

# A GEO Venture Class tropospheric O<sub>3</sub> and HCHO measurement concept based on the TIMS

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The USA National Research Council Decadal Survey (NRCDS) Report for Earth Science :

- describes requirements for improved atmospheric measurements to gain crucial understanding for air quality, climate change, and weather.
- We are developing compact multi-channel grating mapping spectrometers (GMS) to meet this challenge.

In this presentation we will describe:

- measurements of atmospheric spectra that we have made with a proto-type GMS with  $\lambda/\Delta\lambda = 6000$  in the midwave infrared region. [we refer to the projected space application of this GMS as “TIMS”]
- a potential application in a pathfinder mission for the NRCDS Geostationary Coastal and Air Pollution Events (GEO-CAPE) Mission. It would provide:
  - measurements of column O<sub>3</sub> and HCHO on the Continental USA (CONUS) with
    - hourly refresh and on contiguous double sampled 5 km north-south by 10 km west-east footprints
- Input to the grating mapping spectrometer would be provided by a
  - front end consisting of a scan mirror and telescope with 4.5 cm aperture
  - The scan mirror would west to east pushbroom the slit on a CONUS wide swath in 5 km steps
  - Using 7s per step provides full CONUS coverage with 2-hour refresh
  - The O<sub>3</sub> and HCHO would be retrieved from spectra measured on two regions centered near 3.28 and 3.56  $\mu\text{m}$ , respectively.

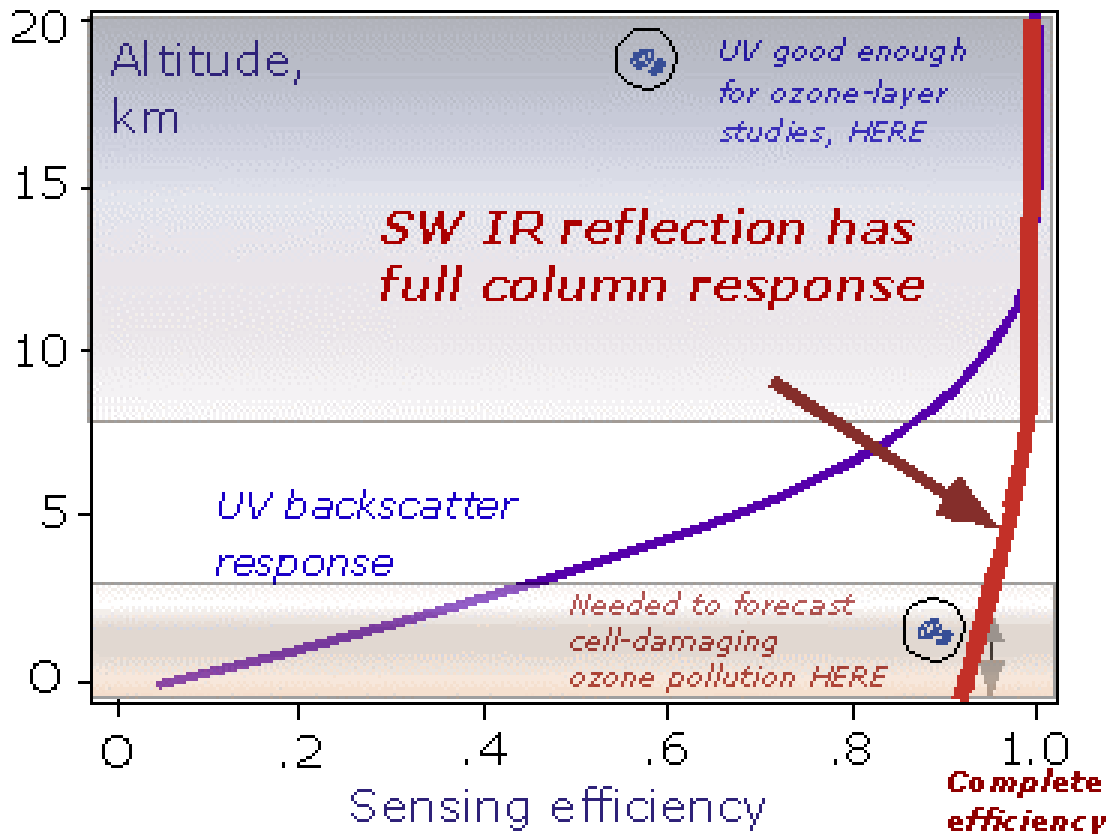
Based on the demonstrated measurement capability of our proto-type GMS

–retrieved O3 column should have precision 1 to 2 % depending on albedo and pollution amount

- but with the added benefit of sensitivity to boundary layer (BL) O3.
- In principle, when combined with the UV measurements, it could provide a measure of the BL O3.

Figure below from P. K. Bhartia, et al,

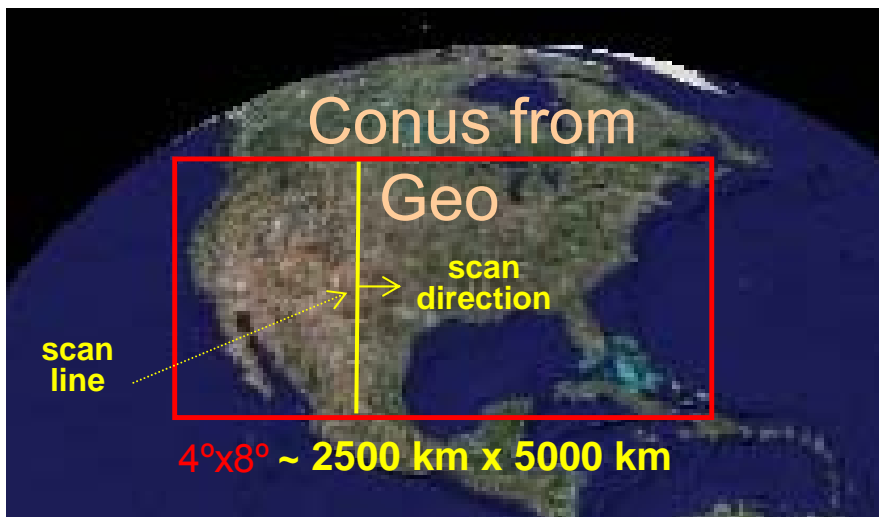
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- Options other than UV include the thermal infrared bands @ 9.6 & 4.7 $\mu$ m
  - » These options are more costly than UV & this is a major consideration for the proposed pathfinder mission
  - » Further more it remains to judge whether these options would be as effective as the UV

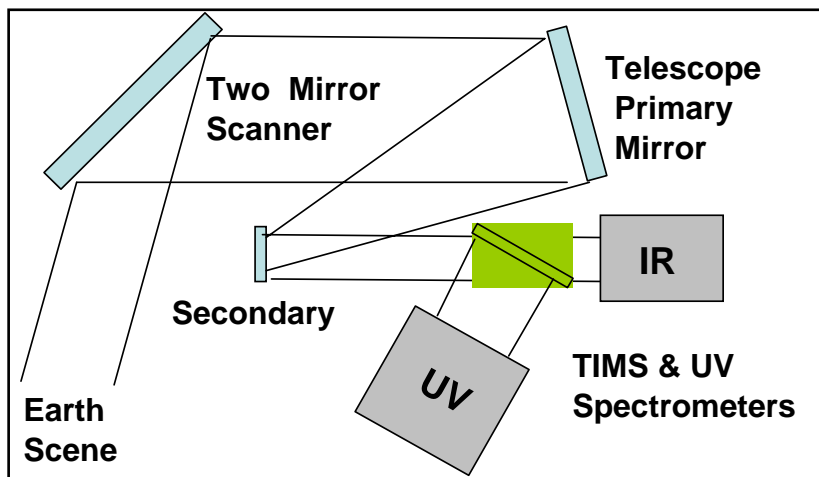
–The HCHO retrieval should have precision 3 to 15 % depending on albedo and pollution amount Slide 2

