CERES/Aqua Edition1 Vs. CERES/Terra Edition2 ERBE-like TOA Fluxes

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Objectives

- Compare CERES/Aqua Edition1 and CERES/Terra Edition2 ERBE-like TOA Fluxes: Regional, Zonal, and Global Scale; Monthly and Annual Mean.
- Examine the Effects of Temporal Sampling On ERBE-like Radiation Fields: Terra (10:30 am) Vs. Aqua (1:30 pm)





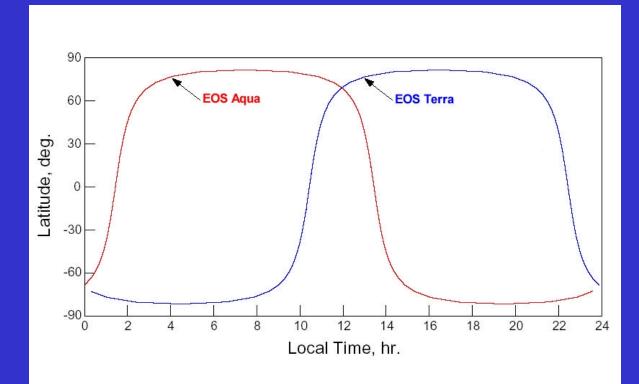
Datasets

- CERES/Aqua Edition1 and CERES/Terra Edition2 ERBE-like Dataset (7/2002 To 6/2003) → Latest Data Containing Instrument Drift Correction
- Extracted All-sky and Clear-sky Fluxes
- Combined FM1 and FM2 Data to Form A Single Terra Dataset
- Combined FM3 and FM4 Data to Form A Single Aqua Dataset





Terra (10:30am) and Aqua (1:30pm) Orbit



N.H. Polar Regions: Aqua (am), Terra (pm)

Both Orbits overlap at Near Noon and Midnight at Polar Regions

SW Temporal Sampling Differences Increase from North to South; Greatest in S.H.





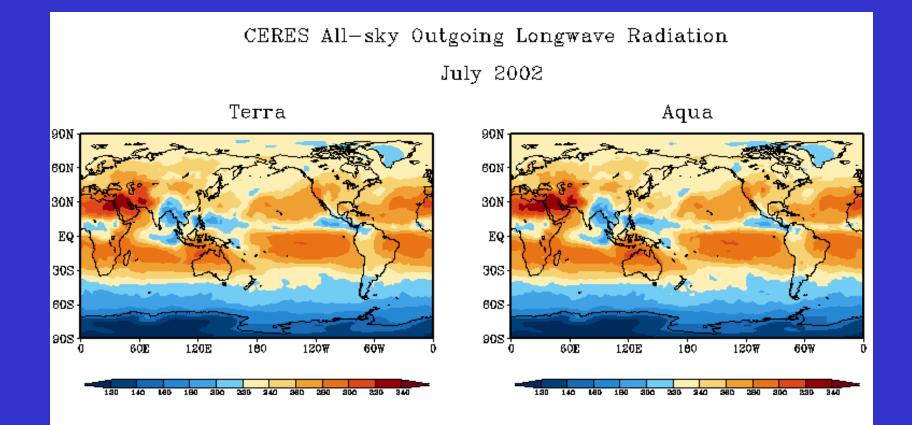
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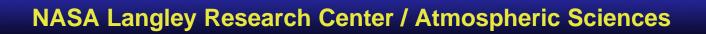






