

Arctic Trace Gas Variability and Trends from a Decade of in situ Aircraft Observations



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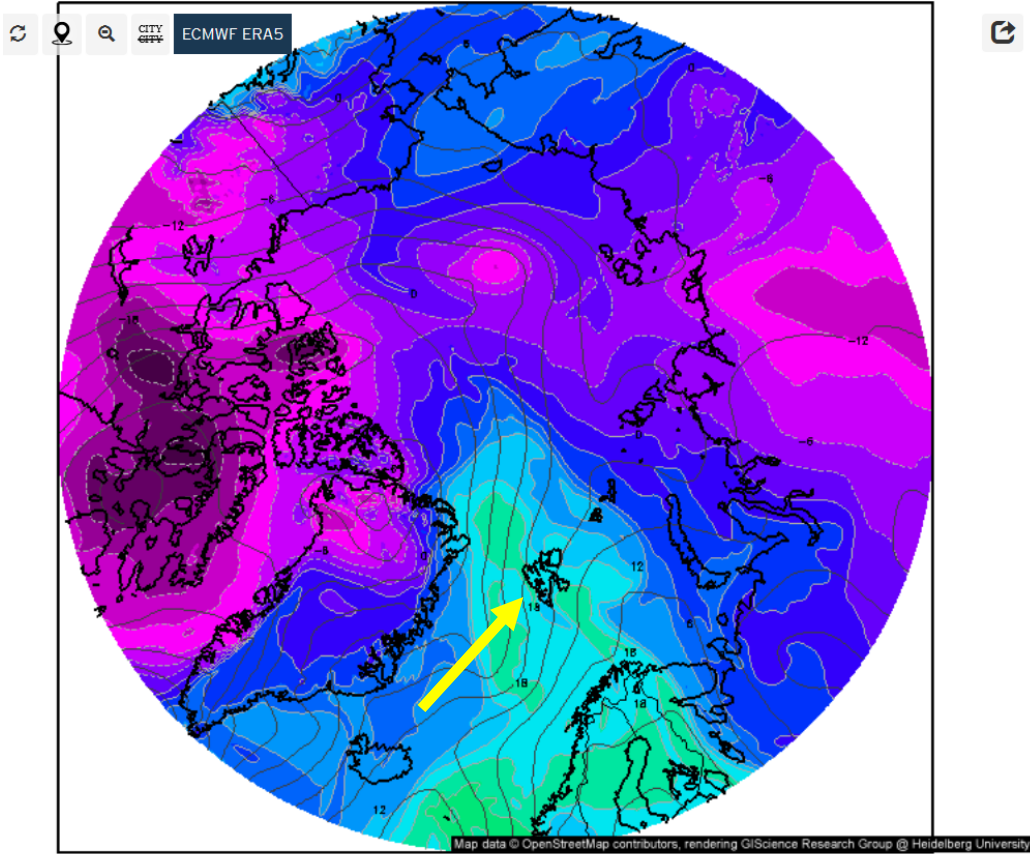
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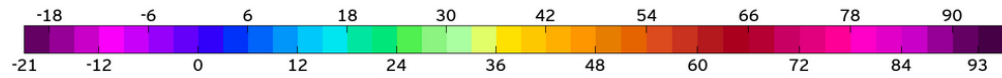


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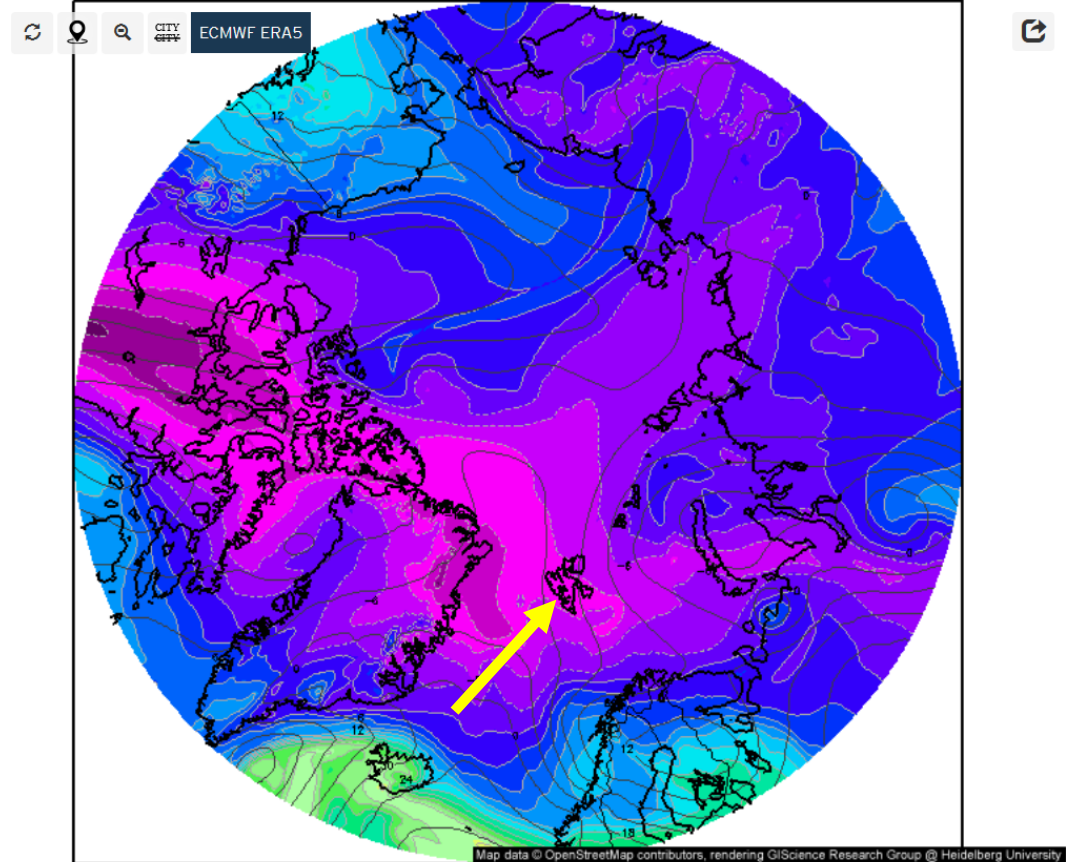


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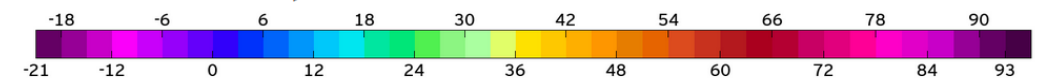
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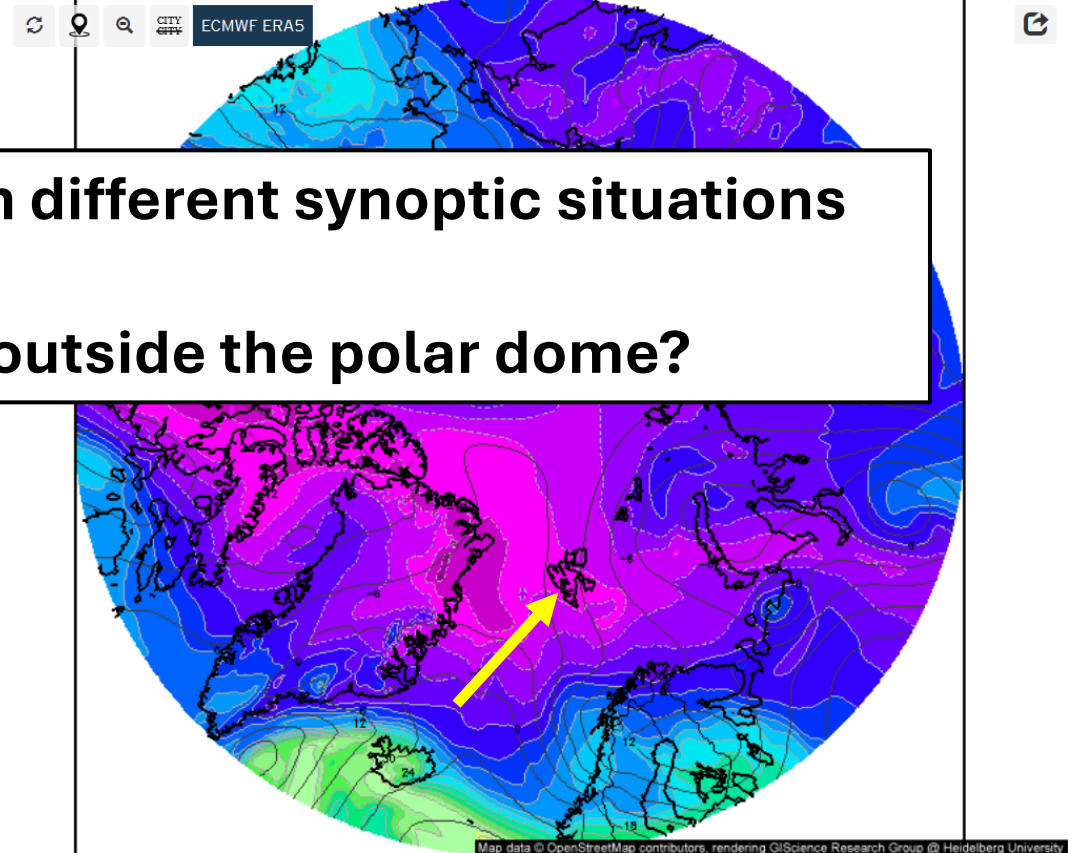
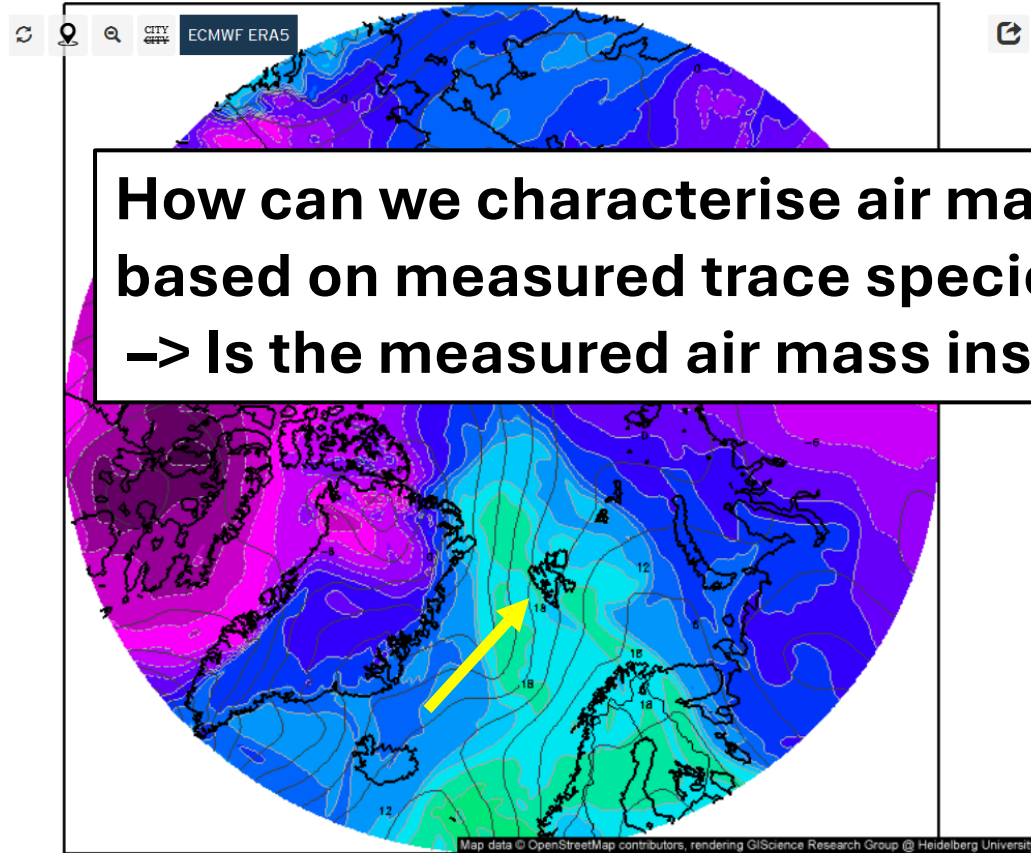
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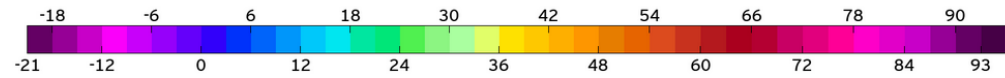


How can we characterise air masses in different synoptic situations based on measured trace species?

-> Is the measured air mass inside or outside the polar dome?

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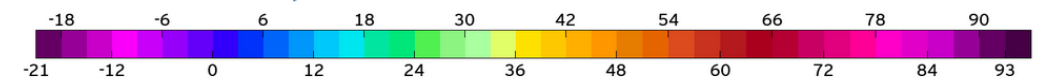


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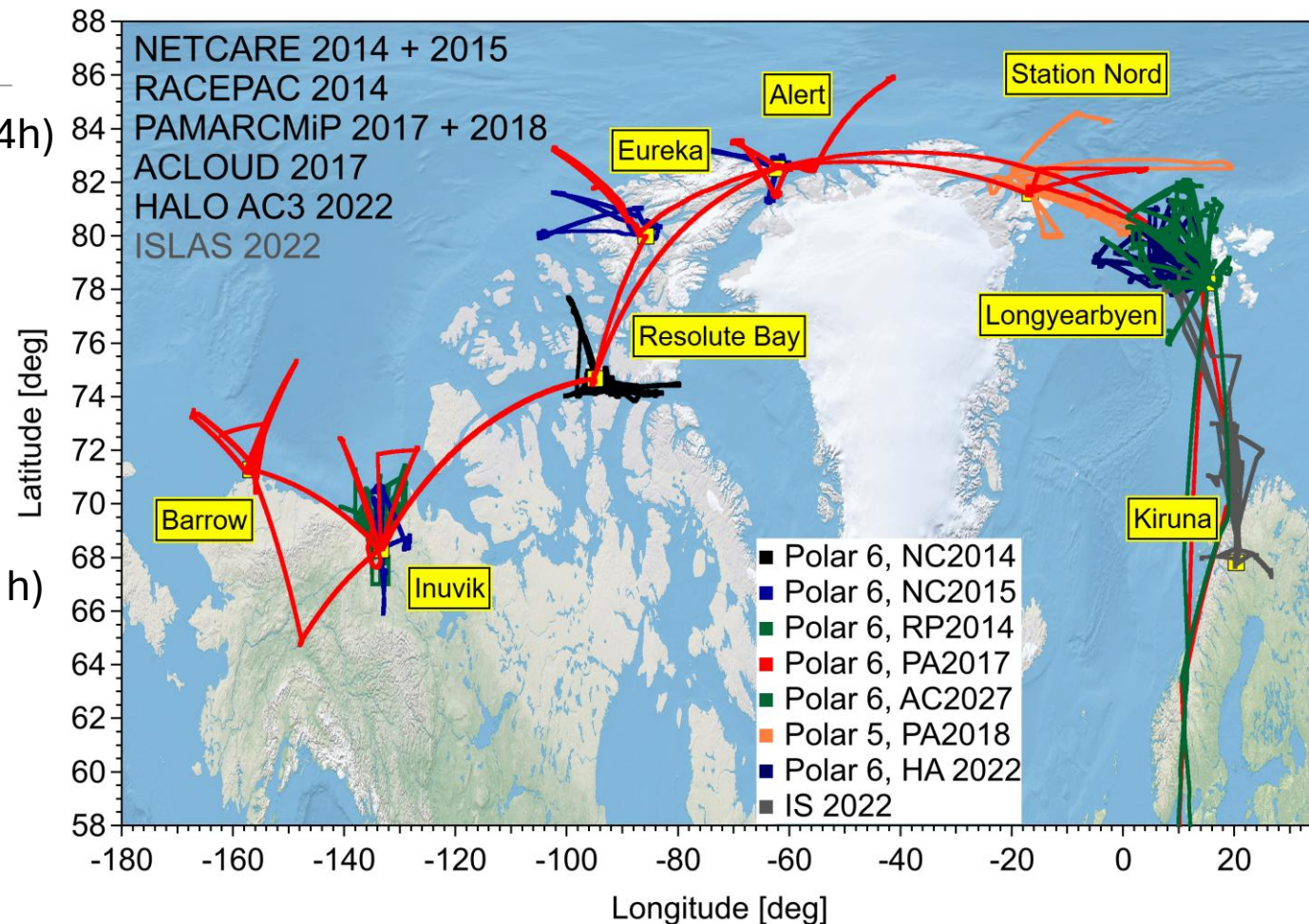
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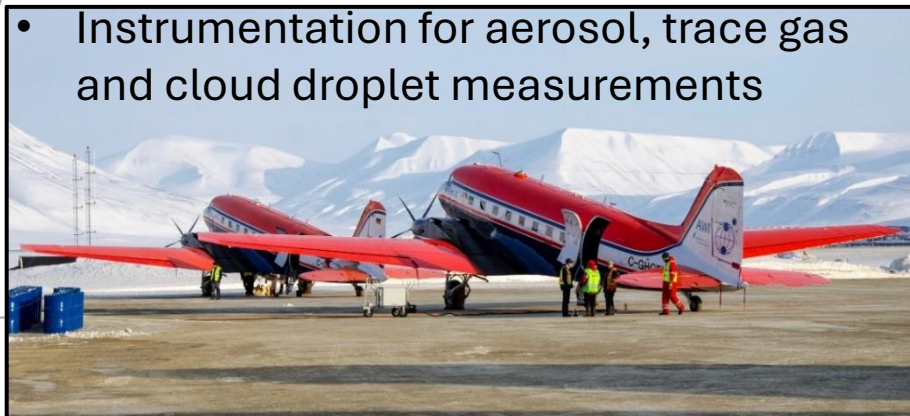
Data base

- **RACEPAC 2014** -> Arctic early summer (16 flights, 44h)
2014/04 – 2014/05
- **NETCARE 2014** -> Arctic summer (11 flights, 45 h)
2014/07
- **NETCARE 2015** -> Arctic spring (14 flights, 48 h)
2015/04
- **PAMARCMIP 2017** -> Arctic spring (26 flights, 98 h)
2017/04
- **ACLOUD 2017** -> Arctic early summer, (19 flights, 81 h)
2017/05 – 2017/06
- **PAMARCMIP 2018** – Arctic spring (14 flights, 75 h)
2018/03 – 2018/04
- **HALO AC3 2022** – Arctic Spring (13 Flights, 64 h)
2022/03 – 2022/04
- **ISLAS 2022** – Arctic Spring (9 Flights, 44 h)
2022/03 – 2022/04

⇒ **113 flights, 455 flight hours**
(almost no instrument failures)

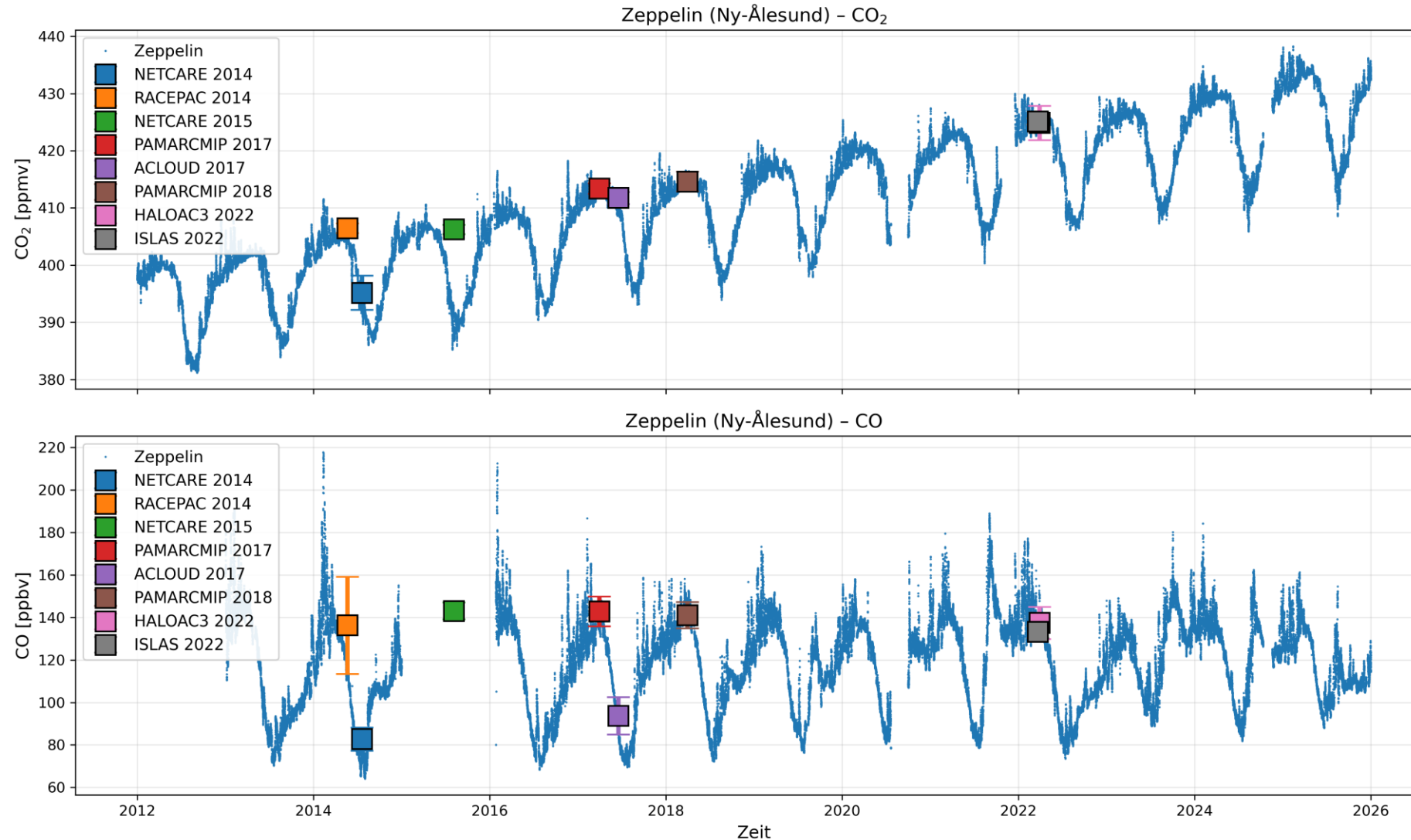


- Instrumentation for aerosol, trace gas and cloud droplet measurements

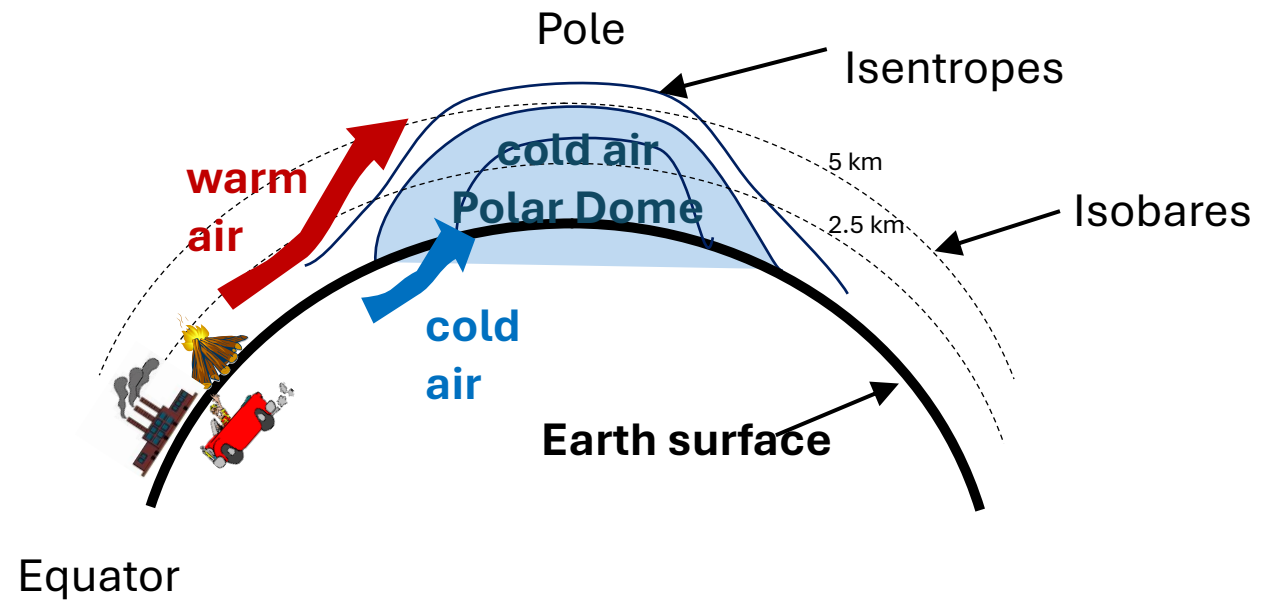
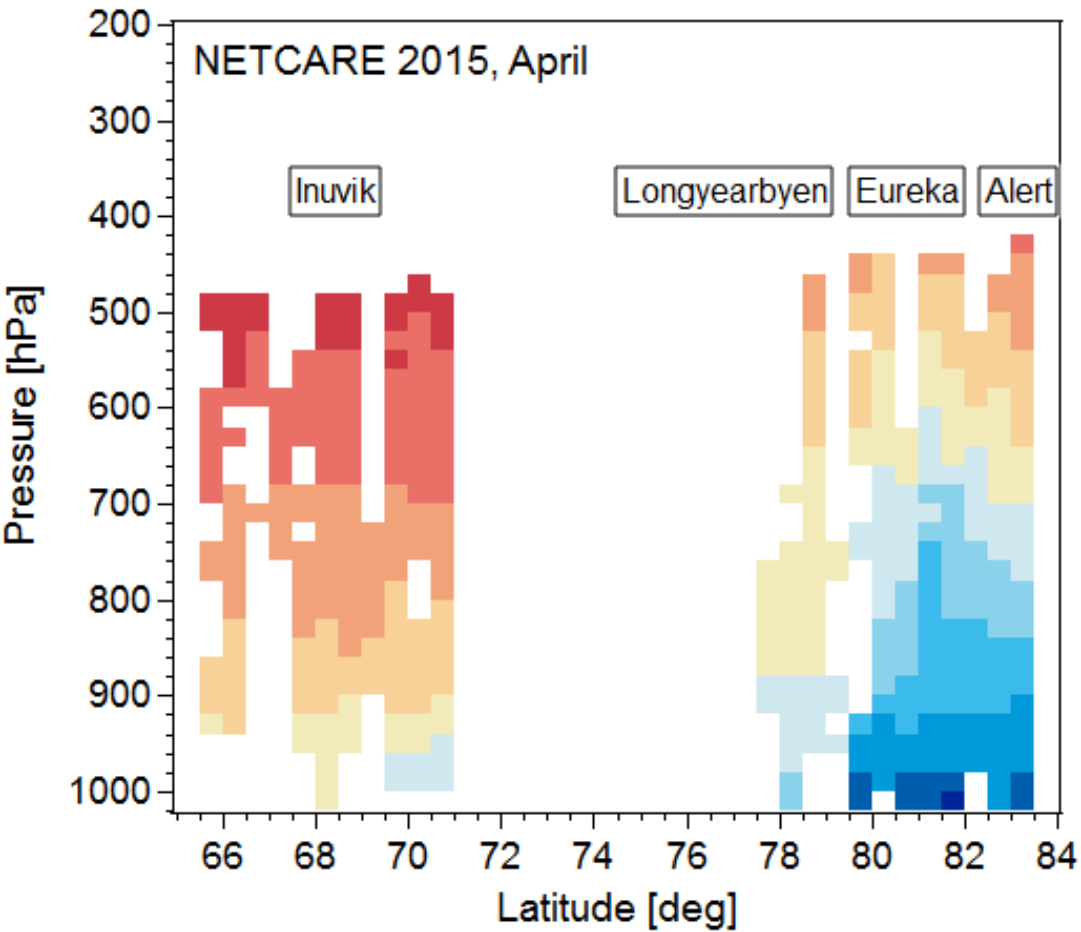


