

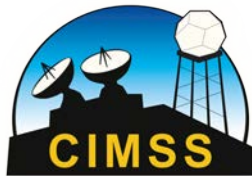


Introduction

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1. Prepare and Diagnose Observations



CLIMCAPS: Community Long-term Infrared Microwave Combined Atmospheric Product System

NASA Continuity Sounder Product

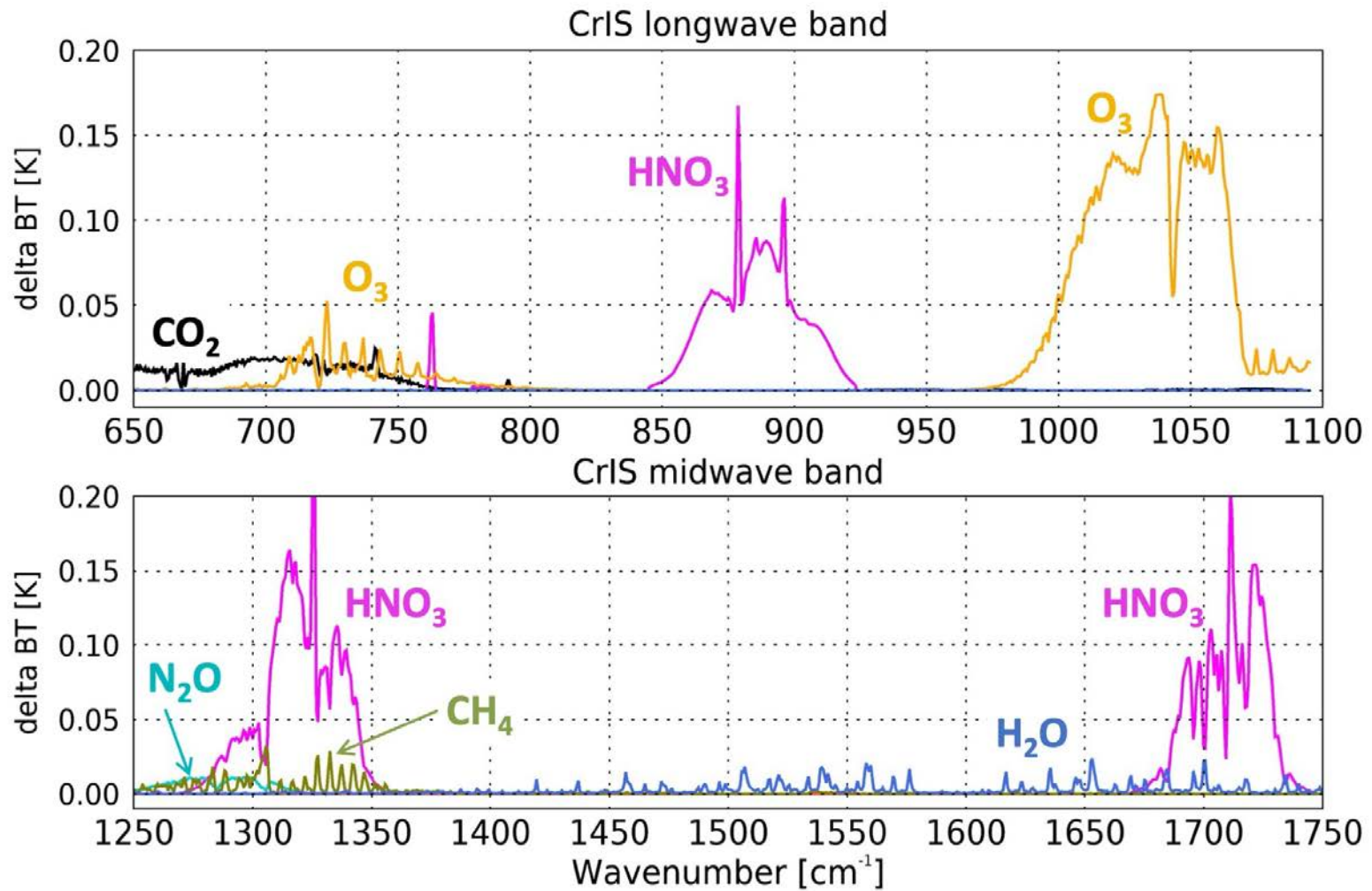
AIRS Science Team Heritage Algorithm for IR + MW sounders

- CrIS/ATMS from SNPP (CrIS nominal spectral resolution)
- **CrIS/ATMS** from **SNPP** and **JPSS-1** (CrIS full spectral resolution)
- **AIRS/AMSU** from **Aqua**
- **SARTA** forward model (Strow et al. 2003) – most robust IR forward model, especially for trace gases.

