

Novel methods to retrieve Doppler spectral widths from EarthCARE-like spaceborne radars

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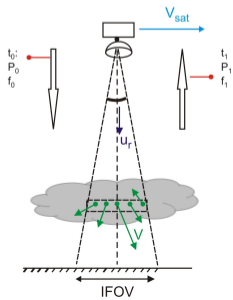
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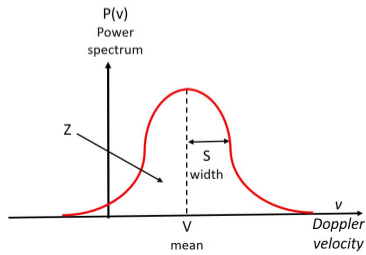
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EarthCARE CPR: 1st radar of its kind:

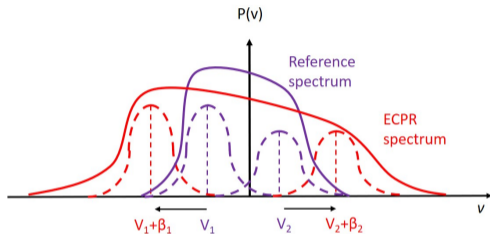
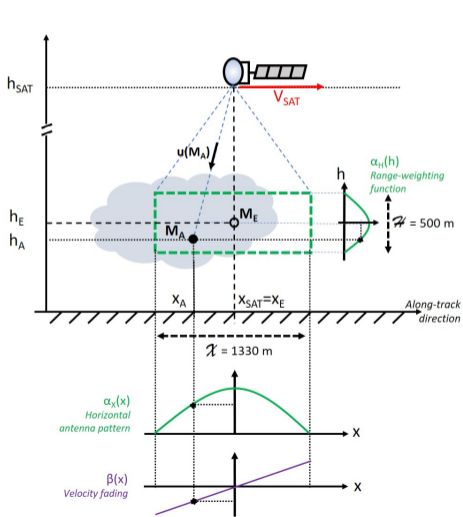
What Doppler results to expect?



	Launch	f	XT scan	Observables
TRMM PR	1997	Ku	✓	Z
CloudSat CPR	2006	W	×	Z
GPM DPR	2014	Ku, Ka	✓	Z
RainCube PR	2018	Ka	×	Z
EarthCARE CPR	2024	W	×	Z, V, S

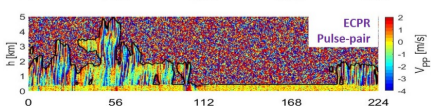
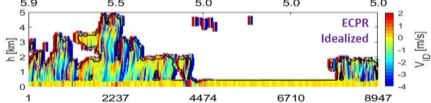
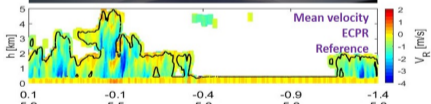
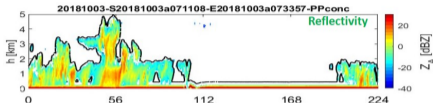


ECPR Idealized spectrum

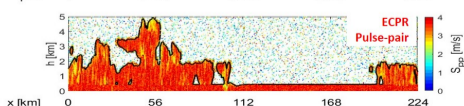
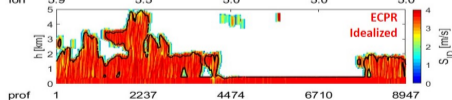
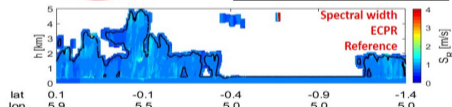


- Reference moments: (Z_R, V_R, S_R)
- Idealized moments: (Z_{ID}, V_{ID}, S_{ID})
 - NUBF bias: $V_{ID} \neq V_R$
 - Spectral broadening: $S_{ID} \gg S_R$
- Pulse-pair moments: (Z_{PP}, V_{PP}, S_{PP})
 - NUBF, broadening
 - random, noisy

Example: ECPR (PRF = 7 kHz) from sub-orbital APR3 in ORACLES (PI: dr. Jens Redemann)



