

Use of GMI to Study Tropospheric and Stratospheric Bromine Budgets

Debra Weisenstein

AER, Inc.

GMI Science Team Meeting

17-19 March 2008

Motivation

- Measurements of BrO imply Br_y concentrations 4-8 pptv greater than models which include only CH₃Br + halons
- BrO provides reaction partner to ClO, which is most important in lower stratosphere
- This additional Br_y has large effect on stratospheric ozone trends, particularly during times of volcanic aerosol loading
- Tropospheric effects on O₃, OH, HO₂, H₂O₂, DMS, SO₂

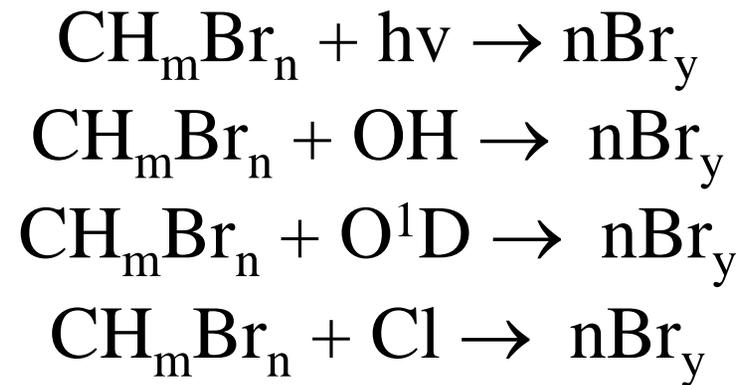
Relevant Compounds and Sources

Compound	Abundance	Sources
CH ₃ Br	9-10 pptv	Fumigation, biomass burning, phytoplankton
CHBr ₃	0.6-3.0 pptv	phytoplankton, macroalgae
CH ₂ Br ₂	0.8-3.4 pptv	phytoplankton, macroalgae
CH ₂ BrCl	0.1-0.5 pptv	phytoplankton, macroalgae
CHBr ₂ Cl	0.1-0.5 pptv	phytoplankton, macroalgae
CHBrCl ₂	0.1-0.6 pptv	phytoplankton, macroalgae
C ₂ H ₄ Br ₂	0.3-0.5 pptv	Industrial, biogenic?

Emissions and Lifetimes

Compound	Lifetime	Emission Strength
CH ₃ Br	0.7 yr	112-454 Gg/yr
CHBr ₃	26 days	200-285 Gg/yr
CH ₂ Br ₂	4 months	55-67 Gg/yr
CH ₂ BrCl	5 months	2.9 Gg/yr
CHBr ₂ Cl	69 days	4.2-12 Gg/yr
CHBrCl ₂	78 days	5.5-7.0 Gg/yr
C ₂ H ₄ Br ₂	84 days	77-151 Gg/yr

GMI 2-Species Calculations



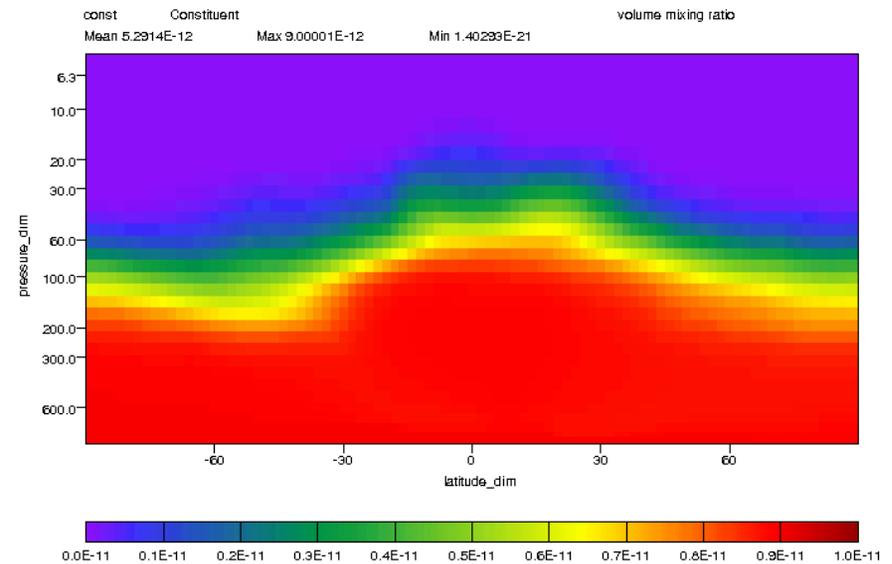
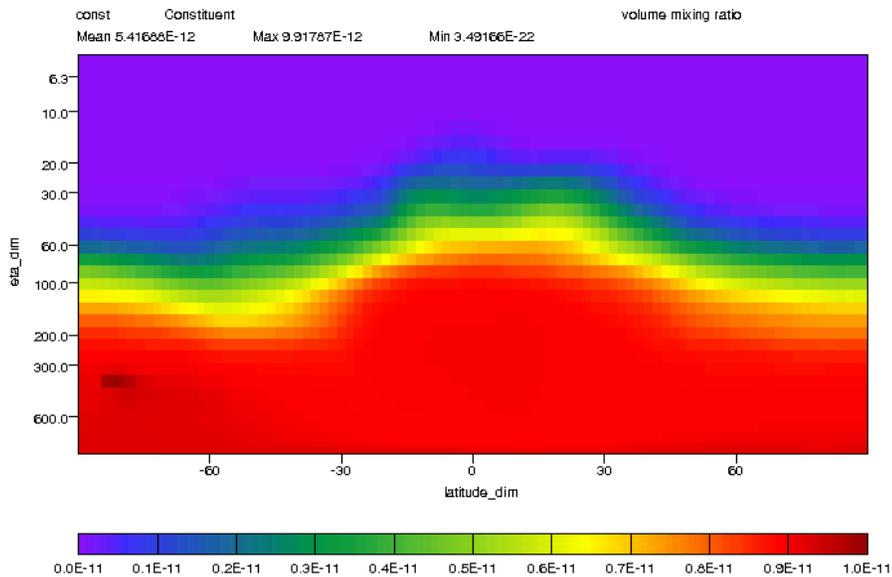
- Solve for CH_mBr_n and Br_y
- OH , O^1D , Cl , H_2O , O_3 fixed species
- CH_3Br , CHBr_3 , and CH_2Br_2 done
 - Their photolysis cross-sections already in FastJX

