



Climatologies and long-term evolution of O_3 and CO over northern midlatitudes in the UTLS as seen by IAGOS

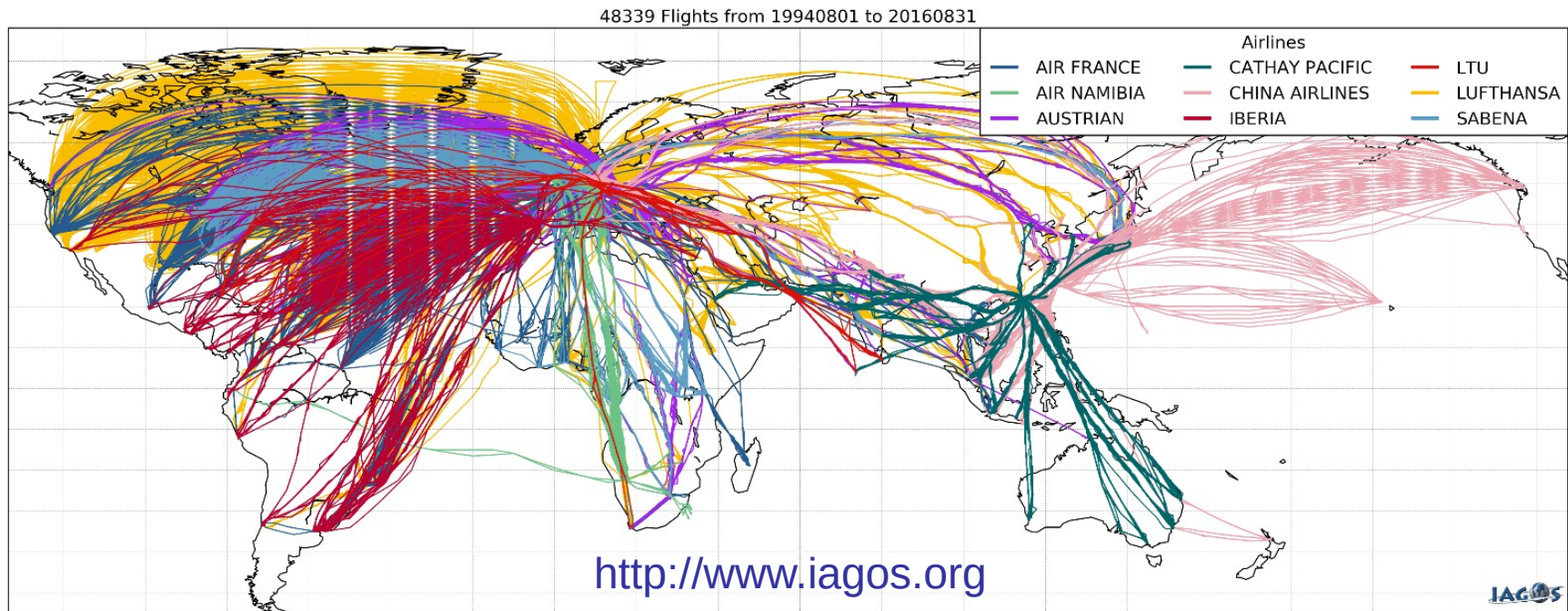
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IAGOS database

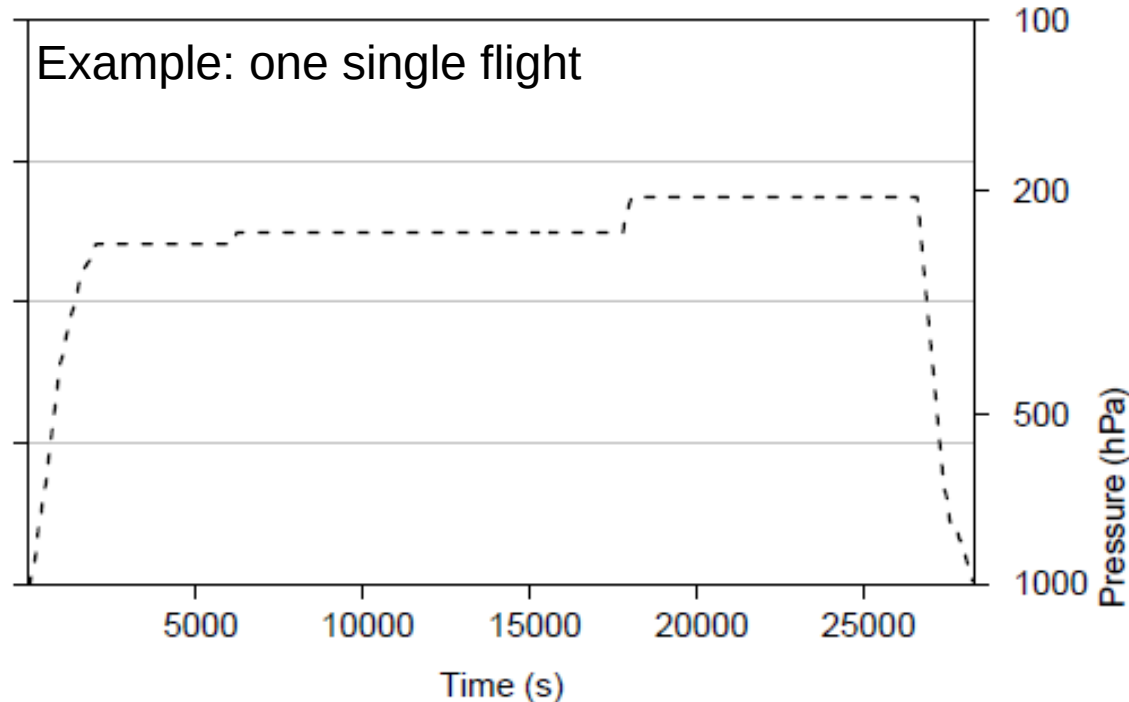


- O_3 since 1994; CO since 2001
- This study: cruise data (9 – 12 km)
- ~48,000 flights (~121 million observations)

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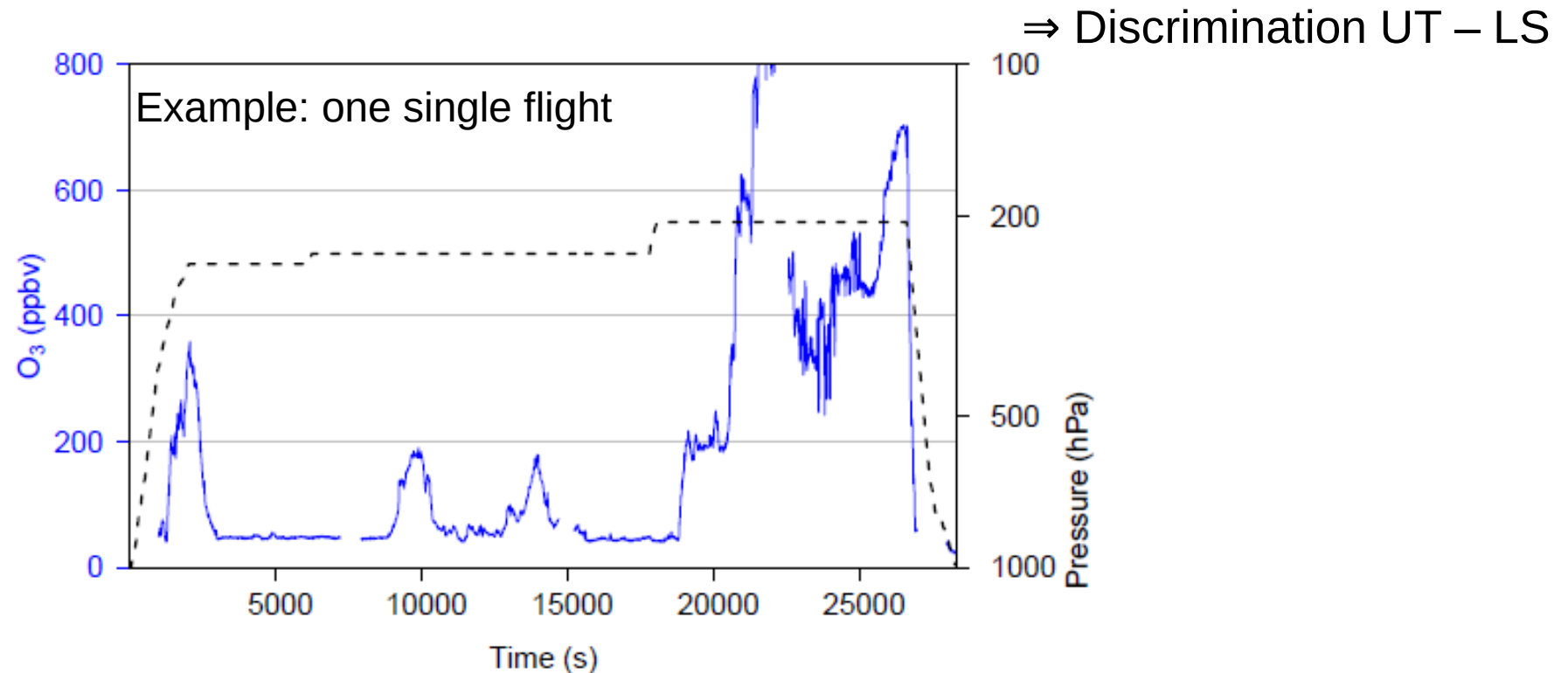
⇒ Discrimination UT – LS



