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# Stratospheric ozone: satellite observations, data assimilation and forecasts

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# 1) Ozone and Numerical Weather Prediction

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## Assimilation of ozone at NWP centres

The major weather centres have programmes on ozone data assimilation (extension of the models into the stratosphere/mesosphere)

- ECMWF
  - ERA-40 (TOMS, SBUV)
  - Operational (GOME, SBUV)
- NOAA/NCEP
- DAO (TOMS, SBUV)
- Meteo France (TOVS)
- UKMO, Univ.Reading (GOME, MLS)
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## Ozone assimilation in numerical weather prediction

Benefits for atmospheric chemistry science community:

Multi-year data base of 4D ozone fields,

- consistent with the available (satellite) observations,
- consistent with the dynamical state of the atmosphere

Science questions:

- Recovery ozone layer
- Chemistry - climate interaction

ECMWF ERA-40:

satellite observations 1978-present, TOMS, SBUV

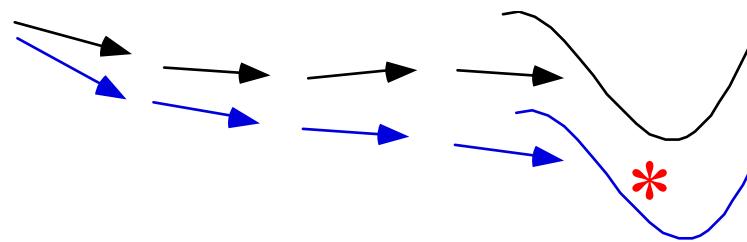
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## Impact of ozone on NWP

Benefits of accurate ozone observations to numerical weather prediction

- Radiation: ozone has strong influence on temperature (and wind)
- Satellite retrieval: TOVS
- Assimilated ozone observations lead to wind increments
- UV forecast



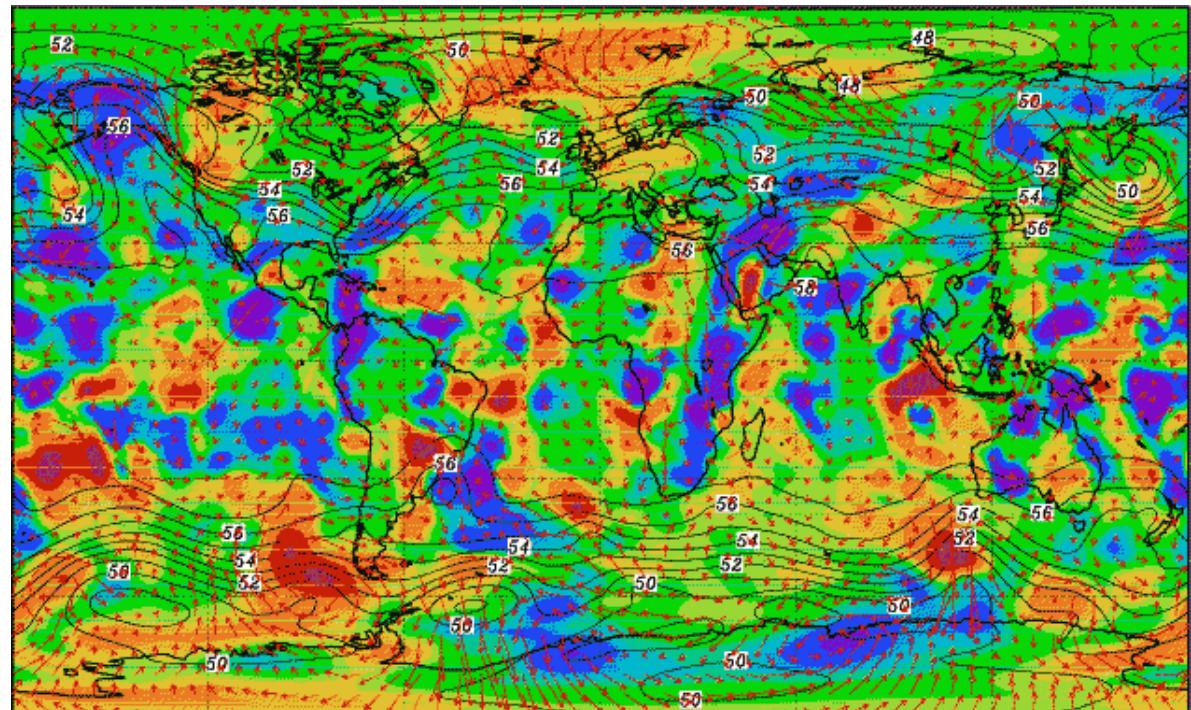
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## Impact of ozone on NWP

Wind increments  
due to  
TOVS ozone  
observations

ECMWF model

(EU SODA project)



Wind increments  $\sim 0.5$  m/s

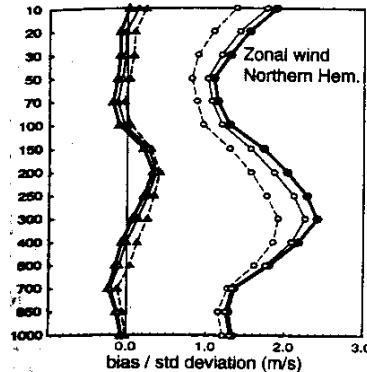
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## OSSE: Impact of TOVS column retrievals on winds

Zonal wind



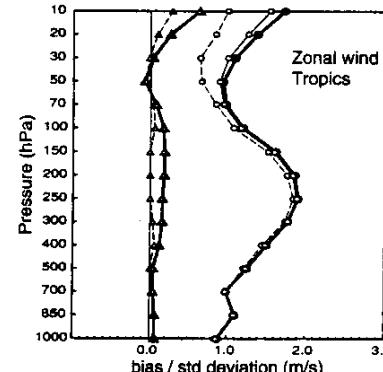
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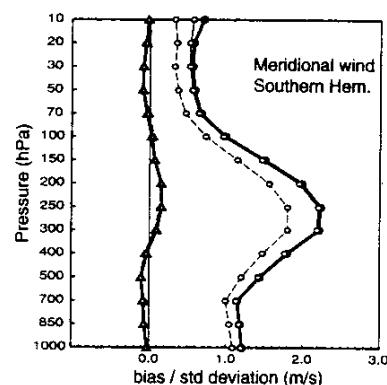
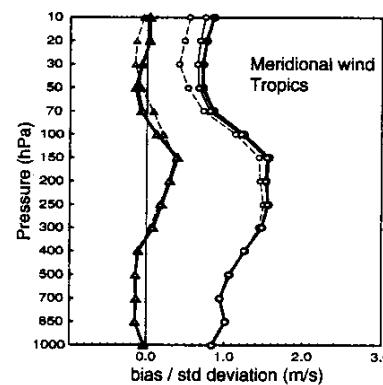
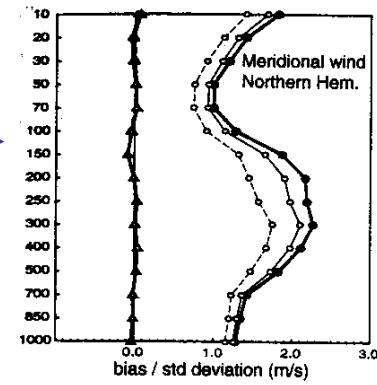
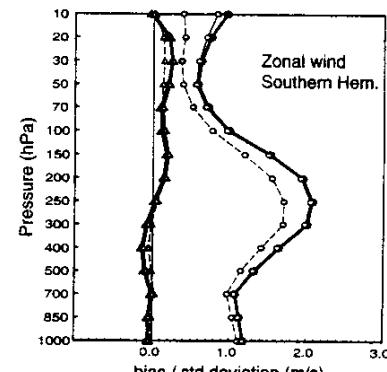
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A. Peuch et al, QJRMS 126, 1641, 2000

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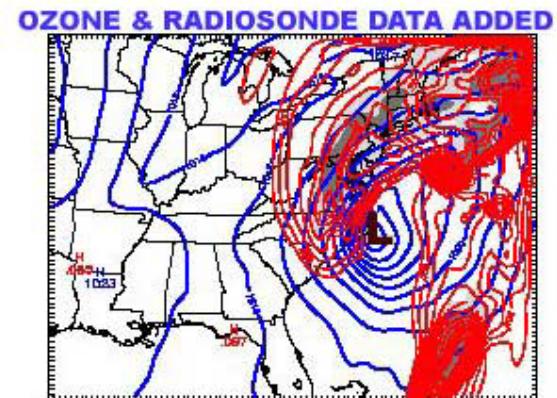
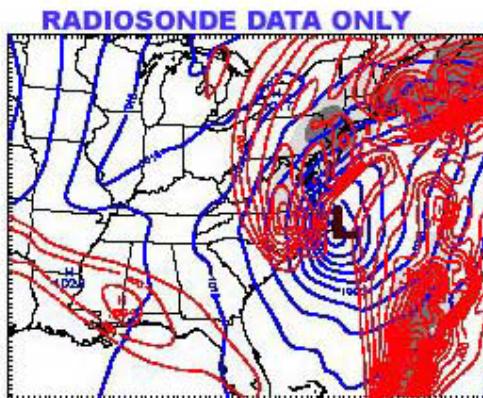
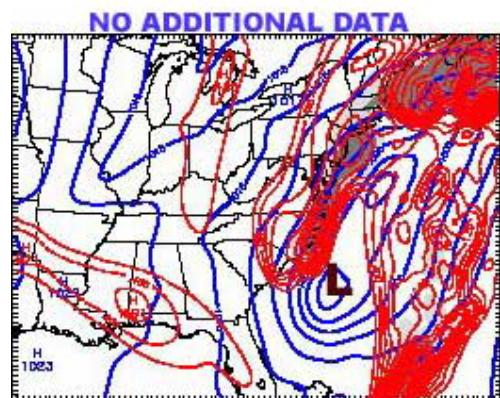
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Jang et al, J.Appl.Meteorol. 42, 2003

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## 2) Satellite observations of ozone

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## Satellite instruments

### UV-Vis nadir

- TOMS (1978-present), SBUV, SBUV-2, GOME, SCIAMACHY

### Occultation

- HALOE, SAGE, POAM, GOMOS

### Limb (IR, MW, UV-Vis)

- MLS on UARS, MIPAS, OSIRIS, SMR

### Nadir (IR)

- TOVS, AIRS

### Information on the troposphere:

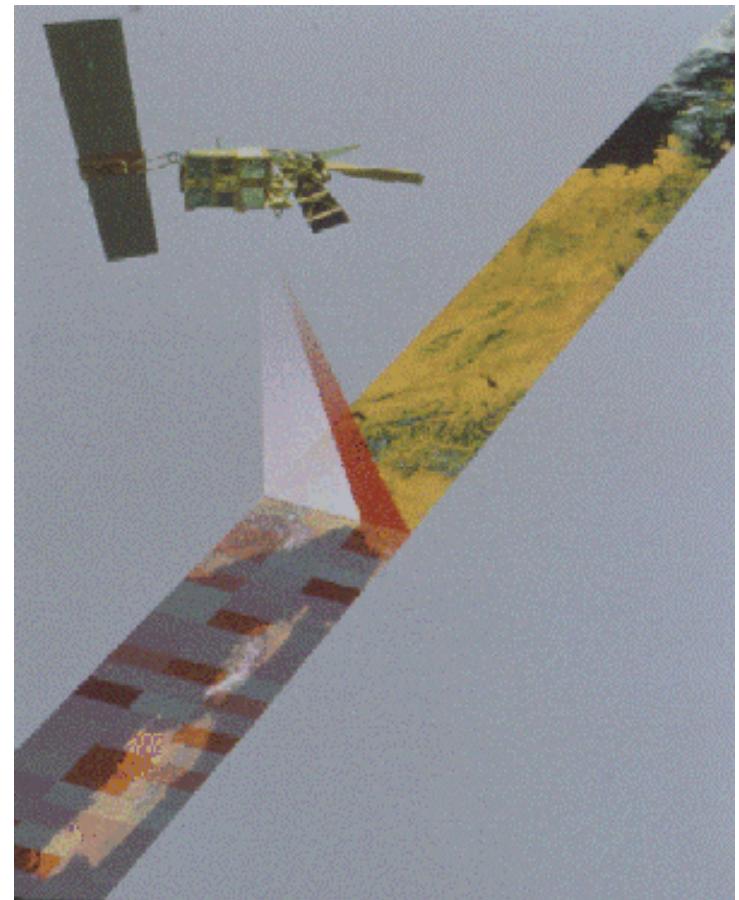
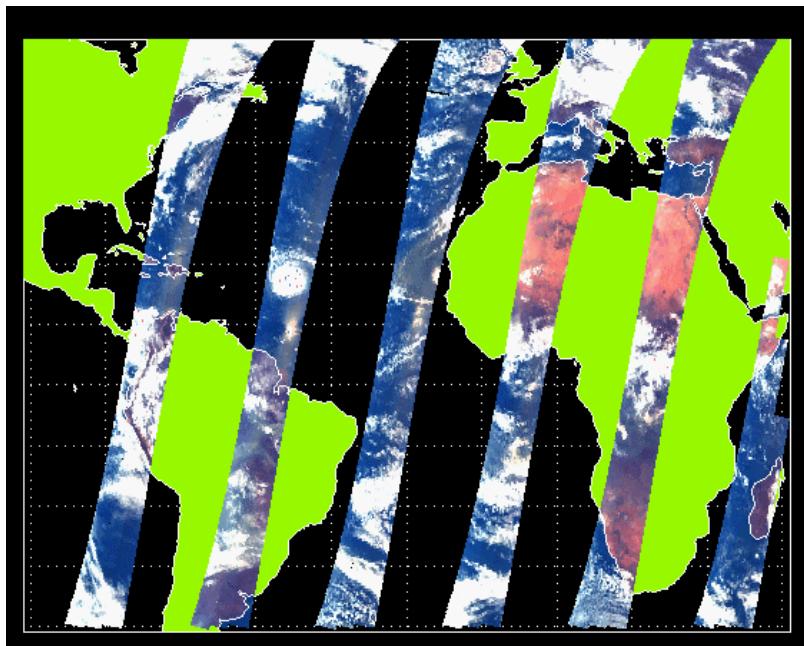
TOMS, GOME, SCIAMACHY

