

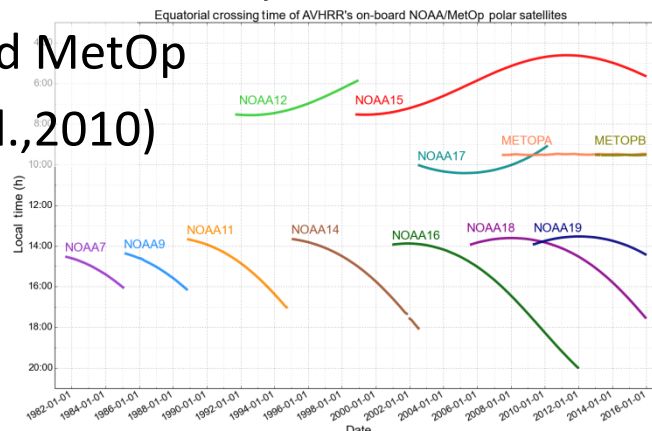
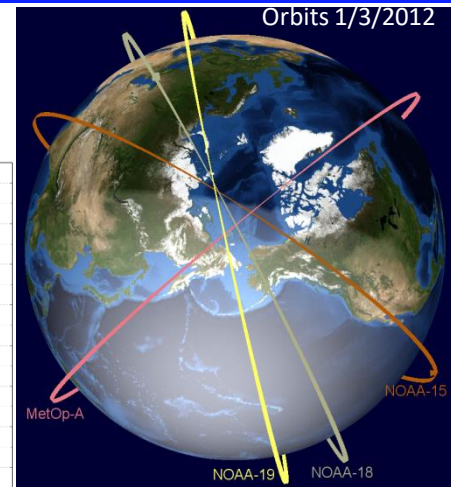
Developing an AVHRR-based CDR of TOA radiative fluxes within the CMSAF Project

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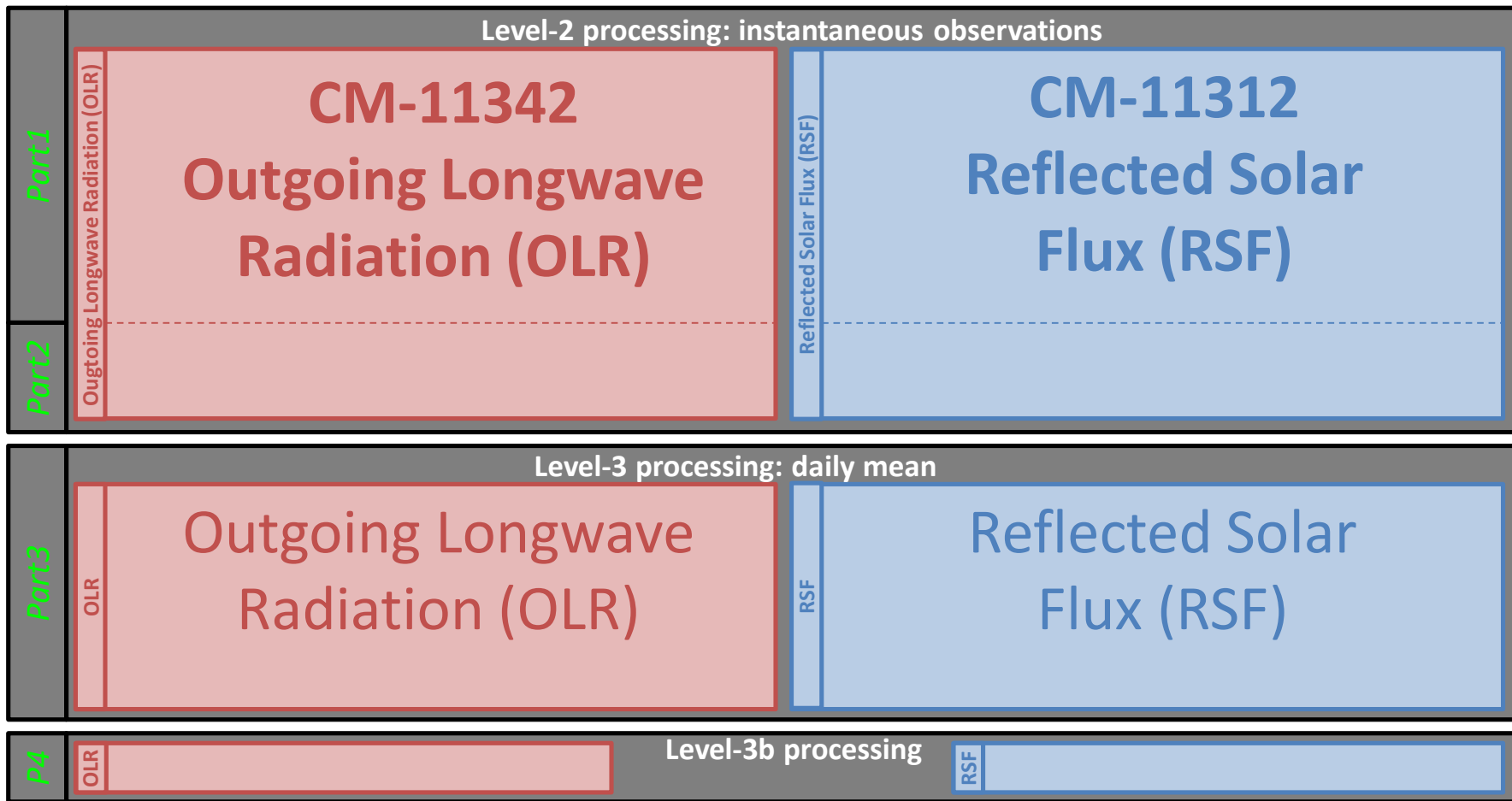


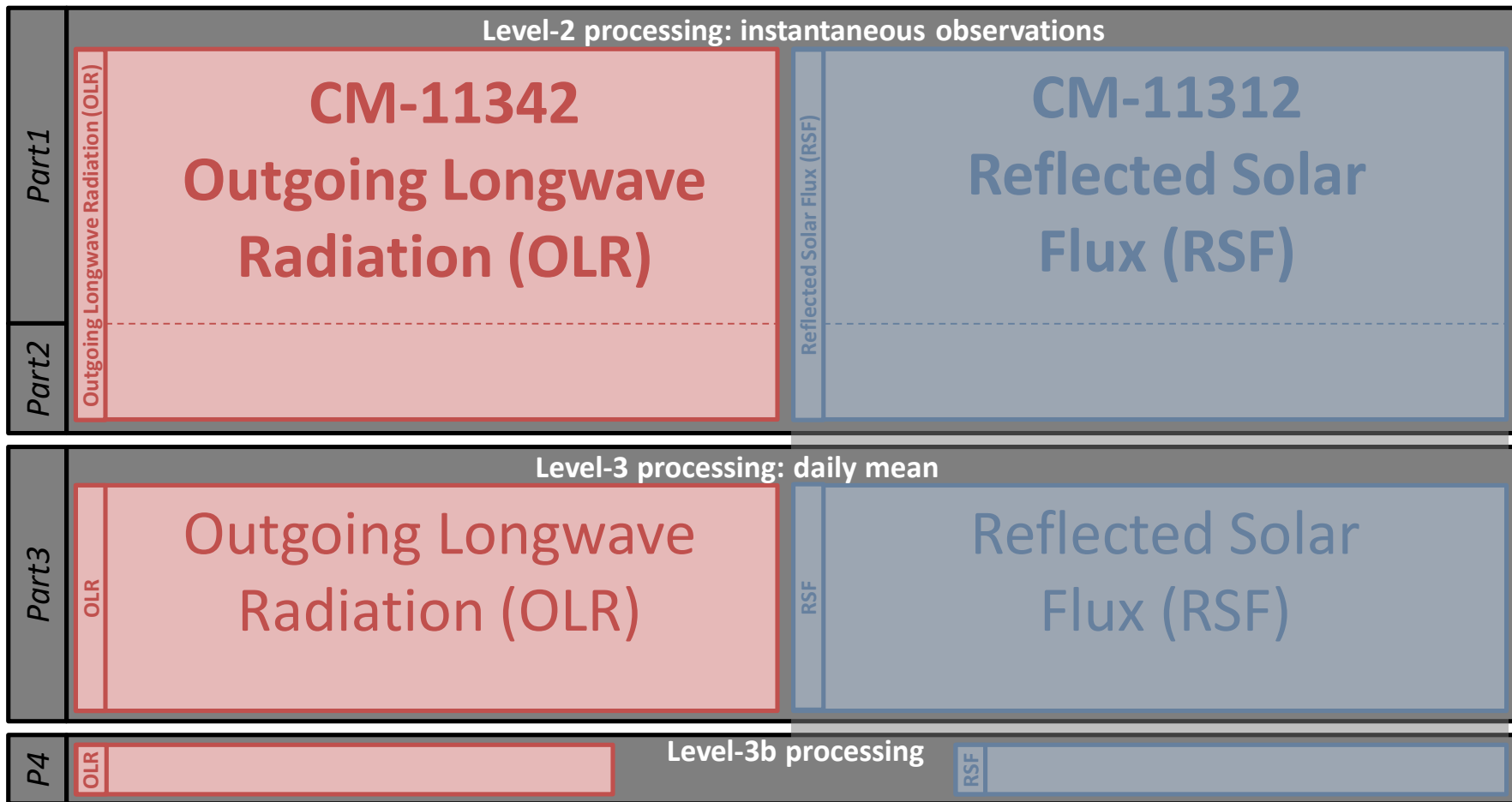
What is CLARA? “CM SAF cLoud, Albedo and Radiation dataset from AVHRR data” (=Similar to Patmos-X)

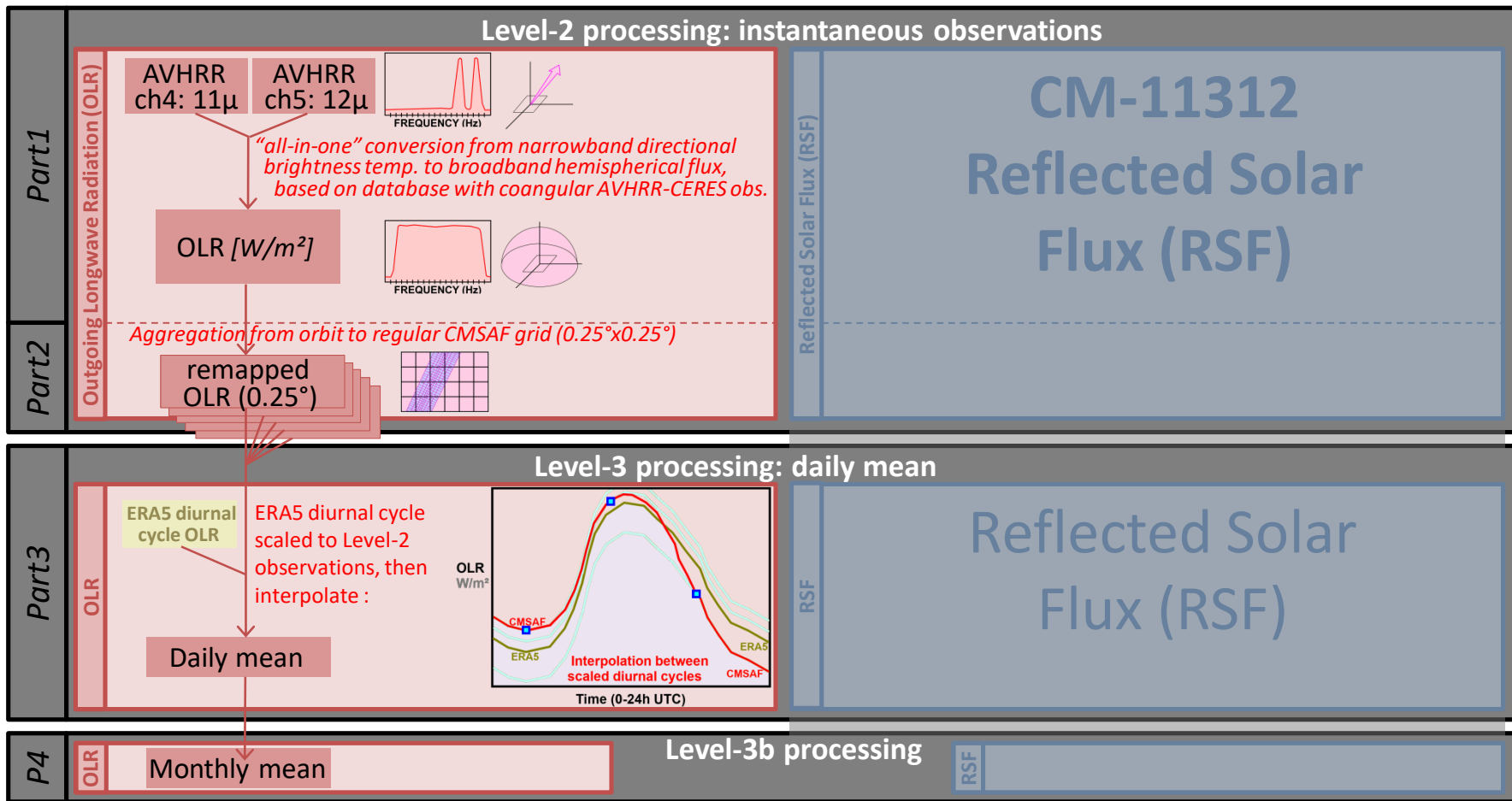
- Polar orbiting satellites NOAA and MetOp
- FCDR from NOAA (Heidinger et al., 2010)
- Currently released versions:
 - CLARA-A1 (1982-2009)
 - CLARA-A2 (1982-2015)

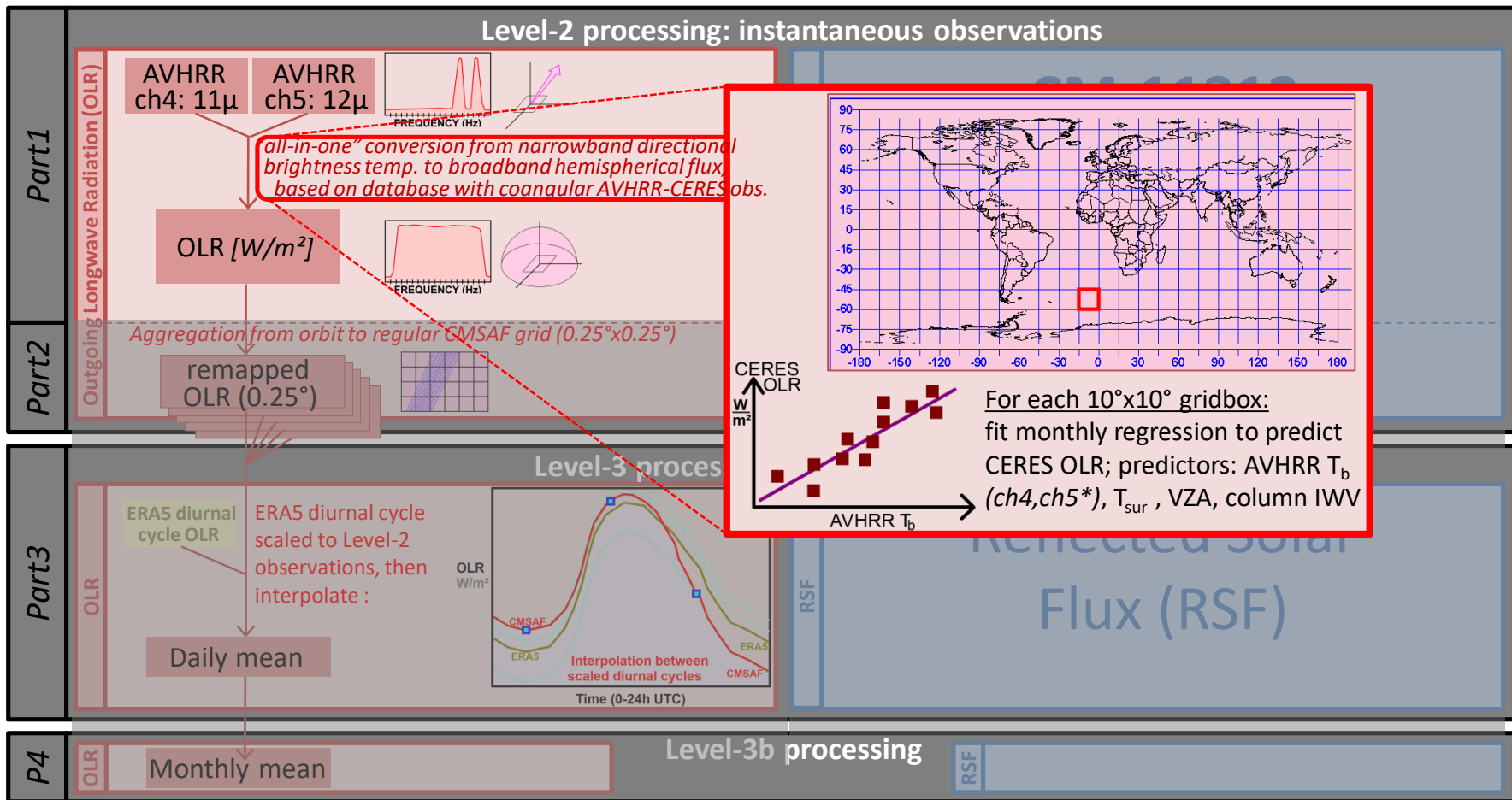
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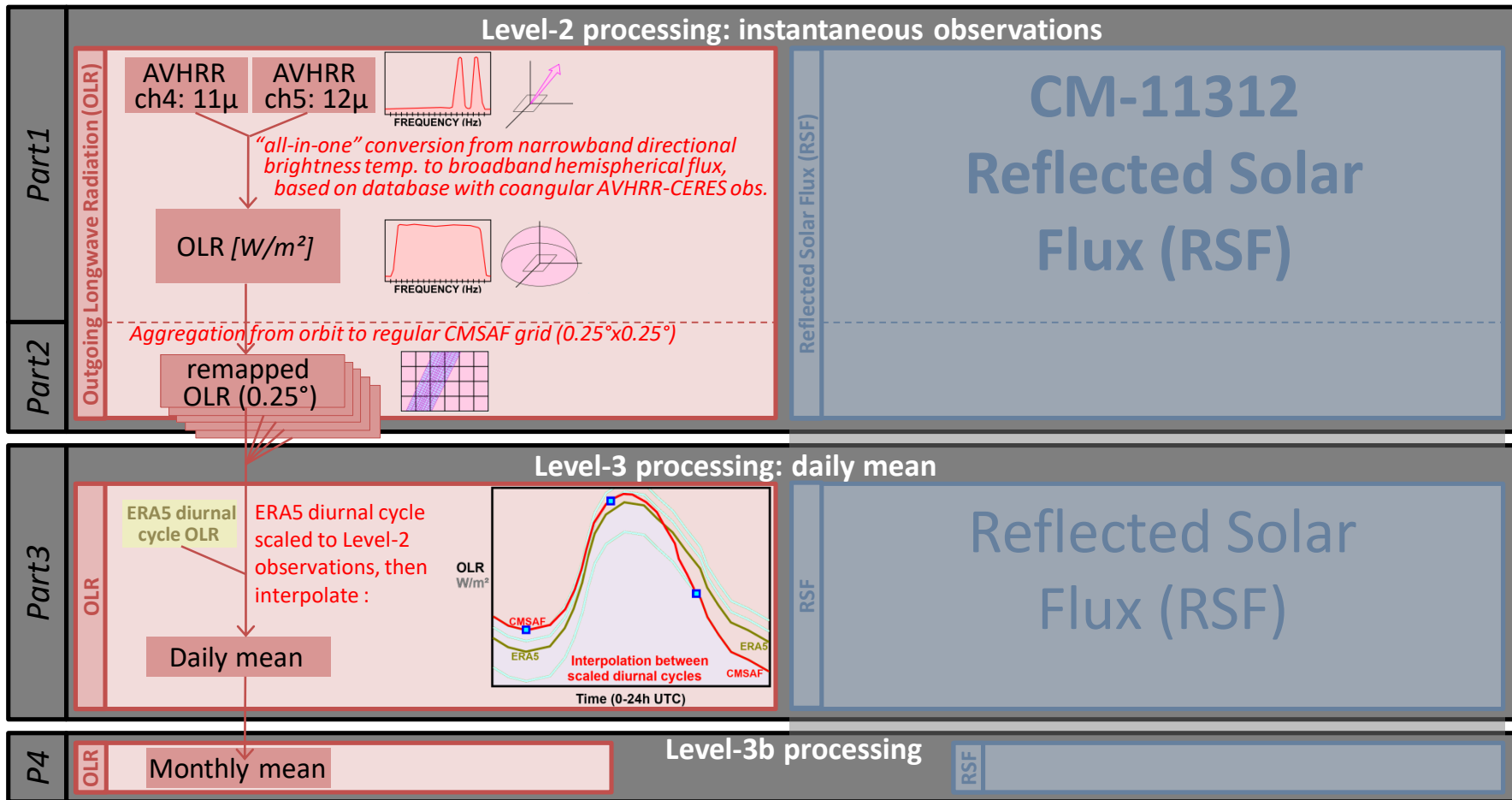
- Inclusion of AVHRR-1 sensor (TIROS-N, NOAA-6, -8, -10): extension of time range to 1978-2019 i.e. 42yr
- Updated FCDR: new calibration for visible channels (latest PATMOS-x coefficients)
- Updated cloud treatment algorithms (NWCSAF/PPS v.2018; Karlsson et al.) **SMHI**
- **Addition of new product “TOA radiative fluxes” -> this presentation**

