

# EARTH SYSTEM SCIENCE: Weather and Climate

## Greenhouse and Trace Gases

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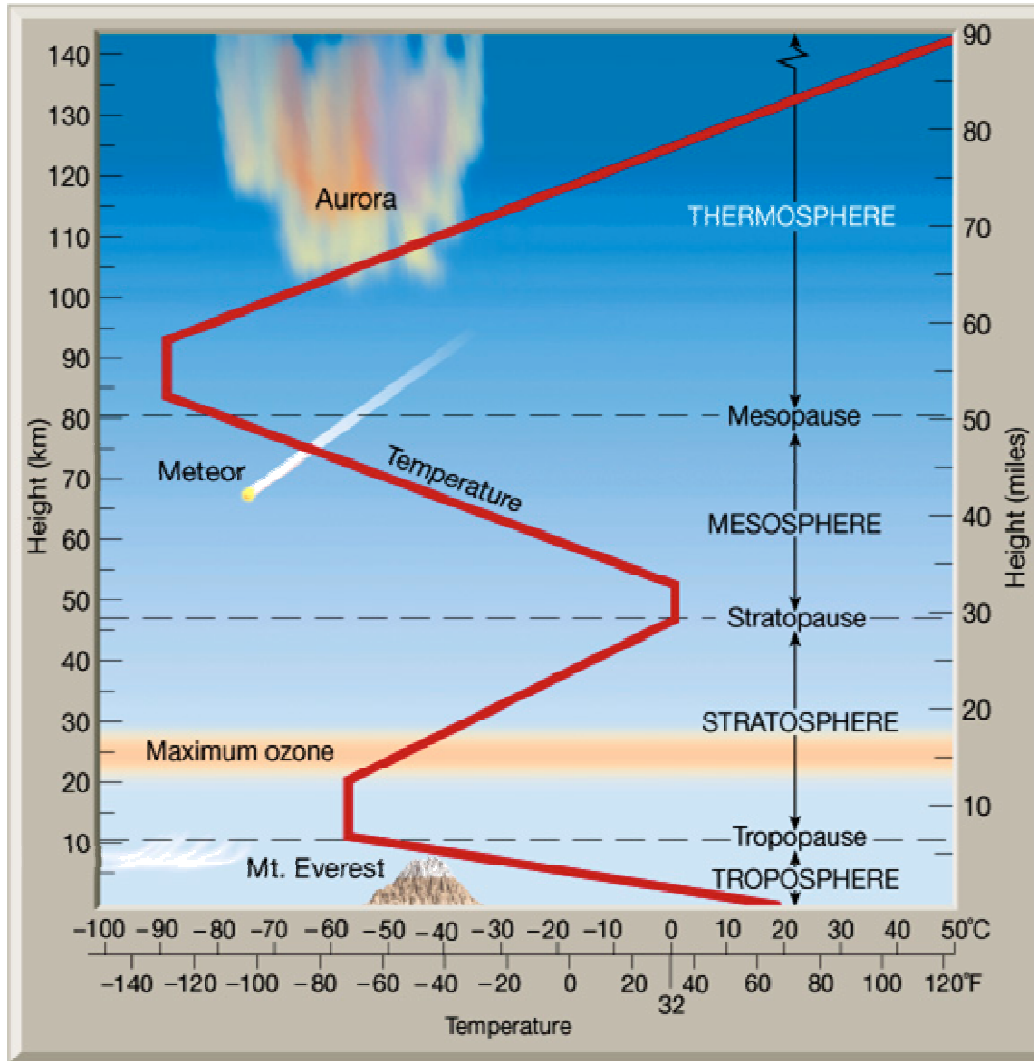
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# Composition of the atmosphere (remote areas)

Άζωτο	N <sub>2</sub>	78,1 %	}	99 %
Οξυγόνο	O <sub>2</sub>	20,9 %		
Αργόν	Ar	0,93 %		
Διοξ. Άνθρακα	CO <sub>2</sub>	0,035 %		
Νέον	Ne	0,0018 %		
Ήλιον	He	0,0005 %		
<u>Μεθάνιο</u>	CH <sub>4</sub>	0,00017 %		
Κρυπτόν	Kr	0,00011 %		
Υδρογόνο	H <sub>2</sub>	0,00005 %		
Όζον	O <sub>3</sub>	1-4 10 <sup>-6</sup> %		
Νερό	H <sub>2</sub> O	1 %		Έδαφος
		10 <sup>-7</sup> %		Τροπόπαυση

# Vertical distribution of atmosphere



## ➤ Composition

Omoiosphere (0-100 km)

Heterosphere (>100 km)

Thermosphere (100-400 km)

Exosphere (>400 km)

## ➤ Temperature

Troposphere (0-12±4 km)

Stratosphere (Tropopause -50 km)

Mesosphere (Stratopause-80 km)

## ➤ Other criteria

Ionosphere (70-300 km)

Magnetosphere (1000 km-10 R<sub>F</sub>)

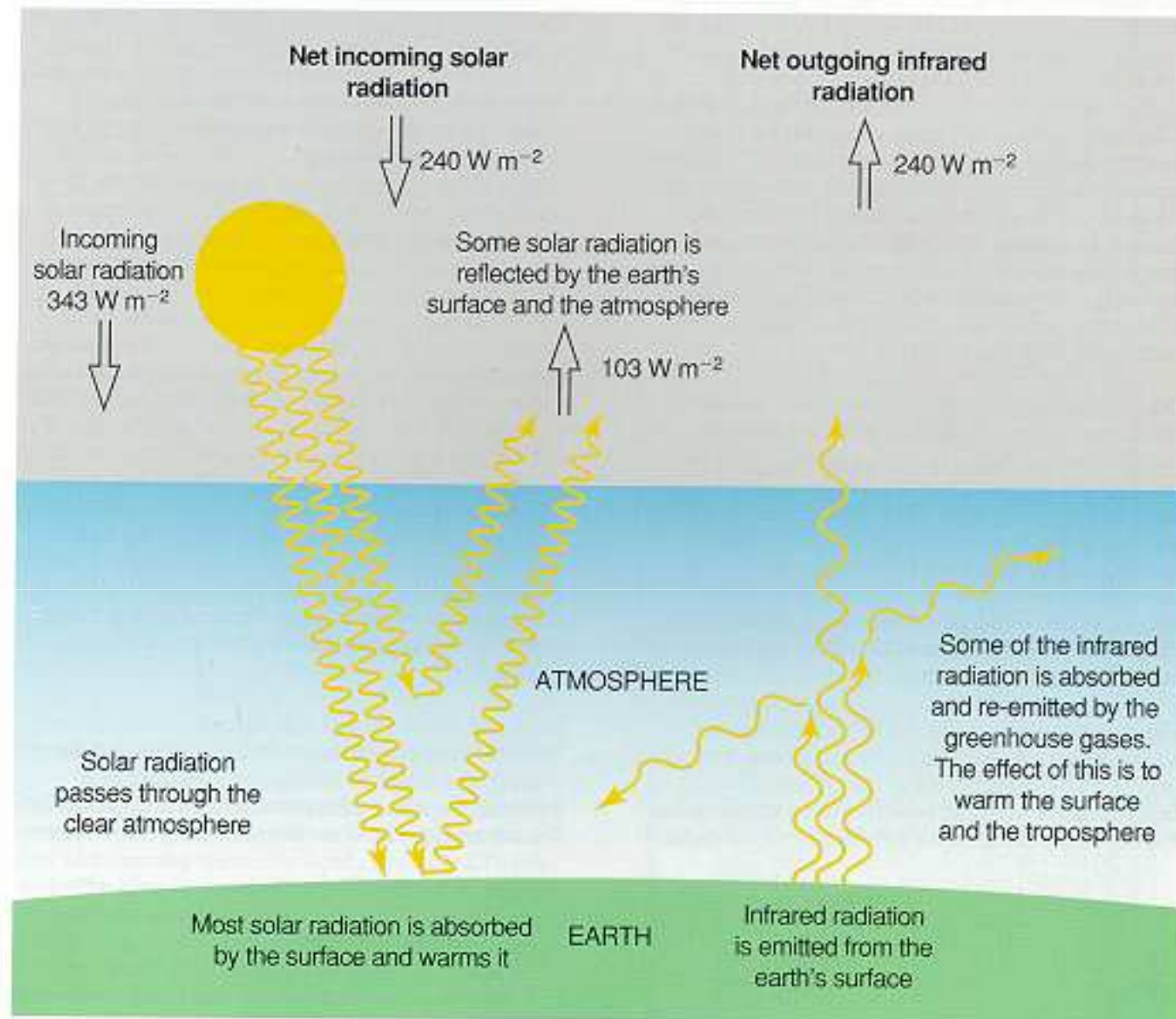


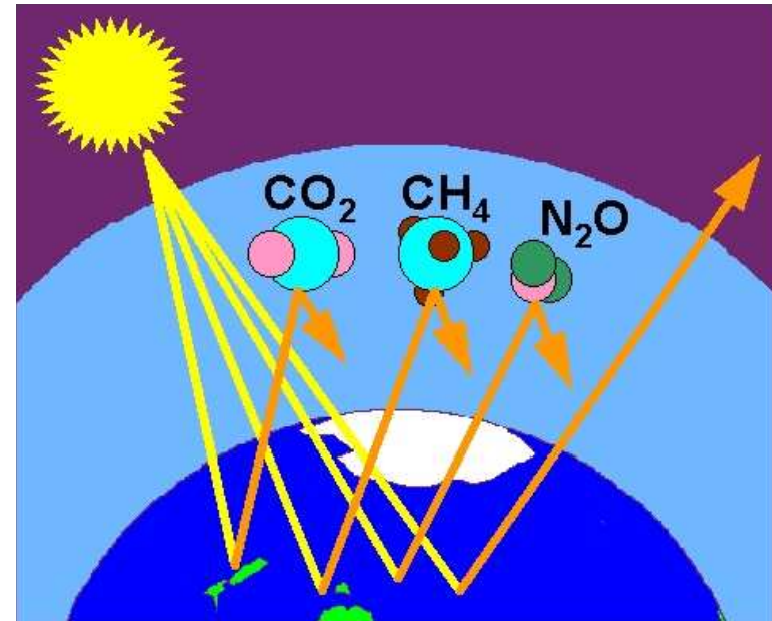
Figure 1. A simplified diagram illustrating the global long-term radiative balance of the atmosphere. Net input of solar radiation ( $240 \text{ W m}^{-2}$ ) must be balanced by net output of infrared radiation. About a third ( $103 \text{ W m}^{-2}$ ) of incoming solar radiation is reflected and the remainder is mostly absorbed by the surface. Outgoing infrared radiation is absorbed by greenhouse gases and by clouds keeping the surface about  $33 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  warmer than it would otherwise be.



# Greenhouse gases

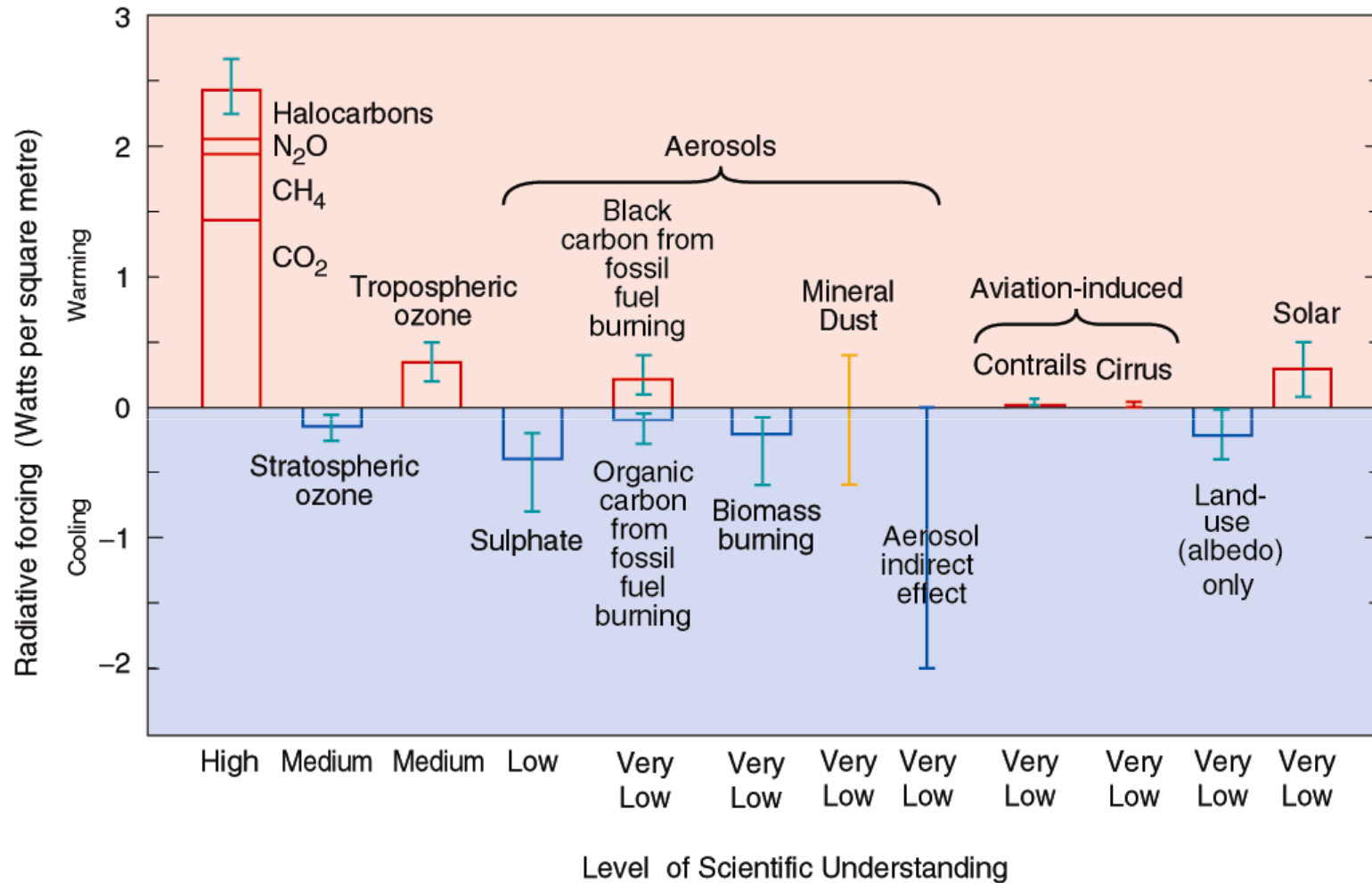
Infrared radiation emitted from the Earth is absorbed in the atmosphere by just a few gases – the greenhouse gases.

Warming of the atmosphere by naturally occurring greenhouse gases makes the surface of the Earth about 33°C (59°F) warmer.



However - The amount of key gases has risen dramatically since the Industrial revolution.

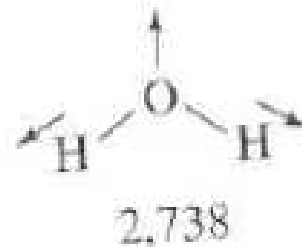
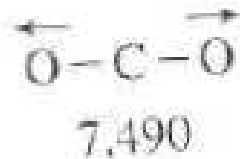
## The global mean radiative forcing of the climate system for the year 2000, relative to 1750



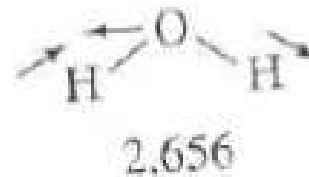
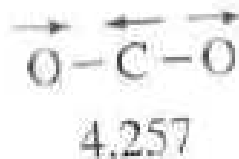
# Greenhouse gases (GHG)

Gases which behave as electrical dipole e.g.  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$ , CFCs,  $\text{O}_3$

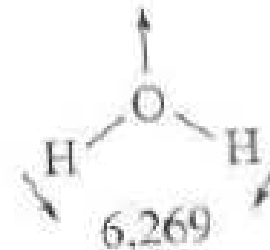
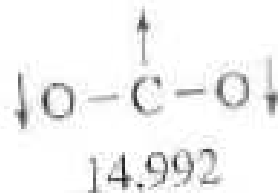
Symmetric stretch,  $\nu_s$

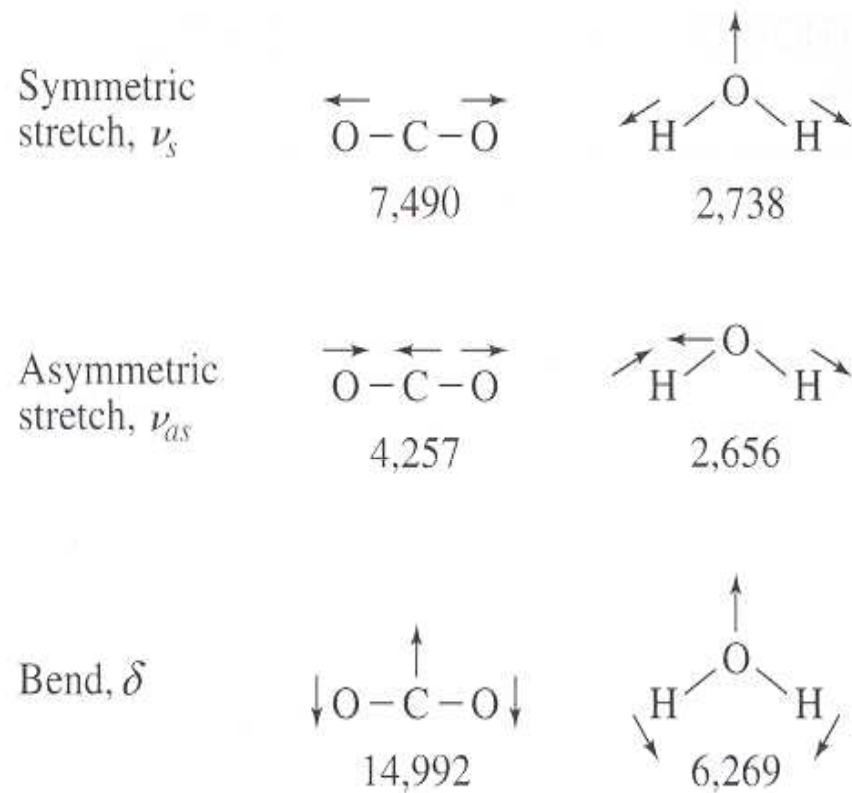


Asymmetric stretch,  $\nu_{as}$



Bend,  $\delta$





**Figure 6.12** Molecular vibrations of  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in units of wavelengths (nm).

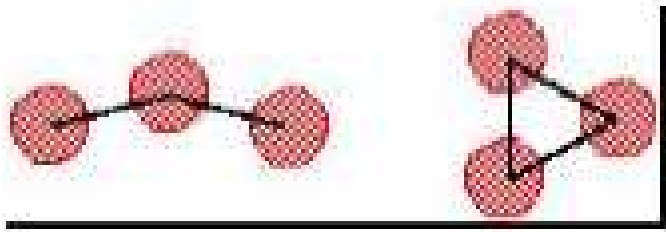


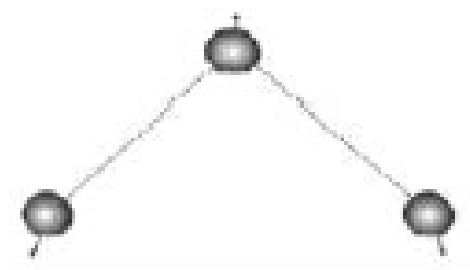
Figure 1. Two forms of possible ozone molecule.



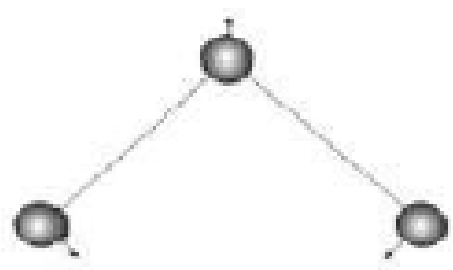
The actual molecule is non-linear with a bond angle of  $116^\circ$  (Figure 2) [6].



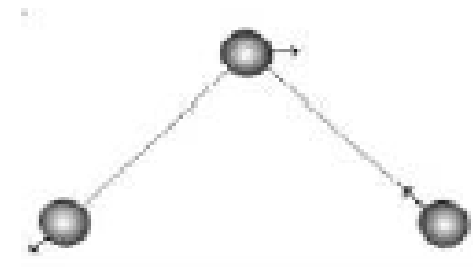
Figure 2. Four resonance structures of the ozone molecule. Adopted from [6].



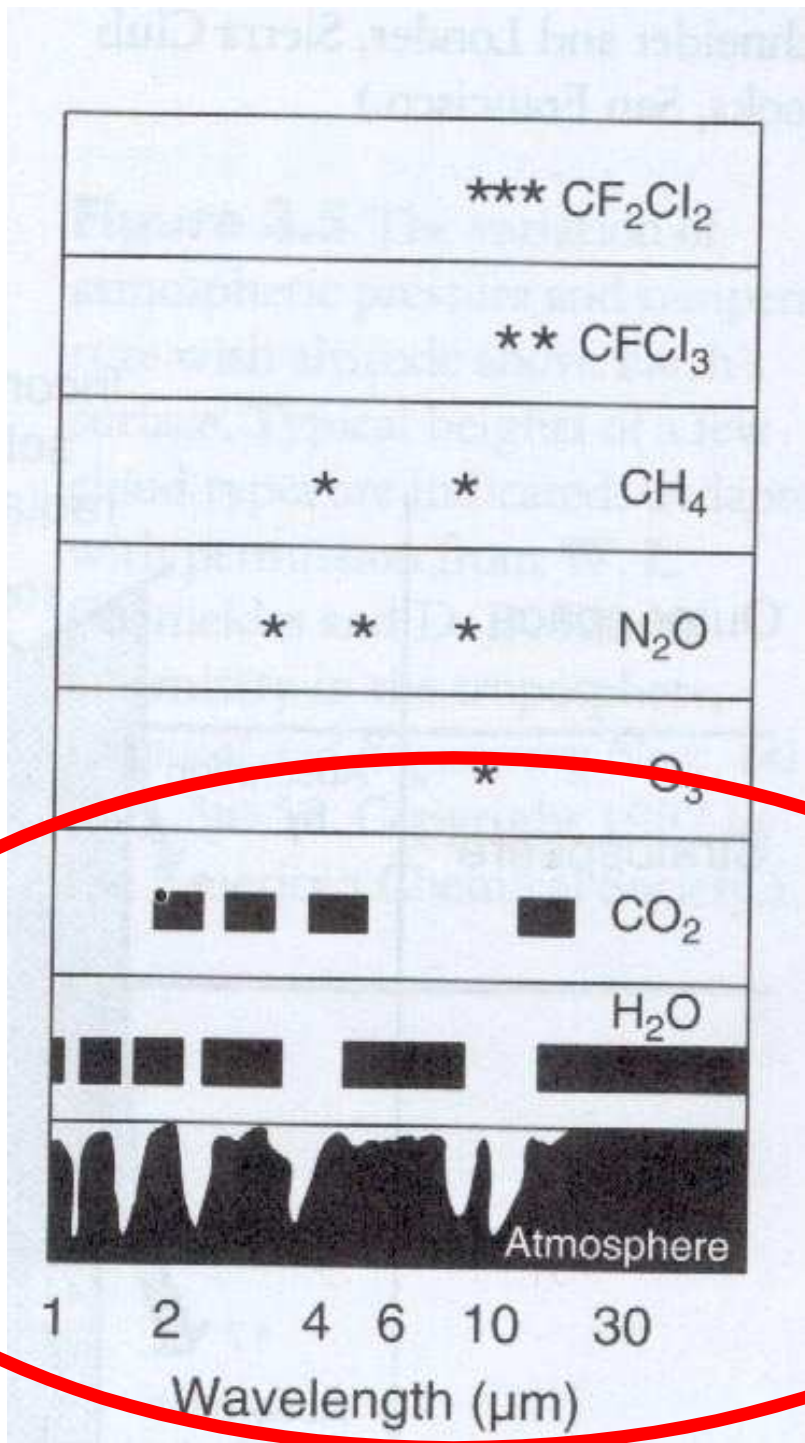
'Stretching' symmetric vibration  $q_1$



'Bending' vibration  $q_2$

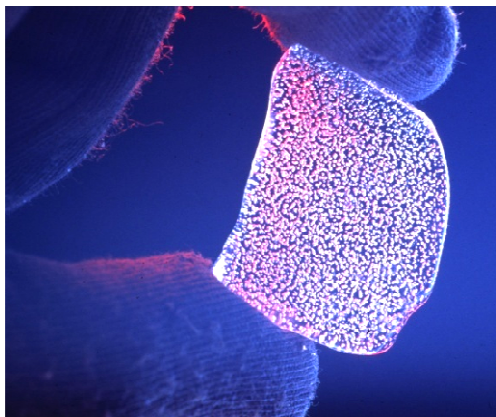
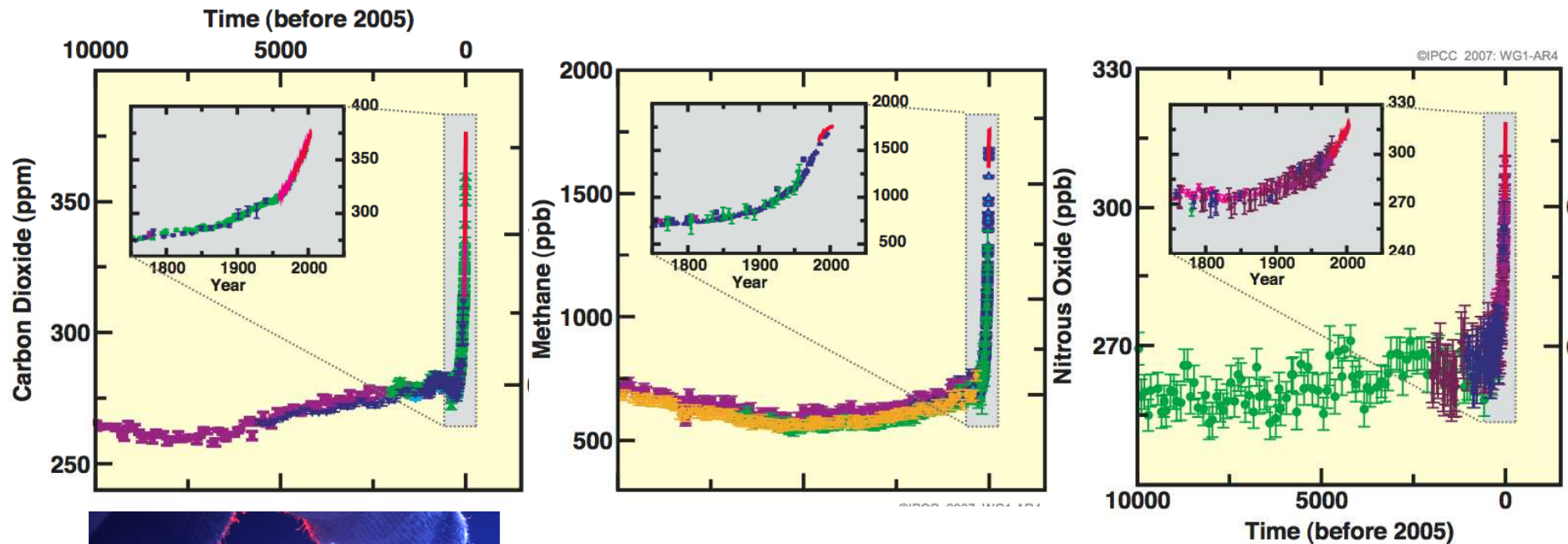


'Stretching' asymmetric vibration  $q_3$

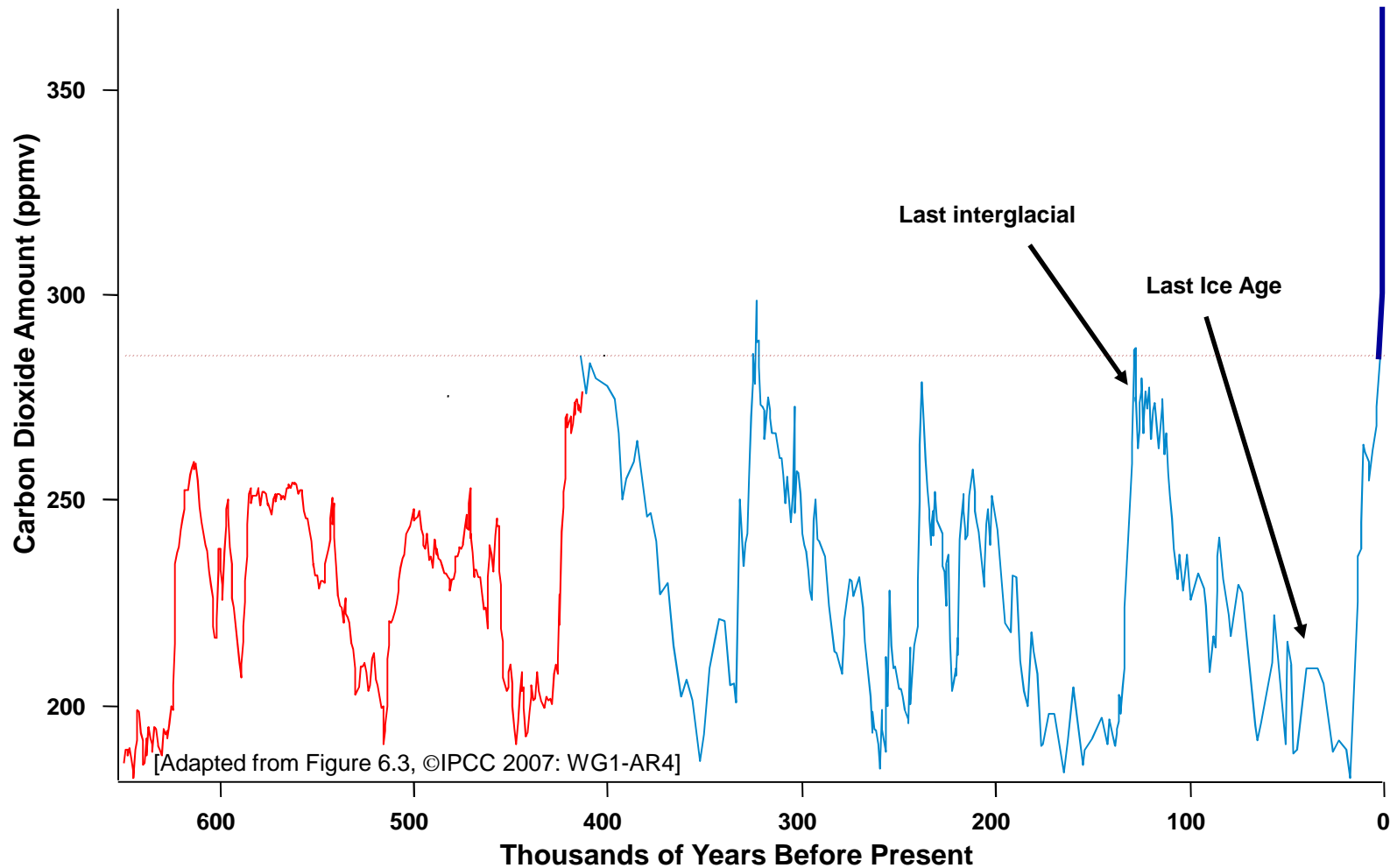


# Industrial revolution and the atmosphere

The current concentrations of greenhouse gases, and their rates of change, are unprecedented







