



SENS4ICE

SENSORS AND CERTIFIABLE HYBRID ARCHITECTURES
FOR SAFER AVIATION IN ICING ENVIRONMENT

SENS4ICE project overview including flight campaigns

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SENS4ICE Project Overview

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💧 JAN 2019 - DEC 2023 (extended, originally DEC 2022)

💧 17 Consortium partners including coordinator DLR

💧 Budget:

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|---|-----------|
| 💧 total estimated eligible costs | 8.7 M EUR |
| 💧 max. EU contribution | 6.6 M EUR |
| 💧 project effort in person-months approx. | 800 PM |

💧 <https://www.sens4ice-project.eu>

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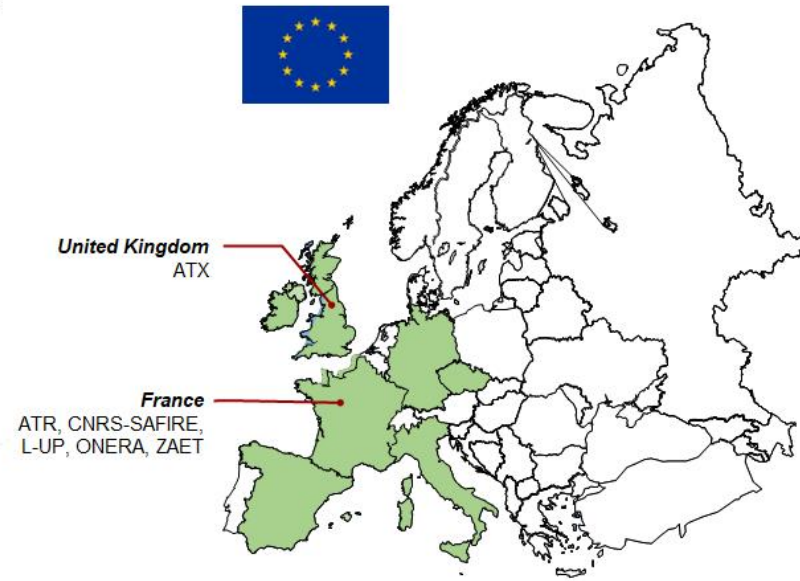


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SENS4ICE international collaboration and cooperation



💧 InCo – international cooperation flagship:
Aviation International Cooperation
Flagship "Safer and Greener Aviation in a
Smaller World"

💧 17 project parties (10 countries)

💧 13 European/4 international

💧 6 research centers, 1 university,
9 industrial partners (OEMs and system
developers and one SME),
1 SME consultancy partner

💧 Advisory Board (9 members)

💧 aviation certification authorities (EASA, FAA, ANAC)

💧 manufacturing (Bombardier, Gulfstream, Airbus DS, DAHER)

💧 research (ITA, NLR)

💧 operations (VC - *Vereinigung Cockpit*,
German Pilot's Association)

💧 Coordination with EU icing projects
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💧 Cooperation with SAE AC-9C Aircraft Icing
Technology Committee



Aircraft Icing Phenomena

Natural Ice Shapes



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- ❄️ hazardous effects on aircraft
 - ❄️ performance
 - ❄️ dynamic behavior and
 - ❄️ controls
- ❄️ adaptation of operational limits required



Dangers of Icing in Flight

Vertical Tail Plane

- Control degradation
- Drag increase

Elevator Gap

- Control degradation

Stabilizer

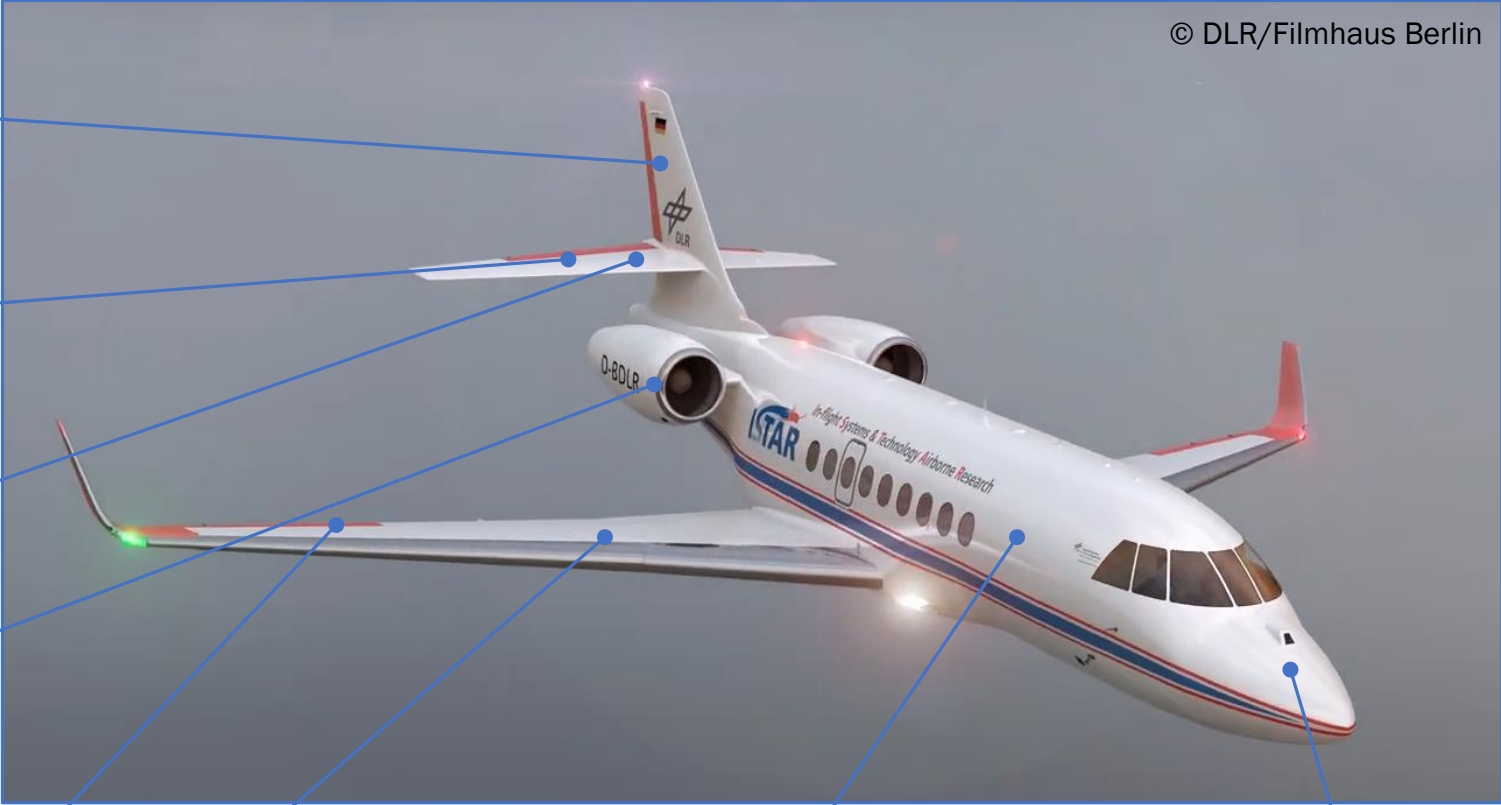
- Control degradation
- Drag increase

Engines

- Danger of flameout or damage due to contaminants

Aileron Gap

- Control degradation



Wing

- Performance loss
- Control degradation

Fuselage

- Drag increase
- Collected contaminant ice layer

Sensors

- Malfunction
- Blockage



SENS4ICE Goal/ Impact

Problem

- 💧 Detect icing conditions
- 💧 Including SLD (supercooled large droplets) / App. O (CS-25 / 14 CFR Part 25) icing
- 💧 Detection very challenging

Solution

- 💧 10 direct detection technologies
- 💧 Hybrid approach – fusion of input data: sensor(s) and indirect detection

Benefits

- 💧 Operational benefits:
 - 💧 activate anti-/de-icing
 - 💧 avoid/ leave icing conditions
- 💧 Certification process benefits – flights in App. O/ SLD icing
 - 💧 safety risk due to severe and unknown aircraft icing
 - 💧 online evaluation of safety margins during flight tests/ certification flights



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Scope and Positioning

- 💧 SENS4ICE fills the gap of SLD icing detection (App. 0)
 - hybridisation of different detection techniques
 - 💧 Technology development, test, validation and maturation with specific regards to integration of hybrid system architectures
 - TRL 5 of hybrid system at the end of SENS4ICE
 - 💧 Technology demonstration in relevant icing conditions:
 - 💧 icing wind tunnels
 - 💧 flight test
 - SENS4ICE will provide large data base of icing conditions
 - 💧 Close cooperation with regulation authorities for development of new certifiable hybrid ice detection system
 - SENS4ICE will provide an acceptable means of compliance
- SENS4ICE contributes to increase aviation safety in SLD icing conditions



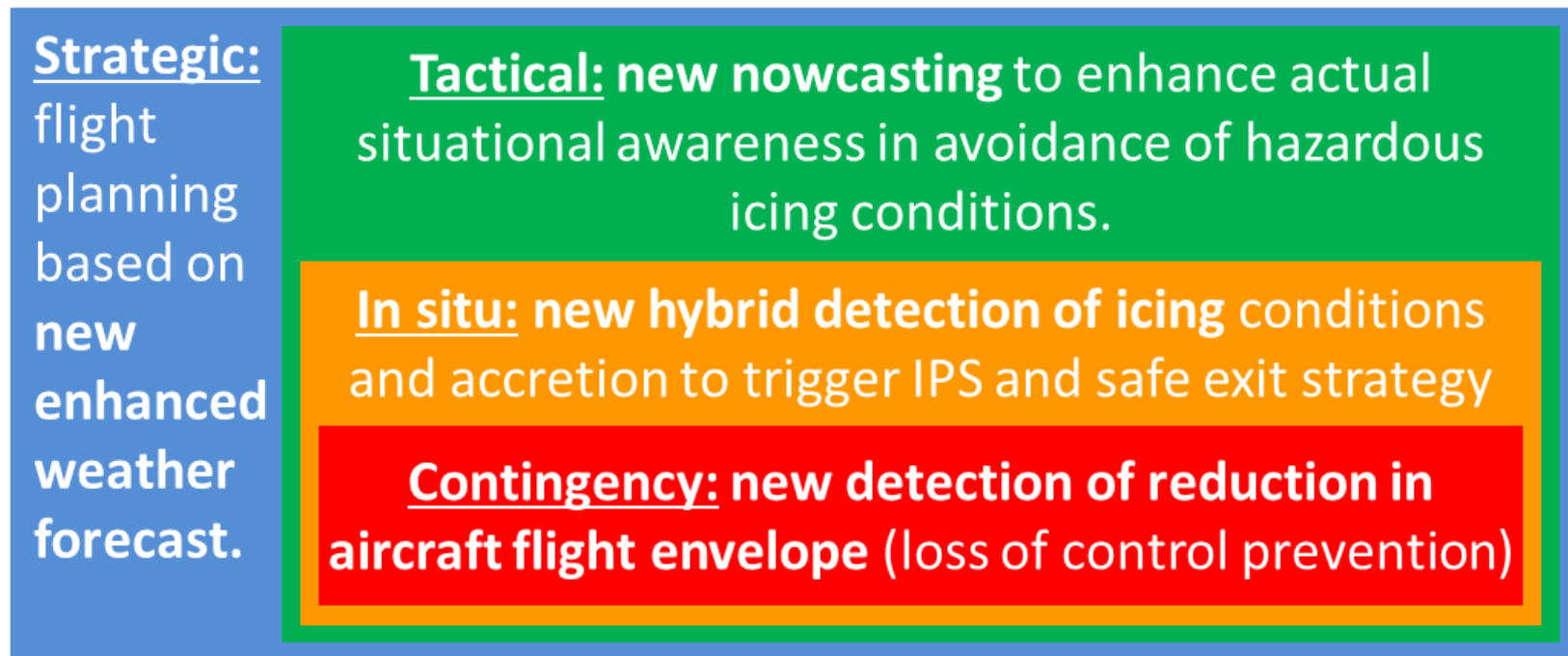
Expected Impact

- ✦ Contribute to **increased flight safety**
by fewer accidents and less in-flight events worldwide
- ✦ Contribute to **reduce costs** for all stakeholders
by improved and internationally accepted certification rules, standards and means of compliance, covering all types of icing hazards
- ✦ Contribute to **decrease delays** in operations
thanks to more efficient avoidance of icing hazards and to fewer damages in need of inspection and repair



Layered Approach on Ice Detection

SENS4ICE will address this challenge of reliably detecting and avoiding App. 0 SLD conditions with a unique layered safety approach:

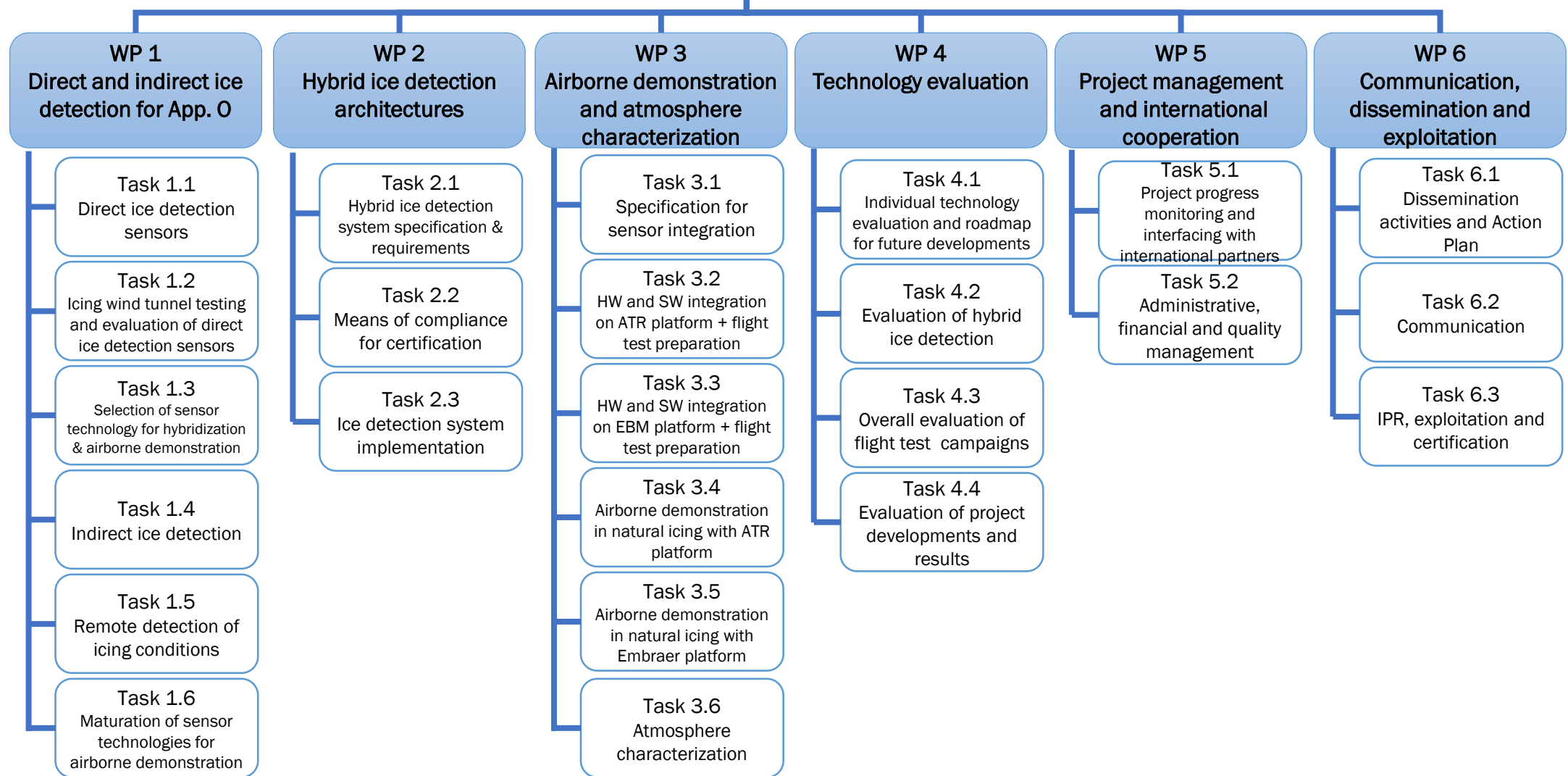


→ Hybrid ice detection is central technology and key to this approach

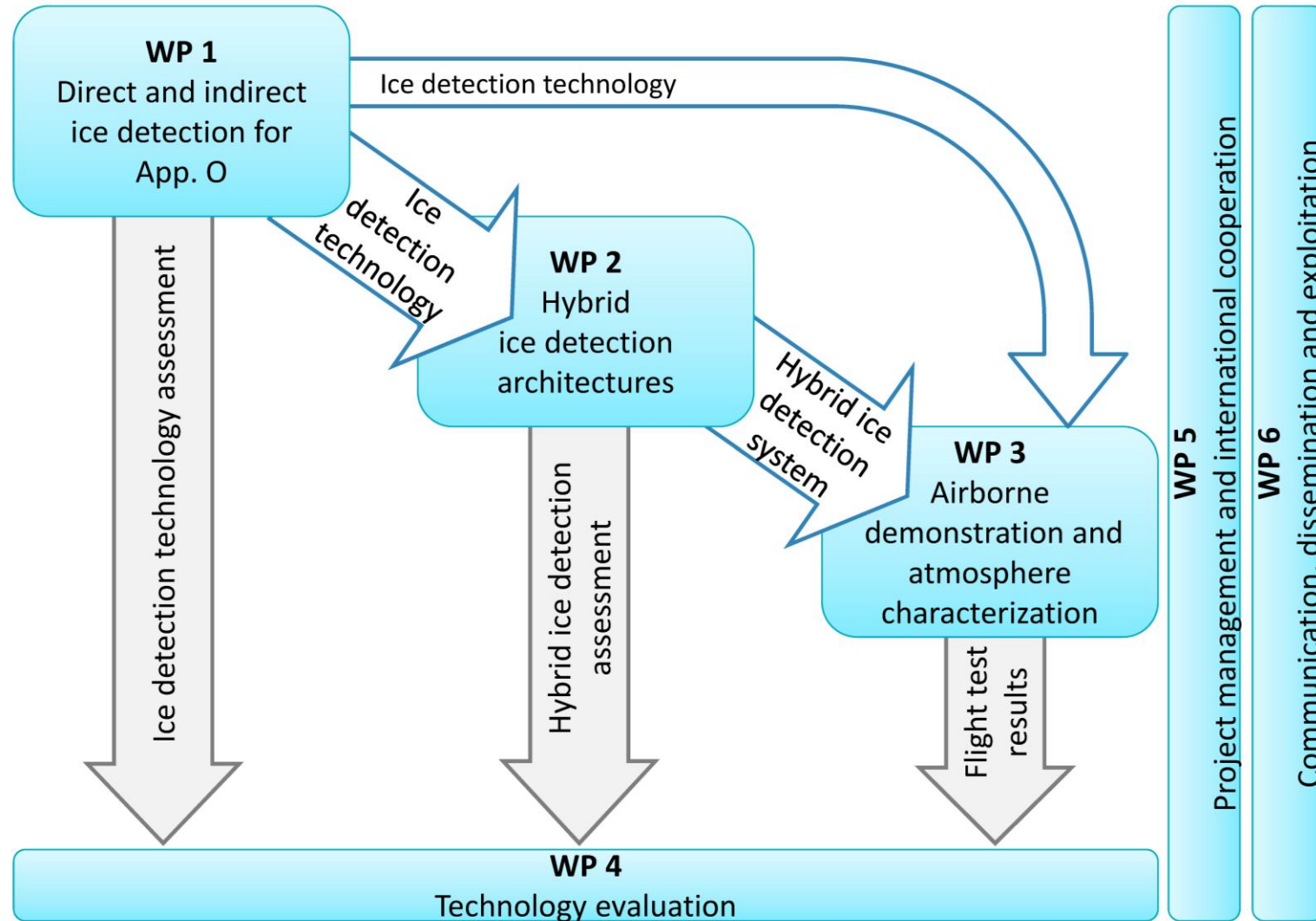


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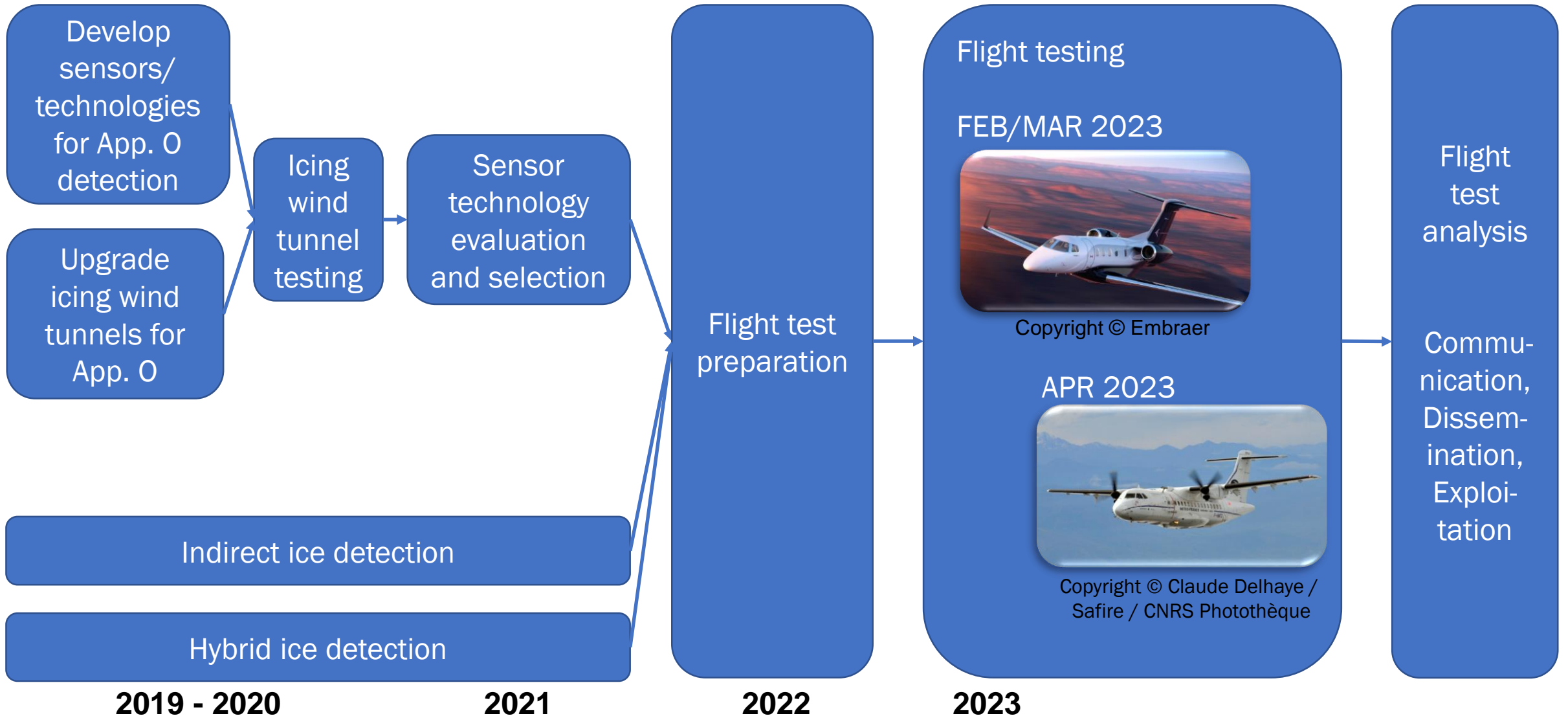
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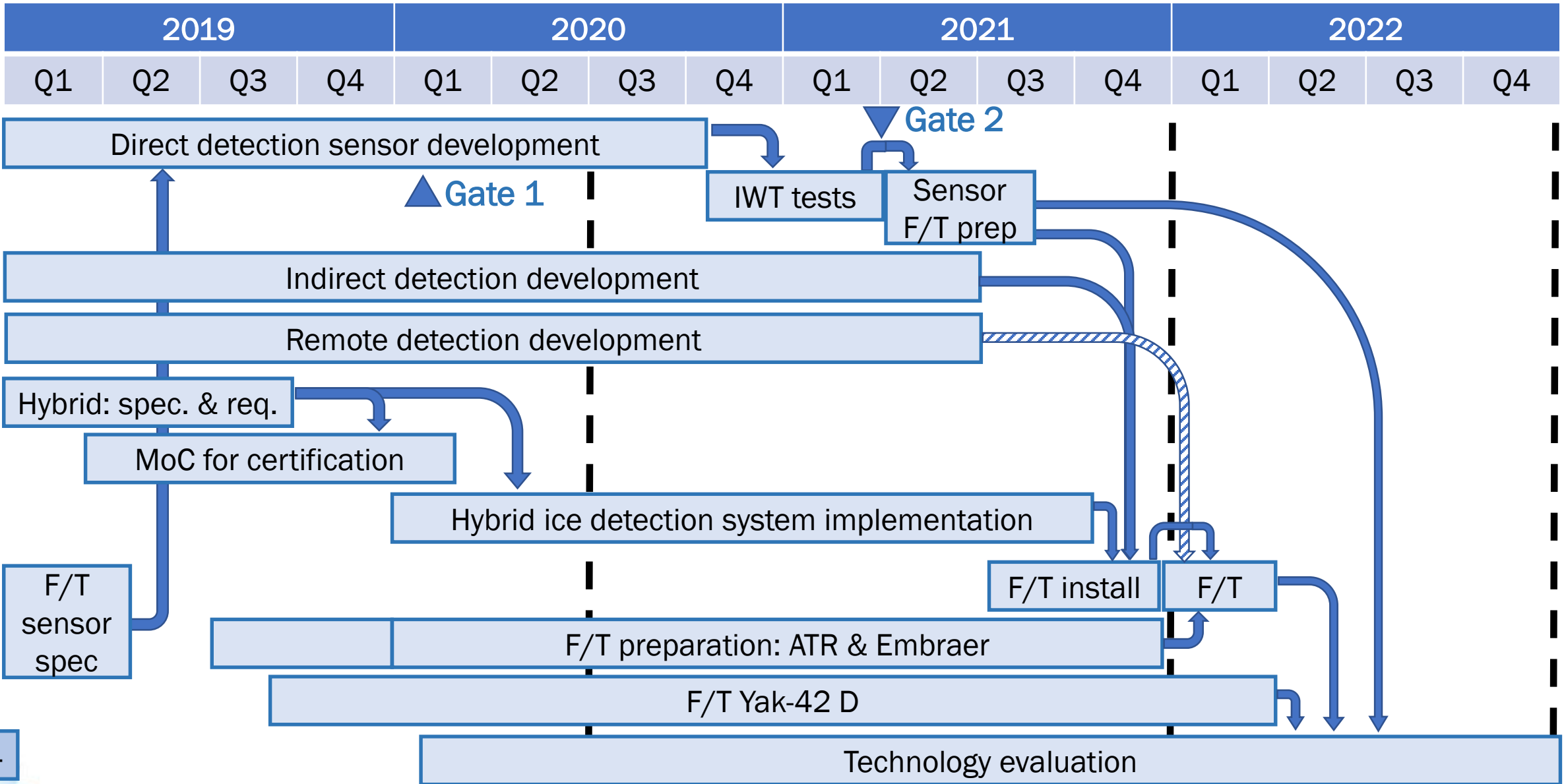
Technical Work Packages Interrelation



