

Lagrangian Advective and Convective Transport of Passive Tracers Within the EMAC Chemistry Climate Model

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We introduce the extended and improved Lagrangian (LG) advection scheme **ATTILA** (Atmospheric Tracer Transport in a **L**agrangian model, *Reithmeier and Sausen (2002)*), which was parallelised, modularised and rewritten as a submodel for the **EMAC** (ECHAM/MESSy Atmospheric Chemistry) model (*Jöckel et al., 2010*).

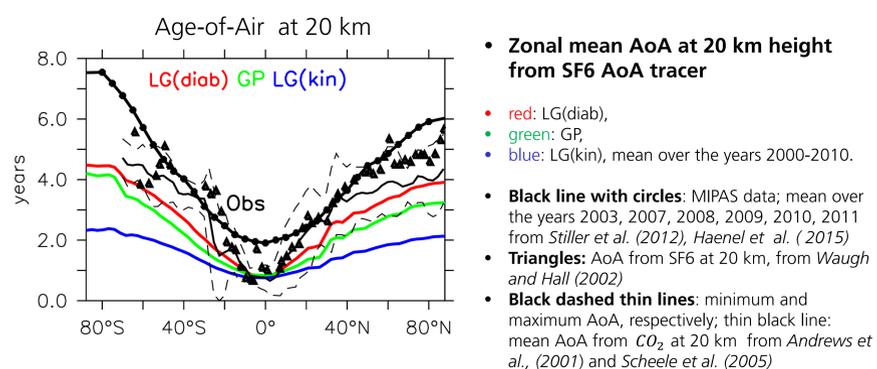
ATTILA is complemented by a new infrastructure (pseudo random number generators, parallelisation, transformation and transposition methods), **new physical** (*air parcel mixing, Lagrangian convection, diabatic vertical velocity*) and new diagnostic submodels.

Model Simulations

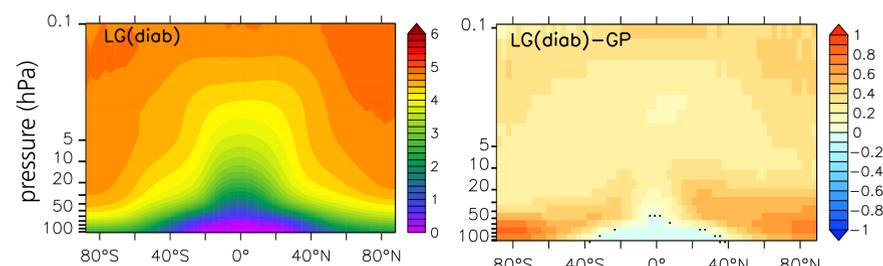
3 transient simulations from 1950 – 2010 in T42L47MA resolution with EMAC/ATTILA similar to CCMI free running hind-cast simulations:

1. Grid point **GP**
2. Lagrangian with diabatic vertical velocity **LG(diab)**
3. Lagrangian with kinematic vertical velocity **LG(kin)**

