

Preliminary validation results of GEMS total O₃ product under the PEGASOS project

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Outline

- ❖ Total Ozone datasets
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 - Against ground-based measurements
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PEGASOS project



Product Evaluation of GEMS L2 via Assessment with S5P and Other Sensors (PEGASOS)

Duration: 24 months

Scope: to **compare and validate** several GEMS operational Level-2 products with co-located operational L-2 products from TROPOMI/S5P, as well as with independent ground-based data

Total Ozone datasets

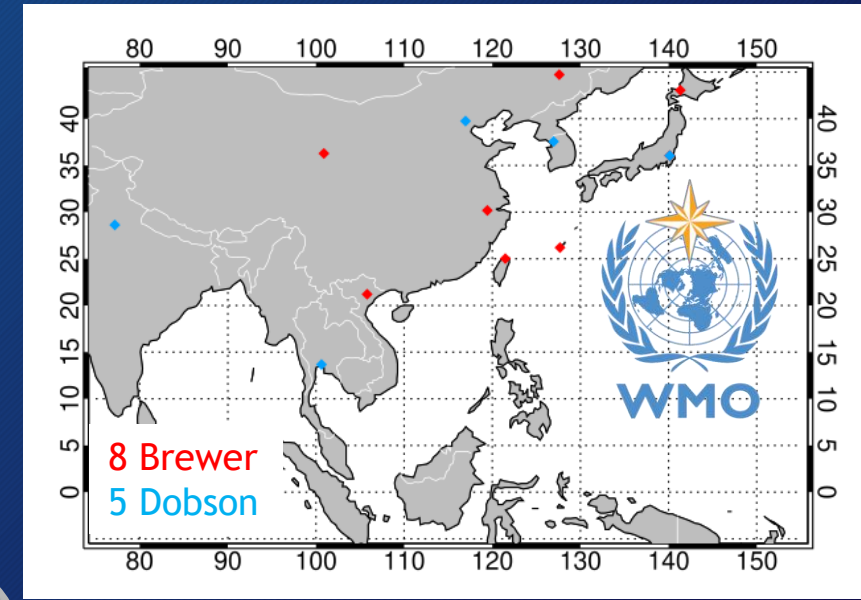
GEMS total ozone:

- O3T product, v1.0, all scans/day, all areas (FC, HK, HE, FW), “_DPRO_ORI” files
- Time range: 1 Dec. 2020 - 31 Aug. 2022
- No filters applied (issues with the FinalAlgorithmFlags to be discussed)



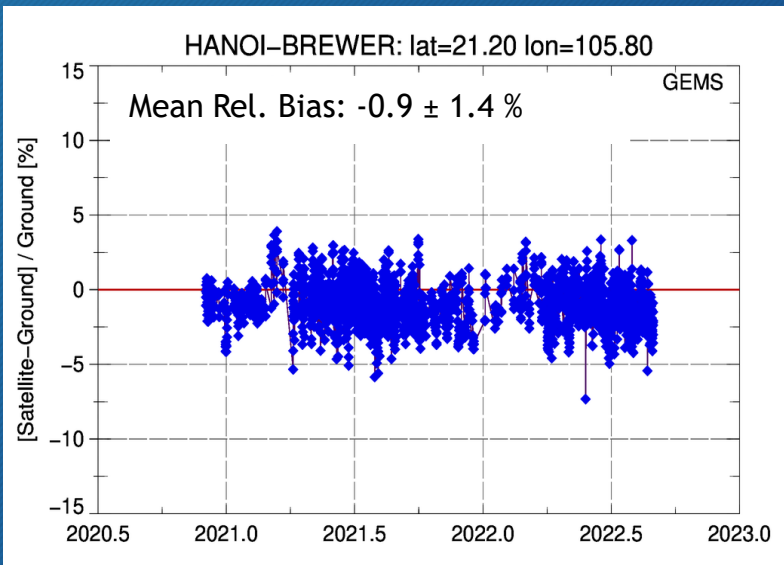
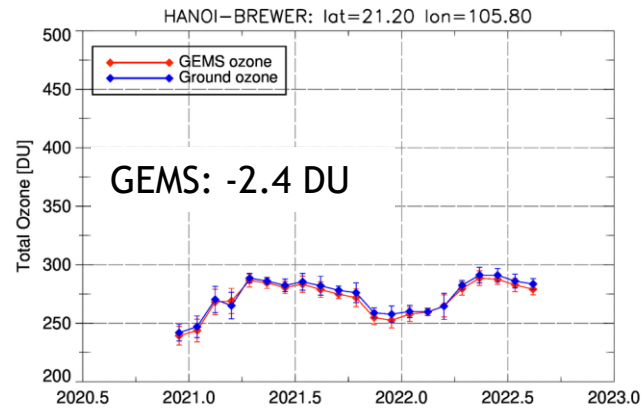
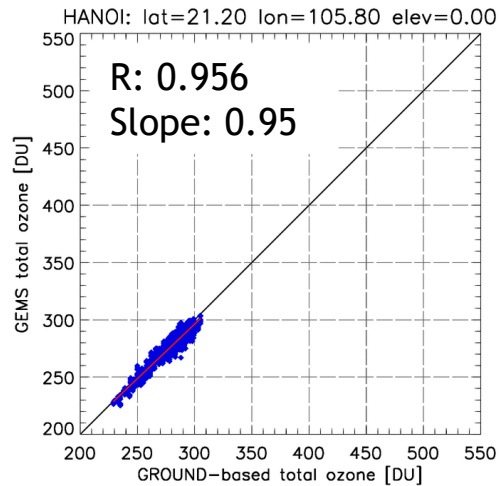
Reference measurements:

- **Dobson and Brewer** spatiotemporally co-located observations of total ozone (Quality controlled ground-based observations from WOUDC). Only Direct Sun measurements.
- **Pandonia Global Network (PGN)**, co-located observations of total ozone, latest processing (v1.8)
- **TROPOMI/S5P** total ozone column operational product

