

ECMWF, a gravity wave resolving global model and its validation with SABER and future limb imaging instruments (PREMIER)

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ECMWF



- T799, N400,
 91 hybrid levels
- 0.25 ° horizontal resolution
- 500 m vertical resolution
- Altitude-range: up to 80 km
- shown: 10.08.2006 at 28 km



Horizontal wavelength



waves with horizontal wavelength > 200 km are resolved



Vertical wavelength



waves with vertical wavelength > 1 km are resolved



SABER



- along track
 350 550 km
- vertical resolution $\approx 400 \, \mathrm{m}$
- Altitude-range:
 15 155 km
- orbit inclination: 74.1 °
- orbit altitude: 625 km
- \approx 14 orbits per day
- shown: 10.08.2006 at 28 km



Sensitivity-function



- IR limb sounder can resolve waves with horizontal wavelength $>200\,{\rm km}$ and vertical wavelength $>5\,{\rm km}$
- * Preusse et al. (2002)



ECMWF vs SABER





- estimate of background-temperatures
 → Kalman-Filter
- estimate of temp. amplitudes, vertical wavelength and phases of the two dominant wave compounds → MEM/HA





- wave amplitudes are too low (factor of two)
- over 40 km altitude GWs are strongly damped by Rayleigh friction







local time-series at 28 km altitude

- mountain-waves are well represented in the model data
- ECMWF temperature amplitudes are too low
- convection not well reproduced



* Schroeder et al. (2009)

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How to receive momentum flux

•
$$(F_{\rho x}, F_{\rho y}) = \overline{\varrho} \cdot (\overline{u'w'}, \overline{v'w'}) \longrightarrow \mathsf{ECMWF}$$

•
$$(F_{px}, F_{py}) = \frac{1}{2} \varrho \frac{(k,l)}{m} \left(\frac{g}{N}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\hat{T}}{T}\right)^2$$



• using last square fit do determine k, l, φ_0 $\varphi_i = kx_i + ly_i + \varphi_0$



Momentum Flux



- left: via temperature data
- right: via wind data



Summary

- ECMWF can well resolve GWs over mountain regions and the edge of the Antarctic polar vortex, but the ECMWF temperature amplitudes are too low
- ECMWF data can be used to determine momentum flux on PREMIER measurement grid
- Both procedures of MF calculation show similar results

