

Effect of meteorological data in carbon cycle inverse model

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The CO₂ is one of the most important greenhouse gases. However, we do not fully understand its sources and sinks distributions. The inverse model is one of the most useful tools to estimate them. Up to now, we usually use specific year's meteorological data in inverse model (Baker et al., 2006). In this study, we have adopted Japanese Re-Analysis 25 year's meteorological data in inverse model (forward calculation). We have tested 3 types of experiment as below.

1. Calculate transport matrix from the specific year's meteorological data in inverse model.
2. Calculate transport matrix from the re-analysis meteorological data in inverse model.
3. Use averaged transport matrix (experiment 2) in inverse model.

There is little difference in estimated global CO₂ flux between the three experiments. This means that the traditional (specific year's meteorological data in transport matrix) inverse model has some rationality in estimate global CO₂ flux. The other hand, there are some difference in the observational data selection rate (Maki et al., 2005) and analysis error between them. In both issues, the experiment 2 and 3 shows good performance than the experiment 1. This shows that we can enlarge the number of observational data and obtain more robust CO₂ analysis when we adopt real meteorological field in inverse model.

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