GMI Runs Initial Setup

- Similar to Aura 2005 Combo calculation
- 2°x2.5°x42 geometry
- Convection (NCAR option)
- Diffusion (DAO2 vertical diffusion=1.0)
- FastJX, clear sky
- Dry_dep=F, Wet_dep=T (Br_y coeff=1.0), wetchem=T
- Fixed species from Aura 2005 Combo Calculation
- GEOS4DAS-2005 met fields repeated annually
- Fixed mixing ratio boundary conditions
- Run on Discover with 36 processors, 5.5 hr/yr

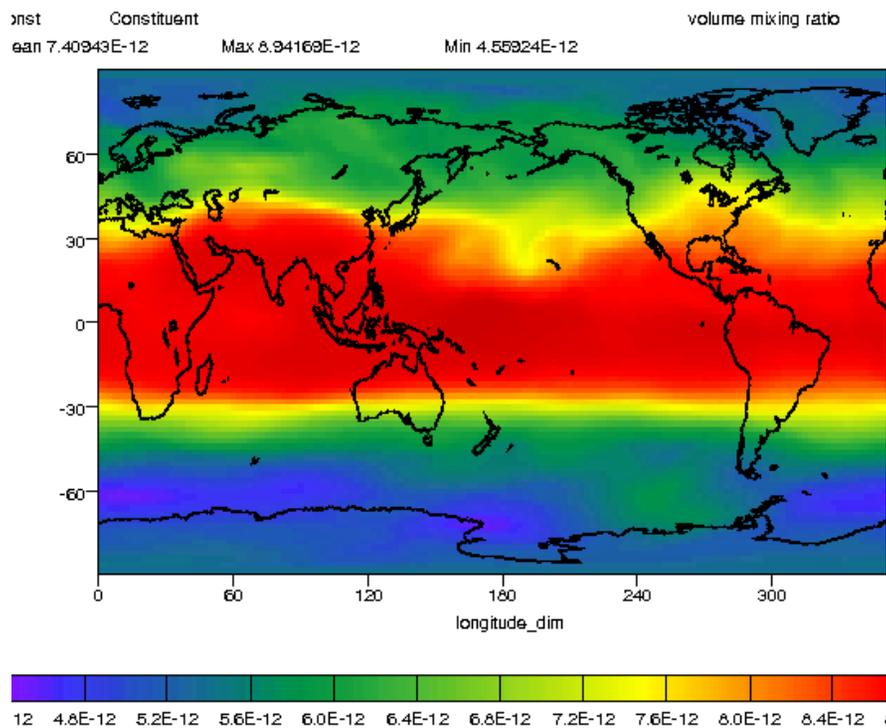
CH₃Br from Aura 2005 Combo Run - September

CH₃Br from Bromine-only DAS 2005 Run - September

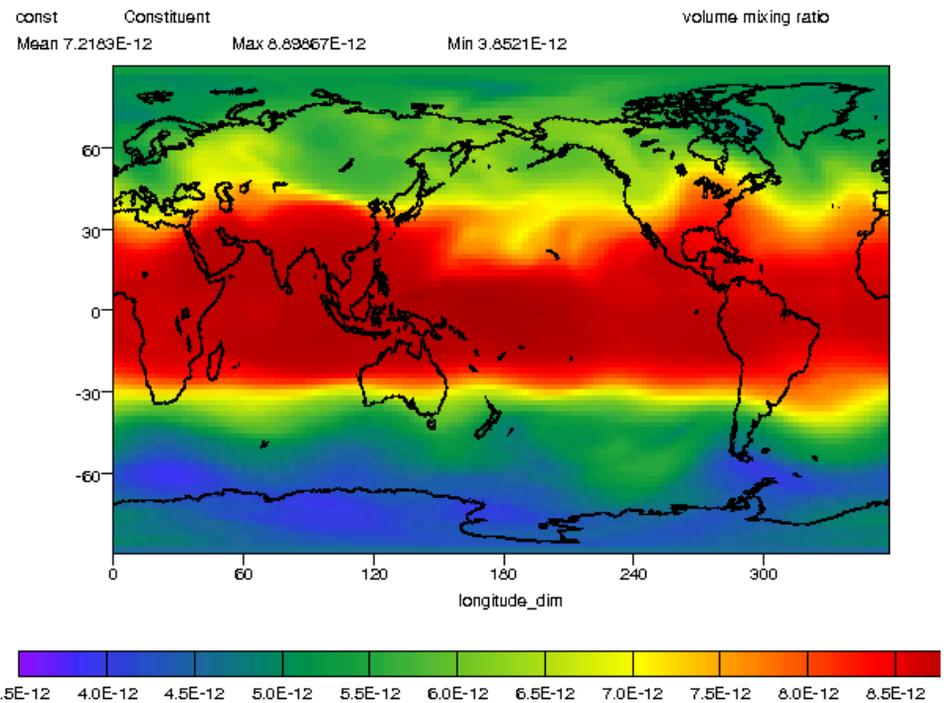


Boundary conditions different (time-dep vs fixed)

