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1	Stationary waves weaken and delay the near-surface response to
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ABSTRACT: An intermediate complexity moist General Circulation Model is used to investigate 13 the factors controlling the magnitude of the surface impact from Southern Hemisphere springtime 14 ozone depletion. In contrast to previous idealized studies, a model with full radiation is used, and 15 further, the model can be run with a varied representation of the surface, from a zonally uniform 16 aquaplanet to a highly realistic configuration. The model captures the positive Southern Annular 17 Mode response to stratospheric ozone depletion evident in observations and comprehensive models 18 in December through February. It is shown that while synoptic waves dominate the long-term 19 poleward jet shift, the initial response includes changes in planetary waves which simultaneously 20 moderate the polar cap cooling (i.e., a negative feedback), but also constitute nearly half of the 21 initial momentum flux response that shifts the jet polewards. The net effect is that stationary waves 22 weaken the circulation response to ozone depletion in both the stratosphere and troposphere, and 23 also delay the response until summer rather than spring when ozone depletion peaks. It is also 24 found that Antarctic surface cooling in response to ozone depletion helps strengthen the poleward 25 shift. However, essentially the same result is found when a diabatic cooling perturbation (mimicing 26 ozone depletion) is prescribed in the model, revealing that shortwave surface effects of ozone are 27 not critical. Finally, the jet response is shown to be linear with respect to the magnitude of the 28 imposed stratospheric perturbation, demonstrating the usefulness of interannual variability in the 29 severity of ozone depletion for subseasonal forecasting. 30

31 1. Introduction

Antarctic springtime ozone concentrations in the lower stratosphere decreased in the last few 32 decades of the twentieth century due to anthropogenic emissions of chlorofluorocarbons (Solomon 33 et al. 1986), and only recently have begun the slow process of recovery (Weber et al. 2018). Ozone 34 depletion is known to have been the dominant contributor over the late 20th century to a poleward 35 shift of the austral summer Southern Hemisphere (SH) tropospheric midlatitude jet and associated 36 storm track and precipitation, often quantified by a positive index of the Southern Annular Mode 37 (SAM), and to have led to an expansion of the summer Hadley Cell (Trenberth and Stepaniak 2002; 38 Gillett and Thompson 2003; Son et al. 2010; Thompson et al. 2011; Kang et al. 2011; Polvani et al. 39 2011; McLandress et al. 2011; Eyring et al. 2013; Gerber and Son 2014; Gonzalez et al. 2014; 40 Previdi and Polvani 2014; Waugh et al. 2015; Seviour et al. 2017; Son et al. 2018). Over the next 41 ~50 years, ozone recovery is expected to nearly cancel out changes in the tropospheric jet and 42 Hadley Cell that would otherwise be forced by greenhouse gases (Son et al. 2008; Polvani et al. 43 2011; Arblaster et al. 2011; Barnes and Polvani 2013; Gerber and Son 2014; Banerjee et al. 2020). 44 Despite its importance, the mechanism whereby ozone depletion leads to a downward impact, and 45 the details of how this mechanism governs the magnitude of the impact, are still unclear, e.g. as 46 noted in successive WMO Ozone assessments (World Meteorological Organization 2011, 2014; 47 Karpechko et al. 2018). 48

This study focuses on the role of stationary vs. transient waves for the downward impact. 49 While SH stationary waves are weaker than their counterparts in the Northern Hemisphere, they 50 contribute roughly half of the heat flux in spring in the lower stratosphere (Kållberg et al. 2005) and 51 contribute to the inter-model spread in the timing of the ozone-hole breakup (Hurwitz et al. 2010). 52 A commonly used model in studies focusing on the mechanism(s) for the surface response to ozone 53 depletion is a dry dynamical core with a flat bottom (e.g. Kushner and Polvani 2004; Sun et al. 2014; 54 Yang et al. 2015; Smith and Scott 2016) allowing for transient planetary waves only, or a highly 55 idealized mountain (Gerber and Polvani 2009; Domeisen et al. 2013). The importance of stationary 56 waves in the SH for a surface response cannot be readily evaluated in such setups by construction. 57 Many of these studies using flat-bottomed models nevertheless conclude that planetary waves are 58 crucial for the surface response. For example, Smith and Scott (2016) find that the response to 59 a stratospheric perturbation is weaker if interactions between planetary- and synoptic-scale waves 60

are suppressed, while Domeisen et al. (2013) find that the jet shifts in the opposite direction if only planetary waves are present, ruling out the possibility that the jet shift occurs purely as a response to changes in the planetary- or synoptic-scale wave fields alone. However the lack of stationary planetary waves in these models resembling those in the SH may lead to a mis-representation of the total impact of planetary waves. The goal of this study is to answer this question: what is the relative role of synoptic vs. planetary waves for the downward impact resulting from ozone depletion?

A secondary goal of this study is to disentangle the role of the surface temperature cooling in 68 response to ozone depletion for the jet response. The SAM response appears to account for around 69 half of the observed surface warming over the Antarctic Peninsula, nearly all of the observed 70 cooling over East Antarctica, and much of the warming over Patagonia (Trenberth and Stepaniak 71 2002; Previdi and Polvani 2014). Nevertheless, radiative effects may also be important for the 72 tropospheric (Grise et al. 2009) and the surface temperature (Yang et al. 2014) response to ozone 73 depletion, though Chiodo et al. (2017) found the net radiative effect at the surface to be weak. 74 Regardless of how the tropospheric cooling arises, the role of this tropospheric cooling for the jet 75 shift, as compared to other mechanisms for the downward impact, has not been isolated in previous 76 work. 77

We take advantage of a recently developed intermediate complexity model that can delineate the role of different waves types and of surface cooling. Namely, it can be run alternately with realistic stationary waves or without any zonal asymmetry in the bottom boundary (e.g., topography), and thus clarify the role of stationary waves for the surface response. This model also allows us to carefully isolate the importance of surface temperature changes in response to ozone depletion by studying the jet response for different surface albedos over Antarctica.

After introducing this model in Section 2 and our diagnostics in Section 3, we demonstrate in Section 4 that the model in its most realistic configuration simulates a quantitatively realistic response to ozone depletion, but that the response is significantly stronger in an aquaplanet configuration. We consider reasons for this effect in Section 5, isolate the role of surface cooling in Section 6, and then summarize our results and place them in the context of previous work in Section 7.