Comparison to ground based measurements (Zeppelin mountain)

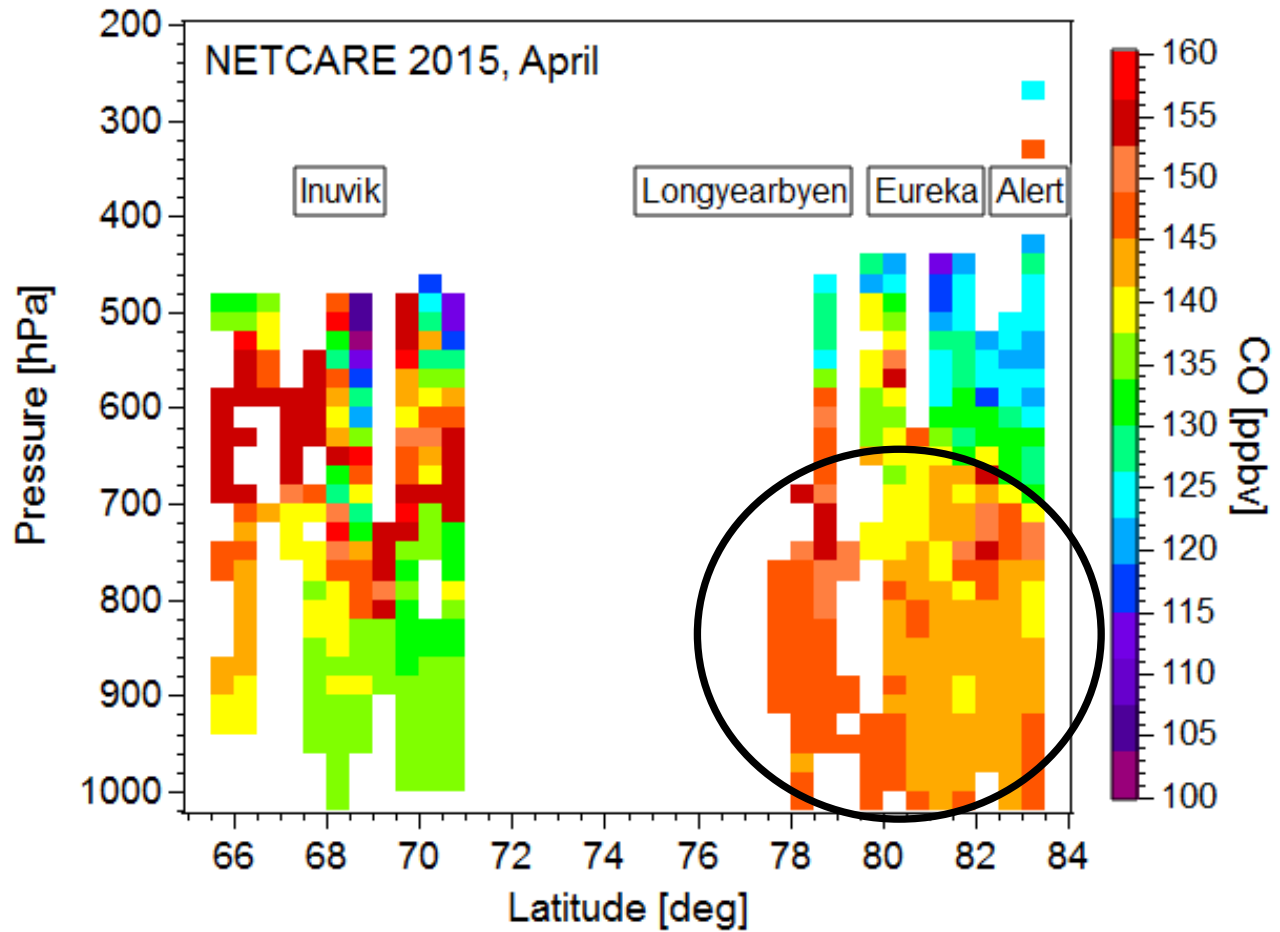
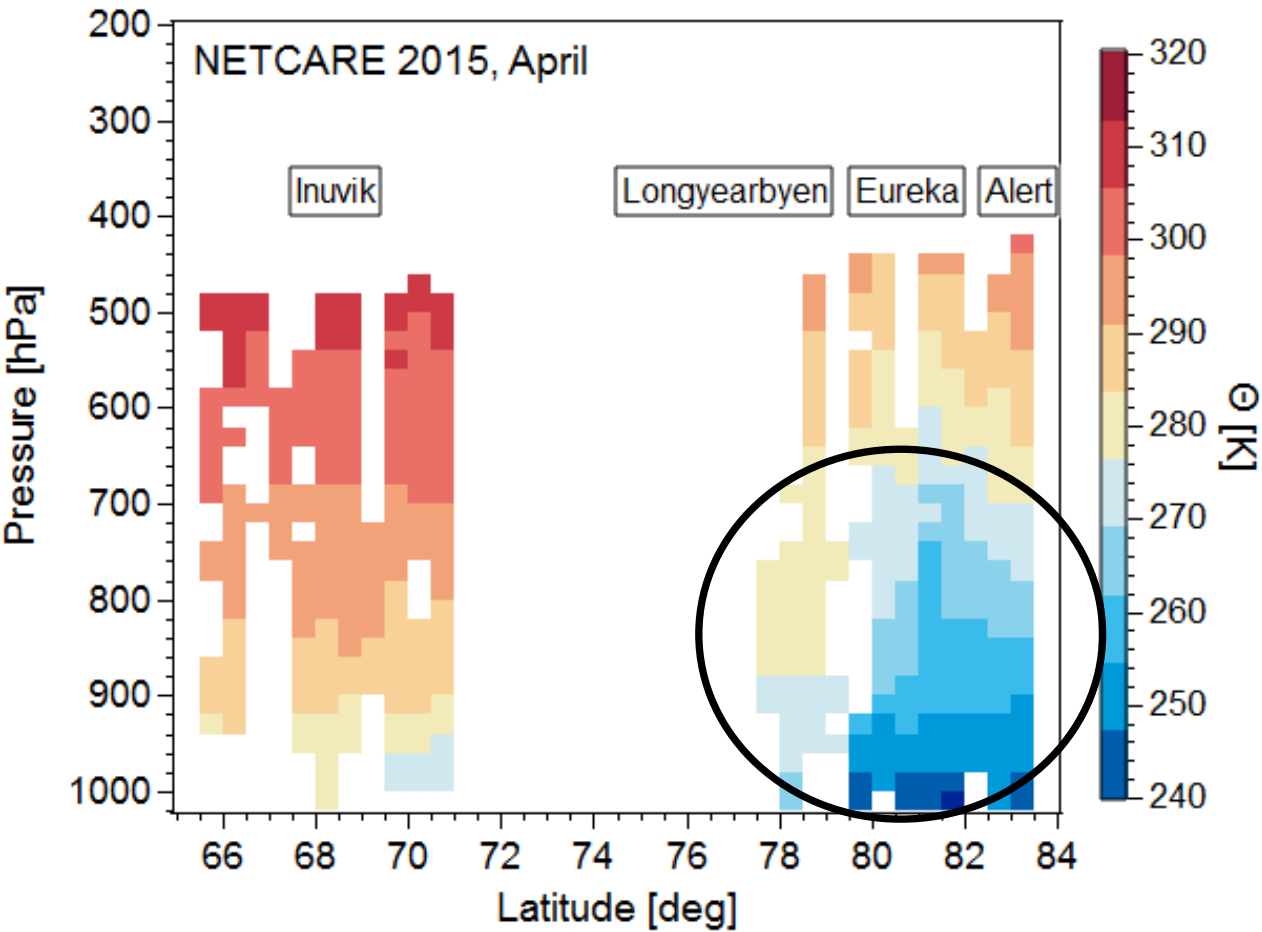
- Zeppelin shows a seasonal cycle for both species, CO and CO₂
- Measurements of the lowest 500 m of the airborne data compare very well to the ground station data



Potential temperature and CO distribution for NETCARE 2015

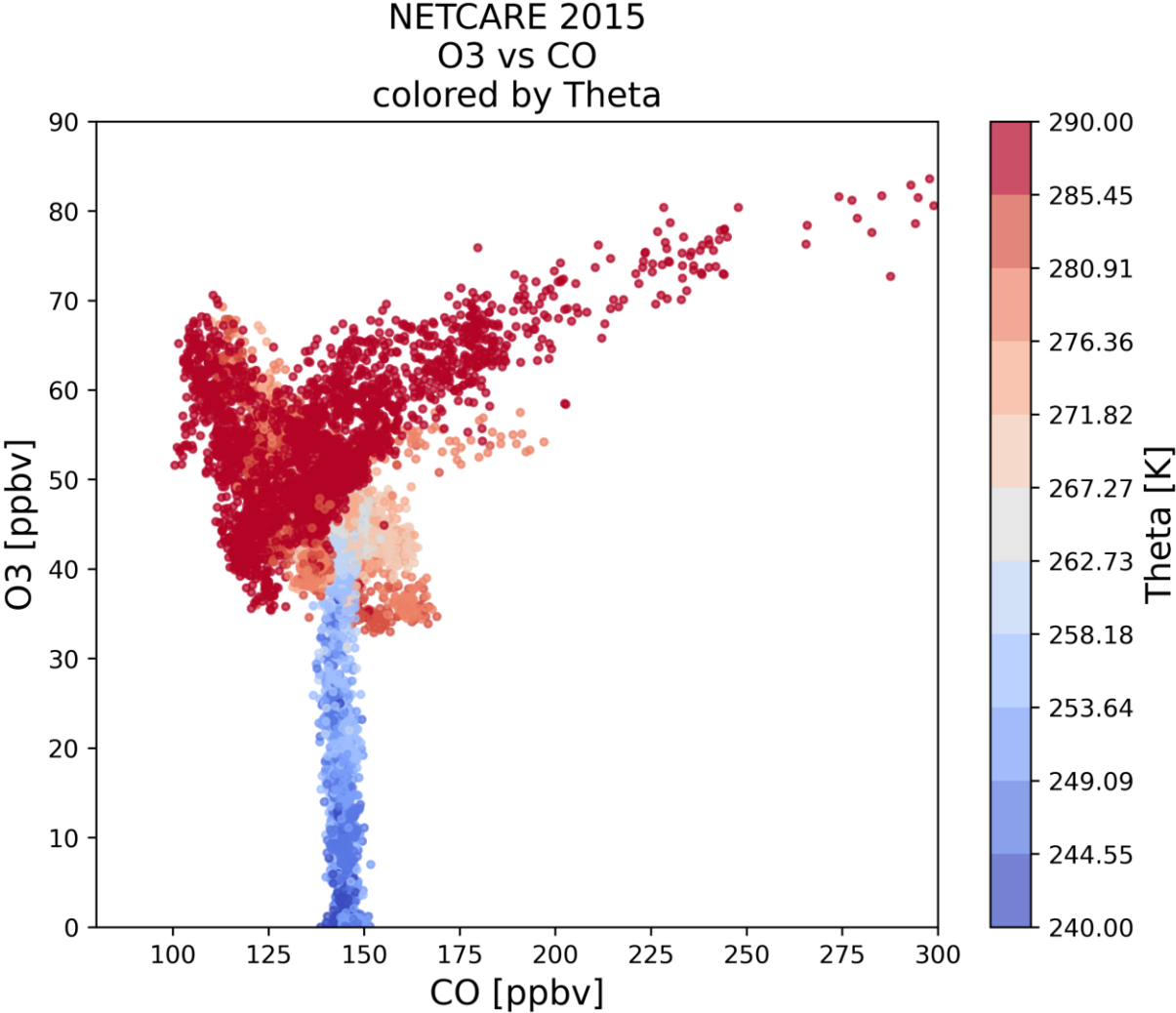


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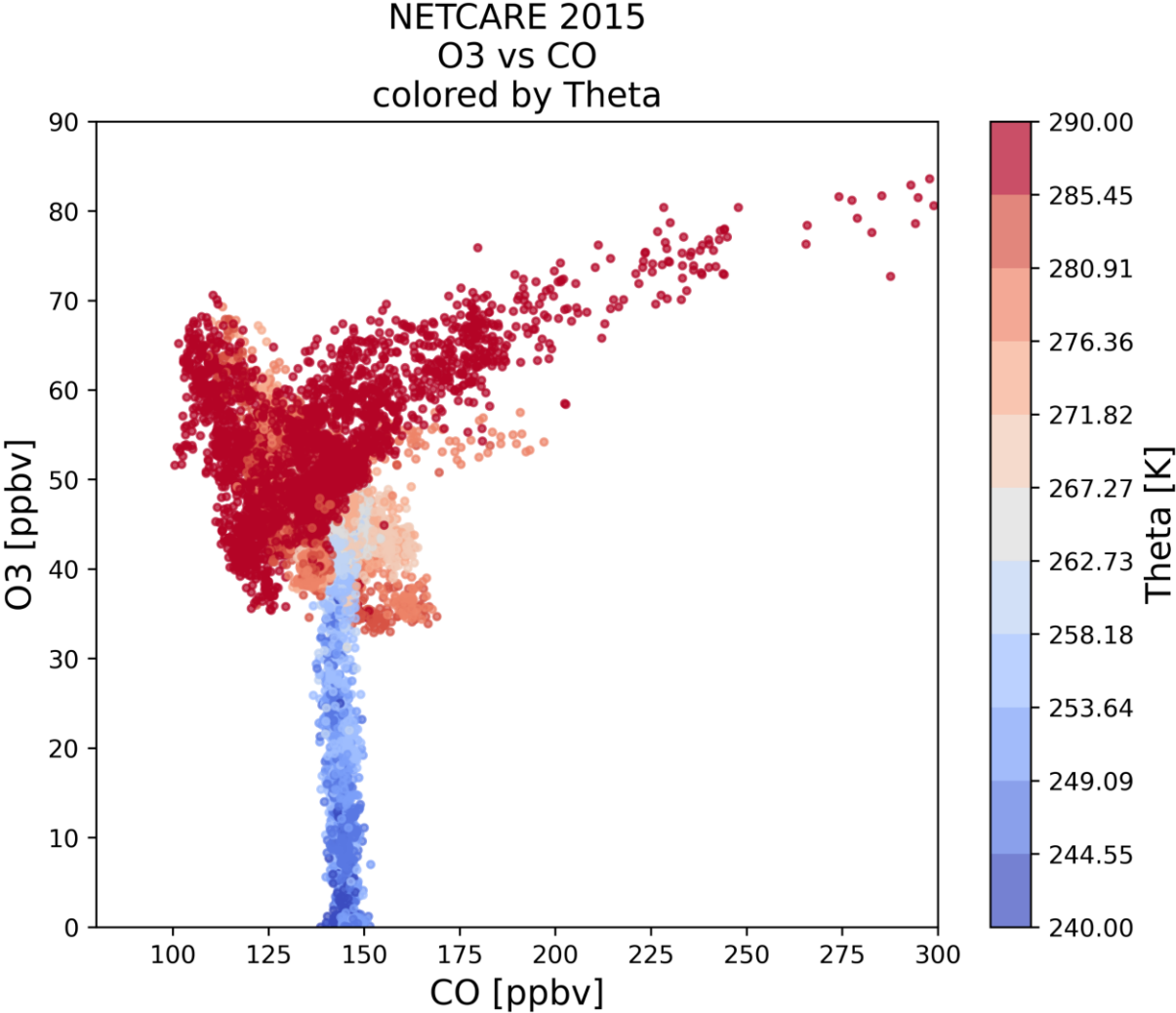
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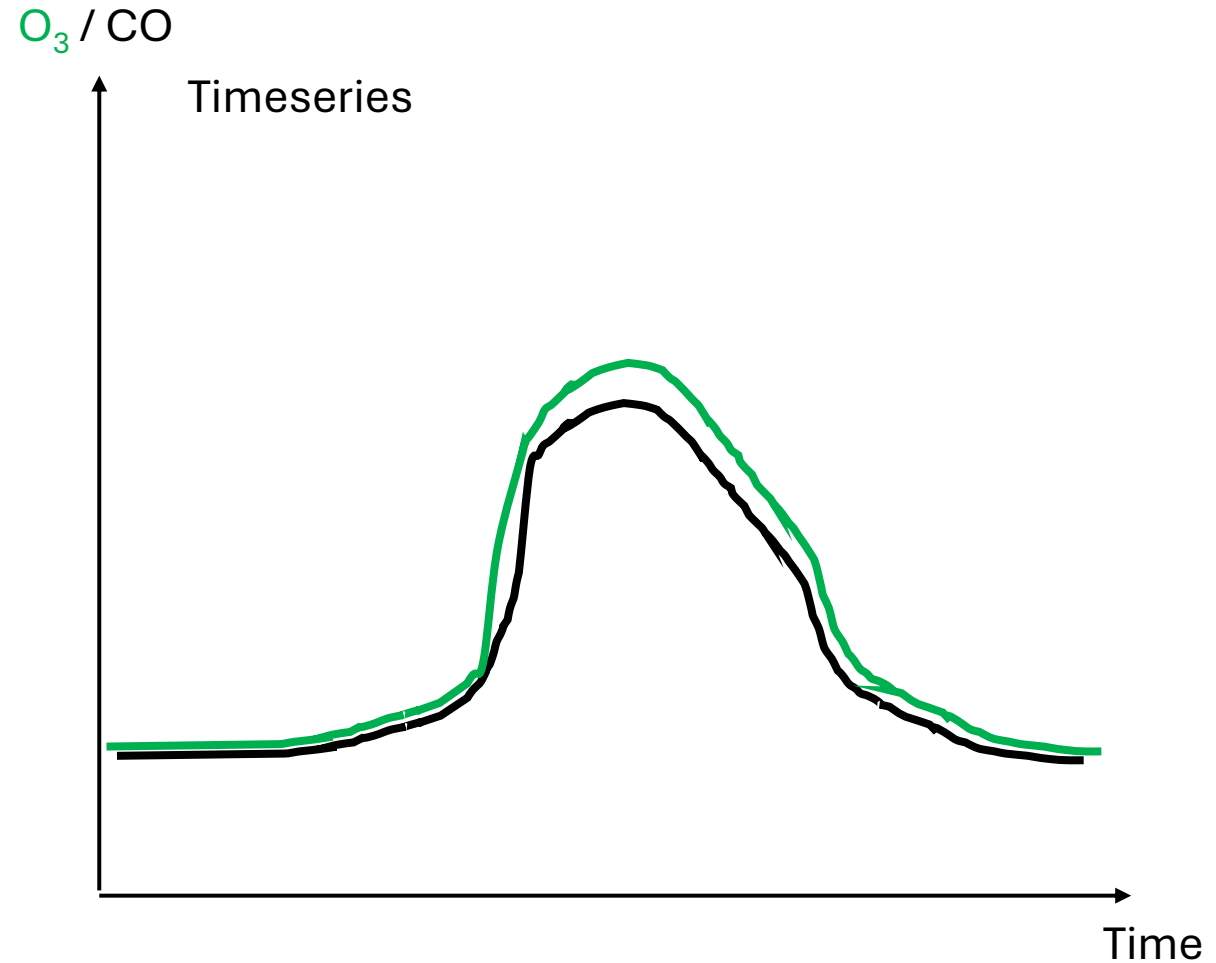
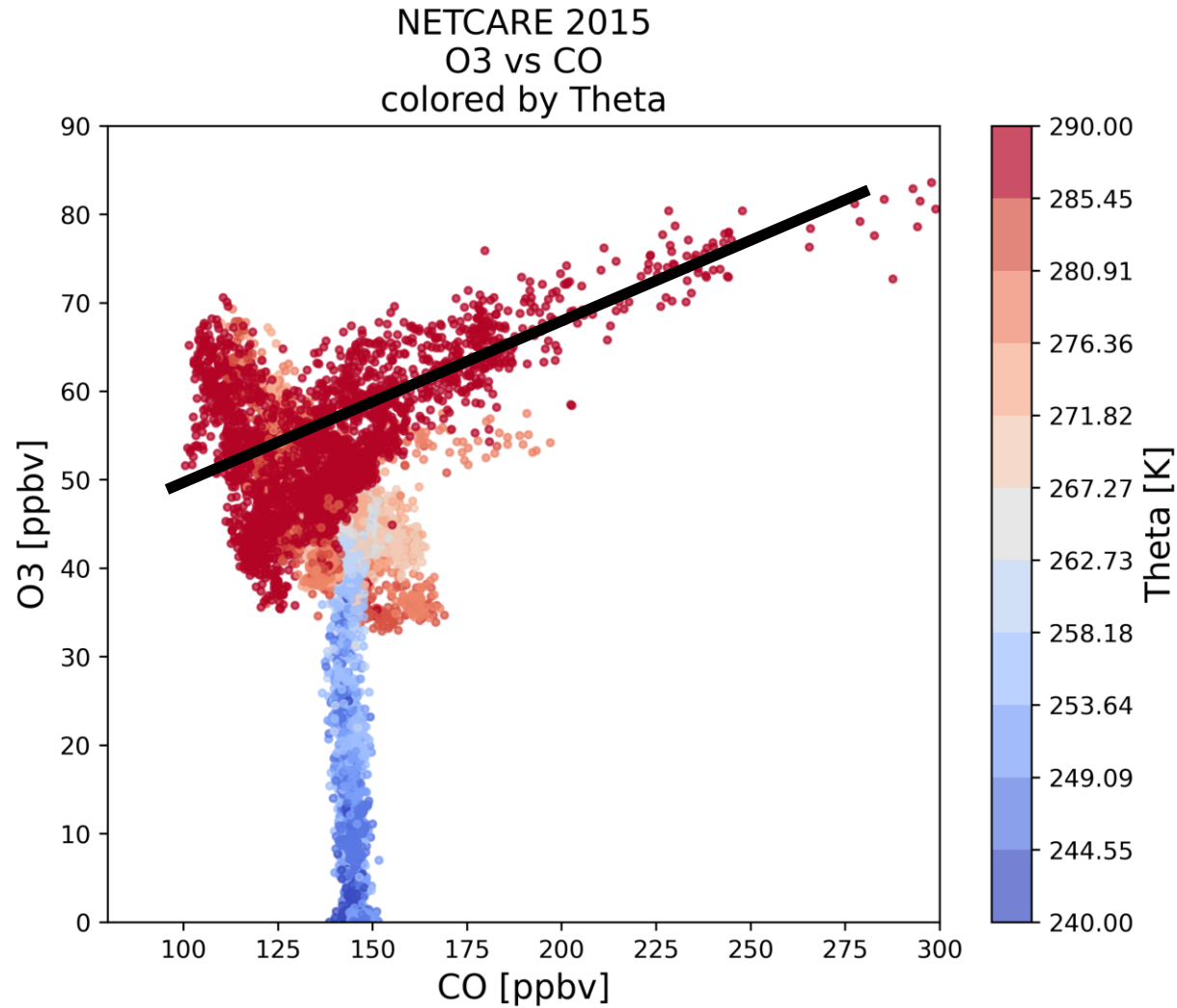
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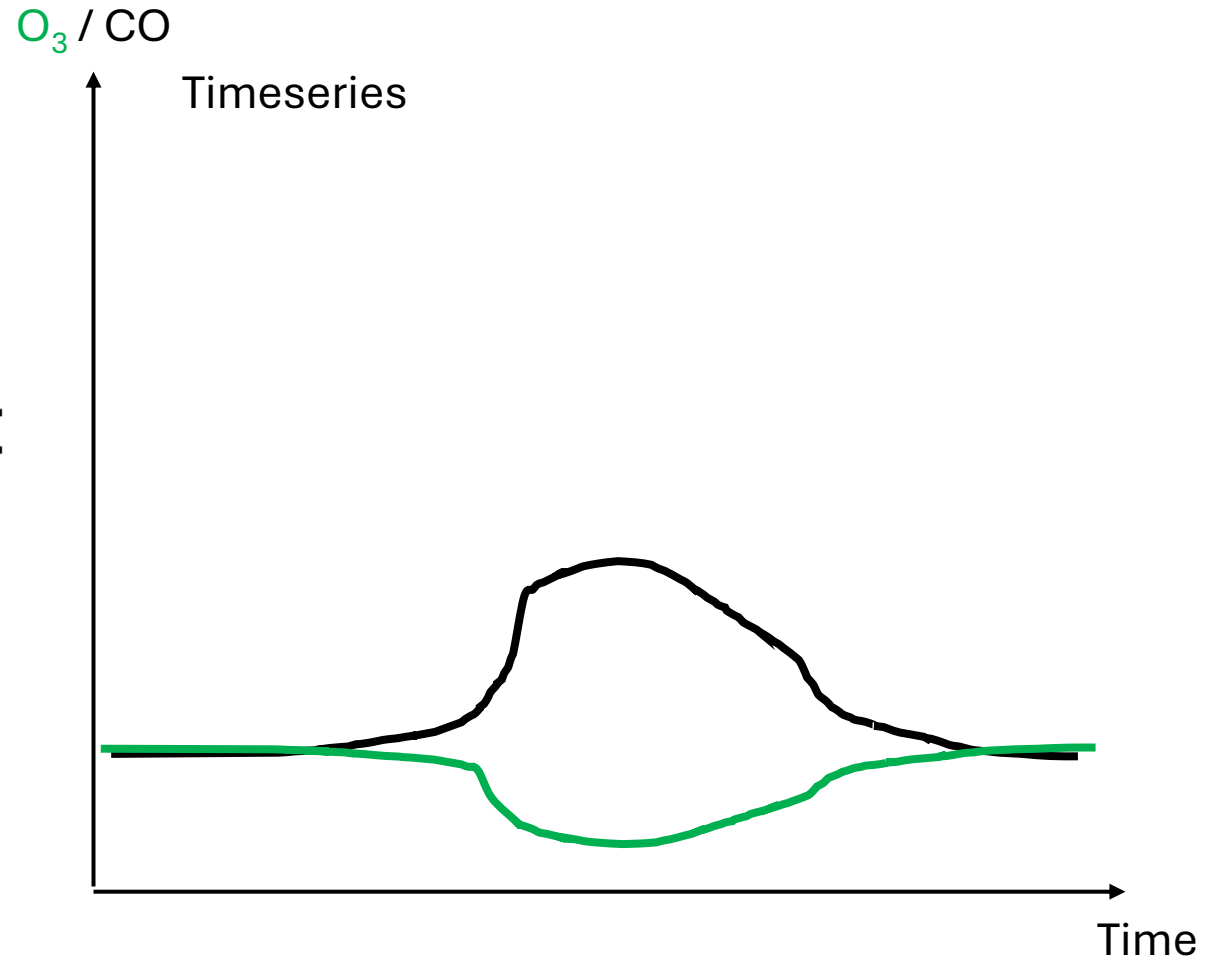
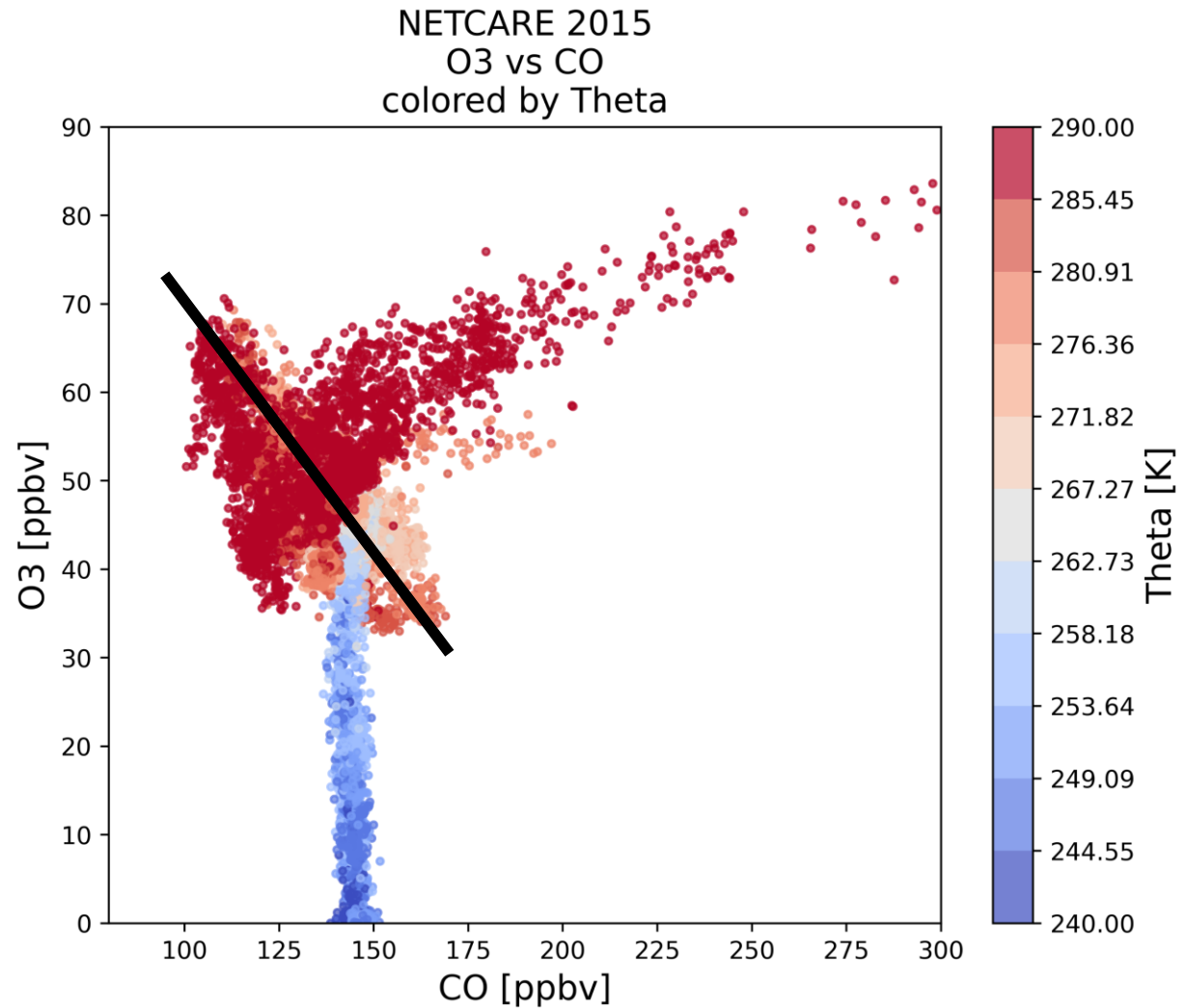
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O₃-CO-correlation – photochemical production in photochemically active periode

