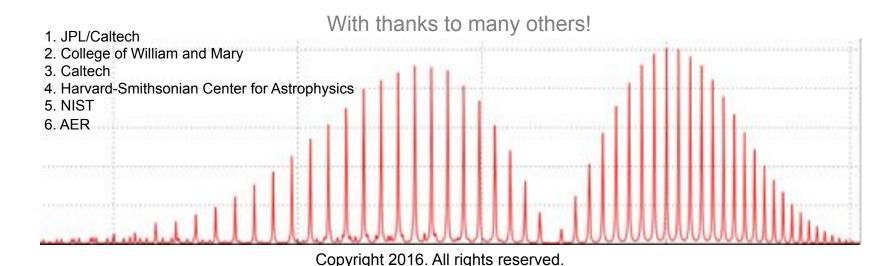


Updates to Spectroscopy for OCO-2

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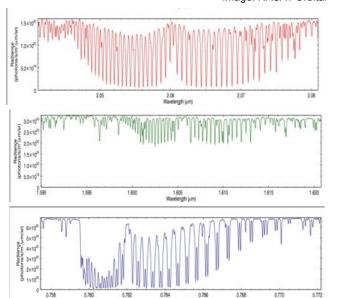


The Orbiting Carbon Observatory (OCO-2) Mission

- Grating spectrometer, 3 spectral regions
 - CO₂ in the 4850 cm⁻¹ (2.06 μm) band
 - CO₂ in the 6220 cm⁻¹ (1.6 μm) band
 - O₂ in the 13100 cm⁻¹ (0.76 μm) band
- Will estimate dry air mole fraction (X_{CO2})
 - Provides unprecedented coverage to estimate regionalscale CO₂ sources and sinks (Crisp et al., 2012)
- High accuracy requirements for X_{CO2}
 - Goal ~ 0.25% (1 ppm out of 400)
- Goal for accuracy of modeled radiance: 0.1 %



Image: NASA / Orbita





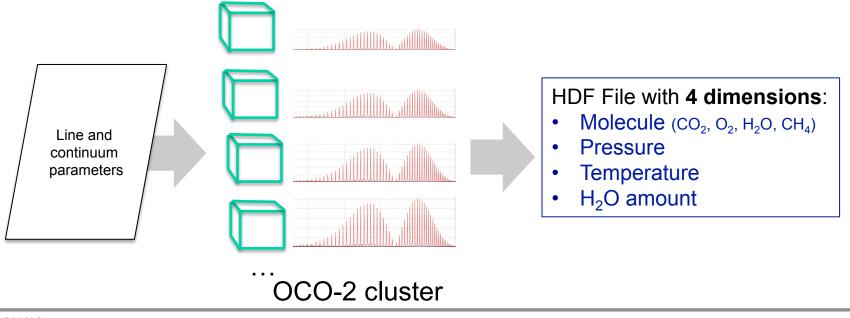
Beyond the Voigt line shape

- 0.1 % on forward-modeled radiances
 - Stringent requirements on spectroscopic input!
 - "Traditional" line shape model: Voigt
 - Voigt line shape not sufficient for OCO-2 accuracy goals
 - Efforts are underway
 - for OCO-2 and within the community
 - e.g. evolution of the HITRAN database
 - To incorporate non-Voigt lineshape formulations
 - To derive improved experimental line parameters
 - OCO-2 approach:
 - Multispectrum fitting of laboratory spectra
 - Derive line parameters that are consistent with the assumed lineshape



Absorption coefficient (ABSCO) tables

- Problem: Advanced spectroscopic models too slow for online use
- Solution: pre-computed lookup table for linear interpolation
- Compute cross sections at independent temperatures, pressures, H₂O amounts
- Current ABSCO version used in OCO-2 algorithm v7: ABSCO v4.2





Evaluation Methodology



Image: JAXA

Satellite soundings

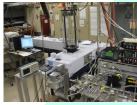
- 1-3 bands, multiple absorbers
- Low spectral resolution
- Unconstrained atmosphere, aerosols, surface albedo



Image: Caltech

TCCON spectra

- 1-3 bands, multiple absorbers
- High spectral resolution
- Full atmospheric column
- Atmosphere conditions constrained at surface



Laboratory spectra

Image: JPL

- 1 band, one absorber
- · High spectral resolution
- Known laboratory conditions
- Mostly room temperature, low optical depth