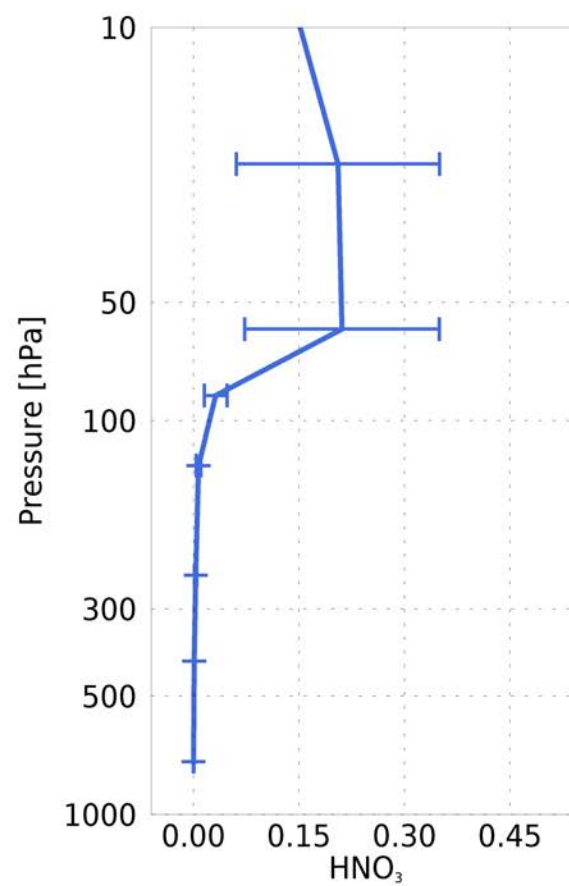
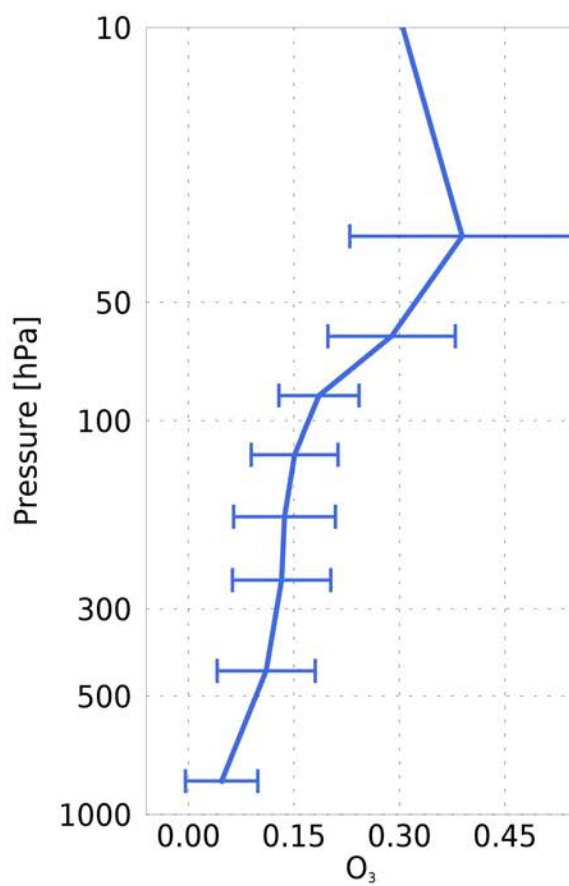
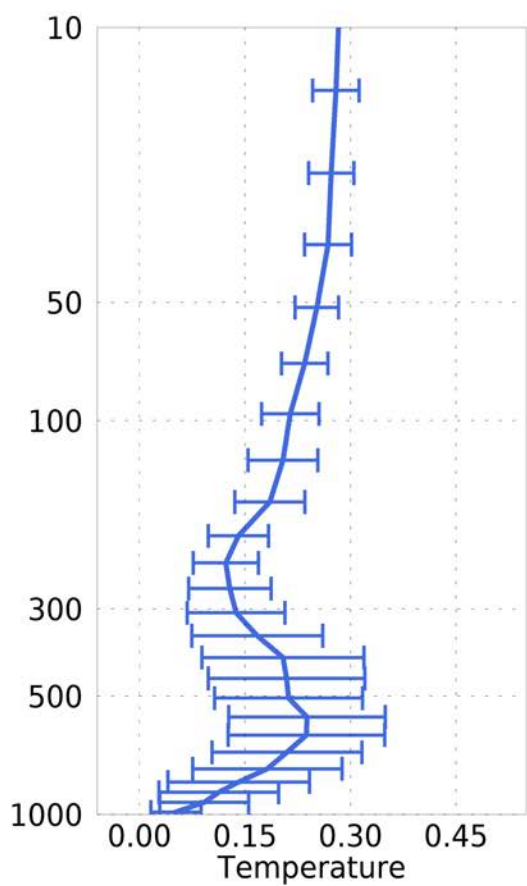
Suite of atmospheric retrievals – profiles of temperature, moisture, trace gases, cloud top pressure, cloud fraction, emissivity – with error estimates and information content metrics

