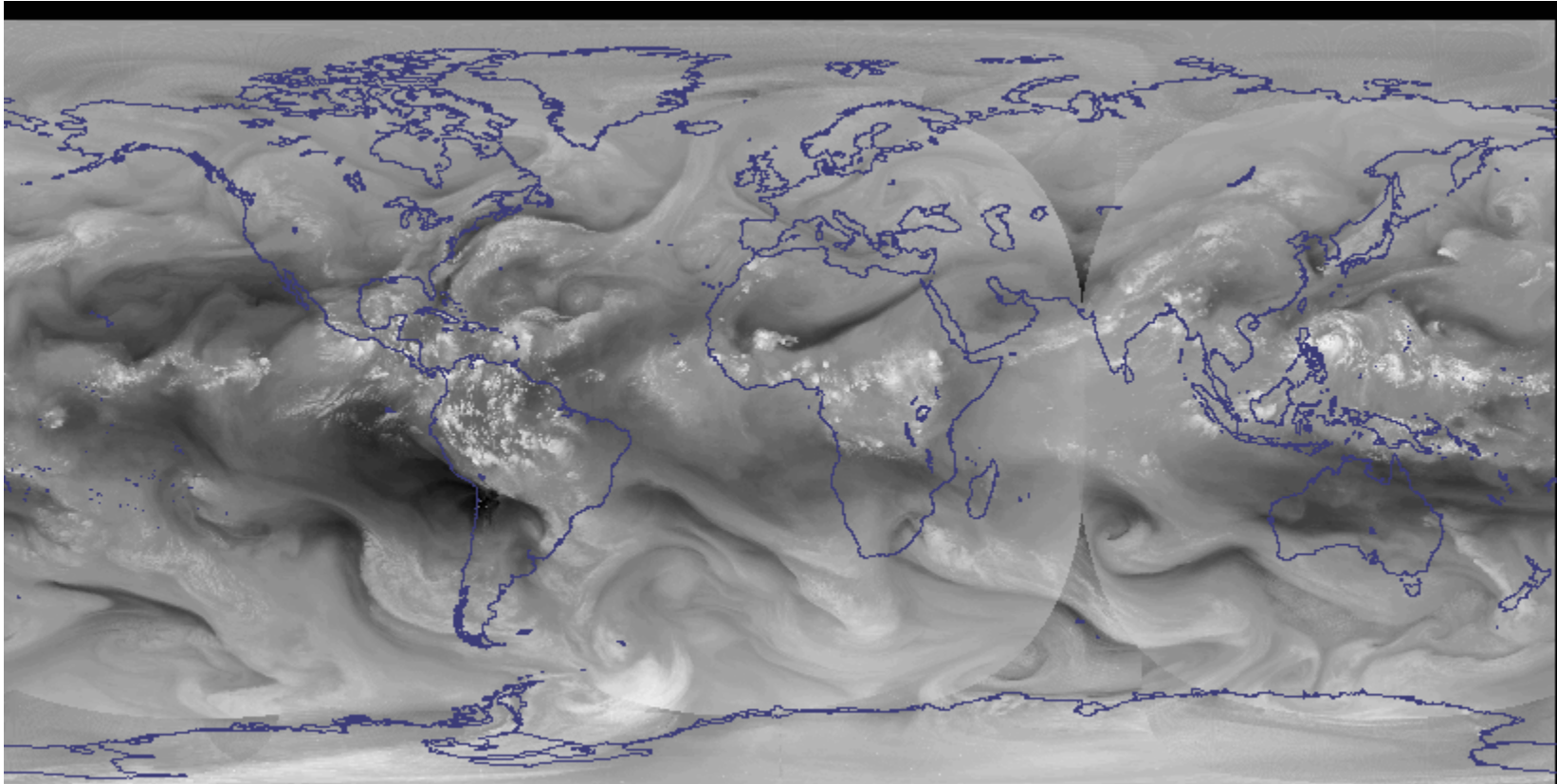


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The presentation is dedicated to the memory of Professor Heinz Lettau, who within his lectures presented the derivation of the Navier Stokes equations based on the Maxwell-Boltzmann velocity distribution law from the kinetic theory of gases.

Professor Lettau not only authored the first book on atmospheric turbulence in 1939, but demonstrated understanding of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Law by estimating the global dissipation of kinetic energy though assessing the increase of entropy. Throughout his career he demonstrated his command of the underlying principles in enumerable applications ranging from micro to global scales of atmospheric circulation.



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## Schematic of Atmospheric Energy Reservoirs and Renewal

## Schematic of Atmospheric Energy Reservoirs and Renewal (Continued)

Prepared by Professor Heinz Lettau, University of Wisconsin-Madison and shared with Donald Johnson in the mid 1960's. (See note dated without year)

Two references to Professor Lettau's interests in the balance of mass, momentum and energy for the global atmosphere circulation are:

Lettau, H. (1954a). A study of the mass, momentum and energy budget of the atmosphere. *Archiv. Meteor. Geophys. Bioklima.*, A, 7, 133-157.

Lettau, H. (1954b). Notes on the transformation of mechanical energy from eddying motion. *J. Meteorol.*, 11, 196-201.

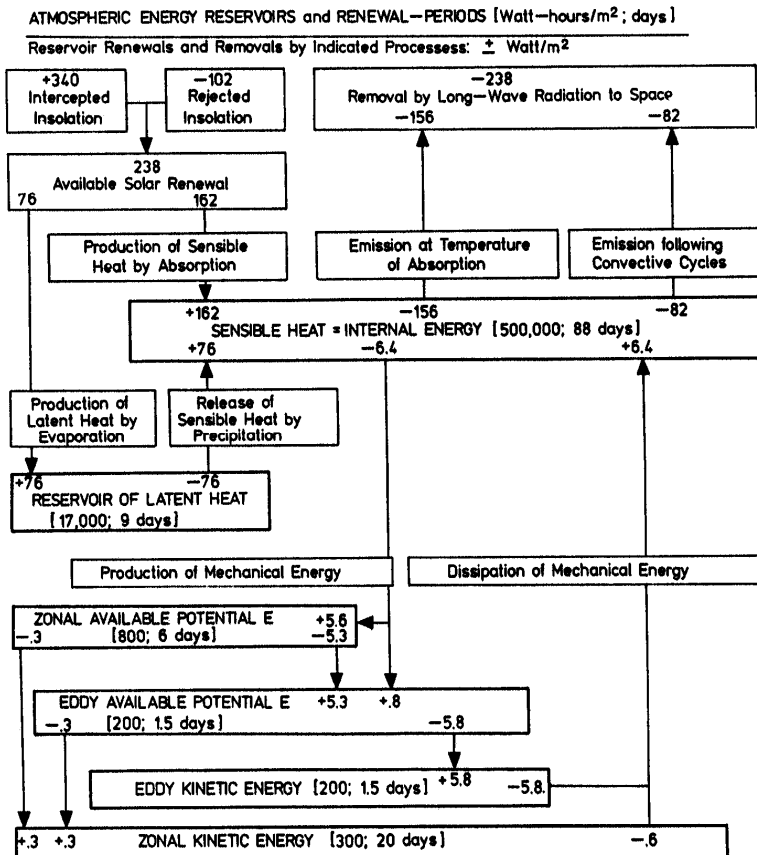
Discussions in the 60's focused on the thermal forcing of the atmosphere's global circulation and its maintenance against kinetic energy dissipation. These discussions were crucial to the development of isentropic perspectives of global monsoonal circulations.

**Note from Professor Lettau.**

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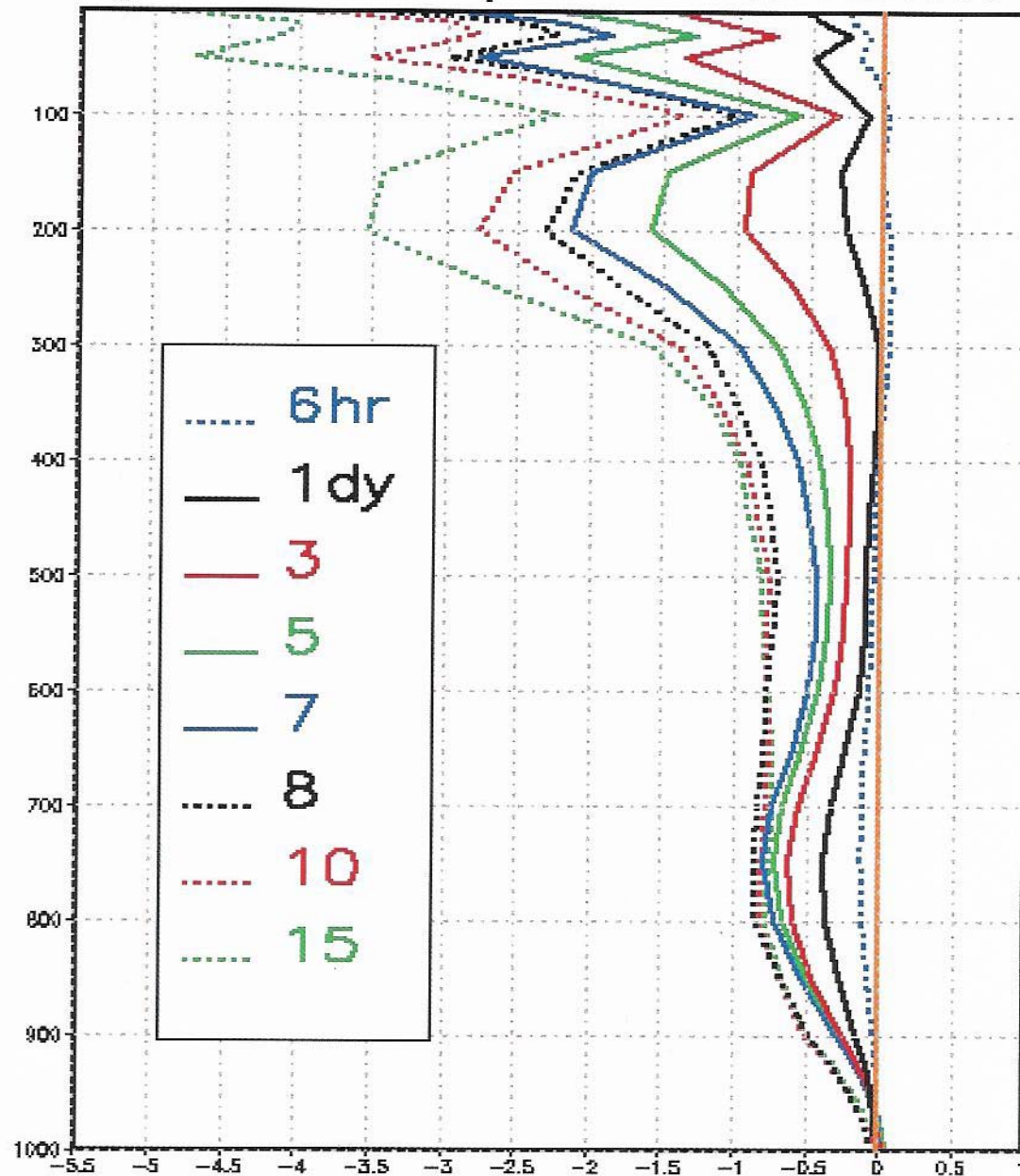
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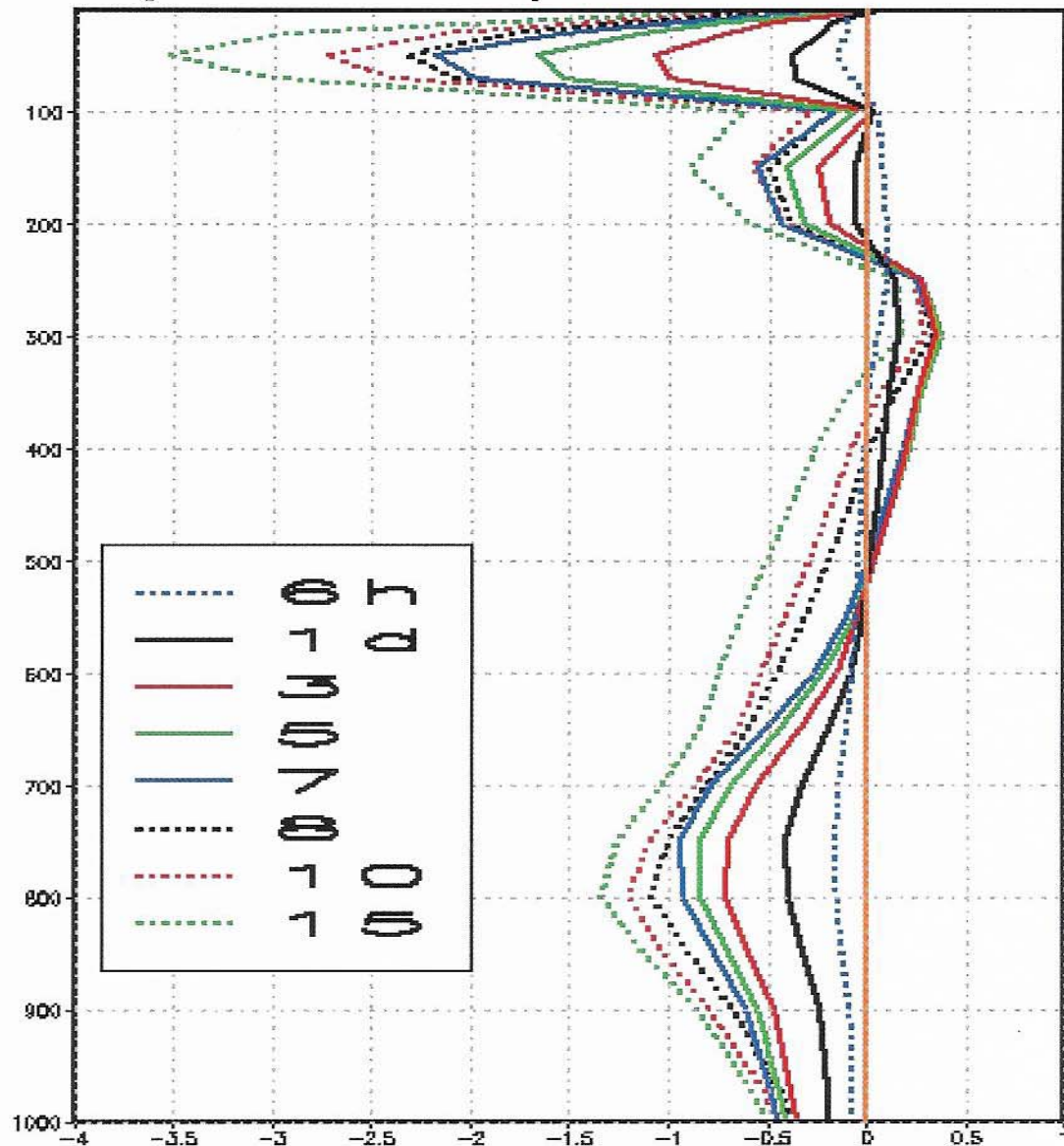




