Influence of Indian summer monsoon on surface CO₂ and other greenhouse gases observations at the west coast of India

Yogesh K. Tiwari

Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune, India



Co-authors: Marcel V. van der Schoot, CSIRO Ramesh Vellore, IITM, India K. Ravi Kumar, IITM, India

Indian monsoon system:

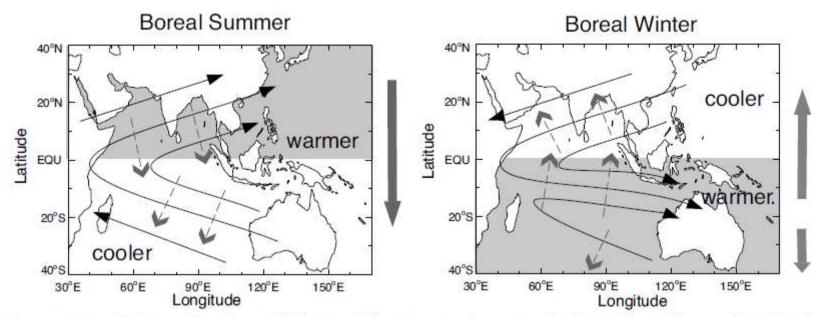
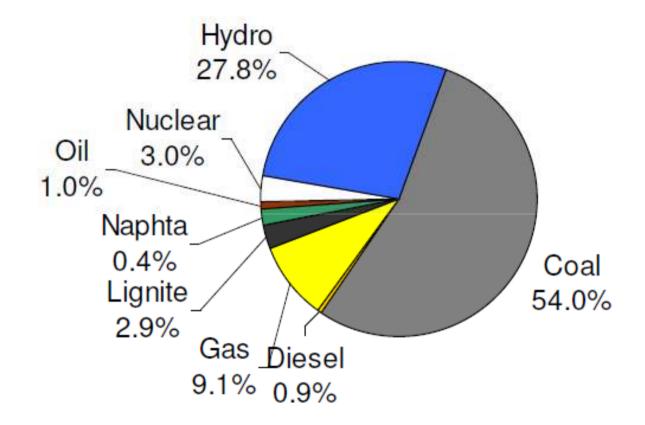


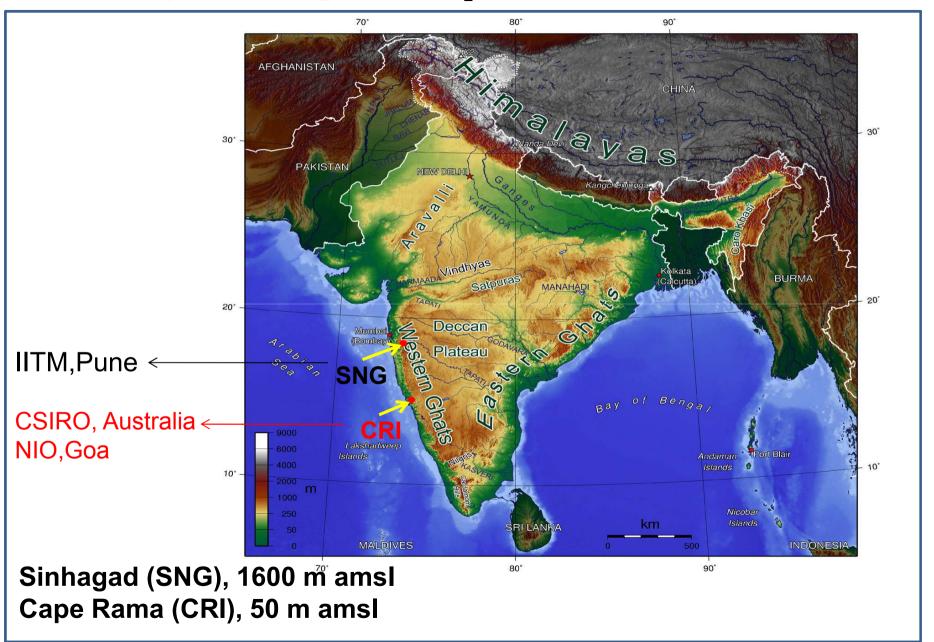
Figure 1.15. Schematic of regulation of the seasonal cycle of the Indian Ocean for (a) the boreal summer (June–September) and (b) the boreal winter (December–February). Curved solid lines indicate near-surface winds forced by the large-scale pressure gradients associated with the cross-equatorial heating gradient denoted by 'warm' and 'cool' (cf., Figure 1.10). Small gray arrows denote wind forces, Ekman drift, and the direction of the associated heat flux. The large vertical arrow denotes the sense and magnitude of the net zonally averaged heat flux reverses. Overall, the wind-driven southward flux of heat in the summer tends to cool the north Indian Ocean, while the northward flux during the winter tends to heat the north Indian Ocean, thereby reducing the SST gradient at all times of the year. The coupled ocean–atmosphere interaction described in the figure imposes a strong negative feedback on the system regulating the seasonal extrema of the monsoon.