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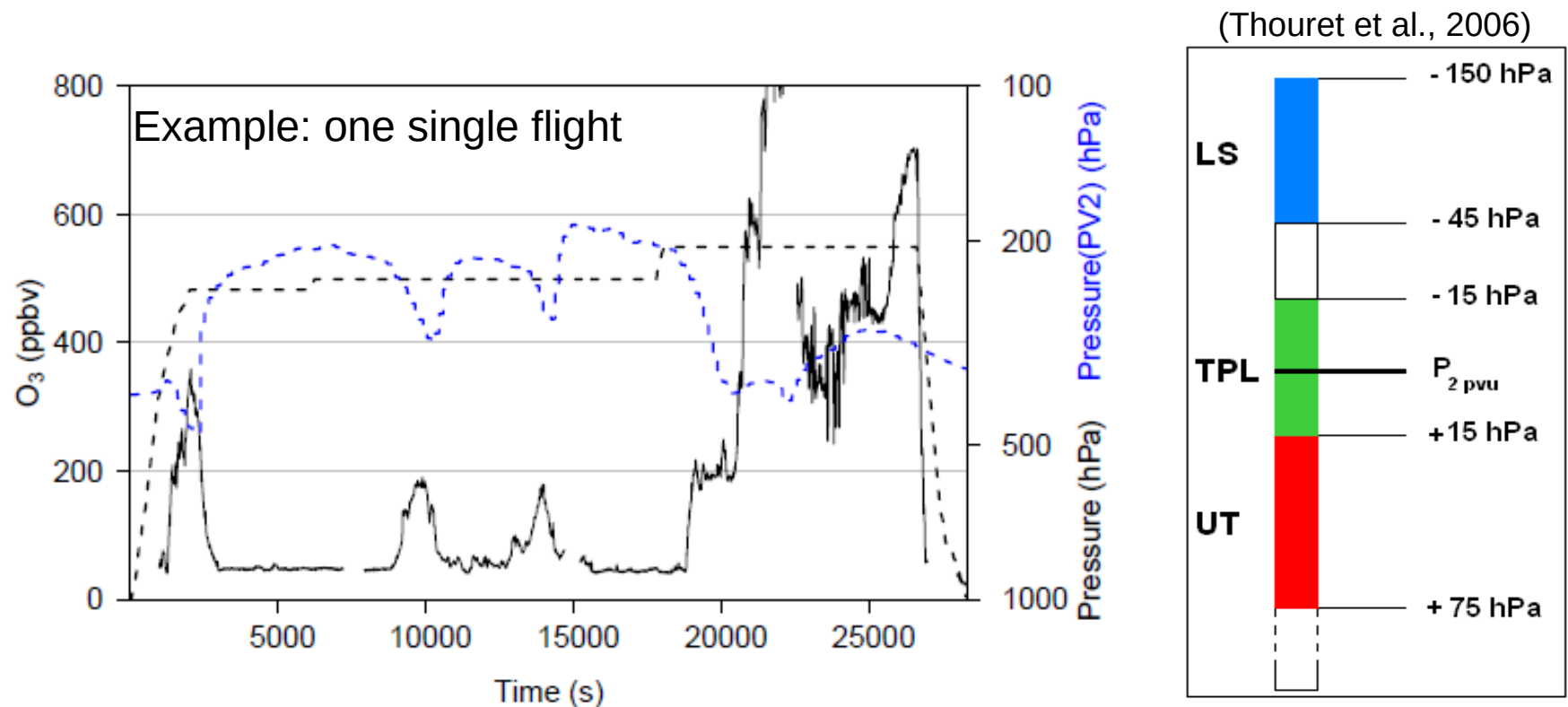
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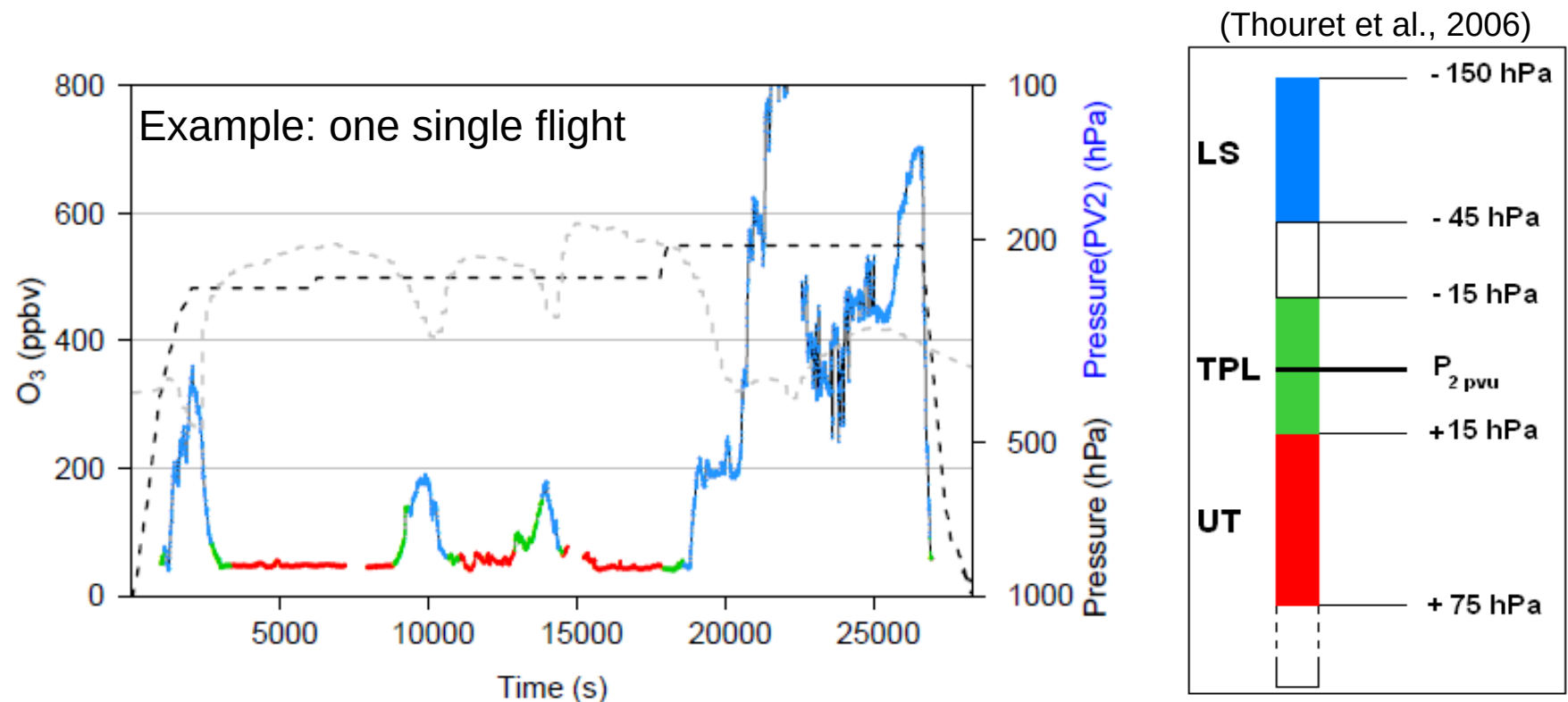
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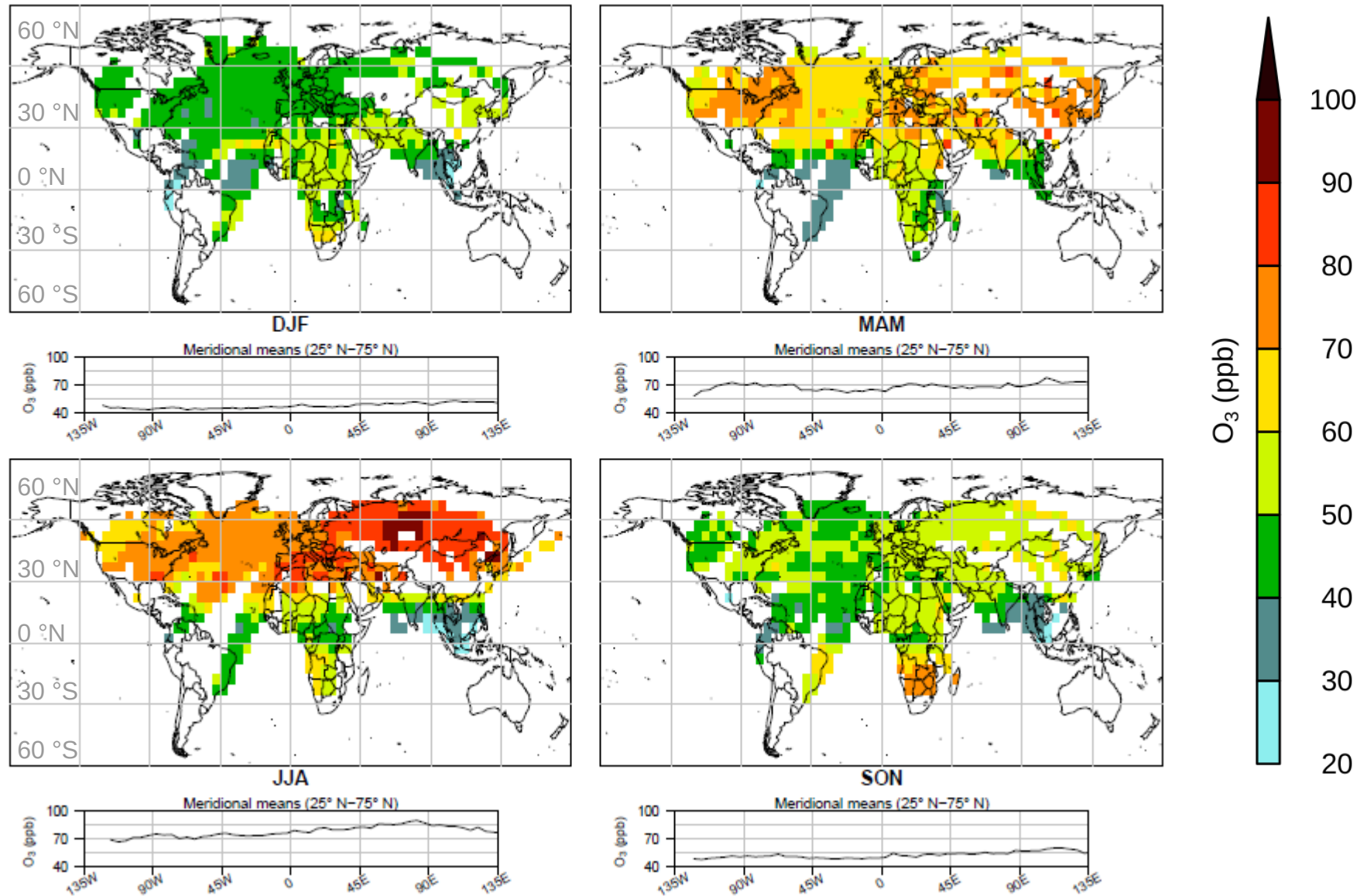
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O₃ seasonal climatology (1994 – 2013)