# Geo measurement approach & spectral regions

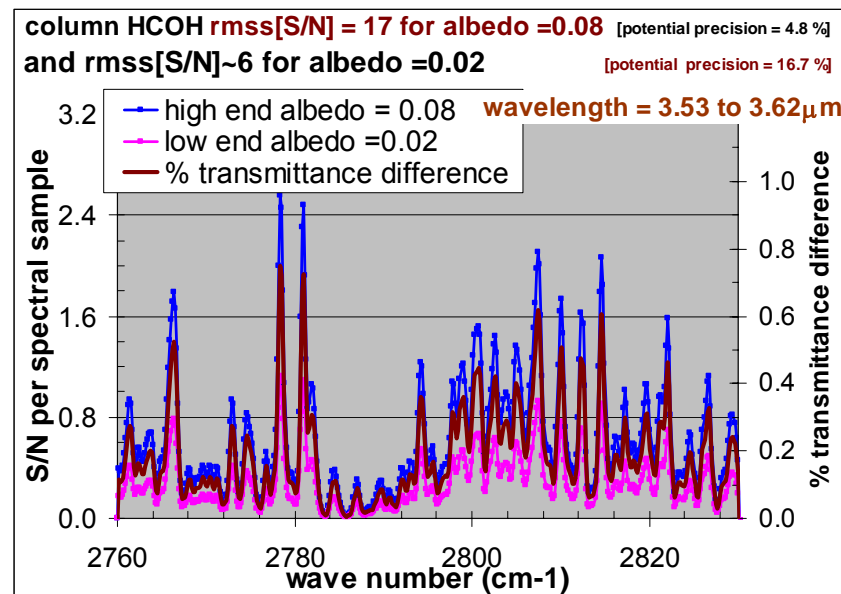
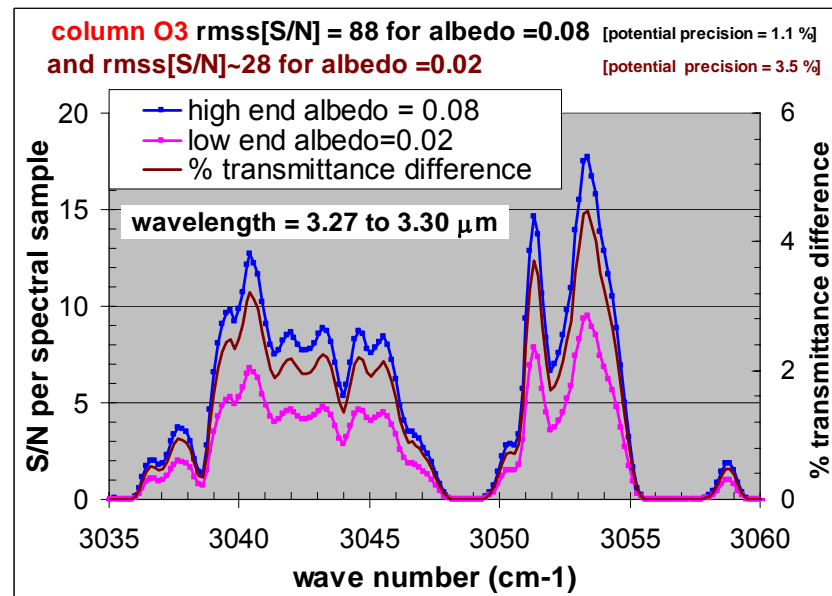


- 512 pixels along the scan line & 2 pixel slit width
- Smallest footprint (ELF) is 5 km NS x 10 km WE
- 1000 5 km steps provide complete CONUS scan in 2 hours using 7s integration per step

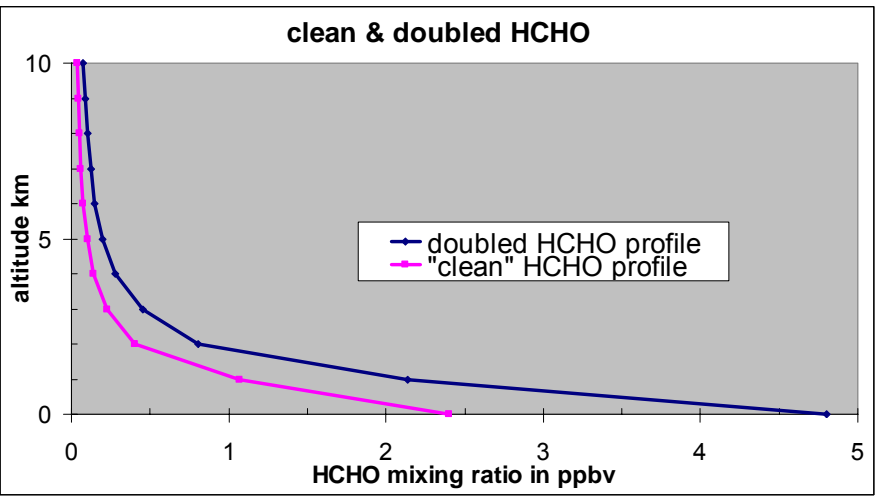
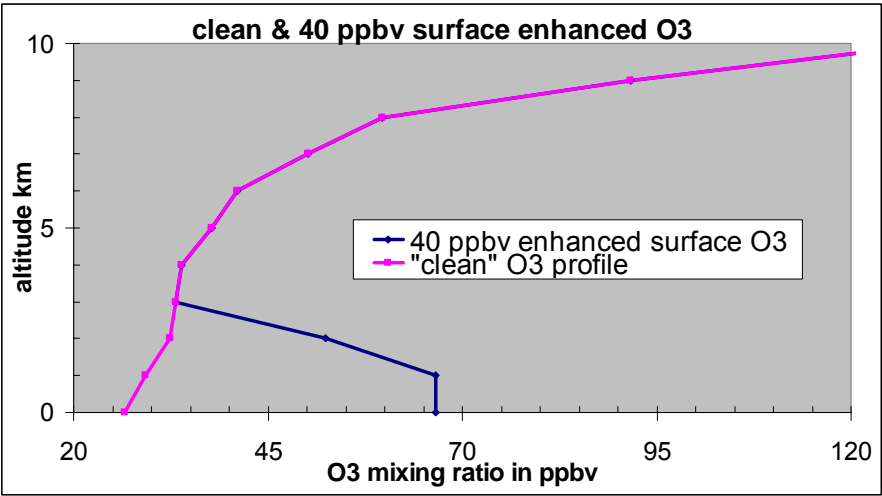
Below: schematic of geo deployed tropospheric infrared mapping spectrometer TIMS, and UV mapping spectrometer. A 4.5 cm aperture is required.



Plots below of S/N per sample on a 5 x 5 km footprint and the transmittance difference in units %



