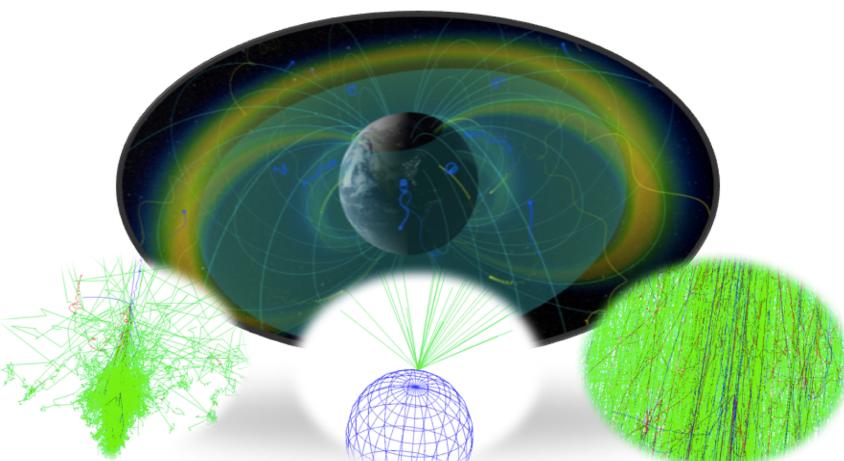


Inaugural Workshop on Applications of
Cosmic Ray Measurements

Tracing the Temporal Variations of Effective Temperature in Earth's Upper Atmosphere with Cosmic Ray Measurements



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Implications of Temperature Measurements

- Investigate climate change
- Build modeling tools to enhance weather forecasting
- Public safety

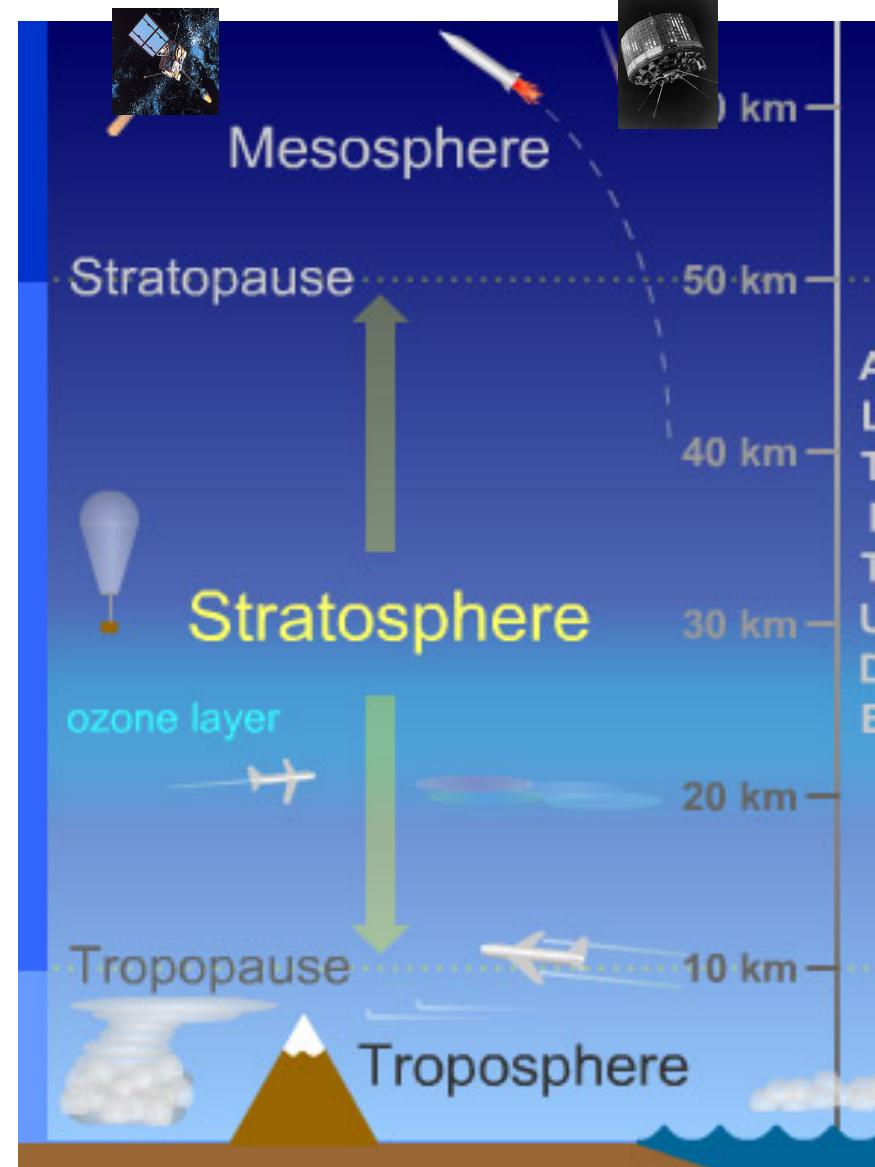


Traditional Methods of Temperature Measurements

Remote Sensing:
Weather Satellites
(Infrared/microwave
radiometer)

Upper air
soundings
(Radiosonde)

Atmospheric
LIDAR



<http://scied.ucar.edu/shortcontent/stratosphere-overview>

Limitations:

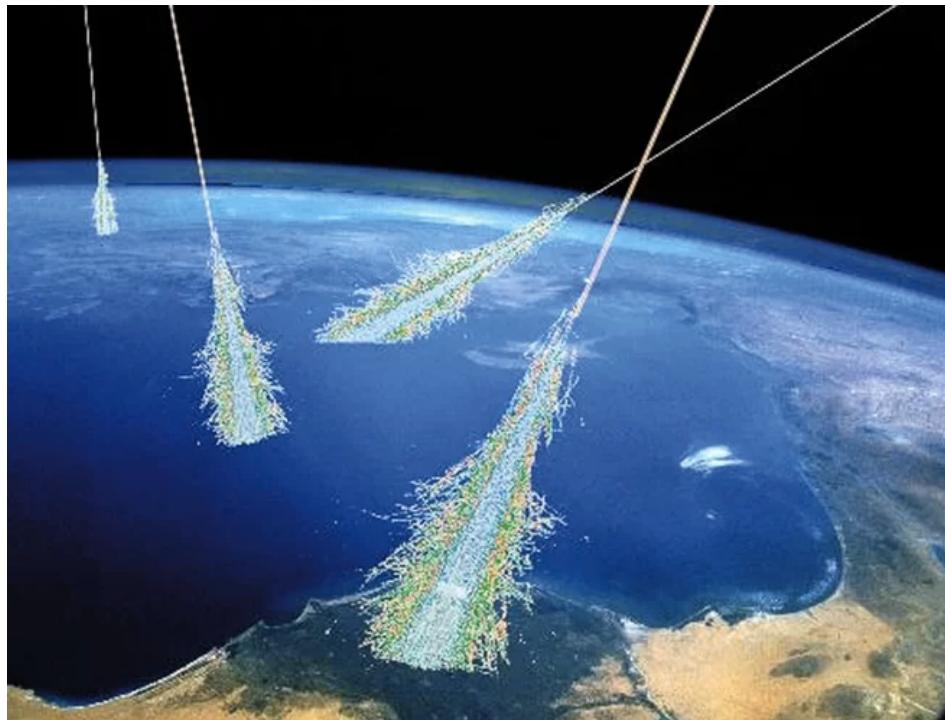
- Sensor performance can be affected by severe weather conditions
- No continuous temporal measurements available

Motivation

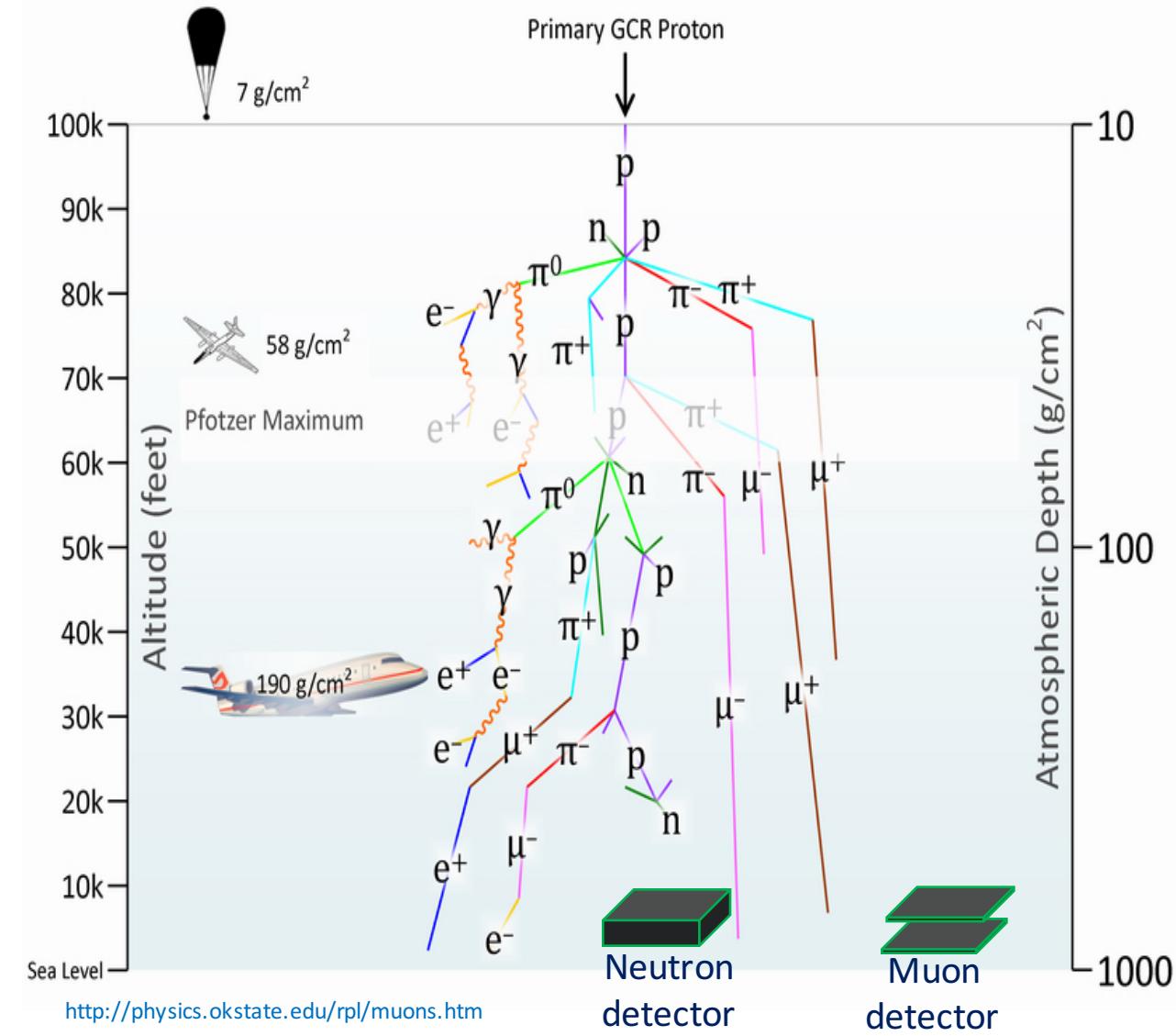
To develop reliable and efficient tools to monitor the dynamical changes of the earth's atmosphere in real – time using cosmic rays.