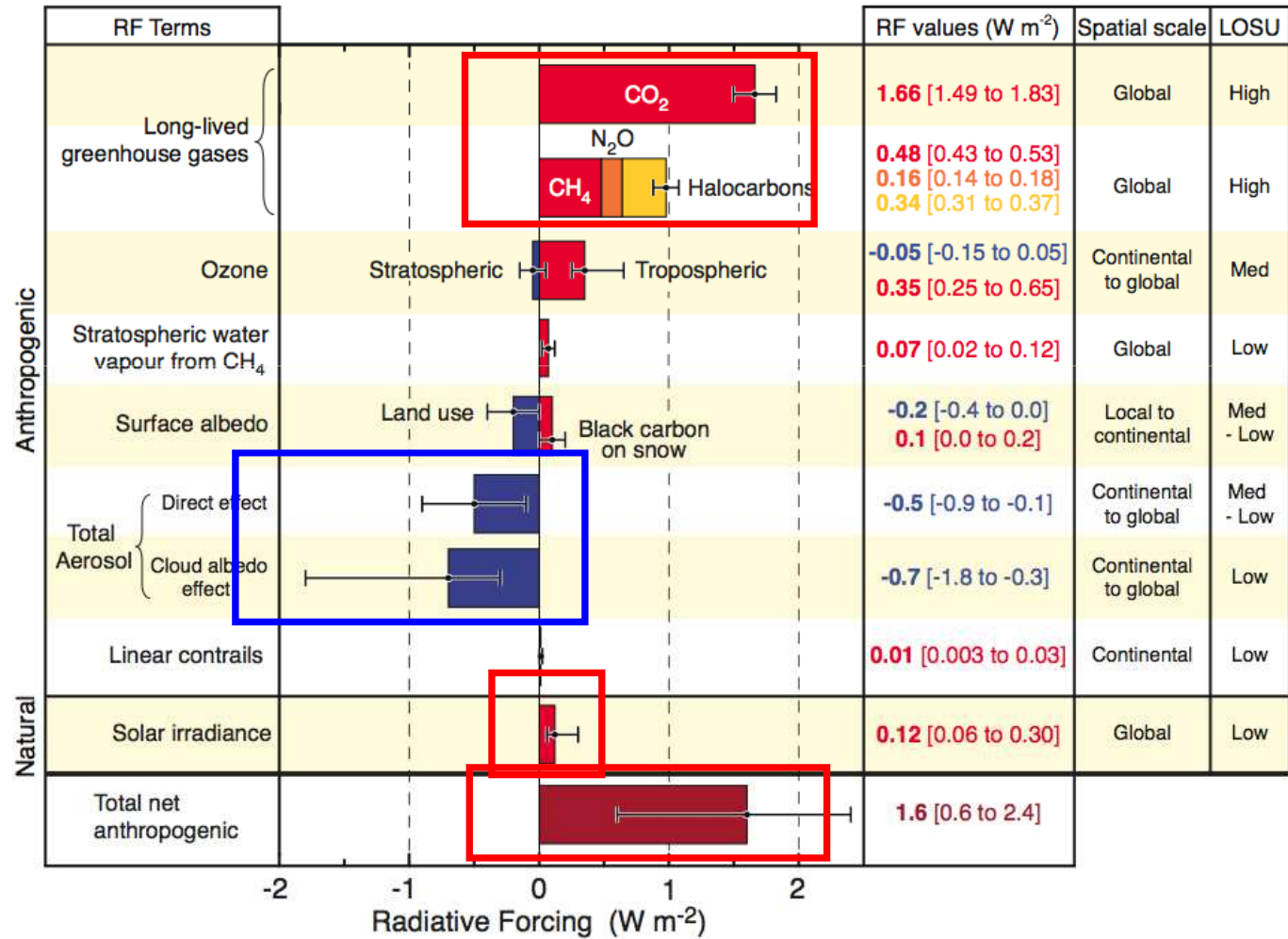
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Ice ages are not random. They are 'forced' (by earth's orbital clock.... changes in the sunlight received).

**Humans are 'forcing' the system in a new way. CO<sub>2</sub> increases due to fossil fuel burning are the dominant cause of global warming. CO<sub>2</sub> has not been this high in more than half a million years.**

# Human and Natural Drivers of Climate Change

## Radiative Forcing Components

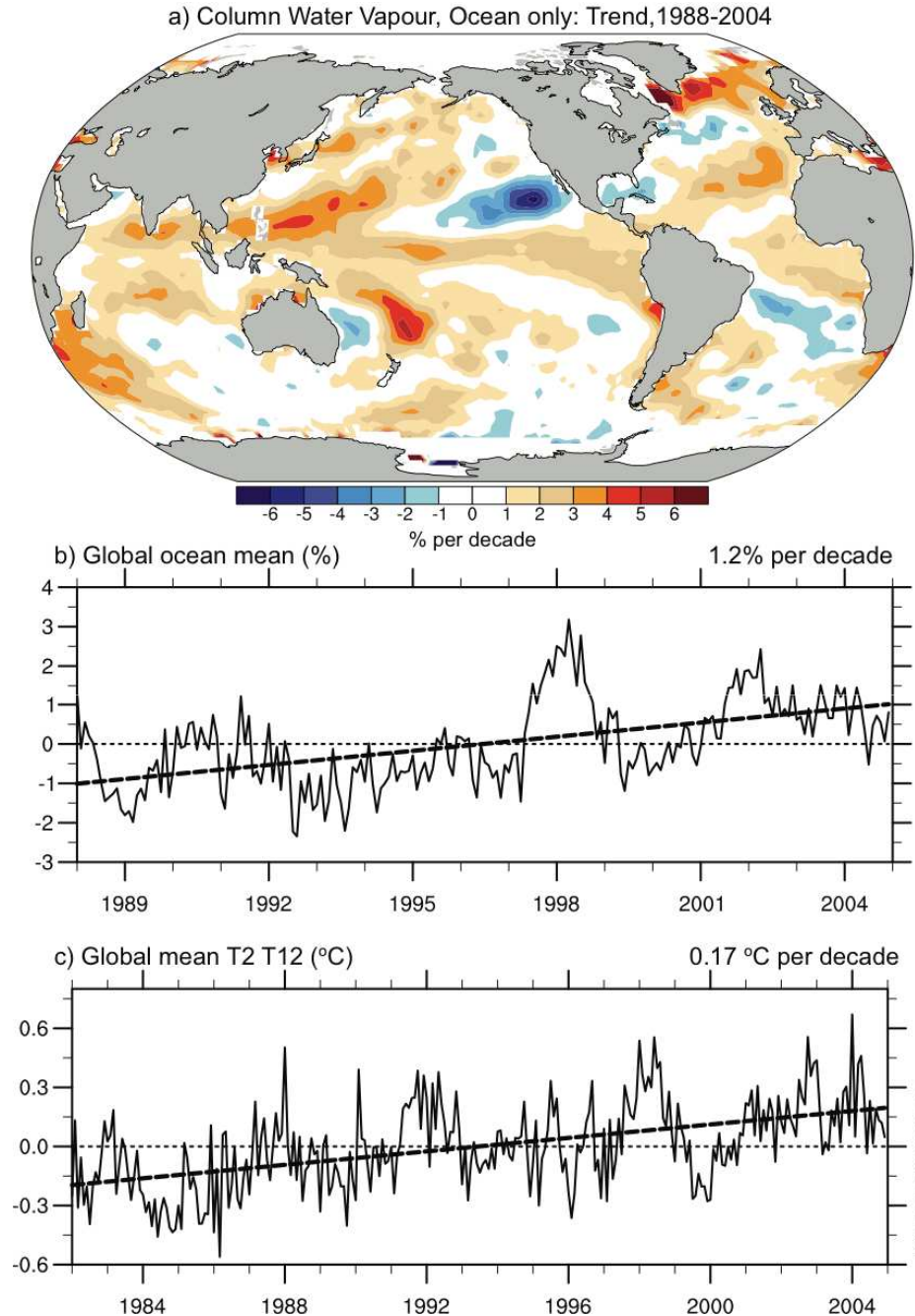


# Water Vapor Feedback

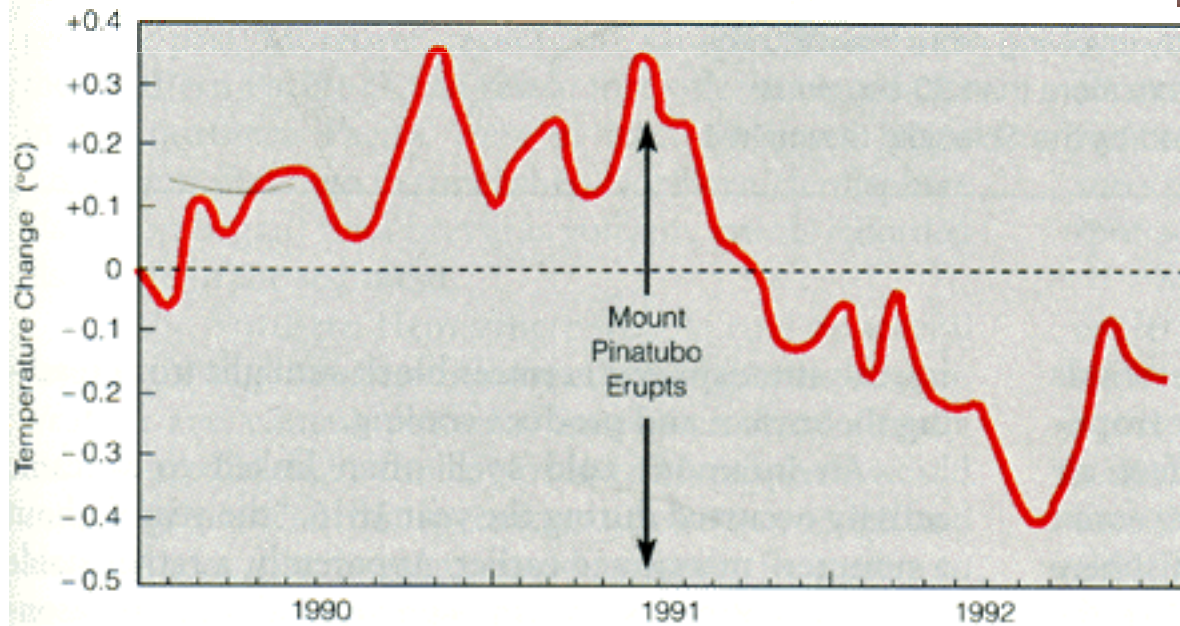
Water vapor responds to changes in climate, but it doesn't drive changes in climate. It's a major feedback that amplifies global climate change (by about 50%).....

New in IPCC (2007):

Observed trends that



# Explosive Volcanic Eruptions: Proof of Fast-Response Climate Change Due to Forcing

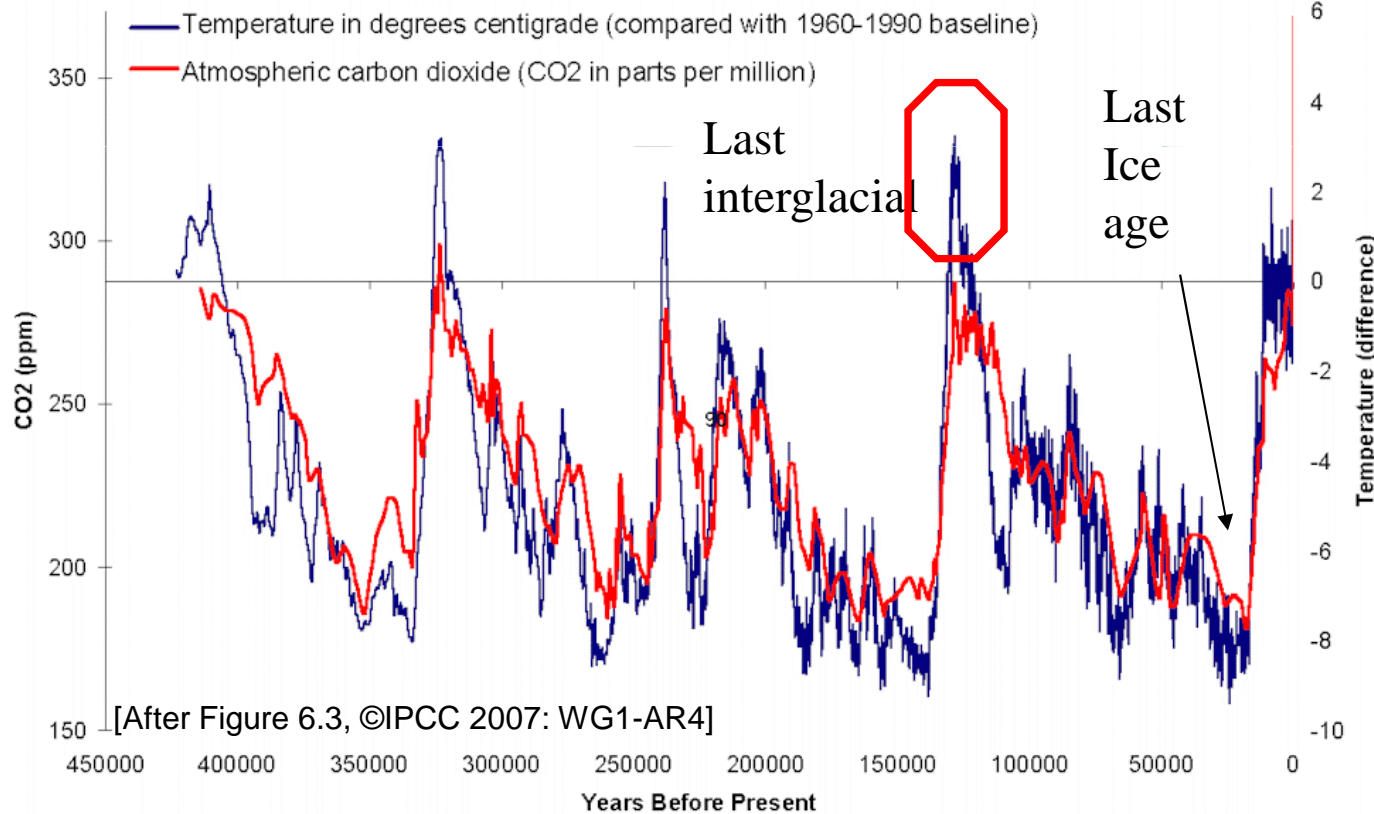


# Ice Age Forcing and Response

Milankovitch Cycles



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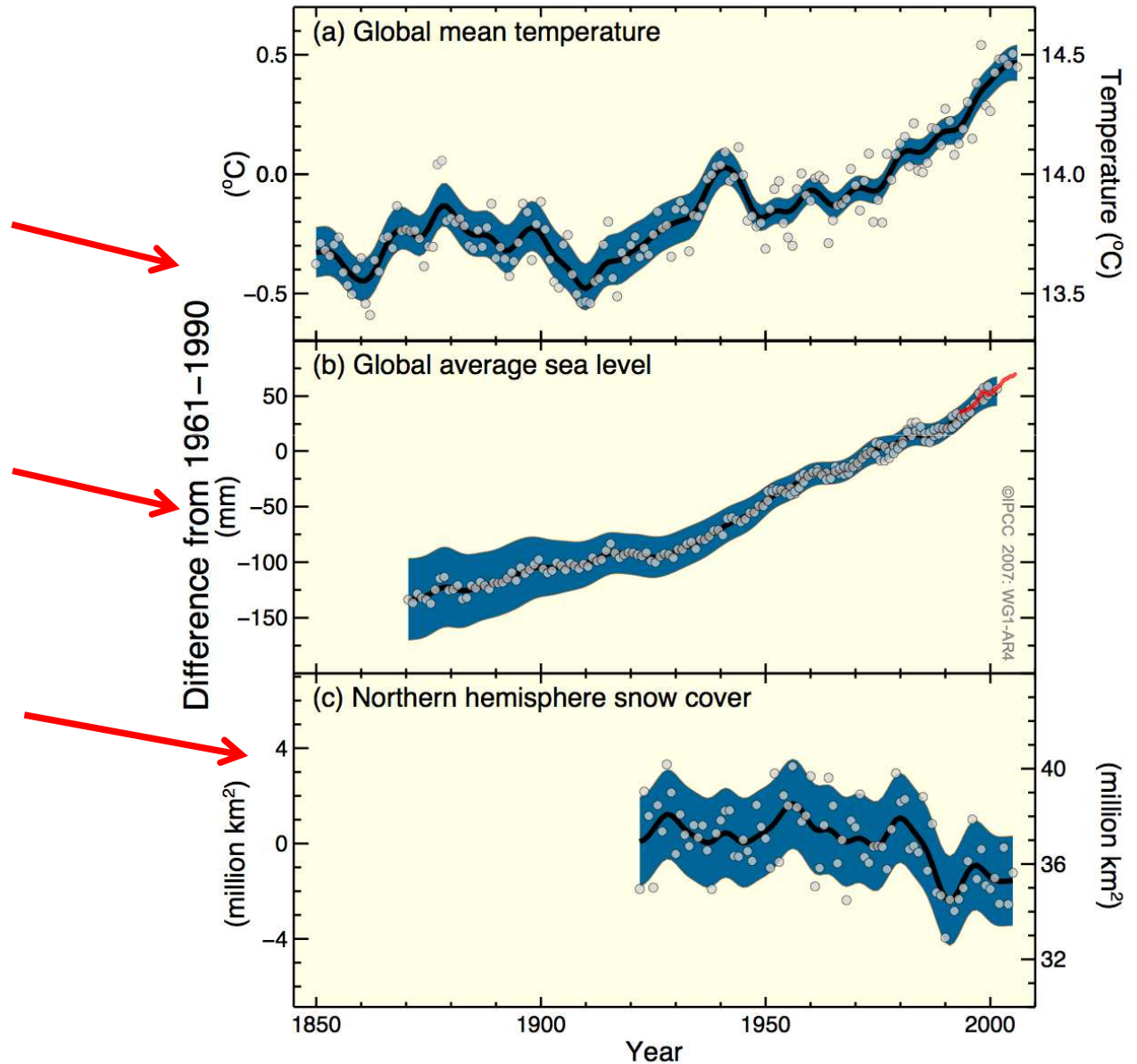




# Warming is Unequivocal

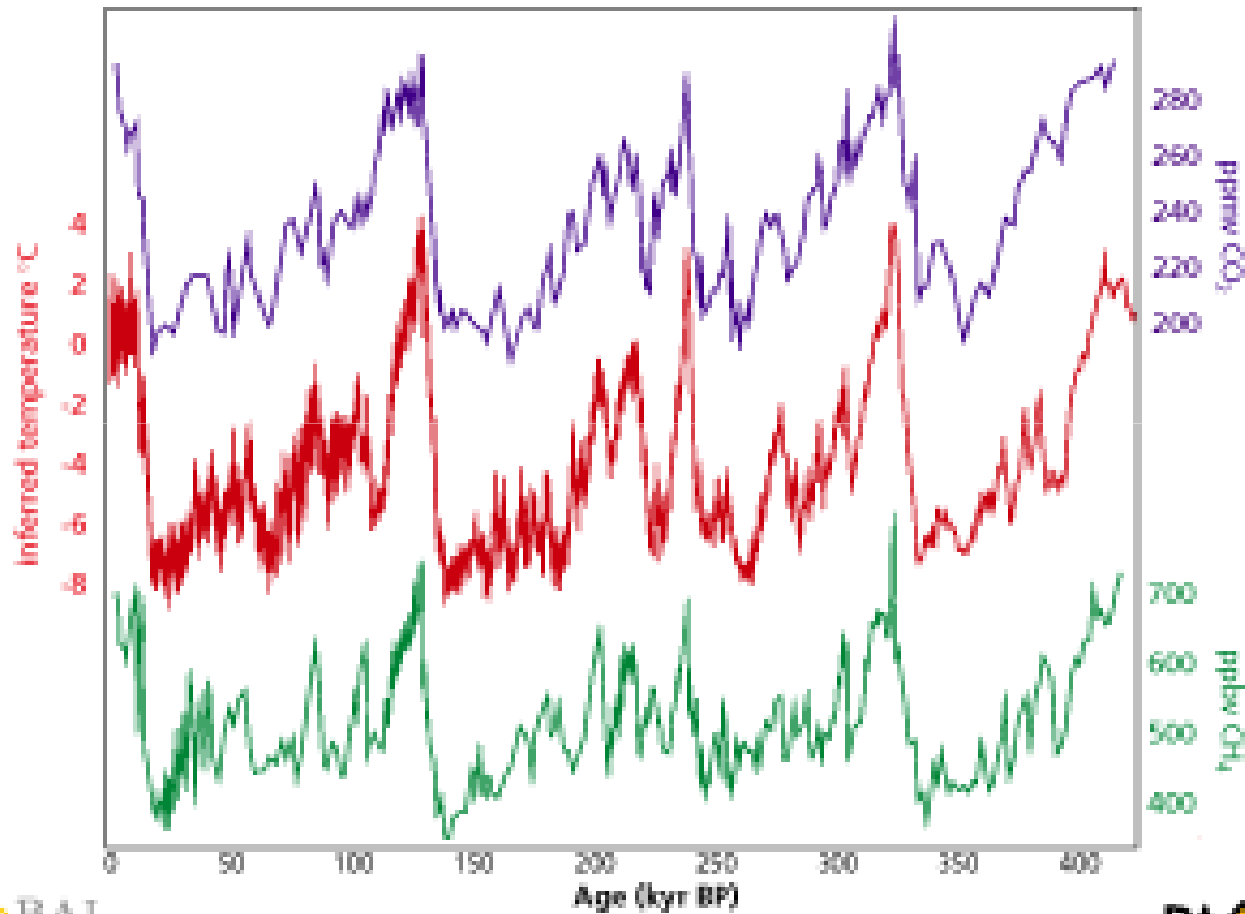
Rising atmospheric temperature

### Changes in Temperature, Sea Level and Northern Hemisphere Snow Cover



# Vostoc 4 glacials

4 glacial cycles recorded in the Vostok ice core



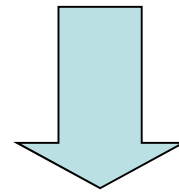
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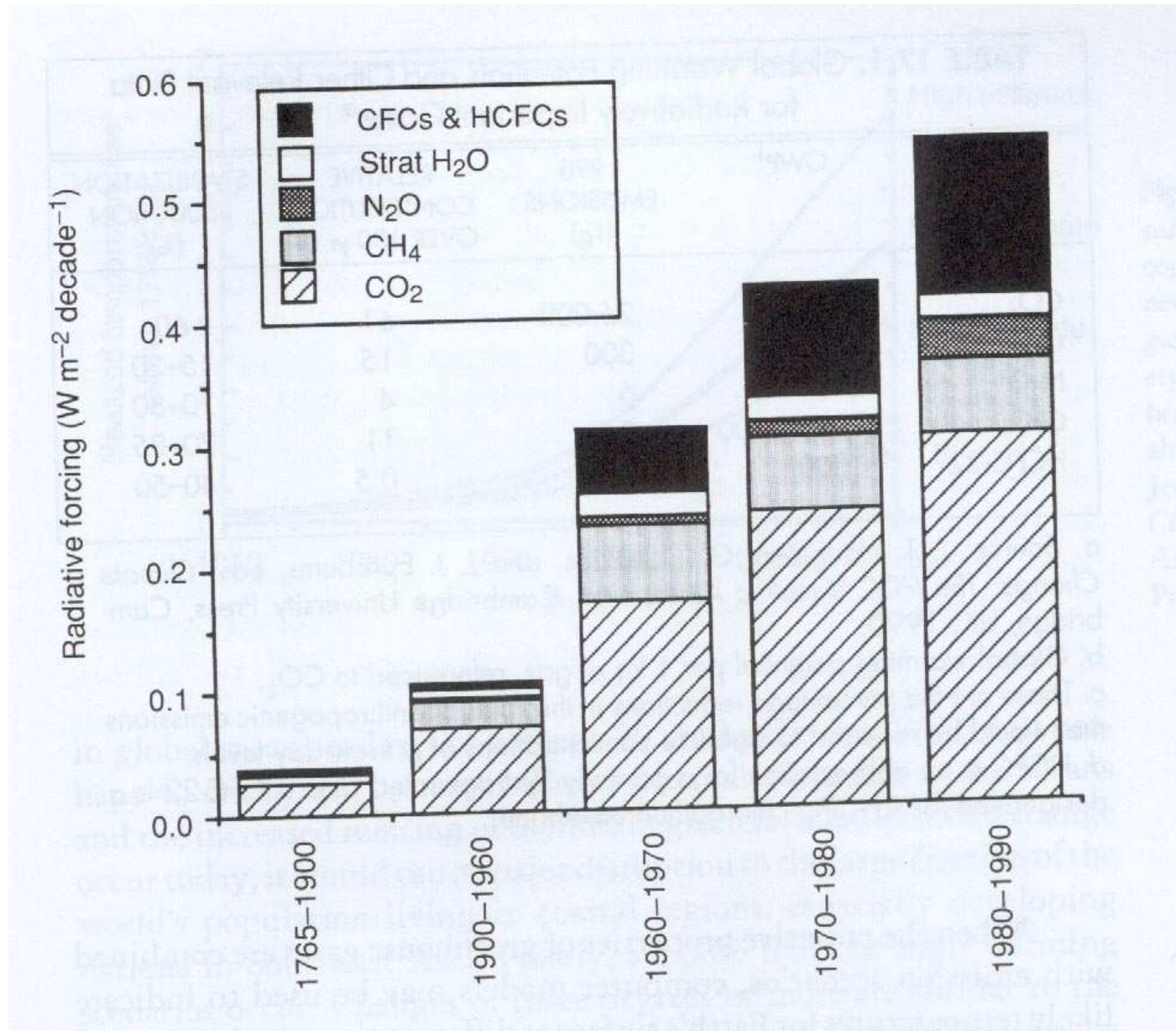


# Changes in atmospheric composition (4 greenhouse gases)



	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CFCs
Προβιομηχανικές συγκεντρώσεις (έτος ~1750)	280 ppmv	800 ppbv	280 ppbv	0
Συγκεντρώσεις (έτος 1988)	351 ppmv	1700 ppbv	310 ppbv	CFC11: 0,26 ppbv CFC12: 0,44 ppbv
Σύγχρονη αύξηση (1980 - 1988) ανά χρόνο	0,48%	17 ppbv	0,3% - 0,4%	CFC11: 0,05 ppbv CFC12: 0,05 ppbv

## Radiative forcing induced by greenhouse gases



# % contribution of greenhouse gases (GHG) to radiative forcing

	1975-1990	1980-1990
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	61%	50%
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	15%	10%
<b>CFCs</b>	12%	16%
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O + NO<sub>x</sub></b>	9%	14%

