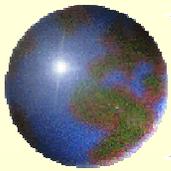


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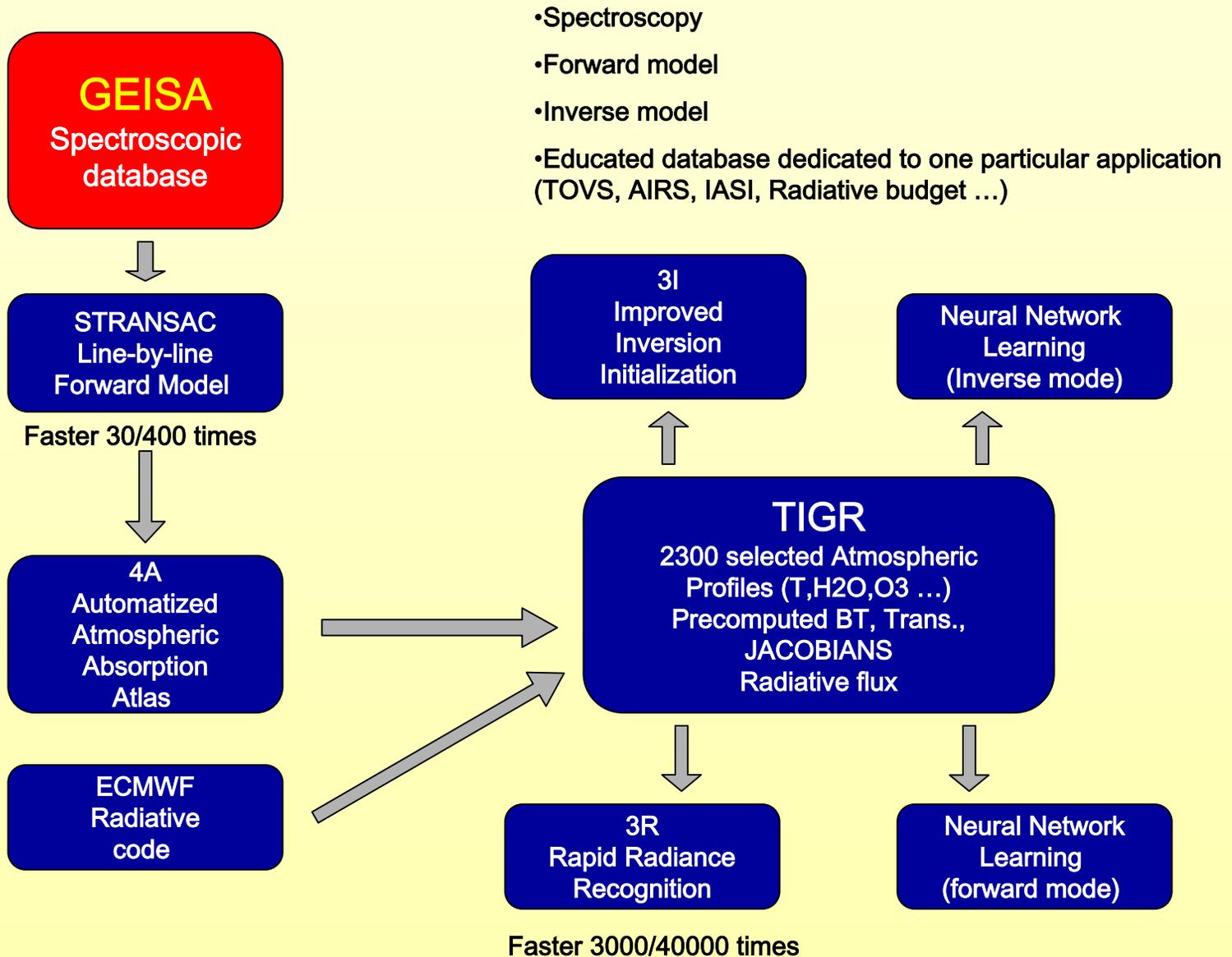
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# The GEISA spectroscopic database in the ARA/LMD tools





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## The 1997 spectroscopic GEISA databank

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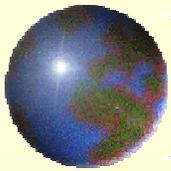
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# Molecular species in the GEISA individual spectral lines sub-database

- Major Permanent constituents of EARTH's atmosphere :

$O_2, H_2O, CO_2 \dots$

- Minor permanent constituents of the EARTH's atmosphere :

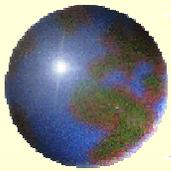
$O_3, CH_4, N_2O, CO \dots$

- Trace molecules in the EARTH's atmosphere :

$NO, SO_2, NO_2, NH_3, HNO_3, OH, HF, HCl, HBr, HI, ClO, OCS, H_2CO, PH_3 \dots$

- Molecules present in the atmospheres of JUPITER, SATURN, URANUS, TITAN etc. :

$C_2H_6, CH_3D, C_2H_2, C_2H_4, GeH_4, HCN, C_3H_8, C_3H_4 \dots$



# The GEISA-2003 system

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Management and Study of Atmospheric Spectroscopic Information

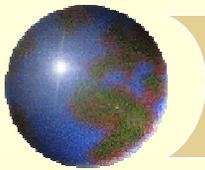
## Three SUB-DATABASES

- Individual spectral lines spectroscopic parameters database  
42 molecules (96 isotopic species) between 0 and 25,232  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   
1,361,667 entries between 0 and 25,232  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .
- Absorption cross-sections database (mainly CFC's)  
32 molecular species
- Refractive Indices of Basic Atmospheric aerosol components database  
About 20 components

## ASSOCIATED MANAGEMENT SOFTWARES

(For each database)