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⁸⁹ 2. An intermediate complexity atmospheric model

We use the Model of an idealized Moist Atmosphere (MiMA) introduced by Jucker and Gerber 90 (2017), Garfinkel et al. (2020b), and Garfinkel et al. (2020a). This model builds on the aquaplanet 91 models of Frierson et al. (2006), Frierson et al. (2007), and Merlis et al. (2013). Very briefly, 92 the model solves the moist primitive equations on the sphere, employing a simplified Betts-Miller 93 convection scheme (Betts 1986; Betts and Miller 1986), idealized boundary layer scheme based 94 on Monin-Obukhov similarity theory, and a purely thermodynamic (or slab) ocean. An important 95 feature for this paper is that we use a realistic radiation scheme - Rapid Radiative Transfer Model 96 (RRTMG) (Mlawer et al. 1997; Iacono et al. 2000) - which allows us to explicitly simulate the 97 radiative response to ozone depletion, unlike previous studies using more idealized models with 98 Newtonian cooling. Please see Jucker and Gerber (2017) for more details. 99

This model can be run alternately as an aquaplanet, or with stationary waves quantitatively similar 100 to those in comprehensive models (Garfinkel et al. 2020b,a). The most realistic configuration of 101 MiMA used in this study has boundary forcings that are identical to those of Garfinkel et al. 102 (2020a), and this configuration is referred to as STAT in the rest of this paper. MiMA has no 103 true land, rather the properties of the surface at gridpoints that are land on Earth are modified to 104 mimic land (Figure 3 of Jucker and Gerber 2017). The net effect is that the STAT configuration 105 includes three sources of zonal asymmetry in the lower boundary: orography, prescribed east-west 106 ocean heat transport, and land-sea contrast (i.e., difference in heat capacity, surface friction, and 107 moisture availability between "ocean" gridpoints and "land" gridpoints). The specifications of 108 these forcings can be found in Garfinkel et al. (2020a). The same albedo value is applied to all 109 wavelengths of incoming solar radiation. 110

We analyze the response to an identical ozone hole for four different tropospheric configura-111 tions: (i) the Southern Hemisphere (SH) of STAT, (ii) the Northern Hemisphere (NH) of STAT 112 (STATNH), (iii) an aquaplanet with albedo of 0.27 globally (including over "Antarctica"), and (iv) 113 an aquaplanet but in which the albedo over "Antarctica" is increased to 0.8 and elsewhere lowered 114 to 0.23 (as in STAT, see equation A3 of Garfinkel et al. 2020a) to help maintain a similar global 115 mean and "Antarctic" temperature to STAT. We refer to these last two experiments as AQUA27 and 116 AQUA80 in the rest of this paper. The AQUA runs have no stationary waves, but both aquaplanet 117 integrations still include north-south ocean heat transport (Eq. A4 of Garfinkel et al. 2020a). The 118

aquaplanet runs use a mixed-layer depth of 75m everywhere (including Antarctica) and oceanic 119 settings for surface roughness; in contrast, STAT has a larger surface roughness and mixed layer 120 depth of 2.5m over "land" (including Antarctica), and a varying mixed-layer depth for ocean grid-121 points (see Eq. A2 of Garfinkel et al. 2020a). The NH STAT configuration is not meant to 122 simulate a boreal winter ozone "hole", either as observed in 1997, 2011 or 2020 (Hurwitz et al. 123 2011; Manney et al. 2011; Rao and Garfinkel 2020; Lawrence et al. 2020; Rao and Garfinkel 2021) 124 or as in a world avoided scenario (Newman et al. 2009; Garcia et al. 2012). Rather, it explores 125 how the exact same change of ozone impacts the circulation with a very different climatology of 126 stationary (and synoptic) waves. 127

For all tropospheric configurations, we compare a pair of simulations: (1) a preindustrial simulation forced with the monthly varying climatology of ozone in the CMIP6 ozone specification averaged from 1860 to 1899 (PI simulation; Checa-Garcia et al. 2018; Checa-Garcia 2018); and (2) a simulation forced with the monthly varying climatology of ozone in the CMIP6 ozone specification averaged from 1990 to 1999, which we then further reduce by a factor of 4 over the pole between 150hPa and 30hPa by multiplying by the factor $\Phi(\varphi)$:

$$\Phi(\varphi) = 1 - 3/8 \left(1 - \tanh\left[\frac{\varphi + 65^{\circ}}{3^{\circ}}\right] \right), \tag{1}$$

where φ denotes latitude. This additional reduction in the polar lower stratosphere is intended 134 to capture springs with stronger than average ozone depletion (Previdi and Polvani 2014), and is 135 included to enhance the signal to noise ratio. An experiment without this additional reduction 136 leads to a weaker surface response, which is consistent with previous work that has argued that 137 interannual variability of ozone concentrations can be used to improve the skill of seasonal and 138 subseasonal forecasting (Son et al. 2013; Bandoro et al. 2014; Hendon et al. 2020; Jucker and 139 Goyal 2022; Oh et al. 2022). The linearity of the response is discussed in more detail in Section 140 5c. 141

The ozone hole runs branch from October 1st (March 1st for STATNH) of each of the last 65 years of the respective preindustrial control runs for a total of 65 ensemble members, and are then integrated for at least 150 days. The results are shown in terms of the difference between the ozone hole simulation and the PI simulation (ozone hole - PI), though all conclusions are just as applicable to ozone recovery (with reversed sign). The net change of ozone is shown in Figure ¹⁴⁷ 1abc, which shows days 1 to 30 (October), 31 to 70 (November and early December), and 71 to
¹⁴⁸ 120 (rest of December and January). The ozone perturbation is evident throughout the spring and
¹⁴⁹ decays in early summer. In the polar lower stratosphere, more than 90% of the preindustrial ozone
¹⁵⁰ is locally depleted, and this reduction is within the range of realistic values (Solomon et al. 2005;
¹⁵¹ Previdi and Polvani 2014). Ozone actually increases slightly in the upper stratosphere in summer
¹⁵² due to dynamical feedbacks (Stolarski et al. 2006).

