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Inverse modeling contribution to U.S. Greenhouse Gas Center

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GHG Center DEMONSTRATION AREAS: Local to Global

IWG GHG Formation Use Case
Development

Demonstration Area: Human emissions, cyberinfrastructure		Demonstration Area: Natural sources/sinks, modeling and data assimilation		Demonstration Area: Large emission events, Advancing measurement technology and cal/val	
<p>NASA-EPA Use Case 1. <i>Improve access and latency to, gridding of anthropogenic CH₄ inventory</i></p>	<p>NASA, NOAA, NIST opportunities. <i>Collaboration on low latency GHG, AQ emissions through GRA²PES</i></p>	<p>NASA-EPA Use Case 2. <i>Complement anthropogenic GHG emissions with natural GHG emissions and fluxes</i></p>	<p>NASA, NOAA, NIST opportunities. <i>Collaboration on quasi-operational modeling, development of consensus GHG products</i></p>	<p>NASA-EPA Use Case 3. <i>Identify, quantify emissions from, large CH₄ leak events leveraging aircraft and satellite data</i></p>	<p>NASA, NOAA, NIST opportunities. <i>Collaboration on cal/val standards, coordinated measurement deployments</i></p>
<p>International. <i>Make gridding tools open source, support capacity building in other countries, collaborating with State Department.</i></p>		<p>International. <i>Contribute to CEOS Strategy to Support the Global Stocktake and WMO IG3IS and Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Infrastructure initiatives.</i></p>		<p>International. <i>Explore contributions to UNEP IMEO, MARS initiatives to enable timely access of satellite plume mapping data for large/transient emissions detection and inter-comparison of plume mapping instruments with emissions release.</i></p>	

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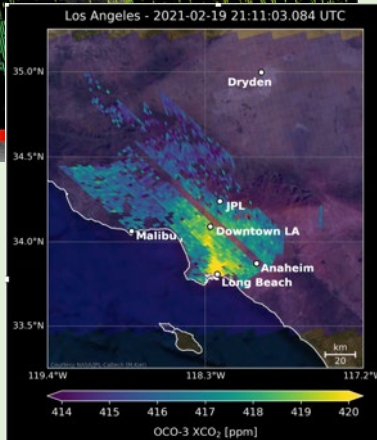
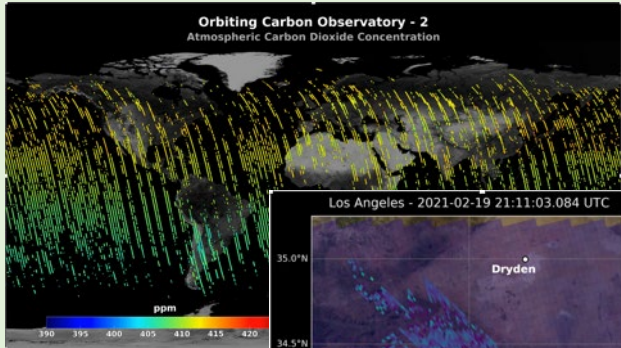
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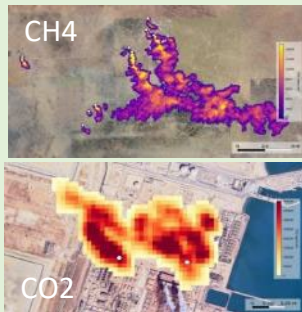
JPL Inverse Modeling Contribution to GHG Center

GHG Observations

OCO-2



OCO-3

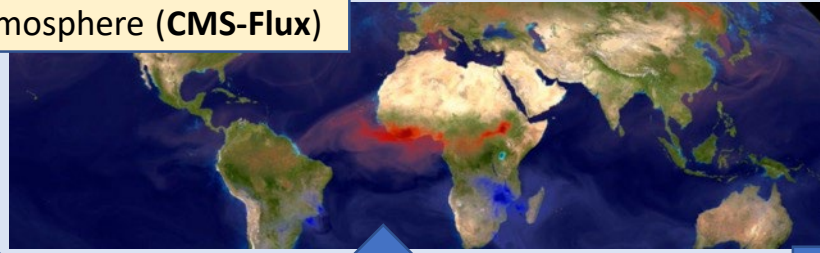


Other Critical Measurements

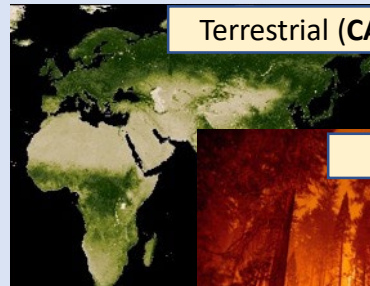
- OCO-2/3 Solar Induced Florescence
- AIRS Carbon Monoxide
- NISAR Biomass
- SMAP/Aquarius Salinity