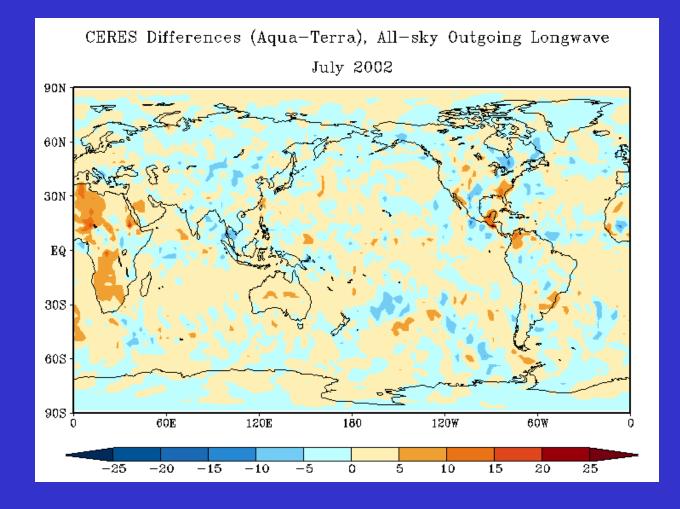
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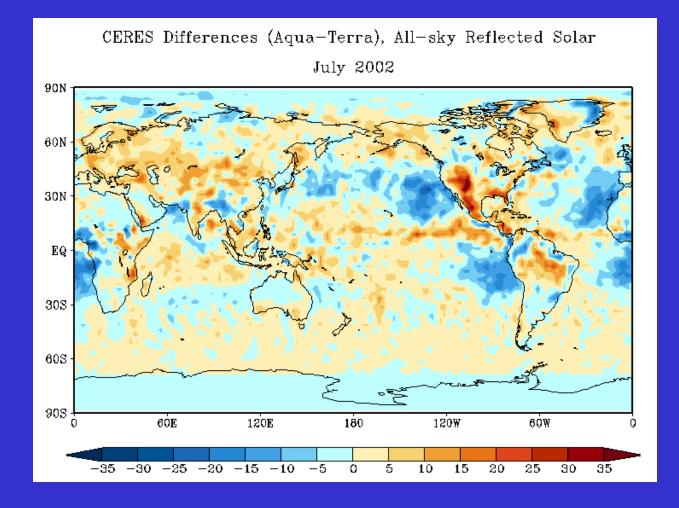
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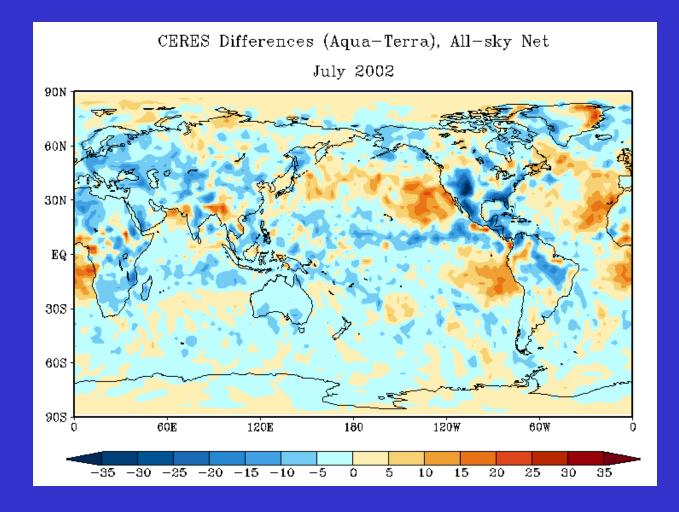
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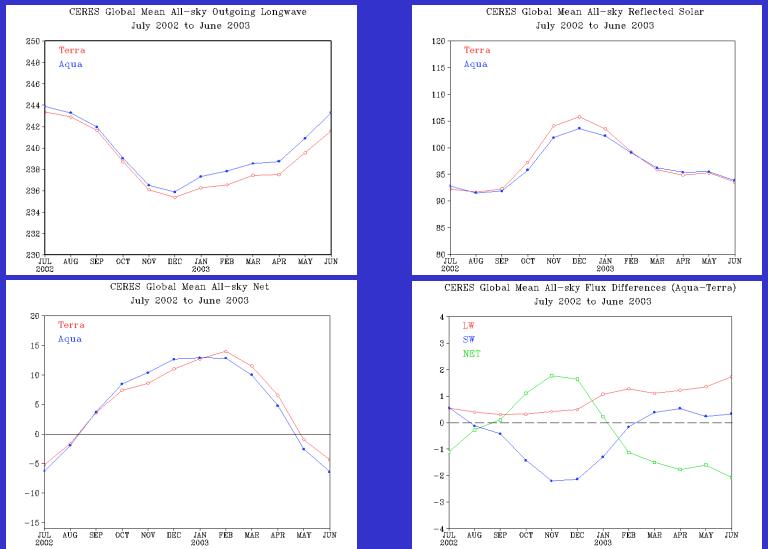