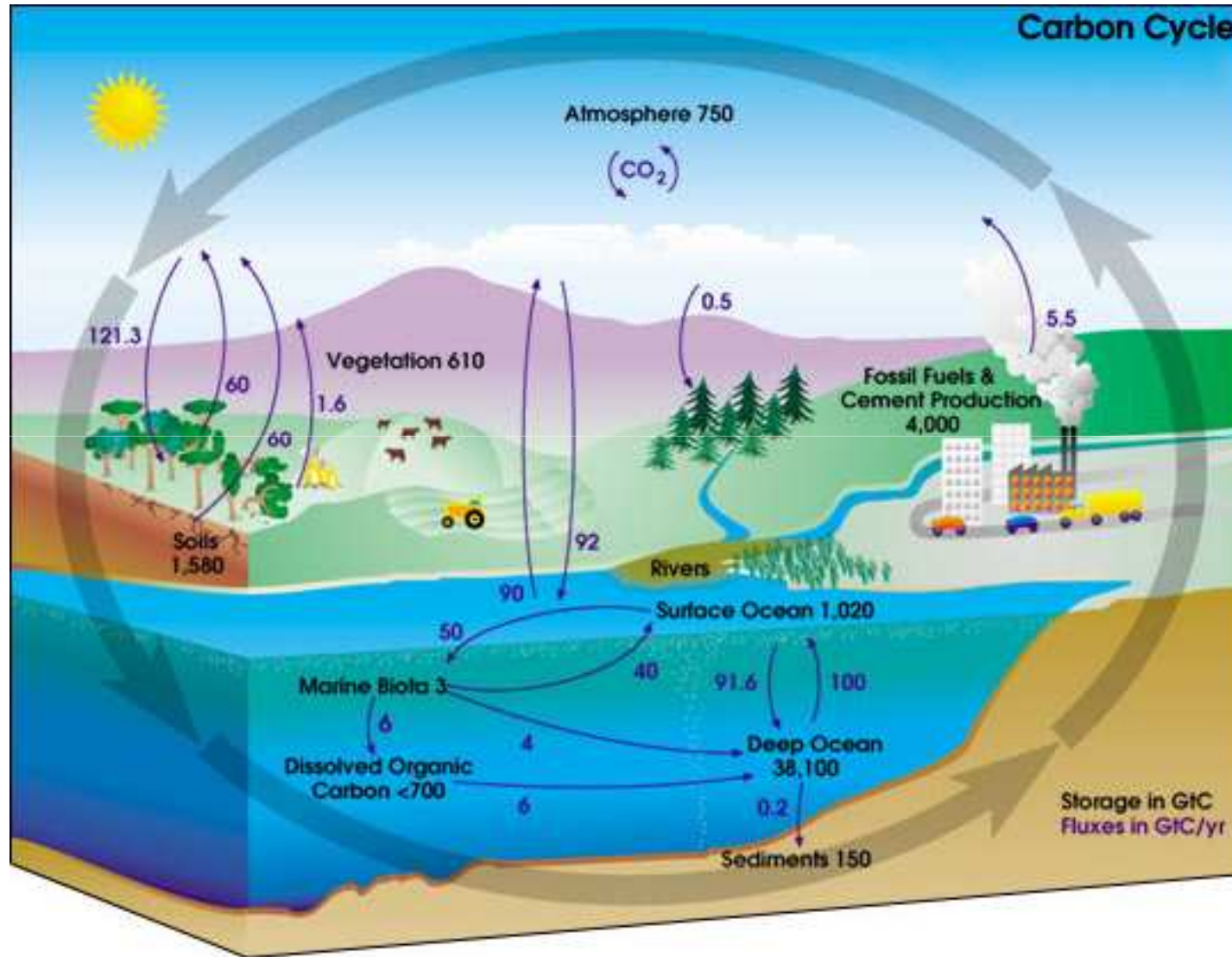
**Contribution of each GHG is not equal :**

$$\text{CO}_2 = f(\log C)$$

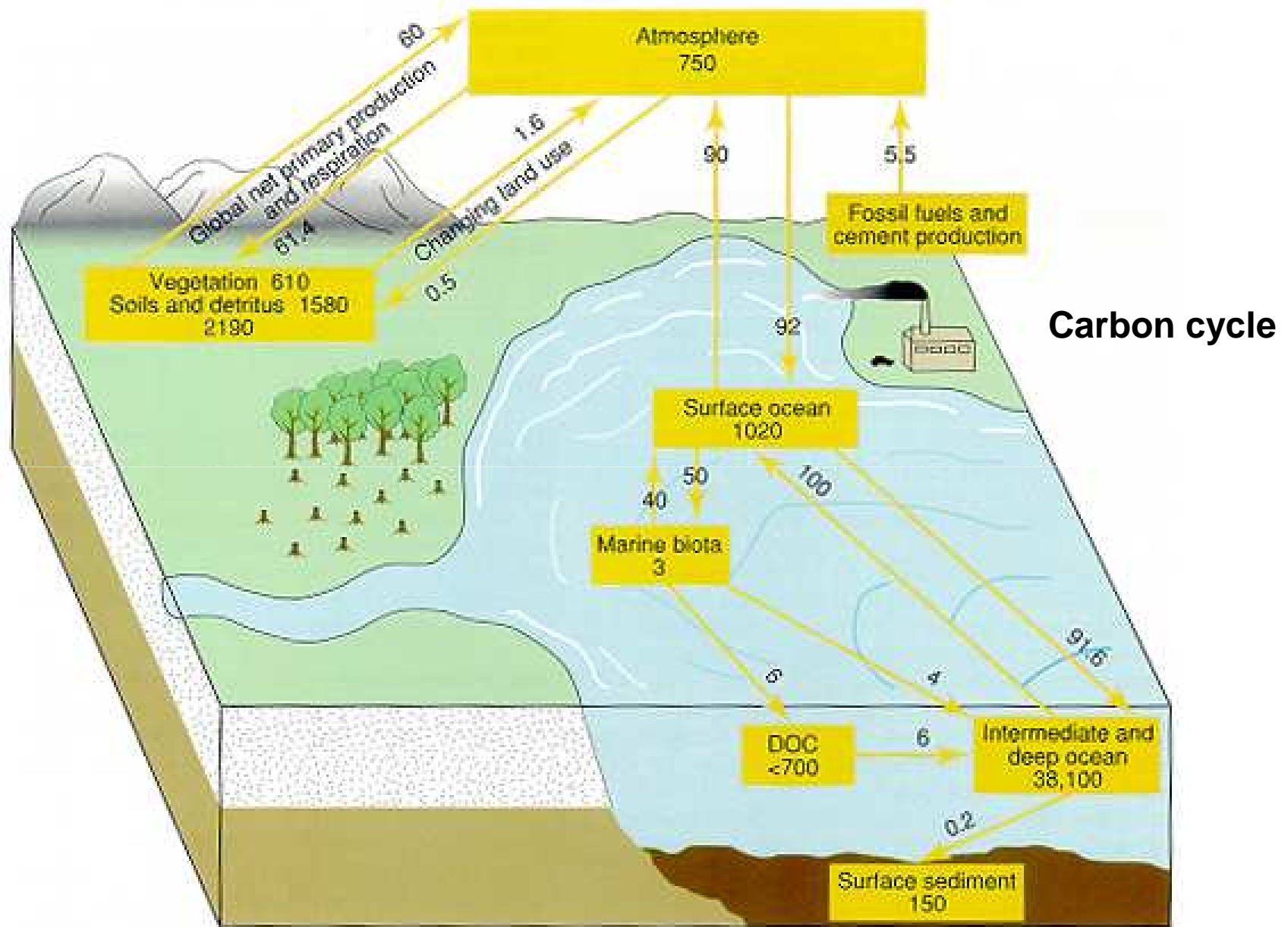
$$\text{CH}_4, \text{N}_2\text{O} = f(\sqrt{C})$$

$$\text{CFCs} = k.c.$$

# Carbon cycle



## CO<sub>2</sub> budget in the environment (Gt-C = 10<sup>15</sup> gC)

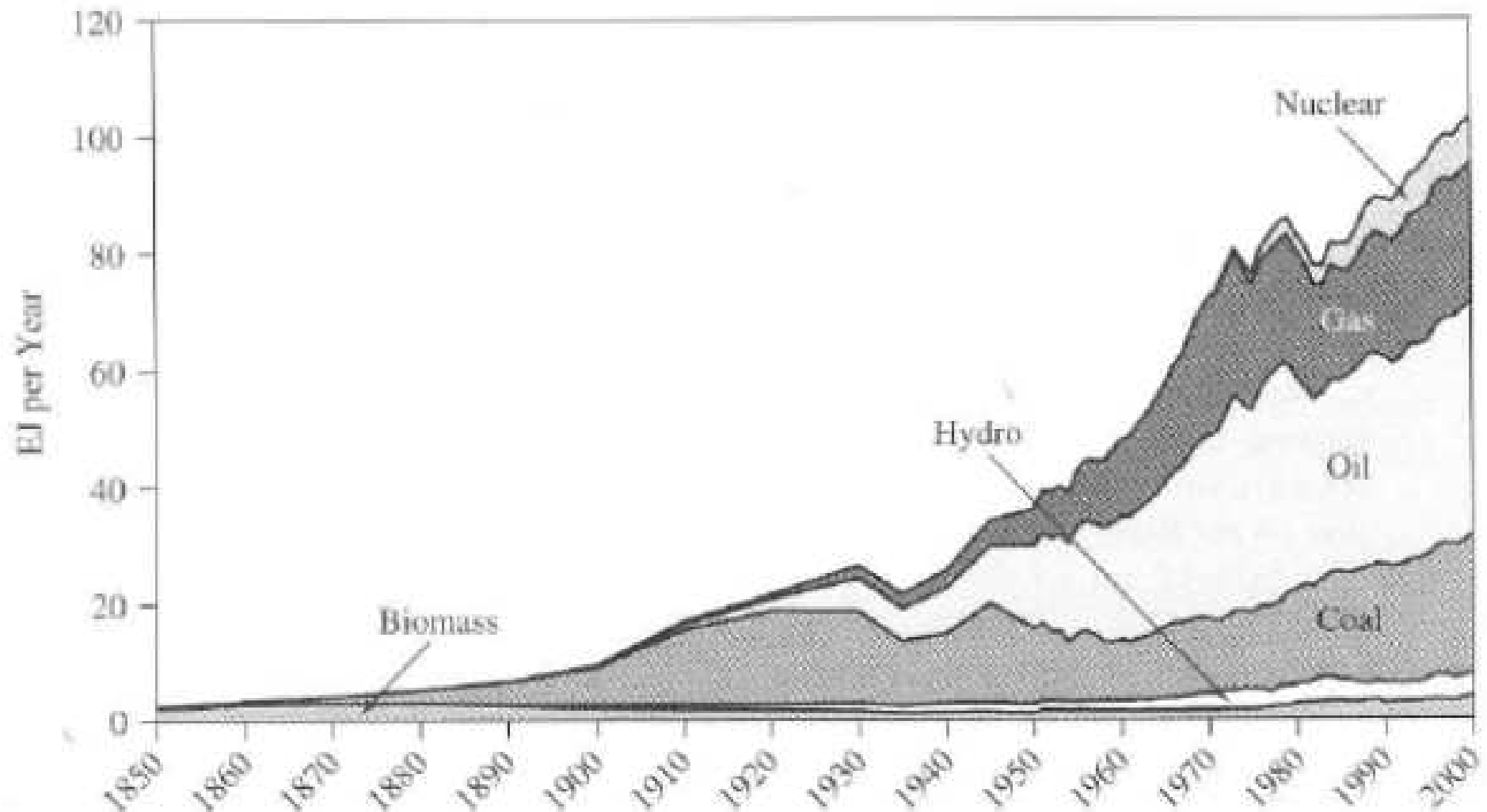


**Figure 4.** The global carbon cycle. The numbers in boxes indicate the size in GtC of each reservoir. On each arrow is indicated the magnitude of the flux in GtC/yr. (DOC = dissolved organic carbon).

**Table 1.** Carbon pools in the major reservoirs on Earth.

Pools	Quantity (Gt)
Atmosphere	720
Oceans	38,400
Total inorganic	37,400
Surface layer	670
Deep layer	36,730
Total organic	1,000
Lithosphere	
Sedimentary carbonates	>60,000,000
Kerogens	15,000,000
Terrestrial biosphere (total)	2,000
Living biomass	600–1,000
Dead biomass	1,200
Aquatic biosphere	1–2
Fossil fuels	4,130
Coal	3,510
Oil	230
Gas	140
Other (peat)	250

# Energy consumption in US 1850-2000

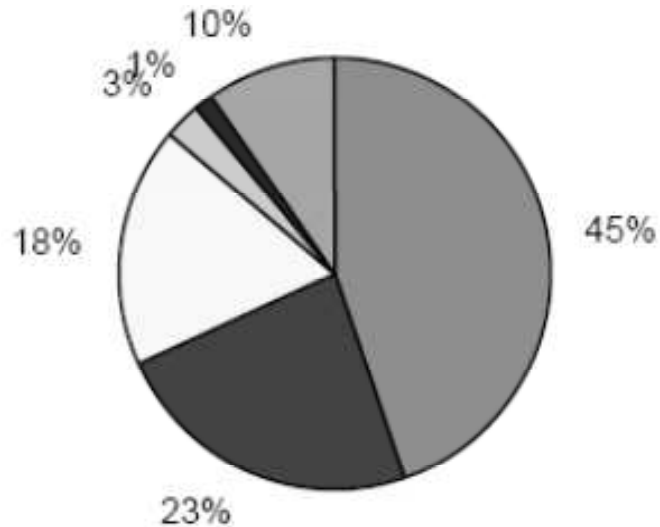


**Figure 1.5** Historical trends in U.S. energy consumption, 1850–2000. *Source:* Energy Information Agency, U.S. Department of Energy, *Annual Energy Outlook 2000*, energy consumption by source, Washington, DC.

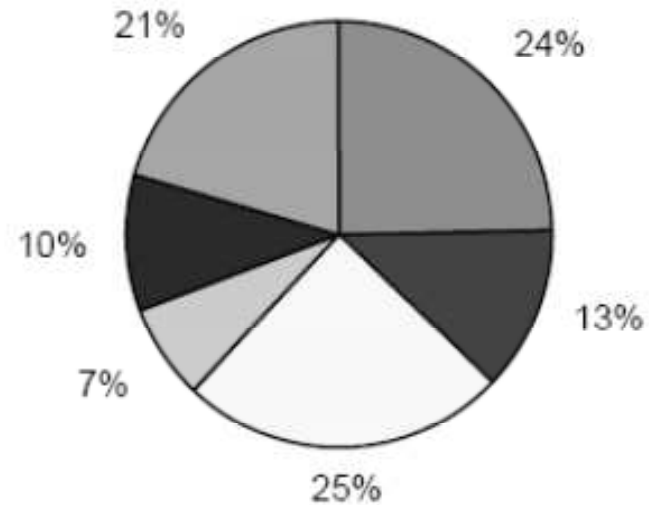


# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

**1950 (1,6 Gt)**



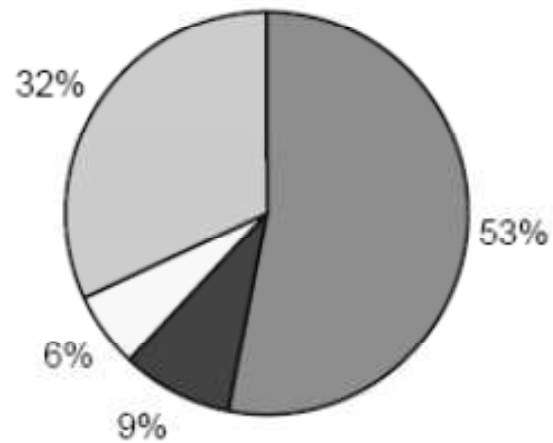
**1987 (6,1 Gt)**



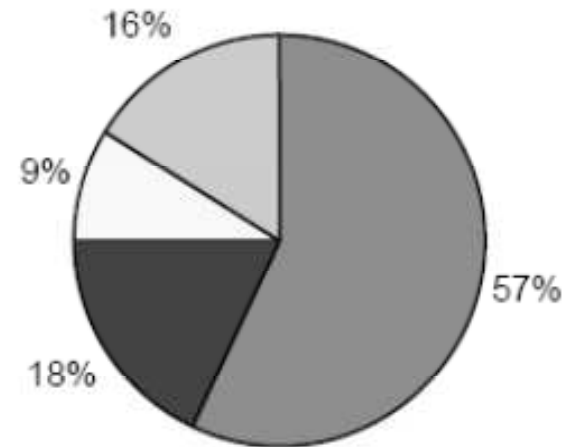
	1950	1987
<b>Β. ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗ</b>	44,7%	24,8%
<b>Δ. ΕΥΡΩΠΗ</b>	23,4%	12,5%
<b>Α. ΕΥΡΩΠΗ</b>	18%	24,7%
<b>ΙΑΠΩΝΙΑ + ΑΥΣΤΡΑΛΙΑ</b>	2,8%	7,2%
<b>ΚΙΝΑ</b>	1,4%	10,3%
<b>ΧΩΡΕΣ ΥΠΟ ΑΝΑΠΤΥΞΗ</b>	9,7%	20,5%

## Κατανομή του πληθυσμού της γης

1950 (2.6 δισ.)

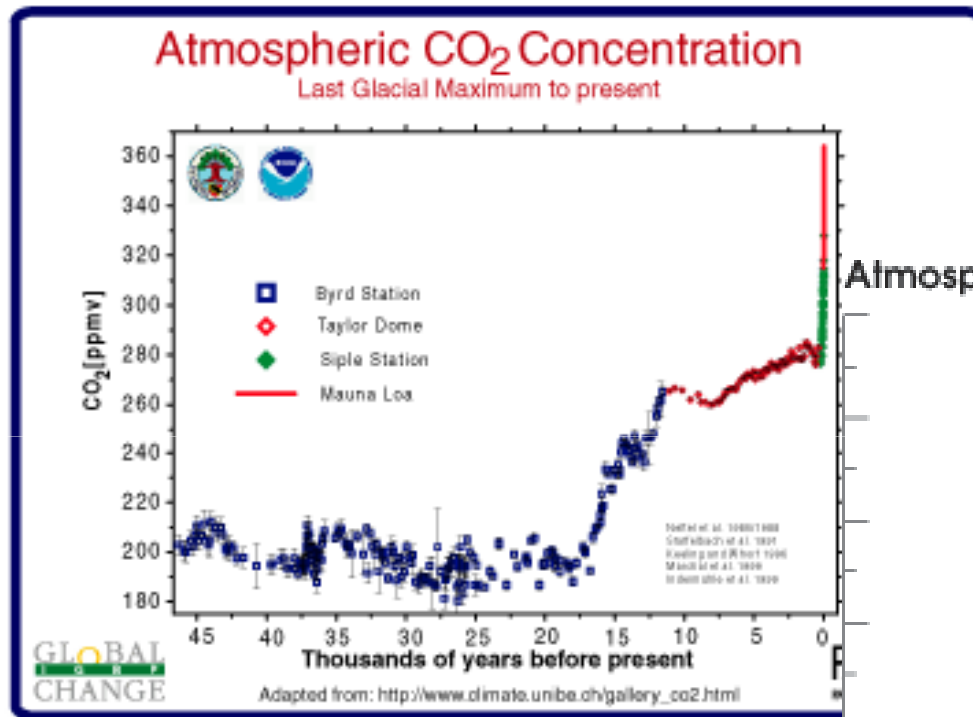


2025 (8.6 δισ.)



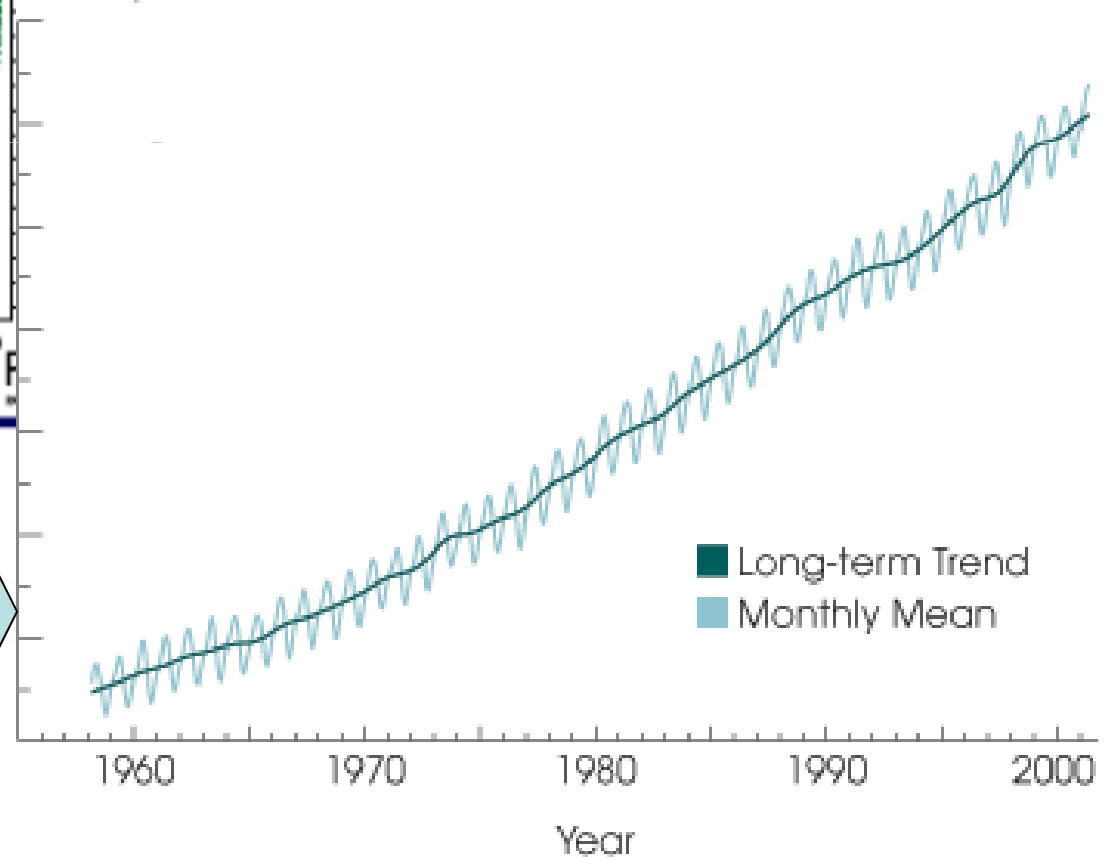
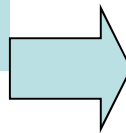
	1950	2025
<b>ΑΣΙΑ</b>	53%	57%
<b>ΑΦΡΙΚΗ</b>	9%	18%
<b>Ν. ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗ</b>	6%	9%
<b>ΑΝΕΠΤ. ΧΩΡΕΣ</b>	32%	16%

# Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> trends



Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide Concentration

Seasonal variability



Carbon dioxide is exchanged between atmosphere, oceans and terrestrial Biosphere and in geological time scales between sediments and rocks

- $CO_2$  exchange between atmosphere/oceans
- $CO_2$  exchange between surface waters and long term storage in the deep ocean
- $CO_2$  emissions or sinks from land-use change
- Plant photosynthesis and  $CO_2$  transport to soil

## *Sources and sinks of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> in GTC/yr (IPCC 94)*

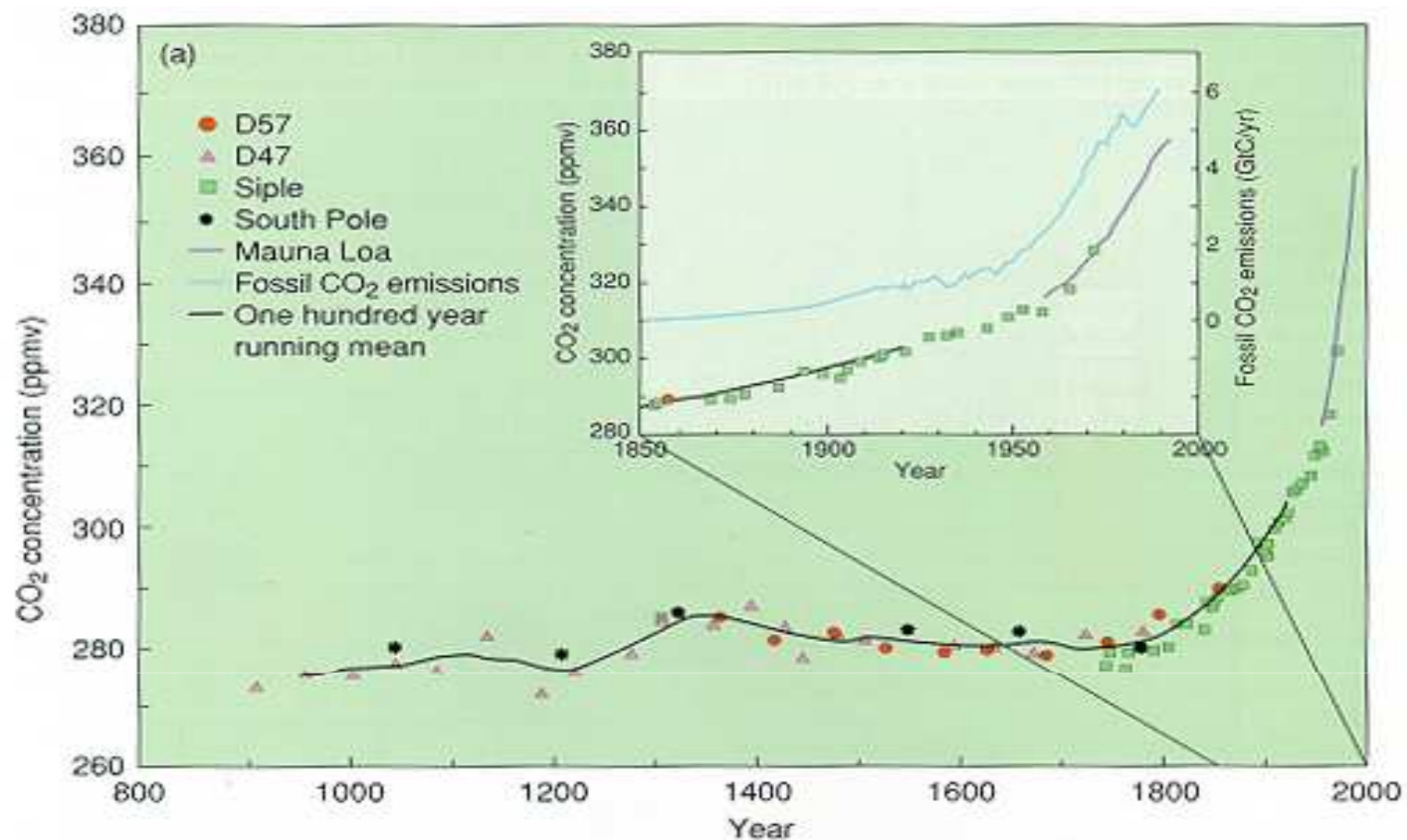
### **Sources CO<sub>2</sub>**

Fossil fuel and cement production :	5.5 (0.5)
Land use change in tropical areas :	1.6 (1.0)
<b>Total human driven sources:</b>	<b>7.1 (1.5)</b>

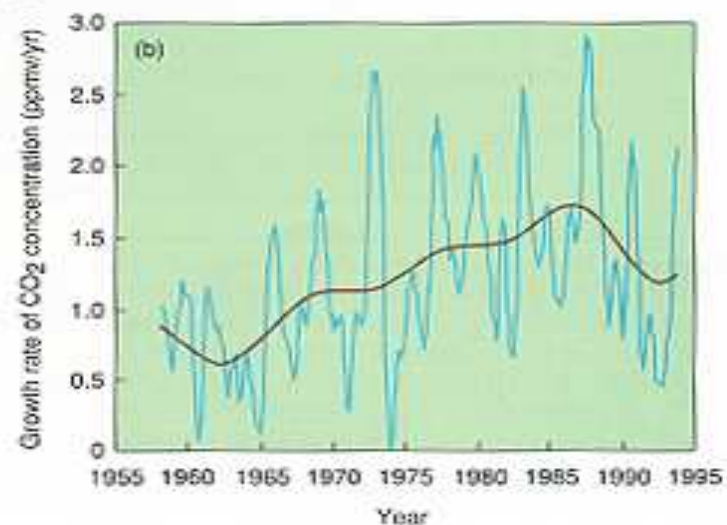
### **Carbon storage**

Atmosphere (Increase in CO <sub>2</sub> levels) :	3.2 (0.2)
Oceanic storage:	2.0 (0.8)
Land use change (Northern-hemisphere) :	0.5 (0.5)
<b>Total storage</b>	<b>5.7 (1.5)</b>

Deficit in budget: **Land based/continental sinks** 1.4 (1.5)



**Figure 2.** (a) CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations over the past 1000 years from ice-core records (D47, D57, Siple and South Pole) and (since 1958) from the Mauna Loa, Hawaii measurement site. The smooth curve is based on a hundred year running mean. The rapid increase in CO<sub>2</sub> concentration since the onset of industrialisation is evident and has followed closely the increase in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fossil fuels (see inset of period from 1850 onwards). (b) Growth rate of CO<sub>2</sub> concentration since 1958 in ppmv/yr at the Mauna Loa station showing the high growth rates of the late 1980s, the decrease in growth rates of the early 1990s, and the recent increase. The smooth curve shows the same data but filtered to suppress any variations on time-scales less than approximately 10 years.