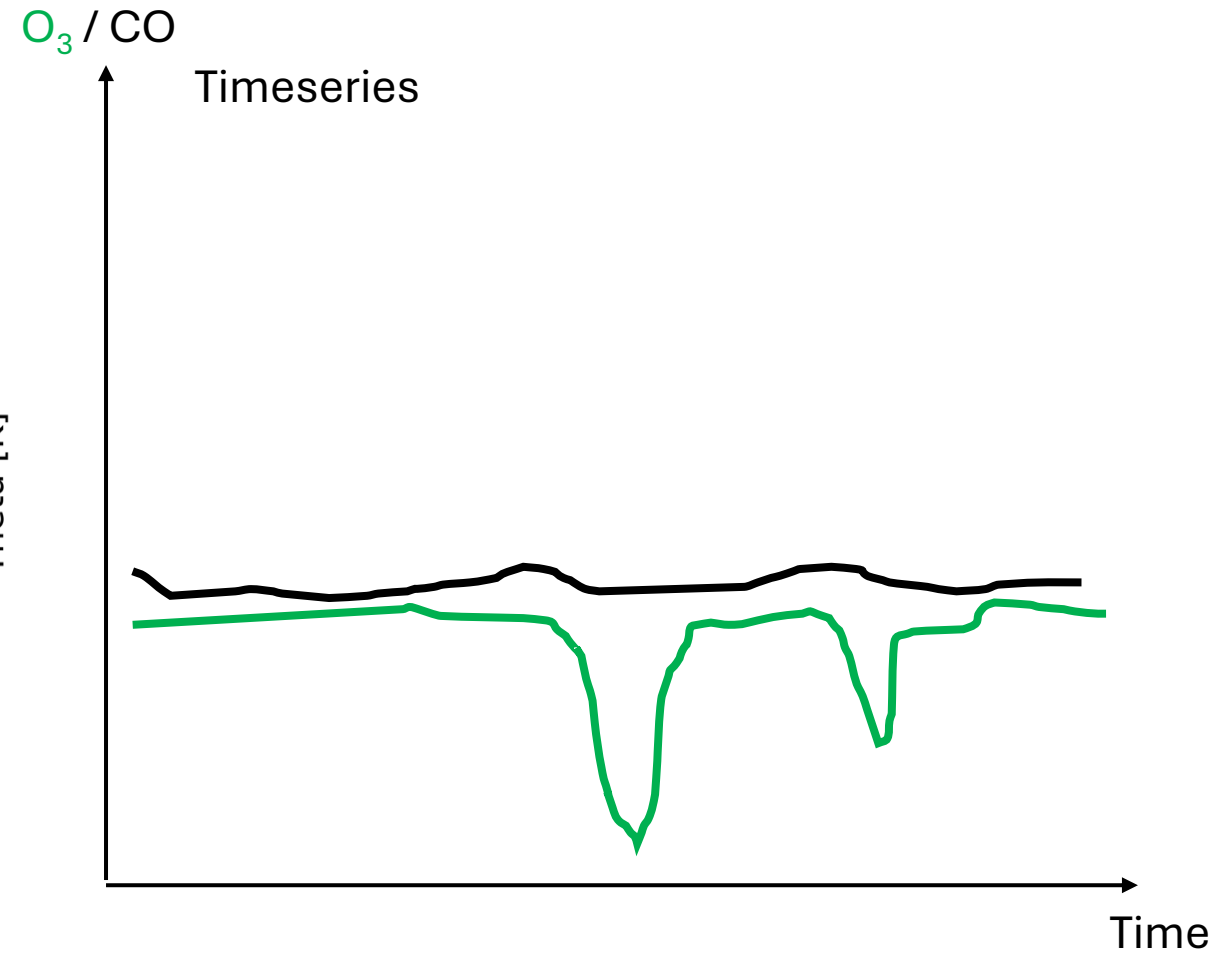
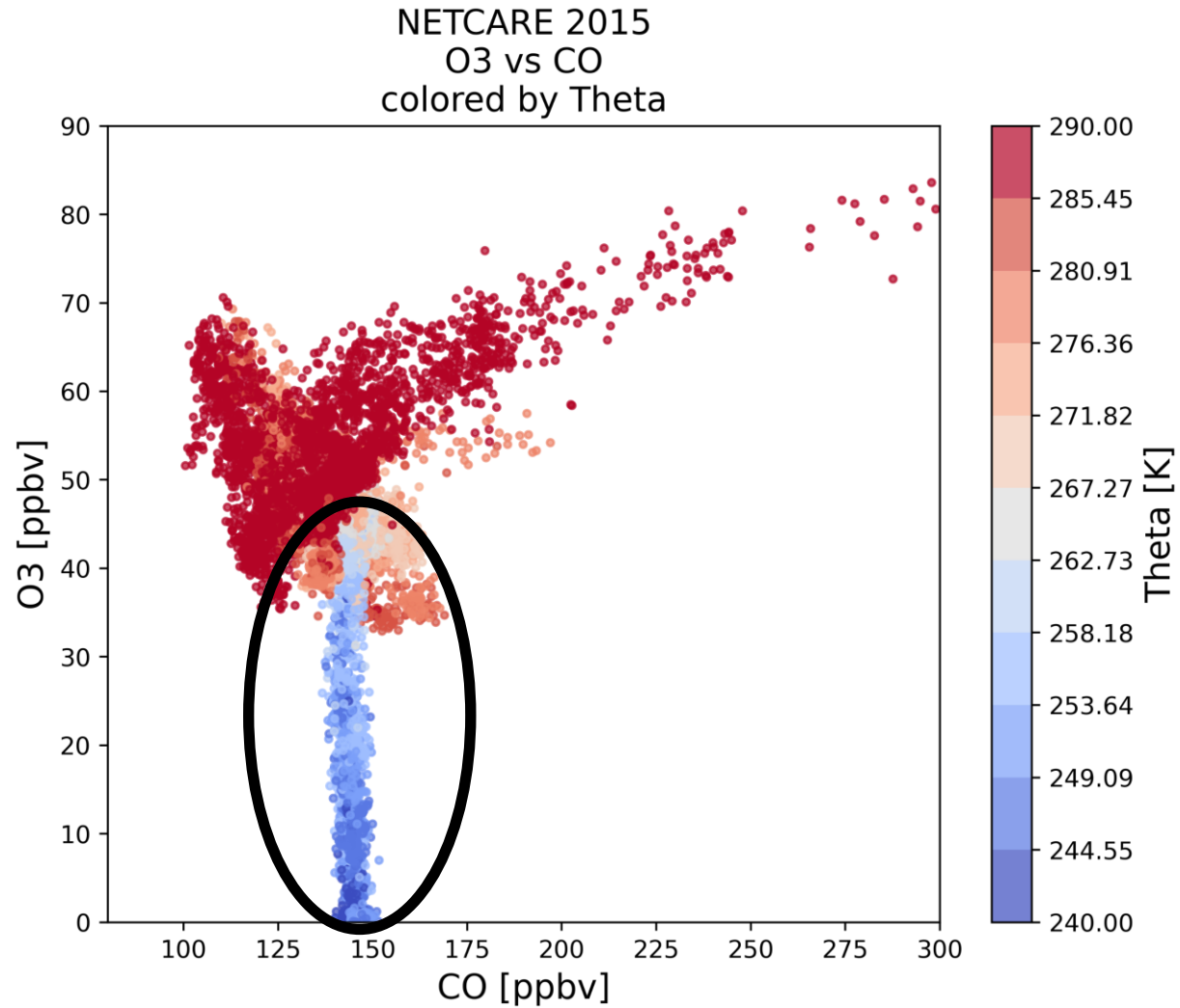


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O₃-CO-correlation – removal of ozone by reaction with anthropogenic pollution in photochemically not active periode