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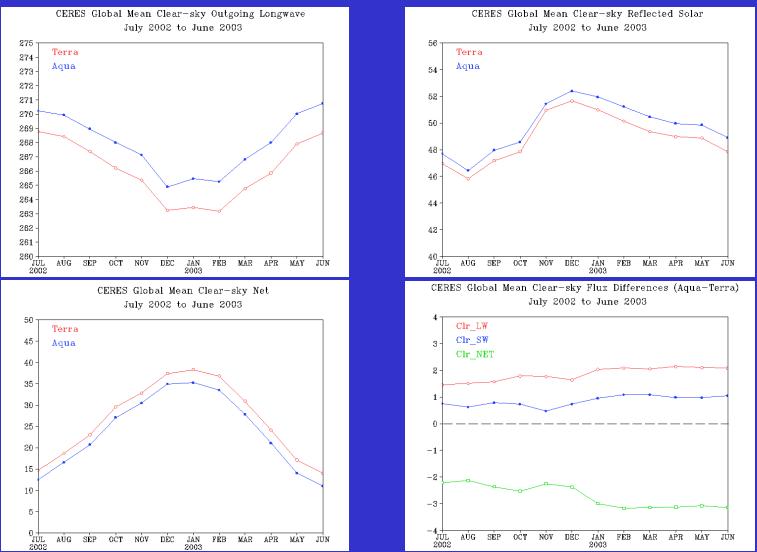
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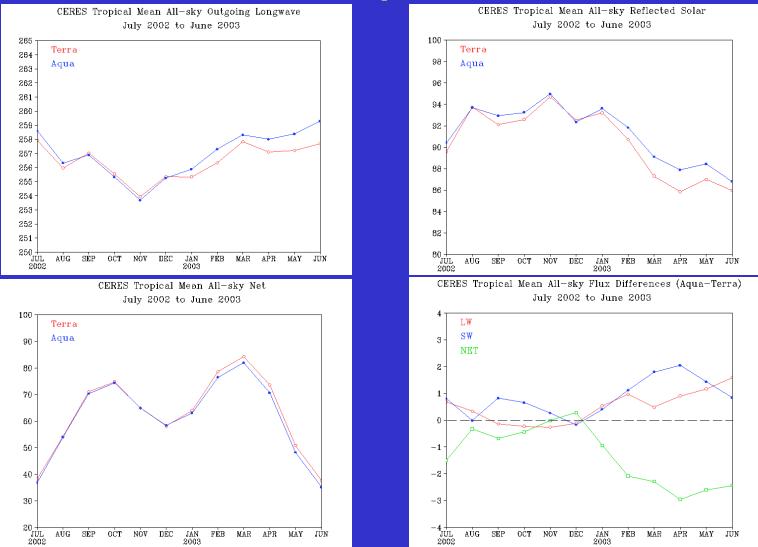
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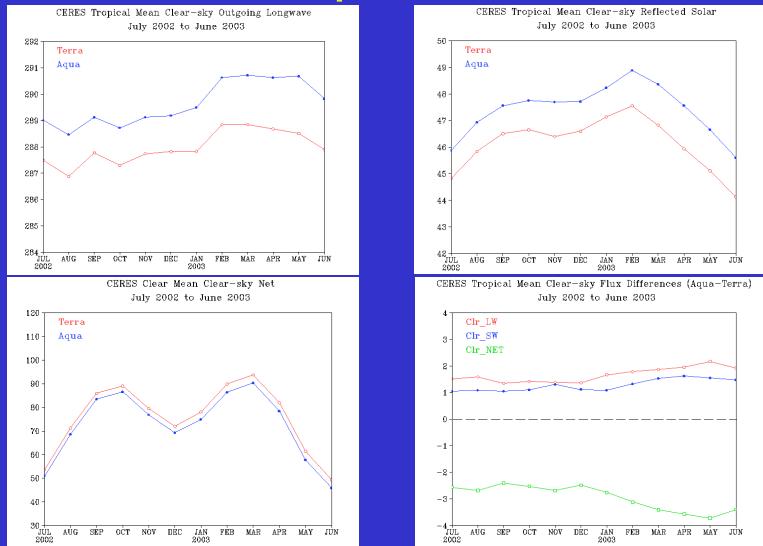
Time Series of Tropical Mean Fluxes