Cosmic Ray Production in Earth's Atmosphere

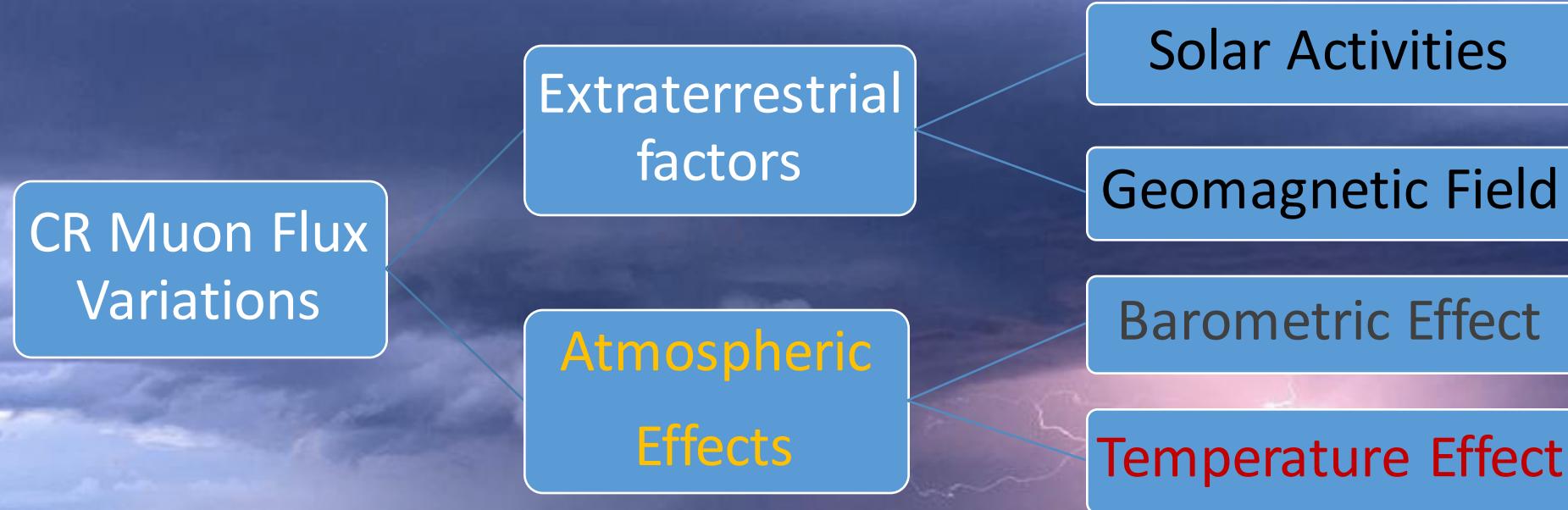
Simon Swordy (U. Chicago), NASA



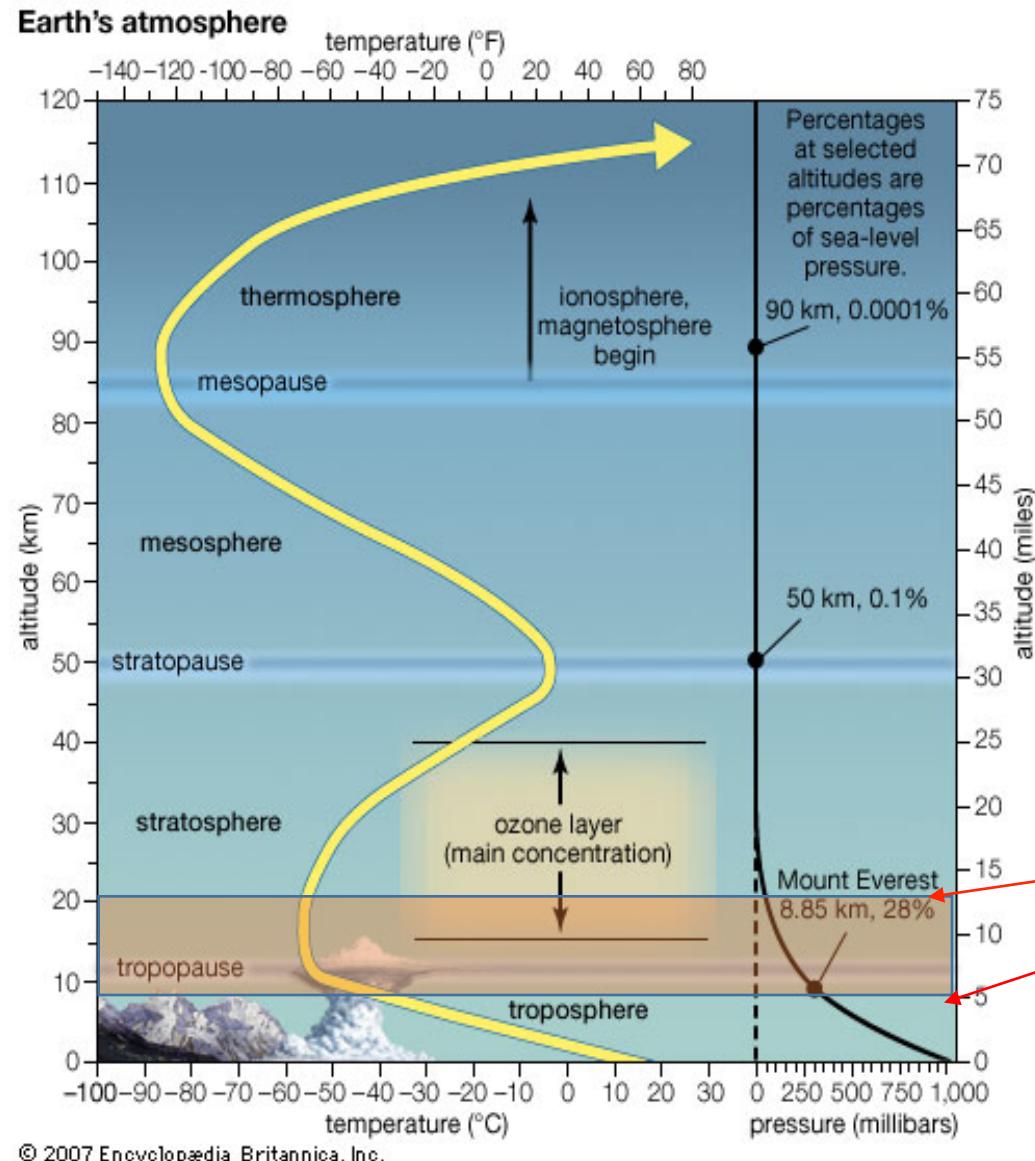
- High energy protons (90%), alpha particles (9%), and heavier nuclei (1%)
- Energies of ($10^9 - 10^{20}$) eV



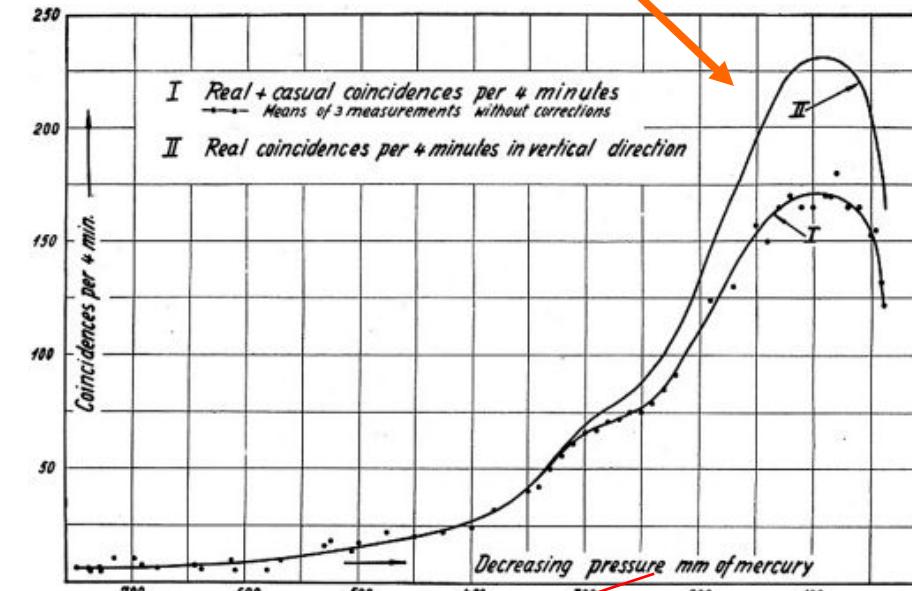
Cosmic Ray Flux Modulation



Atmospheric profile and Muon Production Level



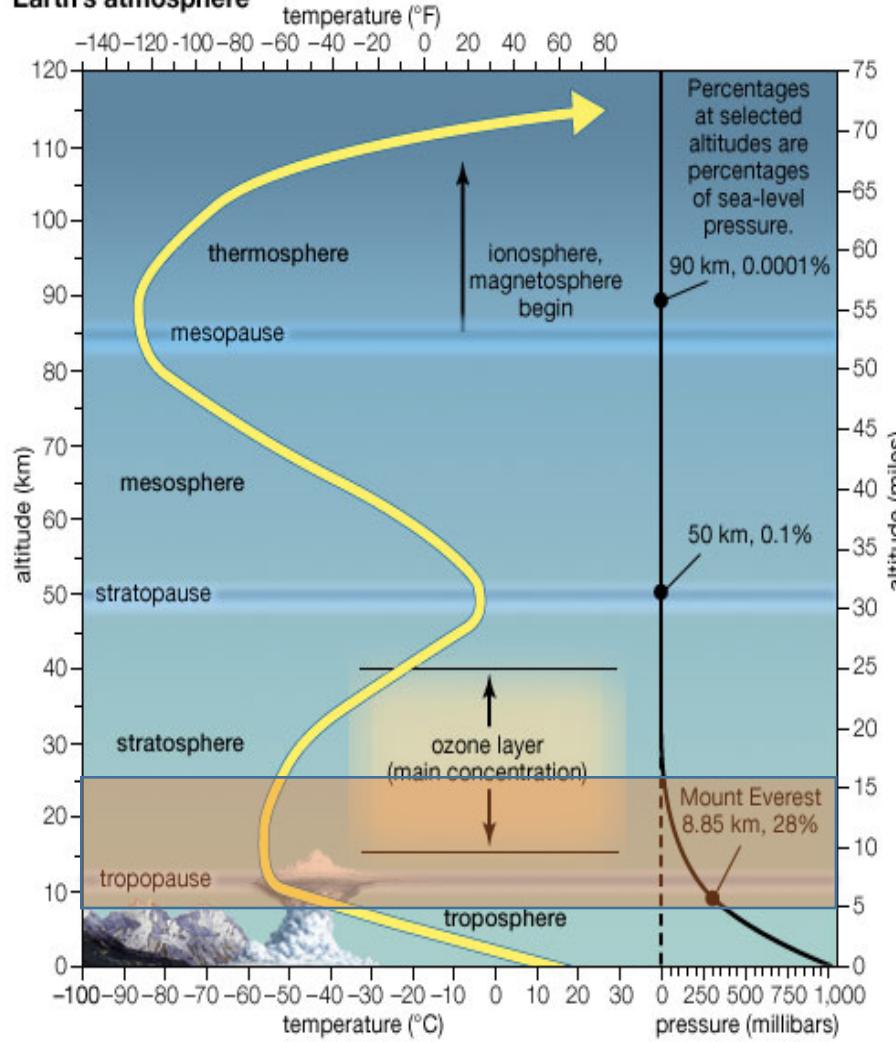
maximum between ~100 - 200 hPa



- Most of the muons are produced in upper troposphere - lower stratosphere region [UT-LS]
- Change in temperature → Change in air density → Muon flux variation

Effective Temperature

Earth's atmosphere



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$$T_{eff} = \frac{\int_{x=0}^{\infty} T(X)W(X)dX}{\int_{x=0}^{\infty} W(X)d(X)}$$

$T(x)$: Temperature at atmospheric depth X

$W(x)$: Weight of atmospheric depth X
 depends on particle production
 at that depth

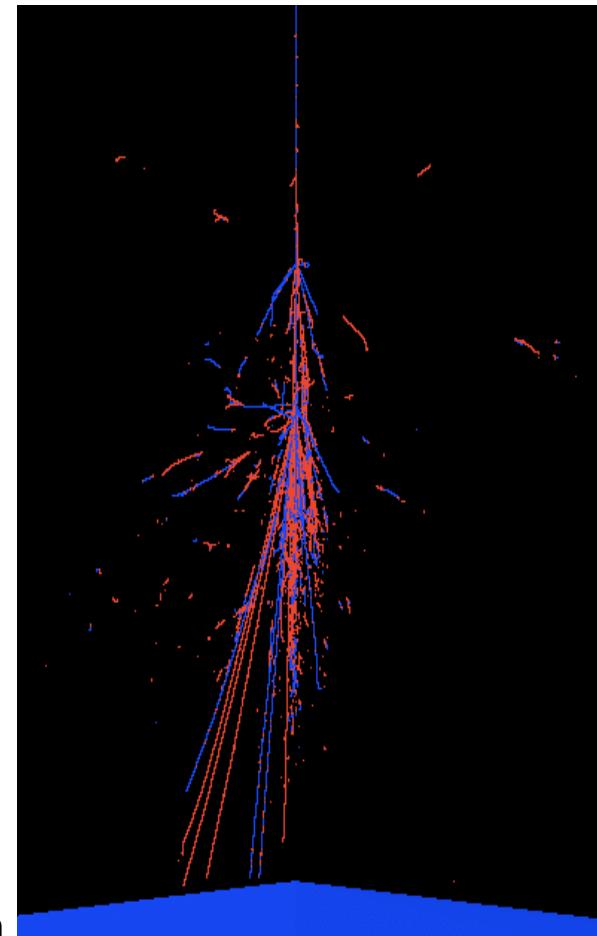
20Km

$$\frac{\delta I_{\mu}}{I_{\mu}^0} = \alpha_T \frac{\delta T_{eff}}{T_{eff}}$$

α_T = Temperature Coefficient:

15Km

0Km



Cosmic Data for Weather Monitoring

Cosmic Rays as Temperature Gauge

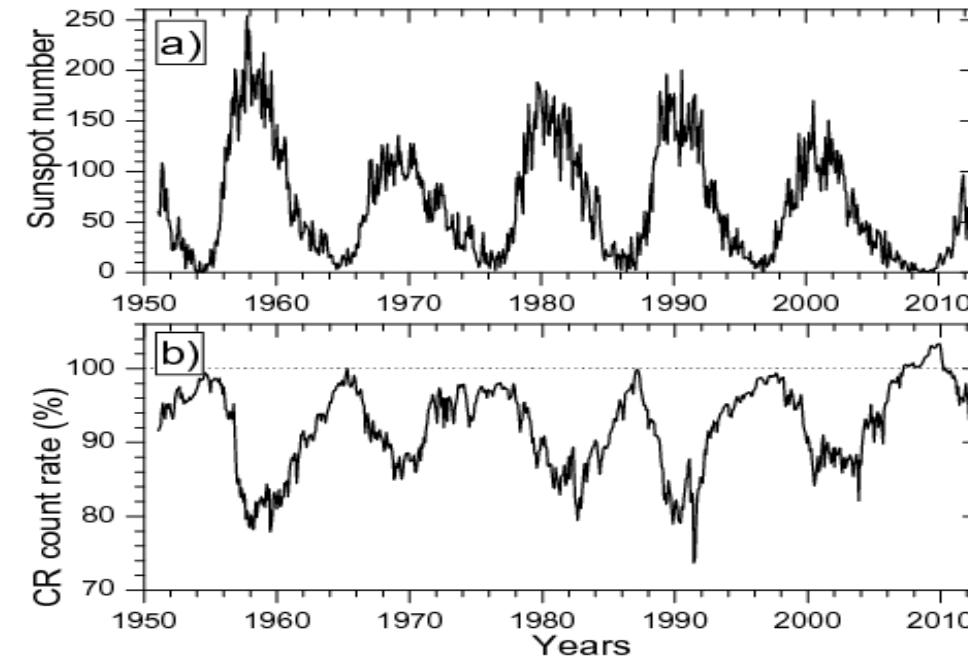
Procedure:

$$\delta I\mu = f(\delta Teff, \delta P, \delta IN) \longrightarrow \delta Teff = g(\delta I\mu, \delta IN, \delta P)$$

[Atmospheric effects]

δP : Change in air pressure

δIN : Neutron Flux variation (to correct the solar effects and primary particle fluctuation) [Extraterrestrial effects]



Regression Method

Dr. Xiohang Zhang,
https://scholarworks.gsu.edu/phy_astr_diss/85/

$$\delta T_{eff} = a\delta I_\mu + b\delta I_N + c\delta I_\mu^2 + d\delta I_N^2 + e\delta I_\mu \cdot \delta I_N$$

Independent Variable
(Observed Data)

Dependent variables
(Model parameters)

Model parameters = 5

$$_n C _k = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

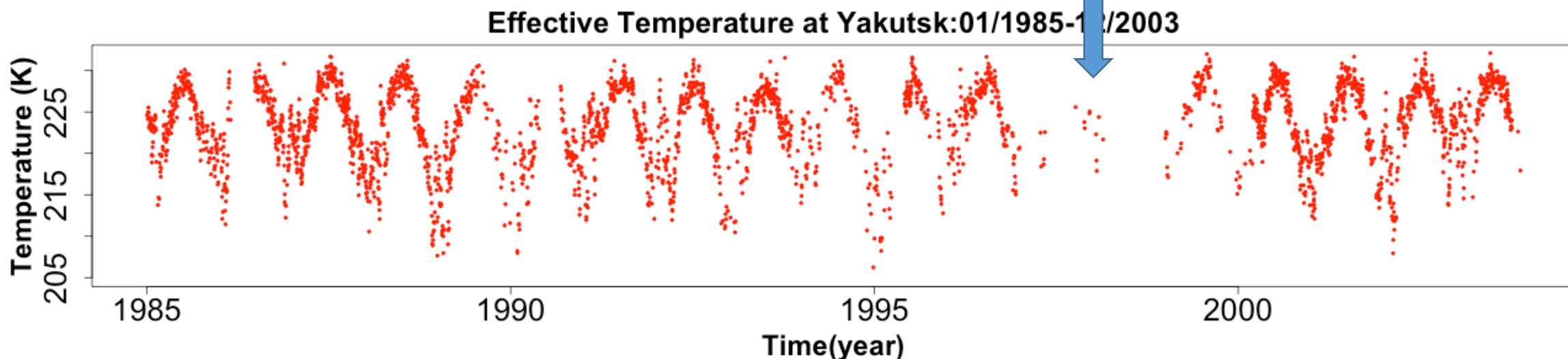
Possible combination: 31
(Model candidates)

- Partial Least Square technique to compare predictive power (RMSE) using cross validation of different models
- Best fit model: Least error

Effective Temperature: using Radiosonde measurements

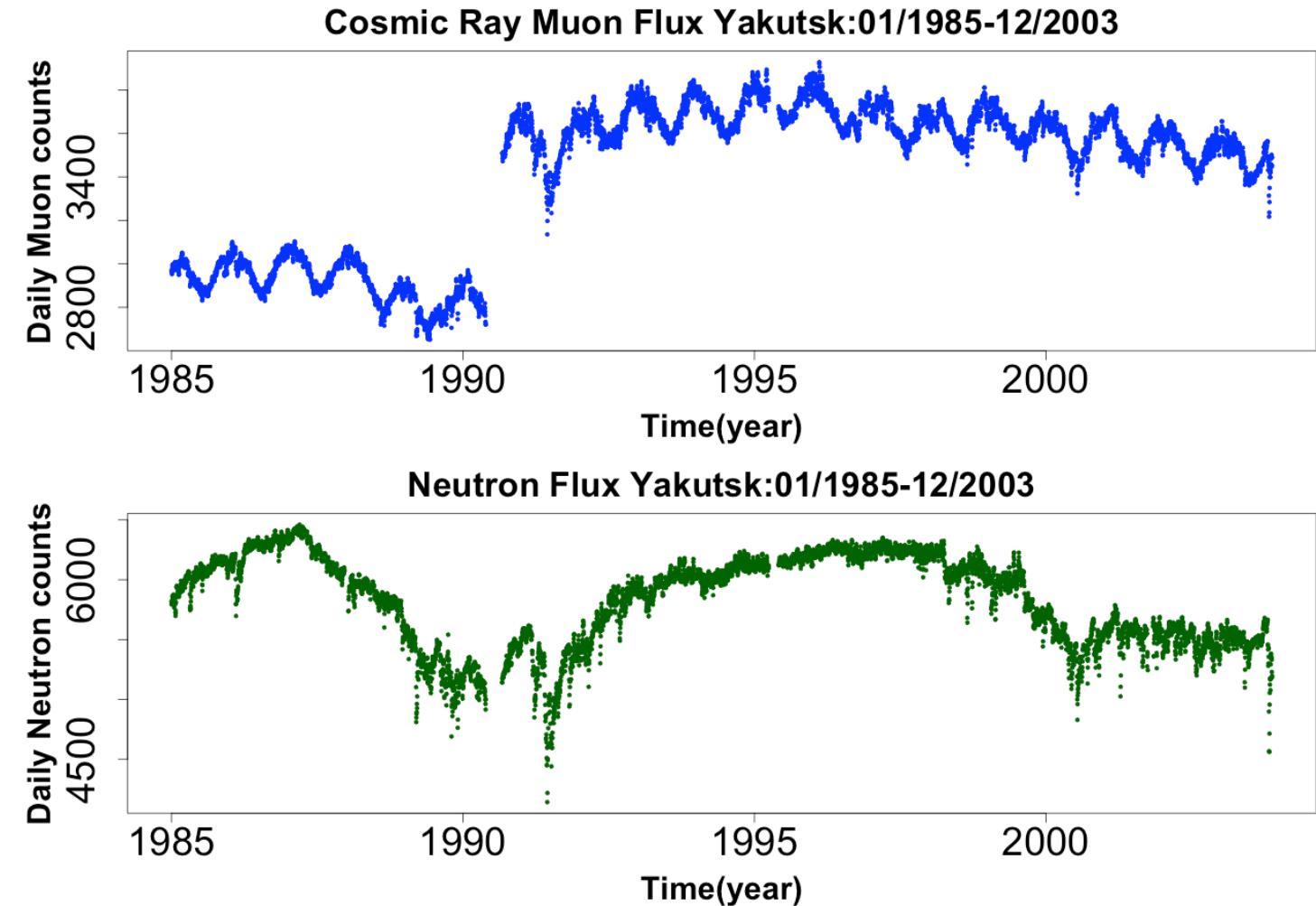
$$T_{eff} = \frac{\int_{x=0}^{\infty} T(X)W(X)dX}{\int_{x=0}^{\infty} W(X)d(X)}$$

Missing Radiosonde Data



- Department of Atmospheric science, Wyoming University

Cosmic Ray Muon and Neutron Counts



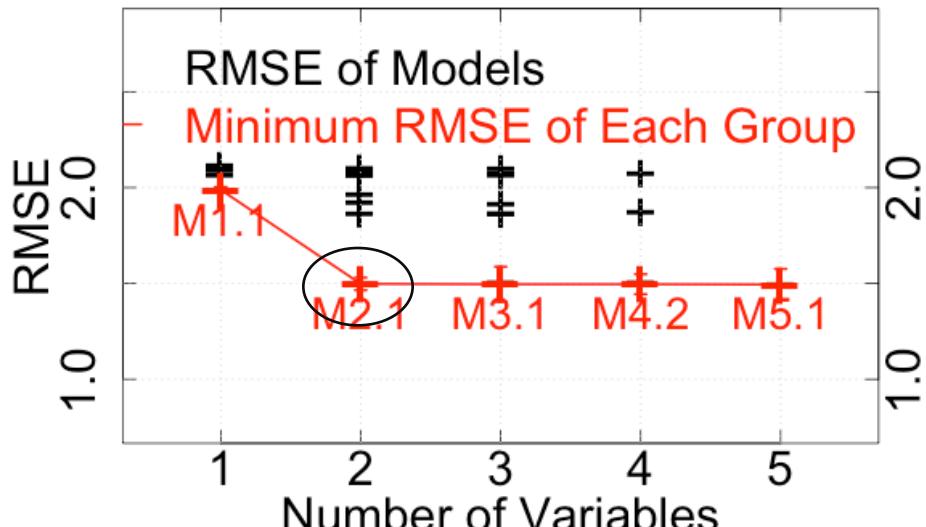
Yu.G. Shafer Institute of Cosmophysical Research and Aeronomy,
Yakutsk- Russia

Regression analysis and Predictive Power

$$\delta T_{eff} = a\delta I_\mu + b\delta I_N + c\delta I_\mu^2 + d\delta I_N^2 + e\delta I_\mu \cdot \delta I_N$$

- Total number of model candidates: 31
- Model representation: Ma.b
 - a: number of predictors (group number)
 - b: sequence in the group