In order to isolate any effect of ozone on surface shortwave absorption (Grise et al. 2009; Yang 153 et al. 2014; Chiodo et al. 2017), and also to more cleanly connect our results to studies using dry 154 models with an imposed diabatic cooling (Kushner and Polvani 2004; Sheshadri and Plumb 2016), 155 we also performed simulations in which a diabatic cooling perturbation is imposed in the lower 156 stratosphere. Our goal is to match the stratospheric diabatic cooling perturbation due to ozone, 157 and thus we show in Figure 1d-f the net diabatic cooling perturbation as computed by the model 158 in the presence of reduced ozone. The diabatic heating rate is ~ -0.5 K/day in the polar lower 159 stratosphere. The upper stratospheric diabatic cooling is due to the dynamically induced warming 160 resulting in enhanced longwave emission (Manzini et al. 2003; McLandress et al. 2010; Orr et al. 161 2012a). Motivated by this, we impose a diabatic perturbation between 150hPa and 30hPa with 162 the latitudinal dependence given by equation 1, and hold it constant in time with no seasonality. 163 The effect of this diabatic cooling perturbation is explored both for a diabatic cooling perturbation 164 similar in magnitude and location to the one due to ozone depletion (peaking at -0.5K/day; DIAB 165 simulation) and also a factor of five larger (peaking at -2.5K/day; DIAB5x simulation). Note that 166 the net effect on the stratospheric vortex of the -0.5K/day perturbation is slightly weaker than the 167 corresponding ozone hole depletion run, as the -0.5K/day perturbation is weakened by a negative 168 feedback: cooler lower stratospheric temperatures lead to less longwave emission. 169

Table 1 summarizes all experiments included in this paper. For all integrations, the model is forced with *CO*₂ concentrations fixed at 390ppmv and seasonally varying solar insolation. All simulations in this paper were run with a triangular truncation at wavenumber 42 (T42) with 40 vertical levels. All integrations use the identical settings for the gravity wave drag parameterization. The climatological zonal mean wind in the PI integrations is shown in Supplemental Figure S1 for AQUA80 and STAT. The vortex breaks down more quickly in November in STAT due to the presence of additional tropospheric wave driving. In addition, the vortex is wider in AQUA80 and more meridionally confined in STAT, and hence the waveguide for Rossby waves into the stratosphere is better defined in STAT. Additional experiments with the STAT configuration but in which the gravity wave flux was decreased have also been performed so that the climatological November stratospheric vortex is stronger in STAT than in AQUA80, in order to assess sensitivity of the tropospheric response in STAT to the climatological stratospheric vortex strength. Results were quantitatively similar to those shown here (not shown).

TABLE 1. MiMA Experiments, with "Y" indicating a forcing is on and "N" indicating a forcing is off. For ozone, we compare a "preindustrial" simulation using ozone concentrations from the CMIP6 read-in file over the years 1860-1899 to a simulation using ozone concentrations from the CMIP6 read-in file over the years 1990-1999, which were then modified in the Antarctic lower stratosphere (see section 2) to capture a deeper ozone hole evident in some years. The November SH jet latitude and January annular mode timescale (in days) in the PI integration is included.

	perturbation	surface zonal structure	"Antarctica" albedo	Nov jet latitude	AM timescale	
STAT, O ₃ hole-PI	ozone loss	Y	0.8	47.7S	37	
AQUA80, O3 hole-PI	ozone loss	Ν	0.8	46.55	43	
AQUA27, O3 hole-PI	ozone loss	Ν	0.27	43.18	50	
STATNH, O3 hole-PI	ozone loss	Y	0.8		22	
STAT, DIAB-PI	diabatic 1x	Y	0.8	47.7S	37	
AQUA80, DIAB-PI	diabatic 1x	Ν	0.8	46.5S	43	
STAT, DIAB5x-PI	diabatic 5x	Y	0.8	47.7S	37	
AQUA80, DIAB5x-PI	diabatic 5x	Ν	0.8	46.58	43	

Table: MiMA Model experiments

3. Diagnostics

¹⁹⁰ The role of synoptic and planetary waves in driving the poleward jet shift is diagnosed using the

¹⁹¹ Eulerian mean zonal momentum budget:

$$\frac{\partial \overline{u}}{\partial t} = -\underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{a\cos^{2}\varphi}\frac{\partial}{\partial\varphi}(\cos^{2}\varphi\overline{u'v'_{k\leq3}}) + \frac{1}{\rho_{0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho_{0}\overline{u'w'_{k\leq3}})\right)}_{eddy_{1-3}} -\underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{a\cos^{2}\varphi}\frac{\partial}{\partial\varphi}(\cos^{2}\varphi\overline{u'v'_{k>3}}) + \frac{1}{\rho_{0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho_{0}\overline{u'w'_{k>3}})\right)}_{eddy_{4+}} + \underbrace{f\overline{v}}_{f\overline{v}} - \underbrace{\left(\overline{w}\frac{\partial\overline{u}}{\partial z} + \frac{\overline{v}}{a\cos\varphi}\frac{\partial}{\partial\varphi}(\overline{u}\cos\varphi)\right)}_{advect} + \overline{X} + res \quad (2)$$

(e.g., Andrews et al. 1987; Hitchcock and Simpson 2016) where the acceleration of the zonal-mean 192 zonal wind on the left hand side is contributed to by processes associated with (from left to right 193 on the right hand side): eddy momentum flux convergence due to planetary waves $(eddy_{1-3})$, 194 eddy momentum flux convergence due to synoptic waves $(eddy_{4+})$, Coriolis torques acting on the 195 meridional motion (fv), mean flow momentum advection (advect), and parameterised processes 196 including the zonal wind tendency due to vertical and horizontal diffusion and gravity-wave drag 197 in the model (X). All variables follow standard notation (e.g., see Andrews et al. 1987). The 198 final term (res) is the budget residual and is contributed to by issues associated with sampling and 199 truncation errors. 200

Previous work has linked the climatological position of the jet, the Southern Annular mode 201 (SAM) timescale, and the amplitude of the jet response to polar stratospheric perturbations (e.g. 202 Garfinkel et al. 2013b). The SAM and the e-folding timescale of the corresponding principle 203 component timeseries is computed following the methodology of Baldwin et al. (2003) and Gerber 204 et al. (2008). Jet latitude is computed by fitting the 850hPa zonal mean zonal wind near the 205 jet maxima (as computed at the model's T42 resolution) to a second order polynomial, and then 206 evaluating the polynomial at a meridional resolution of 0.12°. The latitude of the maximum of this 207 polynomial is the jet latitude (Garfinkel et al. 2013a). 208



FIG. 1. Zonal-mean responses to ozone loss [i.e., ozone hole minus preindustrial (PI)] in the most realistic configuration, STAT, in (left) days 1-30 after branching, i.e. October; (middle) days 31 to 70, i.e. November and December 1-10; (right) days 71 to 120, i.e. December 11 through January 30. (a-c) ozone perturbation; (d-f) diabatic heating rate computed as the sum of the temperature tendency due to longwave, shortwave, and latent heat release; (g-i) temperature; (j-l) zonal wind. The bottom two rows are as in (g) through (l) but for an aquaplanet configuration with "Antarctic" albedo=0.8. Stippling indicates anomalies statistically significant at the 95% level. For the zonal wind responses, the -0.75m/s contour is shown in blue.