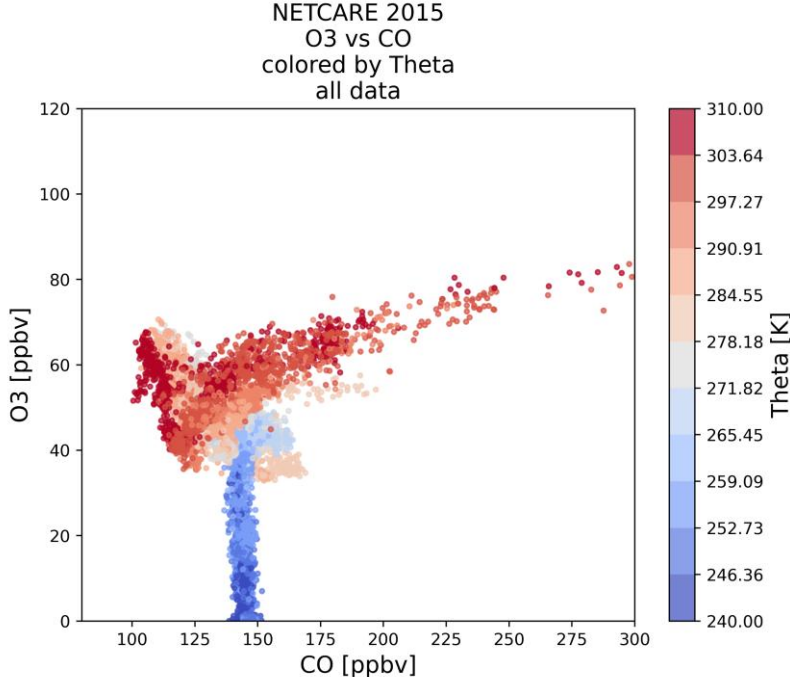


O₃-CO-correlation – ozone depletion events

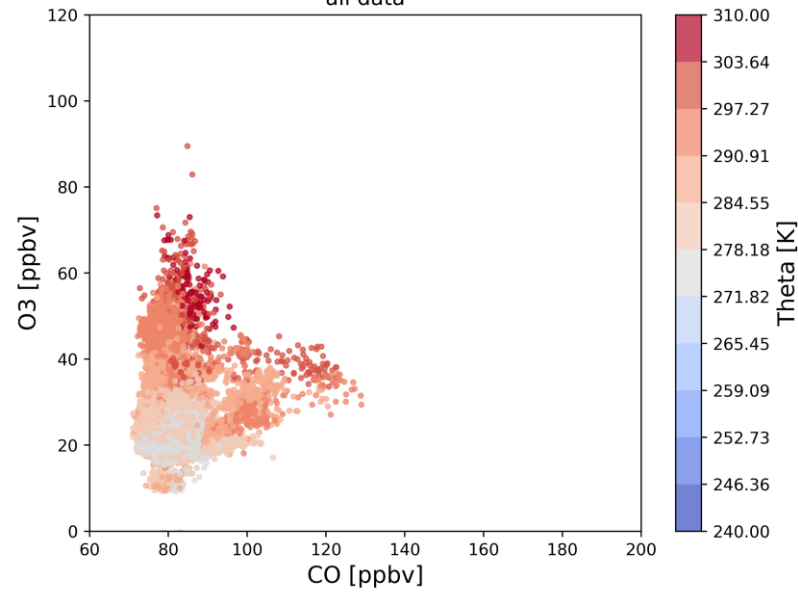


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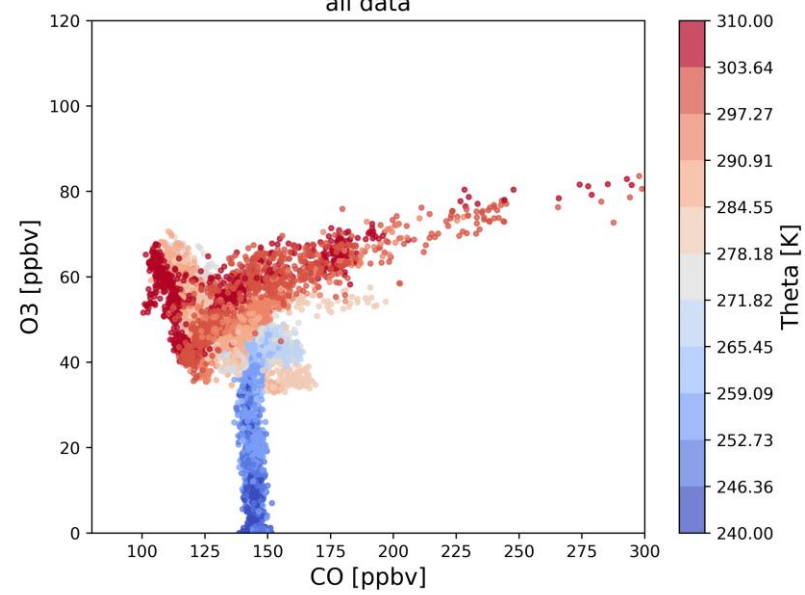
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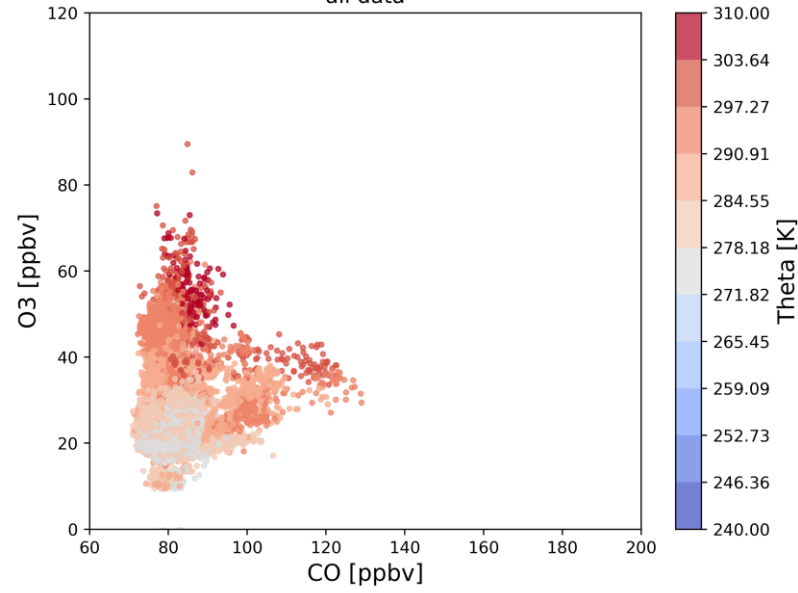
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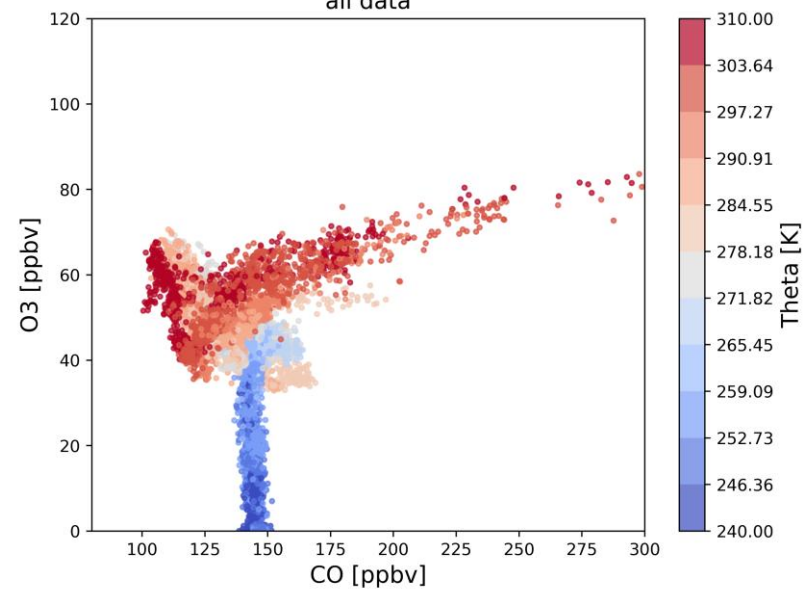
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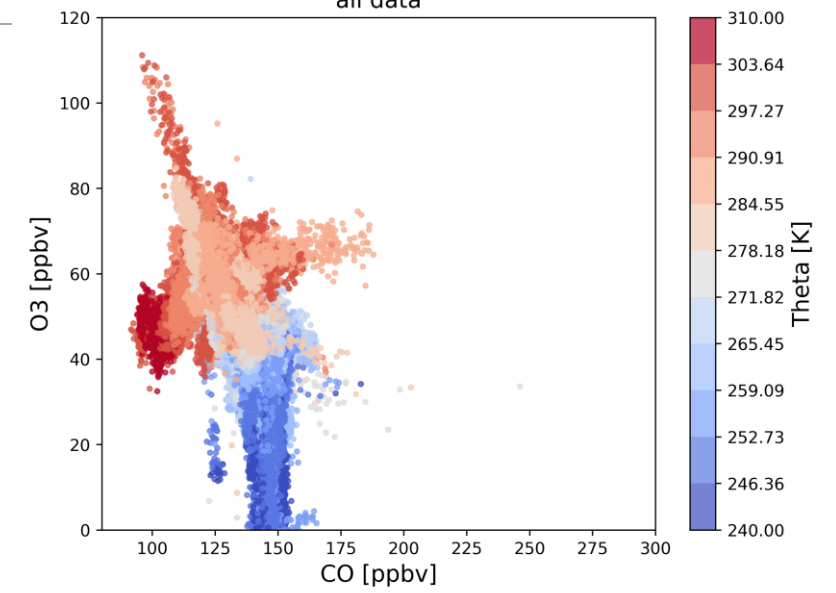
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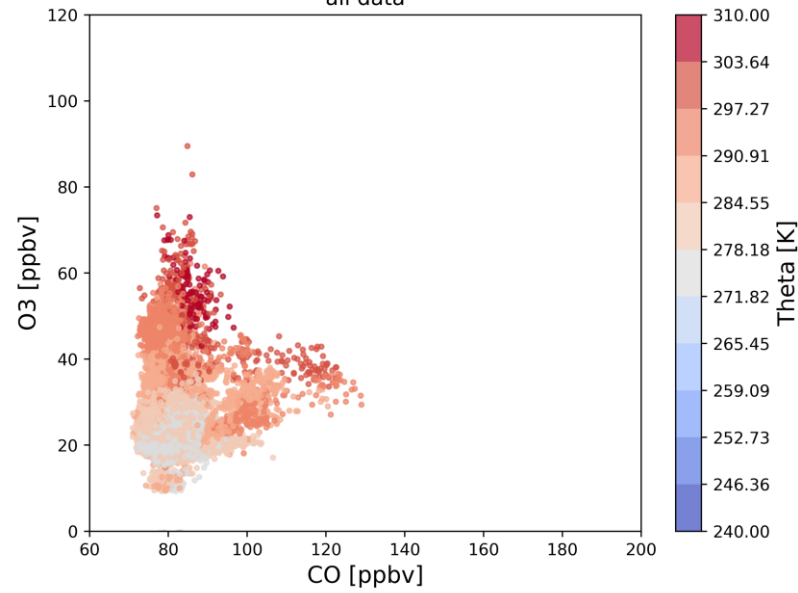
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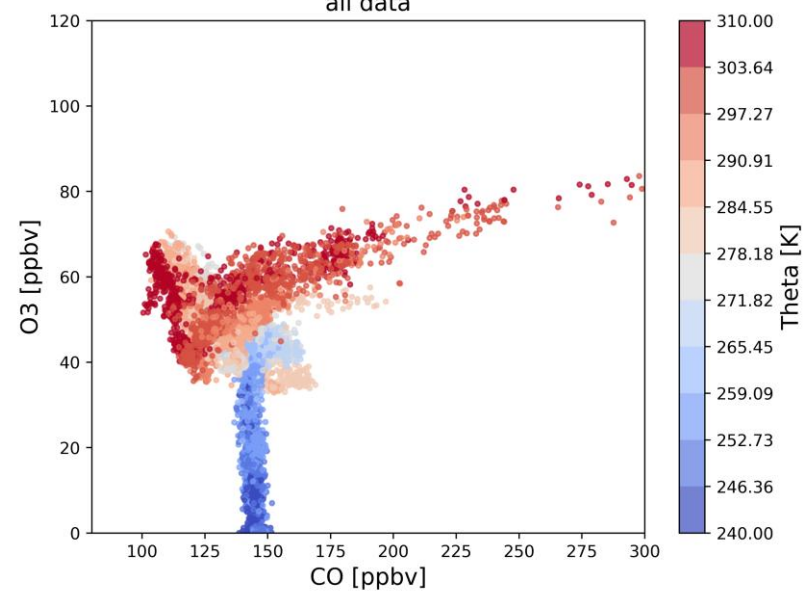
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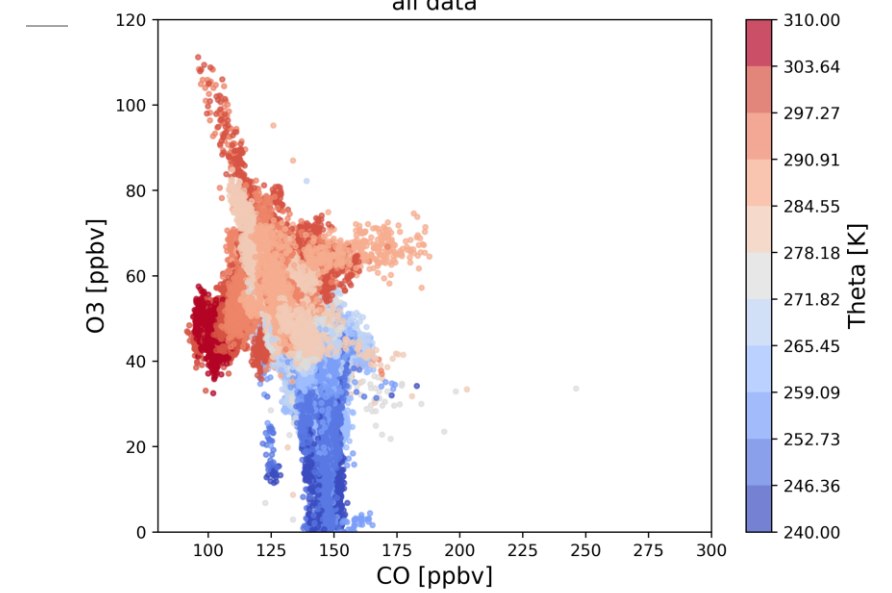
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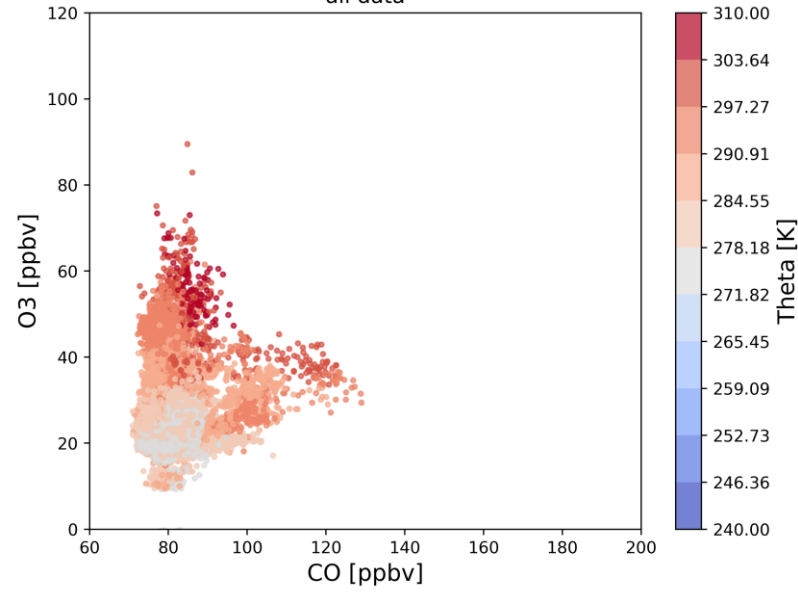
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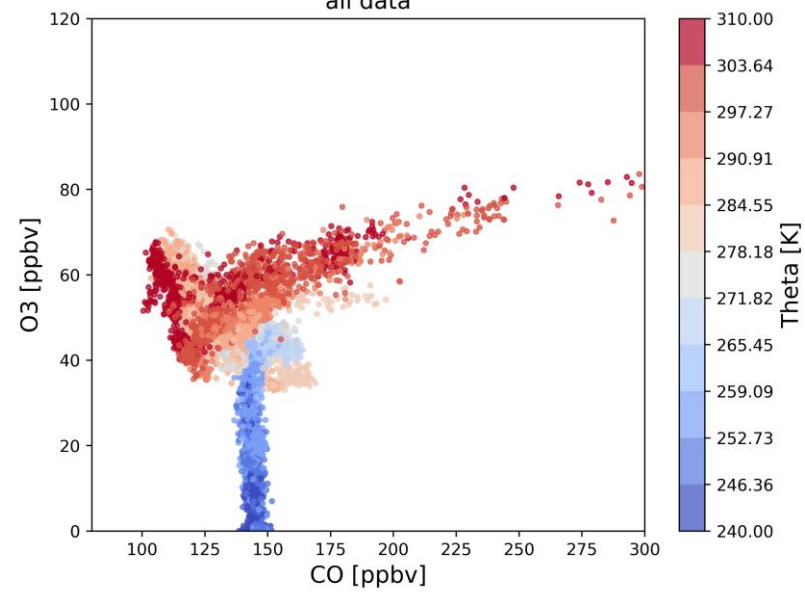
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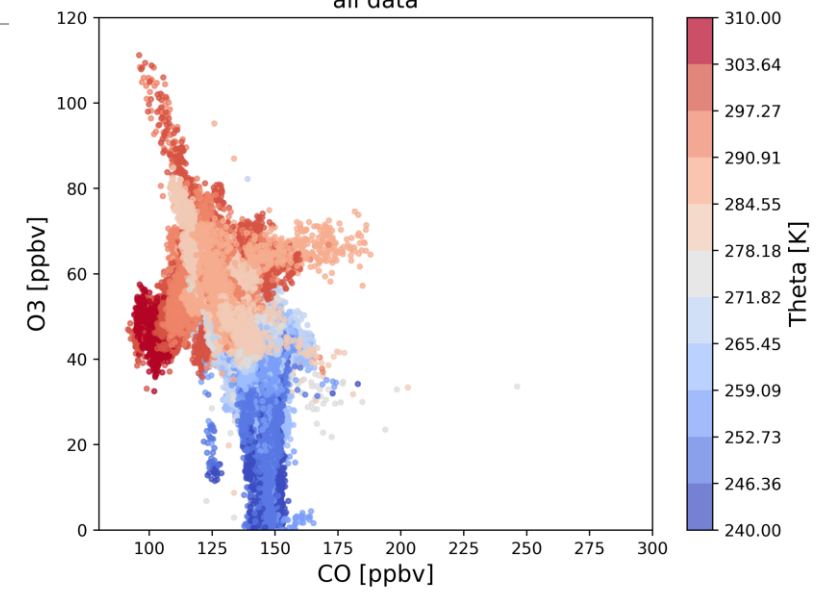
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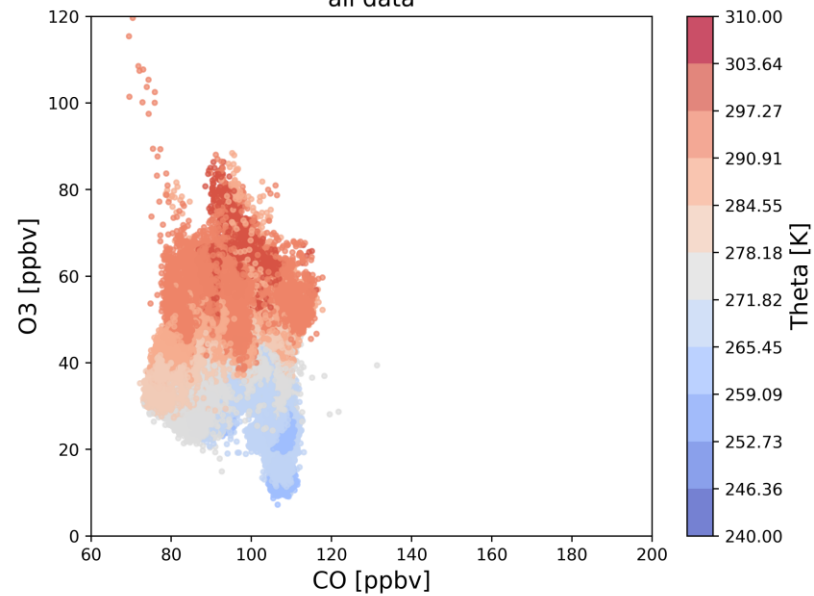
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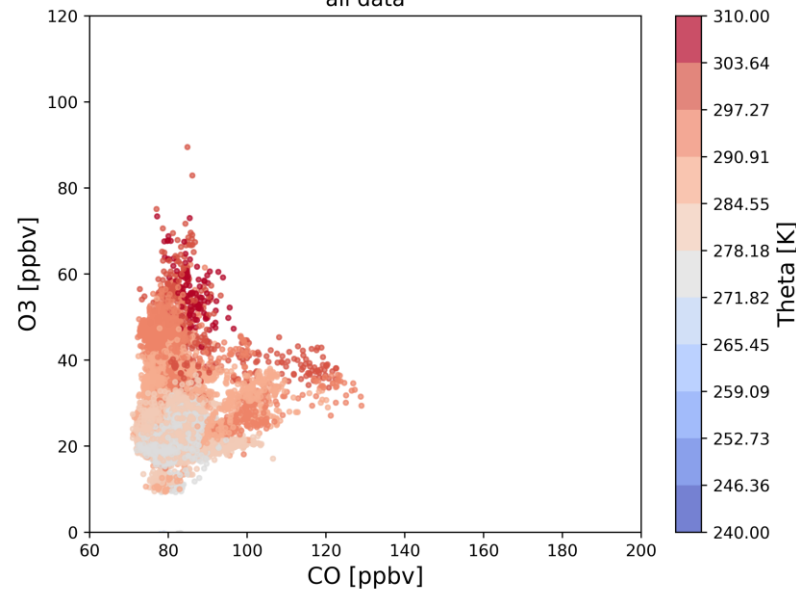
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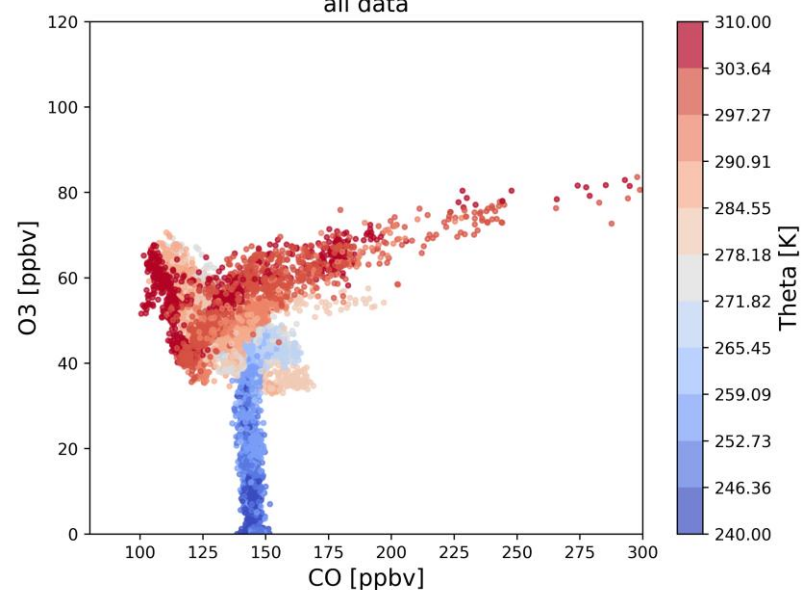
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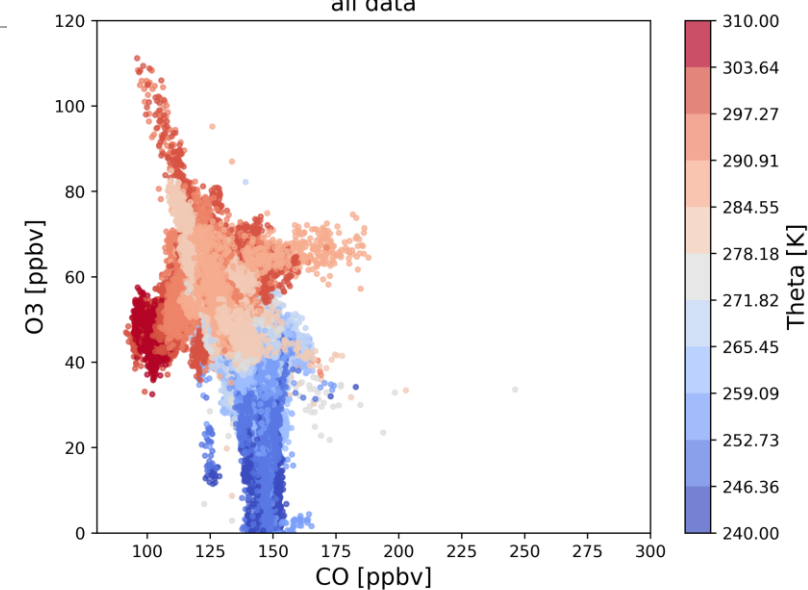
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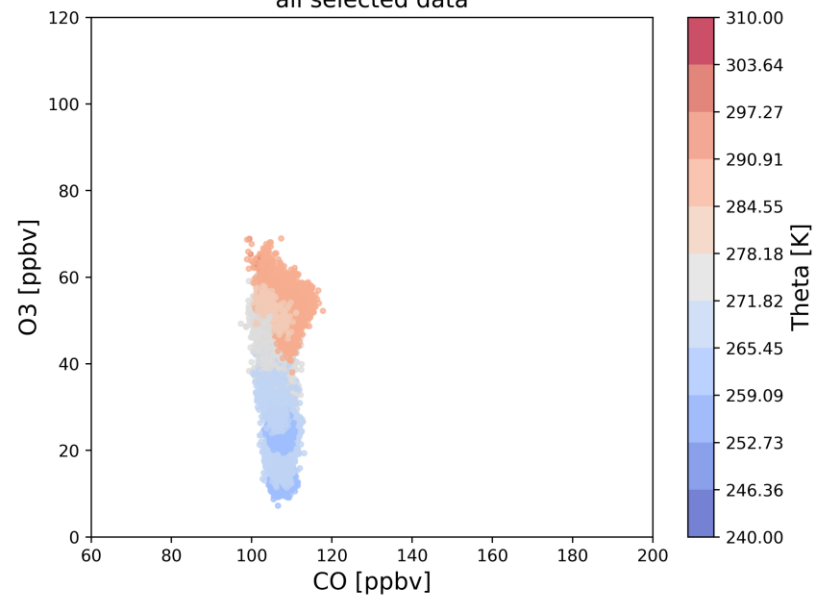
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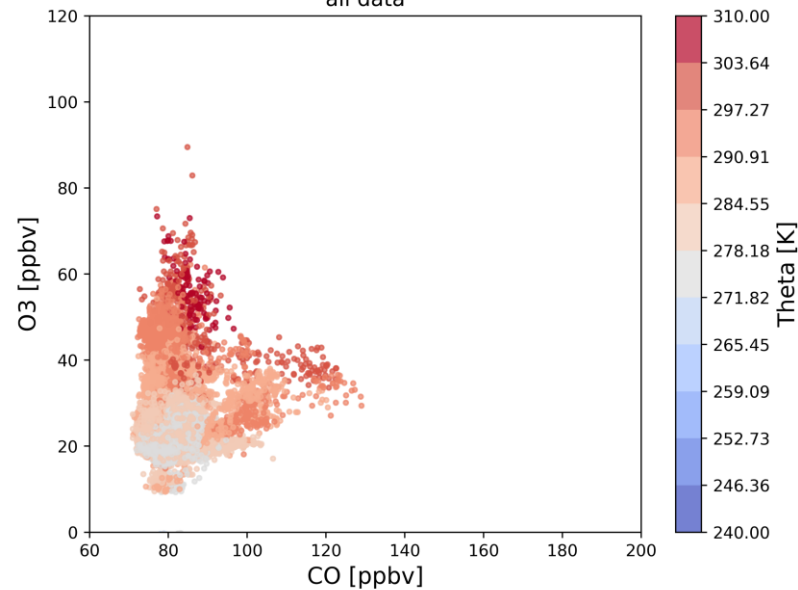
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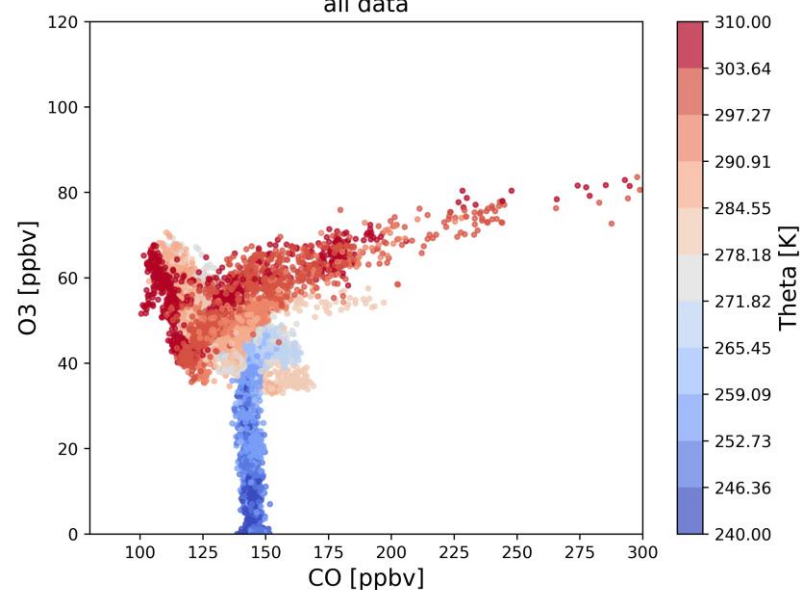
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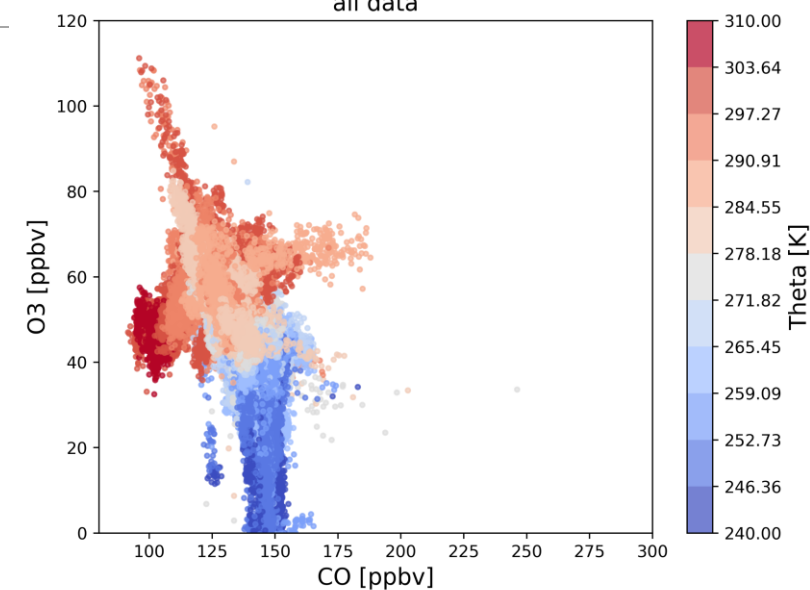
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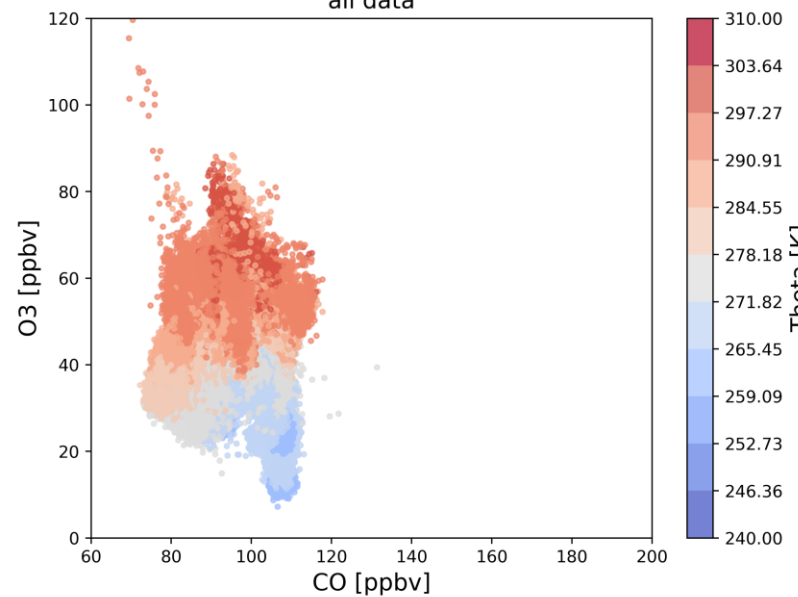
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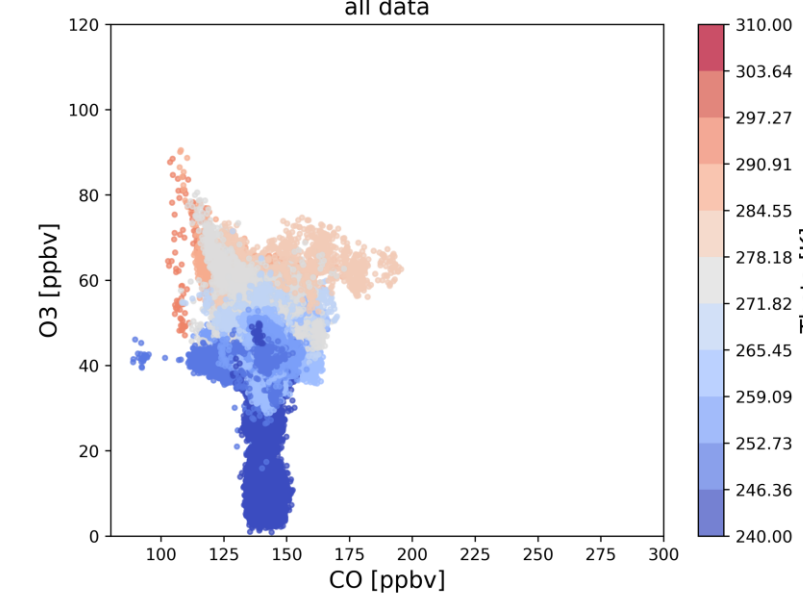
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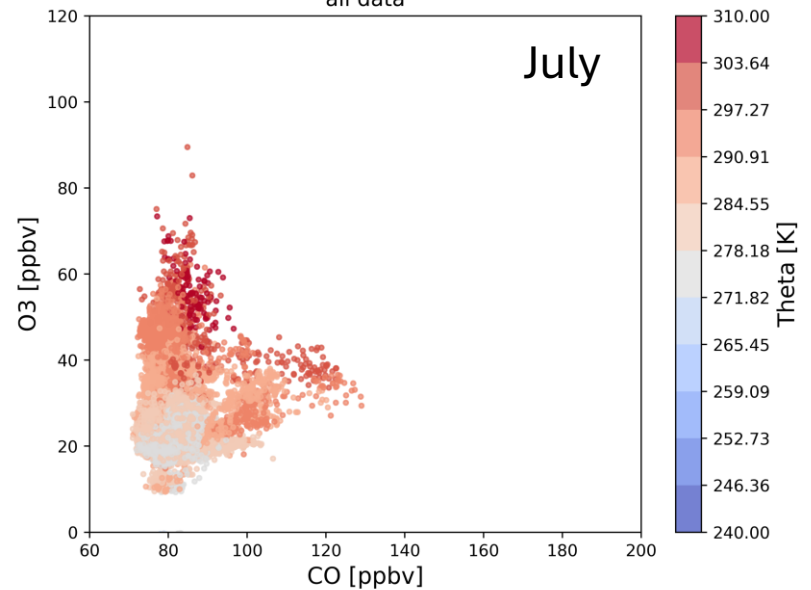
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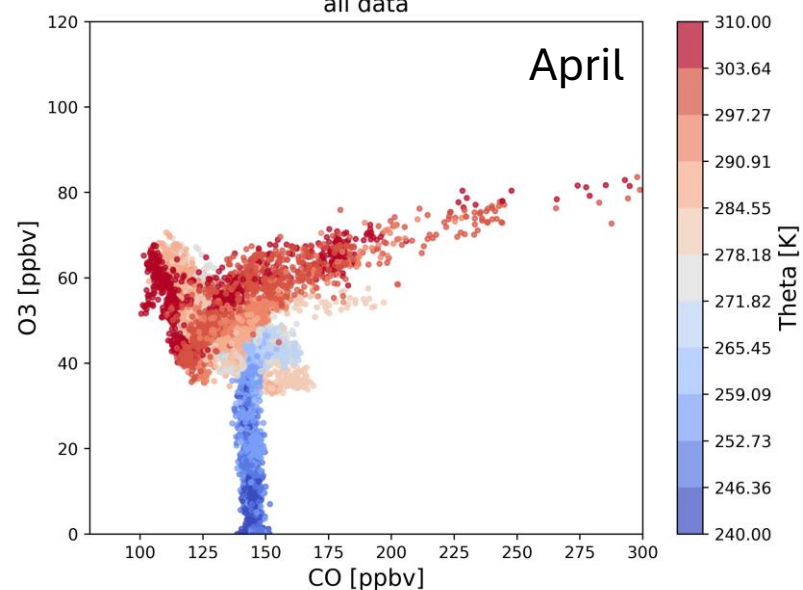
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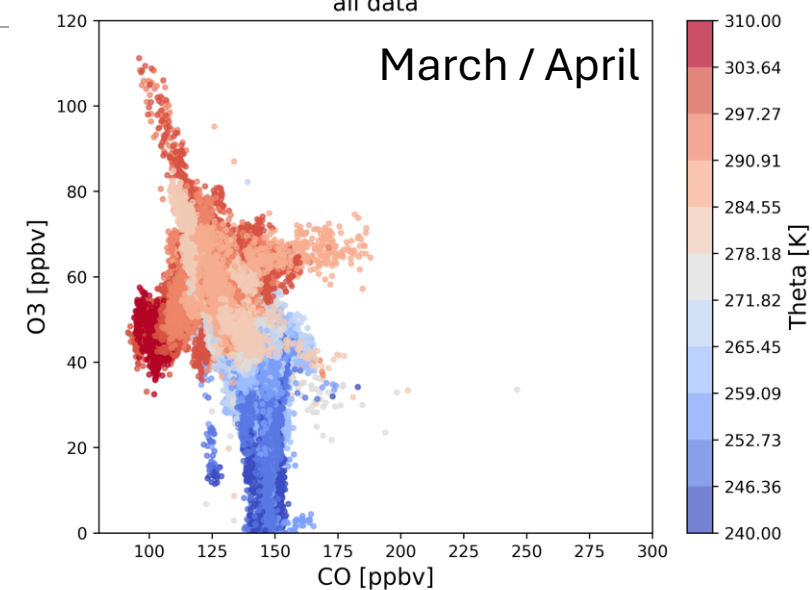
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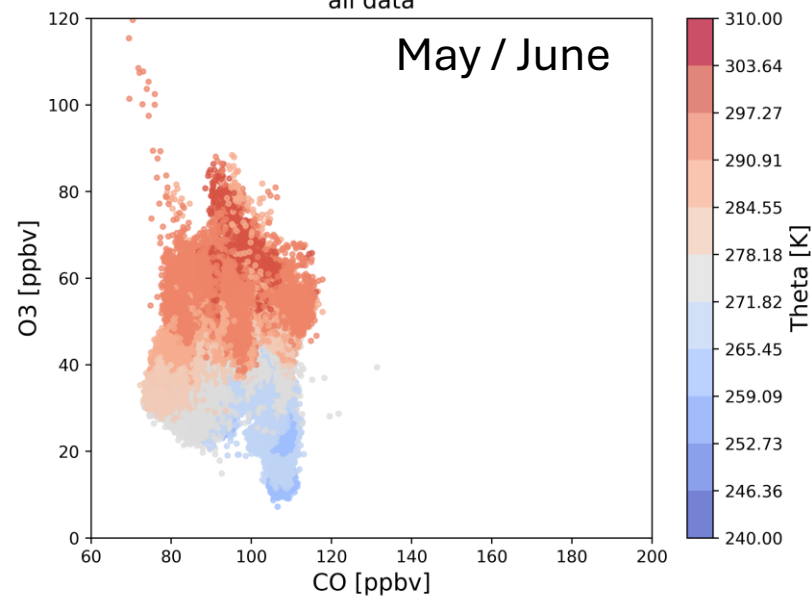
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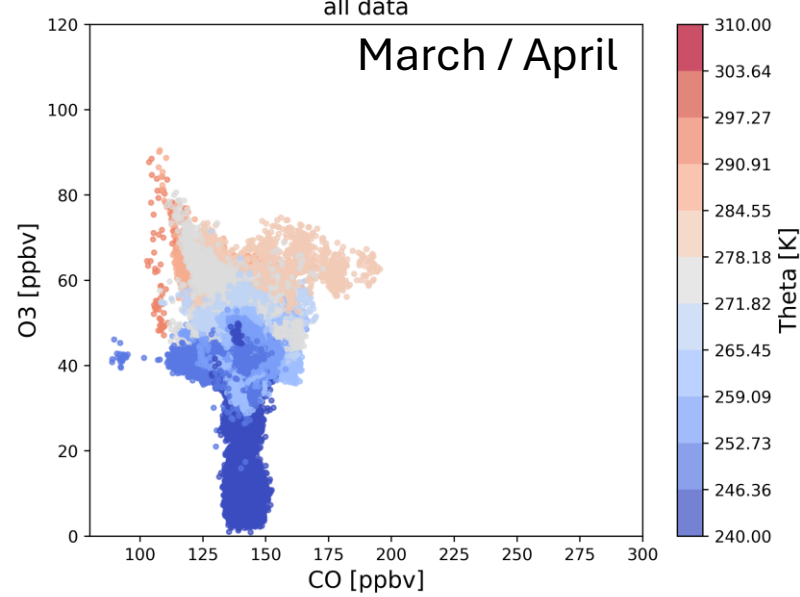
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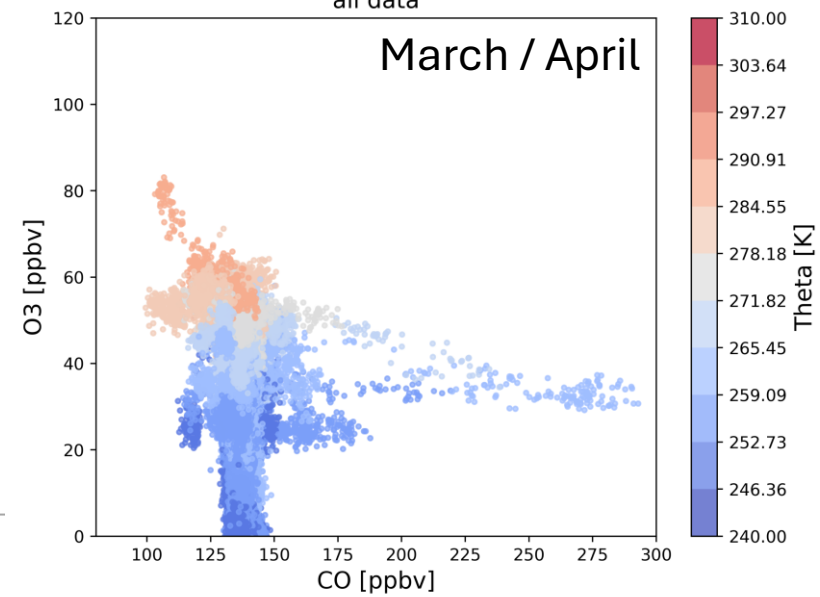
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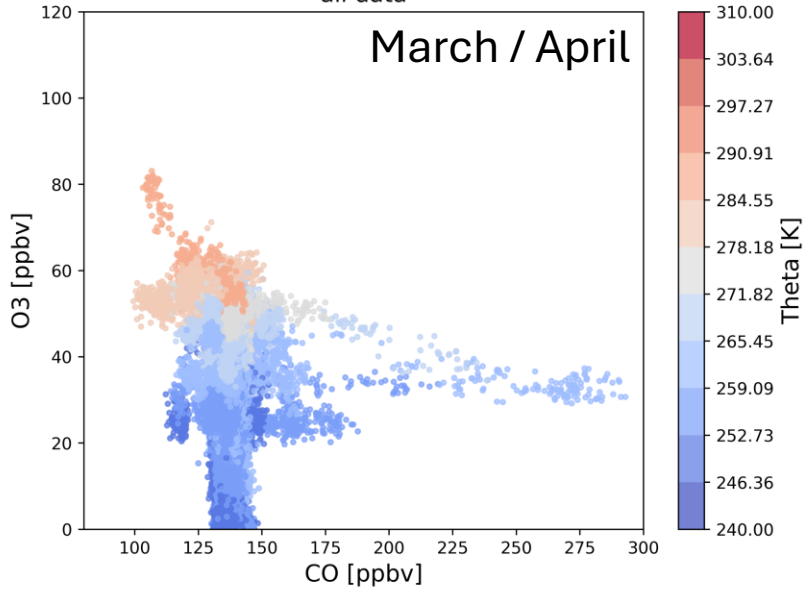
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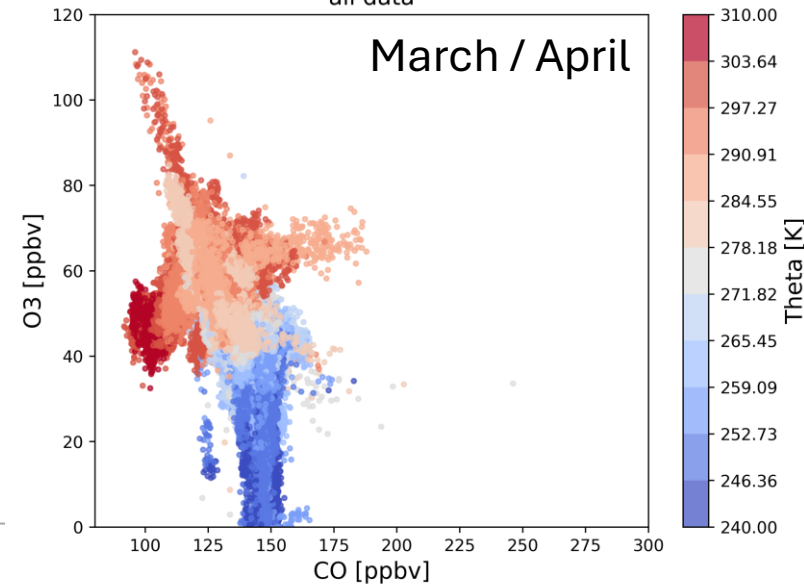
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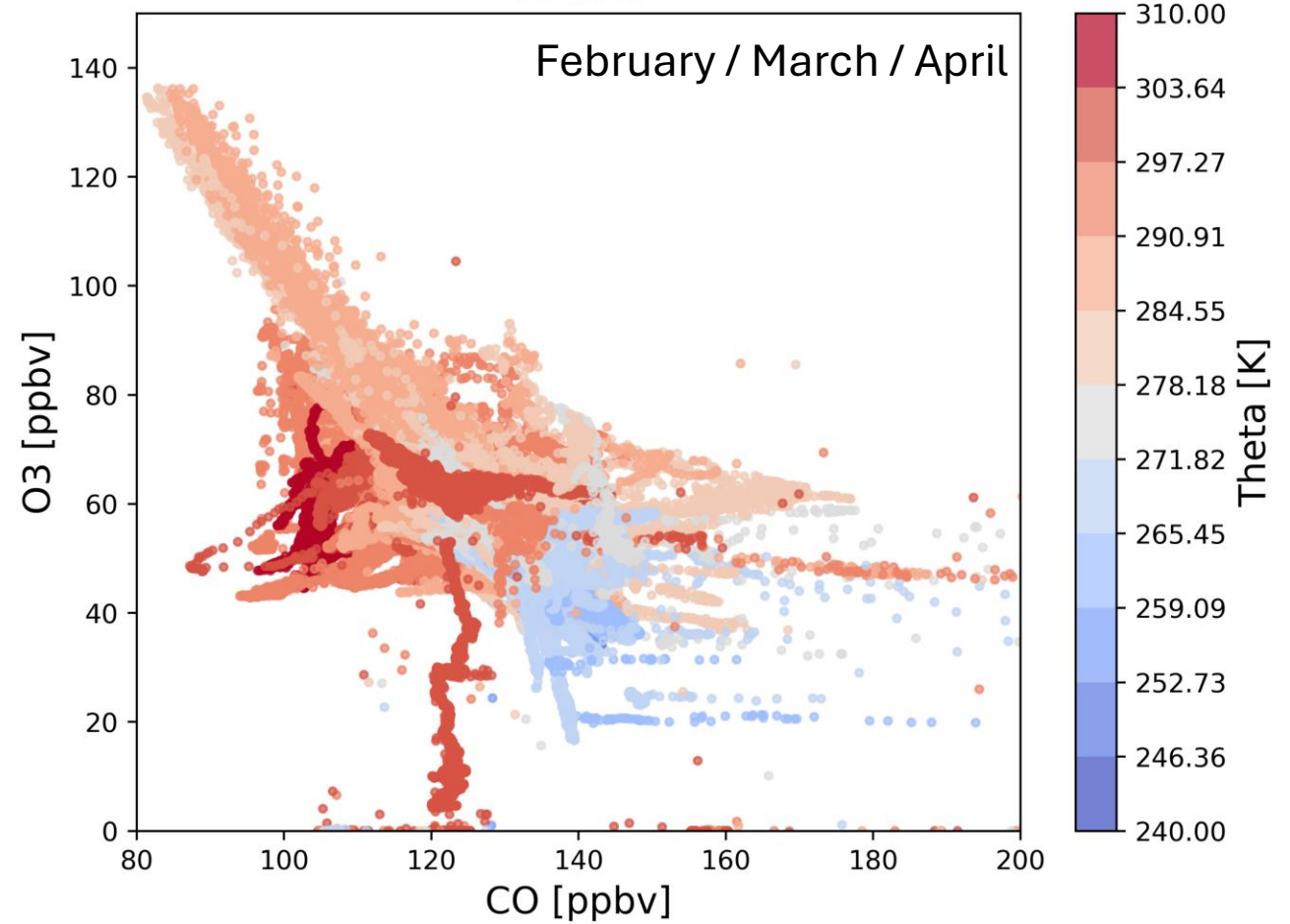
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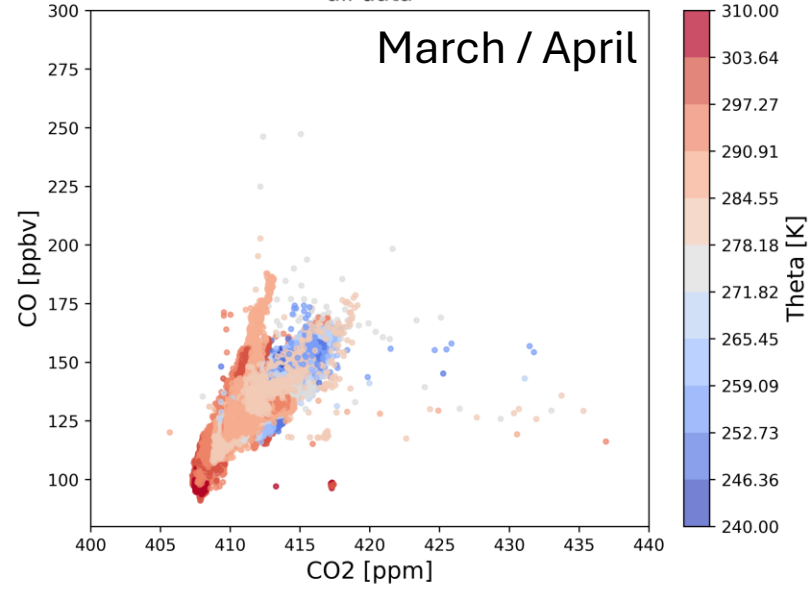
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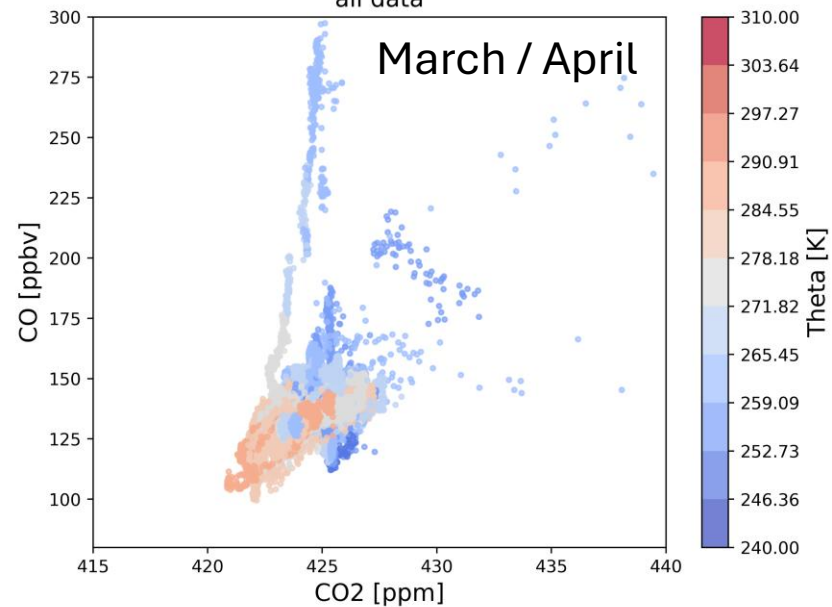
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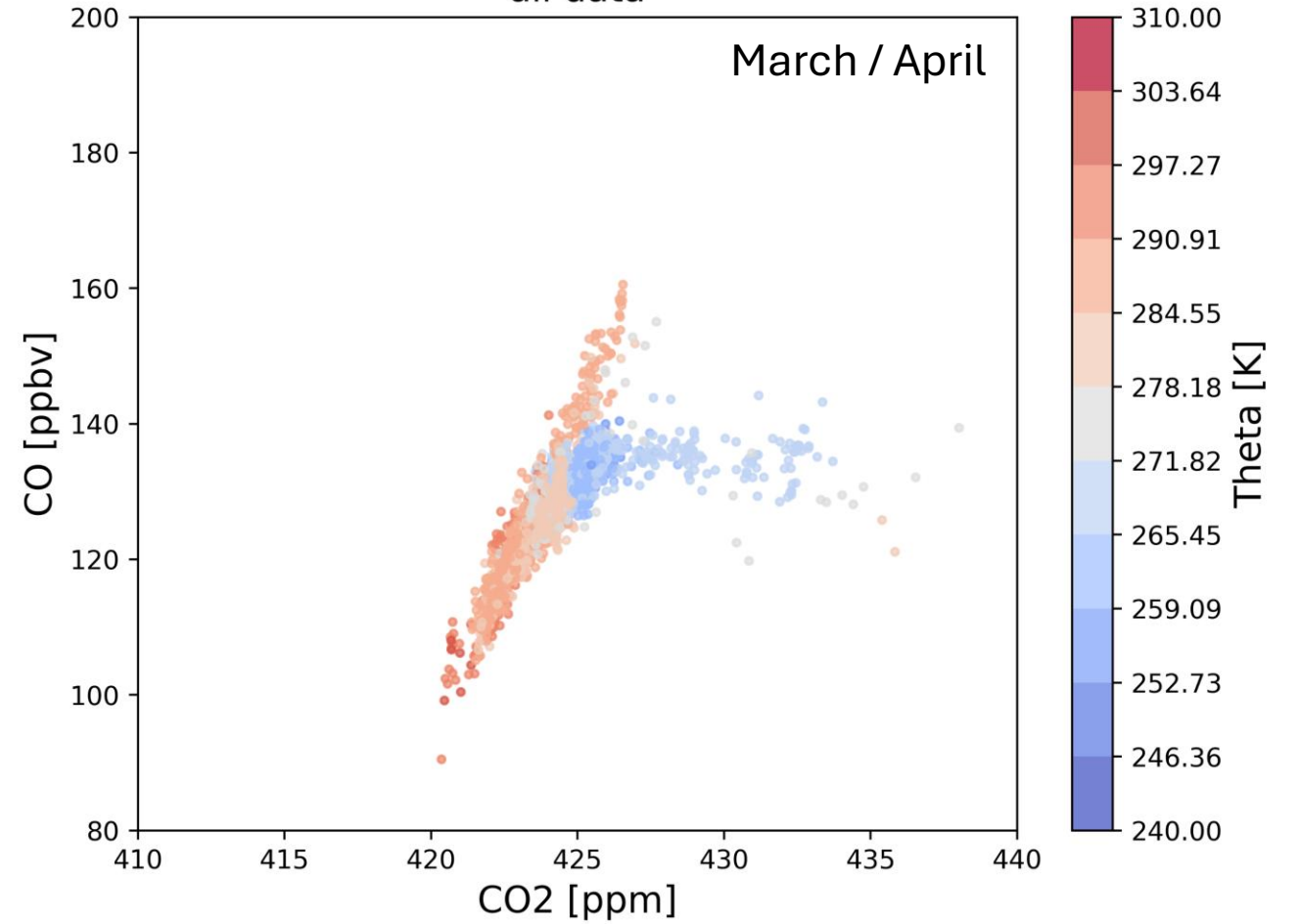
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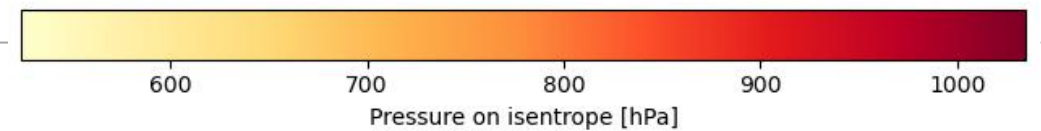
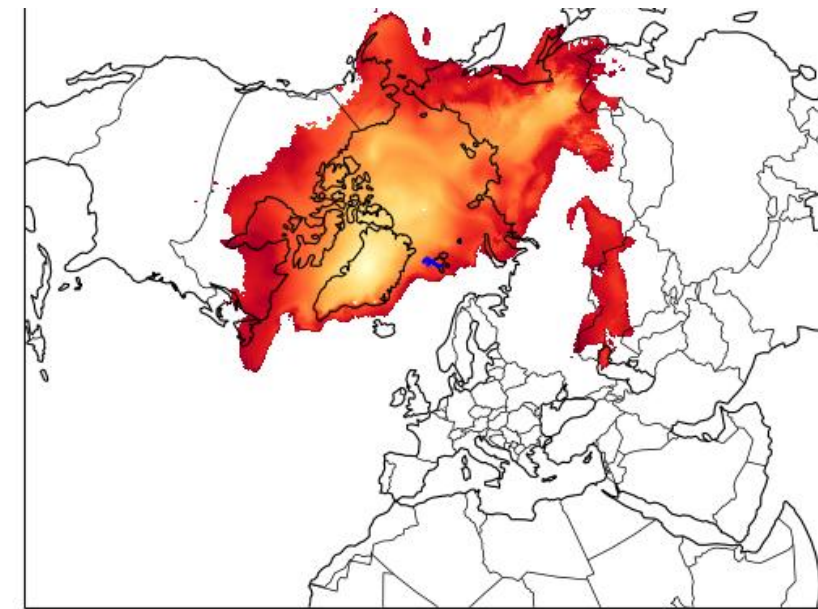
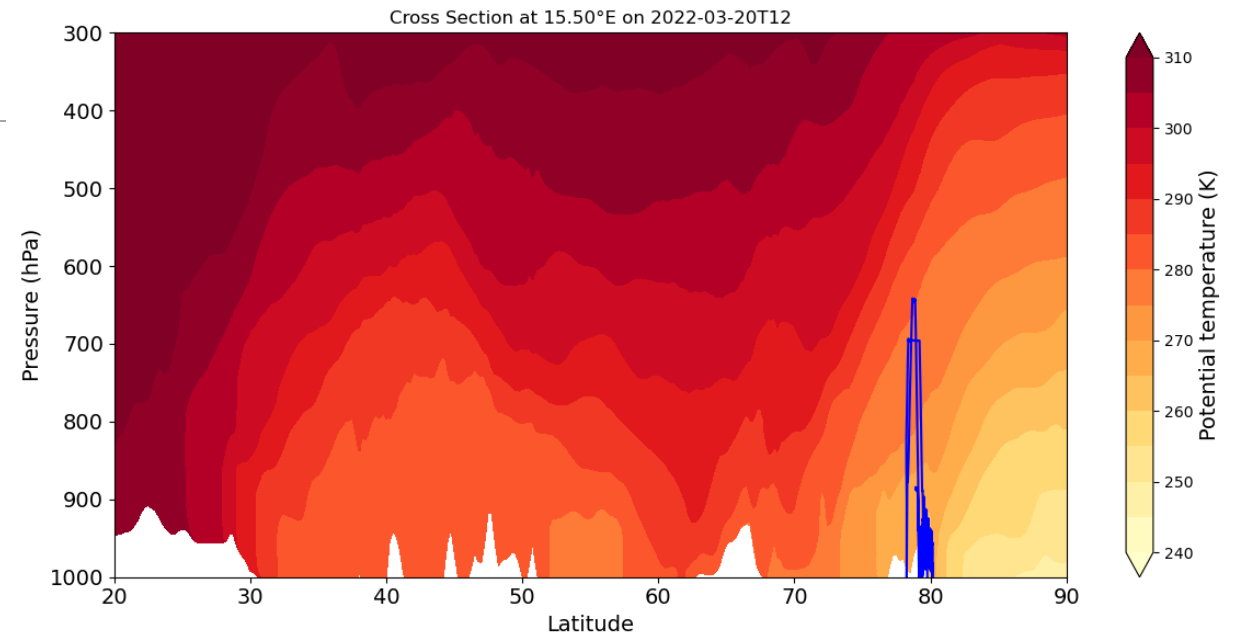
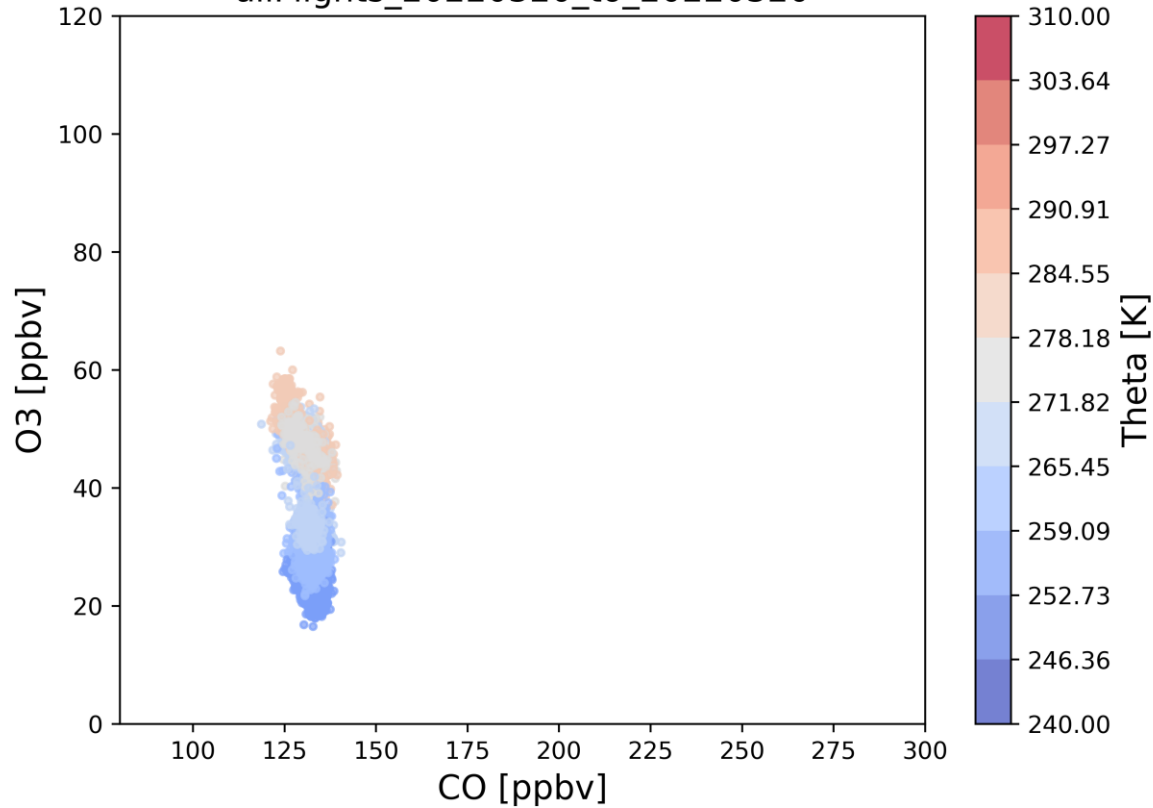
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Correlation analysis

