





Stratospheric Temperature and Ozone Sounding with ENVISAT/GOMOS Stellar Occultation

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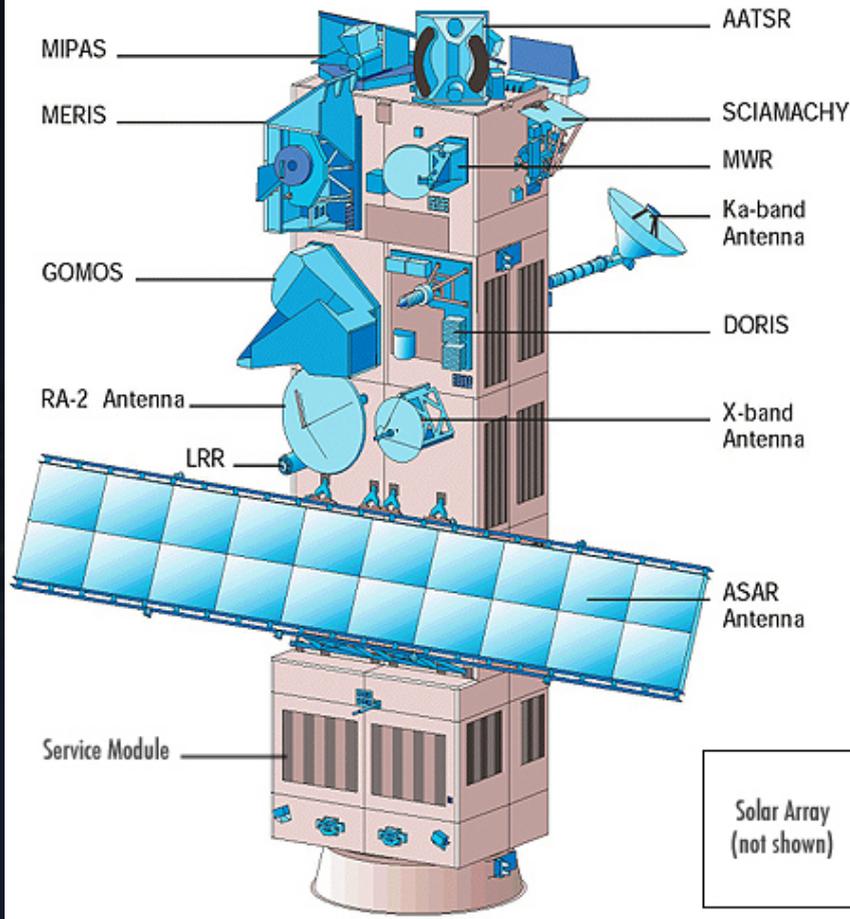
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the ENVISAT mission

- Launch with Ariane 5 on 1st March 2002, 1:07:59 UT
- Mission duration > 5 years
- Sun-synchronous orbit: inclination 98 deg, ~800 km altitude
- Ten instruments on-board: ASAR, GOMOS, LRR, MIPAS, MERIS, MWR, RA-2, AATSR, DORIS, SCIAMACHY
- Simultaneous monitoring of land, oceans, ice fields and the atmosphere

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the ENVISAT satellite





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the GOMOS sensor concept

- Atmospheric profiles by stellar occultation method ($\sim 15 - 90$ km)
- Two Spectrometers
 - A: 248 - 371 nm (UV), 387 - 693 nm (VIS)
 - B: 750 - 776 nm (IR1), 915 - 956 nm (IR2)
- Two broad-band Photometers with 1 kHz sampling rate
 - 466 - 528 nm, 644 - 705 nm
- Self-calibrated transmission data (normalized intensities)
- Profiles of O_3 , NO_2 , NO_3 , BrO, OClO, O_2 , water vapor, air density, temperature and turbulence



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the star tracking unit

- SFM (steering front mechanism) acquires the star image
 - angular range: $\pm 26^\circ$
 - maintains the position and rotates the mirror
- SFA (steering front assembly) with 5 Hz sampling
 - azimuth angle: -11° to 91°
 - elevation angle: 61.7° To 69°
- SATU (star acquisition and tracking unit) with 100Hz sampling
 - nominal and redundant star tracker
 - image of the observed star at focal length of 630 nm
 - SATU errors are between $\sim \pm 10 \mu\text{rad}$ in both directions