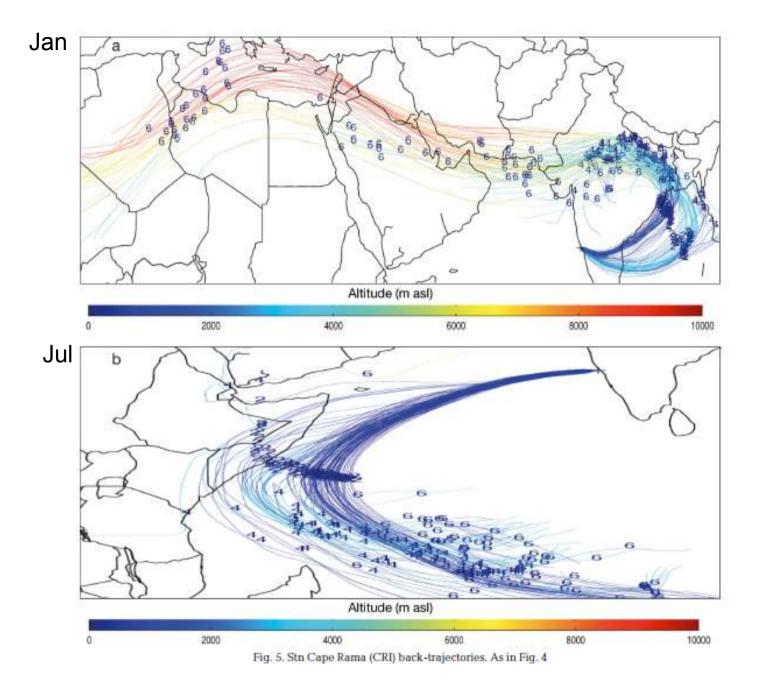
Power generation sources in India; as on March 31, 2009



Ref: Central Electricity Authority, Ministry of Power, Govt. of India; "CO2 baseline database for the Indian power sector"; November 2009



