### 4 Trace substance mass budgets, surface cycling:

**Emissions, deposition, re-volatilisation** 



 $-dm_{i}/dt = sources - sinks = E - S = E - (k_{degrad}^{(1)} + k_{dep}^{(1)}) m_{i} = m_{i}/\tau [g/s]$ 

 $-dc_{i}/dt = E - S = F_{em}/h - (k_{degrad}^{(1)} + k_{dep}^{(1)}) c_{i} = c_{i}/\tau_{air} \qquad [g/m^{3}/s]$ 

- Chemical loss processes of i are 1<sup>st</sup> order in c<sub>i</sub>
- Source processes of i are 0<sup>th</sup> order in c<sub>i</sub>

Depositional loss processes are here expressed as  $1^{st}$  order in  $c_i$  for simplicity For  $dm_i/dt = 0$ , the system is called to be chemically in a <u>steady state</u>

Variability and atmospheric residence time:

$$\begin{array}{ll} dm_i/dt = F_{i\ in} + F_{i\ out} + E_i + S_i;\\ \text{with:} & F_{i\ in}, F_{i\ out} = \text{fluxes over boundary}\\ & E_i, S_i = \text{internal sources and sinks}\\ & m_i = M_i/M_{air} < x_i > m_{trop}\\ & M_i, M_{air} = \text{molar masses }(M_{air} = 29 \text{ g/mol})\\ & < x_i > = \text{spatial average of mixing ratio}\\ & m_{trop} = \text{mass of tropospheric air} = 4.25 \times 10^{15} \text{ t} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{split} S_i &= (\Sigma_j \; k_{ij}{}^{(2)} N_j / V + j_i{}^{(1)}) \; N_i / V = k_V{}^{(1)} N_i / V \\ \text{with:} \quad k_{ji}{}^{(2)}, j_i{}^{(1)} = \text{rate coefficients, photolysis rates} \\ &N_i / V, \; N_j / V = \text{reaction partner number concentrations} \\ &k_V{}^{(1)} = \text{tropospheric average chemical sink rate coefficient} \\ \text{If well mixed or almost well mixed: advective losses } F_i{}_{i \; out} \\ F_i{}_{out} \sim m_i = k_F \; m_i; \qquad \text{with:} \; k_F = \text{empiric parameter} \\ dm_i / dt = F_i{}_{i \; in} + E_i + (k_F + k_V{}^{(1)}) \; m_i \\ \tau_i = (k_F + k_V{}^{(1)})^{-1}; \; \text{with:} \; \tau_i = \text{residence time } (not \; equal \; to \; but < , lifetime '!) \\ & \text{assuming (in 1st approx.) that } k_V{}^{(1)} \neq f(m_i), \; i.e. \; no \; chemical \; feedbacks \\ & \text{leading to } N_j / V = f(N_i / V) \end{split}$$

Averaging over long times (> mixing times) <u>steady state</u>-assumption holds:  $dm_i/dt = \langle F_{i in} \rangle + \langle Q_i \rangle - (k_F + k_V^{(1)}) m_i \approx 0$ 

$$N_i/V = \langle N_i/V \rangle + (N_i/V)'(x, y, z, t);$$
  
with:  $\langle N_i/V \rangle =$  temporally and spatially mean number concentration  
 $(N_i/V)' =$  local and temporal number concentration  
 $x, y, z =$  space coordinates

Empiric finding (*Junge*, 1974) for the relative standard deviation  $\sigma_i = \sigma_i^*((N_i/V)^{\circ}) / \langle N_i/V \rangle = 0.14 / \tau_i$ 

with:  $\sigma_i^* = absolute$ standard deviation of  $(N_i/V)$ '

 $\rightarrow$  The residence time,  $\tau_i$ , can be inferred from variability, as  $\sigma_i = f(\tau_i)$ 



### Atmospheric residence times, mixing and transport times



### 4.2 Emissions

- location: mostly from ground, from stacks, from aircrafts
- temporal profile, e.g. diel, weekly, seasonal, historical trendsspatial distributions

### Example: non-methane hydrocarbons (NMHC)

### Global budget (Tg/a)

Natural	1150	terrestrial vegetation
	2	marine biosphere

Anthropogenic 120 of which are:

52 % transport7 % fossil fuels, stationary

- 5 % chemical, petrochemical industries
- 9 % oil and gas production

27 % solvents

(Ehhalt, 1986; Guenther et al., 1996)

### **Global** Model results



(Crutzen & Gidel, 1983)