# **GEISA-03 OVERVIEW**

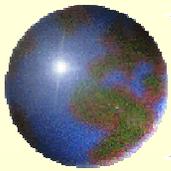


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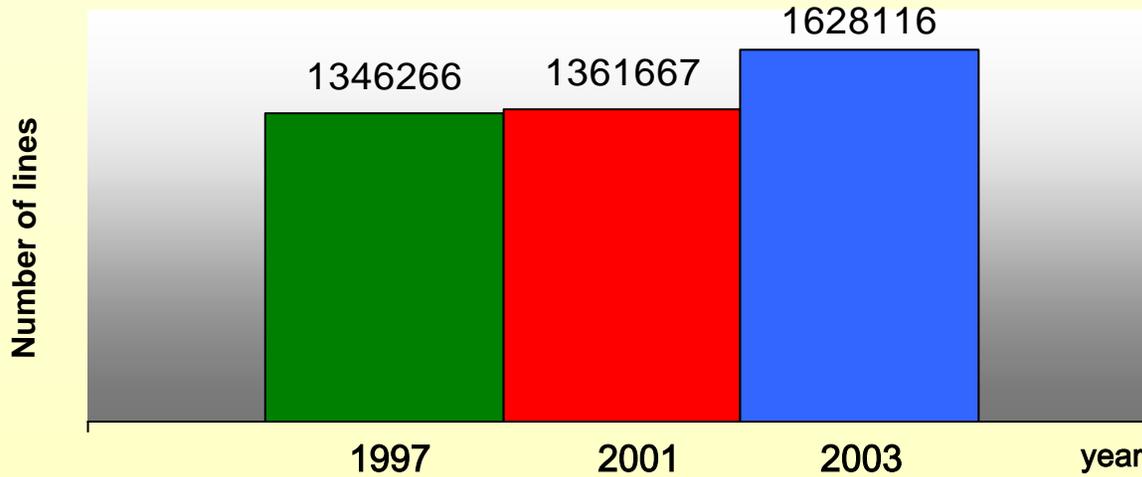
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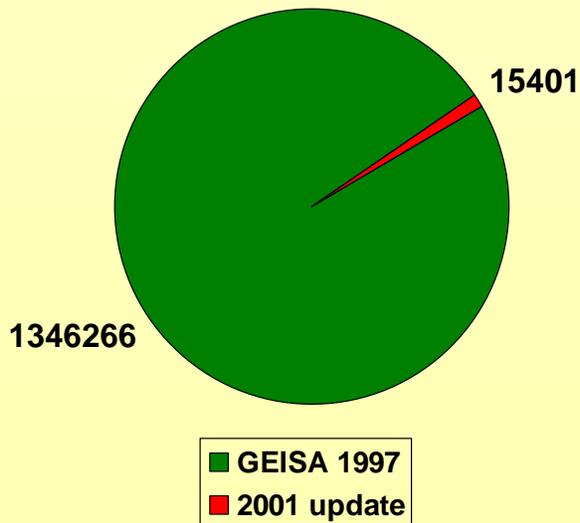
- (A) Wavenumber ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of the line associated with the vibro-rotational transition.
- (B) Intensity of the line ( $\text{cm molecule}^{-1}$  at 296K).
- (C) Lorentzian collision halfwidth ( $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{atm}^{-1}$  at 296K).
- (D) Energy of the lower transition level ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).
- (E) Transition quantum identifications for the lower and upper levels of the transition, as he following:  
TRS1 upper state vibrational identification,  
TRS2 lower state vibrational identification,  
RN1 upper state rotational identification,  
RN2 lower state rotational identification.  
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- (F) Temperature dependence coefficient  $n$  of the halfwidth (value set to 0.75 if  $n$  not available)
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- (I) Identification code for molecule.
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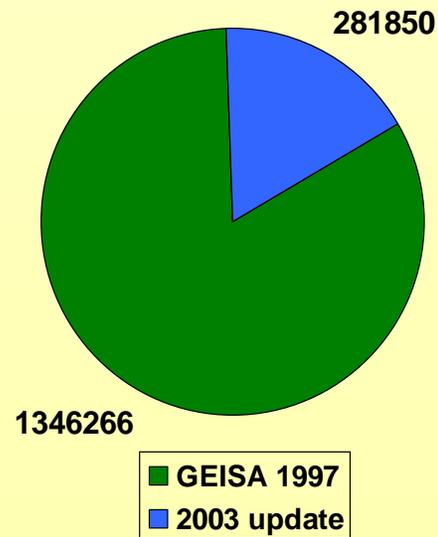
# GEISA individual lines sub-database updates since 1997



GEISA 2001



GEISA 2003





# GEISA-03 individual lines sub-database

## General contents

| Molecule   | Code | Isotopes                            | # Transitions |
|------------|------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| <u>H2O</u> | 1    | 161-162-171-181-182                 | <b>58726</b>  |
| <u>CO2</u> | 2    | 626-627-628-636-637-638-728-828-838 | <b>76826</b>  |
| <u>O3</u>  | 3    | 666-668-686-667-676                 | <b>319248</b> |
| <u>N2O</u> | 4    | 446-447-448-456-546                 | <b>26681</b>  |
| CO         | 5    | 26- 36- 28- 27- 38- 37              | 13515         |
| <u>CH4</u> | 6    | 211-311                             | <b>175941</b> |
| <u>O2</u>  | 7    | 66- 67- 68                          | <b>6290</b>   |
| <u>NO</u>  | 8    | 46- 48- 56                          | <b>99123</b>  |
| SO2        | 9    | 626-646                             | 38853         |
| <u>NO2</u> | 10   | 646                                 | <b>104224</b> |
| <u>NH3</u> | 11   | 411-511                             | <b>29082</b>  |
| <u>PH3</u> | 12   | 131                                 | <b>11740</b>  |
| HNO3       | 13   | 146                                 | 171504        |
| <u>OH</u>  | 14   | 61- 62- 81                          | <b>42866</b>  |
| HF         | 15   | 19                                  | 107           |
| HCl        | 16   | 15-17                               | 533           |
| <u>HBr</u> | 17   | 11-19                               | <b>1294</b>   |
| <u>HI</u>  | 18   | 17                                  | <b>806</b>    |
| ClO        | 19   | 56-76                               | 7230          |
| OCS        | 20   | 622-624-632-623-822-634-722         | 24922         |
| H2CO       | 21   | 126-128-136                         | 2701          |

2003 update

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# GEISA-03 individual lines sub-database

## General contents (following)

|              |    |             |        |
|--------------|----|-------------|--------|
| <u>C2H6</u>  | 22 | 226-236     | 14981  |
| <u>CH3D</u>  | 23 | 212         | 35518  |
| <u>C2H2</u>  | 24 | 221-231     | 3115   |
| C2H4         | 25 | 211-311     | 12978  |
| GeH4         | 26 | 411         | 824    |
| HCN          | 27 | 124-125-134 | 2550   |
| C3H8         | 28 | 221         | 8983   |
| C2N2         | 29 | 224         | 2577   |
| C4H2         | 30 | 211         | 1405   |
| hc3n         | 31 | 124         | 2027   |
| <u>HOCl</u>  | 32 | 165-167     | 17862  |
| N2           | 33 | 44          | 120    |
| <u>CH3Cl</u> | 34 | 215-217     | 18344  |
| H2O2         | 35 | 166         | 100781 |
| H2S          | 36 | 121-141-131 | 20788  |
| hcooh        | 37 | 261         | 3388   |
| <u>COF2</u>  | 38 | 269         | 83750  |
| SF6          | 39 | 29          | 11520  |
| C3H4         | 40 | 341         | 3390   |
| <u>HO2</u>   | 41 | 166         | 38804  |
| CLONO2       | 42 | 564-764     | 32199  |