Study of Atmospheric CO₂ observations over India



Tiwari et al., 2013

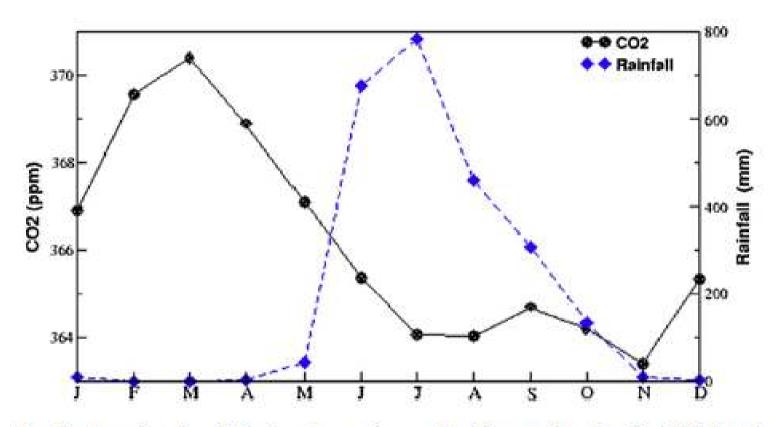
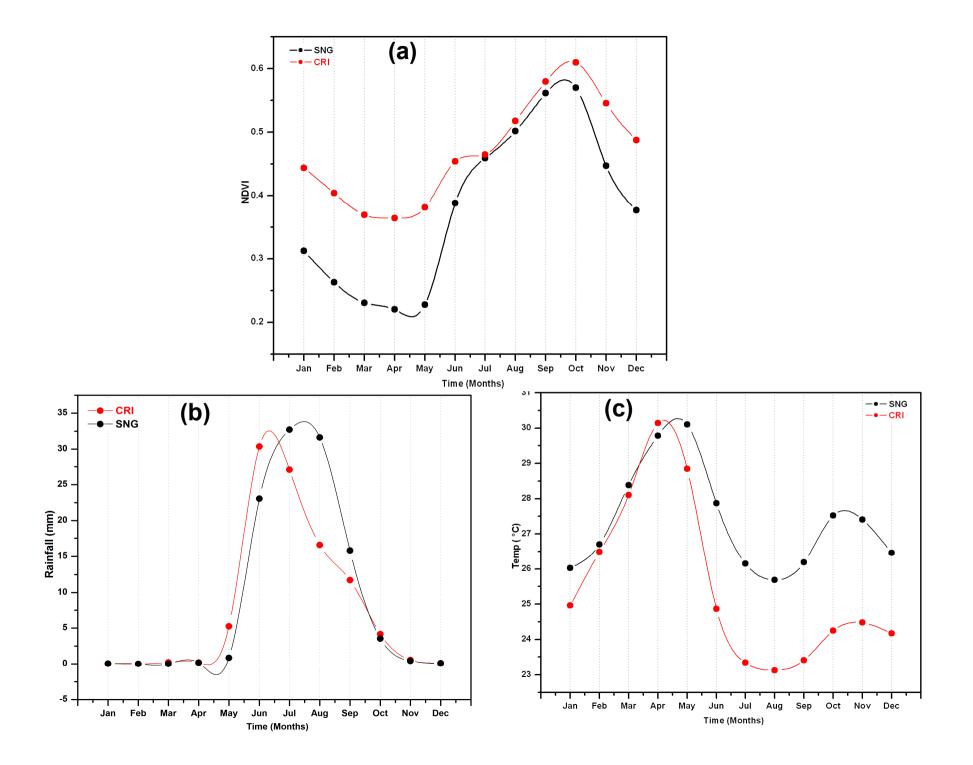
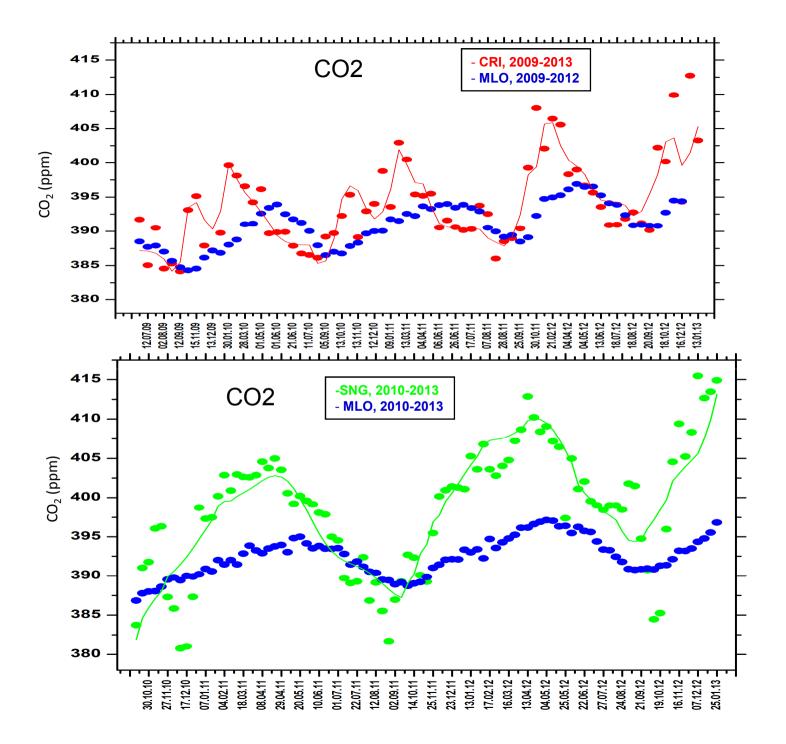
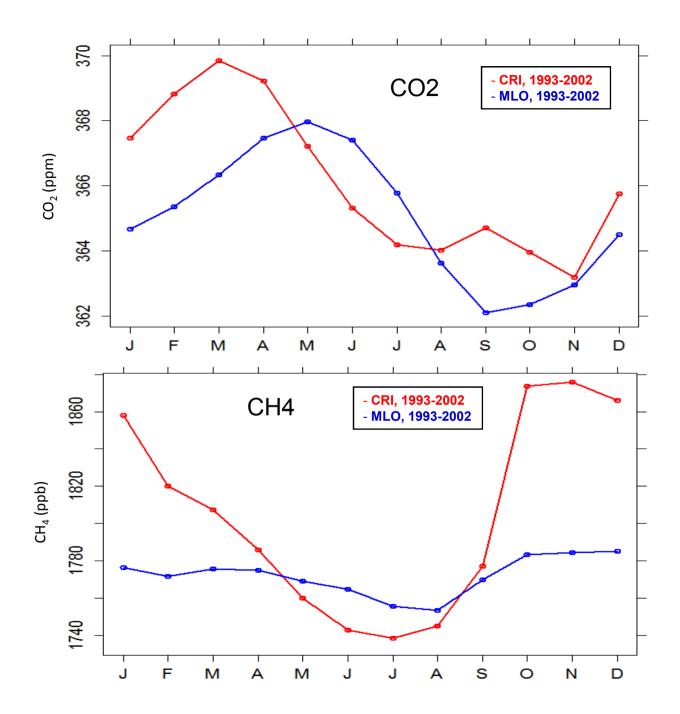


