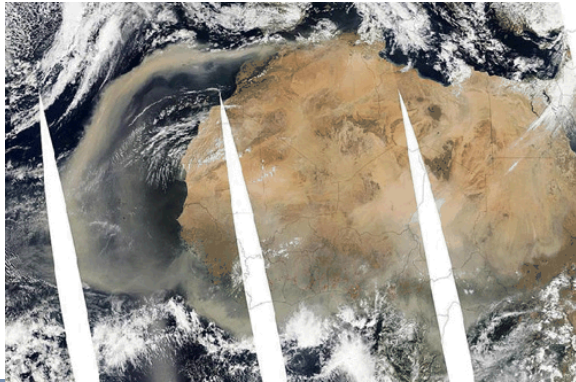
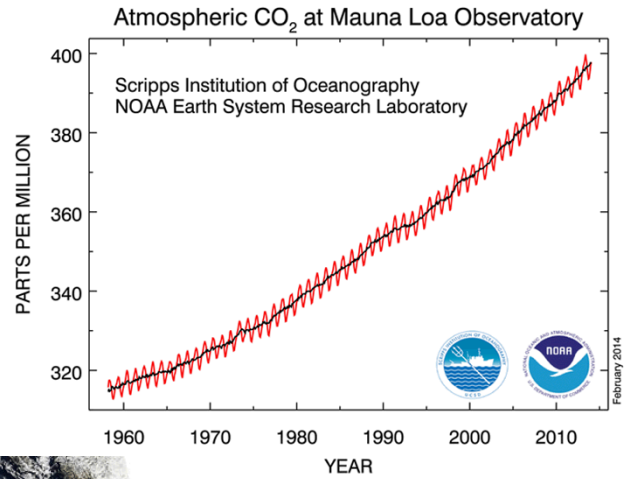


Atmospheric composition



08:50 Larnaca	AA6621	Cancelled
08:50 Berlin	BA662	Cancelled
08:50 Glasgow	AA6594	Cancelled
08:50 Palma Mallorca	GF5222	Cancelled
08:55 Prague	LH6639	Go to Gate
08:55 Moscow	CX7121	Cancelled
08:55 Nice	BA872	Cancelled
08:55 Manchester	BD193	Go to Depart
08:05 Dublin	GF5280	Cancelled



Data Assimilation of Atmospheric Composition

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- 1. Introduction**
- 2. Potential benefit for NWP**
- 3. Challenges for atmospheric composition DA**
- 4. Observations of atmospheric composition**
- 5. Aerosol assimilation**
- 6. Concluding remarks**

1. Introduction

- Environmental and health concern
- Important to provide air quality forecasts
- Expertise in data assimilation and atmospheric modelling
- Not principally different from meteorological DA but several new challenges
- Interaction of atmospheric composition (AC) and NWP
 - Feedback on dynamics via radiation scheme
 - Precipitation and clouds
 - Satellite data observations influenced by aerosols (and trace gases)
 - Hydrocarbon (Methane) oxidation is water vapour source
 - Assimilation of AC data can have impact on wind field

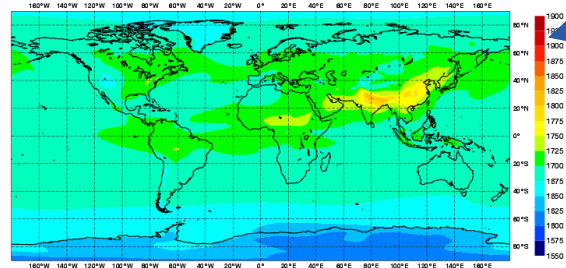
Composition-IFS (C-IFS)

- Over the last decade IFS has been extended with modules for atmospheric composition (aerosols, reactive gases, greenhouse gases)
- GEMS -> MACC -> CAMS (Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service) projects
- At first a “Coupled System”, now composition fully integrated into IFS
- Data assimilation of AC data to provide best possible IC for subsequent forecasts
- AC benefits from online integration and high temporal availability of meteorological fields
- C-IFS provides daily analyses and 5-day forecasts of atmospheric composition in NRT

MACC/ CAMS Service Provision

Retrospective

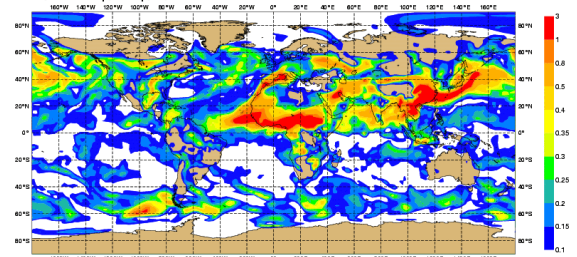
ECMWF/GEMS Reanalysis Global Monthly Mean August 2004
Mean Column CH₄ Mixing Ratio [ppb]



Reanalysis 2003-2012

Daily (NRT)

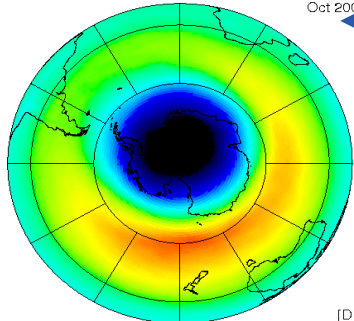
Sunday 21 March 2010 00UTC MACC Forecast t+003 VT: Sunday 21 March 2010 03UTC
Total Aerosol Optical Depth at 550 nm



Aerosols

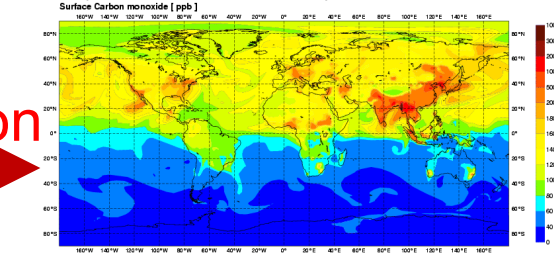
Ozone records

Multi Sensor Reanalysis Monthly mean total ozone Oct 2008



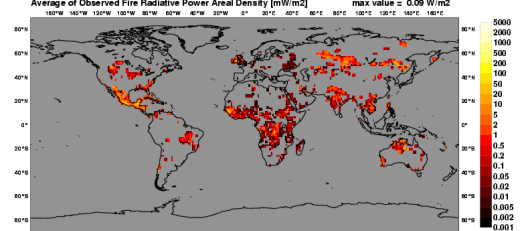
Global
Pollution

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Surface Carbon monoxide [ppb]



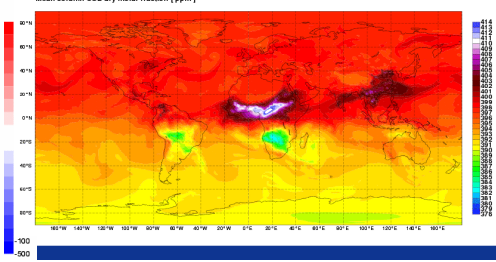
Fires

MACC Daily Fire Products Monday 2 May 2011
Average of Observed Fire Radiative Power Areal Density [mW/m²]



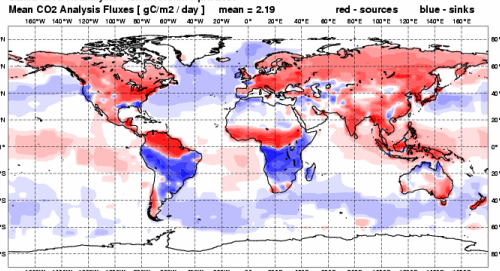
CO₂
forecast

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Mean column CO₂ dry molar fraction [ppm]

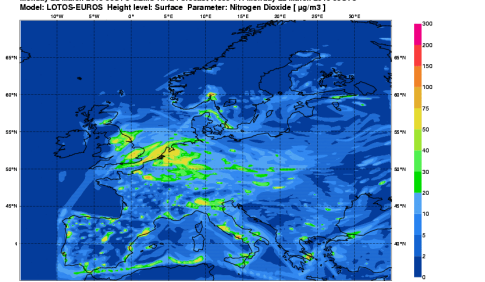


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quality

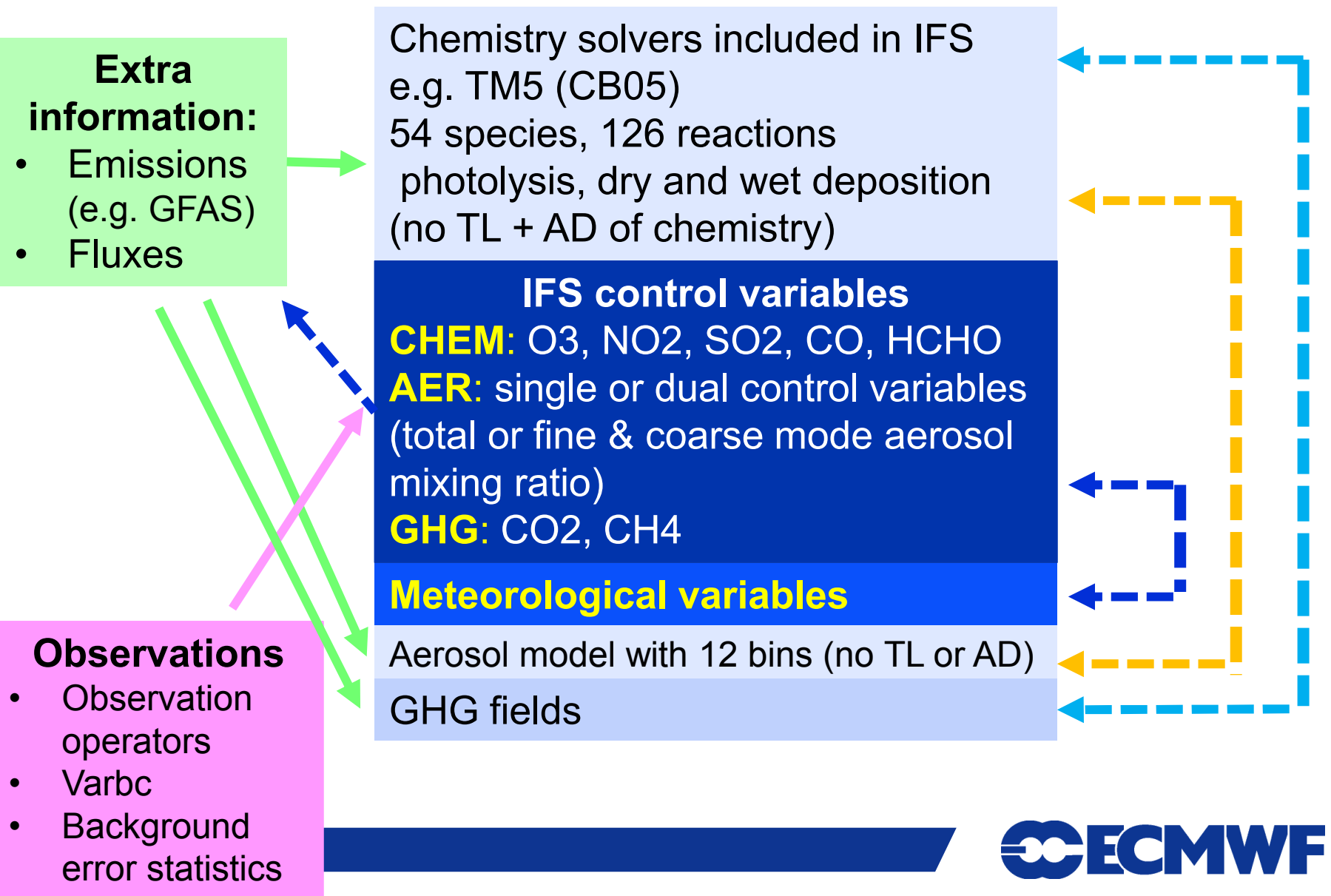
GEMS-GHG Reanalysis Flux Inversion April 2003



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Model: LOTOS-EUROS Height: level: Surface Parameter: Nitrogen Dioxide [ppb]