CH₃Br from Aura 2005 Combo Run - June 100mb



CH₃Br from Bromine-only DAS 2005 Run - June 100 mb

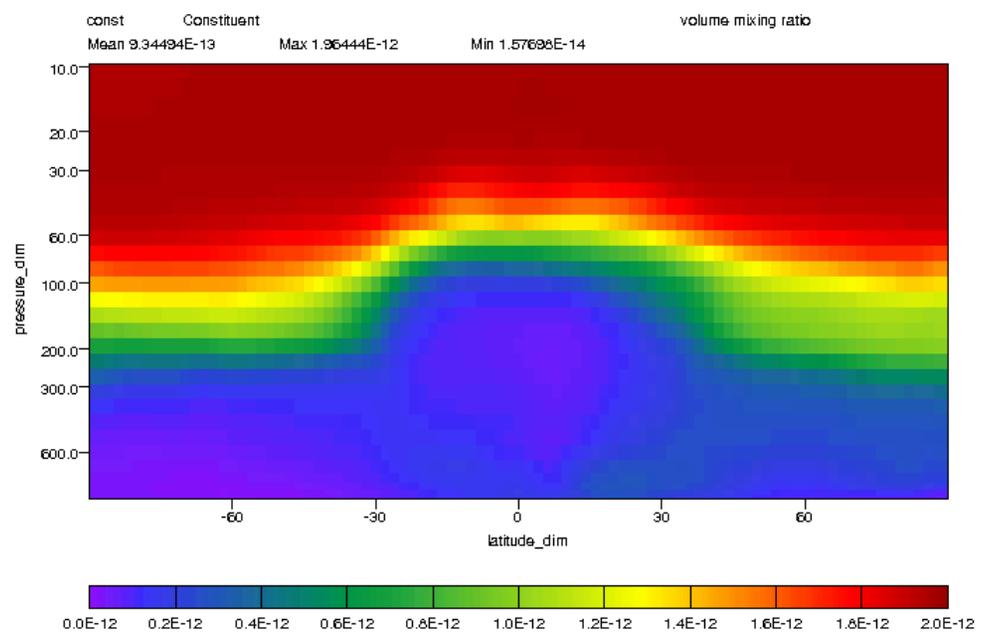
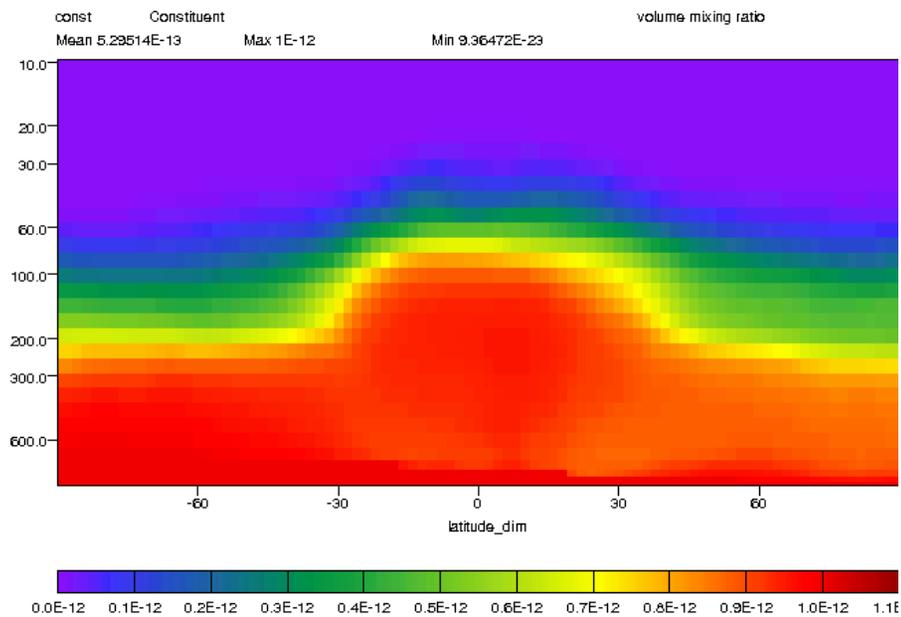


Boundary conditions different (time-dep vs fixed)

GMI Bromine-only Calculations

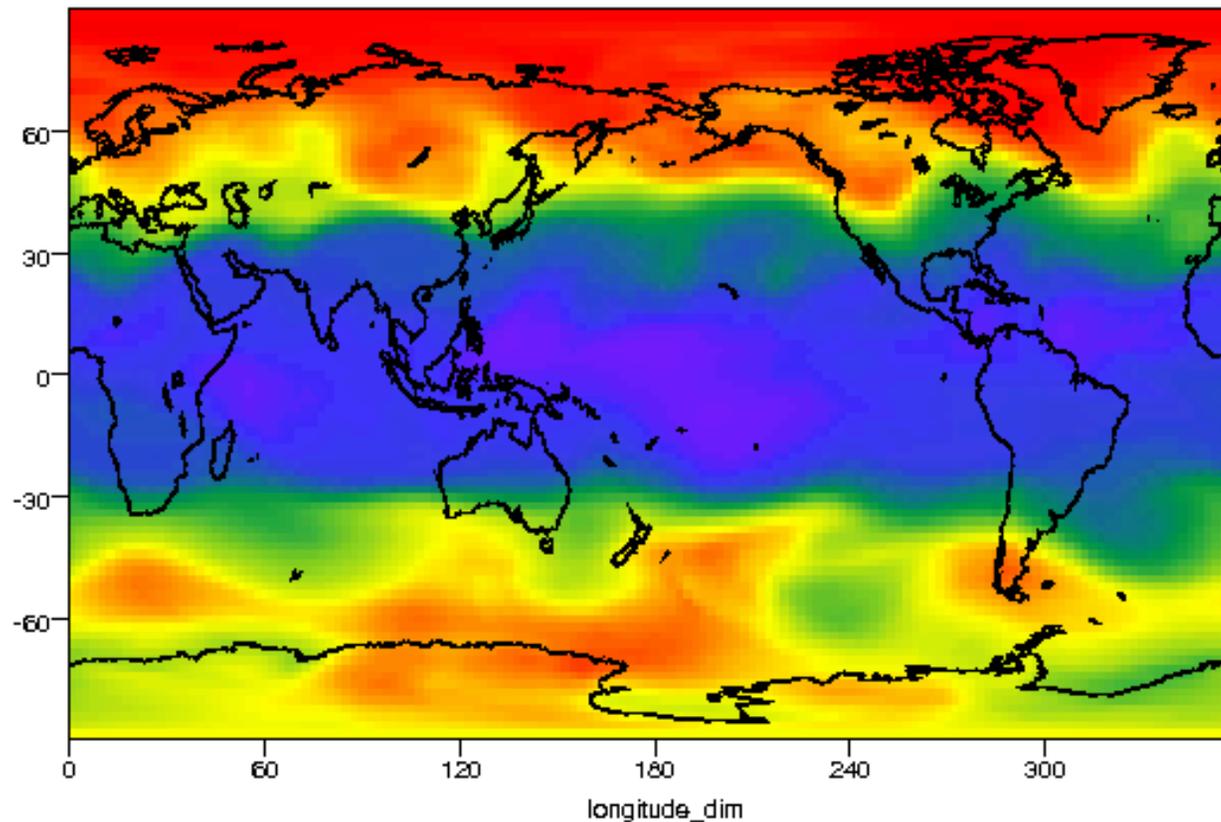
- CH₃Br at 9 pptv
- CH₂Br₂ at 1.0 pptv
 - DAS 2005 meteorology
 - Fvgcm 1998 meteorology
- CHBr₃ at 1.3 pptv
 - DAS 2005 meteorology
 - DAS 2001 meteorology
 - Fvgcm 1998 meteorology
- OH, O¹D, Cl, O₃, H₂O always from Aura Combo with DAS meteorology for 2005

