

Radiative transfer models in the internet-accessible information-computational system “Atmospheric radiation”

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Codes for modeling of the shortwave atmospheric radiative transfer

RAPRAD [Kato et al], RRTM_SW [Clough et al,], MODTRAN4.9 [Anderson et al,], SMARTS[Gueymard C.], SBDART[Ricchiazzi et al], SBMOD [Yang et al]

Max. difference between calculated downward SW fluxes $>19 \text{ W/m}^2$

[Michalsky J.J., Anderson G.P., Barnard J et al.// J. Geophys. Res. 2006. V. 111.]

Spectroscopic databanks of absorption lines of the atmospheric gases

1. **HITRAN** [<http://cfa-www.harvard.edu/hitran/>]
2. **GEISA** [Jacquinet-Husson et al.]
3. **BT2** (H₂O lines) [Barber R.J., Tennyson J., et al]
4. **PS** (H₂O lines) [H. Partridge and D.W. Schwenke]

Internet-accessible system «Atmospheric Radiation» in the IAO site: <http://atrad.atmos.iao.ru/>

The screenshot shows the web interface for the Atmospheric Radiation system. At the top, there is a header with a globe icon and the text "Atmospheric radiation". To the right, the user name "Фирсов Константин Михайлович" is displayed along with icons for settings and a lock. Below the header is a navigation menu with tabs for "Measurements", "INM Model", "IAO radiative model", "Frolkis Model", "Results", and "Info". A language selector shows "Rus | Eng" and a search bar contains "aaa » dd". A sidebar on the left lists menu items: "Portal", "Aerosol", "Radiation", "Spectroscopy", "Chemistry", "Climate", "About Portal", and "Middleware". The main content area features a document icon and the title "Atmospheric Radiation". Below the title, a paragraph describes the site's purpose: "Atmospheric Radiation site is used for calculations of radiation fluxes in the atmosphere and study of aerosols, clouds and the minor gas constituent's effect on the radiation regime". A second paragraph states: "Complete functionality of the site is provided only for authorized users. For registration or authorization you have to click on the pictogram [user icon]. User can get additional information in [help icon]." At the bottom of the page, a footer contains the text "INTAS grant 00-189, RFBR grant №04-07-90123".

Servers:

- Institute of Atmospheric Optics SB RAS (Tomsk) <http://atrad.atmos.iao.ru>
- Ural State University (Ekaterinburg)
<http://atmos.physics.usu.ru>
- Volgograd State University (Volgograd)
<http://atmos.volsu.ru>

Longwave radiative transfer

$$F^{\uparrow}(z) = \int_0^{\infty} \pi B_{\nu}(z_0) T_{\nu}^f(z, z_0) d\nu + \int_0^z \int_0^{\infty} \pi B_{\nu}(z') \frac{dT_{\nu}^f(z, z')}{dz'} dz' d\nu$$

$$F^{\downarrow}(z) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_z^{\infty} \pi B_{\nu}(z') \frac{dT_{\nu}^f(z, z')}{dz'} dz' d\nu$$

$$\tau(z, z') = \int_z^{z'} K(\nu, p(h), t(h)) \rho(h) dh$$

$F(z)$ – radiative flux at the altitude z ; $\tau(\nu, z, z')$ - optical depth at wavenumber ν ; $\rho(h)$ – gas concentration; $p(h)$ - pressure, $t(h)$ - temperature, μ - zenith angle cosinus

Shortwave radiative transfer

$$\mu \frac{\partial I(\tau, \mu, \varphi)}{\partial \tau} = I(\tau, \mu, \varphi) - \overline{\omega}(\tau) / 4\pi \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi' \int_0^1 d\mu' f(\tau, \mu, \varphi, \mu', \varphi') I(\tau, \mu', \varphi')$$