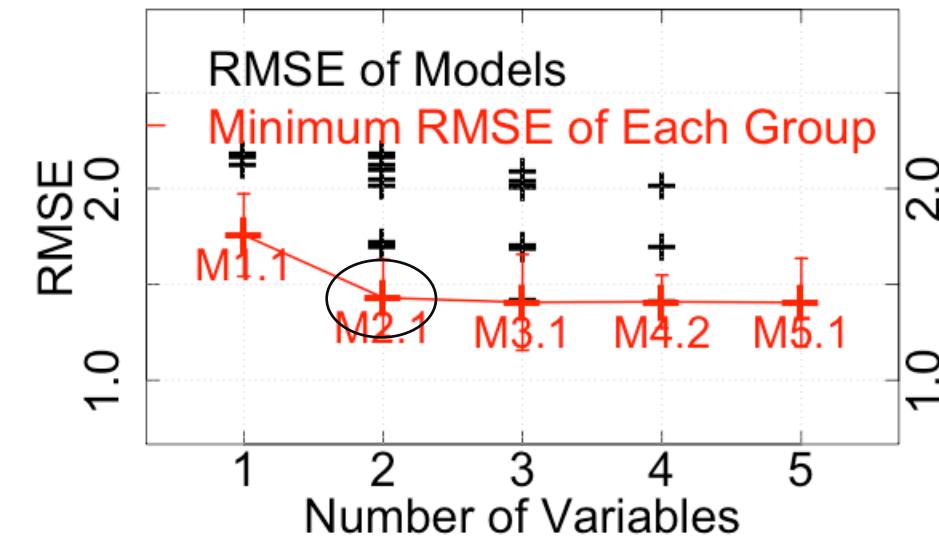
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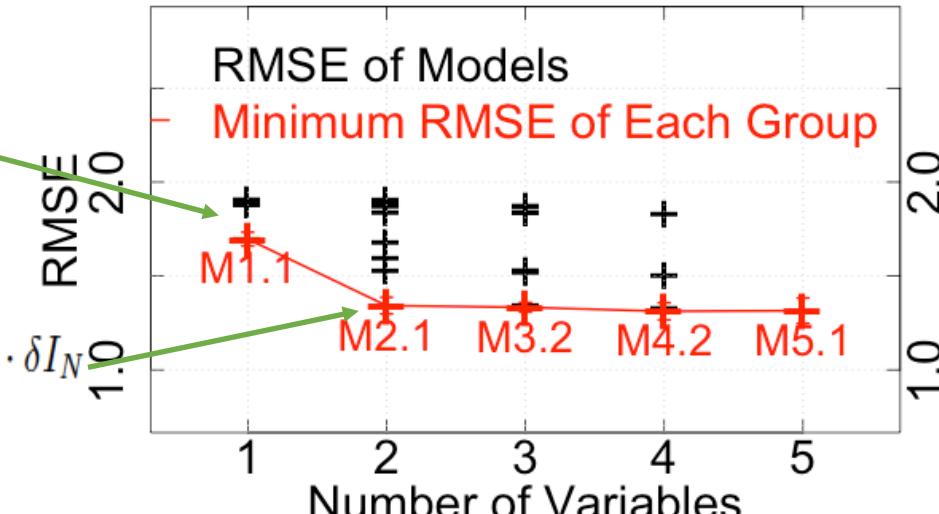
$$\delta T_{eff} = \alpha \cdot \delta I_\mu$$

$$\delta T_{eff} = \alpha \cdot \delta I_\mu + \beta \cdot \delta I_N$$

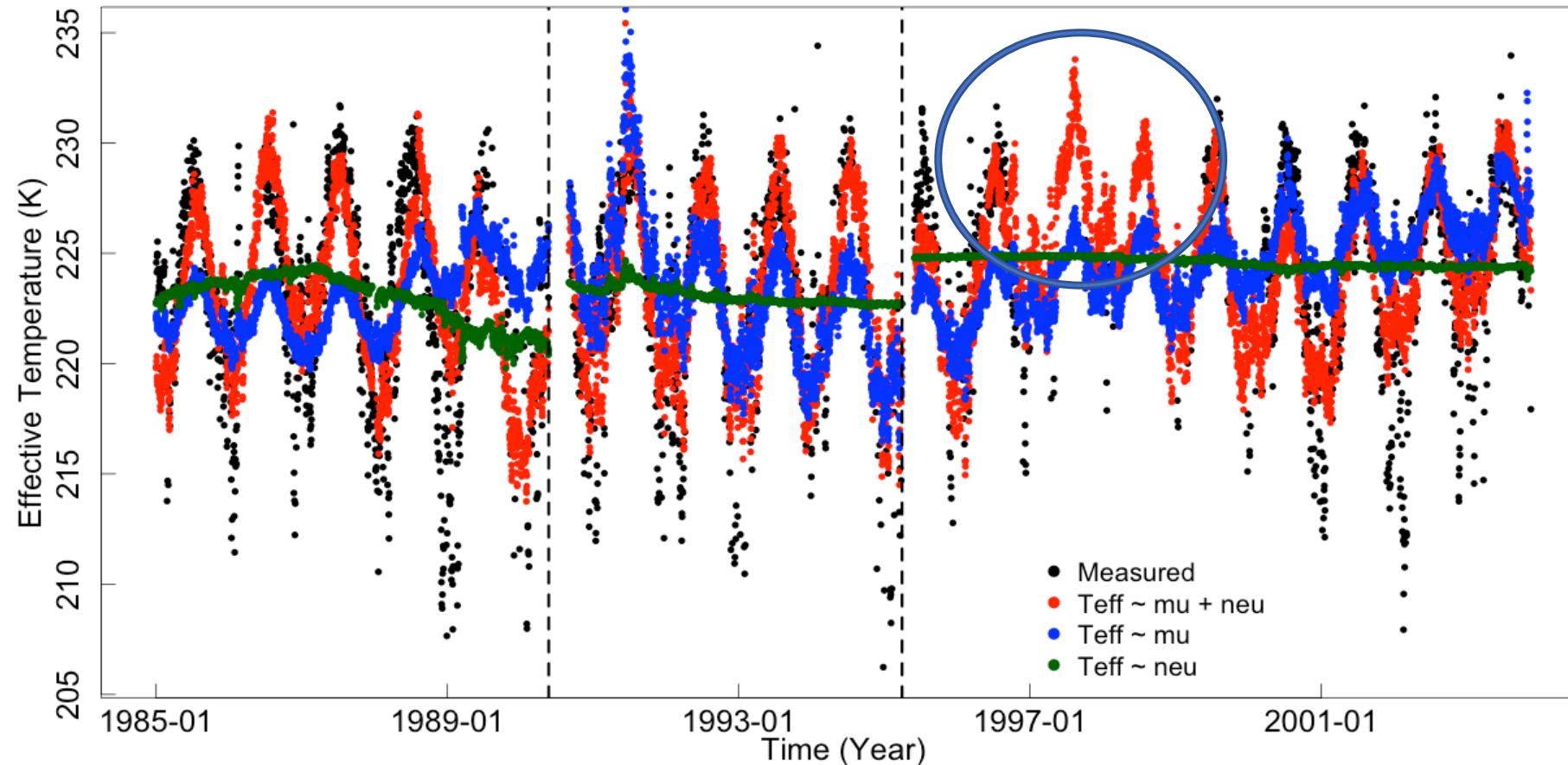
Solar cycle 22 09/1990 - 03/1995



Solar cycle 23 06/1995 - 11/2003



Reconstruction of Effective Temperature Using CR Data

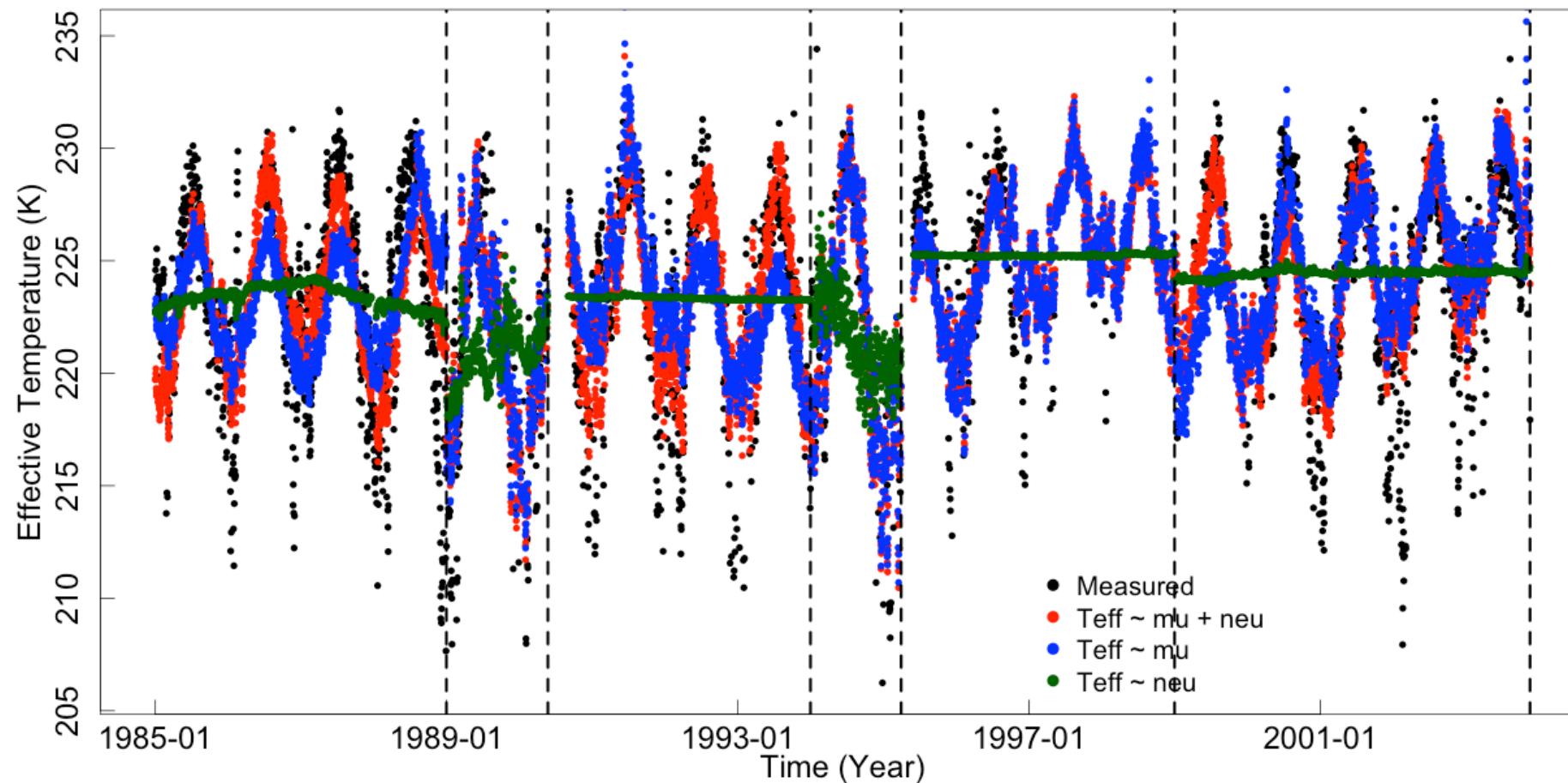


- Regression was performed and T_{eff} was constructed separately on three different datasets corresponding to three time periods to compare the results and plotted together.

Effect of Short-term Analysis

- Do we still get the same results (Predictive Models) for shorter time period
- Role of neutrons?