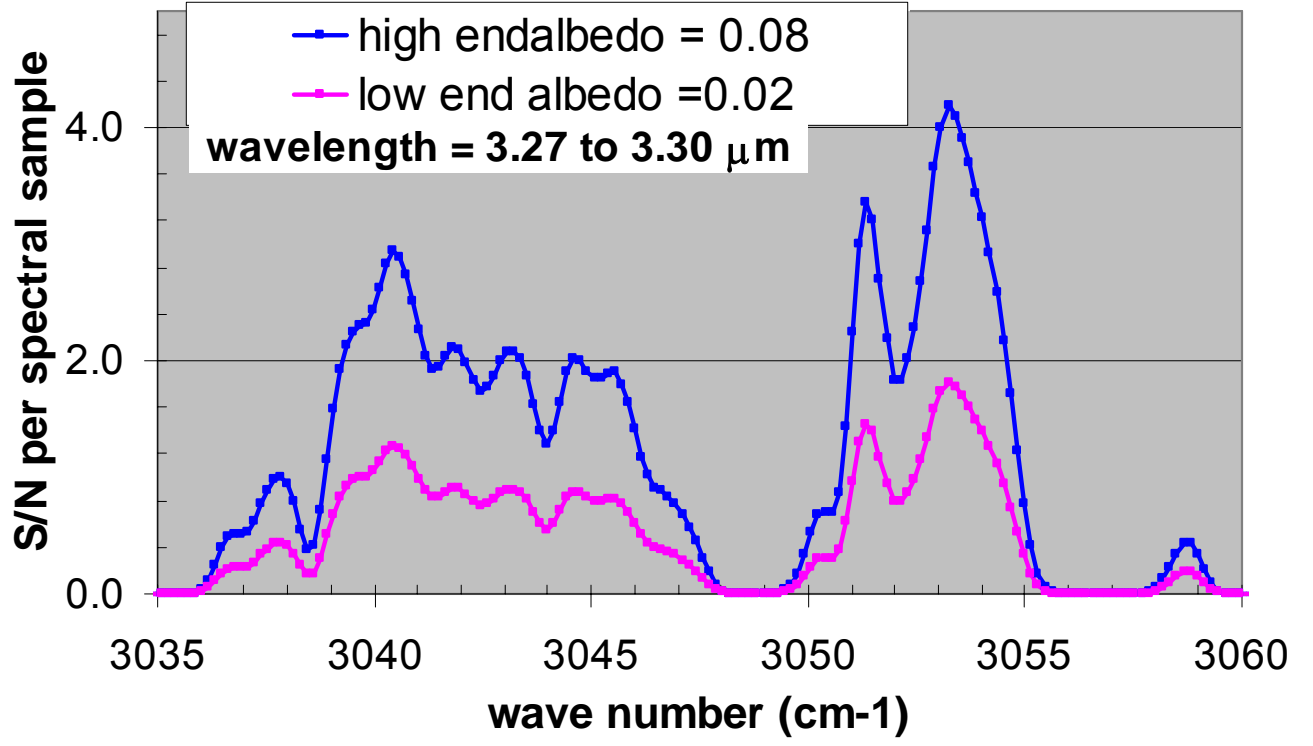
# O3 & HCHO, the clean models are from the on line GATS browser



# rmss[S/N] for 40 ppbv surface enhanced O3 on large aggregated footprints

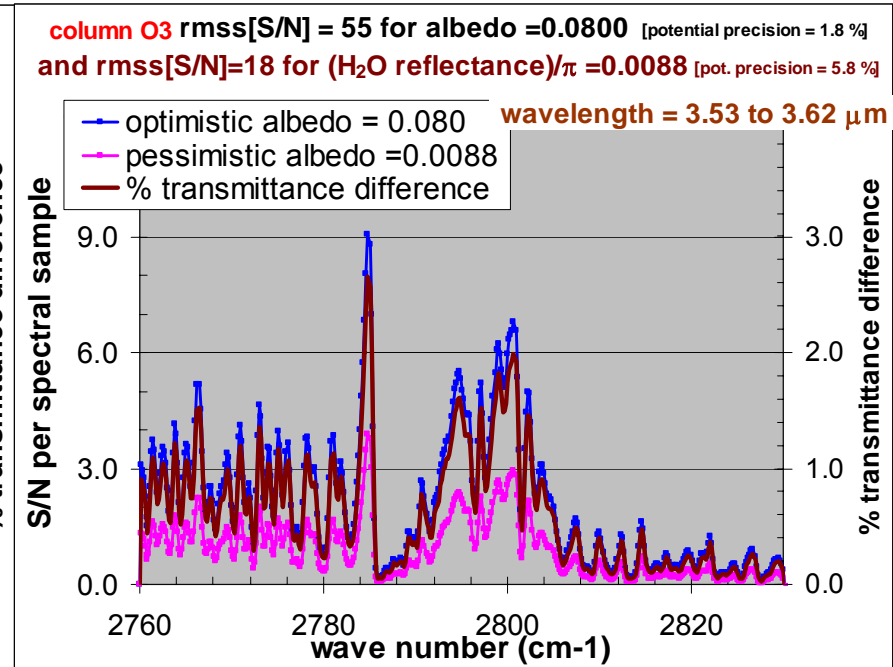
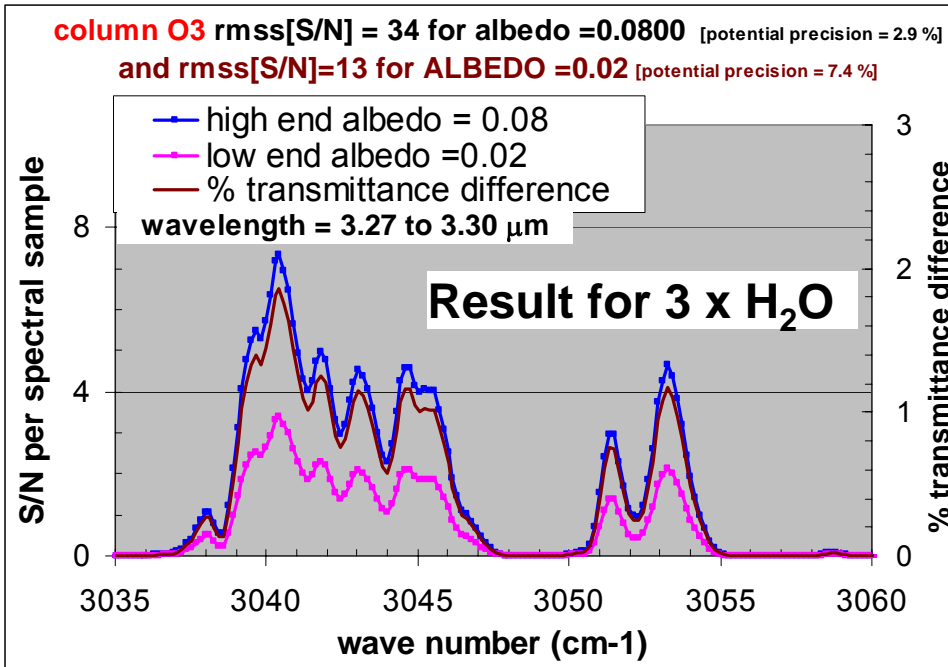
albedo	50 x 50 km AG-footprint		25 x 25 km AG-footprint	
	rmss(S/N)	"precision"	rmss(S/N)	"precision"
0.080	20.8	4.8	10.4	9.6
0.020	8.2	12.2	4.1	24.4

**surface O<sub>3</sub> sensitivity on 50 x 50 km aggregated footprints**  
**+ 40 ppbv O<sub>3</sub> rmss[S/N] = 20.8 for albedo = 0.08** [potential precision = 4.8 %]  
**& rmss[S/N]=8.2 for albedo = 0.02** [potential precision = 12.2 %]



# O3 total column on double sampled 5 km x 10 km footprints in wet atmospheres & at 3.6 $\mu\text{m}$

- From above for the 3.3  $\mu\text{m}$  region and for a standard atmosphere the total O3 can be retrieved at 1 to 3 % precision, depending on albedo, here we investigate
  - The effects in the 3.3  $\mu\text{m}$  region of tripling the atmospheric H2O content
    - The total O3 column precision is degraded to 3 to 7%, depending on albedo
  - The total O3 column precision obtained from the data in the 3.6  $\mu\text{m}$  region that is relatively insensitive to atmospheric H2O content
    - This turns out to be the order 2 to 6 % precision, depending on albedo
- Data simultaneously obtained in the *two regions* will together provide the order 1.5 to 4.6 % precision



# Summary and conclusions

From Geostationary deployment it is important to diurnally map O<sub>3</sub> and HCHO column in the CONUS with