GHG inverse Modeling

Atmosphere (CMS-Flux)



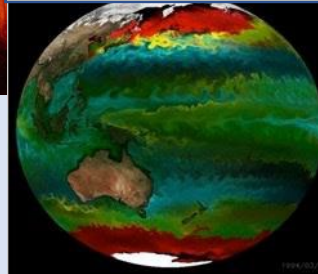
Terrestrial (CARDAMOM)



Fires (MOMO-Chem)



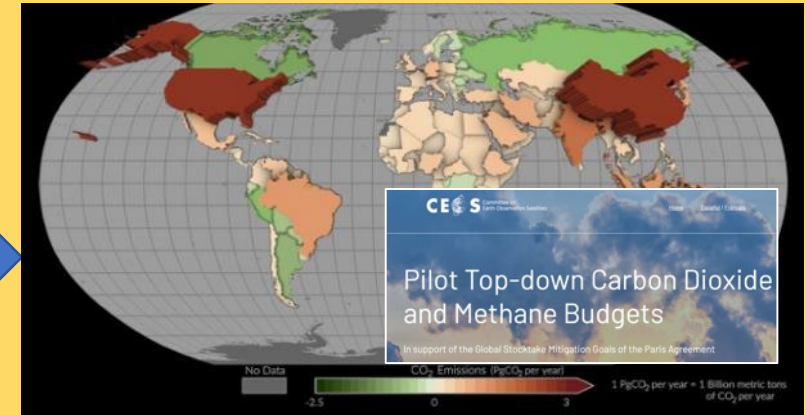
Ocean (ECCO-Darwin)



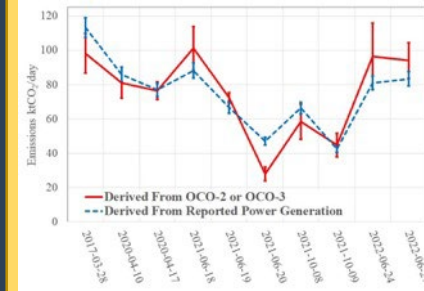
Each **model** is a state-of-the-art Earth System component model with data assimilation capabilities for fusing known physics with available in-situ and satellite observations.

Decision Support

From Global to Facility Scale



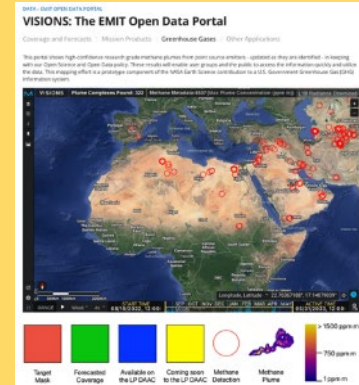
Global Stocktake Byrne et al, 2023



Nassar et al, 2023

Bełchatów Power Station
CO2 Emissions, Poland

CH4 Plume Open Data Portal



NASA GSFC contribution to GHG Center Inverse Modeling

Technical details:

Model: TM5-4DVAR

Resolution: Currently 3°×2° with optional 1°×1° nested domains, working towards 1°×1° global