Parameters	Ku-band	Ka-band	W-band
Frequency (GHz)	13.4	35.6	94.92
Polarization	HH, HV	HH	HH, VV
Antenna eff. Diameter	0.4 m	0.14 m	0.3 m
Antenna gain	34 dBi	34 dBi	50 dBi
Antenna Scan Angle	+/- 25	+/- 25	+/- 25
Peak Power	120 W	500 W	1400 W
Bandwidth	4 MHz	4 MHz	4 MHz
Pulsewidth	3-20 μ s	3-20 μ s	0.25, 0.5, 1 μ s
PRF	5 kHz	5 kHz	5 kHz
Vertical resolution	60 m	60 m	50, 80, 150 m
Hor. Res. (@10 Km alt.)	800 m	1000 m	200 m
Ground Swath	10 km	10 km	10 km
Sens. M (@10km range)	10 dBZ	-10 dBZ	-35 dBZ
Doppler precision	0.3 m/s	0.3 m/s	0.3 m/s



Why no correction for S ?

Mean velocity V - NUBF

- Tanelli et al. (2002), Durden et al. (2007), Kollias et al. (2014), Sy et al. (2014)

$$V = (W_{wind} - V_{term}) + \phi_{NUBF} \quad (1)$$

- $\phi_{NUBF} \propto (V_{SAT}, \mathbf{Z})$ (hierarchical) \Rightarrow can be corrected

Spectral width S - broadening

- Meneghini & Kozu (1990), Tanelli et al. (2002), Kollias et al. (2014)

$$S^2 = (S_{turb}^2 + S_{shear}^2 + S_{term}^2) + \psi_{BROAD} \quad (2)$$

- $\psi_{BROAD}(V_{SAT}, \theta_{3dB}) \neq f(\mathbf{Z}, V)$ (not hierarchical) \Rightarrow (2) not useable for correction

Canonical Doppler resampling: Fading(0), Znubf(0), Vnubf(0)

Reference config

- $\theta_z = dZ_A/dx = 0$
- $\theta_v = dV_A/dx = 0$

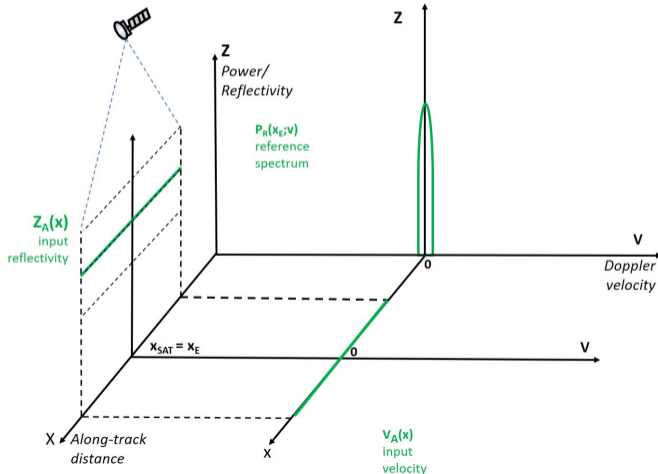
No velocity fading

- $V_{SAT} = 0$ m/s

Spectra

Reference vs Input

- Bias(V) = 0
- No broadening



Canonical Doppler resampling: Fading(0), Znumf(0), Vnumf(1)

Reference config

- $\theta_z = dZ_A/dx = 0$
- $\theta_v = dV_A/dx > 0$

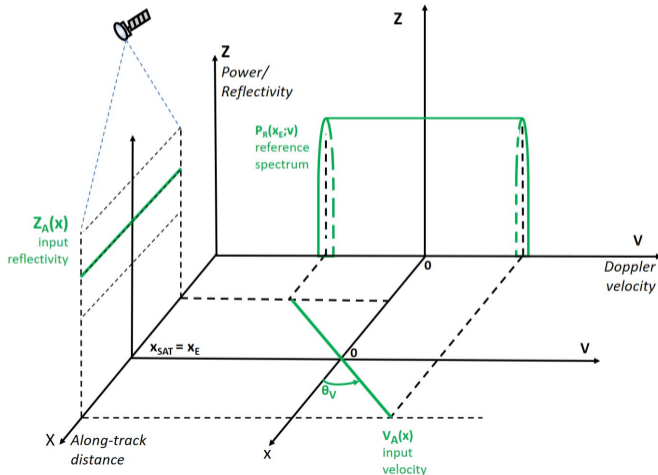
No velocity fading

- $V_{SAT} = 0$ m/s

Spectra

Reference vs Input

- **Bias(V) = 0**
- **Broadening**



Canonical Doppler resampling: Fading(0), Znubf(-1), Vnubf(1)