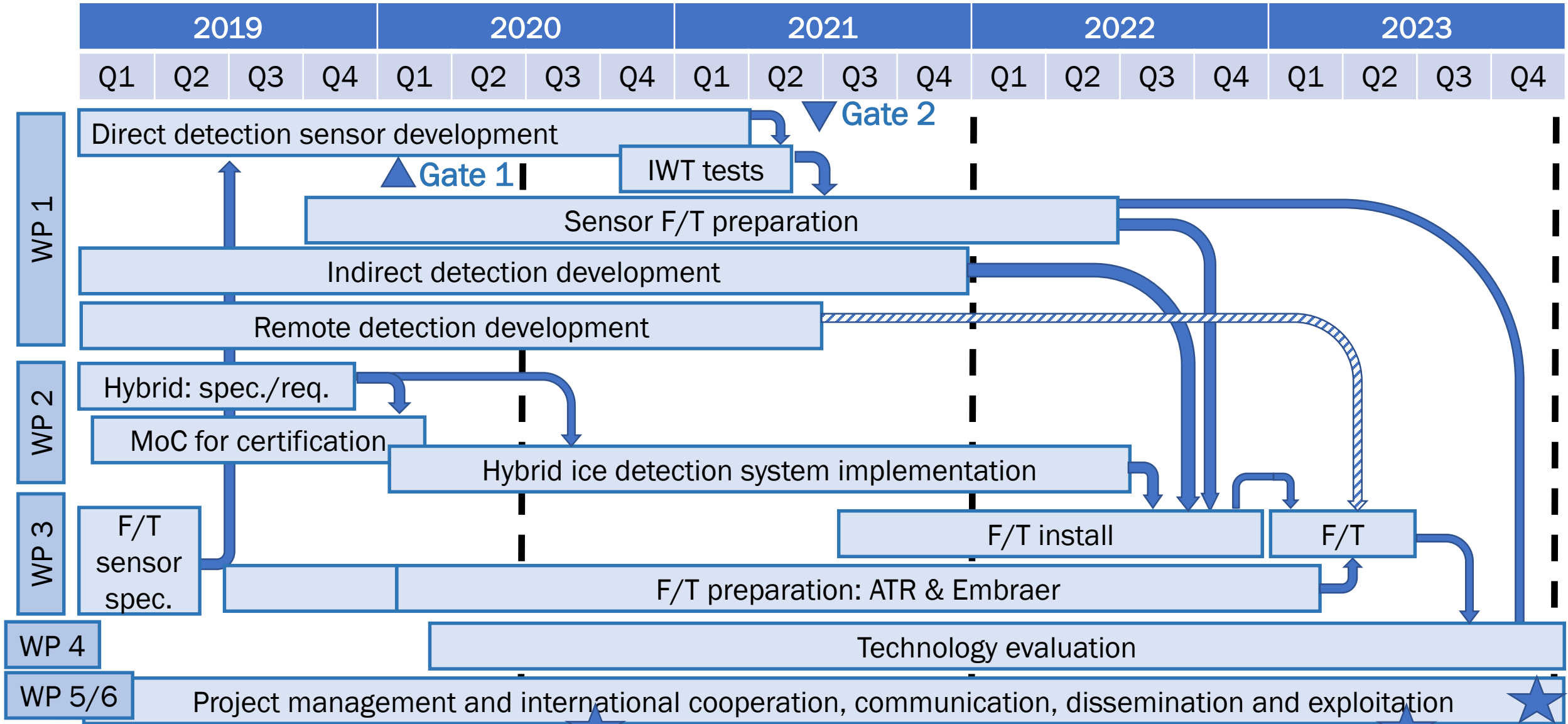
SENS4ICE Timeline – Focus Flight Test Analysis



SENS4ICE Timescale (simplified Gantt – original/ 4 years)



SENS4ICE Timescale (simplified Gantt – extended/ 5 years)



WP1: Direct and Indirect Ice Detection for App. 0

High Level Objectives

Main Objective: Develop technologies capable of detecting App. 0 icing conditions using a three-pronged approach:

- 💧 Direct detection: development of *in situ* sensors capable of ice detection
 - 💧 10 technologies under EU-funded development representing a variety of physical detection principles
 - 💧 Evaluation in icing wind tunnel tests under simulated App. 0 conditions – three tunnel facilities/total of 16 weeks testing time
 - 💧 Two-stage evaluation/selection process to ensure most promising sensors advance to flight test (WP3)
- 💧 Indirect detection: utilising existing sensor information and aircraft performance reference data for early detection of airframe icing
- 💧 Remote detection: development of methods to detect App. 0 conditions before the aircraft enters the hazard area
 - 💧 Detection and Nowcasting: development of algorithms that combine meteorological factors retrieved from satellite data to detect and forecast (very short-term range) icing threats in App. 0 conditions
 - 💧 Polarimetric weather radar: development of algorithms to classify icing threats and identify App. 0 conditions



SENS4ICE sensor technologies overview, sensor types and principles

| Developer | Sensor | Sensor Type | Sensor Principle |
|-----------|--|-------------|---|
| AeroTex | AIP - Atmospheric Icing Patch | Atmospheric | Isothermal with inertial separation at different sensors along aircraft |
| Collins | IDS - Ice Detection System | Atmospheric | Thermal response to heat impulse |
| DLR | LILD - Local Ice Layer Detector | Accretion | Ultrasonic wave attenuation / phase change |
| Honeywell | SRP - Short Range Particulate | Atmospheric | Collecting backscattered light from particles |
| INTA | FOD - Fiber Optic Detector | Accretion | Latent heat measured with fiber optic |
| ONERA | AHDEL - Atmospheric Hydrometeor Detector based on Electrostatics | Atmospheric | Particle charging and subsequent measurement of the charge |
| ONERA | AMPERA - Atmospheric Measurement of Potential and Electric field on Aircraft | Atmospheric | Measurement of aircraft electric potential |
| SAFRAN | AOD - Appendix O Discriminator | Atmospheric | Shadowgraphy |
| SAFRAN | PFIDS - Primary in-Flight Icing Detection System | Accretion | Optical reflection from accretion |
| DLR | CM2D - Cloud Multi-Detection Device [BCPD - Backscatter Cloud Probe with Polarization Detection] | Atmospheric | Single particle optical backscatter |
| DLR | CM2D - Cloud Multi-Detection Device [Nevzorov] | Atmospheric | Isothermal measurement of water content |



SENS4ICE sensor technologies for direct sensing of atmospheric icing conditions or ice accretion detection (1/2)



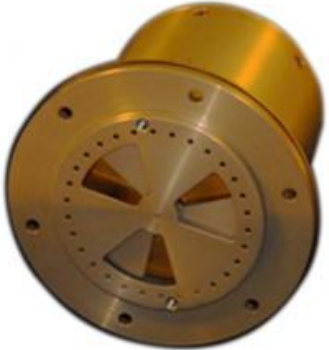
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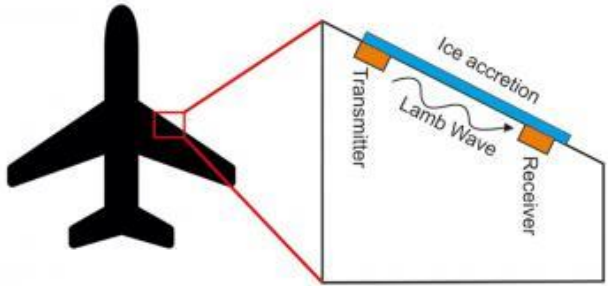
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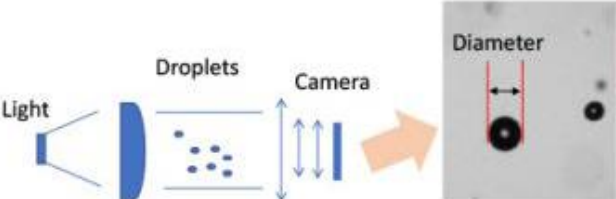
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SENS4ICE sensor technologies for direct sensing of atmospheric icing conditions or ice accretion detection (2/2)



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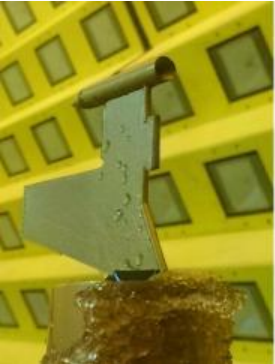
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Name: *PFIDS (Primary in-Flight Icing Detection System)*
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Name: *Nevzorov Probe and Backscatter Cloud Probe with Polarization Detection (BCPD)*
 Project partner: DLR (German Aerospace Center)
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SENS4ICE Research Facilities: Icing Wind Tunnels

💧 TU Braunschweig

💧 SLD capabilities available and enhanced during SENS4ICE

💧 Collins Aerospace

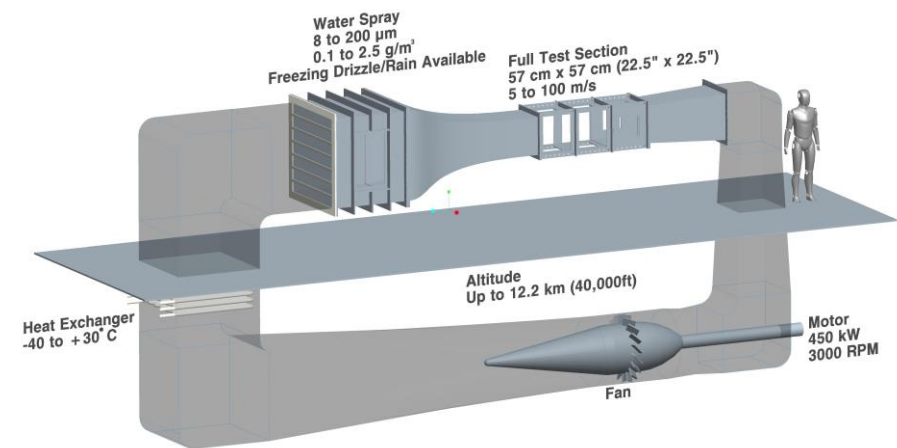
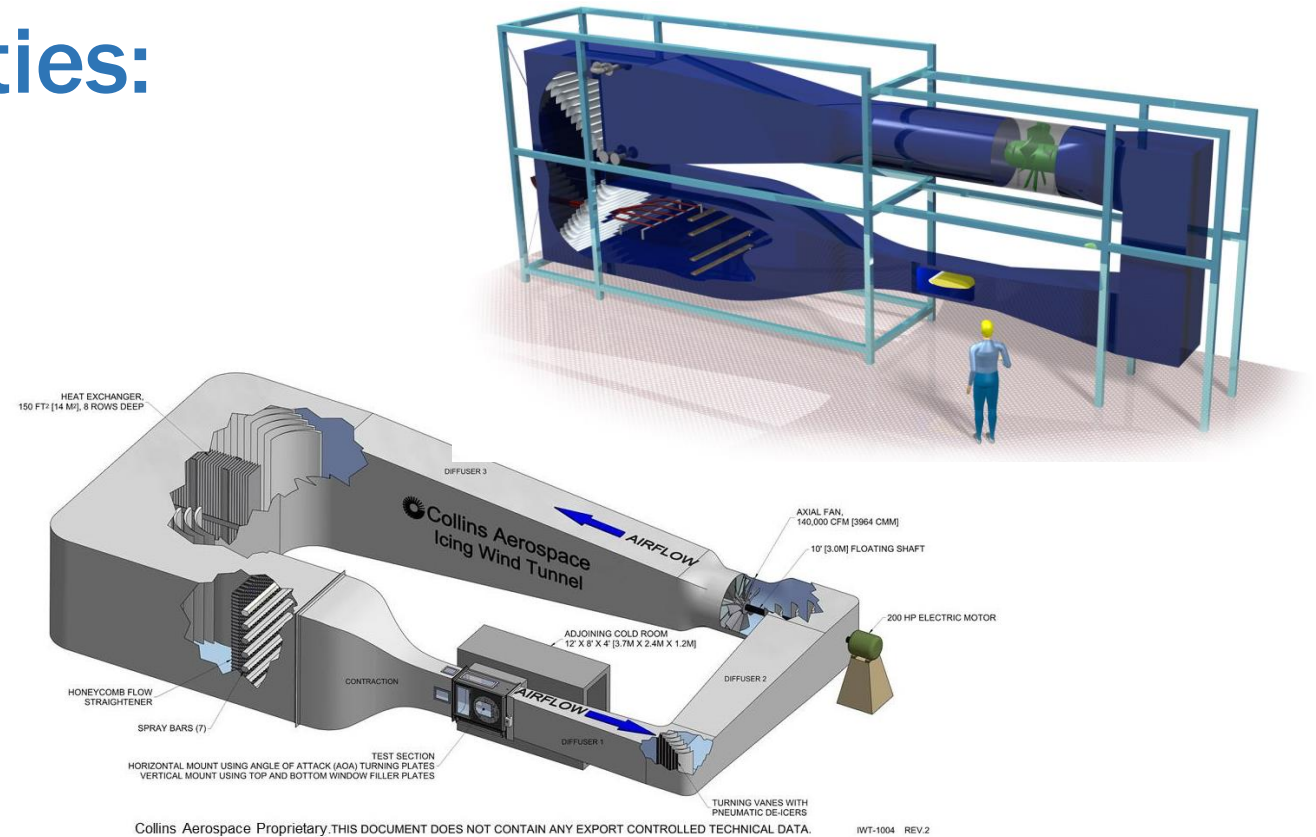
💧 SLD capabilities available and enhanced during SENS4ICE

💧 National Research Council Canada

💧 SLD capabilities available

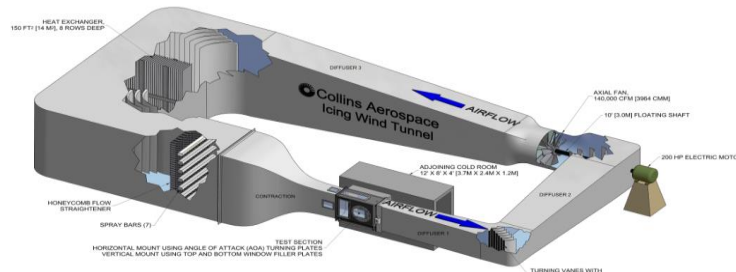
💧 Total testing time: 16 weeks

💧 Planned time frame: NOV 2020 – MAR 2021



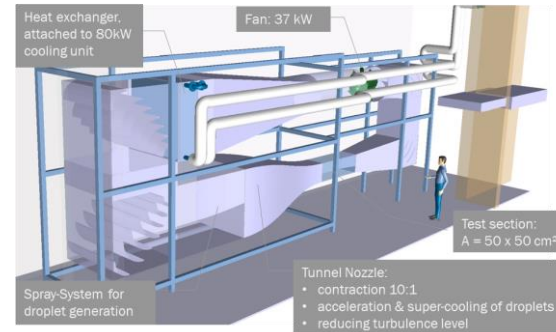
Overview of SENS4ICE IWT Capabilities

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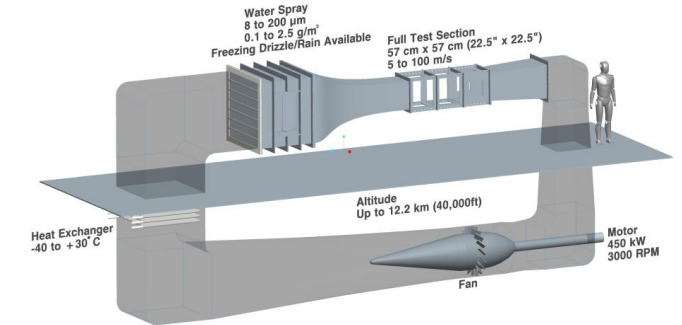
- 5-147 micron droplets
- LWC between 0.1 and 3 g/m³
- Temperature 0°C to -30°C
- Sustained speed 13-103 m/s
- Test section: 152x56x112 cm³
- Calibrated per SAE ARP 5905
- Compliant with AS9100C
- Controls and power supplies can simulate aircraft controls

TU Braunschweig, Germany



- MVD 9-200 micron droplets
- LWC between 0.1 and 1.5 g/m³
- Temperature 30°C to -20°C
- Sustained speed 10-40 m/s
- Test section: 150x50x50 cm³
- Calibrated per SAE ARP 5905
- Short spray transients ~ 15s
- Bi-modal SLD and mixed phase capability

NRC, Canada



- 8-200 micron droplets
- LWC between 0.1 and 2.5 g/m³
- Supercooled Water: 10 to > 200 µm (incl. SLD bi-modal)
- Temperature +30°C to -40°C
- Sustained speed 5-100 m/s
- Test section: 57x57 cm² (52x33 cm² with insert)
- Sea level < Altitude < 40,000ft
- Calibrated per SAE ARP 5905

 Dedicated common test points defined for all involved SENS4ICE IWT



Common Test Points Between IWT Facilities TUBS, Collins and NRC

| IWT | App C | | | | | |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| | Total Test Points | Common with 3 IWT | Common with 2 IWT | Only at 1 IWT | CM Test Points | IM Test Points |
| TUBS | 19 | 4 | 1 | 14 | 10 | 9 |
| Collins | 18 | 4 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 9 |
| NRC | 19 | 4 | 4 | 11 | 9 | 10 |
| | App O | | | | | |
| | Total Test Points | Common with 3 IWT | Common with 2 IWT | Only at 1 IWT | Total Points [unimodal] | Total Points [bimodal] |
| TUBS | 18 | 0 | 1 | 17 | 0 | 18 |
| Collins | 6 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 0 |
| NRC | 17 | 0 | 2 | 15 | 4 | 13 |



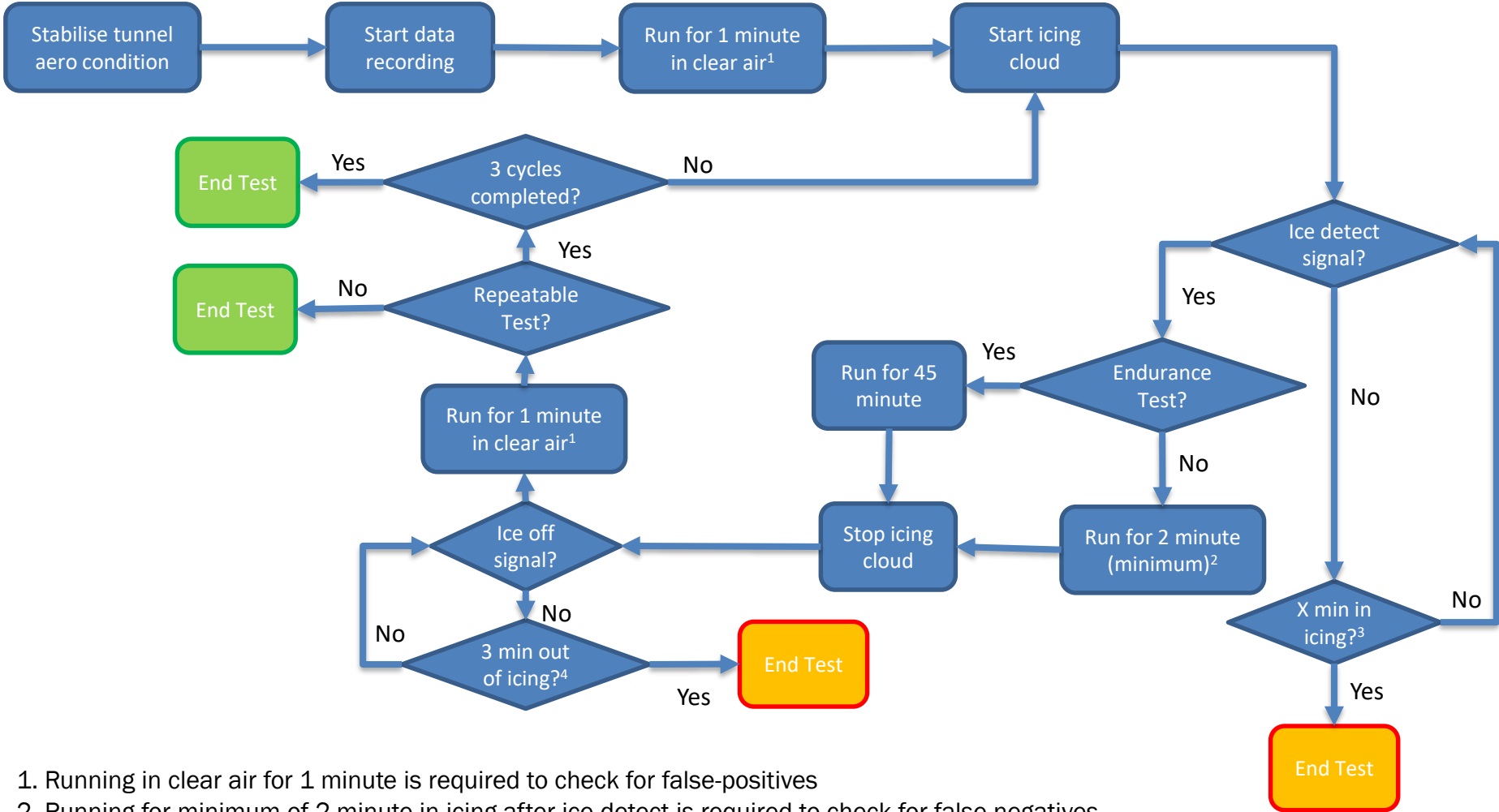
Collins IWT SENS4ICE Test Matrix

| Case | Condition | Airspeed | Static Temp. | MVD | LWC |
|------|-----------|----------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| [-] | [-] | [m/s] | [deg. C] | [μm] | [g/m ³] |
| 1 | LW-C CM | 40 | -20 | 15 | 0.30 |
| 2 | LW-C CM | 40 | -10 | 20 | 0.42 |
| 3 | LW-C CM | 40 | -1 | 23 | 0.54 |
| 4 | LW-C CM | 67 | -2 | 15 | 0.80 |
| 5 | LW-C CM | 67 | -20 | 18 | 0.25 |
| 6 | LW-C CM | 67 | -10 | 20 | 0.42 |
| 7 | LW-C CM | 85 | -30 | 17 | 0.17 |
| 8 | LW-C CM | 85 | -20 | 15 | 0.30 |
| 9 | LW-C CM | 85 | -10 | 23 | 0.34 |
| 10 | LW-C IM | 40 | -20 | 22 | 1.50 |
| 11 | LW-C IM | 40 | -1 | 20 | 2.50 |
| 12 | LW-C IM | 40 | -10 | 28 | 1.20 |