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Forward Modeling and Retrieval

the forward model

- Observed-Transmission model basic formula (no defocusing):

$$T_{obs} = \int_{\Delta t} \int_{\Delta \vartheta} \int_{\Delta \lambda} T_v(\lambda, \vartheta, t) W(\lambda, \vartheta, t) d\lambda d\vartheta dt$$

- Modeled atmospheric transmission given by Beer-Bouguer-Lambert law

$$T_v(t) = \frac{I_v(t)}{I_v(0)} = \exp \left[- \int_{x_S(t)}^{x_G(t)} \sum_i n_i(s') \sigma_{iv}(s') ds' \right]$$

- no finite field of view integration needed, no aerosol extinction used
- CIRA-86 or MSIS-90 models used for bulk atmosphere and standard profiles for trace species O_3 , NO_2 , and NO_3

the forward model

- Absorption cross sections for O_3 , NO_2 , and NO_3
- Scattering cross section (Rayleigh scattering)
- realistic refractive path by fast 3D raytracing
- realistic geometry used and Earth's shape approximated by WGS-84
- channel selection (260, 280, 290, 295, 305, 310, 320, 328, 330, 600, 610 nm)
 - O_3 Hartley band ($\sim 200 - 300$ nm)
 - slight temperature dependencies and NO_2 sensitivity
- standard GOMOS 2Hz sampling of transmission data \rightarrow 1.5 km spacing

connecting the forward and the retrieval model

- the forward model reads

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

- \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} ... measurement and state vector
- \mathbf{K} ... forward model operator, Jacobian matrix ($m \times n$)
- $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$... measurement error vector
- rows of Jacobian \mathbf{K} can be interpreted as “weighting functions”

- the direct inversion reads

$$\mathbf{x}_r = \mathbf{K}^{-g} \mathbf{y}$$

- ill-conditioned problem at high altitudes
- over-determined for $m > n$

the retrieval model

- Optimal estimation
 - incorporates sensibly *a priori* knowledge
 - statistically optimal combination of unbiased measurements and prior data
- fast converging iterative optimal estimation scheme

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \mathbf{x}_{ap} + \mathbf{S}_i \mathbf{K}_i^T \mathbf{S}_\varepsilon^{-1} \left[(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}_i) + \mathbf{K}_i (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{ap}) \right]$$

$$\mathbf{S}_i = \left(\mathbf{K}_i^T \mathbf{S}_\varepsilon^{-1} \mathbf{K}_i + \mathbf{S}_{ap}^{-1} \right)^{-1}$$

- \mathbf{S}_ε ... observation and forward modeling error covariance matrix
- \mathbf{S}_i ... retrieval error covariance matrix
- \mathbf{S}_{ap} ... *a priori* error covariance matrix
- \mathbf{x}_{ap} ... *a priori* profile
- \mathbf{x}_{i+1} ... *retrieved* profile (iteration i)

bending angles and refractive index

- exploitation of bending angles (α) data (SFA/SATU)
- direct inversion of the refractive index (Abel Transform)

$$\alpha(a) = 2a \int_{r=r_0}^{r=\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 r^2 - a_0^2}} \frac{d \ln(n)}{dr} dr$$

$$n(r_0) = \exp \left[\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha=\alpha(a_0)}^{\alpha_0} \ln \left(\frac{a(\alpha)}{a_0} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{a(\alpha)}{a_0} \right)^2 - 1} \right) d\alpha \right]$$

- r ... radius at tangent point
- a ... impact parameter

optimized bending angles

- statistical optimization to find the most probable bending angle profile

$$\alpha_{opt} = \alpha_b + (\mathbf{B}^{-1} + \mathbf{O}^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{B}^{-1} (\alpha_0 - \alpha_b)$$

- α_{opt} ... most probable bending angle profile
 - α_0 ... observed bending angle profile (ionosphere-corrected)
 - α_b ... background (*a priori*) bending angle profile (from climatology)
 - \mathbf{O} observation error covariance matrix
 - \mathbf{B} background error covariance matrix
- high altitudes: α_{opt} determined by climatology
 - low altitudes: α_{opt} determined by observed data

refractivity, pressure and temperature

- refractivity (N) converted to pressure (p) by integration of the hydrostatic equation

$$N(r) = (n(r) - 1) \times 10^6$$

$$p(r) = -b_1 \int_z^\infty N(r') g(r') dr' \quad \text{with} \quad b_1 = 4.489 \times 10^{-5} \text{ hPa s}^2/\text{m}^2$$