FIG. 2. Map view of ozone loss response (ozone hole - PI) in the most realistic configuration in (left) days 1-30 after branching, i.e. October; (middle) days 31 to 70; (right) days 71 to 120. (a-c) geopotential height at 500hPa; (d-f) precipitation. Stippling indicates anomalies statistically significant at the 95% level.

4. The response to an identical ozone perturbation with and without stationary waves

We begin by showing that in the STAT configuration of MiMA, ozone loss leads to impacts 220 similar to those shown in previous works using reanalysis or comprehensive models. Figure 1ghi 221 shows the temperature response to reduced ozone. Temperatures in the polar lower stratosphere 222 gradually decrease over the first two months and reach -15K by November, and the anomaly 223 propagates downward to near the tropopause in late December (Figure 1i). This cooling is similar 224 to that observed during years with a particularly strong ozone hole relative to 1960s conditions 225 (Randel et al. 2009; Previdi and Polvani 2014). The zonal wind response is shown in Figure 1jkl, 226 and captures the response evident in reanalysis, CMIP, and CCMI data (Previdi and Polvani 2014; 227 Son et al. 2018). 228

The spatial distribution of ozone-induced tropospheric circulation changes is illustrated in Figure 2. As anticipated from Figure 1jkl, changes in 500hPa geopotential height resemble the canonical SAM pattern (Figure 2bc, Kidson 1988; Thompson and Wallace 2000; Thompson et al. 2011) with lower heights in subpolar latitudes and higher heights between 40S and 50S. The model also simulates the precipitation response to ozone depletion unlike dry models used in many
mechanistic studies. Figure 2def shows an increase in precipitation over Southeastern Australia
and Southeastern South America and drying over New Zealand (in agreement with observed trends;
Hendon et al. 2007; Ummenhofer et al. 2009; Gonzalez et al. 2014). Such precipitation changes
are consistent with a poleward shift of the jet.

The increase in subpolar zonal wind peaks near day 75 at 77hPa (December 15th; Figure 3a), though higher in the stratosphere the response peaks earlier, and is followed by a zonal wind and SAM response in the troposphere (Figure 3b for 850hPa wind and 3c for geopotential height). While a tropospheric response begins to develop in November, it does not project onto a classical SAM pattern but rather an acceleration of winds on the subpolar flank of the jet similar to the responses in White et al. (2020, 2022). Only in December (and then intensifying into early January) the wind anomalies resemble a dipole flanking the climatological jet as seen in previous work.

Encouraged by the quantitative accuracy of the response in the most realistic configuration, we 250 now take advantage of the flexibility of the idealized model in order to understand the role of 251 stationary waves for the surface response. As discussed in Section 2, the same ozone perturbation 252 has also been imposed in two aquaplanet configurations of the model (differing only in the polar 253 albedo) and in the Northern Hemisphere. We begin with the aquaplanet configuration with a polar 254 albedo of 0.8 (AQUA80), as this turns out to be the tropospheric configuration with the largest 255 surface response to ozone depletion, with other configurations discussed later. Even though the 256 ozone perturbations are identical, the wind response (Figure 1, bottom row) is larger in AQUA80¹ 257 and the cooling of the polar lowermost stratosphere is also $\sim 20\%$ larger in AQUA80. The difference 258 in zonal wind response between the two configurations is statistically significant at the 5% level 259 after day 45 in both the stratosphere and troposphere (Figure 4c). The geopotential height response 260 in the troposphere to ozone loss is more than twice as large in AQUA80 than in STAT (Figure 2abc 261 vs 5abc and Figure 3c vs. 6c), and the precipitation response is also more extensive due to the lack 262 of Antarctic orography (Figure 5def). The difference in response is evident both in November and 263 in December/January (Figure 4c). 264

¹STAT features enhanced surface drag over Antarctica as compared to AQUA80 likely explaining some of the enhanced response in AQUA80 (see Supplemental Figure S2), however the response is stronger in the stratosphere as well as in midlatitudes where the specification of surface drag is identical



FIG. 3. Development and downward propagation of the response to the ozone perturbation in the most realistic configuration. (a) 77hPa zonal wind; (b) 850hPa zonal wind; (c) 850hPa polar cap geopotential height; upper tropospheric meridional Eliassen-Palm flux due to (d) planetary and (e) synoptic waves. The tropospheric jet latitude is shown in (a) and (b) with gray diamonds. Stippling indicates anomalies statistically significant at the 95% level.

5. Why do stationary waves reduce the amplitude of the response?

To answer this question, we explore the impacts of stationary and transient planetary waves on the jet response to ozone loss and equivalent diabatic cooling anomalies.

a. Stationary waves negatively feed-back on the jet shift response

Even though the ozone perturbation is identical in STAT and AQUA80, ozone depletion leads to less stratospheric vortex strengthening and polar cap cooling in STAT relative to AQUA80 (Figure 1 and 4c) due to the presence of stationary waves. This difference in response to an identical



FIG. 4. Evolution of zonal wind from 54S to 80S for the [ozone hole-PI] runs with (a) realistic stationary waves (STAT), (b) an aquaplanet, with "Antarctic" albedo equal to 0.8 (AQUA80). (c) difference between (a) and (b). The contour interval is 2m/s in (a) and (b) and 0.5m/s in (c). The 1m/s contour is indicated in red in (a) and (b). Stippling indicates anomalies statistically significant at the 95% level. (d) vertical component of the EP flux at 40hPa area-weighted average from 80S to 45S [kg/s^2], with a thick line denoting a significant response to ozone.

ozone perturbation occurs because the strengthened vortex in late fall and early summer (e.g. 280 November and December) due to ozone depletion favors more upward wave propagation. The 281 subsequent enhanced wave convergence within the stratosphere leads to dynamical warming of the 282 polar cap via downwelling of the vertical wind of the residual circulation. This cancels a part of 283 the radiatively driven cooling near the tropopause (Manzini et al. 2003; Li et al. 2010; McLandress 284 et al. 2010; Orr et al. 2012a, ; Figure 1d-i). However this increase in upward propagating waves 285 is more dramatic in the presence of stronger wave forcing from below, and in STAT these upward 286 propagating waves are indeed stronger due to the presence of stationary waves forced by the bottom 287 boundary. 288



FIG. 5. As in Figure 2 but for an aquaplanet configuration with "Antarctic" albedo=0.8. Note that the color scale for the top row differs from Figure 2. Continental outlines are included for reference only.