### Ground-based observations

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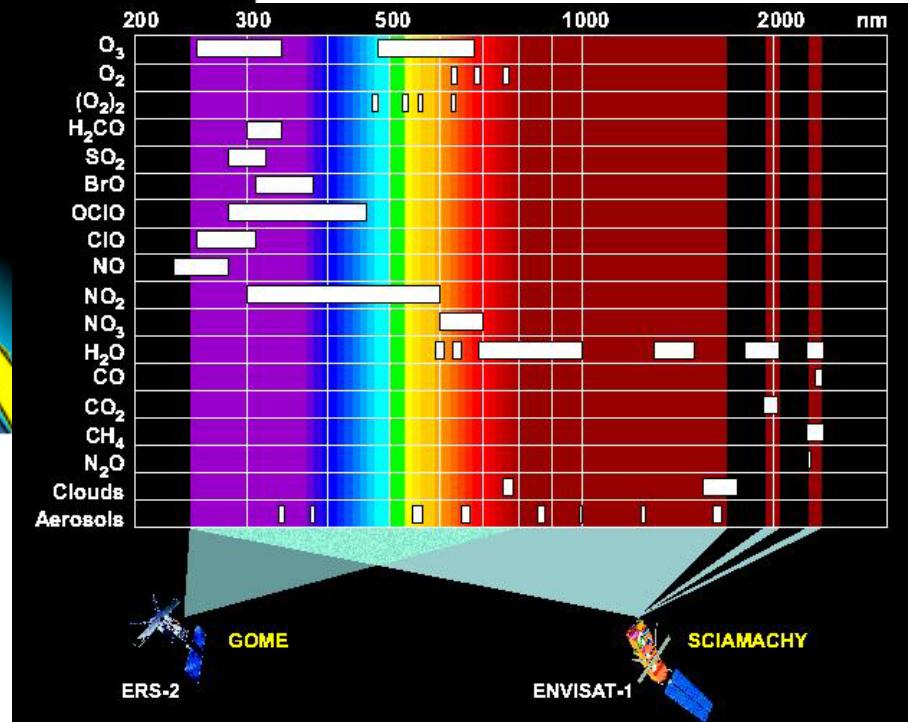
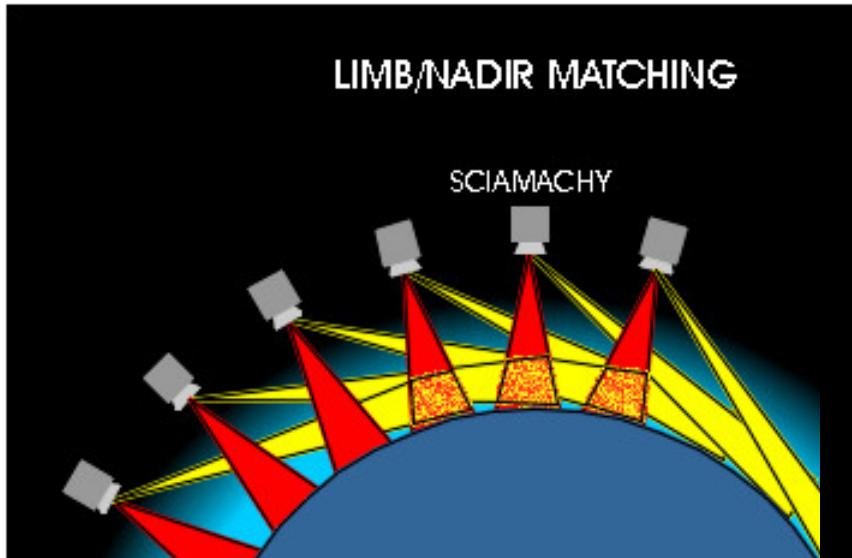
## GOME on ERS-2, 1995 -



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## SCIAMACHY on ENVISAT, 2002 -



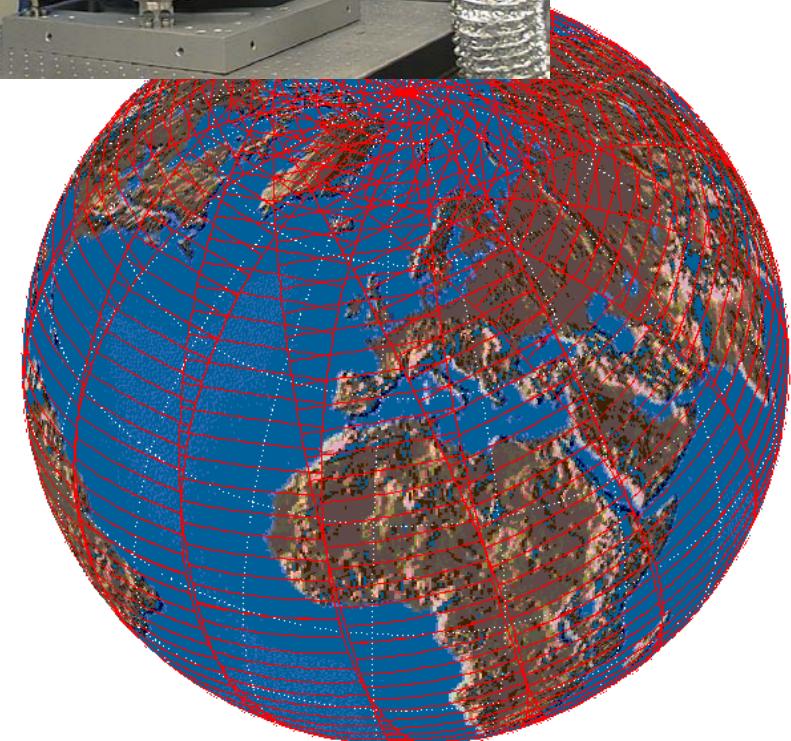
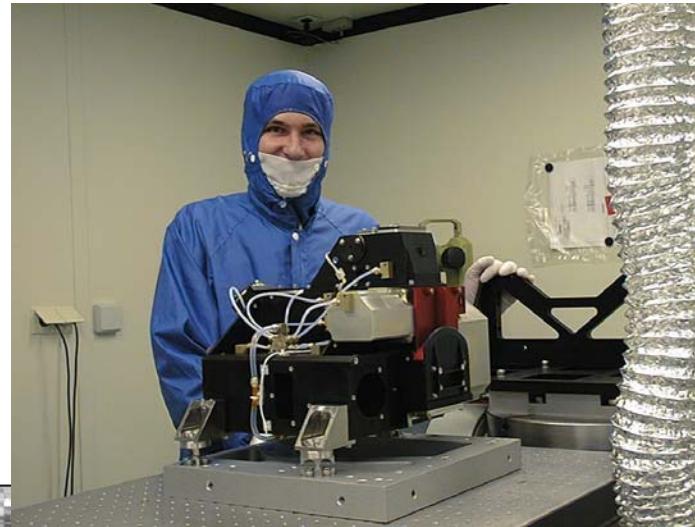
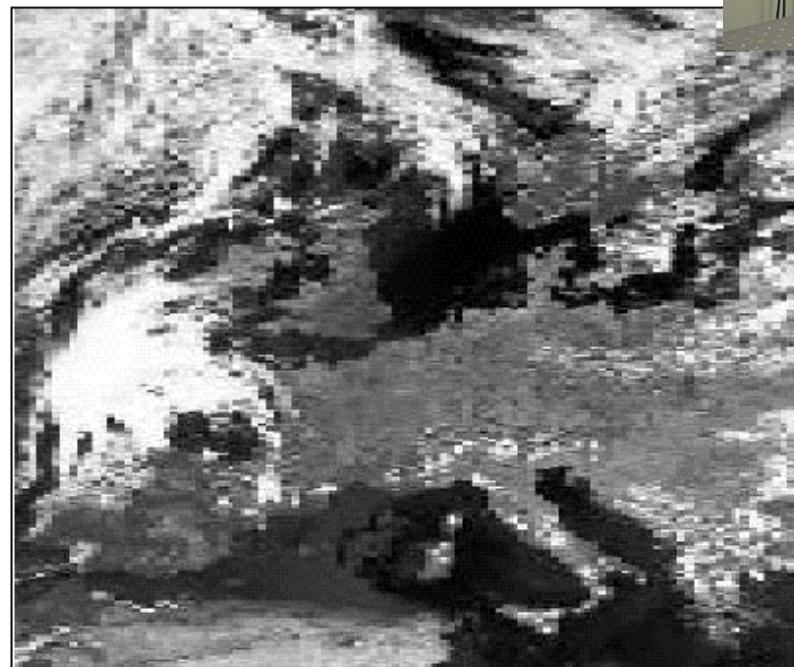
### Troposfeer & stratosfeer

- O<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>CO, SO<sub>2</sub>
- CH<sub>4</sub>, CO, CO<sub>2</sub>

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## OMI on EOS-AURA, 2004 -



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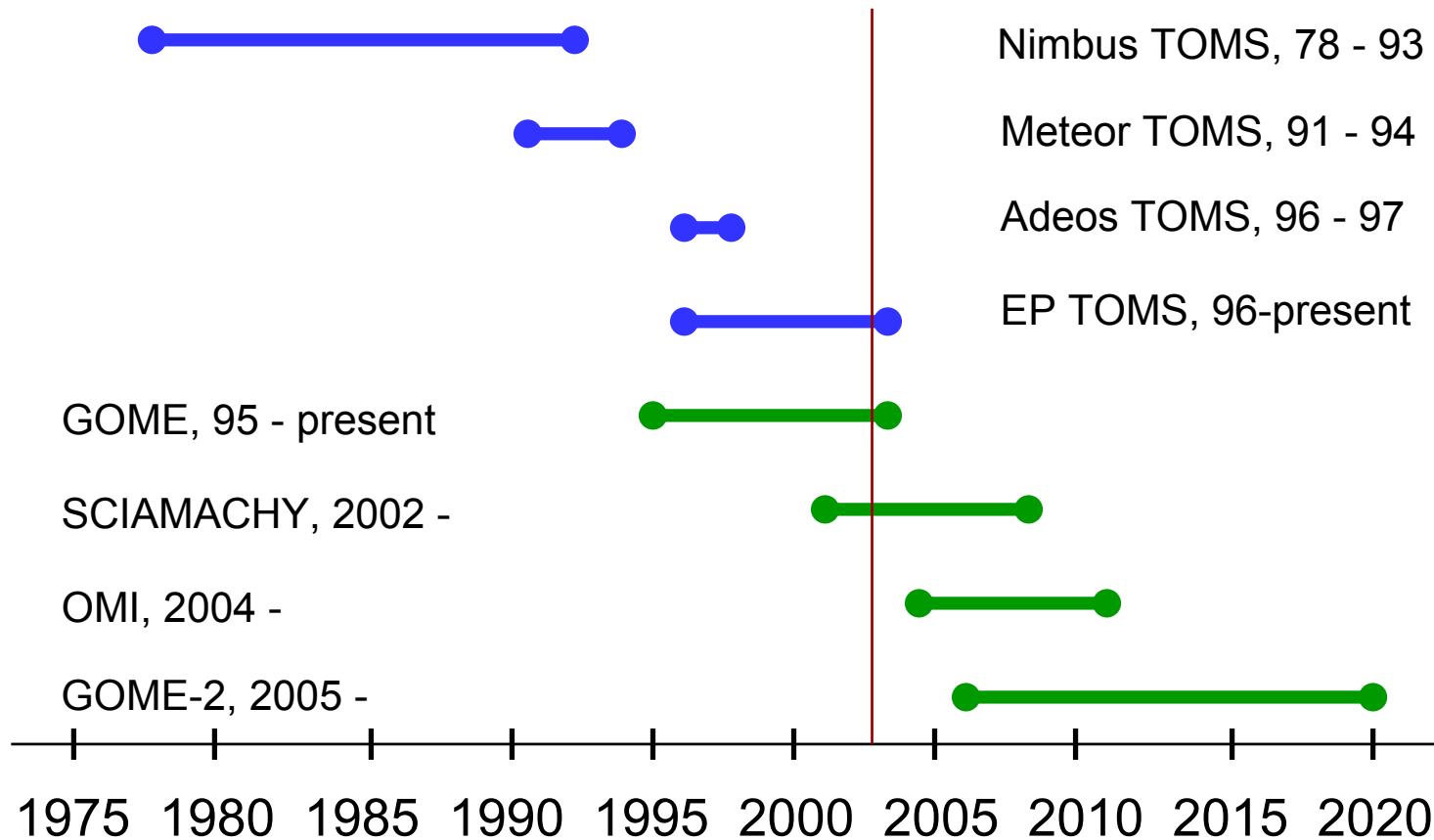
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## GOME-2 on METOP, 2005-2020



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## Ozone column measurements, 1978 - 2020



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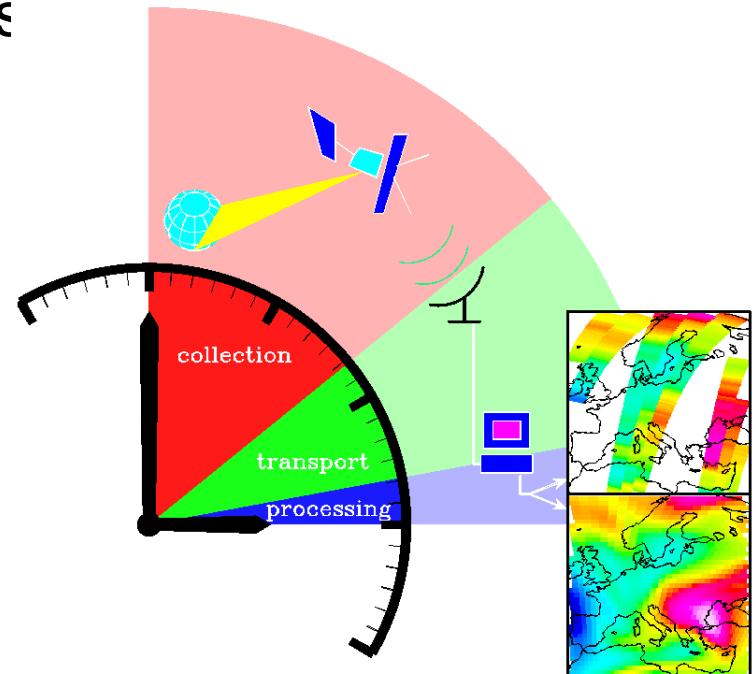
### 3) Retrieval

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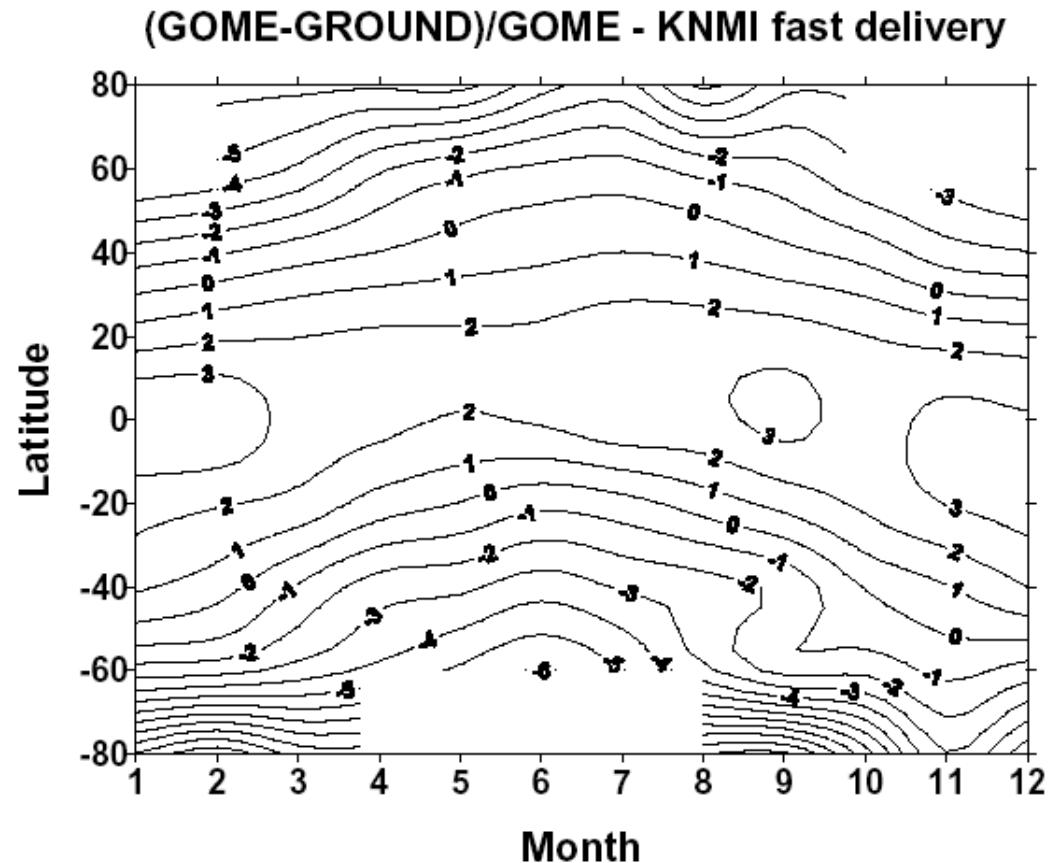
## KNMI/ESA GOME Fast Delivery total ozone product