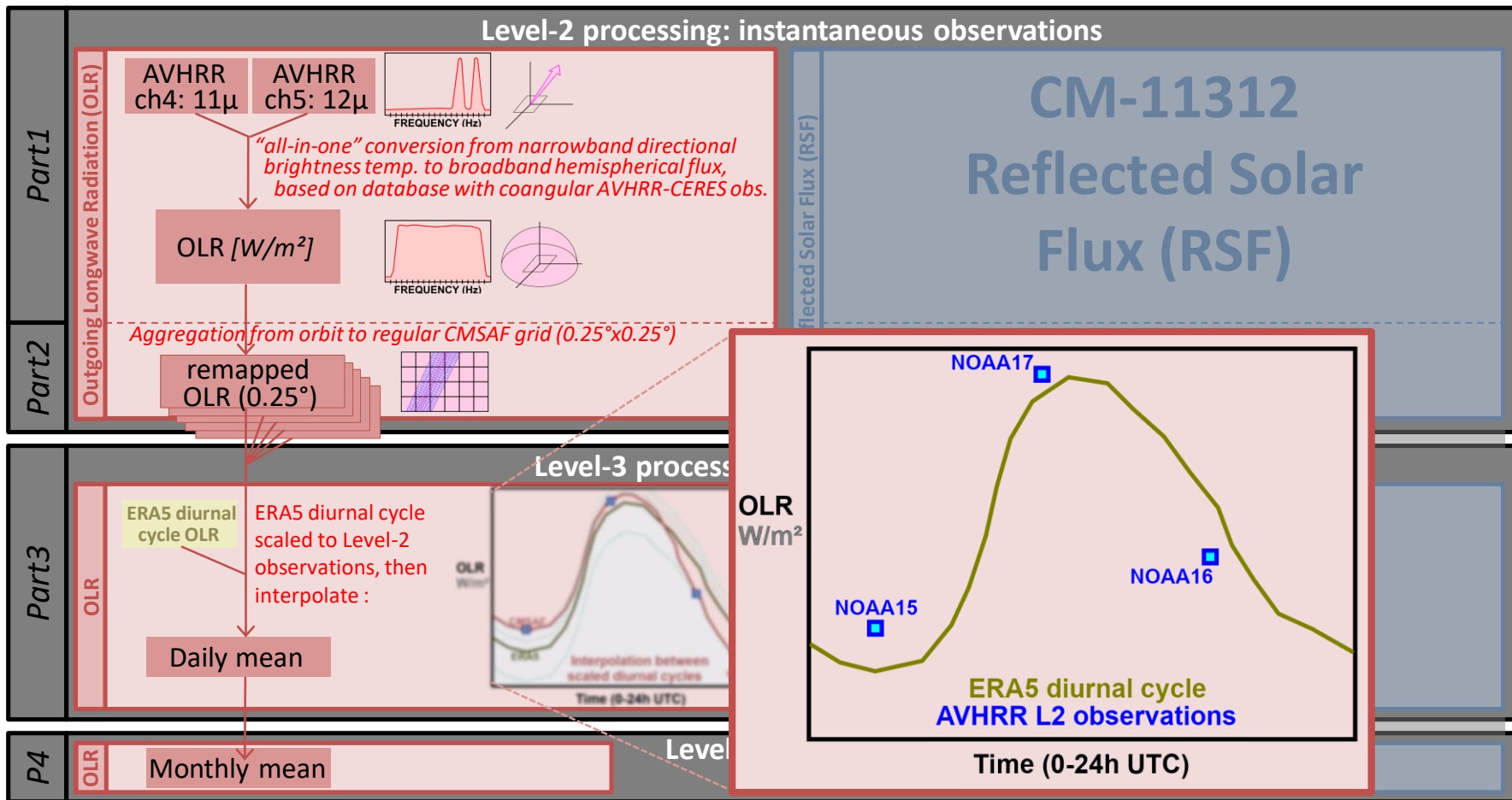


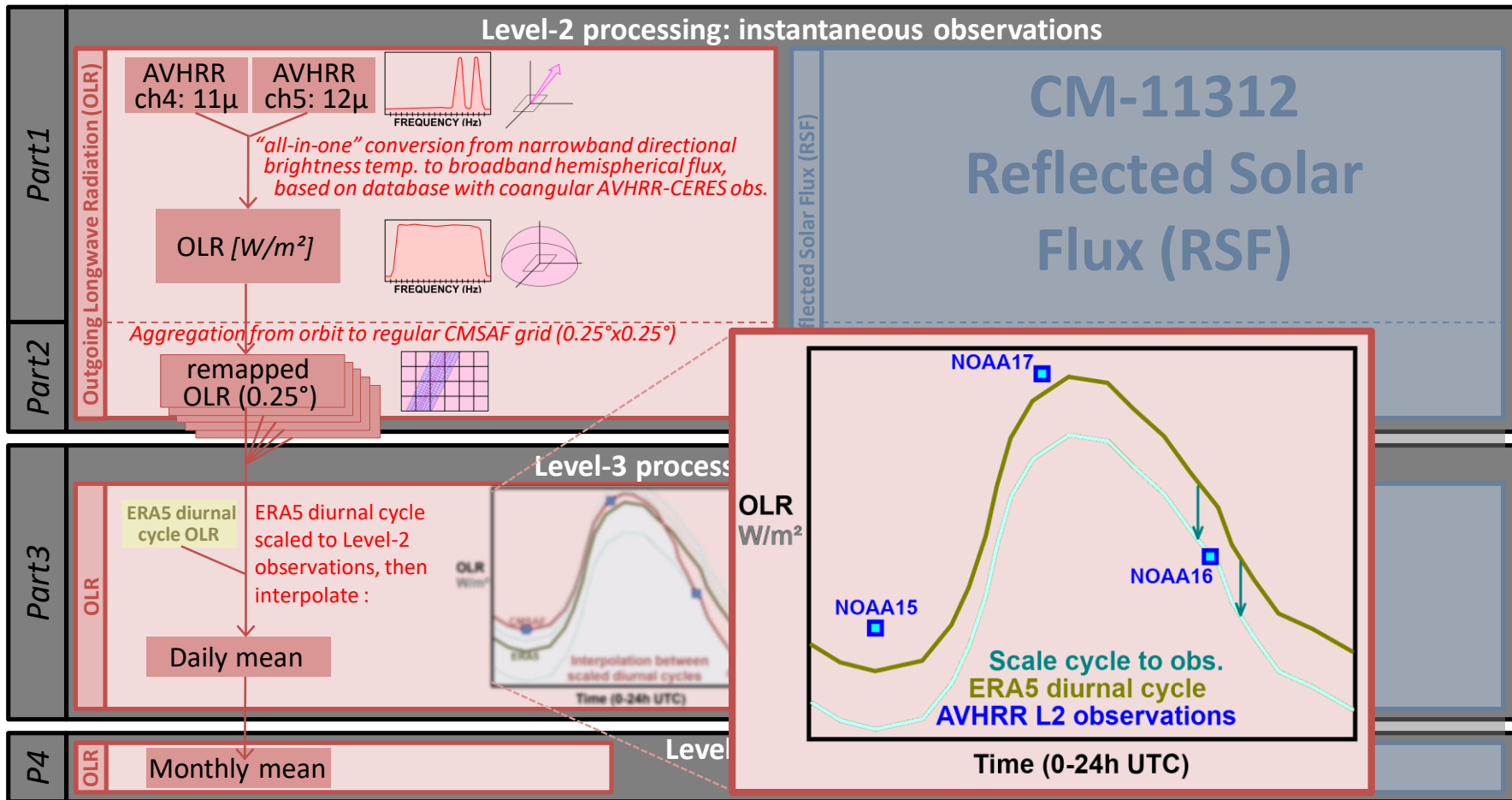


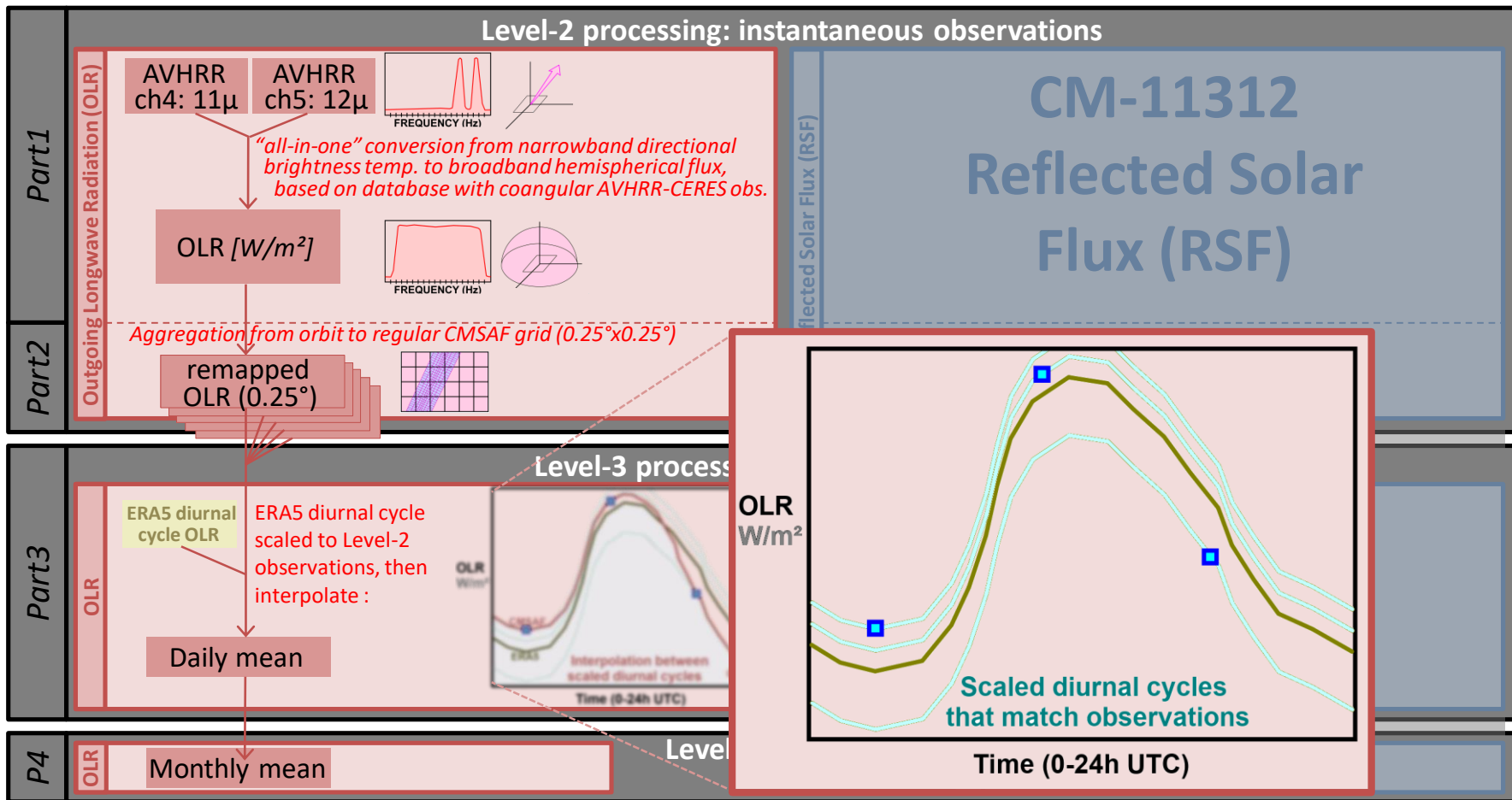


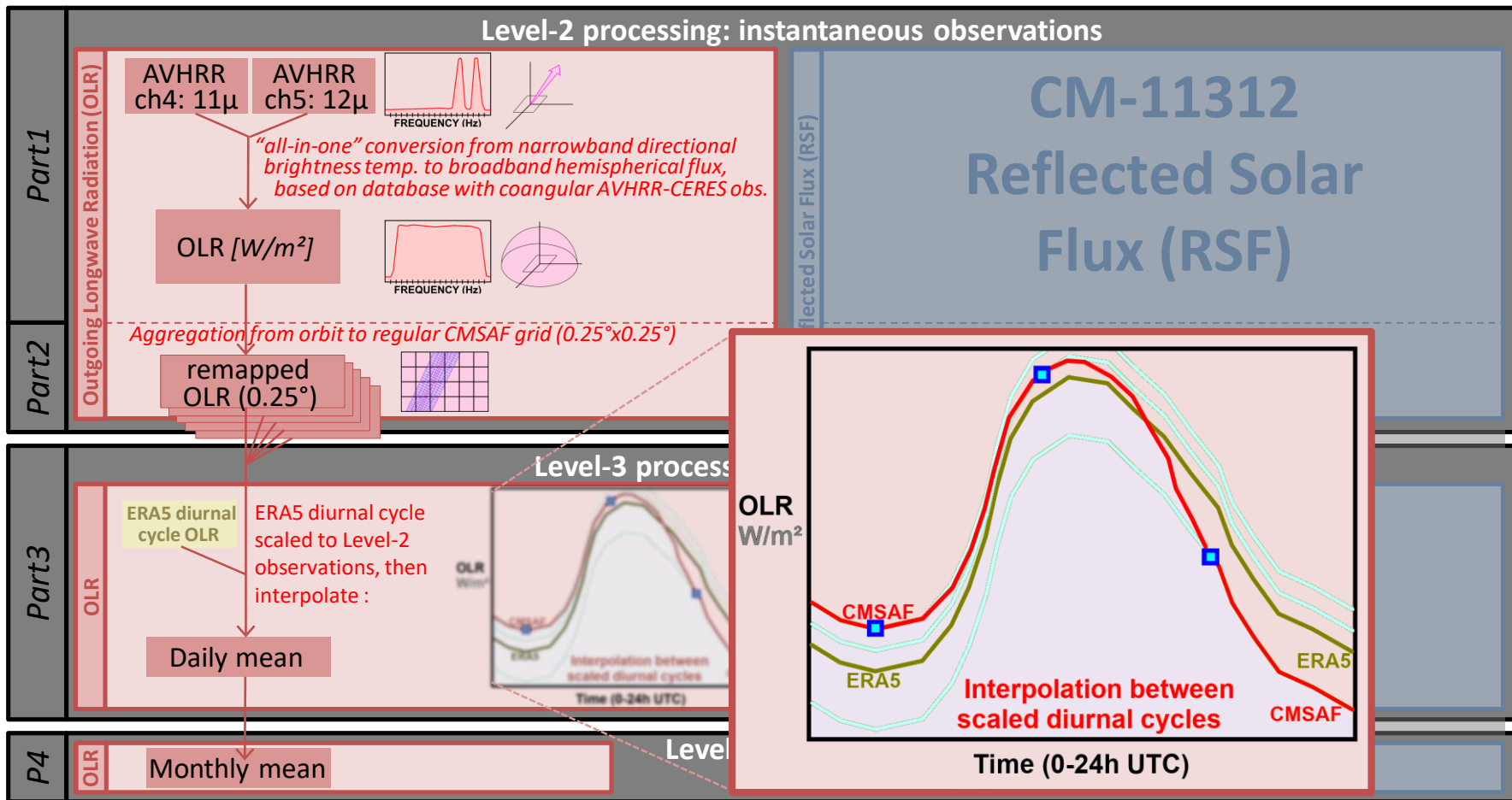












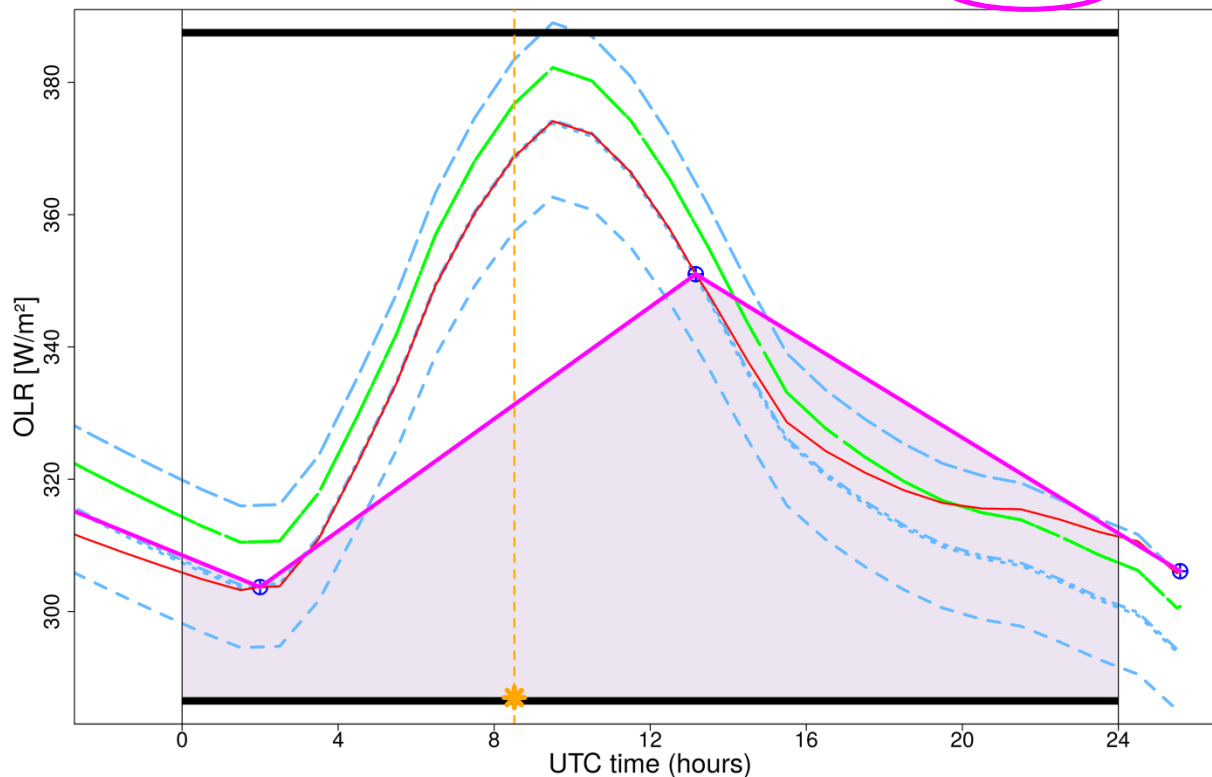
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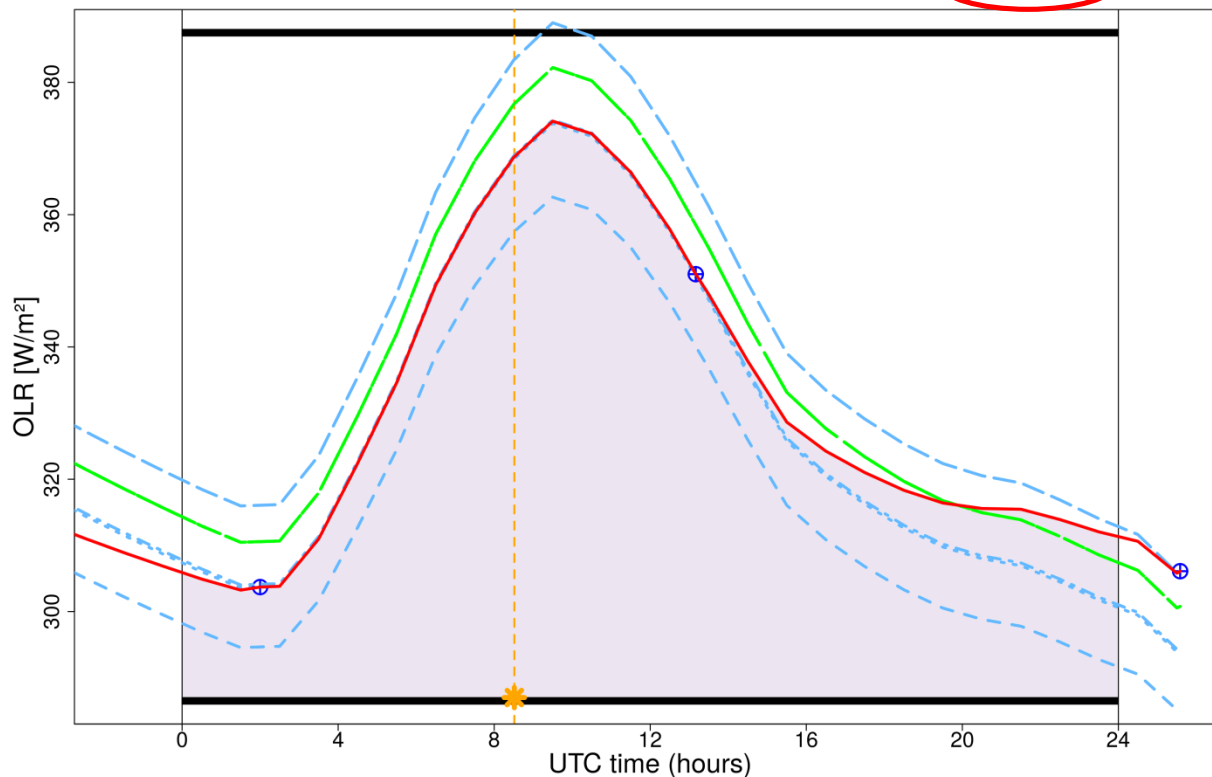
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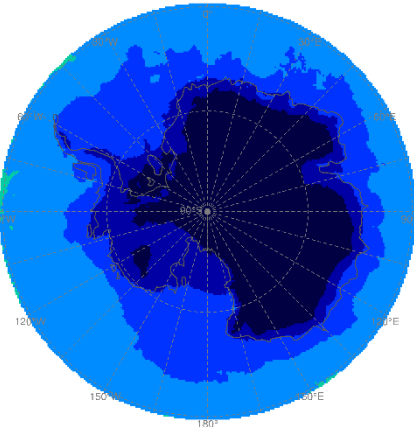
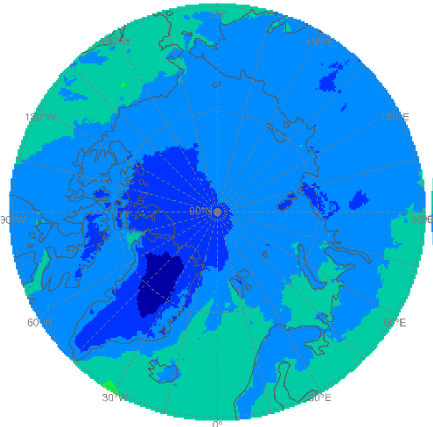
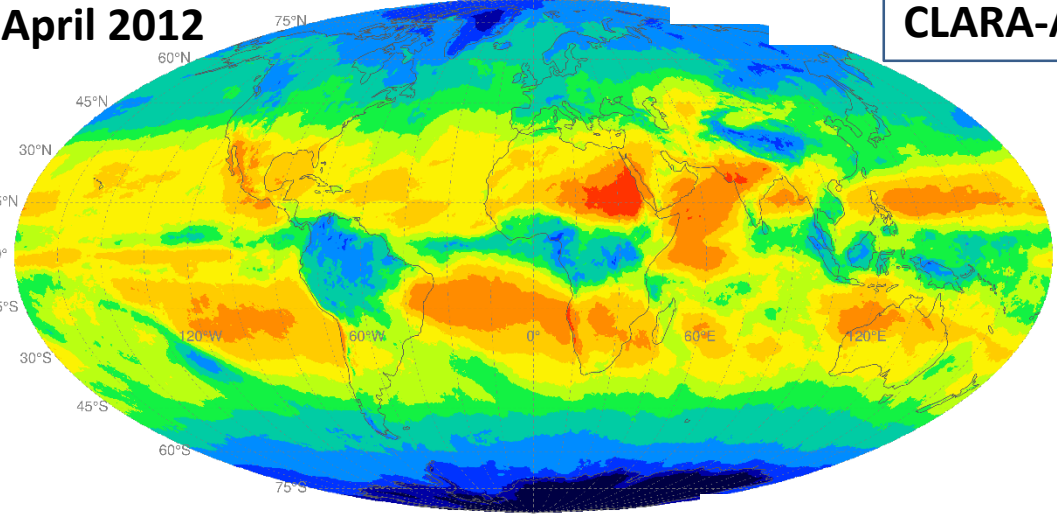
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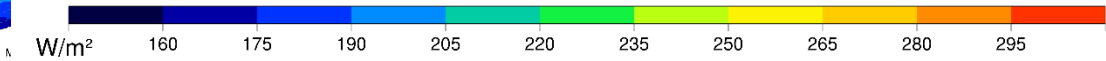
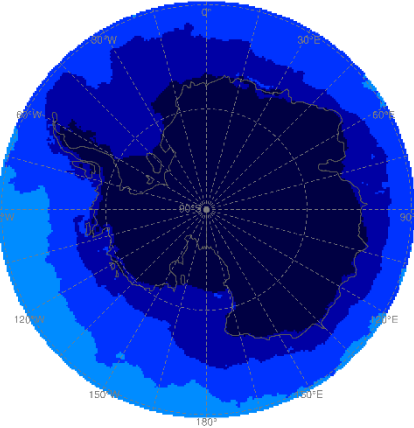
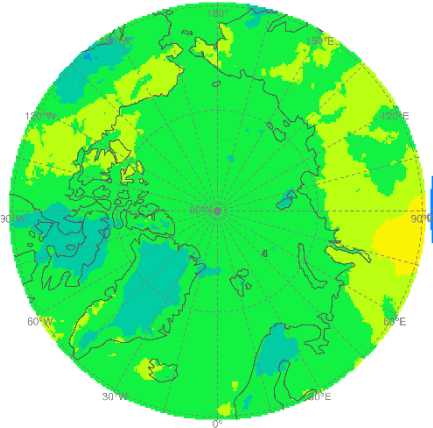
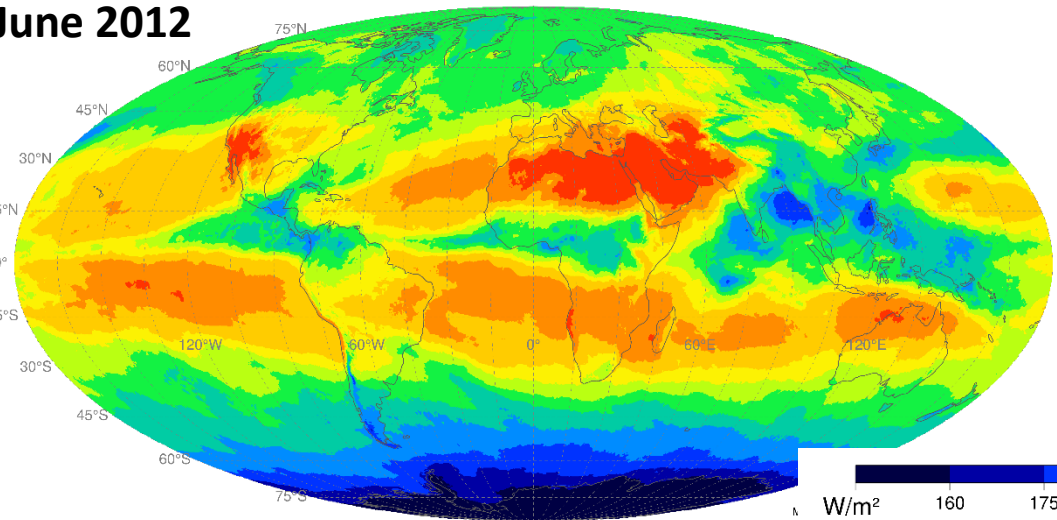