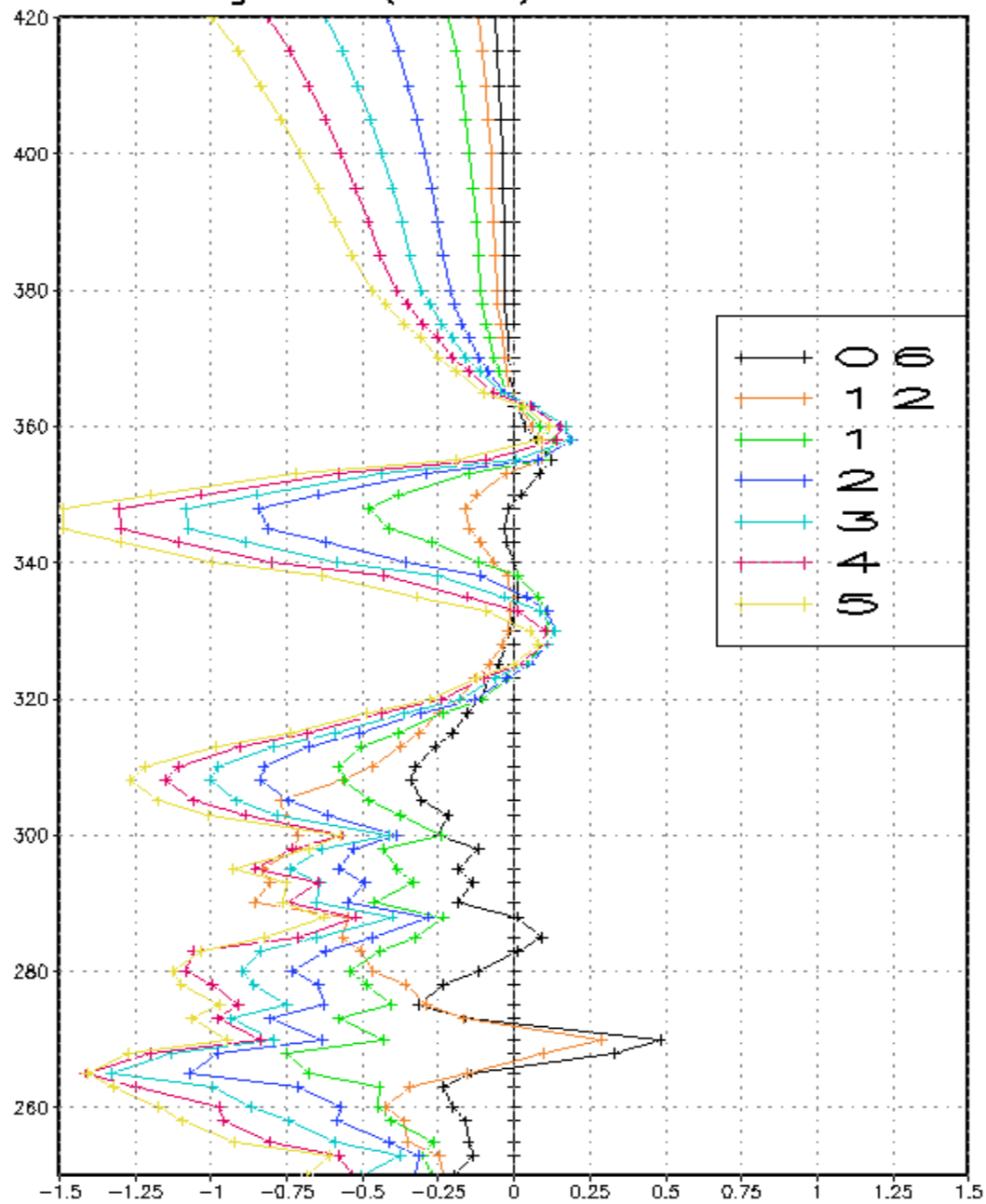
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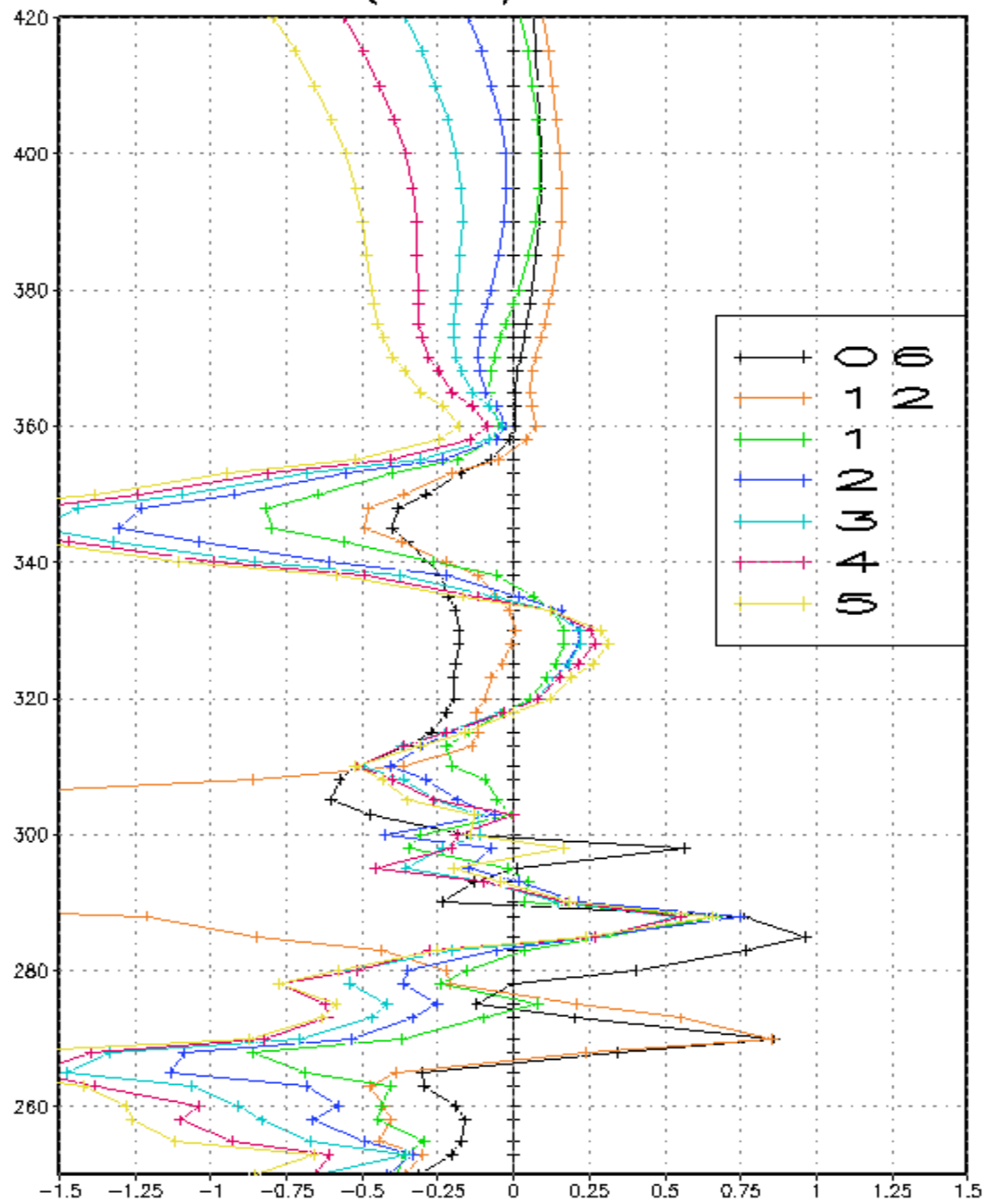
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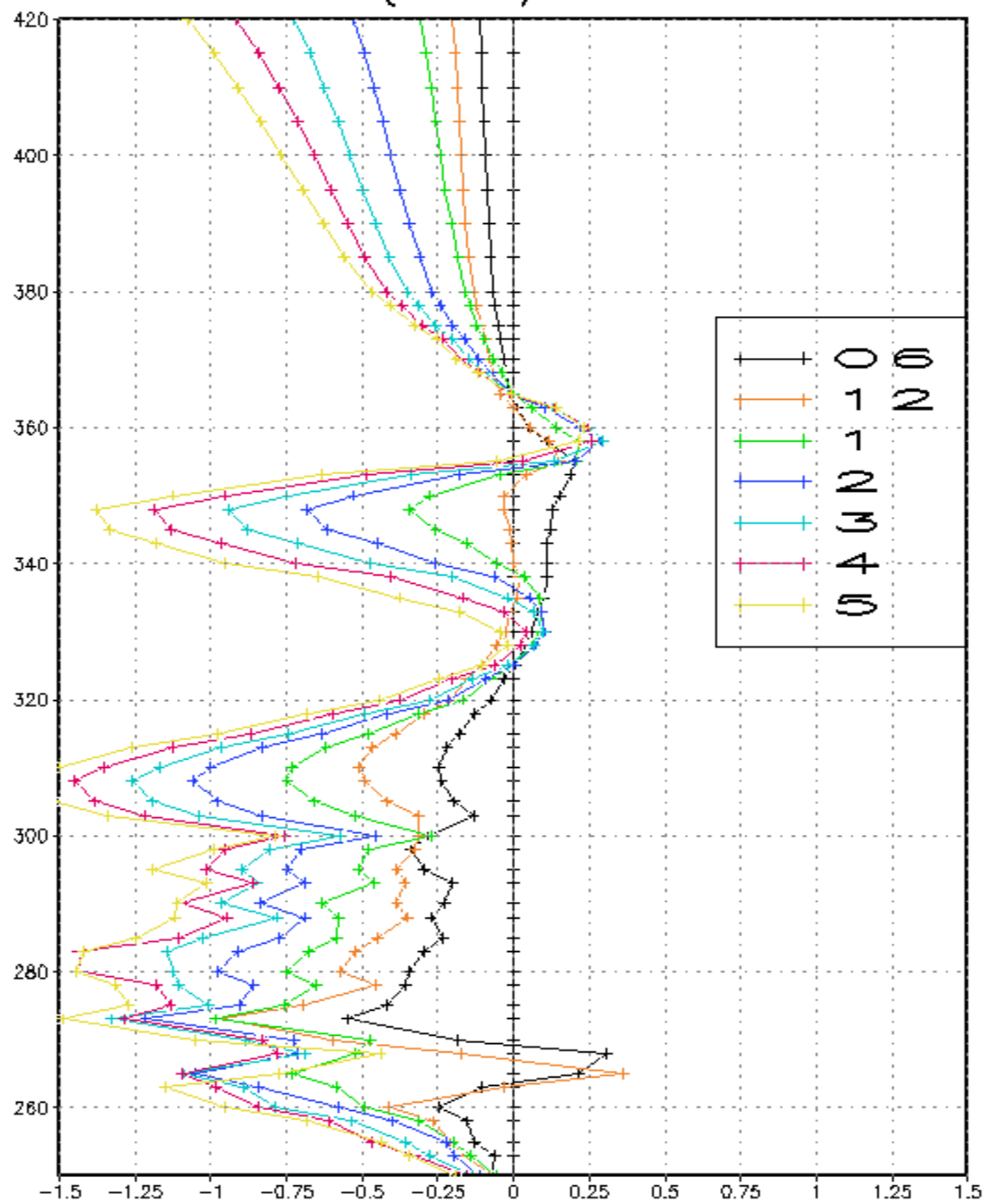
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# Caratheodory's statement of the Second Law (Sommerfeld 1950)

*“In the neighborhood of every state which can be reached reversible, there exists states which cannot be reached along a reversible adiabatic path, or in other words, which can only be reached irreversible or which cannot be reached at all.”*

Is Caratheodory's statement of the Second Law relevant to modeling of the climate state? If so, are there robust means to assess the accuracies of model in appropriately simulating reversibility, or alternatively to avoid adjacent states that should not be reached by irreversible processes?

### Predictive Variables

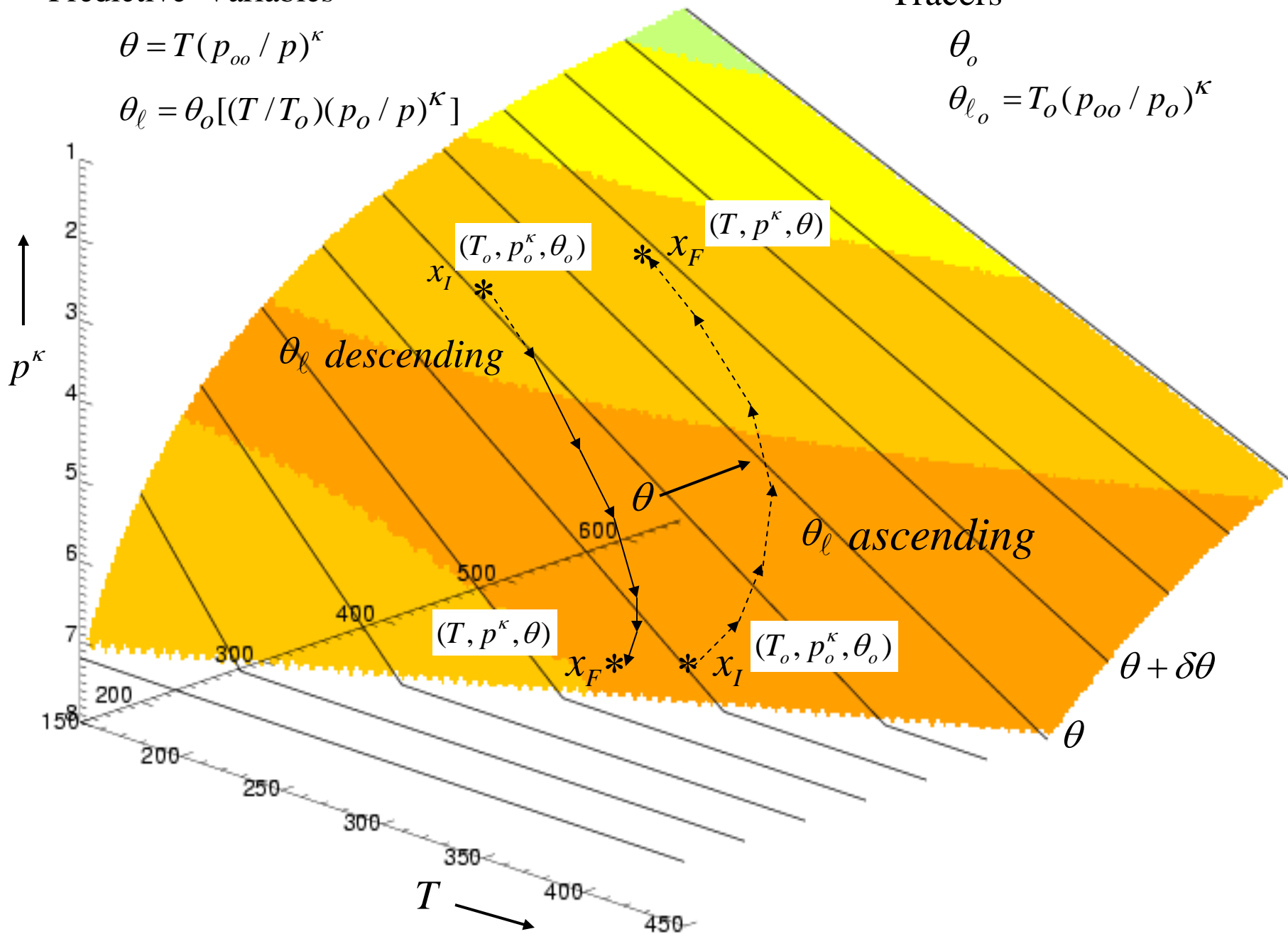
$$\theta = T(p_{oo} / p)^\kappa$$

$$\theta_\ell = \theta_o [(T / T_o)(p_o / p)^\kappa]$$

### Tracers

$$\theta_o$$

$$\theta_{\ell_o} = T_o (p_{oo} / p_o)^\kappa$$

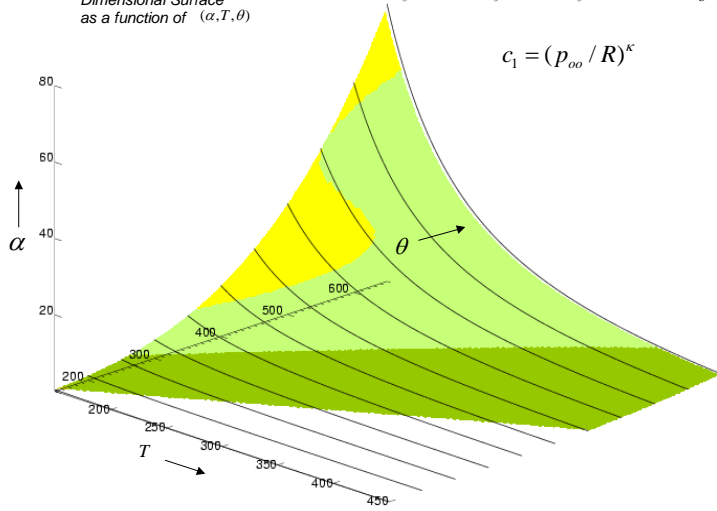


The Extended Proportion Defining *Carathéodory's Admissible Surfaces* \*

$$\theta_\ell : \theta_o = (c_1 T_\ell^{1-\kappa} \alpha_\ell^\kappa) : (c_1 T_o^{1-\kappa} \alpha_o^\kappa) = (c_2 T_\ell / p_\ell^\kappa) : (c_2 T_o / p_o^\kappa) = (c_3 \alpha_\ell p_\ell^{1-\kappa}) : (c_3 \alpha_o p_o^{1-\kappa}) = (\theta / \theta_{\ell_o})$$

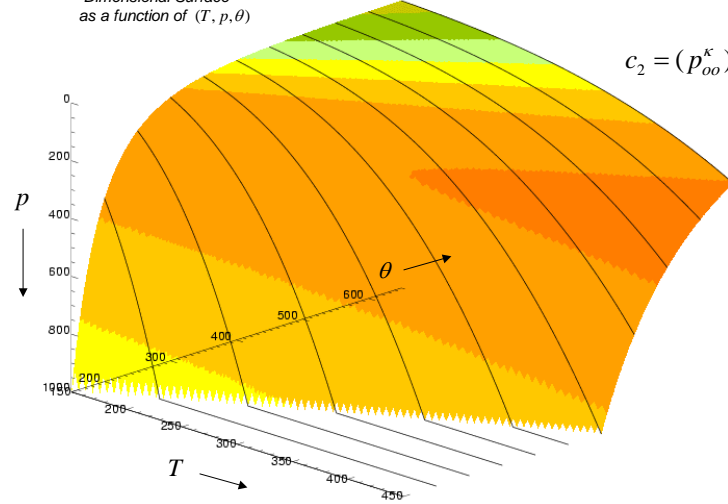
Carathéodory's Two Dimensional Surface as a function of  $(\alpha, T, \theta)$

$$\sigma_{o1} = \sigma_1 = \frac{c_1 (T^{1-\kappa} \alpha^\kappa)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{c_1 \lambda_1}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta(c_1, T, \alpha)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta_{\ell_o}(c_1, T_o, \alpha_o)}{\theta_o}$$