#### Global distributions CO (ppbv) @ 970 and 510 hPa, monthly mean



(Model results: Horowitz et al., 2003; Crutzen & Gidel, 1983)

# 4.3 Deposition4.1 Wet deposition

### temporal profile, seasonal, interannual variabilityspatial distributions



Simplified rate (pseudo-1<sup>st</sup> order):

$$-dc_i/dt = k_{rain}^{(1)} \varepsilon c_i; \tau_{rain} = (k_{rain}^{(1)})^{-1}$$
$$\tau_{cloud} = [(1 - \theta) \varepsilon_{gas} r + \theta \varepsilon_{part} r]^{-1}$$

r = rain repetition rate, below cloud, in cloud (s<sup>-1</sup>),  $\varepsilon$  = scavenging coefficient (dependent on Henry coefficient K<sup>H</sup>, partcile size D, type of precipitation)

### Occult deposition / fog droplet impaction:

can significantly contribute to total wet (= precipitation + occult) deposition of pollutants in sub-alpine mountain ridges which are frequently within clouds (fog) *(Kroll & Winkler, 1989; Klemm et al., 2005)* 

### 4.3.2 Dry deposition

### upon reactivity on or absorption into surfaces

 $v_{dep i} = 0.1-1.0 \text{ cm/s}$ 

**Deposition velocity**: = number with units of velocity that when multiplied by the mean concentration of i (gaseous) yields the vertical flux of i ( $F_i = c_i v_{dep i}$ ), or: measure for depletion due to loss at the ground



### Dry deposition

 $v_{dep}(g) = F / c$ , varies with atmospheric turbulence, canopy structure (terrain), surface chemical properties, plant physiological status (stomata resistance)

Description: multiple-resistance analog model of transports and interfacial transfer (*Sheih et al., 1979; Wesely & Hicks, 1977; Slinn, 1983*) Transport across:

Ekman layer or boundary layer: 1 km, (turbulent) mixing time 10<sup>2</sup>-10<sup>5</sup> s Viscous sublayer: 0.05 km, mixing time 10<sup>-1</sup>-1



(gas molecule or 10 u particle) -  $10^3$  s (0.1 µm particle)

(*Sutton et al., 2007*)

 $r_{aerodyn.}$  to overcome by atmospheric turbulence

 $r_{boundary \, layer}$  (quasi laminar) to overcome by diffusivity of molecule or particle  $r_{surface}$  to overcome by reaction (kinetics)

Gases:

$$V_{d,gas} = \left(R_a + R_b + R_s\right)^{-1}$$

Particles:

$$V_{d, part, i} = \left(R_a + R_b + R_a R_b V_{f, i}\right)^{-1} + V_{f, i}$$

Resistances in air,  $R_a$ ,  $R_b$ Aerodynamic resistance  $R_a = \frac{\int_{z_{0,q}}^{z_r} \phi_h \frac{dz}{z}}{ku_*}$ 

Resistance to diffusion in laminar sublayer

$$R_b = \ln\left(\frac{z_{0,m}}{z_{0,q}}\right) \frac{(\text{Sc/Pr})^{2/3}}{ku*}$$

Particle and gas Schmidt numbers, Prandtl number

$$\operatorname{Sc}_{pi} = \frac{v_a}{D_{pi}}$$
  $\operatorname{Sc}_q = \frac{v_a}{D_q}$   $\operatorname{Pr} = \frac{\eta_a c_{p,m}}{\kappa_a}$ 

u\* = friction velocity

Surface resistance, 
$$\mathbf{R}_{s}$$
,  $s = vegetation$   
$$R_{s} = \left(\frac{1}{R_{stom} + R_{meso}} + \frac{1}{R_{cut}} + \frac{1}{R_{conv} + R_{exp}} + \frac{1}{R_{canp} + R_{soil}}\right)^{-1}$$

### Stomatal resistance

Resistance to entering openings in leaf surfaces

$$R_{stom,q} = R_{min} \left[ 1 + \left(\frac{200}{S_f + 0.1}\right)^2 \right] \frac{400}{T_{a,c} \left(40 - T_{a,c}\right)} \frac{D_v}{D_q}$$

Leaf mesophyll resistance Resistance to dissolving in or reacting with water within leaves

$$R_{meso,q} = \left(\frac{H_q^*}{3000} + 100f_{0,q}\right)^{-1}$$

# 3.2.4 Gas exchange, re-volatilisation3.2.4.1 Atmosphere/ocean

### <u>Two film model</u>

- existence of 2 stagnant layers on either side of the interface (fictitious dimensions)
- provide resistance additively (Liss & Slater, 1974; Schwartzenbach et al., 2002)