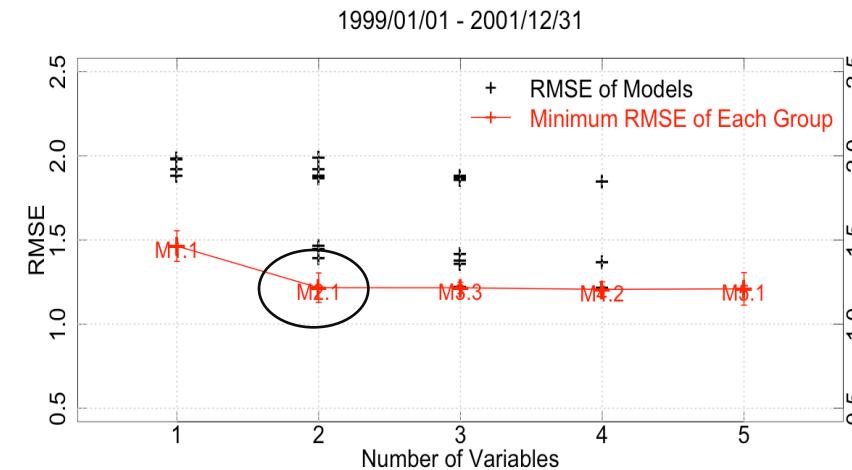
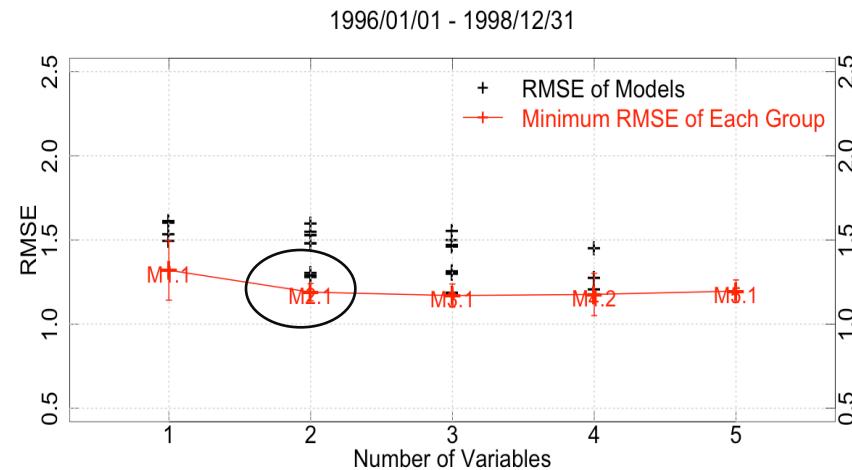
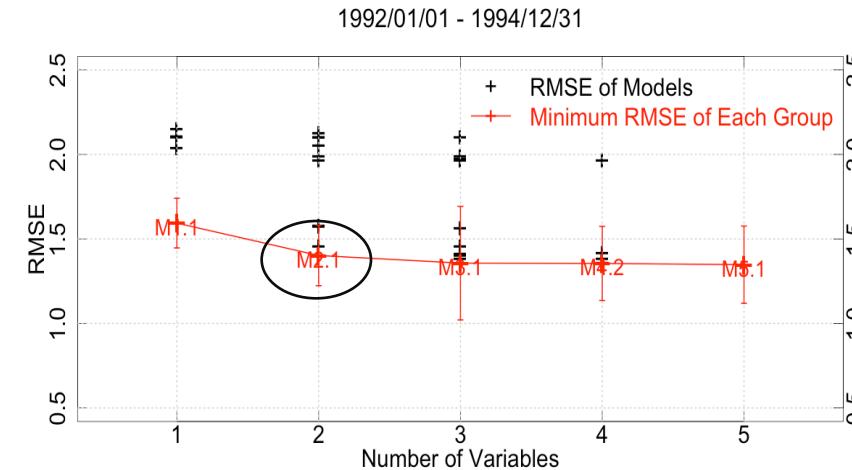
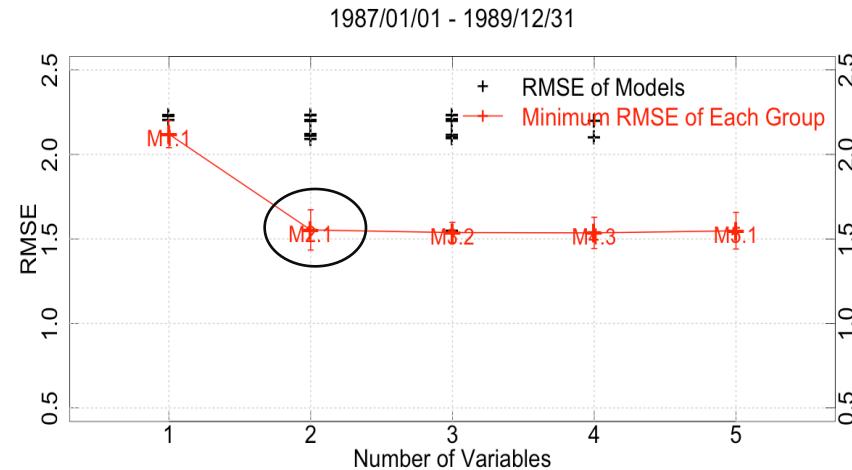
Reconstruction of Effective Temperature (Regression analysis on every 4 years of CR data)



- Regression was performed T_{eff} was reconstructed separately for each sub dataset.
- Model $T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_\mu + I_N)$ gives best fit for most subsets.

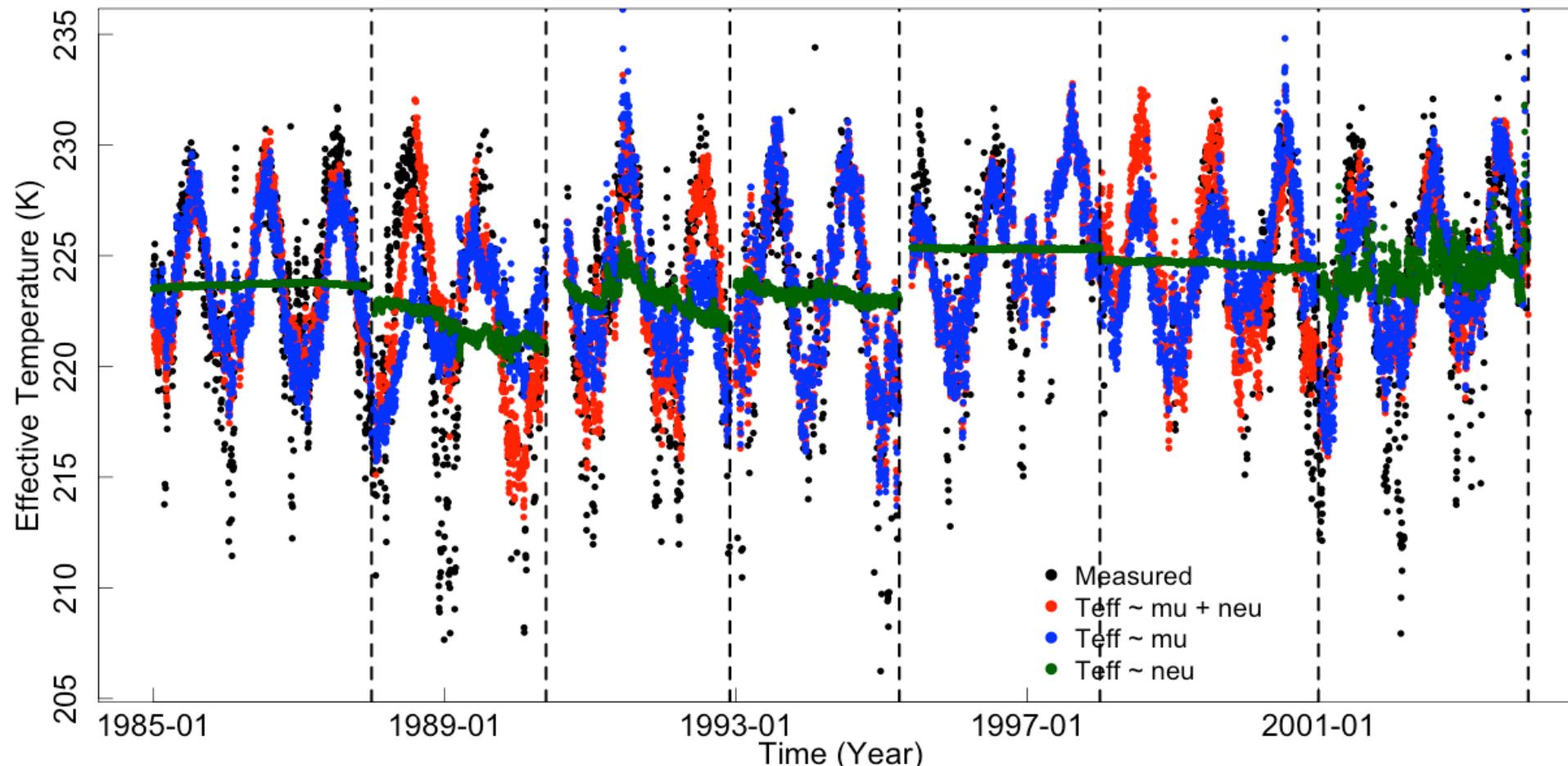
Periodic analysis: 3 years data

Predictive Power Comparison



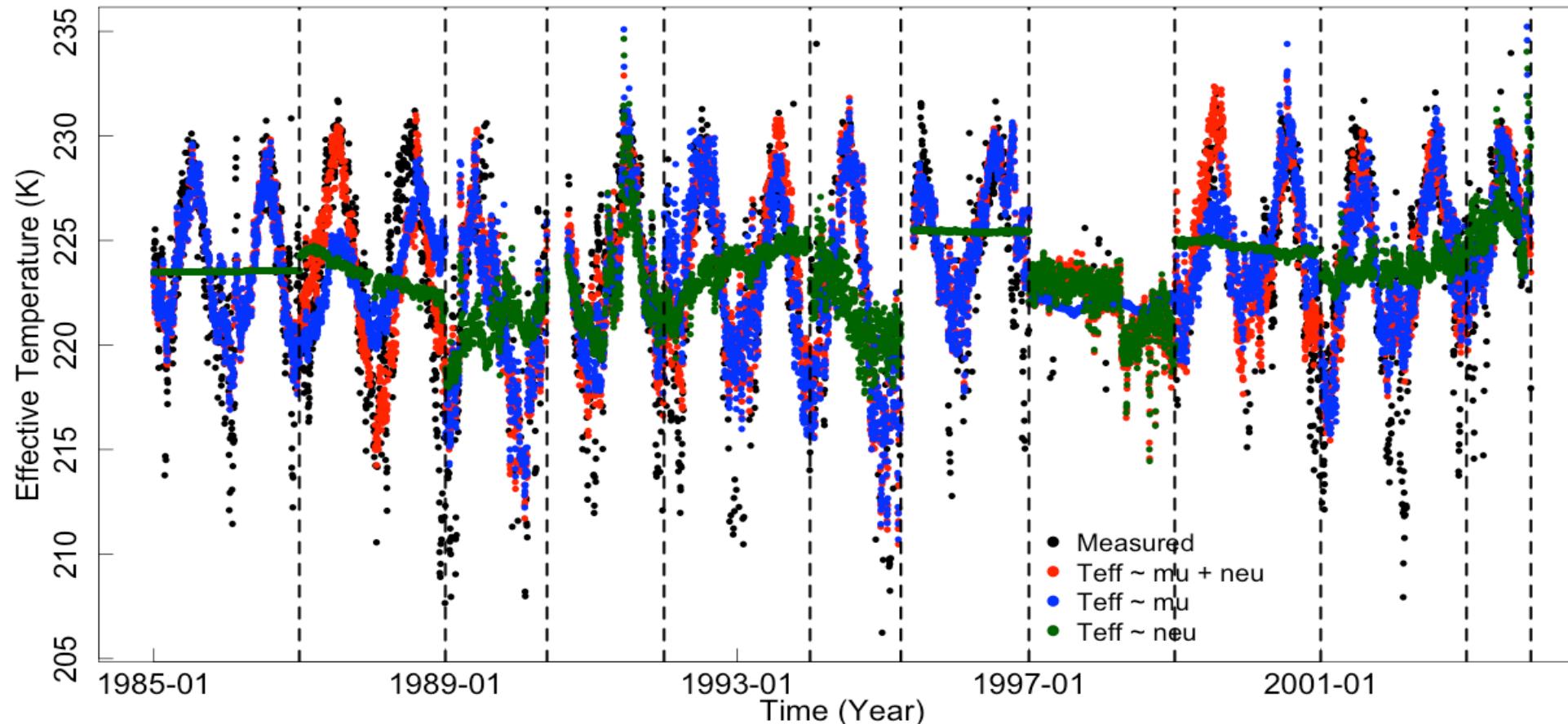
Reconstruction of Effective Temperature

(Regression analysis on every 3 years of CR data)