- temperature obtained from p and N by equation of state

$$T(r) = c_1 \frac{p(r)}{N(r)} \quad \text{with} \quad c_1 = 82.86 \text{ K/hPa}$$

at 300 nm slightly λ -dependent



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error modeling, first ten O_3 *a priori* error patterns

- error patterns from \mathbf{S}_{ap} (20% uncertainty, 6 km vertical correlation length)

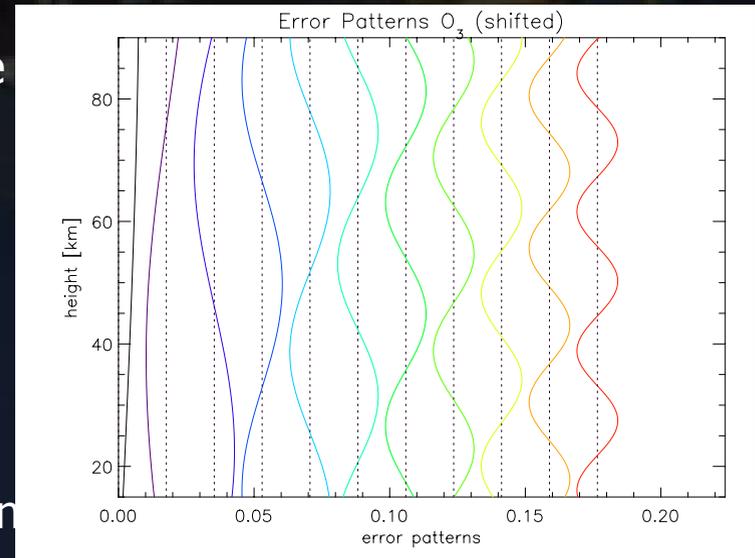
$$\mathbf{S}_{ap} = \sum_i \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{e}_i^T \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{e}_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i} \mathbf{l}_i$$

- consistent \mathbf{x}_{ap} based on "true" profile

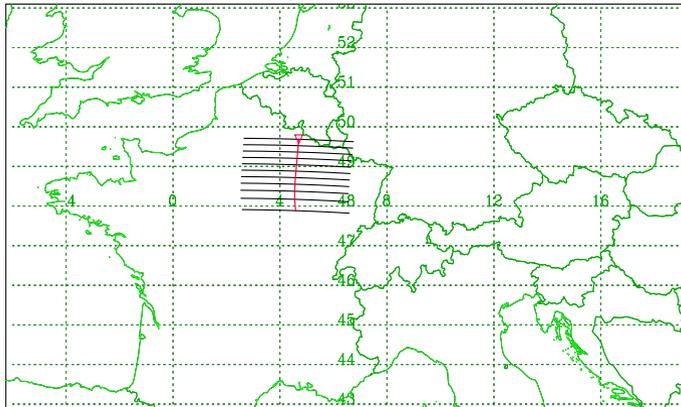
$$\mathbf{x}_{ap} = \mathbf{x}_{true} + \Delta \mathbf{x}$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{x} = \sum_i a_i \mathbf{e}_i$$