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| [-] | [-] | [m/s] | [deg. C] | [μm] | [g/m ³] |
| 13 | LW-C IM | 67 | -2 | 23 | 2.00 |
| 14 | LW-C IM | 67 | -20 | 30 | 0.80 |
| 15 | LW-C IM | 67 | -10 | 25 | 1.40 |
| 16 | LW-C IM | 85 | -30 | 20 | 1.00 |
| 17 | LW-C IM | 85 | -20 | 23 | 1.30 |
| 18 | LW-C IM | 85 | -10 | 32 | 0.80 |
| 19 | unimodal | 76 | -17.7 | 122.3 | 0.46 |
| 20 | unimodal | 76 | -17.7 | 189.5 | 0.56 |
| 21 | unimodal | 76 | -17.7 | 169.1 | 0.78 |
| 22 | unimodal | 76 | -17.7 | 183.8 | 0.78 |
| 23 | unimodal | 76 | -17.7 | 155.4 | 0.94 |
| 24 | unimodal | 76 | -17.7 | 163.5 | 0.82 |



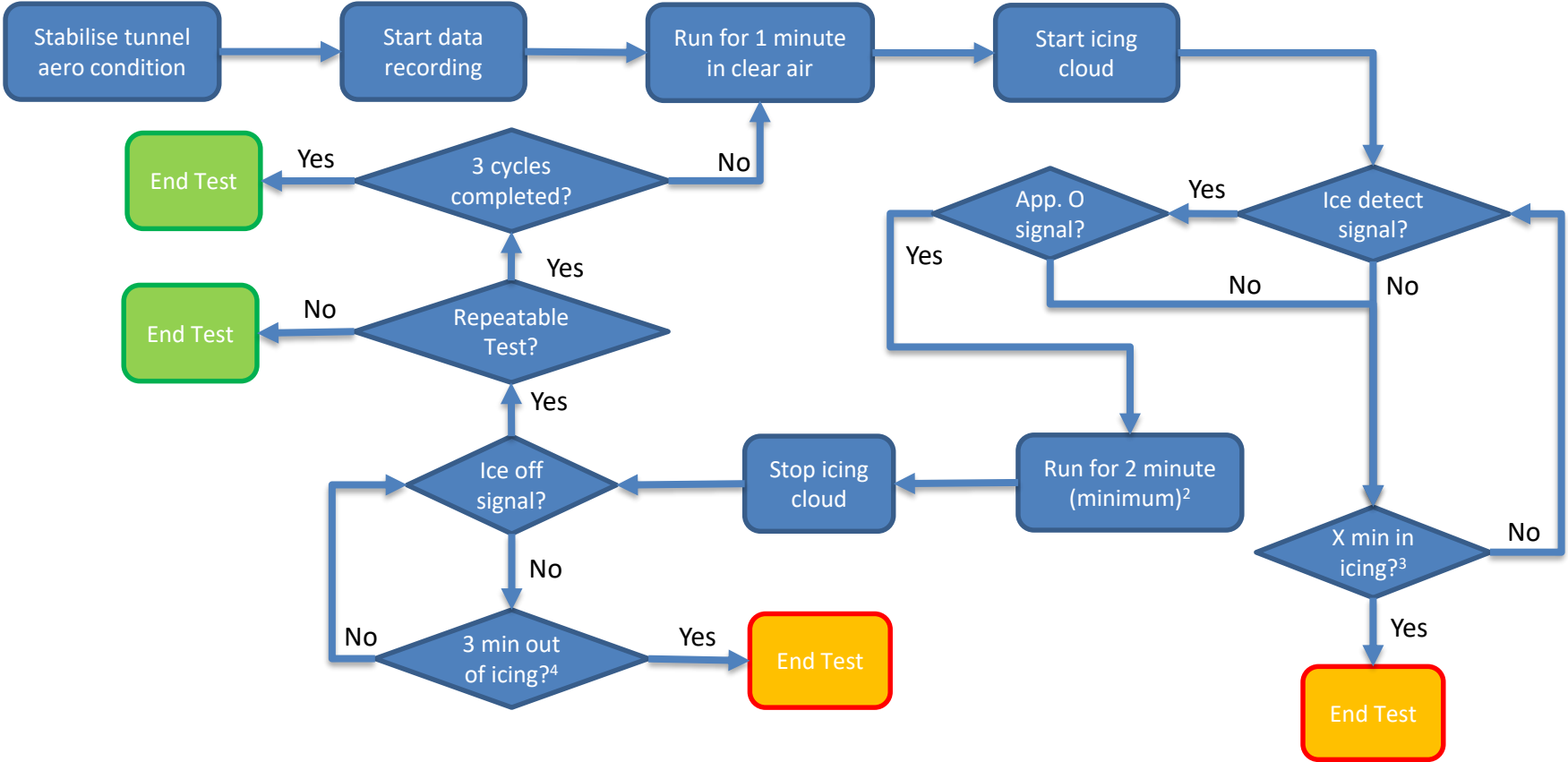
IWT Test Procedures – App C Conditions



- Notes:
1. Running in clear air for 1 minute is required to check for false-positives
 2. Running for minimum of 2 minute in icing after ice-detect is required to check for false-negatives
 3. X is the target calculated detection time + 1 minute
 4. Based on AS5498A time to detect exit being a maximum of 3 minutes



IWT Test Procedures – App 0 Conditions

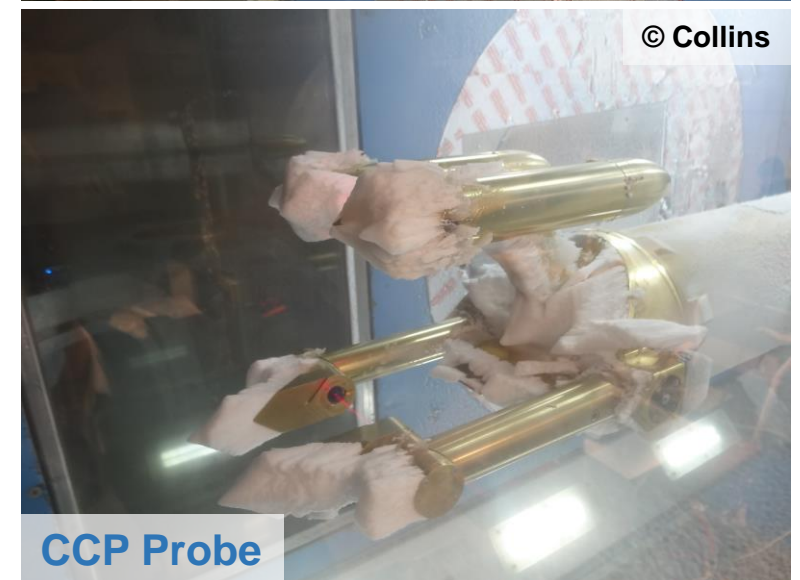
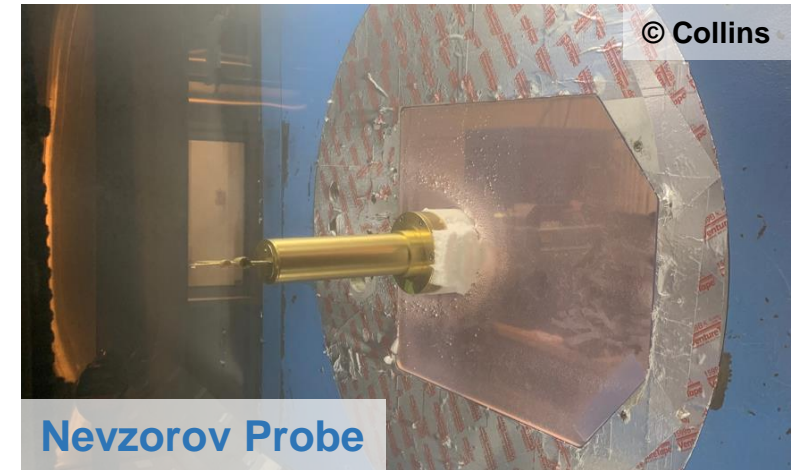


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SENS4ICE Reference Measurements CCP & Nevzorov Probes at Collins Icing Wind Tunnel

- Nevzorov probe
 - 2 days of testing at Collins
 - Completed entirety of App C and App O test matrices
- Cloud Combination Probe (CCP) probe
 - 3.5 days of testing at Collins
 - Completed entirety of App. C and App O. test matrices
 - During test only one of CCP probe's measurement volumes could be positioned in tunnel centerline at a time
 - For that reason, many test conditions were repeated in two configurations so that data could be collected with each measurement volume centered in the tunnel.



[El Hassan Ridouane (Collins), SENS4ICE Icing Wind Tunnel Capabilities and Test Procedures, SENS4ICE first public project symposium, SAE AC-9C Aircraft Icing Technology Committee Meeting 22 OCT 2020]

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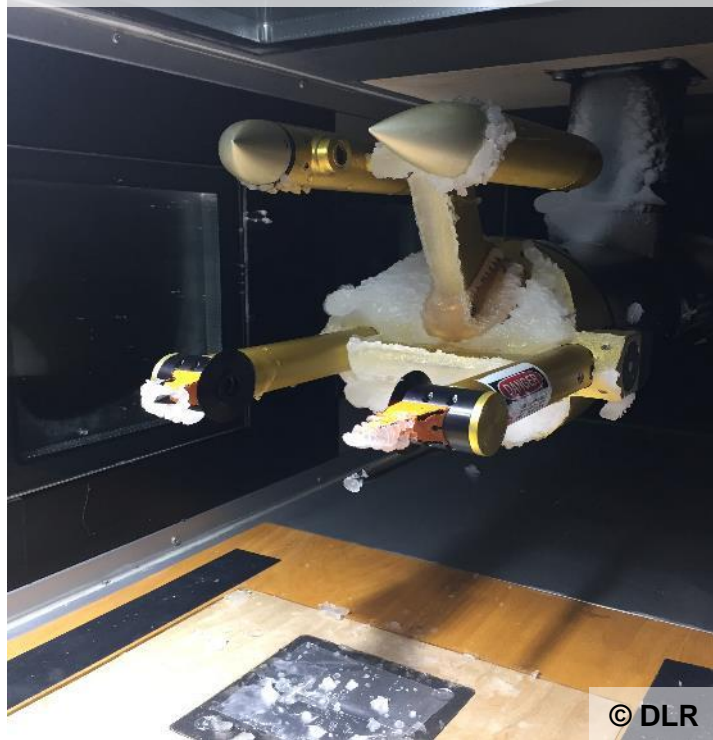


SENS4ICE Reference Measurements

CCP (CDP & CIP) & Nevzorov Probes at TUBS Icing Wind Tunnel

Reference measurement wind tunnel testing in Appendix C and O conditions was conducted during three weeks in January and July 2020

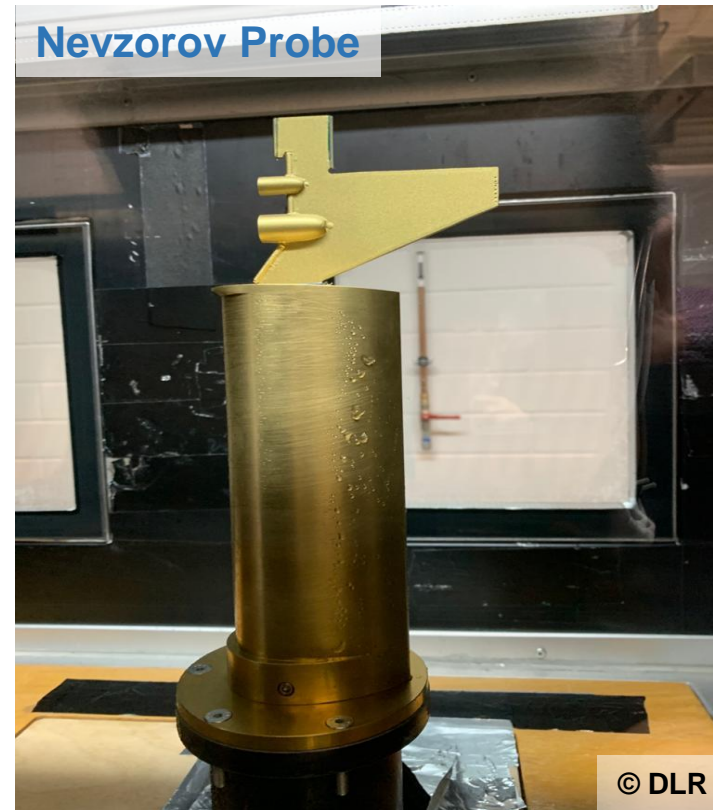
Cloud Combination Probe (CCP)



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CDP size range : 2 – 50 μm
CIP size range: 15 – 950 μm

Nevzorov Probe

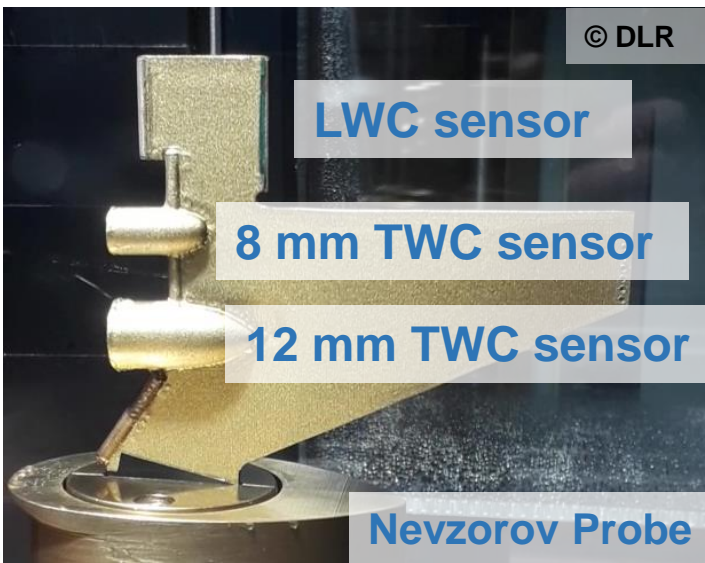
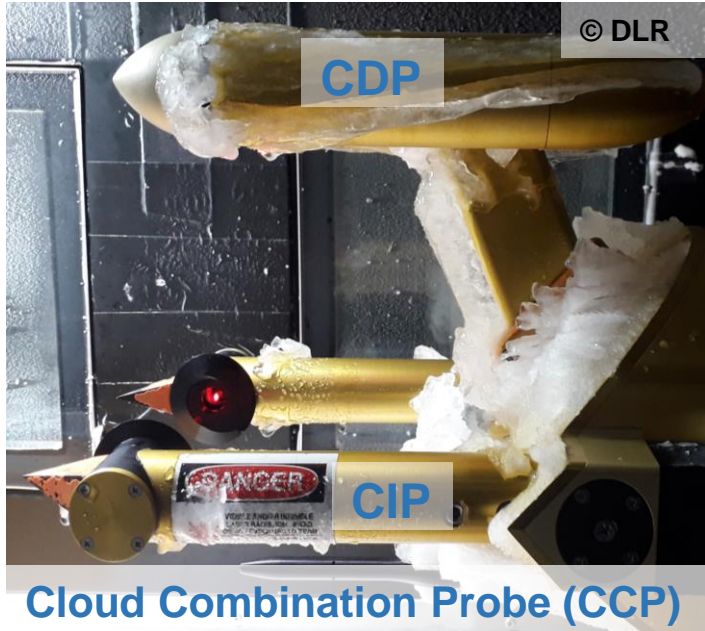


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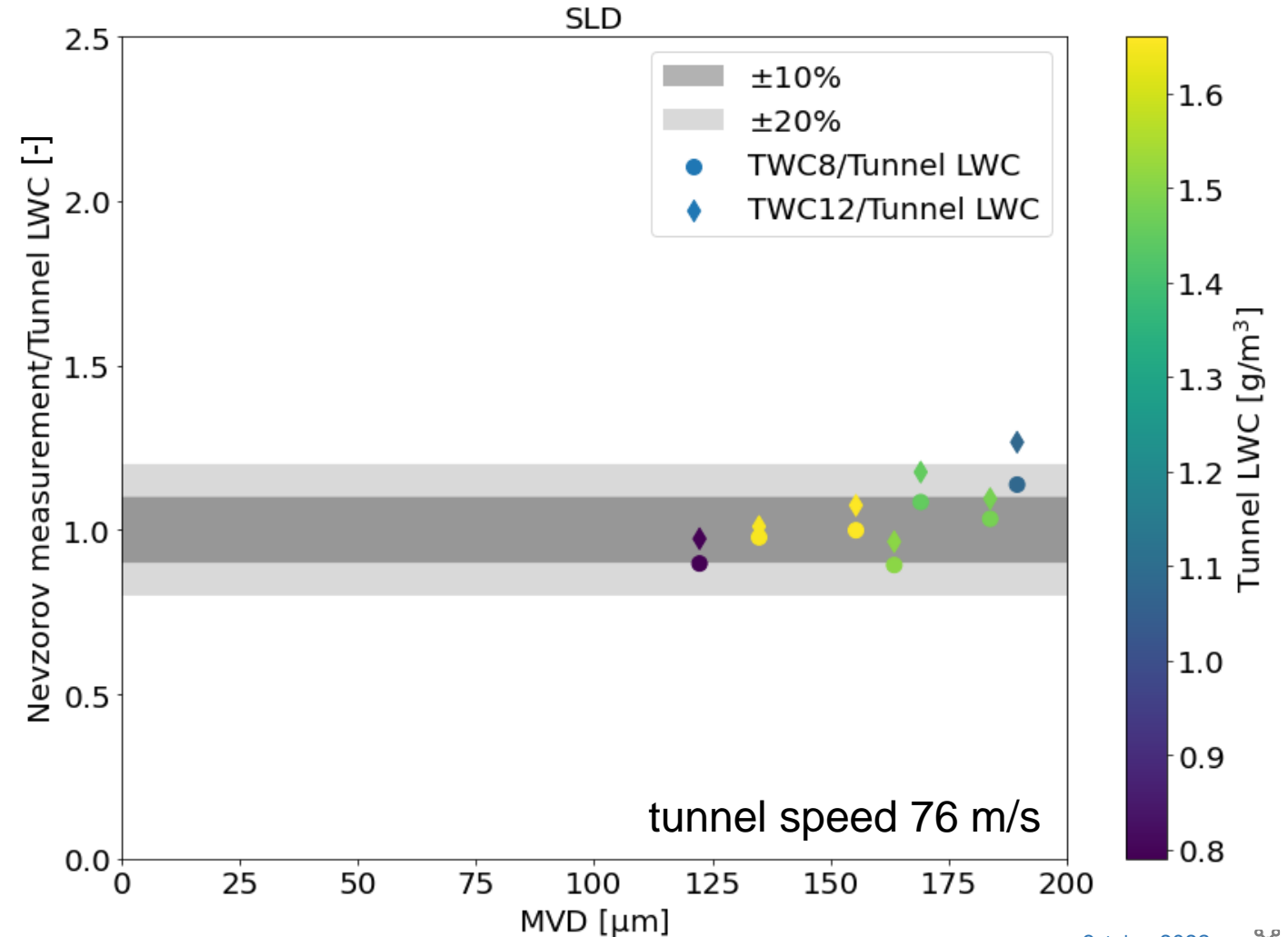
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Air speed range: 10 – 180 m/s



Reference Instrumentation & Measurements

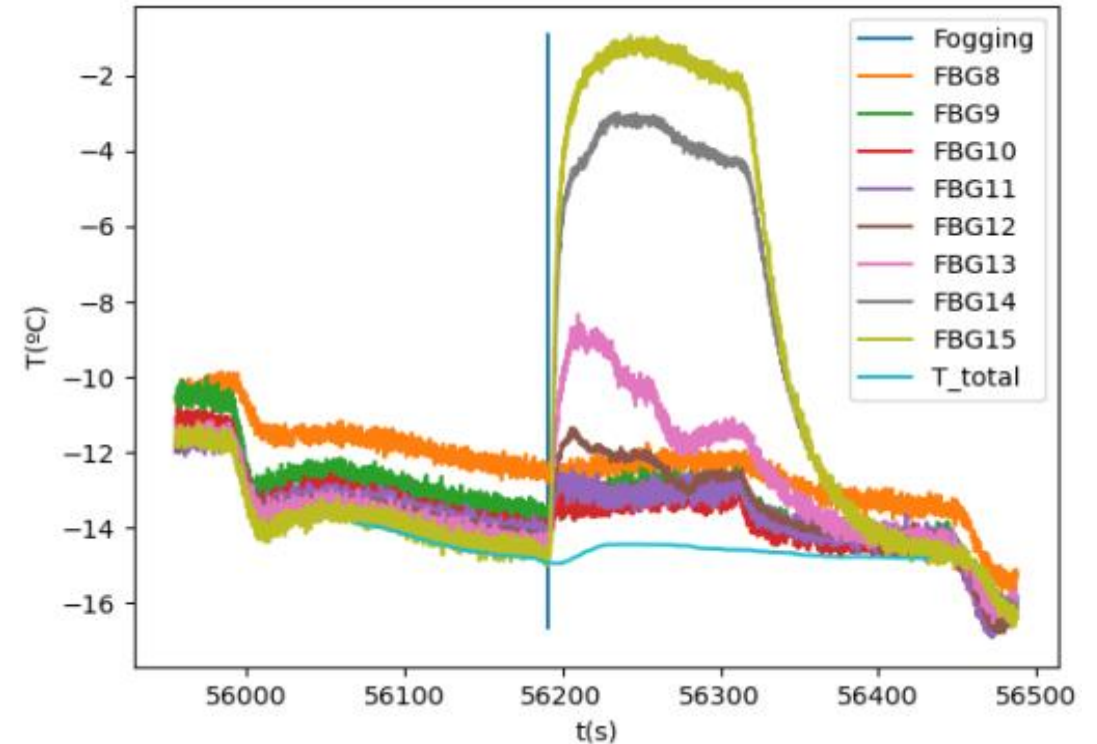


- Reference measurements (Nevzorov probe) in SLD conditions
- 💧 generally good agreement with tunnel LWC data (SEA probe)
 - 💧 for MVDs < 180 μm , Nevzorov and SEA probe agree within 20%



FOD (Fiber Optic Detector) – using Fiber Bragg Grating Sensors (FBGs)

- FBGS are integrated in the surface of an airfoil to provide temperature measurements over the chord.
- Measurements are compared with a heat and mass balance model.
- Based on this a prediction for liquid water content (LWC) and ice accretion rate (IAR) is generated.
- IWT results show a good correlation with theoretical calculations. The following capabilities have been demonstrated: detect beginning and end of ice accretion, LWC and IAR quickly and with good precision.
- The different measurement locations over the cord of the airfoil allow to clearly distinguish the temperature distribution.



