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Analysing the impact of $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$ simulations on atmospheric composition

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Description of mCB05v1.1

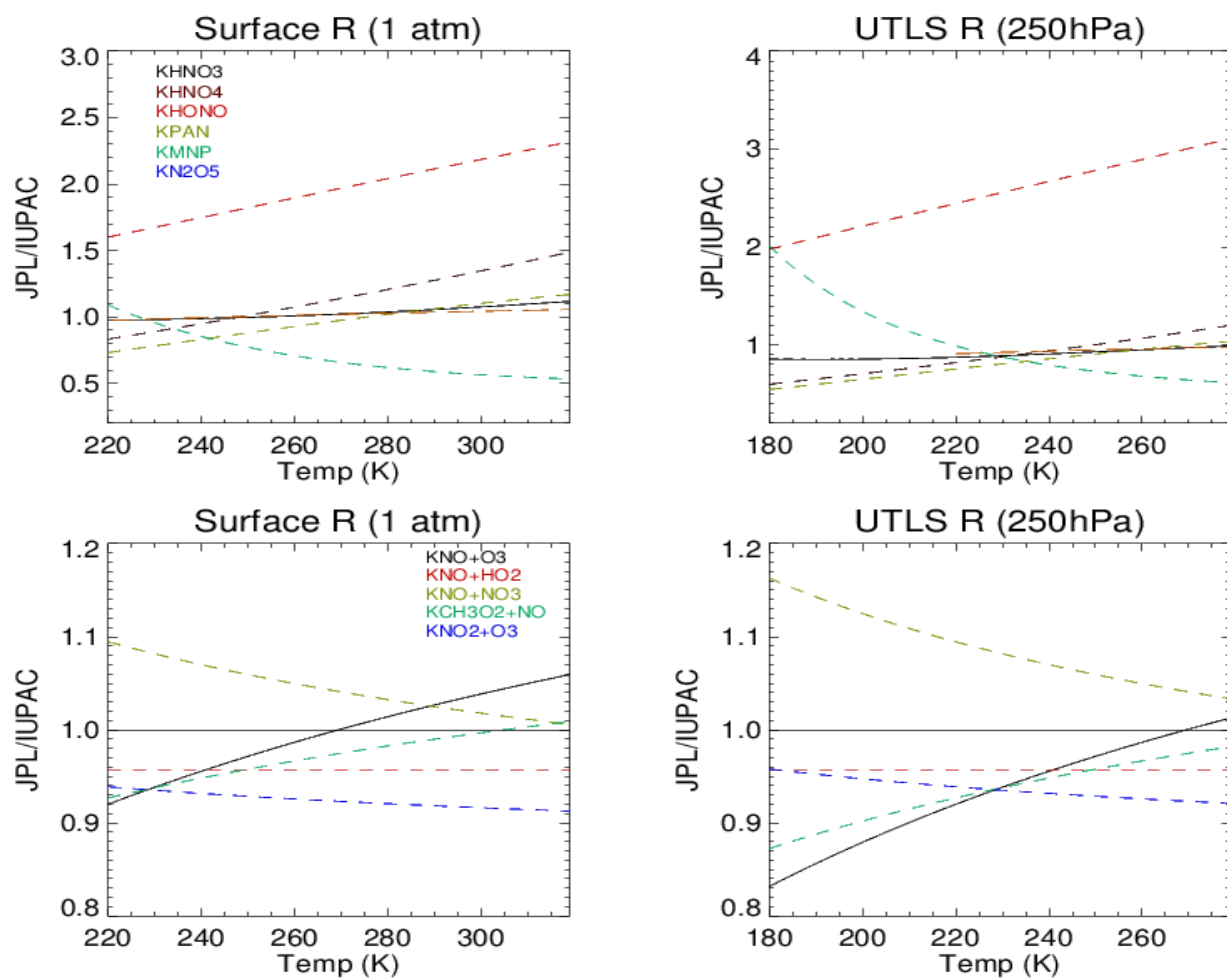
- Rate parameters all homogenized into IUPAC values with new formulation for 3 body reactions
- New N-species added : HONO, CH₃O₂NO₂
- NH₃ chemistry updates following Hauglestone et al. (2014)
- Additional peroxy-radical reactions for C3 organics
- Reformulation of CH₃O₂ + HO₂ term (branching ratio added), PAN + hν
- NO₃/HO₂ conversion on aerosols

Updates in TM5-MP

- Nudging of CO and HNO₃ in the Stratosphere using ODIN constraints
- Cloud droplet size now described using Martin et al. (1994)
- Full Evans and Jacob (2005) parameterization (T, RH)
- Latitudinal gradient in [H₂] from NOAA surface measurements (OH + H₂)

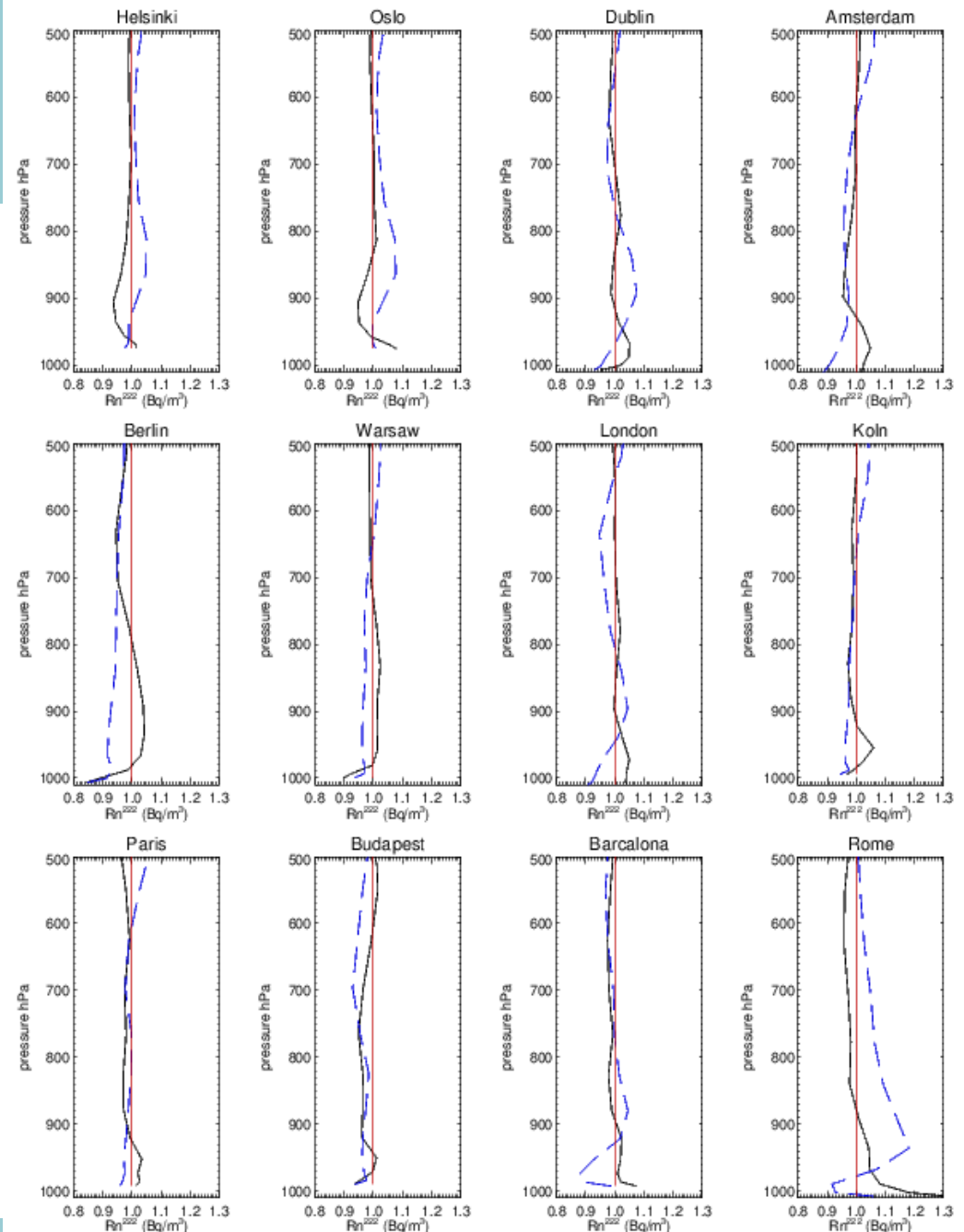


Differences in rate parameters



Impact on convection

- Profiles of ^{222}Rn compared using averages of rebinned $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$ data.
- Ratios of mean $1^\circ \times 1^\circ / 3^\circ \times 2^\circ$ to remove the influence of variable emission fluxes due to resolution.
- Largest differences below 700hPa
- Some locations exhibit significant differences (Oslo) and some quite similar (Paris).

