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## Dispersion spectra of 3DVar with different setups

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## 1. Experiment setup

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LAM Aladin ensemble coupled to AEARP is used to diagnose background error dispersion. Dispersion is measured by variance and stde of ensemble differences which should simulate background errors.

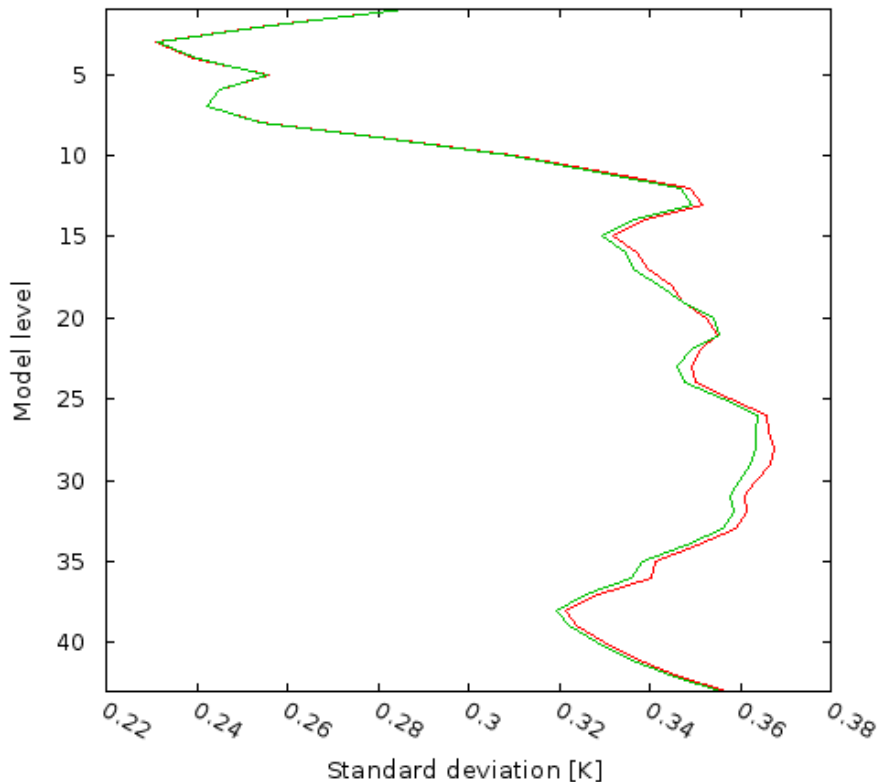
3DVar assimilation cycle with update every 6h is setup for all experiments. Incoming observations are perturbed. Perturbation are constructed as random draws from normal distribution with variance equal to assumed observation error variance.

- Aladin cycle 36t1ope, LACE domain, linear truncation E159x143,  $\Delta x \sim 9\text{km}$ , 43 vertical levels time step 360s, coupling interval 3h
- Experimental period 2.-28. 2. 2011, AEARP  $\Delta x \sim 50\text{km}$

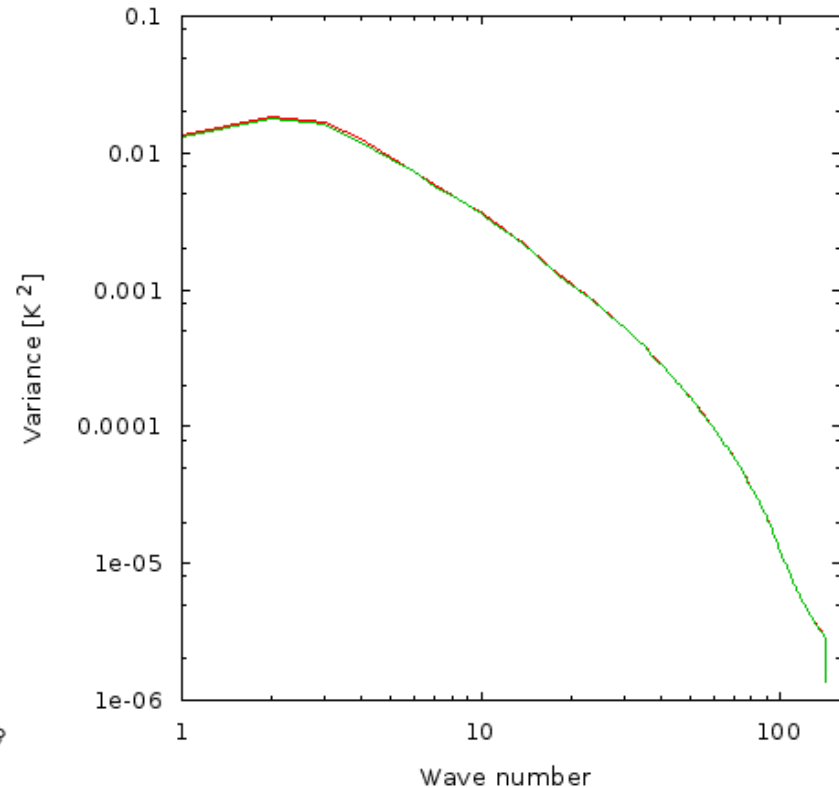
## 2. Dispersion response to different number of observations

### A) Single obs experiment, Red - guess aladin, green - 3dvar analysis

Vertical profile of standard deviation for t



Horizontal variance spectra of t at level 29



It seems that after minimization two members are closer to each other in stde profiles while their variance spectra seems really similar