Fig. 6. Annual cycle of CO₂ (ppm) superimposed with annual cycle of rainfall (mm) over Cape Rama based on the data for 1993–2002.



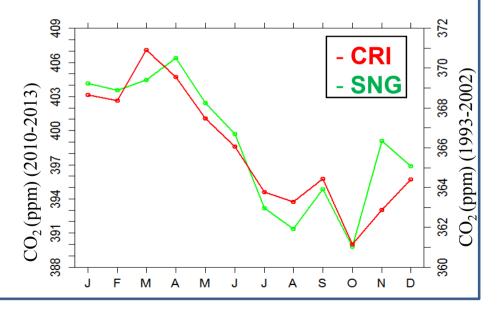


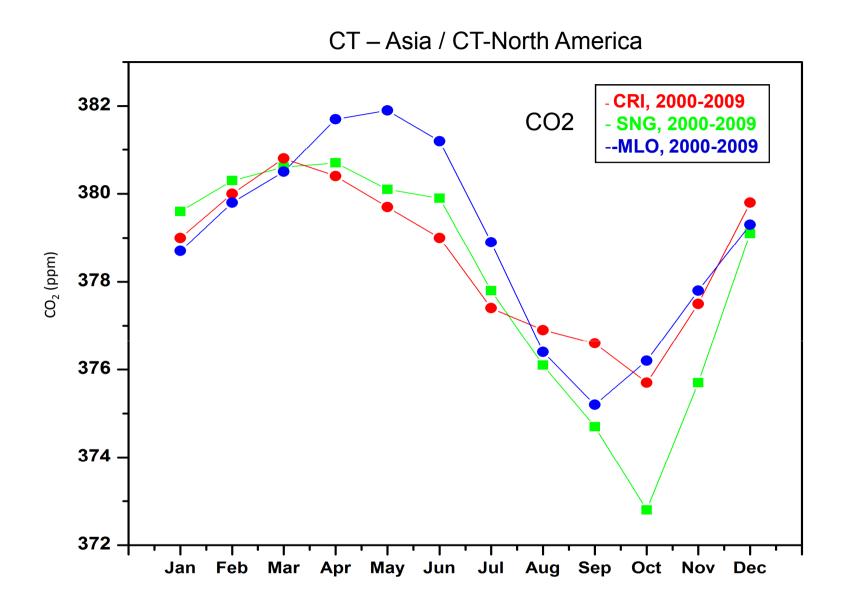


	All Seasons (CC, SNG and CRI)	DJF	MAM	JJAS	ON
CO ₂	0.664478	0.959588	0.270625	0.864363	0.747416
	Differenc	es in seasonal	means of both	(SNG-CRI)	
CO ₂ (ppm)	1.974331	-1.65751	5.99576	2.81568	-4.02596

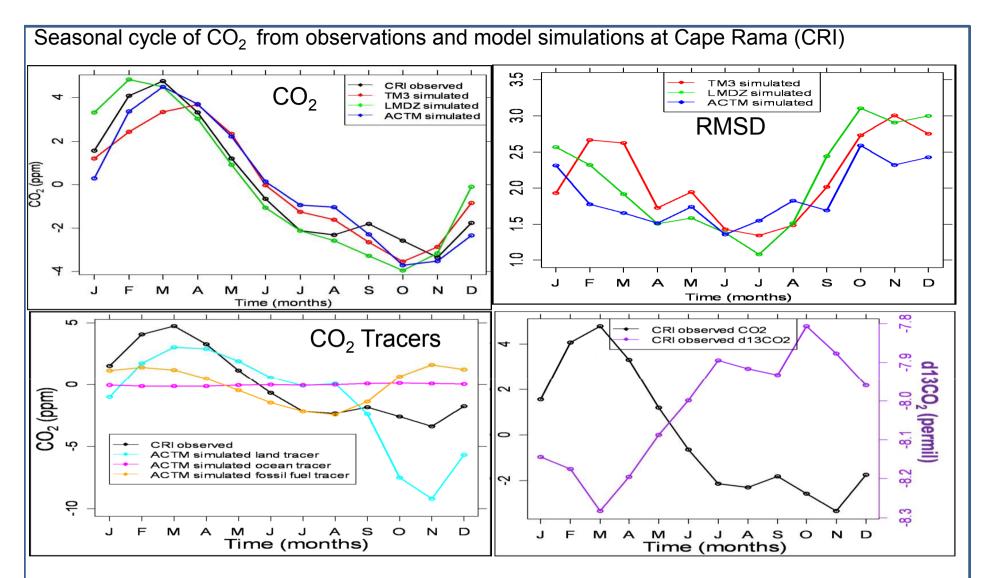
SNG and CRI CO_2 observations are generally well correlated during all seasons of the year.