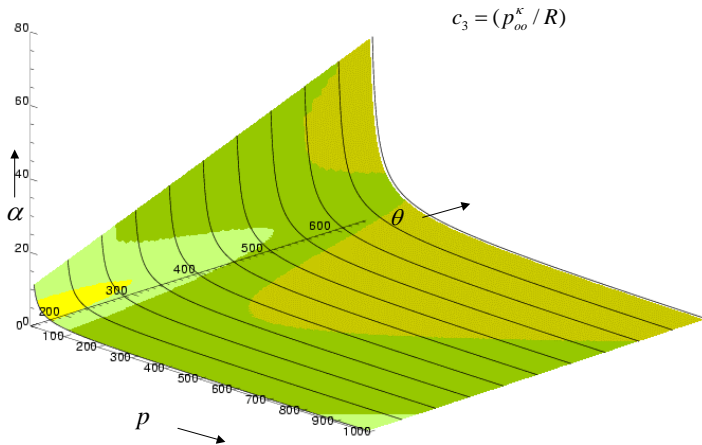
Carathéodory's Two Dimensional Surface as a function of  $(T, p, \theta)$

$$\sigma_{o2} = \sigma_2 = \frac{c_2 (T / p^\kappa)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{c_2 \lambda_2}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta(c_2, T, p^\kappa)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta_{\ell_o}(c_2, T_o, p_o^\kappa)}{\theta_o}$$



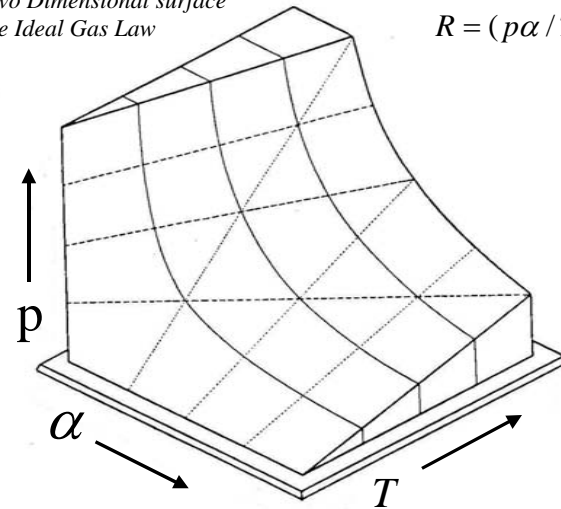
Carathéodory's Two Dimensional Surface as a function of  $(\alpha, p, \theta_\ell)$

$$\sigma_{o3} = \sigma_3 = \frac{c_3 (\alpha p^{1-\kappa})}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{c_3 \lambda_3}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta(c_3, \alpha, p^{1-\kappa})}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta_{\ell_o}(c_3, \alpha_o, p_o^{1-\kappa})}{\theta_o}$$



The Two Dimensional surface For the Ideal Gas Law

$$R = (p\alpha / T)$$



\* Extracted from manuscript in preparation, Johnson (2007)



Now consider the global mean energy balance for the true atmosphere under the constraint of energy conservation as expressed by

$$\hat{\dot{e}} = [\hat{Q} - \hat{d}(k)], \quad (11)$$

where  $\hat{\dot{e}}(t)$  is the sum of the time dependent global mean specific Lagrangian time rate of change of specific internal ( $u = c_v T$ ), geopotential ( $\phi$ ) and kinetic ( $k$ ) energies while  $\hat{d}(k)$  is the time dependent global mean kinetic energy dissipation.

$$Q = \{ \{ \varepsilon^2 - [\nabla \cdot \tilde{H}_{lw} + \nabla \cdot \tilde{H}_{sw} + \nabla \cdot \tilde{H}_{sh} + \rho \frac{d}{dt}(Lq)] \} / \rho \}$$

$$\dot{s} = \{ (\varepsilon^2 + T\mu^2) - [\nabla \cdot \tilde{H}_{lw} + \nabla \cdot \tilde{H}_{sw} + \rho \frac{d}{dt}(Lq)] + T \nabla \cdot [k(\ell n T)] \} / T \rho$$

$$\hat{\hat{s}} = \hat{\hat{d}}(k) / \bar{\bar{T}} > 0$$

$$\hat{\hat{s}} = [\hat{\hat{d}}(k) / \bar{T}] > 0$$

$$\Delta\bar{T} = \lambda(\bar{T}) = [E(\bar{T}) - \bar{\bar{T}}]$$

$$\bar{T}^{-1} = \bar{\bar{T}}^{-1} (1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{\bar{T}}))$$

$$\hat{\hat{s}} = [\hat{\hat{d}}(k) / \bar{\bar{T}}] (1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{\bar{T}})) > 0$$

$$\langle \hat{\tilde{e}} \rangle = \langle \hat{\mathbb{T}} \hat{\tilde{s}} \rangle - \langle \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \rangle = \langle \hat{\mathbb{T}} \hat{\tilde{s}} \rangle - \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \quad (15a)$$

$$= \langle \bar{\mathbb{T}} \hat{\tilde{s}} \rangle - \langle \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \rangle = \bar{\mathbb{T}} \hat{\tilde{s}} + \langle \bar{\mathbb{T}}^+ \hat{\tilde{s}}^+ \rangle - \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \quad (15b)$$

$$= [\langle \hat{\tilde{s}} \hat{\tilde{T}} + \hat{\mathbb{T}}^{***} \hat{\tilde{s}}^{***} \rangle - \langle \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \rangle] = \hat{\tilde{s}} \hat{\tilde{T}} + \langle \hat{\tilde{s}}^+ \hat{\tilde{T}}^+ \rangle + \langle \hat{\mathbb{T}}^{***} \hat{\tilde{s}}^{***} \rangle - \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \quad (15c)$$

$$\langle \hat{e} \rangle = \langle \hat{\mathbb{T}} \hat{s} \rangle - \langle \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \rangle = \langle \hat{\mathbb{T}} \hat{s} \rangle - \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \quad (16a)$$

$$= \langle \bar{\mathbb{T}} \hat{s} \rangle - \langle \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \rangle = \bar{\mathbb{T}} \hat{s} + \langle \bar{\mathbb{T}}^+ \hat{s}^+ \rangle - \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \quad (16b)$$

$$= \langle \hat{\mathbb{T}} \hat{s} + \hat{\mathbb{T}}^{***} \hat{s}^{***} \rangle - \langle \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \rangle = [\hat{s} \hat{\mathbb{T}} + \langle \hat{s}^+ \hat{\mathbb{T}}^+ \rangle + \langle \hat{\mathbb{T}}^{***} \hat{s}^{***} \rangle] - \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \quad (16c)$$

$$\langle \hat{\tilde{d}}(k) \rangle = \langle \hat{\tilde{Q}} \rangle = \langle \hat{\tilde{T}} \hat{\tilde{s}} \rangle = \bar{\tilde{T}} \hat{\tilde{s}} = \hat{\tilde{s}} \hat{\tilde{T}} + \langle \hat{\tilde{T}}^{***} \hat{\tilde{s}}^{***} \rangle, \quad (18)$$

$$\langle \hat{d}(k) \rangle = \langle \hat{Q} \rangle = \langle \hat{T} \hat{s} \rangle = \bar{T} \hat{s} = \hat{s} \hat{T} + \langle \hat{T}^{***} \hat{s}^{***} \rangle. \quad (19)$$

$$\bar{\tilde{T}} = \hat{\tilde{T}} + \langle \hat{\tilde{T}}^{***} \hat{\tilde{s}}^{***} \rangle / \hat{\tilde{s}}, \quad (31a)$$

$$\bar{T} = \hat{T} + \langle \hat{T}^{***} \hat{s}^{***} \rangle / \hat{s}, \quad (31b)$$

Now a rearrangement of (32a) in the form of

$$\bar{T}^{-1} = \left[ \left\langle \bar{T}^{***} \tilde{s}^{***} \right\rangle / (\bar{T} - \hat{\hat{T}}) \right] / [\hat{\hat{d}}(k)]$$

followed by its substitution into (32b), an alternate relation corresponding with (32c) emerges as

$$\hat{\hat{s}} = \left[ \left\langle \bar{T}^{***} \tilde{s}^{***} \right\rangle / (\bar{T} - \hat{\hat{T}}) \right] = \hat{\hat{d}}(k) \left\{ \frac{\left[ \left\langle \bar{T}^{***} \tilde{s}^{***} \right\rangle / (\bar{T} - \hat{\hat{T}}) \right]}{\hat{\hat{d}}(k)} \right\} [1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{T})] \quad (34)$$

Now under the condition of equality of the kinetic energy dissipation in the true and model states, (34) simplifies to

$$\hat{\hat{s}} = \left[ \left\langle \bar{T}^{***} \tilde{s}^{***} \right\rangle / (\bar{T} - \hat{\hat{T}}) \right] = \left[ \left\langle \bar{T}^{***} \tilde{s}^{***} \right\rangle / (\bar{T} - \hat{\hat{T}}) \right] [1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{T})]$$

Now by addition and subtraction of the equilibrium temperature  $T_{e_{A\theta}}$  within the deviation temperature  $(T - \hat{T}^{A\eta})$ , the three dimensional deviation temperature defined by (37) is expressed by

$$T^{***} = [(T - T_{e_{A\theta}})^{***} + (T_{e_{A\theta}} - \hat{T}^{A\eta})^{***}] + (\hat{T}^{A\eta} - \hat{T}^G)^* \quad (39)$$

Within Lorenz's concept of available potential  $T_{e_{A\theta}}$  is the equilibrium temperature defined by a virtual isentropic distribution of mass to a horizontally invariant reference state with uniformity of temperature and hydrostatic pressure relative to geopotential surfaces. In this study with its focus on internal energy and entropy, recognize that uniformity of temperature and entropy requires uniformity of pressure. Then the introduction of the hydrostatic equilibrium demands uniformity of pressure relative to geopotential surfaces. Interestingly, Chandrashkar's definition of local thermodynamic equilibrium of uniformity of internal energy and entropy only requires uniformity of pressure. However, when his definition of local thermodynamic equilibrium is combined with the hydrostatic constraint, the uniformity of geopotential energy as a requirement for local thermodynamic equilibrium enters. Thus the concept of Lorenz's reference state, which defines a minimum state for the sum of the internal and geopotential energies under the equilibrium of a hydrostatic constraint attained by a virtual isentropic redistribution of mass is actually a special case of local equilibrium of internal energy and entropy as defined by Chandrashkar. Concerning the relevance of the definition of local equilibrium states whether by Chandrashkar or Lorenz, it is extremely important to recognize that both are artifacts of the actual processes involved, however both serve to provide understanding of the relevance of just how the combination of internal energy as a state variable and entropy sources/sinks as internal processes maintain atmospheric circulation.

Now consider the efficiency factor (Dutton and Johnson 1967) determined by a virtual isentropic displacement of mass to a horizontally invariant reference state defined by

$$\varepsilon^{***} = [1 - (T_{e_{A\theta}} / T)] = [1 - (p_{e_{A\theta}} / p)^{\kappa}]. \quad (40)$$

Then recognize that  $\varepsilon^{***}$  is positive and negative when the temperature  $T(\alpha, \beta, \eta, t)$  is respectively greater or less than the reference state temperature  $T_{e_{A\theta}}[\alpha, \beta, \theta(\alpha, \beta, \eta), t]$ .

Also consider that that the magnitude of the efficiency whether positive or negative is greater the greater the magnitude of the temperature deviations, that is the greater the magnitude of the efficiencies within the climate state, the greater is the thermal disequilibrium and the greater will be the impact of differential heating..

A multiplication of (40) by temperature and substitution into (39) yields

$$T^{***} = \{ [(\varepsilon T)^{***} + (T_{e_{A\eta}} - \hat{T}^{A\eta})^{***}] + (\hat{T}^{A\eta} - \hat{T}^G)^* \} \quad (41)$$

Within this definition of efficiency as defined through the entropy principle, the paired variables  $(T_{e_{A\eta}}, p_{e_{A\eta}})$  respectively represent the temperature and pressure of the time dependent areally invariant equilibrium state of available potential energy theory as determined by the internal energy and entropy distributions within the climate state.

Also by combining the second and third terms, and simple considering their sum as the deviation of the Lorenz reference state from the globally averaged internal energy in the form of  $\overline{s^{A_\theta}} (T_{e_{A_\theta}} - \hat{T}^G)^*$  and  $\overline{\hat{s}^{A_\theta}} (\tilde{T}_{e_{A_\theta}} - \hat{\tilde{T}}^G)^*$ , (47) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \left\langle \left[ \overline{s^{***}} (\varepsilon_{A_\theta} T)^{***} + \overline{s^{A_\theta}} (T_{e_{A_\theta}} - \hat{T}^G)^* \right] \right\rangle / (\bar{T} - \hat{T}) \right\} \\ & = \left\{ \left\langle \left[ +\overline{s^{***}} (\tilde{\varepsilon}_{A_\theta} \tilde{T})^{***} + \overline{\hat{s}^{A_\theta}} (\tilde{T}_{e_{A_\theta}} - \hat{\tilde{T}}^G)^* \right] \right\rangle / (\bar{\tilde{T}} - \hat{\tilde{T}}) \right\} [1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{\tilde{T}})] \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

Now under the condition that the cold bias  $\Delta\bar{T}$  as defined is invariant in space and time under the condition of statistical equilibration, the difference  $(\bar{T} - \hat{T})$  within the model atmosphere is equal to the true state difference  $(\bar{\tilde{T}} - \hat{\tilde{T}})$ , thus (48) simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \left\langle \overline{s^{***}} (\varepsilon_{A_\theta} T)^{***} \right\rangle + \left\langle \overline{s^{A_\theta}} (\hat{T}_{e_{A_\theta}} - \hat{T}^G)^* \right\rangle \right\} \\ & = \left\{ \left\langle \overline{s^{***}} (\tilde{\varepsilon}_{A_\theta} \tilde{T})^{***} \right\rangle + \left\langle \overline{\hat{s}^{A_\theta}} (\hat{\tilde{T}}_{e_{A_\theta}} - \hat{\tilde{T}}^G)^* \right\rangle \right\} [1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{\tilde{T}})] \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

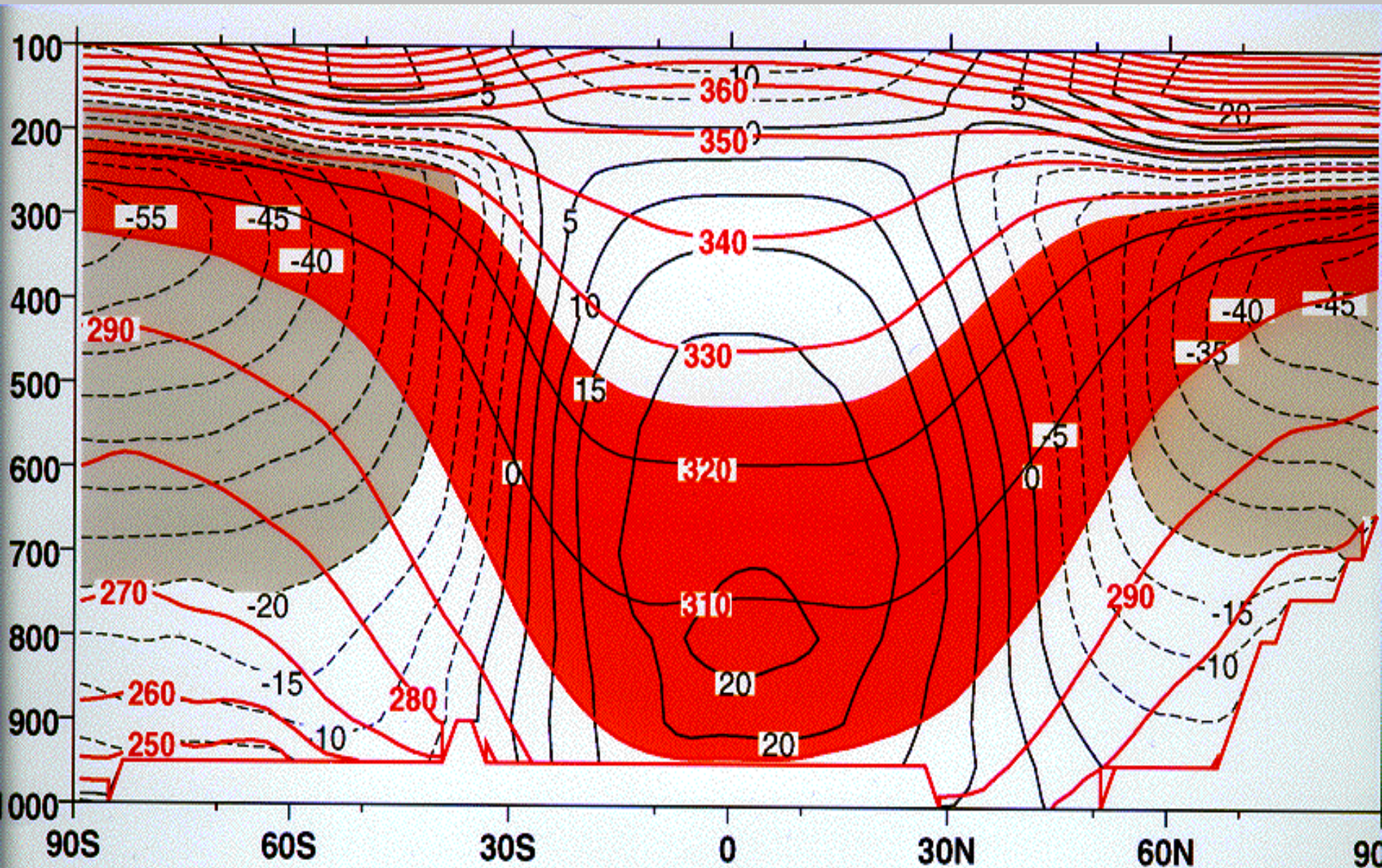


Now the condition of statistical stationarity as expressed within isentropic coordinates requires the isentropically area average entropy source  $\hat{s}^{A_\theta}$  to vanish throughout the global domain. As such, with  $\hat{s}^{A_\theta}$  equal to zero throughout the climate state domain, the vertical deviation of  $\hat{s}^{A_\theta}$  is identically zero. From a physical perspective, this condition simply requires the increase of entropy within each isentropic layer by solar absorption, sensible and latent heating plus frictional dissipation to be equal to the loss of entropy from the climate system by infrared emission. Now under these conditions, the impact of the cold bias on the model state reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle \left[ \overline{\hat{s}^{A_\theta}} \right] (\varepsilon_{A_\theta} T)^{***} \right\rangle \\ & = \left\langle \left[ \overline{\hat{s}^{A_\theta}} \right] (\tilde{\varepsilon}_{A_\theta} \tilde{T})^{***} \right\rangle [1 - (\Delta \bar{T} / \bar{T})] \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