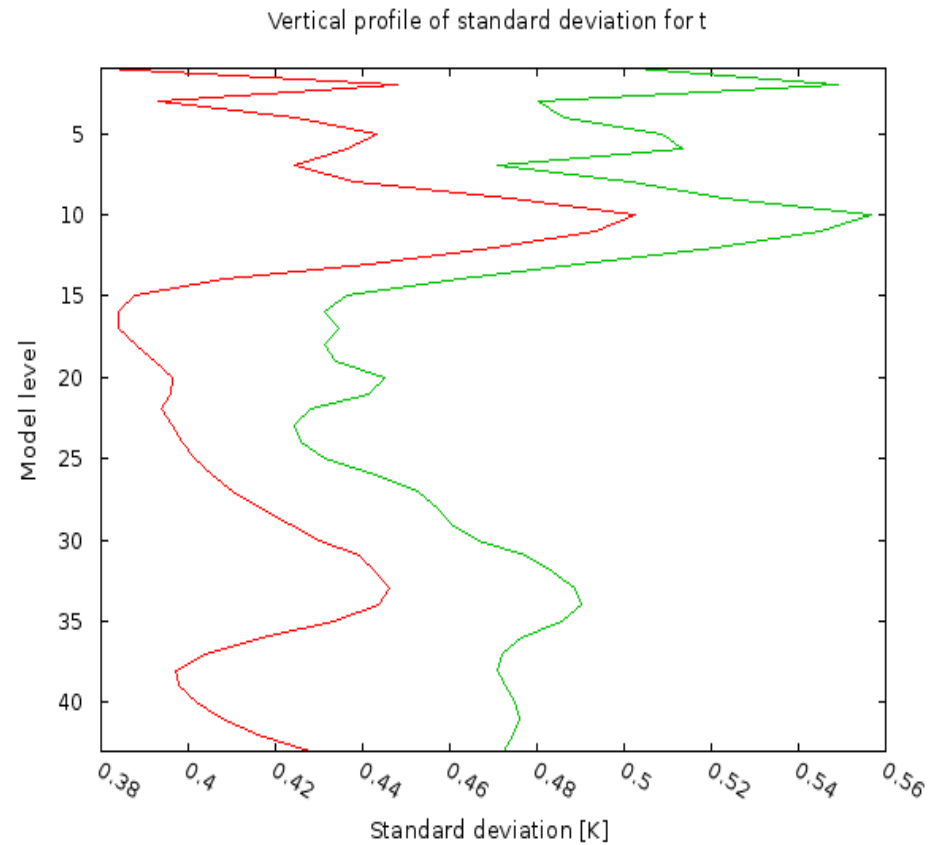
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### B) Only Synop, Temp observations

Increase of stde after analysis is the most pronounced in temperature as well as in humidity. Vorticity and divergence stde is allmost the same for analysis and guess but in variance spectra there is the increase.

Larger variace of analysis is located in long waves (up to wave number 11)

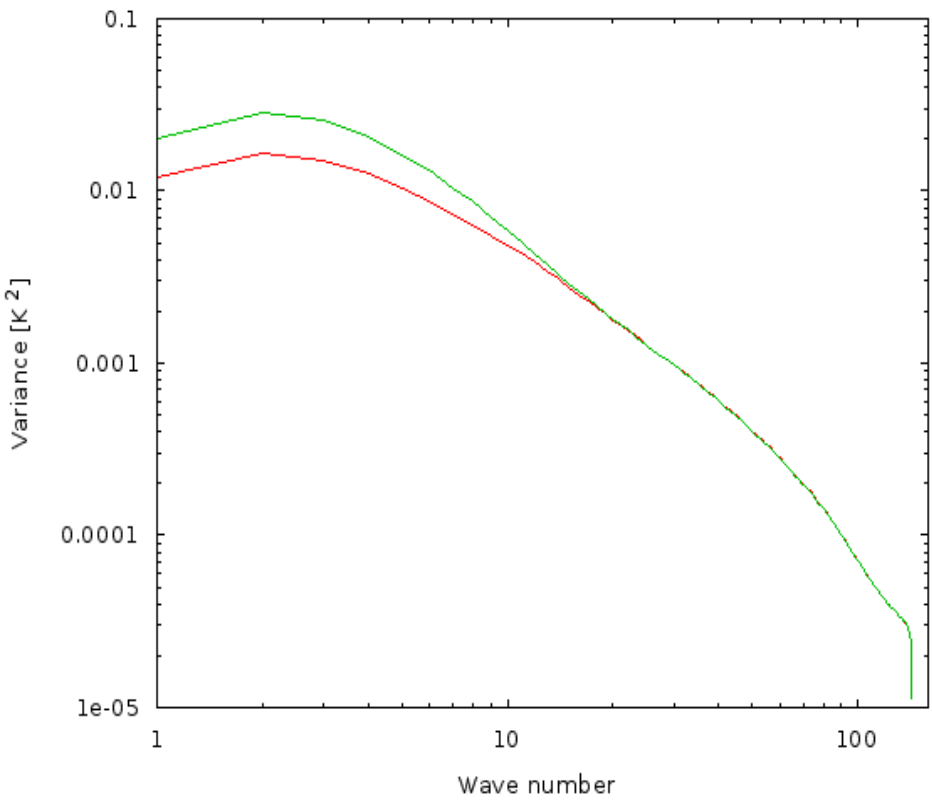
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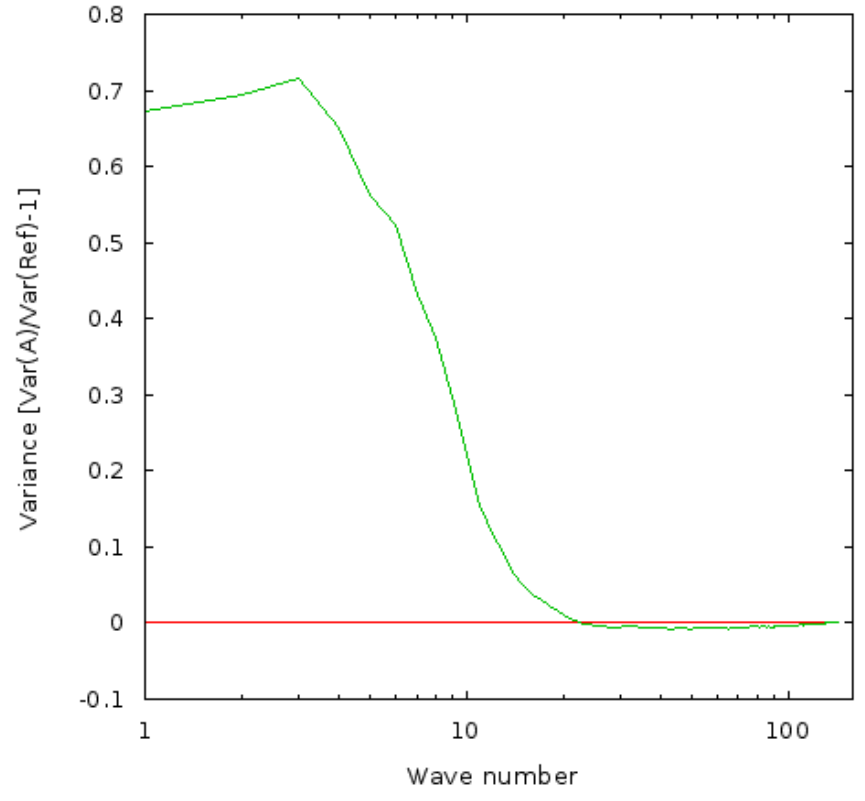
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Horizontal variance spectra of t at level 41



