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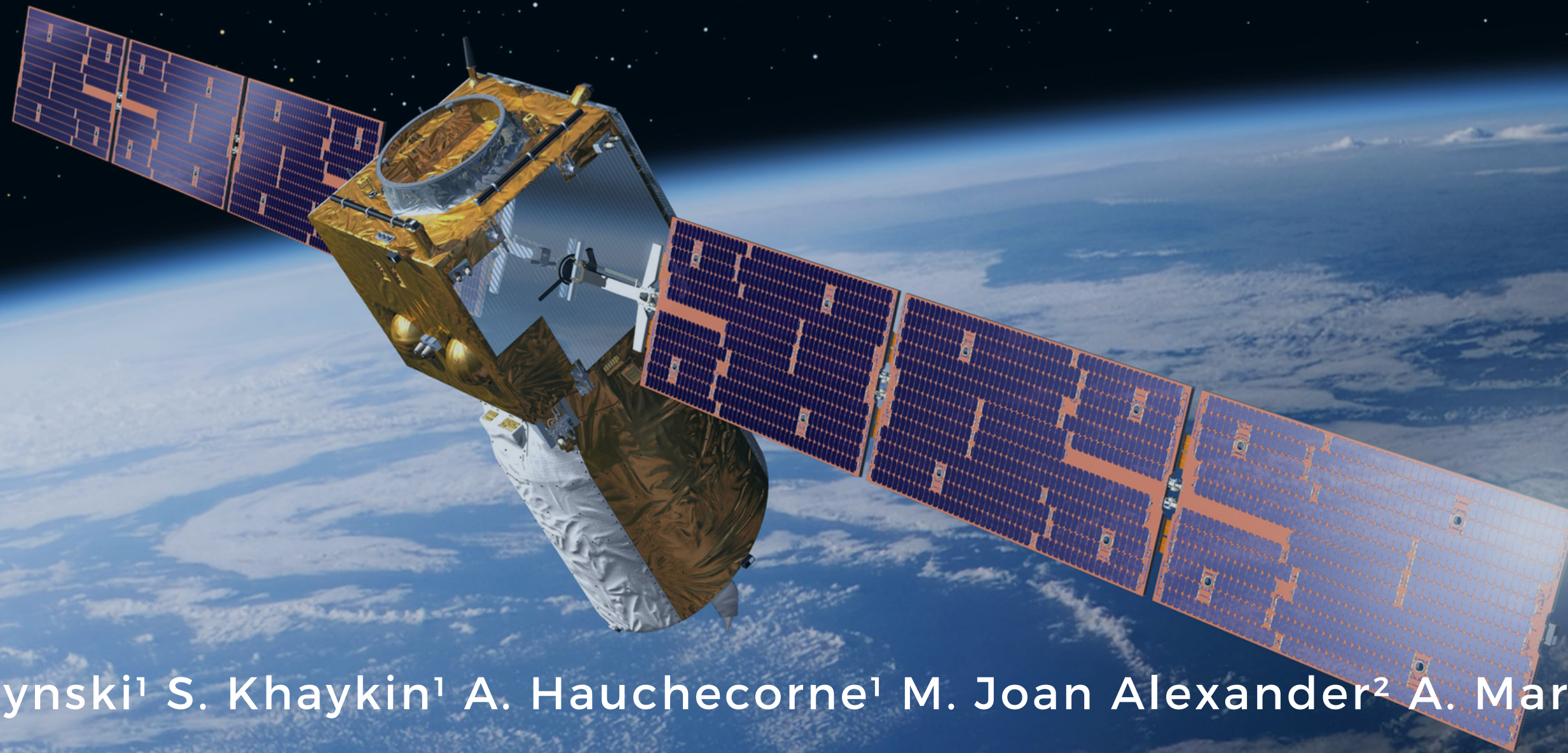
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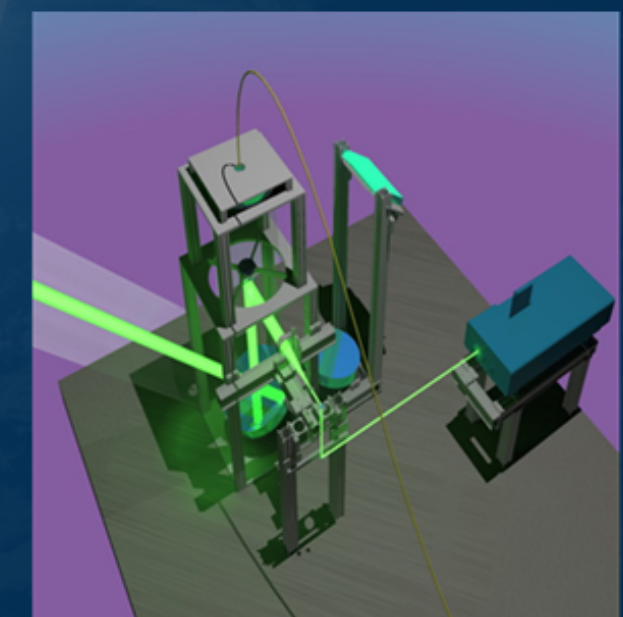
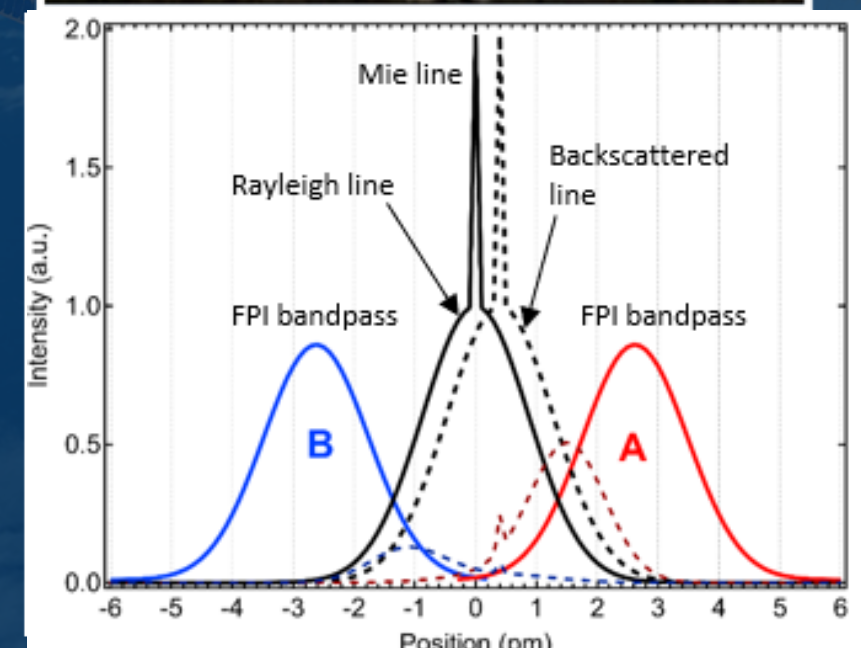
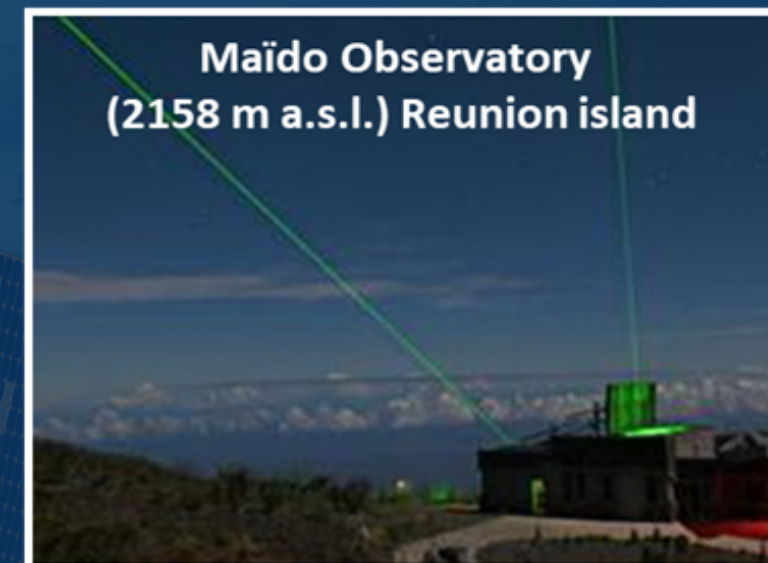
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RAYLEIGH-MIE DOPPLER LIDAR

- Doppler wind lidar at Maïdo observatory (La Reunion island)
- Doppler wind lidar at OHP observatory (Haute Provence, France)
- Double-edge Fabry-Perot interferometer: same as ALADIN Rayleigh channel
- Altitude range: 5 – 75 km, vertical resolution 100 m, temporal resolution 5 minutes, random error < 1 m/s up to 25 km altitude
- Regular operation and intensive measurement campaigns since 2014
- AboVE- Aeolus Validation Experiment: intensive measurement campaigns and punctual cal/val measurements: wind lidar and radiosoundings
- AboVE-Maido1 campaign : 25 sept 2019 to 10 oct 2019
- AboVE-Maido2 campaign : 31 may 2021 to 24 june 2021
- AboVE-OHP1 campaign : 6 Jan 2019 to 14 Jan 2019
- AboVE-OHP2 campaign : 29 nov 2021 to 13 dec 2021



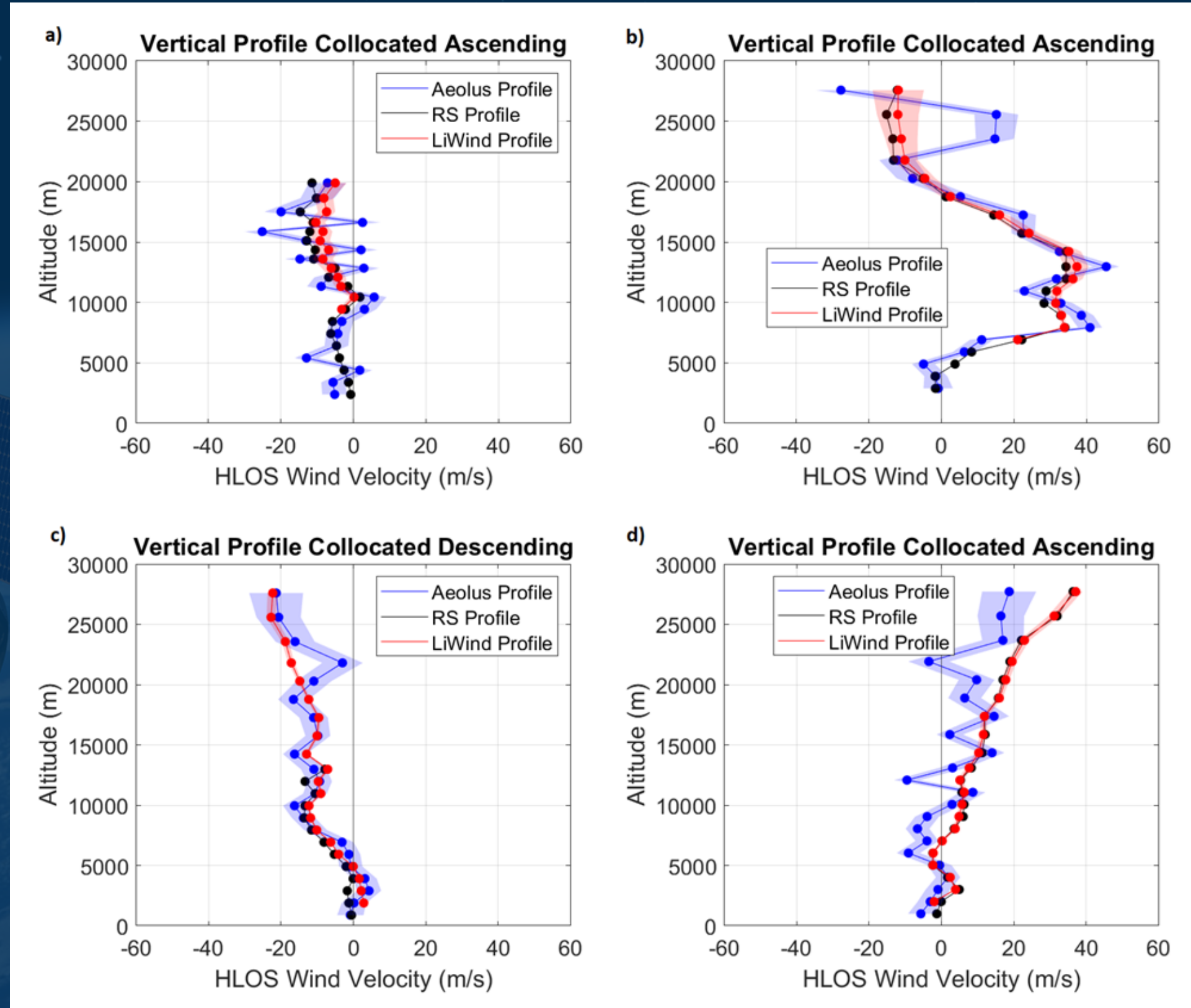
COLLOCATION CASES

a): February 24, 2021 (Above Maïdo 2) - 2B11
Oscillation only visible on satellite - I2OP ?

b): June 9, 2021 (Above Maïdo 2) - 2B12
Cone shaped pattern - High RBS flaw ?

c): 14 December 2021 (Above OHP2) - 2B13
Sudden high value - Hot pixel ?

d): December 20, 2021 (Above OHP 2) - 2B13
Oscillation + high values - Hot pixel + I2OP ?



BIAS & RANDOM ERROR

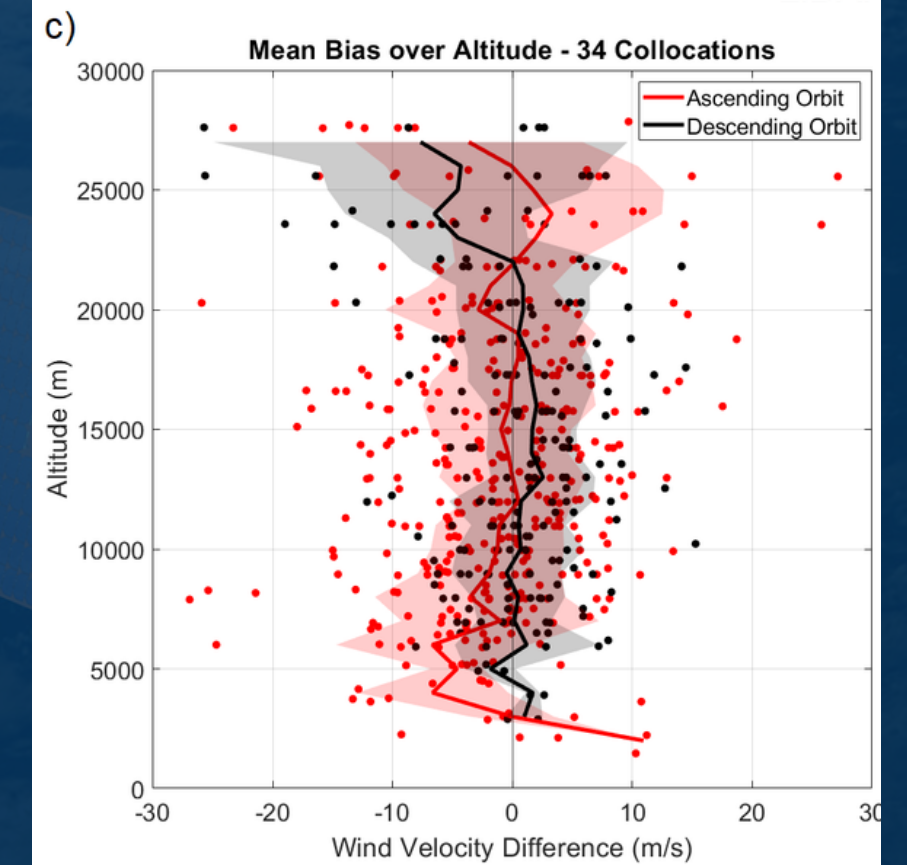
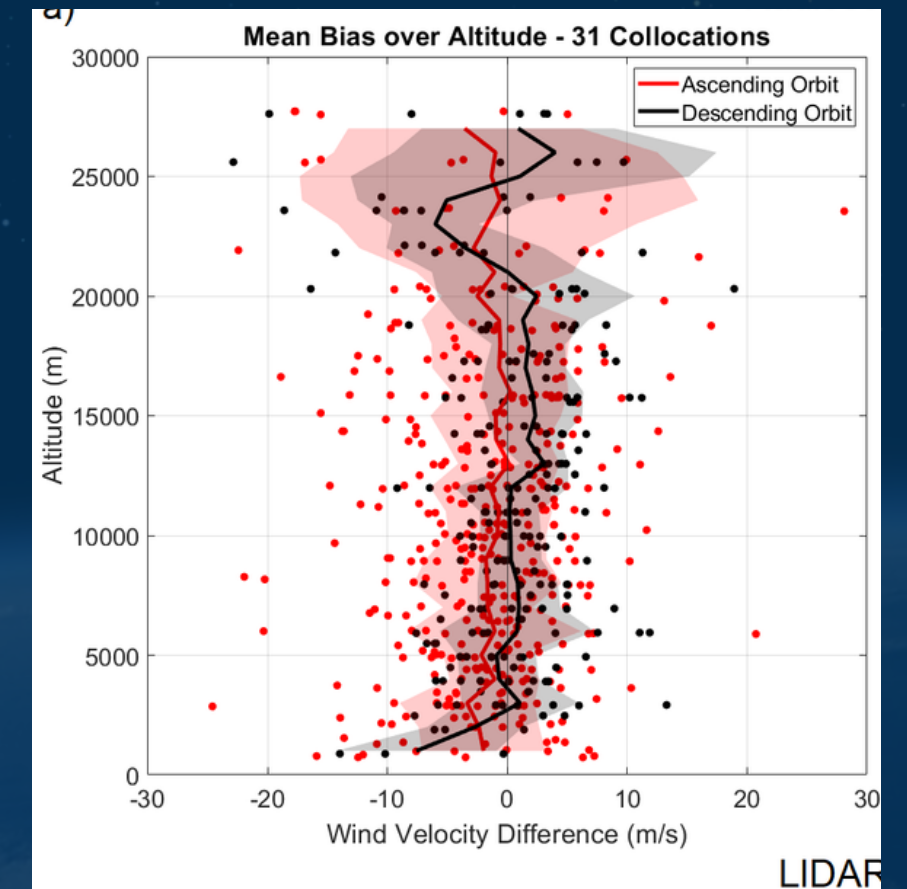
Increase of random error in the higher bins

