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Size	Main body		3.7 m x 1.8 m x 2.0 m (Wing Span 13.7m)
Mass	Total	1750kg	
Power	Total		3.8 KW (EOL)
Life Time	5 years		
Orbit	sun synchronous orbit		
	Local time		13:00+/-0:15
	Altitude Inclination		666km
			98deg
	Repeat		3 days
Launch Vehicle			H-IIA
	Schedule		Jan. 23 2009

TANSO-FTS (Fourier Transform Spectrometer)

- SWIR reflected on the earth's surface
- -TIR radiated from the ground and the atmosphere

TANSO onboard GOSAT

TANSO=<u>T</u>hermal <u>And N</u>ear infrared <u>S</u>ensor for carbon <u>O</u>bservation

TANSO (炭素) = Carbon

TANSO-CAI (Cloud and Aerosol Imager)

Ultraviolet (UV) (0.38 micron), visible (0.67 micron), NIR (0.87 micron), and SWIR (1.6 micron)

Objectives of the GOSAT Project



- To obtain the <u>global distributions</u> of greenhouse gas (GHG) concentrations (CO₂ and CH₄) and their <u>temporal variations</u>
 - To visualize changing GHG global distributions
 - To fill out the gaps in the network of ground monitoring stations
- 2. To improve accuracy (decrease uncertainty) of the carbon flux (net sources and sinks) estimation on a sub-continental scale
- 3. To develop technologies for future GHG observing satellite \Rightarrow GOSAT-2



- GOSAT was launched on January 23, 2009 and has been in operation for more than five years.
- GOSAT observations successfully filled out the gaps in the ground-based monitoring network, except for around the equator and the high-latitude regions.
- Uncertainties in monthly regional flux estimates of CO_2 and CH_4 have been decreased by using **GOSAT** data.



Records of the GOSAT Observation Locations for Valid Data Retrieved







Locations of GHG monitoring stations (from WDCGG, as of May. 11, 2015) Total: **330** CO_2 measurement: **226** CH_4 measurement: **213**

The number of **GOSAT** Level2 (Ver. 2) XCO₂ data in a year (2009.6-2010.5). Red-white : 200 – 1000 data/year Green-orange: 20 – 100 data/year Blue : 0 – 10 data/year

Satellites can fill the gaps in the ground-based monitoring network with several exceptions.

TANSO-FTS SWIR Level 2 (vo2.21) $XCO_2 & XCH_4$

April 2009 - May 2014



(by Y. Yoshida (NIES))



- Above movies are 1-month-moving average GOSAT XCO₂ and XCH₄ with three-day interval. The mesh size is 2.5 degree.
- Various interesting features are shown in these movies such as annual and seasonal variations of XCO₂ and localized anomalies of XCH₄.
- GOSAT obtained XCO₂ and XCH₄ data for more than 6 years. Validation results suggest that relative accuracies (variations) of XCO₂ and XCH₄ are ≈ 2 ppm (≈ 0.5%) and 12 ppb (≈ 0.7%), respectively.



Aircraft measurement by CONTRAIL, NOAA, DOE, NIES, HIPPO and NIES-JAXA



CO₂ (47 sites)

Measurement uncertainty in $CO_2 \approx 0.2$ ppm

Uncertainty in calculating $XCO_2 \approx 1$ ppm

A paper for basic parts on profiles to derive X : Araki et al. (2010, ACP) Miyamoto et al. (2013, ACP)

CH₄ (28 sites)

Measurement uncertainty in $CH_4 \sim 2 \text{ ppb}$ Uncertainty in calculating $XCH_4 \sim 15 \text{ ppb}$



CONTRAIL: continuous measurements Inoue et al. (2013, ACP) NOAA, DOE, NIES, NIES-JAXA: Flask sampling

Observation sites used in this study

- CONTRAIL data (Machida et al., 2008):
 20 sites (2007 2010)
- NOAA/DOE data: 17 sites (2007 2011)
- NIES data: 4 sites (2008 2010)
- HIPPO data: 5-6 sites (2009 2010)
- NIES-JAXA campaign data: 1 site (2010)

CONTRAIL (JAL project)

XCO₂ and XCH₄ calculation from aircraft data



$$XCO_{2} = \frac{\sum_{0 \ km}^{85 \ km} [CO_{2}]^{(i)} \times N_{air}^{(i)}}{\sum_{0 \ km}^{85 \ km} N_{air}^{(k)}} \qquad XCH_{4} = \frac{\sum_{0 \ km}^{85 \ km} [CH_{4}]^{(i)} \times N_{air}^{(i)}}{\sum_{0 \ km}^{85 \ km} N_{air}^{(k)}} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} CO_{2} \end{bmatrix}^{(l)} \\ [CH_{4}]^{(l)} \\ N_{air}^{(l)} : \end{bmatrix}$$

*ACTM: AGCM-based Chemistry Transport Model

 $[CO_2]^{(i)}$: CO₂ ratio of *i-th* layer $[CH_4]^{(i)}$: CH₄ ratio of *i-th* layer $N_{air}^{(i)}$: Dry air number density of *i-th* layer

(by I. Morino & O. Uchino (NIES))

Miyamoto et al. (2013, ACP); Inoue et al. (2014, AMT)



Contribution of satellite data to carbon flux





Input to GOSAT Level 4 regional flux

estimation (CO₂ v02.03 released in Jan. 2015)



Monthly CO₂ Flux Estimates and Uncertainties

July 2010

GOSAT L4A V02.03 CO2 Fluxes (2010/07)



0.5 -0.4 -0.3 -0.2 -0.1 0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 (gC/m³/c







GOSAT L4A V02.03 CO2 Fluxes (2011/07)





cells



GOSAT L4A V02.03 CO2 Fluxes (2012/07)





Bottom: Flux uncertainty

Top: monthly-mean CO_2 data (input to flux estimation) Squares: GOSAT XCO_2 gridded to 5° × 5° Circles: GLOBALVIEW data (212 sites) Middle: Monthly flux estimate (GOSAT Level 4A CO_2),



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Time series of monthly regional flux estimates Jun. 2009 – Oct. 2012 (41 months)





GOSAT CH₄ inverse modeling, H. Kim & S. Maksyutov, NIES



cf). GOSAT L4 CH₄ product release note (http://data.gosat.nies.go.jp)

Location of CH₄ measurement sites used in GOSAT L4 CH₄ (v01.02)



We are using CH₄ monitoring data via the World Data Centre for Greenhouse Gases (WDCGG) site. Many of them are originated from the NOAA ESRL/GMD.

× Others



Top: monthly-mean GOSAT XCH₄ data gridded to $2.5^{\circ} \times 2.5^{\circ}$ mesh (input to flux estimation) **Middle**: Monthly flux estimates (GOSAT Level 4A CH₄)

Bottom: Flux uncertainty

* Anthropogenic, natural, and biomass burning emissions are estimated separately for each region.

Concluding Remarks



- GOSAT Project has released almost all of its standard data products to registered researchers and the general public.
- The GOSAT Level 2 XCO₂ and XCH₄ data products have been validated with TCCON FTS data, NOAA and DOE airborne data, CONTRAIL data, and other reference data.
- The Level 4A CO₂ and CH₄ data product (monthly regional source-sink estimates) have been generated with GOSAT Level 2 data, selected GlobalView data, and NOAA ESRL/GMD observational data provided via the WDCGG.
- In this way, the six-year-long GHG observation by GOSAT have been performed by collaborative effort with the ESRL/GMD groups in data validation and surface flux estimation. We express special thanks to the NOAA ESRL/GMD members.