Seasonal mean show Maxima (Minima) in April (Oct) months for SNG and March (Oct) for CRI





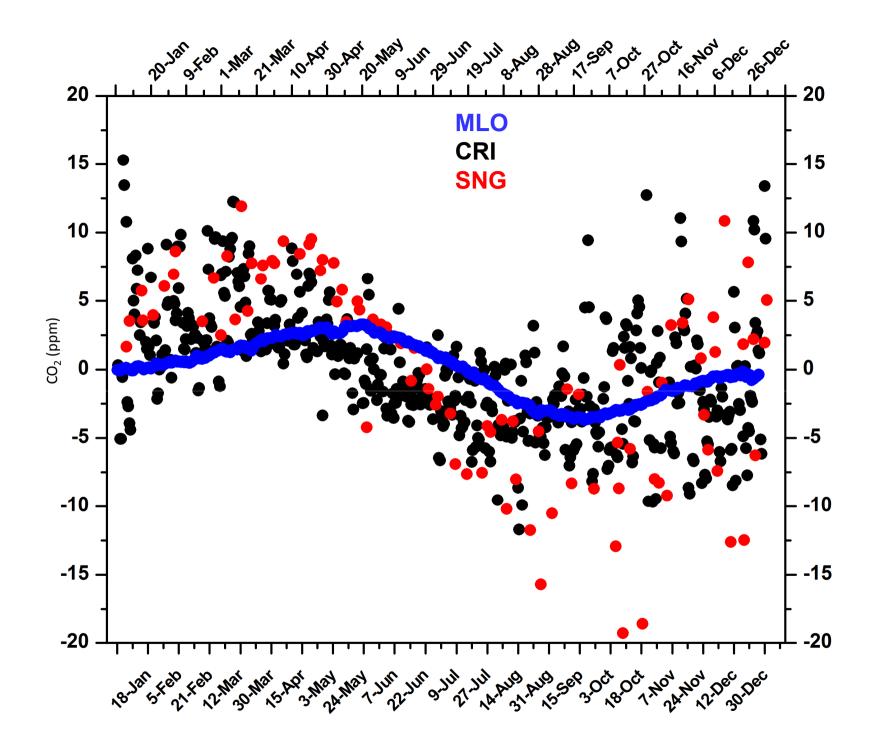
CT-Asia Data: Chunho Cho, NIMR Korea

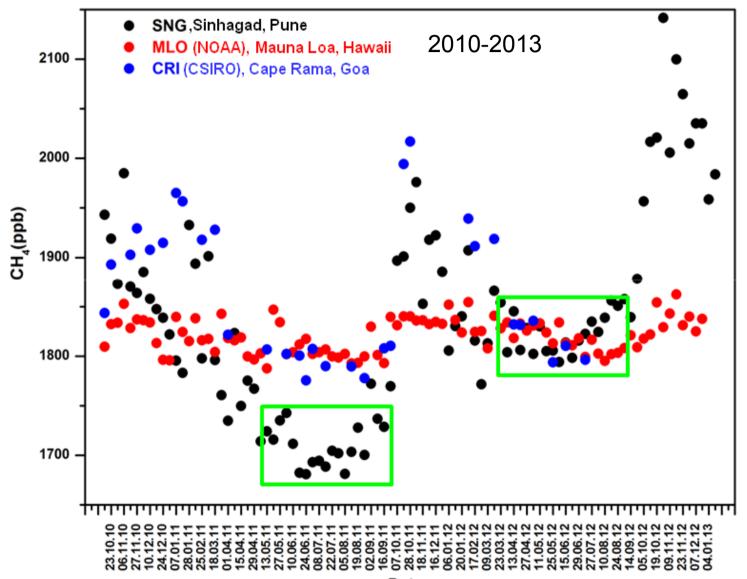


✤During summer monsoon months (June–September), the agreement between model and observed seasonal cycle is better represented (RMS values within ~1.5 ppm) than that of winter months (RMS values of 2–3 ppm).