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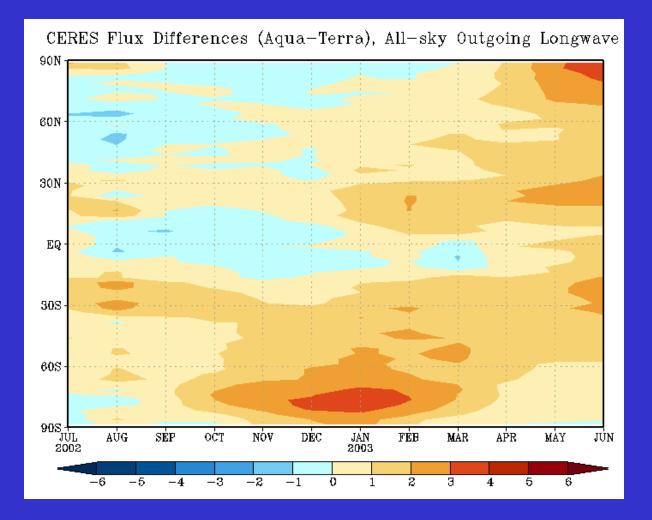
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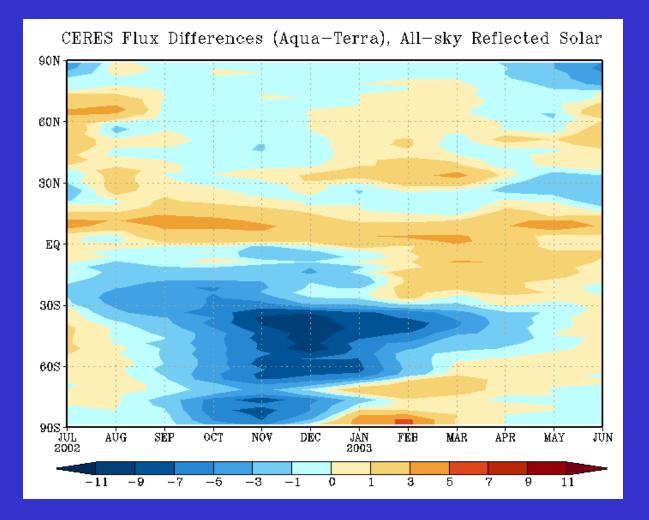
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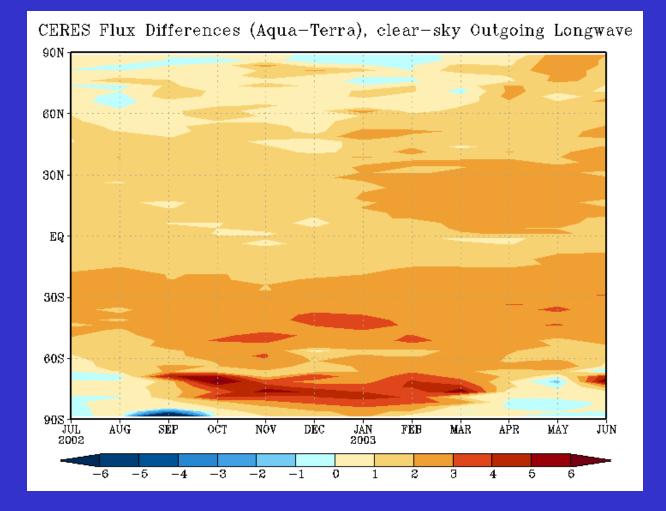
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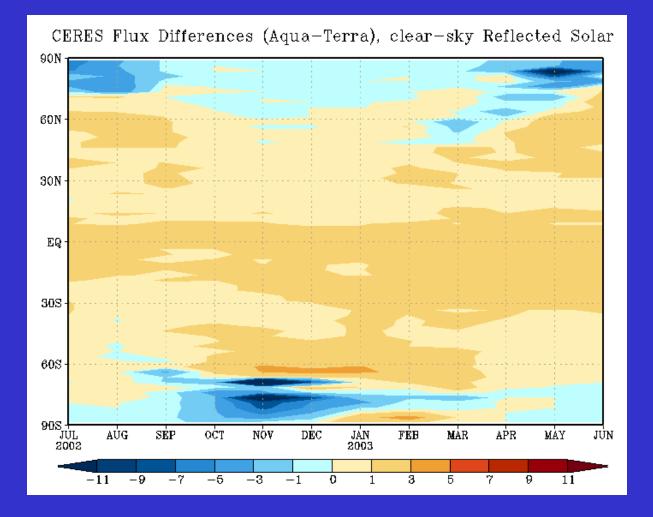
Aqua - Terra Zonal Mean Clr LW Differences