Relative horizontal variance spectra of t at level 41



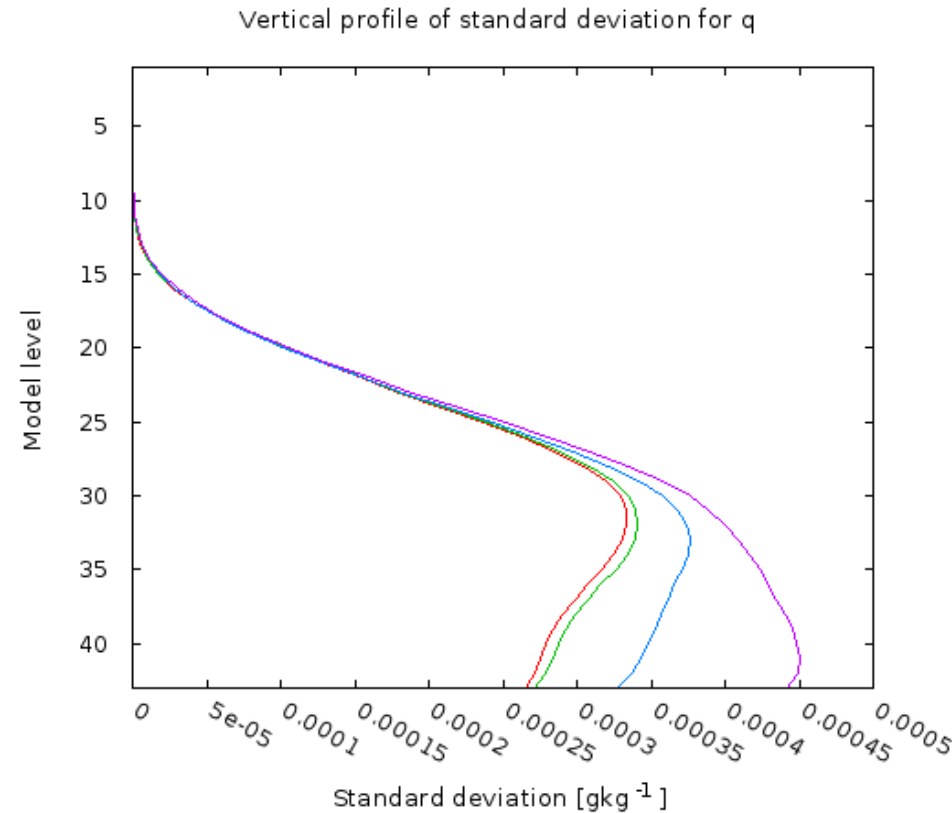
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Similar behavior as B). There is over all increase of variance and increase of variance in long waves is even more pronounced.

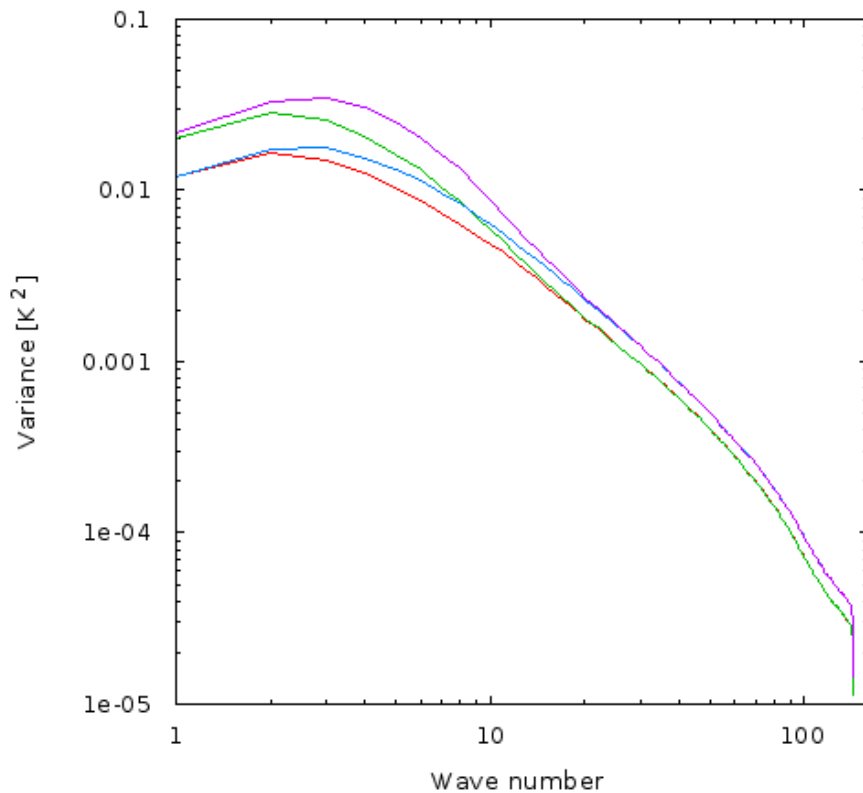
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purple – 3dvar analysis more obs