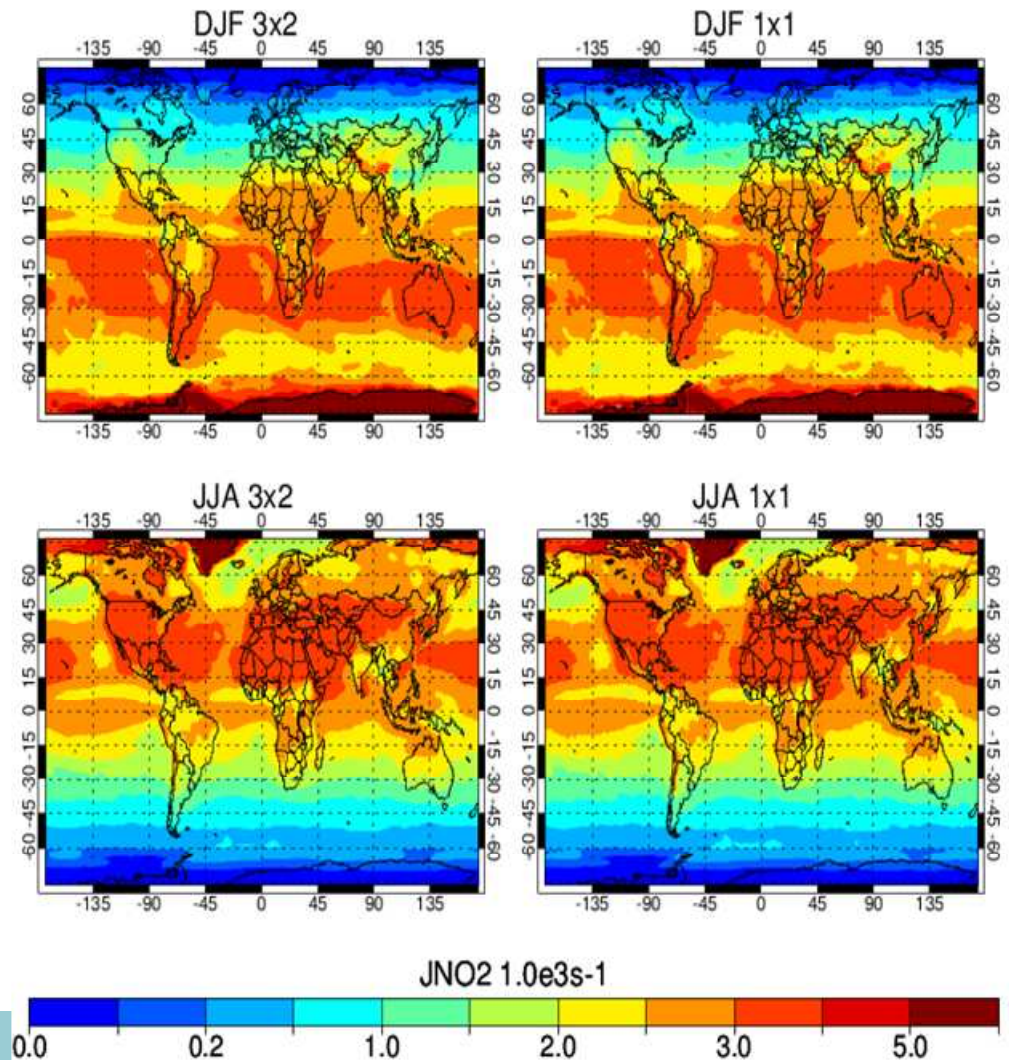
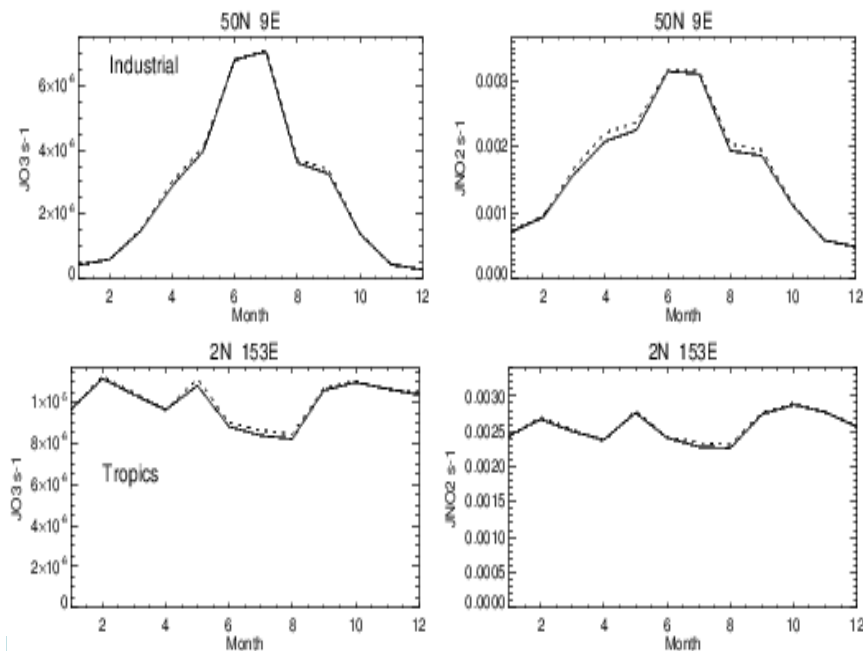


Jan (black), July (blue)



