

# Top-down ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) emissions estimation, 2008 to 2018

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# NH3 Background

- Implications
  - **Air quality: formation of particulate matter**
    - mortality
  - Ecosystem
    - acidification
    - eutrophication
  - Climate change: aerosol indirect effects
    - cooling

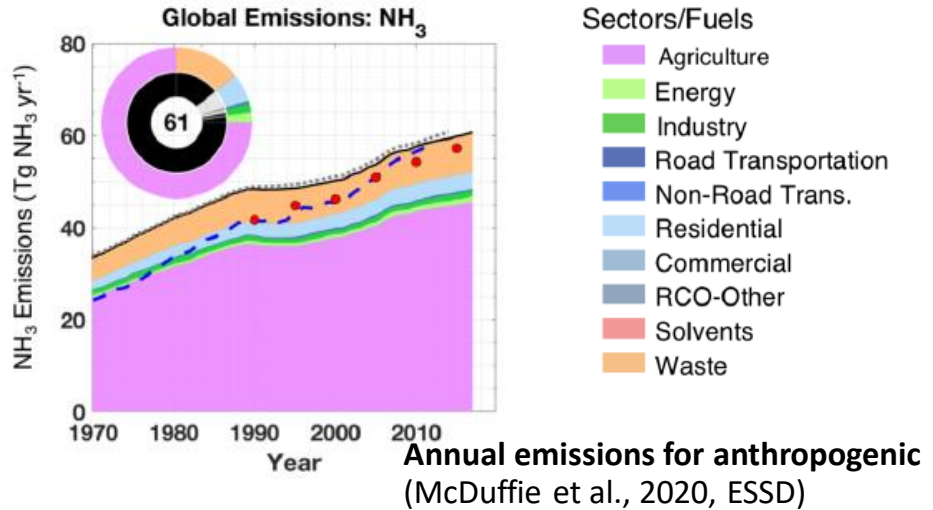
**Air pollution linked mortality**  
(Lelieveld et al., 2015, Nature)

**Radiative forcing**  
(Shindell et al., 2009, Science)

# NH<sub>3</sub> Background

## Emission sources

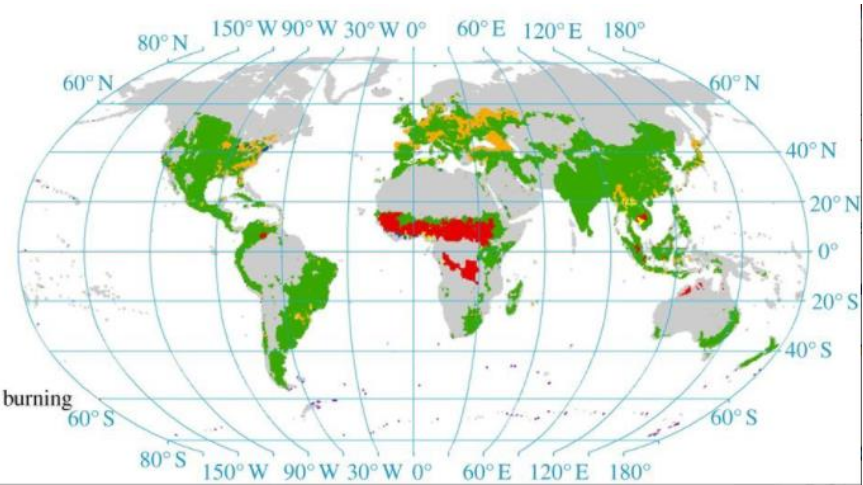
- Anthropogenic
  - agriculture: majority (86%, 49 Tg, EDGARv5.0)
  - waste
  - residential
- Natural
  - biomass burning (9%, 5 Tg, GFEDv4.1)
  - oceans and soils
  - wild animals