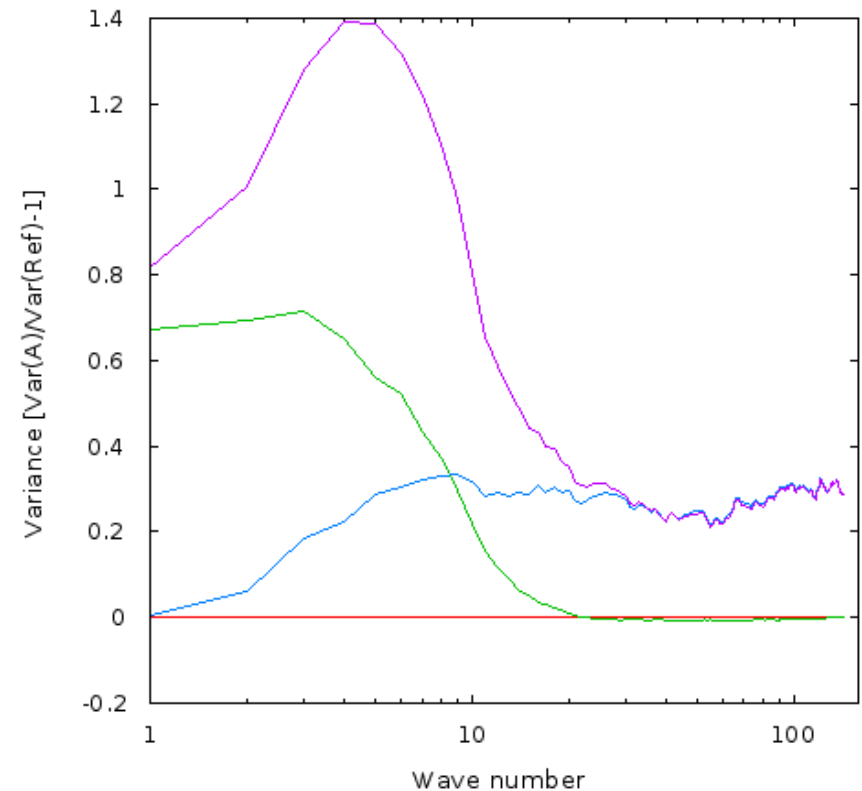
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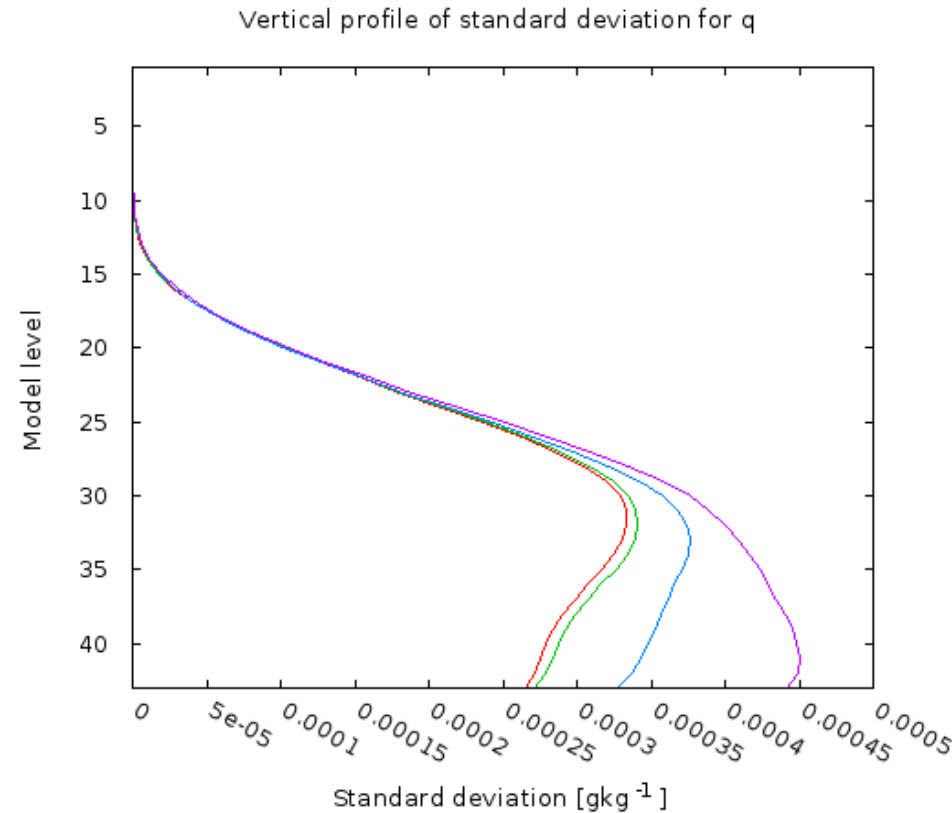


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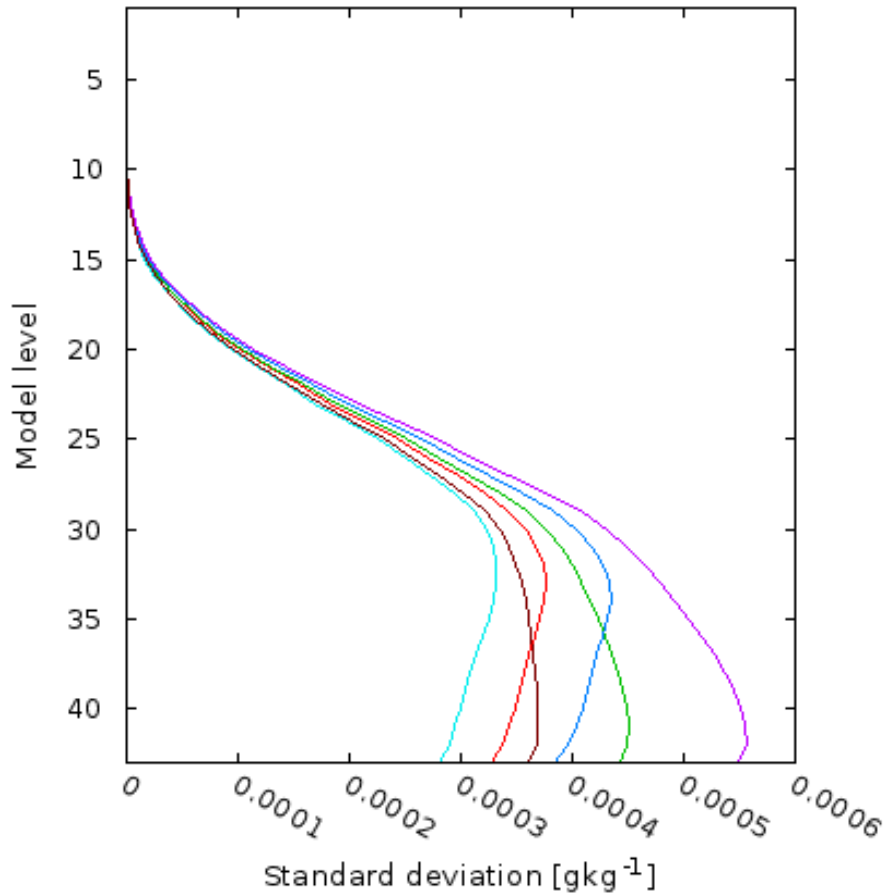
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- REDNMC = 0.7, 1, 1.5
- Guess gets less weight for larger REDNMC
- It doesn't make difference in general behavior of 3DVar
- Larger REDNMC implies larger values of variance and standard deviation