We demonstrate this effect in Figure 4d, which shows the vertical component of the Eliassen-289 Palm (EP_z) flux at 40hPa; other levels in the mid- and lower- stratosphere exhibit a similar response 290 (Supplemental Figure S3). In STAT (blue line), an ozone hole leads to increased upward wave flux 291 by late October, and the anomaly stays positive throughout the duration of the run. The increase 292 in AQUA80 is weaker however (black line), and the difference between STAT and AQUA80 is 293 statistically significant between days 75 and 90, though if we time average in e.g., 10 day chunks, 294 the signal emerges from the noise after day 30. The net effect is a warmer polar stratosphere and 295 less accelerated vortex in STAT (Figure 4c). Hence, stationary waves act as a negative feedback on 296 the stratospheric response to ozone, acting to partially offset the ozone-induced cooling, and thus 297 partially mitigate the poleward tropospheric jet shift. 298

We demonstrate this further by comparing the Eulerian mean eddy driving term for AQUA80 as compared to STAT. Figure 7abc and 8abc decompose this eddy forcing into its wave-1 component for AQUA80 and STAT respectively. Recall that wave-1 is the dominant zonal wavenumber of stationary waves in STAT (Garfinkel et al. 2020a). In STAT, wave-1 acts to weaken the vortex even as ozone depletion is strengthening it, however in AQUA80 wave-1 (which is composed of



FIG. 6. As in Figure 3 but for aquaplanet with "Antarctic" albedo=0.8.

transient waves only) is associated with a net strengthening of the vortex. Results are similar if the Transformed Eulerian Mean (TEM) is used as well (Supplemental Figure S3-S4), with the anomalies in wave-1 EP_z and subpolar stratospheric EP flux divergence resembling an amplified version of those present in the climatology.

This negative feedback caused by the presence of stationary waves can be further demonstrated by 311 imposing the same ozone hole in the Northern Hemisphere. The stratospheric wind and temperature 312 responses are clearly much weaker (Supplemental Figure S5) and no longer robustly extend into 313 the troposphere. We quantify the relationship between the subpolar zonal wind responses to ozone 314 depletion in the lower stratosphere and lower troposphere in Figure 9, which compares the response 315 of subpolar zonal wind in the (y-axis) lower stratosphere and (x-axis) lower troposphere. The blue 316 line shows the response in STAT in the SH: the average wind anomaly for days 61 to 75 is 7.8m/s 317 at 77hPa and 1.2m/s at 850hPa; in contrast, in AQUA80 the wind responses are stronger (black, 318



FIG. 7. Decomposition of the eddy forcing term in Figure 10ghi into the various wavenumber components. (a-c) wavenumber 1; (d-f) wavenumber 2 through 3; (g-i) wavenumbers 4 and larger. The difference between AQUA80 ozone hole and AQUA80 PI is shown.



FIG. 8. As in 7 but for the difference between STAT ozone hole and STAT PI.

evolution of subpolar U



FIG. 9. Evolution of subpolar U for the (a) [ozone hole-PI] runs with (blue) realistic stationary waves, (black) an aquaplanet with "Antarctic" albedo equal to 0.8, and (green) Northern Hemisphere with realistic stationary waves. (b) runs analogous to [ozone hole-PI] but in which a diabatic cooling perturbation is imposed directly (see methods). The mean of each fifteen day segment after branching is indicated with a dot, and is labeled by the last day included in the fifteen day segment (e.g. 30 is for days 16 to 30). For (b), for the runs with a factor of five increase in diabatic cooling rate, we divide the response by a factor of five. A dashed gray line indicates a constant reference slope of 3.5.

9.5m/s at 77hPa and 2.0m/s at 850hPa). The corresponding changes for the NH (in green) are much
weaker both in the lower stratosphere and troposphere despite cooling aloft (3.3m/s and 0.3m/s
respectively). The net effect is that stationary waves, of which there is more activity in the NH,
help dampen the surface response to ozone depletion.

³³⁰ *b*. Transient planetary waves encourage the jet response

Even though stationary planetary waves dampen lower stratospheric cooling and thus the surface response, we now show that transient planetary waves do the opposite: they contribute positively to the surface response in agreement with Smith and Scott (2016). We demonstrate this by considering the Eulerian mean momentum budget for AQUA80 which captures only transient planetary waves by design. The zonal wind tendency calculated explicitly is shown in Figure 10abc, and the various terms in the budget (equation 2) are shown in the rest of Figure 10. Figure 10def shows the sum of all terms on the right-hand size of equation 2, which should be equal to the zonal wind tendency in Figure 10abc. This is indeed the case: the budget closes in nearly all regions, though some of
 the fine-scale details of the wind tendencies differ due to truncation errors in the calculations.

The dominant terms are the eddy forcing term (Figure 10ghi) and the coriolis torque (Figure 340 10jkl), with the acceleration in most regions and time periods provided by the eddy forcing 341 term. The sum of the eddy forcing and coriolis terms (Figure 10mno) captures the bulk of the 342 total tendency in most regions/time periods (Figure 10def), but crucially in the mid- and upper-343 stratosphere changes in gravity wave absorption act as a negative feedback in days 31 to 70 (late 344 spring), and dominate the response in days 71 to 120 (summer). The zonal wind anomaly peaks in 345 December before weakening in January and February because the already accelerated vortex allows 346 for more gravity wave absorption above the mid-stratosphere. The advection term also contributes 347 in regions with strong wind gradients (Figure 10stu). The net effect is that the dominant term 348 for the subpolar zonal acceleration is the resolved eddy term in Figure 10ghi, and importantly 349 this wave-induced acceleration extends from the stratosphere to below the tropopause. A similar 350 interpretation is reached using the TEM budget (Supplemental Figure S6). 351

Figure 7 decomposes the eddy forcing into its wavenumber components. At early lags, the 358 subpolar tropospheric response arises mostly through wave-2 and wave-3 (Figure 7def), while for 359 days 71 to 120 synoptic wavenumbers are most important at all latitudes (Figure 7ghi). The wave-2 360 and wave-3 present in AQUA80 are transient planetary waves, and it is clear that they help set up 361 the initial jet shift and then contribute a continued acceleration at subpolar latitudes. Wave-1 does 362 not contribute to forcing the jet shift (Figure 7abc). These conclusions are true of the STAT runs 363 as well (Figure 8) despite observed and STAT SH stationary waves being dominated by wave-1 364 (Garfinkel et al. 2020a) leading to a different stratospheric response of wave-1 to ozone depletion 365 (Figure 7 abc vs 8abc). Thus, the stratospheric wave-1 response is not of direct relevance for the 366 tropospheric jet shift. 367

The importance of both planetary and synoptic waves is also evident using the TEM budget (as in Orr et al. 2012b). The time evolution of the upper tropospheric (200-400hPa) meridional component of the EP flux (EP_y) in response to ozone loss is shown in Figure 3de and 6de for STAT and AQUA80; both synoptic and planetary waves are important. The timing of the increase in EP_y is similar for both synoptic and planetary waves, however, and thus it is unclear if one can be argued to help induce the other. That being said, these figures (and also Figure 7) show that at later



FIG. 10. Eulerian mean momentum budget for the [ozone hole-PI] aquaplanet runs, with "Antarctic" albedo equal to 0.8 in (left) days 1-30 after branching, i.e. October; (middle) days 31 to 70; (right) days 71 to 120. (a-c) total wind tendency; (d-f) sum of all terms; (g-i) eddy forcing terms (u'v' and u'w'); (j-l) coriolis torque; (m-o) sum of eddy forcing and coriolis torque; (p-r) gravity wave drag; (s-u) advection of mean zonal wind. Note that the color-bar for (g-i) and (j-l) differ from that in (m-o)20ue to the strong cancellation between eddy forcing and coriolis torque (as expected).