## Global spatial variability (Sutton et al., 2013, PTRSB)

### dominant NH<sub>3</sub> source

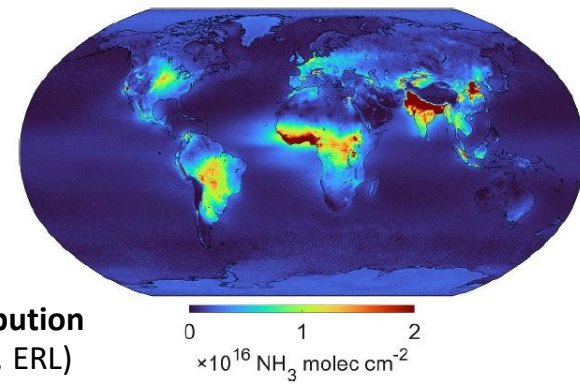
- background
- seabirds
- agricultural soils
- biomass and agriculture waste burning
- other non-agricultural
- manure management
- no dominant source



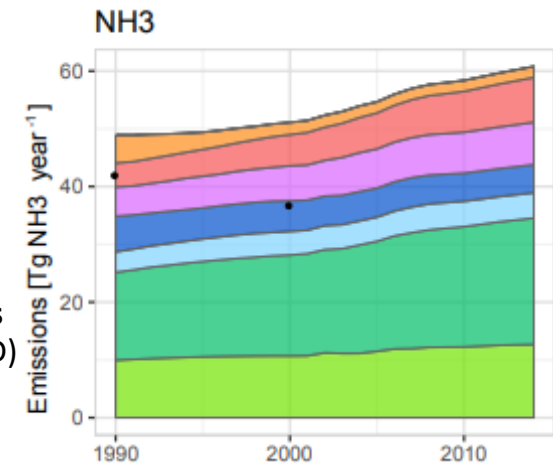
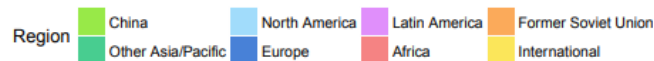
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- Satellite products
  - Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer (IASI)
  - Atmospheric Infrared Sounder (AIRS)
  - Cross-track Infrared Sounder (CrIS)
  - Tropospheric Emission Spectrometer (TES)
  - Greenhouse Gases Observing Satellite
- Bottom-up inventory
  - CEDS+GFED+regional...
- Chemistry transport model
  - GEOS-Chem

**IASI total columns distribution**  
(Van Damme et al., 2021, ERL)



**CEDS emission estimates**  
(Hoesly et al., 2018, GMD)

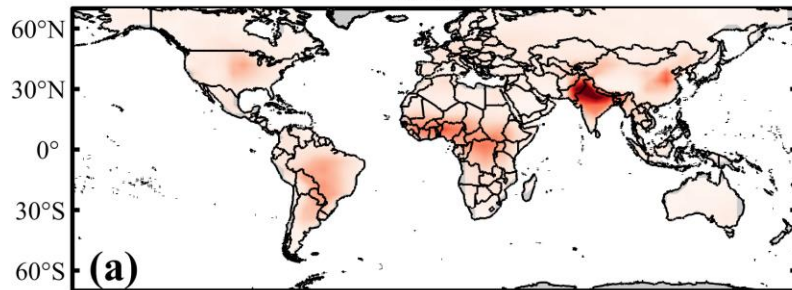


# NH<sub>3</sub> concentrations

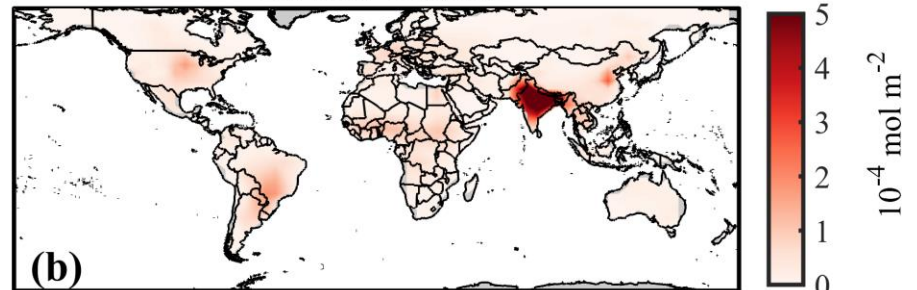
- Observation: IASI
- Simulation: GEOS-Chem