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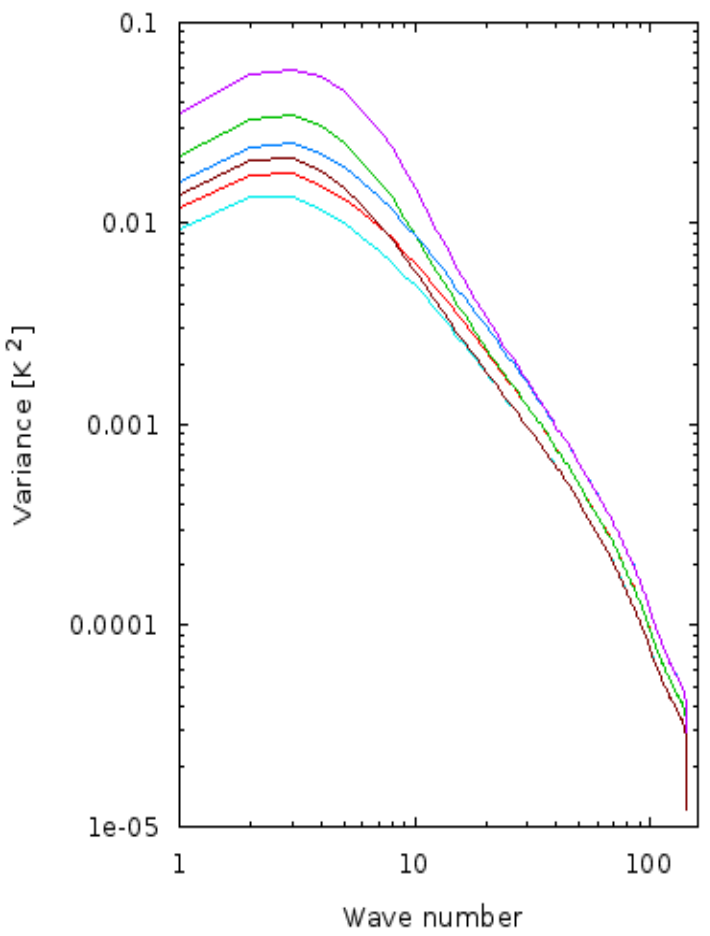
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