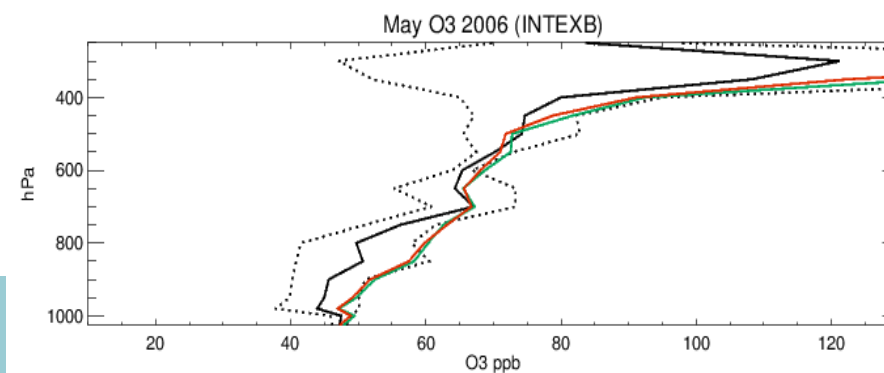
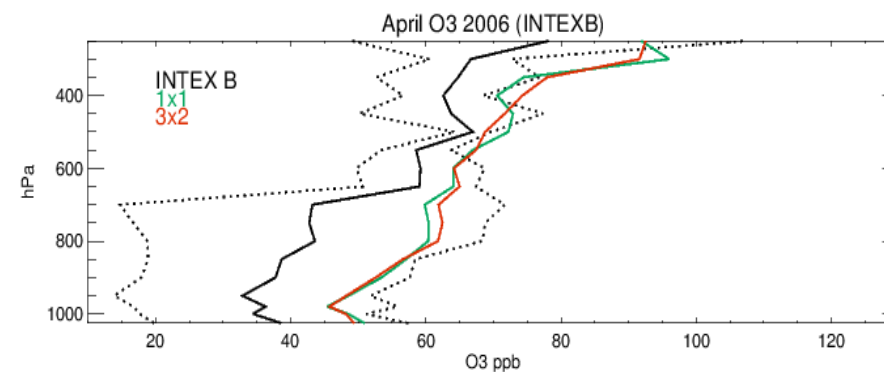
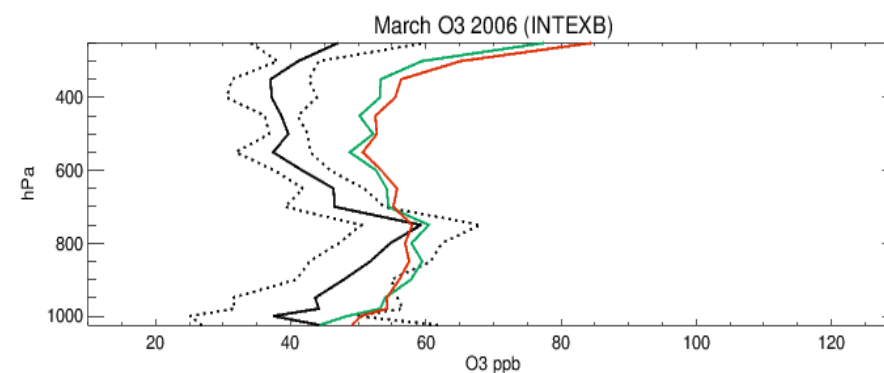
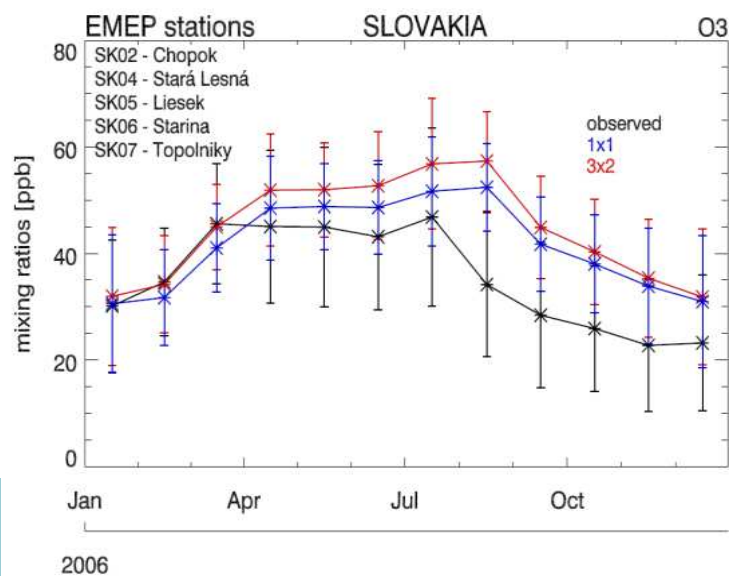
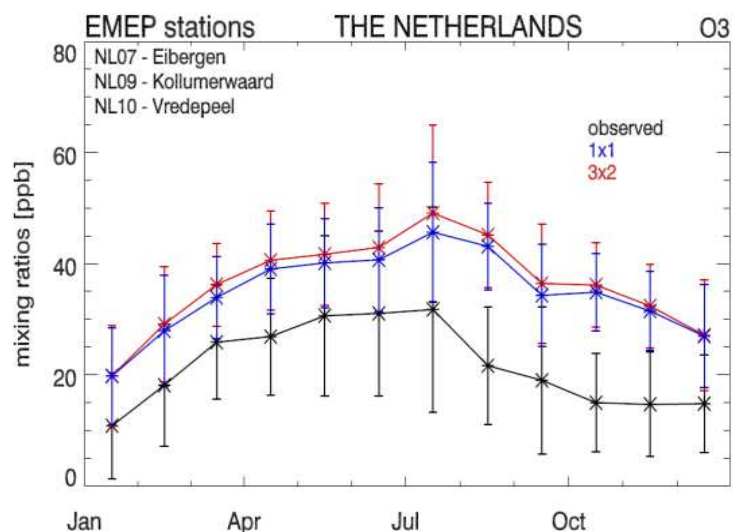
Minimal Impact on J values

- Differences in monthly mean J values in the order of a few %
- JCH2Oa = +0.9%
JCH2Ob = +1.0%
JMEPE = +1.0%





Impact on tropospheric ozone





Budget analysis (Trop O₃) % change

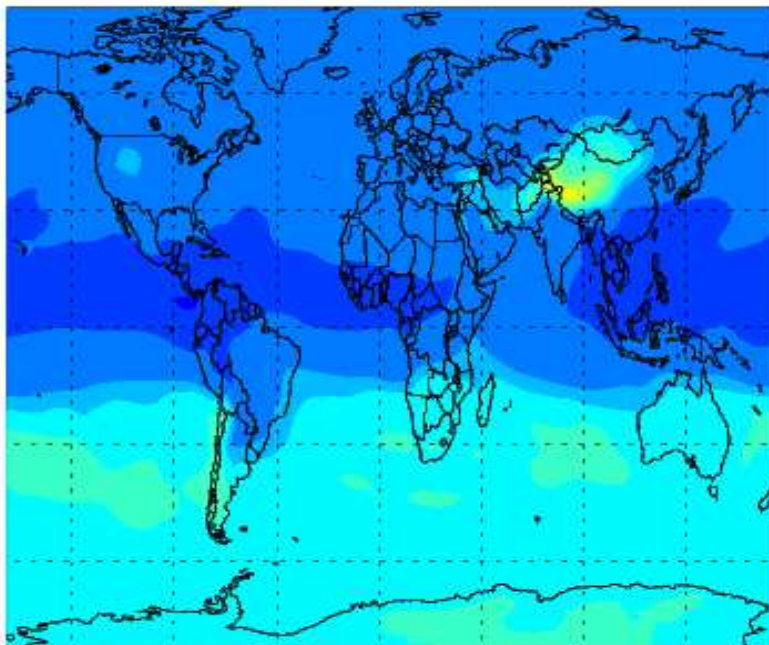
	Global	SH	Tropics	NH
Net STE	950 (43.5)			
Trop Prod.	5005 (11.1)	356 (9.7)	3386 (16.2)	1263 (-2.3)
Trop Dest.	5014 (3.0)	418 (2.7)	3711 (4.1)	885 (-1.6)
Trop Burden	445 (-14.5)	67 (7.3)	161 (26.5)	217 (-51.7)
O3S Trop Burd.	166 (-50.0)	16 (-12.5)	18 (-54.8)	131 (-82.2)
Deposition	941 (-0.9)	111 (-0.7)	461 (-0.1)	370 (-1.9)

- **Large hemispheric differences in net production term between high and low NO_x emission scenarios**
- **Significant increase in titration component and low NO_x recycling (~5-10%)**
- **Large STE component at 1° x 1° : ~2* 1° x 1° literature value**
- **Minimal changes in dry deposition flux indicating changes are throughout the column**

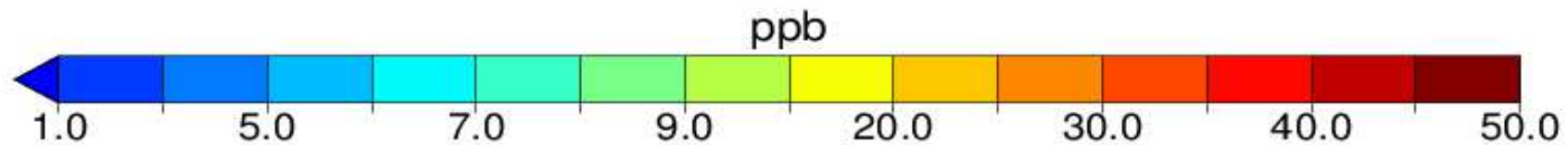
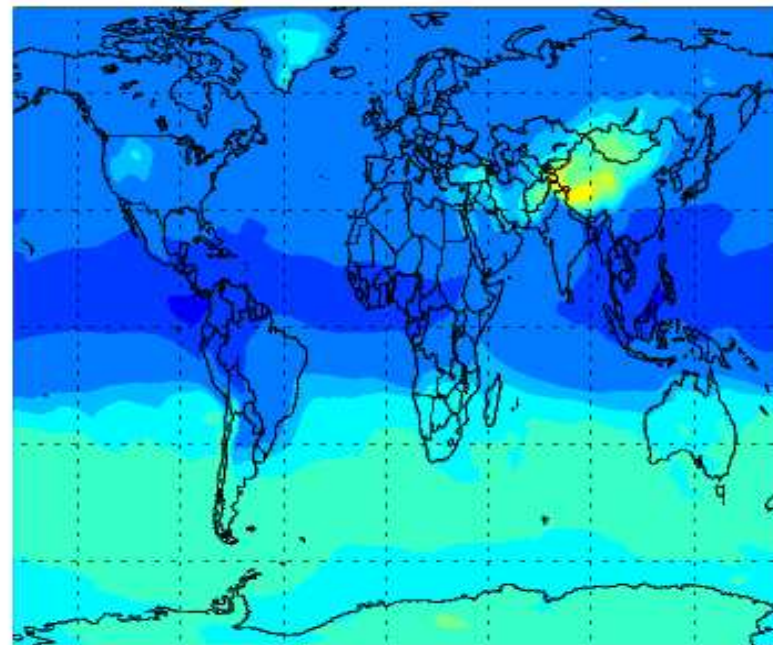