Nominal range for comparisons is <22km

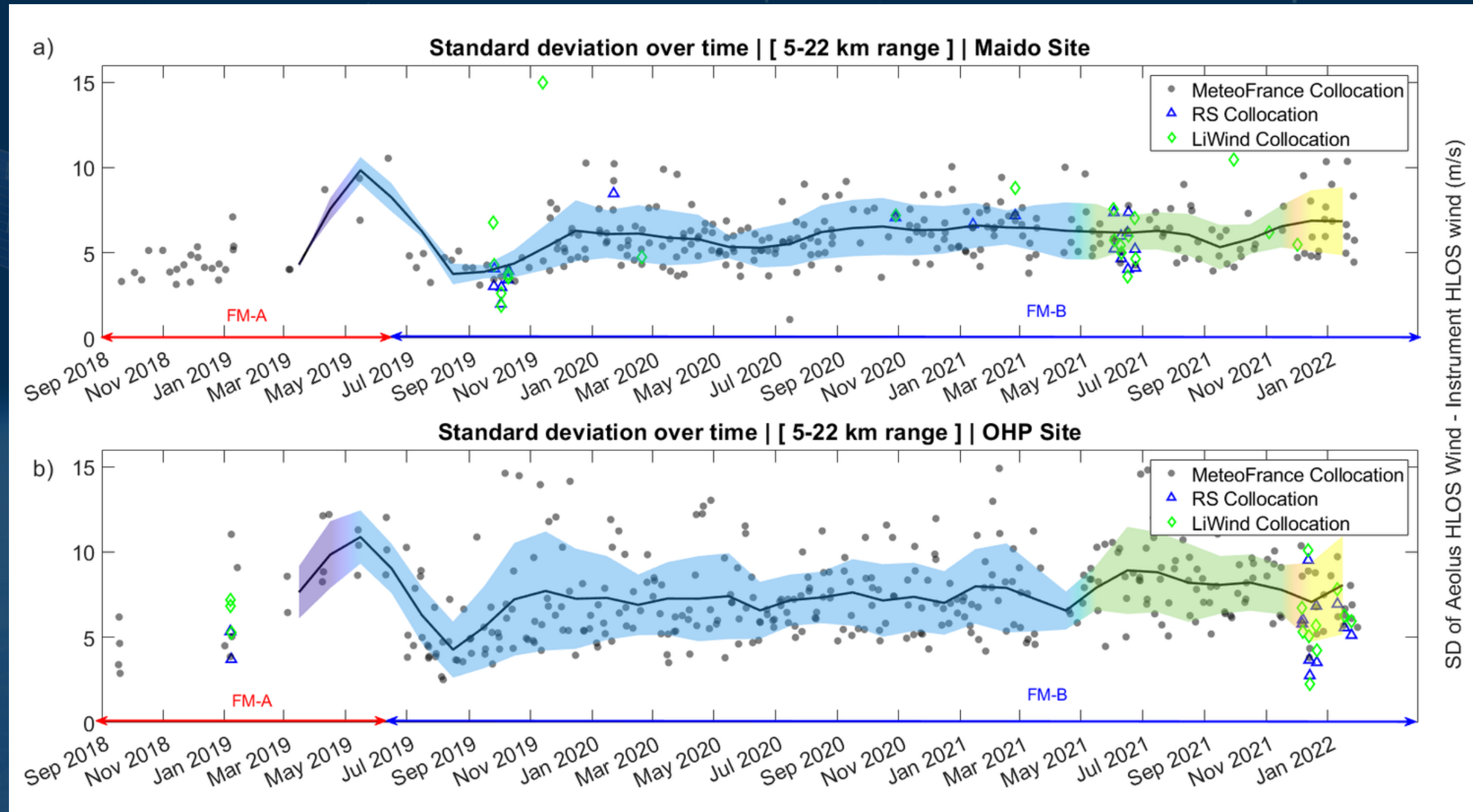
More distant collocations don't have higher biases

MISSION REQUIREMENTS

	Mission Requirement limits (ms ⁻¹)	Radiosonde (ms ⁻¹)	Lidar (ms ⁻¹)
Bias	0.7	-0.79	-0.92
SD 2-16 km	2.5	5.04	5.69
SD 16-20 km	3	4.93	5.59
SD 20-30 km	5	9.19	9.41



LONG TERM VALIDATION



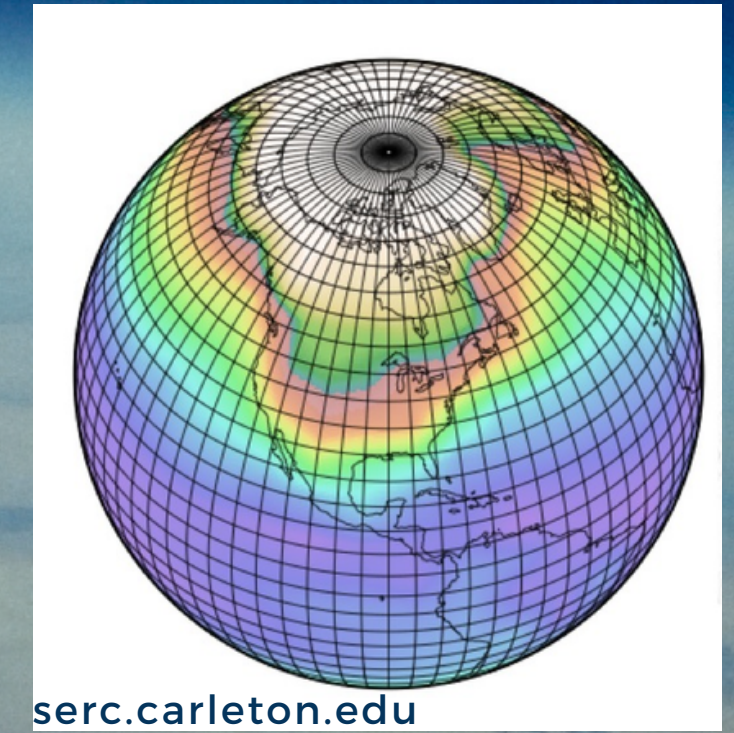
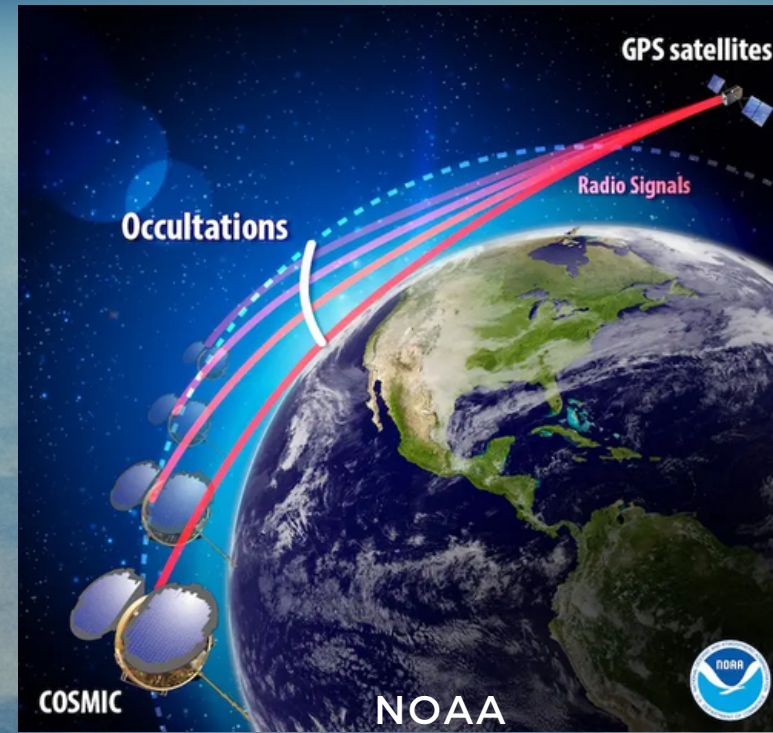
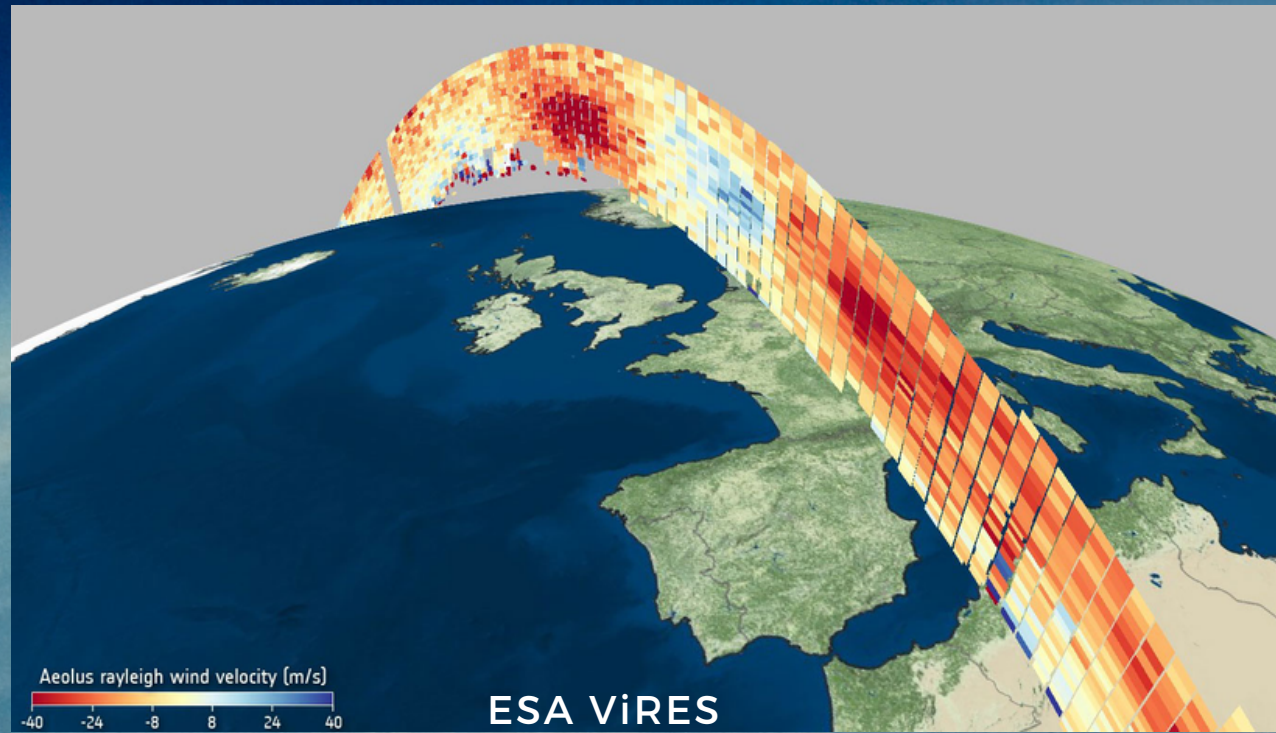
Ratynski et al., AMT 2023

Laser degradation leads to an increase in the random error

AEOLUS

GNSS-RO

ERA 5



Wind profiles

Temperature profiles

Wind & Temperature profiles

1 km Vertical Resolution

~100m Vertical Resolution

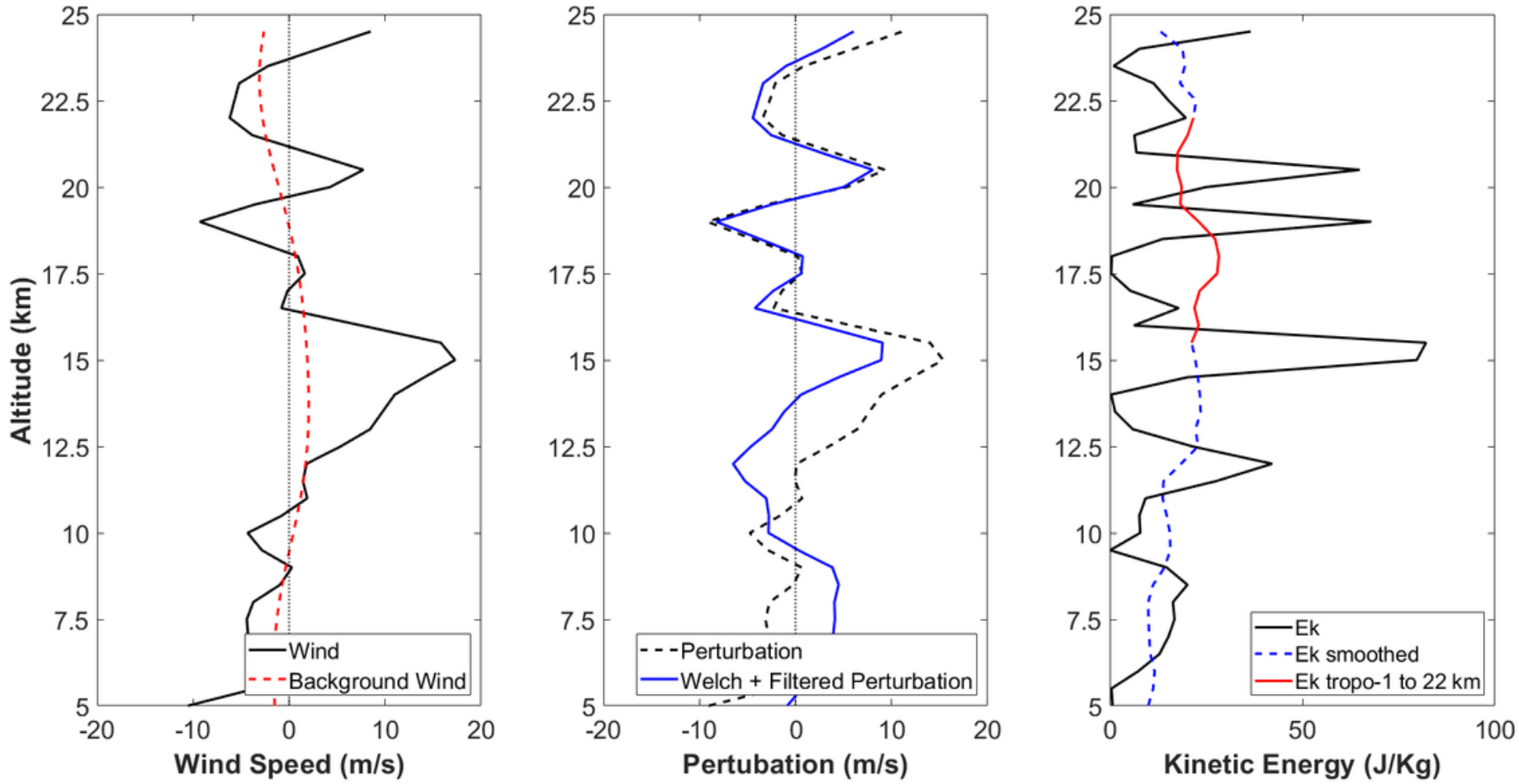
500m Vertical Resolution

Limited assimilation by ERA5

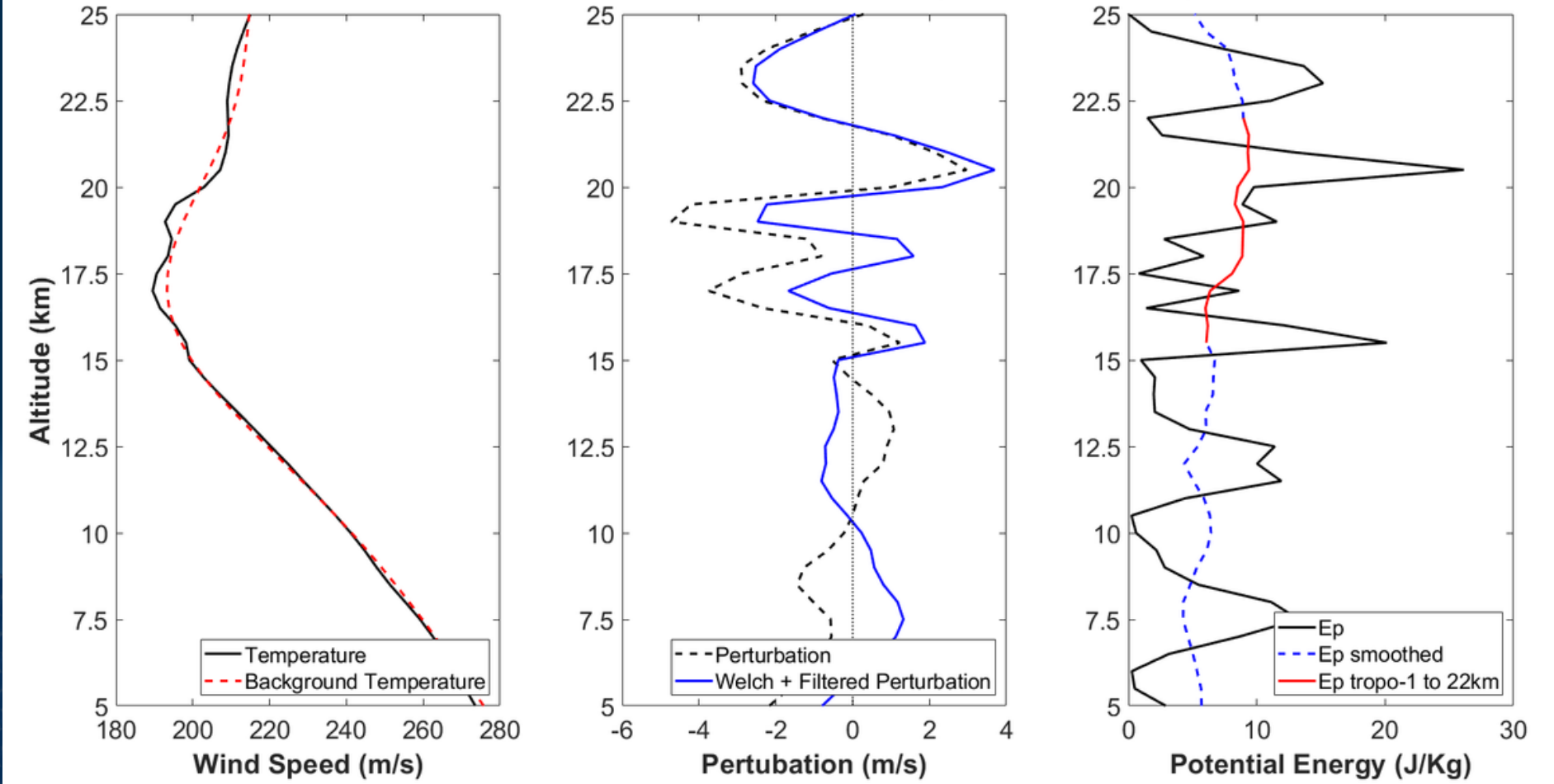
High assimilation by ERA5

Infers wind from thermal information

GW Ek retrieval method on wind profile | 4° S 102° E | 10-Feb-2021



GW Ep retrieval method on temperature profile | 4° S 102° E | 11-Feb-2021



Kinetic Energy

$$K_e = \frac{1}{2} \left[\overline{u'^2} + \overline{v'^2} \right]$$

$$K_{e\ HLOS} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\overline{U'^2_{HLOS}} \right]$$