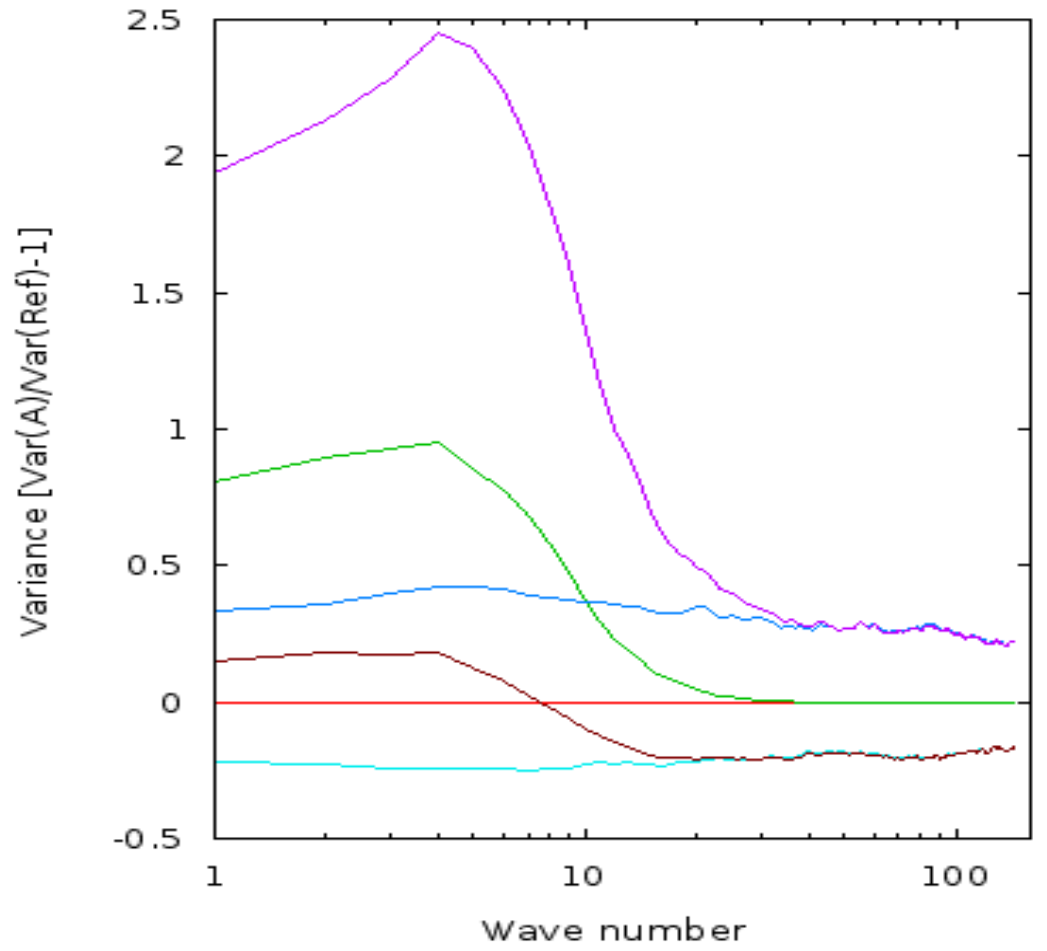
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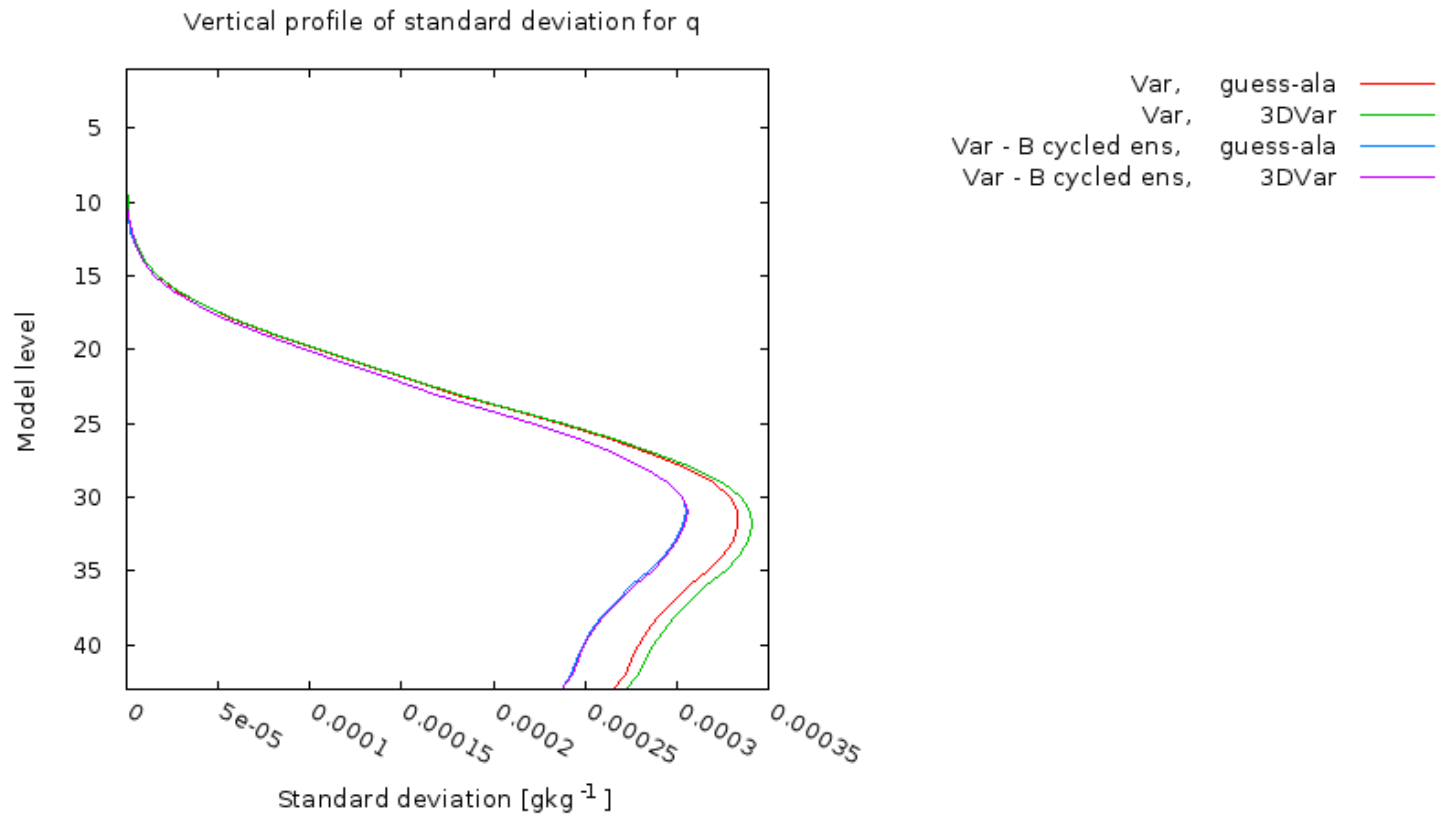


