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“Men and women are not content to comfort themselves with tales of gods and giants, or to confine their thoughts to the daily affairs of life; they also build telescopes and satellites and accelerators, and sit at desks for endless hours working out the meaning of the data they gather.”

*... Steven Weinberg  
(Nobel Prize in Physics 1979)*

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# Electromagnetism Quarter

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- 6 weeks: January 8 to February 16, 2007
- Home page for this quarter  
**(stay tuned for content):**

<http://www.atmosp.physics.utoronto.ca/people/strong/phy138/phy138.html>

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# Who Am I?

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# Who Am I? What Do I Do?

## Professor of Physics

- Teaching

  - PHY138, PHY315, PHY140 ...

- Research

  - Scientist - Atmospheric Physicist

  - Supervision of graduate students  
and post-doctoral fellows

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# What Do Scientists Do?

- Our goal is to expand human knowledge
- We study the world around us to understand it
- We explain how and why things happen, and predict what will happen next
- We develop theories based on observations
- We try to use what we have learned to make our world a better place

# Do You Want to Become a Scientist? You need:

- A strong desire to learn new things!
- Intelligence, curiosity, and imagination
- Hard work, enthusiasm, patience, and tenacity
- Enjoyment of problem-solving
- Attention to detail
- An ability to communicate your ideas
- Integrity, honesty, and responsibility
- Respect & appreciation for your predecessors

# The Rewards

- Learning new things!
- Contributing to human knowledge
- Making a difference
- Knowing that what you are doing is, or will be, valuable to someone, somewhere
- Opportunities to travel and collaborate with scientists around the world
- Many career possibilities

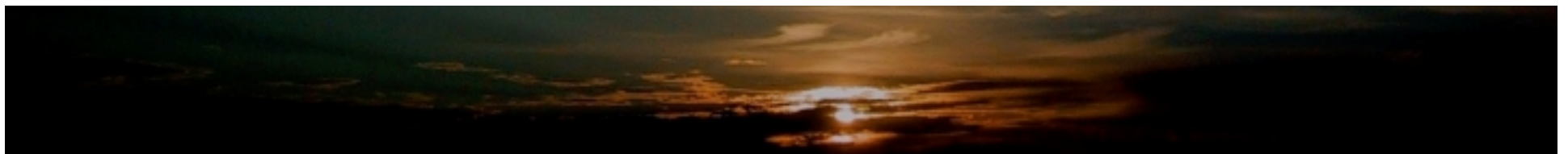
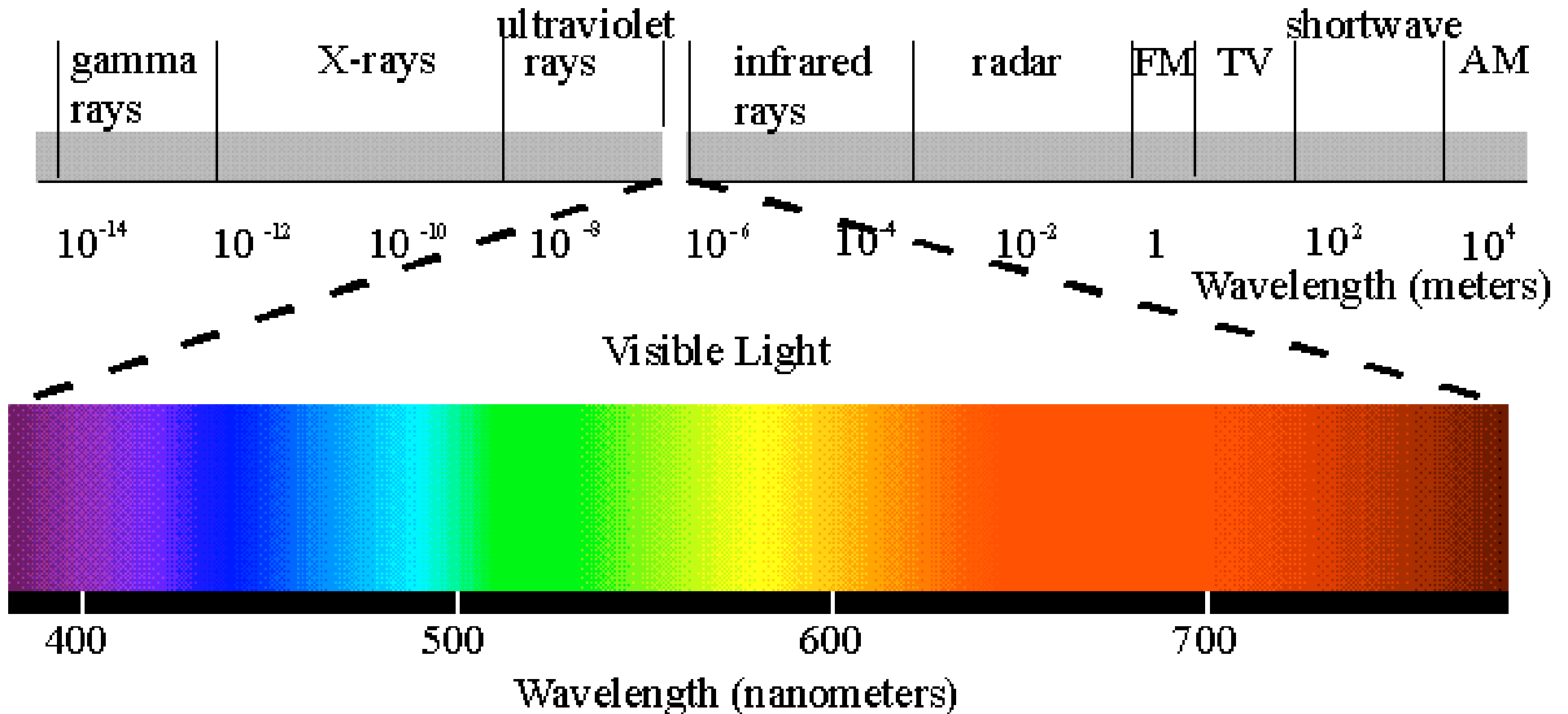
# Atmospheric Physics

