# Terrestrial CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes, concentrations, and budgets in USA and Northeast China

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# **CO<sub>2</sub>-induced global warming?**



### **Trend of CO<sub>2</sub>**



### **Global CO<sub>2</sub> sources and sinks**



**Uncertainties of terrestrial CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes are large** 

### **Terrestrial CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes in different regions**

(a) Terrestrial CO<sub>2</sub> flux in 2015 from land regions



(Sourish Basu et al., 2018)



Uncertainties in each region/plant function are large too

# **WRF/Chem-VPRM for CO<sub>2</sub> simulation**

 Vegetation Photosynthesis and Respiration Model (VPRM) (Xiao et al., 2004; Mahadevan et al., 2008; Ahmadov et al., 2007)





# Implemented parameters from Hilton, Davis et al. (2013)

Calibrated using eddy covariance tower data over North America

	Evergreen forest	Deciduous forest	Mixed forest	Shrub	Savanna	Сгор	Grass
PAR <sub>0</sub>	745.306	514.13	419.5	590.7	600	1074.9	717.1
λ	0.13	0.1	0.1	0.18	0.18	0.085	0.115
α	0.1247	0.092	0.2	0.0634	0.2	0.13	0.0515
β	0.2496	0.843	0.27248	0.2684	0.3376	0.542	-0.0986

#### And other minor changes to VPRM in WRF

# Downscaling in year 2016 from CT-NRT.v2017



Point 1: both IC/BC are time dependent

Point 2: resolution of WRF-VPRM is much higher, adequate to investigate impact of weather

Carbon Tracker NRT

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Min= 384.7 Max= 489.7 80°W

co2 layer 0

# **configuration for WRF-VPRM downscaling**

Short wave radiation	Dudhia
Long wave radiation	rapid radiative transfer model (RRTM)
Boundary layer	YSU
Microphysics	Morrison
Cumulus	Grell-Freitas
Land surface model	NOAH
Vertical levels	47
Horizontal resolution	12 km $ imes$ 12 km with 266 $ imes$ 443 grid points
Time step	60 seconds
Meteo initial and lateral boundary conditions	NCEP/DOE Reanalysis 2 (R2)
CO <sub>2</sub> initial and lateral boundary conditions	CarbonTracker global simulation 3°×2° outputs
Interior nudging	Spectral nudging
nudging variables	horizontal wind components, temperature, geopotential
nudging coefficient	3×10 <sup>-5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>
nudging height	above PBL
wave number	5 and 3 in the zonal and meridional directions respectively
nudging period	throughout the downscaling simulation



Downscaling captures the monthly variation of precipitation

#### **Biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes downscaled by WRF-VPRM vs. CarbonTracker posterior fluxes**



# **XCO<sub>2</sub> at the 4 TCCON sites**



captures the seasonal and some episodic variation of  $XCO_2$ .



Thus, bias in western boundary partially contributed to WRF-VPRM bias?

# Individual contribution to XCO2





# **Compare with OCO-2, individual cases**



### Statistic evaluation of XCO<sub>2</sub> using OCO-2 data



Best performance in Summer, followed by Fall

# Case study July 25



Capture the contrast across boundary layer top

# Case study, Aug 5 OCO-2 underpass





# Aug 21,2016



Capture the contrast across boundary layer top, and across cold front

# Summary

- 1. Calibrated VPRM parameters from Hilton et al [2013] are implemented into WRF-VPRM
- 2. WRF-VPRM reasonably captures monthly variation of XCO<sub>2</sub> and episodic variations due to frontal passages
- 3. The downscaling also successfully captures the horizontal CO<sub>2</sub> gradients across fronts, as well as vertical CO<sub>2</sub> contrast across the boundary layer top.

### **Terrestrial CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes in different regions**



(Sourish Basu et al., 2018)

Uncertainties in each region are large too Asia is CO<sub>2</sub> sink!!

### Northeast China: a major CO<sub>2</sub> sink





Mixed forest and cropland dominate in Northeast China Crop area is still increasing!!