- footprints the order 5 to 10 km and with a two hour refresh

**It is most important to sense O<sub>3</sub> in the boundary layer**

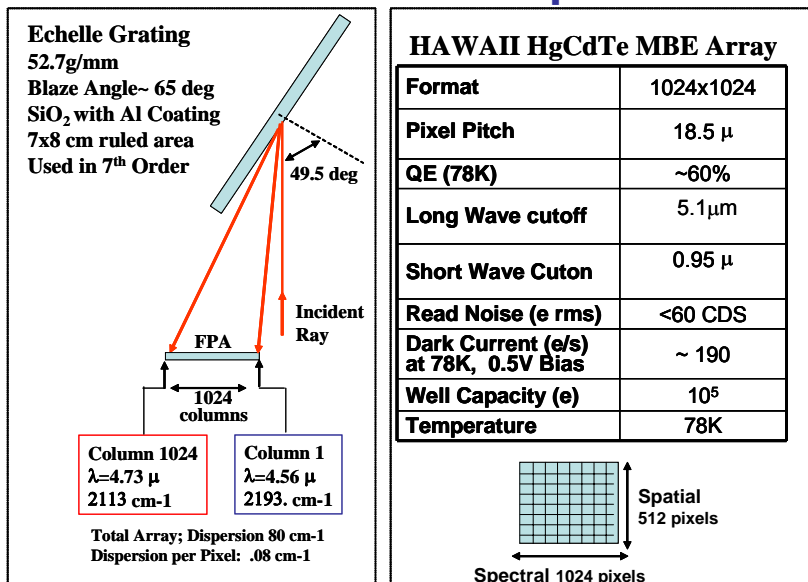
We have demonstrated a tropospheric infrared mapping spectrometer (TIMS) lab demonstration grating mapping spectrometer GMS that when operated in the reflective SWIR address these requirements and provide measurements of

- O<sub>3</sub> column the order 1.5 to 4.6 % precision on double sampled 5 km NS by 10 km WE footprints with 2 hour refresh **and with S/N the order 5 to 12 % for 40 ppbv near surface enhanced O<sub>3</sub> on 50 x 50 km footprints**
- Together with O<sub>3</sub> retrieved from UV, the two measurements can provide a measure of the BL O<sub>3</sub>
- The geo deployed TIMS would also provide HCHO measurements with precision the order 5 to 17 % and intrinsically better than in the UV

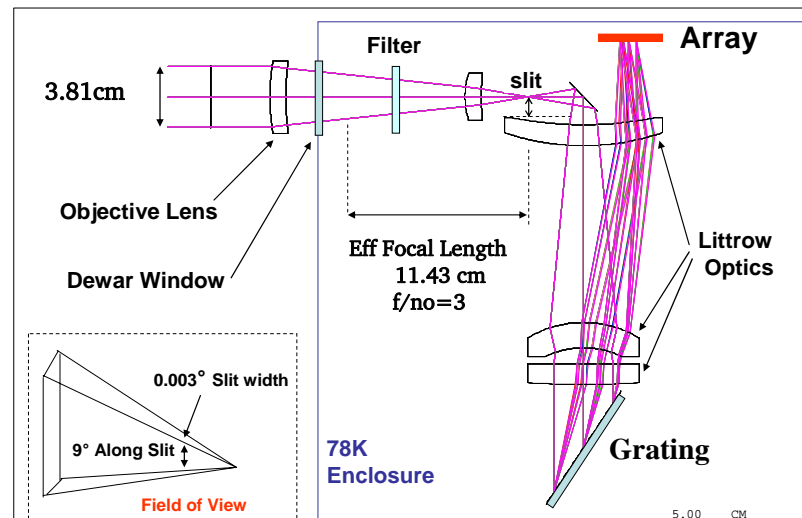
Next we discuss our laboratory demonstration (**Lab Demo**) grating mapping spectrometer that these performance estimated are based upon

# Lab Demo GMS description

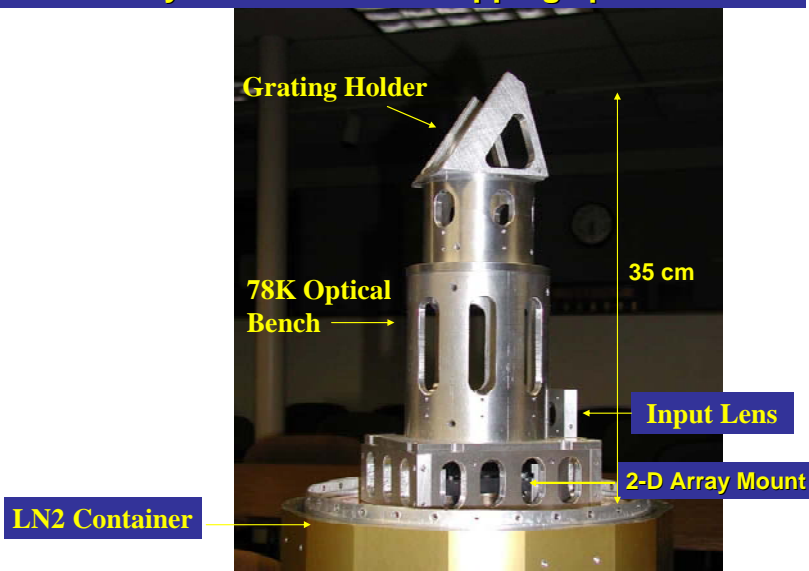
## The Basic Technique



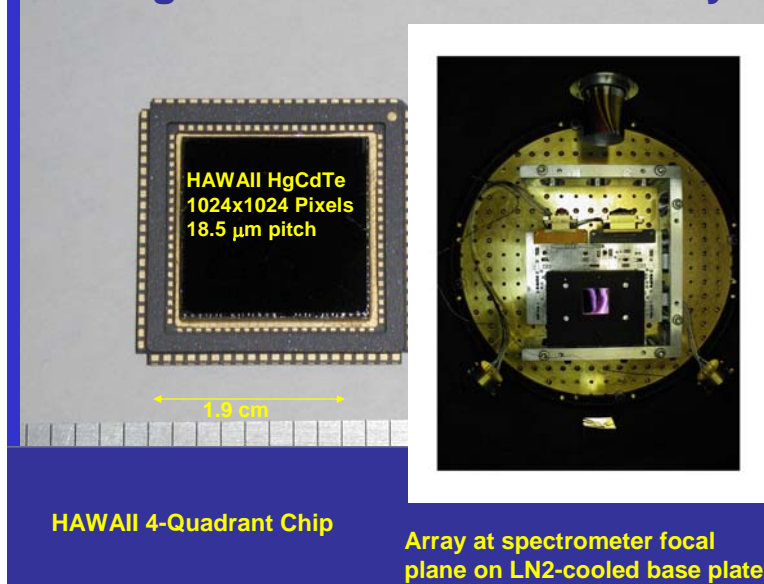
## Laboratory demonstration grating mapping spectrometer (GMS) Optical schematic