Initial retrieval of the background
5° Lat x 20° Lon x 7 days

Filtering of the perturbation

Retrieval between 22 km and tropopause -1 km

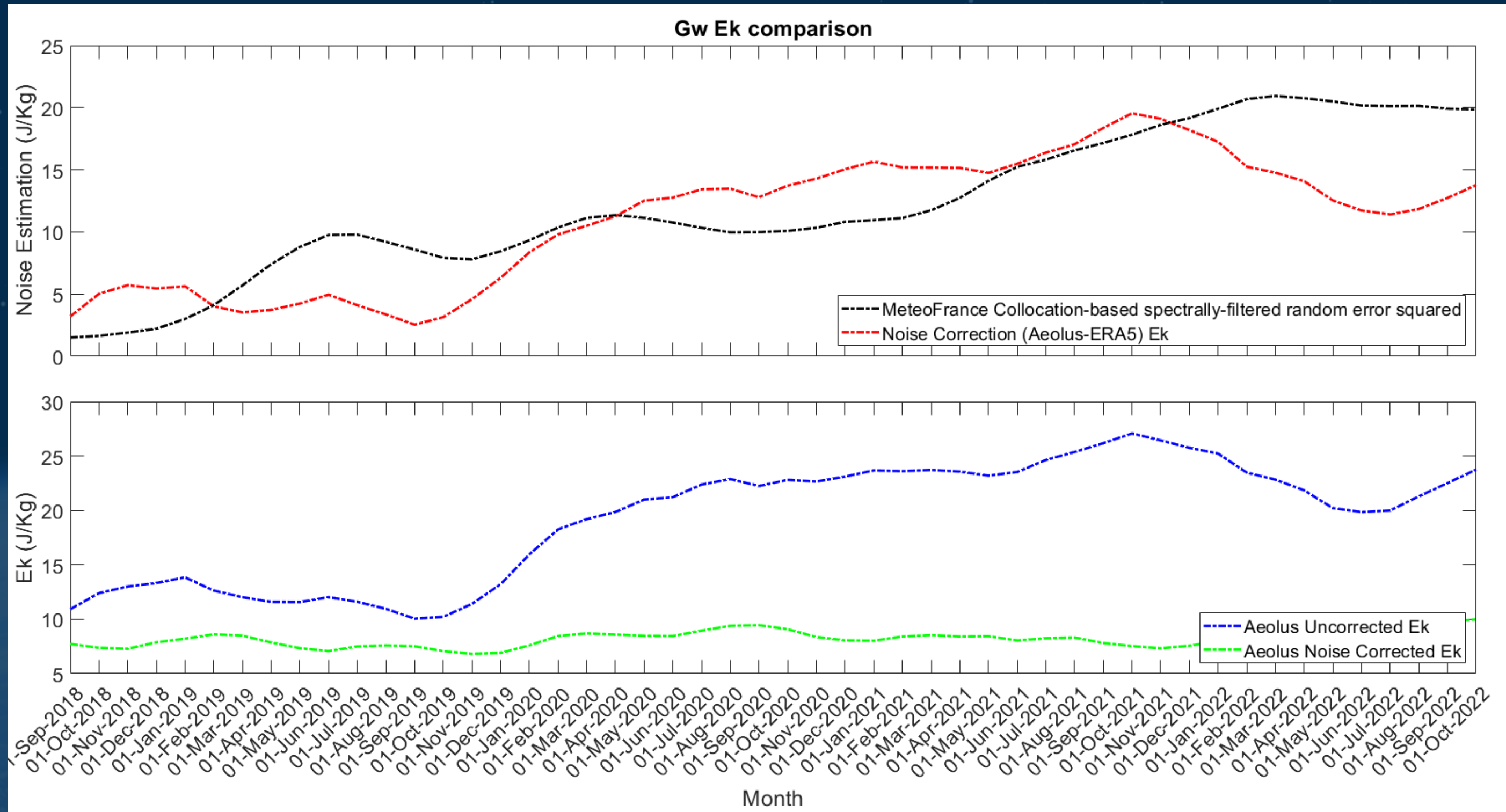
Potential Energy

$$E_p = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{g}{N} \right)^2 \left(\frac{T'}{\bar{T}} \right)^2$$

Filters out Kelvin and Rossby waves

HLOS involves both components at the same time

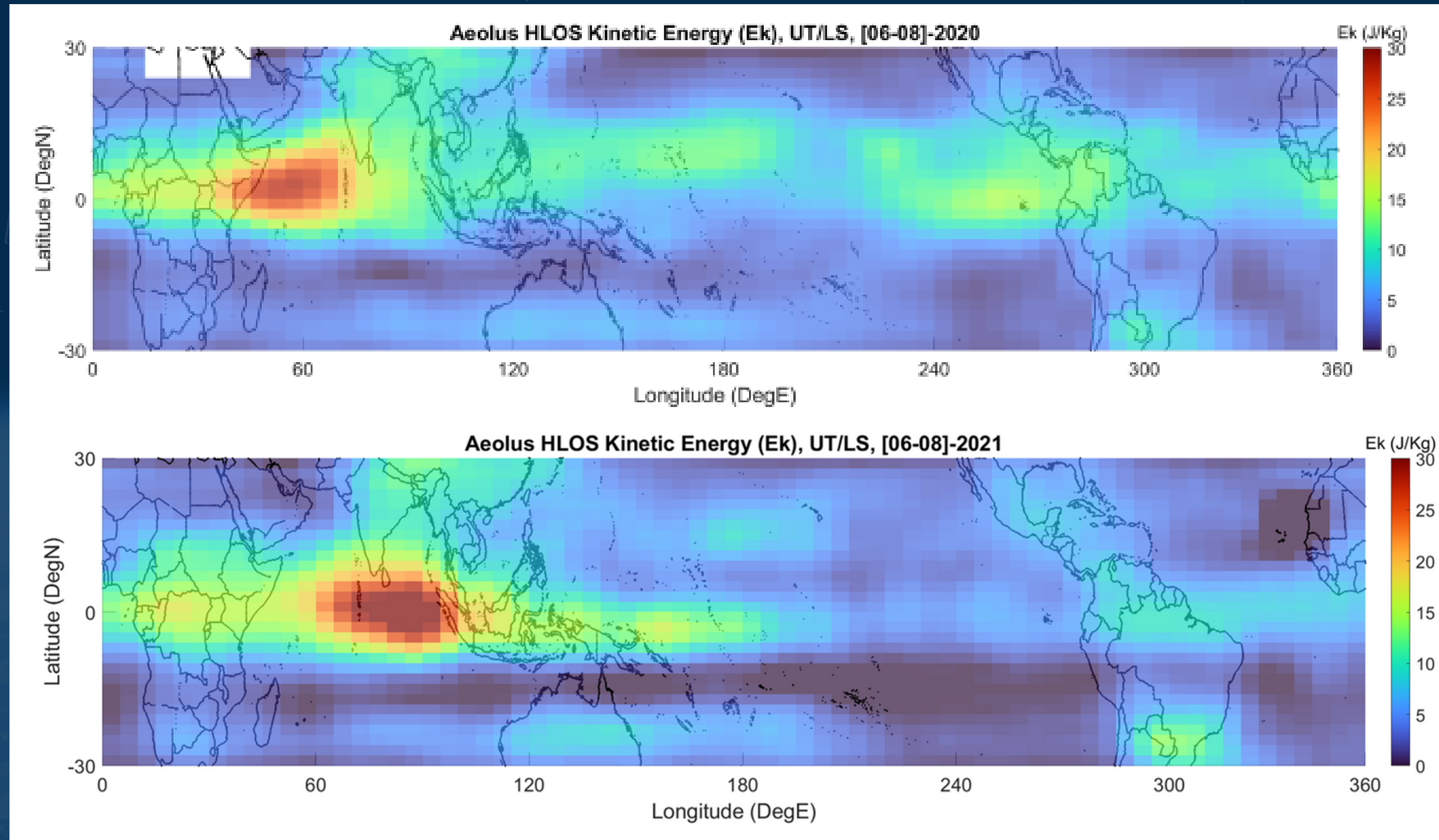
NOISE CORRECTION



Two ways of removing noise: ERA5 or Radiosondes

ERA5 is global and has less geophysical biases

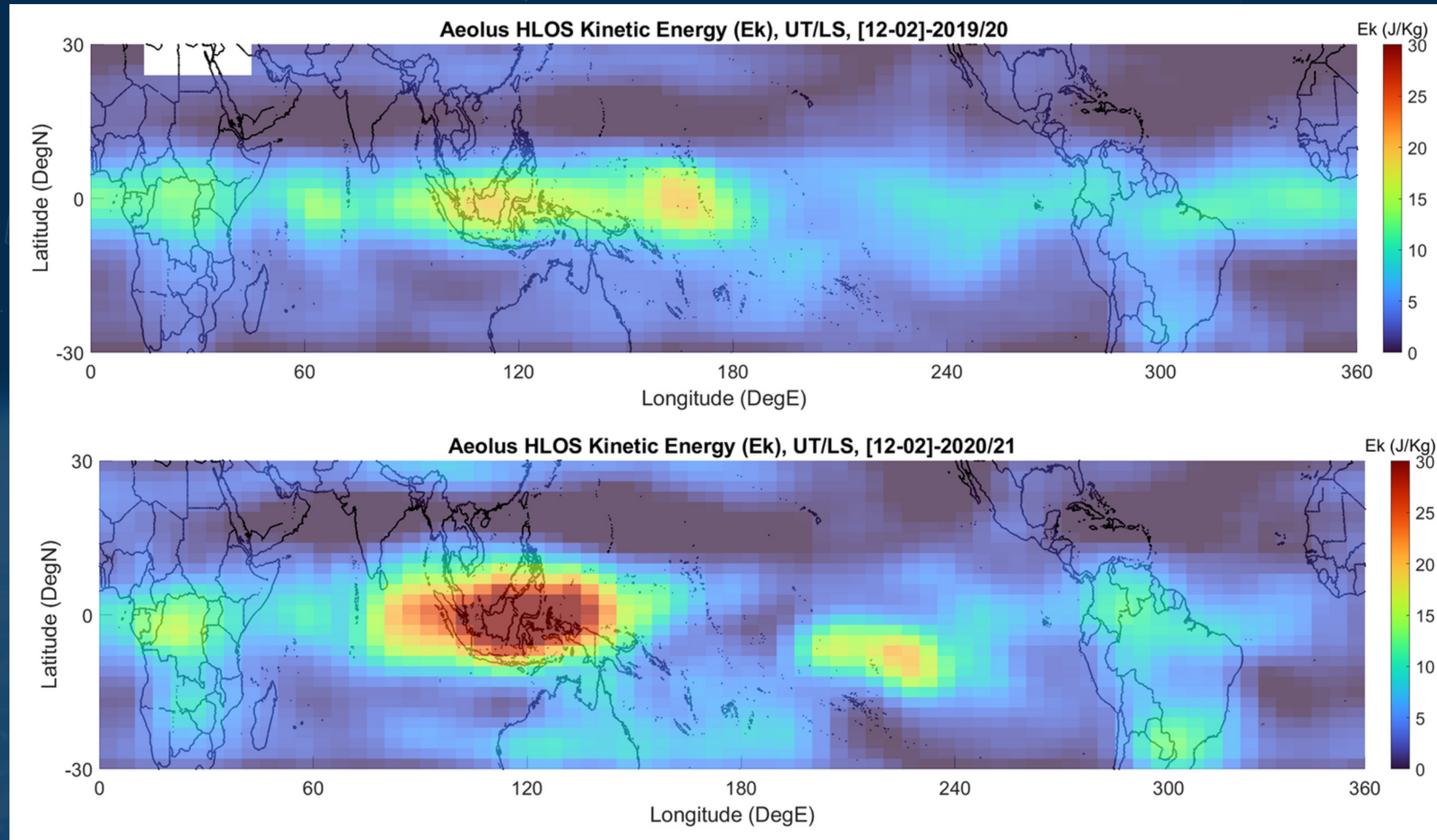
BOREAL SUMMER



Consistent structures over the same season

An axial symmetry is seen between two opposite seasons

AUSTRAL SUMMER



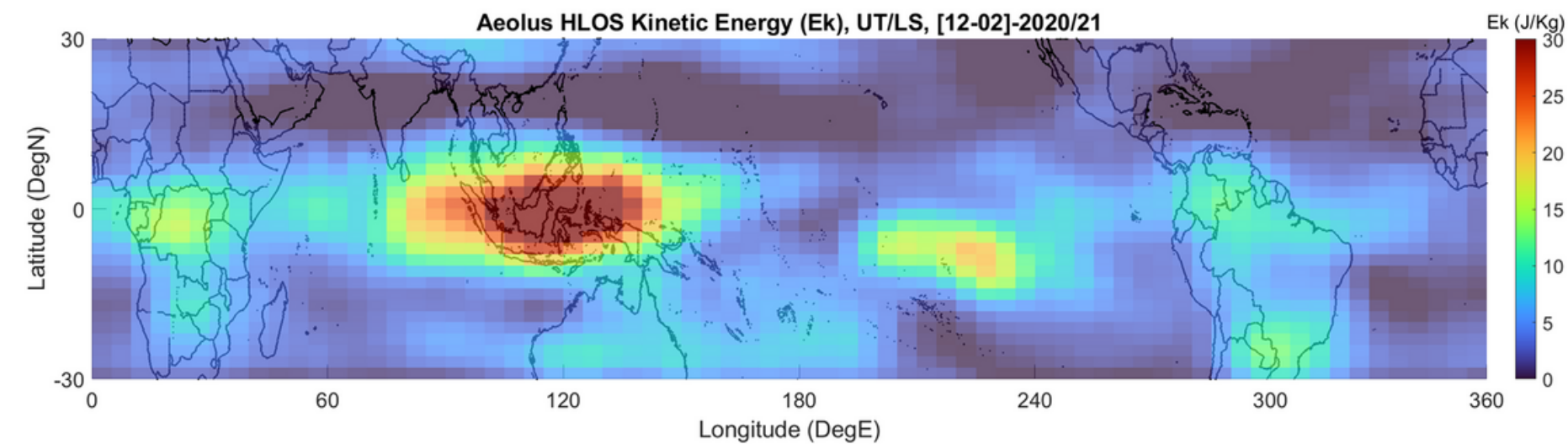
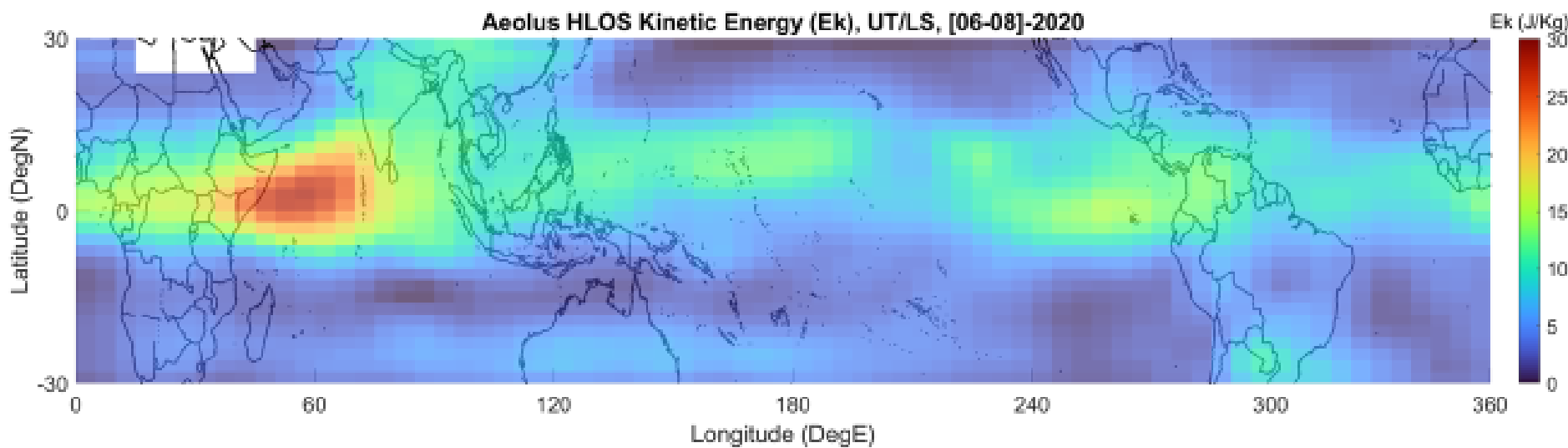
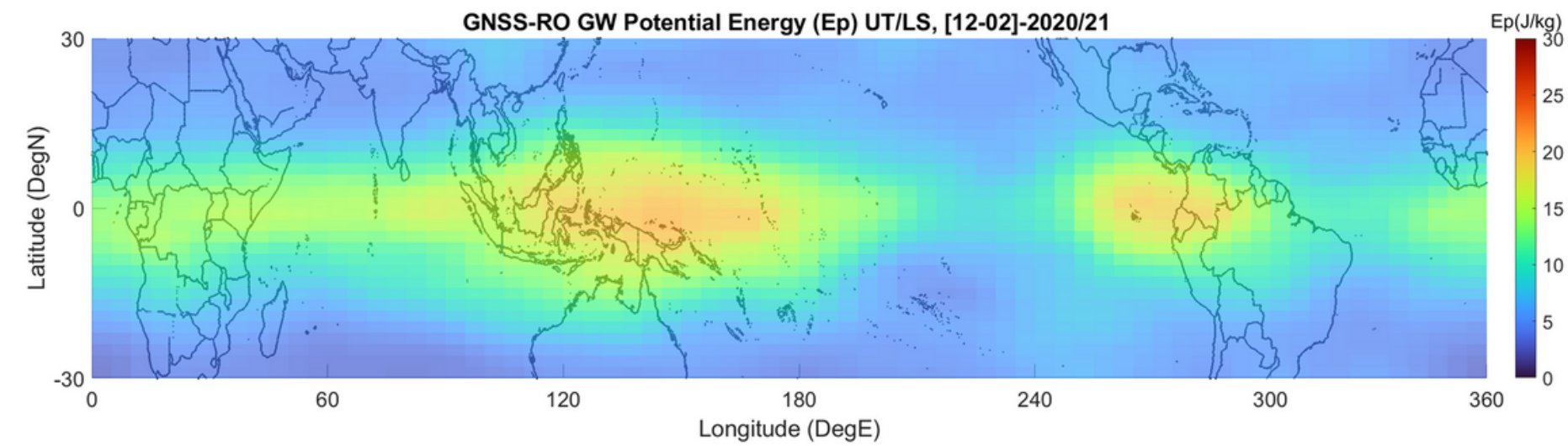
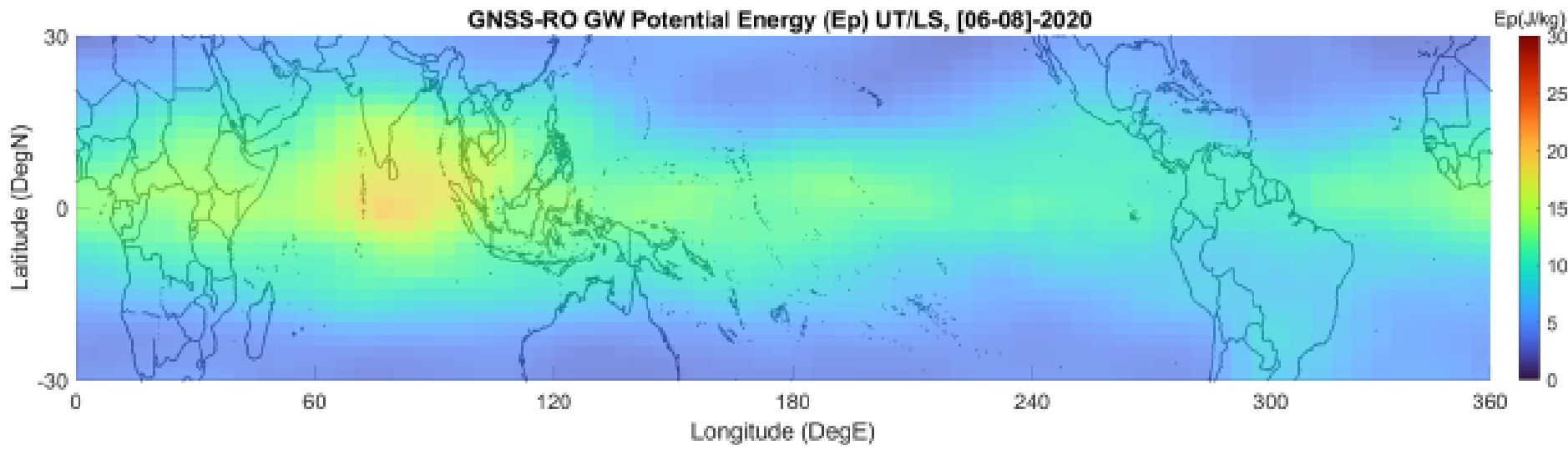
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GNSS-RO COMPARISON

