

Ensemble filtering using a 3d chemical-dynamical middle atmosphere model

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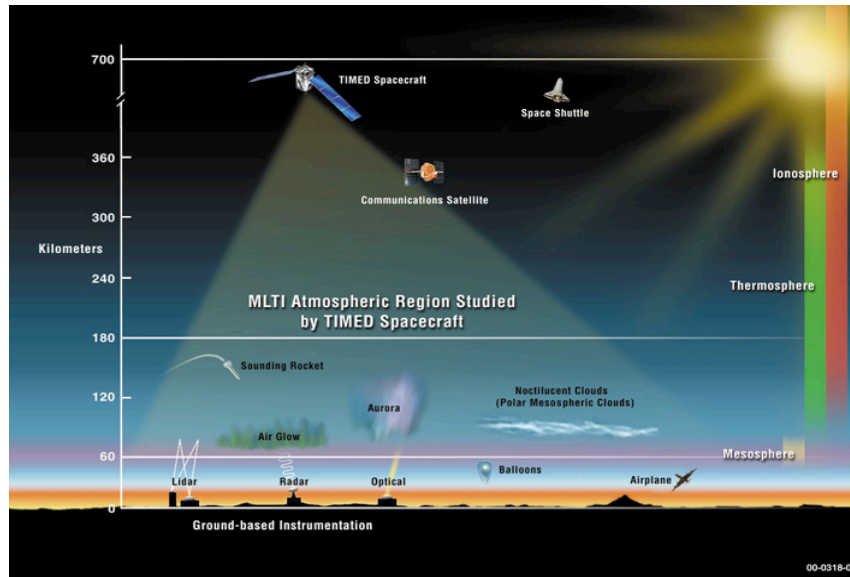
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Goal and Motivation