- Availability of ozone observations in less than 3 hours after the measurement (ESA Data User Programme)
- Used in ECMWF operational analyses



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## KNMI/ESA GOME Fast Delivery total ozone product

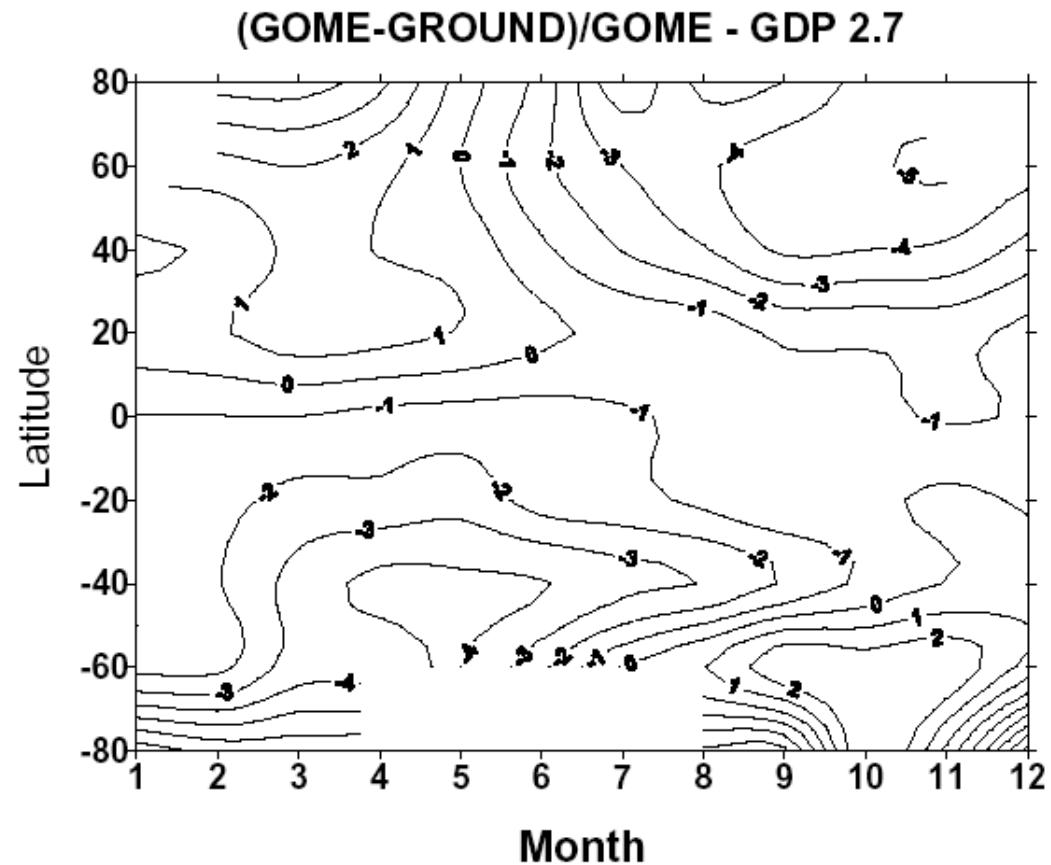


Validation:  
Dimitris Balis, LAP  
Fast Delivery vs.3  
KNMI

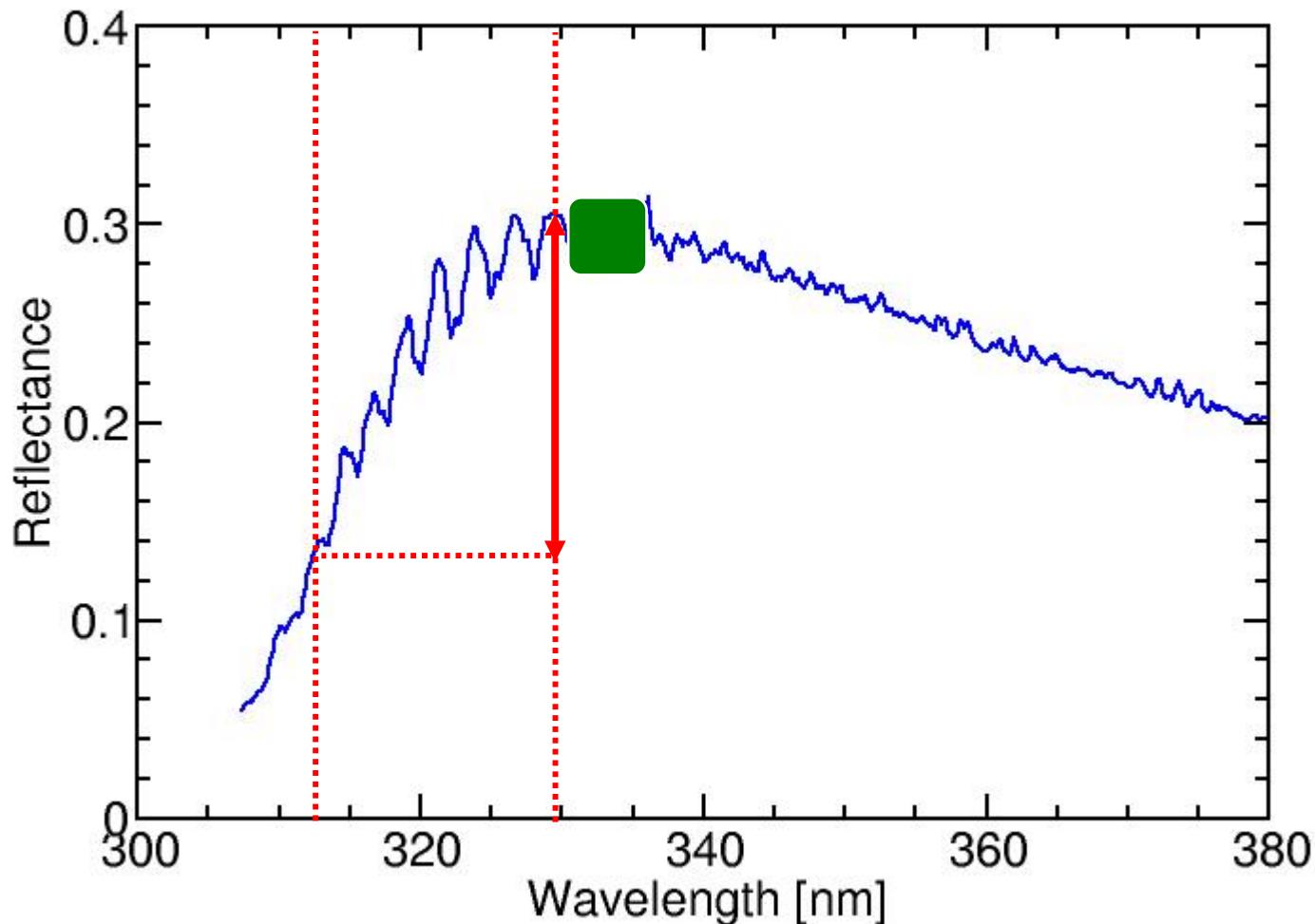
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## ESA/DLR GOME Data Processor

Validation:  
Dimitris Balis, LAP  
DLR GDP v2.7

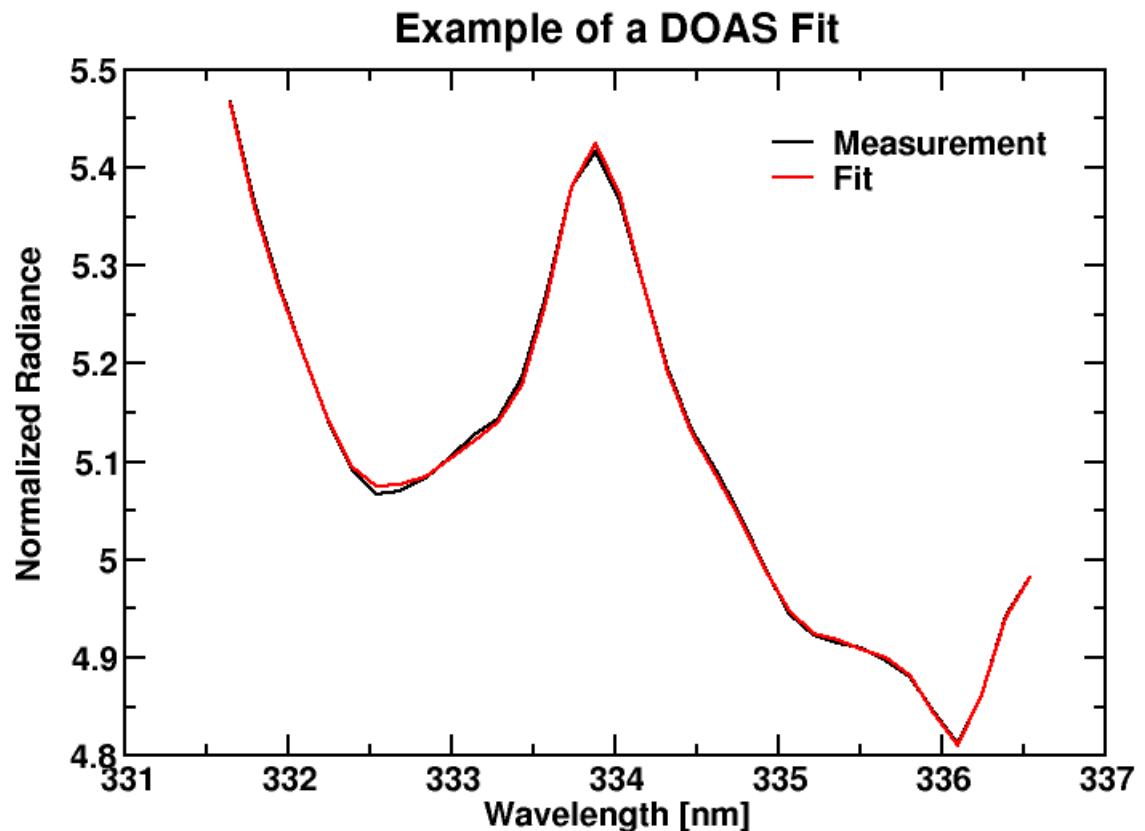


## Ozone retrieval: TOMS retrieval vs. DOAS



## Ozone retrieval: DOAS

First OMI ozone measurements



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## Ozone retrieval: new DOAS algorithm

Based on the OMI-DOAS operational algorithm (P. Veefkind)  
Implementations for GOME (P. Valks) and Sciamachy

### Innovations compared to Fast Delivery, vs 3

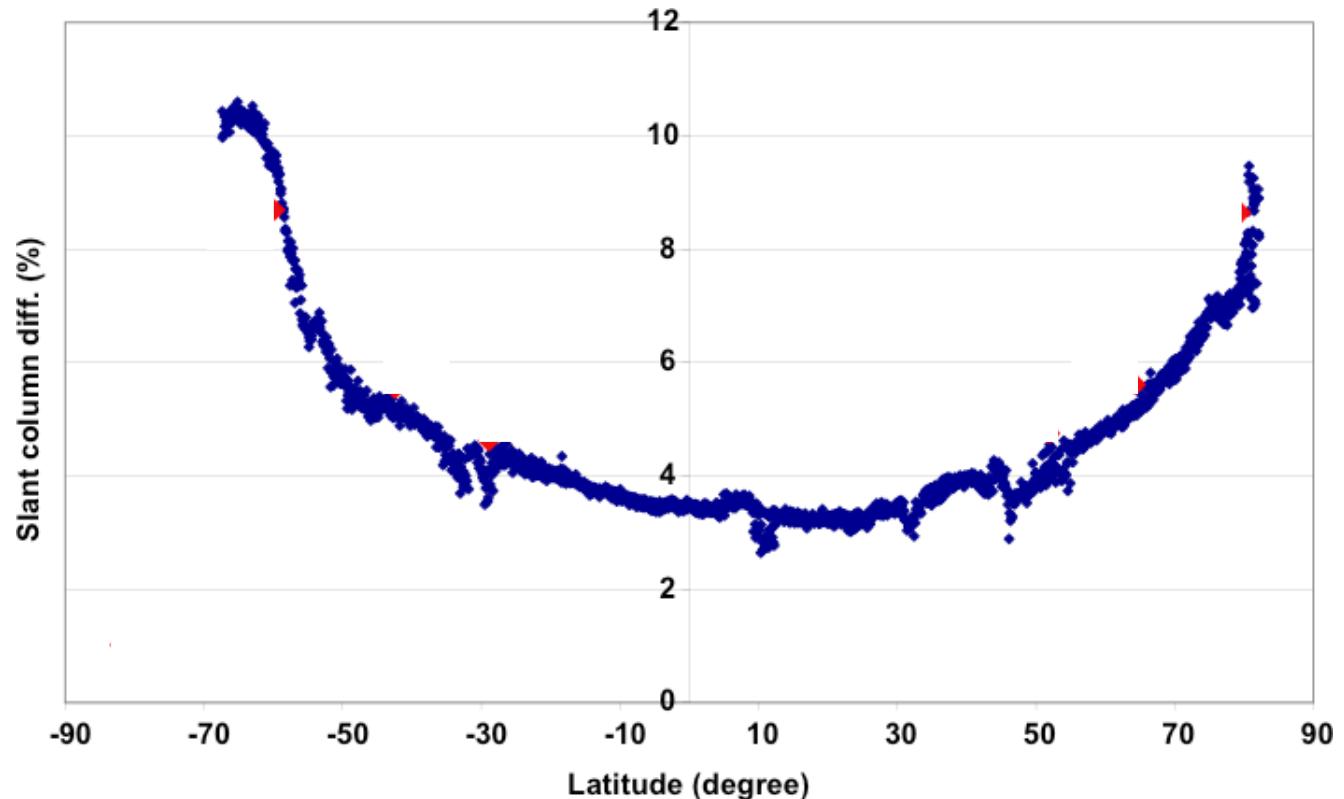
- New treatment of Raman scattering (J. de Haan)
- Empirical air-mass factor approach
- Wavelength window - reduced T dependence
- TOMS v8 ozone profile data base
- Radiative transfer improvement

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## New approach to Raman scattering

