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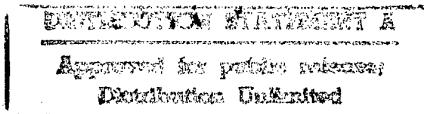
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INTRODUCTION

The background to the project was given in previous reports (Kersley, et.al., 1994¹ and references therein). The early part of the work was concerned with the study of ionospheric electron content and radio-wave scintillations in the sub-auroral ionosphere. The original experimental observations were made using a receiving system for transmissions from NNSS satellites located at Lerwick (60.1°N , 1.2°W). Subsequent observations of the scintillation of the received signals were made at Whitby (54.5°N , 0.6°E). In addition, a chain of four stations was established in UK (Figure 1), essentially in a meridian and covering same 9° latitude, to monitor total electron content using the differential doppler technique with a view to providing tomographic reconstructions of ionospheric electron density on an extended basis. Some examples of two-dimensional images of electron density obtained from the resultant data set were presented in an earlier report to illustrate the power of the tomographic method.

RESULTS

The present report takes the form of an atlas of tomographic images obtained from successive satellite passes over this extended period from early-January to mid-April 1992. These serve to demonstrate the potential of ionospheric tomography in the routine monitoring of ionospheric electron density over a region of substantial spatial coverage. Of particular interest in the data presented here is the location and form of the main ionospheric trough, a key feature of the sub-auroral ionosphere. In the earlier part of the work, data from all available satellite passes were analysed to give complete diurnal coverage. However, it later became

¹ Kersley, L., Russell, C.D., and Pryse, S.E. Ionospheric structure over northern Europe. Report AFOSR-91-0414, University of Wales, Aberystwyth, November 1994

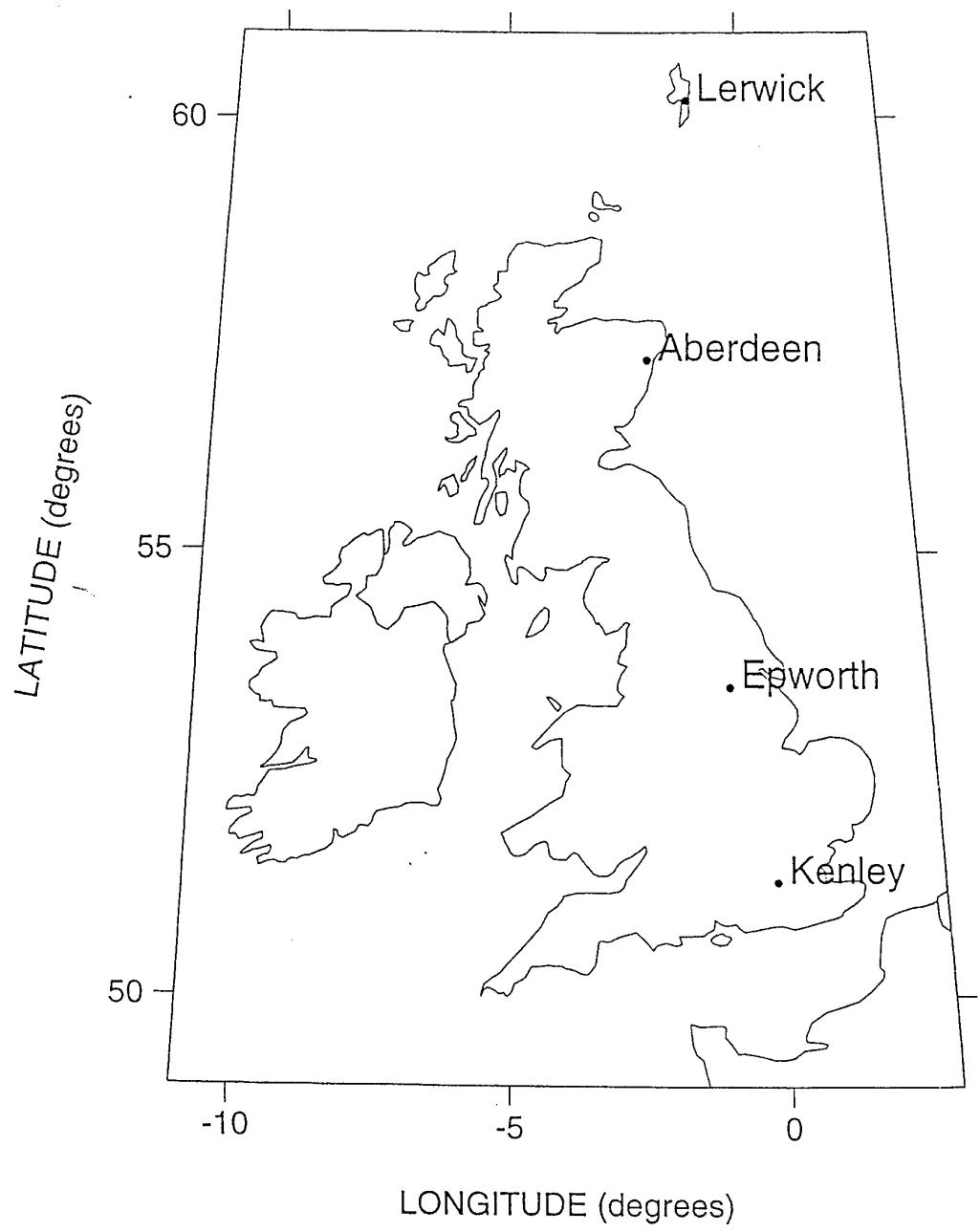


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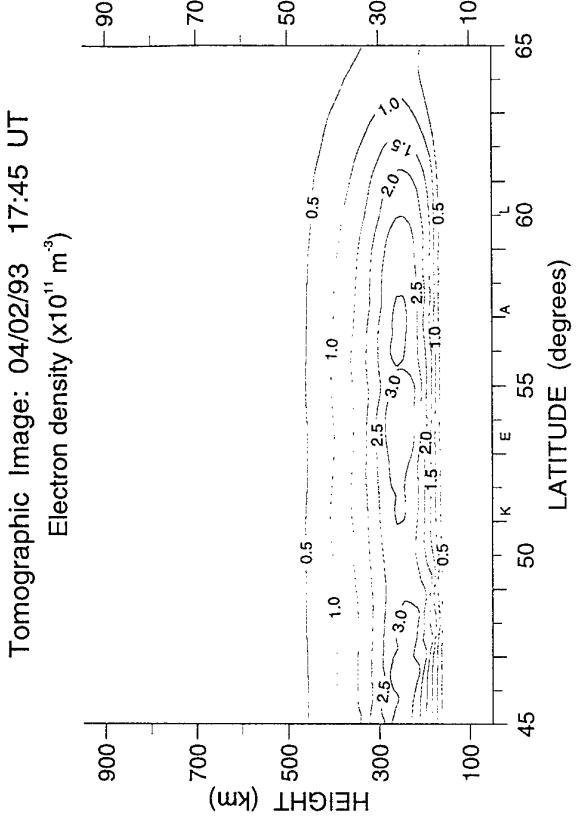
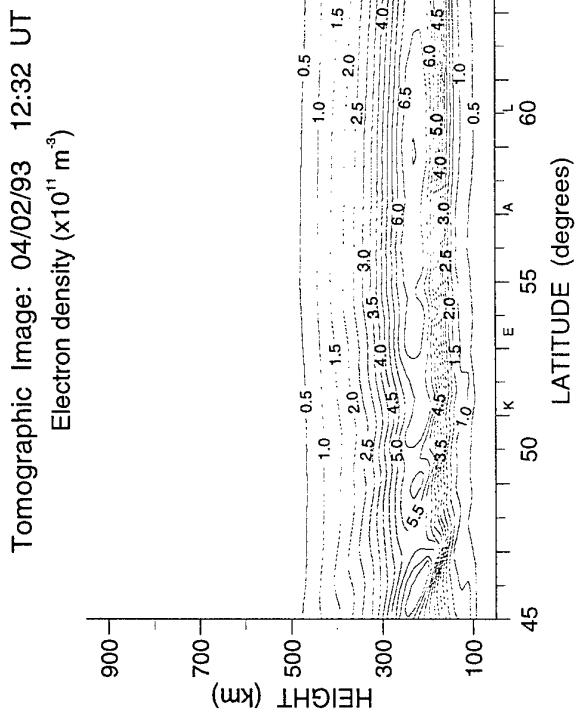
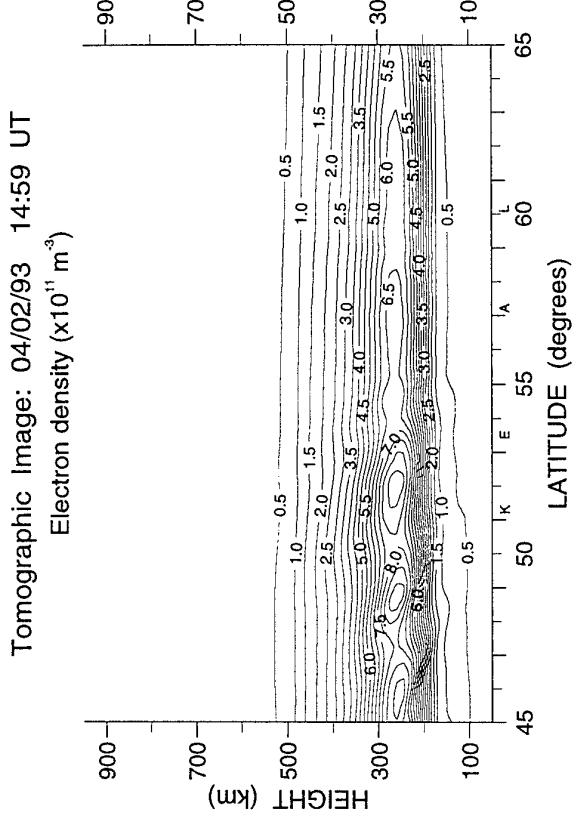
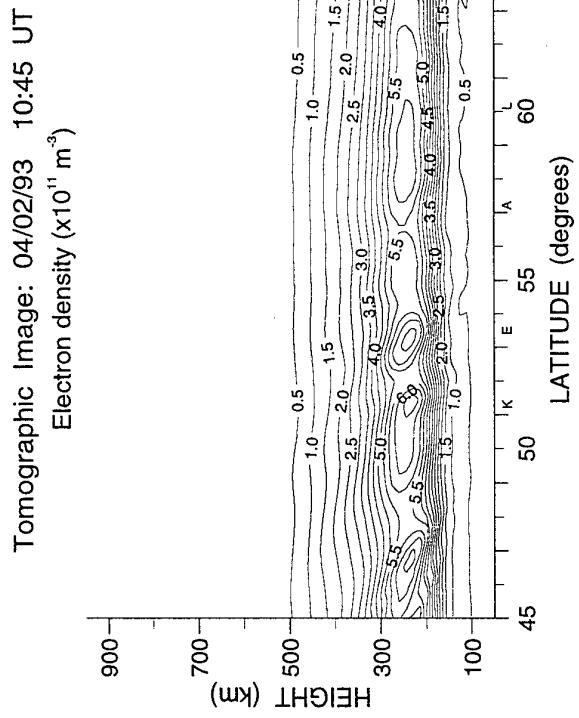
clear that it would not be possible to reconstruct images from all passes in the available time, so to some extent the analysis has been concentrated on the nighttime observations with the intention of bringing out the features of the trough. The results illustrate the power of the tomographic reconstruction technique as a routine monitor of the trough and serve to demonstrate the importance of the role of the trough in the nighttime sub-auroral ionosphere.

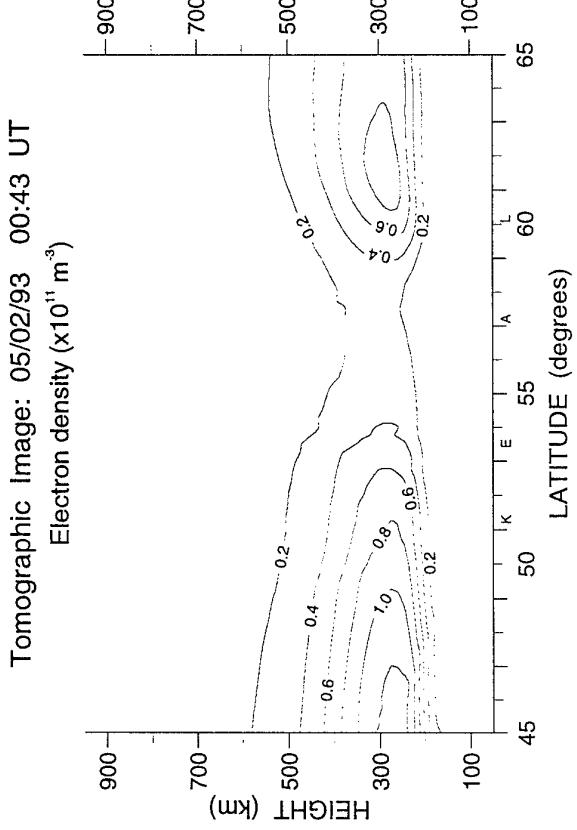
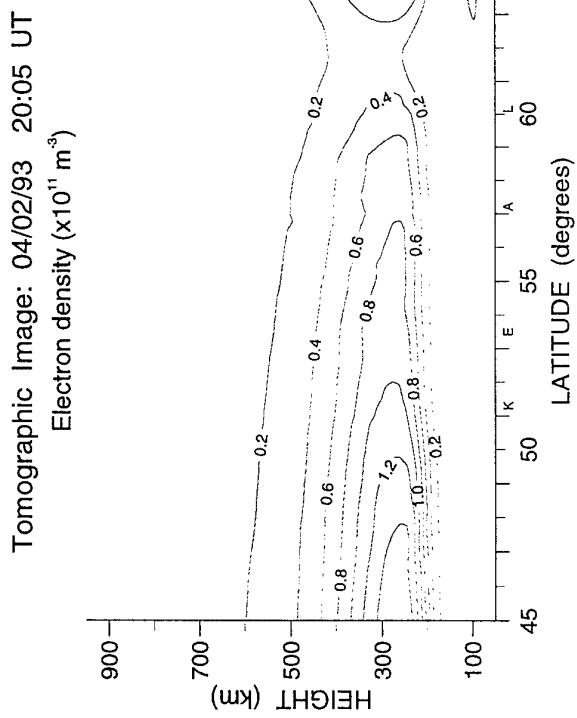
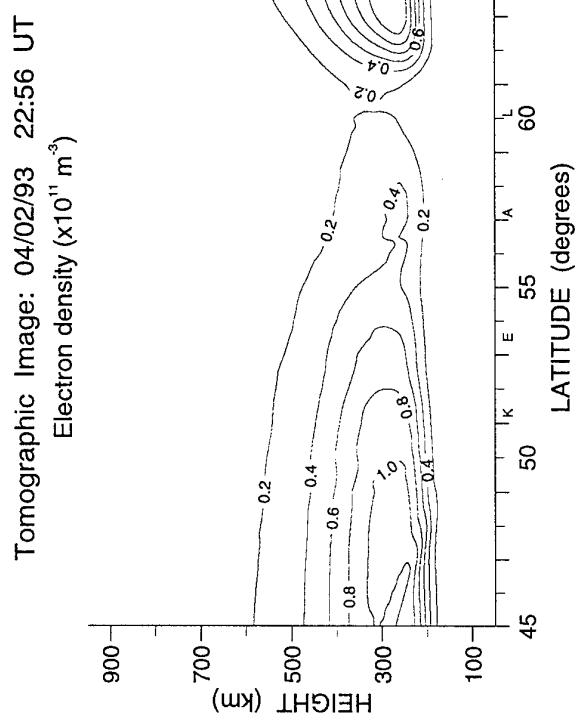
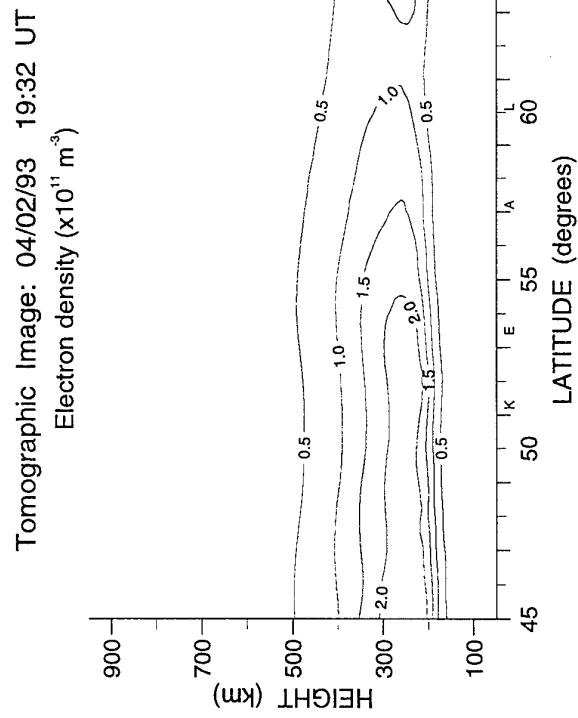
The images presented here have been obtained by inversion of the multistation total electron content measurements using a reconstruction method essentially similar to that described by Kersley et al (1993)². The two-stage method involves the creation of an appropriate background ionosphere that is then used to initialise a MART iterative algorithm. For the present work the background has been based on the IRI90 model ionosphere, updated with input on the density and height of the layer peak obtained from the ionosonde at Slough (51.5°N) when available. The poor contouring of the bottomside ionosphere in a number of the tomographic images for daytime arises from E-layer input in the background model and represents a current limitation in ionospheric tomography. Work is progressing in developing techniques to image E-layer ionisation and to create smooth contouring in the valley region between the E- and F-layers. Another artefact of the method found in a few of the plots are the 'wings' or concentrations of contours along particular directions. These arise along lines where data from a particular station end due to loss of signal. The artefact can usually be identified with ease on the tomographic reconstruct as the concentration of the contours is directed downwards towards the latitude of one of the receiving stations.

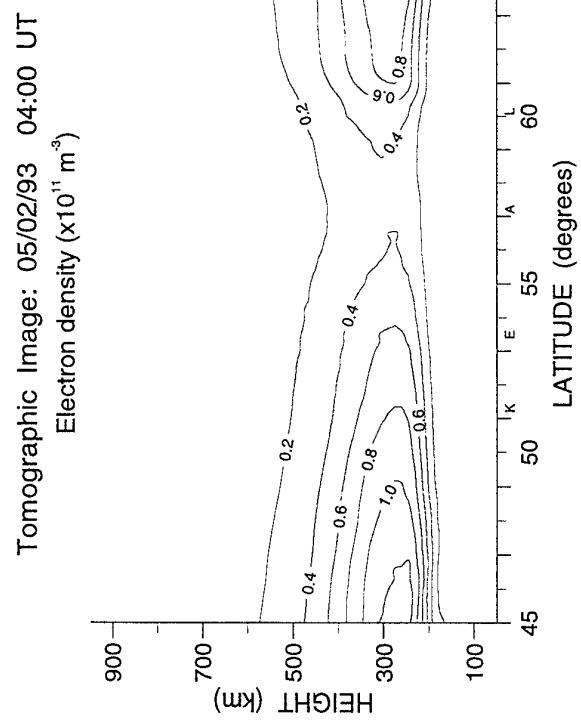
The images of electron density shown here represent the first set of comprehensive results from the tomographic method over an extended period of several months.

² Kersley, L., Heaton, J.A.T., Pryse, S.E., and Raymund, T.D., Experimental ionospheric tomography with ionosonde input and EISCAT verification, *Ann. Geophysical*, 11, 1064-1074, 1993

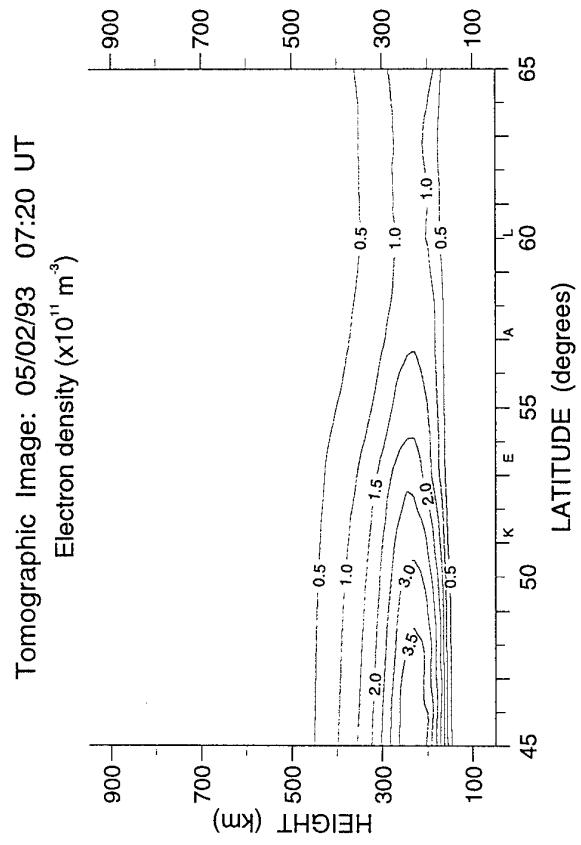
They serve to illustrate the potential power of ionospheric tomography in the routine monitoring of structures in the electron density like the mid-latitude trough.



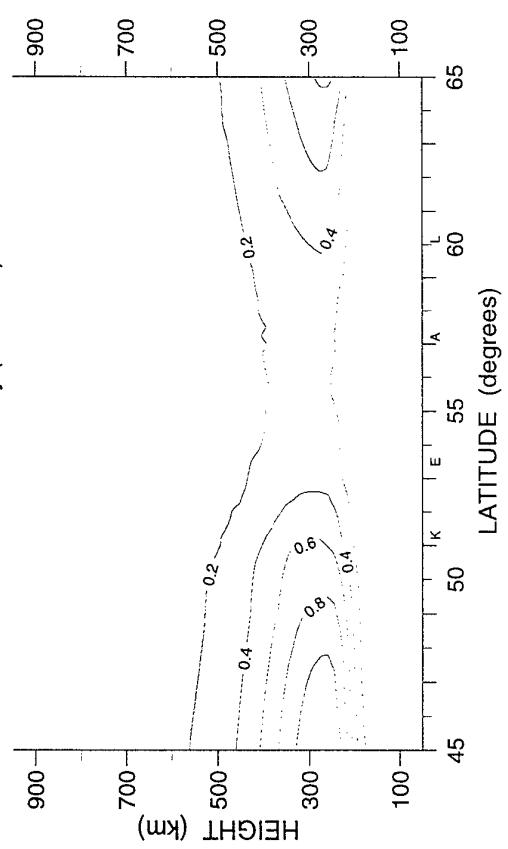
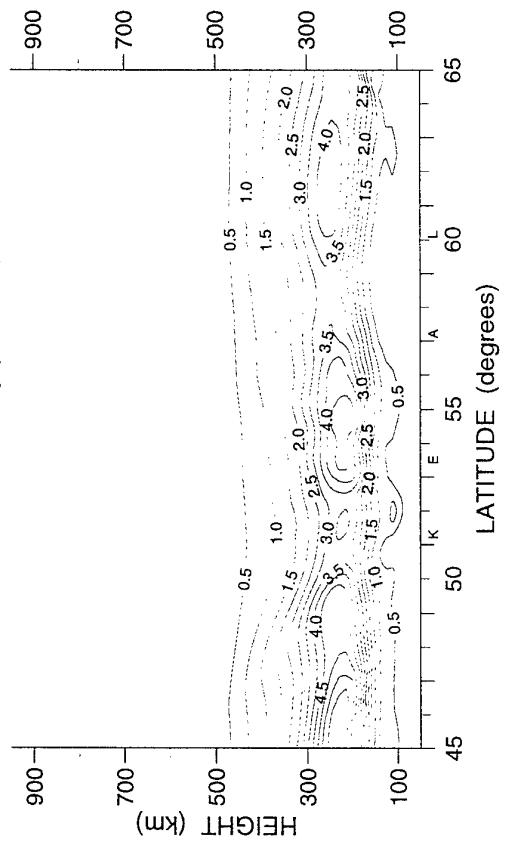




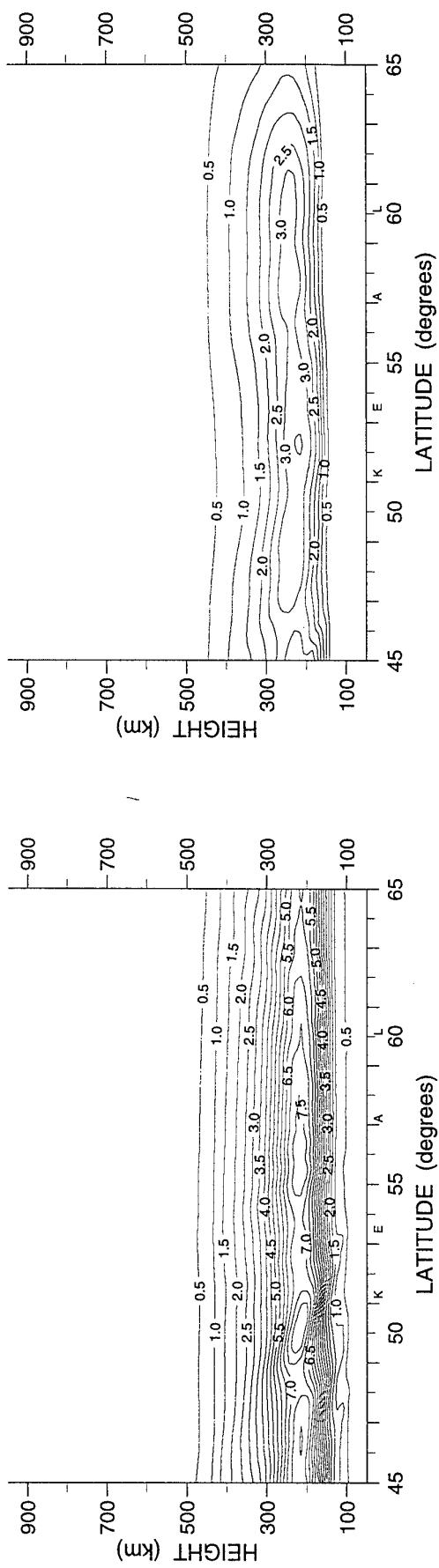
This figure displays a tomographic image of Earth's ionosphere at 05/02/93, 04:00 UT. The vertical axis represents Electron density, scaled by 10^{11} m^{-3} , with contours labeled 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, and 1.0. The horizontal axis represents Latitude in degrees, with tick marks at 50, 55, 60, and A (Aurora). The image shows a complex pattern of density variations, with higher densities (up to 1.0) appearing as localized peaks, particularly around 55° and 60° latitude.



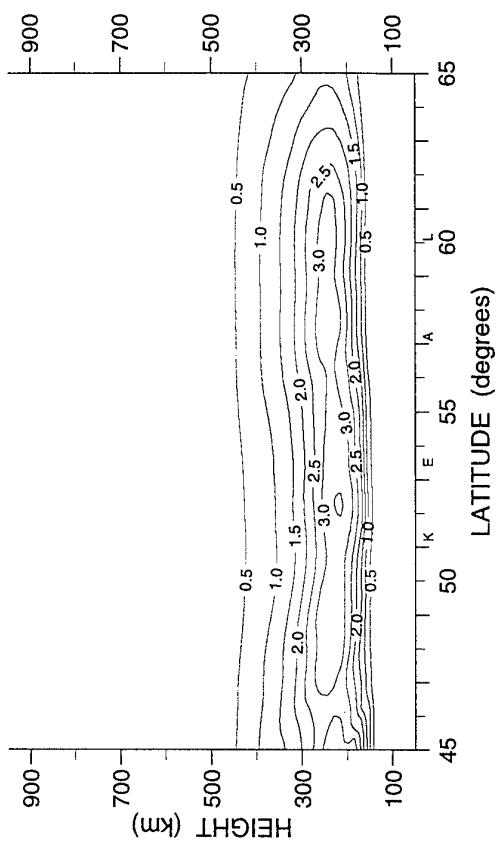
The figure displays a tomographic reconstruction of electron density in the Earth's magnetosphere at 05/02/93, 07:20 UT. The vertical axis represents LATITUDE (degrees) from -900 to 100, with labels at -900, -700, -500, -300, and 100. The horizontal axis represents LONGITUDE (degrees) from 50 to 65, with labels at 50, K, E, I_A, L, 60, and 65. Contours represent electron density in units of $\times 10^{11} \text{ m}^{-3}$, with values ranging from 0.5 to 3.5. The highest densities are located near the equator (0 degrees latitude) and in the central meridional plane (0 degrees longitude). A prominent feature is a high-density region (around 3.0-3.5) centered near (0, 0).



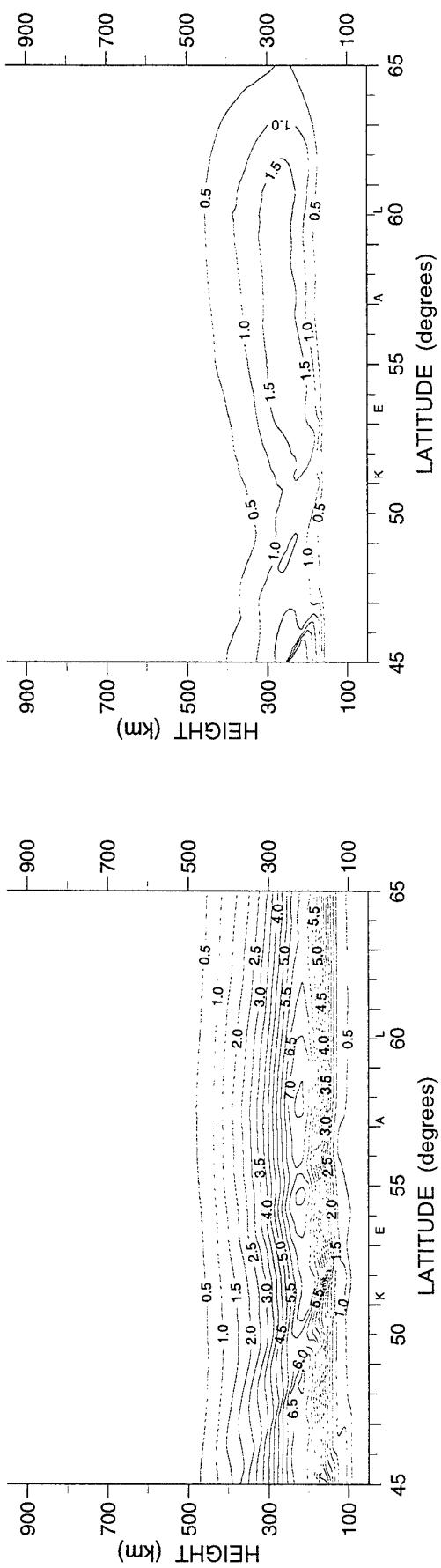
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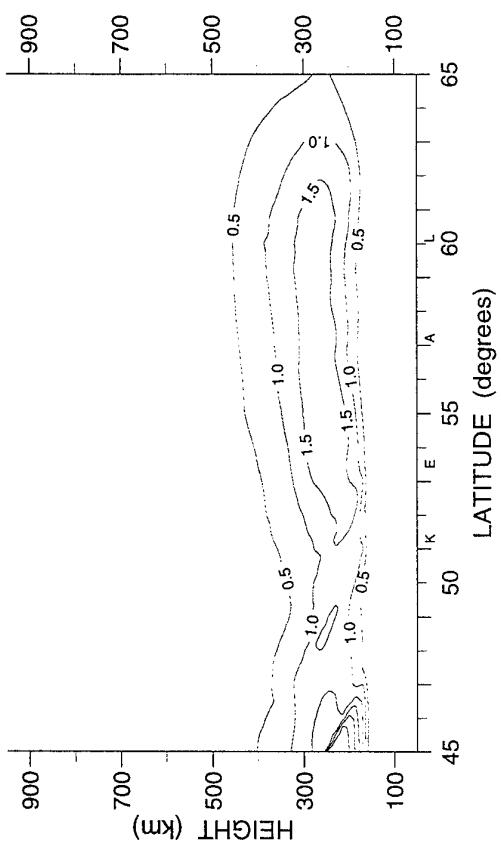
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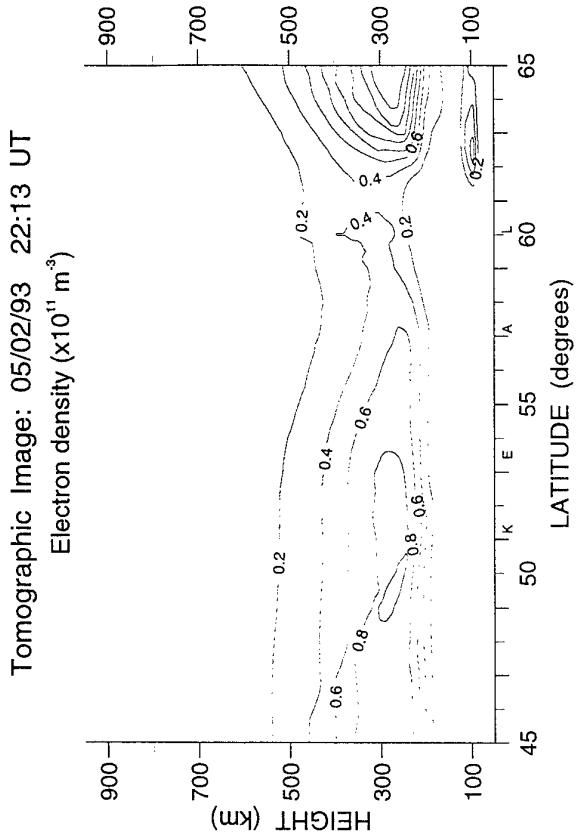
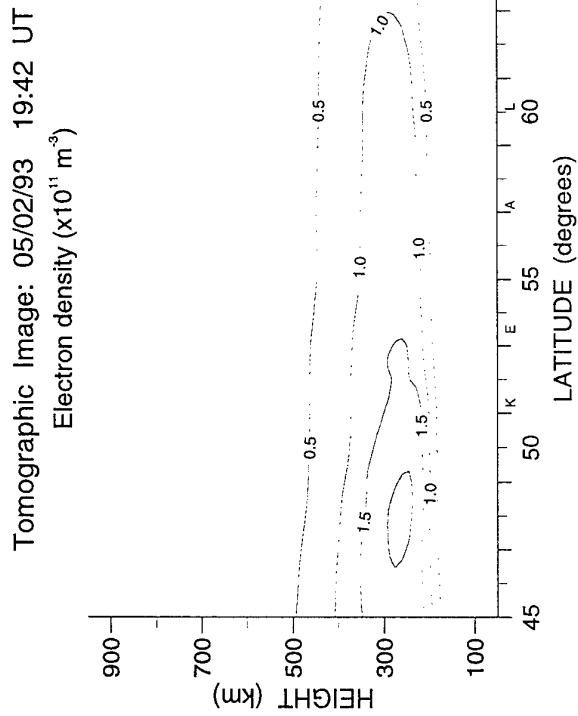
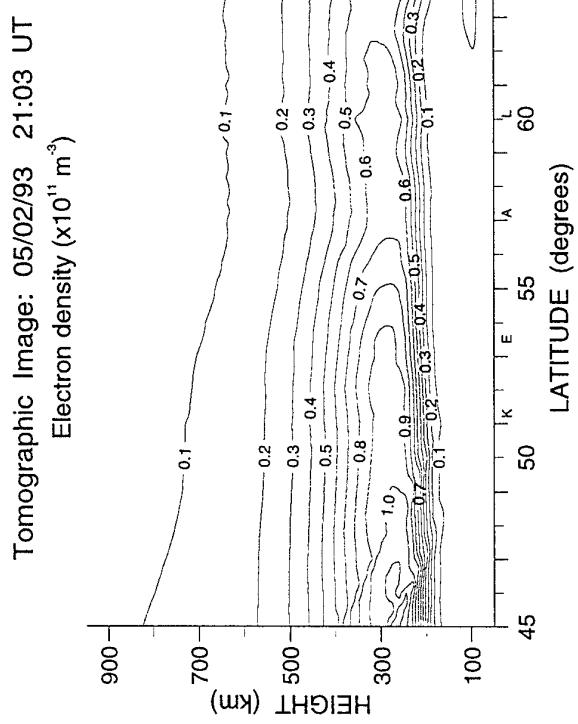
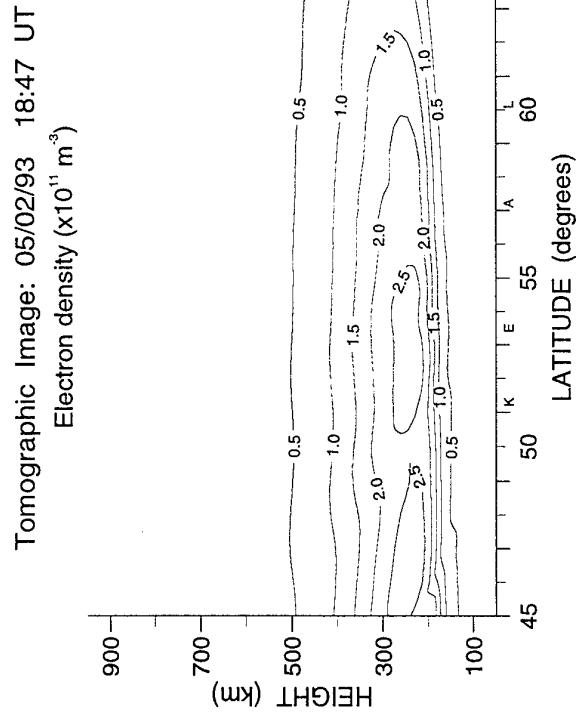


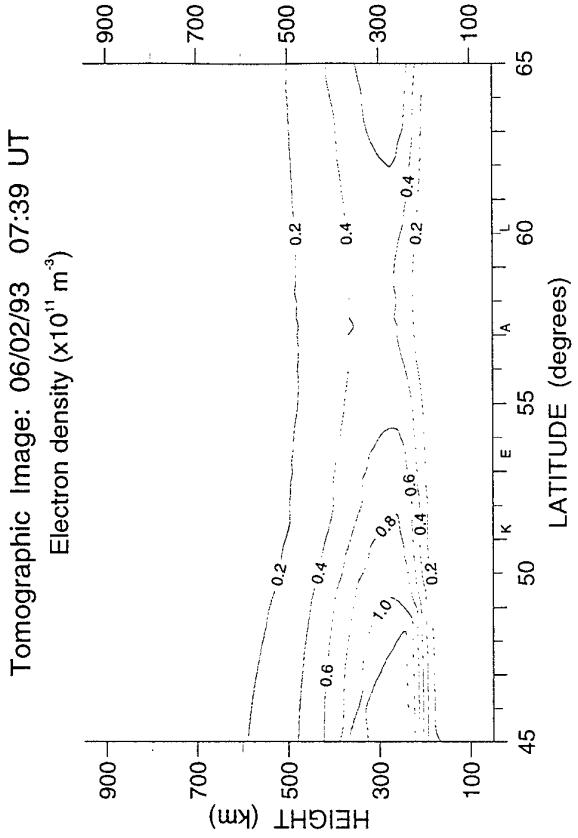
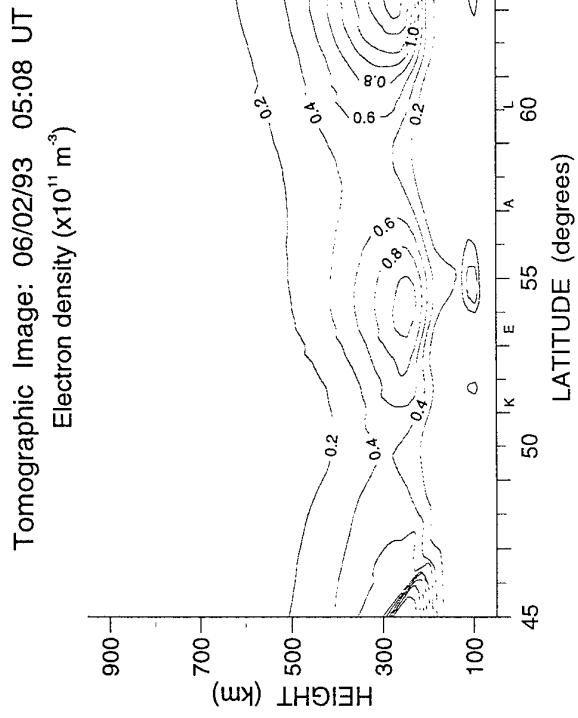
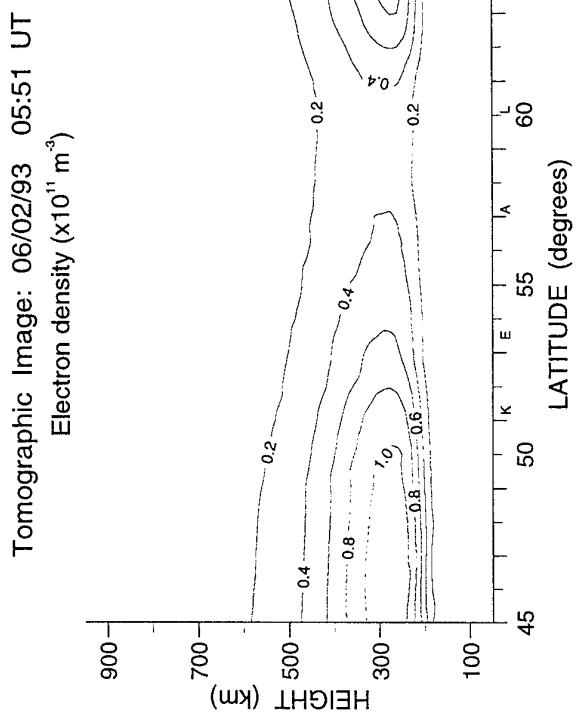
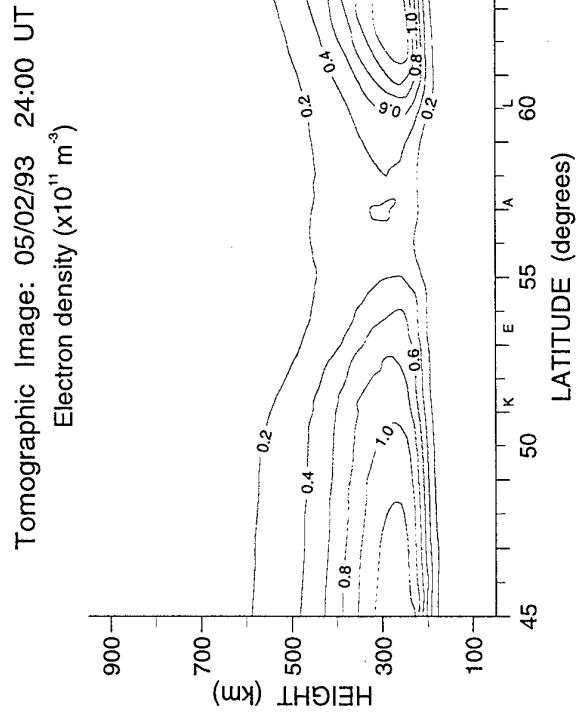
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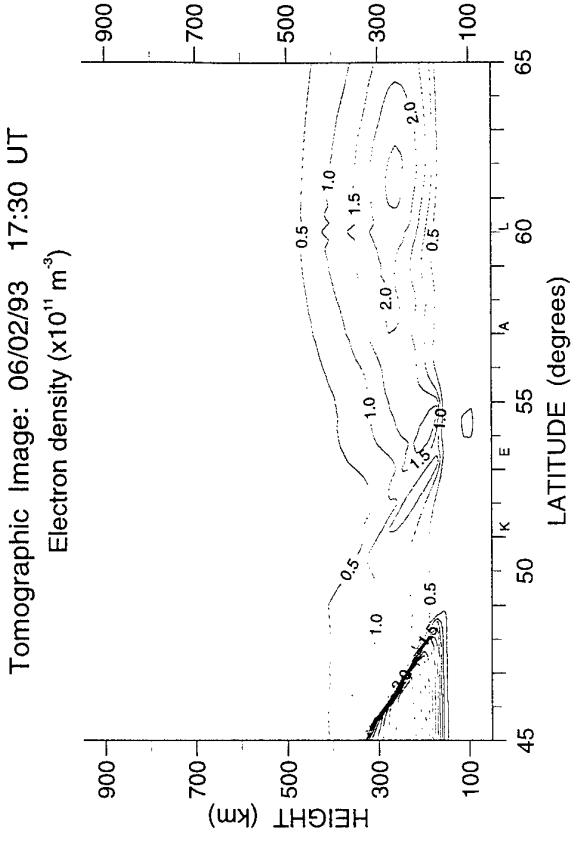
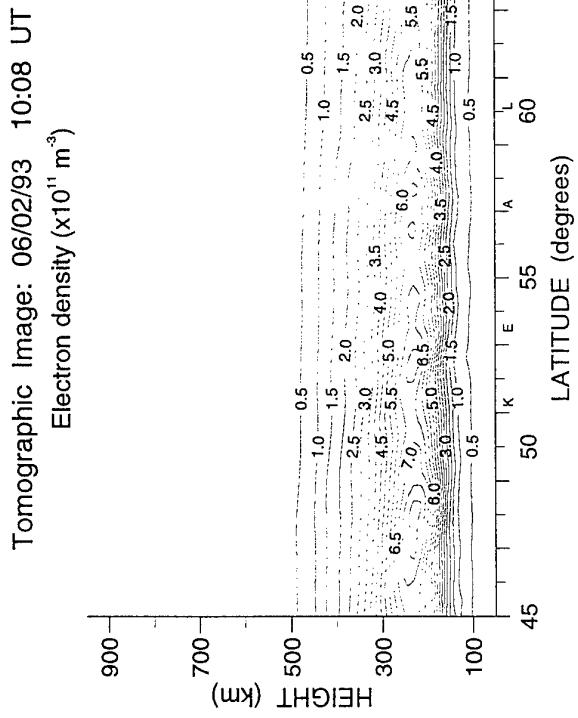
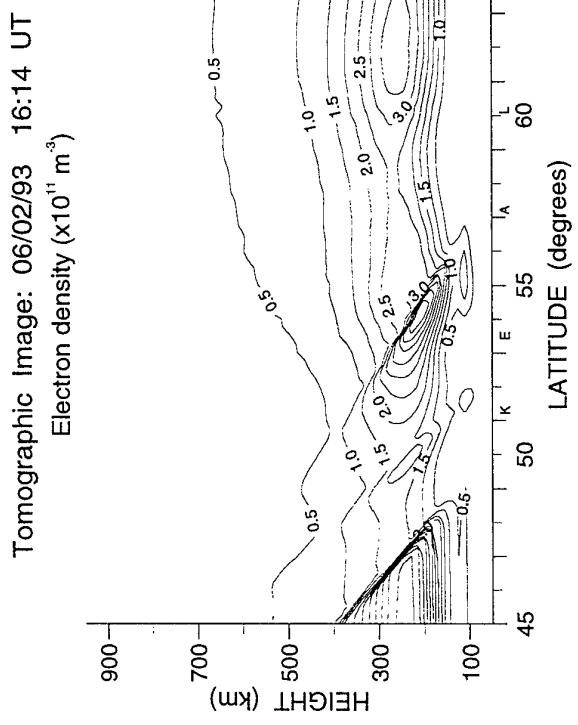
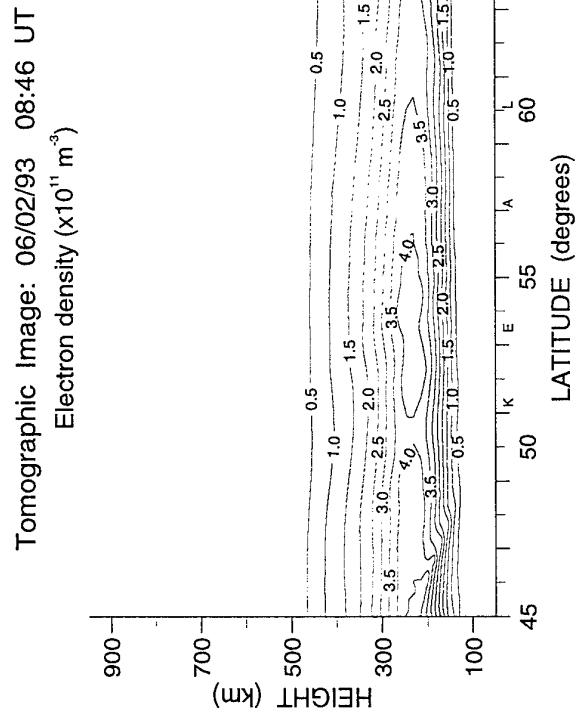


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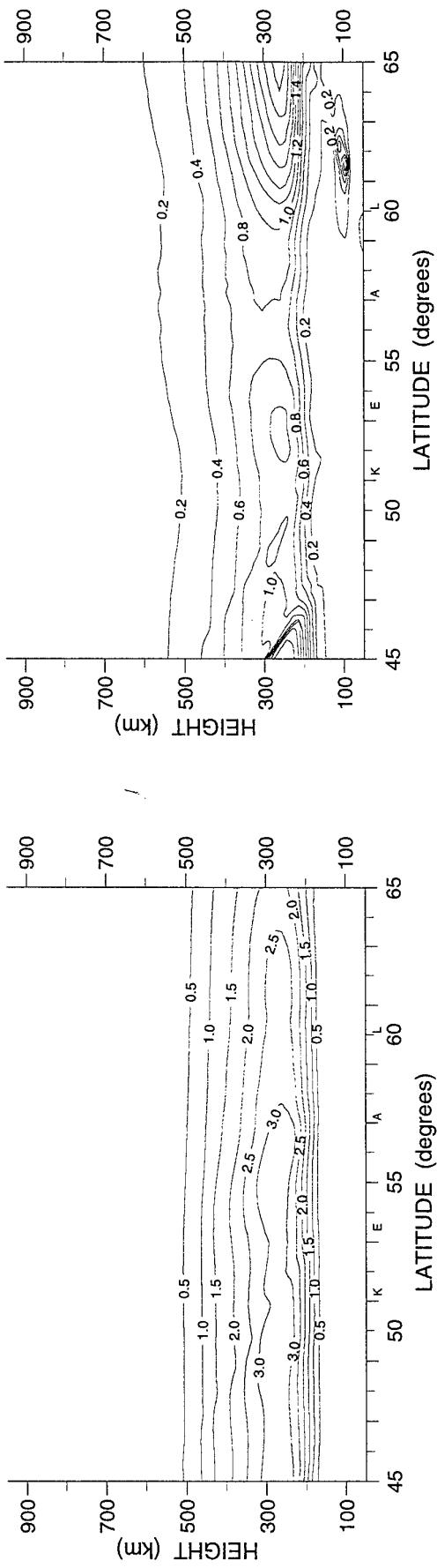




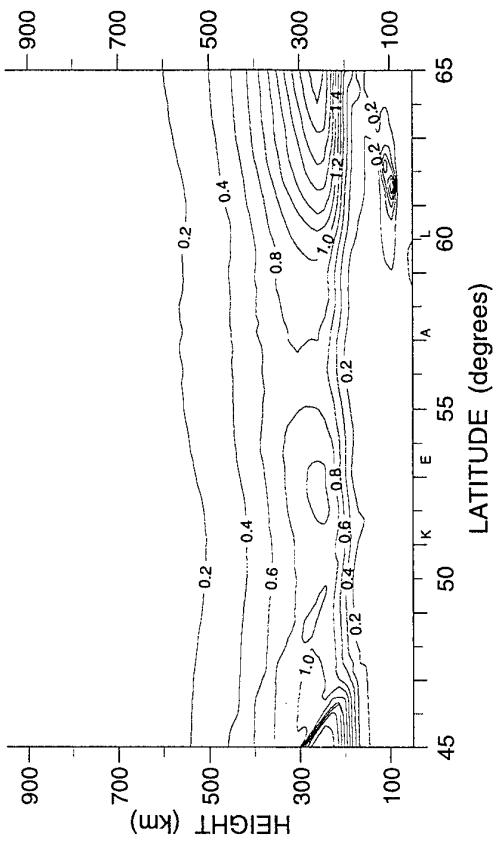




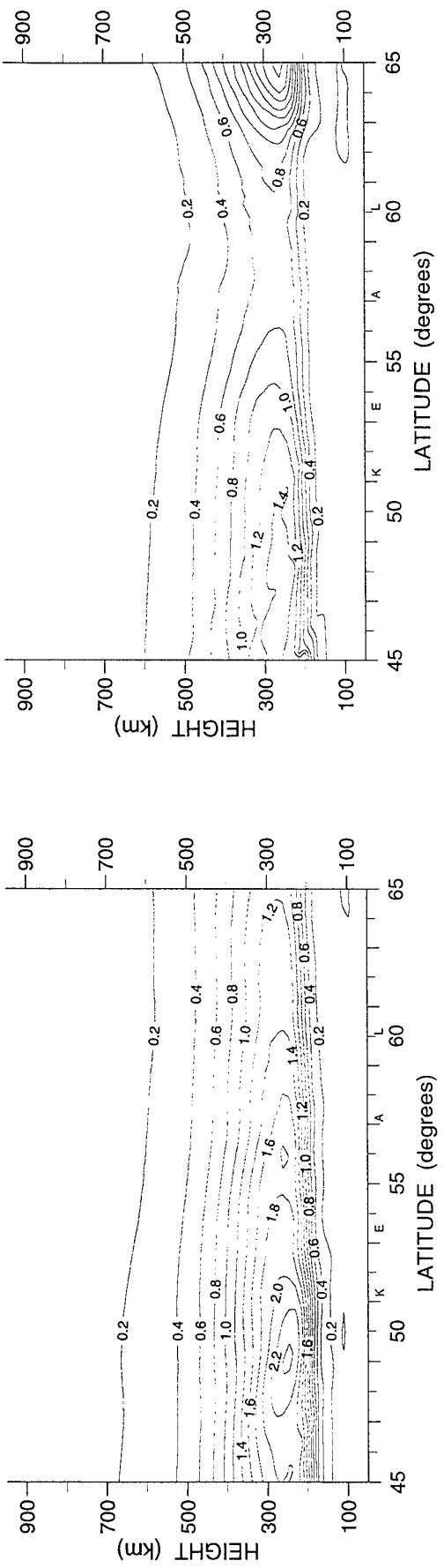
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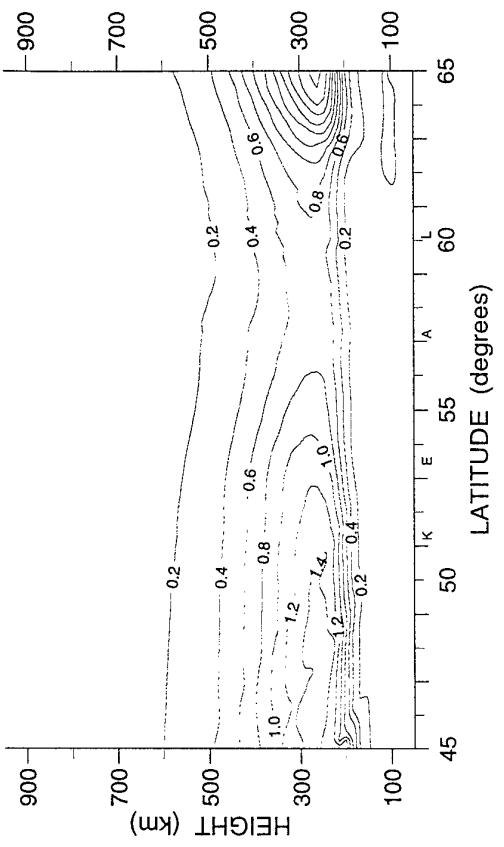
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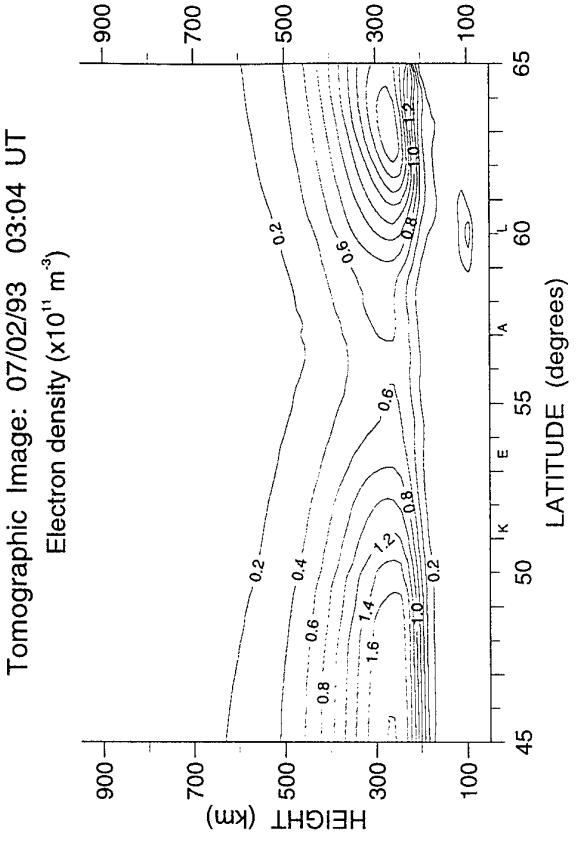
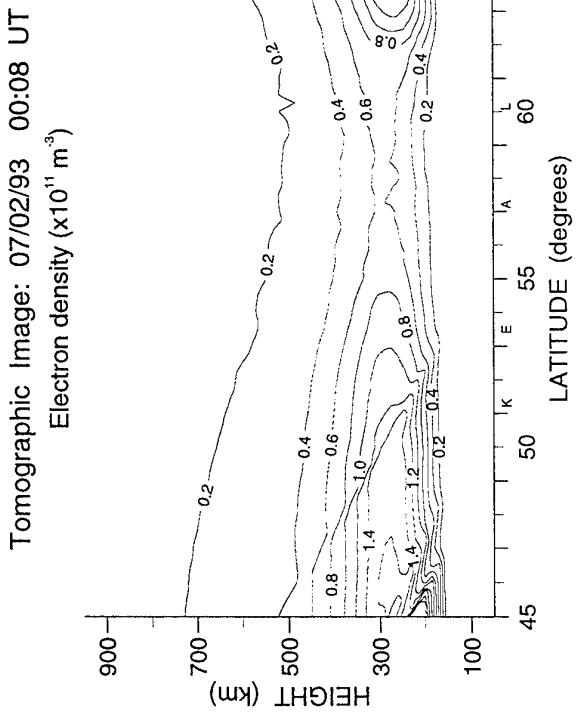
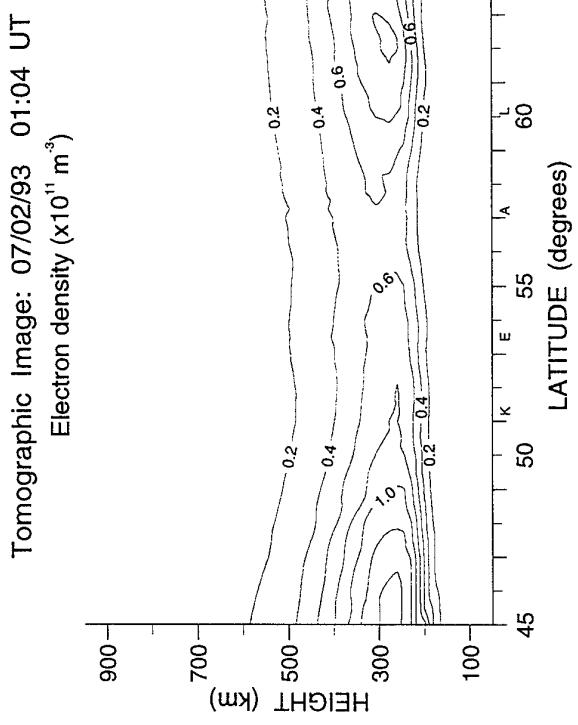
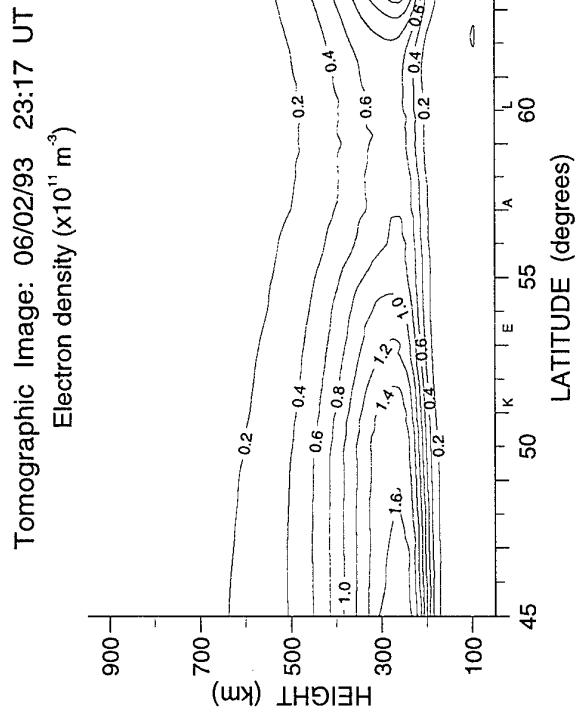


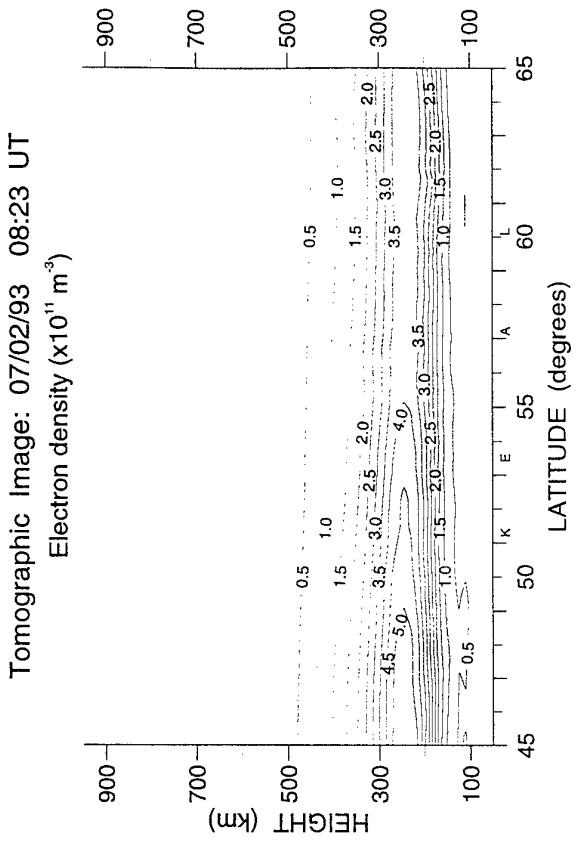
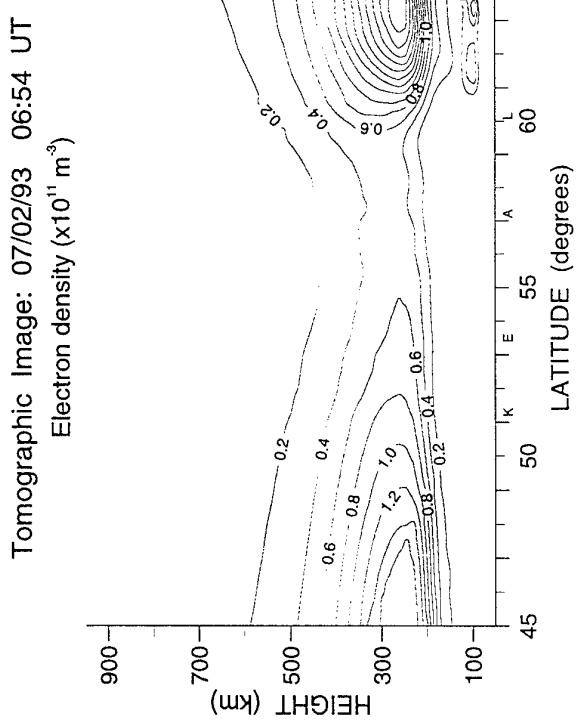
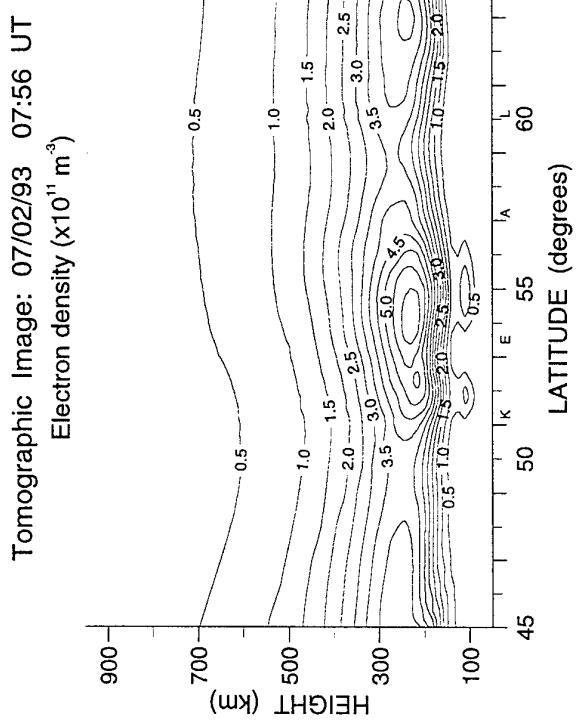
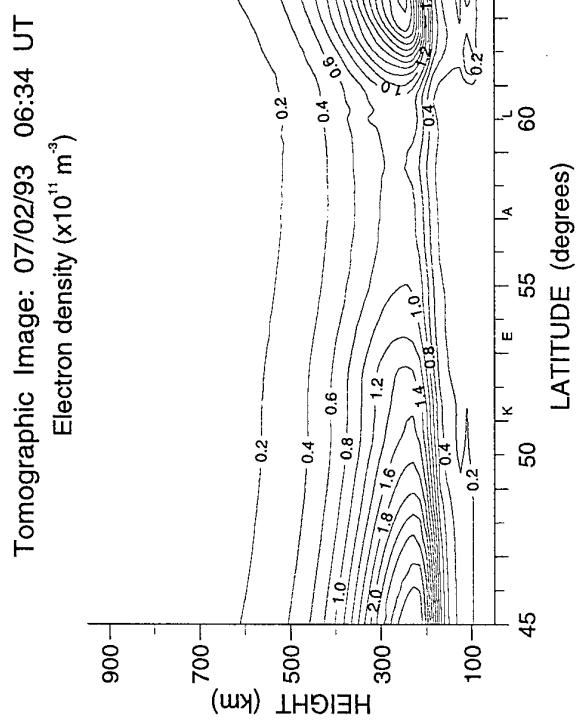
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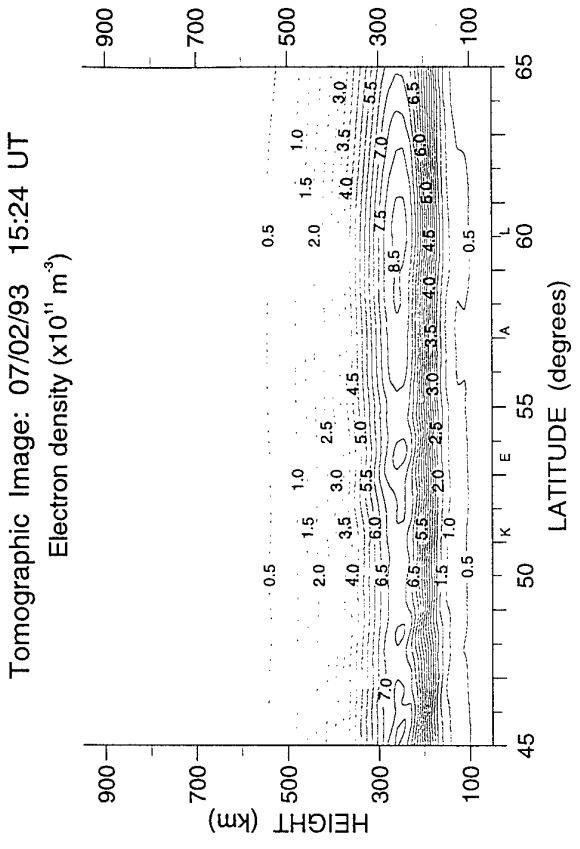
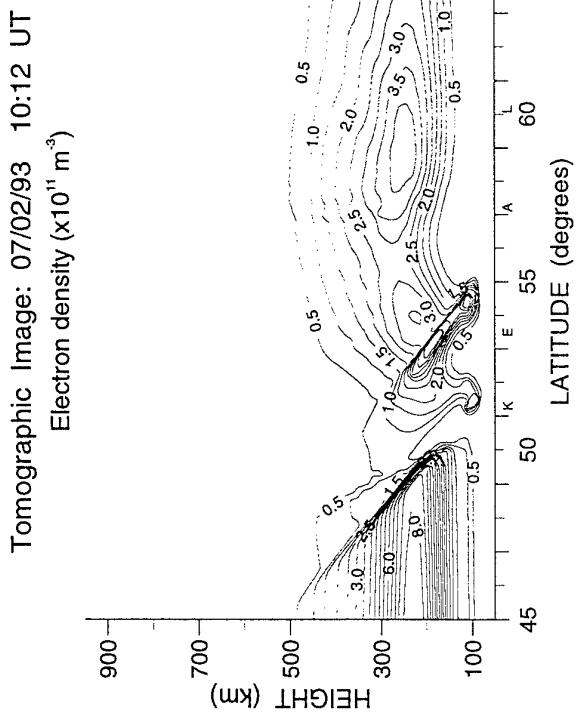
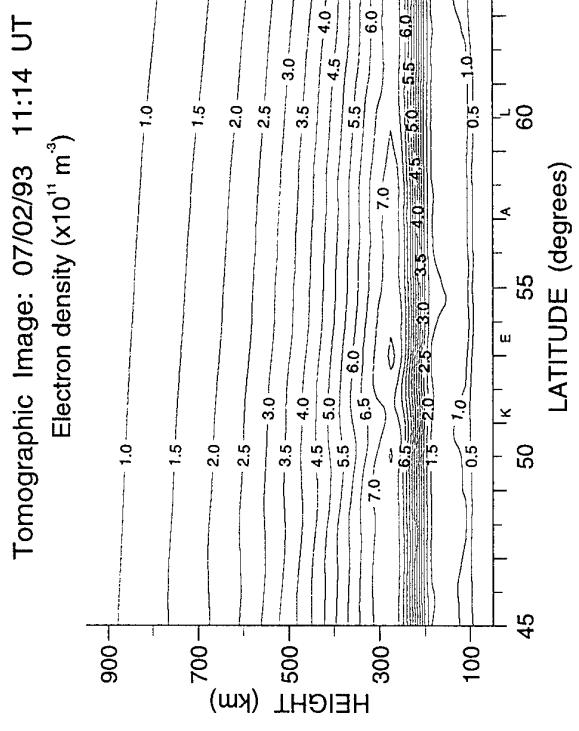
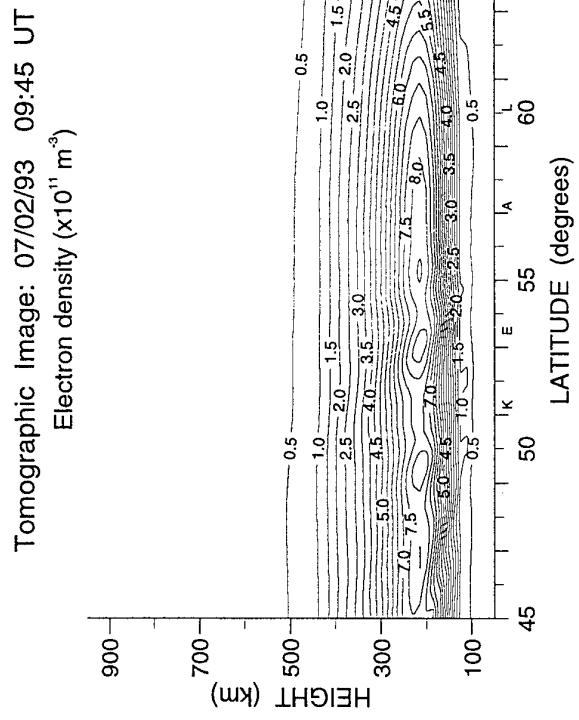


