

# Resolution Dependence of Southern Ocean Mixed-Phase Clouds in ICON

A satellite image of the Southern Ocean, showing a large, dark, swirling cloud system in the center, surrounded by lighter, more diffuse cloud patterns. The image is a composite of several smaller satellite images, creating a mosaic effect. The colors range from dark blue/black for the densest clouds to light blue/white for the less dense areas.

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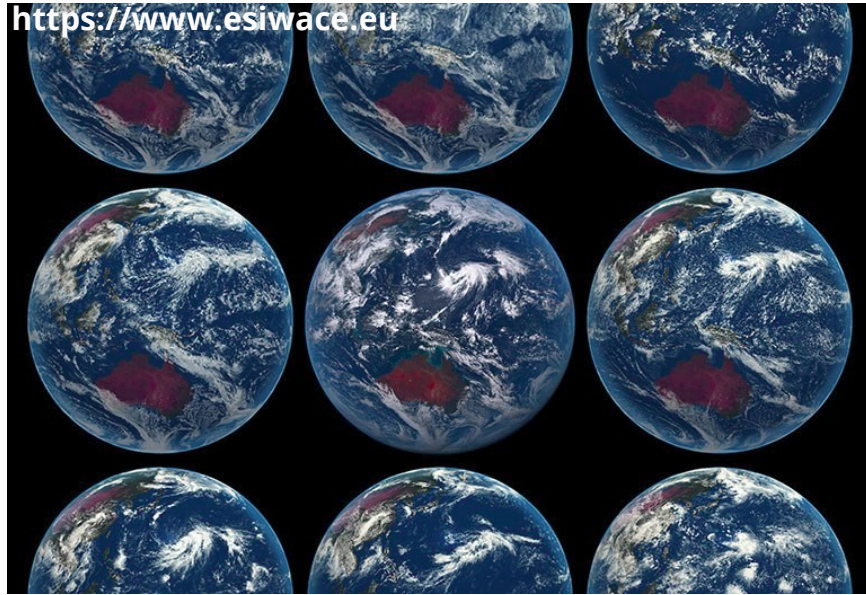
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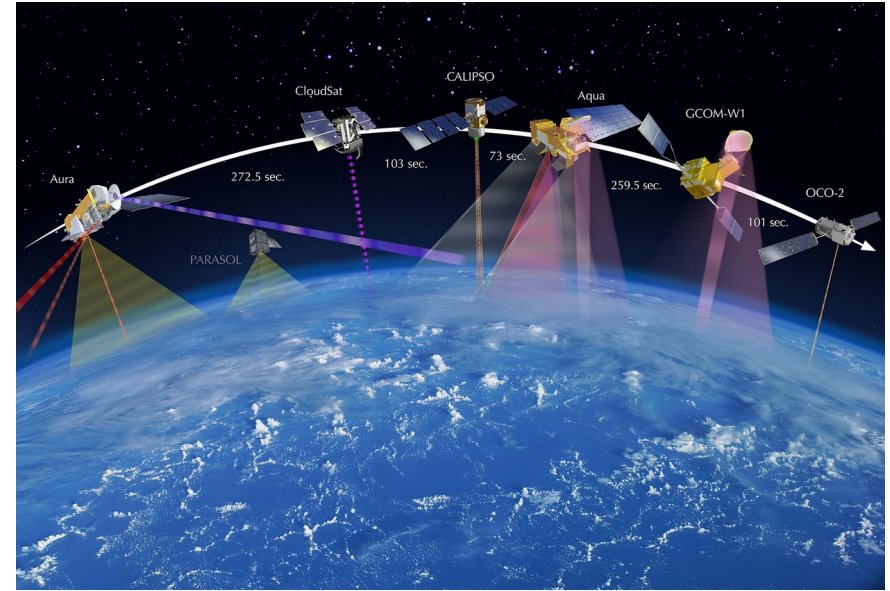
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DARDAR-v2 Cloud Phase

