Composition Models

(Supplemental to Chapter 2)

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Composition changes for the short-lived gases and particles from 2000 to 2100 in the GFDL experiments were calculated using the global chemical transport model MOZART-2 (Model for Ozone And Related chemical Tracers, version 2.4), which has been described in detail previously (Horowitz et al., 2003; Horowitz, 2006; and references therein). This model was used to generate distributions of ozone, sulfate, black and organic carbon, and dust for the emissions scenarios discussed in Section 3.2.1. Emissions and initial conditions for methane were scaled each decade to match the global average methane abundances specified in the A1B "marker" scenario. The model includes 63 gases, 11 particles and precursor gases to simulate sulfate, nitrate, ammonium, and black and organic carbon, and five size bins for mineral dust (diameter size bins of 0.2 to 2.0 μm, 2.0-3.6 μm, 3.6 to 6.0 μm, 6.0 to 12.0 μm, and 12.0 to 20.0 μm). Hydrophobic black and organic carbon are chemically transformed into hydrophilic forms with a lifetime of 1.63 days (Tie et al., 2005). Different particle types are assumed to be externally mixed and do not interact with one another. Sulfur oxidation in the gas phase and within clouds is fully interactive with the gas-phase oxidant chemistry.

The transport in MOZART-2 is driven with meteorological inputs provided every three hours by the middle-atmosphere version of the NCAR Community Climate Model (Kiehl *et al.*, 1998). The meteorology was the same for each decade, thus

excluding any feedback from climate change on natural emissions and rates of chemical reactions and removal. Thus, natural emissions, such as those of isoprene, dust, and NO_x from lightning, are held constant at present-day levels. Convective mass fluxes are rediagnosed from the large-scale meteorology using the Hack (1994) and Zhang and McFarlane (1995) schemes. Vertical diffusion within the boundary layer is diagnosed using the scheme of Holtslag and Boville (1993). Tracer advection is performed using a flux-form semi-Lagrangian scheme (Lin and Rood, 1996).

The horizontal resolution is 2.8° latitude x 2.8° longitude, with 34 hybrid sigma-pressure levels extending up to 4 hPa. Photolysis frequencies for clear-sky are interpolated from a precalculated lookup table, based on a standard radiative transfer calculation (TUV version 3.0; Madronich and Flocke, 1998). The values are modified to account for cloudiness (Brasseur *et al.*, 1998), but do not account for effects of the simulated particles. Heterogeneous hydrolysis of N_2O_5 and NO_3 on particle surfaces occurs at a rate based on the simulated sulfate surface area, with a reaction probability of 0.04 (Tie *et al.*, 2005). Stratospheric concentrations of ozone and several other long-lived gases are relaxed to present-day climatological values.

Dry deposition velocities for reactive gases are calculated offline using a resistance-in-series scheme (Wesely, 1989). Deposition velocities for particles are prescribed as by Tie *et al.* (2005). Wet removal of soluble gases and particles in and below clouds is included as a first-order loss process, based on the large-scale and convective precipitation rates, as described by Horowitz *et al.* (2003). In-cloud scavenging is based on the parameterization of Giorgi and Chameides (1985), while below-cloud washout

of highly soluble gases and particles follows Brasseur *et al.* (1998). For gases, the removal rate depends strongly on the temperature-dependent effective Henry's law constant. Wet deposition of soluble particles (sulfate, hydrophilic BC, hydrophilic OC, ammonium, and nitrate) is calculated by scaling the removal rate to that of highly-soluble HNO₃, assuming the particles have a first-order loss rate constant equal to 20 percent of that of HNO₃ (Tie *et al.*, 2005). This scaling introduces a large uncertainty into the calculation of particle burdens. Wet removal of dust is calculated using the formulation of Zender *et al.* (2003), with below-cloud scavenging efficiencies of 0.02 m² per kg for convective and 0.04 m² per kg for stratiform precipitation.

The ozone and particle distributions from these simulations have been evaluated by Horowitz (2006) and Ginoux et al. (2006), respectively. Simulated ozone concentrations agree well with present-day observations and recent trends (Horowitz, 2006). Overall, the predicted concentrations of particle are within a factor of two of the observed values and have a tendency to be overestimated (Ginoux et al., 2006). The annual mean surface sulfate concentrations match observed values within a factor of two with values ranging from 0.05 µg per m³ in the remote marine atmosphere to 13 μg per m³ in polluted regions. In general, the simulated concentrations are over-predicted in summer and underpredicted in winter. Sulfate mass column and zonal mean profiles are comparable to previous studies, although the global mean burden is about 15 percent higher. The annual mean concentration of carbonaceous particles is generally overestimated in polluted regions by up to a factor of two. An exception is West Africa, where other models show significant loadings of carbonaceous particles associated with biomass burning activities during the dry season, while our results do not show any perturbation arising from such activities. The source of this discrepancy seems to be caused in part by the emission inventory in West Africa. The annual mean dust concentration at the surface agrees with the observations to within a factor of two, except over Antarctica where it is underestimated by a factor of five.