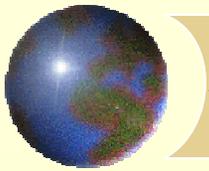
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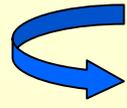
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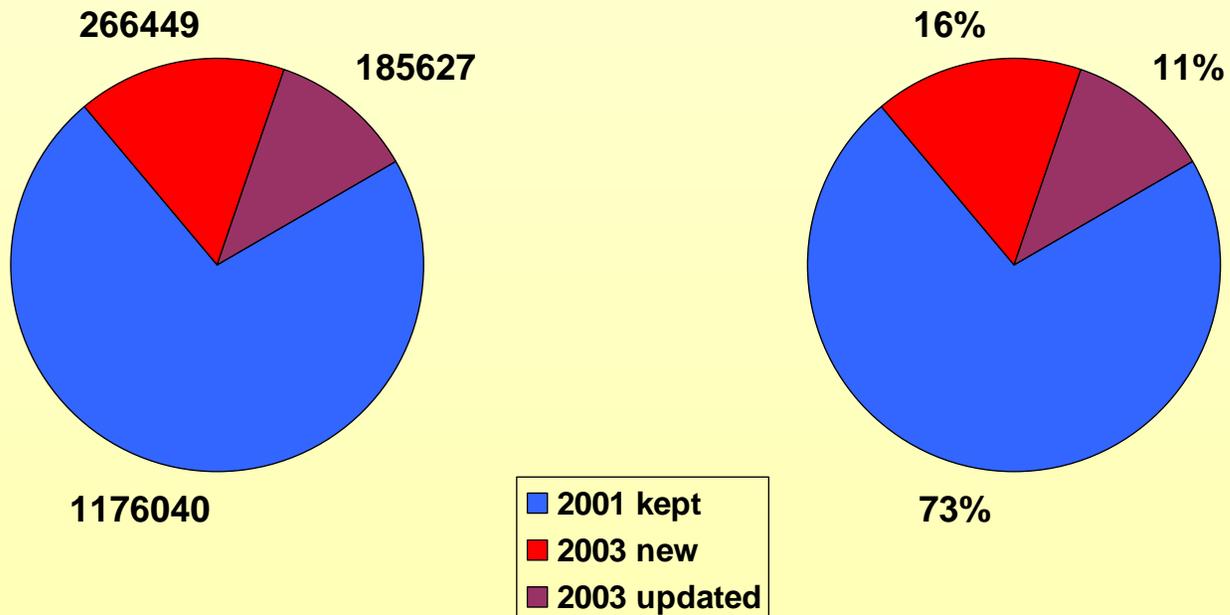
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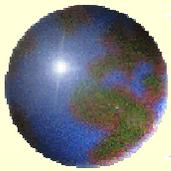
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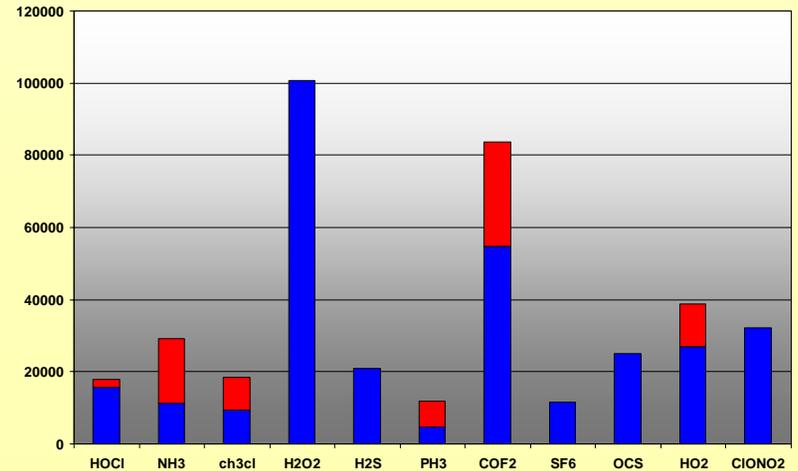
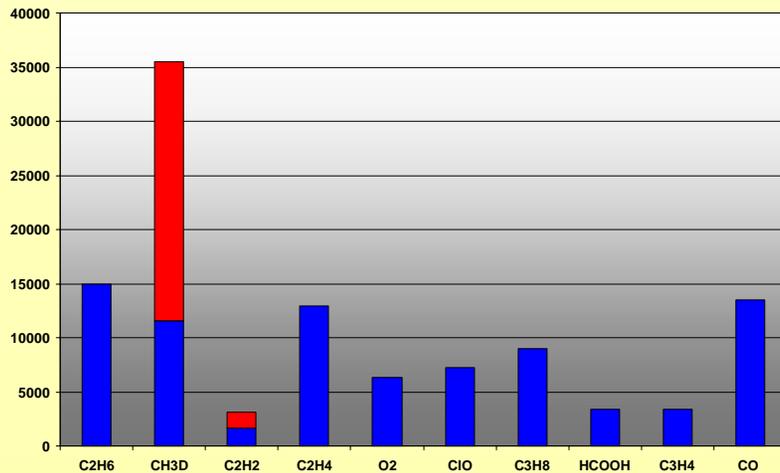
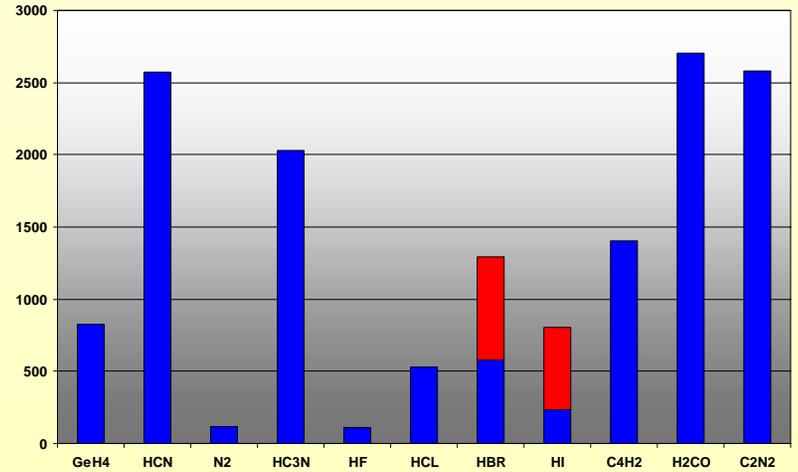
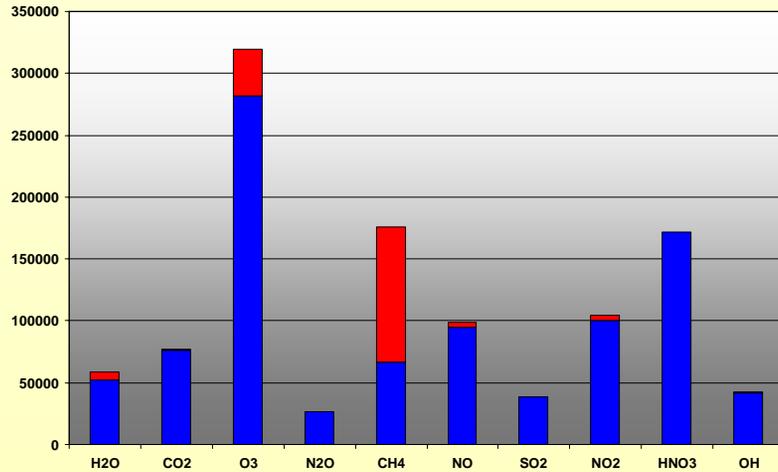
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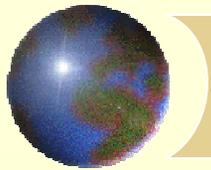




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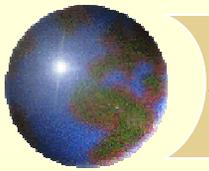
## GEISA-03 cross-sections sub-database

### ● 23 MOLECULAR SPECIES ALREADY ARCHIVED IN GEISA

CFC-11, CFC-12, CFC-13, CFC-14, HCFC-22, HFC-32,  
CFC-113, CFC-114, CFC-115, HCFC-123, HCFC-124, HFC-125,  
HFC-134, HFC-134a, HCFC-141b, HCFC-142b,  
HFC-143a, HFC-152a, HCFC-225ca, HCFC-225cb,  
N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, SF<sub>6</sub>, CLONO<sub>2</sub>

### ● 9 MOLECULAR SPECIES NEWLY ARCHIVED IN GEISA-03

C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> Perfluoroethane  
C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> Propane  
C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> ethane  
C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> acetylene  
C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> ethene  
SF<sub>5</sub>CF<sub>3</sub> trifluoromethyl sulfur pentafluoride  
CHF<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>F (HFC-143)  
1,2 Dichloroethane



## GEISA-03 aerosols sub-database

Data on microphysical and optical properties of basic aerosol components.