**CO<sub>2</sub> fertilisation** : Increase of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere (2CO<sub>2</sub>) result in +20-40% increase of photosynthesis

**Nitrogen fertilization**: Increase in N application results in increase of C storage

**Climatic effects**: photosynthesis and respiration can be influenced by natural climate variability

**Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> variability depends on:**

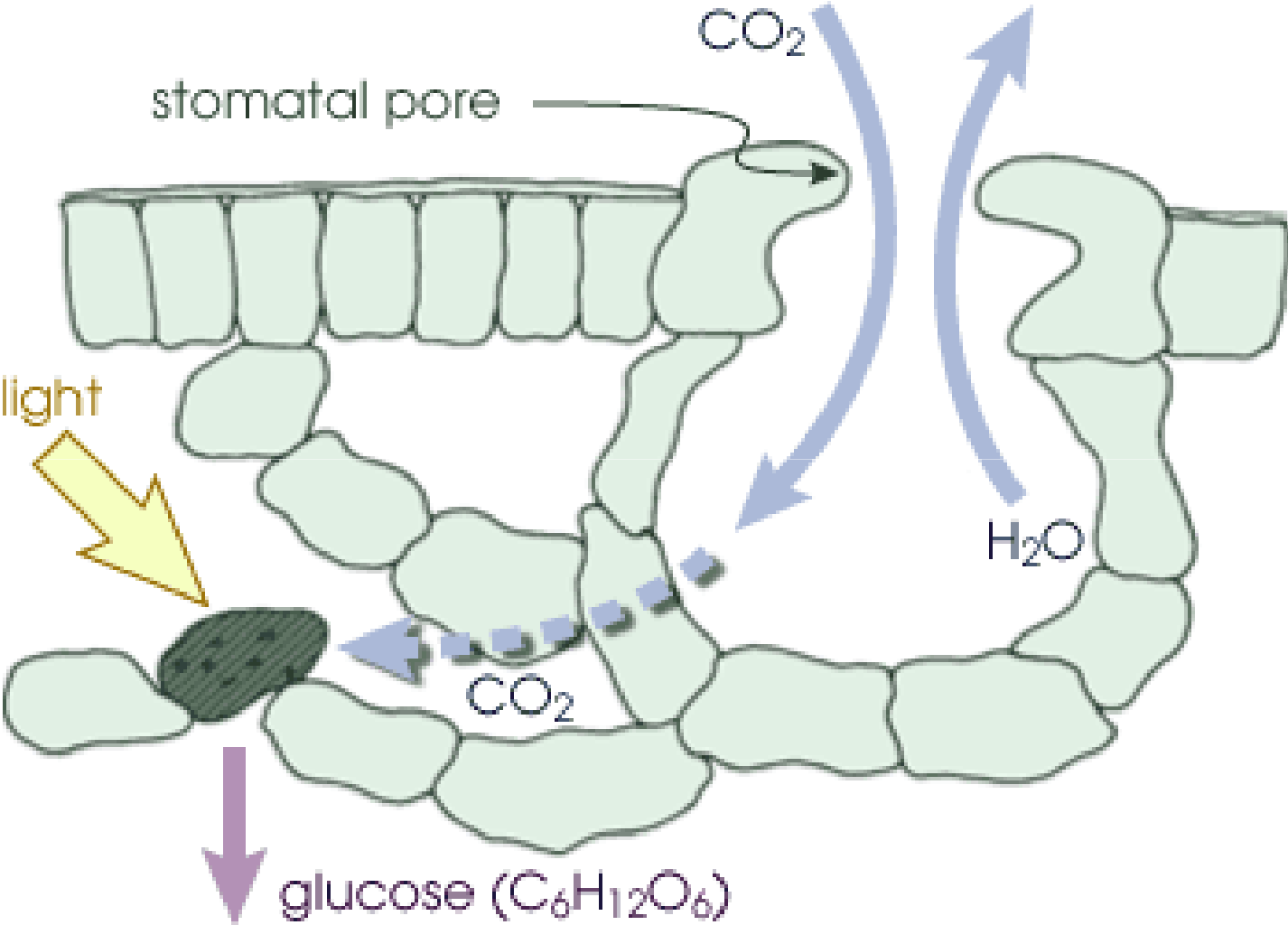
- Human activities
- Biogeochemical cycles
- Climatic effects
- Feedbacks of C cycle



## CO<sub>2</sub> regulation (temporary scale)

- Oceans (1000 yr)
  - Oceans capacity is limited and depend on cations availability from rocks erosion
  - Rate of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is much higher compared to cations availability, thus saturation of oceans in CO<sub>2</sub> absorption is expected.
- Plants (9 yr)

# photosynthesis

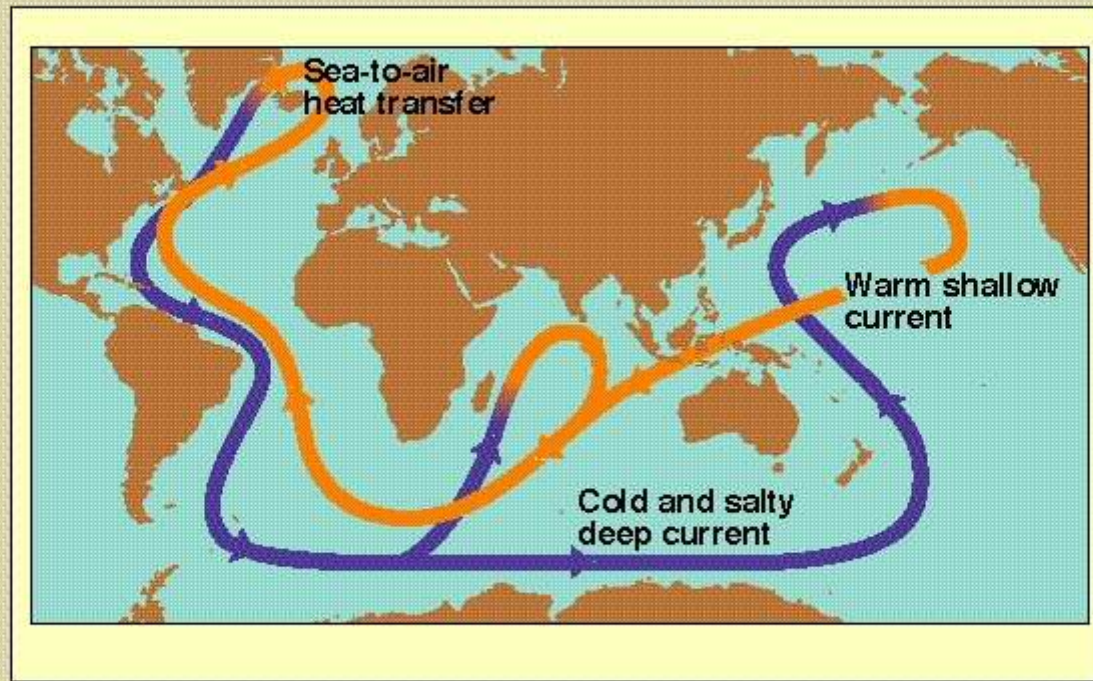


Factors controlling C level in seawater :

- ✓ Αντλία διαλυτότητας (solubility pump)
- ✓ Βιολογική αντλίας (biological pump)

- **Solubility pump:  $CO_2$  more soluble in cold/saline waters**
- Increase in atmospheric  $CO_2$  results in global warming  
→ water column stratification → decrease of  $CO_2$  transport to deep waters
- **Biological pump: Photosynthesis of phytoplankton** →  
→ 150-200 ppmv lower atmospheric  $CO_2$

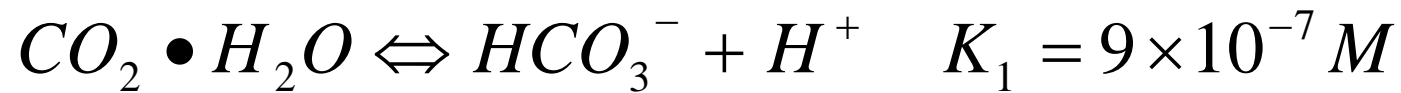
## The Oceanic "Conveyor Belt"



## Carbonate chemistry in the ocean

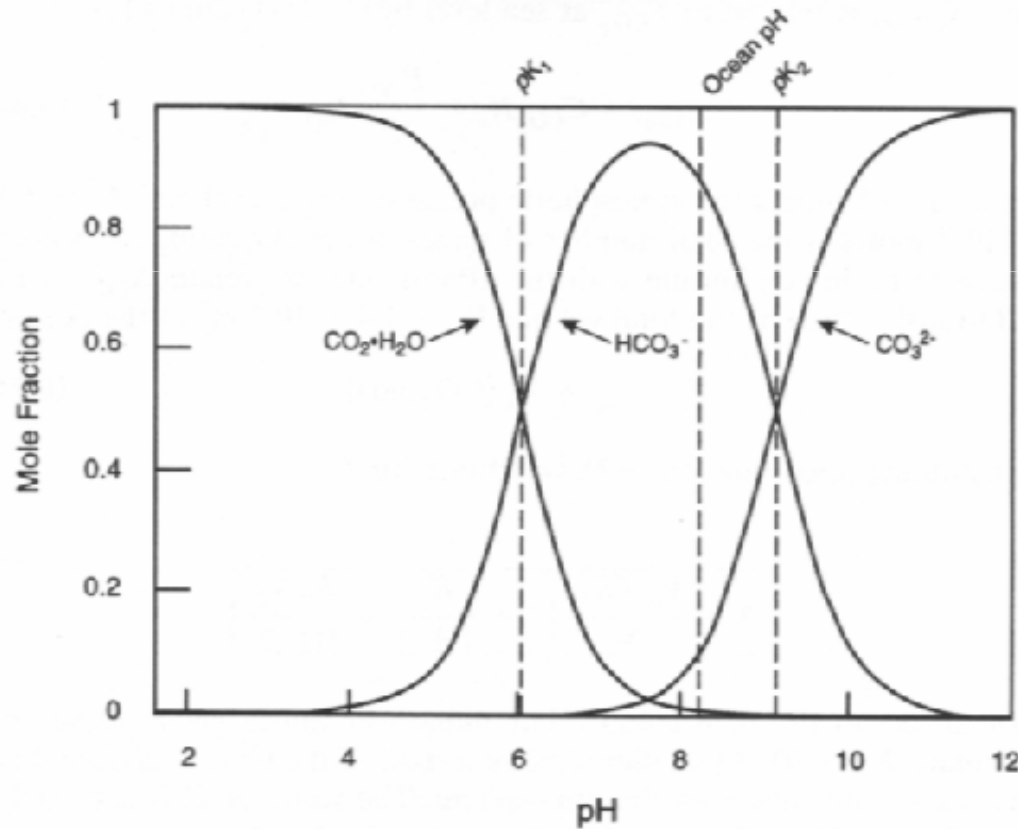
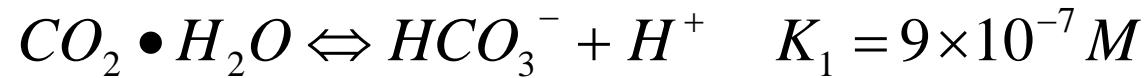
### Average Ocean pH:

- (1) The surface ocean is saturated with respect to  $\text{CaCO}_3$ ;
  - (2) Observed seawater  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration is 0.01 M;
  - (3) The present-day atmospheric  $\text{CO}_2$  concentration is 365 ppmv.
- Relevant chemical equilibria:



→ Calculate the pH of the surface ocean.

## Speciation of total dissolved $\text{CO}_2$ (aq) in water



Most of  $\text{CO}_2$  dissolved in the ocean is in the form of bicarbonate ( $\text{HCO}_3^-$ ).

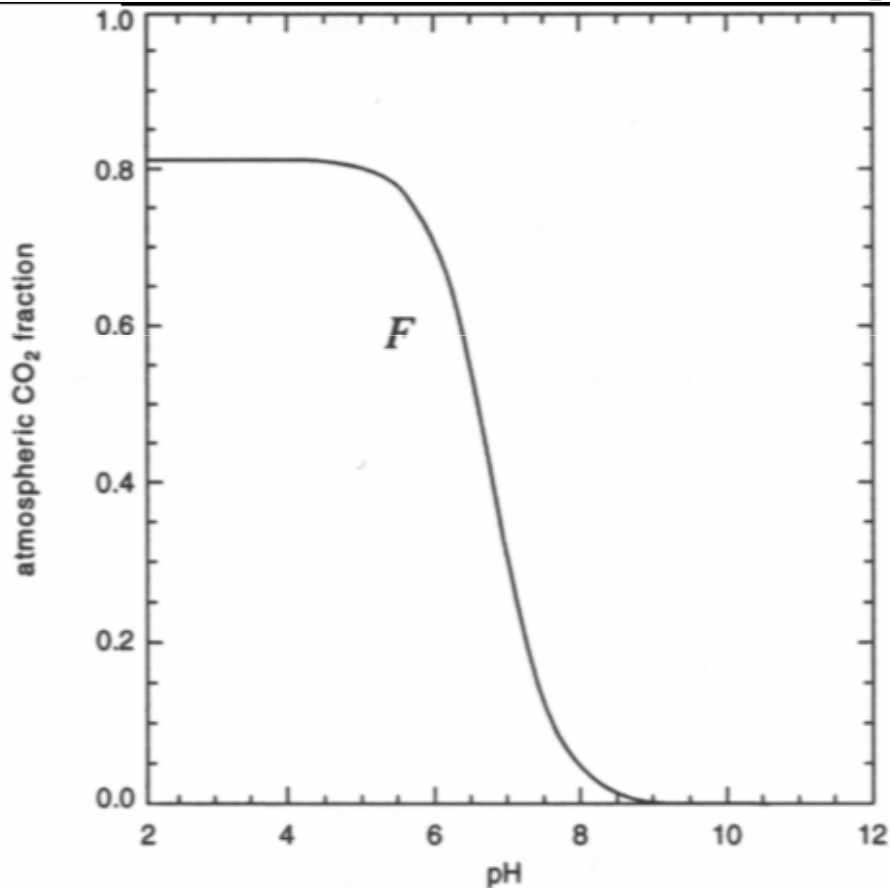
Fig. 6-7 Speciation of total carbonate  $\text{CO}_2(\text{aq})$  in seawater versus pH.

## Partitioning of $CO_2$ between atmosphere and ocean

$$F = \frac{N_{CO_2(g)}}{N_{CO_2(g)} + N_{CO_2(aq)}} \quad N_{CO_2(g)} = C_{CO_2} N_a = \frac{P_{CO_2}}{P} N_a$$

$$[CO_2(aq)] = [CO_2 \cdot H_2O] + [HCO_3^-] + [CO_3^{2-}]$$

$$= K_H P_{CO_2} \left( 1 + \frac{K_1}{[H^+]} + \frac{K_1 K_2}{[H^+]^2} \right)$$



**Fig. 6-8** pH dependence of the atmospheric fraction  $F$  of  $CO_2$  at equilibrium in the atmosphere-ocean system (equation (6.8)).

For an ocean pH of 8.2,  
 $F=0.03$ .

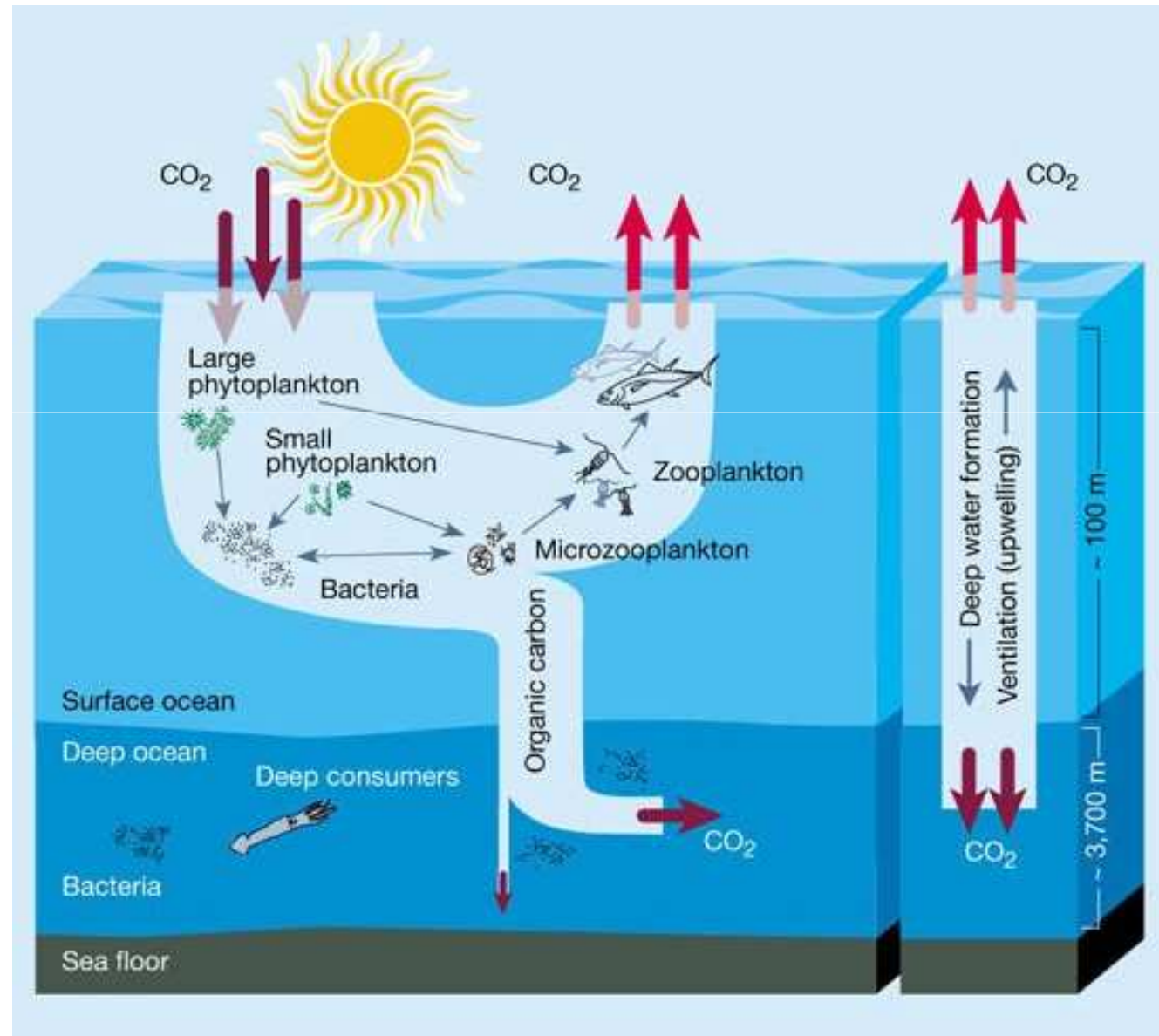
Almost all of the  $CO_2$  is dissolved in the ocean; only 3% in the atmosphere.

$F$  is sensitive to pH.



## Uptake of $\text{CO}_2$ by the ocean: biological pump

- 90%  $\rightarrow \text{CO}_2$  (aq)
- 10% deposition via dead plankton
- Brings 7 PgC/yr towards the deep ocean compared to the 40 PgC/yr due to deep water formation



# Uptake of CO<sub>2</sub> by the terrestrial biosphere

Processes in the cycling of CO<sub>2</sub> between the atmosphere and the biosphere:

- Photosynthesis
- Respiration
- Microbial decay

**Net primary productivity (NPP): the yearly average rate of photosynthesis minus the rate of respiration by all plants in an ecosystem.**

**NPP can be determined by:**

- Long-term measurement of the CO<sub>2</sub> flux to the ecosystem from a tower.
- Monitoring the growth of vegetation in a selected plot.

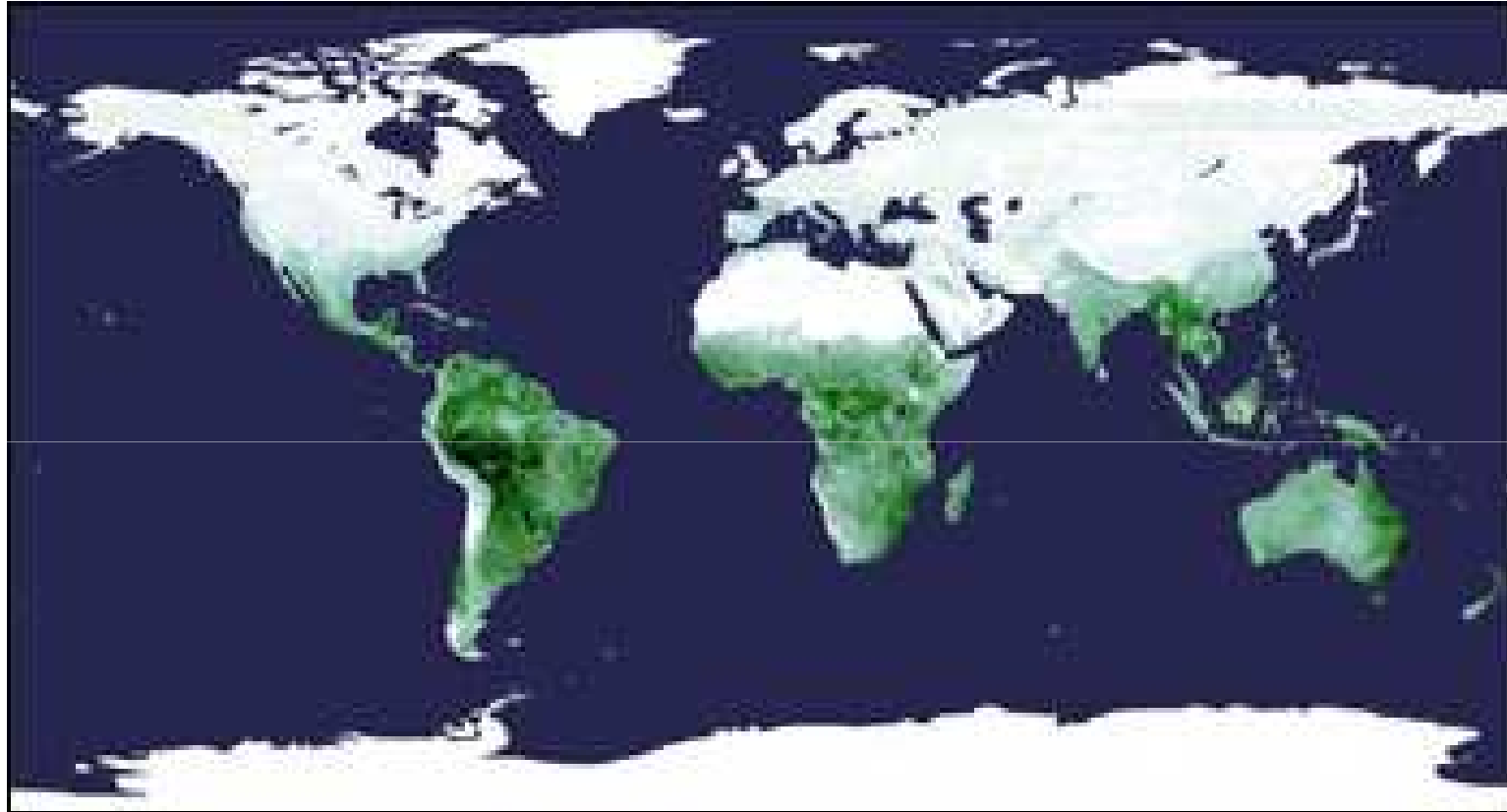
NPP of an ecosystem depends on:

- Ecosystem type
- Solar radiation
- Temperature
- Water availability

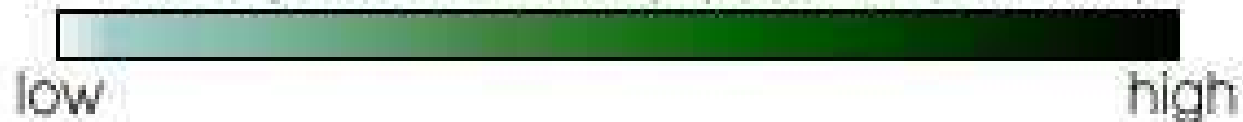
**The global terrestrial NPP is ~ 60 Pg C/yr.**

**The lifetime of CO<sub>2</sub> against net uptake by terrestrial plants is: 9 yr.** (Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> responds, on a time scale of a decade, to changes in NPP or in decay rates.)

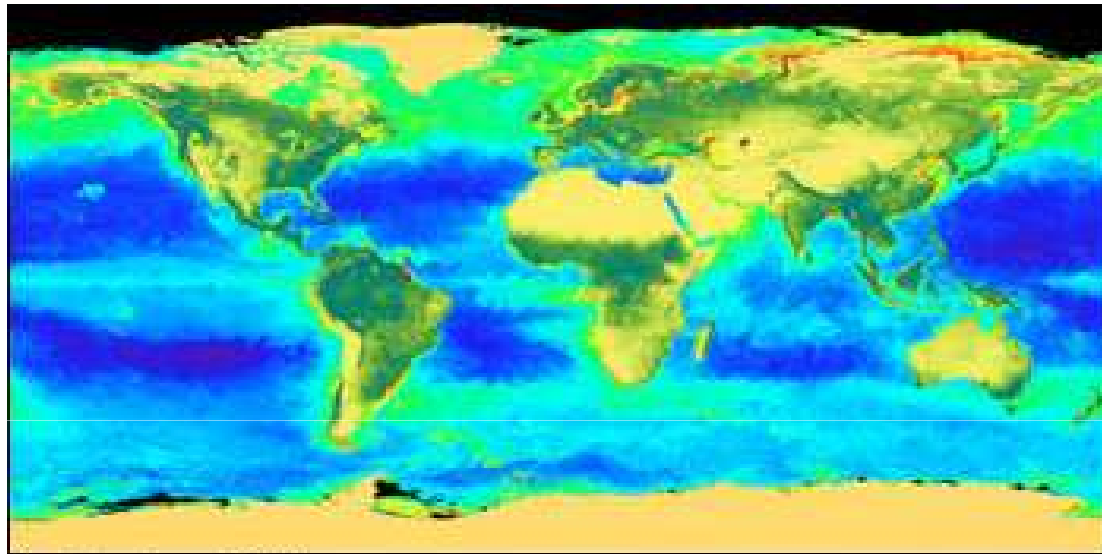
# Photosynthetic activity



Photosynthetic Activity (Dec. 18-25, 2000)



# Chl-a



September 2000

**Chlorophyll a Concentration (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

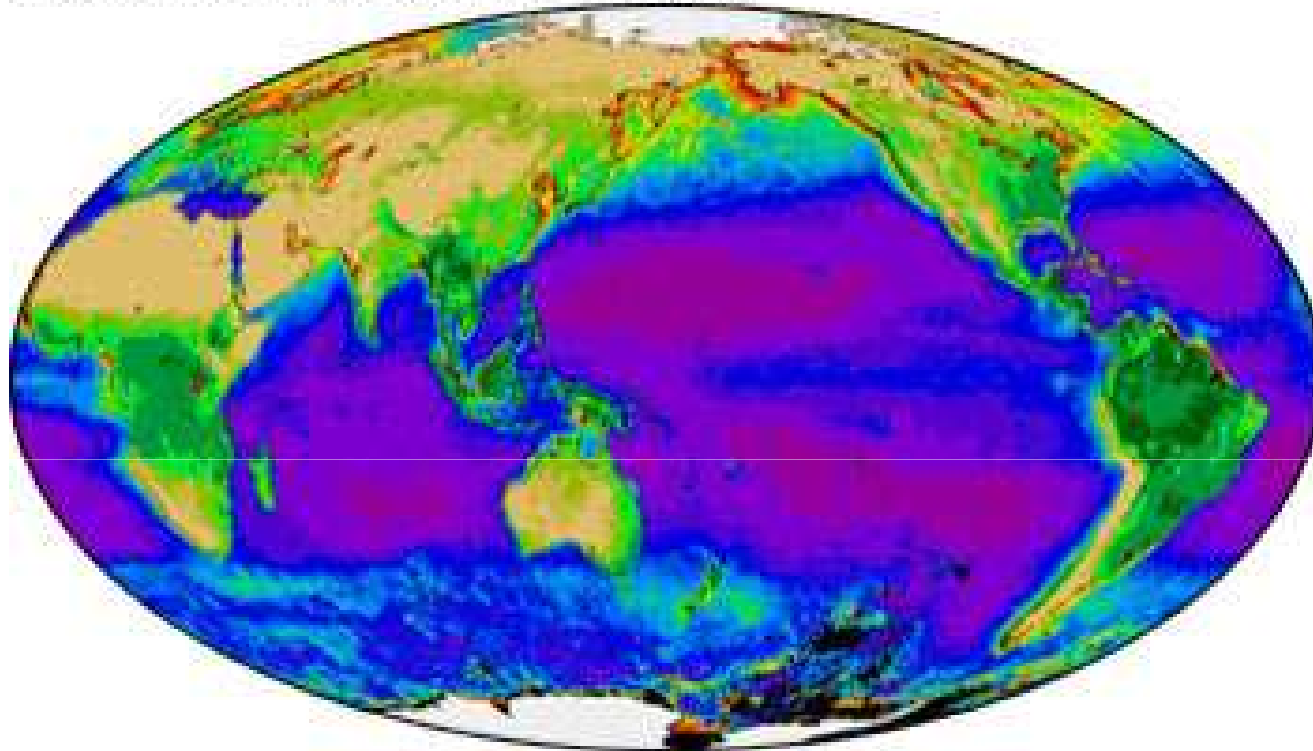


**Normalized Difference Vegetation Index**

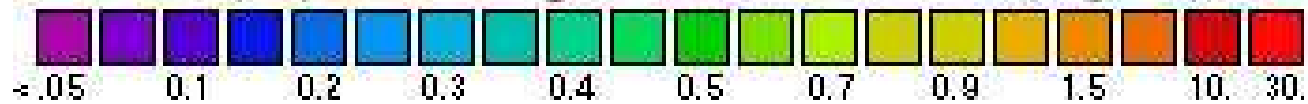


# Global biosphere

Global Biosphere (AVHRR & CZCS)



Phytoplankton Pigment Concentration ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ )



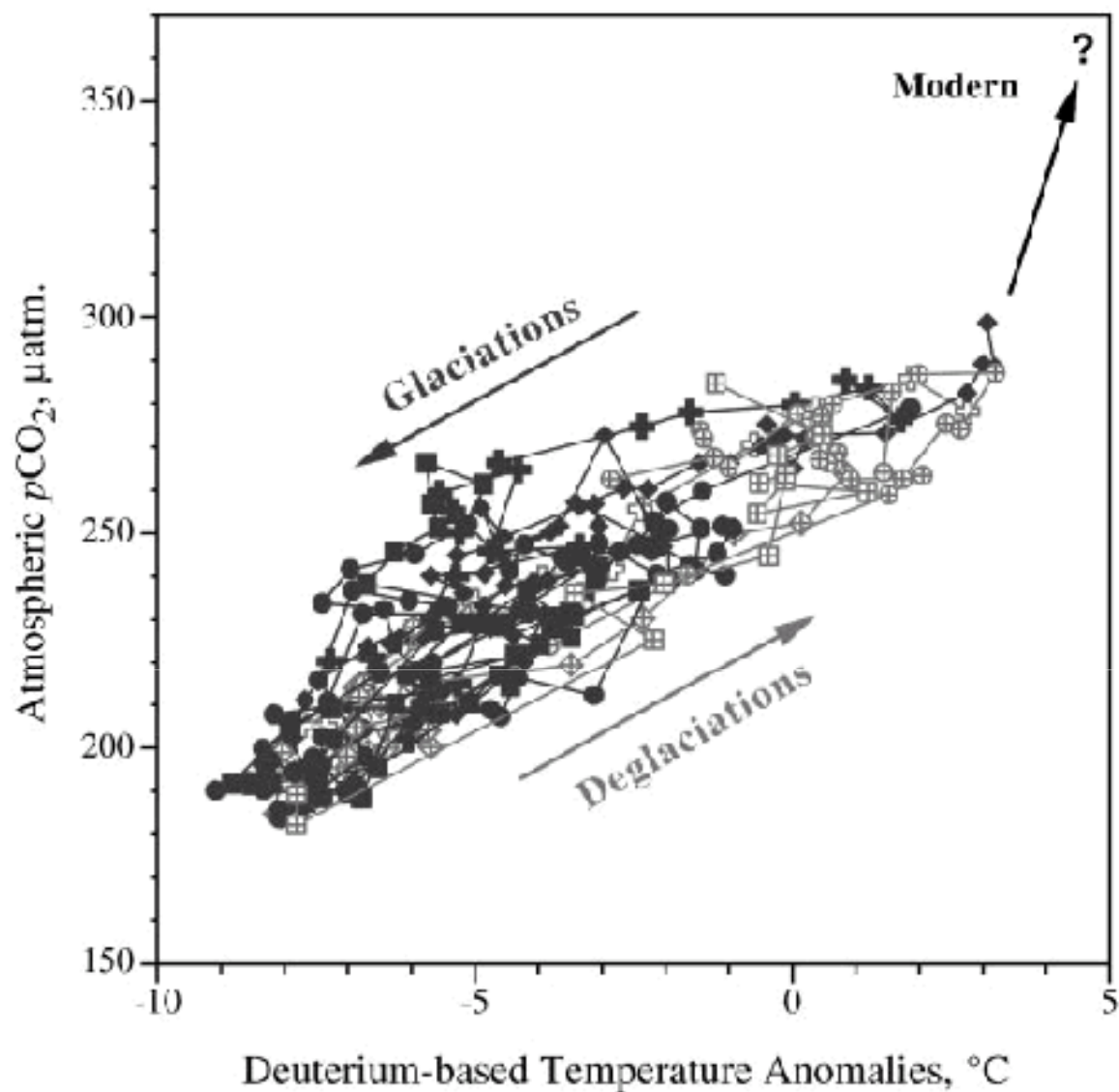
Μπορούμε να ξεχωρίσουμε τις ανθρωπογενείς διαταραχές από την φυσική μεταβλητικότητα των βιογεωχημικών κύκλων και του κλίματος?

Ποια είναι η ευαισθησία του κλίματος της γης στις αλλαγές του ατμοσφαιρικού  $CO_2$  ?

