ICOS-D inverse modelling using the CarboScope regional inversion system

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Deutscher Wetterdienst Wetter und Klima aus einer Hand





- The inversion system
- Synthetic data inversion
- Real data inversion
- Uncertainty in atmospheric transport
- Summary



The Inversion system



Cost function:

$$J = (Kx - y)^T C_y^{-1} (Kx - y) + (x - x_{prior})^T C_{prior}^{-1} (x - x_{prior})$$

Observational constraint

Prior constraint



Aug 1 2007, 00:00 GMT (NIGHT)



Stochastic Time Inverted Lagrangian Transport (STILT)

- Ensemble of particles released at measurement locations
- Time reversed
- Particles driven by wind + turbulent process
- Footprint calculation
- NRT possible (ECMWF forecasts)

=> Footprints available through ICOS CP



Vegetation Photosynthesis Respiration Model (VPRM) [Pathmathevan et al., 2008]

Initial optimization of parameters against Eddy Cov. α , β , λ , and PAR₀



8 day, 500 m



SYNMAP land cover [Jung et al., 2006]









- Optimizing 4 parameters for each of 6 vegetation types (30 parameters)
- Temporal data coverage matters
 => data density weighting





Fossil fuel prior fluxes

- EDGAR v4.3 at 0.1^o
- CO₂ and CH₄ (and CO)
- IPCC category and fuel type differentiation
- Time factors applied to create hourly temporal resolution
- Interannual variations scaled according to BP energy statistics at national level
- Extrapolation to 1-2 years after BP statistics
 => current year available





TM3-STILT – two step inversion

- Input : Atmospheric observations, prior fluxes (biospheric, ocean, fossil fuel)
- TM3 global inversion 5° x 4°
- STILT regional inversion
 0.25° x 0.25°
- State space: 0.5° resolution, 3hourly flux optimization





Inversion setup

Atmospheric observations:



- 16 atmospheric stations (2007) (Continuous measurements and flask sample analysis)
- Daytime 11-16 local (mountain: 23-04)

CO₂ Model-data mismatch error in ppm (for weekly time scales)

S	С	Μ	Т	UP
1.5	2.5	1.5	1.5	4

S: Near shore C: Continental (surface) M: Mountain T: Tall tower UP: Urban polluted

Prior error structure (derived from differences prior fluxes – flux observations):

- Diagonal: 2.3 µmoles/m²/s (daily fluxes, 0.5x0.5 ° lat-lon)
- error correlations: 30 days, 100 km

=> error inflation needed to obtain consistency with
global inversions
0.3 GtC/yr for annual and domain wide aggregated prior error

- **B1** case: Error inflation (scaling of covariance matrix)
- S1 case: Error inflation by adding a bias term (constant in time, respiration shape)



Synthetic data inversion







Kountouris et al., 2016a ACPD

- Successfully retrieved fluxes at monthly and annual scales
- Case S1 (with bias component) results in lower posterior uncertainties



Pseudo data inversion – Country-scale C budget



 Successfully retrieved fluxes at monthly and national scales

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Reduction in Uncertainties (prior -> posterior) larger for countries with more observations



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Daily averaged flux estimates in gC d⁻¹ m⁻²



Small scale structure: vegetation coverage, radiation, temperature (a priori)

Larger scale corrections from atmospheric constrain

Innovation: posterior – prior Kountouris et al., 2016b ACPD



Real data inversion 2007: Domain-wide C-budget



Domain-wide sink ranges between 0.23 - 0.38 GtC y⁻¹



Real data inversion 2007: Validation



Extracting posterior fluxes at Eddy Covariance Flux sites comparison to independent flux observations (case B2, BIOME-BGC prior fluxes not dependent on flux observations)

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Impact of Uncertainty in Vertical Mixing

"assimilating" mixing heights (example: 9 Sep. 2009, 12:00)

- derived from IGRA data (radiosonde profiles)
- using KED (Kriging with external drift, Drift term WRF-MH)



0 5 10 15 20 Time of the day

[Kretschmer et al., 2013 & 2014]







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- Co-located surface stations
- Validation of ceilometer PBLH against radiosonde PBLH
- ECMWF PBLH (7 km res.) as "transfer standard"







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Ceilometer vs. ECMWF

- First of 3 candidate PBLH chosen
- Only QC flag >1
- 15 s data -> hourly
- Rain excluded (weather data from co-located surface station)
- Only 10:00-14:00
- Up to 50% explained variance



boltenhagen; sl.: 1.11, offs.: 389, r2: 0.07

goldberg; sl.: 0.95, offs.: 224, r2: 0.19



schleswig (boltenhagen); sl.: 1.55, offs.: -411, r2: 0.48



Radiosonde vs. ECMWF

- Validation of transfer
 standard
- 3000 2500 Radiosonde PBLH [m] 2000 Jan Feb 1500 Mar Apr May 000 Jun Jul Aug 500 Sep Oct Nov Dec 500 1000 1500 2000 2500 3000 ECMWF PBLH [m] lindenberg (kyritz); sl.: 1.41, offs.: -222, r2: 0.49 3000 2500 Radiosonde PBLH [m] 2000 Jan 1500 Feb Mar Apr May 1000 Jun Jul Aug 500 Sep Oct Nov • Dec 1000 2000 2500 500 1500 3000 ECMWF PBLH [m]





bergen (magdeburg); sl.: 1.22, offs.: -135, r2: 0.53



around 50%
 explained variance



schleswig (boltenhagen); sl.: 1, offs.: -111, r2: 0.55



ECMWF vs. ECMWF

 Radiosonde and ceilometer locations 80-140 km apart



around 70%
 explained variance

greifswald (goldberg); sl.: 1, offs.: 51, r2: 0.6



bergen (magdeburg); sl.: 1.06, offs.: -67, r2: 0.7





schleswig (boltenhagen); sl.: 0.29, offs.: 924, r2: 0.03



Ceilometer vs. Radiosonde

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Radiosonde PBLH [m]



500

1000

greifswald (goldberg); sl.: 0.51, offs.: 584, r2: 0.16



1500

2000

2500

3000



20-40%
 explained variance



Using additional data streams: regular profiles



• Regular vertical profiles of GHGs from airliners



- Data driven approach from local to continental-scale to infer fluxes from the land biosphere
- Flux estimates can be successfully retrieved down to country and monthly scales
- Spatially resolved flux estimates potentially affected by assumed emissions
 => fossil CO2 prior at higher resolution for filtering
- up-to-date inversion products possible with near-real time data
- Utilizing mixing heights from ceilometers seems possible
- **Outlook**: H2020 proposal VERIFY (Observation-based system for monitoring and verification of greenhouse gases)
 - Multiple emission inventories, Multiple NEE flux priors
 - Validation against IAGOS profiles
 - High-res. ffCO₂ simulations for dense observations within hotspot region