- a_i random deviates drawn from a normalized Gaussian distribution

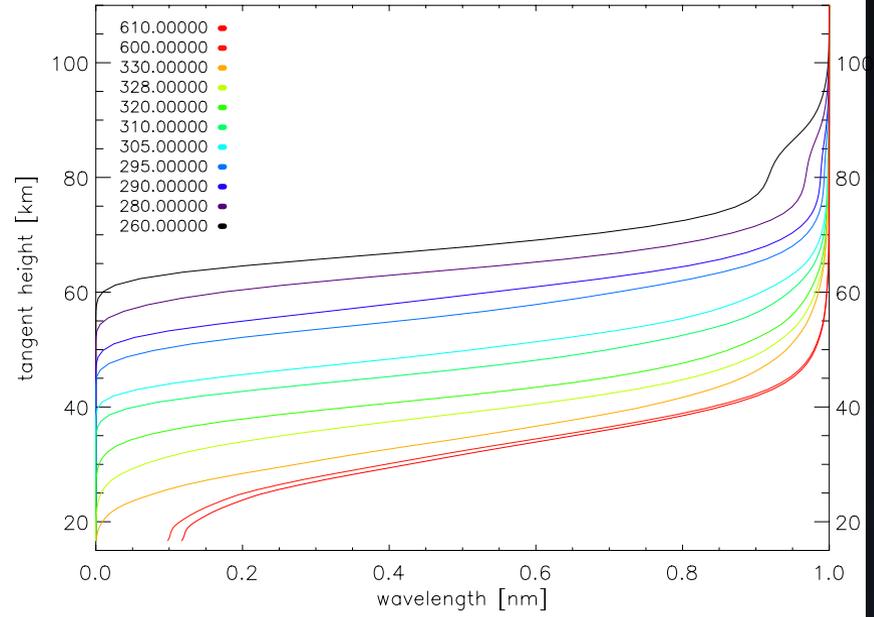


location of simulated example event and transmissions

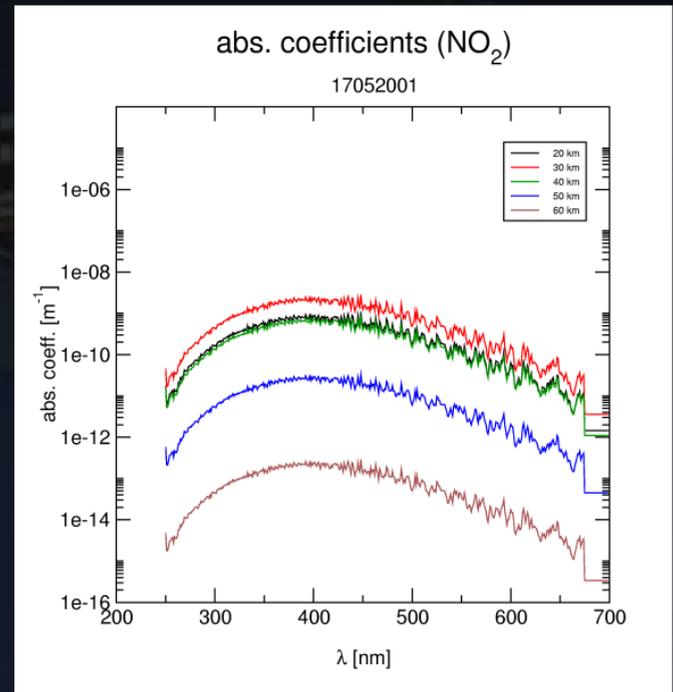
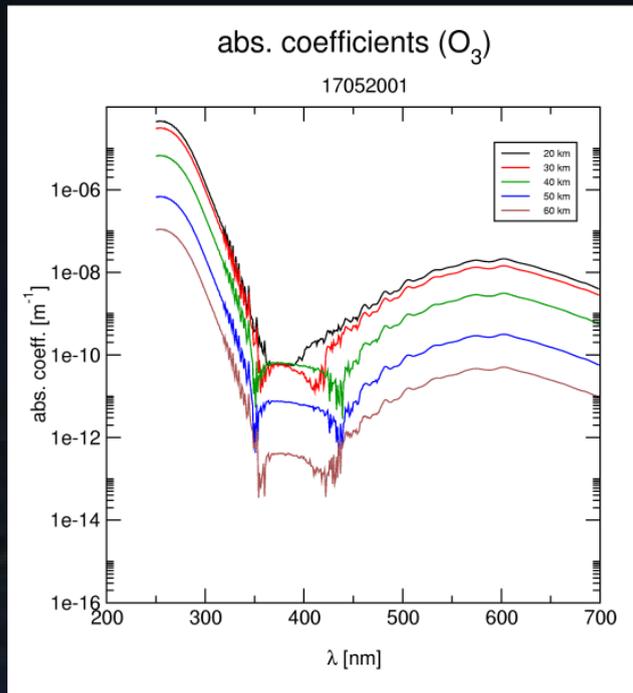