³⁷⁴ lags, synoptic wavenumbers dominate the response. A similar relative role for planetary waves vs.
³⁷⁵ synoptic waves for the tropospheric jet shift is evident for both AQUA80 and STAT in response
³⁷⁶ to ozone loss (in both Figure 3de and 6de), and hence the presence of stationary waves does not
³⁷⁷ appear to affect the ability of planetary waves to contribute to the jet shift. However the jet shift is
³⁷⁸ weaker for STAT (due to a weaker stratospheric response as discussed above) and consistent with
³⁷⁹ this the overall eddy forcing is weaker too (Figure 3de vs. 6de).

c. Linearity of response and comparison of stratospheric diabatic heating to ozone loss

In addition to the ozone hole runs presented thus far, we have also performed integrations in 381 which a diabatic cooling perturbation replaces the ozone perturbation. As discussed in Section 382 2, the spatial structure of the diabatic cooling perturbation follows the ozone perturbation, and its 383 magnitude (-0.5K/day) mimics that due to ozone depletion (Figure 1d-f). The benefit from these 384 diabatic cooling runs are two-fold: first, we can increase the amplitude of this diabatic cooling 385 perturbation at will and hence explore the linearity of the response. (In contrast, the impact of 386 ozone saturates as concentrations cannot be negative.) Second, there is no shortwave heating 387 perturbation by construction as ozone is unchanged (the effects of UV on the surface energy budget 388 discussed in Chiodo et al. 2017, are turned off), and hence the stationary waves present in STAT 389 but absent in AQUA80 are the only factor that can lead to a difference in the surface response. 390

We begin with the linearity of the response. Figure 9b is similar to Figure 9a, but showing the 391 response to a diabatic cooling perturbation imposed on STAT and AQUA80 (STAT DIAB-PI and 392 AQUA80 DIAB-PI on Table 1). By construction, the lower stratospheric and tropospheric wind 393 response for a -0.5K/day perturbation (the dark purple and dark gray lines) in Figure 9b resemble 394 qualitatively their counterpart in Figure 9a. The experiments with a factor of five times stronger 395 perturbation (-2.5K/day) are also shown in Figure 9b, but with the subsequent response divided by 396 a factor of five. It is clear that the response is fairly linear, consistent with White et al. (2020) who 397 find a generally linear response to short-lived but stronger thermal perturbations. Note that the 398 response in AQUA80 is slightly weaker than might be expected by linearity, though the response for 399 STAT is stronger. This result highlights the fact that interannual variability in ozone concentrations 400 should be useful for seasonal predictability of surface climate (Son et al. 2013; Bandoro et al. 2014; 401 Hendon et al. 2020; Jucker and Goyal 2022; Oh et al. 2022). 402



FIG. 11. Evolution of zonal wind from 54S to 80S for the Diabatic-PI runs with (a) realistic stationary waves, (b) an aquaplanet, with "Antarctic" albedo equal to 0.8. (c) difference between (a) and (b). The 1m/s contour is indicated in red in (a) and (b). (d) vertical component of the EP flux at 40hPa area-weighted average from 80S to 45S $[kg/s^2]$, with a thick line denoting a significant response to the diabatic perturbation.

Next, we use these diabatic forcing experiments to isolate the role of stationary waves for the 403 downward response, as these experiments do not allow for any perturbation of shortwave radiation 404 on the surface by ozone. The subpolar zonal wind response for STAT and AQUA80 to an identical 405 diabatic perturbation is shown in Figure 11a and 11b, and the difference between the two is in 406 Figure 11c. The diabatic perturbation causes a larger zonal wind response in AQUA80 in both the 407 stratosphere and troposphere after day 30. Hence, stationary waves lead to a negative feedback on 408 the response even if surface shortwave effects are suppressed, as diagnosed by the TEM momentum 409 budget in Supplemental Figure S7. Note that for the diabatic experiments the EP flux anomalies 410 also resemble an amplification of the climatological EP flux (Supplemental Figure S4). Overall, 411 these results support the conclusion of Chiodo et al. (2017) that shortwave surface effects are not 412 important for the tropospheric response in austral summer. 413

6. The role of surface cooling and jet latitude/persistence

Surface temperature over Antarctica cools in response to ozone depletion (Grise et al. 2009;
 Yang et al. 2014; Previdi and Polvani 2014), and while much of this change is likely due to the shift

of the jet (or equivalently, the shift towards a positive SAM index), this cooling can still feedback
onto the jet shift. We now use the idealized model to isolate the impacts of the surface temperature
change on the jet.

Recall that the albedo in both AQUA80 and STAT is 0.8 over Antarctica and 0.23 elsewhere. 424 In order to disentangle the role of the surface temperature changes over Antarctica on the jet 425 shift, we have performed an additional aquaplanet integration with an albedo of 0.27 everywhere 426 (AQUA27). AQUA80 and AQUA27 differ only in the specification of albedo; by summer, surface 427 temperatures rise over Antarctica by 1K due to enhanced shortwave absorption in AQUA27, rather 428 than cooling by 4K as in AQUA80 (Figure 12d). The warmer near-surface tropospheric polar 429 cap in AQUA27 leads to higher geopotential height throughout the column, as can be quantified 430 using the the hypsometric equation (not shown). The net effect is that the meridional gradient in 431 geopotential is more extreme in AQUA80 than in AQUA27, and thus the stratospheric zonal wind 432 response and tropospheric jet shift (Figure 12abc) are stronger in AQUA80. In other words, the 433 polar surface cooling in AQUA80 reinforces the ozone-induced poleward shift, and hence provides 434 a positive feedback. 435

Son et al. (2010) and Garfinkel et al. (2013b) found that the tropospheric response to an identical polar stratospheric diabatic perturbation is sensitive to jet latitude and jet persistence, with jets closer to 40°S more persistent and more sensitive to stratospheric perturbations. This finding is apparently contradicted by the responses in AQUA27 and AQUA80: the response is weaker in AQUA27 relative to that in AQUA80 even as the jet latitude is closer to 40°S and the annular mode timescale of the SAM is slightly longer in AQUA27 (Table 1). This indicates that the surface temperature effect in AQUA27 overwhelms the jet latitude/eddy feedback strength effect².