- equilibrium established at the interface itself

- gas flux through interface  $F = -k_w (c_w - c_{wi}) = -k_g (c_{gi} - c_g) [mol/m^2/s]$ 

 $c_{gi} = K_{aw} c_{gi}$ 

with bulk  $(c_{w,}c_{g})$  and equilibrium  $(c_{wi}, c_{gi})$  concentrations in water and air and transfer coefficients  $(k_{w}, k_{g} [cm/s], piston velocity,)$  in boundary layers (determined by diffusion and turbulence within the 2 layers), expressed empirically in most models - defined positive for flux from air to water - consideration of 1 side sufficient for most gases  $de_{wi}/dt = l_{w}/(a_{w}) [mel/a]$ 

 $dc_w/dt = k_{net} (c_w - c_g/K_{aw}) [mol/s]$ R = 1/k<sub>net</sub> = 1/k<sub>w</sub> + 1/(k<sub>a</sub>K<sub>aw</sub>) [s/cm]

From known examples to formula for unknown molecule i,  $M_{gi}$ :  $k_{g H2O} = 0.83 \text{ cm/s} \rightarrow k_{g i} = 0.83 (18/M_{gi})^{0.5} \text{ cm/s}$  $k_{w CO2} = 0.0056 \text{ cm/s} \rightarrow k_{w i} = 0.0056 (44/M_{gi})^{0.5} \text{ cm/s}$ 

Wind dependence:

 $k_{w CO2}(u) = 0.31 u^2 (Sc/660)^{0.5} cm/s$ 

(Wanninkhoff, 1992)

Volatilisation (left) and dry deposition (right) result from and correspond to opposite signs of  $(c_g - c_w K_{aw})$ .



General concept for all interfaces:

Fugacity of substance i,  $f_{ij}$ : = escaping tendency from a phase j ([Pa] or [N/m<sup>2</sup>]) f/p describes deviation from ideal behaviour, similar to a/c. (example: Molar free enthalpy  $\mu = \mu^0 + RT \ln(p/p^0) \rightarrow \mu = \mu^0 + RT \ln(f/p^0)$ ) Mass flow direction is from phase with higher to phase with lower fugacity. Fugacity capacity  $Z_{ij}$ :  $f_{ij} = c_{ij}/Z_{ij}$  $K_{i 12} = c_{i1}/c_{i2} = Z_{i1}i_1/Z_{i2}f_{i2}$  (Paterson & Mackay, 1985)

Air:  $c_g = n/V = p/RT \rightarrow c_g = f_g/RT$ ,  $Z_g = (RT)^{-1}$ ,  $f_g = c_g RT$ 

Fugacity capacity of seawater:  $Z_w = c_w/p = 1/H'$ , Henry coefficient H' [Pa m<sup>3</sup>/mol]  $f_w = c_w/Z_w = H'c_w$ (H'=RTK<sub>aw</sub> as:  $K_{aw} = c_g/c_w = Z_g f_g/Z_w f_w$ )

Fraction of fugacity from seawater =  $f_w / (f_w + f_g)$ 

 $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -hexachlorocyclohexane along a N-S-transect 1999/2000







(Guglielmo et al., 2005)

### 4.4.2 Vegetation and air

Bioaccumulation in an aqueous system:

Bioconcentration factor BCF:=  $c_{i biota}/c_{i w}$  []



### Air and plants

Uptake of neutral organic substances in leaves/needles from the gas phase:

- primarily via (wax covered) cuticulae, not stomatae (which enable gas exchange of small, inorganic molecules), distribution within the plant largely unknown

-partitioning determined by <u>lipophilicity</u> (expressed as the octanol-water partitioning coefficient  $K_{ow}$ ), diffusion driven (*Tolls & McLachlan, 1994*, besides others):

 $F = v (a_{inside} - a_{outside})$ log v<sub>membrane</sub> = 1.2 log K<sub>ow</sub> - 7.5 (Grayson & Kleier 1990) v = D K<sub>av</sub> /  $\Delta x$ log v<sub>membrane</sub> = log K<sub>ow</sub> - 6.7

F = flux (g/m<sup>2</sup>/s), v = permeability (m/s), a = activity (g/m<sup>3</sup>), D = diffusion coefficient  $\approx$  10-14 m<sup>2</sup>/s for organics, K<sub>av</sub> = air/veg. partitioning coefficient,  $\Delta x$  = membrane thickness  $\approx$  0.05 mm

### Flux from air to vegetation controlled by (specific) surface, boundary layer resistance (atmospheric turbulence)



Plant uptake from atmospheric dry gas species deposition for hypothetical substances

( $K_{oa} > 7$ : no net effect compared to bare soil)

Simulated atmospheric concentrations of a persistent chemical with log  $K_{OW}$  7 and log  $K_{AW}$  –2.5 in a hypothetical environment with and without forest cover for the year 1999. The strong uptake of chemical in the forest canopy during the spring results in a double-peak behaviour with two air concentration maxima, one in early spring and one in

summer.