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CLARA-A3 monthly mean OLR (W/m^2)

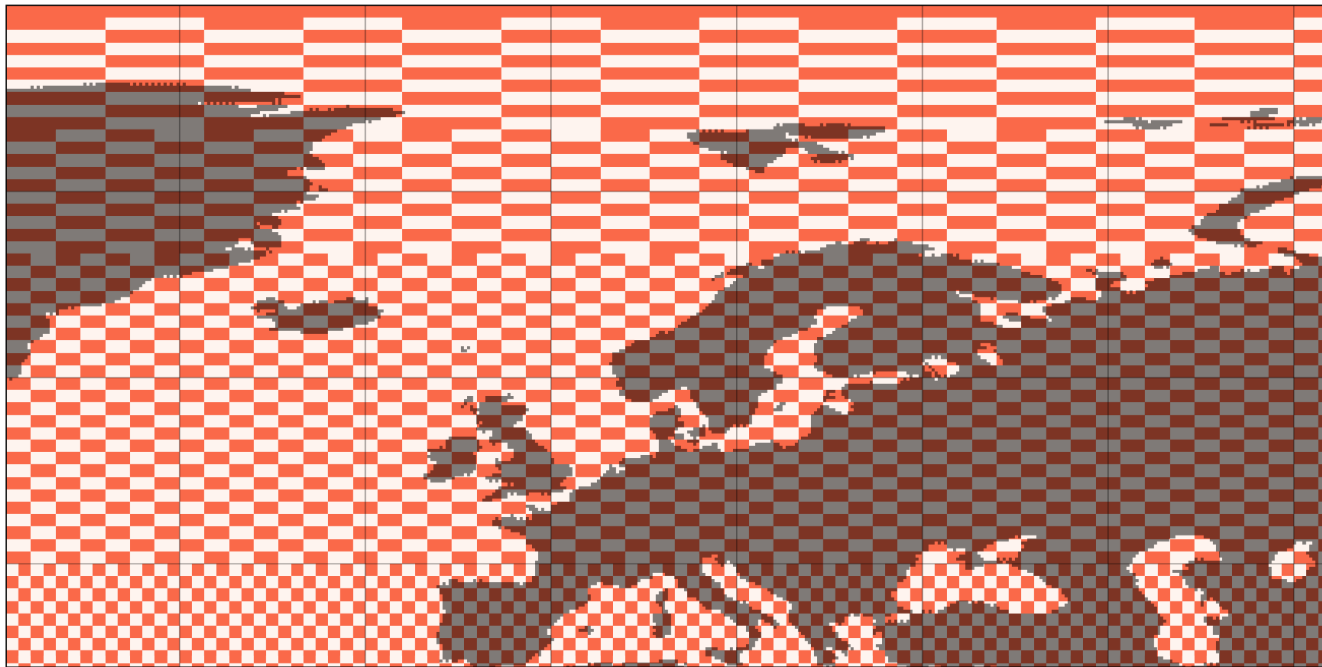
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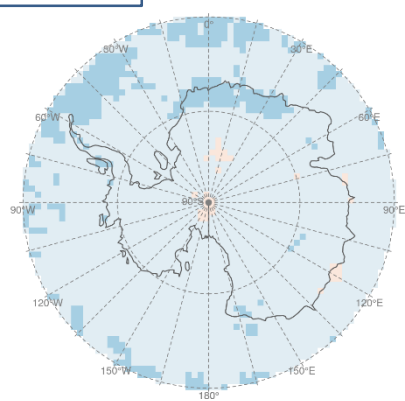
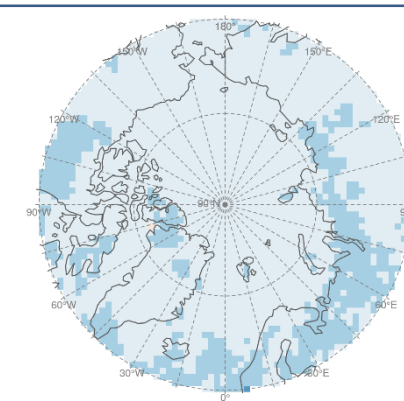
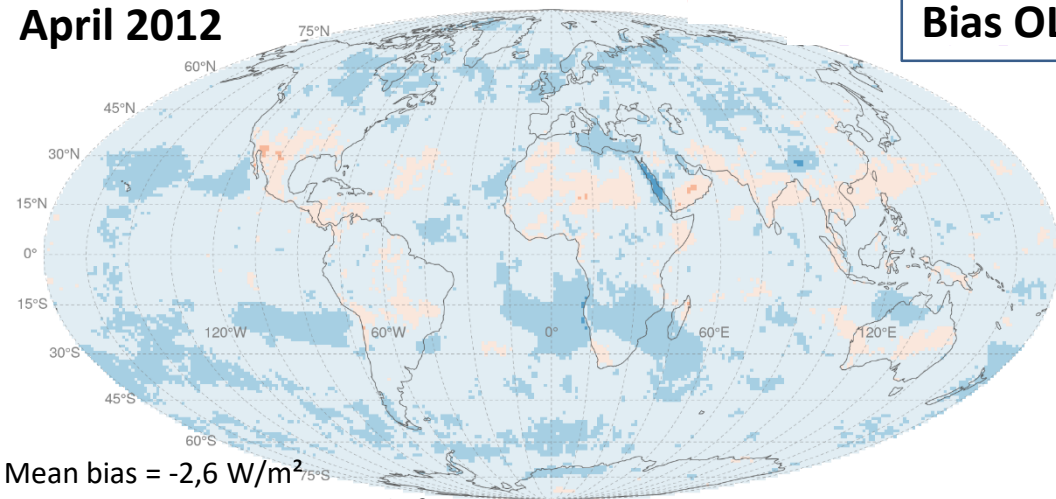


- Validation of result: calculate bias with CERES-EBAF (Ed4.1)
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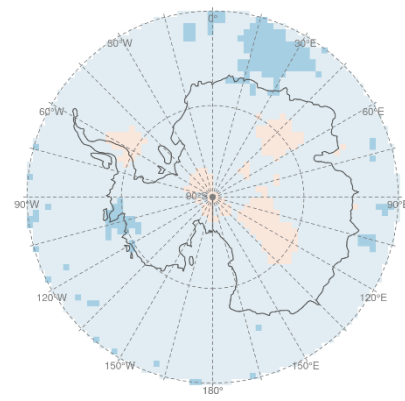
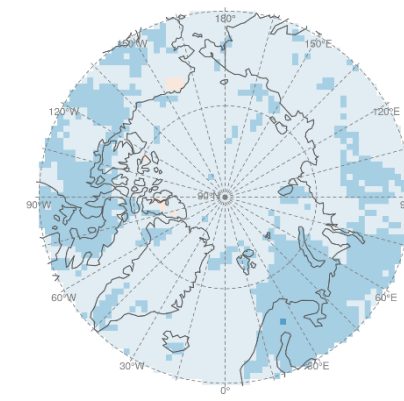
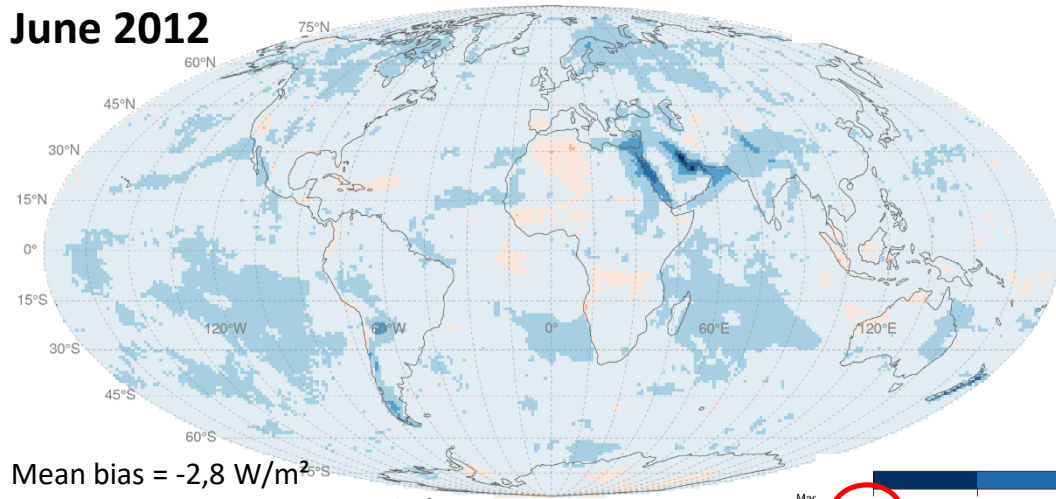
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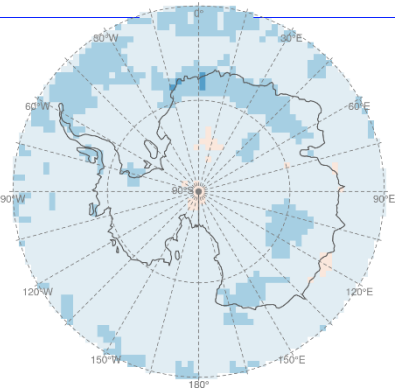
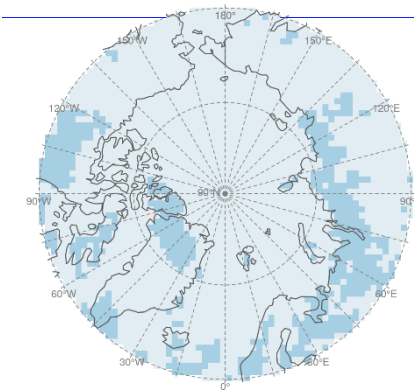
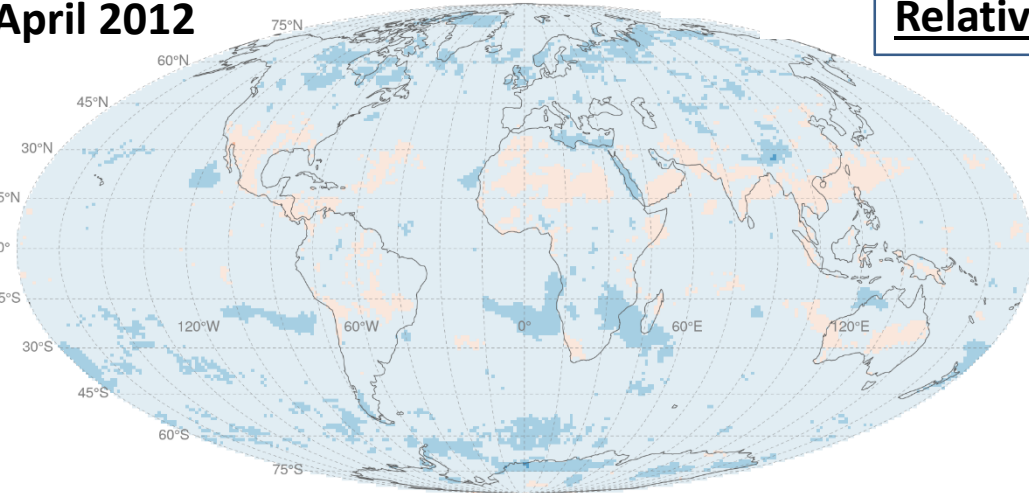