CH₂Br₂ and Br_y Zonal Means in June



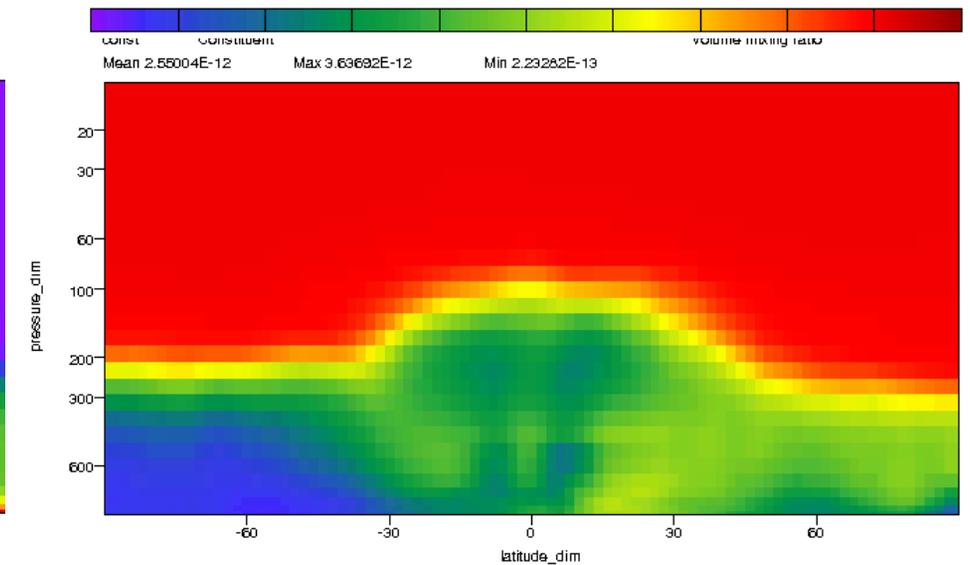
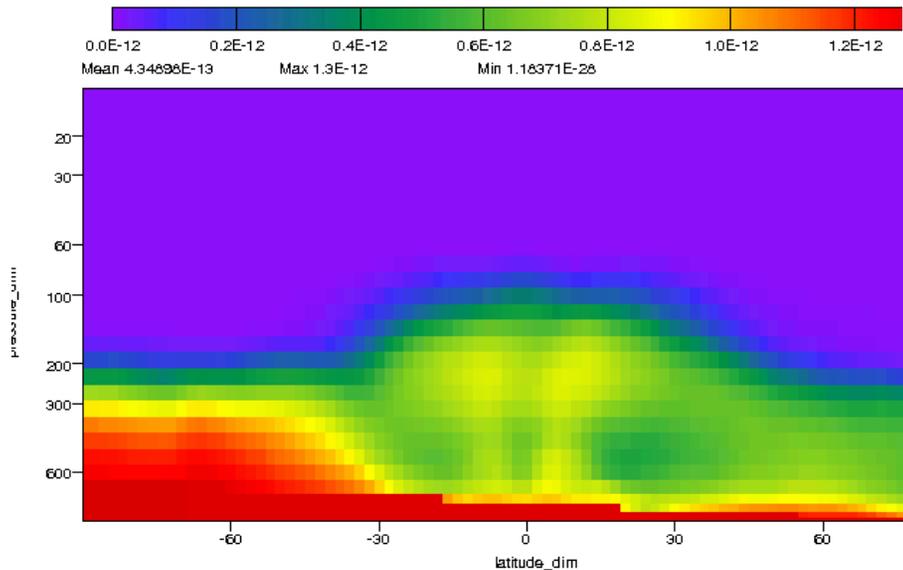
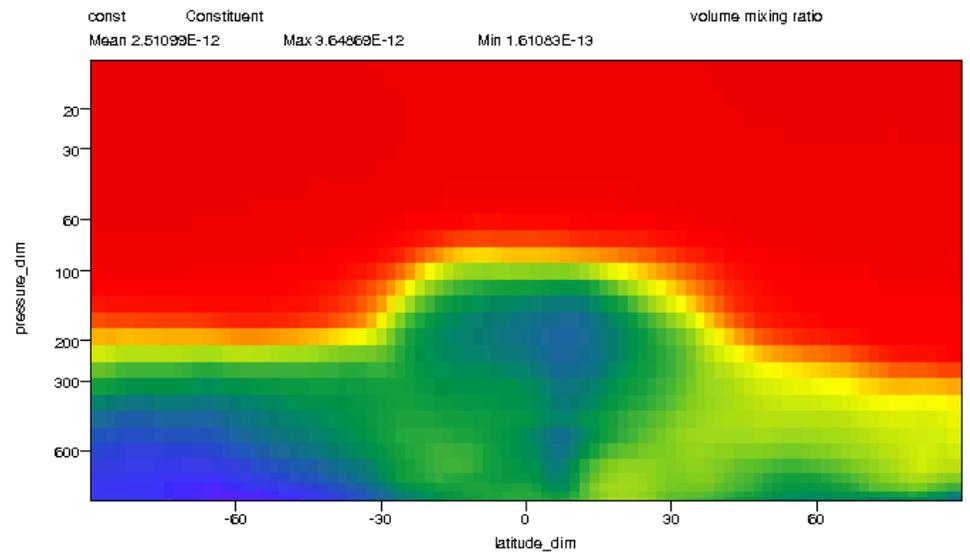
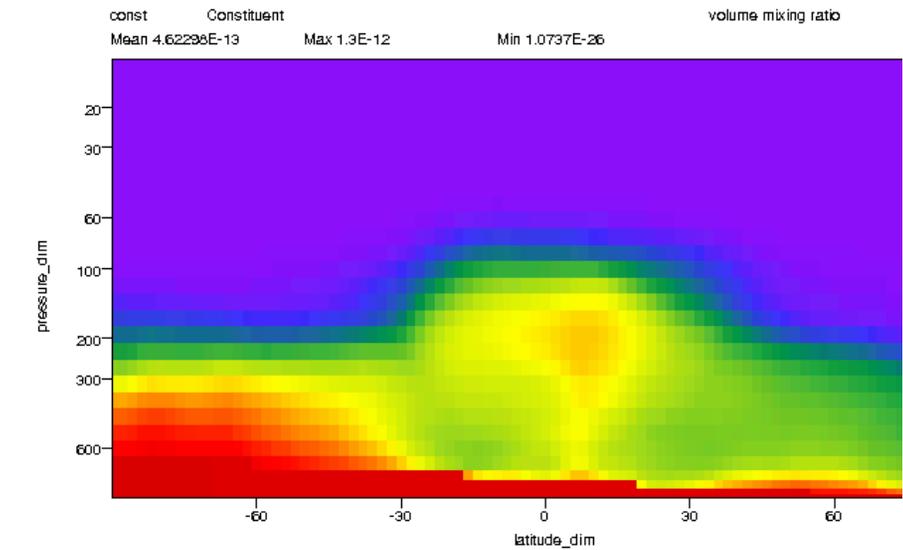
Br_y from CH₂Br₂ at 200 mb in June