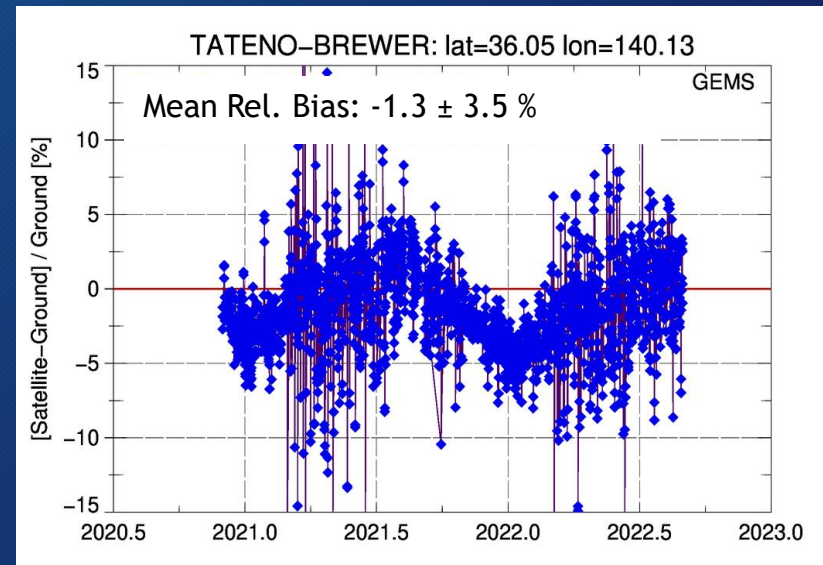
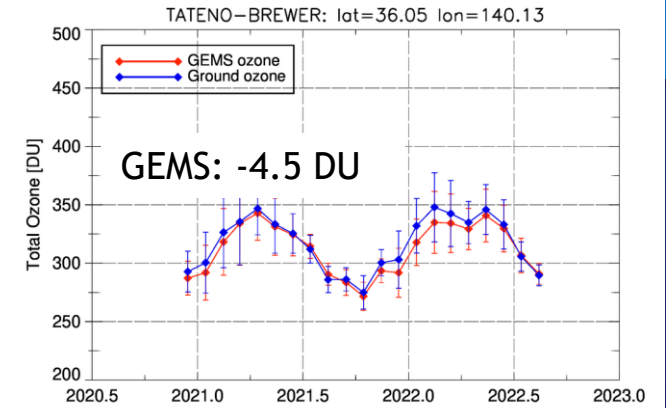
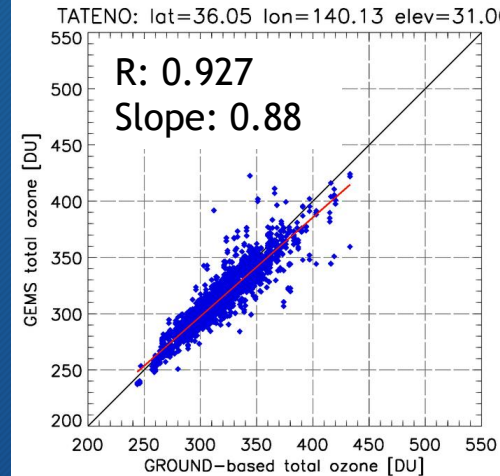


Total Ozone Validation results - per station

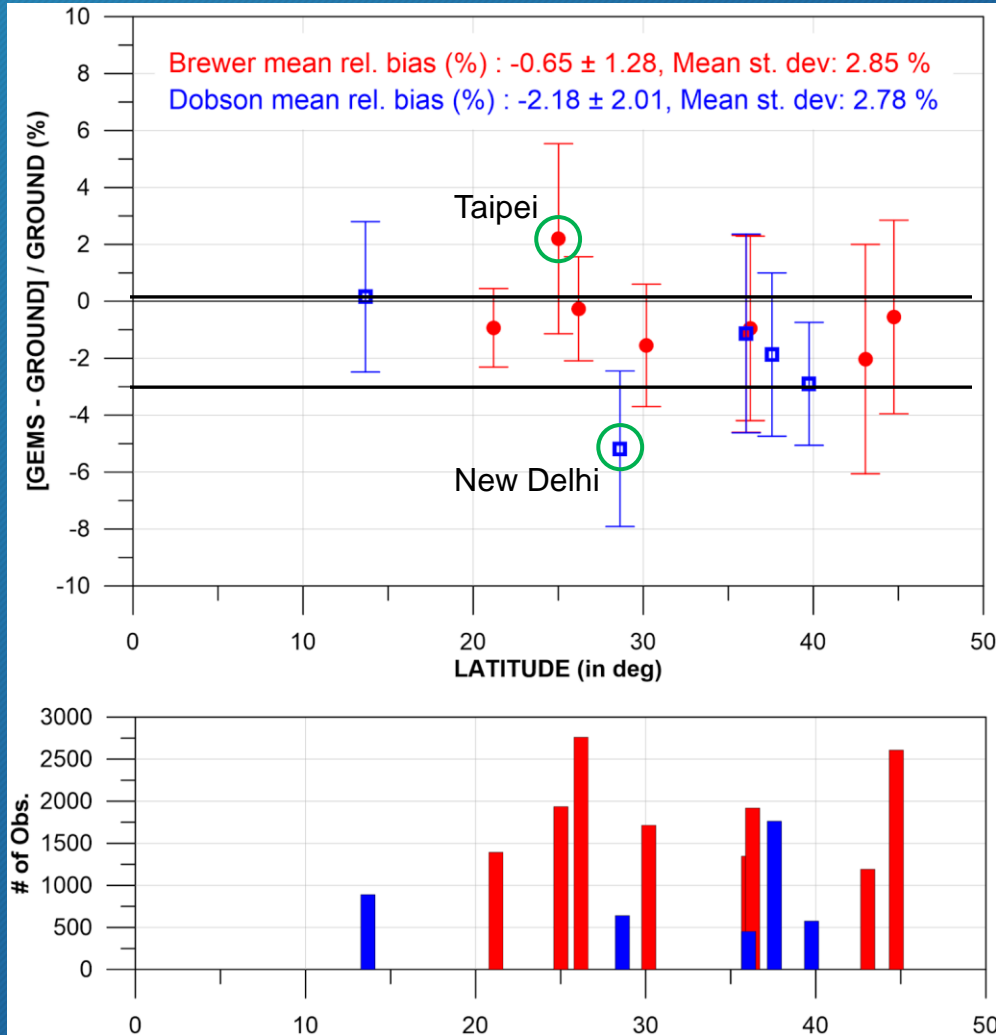
Hanoi, Vietnam (Brewer)