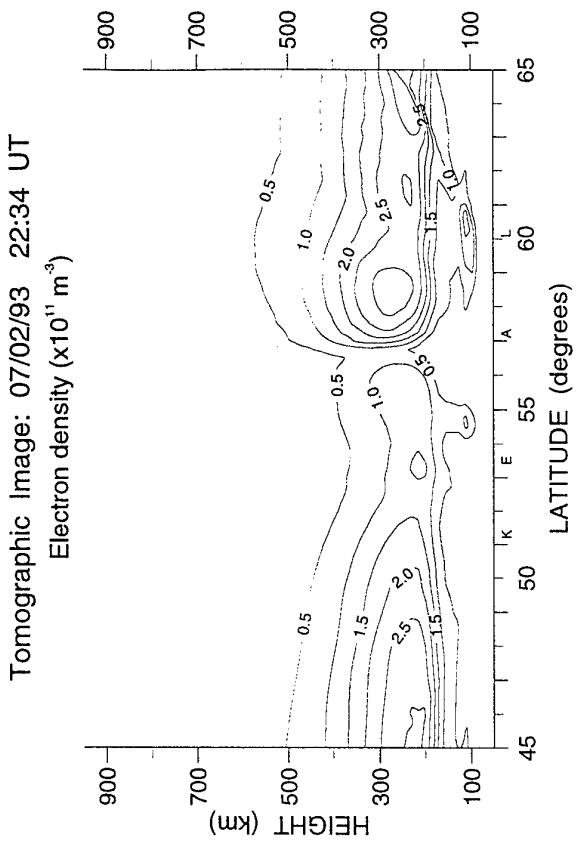
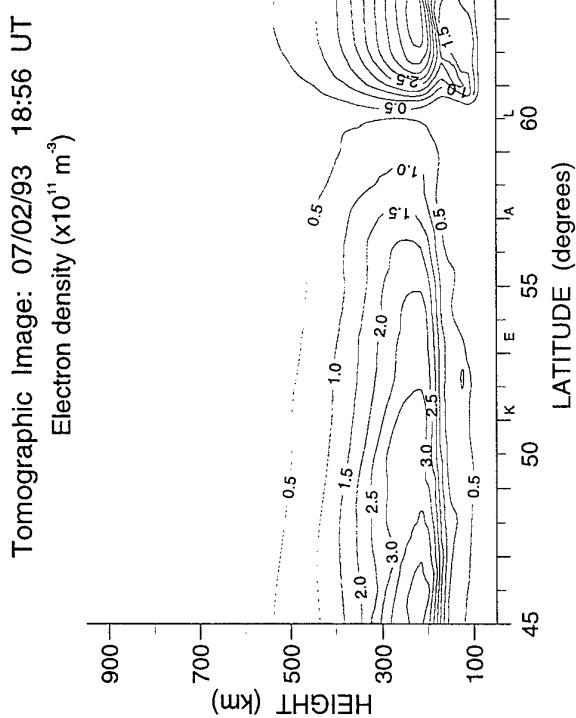
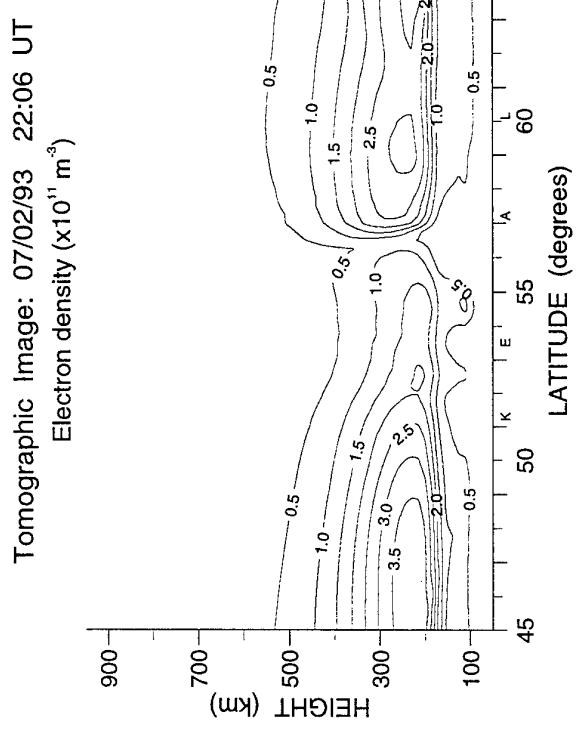
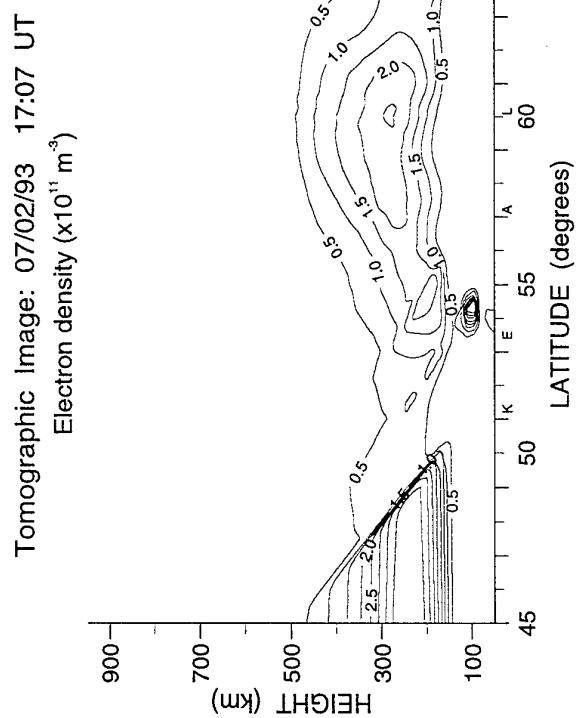
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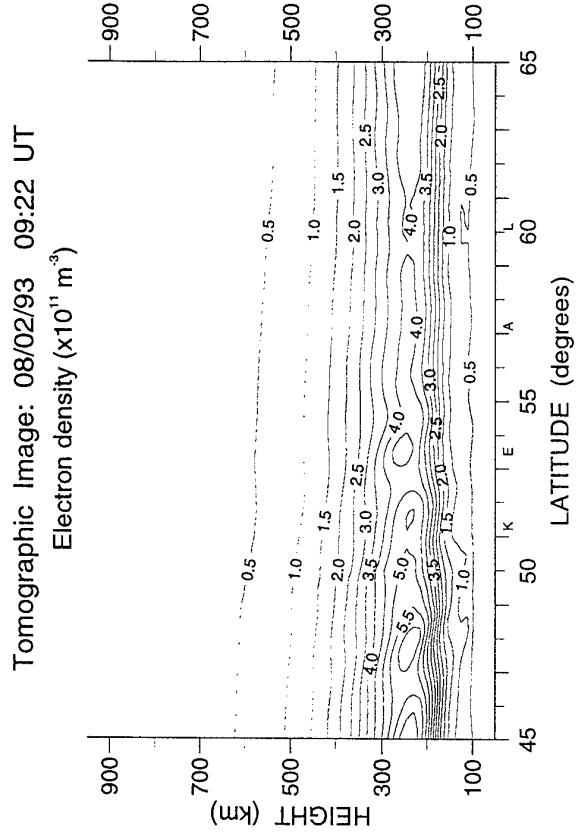
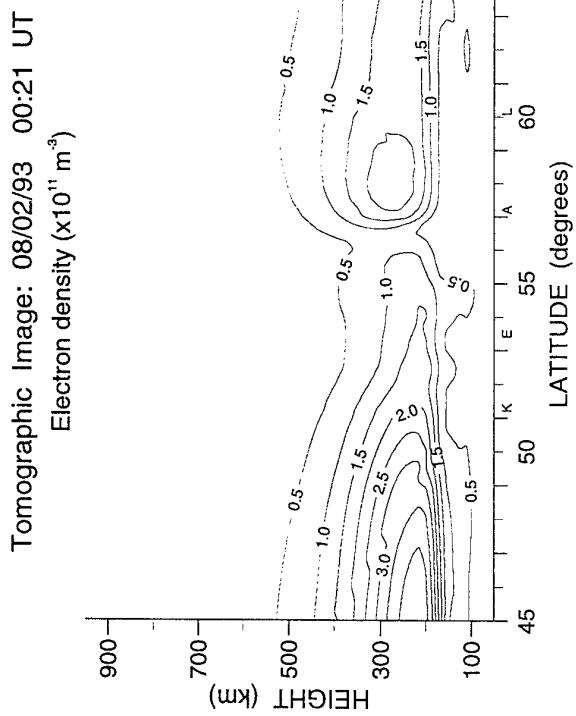
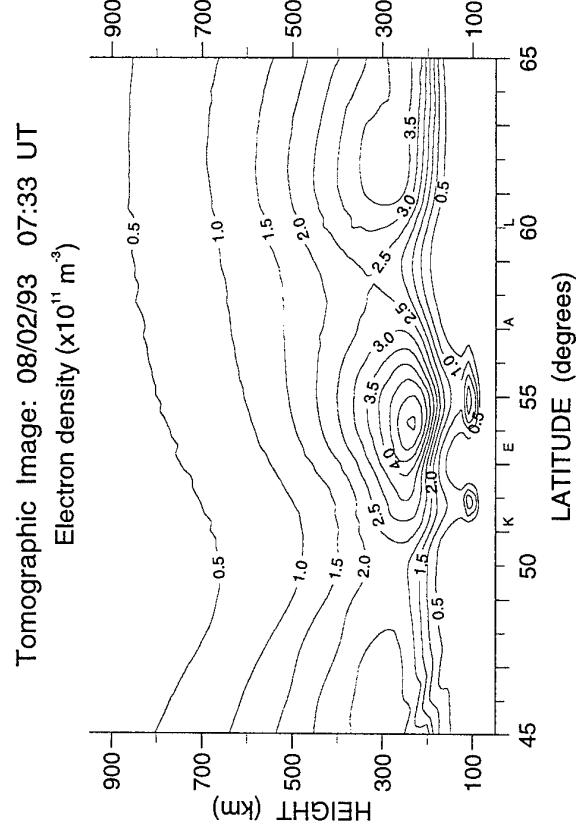
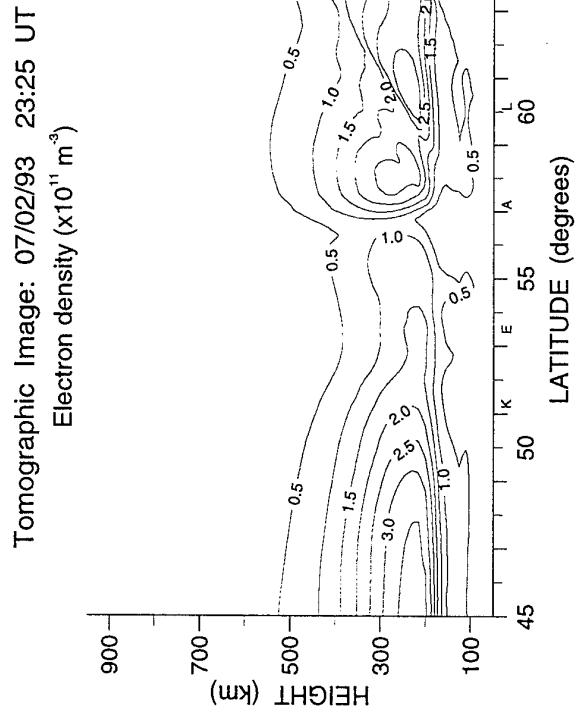


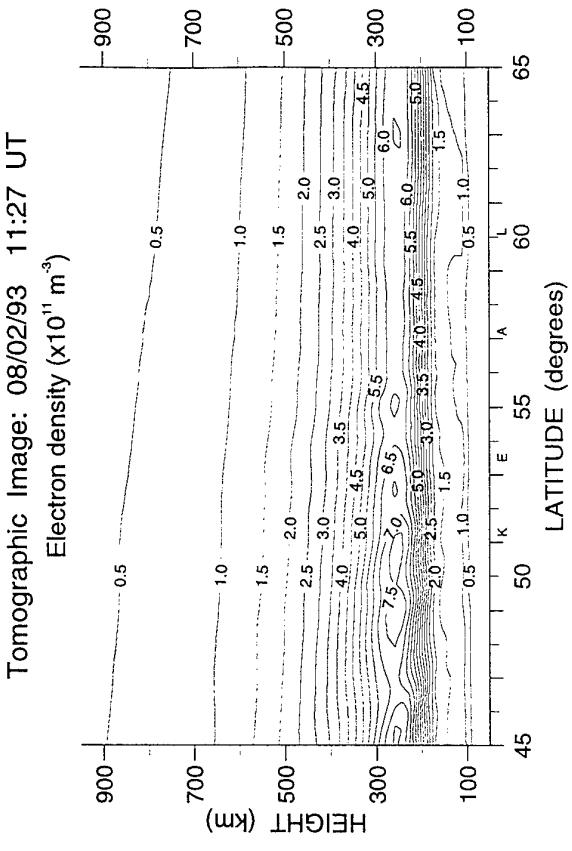
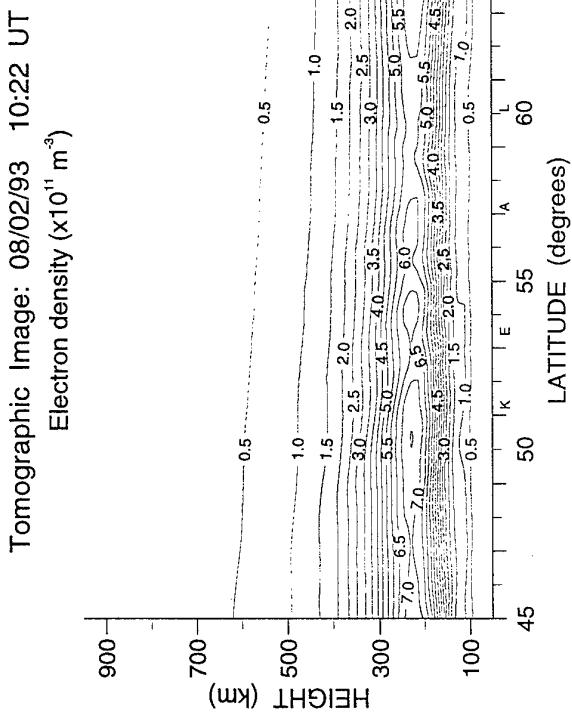
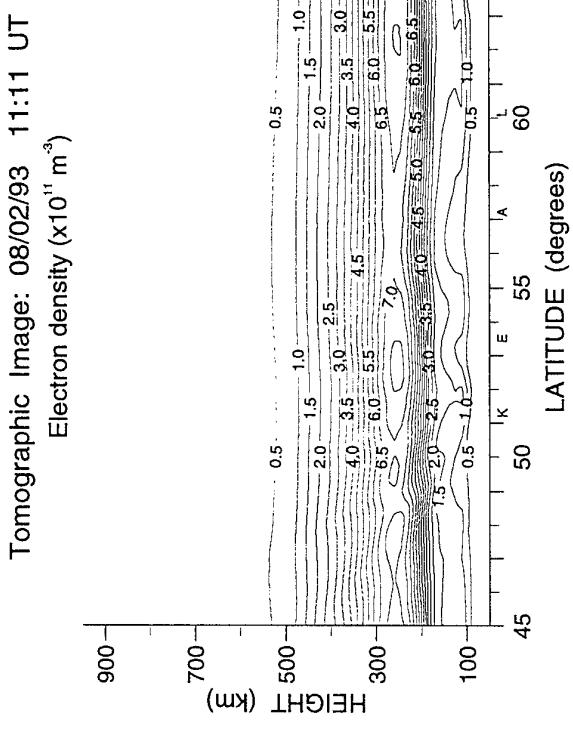
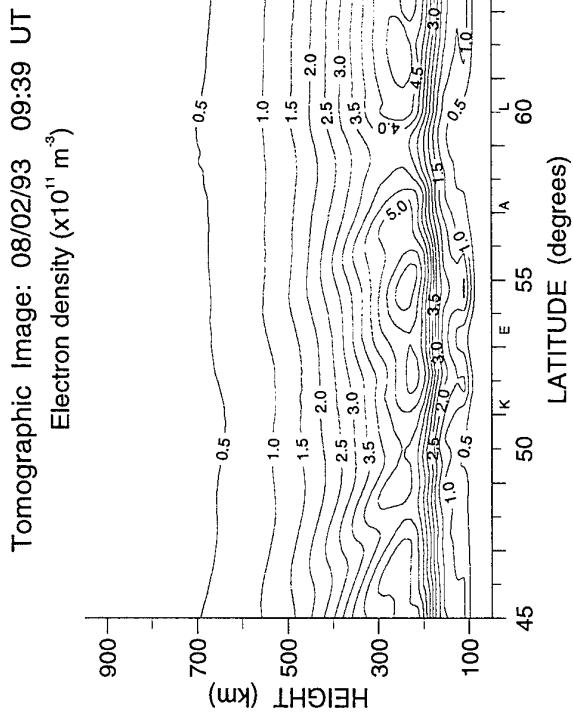


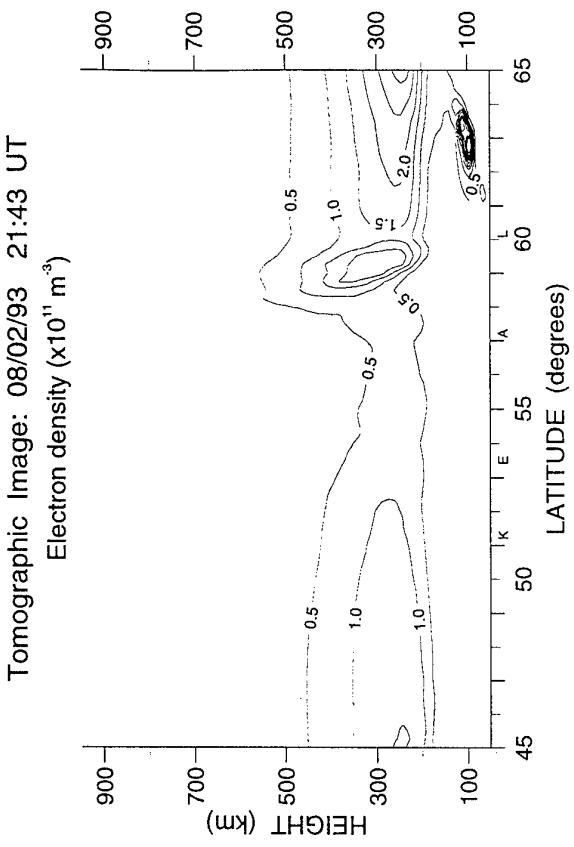
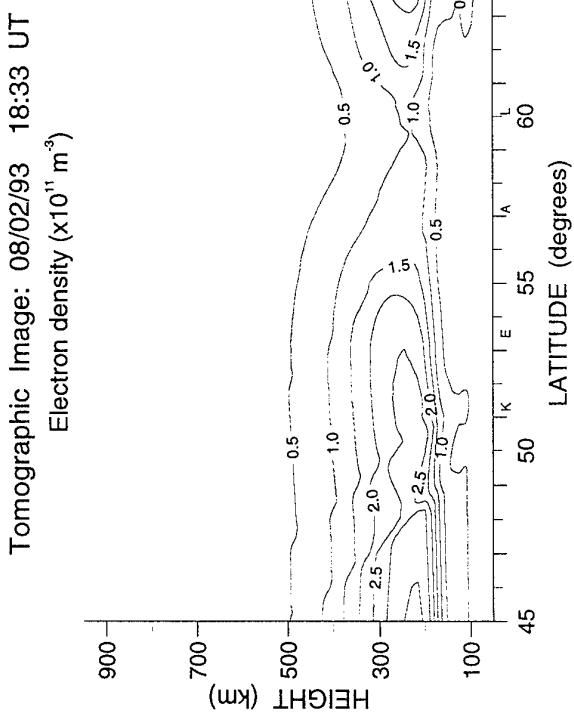
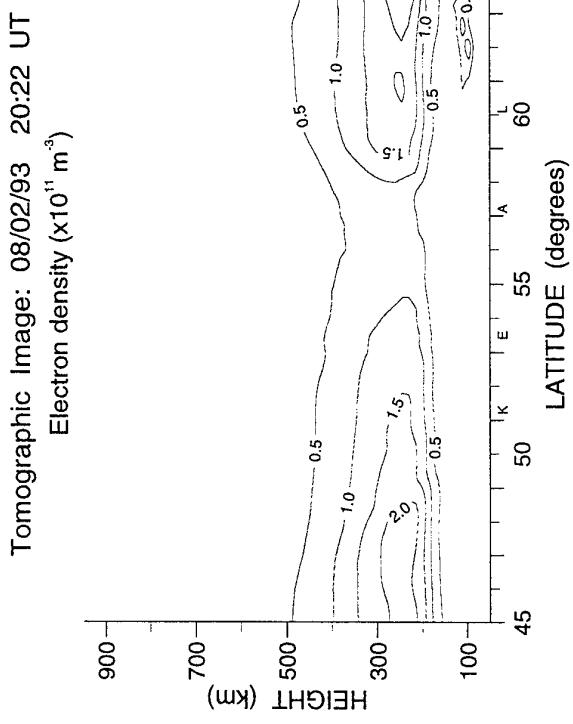
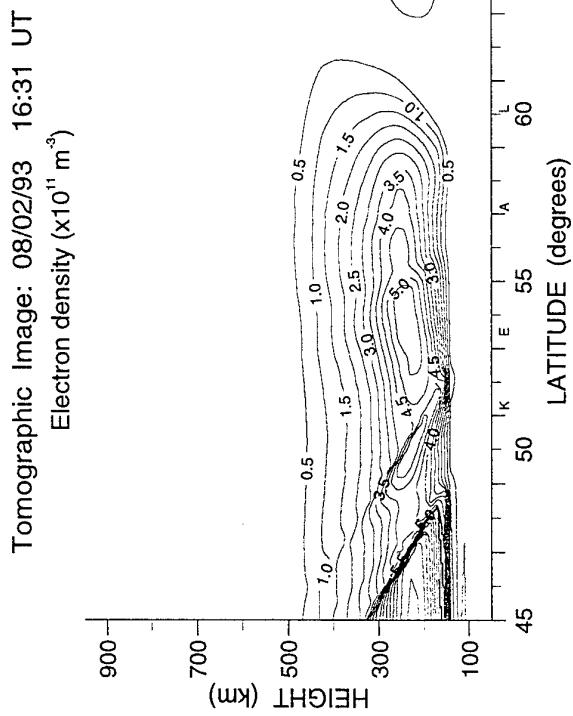


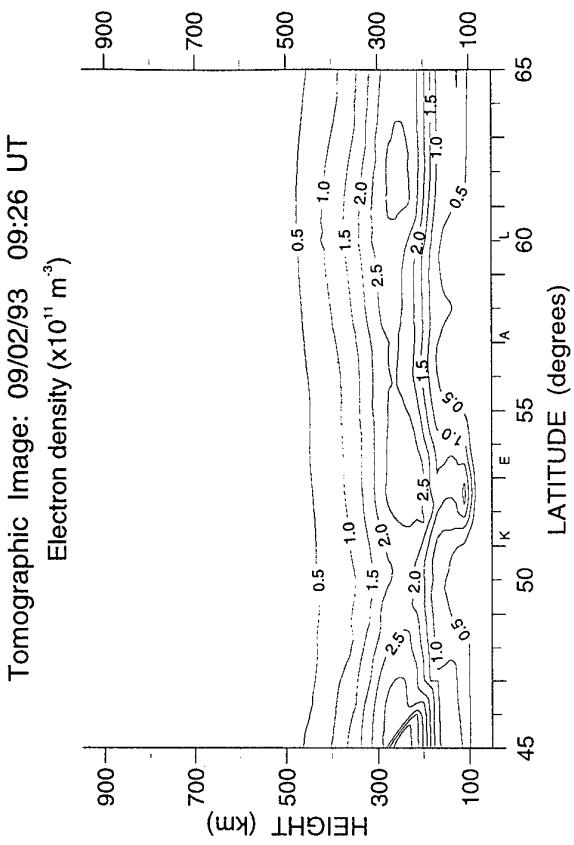
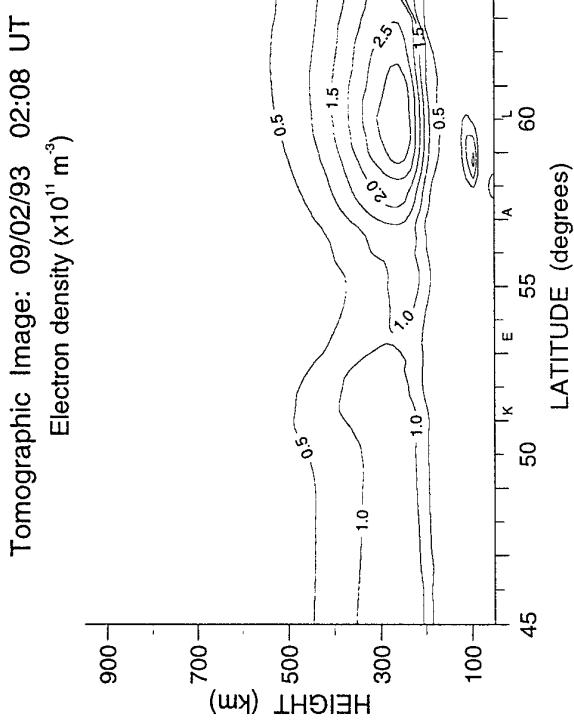
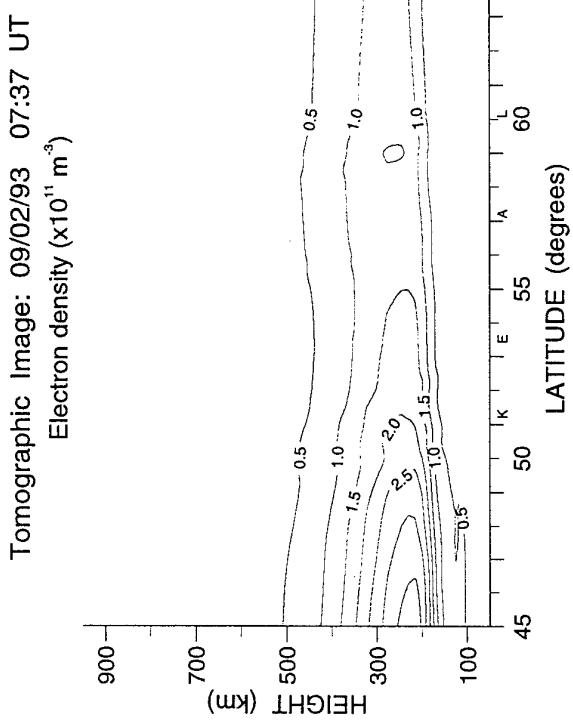
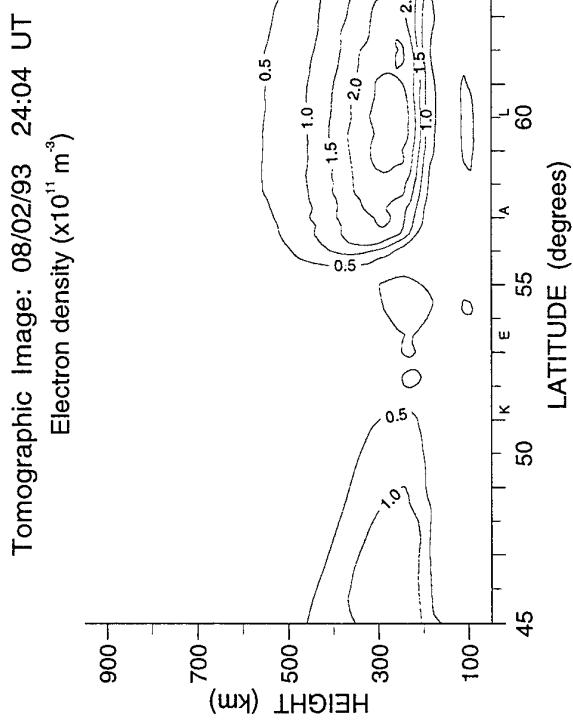


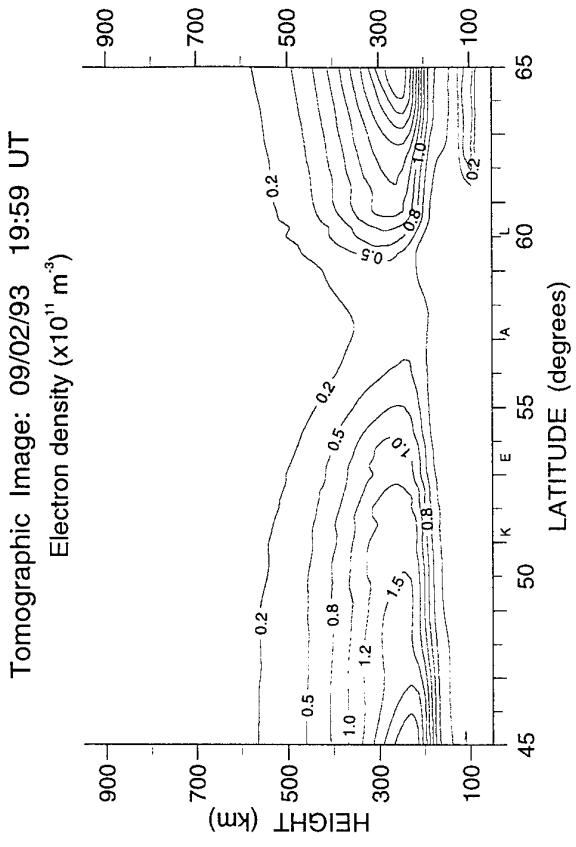
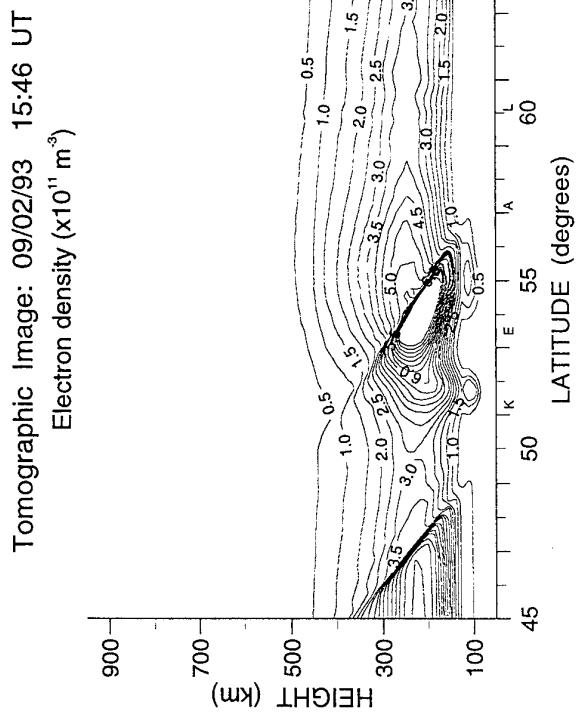
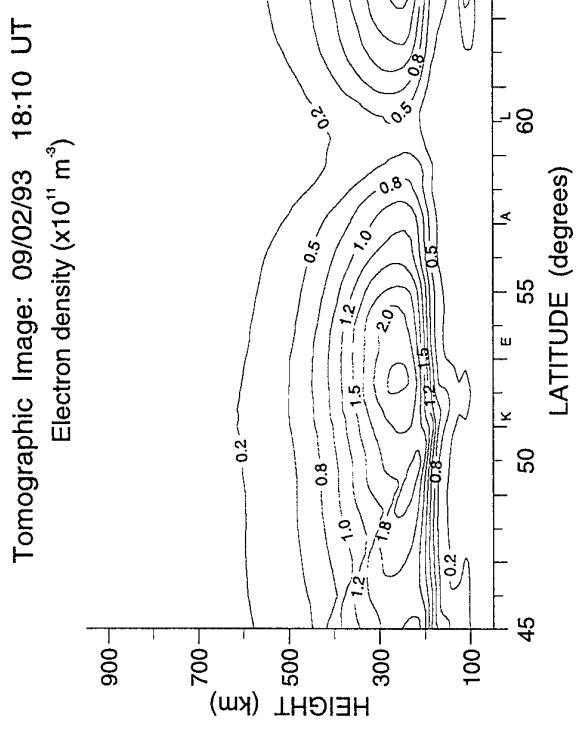
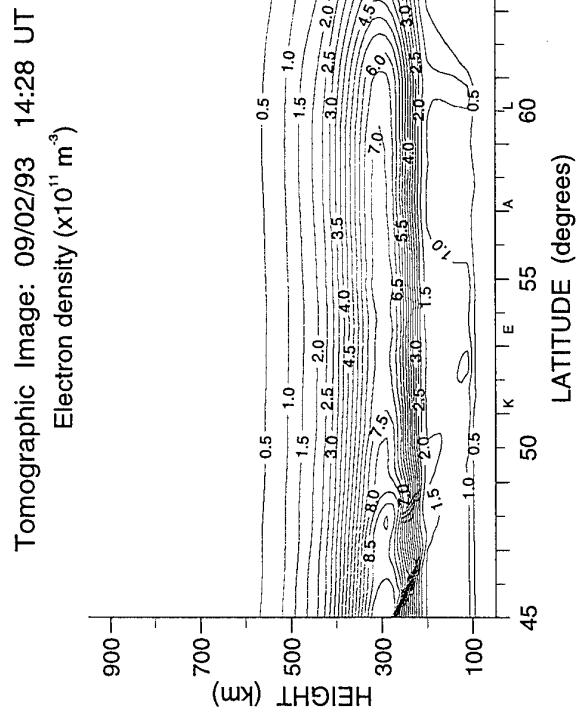




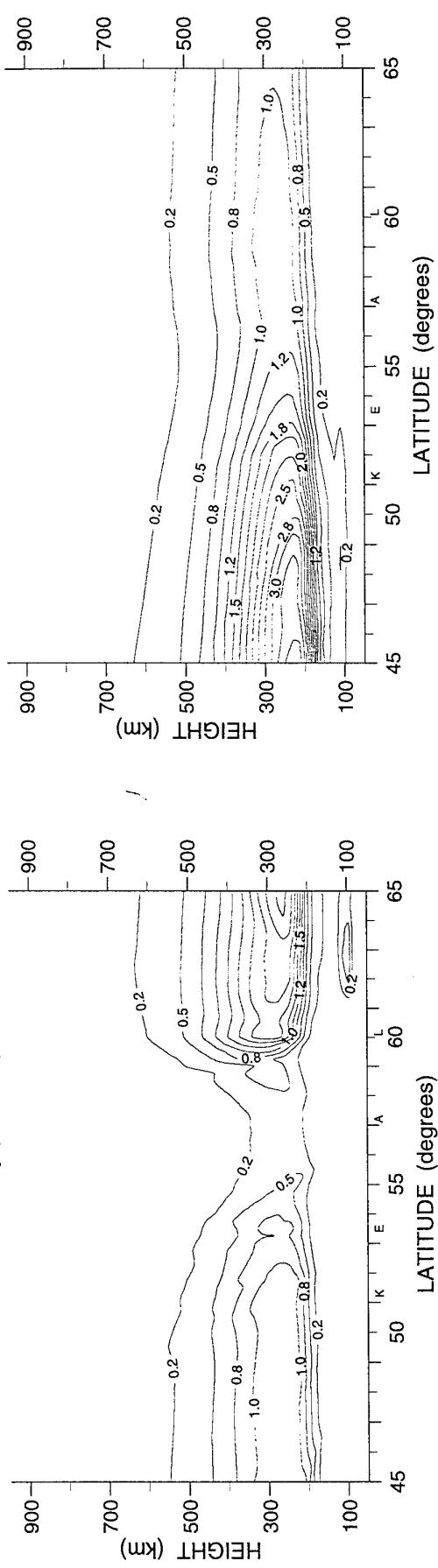




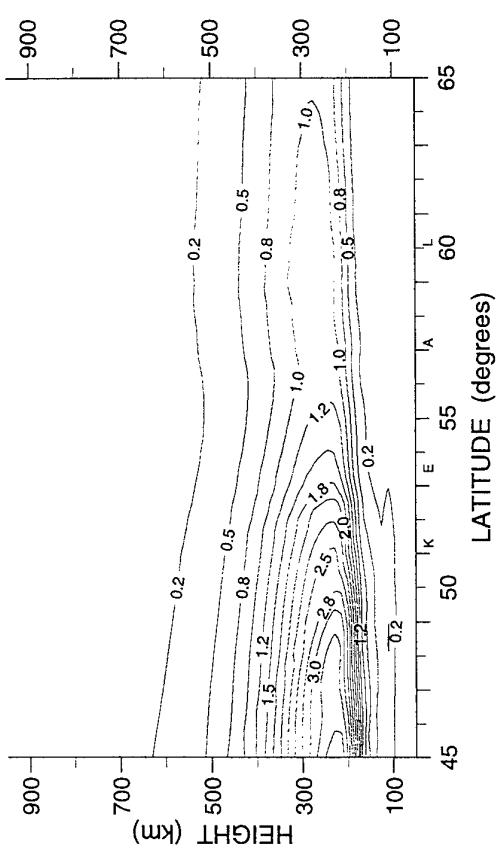




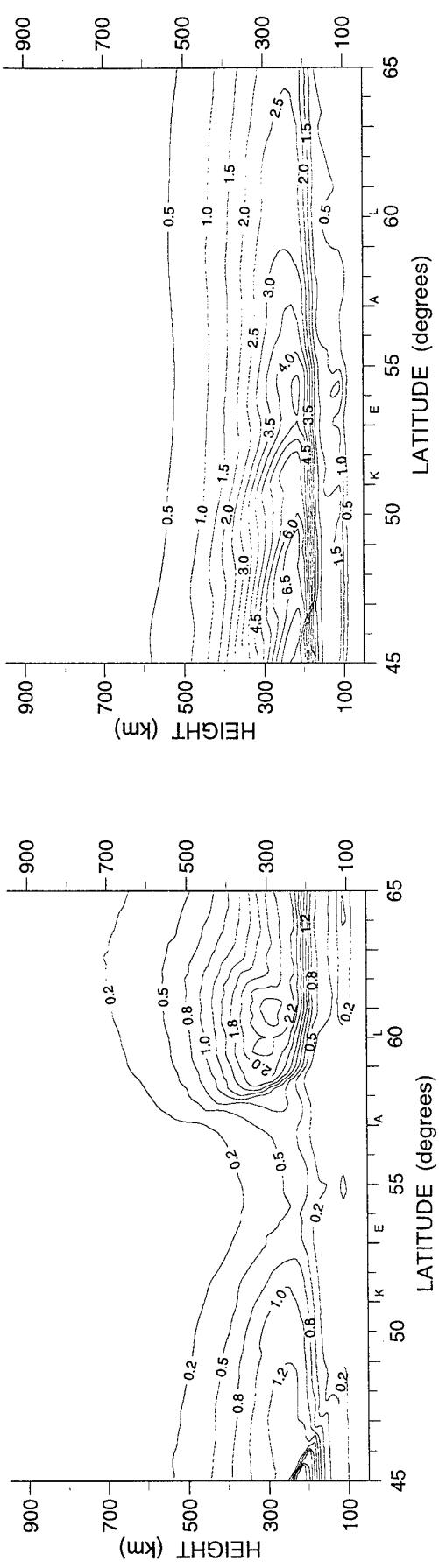
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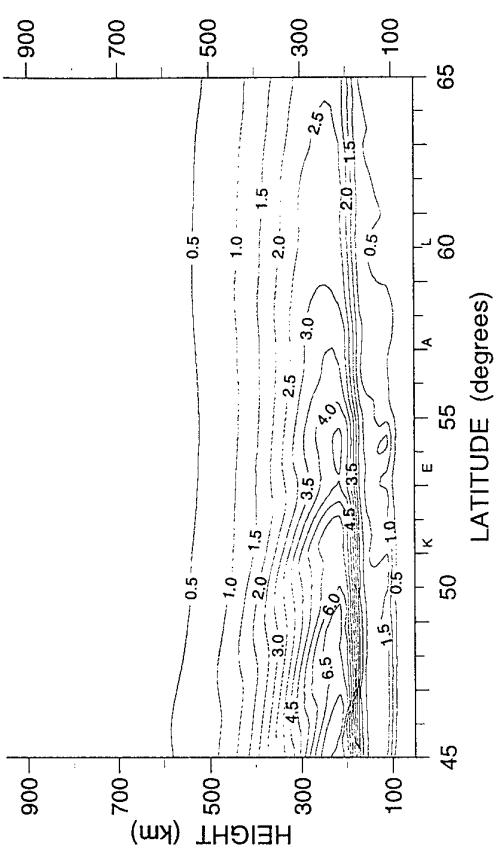
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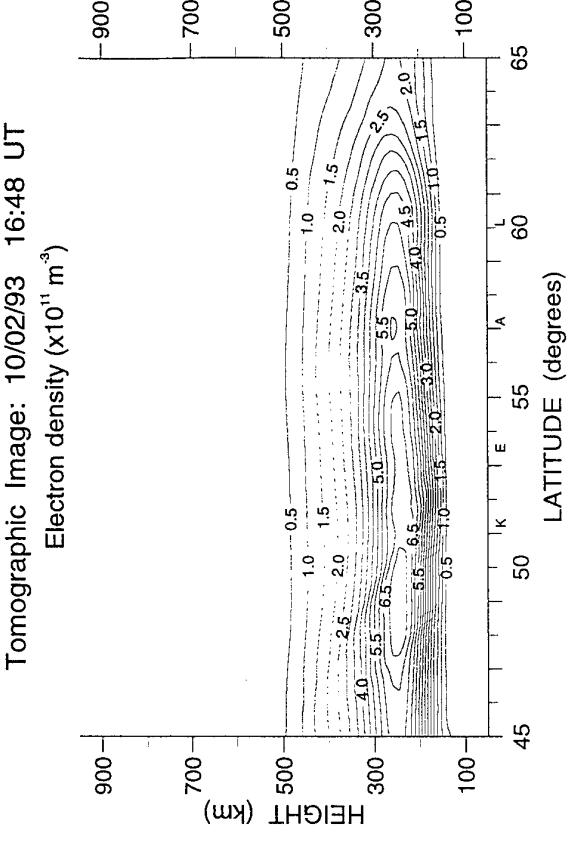
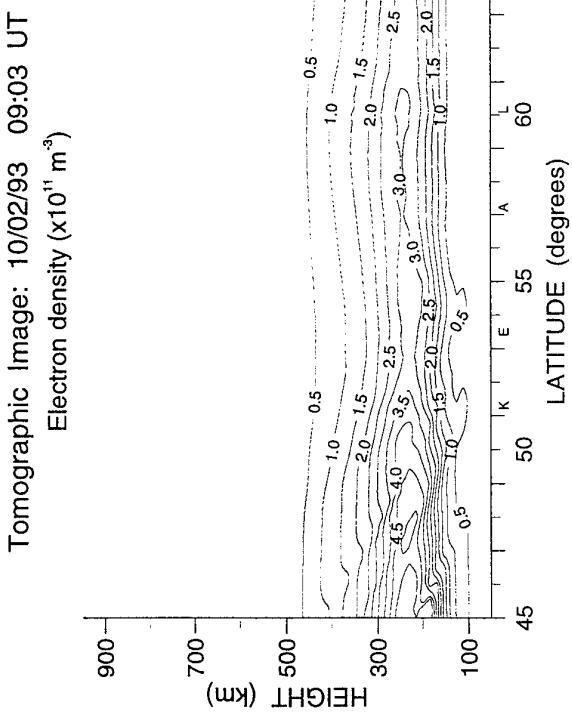
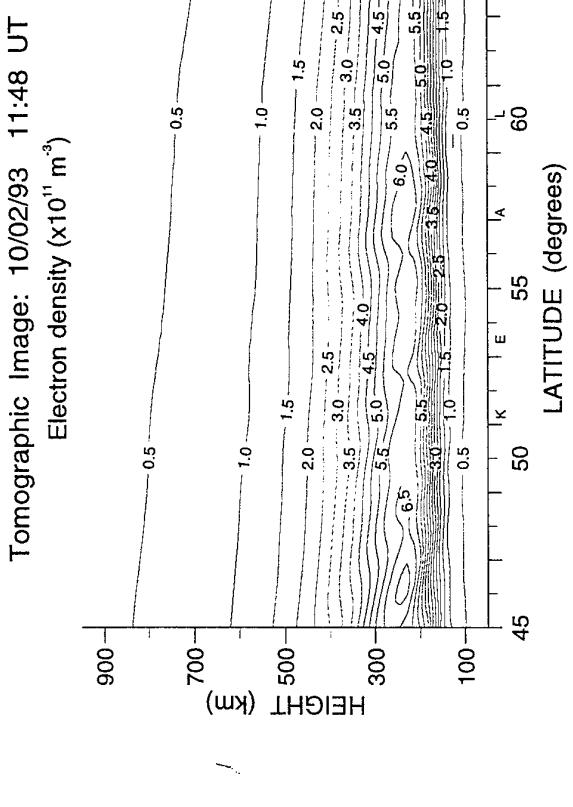
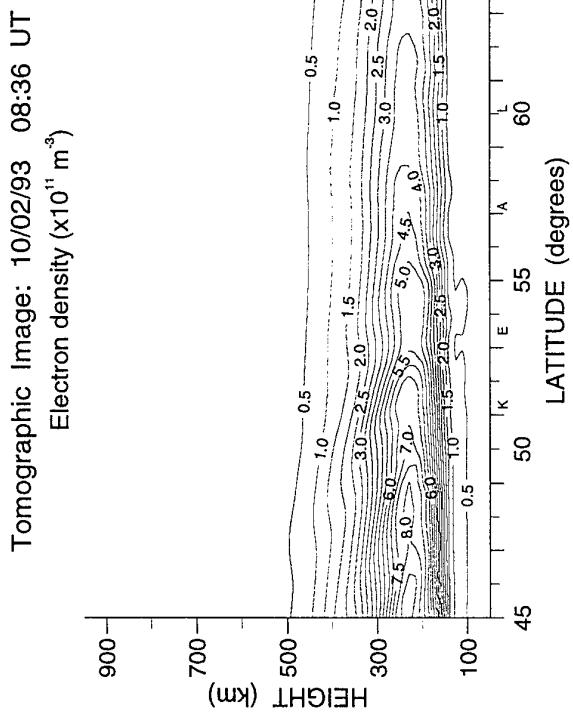


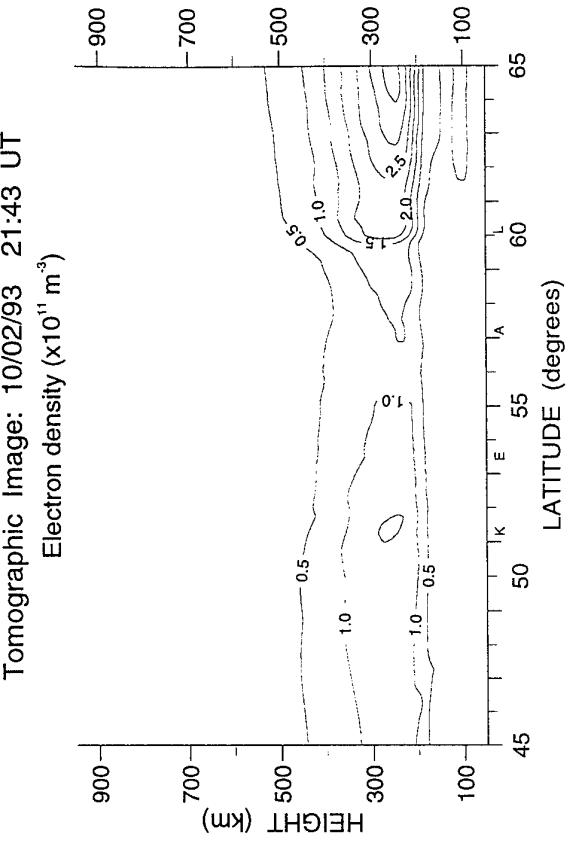
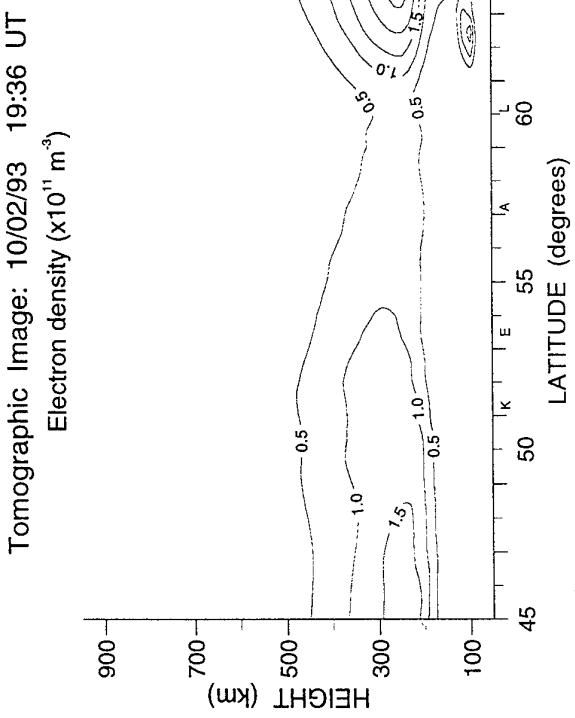
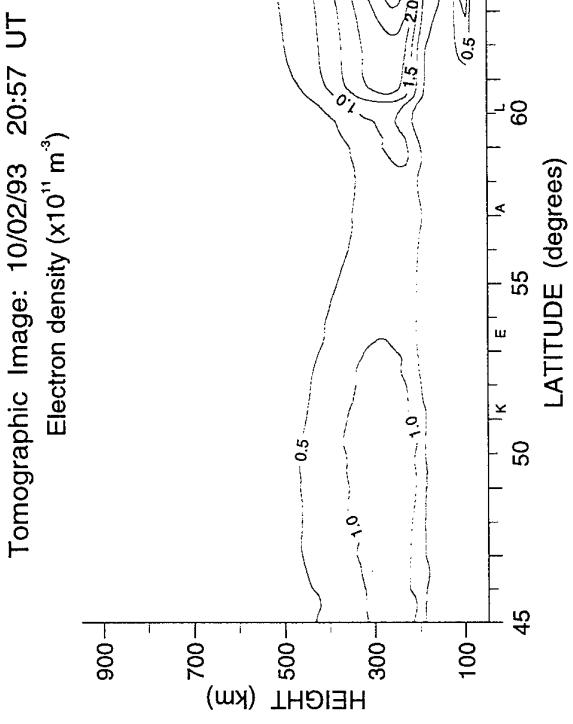
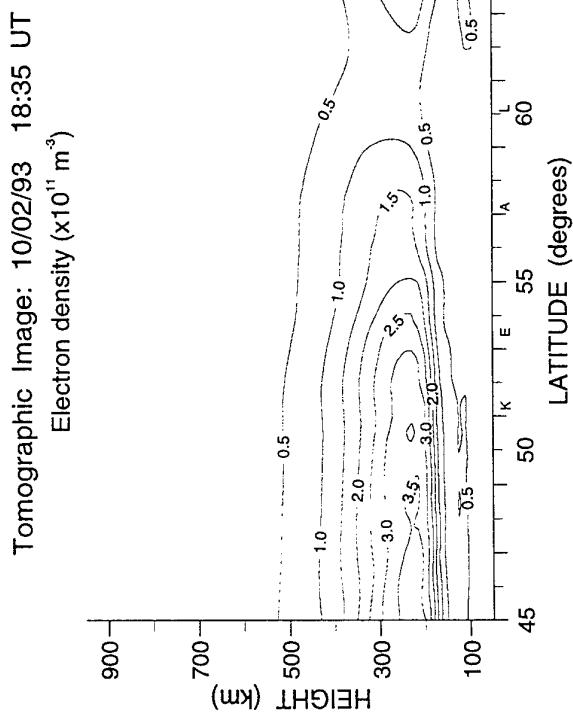
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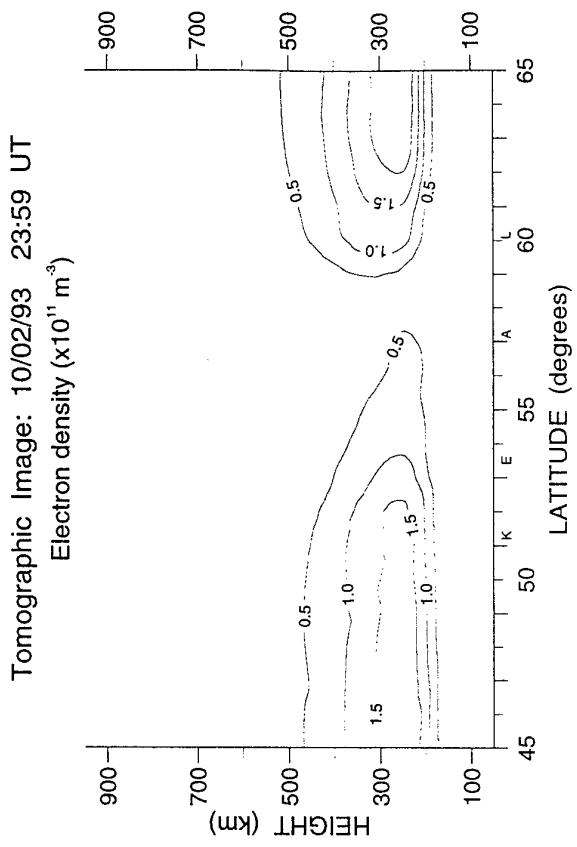
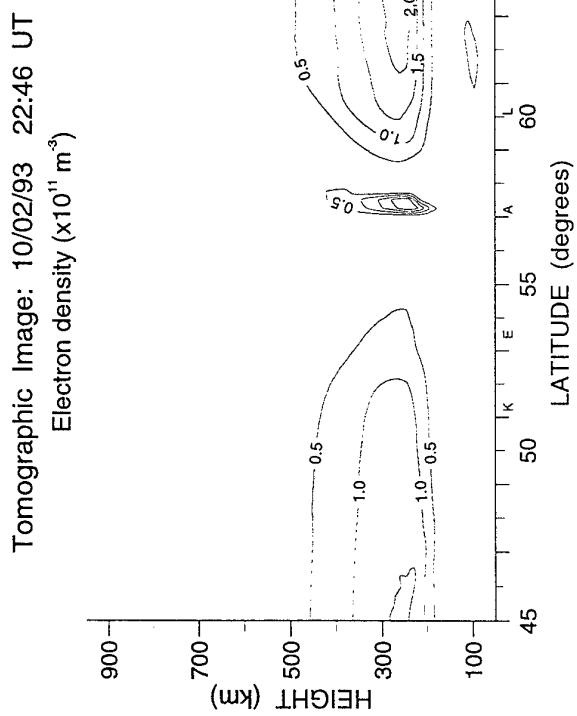
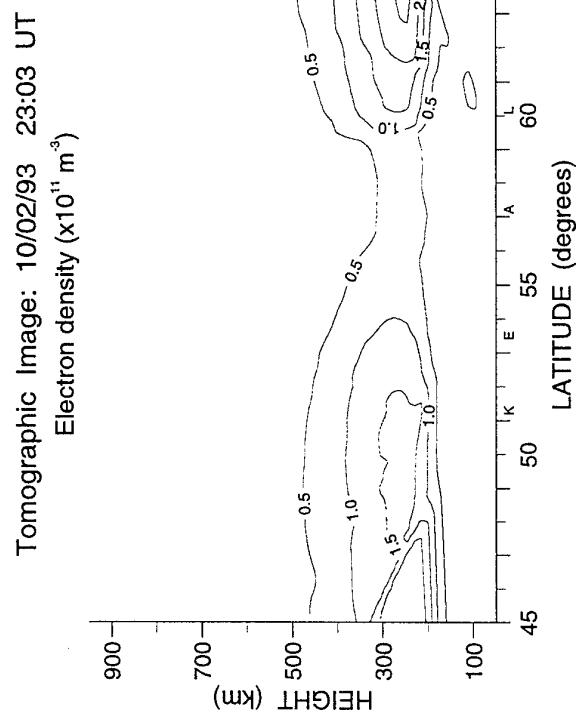
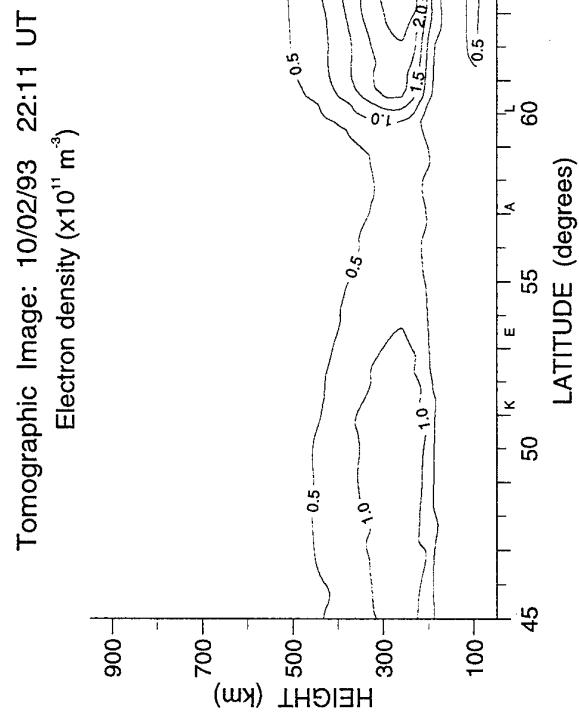


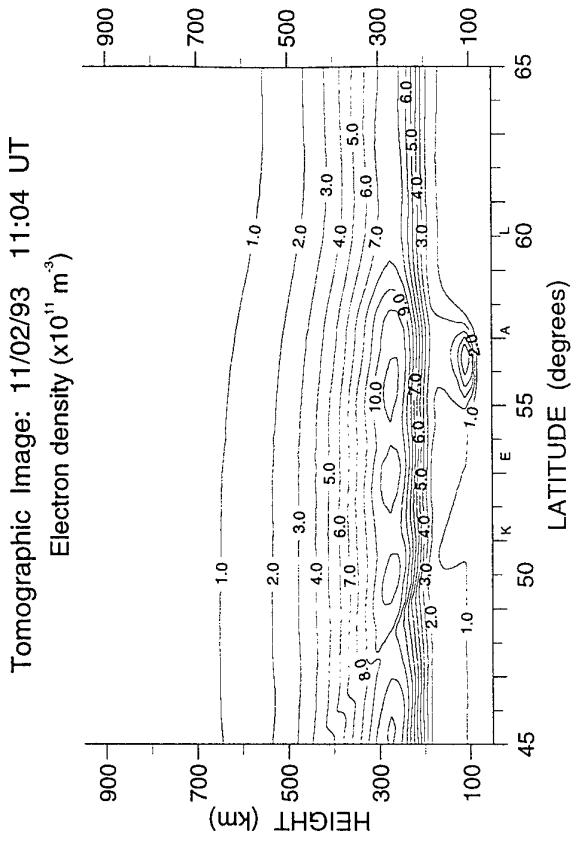
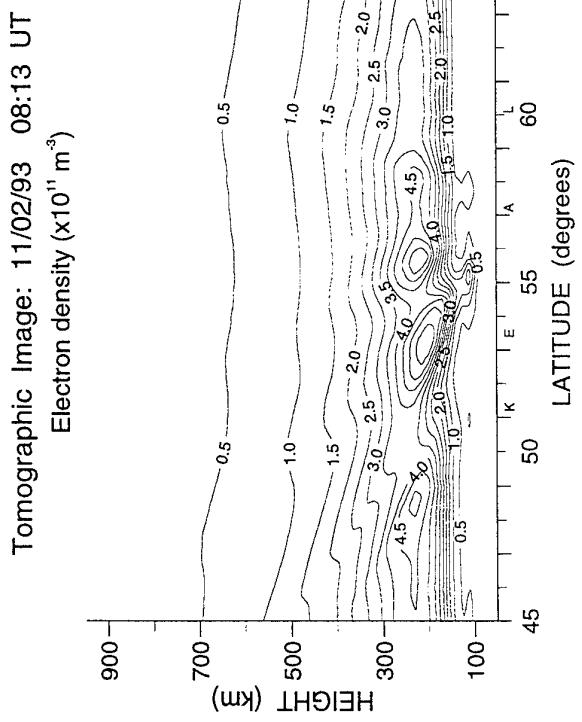
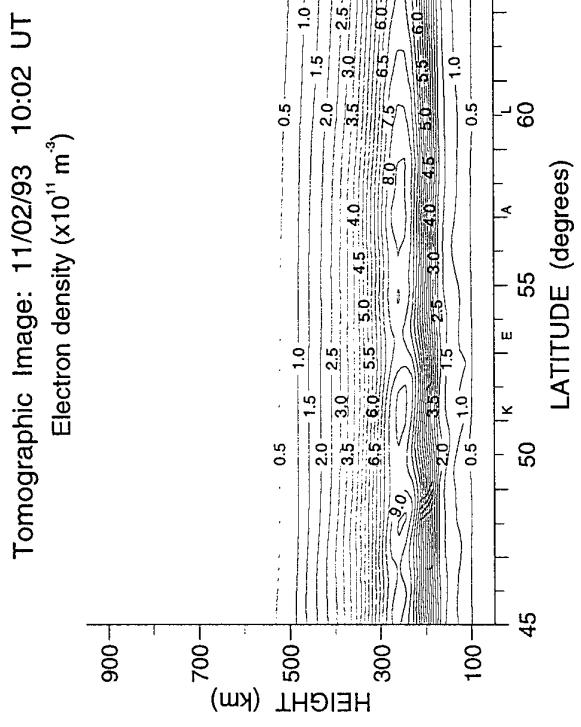
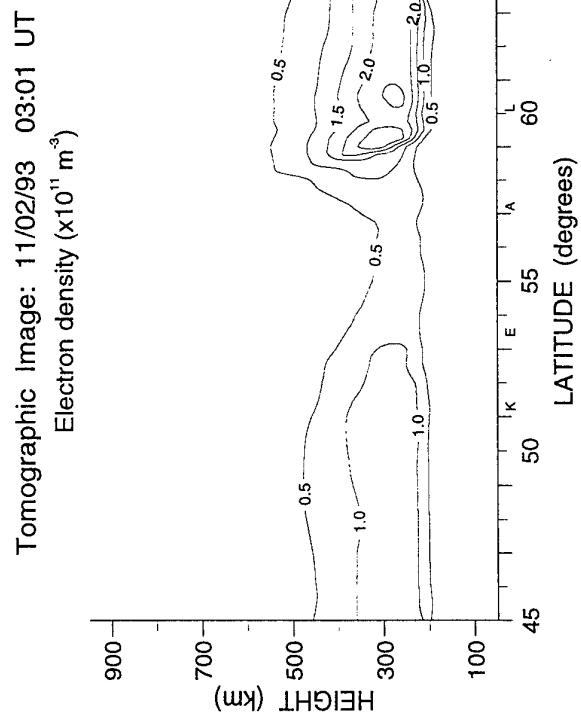
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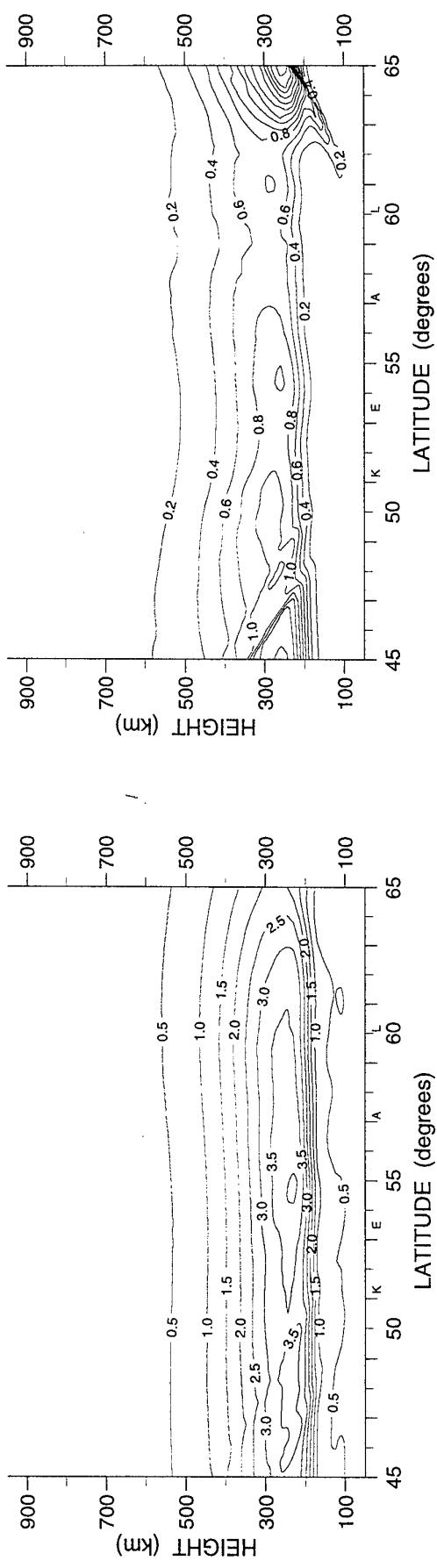