Stratospheric O₃ : Down-welling component

JJA BL O3S

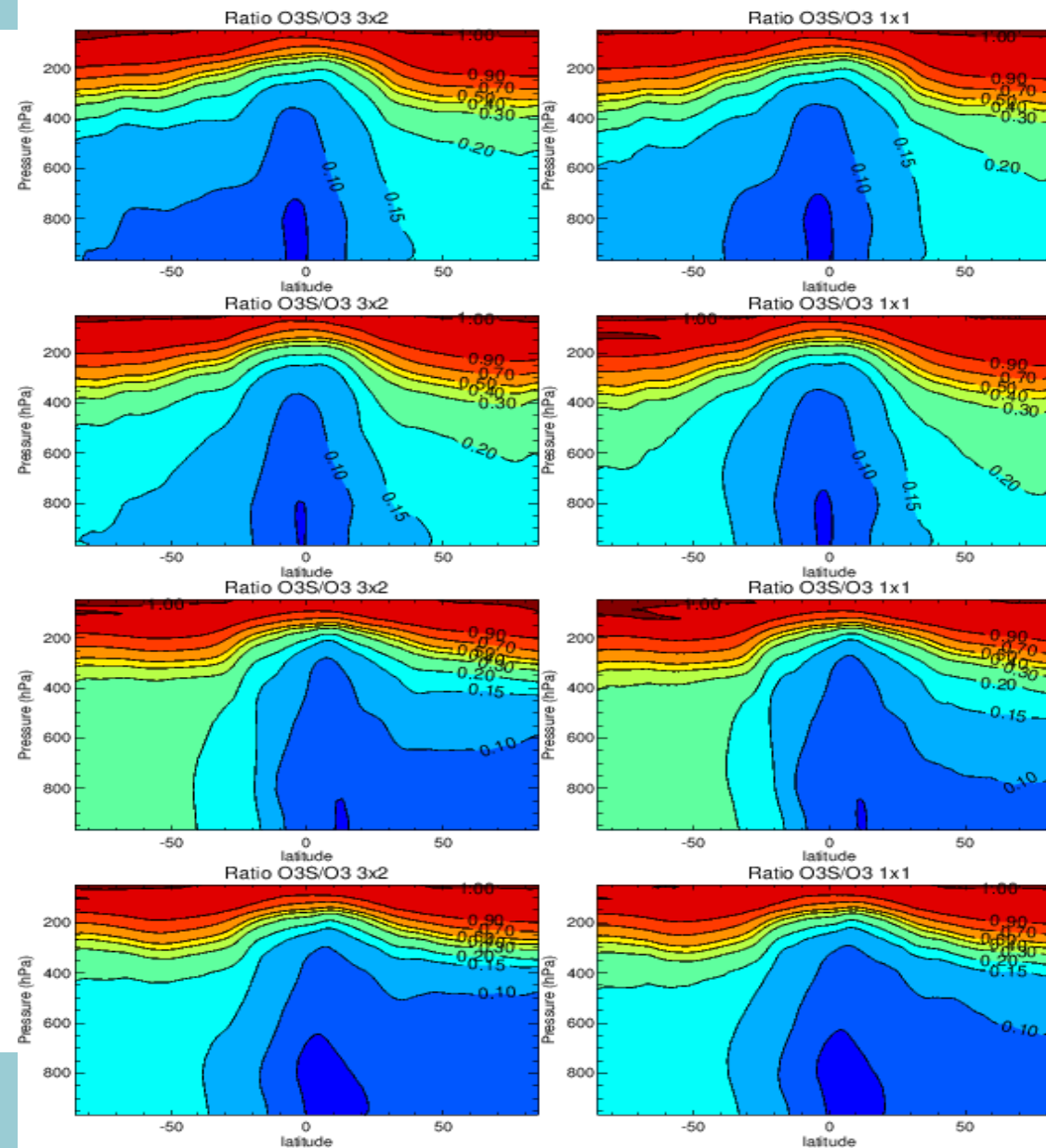


JJA BL O3S 1 x 1



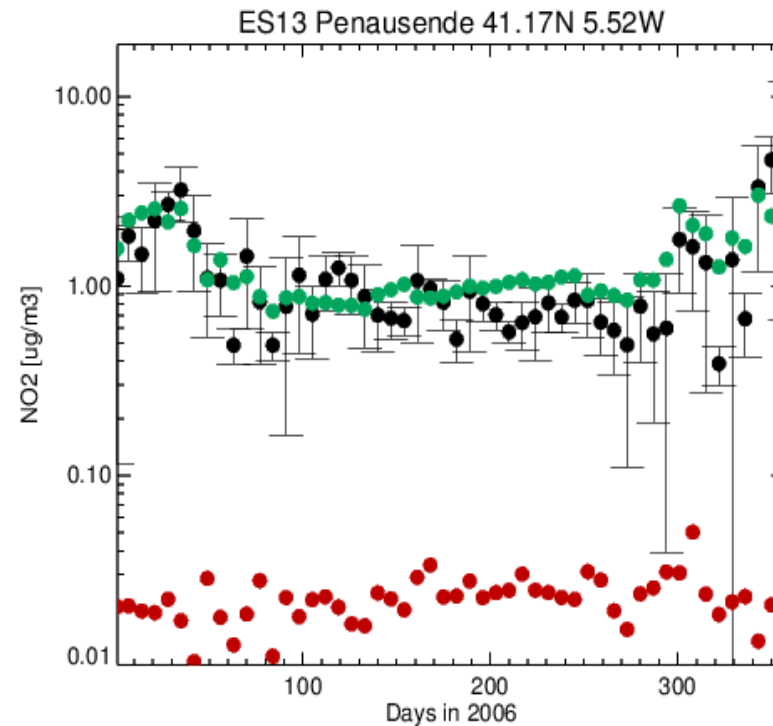
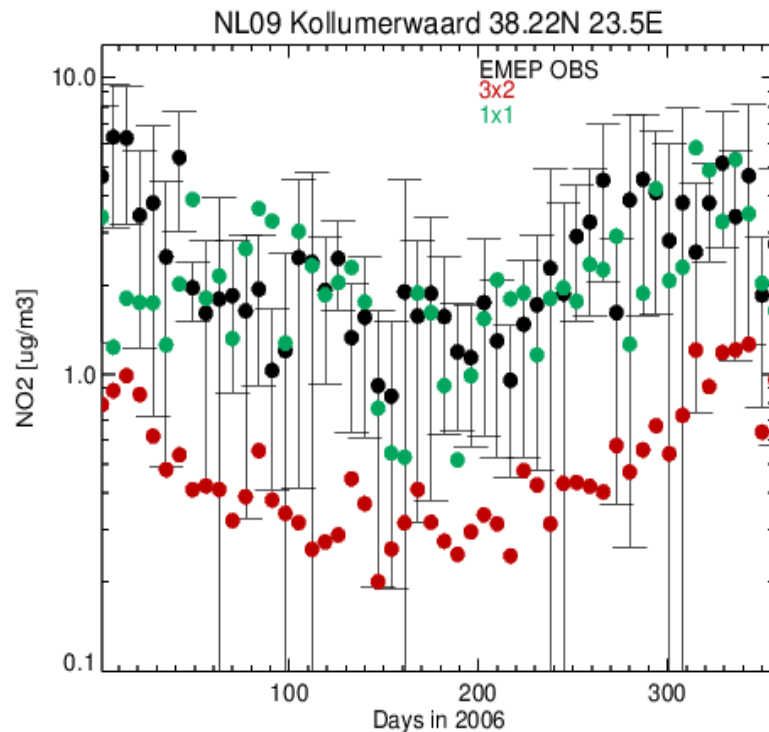