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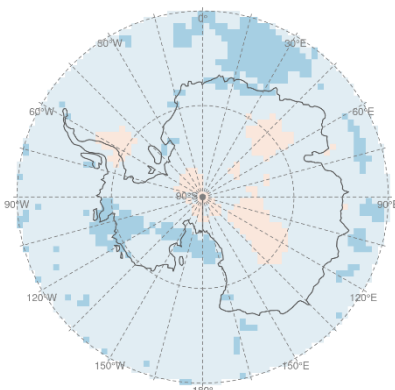
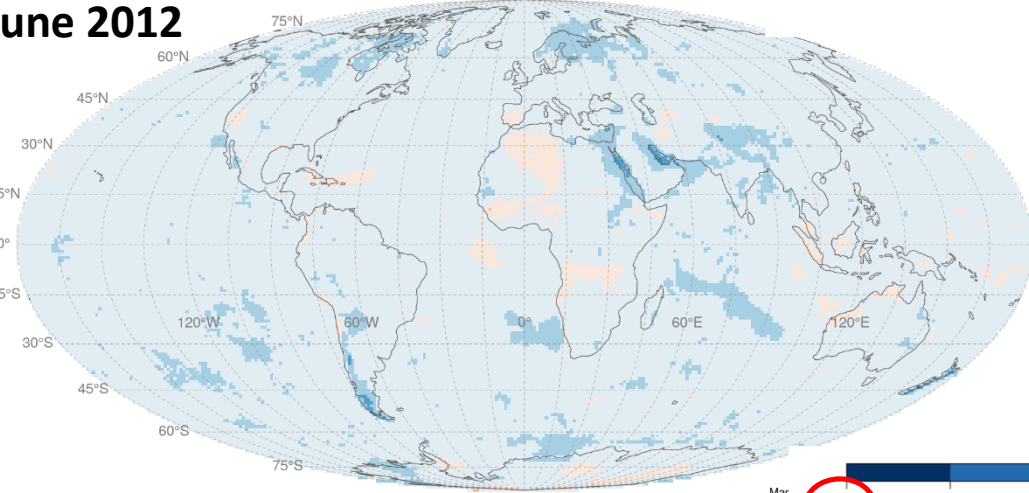


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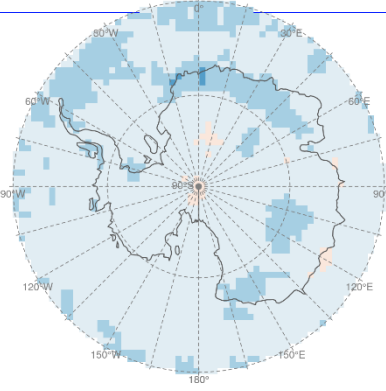
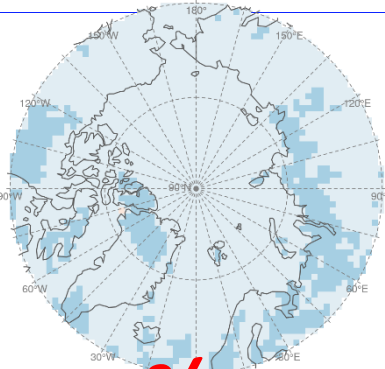
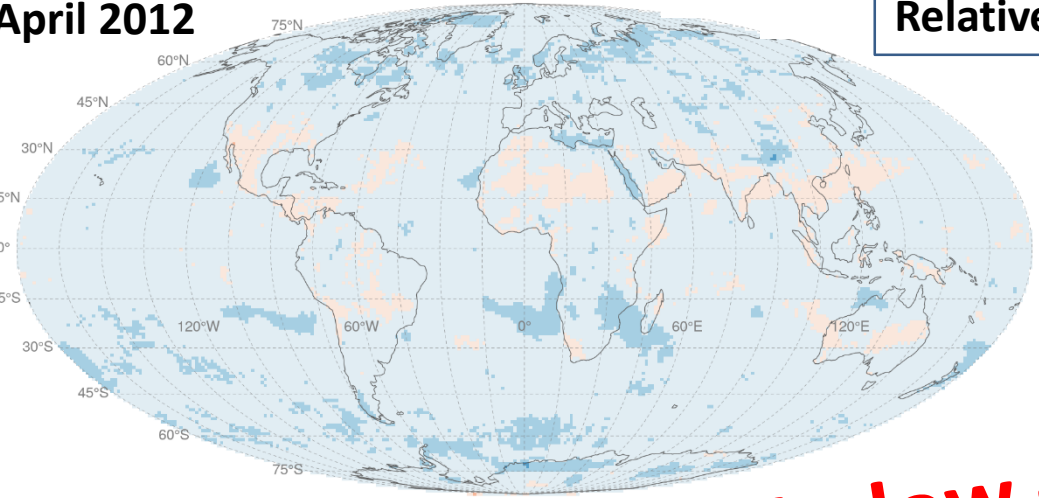


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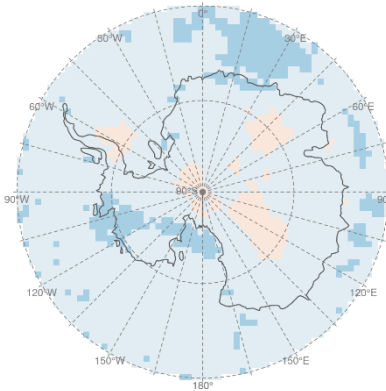
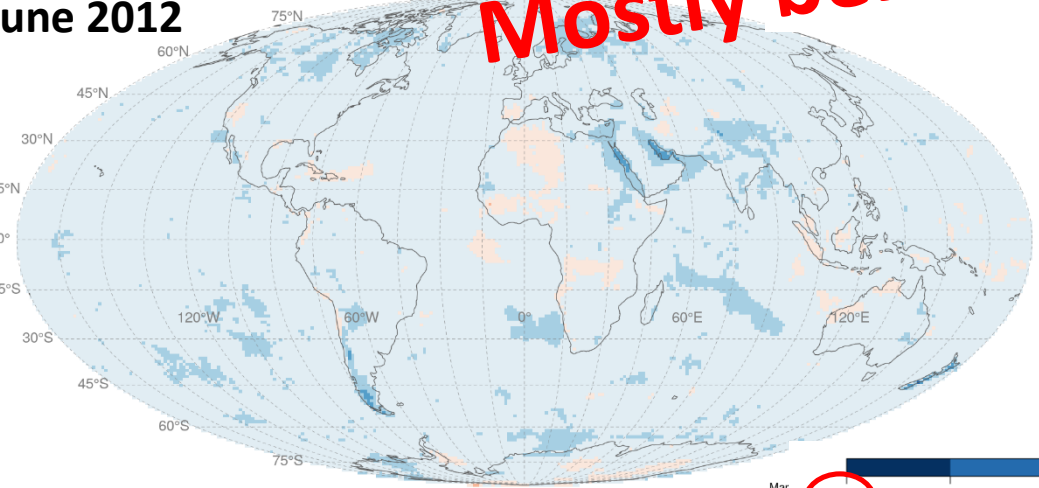
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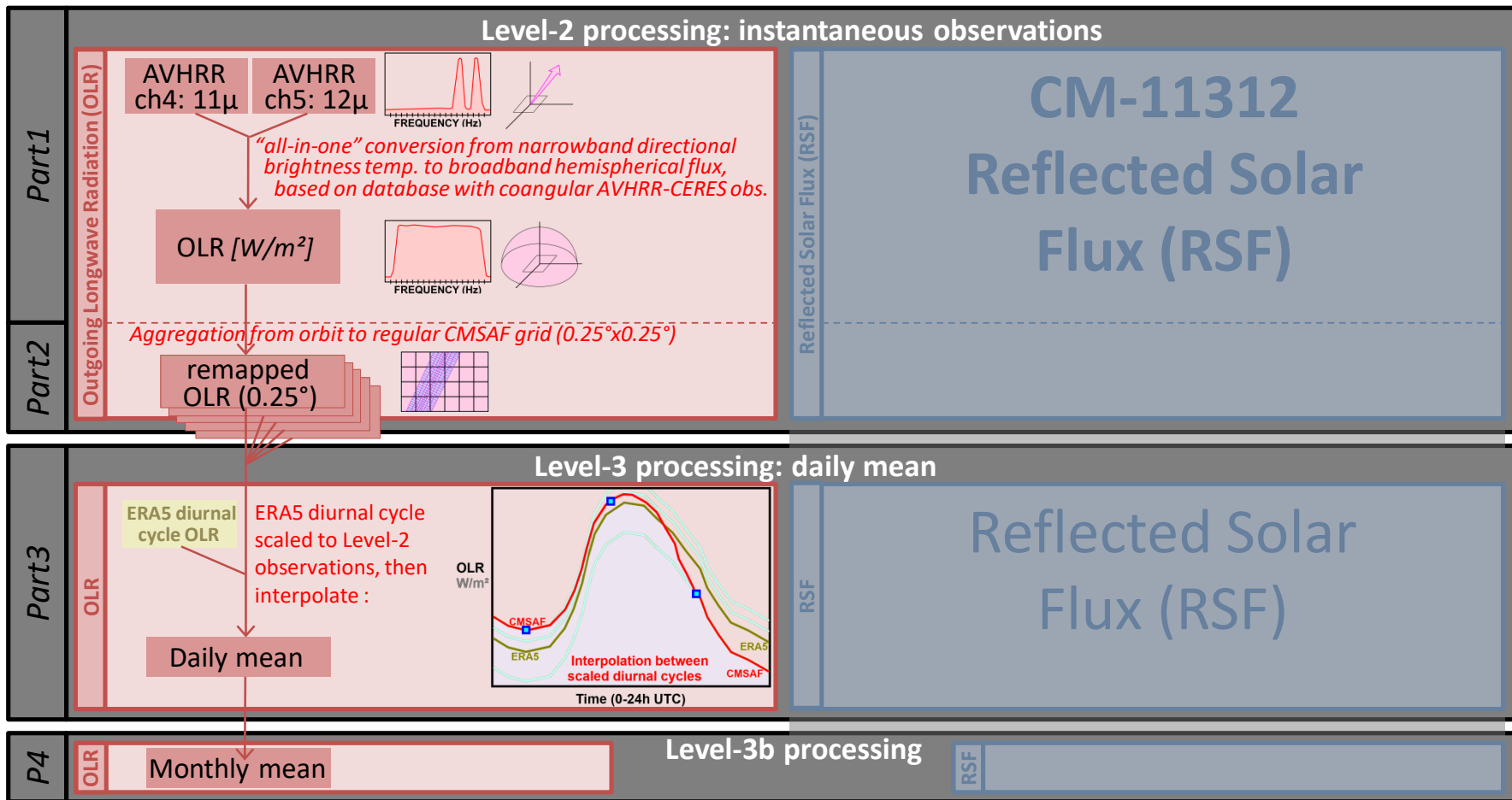
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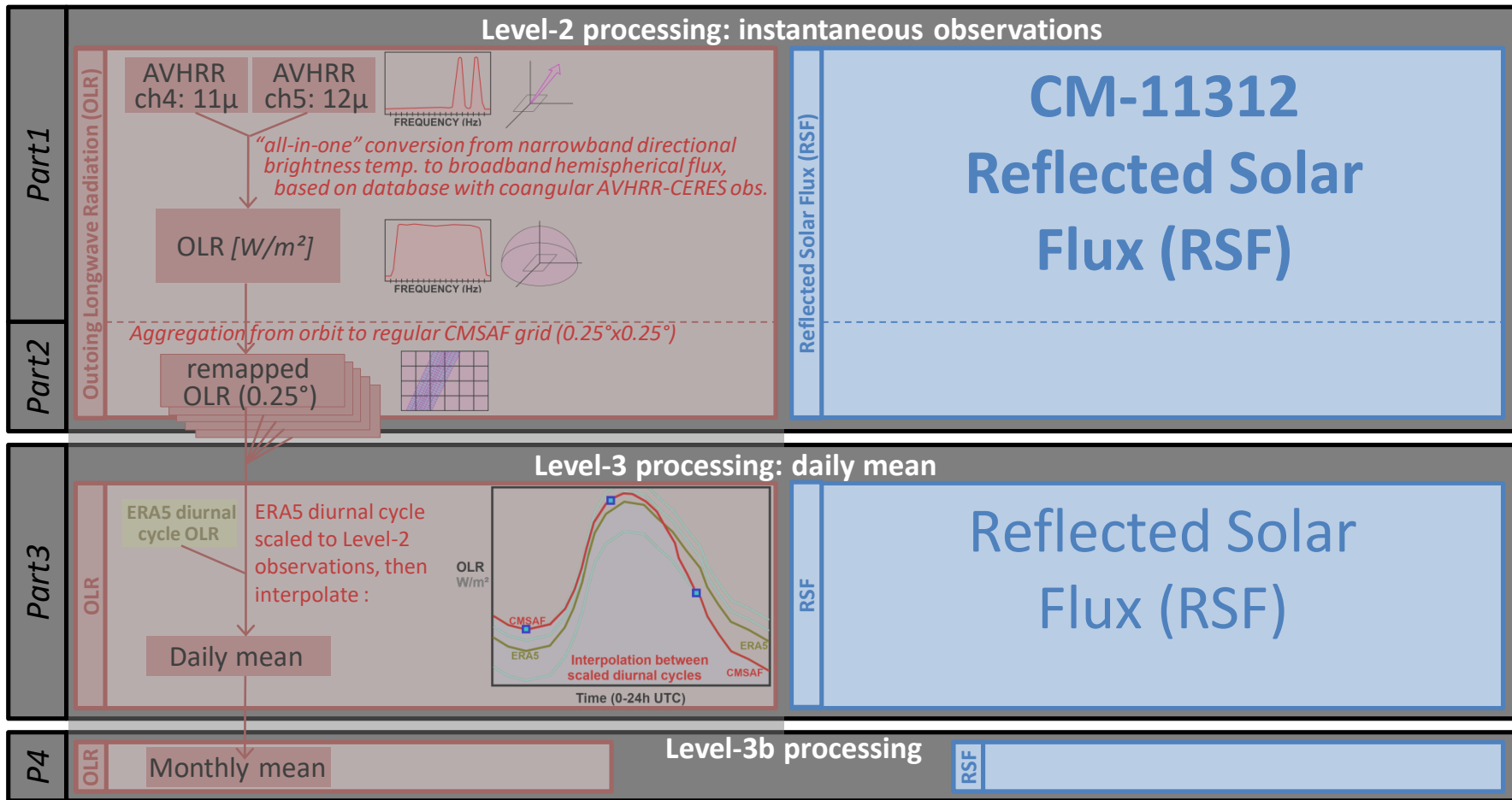
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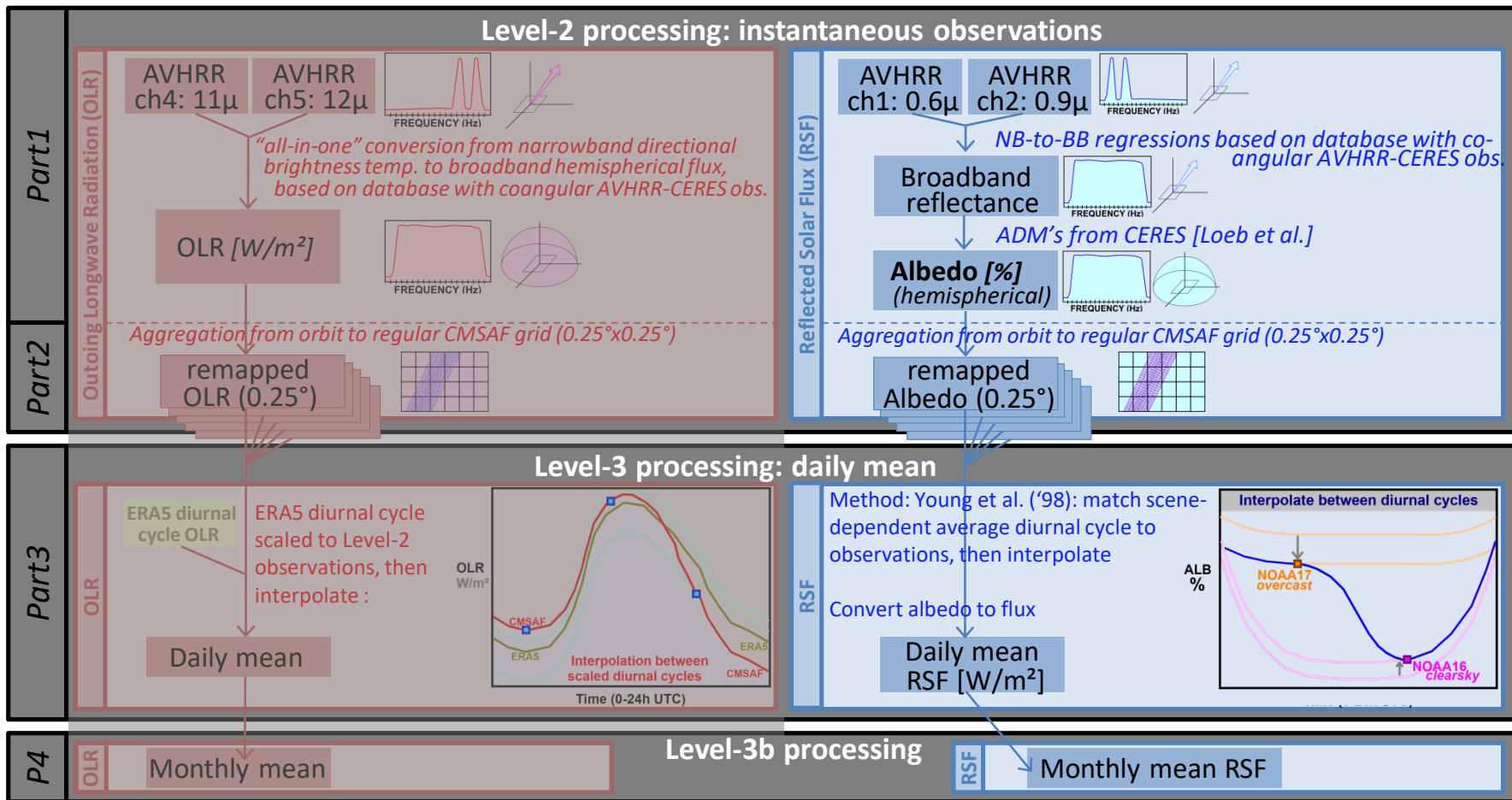