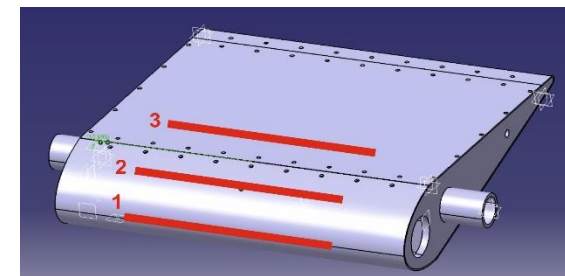
FOD temperature time histories at NRC AIWT for different measurement locations over the airfoil chord (“FBG 8 – 15”) and the total temperature for Appendix O conditions (LWC = 0.82 g/m^3 , MVD = $163.5 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$; $V = 76 \text{ m/s}$, start time of icing cloud marked by a vertical line “Fogging”)



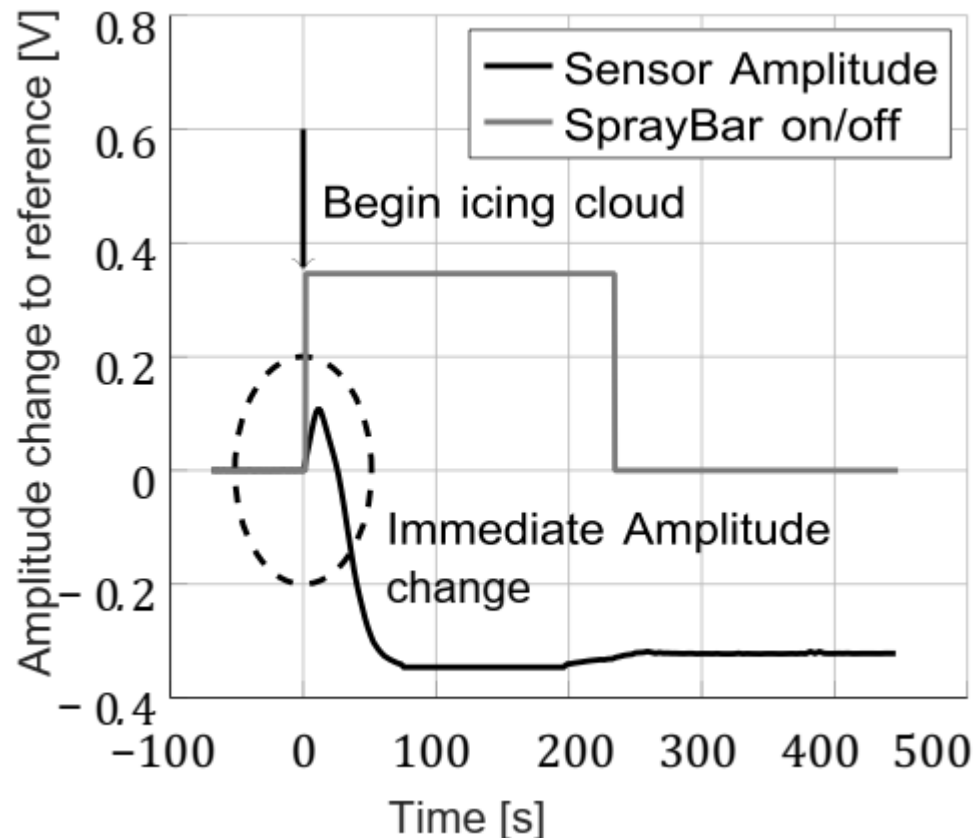
Local Ice Layer Detector (LILD)



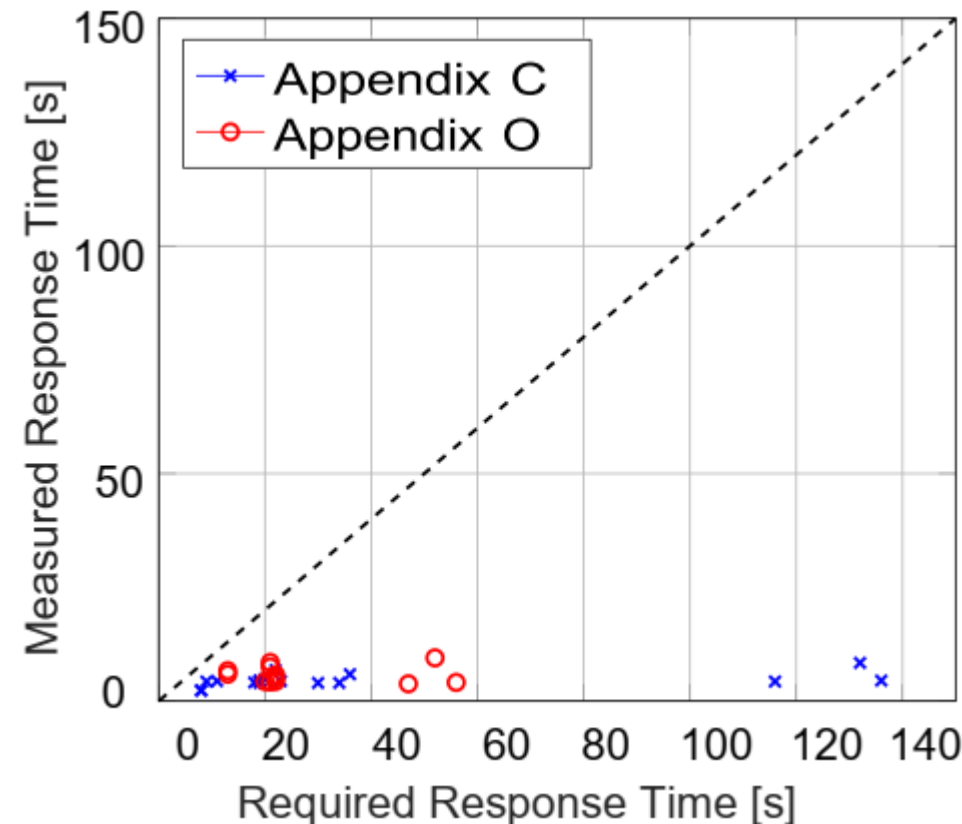
LILD principle of travelling ultrasonic lamb waves



Lamb wave measurement channels marked in red for IWT test



LILD immediate lamb wave amplitude reaction of the received pulse upon icing conditions start for exemplary Appendix C test case (MVD = 21.1 μm , LWC = 0,98 g/m^3 , T = -10°C)

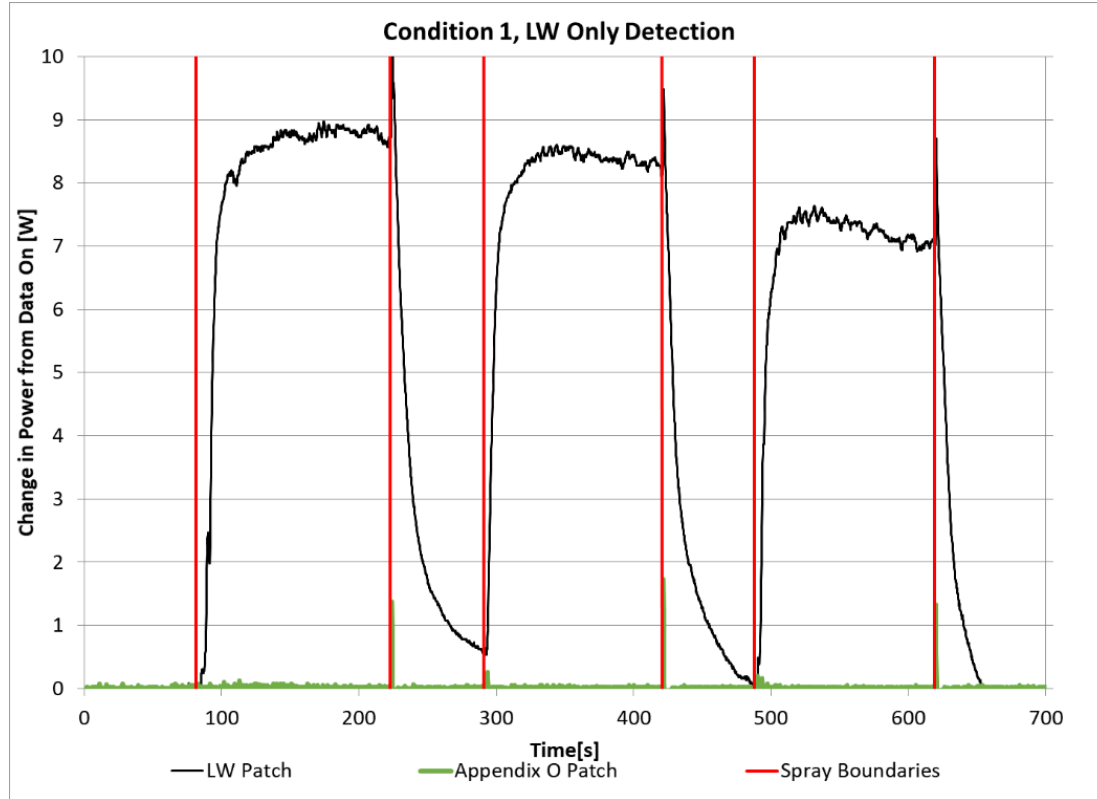


LILD response times for Appendix C and O conditions measured at BIWT compared to the required response time

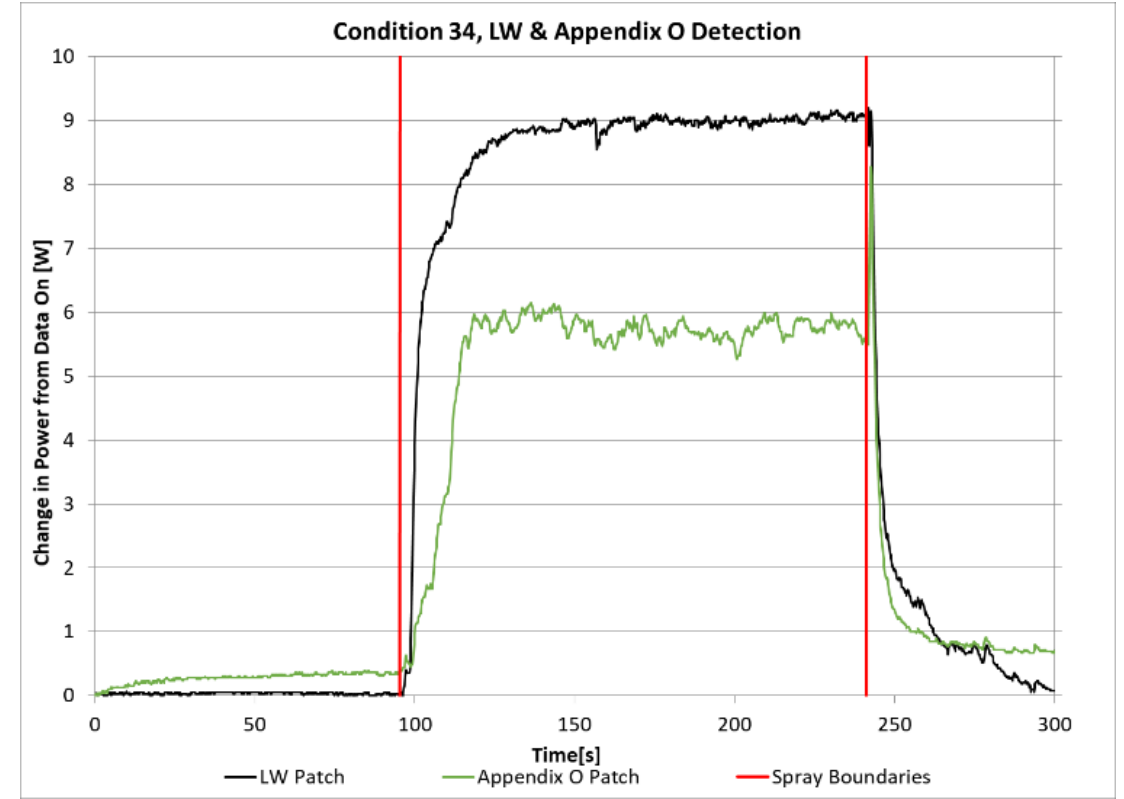


Atmospheric Icing Patch – AIP

consisting of an array of low power (< 28W) iso-thermal ice detection sensors



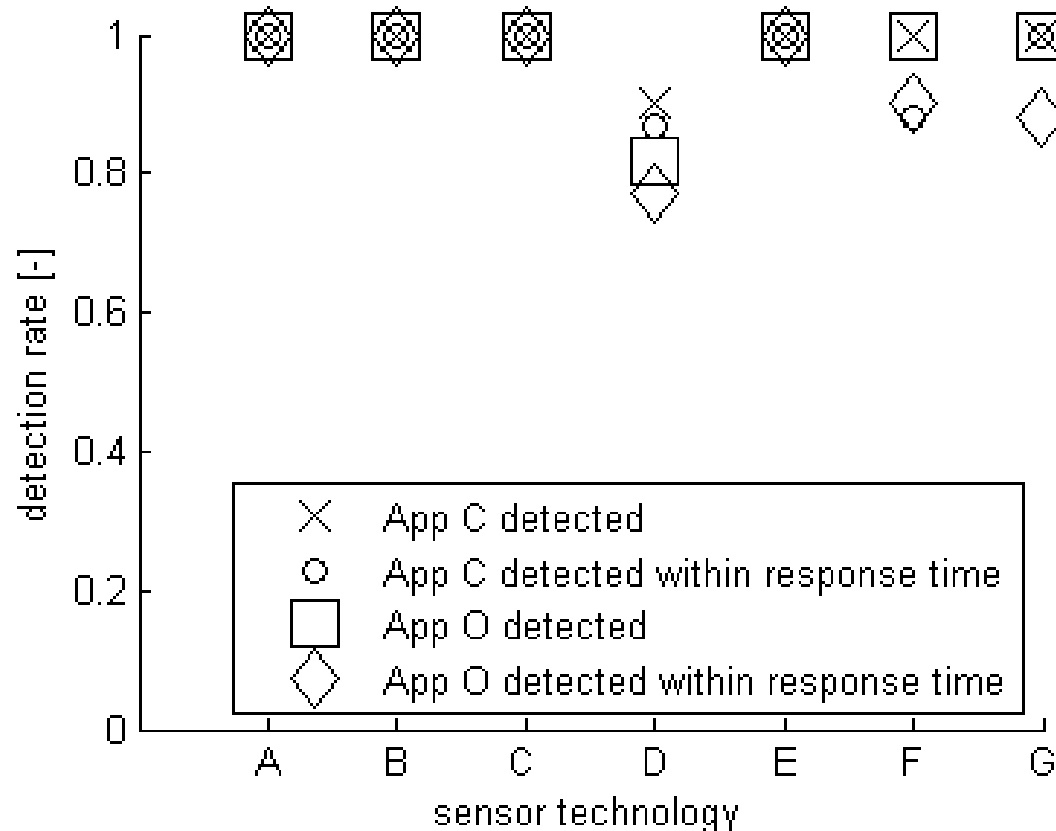
Example of AIP patch power response in small droplet icing conditions (note Appendix O patch shows no response)



Example of AIP patch power response in large droplet icing conditions (note Appendix O patch response)



SENS4ICE sensor technologies IWT testing detection rates for App. C and O icing condition test points

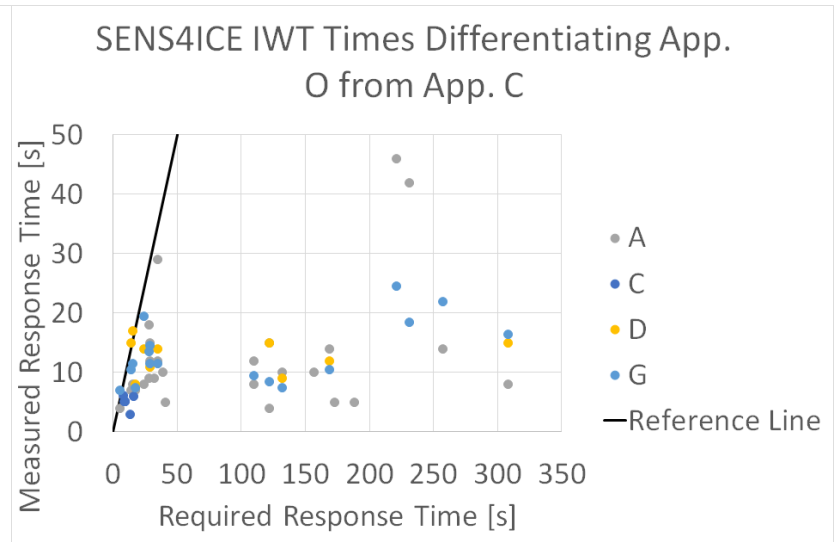
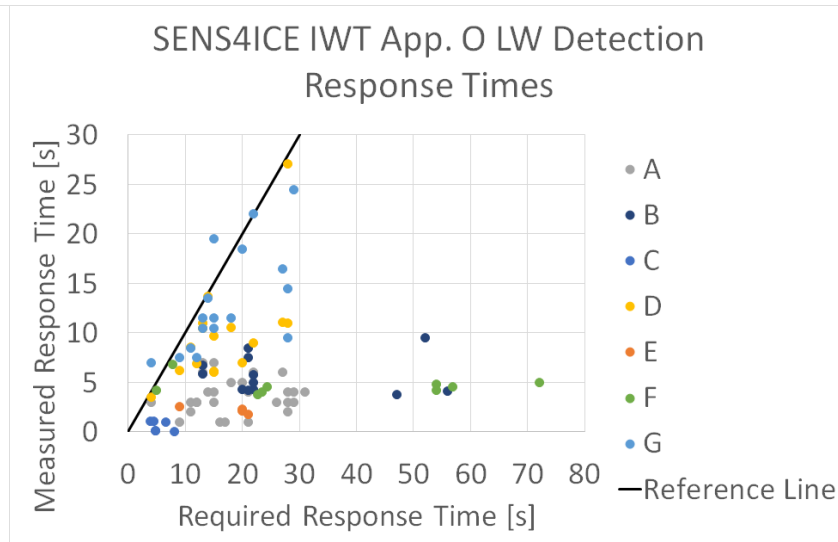
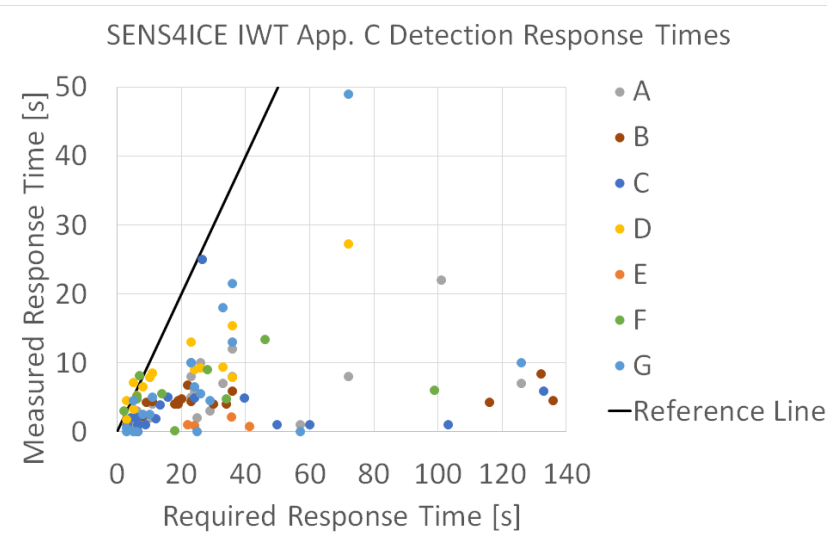


- 💧 anonymised overview of detection rates
 - 💧 test cases successfully detected related to total number of test cases
 - 💧 excluding CM2D scientific/reference sensor and one other sensor that was withdrawn from IWT testing in the context of Covid-19 related delays
- 💧 several sensors have correctly detected 100% of test points for Appendix C and also for Appendix O
- 💧 also within required maximum response time
 - 💧 as per EUROCAE inflight icing systems standard ED-103
 - 💧 maximum response time depending on icing condition



SENS4ICE sensor technologies IWT measured sensor response times compared to required response times

- 💧 anonymised results
- 💧 required maximum response time as per EUROCAE inflight icing systems standard ED-103 (depending on icing condition)
- 💧 App. C test points liquid water (LW) detection
- 💧 App. O test points liquid water (LW) detection
- 💧 differentiating App. C conditions from App. O conditions (for sensors providing differentiation information)

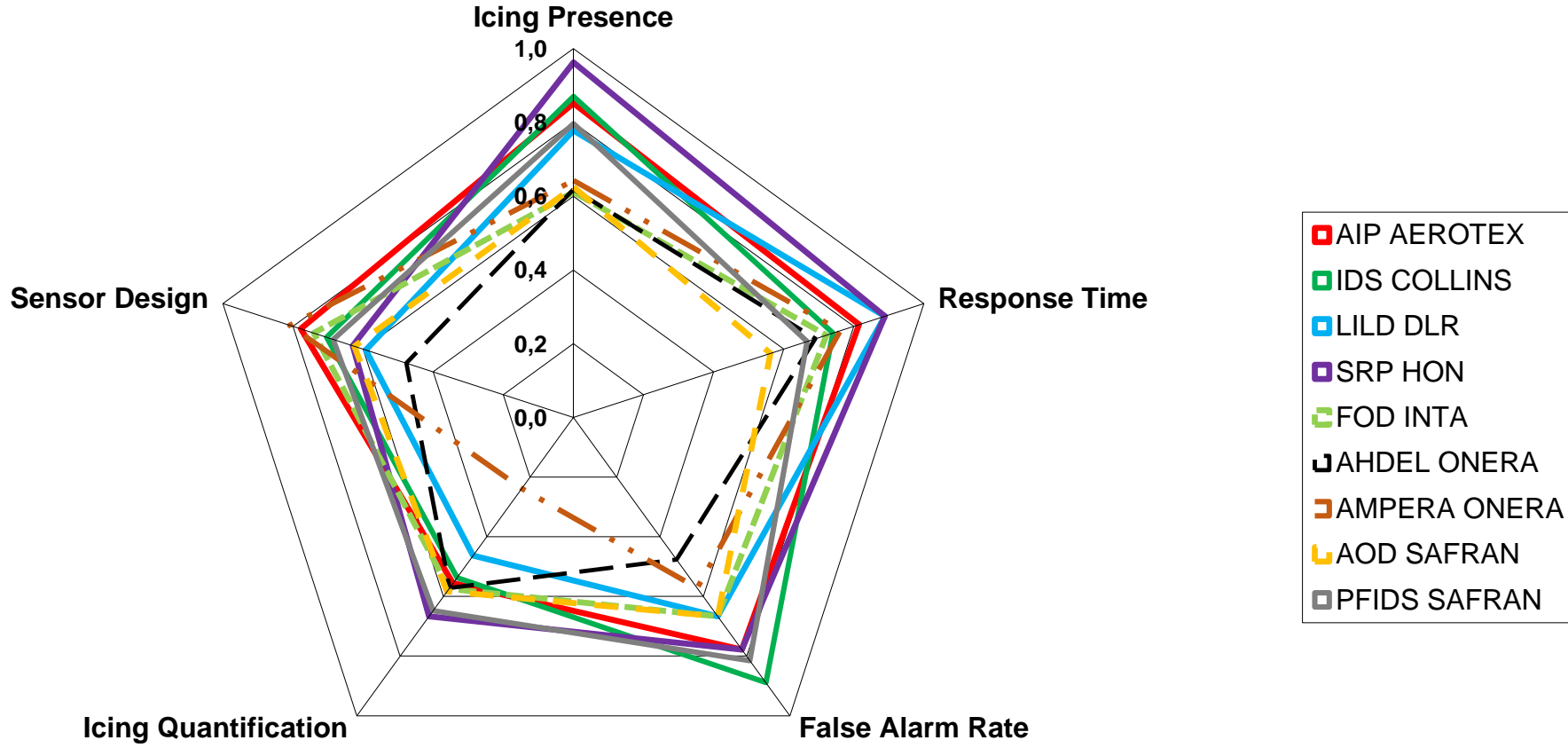


Technology evaluation criteria and weighting factors

| Technology evaluation criteria | Weighting factor |
|---|------------------|
| Icing (ice accretion) / Icing condition presence detection capability (for App. C (required) and App. O (primary project goal, hence App. O capabilities are more relevant)) | 0.35 |
| Response time (for providing Icing/Icing Condition Presence) | 0.20 |
| False alarm rate (i.e., detection of icing in non-icing conditions) | 0.10 |
| Icing quantification and contributing factors for severity determination , mainly with regard to App. O (discrimination App. C/O, icing, icing condition characteristics, either of those outputs can contribute to a good rating, while not all are required) | 0.30 |
| Sensor design : weight/integration/power (expected once technology is matured) | 0.05 |

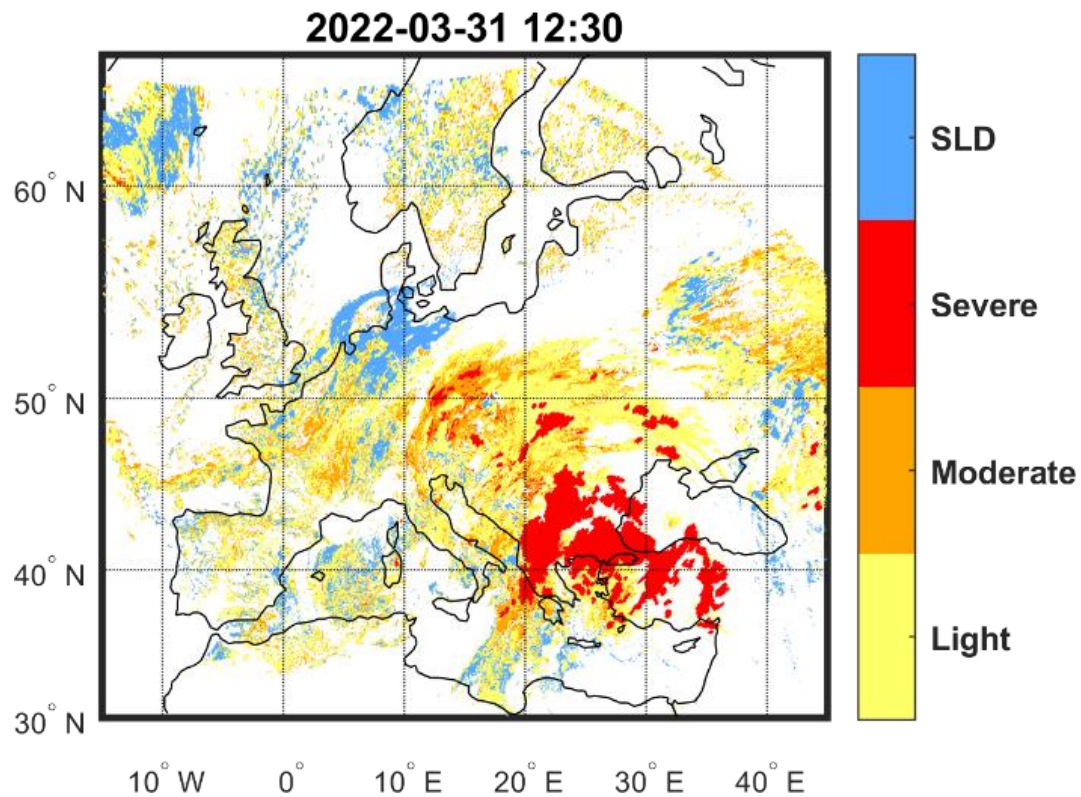


SENS4ICE Advisory Board evaluation ratings for sensor technologies averaged for all Advisory Board members for evaluation criteria (averaged ratings between 0 and 1, normalised, best rating 1)