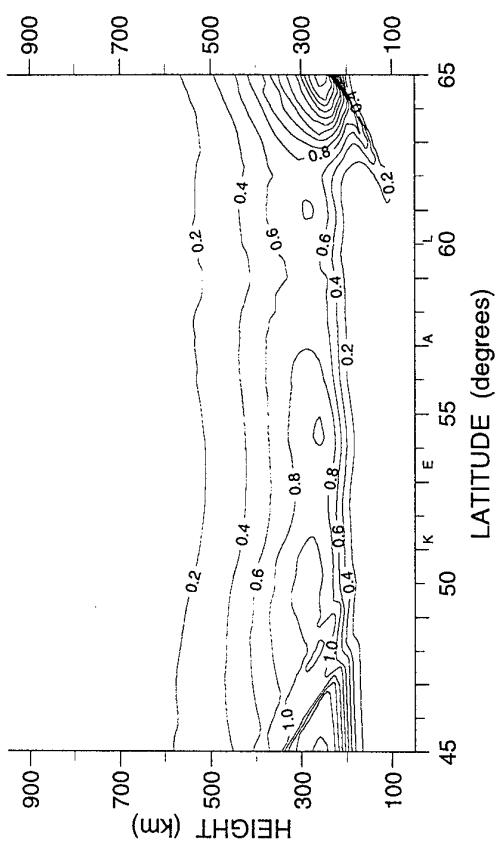




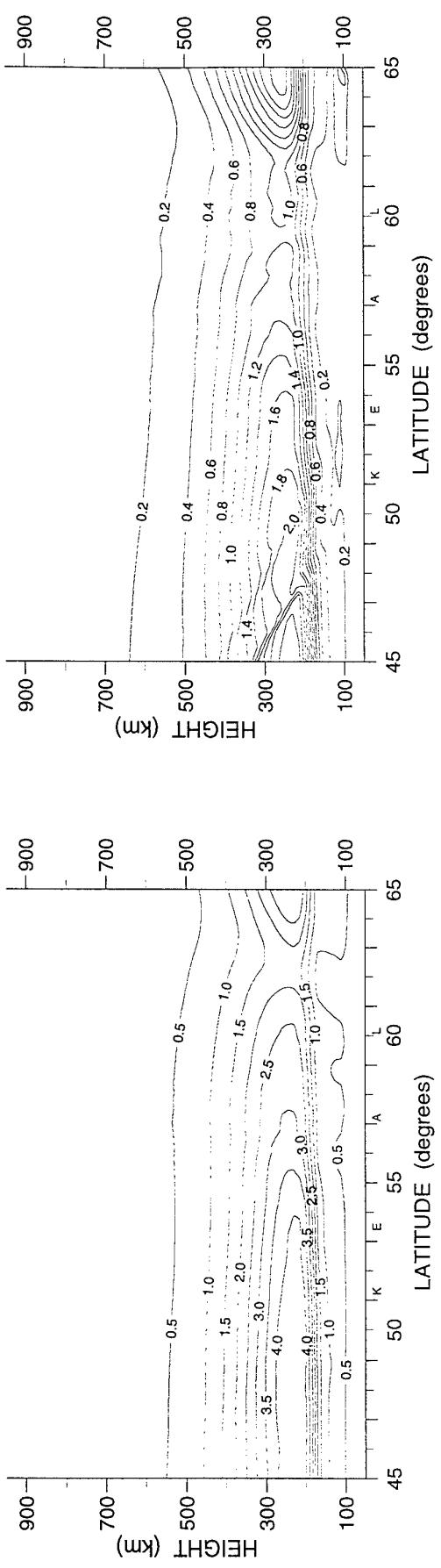
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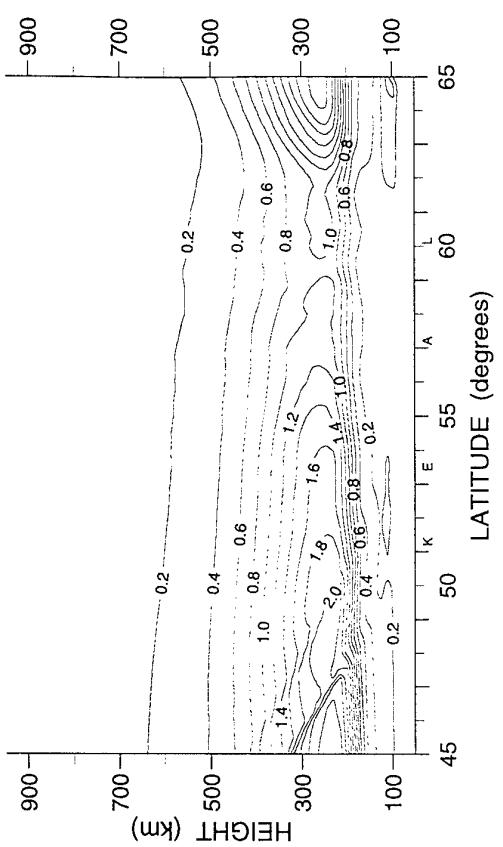
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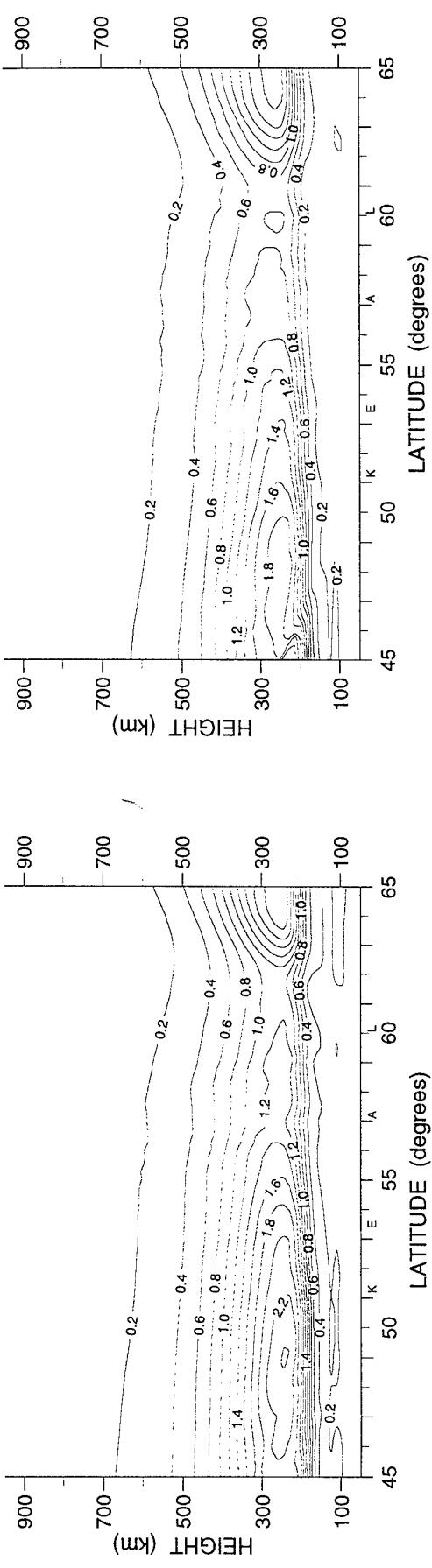
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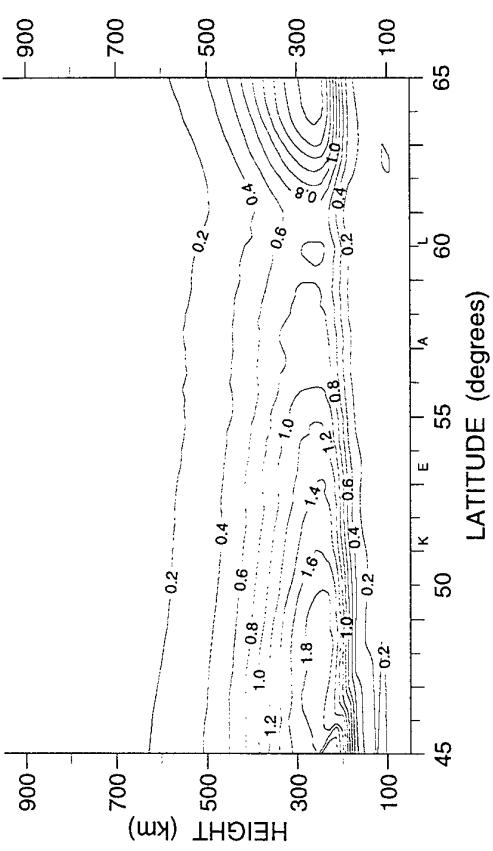
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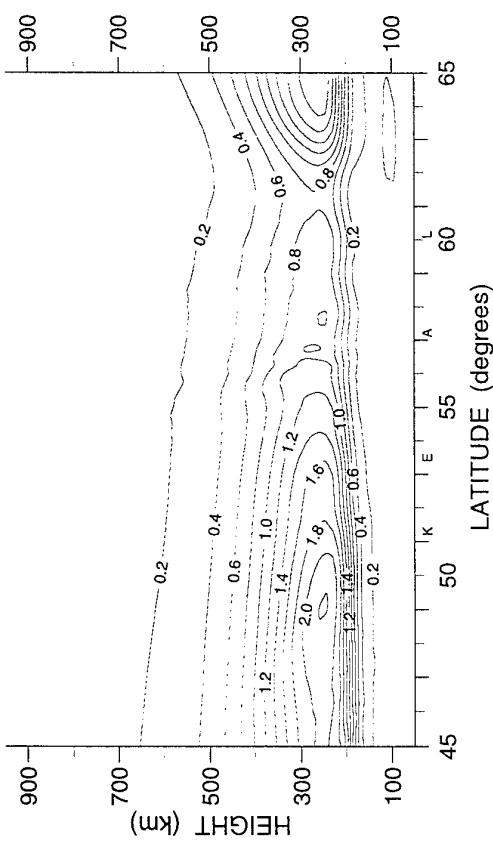
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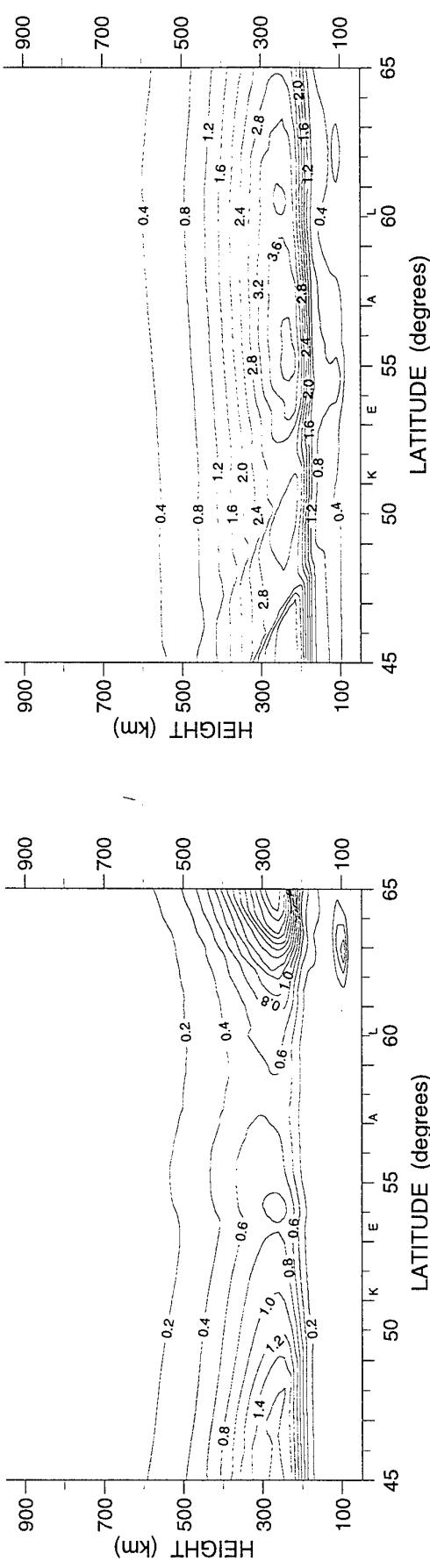
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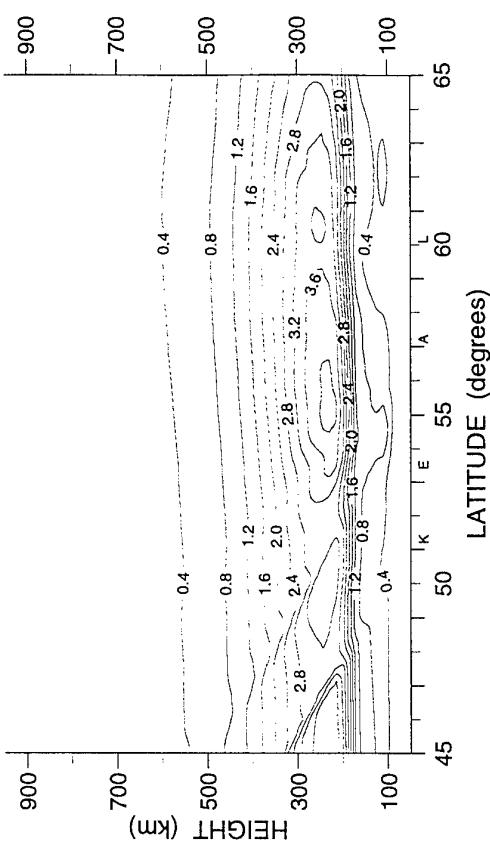
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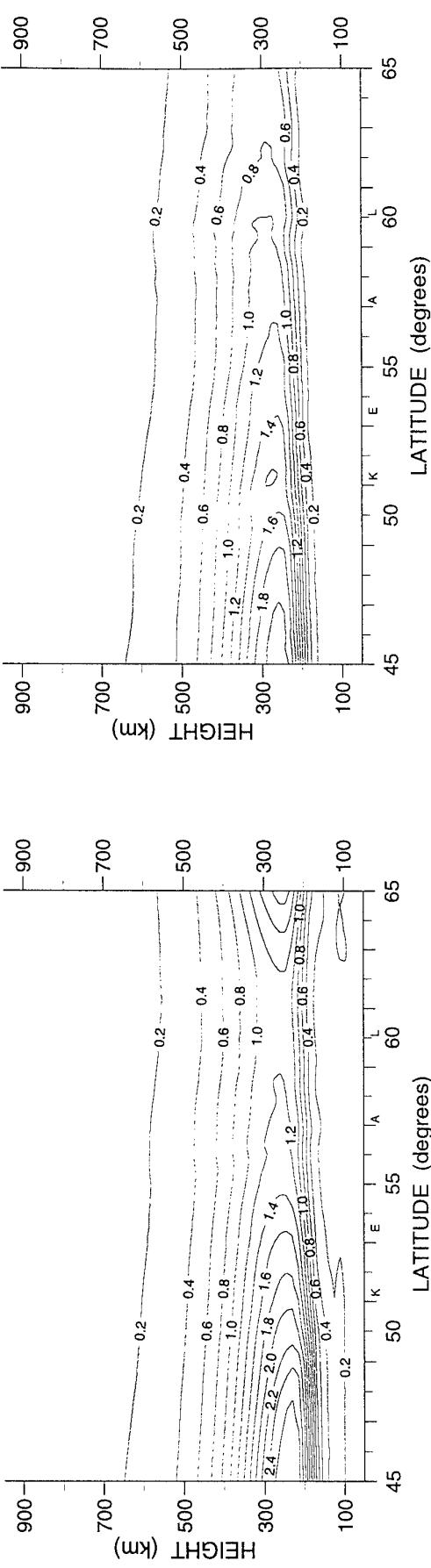
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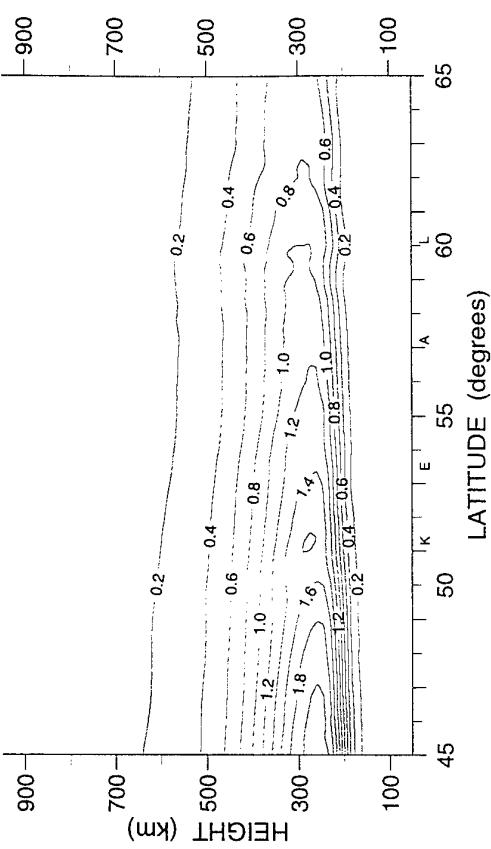
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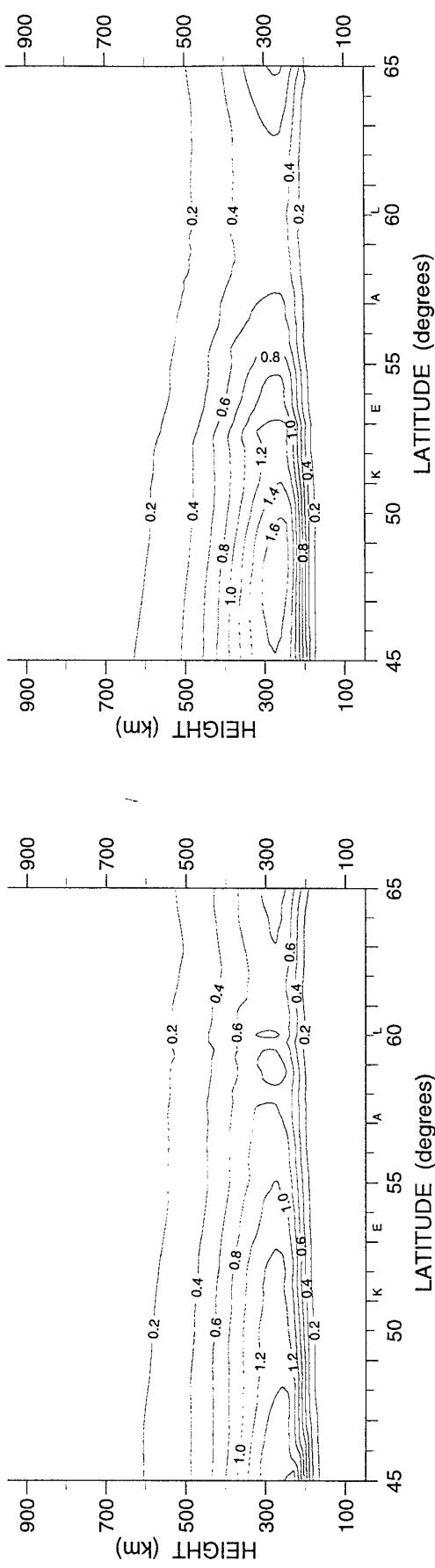
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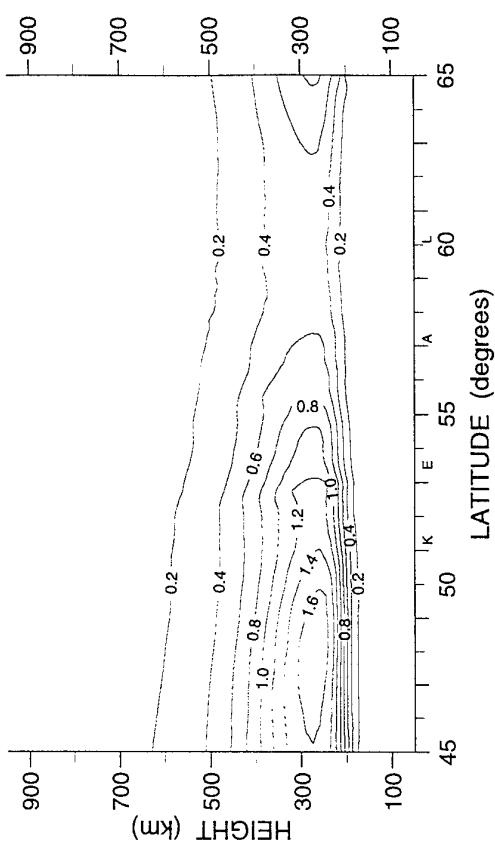
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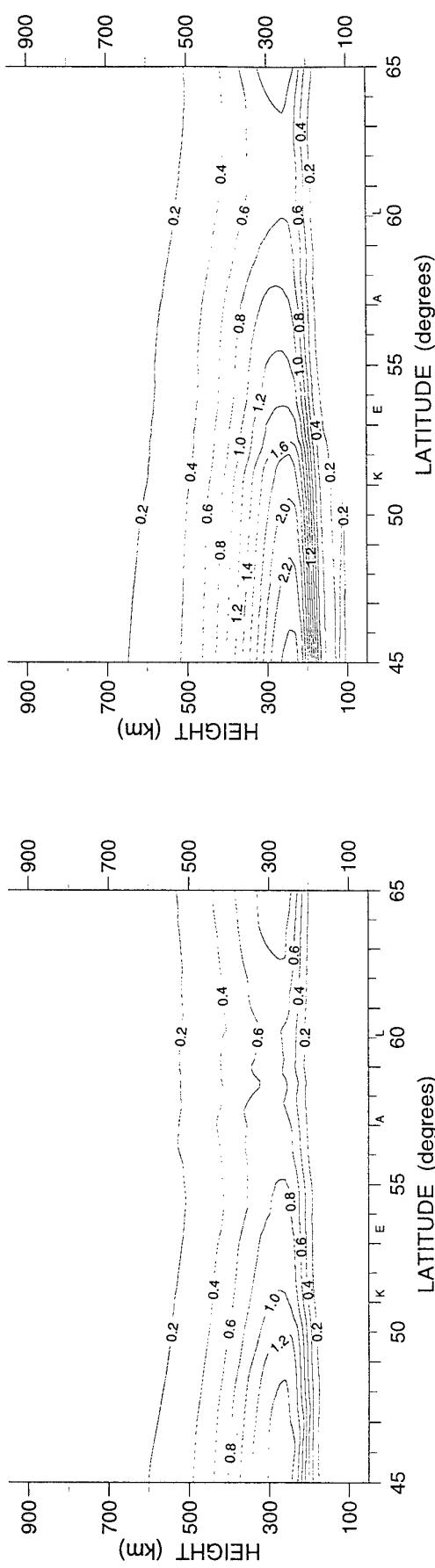
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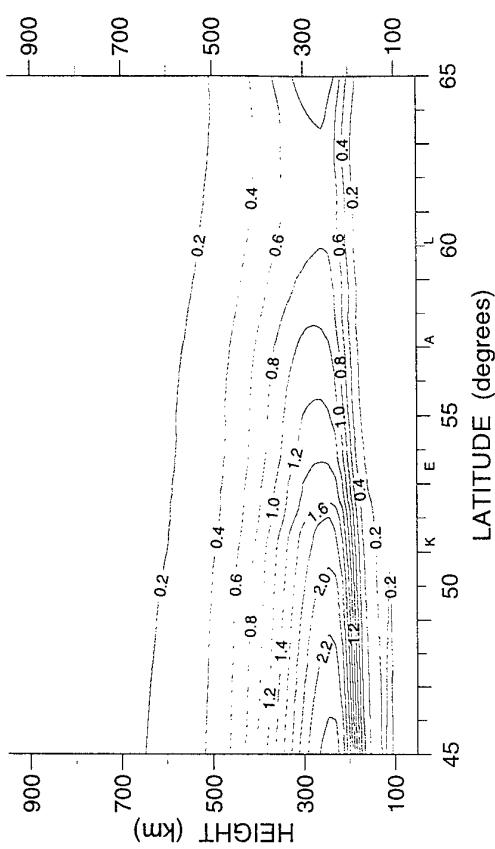
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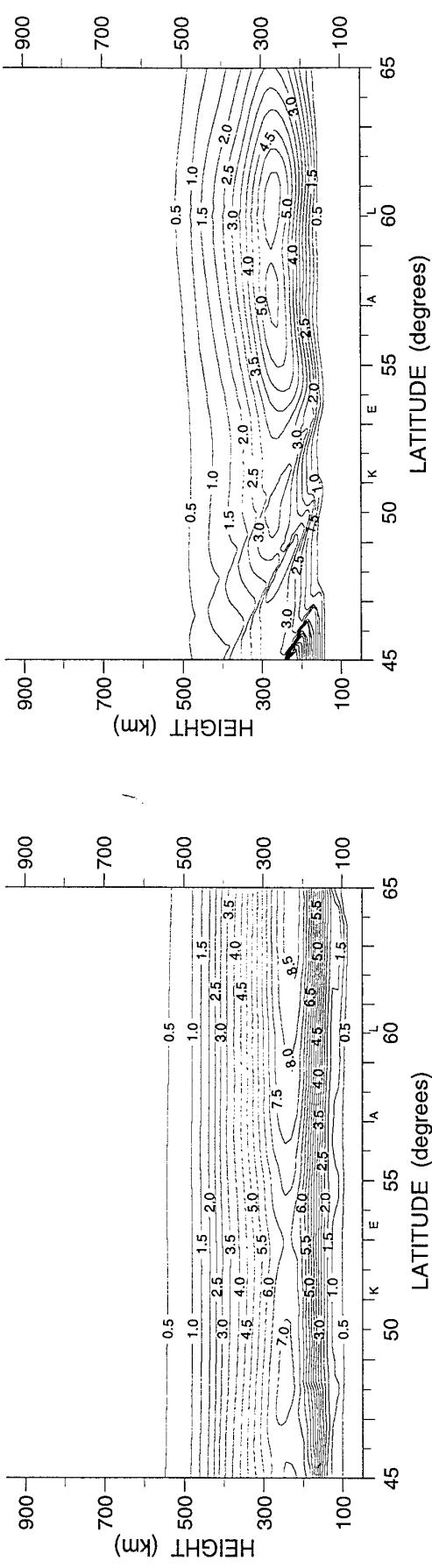
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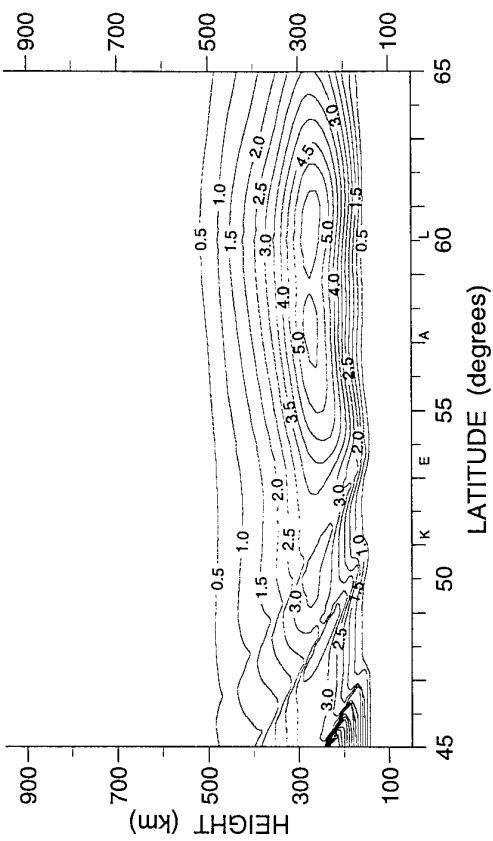
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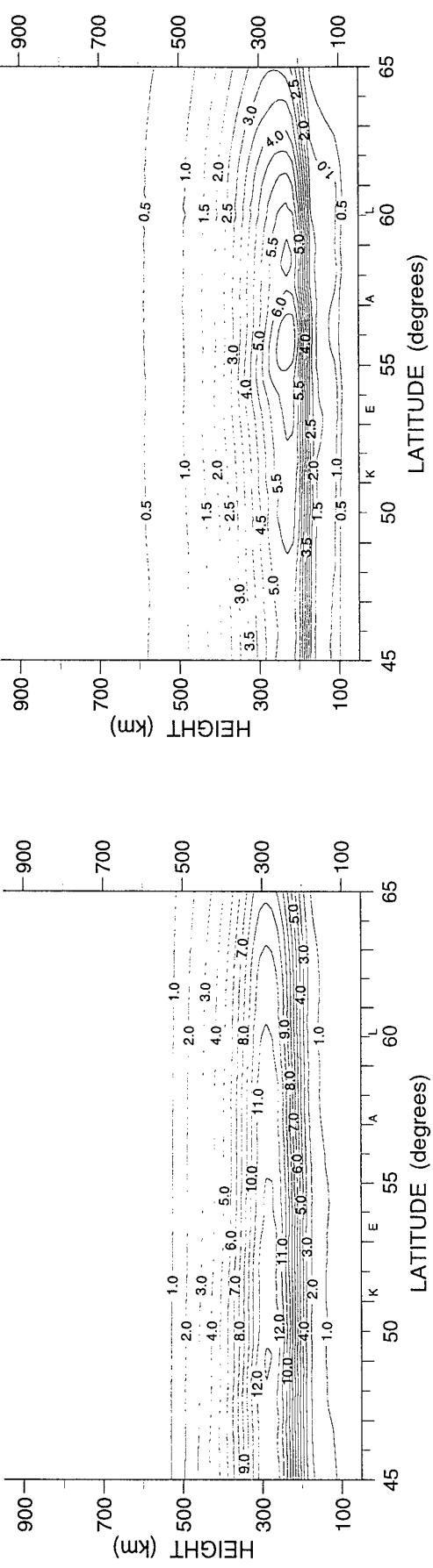
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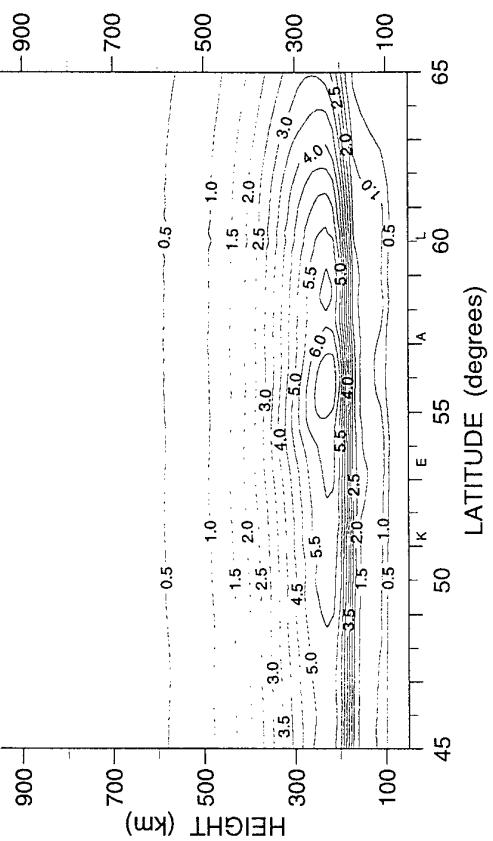
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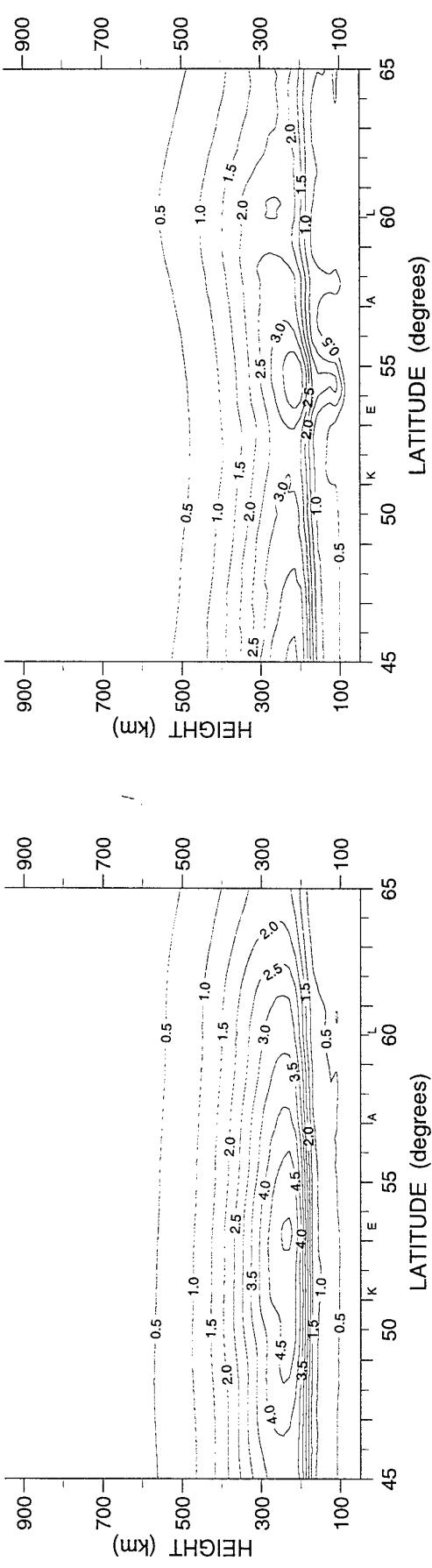
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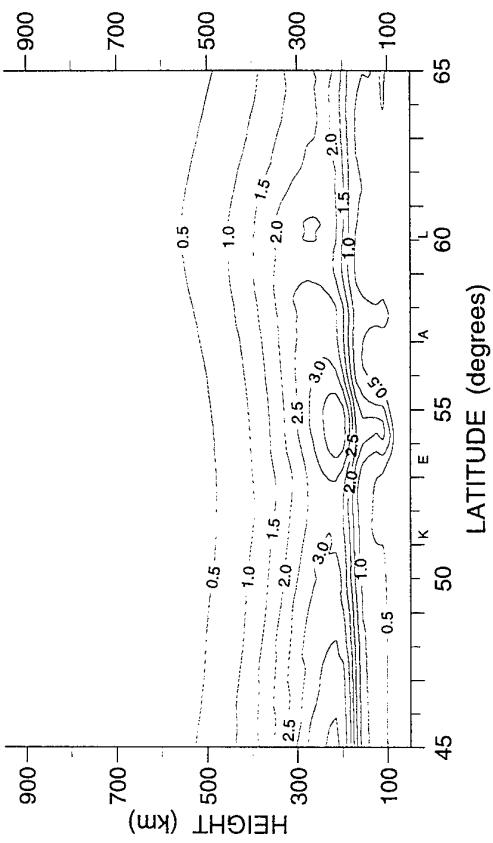
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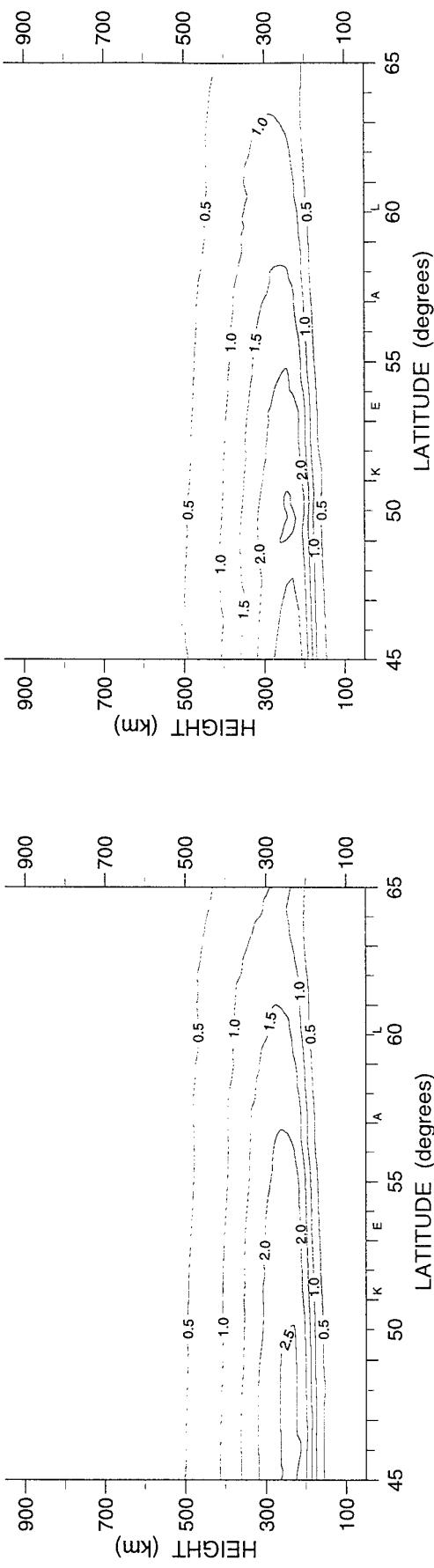
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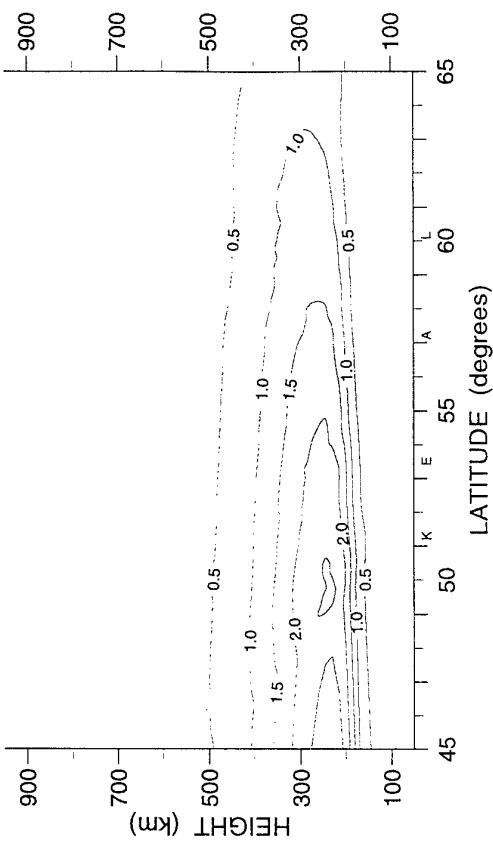
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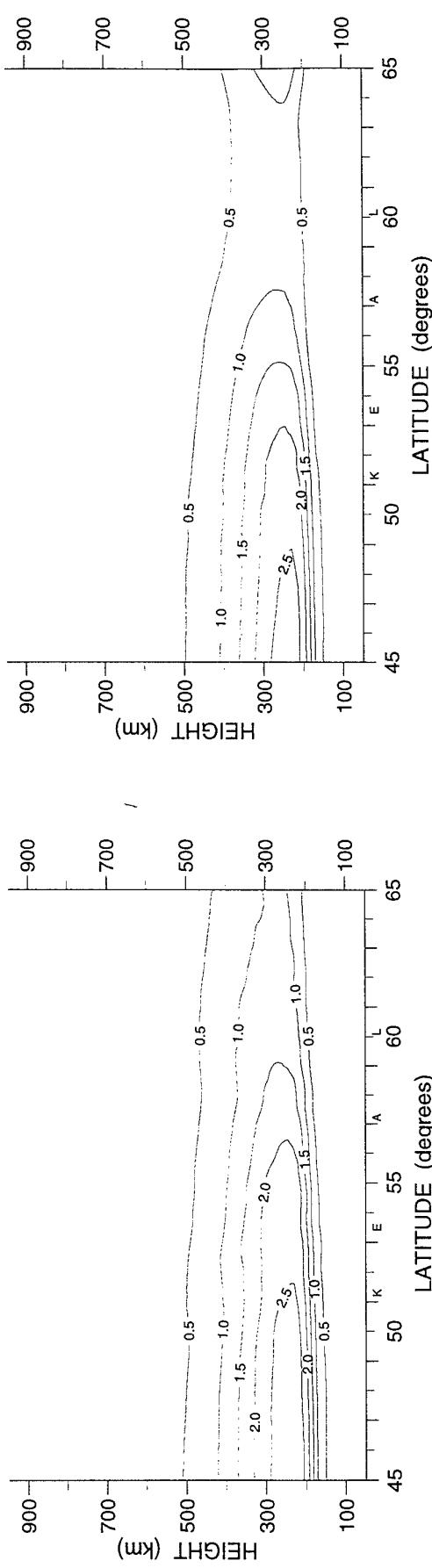
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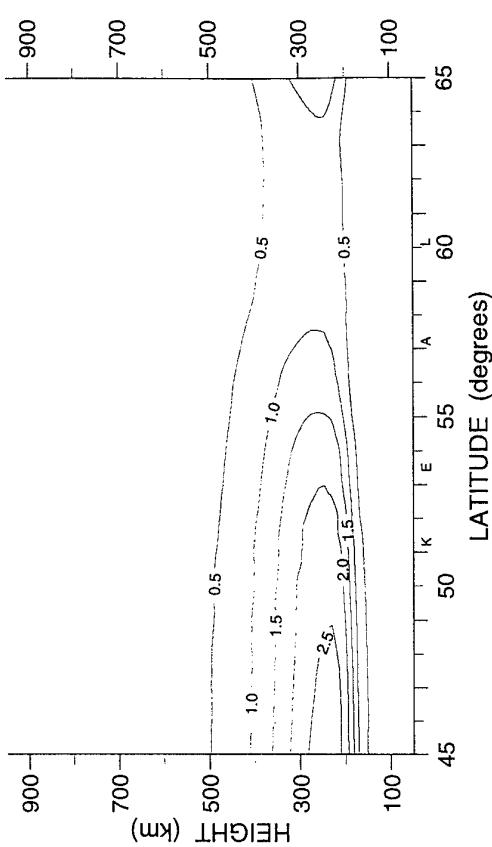
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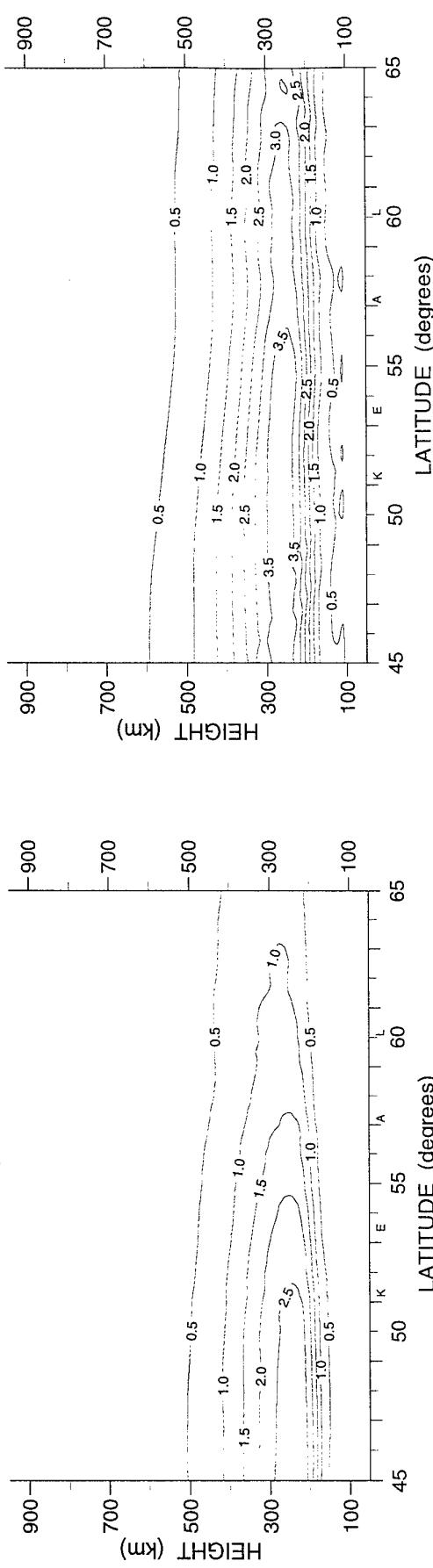
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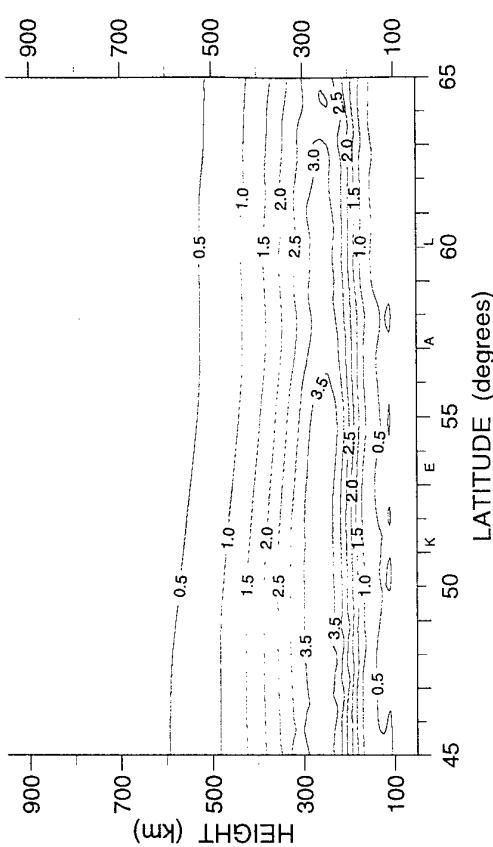
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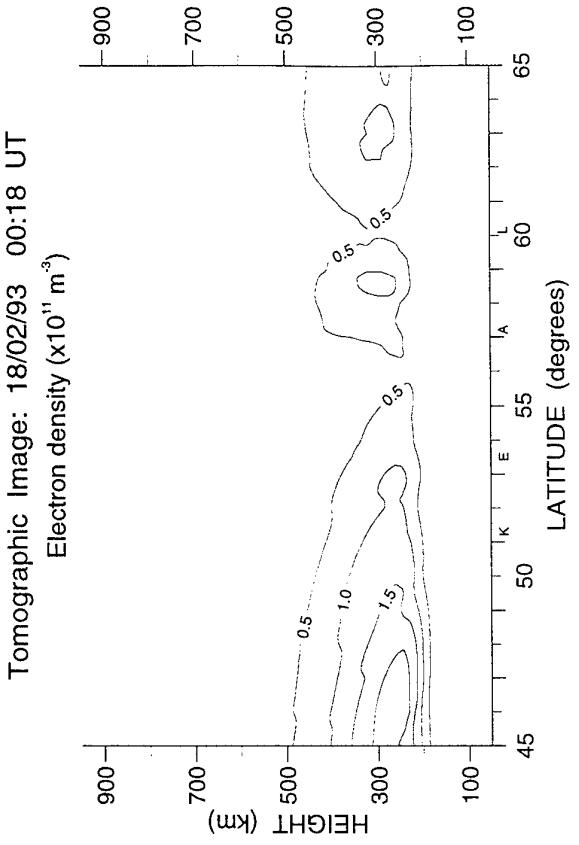
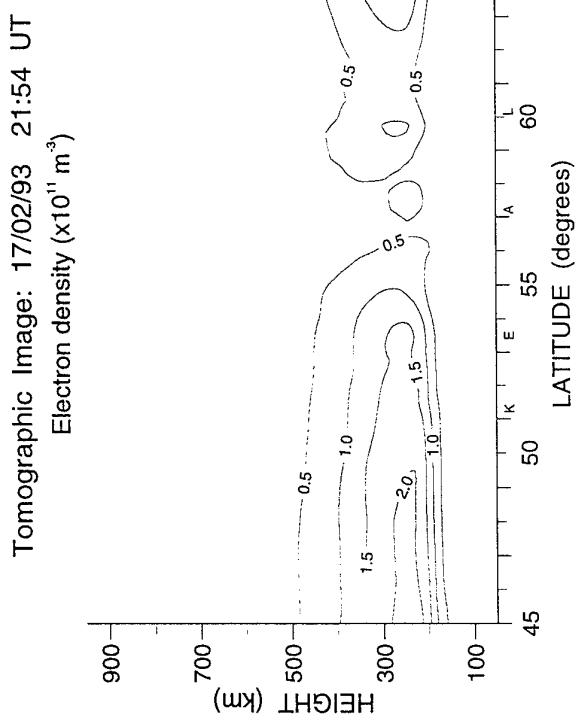
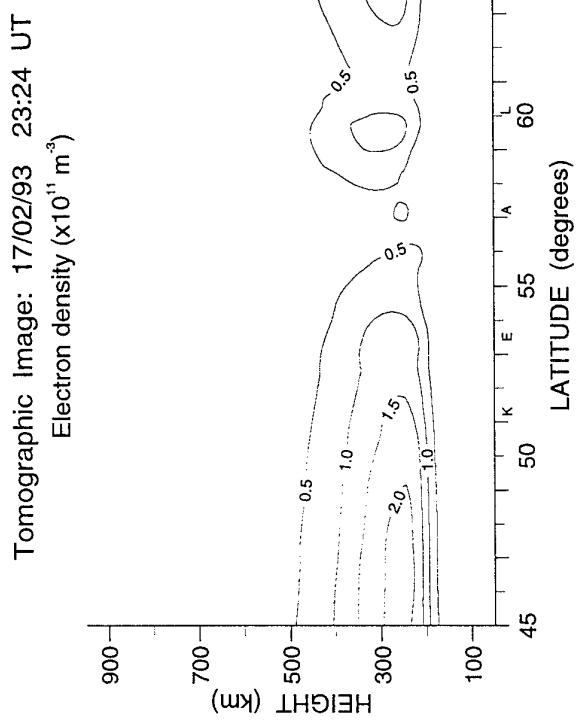
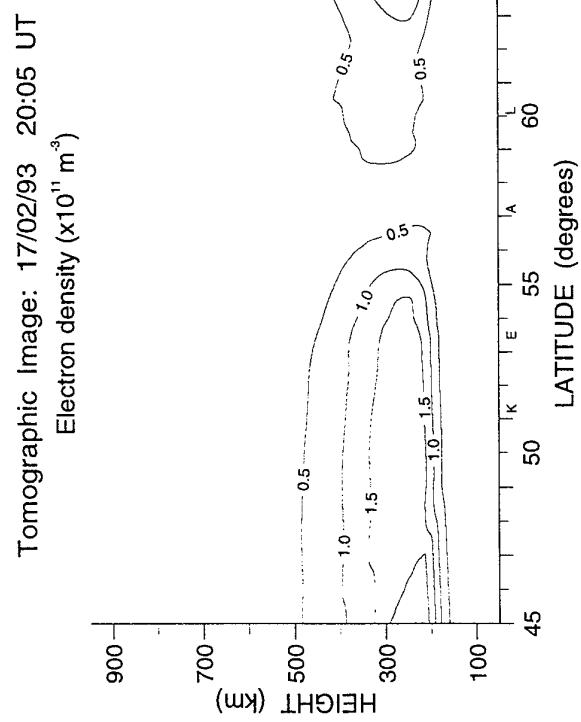


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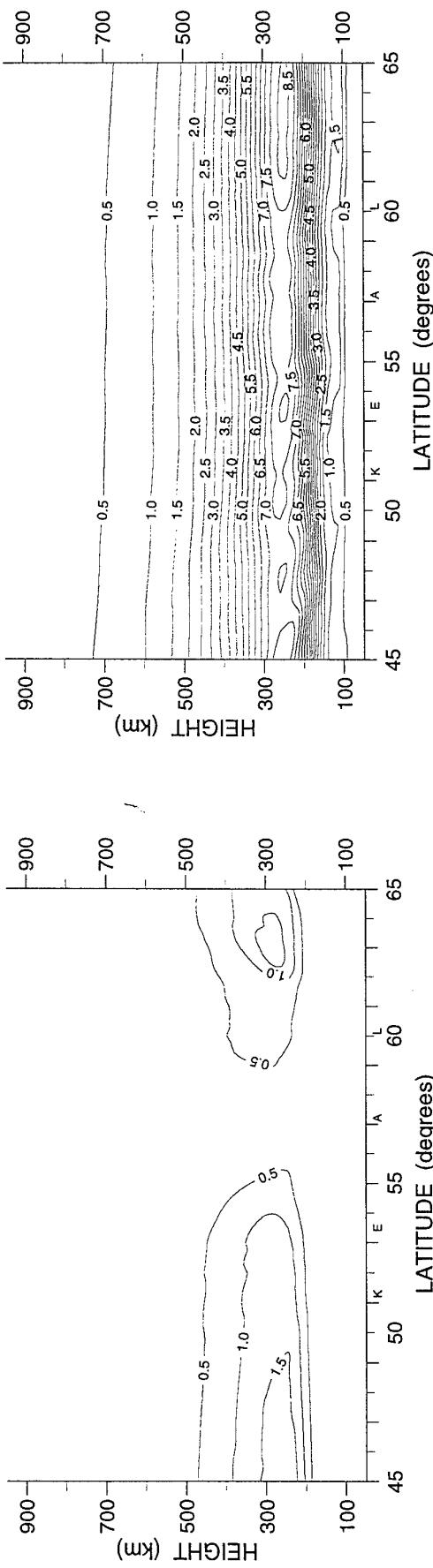


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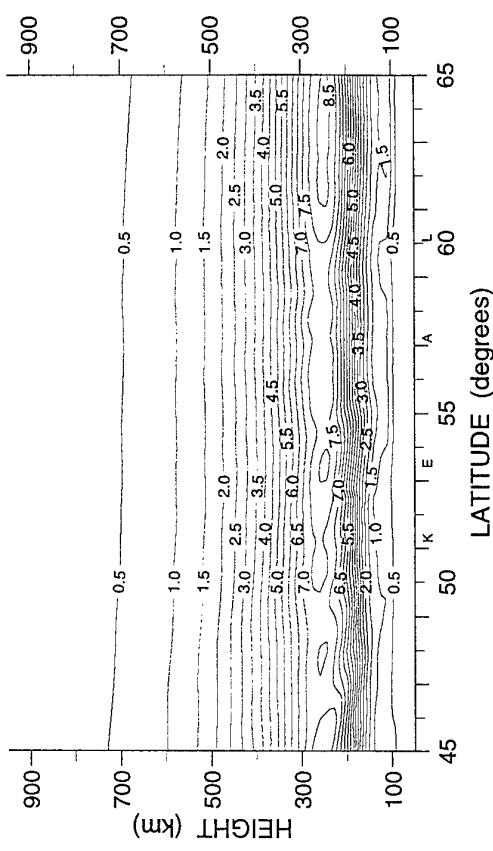




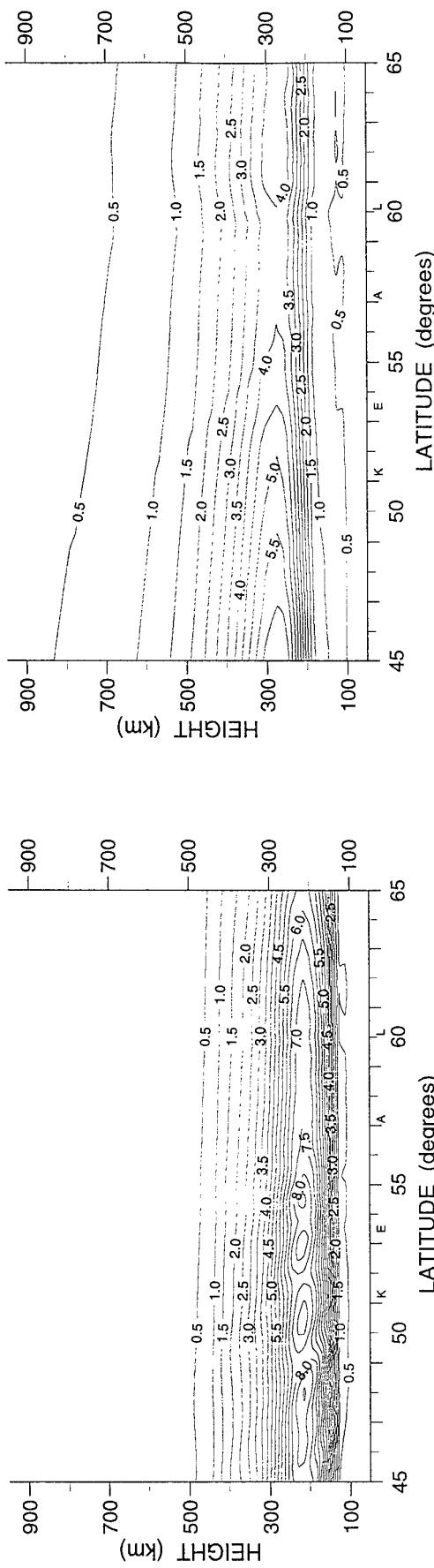
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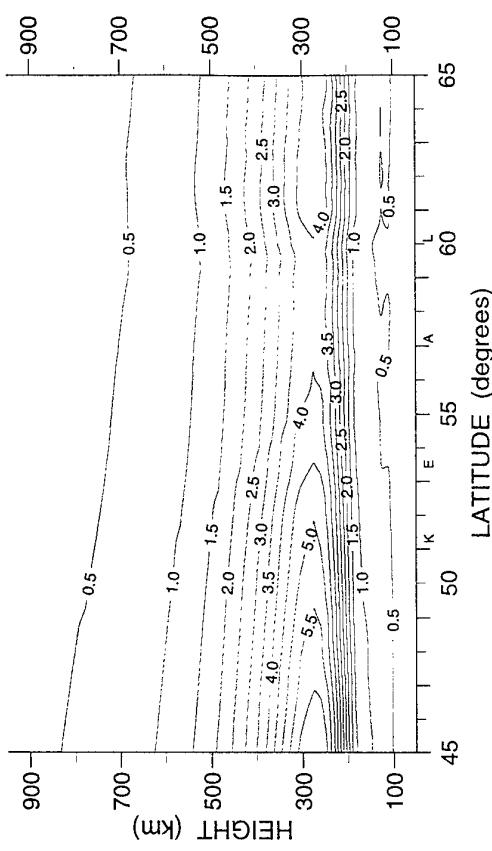
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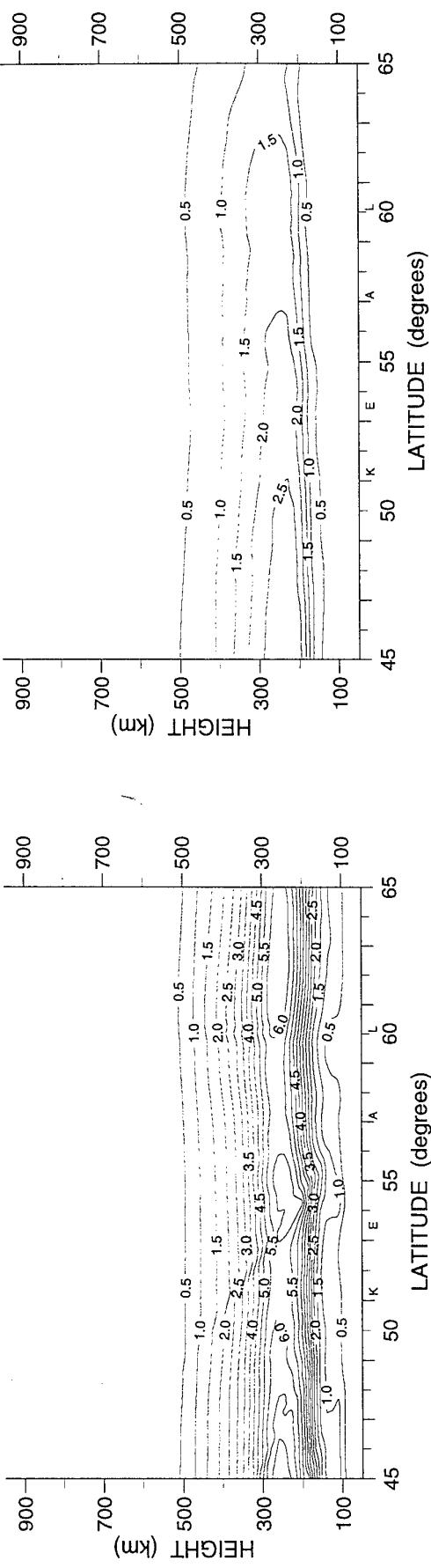
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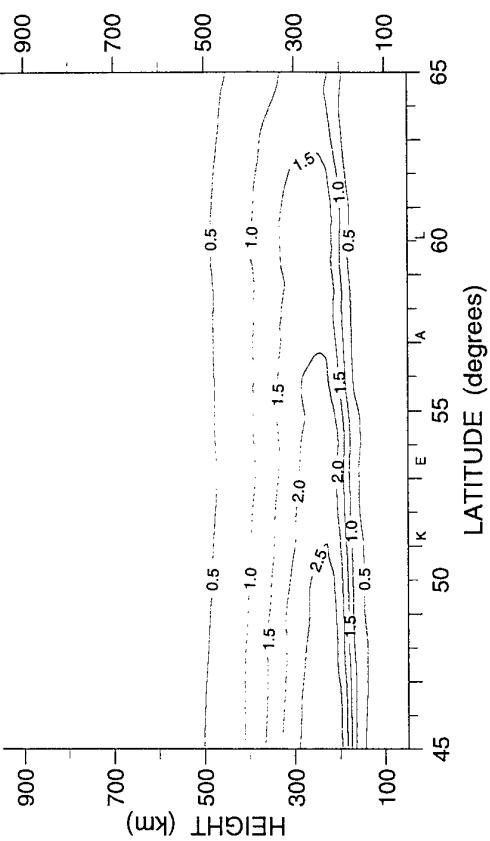
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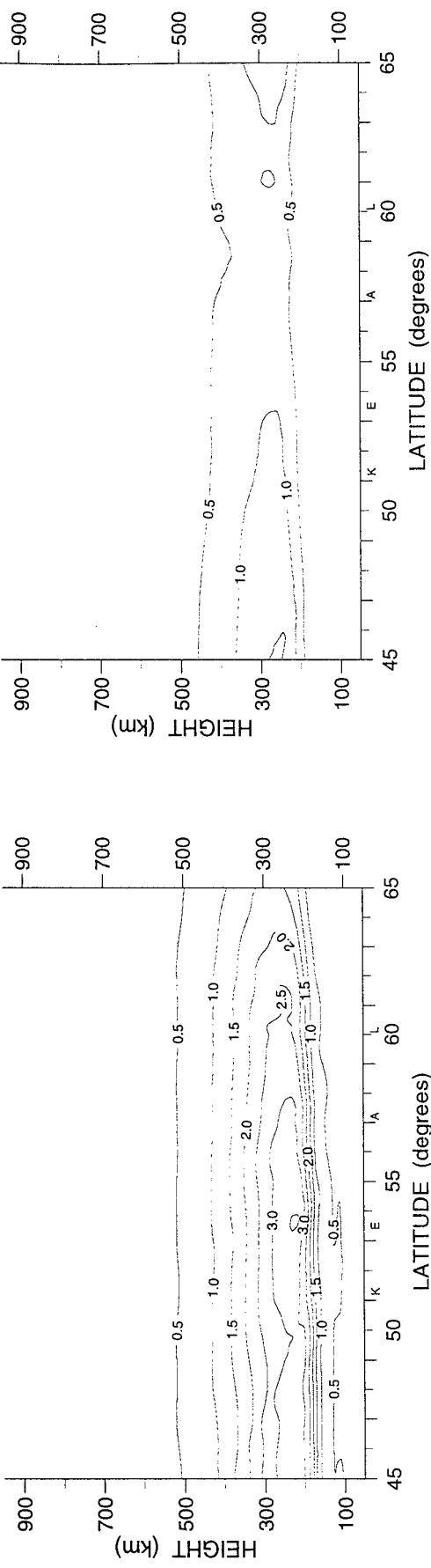
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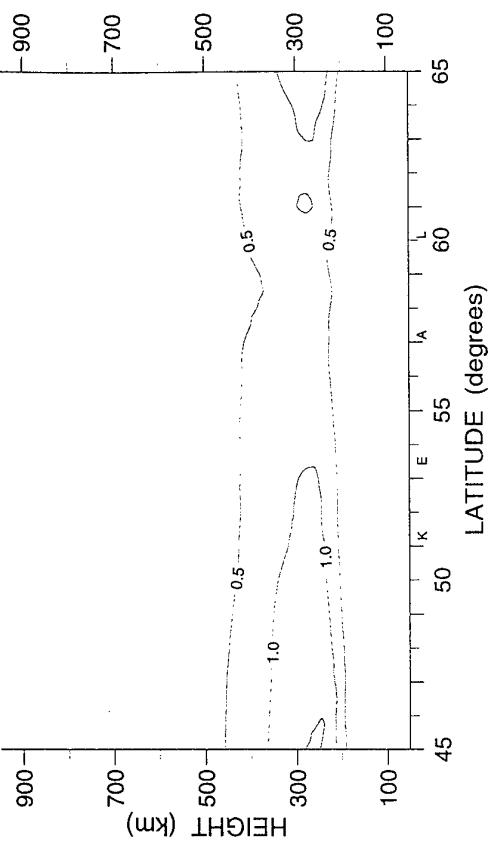
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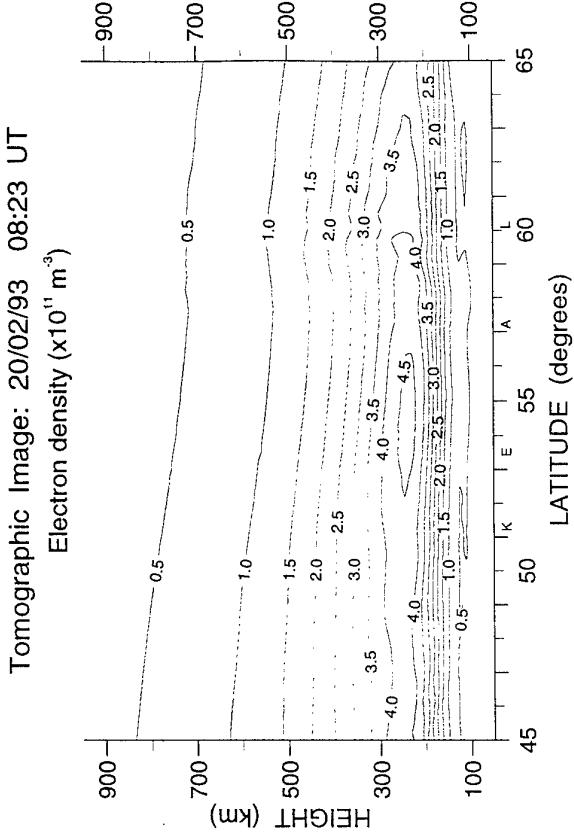
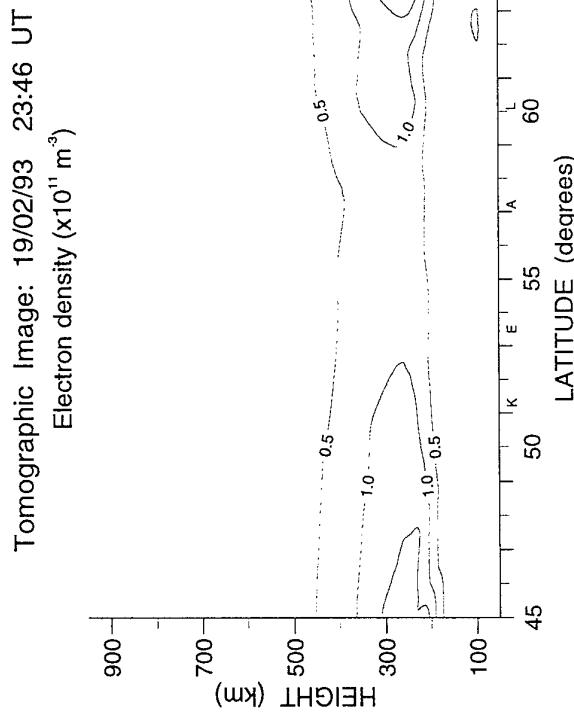
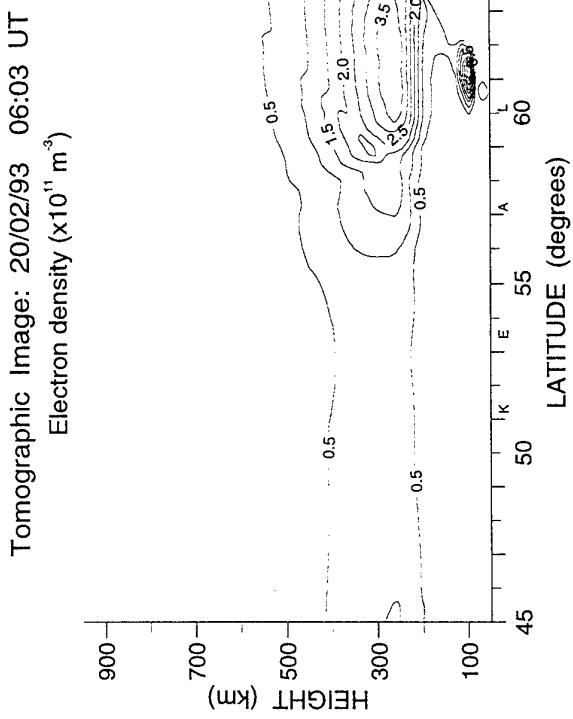
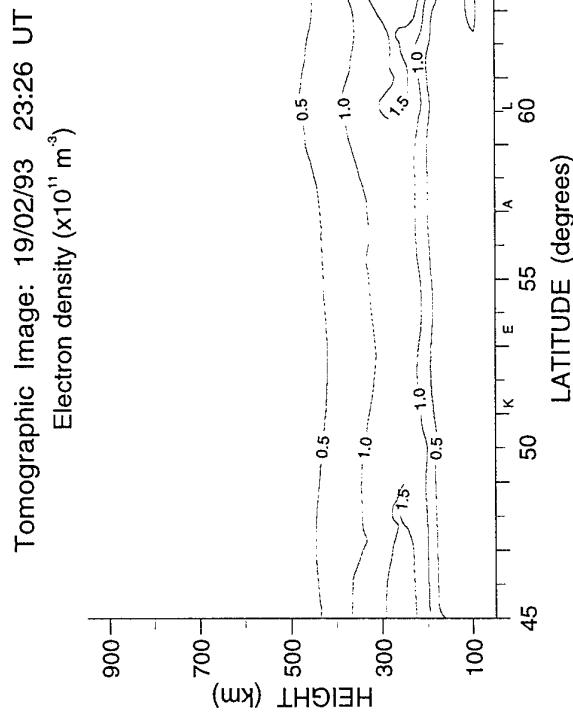


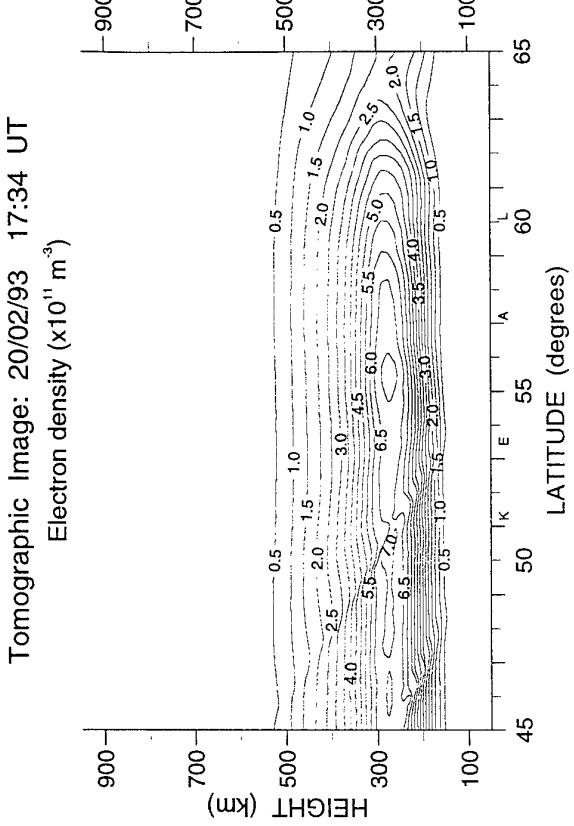
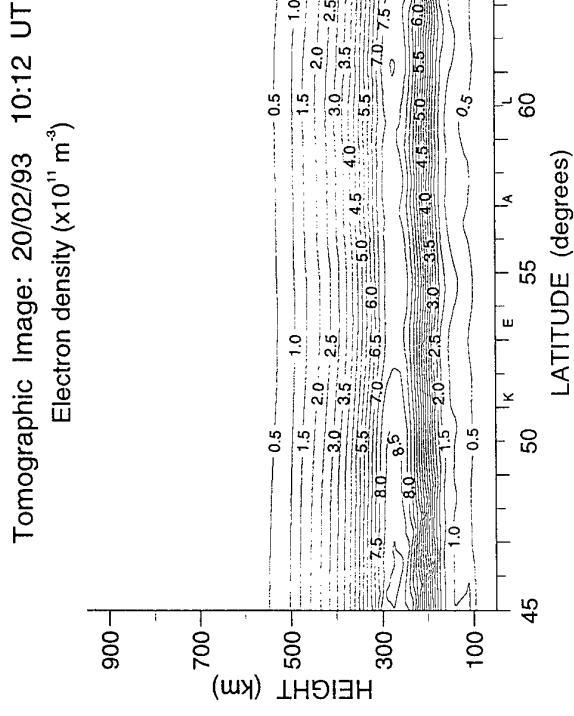
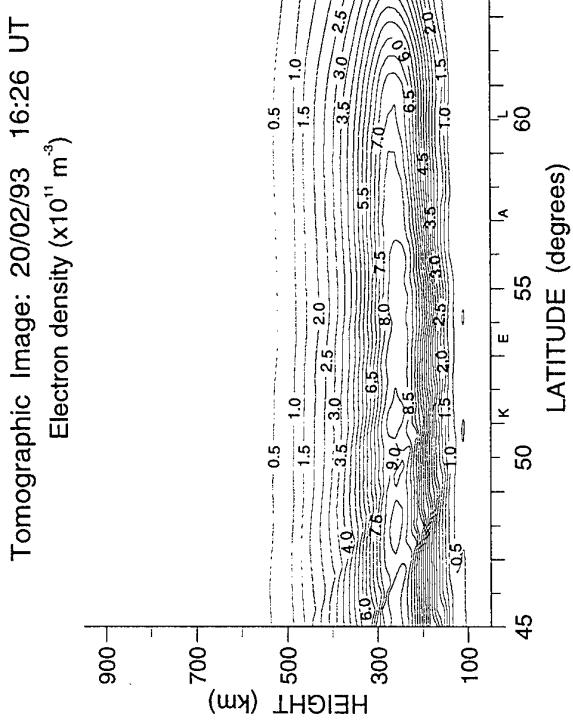
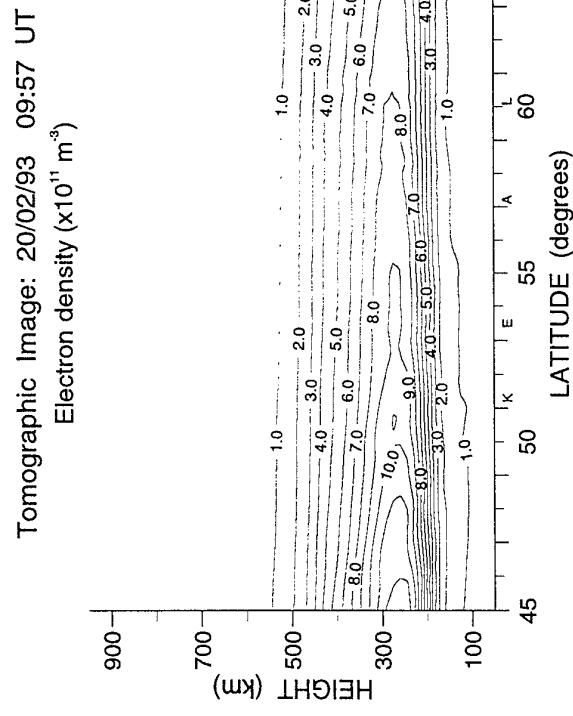
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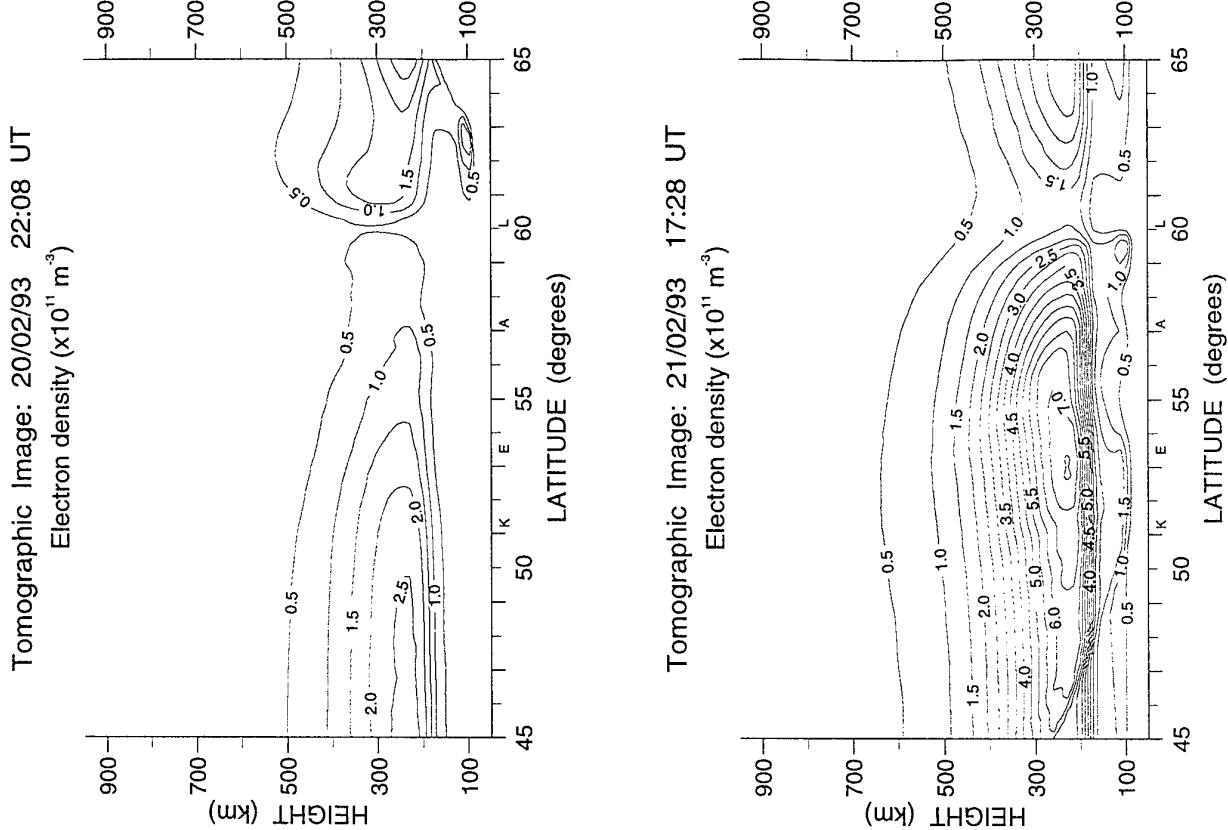
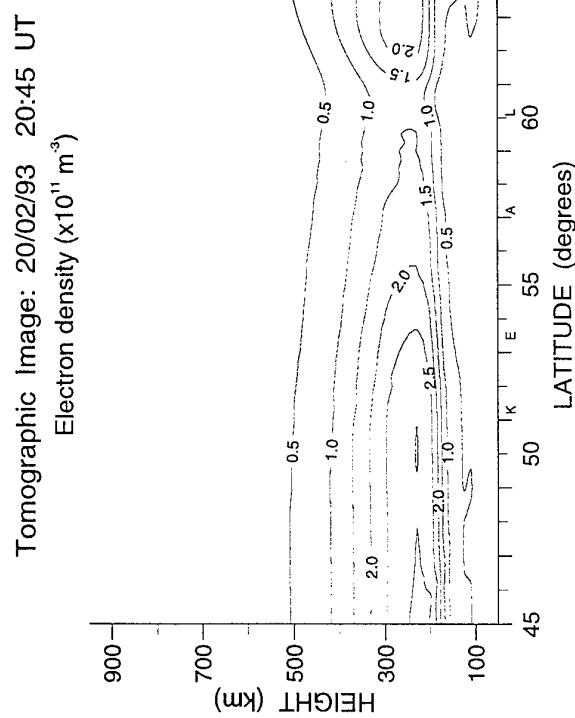
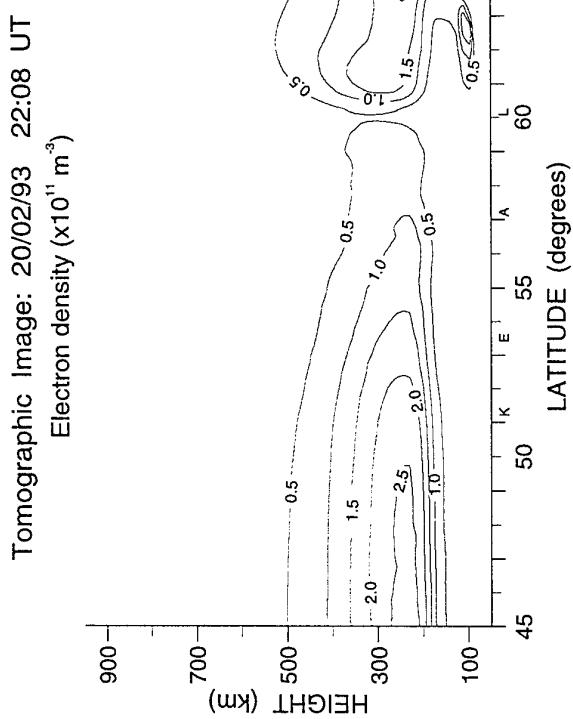
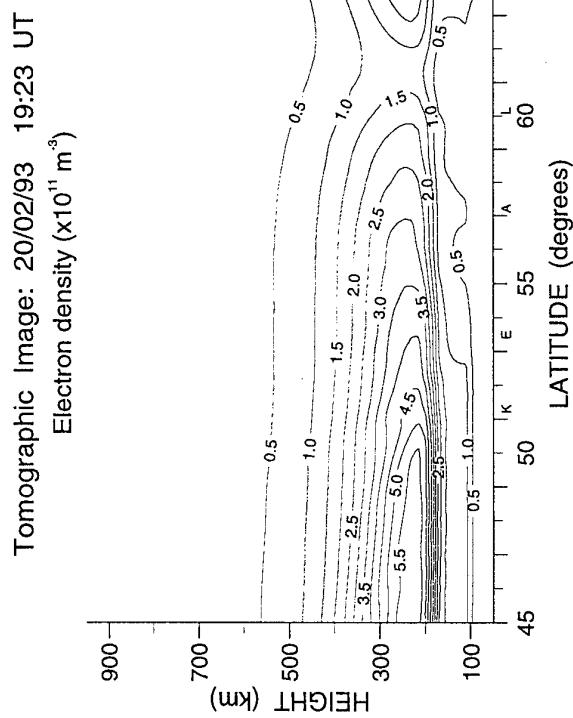


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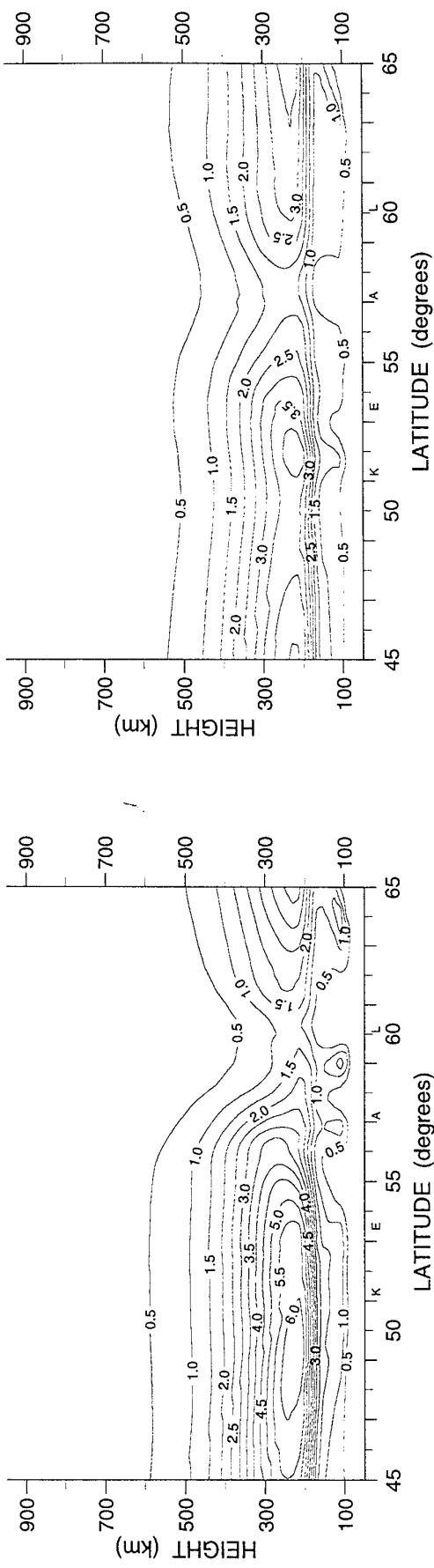




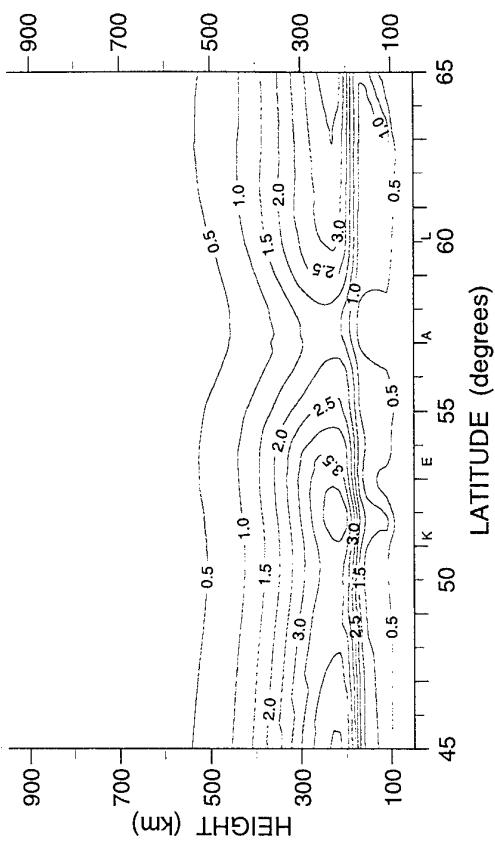




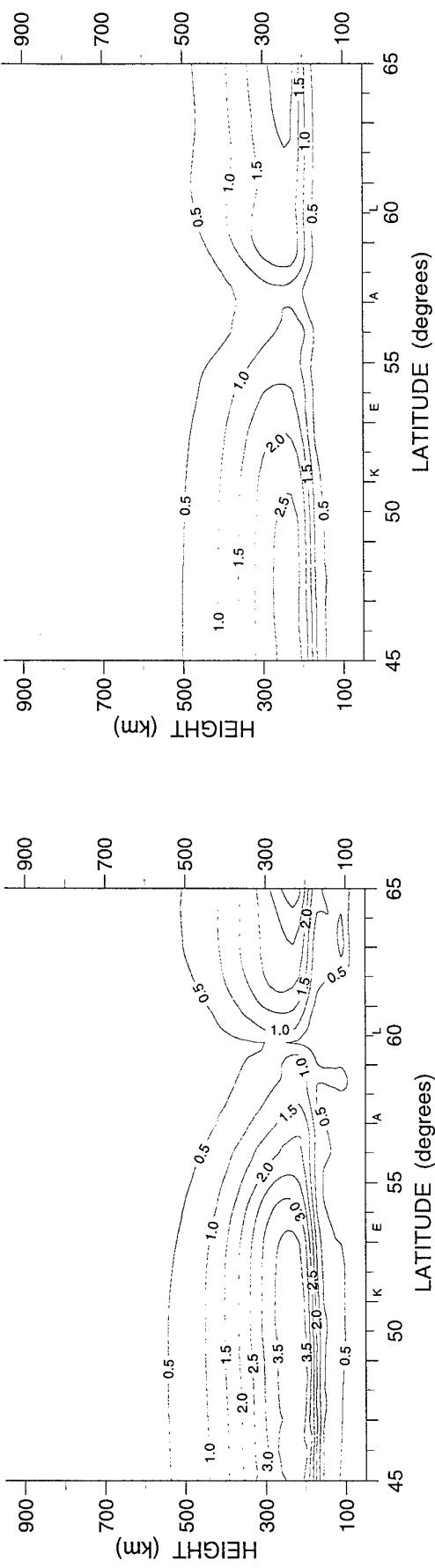
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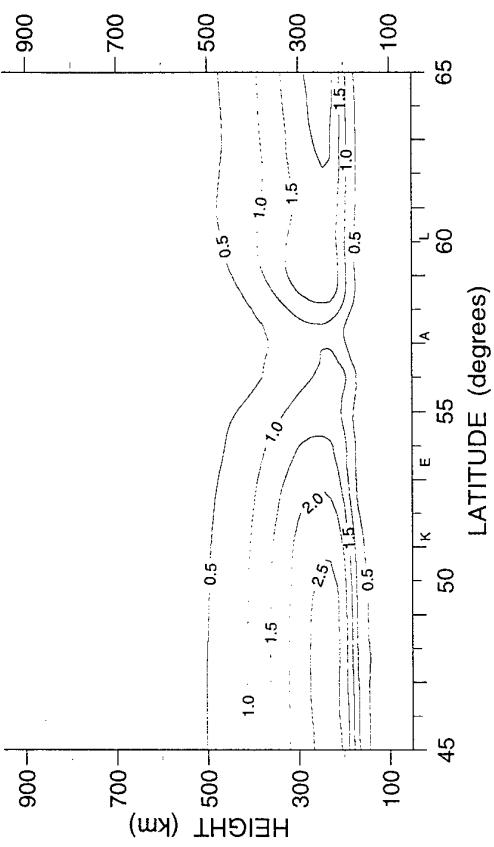
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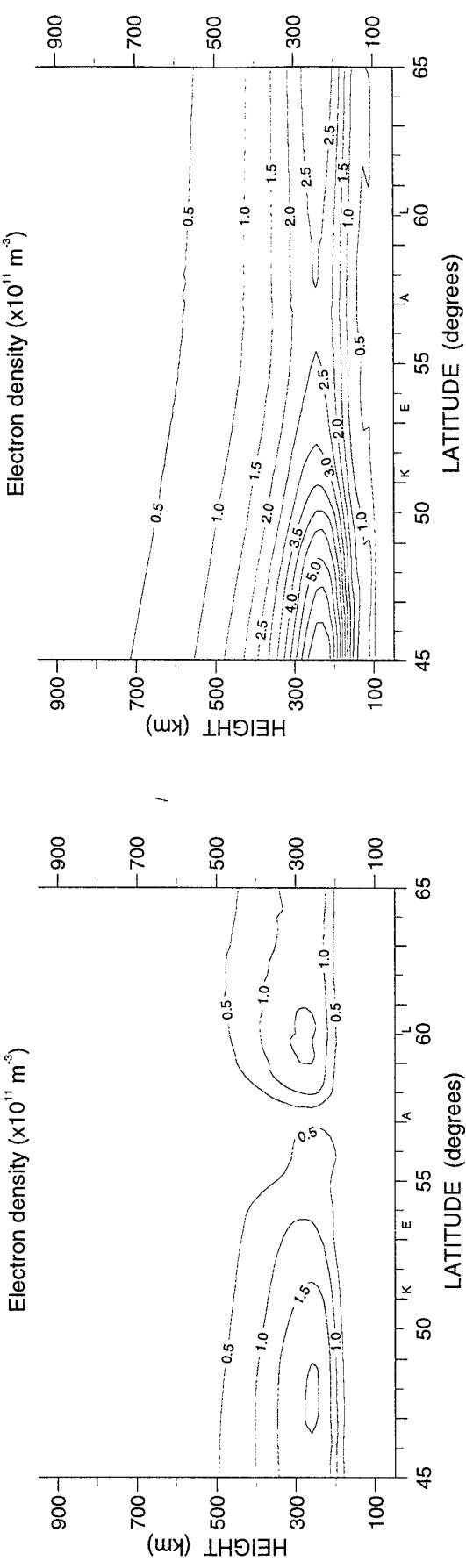
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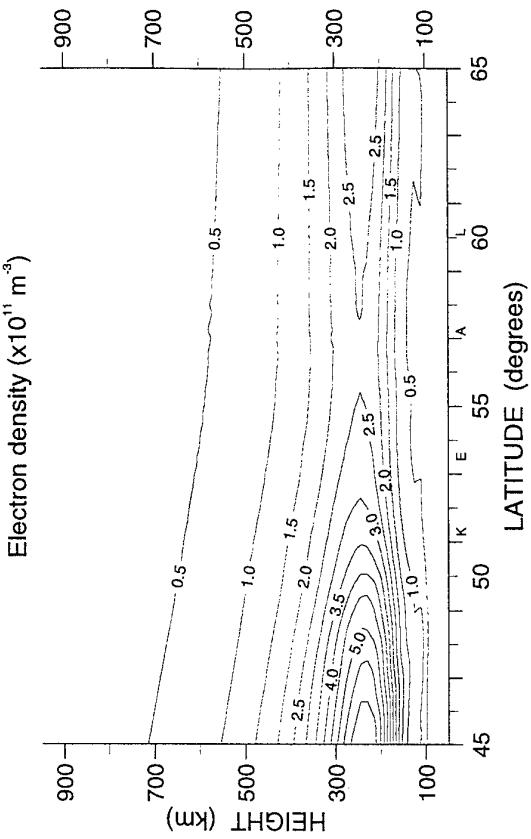
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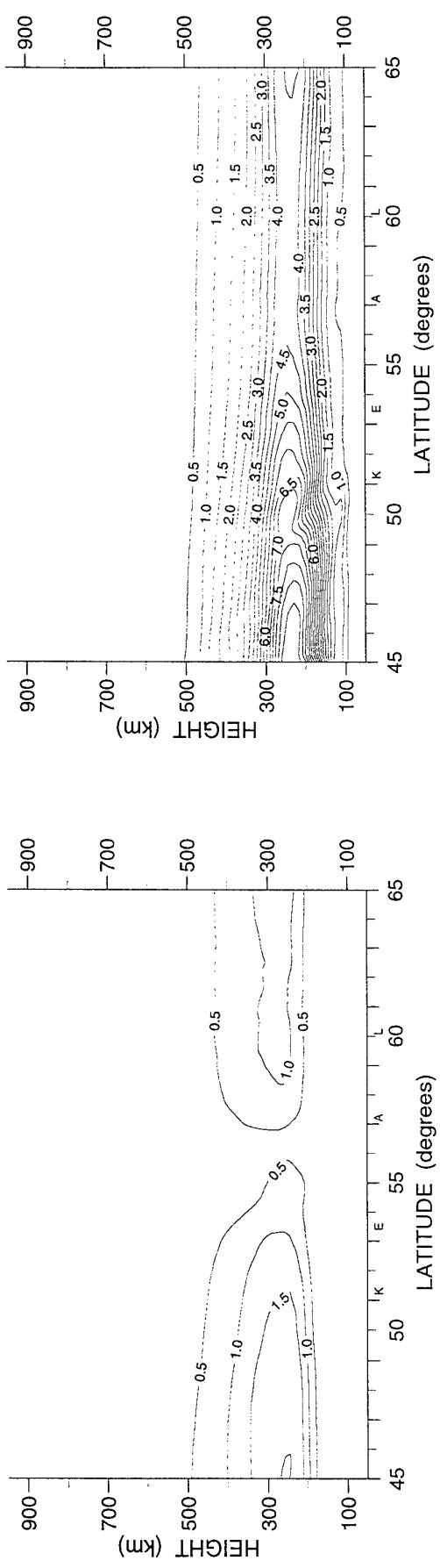
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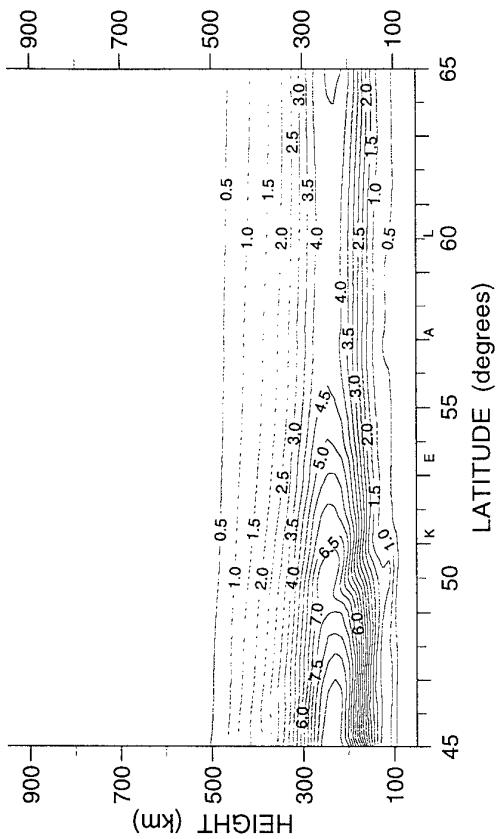
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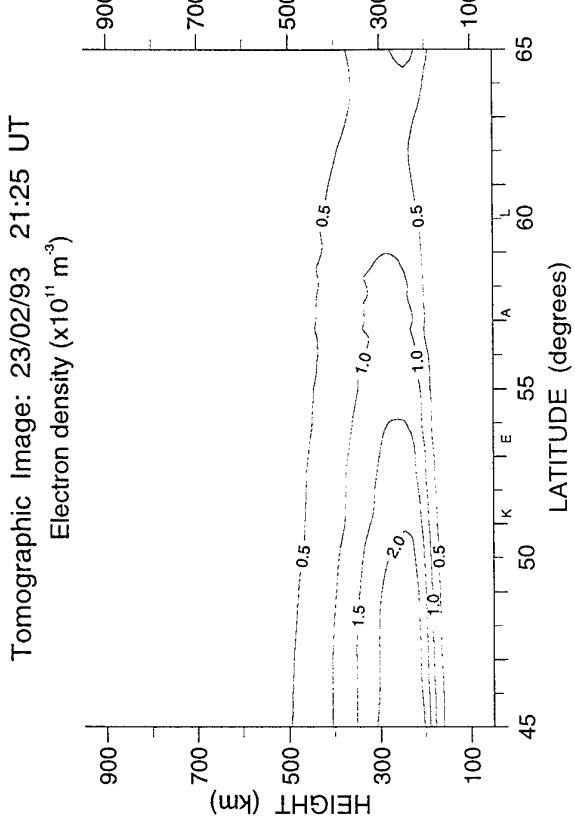
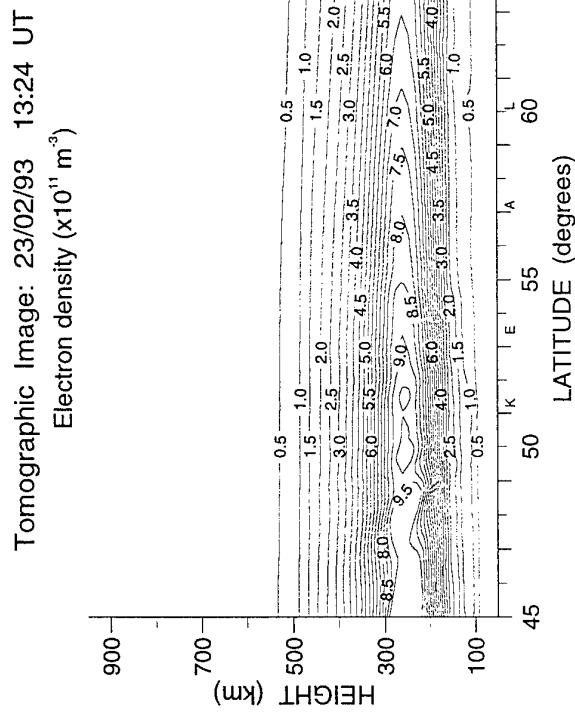
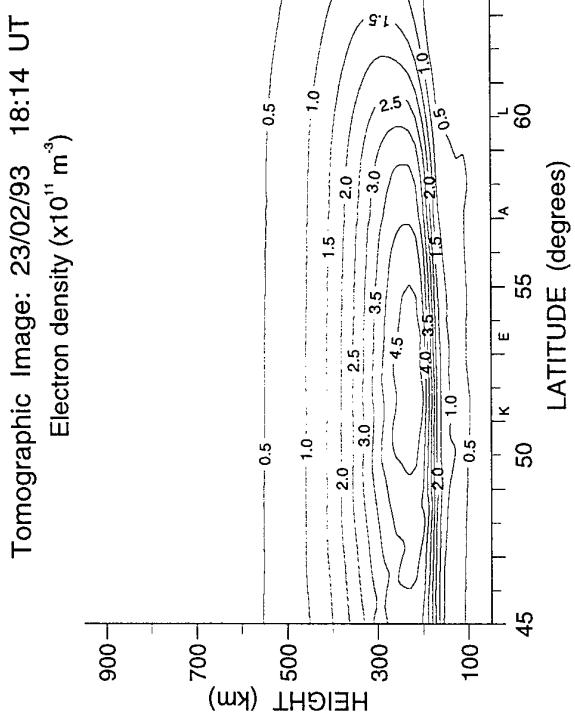
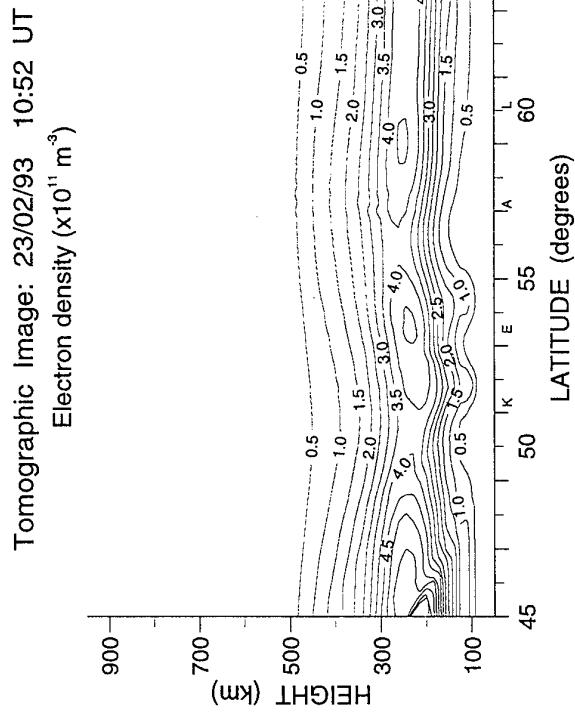