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^N C_i I_i$$

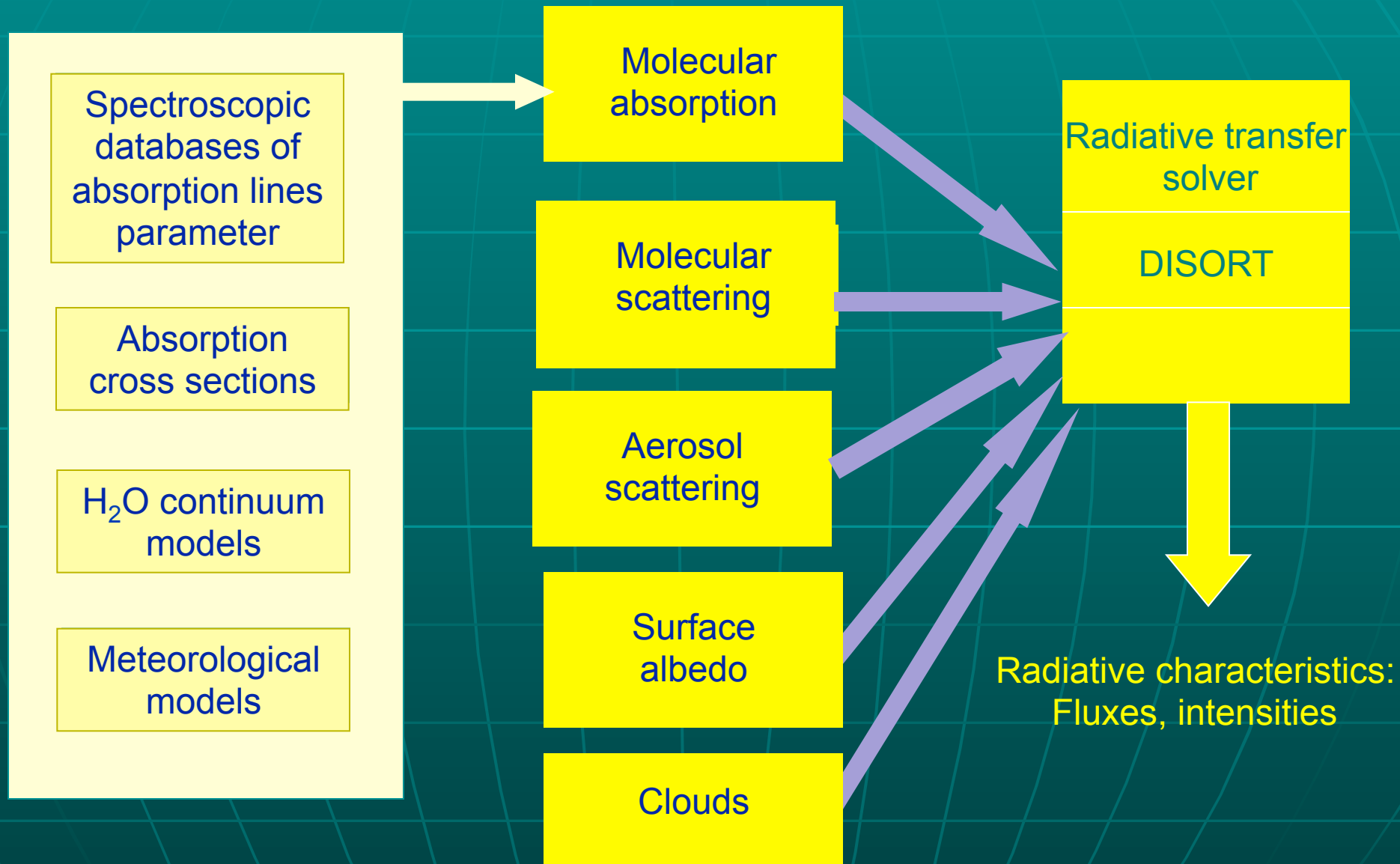
Frolkis Model

- two stream approximation for 17 spectral intervals in 4,43-1000 mkm (10-2260 cm^{-1}) spectral region
- aerosols and H_2O , CO_2 , O_3 , CH_4 , N_2O , O_2 absorption
- 3-parametric approximation of Curtis-Godson for atmospheric pressure and temperature inhomogeneity

INM Model

- H_2O , CO_2 , O_3 , CH_4 , N_2O , O_2 absorption, aerosol, clouds
- Longwave (thermal) spectrum is divided into 10 spectral bands
- shortwave (solar) spectrum – 18 bands
- height of the upper boundary layer - 50 km,
- the number of the atmosphere vertical levels -20-30
- Parameterization of H_2O , CO_2 absorption by k-distribution method,
- ozone by 2-parametric approximation of Curtis-Godson

IAO radiative model in the internet system «Atmospheric Radiation»



Interface of the Internet-accessible system «Atmospheric Radiation»

The screenshot displays the web interface for the 'Atmospheric Radiation' system, accessed via Microsoft Internet Explorer. The browser address bar shows the URL: http://atrad.atmos.iao.ru/nkk/2/init_cond/.