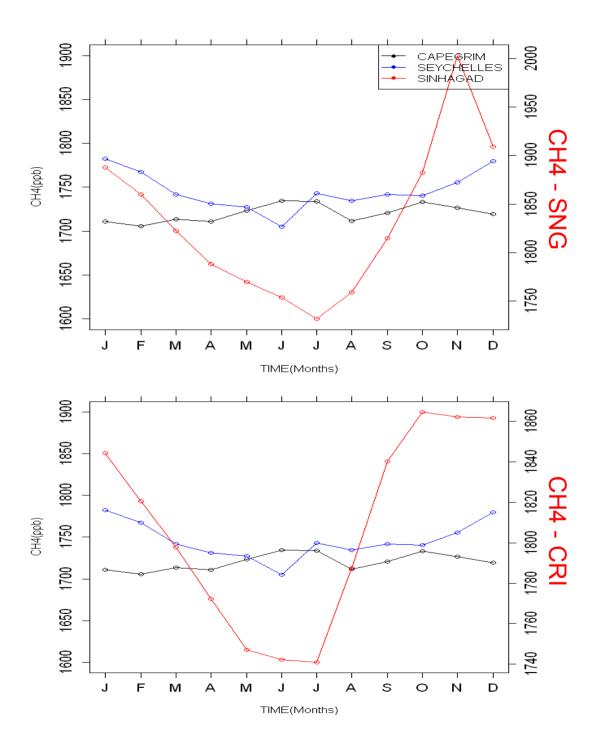
The seasonal forcing at CRI clearly comes from the terrestrial biosphere. This is also corroborated from the strong anti-correlation of the seasonal cycles of δ 13C and CO₂.