Reference config

- $\theta_z = dZ_A/dx < 0$
- $\theta_v = dV_A/dx > 0$

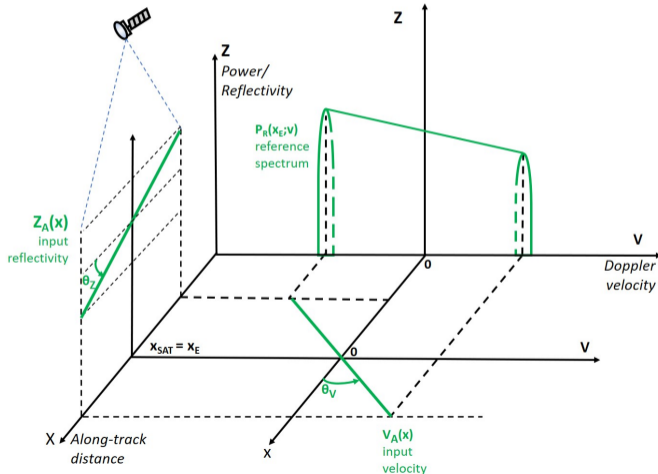
No velocity fading

- $V_{SAT} = 0$ m/s

Spectra

Reference vs Input

- Bias(V) < 0
- Broadening



Canonical Doppler resampling: Fading(0), Znumf(1), Vnumf(1)

Reference config

- $\theta_z = dZ_A/dx > 0$
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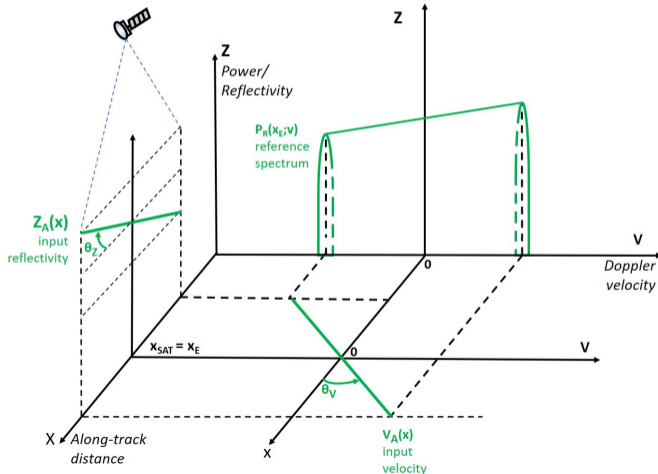
No velocity fading

- $V_{SAT} = 0$ m/s

Spectra

Reference vs Input

- **Bias(V) > 0**
- **Broadening**



Canonical Doppler resampling: Fading(1), Znumf(1), Vnumf(1)

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- $\theta_z = dZ_A/dx > 0$
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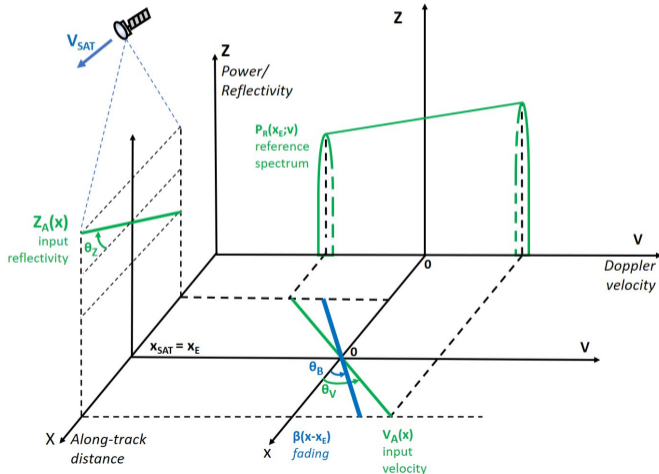
Velocity fading

- $\theta_B = V_{SAT}/H_{SAT}$

Spectra

Reference vs Input

- Bias(V) > 0
- Broadening



Canonical Doppler resampling: Fading(1), Znumf(1), Vnumf(1)