## Laboratory demonstration mapping spectrometer

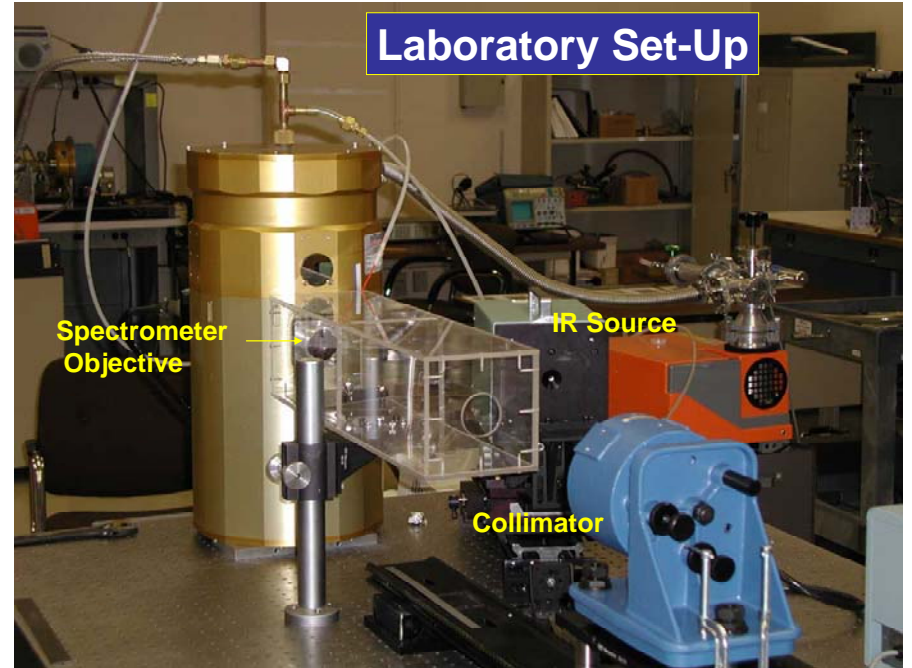
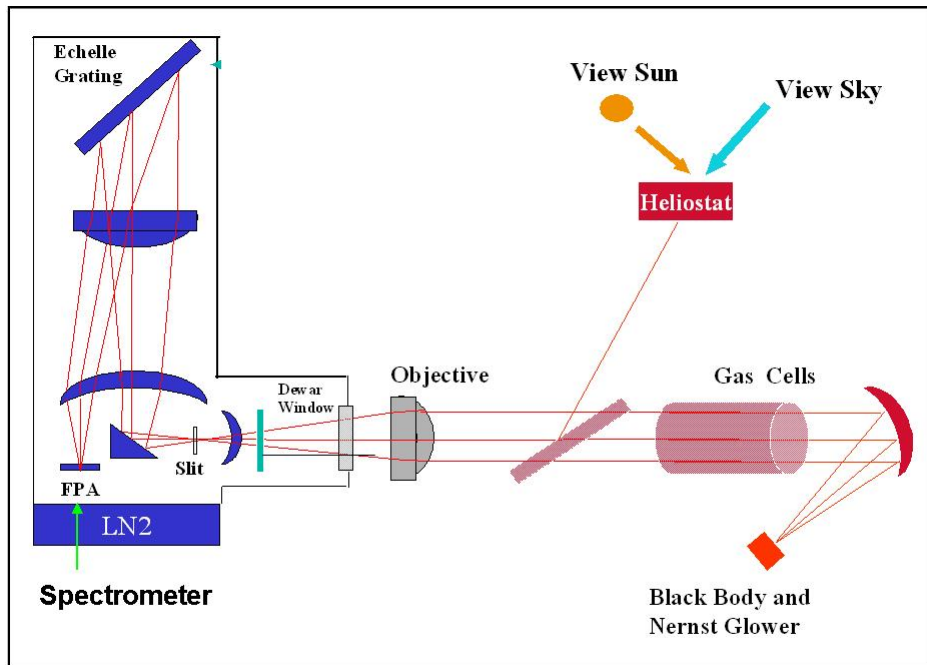


## Large Format 2-D Infrared Array



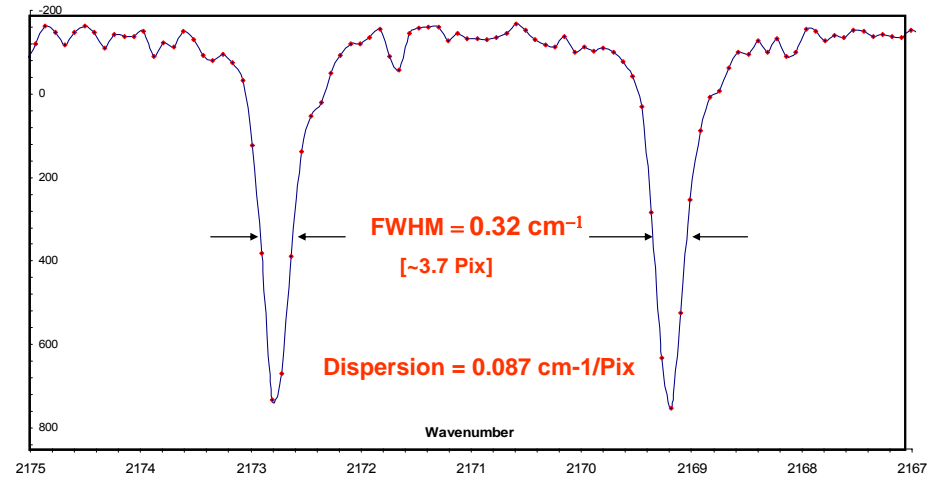
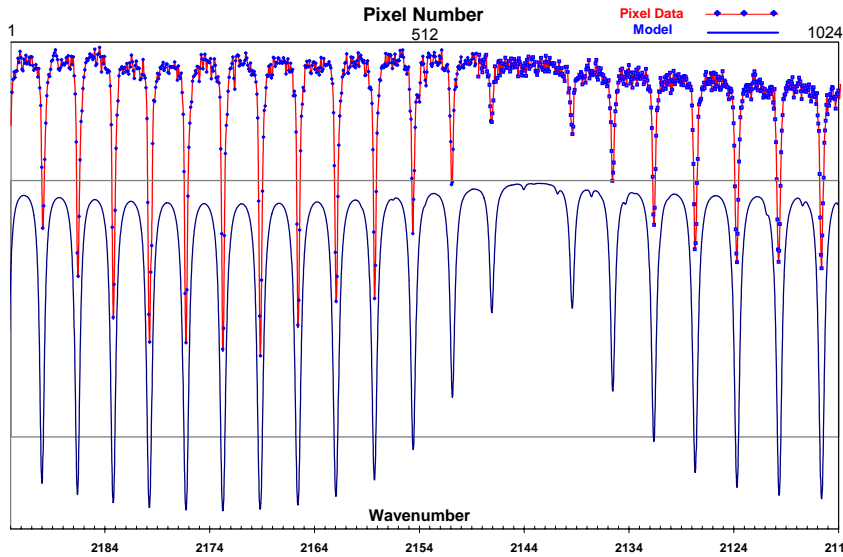


# Lab Demo GMS test setup



# Lab Demo GMS performance, gas cell absorption & noise

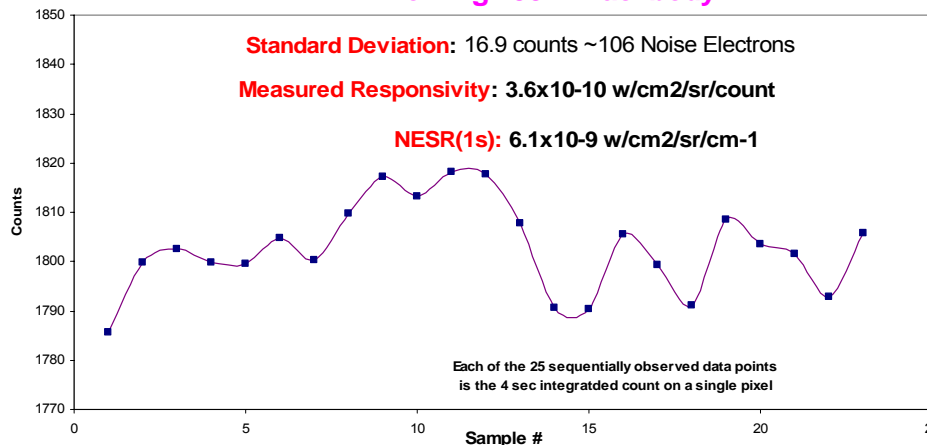
## Spectral Calibration Using CO Absorption Cell Data    Assessing Spectral Line Shape Using CO absorption lines