*the application of physics to the study of the evolution and present state of the Earth's atmosphere*

## **My Research - Experimental Atmospheric Physics**

- Remote sounding of atmospheric composition from the ground, balloons, and satellites
- Ultraviolet-visible-infrared spectroscopic techniques

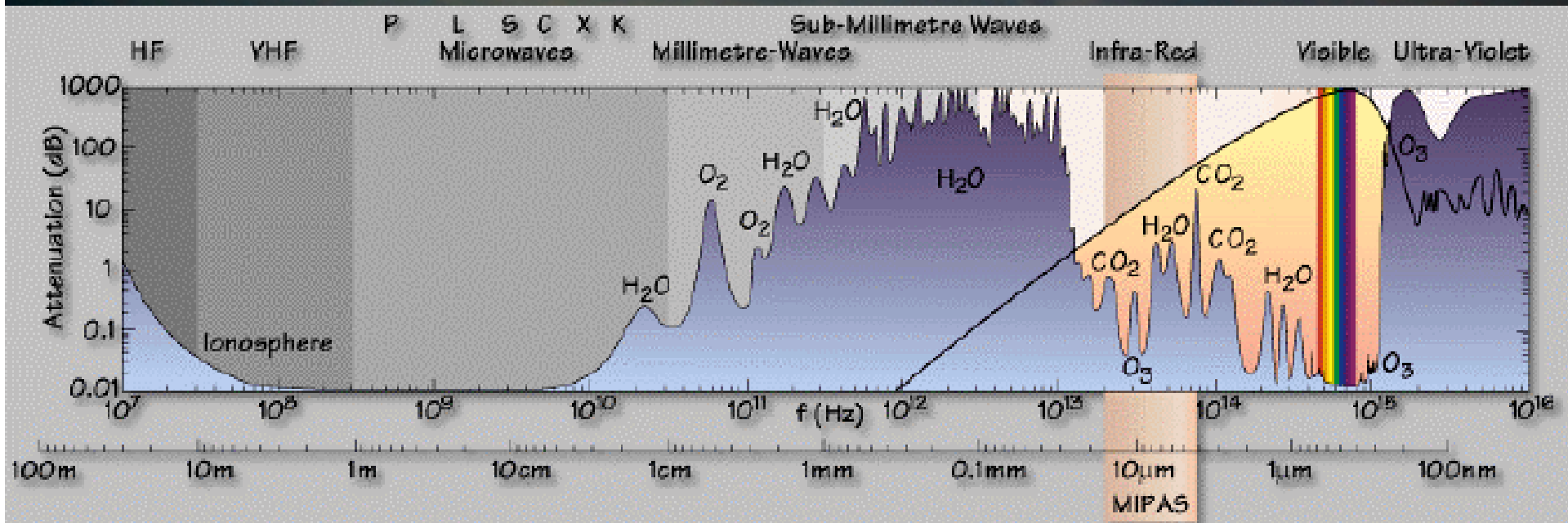
# Electromagnetic Spectrum



# Atmospheric Remote Sounding

“Measurement at a distance”