The interface is divided into several sections:

- Language and Navigation:** 'Rus | Eng' and 'aaa » dd' are visible at the top of the page.
- Initial conditions section:**
 - Navigation:** A dropdown menu shows 'Initial conditions' selected, with options for '.. Up', 'Initial conditions', 'Detector polar angles', 'Filter function', 'Atmosphere parameters', 'Aerosol parameters', 'Calculation...', and 'Results'.
 - Calculation parameters table:**

Calculation parameters	
Number of atmospheric layers (1-50)	45
Number of Gauss quadratures for calculation of effective absorption coefficients (3-30)	5
Surface albedo (0-1)	0.6
Sun zenith angle (0-90 deg)	30
Sun azimuth angle (0-180 deg)	0
Detector zenith angle (0-180 deg)	120
Number of azimuth angles (1-3)	3
 - Buttons:** An 'Ok' button is located at the bottom of the 'Calculation parameters' section.
- AFGL model section:**
 - Navigation:** A dropdown menu shows 'AFGL model' selected, with options for '.. Up', 'Meteo model', and 'AFGL model'.
 - AFGL model configuration table:**

AFGL model					
Latitude	<input type="checkbox"/> Tropics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H ₂ O	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CO ₂	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> O ₃	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N ₂ O
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mid	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CH ₄	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> O ₂	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
	<input type="checkbox"/> Polar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SO ₂	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ₂	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NH ₃	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HNO
Season	<input type="checkbox"/> Summer	<input type="checkbox"/> OH	<input type="checkbox"/> HF	<input type="checkbox"/> HCl	<input type="checkbox"/> HBr
	<input type="checkbox"/> Winter	<input type="checkbox"/> HI	<input type="checkbox"/> ClO	<input type="checkbox"/> OCs	<input type="checkbox"/> H ₂ CO
		<input type="checkbox"/> HOCl	<input type="checkbox"/> N ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> HCN	<input type="checkbox"/> CH ₃ Cl
		<input type="checkbox"/> H ₂ O ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> C ₂ H ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> C ₆ H ₆	<input type="checkbox"/> PH ₃
 - Buttons:** An 'Ok' button is located at the bottom of the 'AFGL model' section.
- Intensity and fluxes section:**
 - Navigation:** A dropdown menu shows 'Intensity and fluxes' selected, with options for '.. Up', 'Initial conditions', 'Atmosphere parameters', 'Aerosol parameters', 'Calculation...', 'Results', and 'Intensity and fluxes'.
 - Intensity and fluxes table:**

	45.00000	90.00000	135.0000
Azimuth angle of detector	45.00000	90.00000	135.0000
Intensity (W/(m ² *srad))	8.3135311E-03	4.0123933E-03	2.7692183E-03
 - Optical depth table:**

	Direct downward	Diffuse downward	Diffuse upward	Net Flux
At the atmosphere top	0.1519623	0.0000000E+00	7.6435857E-02	0.3114011
At surface	0.1141818	2.9467013E-02	8.6190321E-02	4.1094013E-02

At the bottom of the page, the text 'INTAS grant 00-189, RFBR grant №04-07-90123' is displayed.

Spectroscopic databases of absorption lines parameters

Spectral interval, cm ⁻¹	Number of H ₂ O (16) lines in the databank			
	BT2	PS	HITRAN 2004	HITRAN 2008
9000-10000	20825195	10675	554	613
10000-11000	17774321	18654	2742	2540
11000-12000	15010019	10862	711	1151
12000-13000	12588904	12866	1031	1614
13000-14000	10480937	15622	1720	1903
14000-15000	8588504	12284	1528	1244
15000-16000	6977227	12835	1516	1647
16000-17000	5606762	11689	1118	1248
17000-18000	4423476	12502	1061	1160
18000-19000	3430768	11053	712	757
19000-20000	2613454	9647	704	767
9000-20000	108319567	138689	13397	14644

