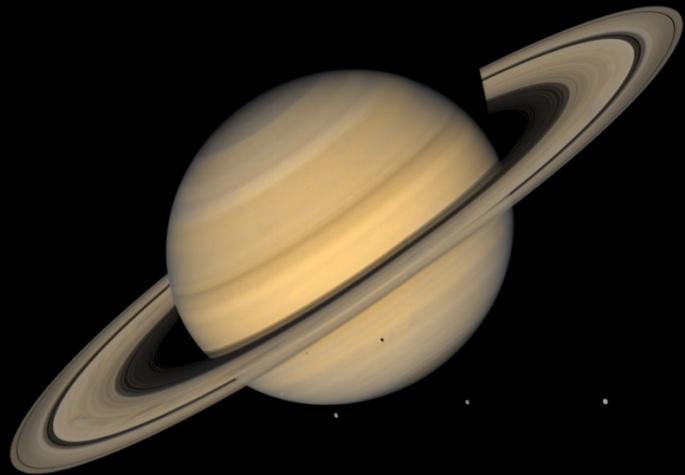


# Where is Saturn's Deuterium Hiding?



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# Outline

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- Why do we care?
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# CASSINI INTERPLANETARY TRAJECTORY

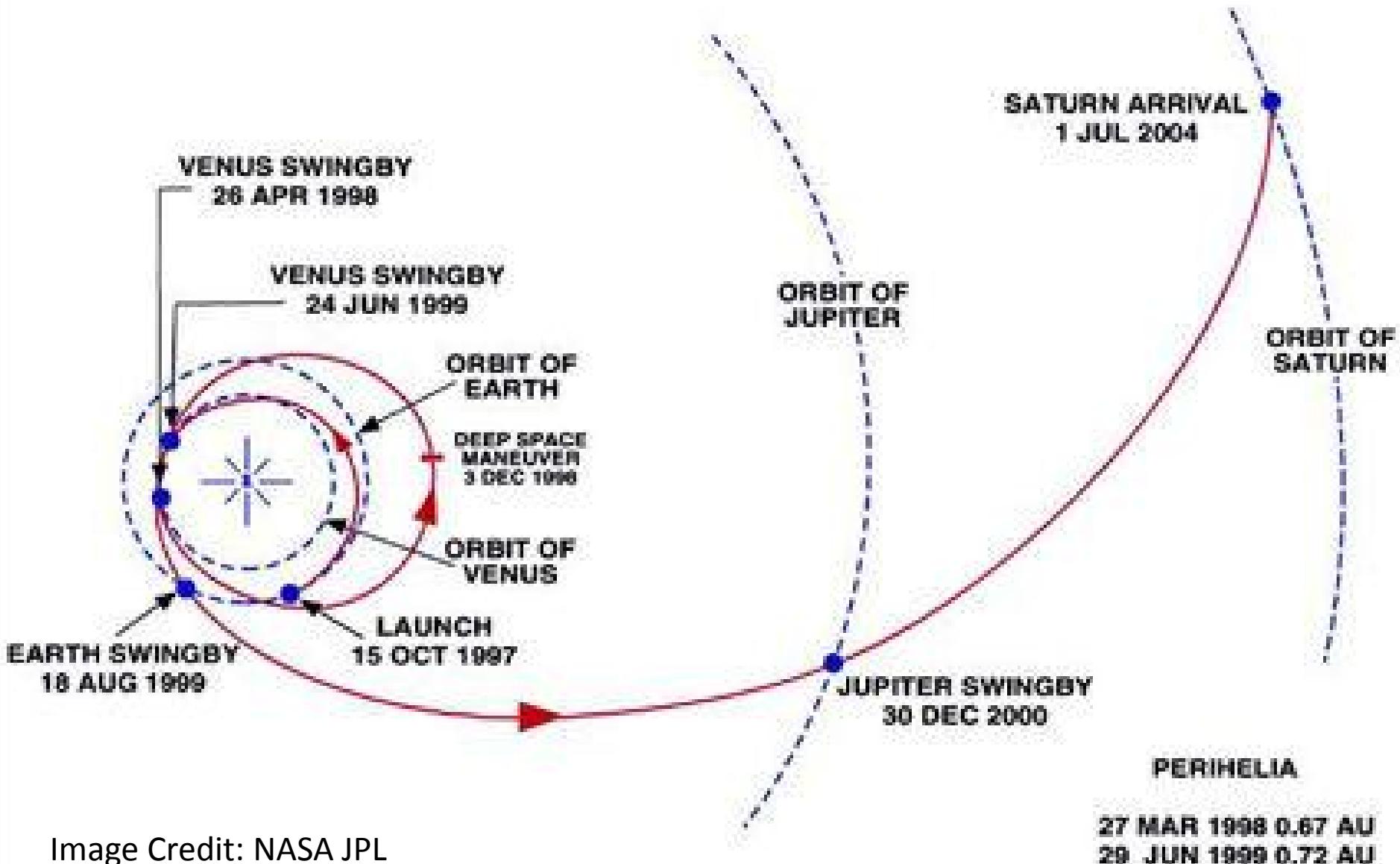


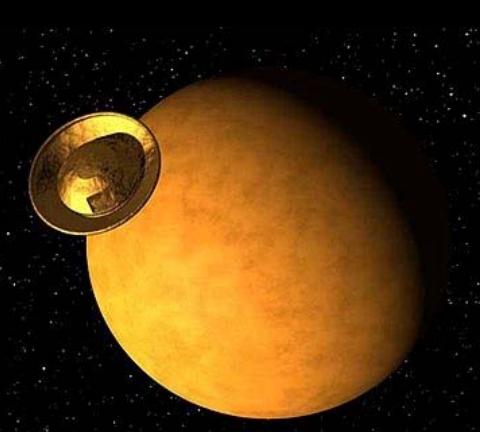
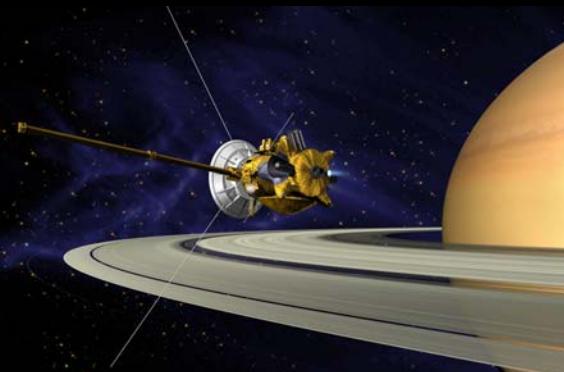
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# Cassini-Huygens Timeline

- October 1997: Cassini-Huygens is launched
- December 2000: Flyby of Jupiter
- July 2004: Arrival at Saturnian System
- January 2005: Huygens probe reaches Titan
- 2004-Present: Orbiting Saturnian system gathering data