**The Global Carbon Cycle: A Test of Our Knowledge of Earth as a System**

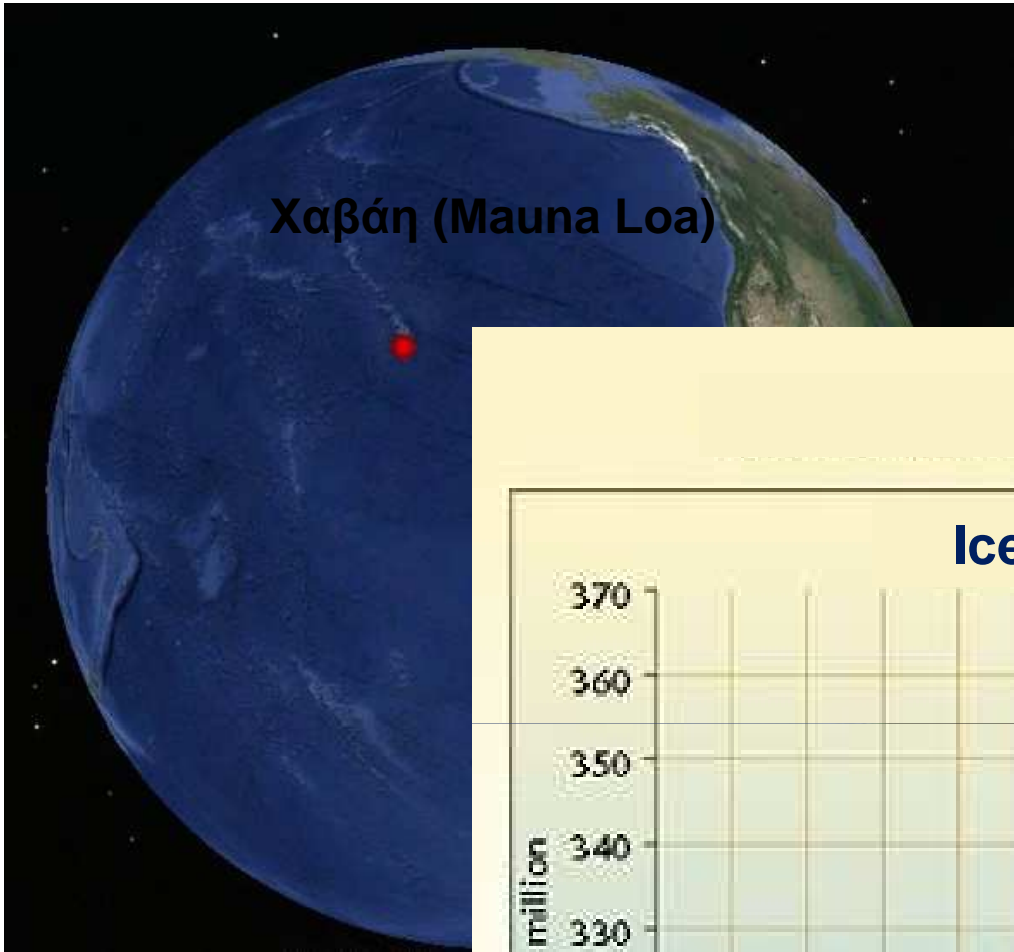
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Science, 13 Oct. 2000, 291-296

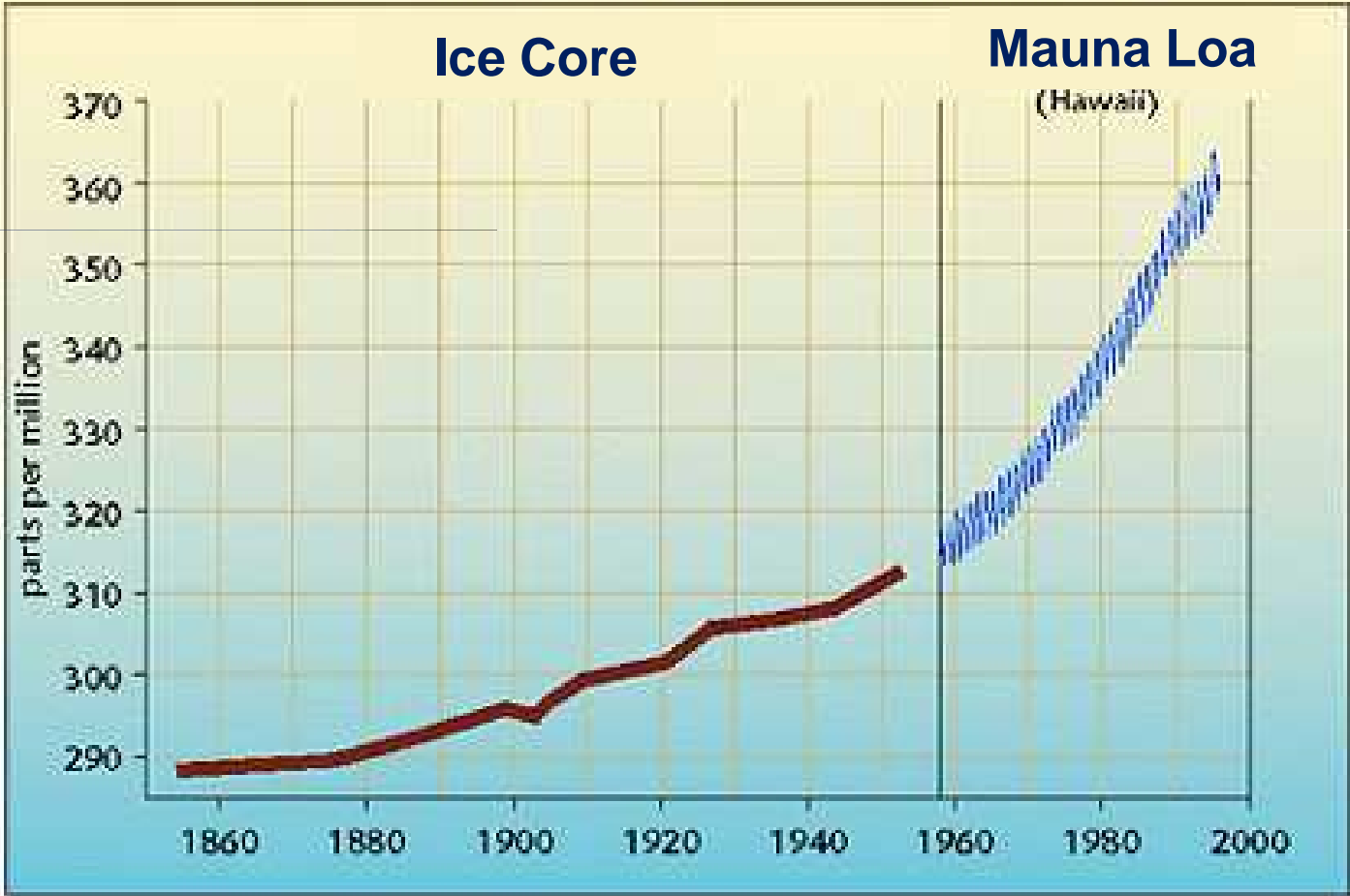


**Fig. 1.** A correlation between atmospheric partial pressure of CO<sub>2</sub> ( $p\text{CO}_2$ ) and isotopic ( $\delta_D$ ) temperature anomalies as recorded in the Vostok ice core. The figure shows that climate variations in the past 420,000 years operated within a relatively constrained domain. Data are from (8).



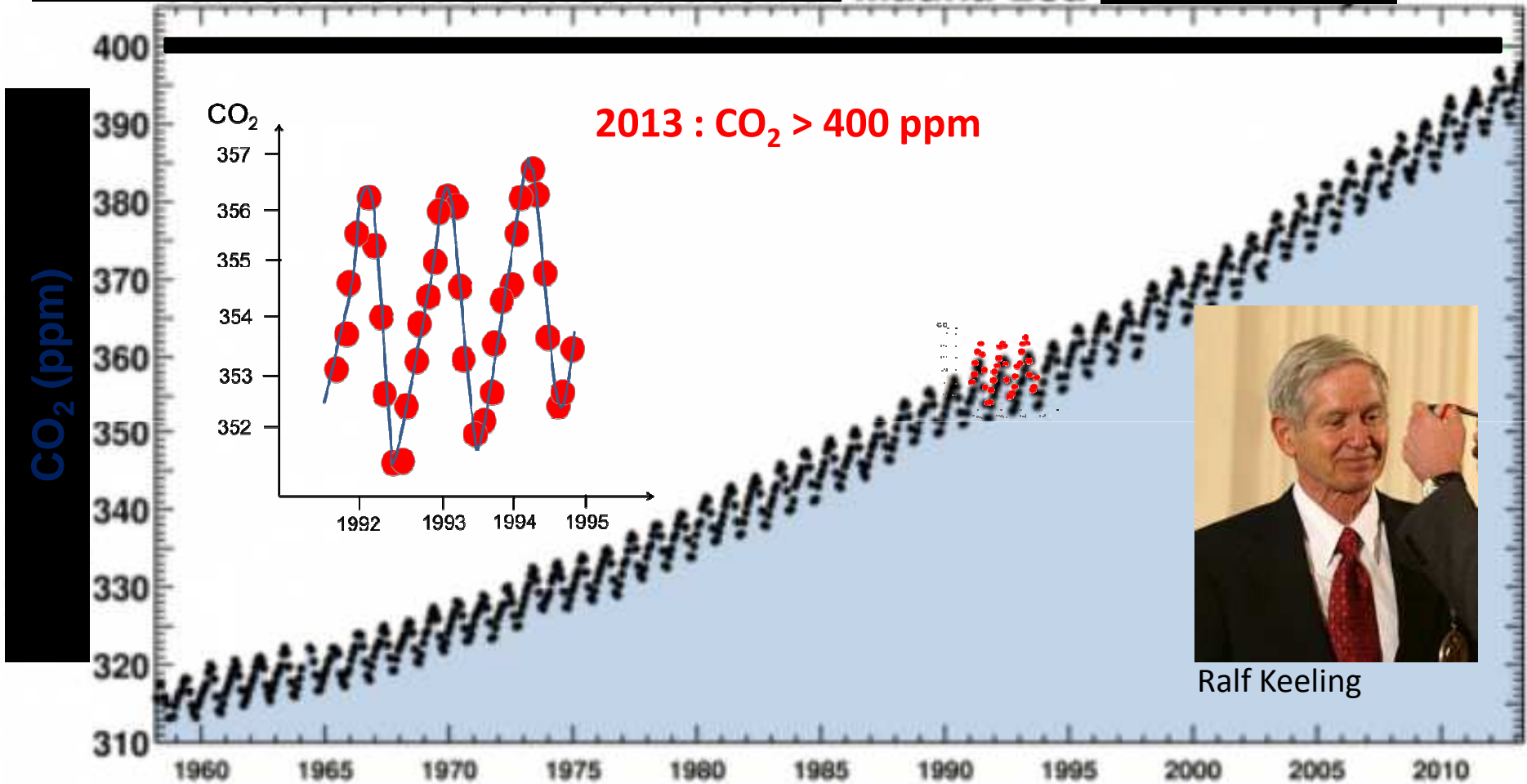


CO<sub>2</sub> (ppm)



# Carbon-dioxide

Mauna Loa



# ICOS ATC (Integrated Carbon Observation System)



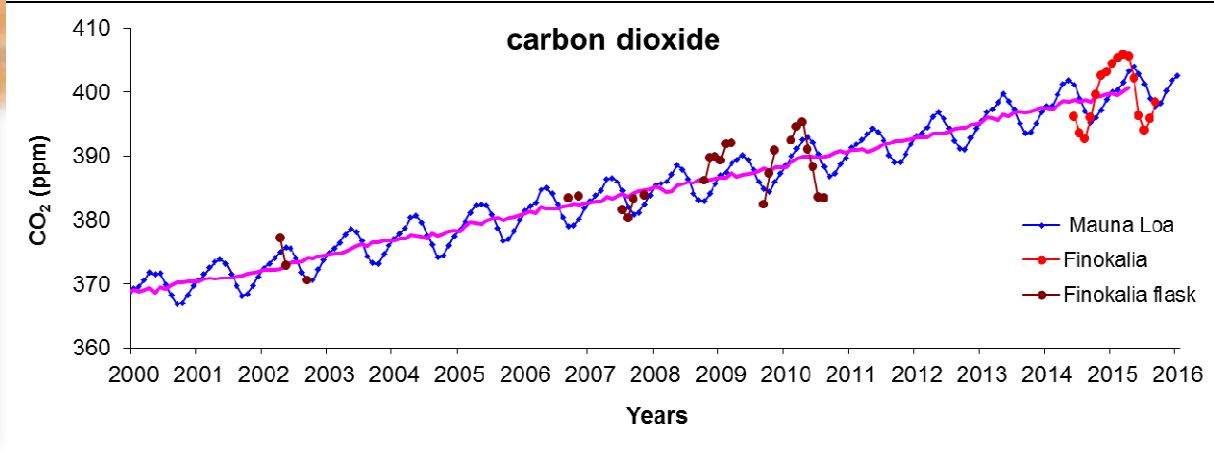
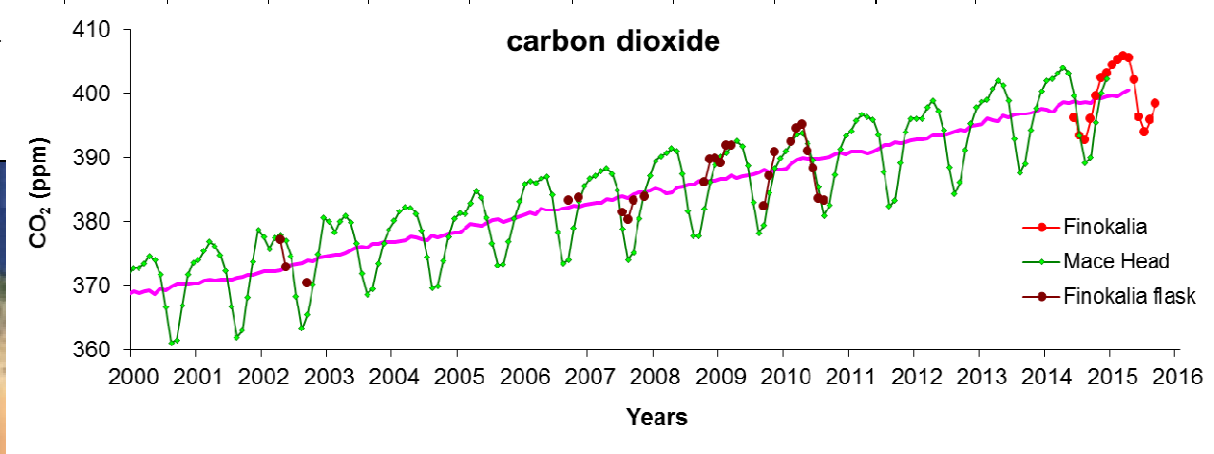
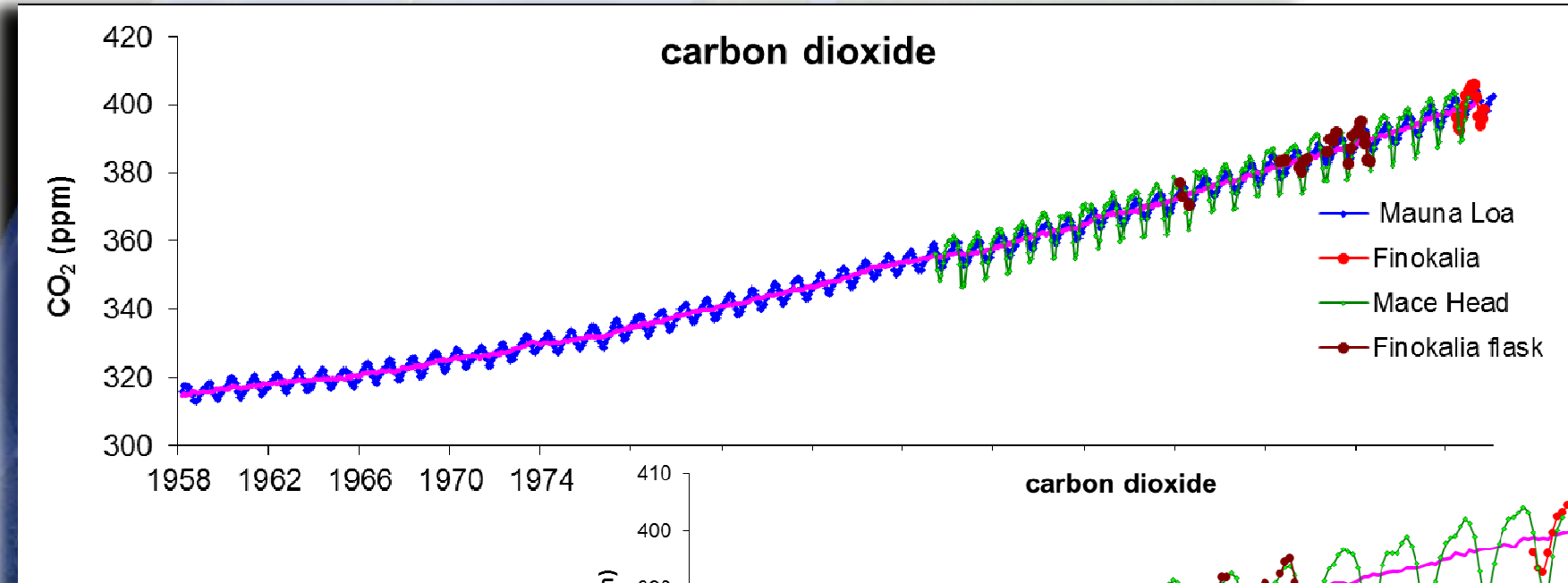
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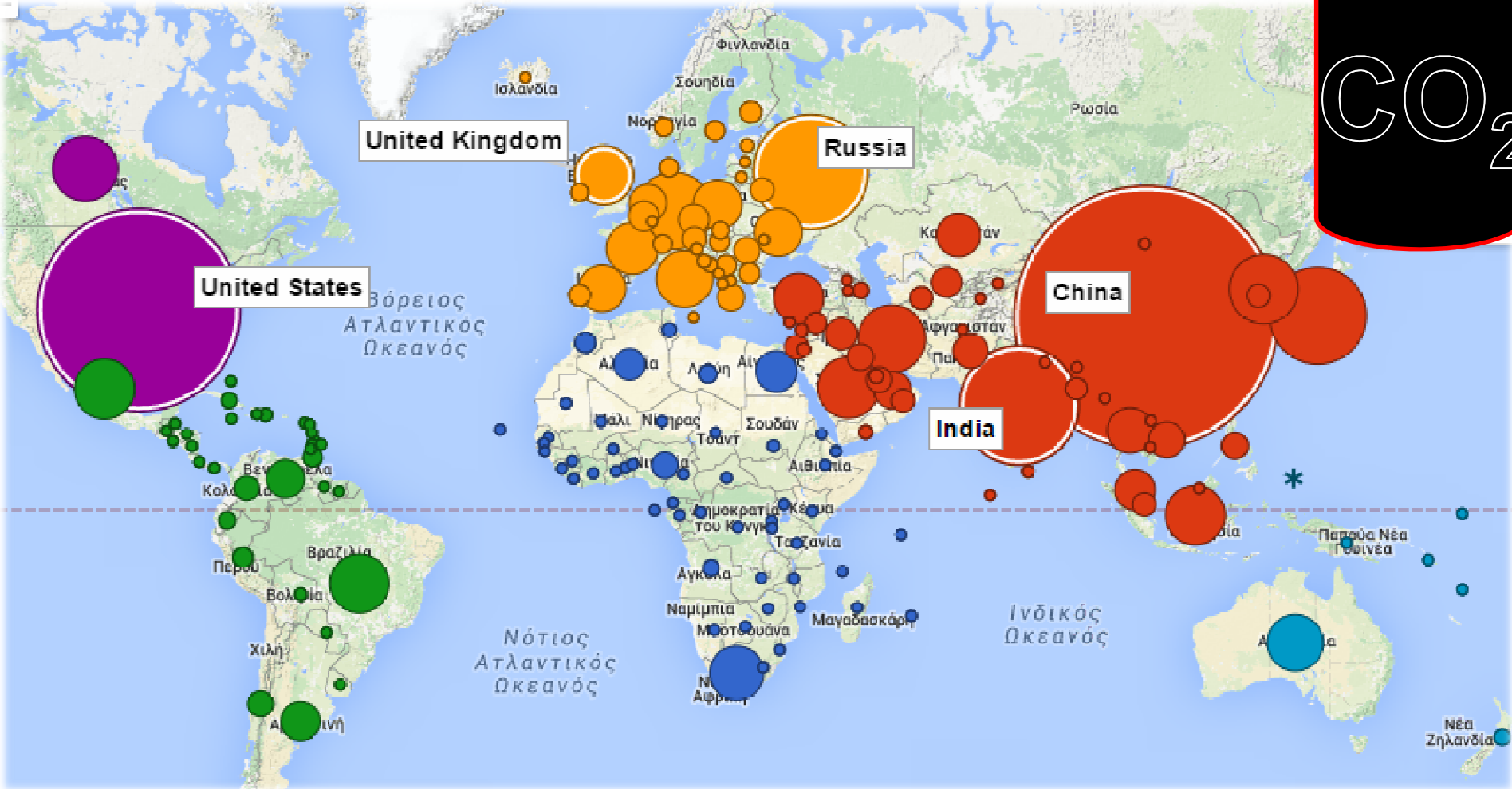


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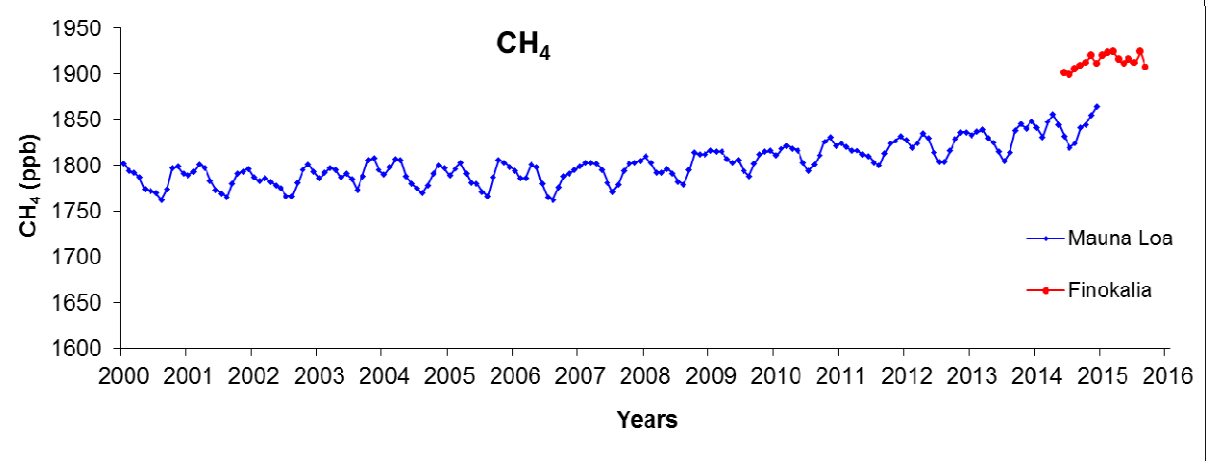
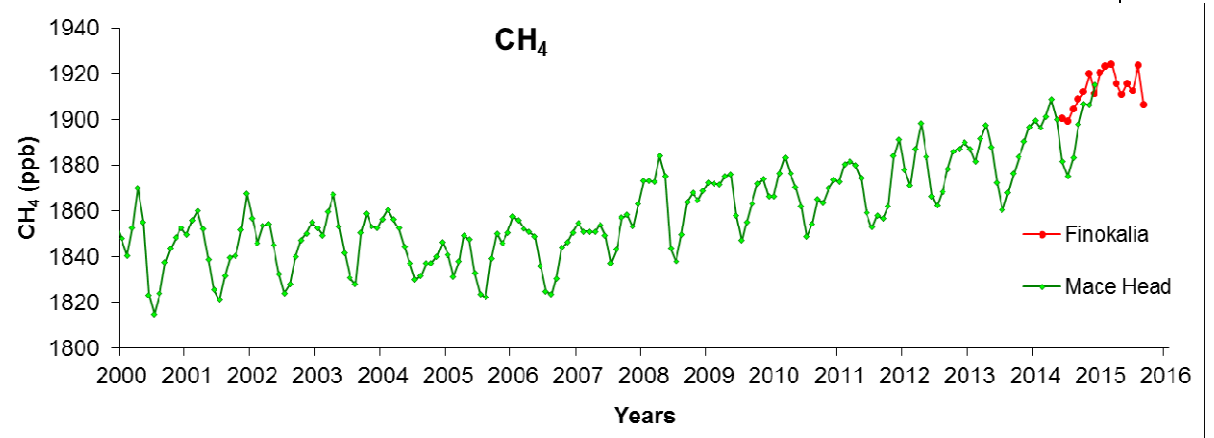
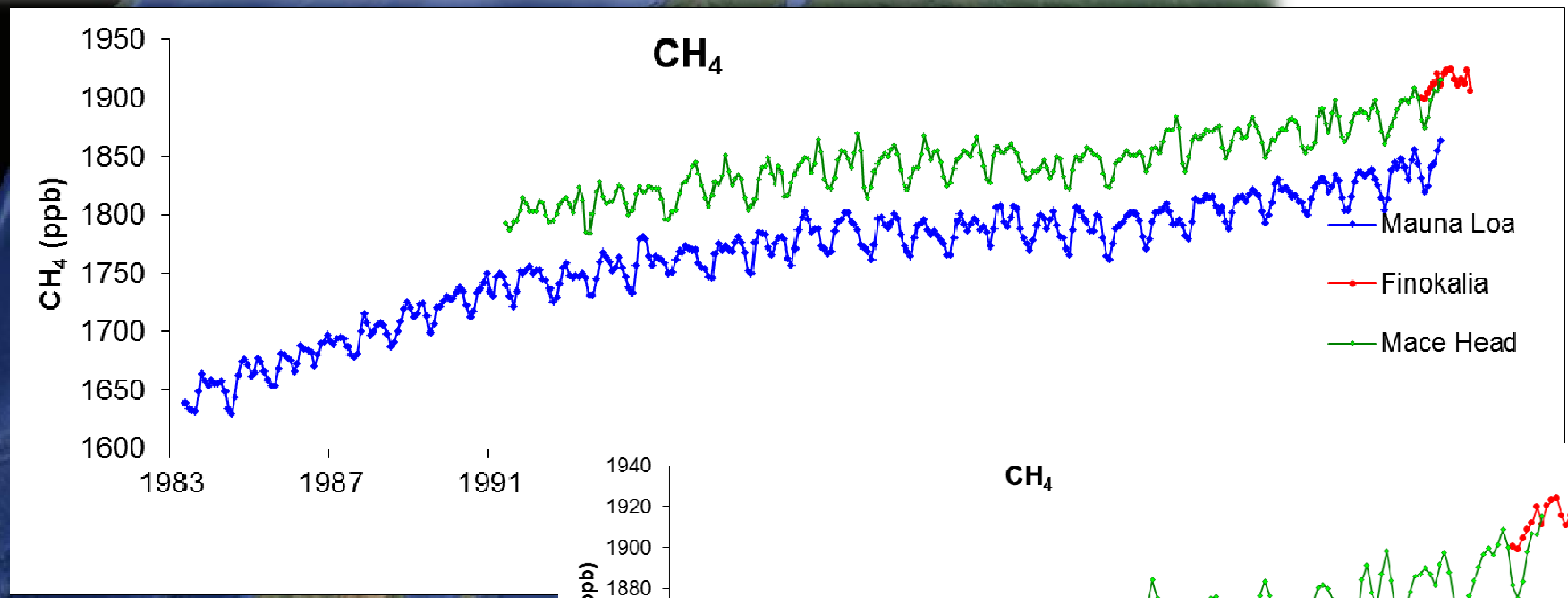