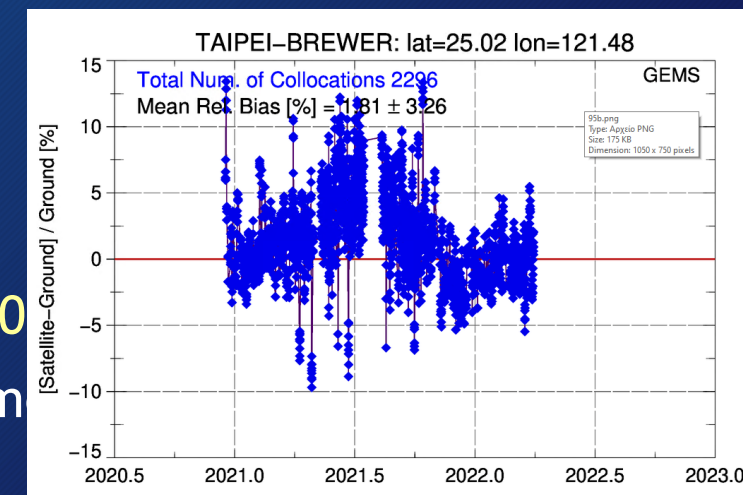
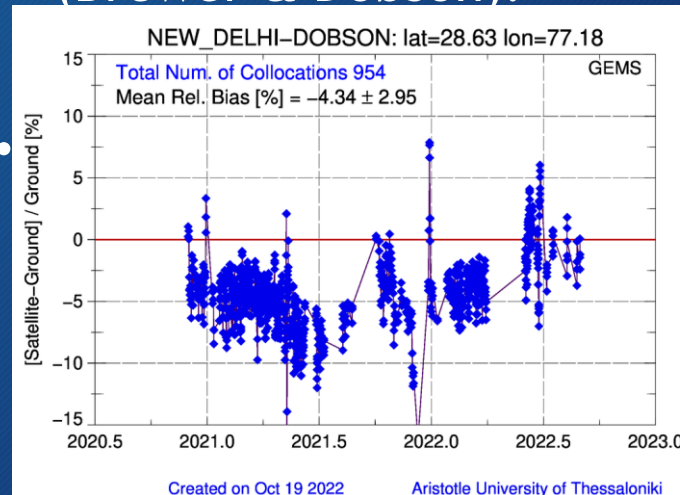
TATENO (Tsukuba), Japan (Brewer)



