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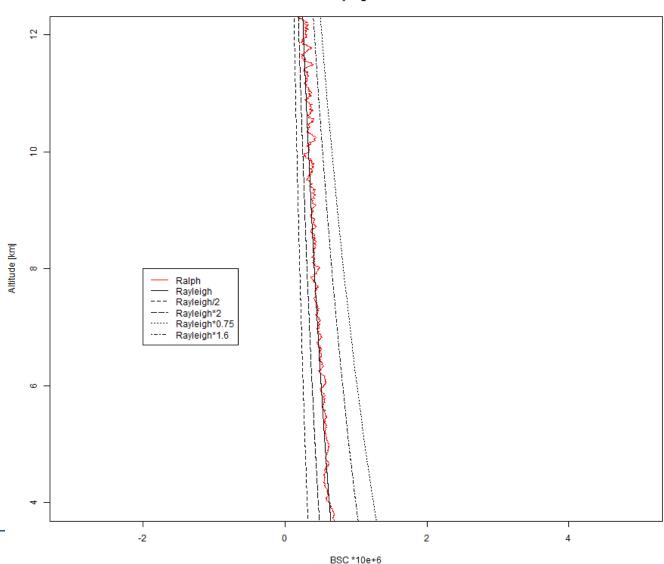
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Motivation 1 good signal quality for Rayleigh calibration



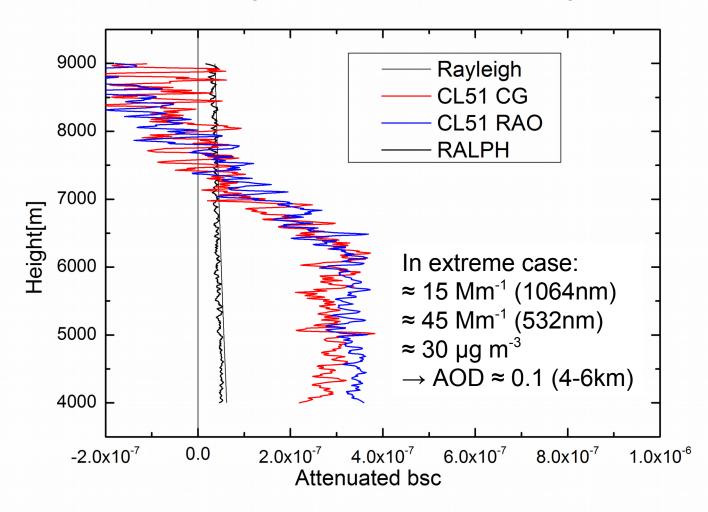




2015-7-1, from 0h to 24h



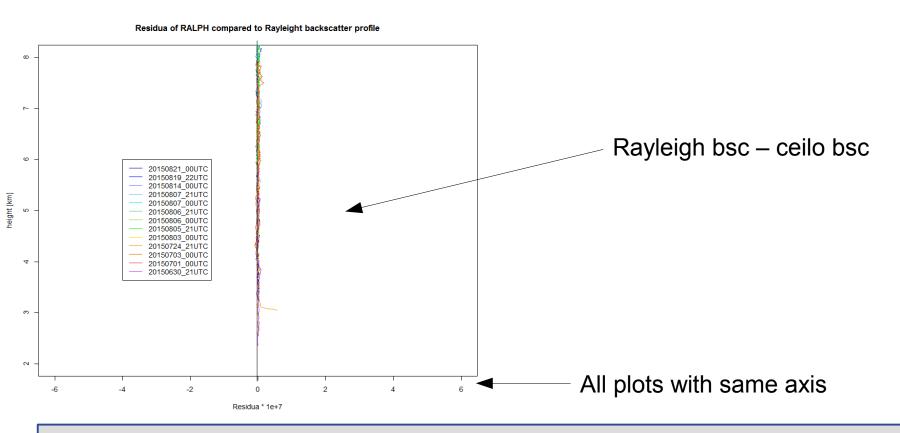
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Normalized Residuals RALPH