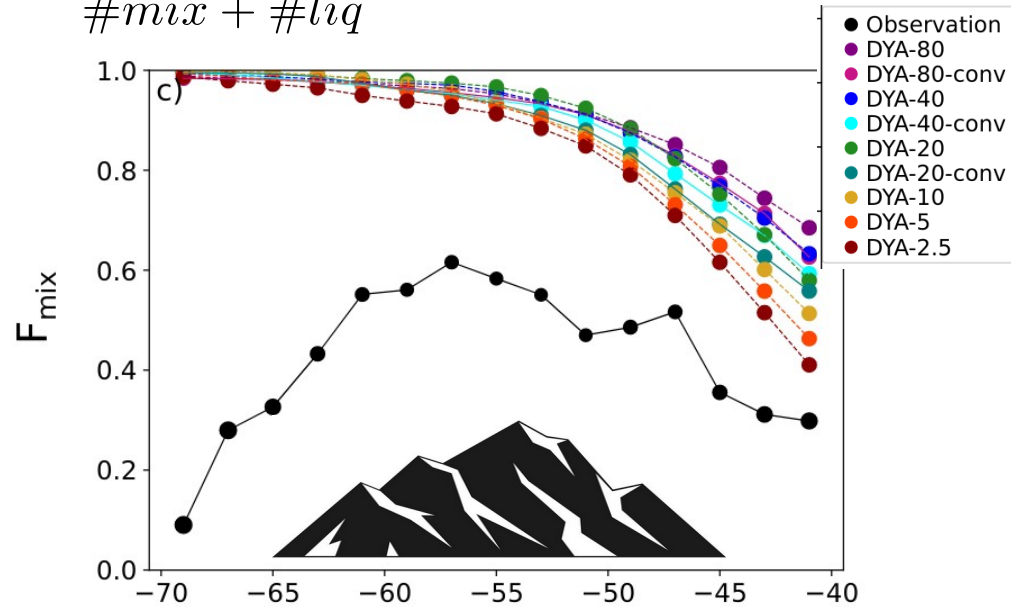


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-> formed vertically integrated classification of cloud phase **occurrence**

# ICON: Cloud Phase Statistics

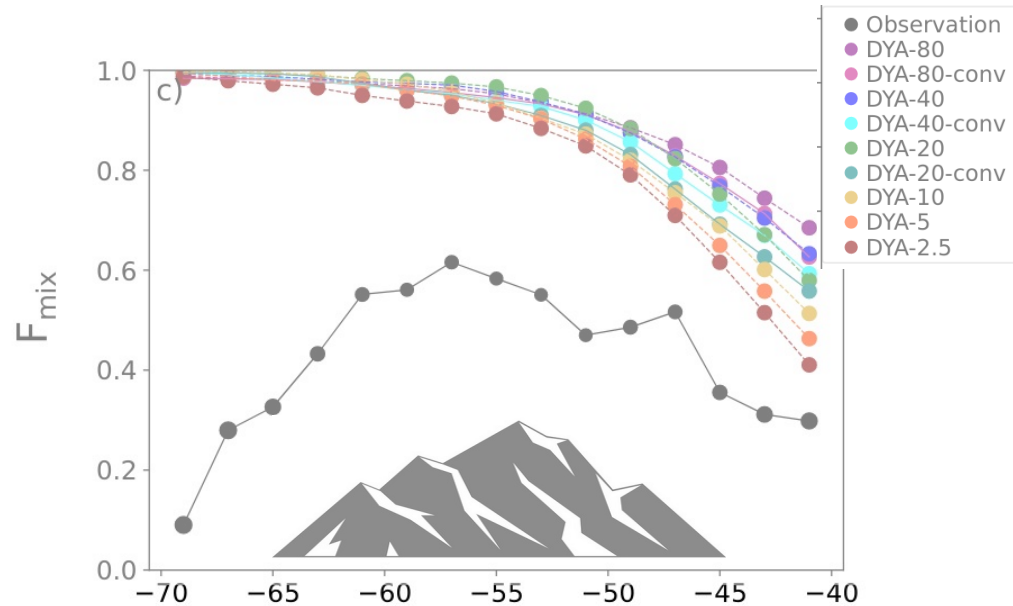
$$F_{mix} = \frac{\#mix}{\#mix + \#liq}$$