Aqua - Terra Zonal Mean Clr SW Differences







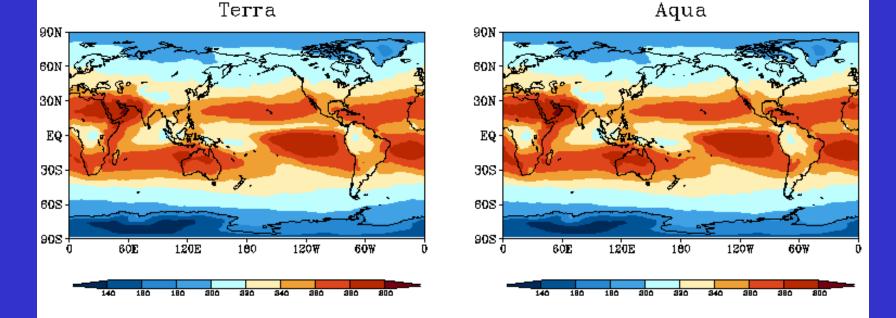
Annual Mean Comparisons





Terra and Aqua Longwave Flux

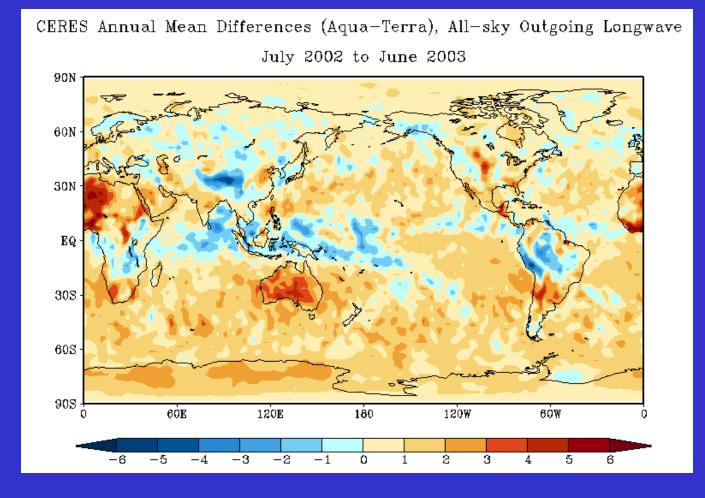
CERES All-sky Outgoing Longwave Radiation, Annual Mean July 2002 to June 2003