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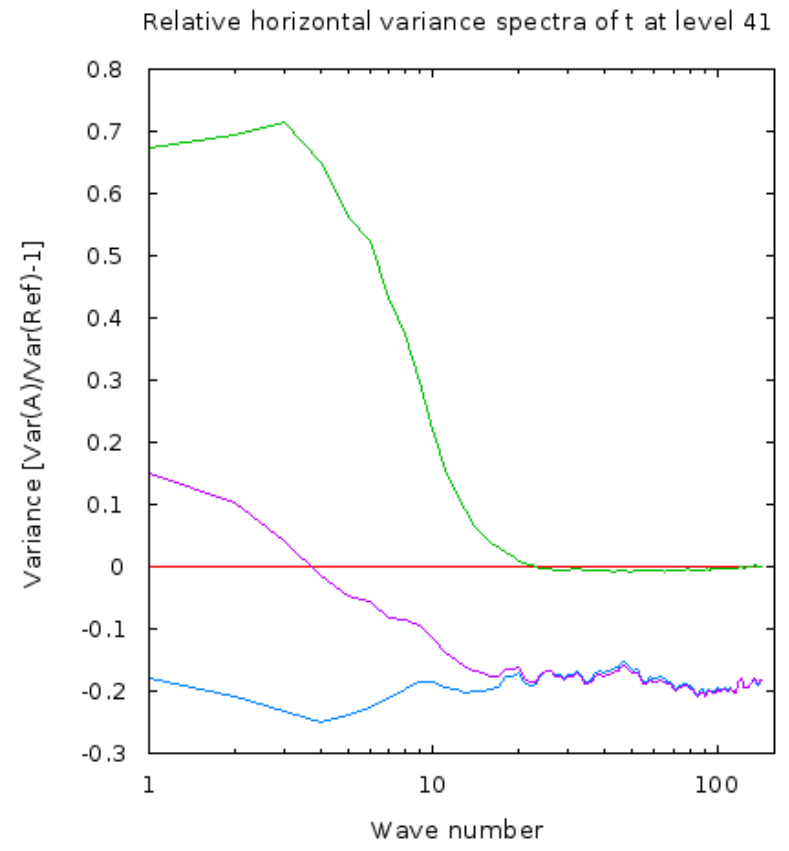
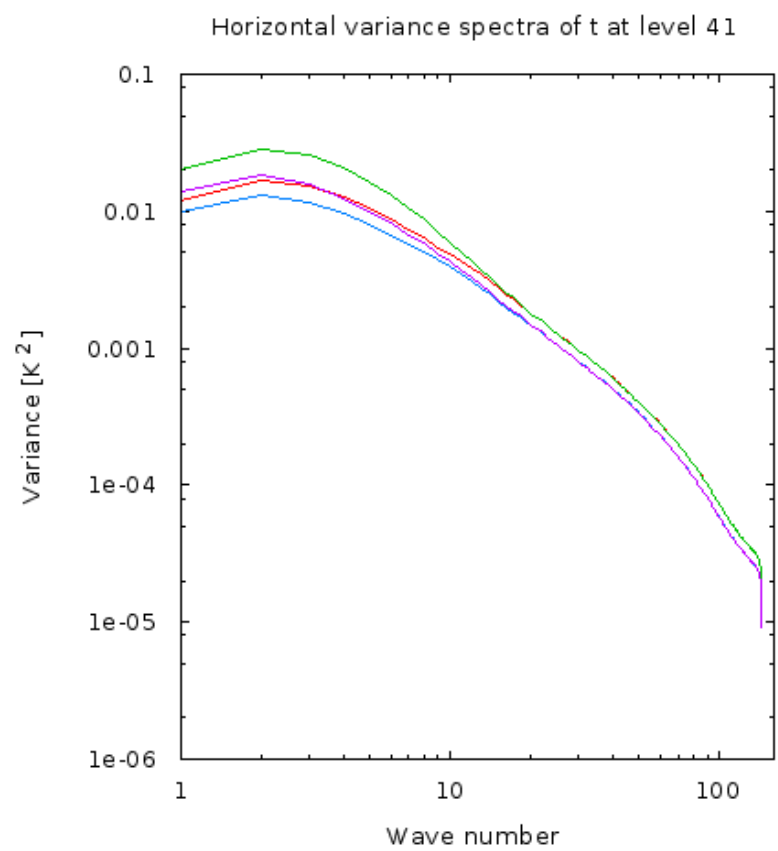
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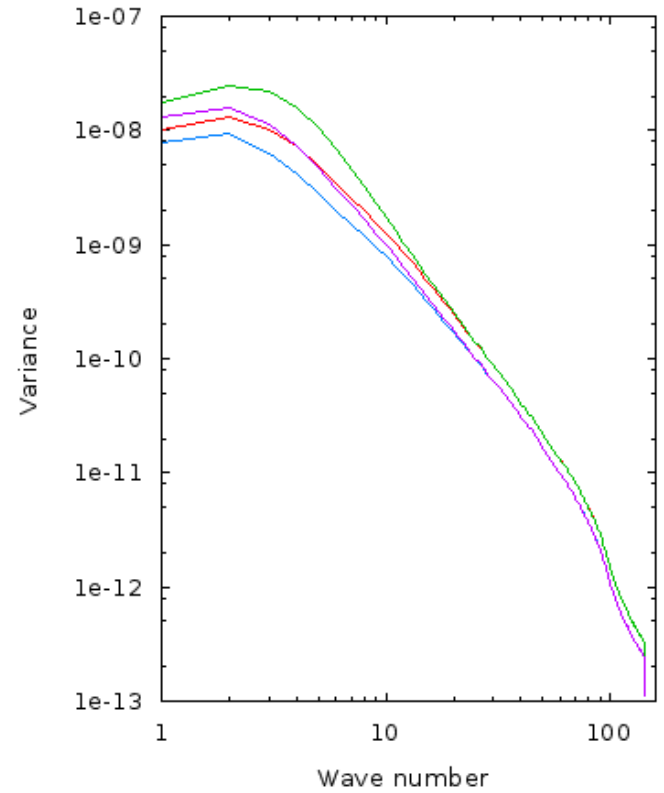
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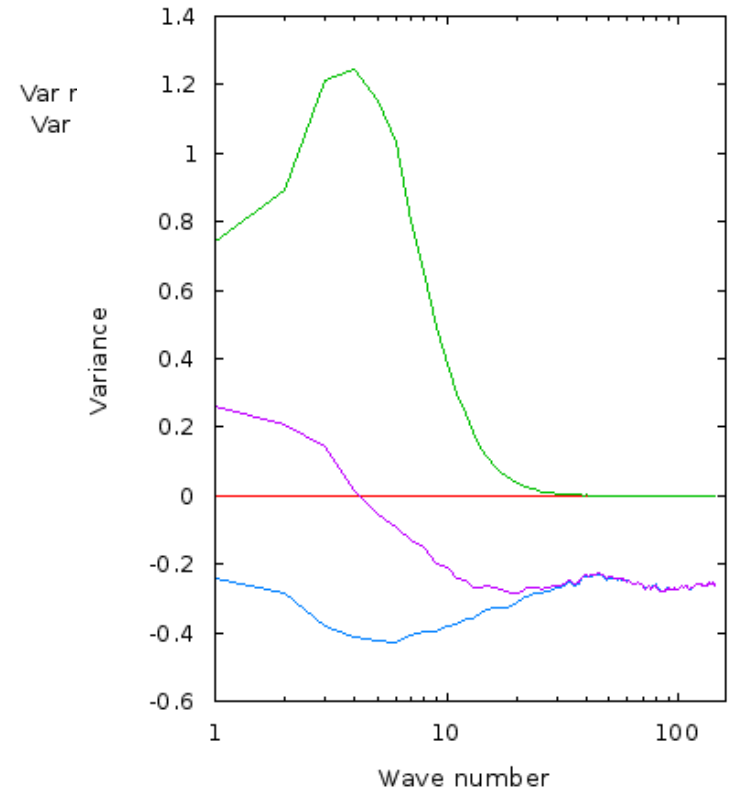
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### Ens B and Lagged B