O_3S/O_3





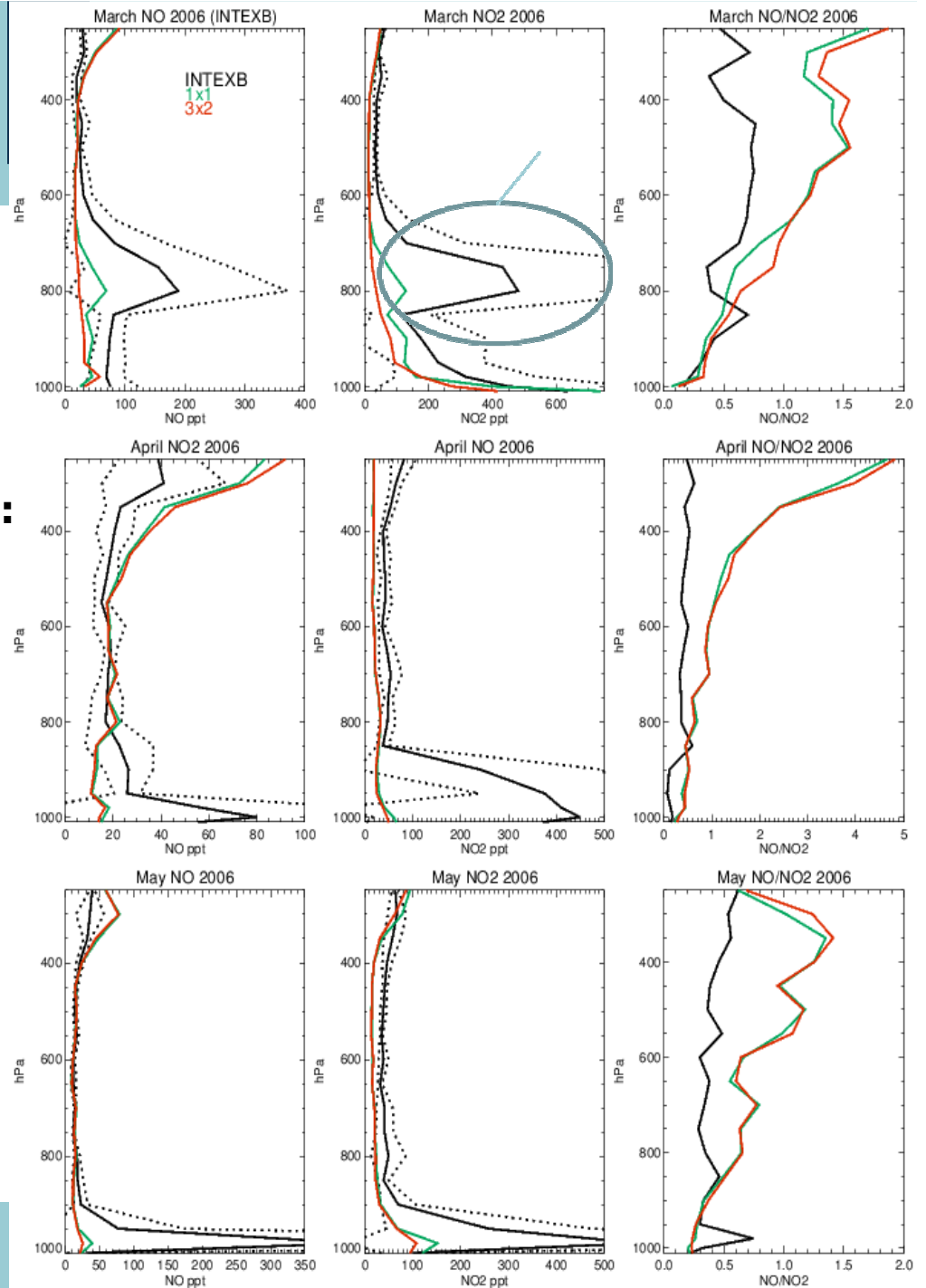
Changes in surface $[\text{NO}_2]$: weekly



- The most dramatic increases occur due to the improvement in the temporal distribution of the emission fluxes rather than chemistry.
- Biases across all EMEP sites (33) : $\sim 33\%$ improve, $\sim 25\%$ degrade with remainder exhibiting no significant changes in the bias.

NO and NO₂ (INTEX-B)

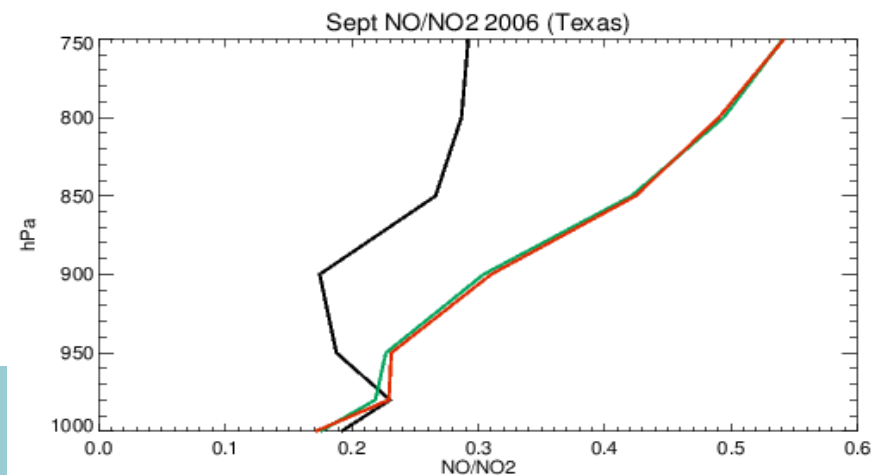
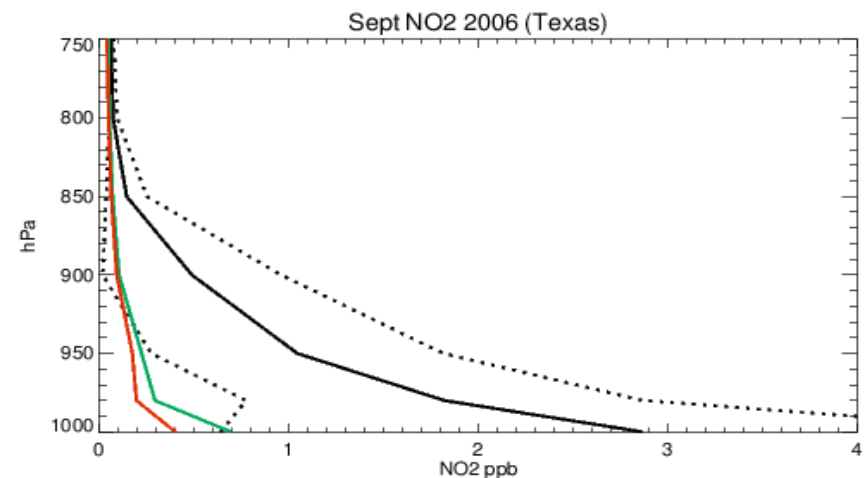
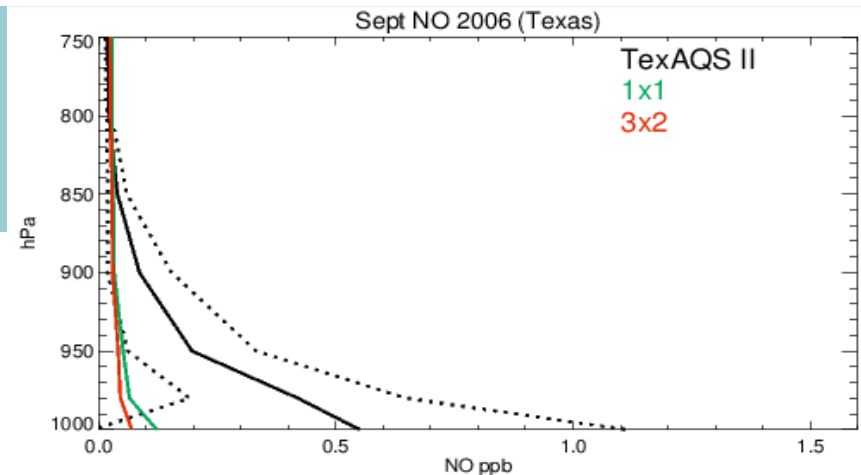
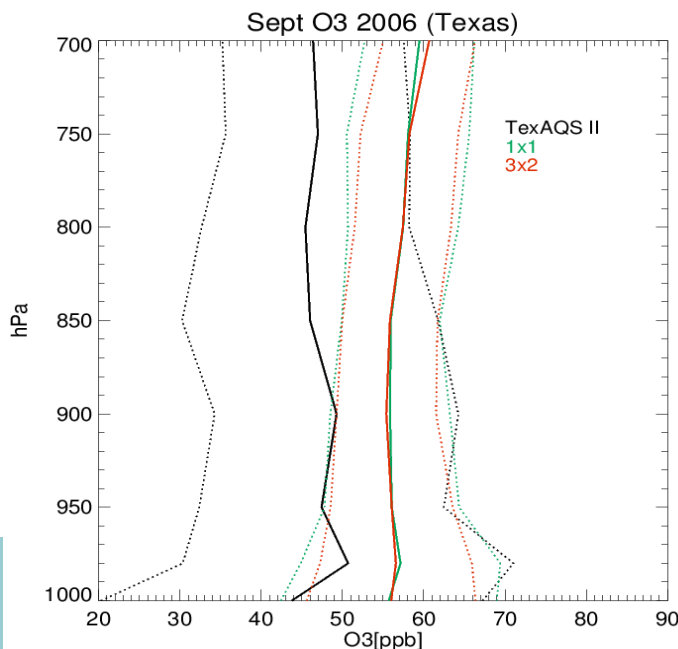
- **INTEX-B : March (Gulf of Mexico), April (Equatorial Pacific) May (Alaska)**
- **Low bias in both NO and NO₂ in BL: Missing oceanic emissions ? Take off/Landing contributions?**
- **FT mixing ratios captured well during April and May**
- **NO/NO₂ ratio realistic in BL**
- **NO/NO₂ ratio too high in UTLS across all months.**