# Specifications

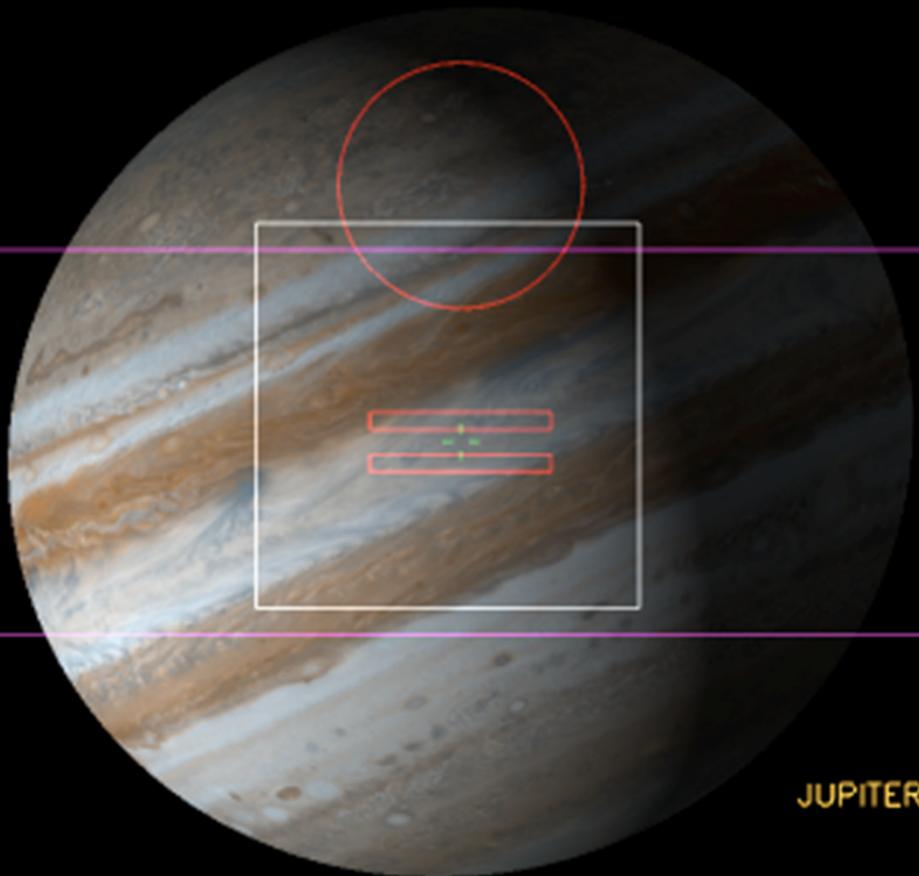
- 700 Watts of power
  - Radioisotope Thermoelectric Generators (RTGs)
- Cassini: 12 science instruments
- Huygens: 6 science instruments
- 27 science investigations



# Composite Infrared Spectrometer (CIRS)

- 2 interferometers
  - Mid-Infrared
  - Far-Infrared
- Range of  $10\text{-}1400\text{ cm}^{-1}$
- Average operating power: 26.37 W
- Peak Data Rate: 6 KB/sec

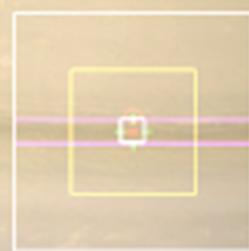
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1.7° field of view