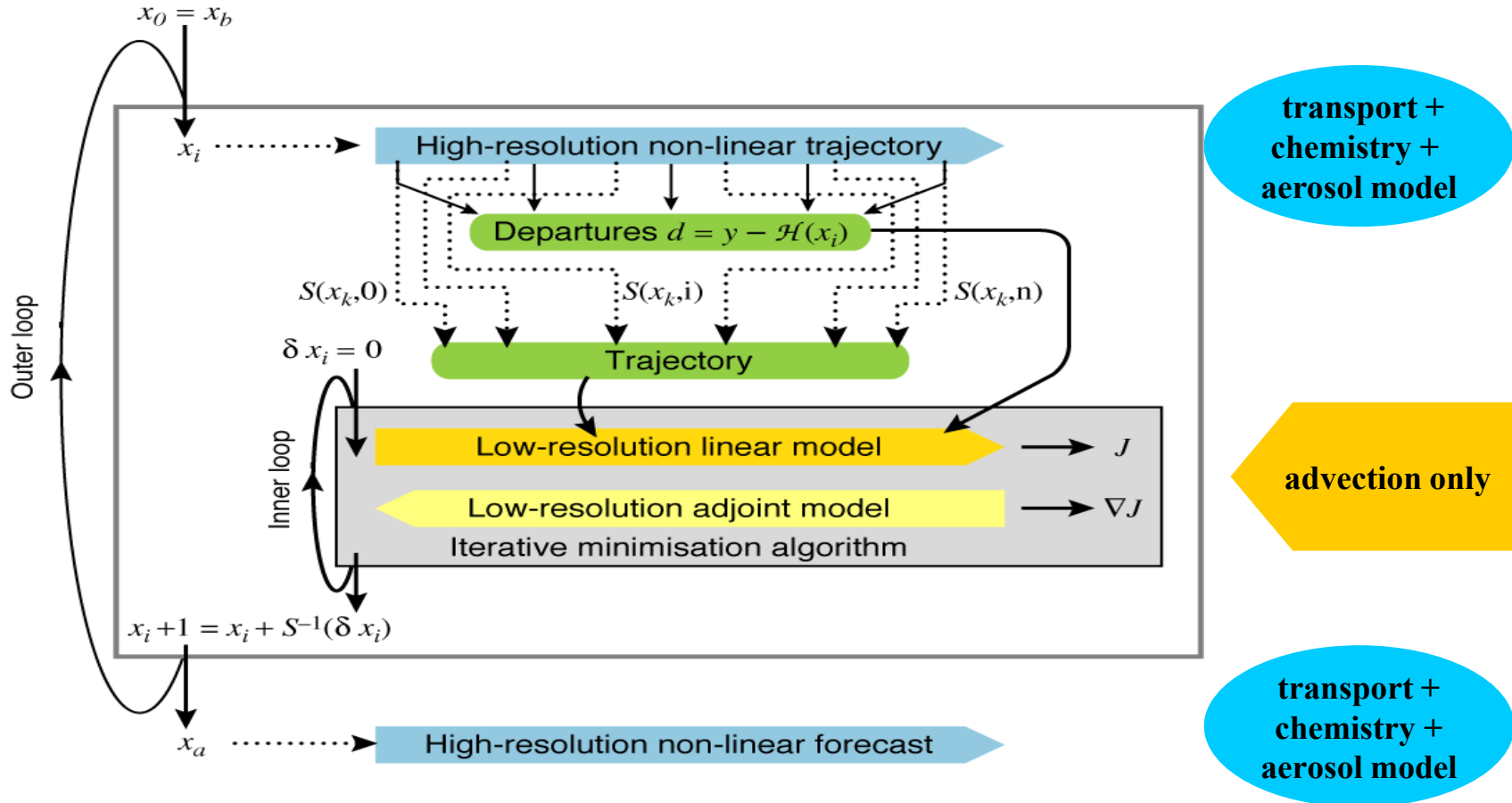


MACC data assimilation system



ECMWF MACC 4D-VAR Data Assimilation Scheme

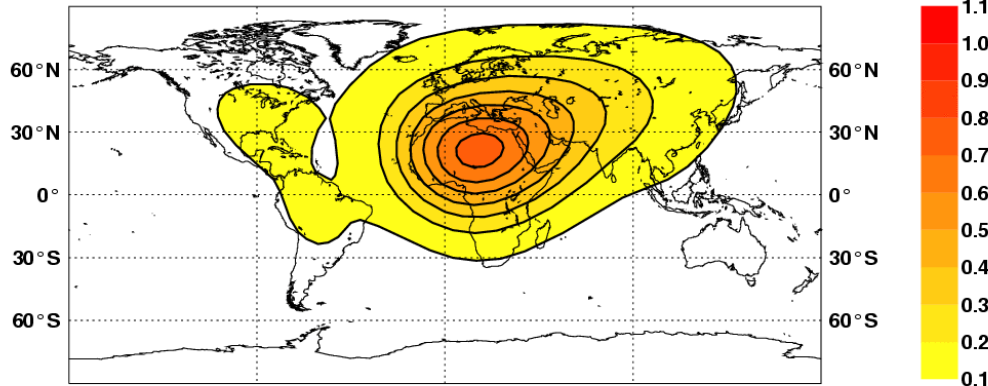
Assimilation of Reactive Gases



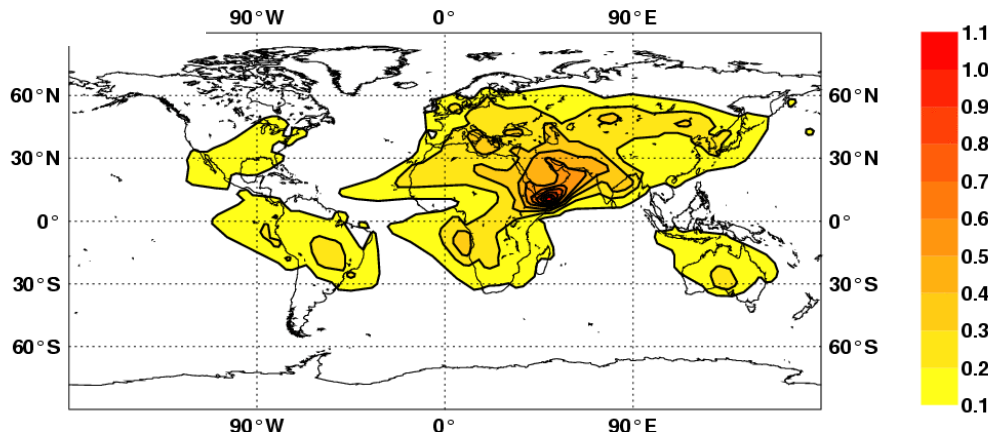
2. Potential benefit for NWP

- **Interactive aerosols: Feedback on dynamics via radiation scheme:**
Tegen AER climatology used in radiation scheme (work in progress)
- **Use of O3 (& other fields) in the radiation scheme:**
MACC climatologies used
- **RTTOV observation operator: Use of MACC O3, CO2 analysis fields to improve the use of radiances sensitive to O3, CO2:**
O3 is used, but climatologies for other tracers (e.g. fixed CO2 value)
- **Dynamical coupling with wind/ T through TL and AD: turned off**
- **Multivariate JB: Correlations between tracers and dynamical variables, e.g. O3 and vorticity; correlations between chemical species: univariate**

Impact of Aerosol Climatology on NWP



26r1: Old aerosol (Tanre et al. 84 annually fixed)



26r3: New aerosol (June) Tegen et. al 1997

Change in Aerosol Optical Thickness Climatologies

Thickness
at 550nm

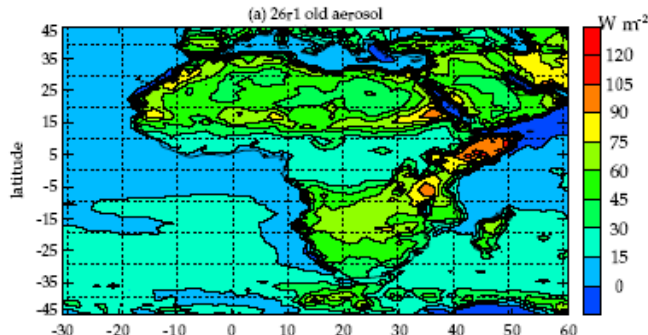
Old aerosol dominated
by Saharan sand dust

New: Reduction in
Saharan sand dust &
increased sand dust
over Horn of Africa

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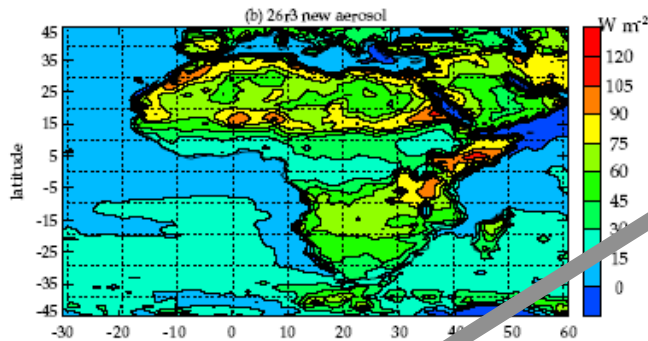
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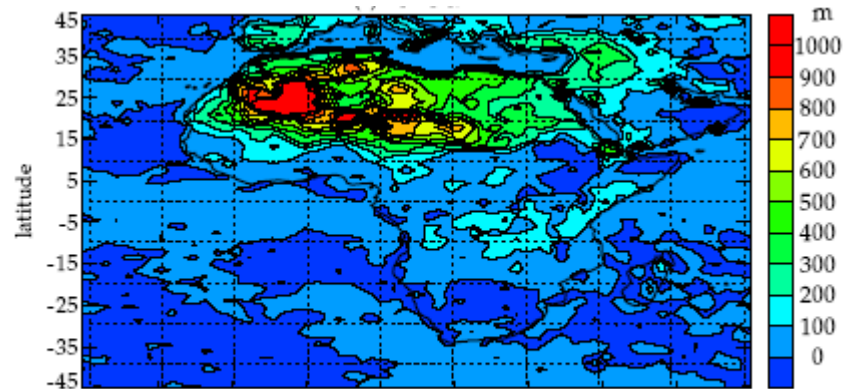
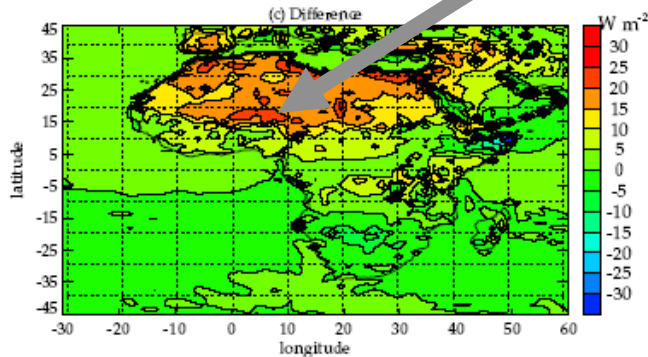
Surface Sensible heat flux differences

new



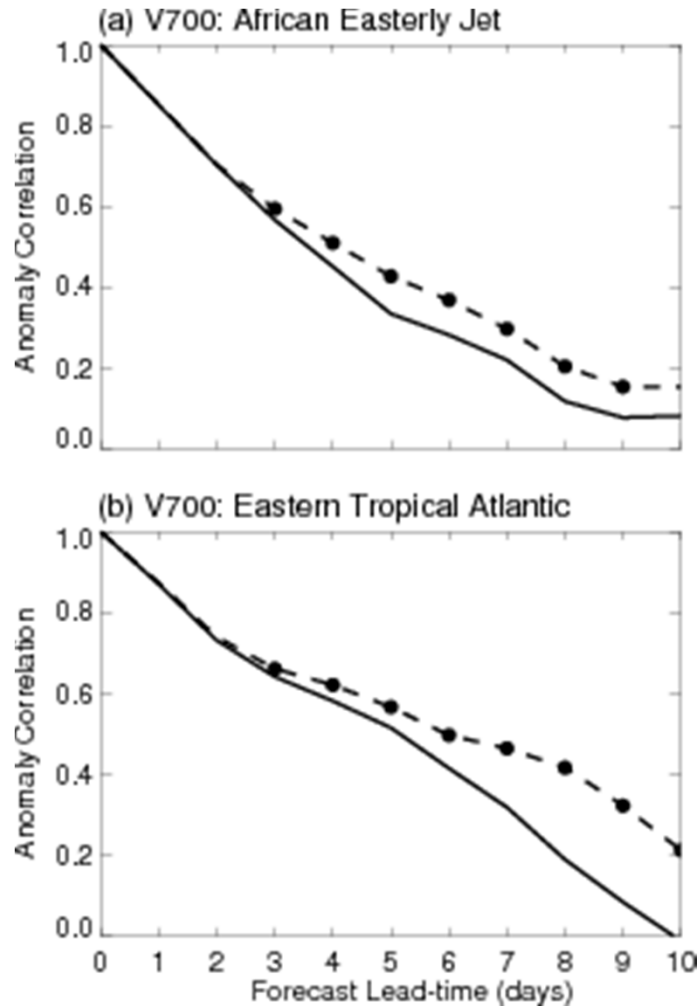
$20 \text{ W m}^{-2} \sim 20\text{-}30\%$

New-old



Boundary layer height increases $>1\text{km}$

Improved Predictability with improved Aerosol Climatology



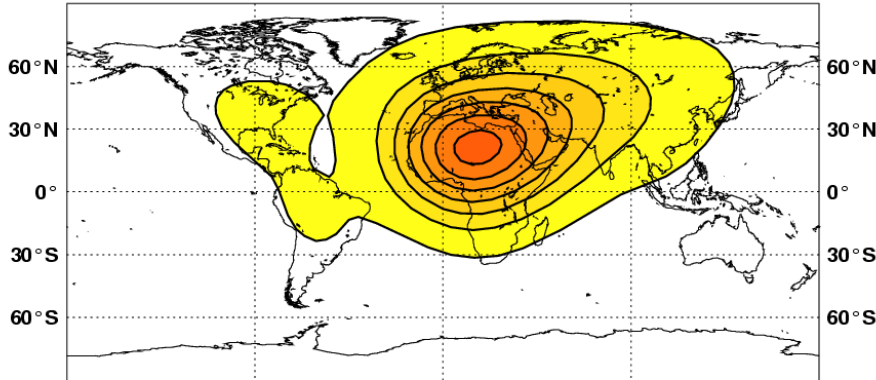
New 
Old 

Improved forecasts of meridional wind variations at 700 hPa for
(a) the African easterly jet region
and
(b) the eastern tropical Atlantic

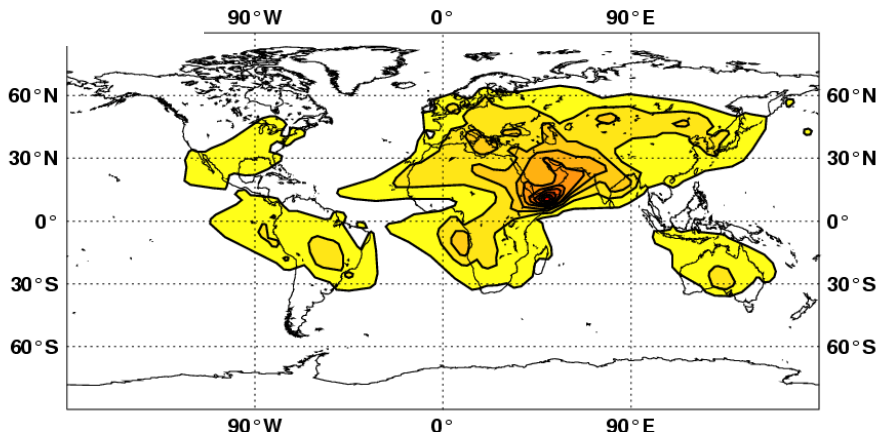
Rodwell and Jung (2008), QJRM., **134**, 1479.1497