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O₂ A band

ABSCO Tables		v4.2 (L2 v7)	v5.0
13200cm ⁻¹ O ₂	Line shape	Voigt for main iso. Galatry for minor iso. Positions, intensities from Long [2010; 2011]	Speed-dependent Voigt from self- consistent set of multi-spectrum fits, utilizing FTS and CRDS measurements
	Line mixing	Tran & Hartmann [2008]	(Drouin et al. 2016, JQSRT)
	Collision Induced Absorption (CIA)	Tran & Hartmann [2008]	From ground-based atmospheric measurements at Lamont (E. Mlawer, AER) and CRDS
	H ₂ O-O ₂ broadening	Drouin et al. [2014]	Drouin et al. [2014]

ABSCO v5.0: Self-consistent set of parameters!

Multispectrum fitting approach pioneered by Chris Benner and Malathy Devi

Speed Dependent Voigt (SDV): Accounts for the fact that collisions between molecules take place with velocities spanning some distribution

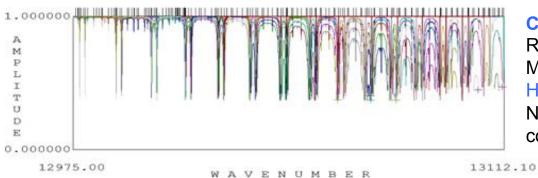
Line mixing: Accounts for collisional coupling (mixing) between spectral lines. Interactions described by a relaxation matrix.

Collision Induced Absorption: Accounts for inelastic collisions between molecules



O₂ multispectrum fitting analysis (Drouin et al. [2016])

- Self-consistent set of O₂ parameters from CRDS and FTS lab spectra
- Reduction in residual rms for laboratory fits



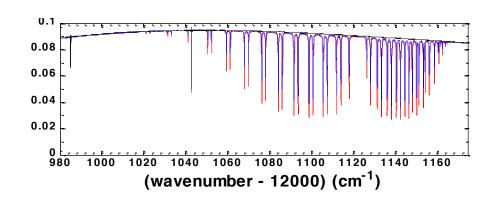
Cavity Ringdown spectra (NIST):

Room temp. only.

Multiple spectral segments.

High precision.

New info on lineshape, mixing, collision-induced absorption (CIA)



Fourier Transform Spectrometer (JPL):

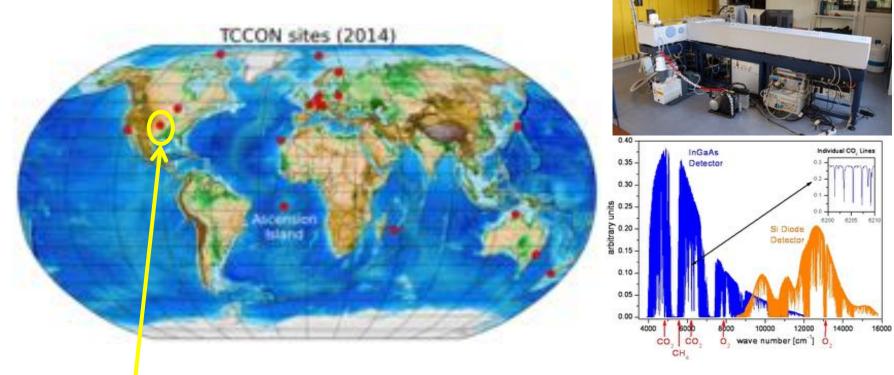
All features in one spectrum: consistency New info on lineshape, mixing and Tdependence



ABSCO evaluation using TCCON spectra

Atmospheric spectra highly sensitive to far-wing effects

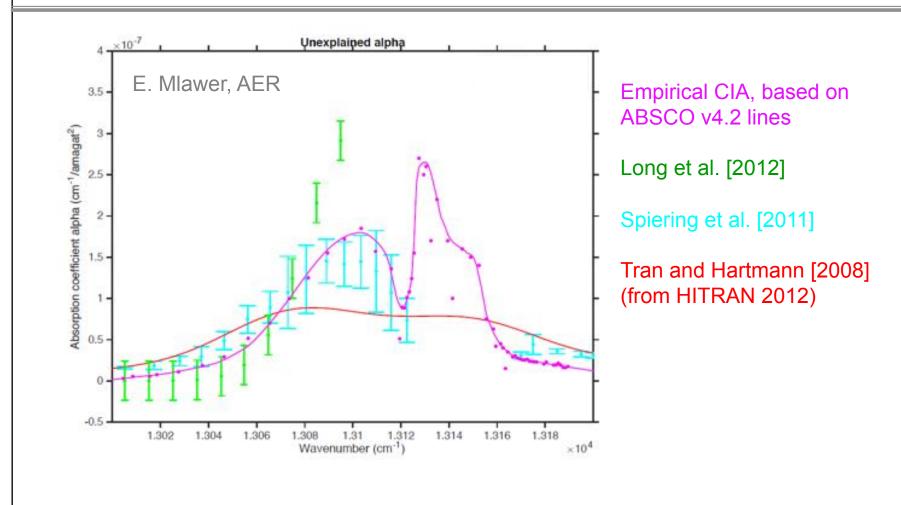
Offer additional constraints on line mixing and CIA