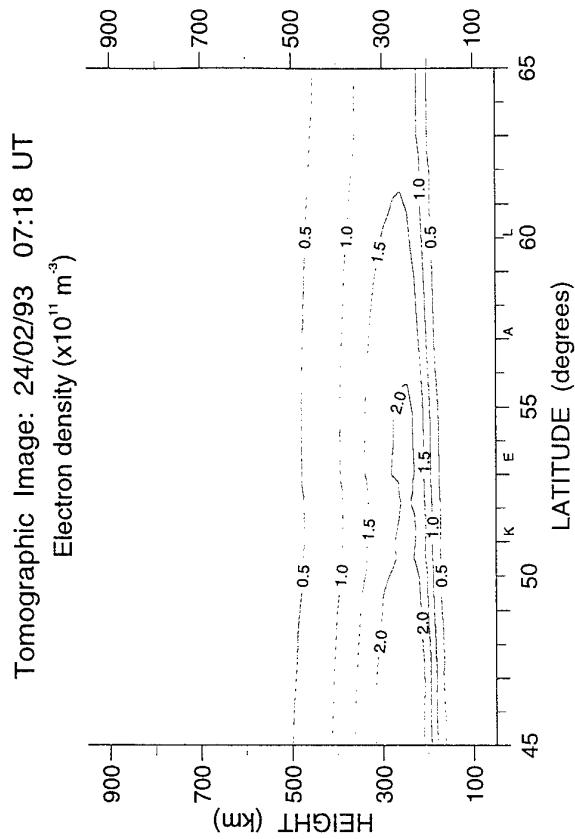
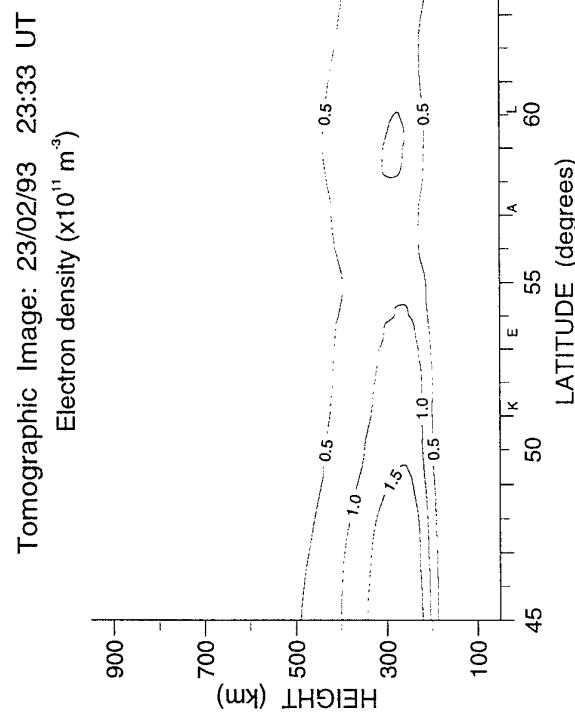
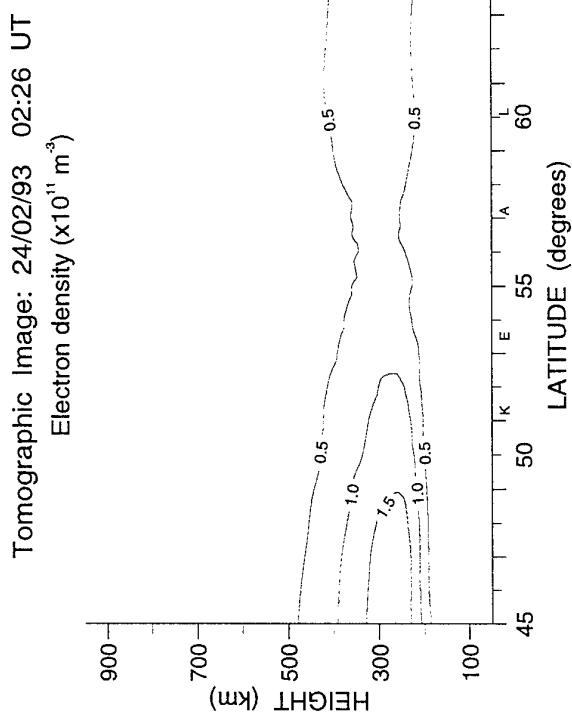
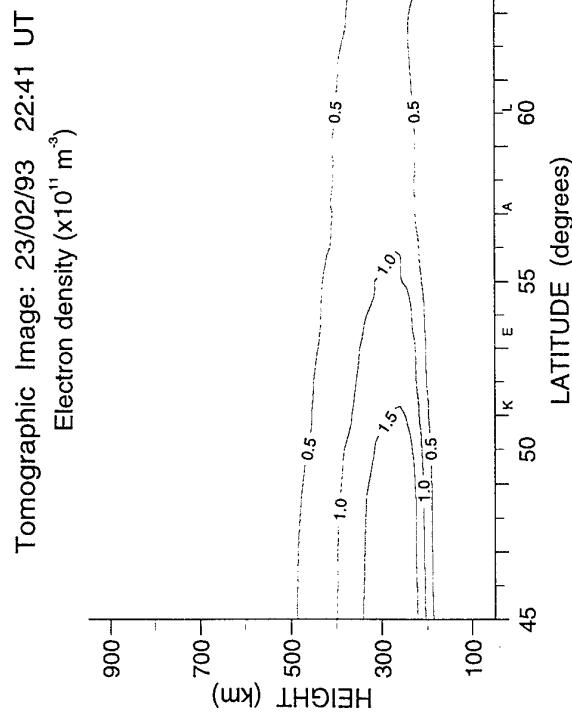
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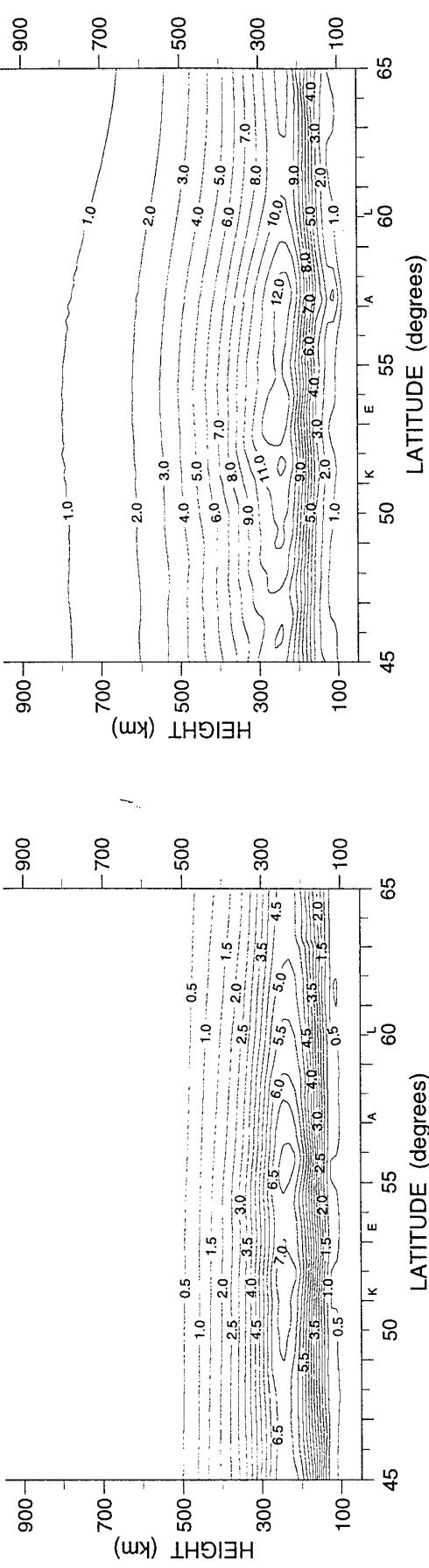
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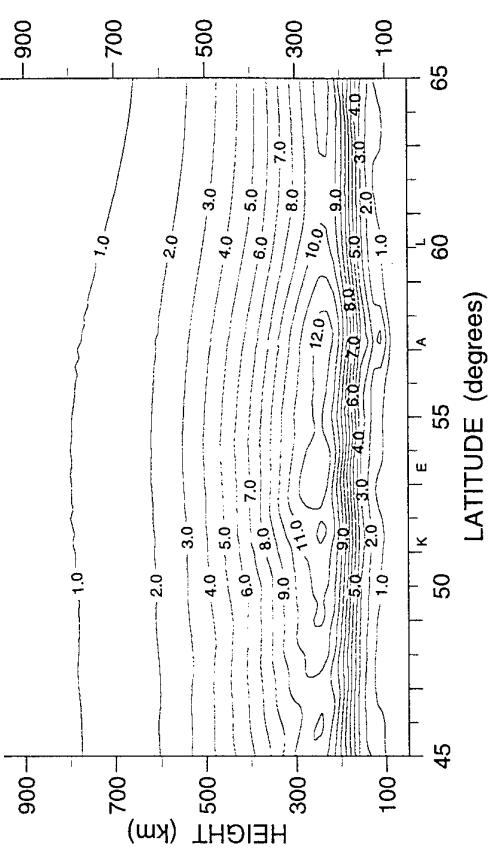




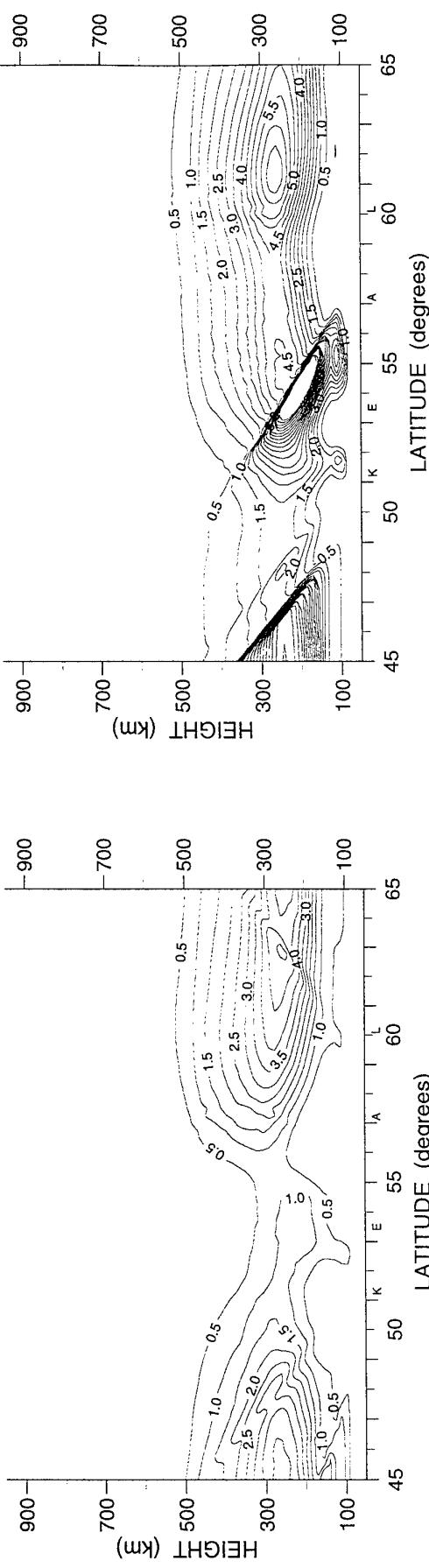
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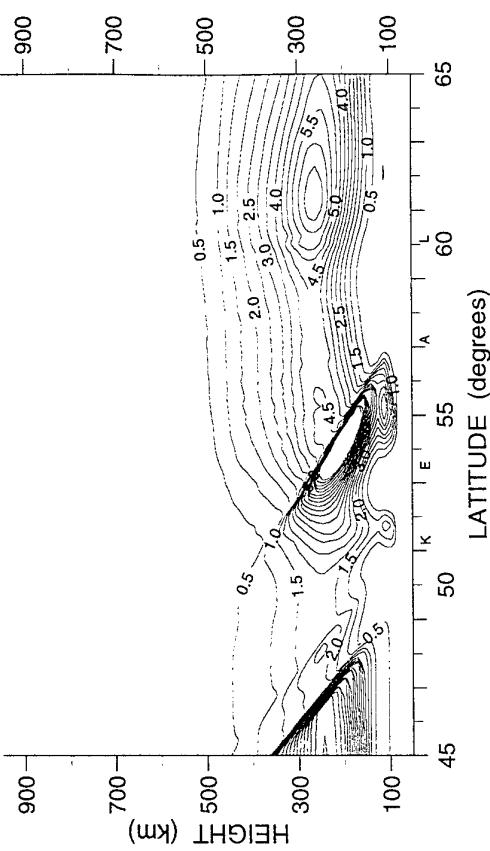
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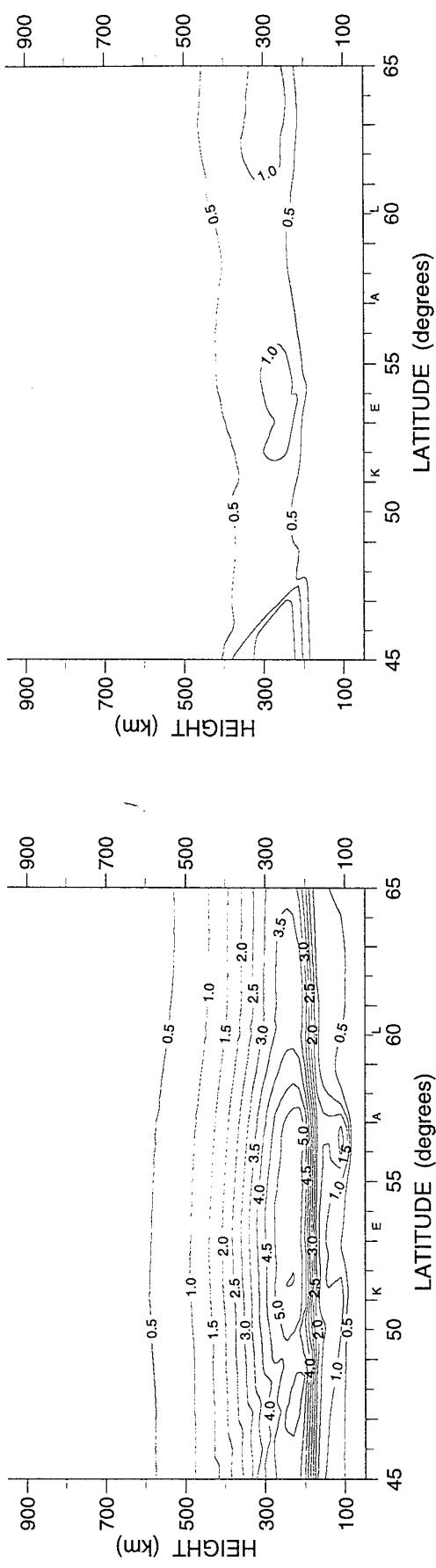
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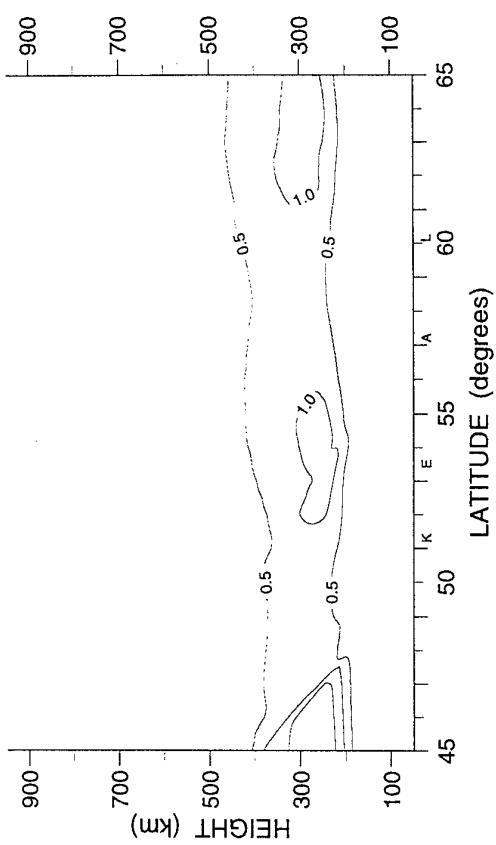
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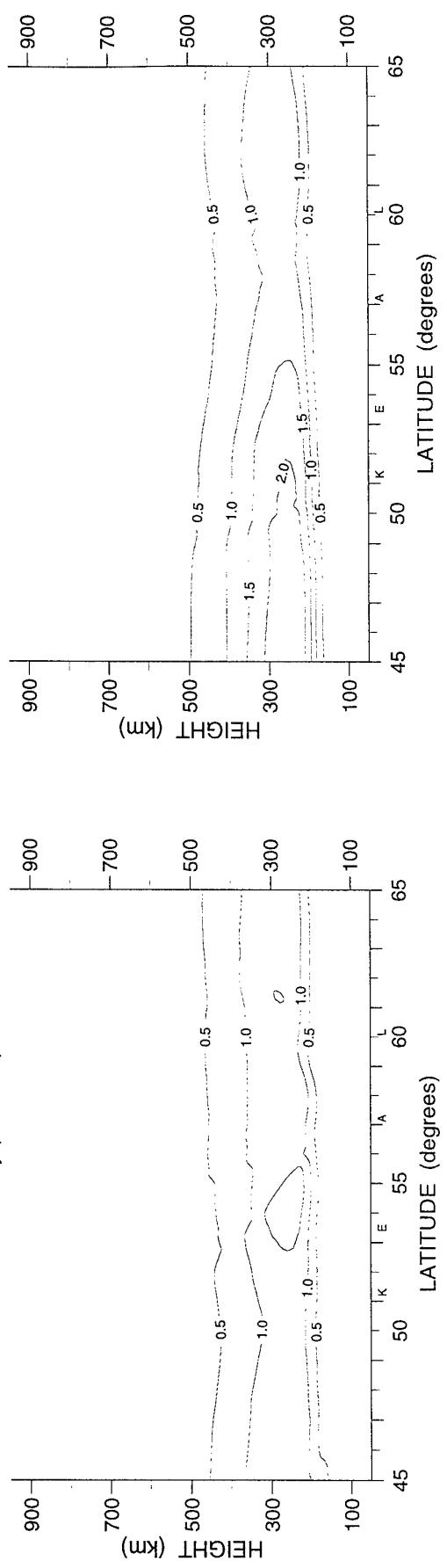
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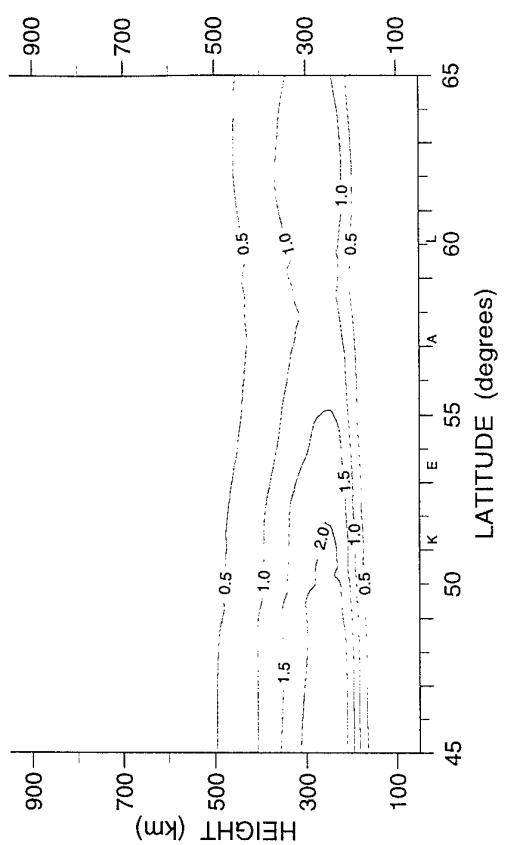
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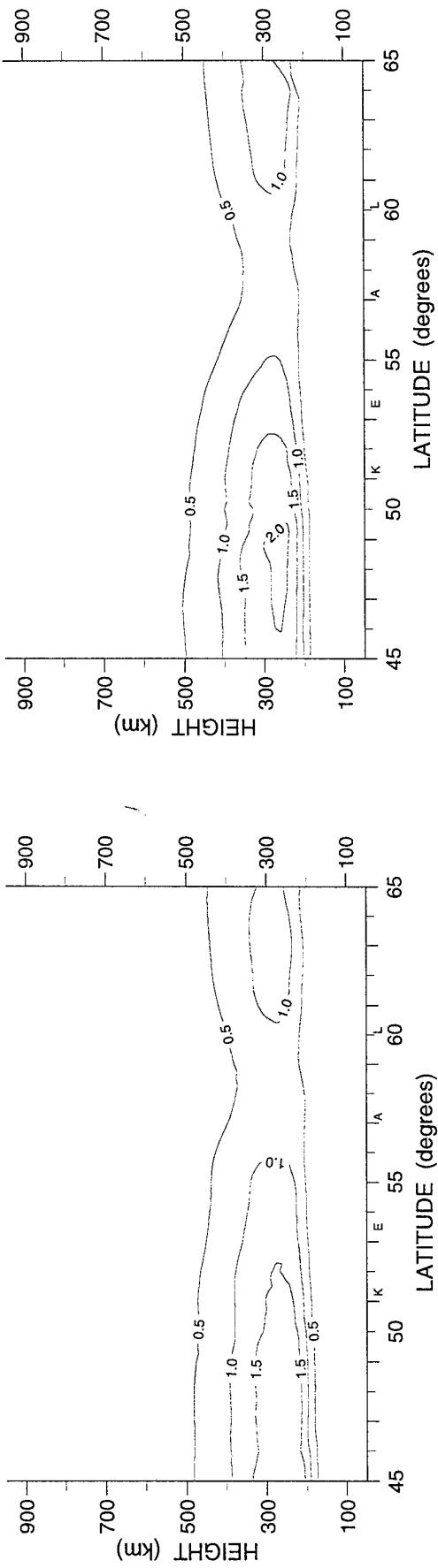
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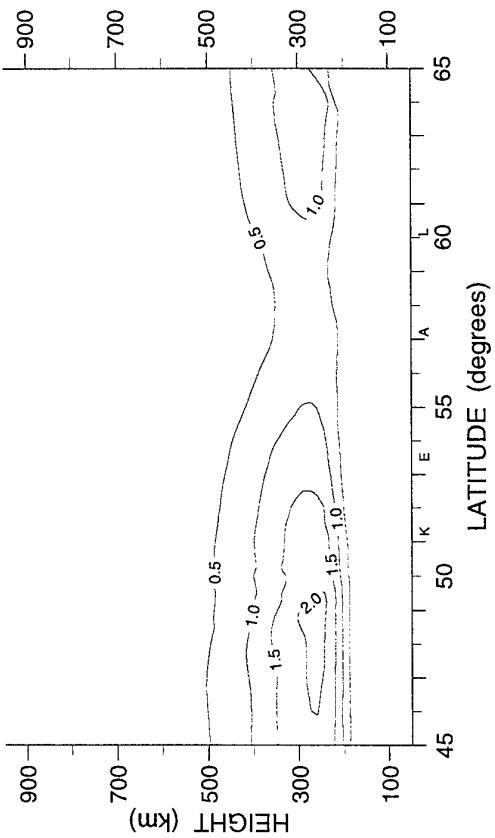
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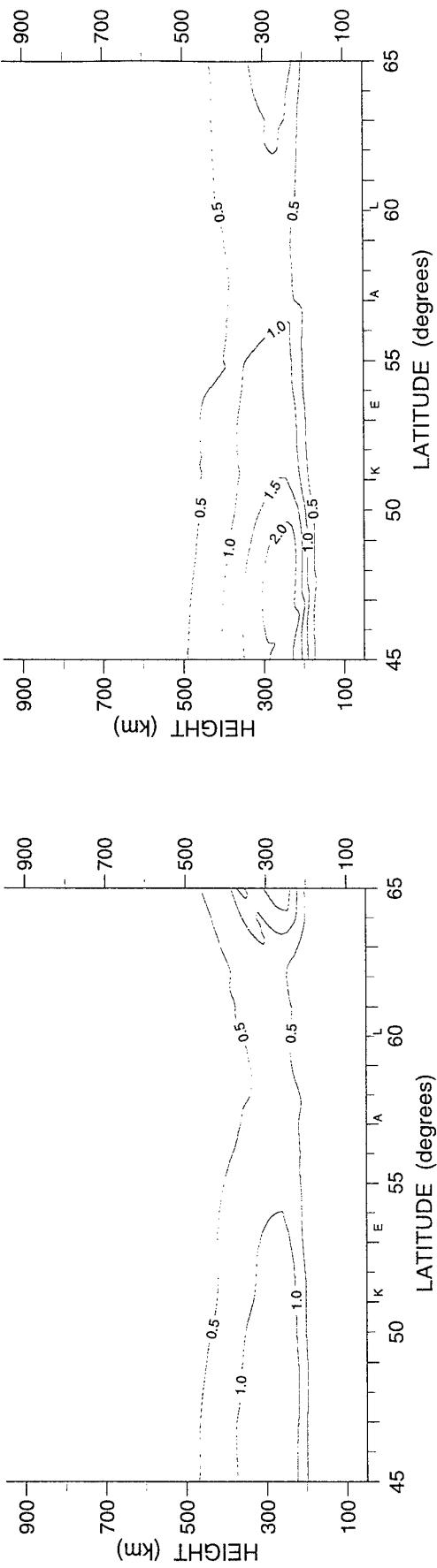
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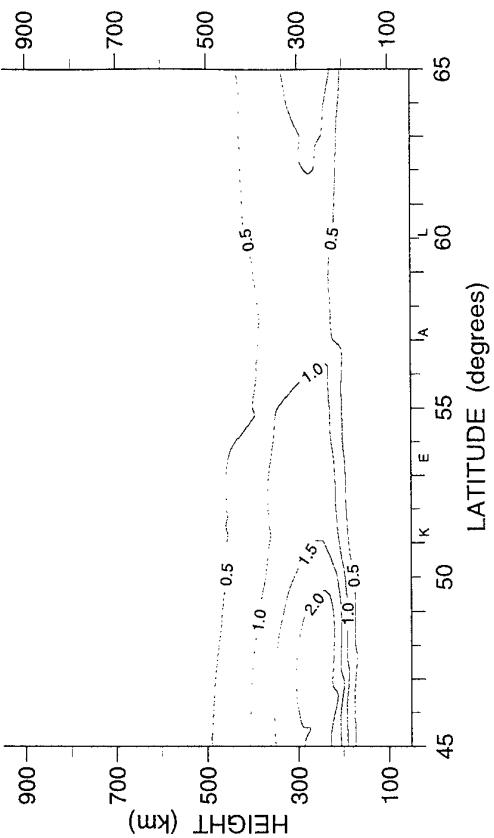
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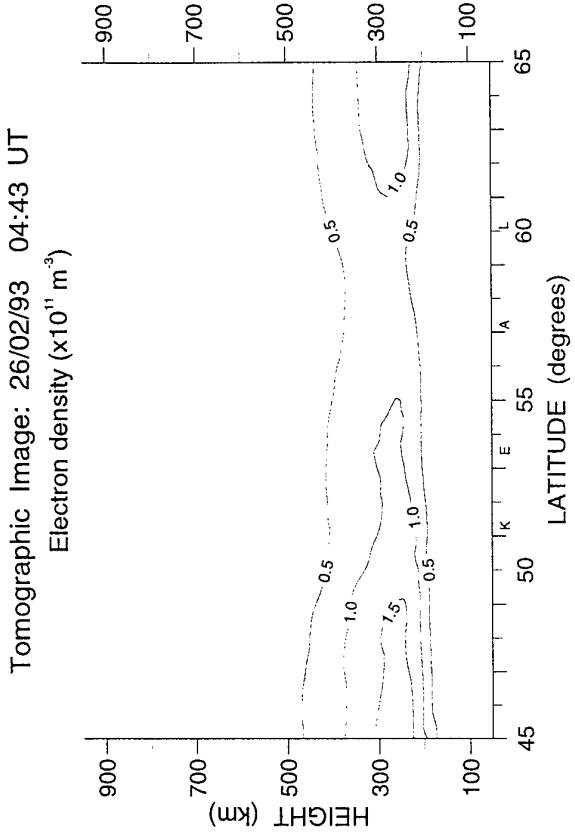
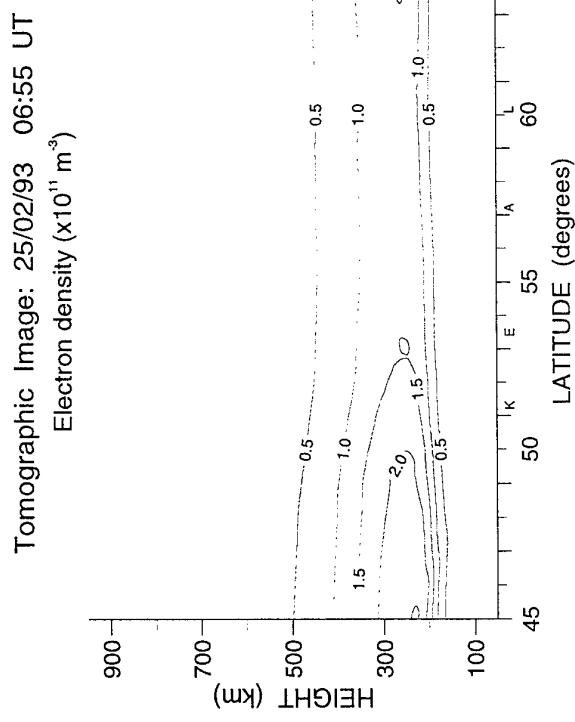
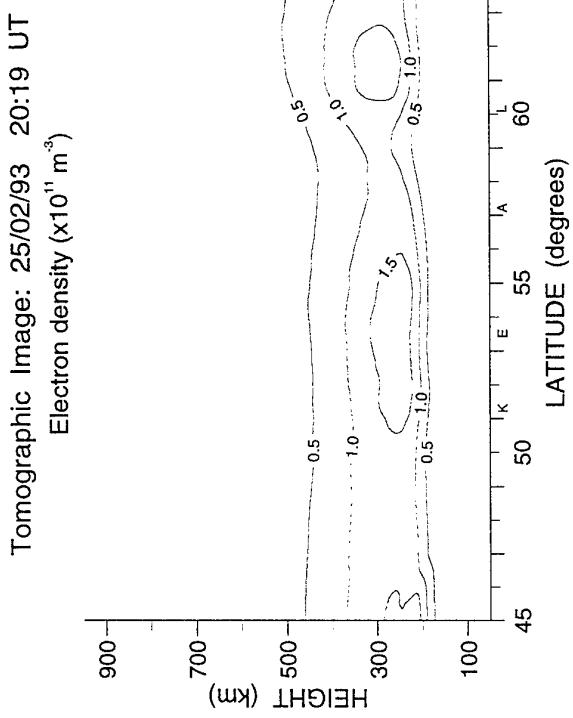
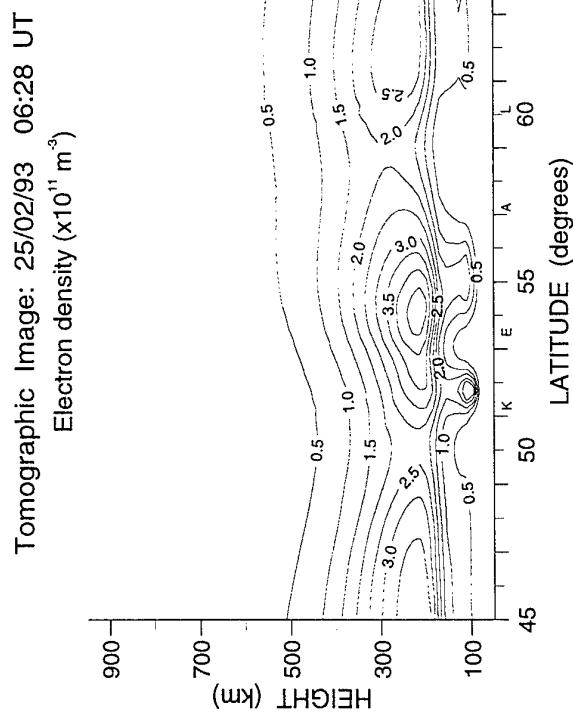


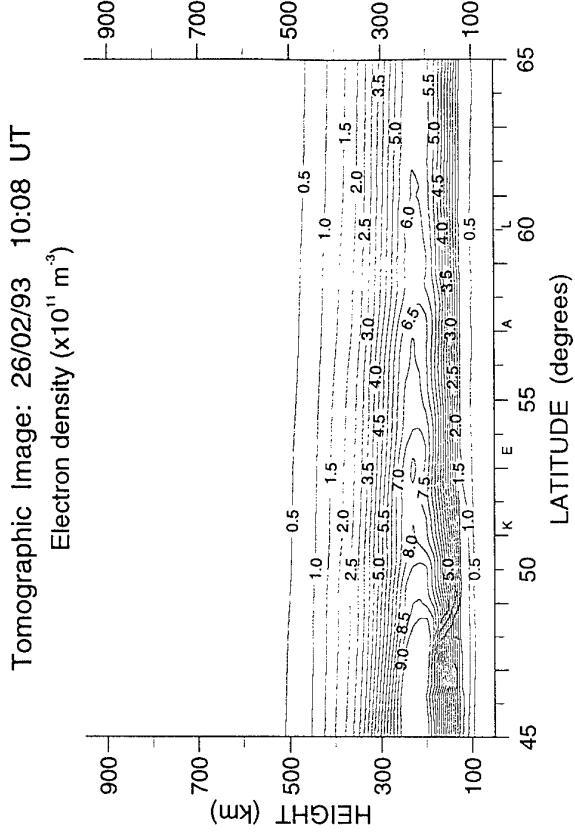
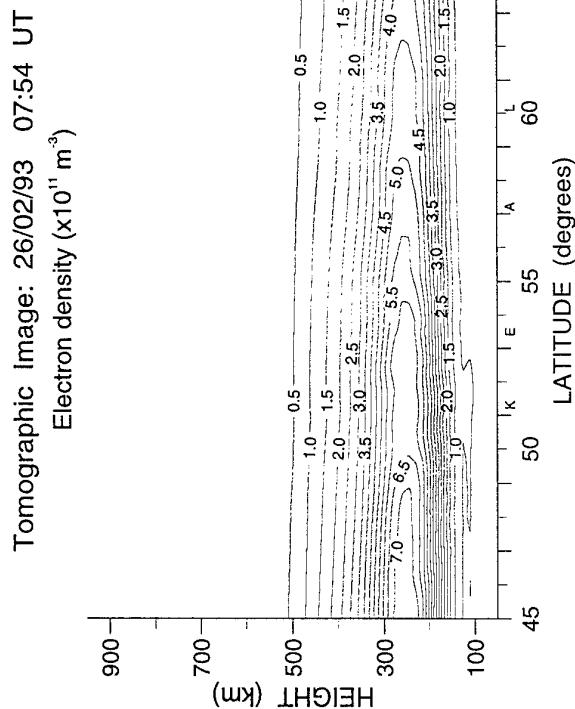
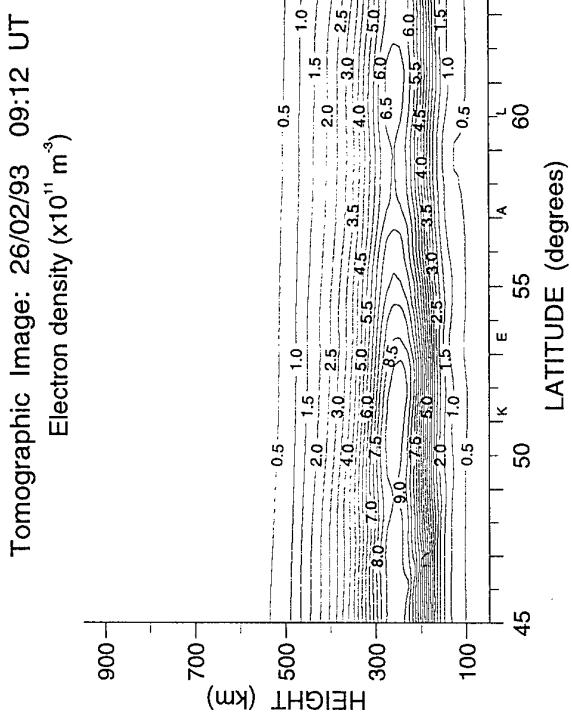
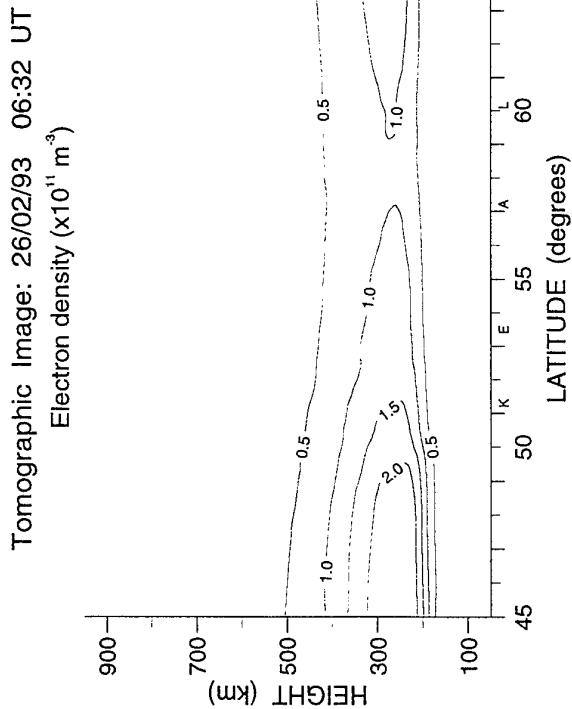
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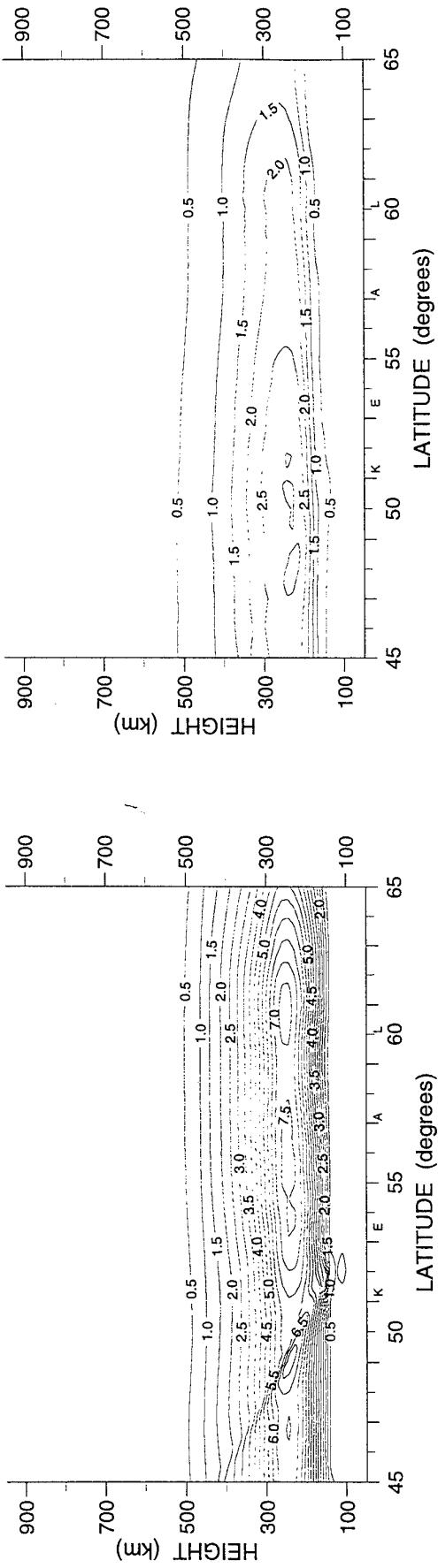
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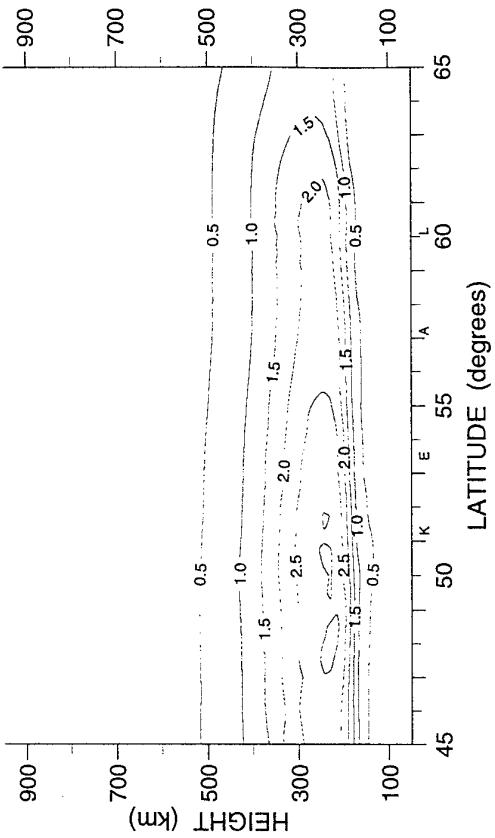




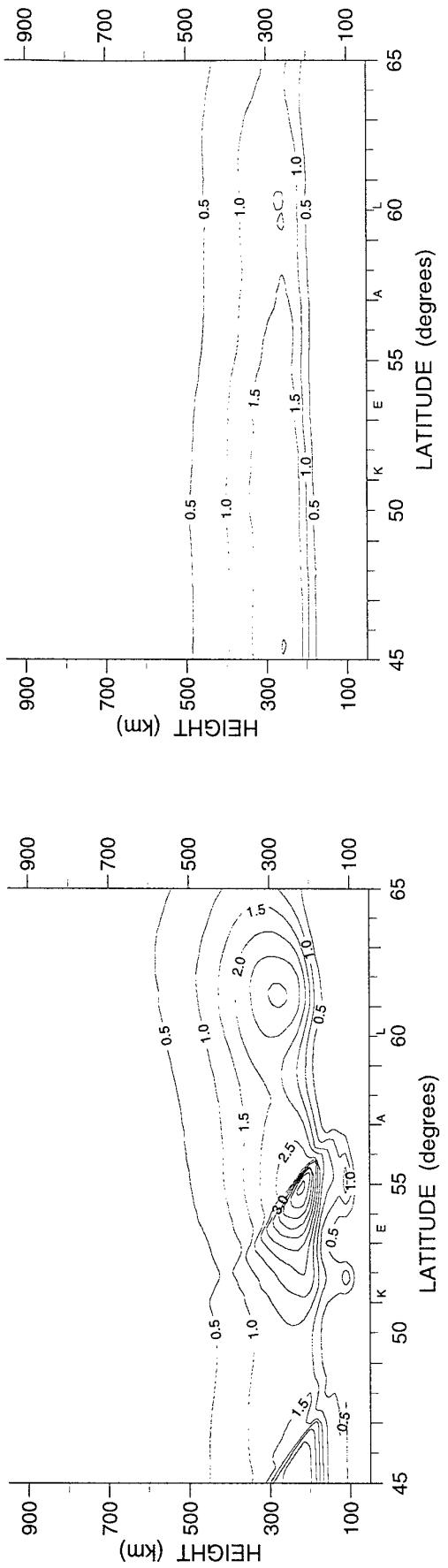
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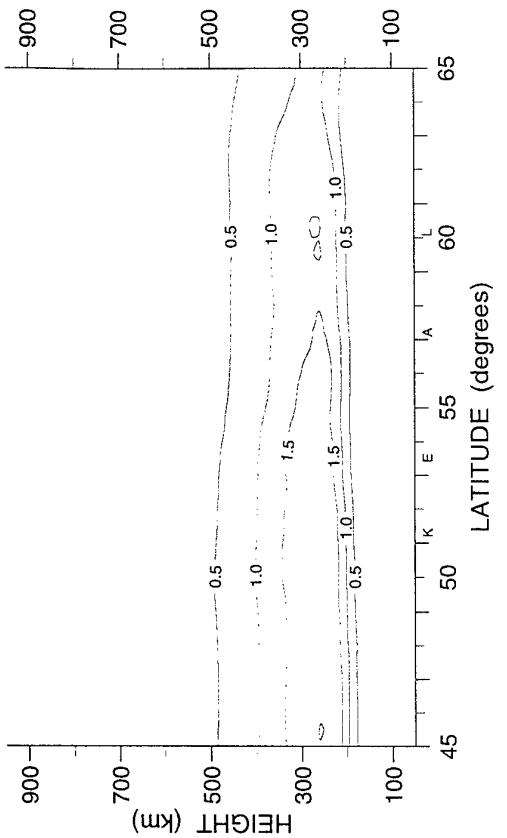
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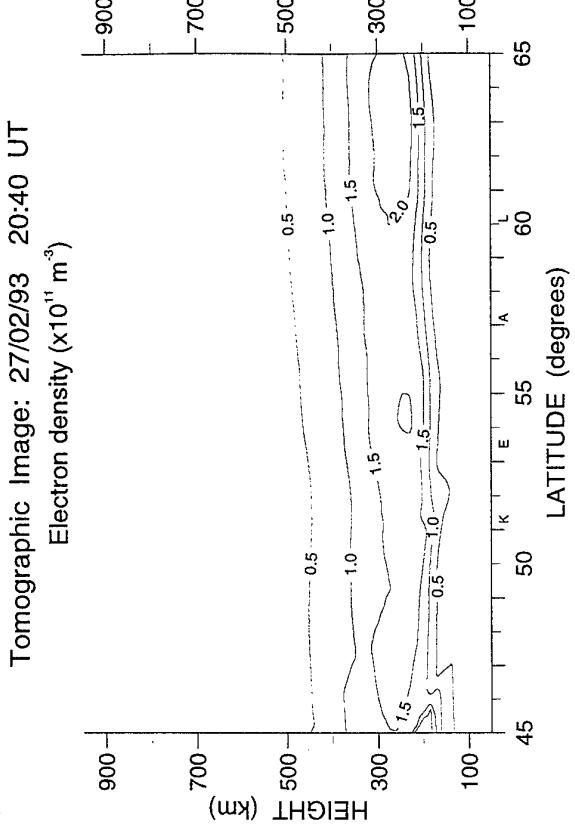
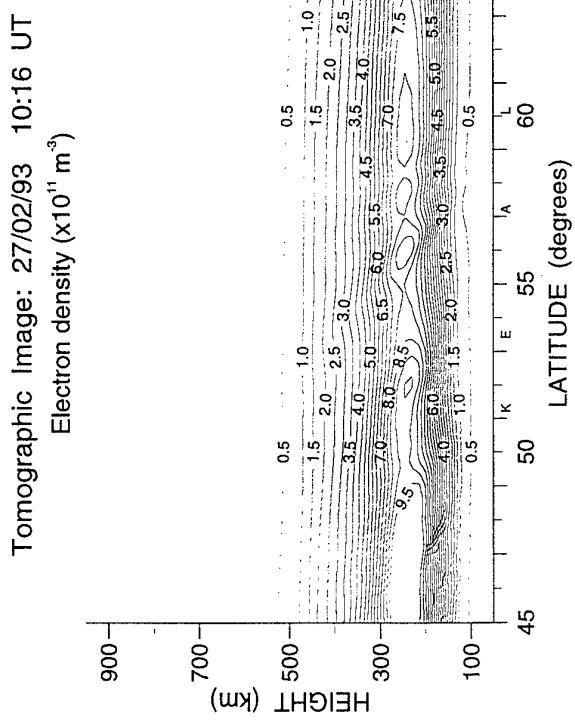
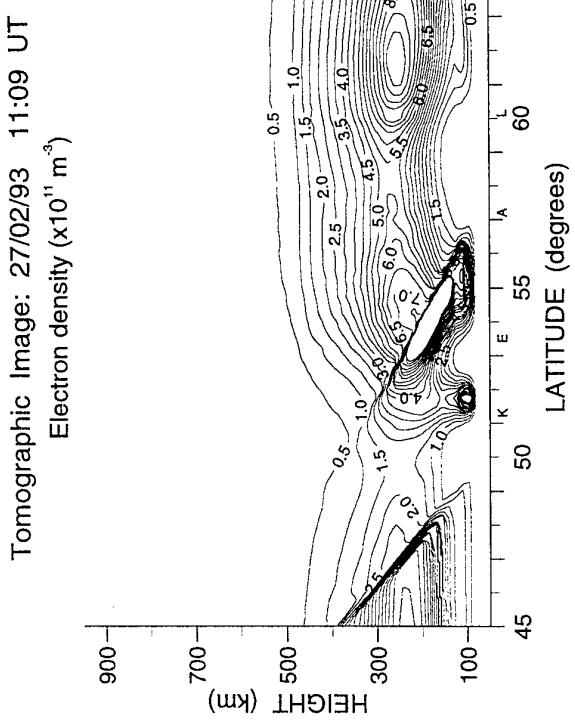
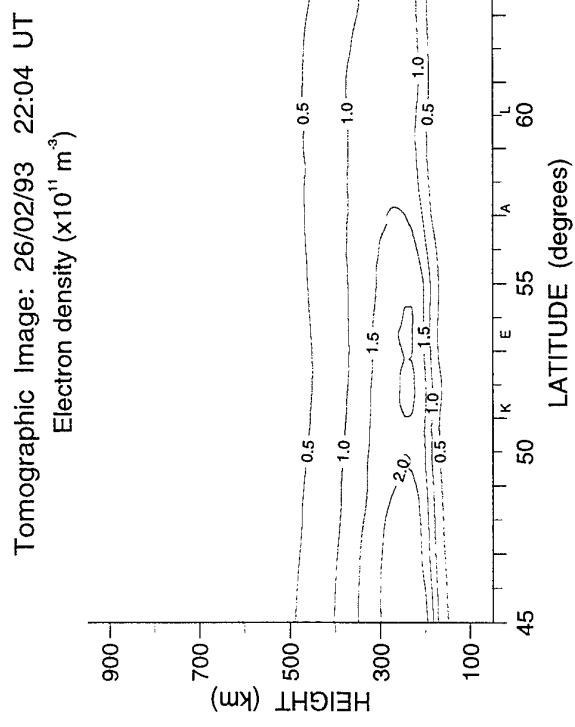


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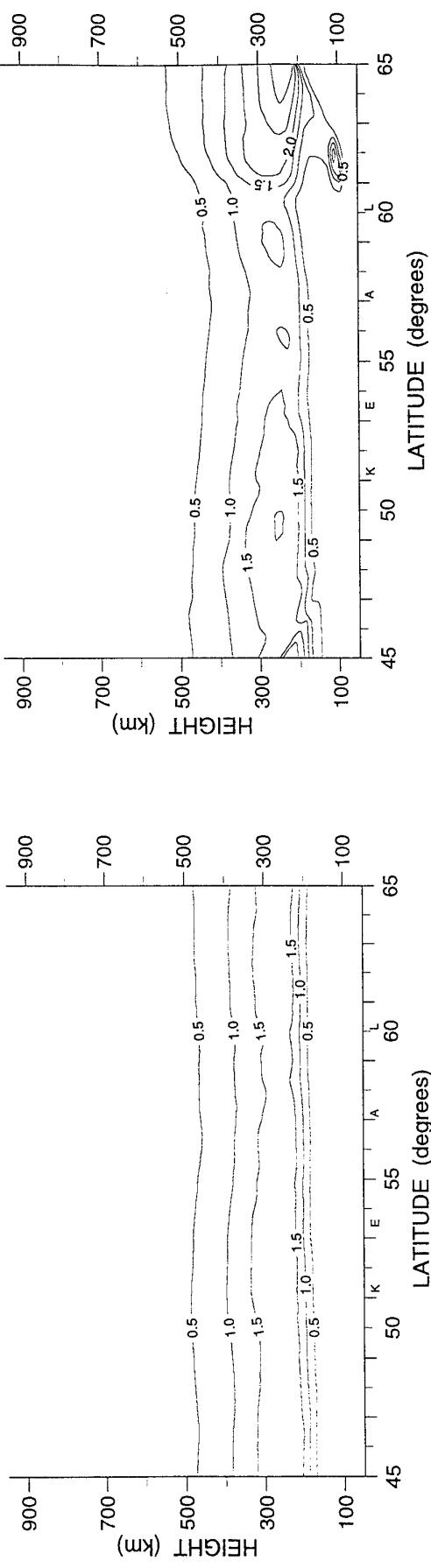


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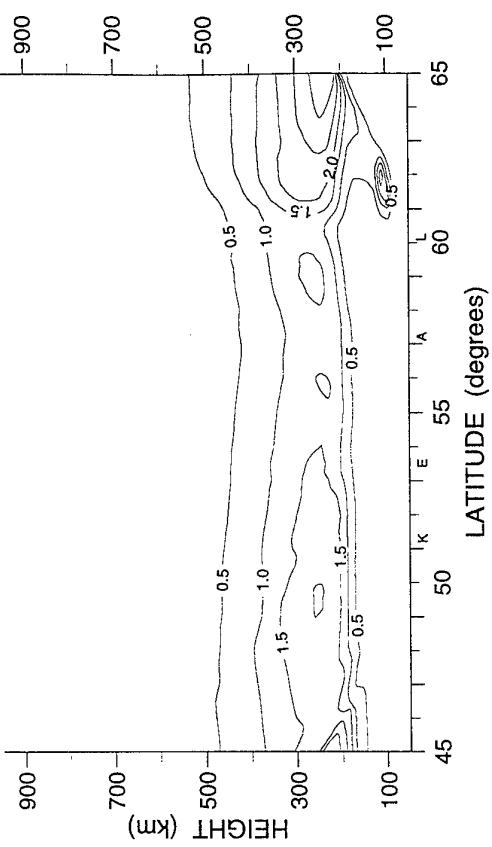




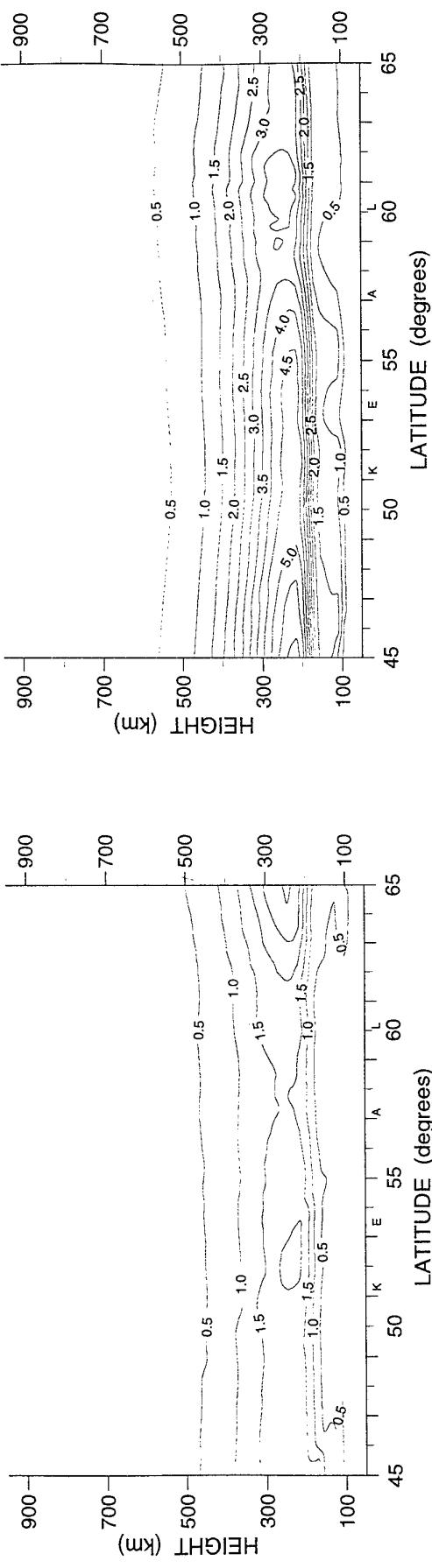
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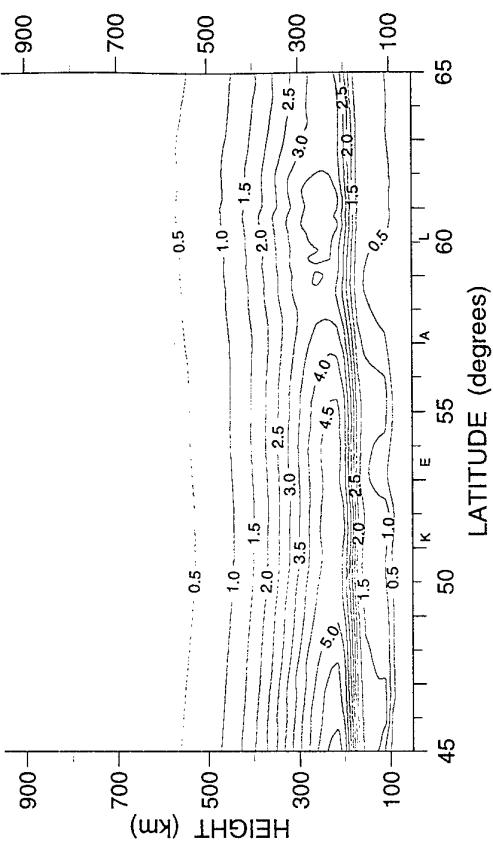
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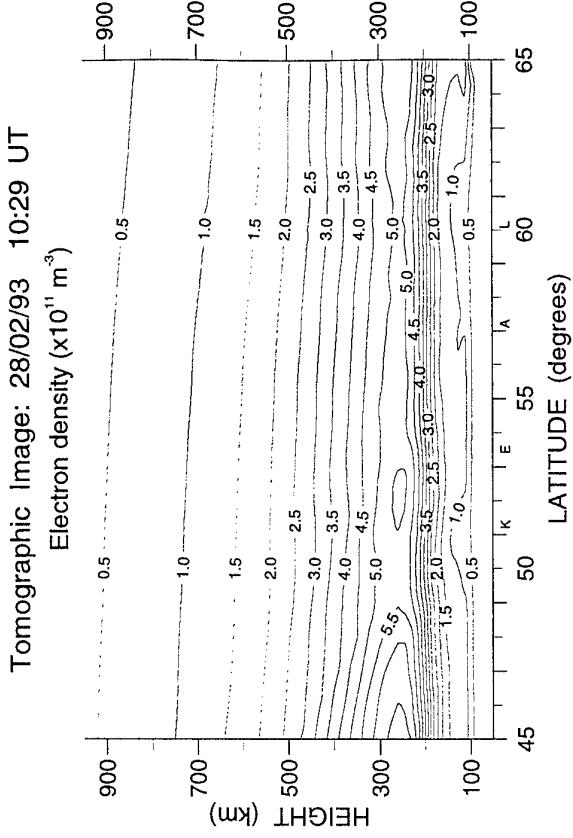
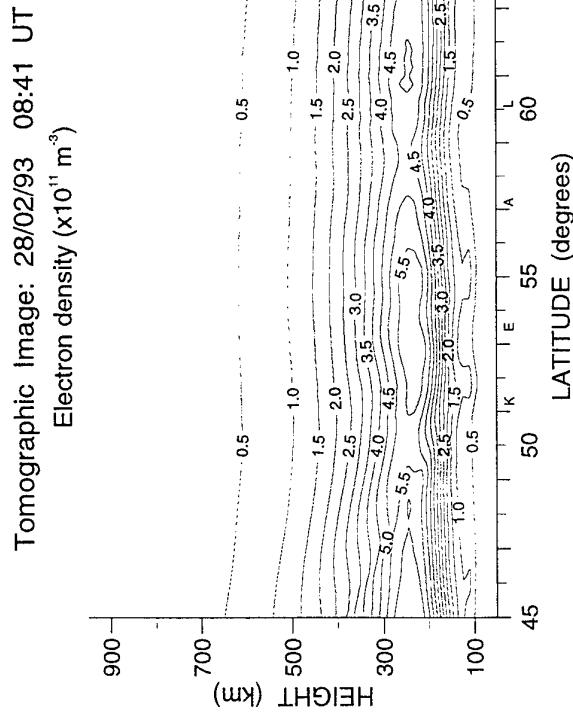
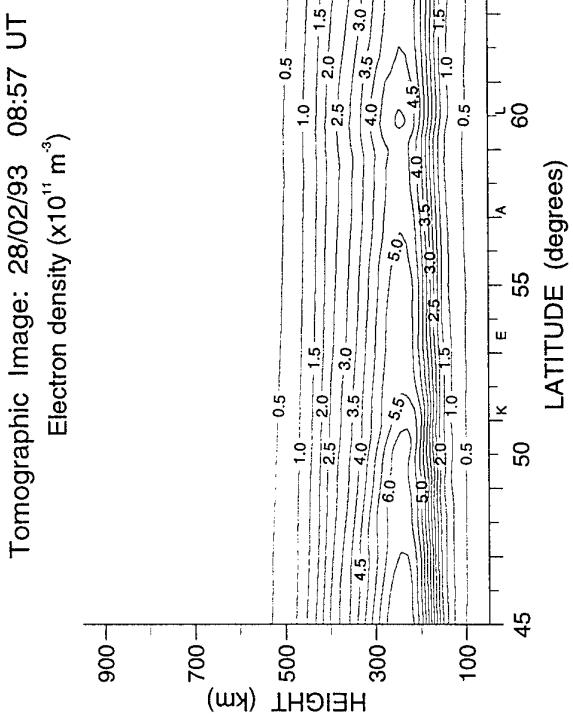
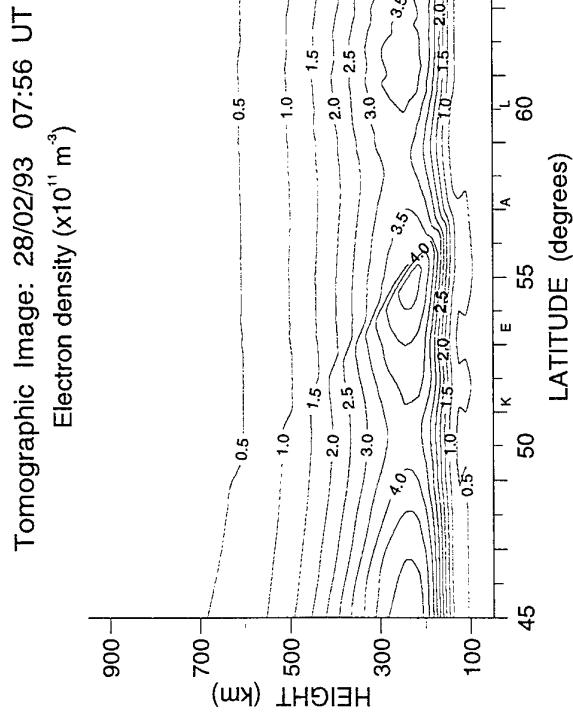


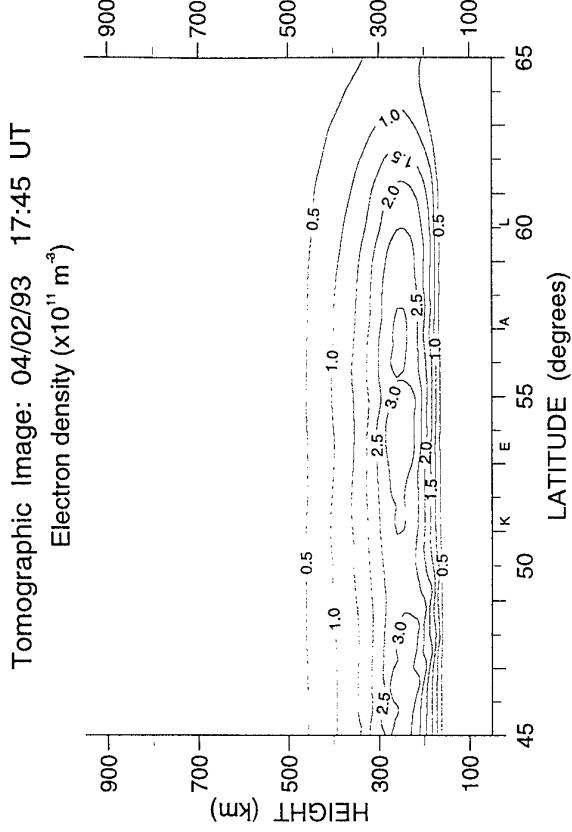
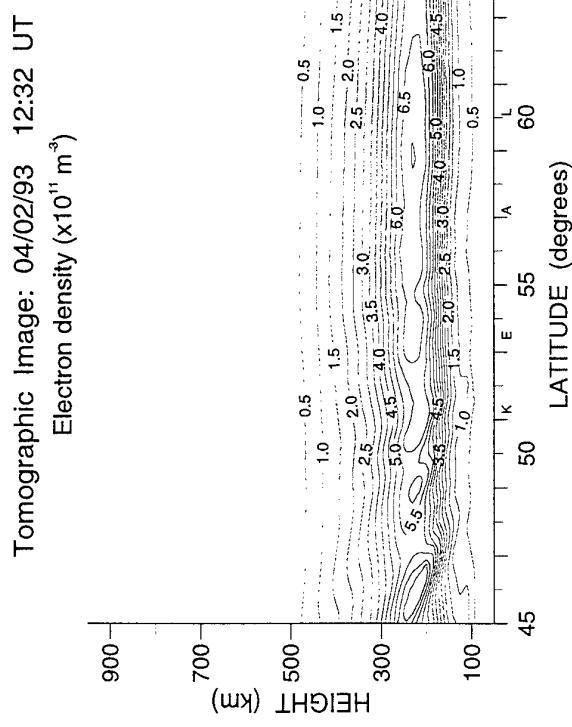
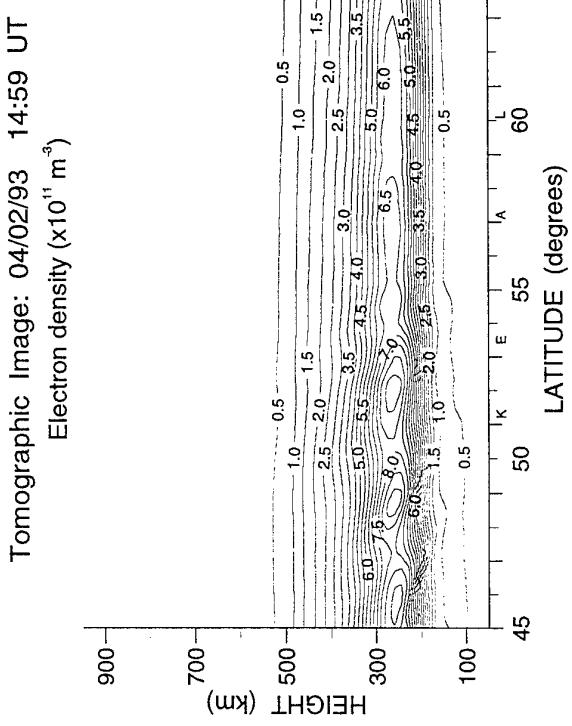
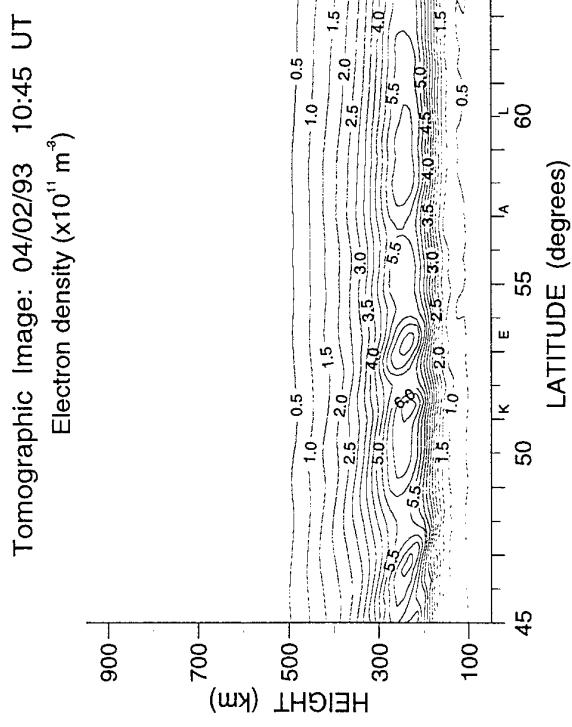
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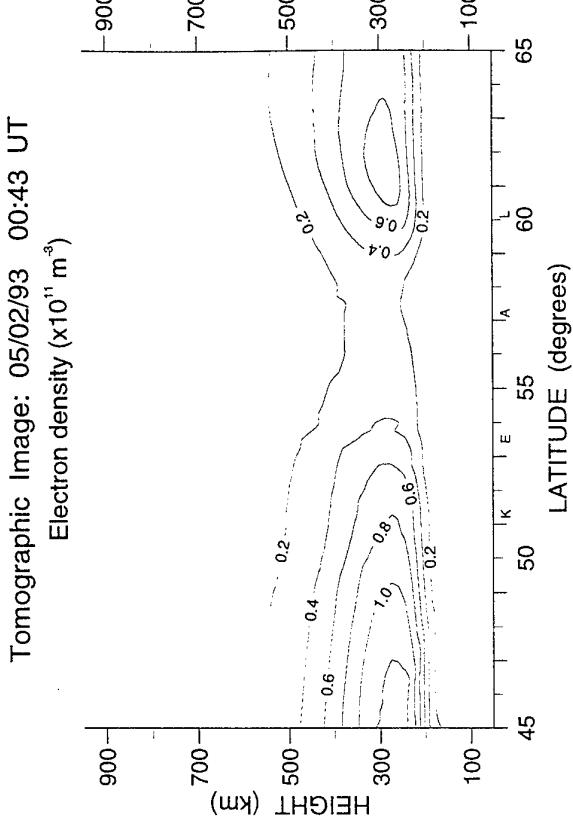
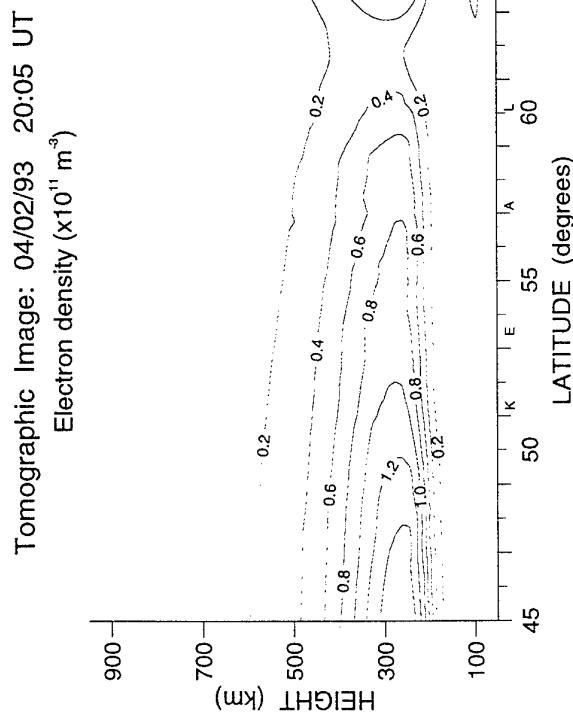
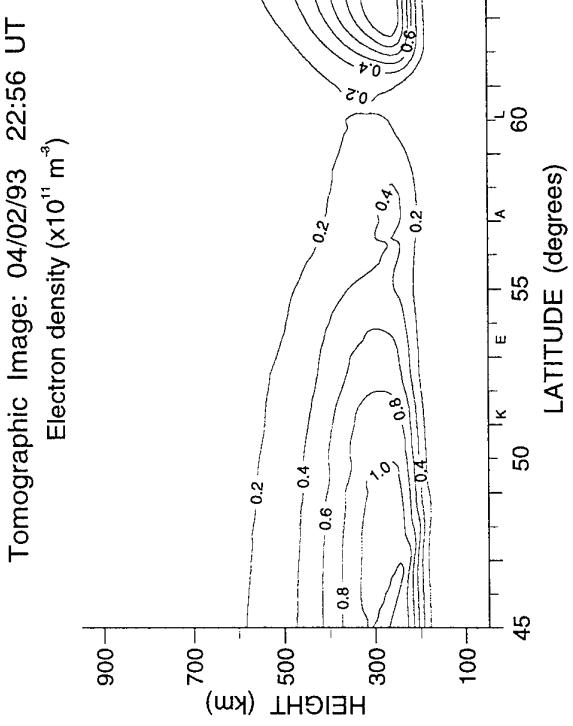
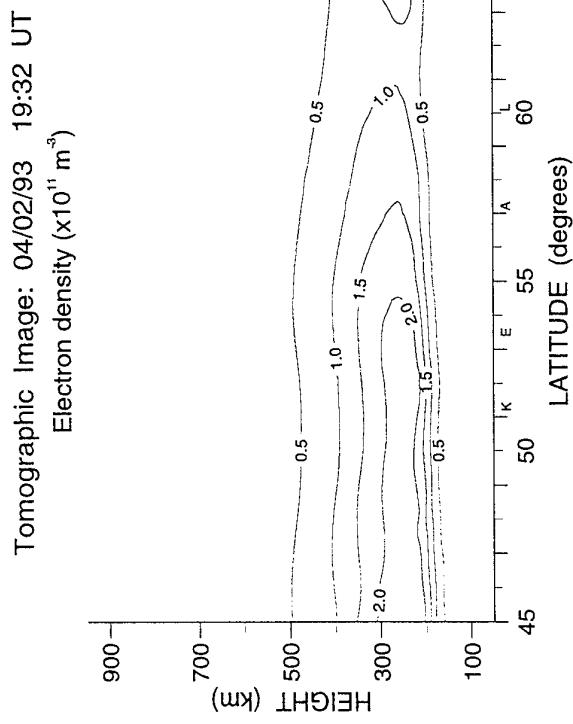