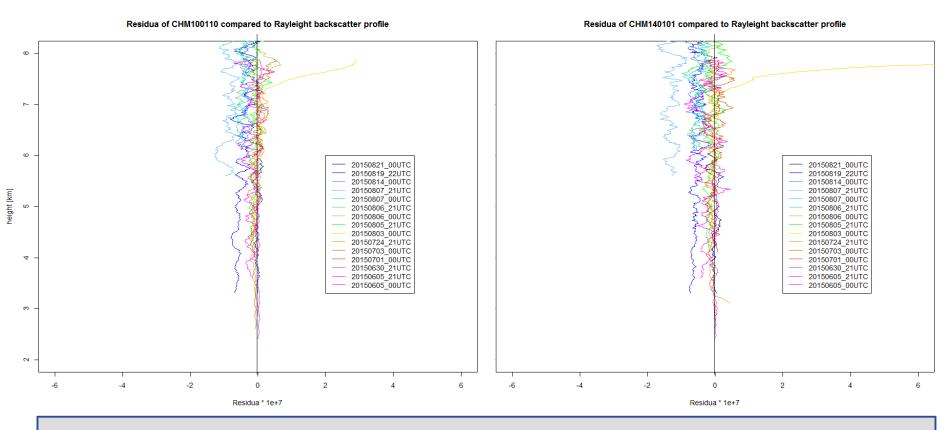


- Very low noise
- No vertical structures
- → RALPH can provide a reference for signal shape in free troposphere