Horizontal variance spectra of logarithm of surface pressure



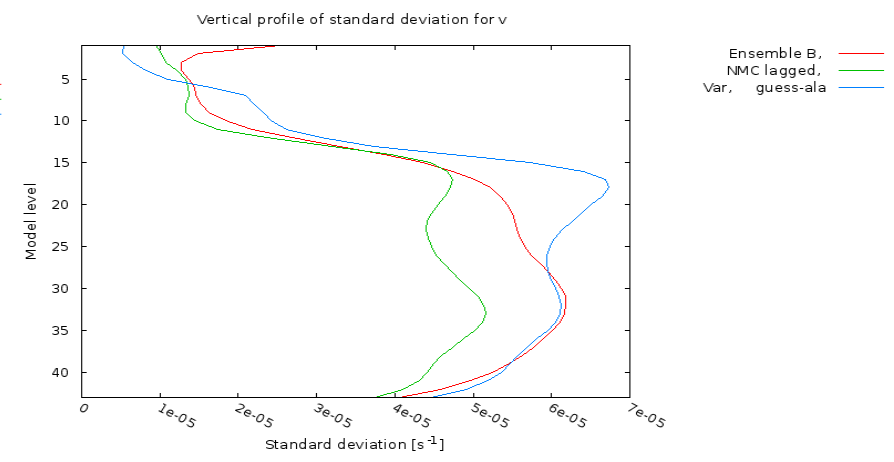
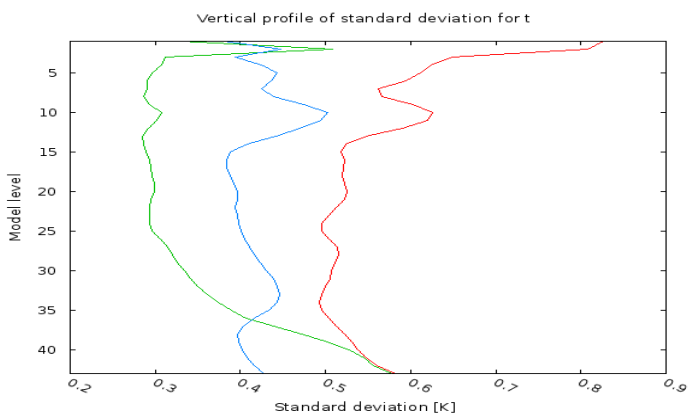
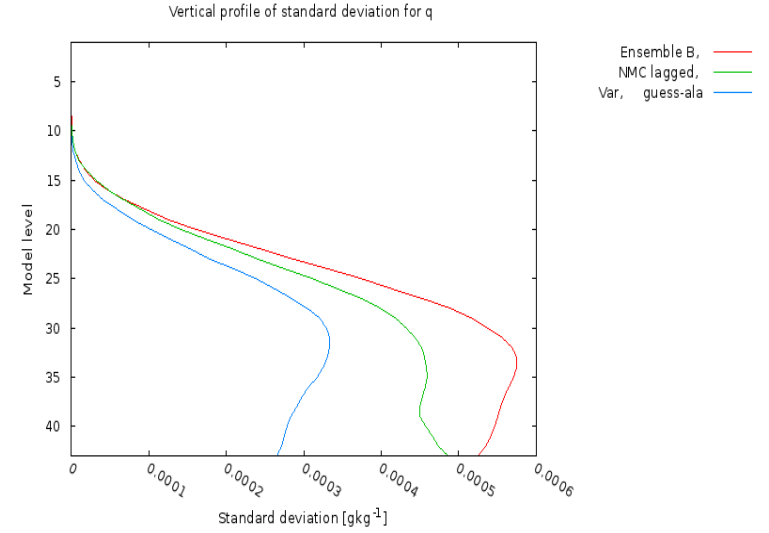
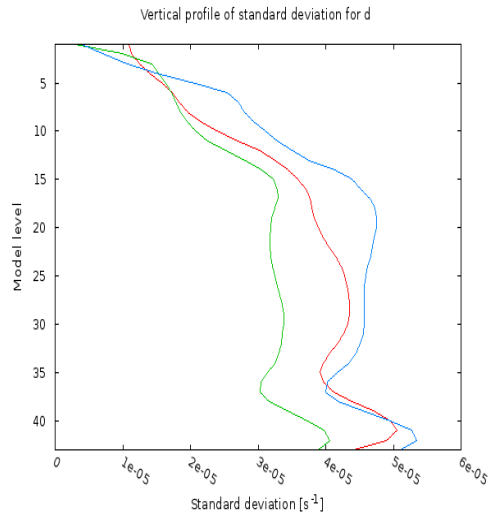
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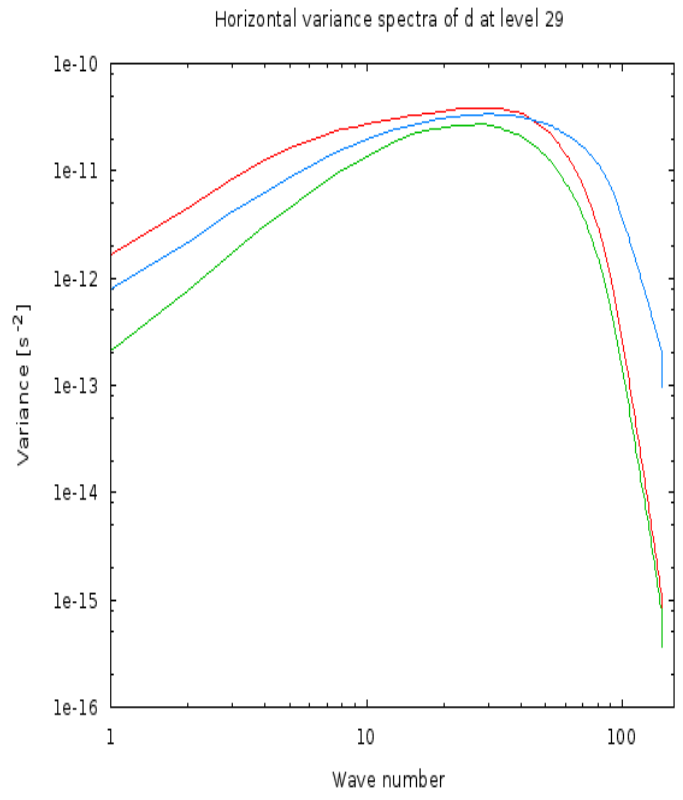
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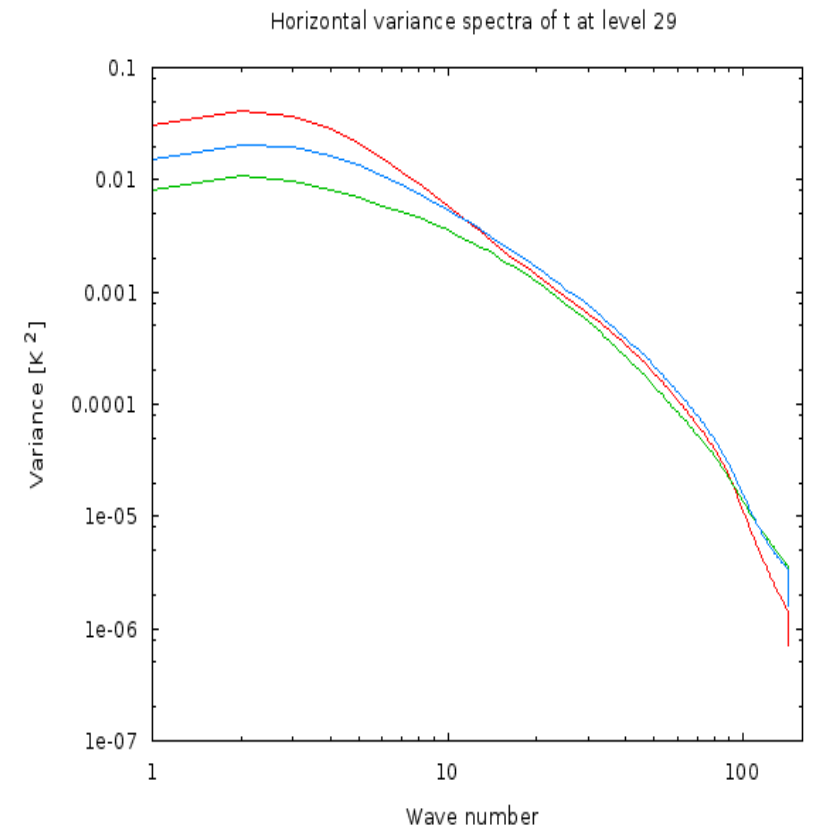


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Compare variance of Bs ( blue – ens consistent with exp, red- ens, green lagged)



Ensemble B, —  
 NMC lagged, —  
 Var, guess-ala —



## 6. Conclusion

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