Work in progress: Use of MACC climatology

AOD 550nm

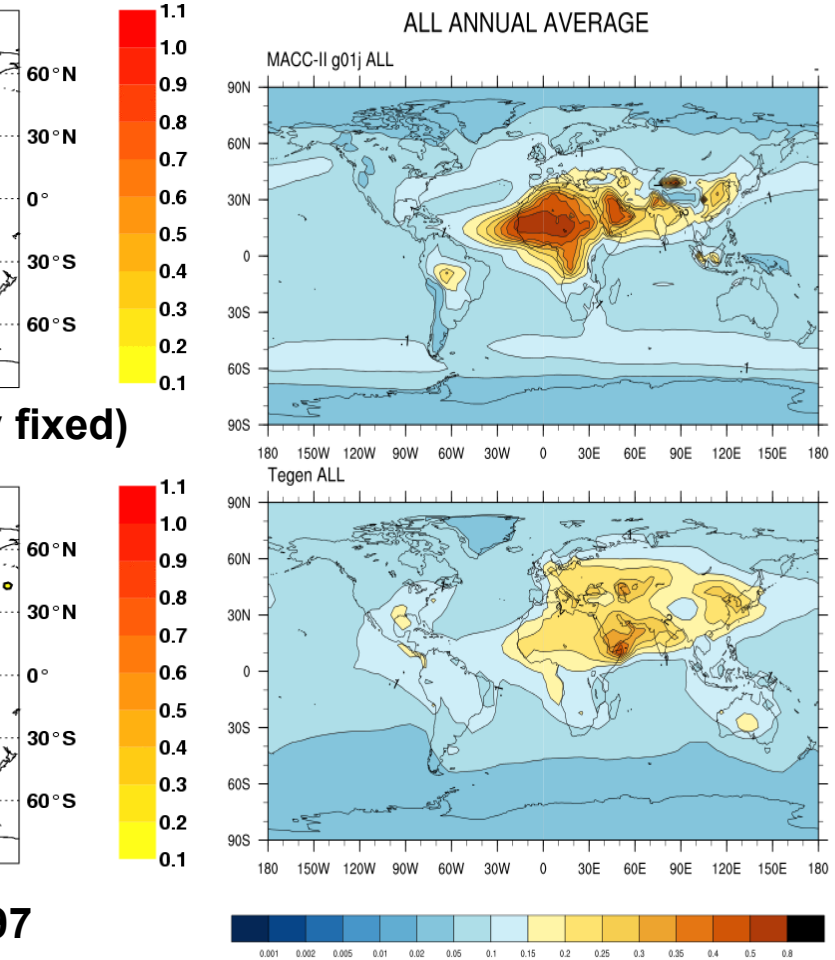


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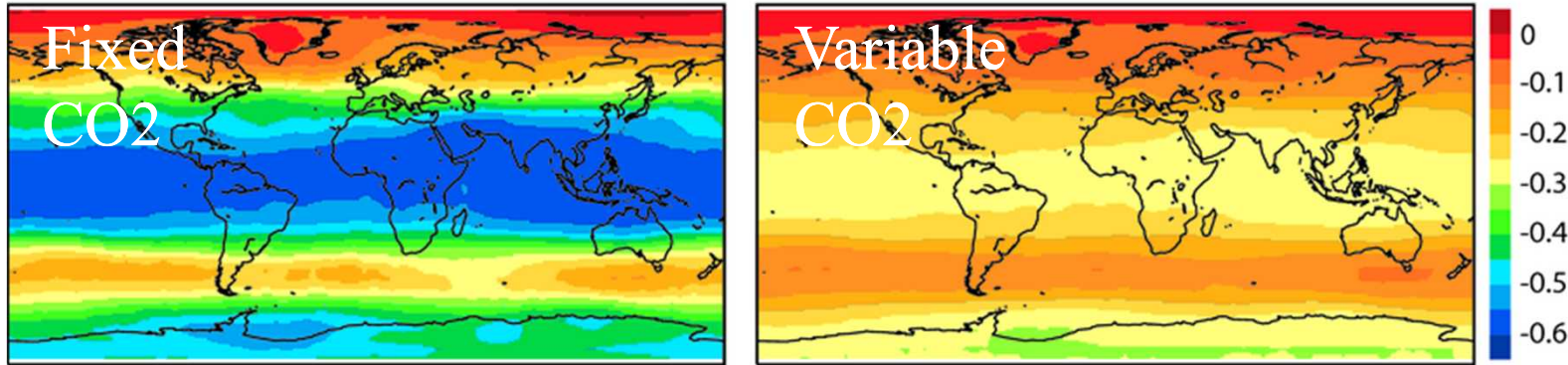
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Tests are being carried out to use LW and SW aerosol prognostics in radiation code

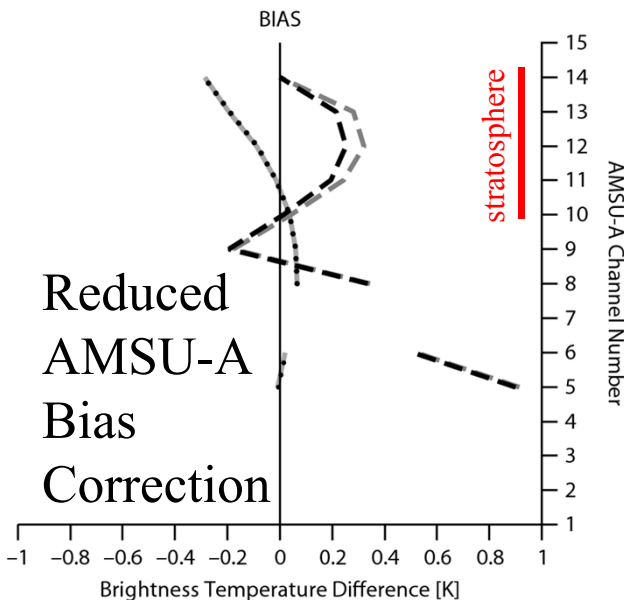
Benefit of trace gases for NWP: Variable CO₂ in radiance assimilation

Engelen and Bauer, QJRMS, 2011

Reduced AIRS and IASI Bias Correction

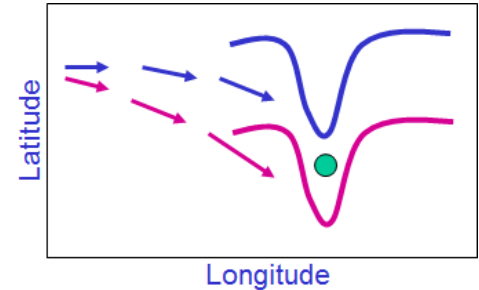


Mean bias correction (K) for August 2009 for AIRS channel 175 (699.7 cm⁻¹; maximum temperature sensitivity at ~ 200 hPa)



- Using modelled CO₂ in AIRS/IASI radiance assimilation leads to significant reduction in needed bias correction.
- Small positive effect on T analysis and neutral scores/ small positive impact at 200 hPa T in Tropics
- Stratospheric T in variable CO₂ exp more consistent with AMSU-A
- It would be beneficial to replace the fixed value by more realistic values

Wind information from tracers



- Prospect to extract wind information from long lived tracers in stratosphere and upper troposphere, e.g. O₃, H₂O, N₂O.
- Similar to cloud track winds but data coverage worse
- Potential to extract wind info indirectly through TL and AD of tracer advection
- Potential was demonstrated in early studies for H₂O (Thépaut 1992) and O₃ (Daley 1995; Riishojgaard 1996; Holm 1999; Peuch et al. 2000).
- Could compliment existing wind observations and help in areas where there is a lack of adequate global wind profile data

Requirements to extract wind information from tracers

- Complete data coverage (3D), frequent observations
- Accurate observations
- High quality background field
- No bias between obs and background
- Depends on accuracy of TL model compared to full model (better for passive tracers/ long chemical lifetime) => E.g. extracting wind information from O₃ is more difficult in the tropics and summer hemisphere where photochemical lifetime is shorter
- Studies have looked at this in idealized experiments (e.g. Daley 1995; Riishojgaard 1996; Peuch et al. 2000; Allen et al. 2013, 2014) focussing on long lived tracers O₃, H₂O, N₂O and found positive impact for perfect observations.
- Few studies used real data (e.g. MLS O₃, Semane et al. 2009) and positive results are less clear

Coupling between tracer and wind field in 4D-Var: illustration using 1D advection model

Model equations

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} = 0$$

$u = u(x,t)$ = wind over periodic domain $[0,L]$

$q = q(x,t)$ = passive tracer

ν = diffusion coef.

$\delta u, \delta q$ = perturbations

$\delta' u, \delta' q$ = adjoint variables

Tangent linear equations:

$$\frac{\partial \delta u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \delta u}{\partial x} + \delta u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 \delta u}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \delta q}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \delta q}{\partial x} + \delta u \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} = 0$$

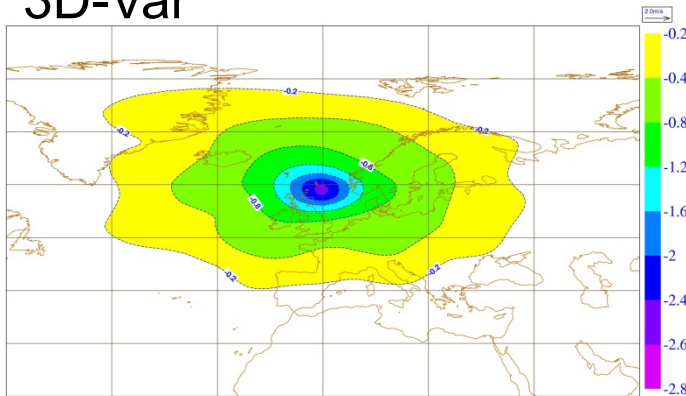
Adjoint equations:

$$-\frac{\partial \delta' u}{\partial t} - u \frac{\partial \delta' u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \delta' u - \nu \frac{\partial^2 \delta' u}{\partial x^2} + \delta' q \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} = 0$$

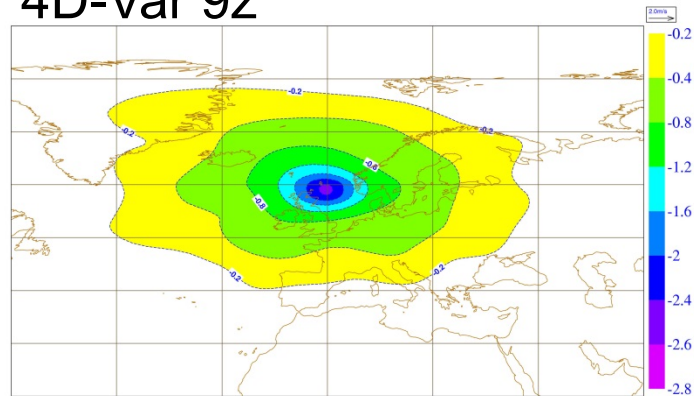
$$-\frac{\partial \delta' q}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial (u \delta' q)}{\partial x} = 0$$

Single observation experiments - Ozone and wind increments

3D-Var

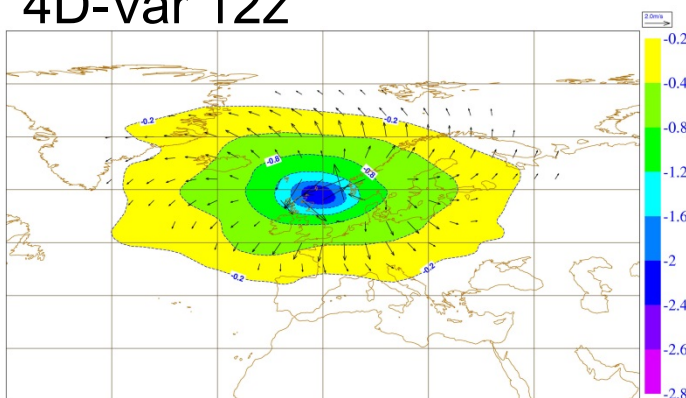


4D-Var 9z

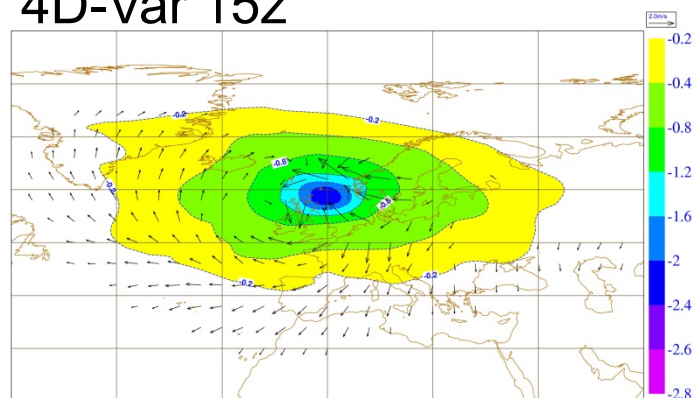


Level 20,
≈ 30 hPa

4D-Var 12z

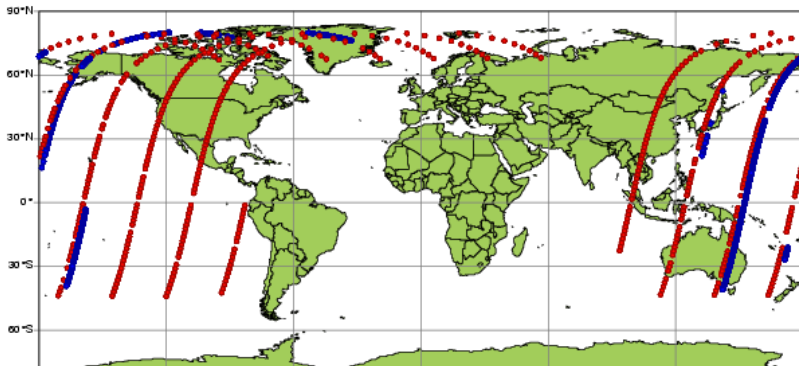


4D-Var 15z



6h assimilation
window

Impact of ozone data in 4D-Var: Example from ERA-Interim

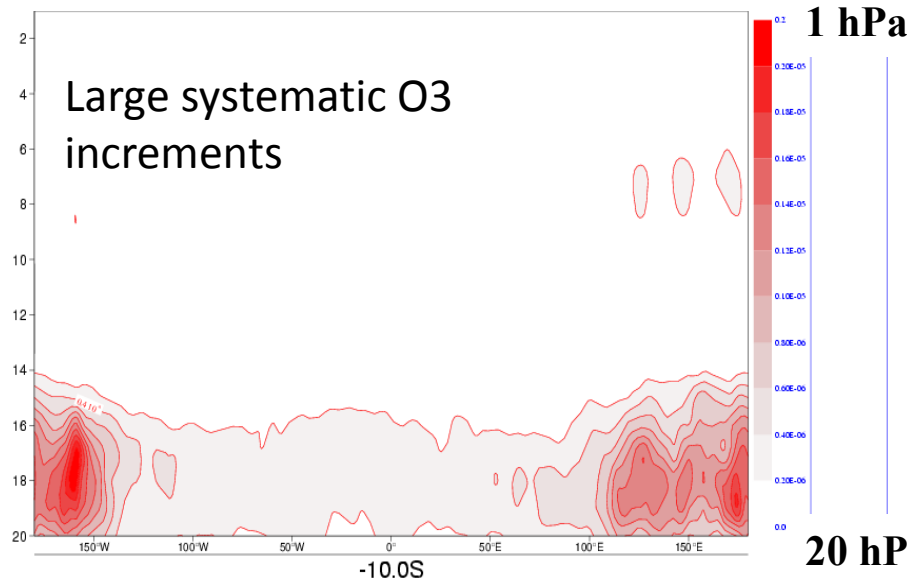


GOME 15-layer profiles (~15,000 per day)
SBUV 6-layer profiles (~1,000 per day)