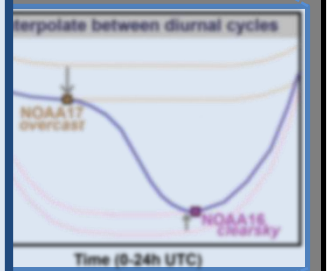
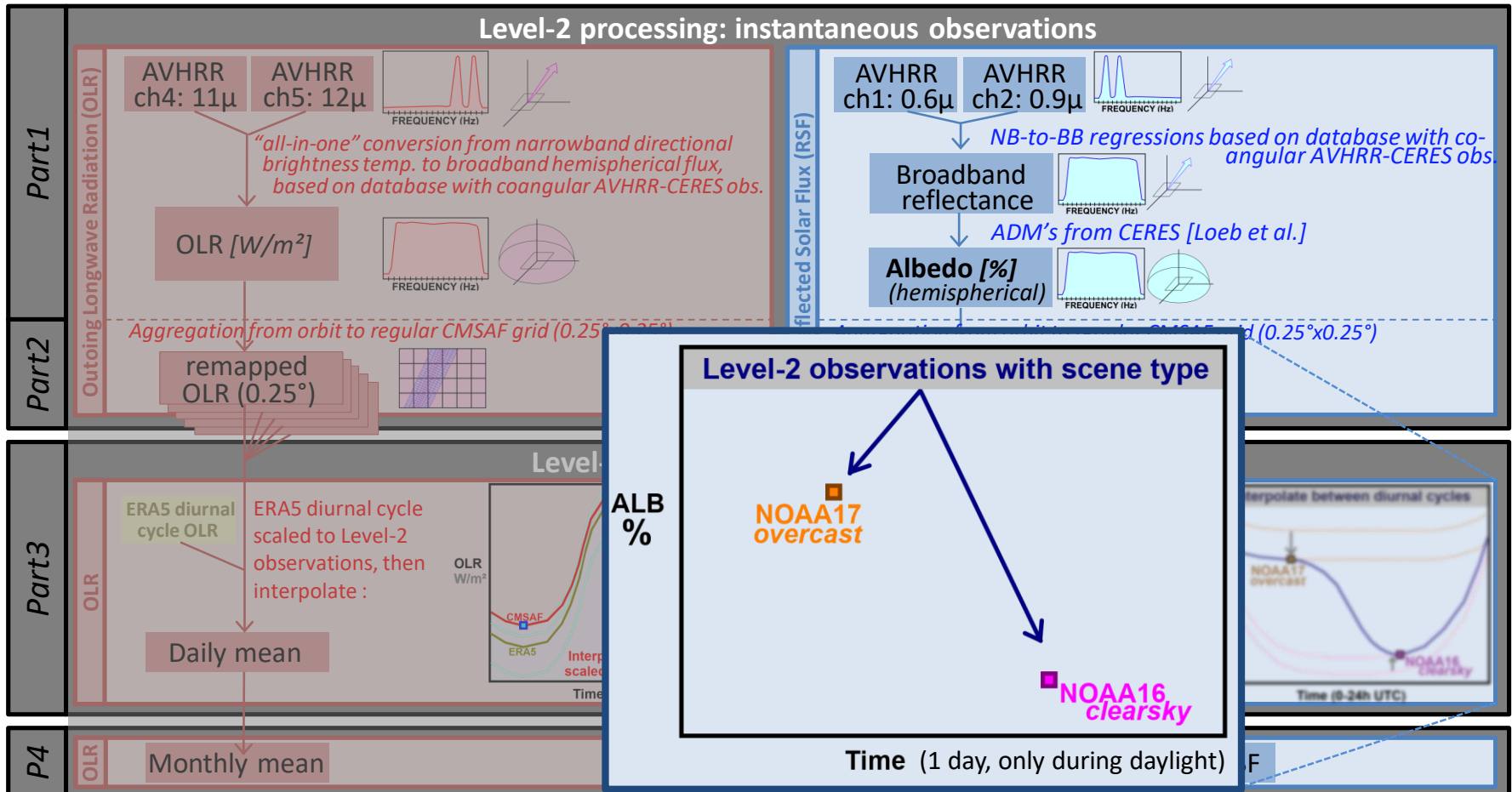
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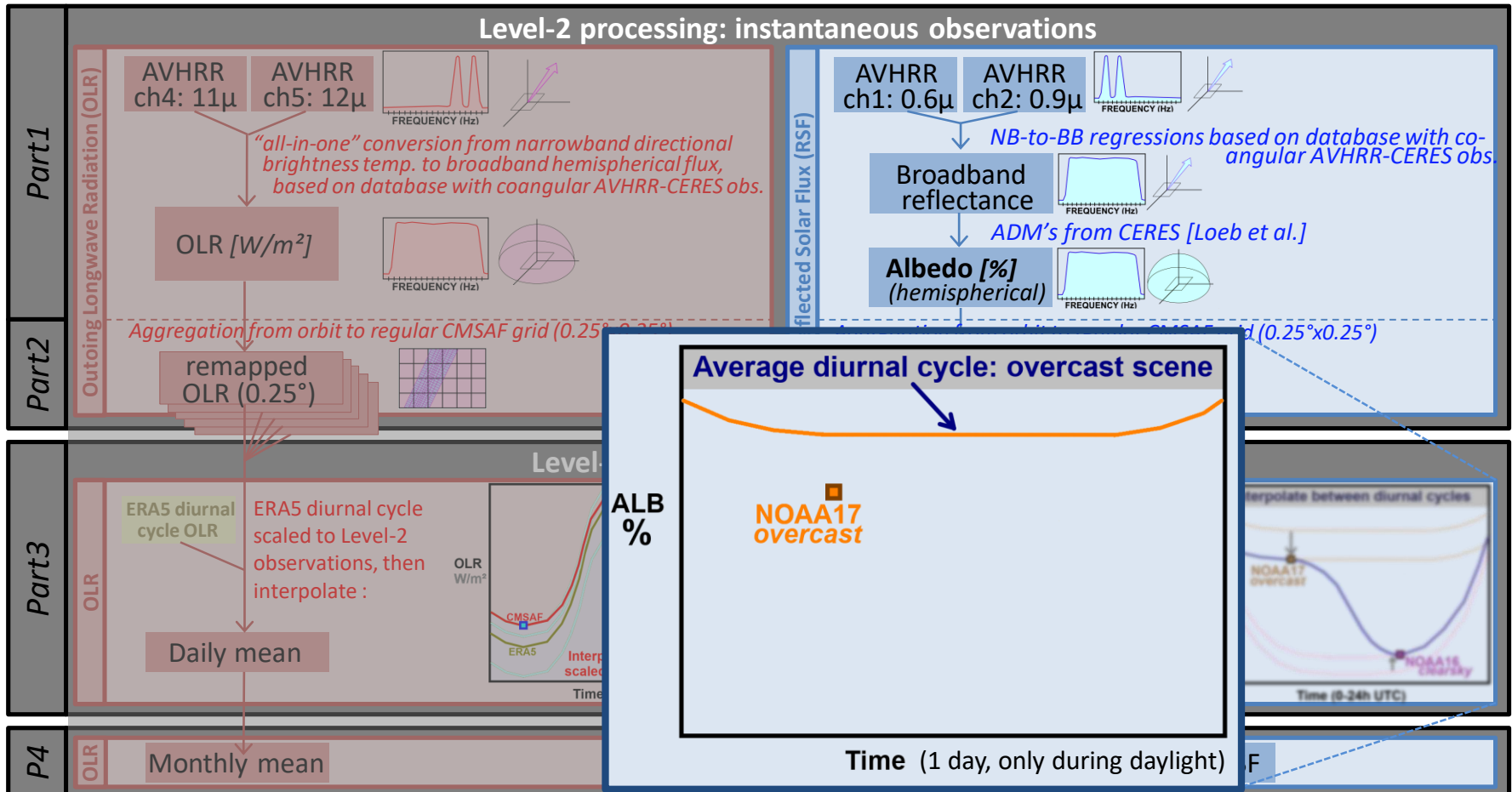
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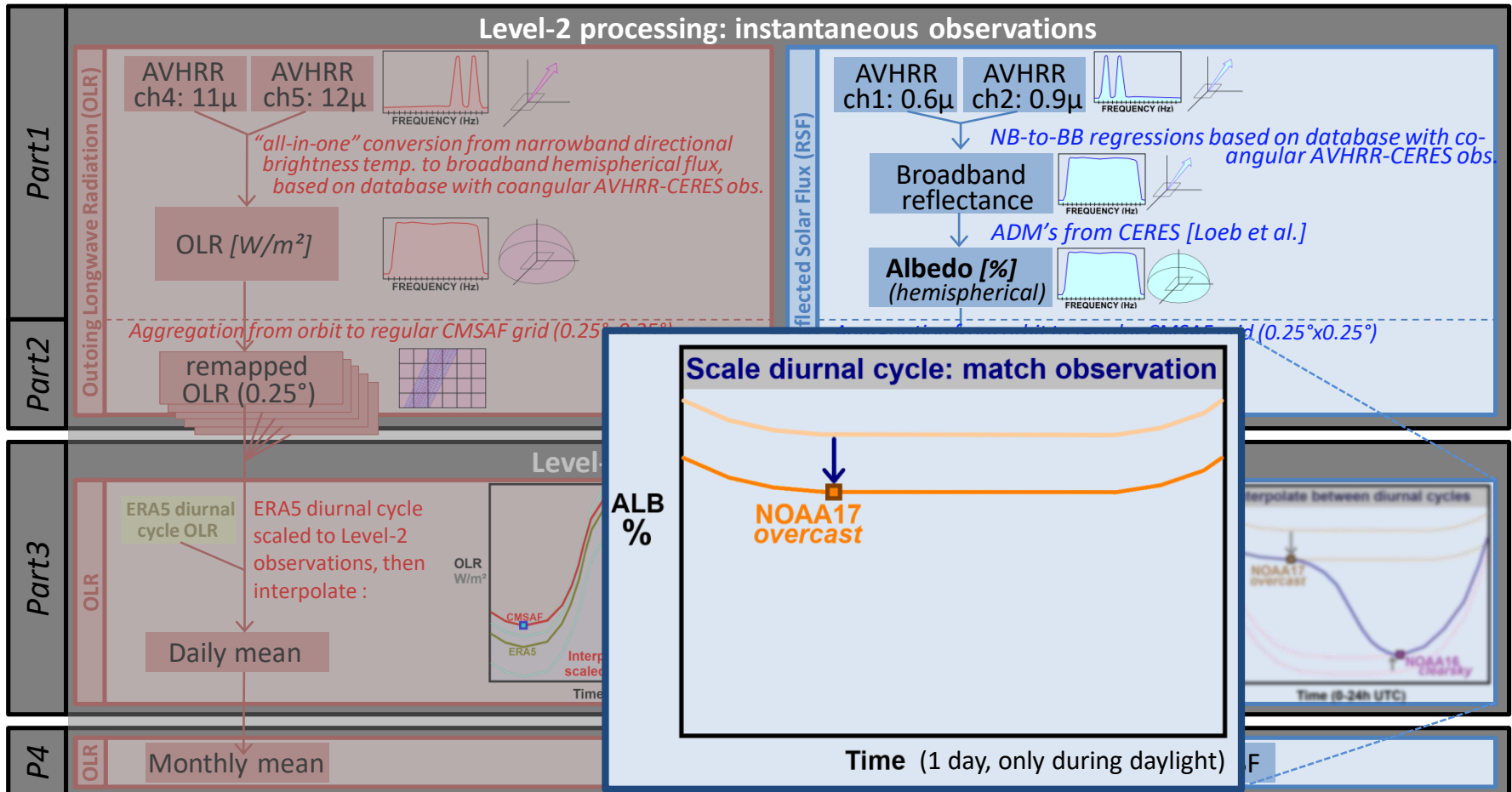
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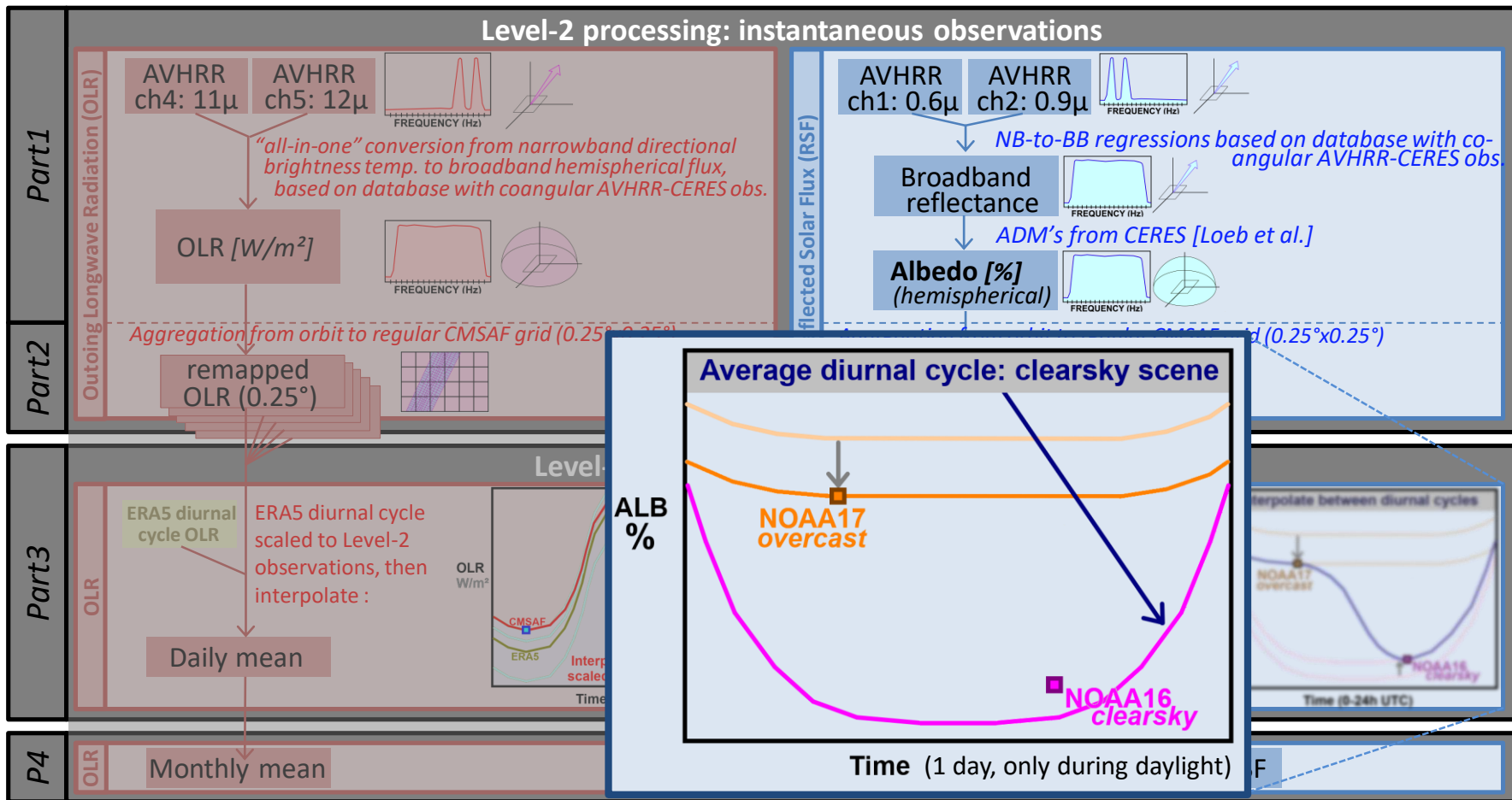
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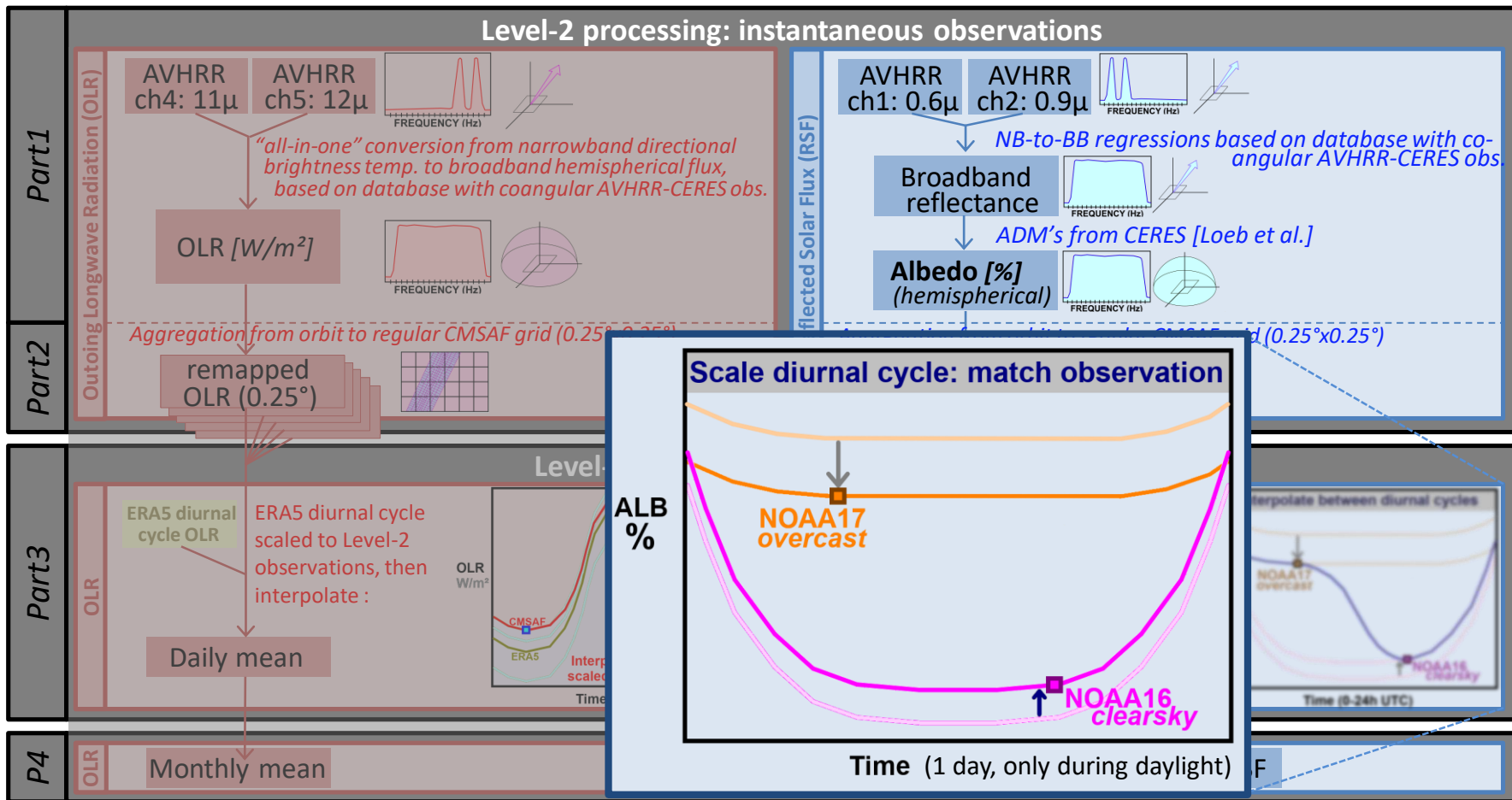
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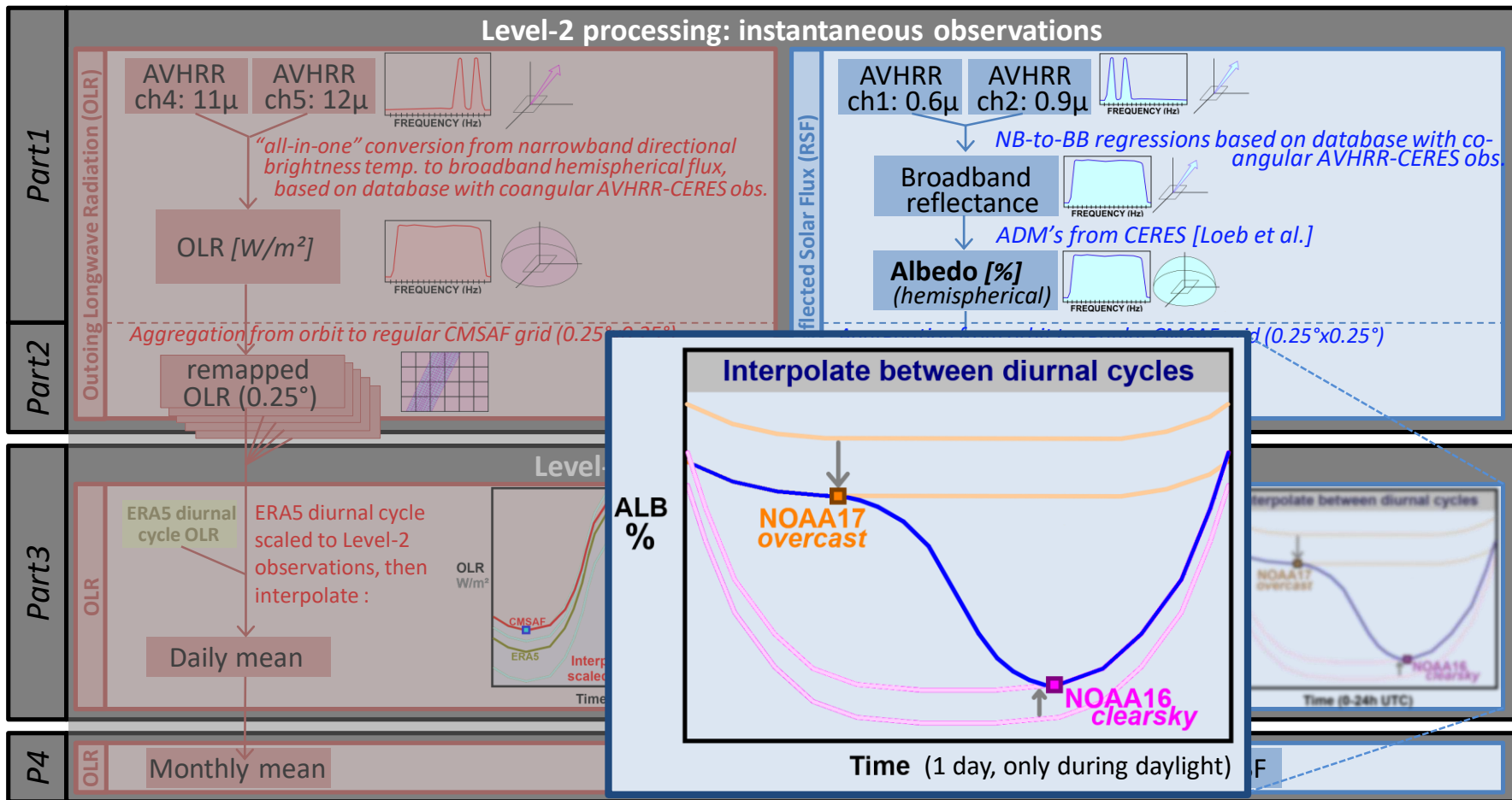
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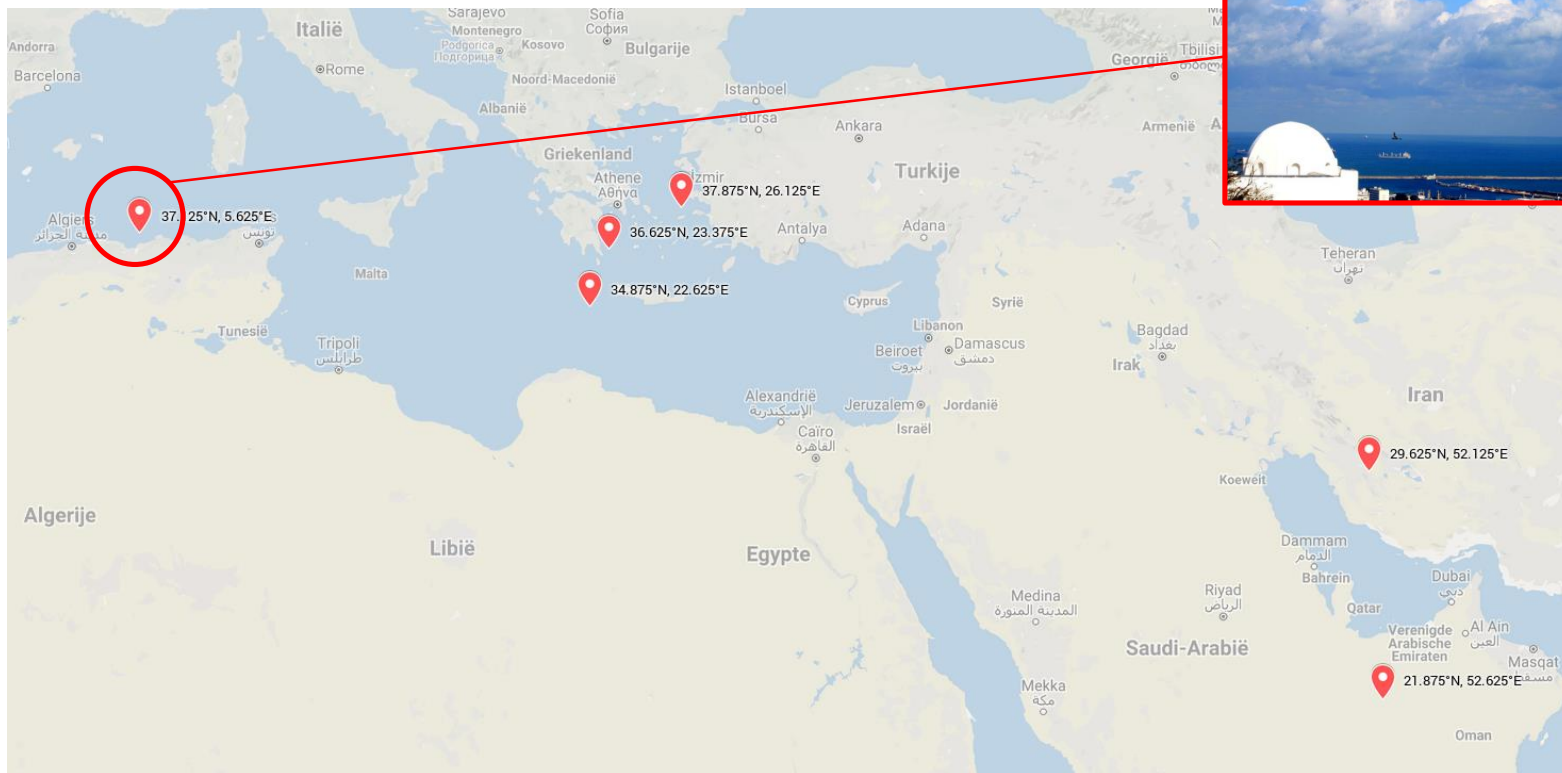
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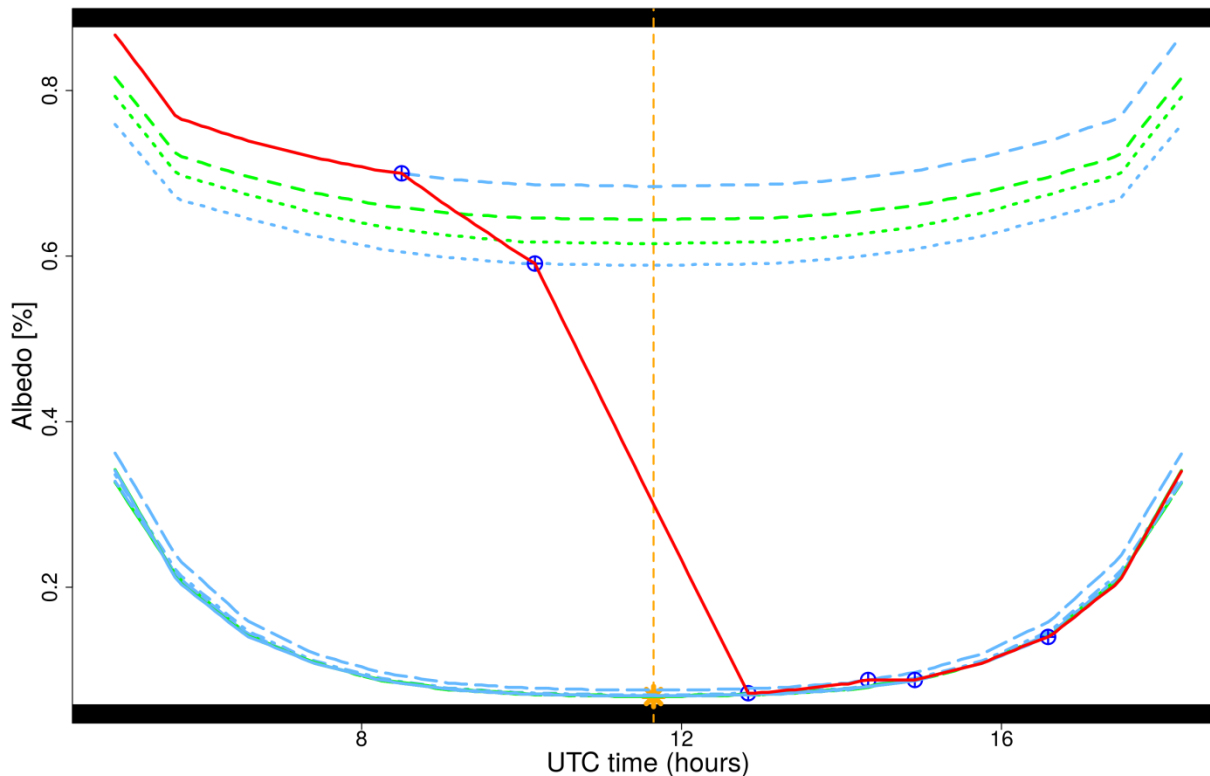