## Mean

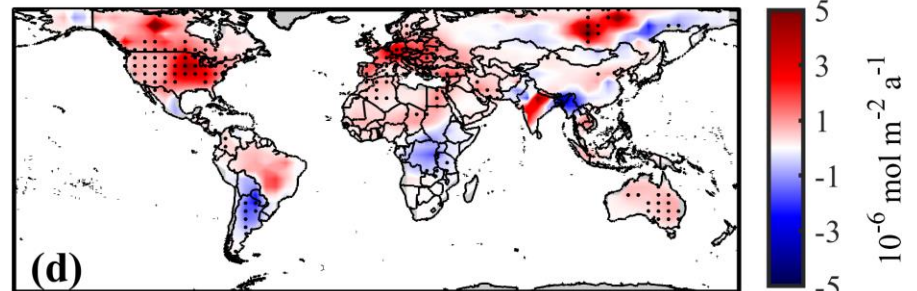
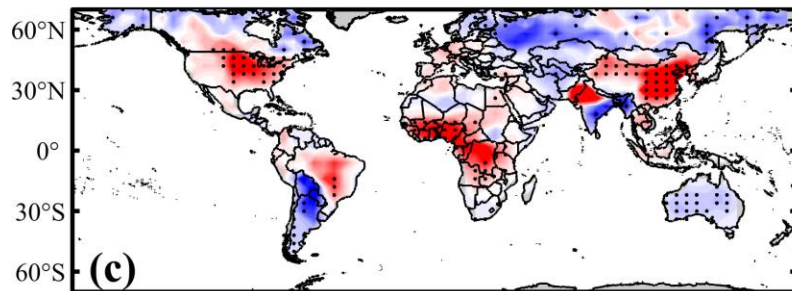
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GEOS-Chem

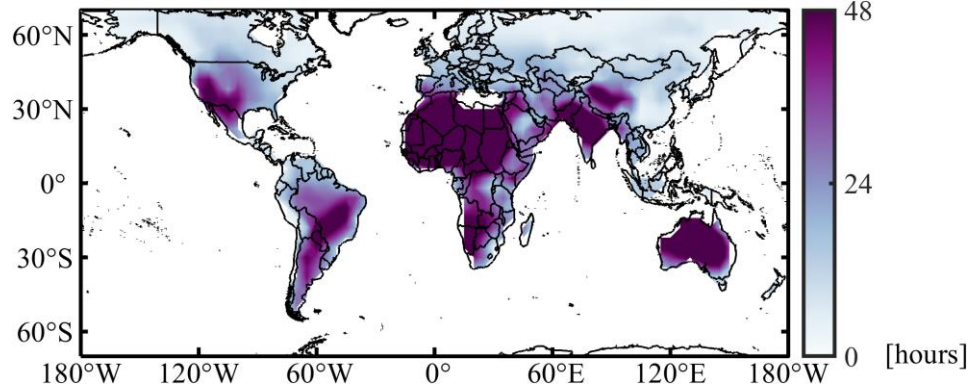


## Trend



# NH<sub>x</sub> lifetime

**Emission fluxes:**  $\hat{E}_{NH_3}$



$$\hat{E}_{NH_3} = E_{NH_3,mod} + \frac{C_{NH_3,obs} - C_{NH_3,mod}}{\tau_{NH_x,mod}}$$

$E_{NH_3,mod}$ : GEOS-Chem model emission fluxes

$C_{NH_3,obs}$ : observed total column densities

$C_{NH_3,mod}$ : simulated total column densities

$\tau_{NH_x,mod}$ : the lifetime of the total reduced nitrogen ( $NH_x = NH_3 + NH_4^+$ )