Normalized Residuals CHMs



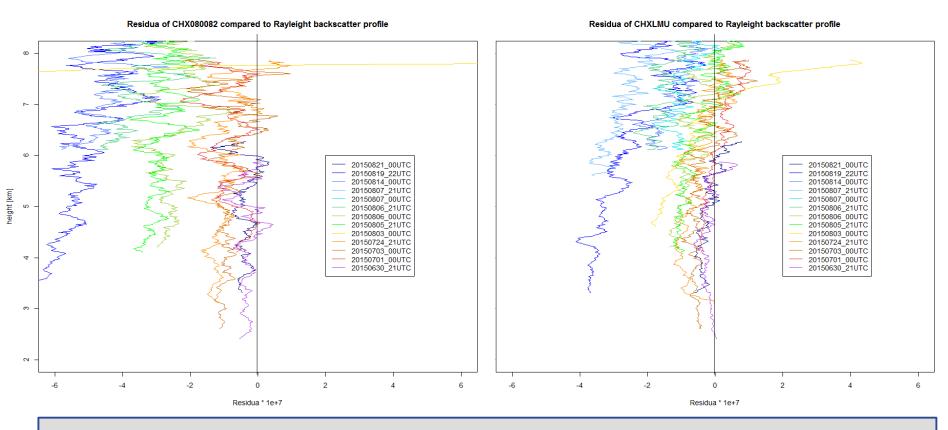


- Noisier than RALPH
- Problems with normalization
- No dependence on altitude



Normalized Residuals CHXs



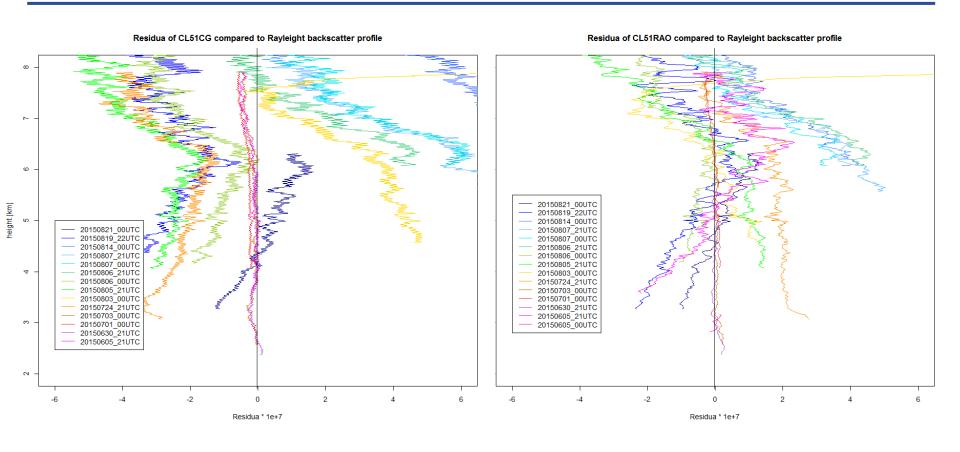


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Normalized Residuals CL51s



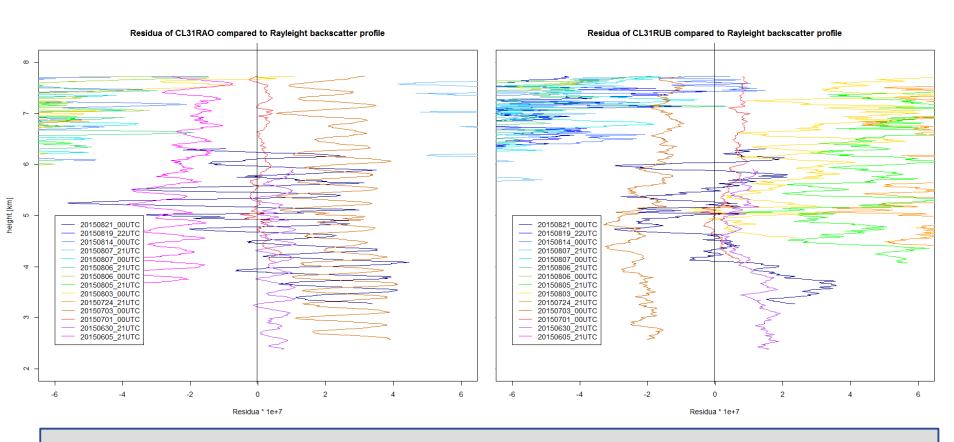


- Some profiles good, some less good
- Characteristic, altitude dependent shapes



Normalized Residuals CL31s



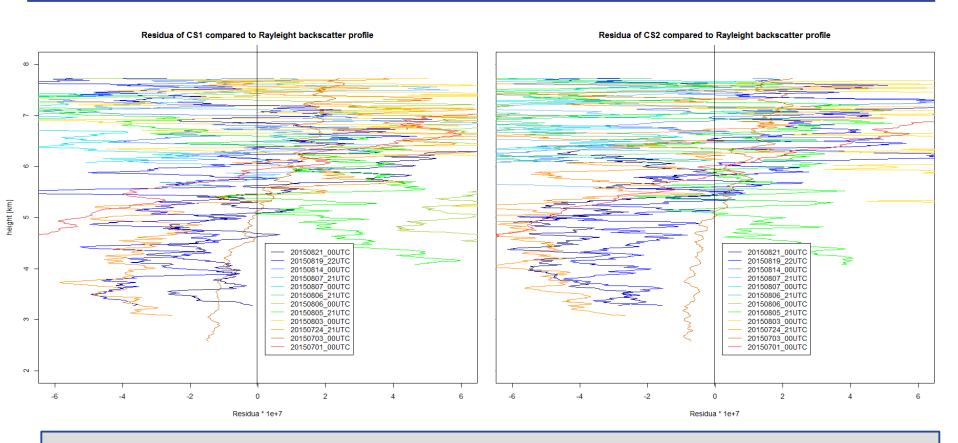


- profiles only up to 8km
- Very noisy
- "ringing structures" (from our smoothing?)



Normalized Residuals CS135s





- profiles only up to 8km (instruments in "Vaisala mode")
- Very noisy
- Characteristic, altitude dependent shapes

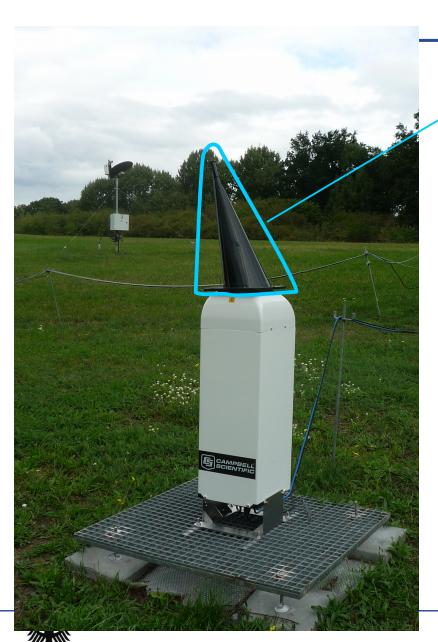


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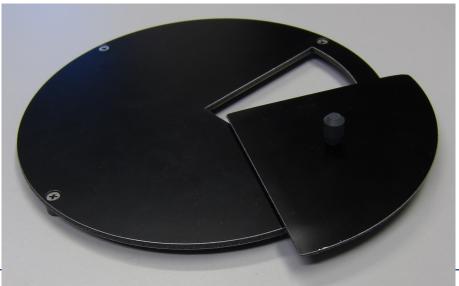






