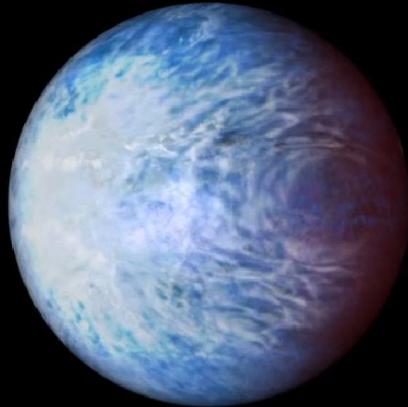


Socrates: correlated- k methods

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CKDMIP Workshop, 8/9/20



Socrates: Suite Of Community RAdiative Transfer codes based on Edwards & Slingo

- Two-stream code used in Met Office GCMs
- Spherical harmonics radiance code
- Correlated-k code: calculate optimal k-terms
- Mie scattering code: calculate droplet optical properties

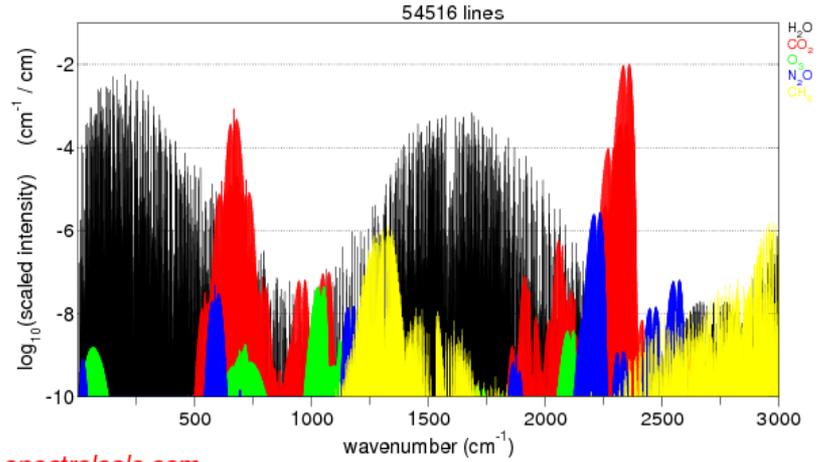
Flexible configuration: spectral files

Spectral bands: high / low resolution

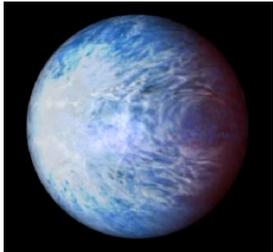
Gas *k*-terms

Aerosol / cloud optical properties

Solar spectrum (including time variation) etc.



