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AC-TC processor

LATMOS

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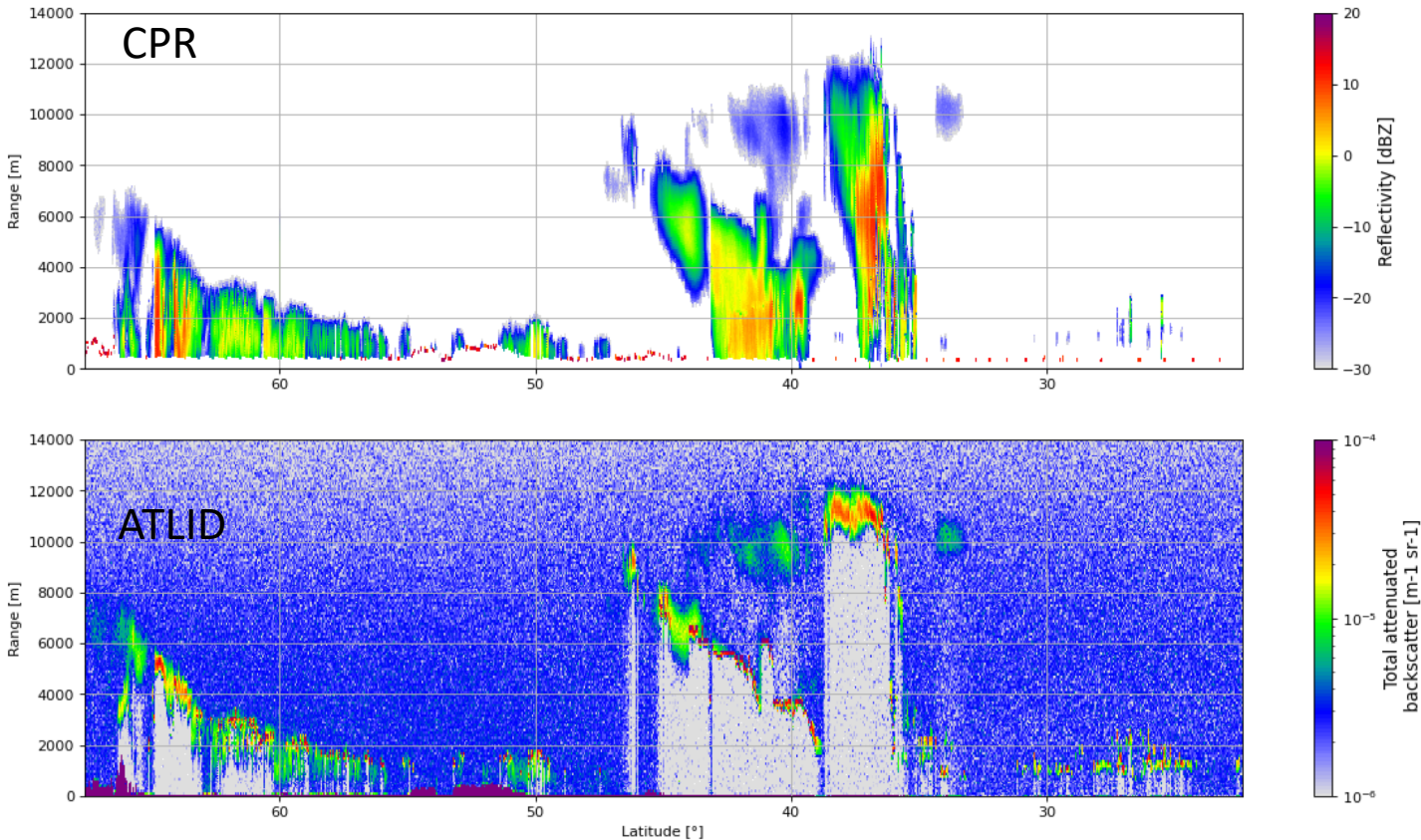
HALIFAX scene simulation

