

Large-Scale Dynamics of the Mesosphere and Lower Thermosphere (MLT) Affecting MLT Gravity Wave Dynamics during DEEPWAVE As Derived from High-Altitude (0-100 km) Global NAVGEM Reanalyses of the 2014 Austral Winter

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Science Motivation



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The Deep Propagating Gravity Wave U.S. NAVAL RESEARCH **Experiment: May-July 2014** RF11 Of Plenty Canberra Wellington hristchurch unalla. RF3 RF Auckland Island RF18 RF23 RF19 **RF24** 26 research flights (RFs) **RF17 180 flight hours** 279 dropwindsonde **RF25** releases







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Research Reanalysis Runs into Mesosphere & Lower Thermosphere (MLT): 0-100 km

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U.S. NAVAL Sample 6-Hourly Geographical Coverage



- \sim 3.3 million atmospheric observations assimilated every 6-hour cycle (superobbed)
- ~ 0.25 million MLT observations assimilated every 6 hours
 - ~30,000 SABER limb observations
 - ~110,000 MLS limb observations
 - ~110,000 SSMIS UAS nadir observations (3 instruments on F17, F18 & F19)

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Radiosondes & GPS Occultations 18 July 2014 1200 UTC Update Cycle











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4 Reanalysis	Experiments	
	Synoptic	GW Resolving
Pure 4DVAR: T119L74		T425L74
Hybrid 4DVAR:	T119L74	T425L74
(Inner Loops)	T47L74	T119L74

Details

- All experiments started ~20 March 2014 and run out to end of September (T119/47 hybrid-4DVAR was run to end of December)
- MLT physics includes orographic and nonorographic gravity wave drag and simple initial parameterizations of exothermic chemical and O₂ heating
- 1 hour time cadence (6 hourly analysis plus 1-5 hour forecasts) to improve discrimination of tidal modes in MLT analysis



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MLT Validation on Hemispheric Scales



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MERRA-NAVGEM Monthly Mean Zonal Wind October 2014





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2D Space-Time (Hayashi) Spectra of Reanalyzed MLT







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Harmonic Fits to MLT Reanalysis in Localized DEEPWAVE Regions





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Validation: Reanalyzed MLT Winds Versus Meteor Radar Winds





Meteor Radars Measuring MLT Winds During DEEPWAVE RESEARCH

Kingston, **Tasmania Buckland Park, Australia** 40°S 32°S South Australia (a) 119 T425 33°S 41°S 34°S asmania 42°S 35°S 43°S Kinas 36°S n radius bU 38.50E,34.60S,Point 44°S 138.50E,34.60S,60km Radius 375 45°S 38°S 136°E 146°E 148°E 150°E 134°E 144°E

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140°E

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138°E

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MLT Wind Analysis vs. Meteor Radar Winds:



Semidiurnal Tidal Wind Amplitudes: z=88 km Harmonic Fits Using 4-day Sliding Windows

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Semidiurnal Tidal Wind Phases: z=88 km Harmonic Fits Using 4-day Sliding Windows



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MLT Wind Analysis vs. Meteor Radar Winds:



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Diurnal Tidal Wind Amplitudes: z=80 km RESEARCH Harmonic Fits Using 4-day Sliding Windows

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Monthly Mean MLT Wind and Tidal Structures for DEEPWAVE Science



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Mean and Tidal Fits to Reanalysis for DEEPWAVE MLT Science Guidance



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- Define a main 166°-174°E South Island longitude zone (following, e.g., Kruse et al. JAS 2016)
- Define 1° latitude averaging boxes from 25°-65°S (41 boxes in all)
- Average reanalysis fields within each of these boxes
- Perform harmonic time series analysis of winds and temperatures within each box to study time variations of means and tidal amplitudes as a function of latitude

June Semidiurnal Temperature Amplitudes



T425 Outer (T119 Inner) Hybrid T425L74 June Semidiurnal Amplitude Temperature 100 90 geometric height (km) 80 70 60 50°S 60°S 40°S 30°S 6 3 4 5 9 10 2 Κ

4DVAR T425L74 June Semidiurnal Amplitude Temperature



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July Semidiurnal Temperature Amplitudes

T119 Outer (T47 Inner)



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T425 Outer (T119 Inner) Hybrid T425L74 July Semidiurnal Amplitude Temperature



4DVAR T425L74 July Semidiurnal Amplitude Temperature



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June Semidiurnal Zonal Wind Amplitudes





4DVAR T425L74 June Semidiurnal Amplitude Zonal Wind



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July Semidiurnal Zonal Wind Amplitudes







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June Semidiurnal Meridional Wind Amps

30°S

40°S

18 20 22 24 26 28 30 56

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T119 Outer (T47 Inner)



50°S

T425 Outer (T119 Inner)