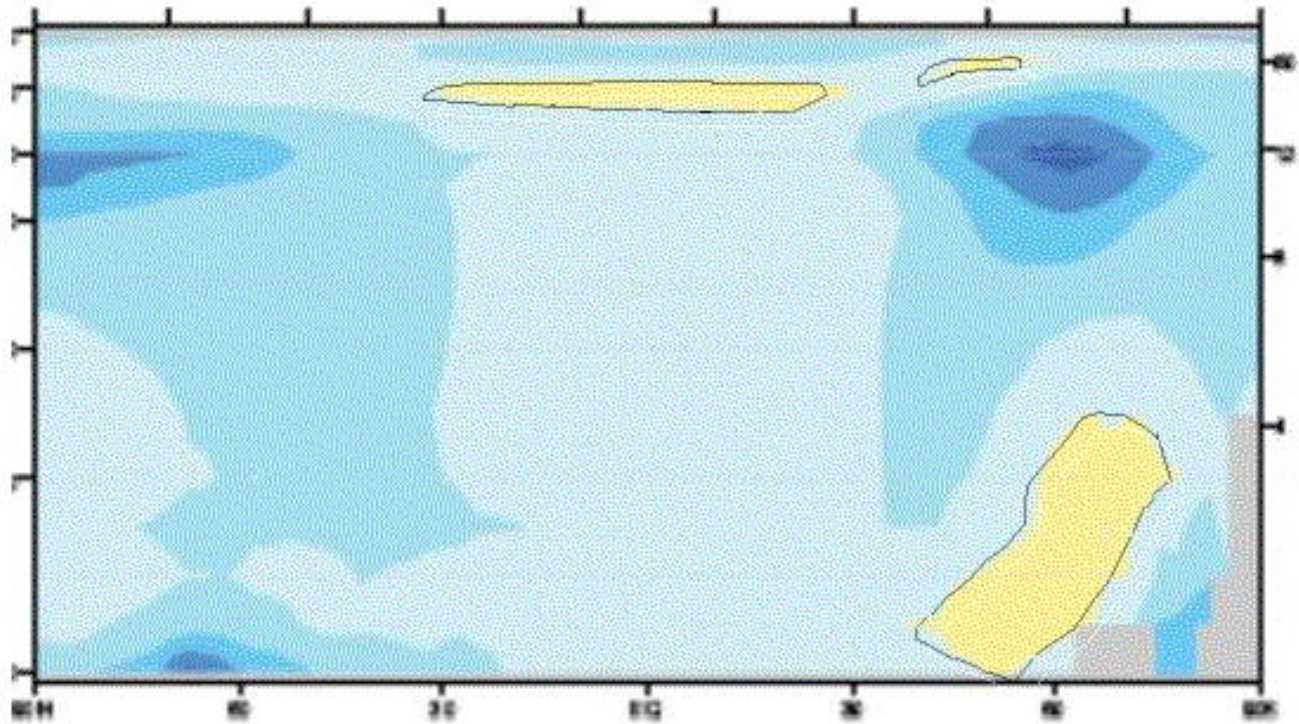
As the result reveals, when the internal energy distribution is expressed relative to the entropy structure as determined by casting the results determined for generalized coordinates in isentropic coordinates, the impact of the mean cold bias is to amplify the generation of the reversible component of total energy. Clearly the greatest amplification will occur where the positive and negative efficiencies are the largest, that is the upper troposphere of polar latitudes, and the lower troposphere of the atmosphere on all isentropic surfaces which intersect the earth's surface. Such amplification will extend into the lower troposphere of the extratropical latitudes such as over the Southern Ocean, where the cold air draining from the Antarctic Continent is heated by sensible heat addition over an extremely intense circumpolar circulation surrounding the Antarctic Continent..

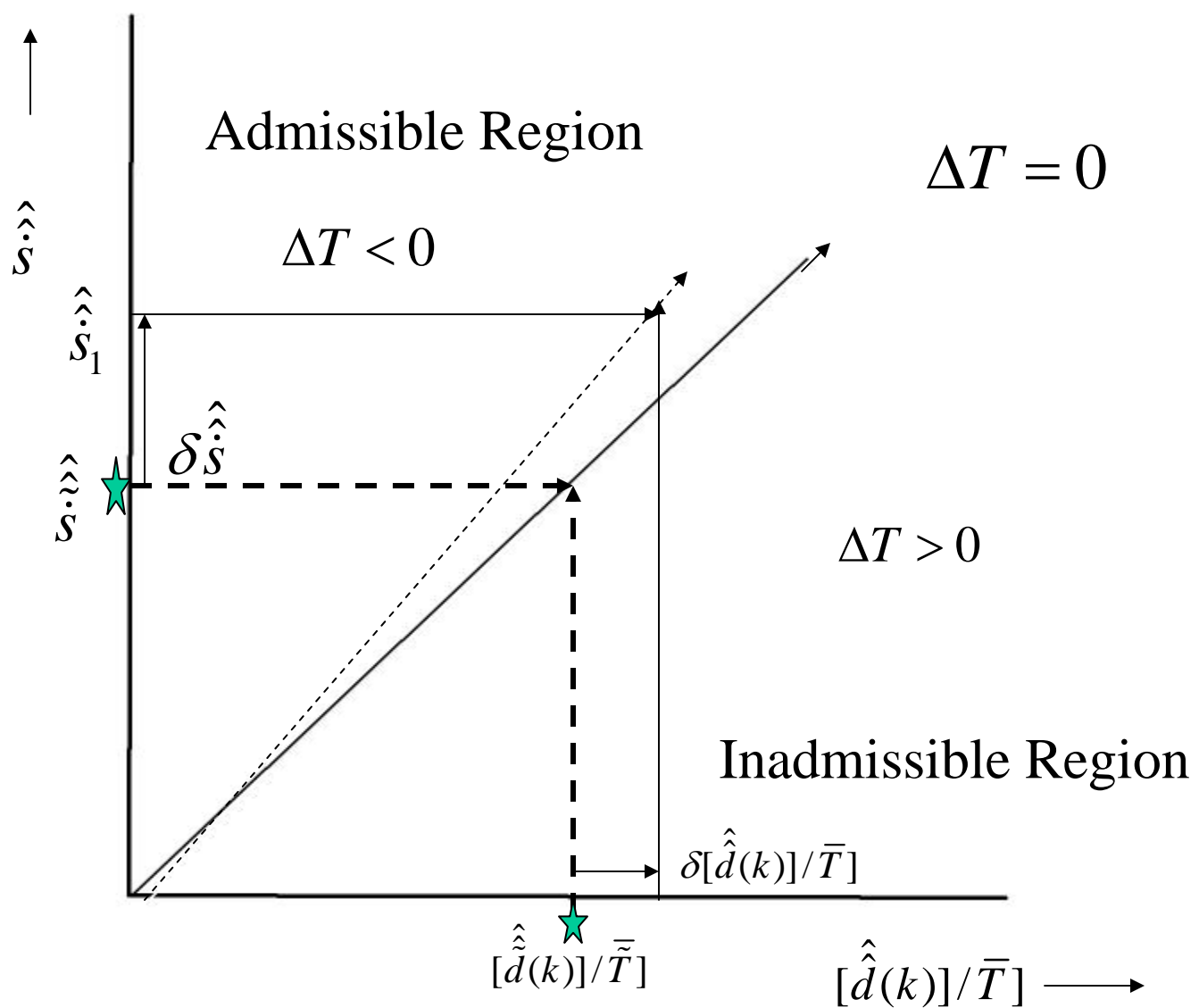
# Isentropic Efficiency Factor



# Air Temperature Differences

Mean Model





Within the relation  $\hat{\dot{s}} = [\hat{\dot{d}}(k)]/\bar{T} (1 - (\Delta\bar{T}/\bar{T}))$  the quantity  $[1 - (\Delta\bar{T}/\bar{T})]$  defines the slope of the family of dashed lines as a function of the abscissa and the ordinate passing through the origin in relation to the mean cold bias .

Now compare the ratio of a model's mean entropy source to its kinetic energy dissipation to the true state ratio by the substitution of (14a) into (25), in the form of

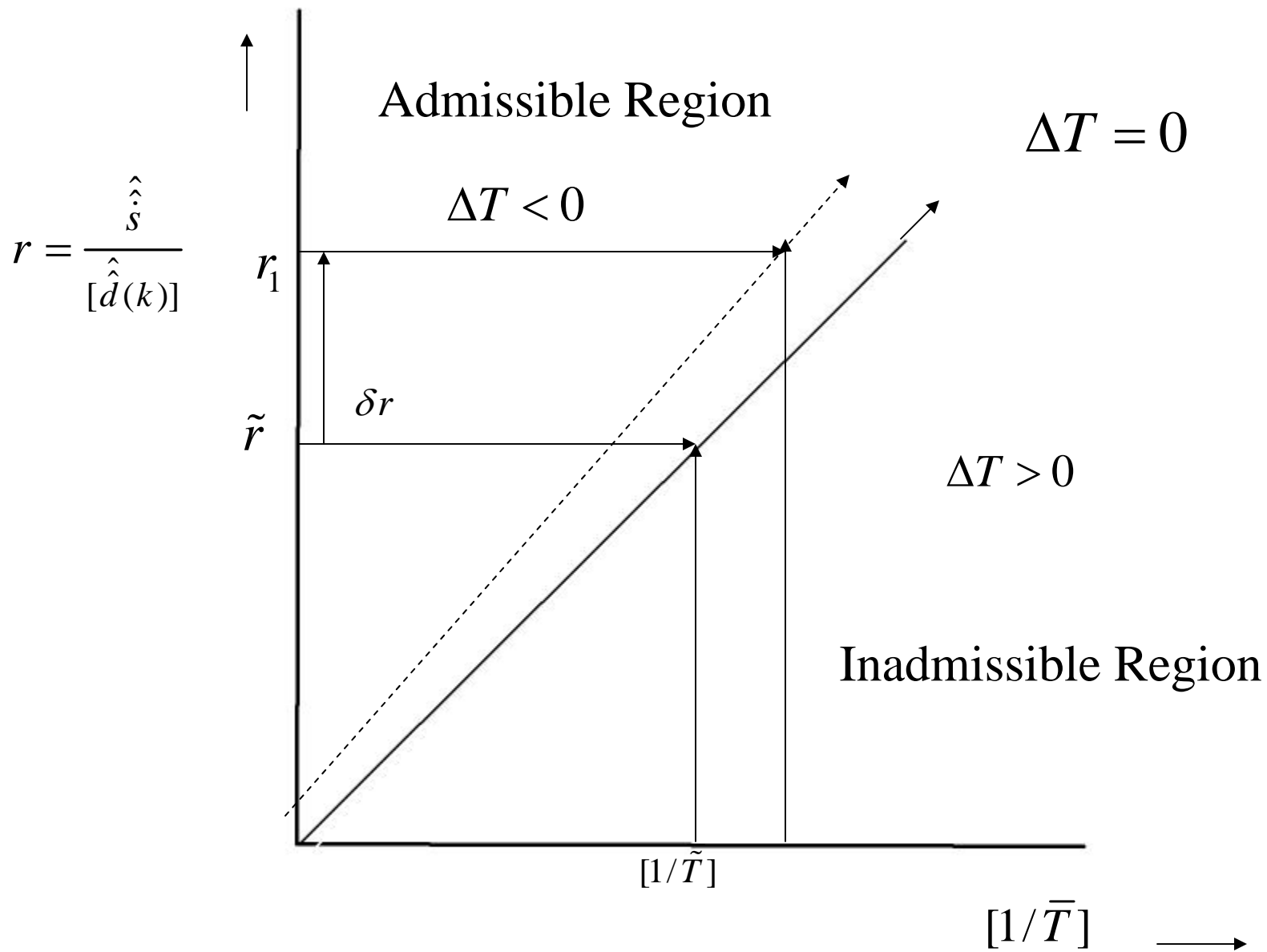
$$[\hat{s} / \hat{d}(k)] = [\hat{\tilde{s}} / \hat{\tilde{d}}(k)](1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{T})) > [\hat{\tilde{s}} / \hat{\tilde{d}}(k)], \quad (27)$$

and then note from (27) that a cold bias requires the ratio of the model's entropy source to its kinetic energy dissipation to be defined as  $R$  must be greater than the corresponding true state ratio to be defined as  $\tilde{R}$ .

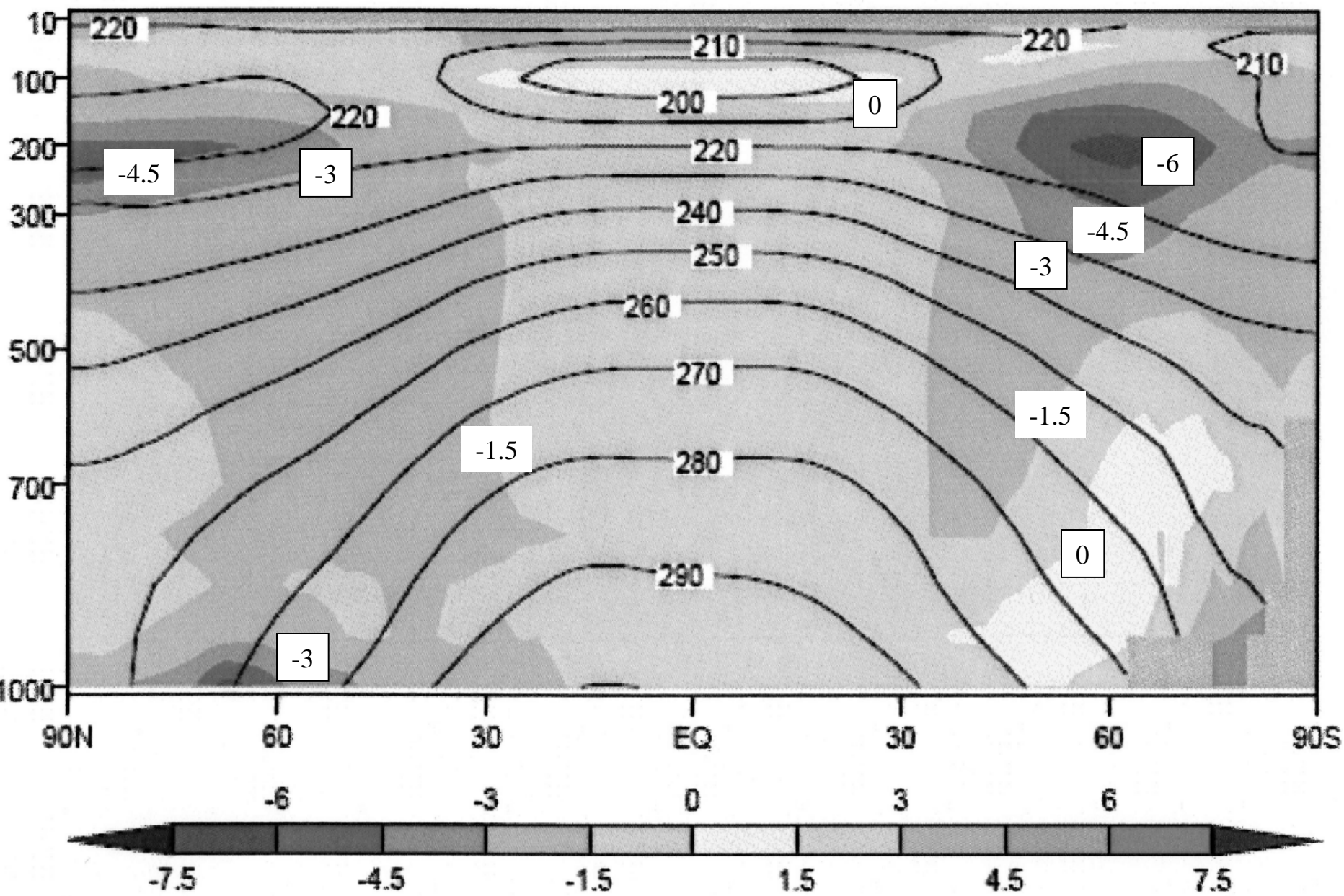
Note that (27) may be expressed as

$$R = \tilde{R} (1 - (\Delta\bar{T} / \bar{T})) > [\hat{\tilde{s}} / \hat{\tilde{d}}(k)]$$

where  $R$  and  $\tilde{R}$  are defined by  $R = \hat{s} / \hat{d}(k)$  and  $\tilde{R} = \hat{\tilde{s}} / \hat{\tilde{d}}(k)$



$[(1 - (\Delta T / \bar{T}))]$  defines the slope of the family of dashed lines as a function of the abscissa and the ordinate passing through the origin in relation to the mean cold bias  $\Delta T$ .