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Hot Jupiters



Mars

Many configurations can be run

HadCM3

HadGEM1

HadGEM2

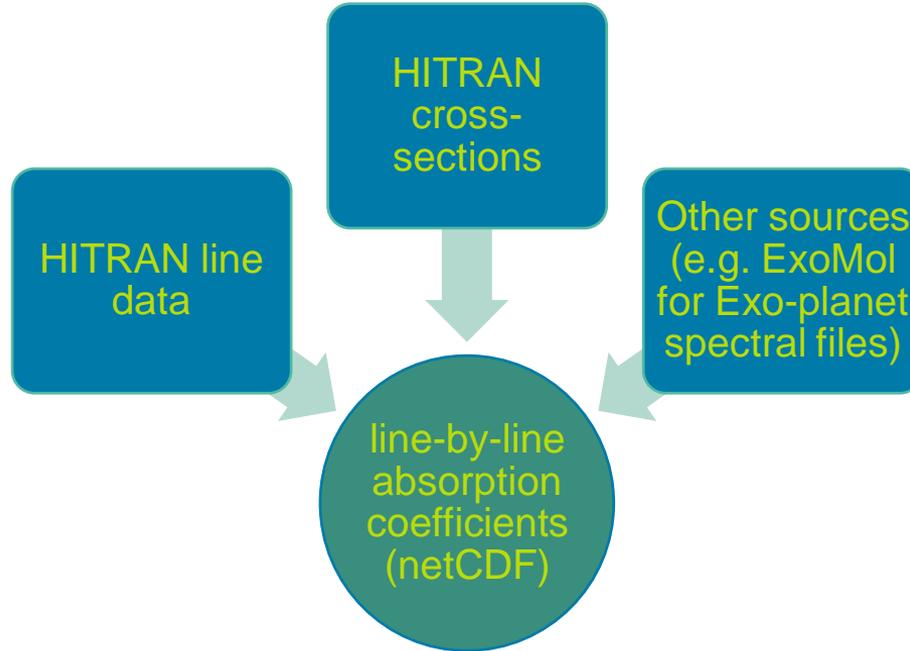
GA3

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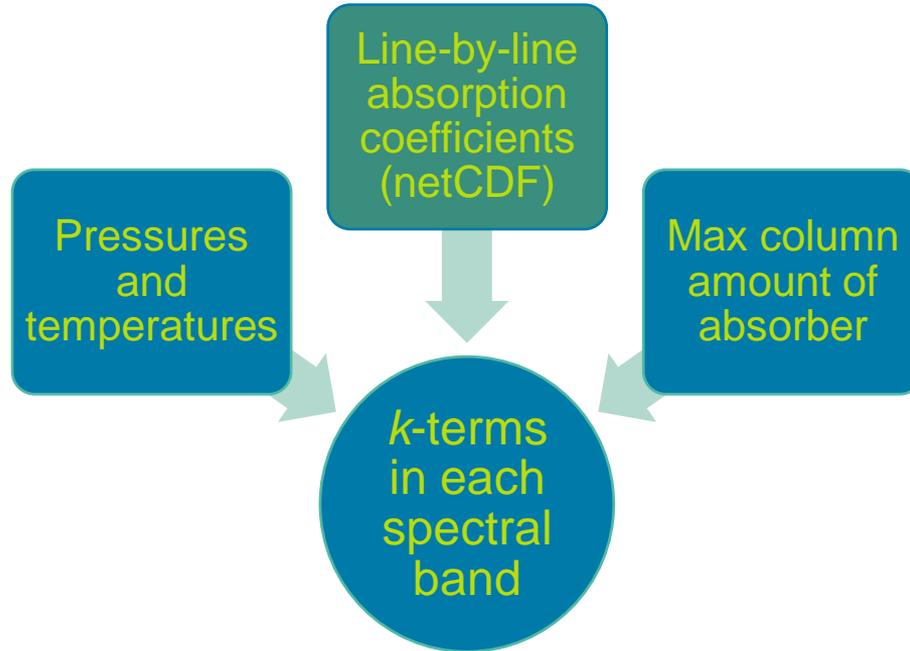
300 band LW / 260 band SW



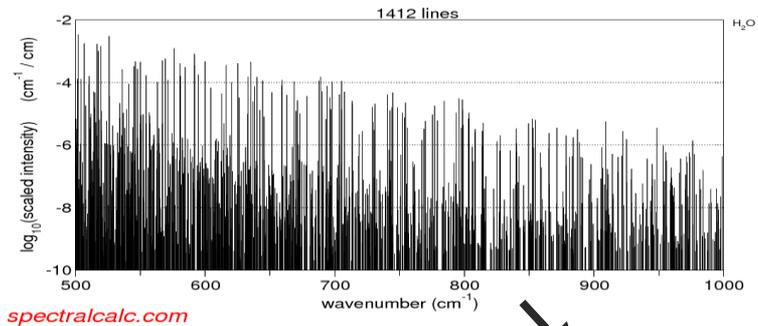
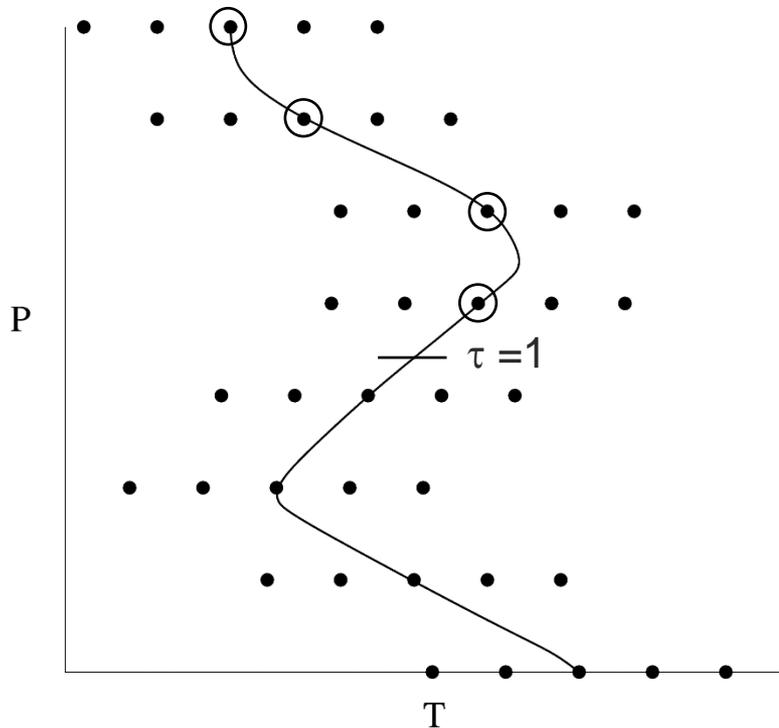
Stage 1: generate line-by-line absorption coefficients