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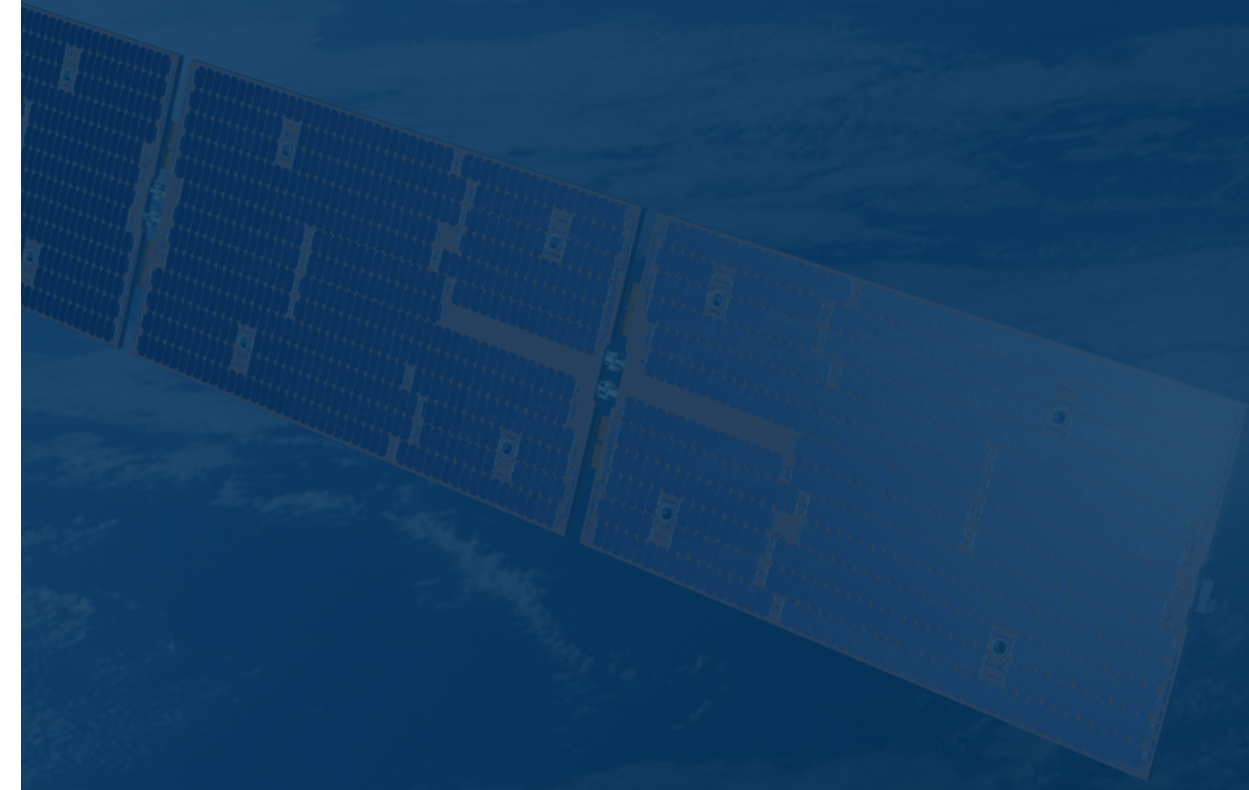
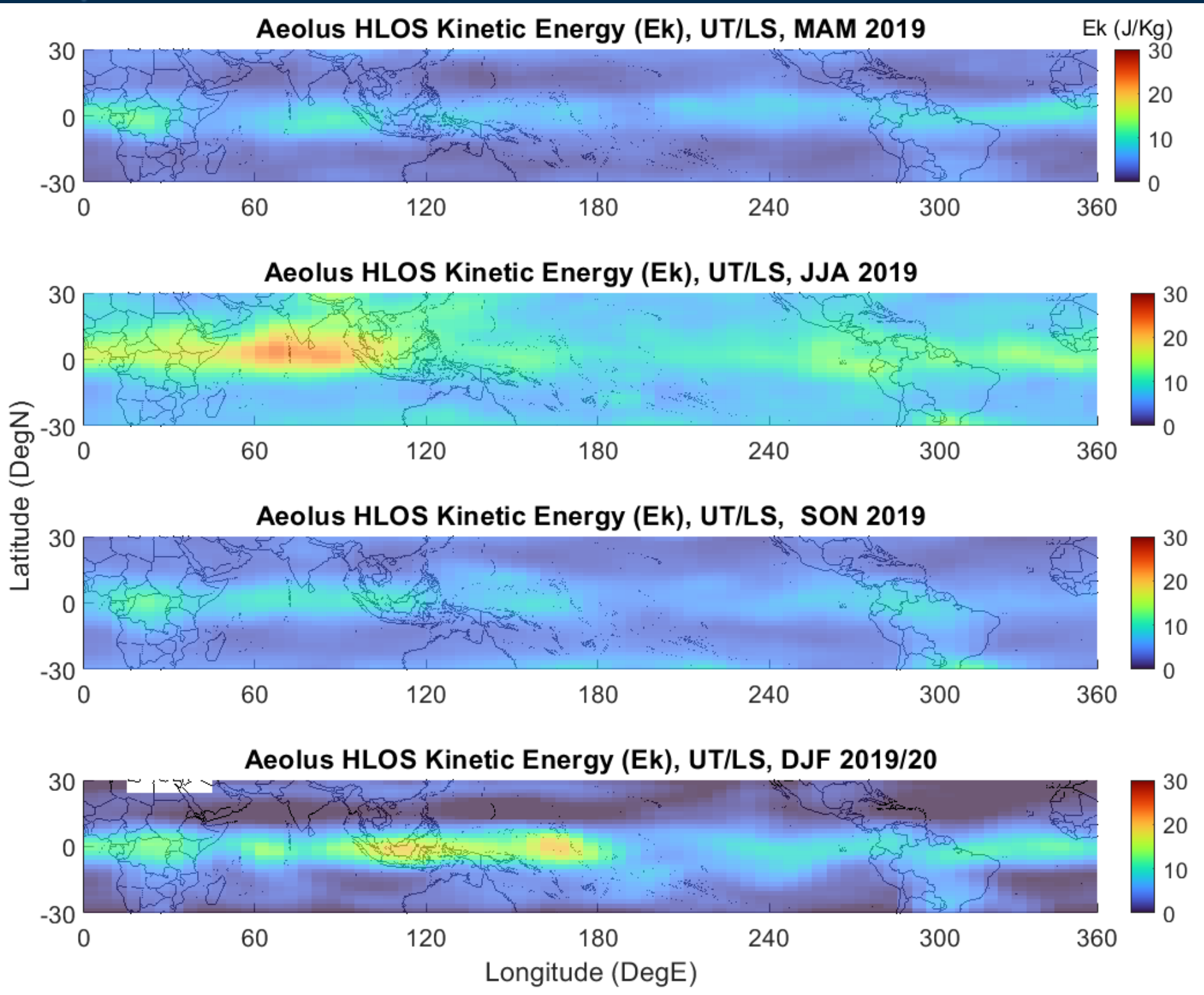
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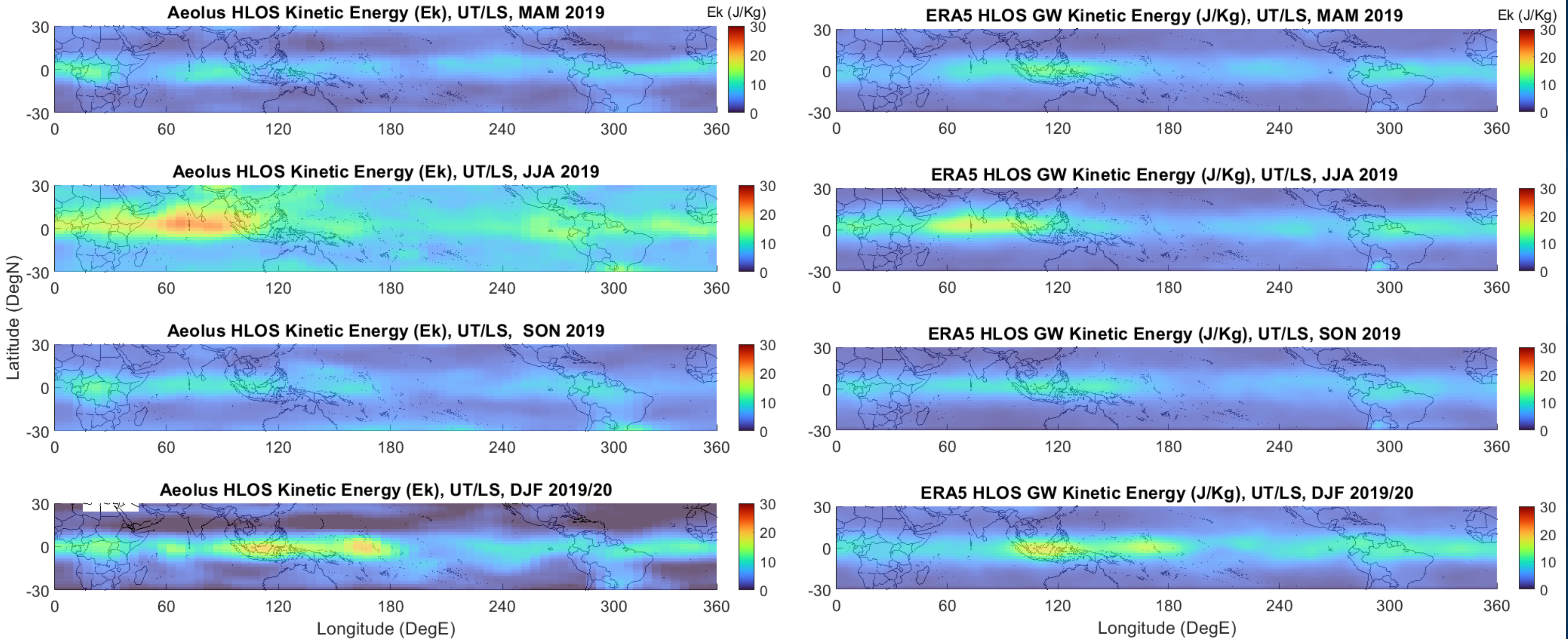
Distributions don't correlate perfectly ($E_k \neq E_p$)