# Scatter Plots of $\theta - \theta_0$

## **UW $\theta$ - $\eta$ model with NCEP Physics**

**2.8125 lat – long**

**28 layers**

## **CAM 3 (Eulerian Spectral)**

**T42 (~2.8 resolution)**

**26 layers**

## **CAM3 (Finite Volume)**

**2 x 2.5 lat – long**

**26 layers**

**No Physics**

**All models used 15 Dec. 2004**

**initial conditions**

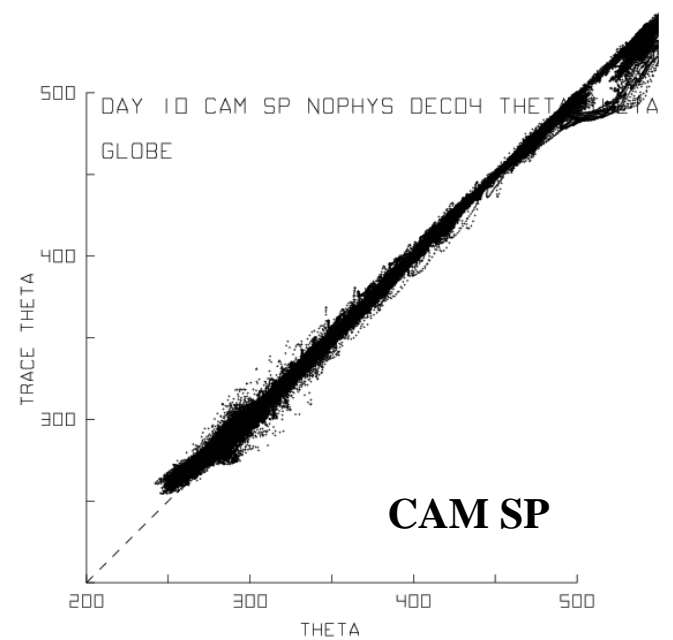
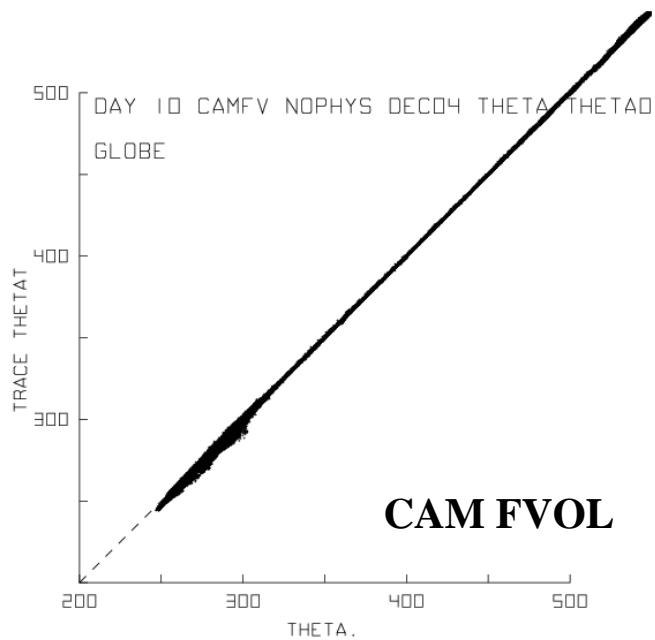
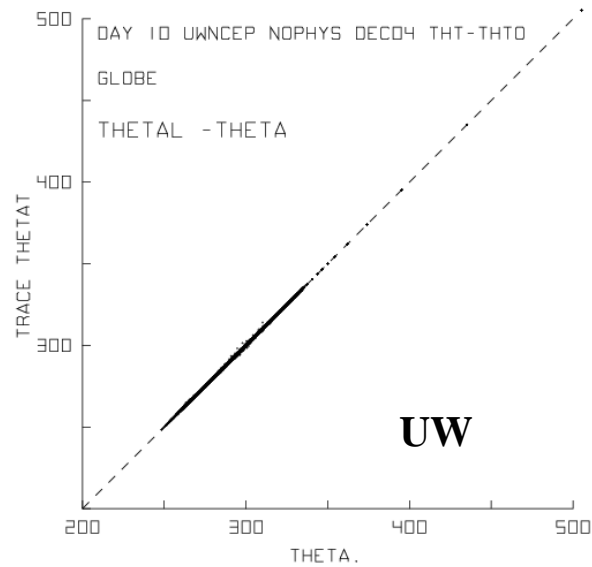
**Day 10**



$$\theta - \theta_0$$

No Physics

Day 10



**10 day Component Variance and RMS differences of Potential Temps- initial day 15 Dec. 1998,**

	$(\theta_L - \theta_{L0})$	$(\theta - \theta_o)$	$(\theta_L - \theta)$	$(\theta_o - \theta_{L0})$
<b>UW <math>\theta</math>-<math>\eta</math> Model, 14 theta, 14 eta layer, 2.8125 deg</b>				
<b>CCM3 NO PHYS</b>	1.12 (1.06)	0.02 (0.14)	0.28 (0.53)	0.28 (0.53)
<b>CCM3 ALL PHYS</b>	130.52 (11.43)	115.37 (10.74)	1.79 (1.34)	1.82 (1.35)

**NCAR FV 26 layers, 2x2.5 deg**

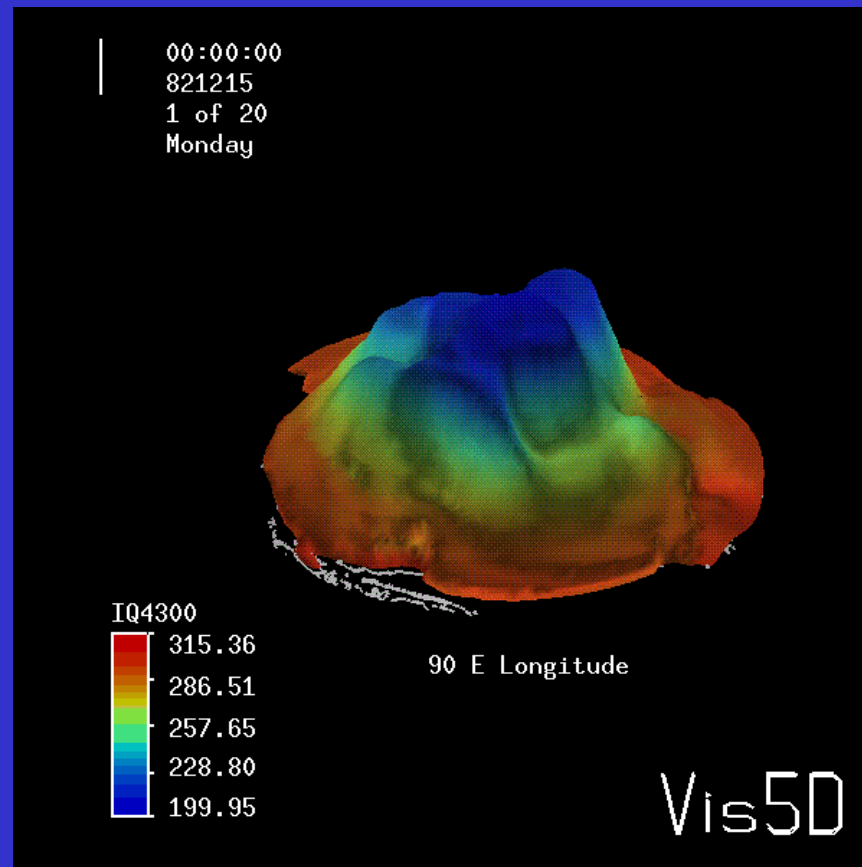
<b>CAM3 NOPHYS</b>	6.93 (2.63)	1.00 (1.00)	1.54 (1.24)	1.53 (1.24)
<b>CAM3 ALL PHYS</b>	210.97 (14.53)	156.99 (12.53)	6.52 (2.55)	6.18 (2.49)

**30 day Component Variance and RMS differences of Potential Temps- initial day 15 Dec. 1998,**

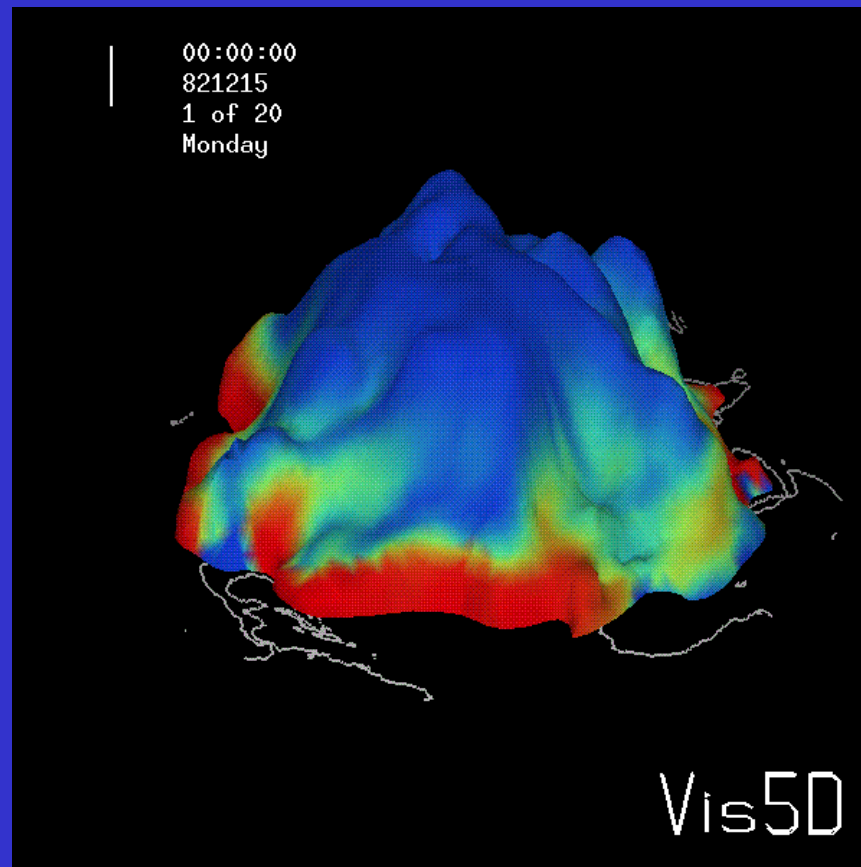
**UW Model, CCM3 All Physics, 14 theta, 14 eta layer, 2.8125 deg**

	$(\theta_L - \theta_{L0})$	$(\theta - \theta_o)$	$(\theta_L - \theta)$	$(\theta_o - \theta_{L0})$
<b>UW <math>\theta</math>-<math>\eta</math> Model</b>	477.52 (21.85)	402.89 (20.07)	8.27 (2.88)	9.17 (3.03)
<b>UW Sigma Model</b>	1752.90 (41.87)	661.55 (25.72)	181.95 (13.49)	118.11 (10.87)