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Date: 20120613; Location: 37.125°N, 5.625°E



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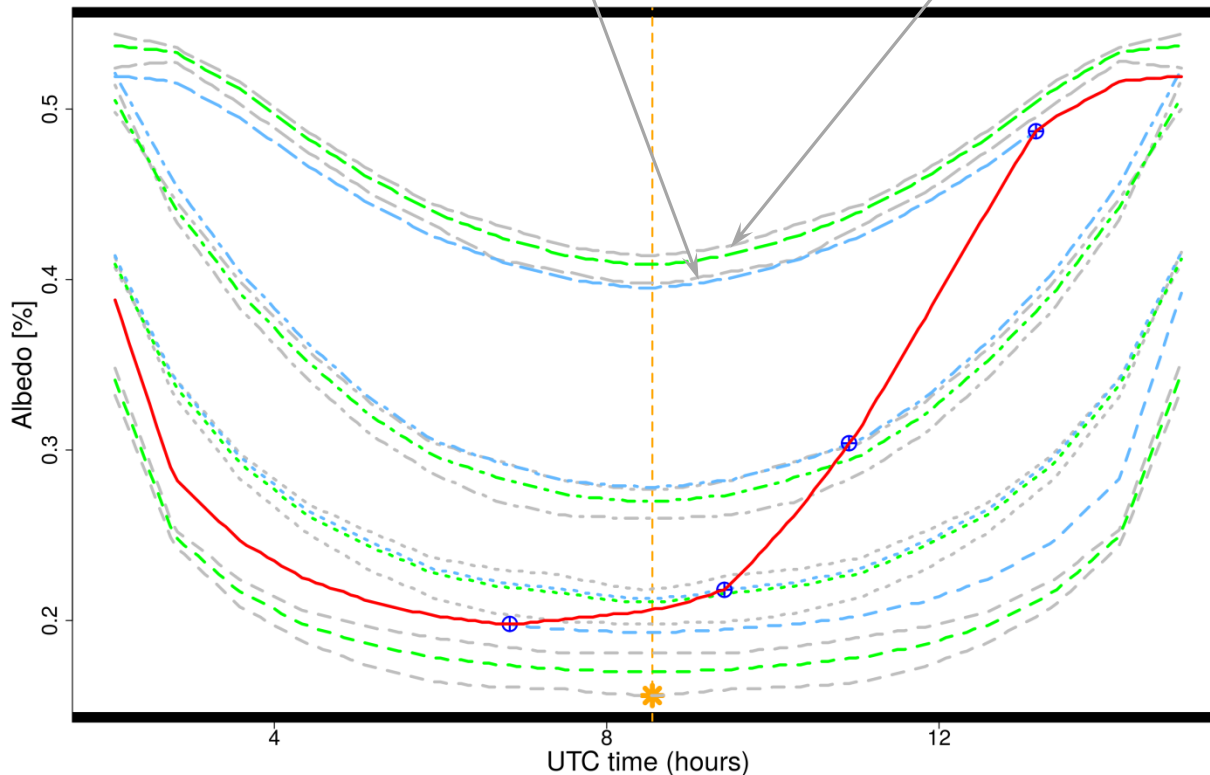
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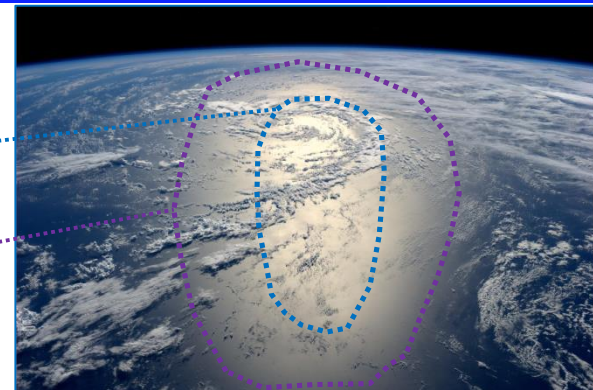
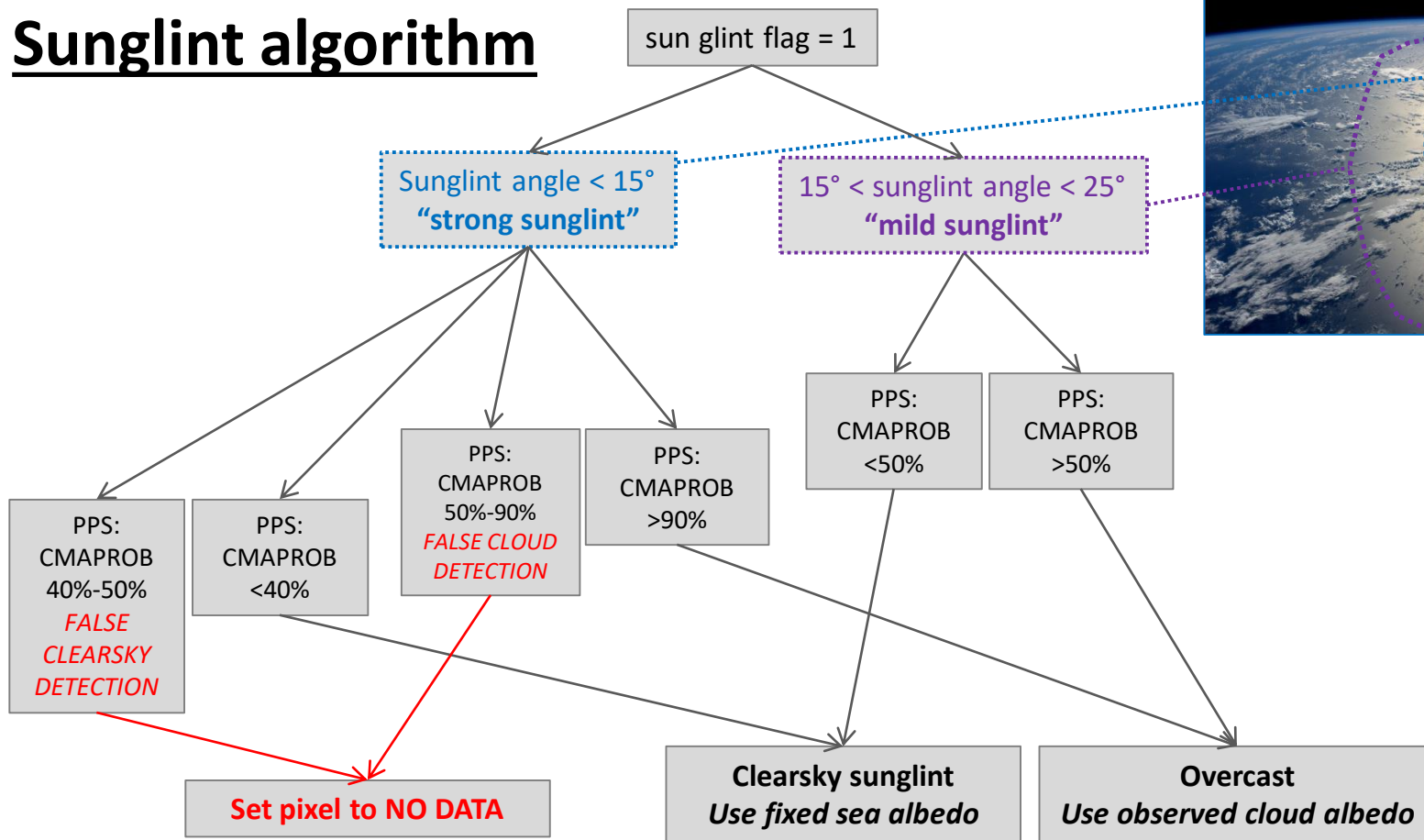
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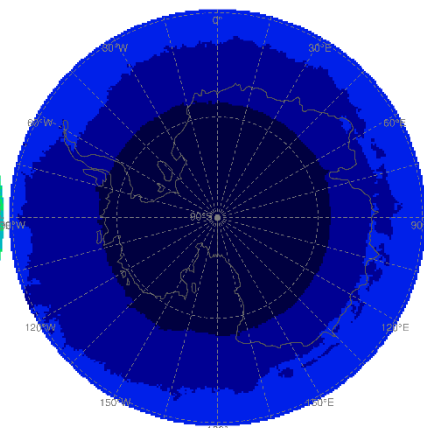
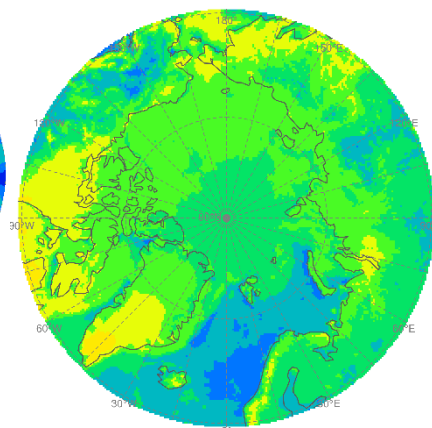
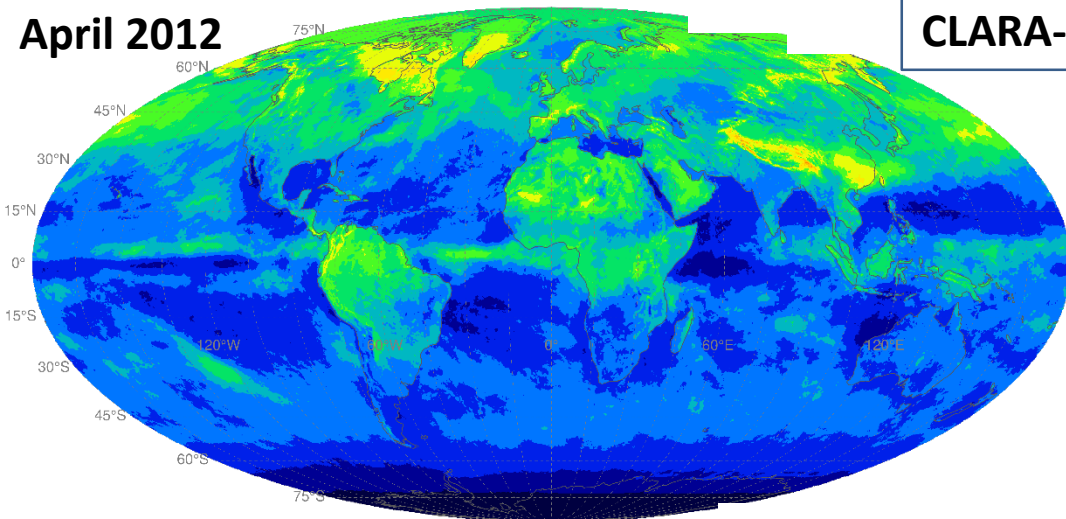
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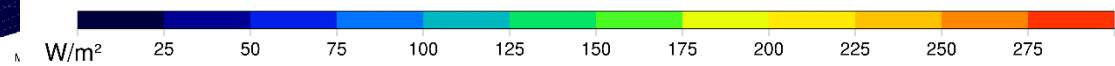
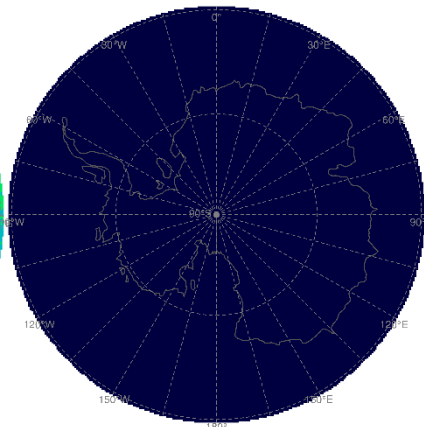
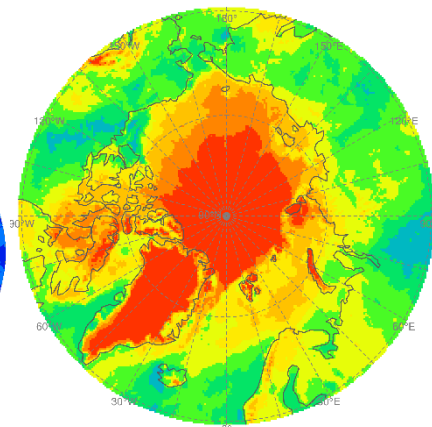
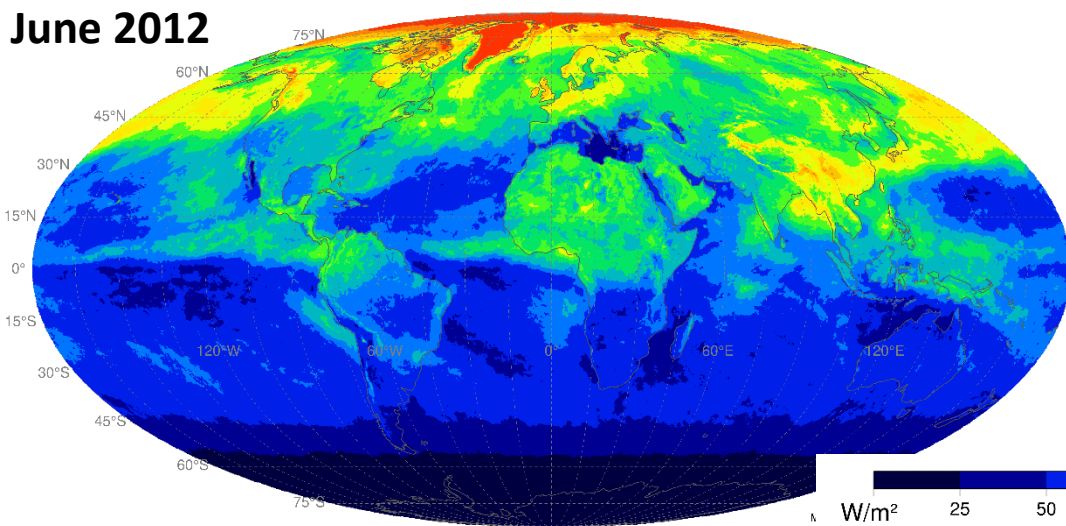