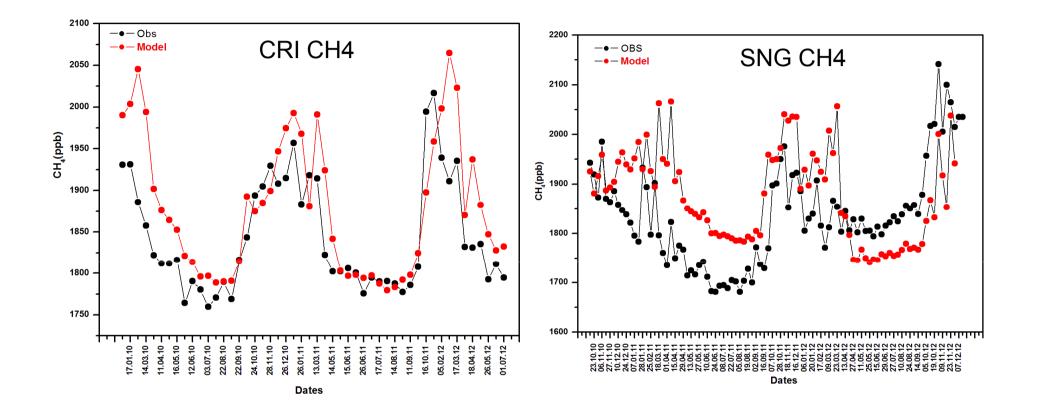
Tiwari et al., 2010

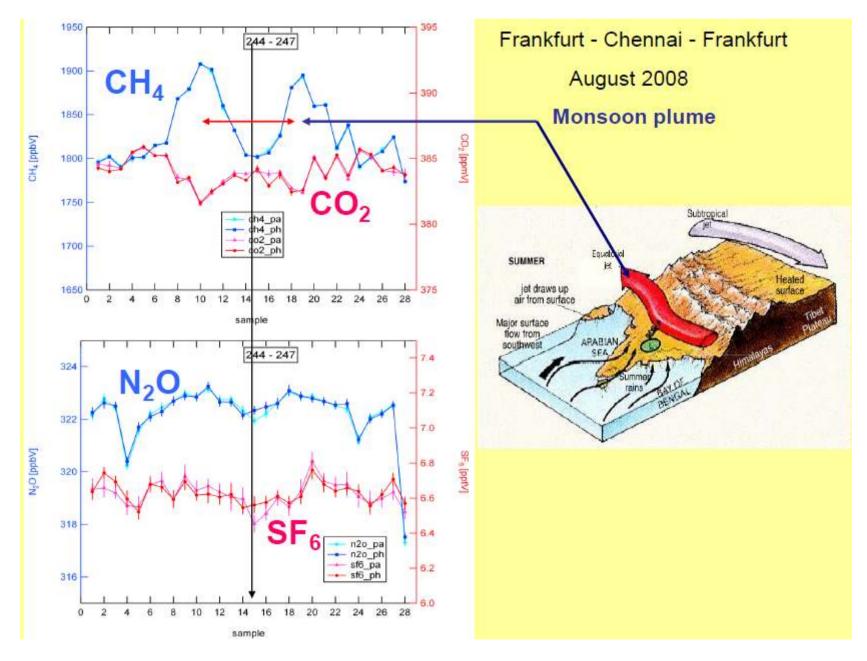




Dates







Source: Carl Brenninkmeijer, CARIBIC

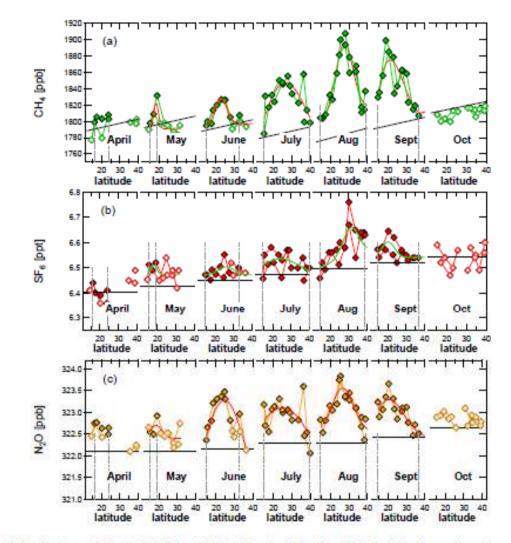


Fig. 8. Latitudinal distributions of CH4 (a), SF₆ (b), and N₂O (c) for April–October 2008. For May–September a Gaussian has been fit to the data. Solid lines indicate background levels determined from the CARIBIC measurements in April and October for SF₆ and from the Mauna Loa Observatory for CH4 and N₂O. All samples for which CH4 mixing ratios are above the reference background are indicated by closed symbols, open symbols denote samples with lower CH₄ mixing ratios. The vertical dashed lines mark the integration limits used to calculate the increase in the monsoon plume.