4 sub-databases included:

● **A database on refractive indices of basic atmospheric aerosol components:**

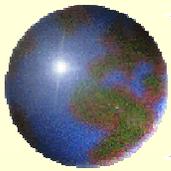
- Acids
- Water ice
- Water droplets
- Water soluble components
- Thin films
- Solid Substances

● **A Database on atmospheric aerosols from LITMS (Rublev, 1994)**

● **The software package and database OPAC (Optical Properties of Aerosols and Clouds) (Hess et al., 1998)**

● **The Global Aerosol Data Set: GADS (Koepke et al., 1997)**

# **GEISA/IASI-03 OVERVIEW**



## GEISA/IASI-03 database general context

- The GEISA/IASI-03 database is both an extraction (spectral range 599 3001  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and a partial update of the GEISA-03 Spectroscopic database
- It is maintained and developed with the purpose of assessing the IASI measurements capabilities, within the ISSWG, in the frame of the CNES/EUMETSAT Polar System EPS preparation, by simulating high resolution radiances and/or using experimental data.

# The GEISA spectroscopic database system updated for IASI (direct radiative transfer modeling)

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The performances of the second generation vertical sounders like AIRS (Atmospheric Infrared Sounder) in the USA, and IASI (Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer) in Europe, are highly dependent on the accuracy of spectroscopic parameters of the optically active atmospheric gases. In this context, since 1974, the ARA (Atmospheric Radiation Analysis) group at LMD (Laboratoire de Météorologie Dynamique, France) has developed the GEISA (Gestion et Etude des Informations Spectroscopiques Atmosphériques: Management and Study of Atmospheric Spectroscopic Information) computer accessible database system to perform reliable radiative transfer calculations. The 2001 version of GEISA (further GEISA-01) and GEISA/IASI (GEISA version dedicated to the IASI experiment) are described. GEISA-01 database involves information on line transition parameters for 42 molecules (96 isotopic species) and contains 1 361 667 entries, between 0 and 22 656  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

## Introduction

New instruments of high resolution for sensing vertical atmosphere, like AIRS (Atmospheric Infrared Sounder: <http://www-airs.jpl.nasa.gov/>) in the USA, and IASI (Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer: <http://www-projet.cst.cnes.fr:8060/IASI/index.html>) in Europe, which have a better vertical resolution and accuracy compared to the presently available, are mainly meant for operational meteorology associated with Numerical Weather Prediction, as well as for provision of an improved knowledge of the vertical atmospheric structure and surface properties.

The performances of these sounders will be highly dependent on the present-day knowledge of accuracy of the spectroscopic parameters of the optically active atmospheric gases, since they are an essential input in the forward models used to simulate the recorded radiance spectra. Consequently, there is an acute need for comprehensive, trustworthy, and operational interactive spectroscopic databases. In this context, since 1974 the ARA (Atmospheric Radiation Analysis) group at LMD (Laboratoire de Météorologie Dynamique, France) has developed GEISA, the computer accessible database system<sup>1,3</sup> intended to reliably calculate the radiative transfer in the atmosphere using the "line-by-line and layer-by-layer" approach. This benefits the researchers in direct and inverse radiative transfer studies. Currently, GEISA is actively used in assessment of capabilities of improved atmospheric sounders.<sup>4</sup>

## GEISA spectroscopic database overview

The 1997 GEISA database,<sup>5</sup> has been partially updated in 2001 (GEISA-01). The GEISA-01 system comprises three sub-databases.

### The GEISA-01 sub-database of line transition parameters:

GEISA-01 sub-database of line transition parameters involves 42 molecules (96 isotopic species) and contains 1 361 667 entries (15 401 supplementary entries since GEISA-97), between 0 and 22 656  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

The included molecules are of interest for the Earth and other planet atmospheres ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ ,  $\text{GeH}_4$ ,  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{N}_2$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{HC}_3\text{N}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ ,  $\text{HCOOH}$ , and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ ). Among spectroscopic parameters archived in GEISA, the most important for the atmospheric radiative transfer modelling are: the line wavenumber ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) associated with a vibro-rotational transition, the line intensity ( $\text{cm}\cdot\text{molecule}^{-1}$  at 296 K), the Lorentzian collision halfwidth ( $\text{cm}^{-1}\text{atm}^{-1}$  at 296 K), the energy of the transition lower level ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ), quantum identifications for the lower and upper levels of the transition, the temperature dependence coefficient of the halfwidth, the database management identification codes for isotopes and molecules. These parameters are stored following the GEISA standard as described in Ref. 5.



# GEISA/IASI-03 database overall contents

**Spectral range: 599-3001 cm<sup>-1</sup>**

- A Sub-database on individual lines of 14 molecules (53 isotopic species) :  
**H<sub>2</sub>O, CO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, CO, CH<sub>4</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, NO, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, HNO<sub>3</sub>, OCS, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>**
- A Sub-database on absorption Cross- Sections of 6 molecules :  
**CFC-11, CFC-12, CFC-14, CCl<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, HCFC-22**
- A Sub-database on micro-physical and optical properties of atmospheric aerosols



# GEISA/IASI-03 individual lines sub-database

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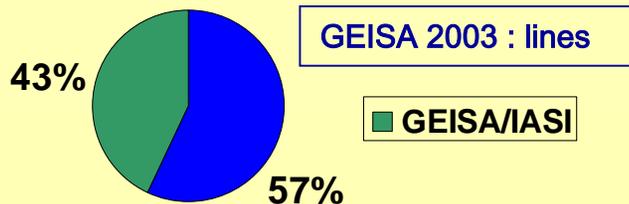
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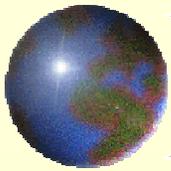
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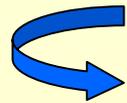
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| <u>o3</u>   | 3    | 666-668-686-667-676                 | 195102        |
| <u>n2o</u>  | 4    | 446-447-448-456-546                 | 18966         |
| co          | 5    | 26- 36- 28- 27- 38- 37              | 3674          |
| <u>ch4</u>  | 6    | 211-311 +CH3D                       | 121281        |
| o2          | 7    | 66- 67- 68                          | 435           |
| <u>no</u>   | 8    | 46- 48- 56                          | 29608         |
| so2         | 9    | 626-646                             | 22301         |
| <u>no2</u>  | 10   | 646                                 | 71687         |
| hno3        | 13   | 146                                 | 152586        |
| ocs         | 20   | 622-624-632-623-822-634-722         | 19768         |
| <u>c2h2</u> | 24   | 221-231                             | 2904          |
| n2          | 33   | 44                                  | 120           |

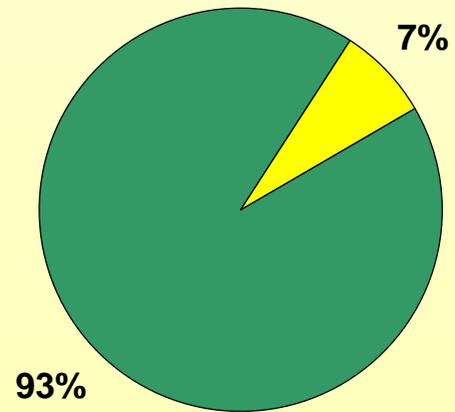
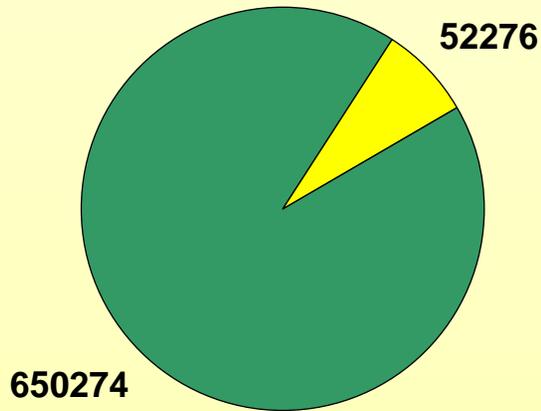
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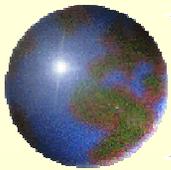