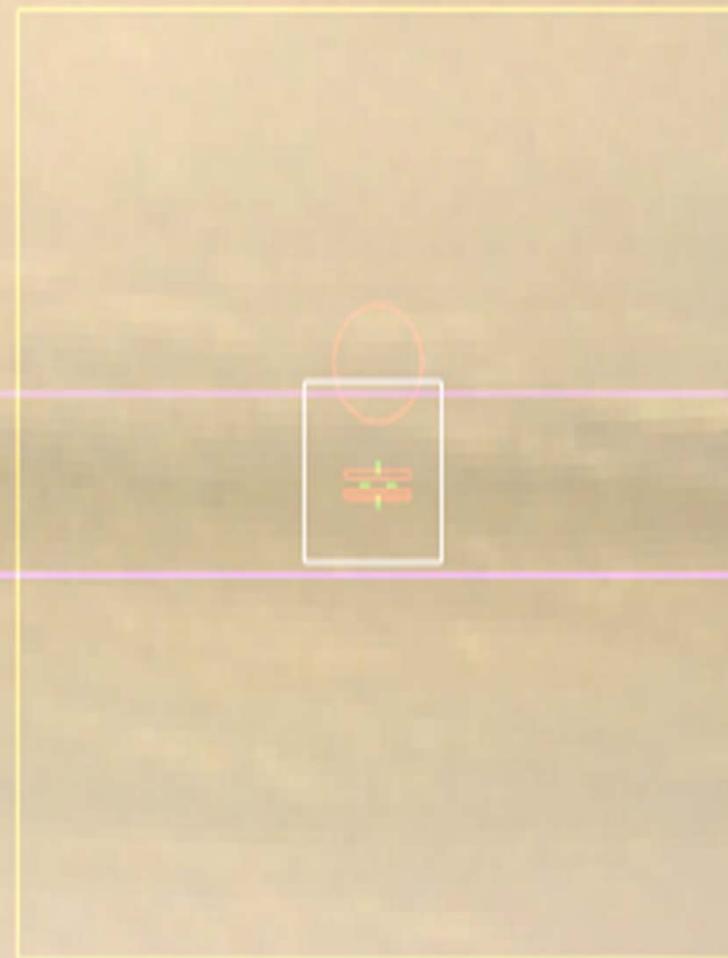
View of SATURN from CASSINI  
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View of SATURN from CASSINI  
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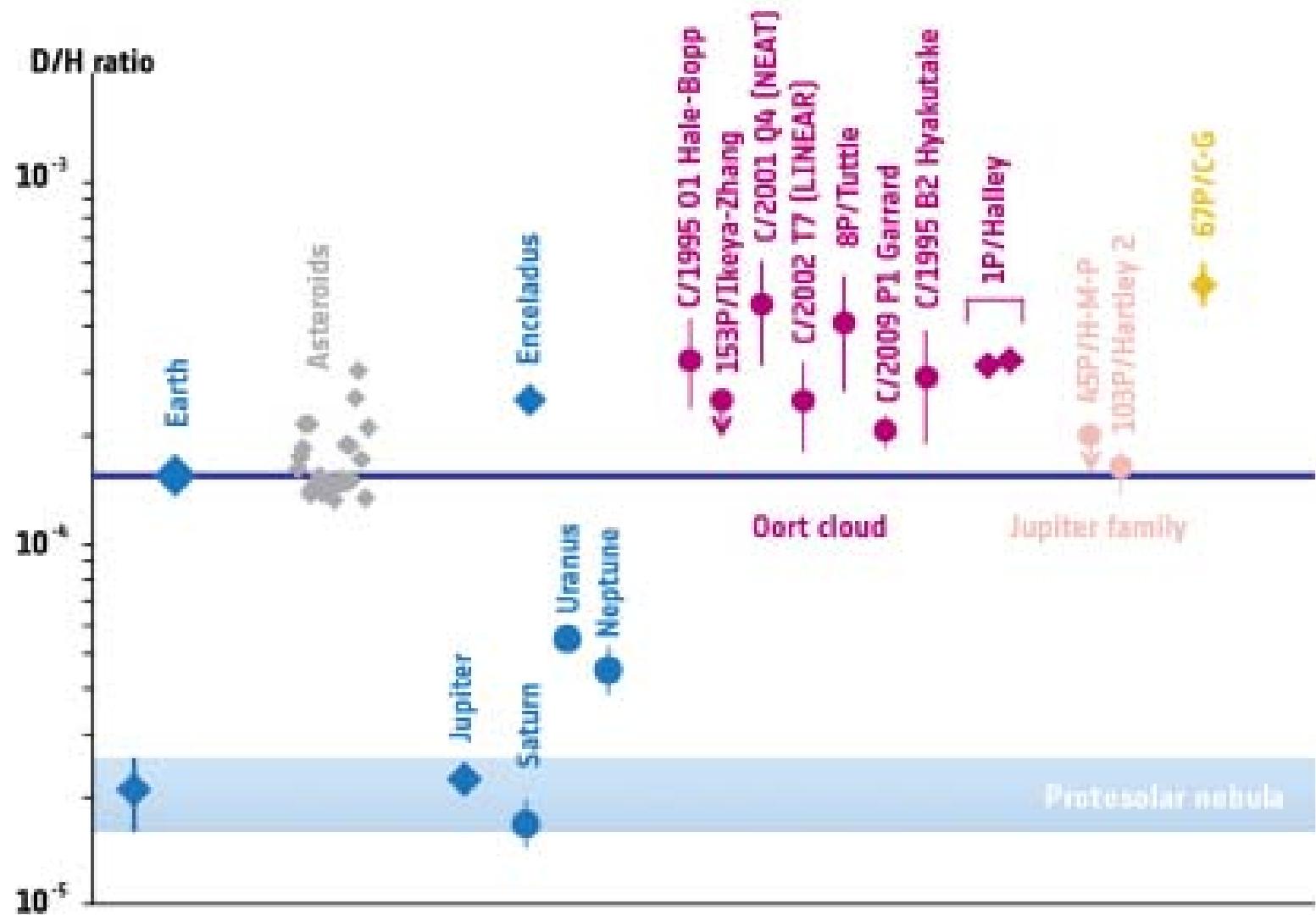
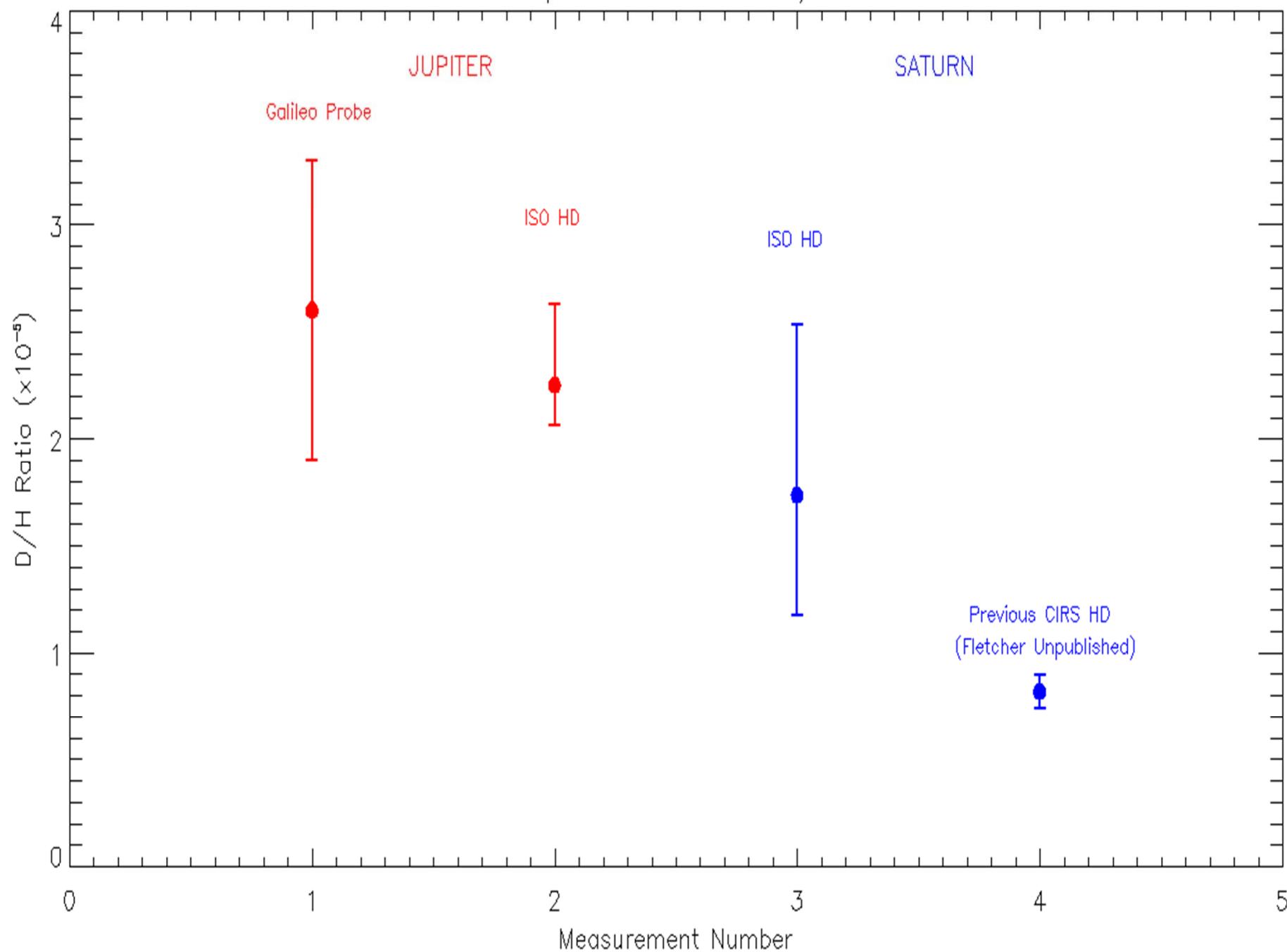


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# Jupiter and Saturn D/H



# Saturn Observations

- Time period: 2004-2009 (pre-storm)
- $\sim 10\text{-}15^\circ$  latitude bins  $60^\circ\text{S}$  to  $60^\circ\text{N}$
- Emission angle  $< 30^\circ$
- Using apodized ( $.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) data  $\sim 35\text{-}400 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  from FP1,  $1250\text{-}1315 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  from FP4
- DS4000 Database (high S/N)
- $> 1000$  spectra per FP1 average