AC-TC processor: merging information of LIDAR and RADAR CLASSIFICATIONS

lidar and radar probe different parts of particle size regimes: **radar can penetrate thick ice clouds while lidar detects very thin ice clouds and liquid clouds.**

Two independent information (microwave and optical) in the overlap region: **Combination of the two signals allows us to further when classify the different targets.**

1. lidar backscatter contains information about hydrometeor nature: strong backscatter regions composed either of warm liquid water, supercooled water, ice in high concentration or a mix of them.
2. radar brings much more information on deep ice cloud and the precipitation part of the cloud (solid or liquid).
3. radar is taking over lidar on rain, drizzle and snow events.

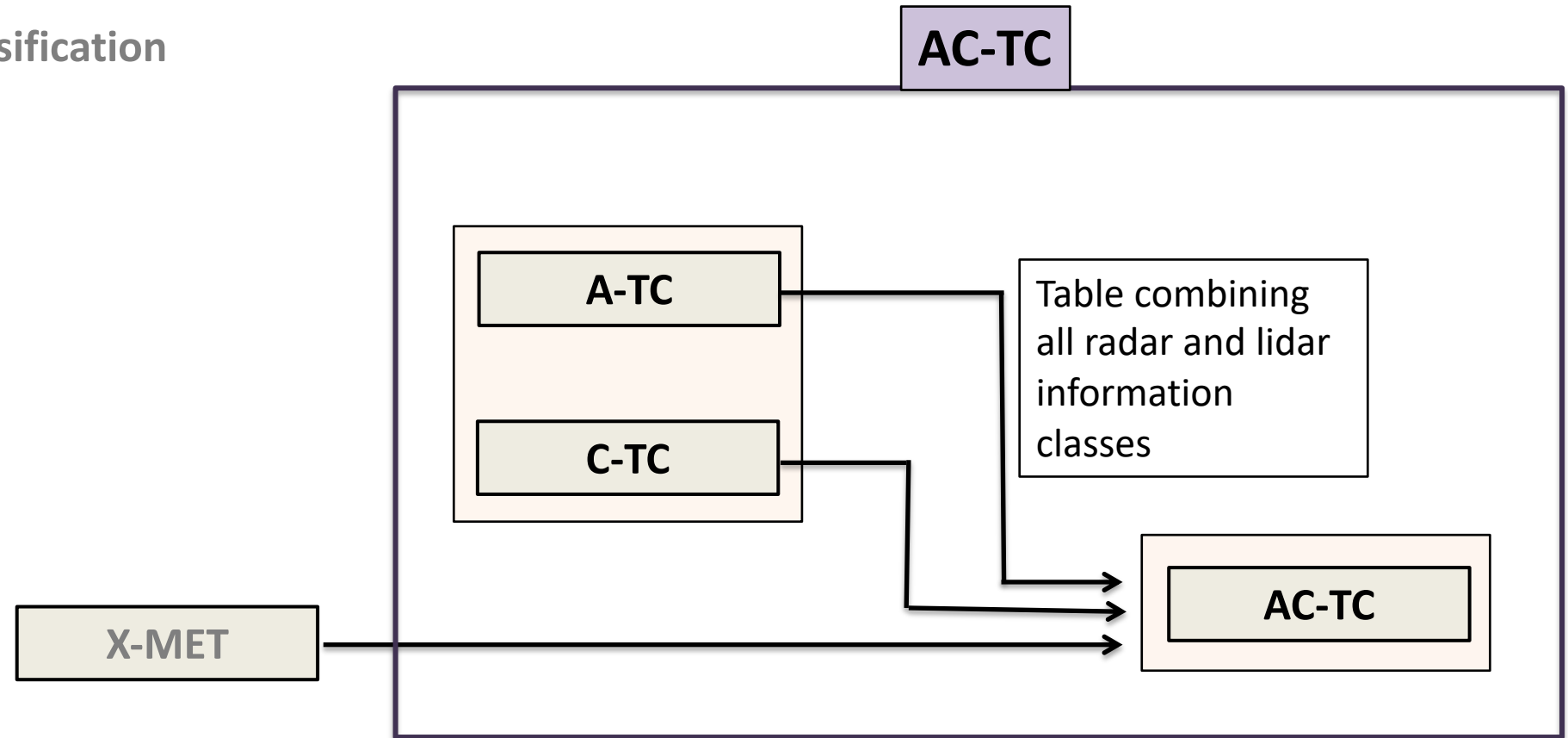


Capitalise on the experience of CloudSat/CALIPSO data for many years

AC-TC PROCESSOR AND DATA PRODUCT

A-TC : ATL Target Classification

C-TC : CPR Target Classification



ATL Target Classification

A-TC VALUES	CLASSES
-3	Missing data