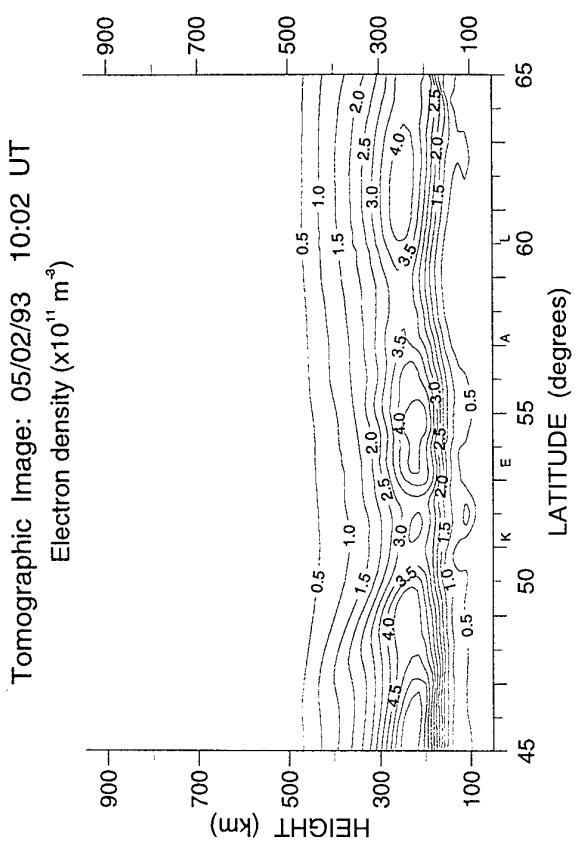
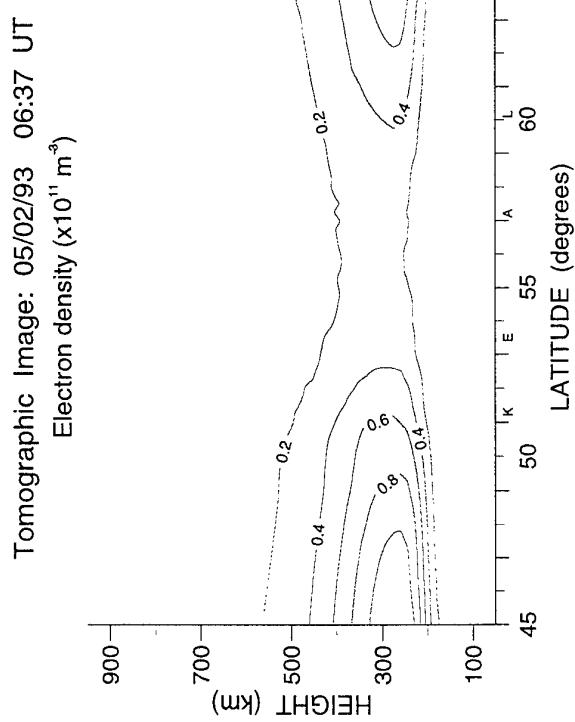
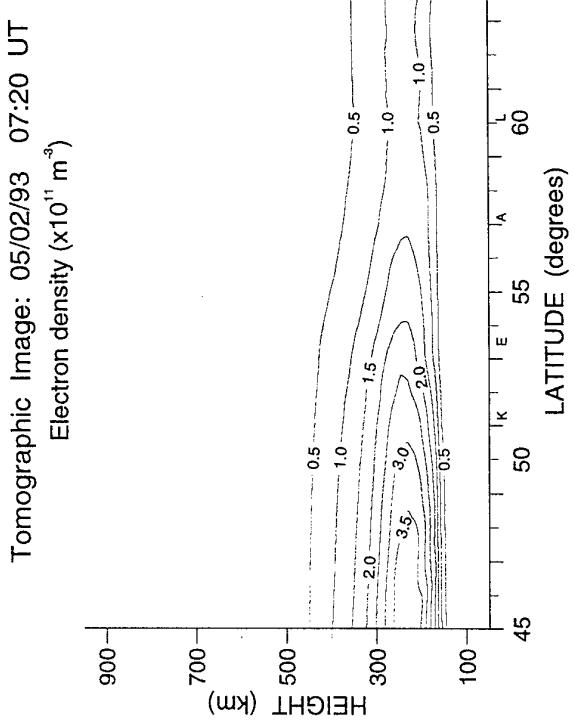
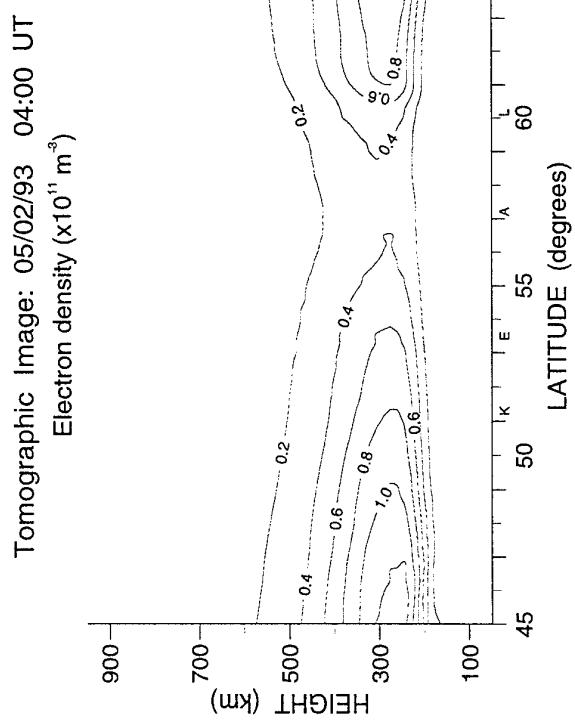
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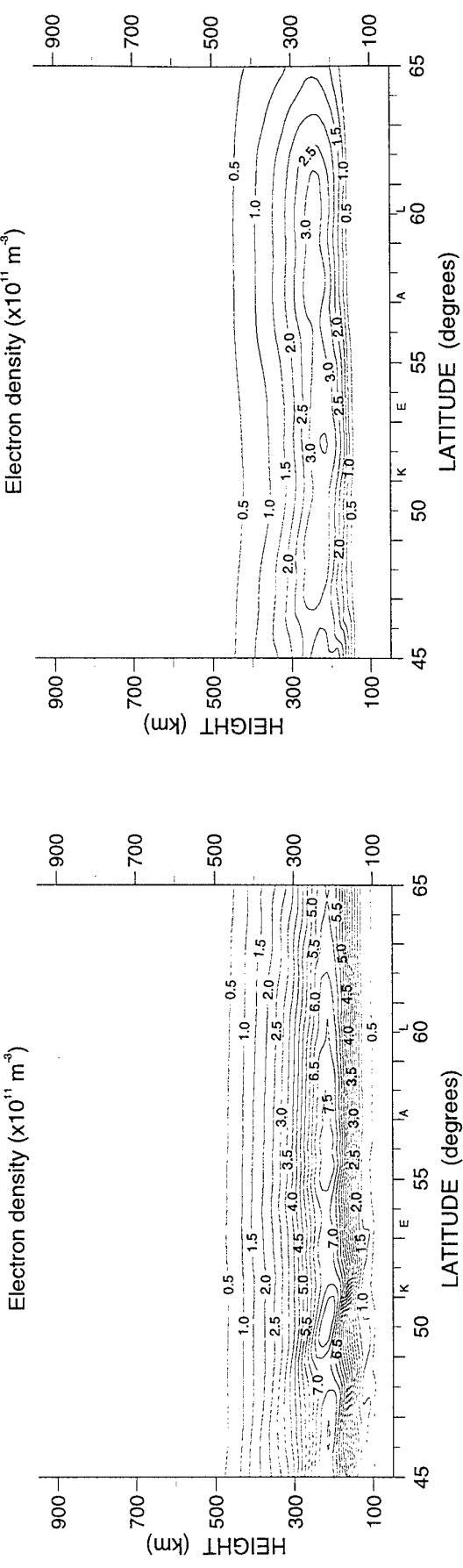




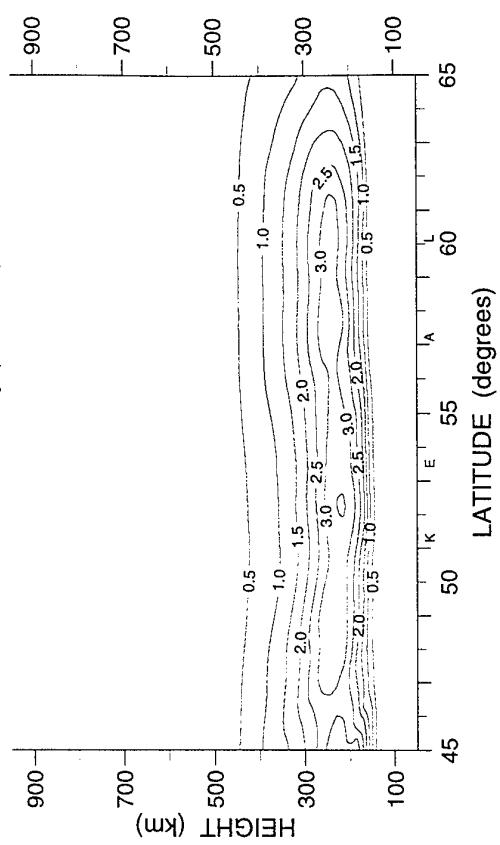




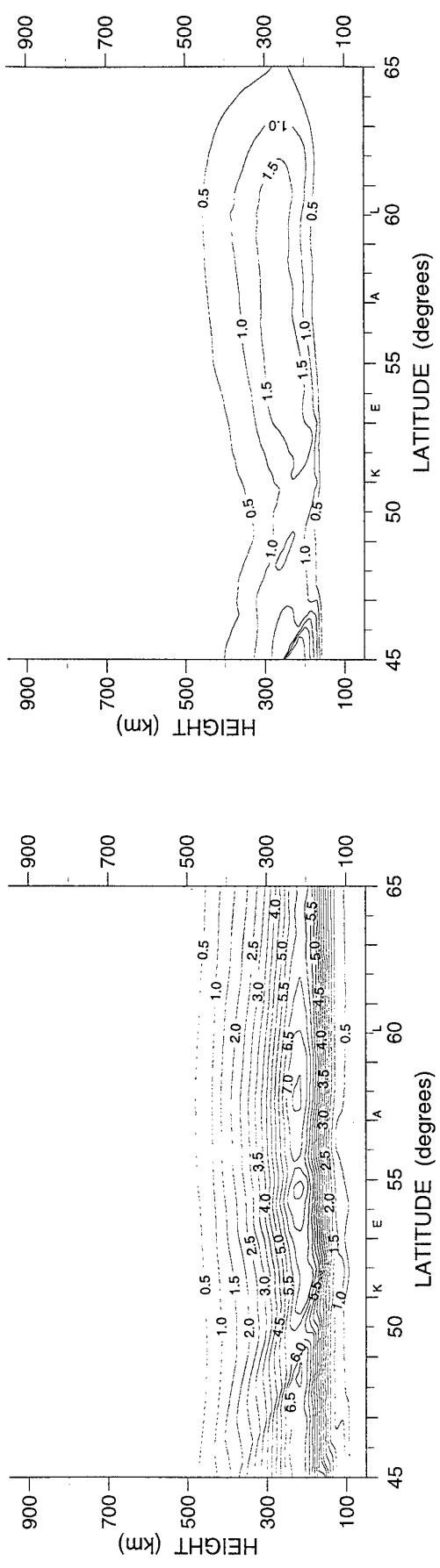
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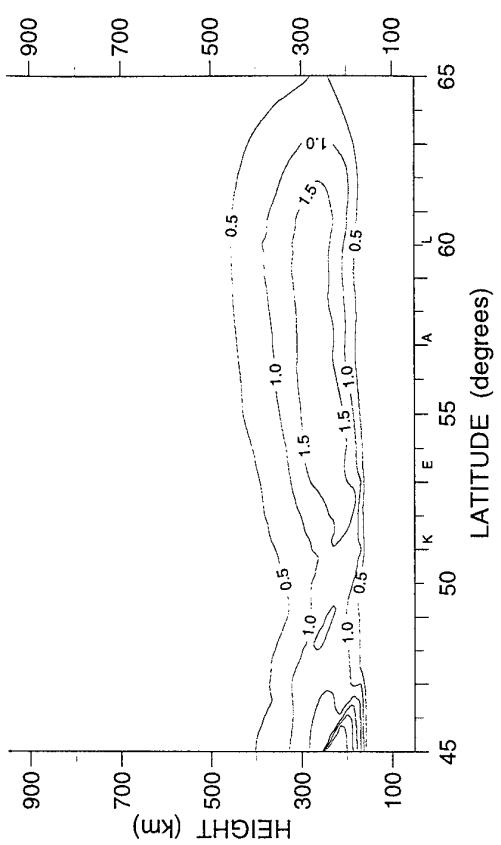
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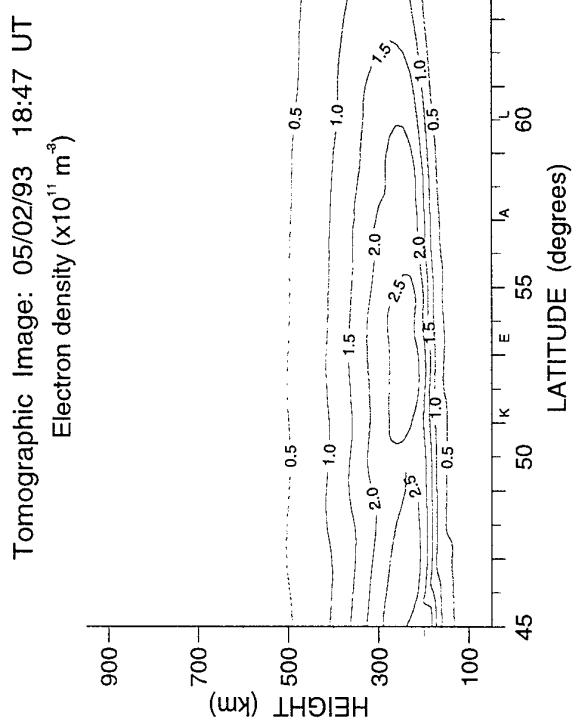


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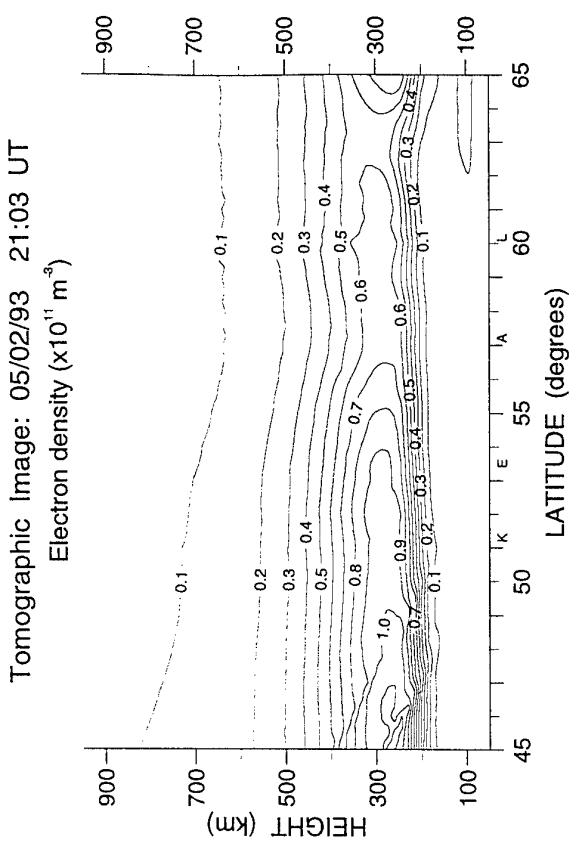


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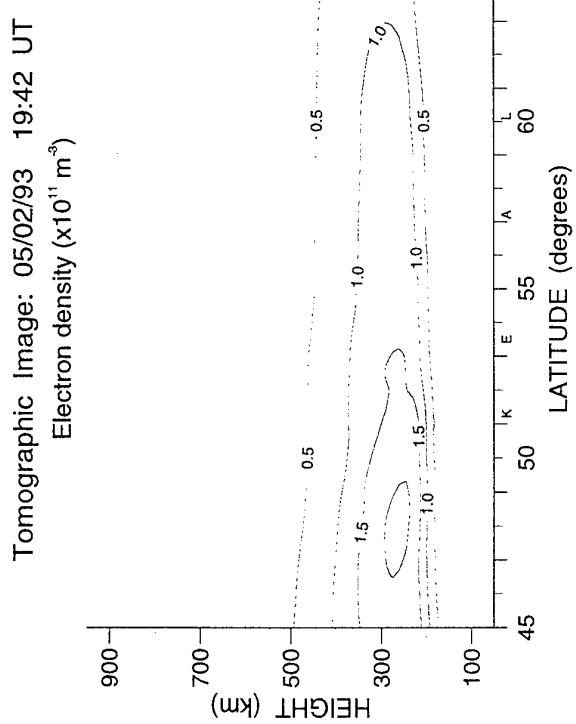




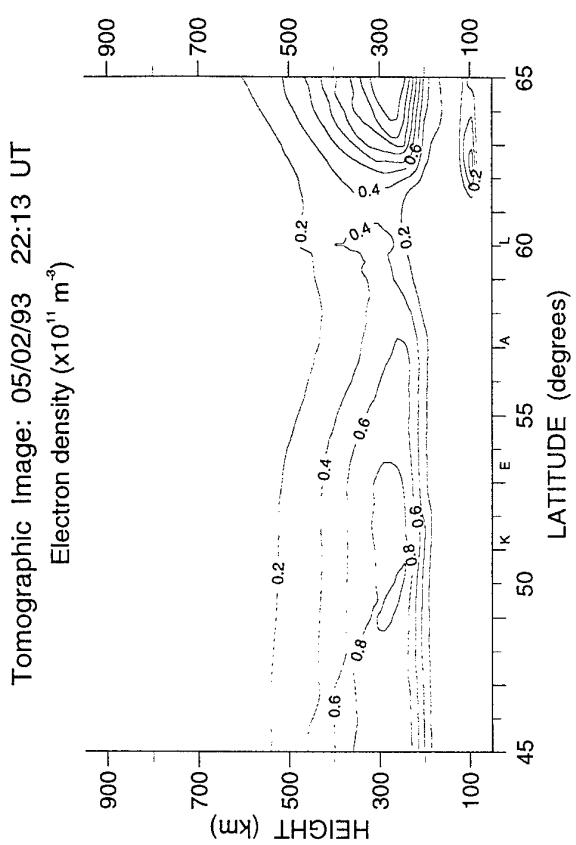
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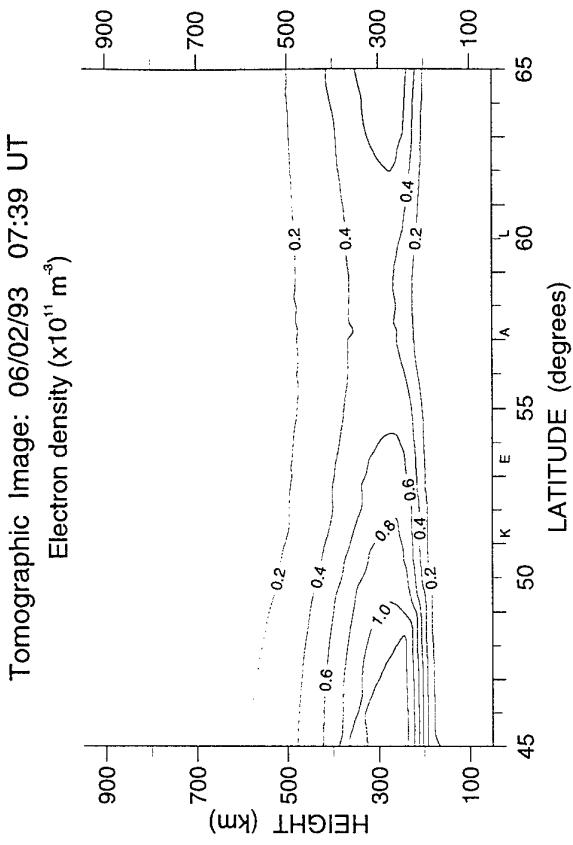
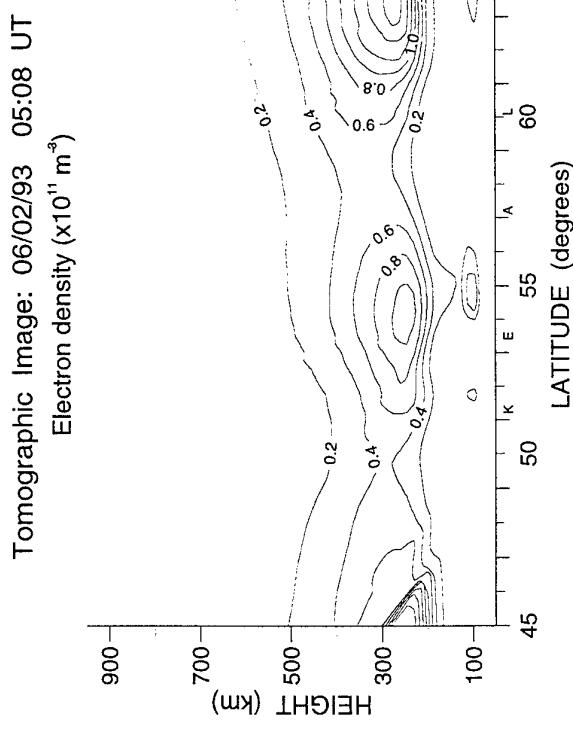
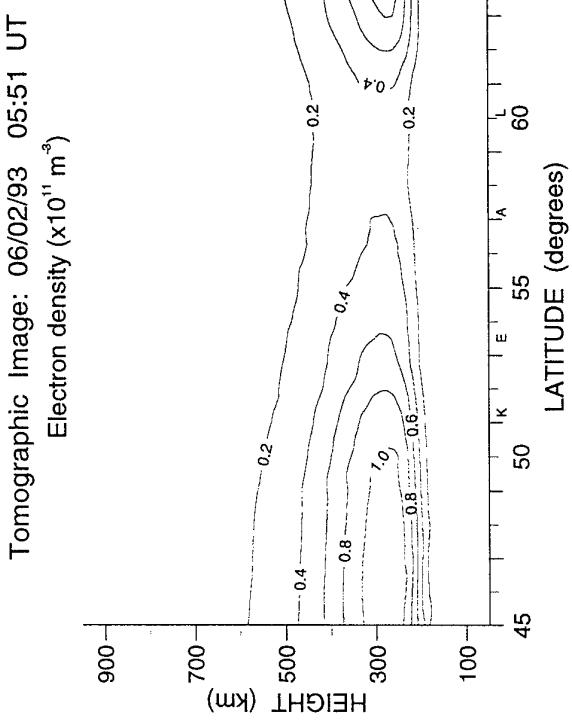
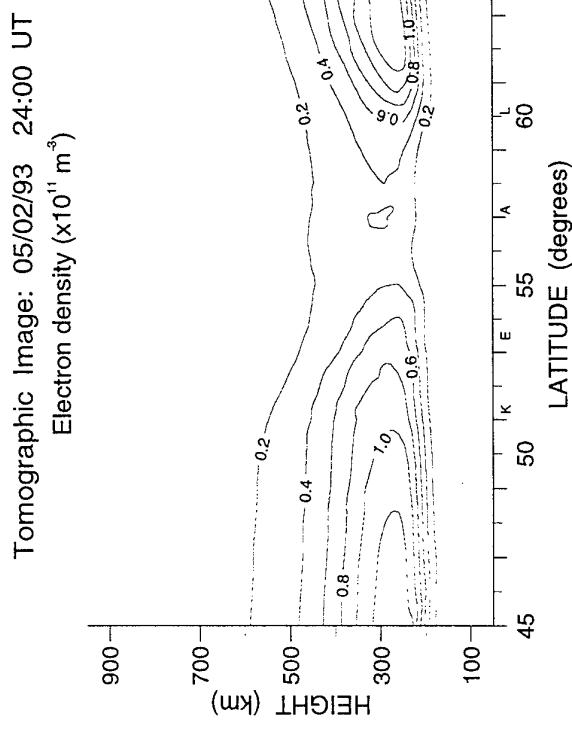
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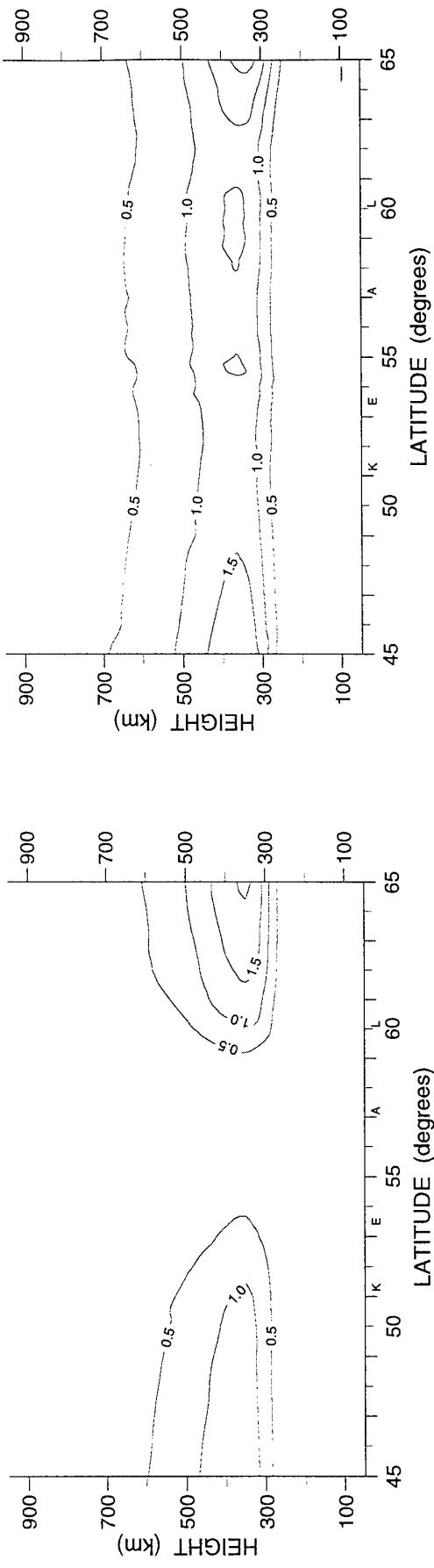
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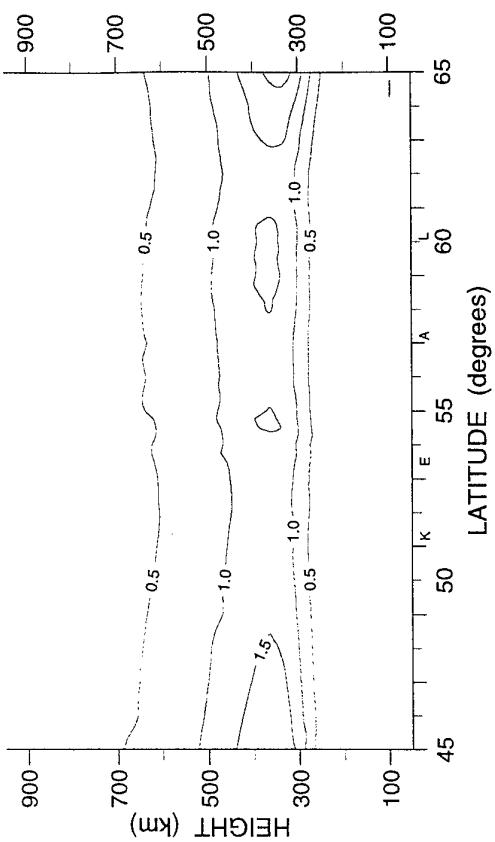
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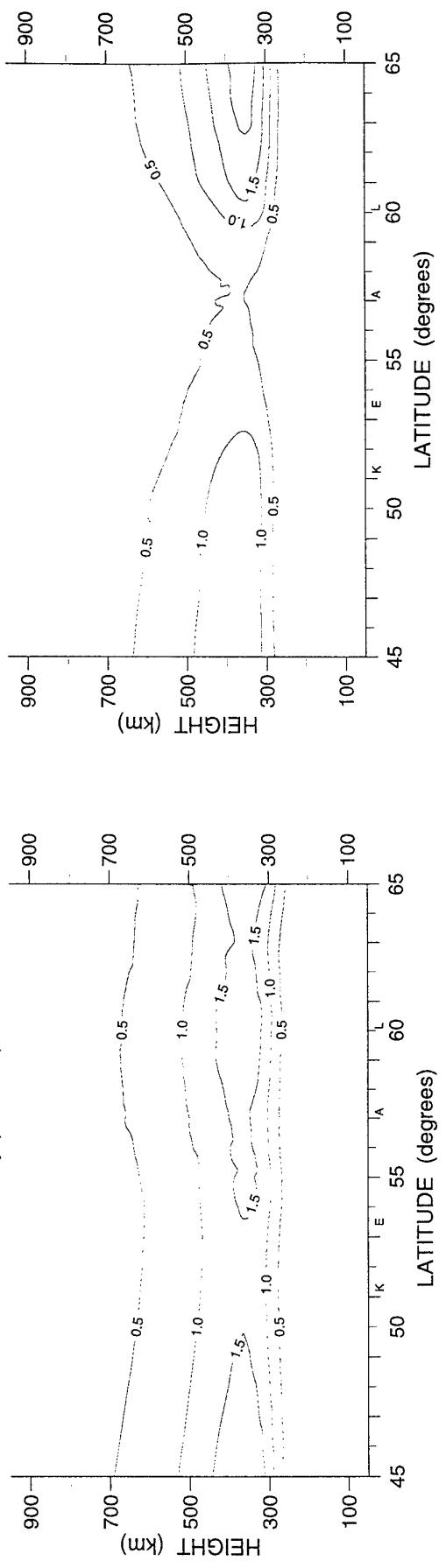
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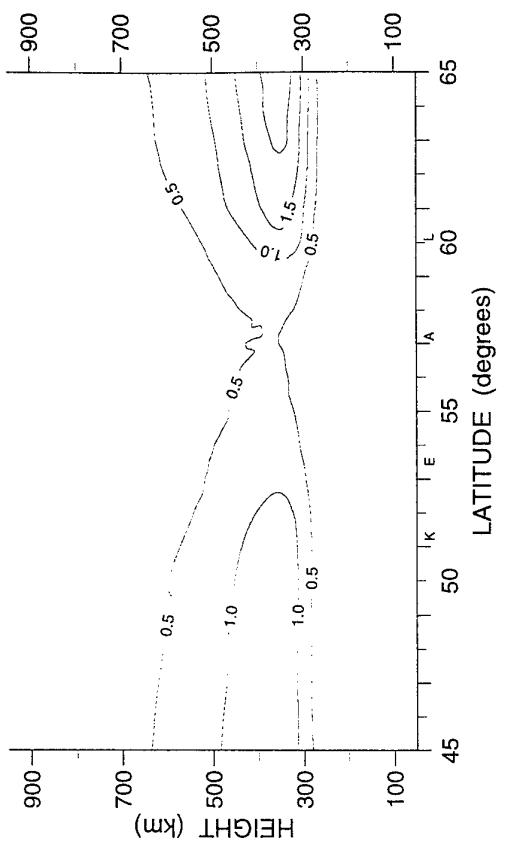
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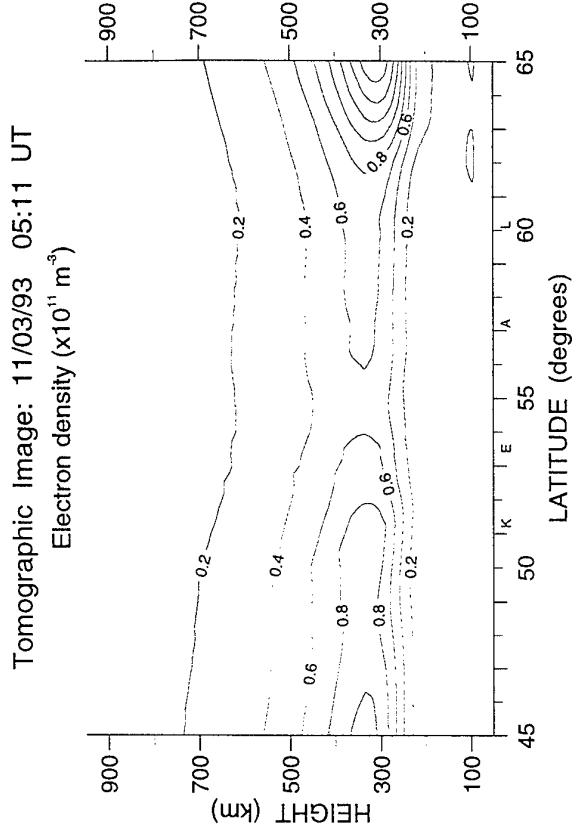
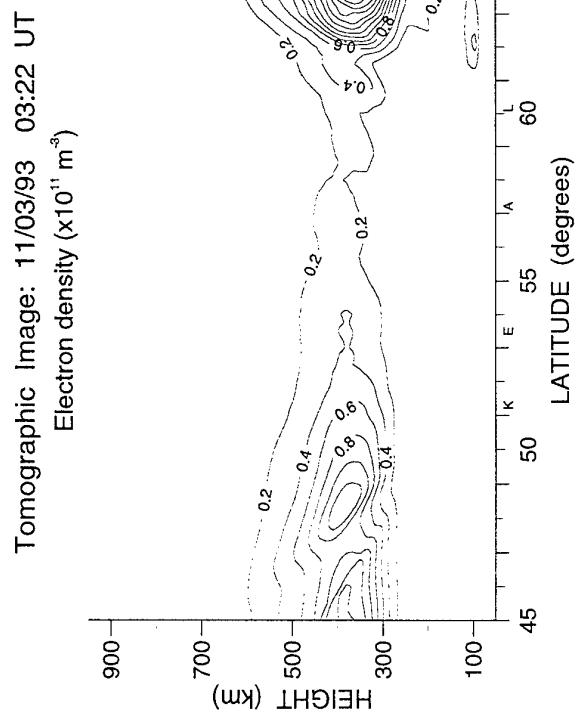
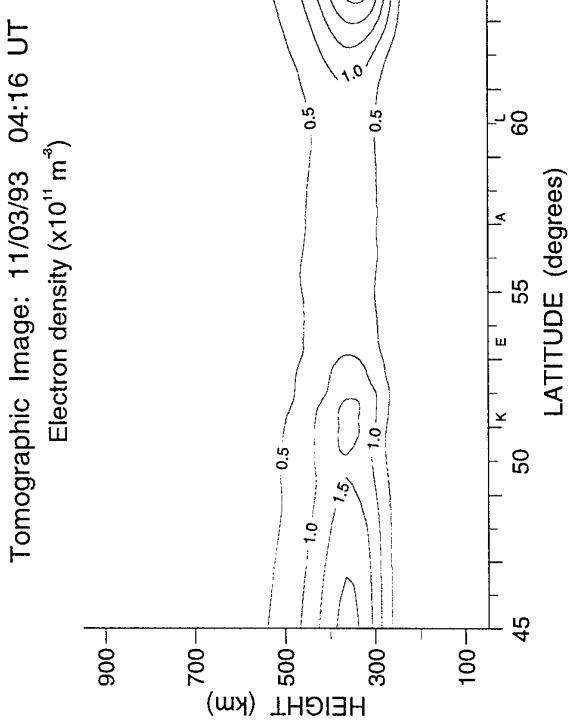
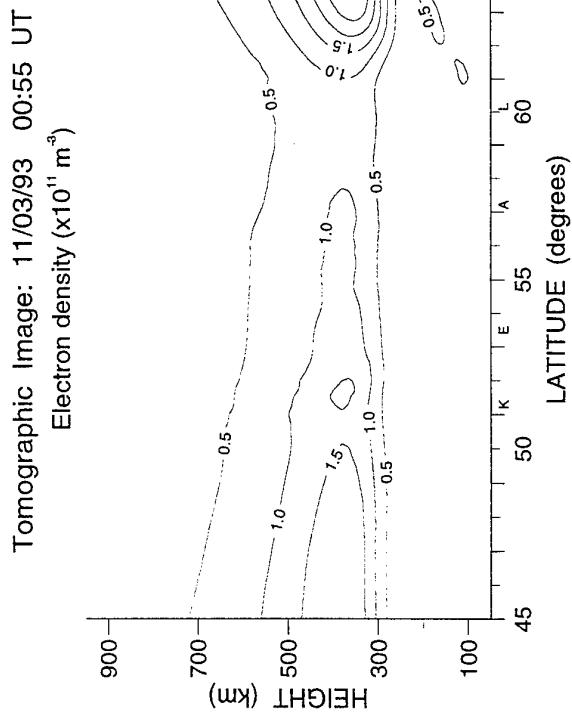


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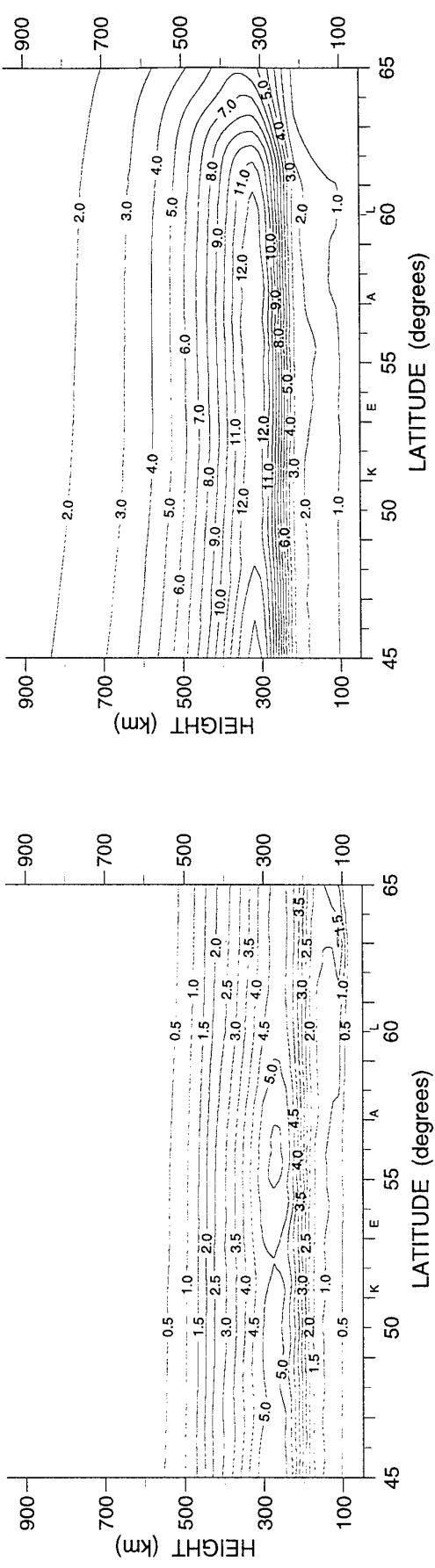


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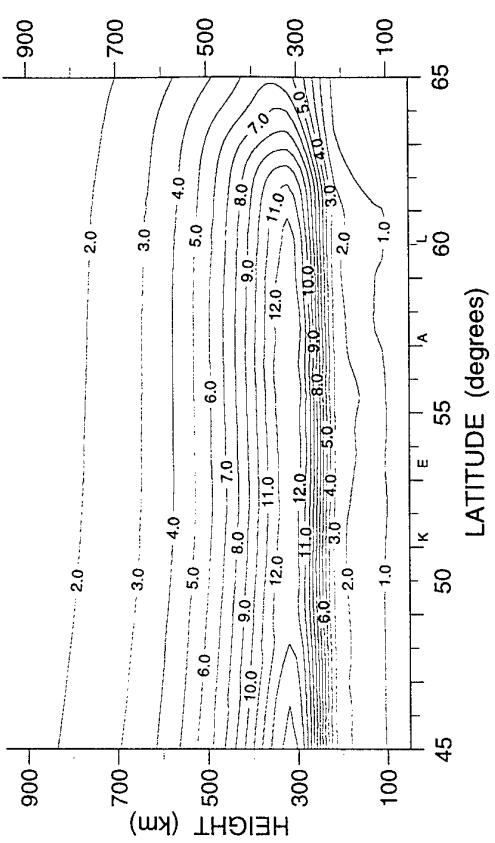




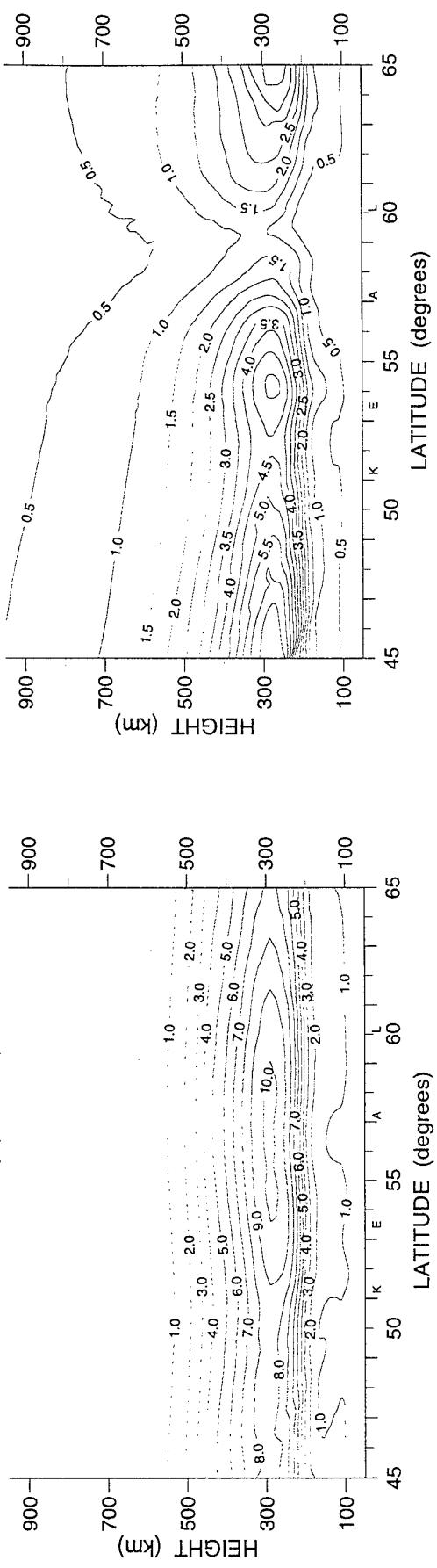
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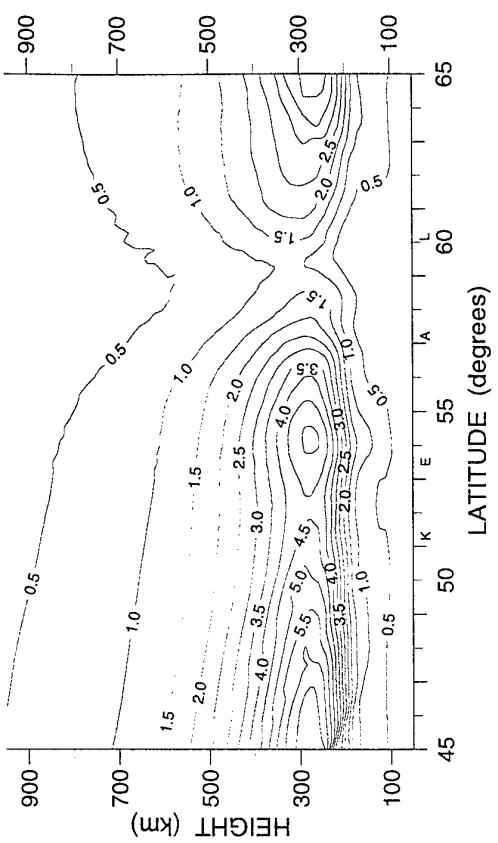
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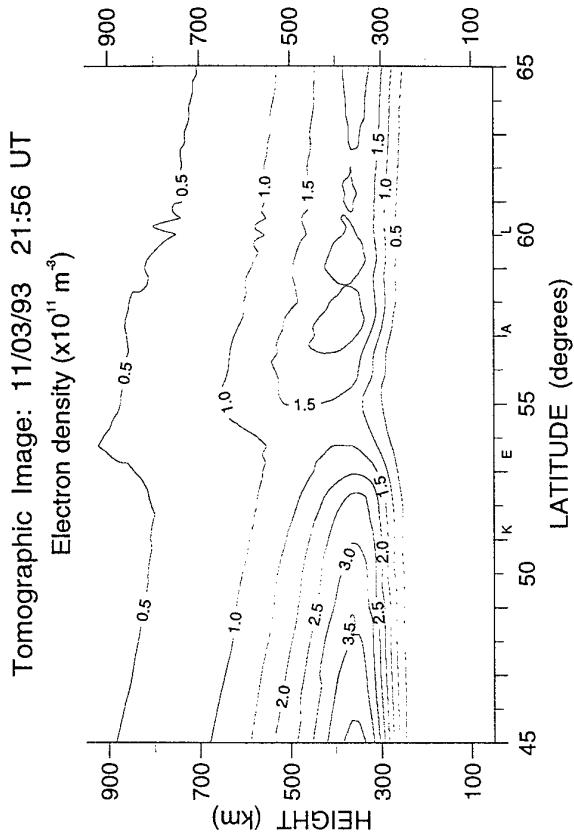
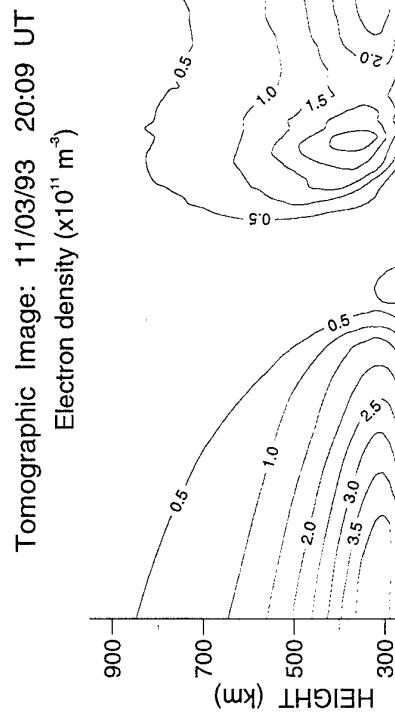
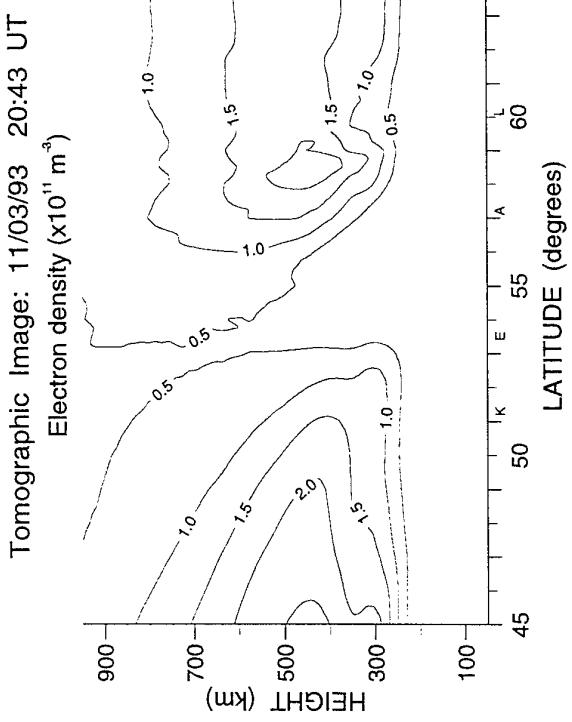
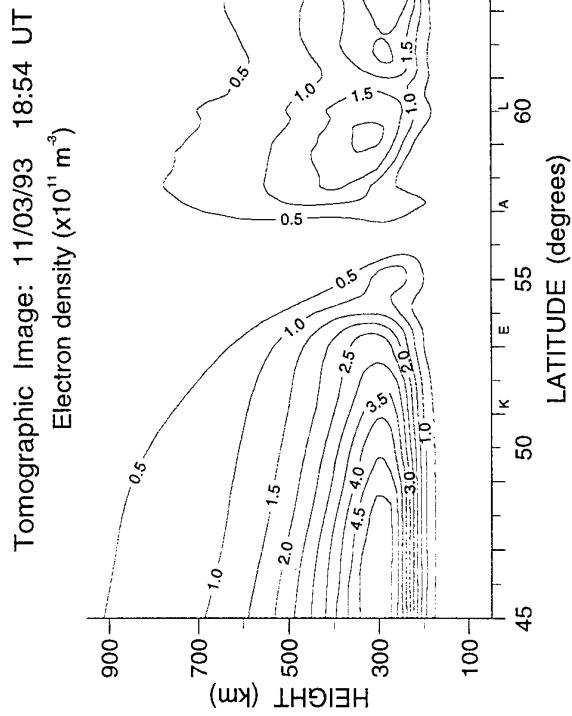


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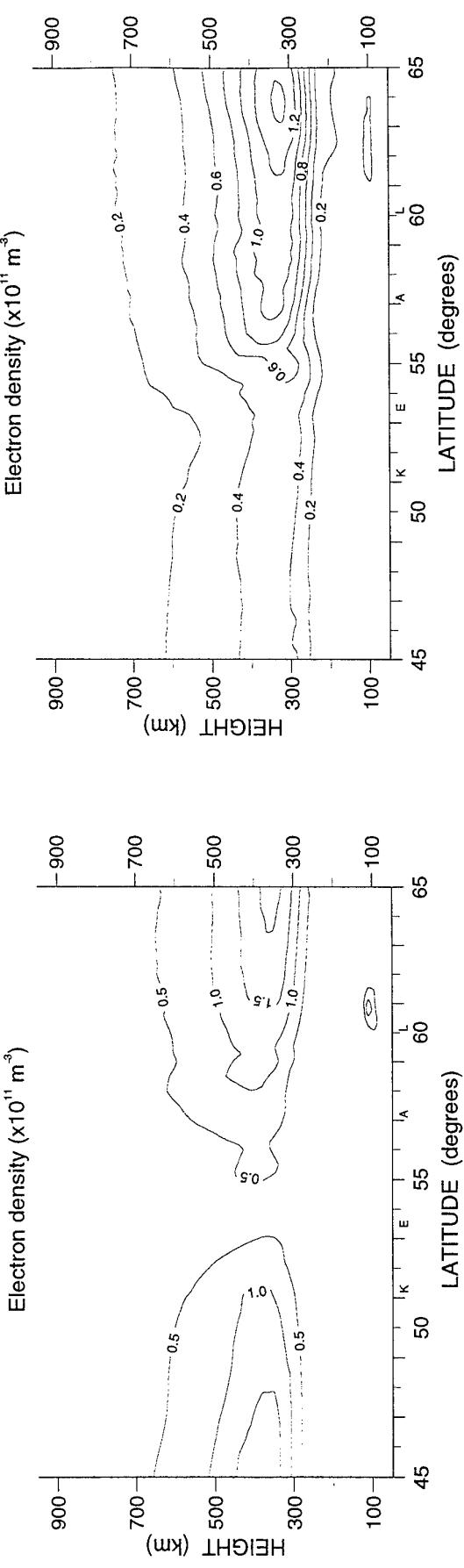


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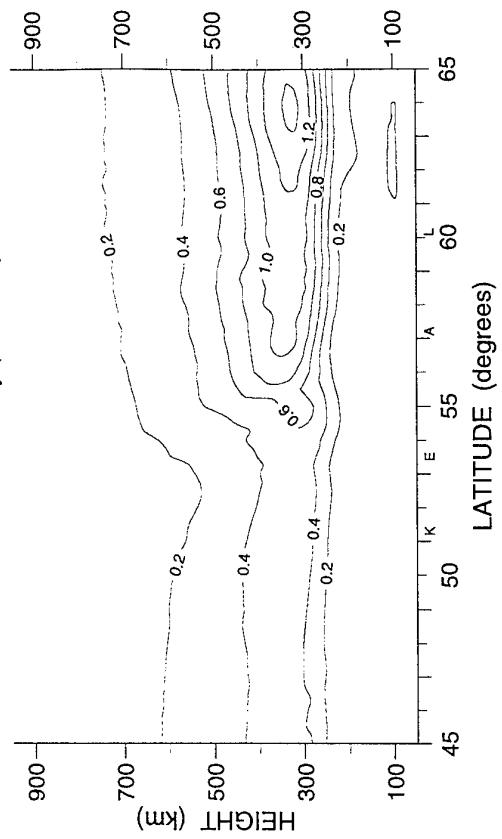




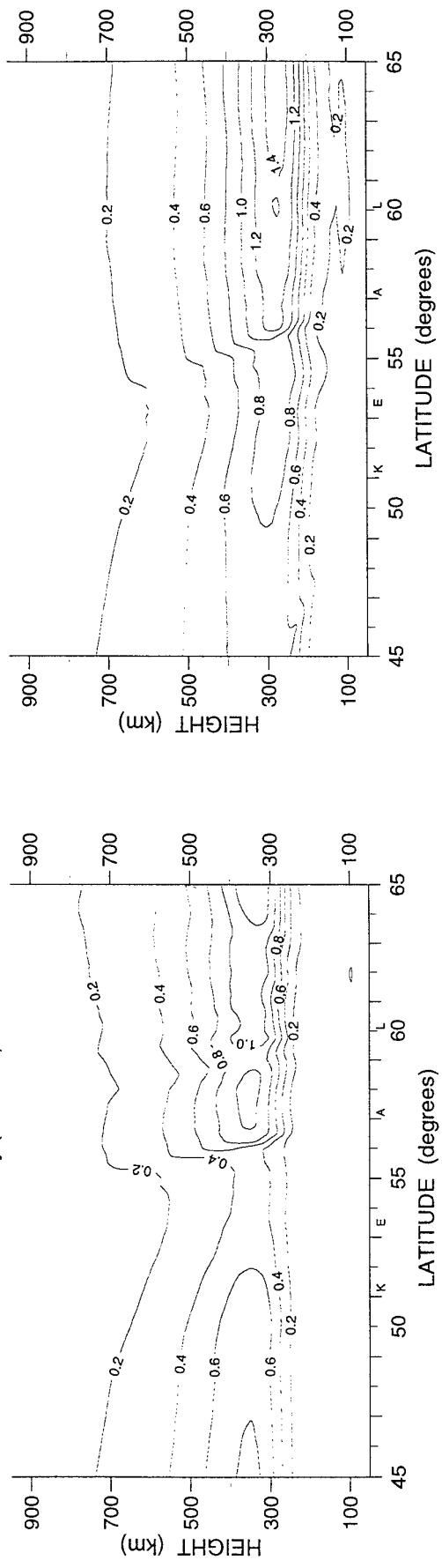
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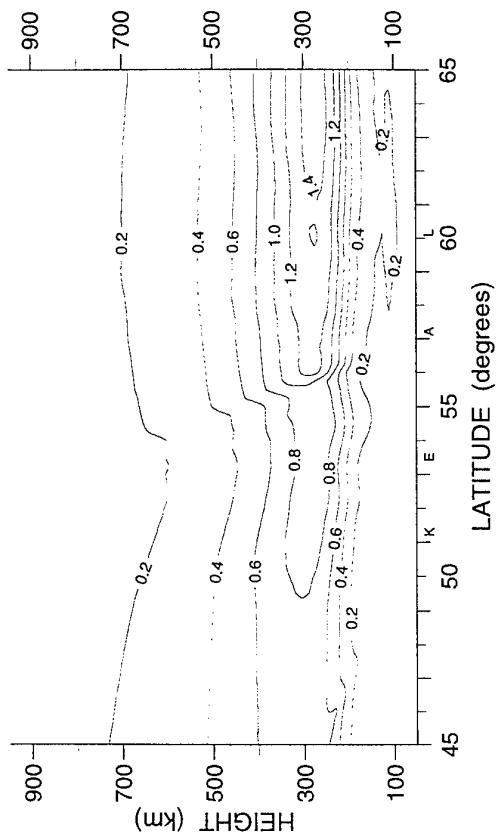
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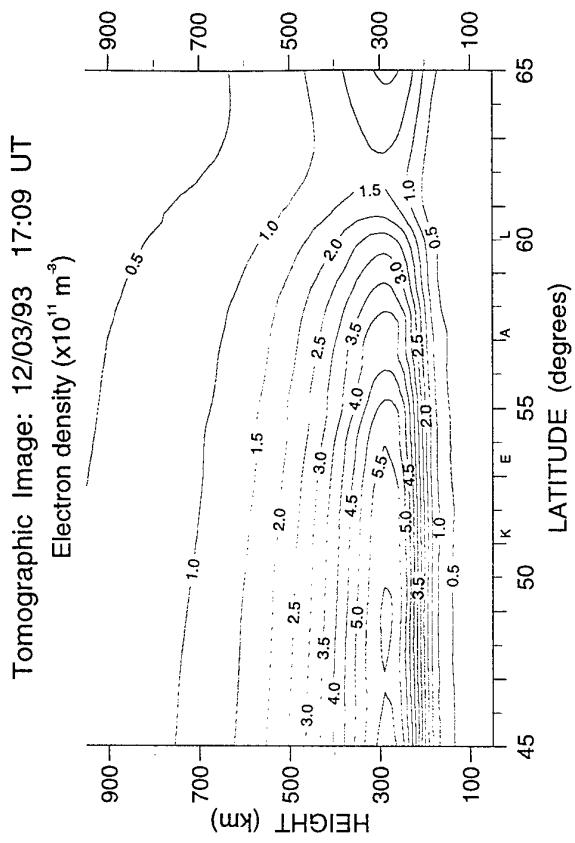
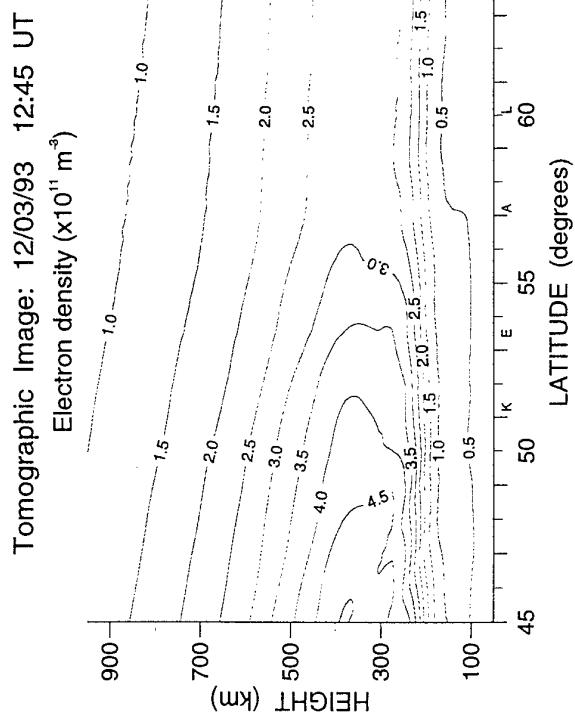
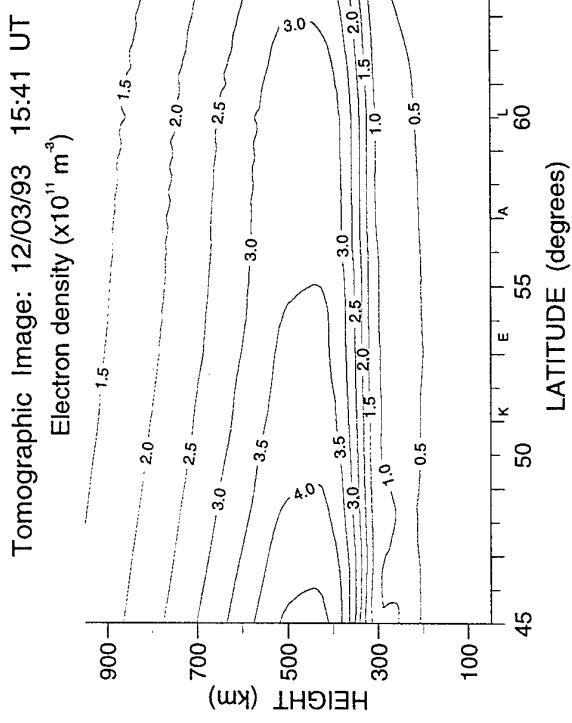
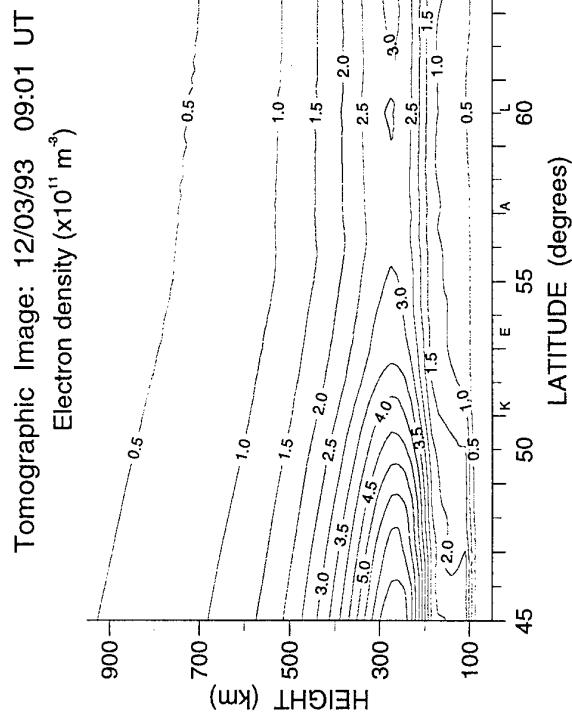


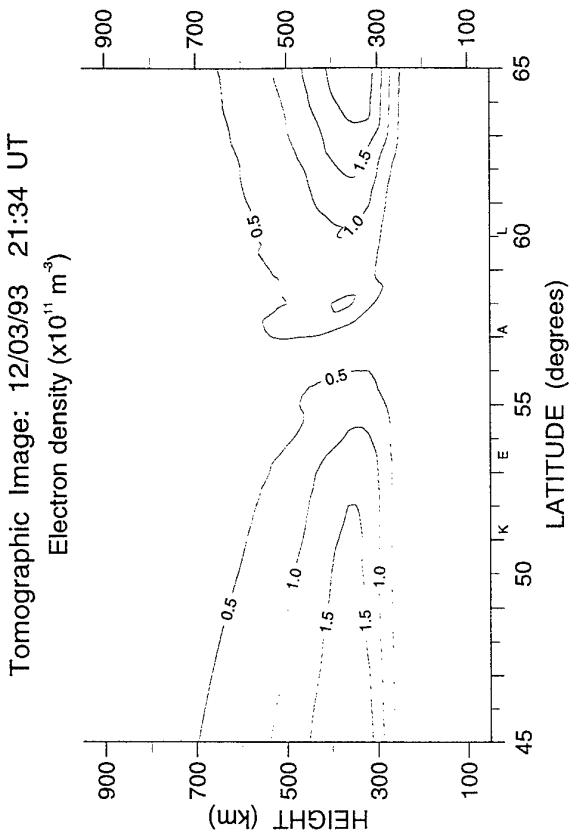
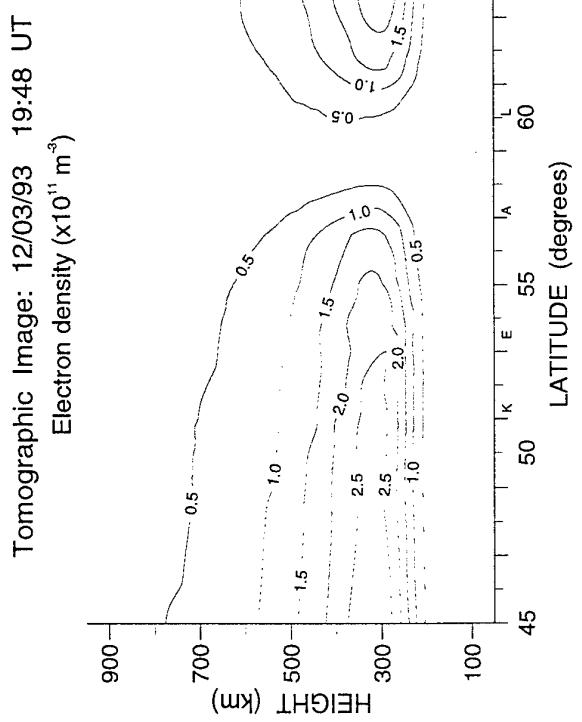
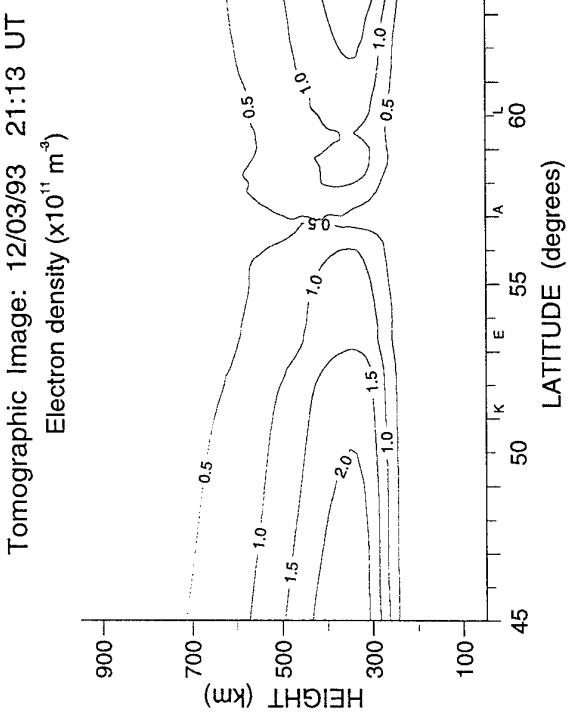
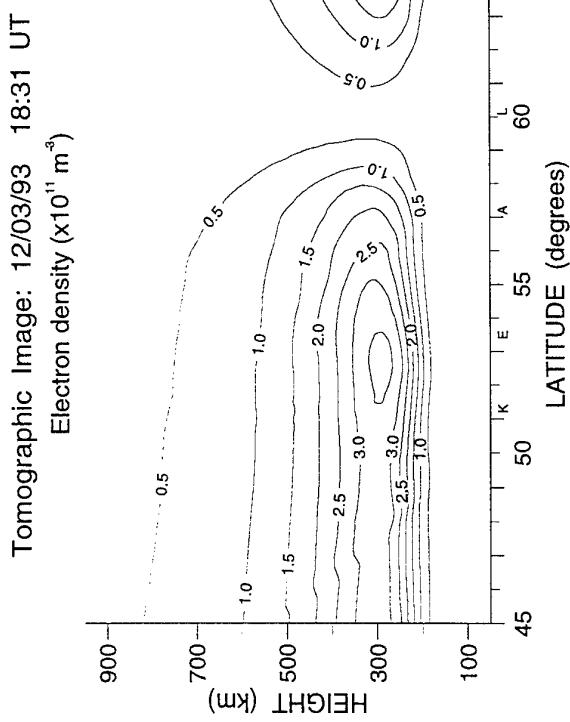
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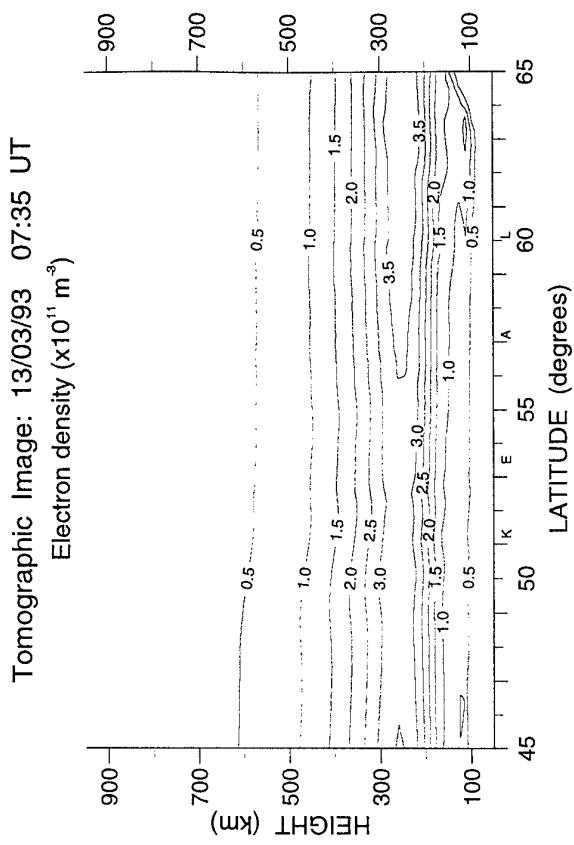
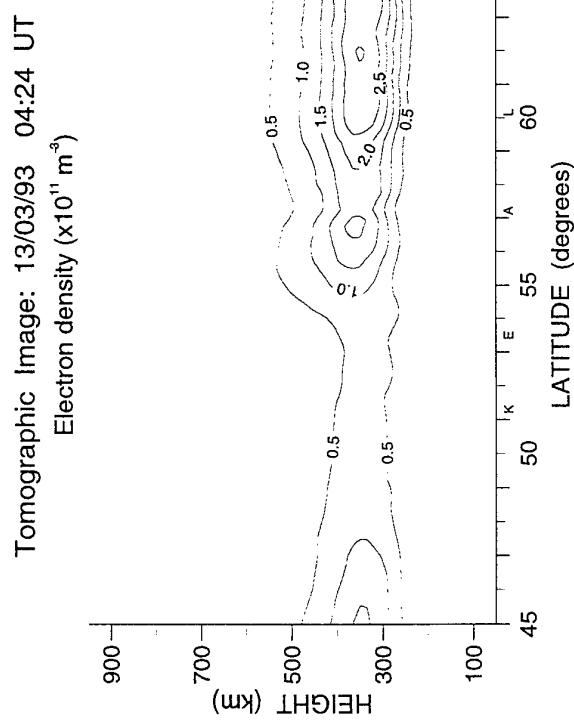
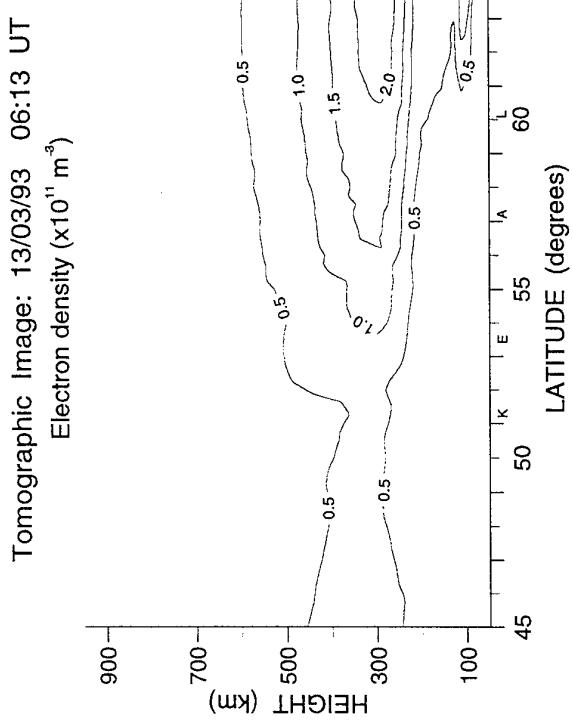
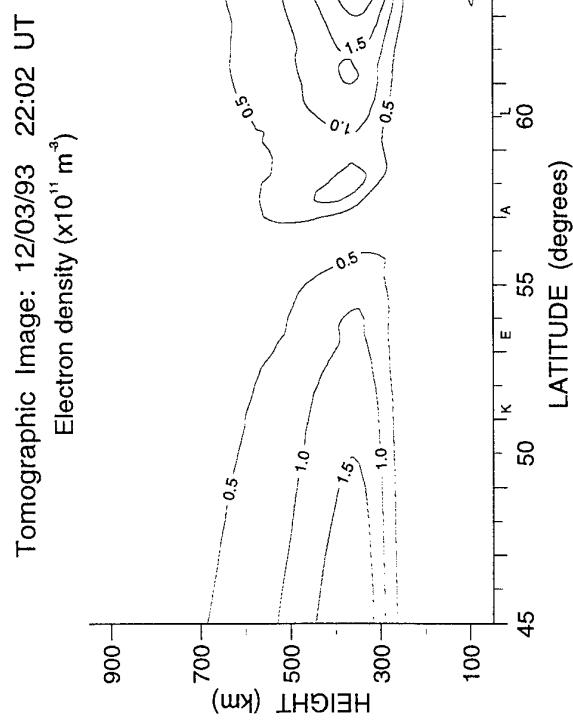


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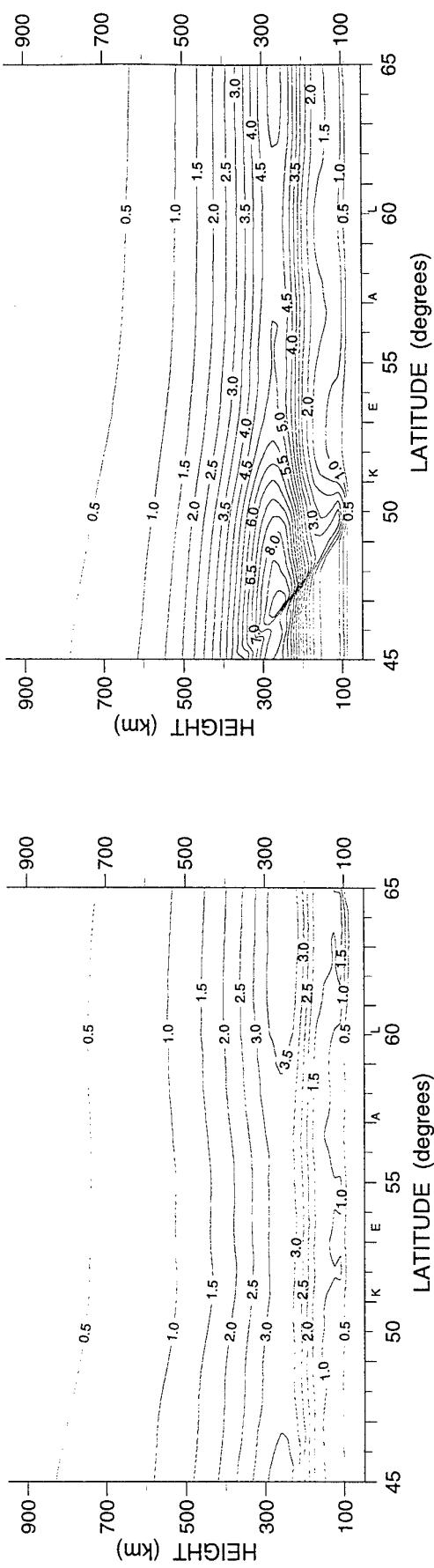