# Spectral Modeling

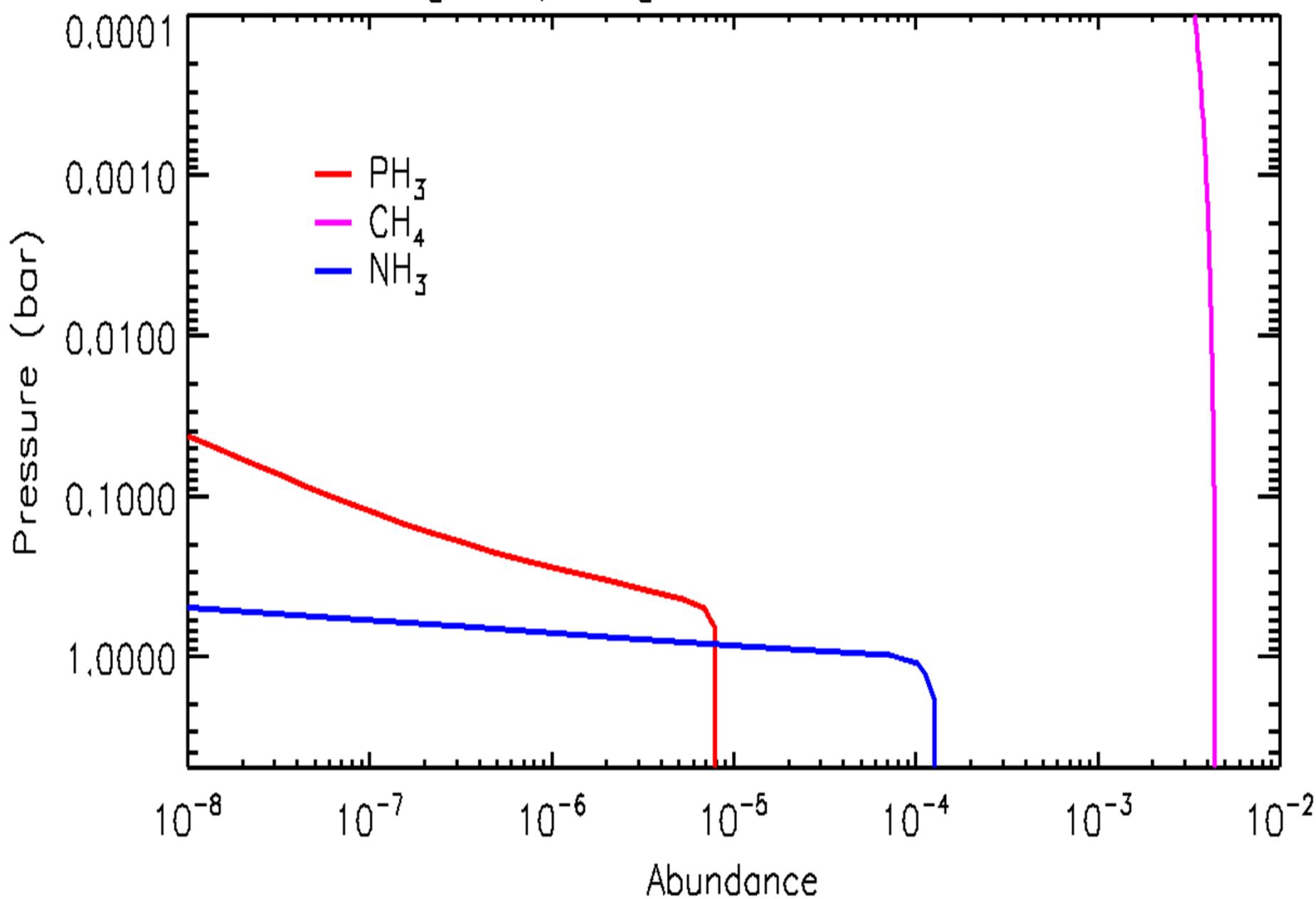
- Using NEMESIS retrieval model (Irwin et al.)
- Correlated-K used for line opacities
  - Construct line-by-line and band model based k distributions
  - Preserves monochromatic structure of the atmosphere at different pressures
  - Significantly faster than line-by-line retrievals
- HITRAN12 line data
- Used post HITRAN12 HD quadrupole lines
  - Previous R(1):  $2.375 \times 10^{-27}$  [cm-1/(molec cm-2)]
  - New R(1):  $2.532 \times 10^{-27}$  [cm-1/(molec cm-2)]
  - Recalculated 4<sup>th</sup> order polynomial partition function

# Initial NEMESIS Retrieval Conditions-No HD

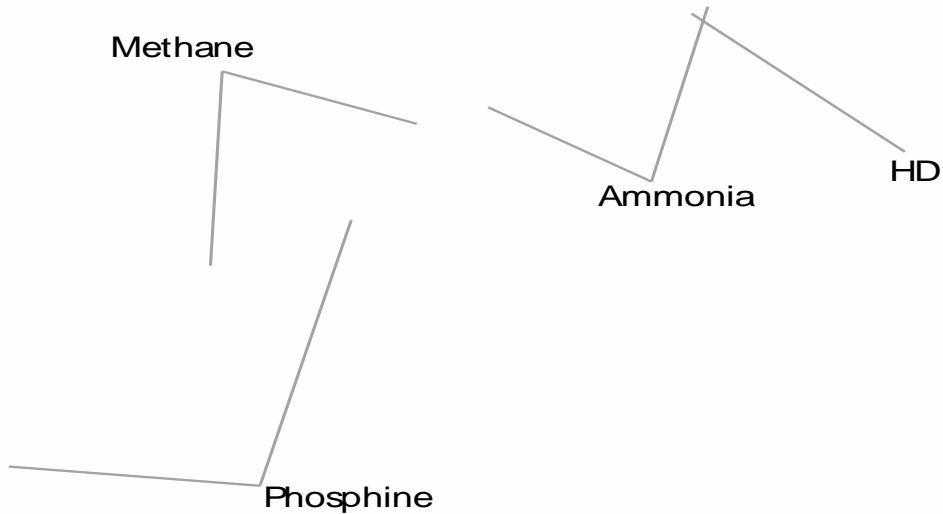
- Temperature
  - Full vertical profile
  - Retrieve continuous profile
- Para-H<sub>2</sub> fraction
  - Calculate equilibrium Para-H<sub>2</sub> as a function of temperature
  - Retrieve continuous profile with equilibrium as a priori
- PH<sub>3</sub> 3-parameter model
  - Knee pressure retrieved, starting at 550 mbar
  - Deep VMR retrieved, starting at 1E-6
  - FSH retrieved, starting at .25
- NH<sub>3</sub> 3-parameter model
  - Knee pressure retrieved, starting at 1 bar
  - Deep VMR retrieved, starting at 1E-4
  - FSH retrieved, starting at .1
- CH<sub>4</sub> profile scaling
  - Retrieve a scalar for the a priori profile

$$S1: X = X_0 \left( \frac{p}{p_0} \right)^{1/f-1}$$

# $\text{PH}_3$ , $\text{CH}_4$ , $\text{NH}_3$ Retrieved Abundance



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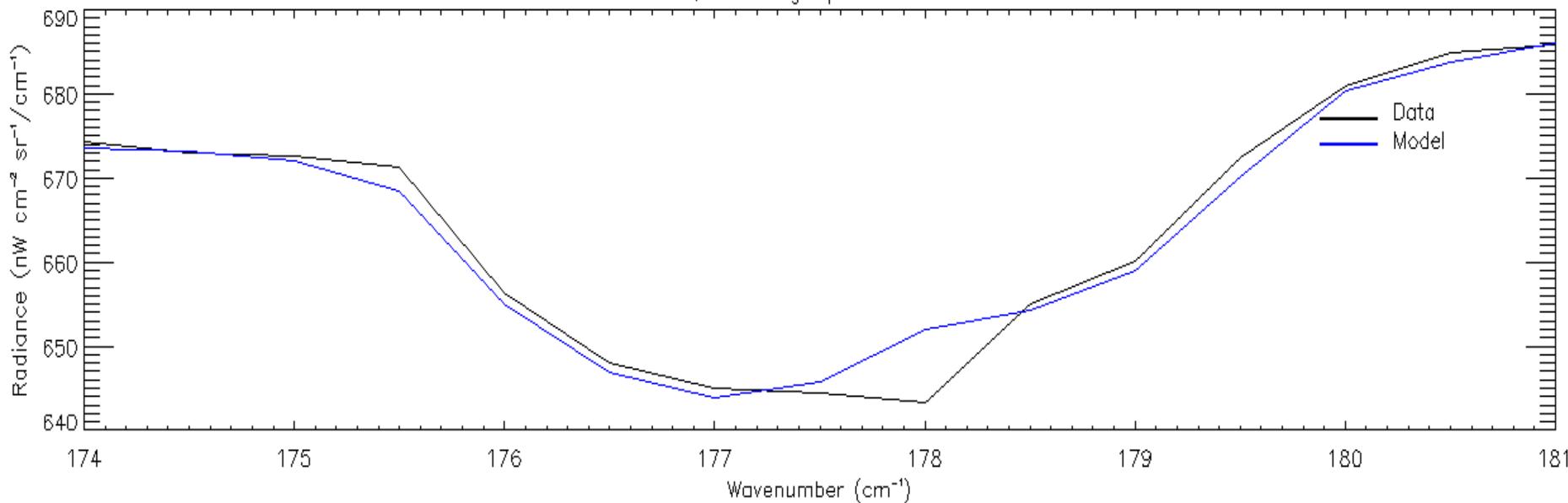