Total Ozone Validation results - mean bias per station



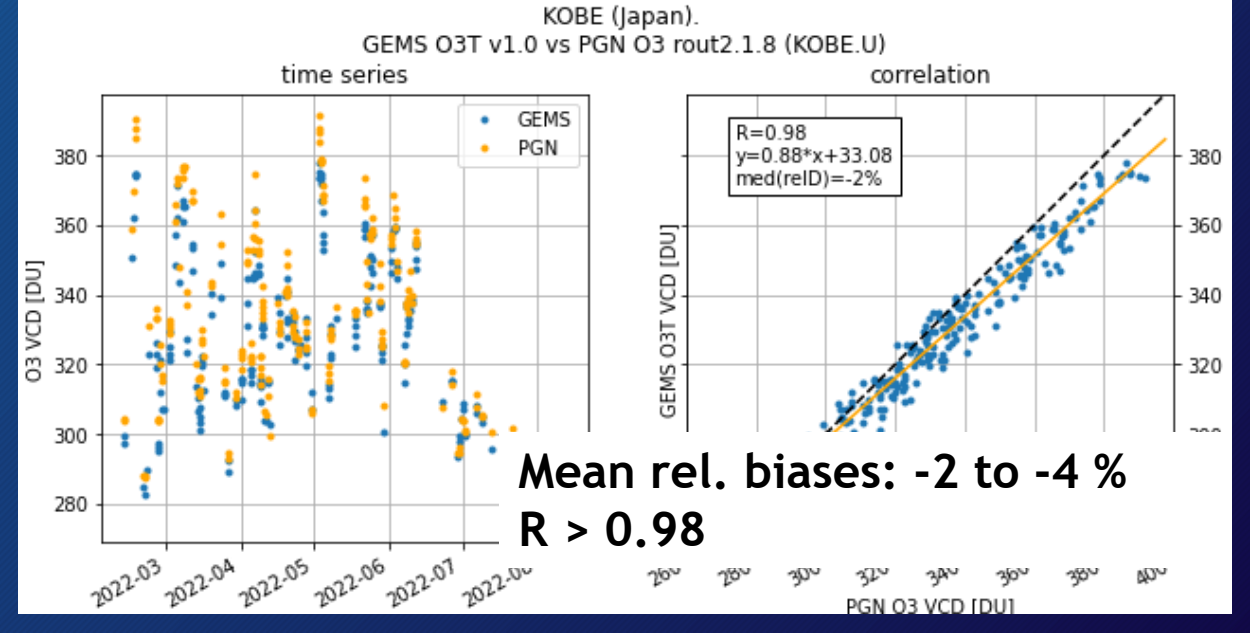
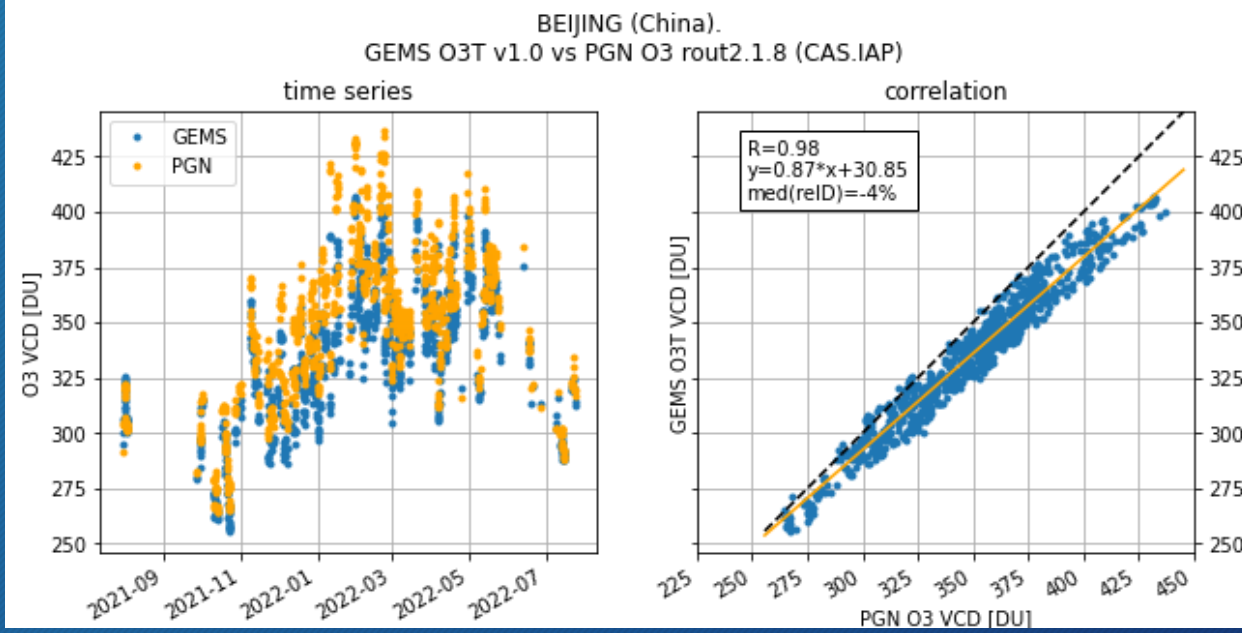
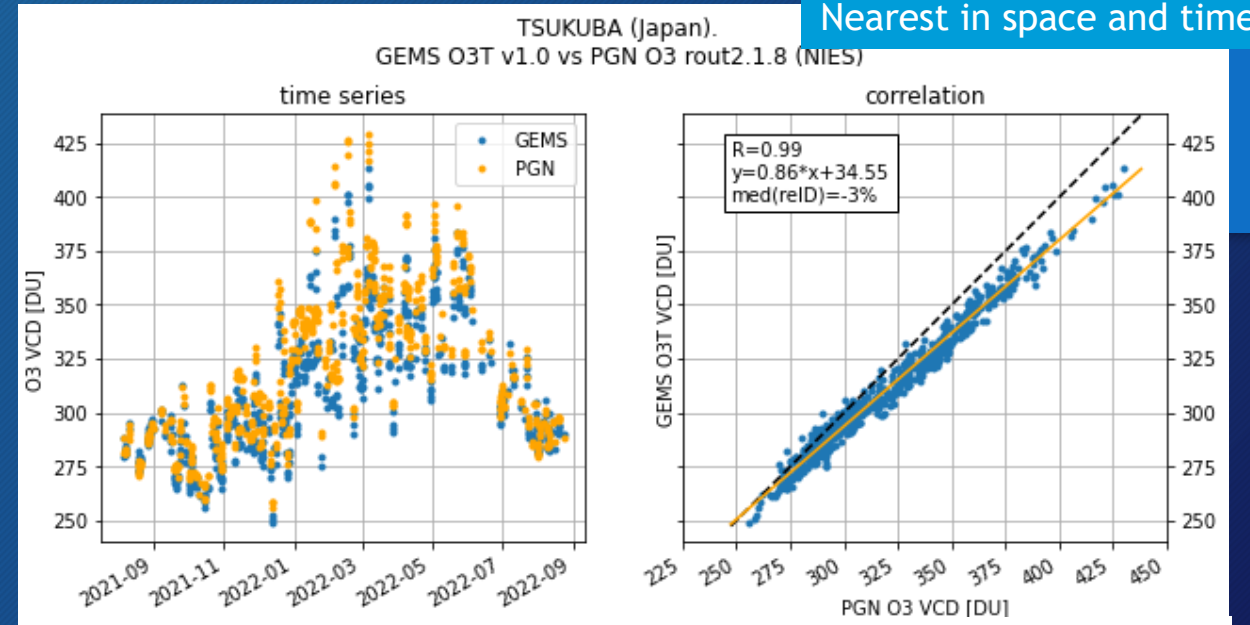
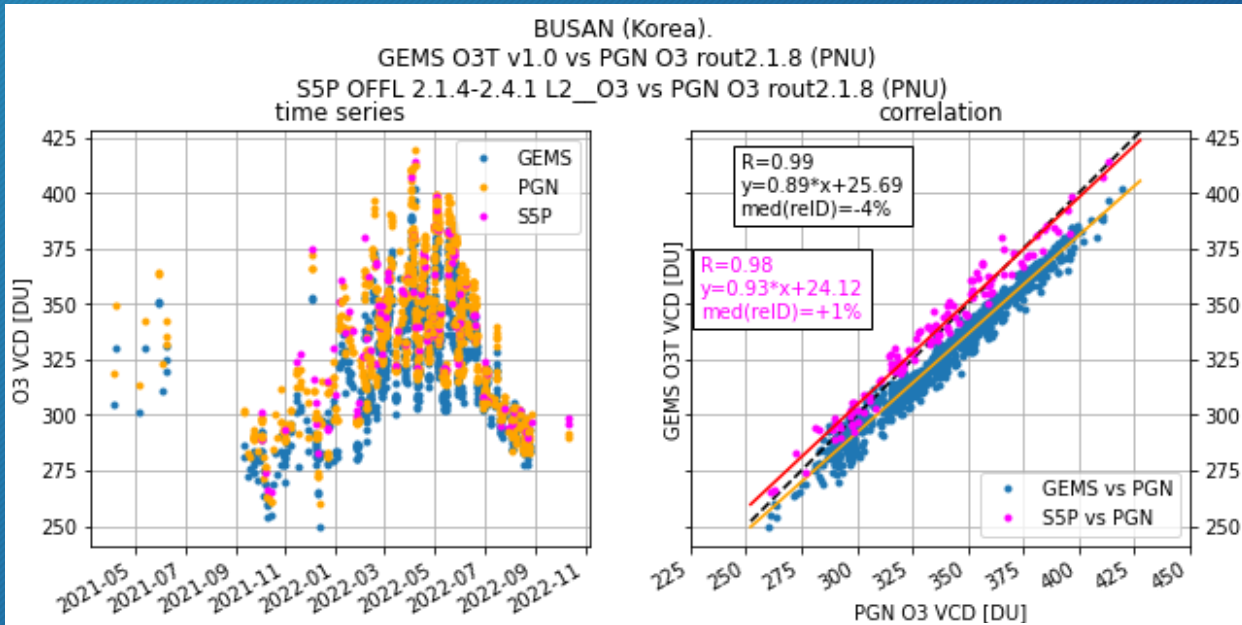
- Individual stations (except for 2):
 - Mean rel. biases within 0 and -3%
 - Mean St. Dev. 1.5 to 4%
- Overall mean relative bias (Brewer & Dobson):
 - $-1.2 \pm 0.8 \%$**



GEMS O3T vs Pandora (PGN)