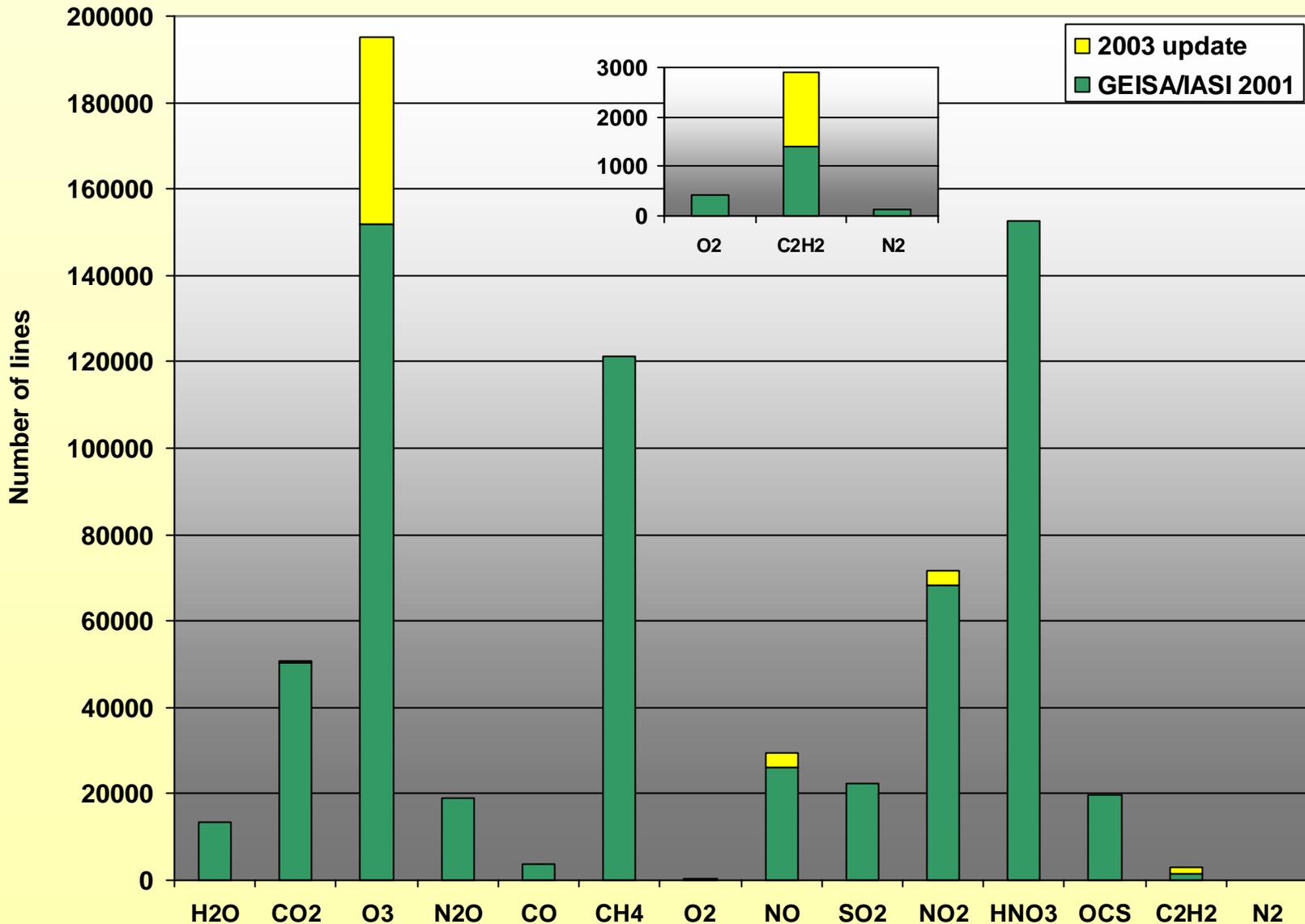
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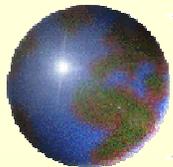
 702,550 lines





# GEISA/IASI 2003 individual lines sub-database updates





# GEISA/IASI-03 cross-sections sub-database

## GEISA/IASI-01 – 2003 NEW

| Molecule ID.<br>Formula                  | Spectral coverage<br>(cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | Temperature<br>Range (K) | Pressure<br>Range (Torr) | Number of<br>T,P sets |
|--|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| CFC11<br>CCl <sub>3</sub> F              | 810 - 880                                | 190 - 296                | 8 - 760                  | 55                    |
|  | 1050 - 1120                              | 190 - 296                | 8 - 760                  | 55                    |
|  | 500 - 1601                               | 297                      | 0                        | 1                     |
|  | 599 - 2000                               | 296                      | 700                      | 1                     |
| CFC12<br>CCl <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub> | 850 - 950                                | 190 - 296                | 8 - 760                  | 52                    |
|  | 1050 - 1120                              | 190 - 296                | 8 - 760                  | 52                    |
|  | 850 - 1190                               | 253 - 287                | 0                        | 3                     |
|  | 599 - 2000                               | 296                      | 700                      | 1                     |
| CFC-14<br>CF <sub>4</sub>                | 1250 - 1290                              | 180 - 296                | 8 - 760                  | 55                    |
|  | 599 - 2000                               | 296                      | 700                      | 1                     |
| HCFC-22<br>CHClF <sub>2</sub>            | 750 - 870                                | 216 - 294                | 0 - 760                  | 9                     |
|  | 765 - 1380                               | 181 - 297                | 20 - 765                 | 51                    |
|  | 765 - 1380                               | 253 - 287                | 0                        | 3                     |
|  | 599 - 2000                               | 296                      | 700                      | 1                     |
|  | 700 - 1500                               | 203 - 293                | 0 - 600                  | 8                     |
| CCl <sub>4</sub>                         | 750 - 812                                | 208 - 296                | 8 - 760                  | 32                    |
| N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>            | 540 - 1380                               | 205 - 293                | 0                        | 5                     |