Pattern similarities are limited but hotspots are consistent

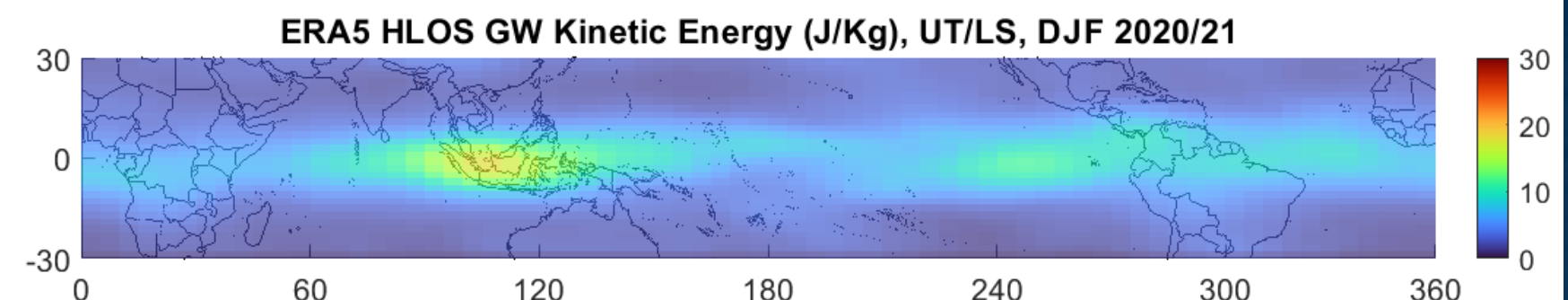
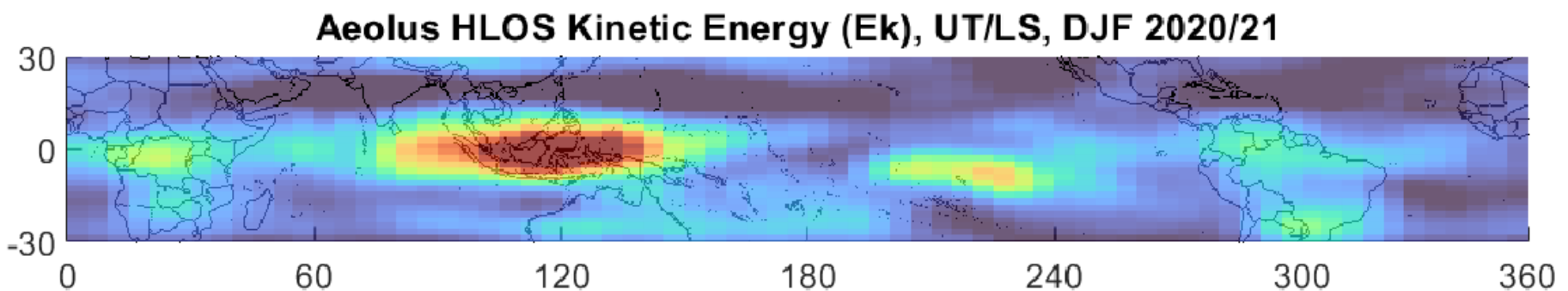
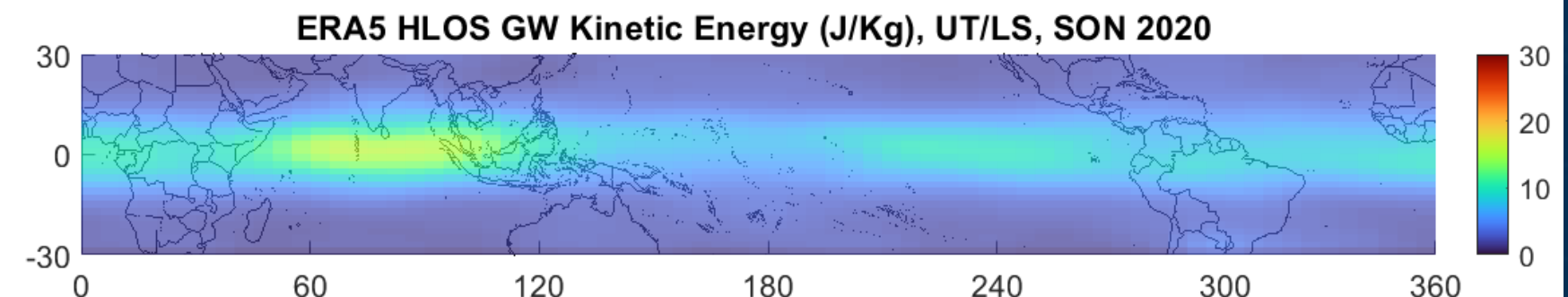
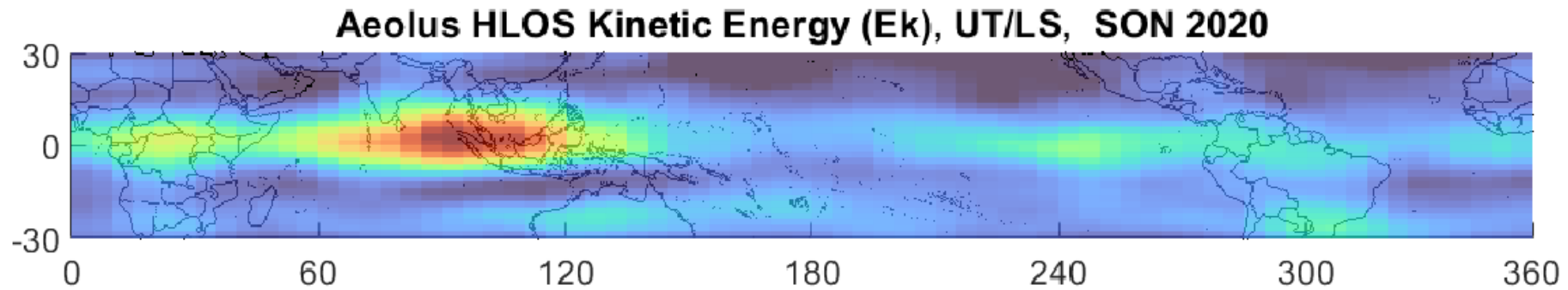
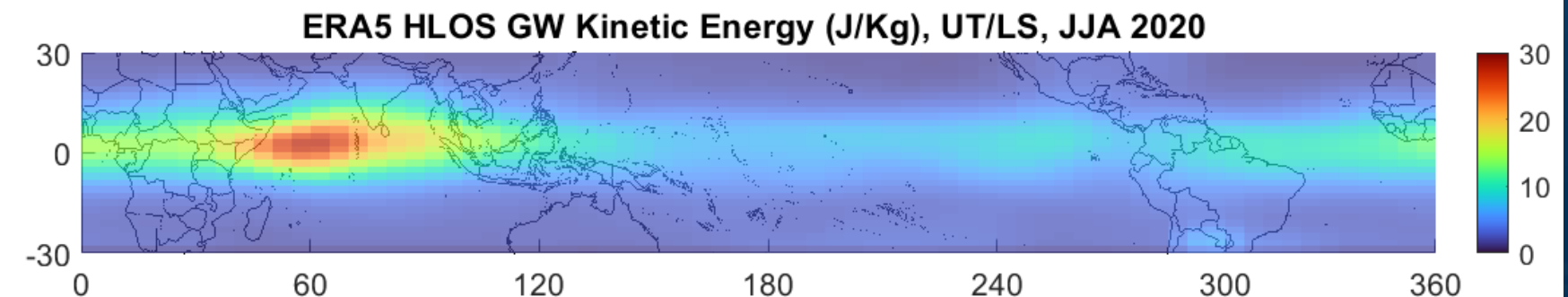
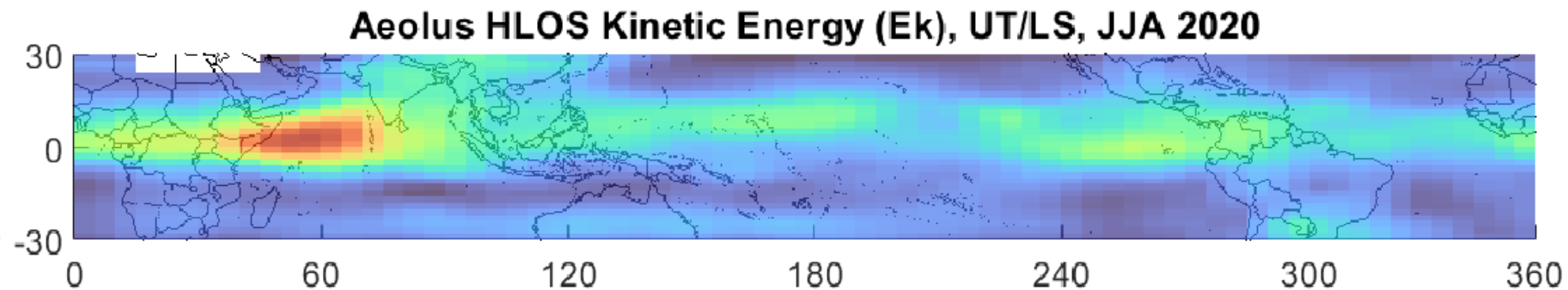
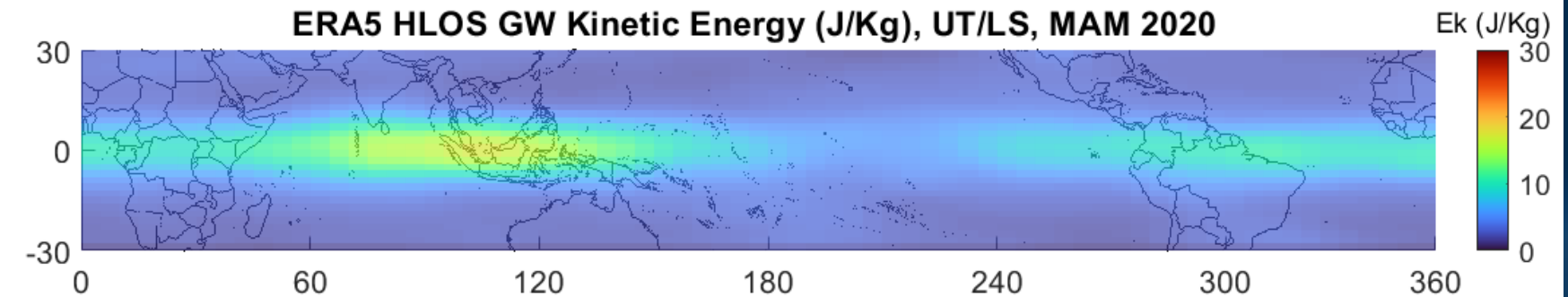
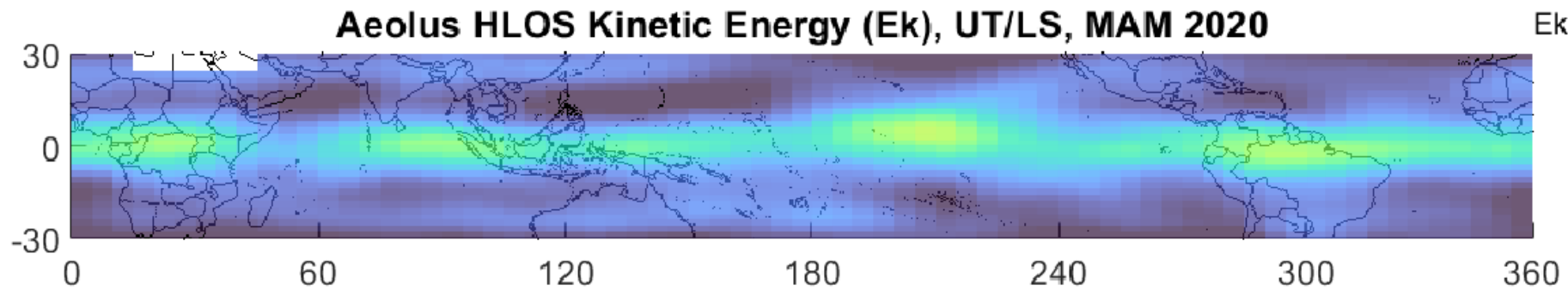
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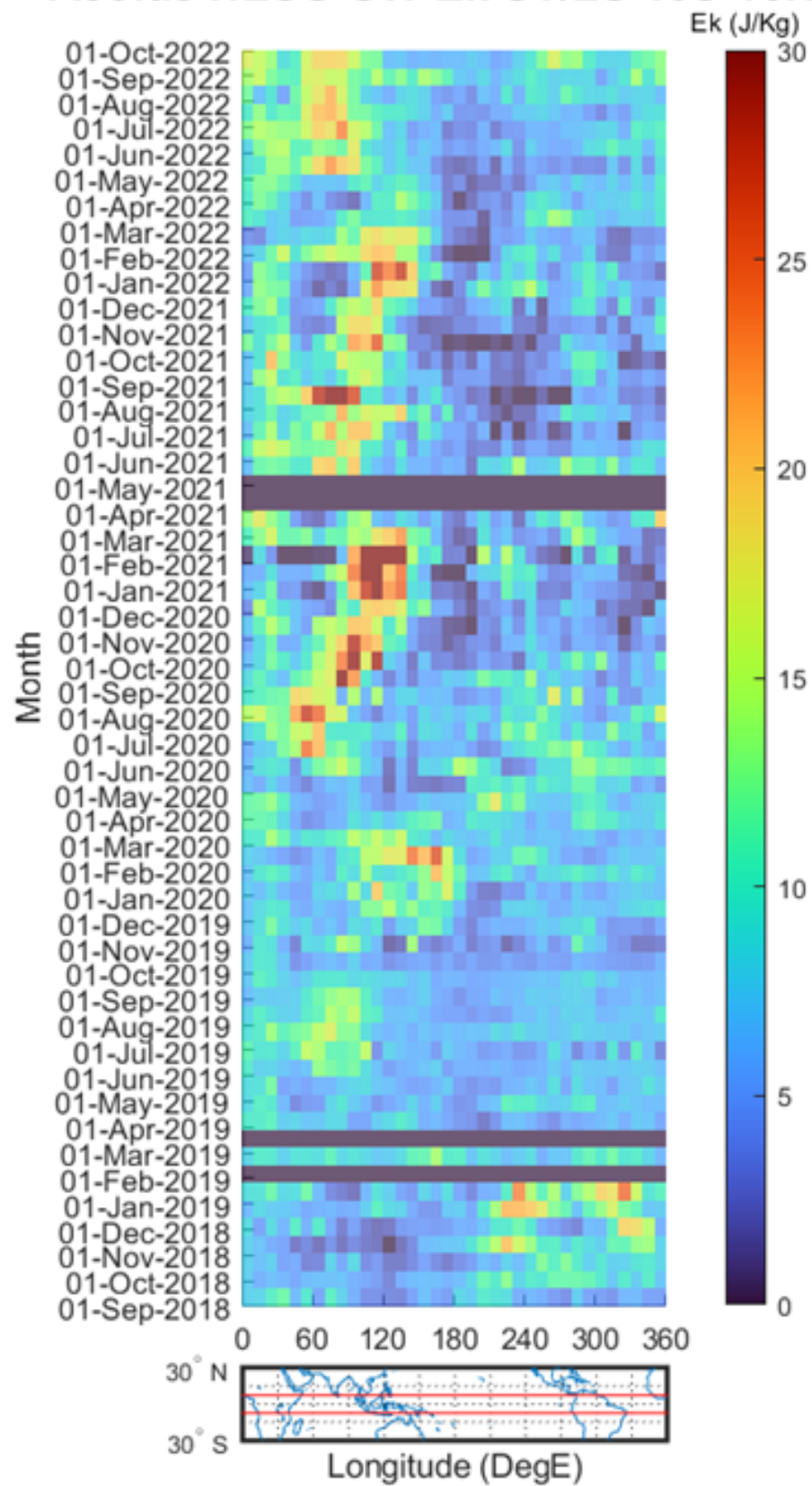
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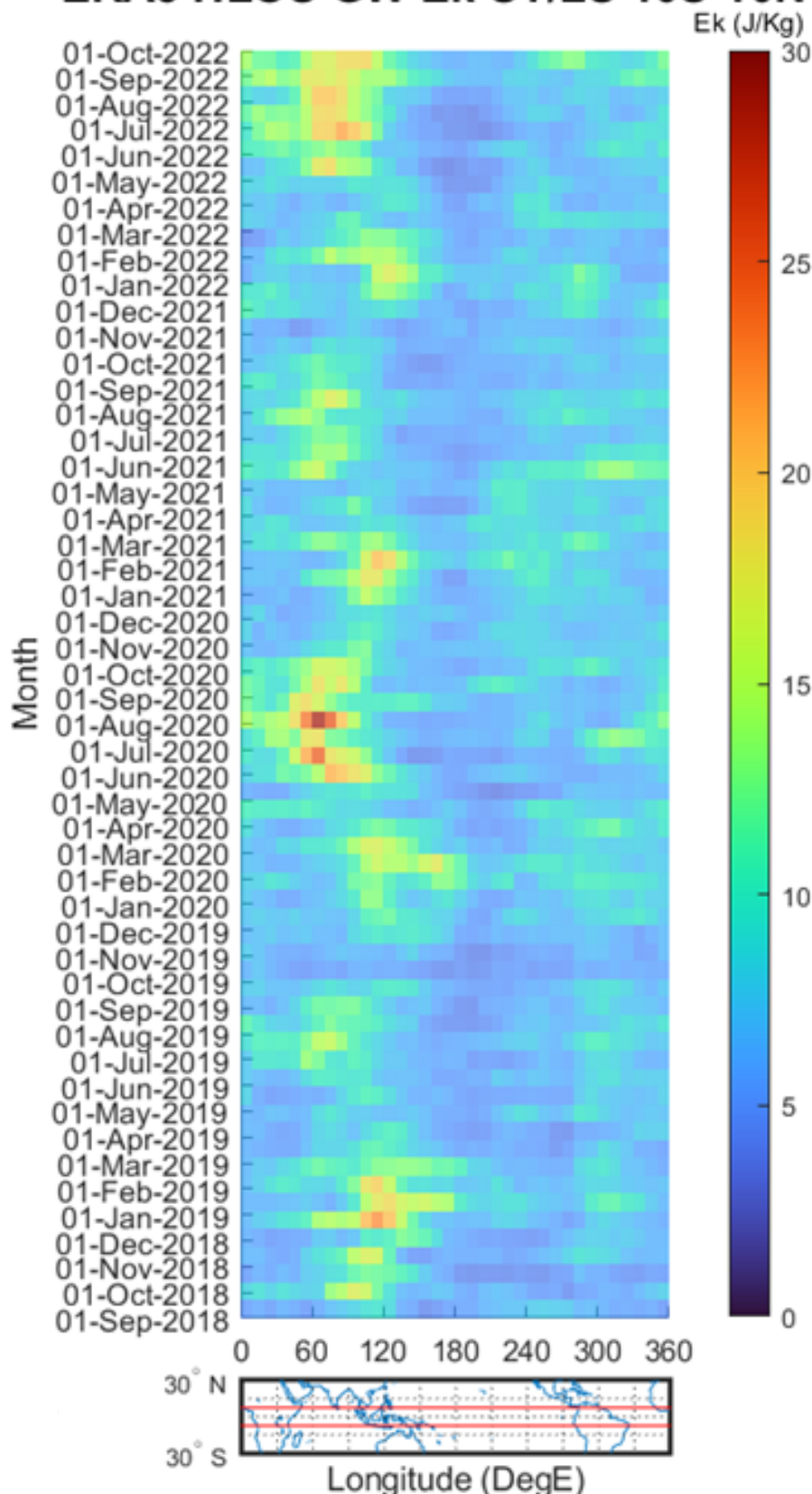
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HOVMOLLER PLOT EK 9 KM