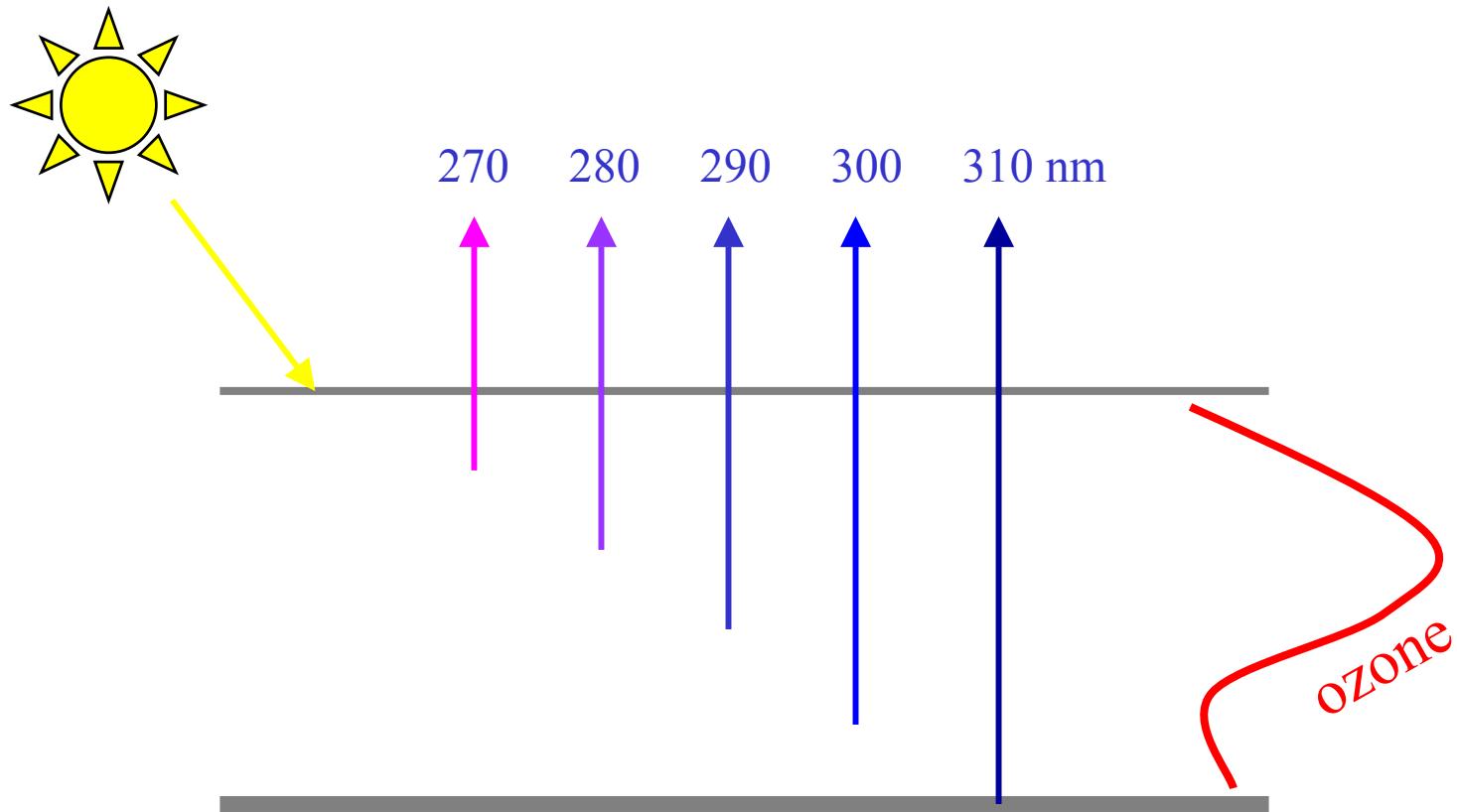
Difference between old and new treatment of Raman



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## Ozone nadir profile retrieval



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## Ozone profile retrieval: challenges

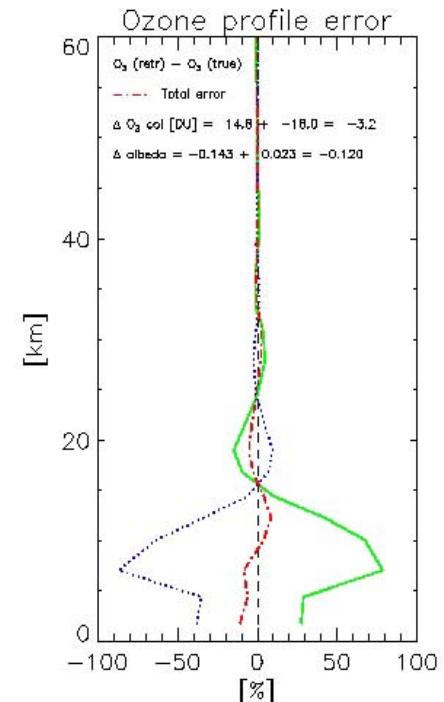
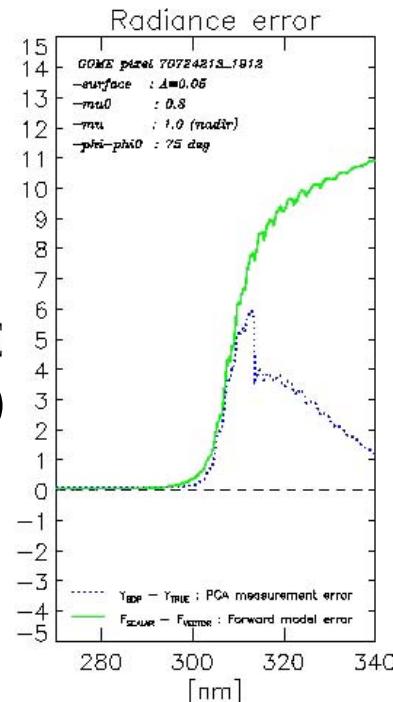
Understanding/ Explaining spectrum

- Radiation modelling:

- ✓ Raman scattering (*Ring effect*)
- ✓ Spherical atmosphere
- ✓ Polarisation

- Instrumental characteristics (GOME)

- ✓ Degradation
- ✓ Radiometric calibration
- ✓ Wavelength calibration
- ✓ Polarisation correction



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## 4) Ozone assimilation

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## GOME ozone assimilation: motivation

- Extend the use of GOME data (level-4 products)
  - 4D ozone data base
  - global synoptic maps every 6 hours
- Feedback on error statistics
  - Quality of observations
  - Quality of model
- Participation in satellite validation
- Ozone forecasts
- Case studies, e.g. mini-holes, 2002 ozone hole break-up

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## GOME ozone assimilation

Chemistry-transport assimilation model TM3DAM:

- GOME data: KNMI NRT ozone columns
- 2.5 degree resolution, 44 layers
- ECMWF meteo (60 layer)
- Prather second moment advection
- Parameterised stratospheric chemistry
  - Gas-phase
  - Heterogeneous
- Detailed forecast error modelling

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## Stratospheric chemistry parametrization

Gas-phase chemistry

Cariolle, Déqué, JGR 91, 10825, 1986

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\chi}{dt} = & \langle S \rangle + \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial \chi} \right\rangle (\chi - \langle \chi \rangle) \\ & + \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right\rangle (T - \langle T \rangle) + \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial \Phi} \right\rangle (\Phi - \langle \Phi \rangle)\end{aligned}$$

$\chi$  ozone concentration

$S$  sources - sinks

$\Phi$  ozone column above point

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## Stratospheric chemistry parametrization

Heterogeneous chemistry

(Peter Braesicke, CAS, Cambridge Univ.)

$$\frac{d\chi}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\tau} A \chi$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_p} (1 - A) - \frac{1}{\tau_l} A$$

$\chi$  ozone concentration

$A$  activation tracer field (cold tracer)

$\tau$  ozone depletion time scale

$\tau_p$  activation time scale

$\tau_l$  cold tracer life time

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## Stratospheric chemistry

A serious chemistry scheme for the stratosphere involves order 40 transported species - very expensive for NWP

Alternative:

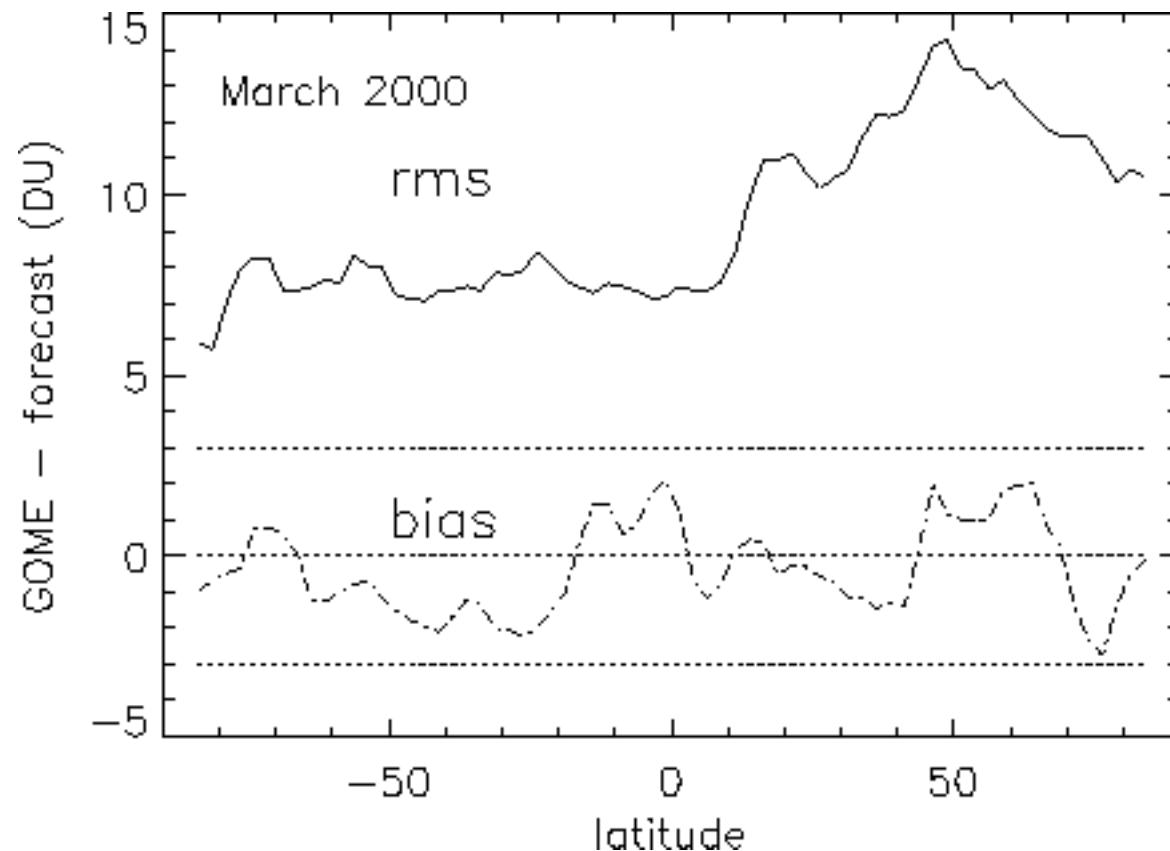
Import ozone production and loss rates from a lower resolution CTM

$$\frac{\partial \chi}{\partial t} = P - \frac{1}{\tau_{loss}} \chi$$

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## Observation minus forecast statistics

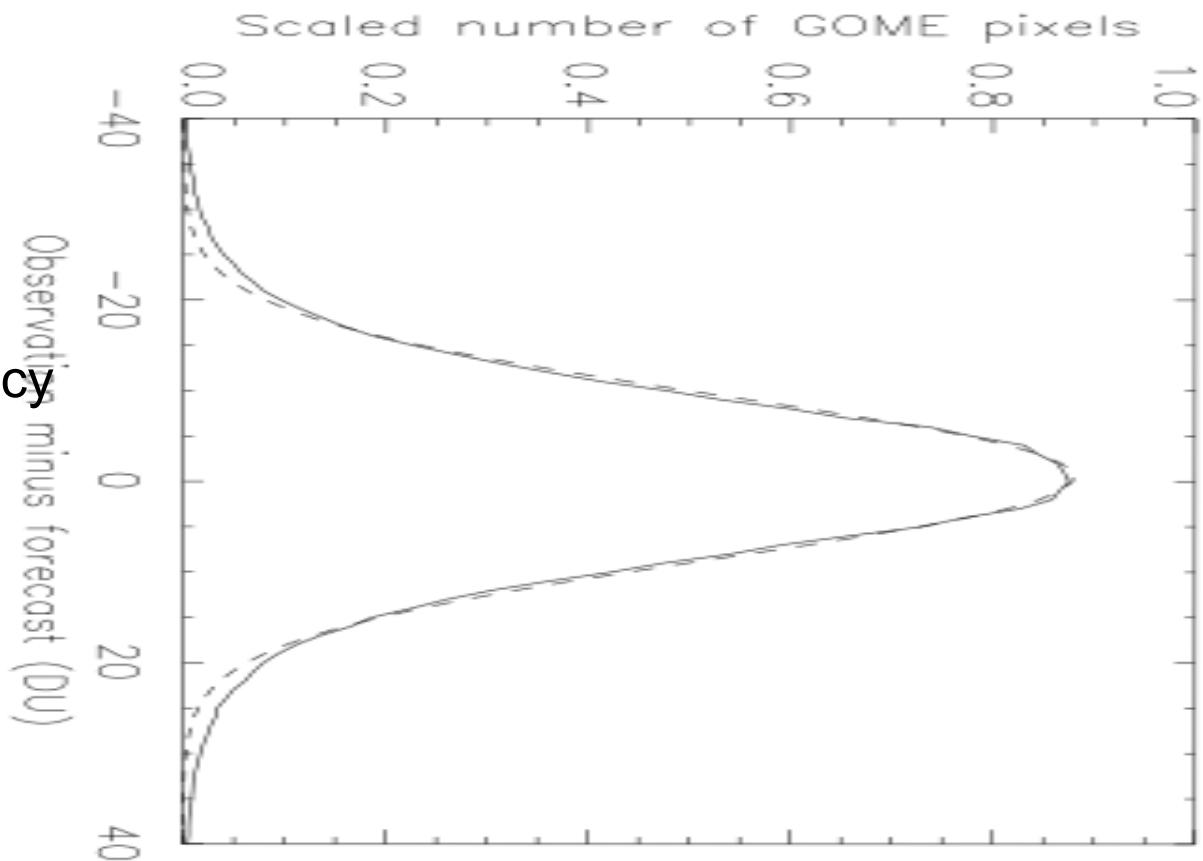


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## Gaussian statistics

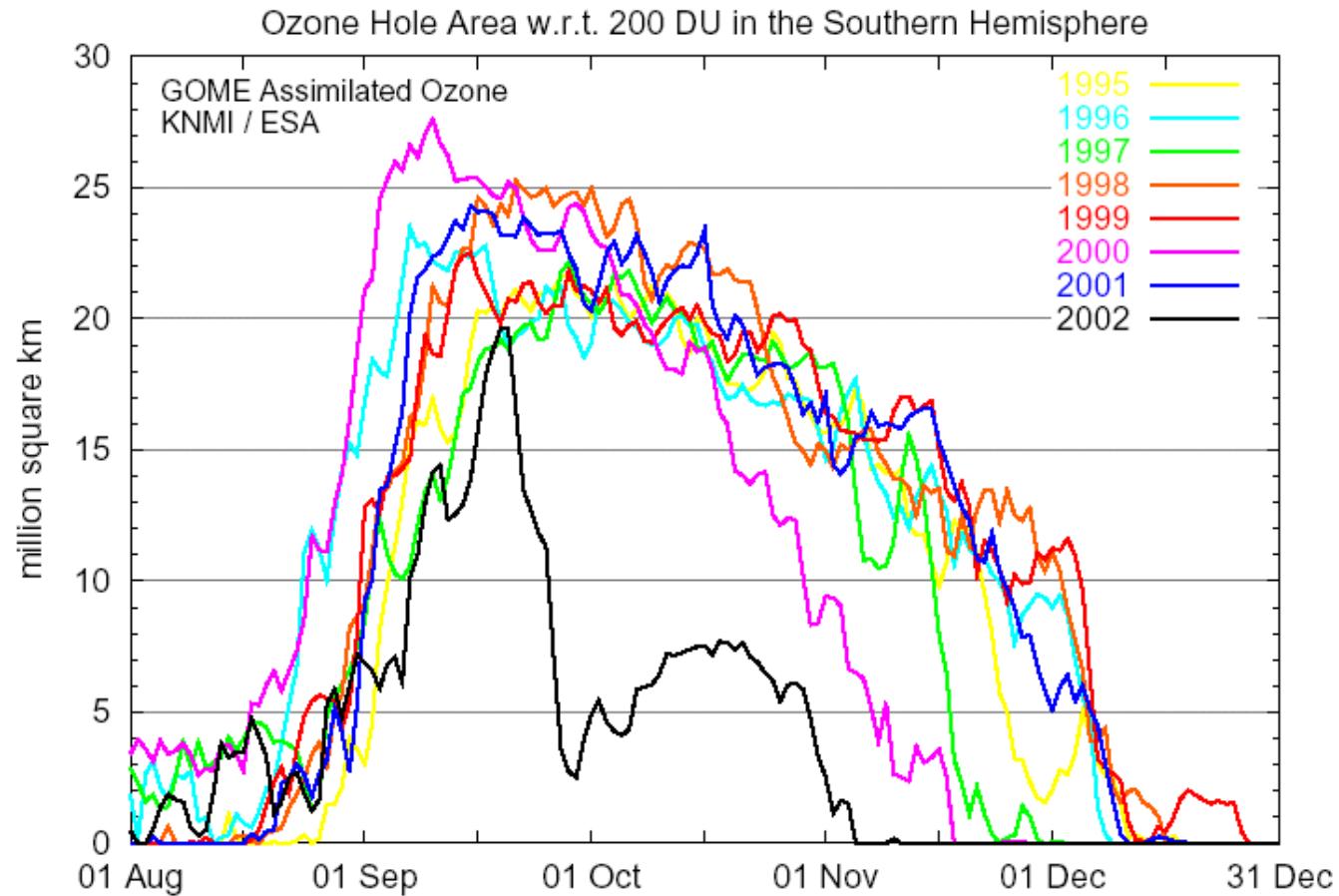
Internal consistency  
GOME data  
  
Low noise (< 2%)  
  