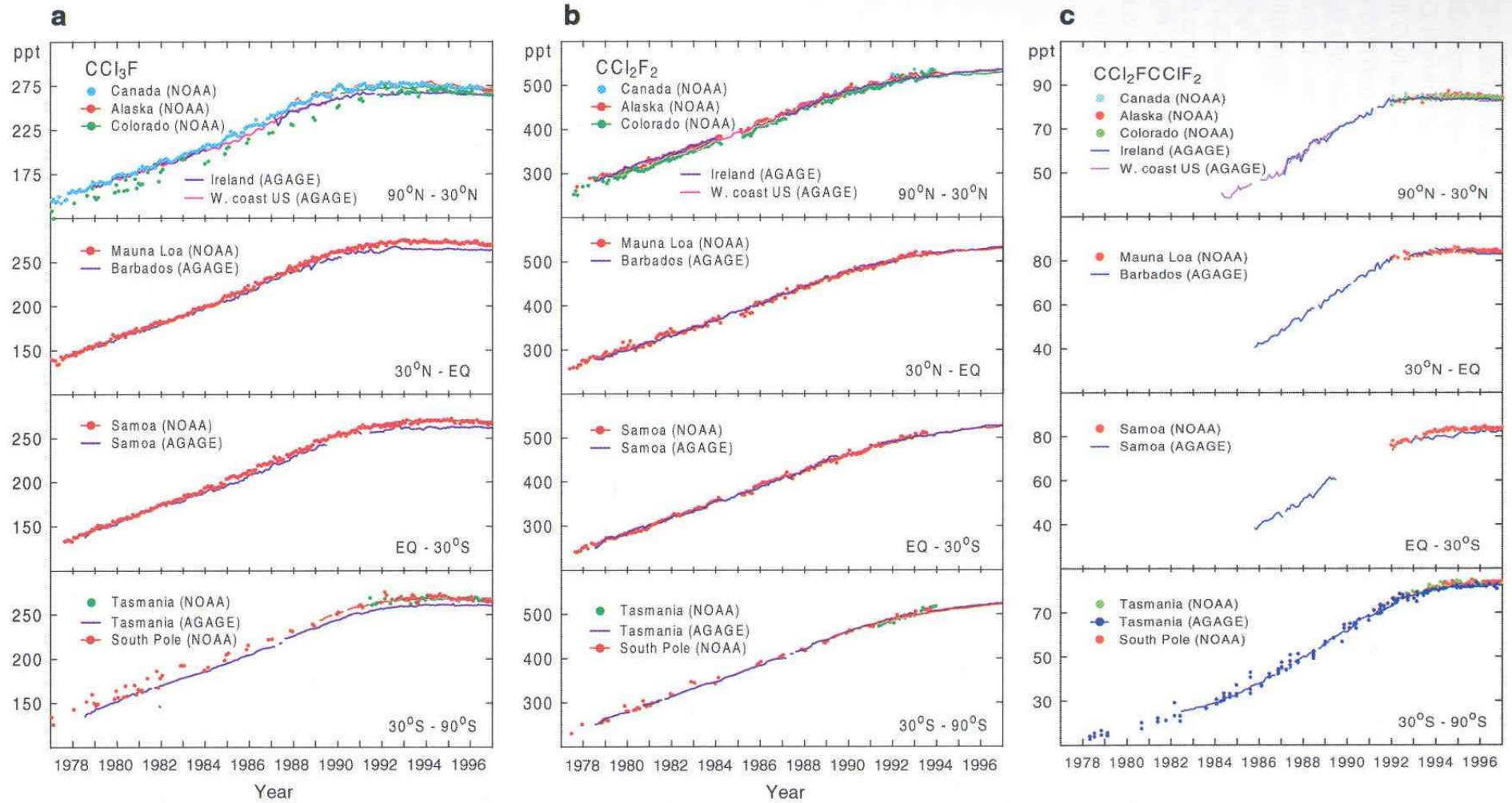
CO<sub>2</sub>





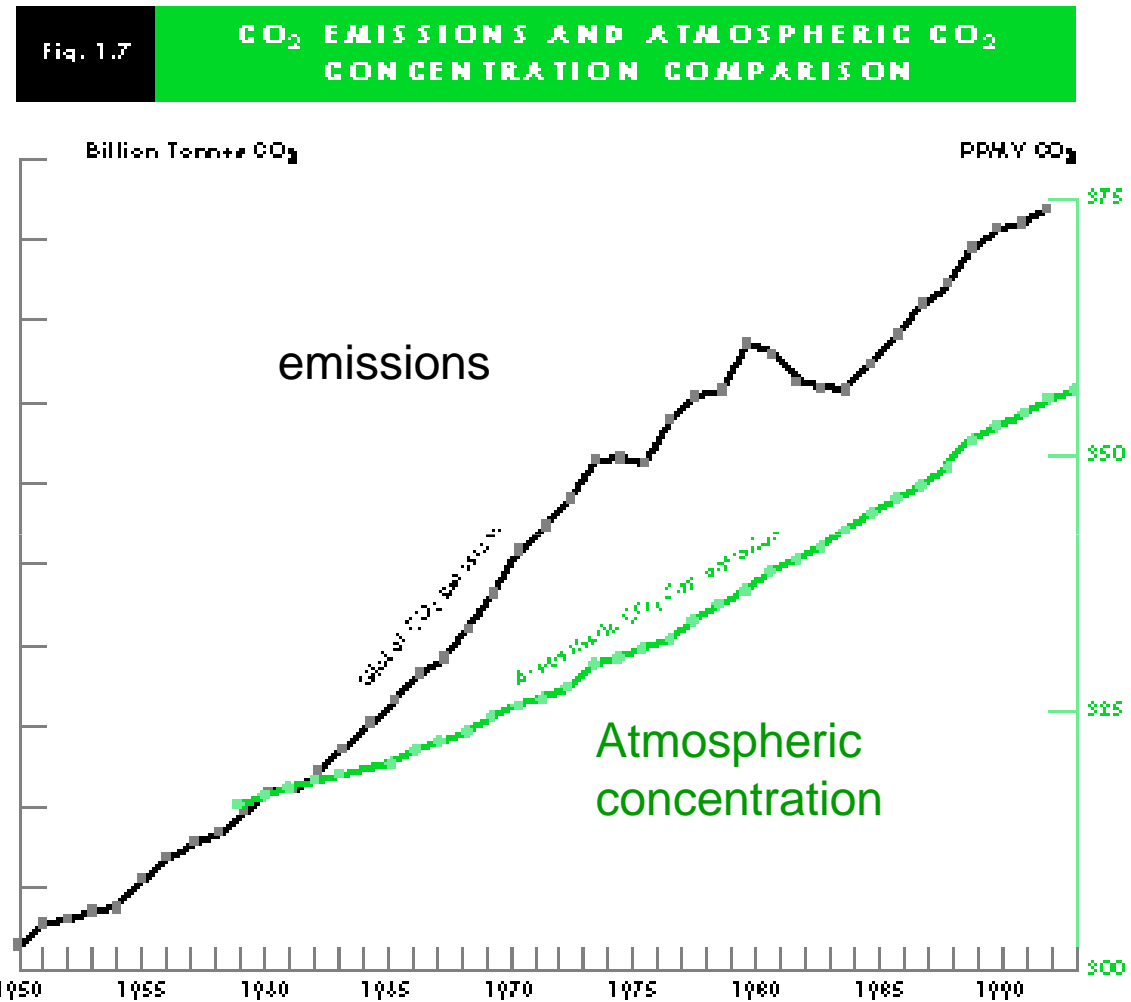


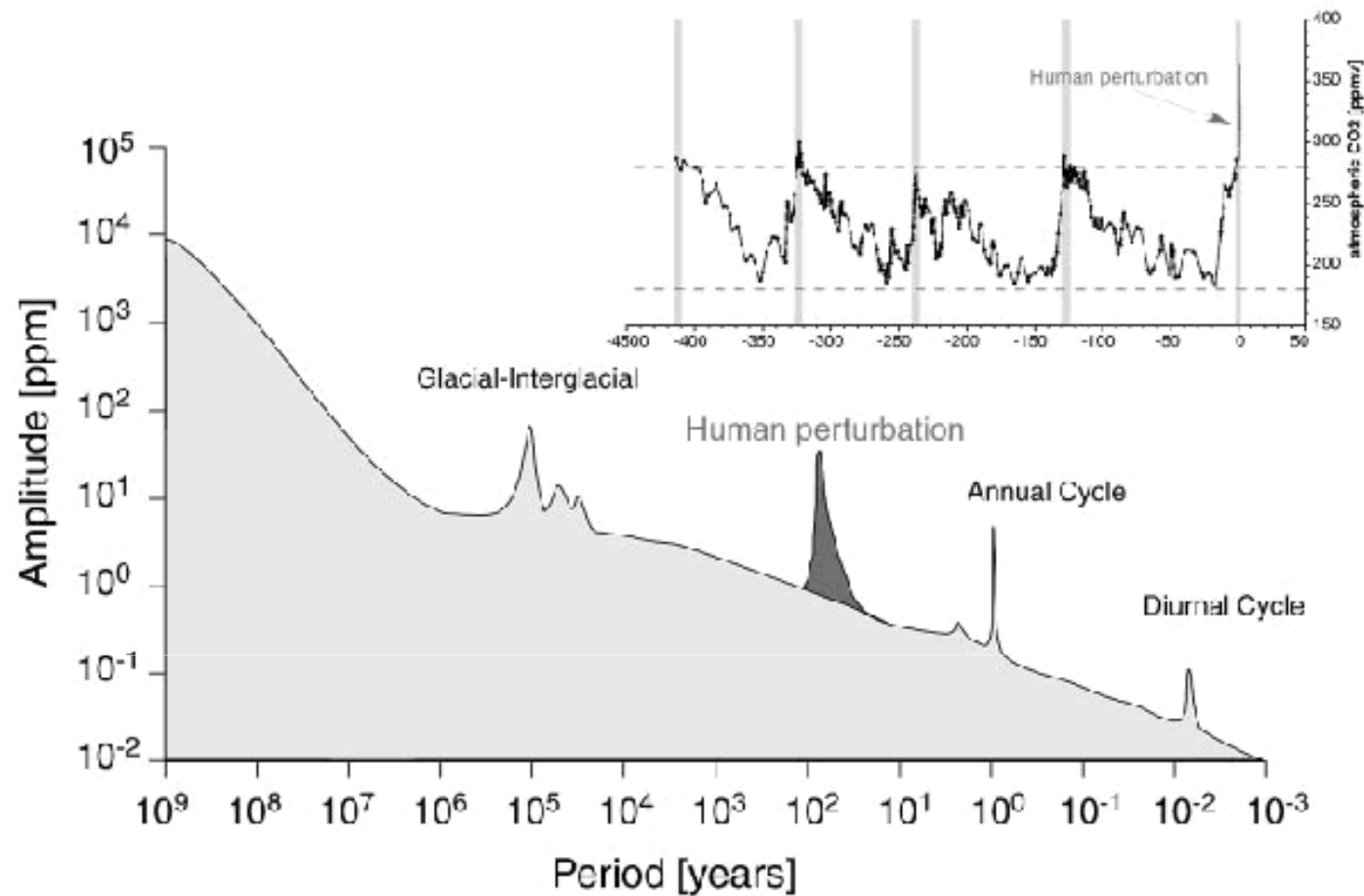




**Figure 1-1.** Monthly mean background data (in situ and flask) for  $\text{CCl}_3\text{F}$ ,  $\text{CCl}_2\text{F}_2$ , and  $\text{CCl}_2\text{FCClF}_2$  from the ALE/GAGE/AGAGE (Prinn *et al.*, 1998) and NOAA/CMDL (Elkins *et al.*, 1998) global networks.

# CO<sub>2</sub> emission vs atmospheric concentration



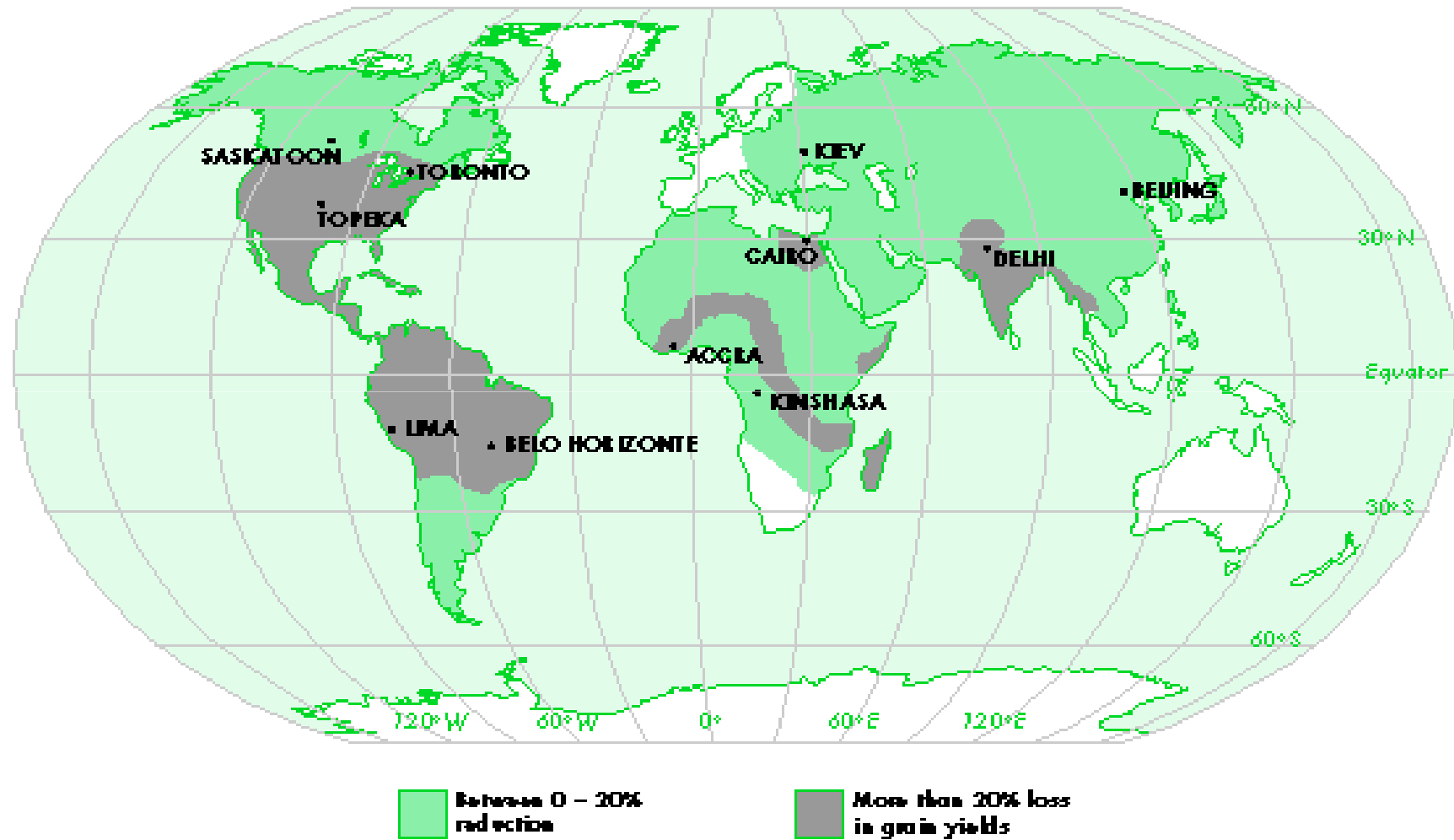


**Fig. 2.** Schematic variance spectrum for CO<sub>2</sub> over the course of Earth's history. Note the impact of human perturbations on the decade-to-century scale. (**Inset**) Changes in atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> over the past 420,000 years as recorded in the Vostok ice, showing that both the rapid rate of change and the increase in CO<sub>2</sub> concentration since the Industrial Revolution are unprecedented in recent geological history.

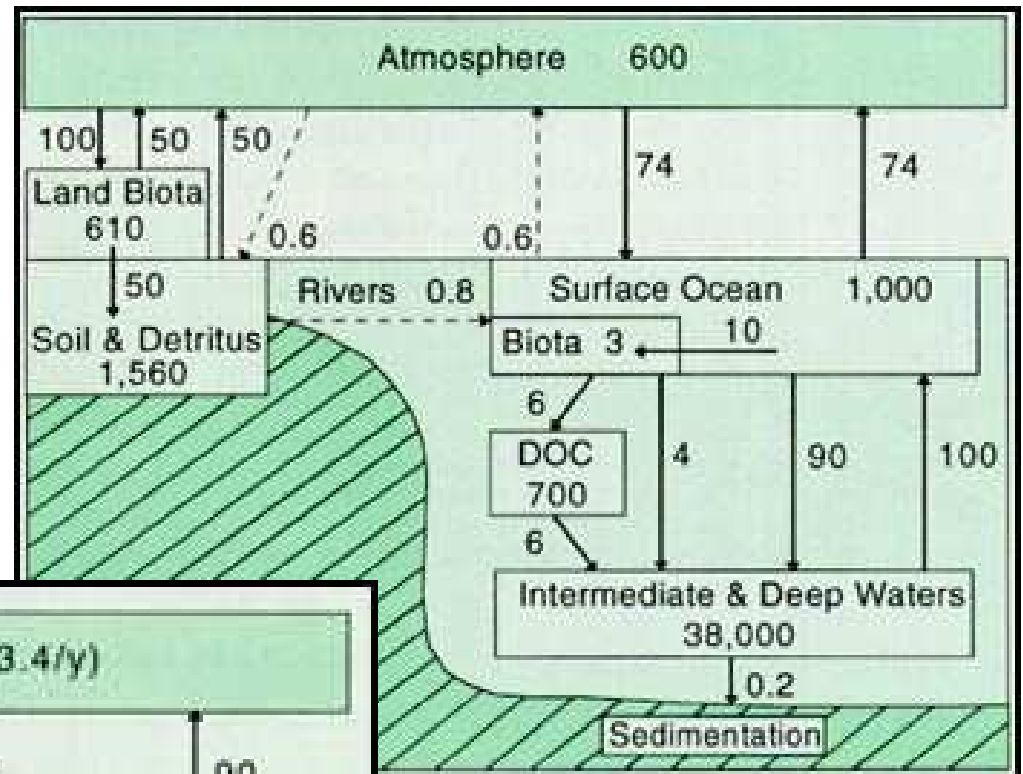
# CO<sub>2</sub>x2

Fig. 2.1

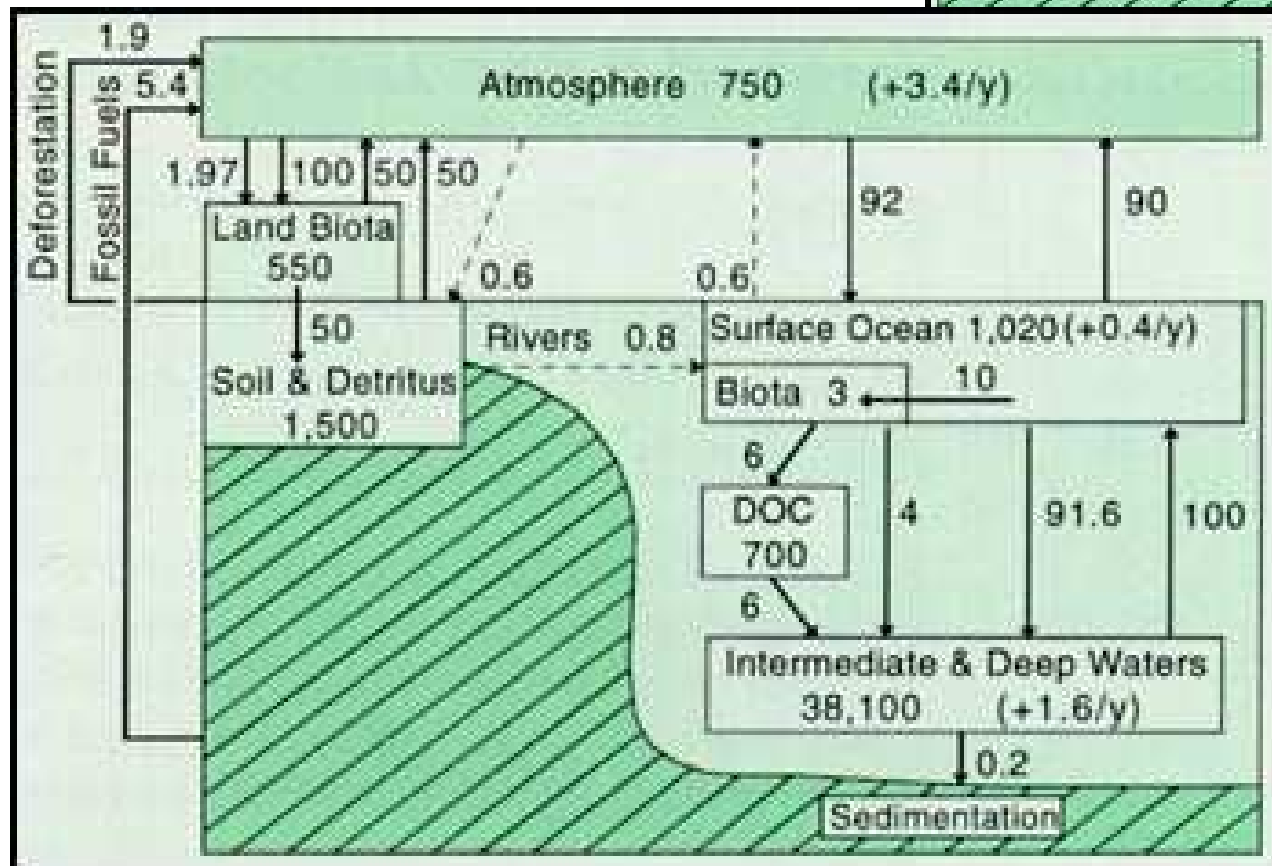
CHANGE IN GRAIN YIELD BASED ON A DOUBLING OF CO<sub>2</sub> (555 PPMV)



Pre-Industrial period



Industrial period

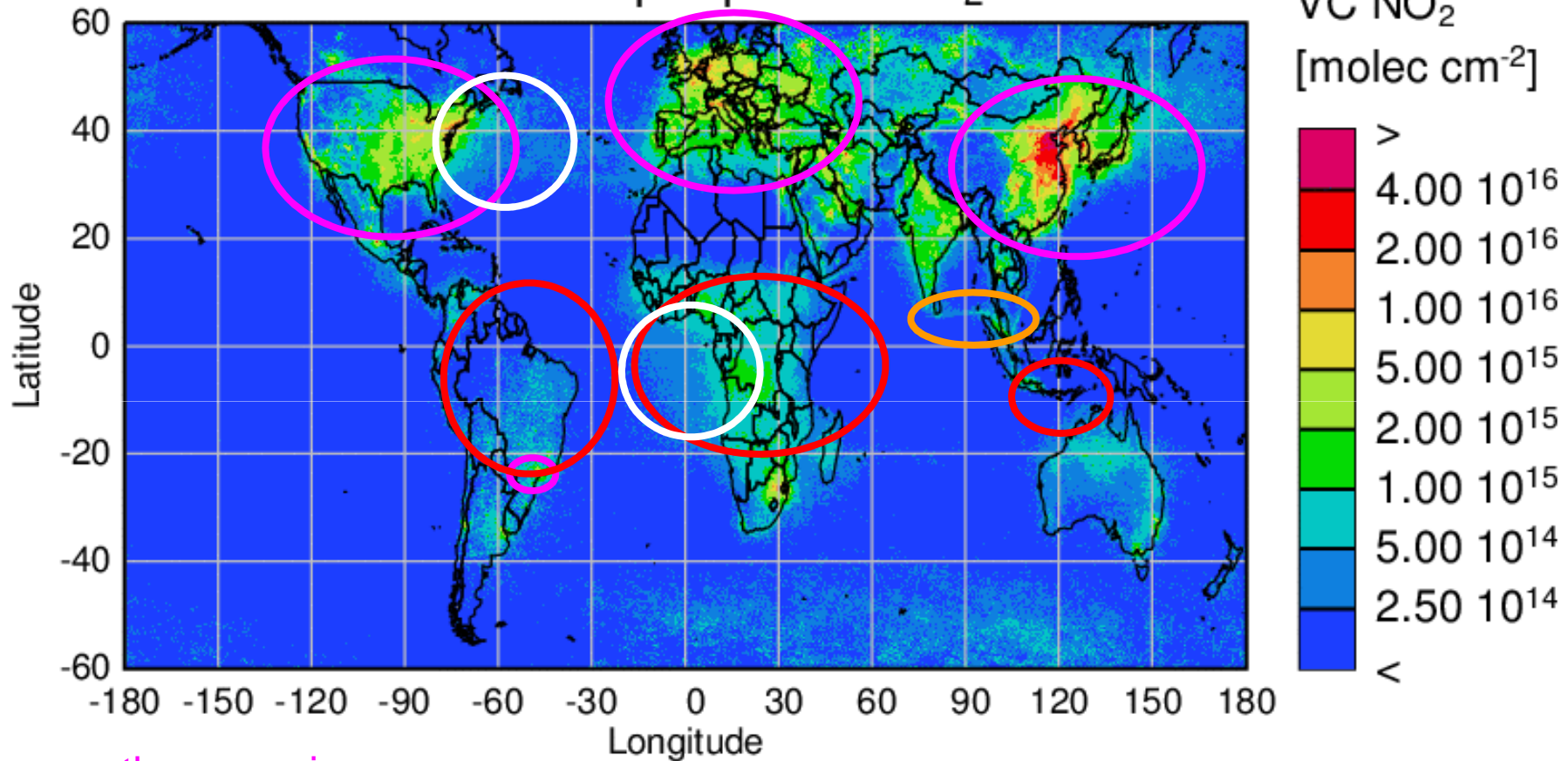


# Tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub>

**Nitrogen  
Dioxide**

# Tropospheric $\text{NO}_2$ and Sources?

SCIAMACHY tropospheric  $\text{NO}_2$  2011



anthropogenic  
pollution

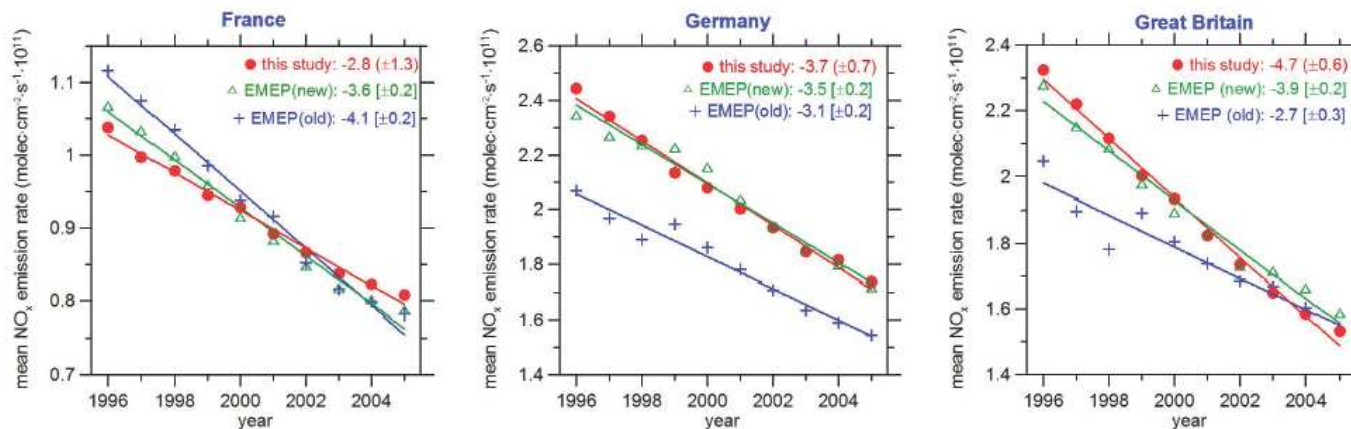
biomass burning

ships

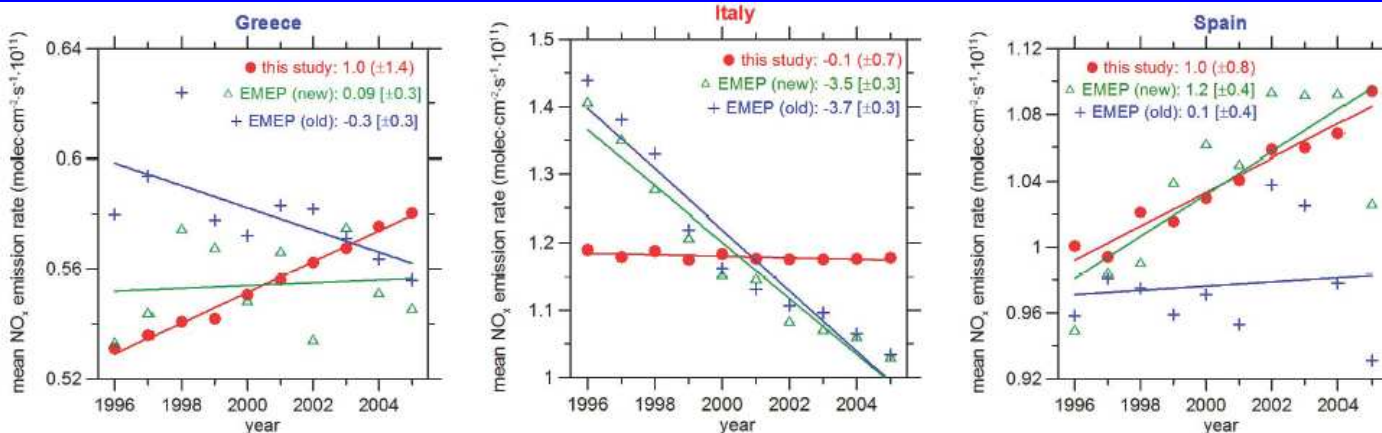
transport



# NO<sub>2</sub> Change in Europe

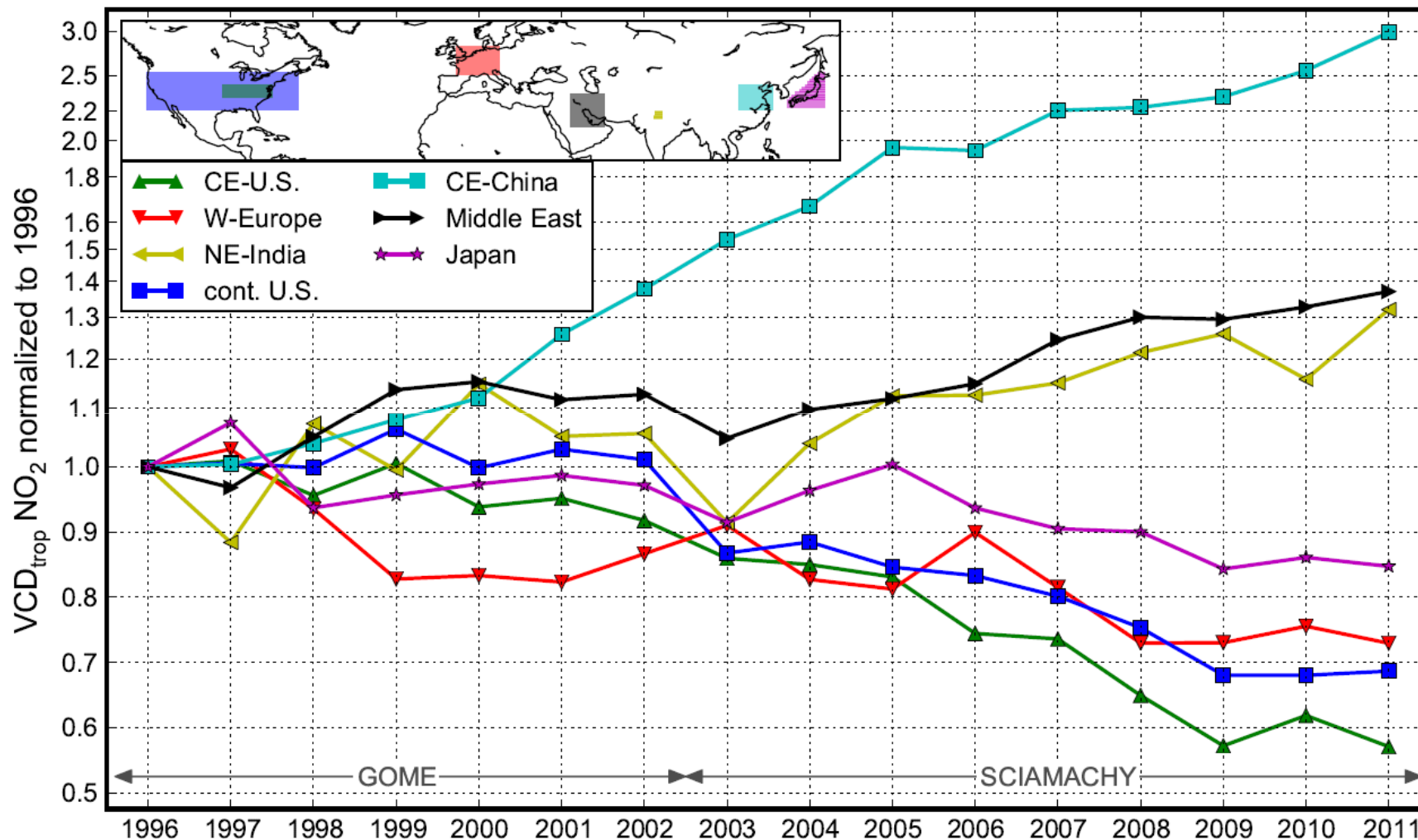


GOME and SCIAMACHY data over Europe + CHIMERE  
 Comparison to two versions of EMEP emissions  
 Excellent agreement with latest EMEP in NE, disagreement  
 in SE.