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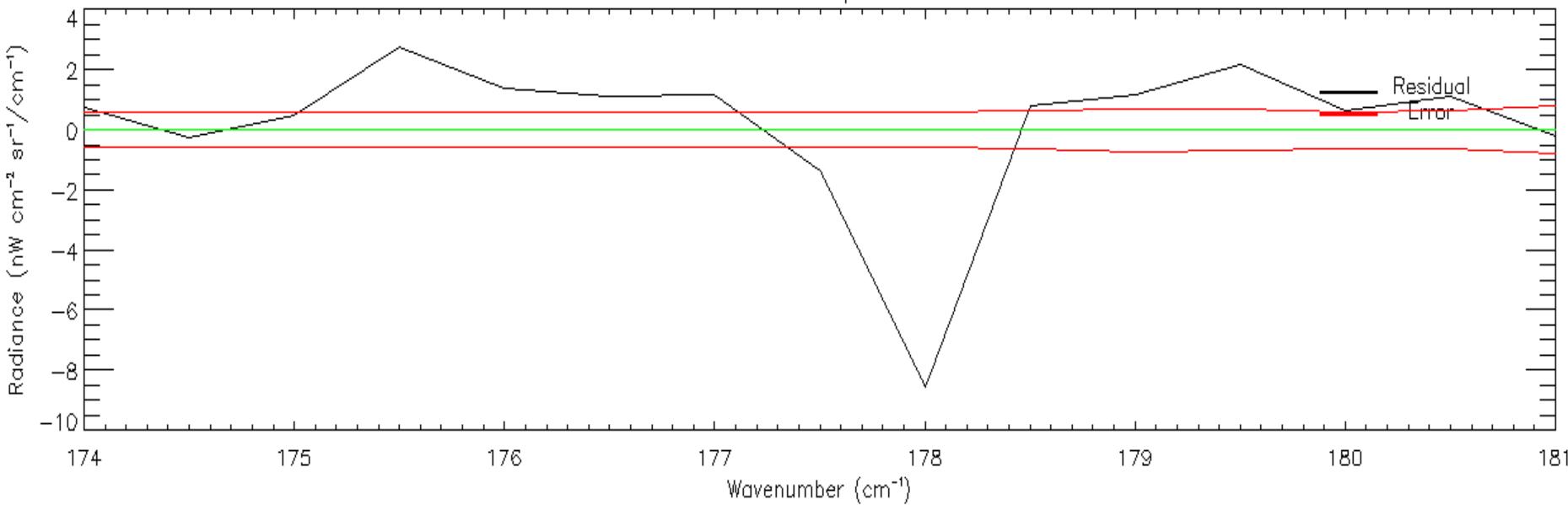
**HD R(1) →**