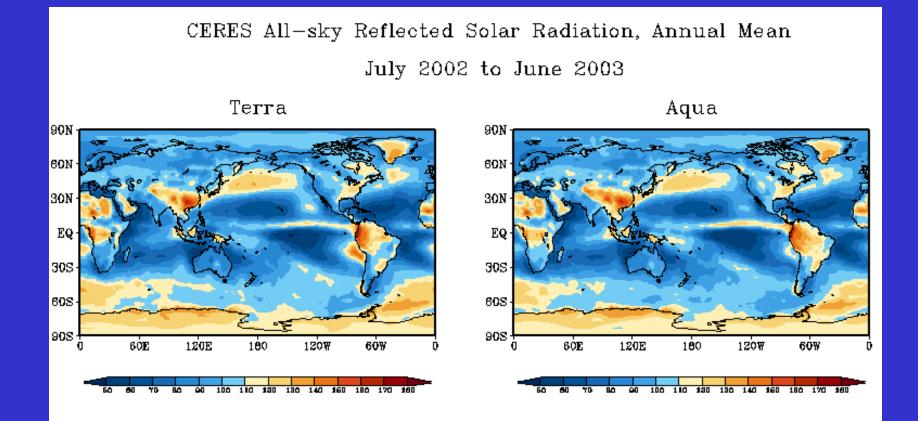
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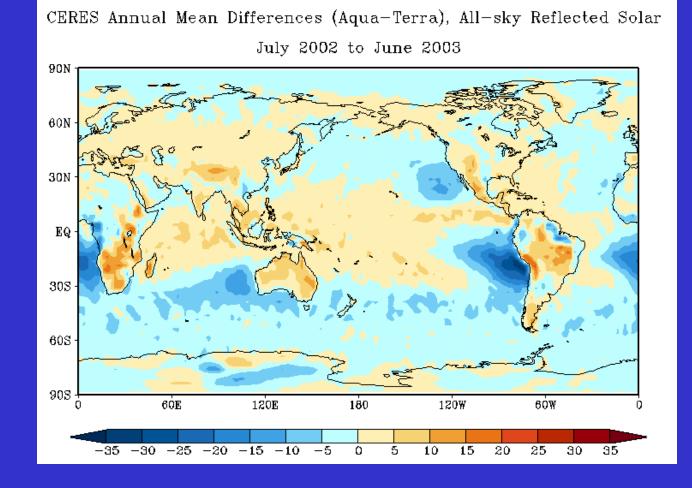
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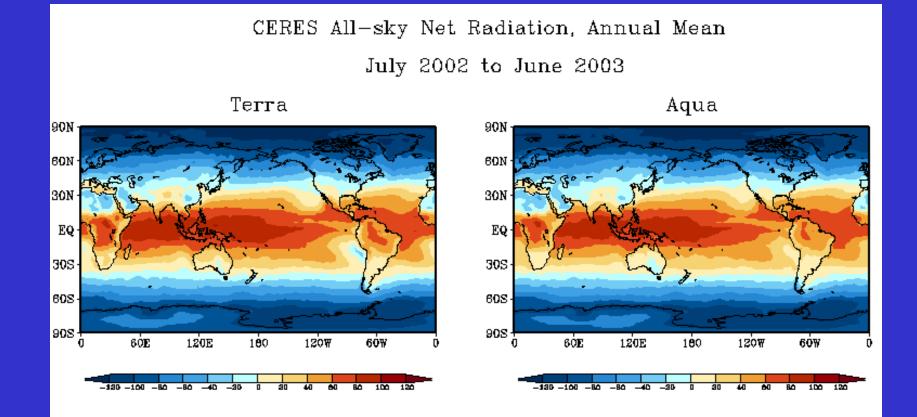
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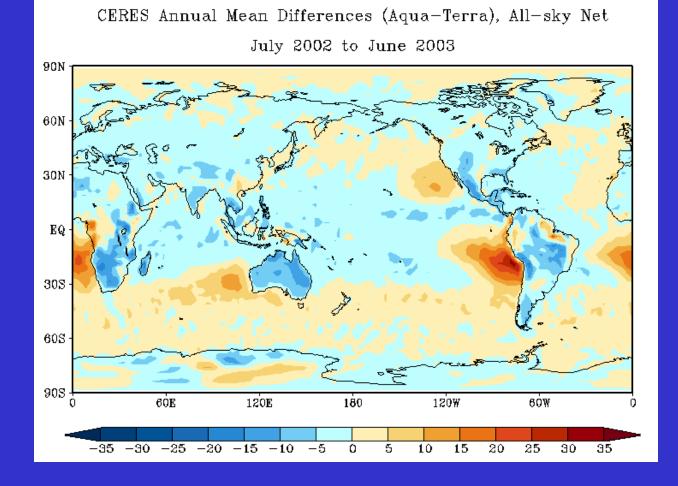
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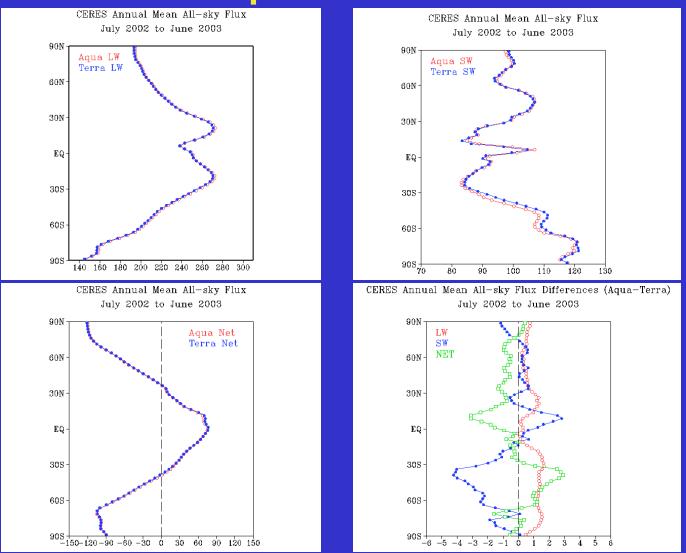
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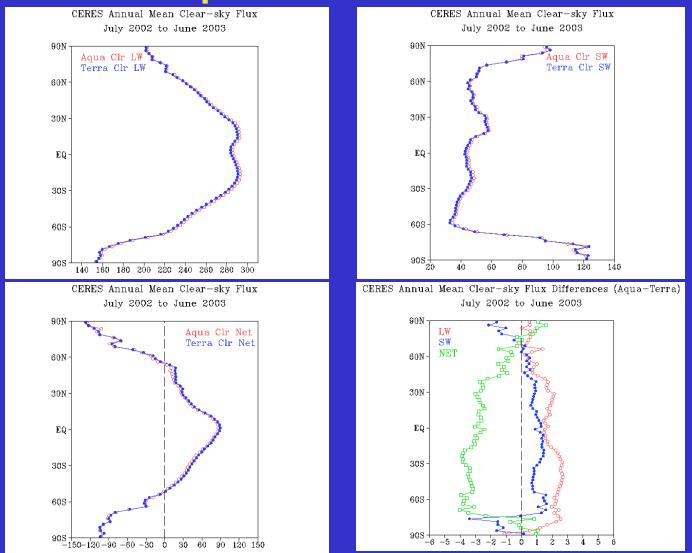
Terra and Aqua Zonal Mean Fluxes







