Global and Regional Total Ozone Trends using 20 Years of European Satellite Data

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Knowledge for Tomorrow



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- GOME-type Total Ozone Essential Climate Variable
- Total Ozone Trends
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Motivation

- 1987 Montreal Protocol
- ODSs peaked in the late 1990s
- Ozone levels remain stable since ~2000
- Recovery is expected but masked by large - dynamically induced interannual variability in the middle and high latitudes

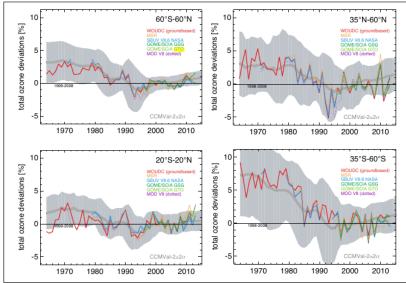


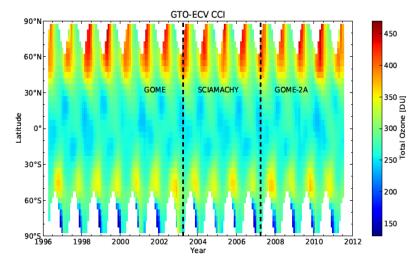
Fig. 2-2, WMO Report, 2014

- Need to create global long-term and consistent satellite data records
 - \rightarrow ESA Climate Change Initiative Ozone_CCI Project
 - Monitor the long-term behavior of total ozone
 - Analyze ozone variability and trends on global and regional scales
 - Evaluate Chemistry Climate Model simulations



GTO-ECV CCI Total Ozone Data Record

- Combination of GOME/ERS-2 (1995-2011), SCIAMACHY/ENVISAT (2002-2012), and GOME-2/MetOp-A (2007-present)
- Level 2 based on GODFIT version 3 (Lerot et al., JGR, 2014)
- Use GOME as reference and apply inter-sensor correction factors to SCIAMACHY and GOME-2A.
- Data record contains 1°x1° monthly means (incl. SD and estimated sampling errors) from July 1995 to December 2014.
- Algorithm description and extensive ground-based validation in Coldewey-Egbers et al., AMTD, 2015.
- Data freely available via: http://www.esa-ozone-cci.org

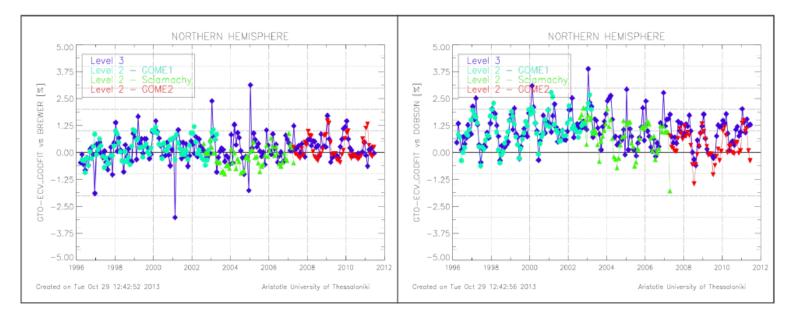




GTO-ECV CCI Ground-Based Validation (AUTH)