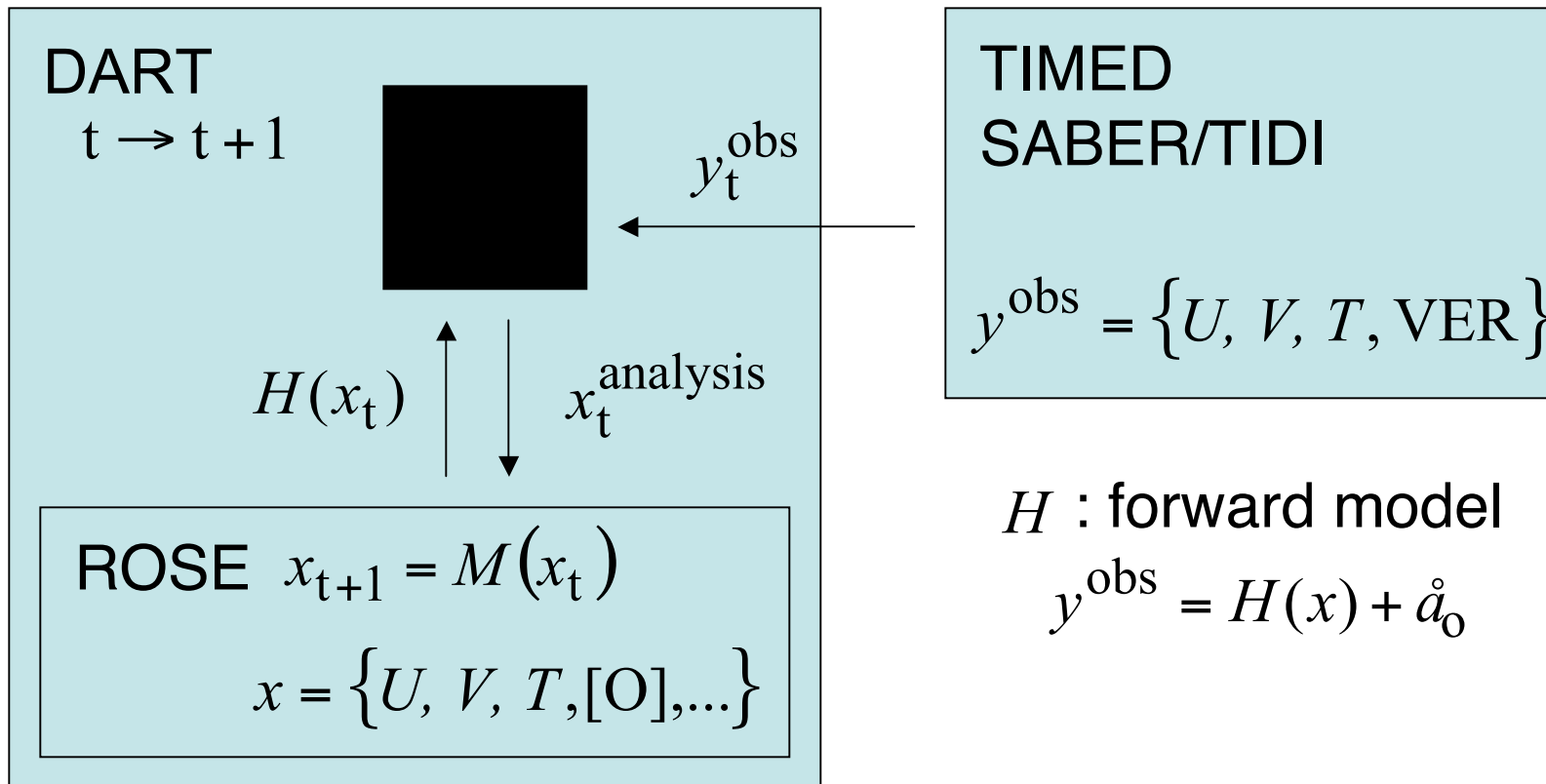


<http://www.timed.jhuapl.edu>

- Chemical and dynamical timescales are the same.
- The chemistry has been a primary diagnostic of the MLT region.

- Understand the climatology of global structure of temperature, density, and wind structure.
 - impact of wave forcing variability
- Evaluate the value of observations and the design of observing system.
- Provide insights into model physics from model-observations discrepancy. (e.g., rate coefficients, diffusion, forcing, etc...)

Overview



Data Assimilation Research Testbed

<http://www.image.ucar.edu/DARes/DART/>

ROSE 3-D chemical dynamical model

[Rose and Brasseur, 1983; 1989; Marsh et al., 2003]

Model Resolution

- 38 levels (pressure coordinate)
17.5 to 110 km by 2.5 km
- 5° latitude x 11.25° longitude
- 7.5 min time step

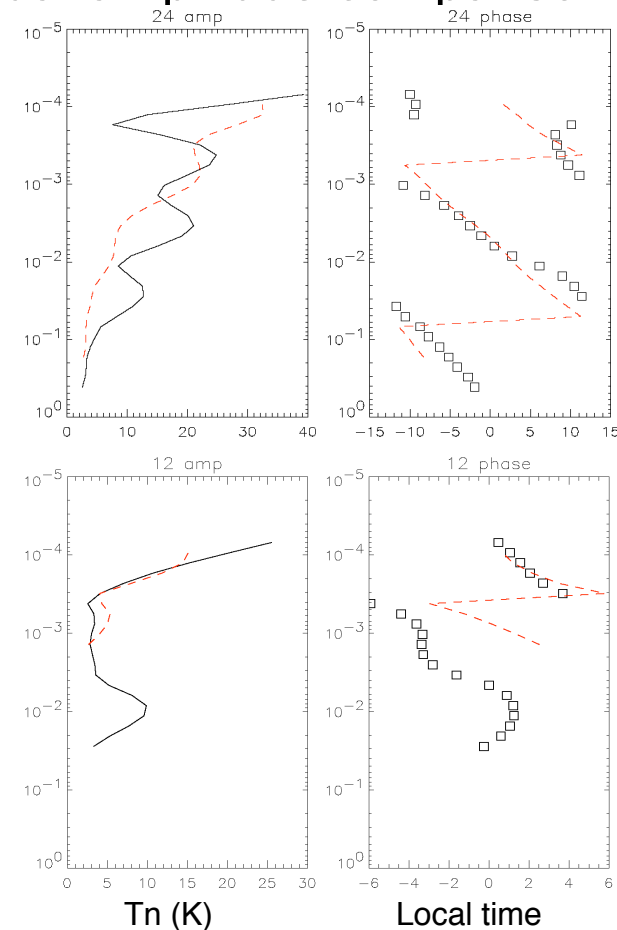
Chemistry

- 27 species, 101 gas-phase reactions (JPL-2000)
- Semi-lagrangian transport scheme
- Airglow package
- Offline D-region ion chemistry
- Photolysis rates based on TUV