const Constituent volume mixing ratio
Mean 3.7197E-13 Max 1.00907E-12 Min 2.59266E-14



CHBr₃ and Br_y Zonal Means in June

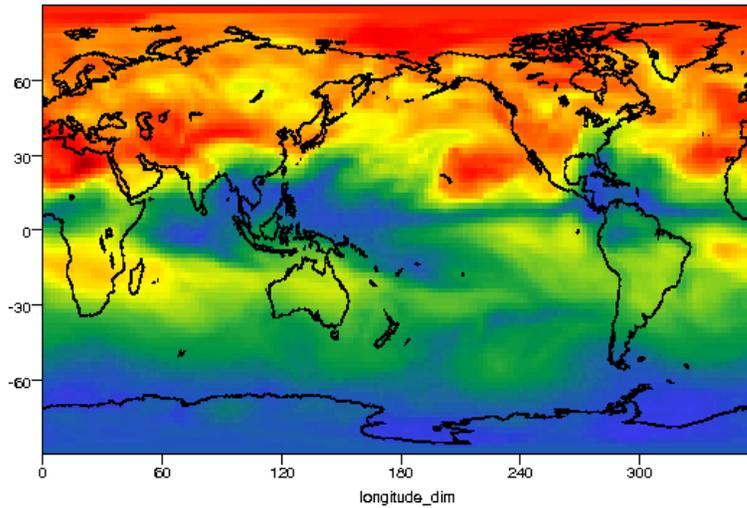
top DAS2005, bottom fvgcm1998



Br_y from CHBr₃ at 500 mb in June

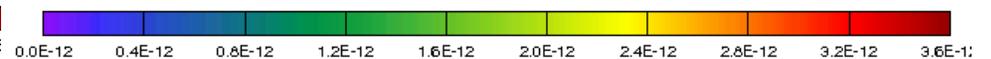
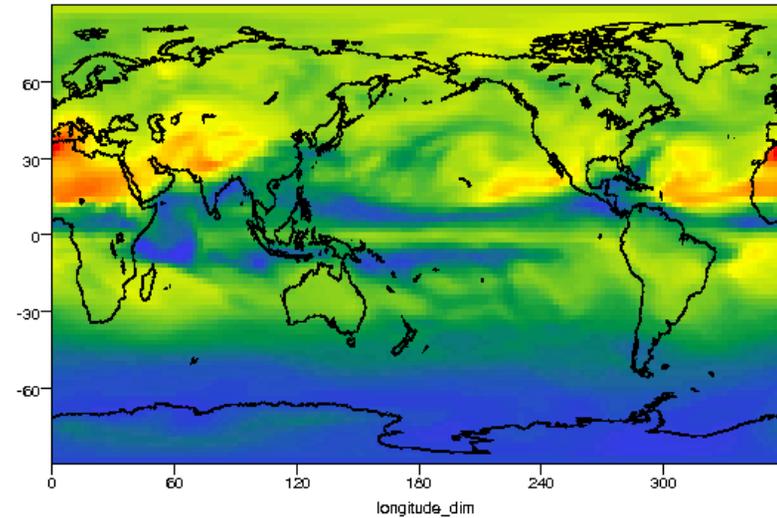
DAS2005 met fields

const Constituent volume mixing ratio
Mean 1.42438E-12 Max 2.75316E-12 Min 3.98762E-13