NH Brewer

NH Dobson

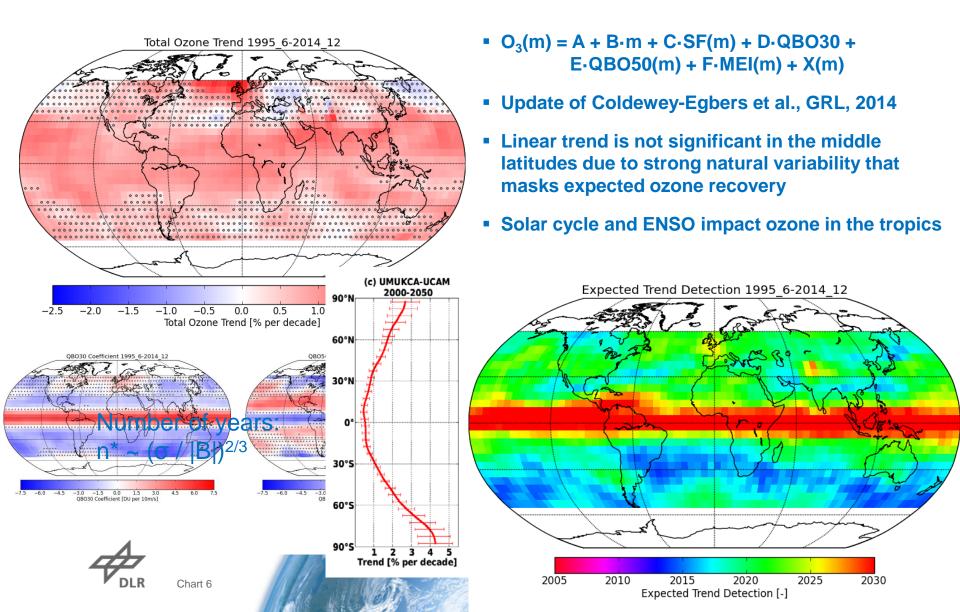


Coldewey-Egbers et al., AMT(D), 2015

 \rightarrow Level 3 merged product is of the same high quality as the individual level 2 products that constitute it; except for a few outliers mostly related to sampling differences.



Total Ozone Trends and Variability



Ground-Based Trends: Dobson Stations

- 42 Dobson stations have been selected (www.woudc.org)
- Some stations confirm the results from the satellite data record
- Trends not significant (crosses) in middle latitudes (North and South America, Europe)

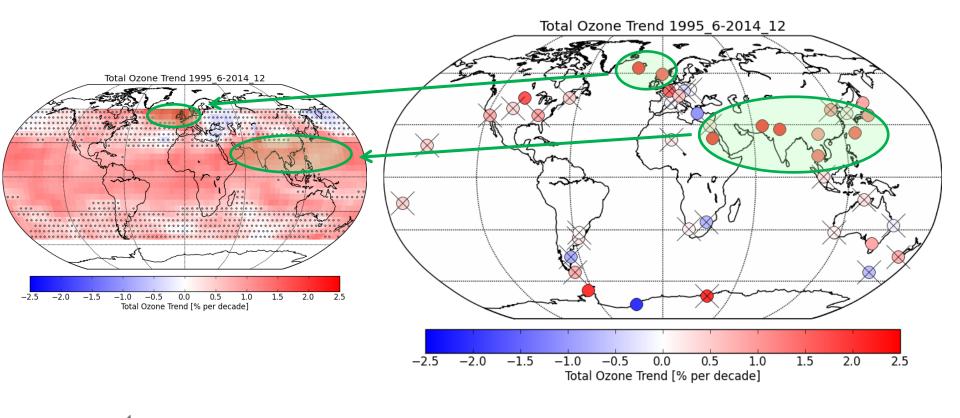
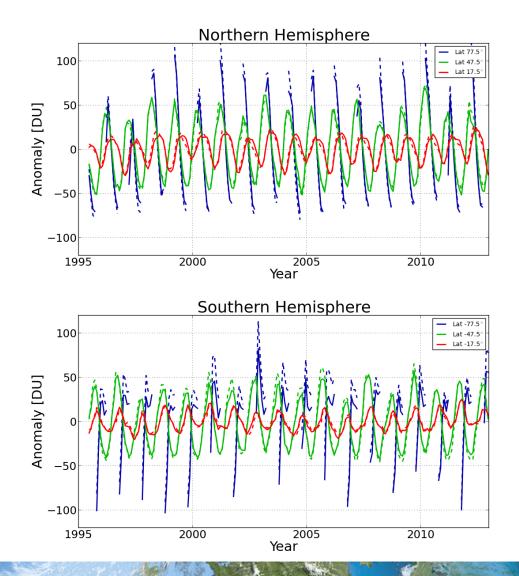