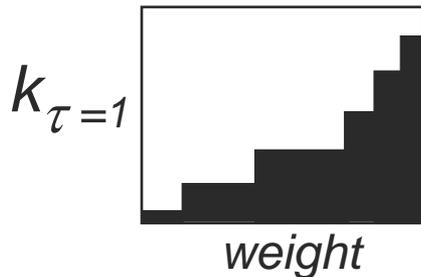
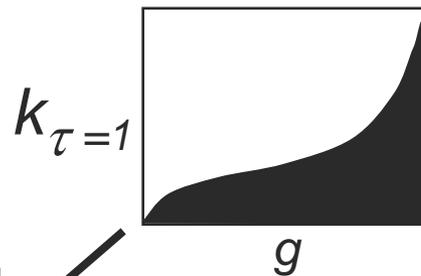
Stage 2:
generate k-terms separately for each gas



Optimal selection of k-term weights



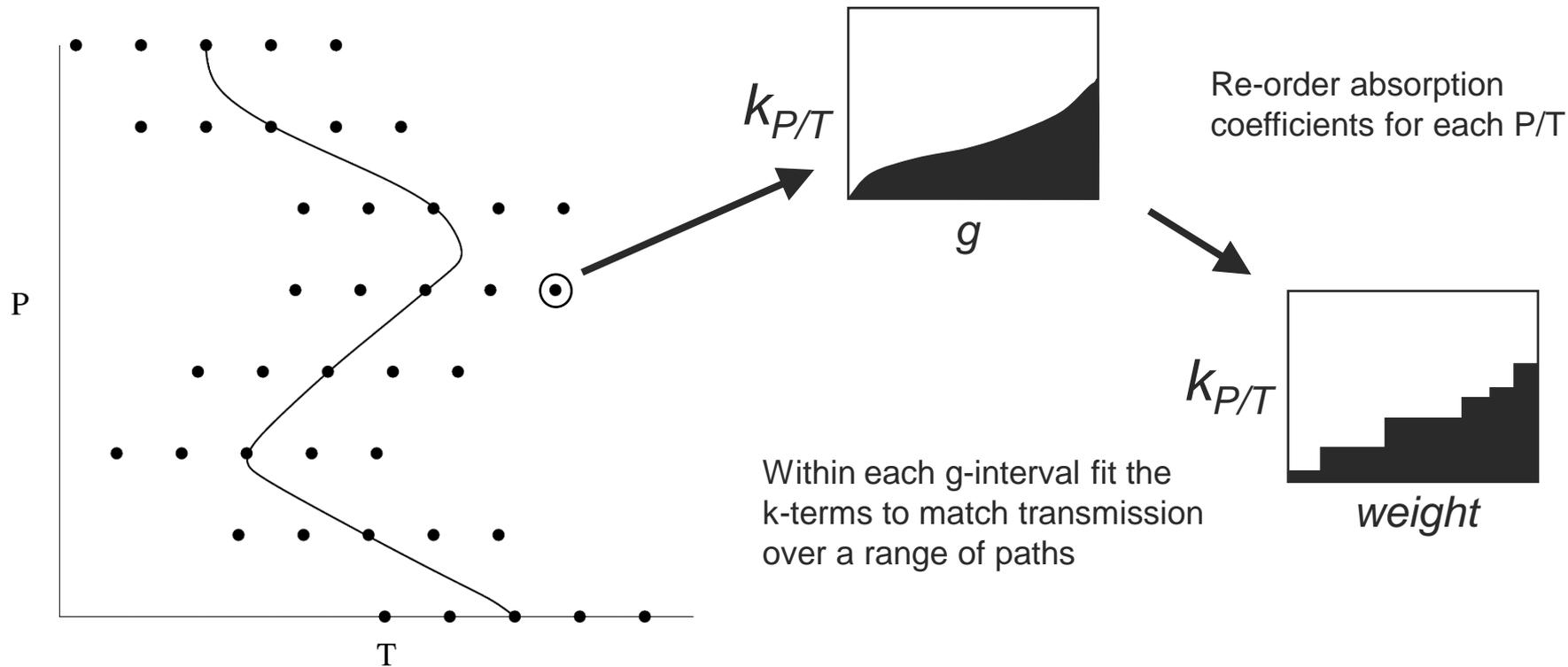
Effective absorption coefficient for column down to $\tau=1$