-2	Surface or sub-surface
-1	Attenuated region
0	Clear
1	(Warm) liquid cloud
2	Supercooled liquid cloud
3	Ice cloud
10	Dust
11	Sea salt
12	Continental pollution
13	Smoke
14	Dusty smoke
15	Dusty mix
20	STS – PSC type I
21	NAT – PSC type II
22	Stratospheric ice
25	Ash
26	Sulfate
27	Smoke

CPR Target Classification

Value C-TC	Description
-1	Missing data
0	Ground
1	Clear sky
2	No drizzle liquid cloud
3	Lightly drizzling liquid clouds
4	Heavy drizzle and warm rain
5	Cold rain (rain from melting ice)
6	Melting snow
7	Rimed snow
8	Snow
9	Ice cloud
10	Stratospheric cloud (ice)
11	Insects (or artefacts)
12	Signal likely extinguished, rain likely present
13	Signal likely extinguished, mixed-phase likely present
14	Signal extinguished, rain likely present
15	Signal extinguished, mixed-phase likely present
16	Removed ground clutter, possible rain in clutter
17	Removed ground clutter, possible snow in clutter
18	Removed ground clutter, possible cloud in clutter
19	Removed ground clutter, cloud/precipitation unlikely present in this layer
20	Uncertain (don't know)