HITRAN Database Format

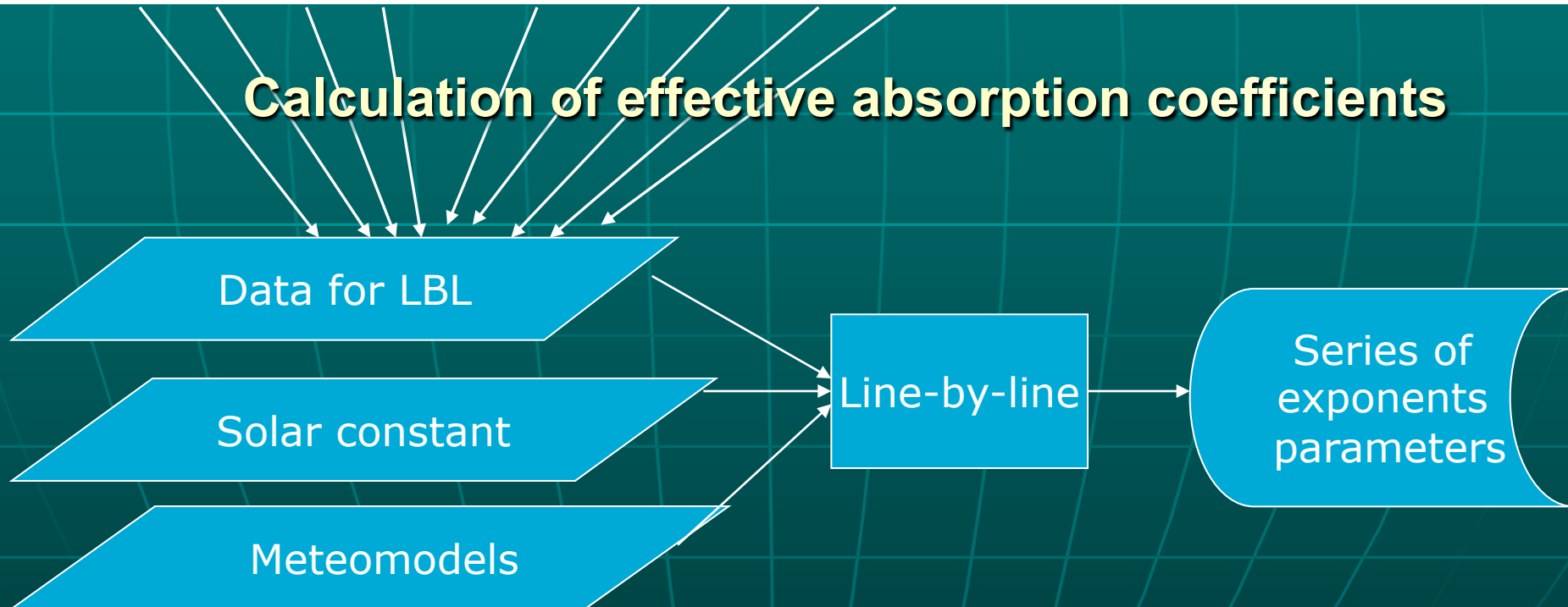
Format for HITRAN Parameters, 1986 though 2001

Parameter	Molecule number	Isotopologue number	Transition frequency (cm ⁻¹)	Line Intensity	R ²	Air-broadened width	Self-broadened width	lower-state Energy	Temperature dependence (of air width)	Pressure shift	upper vibrational quanta	lower vibrational quanta	upper local quanta	lower local quanta	Error codes	Reference codes
Field Length	2	1	12	10	10	5	5	10	4	8	3	3	9	9	3	6

New Format for HITRAN Parameters, Editions after 2001

Parameter	Molecule number	Isotopologue number	Transition frequency (cm ⁻¹)	Line Intensity	Einstein-A coefficient	Air-broadened width	Self-broadened width	lower-state Energy	Temperature dependence (of air width)	Pressure shift	upper vibrational quanta	lower vibrational quanta	upper local quanta	lower local quanta	Error codes	Reference codes	Flag for line-mixing	upper statistical weight	lower statistical weight
Field Length	2	1	12	10	10	5	5	10	4	8	15	15	15	15	6	12	1	7	7
FORTRAN descriptor	I2	I1	F12.6	1PE10.3	E10.3	OPF5.4	F5.4	1PF10.4	OPF4.2	F8.6	A15	A15	A15	A15	6I1	6I2	A1	F7.1	F7.1