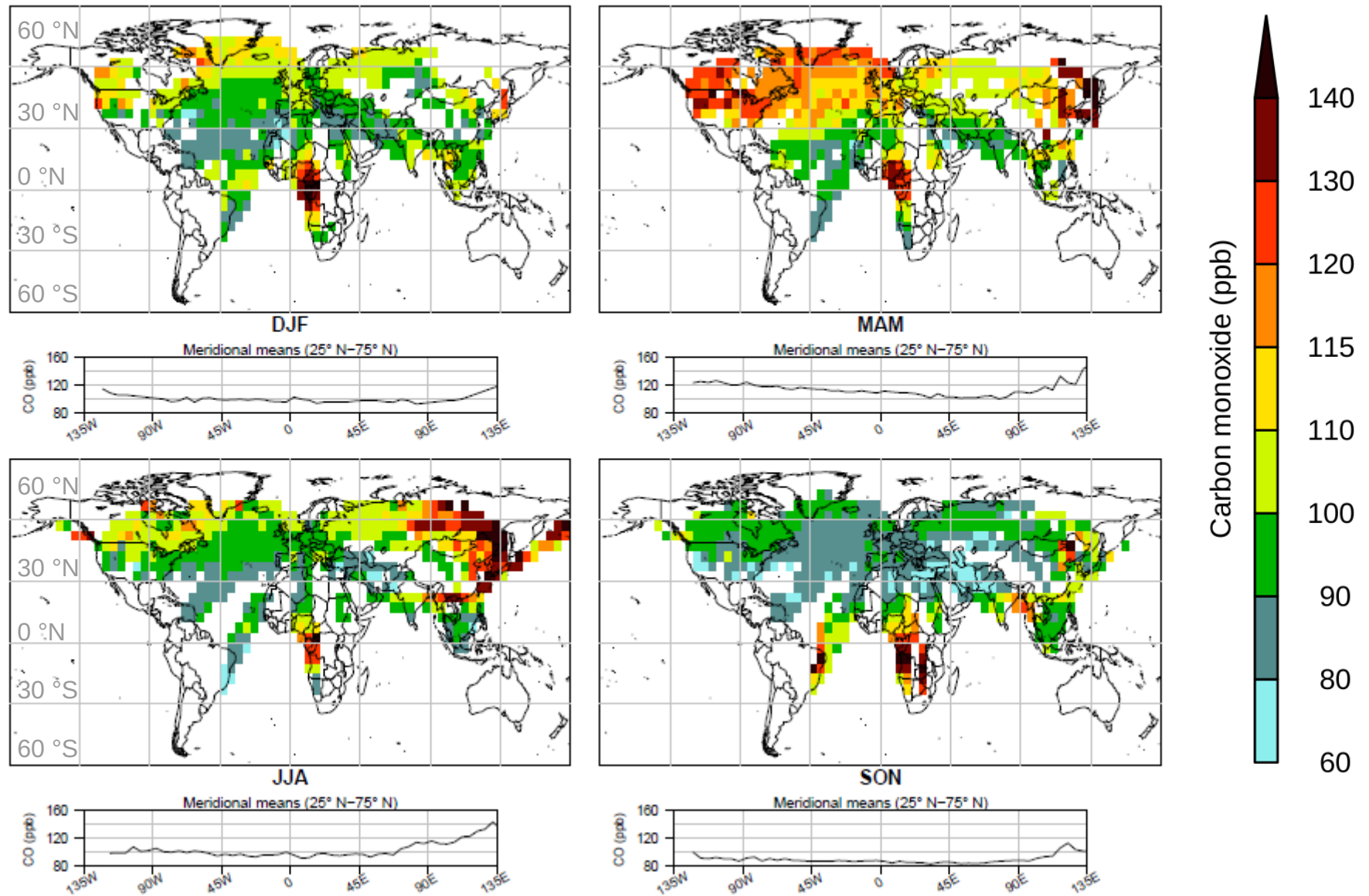
- Upper Troposphere -



- Northern extratropics: 40 – 100 ppb
- Ozone increases from west to east

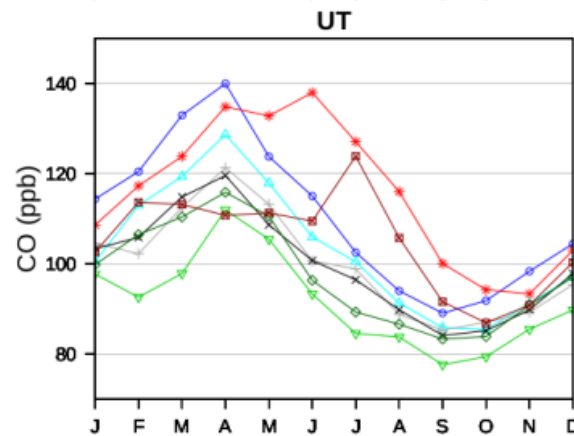
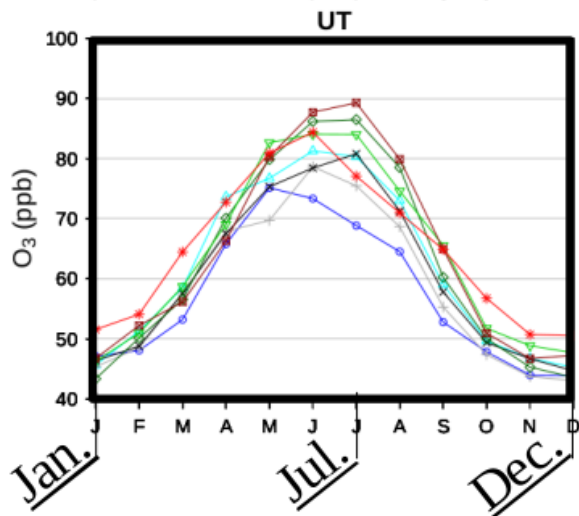
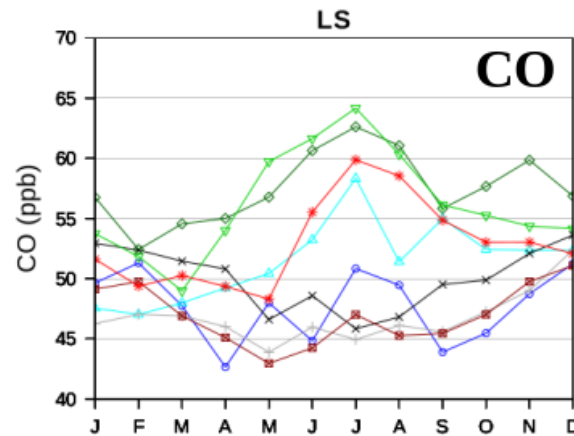
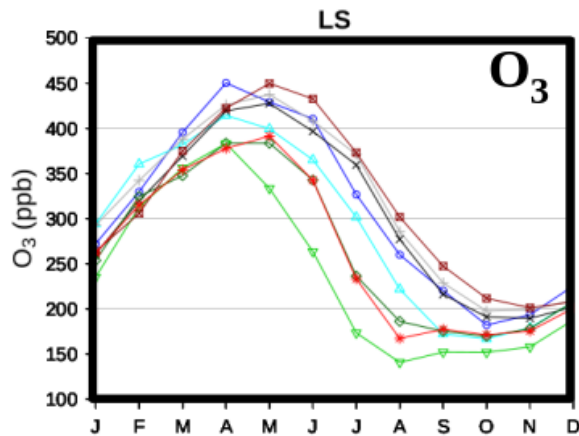
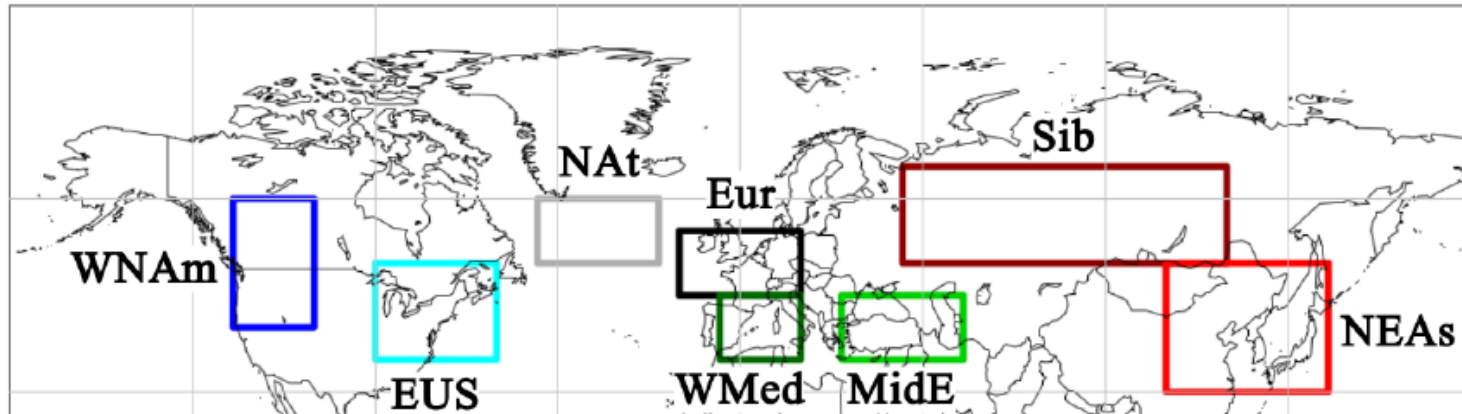
CO seasonal climatology (2001 – 2013)