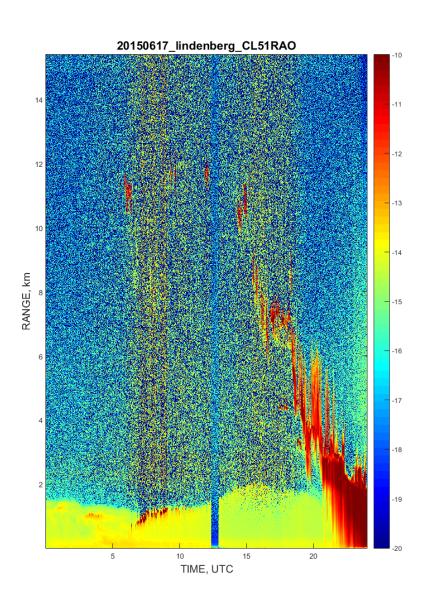
"Termination hood" (Vaisala)

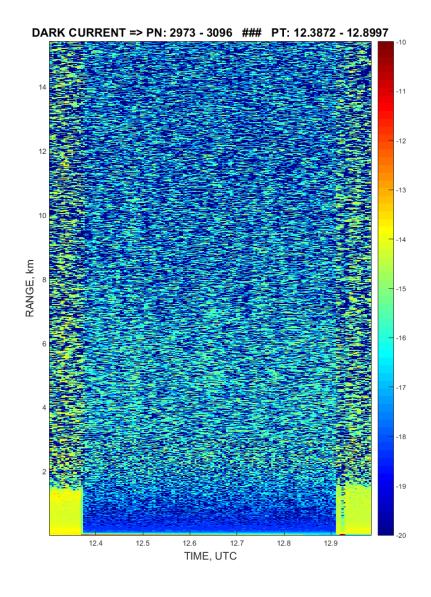
"Telecover tool" (DWD) for Lufft instruments