No quality control  
needed



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## 7 year GOME data set

<http://www.knmi.nl/goa>



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## 5) Residual circulation and trace gas distributions: Brewer-Dobson, STE

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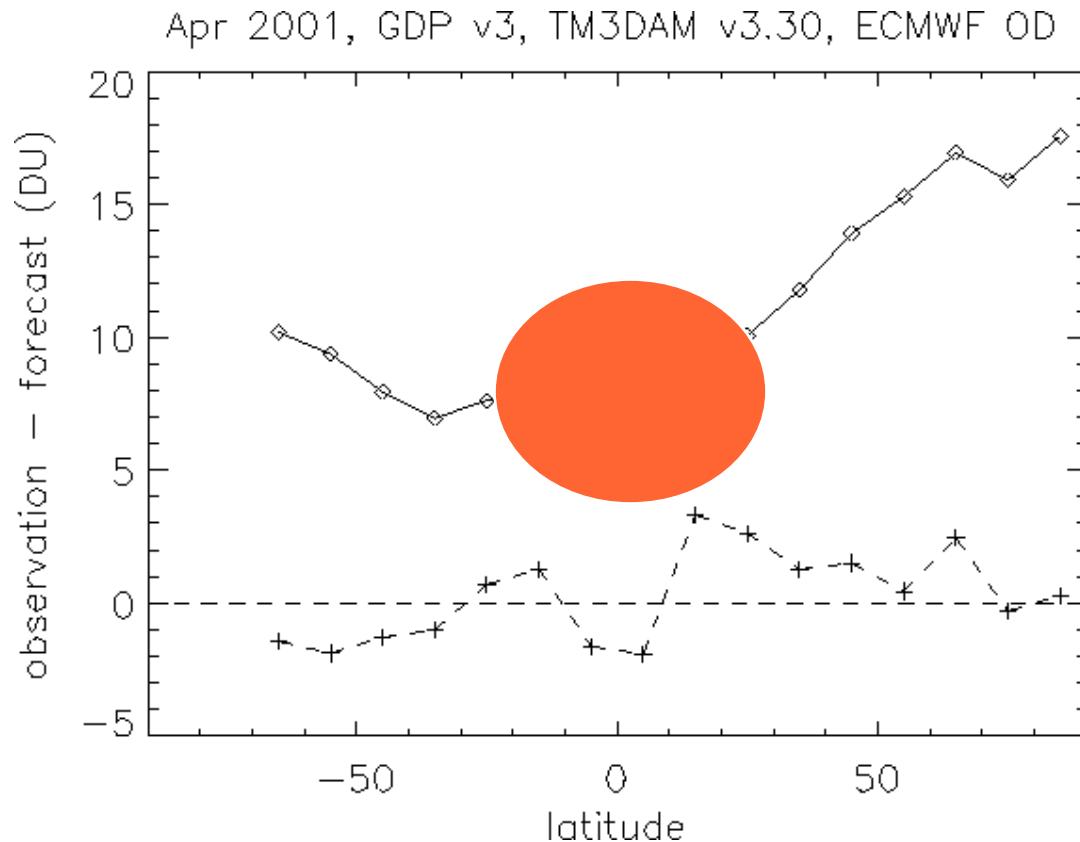
## Ozone assimilation: dependence on ECMWF meteorology

- ERA-40 (1995-1999)
- OD (1999-2002)

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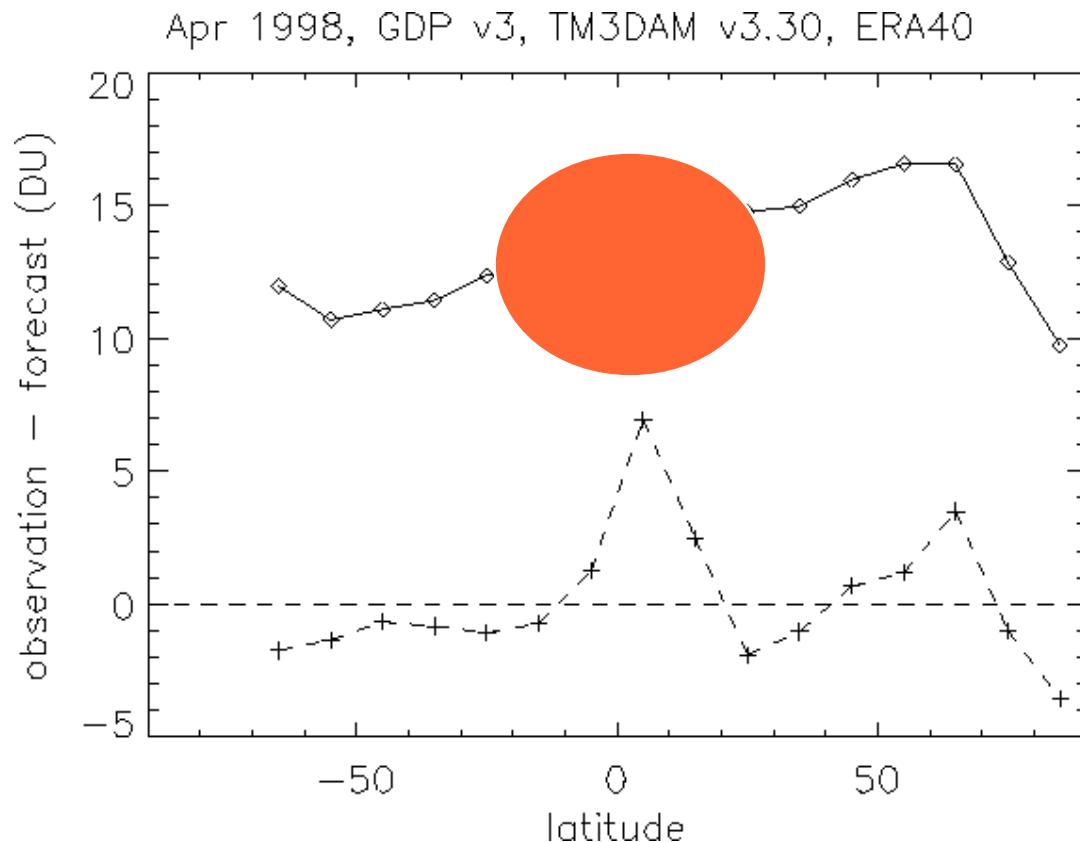
## Observation minus forecast statistics: ECMWF OD



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## OmF vs latitude, GDP3, ECMWF ERA-40

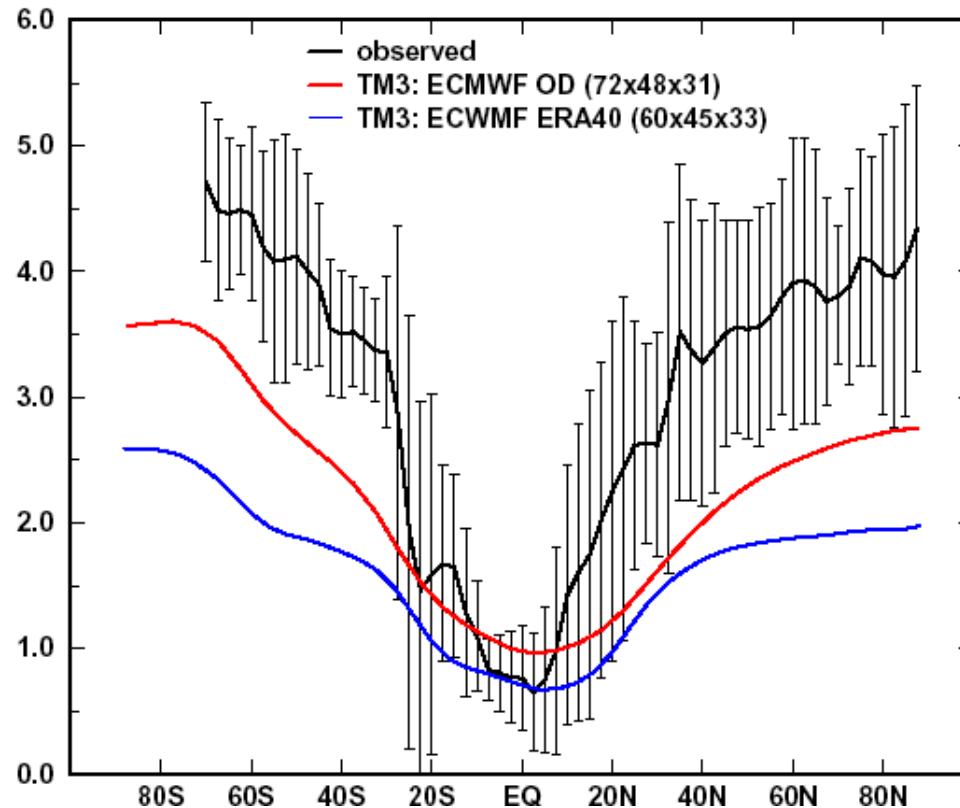


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## Age of air

Age-of-air (yr) at 20 km  
TM3 results VS ER-2 observations



Bram Bregman, proc. ozone symp, Goteborg, 2002

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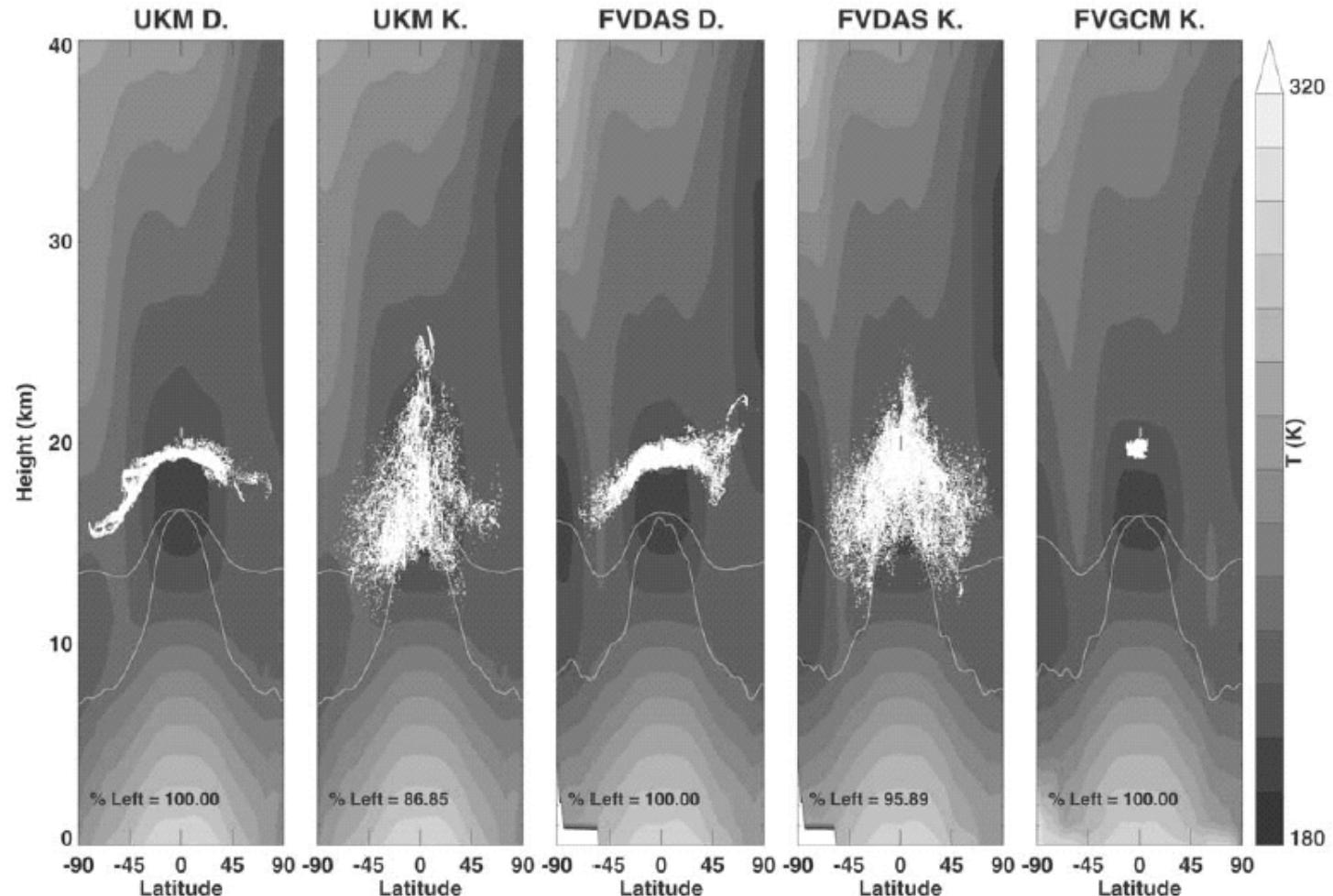
## Ozone flux from the stratosphere (TM3 CTM)

Simulation	Stratospheric influx (Tg/year)
OD 2001	568
OD 2000	611
OD 1996	575
ERA40 1996	1329
ERA40 1993	1155
ERA15 1993	530
ERA40 1991	1168
ERA40 1974	1055

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## Trajectory study: Schoeberl et al, jgr 108, 2003