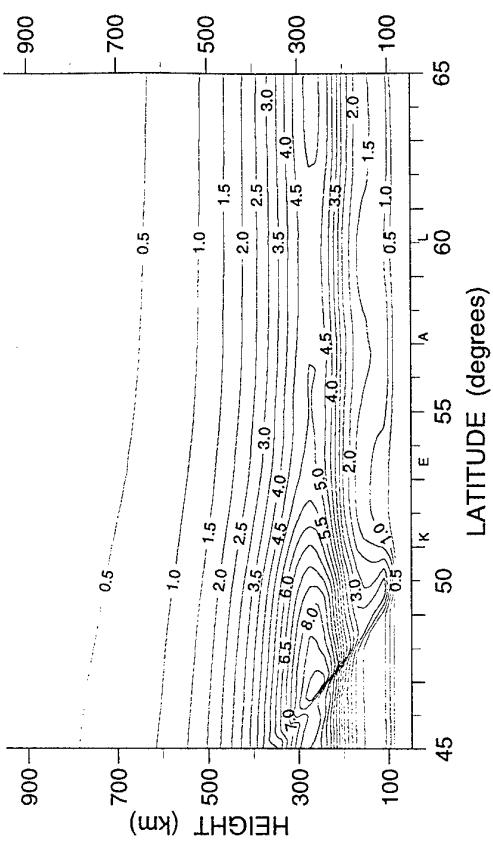




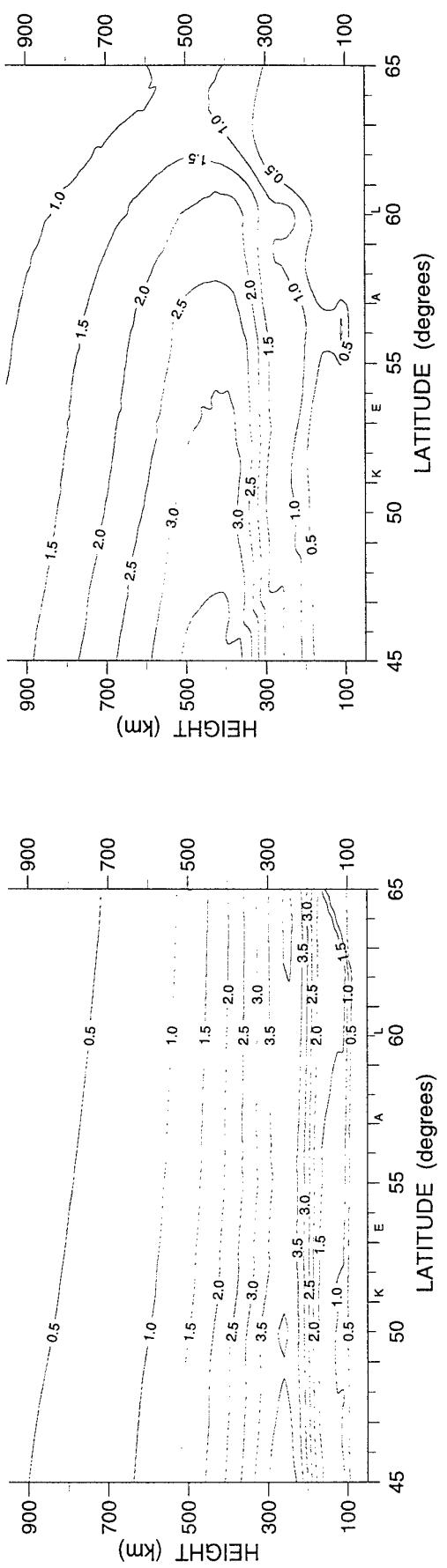
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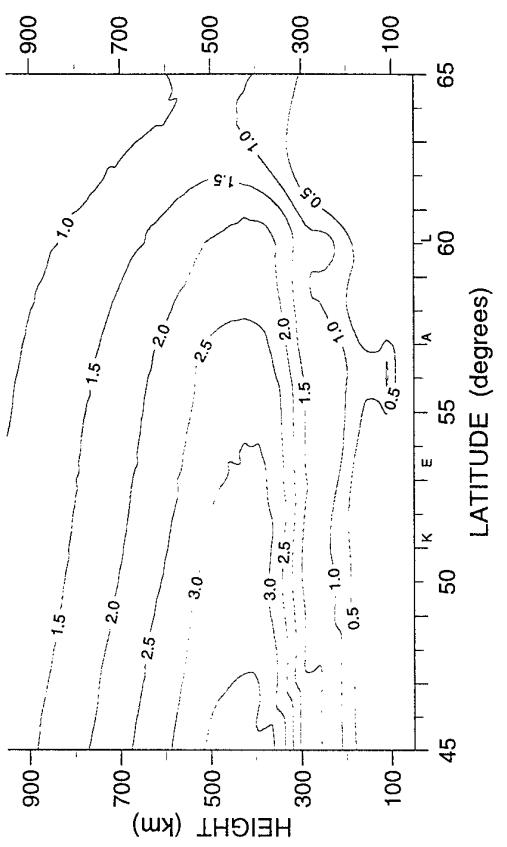
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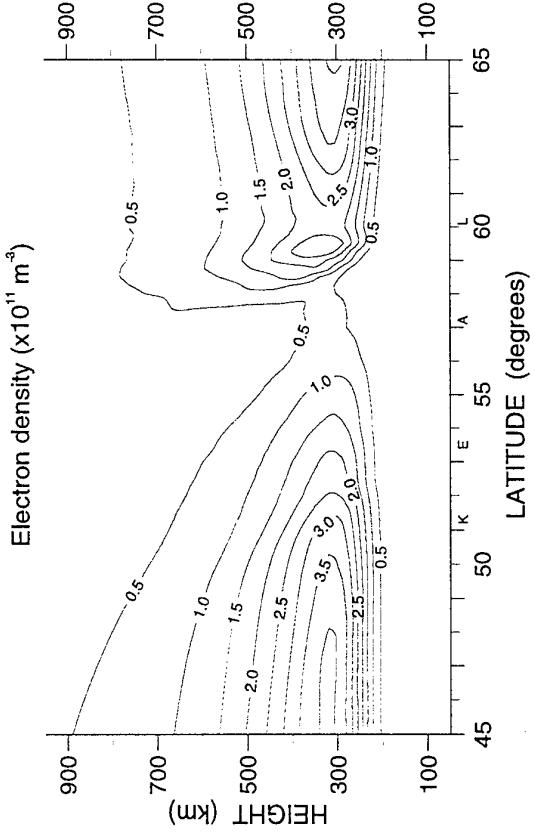
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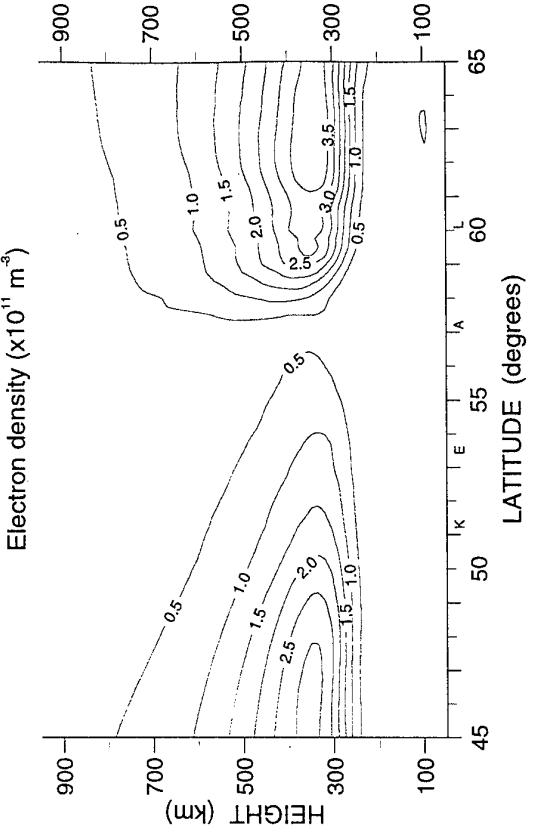
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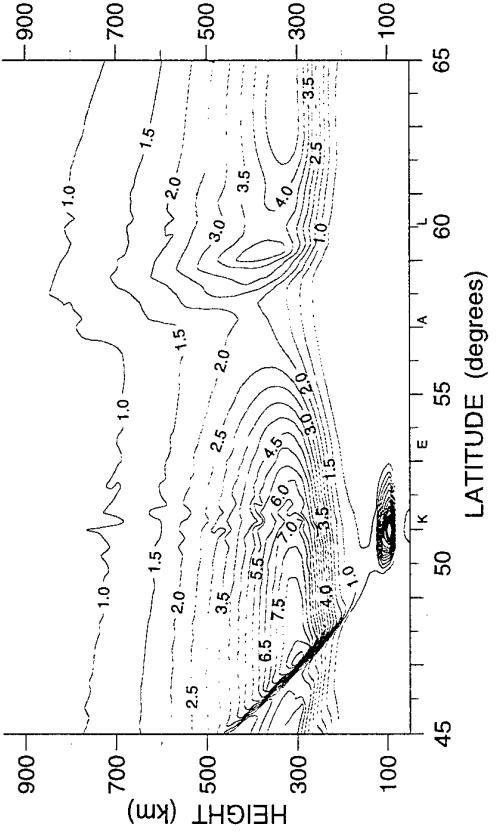
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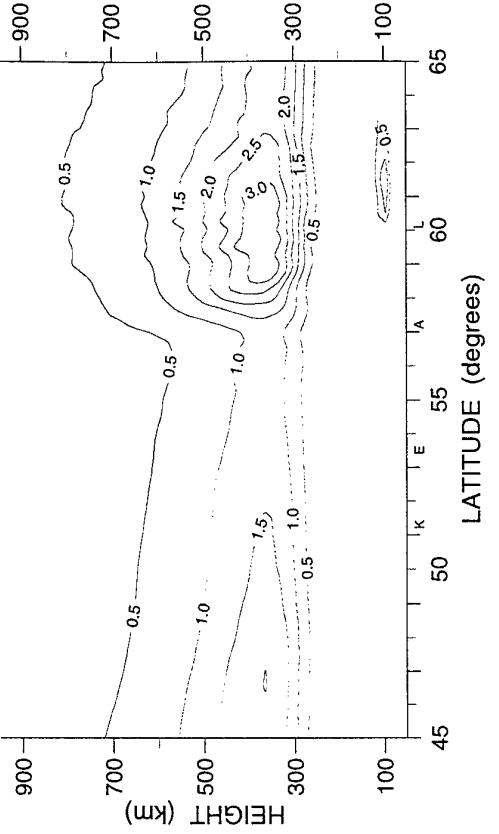
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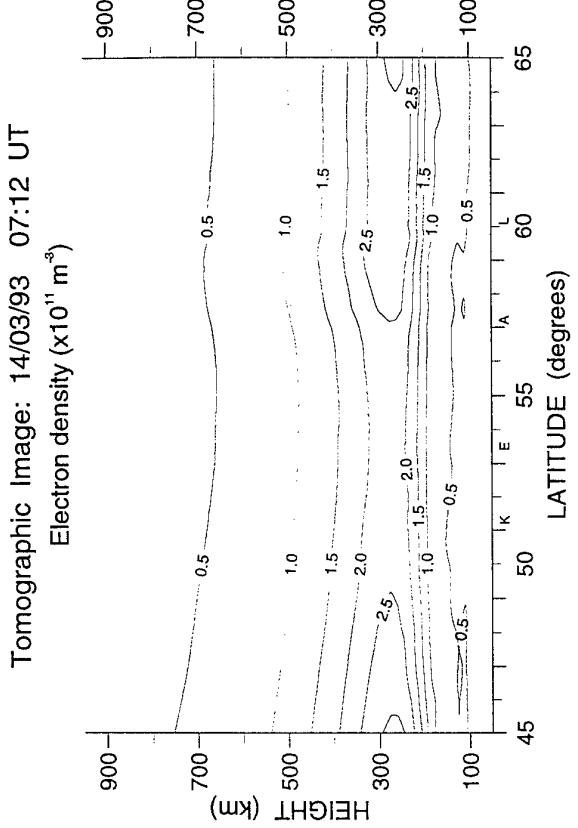
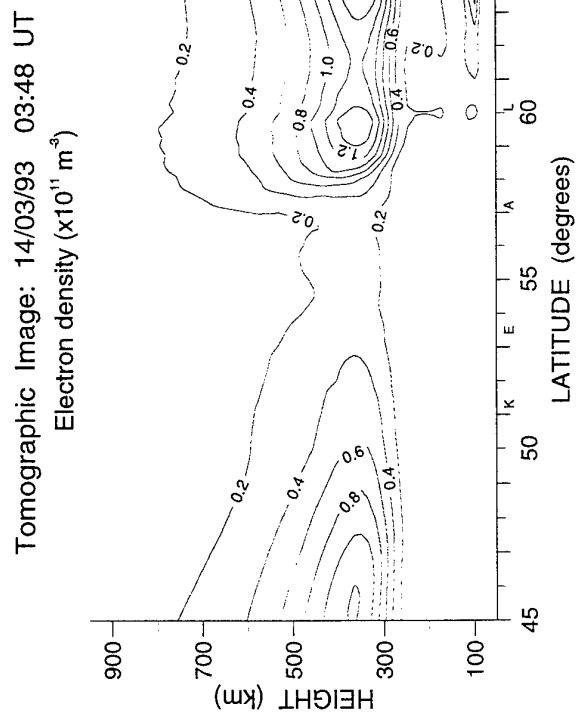
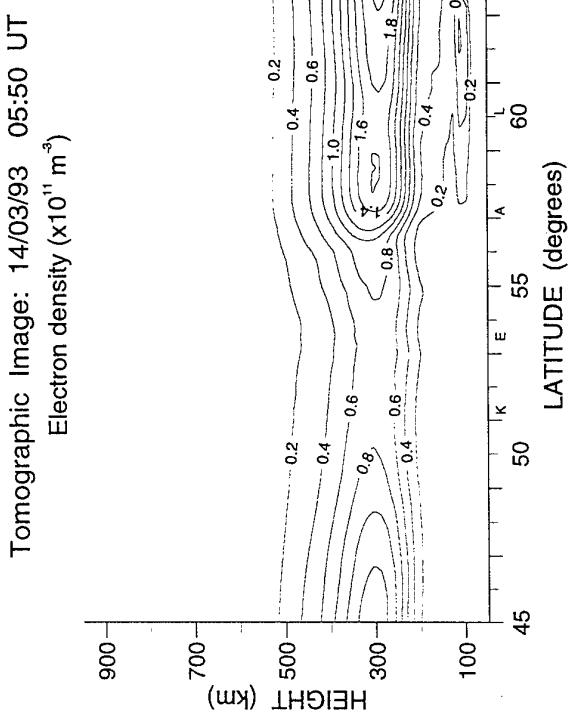
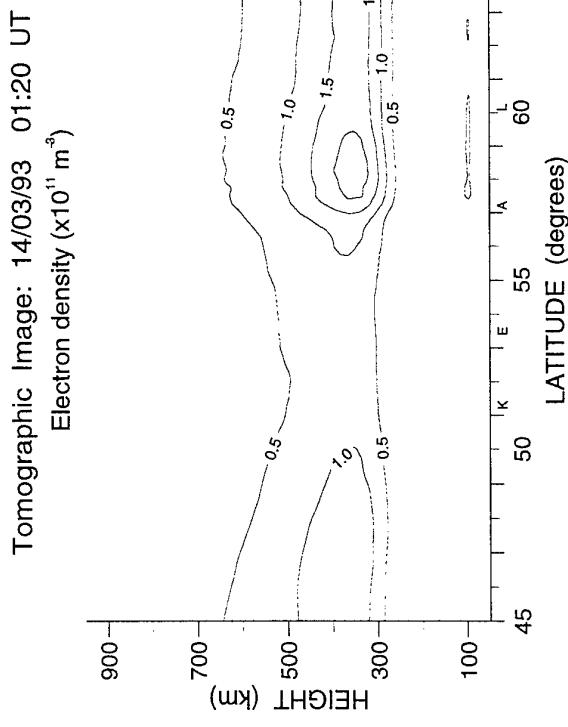


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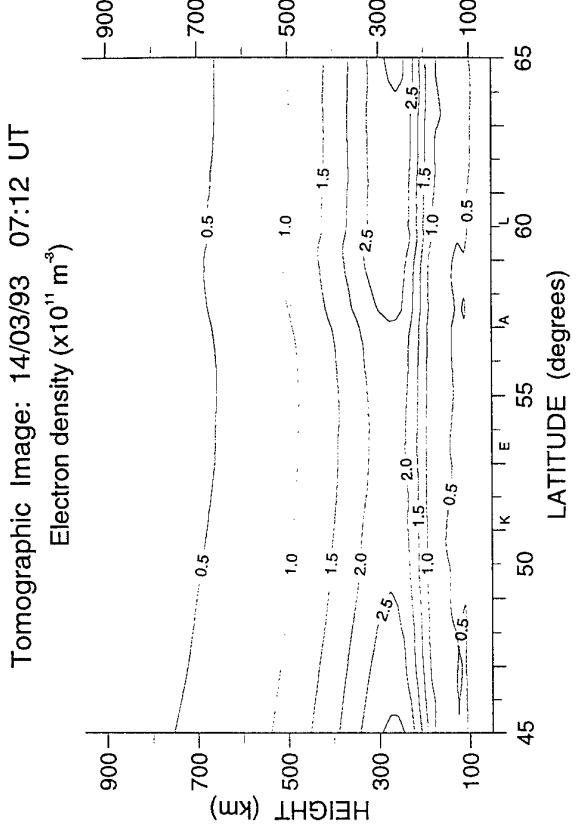
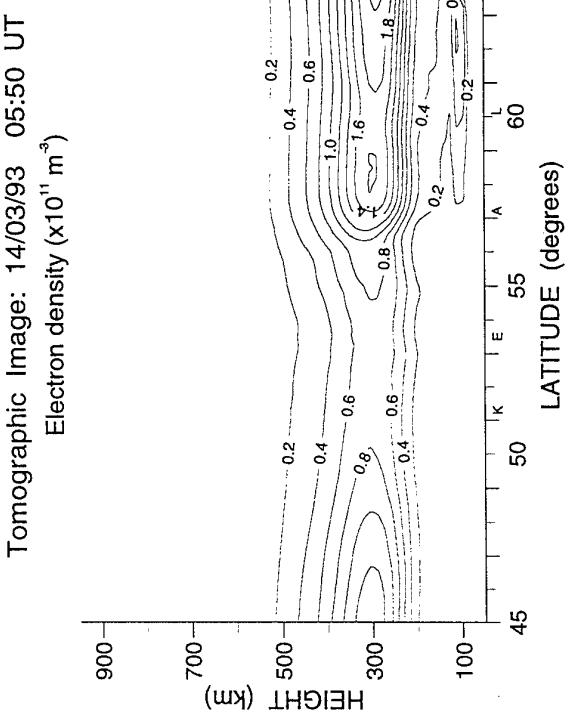
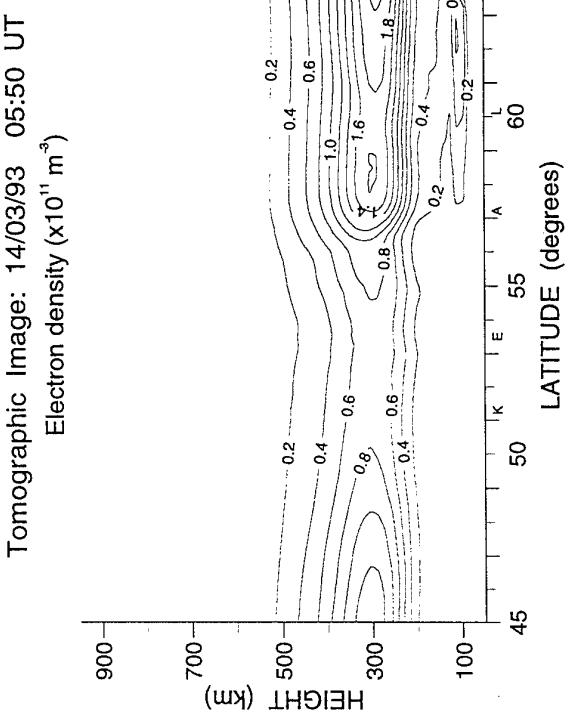


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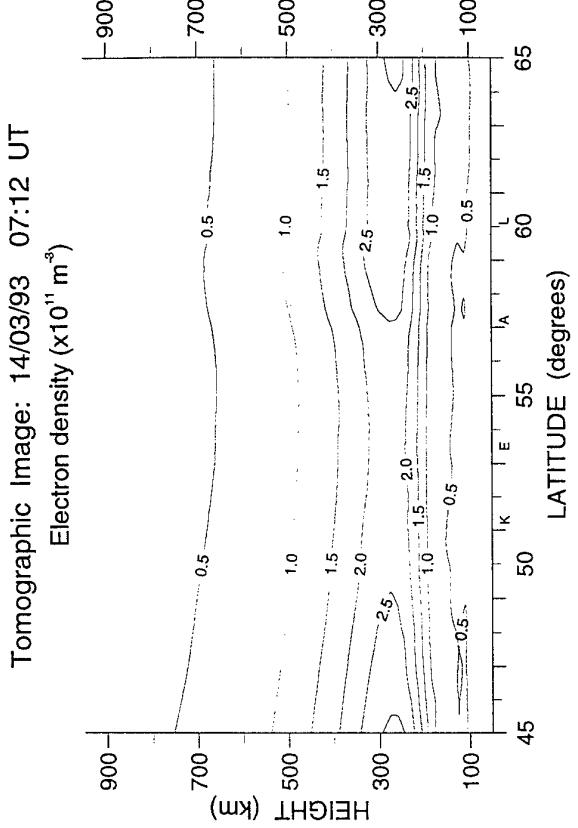
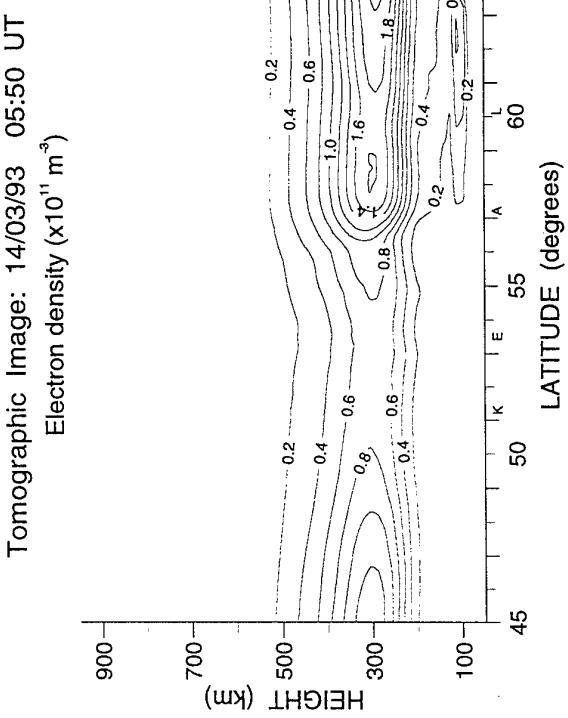
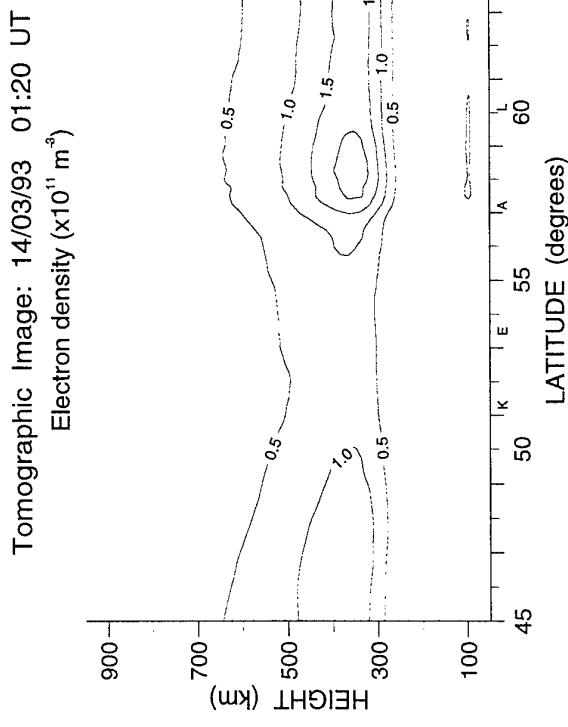




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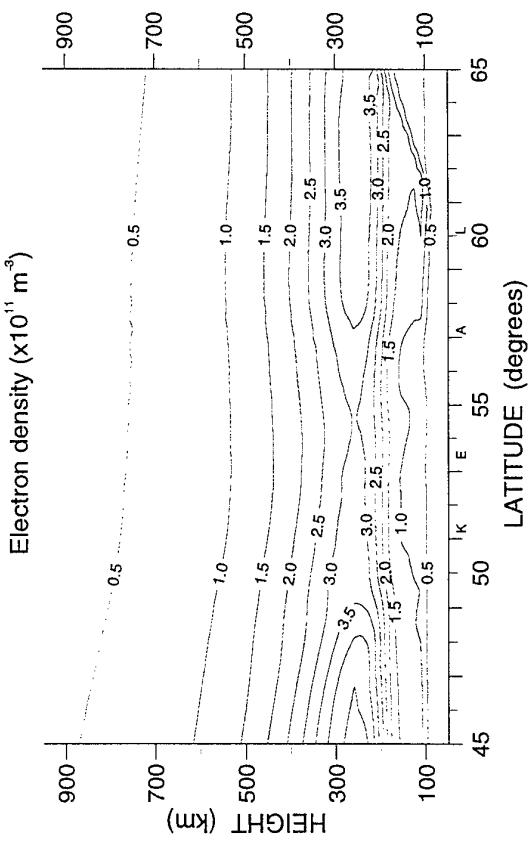


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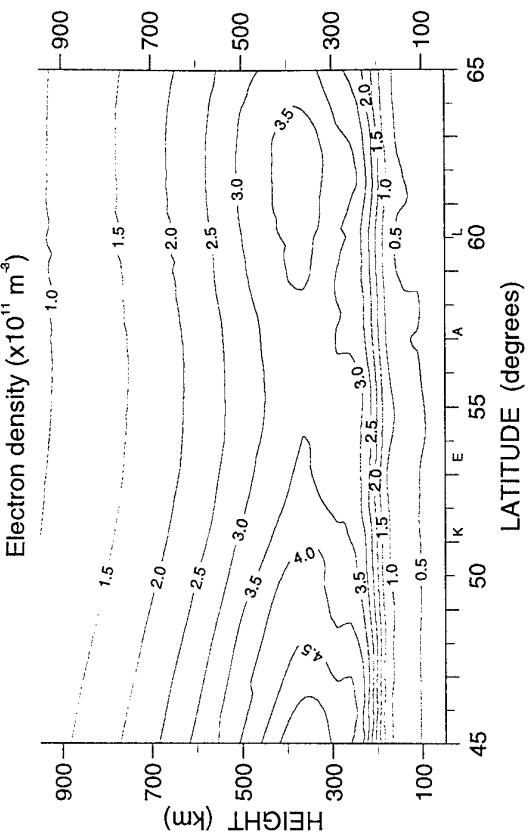


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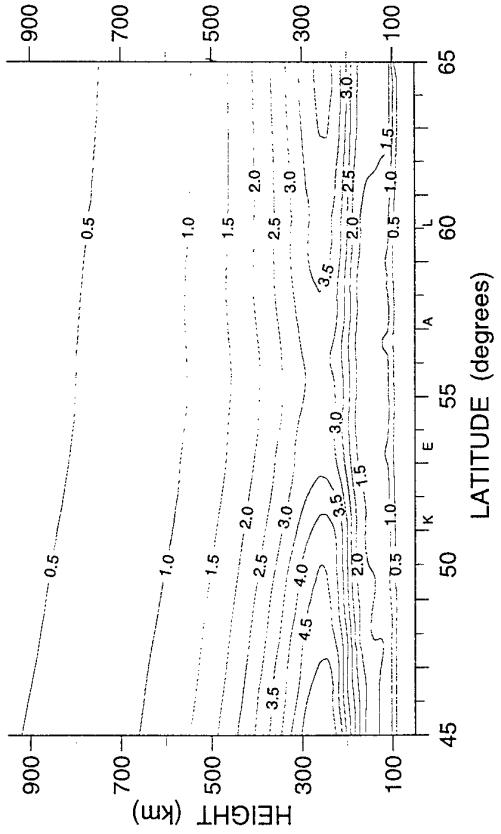
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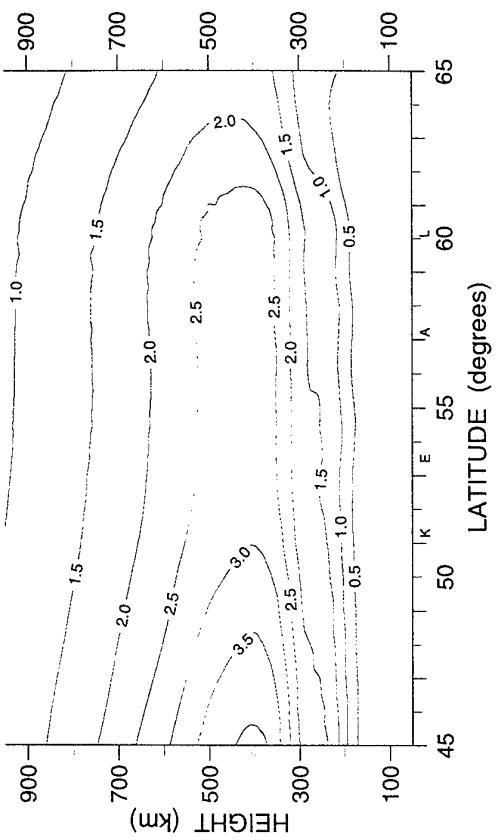
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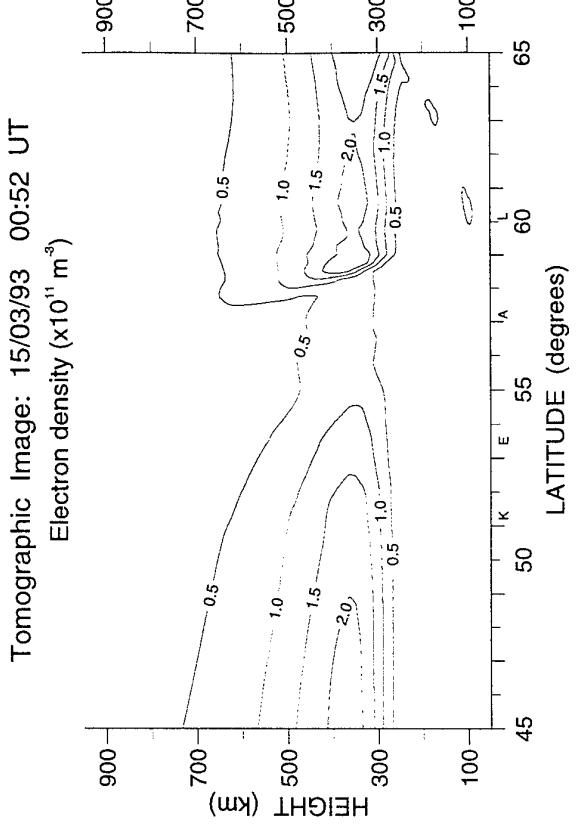
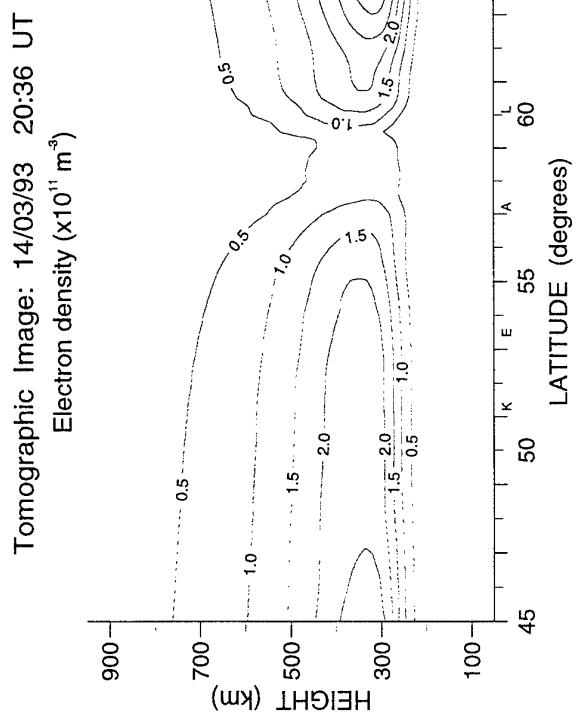
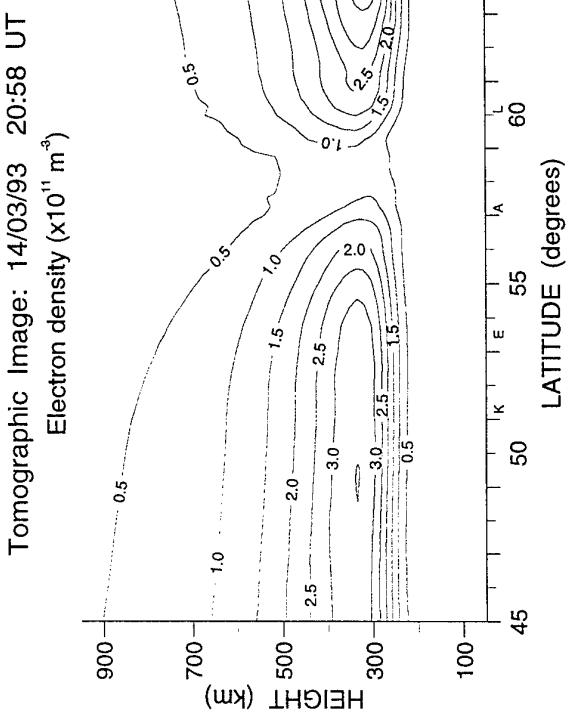
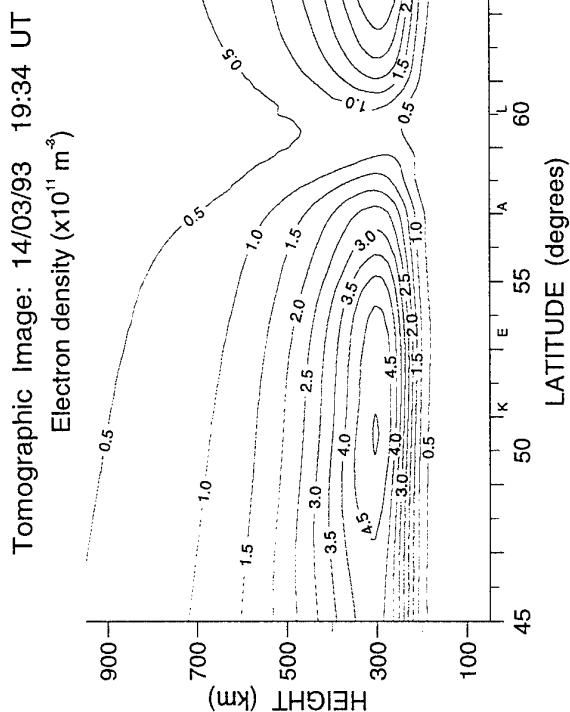


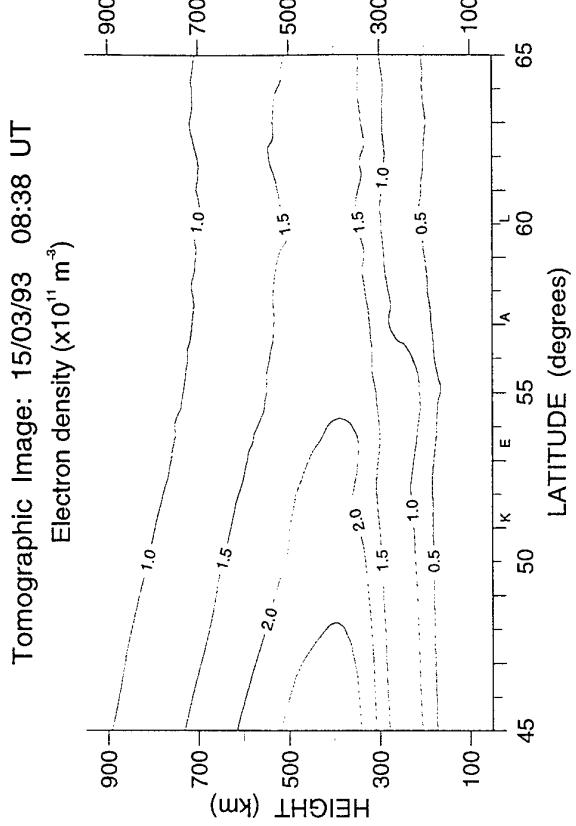
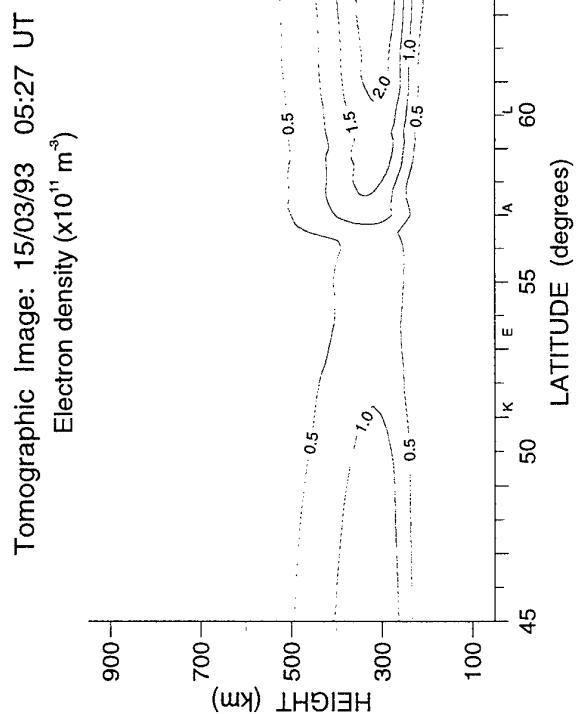
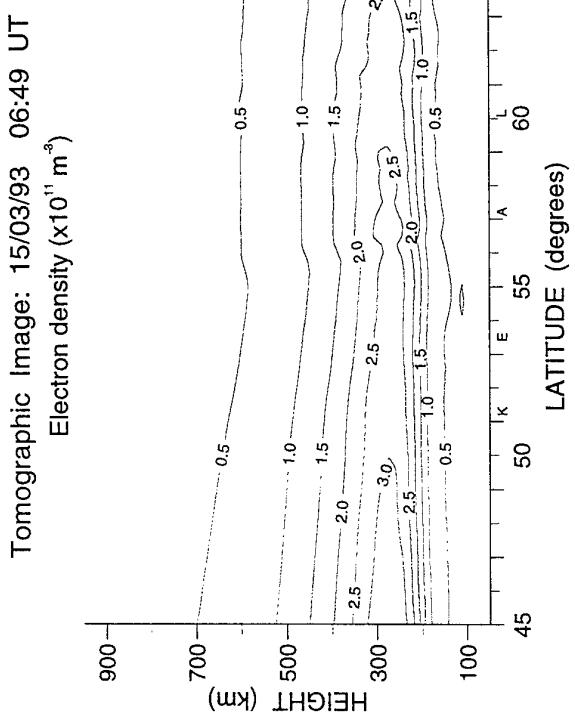
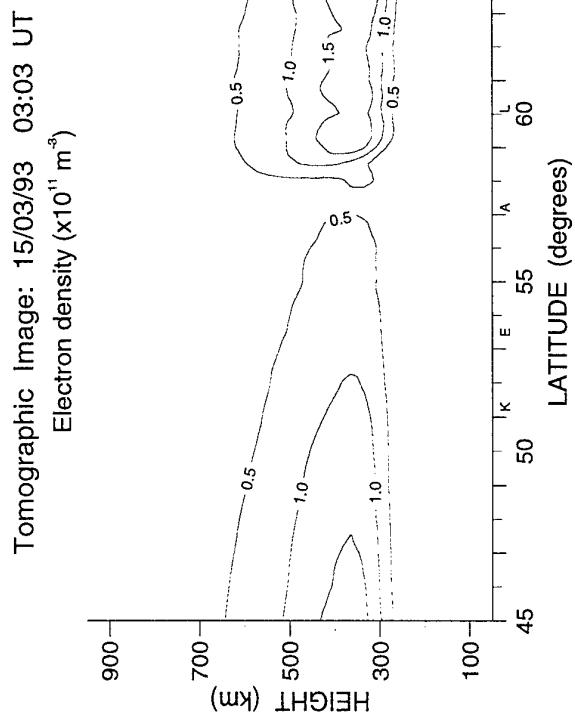
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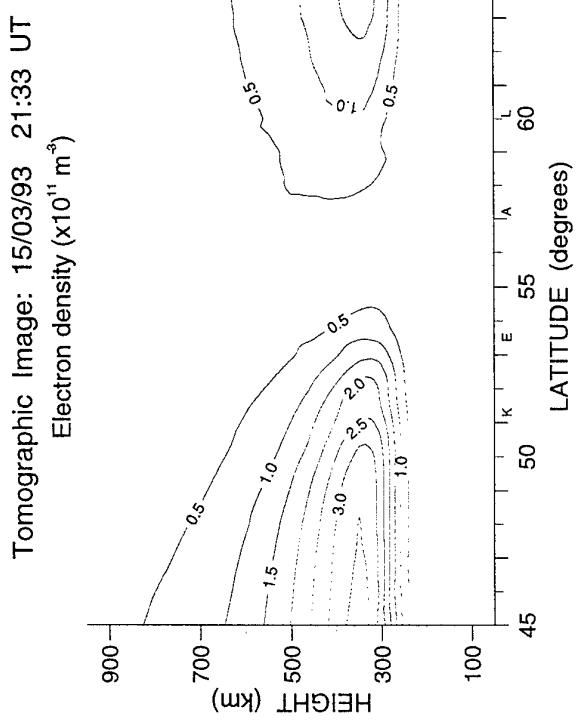
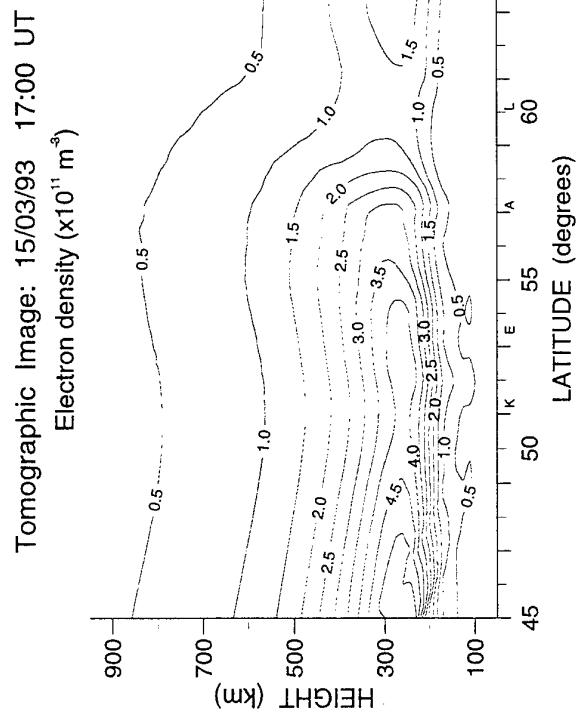
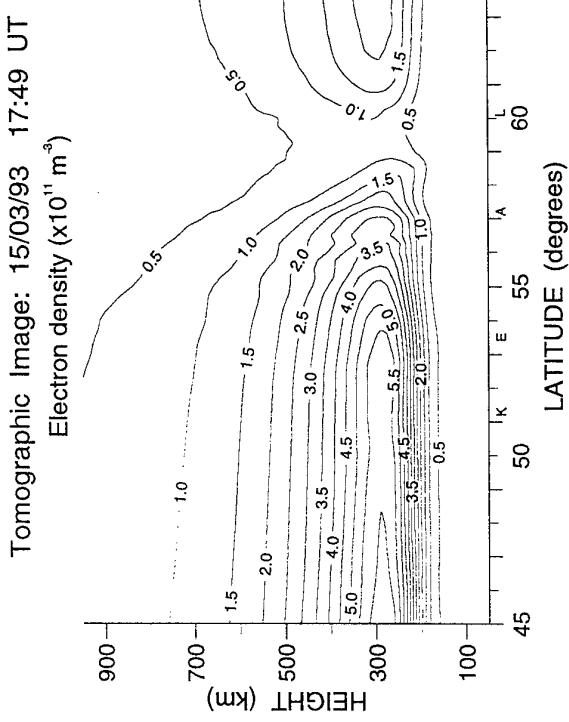
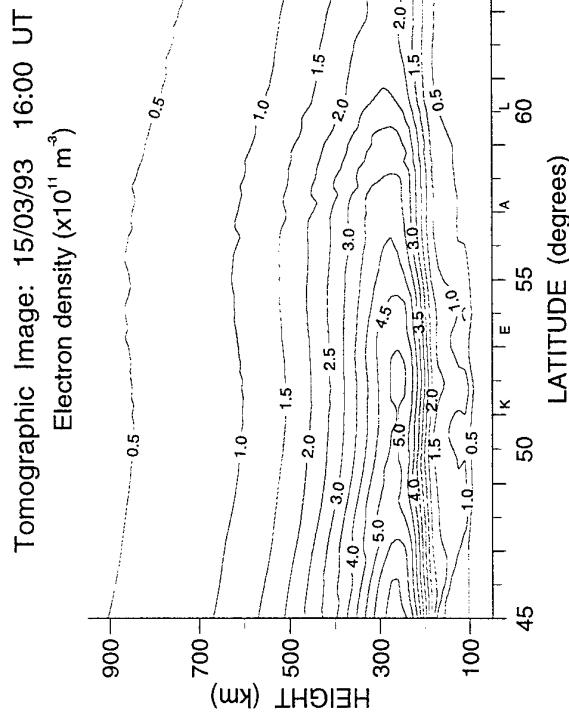


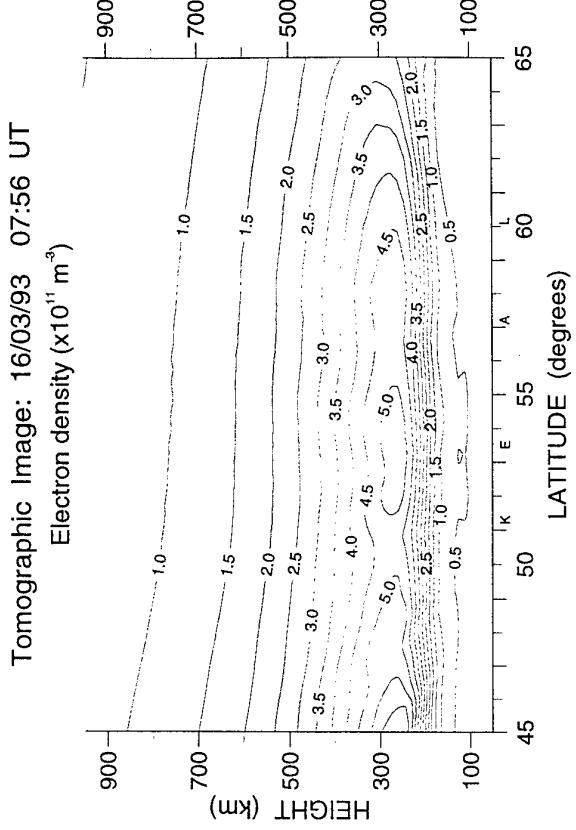
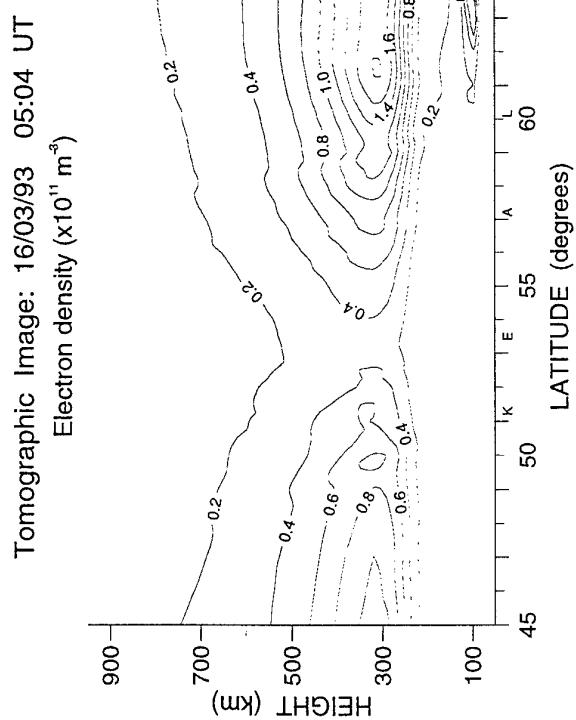
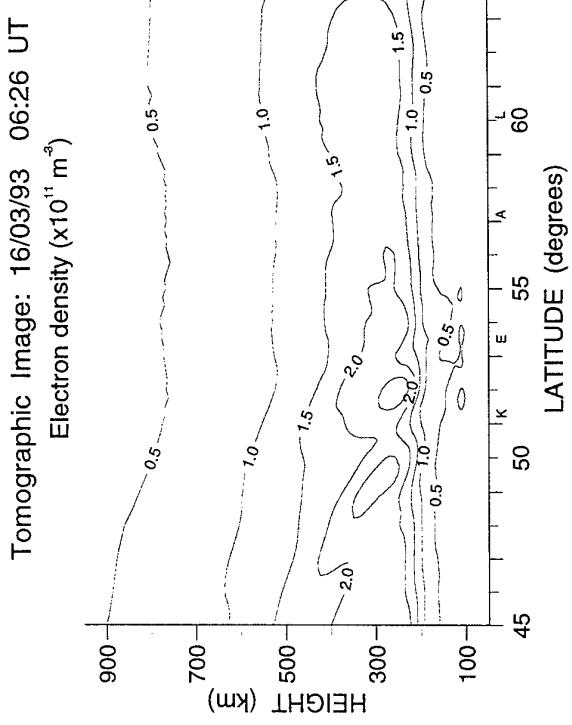
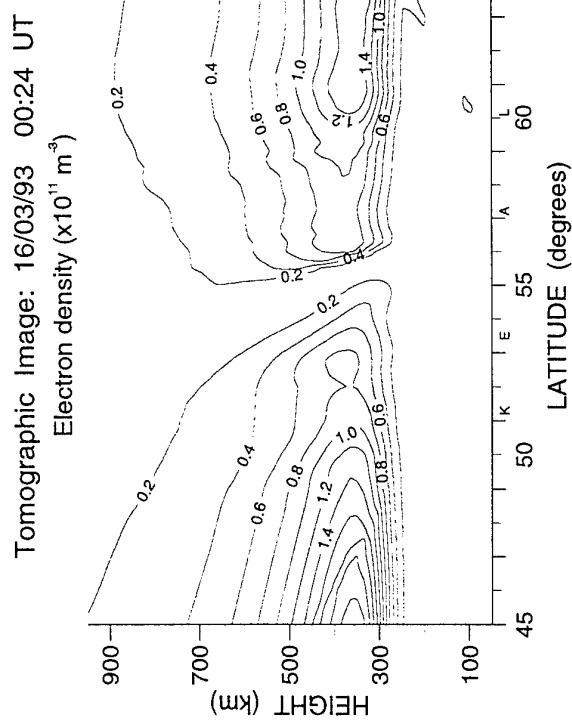
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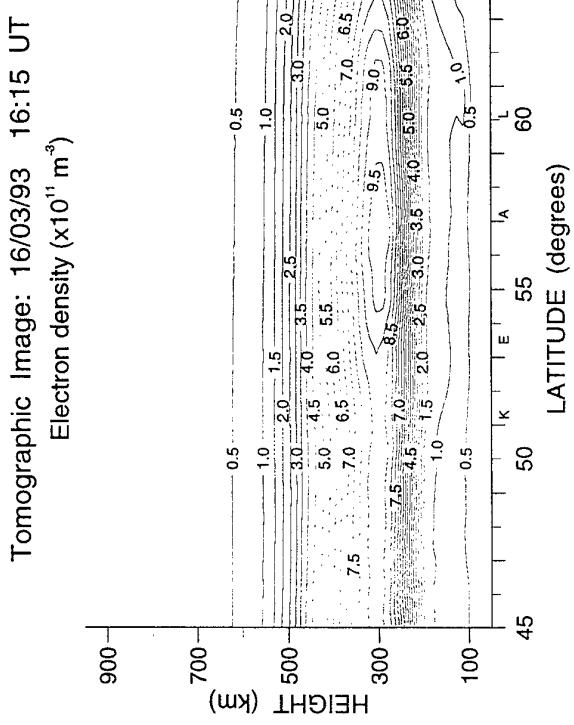
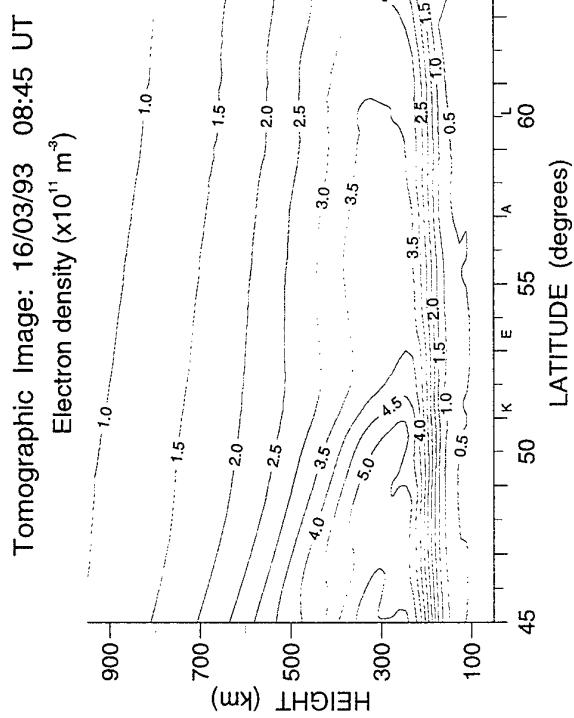
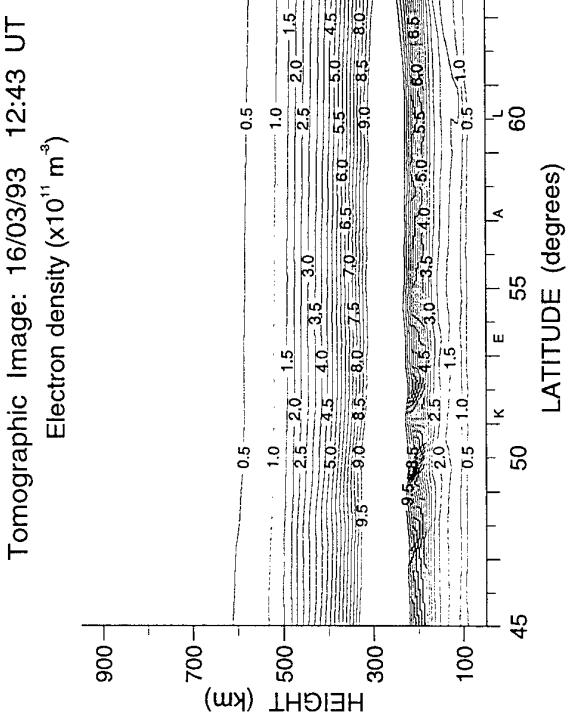
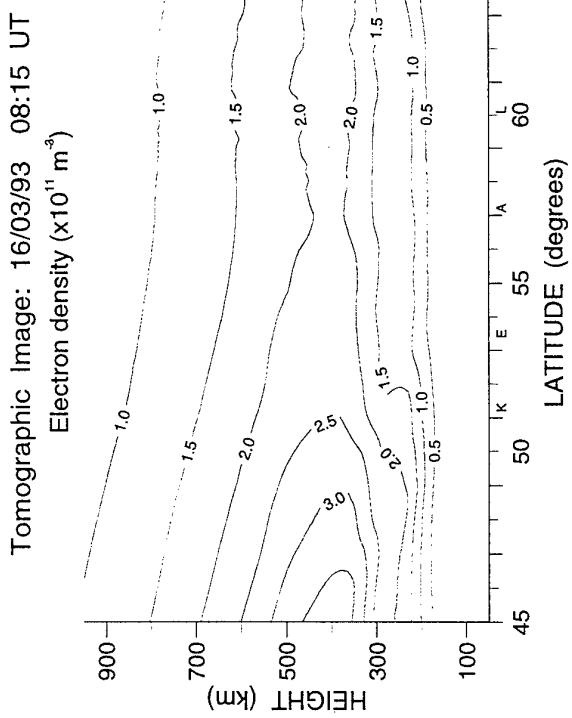


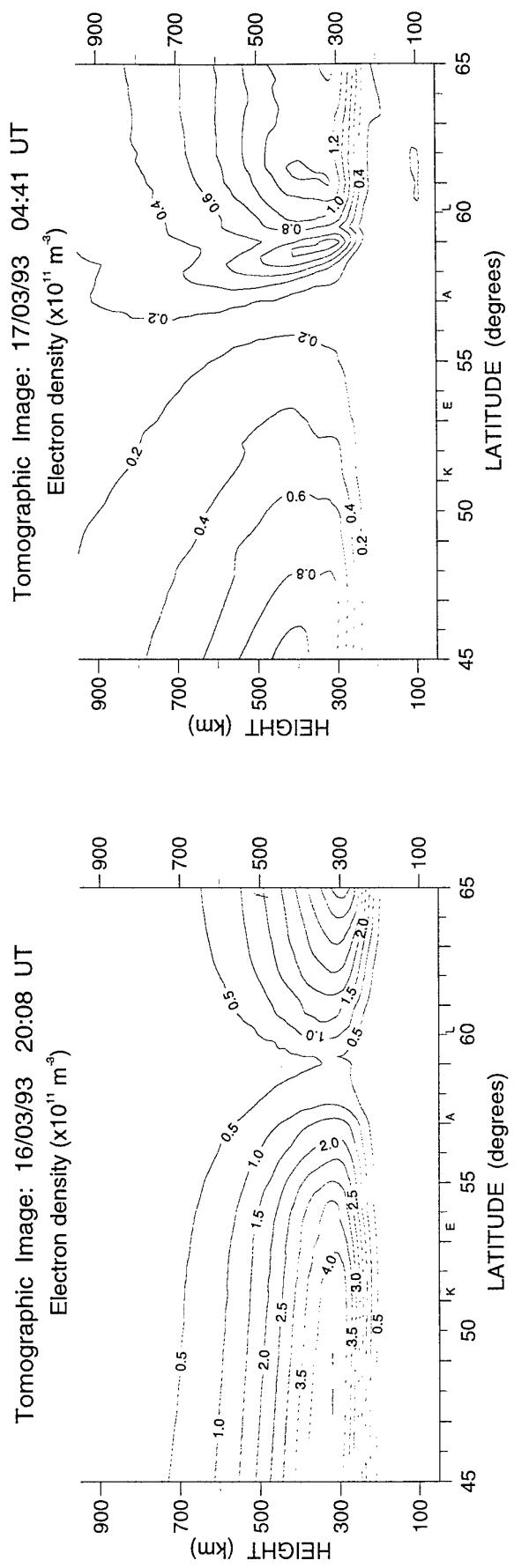
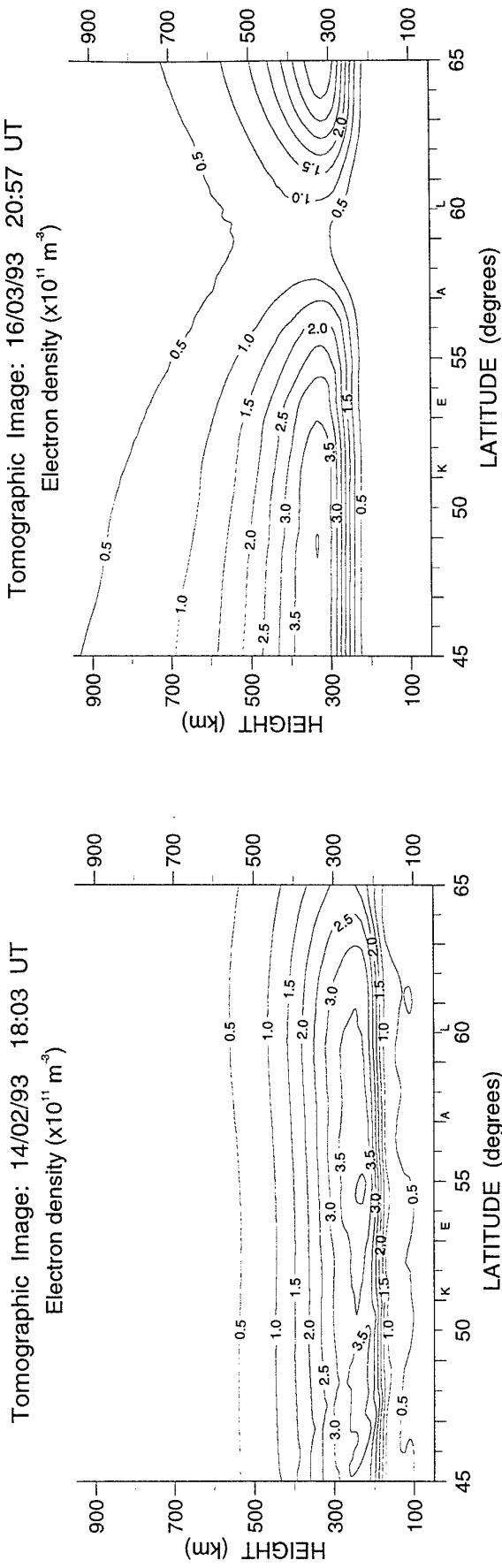




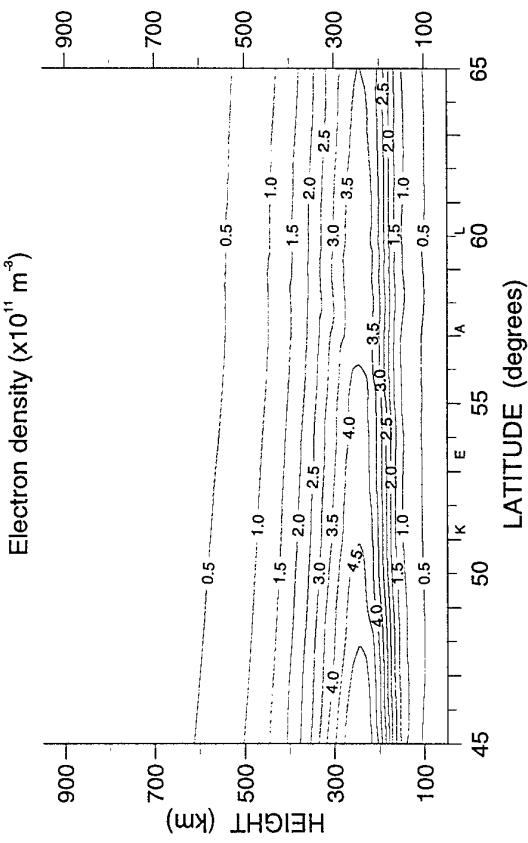




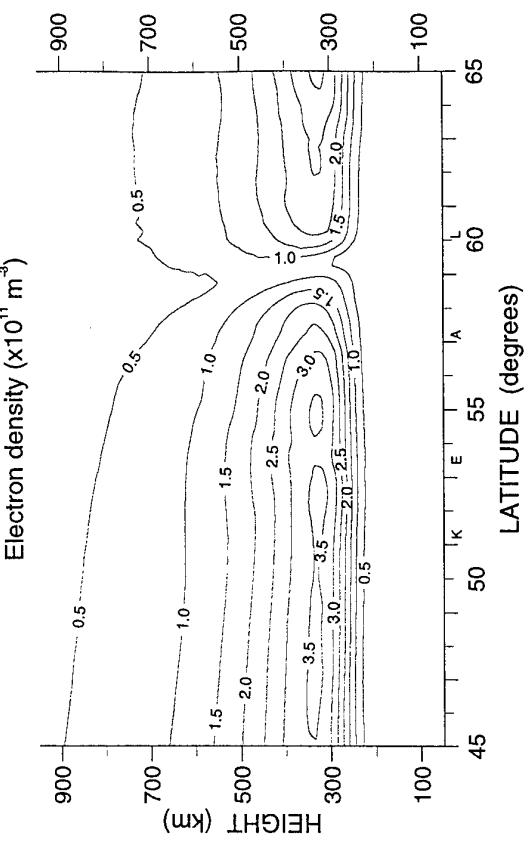




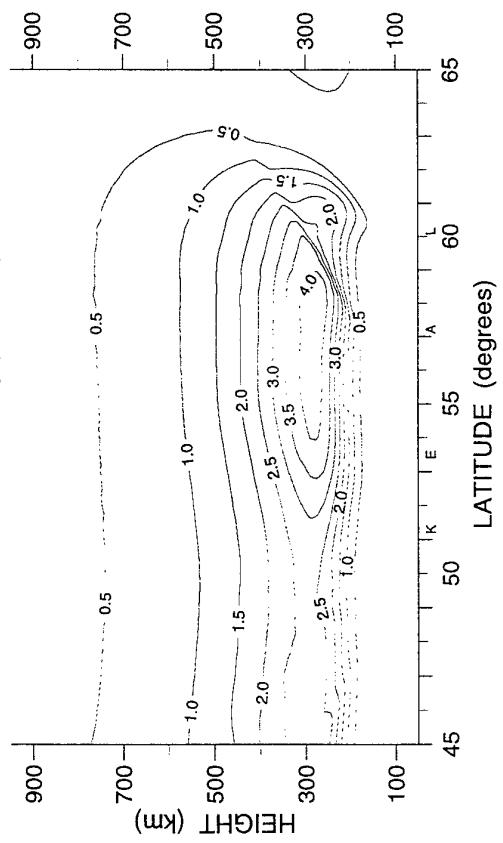
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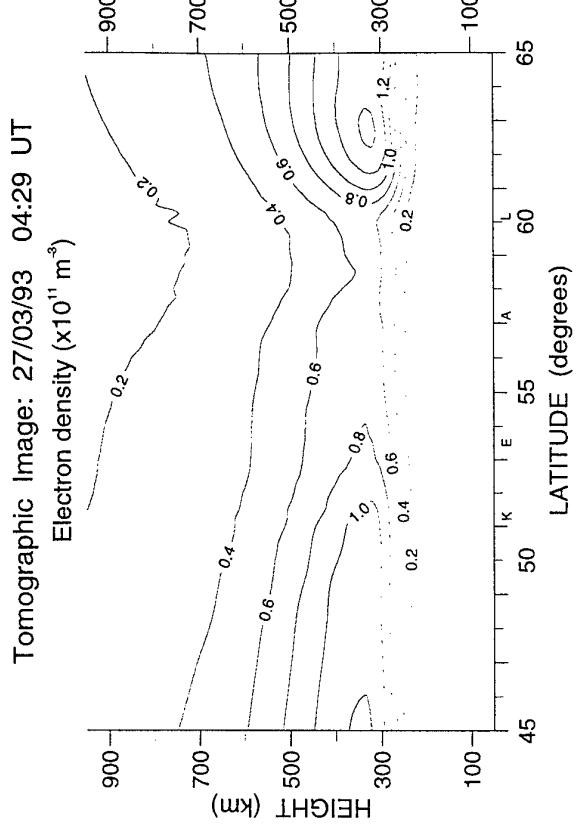
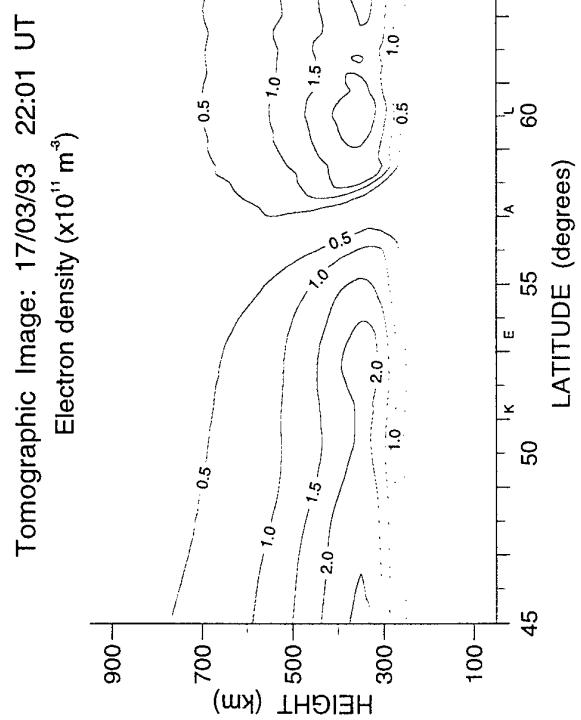
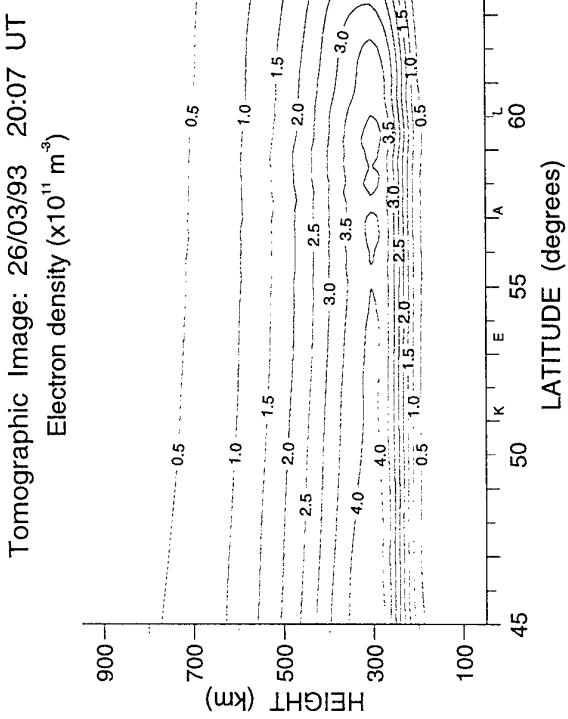
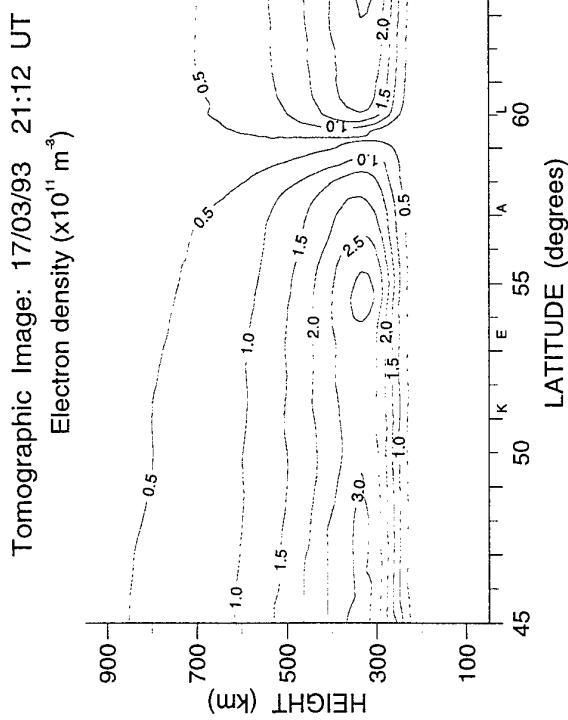


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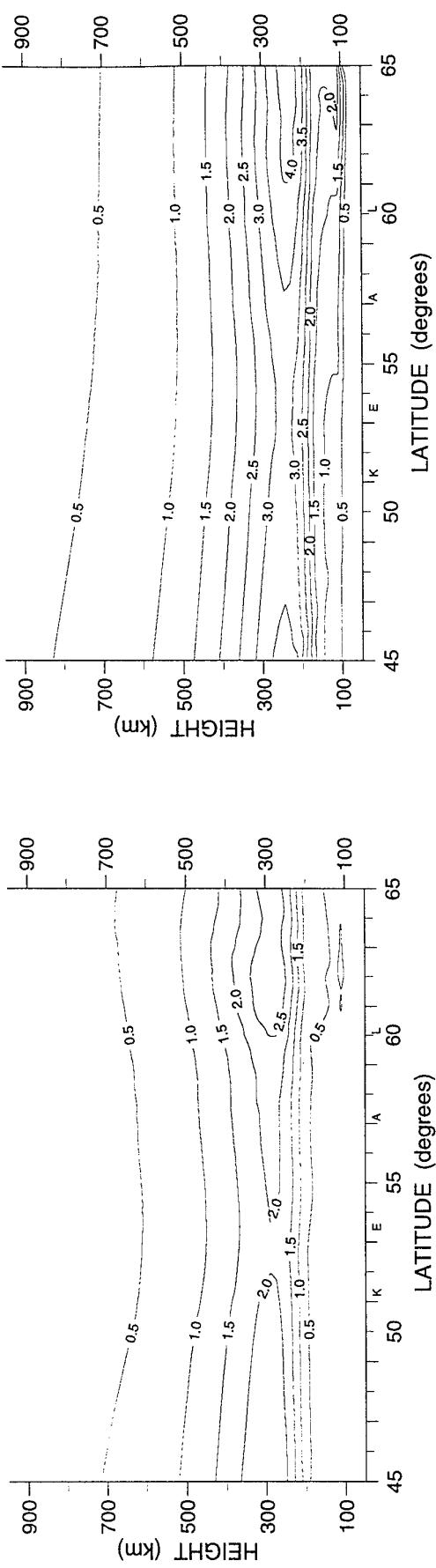


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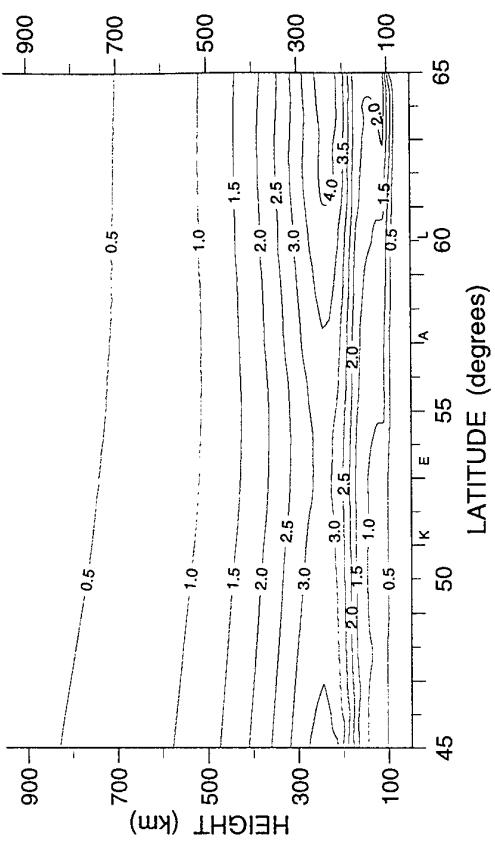