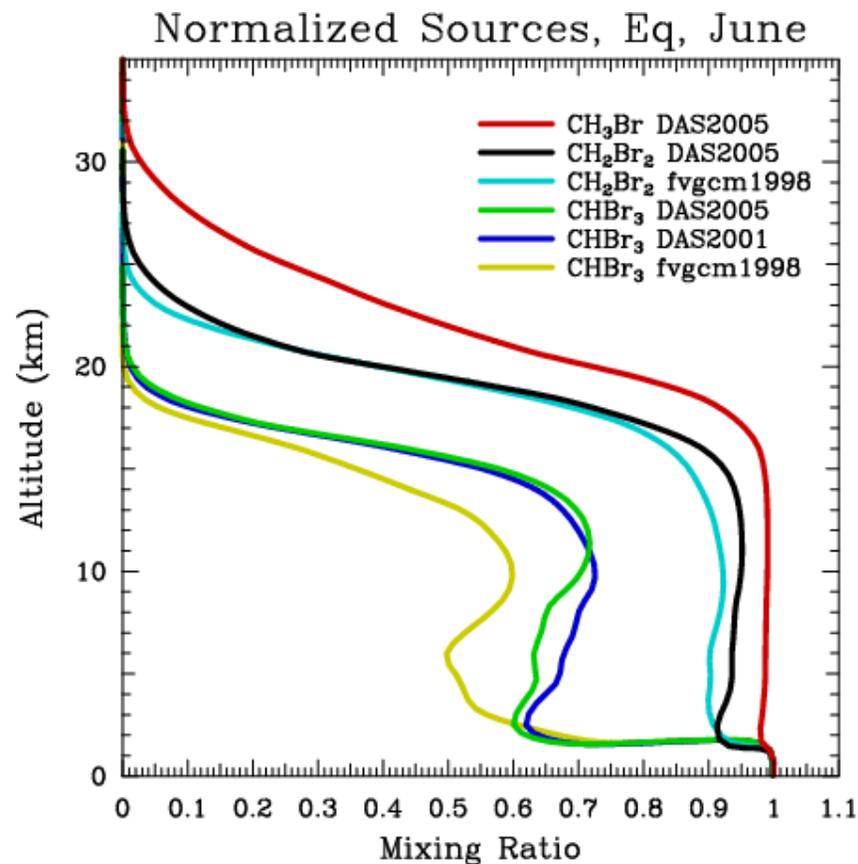
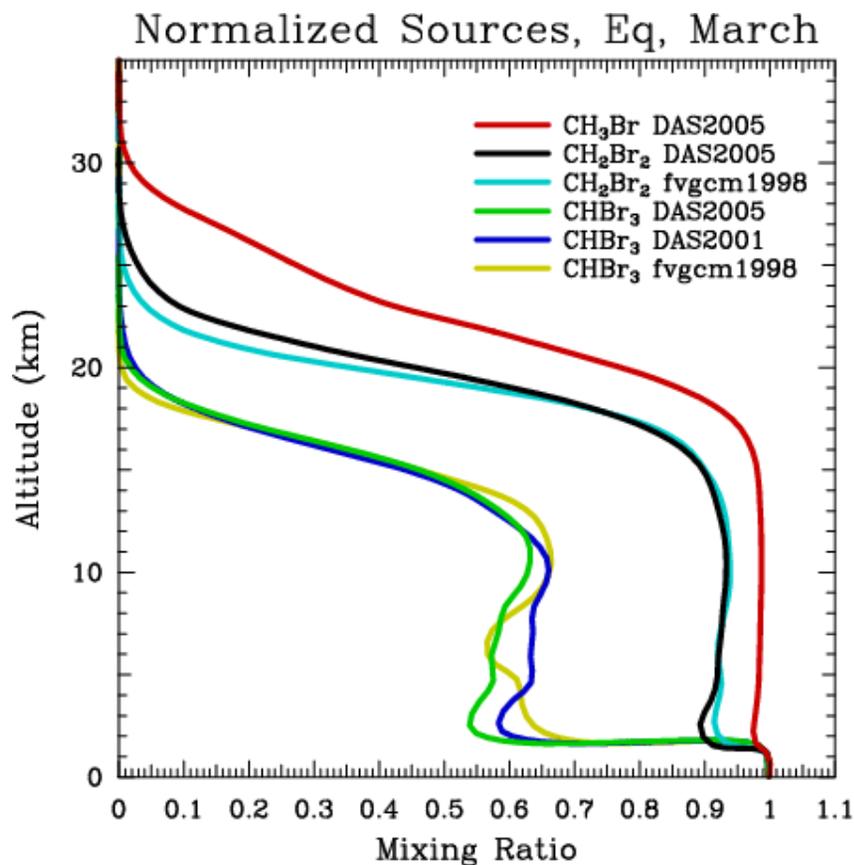


fvgcm 1998 met fields

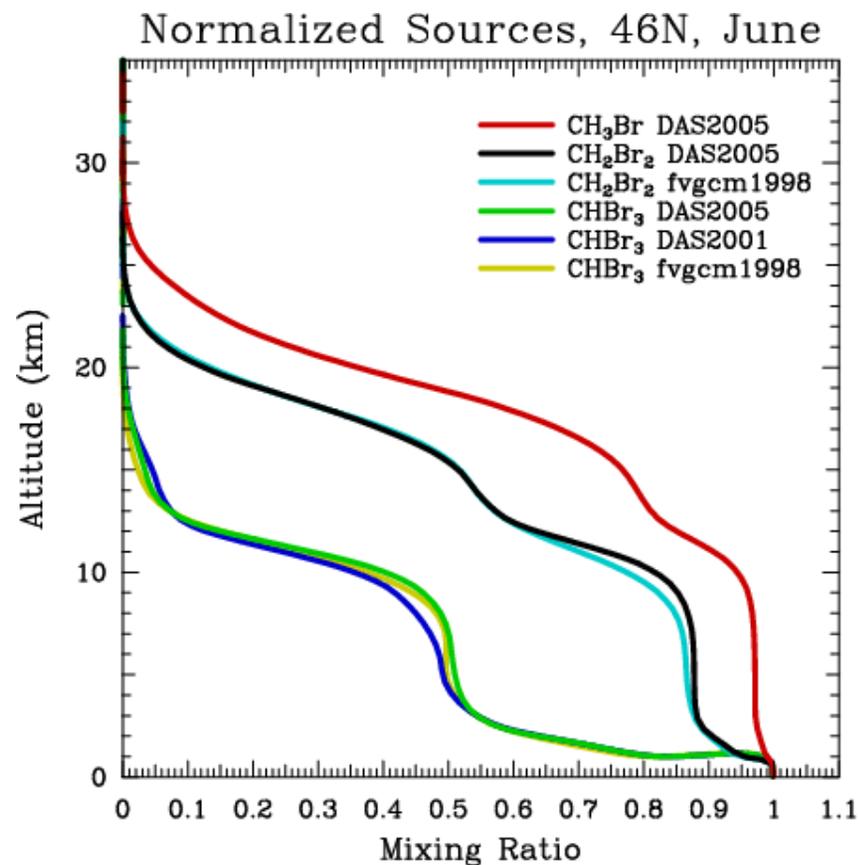
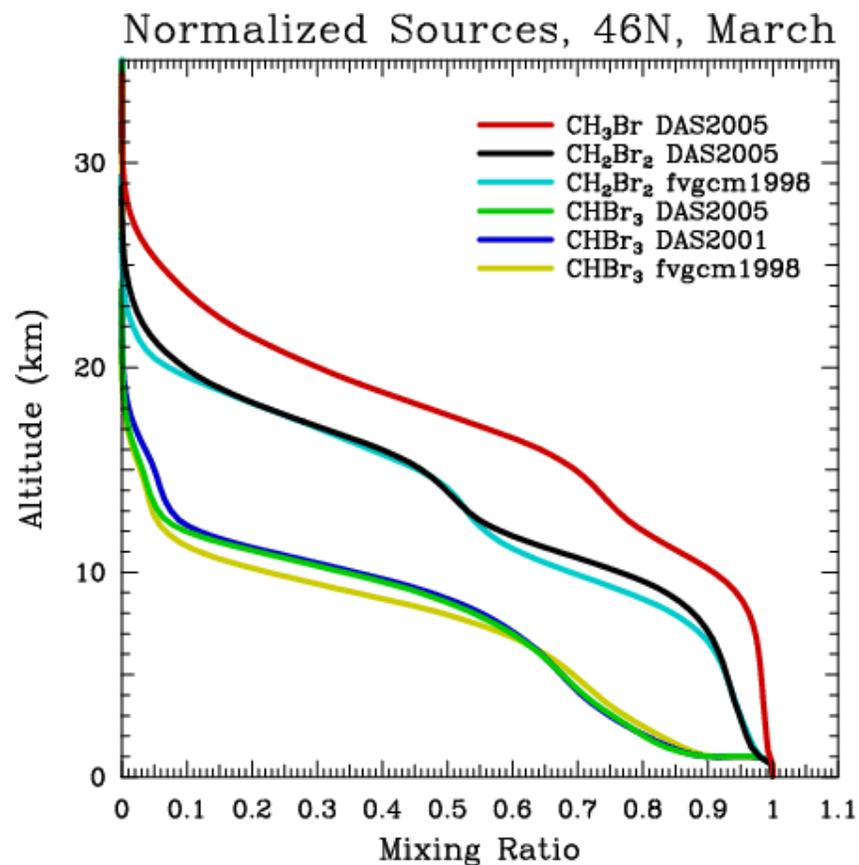
const Constituent volume mixing ratio
Mean 1.44686E-12 Max 3.32257E-12 Min 2.59063E-13