Individual flight

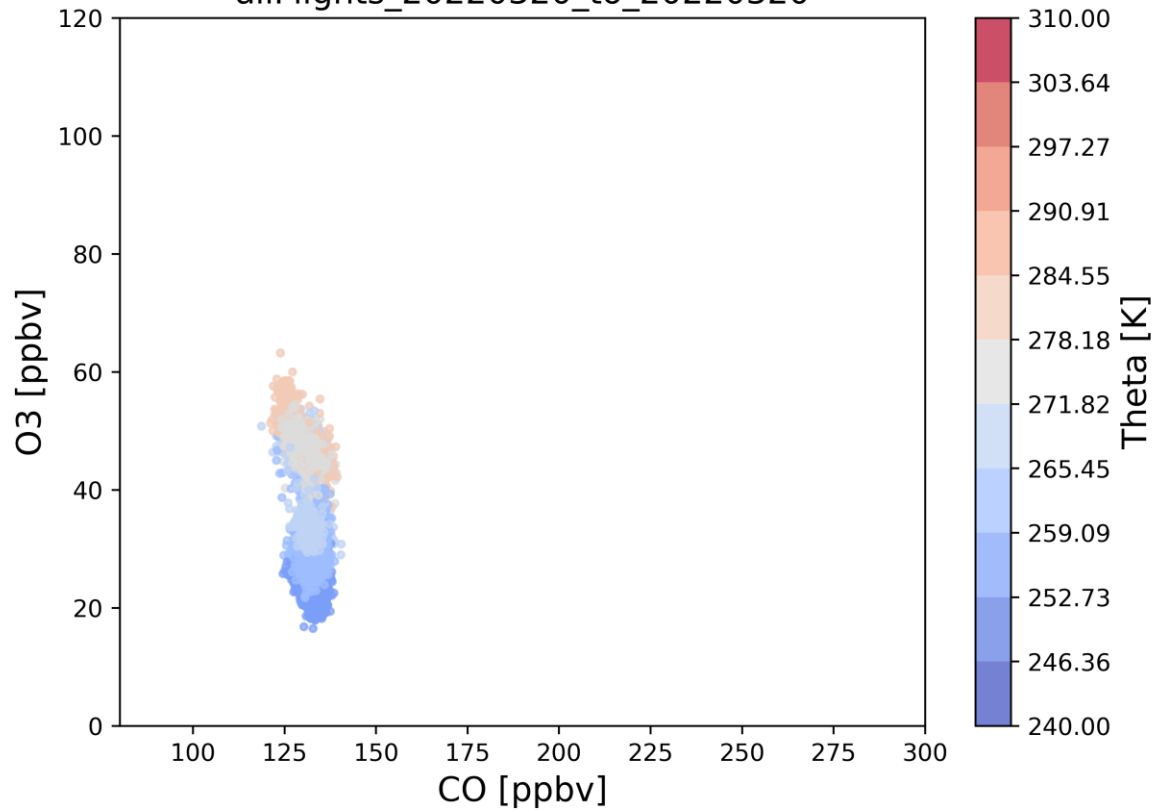
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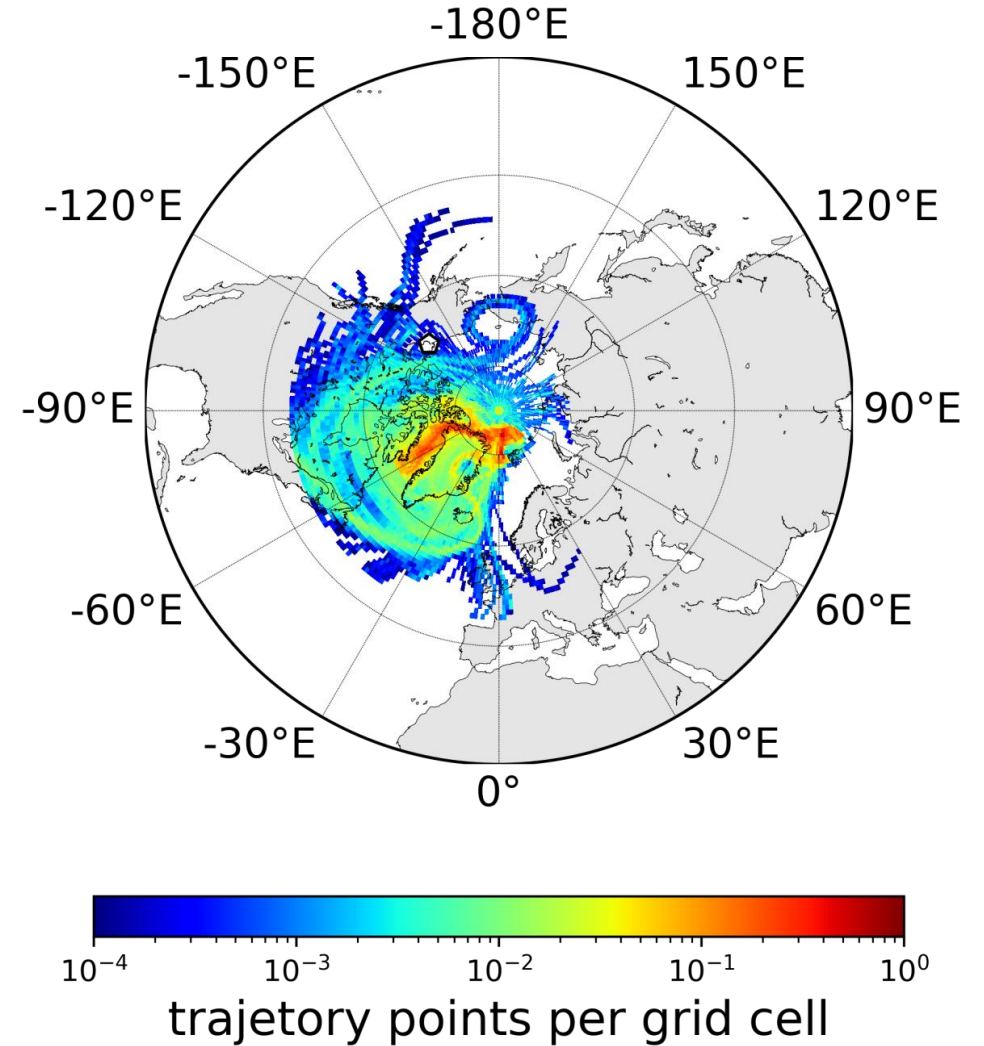


