Aspects of Resolution-Dependent Analysis: Vertical Mapping from Data Space

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- Topic: analysis of space-borne observations when the sensitivity (weighting) functions of sensors spread over deep layers, 5 km or more.
- Motivation interpret the recently reported systematic differences in carbon monoxide (CO) nadir products by reexamining the vertical mapping of CO from measured radiances.
- Three questions:
 - 1) Why retrieved CO profiles is extremely sensitive to background errors ?
 - 2) How the principle of the Resolution-Dependent Analysis, "Constrain only scales observed by instruments" is acknowledged by constituents retrievals ?
 - 3) What would be consequence for the chemical DA, in particular for observation-operator, when the scale-inconsistent mapping is performed for estimation of CO.







Multi-sensor CO retrievals in the troposphere: TIR (sm. prof.), NIR (columns), Limb (profiles)

- Carbon monoxide is a greenhouse gas with lifetime ~2 months, it is a good tracer to study chemistry, transport and emissions of pollution on the global and regional scales.
- Magnificent 7 (sensors) monitor CO distribution from the space:
- Nadir daytime and nighttime **TIR from AIRS**, **TES**, **MOPITT**, **IASI** –> smoothed CO profiles with AK;

Nadir daytime **NIR from SCIAMACHY**, **MOPITT** (mainly over the land) -> column-based data with AK.

Limb sensors, **MLS; ACE => CO profiles** in the UT+MA.

- Current goals: 1) Combine/unify nadir data; 2) Add vertical information from limb profiles (MLS) in the UT.
- Current related issues and needs for CDA: adequate Resolution Kernels and unbiased CO data.

For example, at polluted scenes with similar a priori, good SNR it is expected that Col-NIR > Col-TIR, but in reality....



Estimation of CO columns => multiple choice for the chemical DA

- Columns of TIR-CO exceed columns of NIR-CO (MOPITT-V3)~20-30%.
- TIR-CO (AIRS, IASI, TES, MOPITT) - similar patterns, but systematic differences misleading optimization of CO budget.
- Fortems-Chalney et al.: IASI-CO-based est-n of total Jul-Nov of 2008 CO emissions is ~790 Tg, while emissions based on the MOPITT-V3 ~560 Tg.
- Why V2V and D2D differences in CO products?
- Radiances; Jacobians; Priors; or Algorithm errors.



Deeter et al. 2009



Model and Data Spaces: Forward and Inverse Transforms, Jacobians and Kernels, Observables and Non-observables



Scale-dependent error analysis $\langle C_x^{-1} \rangle = \langle = C_x^{-1} + W^T C_v^{-1} W = \rangle \langle C_p^{-1} \rangle = C_p^{-1} + W^T C_v^{-1} W$



CO Kernels (A=KW) is part of the H-operator, H=AH_{int}: A=VK_{λ}V^T vs A=C_xW^T(HC_xH^T+C_y)⁻¹W



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Evaluating MOPITT-V3 CO in the retrieval space: 20-30% positive bias below 500 mb





Emmons et al. 2009

 $X_{d \rightarrow MV3} = (I-A)X_b + A(HX_d),$

MOPITT-V3 CO biases are initiated by algorithmic errors, the "near-surface" kernels erroneously take the largest amount of information from measured radiances.

Summary: MOPITT V3 vs V4



Analysis CO with tuning of observation errors, verification with INTEX-B flight data (2006)





Measurements from G. Sachse (DC-8) and T. Campos (C-130)
Error bars are 10th -90th per-tile of median CO across different flights

Assimilating MOPITT-V4 columns with quality controls employing kernels: June 2009

- MOZART-4 CTM, Emmons et al. (2009), NOAA/GFS forecast.
- Simple QC: Pixels with dominant near-surface element in the kernel vectors are rejected.
- Analysis of columns is an intermediate step to demonstrate that the resolution dependent mapping without correcting PBL-layers (where MOPITT is blind) provide adequate results.
- After 15 days, QC scheme is turned off, and "bad" data spread out in the SH-PBL => attention to the quality of data in the SH high latitudes.
- In the tropics and in the NH, decrease of mid-trop. CO is consistent quantitatively with TES-CO retrievals.





Ozone Jacobians and Kernels



Concluding remarks

- Resolution kernels highlight observable and "data-null" scales (layers), they are key part of H-operator for DA of retrieved species.
- Images of kernels distinguish Resolution-Dependent analysis from scale-inconsistent algorithms. Properties of kernels can flag biases and perform data quality control.
- Main aspect of Resolution-Dependent Analysis:

Constrain observable scales (variables), preventing explicit spread of information to non-observable scales (layers).

Errors are scale-dependent, partial columns or layer averaged data cannot reduce grid-wise variance, but can reduce errors of corresponding model variables observable by sensors.

Outcome of RDA in general:

a) scale-dependent treatment of errors prevents smearing of non-observable forecast scales;

b) optimal vertical mapping and observation operators that adequately reflect physics of observations.













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