Spatiotemporal variability of ammonia from satellite



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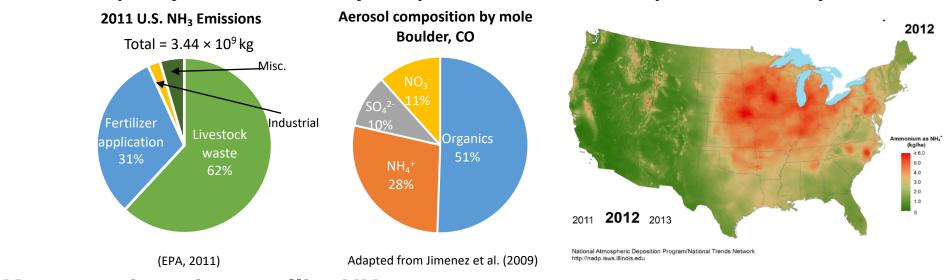






Motivation

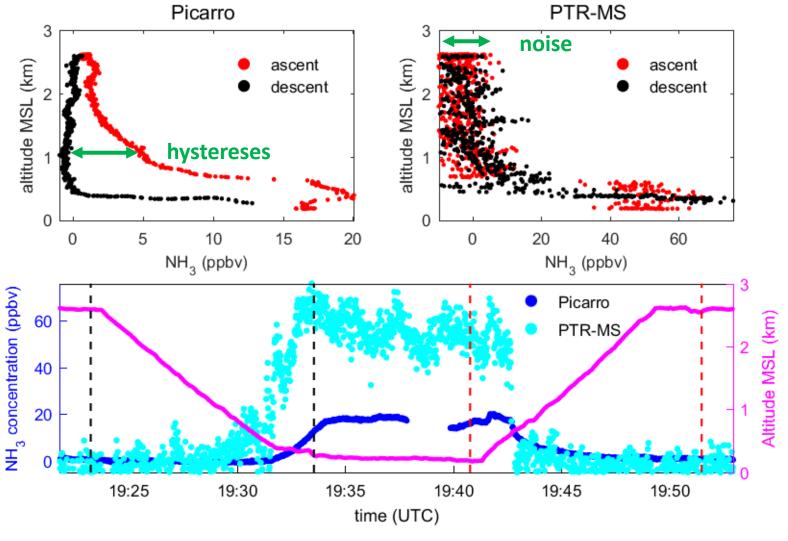
Emissions poorly constrained: Key component of PM2.5: N-deposition in ecosystems:



Key questions for satellite NH₃:

- What are the accuracy/precision of the satellite NH₃ products (IASI, CrIS)?
 e.g. inversions, thermal contrast, extent of pollution, sensitivity to boundary layer
- How representative are overpass times?
 e.g. synthesizing IASI and CrIS, daytime bias of NH₃ volatilization
- To what extent (duration) can satellite NH₃ be used for spatiotemporal mapping?
 What are weekly-seasonal-annual emissions inventories?

Validation of IASI and CrIS NH₃: progress and challenges



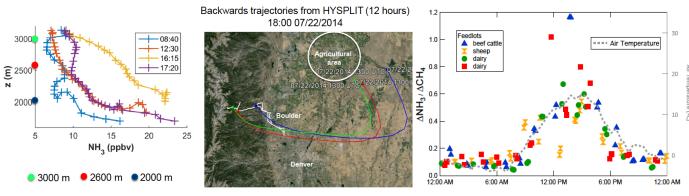
- (-) Unlike other tracers, NH₃ in-situ datasets limited, large uncertainties
- (+) IASI and CrIS clearly see moderate pollution at the single pixel level

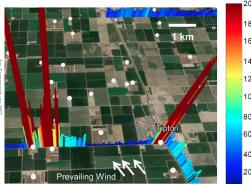
Ammonia emissions, deposition, and transport from agricultural regions

What are sources of N-deposition in Rocky Mtn. Natl. Park? Flux measurements CAFO emissions RMNP NH₃ fluxes 0.10 Normalized frequehcy 0.08 0.06 0.04 0.02 0.00

Upslope Flux: -2.0 ng/m²/s Downslope Flux: -0.1 ng/m²/s

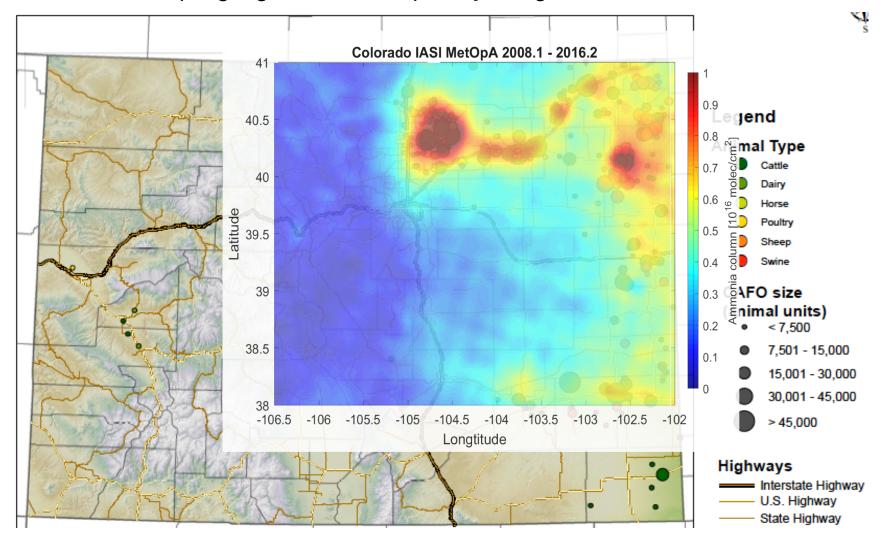
NH₃ flux (ng/m²/s)





Ammonia measurements in northeast Colorado

IASI oversampling algorithm developed by Kang Sun – effective ~ 2 km resolution



Agriculture dominating NH₃ deposition in mountain ecosystems along Front Range

Future work: seasonal patterns, NH₃ lifetime estimate, and CrIS NH₃ maps

Future work	
• comparison of IASI and CrIS NH₃	
• seasonal and annual maps of NH ₃ in other regions	
• working with stakeholders on NH ₃ emission inventories (CMAQ)	
• large, episodic emissions with fertilizer application, PM2.5 increases	
Posters	
Da Pan:	
Intercomparison of Ammonia Observations from Policy Making Perspective	
Xuehui Guo:	
Feasibility of Using IASI Satellite NH3 for Air Quality Monitoring	
Rui Wang:	
Validation of CrIS NH₃ Observations in the San Joaquin Valley during	DISCOVER-AQ