Long-term (2002-present) record of the vertical atmospheric state

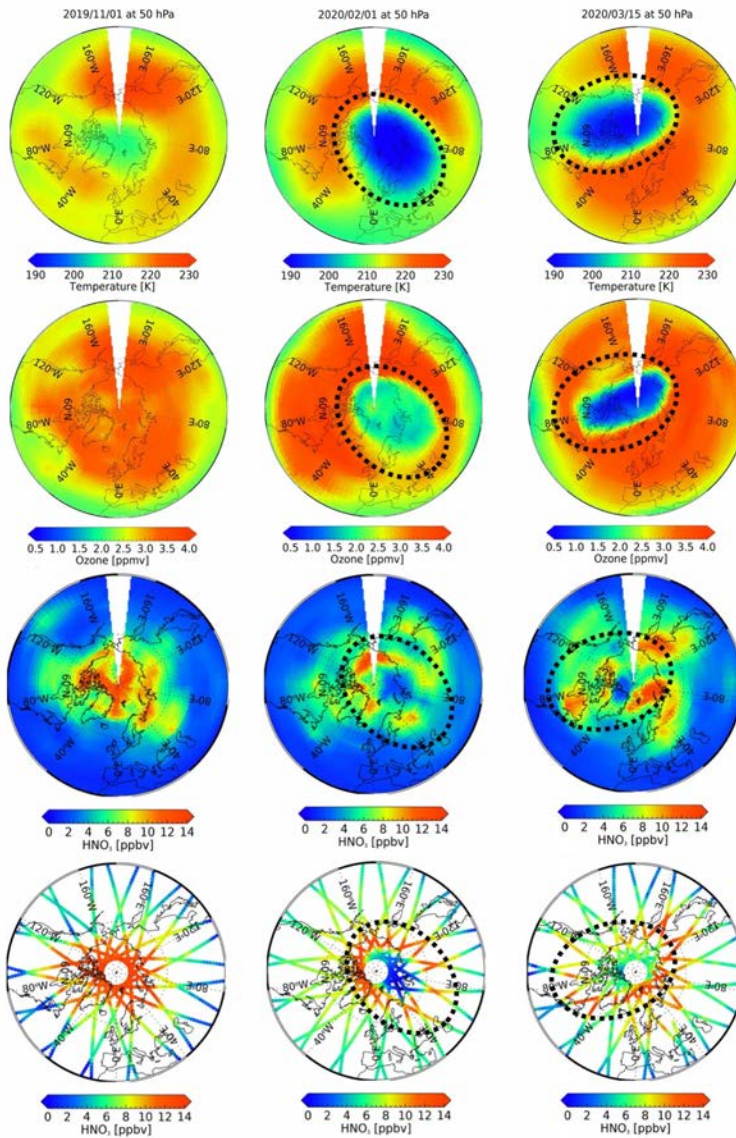
Spectral sensitivity of CrIS (passive infrared) radiance measurements to stratospheric atmospheric variables



Vertical sensitivity of CrIS (passive infrared) radiance measurements to atmospheric variables



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Evolution of Arctic Winter Atmosphere

Temperature

Ozone

Nitric Acid

Nitric Acid

MLS
Microwave
Limb Sounder



2. Observation Availability and Documentation



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CLIMCAPS

CLIMCAPS V2 Level 2 products now available for full SNPP+JPSS-1 record

16 Matching Datasets

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Sounder SIPS: JPSS-1 CrIS Level 2
CLIMCAPS: Cloud Cleared Radiances V2 at
GES DISC

SNDRJ1IML2CCPCCR v2

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CLIMCAPS: Atmosphere cloud and
surface geophysical state V2 at GES
DISC

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Sounder SIPS: Suomi NPP CrIMSS Level 2
CLIMCAPS Full Spectral Resolution: Cloud
Cleared Radiances V2 at GES DISC

SNDRSNIML2CCPCCR v2

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JPSS-1 DOI: [10.5067/LESQUBLWS18H](https://doi.org/10.5067/LESQUBLWS18H)
S-NPP DOI: [10.5067/62SPJFQW5Q9B](https://doi.org/10.5067/62SPJFQW5Q9B)

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1. How can I access CLIMCAPS CH₄ retrievals?

CLIMCAPS CH₄ retrievals are part of the main Level 2 product file that is generated and archived by the NASA Goddard Earth Sciences Data and Information Services Center (DISC); <https://disc.gsfc.nasa.gov/>.

2. Which retrievals should I avoid?

Generally, avoid using CLIMCAPS CH₄ retrievals in the boundary layer, upper troposphere and lower stratosphere because CLIMCAPS has very low sensitivity to CH₄ at pressures greater than ~700 hPa. The CLIMCAPS product file has a range of quality control indices and metrics. CLIMCAPS does not have quality control metrics specifically set up for CH₄ but instead adopts the logic that if retrievals of temperature and H₂O fail (usually due to cloud fields), then CH₄ should also be considered a failed retrieval. CLIMCAPS re-retrieves CH₄ after it retrieves temperature, H₂O, O₃, HNO₃ and CO. You can customize the quality filters according to different sources of uncertainty, such as those associated with the retrieval scene, instrumentation, background state or algorithm metrics. The most valuable metric to consider is the CH₄ degrees of freedom discussed below.

3. How do I interpret the spatial variability of daily CH₄ retrievals?

The 1300 cm⁻¹ wavenumber range has strong absorption features for both CH₄ and

<https://airs-guide.jpl.nasa.gov/>

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