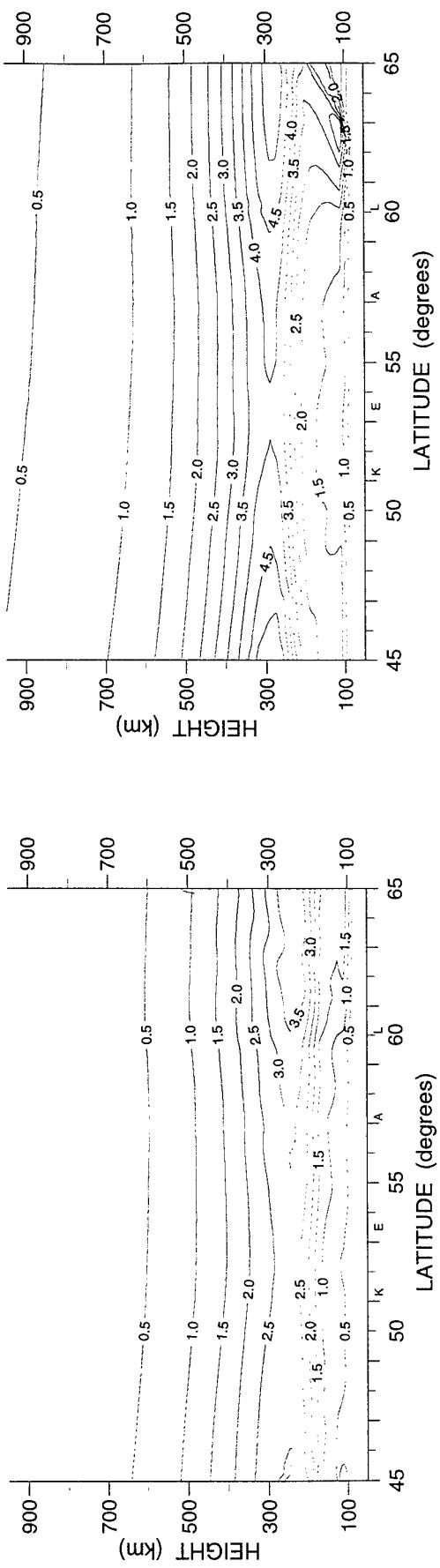
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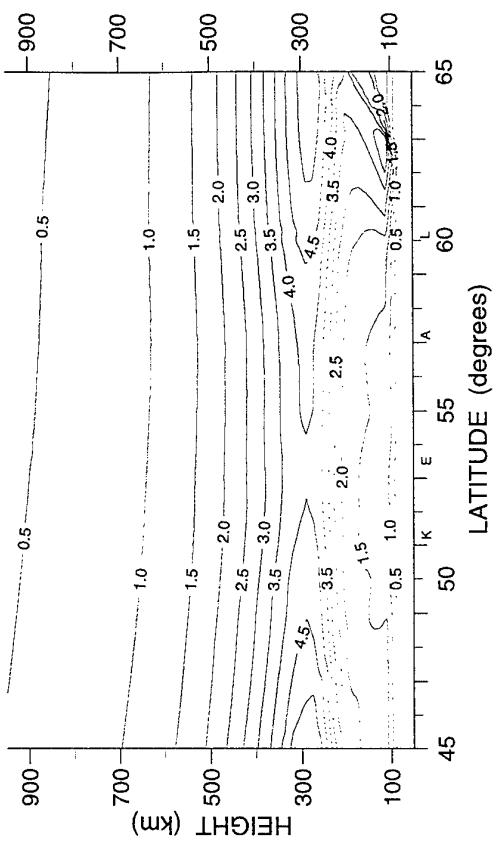
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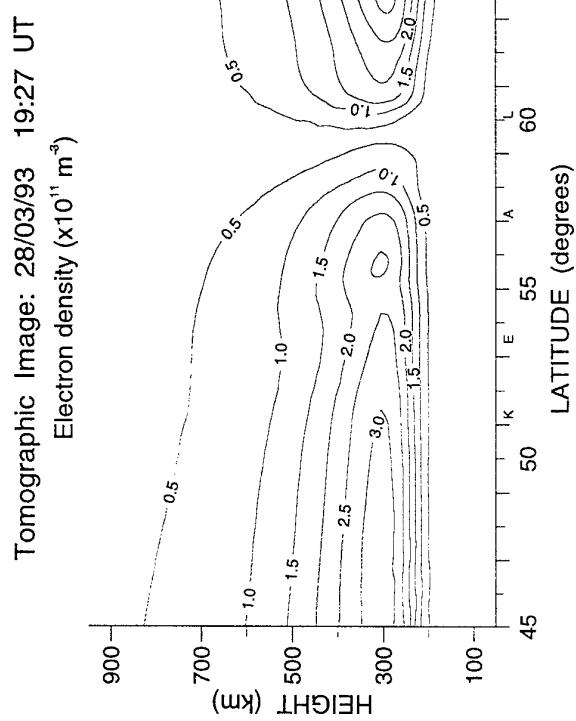
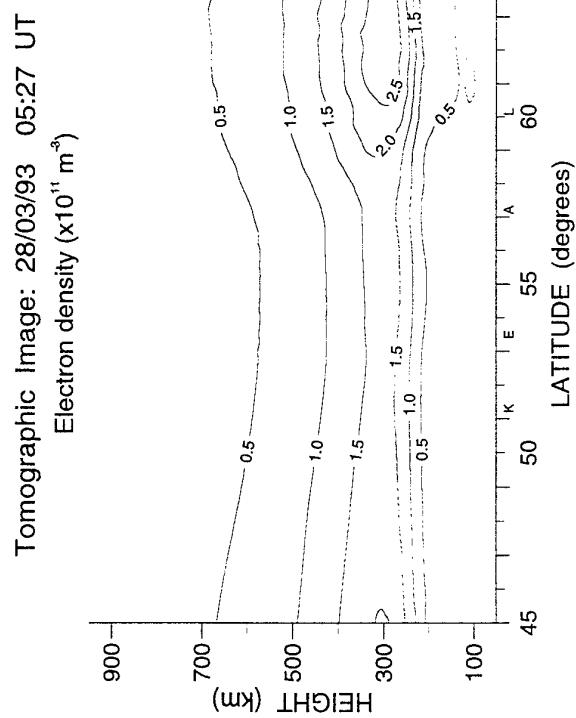
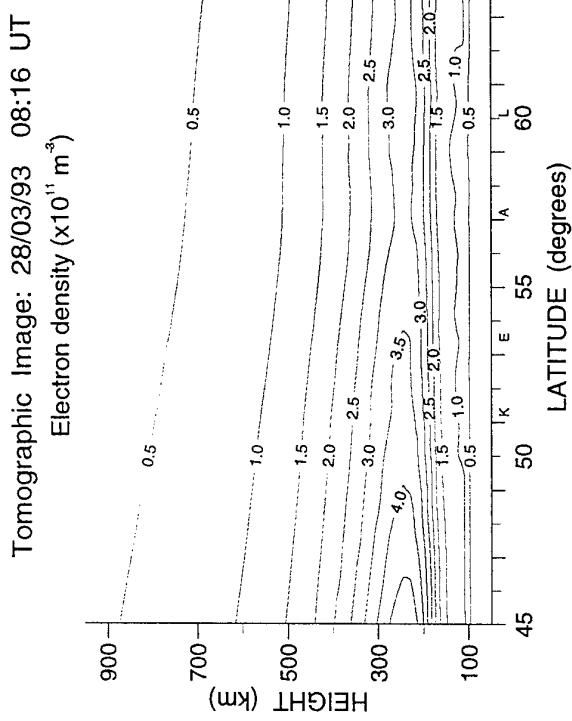
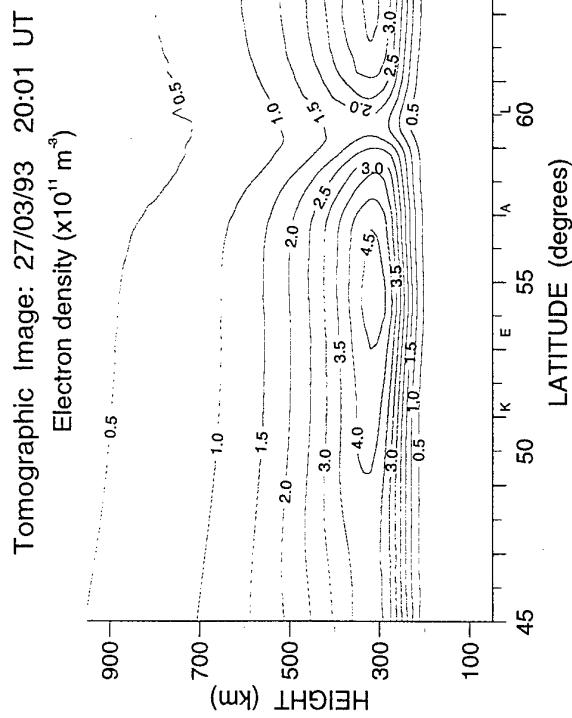


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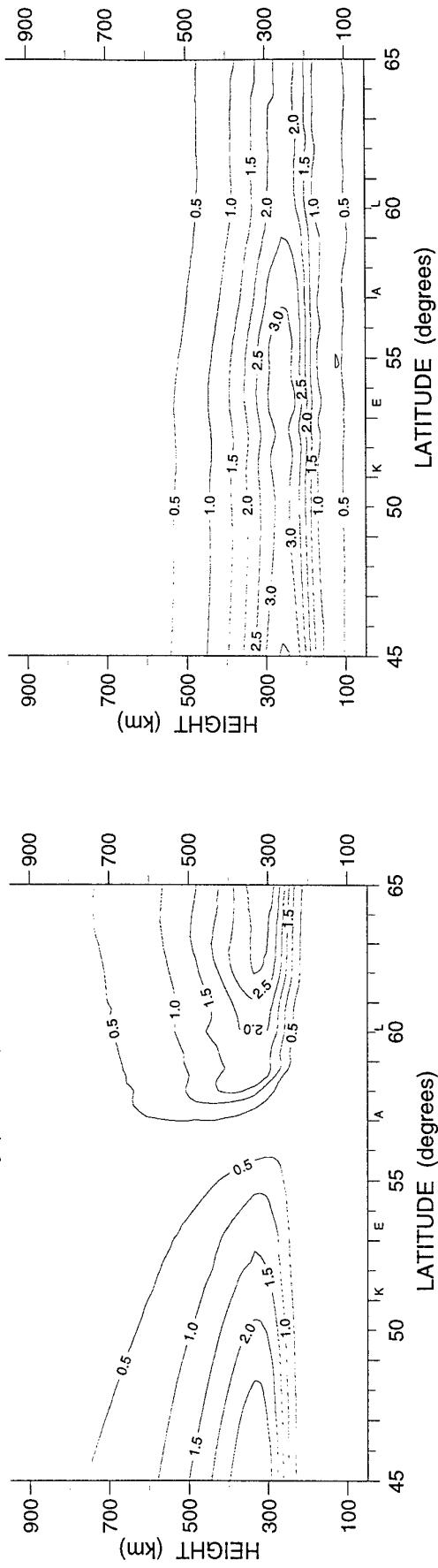


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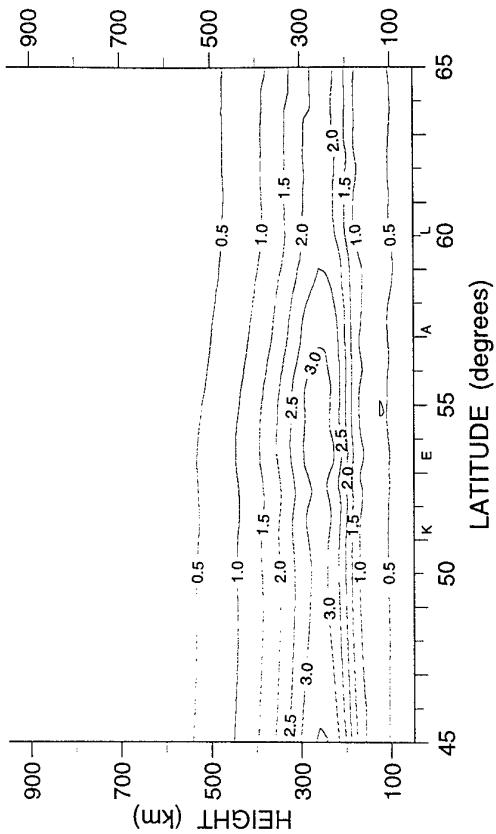




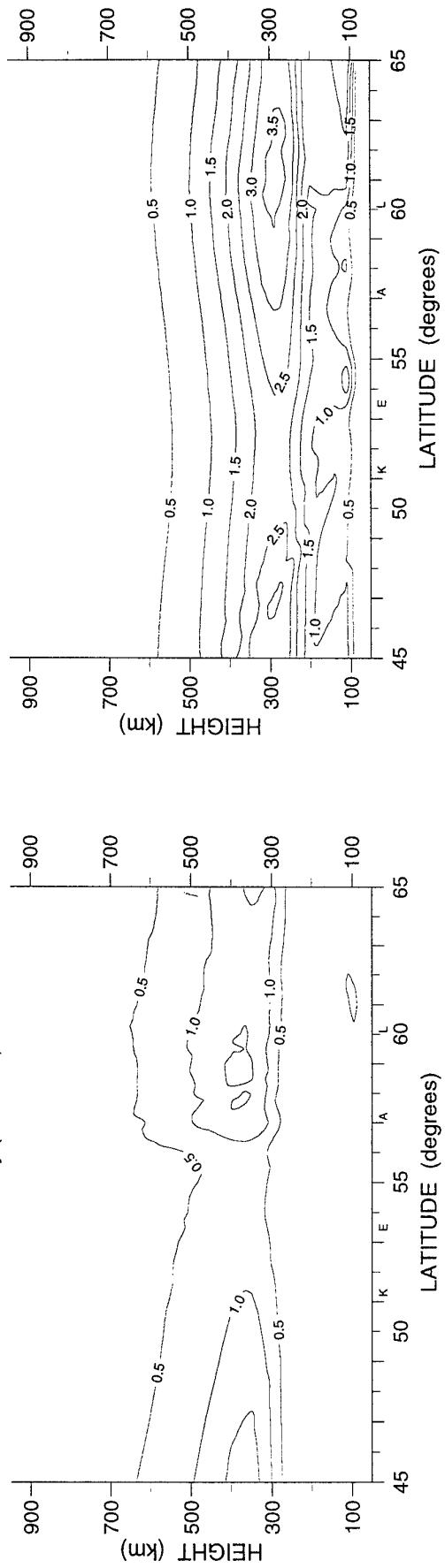
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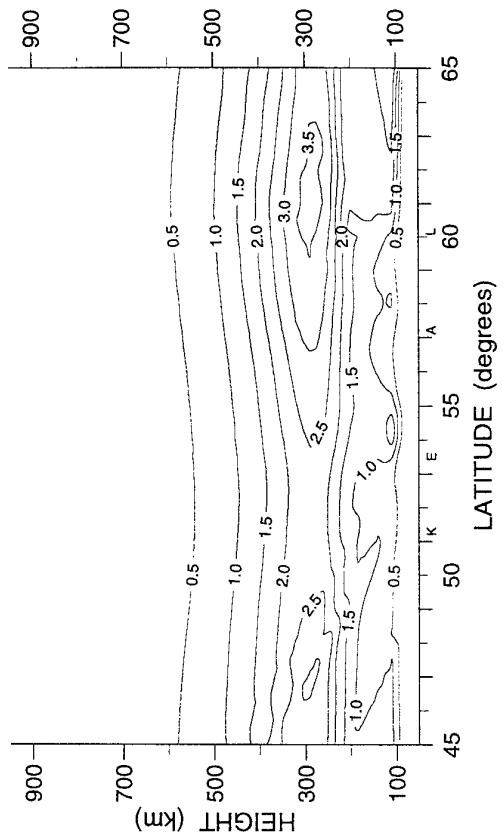
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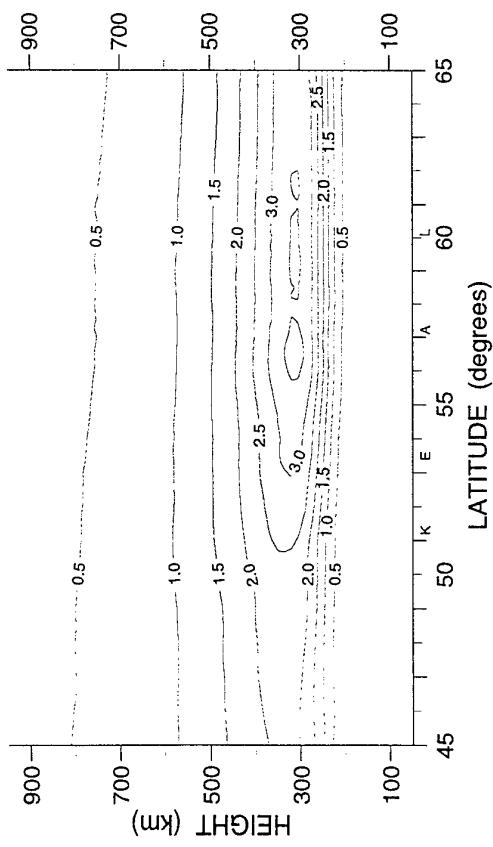
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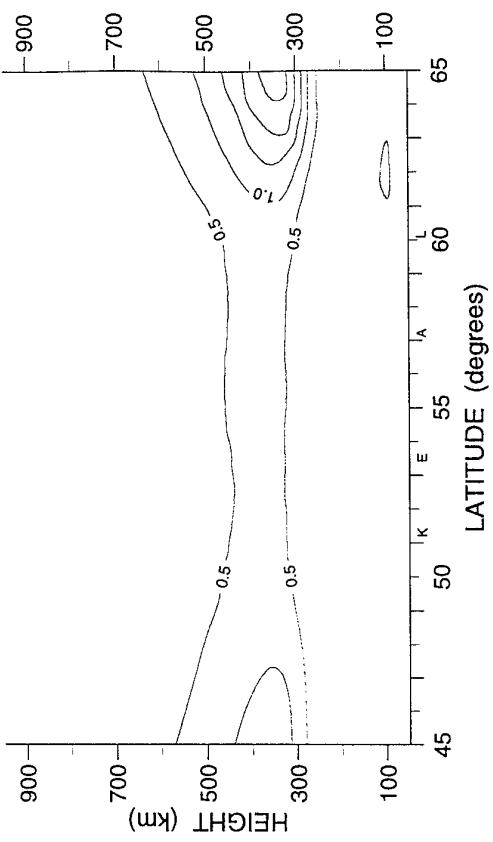
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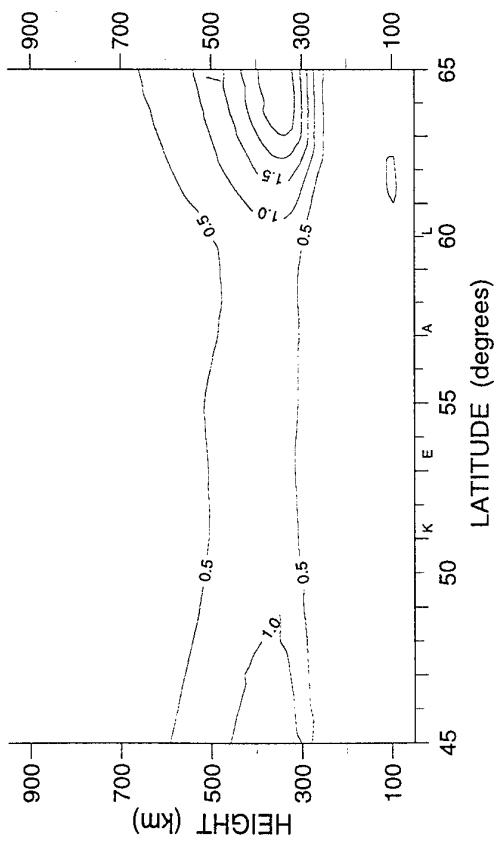
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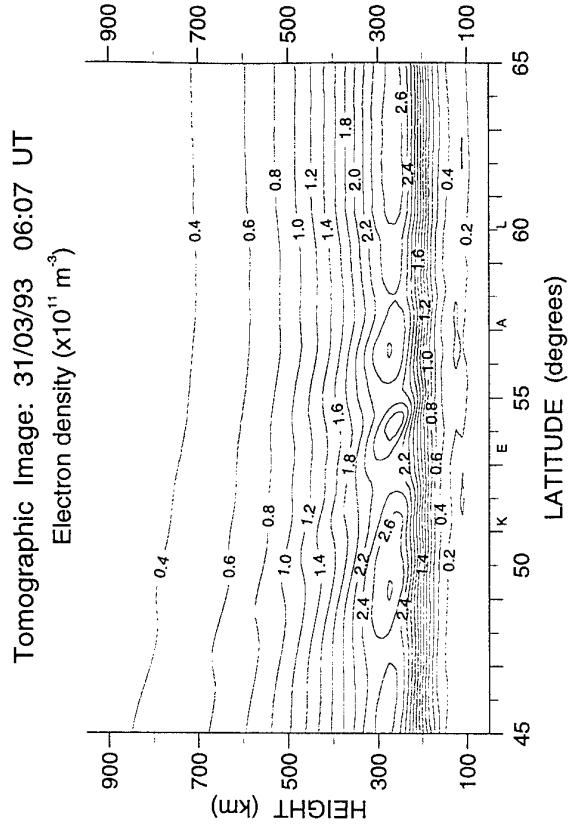
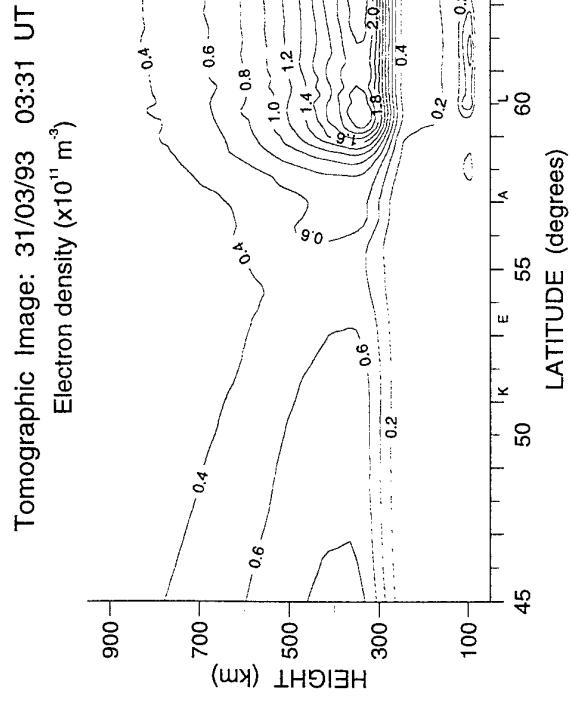
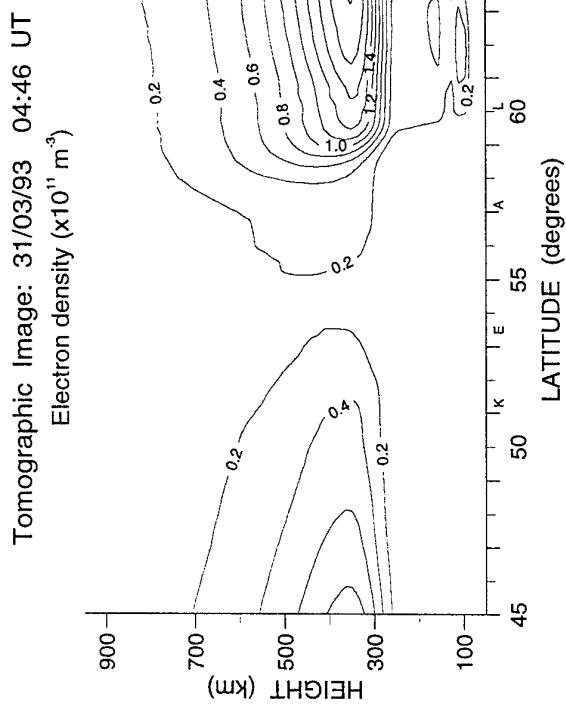
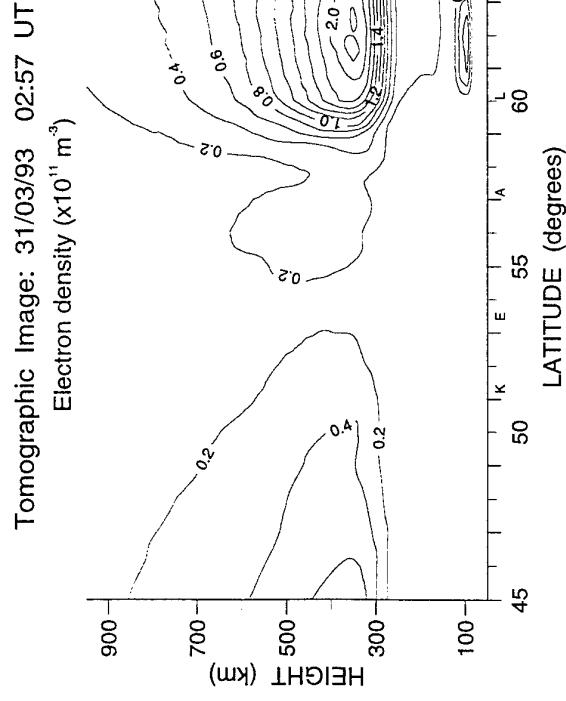


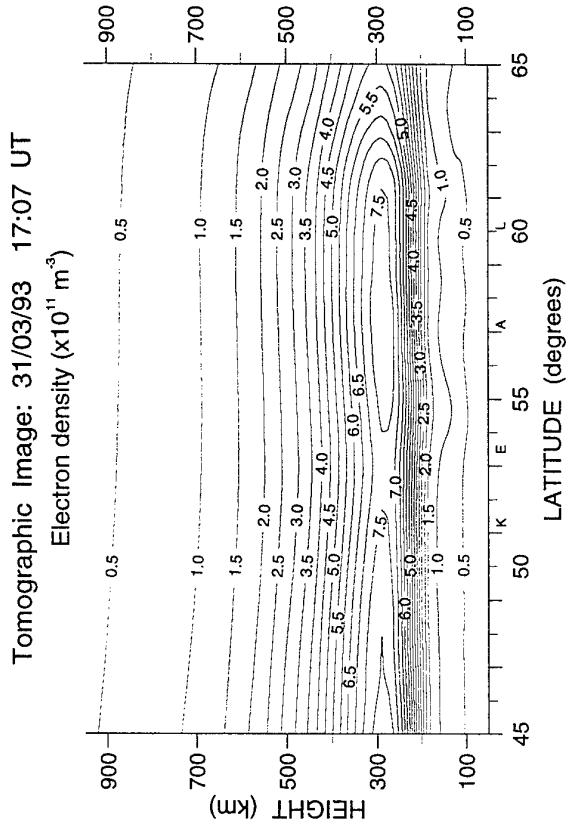
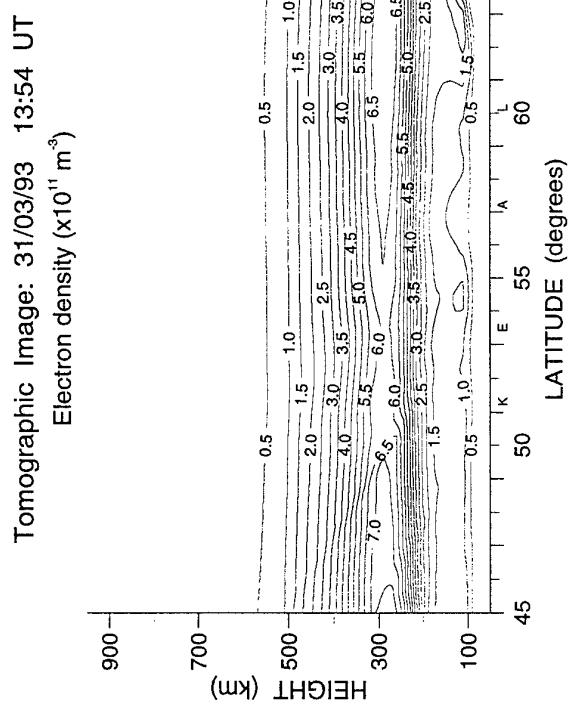
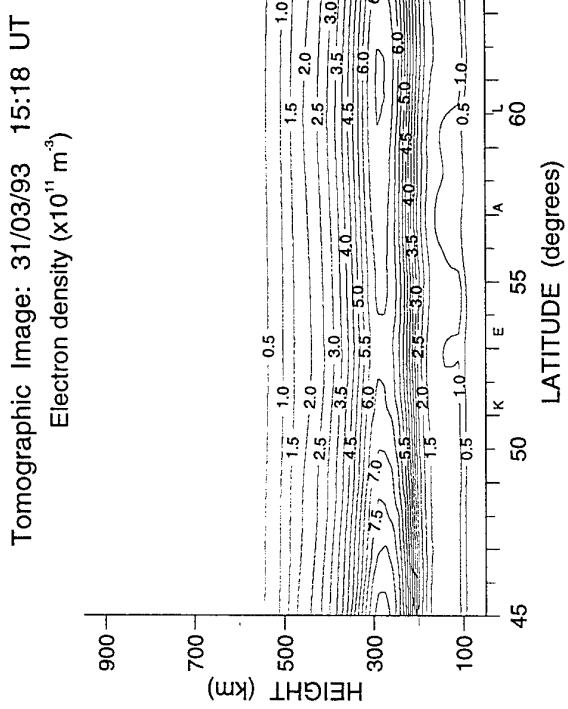
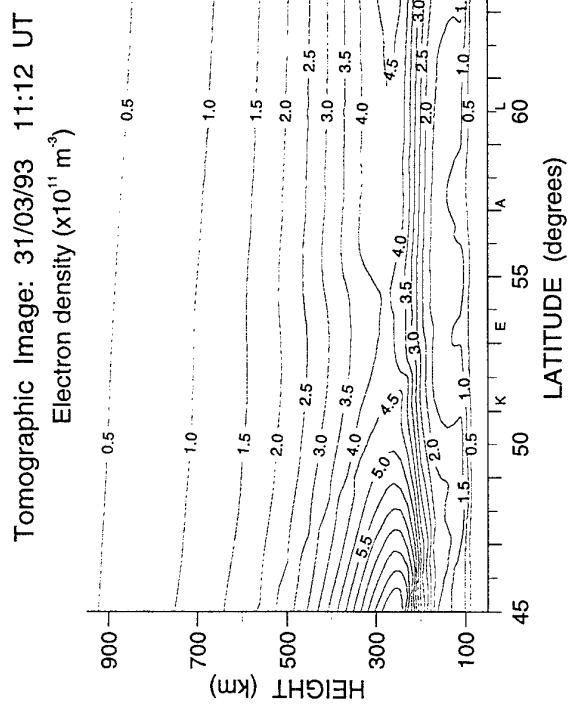
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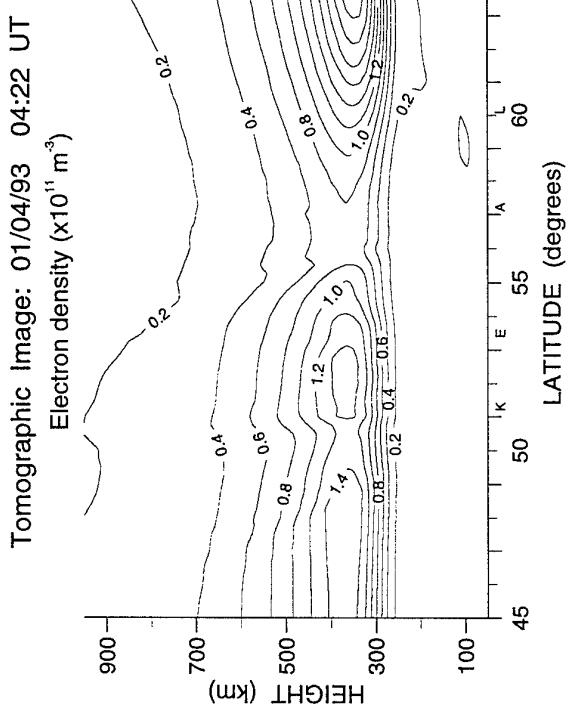
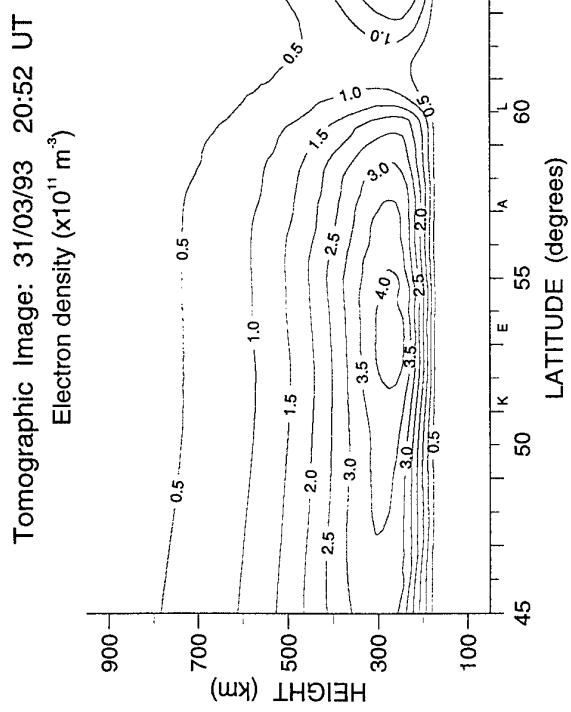
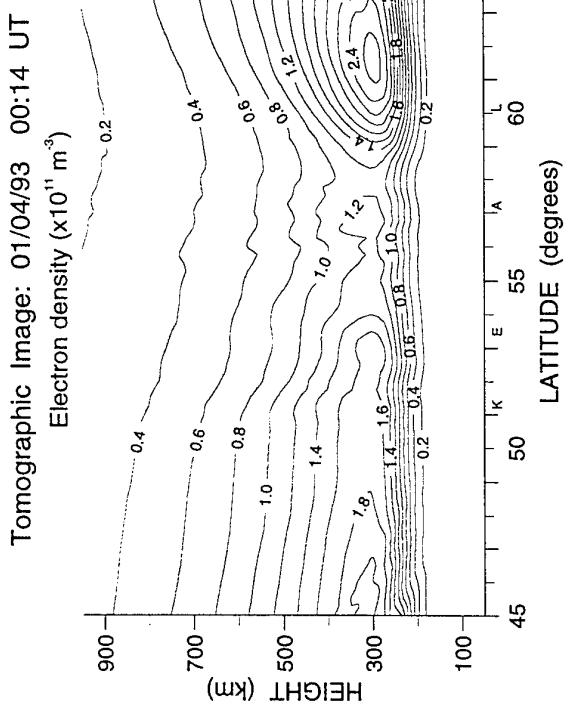
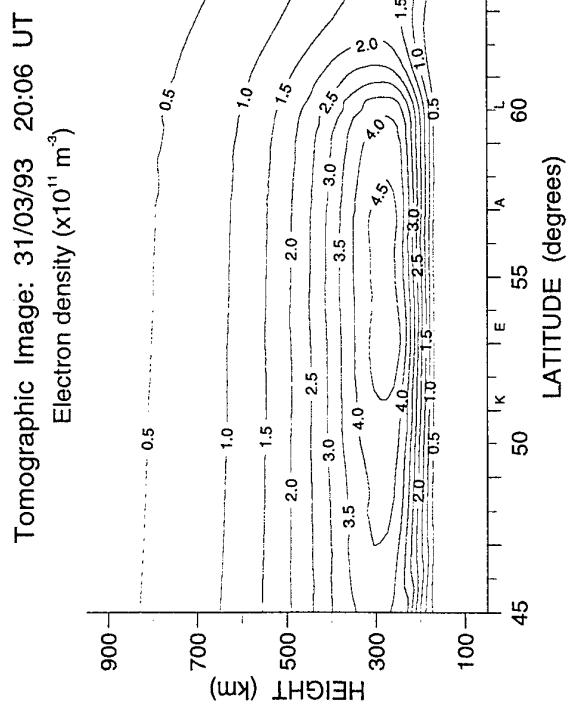


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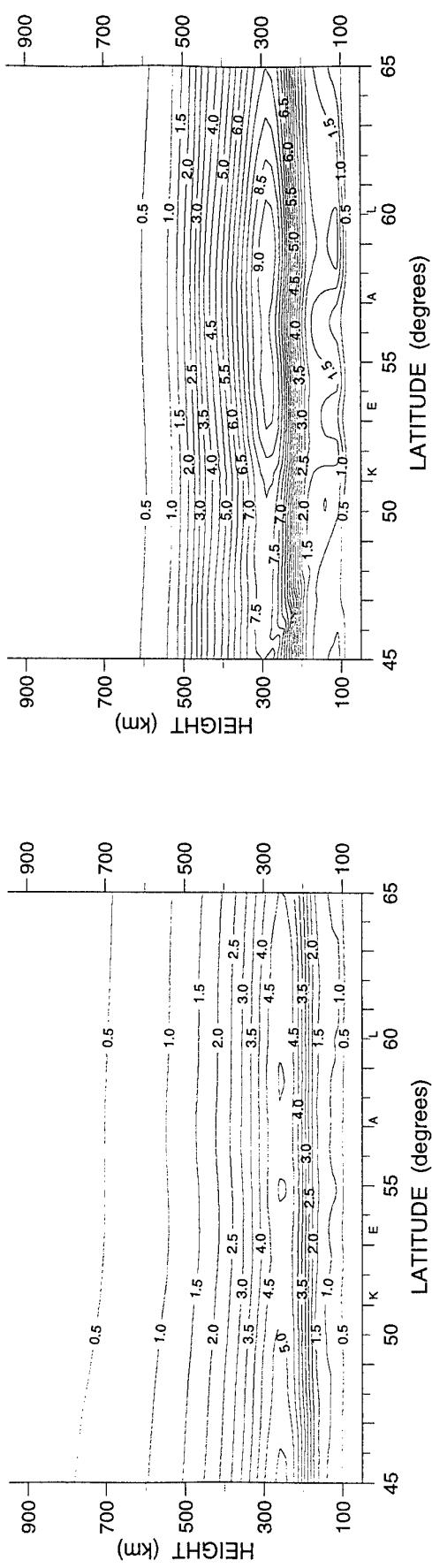




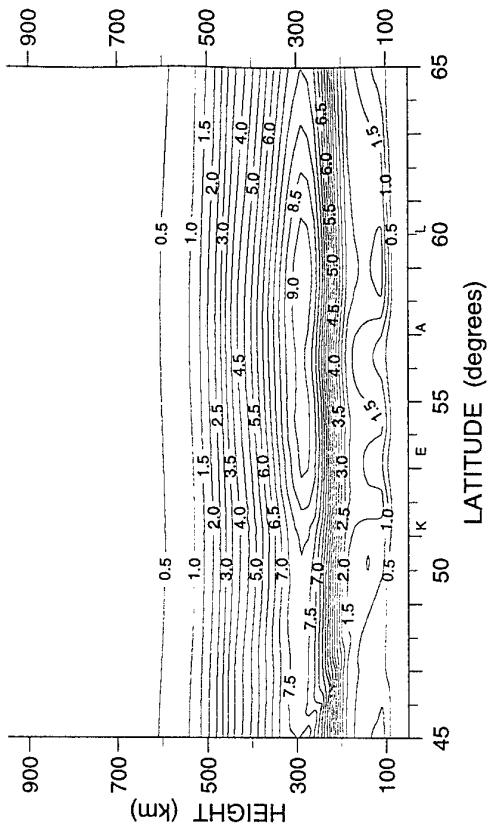




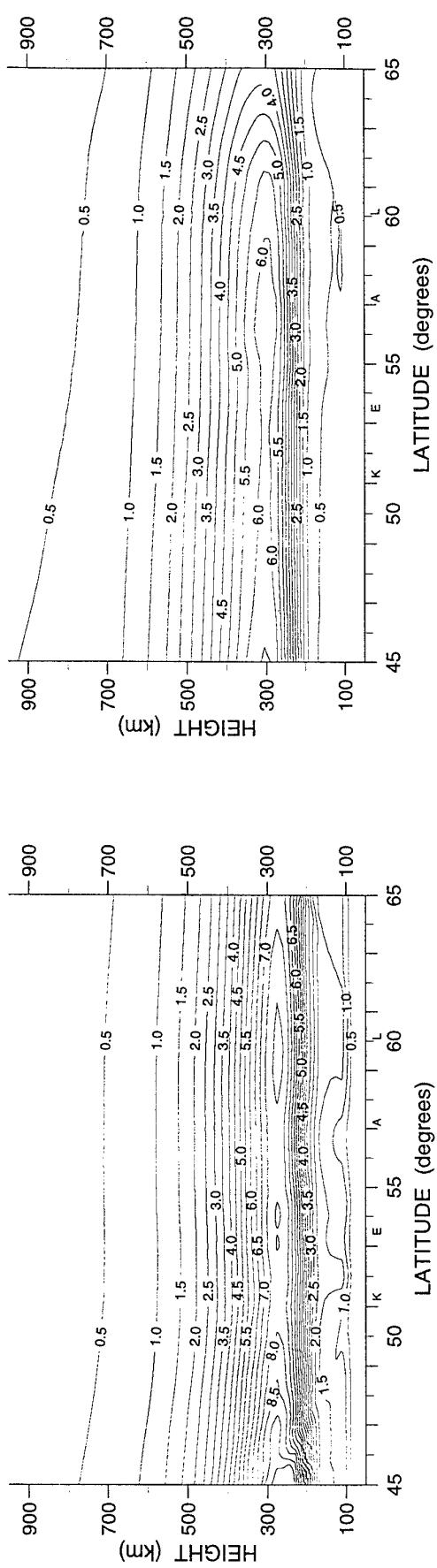
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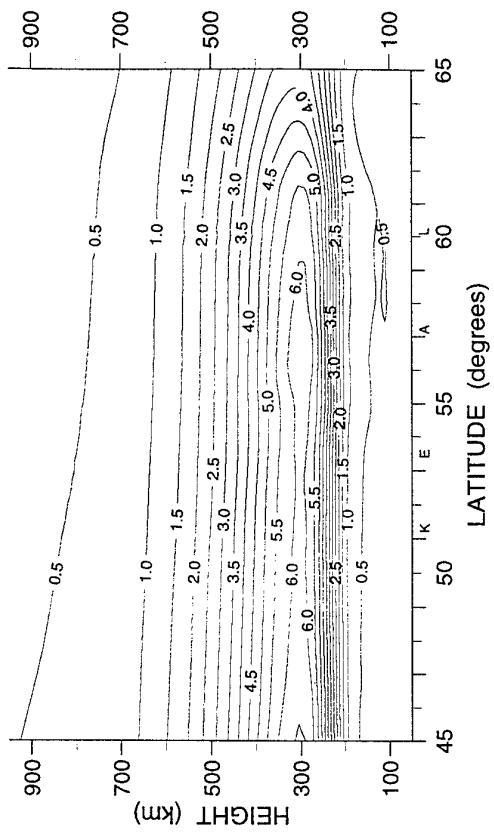
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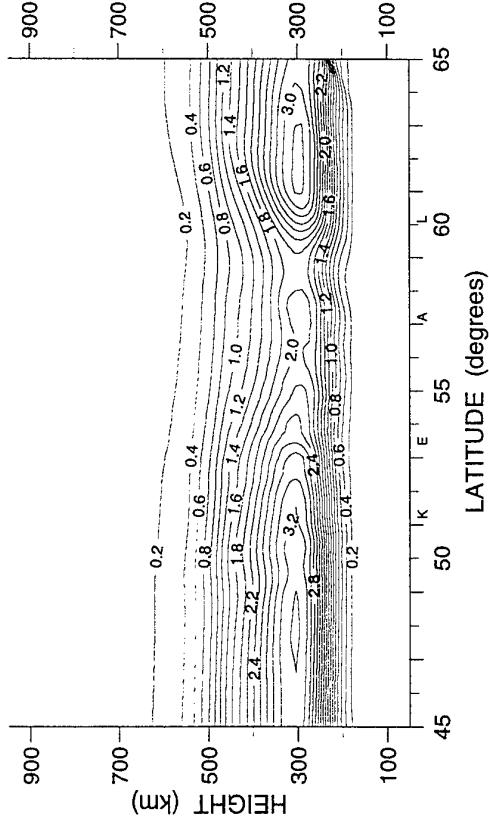
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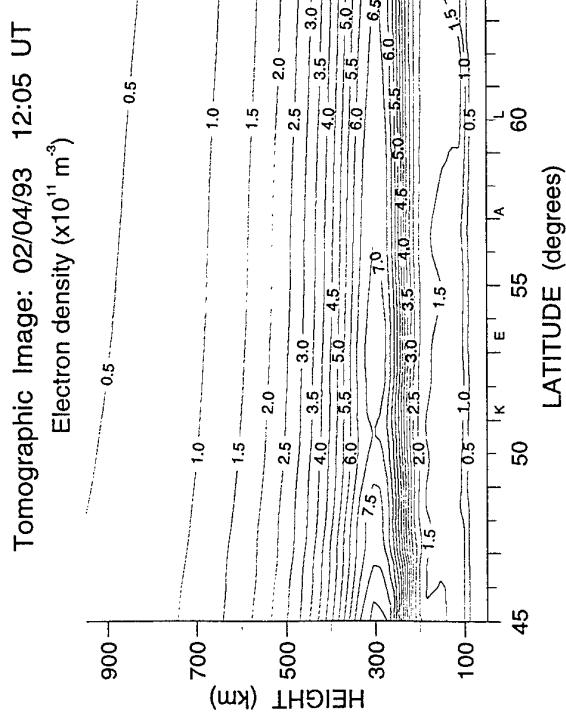


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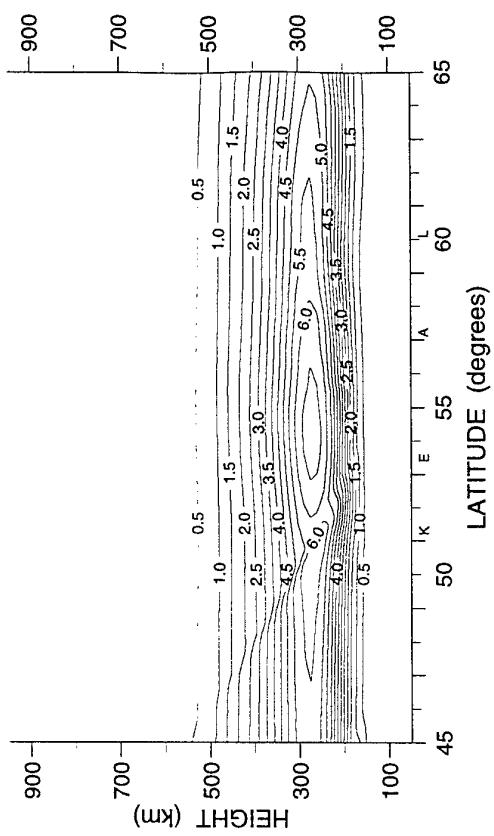
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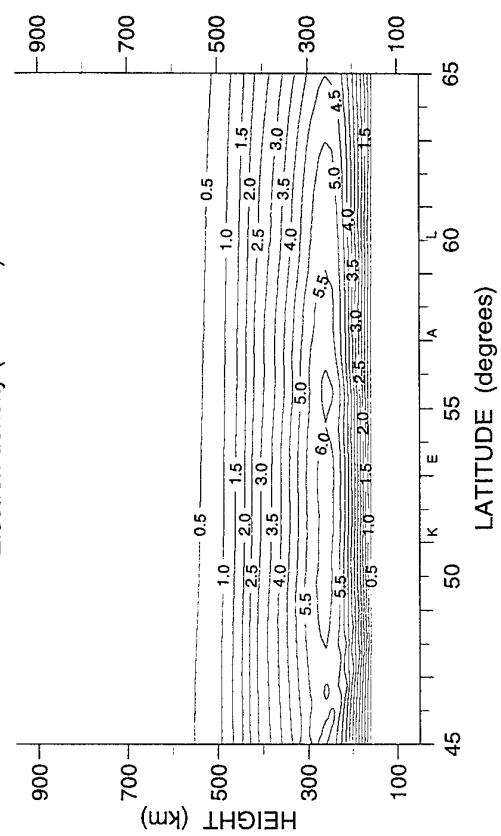
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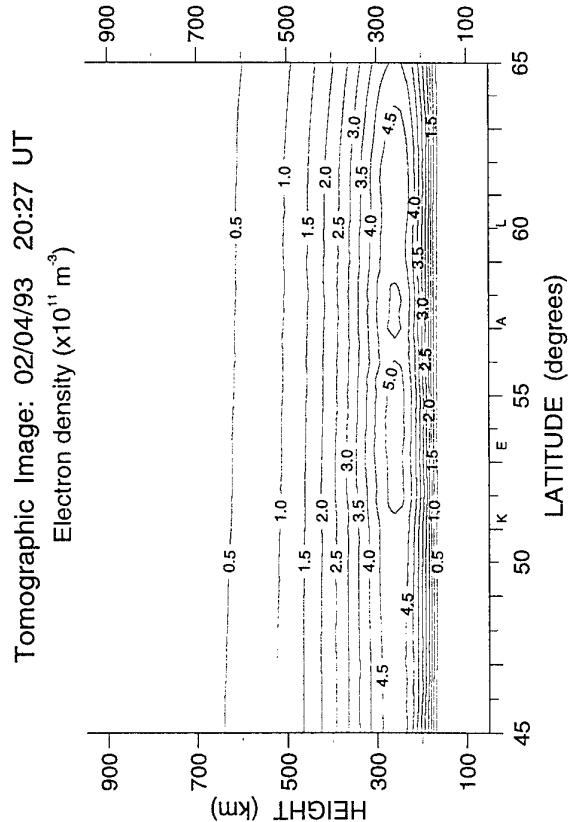


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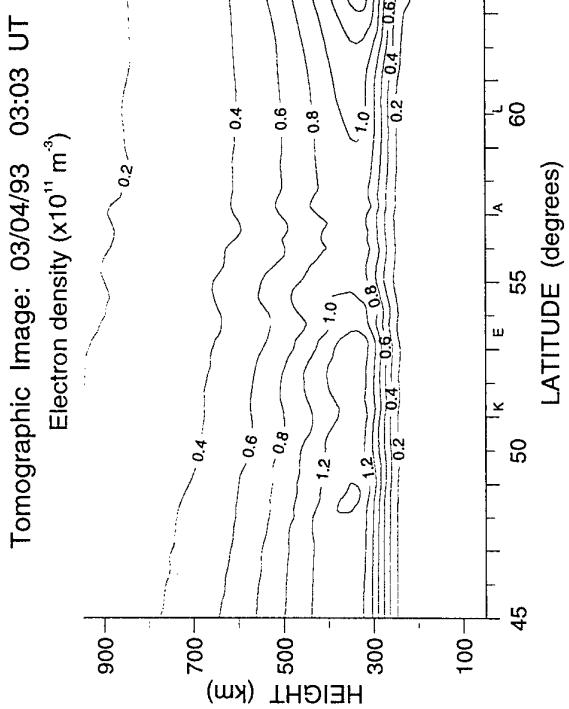
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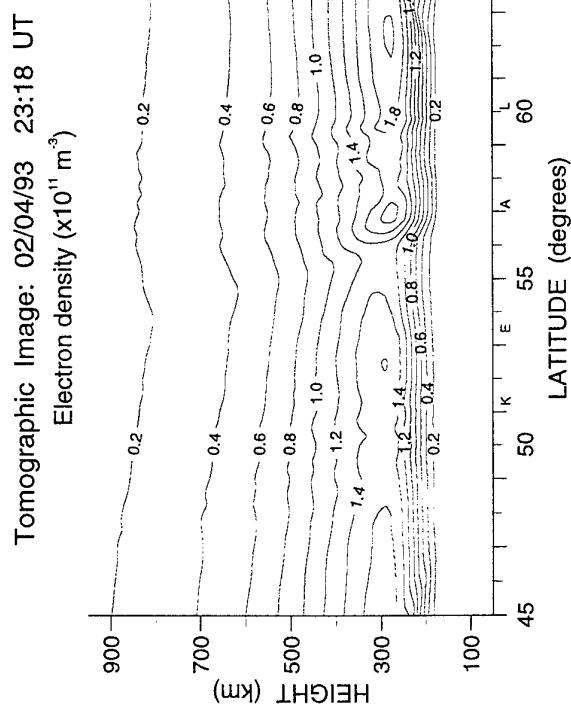
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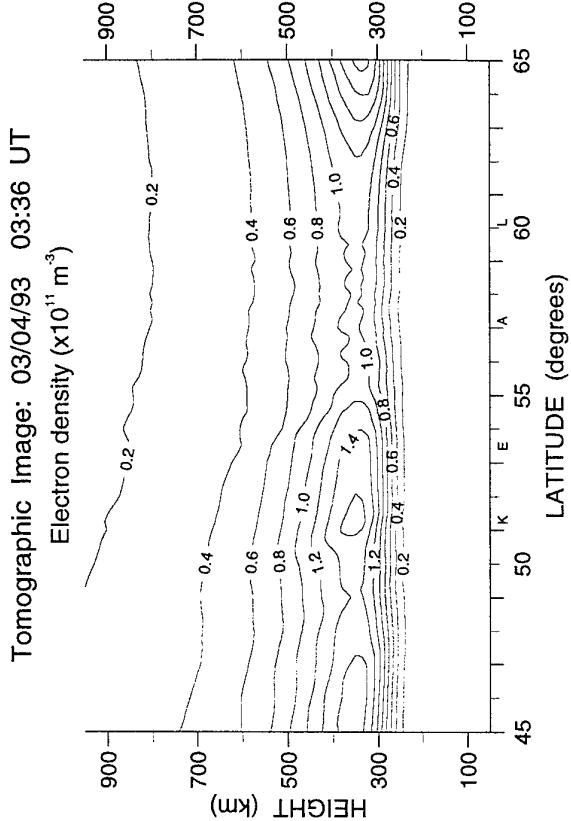
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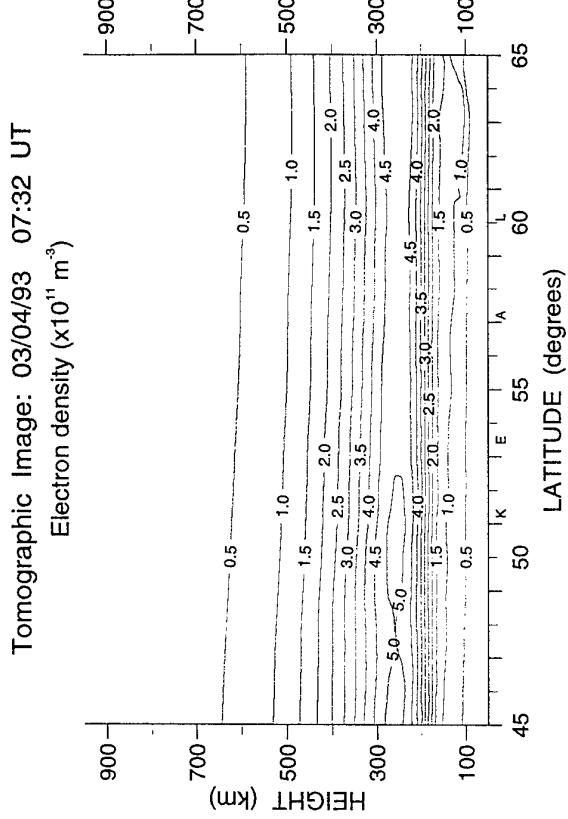
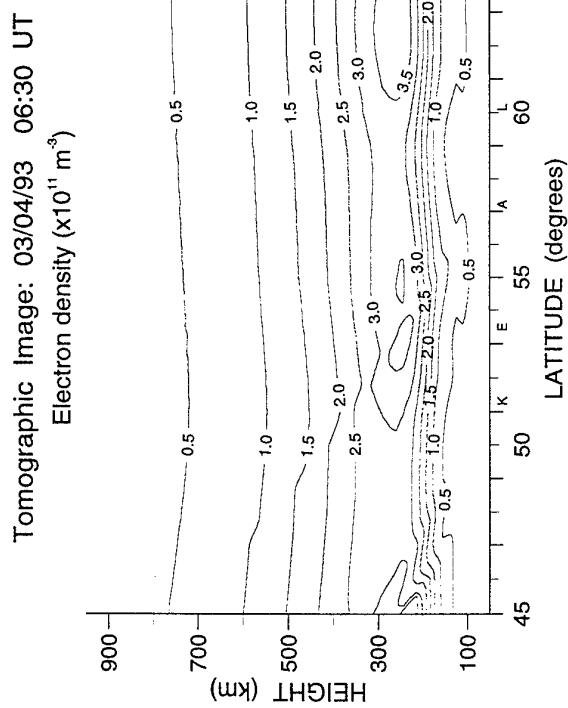
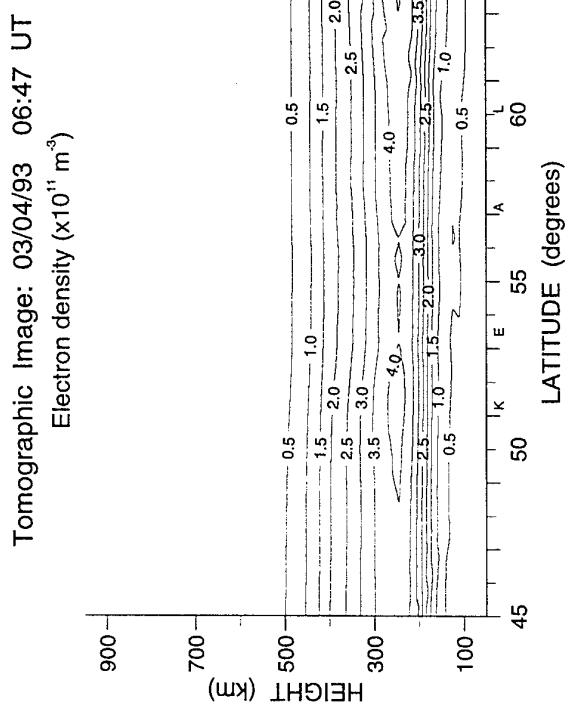
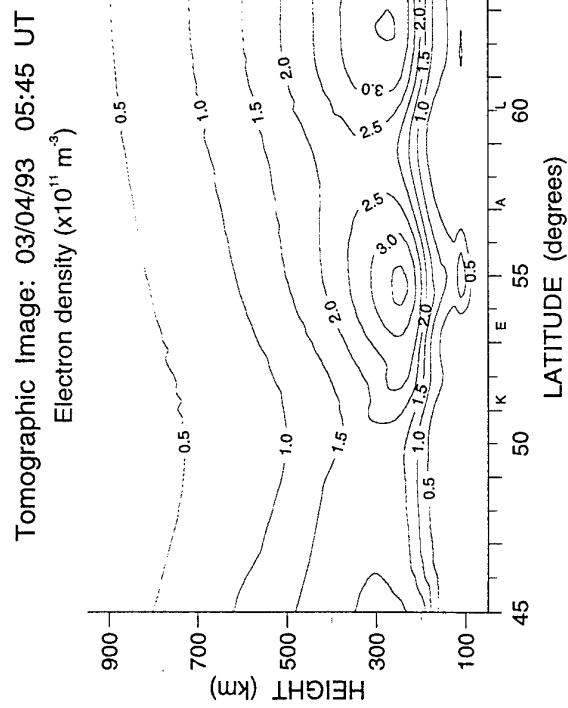
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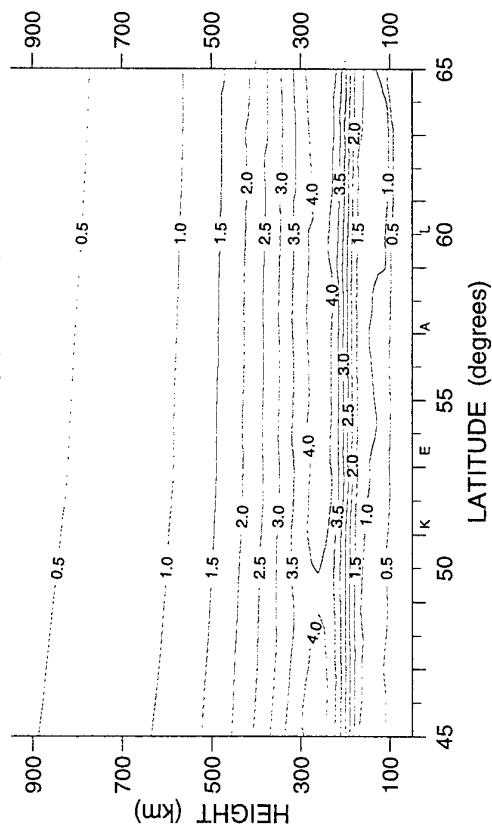
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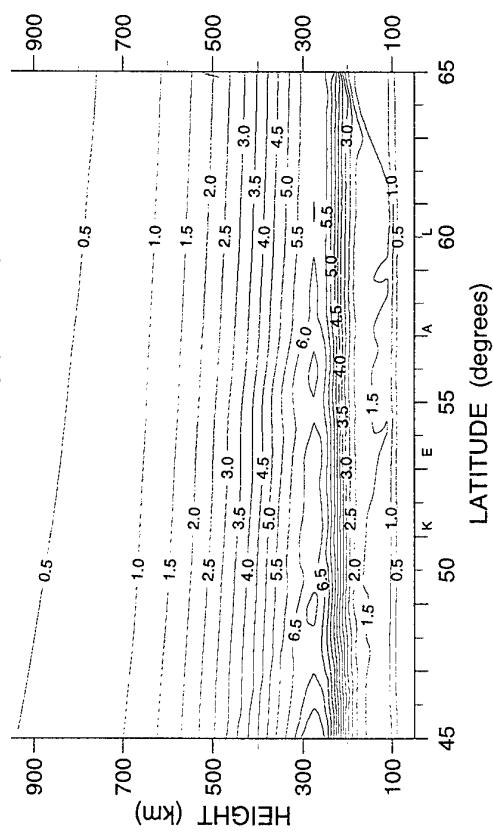
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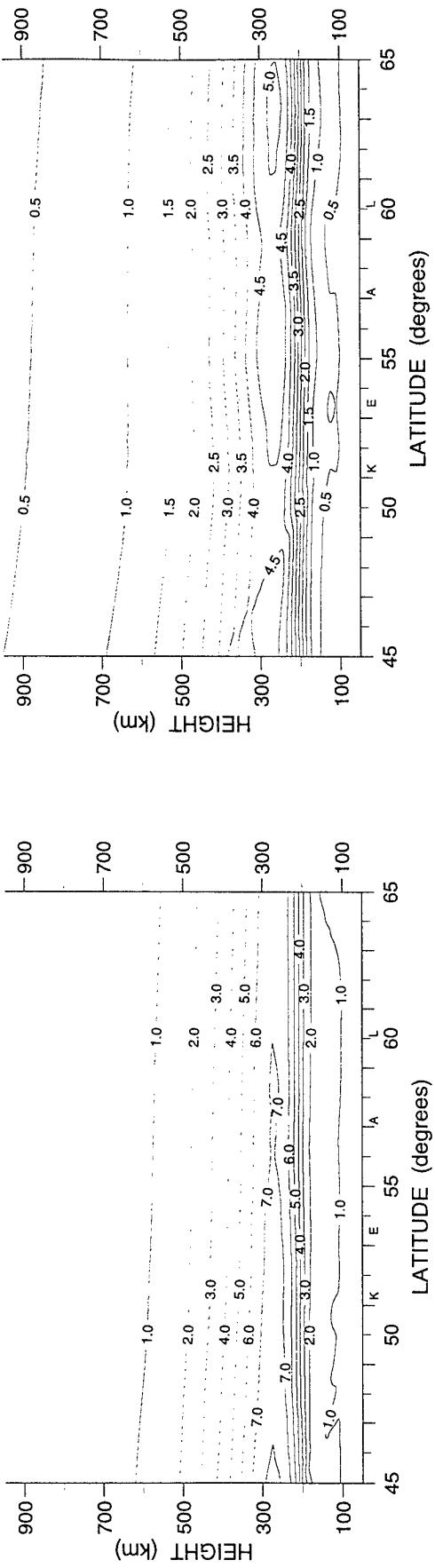
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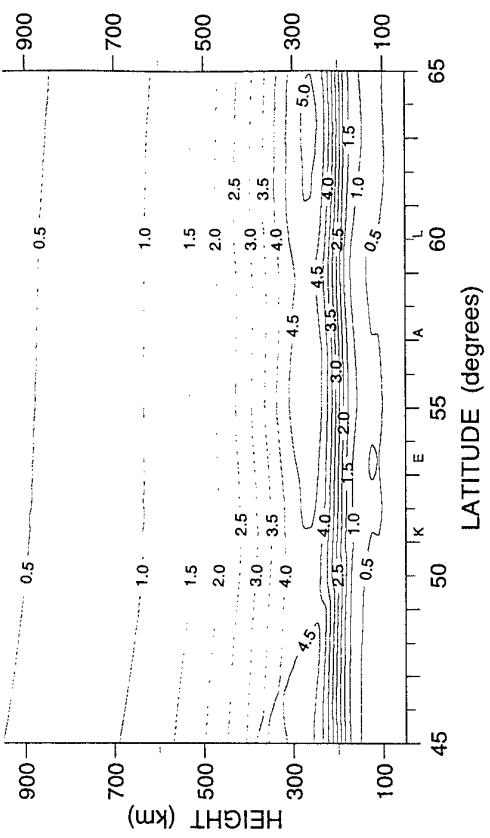
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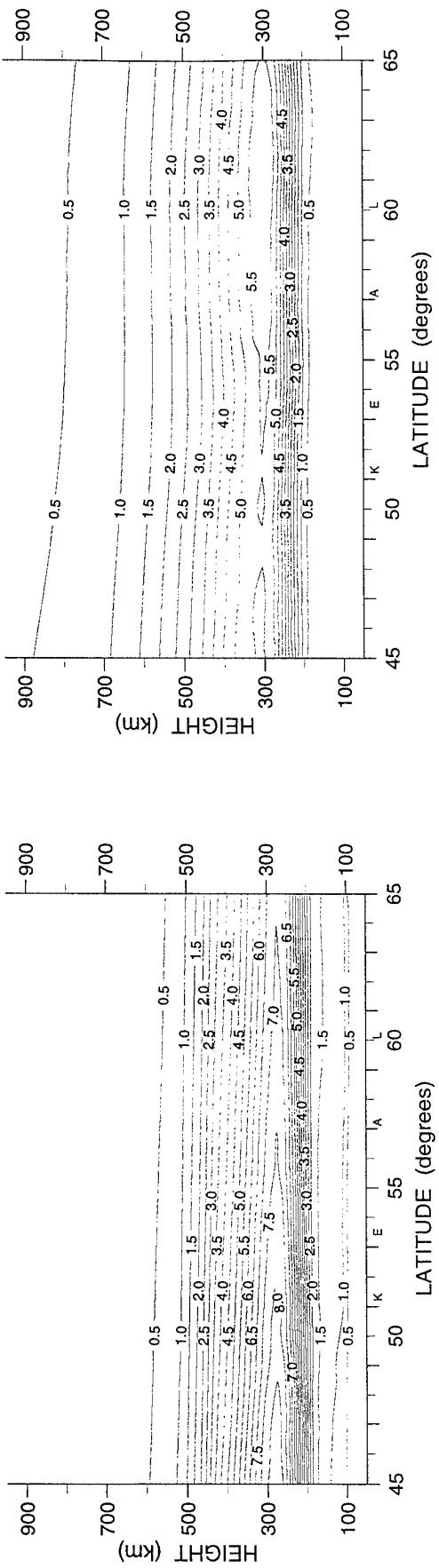
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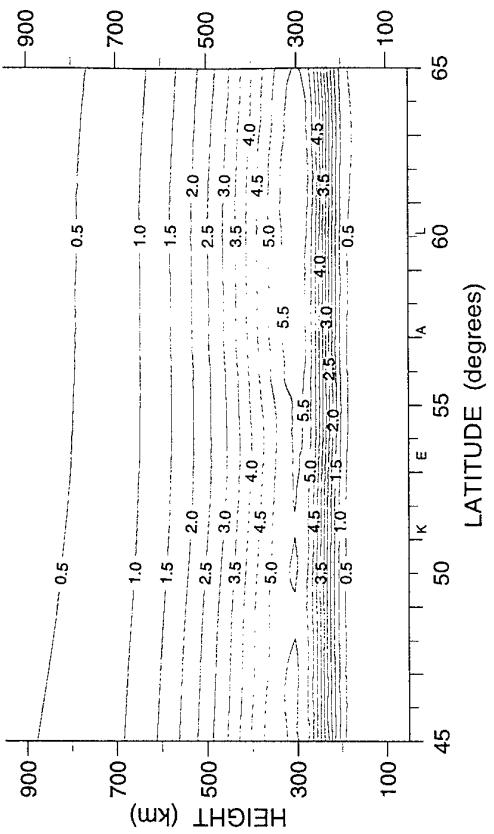
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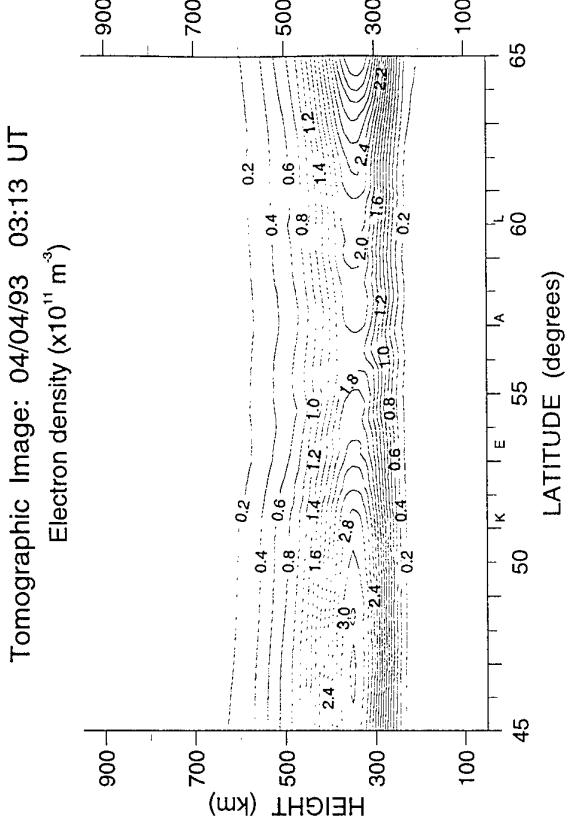
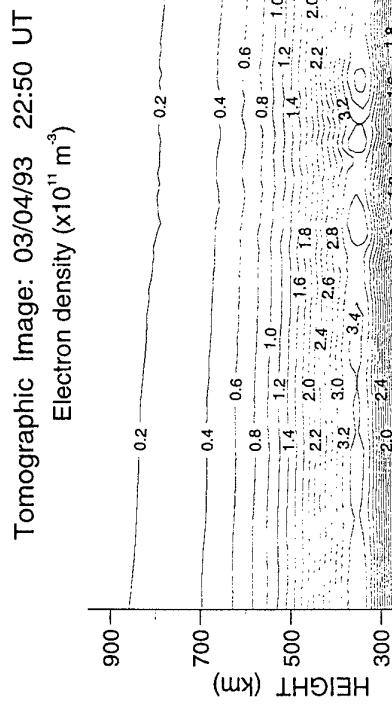
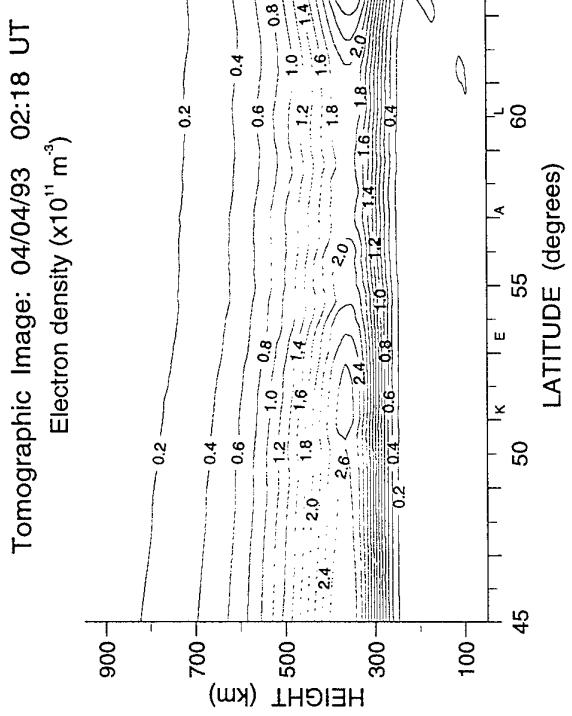
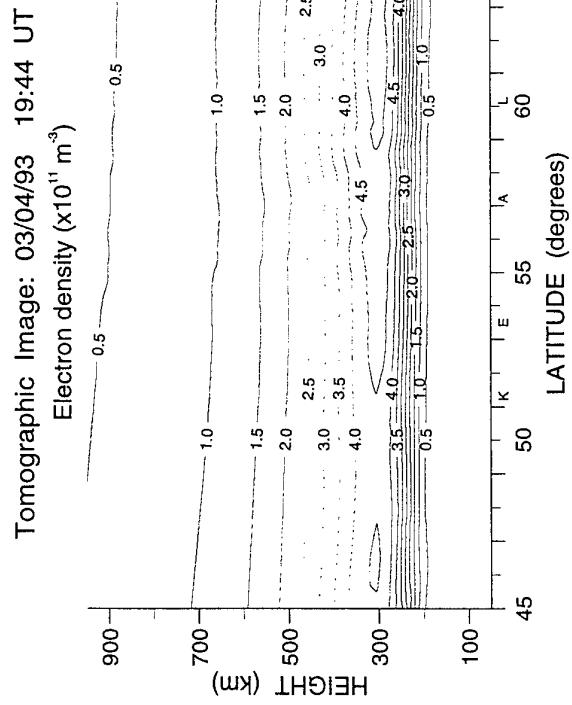


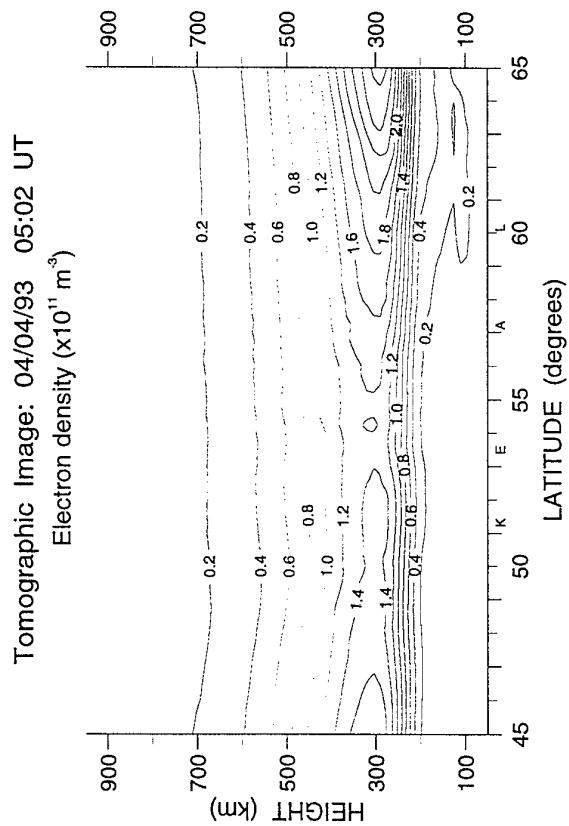
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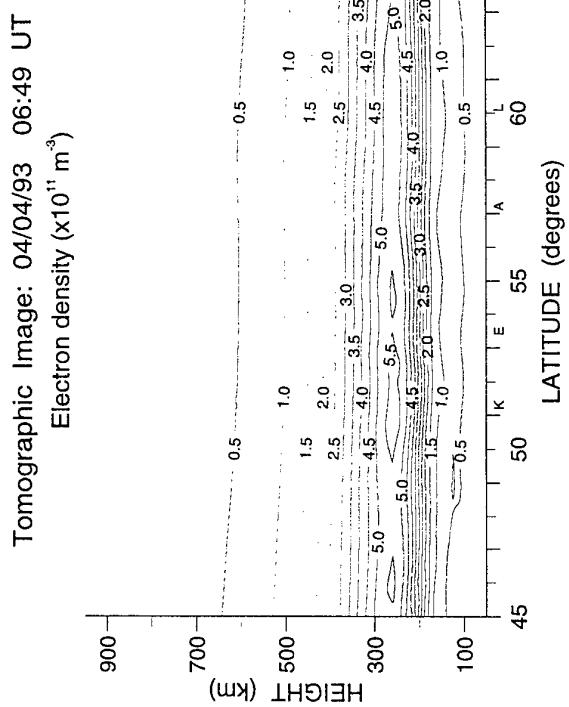
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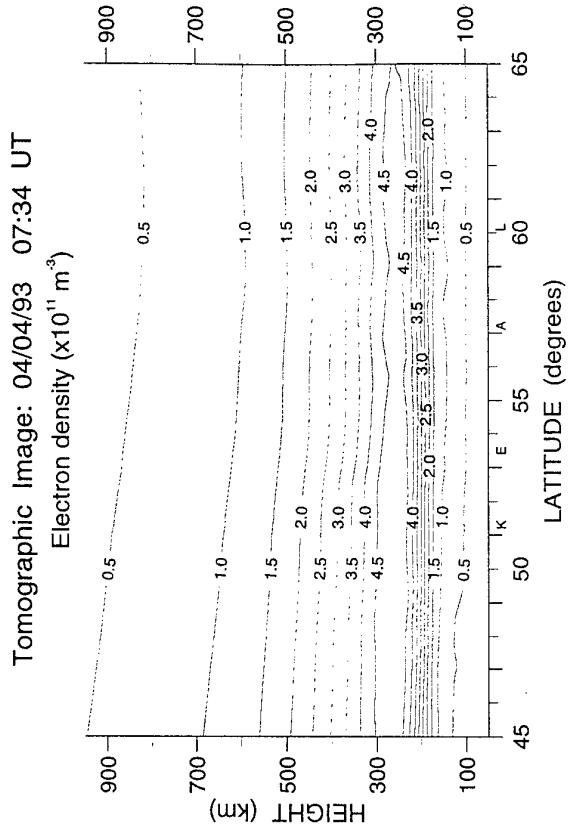