Dynamics

- Primitive equations
- Hines gravity wave parameterization
- NCEP and GSWM forcing at lower boundary

Tidal amplitude comparisons

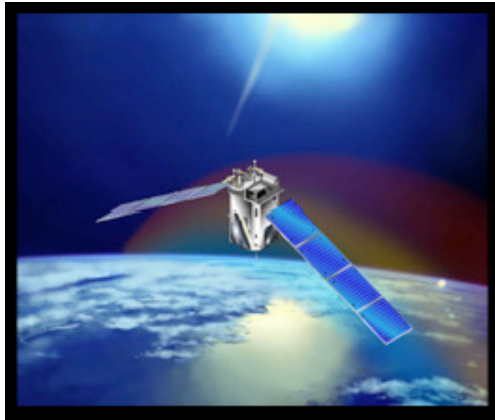


[Marsh and Smith, 2004]

Used for DA projects at Deutsches Zentrum für Luft und Raumfahrt (DLR) and Finnish Meteorological Institute



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TIMED-SABER/TIDI

TIDI Dayside Measurements

Vector Wind	O ₂ (0-0) P15	60 - 100 km
	O ₂ (0-0) P9	70 - 115 km
	OI 557.7 nm	100 - 180 km

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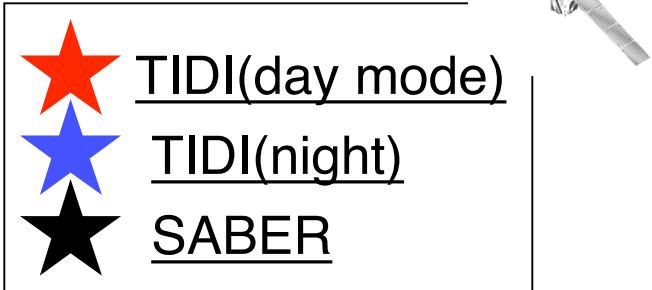
Vector Wind	O ₂ (0-0) P9	80 - 105 km
	OI 557.7 nm	90 - 110 km