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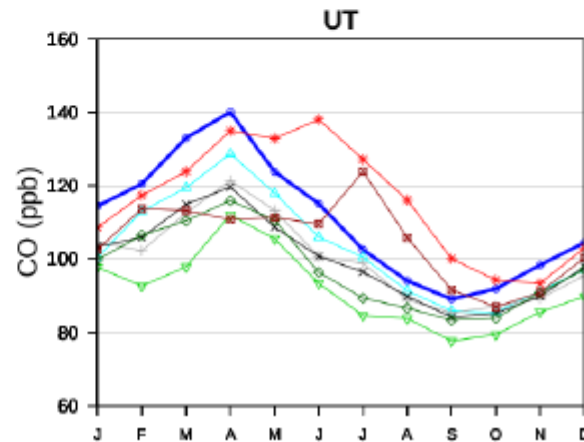
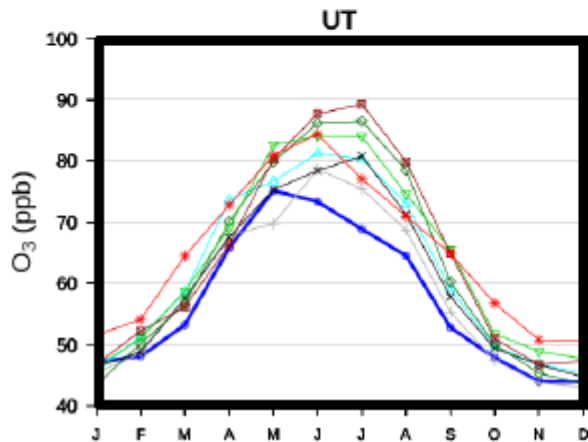
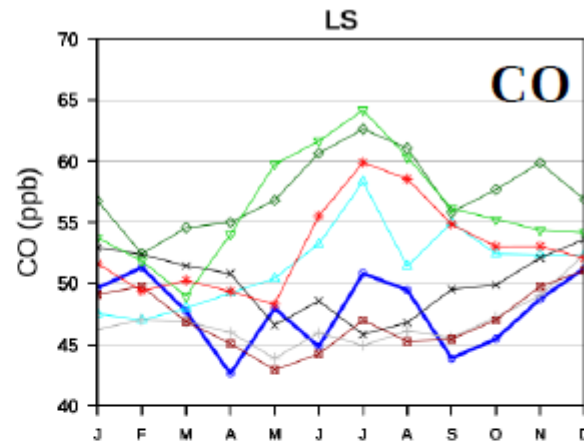
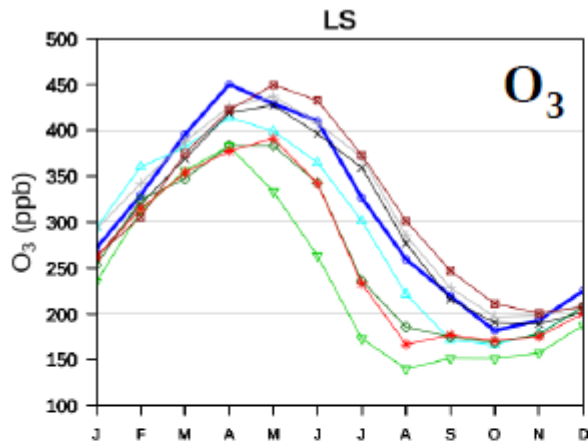
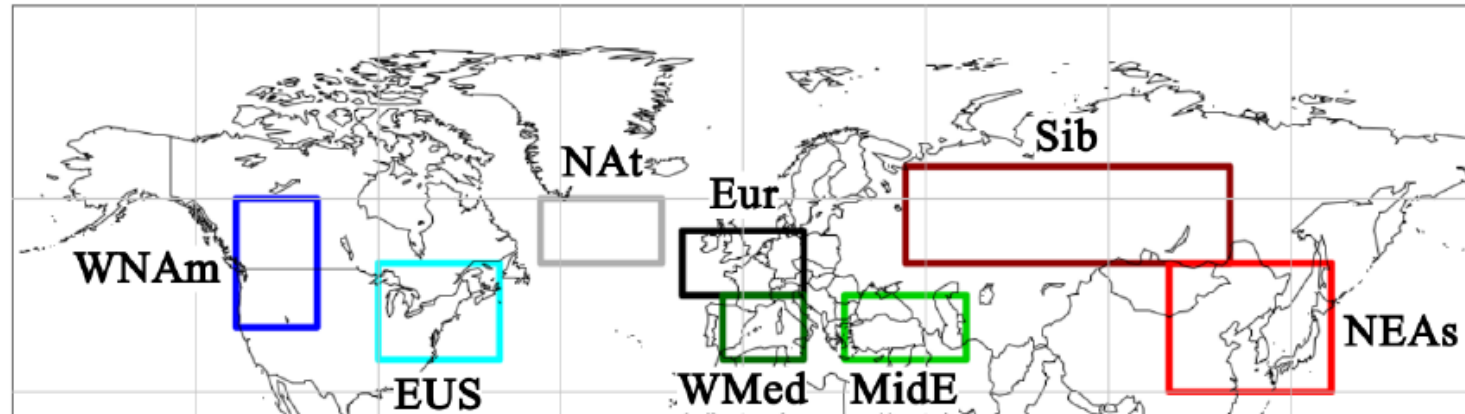
- Northern extratropics: 80 – 140 ppb
- Hot spots above eastern Asia and North America