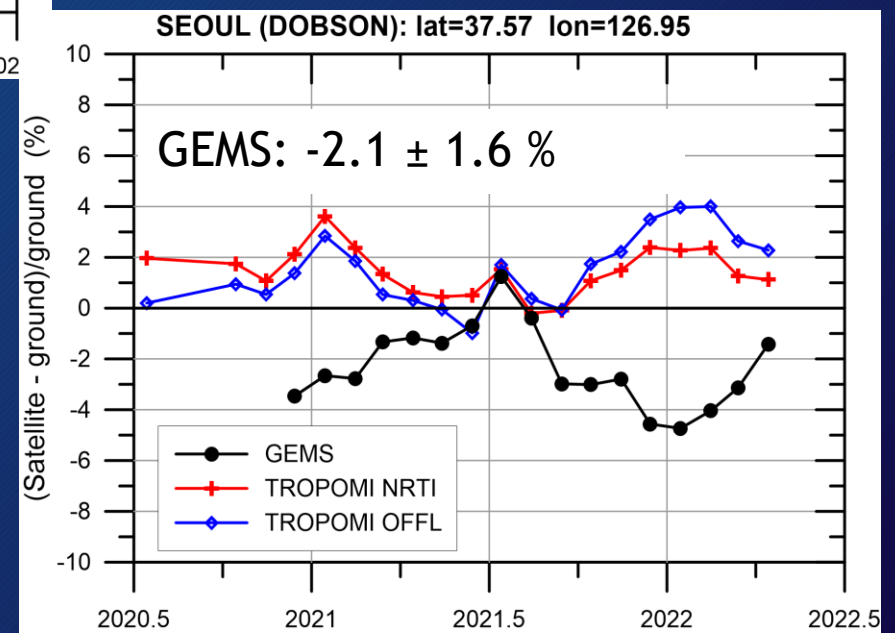
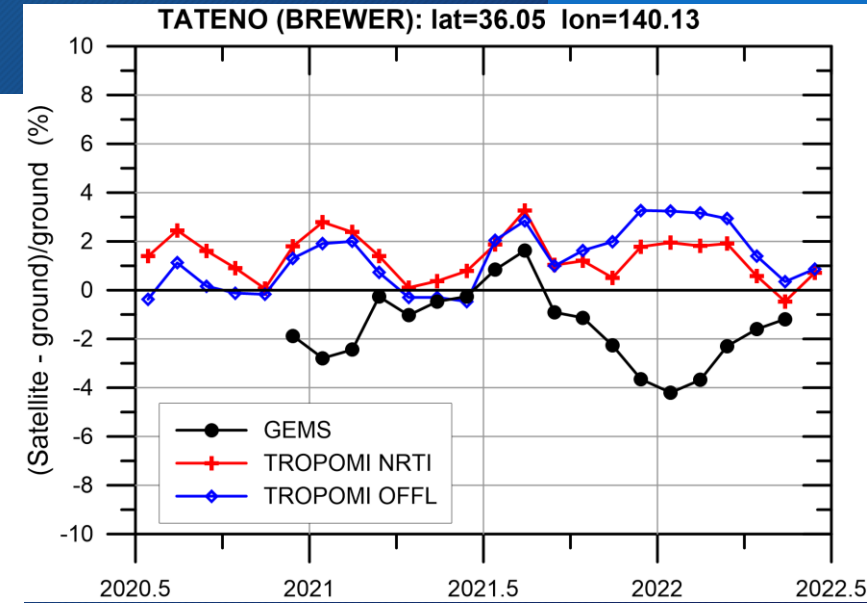
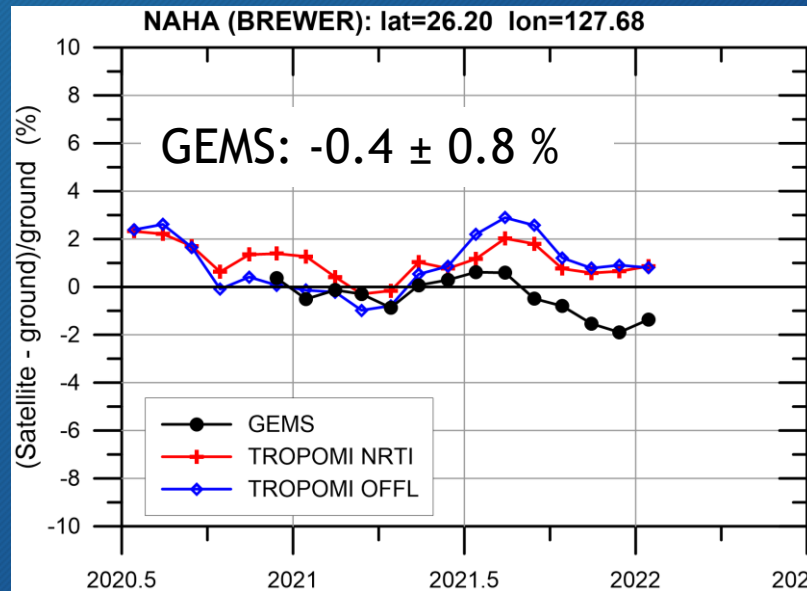
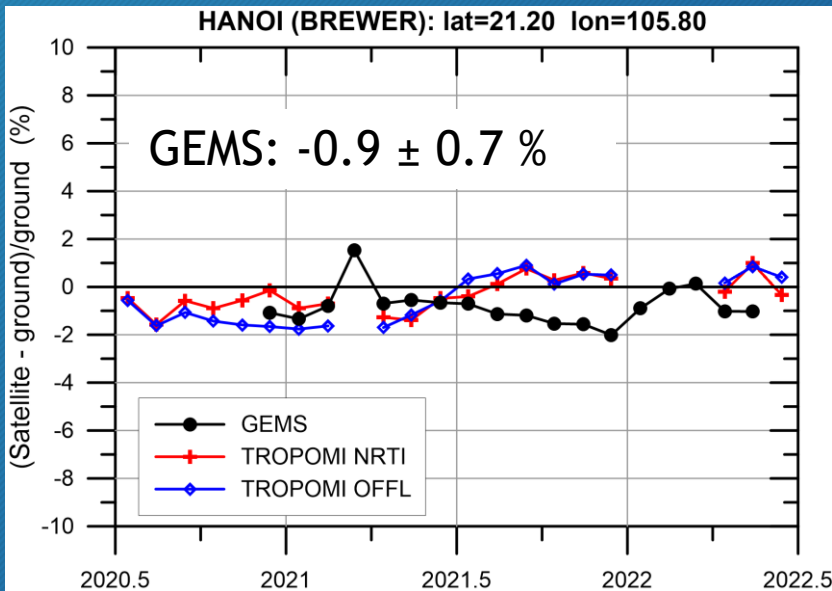
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Collocation: ± 0.5 h, 5 km.
Nearest in space and time