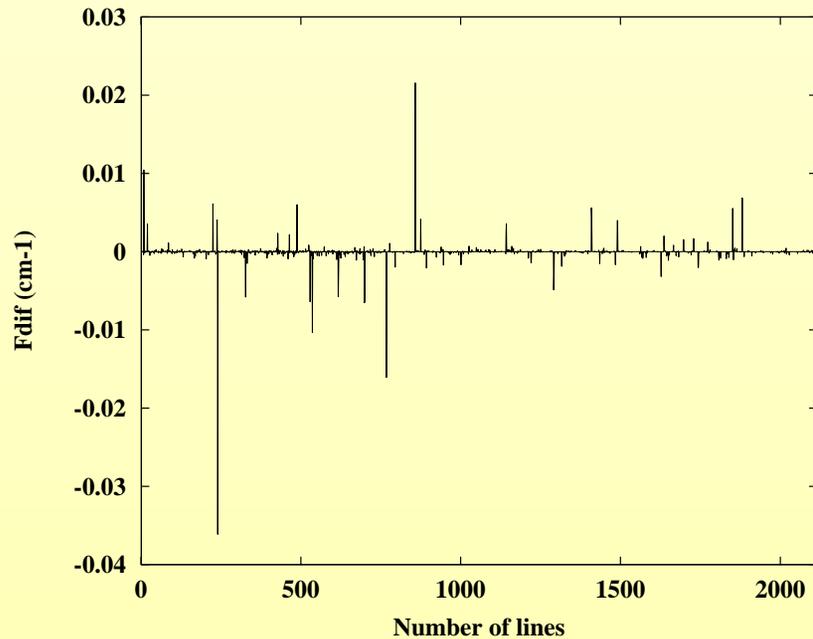
# **2003 UPDATE ILLUSTRATIONS**



# H<sub>2</sub>O update in GEISA/IASI-03: TOTH VS RAL

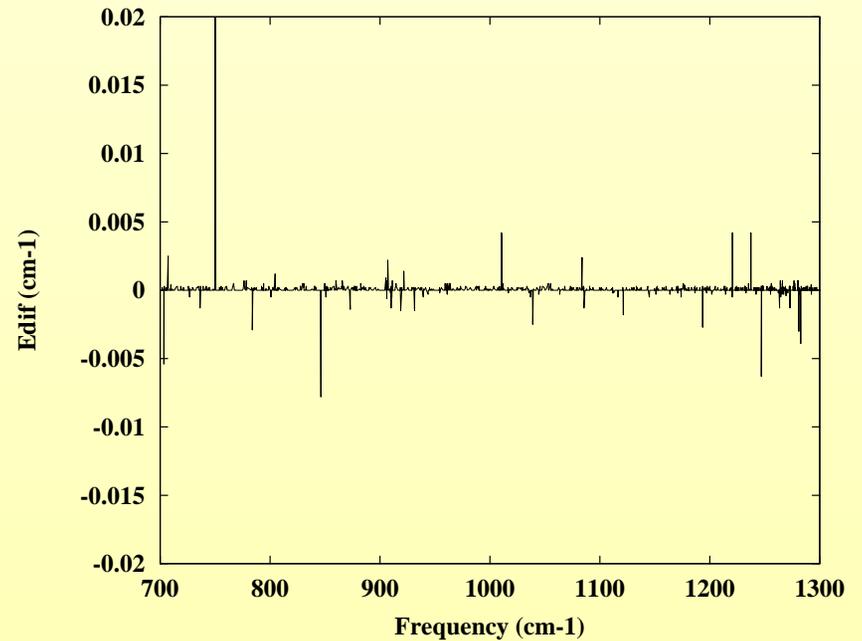
## Frequency (cm<sup>-1</sup>)

H2O RAL / geisa+toth Frequency differences :  
Fdif = [ F(RAL) - F(GS+TOT) ] in cm-1



## Ground Level Energy (cm<sup>-1</sup>)

H2O RAL / geisa+toth Ground Level Energy differences :  
Edif = [ E(RAL) - E(GS+TOT) ] in cm-1

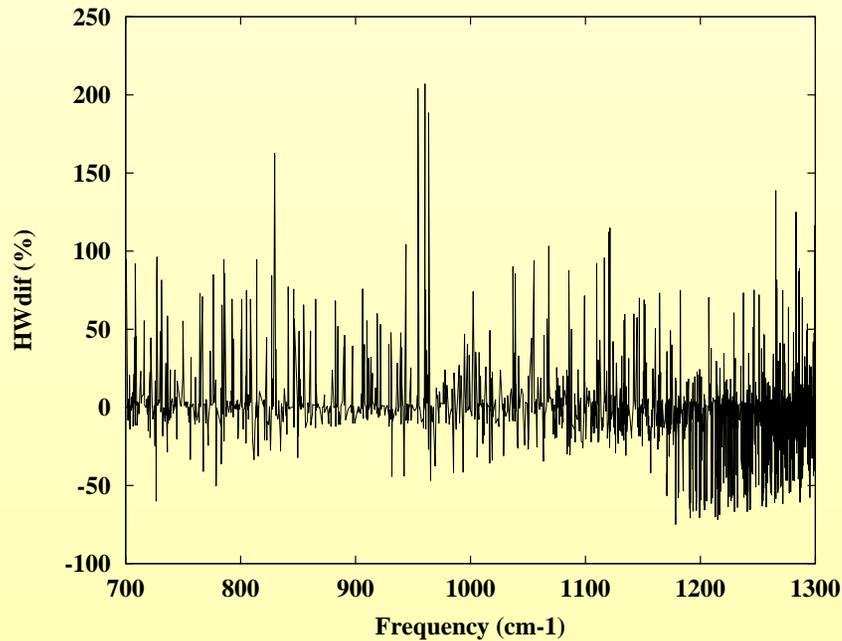




# H<sub>2</sub>O update in GEISA/IASI-03: TOTTH VS RAL

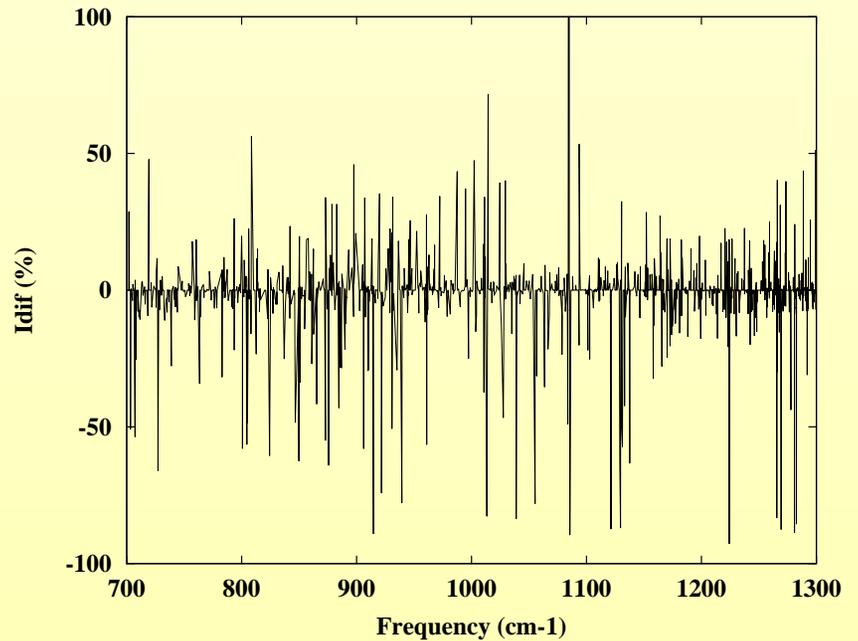
## Halfwidths (%)

H<sub>2</sub>O RAL / geisa+toth air broadened halfwidth differences :  
HWdif = [ HW(RAL) - HW(GS+TOT) ] in percent