Species: CO₂, CH₄

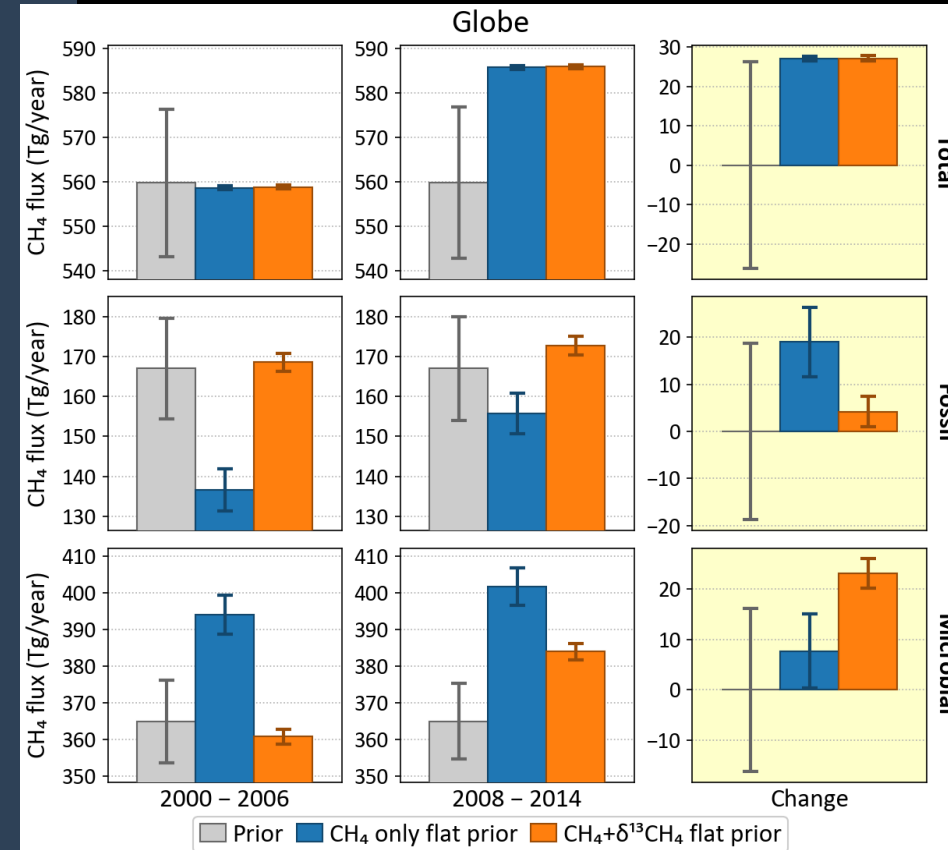
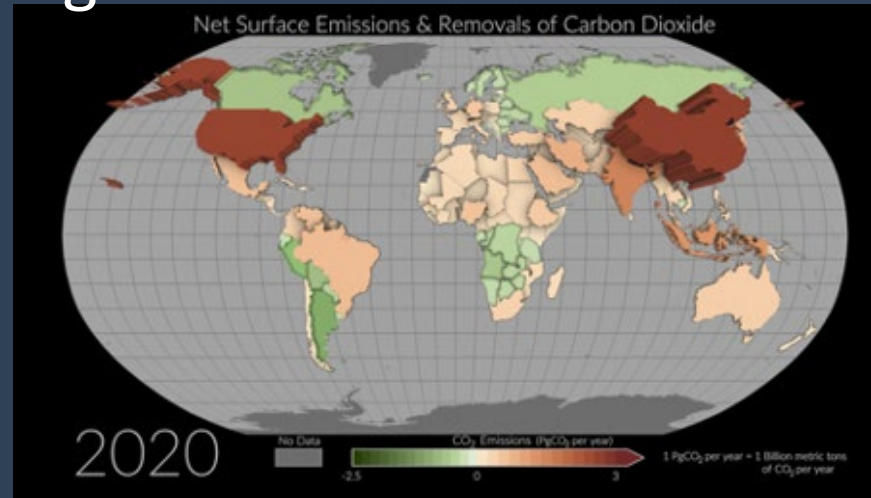
Datasets assimilated: GOSAT (CO₂, CH₄), OCO-2 (CO₂), in situ observations (CO₂, CH₄, δ¹³CH₄), TROPOMI (CH₄)