Lamont, Oklahoma: Additional instrumentation and "value added products" associated with the DoE ARM Southern Great Plains facility

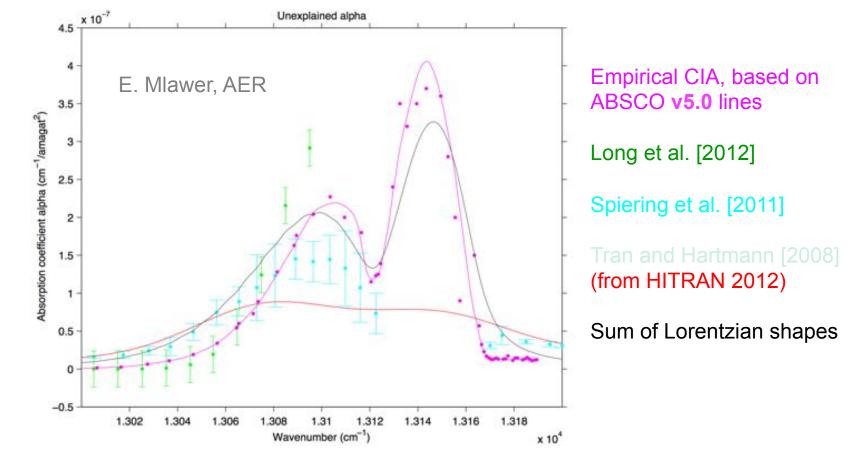


O₂ CIA: Fits from Lamont measurements





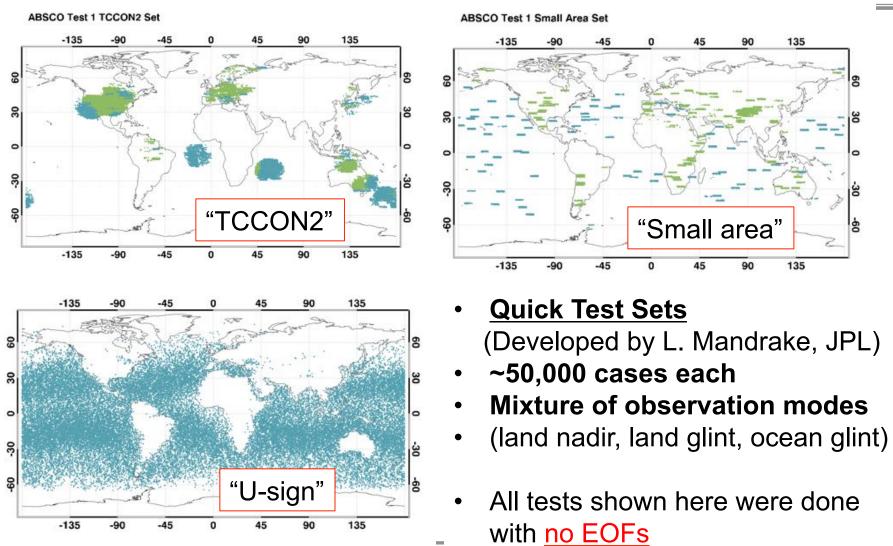
O₂ CIA: Fits from Lamont measurements



ABSCO v5.0 line contributions = more physical CIA estimate



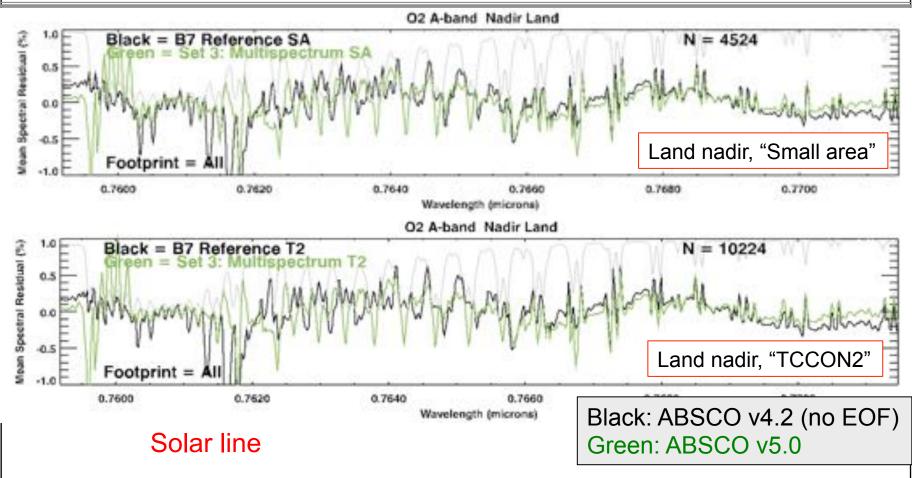
Datasets for testing ABSCO updates in the OCO-2 Level 2 algorithm





Spectral Residuals:

Examples from 2 different quick test sets

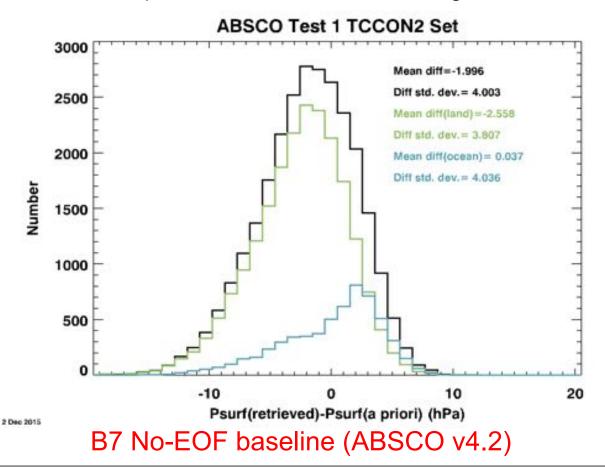


Despite the spikes in the R branch, chi² values are lower for ABSCO v5.0



Impact of O₂ A-band ABSCO update on surface pressure retrieval

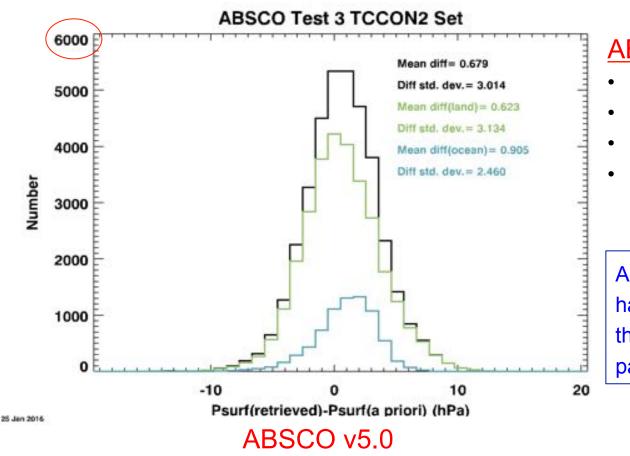
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ABSCO v5.0

- Land and ocean closer
- Peak closer to zero
- Std. dev. reduced
- Distributions more symmetric

ABSCO updates also have a strong impact on the retrieval of aerosol parameters!



CO₂ bands