Simulation of Age-of-Air

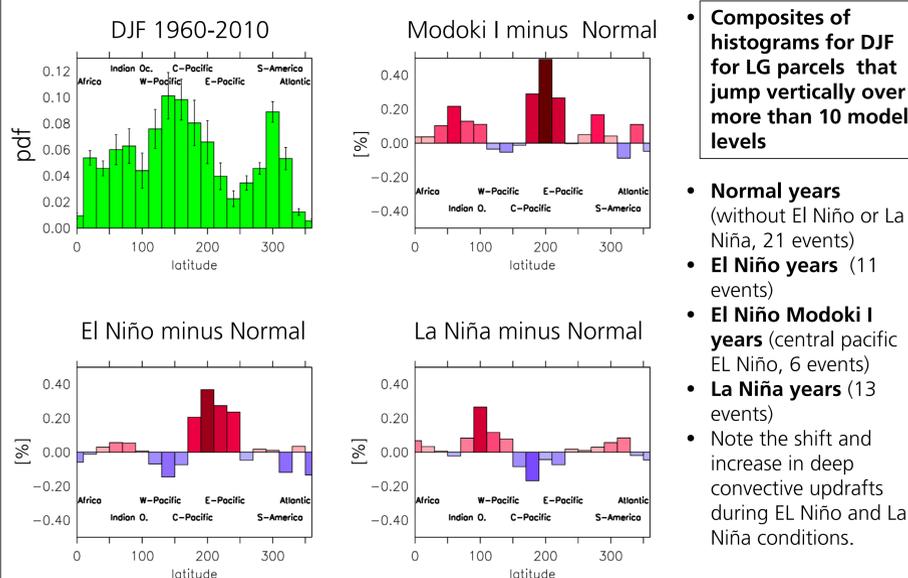


Age-of-Air (1960-2010)



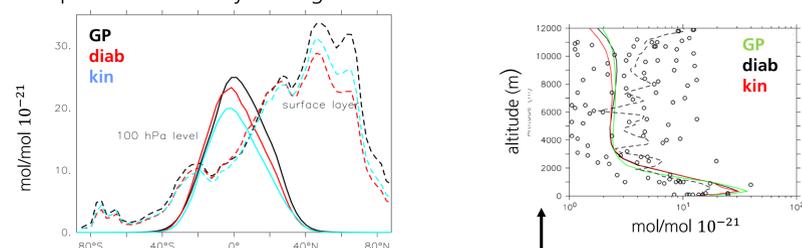
LG(diab) simulation shows older air throughout the stratosphere, most pronounced at high latitudes between 100 and 50 hPa compared to the GP simulation. → LG(diab) less diffusive

Lagrangian Convection Example: Histogram Composites of Deep Updrafts During DJF (1960-2010) in the Tropics

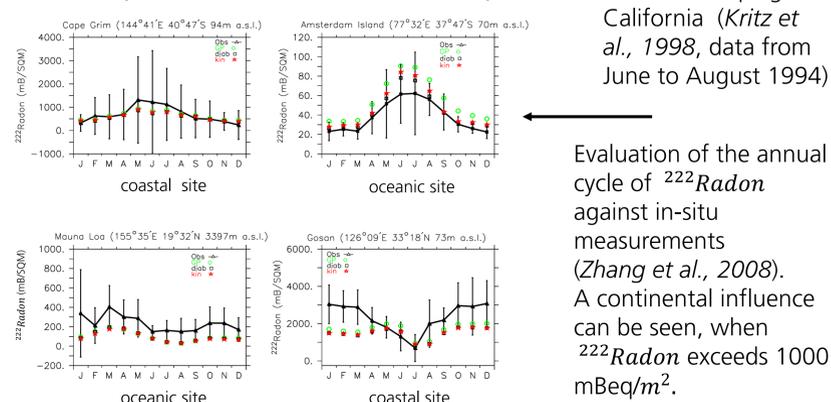


Evaluation with ²²²Radon

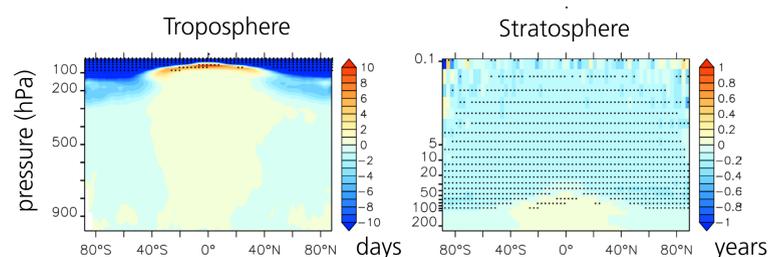
Inter-Comparison of Zonally Averaged ²²²Radon Distributions



Annual Cycle of ²²²Radon in the Surface Layer



Inter-Parcel Mixing: Influence on Age-of-Air in LG(diab)



with minus without inter-parcel mixing

Inter-comparison of a tracer *with* and *without* inter-parcel mixing of simulation LG(diab).

Stippled area is statistically significant (t-test, 99%)

- Inter-parcel mixing makes air at the tropical tropopause older by ~10 days
- Inter-parcel mixing makes stratospheric air younger by ~3 months

Seasonal Spectra of Age-of-Air from LG(diab) Simulation