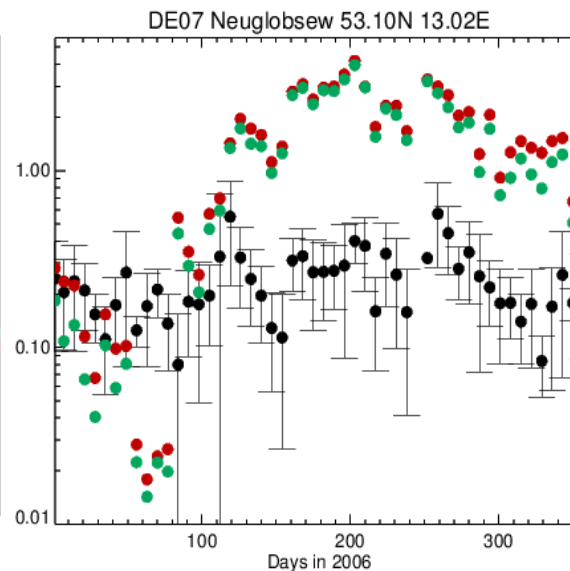
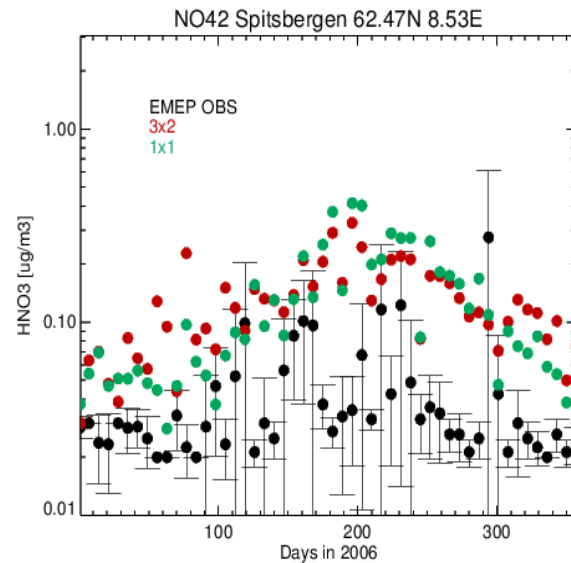
NO and NO₂ (TEXAQSI)

- Low bias in both NO and NO₂ : underestimation in anthropogenic NO_x component
- Moderate reductions in the bias in the boundary layer at 1° x 1°
- Significant overestimations in the NO/NO₂ ratio in the lower atmosphere
- Peroxy-radical cycling too low?





Surface HNO_3 (Europe) ; Weekly

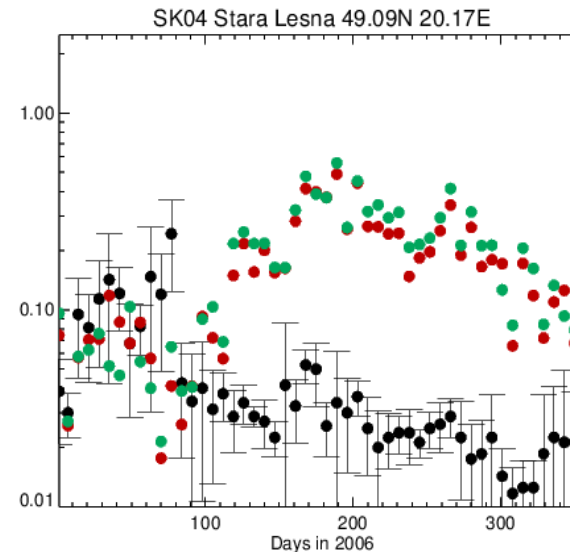
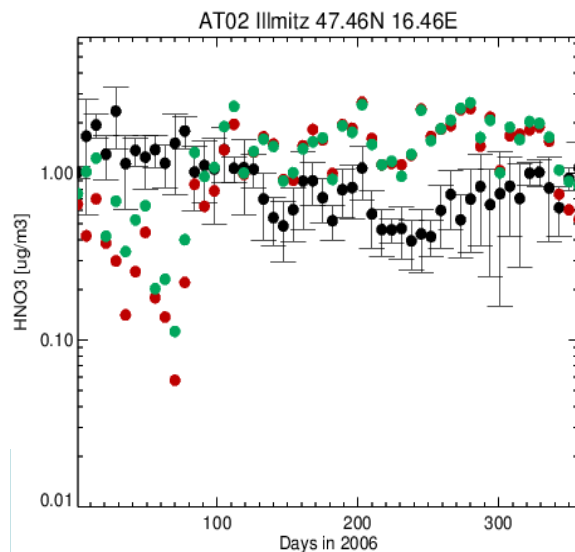


- Measurements show no seasonal cycle in $[\text{HNO}_3]$

- TM5-MP exhibits strong seasonal cycle (low spring)

- Similar $[\text{HNO}_3]$ at $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$ for many weeks in polluted regions.

- High bias during boreal summertime across sites.