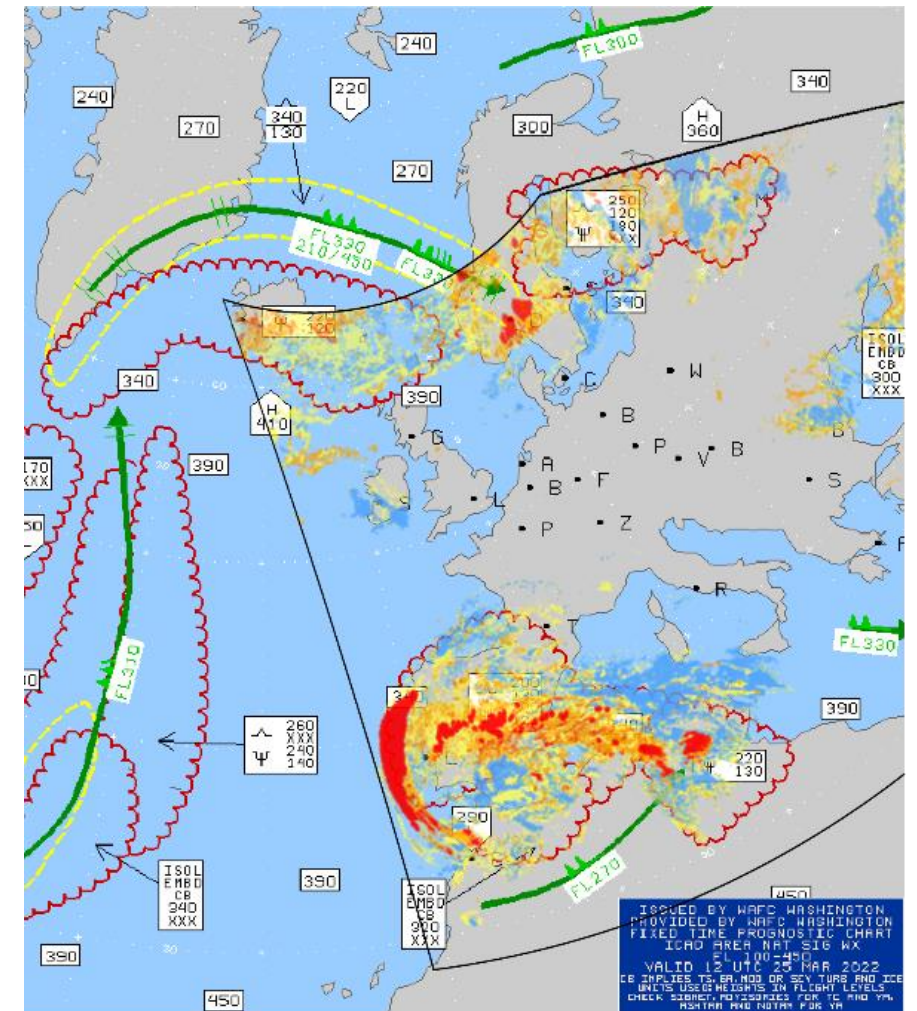


Remote Ice Detection

- ❖ CIRA enhanced and matured existing satellite data based icing detection algorithm to consider SLD icing conditions
- ❖ main factors: liquid water content (LWC), temperature, droplet size and cloud type



CIRA remote icing detection algorithm output for 31 MAR 2022 12:30 UTC



CIRA remote icing detection validation example (comparison with SIGWX chart)



WP2: Hybrid Ice Detection

Robust Hybrid Ice Detection:

different techniques for
direct sensing of
atmospheric conditions
and/or ice accretion



indirect techniques to
detect change of aircraft
characteristics with ice
accretion on airframe

Development, test, validation and maturation of different technologies for

- direct ice detection
- indirect ice detection

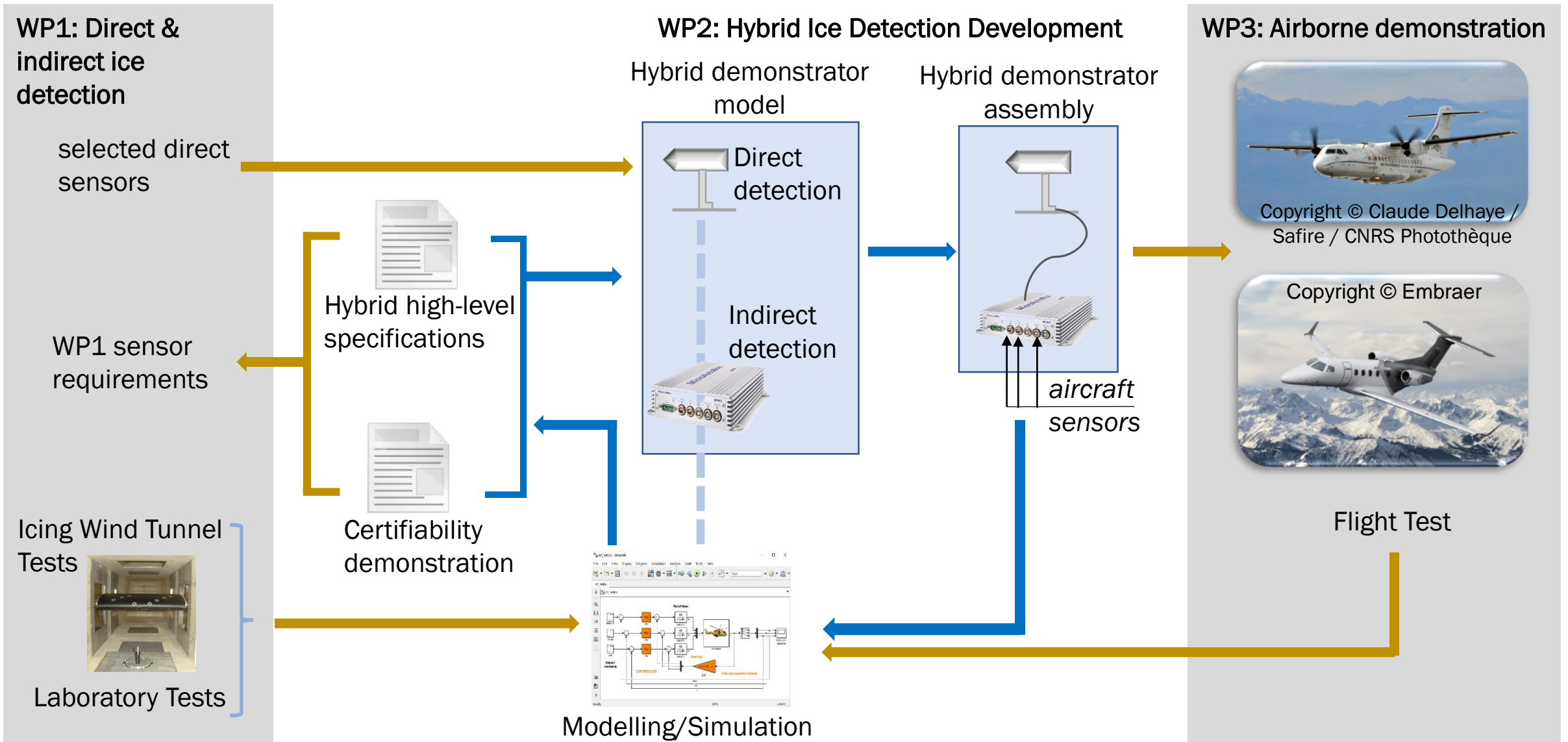
Objectives for hybrid ice detection

1. Hybrid ice detection system specification
2. Certification programme for hybrid ice detection system
3. Hybrid ice detection system modelling
4. Hybrid ice detection design, build & assembly (+ TRL 5 review)

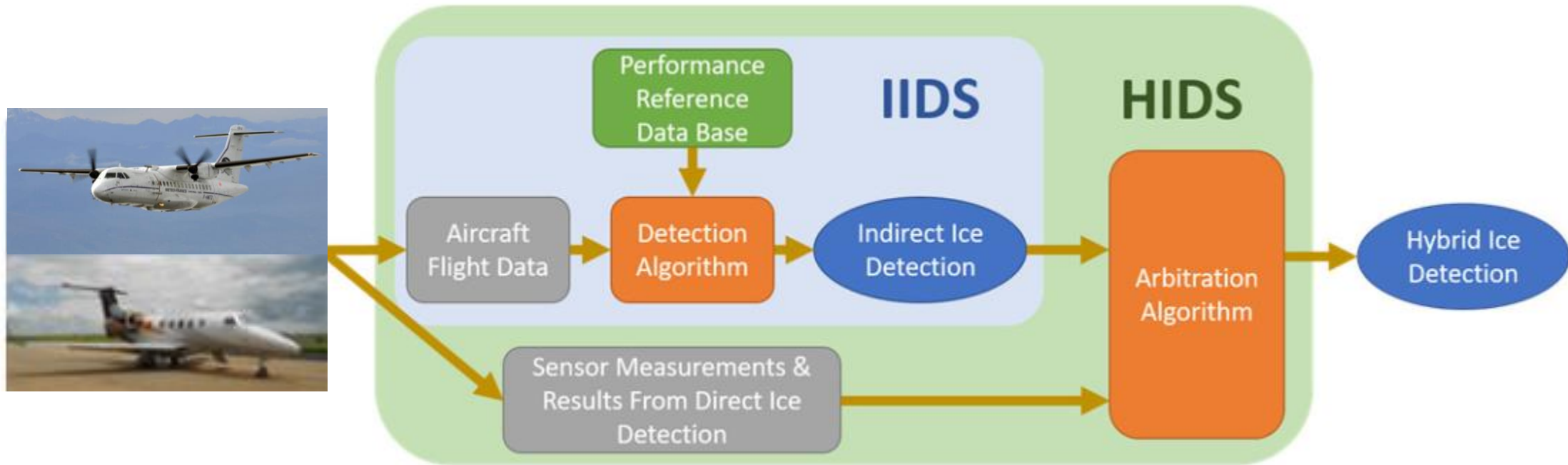
in close cooperation with OEMs and certification authorities during SENS4ICE



WP2: Hybrid Ice Detection – Development Workflow



Hybrid Ice Detection System (HIDS) concept including Indirect Ice Detection System (IIDS)



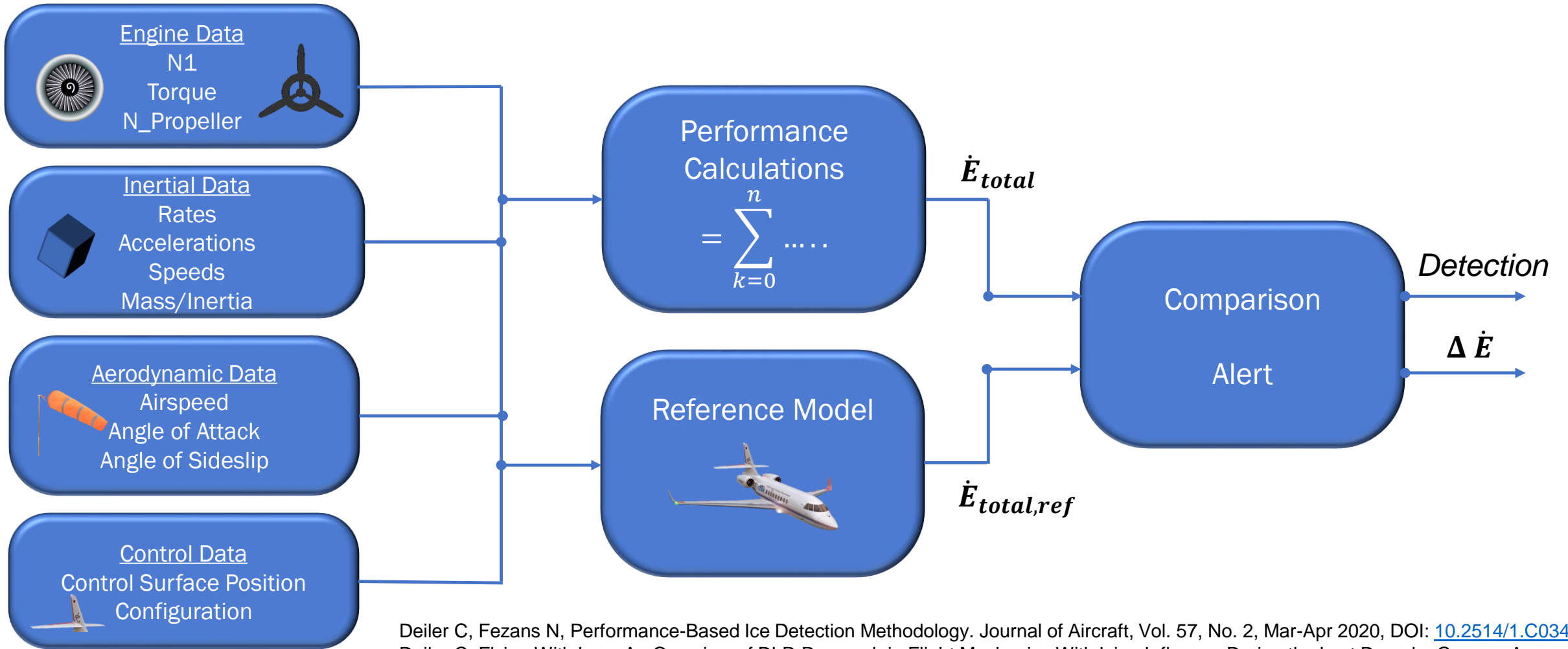
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DLR's Indirect Ice Detection – based on aircraft performance System Design

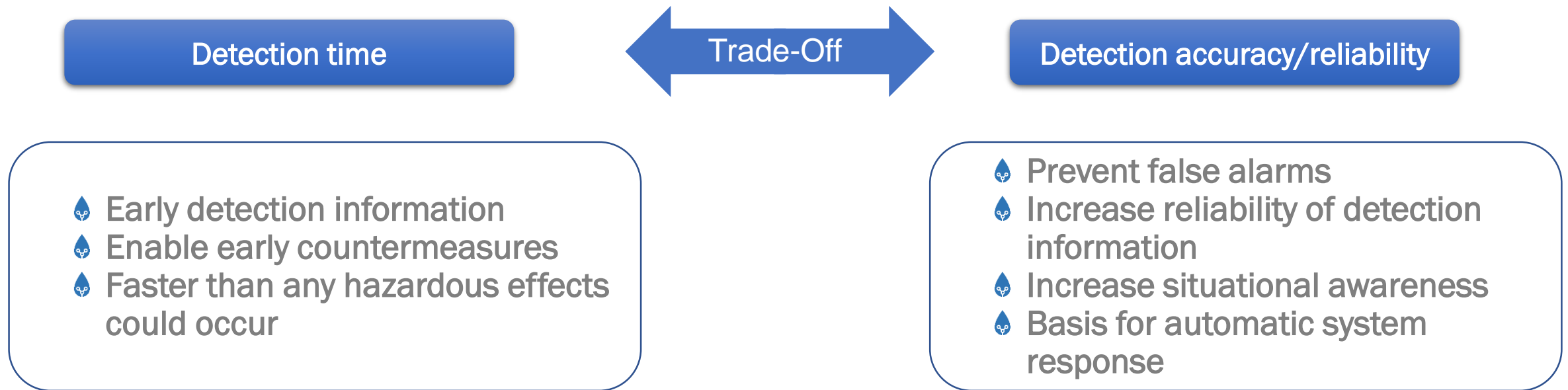


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Indirect Ice Detection – System Performance

Conflicting demands

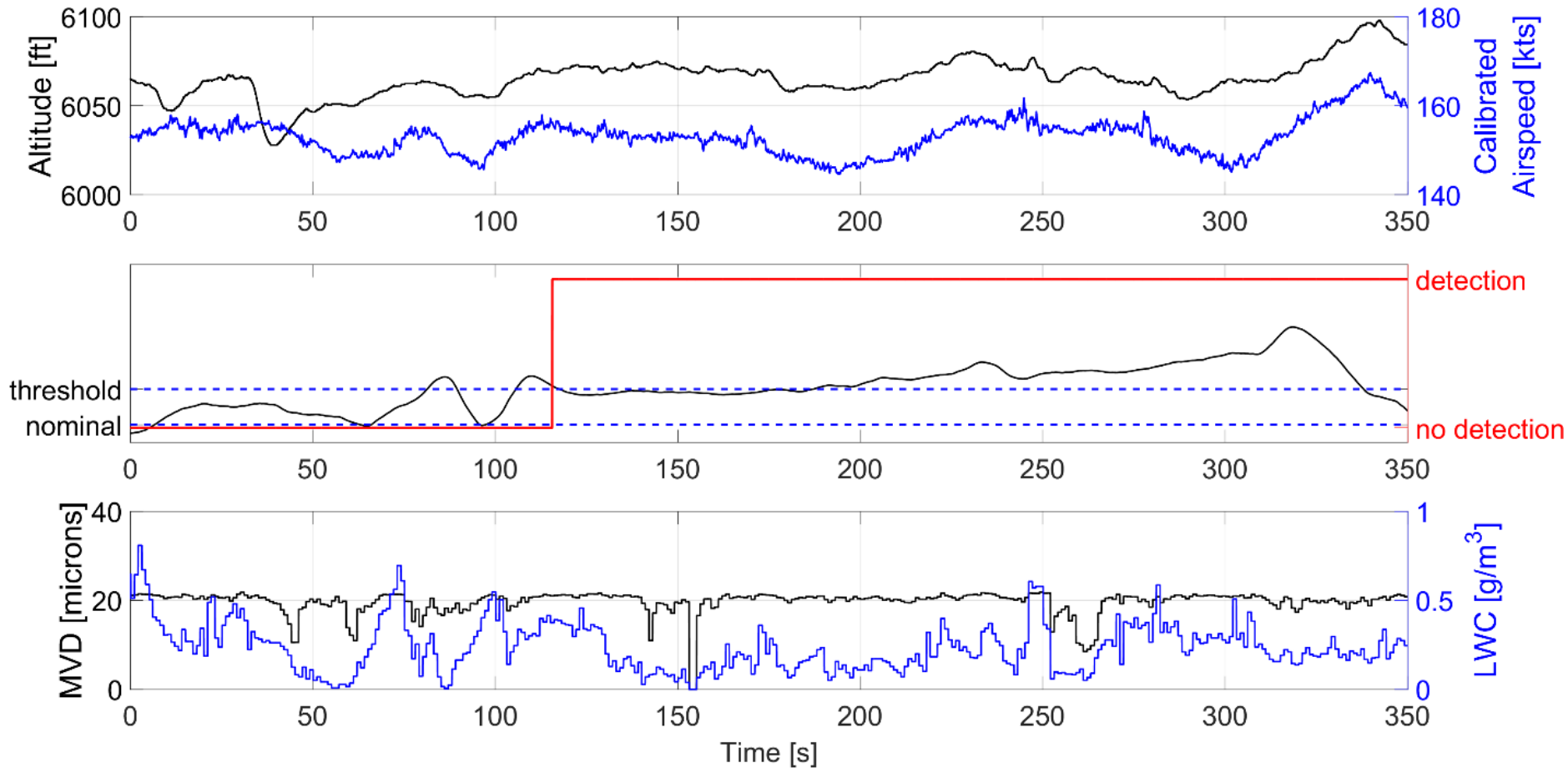


System is based on ice accretion effects on performance (continuous change, no significant step)

→ Determine a threshold that represents the necessary compromise



Indirect Ice Detection – Flight Test Data Initial Results



Indirect ice detection results based on pre-existing natural icing flight test data exhibiting relative drag increase above detection threshold [Embraer flight test data]



WP3: Airborne Demonstration and Atmosphere Characterisation

dedicated to airborne technology demonstration in relevant icing conditions

Objectives

- Issue main requirements and constraints for integration of sensors and probes on flight test platforms
- Release flight test program for testing new individual and hybrid technologies in distinct icing conditions
- Perform airborne demonstration in natural icing conditions:
 - in Europe with the French ATR 42 environmental research aircraft of Safire
 - in North America with Embraer Phenom 300
- Characterisation of atmosphere from flight test campaigns in App. 0 conditions

Guidance by special Flight Test Committee (FTC) formed by platform providers and leaders of WP1, WP2 and WP4 to ensure harmonised preparation and execution of individual flight test campaigns



SENS4ICE Flight Campaigns

💧 Total flight test time: 75h in natural icing conditions

💧 North America

💧 February/March 2023

💧 Embraer Phenom 300 operated by Embraer

💧 **15 flights** with a total of **25 flight hours** (including ferry and check flights) successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions

💧 Europe

💧 April 2023

💧 French ATR 42 environmental research aircraft of Safire

💧 **15 flights** with a total of **about 50 flight hours** successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions

Embraer Phenom 300



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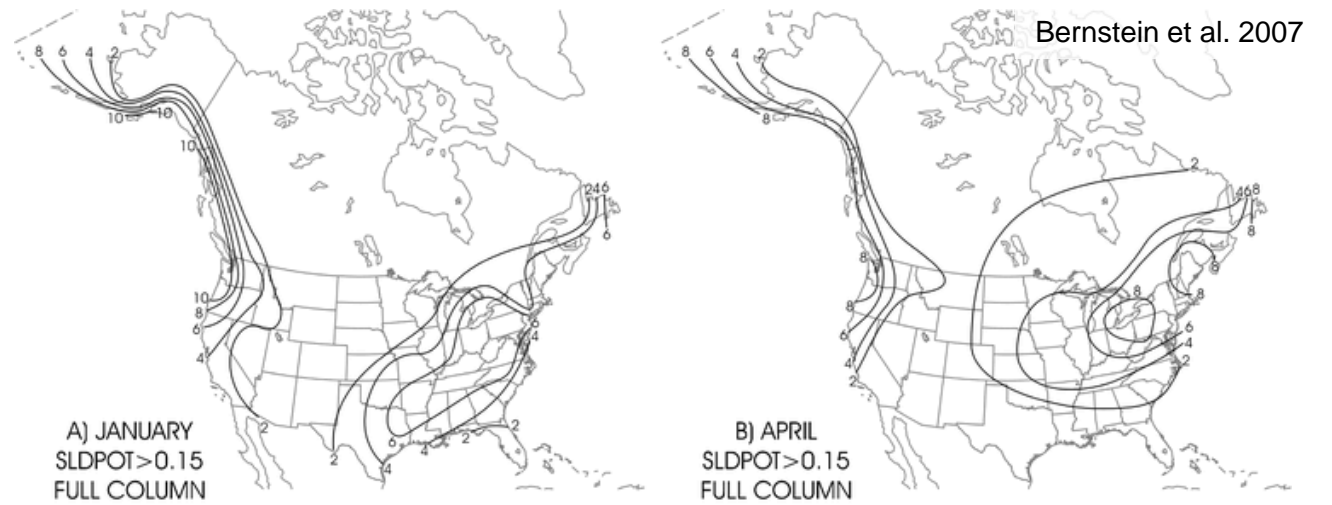
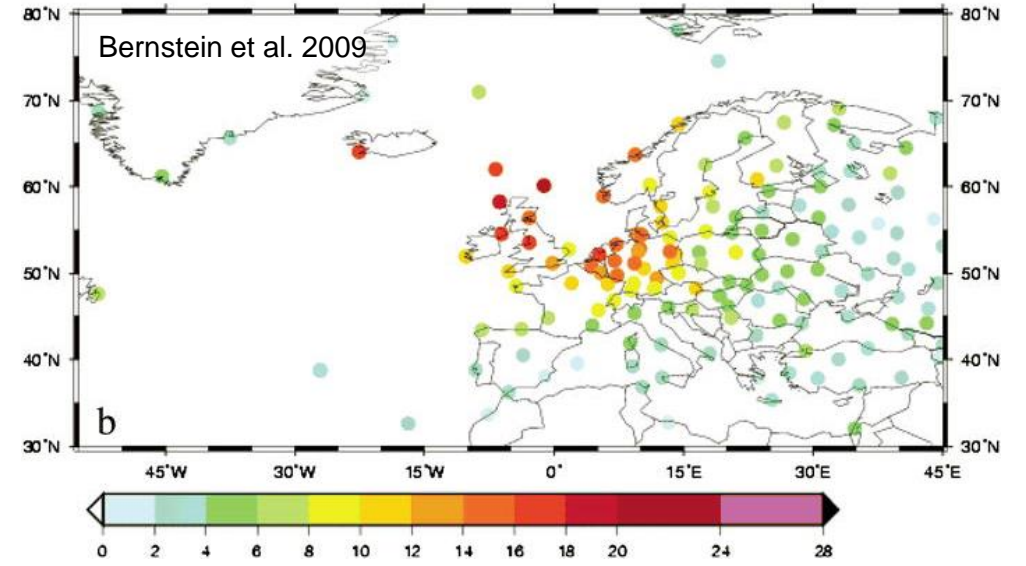
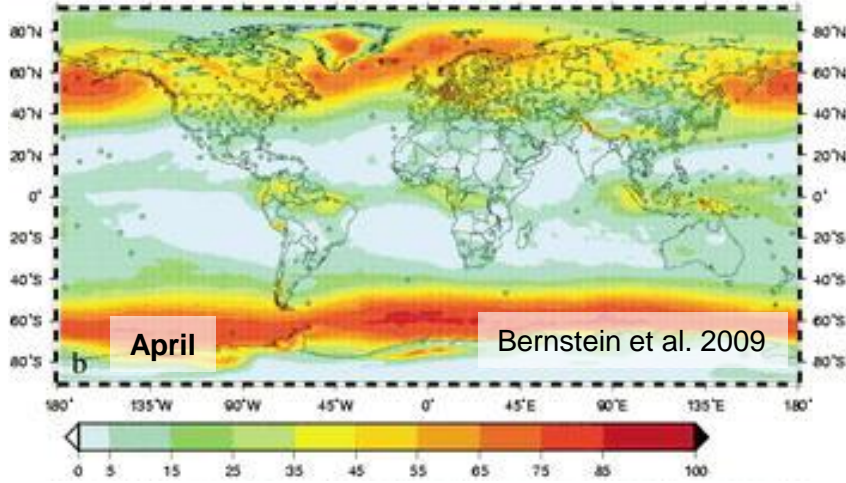
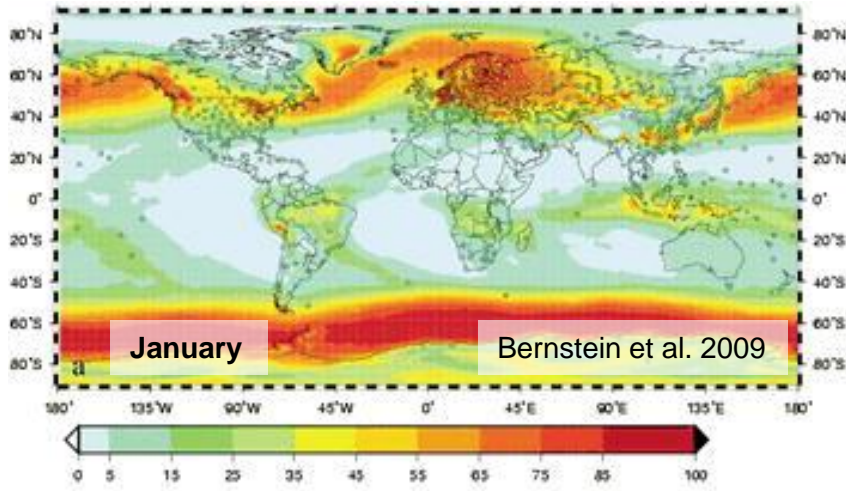
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Icing Frequencies Analysis