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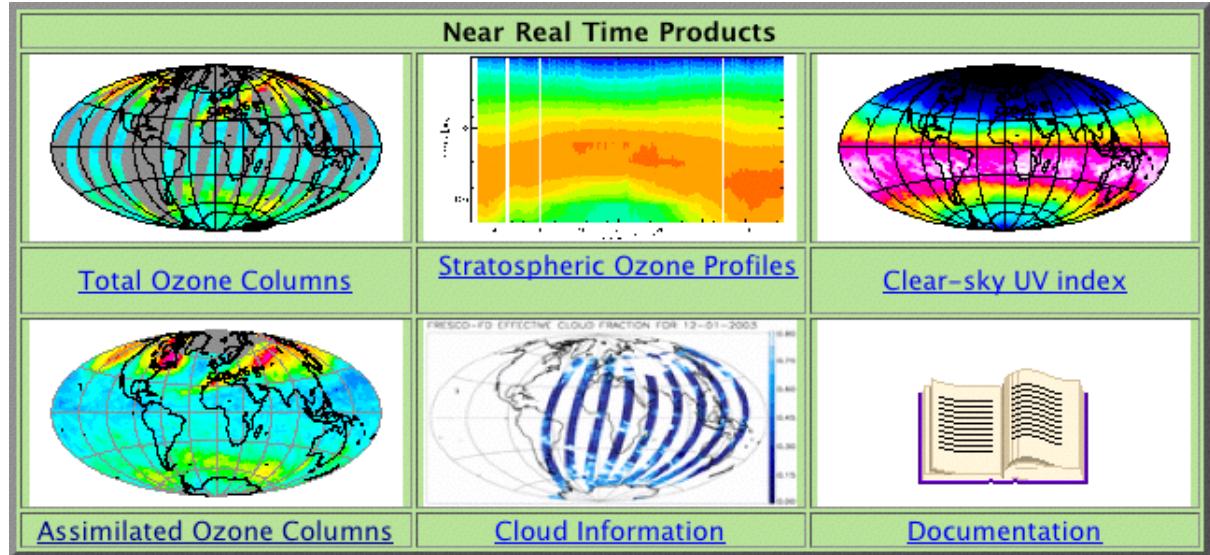
## 6) Ozone forecasts, based on GOME total ozone

[http://www.knmi.nl/gome\\_fd](http://www.knmi.nl/gome_fd)

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## GOFAP project (ESA-DUP)



### Products:

- ⌘ NRT GOME level-2 ozone columns
- ⌘ NRT ozone profiles
- ⌘ Cloud properties (Fresco)
- ⌘ Clear-sky UV index
- ⌘ Assimilated ozone fields (level-4)
- ⌘ Daily ozone and UV forecasts
- ⌘ Data base of assimilated fields, 1999-2002
- ⌘ Ozone hole statistics

[http://www.knmi.nl/gome\\_fd](http://www.knmi.nl/gome_fd)  
(service discontinued 22 June 2003)

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## KNMI Ozone analyses and forecasts

- Transport-chemistry model for ozone
  - driven by ECMWF meteorological analyses and forecasts
- GOME ozone data
  - near-real time
- Data assimilation scheme
  - sub-optimal Kalman filter

--> Daily ozone analyses and 5-day forecasts (9-day from 2002)

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## Anomaly correlation, RMS error

### Anomaly correlation

$$C = \langle (f-c)(a-c) \rangle / \sqrt{\langle (f-c)^2 \rangle} \sqrt{\langle (a-c)^2 \rangle}$$

### Root mean square error

$$E = \sqrt{\langle (f-a)^2 \rangle}$$

( f = forecast, a = analysis, c = climatology )

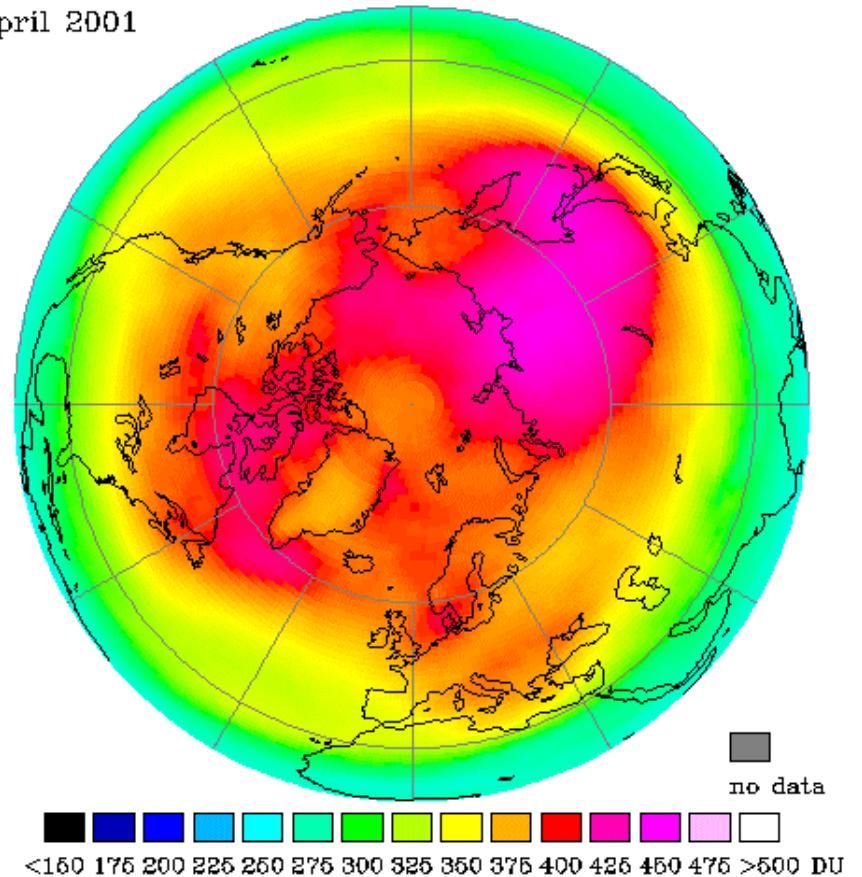
- Anomaly defined w.r.t. climatology "c" :  
Not useful for ozone - artificially high scores
- Alternative: "c" = running monthly mean

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# April 2001 Monthly mean

Assimilated GOME total ozone, monthly mean  
April 2001

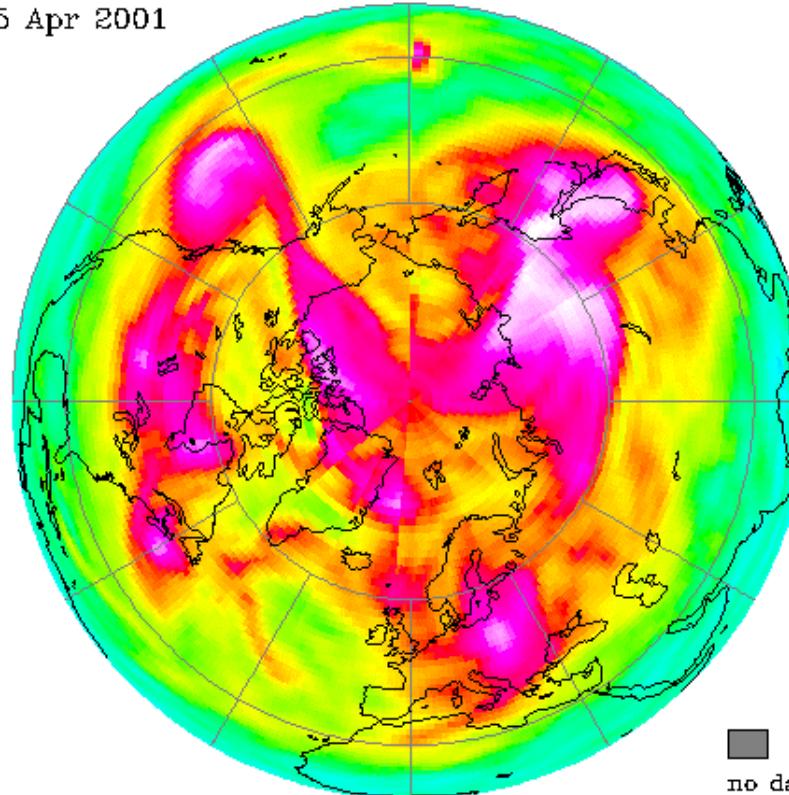


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# Analysis 15 April 2001

Assimilated GOME total ozone, 12h local time  
15 Apr 2001

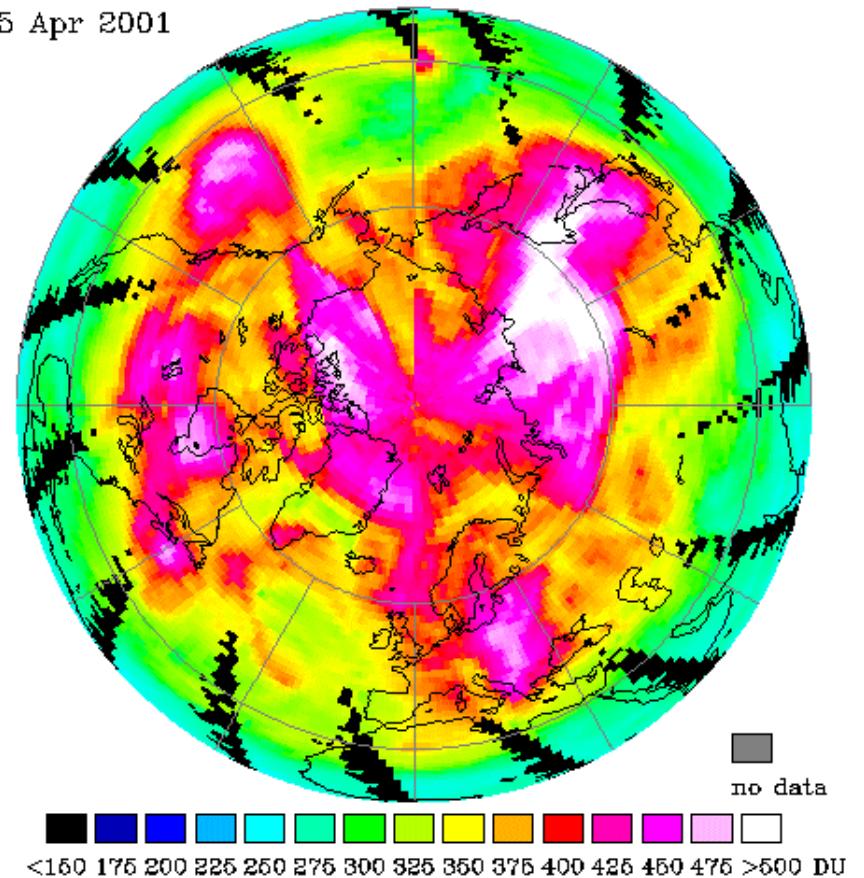


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# TOMS 15 April 2001

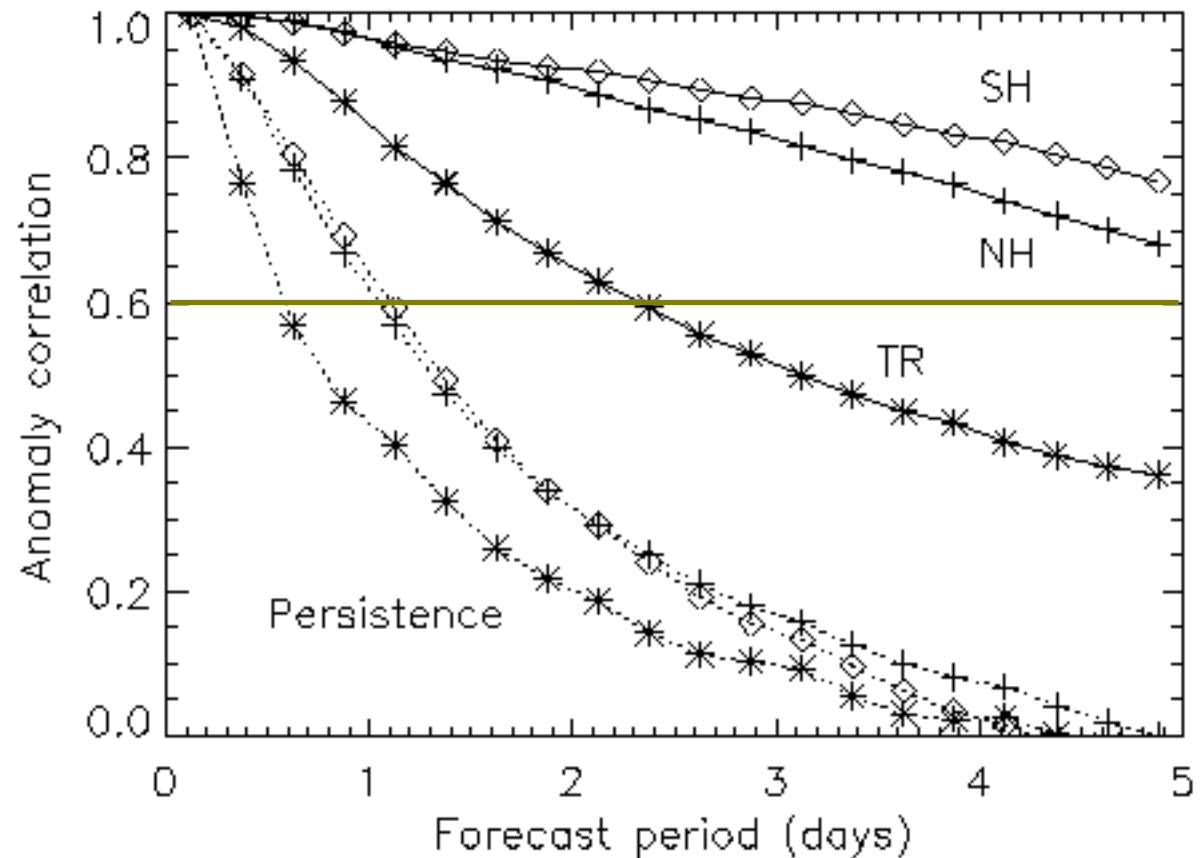
NASA Earth Probe TOMS  
15 Apr 2001



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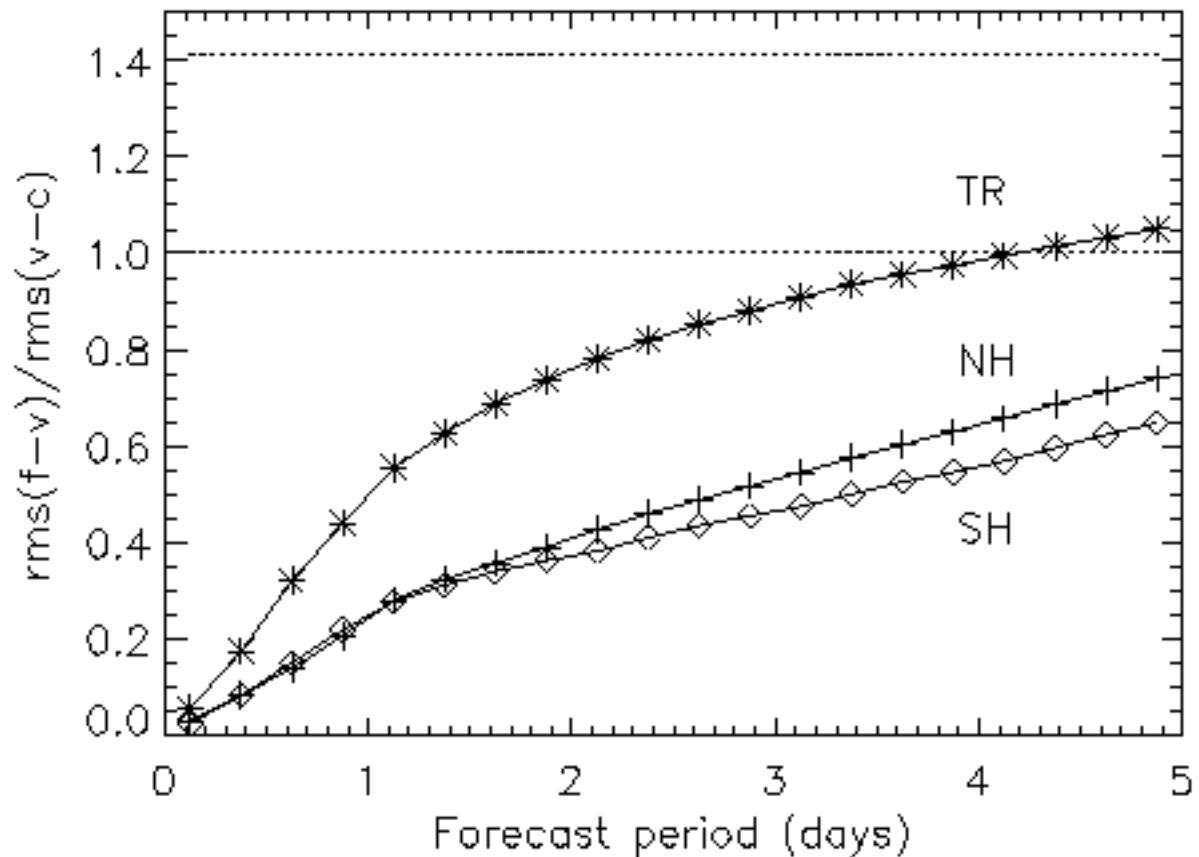
## Anomaly correlation