- No significant improvement at $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$

- EQSAM: How good is the conversion to NH_4NO_3

HNO_3 and PAN profiles

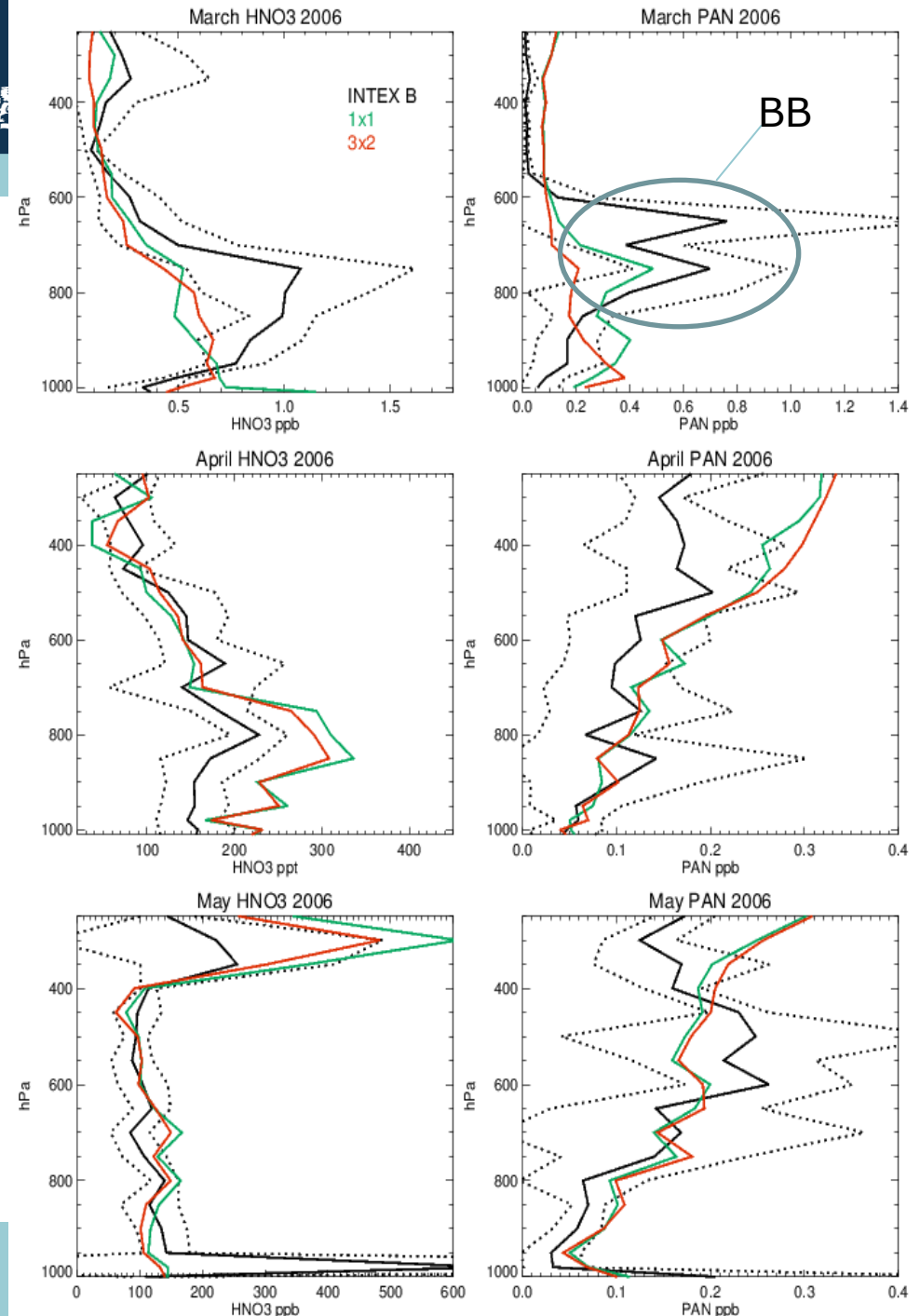
Vertical gradients captured rather well for both species.

HNO_3

- Higher Burden at 1x1 by $\sim 2\%$
- BL : Typically large biases for HNO_3
- FT/UTLS : TM5-MP captures well

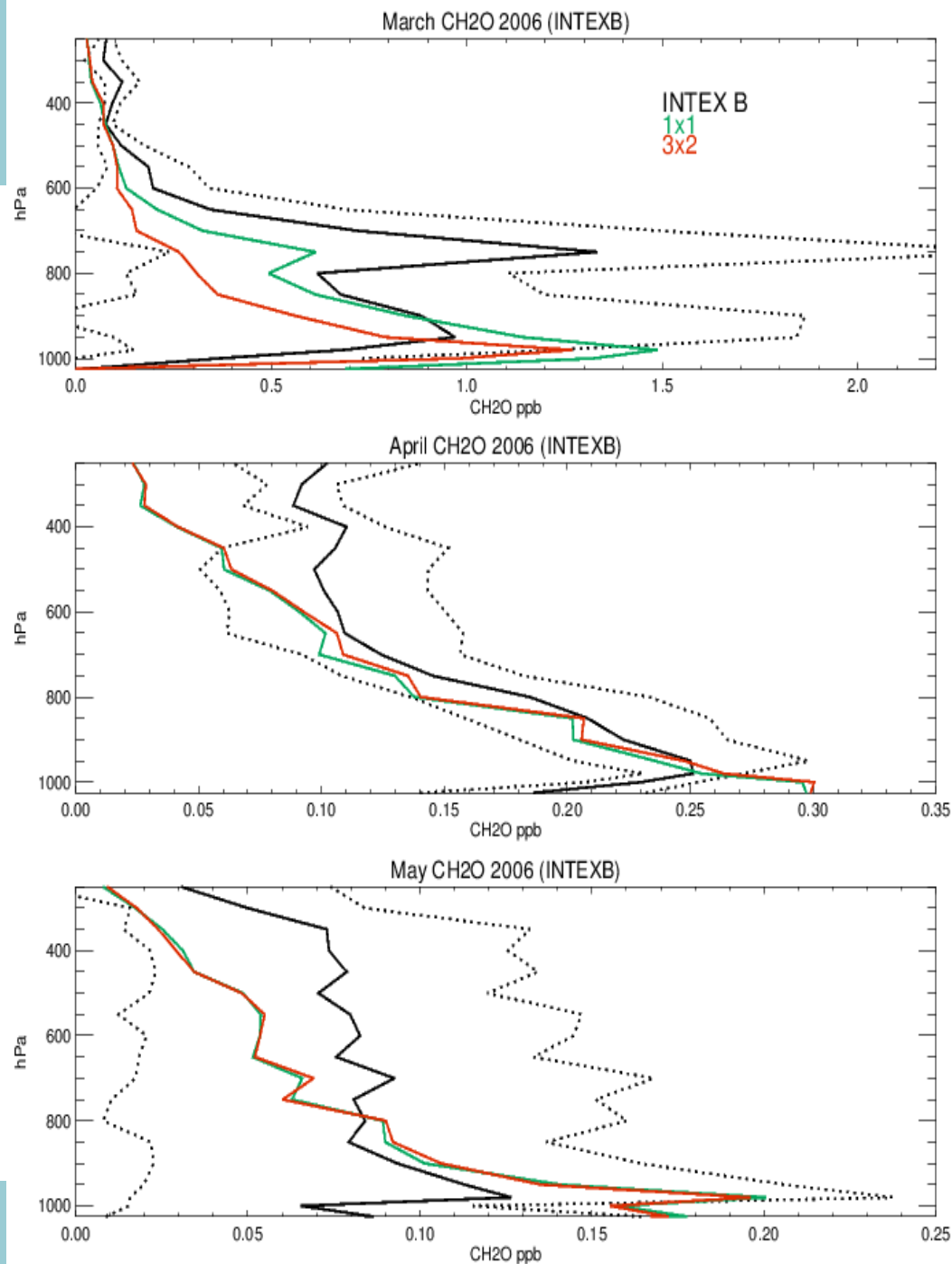
PAN

- Indicates transport of polluted air captured better
- Minimal differences due to resolution