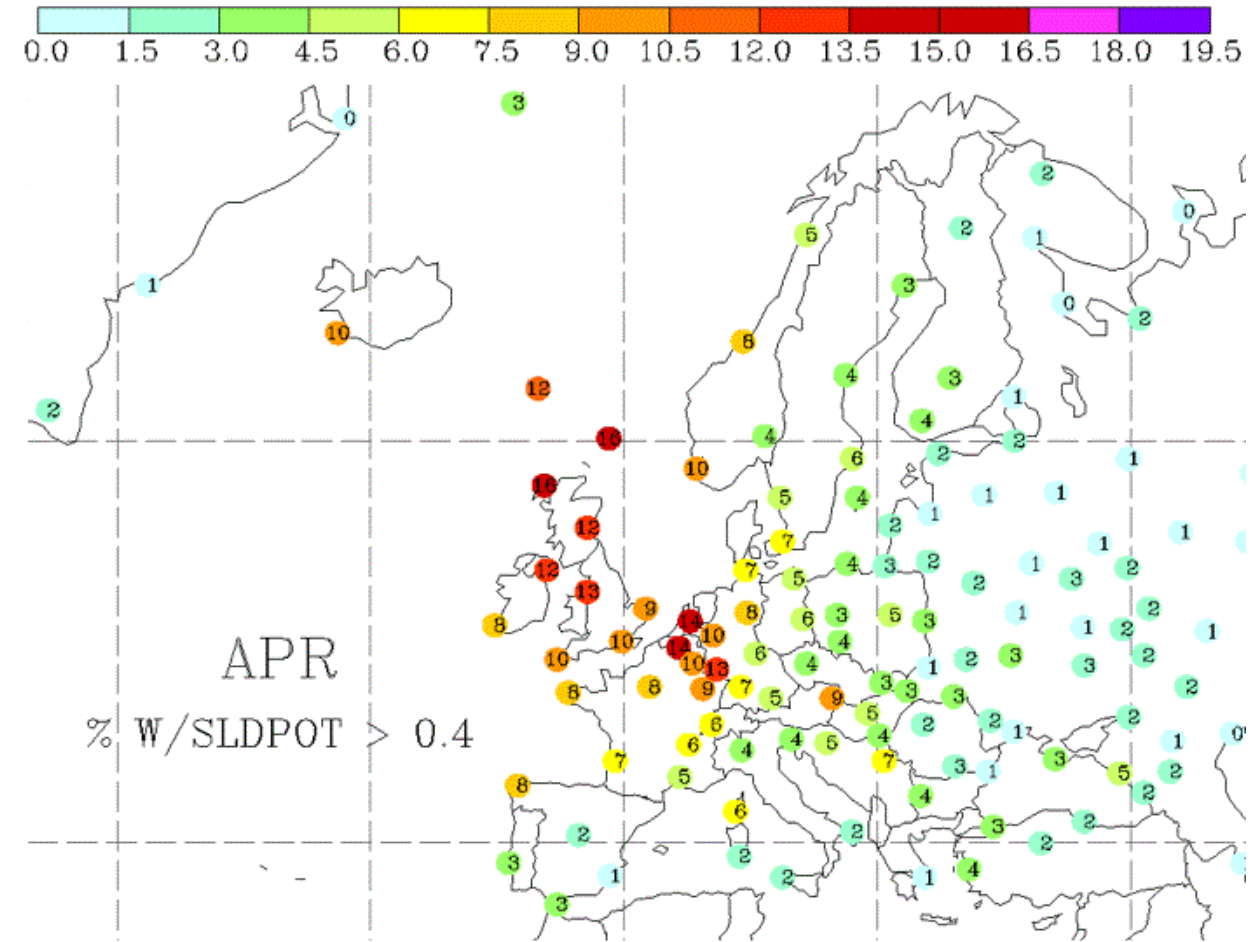
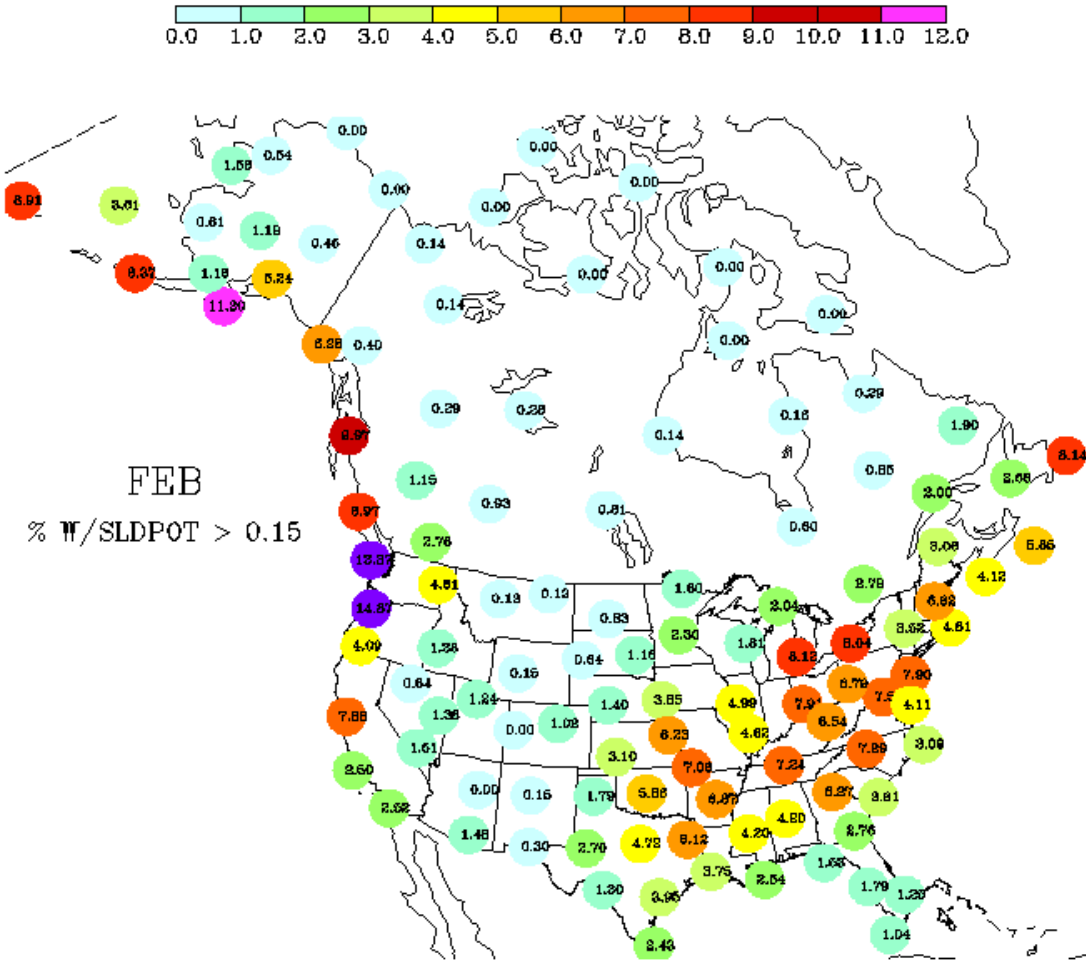


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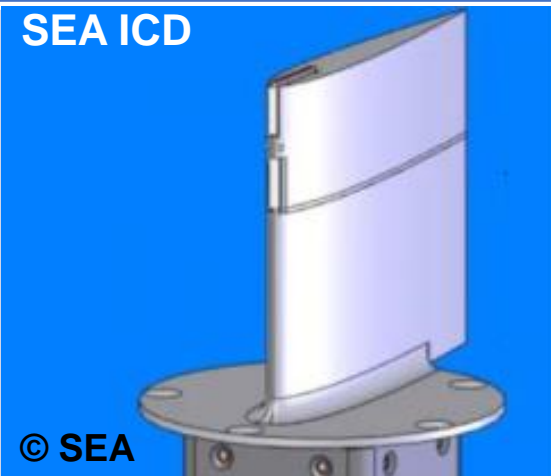



Full column frequencies of days with SLD potential [Ben Bernstein]



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Airborne Reference Instruments for Icing Atmosphere Characterisation

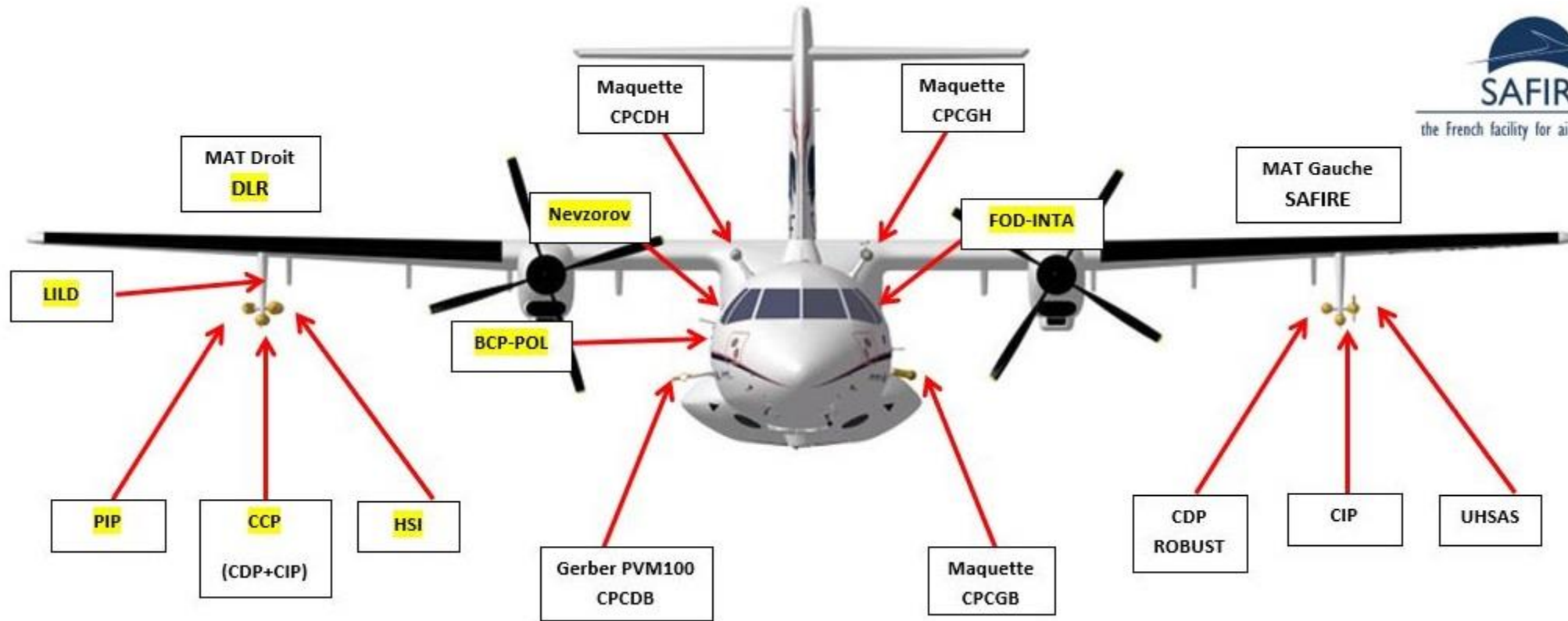
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| Optical instruments: Particle size distributions |  <p>EMB CCP</p> <p>© Dan Bouley</p> |  <p>DLR CCP</p> |
| Other instruments carried: | SAFIRE-CDP, SAFIRE-CIP, SAFIRE-UHSAS, SAFIRE-Robust, SAFIRE-GERBER, DLR-PIP, DLR-BCPD, DLR-HSI | |

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Sensor Locations – Front View



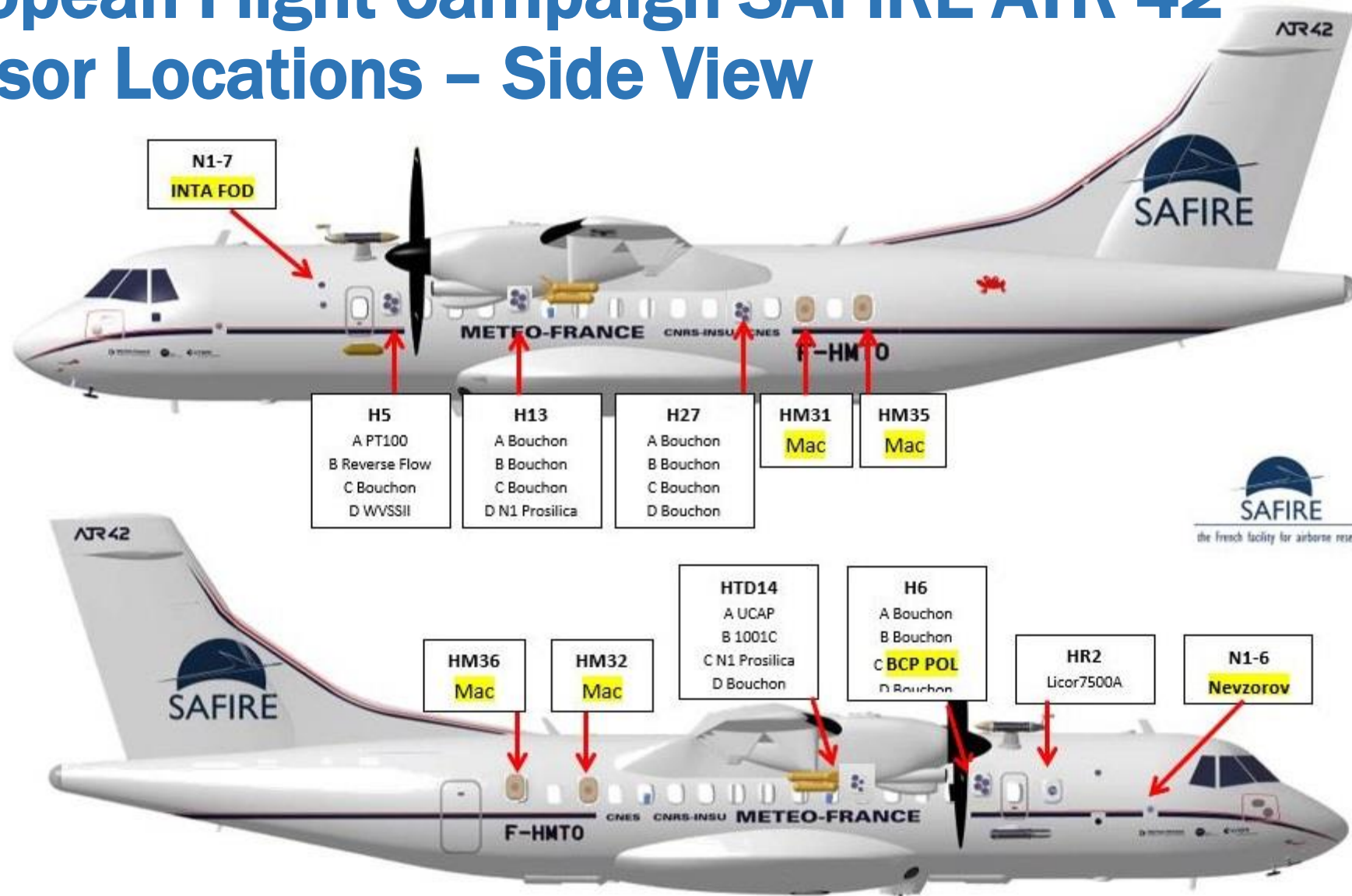
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Sensor Locations – Side View



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SENS4ICE Airborne Reference Instruments for Icing Atmosphere Characterisation

Nevzorov Probe installed on SAFIRE ATR 42



DLR and SAFIRE instruments installed on SAFIRE ATR 42 with ice accretion on the unheated parts while inside supercooled liquid clouds



European Flight Campaign SAFIRE ATR 42 Sensor Installations

- ◆ SENS4ICE ice detection technologies tested with SAFIRE ATR 42
 - ◆ FOD - Fiber Optic Detector (INTA)
 - ◆ AMPERA - Atmospheric Measurement of Potential and ElectRic field on Aircraft (ONERA)
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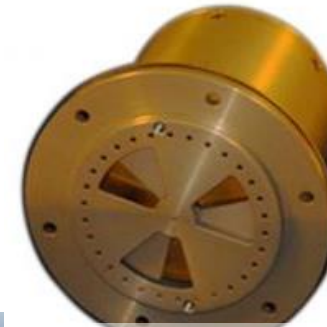
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HIDS-Safran/
IIDS-DLR

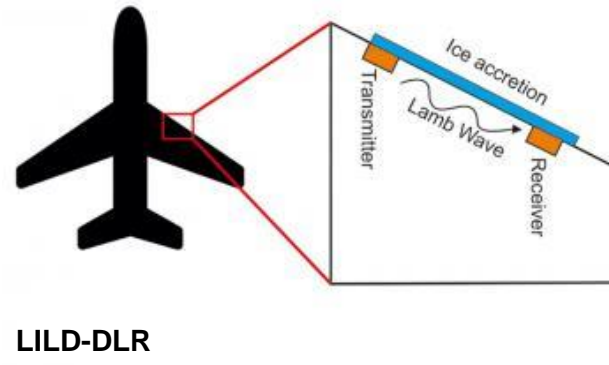


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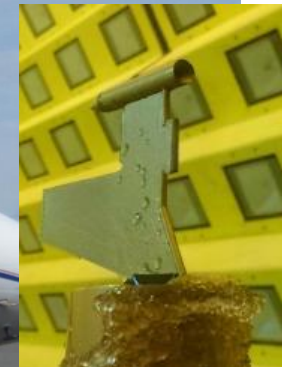


FOD-INTA

SAFIRE ATR 42 with test sensors and reference instruments



LILD-DLR



CM2D-DLR

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North America Flight Campaign Embraer Phenom 300 Sensor Installations

💧 SENS4ICE ice detection technologies tested with Embraer Phenom 300

- 💧 AIP - Atmospheric Icing Patch (AeroTex)
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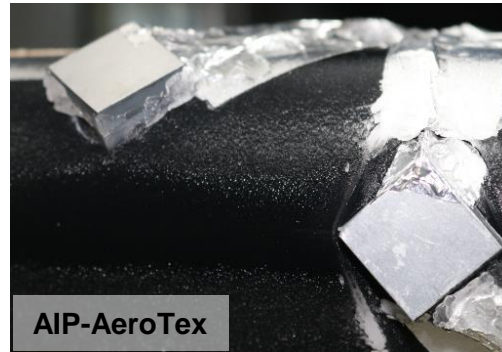
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HIDS-Safran/
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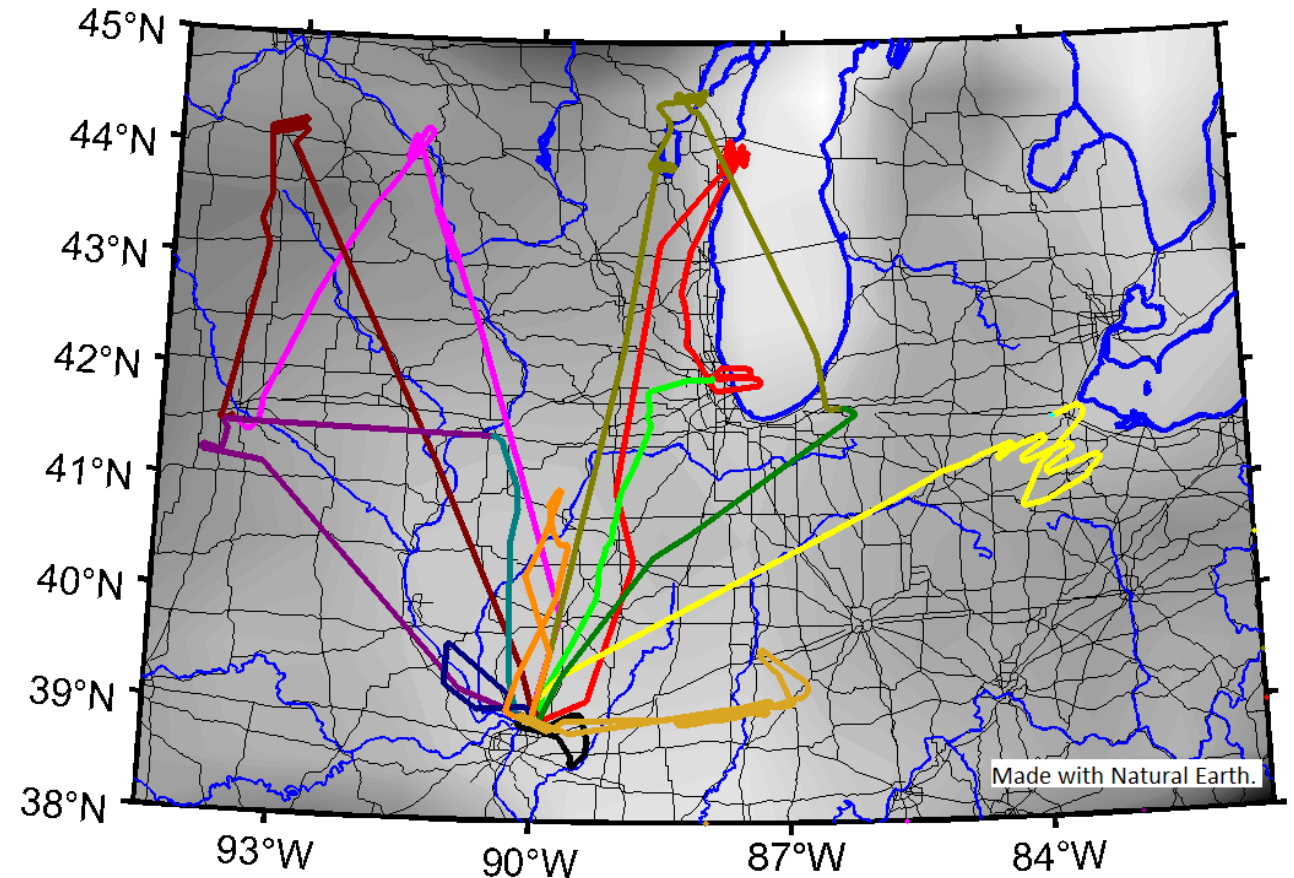
- February/March 2023
- Embraer Phenom 300 operated by Embraer
- 15 flights** with a total of **25 flight hours** (including ferry and check flights) successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions
- total of **55 encounters** with icing clouds flown, ranging from about 2 min to about 7 min duration
- the higher the LWC the lower the exposure time
- icing encounters intended to be relatively short for safety reasons
- preliminary analysis: about 20% of flight time in icing conditions
- initial detailed analysis: 264 min in icing conditions, 37 min Appendix O conditions

| No | Date | Flight duration [hrs] | Comment |
|----|-------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| 1 | 22 FEB 2023 | 0:39 | Check flight |
| 2 | 23 FEB 2023 | 2:45 | Appendix O |
| 3 | 23 FEB 2023 | 1:12 | Appendix C |
| 4 | 25 FEB 2023 | 2:03 | Appendix O |
| 5 | 25 FEB 2023 | 1:37 | Appendix C |
| 6 | 01 MAR 2023 | 2:45 | Appendix O |
| 7 | 01 MAR 2023 | 2:12 | Appendix O |
| 8 | 06 MAR 2023 | 1:07 | Appendix C |
| 9 | 06 MAR 2023 | - | Dry Air |
| 10 | 08 MAR 2023 | 2:21 | Appendix O |
| 11 | 08 MAR 2023 | 0:40 | Return to base |
| 12 | 08 MAR 2023 | - | Check flight |
| 13 | 09 MAR 2023 | 1:23 | Appendix C |
| 14 | 10 MAR 2023 | 2:15 | Appendix O |
| 15 | 10 MAR 2023 | 1:08 | Appendix C |



SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America Ground Tracks

- ✈ Aircraft located in Alton, Illinois, along the border between Illinois and Missouri
- ✈ Operating in regions of flat terrain to the west and south of the Great Lakes



SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America

Icing Encounter Statistics

| Date | Flight ID | App. C encounters [-] | App. O encounters [-] | App. C duration [mm:ss] | App. O duration [mm:ss] |
|-------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 23 FEB 2023 | F1475-1 | 20 | 5 | 20:18 | 09:03 |
| 23 FEB 2023 | F1475-2 | 4 | 0 | 19:59 | 00:00 |
| 25 FEB 2023 | F1476 | 20 | 7 | 38:47 | 22:24 |
| 01 MAR 2023 | F1477-1 | 17 | 3 | 31:03 | 03:55 |
| 01 MAR 2023 | F1477-2 | 9 | 8 | 14:30 | 07:31 |
| 06 MAR 2023 | F1478 | 11 | 4 | 43:24 | 04:20 |
| 09 MAR 2023 | F1481 | 11 | 3 | 15:51 | 02:46 |
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💧 Ice accreted on windshield after leaving clouds with supercooled liquid water



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📌 Ice accretion on windshield during SLD cloud encounter

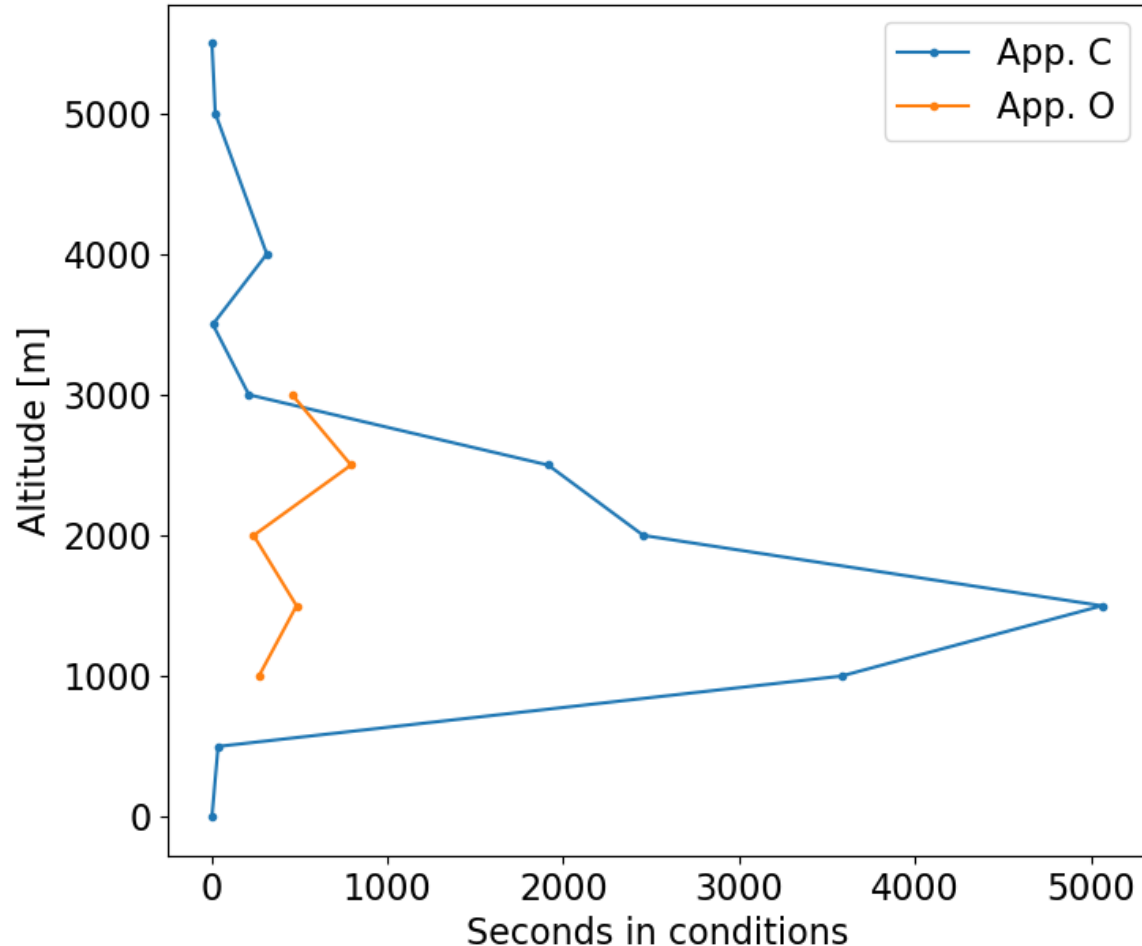


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Altitude of Icing Conditions



- ❄️ Icing conditions encountered mainly between 500 m and 3000 m, with a maximum around 1500 m
- ❄️ Appendix O conditions encountered between 1000 m and 3000 m

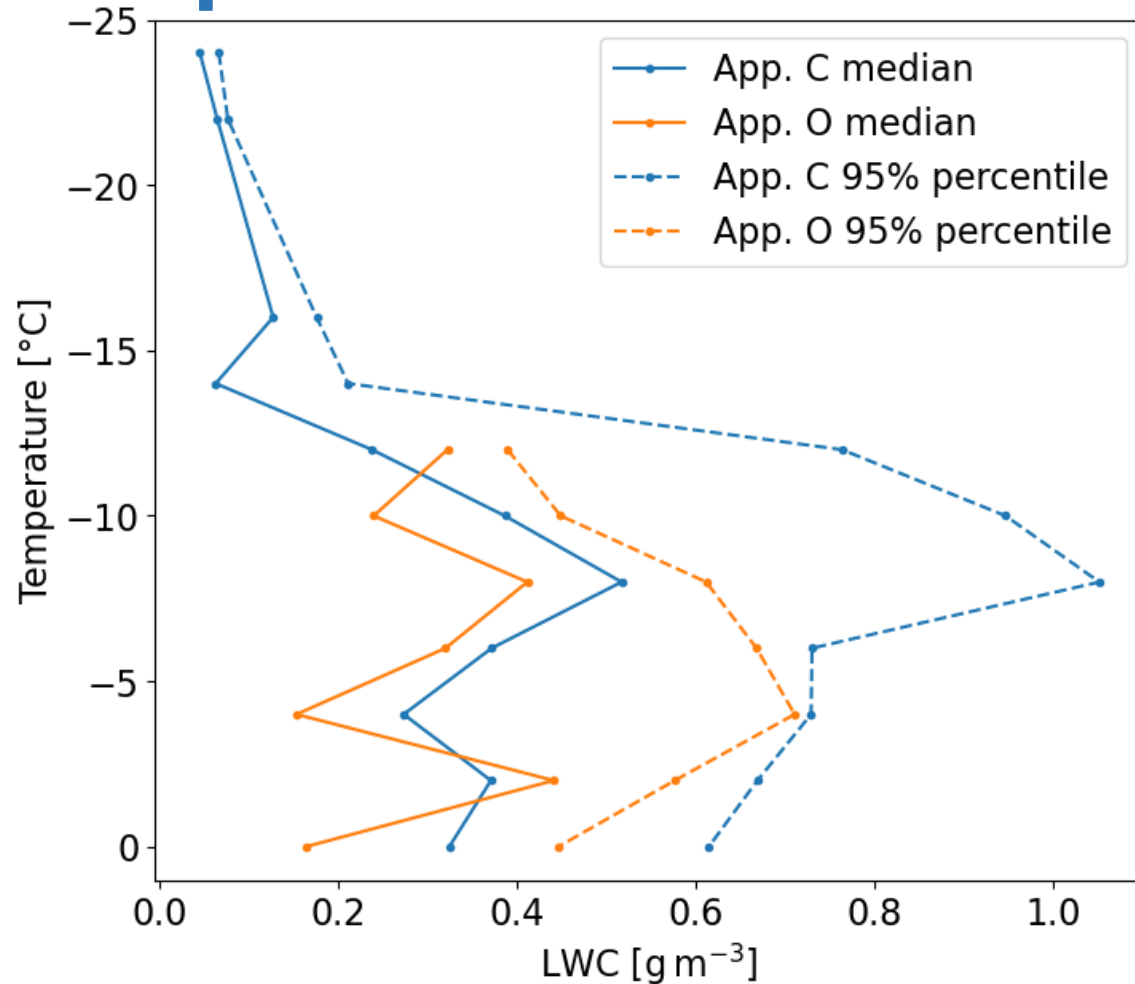
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Temperature distribution of Appendix C and O conditions



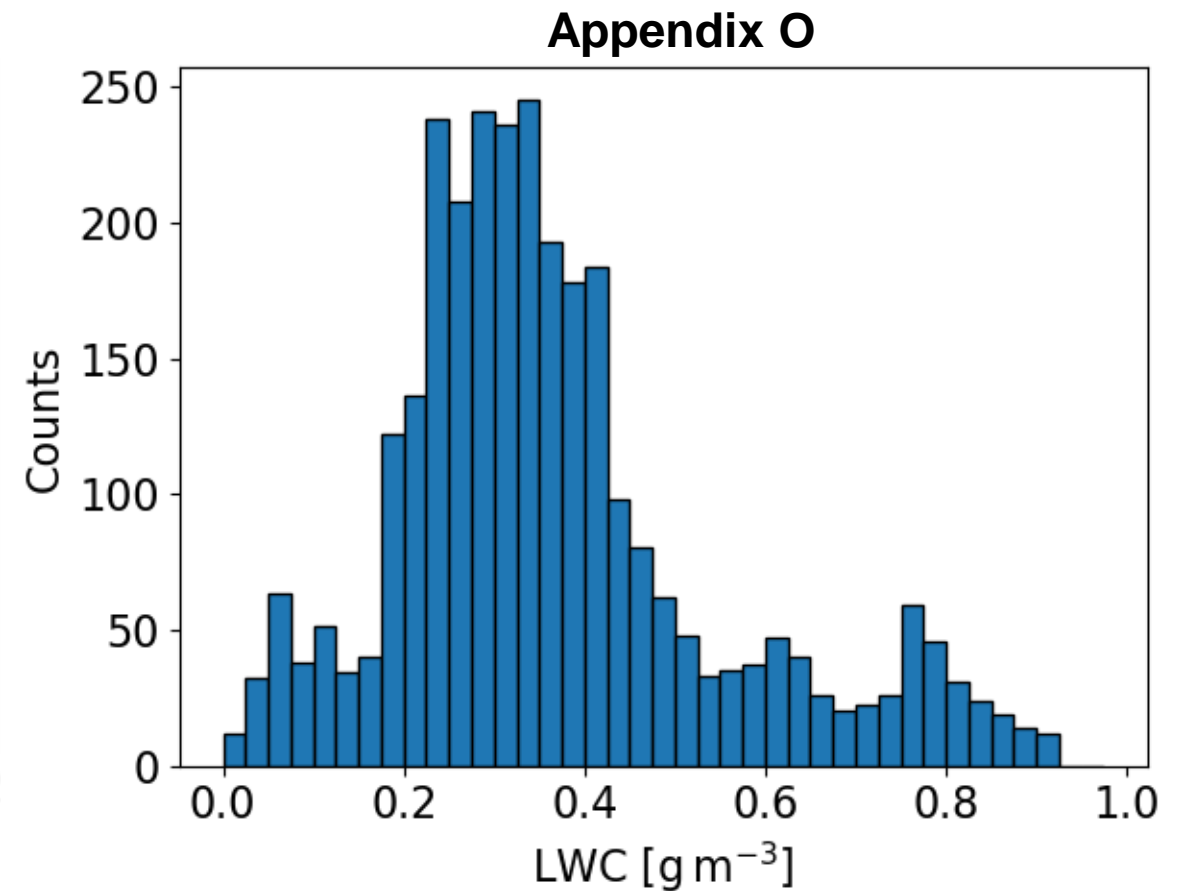
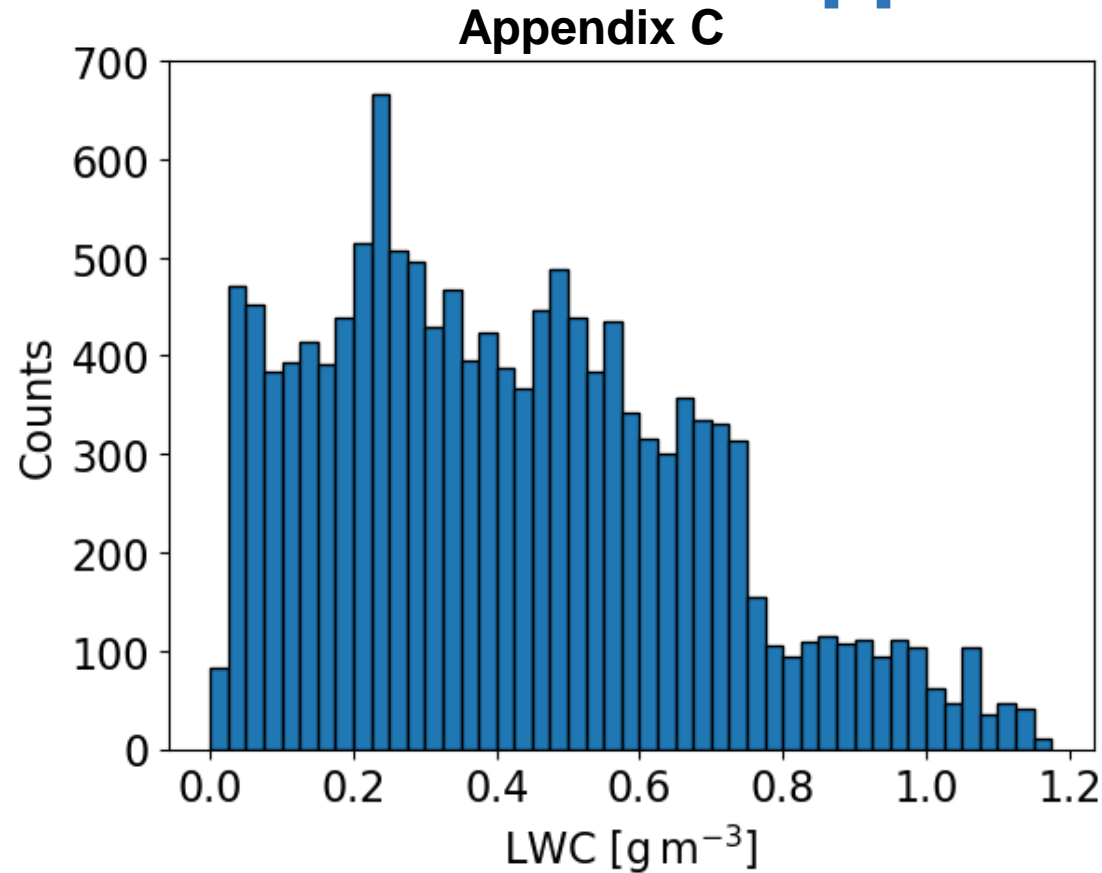
- Appendix O conditions were encountered from -12°C upwards.
- For Appendix C conditions median liquid water content much lower below -13°C.
- Appendix C LWCs are larger than Appendix O LWCs

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LWC distribution of Appendix C and O conditions



- Appendix C conditions frequently reached LWCs up to about 0.8 g/m^3
- Appendix O conditions peaked around 0.3 g/m^3 , but in few cases reached up to 0.9 g/m^3

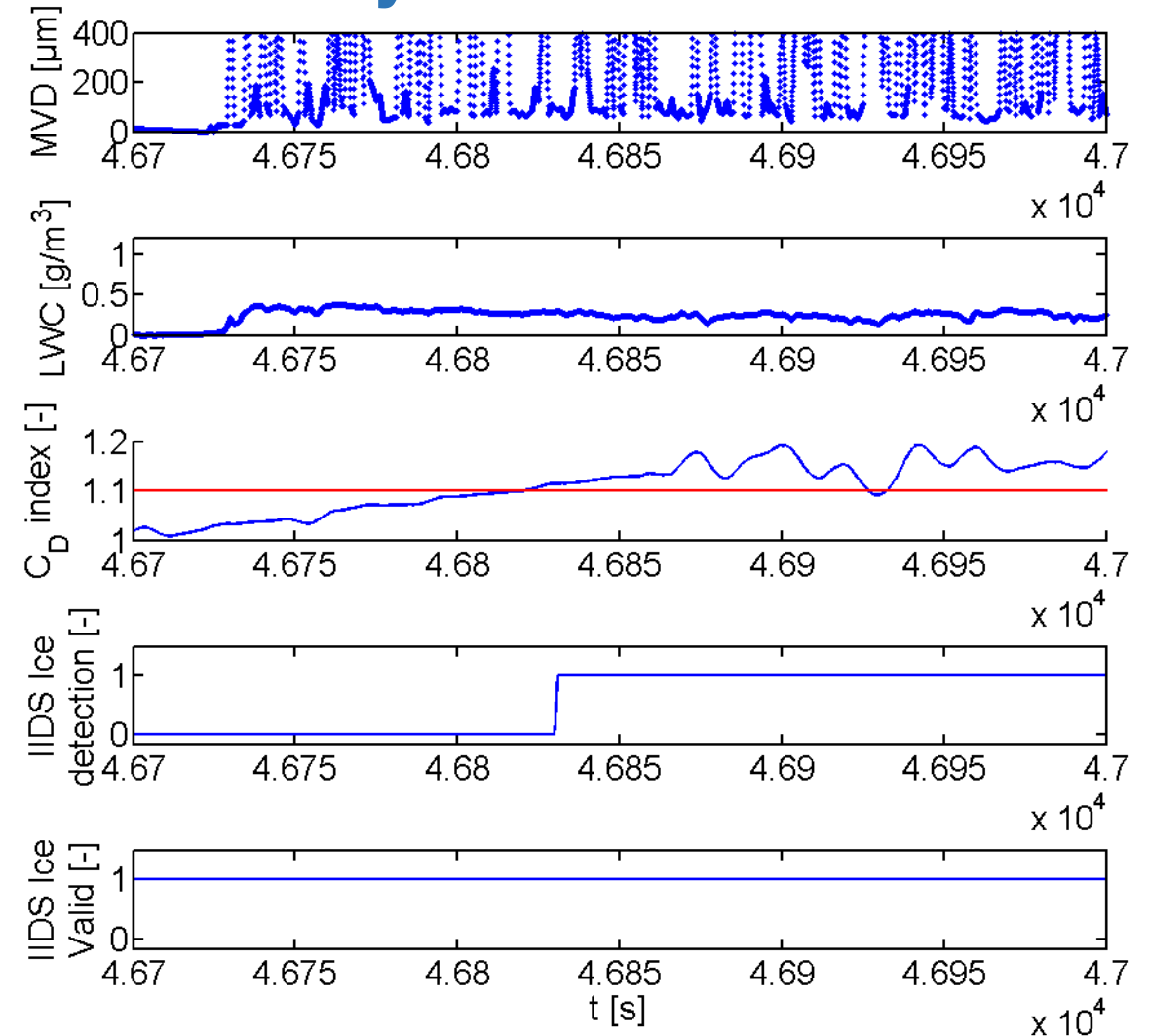
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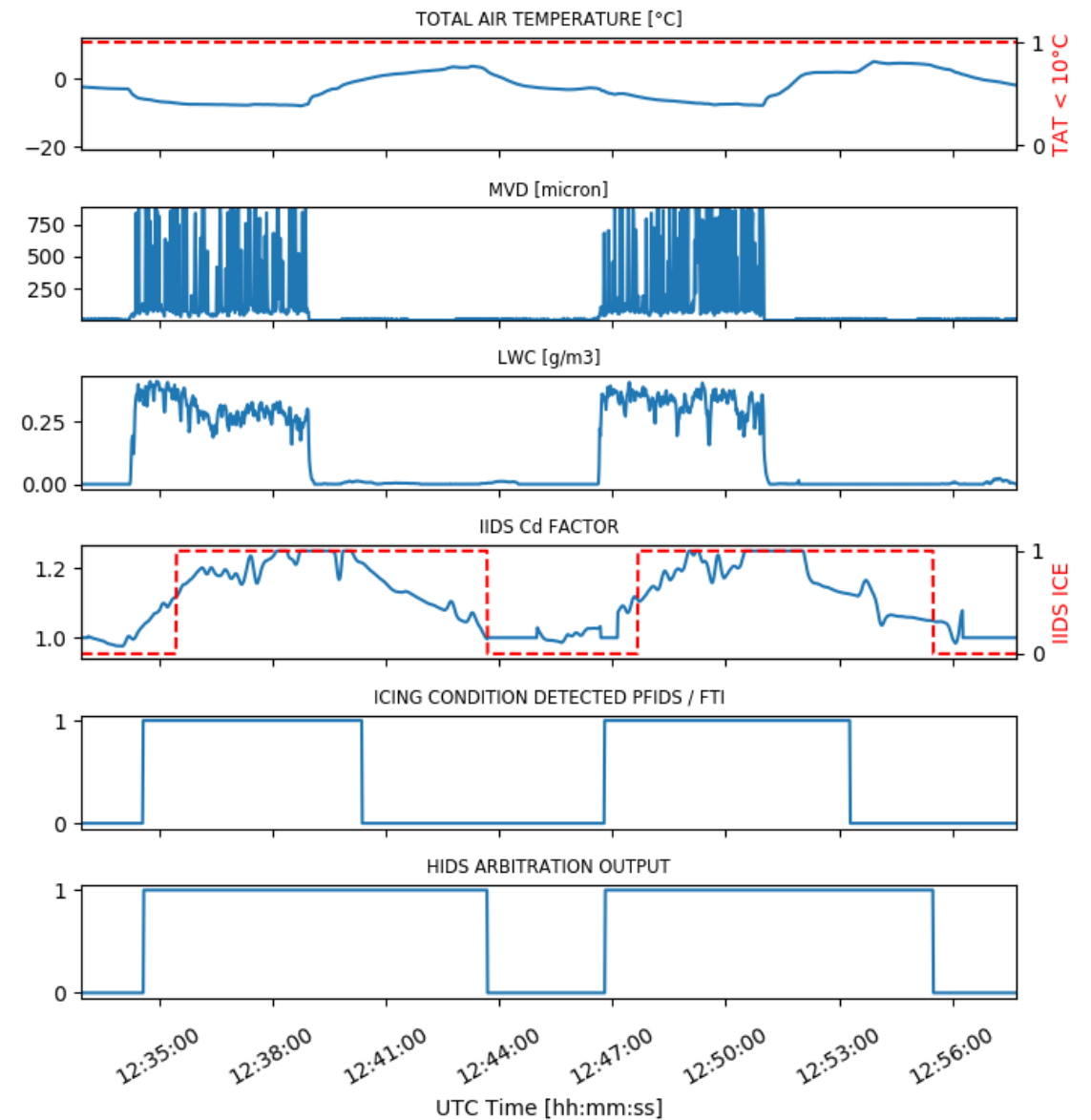
Indirect Ice Detection – Preliminary Results

- flight test 25 Feb 2023
- outcome example based on preliminary analysis and compared to preliminary results for MVD and LWC



SENS4ICE Flight Campaign North America Hybrid Ice Detection – Preliminary Results

◆ HIDS (Hybrid Ice Detection System), including IIDS (Indirect Ice Detection System), flight test 25 Feb 2023 outcome example based on preliminary analysis and compared to preliminary results for MVD and LWC