**Lifetime:**  $\tau_{NH_x,mod}$

$$\tau_{NH_x,mod} = \frac{C_{NH_3,mod}}{D_{NH_3,mod} + D_{NH_4^+,mod}}$$

$D_{NH_3,mod}$ : simulated NH<sub>3</sub> deposition fluxes

$D_{NH_4^+,mod}$ : simulated  $NH_4^+$  depositions fluxes

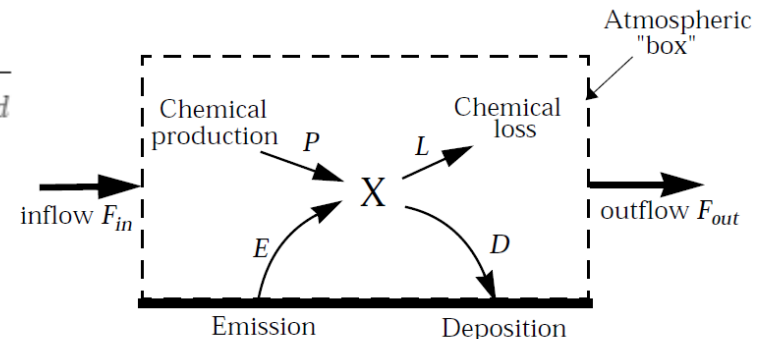


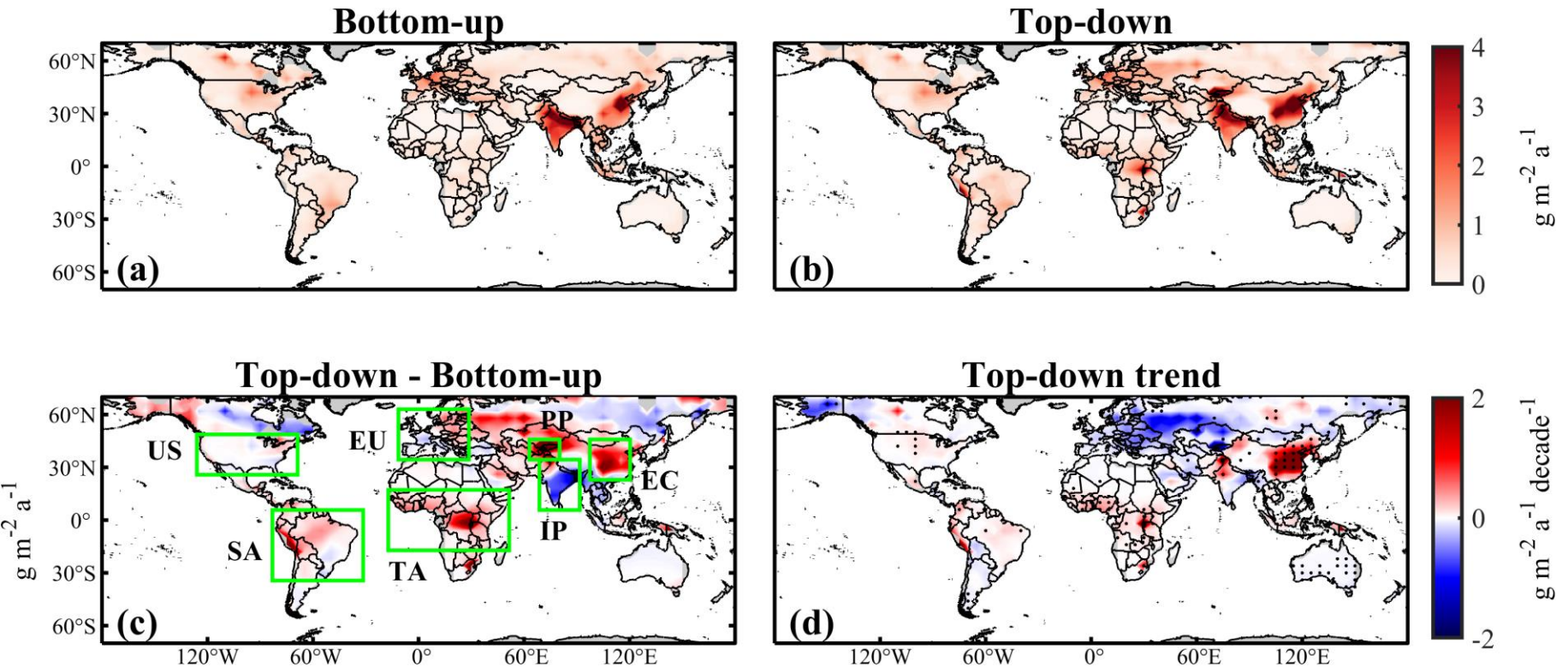
Figure 3-1 One-box model for an atmospheric species X