Terra and Aqua Zonal Mean Clear Fluxes







Terra and Aqua Global Mean Fluxes

	Terra	Aqua	Aqua-Terra
LW	238.9	238.8	0.9
SW	97.2	96.7	-0.5
Net	5.3	4.9	-0.4
Albedo	28.46%	28.32%	-0.14%
Clear LW	266.6	268.4	1.8
Clear SW	48.6	49.5	0.9
Clear Net	29.5	26.8	-2.7
Clr Albedo	14.25%	14.50%	0.25%





Terra and Aqua Tropical Mean Fluxes

	Terra	Aqua	Aqua-Terra
LW	256.4	256.9	0.5
SW	90.4	91.3	0.9
Net	62.5	61.2	-1.3
Albedo	22.09%	22.29%	0.20%
Clear LW	287.9	289.6	1.7
Clear SW	46.3	47.5	1.2
Clear Net	74.6	72.1	-2.5
Clr Albedo	11.31%	11.59%	0.28%





Main Summary

- CERES/Aqua and Terra ERBE-like Fluxes Show Regional Differences (both monthly and annual Mean) Consistent With Diurnal Sampling Differences of the Two EOS Satellites
- Time Series of Global/Tropical Mean Flux Differences (Aqua-Terra) Show a Small Positive Slope in the All-sky Longwave Fluxes After 12/2002 → Need Longer Time Series to See if this Slope Continues
- However, Time Series of Global/Tropical Mean Clear Flux Differences (Aqua-Terra) Are Very Small → No Changes ??
- Annual Mean Zonal Mean SW Differences (Aqua-Terra) Show Largest Differences In the S.H.; Consistent with the Larger Differences in Daytime Sampling Time between the Two Satellites.
- Annual Mean Global Mean Differences (Aqua-Terra) Are Less Than 1 Wm⁻² For LW, SW, and Net. Clear-sky Fluxes Differences Are Less Than 2.7 Wm⁻²
- Annual Mean Tropical Mean Differences (Aqua-Terra) Are Less Than 1 Wm⁻² For LW and SW and Less Than 1.5 Wm⁻² For Net. Clear-sky Fluxes Differences Are Less Than 2.6 Wm⁻²