# Temperature Tracer on 300 K Topography Viewed from 90E



# 5 Day Simulation of 292 K Specific Humidity Superimposed on 292 K Pressure Topography



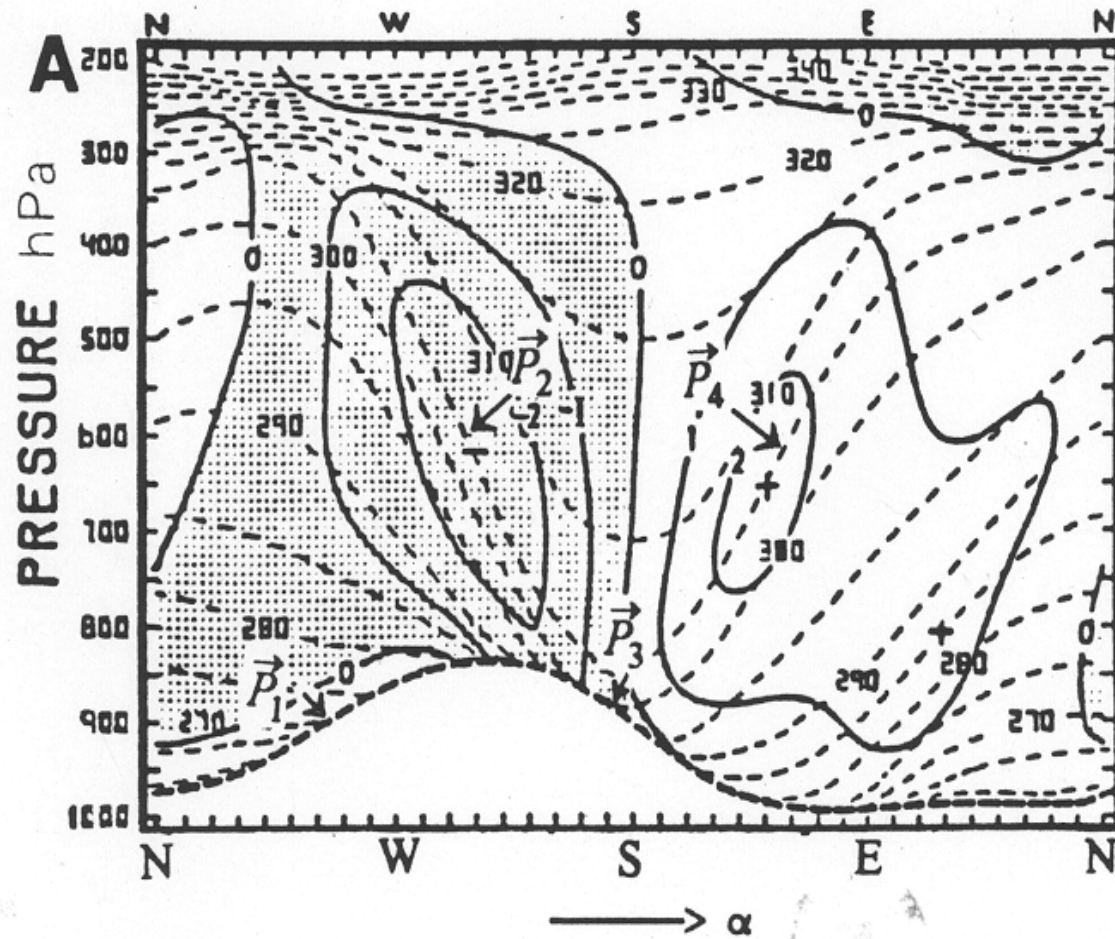
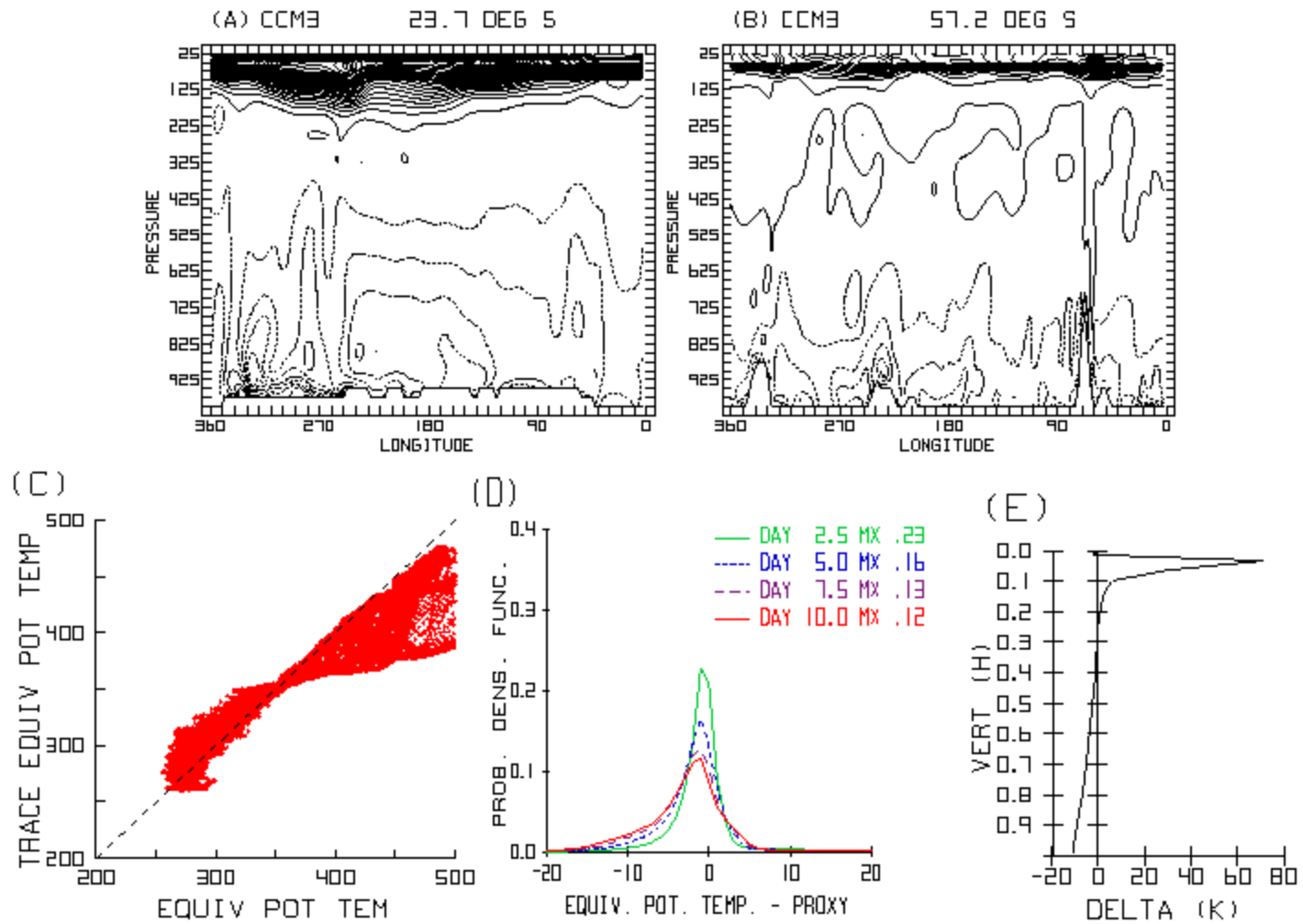
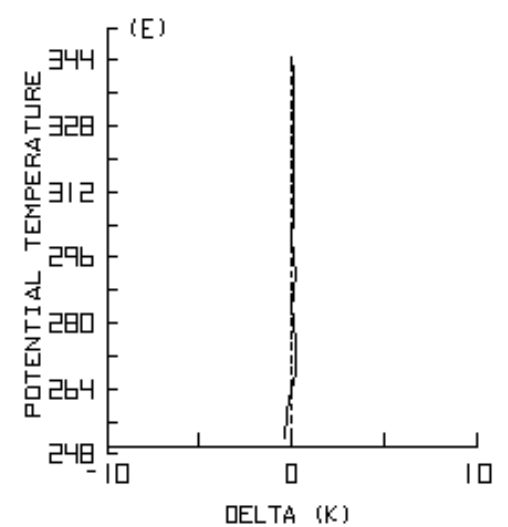
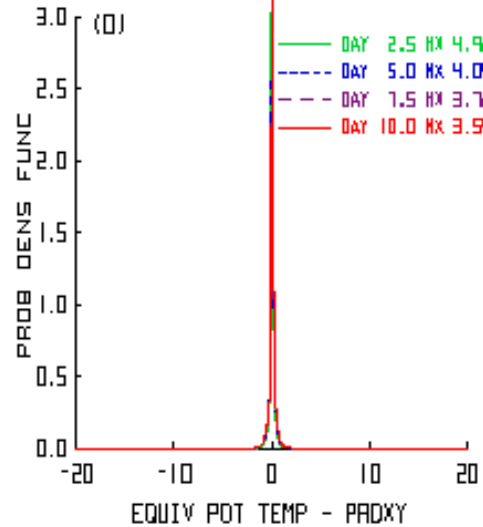
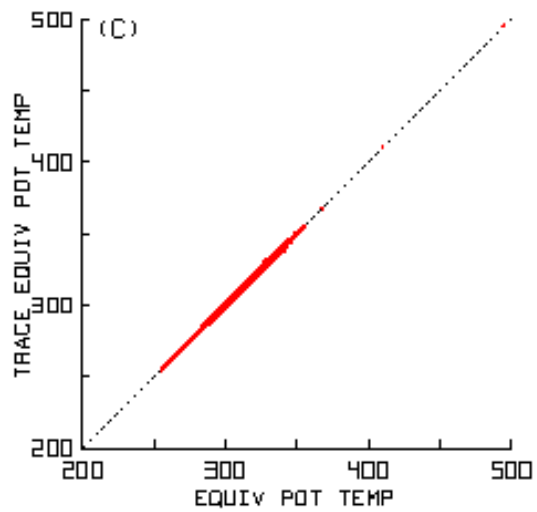
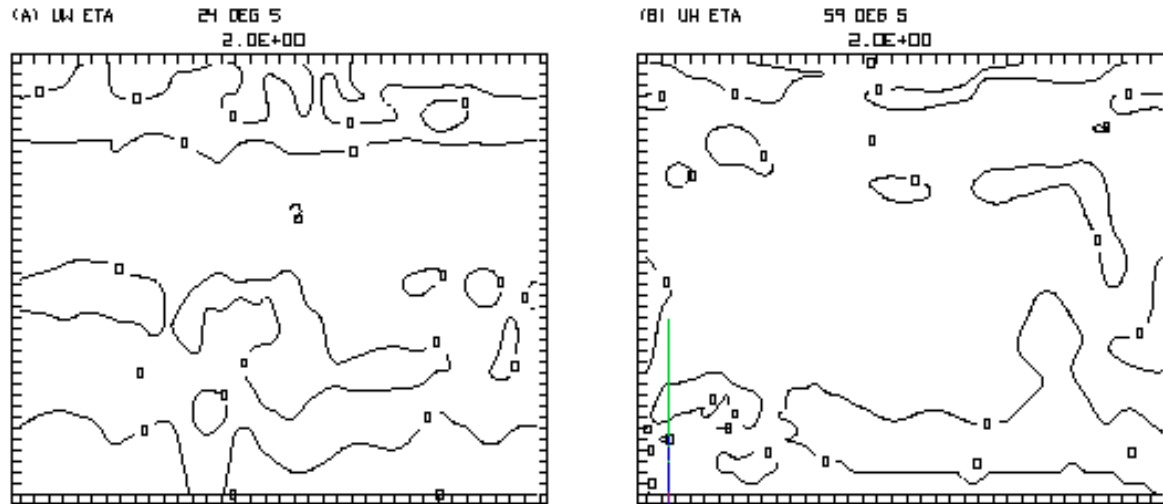


Fig. 13. Vertical-azimuthal distribution of azimuthal component of pressure stress on isentropic surfaces (solid) and potential temperature (dashed) for the radius of  $9.0^\circ$  within the Alberta cyclone at 1200 UTC 31 March 1971 ( $10^8 \text{ kg s}^{-2}$ ) (Katzfey, 1978). The cyclonic rotation ( $\alpha$ ) goes from the north (N) to the west (W), to the south (S), to the east (E) and back to the north.

# NCAR CCM3



# UW Hybrid $\theta$ - $\eta$ Model

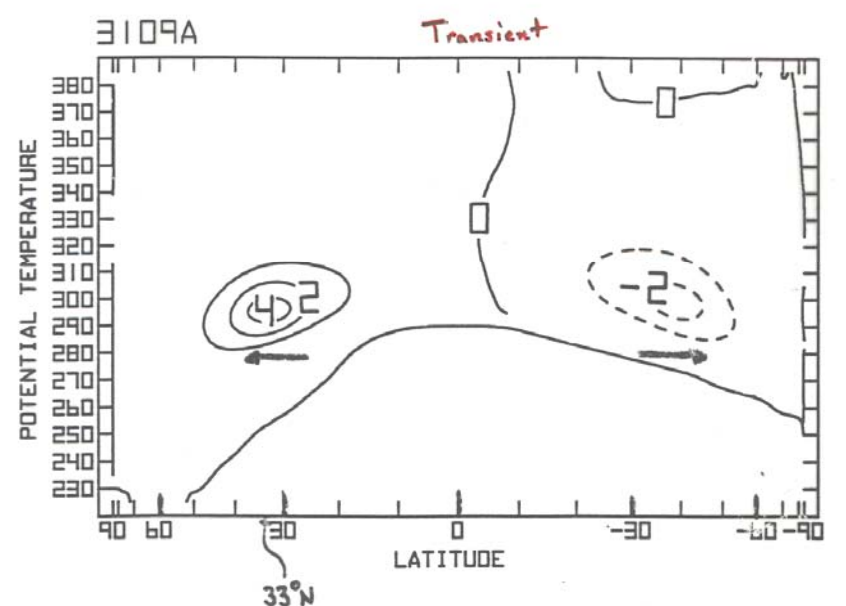
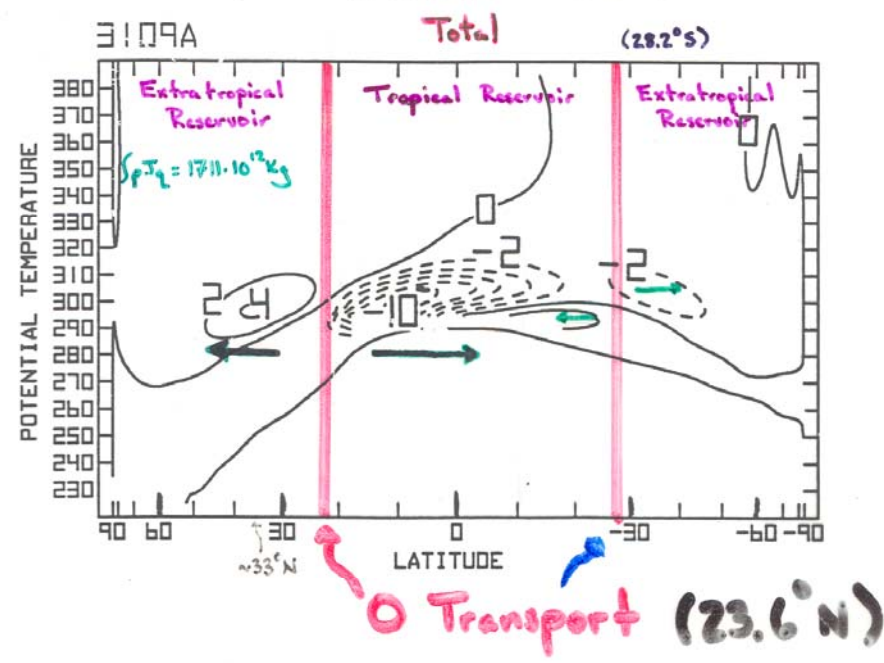


# Zonally Averaged Water Vapor Transport

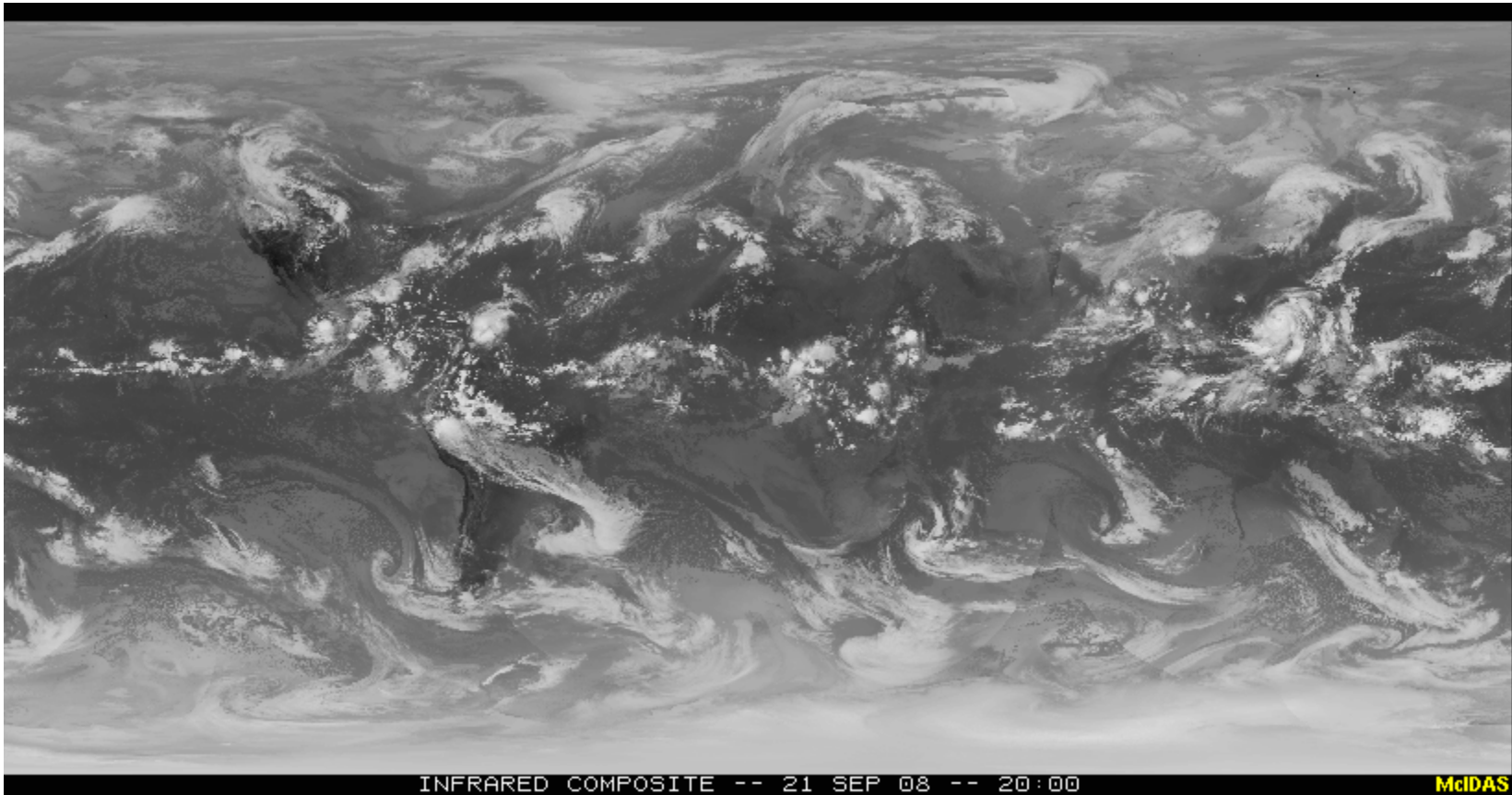
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GLA Assimilated Data

# Zonally Integrated H<sub>2</sub>O Transport Jan. 1979

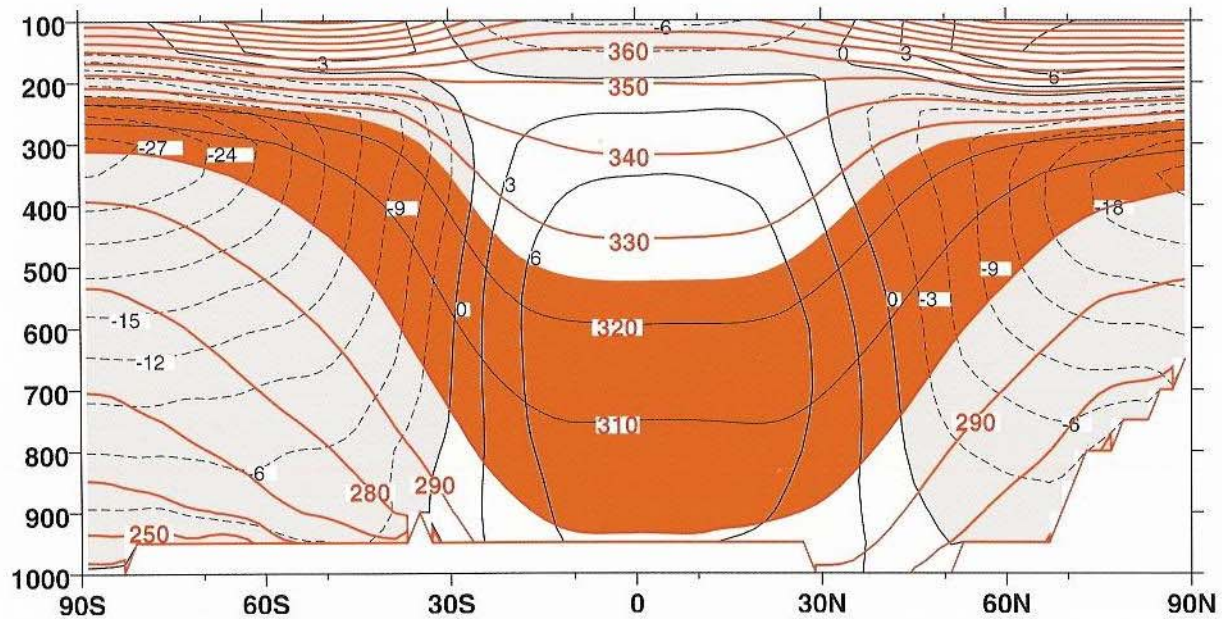






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**Figure 22.2** A vertical meridional distribution of mass weighted temporally, zonally averaged isentropic efficiency (units  $10^{-2}$ ) defined by  $\hat{\varepsilon}$  equal to  $\langle (I - T_a/T) \rangle$  [see Eq. (44)] and potential temperature  $\theta[\phi, \bar{p}^{\lambda,t}(\phi, \theta)]$  (K) as determined from the isentropic temporally, zonally averaged pressure distribution,  $\bar{p}^{\lambda,t}(\phi, \theta)$ . Unshaded and shaded regions denote positive and negative efficiencies, respectively. The isentropic layers shaded red identify the atmospheric region within which the covariance of entropy sources and sinks with positive and negative efficiencies, respectively, are most effective in the generation for maintaining the atmosphere's circulation. The nonlinearity of this process is evident from the consideration that a cooling rate of  $1 \text{ K day}^{-1}$  in the high polar troposphere with  $\varepsilon < 0.25$  is four times as effective in generation as a heating rate of  $1 \text{ K day}^{-1}$  in the low to mid tropical troposphere with  $\varepsilon \approx 0.06$ . Alternatively, the nondimensional efficiencies as indicated may be considered to be percentages of the heating/cooling that generates a reversible component. For example, in high polar troposphere in the northern hemisphere, the generation contribution  $\varepsilon Q_m$  means that 27% of the cooling rate with  $Q_m < 0$  and  $\varepsilon < 0$  is a positive generation contribution to the reversible component equal to 27% of  $|Q_m|$ .