Dark-current measurement -example





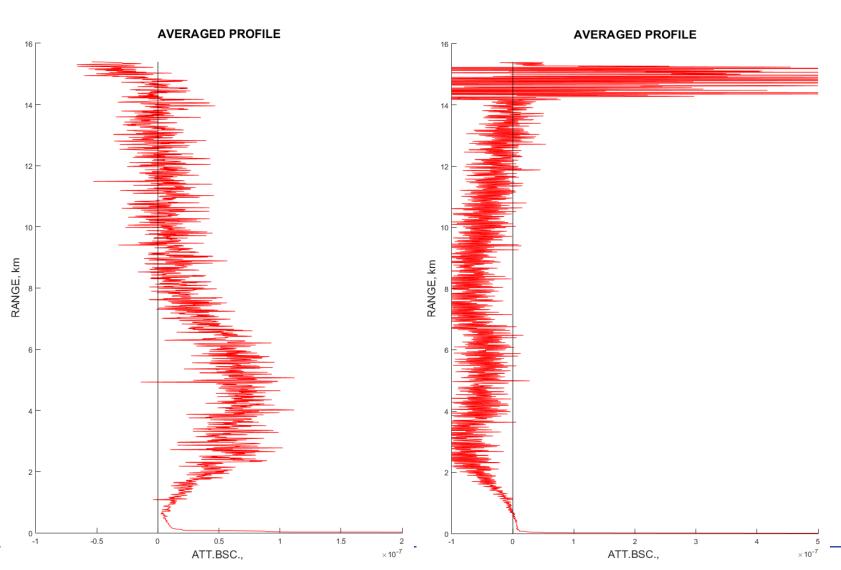






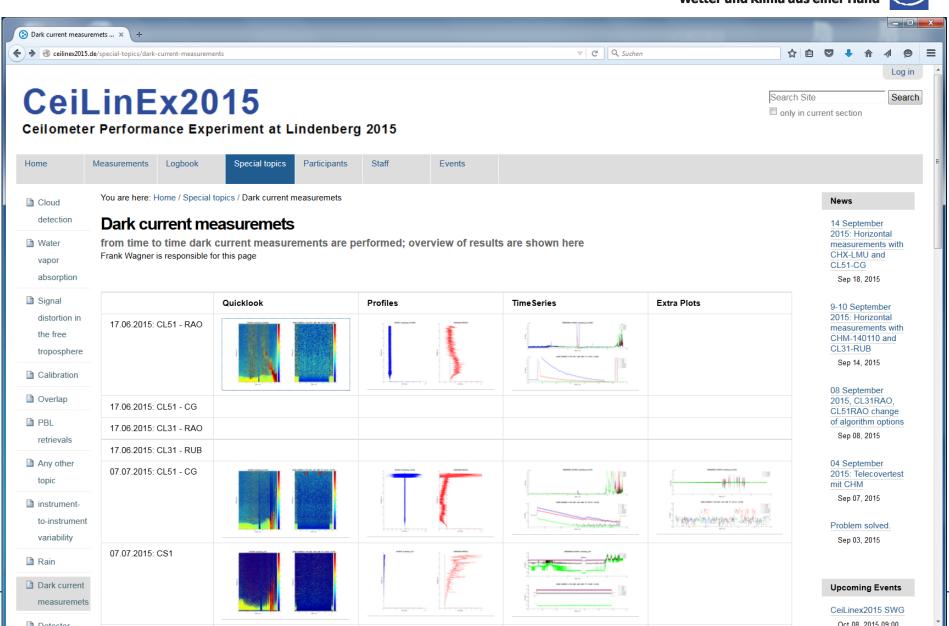


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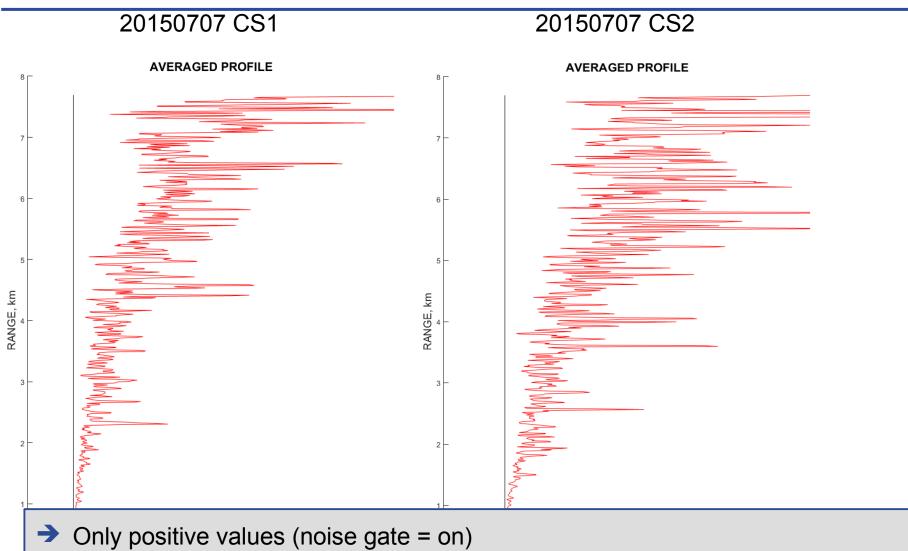