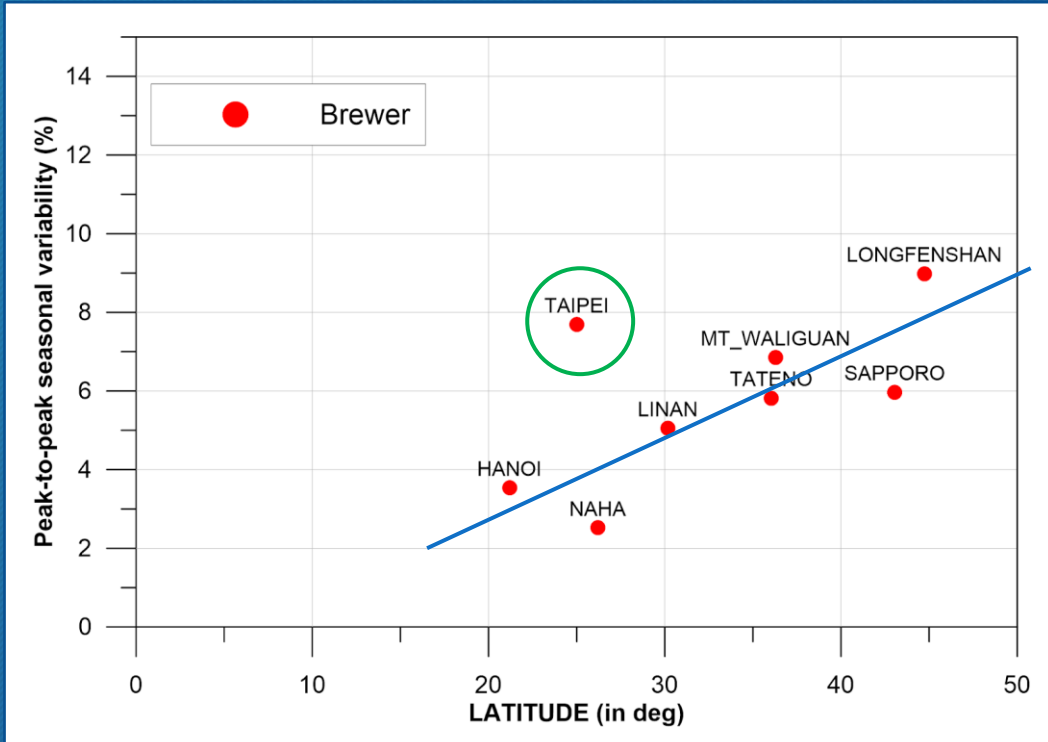
Mean rel. biases: -2 to -4 %
 $R > 0.98$

Total Ozone Validation results - consistency check



Total Ozone Validation results - seasonality per station

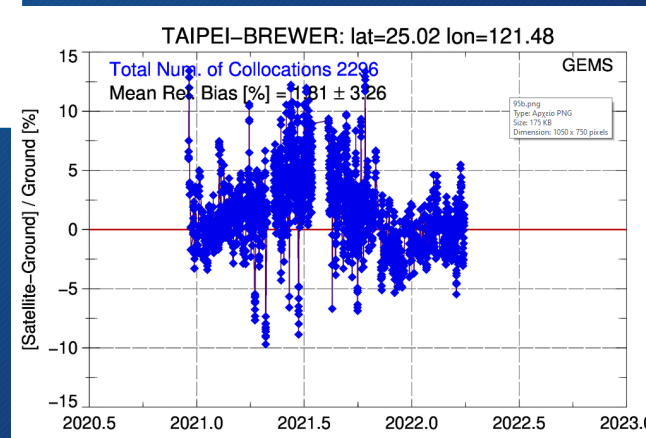
Seasonal variability (peak-to-peak) per station - Brewer only



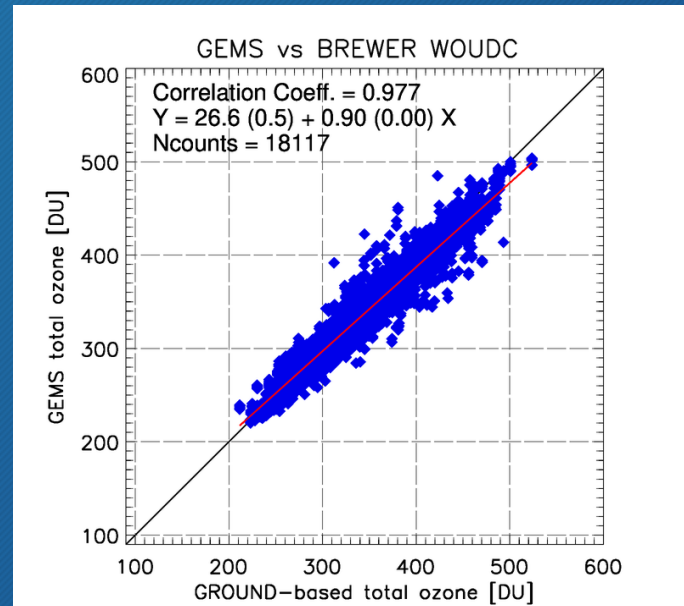
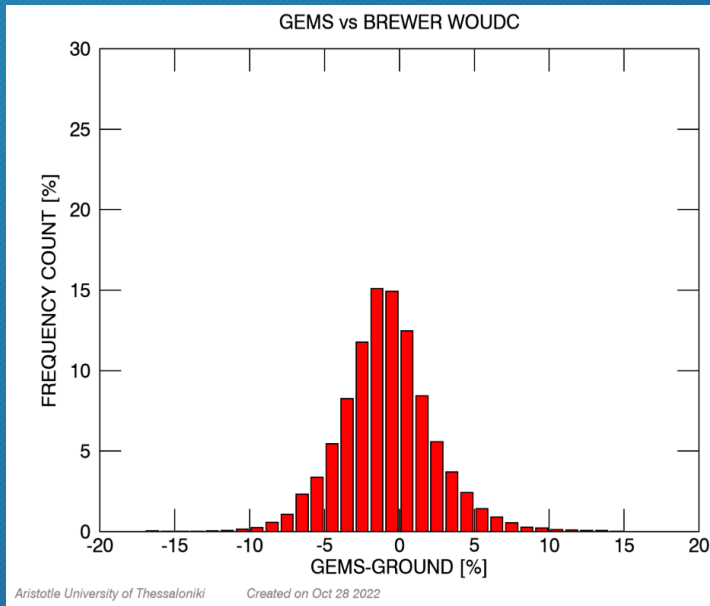
Seasonal variability:

- 2-4% for stations in the latitude belt 20-30° (exception: Taipei, Taiwan → 7.7%)
- up to 9% at 45°

Strong indication of an increase in the seasonal variability of the comparisons with respect to the station's latitude.



