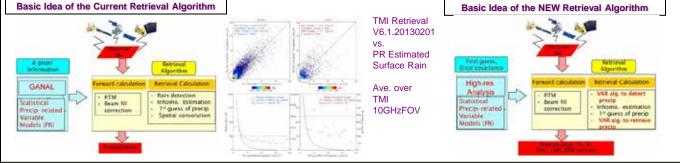
## Next Generation GSMaP MWI Precipitation retrieval algorithm

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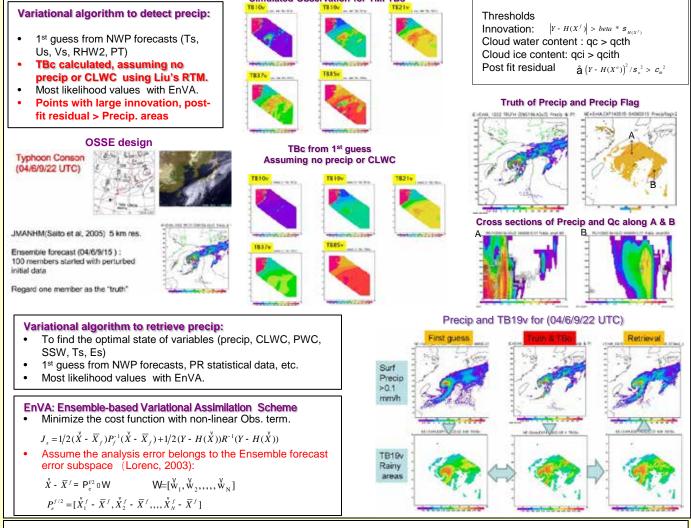
## 1. Introduction:

The current GSMaP Microwave Imager (MWI) precipitation retrieval algorithm degrades retrieval accuracy for weak precipitation areas where MWI TBs are sensitive to physical variables other than precipitation. In order to address this issue, we have been developing a new algorithm that retrieves the physical variables including precipitation from MWI TBs. The basic idea of this algorithm is to derive the statistically optimal values of the physical variables, based on Bayes' theorem (Elsaessar and Kummerow 2008, Boukabara et.al 2011).



## 2. Methodology:

We adopted an ensemble-based variational method (EnVA) for deriving the optimal values from MWI TBs that are non-linear functions of the physical variables. The retrieval algorithm consists of the precipitation detection part and the retrieval part for physical variables in precipitation areas.



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