All measurements at Ceilinex2015.de







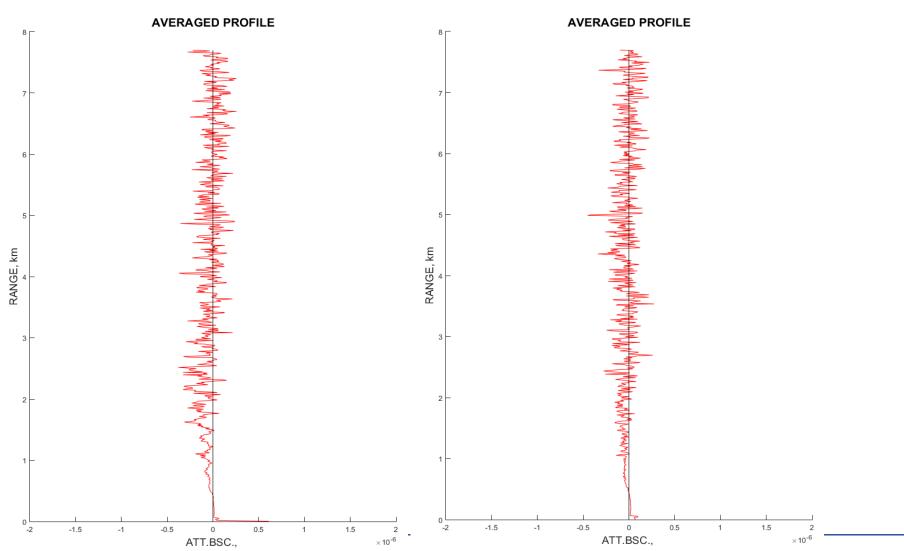


Another measurement with nose gate = off → not yet analyzed



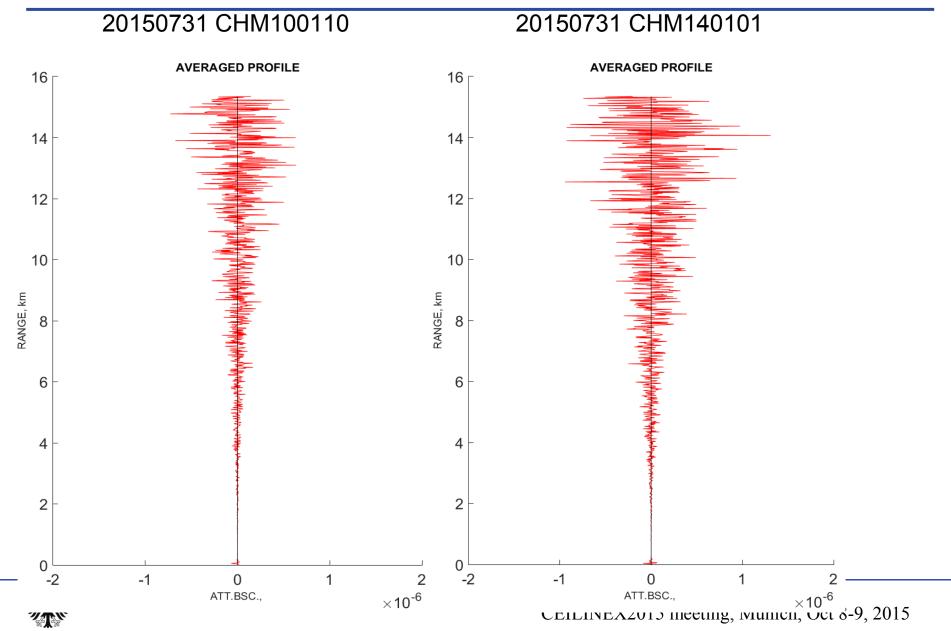
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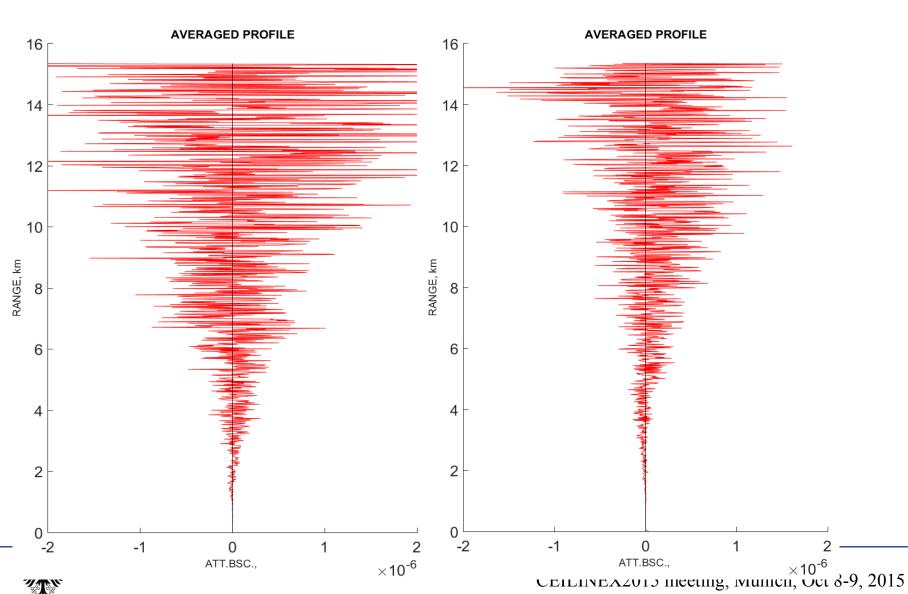