- Information is carried by electromagnetic radiation
- Based on spectroscopy which is the study of EM radiation that has interacted with matter



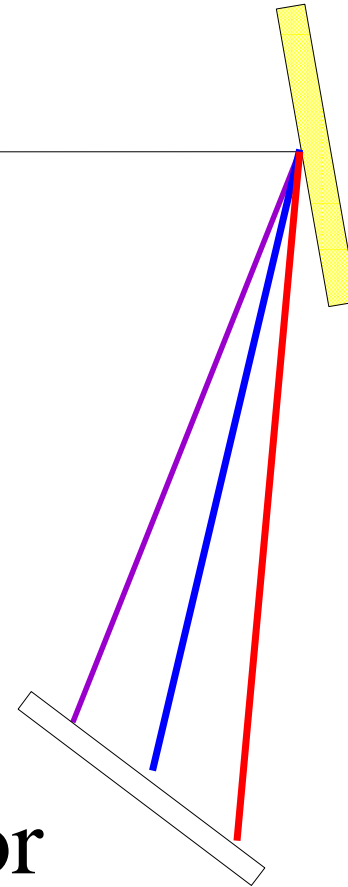
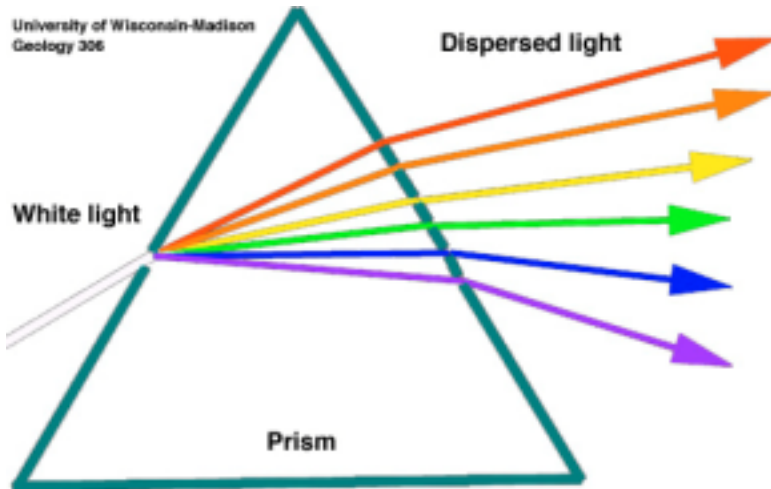
# Our Basic Tool: Spectrometer

Entrance Slit

Diffraction Grating

Lens

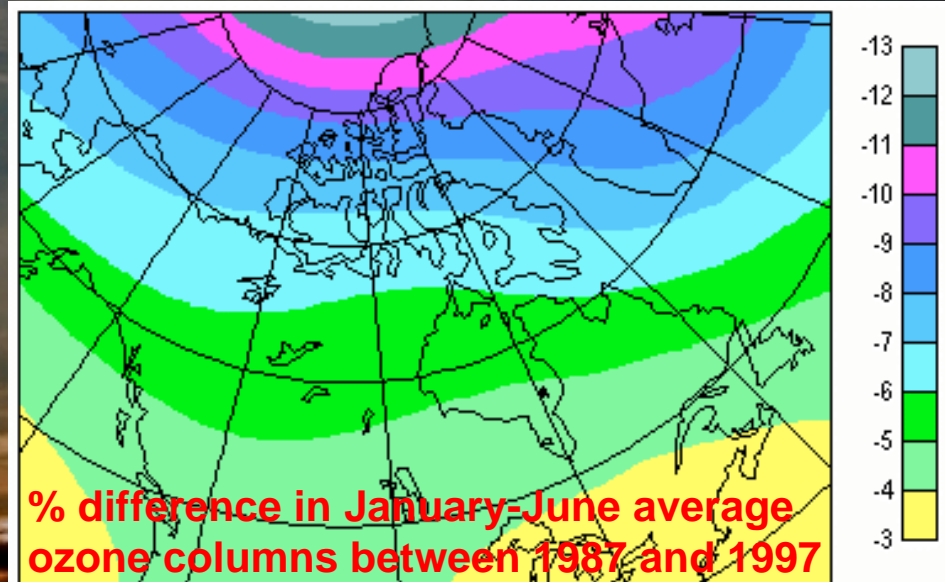
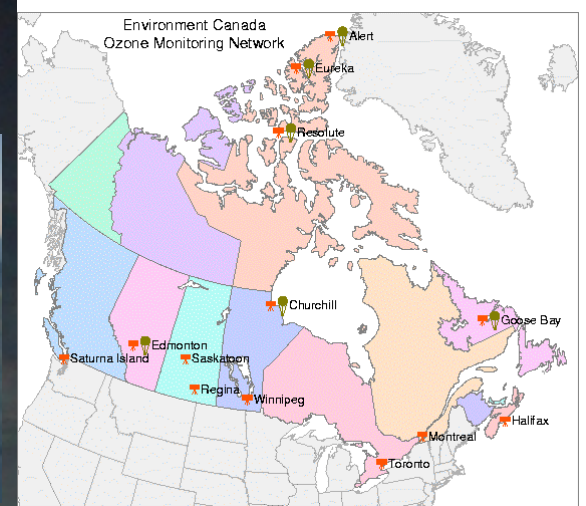
Detector