Design Prediction: FWHM ~ 0.28 cm<sup>-1</sup> for 60 μm Slit

### Sensitivity Performance

Viewing 293K Blackbody



Extrapolated to Flight design for single pixel

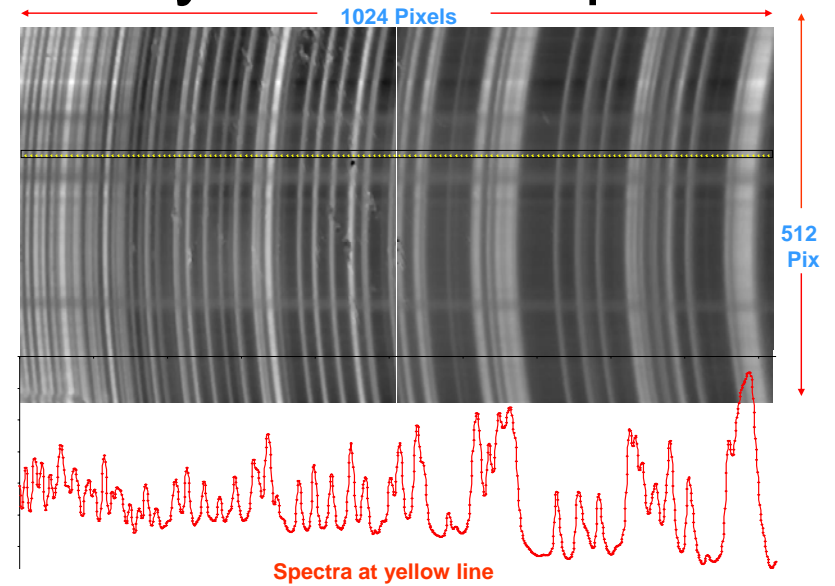
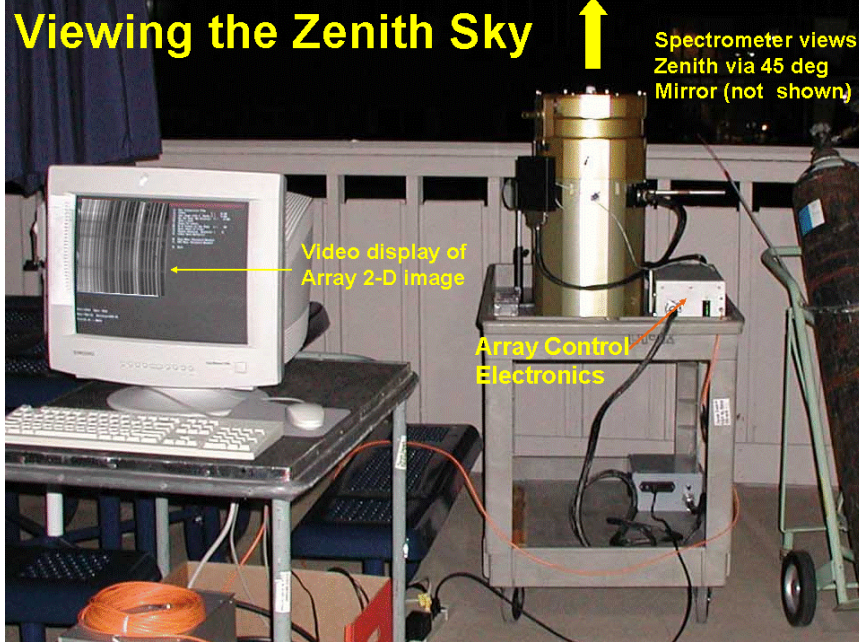
NESR 1.1x10<sup>-9</sup>

Extrapolated to Flight design for 36 pix aggregated footprint

NESR 1.8x10<sup>-10</sup>

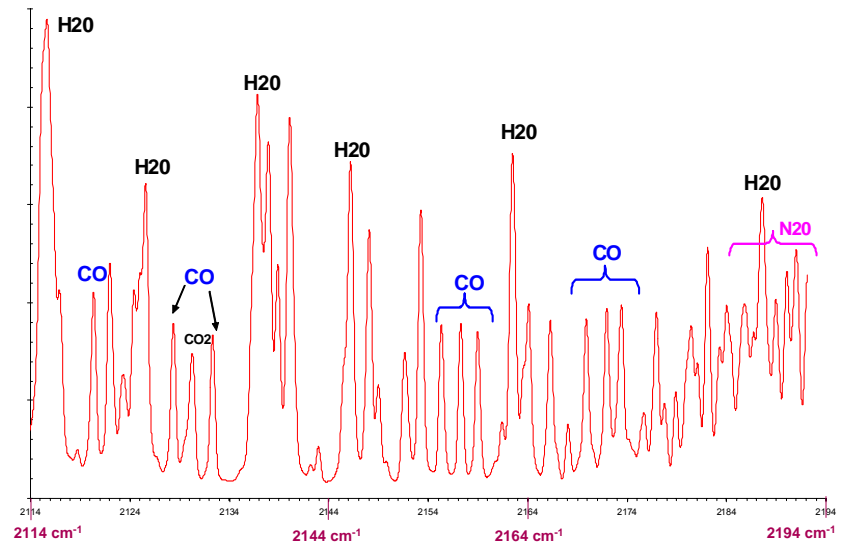
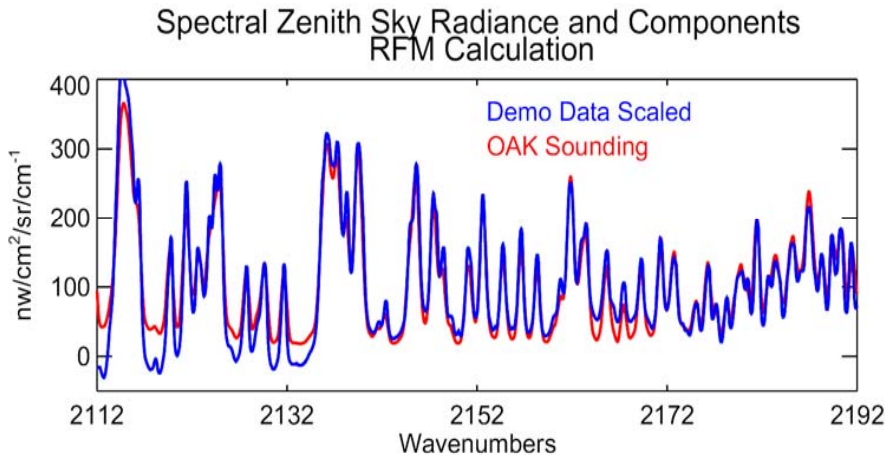
• This observed noise performance is consistent with our noise performance model. Therefore the model can be used with confidence to extrapolate to the SWIR conceptual flight design. The S/N estimates presented above on slides 3 to 7 are based on that extrapolation of these data.

# Lab Demo GMS performance sky emission spectra



2-Quadrant Image of Zenith SKY IR Emission Spectra

A First-Order Fit to the Data



Identification of atmospheric emission spectral features in the lab demo measurement range from ~ 4.56 to 4.73 μm

# Concept for geo SWIR application using the Lab Demo

To achieve the measurements as discussed on slides 1 through 7 above the demo GMS would be used for the IR spectrometer component (slide 3)

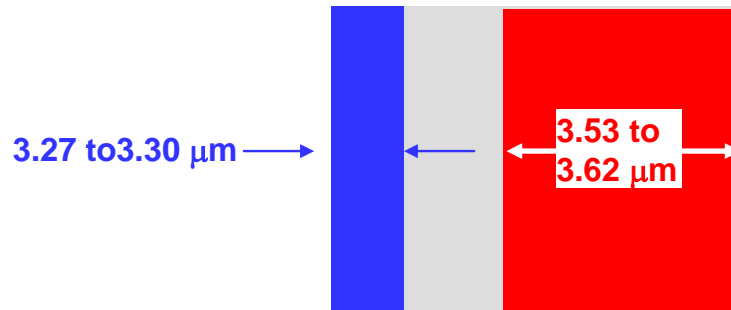
–It would have two slits for the 3.27 – 3.30, and the 3.53 to 3.62  $\mu\text{m}$  regions, respectively