Mean seasonal cycles



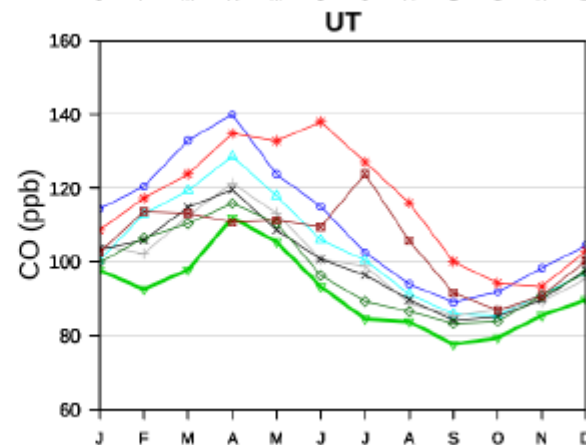
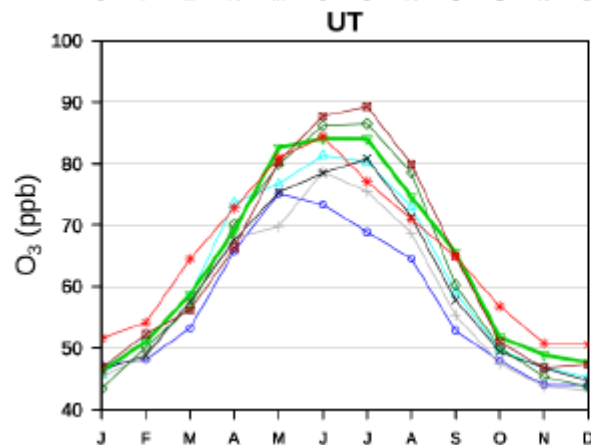
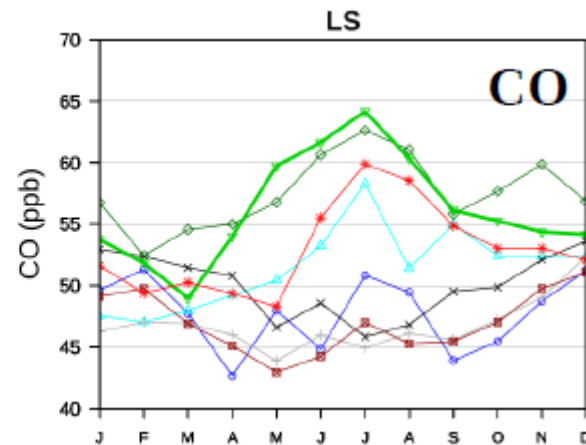
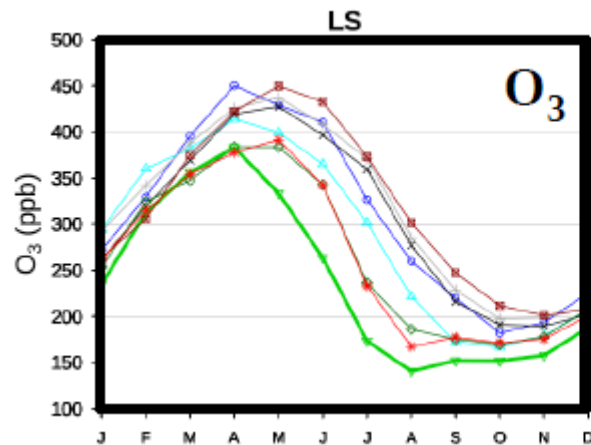
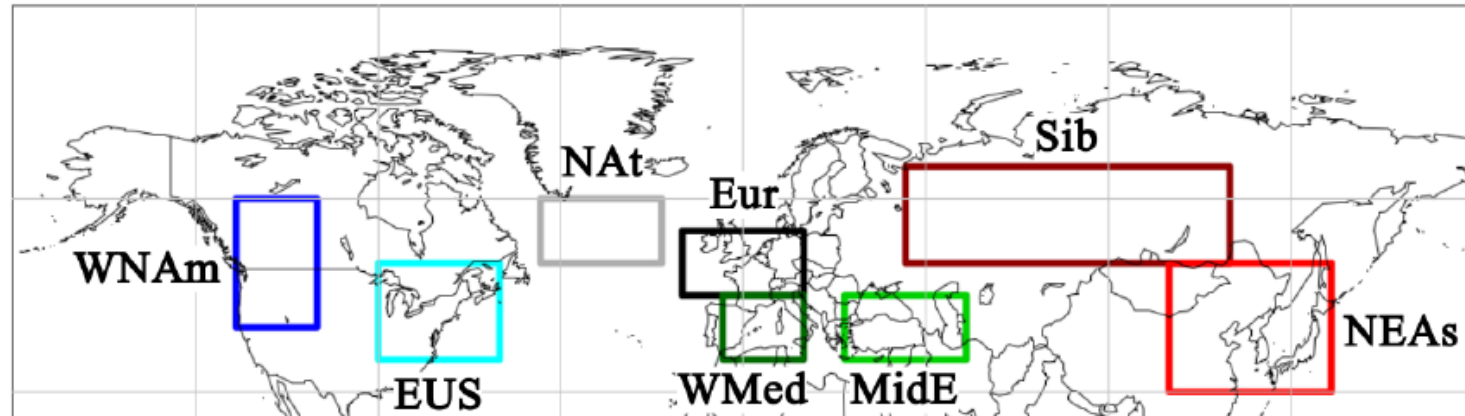
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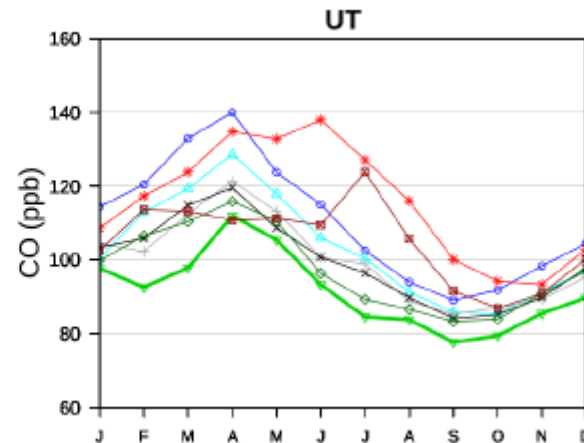
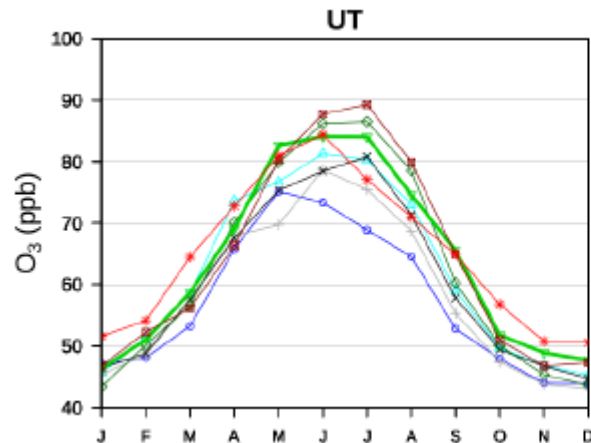
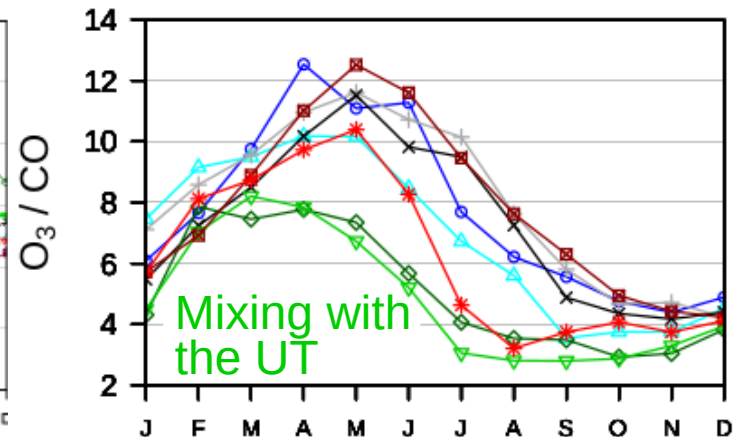
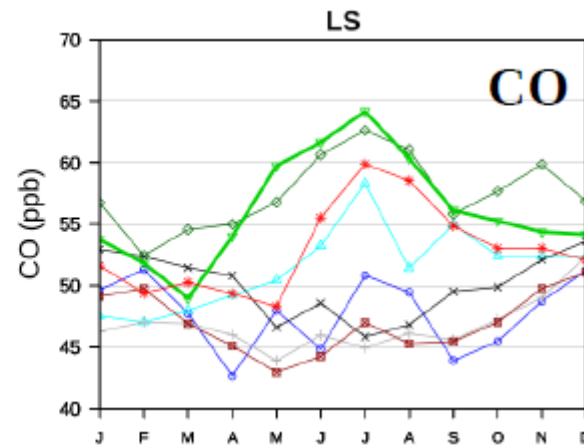
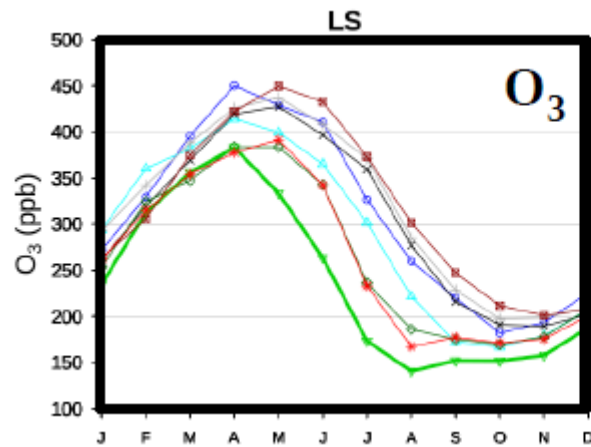
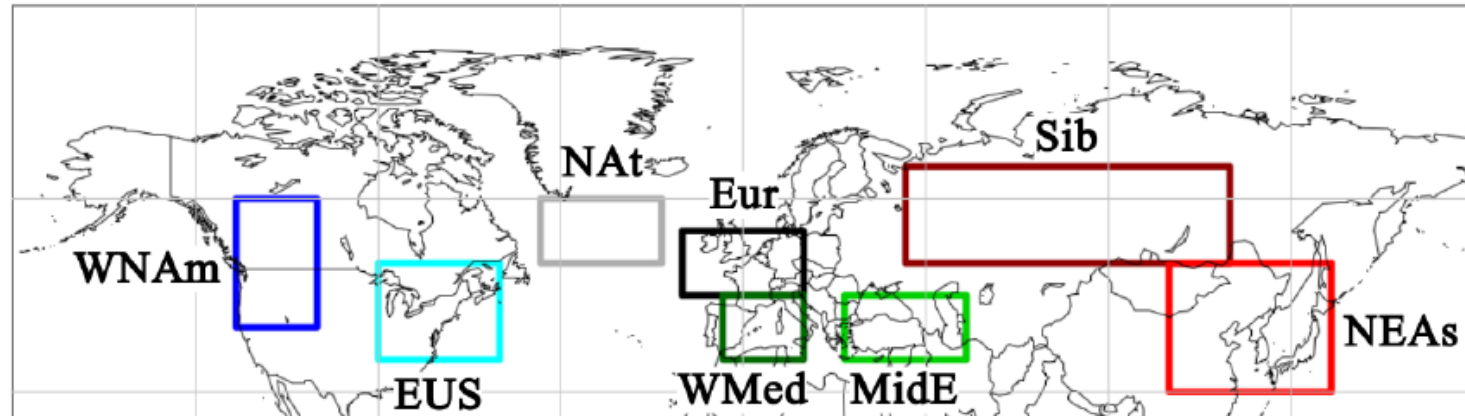
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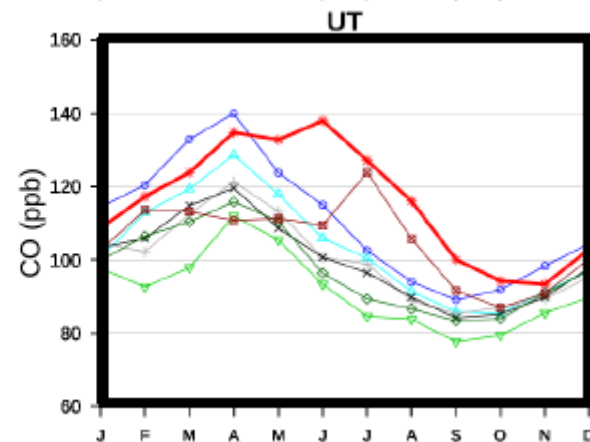