Meteorology: ECMWF IFS currently, GEOS in the future

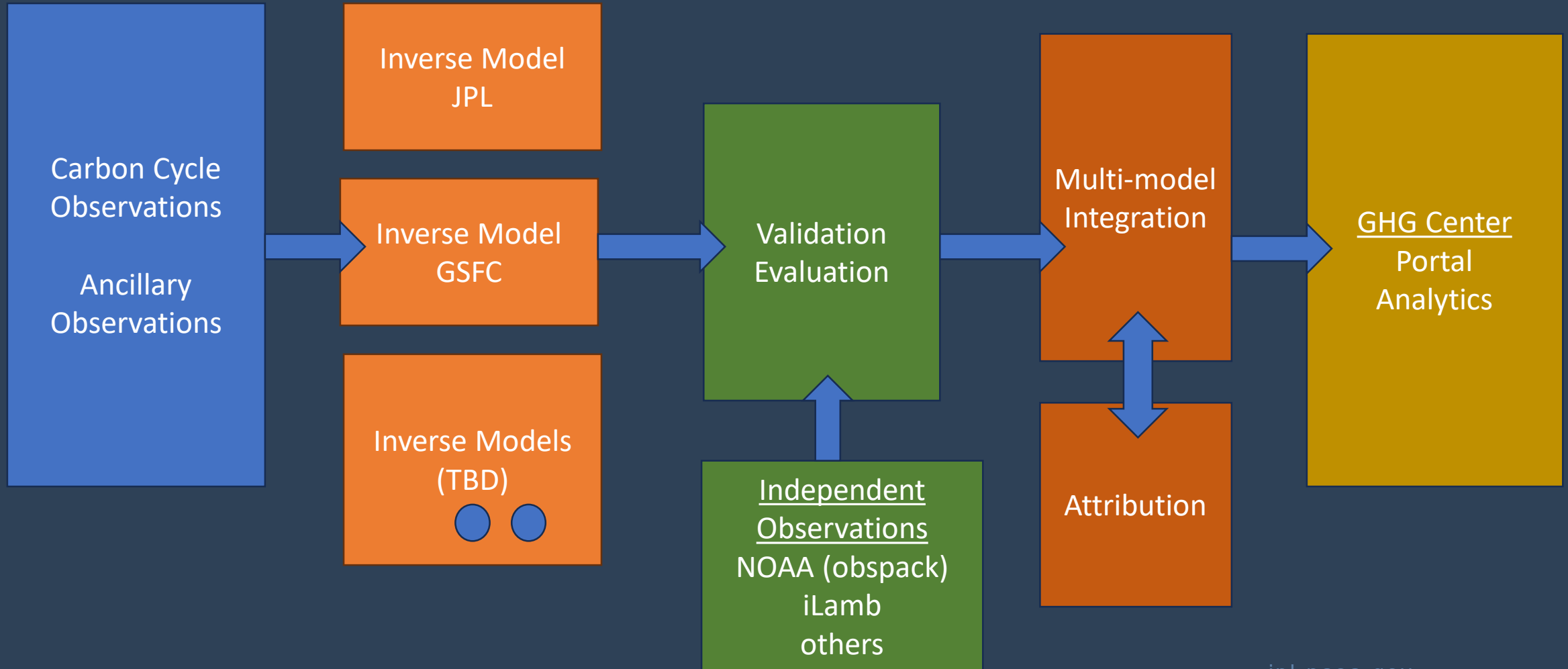
Cadence: Annual updates, year Y fluxes available a few months into year Y+1

Evaluation: Against withheld in situ data and validation data such as TCCON and AirCore
Error estimation: Statistical error estimates based on prior inventory errors and measurement errors, and systematic error estimates based on

Examples of contribution to OCO2 MIP, CH₄ isotope-based inversion to attribute emissions and trends to sources