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## RMS error



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## Tropics

In tropics anomaly forecast score lower than in extratropics

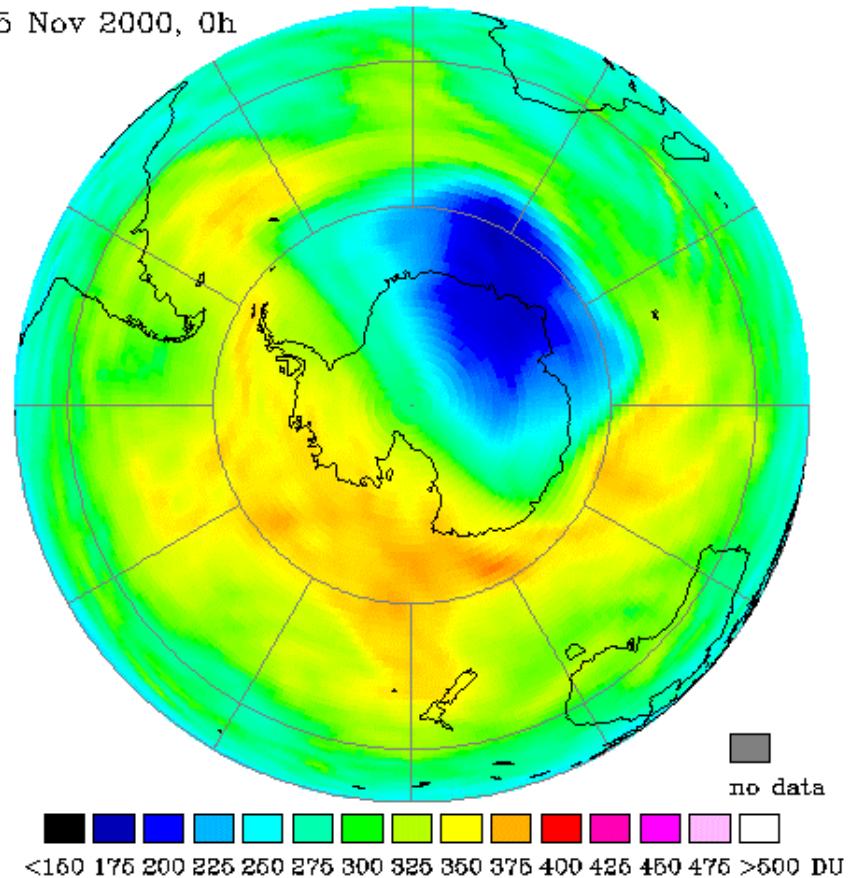
- > Anomaly small (2-3% compared to 5-10%)
- > More sensitive to observation noise, retrieval errors
- > Anomaly mainly tropospheric
  - No tropospheric ozone chemistry in model

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## Breakup 2000 ozone hole

15 November 2000  
analysis  
based on GOME  
ozone observations

Analysis  
15 Nov 2000, 0h



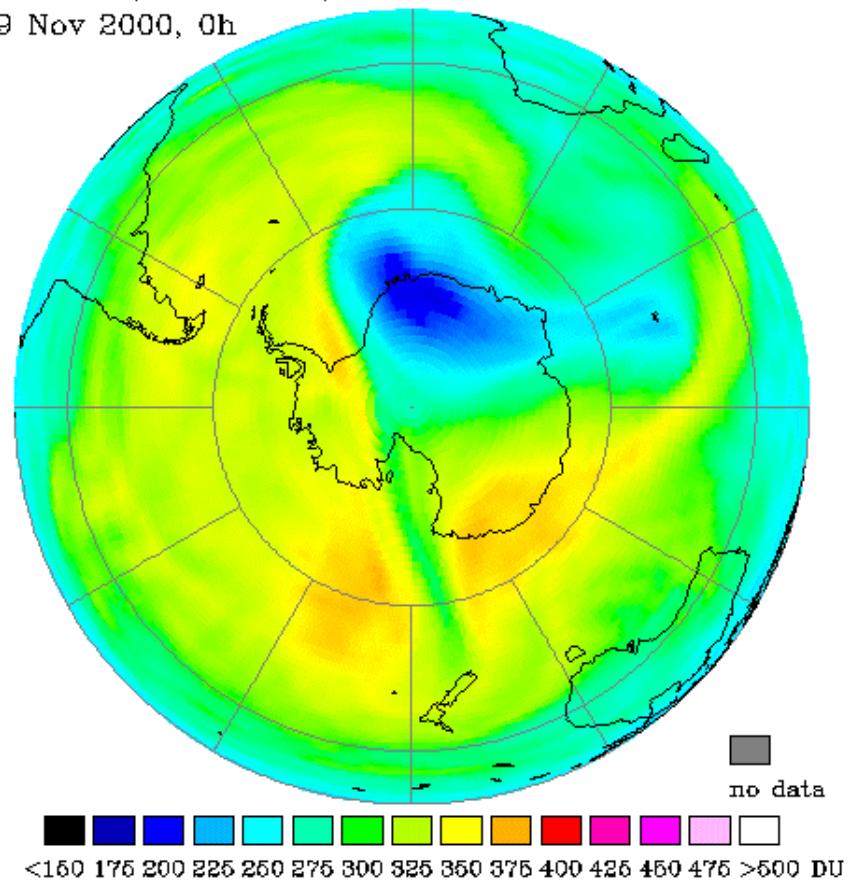
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## Breakup 2000 ozone hole

19 November 2000  
4-day forecast

Forecast (15 Nov + 4)  
19 Nov 2000, 0h

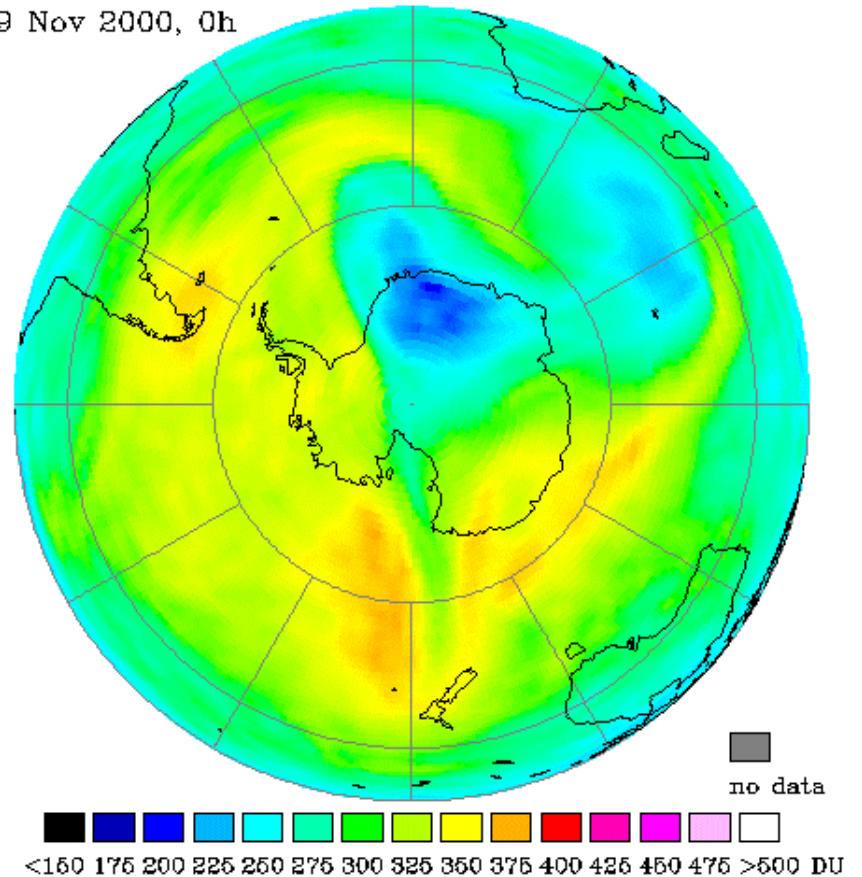


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## Breakup 2000 ozone hole

19 November 2000  
analysis

Analysis  
19 Nov 2000, 0h



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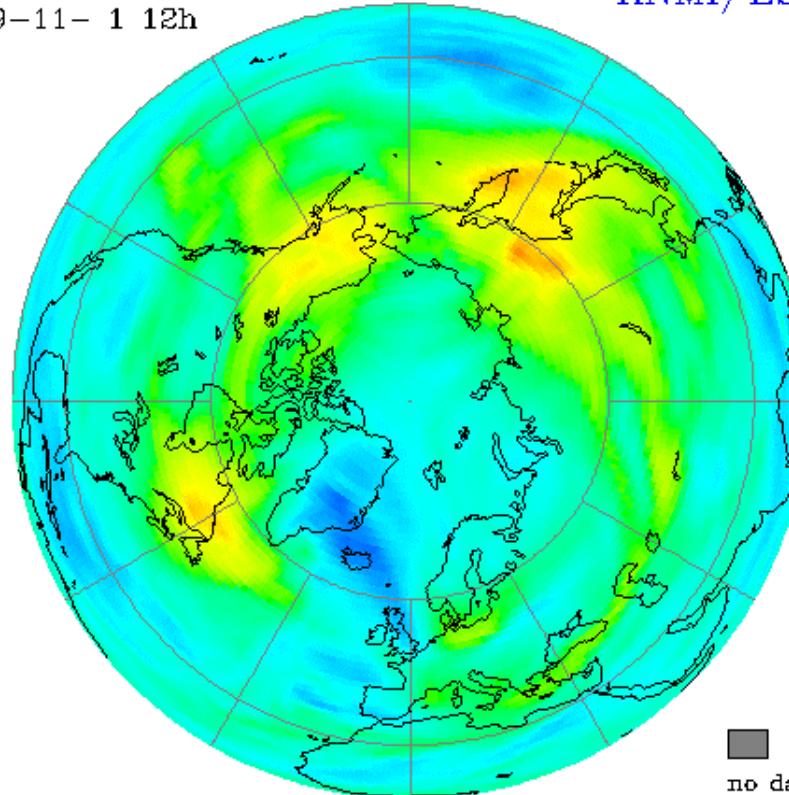


## Low ozone episode

5-day forecast  
9 November 2001

Assimilated GOME total ozone  
9-11- 1 12h

KNMI/ESA



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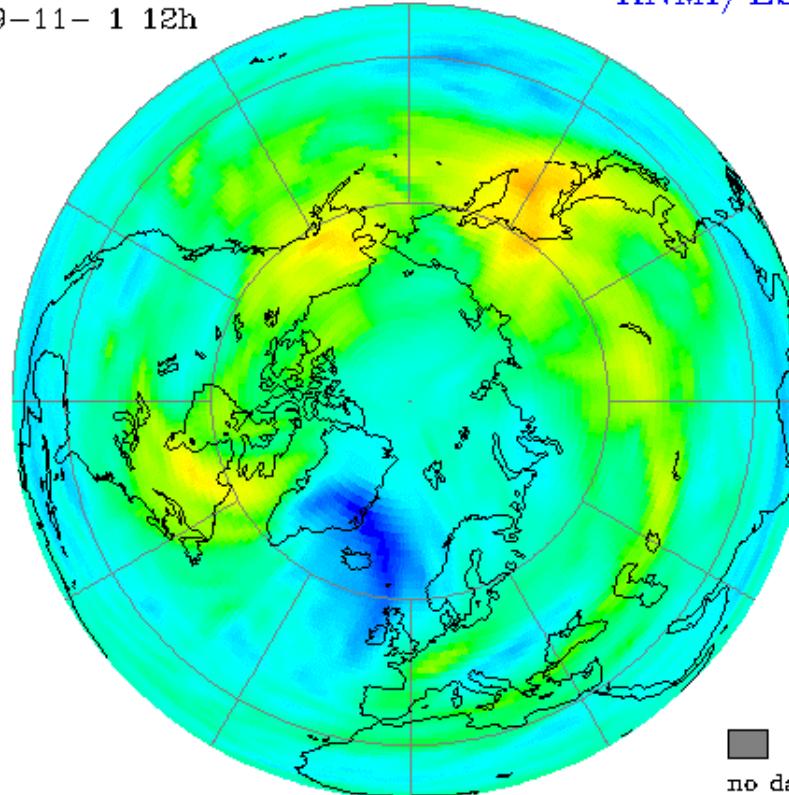
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## Low ozone episode