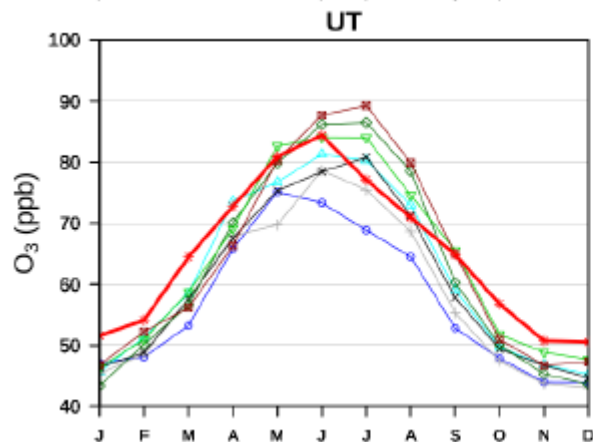
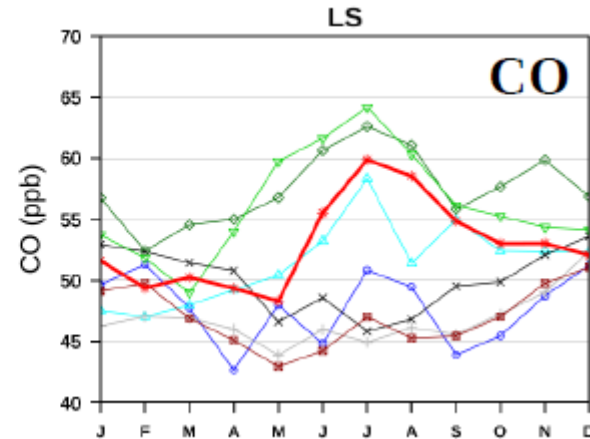
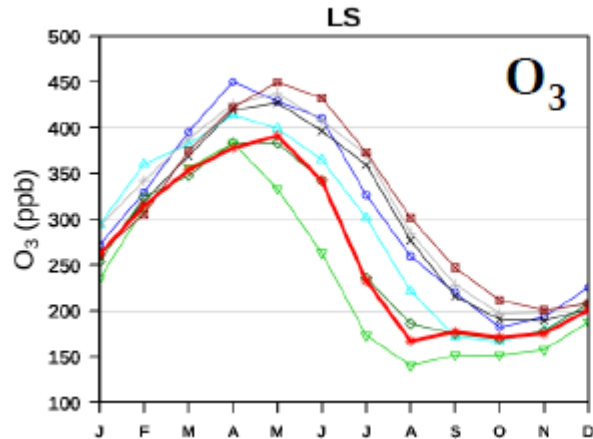
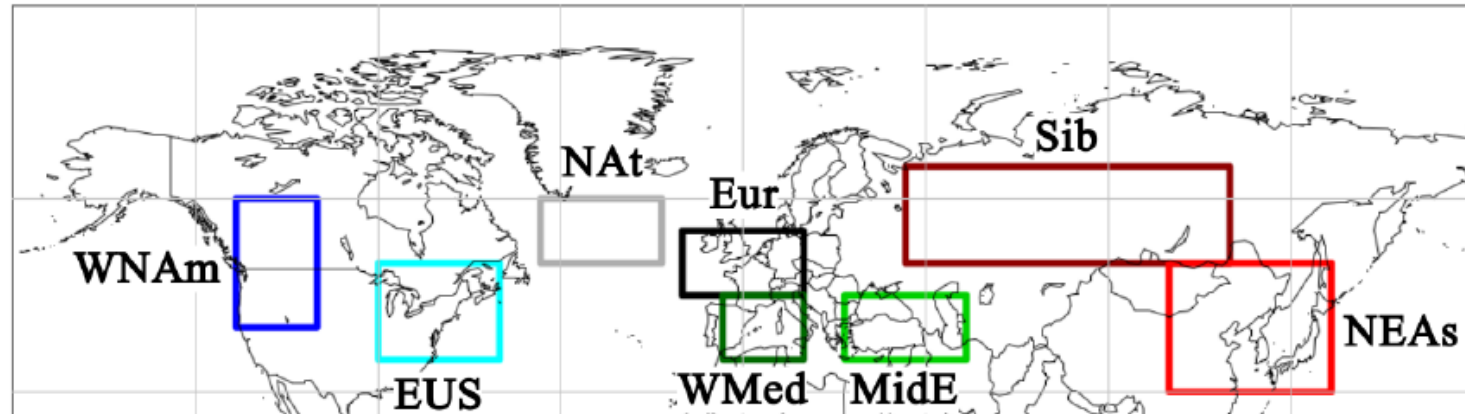
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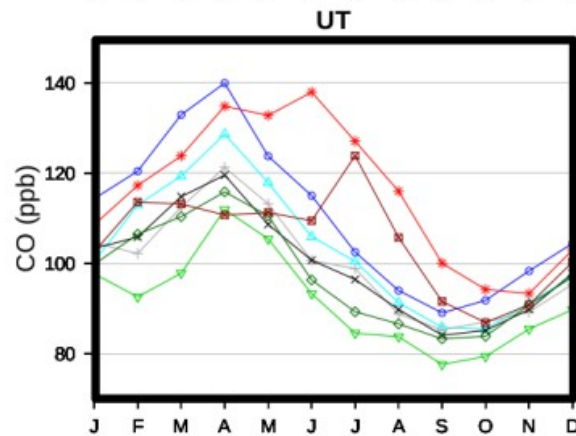
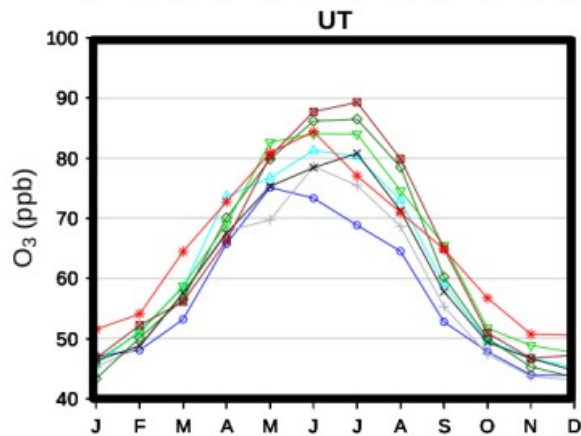
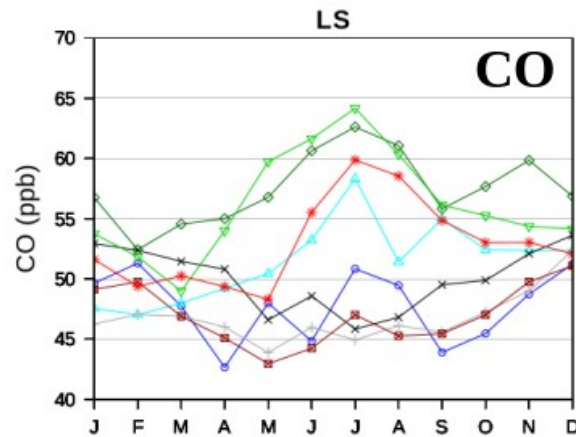
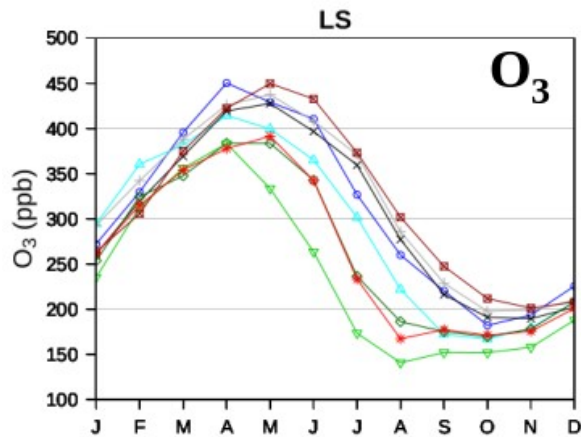
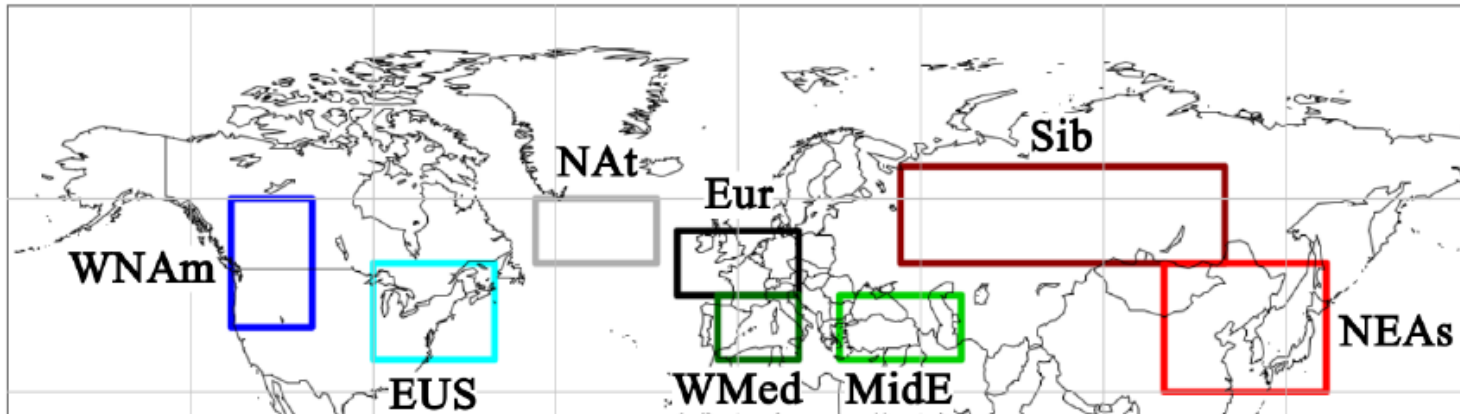
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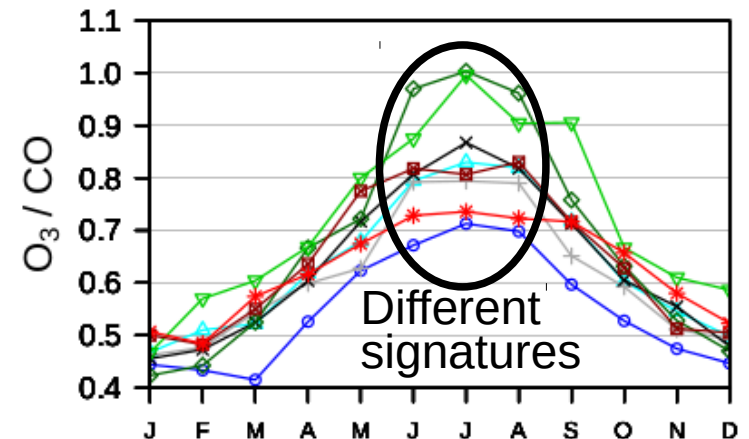
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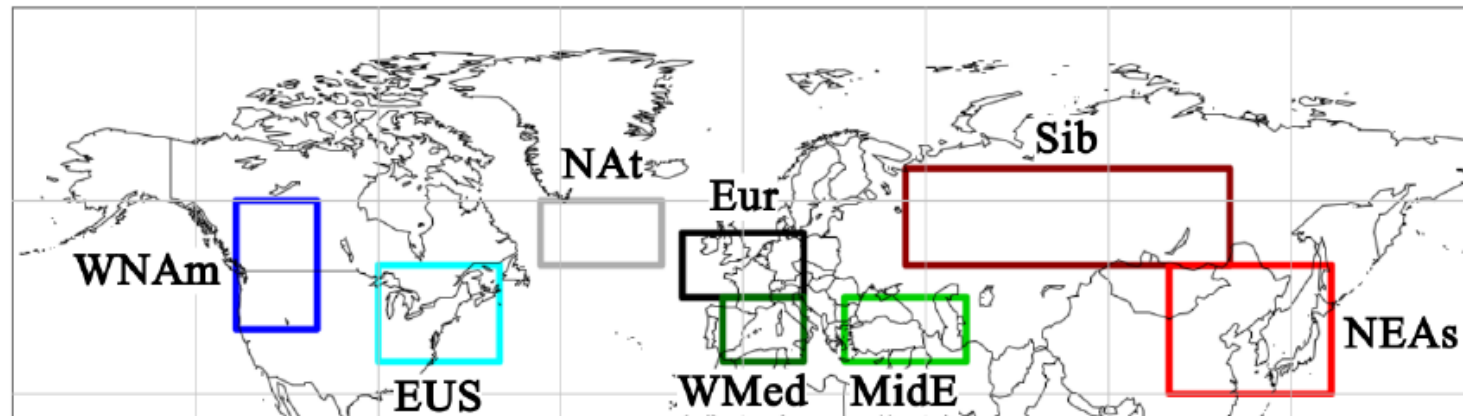