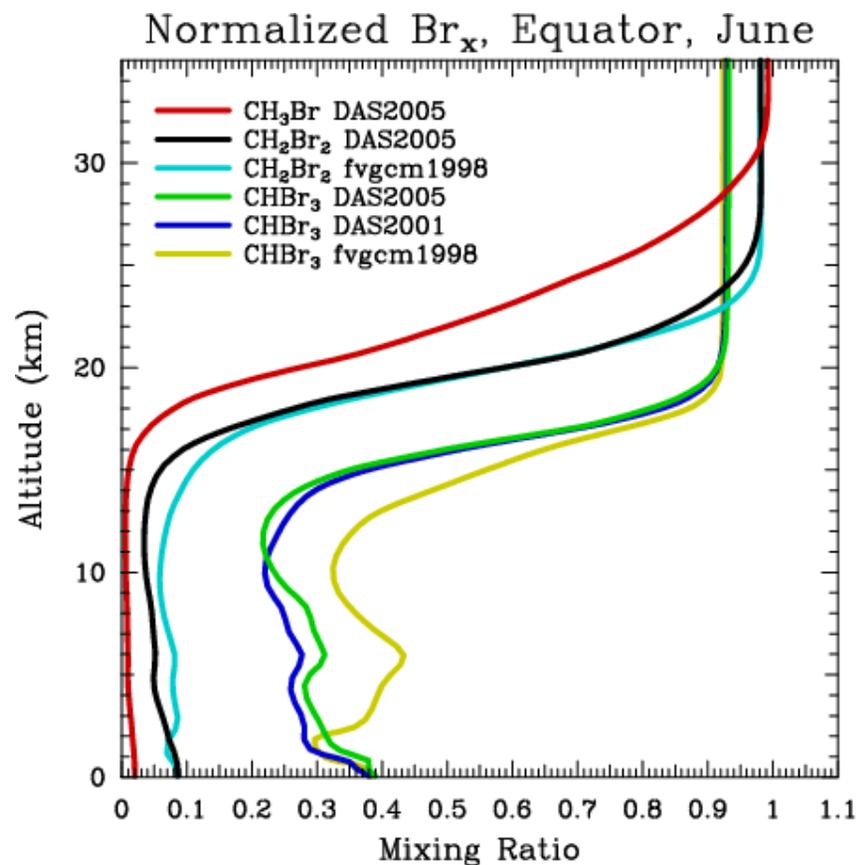
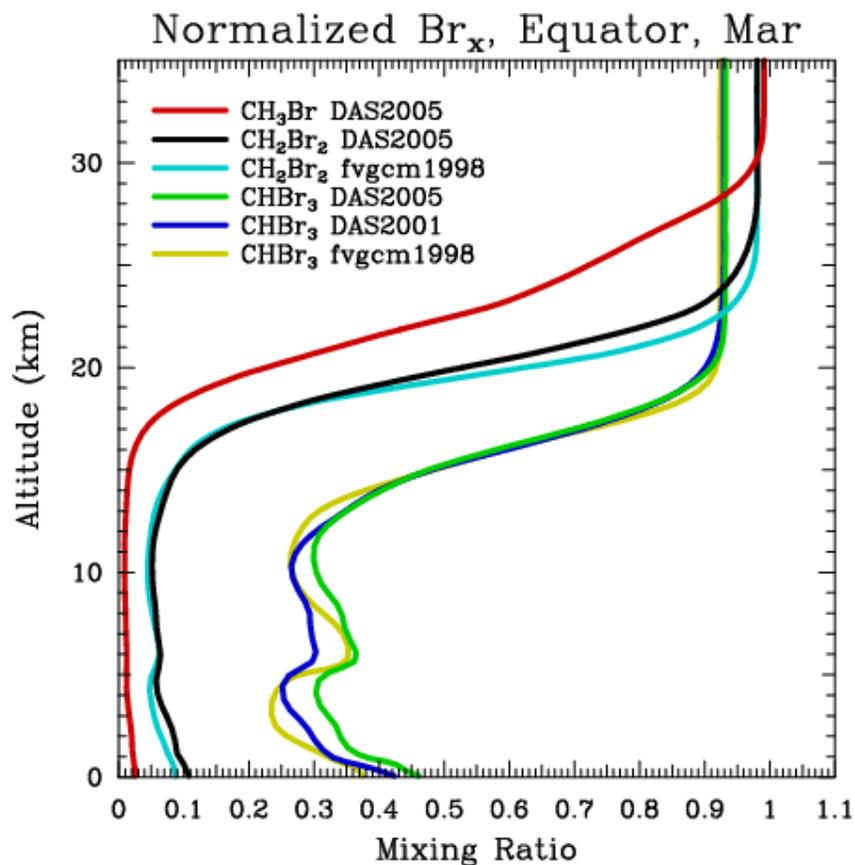
Normalized Source Gas Concentrations



