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Processes affecting tropospheric chemistry



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Observing air pollutants from space

Major impact of air pollution on public health and ecosystems



Mortality associated to Ambient Air Pollution in 2010 Lelieveld et al., 2015

- Better knowledge of atmospheric chemistry and its environmental impacts
 - → Only satellites can observe pollutants at the regional and global scales
- How to observe air pollutants <u>near the surface</u> from space ?
- How to improve chemistry-transport models using satellite observations ?

Ozone Pollution

Severe impact on public health and ecosystems

Irritation of respiratory system

Limitation of photosynthesis



Necrosis on leaves



Remote sensing of the atmospheric composition

PASSIVE spectrally-resolved measurements



Inversion method

Minimization of the following function:



Inversion method

$$\chi^{2} = \|F(\hat{x}) - y\|_{\varepsilon} + \|\hat{x} - x_{a}\|_{R}$$

 \rightarrow Retrieved O₃ profile: $\hat{x} = A(x - x_a) + Err$



- $AVK \rightarrow$ Averaging Kernels allow the evaluation of the sensitivity of the retrieved profile with respect to the real profile

Hmax

- Degree of freedom (DOF) DOF = Trace(AVK)

 \rightarrow Number of independent points on the vertical (sensitivity to O₃)

- Maximum sensitivity height (Hmax) : Altitude of the maximum AVK value (i.e. the maximum sensitivity)

Ozone remote sensing from space



Nadir atmospheric spectrum at the UV/Visible

Spectra from GOME satellite radiometer:

1) Directly pointing the sun (Sun irradiance -> once a day)

2) Backscattered light from Earth (Earth radiance → every pixel) reflectance

The ratio is



Units

TOMS: Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometer

1978 – Based on the UV backscattered radiations

Ozone total column







GOME: Global Ozone Monitoring Experiment

Ozone tropospheric column



Satellite remote sensing of Ozone



Earth thermal infrared spectrum measured by IASI



Which information from the infrared spectrum?



IMG: Interferometric Monitor for Greenhouse gases

- Japanese mission ADEOS
- Launch in August 1996
- Michelson Interferometer
 - Spectral range 740-3030 cm⁻¹
 - Spectral Resolution 0.1 cm⁻¹
 - Spatial Resolution 3 pixels of 8km*8km







TES/Aura: Tropospheric Emission Spectrometer

Spectral Resolution at Nadir : 0.1 cm⁻¹ But no across-track scanning



TES Level3 Image: Ozone, May 2008, Trop Col Density (DU) Min Value = 6.5 DU, Max Value = 63.5 DU



MetOp satellites New performances to observe ozone pollution

- In orbit since 2006 aboard MetOp-A and expected for at least 15 years with MetOp-B and MetOp-C
- Global coverage twice daily (morning ~ 9:30 LT, evening ~ 21:30 LT)



IASI (IR)



- Spatial resolution : 25 km (at nadir)
- Across track swath : ~ 2000 km
- Spectral resolution : 0.5 cm⁻¹

GOME-2 (UV-Vis)



- Spatial resolution : 40 x 80 km²
- Across track swath : ~ 1920 km
- Spectral resolution : ~ 0.24 nm

And after 2020, A New Generation of satellites : EPS-SG with IASI-NG and UVNS

Sensitivity of IASI retrievals of ozone



Validation against ozonesondes:

Mid-latitudes bias : < 2.5%

Precision : ~15%

First observations of an ozone pollution event from space



Monthly evolution of lower tropospheric ozone at East Asia – year 2008



Dufour et al. 2015

Monthly evoluation for selected regions



Role of stratosphere-troposphere exchanges



Multispectral synergism for retrieving Ozone



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Multispectral approach IASI+GOME2

New approach of joint inversion of IR and UV co-localized spectra



Multi-spectral fit



Ozone spectroscopy coherence between UV and IR?