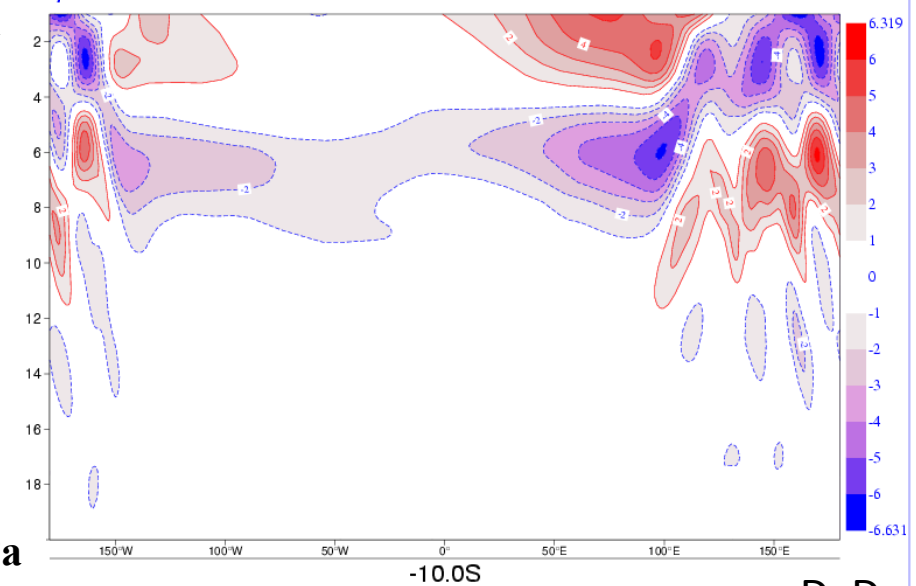
The stratosphere is not well constrained by observations:

- Ozone profile data generate large temperature increments
 - 4D-Var adjusts the flow where it is least constrained, to improve the fit to observations
- => IFS O3 analysis is completely uncoupled now

Ozone increments at 10S



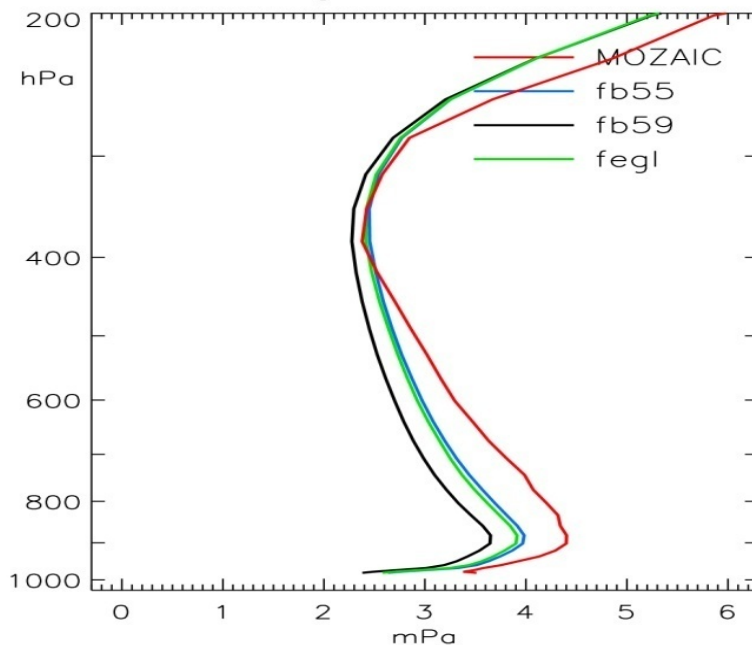
Associated Temp increments



Benefit of chemical coupling

- Background NO_x levels determine O₃ production/loss
- Assimilation of NO₂ has an impact on ozone field (through chemical feedbacks in the CTM)
- Assimilation of NO₂ can improve O₃ field

Average of all 371 profiles of G03 (mPa) over FRANKFURT during Feb–Jun 2003



Validation with MOZAIC ozone data

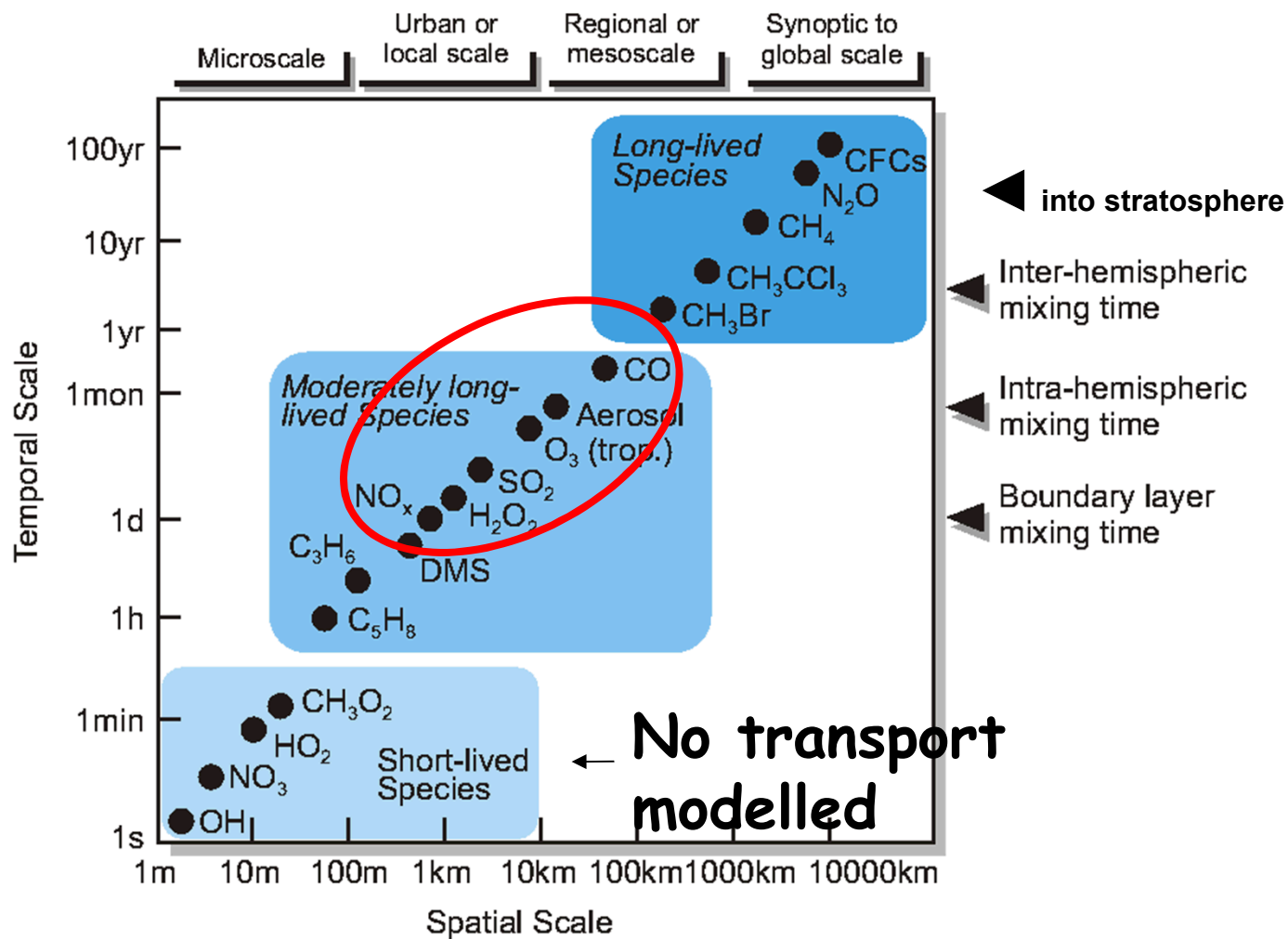
- Control (no CO or NO₂ assim, only O₃ assim)
- MOZAIC observation
- CO & NO₂ assim
- NO₂ assim

3. CHALLENGES FOR ATM. COMPOSITION DATA ASSIMILATION

Challenges

- Quality of NWP depends predominantly on initial state
- AC modelling depends on initial state (lifetime) and surface fluxes
- Large part of chemical system not sensitive to initial conditions because of chemical equilibrium, but dependent on model parameters (e.g. emissions, deposition, reaction rates,...)
- Data assimilation is challenging for short lived species (e.g. NO₂)
- CTMs have larger biases than NWP models
- Most processes take place in boundary layer, which is not well observed from space
- Only a few species (out of 100+) can be observed
- Data availability
- More complex and expensive, e.g. atmospheric chemistry, aerosol physics
- Concentrations vary over several orders of magnitude

Chemical Lifetime vs. Spatial Scale



After Seinfeld and Pandis [1998]

Emission Estimates

- Emissions are one of the major uncertainties in modeling (can not be measure directly)
- The compilation of emissions inventories is a labour-intensive task based on a wide variety of socio-economic and land use data
- Some emissions can be “modeled” based on wind (sea salt aerosol) or temperature (biogenic emissions)
- Some emissions can be observed indirectly from satellites instruments (Fire radiative power, burnt area, volcanic plumes)
- „Inverse“ methods can be used to correct emission estimates using observations and models – in particular for long lived gases such as CO₂ (e.g. Chevallier et al. 2014) and Methane (Bergamaschi et al. 2009)
- Emissions can be included in the control vector and adjusted together with concentrations (e.g. Hanea et al. 2004; Elbern et al. 2007; Miyazaki et al. 2012)

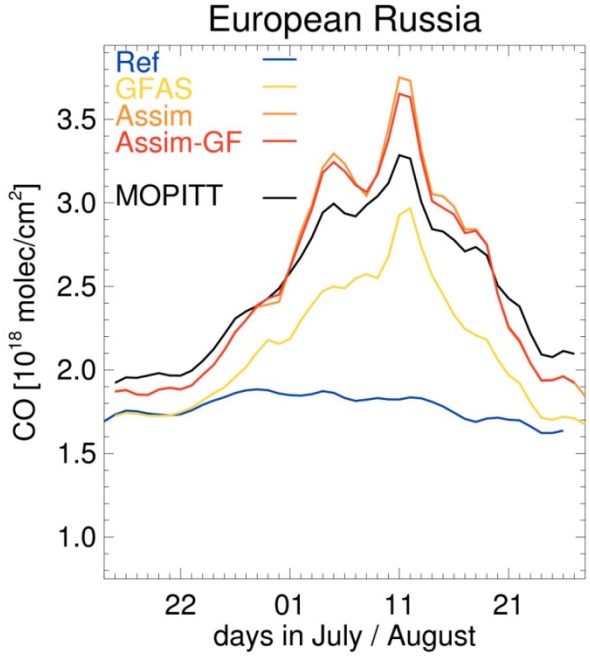
Emission Processes

- Combustion related (CO, NO_x, SO₂, VOC, CO₂)
 - fossil fuel combustion
 - biofuel combustion
 - vegetation fires (man-made and wild fires)
- Fluxes from biogeochemical processes (VOC, Methane, CO₂, Pollen):
 - biogenic emissions (plants, soils oceans)
 - agricultural emissions (incl. fertilisation)
- Fluxes from wind blown dust and sea salt (from spray)
- Volcanic emissions (ash, SO₂, HBr ...)
- In MACC we use **GFAS fire emissions** (Kaiser et al. 2012) and **MACCity anthropogenic emissions** (Granier et al. 2011)
- Biomass burning accounts for ~ 30% of total CO and NO_x emissions, ~10% CH₄

Importance of emissions (Russian fires 2010)

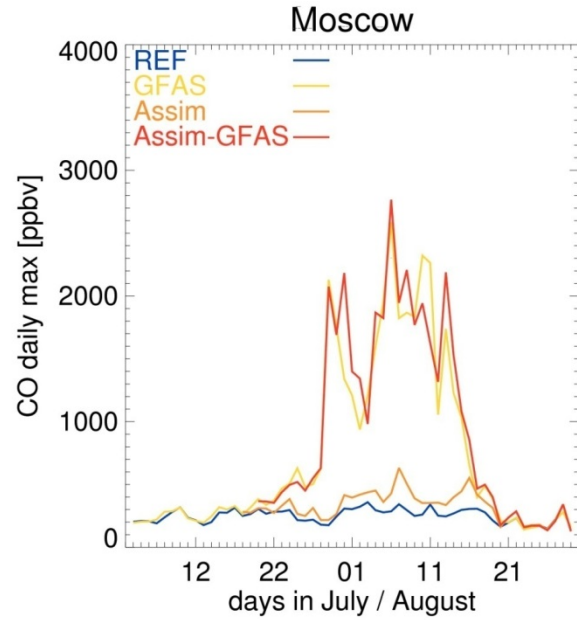
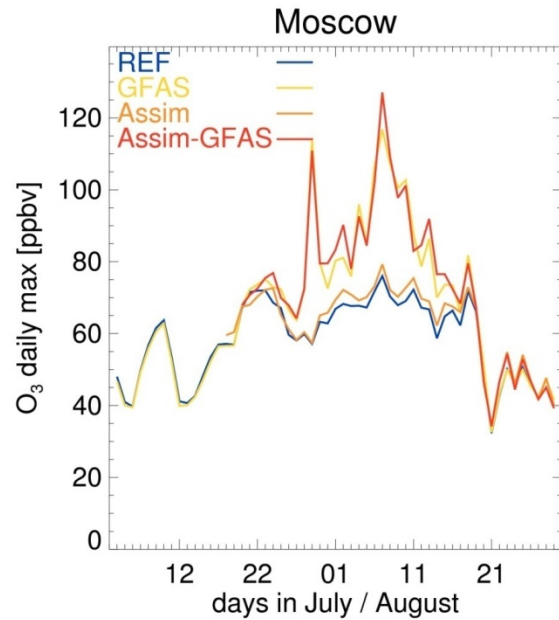
Huijnen et al. 2012 (ACP)

Total column CO



- Assimilation of IASI TCCO leads to improved fit to MOPITT TCCO
- TCCO from **Assim** and **Assim-GFAS** are very similar

