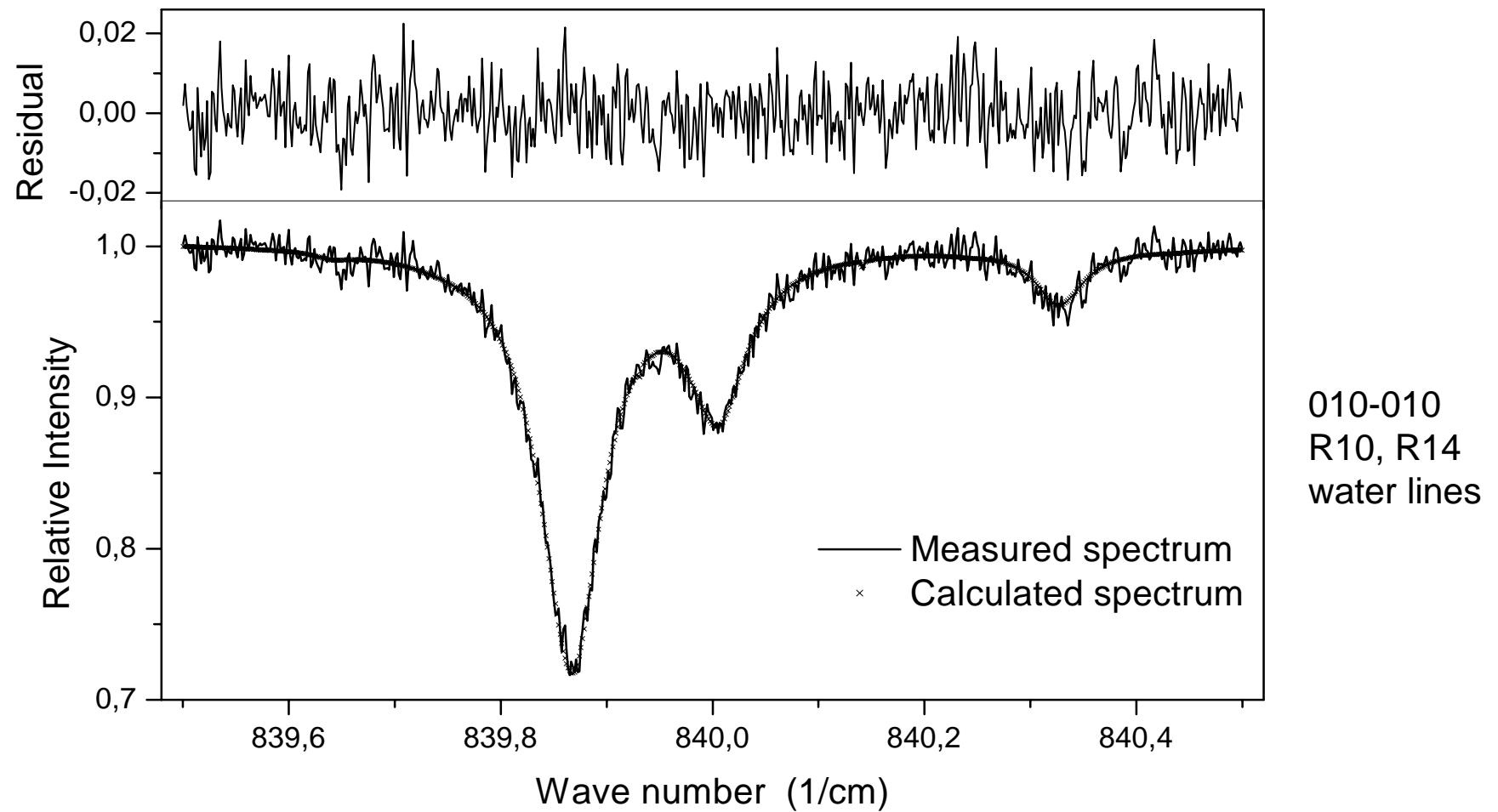


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HITRAN2000, solar OH removed