Reference config

- $\theta_z = dZ_A/dx > 0$
- $\theta_v = dV_A/dx > 0$

Velocity fading

- $\theta_B = V_{SAT}/H_{SAT}$

Spectra

Reference vs Input

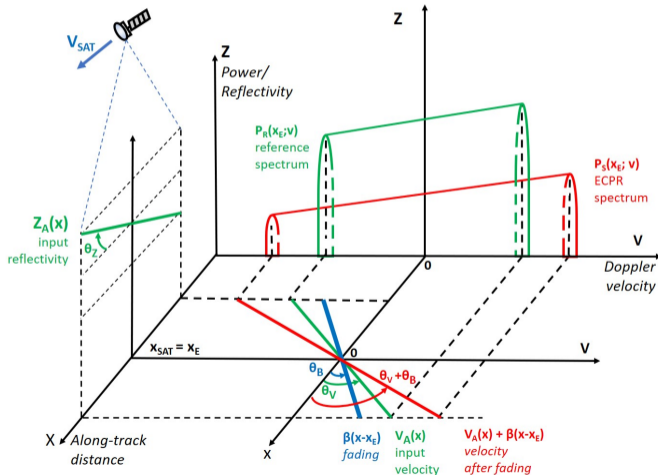
- Bias(V) > 0
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ECPR vs Input

- Bias(V) > 0
- Broadening

ECPR vs Reference

- Bias(V) > 0
- Broadening



Canonical Doppler resampling: Fading(1), Znumf(1), Vnumf(-1)

Reference config

- $\theta_z = dZ_A/dx > 0$
- $\theta_v = dV_A/dx < 0$

Velocity fading

- $\theta_B = V_{SAT}/H_{SAT}$

Spectra

Reference vs Input

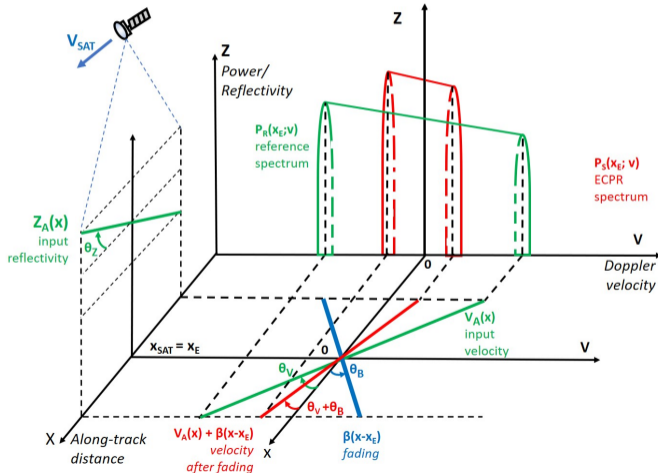
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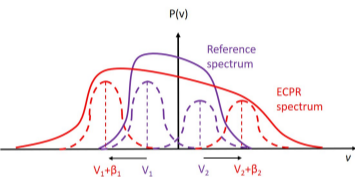
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ECPR vs Reference

- Bias(V) > 0
- Shrinkage



Idealized ECPR moments



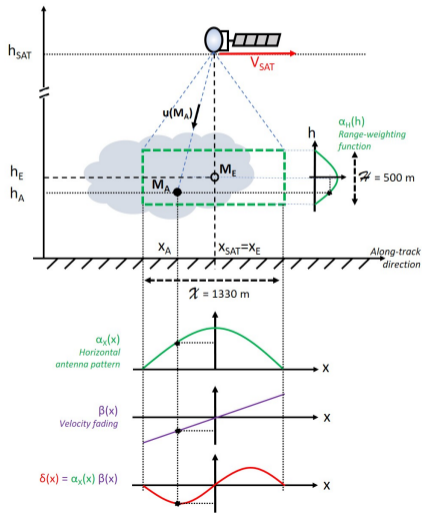
$$\mathcal{P}_I(x_I; v) = \int_{\mathcal{L}} U_J(x_I - x_E) \int_{\mathcal{X}} \alpha_X(x_E - x_A) P_A[x_A; v + \beta(x_E - x_A)] dx_A dx_E$$

Doppler moments by integration wrt v

$$Z_{ID} = U_J * \alpha_X * Z_A = Z_R$$

- U_J : along-track integration
- α_X : antenna pattern
- $(*)$: convolution ¹

¹for any functions F_1 and F_2 , $F_1(x_I) * F_2(x_I) = \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} F_1(x_I - x) F_2(x) dx$.