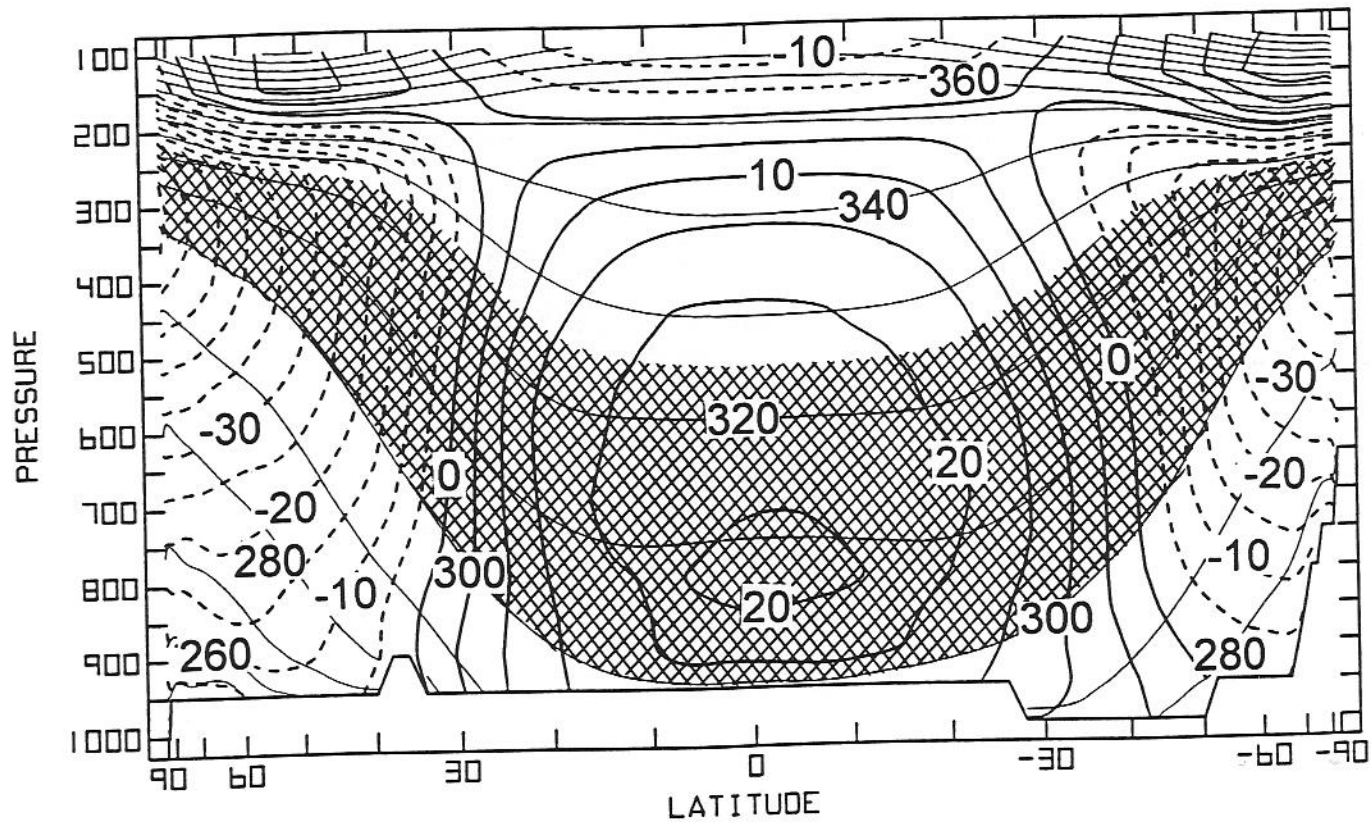


Figure 2: A representative vertical meridional distribution of potential temperature  $\theta[\phi, p^{-\lambda, t}(\phi, \theta)]$  as determined from the isentropic temporally, zonally averaged pressure distribution  $p^{-\lambda, t}(\phi, \theta)$ , and the corresponding isentropic zonally averaged departure temperature  $\overline{\Delta T}^{\lambda, t} = \overline{T(\phi, \theta) - T_{\alpha}(\theta)}^{\lambda, t}$  where  $T(\phi, \theta) = \theta[p^{-\lambda, t}(\phi, \theta) / p_{00}]^{\kappa}$  and  $T_{\alpha}(\theta) = \theta[p^{-\lambda, \phi, t}(\theta) / p_{00}]^{\kappa}$  for Jan. 1-14, 1987.



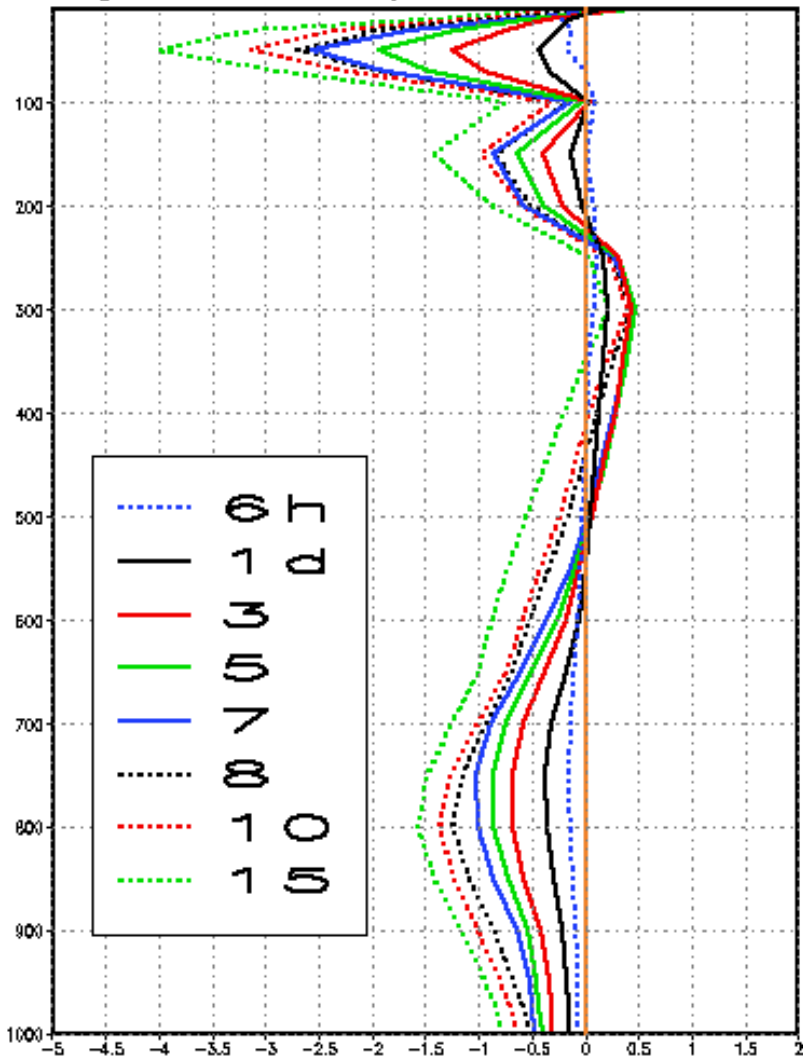


# A Reviewers Comment

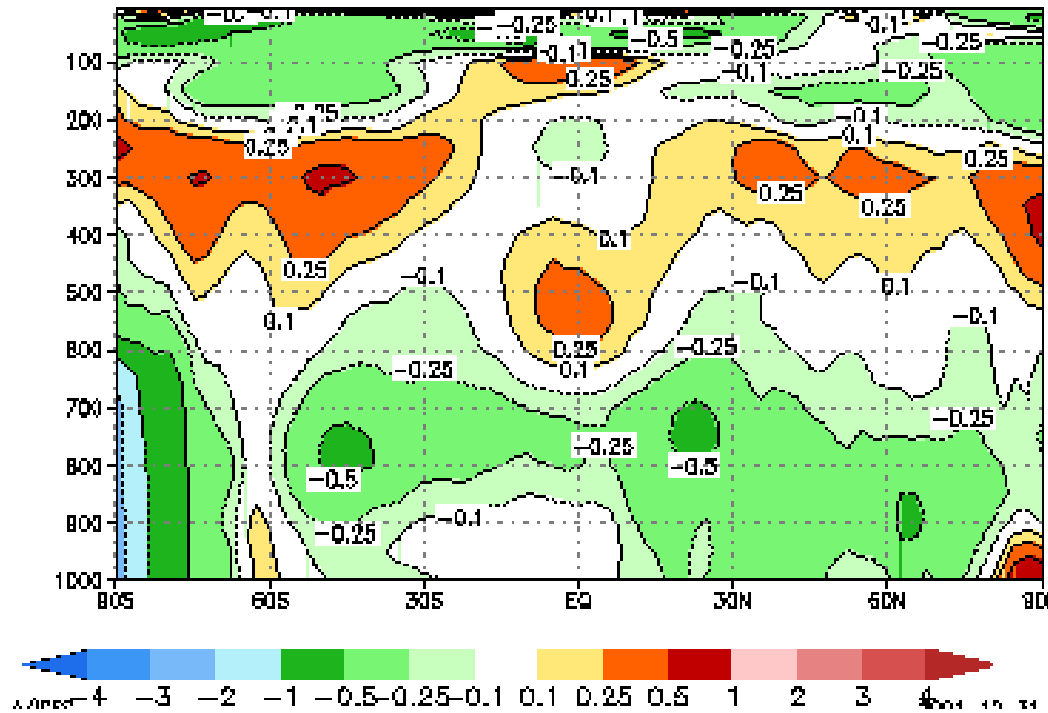
It is doubtful that strict global conservation of energy and entropy by a numerical scheme plays a significant role in weather prediction. The advantage of center difference schemes like Arakawa and Lamb (1977) in conserving energy and entropy are often over-stated while its shortcomings (e.g., numerical instability near poles; degradation in vorticity advection in divergent flows which results in poor correlation between potential vorticity and passive tracers) being ignored. All models need sub-grid damping mechanisms. How this can be achieved can be very different among models. It should be noted that even the Arakawa and Lamb scheme needs artificial smoothing/filtering (in time and in space) renders all GCMs effectively non-energy conserving and irreversible. In standard CCM3 the total energy is nearly conserved because, 1) the lost kinetic energy due to hyper-viscosity is added back to the thermodynamic equation and also due in part, 2) a lucky cancellation between the energy conserving errors in dynamics and physics.

# GFS Cold Bias

global mean temperature error Dec01



znl mean T 1day er Dec01





$$T^{***} = [(T - T_{e_{A\theta}})^{***} + (T_{e_{A\theta}} - \hat{T}^{A\eta})^{***}] + (\hat{T}^{A\eta} - \hat{T}^G)^*$$

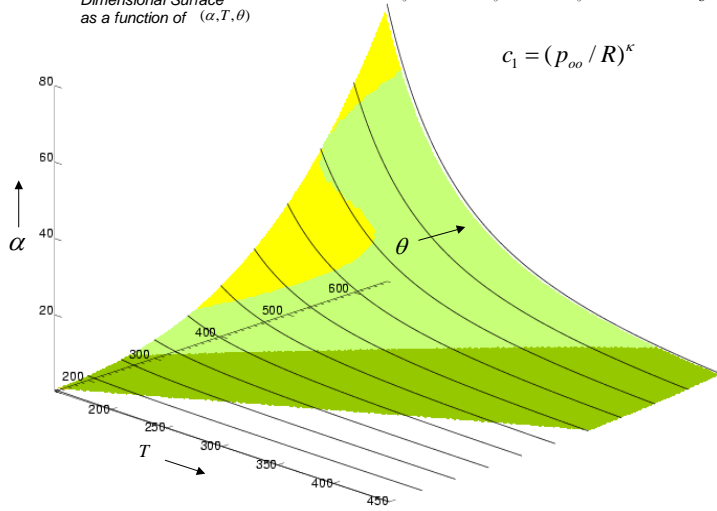


### The Extended Proportion Defining *Carathéodory's Admissible Surfaces* \*

$$\theta_\ell : \theta_o = (c_1 T_\ell^{1-\kappa} \alpha_\ell^\kappa) : (c_1 T_o^{1-\kappa} \alpha_o^\kappa) = (c_2 T_\ell / p_\ell^\kappa) : (c_2 T_o / p_o^\kappa) = (c_3 \alpha_\ell p_\ell^{1-\kappa}) : (c_3 \alpha_o p_o^{1-\kappa}) = (\theta / \theta_{\ell_o})$$

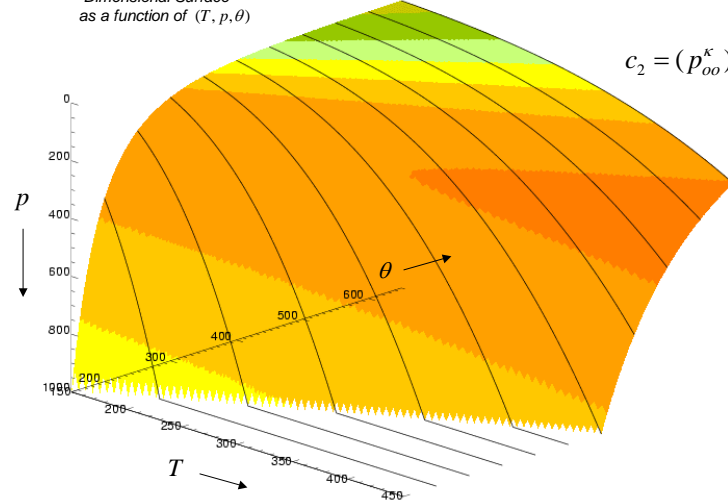
Carathéodory's Two Dimensional Surface as a function of  $(\alpha, T, \theta)$

$$\sigma_{o1} = \sigma_1 = \frac{c_1 (T^{1-\kappa} \alpha^\kappa)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{c_1 \lambda_1}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta(c_1, T, \alpha)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta_{\ell_o}(c_1, T_o, \alpha_o)}{\theta_o}$$



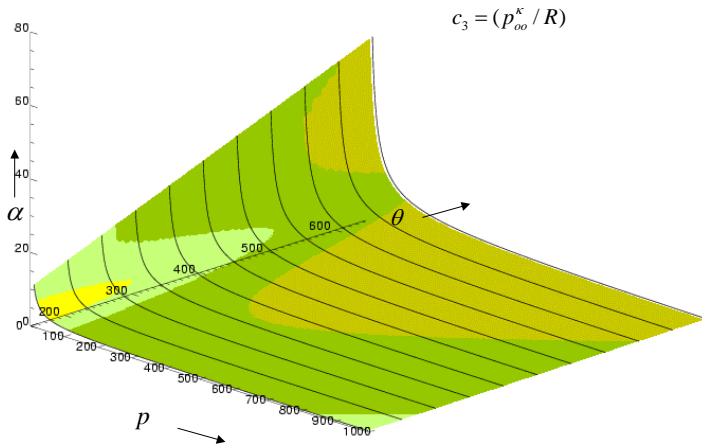
Carathéodory's Two Dimensional Surface as a function of  $(T, p, \theta)$

$$\sigma_{o2} = \sigma_2 = \frac{c_2 (T / p^\kappa)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{c_2 \lambda_2}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta(c_2, T, p^\kappa)}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta_{\ell_o}(c_2, T_o, p_o^\kappa)}{\theta_o}$$