#### SIF: Sun-induced Fluorescence, proportional to photosynthesis

### Long-term tower measurements, focusing on 2016



#### **2016 downscaling using WRF-VPRM: a weather-biosphere-online-coupled model**





- **Resolution:** 20 km in d01; 4 km in d02
- Meteorology initial/boundary conditions: NECP/DOE R2
- **CO<sub>2</sub> initial/boundary conditions:** 3°×2° CarbanTracker 2017
- Anthropogenic emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>: ODIAC

	Crops	Mixed	Evergreen	Deciduous	Shrub	Savanna	Grass
		forest	forest	forest			
α	0.1300	0.2000	0.1247	0.0920	0.0634	0.2000	0.0515
β	0.5420	0.27248	0.2496	0.8430	0.2684	0.3376	-0.0986
λ	0.085	0.100	0.130	0.100	0.180	0.180	0.115
PAR <sub>0</sub>	1074.9	419.50	745.306	514.13	590.7	600.0	717.1

Following Hu et al. (2019) based on Hilton et al. (2013)

#### **OCO-2** retrieved XCO<sub>2</sub> (L2 Lite Version 9)



#### Advantage: spatiotemporal coverage Disadvantage: interfere with cloud and haze pollution!!

### Seasonal variations of CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes and concentrations



#### **MODIS** vegetation type



### **Bias of terrestrial respiration**



### Seasonal variation of CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes and concentrations

#### **MODIS** vegetation type



#### **Episodic variation on October 15, 2016**





**Regional transport on October 15** 

### Anthropogenic emissions & biogenic contribution

### Anthropogenic emissions only

Anthropogenic contribution:  $59.4 \pm 5.9\%$ Biogenic contribution:  $40.6 \pm 5.9\%$ 

#### **Vertical cross-section on October 15**



**Regional transport as well as subsidence?** 

#### **OCO-2** retrieved XCO<sub>2</sub> (L2 Lite Version 9)

![](_page_32_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### Advantage: spatiotemporal coverage Disadvantage: interfere with cloud and haze pollution!!

### Seasonal variation of XCO<sub>2</sub> over Northeast China

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Seasonal variation range: 10 ppmv

#### Annual mean contribution:

- anthropogenic: 0.84 ppmv
- biogenic: -0.60 ppmv

Weak winds favors the large anthropogenic contribution of XCO<sub>2</sub> in summer

### Mean diurnal variation of CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes and concentrations in growing season

![](_page_34_Figure_1.jpeg)

**WRF-VPRM underestimates diurnal variation range over mixed forest** 

#### **Ensemble offline VPRM simulations over mixed forest, predictability of CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes**

Table 3 Range of VPRM parameters in five groups of ensemble simulations, with \*

representing relative variation to the default values

Ensemble Simulation	α	β	λ	PAR <sub>0</sub>
ES1	[0.12, 0.30]	[0.50, 1.20]	[0.09, 0.14]	[350, 600]
	$\textbf{-40}\sim 50\%^*$	$\textbf{-50} \sim \textbf{20\%}^*$	$-10 \sim 40\%^{*}$	$-16.57 \sim 43.03\%^*$
ES2	[0.12, 0.30]	1	0.1	419.5
ES3	0.2	[0.50, 1.20]	0.1	419.5
ES4	0.2	1	[0.09, 0.14]	419.5
ES5	0.2	1	0.1	[350, 600]

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![](_page_35_Figure_5.jpeg)

# Conclusions and future work

- Mixed forest is observed as a stronger CO<sub>2</sub> sink/source than rice paddy on average in 2016;
- Negative biogenic contribution offset about 70% of anthropogenic contribution of XCO<sub>2</sub> over Northeast China in 2016;
- The uncertainty of NEE simulation largely depends on four VPRM parameters, especially the maximum light use efficiency λ.

Future: Update VPRM in WRF, including update the GEE equation and parameters.  $GEE = (\lambda \times T_{scale} \times W_{scale} \times V_{scale}) \times FAPAR_{PAV} \times 1/(1 + PAR/PAR_0) \times PAR$  $1.25^*(EVI-0.1)$  Also separate crop into C3/C4

# CO<sub>2</sub> models

- Global models:
  - -Chemistry transport model TM3 (Heiman, 1996), TM5 (Krol et al., 2005)
  - -Laboratoire de Met'eorologie Dynamique, LMDZ (Hauglustaine et al., 2004)
  - -ECHAM-4 (Max Planck Institute for Meteorology)
  - -CarbonTracker (only simulate CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes, not CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations)
- Regional models:
  - -NCAR episodic regional chemical transport mode, HANK (Hess et al., 2000)
  - -Danish Eulerian Hemispheric Model, DEHM (Christensen, 1997)
  - -REgional MOdel, REMO(Majewski, 1991)
  - -DEHM-LSM (land surface model), (Geel et al., 2004)
  - -RAMS-SiB2(Scott Denning et al., 2003)