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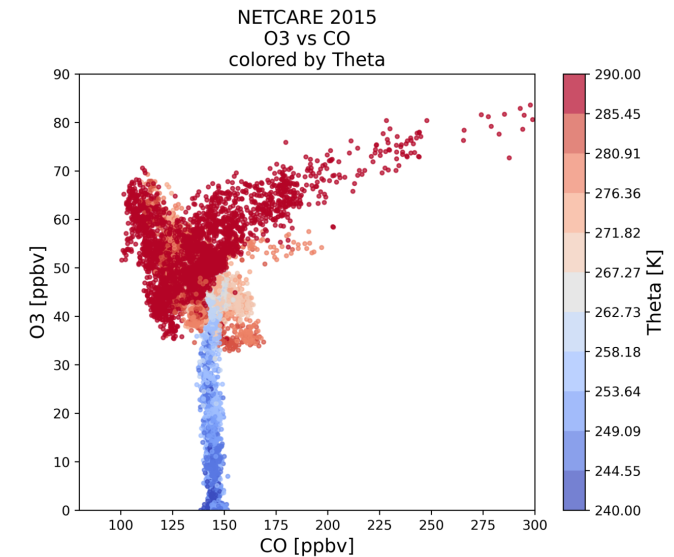
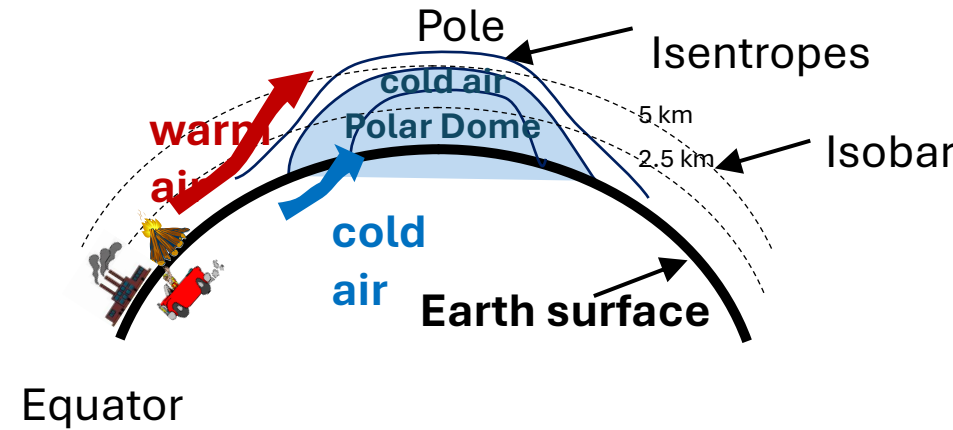


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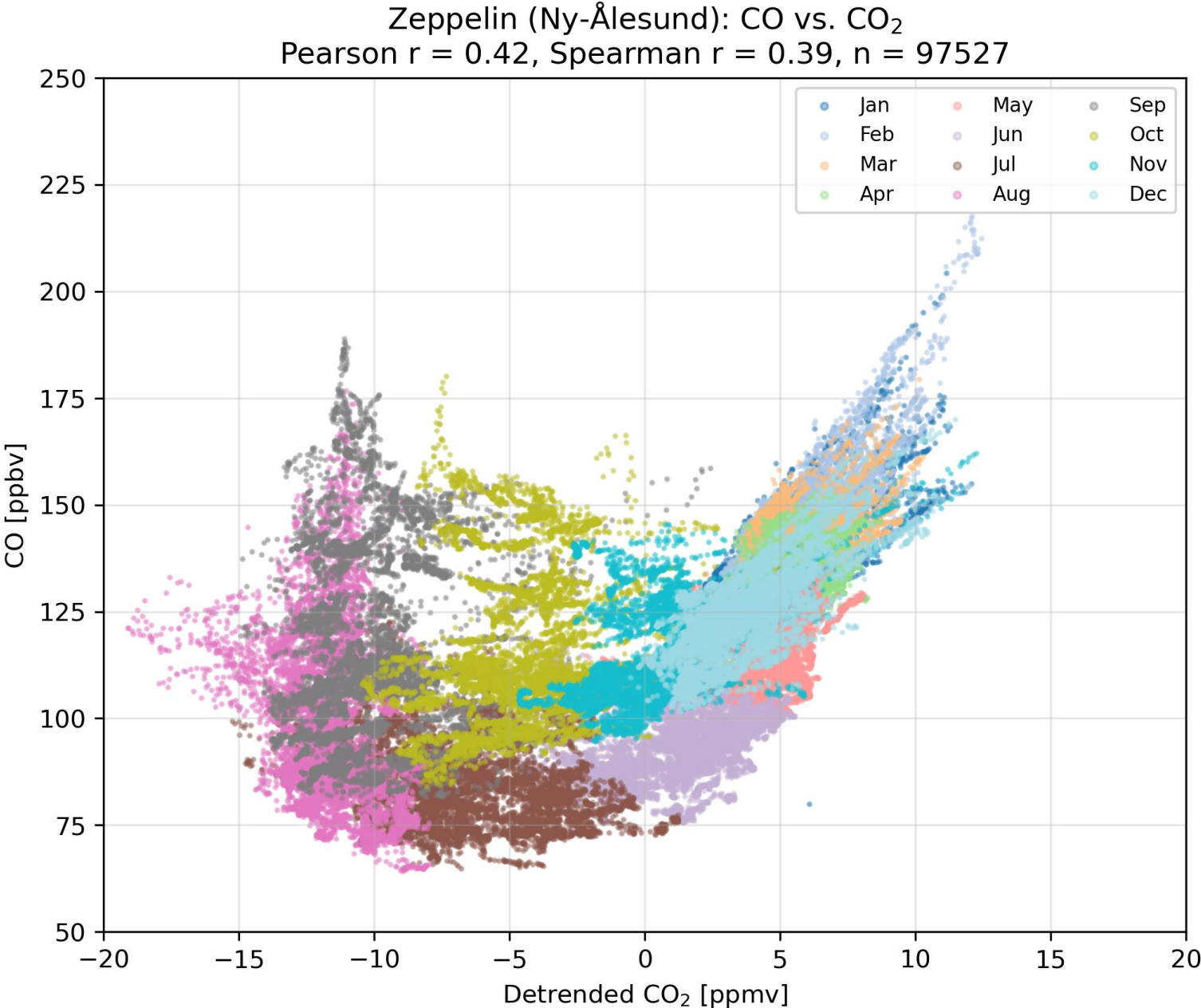


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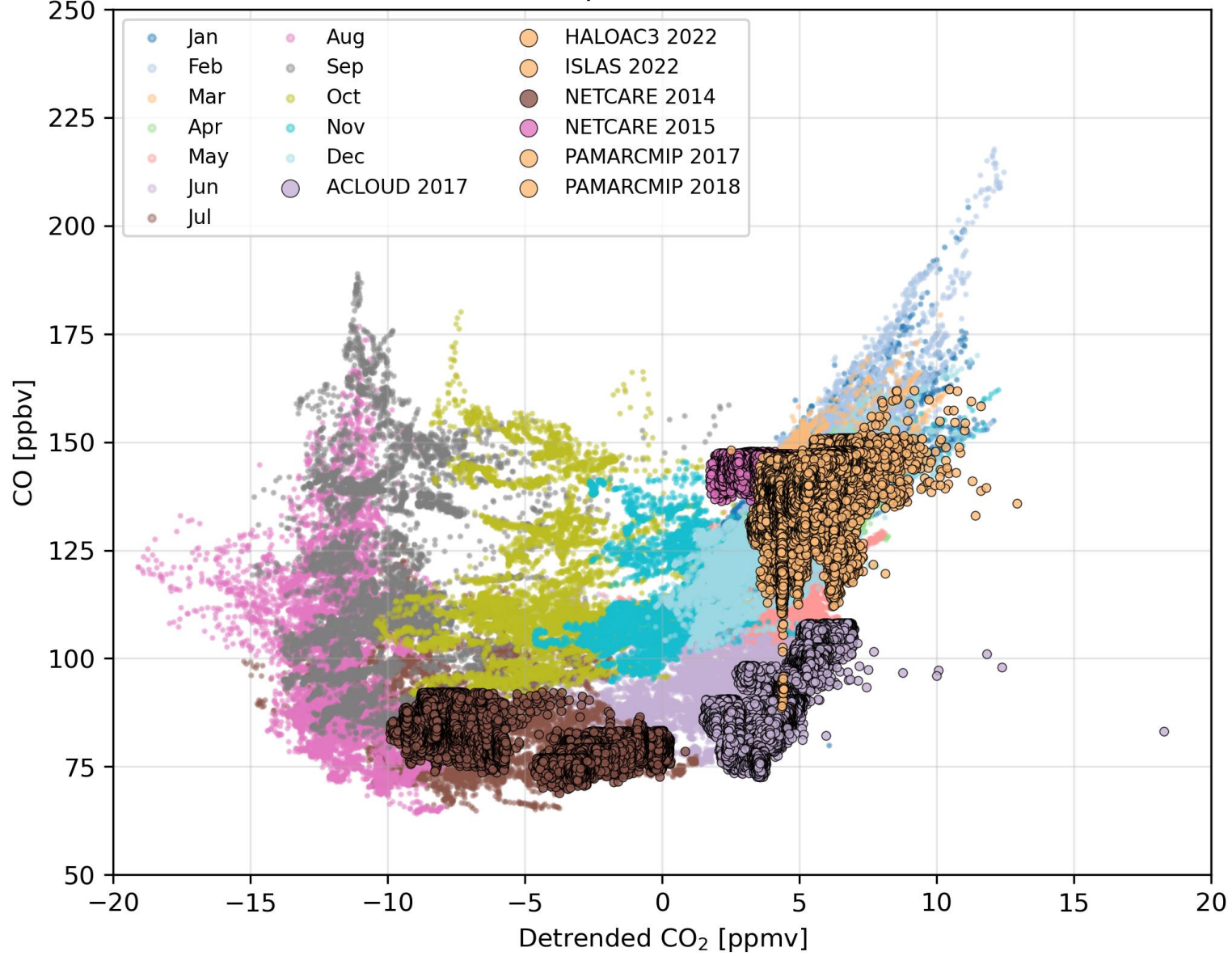


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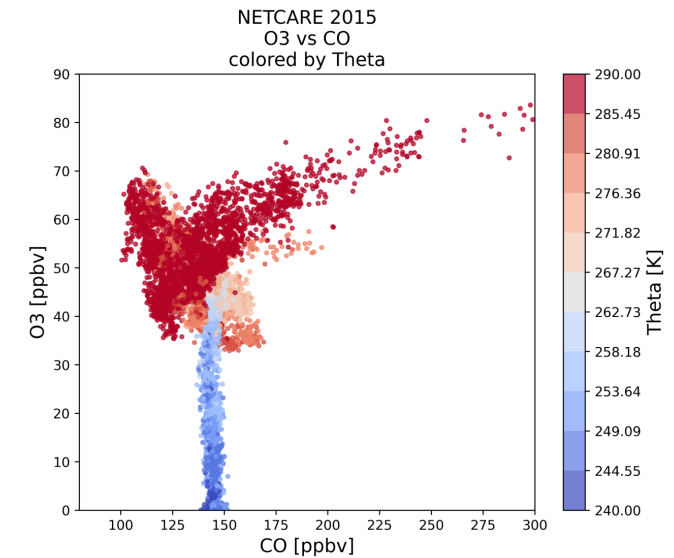
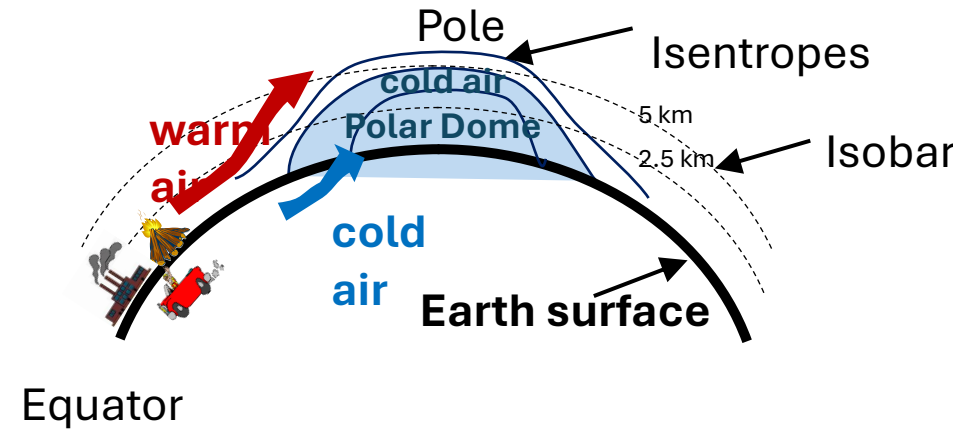
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Zeppelin (Ny-Ålesund): CO vs. CO₂
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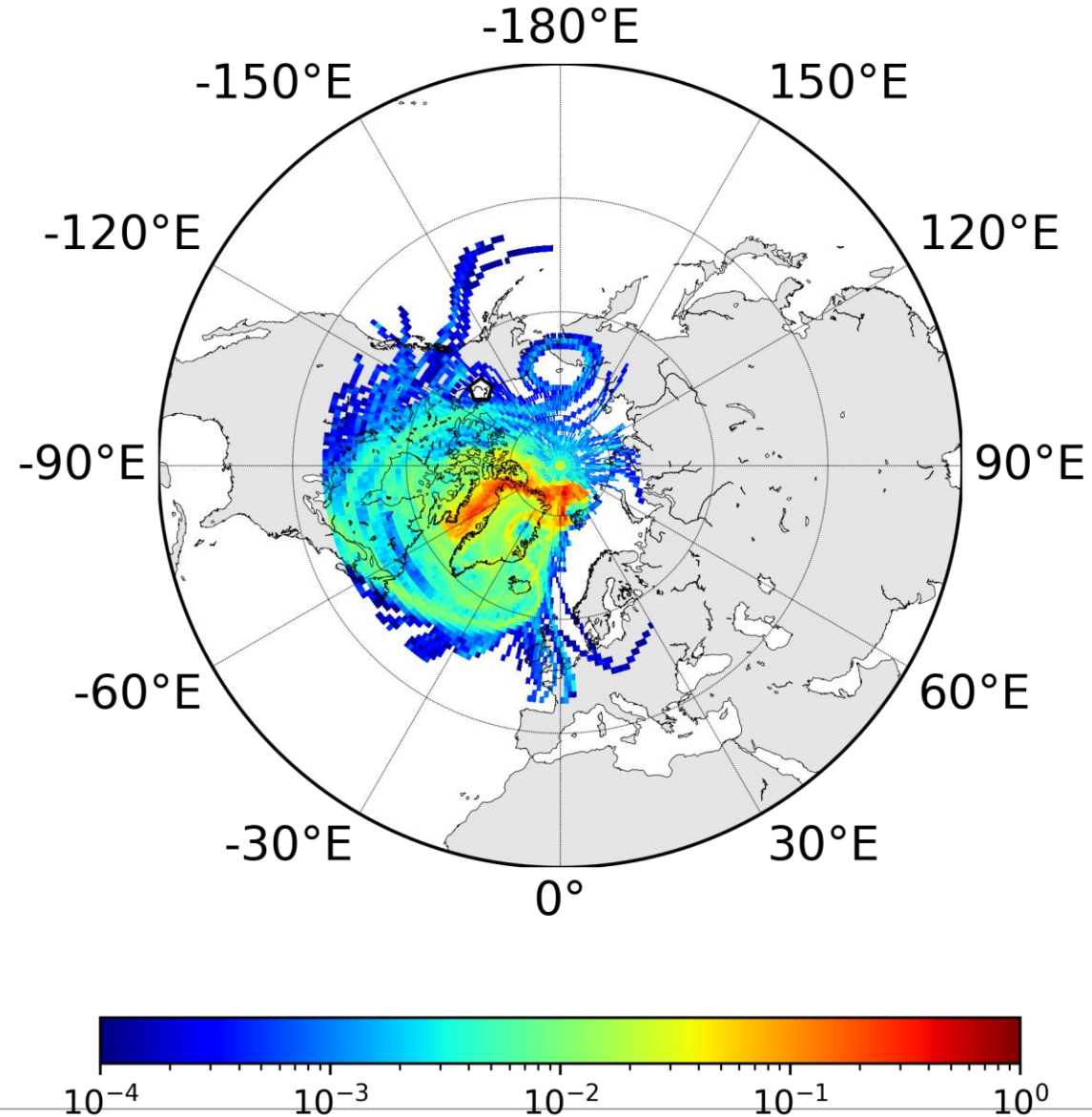


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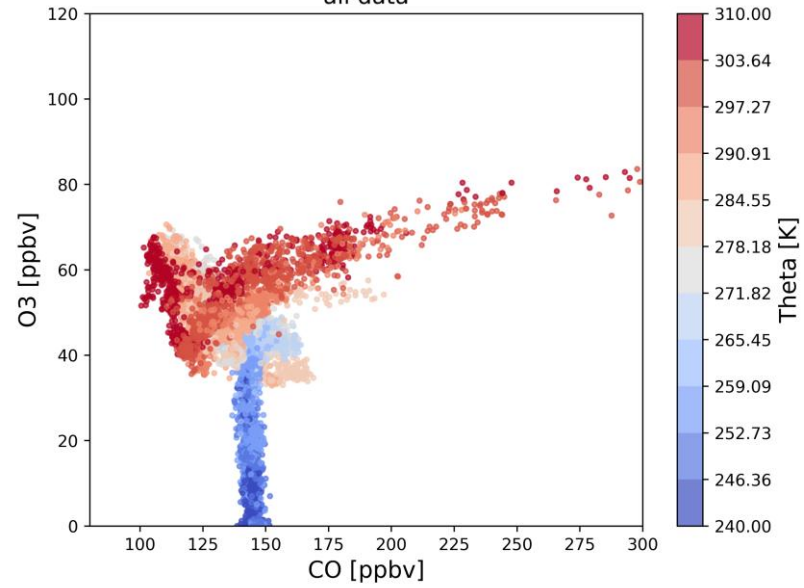
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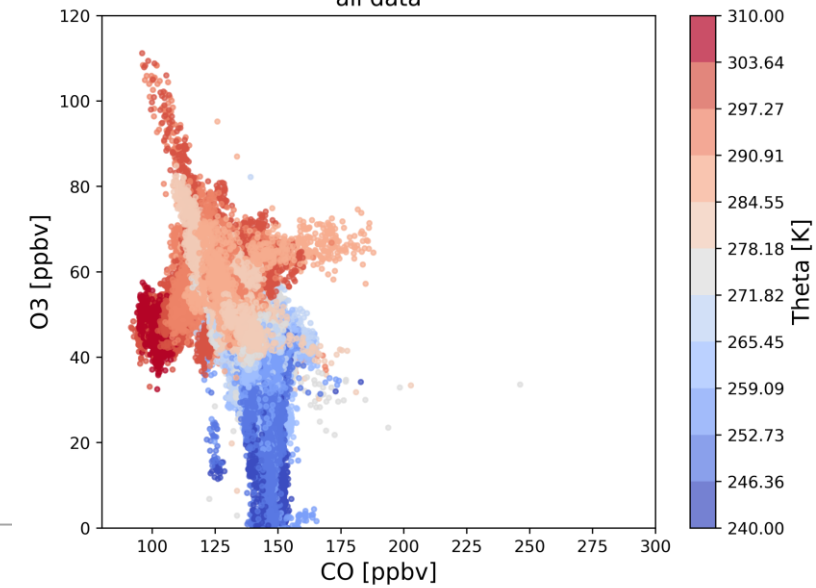
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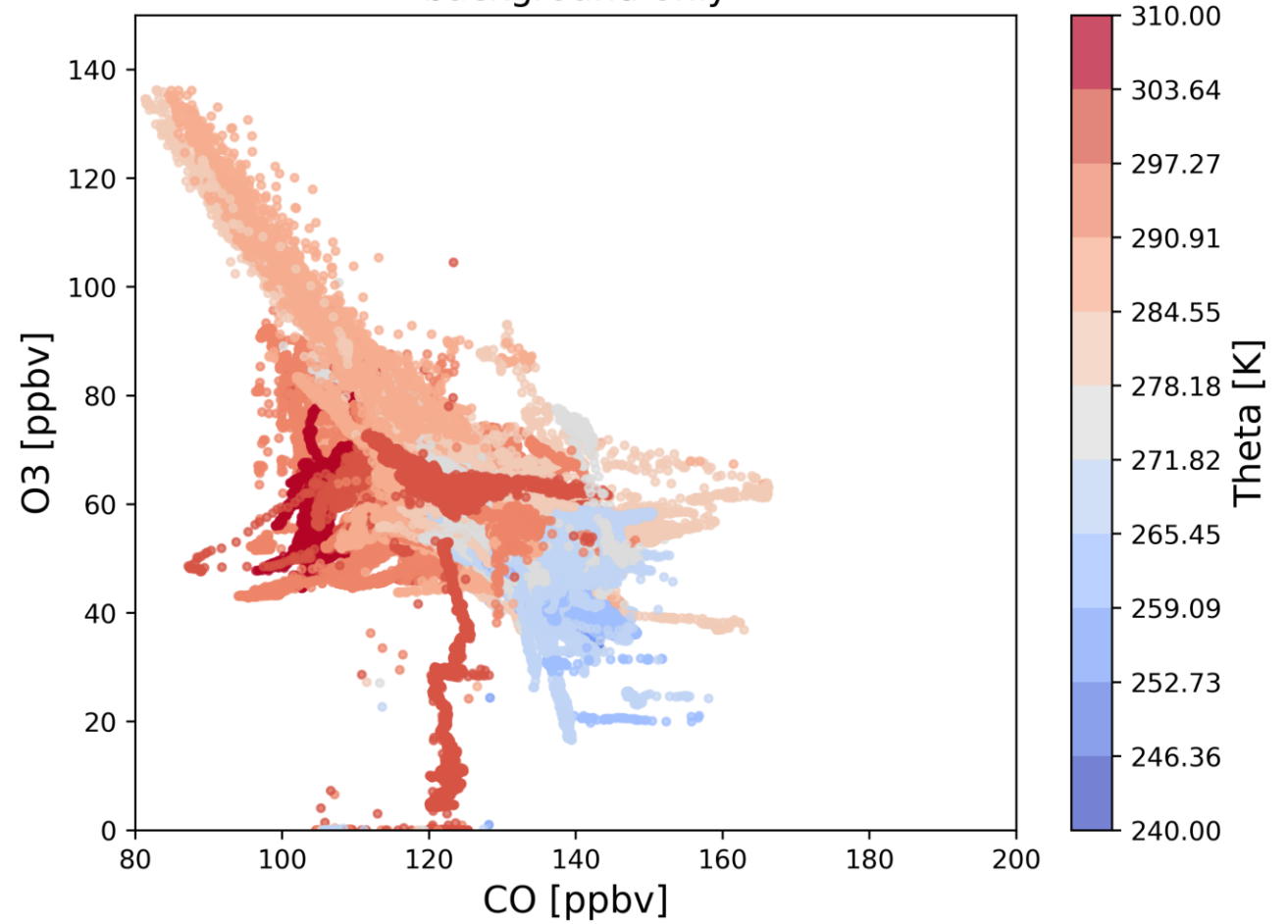
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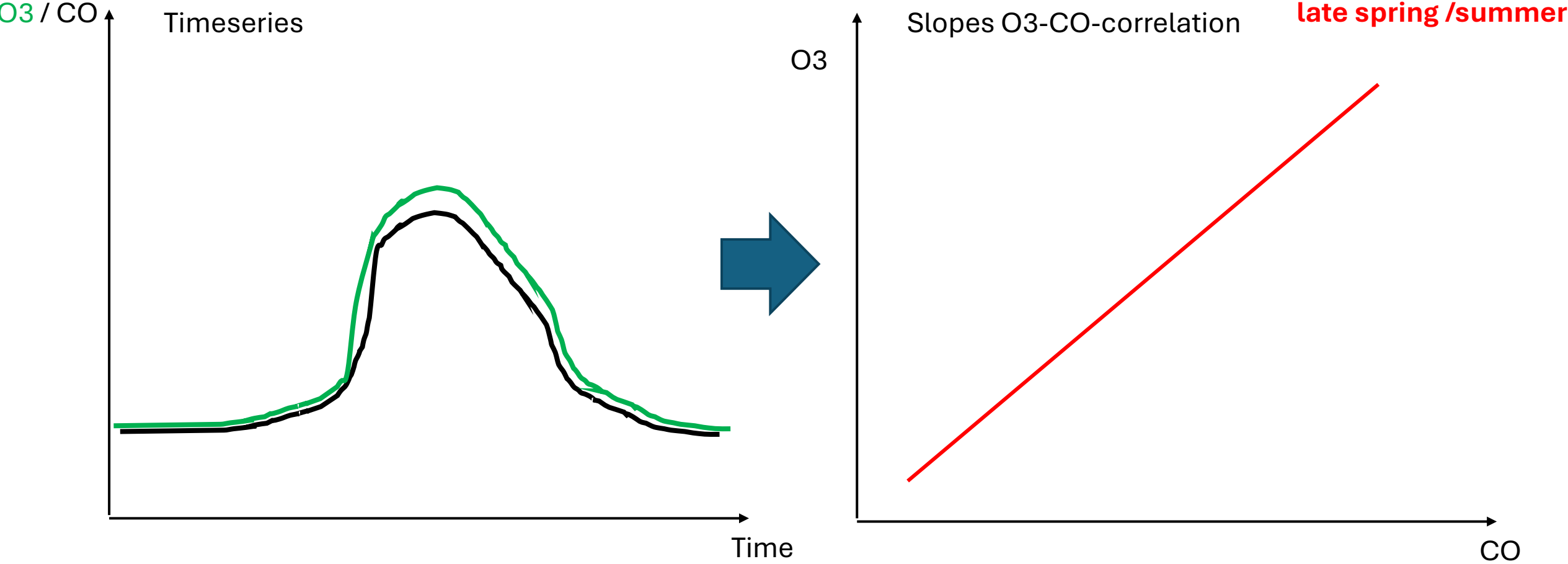