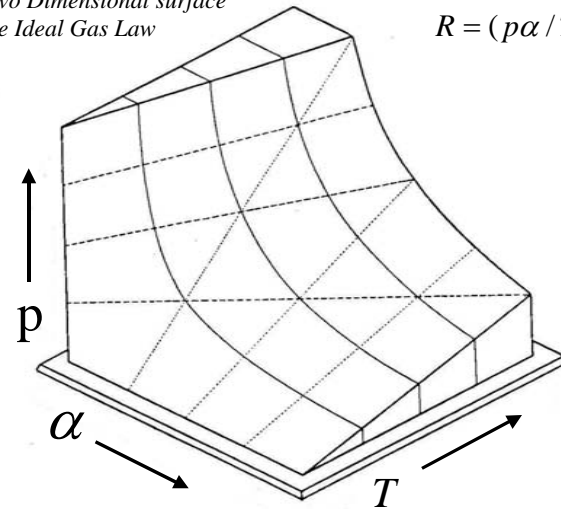
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$$\sigma_{o3} = \sigma_3 = \frac{c_3 (\alpha p^{1-\kappa})}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{c_3 \lambda_3}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta(c_3, \alpha, p^{1-\kappa})}{\theta_\ell} = \frac{\theta_{\ell_o}(c_3, \alpha_o, p_o^{1-\kappa})}{\theta_o}$$



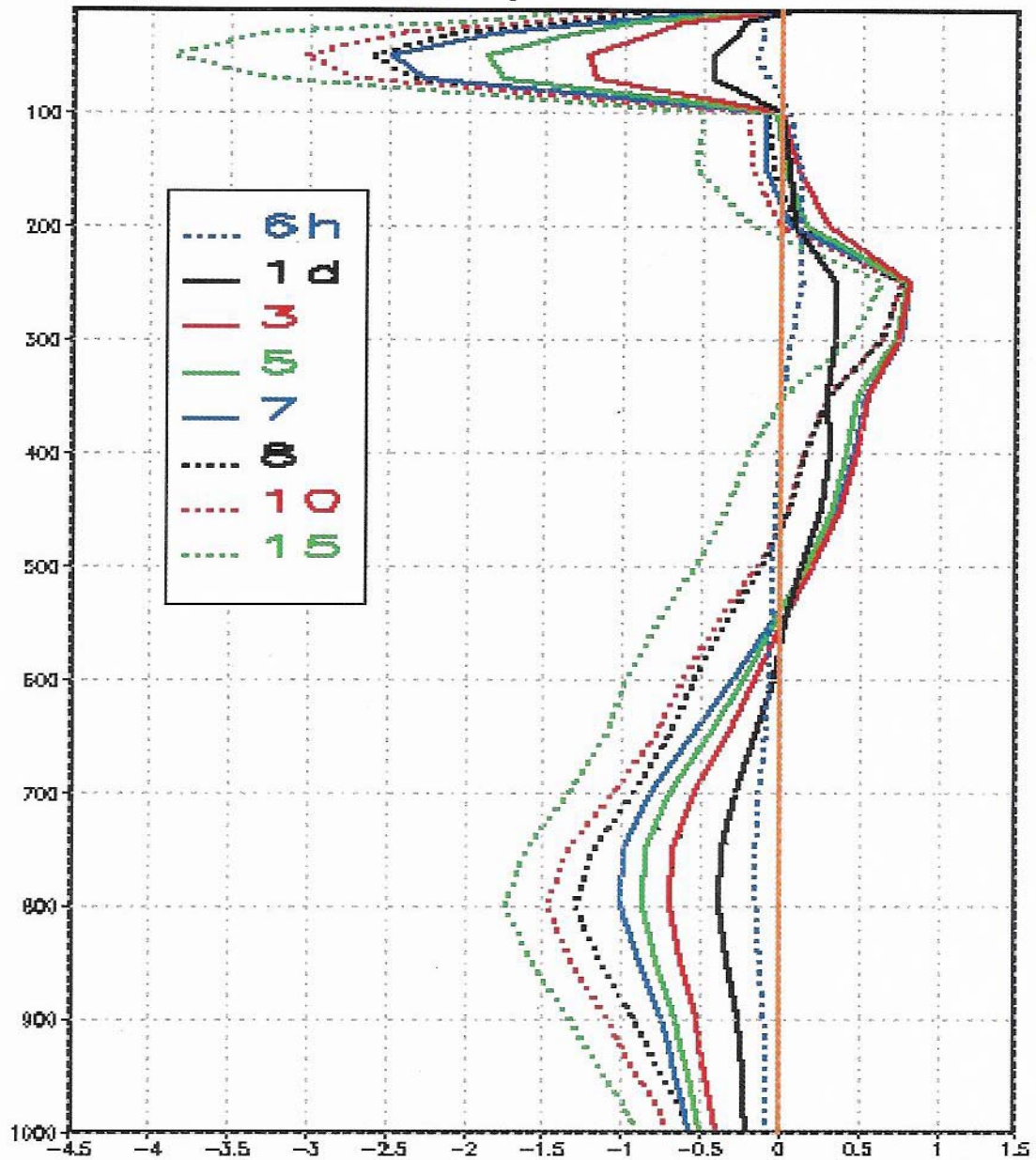
The Two Dimensional surface For the Ideal Gas Law

$$R = (p\alpha / T)$$

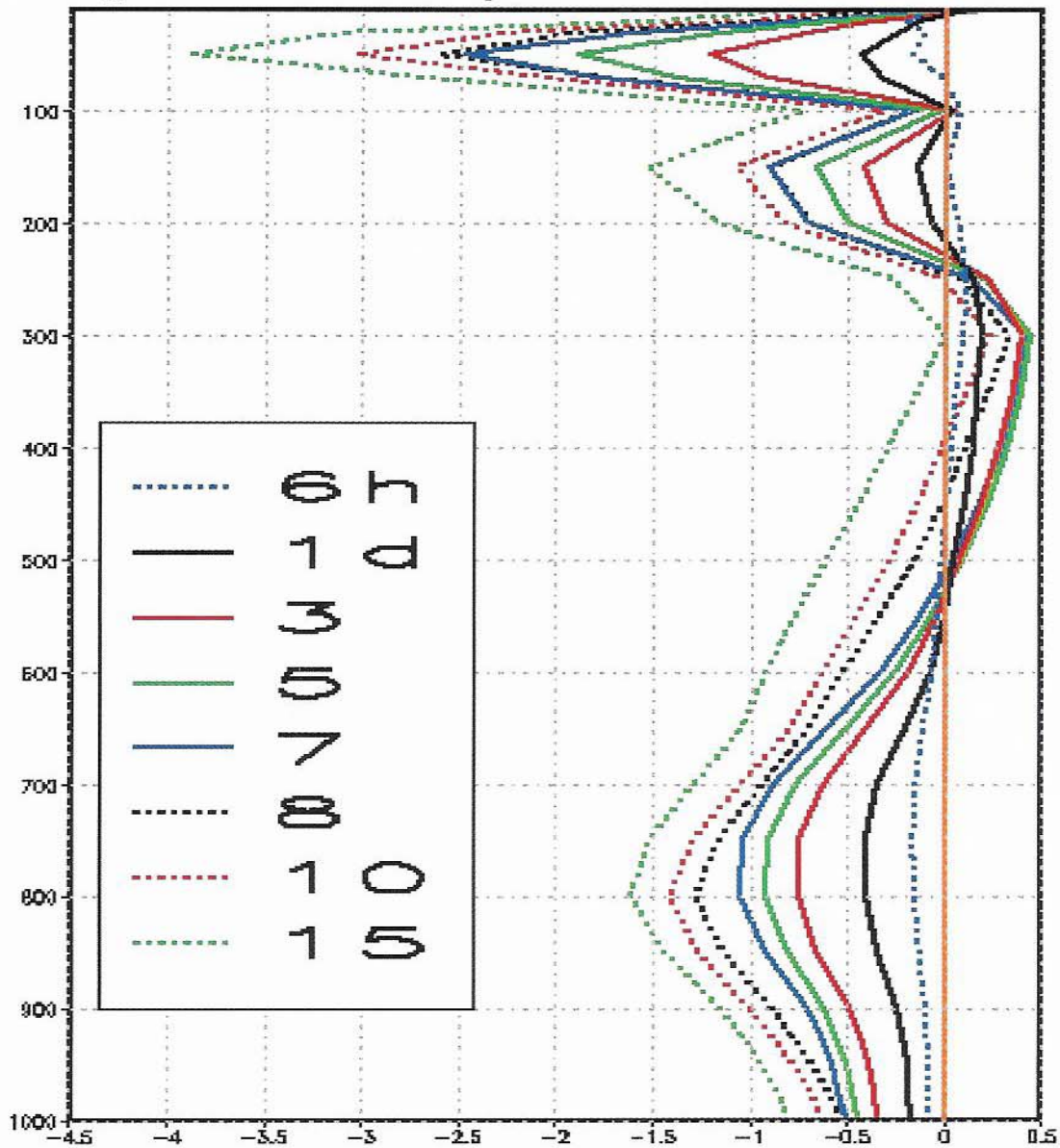


\* Extracted from manuscript in preparation, Johnson (2007)

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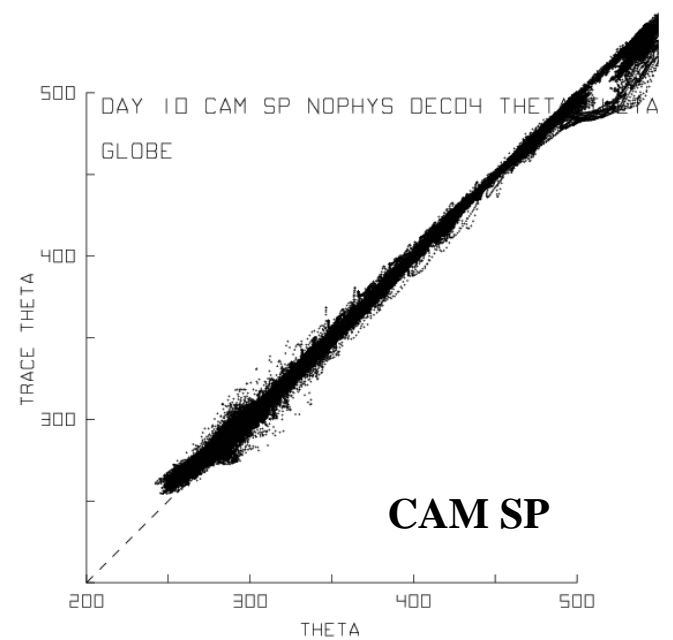
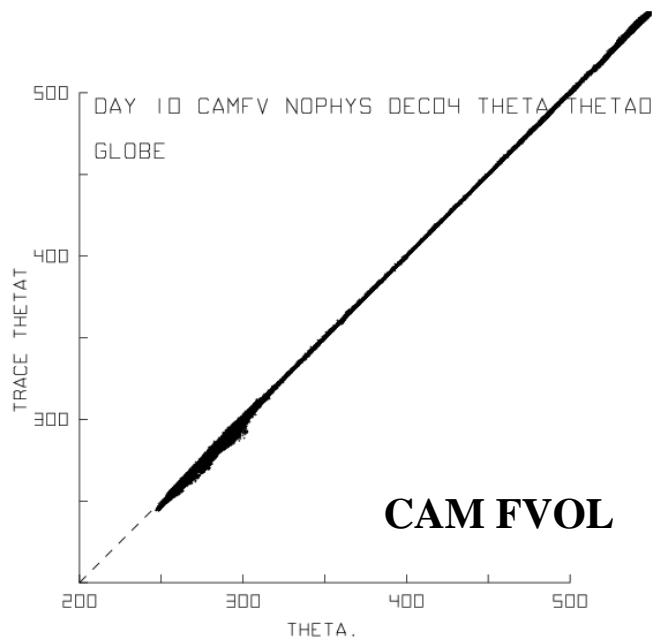
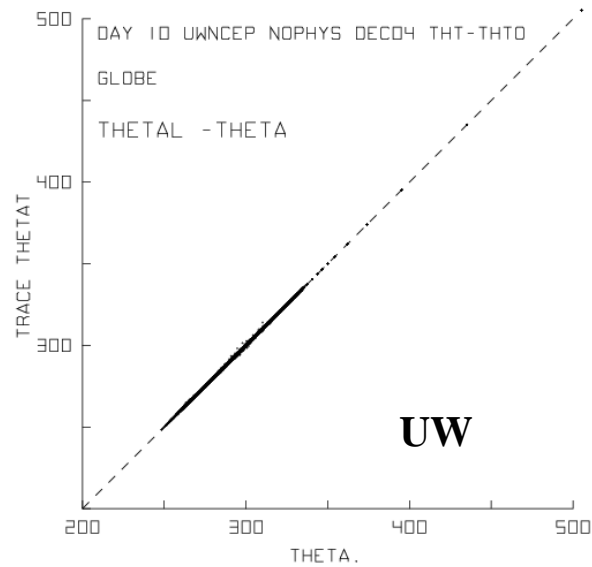


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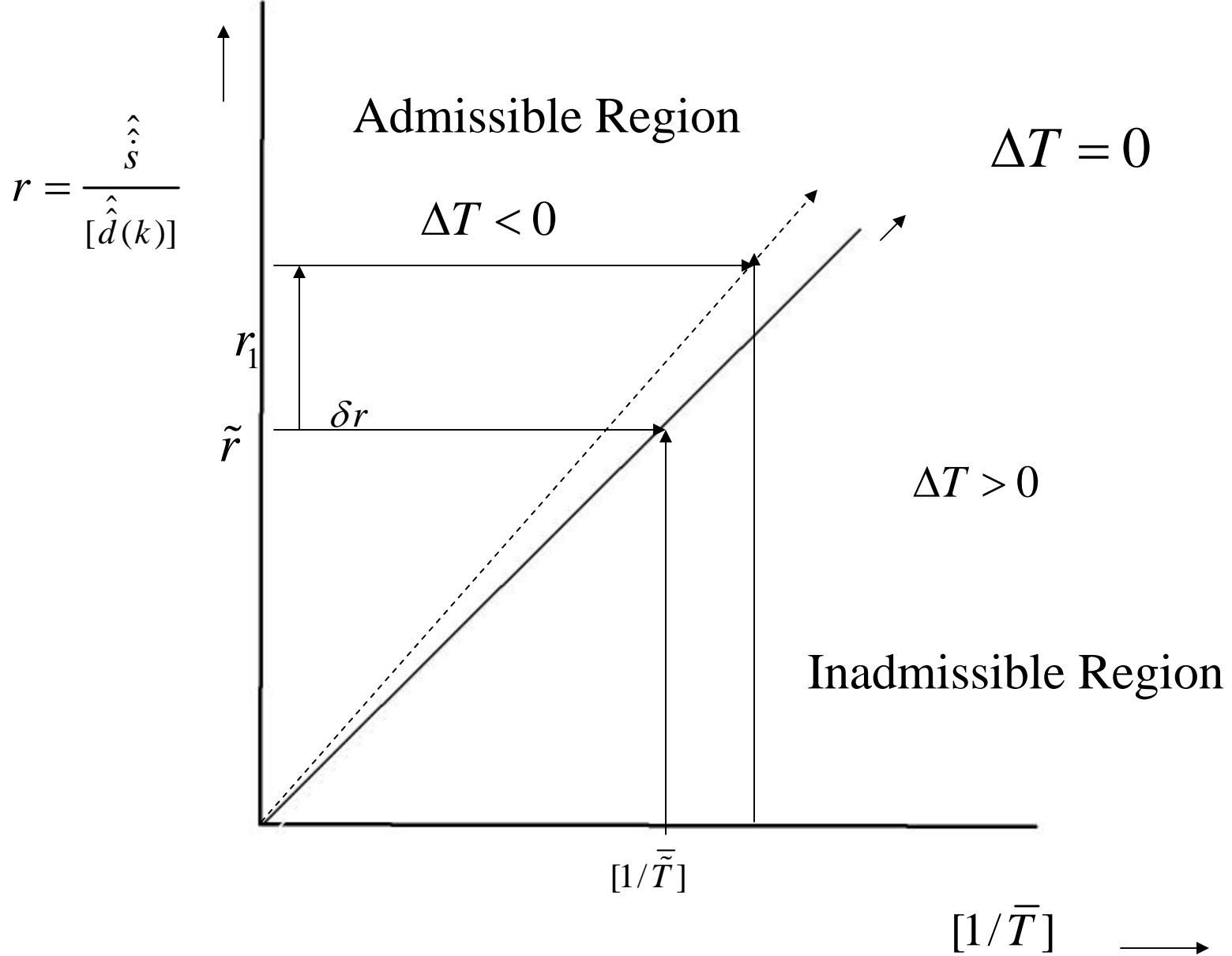


$$\theta - \theta_0$$

No Physics  
Day 10







$[\bar{T}^{-1}(1 - (\Delta T / \bar{T}))]$  and  $[\hat{s} / \hat{d}(k)](1 - (\Delta T / \bar{T}))$

define the slope of the family of dashed lines as a function of the abscissa and the ordinate passing through the origin in relation to the mean cold bias  $\Delta T$ .







# Air Temperature Differences

Mean Model