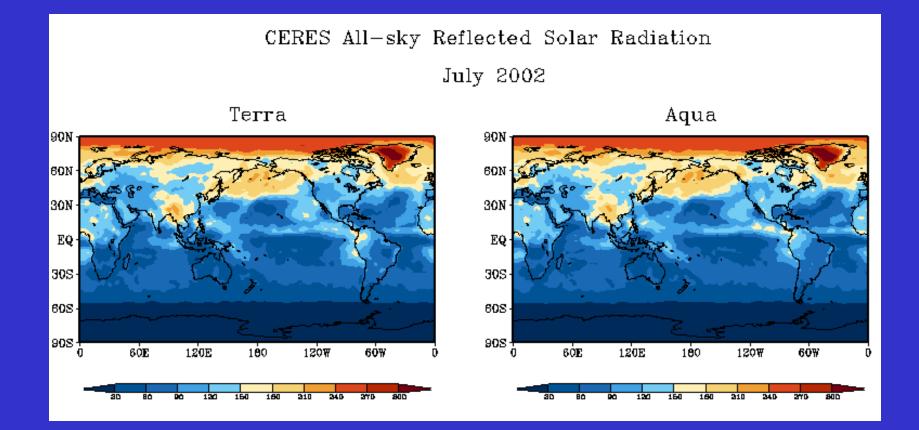


Extra Materials





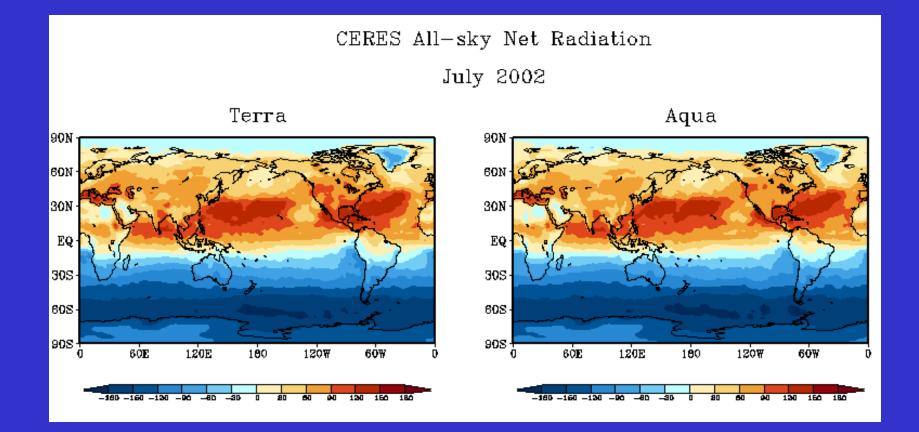
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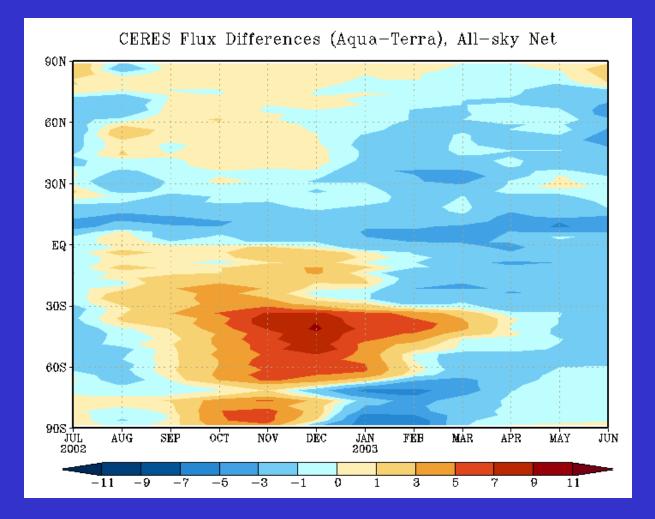


Terra and Aqua Net Flux, July 2002





Aqua - Terra Zonal Mean Net Differences







Aqua - Terra Zonal Mean Clr Net Differences