Similar results with UV cross sections -5% or HITRAN2010

Validation of IASI+GOME2 at the Global scale

IASI+GOME2 vs O3 sondes from 44 stations in 2009 and 2010



 \rightarrow Weak mean bias \rightarrow Good correlation \rightarrow Good variability

Sensitivity of the multispectral O3 retrieval: AVK



Sensitivity of the multispectral O₃ retrieval: Degrees of freedom in the Lowermost Troposphere (up to 3 km asl)



0.25 DOFs over land 0.15 DOFs over ocean

<0.10 DOFs

0.35 DOFs over land 0.25 DOFs over ocean DOF_{IASI} + 40% Sensitivity of the multispectral O₃ retrieval: Height of maximum sensitivity in the Lowermost Troposphere (up to 3 km asl)



4.3 km agl over ocean

3.7 km agl

 $H_{IASI} - 800 m$

A moderate O₃ pollution episode over Europe: 18 to 21 August 2009

20 August 2009 at 10 am : O₃ Surface – 6 km

CHIMERE outputs



Western O₃ plumes → up to the lower free troposphere

Eastern O_3 plumes \rightarrow below 3 km (LMT) CHIMERE Switching off O₃ precursor emissions since 01/08/2009



→ Almost all O3 plumes were photo-chemically produced with emissions from Europe Satellite observations of the O₃ pollution event : IASI+GOME2 vs. sing-band approaches

19 August 2009



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20 August 2009



CHIMERE*avk LMT

IASI+GOME2 LMT(<3km)

19 August 2009



CHIMERE raw 3 – 6 km asl

CHIMERE raw LMT

IASI+GOME2 vs. CHIMERE : LMT and above





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19 August 2009

IASI+GOME2 vs. MODELS at the LMT (<3 km):

O₃ LMT

(DU)

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19 August 2009

IASI+GOME2



IASI+GOME2 vs. MODELS at the LMT (<3 km):

19 August 2009



Assimilation of IASI+GOME2 LT observations into CHIMERE+EnK:

19 August 2009



CHIMERE analysis*AVK



CHIMERE (analysis – forecast) at 10h00 am







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Assimilation of IASI+GOME2 into CHIMERE:

19 August 2009

IASI+GOME-2



Comparison of IASI+GOME2 vs in situ measurements at the surface



- Good correlation: Currently unique!!!
- ✓ Weak mean bias
- ✓ Precision near expected IASI+GOME2 errors

Surface variability of O3 is not observed by IASI only approach

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4 May 2009

IASI+GOME2 \rightarrow O₃ at 2 to 3 km



 Θ_{eq} , geopotential and winds at 850 hPa



CO from IASI -> Anthropogenic tracer



Potential vorticity at 300 hPa -> Stratosphere



5 May 2009

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6 May 2009

IASI+GOME2 \rightarrow O₃ at 2 to 3 km CO from IASI -> Anthropogenic tracer Latitude Latitude 150 ppb ppb Longitude Longitude

 $\Theta_{\rm eq},$ geopotential and winds at 850 hPa



Potential vorticity at 300 hPa -> Stratosphere



7 May 2009

125 Longitude 135



115 120 125 130 135 140 145 150 Longitude 0.5

8 May 2009



Longitude

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0.5



 $\Delta O_3 / \Delta CO$ is the relative increase of O_3 , accounting for air masses dispersion and considering CO as a passive tracer



O₃ pollution over Europe during the COVID-19 lockdown of springtime 2020

[Cuesta et al. 2022 ACP]

- Quantify the impact of the COV-19 lockdown on ozone pollution over Europe
- □ Analyze the link with photochemical regimes : NOx-limited & VOC-limited

Which approach ?