4DVAR T425L74 June Semidiurnal Amplitude Meridional Wind



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70

60

60°S

6 8 10 12 14 16

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July Semidiurnal Meridional Wind Amps

T119 Outer (T47 Inner)



T425 Outer (T119 Inner)



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- MLT Dynamics in and around the South Island were dominated by large-amplitude migrating semidiurnal wind and temperature tides during the DEEPWAVE austral winter of 2014, suggesting strong semidiurnal tidal modulation of MLT gravity waves generally (as reported, e.g., by Eckermann et al. 2016 over the Auckland Islands during RF23)
- Tidal amplitudes show vacillations over 15-20 days that are also seen in meteor radar winds
- Diurnal tidal amplitudes were much weaker over the South Island and poleward: stronger diurnal tidal amplitudes are confined mostly to latitudes equatorward of New Zealand
- Mean winds over the South Island (4-day local means with tides removed) remained eastward up to ~100 km altitude providing a stable propagation channel for orographic gravity waves in the absence of tides
- Mean and tidal winds in NAVGEM reanalysis show skill in comparison to independent meteor radar observations at Kingston and Buckland Park
- Hybrid-4DVAR results generally outperform pure 4DVAR in MLT wind validation.

U.S. NAVAL RESEARCH LABORATORY SCIENCE Customers for High-Altitude NAVGEM DEEPWAVE Reanalysis Products

Time Cadence: 6-hourly, 3-hourly or hourly analysis

Vertical Levels

- <u>Native</u>: Hybrid sigma-pressure levels
- <u>Regridded Options</u>: isobaric (constant pressure) levels, constant geopotential height levels, constant geometric height levels, isentropic (constant potential temperature) levels

Horizontal Gridding

- <u>Native</u>: full (T119) or reduced (T425) Gaussian grids
- <u>Regridded Options</u>: equispaced latitude-longitude grids

Global Data or Subsets of selected Horizontal and Vertical Ranges

Analyzed Variables (on any of the above horizontal and vertical grids)

- Zonal Wind, Meridional Wind, Vertical Wind, Pressure (omega) Velocity
- Temperature, Potential Temperature, Absolute/Relative Vorticity, Ertel's Potential Vorticity, Modified Potential Vorticity, Divergence, etc.
- Specific Humidity, Ozone Volume Mixing Ratio, etc.

Other Physics Parameters

• e.g., subgridscale (parameterized) orographic and nonorographic GWD



Backup Slides



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Resolved Gravity Waves in Reanalysis



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- NAVGEM reanalyses have been generated from 0-100 km to support DEEPWAVE GW science during austral winter of 2014
- Reanalyzed MLT winds agree well with meteor radar winds acquired over Tasmania, including a dominant large-amplitude vacillating semidiurnal tide
- Resolved gravity waves show skill relative to observations and ECMWF IFS

Planned DEEPWAVE Science Using These Products

- "Missing" gravity wave drag using analysis increments (following McLandress et al. JAS 2012)
- Role of resolved and parameterized MLT gravity wave drag in closing stratopause jets
- Understanding large-amplitude vacillating migrating semidiurnal tidal winds in MLT during DEEPWAVE & role of GW-tidal interactions
- MLT gravity-wave event modeling and transmission studies using NAVGEM winds and temperatures from 0-100 km



U.S. NAVAL RESEARCH LABORATORY Observation Assimilation Statistics



July Zonal-Mean Zonal-Wind Increments

T119 Outer (T47 Inner)



90°S **DEEPWAVE Science Meeting 2017**

60°S

30°S

30°N

60°N

90°N

90°S

60°S

30°S

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60°N

90°N

30°N

T425 Outer (T119 Inner)



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U.S. NAVAL RESEARCH LABORATORY ZONAL WIND Increments and "Missing" GWD

- Several recent studies have argued that zonal-mean zonal wind increments in the extratropical austral winter stratosphere reveal "missing" GWD in models (Orr et al. J. Clim. 2010; McLandress et al. JAS 2012; Kruse et al. JAS 2016)
- In particular, McLandress et al. (2012) argued that systematic negative (westward) increments at ~60°S indicated a missing source of GWD in models, either from subantarctic islands in Southern Ocean or meridional refraction of GW into the vortex jet from higher and lower latitudes
- How does this work?





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Wind Increments and "Missing" Gravity Wave Drag



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U.S. NAVAL June Zonal-Mean Zonal-Wind Increments

Hybrid 4DVAR

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Zonal Wind T119(Inner Loop) Increments: Exp-t425l74s4: June 2014



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June Zonal-Mean Zonal-Wind Increments U.S.NAVAL RESEARCH

T119 Outer (T47 Inner)

T425 Outer (T119 Inner)



Pure 4DVAR

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U.S. NAVAL Old June Zonal-Mean Zonal-Wind Increments



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pressure height (km)

pressure height (km)

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