Idealized ECPR moments: by v -integration Analytical

$$V_{ID} \sim V_R + \phi_L$$

$$\phi_L \propto \frac{V_{SAT}}{h_{SAT}} \mathcal{A}_2 \frac{Z'_{ID}}{Z_{ID}}$$

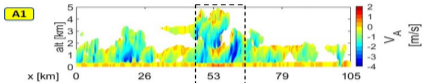
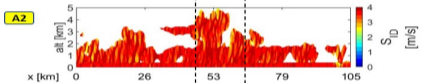
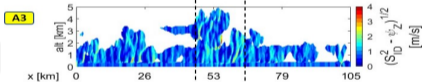
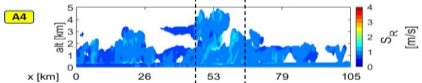
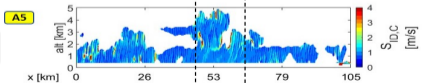
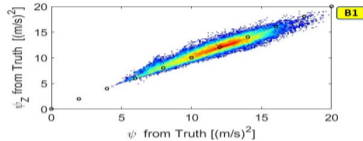
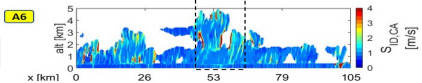
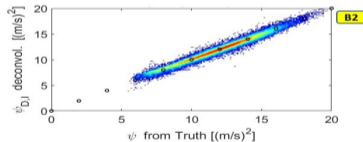
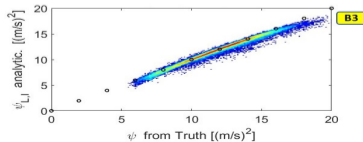
$$S_{ID}^2 \sim S_R^2 + \psi_{V,L} + \psi_{Z,L}$$

$$\psi_{V,L} \propto \frac{V_{SAT}}{h_{SAT}} \mathcal{A}_2 V'_{ID,C}$$

$$\psi_{Z,L} \propto \left(\frac{V_{SAT}}{h_{SAT}} \right)^2 \mathcal{A}_2 \frac{1 + D_4 \frac{Z''_{ID}}{Z_{ID}}}{1 + D_2 \frac{Z''_{ID}}{Z_{ID}}} - \phi_L^2$$

- in uniform beamfilling: $\psi_{UBF} = \left(\frac{V_{SAT}}{h_{SAT}} \right)^2 \mathcal{A}_2 \sim (3.6 \text{ m/s})^2$
- \mathcal{A}_2, D_2, D_4 : factors of variance and kurtosis of U_j and α_X

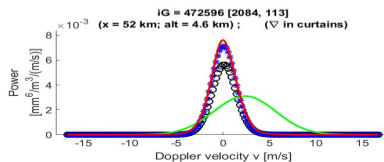
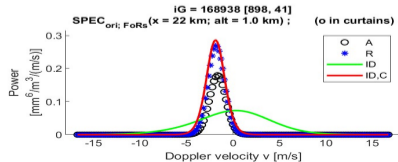
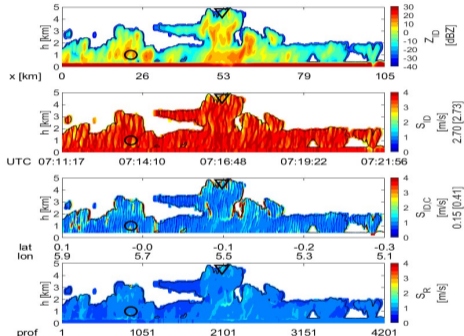
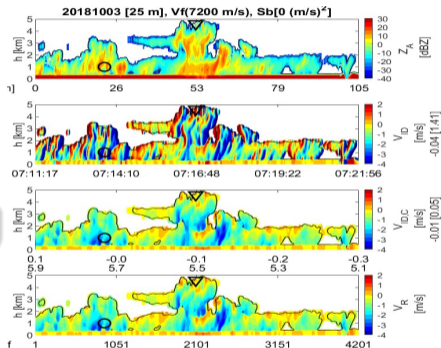
Example: ECPR idealized scale analysis