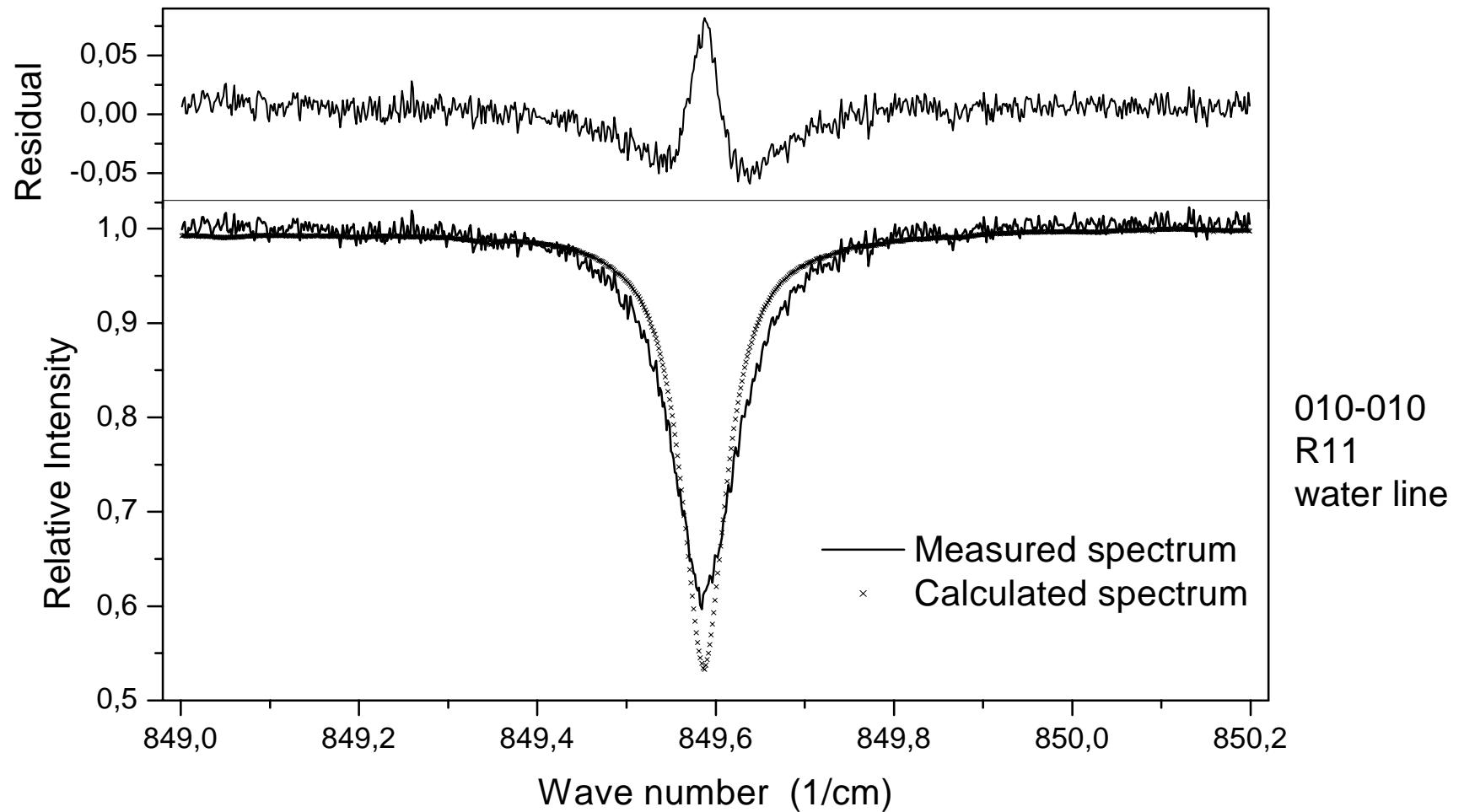


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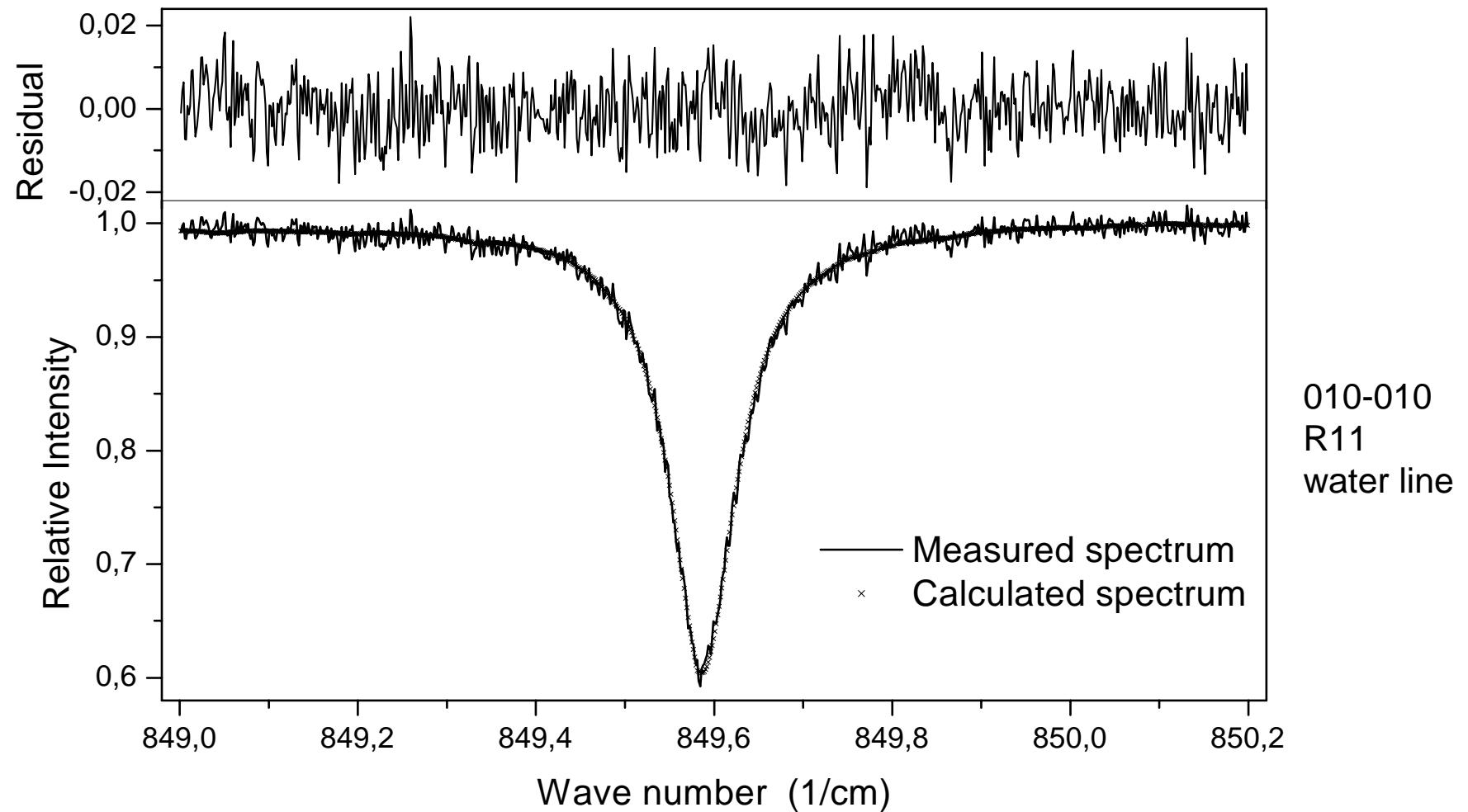


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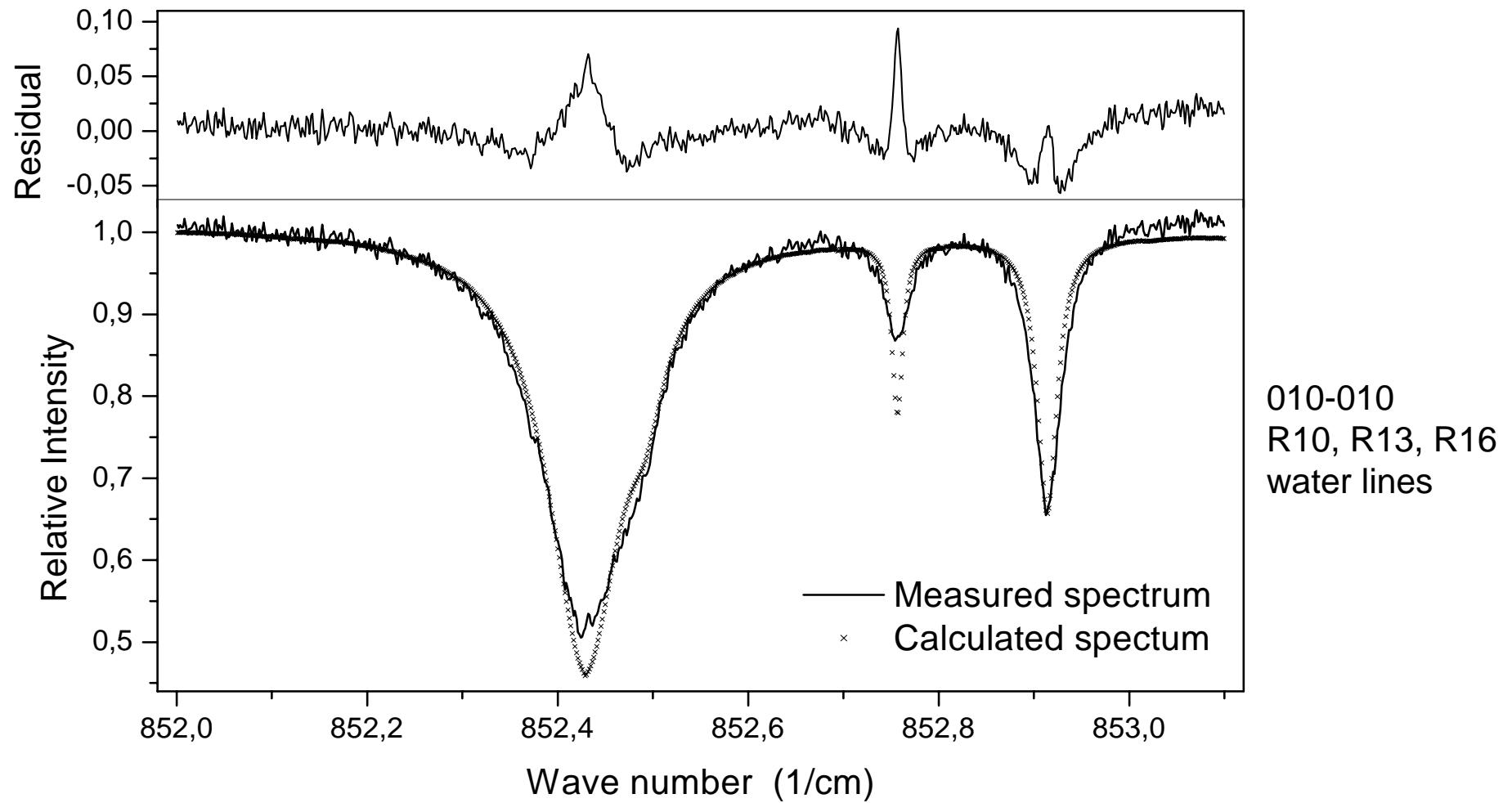