# Research Projects

- Arctic ozone depletion

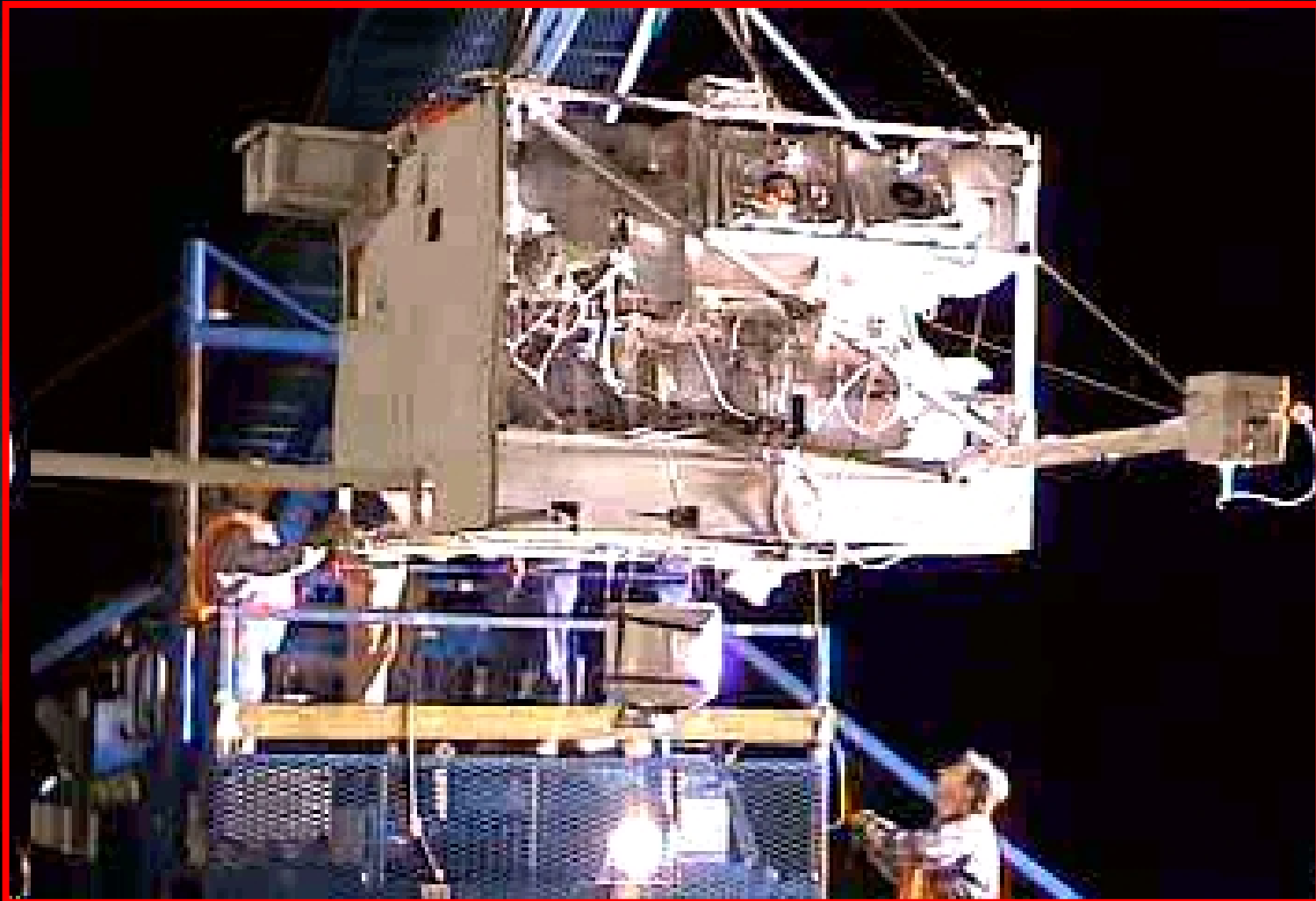




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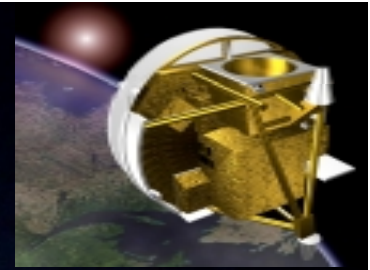
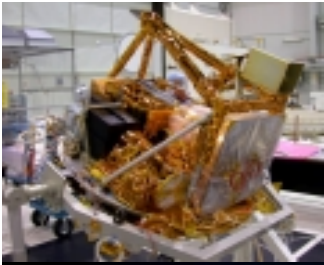
- MANTRA balloon campaigns to study ozone layer



# MANTRA 98: "The one that got away"

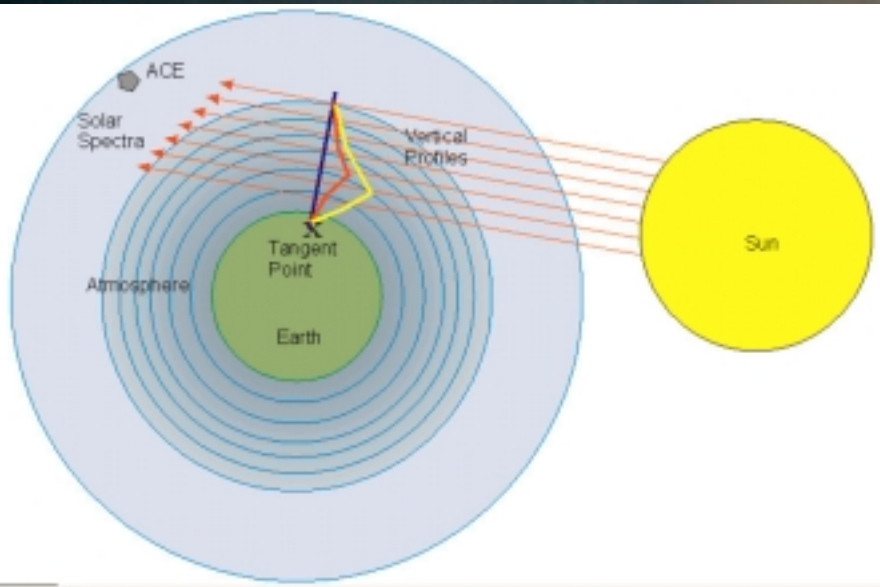


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## Atmospheric Chemistry Experiment

- Carries two instruments to measure gases and aerosols
- Goal: to gain a better understanding of stratospheric ozone processes



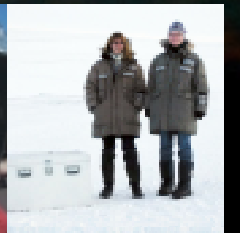
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## U of Toronto Atmospheric Observatory

- Daily measurements -  
air quality and the  
ozone layer



# Science is a Team Effort



A composite image of Earth from space. The top half shows the Earth's horizon with a bright orange-red glow, possibly from the sun or a satellite. The bottom half shows a dark, textured map of the world, with a bright yellow-green glow over the Americas. The background is a dark, starry space.

**How Did I Become a Scientist?**

**We are all scientists when young!**

# How Did I Become a Scientist?

- B.Sc., Memorial University of Newfoundland
- D.Phil., Atmospheric Physics, Oxford
- Post-doctoral fellow, Cambridge & York U





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# Back to PHY138...

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# Syllabus for Q3 - Electromagnetism

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**(parts of) Chapters 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32**

- Electric Forces and Electric Fields
- Electric Potential Energy
- The Electric Potential
- Equipotentials and Energy in Capacitors
- Currents, Resistance, and Resistivity
- Circuits and Kirchoff's Laws
- Magnetic Fields and Magnetic Force

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# Feedback from You - 1 (Surveys and Representative Assemblies)

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## Lectures

- Like announcements, demos, animations
- Clicker questions - useful
  - like to have them solved on screen
  - request for challenging questions!
- Student questions - mixed reaction
  - request to read the questions answered
  - I will try to limit my answers to physics Q's
- Examples - you want more ...

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# Feedback from You - 2 (Surveys and Representative Assemblies)

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## Tutorials

- Mixed response to Student Workbook Q's
- Request to post the list of Student Workbook questions on the web
  - I will do this, along with the suggested problems
- I will give TAs solutions to both, so you and your TA can decide what to cover each week
- We want the tutorials to be a group activity, not just watching the TA solve problems

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**Have a great break!**

*(and read Chapter 25)*

**See you on January 8**