Calculation of effective absorption coefficients



H2O continuum models

- RSB (Robertc et al, 1976)
- ARF (Arefiev, 1990)
- CKD1 (Clough et al, 1989)
- CKD2.4 (Mlawer et al, 1998)
- MTCKD (Clough et al, 2003, 2007)

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Initial conditions

Initial conditions

.. Up

- Calculation of effective absorption coefficient
- Intensity and flux calculation
- IR fluxes calculation
 - Initial conditions
 - Meteorological model
 - Results

Calculation parameters	
Spectral interval for IR fluxes (0-3000 cm ⁻¹)	0 - 500
Calculate with H ₂ O continuum absorption	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Model of H ₂ O continuum	CKD1
Spectral range for H ₂ O continuum (0-3000 cm ⁻¹) for models RSB and ARF	

Ok

CKD1
CKD2.4
MT_CKD
RSB
ARF

Longwave fluxes on different atmospheric heights with H₂O, CO₂, O₃, N₂O, CH₄ absorption and different H₂O continuum models in 0-3000 cm⁻¹ spectral region. MLS

Z, km	H₂O continuum models				
	CKD2.4	RSB	ARF	CKD1	MT_CKD
	Upward fluxes, W/m²				
5	347.342	348.581	348.918	346.753	347.160
10	298.688	301.030	301.590	297.269	298.465
90	281.265	284.035	284.603	279.814	281.173
	Downward fluxes, W/m²				
0	350.505	349.317	348.573	350.110	350.918
5	161.377	155.689	155.331	164.078	162.105
10	53.193	50.888	50.867	54.305	52.776

Difference 4-5 W/m² (downward fluxes)

Algorithm to calculate the broadband atmospheric radiative transfer (IAO radiative model)

$$I_{\Delta\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^N C_i Q_i$$

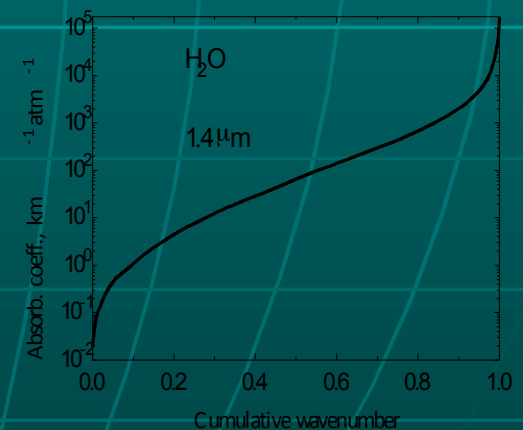
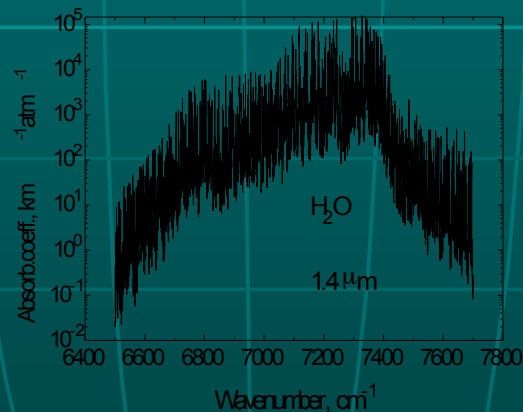
Q_i is the monochromatic radiative characteristic (brightness, flux) at the cumulative wavelength g_i ($i=1, \dots, N$; $N \sim 5-10$)

Calculation stages:

1. Altitude profile of absorption coefficients $K(\lambda, h)$ by line-by-line method from HITRAN with high resolution;
2. Effective absorption coefficients $K(g_i, h)$ at the cumulative wavelengths g_i taking into account Sun radiation $S(\lambda)$ and filter function $F(\lambda)$

$$g(k, h) = \int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} F(\lambda) S(\lambda) U(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$U(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1, & K(\lambda, h) < k \\ 0, & K(\lambda, h) > k \end{cases}$$