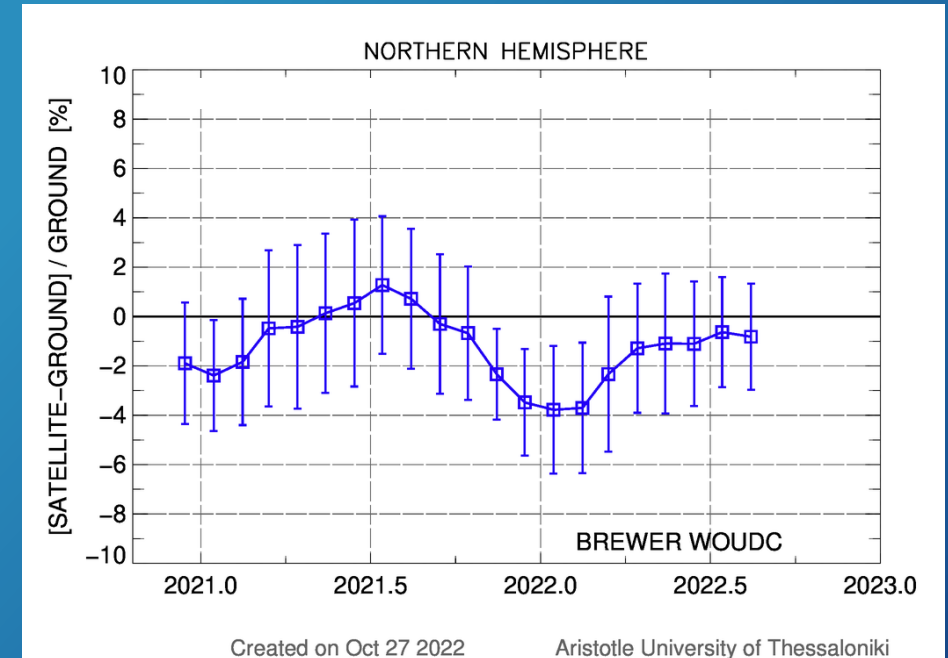
Total Ozone Validation results - GEMS domain (Brewer & Dobson)



Overall statistics from individual co-locations per instrument:

	Brewer	Dobson
Mean Rel. Bias	-0.8 %	-2.0 %
Mean St. Deviation	3.2 %	3.2 %
Pearson cor. Coef.	0.977	0.970
Slope	0.90	0.91

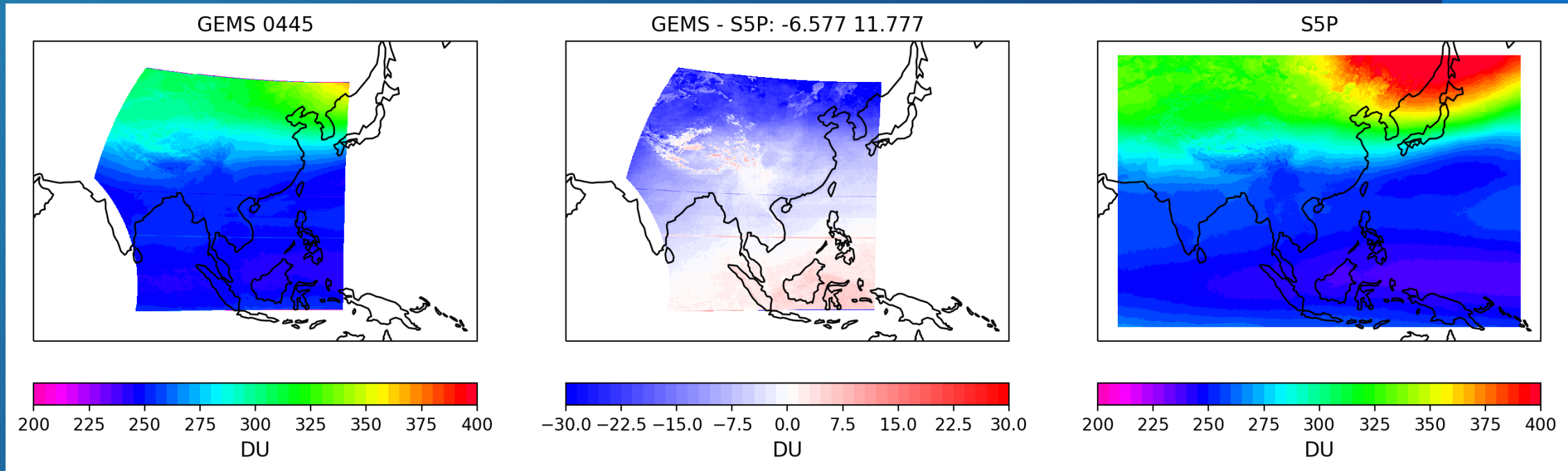
-1.2 % for both



- Very good agreement, **within $\pm 1\%$** , during spring, summer and fall months (March - October)
- GEMS is underestimating total ozone during **winter months by -2 to -4%** (to be further investigated)