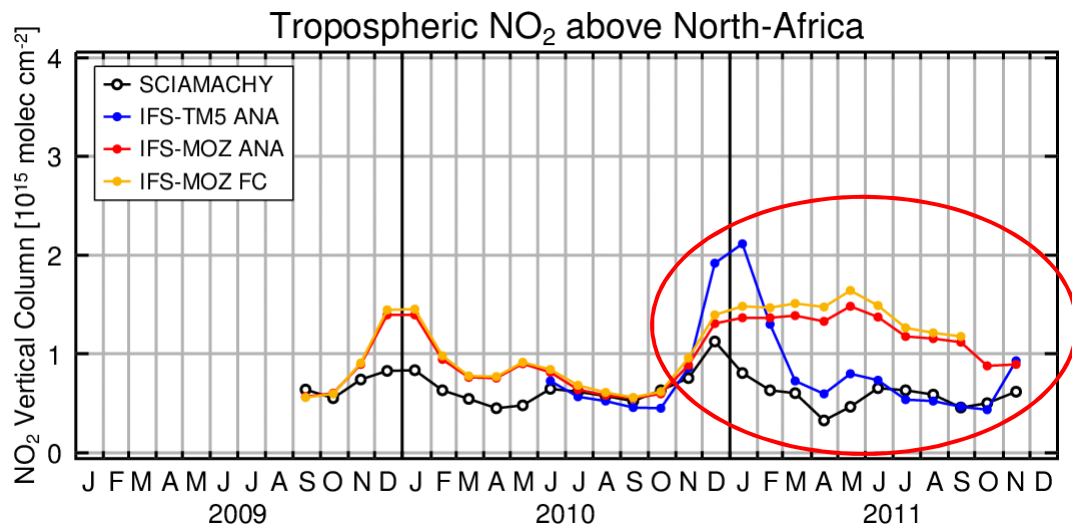
Daily maximum surface O3 and CO



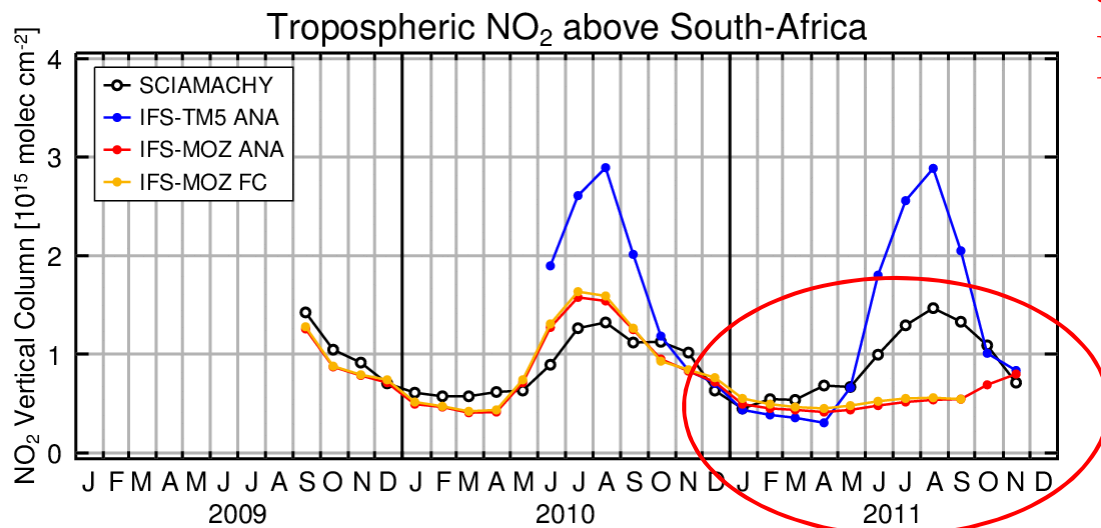
GFAS emissions are needed to get peak in surface concentrations in **GFAS** and **Assim-GFAS**



Importance of fire emissions on tropospheric NO₂



GFAS emissions for January used by mistake in IFS-MOZ during 2011

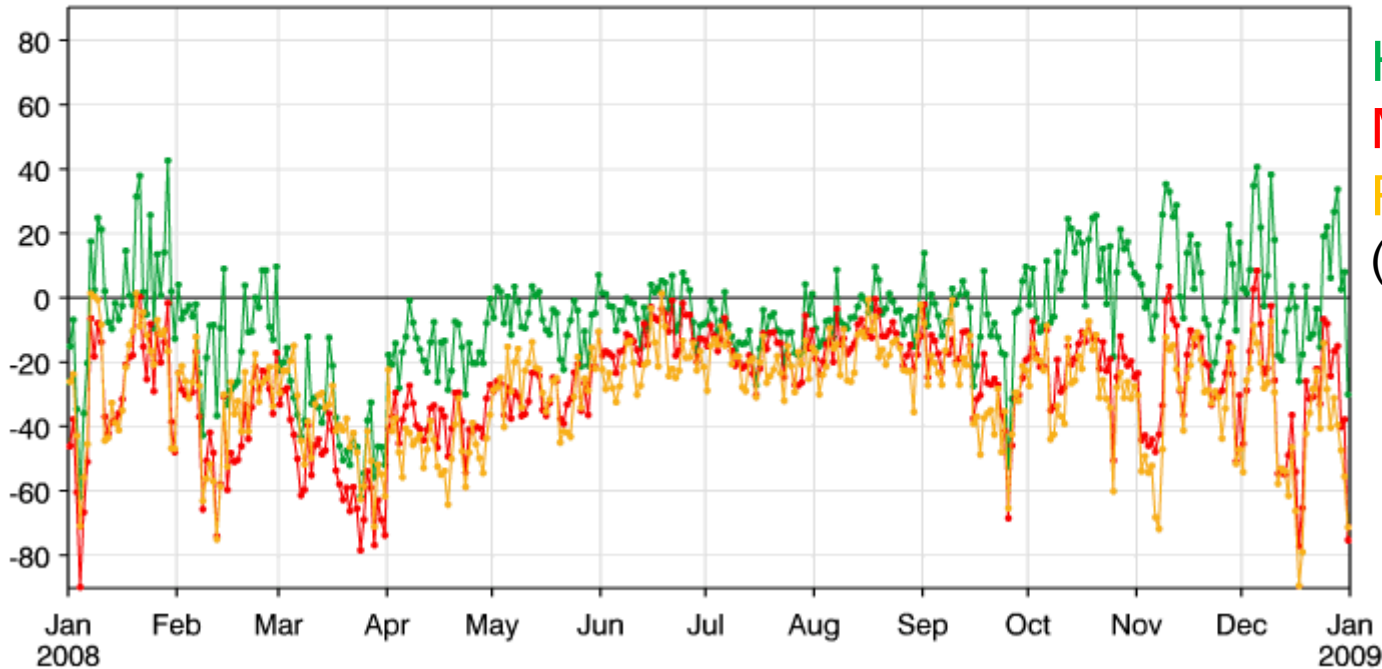


Impact of anthropogenic emissions: CO Bias - GAW Europa timeseries

CO (ppbv) FC-OBS bias. Model versus GAW.

Meaned over 14 sites in Europe. Jan - Dec 2008. FC start hrs=00Z. T+0 to 21.

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HTAP emissions
MACCity emissions
Reanalysis
(GFAS used in all runs)

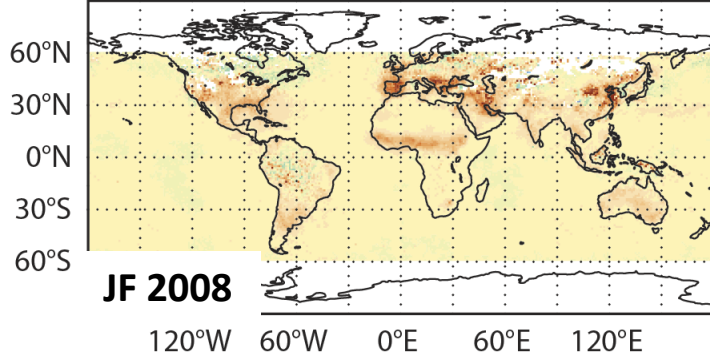
Choice of emissions data set has large impact on surface concentrations

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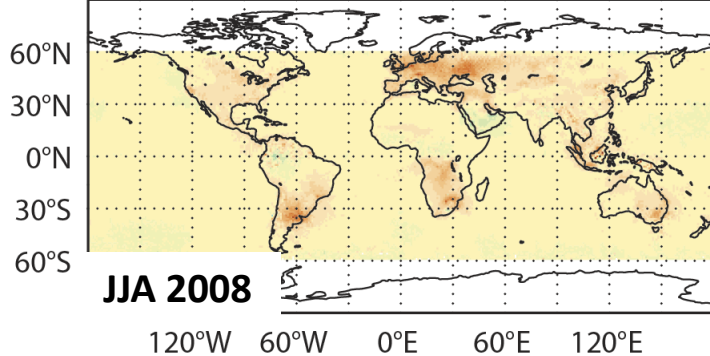
Short lived memory of NO₂ assimilation

OMI NO₂ analysis increment [%]

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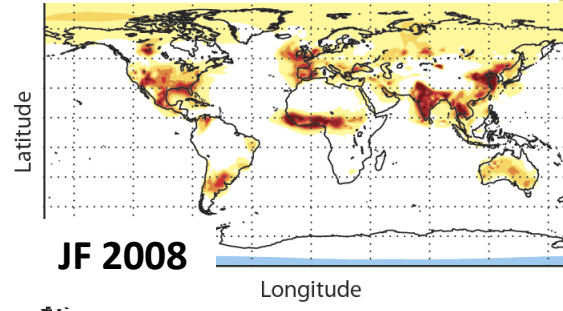


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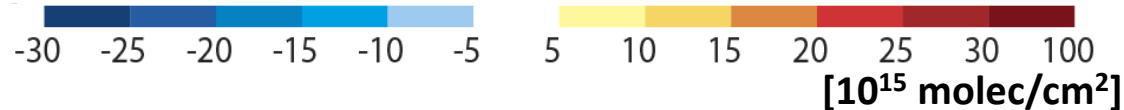
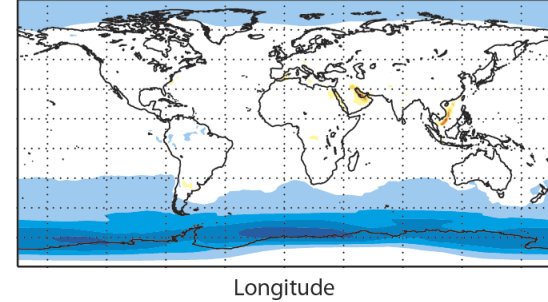
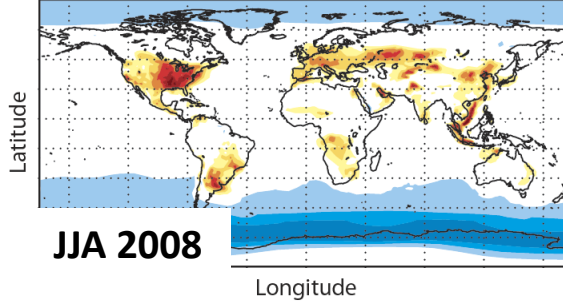
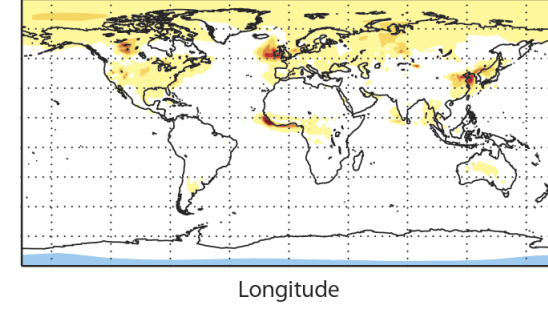


Differences between

Analysis and CTRL



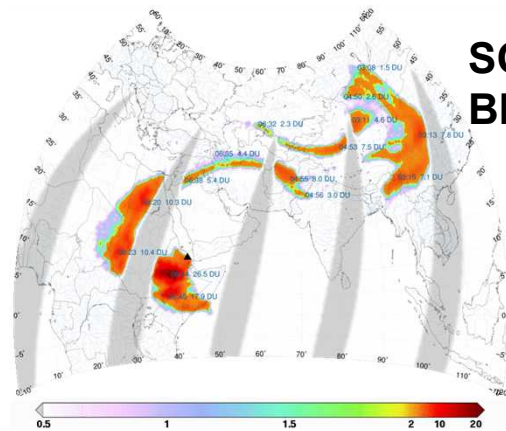
12h fc from ASSIM and CTRL



- Large positive increments from OMI NO₂ assim
- Large differences between analyses of ASSIM and CTRL
- Impact is lost during subsequent 12h forecast
- It might be more beneficial to adjust emissions (instead of IC)

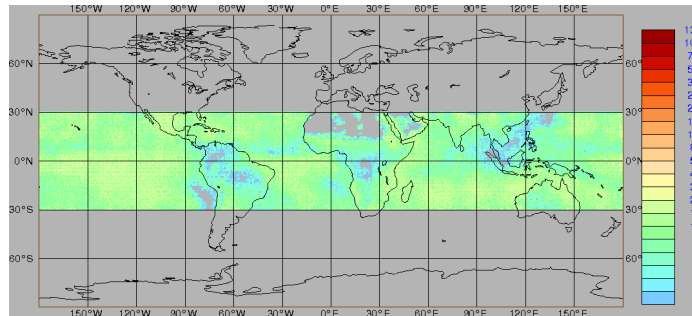
4. OBSERVATIONS OF ATMOSPHERIC COMPOSITION

Satellite observations



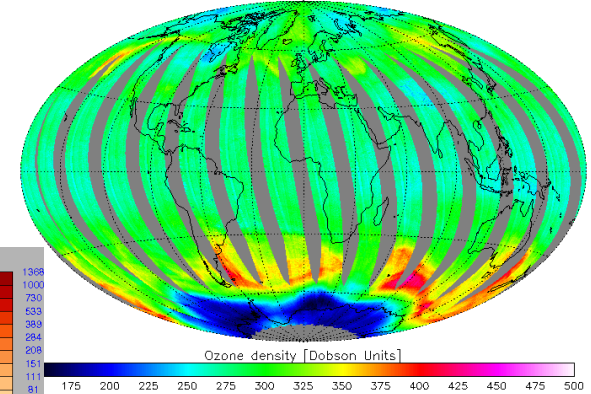
**SO₂, GOME-2, SACS,
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CH₄, IASI, LMD

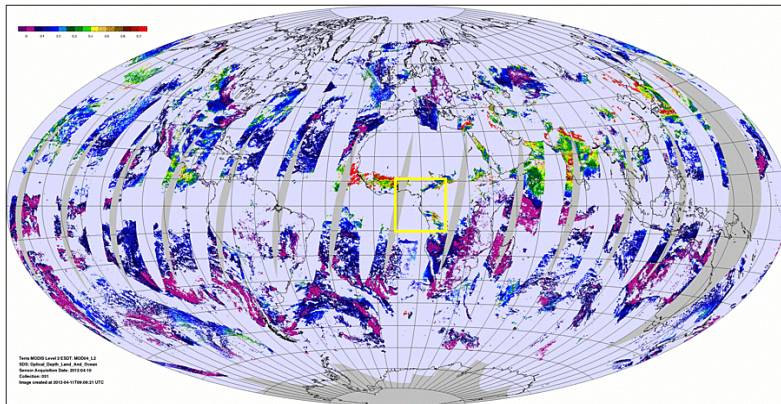


O₃, OMI, KNMI/NASA

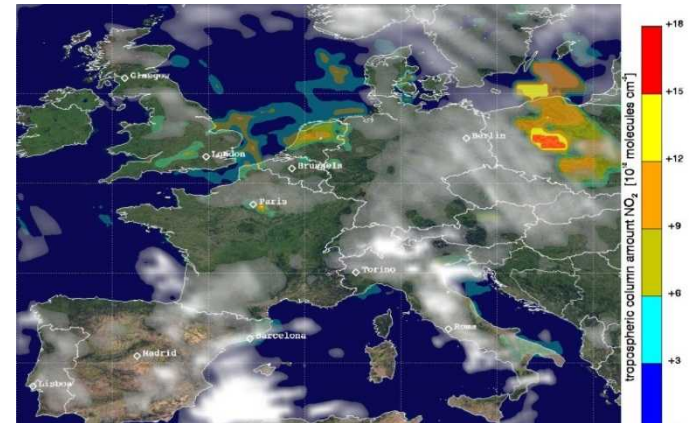
OMI total ozone 10-09-2011 KNMI/NASA



Aerosol Optical Depth, MODIS, NASA



NO₂, OMI, KNMI/NASA



Atmospheric composition observations traditionally come from UV/VIS measurements. This limits the coverage to day-time only. Infrared/microwave are now adding more and more to this spectrum of observations (MOPITT, AIRS, IASI, MLS, MIPAS ...)