The three-dimensional monthly mean distributions of ozone, black and organic carbon particles, and sulfate particles from MOZART-2 were archived from simulations for each decade from 2000 to 2100. The results from these simulations were then interpolated to intermediate years and used in the transient climate simulations. The distribution of dust from a present-day simulation in MOZART-2 was used in all years of the climate simulations.

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The configuration of the GISS composition model used here has been described in detail in (Shindell et al., 2007). The composition model PUCCINI (Physical Understanding of Composition-Climate INteractions and Impacts) includes ozone and oxidant photochemistry in both the troposphere and stratosphere (Shindell et al., 2006). Photochemistry includes 155 reactions. The model calculates the abundances of 51 chemicals, 26 of which are transported by the model's advection scheme. It uses "lumped families" for hydrocarbons and PANs. Chemical reactions involving these surrogates are based on the similarity between the molecular bond structures within each family using the reduced chemical mechanism of (Houweling et al., 1998). This mechanism is based on the Carbon Bond Mechanism-4 (CBM-4) (Gery et al., 1989), modified to better represent the globally important range of conditions. The CBM-4 scheme has been validated extensively against smog chamber experiments and more detailed chemical schemes. This scheme was modified for use in global models by removing aromatic compounds and adding in reactions important in background conditions, including organic nitrate and organic peroxide reactions, and extending the methane oxidation chemistry. The revised scheme was then readjusted based on the more extensive Regional Atmospheric Chemistry Model (RACM) (Stockwell et al., 1997), and the modified scheme includes several surrogates designed to compensate for biases relative to the RACM mechanism. The modified scheme was shown to agree well with the detailed RACM reference mechanism over a wide range of chemical conditions including relatively pristine environments (Houweling et al., 1998).

Rate coefficients are taken from the NASA JPL 2000 handbook (Sander et al., 2000). Photolysis rates are calculated using the Fast-J2 scheme (Bian and Prather, 2002), except for the photolysis of water and nitric oxide (NO) in the Schumann-Runge bands, which are parameterized according to Nicolet (1984; Nicolet and Cieslik, 1980). The particle component simulates sulfate, carbonaceous and sea salt particles (Koch et al., 2007; Koch et al., 2006) and nitrate particles (Bauer et al., 2007). It includes prognostic simulations of DMS, MSA, SO₂ and sulfate mass distributions. The mineral dust particle model transports four different sizes classes of dust particles with radii between 0.1 to 1, 1 to 2, 2 to 4, and 4 to 8 microns (Miller et al., 2006). Most importantly, these components interact with one another, with linkages including oxidants affecting sulfate, gases affecting nitrate, sulfate affecting nitrogen heterogeneous chemistry via reaction of N₂O₅ to HNO₃, and sulfate and nitrate being absorbed onto mineral dust surfaces (*i.e.*, the particles are internally mixed as coatings form on dust surfaces (Bauer *et al.*, 2007). The latter is described by a pseudo first-order rate coefficient which gives the net irreversible removal rate of gases by an particle surface. We use the uptake coefficient of 0.1 recommended from laboratory measurements (Hanisch and Crowley, 2001), though this value is fairly uncertain.

Phase transformation and removal is calculated using a wet deposition scheme in which soluble gases can be removed into either moist convective plumes or large-scale clouds as derived from the GCM's internal cloud scheme (Del Genio and Yao, 1993). During convection, all gases and particles are transported along with the convective plumes, with scavenging of soluble gases and particles within and below cloud updrafts. In large-scale stratiform clouds, soluble gases are removed based on the fraction of the grid box over which precipitation is taking place. Washout of soluble gases and particles is calculated below precipitating clouds. In the case of either evaporation of precipitation before reaching the ground, or detrainment or evaporation from a convective updraft, the dissolved gases and particles are returned to the air. Wet chemistry calculations take place in each grid box at each time step, including the coupling with the convection scheme's entraining and nonentraining plumes (which are based on the convective instability in the particular grid box at that time), so are entirely consistent with the contemporaneous model physics. The solubility of each gas is determined by an effective Henry's Law coefficient, assuming a pH of 4.5. Surface dry deposition is calculated using a resistance-in-series model (Wesely and Hicks, 1977) coupled with a global, seasonally varying vegetation data set as given by Chin et al. (1996).