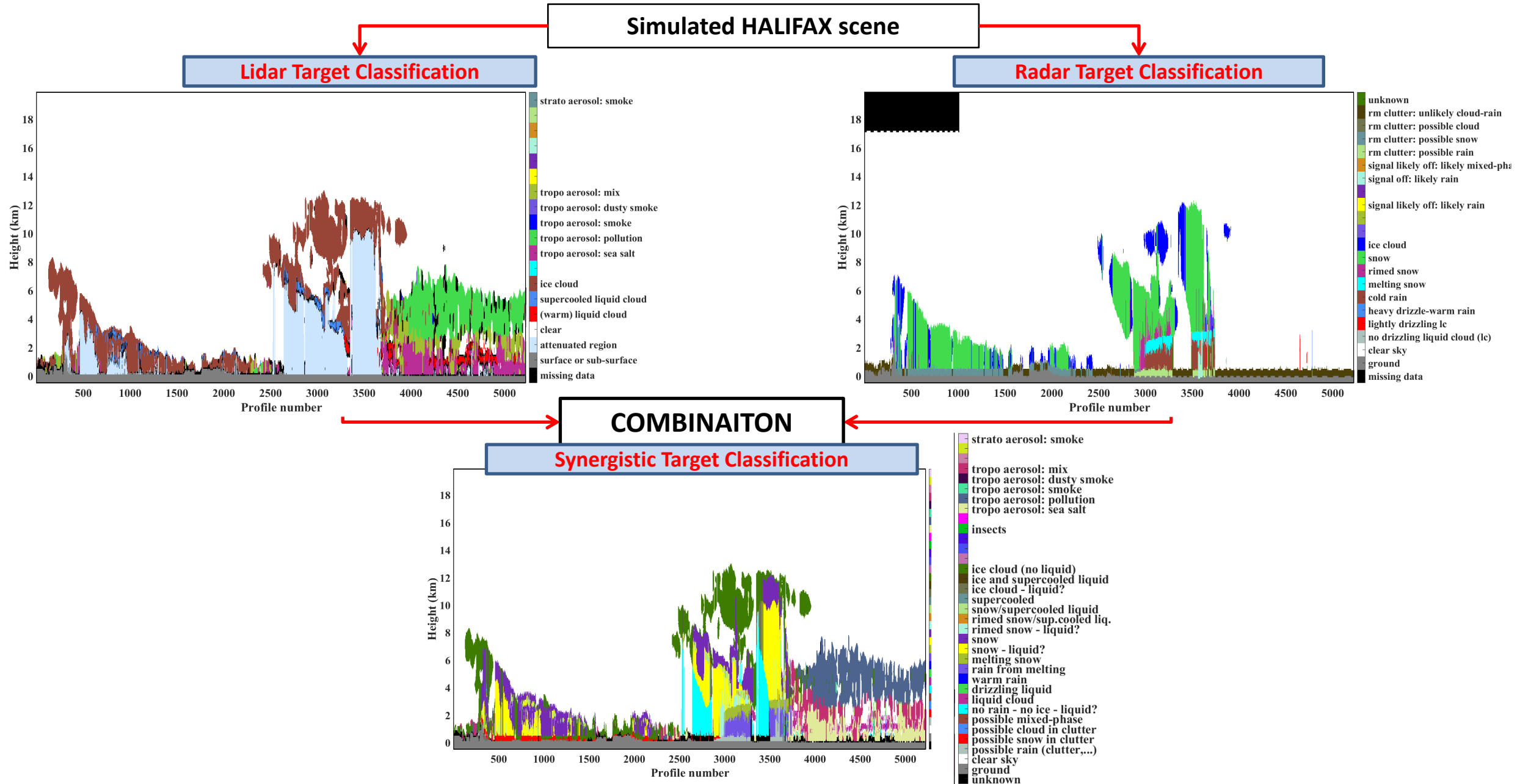
COMBINATION

AC-TC Classification

AC Classes	Associated numbers
unknown (missing data)	-1
ground	0
clear sky	1
possible rain (ground clutter, radar likely or extinguished)	2
possible snow in ground clutter	3
possible cloud in ground clutter	4
possible mixed-phase (radar likely or extinguished)	5
No rain or ice but can't tell if liquid	6
liquid	7
drizzling liquid cloud	8
warm rain	9
rain from melting (cold rain)	10
melting snow	11
snow but don't know if liquid too	12
snow (no liquid)	13
rimed snow but don't know if liquid too	14
rimed snow and supercooled liquid	15
snow and supercooled liquid	16
supercooled	17
ice cloud don't know if liquid too	18
ice and supercooled liquid	19
ice cloud (no liquid)	20
Stratospheric ice	21
STS - PSC type I	22
NAT - PSC type II	23
insects	24
tropospheric aerosol type	25-30
stratospheric aerosol type	31-33