Schuck et al., 2010, ACP

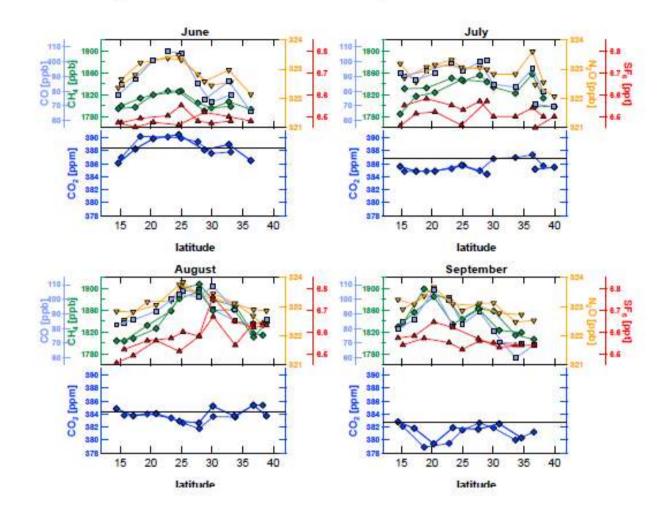
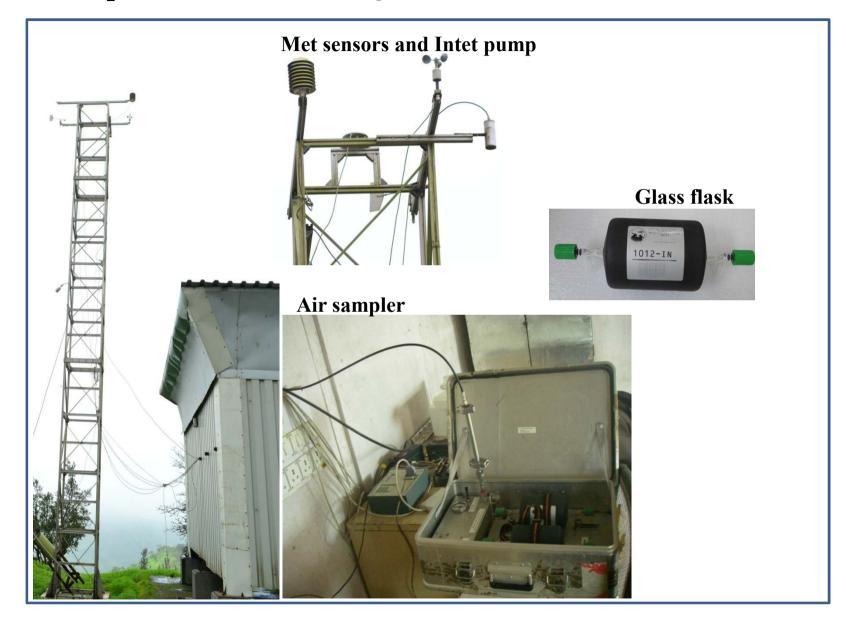
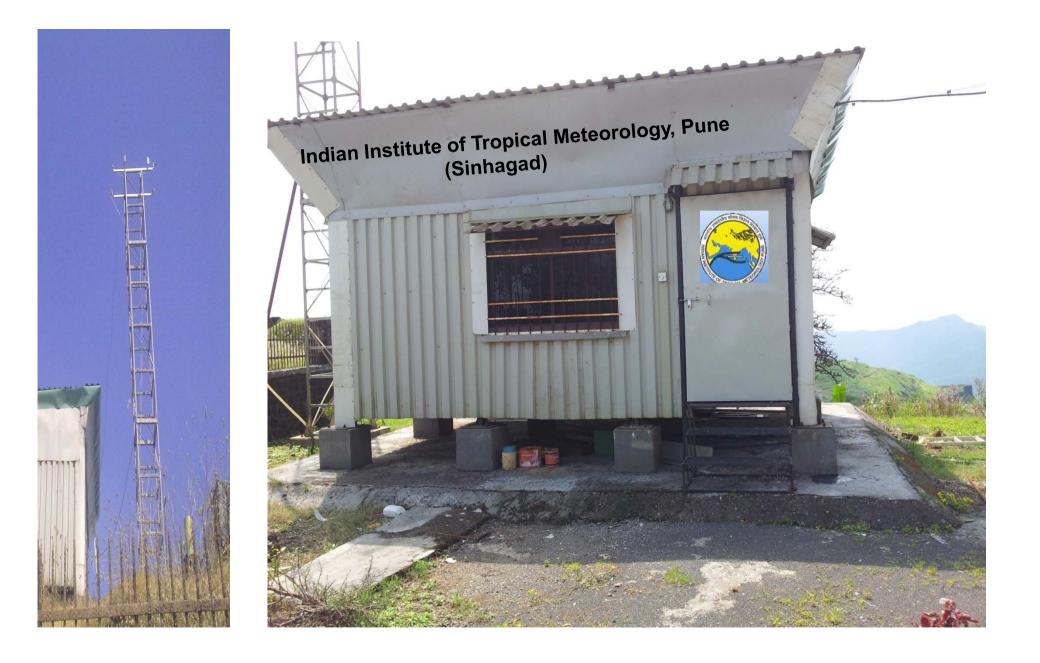


Fig. 5. Latitudinal distributions of CH₄, CO₂, N₂O, and SF₆ from air samples and on-line measured CO mixing ratios integrated over the sampling period for flights between Frankfurt and Chennai in June, July, August, and September 2008. For CO₂ the mean mixing ratio observed at Mauna Loa Observatory (19°N) is indicated by a solid line.

Schuck et al., 2010, ACP

Surface CO₂ observations at Sinhagad site, India





Wet condition

Sinhagad site

Dry condition





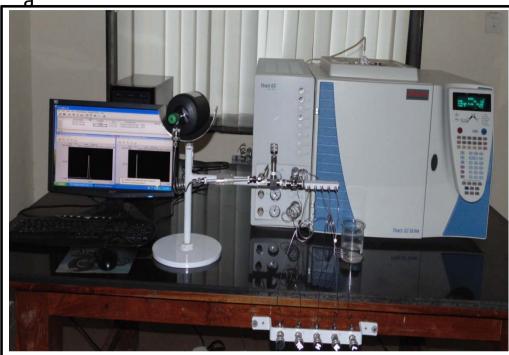








Gas Chromatograph facility at the IITM, Pune



b

- a) Gas Chromatograph (FID,ECD)
- a) Standard calibration cylinders (NOAA,USA)
- c) Target gas cylinders
- d) Carrrier gas cylinders



С



Glass flask evacuation and conditioning system developed at the IITM



THANK YOU....