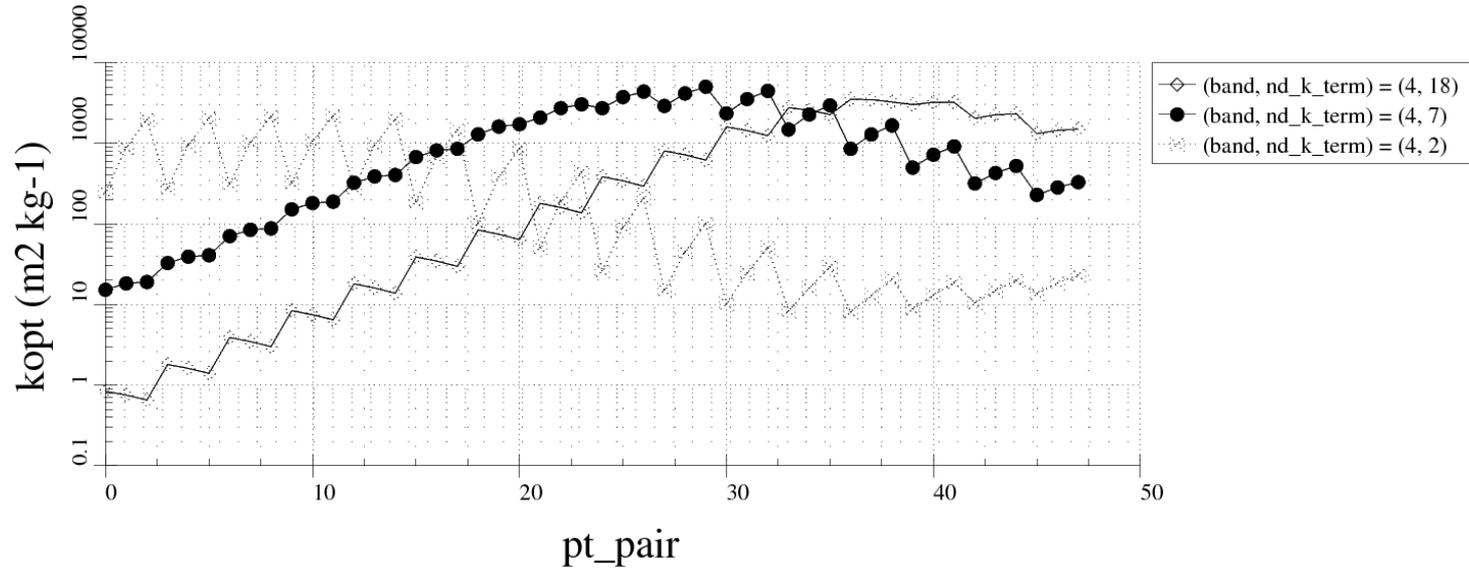
Use weights that give equal increments in $\log k_{\tau=1}$

(Based on similar ideas from Hogan 2010)

Calculate k-terms for P/T look-up table



Option to bin according to scaling behaviour of absorption as well as just absorption strength