CLARA-A3 monthly mean RSF (W/m^2)

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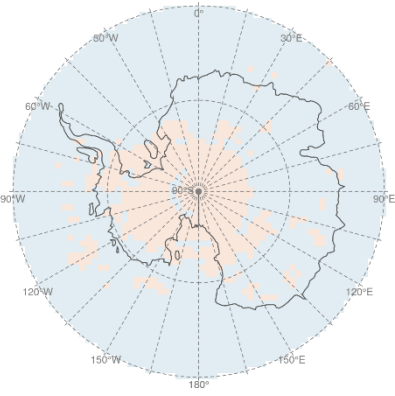
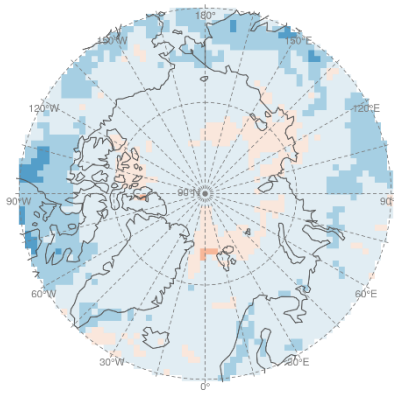
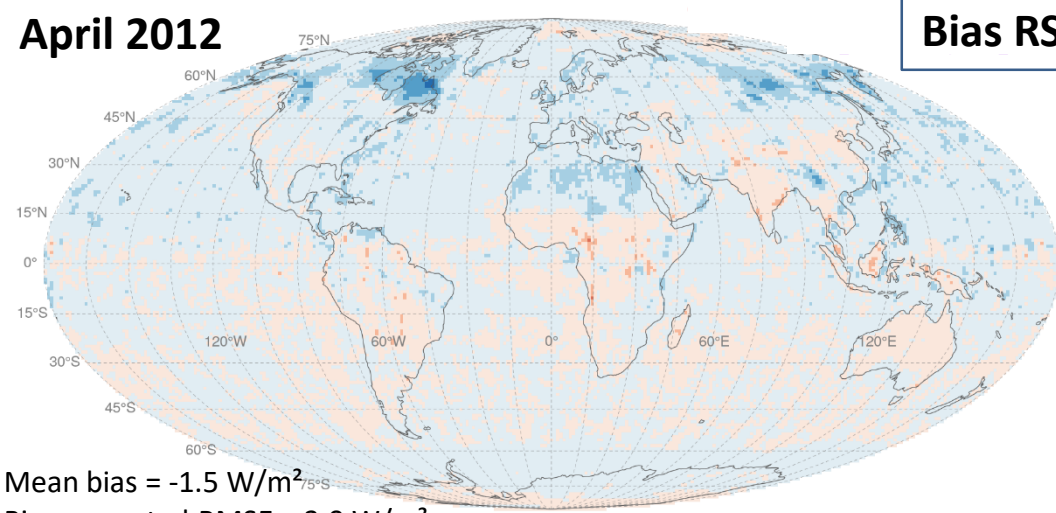


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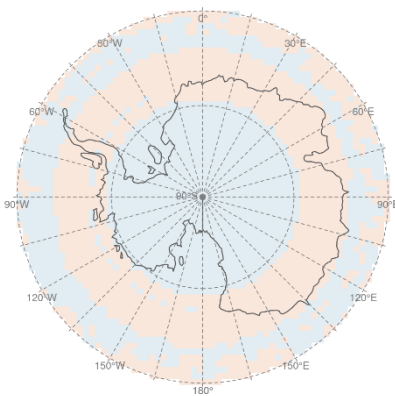
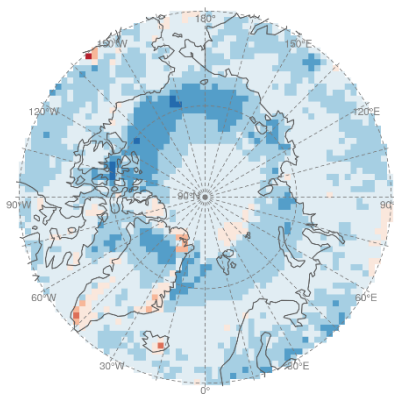
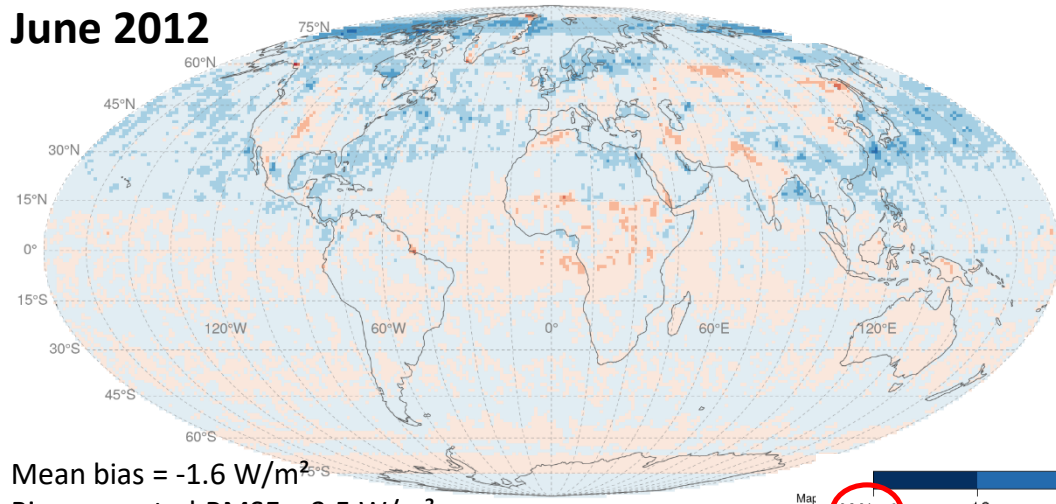
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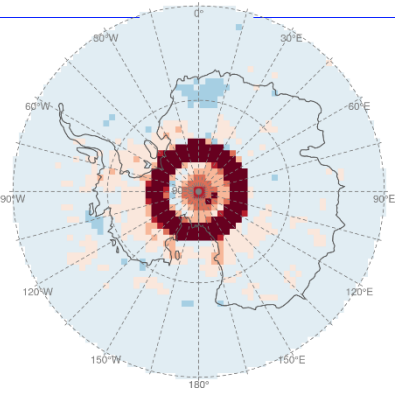
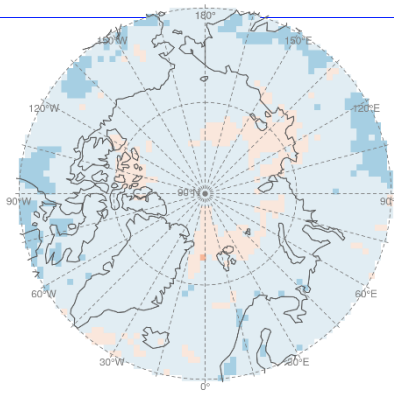
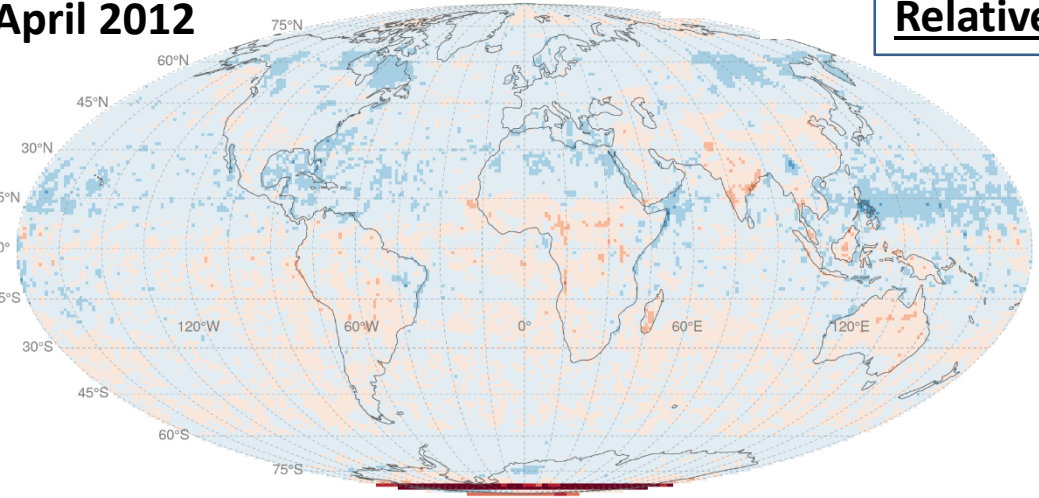


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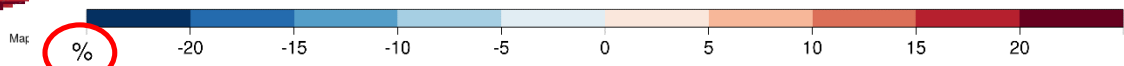
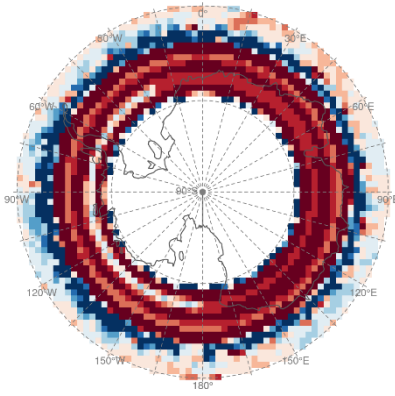
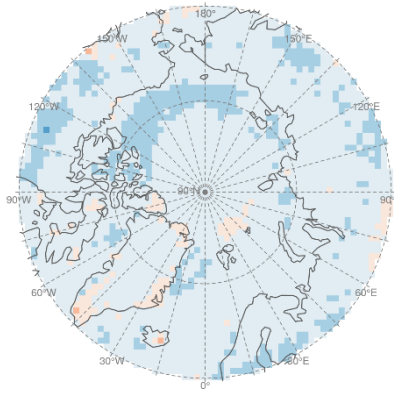
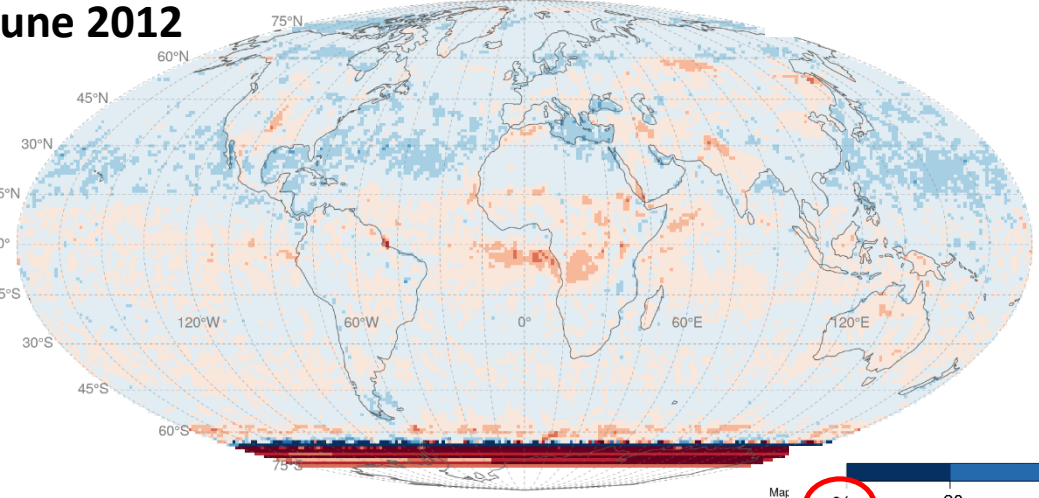


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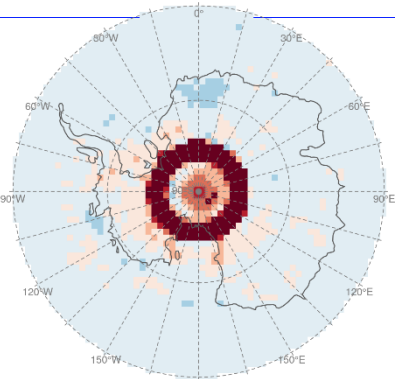
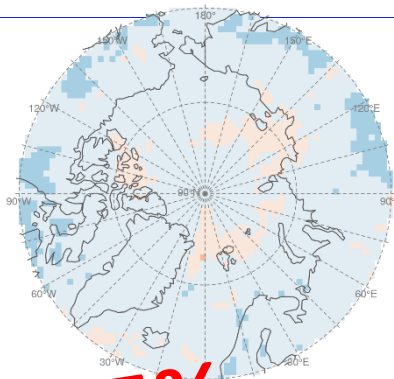
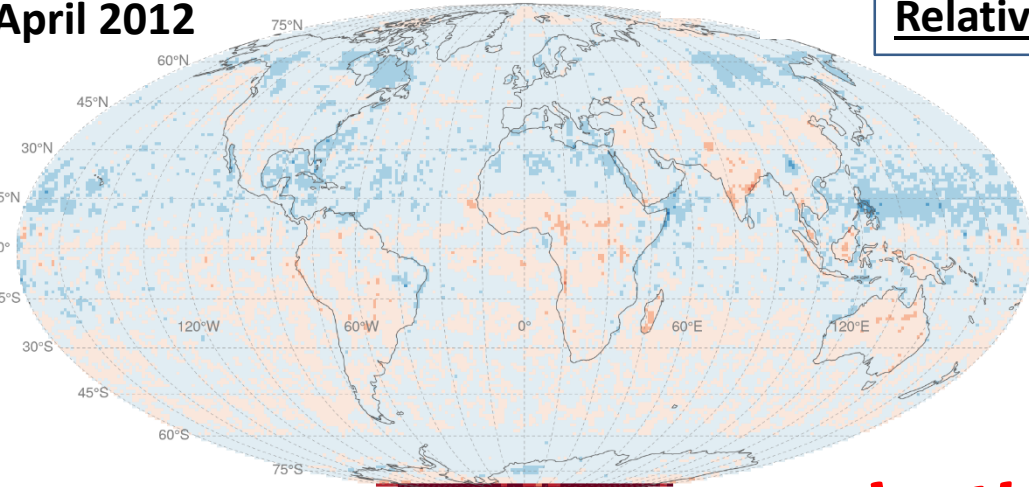