**Ice occurrence** in Southern Ocean supercooled boundary layer clouds is **overestimated**.

$F_{mix}$	
DARDAR-v2: <b>0.53</b>	ICON: <b>0.78 – 0.86</b>

# ICON: Radiative Bias



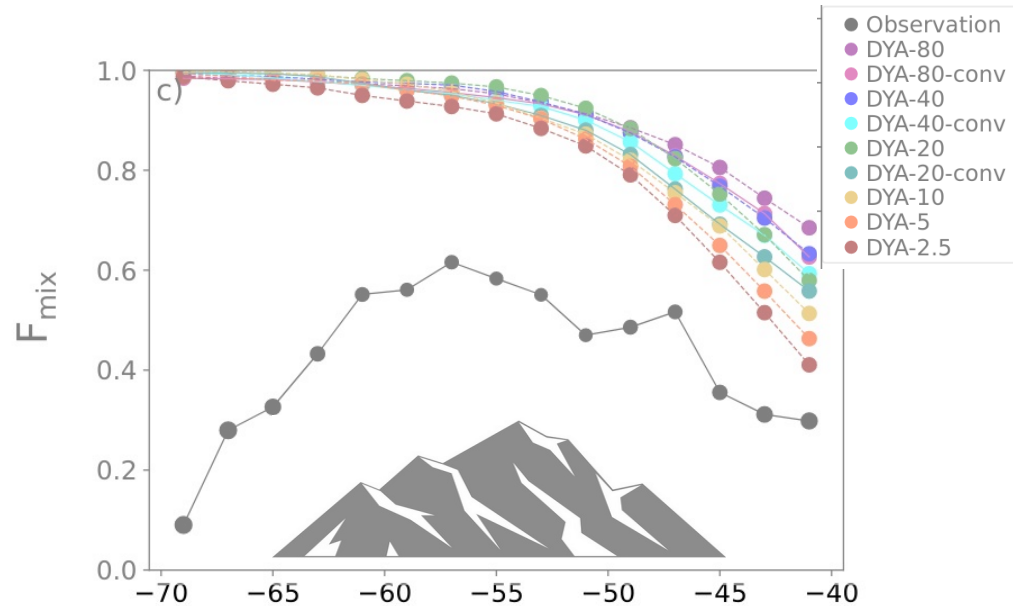
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$\Delta \text{SW}$