Data used in MACC NRT system (2015)

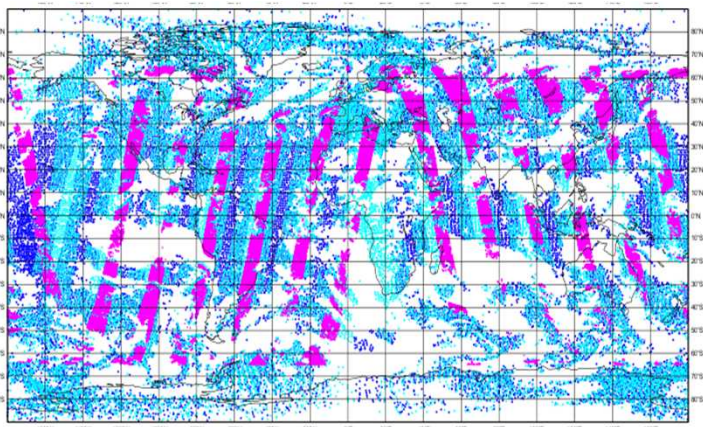
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MODIS	Aqua	NASA	NASA/NOAA	Aerosol, fires	Active
SEVIRI	Meteosat-9	EUMETSAT	IM	Fires	Active
Imager	GOES-11, 12	NOAA	NOAA	Fires	Passive
Imager	MTSAT-2	JMA	JMA	Fires	Planned
MLS	Aura	NASA	NASA	O ₃	Active
OMI	Aura	NASA	NASA	O ₃	Active
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SCIAMACHY	Envisat	ESA	KNMI	O ₃	Died
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GOME-2	Metop-B	EUMETSAT	DLR	O ₃	Active
IASI	Metop-A	EUMETSAT	LATMOS/ULB	CO	Active
IASI	Metop-B	EUMETSAT	LATMOS/ULB	CO	Active
MOPITT	Terra	NASA	NCAR	CO	Active
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OMI	Aura	NASA	KNMI	NO ₂	Active
OMI	Aura	NASA	NASA	SO ₂	Active
GOME-2	Metop-A	EUMETSAT	DLR	SO ₂	Active
GOME-2	Metop-A	EUMETSAT	DLR	SO ₂	Active
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TANSO-FTS	GOSAT	JAXA/NIES	UoB	CO ₂	Active
TANSO-FTS	GOSAT	JAXA/NIES	SRON	CH ₄	Active

Offline tests:

IASI	Metop-A	EUMETSAT	LATMOS/ULB	O ₃	Tests
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Reactive gases data availability in MACC NRT system: 20140901, 12z

CO

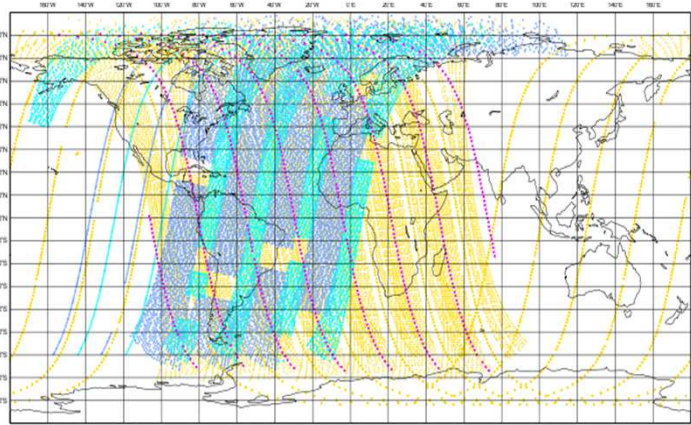


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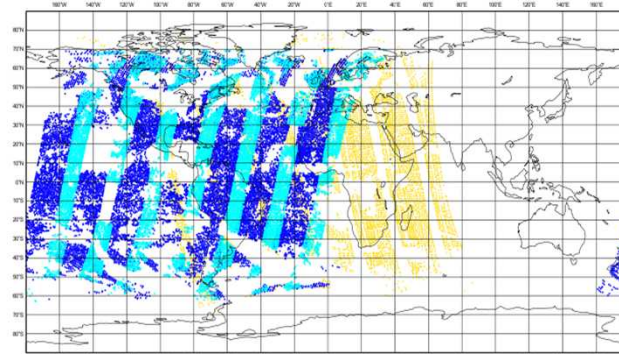
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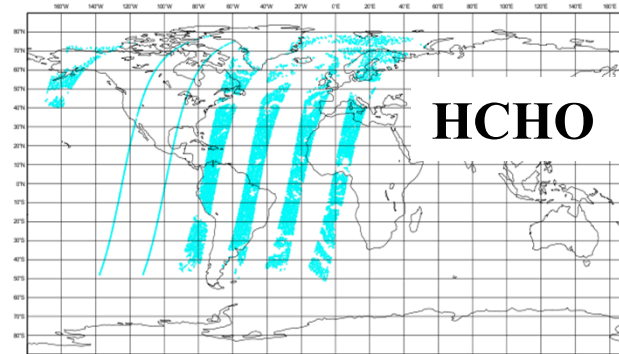
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Tropospheric NO2



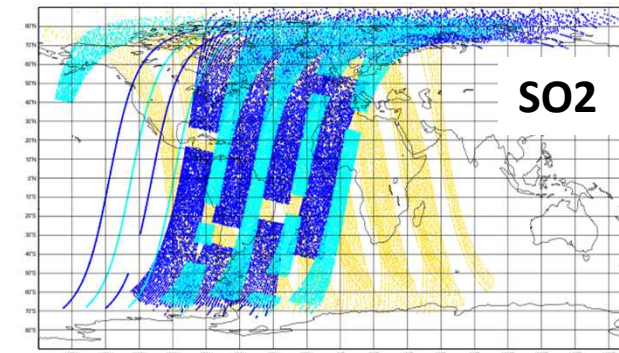
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Issues with Observations

- **AC Satellite retrievals**

- **Little or no vertical information from satellite observations. Total or partial columns retrieved from radiation measurements. Weak or no signal from boundary layer.**
- **Fixed overpass times and daylight conditions only (UV-VIS) -> no daily maximum/cycle**
- **Global coverage in a few days (LEO); often limited to cloud free conditions; fixed overpass time.**
- **Retrieval errors can be large; small scales not resolved**
- **We use retrievals for AC: Averaging kernels important**

- **AC in-situ observations**

- **Sparse (in particular profiles)**
- **Limited or unknown spatial representativeness**

Importance of height resolved observations

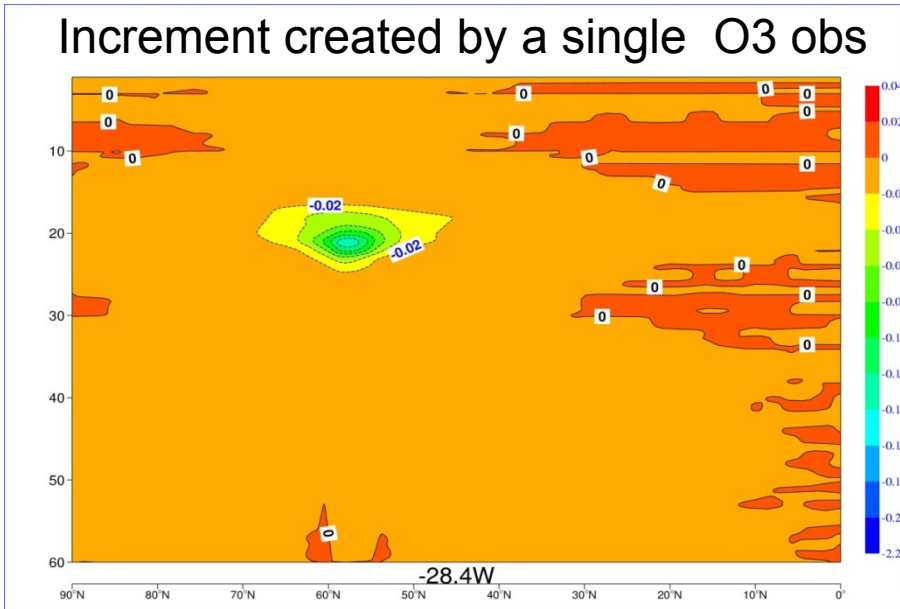
Impact of a single observation in 3D-Var (for model variable at a gridpoint)

$$x_a - x_b = \frac{y - x_b}{\sigma_o^2 + \sigma_b^2} B$$

- x_a : analysis value
 - x_b : background value
 - y : observation
 - σ_o^2 : observation variance
 - σ_b^2 : background covariance
 - B : column of background error covariance matrix
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- Analysis increment is proportional to a column of B-matrix
 - B-matrix determines how increment is spread out from a single observation to neighbouring gridpoints/ levels

Increment from a single TCO3 observation

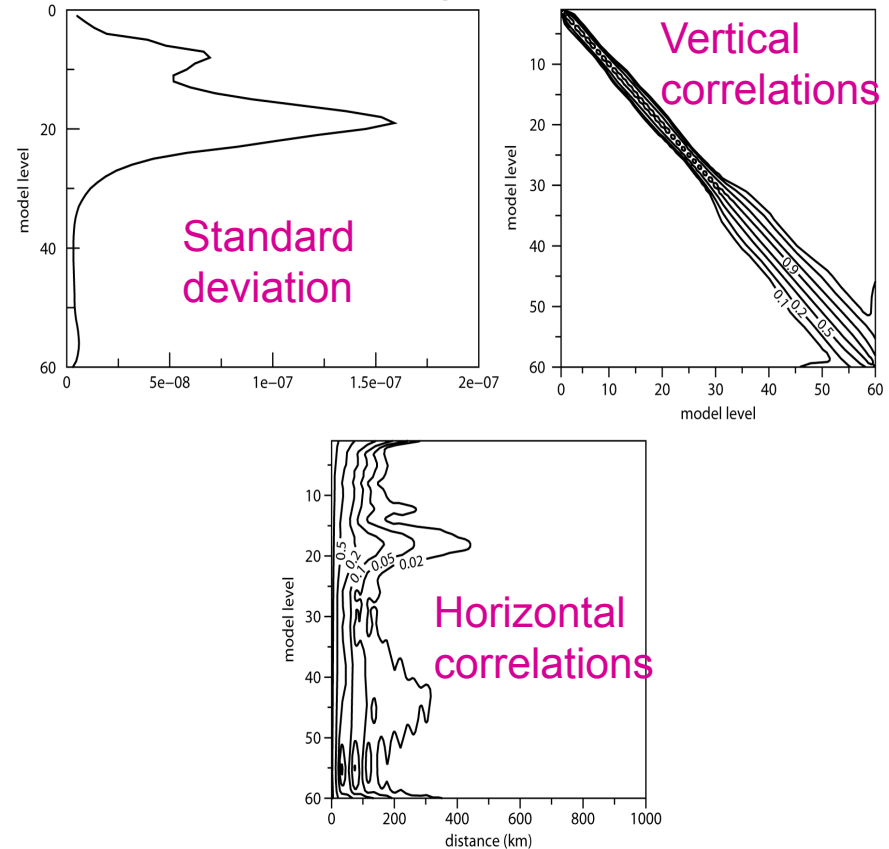
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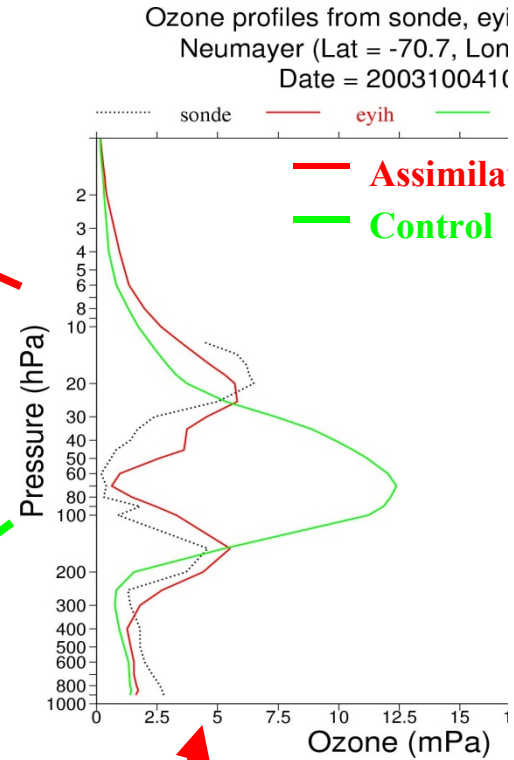
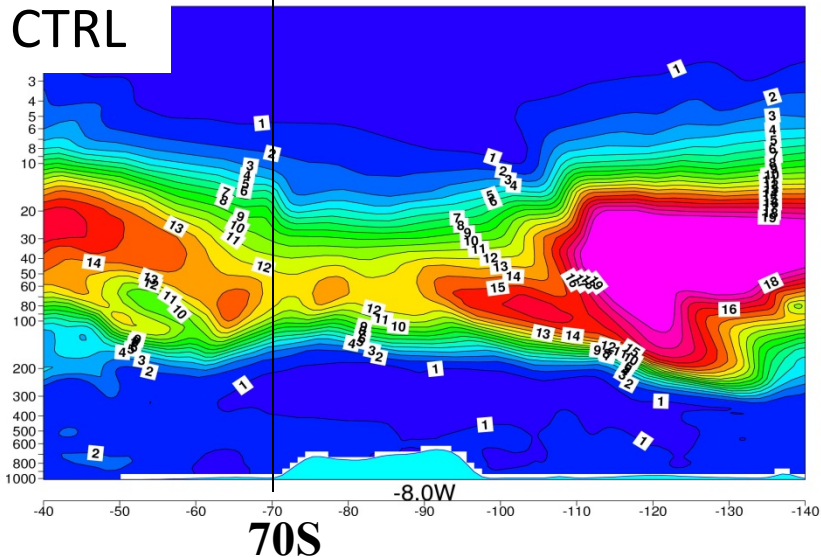
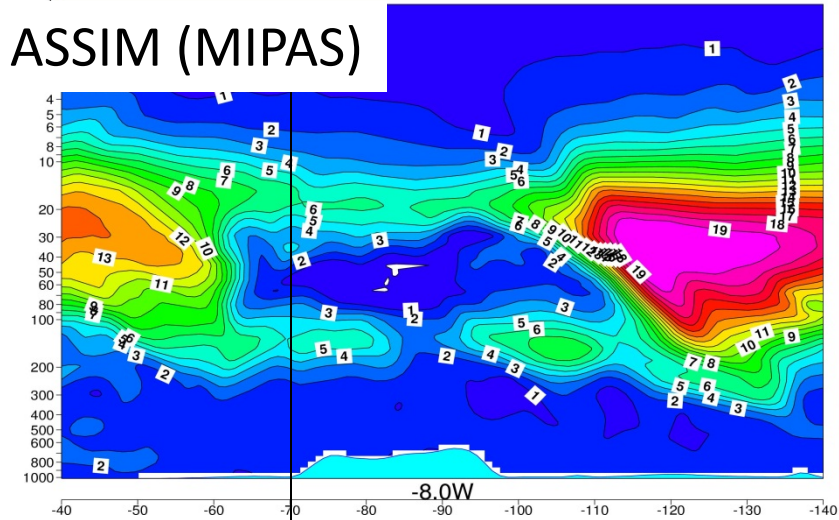
Ozone observation of 247 DU, 66 DU lower than background