–These would be

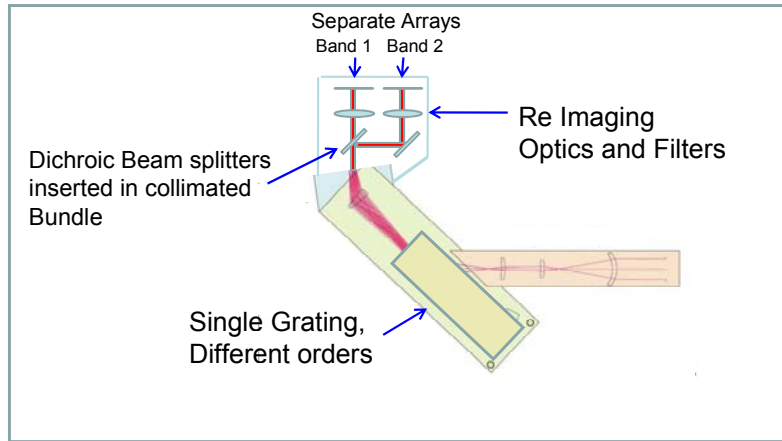
- in the orders 9 and 8, respectively of the demo grating (slide 8)

- directed to separated regions on the focal plane as shown schematically below

–Separate order sorting filters for each would either be mounted on the respective slits, or on the focal plane, TBD



# The IIP VSWIR design is an attractive option to the Lab Demo design

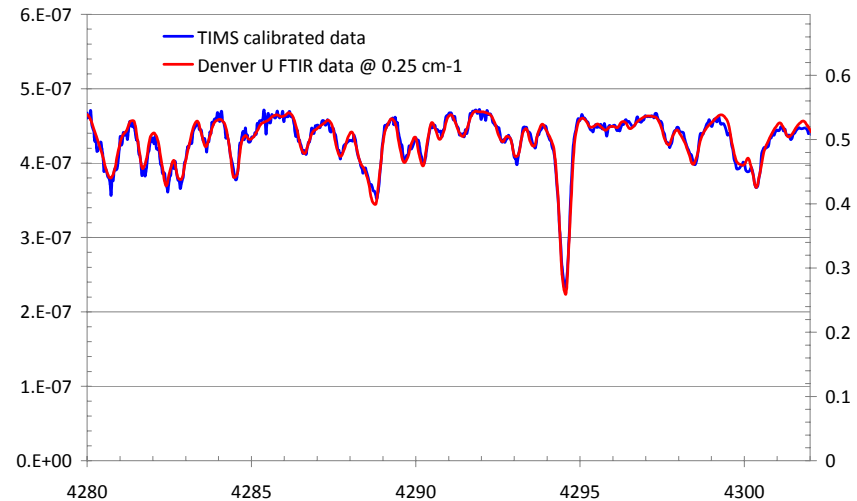


The IIP VSWIR design facilitates multiple channel measurements by utilizing

- a beam splitter in the re-imaging arm
- Sorting different grating orders in each branch
- A detector array per branch

The IIP VSWIR design has been demonstrated:

- To the right, note the validation of calibrated VSWIR data against the Denver University FTIR data



Trade off advantages of the IIP design include

- Utilization of entire [both arrays], rather than just  $\frac{1}{2}$  of HAWAII 1rg, as does the Demo based design
- Spectral resolution improved by a factor two, improved spatial resolution
- Requires a factor two larger aperture, therefore S/N increases by a factor two

**Trade off disadvantage of the IIP design**

- Increased complexity and therefore cost

# estimates for emissivity near 3.3 & 3.6 $\mu\text{m}$ (1 of 3)

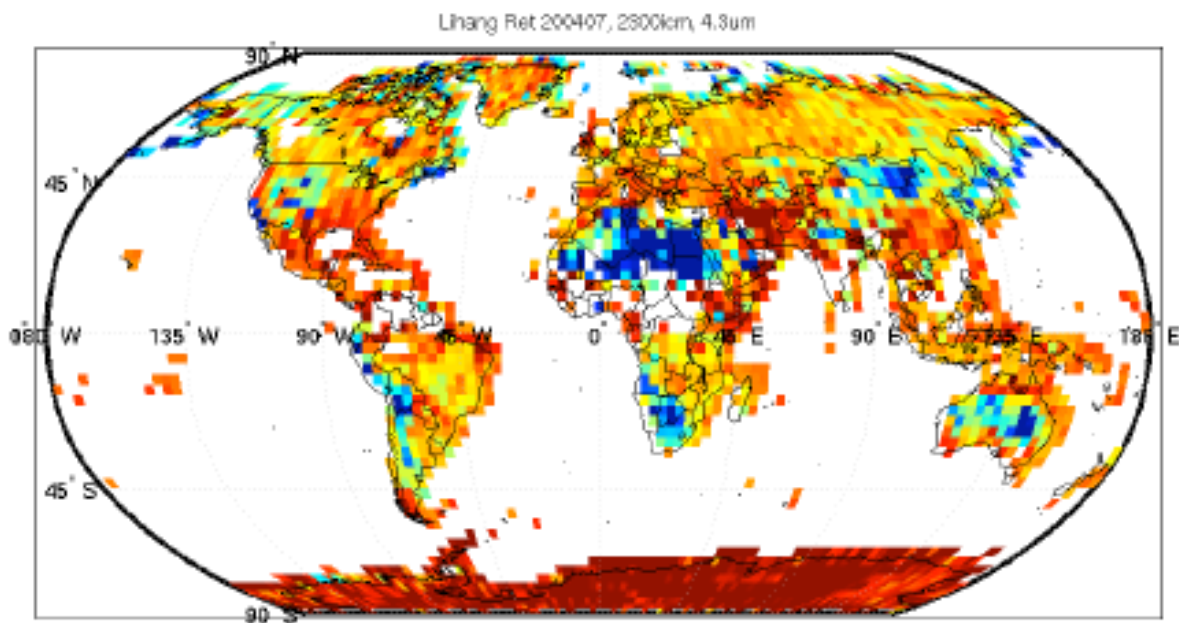
AIRS Land Surface  
Temperature and Infrared  
Emissivity Validation

Bob Knuteson, Leslie Moy,  
Hank Revercomb, Dave Tobin

University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Space Science and Engineering Center (SSEC)  
Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies

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Barnet Physical  
4.34  $\mu\text{m}$  ( $2300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ )



approximate that albedo = 1 - emissivity, then

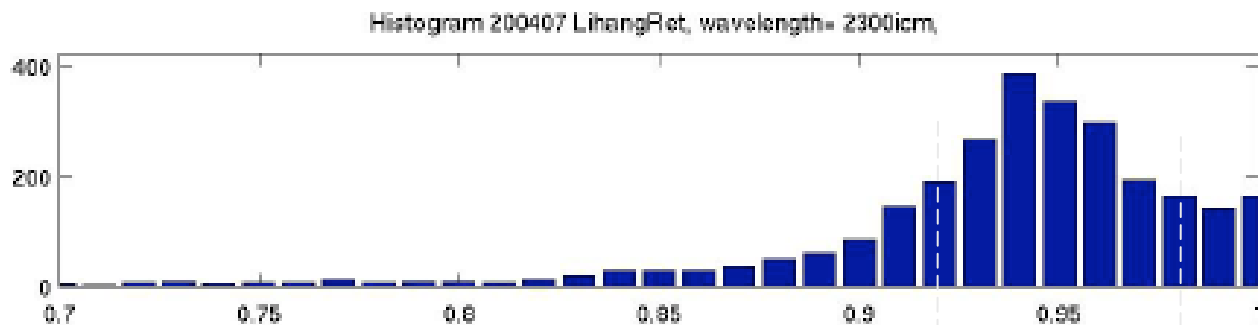
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Albedo  
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Albedo  
~ 0.02