C-TC \ A-TC	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	10-15	20	21	22	25-27
	Missing data	Ground	attenuated region	clear sky	liquid cloud	supercooled water	ice cloud	Aerosol and type	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol and type
-1	-1	0	-1	1	7	17	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
Missing data	Unknown	Ground	Unknown	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types
0	0	0	0	1	7	17	20	25-30	0	0	0	31-33
Ground	ground	Ground	Ground	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	Ground	Ground	Ground	Aerosol - Types
1	1	0	6	1	7	17	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
clear sky	clear sky	Ground	no rain no ice can't tell if liquid	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types
2	7	0	7	24	7	17	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
liquid cloud (no drizzle)	Liquid	Ground	Liquid	insects	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types
3	8	0	8	24	8	19	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
lightly drizzling liquid clouds	drizzling liquid cloud	Ground	drizzling liquid cloud	insects	drizzling liquid cloud	ice and supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types
4	9	0	9	24	8	19	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
heavy drizzle and warm rain	warm rain	Ground	warm rain	insects	drizzling liquid cloud	ice and supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types
5	10	0	10	24	8	19	20	10	22	23	21	10
cold rain (from melting ice)	rain from melting	Ground	rain from melting	insects	drizzling liquid cloud	ice and supercooled	ice cloud	rain from melting	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	rain from melting
6	11	0	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
melting snow	melting snow	Ground	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow	melting snow
7	14	0	14	13	15	15	13	13	13	13	13	13
rimed snow	rimed snow but don't know if liquid too	Ground	rimed snow but don't know if liquid too	snow	rimed snow and supercooled	rimed snow and supercooled	snow	snow	snow	snow	snow	snow
8	12	0	12	13	16	16	13	13	13	13	13	13
snow	snow but don't know if liquid too	Ground	snow but don't know if liquid too	snow	snow and supercooled	snow and supercooled	snow	snow	snow	snow	snow	snow
9	18	0	18	20	19	19	20	20	20	20	20	20
Ice cloud	Ice cloud but don't know if liquid too	Ground	Ice cloud but don't know if liquid too	ice cloud	ice and supercooled	ice and supercooled	ice cloud	ice cloud	ice cloud	ice cloud	ice cloud	ice cloud
10	21	0	21	21	19	19	20	21	21	21	21	21
stratospheric ice	Stratospheric ice	Ground	Stratospheric ice	Stratospheric ice	ice and supercooled	ice and supercooled	ice cloud	Stratospheric ice	Stratospheric ice	Stratospheric ice	Stratospheric ice	Stratospheric ice
11	24	0	24	24	7	17	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
insects	insects	Ground	insects	insects	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types
12	2	0	2	1	7	17	20	25-30	2	2	2	31-33
Signal likely extinguished, rain likely present	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	Ground	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	Aerosol - Types
13	5	0	5	1	7	17	20	25-30	5	5	5	31-33
Signal likely extinguished, mixed-phase likely present	possible mixed-phase	Ground	possible mixed-phase	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	possible mixed-phase	possible mixed-phase	possible mixed-phase	Aerosol - Types
14	2	0	2	1	7	17	20	25-30	2	2	2	31-33
Signal extinguished rain likely present	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	Ground	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	Aerosol - Types
15	5	0	5	1	7	17	20	25-30	5	5	5	31-33
Signal extinguished, mixed-phase likely present	possible mixed-phase	Ground	possible mixed-phase	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	possible mixed-phase	possible mixed-phase	possible mixed-phase	Aerosol - Types
16	2	0	2	1	7	17	20	25-30	2	2	2	31-33
ground clutter removed, possible rain in clutter	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	Ground	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	possible rain (ground clutter,...)	Aerosol - Types
17	3	0	3	1	7	17	20	25-30	3	3	3	31-33
ground clutter removed, possible snow in clutter	possible snow in ground clutter	Ground	possible snow in ground clutter	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	possible snow in ground clutter	possible snow in ground clutter	possible snow in ground clutter	Aerosol - Types
18	4	0	4	1	7	17	20	25-30	4	4	4	31-33
ground clutter removed, possible cloud in clutter	possible cloud in ground clutter	Ground	possible cloud in ground clutter	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	possible cloud in ground clutter	possible cloud in ground clutter	possible cloud in ground clutter	Aerosol - Types
19	-1	0	-1	1	7	17	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
ground clutter removed, unlikely cloud/precipitation	Unknown	Ground	Unknown	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types
20	-1	0	-1	1	7	17	20	25-30	22	23	21	31-33
uncertain	Unknown	Ground	Unknown	clear sky	Liquid	supercooled	ice cloud	Aerosol - Types	STS	NAT	Stratospheric ice	Aerosol - Types

AC-TC: a Synergistic Target Classification



Conclusions

- A processor making the most of two worlds to identifies, clouds, aerosols, precipitation and mixture.
- The AC-TC classification is based on the A-TC and C-TC inputs and must be consistent
- Three test scenes (Halifax, Baja and Tropical pacific) were successfully processed with the new classification and processor changes
- We are looking forward to see this processor running on real data!!!