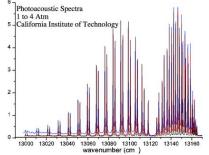
ABSCO Tables		V4.2	V5.0
4850 cm ⁻¹ CO ₂	Line shape	Speed Dependent Voigt from room temp. meas. [Benner et al., 2011] Minor isotopes: Toth 2008	Speed Dependent Voigt, fit to range of temperatures [Benner et al., 2016]
	Line mixing	Nearest-neighbor from multi- spectrum fit [Benner et al., 2011]	Nearest-neighbor from multi- spectrum fit [Benner et al., 2015]
	H ₂ O-CO ₂ broadening	Sung et al. [2009]	Sung et al. [2009]
	"CO ₂ CIA"	Ad hoc	Ad hoc
6220 cm ⁻¹ CO ₂	Line shape	Speed Dependent Voigt [Devi et al., 2007]. Minor iso: Toth	Speed Dependent Voigt fit to range of temperatures [Devi et al., 2016]
	Line mixing	Nearest-neighbor from multi- spectrum fit [Devi et al., 2007]	Nearest-neighbor from multi- spectrum fit [Devi et al., 2016]
	H ₂ O-CO ₂ broadening	Sung et al. [2009]	Sung et al. [2009]
H₂O and CH₄ in	H ₂ O continuum	Supplied by E. Mlawer	Supplied by E. Mlawer
CO ₂ bands	H ₂ O lines	Custom lists from I. Gordon	Custom lists from I. Gordon
	CH₄ lines	Not included	Not included