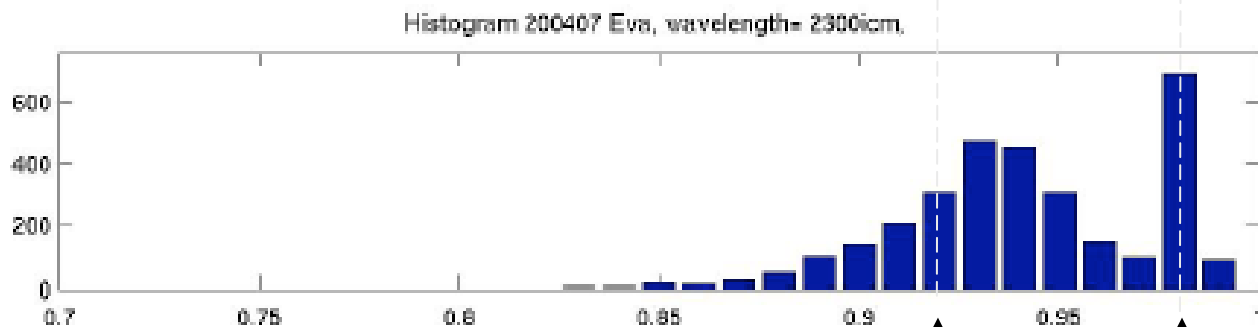
# estimates for emissivity near 3.3 & 3.6 um (2 of 3)

## Barnet Physical, 4.34um

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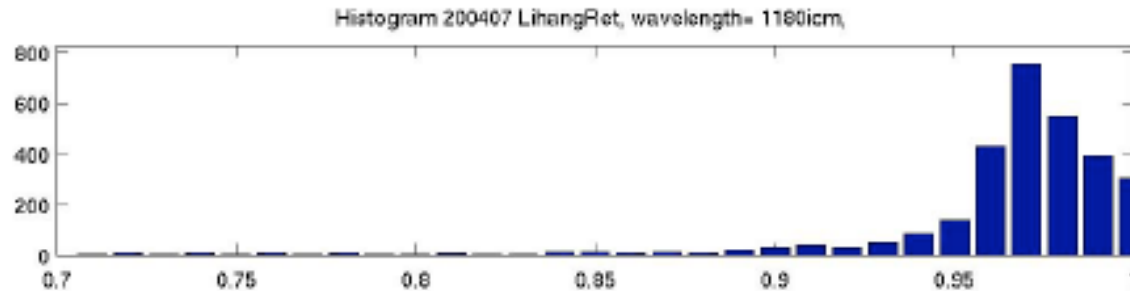
Albedo  
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# estimates for emissivity near 3.3 & 3.6 $\mu\text{m}$ (3 of 3)

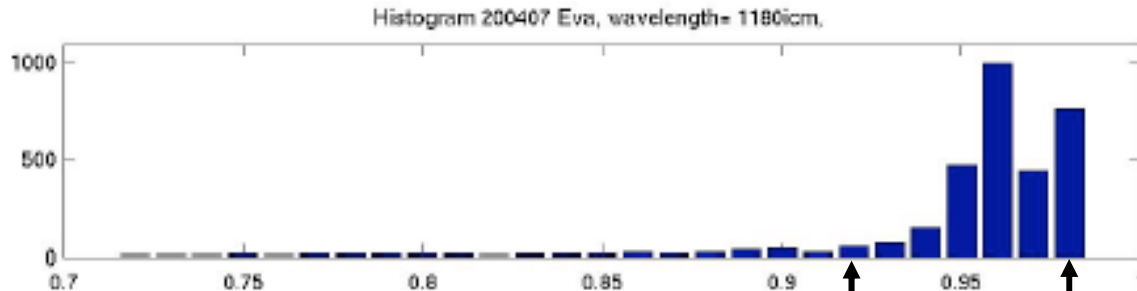
- illustrates trend to smaller albedos at larger wavelengths
- assuming this holds on going from 4.3 to 3.3 – 3.6  $\mu\text{m}$ , then the large majority of the albedo in the latter region will be  $> 0.02$ , and a significant fraction will be  $> 0.08$

## Barnet Physical, 8.5 $\mu\text{m}$

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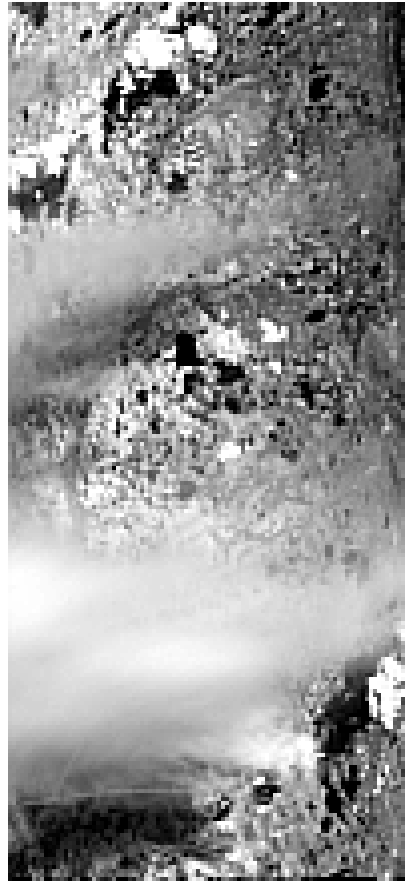
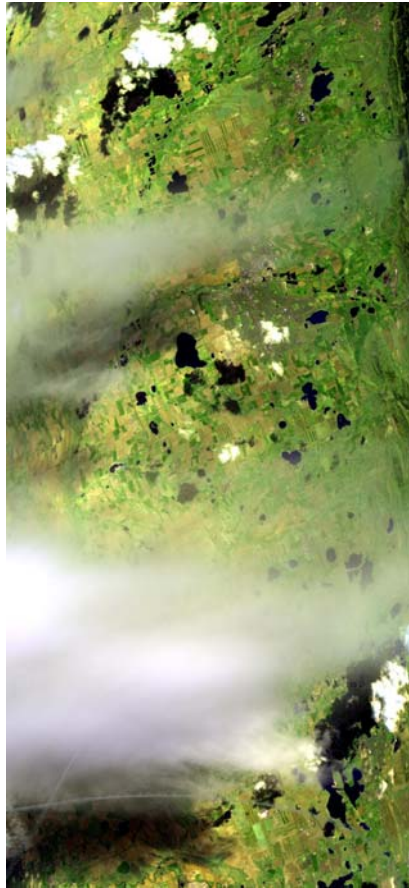
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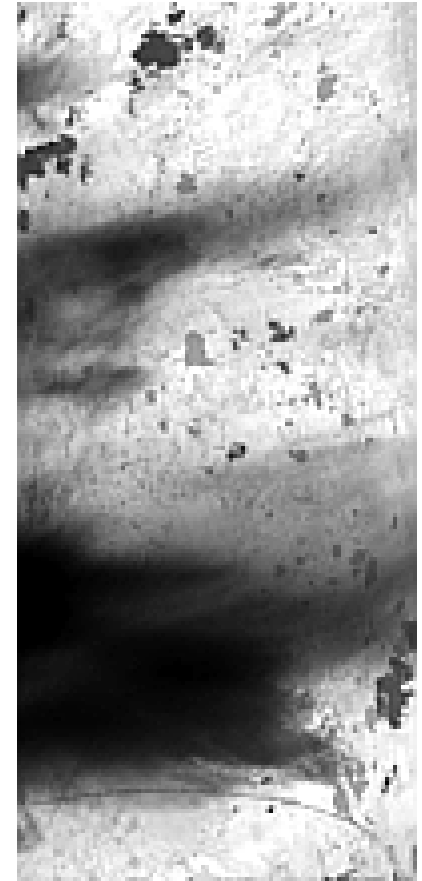
# MAS images VIS, 2.10, 3.35 and 11.04 $\mu\text{m}$



# 19 = 2.10  $\mu\text{m}$



# 29 = 3.35  $\mu\text{m}$



# 45 = 11.04  $\mu\text{m}$