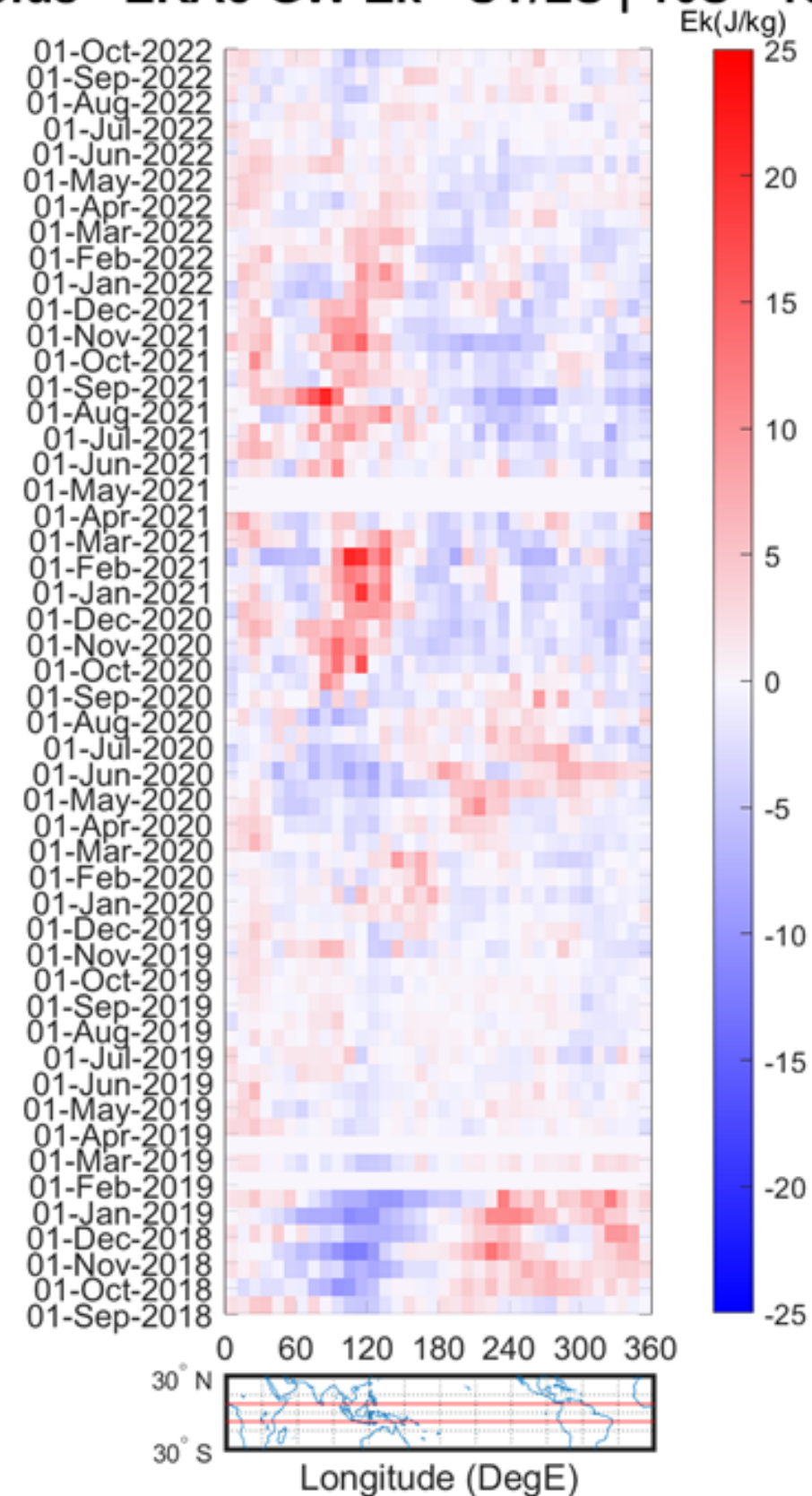
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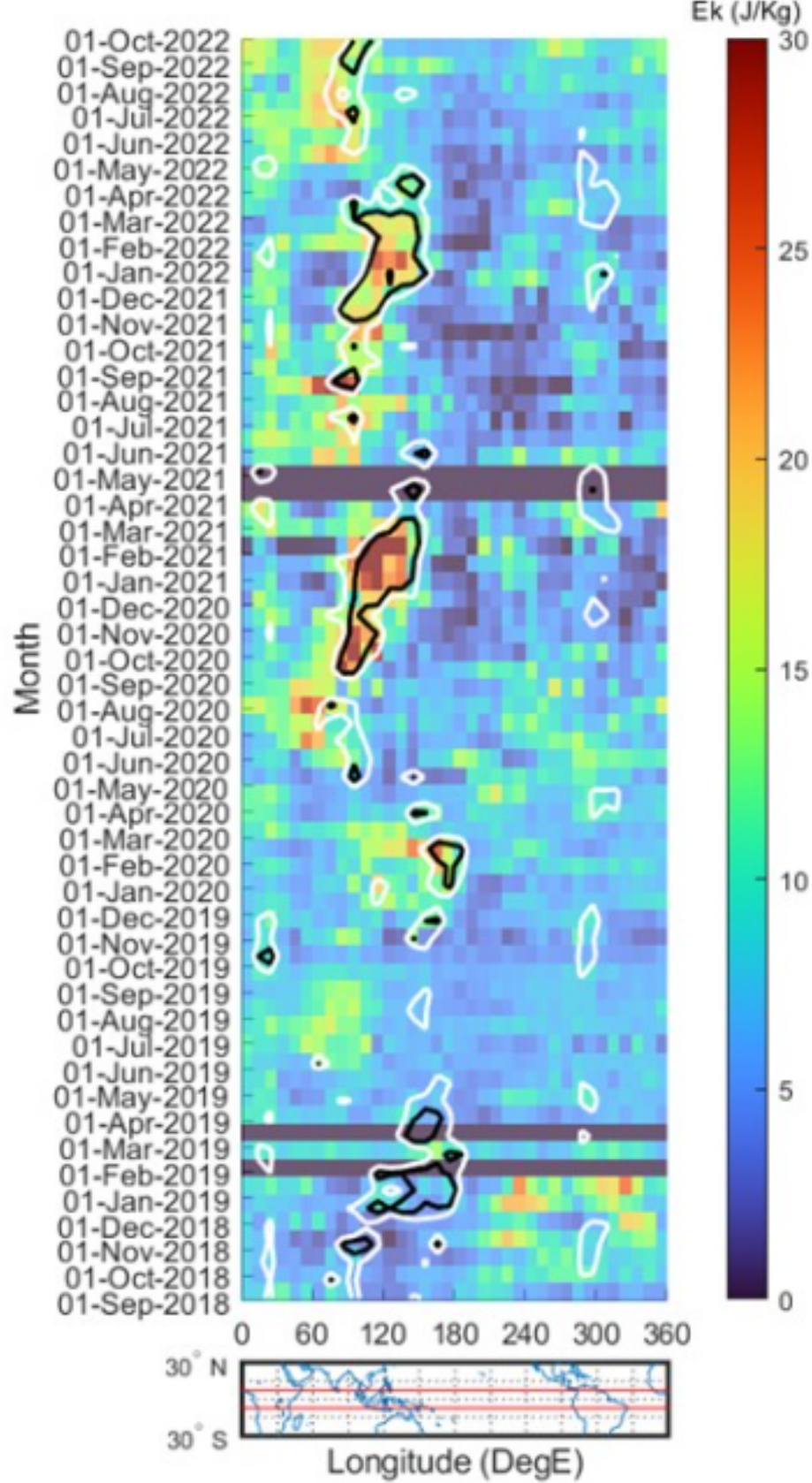
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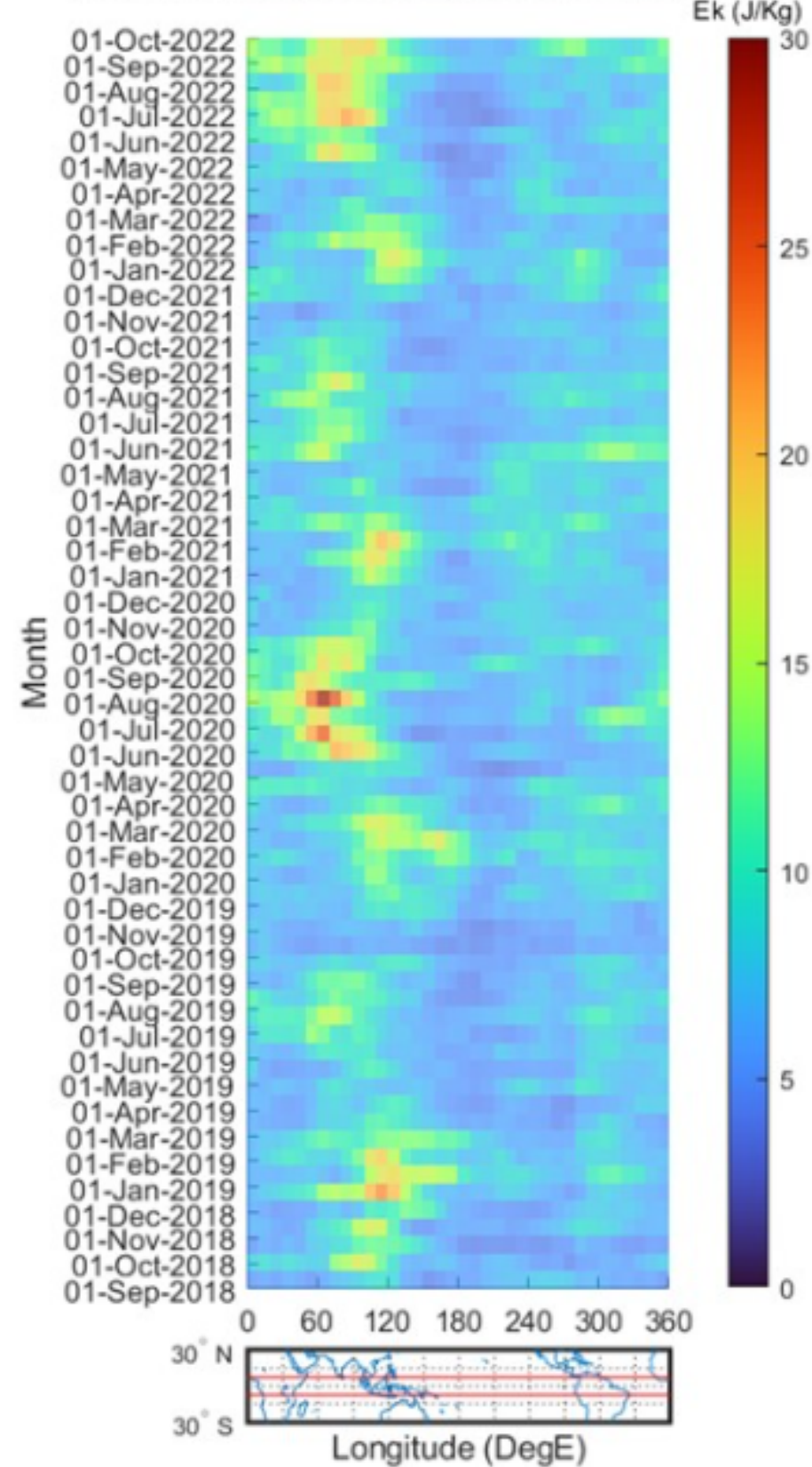
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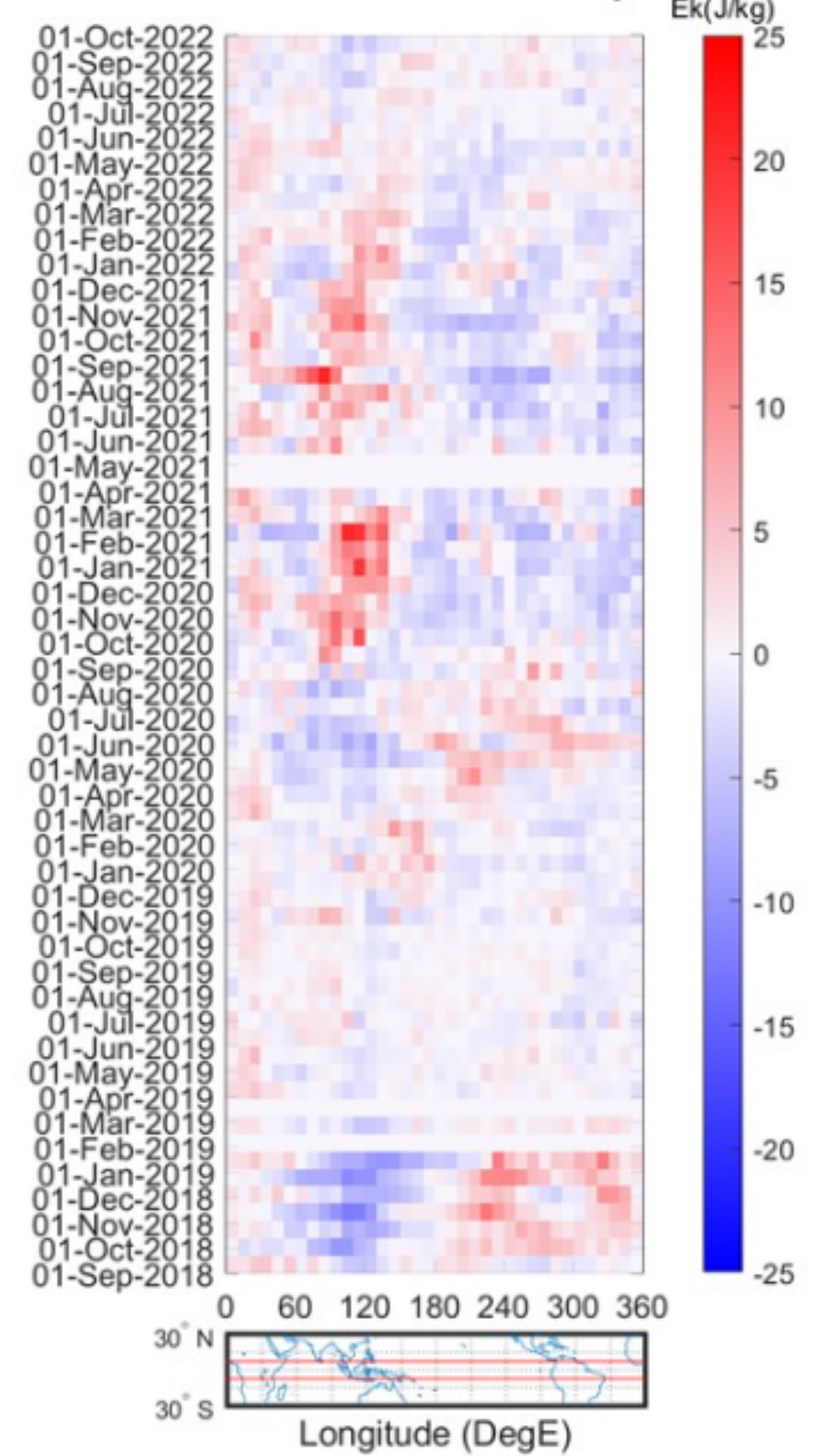
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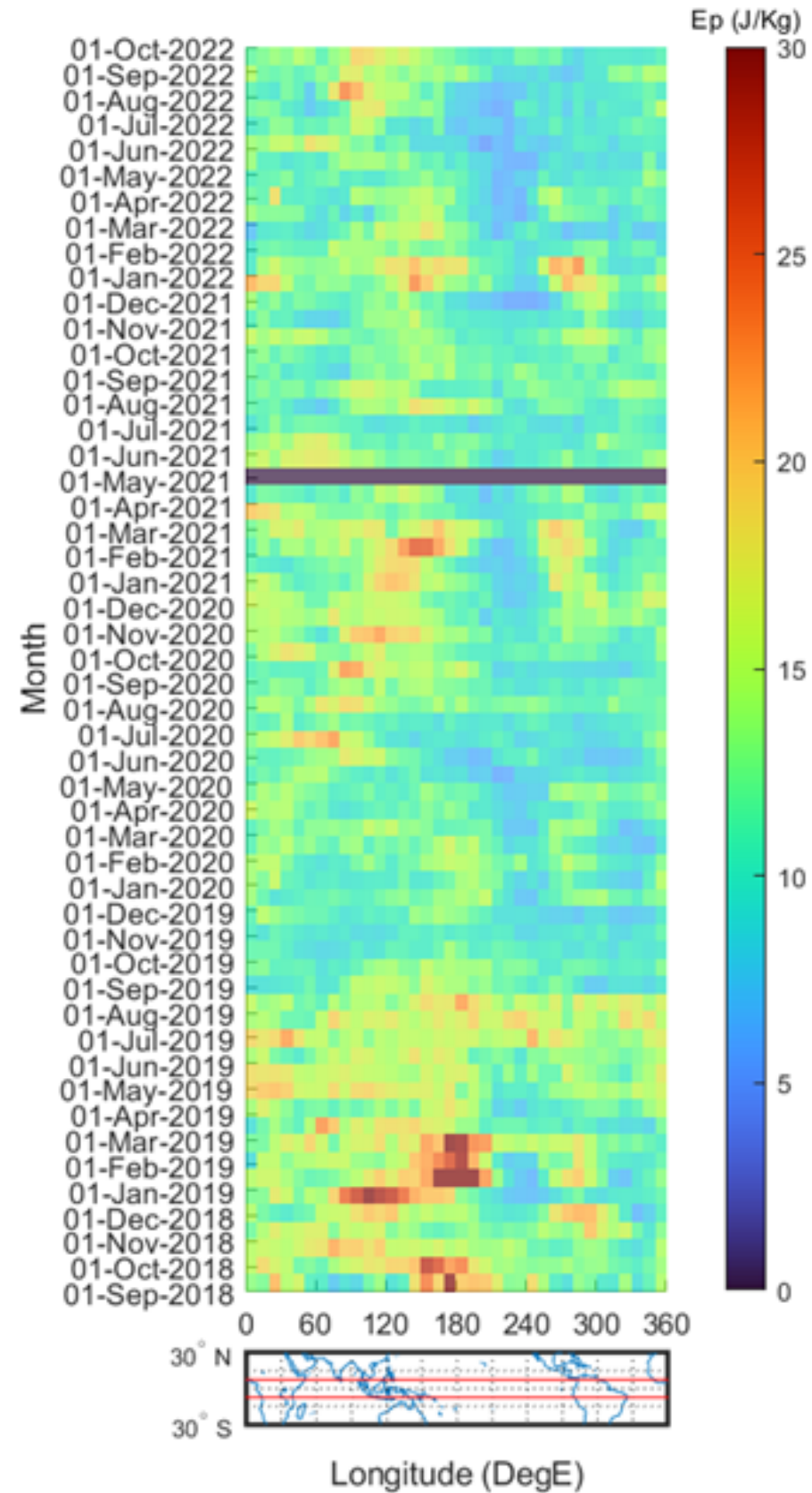


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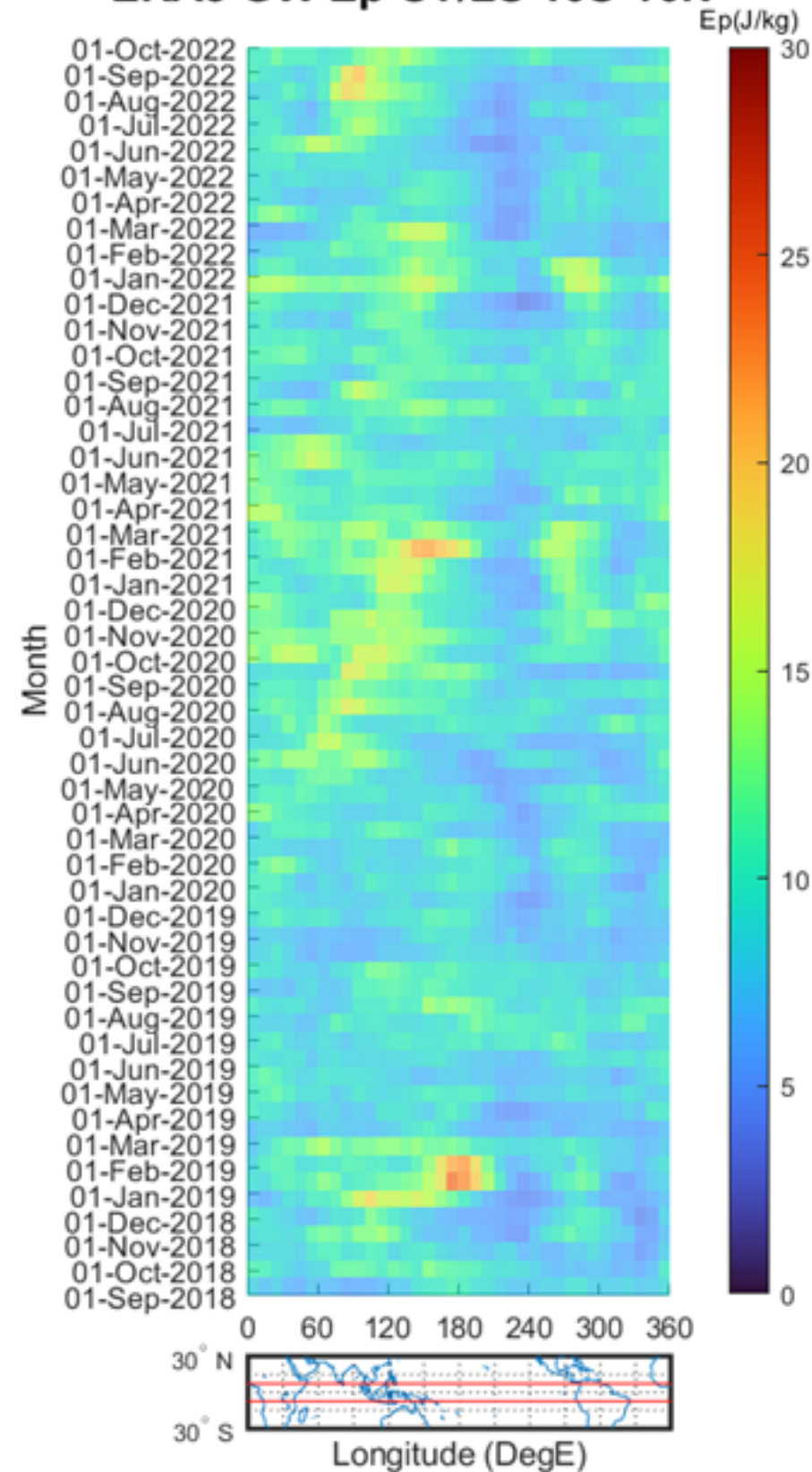