Synergism of satellite observations, in-situ data and a chemistry-transport model







The new multispectral satellite data "IASI+GOME2"

 \rightarrow Enhanced sensitivity to near-surface O₃

Approach to study the impact of COVID19 lockdown on ozone pollution

Complexity

Secondary pollutant with non-linear effects according to NOx-limited and VOC-limited regimes



The chemistry-transport transport model CHIMERE

CHIMERE v2017 (Menut et al., 2020) 20 x 20 km² - 9 vertical levels Anthropogenic emissions from HTAP v2.2 Meteorological fields from the BOLAM model MEGAN biological emissions COVID run :



 \downarrow road traffic, \downarrow industry, \downarrow airplane & ship traffic (% from CAMS covid inventory)

April 2020 (COVID emissions), April 2020 (reference emissions) & April 2019

Model-derived COVID lockdown effect

 Δ Meteorology correction for observations

Satellite IASI+GOME2 vs Surface In situ

 O_3 (2020) – O_3 (2019) \rightarrow Lockdown effect + Δ Meteorology



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Clear signatures from VOC-limited & NOx-limited regimes from Beekmann and Vautard, 2010

Satellite IASI+GOME2 vs CHIMERE model

 O_3 (2020) – O_3 (2019) \rightarrow Lockdown effect + Δ Meteorology



Estimation of the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown from models and observations

From the CHIMERE model

$$1O_{3\,mod}^{covid} = O_{3\,mod_{COVID}}^{2020} - O_{3\,mod_{STD}}^{2020}$$

From surface & "business as usual" inventory
satellite
$$\Delta O_{3\,obs}^{covid} \approx O_{3\,obs}^{2020} - O_{3\,obs}^{2019} - \left(O_{3\,mod_{STD}}^{2020} - O_{3\,mod_{STD}}^{2019}\right)$$

observations

➔ Adjustment for changes in meteorological conditions between 2020 and 2019 using model simulations

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Impact of COVID-19 lockdown for Surface MDA8 O₃



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- Ext 4 Laft papels: Average approximation of the observed 1 h daily maximum NO (top) and MDAOD (bottom) concentrations at hadren und sites during 15

COVID-19 lockdown impact on O₃ pollution



Large-scale reduction seen by ozone sondes & lidars in the free troposphere (Steinbrech et al., 2021)

COVID-19 lockdown impact on O₃ pollution



Agreement over France, Benelux and Italy. The model : → underestimates the accumulation of O₃ over the Po Valley → overestimates that over Germany and Poland → Misses the large-scale reduction

Global production and distribution of IASI+GOME2 multispectral satellite observations starting in 2017 http://www.aeris-data.fr



Multi-annuel evolution of O₃ pollution at global scale



Global comparison : IASI+GOME2 vs Chemical reanalysis

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values of the three datasets

The future

Upcoming satellite missions with better performances → ESP-SG & MTG



For T, WV, O₃, CO, CO₂, etc : more information on the vertical. For weak absorbers : improved detection limit + more species measured instead of detected

Pseudo-observation simulator

 \rightarrow For quantifying the added values of future satellite observations



Sensitivity enhancement with IASI-NG+UVNS

IASI-NG
 ½ radiometric noise and ½ spectral resolution wrt IASI

UVNS -> 1/3 radiometric noise and 2 x spectral resoluiton wrt GOME-2

IASI+GOME2

Degrees of freedom

Max. Sensitivity height

IASI-NG+UVNS

H^{max}land =

1,25 km agl

→ Air

Quality !!



Observation of O3 pollution with IASI-NG+UVNS



O₃ plumes below 2 km of altitude
 Better vertical resolution

Some conclusions

Spectrally-resolved satellite observation are widely used to study atmospheric chemistry and air pollution

 Retrieval approaches are designed for extracting the information on the 3D distribution of atmospheric constituents from spectra measured in the UV, Visible, IR and Microwaves

The performance for deriving the atmospheric composition relies on:

- The quality of the atmospheric measurements (calibration, resolution, knowledge of errors, etc.)
- ✓ The quality of the "direct" model (spectroscopy databases, physical representation of the atmosphere and surface) → particularly for multispectral approaches

Appropriate constraints of the retrievals

Multispectral approaches are promising tools for observing air pollution (sensitivity for lowest layers, 3D distributions, etc.)

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