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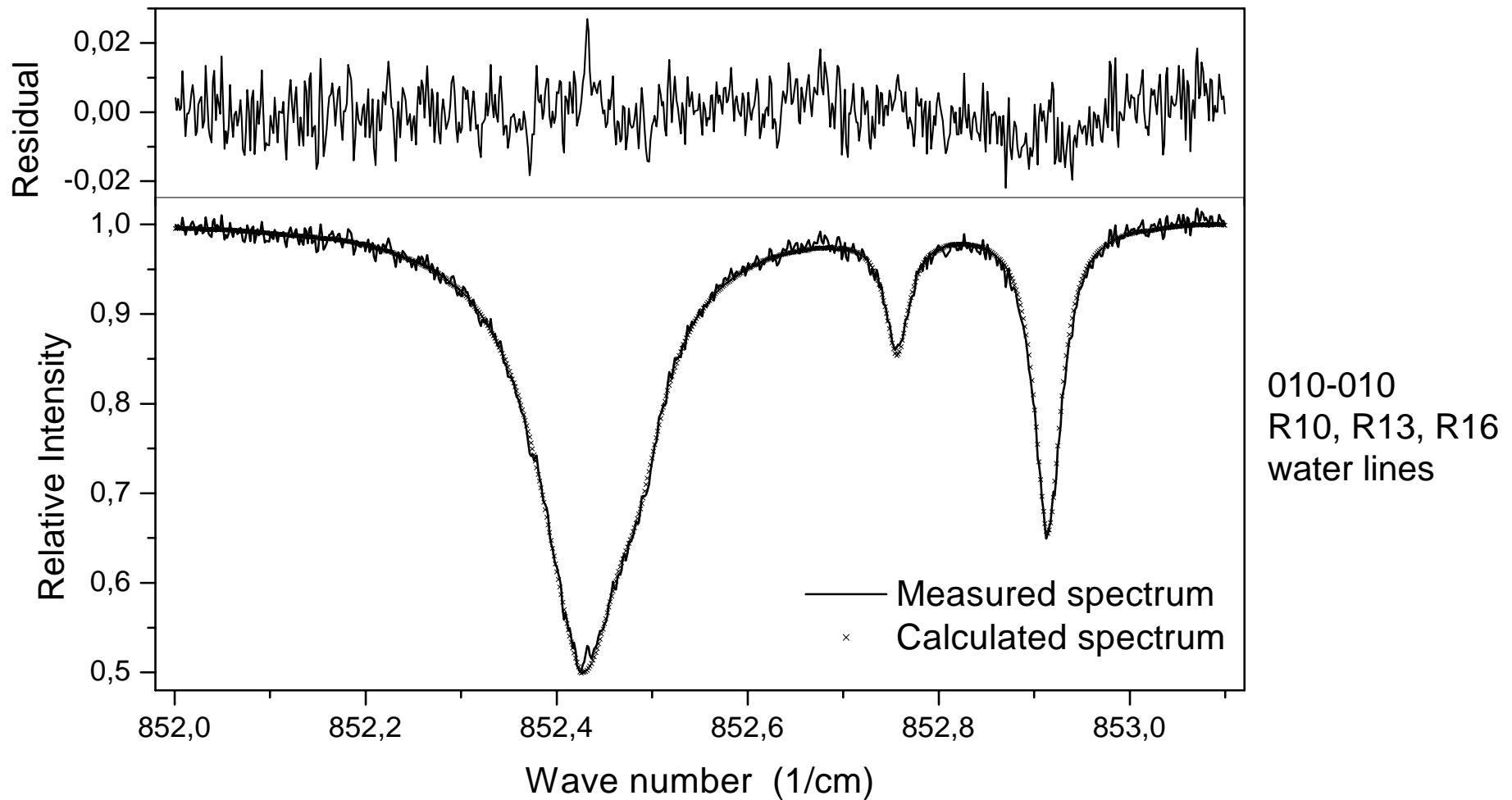


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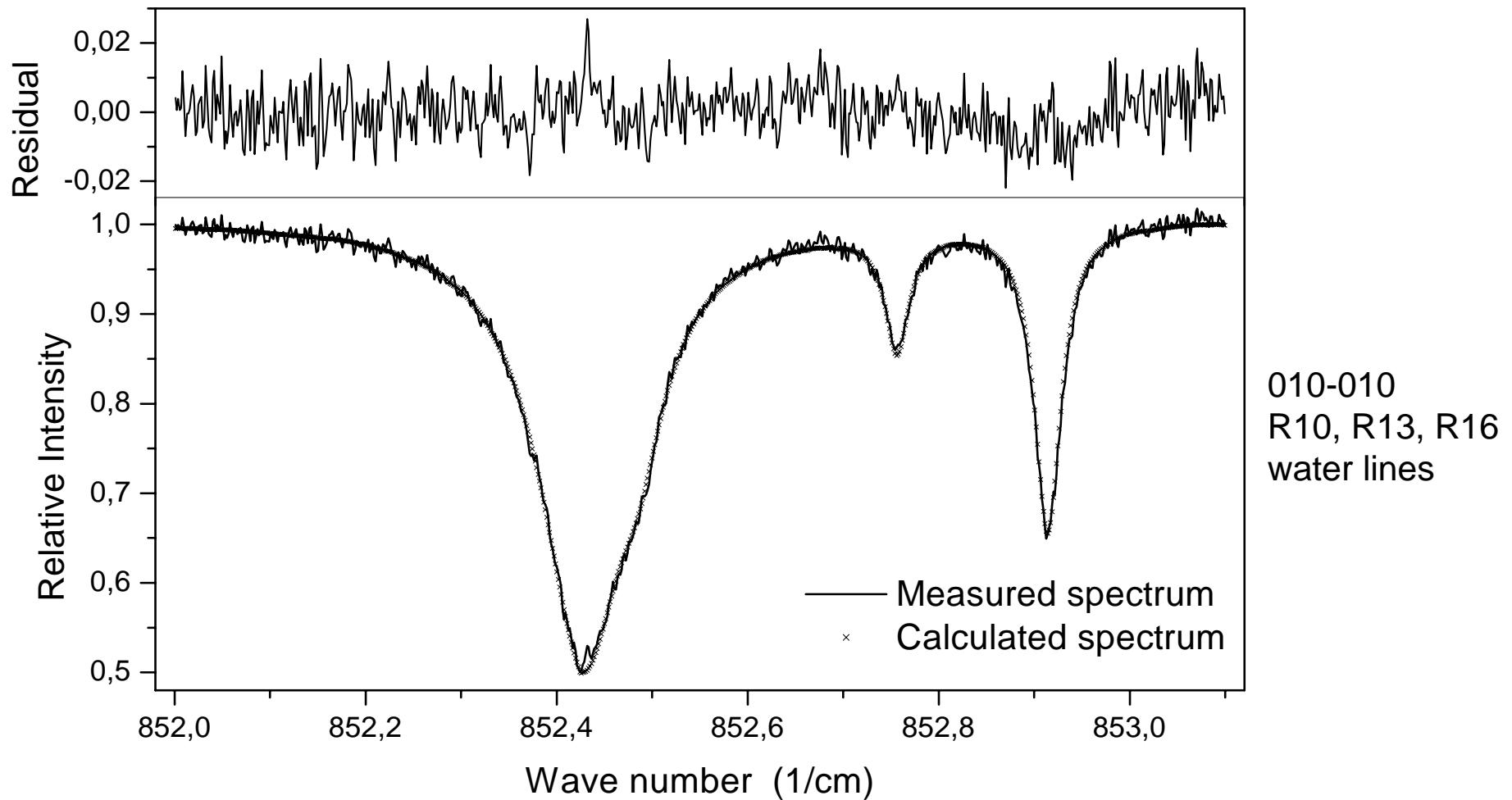
010-010  
R10, R13, R16  
water lines