- Maximum impact around L20 (~35 hPa)
- Profile data are important to obtain a good vertical analysis profiles

Ozone background errors

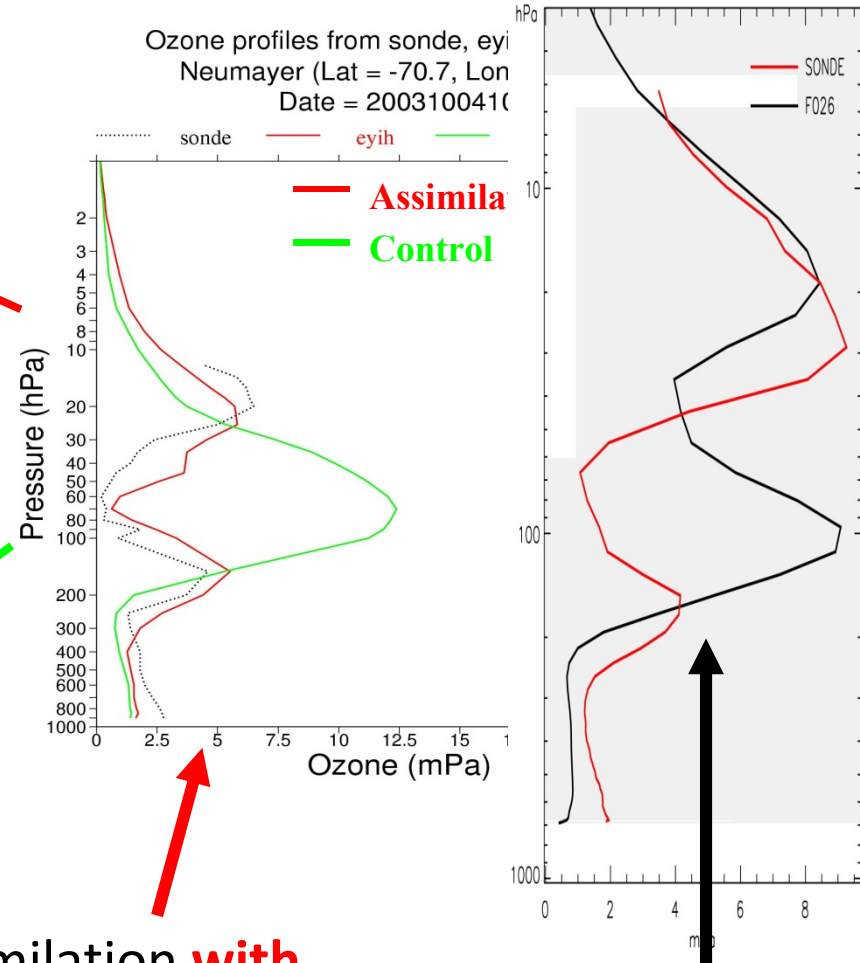


Ozone hole in GEMS reanalysis: Cross section along 8E over South Pole, 4 Oct 2003



Oct 2004

Average of all 10 profiles of F026 G03 (mPa)
over South_Pole in Oct 2004



Assimilation **with**
profile data

Assimilation **with**
total column data

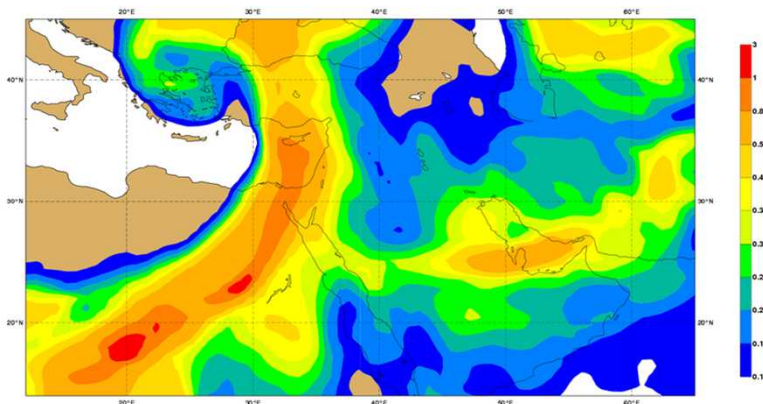
5. AEROSOL DATA ASSIMILATION

4D-Var assimilation system for aerosols

Aerosol assimilation is difficult because:

- There are numerous unknowns (depending on the aerosol model) and very little observations to constrain them
- The concentrations vary hugely with for instance strong plumes of desert dust in areas with very little background aerosol, which makes it difficult to estimate the background error covariance matrix

Wednesday 18 April 2012 00UTC MACC Forecast t+012 VT: Wednesday 18 April 2012 12UTC
Dust Aerosols Optical Depth at 550 nm



The aerosol prediction system: Forward model

12 aerosol-related prognostic variables:

- * 3 bins of sea-salt (0.03 – 0.5 – 0.9 – 20 μm)
- * 3 bins of dust (0.03 – 0.55 – 0.9 – 20 μm)
- * Black carbon (hydrophilic and –phobic)
- * Organic carbon (hydrophilic and –phobic)
- * $\text{SO}_2 \rightarrow \text{SO}_4$

fine mode
coarse mode

Physical processes include:

- emission sources (some updated in NRT, i.e. fires)
- horizontal and vertical advection by dynamics
- vertical advection by vertical diffusion and convection
- aerosol specific parameterizations for dry deposition, sedimentation, wet deposition by large-scale and convective precipitation, and hygroscopicity (SS, OM, BC, SU)

The aerosol prediction system: Analysis

- Assimilated observations are the 550nm MODIS Aerosol Optical Depths (AODs) over land and ocean, and the fine mode AODs over ocean.
- Control variable is formulated in terms of the total aerosol mixing ratio.
- To come: *dual mode control variable*. Aerosol control variables are the **fine mode** (<1 μm diameter) and **coarse mode** aerosol mixing ratio.
- Improvements of dual mode control variable are especially seen in fine mode AOD
- Analysis increments are repartitioned into the species according to their fractional contribution to the total or fine/coarse mode aerosol mixing ratio.
- Background error statistics were computed using forecasts errors as in the NMC method (48h-24h forecast differences).
- Observation errors are prescribed fixed values.
- Variational bias corrections are applied to both total and fine mode AOD.

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How does it work?

Nonlinear run:

- All bins/species are initialized from a previous forecast; the total aerosol mixing ratio is initialized from sum of all bins/species.
- All aerosol variables go through advection, vertical diffusion and convection.
- Individual bins/species mixing ratio are used to compute optical depth according to the bin/species-specific optical properties.

Tangent linear/adjoint runs:

1. Perturbations of optical depth are started from zero perturbations on individual bin/species mixing ratios on the first call of the tangent linear.
2. These perturbations are then passed to the adjoint routine to compute the gradient wrt individual bin/species mixing ratios. The gradient in the total aerosol mixing is then obtained from

$$r_t^* = \sum_i f_i r_i^*$$

where f_i represents the fractional contribution of each bin/species to the total mixing ratio.

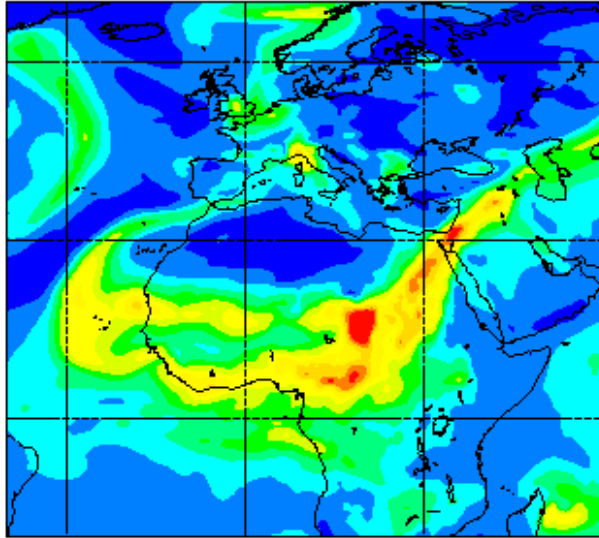
3. The gradient wrt total aerosol mixing ratio is then used in the minimization and the resulting increment in r_t is used in the tangent linear run to compute updated perturbations on the individual bin/species mixing ratios as follows:

$$r_i' = f_i r_t'$$

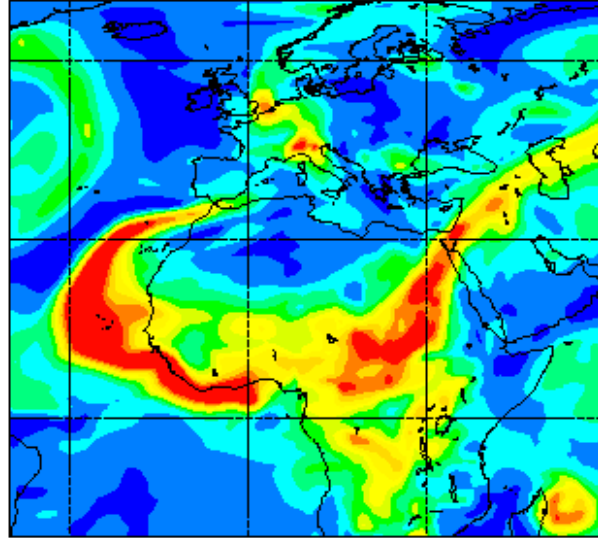
This last step is not fully justifiable unless $r_t = \sum_i r_i$ at all times and at all locations.

Saharan dust outbreak: 6 March 2004

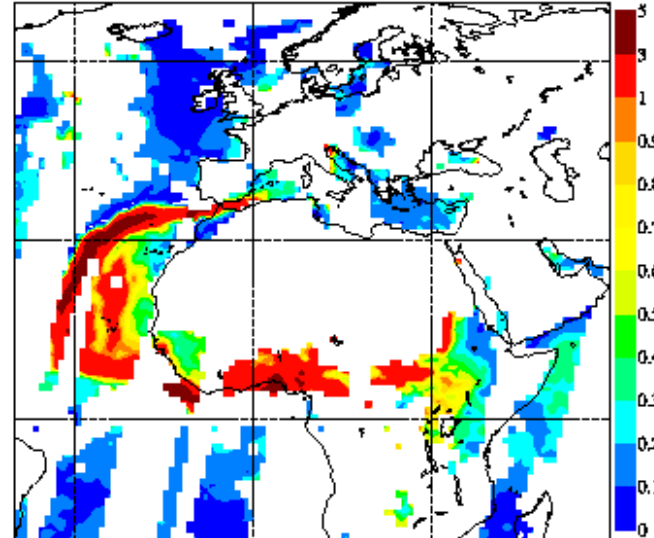
Model simulation



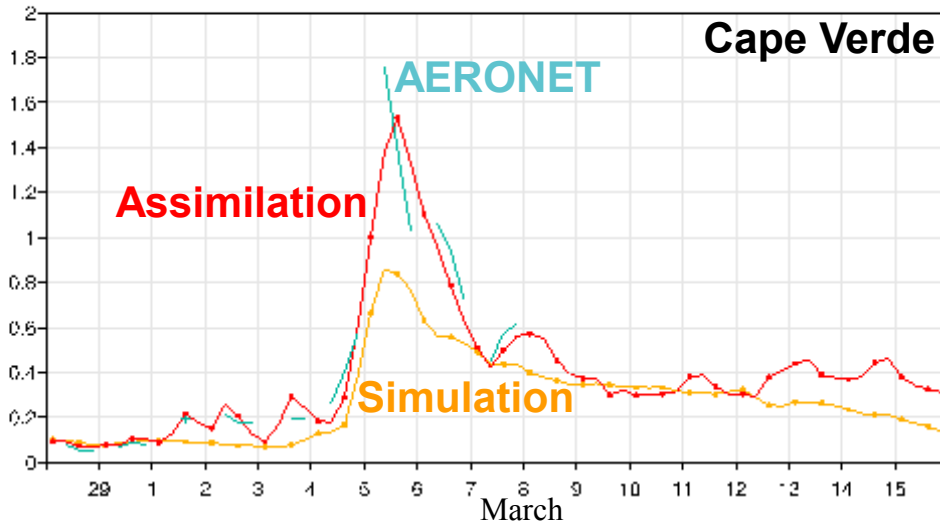
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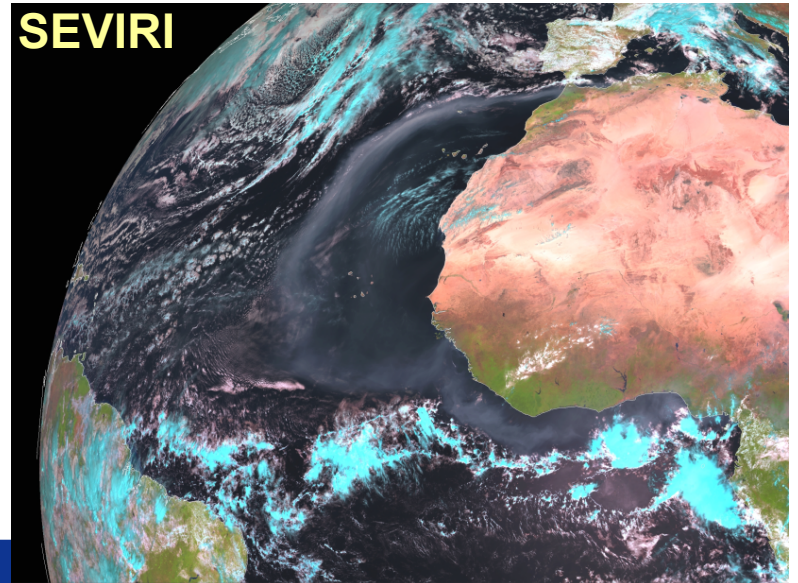
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Aerosol optical depth at 550nm (upper) and 670/675nm (lower)