In order to cleanly assess the eddy feedback strength effect highlighted by Garfinkel et al. (2013b), we have performed an experiment using the AQUA80 configuration but in which the jet is pushed $\sim 7^{\circ}$ further poleward. This is achieved by imposing a stronger and more poleward meridional ocean heat transport gradient following equation A8 of Garfinkel et al. (2020a) with an amplitude of $50Wm^{-2}$, which leads to a poleward shift of the sea surface temperature gradient. The response to ozone depletion is shown in Supplemental Figure S8, and it is clear that the tropospheric response

²Note that jet latitude in STAT is poleward of that in AQUA80 by 1.2 degrees (Table 1), while the annular mode timescale is slightly shorter in STAT likely because stationary waves act to interfere with eddy feedback. While this slightly weaker eddy feedback may explain part of the weaker tropospheric response in STAT, it cannot explain the weaker stratospheric response. Note also that the polar surface cooling in AQUA80 is not present in STAT (likely due to shallower mixed layer depth in STAT which may heat directly from absorbed UV), which also may explain some of the weakened response in STAT.



FIG. 12. Evolution of zonal wind from 54S to 80S for the [ozone hole-PI] runs for an aquaplanet (a) with "Antarctic" albedo equal to 0.27 (AQUA27), (b) with "Antarctic" albedo equal to 0.8 (AQUA80). (c) difference between (a) and (b). The 1m/s contour is indicated in red in (a) and (b). (d) the 80S-pole area weighted average temperature response [ozone hole-PI] for AQUA27 (red) and AQUA80 (black).

is weaker, as expected. Both integrations lack stationary waves, and the surface shortwave effects
 are identical. Hence the weakened tropospheric response must be due to jet latitude and weakened
 eddy feedback.

This run includes a stronger sea surface temperature front than AQUA80 yet has a weaker 452 response, apparently contrary to Ogawa et al. (2015) who find a stronger sea surface temperature 453 front leads to a stronger response. However our results and those of Ogawa et al. (2015) can be 454 reconciled if one focuses on the eddy feedback strength: in both papers a stronger eddy feedback 455 strength leads to a stronger response, and the difference in the specification of the sea surface 456 temperature front leads to a different effect on eddy feedback. Hence, the results of Ogawa 457 et al. (2015) may have more to do with the eddy feedback strength in their simulations than the 458 well-defined sea surface temperature front. 459

7. Discussion and Conclusions

Ozone depletion is known to have been the dominant contributor to a poleward shift of the 465 Southern Hemisphere (SH) tropospheric midlatitude jet, precipitation, and storm tracks over the 466 late 20th century. Over the next 50 years, ozone recovery is expected to nearly cancel out changes 467 in the jet and Hadley Cell that would otherwise be forced by greenhouse gases (Polvani et al. 468 2011; Arblaster et al. 2011; Barnes and Polvani 2013; Gerber and Son 2014; Waugh et al. 2015; 469 Seviour et al. 2017; Son et al. 2018; Banerjee et al. 2020). The degree of cancellation is uncertain 470 and model dependent, however, leading to uncertainty in future projections (Gerber and Son 471 2014). The mechanism whereby ozone depletion leads to a downward impact, and the details of 472 how this mechanism governs the magnitude of the impact, are still unclear (as noted in WMO 473 Ozone assessments in 2010, 2014, and 2018). While previous work has shown that jet latitude 474 (Garfinkel et al. 2013b) and the details of the ozone forcing (Neely et al. 2014; Young et al. 2014) 475 are important, we have demonstrated two additional processes that regulate the magnitude of the 476 downward impact: surface cooling and stationary waves. 477

This study takes advantage of an intermediate complexity model that can delineate the role of 478 these two effects. We integrate it with realistic stationary waves, comparing it to runs without 479 any zonal asymmetry in the bottom boundary. For both configurations of the bottom boundary, 480 we compare integrations with an ozone hole in which surface shortwave feedbacks are present, 481 to integrations with a diabatic temperature tendency that mimics the shortwave effects of ozone 482 depletion in the stratosphere only. By comparing these runs, we isolate the role of stationary waves 483 for the surface response, and demonstrate that the response is twice as strong for many of the 484 diagnostics examined when no stationary waves are present (Figure 1mno, 5, 6, and 11ab). We find 485 a quantitatively similar effect if the gravity wave settings in STAT are changed so that the vortex in 486 STAT is stronger than that in AQUA80, and hence the stratospheric vortex climatological strength 487 is not a leading order factor. 488

The presence of stationary planetary scale waves leads to a weaker response to an identical diabatic cooling perturbation starting in November and extending into February. This effect arises because stationary waves negatively feedback on the imposed stratospheric perturbation and weaken it if stationary waves are forced by the bottom boundary. That is, as the vortex strengthens it allows more upward wave activity into the stratosphere, and this reservoir of wave activity is larger if stationary waves are present. Even though Southern Hemisphere stationary waves are weaker than
 their Northern Hemisphere counterpart, they nonetheless are crucial for regulating the net response
 to ozone depletion.

We demonstrate that surface radiative effects are not critical for the tropospheric response, in 497 agreement with Chiodo et al. (2017), by contrasting the response to ozone depletion vs. an 498 equivalent stratospheric diabatic cooling perturbation (Figure 9). While surface radiative effects 499 are not important, the surface temperature response does contribute to the magnitude of the jet 500 shift. Specifically, by integrating the model in an aquaplanet configuration but with different 501 surface albedos over "Antarctica", we isolate the role of surface temperature and showed that 502 surface and free tropospheric cooling enhances the jet response. Future work should evaluate 503 whether the stationary wave feedback or surface cooling response is crucial for the magnitude 504 of the jet and SAM response in comprehensive models as well, and help explain the conundrum 505 posed by Simpson and Polvani (2016), Seviour et al. (2017), and Son et al. (2018) in which jet 506 latitude/persistence appears to not be relevant for the magnitude of the jet and/or SAM response. 507 Specifically, our work demonstrates that this jet latitude/persistence effect can be dwarfed by the 508 stationary wave feedback or surface cooling effect (Section 6), and hence the theoretical expectation 509 that a more persistent jet will respond more strongly to an external forcing (Chen and Plumb 2009; 510 Garfinkel et al. 2013b) may be washed-out in a comprehensive model by additional processes or 511 model biases. 512

⁵¹³ Despite the negative stationary wave feedback on the magnitude of the stratospheric circulation ⁵¹⁴ response to ozone depletion, tropospheric planetary and synoptic waves are important for the ⁵¹⁵ tropospheric jet response in both AQUA80 and STAT configurations (Figures 7 and 8). Waves 1-3 ⁵¹⁶ contribute roughly half of the tropospheric torque in November, though by December and January ⁵¹⁷ their contribution is less (Figure 3de and 6de) in the ozone depletion runs. In the diabatic cooling ⁵¹⁸ runs with an increased amplitude of the forcing to better isolate the signal (Figure 13), synoptic ⁵¹⁹ waves are more important throughout, however planetary waves still contribute.