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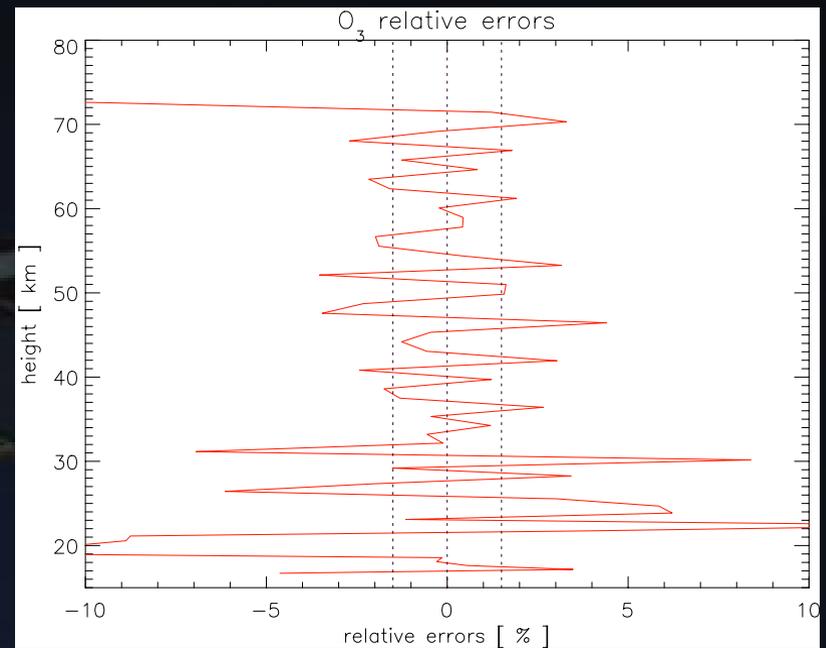
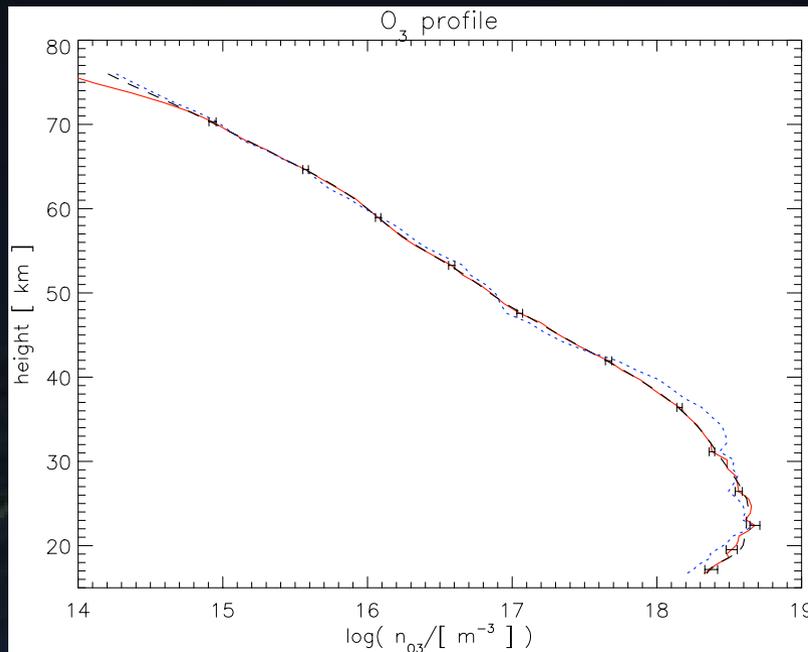
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absorption coefficients of O_3 and NO_2



retrieved O_3 profile and errors for example event



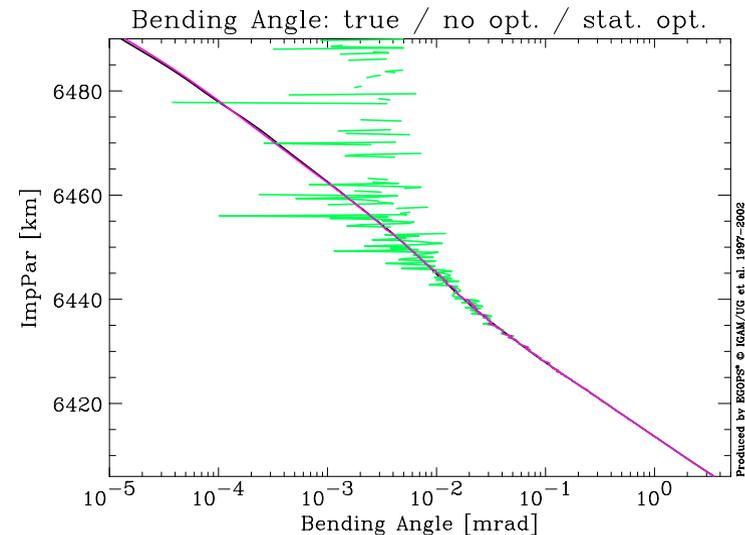
- transmission errors: GOMOS-type values of $0.01 \times (T)^{-1/2}$
- no correlation between channels assumed