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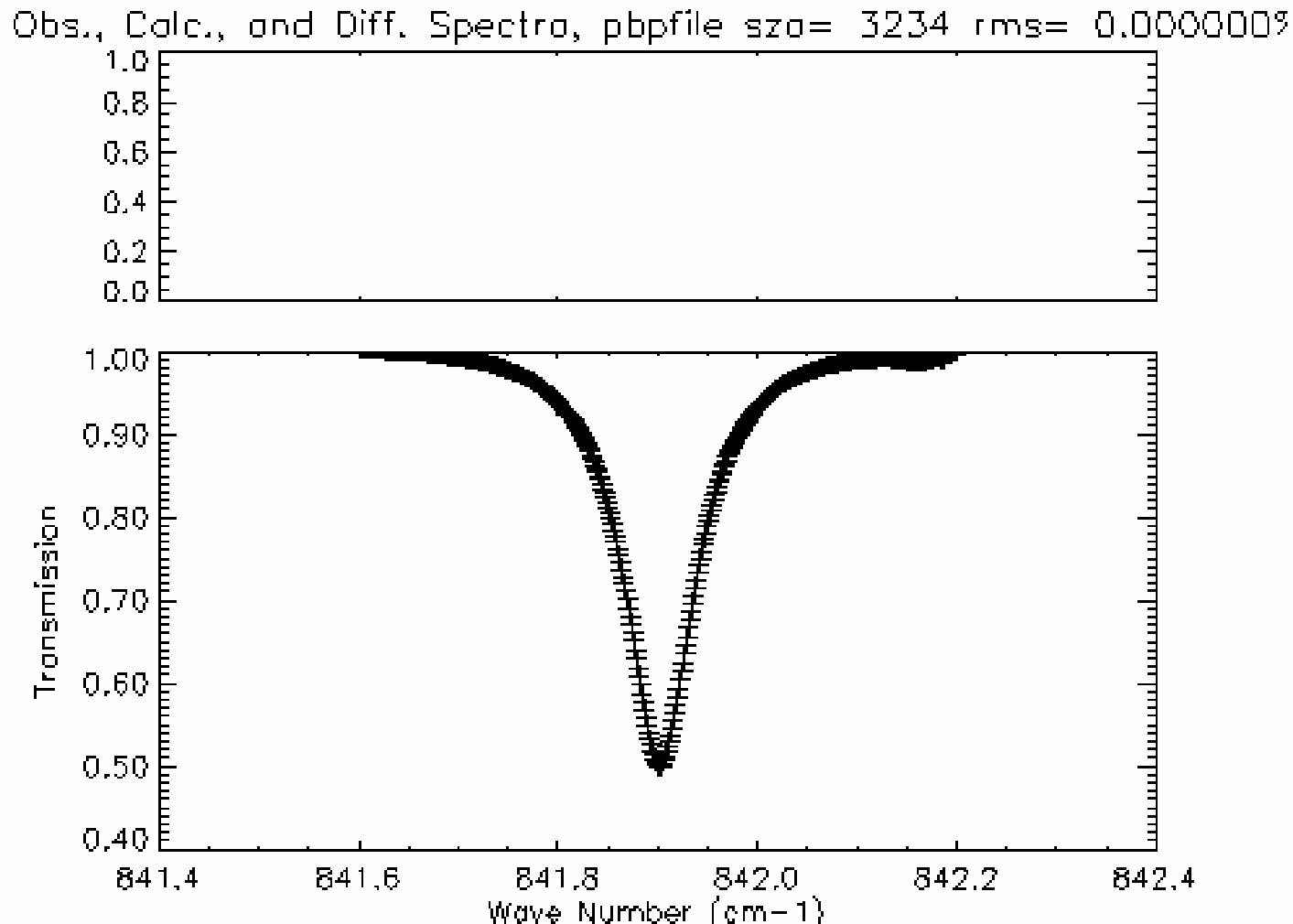
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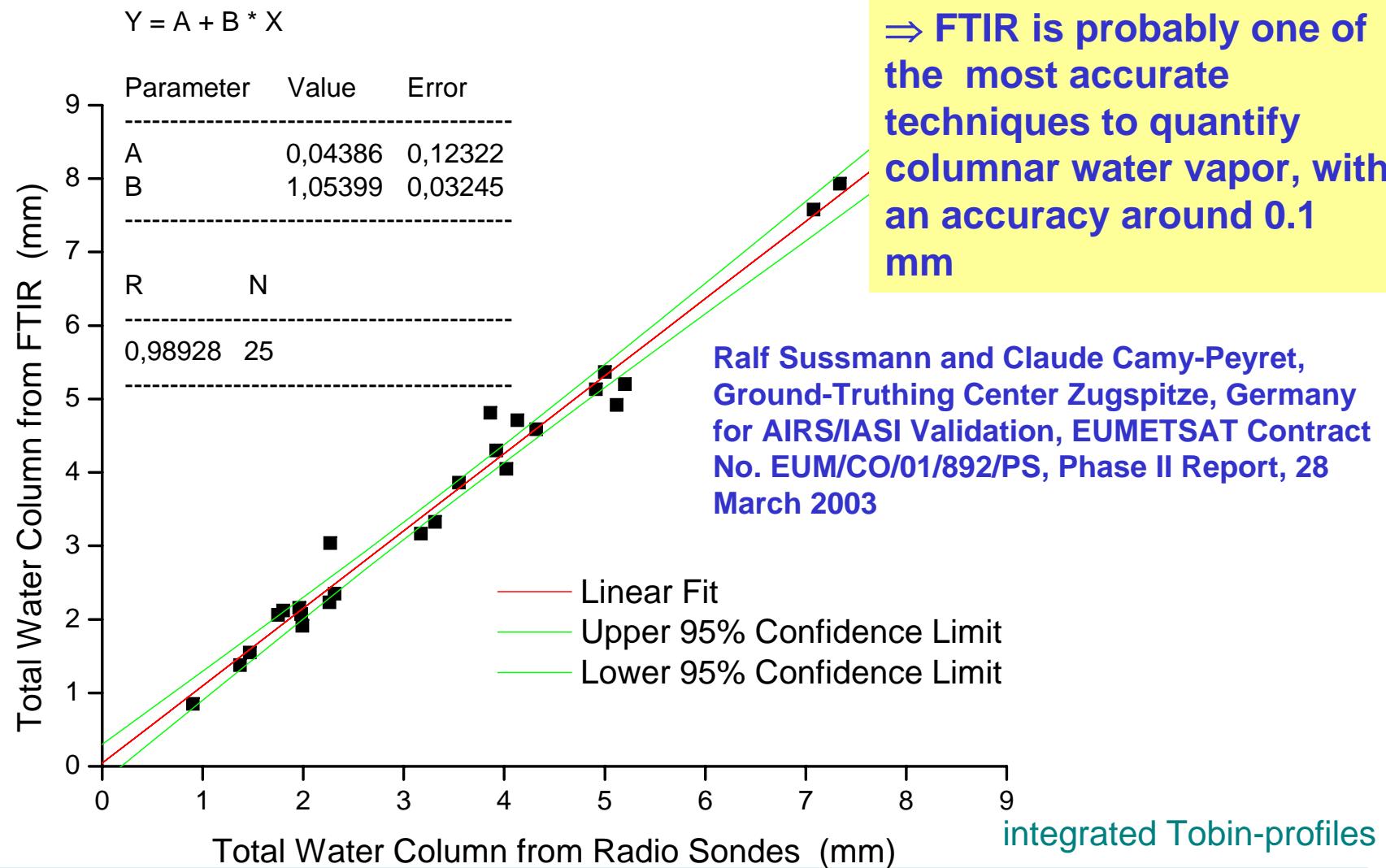