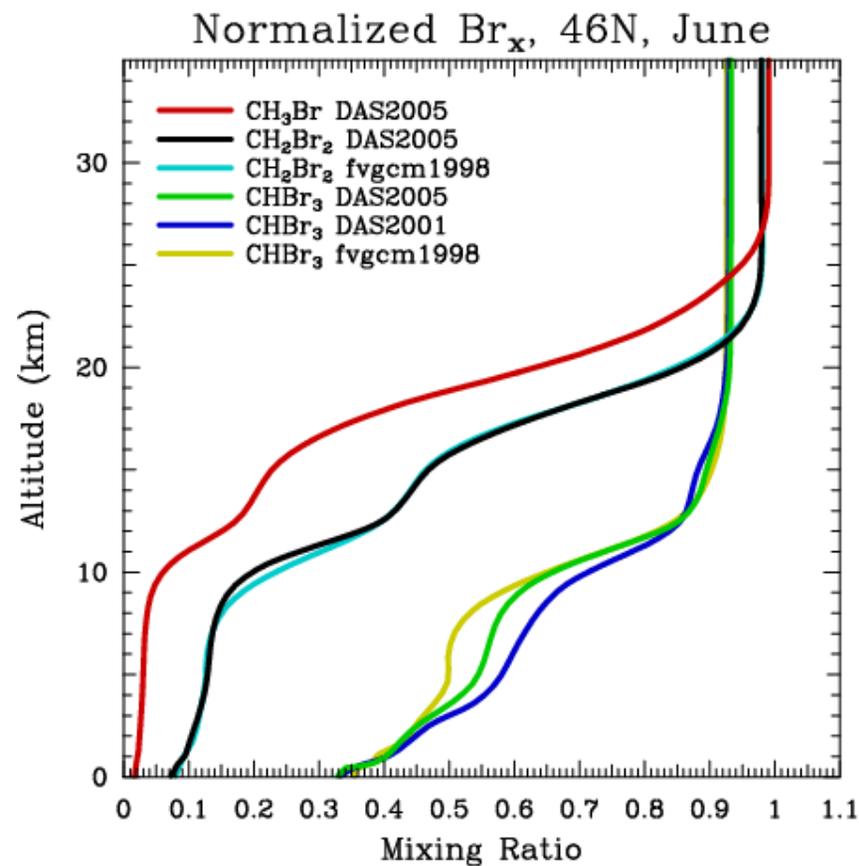
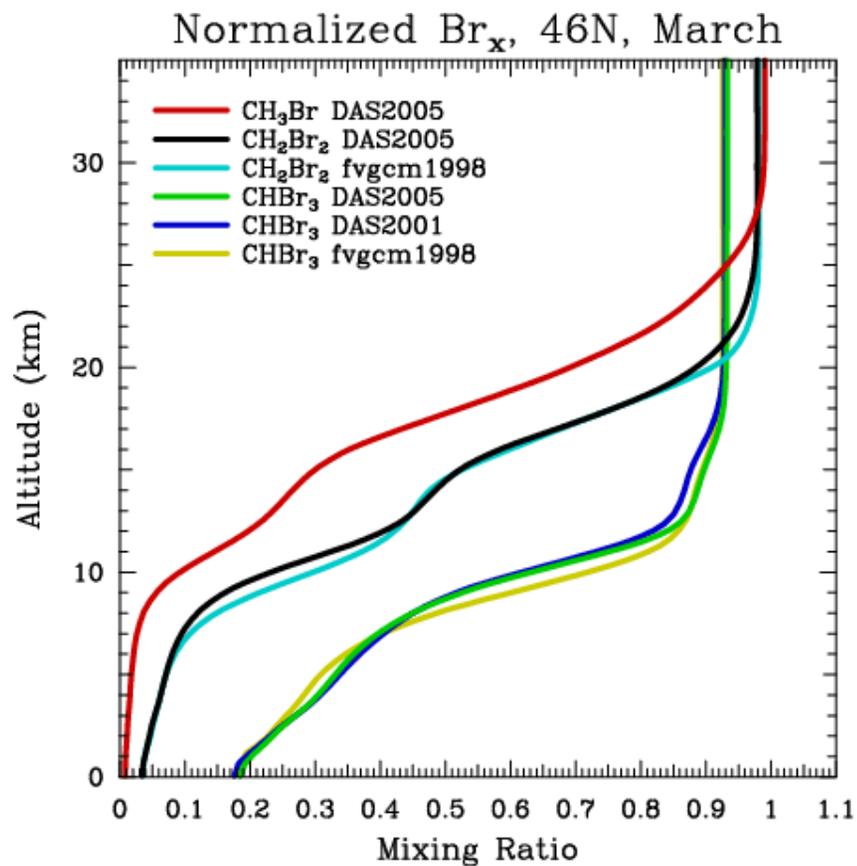
Normalized Source Gas Concentrations



Normalized Br_y from Individual Source gases



Normalized Br_y from Individual Source gases



Next Steps

- Emissions, using sea salt as example
- Comparisons to observations of source gases
- Combine all bromine source gases and calculate BrO
- Compare BrO to observations
- Add additional Br species to Combo model
- Analyze changes in stratospheric and tropospheric chemistry

New Funding from ACMAP ROSES06

- To continue aerosol work with GMI
- Add sectional sulfate aerosol module to GMI for stratospheric applications
- Interface modal dust, sea salt, OC, BC to sectional aerosol model
- Small \$\$, so will write new proposal to MAP for science applications of GMI strat-trop aerosol model