# 178 cm<sup>-1</sup> R(1) line region

Saturn, Planetographic latitude=41



Difference Spectrum

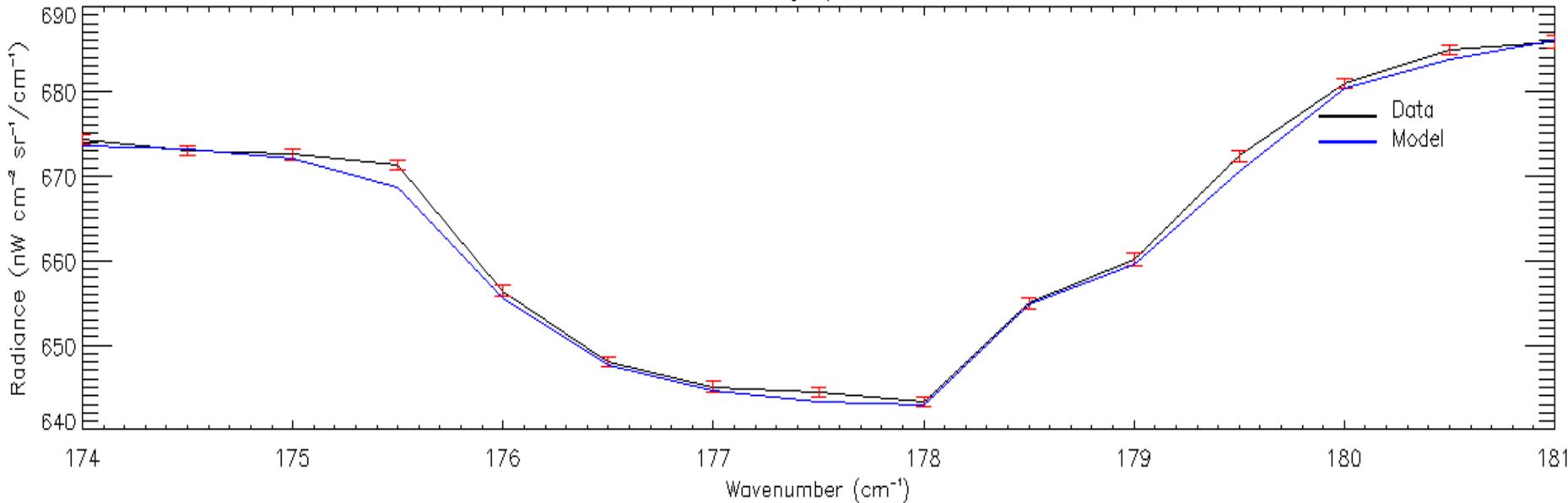


# NEMESIS Retrieval-With HD

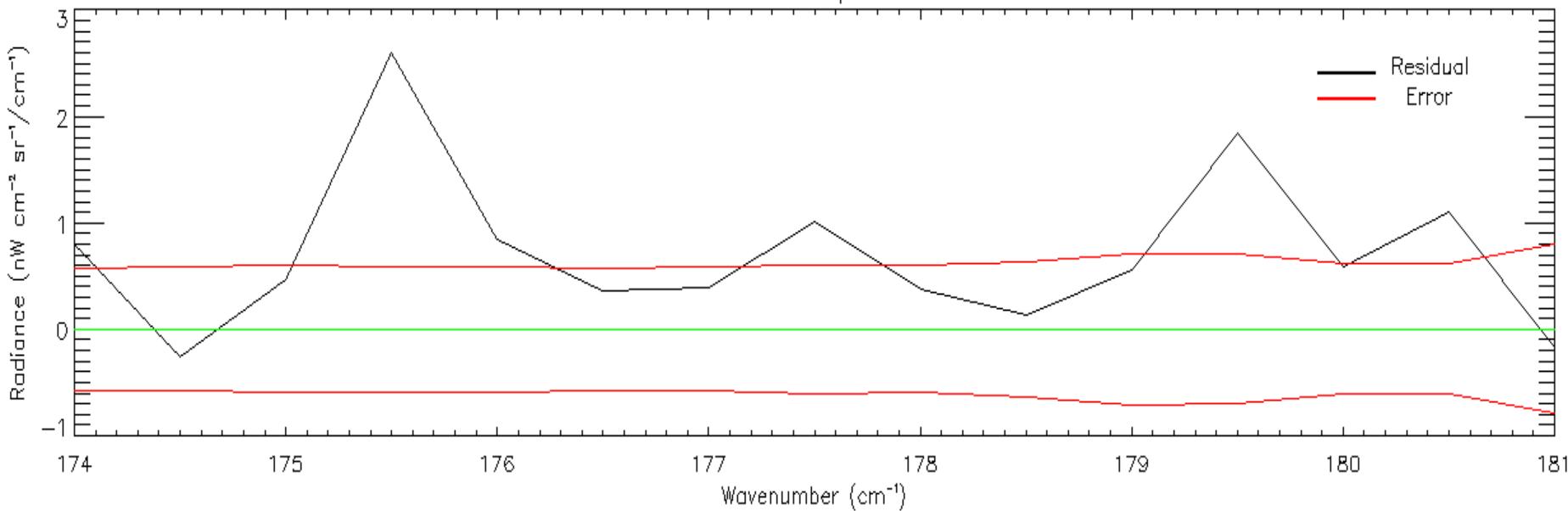
- All other retrieval parameters are the same
- HD
  - Line data from HITRAN12 update
  - K-table created from above data
  - Assumed well-mixed (constant VMR of  $3 \times 10^{-5}$ )

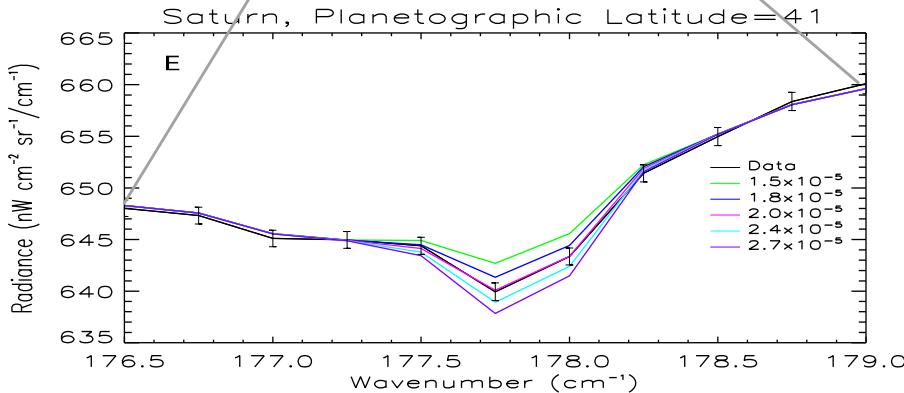
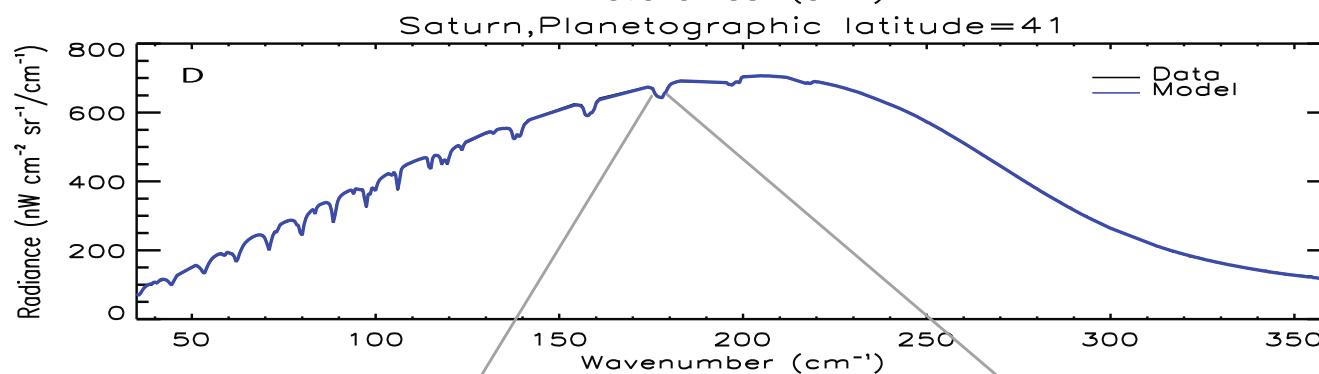
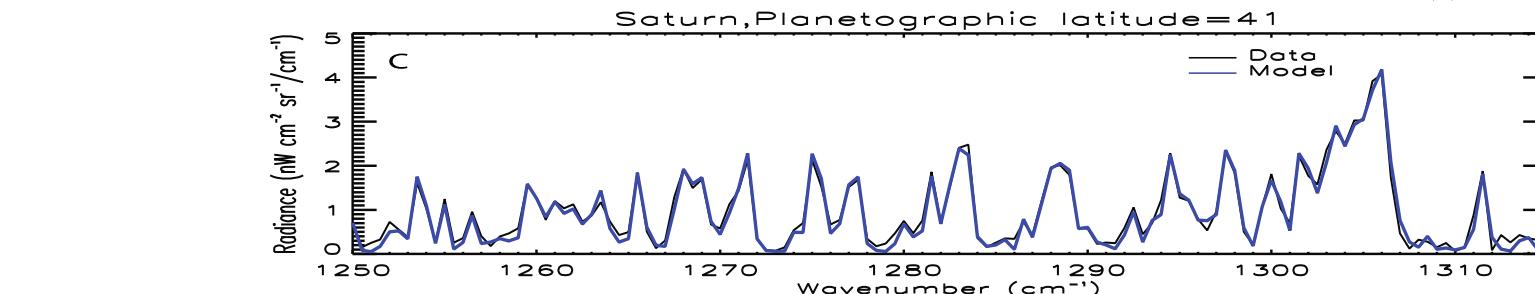
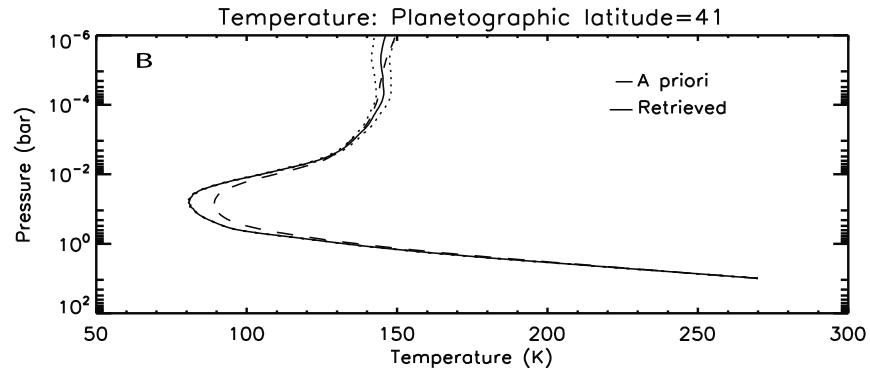
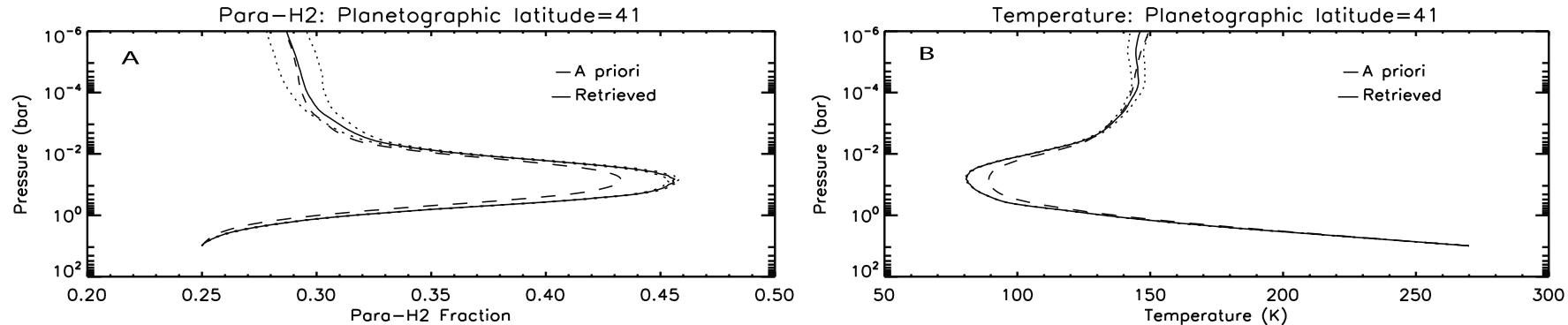
# 178 cm<sup>-1</sup> R(1) line region with errors