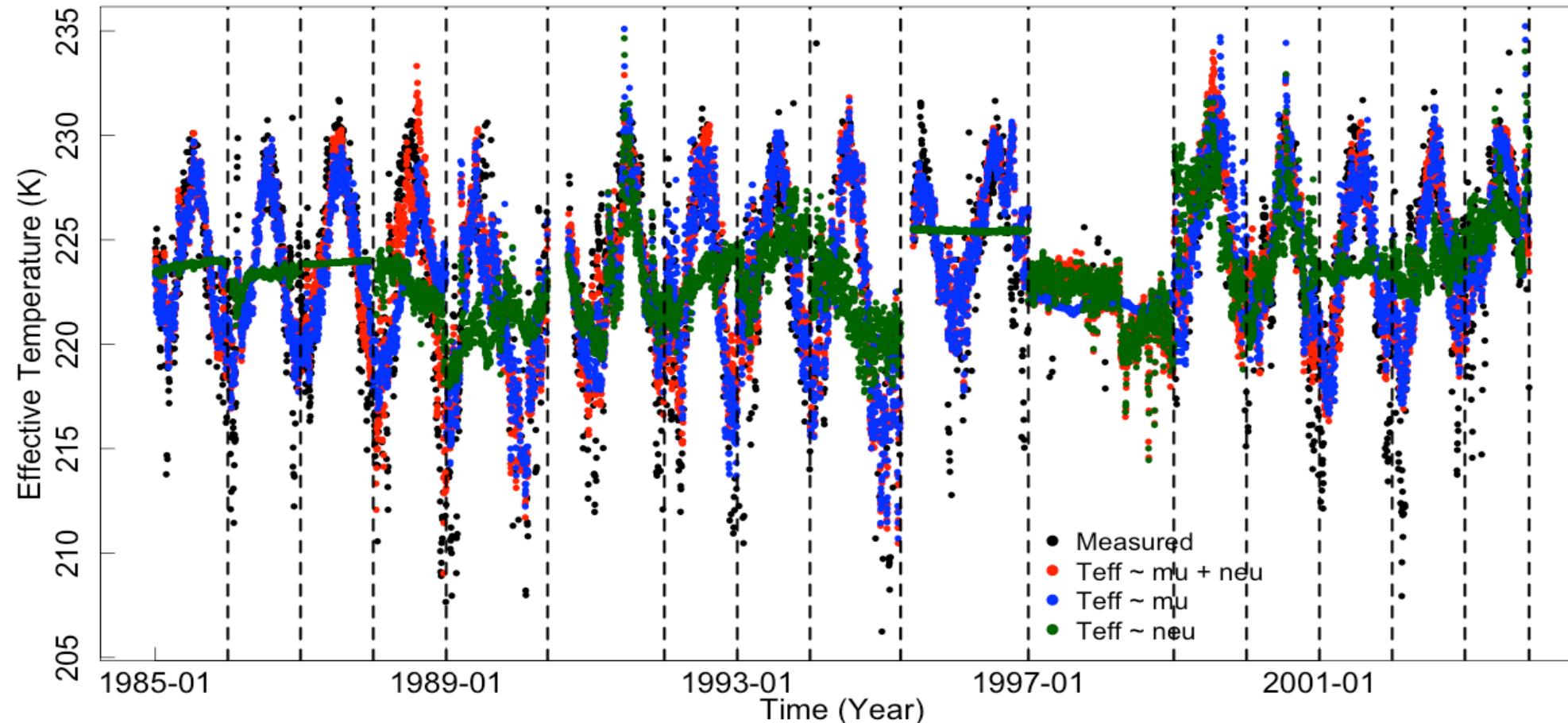
- Regression was performed T_{eff} was reconstructed separately for each sub dataset.
- Model $T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_\mu + I_N)$ gives best fit for most subsets.

Reconstruction of Effective Temperature (Regression analysis on every 2 years CR data)



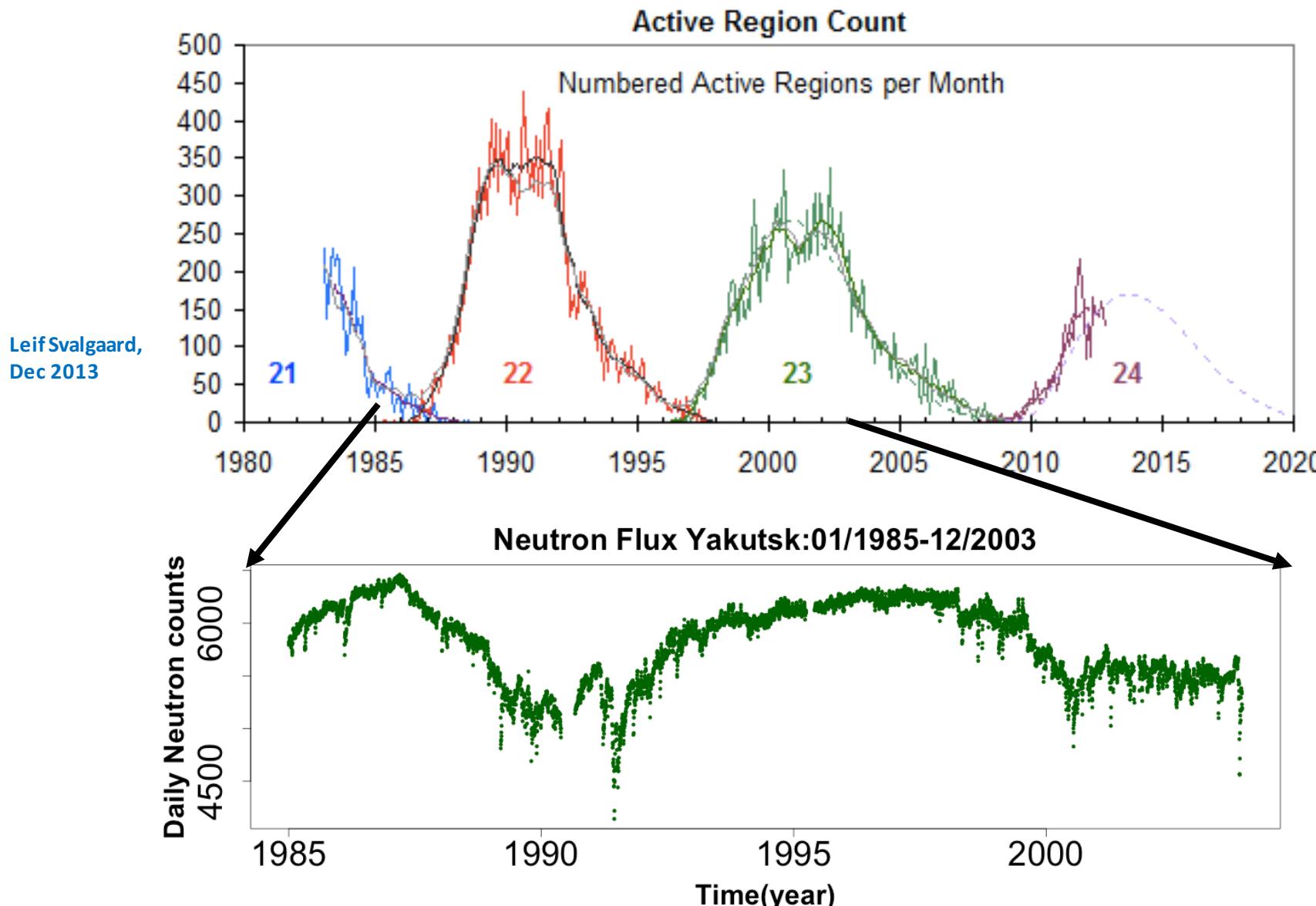
- Regression was performed T_{eff} was reconstructed separately for each sub dataset.
- Model $T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_{\mu})$ gets better to capture T_{eff} values for most time intervals.

Reconstruction of Effective Temperature (Regression analysis on yearly CR data)



- Regression was performed T_{eff} was reconstructed separately for each sub dataset.
- Model $T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_\mu)$ gets as good as the model $T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_\mu + I_N)$.

Effect of Solar Cycle and Neutron Variation

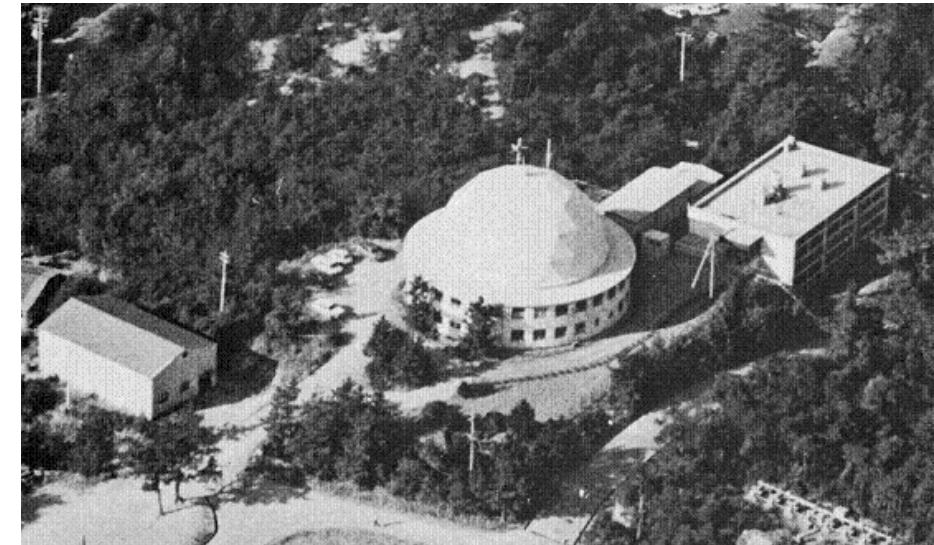


Neutron plays role in the long term analysis (modelling) of effective temperature due to 11 solar cycle modulation

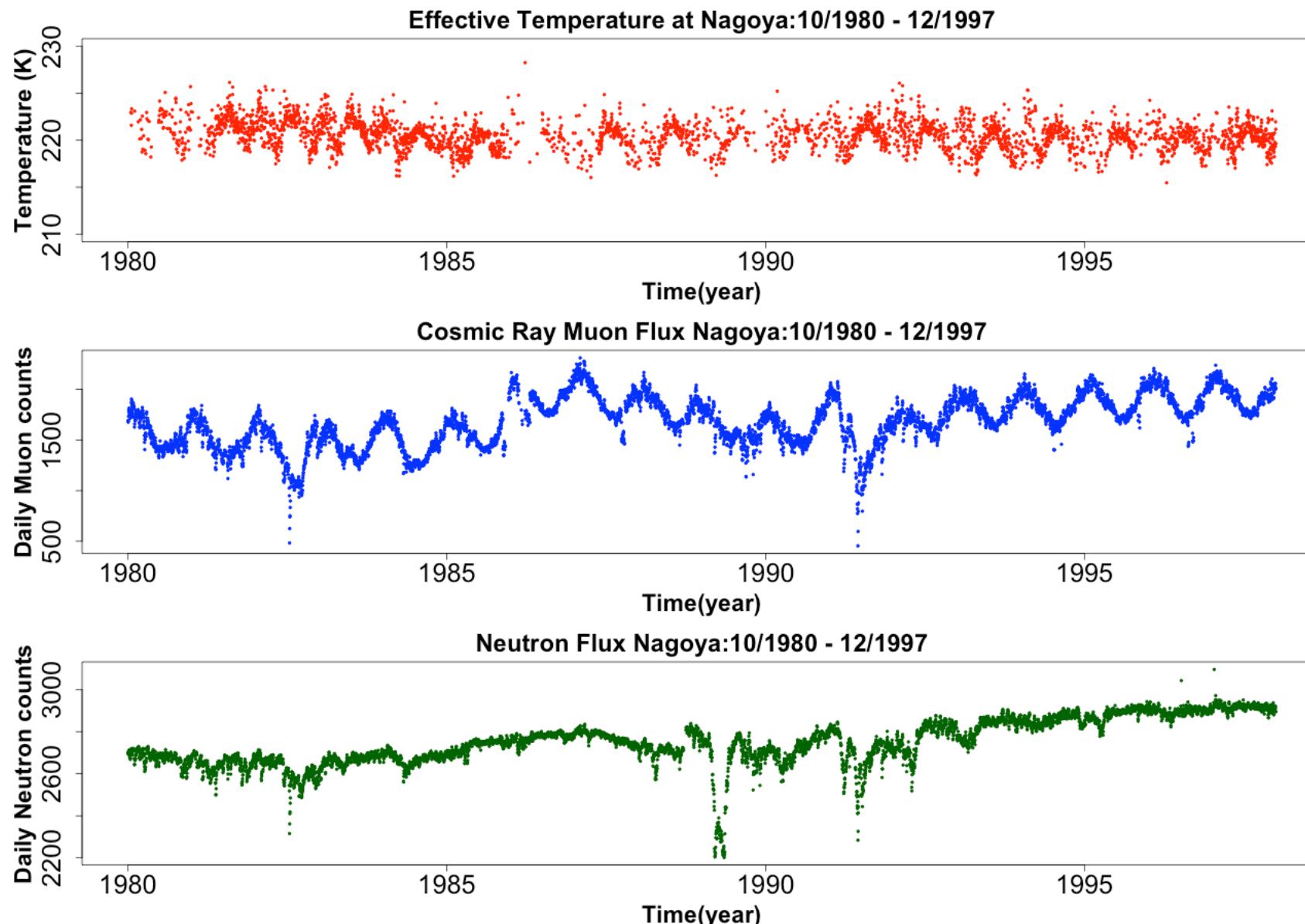
Effective Temperature calculation for Nagoya, Japan

NAGOYA UNIVERSITY, NAGOYA JAPAN

- Muon Telescope (Nagoya, Japan)
- Neutron monitor (Mt. Norikura, Japan)
- Radiosonde data was obtained for nearest station: Hamamatsu



Effective Temperature, Muon And Neutron Data: Nagoya (1980-1997)