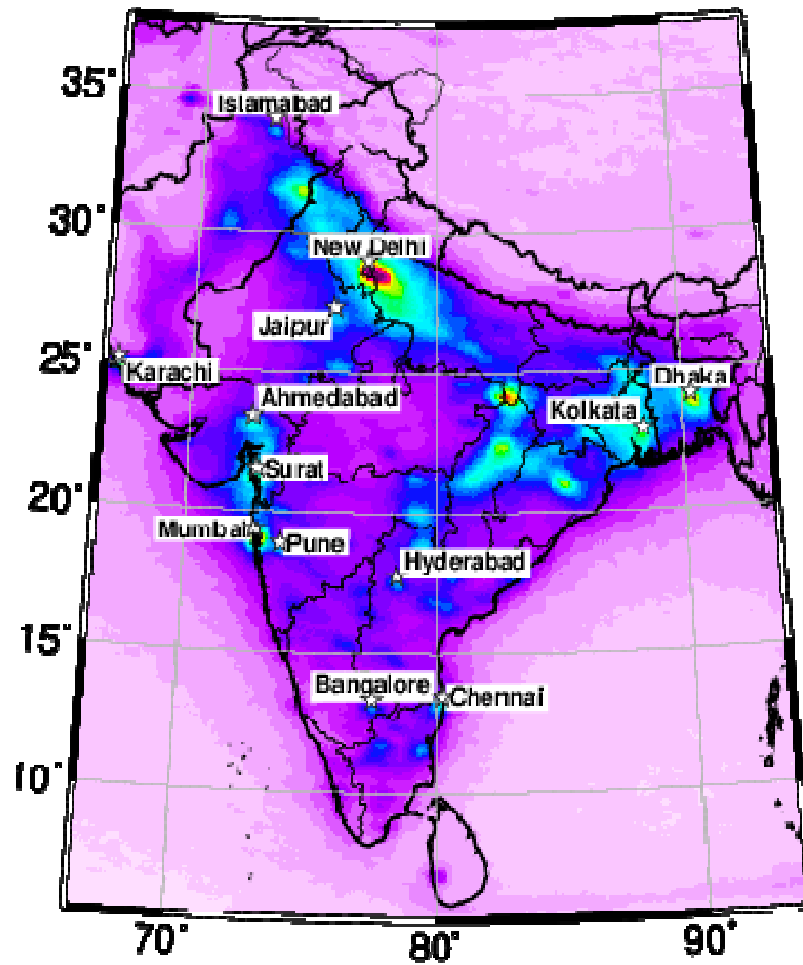


# NO<sub>2</sub> Changes over Regions Hilboll et al., 2012/2013



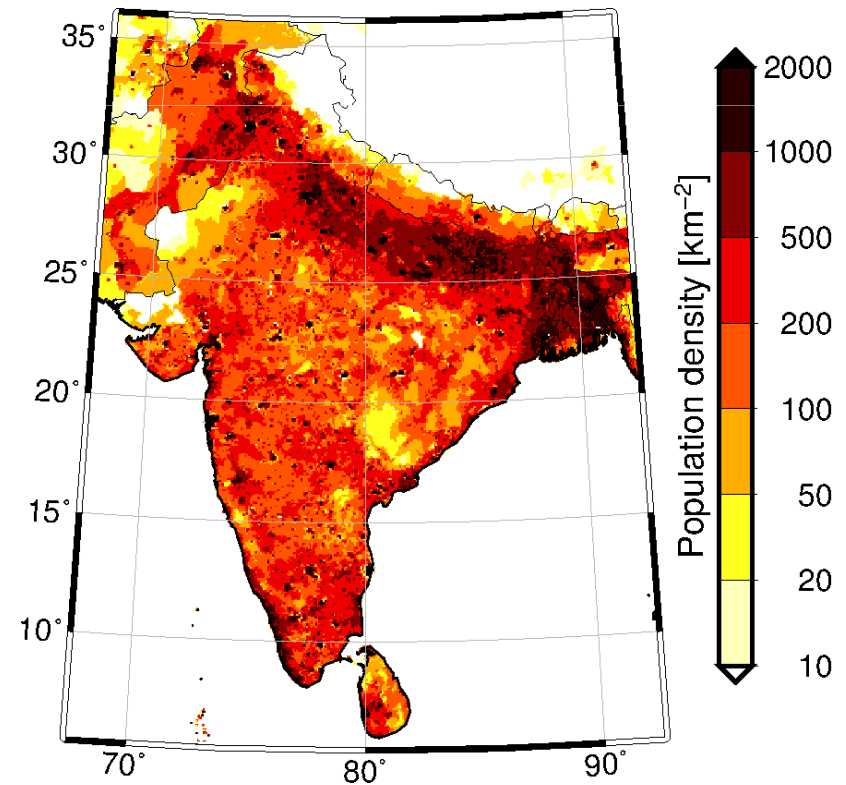
Hilboll, A., Richter, A., and Burrows, J. P.: Long-term changes of tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> over megacities derived from multiple satellite instruments, *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 13, 4145-4169, doi:10.5194/acp-13-4145-2013, 2013.

# Tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> column over Indian Subcontinent observed from space: SCIAMACHY (2003-2011)



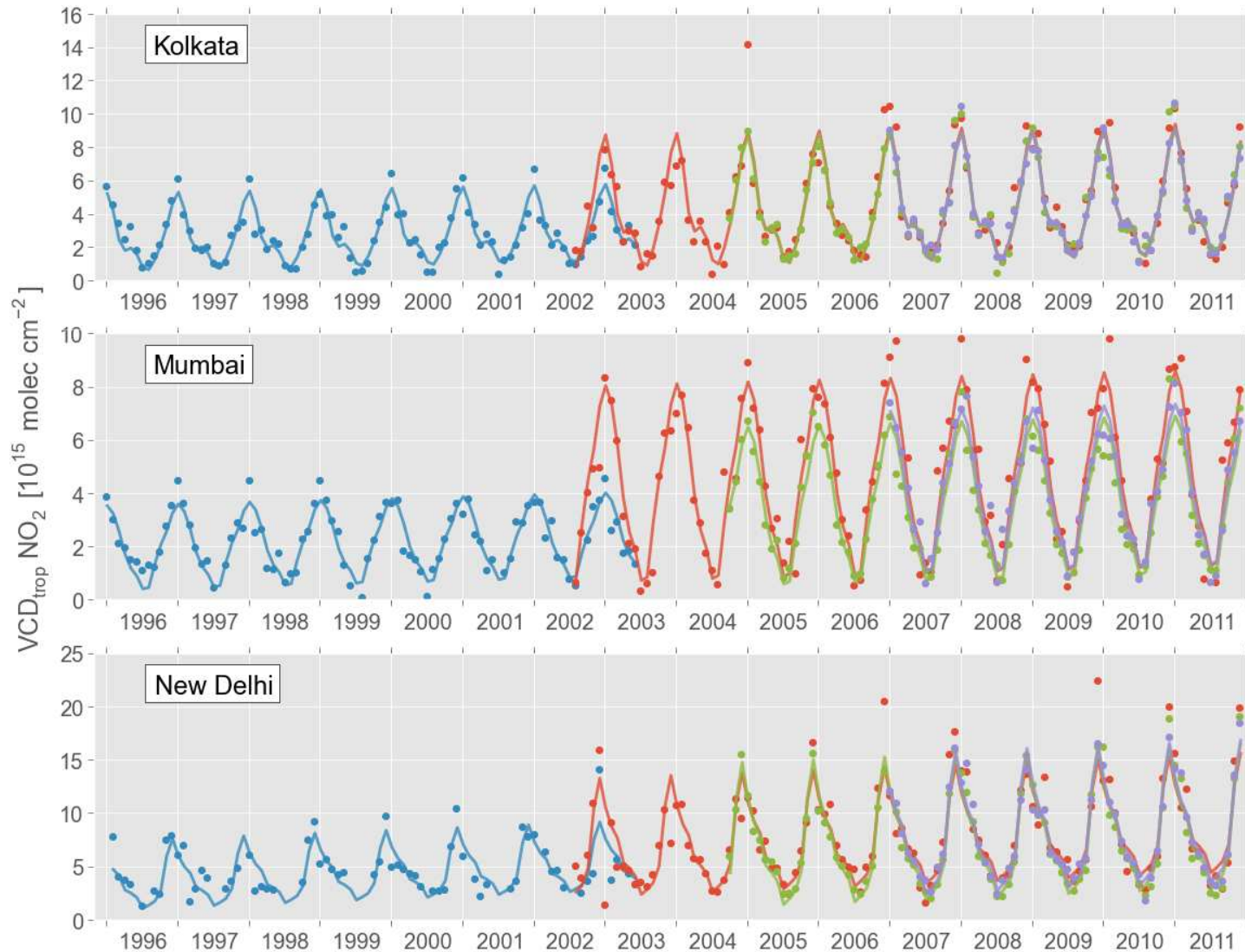
Trop. NO<sub>2</sub> columns [ $10^{15}$  molec cm<sup>-2</sup>]

**Centres of Population are clearly visible**

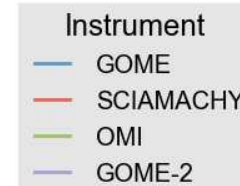


Population density [km<sup>-2</sup>]

# Calculation of annual change rates

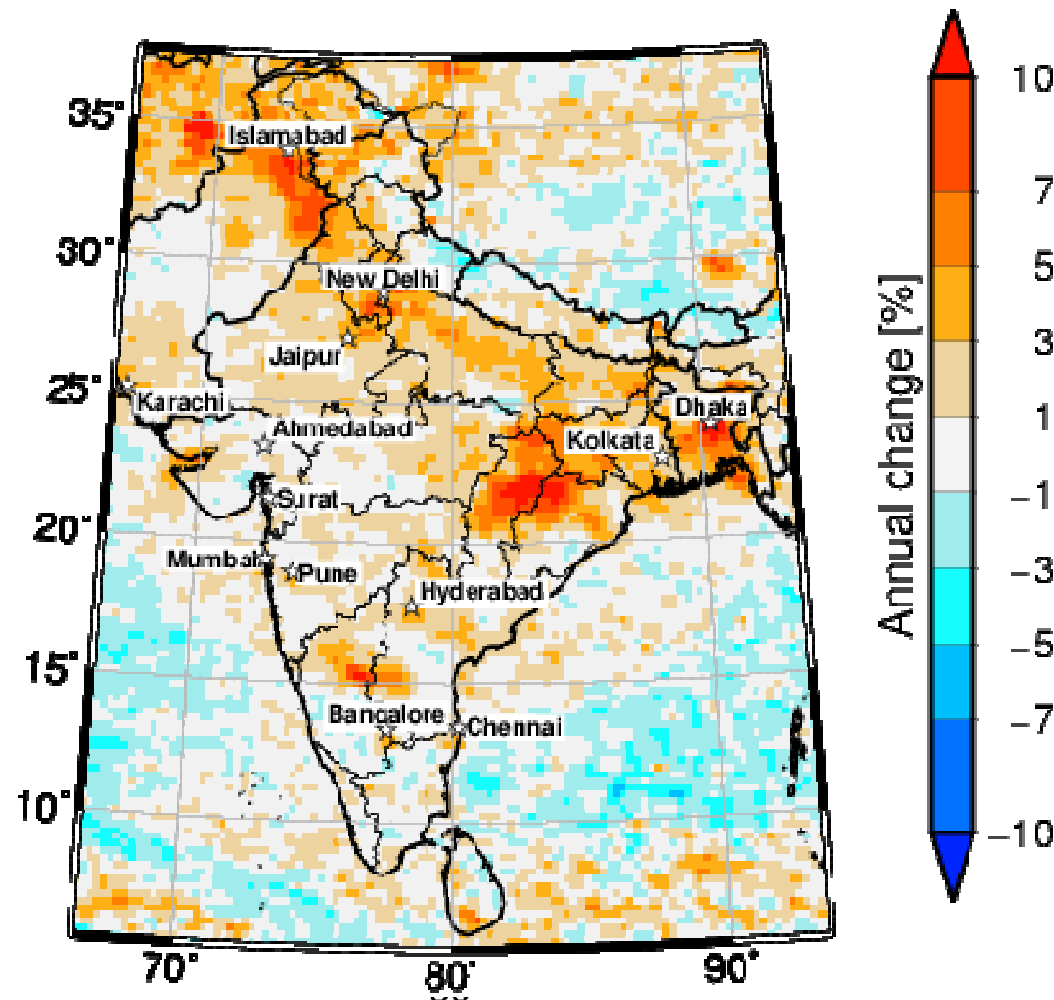


Calculate annual change rates from all four instruments' measurements:



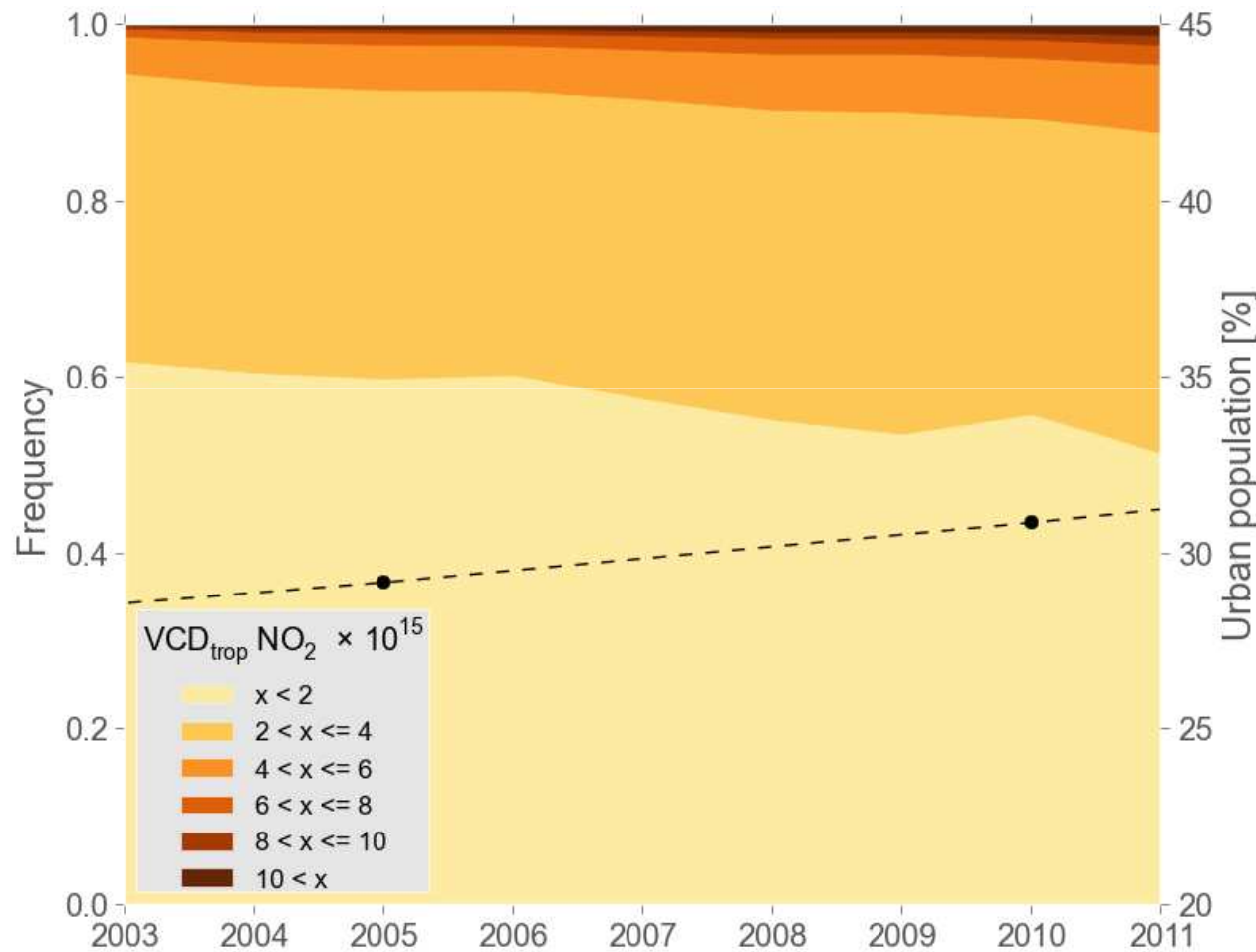
- Kolkata:  
+3.2 +/- 1.0 %
- Mumbai:  
+3.6 +/- 1.1 %
- New Delhi:  
+7.4 +/- 1.7%

# Tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> over India/ South Asia strongly increasing in populated regions



- Tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> strongly increases in major centres of population
- Attributed to fossil fuel, domestic heating and cooking and related
- Strongest relative increase is in Odisha and Chhattisgarh
- Attributed to heavy industry + electricity

# The area of regions with high $\text{NO}_2$ pollution are growing



- Percentage of area with higher  $\text{NO}_2$  pollution is increasing
- The area of pristine i.e. low  $\text{NO}_2$  decreases
- Attributed to emissions resulting from urbanization trend and population increase

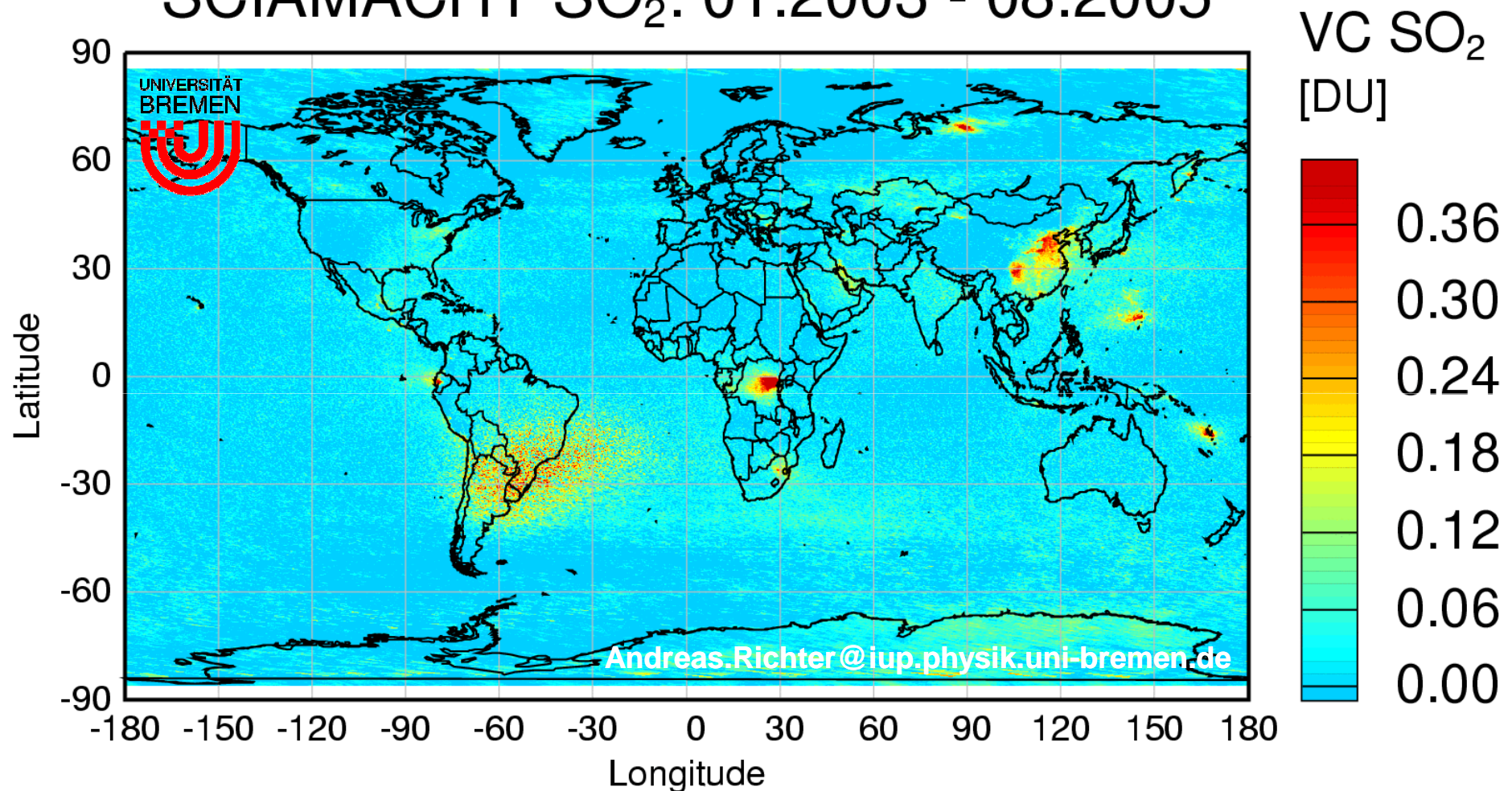
# Tropospheric SO<sub>2</sub>

**Sulphur  
Dioxide**

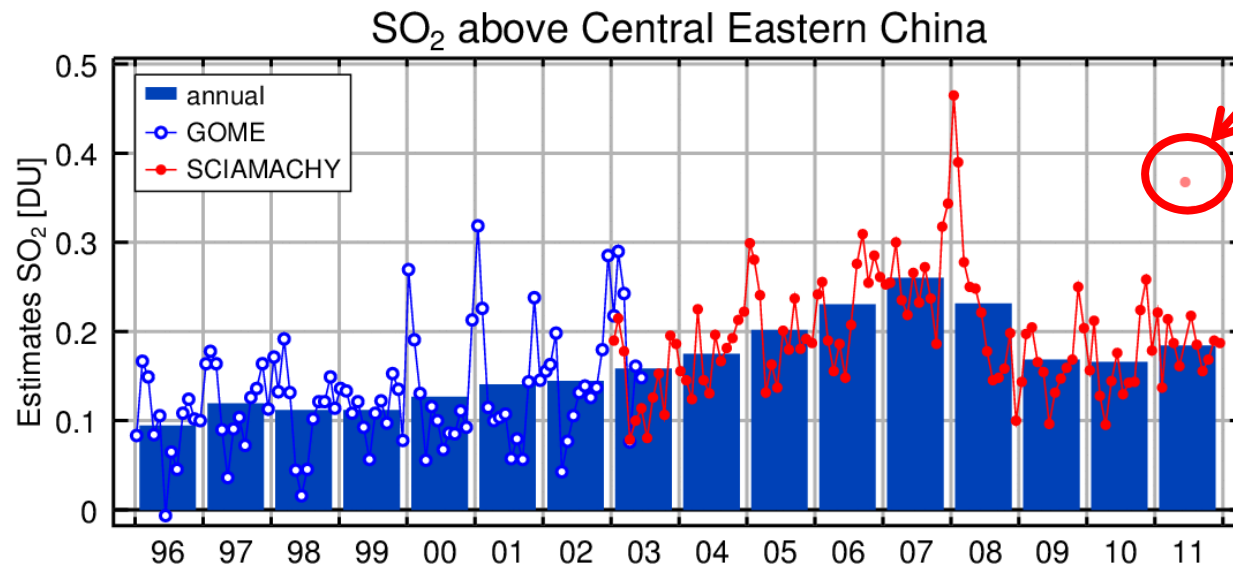


# SCIAMACHY SO<sub>2</sub> Columns

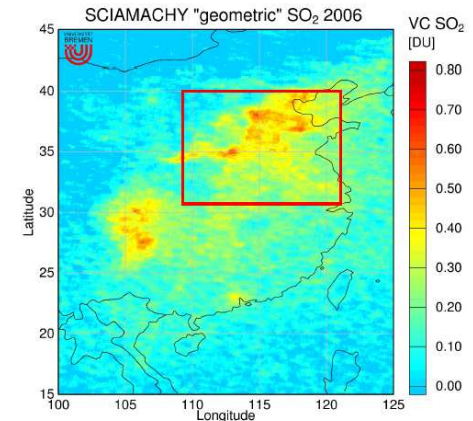
SCIAMACHY SO<sub>2</sub>: 01.2003 - 08.2005



# GOME and SCIAMACHY SO<sub>2</sub> over Central East China



volcanic



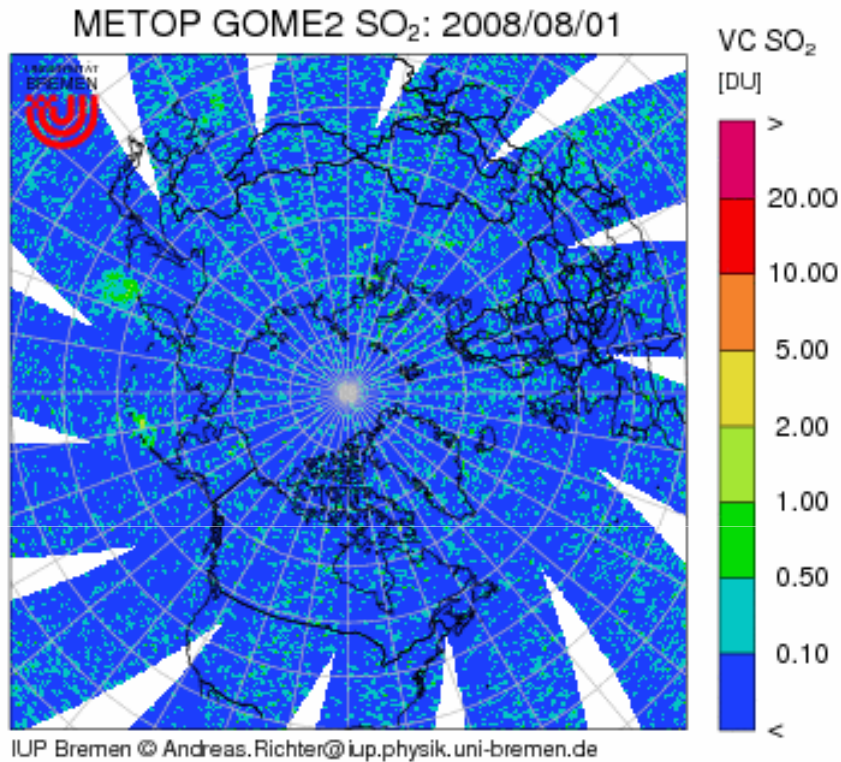
- SO<sub>2</sub> mainly emitted from coal fired power plants – lignite and less from anthracite
- Large increase in SO<sub>2</sub> loading observed from 2000 to 2007
- Turnover in 2007
- Decrease to 2003 / 2004 levels but may be increasing again?