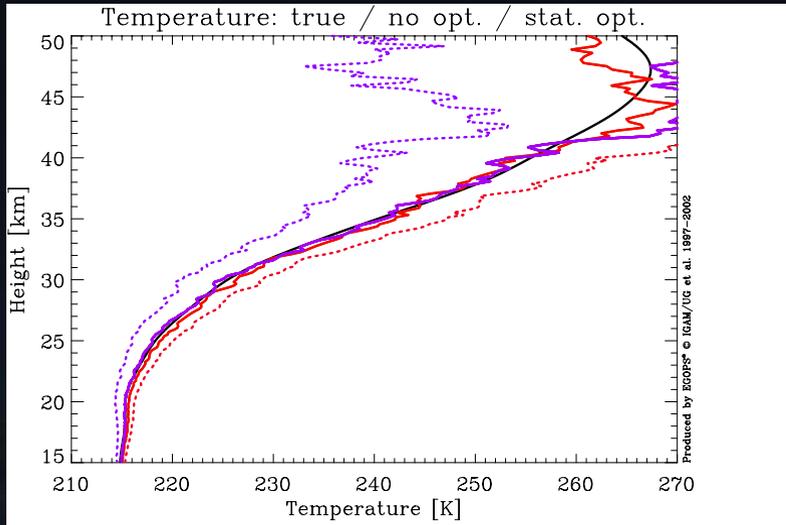
statistically optimized bending angles

- analytical background (*a priori*) covariance matrix

$$B_{ij} = \sigma_i \sigma_j e^{-\left[|a_i - a_j|/L\right]}$$

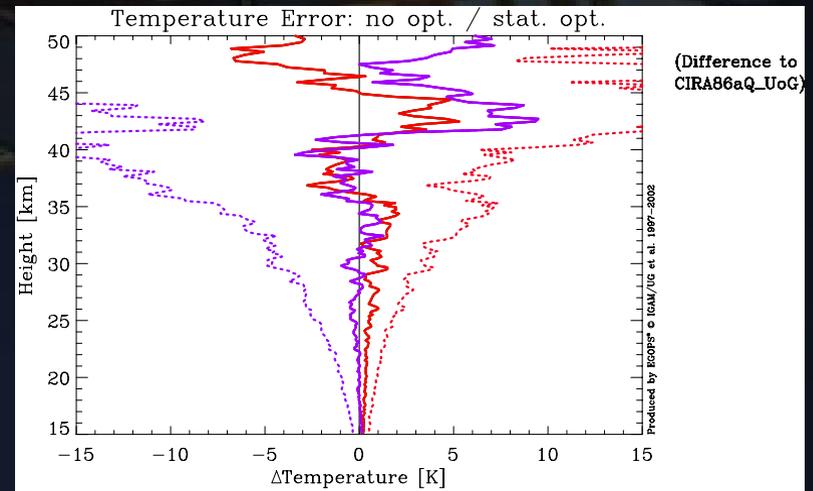
- $a_i, a_j \dots$ i th and j th impact parameter values
- $L \dots$ error correlation length = 6 km
- $\sigma_{i,j} \dots$ 20% uncertainty





temperature profiles

- errors of $3\mu\text{rad}$ superimposed (10 Hz SATU sampling rate)





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the forward model

- realistic observed transmissions from 0 - 120 km
- channel selection within 260 - 340 nm (channels outside possible)
- raytracing to be enhanced by GOMOS-measured bending angles
- along-ray integration to be updated by including aerosol extinction

the retrieval model

- simultaneous O₃ and NO₂ retrieval
- errors of retrieved O₃ profiles within expected ranges (<2%)
- performance to be further improved by
 - channel clustering
 - simultaneous estimation of O₃, NO₂, refractivity, and temperature
- best performance between 15 and 35 km (<1 K below 25 km, < 2 K below 35 km) with statistical optimization
- temperature retrieval between 15 and 50 km
- errors > 3 K above 30 km without statistical optimization
- further algorithm enhancements for use with
 - real level1b SFA/SATU data