3. Solving the radiative transfer equation at each wavelength g_i by DISORT

Longwave fluxes in 0-3000 cm^{-1} spectral region for CCMVAL meteomodel

Meteomodel	Z, km	Upward flux , W/m ²			Downward flux , W/m ²		
		LBL [Fomin*]	k-distribution	Difference,%	LBL [Fomin*]	k-distribution	Difference,%
A ₁	100	176.8	177.66	-0,486	0	0	0
	0	212.4	212.45	-0,024	140.7	141.82	-0,796
A ₂	100	220.7	221.40	-0,317	0	0	0
	0	298.9	299.14	-0,080	214.01	214.67	-0,308
A ₃	100	278.9	279.69	-0,283	0	0	0
	0	456.88	456.78	0,022	402.96	404.71	-0,435
B ₁	100	176.62	177.44	-0,464	0	0	0
	0	212.47	212.45	0,009	141.20	142.23	-0,729
B ₂	100	220.34	221.06	-0,327	0	0	0
	0	298.95	299.14	-0,064	214.48	215.08	-0,280
B ₃	100	278.37	279.18	-0,291	0	0	0
	0	456.88	456.78	0,022	403.12	404.85	-0,429

A1- A3: CO₂ -338 ppm (1986), B1- B3: CO₂ -380 ppm (2005)

*Fomin B.A., Falaleeva V.A. *Atmospheric and Oceanic Optics*. 2009

Difference <0,5% (upward fluxes)
<1% (downward fluxes)

A₁, B₁: 80,185° CШ

A₂, B₂: 49,906° CШ

A₃, B₃: 0,56° CШ

Shortwave downward and upward fluxes

MLS, 10000-10500 cm^{-1} , $A_s=1$, $\text{SZA}=30^\circ$

Height, km	Upward fluxes, W/m^2			Downward fluxes, W/m^2		
	Monte Carlo, LBL [Fomin]	DISORT, LBL	DISORT, KD	Monte Carlo, LBL [Fomin]	DISORT, LBL	DISORT, KD
Clouds ScI, $R_{\text{ef}} = 5.4 \mu\text{m}$, $\tau_{\text{cloud}} = 2.81$; layer 12.4–13 km						
0	23.20	23.01	22.75	23.20	23.01	22.75
1	21.53	21.25	20.95	25.14	24.99	24.81
2	20.79	20.48	20.18	26.81	26.67	26.62
5	20.18	19.86	19.54	29.79	29.61	29.85
10	20.13	19.79	19.47	30.97	30.92	29.93
100	20.47	20.07	19.47	31.44	31.36	31.74
Clouds Cb, $R_{\text{ef}} = 30 \mu\text{m}$, $\tau_{\text{cloud}} = 9.7$; layer 1.8–2 km						
0	21.42	21.74	21.51	21.42	21.74	21.51
1	20.02	20.24	19.99	23.14	23.55	23.38
2	20.53	20.68	20.60	26.98	26.91	27.04
5	19.22	19.48	19.31	30.15	29.93	30.38
10	19.10	19.34	19.16	31.38	31.25	30.67
100	19.10	19.34	19.16	31.45	31.36	31.74

Upward fluxes at the atmosphere top, W/m^2

Spectral interval, mkm		line-by-line	k-distribution
0.87-1		20.81	20.56
1-1.1		19.67	19.95
1.28-1.53		3.89	3.88
1.64-2.13		3.56	3.52
1.64-2.13	Cb	7.08	7.36
1.64-2.13	ScI	14.4	14.47

Scattering and absorption by aerosol, cloud and Rayleigh, absorption by all gases
SZA=30° MLS.

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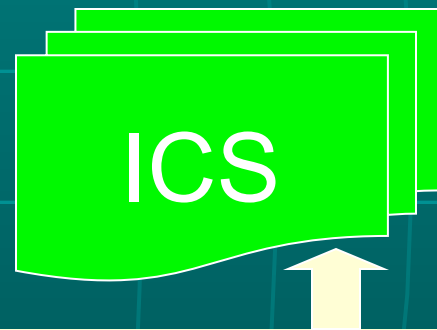
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Optical characteristics of drop clouds and aerosol models.

Benchmark calculations of downward and upward radiation for testing of atmospheric radiative transfer models

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MODIS satellite data of optical characteristics of clouds and aerosol for northern hemisphere



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A priori information of vertical profiles of H_2O , HDO , O_3 , CH_4 , CO_2 and temperature

Thank you for attention!