Summary and future work

- Publications describing ABSCO v5.0 updates:
 - 0.76 μm O₂: Drouin et al. (2016), JQSRT
 - **1.6** μ**m CO**₂: Devi et al. (2016), JQSRT
 - 2.06 μm CO₂: Benner et al. (2016), J. Mol. Spec.
- ABSCO v5.0 tables available on request.
- Beyond ABSCO v5.0:

 $0.76 \mu m O_2$

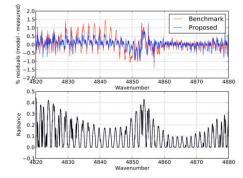


Analysis of new lab measurements

Cavity Ringdown Spectroscopy (NIST) Photoacoustic Spectroscopy (Caltech) Range of temperatures

New information on line mixing and CIA

 $2.06 \mu m CO_2$

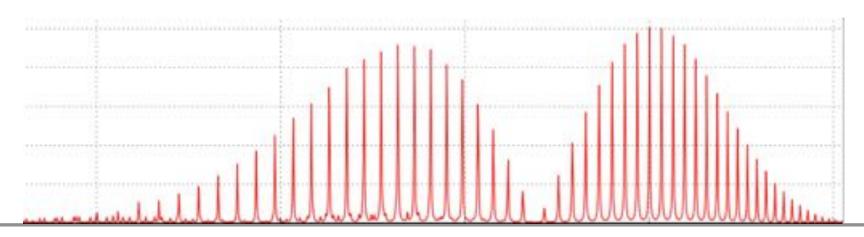


Beyond nearest-neighbor line mixing:

Re-evaluate 2.06 µm line mixing in the context of available measurements & theory

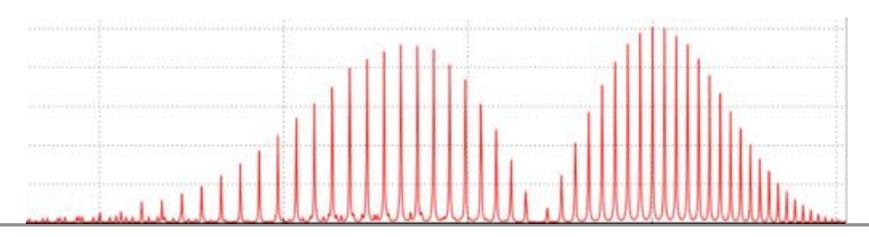


Questions?