## Intensity (%)

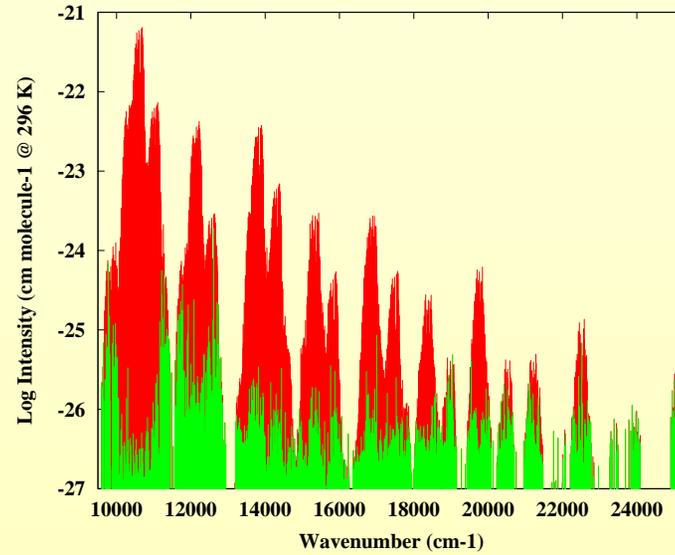
H<sub>2</sub>O RAL / geisa+toth Intensity differences :  
Idif = [ I(RAL) - I(GS+TOT) ] in percent



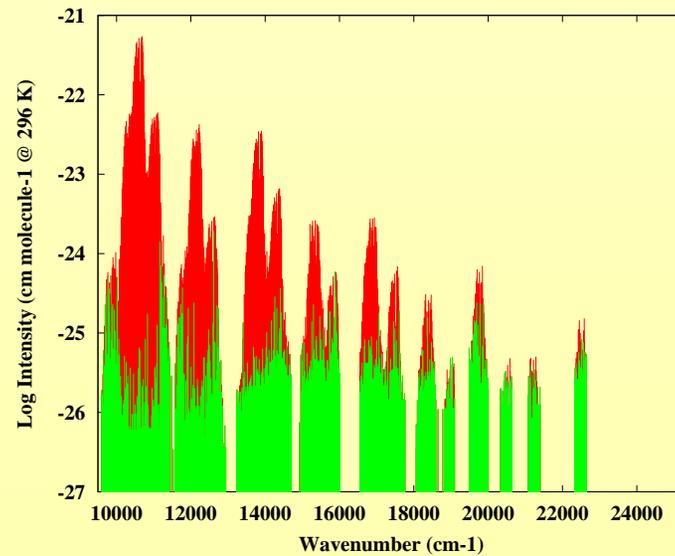


# H<sub>2</sub>O update in GEISA-03 (NIR – VISIBLE)

GEISA 2003 for H<sub>2</sub>O



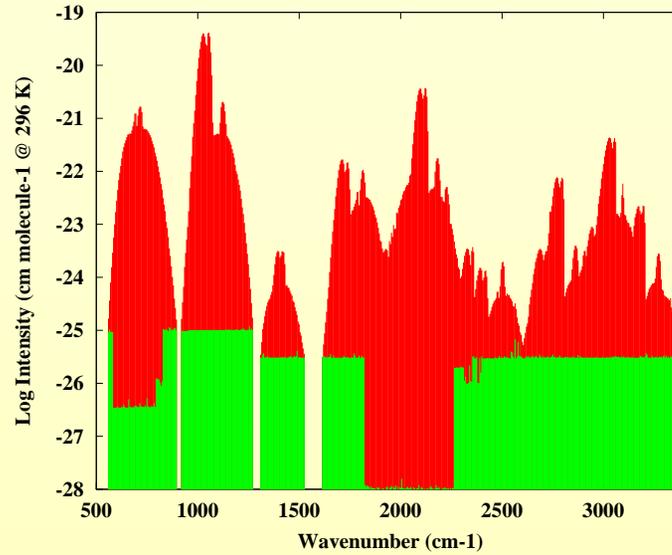
GEISA 1997 for H<sub>2</sub>O



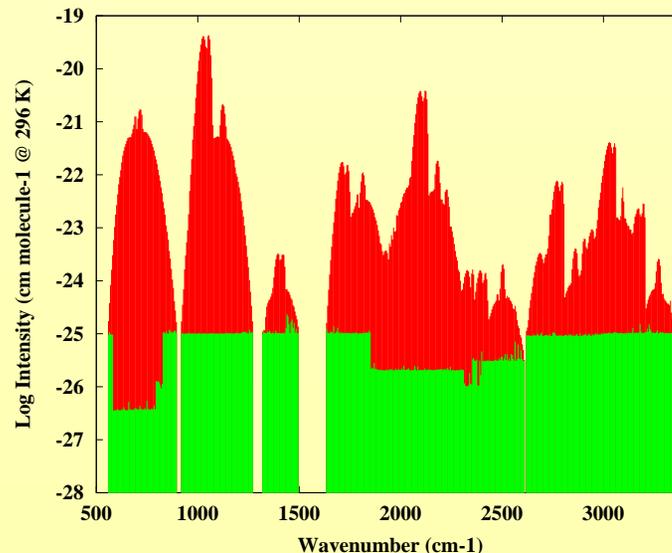


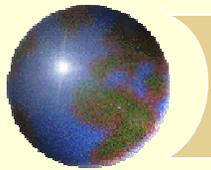
# O<sub>3</sub> update in GEISA-03

GEISA 2003 for O<sub>3</sub>



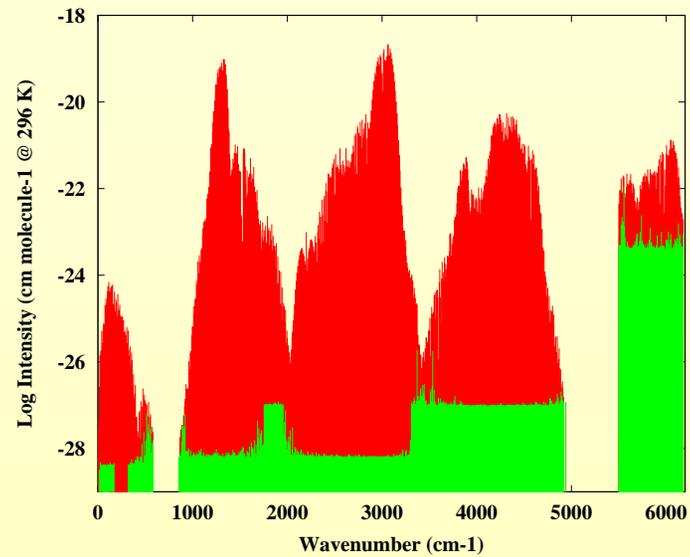
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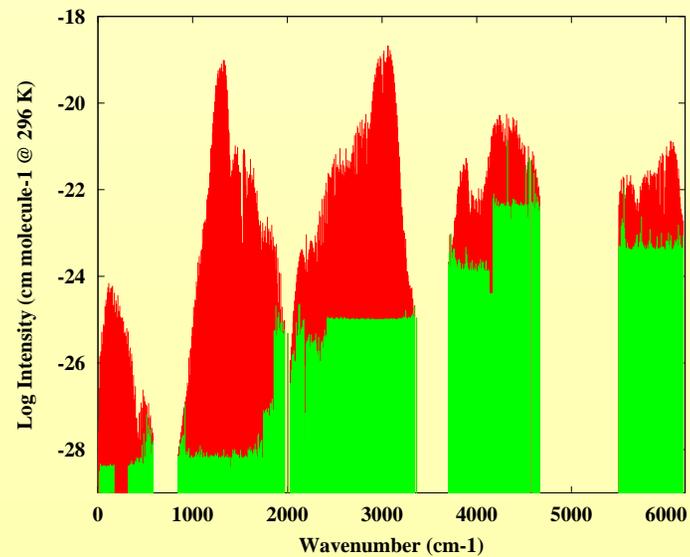