3-day forecast  
9 November 2001

Assimilated GOME total ozone  
9-11- 1 12h

KNMI/ESA



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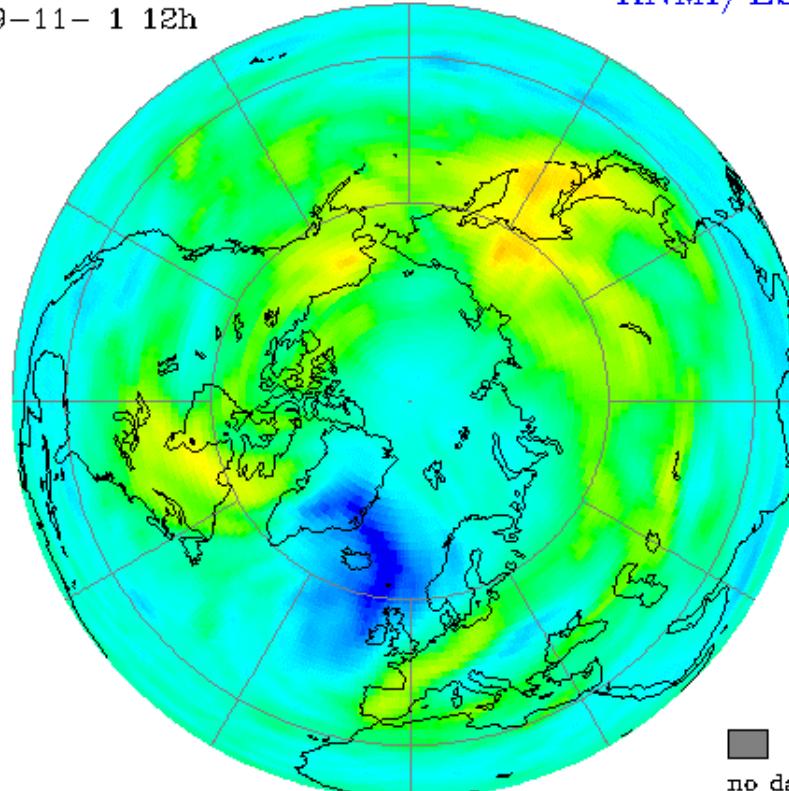
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# Low ozone episode

analysis  
9 November 2001

Assimilated GOME total ozone  
9-11- 1 12h

KNMI/ESA

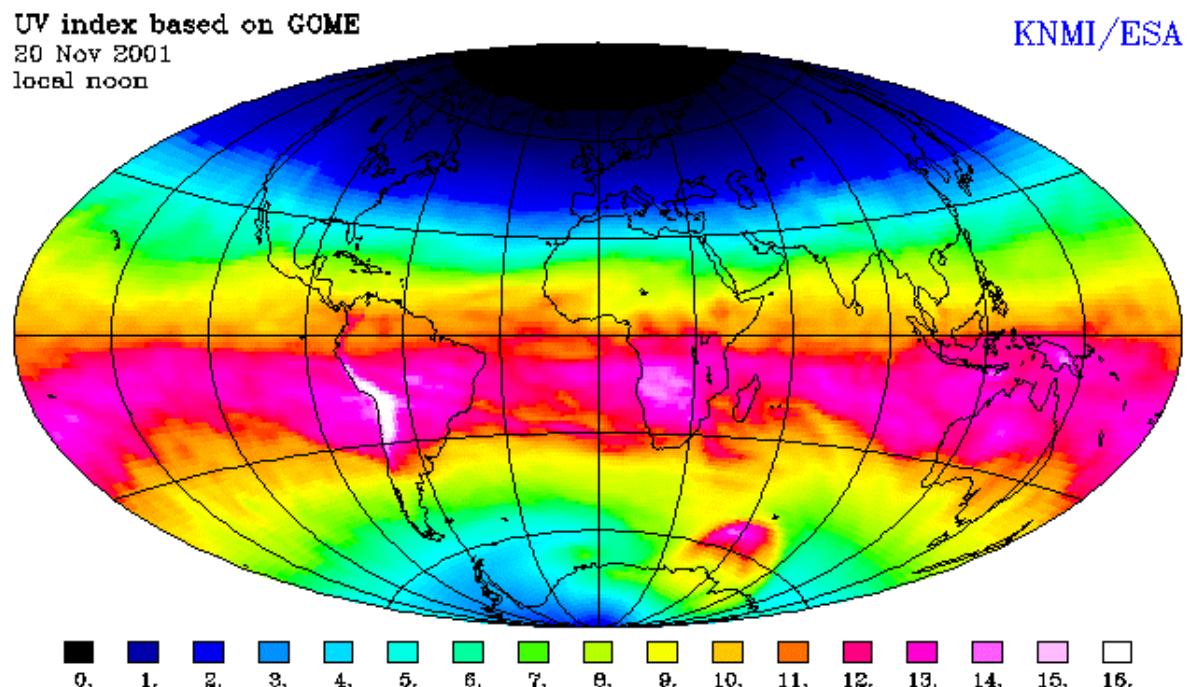


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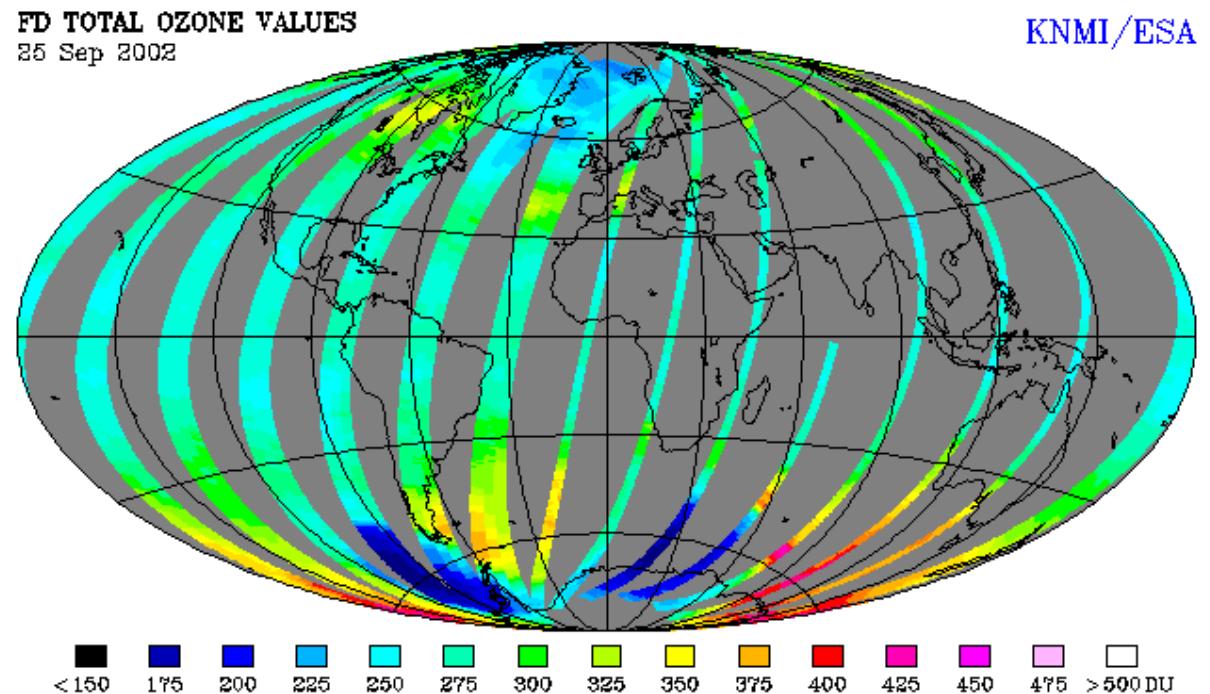
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## UV forecast

20 November 2001  
(5-day forecast)



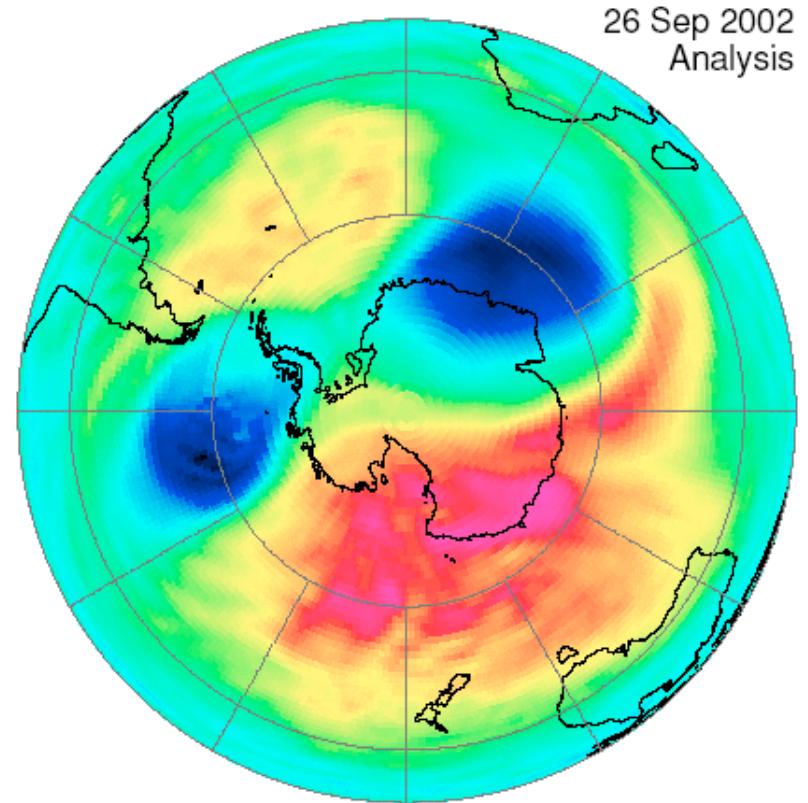
## GOME measurements at 25 September 2002



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## Ozone hole breakup, 2002

26 September 2002  
Analysis based on GOME

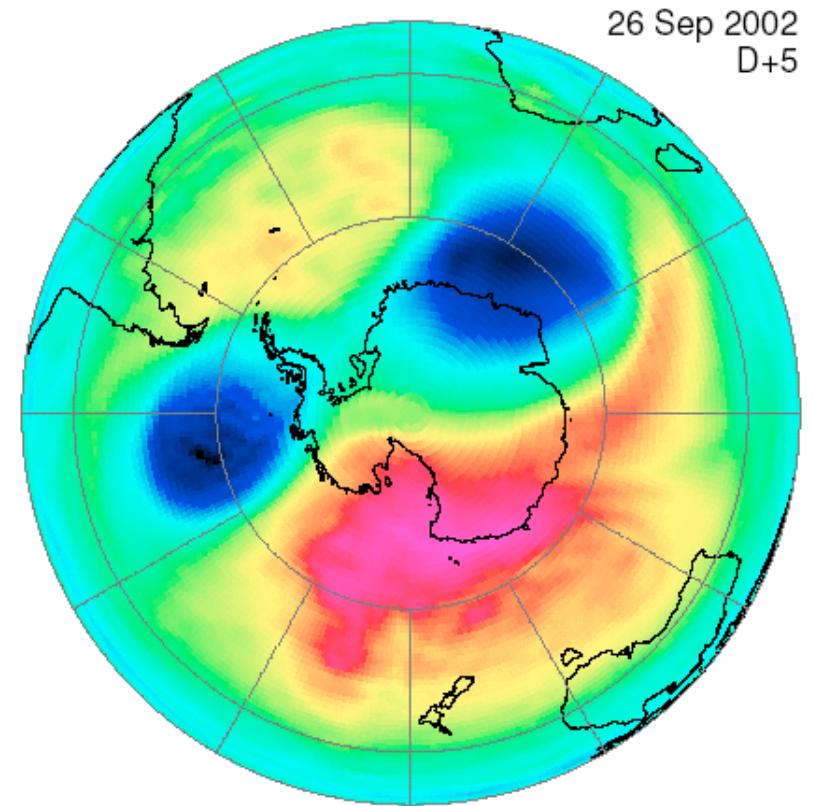


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## Ozone hole breakup, 2002

26 September 2002  
5-day forecast

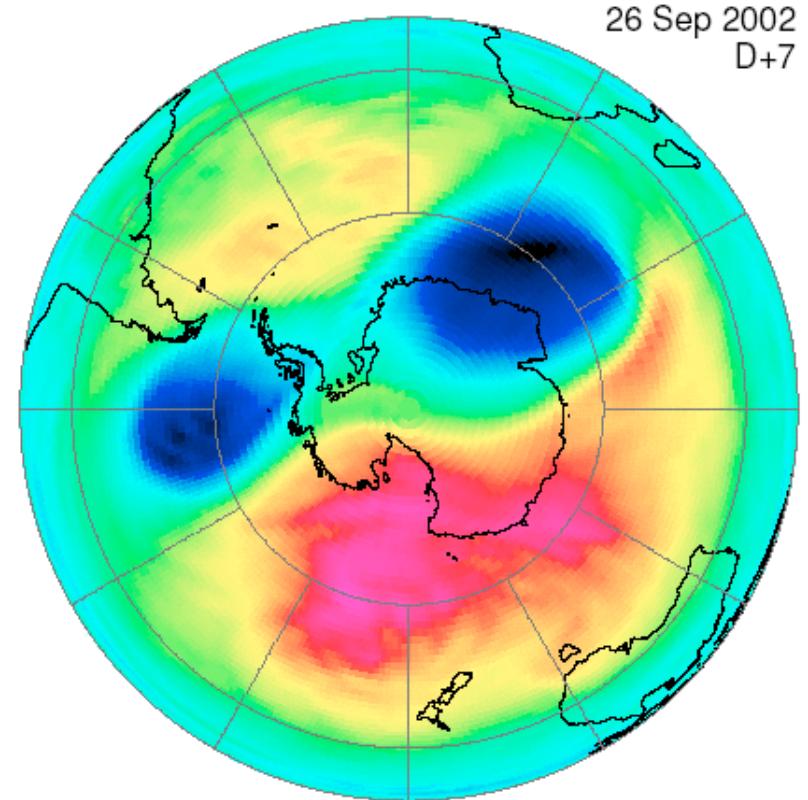


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## Ozone hole breakup, 2002

26 September 2002  
7-day forecast

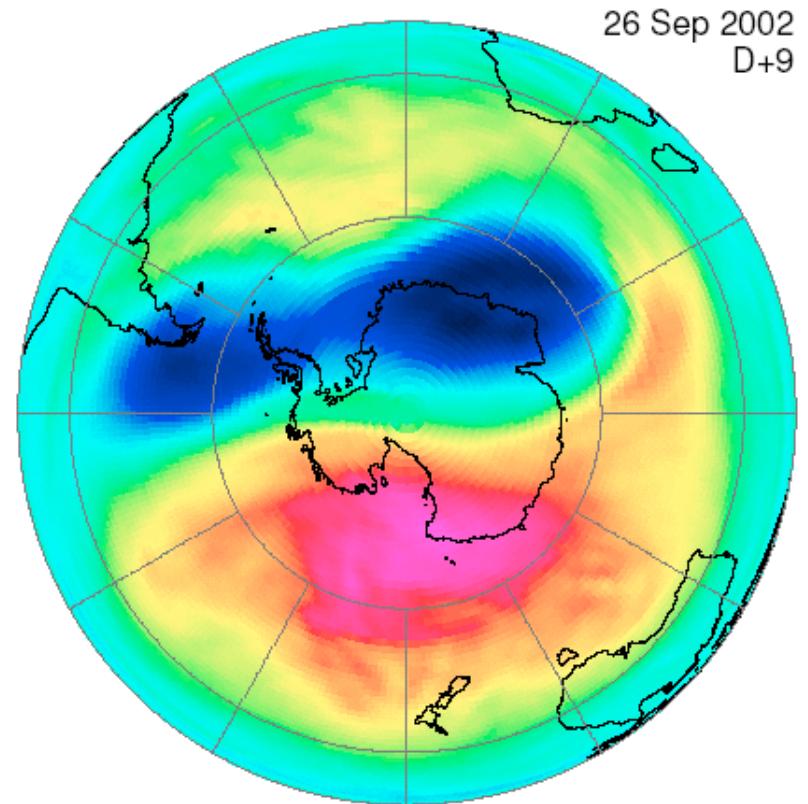


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## Ozone hole breakup, 2002

26 September 2002  
9-day forecast



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## Summary (1)

### Satellite instruments measuring ozone

- GOME, Sciamachy, OMI, GOME-2 will play important role to continue the TOMS ozone record

### Total ozone retrieval

- Total ozone products of GOME can be improved
- New KNMI total ozone algorithm:  
applied to GOME, Sciamachy, OMI

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## Summary (2)

### Ozone assimilation

- CTM driven by ECMWF winds describes features of stratospheric ozone in fair detail
- (O-F) total ozone typically 3-4 %
- Noise level GOME total ozone small: < 2 %

### Age of air, strat-trop exchange

- Assimilation models: too strong mixing tropics-extratropics (M. Schoeberl)
- ERA-40 compared to OD:  
small age of air, large STE

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## Summary (3)

### Ozone forecasting

- Meaningful forecast up to one week in extratropics
- Tropics: forecast up to 2 days  
(small anomaly, measurement noise, no tropospheric chemistry)
- Examples
  - \* Breakup 2002 ozone hole
  - \* Ozone "mini-holes" over Europe

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