Comparison between GEMS and S5P, December 2021

Courtesy of K.-P. Heue, DLR



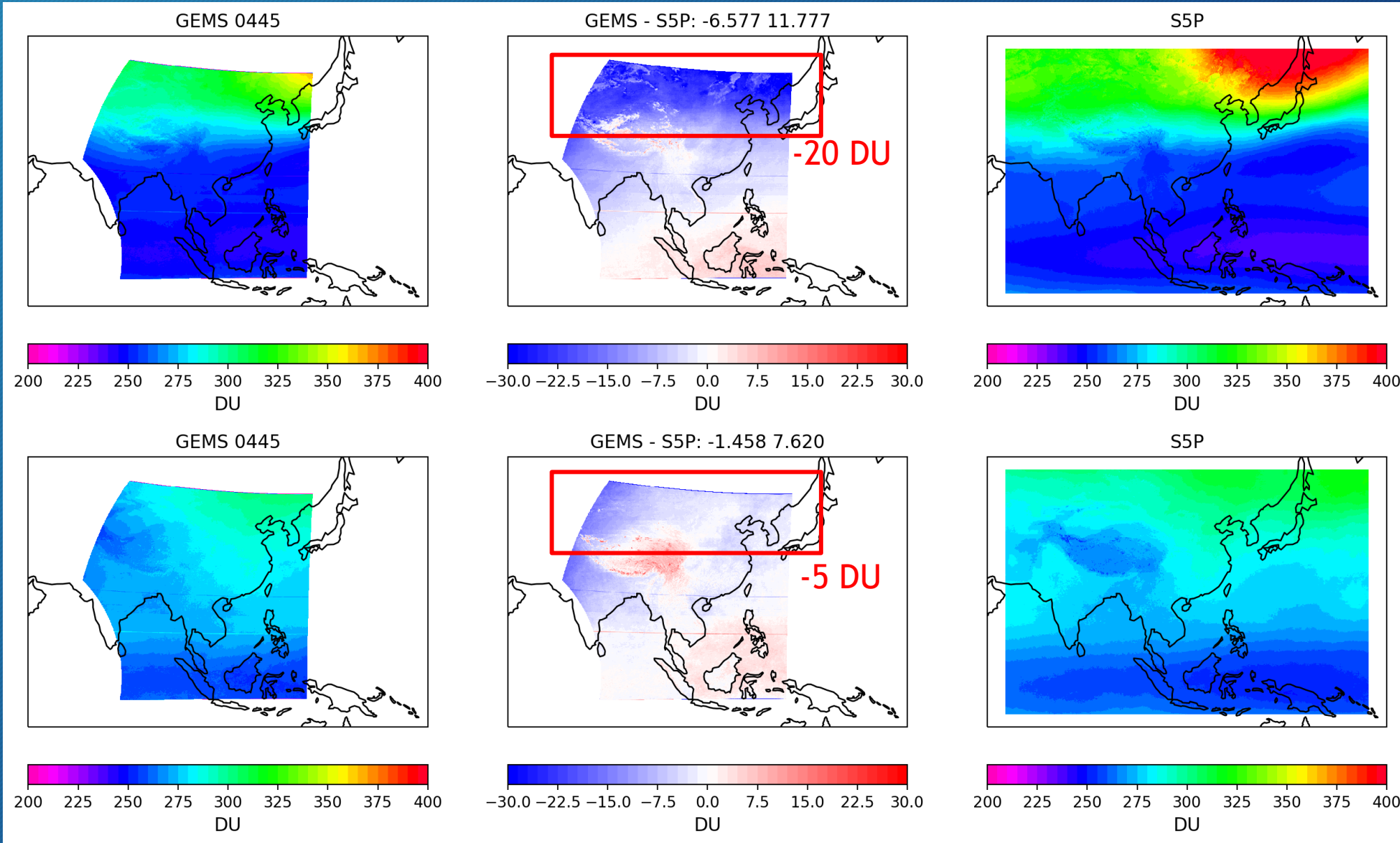
- Only data 04:45 scan
- Data gridded to 0.1°
- No QA, No cloud filter
- Removed outliers outside 100-700 DU
- Rejected GEMS data with VZA $>70^\circ$ (north-west)

- Good agreement (± 5 DU) in the center and the South
- Negative bias in the North
- Mean bias: - 6.6 DU or $\sim -2.5\%$

- Data gridded to 0.1°
- No QA filter
- No cloud filter

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December 2021

September 2021

Conclusions

Validation of ~ 2 years of GEMS total ozone data:

- Overall mean relative bias w.r.t. ground-based stations: -1.2 ± 0.8 % [4 PGN stations: -2 to -4 %]
- Mean standard deviation of the differences: 3.2 %
- Pearson correlation coefficient > 0.88 (within GEMS requirement)

Temporally:

- Very good agreement (within $\pm 1\%$) of GEMS and reference total ozone measurements (ground-based & TROPOMI/S5P) during spring, summer and autumn months
- During winter months and for higher latitudes (above 30°N) GEMS underestimates total ozone by up to 4-6%.

Future work:

- Investigation of the high latitude, winter underestimation
- Application of the correct filters to the GEMS dataset

Waiting for the new dataset (v2.0)

GEMS Total Ozone Validation

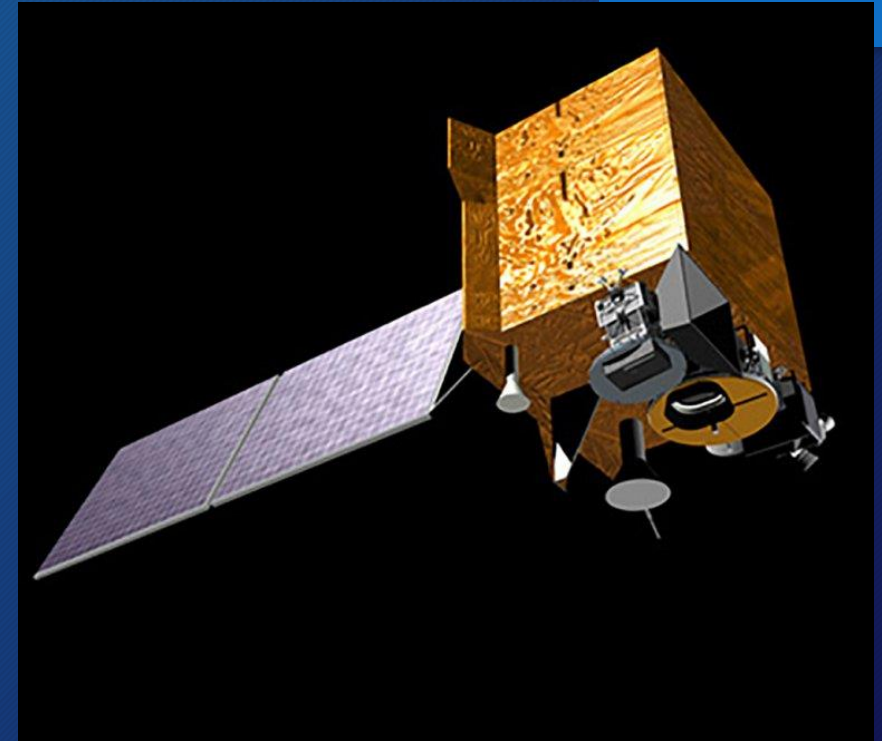
Documentation

- Two available documents: ATBD and “GEMS Level2 I/O Data Description”
- Some parameters were differently described in each document:
e.g. **FinalAlgorithmFlags**
 - Files: bits (e.g. 0, 3, 145...)
 - ATBD: integers ranging 0-5 (0=good, 5=bad)
 - Level-2 I/O description: bits (0-11), 0=“Any issues on output”

also GroundPixelQualityFlags

- “**Effective cloud fraction**” parameter:
 - ATBD: no information
 - GEMS Level2 I/O Data Description: not included in the GEMS O3T output file fields
- “**Cloud Pressure**”: top, bottom or middle?
- “**Estimated Error**”: files → “unitless”, GEMS Level2 I/O Data Description → “DU”

Thank you for your attention!



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