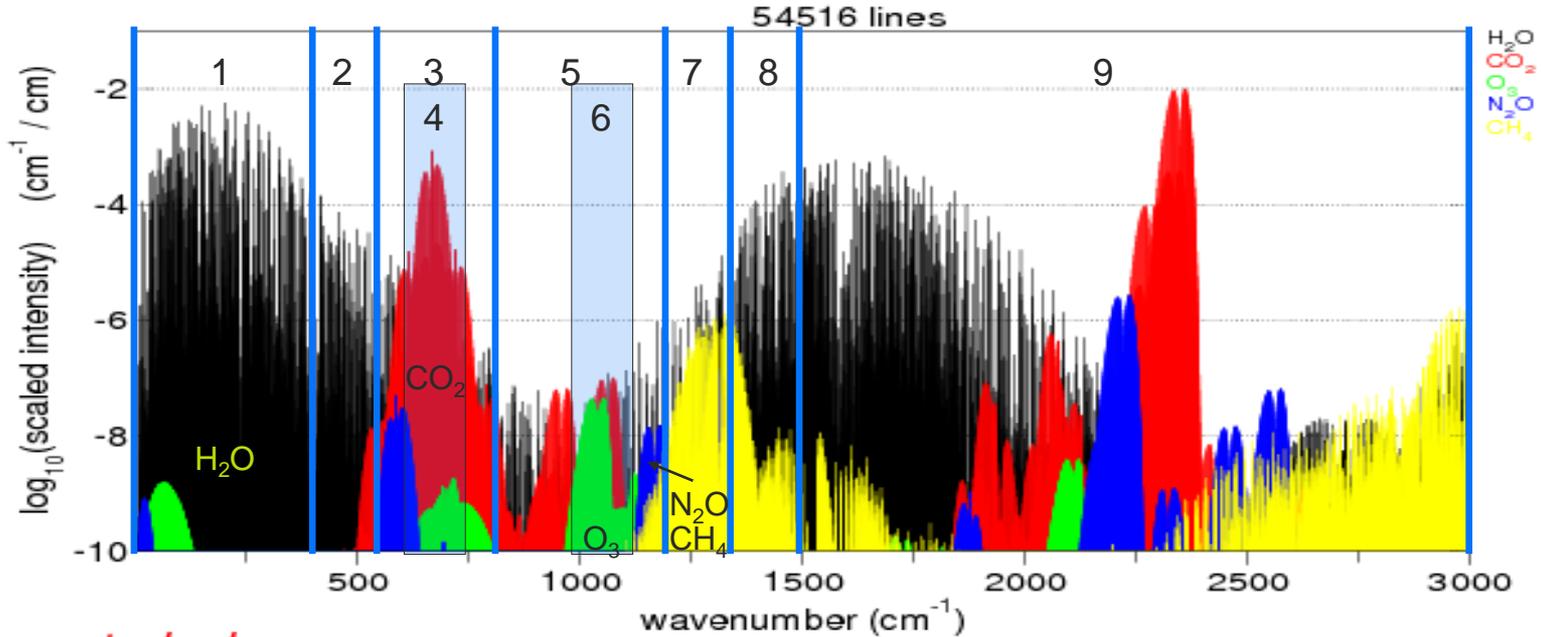


k-term

Figure 5: Scaling behaviour of three k-terms for CO₂ in band 4 of the HadGEM spectral file. The x axis is the pressure/temperature combination which is logarithmically spaced in pressure starting from 1Pa on the left to 1000 hPa on the right. Three temperatures are used for each pressure: 190, 240, 290K.

Overlapping gaseous absorption

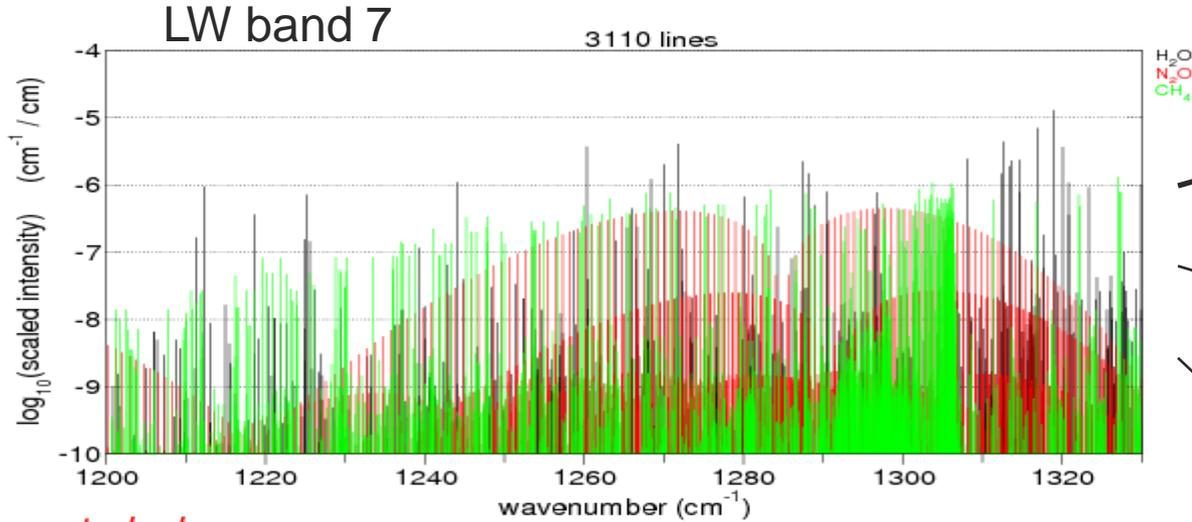
LW bands used in broadband configuration