GHG Center Inverse Model Framework



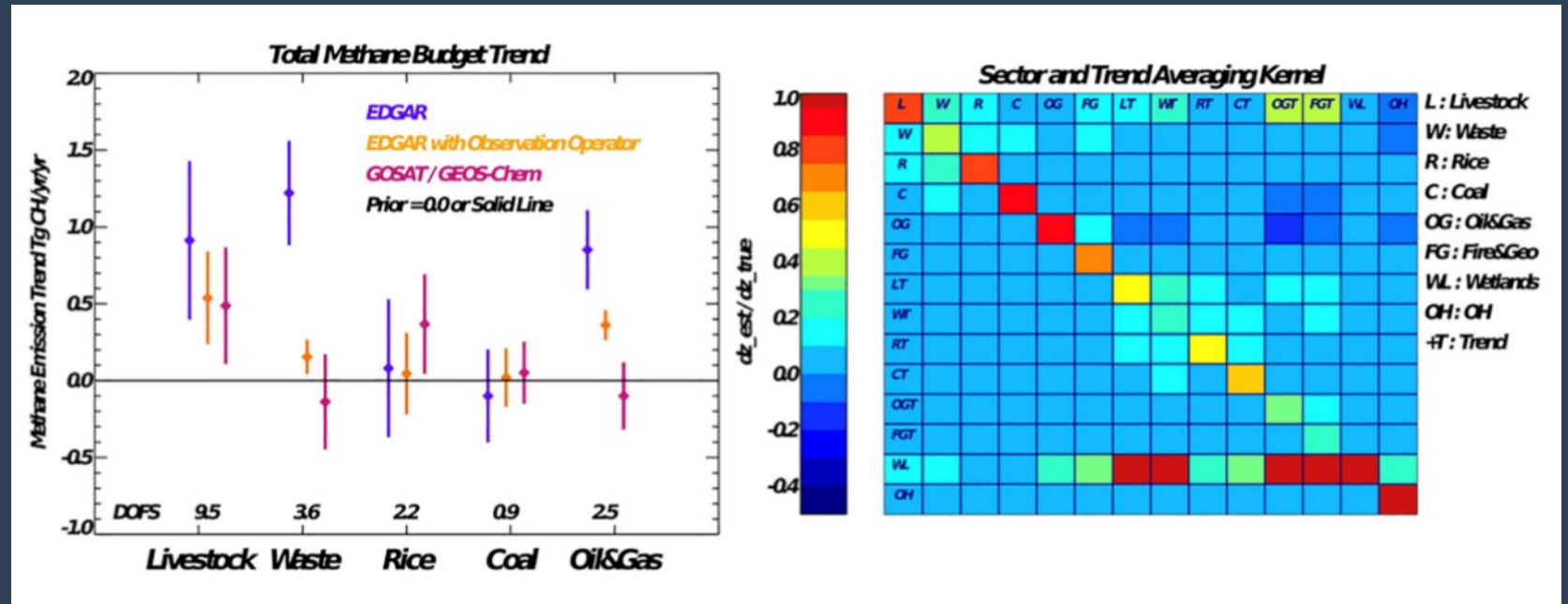


• **BACKUP**

Greenhouse Gas Inventory Evaluation

2019 IPCC refinement: “An ideal condition for verification is the use of fully independent data as a basis for comparison. Measurements of atmospheric concentrations provide such datasets, and recent scientific advances allow using such data as a basis for emission modeling.”