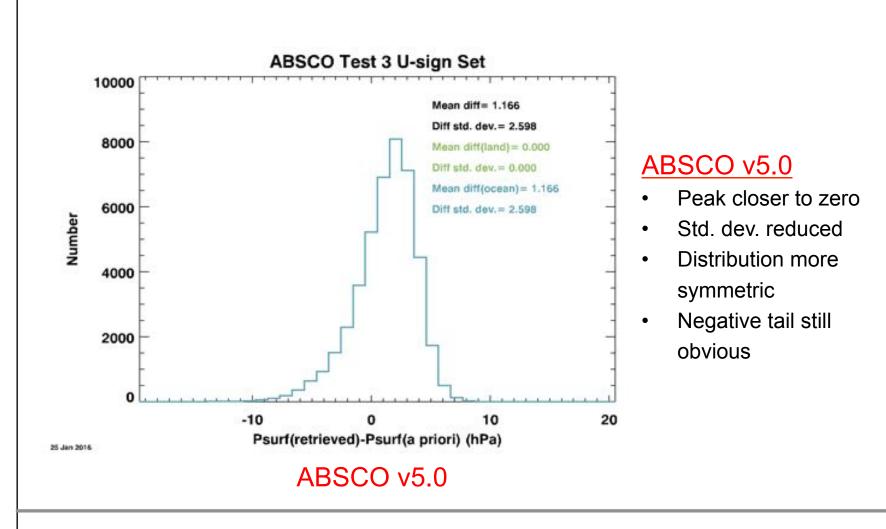


Back-up slides



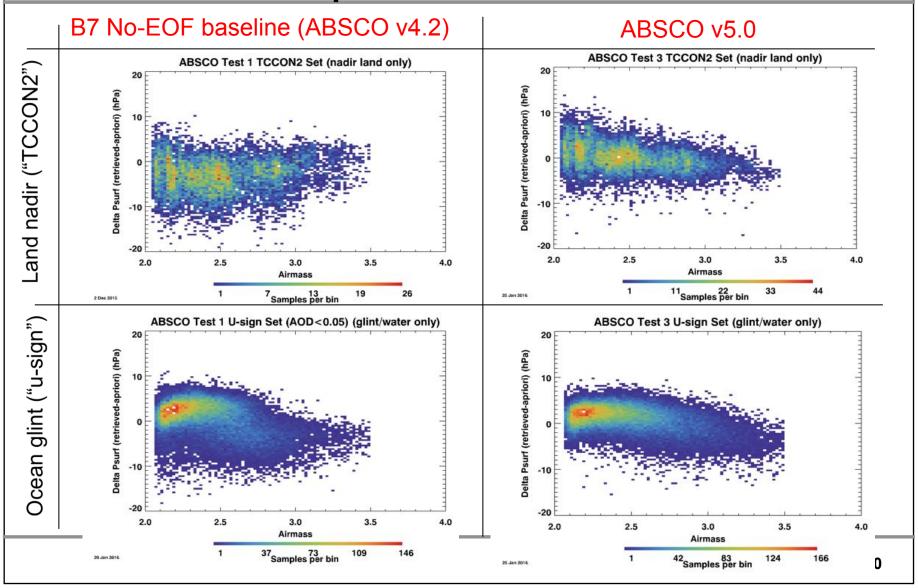


Impact of O₂ A-band ABSCO update on surface pressure retrieval





Impact of O₂ A-band ABSCO update on airmass dependence of PSUR retrieval





Inter-band scaling

1.6 μm (weak) CO₂ band

- Weak band fits to atmospheric measurements are reasonable
- Apply constant scaling to ABSCO table as calculated from Devi et al. [2016] fits
- Scaling factor: 1.014
 - Scaling factor is currently baked into the WCO2 table
 - Rationale: Aim for consistency with NIST-measured intensities in Polyansky et al. [2015]
 - ABSCO-based single-band ground-based XCO2 retrievals (from TCCON spectra) show very good agreement with official TCCON XCO2 after this scaling

2.06 μm (strong) CO₂ band

- Strong band fits to atmospheric measurements remain problematic
 - Line shape / line mixing / airmass dependence remain a concern
 - Ad-hoc "CIA" (not based on physics) is still in the ABSCO v5.0 tables
- Apply constant scaling factor to ABSCO table: 1.006
 - Scaling factor not currently baked into the SCO2 table
 - Happens to be ratio between Benner et al. and Zak et al. (2016) ab initio intensities
 - Brings single-band ground-based XCO2 retrievals into agreement with official TCCON XCO2 (at least at low airmass)



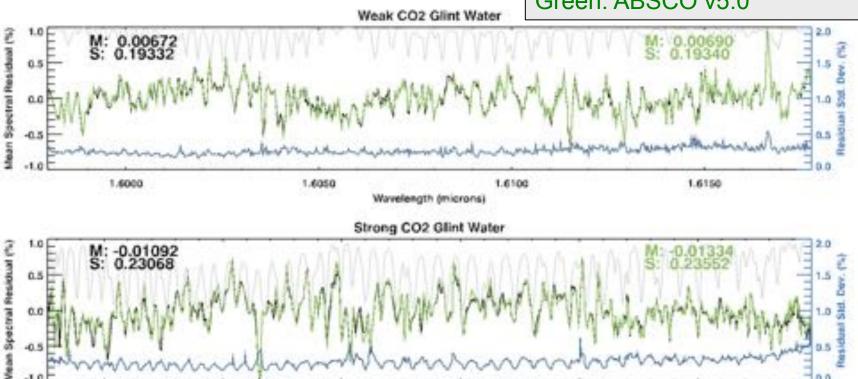
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Spectral residuals: CO₂ bands

Black: ABSCO v4.2 (no EOF)

2.0750

Green: ABSCO v5.0



- Residuals do not change much going from ABSCO v4.2 to v5.0.
- Residuals very similar for different observation modes and test sets.