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# Water vapor columns Zugspitze/Garmisch: Validation of solar FTIR with sondes

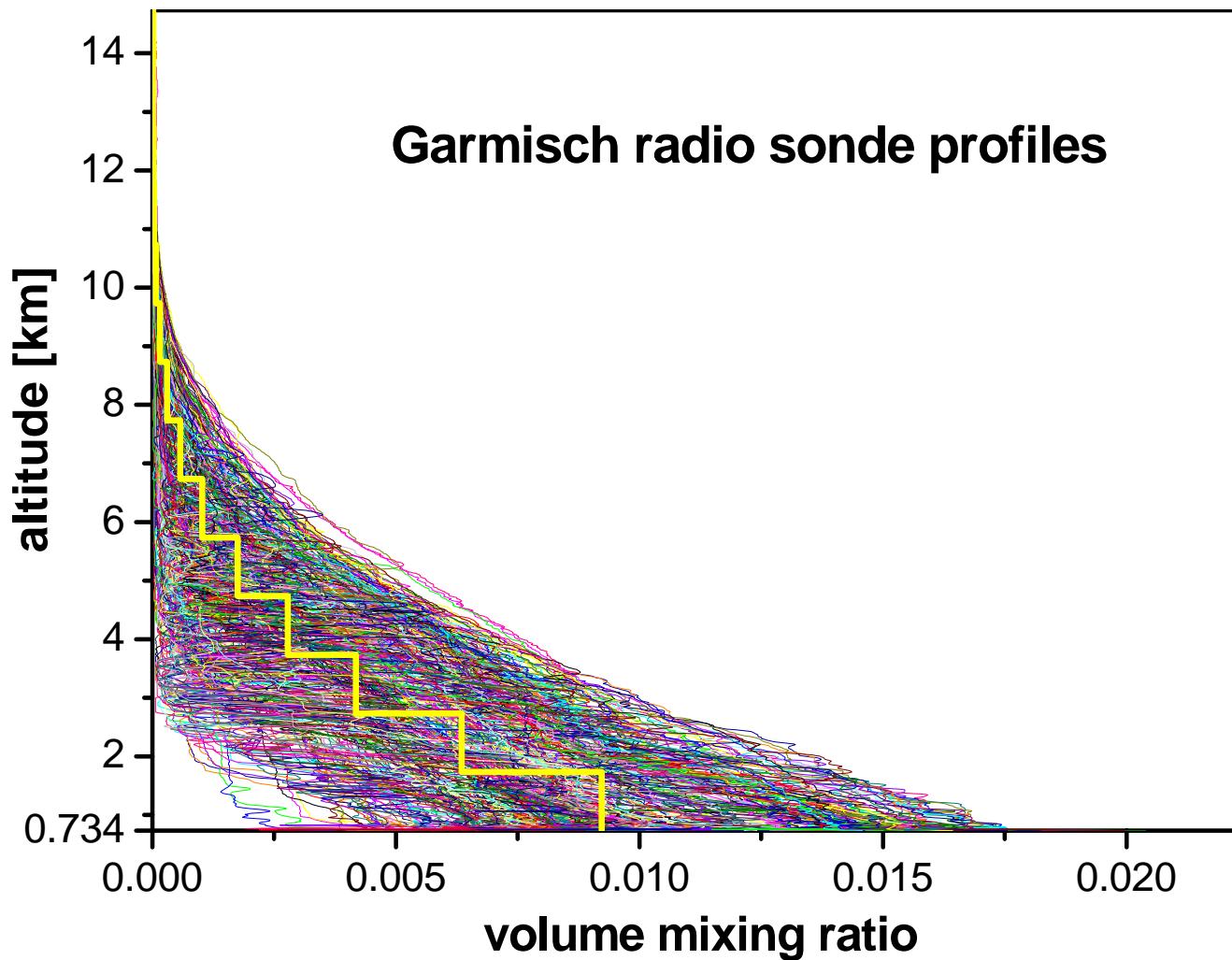
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