The 2000 simulation uses the 2000 emission inventory of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), except for biomass burning which is taken from the Global Fire Emission Database (GFED) averaged over 1997 to 2002 (Van der Werf *et al.*, 2003) with emission factors from (Andrae and Merlet, 2001) for particles. The IIASA inventory is based on the 1995 EDGAR3.2 inventory (Olivier and Berdowski, 2001), extrapolated to 2000 using national and sector economic development data (Dentener *et al.*, 2005). Lightning NO_x emissions are calculated internally in the GCM (5.6 Tg per year for present-day), and other natural sources are prescribed according to conventional estimates. Dust emissions are constant at 1580 Tg per year, while isoprene emissions are 356 Tg per year. Emissions of DMS are 41 Tg per year.

The simulations described here were run with this composition model included within a 23-layer (up to 0.01 hPa), 4° x 5° horizontal resolution version of the ModelE climate model (Schmidt *et al.*, 2006). This composition model was used for both the transient climate and regional/sector emissions perturbation simulations.

Present-day composition results in the model are generally similar to those in the underlying chemistry and particle models documented previously. The model used here does not include the enhanced convective scavenging of insoluble gases and particles prescribed in Koch *et al.* (2007). Therefore our carbonaceous particle burden, especially in the free troposphere, is nearly double that of Koch *et al.* (2007). Comparison with the limited available observations is comparable between the two simulations (a positive bias replaces a negative bias).

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Various methods were used at NCAR to estimate future composition. Present-day tropospheric ozone was taken from calculations performed by Lamarque *et al.* (2005) using the MOZART-2 model; beyond 2000, tropospheric ozone was calculated by T. Wigley using the MAGICC model http://www.cru.uea.ac.uk/~mikeh/software/magicc.htm forced by the time-varying emissions of NO_x, methane and VOCs and these average global values were used to scale the present-day distribution. Future carbonaceous particles were scaled from their present-day distribution (Collins *et al.*, 2001) by a globally uniform factor whose time evolution follows the global evolution of SO₂ emissions. Future levels of sulfate particles were calculated using the MOZART model. Stratospheric ozone changes are prescribed following the study by (Kiehl *et al.*, 1999).

The Model for Ozone and Related chemical Tracers version 2 (MOZART-2) is described by Horowitz *et al.* (2003) and references therein. The model provides the distribution of 80 chemical constituents (including nonmethane hydrocarbons) between the surface and the stratosphere. The model was run at a uniform horizontal resolution of ~2.8° in both latitude and longitude. The vertical discretization of the meteorological data (described below) and hence of the model consists of 18 hybrid levels from the ground to ~4 hPa. The evolution of gases and particles is calculated with a time step of 20 minutes.

The tropospheric photolysis rates use a vertical distribution of ozone based on the simulated ozone in the troposphere and on the climatology from Kiehl *et al.* (1999) above. For each simulation, this latter distribution is updated to reflect the changes in the lower stratosphere during the twentieth century, affecting only the photolysis rates and not the amount of ozone transported from the stratosphere.

The NCAR regional/sector perturbation simulations (Section 3.4) used a version of MOZART chemical transport model (Horowitz et al., 2003) embedded within the Community Atmosphere Model (CAM3, Collins et al., 2006). This model, known as CAM-chem, includes an extension of the chemical mechanism presented by Horowitz et al. (2003) to include an updated terpene oxidation scheme and a better treatment of anthropogenic non-methane hydrocarbons (NMHCs). The MOZART particles have been extended by Tie et al. (2001, 2005) to include a representation of ammonium nitrate that is dependent on the amount of sulfate and ammonia present in the air mass following the parameterization of gas/particle partitioning by Metzger et al. (2002). In brief, CAM-chem simulates the evolution of the bulk particle mass of black carbon (BC, hydrophobic and hydrophilic), primary organic (POA, hydrophobic and hydrophilic), second organic (SOA, linked to the gas-phase chemistry through the oxidation of atmospheric NMHCs as in (Chung and Seinfeld, 2002), ammonium and ammonium nitrate (from NH₃ emissions), and sulfate particles (from SO₂ and DMS emissions). It also considers the uptake of N₂O₅, HO₂, NO₂, and NO₃ on particles. Results from the CAM-chem model are discussed by Lamarque et al. (2005). A description of sea salt, updated from Tie et al. (2005), is also included. Finally, a monthly-varying climatology of dust is used only for radiative calculations. The CAM-chem model considers only the direct effect of particles and the atmospheric model is coupled with the chemistry solely through the radiative fluxes, taking into account all radiatively active gases and particles. The horizontal resolution is 2° latitude x 2.5° longitude, with 26 levels ranging from the surface to ~4 hPa.