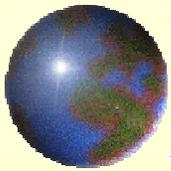
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GEISA 2003 for CH<sub>4</sub>

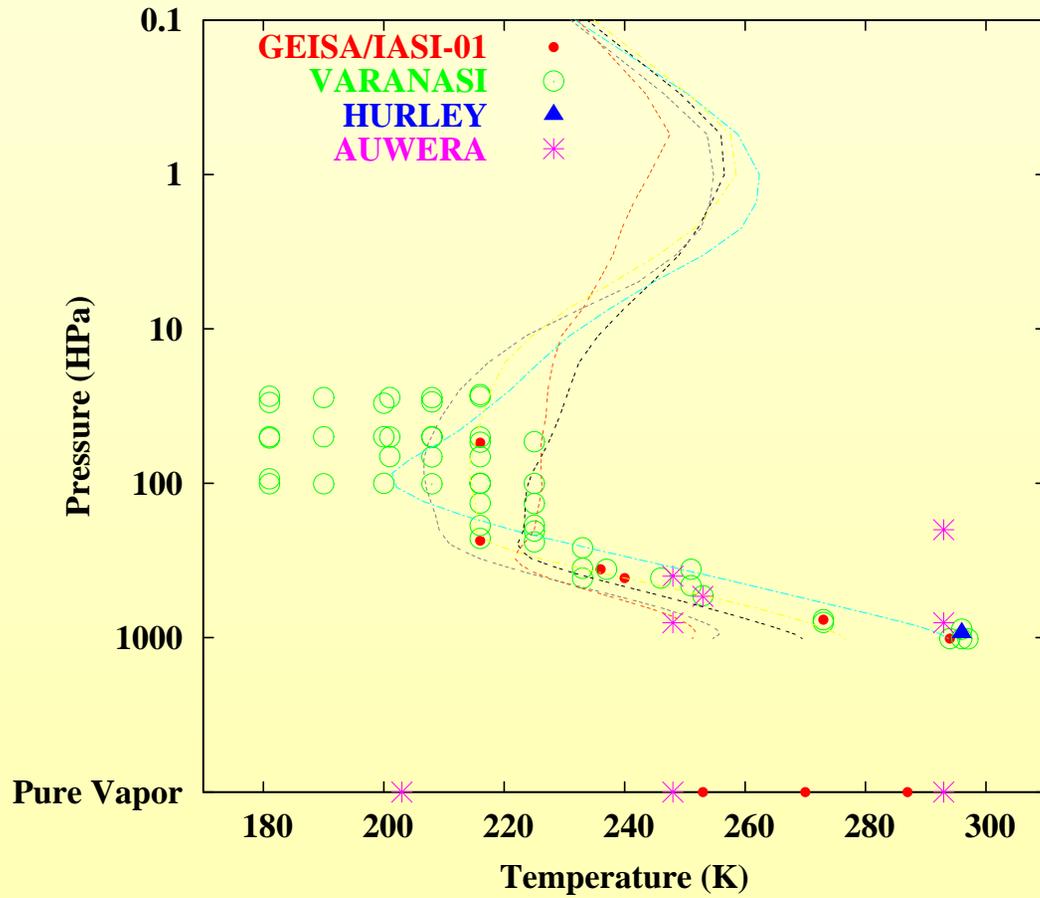


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# HCFC-22 update in GEISA/IASI-03

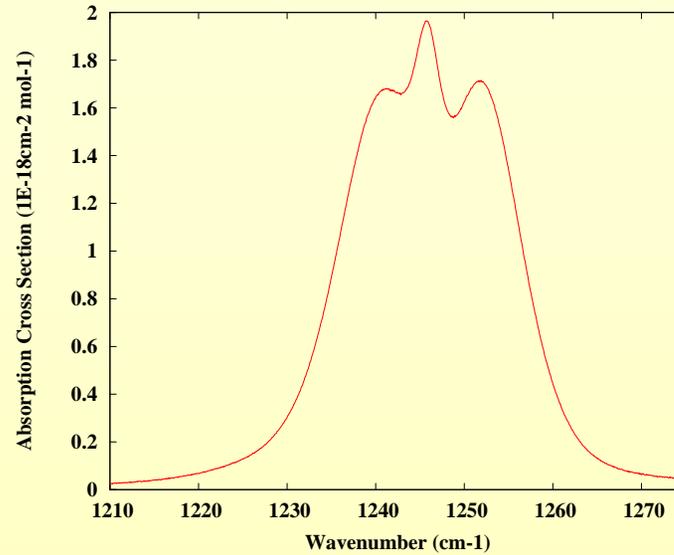


TIGR 2000 Profiles: tropical → polar

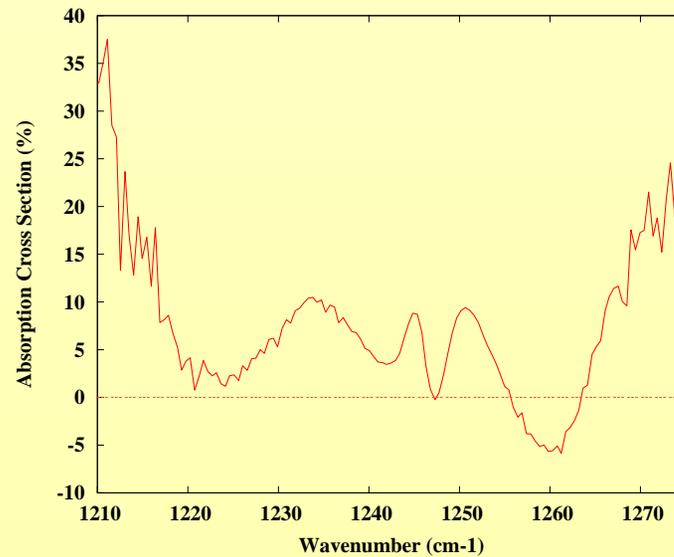


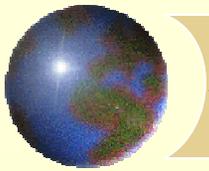
# N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> update in GEISA-03

N2O5 BIRK T=254.1 K P=0 Pa



Difference (BIRK - IASI) / IASI





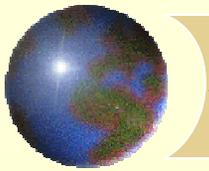
## Availability of the GEISA database

**The current GEISA database is available with its associated management software, freely from the ARA/LMD group workstations web site:**

**<http://ara.lmd.polytechnique.fr>**  
(over 350 registered users )

More complementary information and assistance will be provided upon request from:

**[jacquinet@lmd.polytechnique.fr](mailto:jacquinet@lmd.polytechnique.fr)**



# Remaining spectroscopy related problems

## Some conclusions of validation exercises, using the 4A-00/LMD Model, in the case of IASI radiative transfer modelling

1. **The water vapour spectroscopic parameters:** still need to be validated;
2. **The water vapour continuum:** more tuning to be done when more situations and situations with high water vapor content become available;
3. **The freons bands at 850 and 920  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :** refine the temperature dependence;
4.  **$\text{O}_3$  in the 9.6 micron region:** the spectroscopic parameters still need to be validated;
5. **Some  $\text{CO}_2$  – Q branches:** further improvement/tuning of the line mixing

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