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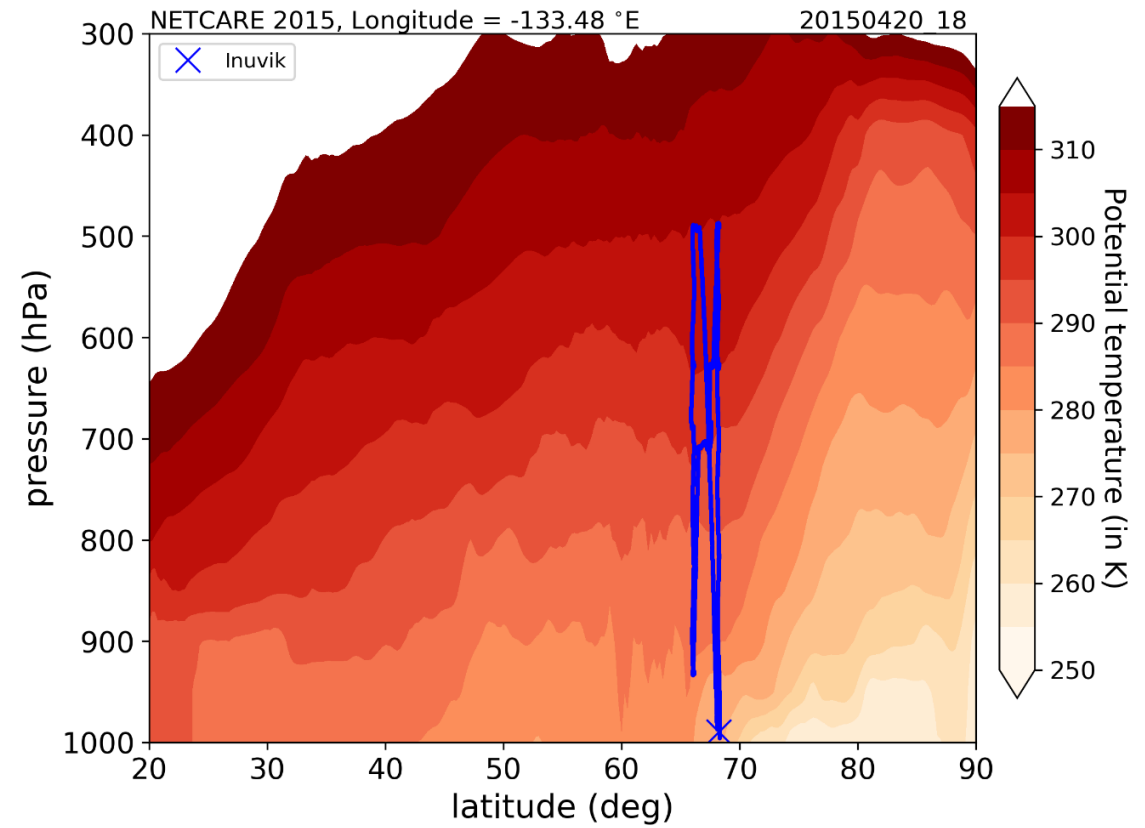
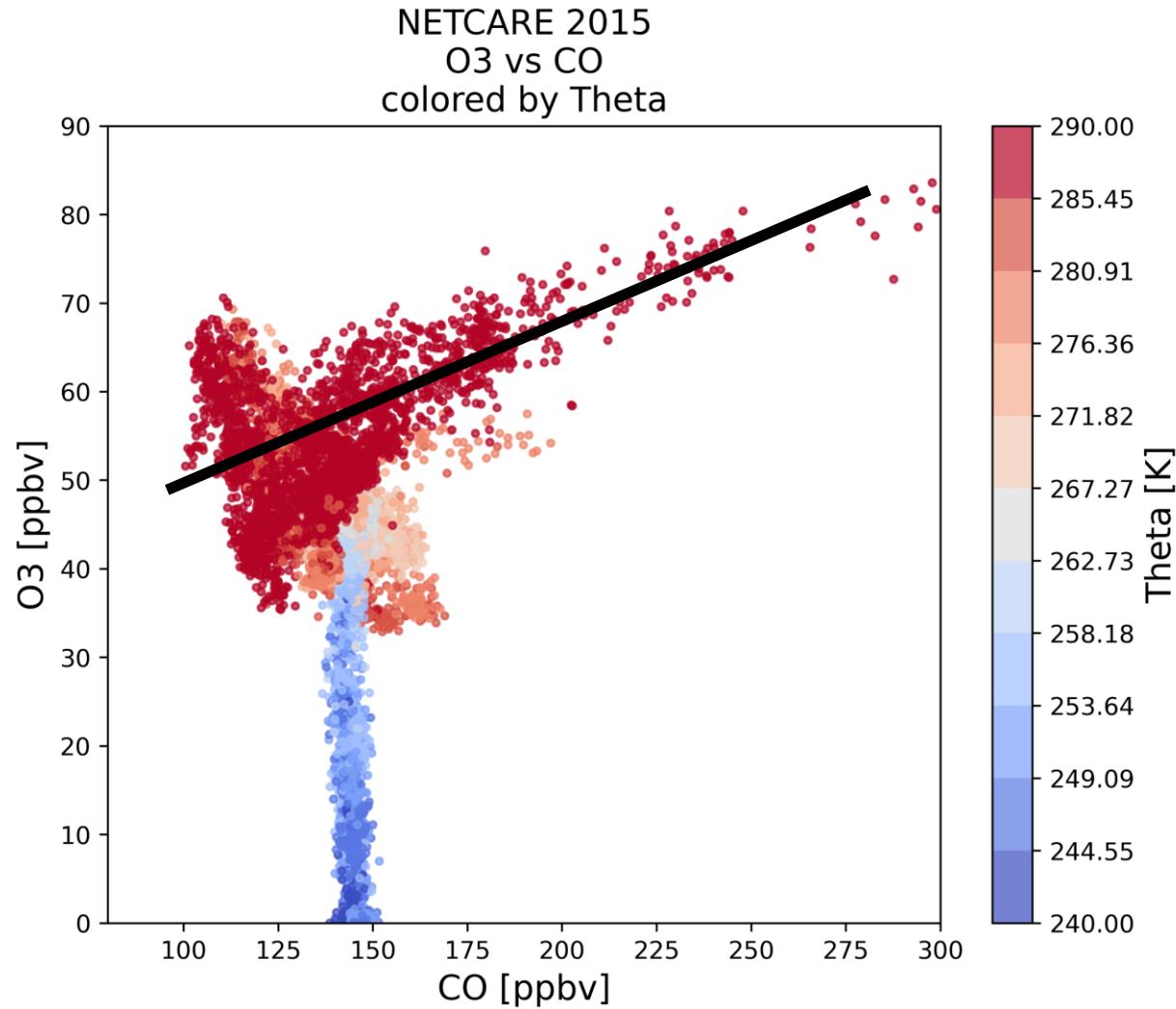


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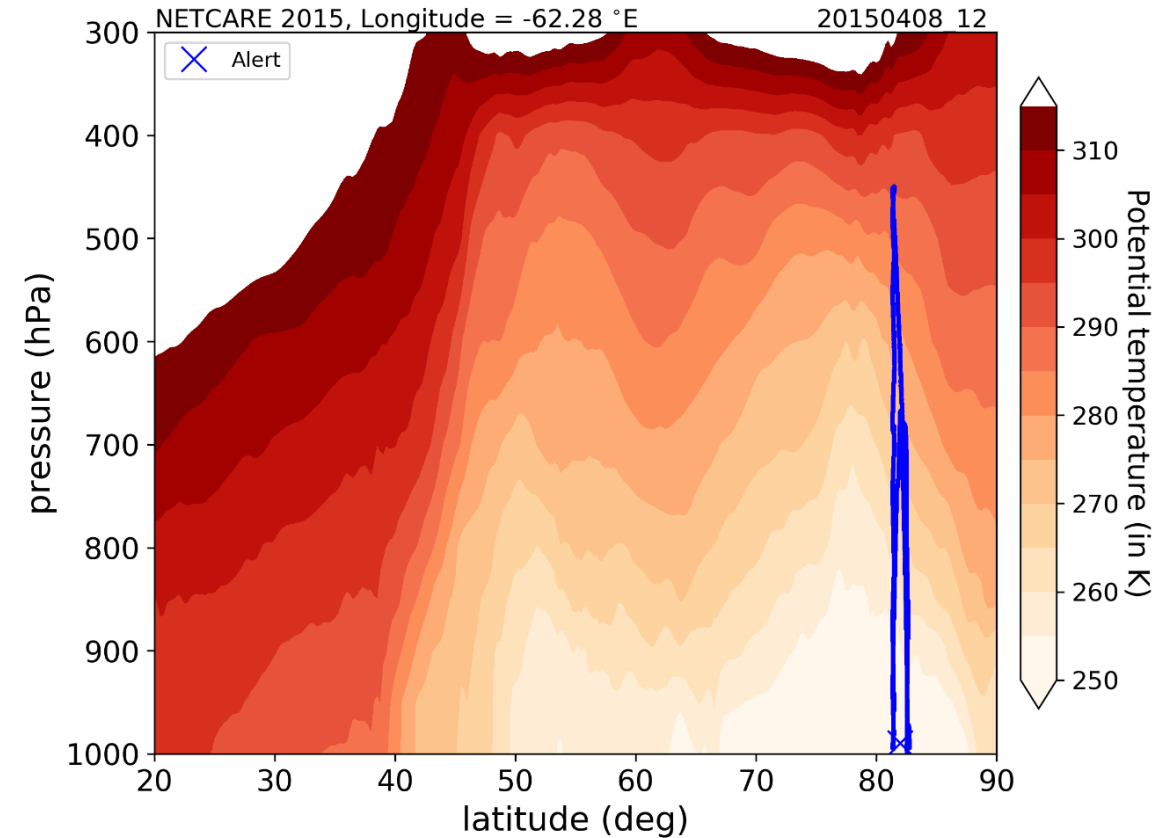
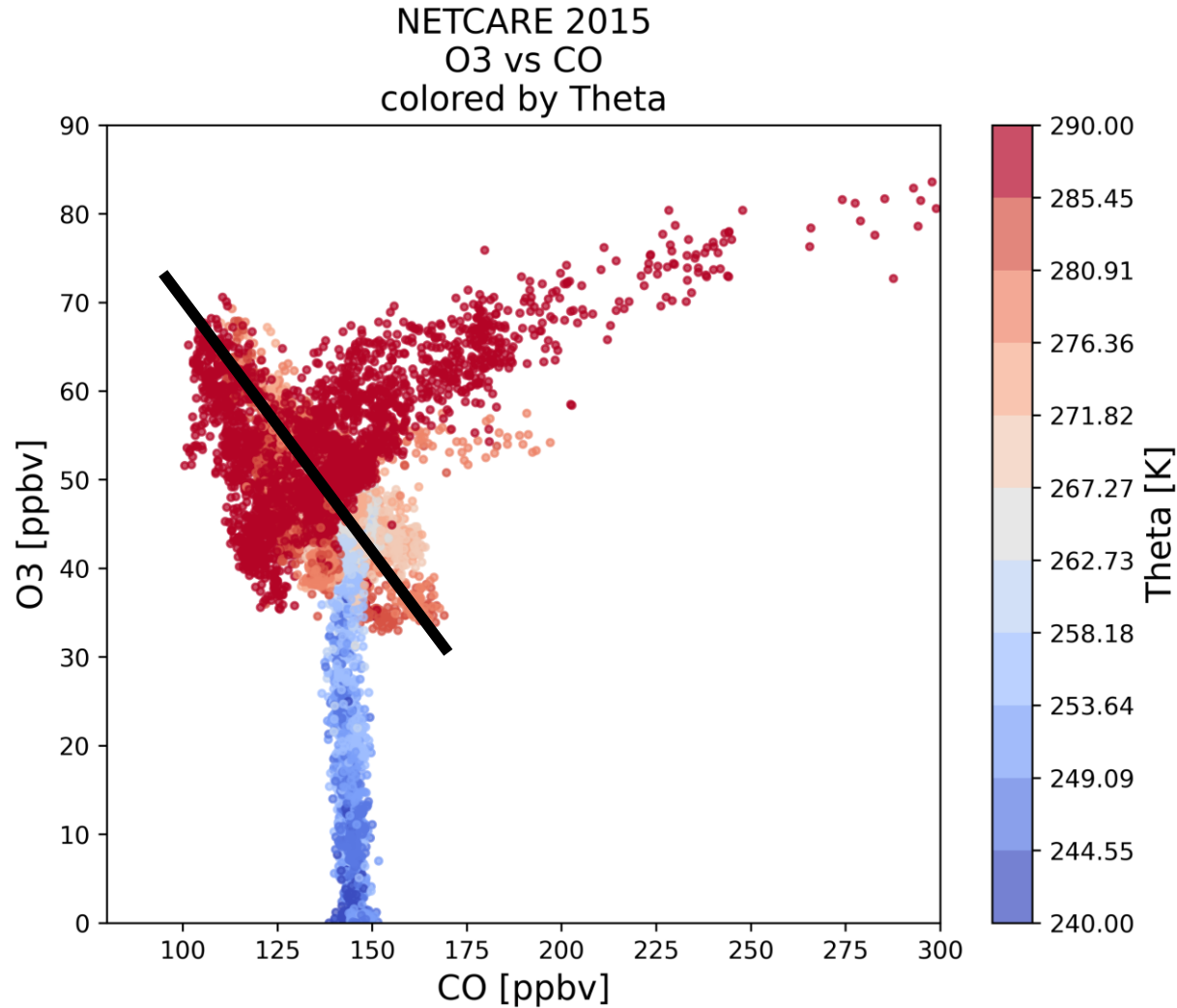


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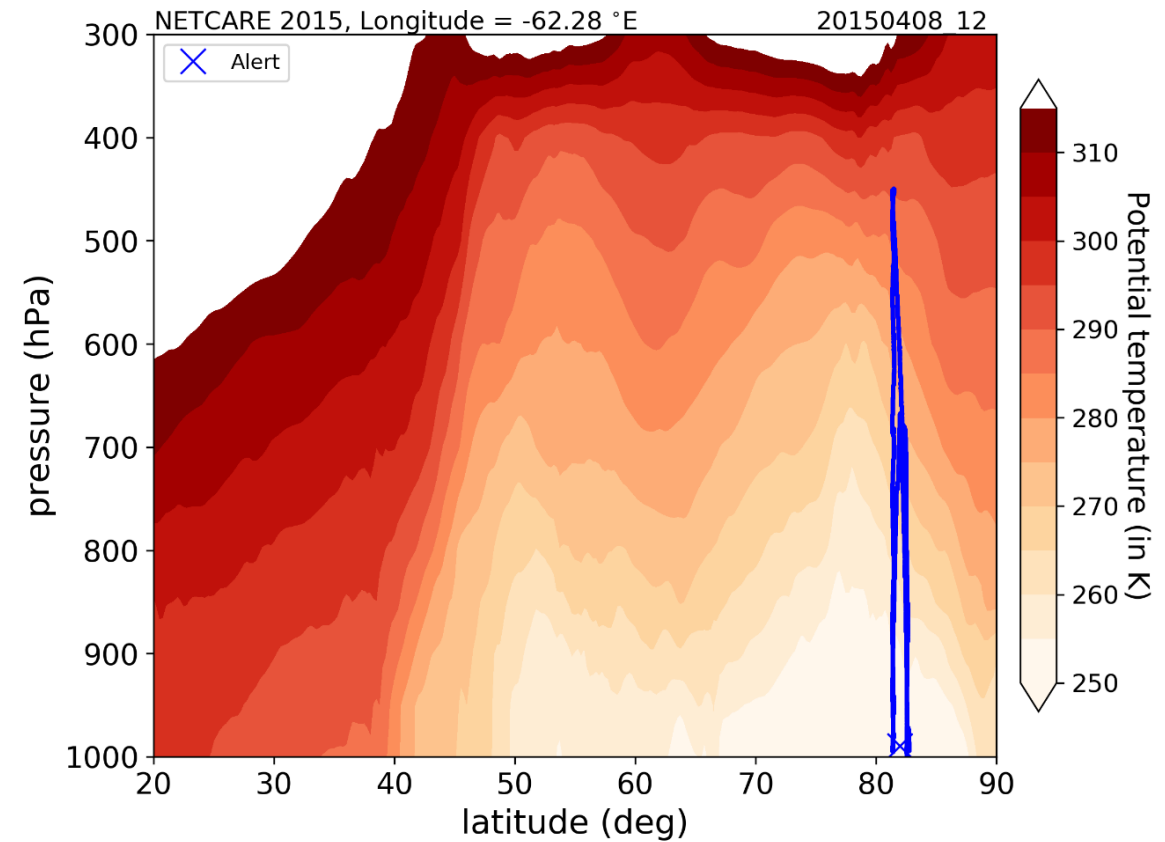
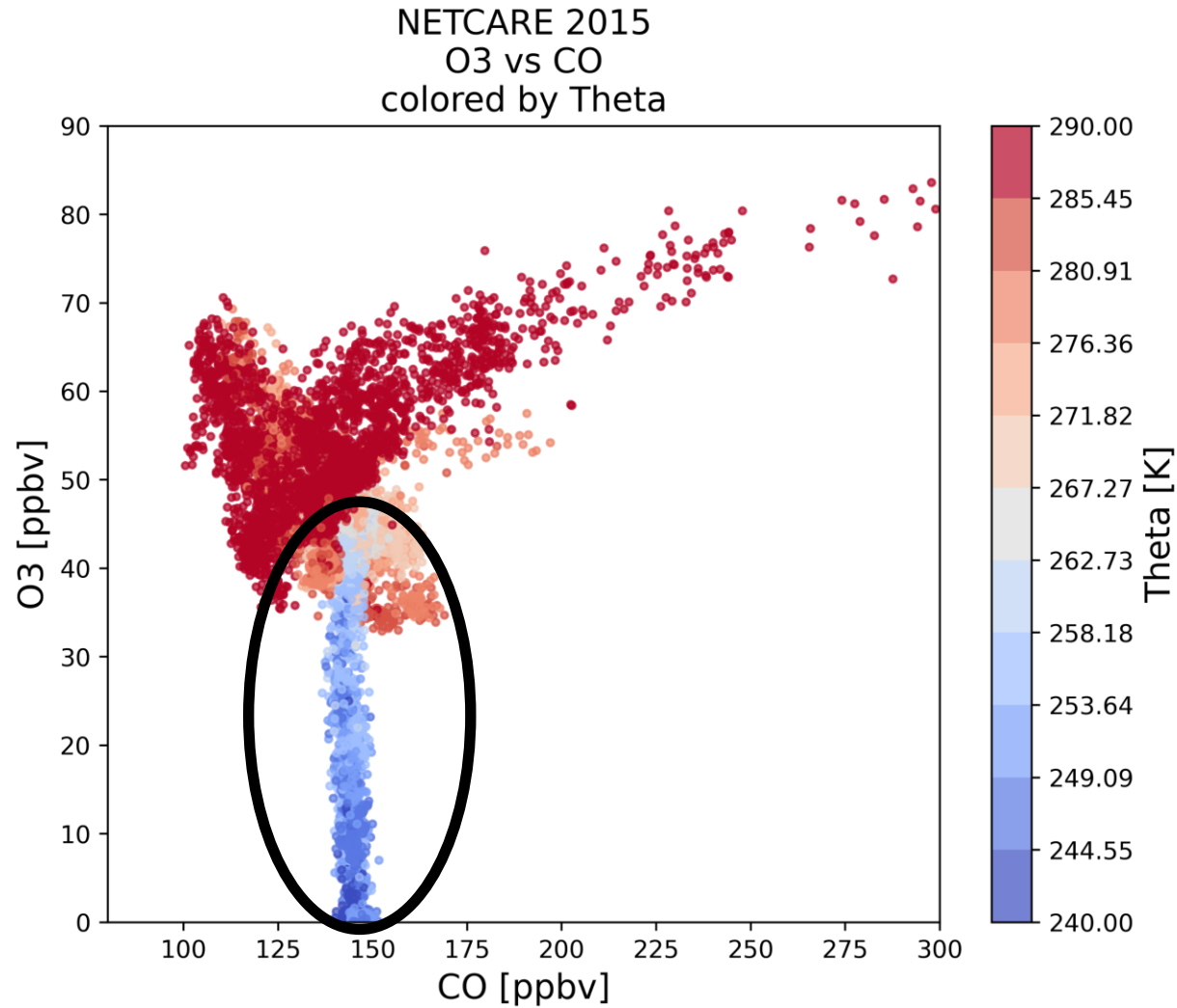


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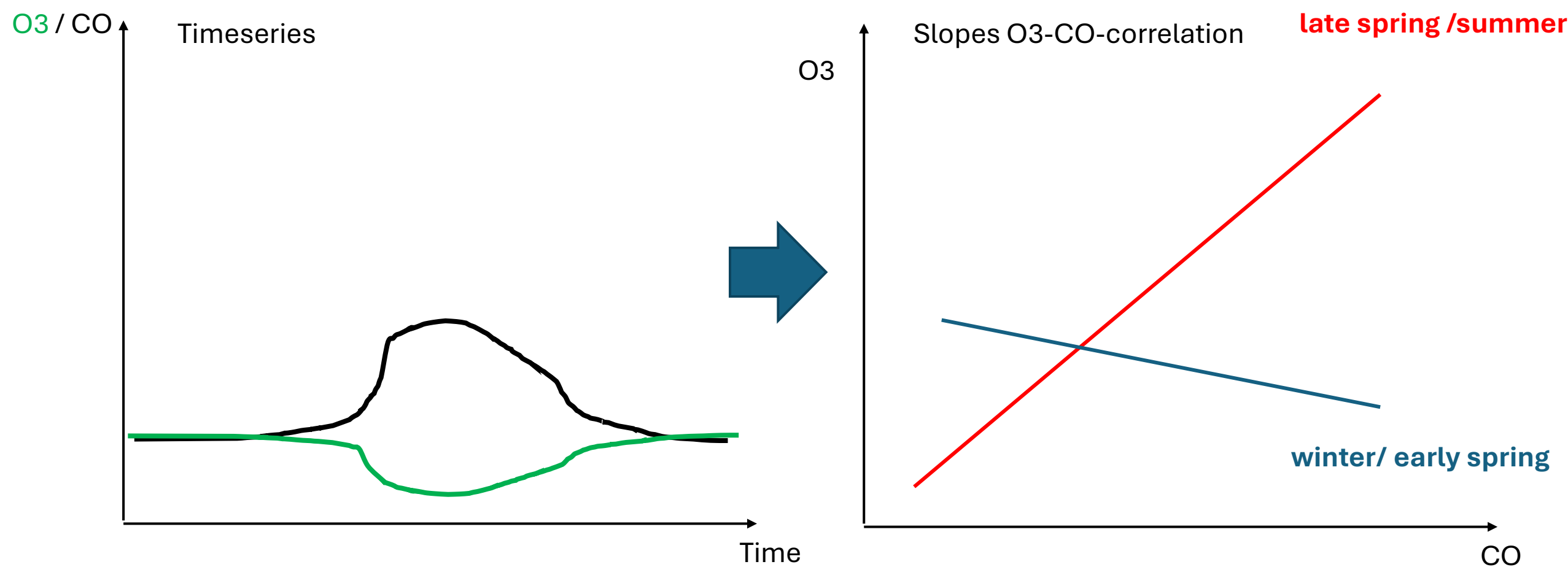


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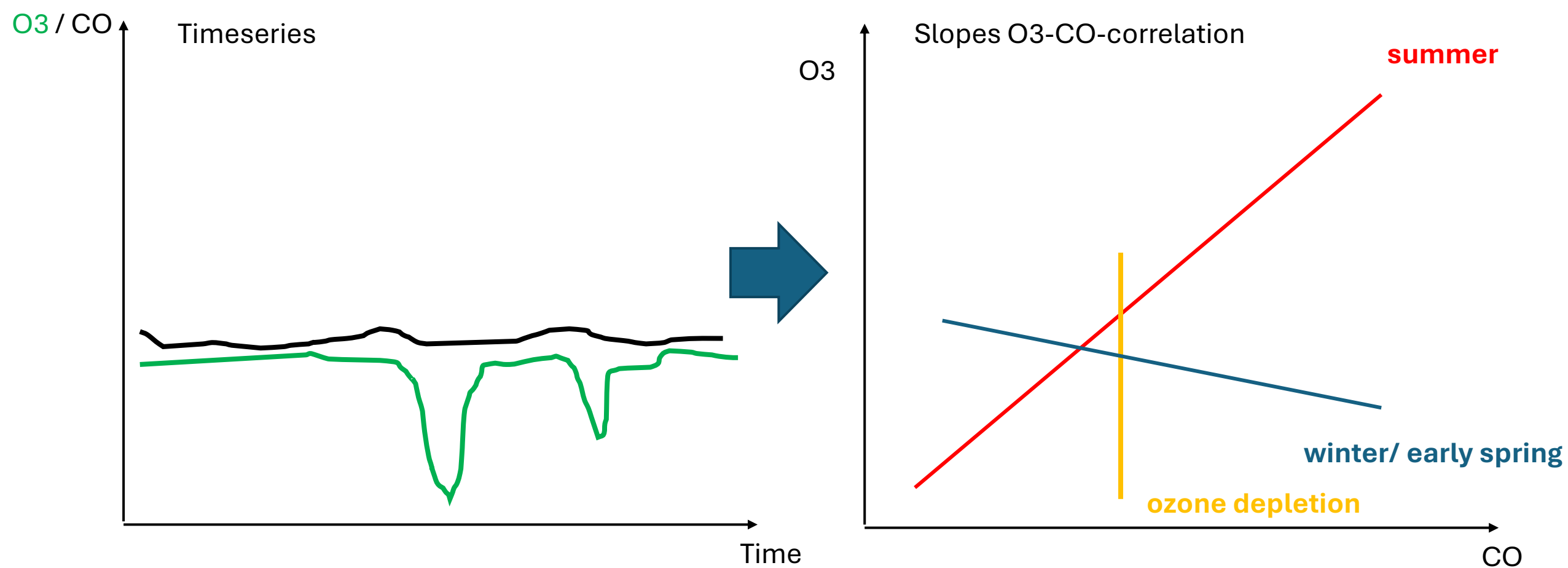