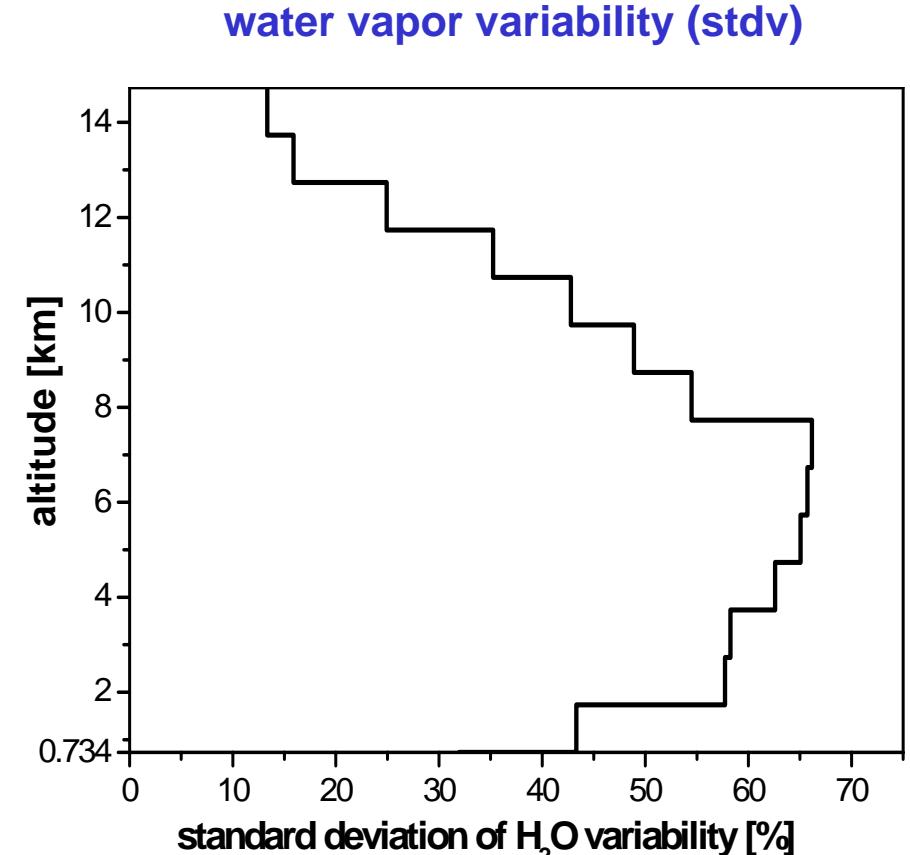
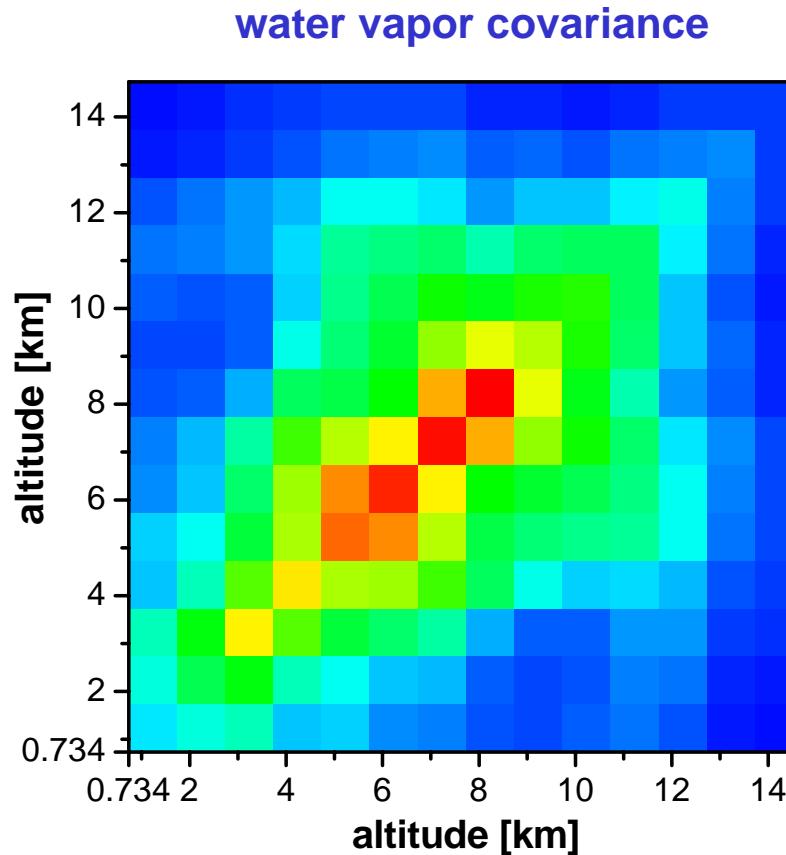
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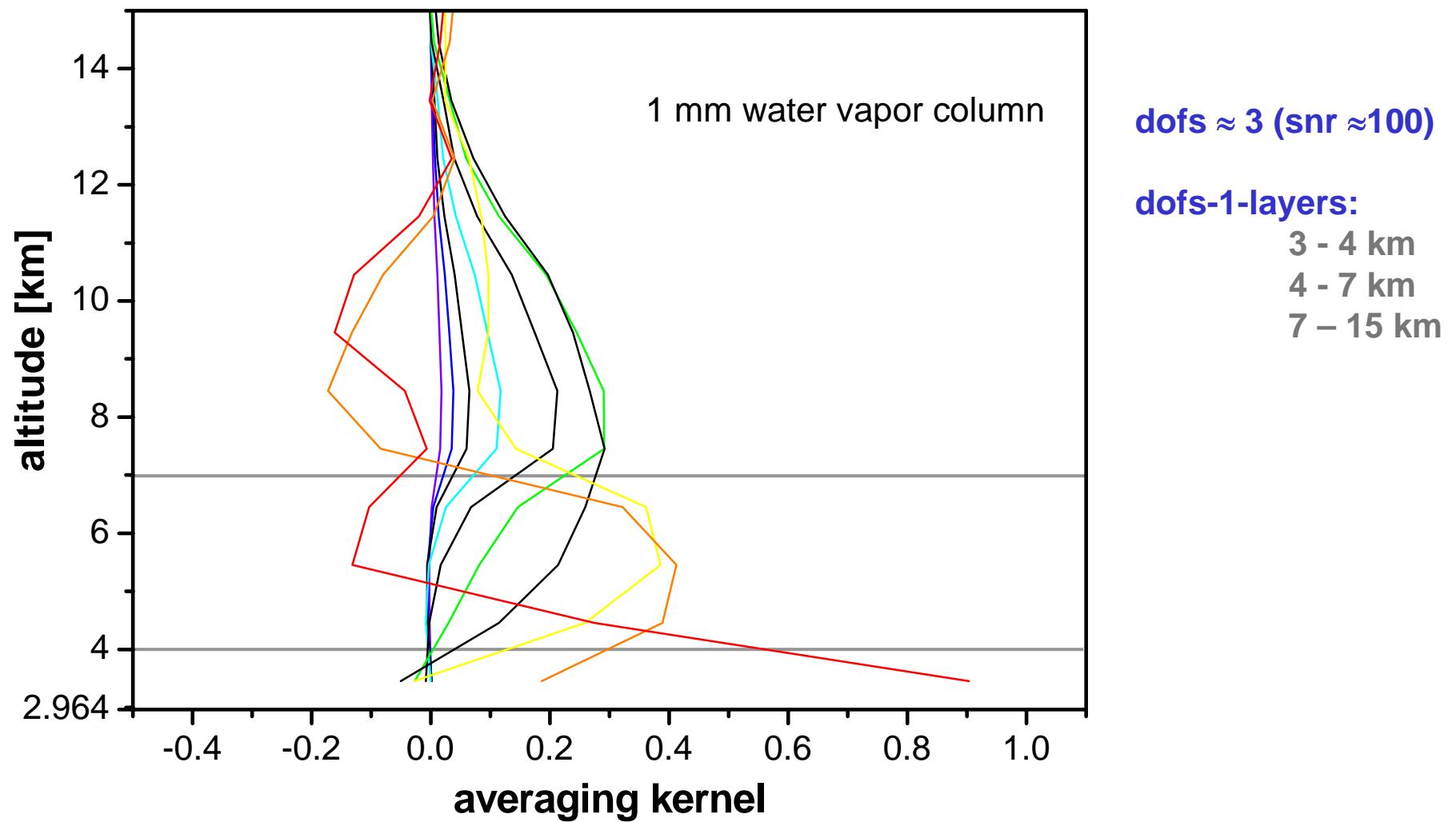
Unit: covariances of VMR-layer scaling factors