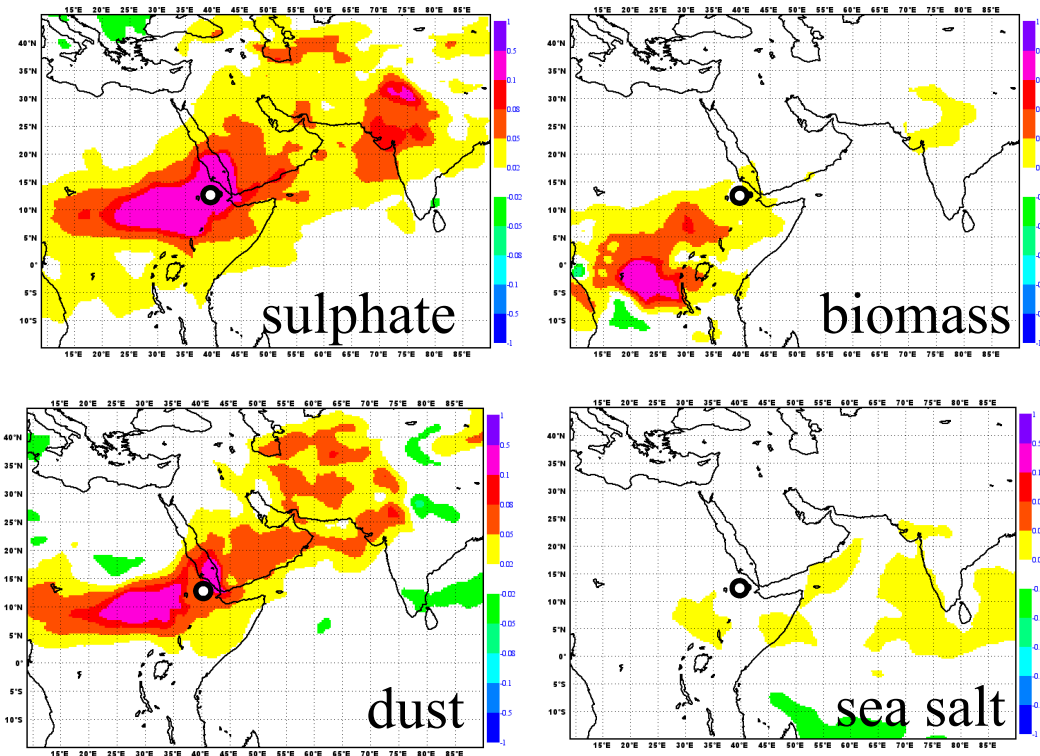
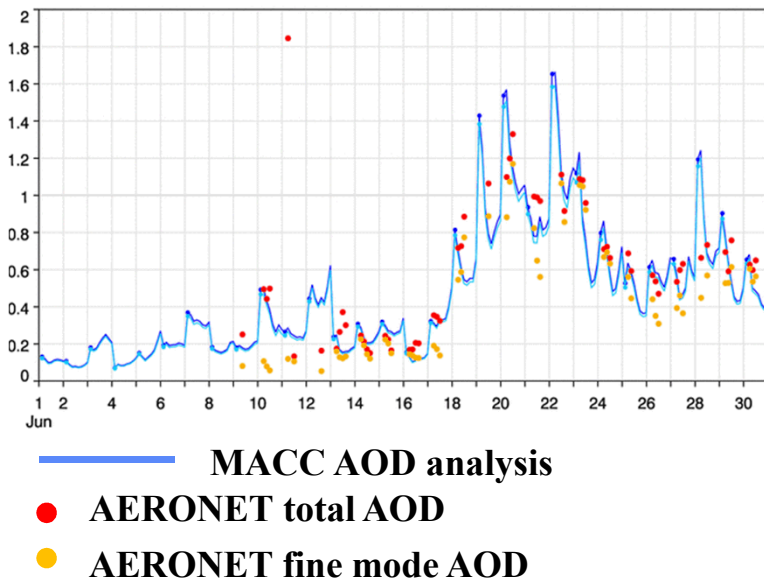
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Example for wrong aerosol attribution

Eruption of the Nabro volcano in June 2011 put a lot of fine ash into the stratosphere. This was observed by AERONET stations and the MODIS instrument.

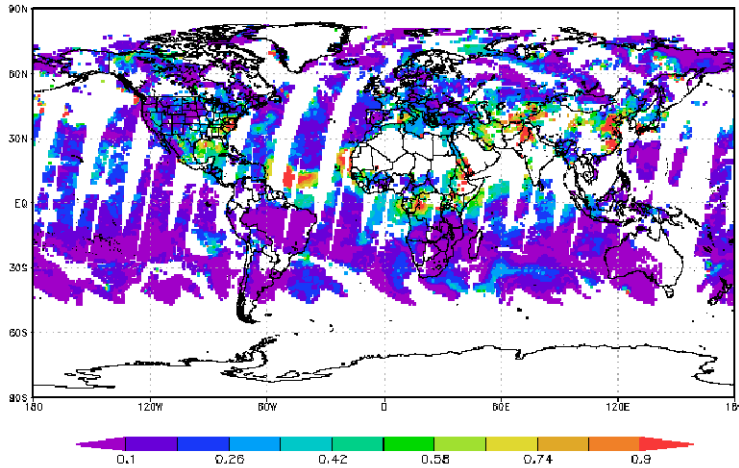
ICIPE-Mbita - AERONET



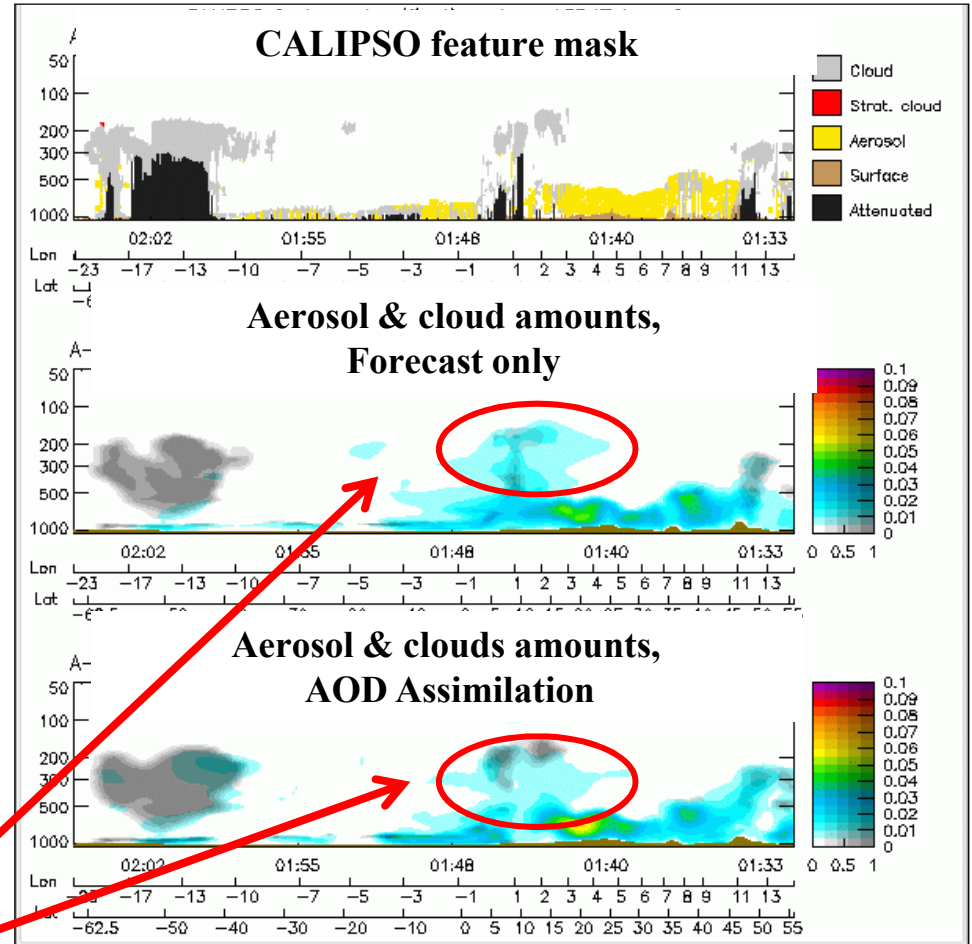
The MACC aerosol model did not contain stratospheric aerosol at this time, so the observed AOD was wrongly attributed to the available aerosol types.

Why we need profiling data for aerosol assimilation

MODIS Aerosol Optical Depth



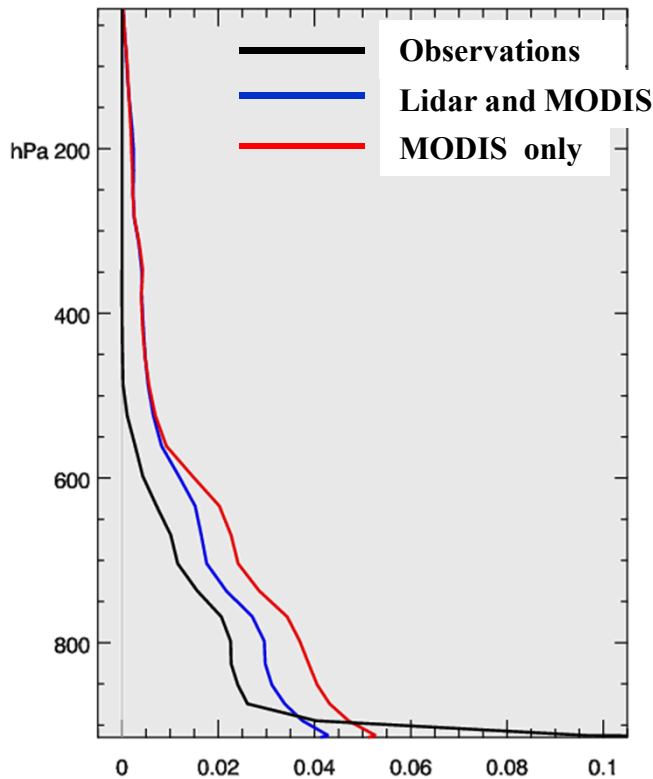
- AOD is a column-integrated quantity
- Assimilation of AOD does not modify the vertical profile
- Profile data are needed (lidar)



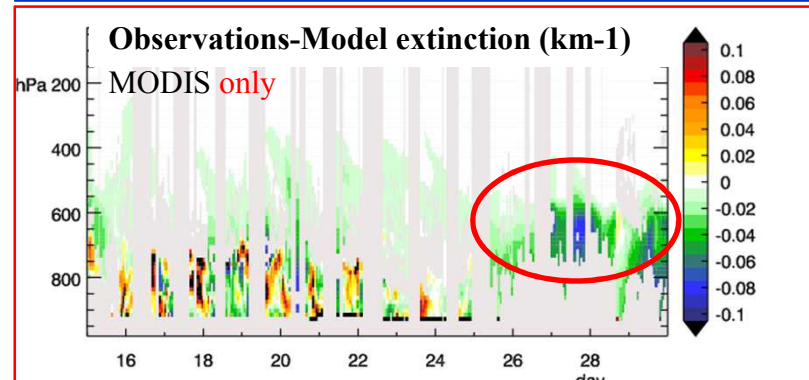
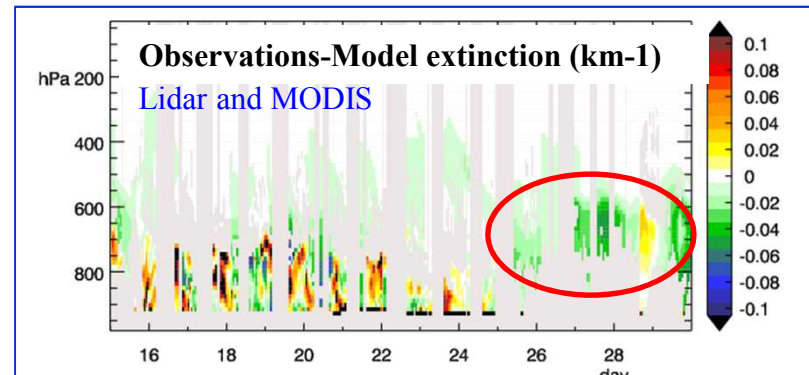
Graphics by Luke Jones

Towards lidar assimilation: Impact of Calipso on vertical profiles

- NRT CALIPSO level 1.5 product available since mid-2011
- Mean Attenuated aerosol backscatter at 532 nm (cloud cleared)
- Aimed at operational NWP centres (ECMWF, US Naval Research Lab, JMA,...)
- Developed through close collaboration with NASA LaRC CALIPSO Team
- Lidar observation operator in place and performing well
- Calipso data have positive impact on the aerosol extinction profile (in initial tests)



Monthly averaged extinction (km^{-1}) at 532nm at Sede Boker (453 profiles)



(*) Lidar data are courtesy of Arnon Karnieli. Special thanks to Simone Lolli, Judd Welton and the MPLNET team.

6. Concluding remarks

- Atmospheric composition (AC) and weather interact
- IFS has been extended to include fields of atmospheric composition: Reactive gases, greenhouse gases, aerosols => **Composition-IFS (C-IFS)**
- Modelling of AC needs to include many species with concentrations varying over several orders of magnitude
- AC forecasts benefit from realistic initial conditions (**data assimilation**) but likewise from improved emissions
- Extra challenges for DA of atmospheric composition compared to NWP - but also potential benefits through chemical coupling and impact on NWP
- MACC/ CAMS system produces useful AC forecast and analyses, freely available from www.copernicus-atmosphere.eu



More information about the environmental monitoring activities at ECMWF and how to access the data can be found on:



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