- Regression was performed for datasets corresponding different time durations.
- T_{eff} was reconstructed separately for each dataset
- T_{eff} was reconstructed for three models:

$$T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_{\mu} + I_N)$$

$$T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_{\mu})$$

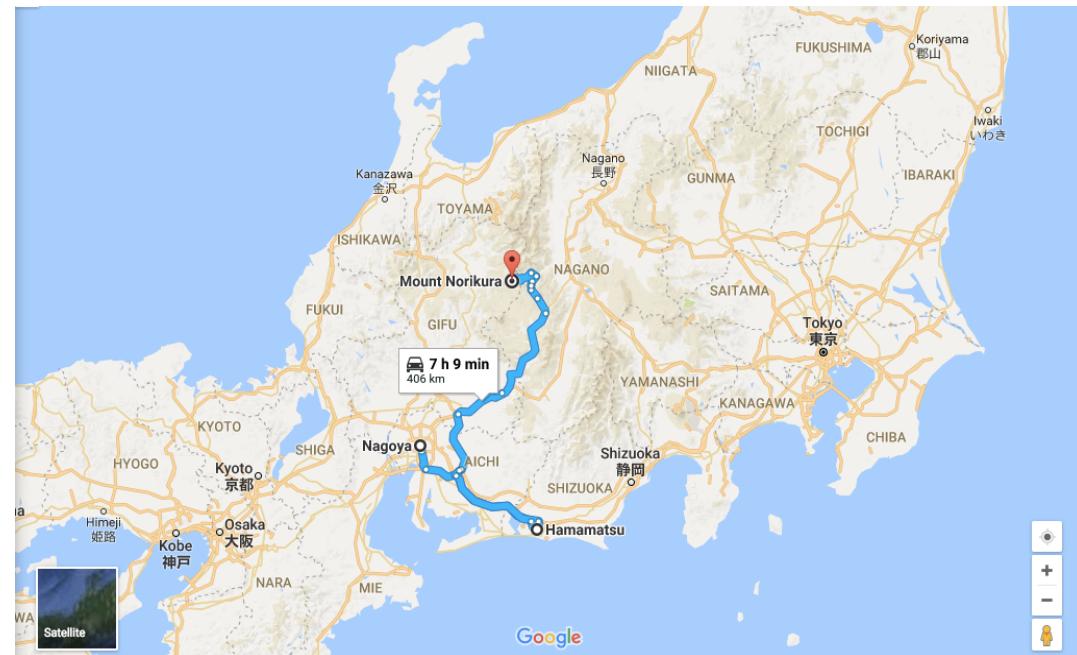
$$T_{\text{eff}} = f(I_N)$$

Unsuccessful mapping of Teff at Nagoya

Reason:

- The Radiosonde temperature measurements were taken at Hamamatsu
- Distance from Nagoya to Hamamatsu = 112Km
- Distance from Nagoya to Mt. Norikura = 241Km

In order to find a statistical model to calculate Effective Temperature, both Cosmic ray data and radiosonde information shall be available at same location.



Summary

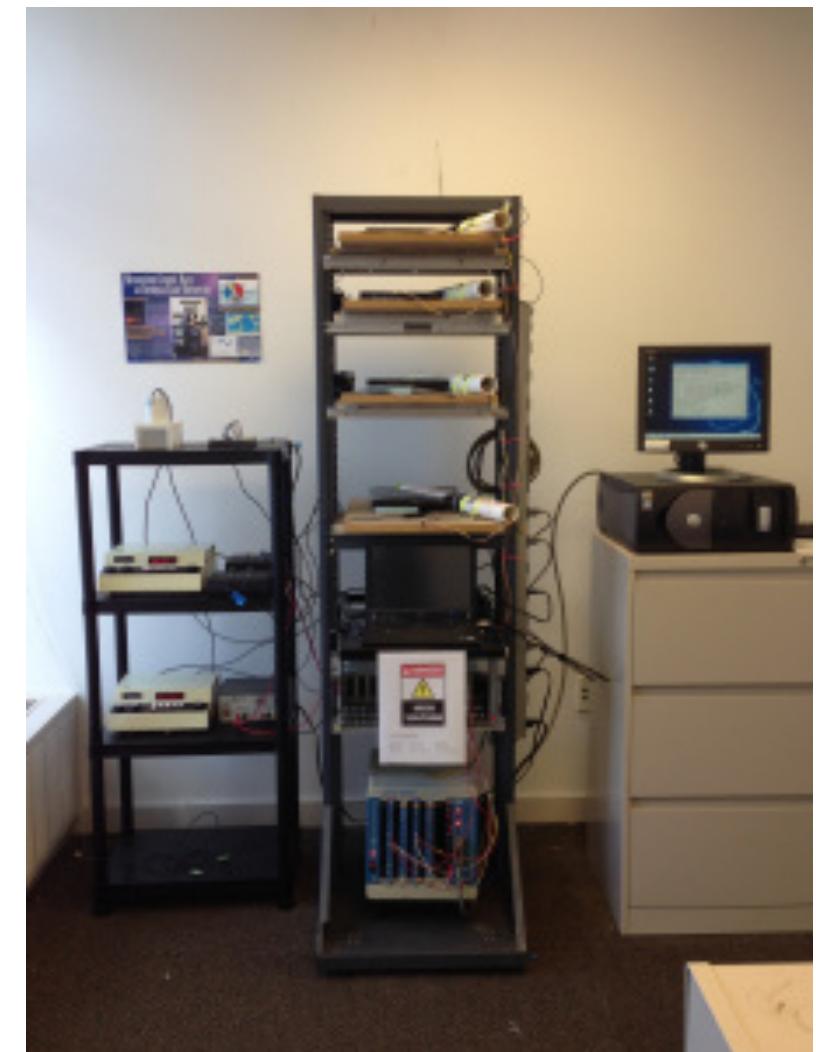
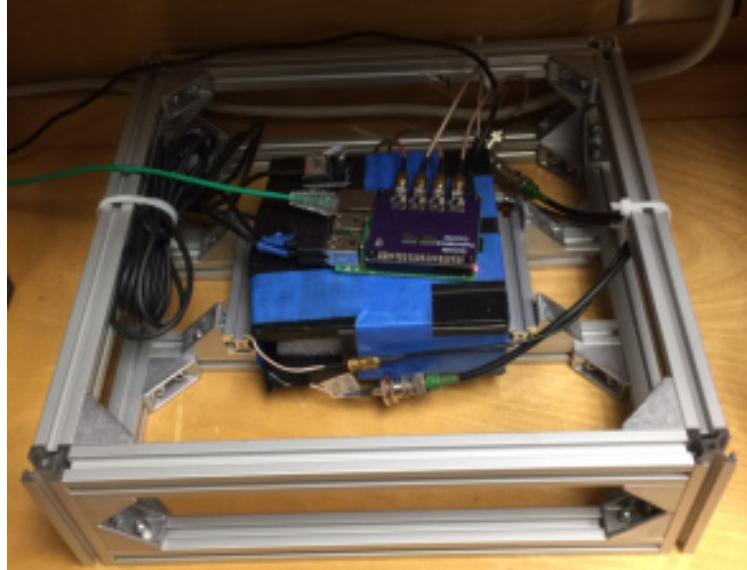
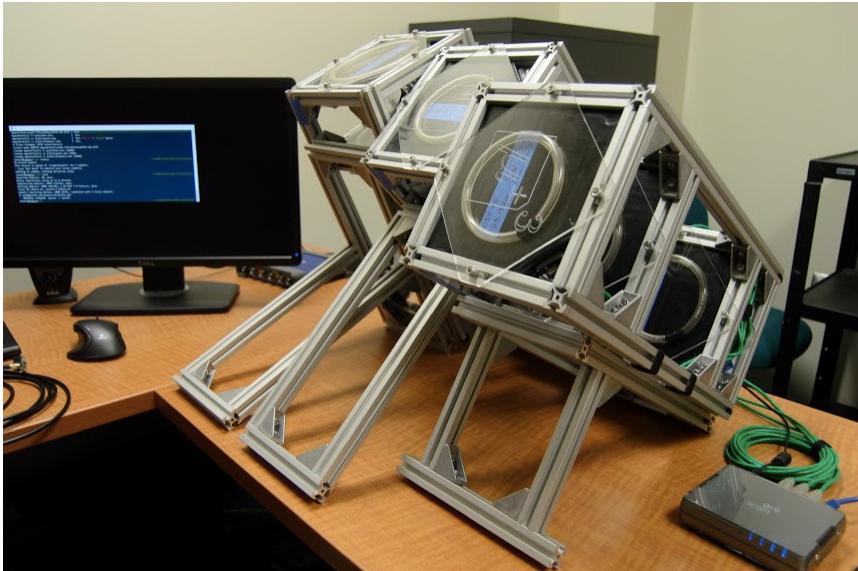
- Effective Temperature was reconstructed using cosmic ray (muon and neutron) data: Cosmic ray behaving as long distance thermometer!!
- T_{eff} can be predicted (past events) using available CR records.
- To model Effective temperature, both Radiosonde and CR needs to be available at the same location.
- For short term weather prediction, Muon flux is sufficient but neutrons are needed to correct long term solar modulation.

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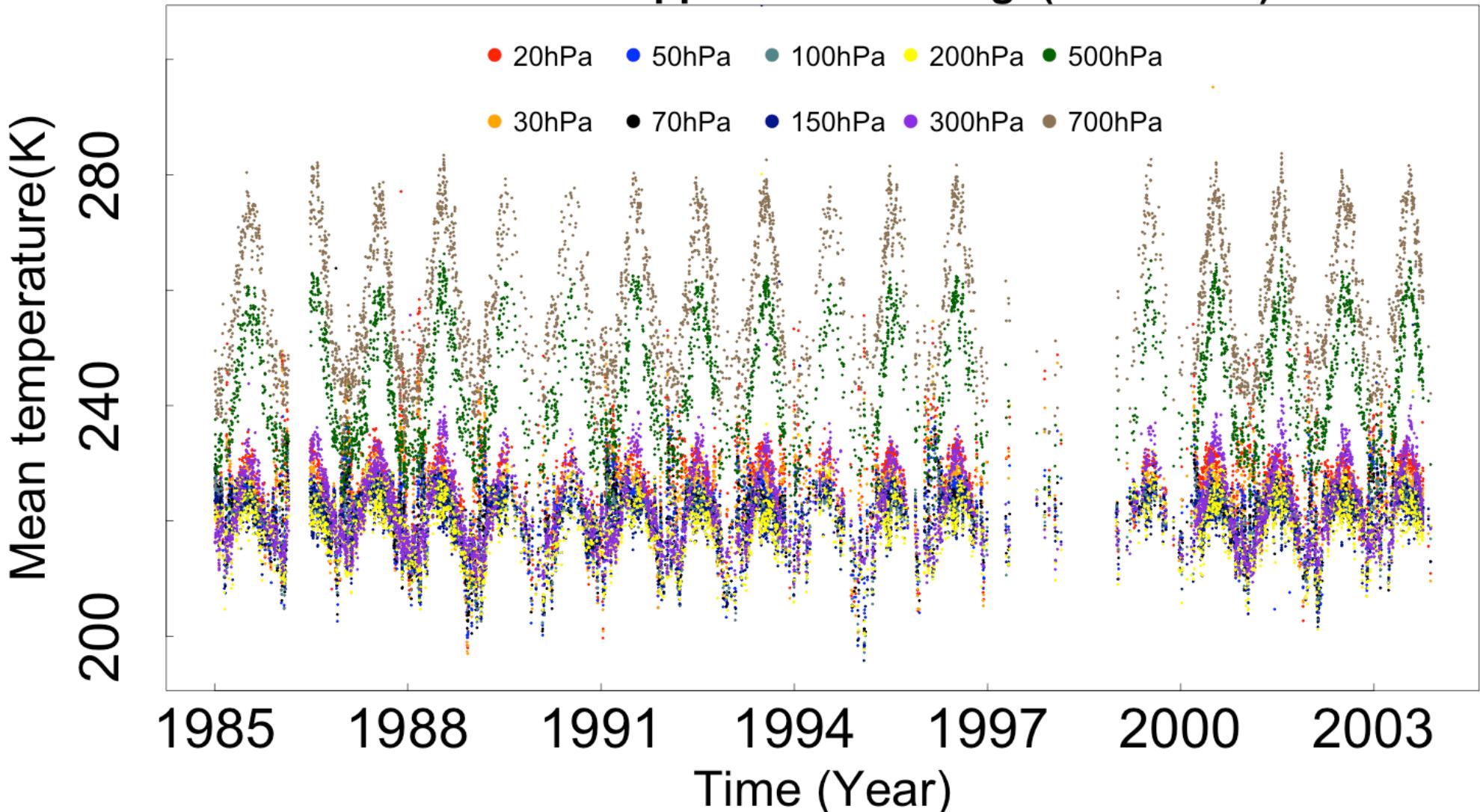
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BACK-UP SLIDES