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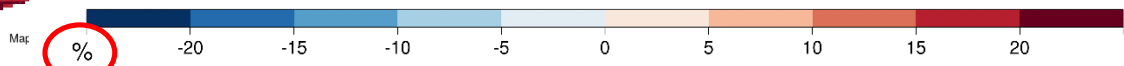
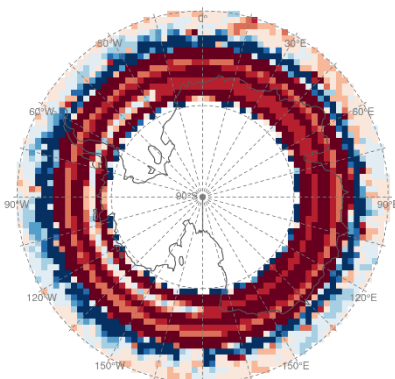
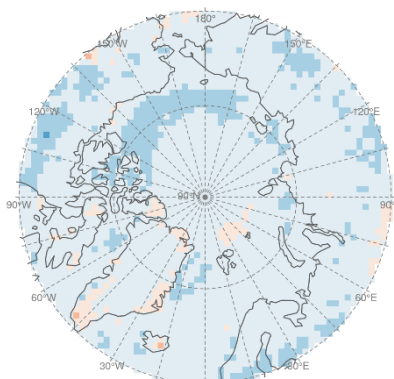
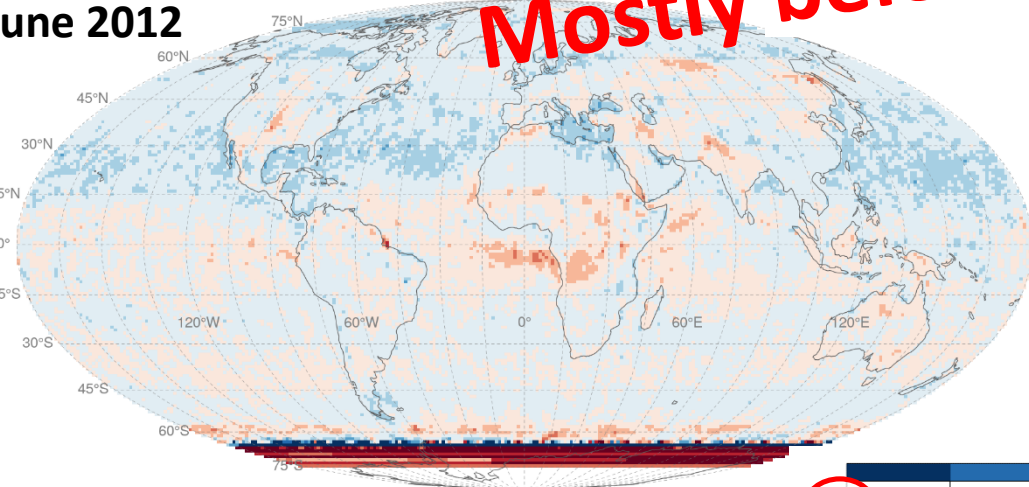
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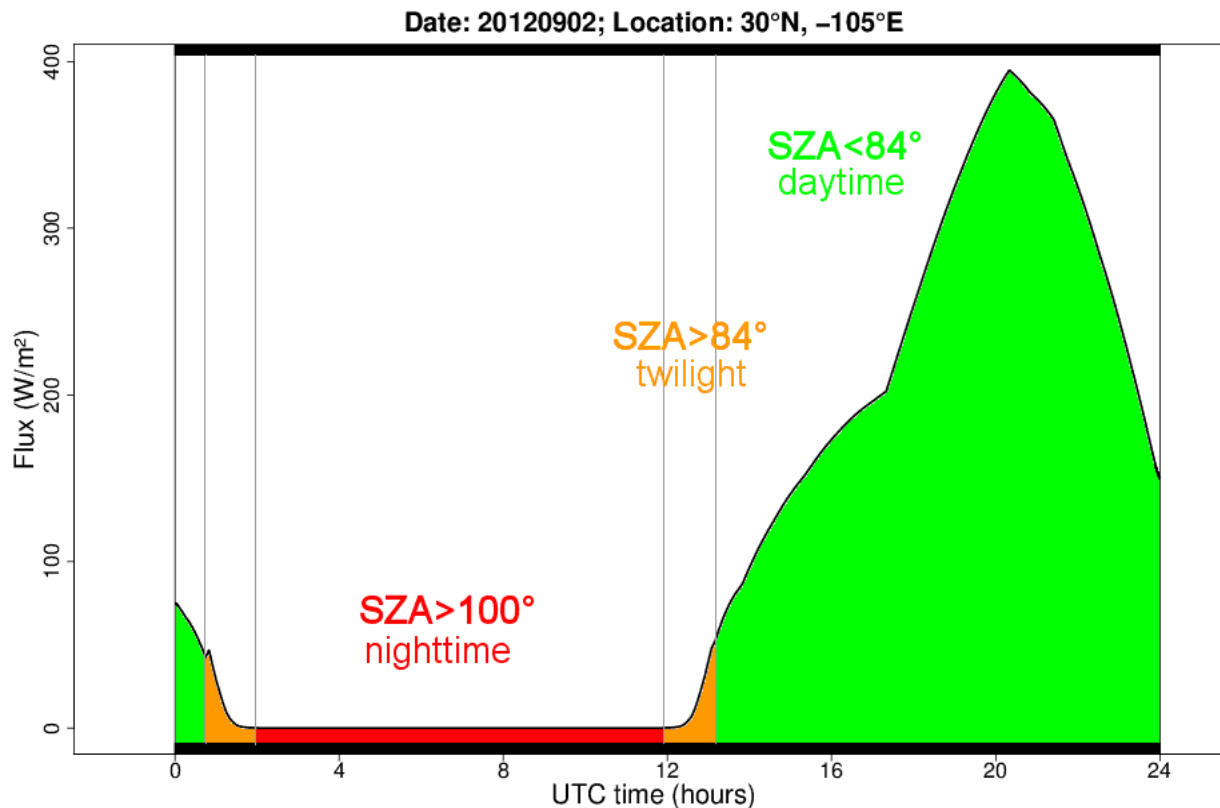
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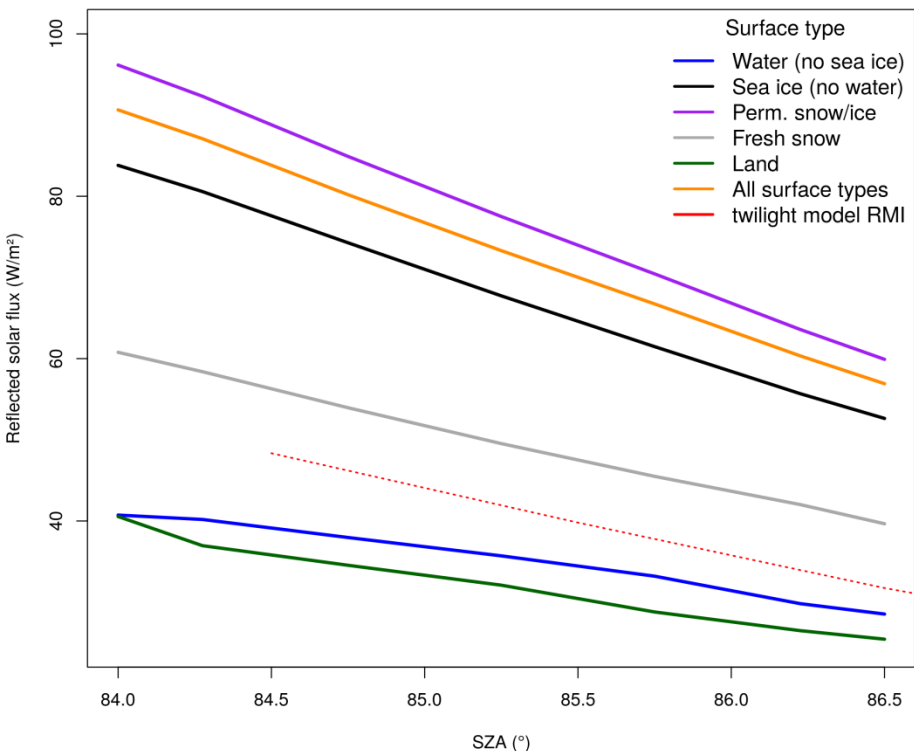
Twilight conditions when SZA is between 84°-100°



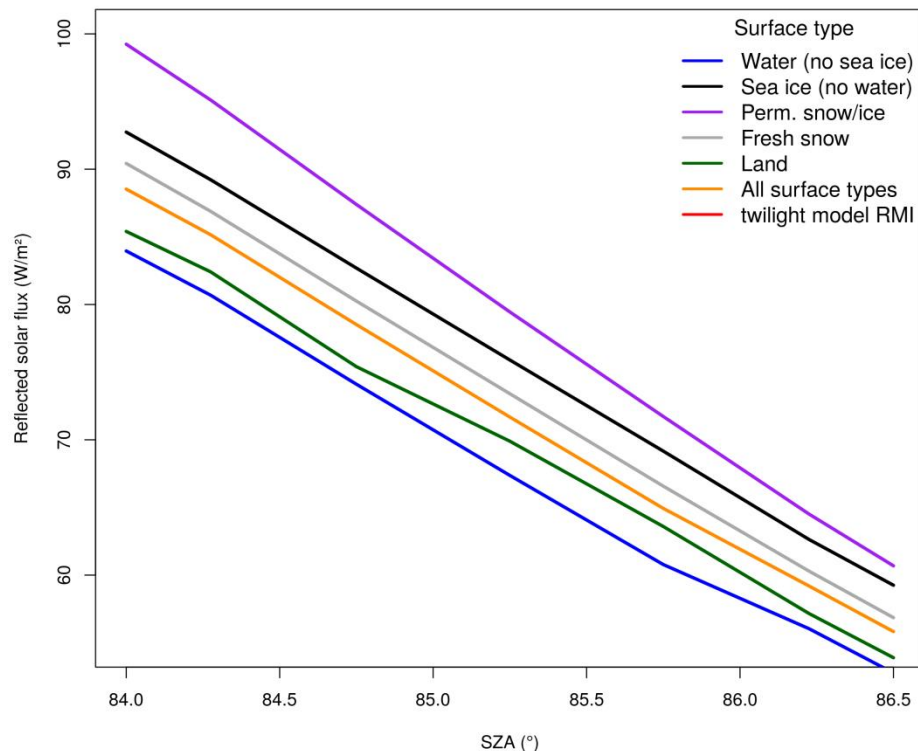
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Twilight: plot SSF Aqua/Terra CERES SW TOA flux (W/m^2) as function of SZA (limited at 86.5°)

Clearsky scenes

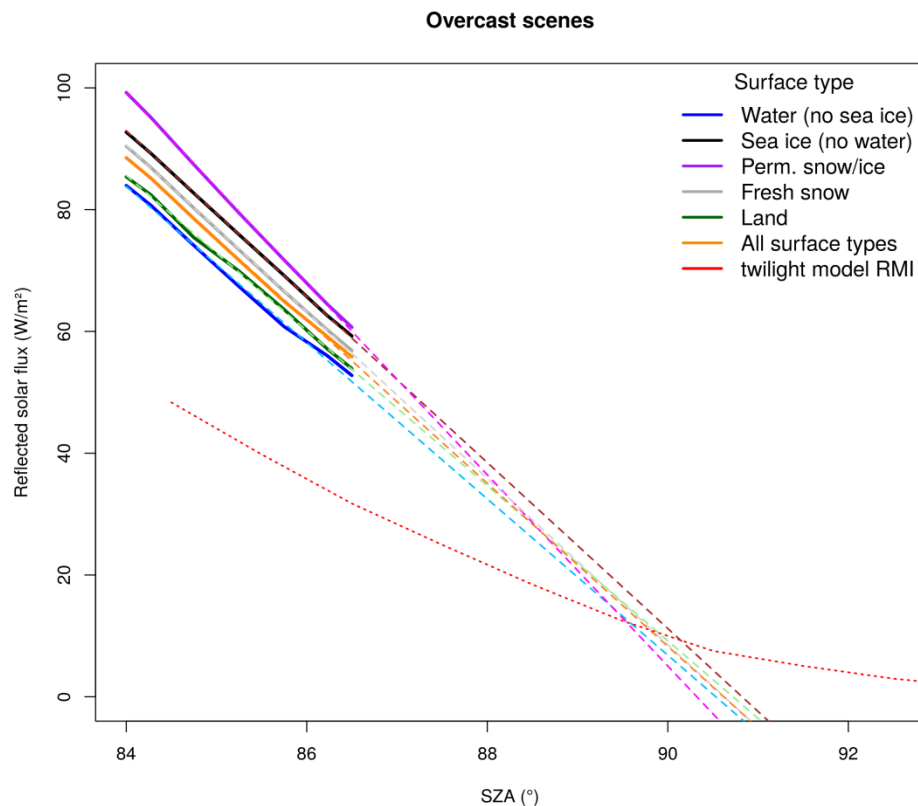
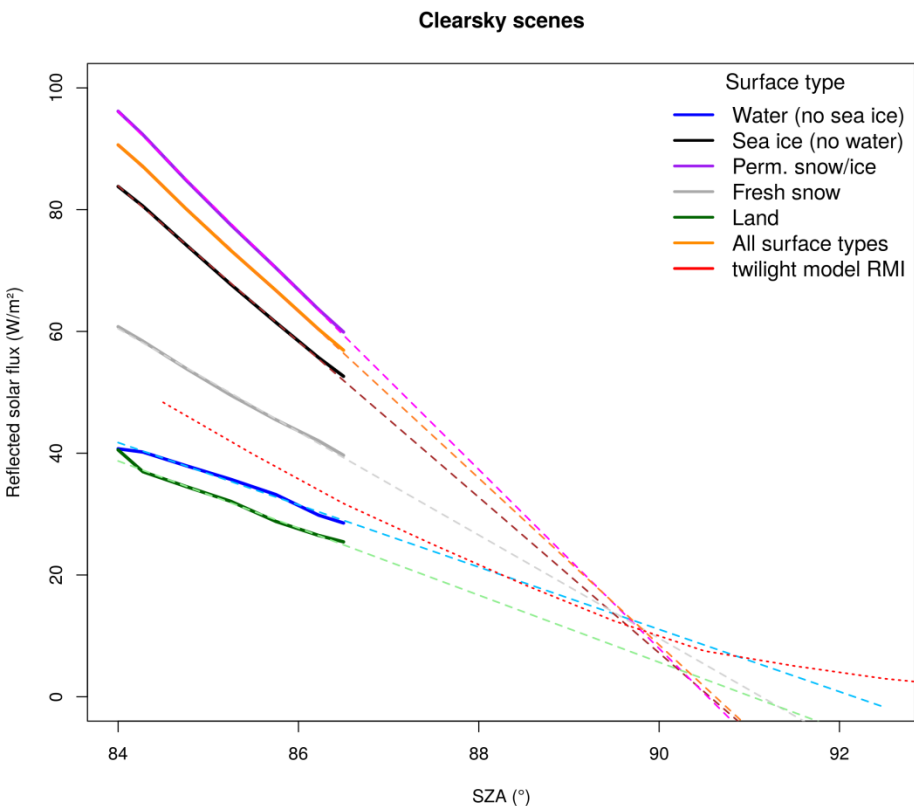


Overcast scenes



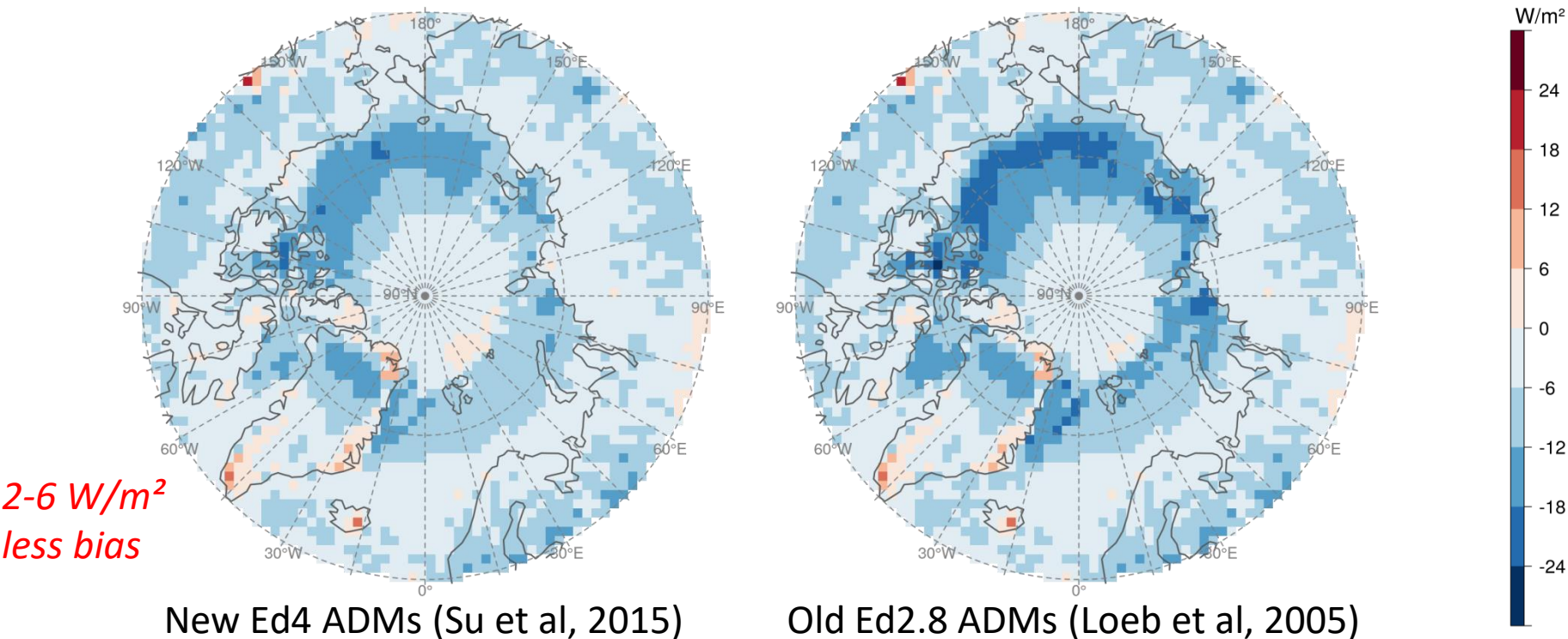
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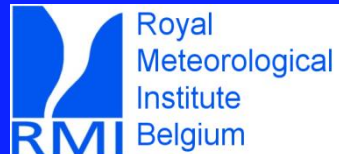
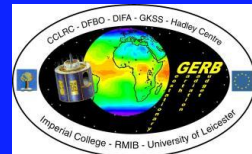
Twilight: derive linear regression on known data ($84^\circ < \text{SZA} < 86.5^\circ$) and extrapolate regression line



Impact of using new CERES ADMs (Ed.4): example for overcast sea-ice:

Bias of CLARA-A3 TOA RSF w.r.t. CERES EBAF (201206)



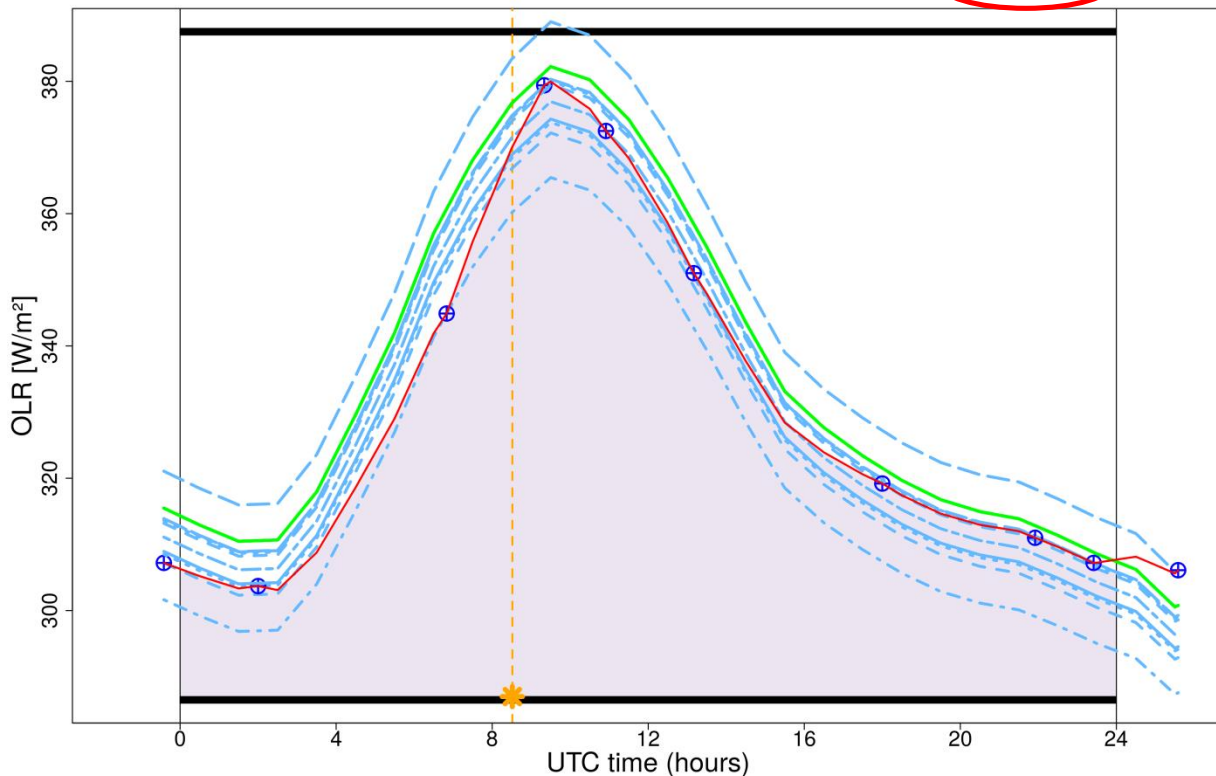




Thanks for your attention!

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- All satellites (N15-18-19/MetA) :

Date: 20120613; Location: 21.875°N, 52.625°E; Daily mean **329.2 W/m²**



-  Local solar noon
-  Observations

Corresponding diurnal cycle:

-  1
-  2
-  3
-  4
-  5
-  6
-  7
-  8