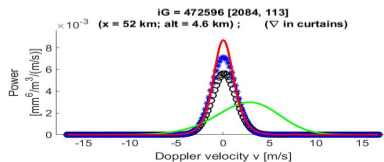
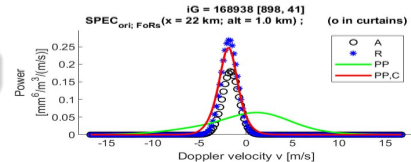
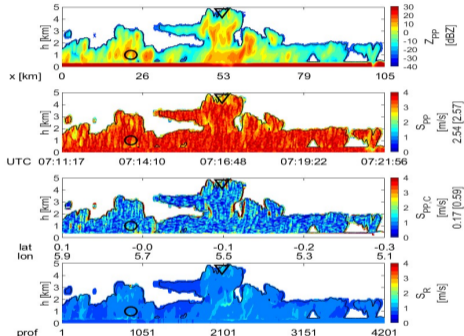
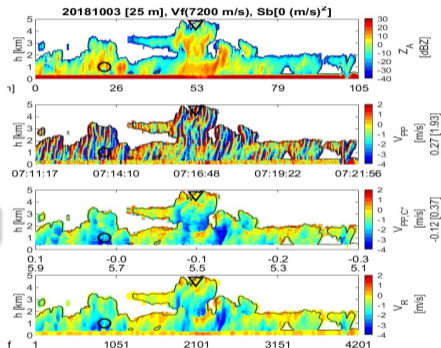
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Example: ECPR idealized ($V_{FAD} = 7.2$ km/s)Input Z_A ECPR Z_{ID} ECPR V_{ID} ECPR S_{ID} Corrected V_{ID} Corrected S_{ID} Ref. V_R Ref. S_R

Post spectra ○

Post spectra ▽



Example: ECPR pulse pair ($V_{FAD} = 7.2$ km/s)Input Z_A ECPR Z_{PP} ECPR V_{PP} ECPR
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CConDoR approach: Complex Convolutional Doppler Resampling

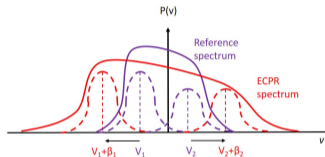
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Inverse Fourier transform wrt ν

$$Q_I(x_I, \tau) = \Gamma_I(x_I, \tau) * Q_A(x_I, \tau)$$

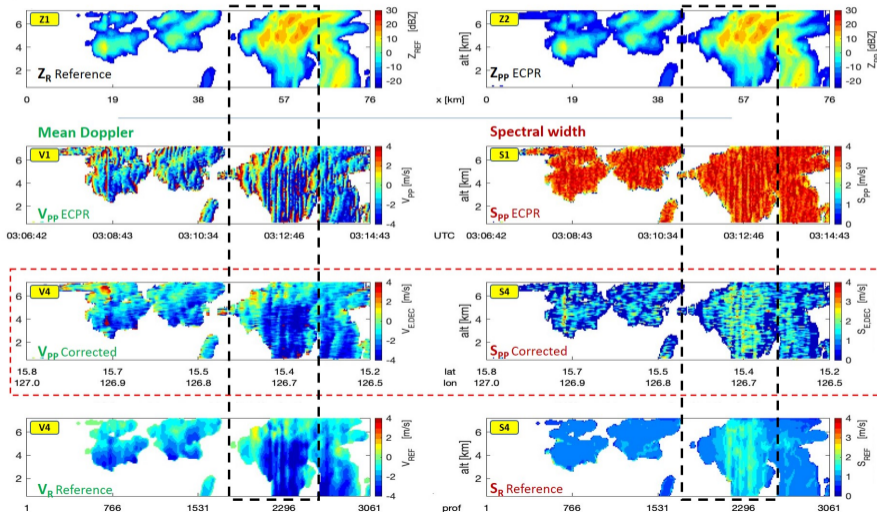
- $Q_I = \mathcal{F}_\nu^{-1} [P_I]$: ECPR correlation (lag τ)
- $Q_A = \mathcal{F}_\nu^{-1} [P_A]$: Input correlation (unaffected by V_{SAT})

$$\Gamma_I(x, \tau) = U_J(x) * \left[\alpha_X(x) e^{-i4\pi \frac{\tau}{\lambda} \beta(x)} \right]$$



By deconvolution

- NUBF correction
- broadening correction
- resolution enhancement

Example from CAMP²EX 2019/09/16: ECPR pulse pair

Thank you for your attention

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