

Correction for Ringing in the Calibrated Spectra of the Cross-track Infrared Sounder (CrIS)



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1. What is Ringing?

positive & negative oscillatory features from native Sinc SRF of FTS sensors e.g. from convolution of Sinc SRF & finite, non-flat spectral band responsivity

> SRF = Spectral Response Function



Ringing Oscillations: Borg et al., 2023

positive & negative oscillatory features from interaction of Sinc SRF & finite, non-flat spectral band responsivity



Borg, L.; Loveless, M.; Knuteson, R.; Revercomb, H.; Taylor, J.; Chen, Y.; Iturbide-Sanchez, F.; Tobin, D. Simulation of CrIS Radiances Accounting for Realistic Properties of the Instrument Responsivity That Result in Spectral Ringing Features. *Remote Sens.* 2023, *15*, 334. https://doi.org/10.3390/rs15020334 See this paper for a prescription for how to accurately include this ringing in calculated CrIS spectra

Sources of Ringing

- Basic ingredient: <u>Sinc Spectral Response Function</u> from the fundamental FTS approach that truncates the measurements in the Fourier Transform domain (interferogram) at a maximum Optical Path Difference
- Specific Mechanisms for CrIS
 - Finite spectral band coverage of measured spectra
 - <u>Non-flat instrument responsivity</u> inside measured bands
 - <u>Artifacts</u> of the spectral resampling and self-apodization correction steps of the calibration algorithm
 - <u>Numerical filter</u>: Lack of perfect circular sampling of original onboard numerical filter.

Black items have been minimized

CrIS Responsivity and Band-Limit Ringing

- These ringing effects are very small
- Matching calculated responsivity and band limiting rolloffs to observations removes biases
- Borg paper shows how to implement this approach
- Observation Correction approach motivated by minimizing burden on user



after Borg et al., 2023

1. Perspective & Review of CrIS

- Ringing for CrIS is very small and significant (larger than 0.1 K) only in specific spectral regions
- Ringing is receiving new attention at this point, because the well-defined CrIS Radiometric Uncertainty (RU) is <u>usually < 0.2 K 3-sigma</u>
- And new Imaging FTS instruments like MTG-IRS and the NOAA GXO Sounder bring new challenges to the forefront

3rd CrIS now on-orbit showing excellent performance



John Eyre, Met Office, UK NOAA Workshop on IR sounders 6 Dec 2021



CrIS On-orbit 3-σ Accuracy (or RU) Density plots of T_b uncertainty at scene T_b



Blackbody RU for all bands: Approximately MW lower bound **LW extra:** Non-linearity

MW extra: Non-linearity, plus Polarization

SW extra: Polarization

RU availability for every spectrum enhances value as key climate record

CrIS RU, the product of many years of development

- <u>Spectral Fidelity of Basic Fourier Transform approach</u>: stems from broad spectral band coverage of each detector, well-known SRFs, & robust spectral scale from laser reference (1970s)
 - As realized and emphasized by Jim Brault early on
 - Chosen for sounding by Bill Smith at U of Wisconsin
 - Implemented with robust dynamic alignment by <u>Henry Buijs</u>, Bomem/ABB
- Onboard Cavity Blackbody: HIS, AERI, AIRS, CrIS (1980s -)
- <u>Complex Calibration</u>: HIS Aircraft instrument (1988)
- <u>Non-linearity Correction</u>: Ground-based AERI and Scanning HIS Aircraft instruments (1990s)
- Polarization Correction: AIRS (1990s) & S/C flip maneuver (2012 -)

CrIS Noise is Excellent too



CrIS noise better than or comparable to AIRS in all 3 spectral bands

3. Basis for New Ringing Correction

- Outgrowth of a responsivity ringing correction originally presented at ITSC-21, 2017 hosted by EUMETSAT
 - That correction did not work well, as pointed out by <u>Nigel Atkinson</u> (Thanks).
 We identified the problem as using the observed spectrum for the first guess for iteration. A first guess free of responsivity-induced ringing was needed.
 - Our first guess idea actually became this correction
- Ringing originates from the high delay end of the interferogram, because it is a high resolution effect. So the correction replaces the high delay region of the Fourier Transform of observed spectra with approximations generated from calculations. A smoothly varying <u>cosine weighting is used to</u> <u>transition from the observed to a calculated interferogram at high delays</u>.
- Here, <u>the calculated option uses Principal Components (PCs) from calculated</u> <u>spectra to approximate the observed spectrum</u>. The number of PCs used is selected to avoid fitting ringing features not included in the training.

Choice of Weighting Function W (1)

- Choose cosine weight W of interferogram that

 (1) Removes most ringing artifacts at large delays
 (2) Minimizes delays replaced with calculation (1-W)
- Starting W cutoff > 0.7 cm avoids LW CO₂ resonance near x= 0.66 ± 0.03 cm
- W =1 from x=0 to x=xs cm and reaches W=0 at 0.79 cm
- Effect of noise correlation from weak apodization is will be small



Choice of Weighting Function W(2)

- Choose cosine weight W of interferogram that

 (1) Removes most ringing artifacts at large delays
 (2) Minimizes delays replaced with calculation (1-W)
- Starting W cutoff > 0.7 cm avoids LW CO₂ resonance near x= 0.66 ± 0.03 cm
- W =1 from x=0 to x=xs cm and reaches W=0 at 0.79 cm





Choice of Weighting Function W, all bands



Replacement Rolloffs

Choice of PC Number for the fit

- Following comparisons suggest that reasonable choices of PC number are between 200 and about 500 PCs for the LW
- Criteria

(1) too few PCs can distort true atmospheric spectral features, and(2) too many PCs start fitting the ringing features to be removed with the correction

• Generally, fits to higher Optical Path Differences (delays) improve as the number of PCs is increased

Joe Taylor's effort making use of Elisabeth Weisz's implementation of Bill Smith's DRDA retrievals



Observed Radiance – PCRTM Reconstructed Radiance





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4. New Ringing Correction Results

 Using Suomi NPP granule from Borg, et al. Ringing Paper, 20 Jan 2016 Nighttime, Clear Ocean 900 cm⁻¹





Std. Dev(900cm⁻¹ Radiance) < 0.3 (900cm⁻¹ BT – ECMWF Skt) < 2 K

• Results suggest some new ringing contributions may exist

Ringing Correction, Suomi NPP, 350 PCs



Region of major differences in MW band suggest some new ringing contributions may exist, but small deficiencies of the calculated PCs are possible and still need to be investigated

5. New Ringing Correction Summary

- The new approach basically applies a very weak apodization, but replaces the small lost interferogram region with a fit to the observation using calculated PCs
- The primary information content is retained, while most ringing features are forced to agree with calculations, <u>leaving Obs-Calcs largely free of ringing</u>
- This is certainly still a "work in progress", but promises to remove most remaining ringing features
- Note: An instrument responsivity with high frequency channeling side-bands like that recently explored by Dussarrat et al for MTG-IRS will probably not be adequately handled by this approach that depends on ringing dominantly affecting large delays where little primary information resides. Their correction for channeling could be followed by this type of correction, if necessary.
- Final note: While the application of <u>commonly used apodization</u> like Hamming may appear to remove ringing, any rigorous use that preserves information content also preserves ringing, and <u>is not an effective correction</u>