CIMSS Hyperspectral IR Sounding Retrieval (CHISR) Processing & Applications

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Hyperspectral IR Sounder





Abundant Information Content allows the high vertical resolution temperature and moisture profiles with high accuracy !



Hyperspectral/Ultraspectral Infrared Measurement Characteristics - continue



Detection of inversions is critical for severe weather forecasting. Combined with improved low-level moisture depiction, key ingredients for night-time severe storm development can be monitored.

Why sounding retrievals are needed?

Easy to use
Take advantage of full spectral coverage
Less data volume







The goal of CHISR is to provide a physically based optimal retrieval algorithm to simultaneously derive atmospheric temperature and moisture profiles, surface parameters and cloud parameters from hyperspectral IR measurements (e.g. from AIRS, IASI, CrIS) alone at single FOV resolution.

CIMSS Hyperspectral IR Sounding Retrieval (CHISR) Processing

Handle surface IR emissivity
Handle clouds
Retrieval algorithm

Handling surface IR emissivity

- Emissivity spectrum is expressed by its eigenvectors (derived from laboratory measurements)
- Regression retrieval are used as the first guess
- Simultaneous retrieval of emissivity spectrum and soundings in physical iterative approach (Li et al. 2007, 2008)

AIRS emissivity (CH: 1265/8.21µm)

Re-group from IGBP category:

Forests: Evergreen needle forests Evergreen broad forests; Deciduous needle forests; Deciduous broad forests; mixed forests; Shrubs: Opened shrubs; Closed shrubs; Savanna: Woody savanna;

Savanna; Cropland: Cropland; Crop

mosaic;

Snow/Ice: Snow; Ice;

Tundra;

Desert: Desert/Barren;



Handling clouds

- Using collocated MODIS cloud mask for AIRS cloud detection (Li et al. 2004).
- Employ a cloudy radiative transfer model accounting for cloud absorption and scattering (Wei et al. 2004)
- Retrieval sounding and cloud parameters simultaneously (Zhou et al. 2007, Weisz et al. 2007)

AIRS BT spectrum



Whole sounding in broken clouds and above-cloud sounding in thick $_{\rm 13}$ clouds can be derived

First step: Regression



v1.3

Software

RT<

IMAPP

To physical inversion

Second step: Physical Inversion

Cost function for a quasi non-linear case: $J = (y - F(x))^T S_{\varepsilon}^{-1} (y - F(x)) + (x - x_a) S_a^{-1} (x - x_a)$

Newton-Gauss Iteration with regularization parameter γ : $x_{i+1} = x_a + (K_i^T S_{\varepsilon}^{-1} K_i + \gamma S_a^{-1})^{-1} K_i^T S_{\varepsilon}^{-1} [y - F(x_i) + K_i (x_i - x_a)]$

 x, x_a current /a priori atmospheric state vectorKJacobian S_a, S_{ε} A priori / measurement covariance matrixFForward model

Transform to EOF space:

 $c_{i+1} = (\tilde{K}_i^T S_{\varepsilon}^{-1} \tilde{K}_i + \gamma \tilde{S}_a^{-1})^{-1} \tilde{K}_i^T S_{\varepsilon}^{-1} [y - F(x_i) + \tilde{K}_i c_i]$

 $c = \tilde{x} - \tilde{x}_{a} \qquad \tilde{K} = K\phi$ $\tilde{x} = x\phi \qquad \tilde{S}_{a} = \phi^{T}S_{a}\phi$

 ϕ eigenvector matrix

Second Step: Physical Inversion - flow chart



Hyperspectral/Ultraspectral Infrared Sounding Performance in Clear Skies



Can Achieve Improved Atmospheric Profile Accuracy



AIRS data used for Hurricane IKE (2008) study

- September 6-7, 2008 (115°W 30°W; 0 40°N)
- About 10 AIRS granules every day
- Single field-of-view (FOV) temperature and moisture profiles (13.5 km at nadir) from AIRS are derived using CHISR
- Clear sky only temperature and moisture soundings are provided in the assimilation experiment

Retrieved 500mb temperature (2008.09.06 – Used in assimilation)



Clear sky AIRS SFOV temperature retrievals at 500 hPa on 06 September 2008, each pixel provides vertical temperature and moisture soundings.

Retrieved 500mb temperature (2008.09.07 - Used in assimilation)



Clear sky AIRS SFOV temperature retrievals at 500 hPa on 07 September 21 2008, each pixel provides vertical temperature and moisture soundings.

Tracks of ensemble mean analysis on Hurricane IKE

CTL run: Assimilate radiosonde, satellite cloud winds, aircraft data, and surface data.



Analysis from 06 UTC 6 to 00UTC 8 September 2008

Track errors of on Hurricane IKE



Analysis from 06 UTC 6 to 00UTC 8 September 2008

SLP Intensity on Hurricane IKE



Analysis from 06 UTC 6 to 00UTC 8 September 2008

Assimilation Experiments (cont 1)

- 4-day ensemble forecasts (16 members) from the analyses on 00UTC 8 September 2008.
- Track trajectory and hurricane surface central pressure are compared (every 6-hourly in the plots).

Tracks of 96h forecasts on Hurricane IKE



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Track errors of 96h forecasts



(Li and Liu 2009 - GRL)

Forecasts start at 00 UTC 8 September 2008

Typhoon Sinlaku (2008)





700 hPa water vapor mixing ratio (g/kg) (Sinlaku – 2008)

Tracks of ensemble mean analysis on Sinlaku



Analysis from 00 UTC 9 to 00UTC 10 September 2008

Tracks of 48h forecasts on Sinlaku



Forecasts start at 12 UTC 9 September 2008

Future Geostationary advanced IR sounder provides 4-D Temperature, Water Vapor, and Wind Profiling Potential





Simulated GIFTS winds (left) Vs. GOES current oper winds (right)

Summary

- CIMSS has developed an algorithm and processing package for full spatial resolution sounding retrieval from hyperspectral IR radiances in both clear and cloudy skies
- Hyperspectral IR sounder provides unprecedented global atmospheric temperature and moisture profiles that are critical for weather forecast and other applications
- Temperature and water vapor soundings from AIRS evidently improve ensemble forecast of hurricane track and intensity for Hurricane IKE and Typhoon Sinlaku (2008)
- Placing a hyperspectral IR sounder in geostationary orbit will provide four-dimensional fields of moisture, temperature and wind with high accuracy, which is critical for high impact weather nowcasting.