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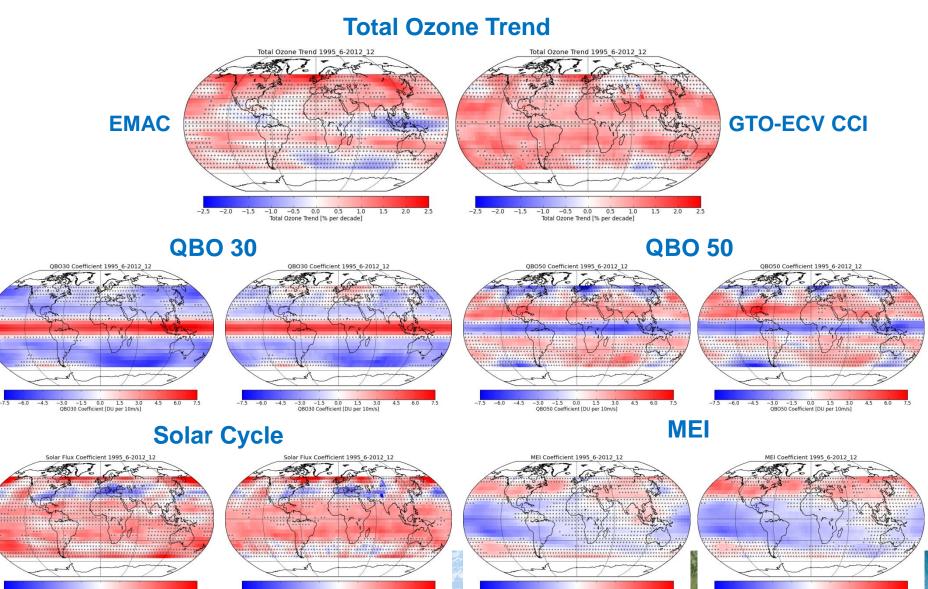
Comparison with EMAC Simulation

- Provided by the Institute for Physics of the Atmosphere / DLR
- ECHAM / MESSy Atmospheric Chemistry, a global atmosphere-chemistry model
- Jöckel et al., GMD, 2010.
- Nudged mode: meteorology constrained to (re-) analysis data.
- Monthly mean total ozone; resolution ~2.8° x 2.8°; "RC1SD-base-10" from 1980-2012.
- Total ozone columns: positive bias of ~15DU in Northern Hemisphere and ~15-25DU in Southern Hemisphere compared to GTO-ECV CCI data record
- Ozone anomalies w.r.t. mean (1995-2012) seem well captured by the model, except for the very high latitudes
- Analysis will be extended in the near future





EMAC Total Ozone Trends



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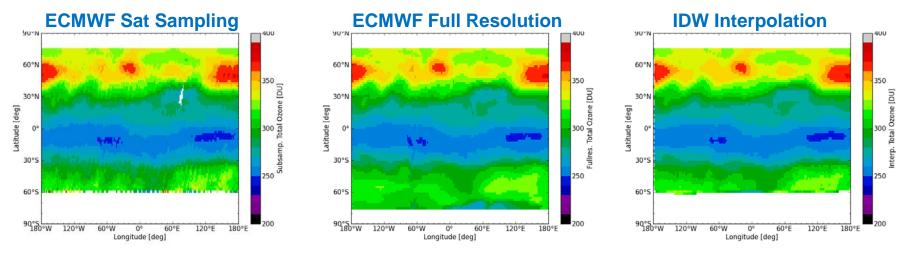
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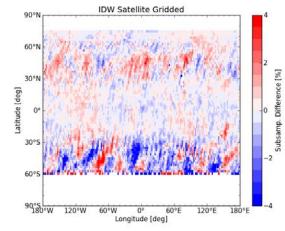
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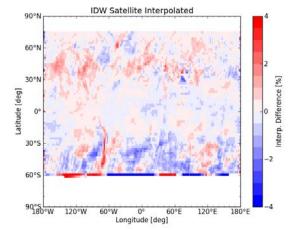
ESA Ozone_CCI Phase II: Reduction of Sampling Errors using Spatio-Temporal Interpolation



Satellite – Full Resolution



IDW Interpolation – Full Resolution





Summary and Outlook

- GTO-ECV CCI data record (1995-2014) is suitable for monitoring the longterm evolution of total ozone
- Ground-based validation (V1) confirmed the high quality and stability
- Linear total ozone trend is positive in major parts of the globe, but statistical uncertainty is still large due to strong interannual variability
- Changes in Tropics are influenced by the solar activity and by extreme ENSO events
- GTO-ECV data record valuable to evaluate model simulations
- Reduce sampling errors using spatio-temporal statistical tools
 Extend the data records using GOME-2/MetOp-B and OMI/AURA
 - \rightarrow See Posters: No. 6 by C. Lerot et al., No. 30 by Koukouli et al.

Extension using GOME-2/MetOp-C and the Sentinel series