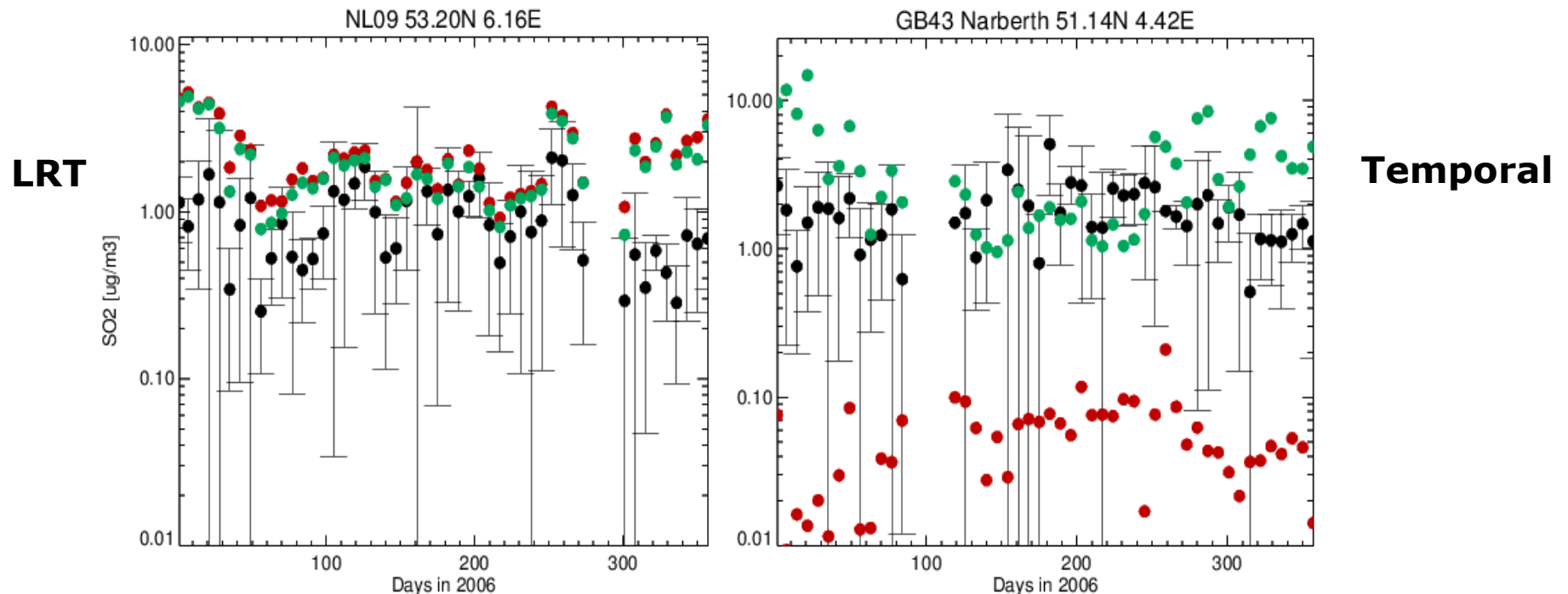
CH₂O profiles

- Previous intercomparisons have show global CTMS generally underpredict the CH₂O column in the SH and tropics (e.g. Zeng et al., 2015)
- Comparisons show improvements at 1 x 1 are minimal in pristine locations.
- Gradients are typically too steep
- Minimal differences due to resolution





Surface [SO₂] (Europe) : Weekly

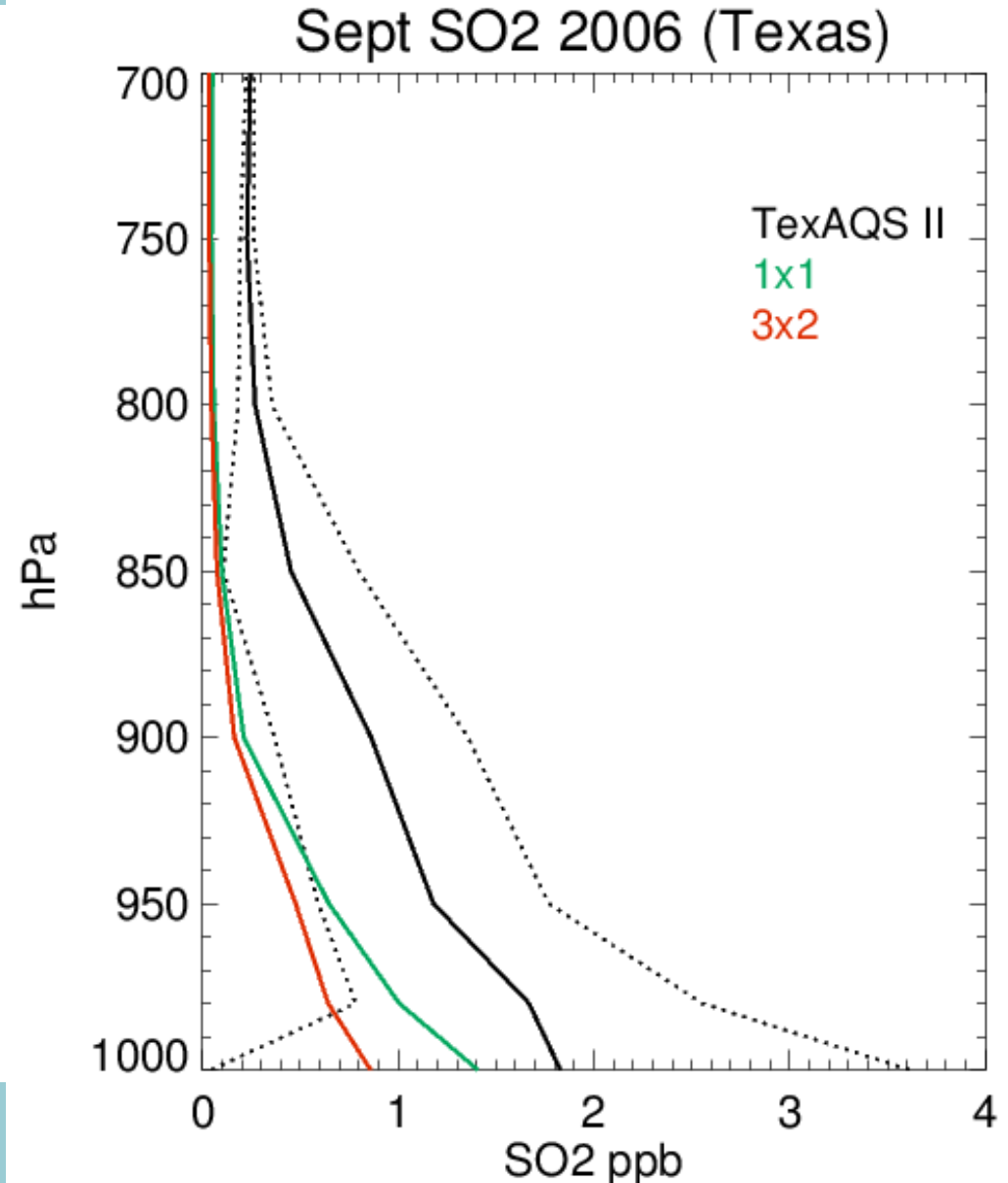


- SO₂ from primary emission source therefore changes reflect improvements in temporal distribution
- Biases across all sites (22) : DJF ~25% improve, 25% degrade
JJA ~ 30% improve, ~30% degrade



SO₂ profiles

- **Significant underestimate of integrated tropospheric column**
- **Low Bias reduced ~50% in the boundary layer at 1°x1°.**
- **Higher Global Burden at 1°x1° by ~3%**
- **Quality of comparison very dependent on the emission inventories employed.**





Conclusions

- **Increasing horizontal resolution introduces large hemispheric differences in tropospheric ozone and, thus, stratospheric exchange.**
- **Reduces surface bias in NH by $\sim 3\text{-}5\text{ppb}$. Does not close high bias in column.**
- **Although the temporal distribution of NO_x in TM5 is closer to the emission inventories only $\sim 25\%$ of cases exhibit an improvement.**
- **The NO/NO_2 ratio is consistently too high above $\sim 800\text{hPa}$ suggesting too little recycling with peroxy-radicals.**
- **An artificial seasonal cycle exists in surface HNO_3 in Europe with a high bias during boreal summertime.**
- **HNO_3 and PAN are captured well in the background.**
- **Impact on CH_2O distribution is marginal.**
- **Improvements in SO_2 profiles above anthropogenic regions.**