SABER Measurements and Applications

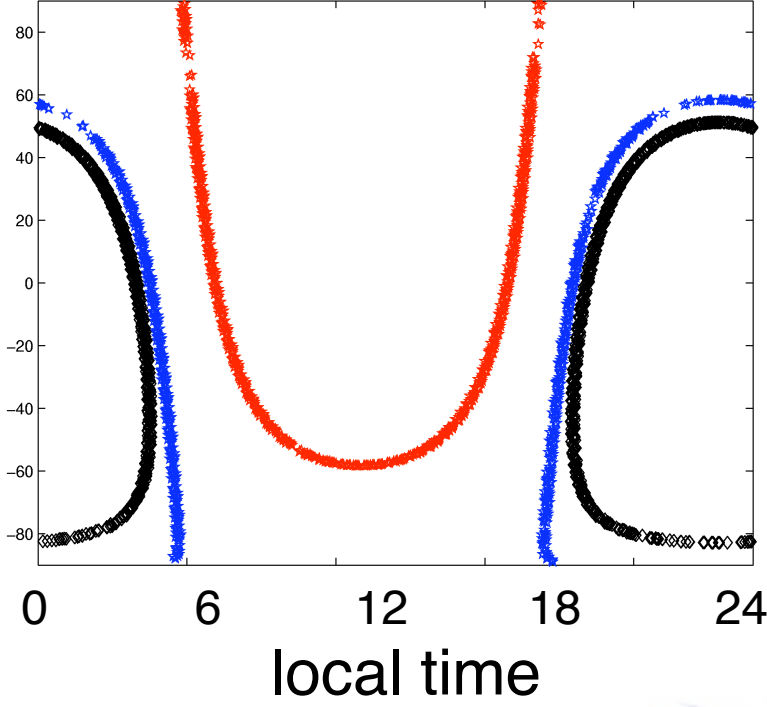
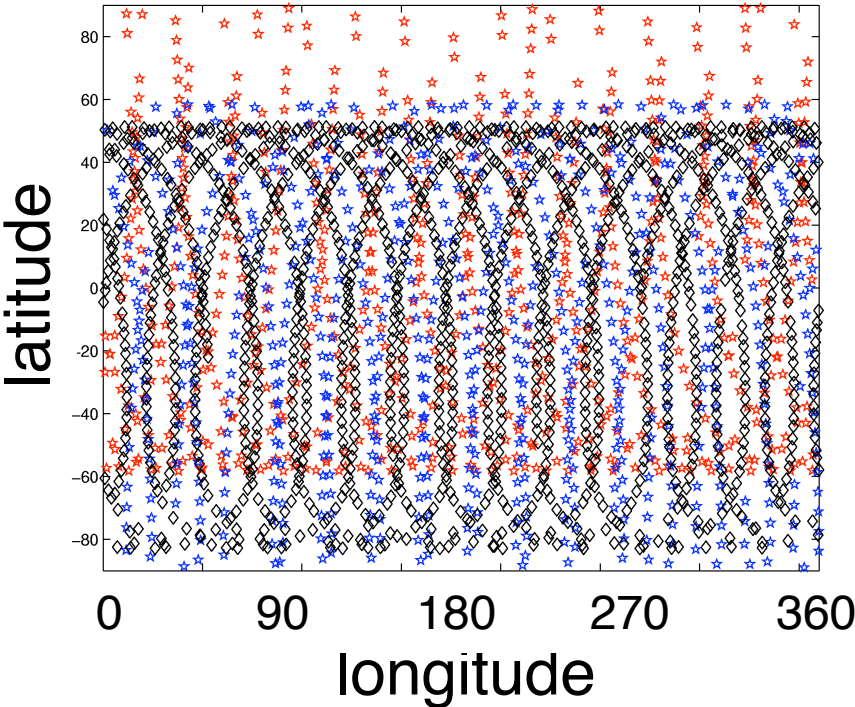
Parameter	Wavelength (μm)	Application	Altitude Range (km)
CO ₂	14.9 & 15.2	T, density, IR cooling rates, P(z), non-LTE	10-130
O ₃	9.6	O ₃ conc., cooling rates, solar heating, chemistry and dynamics studies	15-100
O ₂ (¹ Δ)	1.27	O ₃ conc. (day), inferred [O] at night, energy loss for solar heating efficiency	50-105
CO ₂	4.3	CO ₂ conc., mesosphere solar heating, tracer	85-150
OH (v)	2.0 & 1.6	HO _y chem., chemical heat source, dynamics, inference of [O] and [H], PMC studies	80-100
NO	5.3	Thermosphere cooling, NO _x chemistry	90-180
H ₂ O	6.9	HO _y source gas, dynamical tracer	15-80

Orbital characteristics of observations

Apr 21, 2002



Precession rate of TIMED:
60days to precess 12-h in local time!!



Challenge

How to formulate an ensemble data assimilation problem when the model does not exhibit natural error growth.