Decrease explained by legislation requiring flue-gas desulphurization of power plants

Not all power plants have been equipped other sources are also increasing



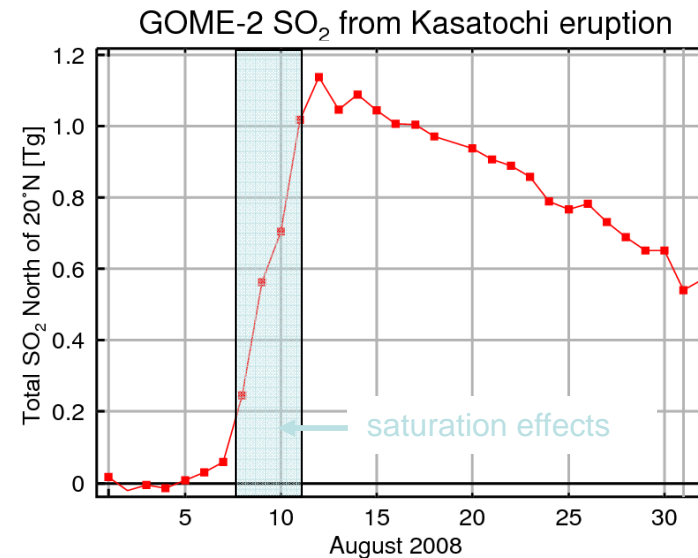
# Kasatochi eruption as seen in GOME-2 SO<sub>2</sub>



- After some smaller SO<sub>2</sub> emissions, large eruption on August 8, 2008
- SO<sub>2</sub> rapidly distributes over the NH
- GOME-2 integrated SO<sub>2</sub> column indicates more than 1 Tg total SO<sub>2</sub> emission

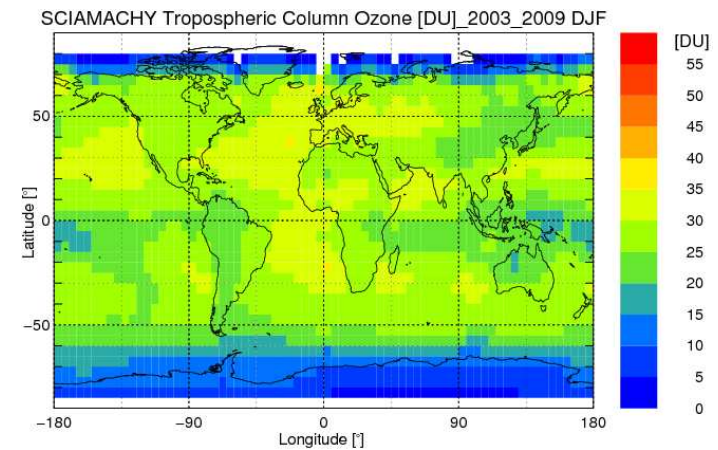
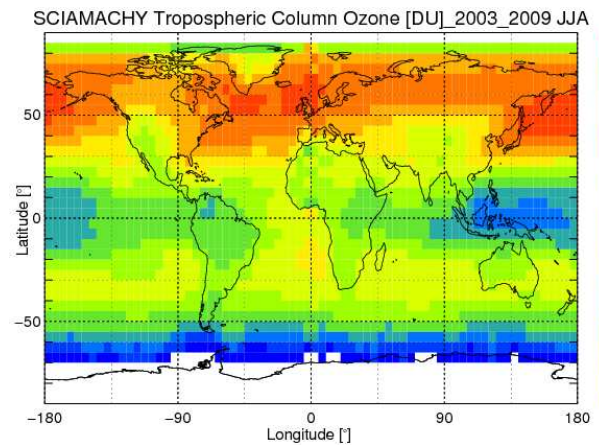
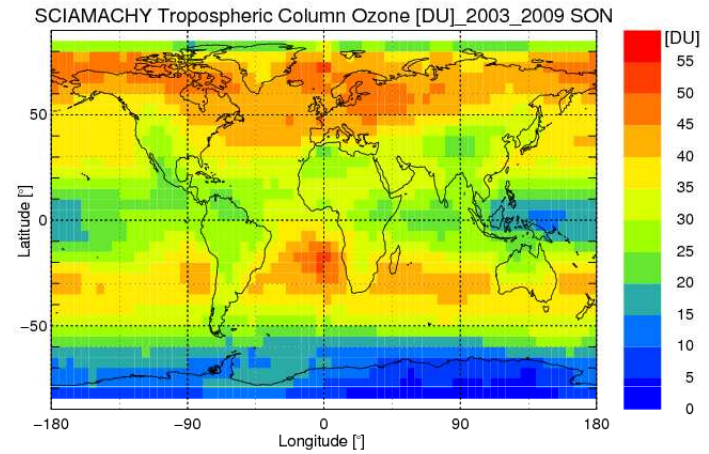
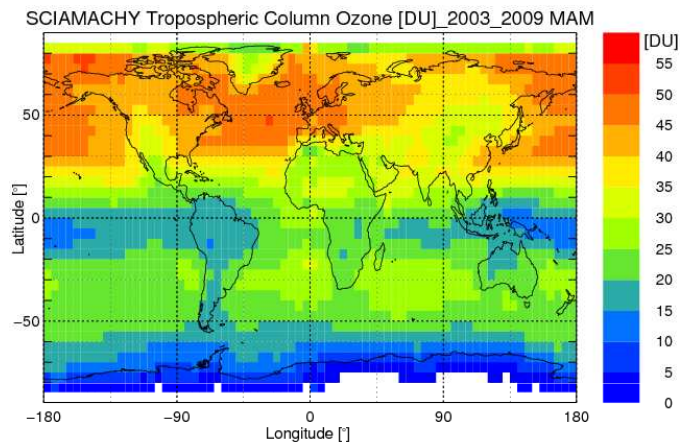


Kasatochi volcano  
Altitude: 314 m  
Latitude: 52.16° N  
Longitude: 175.51° W



Tropospheric O<sub>3</sub>

# SCIAMACHY Tropospheric O<sub>3</sub>: Total (Nadir) – Summed Profile above Tropopause (Limb)



Total Dry Column Mole  
fraction CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub>

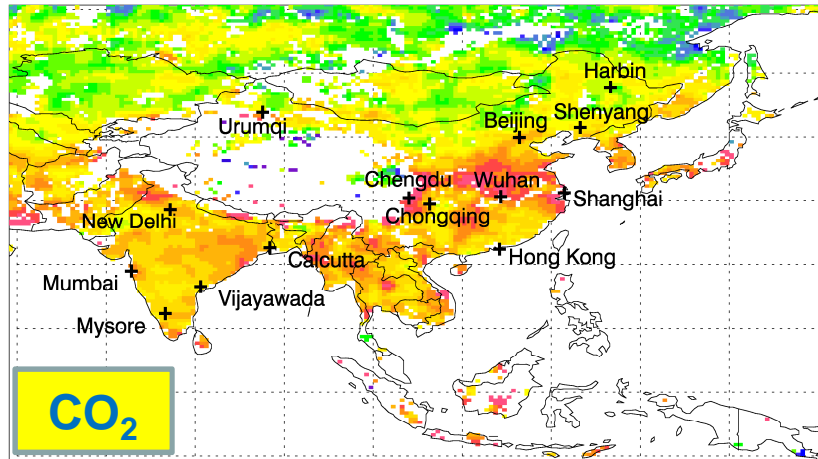
**Carbon  
dioxide and  
methane**



# SCIAMACHY „Carbon gases“ CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, CO

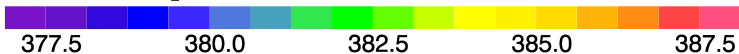


Carbon Dioxide SCIAMACHY/BESD 2006-2011



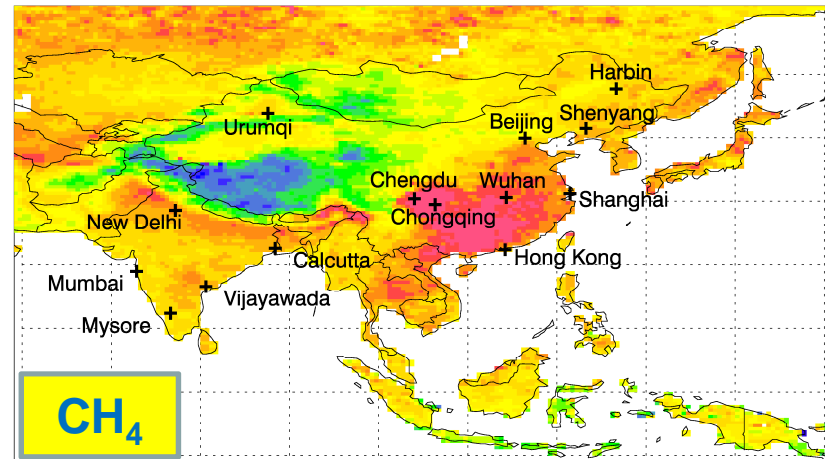
CO<sub>2</sub>

CO<sub>2</sub> column averaged mixing ratio [ppm]



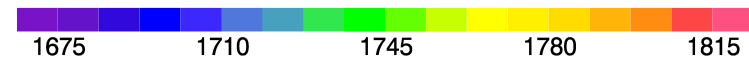
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Methane SCIAMACHY/WFMD 2003-2005



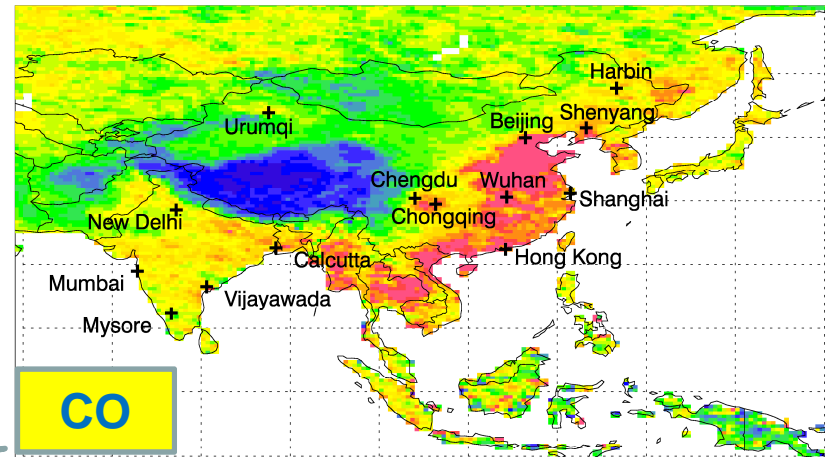
CH<sub>4</sub>

Methane column averaged mixing ratio [ppb]



Univ.Bremen, IUP/IFE WFMDv2.0.2/L3(0.5x0.5)/nsm=0

Carbon monoxide SCIAMACHY/WFMD 2004



CO

CO vertical column [10<sup>18</sup> molec./cm<sup>2</sup>]



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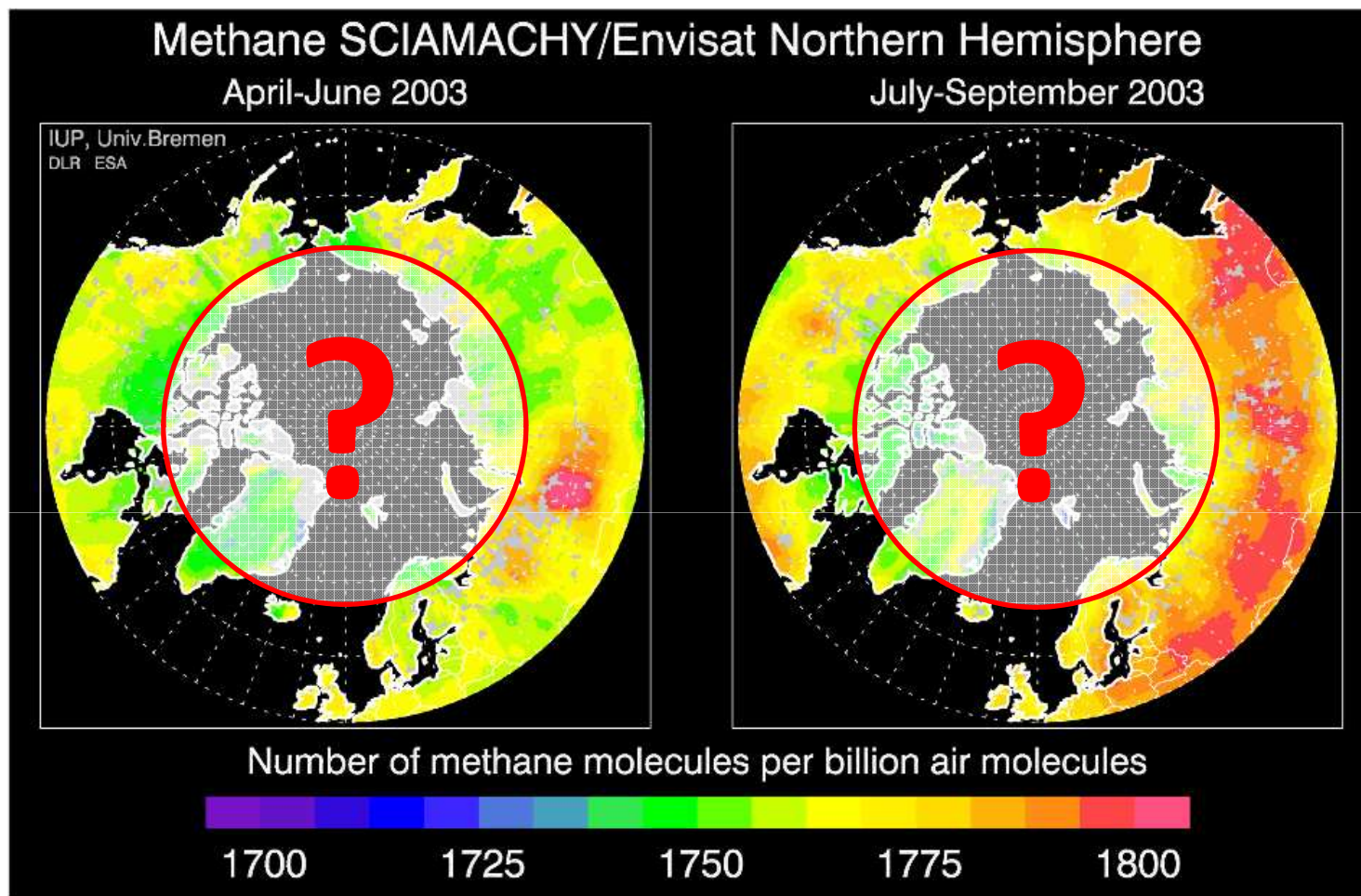
Natural uptake and release,  
anthropogenic emissions

Anthropogenic and natural  
emissions (rice, wetlands, ...)

Anthropogenic and  
biomass burning emissions



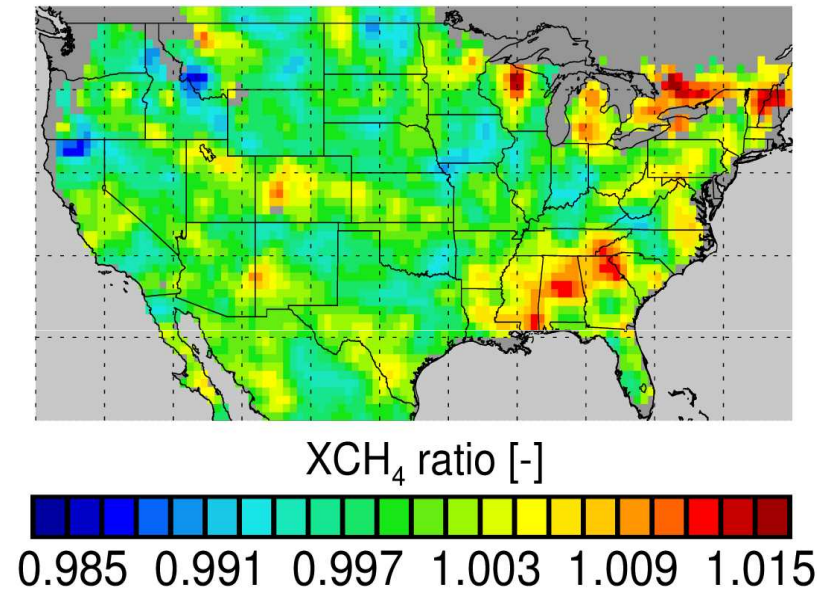
# Methane @ high latitudes



Future observation of methane in vulnerable high latitude regions including Arctic sea and shelf areas.      Very difficult with SCIAMACHY & GOSAT. Not possible with OCO.

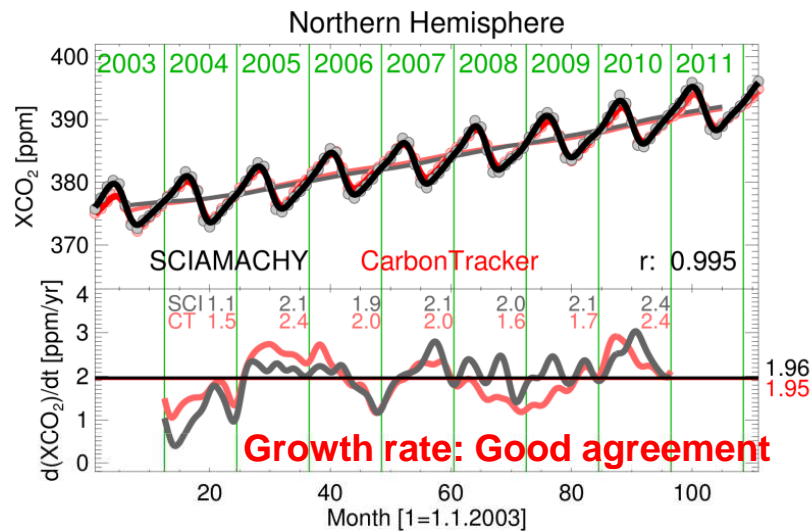
# Shale Gas increase and other changes in CH<sub>4</sub> from 2003-2008 and 2009 to 2011

XCH<sub>4</sub> SCIA 2009-2011/2006-2008

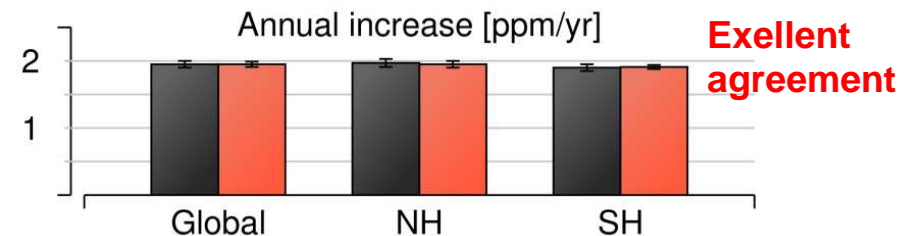
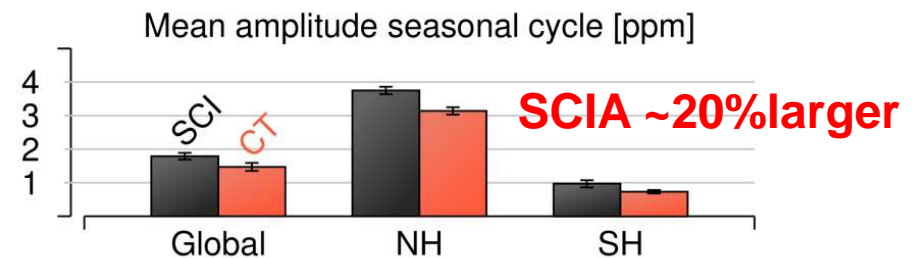
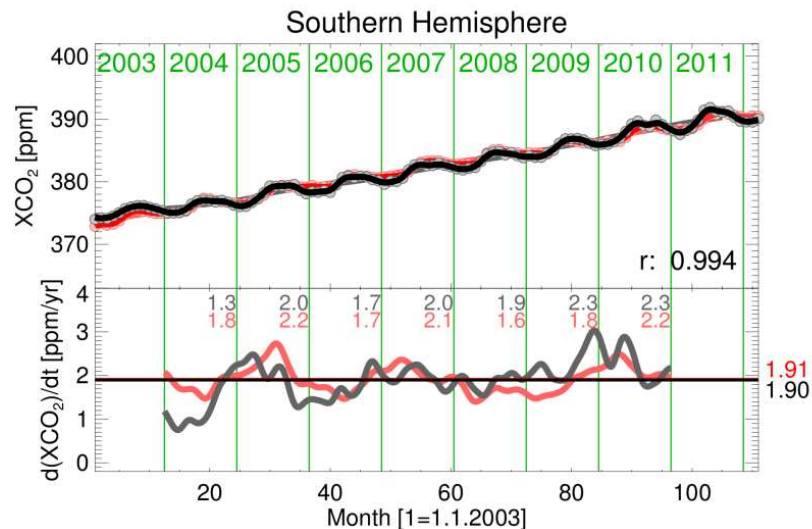
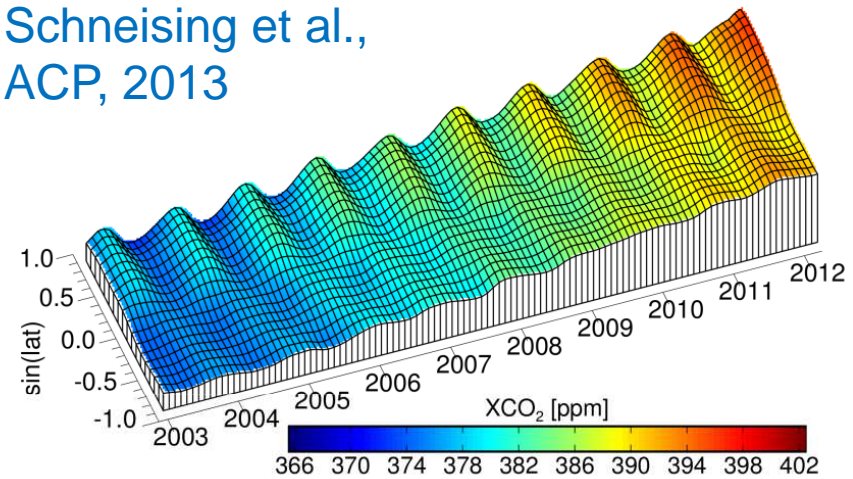




# Model comparison: SCIAMACHY/WFMD XCO<sub>2</sub> versus NOAA's CarbonTracker



Schneising et al.,  
ACP, 2013

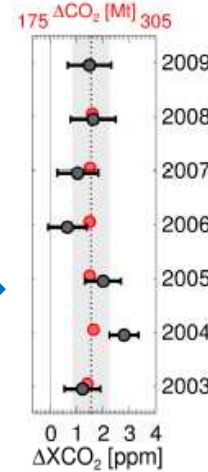
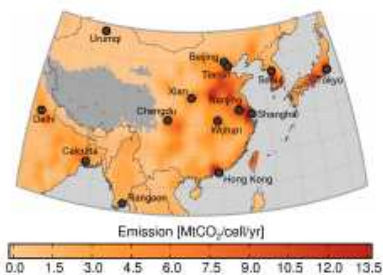
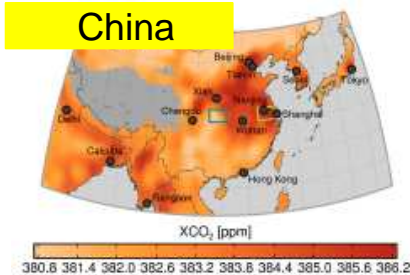
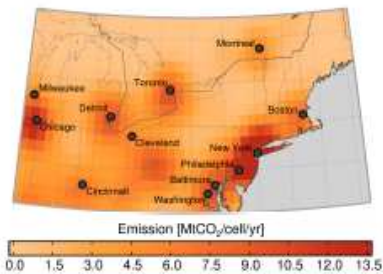
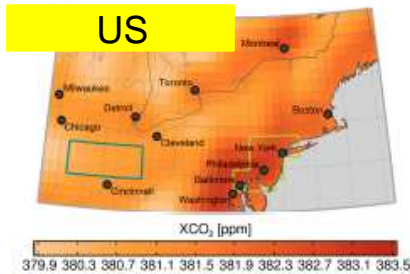
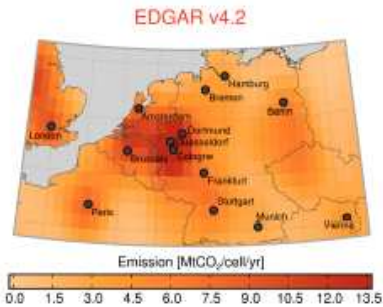
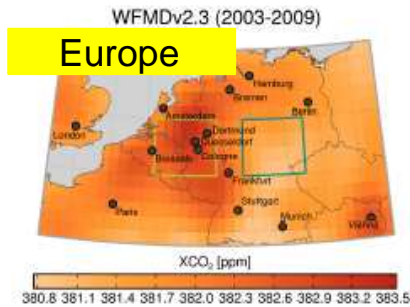


# Carbon Cycle Applications: CO<sub>2</sub> over major anthropogenic source regions



## SCIAMACHY XCO<sub>2</sub>

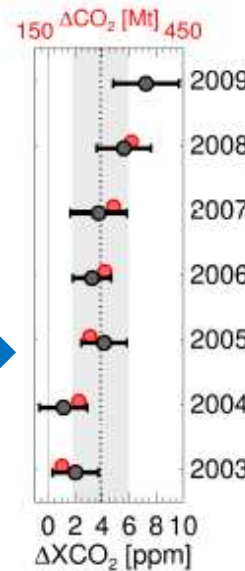
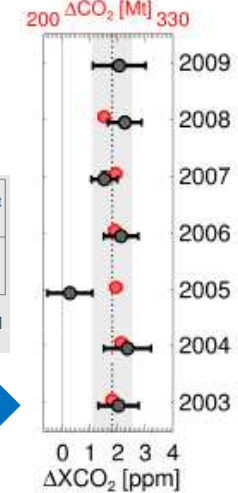
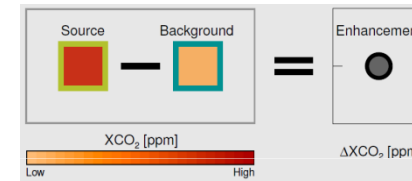
## EDGAR CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



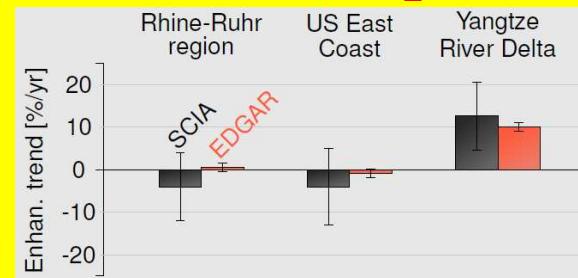
Schneising et al., 2013

## SCIAMACHY EDGAR

Regional enhancement =  
Source - Background



## Trend [%CO<sub>2</sub>/yr]



**EDGAR emissions  
consistent with SCIAMACHY**



# Carbon sink issues: Boreal forest carbon uptake?



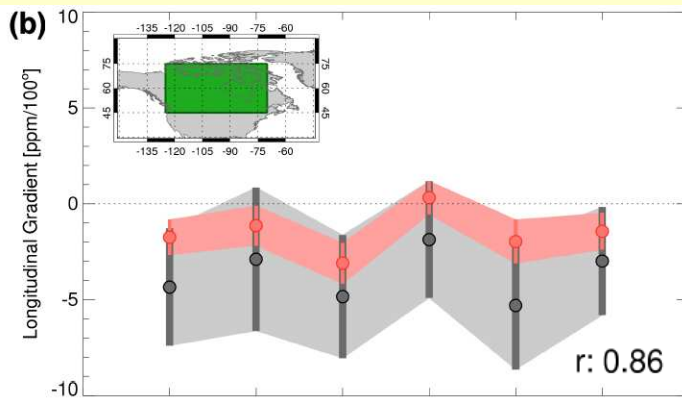
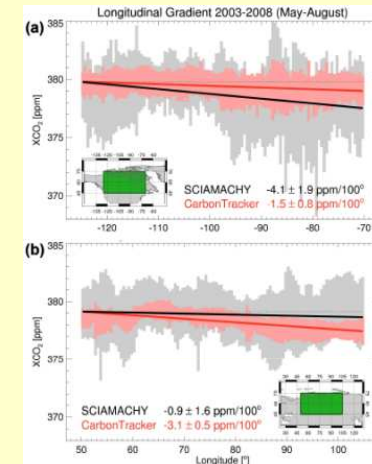
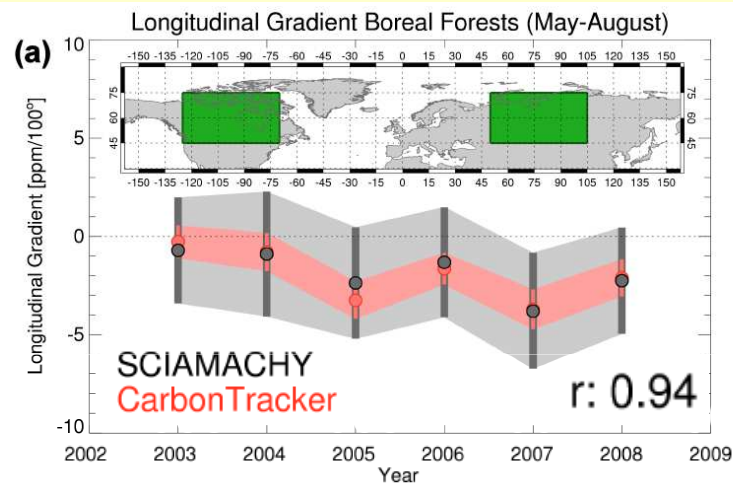
Approach: Analysis of XCO<sub>2</sub> longitudinal gradients (along wind) during growing season:

Schneising et al., ACP, 2011

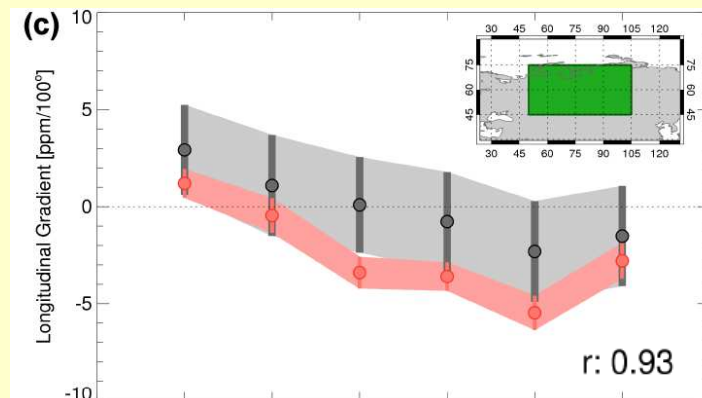


Overall:  
Excellent agreement !

## SCIAMACHY vs CarbonTracker



Canada: Stronger uptake !?



Siberia: Weaker uptake !?



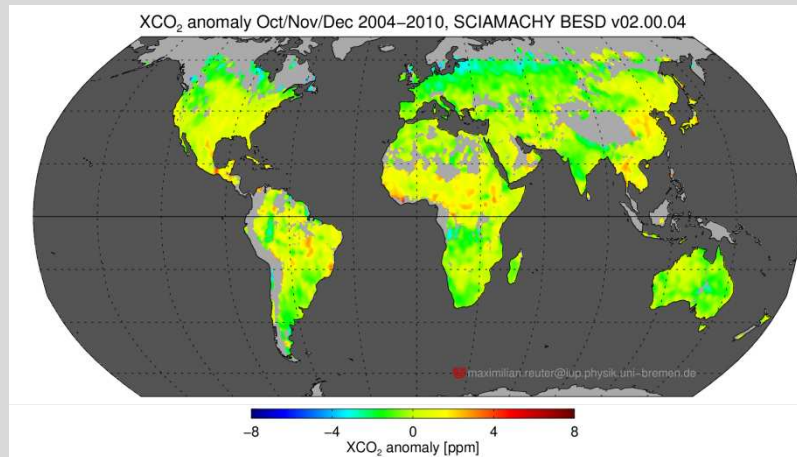
# SCIAMACHY/BESD XCO<sub>2</sub>: Initial CO<sub>2</sub> flux inversion



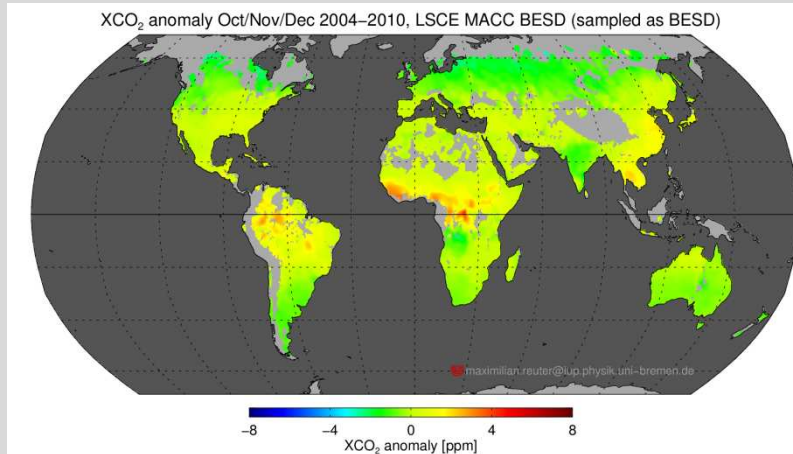
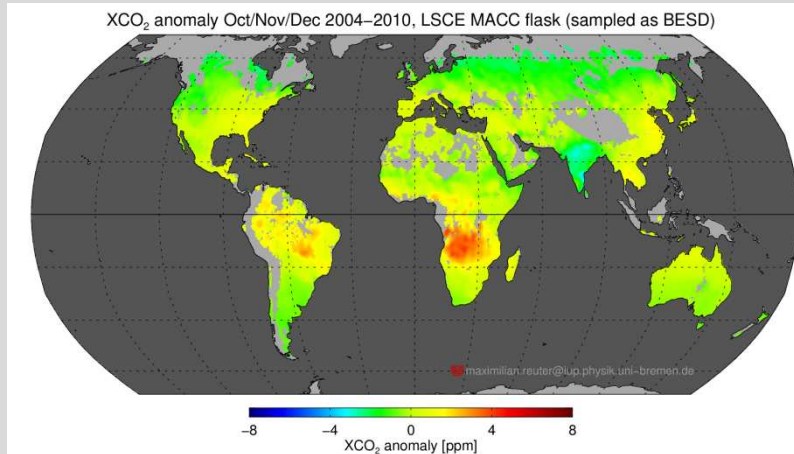
**SCIA BESD**

**Satellite** →

**Model  
(flasks assimilated)**



**Model  
(satellite assimilated)**



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