VMR

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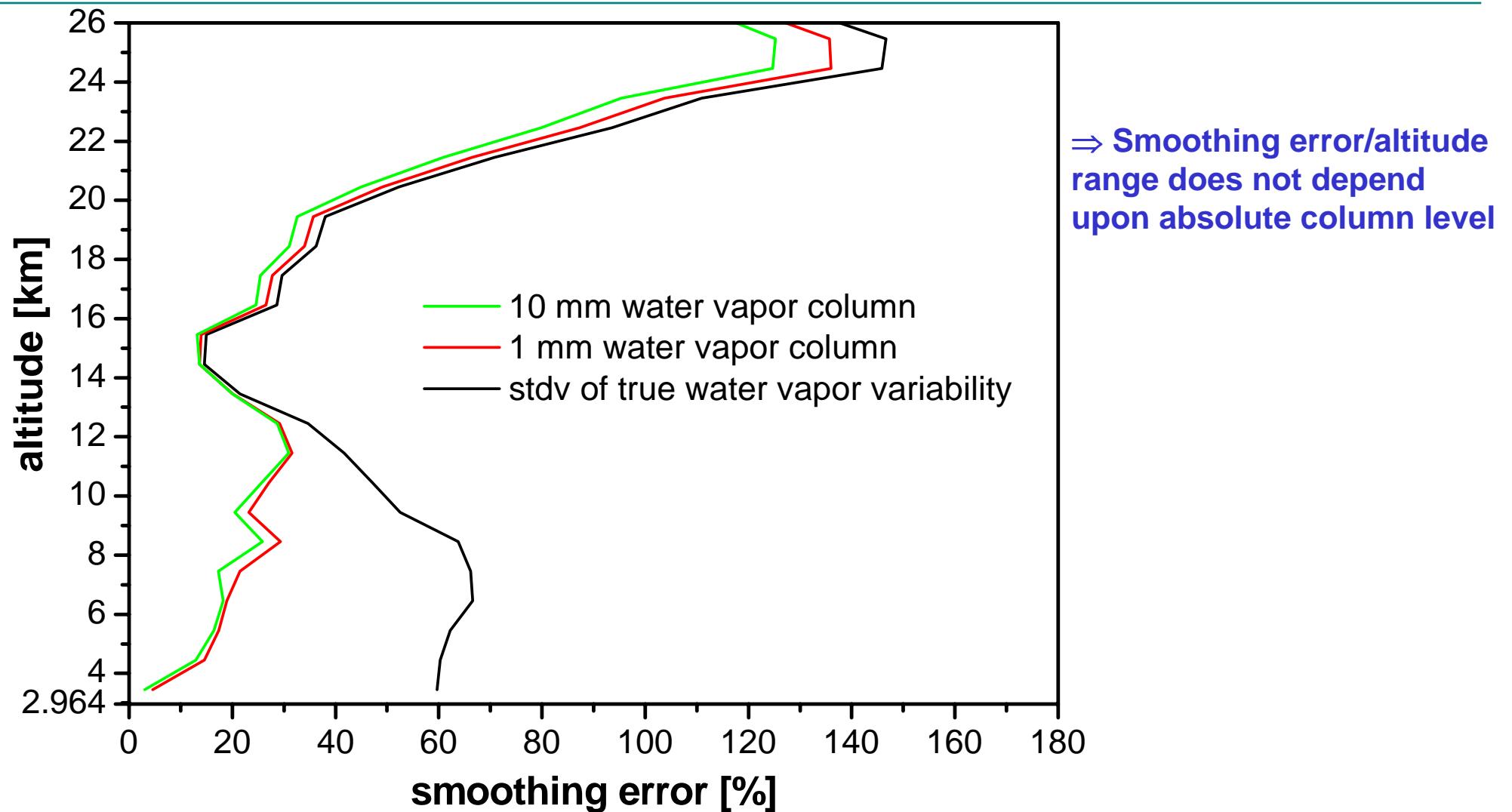
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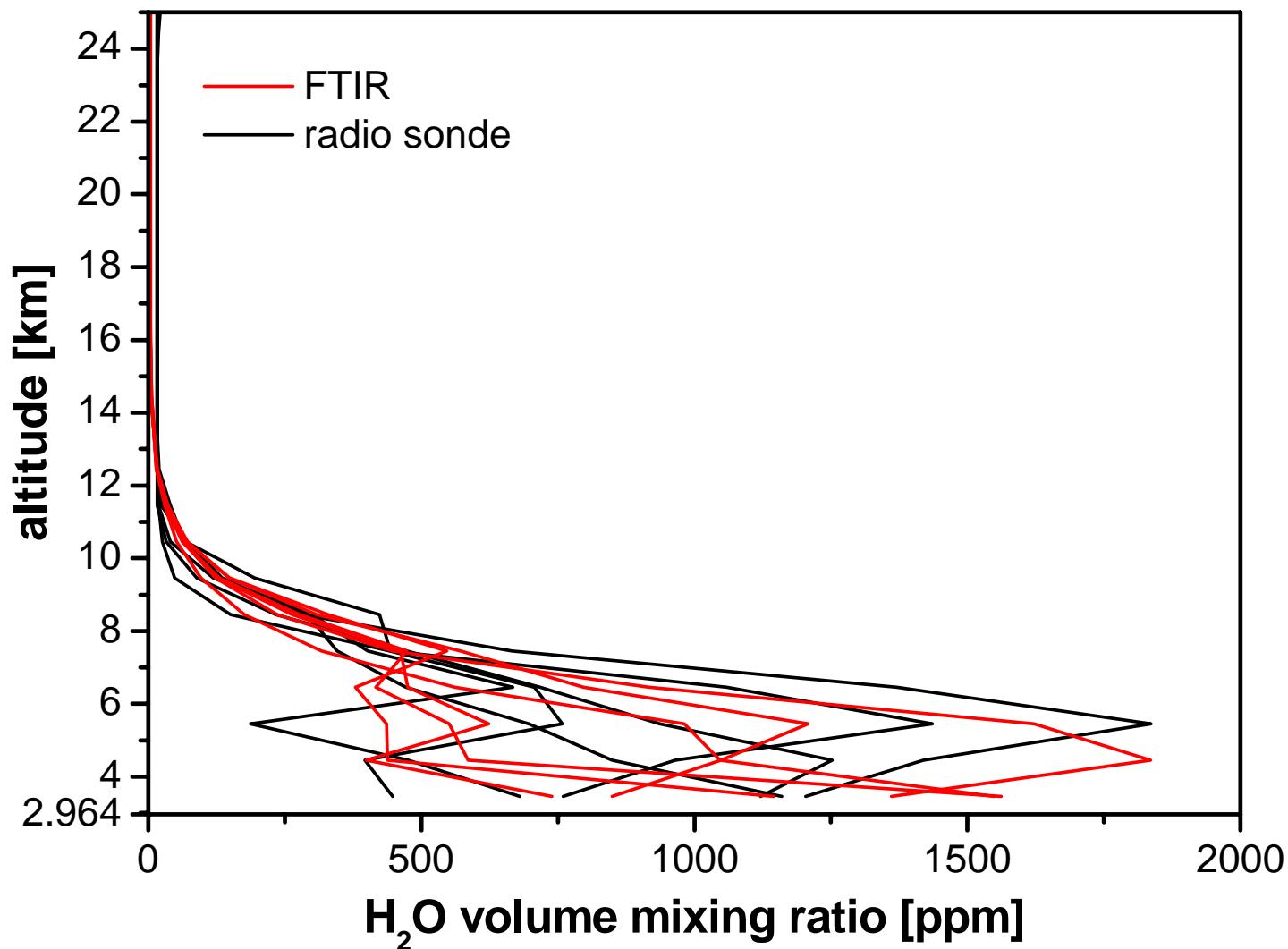
## Zugspitze/Garmisch FTIR profile retrieval: Smoothing error



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## Zugspitze FTIR profile retrieval: Retrieved profiles versus sondes