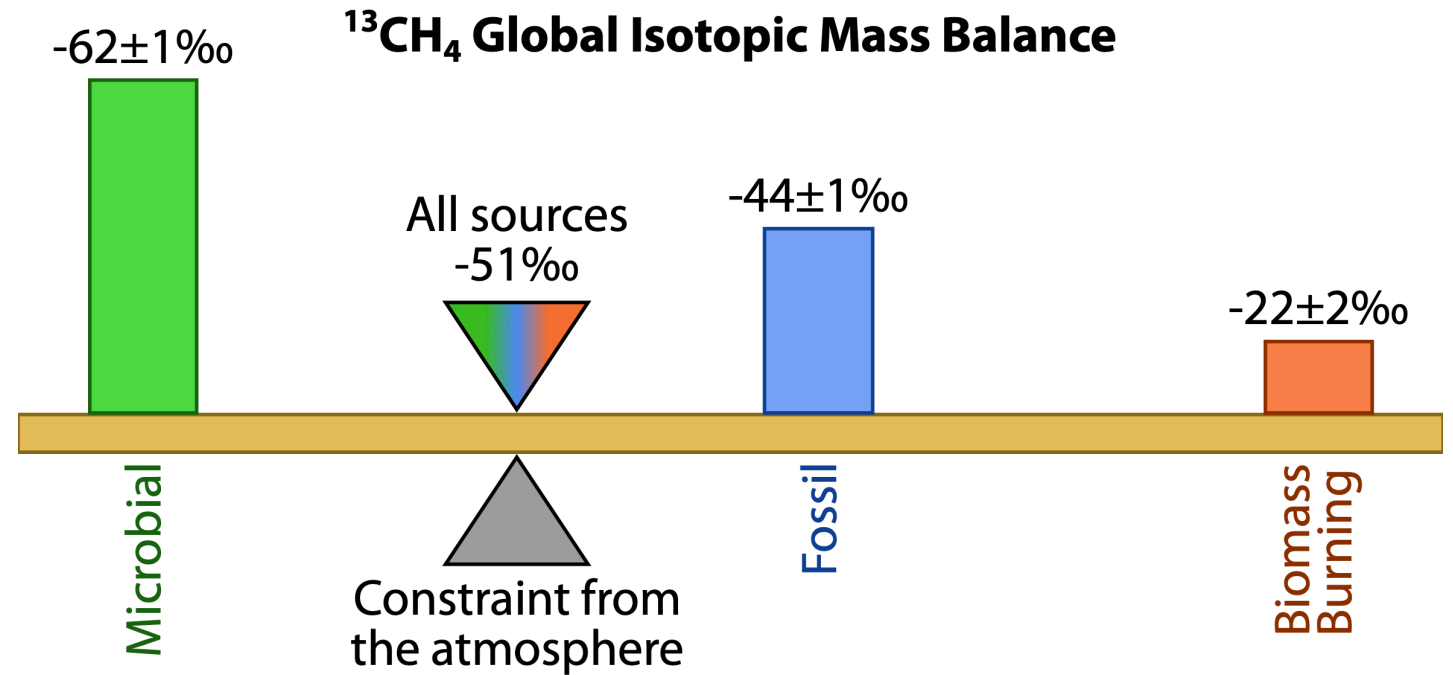
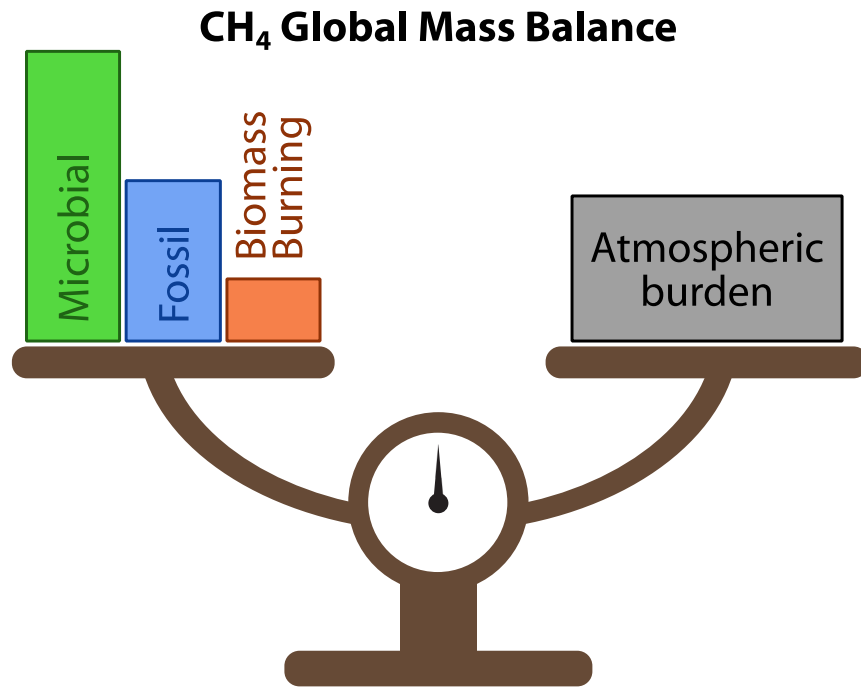
New methods can be used to compare against GHGI.



Worden et al, AGU Adv., 2023

We use $\delta^{13}\text{CH}_4$ to distinguish between methane source types

CH_4 from different formation mechanisms have different $^{13}\text{C}:^{12}\text{C}$ ratio, and in situ measurements of that ratio tell us that $\sim 85\%$ of the post-2006 CH_4 growth is from microbial sources



We will use available $\delta^{13}\text{CH}_4$ data for our CH_4 flux estimation, and our CH_4 priors for TROPOMI+GEOS state estimation are informed by $\delta^{13}\text{CH}_4$ data as well