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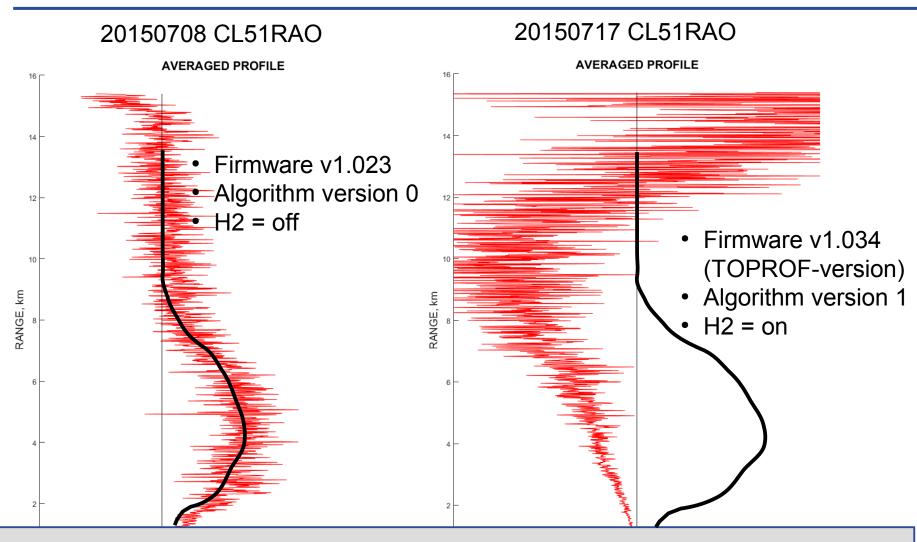
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Dark-current measurement - versions



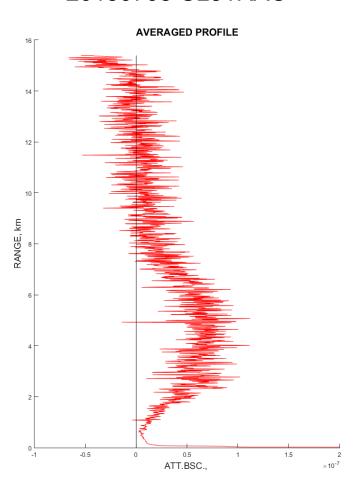


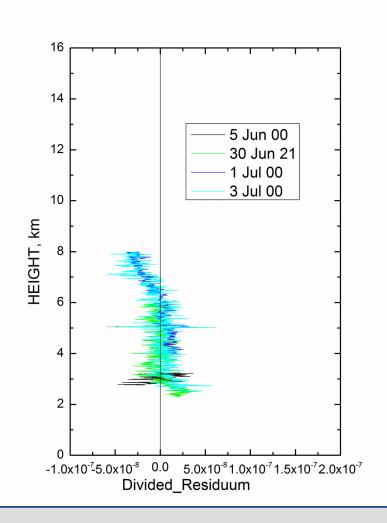
Ch. Münkel: "Later CL51 firmware versions (CL51CG since delivery, CL51RAO since 16.07.) involve an improved compensation of signal impurities caused by high temperatures. This will probably reduce the observed CL51RAO belly"

Dark-current vs. Rayleigh residual



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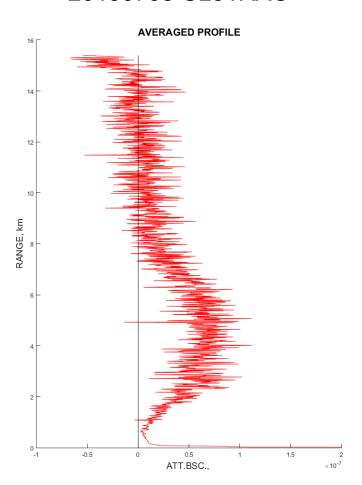


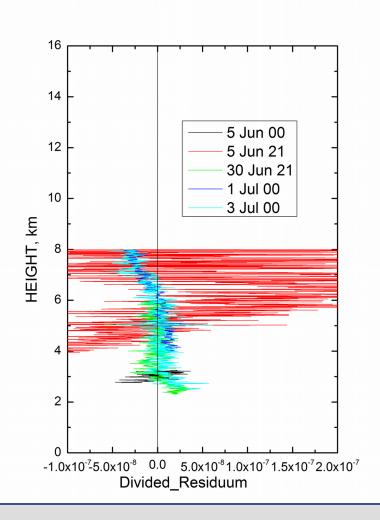
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Dark-current vs. Rayleigh residual



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-but not always

Deutscher Wetterdienst Wetter und Klima aus einer Hand

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- Improvement of Rayleigh fit?
 - Not yet analyzed
- Quantification of systematic errors of bsc profile
 - Not yet finished

