Progress in using ground-based GPS-met total precipitable water for cal/val of both product data and satellite retrievals

and other activities

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Overview

- Operational Products
 - Validation of current products (stems back to prior talks and presentations on performance of GOES TPW since 2002.
 - Detection of GOES sensor problems
 - Model first guess assessment
- Model interface
 - New metrics for microphysics assessment in models
 - Pathway for direct (including cloudy) radiance assimilation
- CRTM Applications

Operational Products - validation



Operational Products – first guess



Recommend fixing GFS or using different model for background like the NAM for CONUS retrievals.

Also consider using GPS data in retrieval processing as a constraint

GFS used for satellite retrieval initialization

Model Interface – metrics for microphysics



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Microphysics metrics from simulated imagery



12 HOUR BRIGHTNESS TEMPERATURE CUMULATIVE PERCENTAGE

290

300

Model Interface – pathway for DA



Modeled



Observed





CRTM checkout – K-Matrix

Manual partial derivative computed Jacobian for temperature @ 662 hPa

CRTM Version 2 K-Matrix result









For the low-levels the thermal Jacobians and K-matrix <u>results look very</u> <u>reasonable</u>. We are seeing some <u>differences at the 100 hPa level</u> where the standard atmosphere is spliced into the lower-level, model produced profile. Water and ozone gas concentration perturbations are under study.

Soon will be working with CRTM v.2 visible

- Currently, DA work with CRTM version 2 IR/MW.
- IR (GOES channels) and AVHRR microwave channels working well.
- Plans to begin examining visible data (GOES) since these are actively used in our cloud analysis (has been since 1990).
- Hope to have more of this at the AMS satellite conference.

Enhanced use of mesoscale satellite cloud image data in DA

- Probably one of the most under-utilized data sets in current GOES
- Current variational minimization has been disabled since HMT last spring due to overhumidification of LAPS moisture.
- Modification of the functional to use only in stratus cloud-typed areas, convective clouds caused problems

Modification of DA functional to revisit cloud humidity enhancement – emphasis on scale, and cloud type



Cloud utilization enhancement

- LAPS system is now at 1km running 15min cycles
- Will be able to utilize full potential of satellite imagery (including visible)
- Being incorporated into STMAS and the GSI component within STMAS
- Wish to share with NCEP and others when complete (GSI elements)

Summary – areas of desired interaction

- Cloudy data assimilation
- CRTM validation with case studies
- Model microphysics validation and improvements to either the physics or CRTM
- Share strategic approaches on cloudy DA with GSI developers
- Utilize visible cloud data in analysis to a greater degree than we currently do