Upper troposphere in summer:

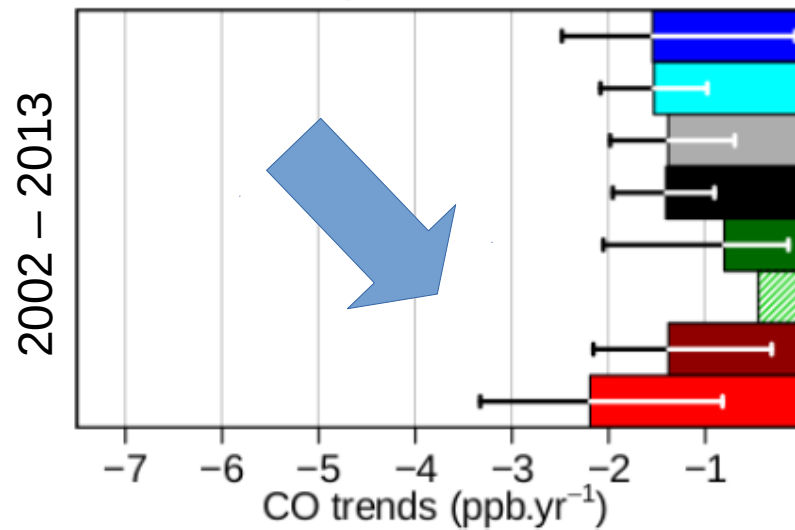
Stratospheric influence in the Mediterranean regions



Trends in CO (UT)

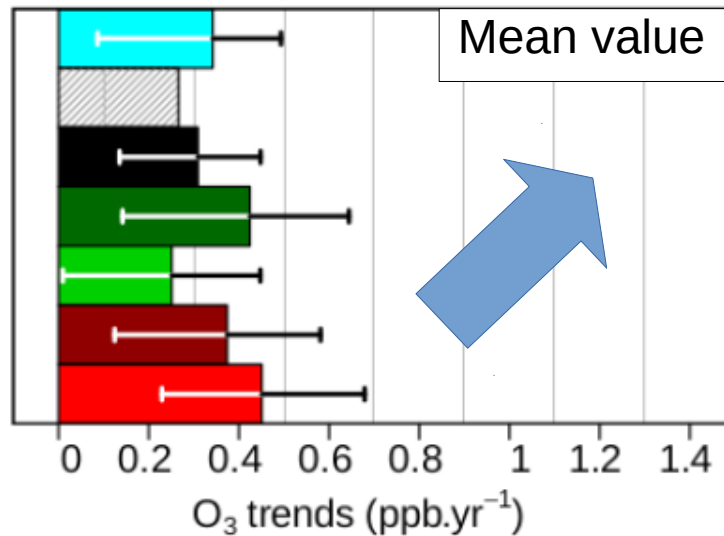
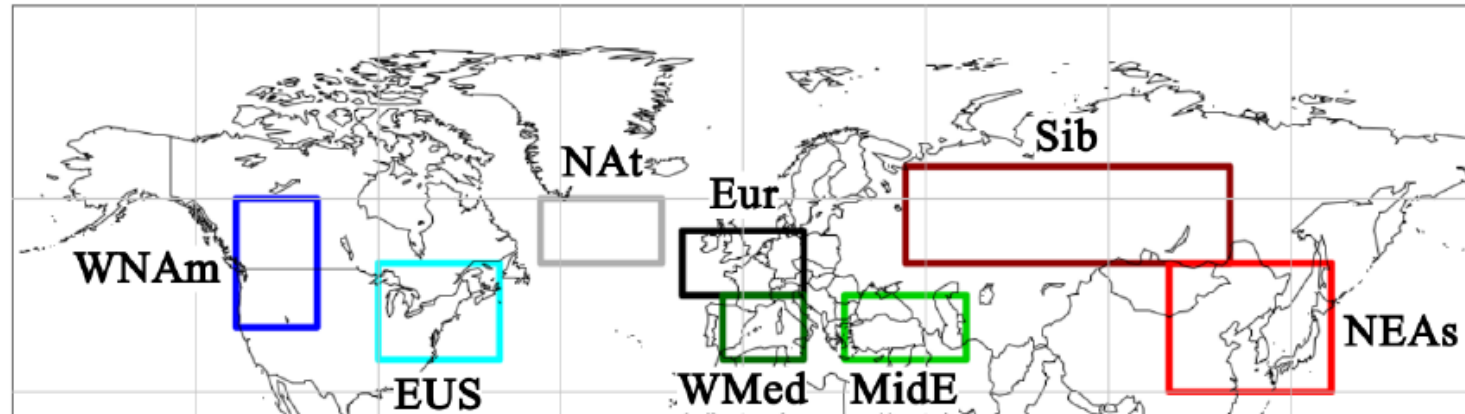