**SW** transmittance **overestimated** and radiation bias decreases with increasing resolution.

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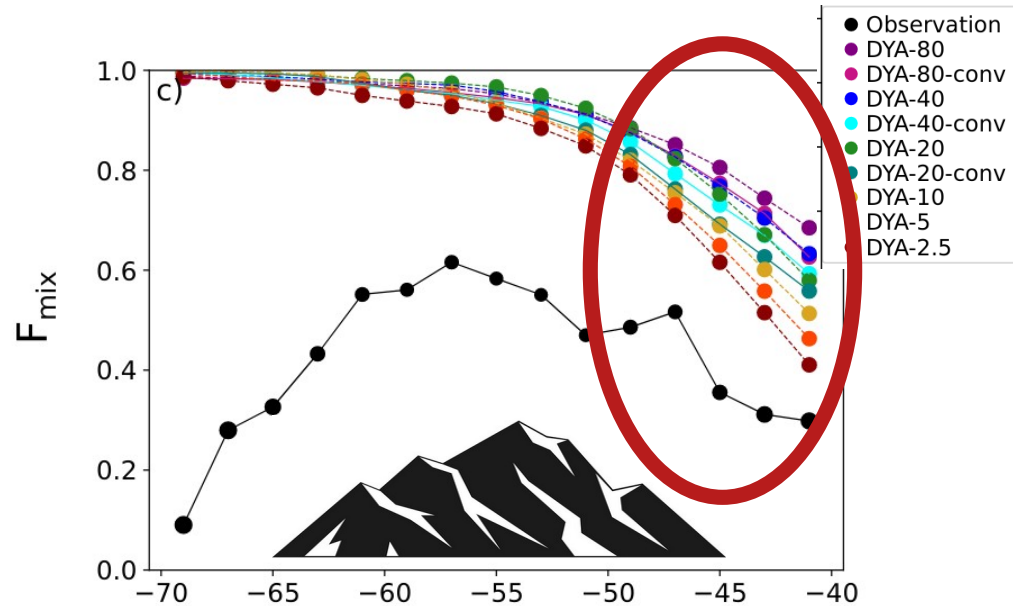
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*...but due to compensation of  $\pm 10 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$  biases...*

# ICON: Seeding Impact on $F_{\text{mix}}$



$\Delta x$

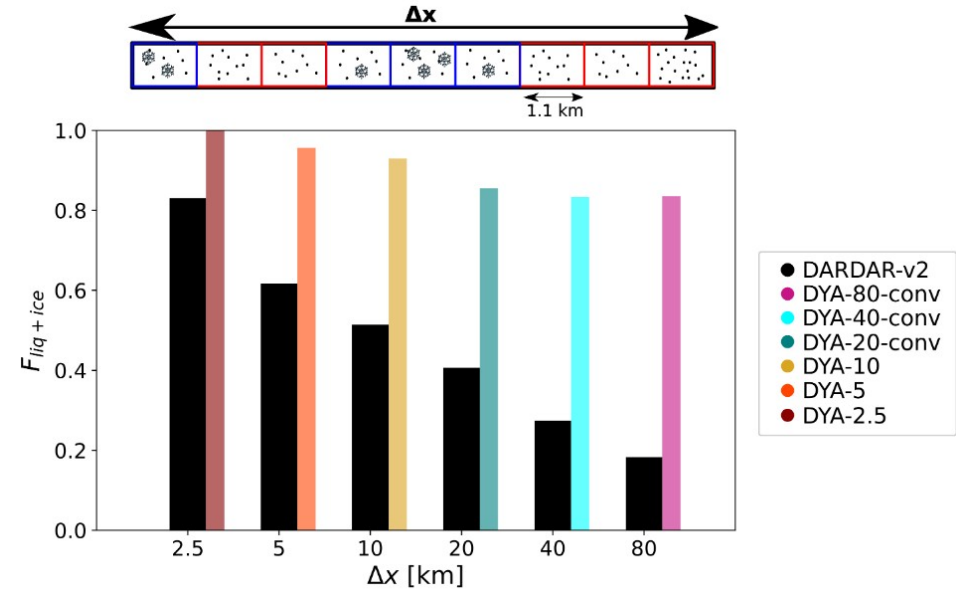
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$\Delta \text{SW}$

Around **20% of all clouds are seeded** from above and seeding frequency is resolution dependent.

# ICON: Growth Rates Resolution Dependent

	$\Delta t$	$\Delta x$	$\Delta t + \Delta x$
$\Delta \text{LWP}_{\text{low}}$ [%]	4.0	8.8	13.2
$\Delta \text{IWP}_{\text{low}}$ [%]	-13.4	12.3	-2.7



**WBF growth** is strongly **dependent on temporal resolution** and likely more so on horizontal resolution in models with correct cloud phase variability.

# Outlook

SW biases in ICON are likely due to cloud cover treatment -> avenue of further research

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