(Wania & McLachlan, 2001)

### 4.5 Multicompartmental chemistry



### **4.5.1 Emissions to the multicompartmental system**

• receptor (,mode of entry'): air, surface waters, cropland, seawater Global N cycle, fluxes (Tg/a)



into soils upon application as fertilizer or pesticide

(Hibbard et al., 2006)





,Hole in the pipe model': Leakage of NO and  $N_2O$  from nitrification and denitrification. Usage in denitrification.

(Davidson, 1991)

temporal profile, e.g. diel, weekly, seasonal, historical trendsspatial distributions





(Semeena & Lammel, 2003)

### **4.5.2 Total environmental residence time**

<u>Residence time</u> of substance i in 1 compartment j:

$$dc_{i}/dt = -k_{j}c_{i} : c / c_{0} = e^{-k_{j}\Delta t}$$
  
$$\tau_{ij} = [k_{ij}c_{j}]^{-1} = t_{1/2}/\ln(2)$$

half time  $t_{1/2}$ 

time elapsed until  $c^0 \rightarrow c(t) = c^0/2$ 

However, usage of term ,residence time' is not totally consistent. example: j = soilconcept from biochemistry: substrate decay upon reagent supply  $k_{soil} = k_{degrad} + k_{vol} + k_{chemisorption} + ...$  $\Leftrightarrow t_{1/2}$  includes all apparent loss processes

### example: j = sediment

Sometimes the corresponding  $\Delta t$  in the gradient  $c_{sed}(z)$ , if decaying, is called ,halflife' implying that source was historically constant over time  $\Leftrightarrow t_{1/2}$  includes all apparent loss processes and ignores input variation

### <u>Residence time</u> of substance i in the mulicompartmental system, socalle overall residence time $\tau_{overall i}$ : upon cease of emissions $\Leftrightarrow$ life' of a chemical on earth



During continuous emissions:

 $\begin{array}{l} dc/dt = - \ k_{overall}c + E \\ \text{under steady state conditions (dc/dt=0):} \\ \tau_{overall \ i} = m_i(t)/F_{em \ i}(t) = m_i(t)/F_{sink \ i}(t) \\ \text{in general:} \quad (c - Q/k_{overall})/(c_0 - Q/k_{overall}) = e^{-k_{overall}\Delta t} \\ \text{Approximated by:} \ \Delta m_i/\Delta t \approx F_{em \ i}(t) - m_i(t)/\tau_{overall \ i} \\ \tau_{overall \ i}(t) \approx m_i(t)/[\Delta m_i/\Delta t - F_{em \ i}(t)] \\ \qquad (Leip \ \& \ Lammel, \ 2004) \end{array}$ 

### 4.5.3 Global distribution of re-volatilising substances, grasshopper effect





Higher levels in the N Pacific (Iwata et al., 1993)



FIGURE 2. Variation in the concentration of  $\alpha$ -HCH in the upper water column with latitude:  $\alpha$ -HCH (ng L<sup>-1</sup>) = 0.0206 × latitude + 0.72 ( $r^2 = 0.11$ ).

N-S gradient in the Bering and Chukchi Seas (Jantunen & Bidleman, 1995)

What drives accumulation in high latitudes ? (and high altitudes ?)

Re-volatilising substances: Hypothesis of a global scale (i.e. meridional) and local scale (i.e. altitudina distillation mechanism (,global distillation'; *Wania & Mackay, 1993*)

#### **Observations:**

Accumulation of heavier vs. lighter polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) and polybrominated diphenylethers (PBDE) in high latitudes
Accumulation in alpine areas (e.g. in fish of alpine lakes, in top soil of the Alps)

#### However:

- Also single hopping trace substances accumulate in alpine areas (as a consequence of mountain specific advection and deposition processes)
- on-going emissions of most relevant substances make interpretation difficult
- distribution patterns in biota are difficult to interprete (dynamics of individual organisms and of the ecosystem)





### S-N transect (air, passive sampling) 1994-1996 and 1998-2000