Cosmic Ray Detectors at GSU



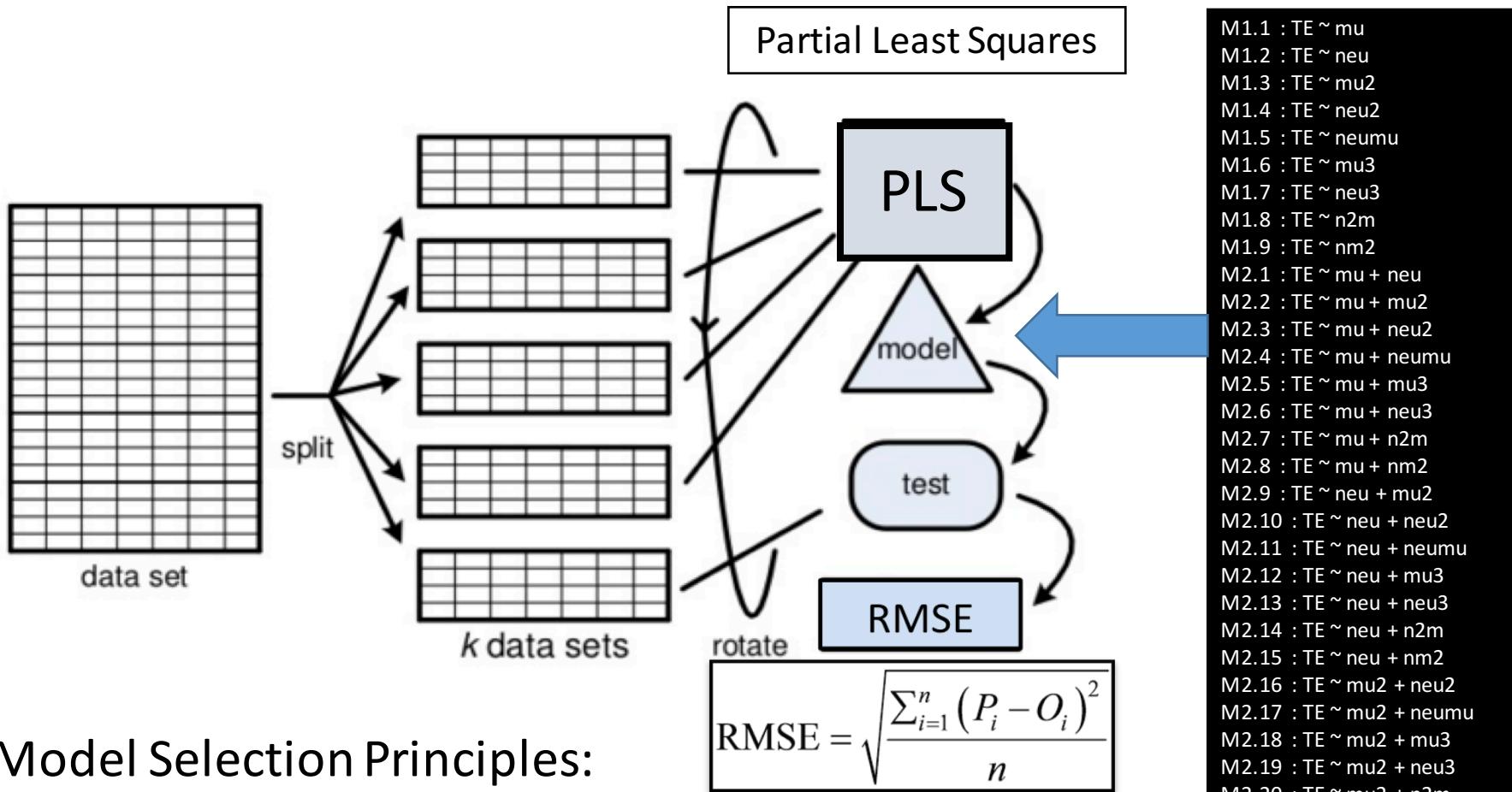
Atmospheric Temperature Yakutsk: Upper air soundings(1985-2003)



- Downloaded from Wyoming University upper air soundings records.
- Weather station: Yakutsk (24959)

Evaluate Predicting Performance of Models

– K-fold Cross Validation

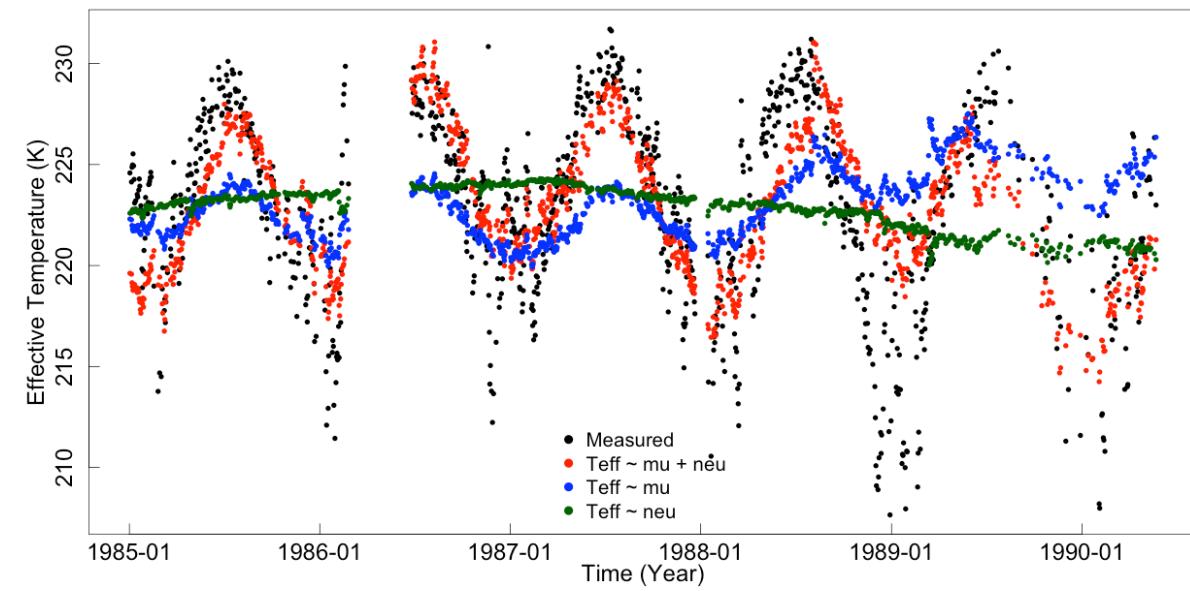


Model Selection Principles:

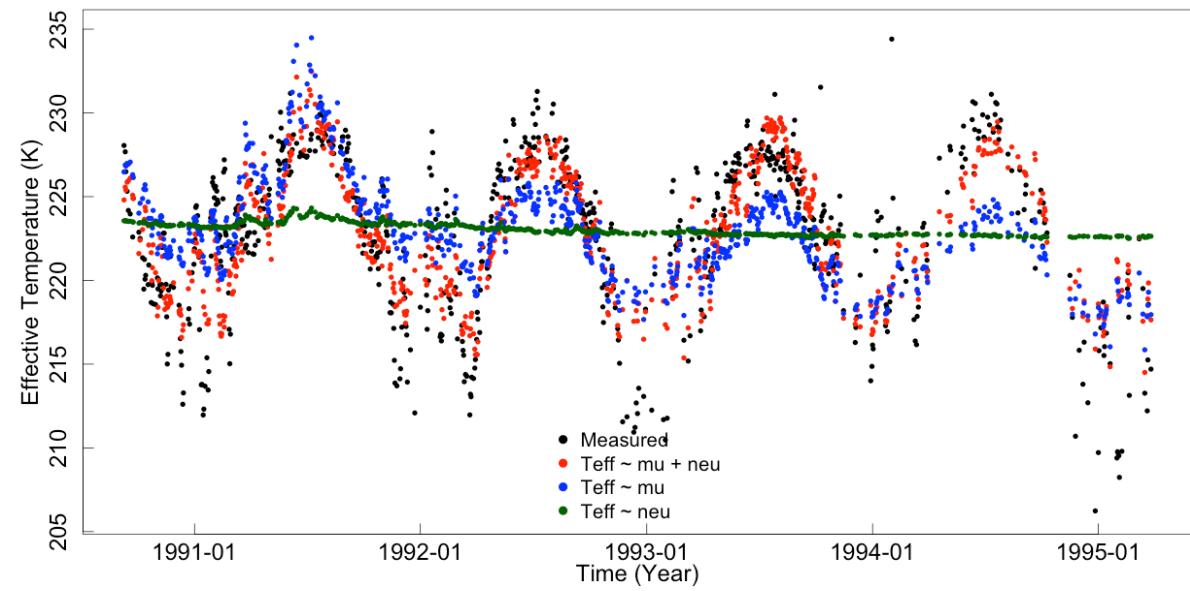
- Choose the one that has the least RMSE
- choose the simplest one

M1.1 : TE ~ mu
M1.2 : TE ~ neu
M1.3 : TE ~ mu2
M1.4 : TE ~ neu2
M1.5 : TE ~ neumu
M1.6 : TE ~ mu3
M1.7 : TE ~ neu3
M1.8 : TE ~ n2m
M1.9 : TE ~ nm2
M2.1 : TE ~ mu + neu
M2.2 : TE ~ mu + mu2
M2.3 : TE ~ mu + neu2
M2.4 : TE ~ mu + neumu
M2.5 : TE ~ mu + mu3
M2.6 : TE ~ mu + neu3
M2.7 : TE ~ mu + n2m
M2.8 : TE ~ mu + nm2
M2.9 : TE ~ neu + mu2
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M2.11 : TE ~ neu + neumu
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M2.15 : TE ~ neu + nm2
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M2.24 : TE ~ neu2 + neu3
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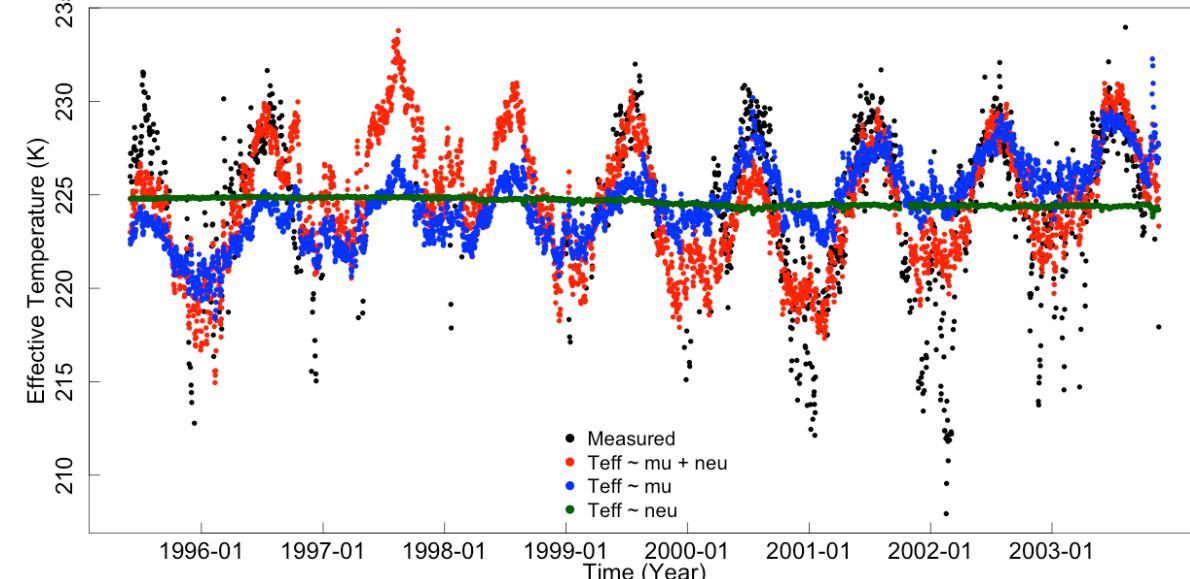
Effective Temperature at Yakutsk(01/1985 - 05/1990)



Effective Temperature at Yakutsk(09/1990 - 03/1995)



Effective Temperature at Yakutsk(06/1995 - 11/2003)



Regression Coefficients

mu	mu , neu	neu
-0.2212119	-0.6046357, 0.2853218	0.0697698
-0.4678745	-0.8353385, 0.2255857	-0.02592697
-0.3140509	-0.6880383, 0.2573893	0.01623815