HOVMOLLER PLOT EP 9 KM

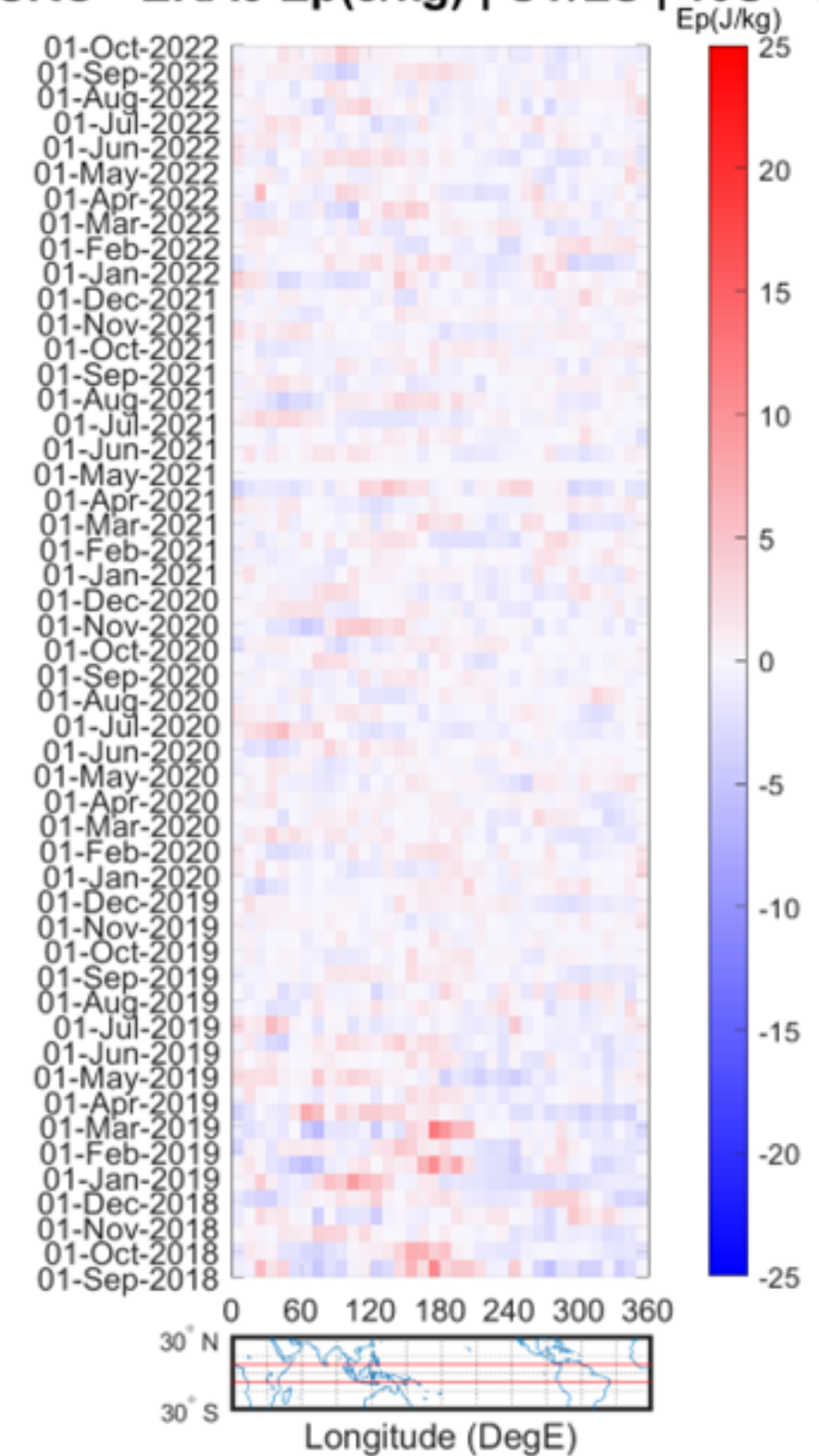
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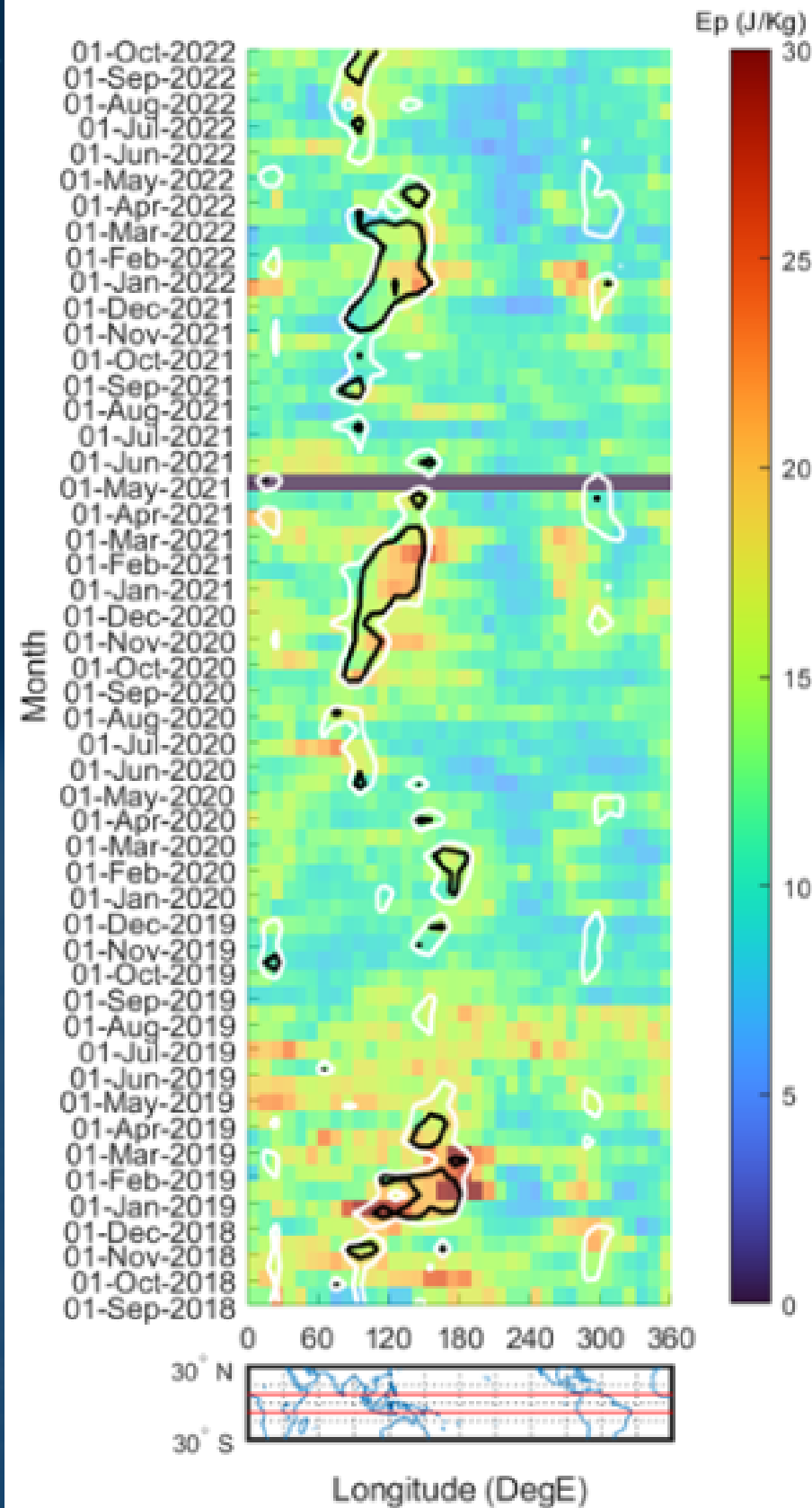
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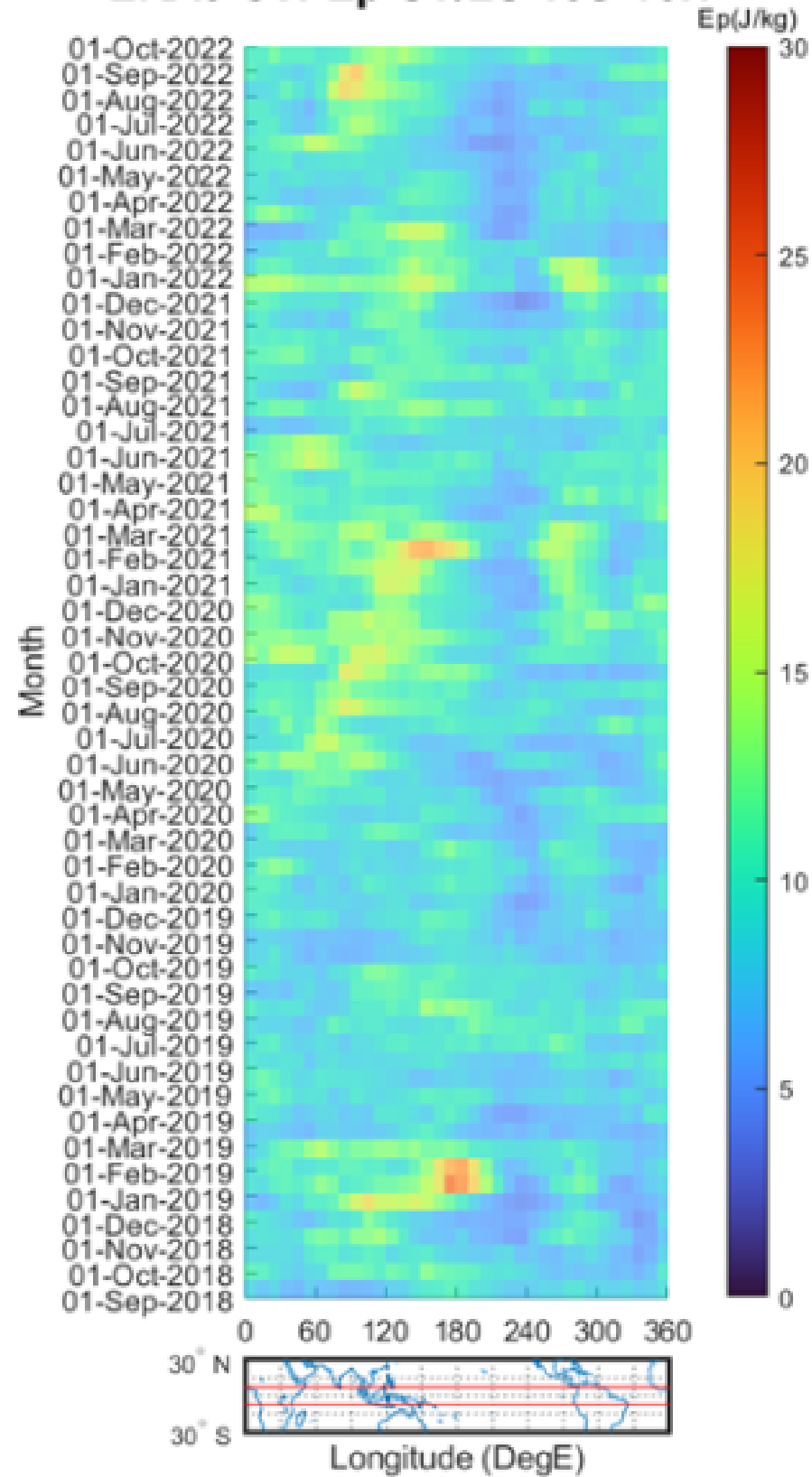
GNSSRO - ERA5 Ep(J/kg) | UT/LS | 10S - 10N