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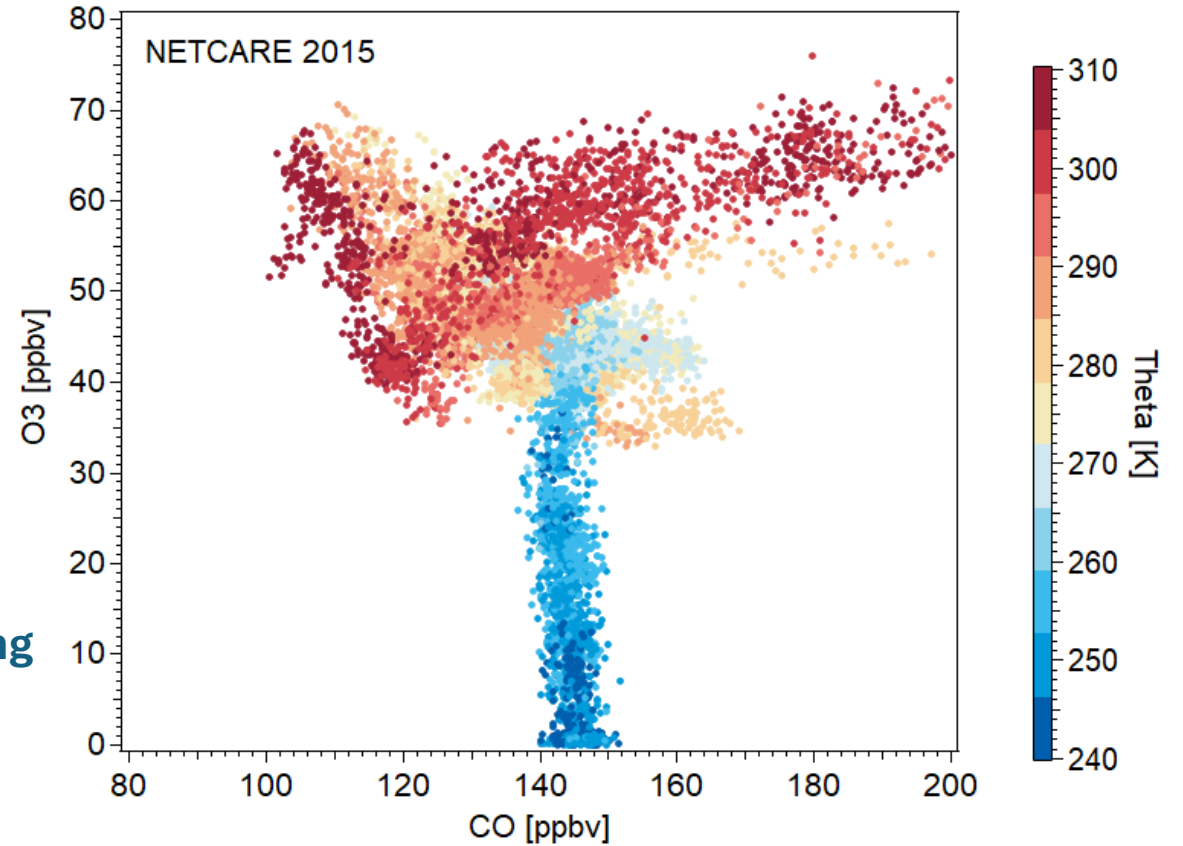
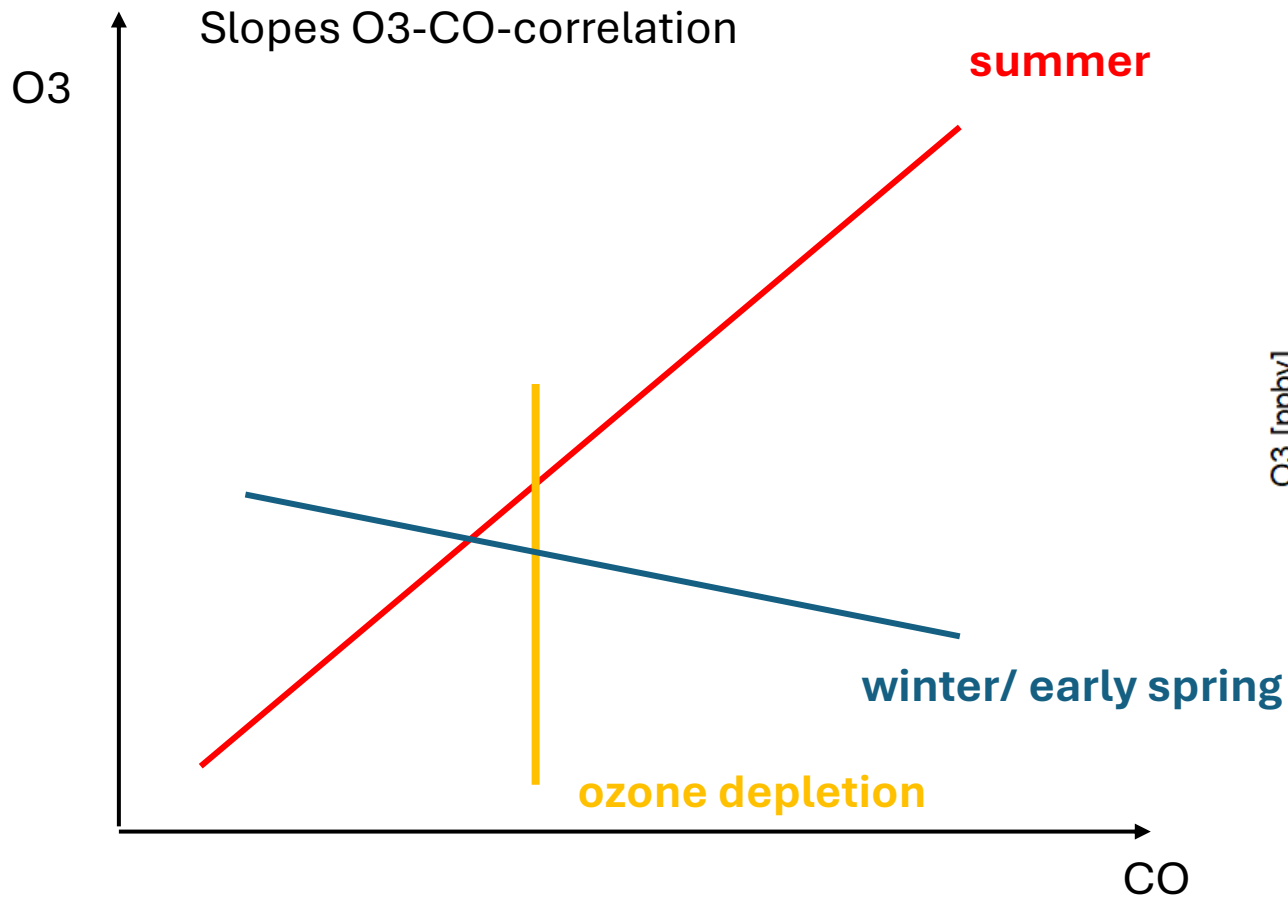
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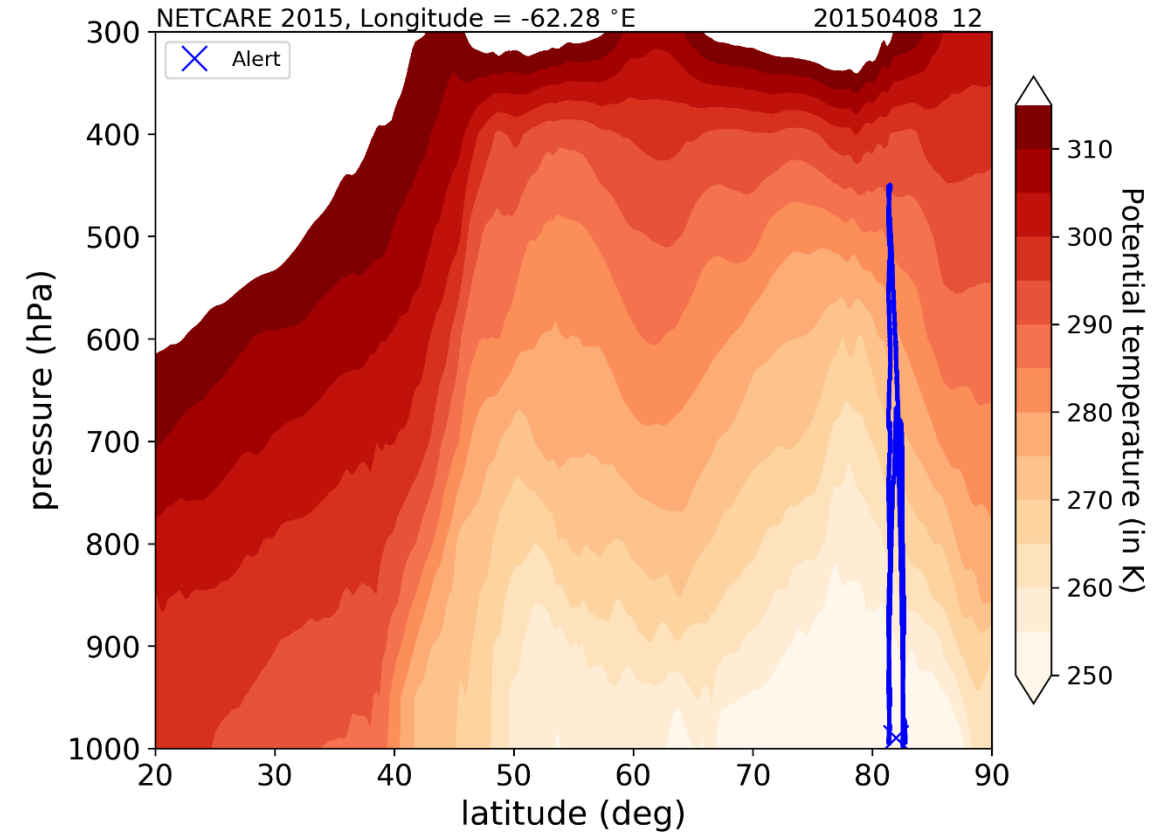
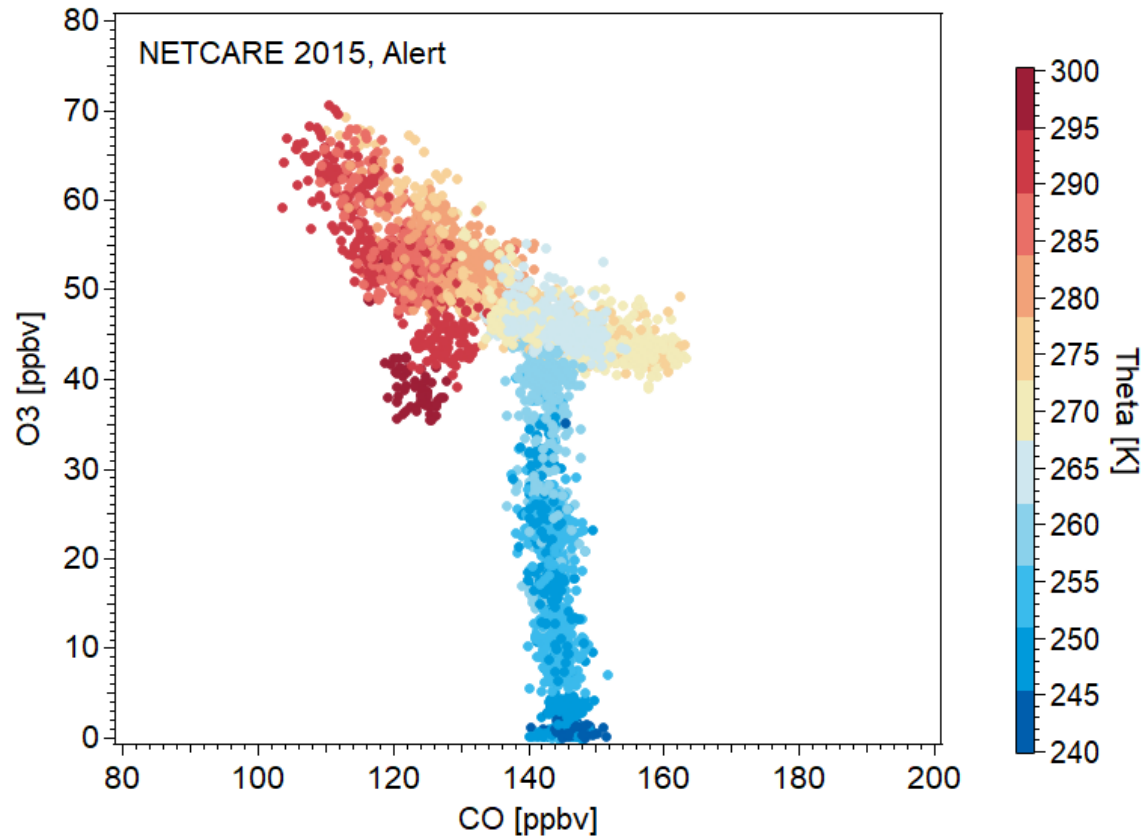


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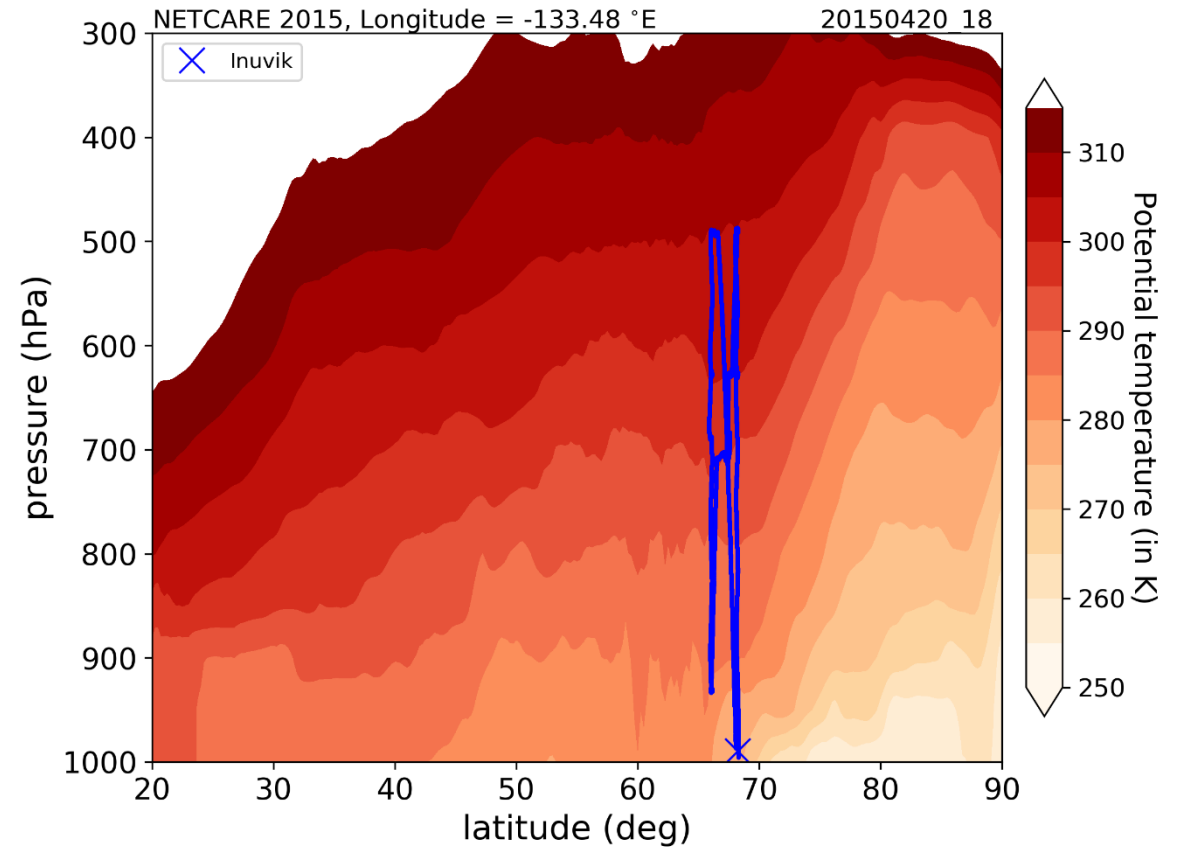
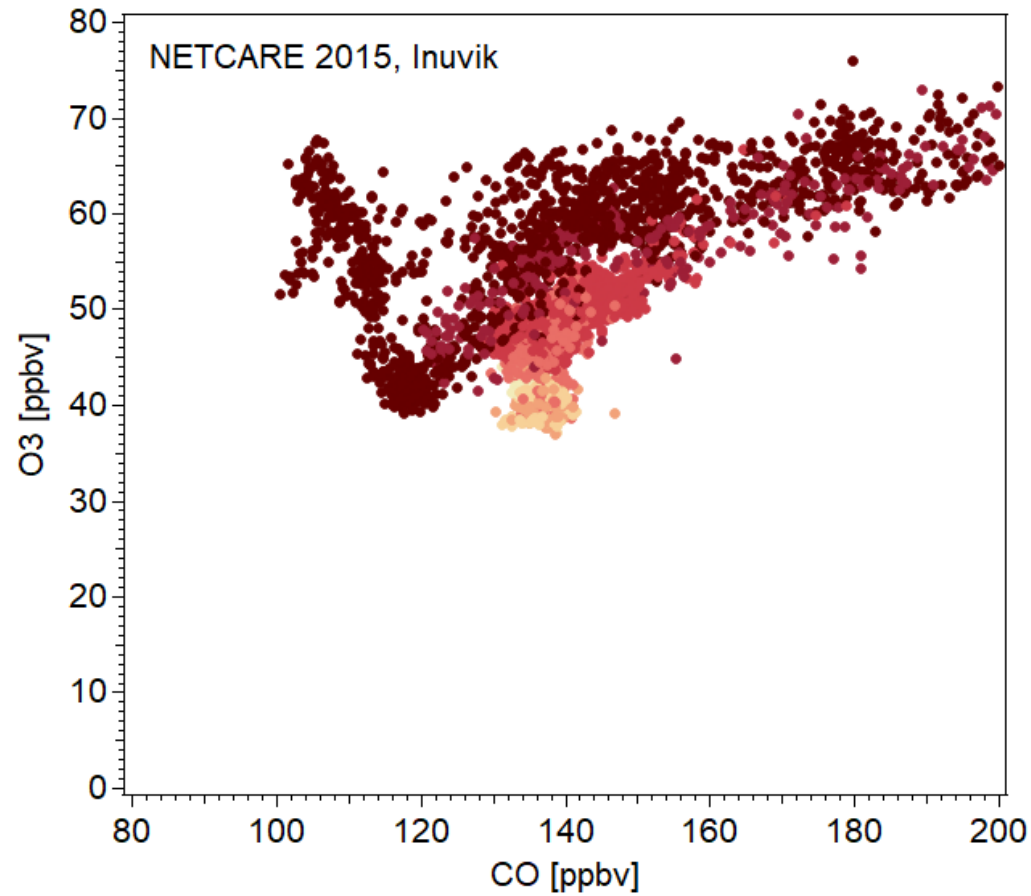


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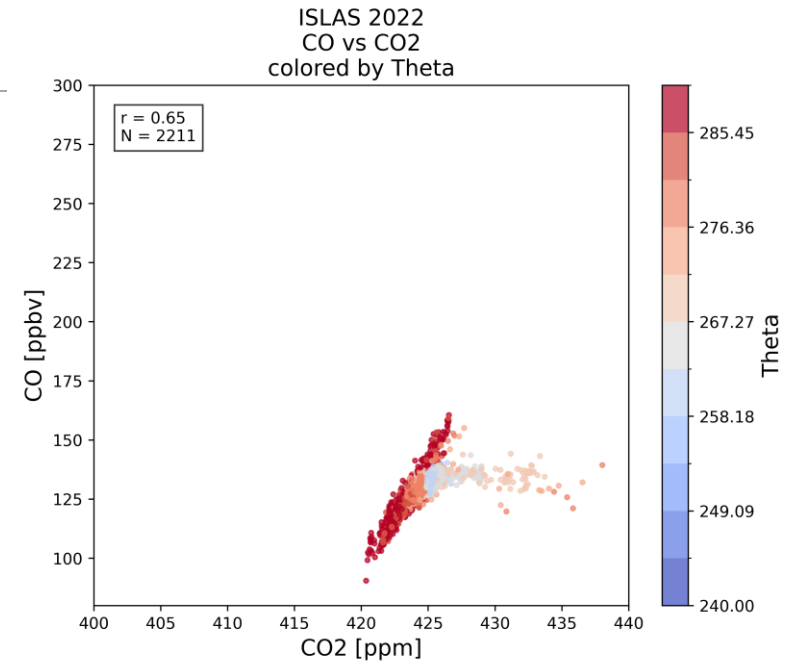
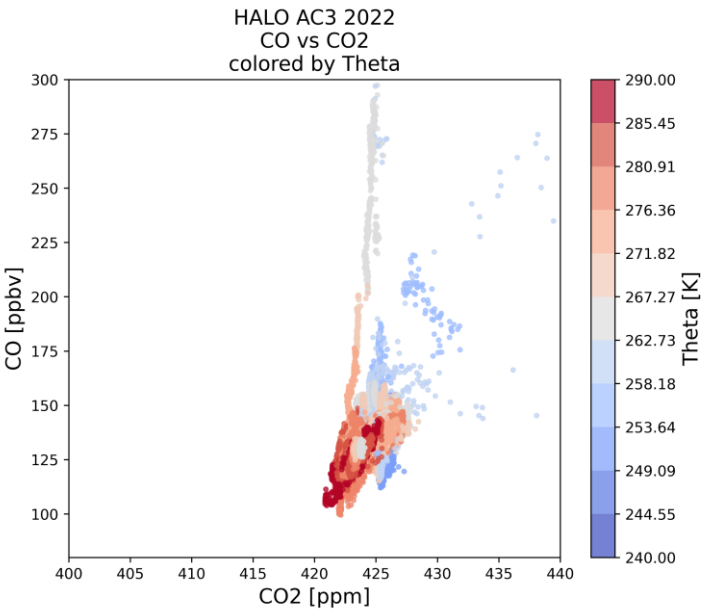
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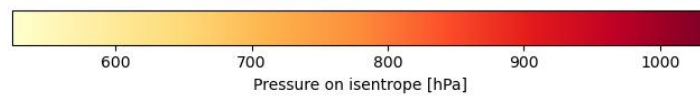
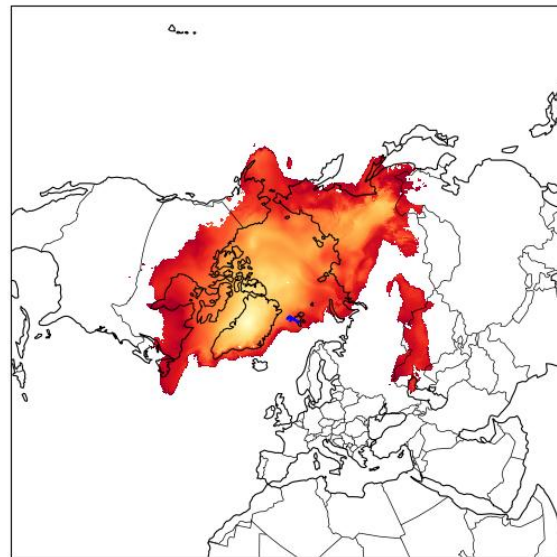
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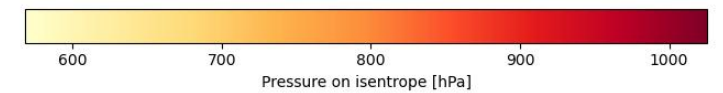
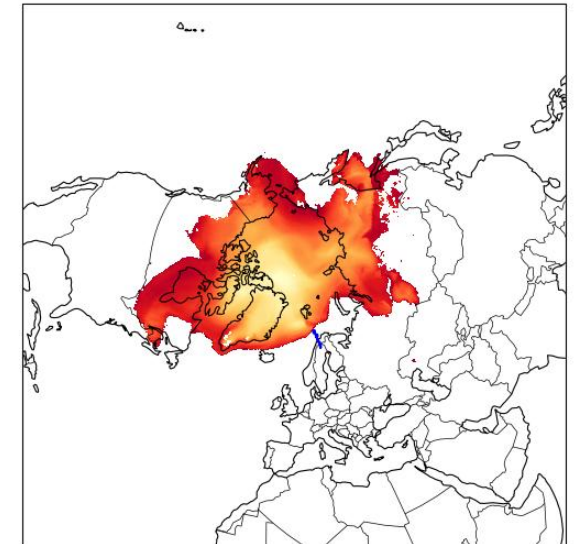
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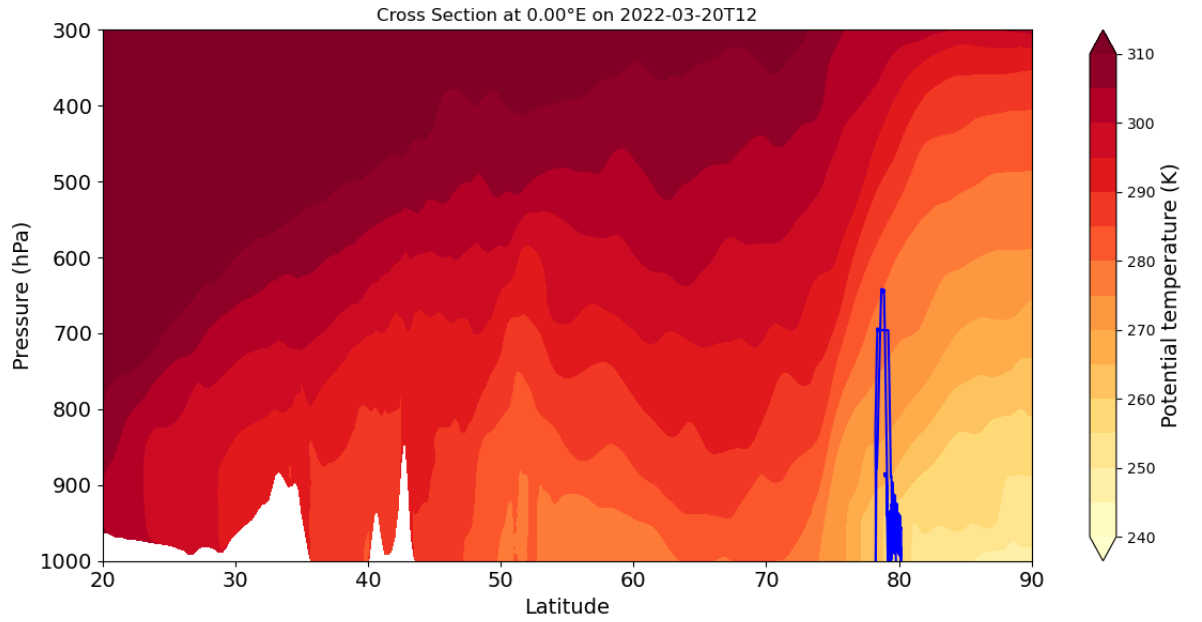
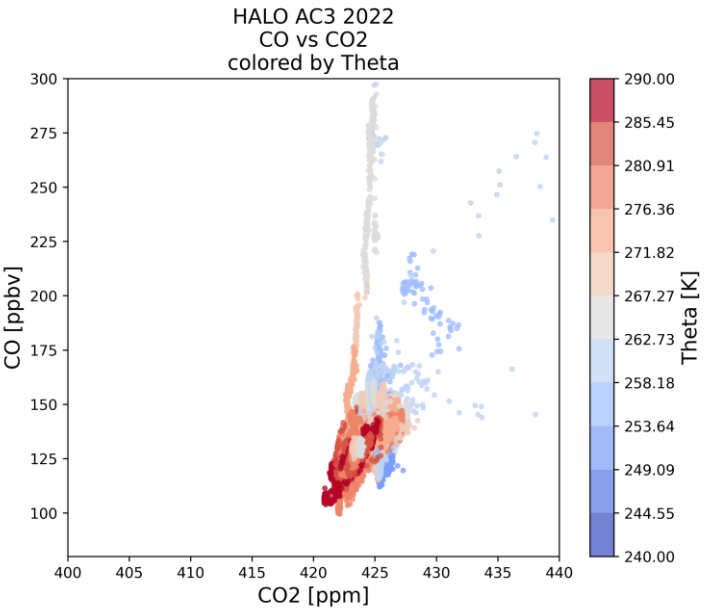
Pressure on $\theta = 270$ K surface on 2022-03-20T12



Pressure on $\theta = 270$ K surface on 2022-03-22T12



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