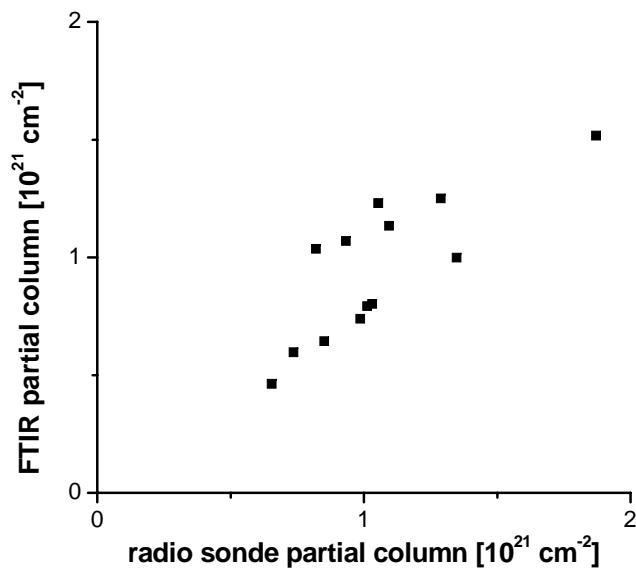


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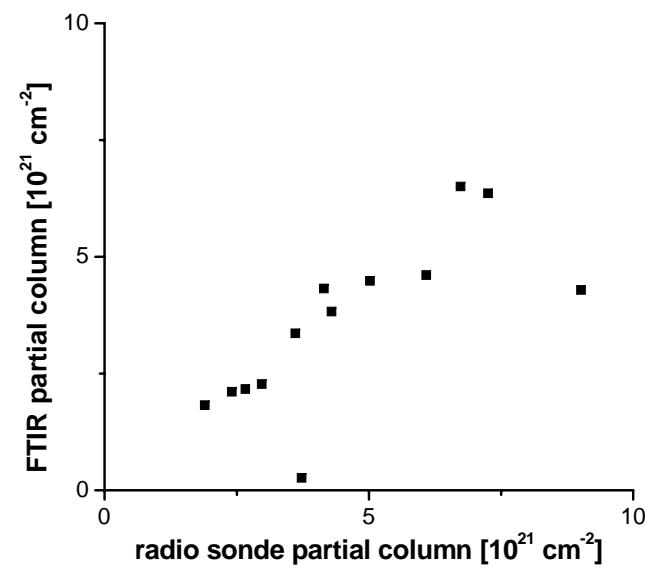
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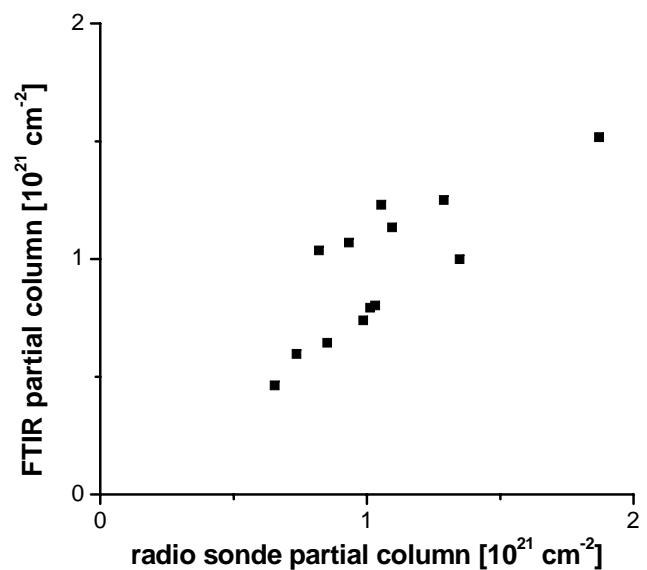
**partial column 3 - 4 km**



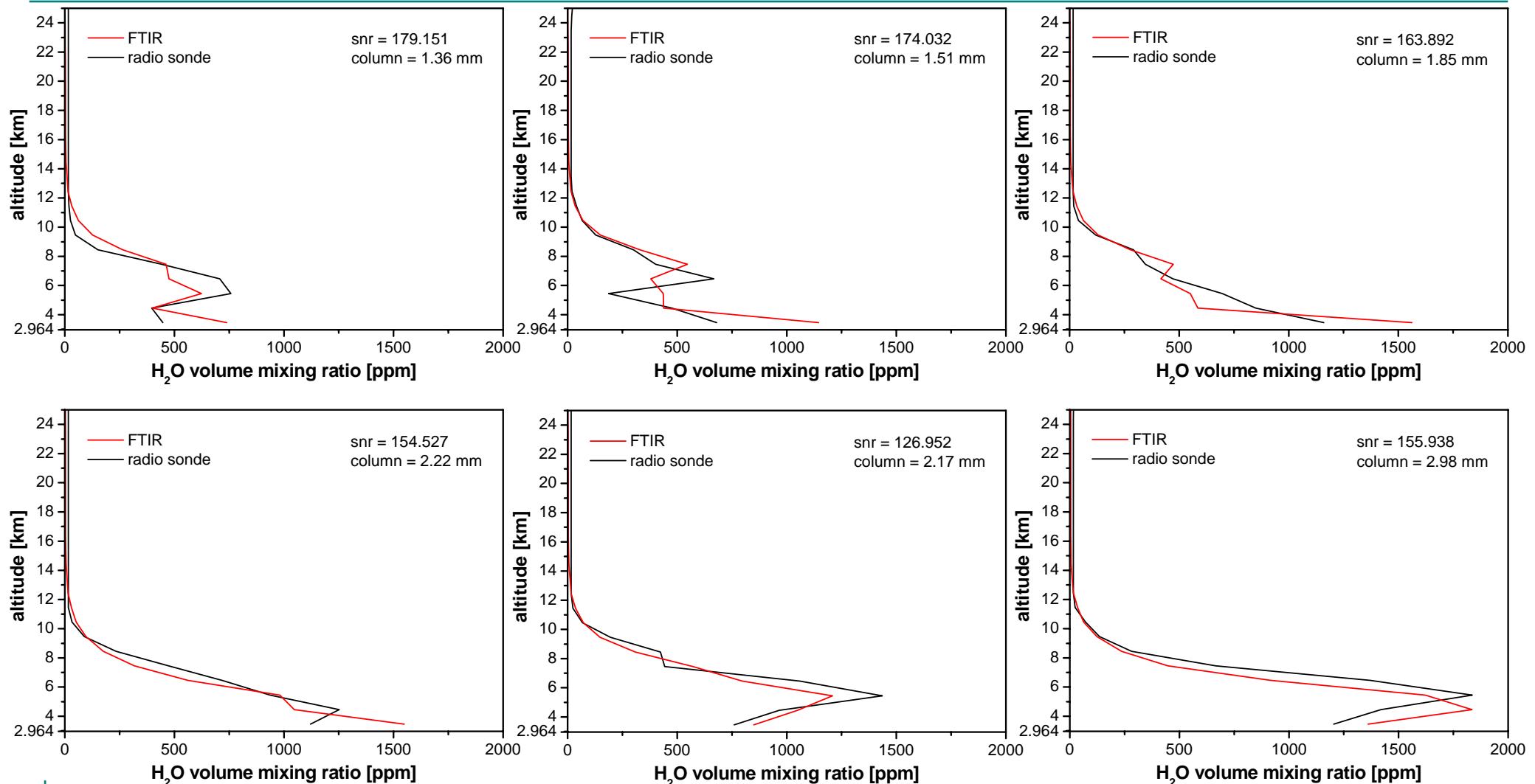
**partial column 4 - 7 km**



**partial column 7 - 15 km**



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## *Summary/Outlook: FTIR water vapor retrievals at Zugspitze + Garmisch*

### Summary

- found interference-free micro-window set
- FTIR yields very very high accuracy total columns
- Zugspitze – Garmisch „differential FTIR“
- OE with climatological a priori covariance from sondes works fine
- dofs  $\approx 3$ , i.e., layers 3 - 4 km, 4 - 7 km, 7 – 15 km
- smoothing error/altitude range does not significantly depend on absolute water column level
- validation against sondes good, given high quality spectra ( $\text{snr} > 120$ )

### Outlook

- synergistic combination with Zugspitze water lidar measurements
- Zugspitze/Garmisch EPS-MetOp IASI validation campaign in 2007

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