Wavelength (microns)

2,0650

2.0700

- Largest residual features are H₂O lines (minimal impact on XCO₂)
- (Scaling does not significantly affect the residuals.)

2,0500

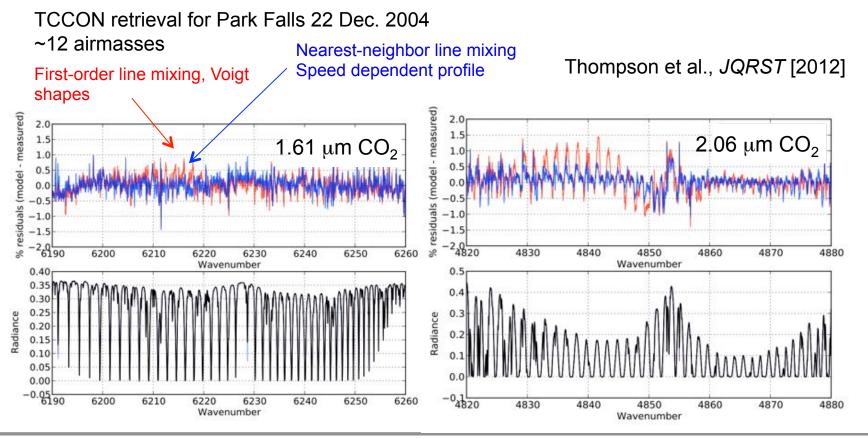
2.0550

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CO₂ bands

- Moving to nearest-neighbor line mixing brought marked improvement
- Time to move beyond nearest-neighbor line mixing?





Clarifications on retrievals

Official TCCON XCO2 product (Wunch et al., 2010)

- Surface pressure is measured at the ground site
- XCO2 retrievals performed using the 1.6 μm CO2 band
- Retrievals involve scaling of an a priori CO2 profile
- Official TCCON XCO2 retrievals do not use our ABSCO tables
- Retrieval results calibrated for consistency with aircraft/AirCore measurements
- Consistency with reference measurements
 - Without stringent requirements on spectroscopic accuracy

Retrievals from TCCON FTS for ABSCO validation

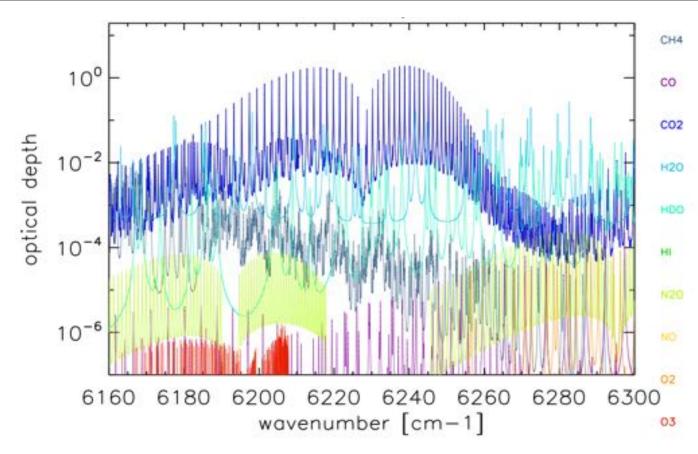
- Single-band XCO2 retrievals using the 1.6 or 2.06 μm bands
- Retrievals involve scaling of an a priori CO₂ profile
- Can also jointly retrieve an H2O scaling factor and T offset
- Retrieve XCO₂ using OCO-2 ABSCO tables/spectroscopy
- Compare result to official TCCON XCO2 product

OCO-2 L2 retrieval algorithm

- 3 band joint retrieval
- PSUR, CO2 profile on 20 levels, H2O scaling, T offset, aerosol parameters
- XCO2 calculated afterwards from retrieved profile
- Retrievals use OCO-2 ABSCO tables



Interferents



Significant interferents:

1.6 micron (4850 cm⁻¹): H₂O

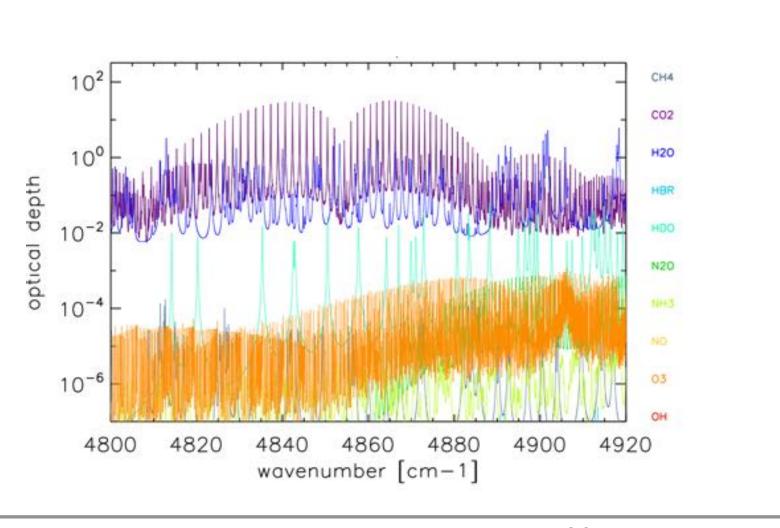
2.06 micron (6220 cm⁻¹): H₂O, CH₄

 $0.76 \text{ micron } (13100 \text{ cm}^{-1}): \bar{H}_2O$

OH



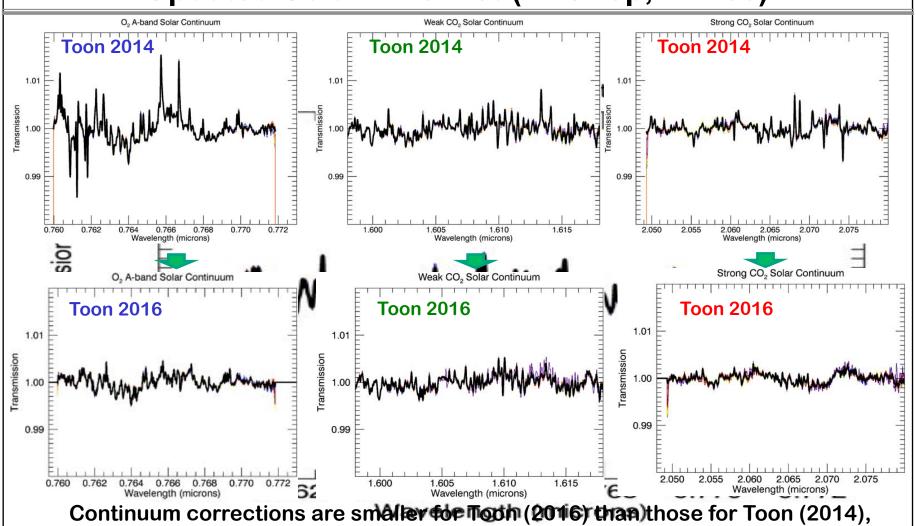
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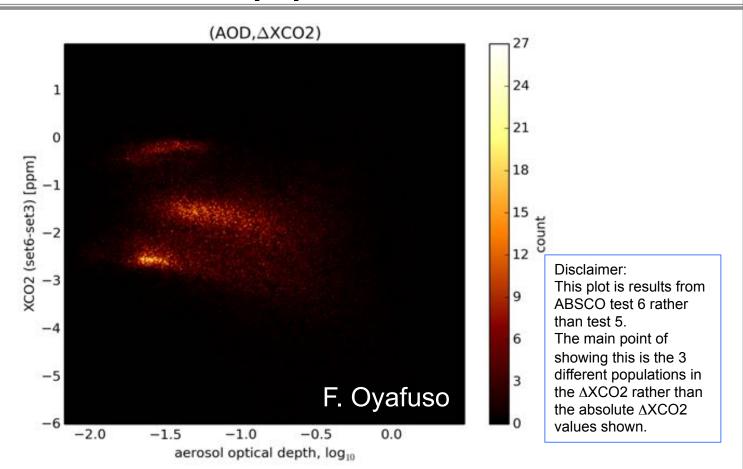
Reduced Solar Doppler Residuals for **Updated Solar Line List (D. Crisp, R. Lee)**



reflecting improvements in the synthetic solar spectrum.



Impact of CO₂ ABSCO updates: Different populations



Impact of CO₂ spectroscopy is not globally uniform. Distribution of differences is not mono-gaussian.