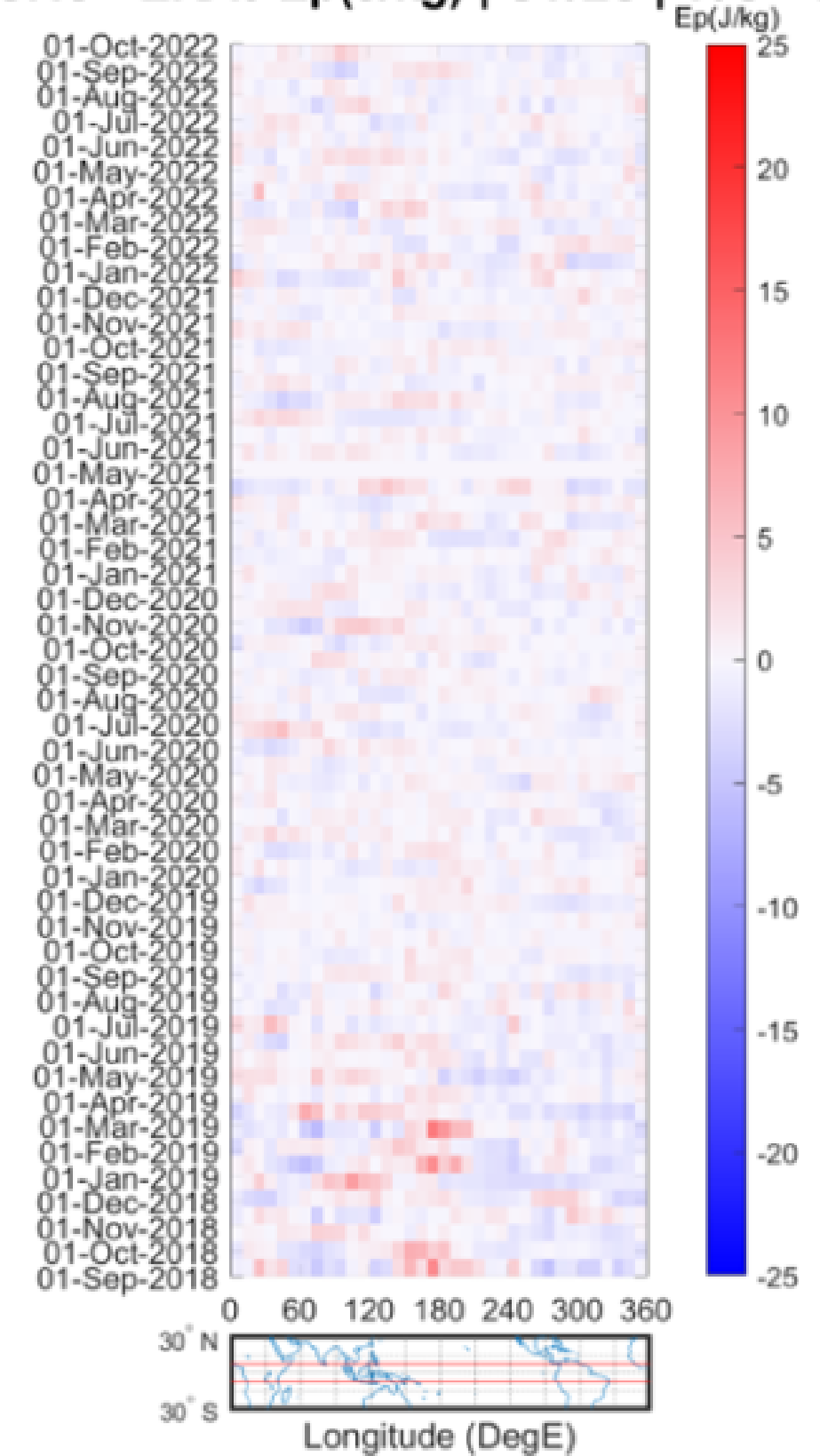
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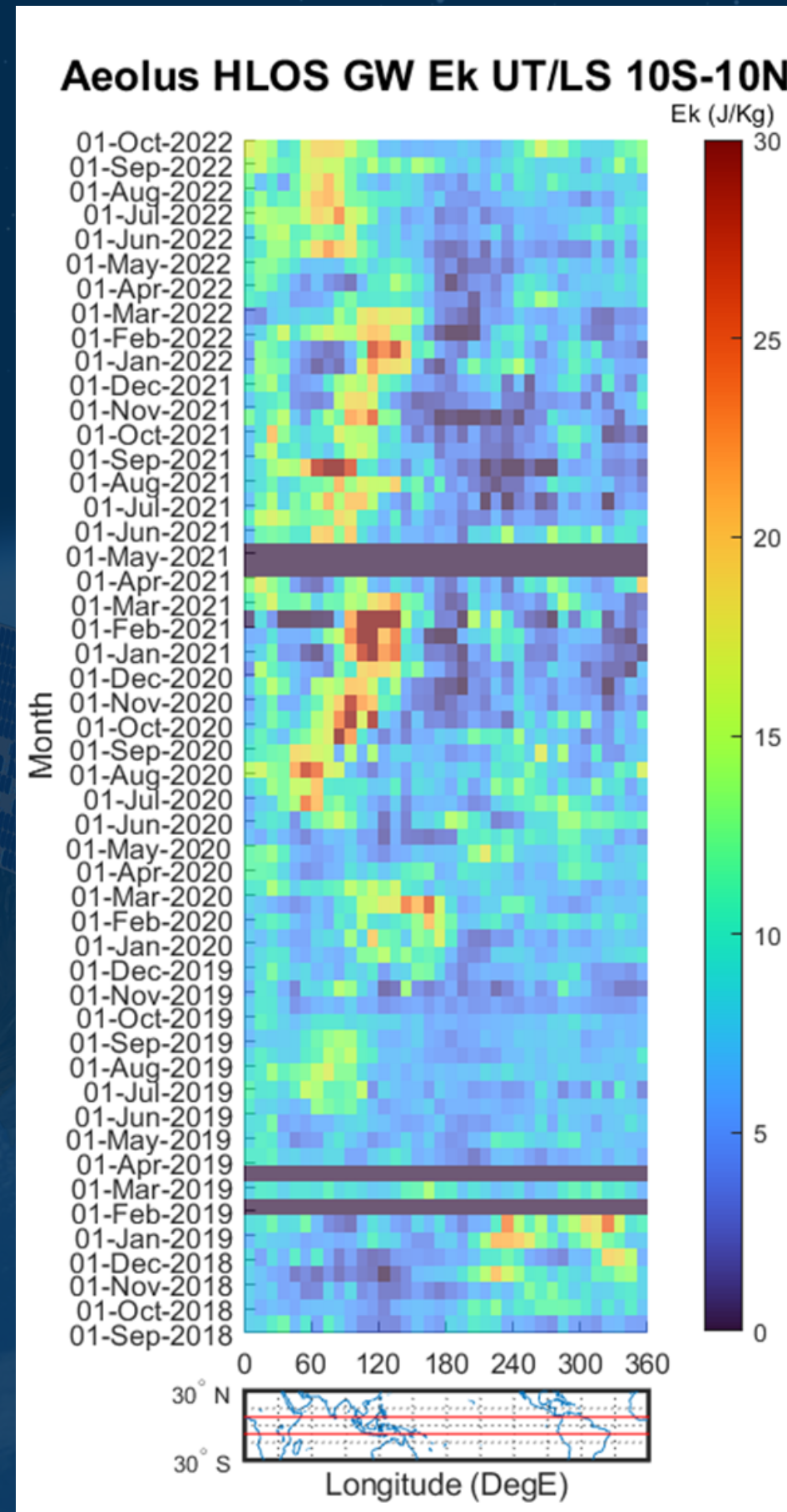
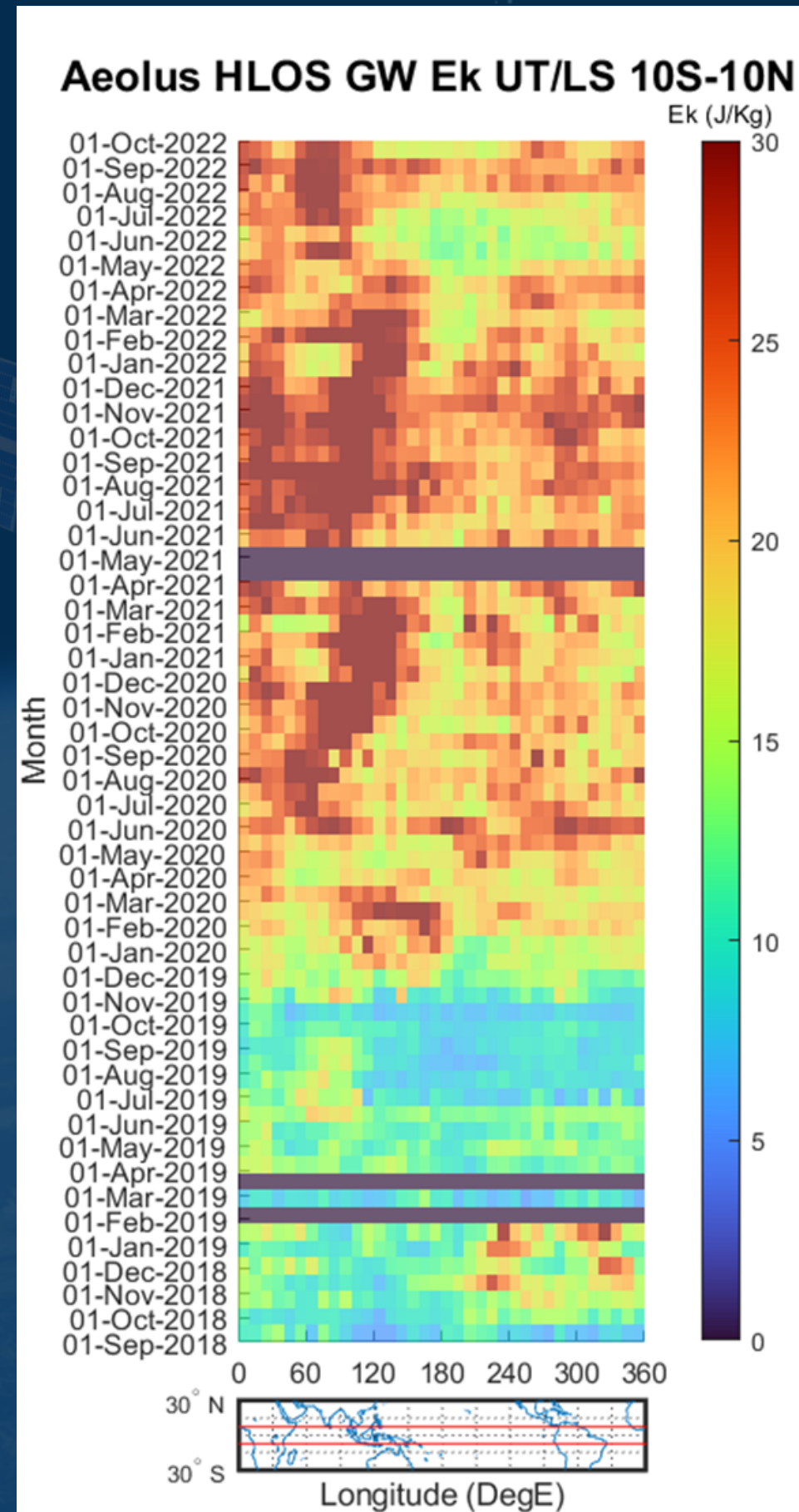


GNSSRO - ERA5 Ep(J/kg) | UT/LS | 10S - 10N



- Use of Aeolus Rayleigh clear channel (clear sky) winds for processing and retrieval of Kinetic Energy from Gravity Waves (Internal and Inertia).
- EK patterns showed by Aeolus are consistent with results from GNSS-RO EP and ERA5 EK and EP.
- The hotspots are primarily linked to convective phenomena, such as the MJO, based on OLR measurements.
- The ERA5 reanalysis model underestimates the EK in regions where convection is higher. This is not the case for EP, as the model assimilates GNSS-RO data.
- Utilizing Aeolus as a new data source to study convection-induced phenomena in poorly assimilated tropical regions, will offer substantial scientific benefits to models

NOISE CORRECTION



The noise correction is made from a zonal mean difference between Aeolus and ERA5

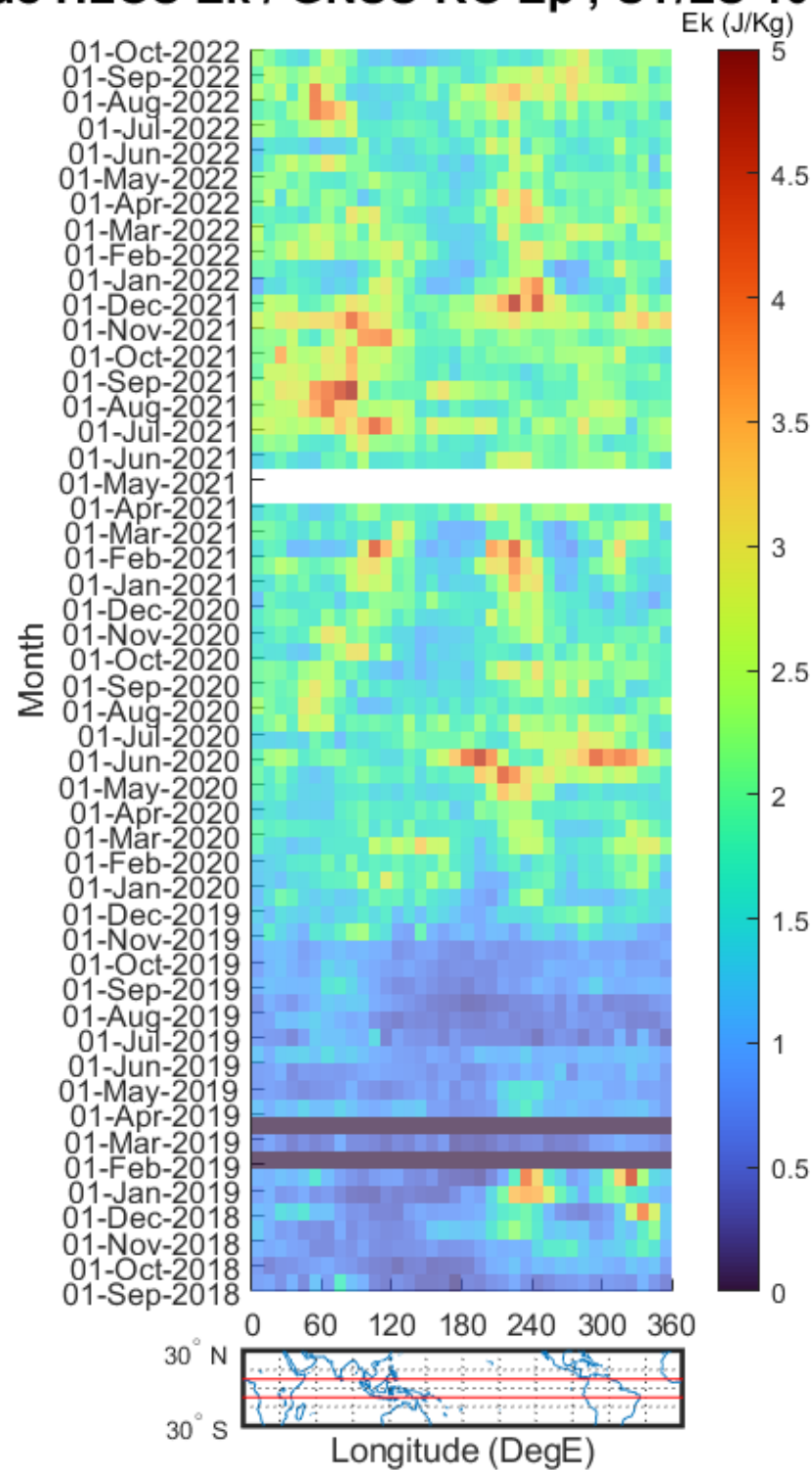
The difference is averaged over an entire line (3 weeks)

This method overcorrects areas of low value

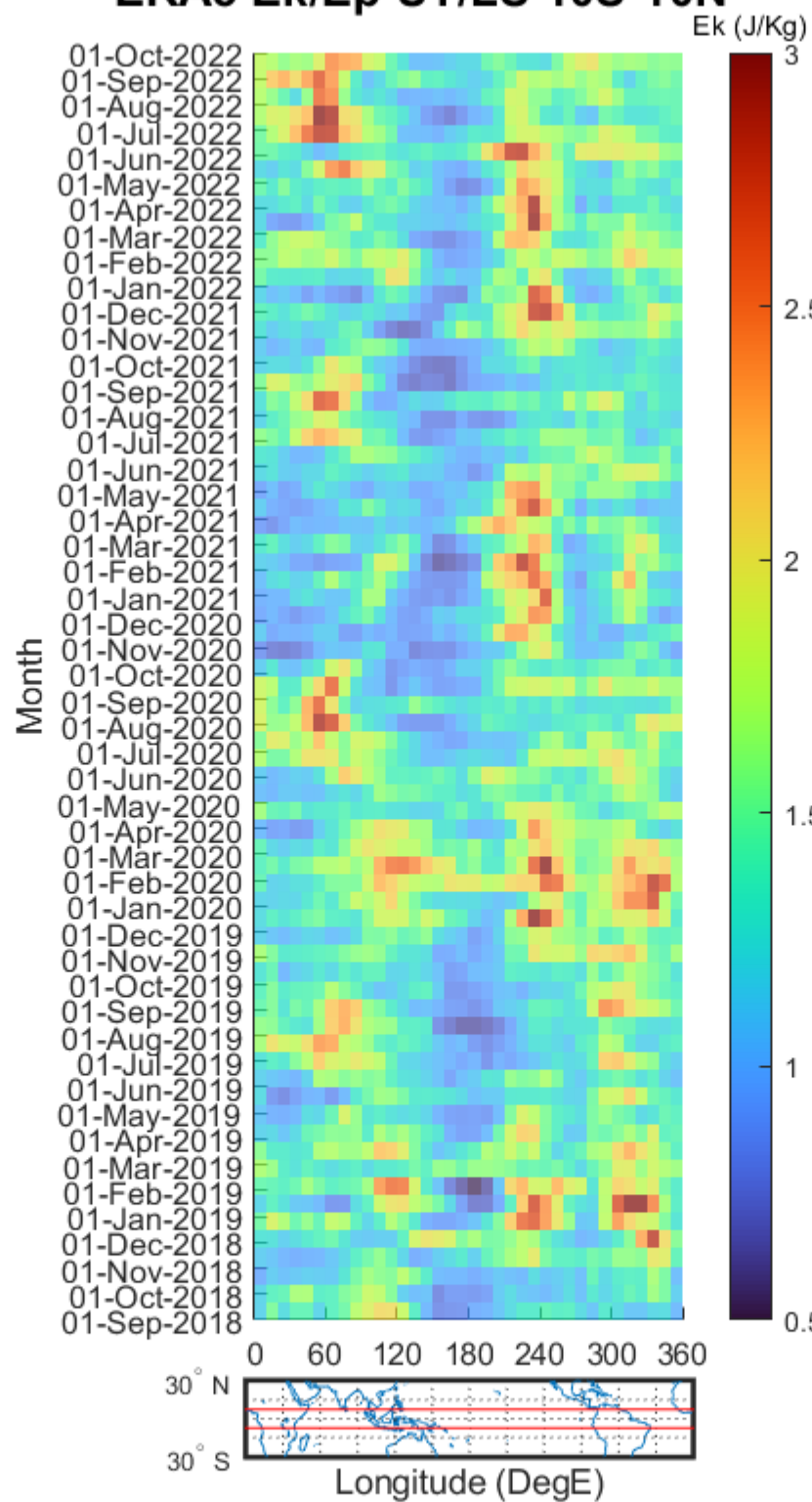
Allows for a good appreciation of the convection-related patterns

EK/EP RATIO

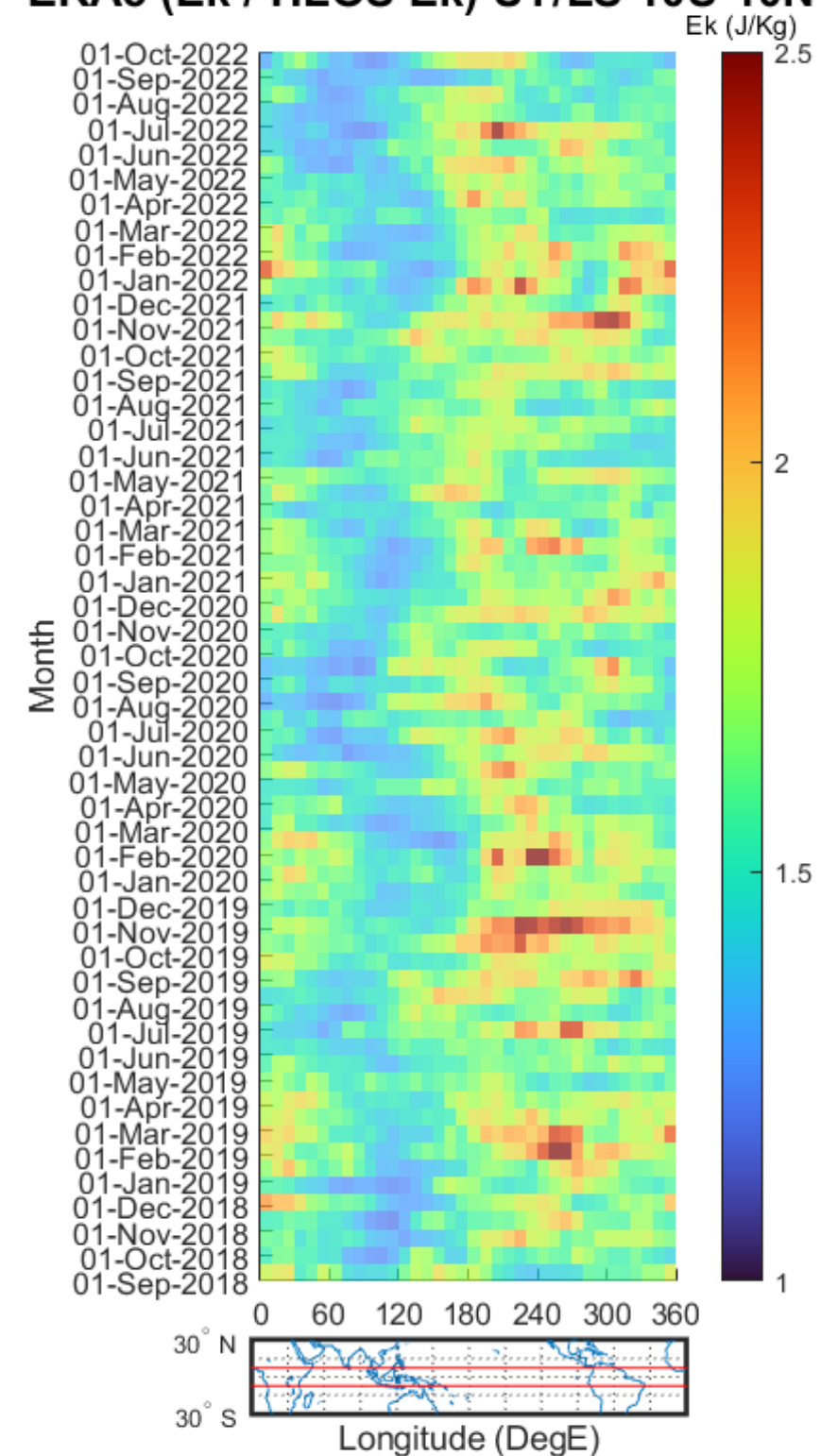
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ERA5 Ek/Ep UT/LS 10S-10N



ERA5 (Ek / HLOS Ek) UT/LS 10S-10N



Mean EK/EP Ratio : 1.63

1.43

1.6