UT, Mean value



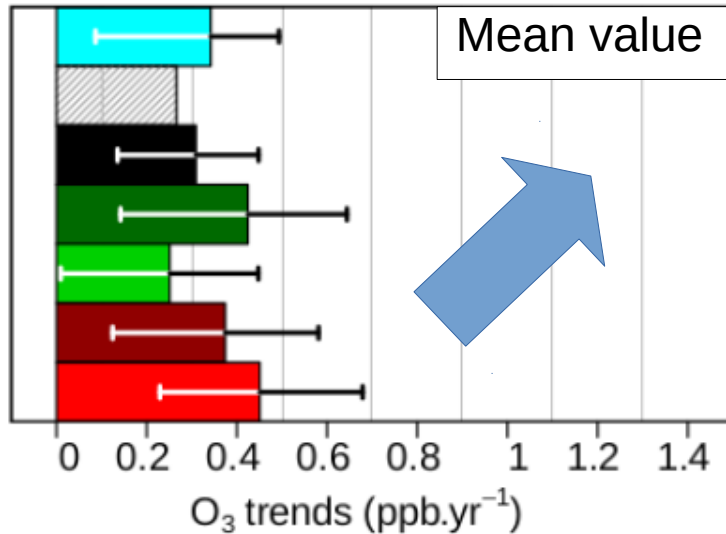
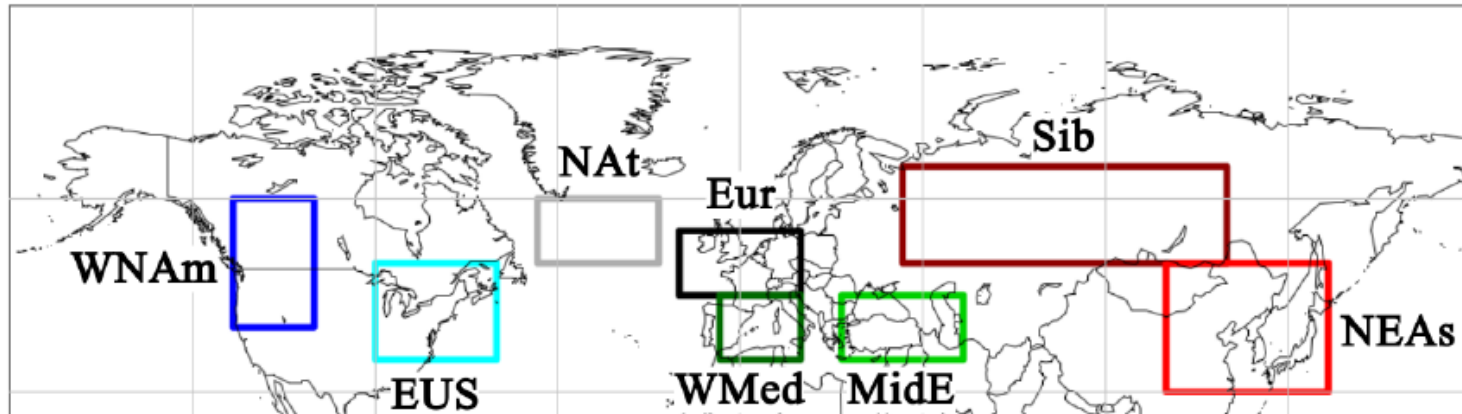
- Global decrease
[-0.8; -2.2] ppb.yr⁻¹
- Insignificant in **MidE**
⇒ less influence of surface emissions ?

Trends in O₃ (UT)

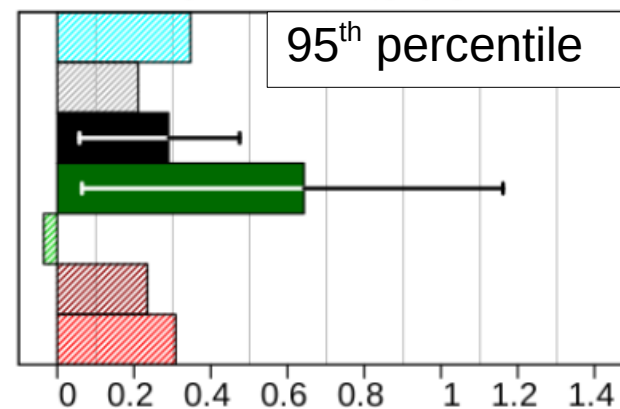
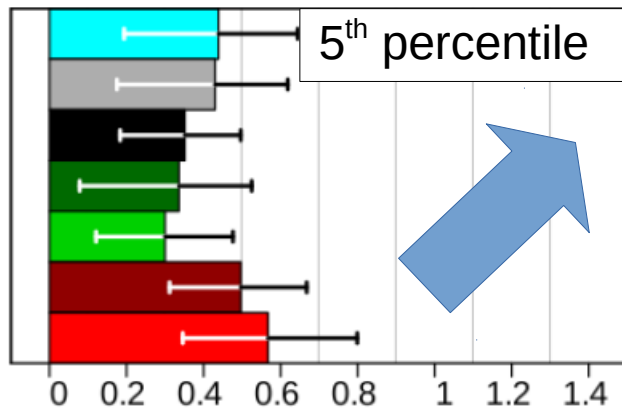


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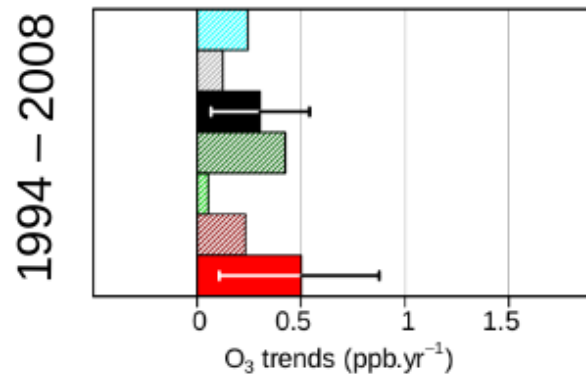
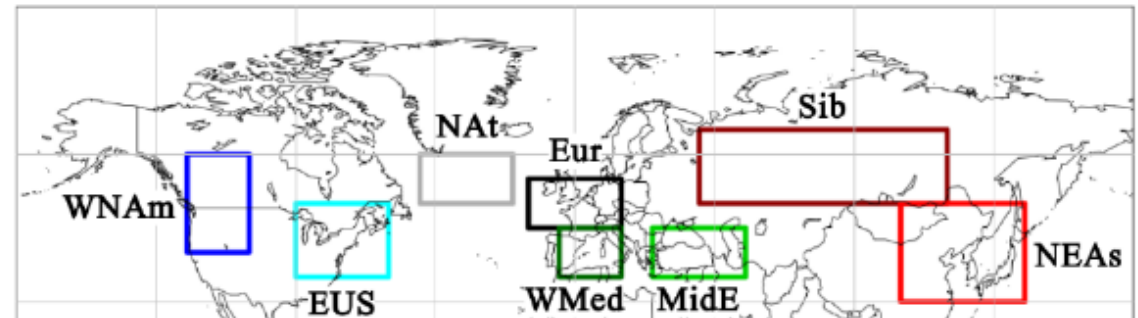
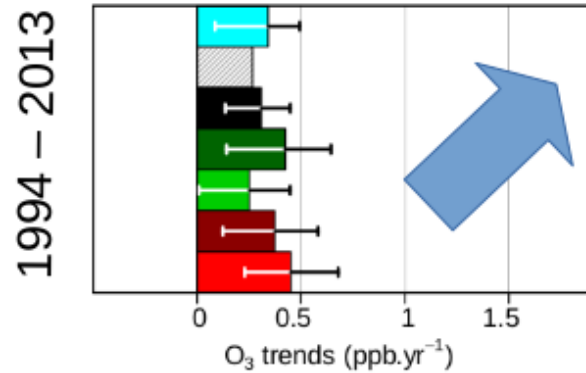


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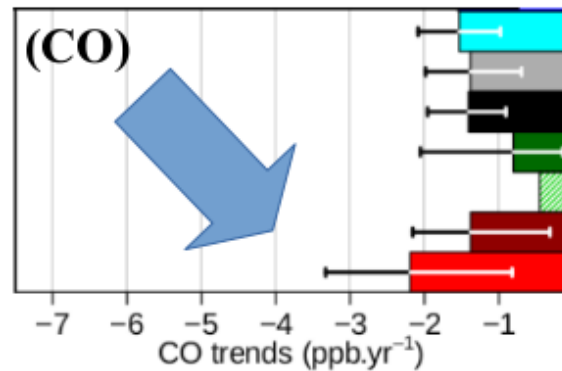
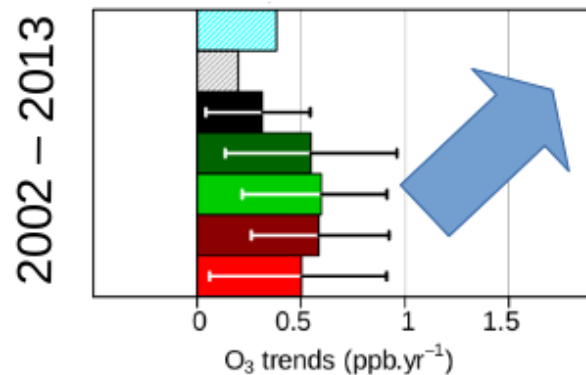
Trends in O₃ (UT): sensitivity analysis to the period

Mean value



The positive anomalies during 2012 – 2013 seem to drive the positive trends.

⇒ Trends are sensitive to the start and the end of the time series.



Summary

What is seen by IAGOS – O₃ and CO – so far? (O₃: 1994 – 2013; CO: 2002 – 2013)

- **Climatologies**

- West – east gradient in O₃, UT (up to 15 ppb difference)
- Summertime tropical air masses (Northwest America)
- Impact of the Asian Summer Monsoon on the LS (Middle East)
- Impact of biomass burning emissions (Northeast Asia)

- **Trends**

- Significant decrease of CO (-0.8 – -2.2 ppb.yr⁻¹)
- Non-significant trends of O₃ in the LS
- Significant increase of O₃ in the UT (0.25 – 0.45 ppb.yr⁻¹)
mostly by the lowest values

Further details in Cohen et al., ACP, 2018