SENS4ICE Flight Campaign Europe

| SENS4ICE Flight No | Safire Flight ID | Date | Takeoff (UTC) | Landing (UTC) |
|--------------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
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| 2 | as230010 | 2023-04-04 | 2023-04-04 at 11:38:45 in Franczal | 2023-04-04 at 12:53:28 in Hyeres |
| 3 | as230011 | 2023-04-04 | 2023-04-04 at 13:11:38 in Hyeres | 2023-04-04 at 14:30:24 in Franczal |
| 4 | as230012 | 2023-04-06 | 2023-04-06 at 07:14:08 in Franczal | 2023-04-06 at 07:40:33 in Franczal |
| 5 | as230013 | 2023-04-14 | 2023-04-14 at 04:36:47 in Franczal | 2023-04-14 at 09:29:43 in Franczal |
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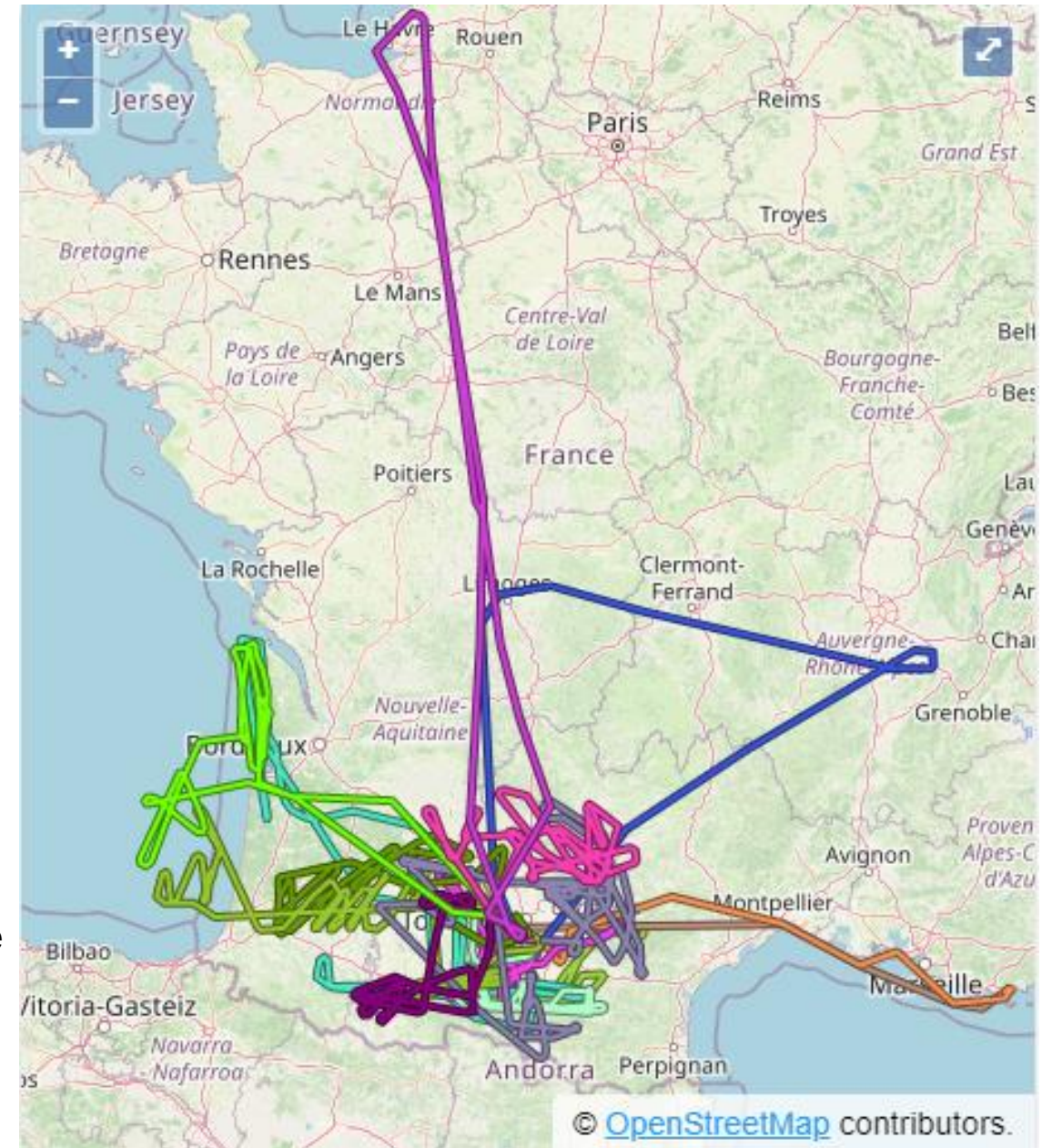
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SENS4ICE Flight Campaign Europe Ground Tracks

- 🔹 April 2023
- 🔹 French ATR 42 environmental research aircraft of Safire
- 🔹 **15 flights** with a total of **about 50 flight hours** successfully conducted targeting natural liquid water icing conditions and in particular SLD conditions
- 🔹 Source: <https://safireplus.aeris-data.fr/data-access>
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- 🔹 Map Data From OpenStreetMap
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SENS4ICE Flight Campaign Europe Icing Encounter Statistics

| Date | Flight ID | App. C duration [mm:ss] | App. O duration [mm:ss] |
|------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2023-04-03 | 1 | 90:13 | 01:26 |
| 2023-04-04 | 2 | 10:42 | 00:11 |
| 2023-04-04 | 3 | 12:14 | 01:39 |
| 2023-04-15 | 6 | 40:37 | 13:35 |
| 2023-04-18 | 7 | 72:01 | 00:00 |
| 2023-04-20 | 8 | 02:38 | 00:00 |
| 2023-04-22 | 9 | 34:07 | 00:00 |
| 2023-04-24 | 10 | 90:57 | 26:35 |
| 2023-04-25 | 11 | 90:14 | 19:31 |
| 2023-04-26 | 12 | 13:42 | 00:00 |
| 2023-04-26 | 13 | 52:20 | 04:53 |
| 2023-04-27 | 14 | 62:42 | 03:12 |
| 2023-04-27 | 15 | 42:09 | 07:31 |

Microphysics data analysis

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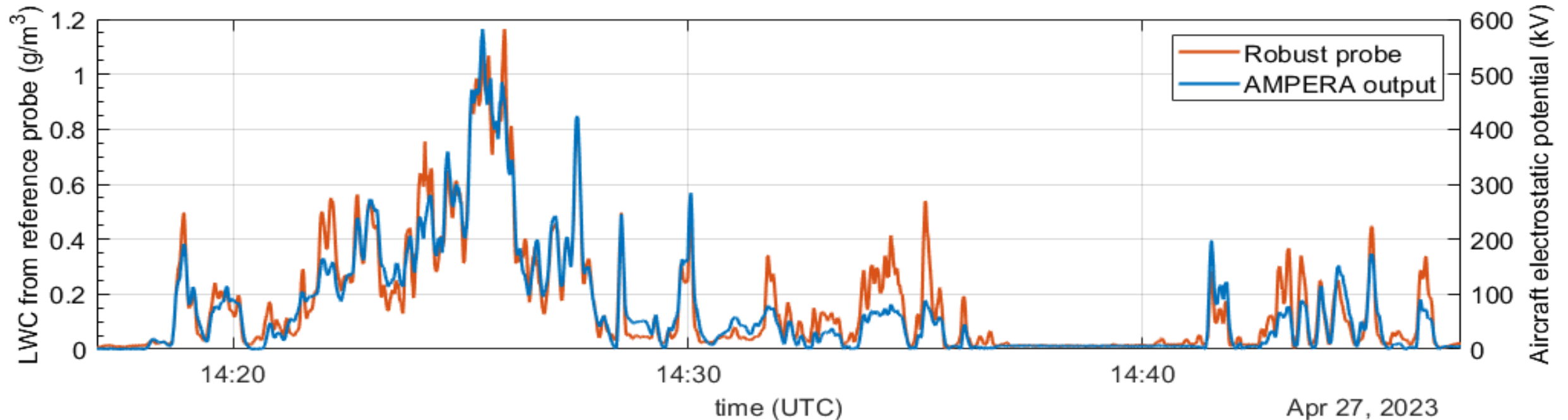
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💧 SAFIRE ATR 42 horizontal tail with ice accretion [image DLR with Safire permission]



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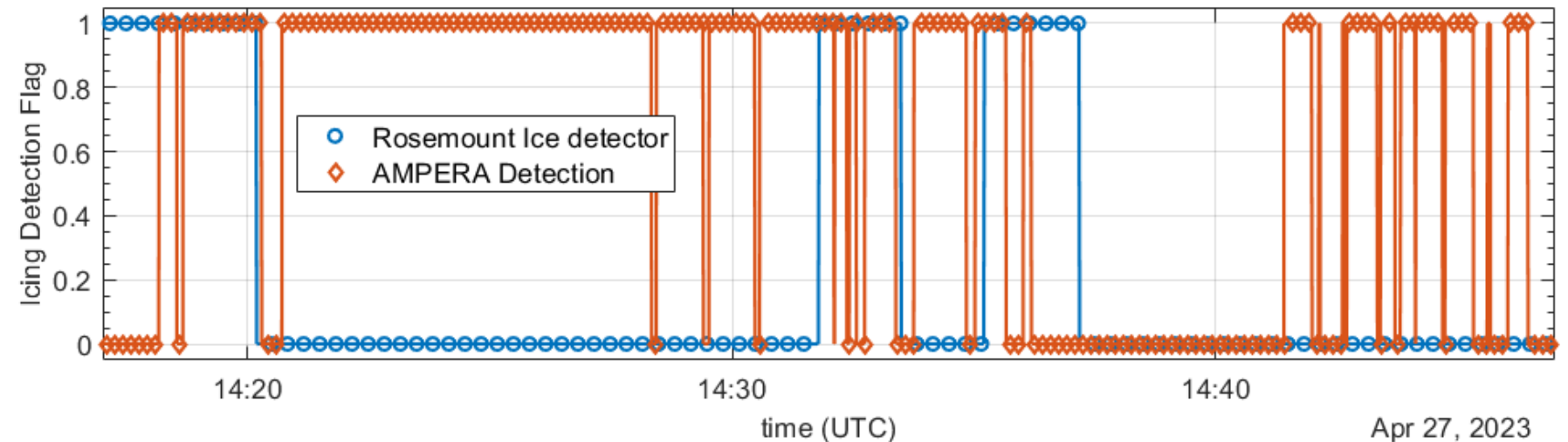
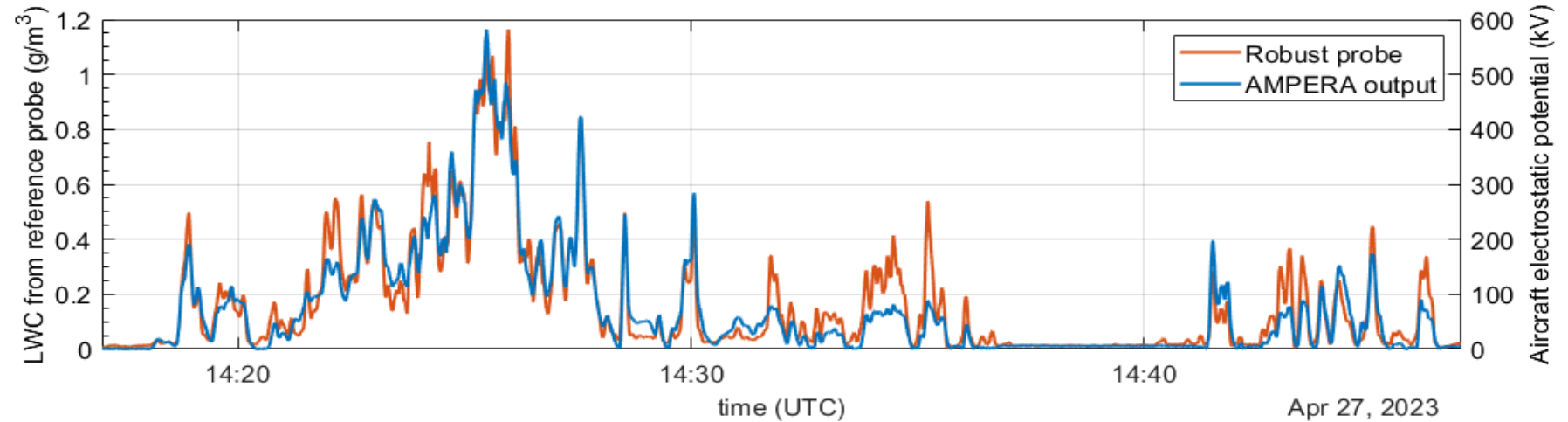
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- 💧 [SAE 2023 23ICE-0108 Martins et al.]



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- ◆ LWC and Aircraft electrostatic potential comparison – strong correlation (upper figure)
- ◆ AMPERA atmospheric icing flag and Rosemount Ice accretion flag – good agreement / higher sensitivity (lower figure)
- ◆ very robust measurement
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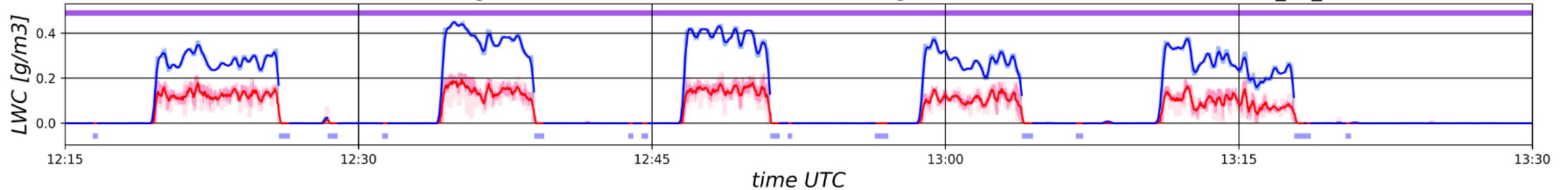
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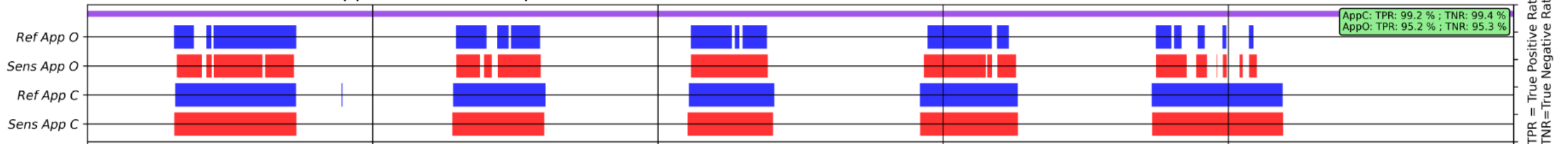
Flight 1476 [SAE 2023 23ICE-0105 Hamada] [Figure courtesy of Honeywell]

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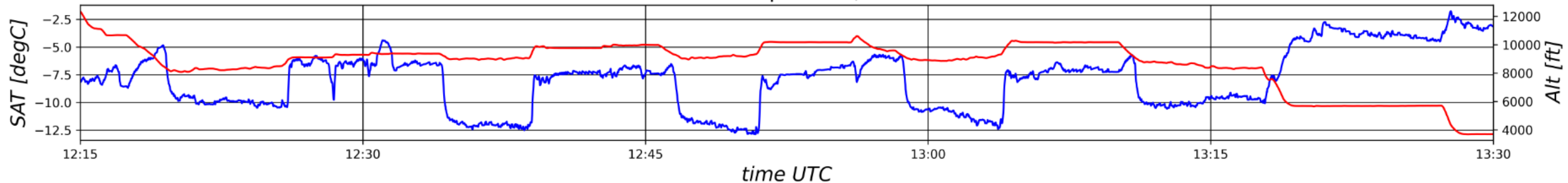
Red: SRP sensor data [g/m³]; Blue: Reference instrument data [g/m³]; Violet: Airborne data; movWin_15_sec



Sensor Appendix C, O, D/P plot; Red: SRP sensor data; Blue: Reference instrument data; Violet: Airborne data



Blue color: Static air temperature; Red color: Altitude



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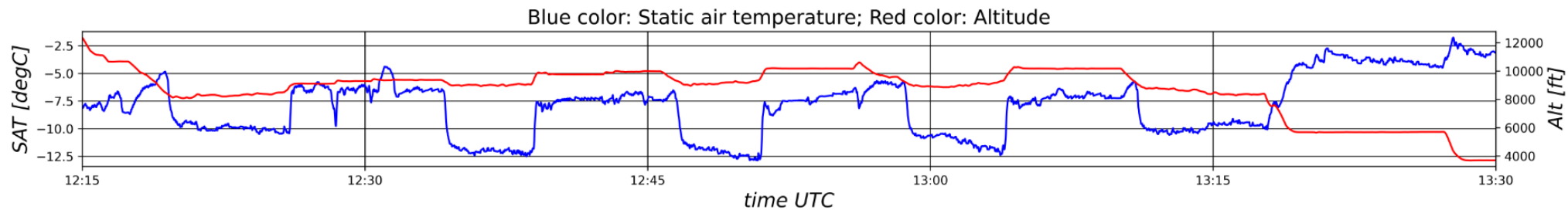
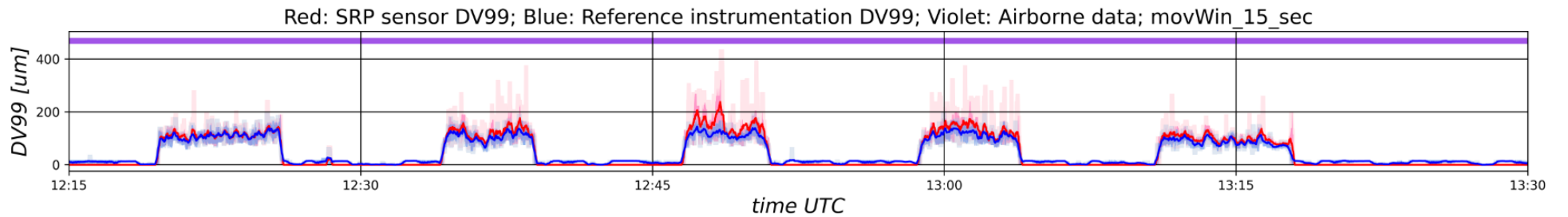
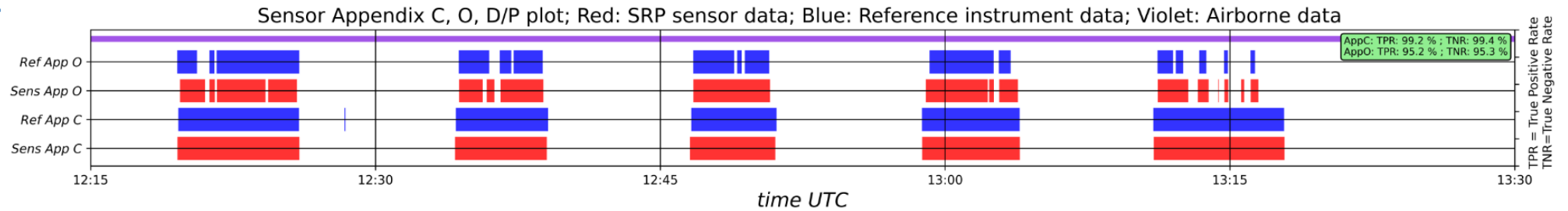
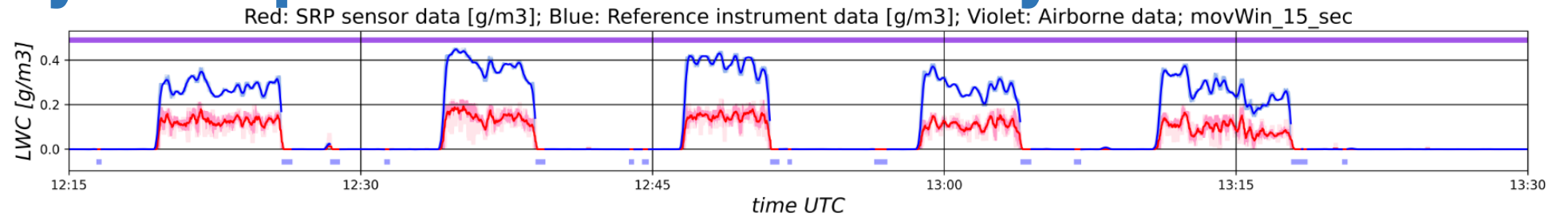
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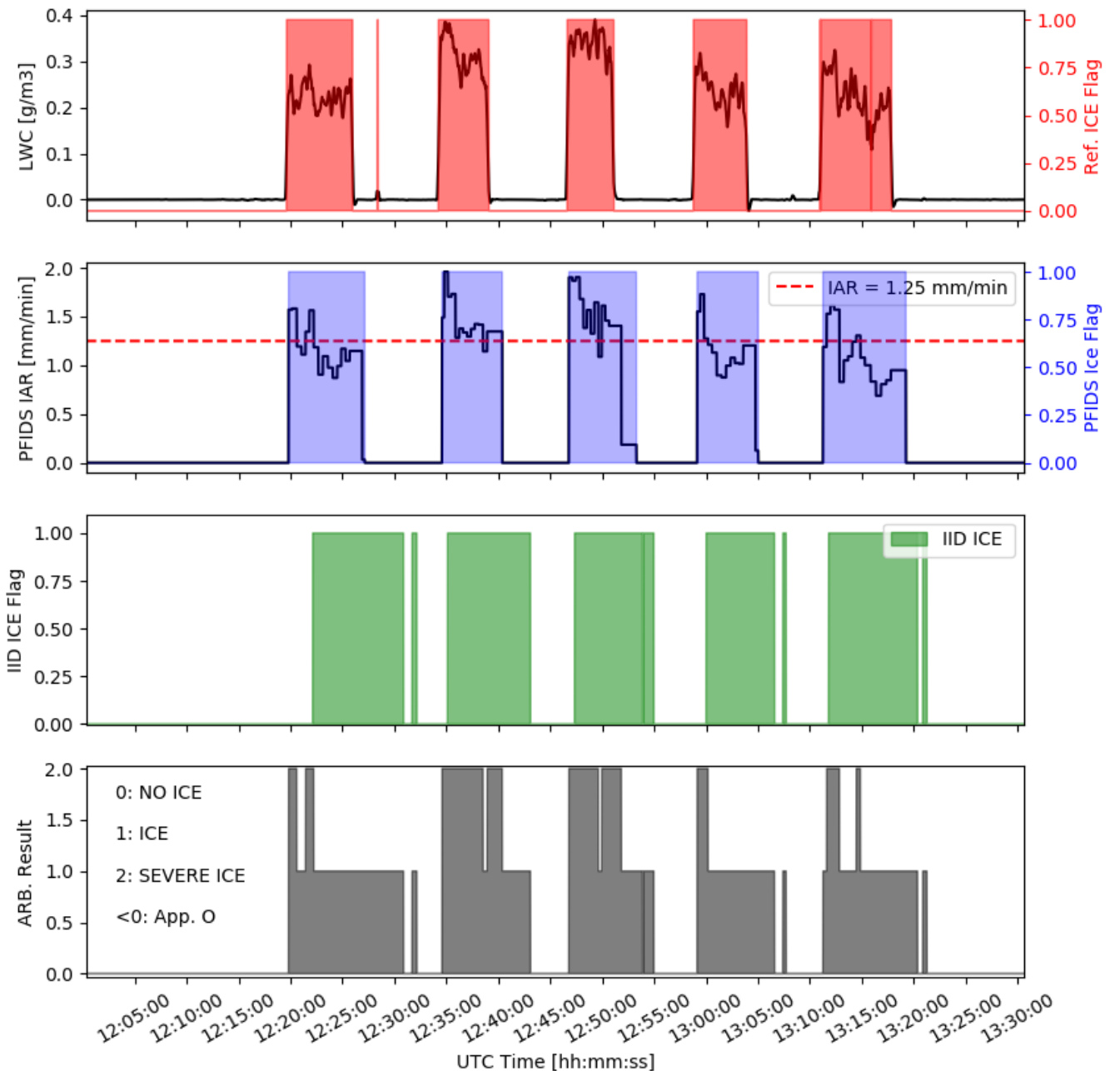
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[Figure courtesy of Honeywell]



SENS4ICE North America Flight Campaign HIDS with IID

- Flight 1476-1
- Figure 1: LWC (liquid water content) curve and microphysics reference ICE FLAG
- Figure 2: PFIDS (direct ice sensor) IAR (ice accretion rate) and ICE Flag
- Figure 3: IID (indirect ice detection) Validated ICE Flag (i.e. IID reliable and TAT < 5°C)
- Figure 4: HIDS PFIDS/ IID arbitration output [Courtesy of SAFRAN Aerosystems]



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Indirect Ice Detection Performance

- example 23 FEB 2023, 17:41:49 UTC - 17:55:29 UTC
- figure 1: altitude and indicated airspeed
- figure 2: nominal drag estimation and IIDS detection output
- figure 3: MVD and LWC of encountered icing conditions
- figure 4: static air temperature and average engine fan speed
- detection threshold at 10 % relative drag increase



[Deiler, C., "Testing of an Indirect Ice Detection Methodology in the Horizon 2020 Project SENS4ICE", Deutscher Luft- und Raumfahrtkongress (German Aerospace Conference) DLRK 2023, Stuttgart, Germany, 09/2023, paper no. 0048]



Summary

- 💧 EU project SENS4ICE: increase flight safety in icing / especially SLD conditions and enhance knowledge base for Appendix O conditions
- 💧 Icing detection technologies developed specifically aiming at Appendix O icing conditions
- 💧 Icing wind tunnels enhanced capabilities for representing Appendix O conditions
- 💧 Direct ice detection sensors tested successfully in icing wind tunnels under both Appendix O and Appendix C conditions
- 💧 Hybrid ice detection system under development, incorporating a performance-based indirect ice detection
- 💧 Two flight campaigns successfully conducted early 2023
 - 💧 test ice detection technologies under natural icing conditions
 - 💧 focus on Appendix O
 - 💧 promising initial results: encountered icing conditions, sensor detection behavior and hybrid ice detection system performance including indirect ice detection system



SENS4ICE Final Public Dissemination Event

📍 29th of November 2023

📍 Brussels, Belgium

📍 Further details see

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