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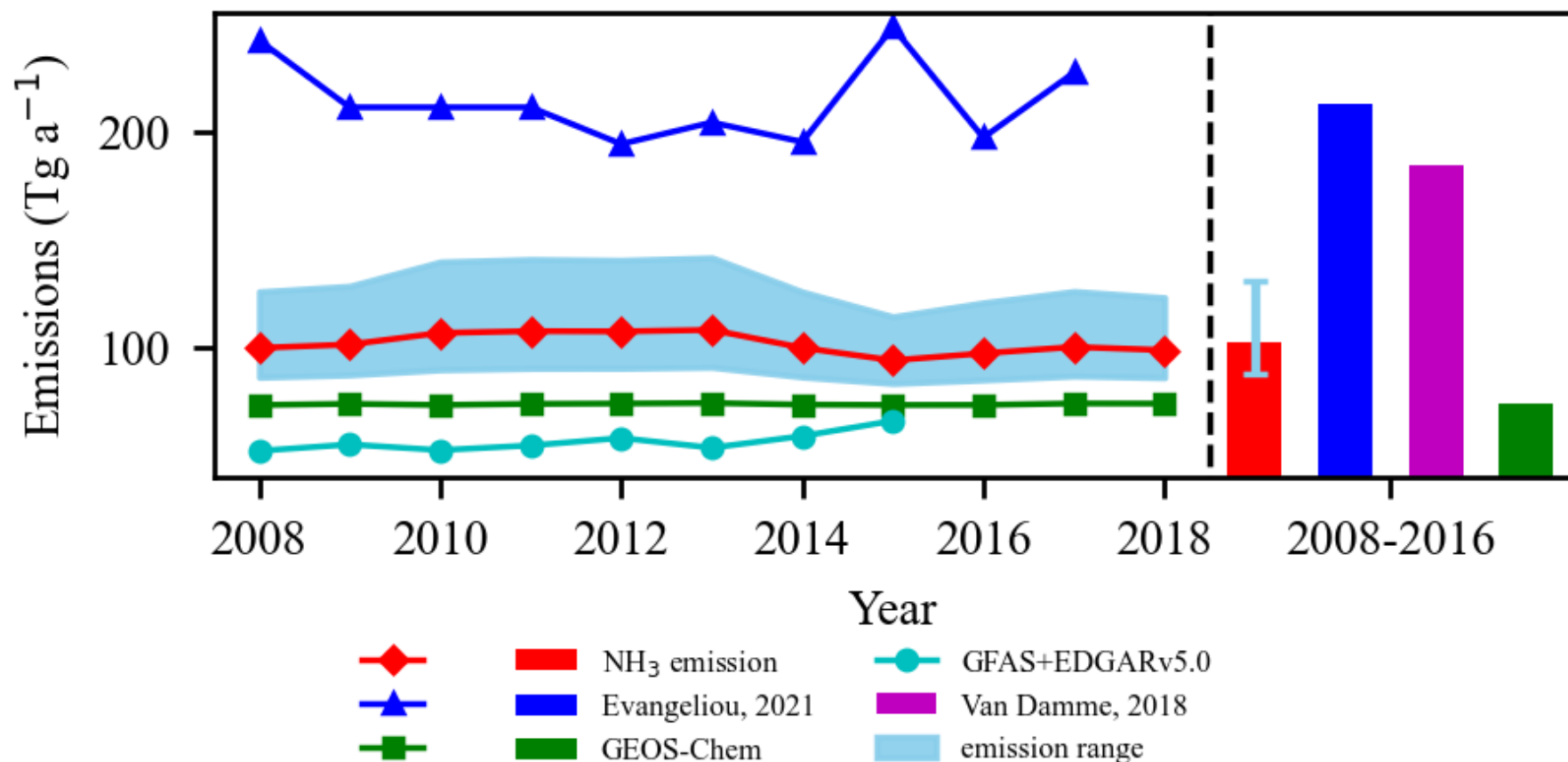
<Introduction to atmospheric chemistry>



# Top-down emission fluxes



# Compared with others





# Questions?