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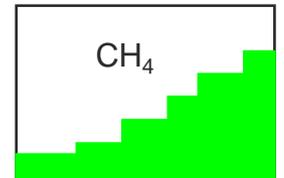
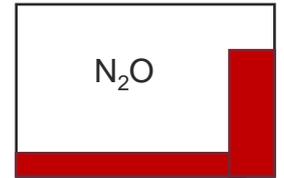
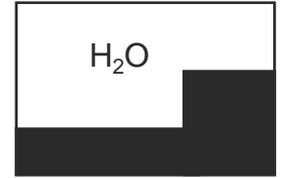
Relative abundances at 10km
(mid-latitude summer, ~ tropopause)

Random overlap of absorption lines



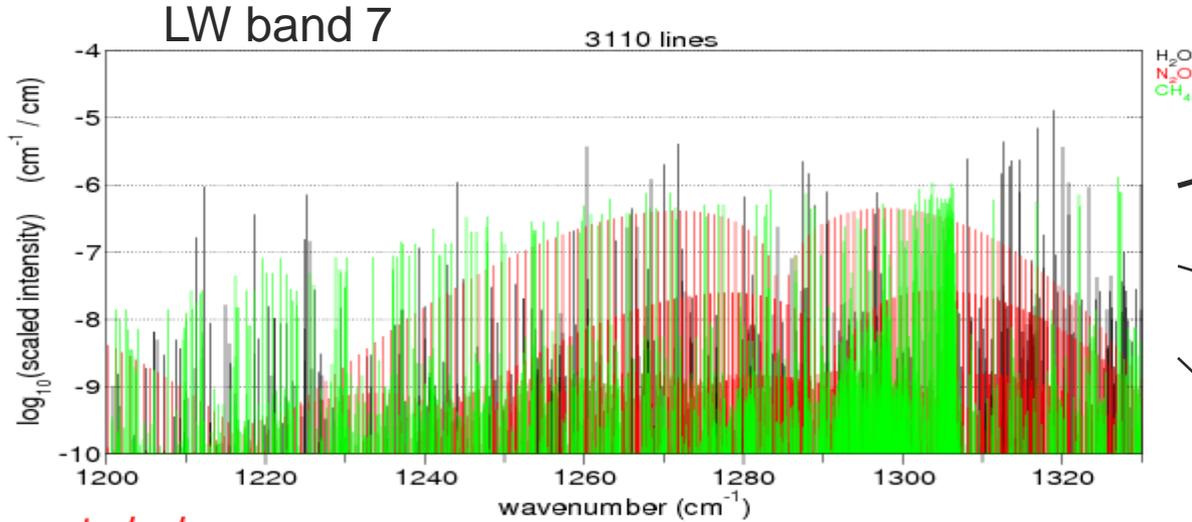
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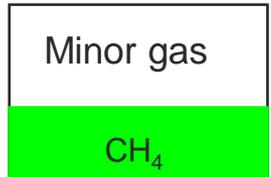
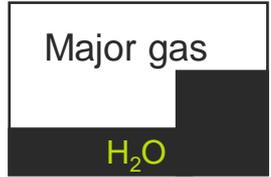
Requires $2 \times 2 \times 6 = 24$ monochromatic calculations

Equivalent extinction



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Calculate single “equivalent extinction” coefficient using clear-sky atmosphere with minor gas.

Requires $2 \times 1 \times 1 = 2$ monochromatic calculations

Complications for intercomparison:

LW equivalent extinction:

- Full (scattering) calculations for each “major” gas k-term
- Plus non-scattering calculations for each “minor” gas k-term

SW equivalent extinction

- Diffuse fluxes as LW
- Direct fluxes use accurate “random overlap” without additional cost (equivalent extinction is adjusted to give the product of transmissions for each gas)

Optical properties of scatterers, surface, etc. also require appropriate band structure / wavelength resolution.

Questions