Saturn, Planetographic latitude=41



Difference Spectrum



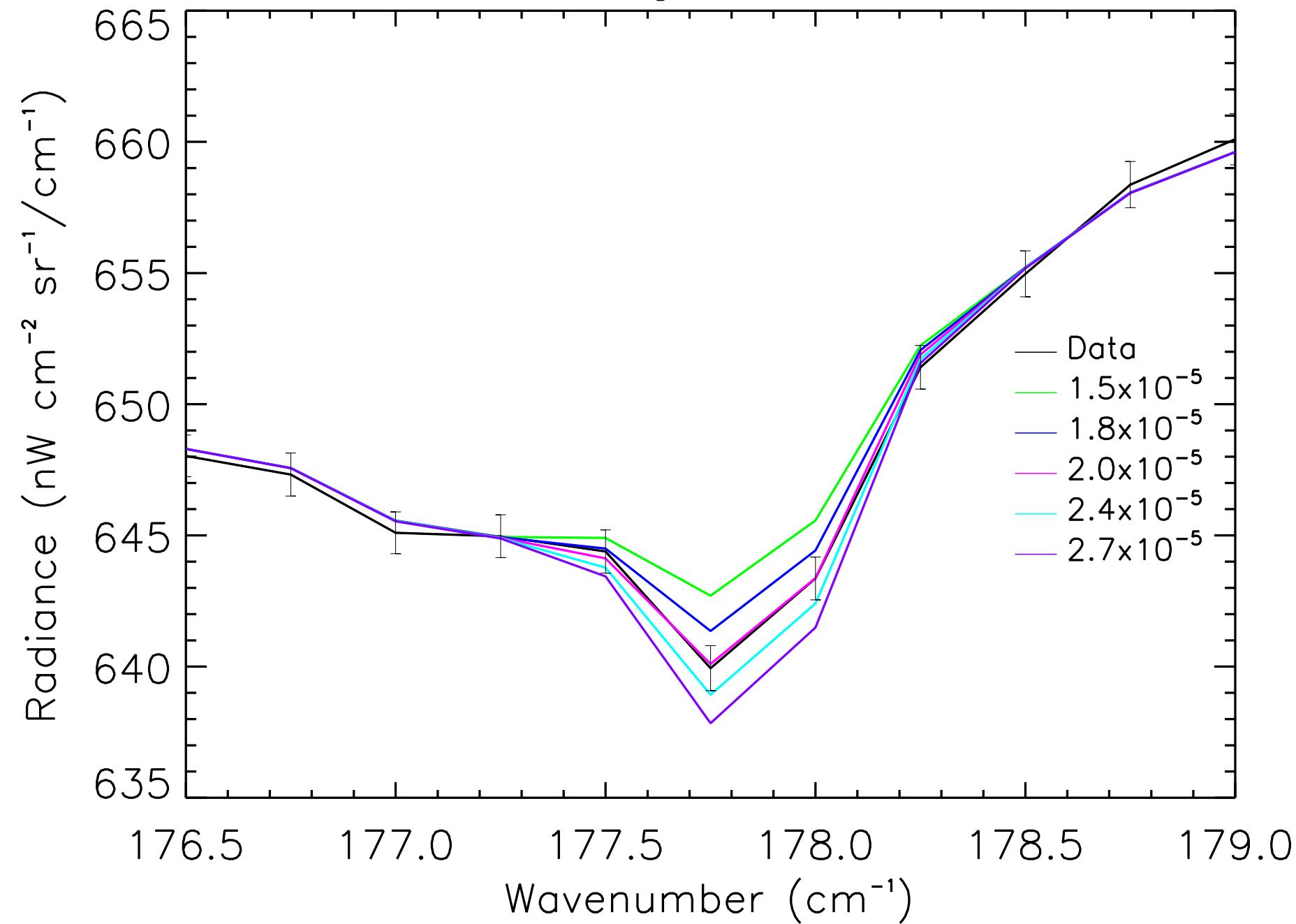


# Forward Models

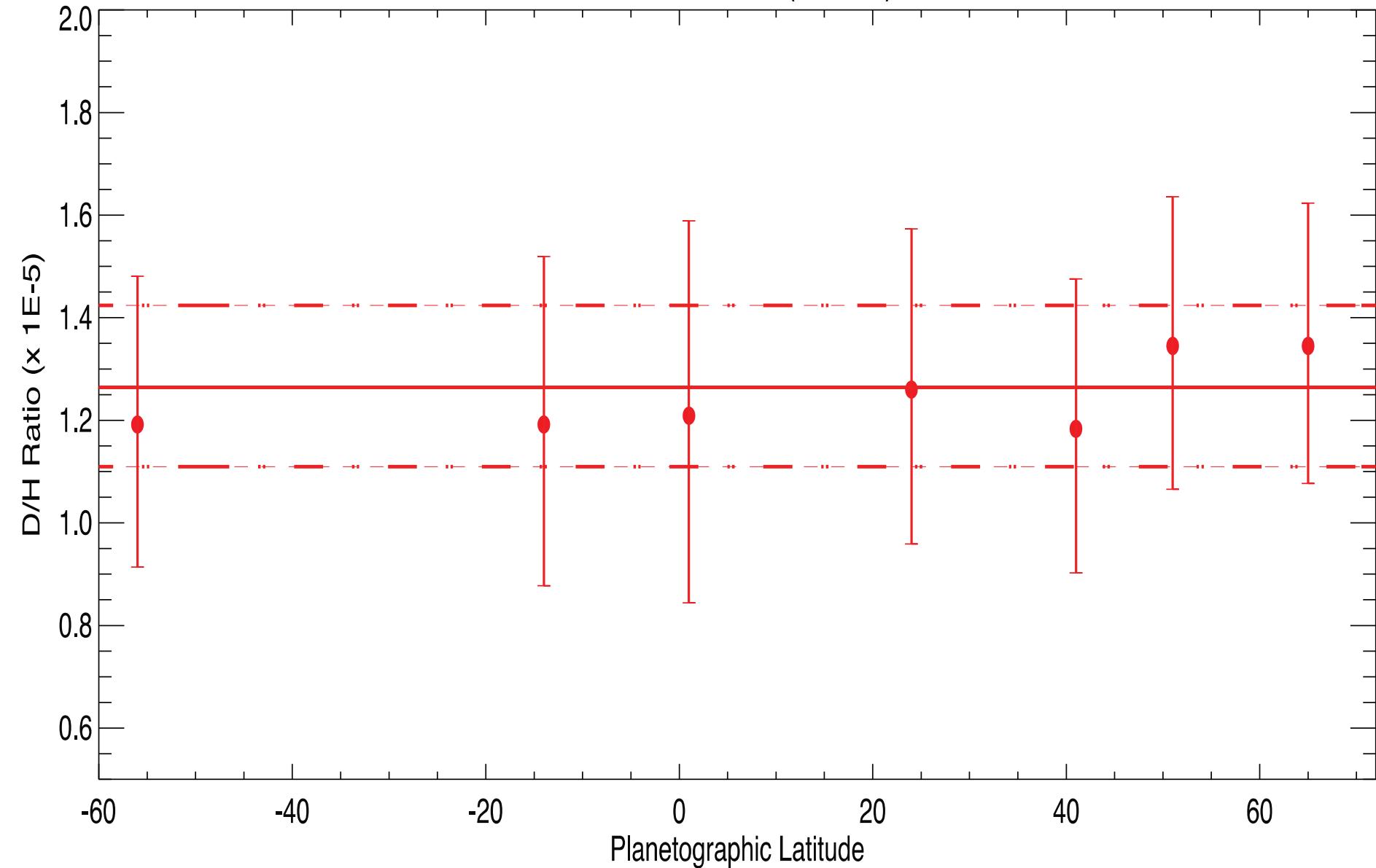
- Use all retrieved parameters (except HD) as a priori for series of forward models
- Use  $.5\text{cm}^{-1}$  data regridded to  $.25\text{cm}^{-1}$ (NESR scaled by  $\sqrt{2}$  )
- D/H calculated using  $qH_2=.882$  (Conrath and Gautier)

$$D/H = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{[HD]}{[H_2]}$$

# Saturn, Planetographic Latitude=41



# This Work D/H (Saturn)

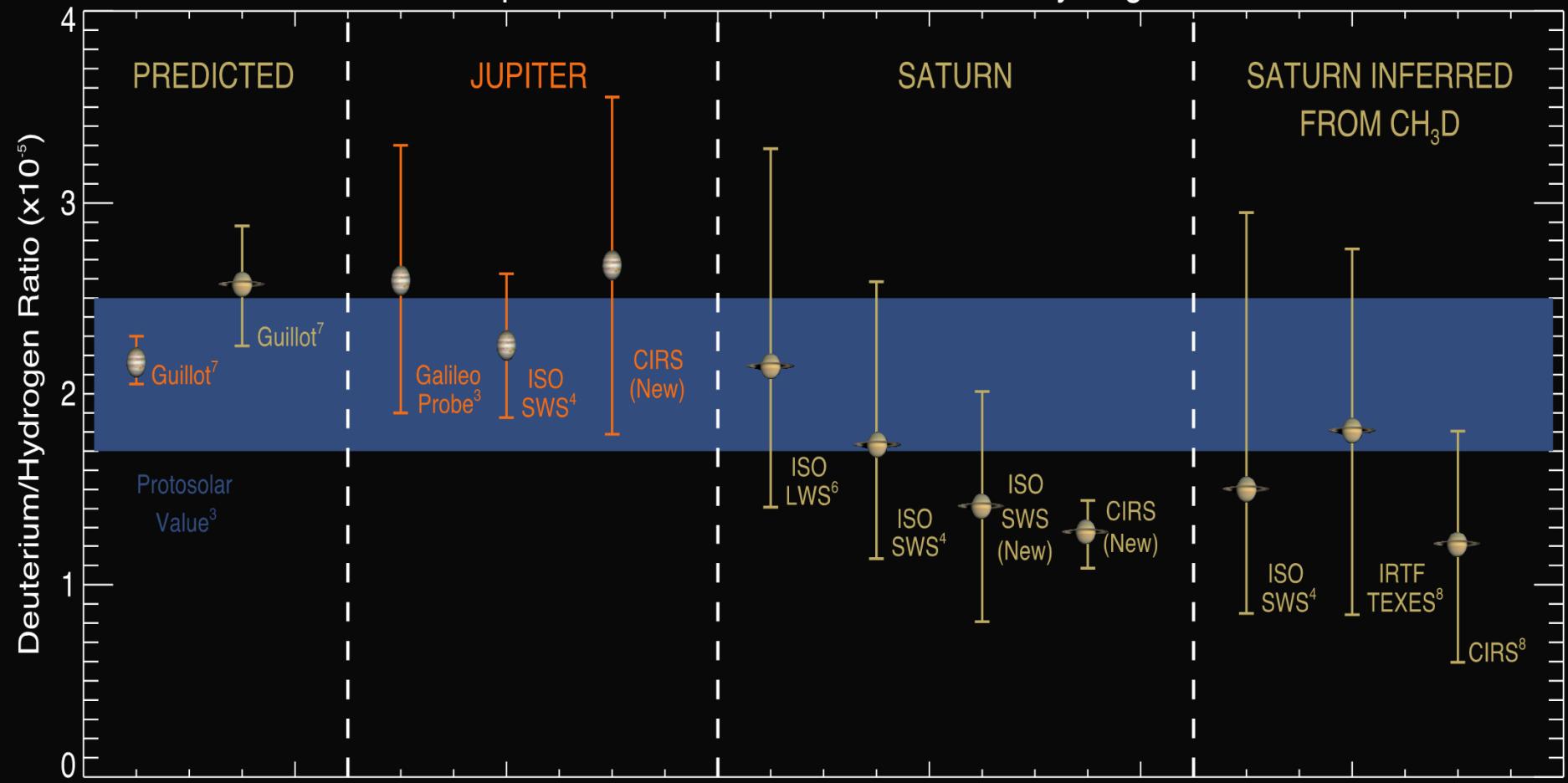


# Model Assurances

- ISO/SWS
  - Reproduced the modeling efforts of Lellouch 2001
  - Were able to achieve the same result to within 8%
  - Utilized an improved method and found a lower result
- Galileo Probe
  - Measured D/H in Jupiter in-situ
  - CIRS result in excellent agreement

Conclusion: No systematic modeling errors contributed to this result.

# Jupiter and Saturn D/H in Molecular Hydrogen



# Discussion

- We are able to model the HD R(1) line in the CIRS data accurately with NEMESIS
  - New measurement:  $D/H = (1.26 \pm 0.20) \times 10^{-5}$
- Current models do not accurately predict Saturn's D/H ratio
  - Predicted Saturn/Jupiter D/H ratio  $\sim 1.05\text{-}1.15$
  - Measured Saturn/Jupiter D/H ratio:  $0.48^{+0.29}_{-0.16}$
- Potential explanation: Deuterium Rain