*MLT region is unique
strongly forced and dissipative system*

Deterministic model: $x_{t+1,i} = M_t(x_{t,i}, F_t)$

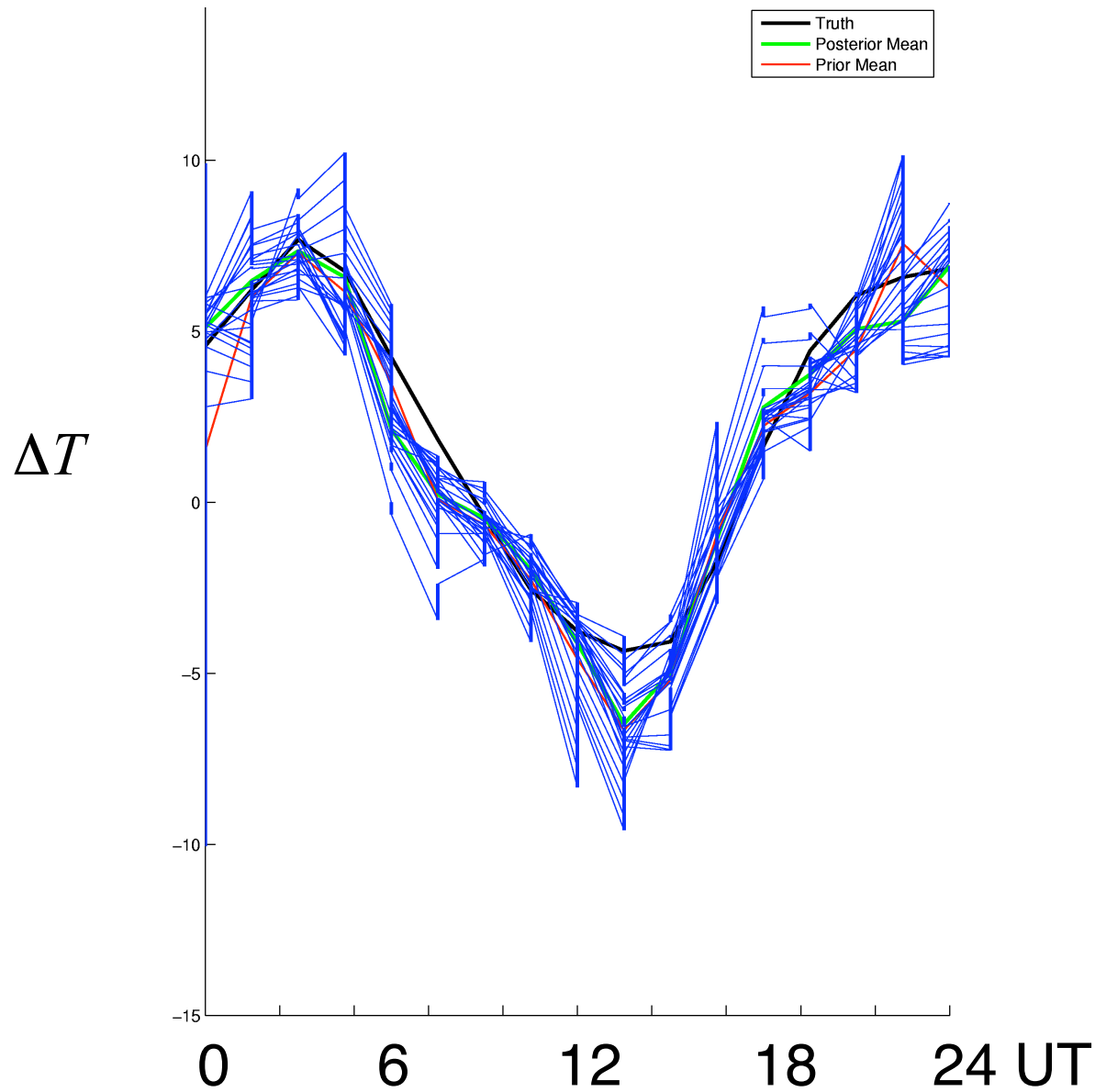
Stochastically forced model: $x_{t+1,i} = M_t(x_{t,i}, F_t + \varepsilon_{t,i}^F)$

$$\varepsilon_{t,i}^F \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \Sigma)$$

NCEP reanalysis fields at 100mb ↑

Observing System Simulation Experiments

Temperature at 85km, -2.5 lat, 225 lon



Summary

- With the DART facility, a prototype ensemble filter assimilation system for synthetic observations with ROSE model has been constructed.
- Future Work and Potential Applications:
 - Assimilation of the ground-based and satellite observations
 - Estimation of forcing and model parameters
- Challenges and Open Questions:
 - Large uncertainty in forcing
 - Model Error v.s. Observation Error: Observed day-to-day variability is significantly higher than the variability reproduced by numerical models.
 - Representativeness error estimation

$$y^{\text{obs}} = H(x) + \hat{a}_0$$

Future data sources

- Ground based (T,U,V, airglow).
- Other satellites: ODIN/OSIRIS, ENVISAT, Aura/MLS-2 ...
- MORE?

Potential Applications

- Observing system design analysis.
- Using forecasted forcing
 - Adaptive observation? (scan rate, direction of telescope)
 - e.g., Forecast of mesospheric responses to stratospheric heating
- Identification of new sciences using SABER/TIDE.