Gravity waves also act as a negative feedback on the magnitude of the stratospheric circulation response to ozone depletion. Namely, the strengthened polar vortex allows more gravity waves to propagate into the stratosphere, and these gravity waves then break in the subpolar mid- to upperstratosphere (Figure 10). This partial compensation between gravity waves and an externally ⁵²⁴ imposed forcing is consistent with Cohen et al. (2013); Sigmond and Shepherd (2014); Scheffler
⁵²⁵ and Pulido (2015); Watson and Gray (2015), and Garfinkel and Oman (2018).

The specific mechanism as to how the downward influence arises was not the main focus of this 526 paper, although our results are of relevance to previously proposed theories. Waves-2 and -3 are 527 crucial in the lower stratospheric zonal momentum response (Figures 7 and 8, consistent with 528 Orr et al. 2012b). Both planetary and synoptic waves are important for the tropospheric impact, 529 and it was not possible to distinguish whether one leads the other. This difficulty is somewhat 530 mitigated if we enhance the signal-to-noise ratio by imposing a diabatic cooling perturbation five 531 times stronger than that associated with ozone depletion (Figure 13de). In response to such a strong 532 perturbation synoptic wavenumbers respond first, but eddy-eddy interactions still appear crucial 533 for the total response (Domeisen et al. 2013; Smith and Scott 2016). Synoptic waves are somewhat 534 more important in summer, but in late fall the momentum forcing is more evenly split between 535 synoptic and planetary waves for the ozone perturbations in Figure 3de and 6de. This balance is 536 evident both in AQUA80 and in STAT, even though stationary wave-1 is present only in STAT. 537 The tropospheric response begins first at subpolar latitudes and only later, after synoptic eddies 538 dominate, includes the midlatitudes. This is consistent with White et al. (2020) and White et al. 539 (2022) who find that in the Northern Hemisphere as well, the midlatitude wind response is delayed 540 relative to the subpolar wind response, and only occurs after synoptic eddies feedback onto the 541 shift. 542

In all runs, a tropospheric response does not begin until at least 15 days after the perturbation 545 to the stratosphere. In the diabatic cooling runs with the forcing increased by a factor of five, 546 there is even a weak equatorward shift in the first ten days (though not evident in Figure 13b using 547 the chosen contour interval). This arises because a thermally driven cooling of the vortex will be 548 balanced in part by downwelling over the pole and equatorward motion in the troposphere, which 549 leads to an easterly Coriolis torque (Eliassen 1951). This opposite response is consistent with Yang 550 et al. (2015) who find that the residual circulation is of the wrong sign to explain the poleward 551 shift, and also with White et al. (2020) who impose a far-stronger 15K/day perturbation and find 552 that the jet shift does not occur for at least 15 days. This effect does not explain why the observed 553 poleward shift is not robust until December, however, as this delay is far longer than 15 days. 554



FIG. 13. As in Figure 3 but for a diabatic heating rate of -2.5K/day in the lower stratosphere and no ozone depletion. Note factor of 5 difference in colorbar for (a) and (b), and factor of 2 difference for (c)-(e).

On the other hand, our simulations help clarify the important factors for the onset of the response, 555 and thereby help explain why the SAM response in observations (and in our STAT configuration) 556 becomes robust only in summer after the ozone hole is already filling up. Namely, the tropospheric 557 response can begin in late October if the forcing is strong (Figure 13b) or stationary waves are 558 absent (Figure 6b). Even in STAT, a robust but non-SAM like response is evident in November as 559 well; this early response is characterized by an acceleration of winds only on the subpolar flank 560 of the jet. The net effect is that the delay of the SAM response until December in STAT is a 561 consequence of the negative stationary wave feedback and the relative weakness of the diabatic 562 cooling perturbation associated with ozone depletion. 563

The response to an identical ozone hole imposed in the Northern Hemisphere in STAT (STATNH) is significantly weaker than when imposed in the Southern Hemisphere (Supplemental Figure S5). In other words, the tropospheric circulation in the Northern Hemisphere is less sensitive to a stratospheric ozone perturbation. The negative stationary wave feedback likely plays a role. Northern Hemisphere stationary waves are stronger, and hence the stratospheric circulation response to an identical ozone depletion is weaker due to an offset by enhanced wave propagation and convergence in the stratosphere. In addition, the annular mode timescale is shorter in the Northern Hemisphere (22 days vs. 37 days; Figure 9), and hence synoptic eddy feedbacks are weaker too.

In the most realistic configuration (STAT), the model simulates a response resembling that 572 observed and simulated by comprehensive models (Figure 1, 2, and 3). Nevertheless, the model 573 used in this work suffers from some limitations - there is no coupling of the ozone with the 574 dynamics, the imposed ozone hole has no zonal structure, and the albedo is constant for all 575 shortwave wavelengths. Despite these limitations, the results of our work have implications for 576 seasonal forecasting and for the interpretation of results from both comprehensive and idealized 577 models. First, interannual variability in ozone concentrations can be used to enhance seasonal 578 forecasting (Figure 9), consistent with Hendon et al. (2020), Jucker and Goyal (2022), and Oh 579 et al. (2022). Second, dry and flat idealized models miss the stationary wave effect, which may 580 lead to an exaggerated stratospheric response to a given stratospheric diabatic perturbation. Third, 581 the Antarctic surface temperature response to ozone depletion helps regulate the magnitude of the 582 jet response, and it is not clear how well models can capture the stable boundary layers common 583 over Antarctica, the mixed-phase and ice clouds common at these latitudes, or the properties of a 584 glaciated land surface. Future work should explore whether differences in how models represent 585 these processes can explain some of the diversity in future projections of climate change in the 586 Southern Hemisphere (Gerber and Son 2014), and thereby help narrow projections as ozone 587 recovers. 588

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