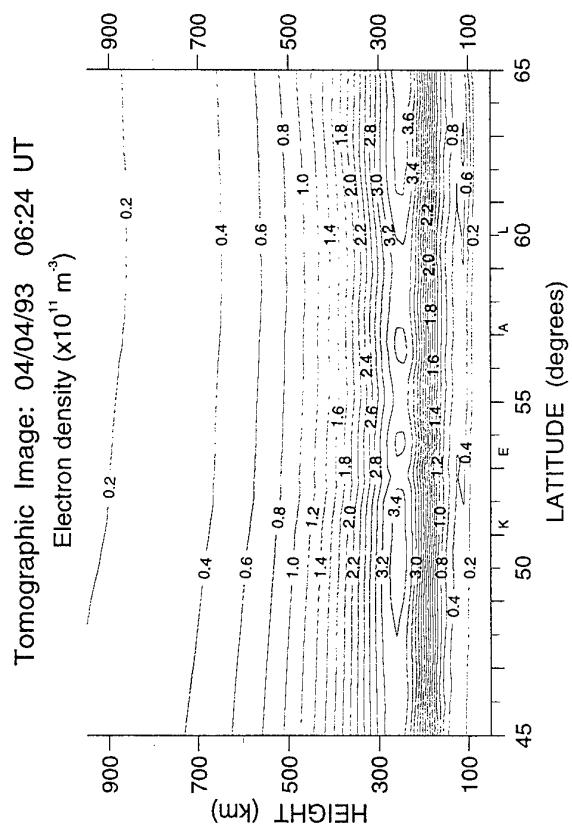
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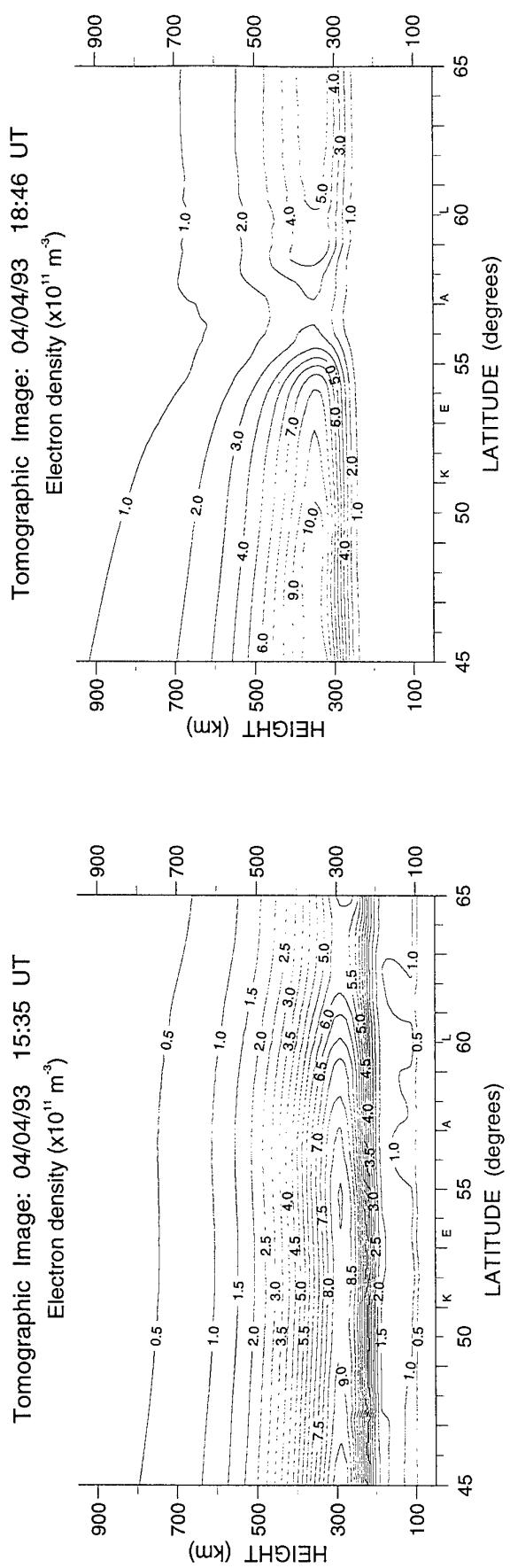
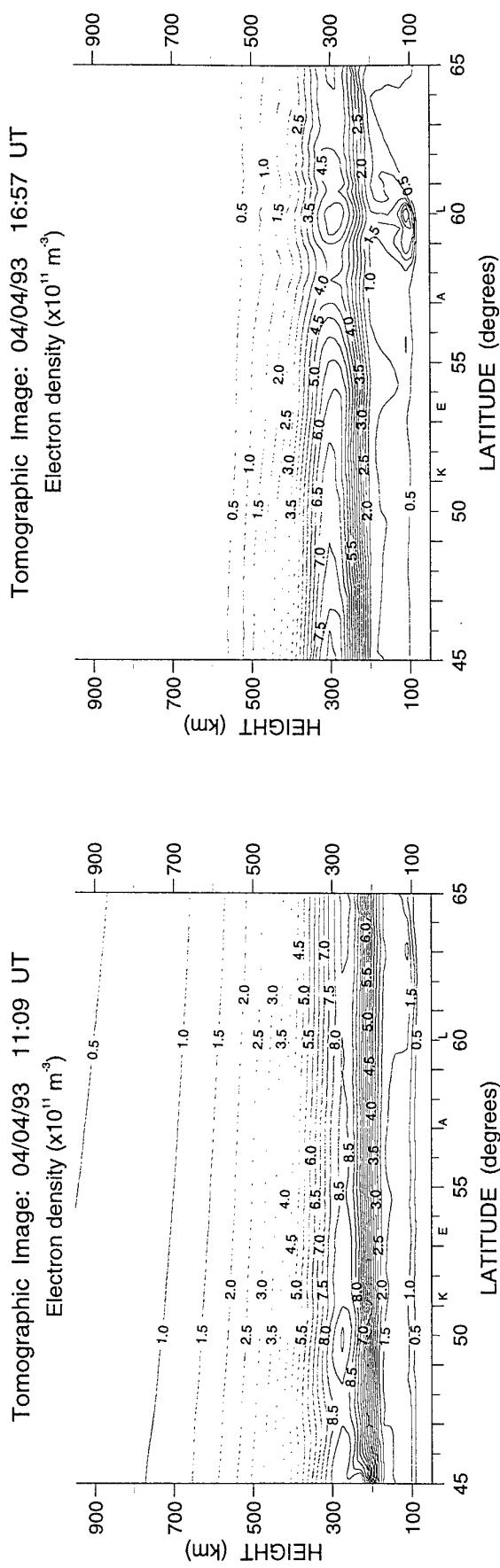
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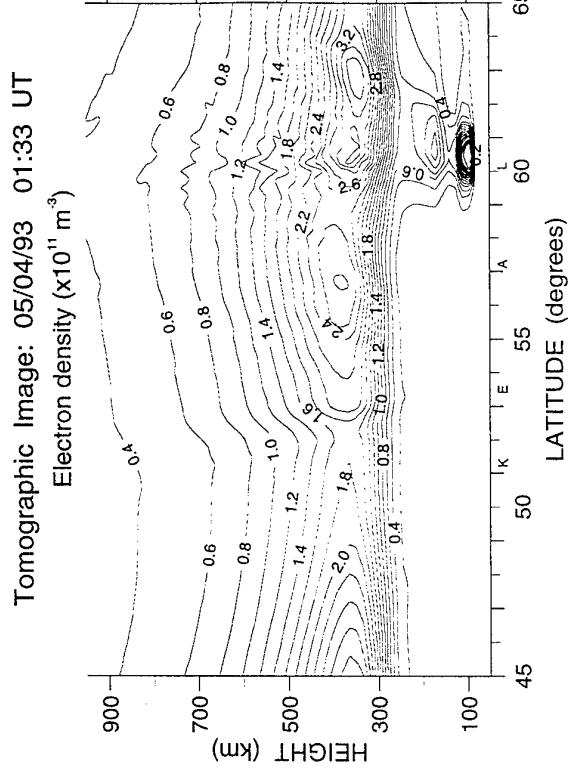
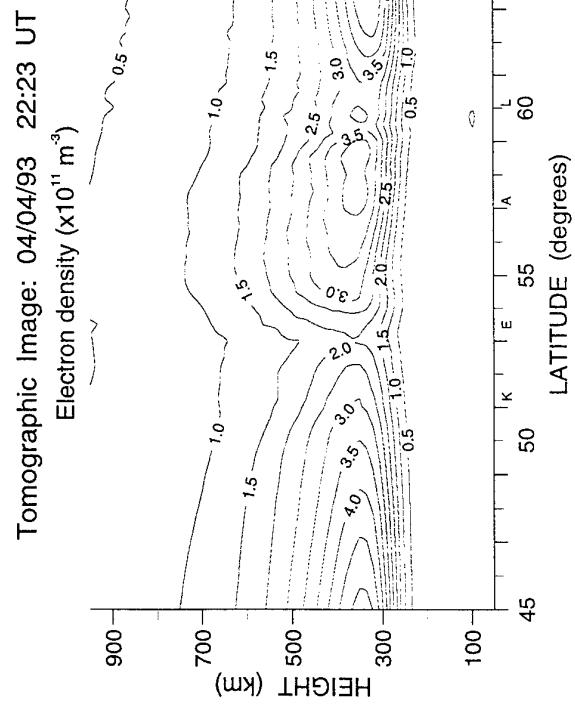
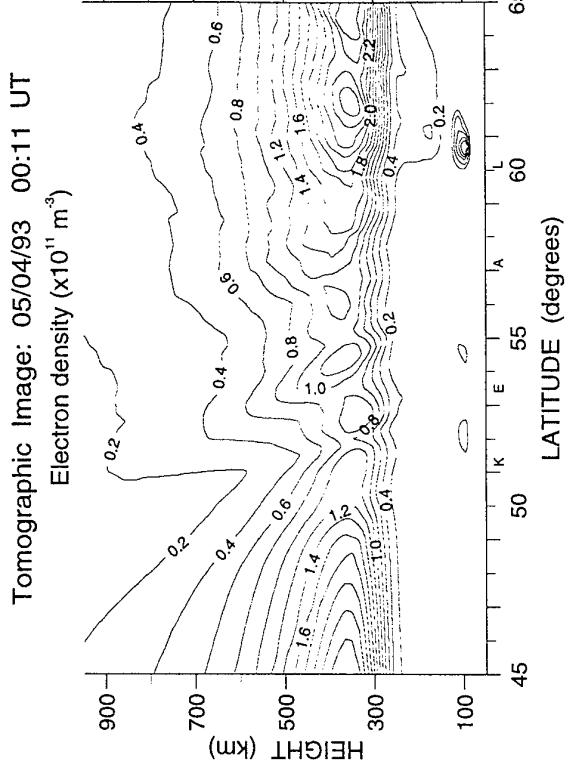
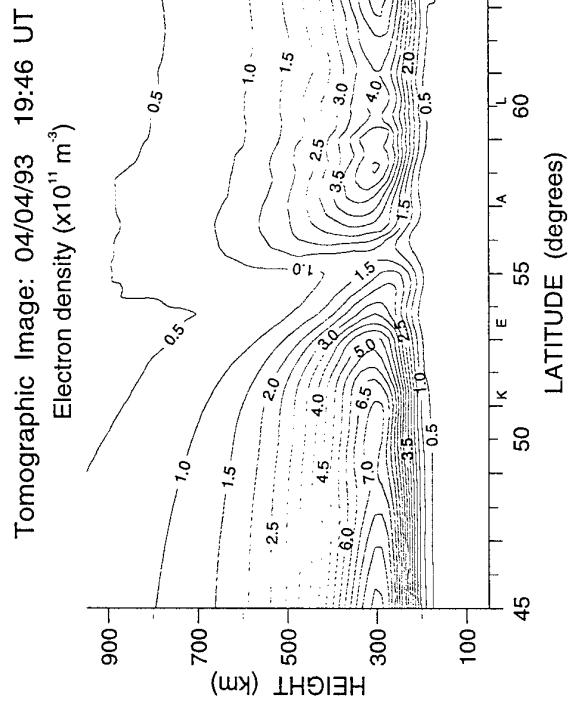


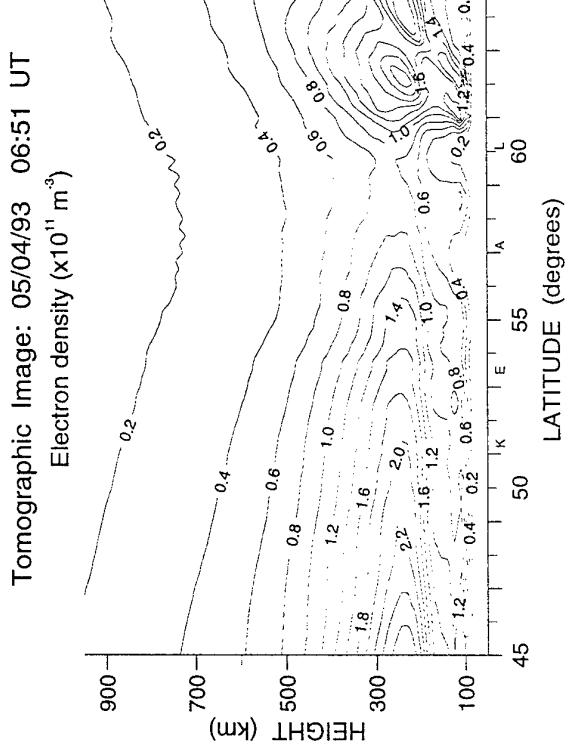
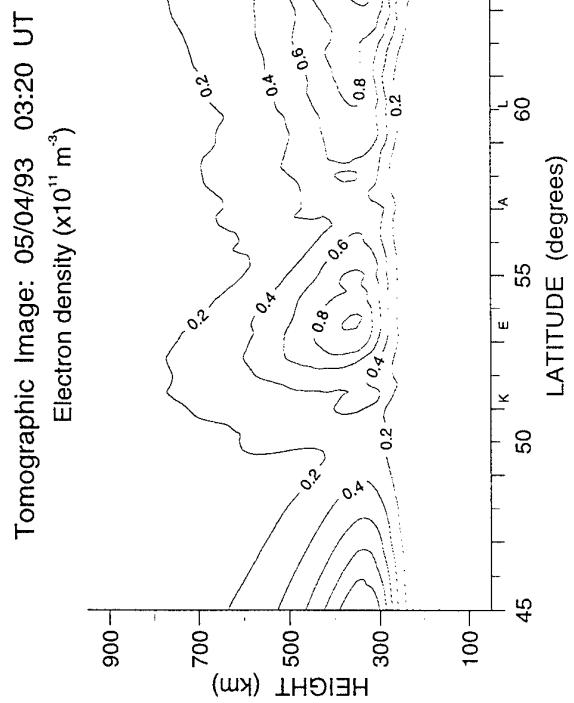
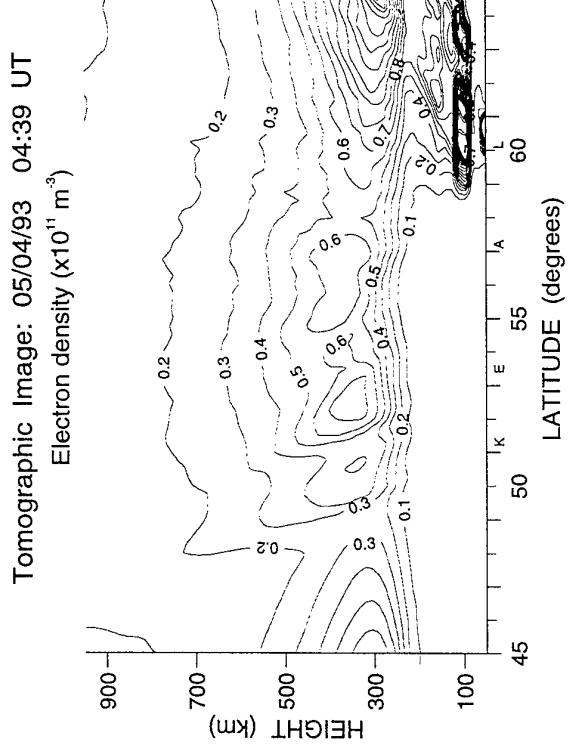
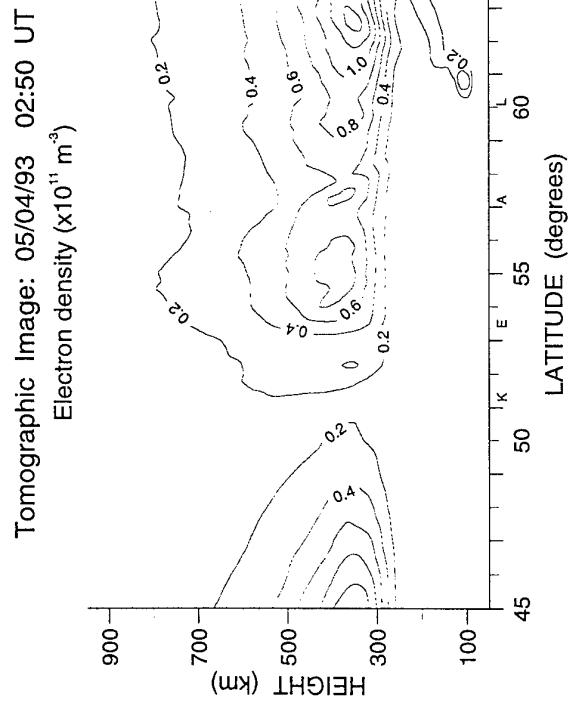
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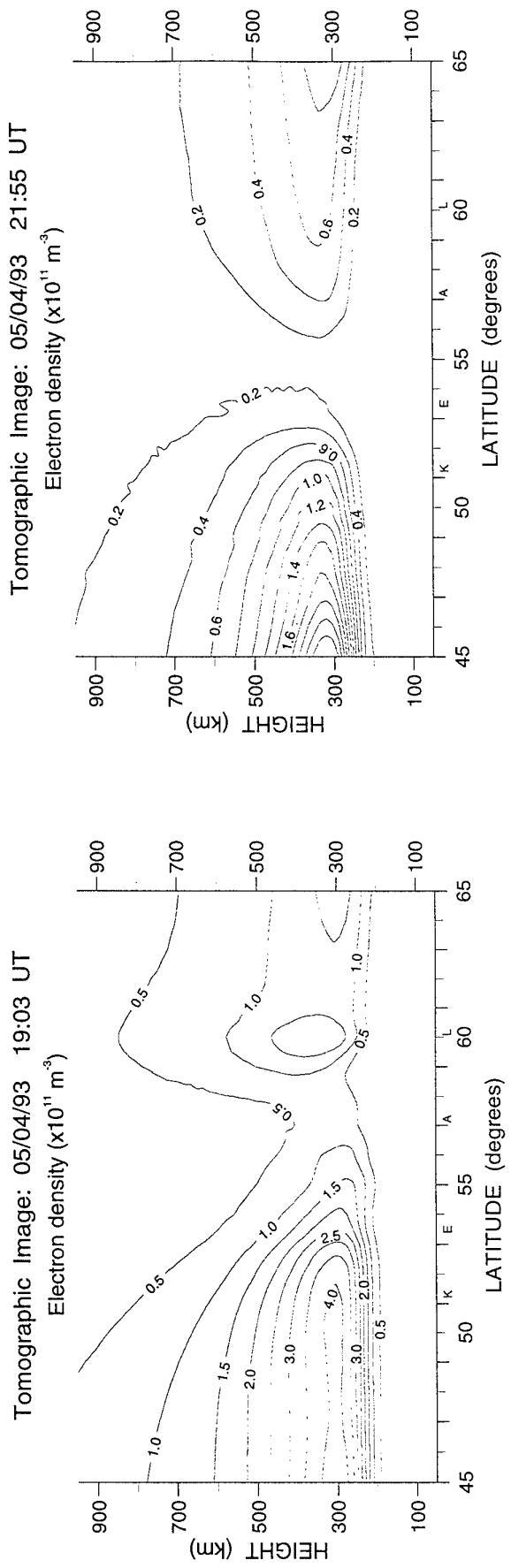
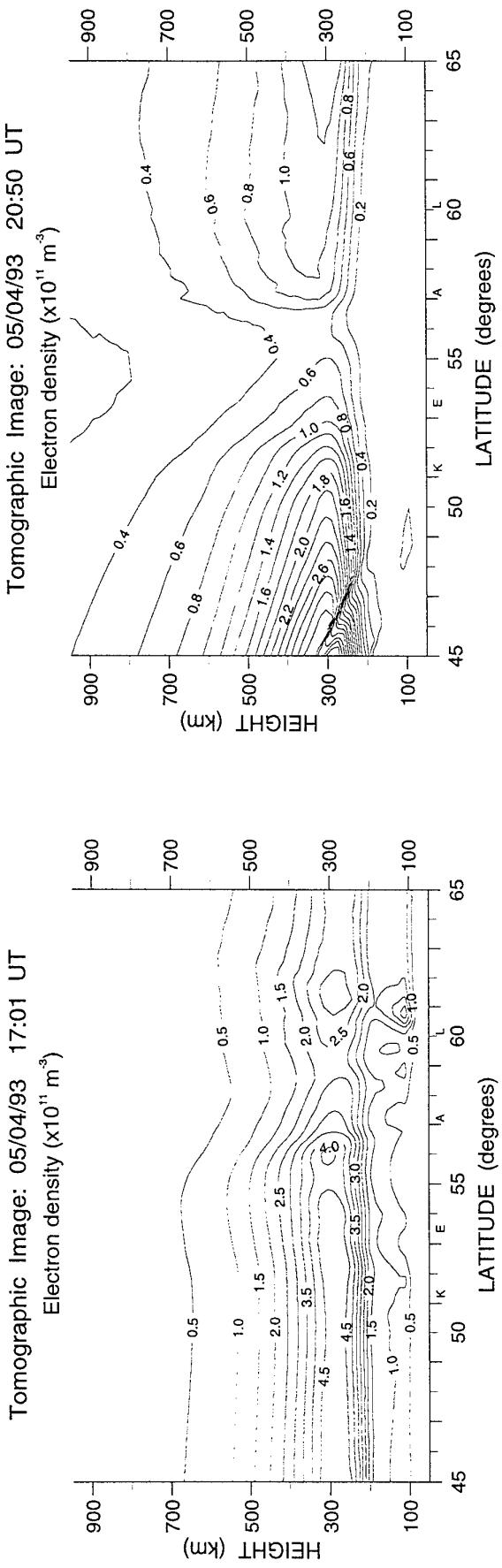


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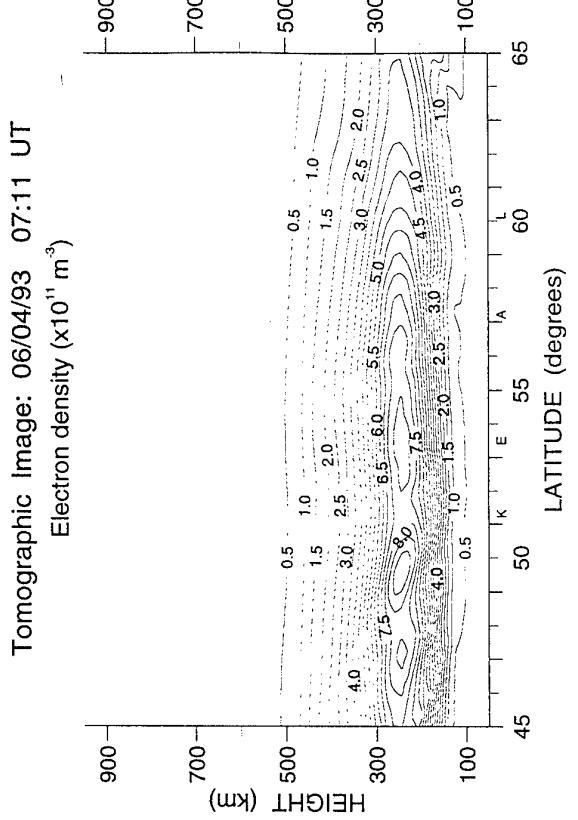
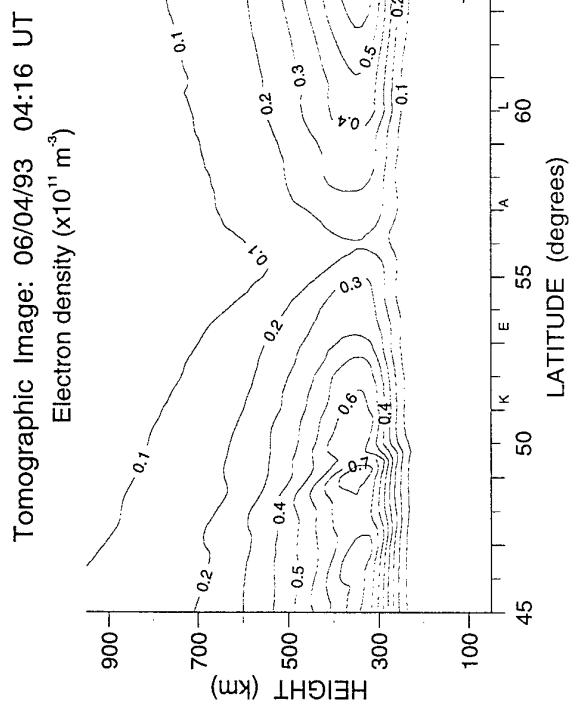
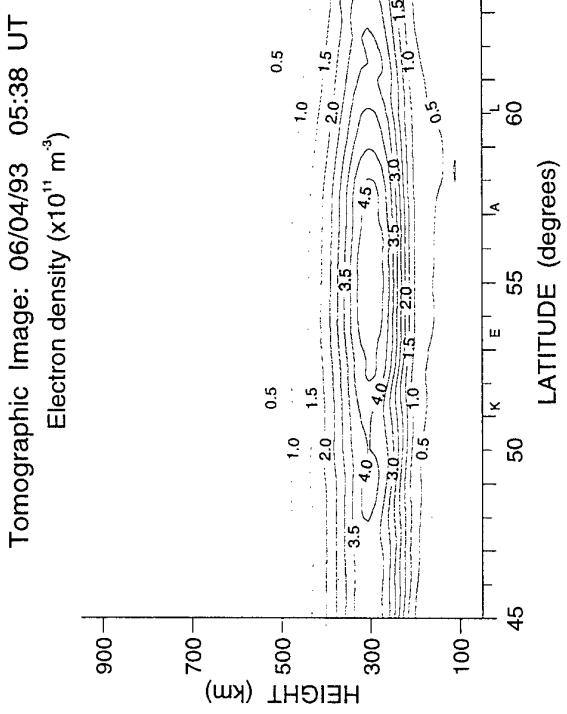
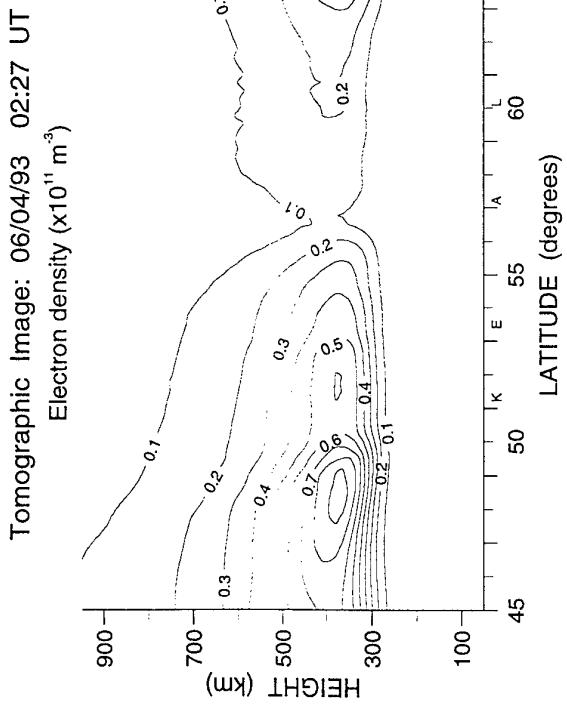


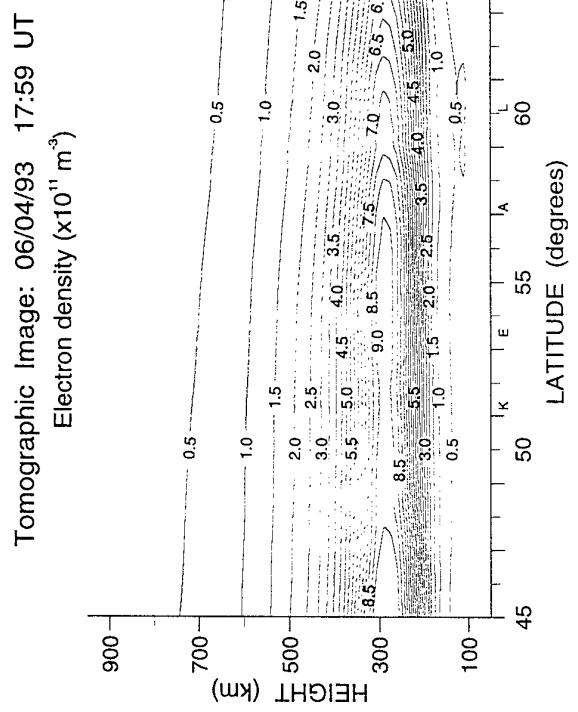
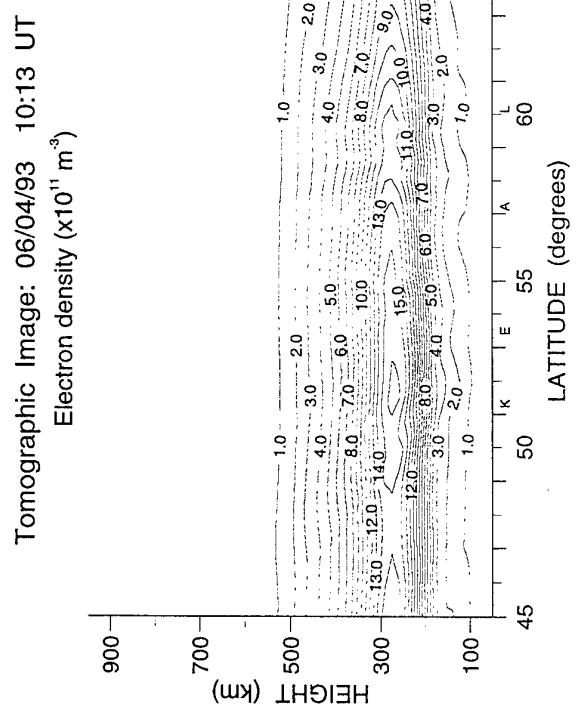
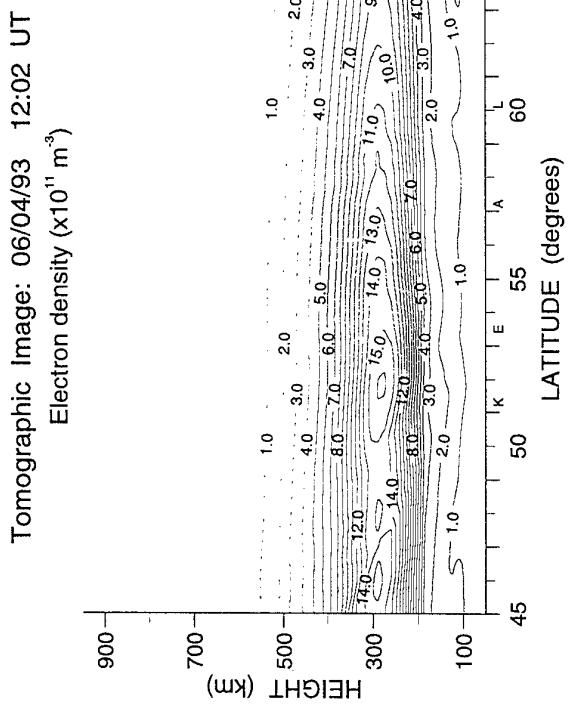
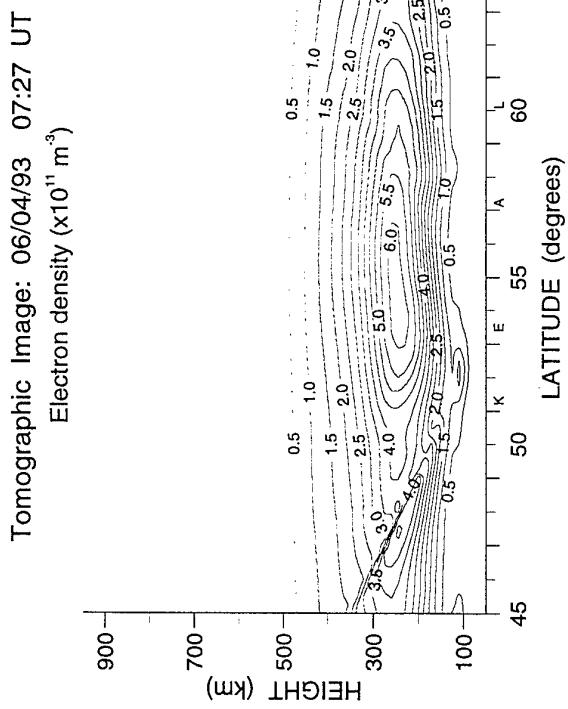


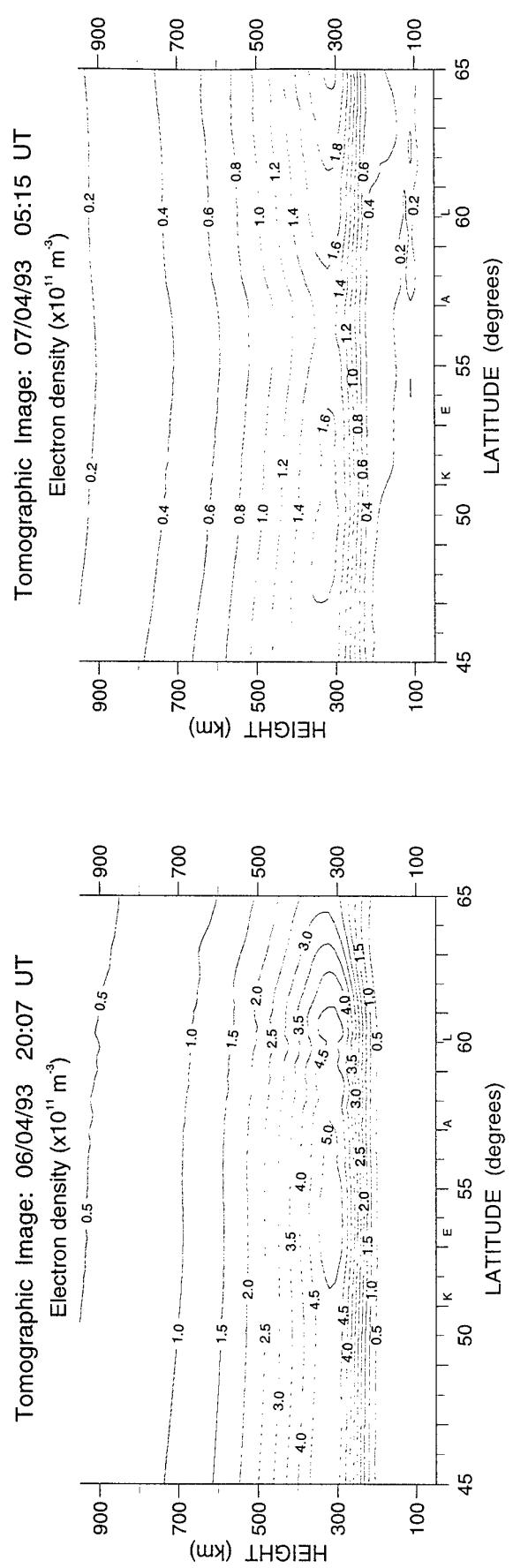
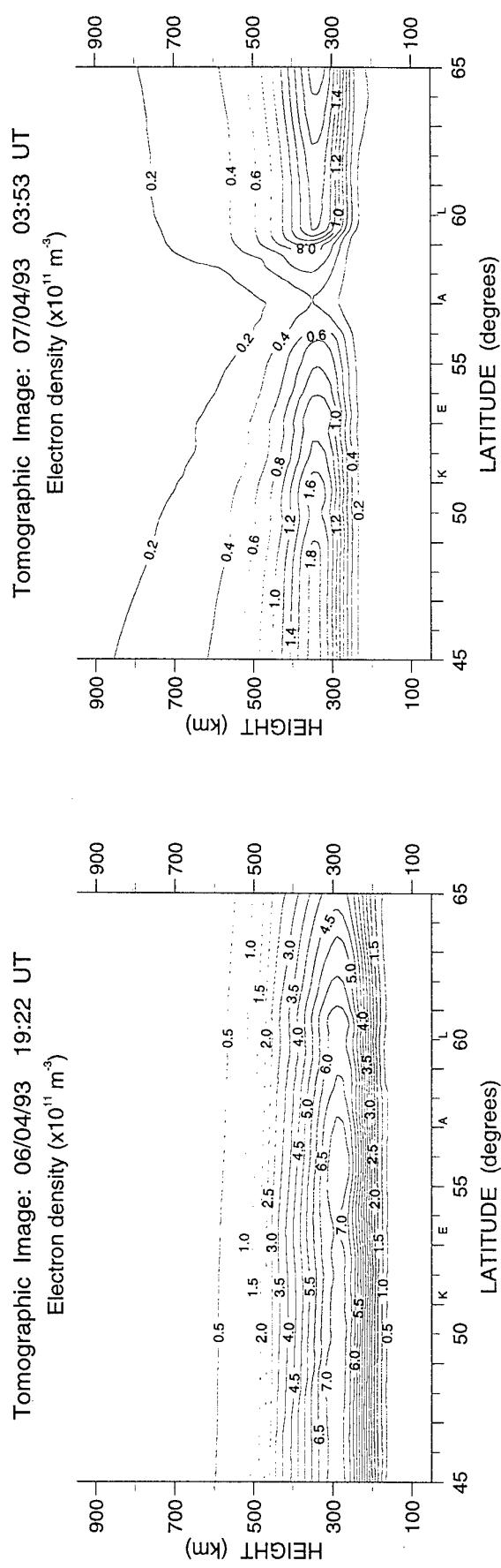


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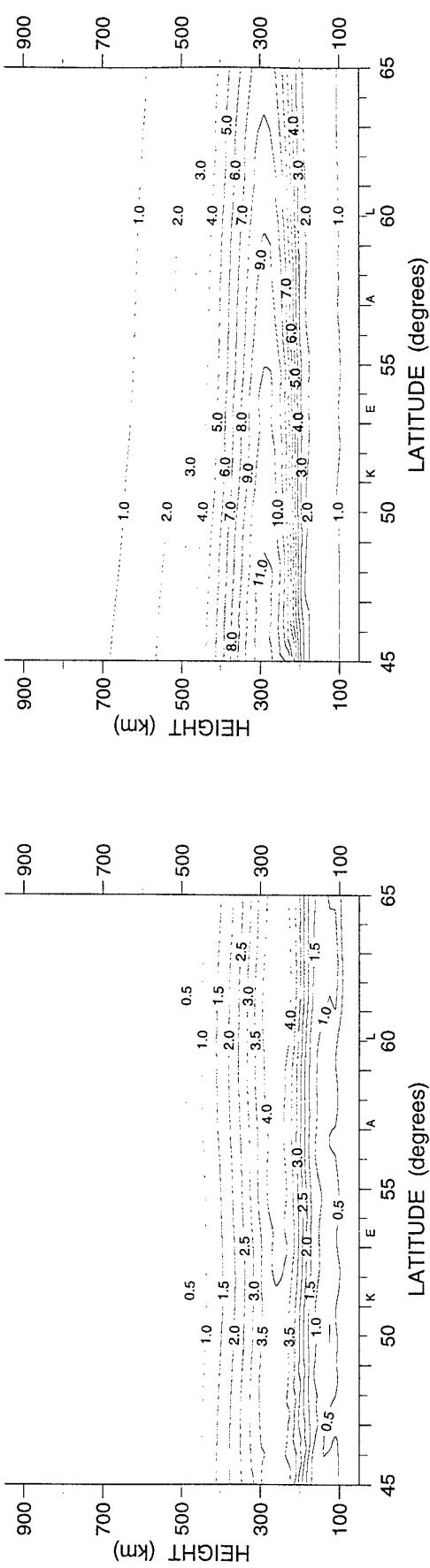
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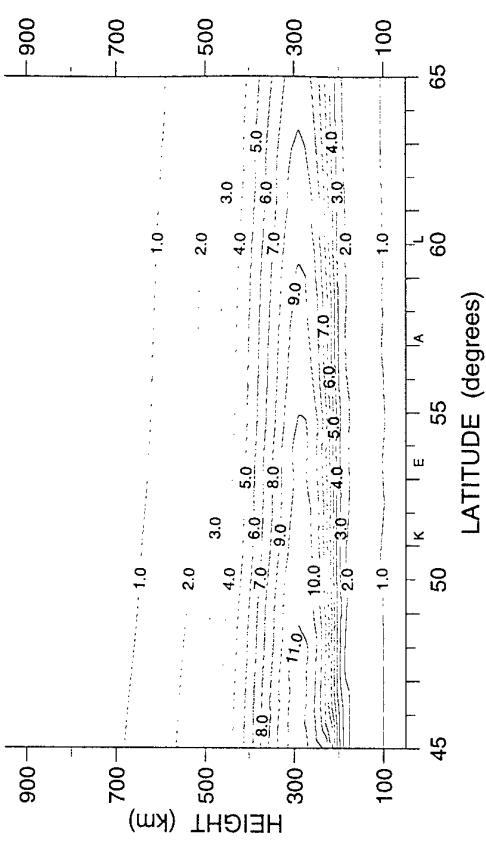




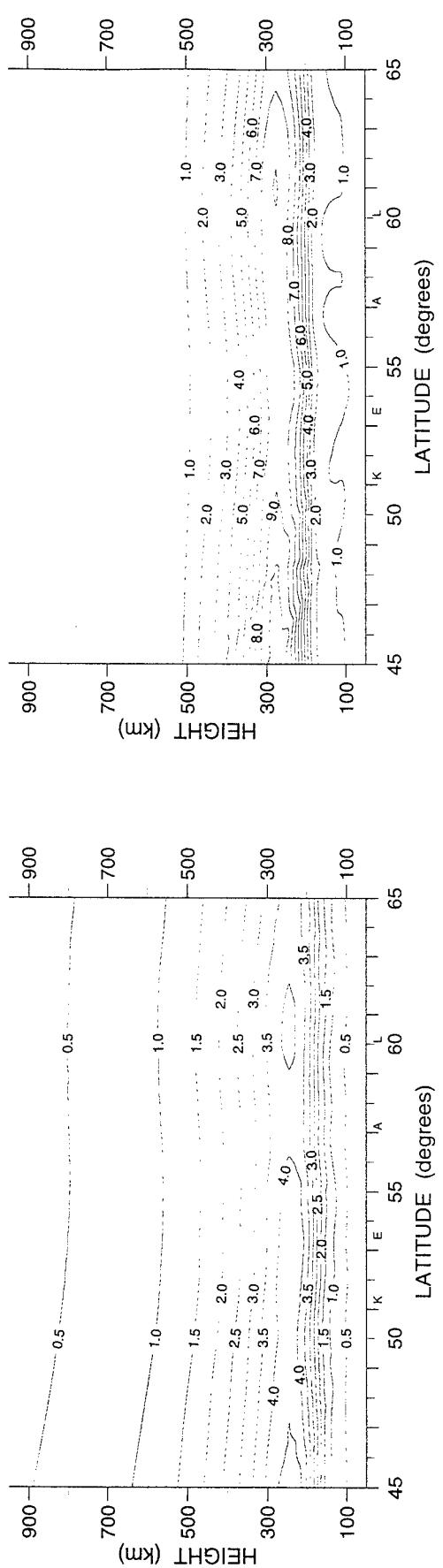
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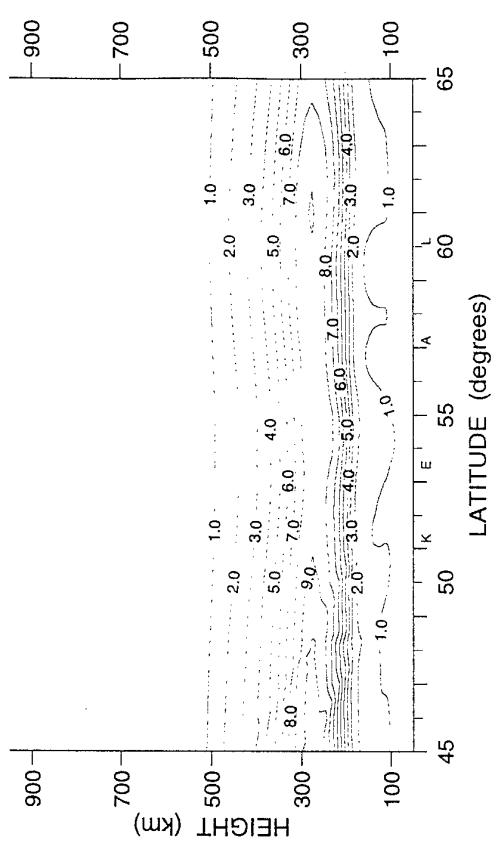
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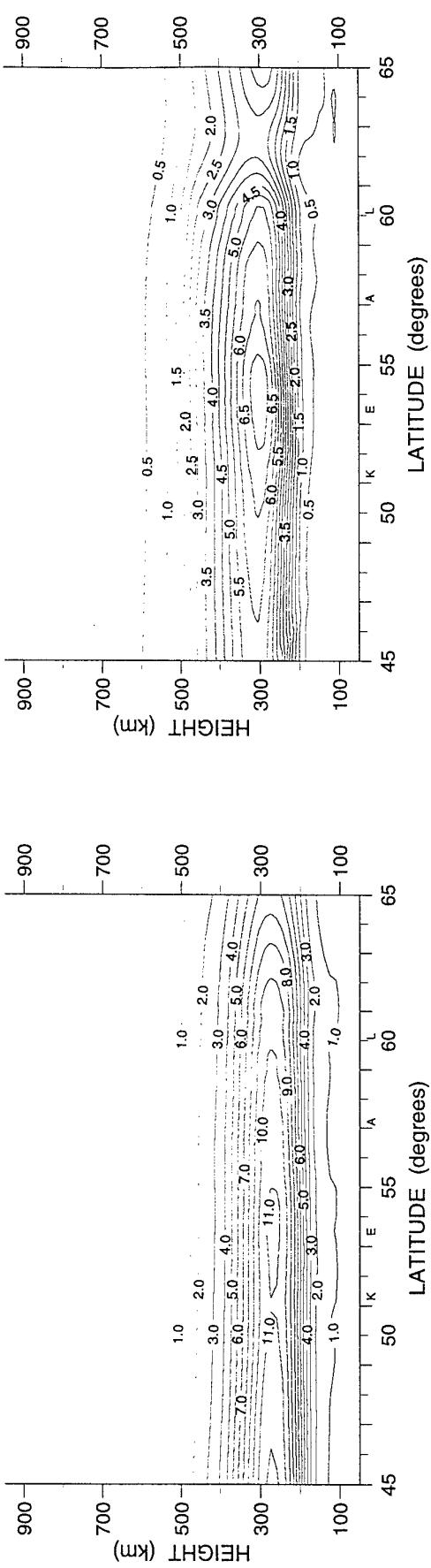
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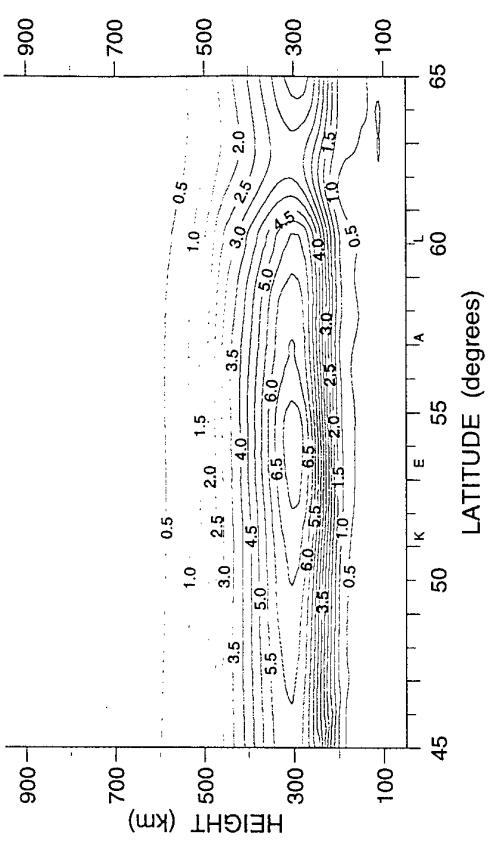
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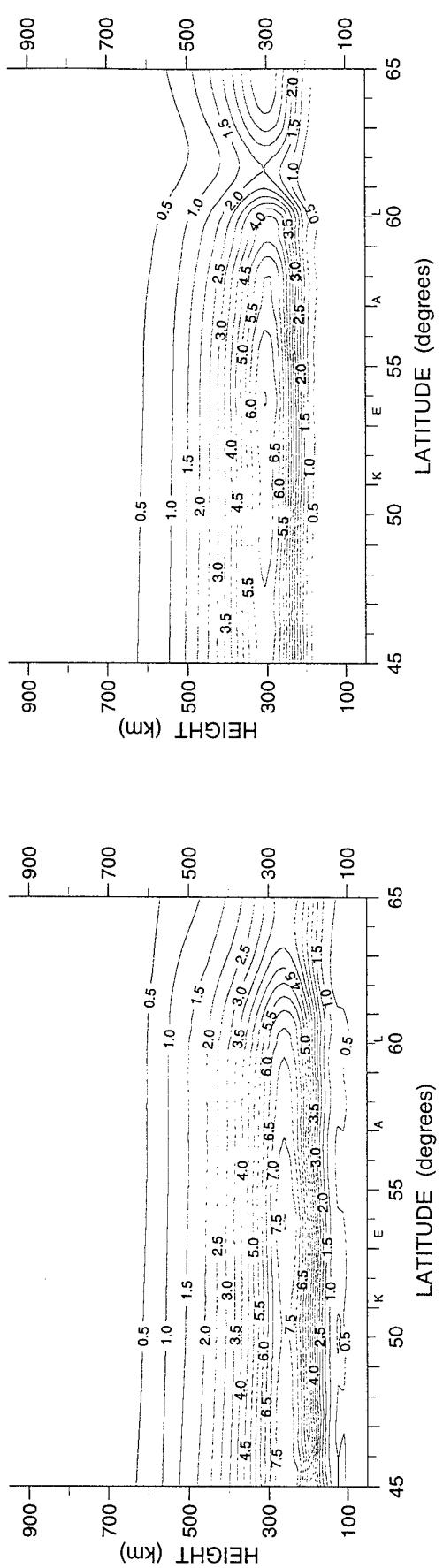
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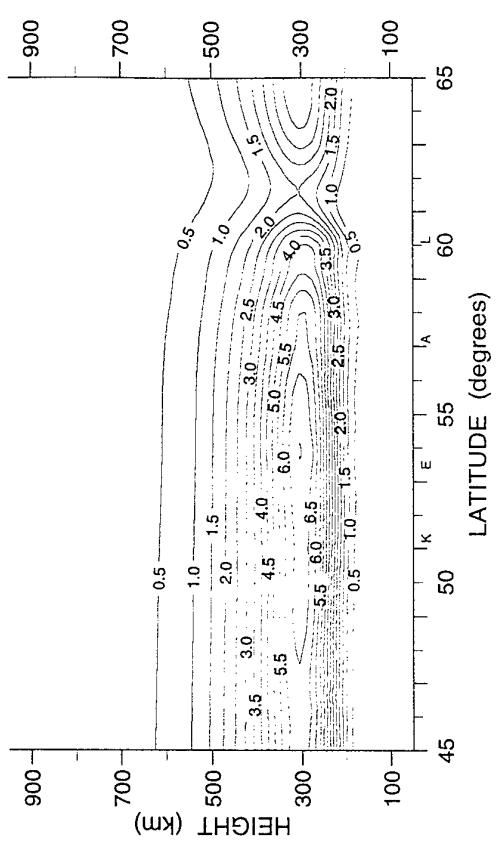
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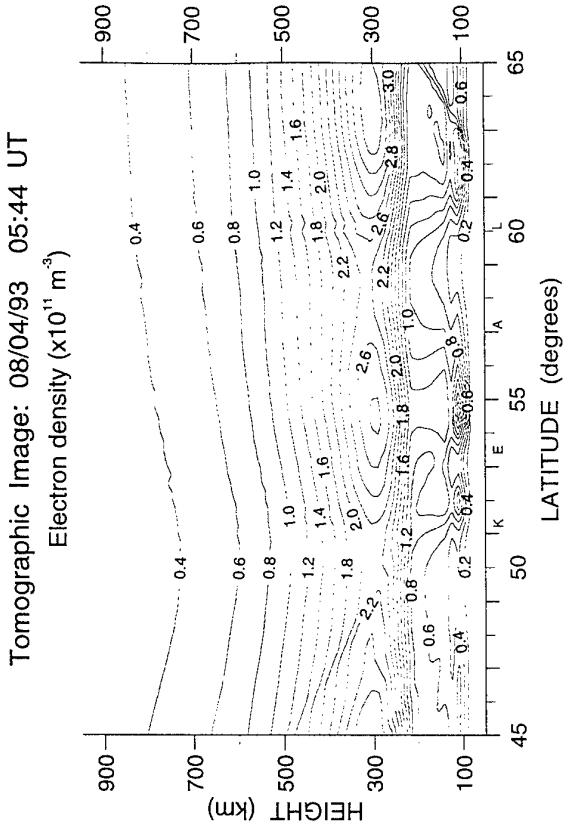
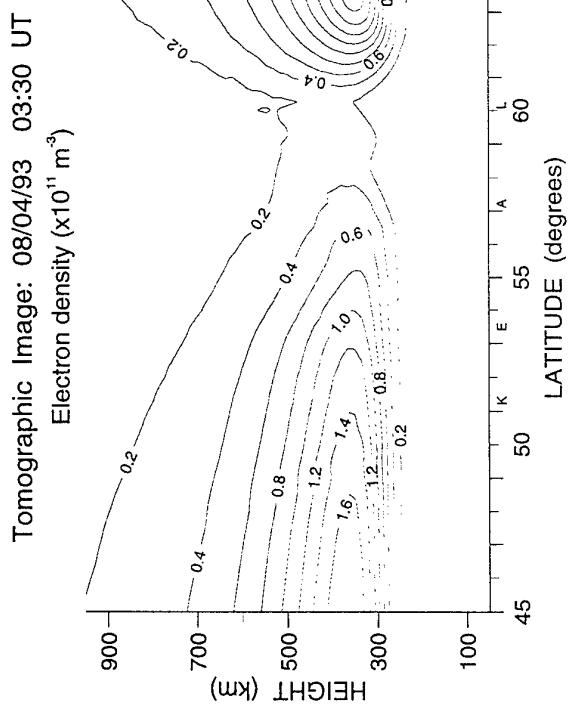
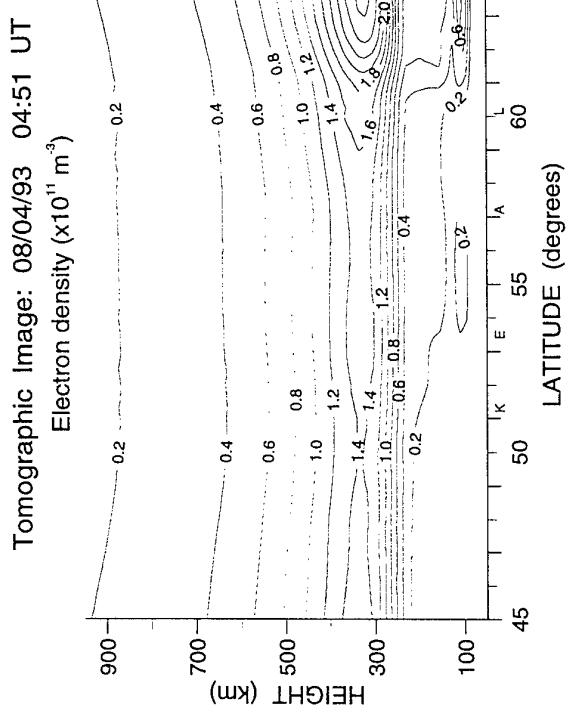
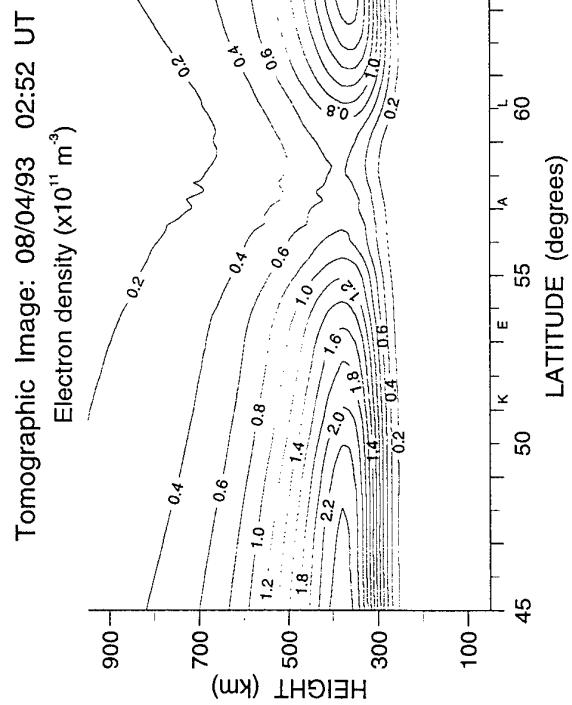


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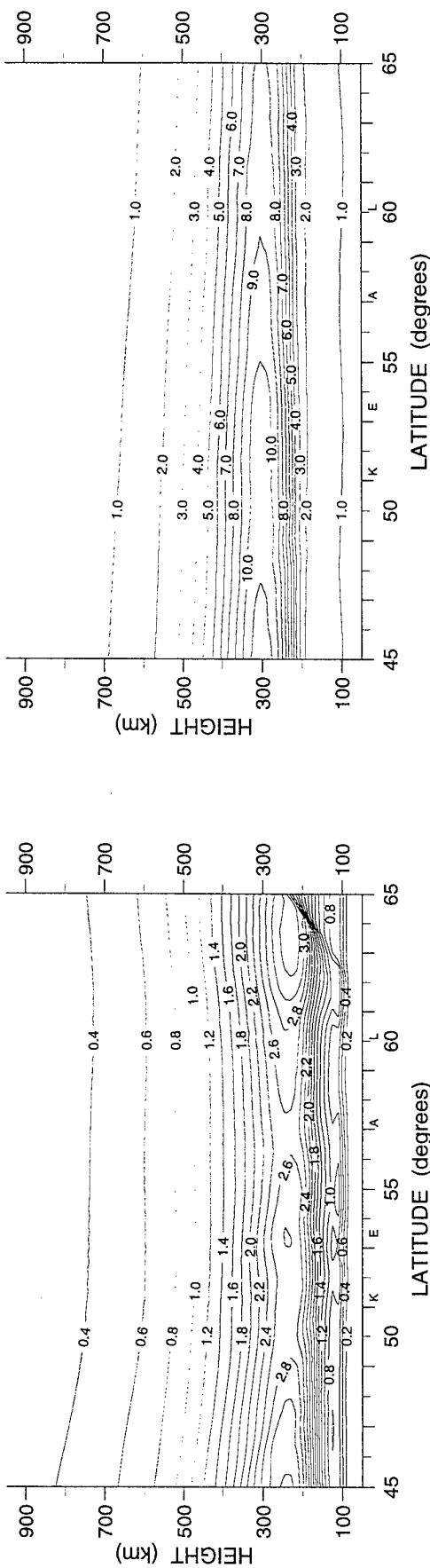


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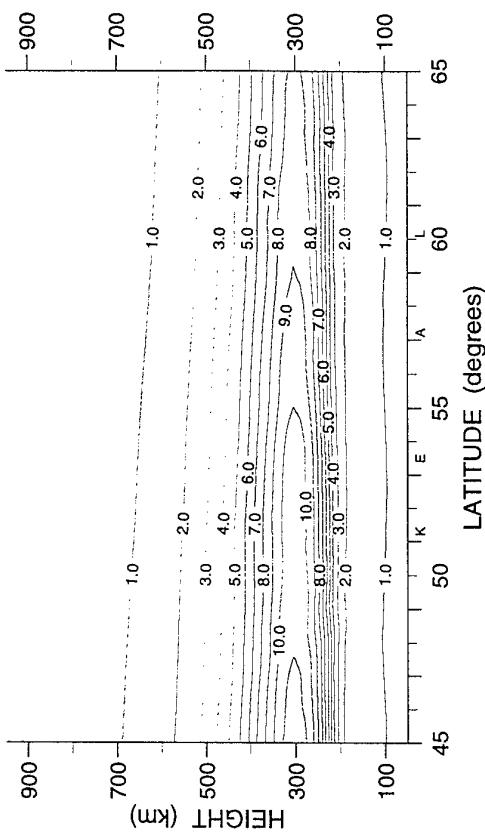




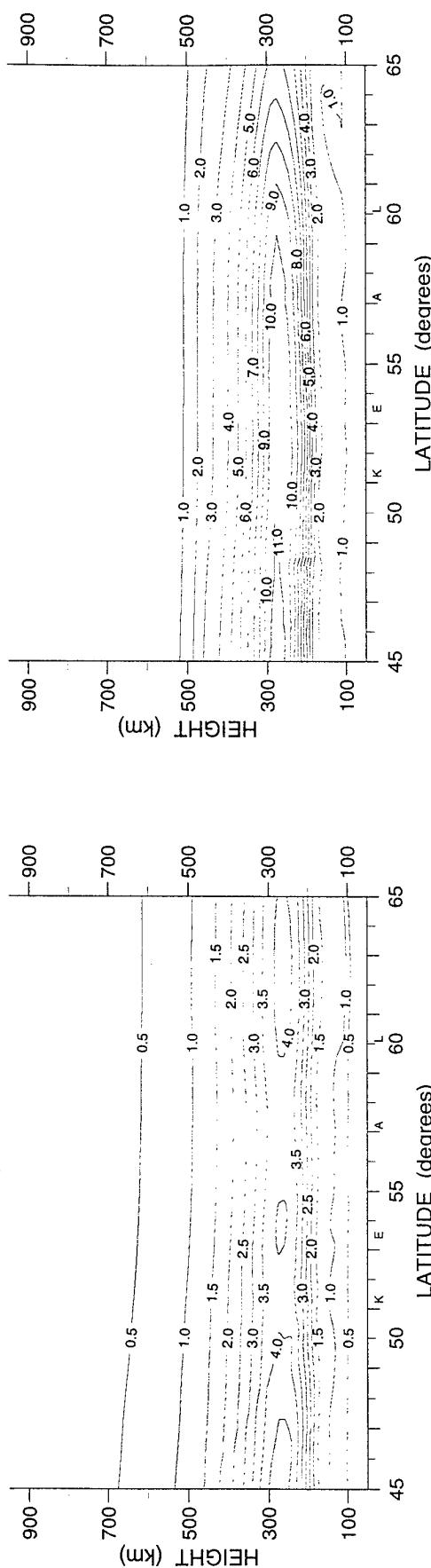
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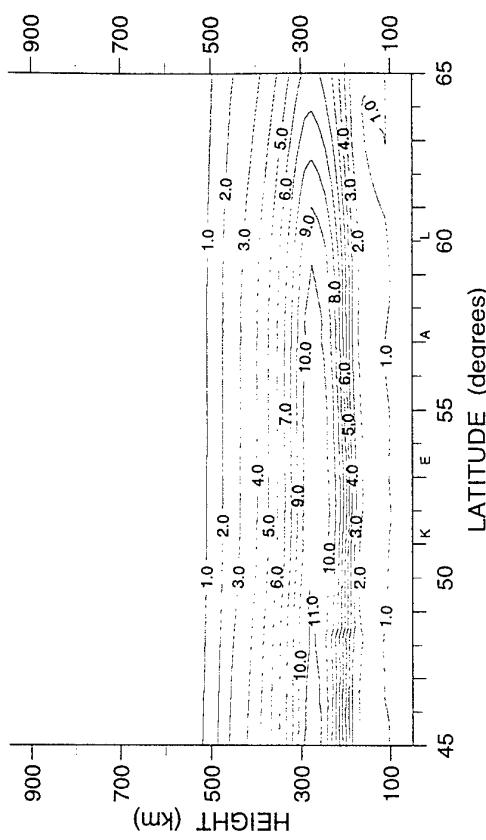
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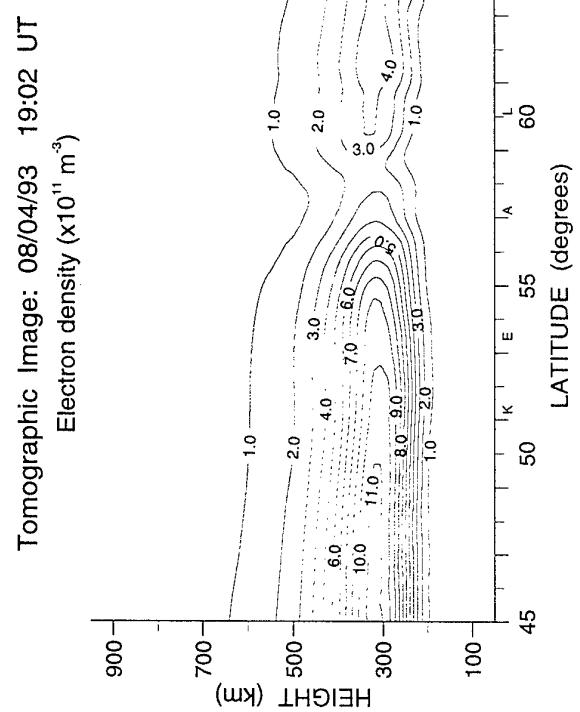
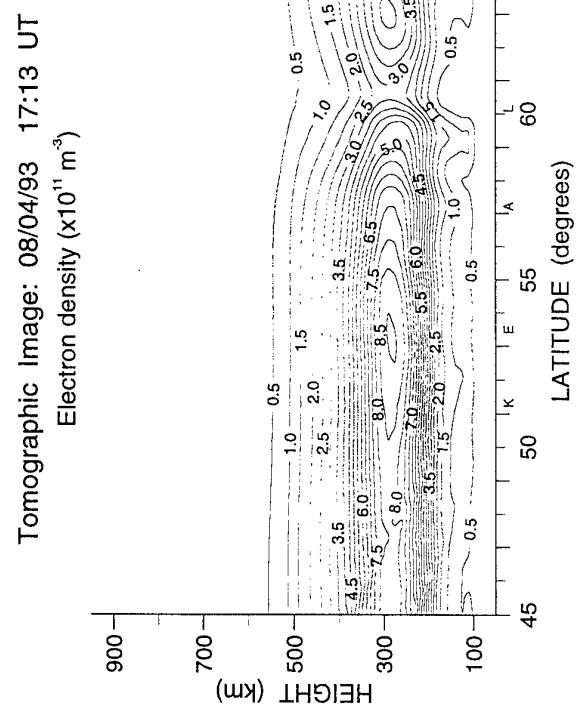
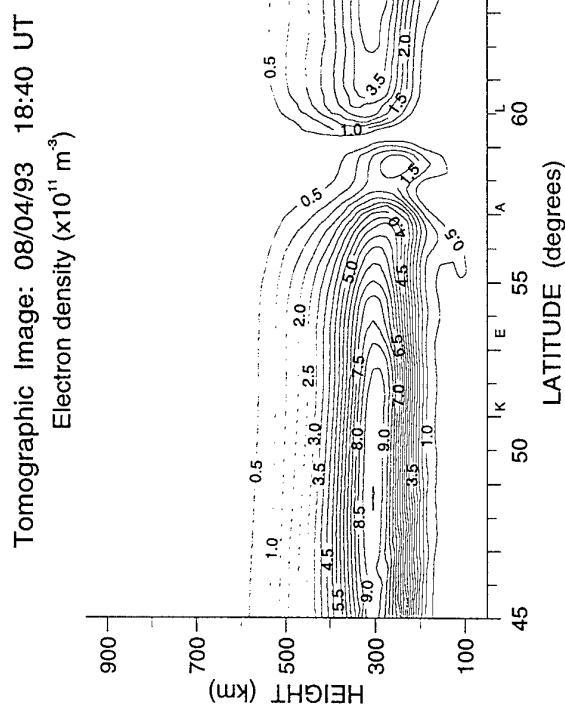
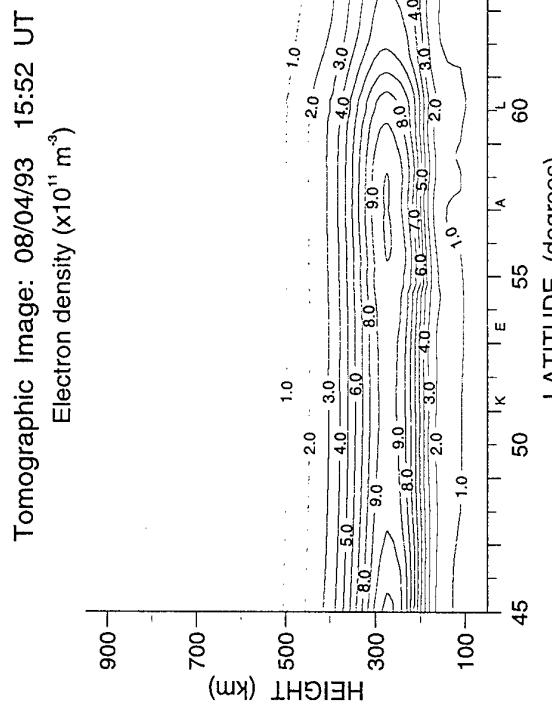


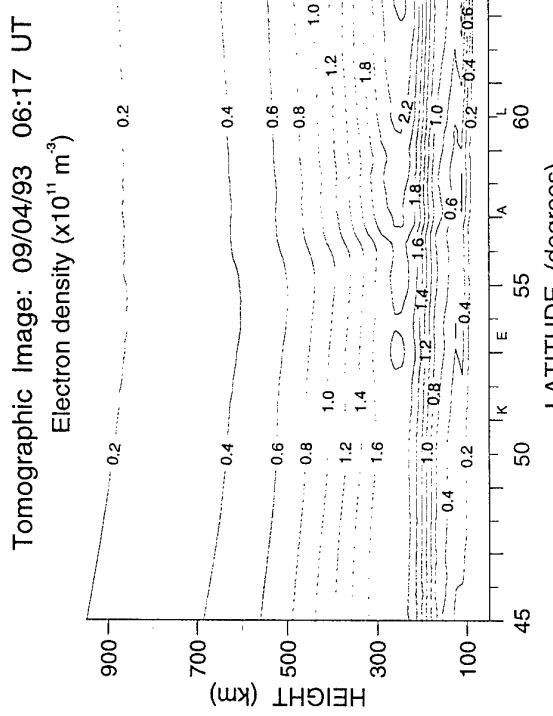
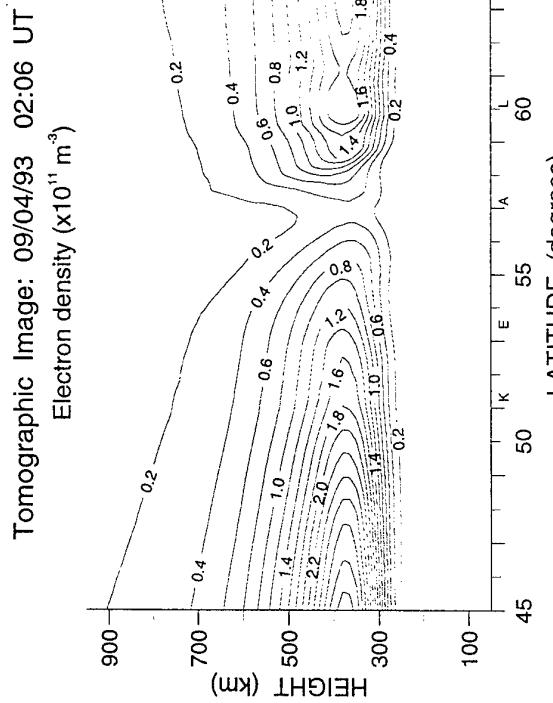
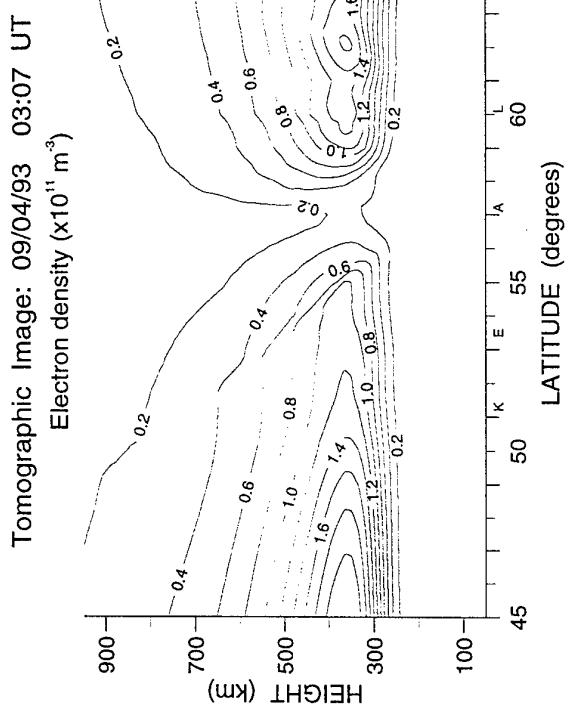
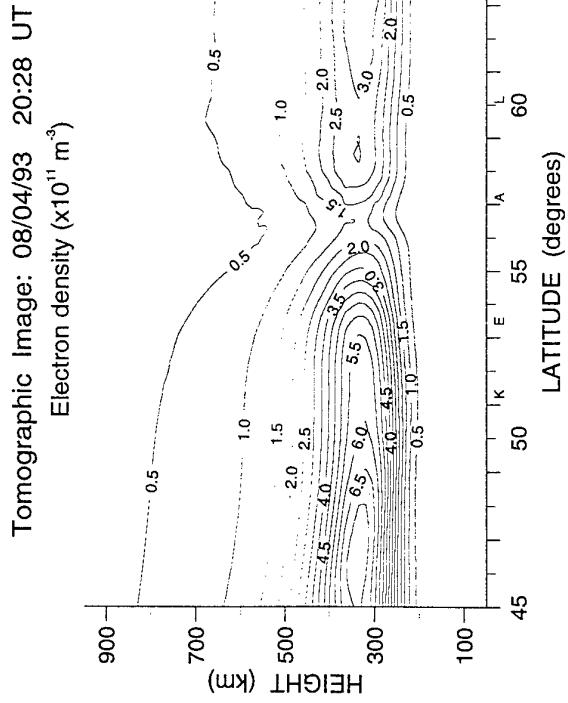
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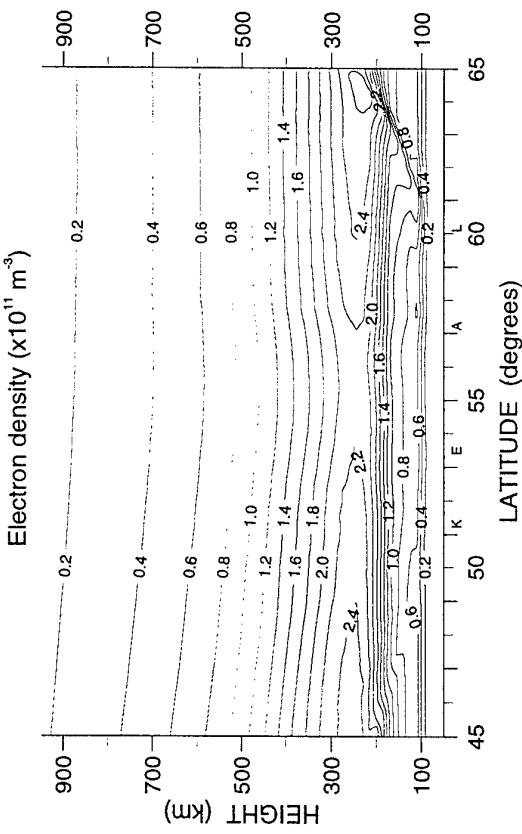
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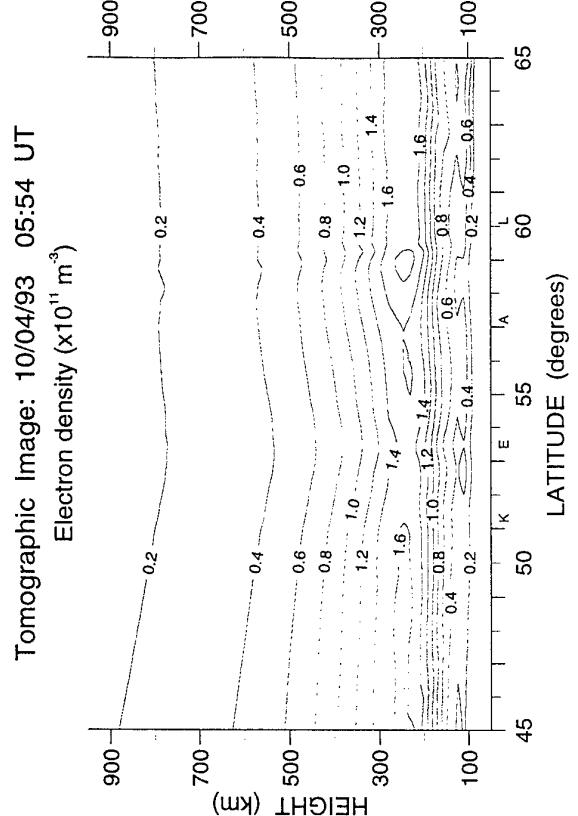
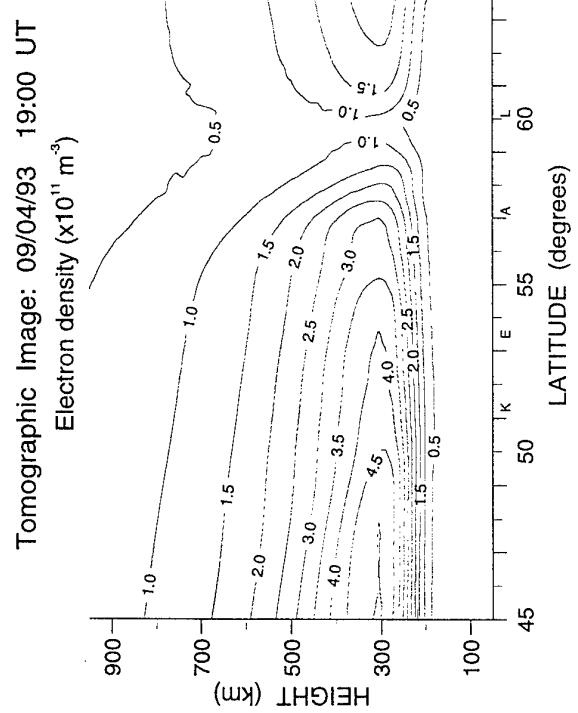
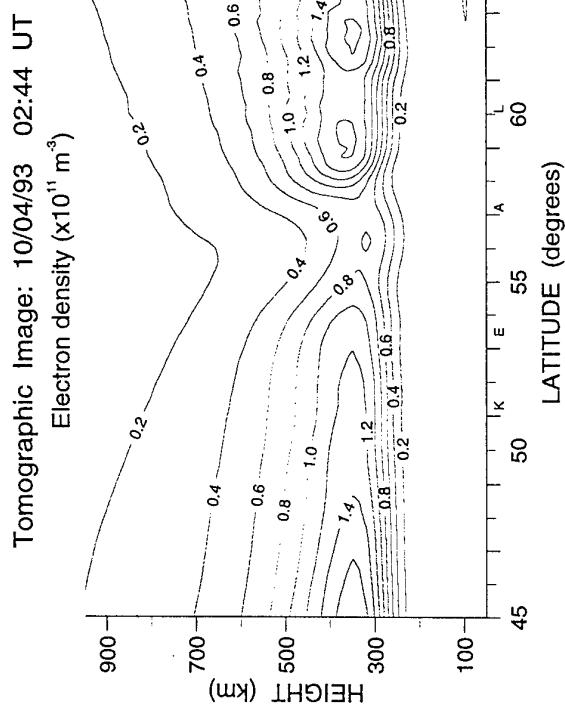
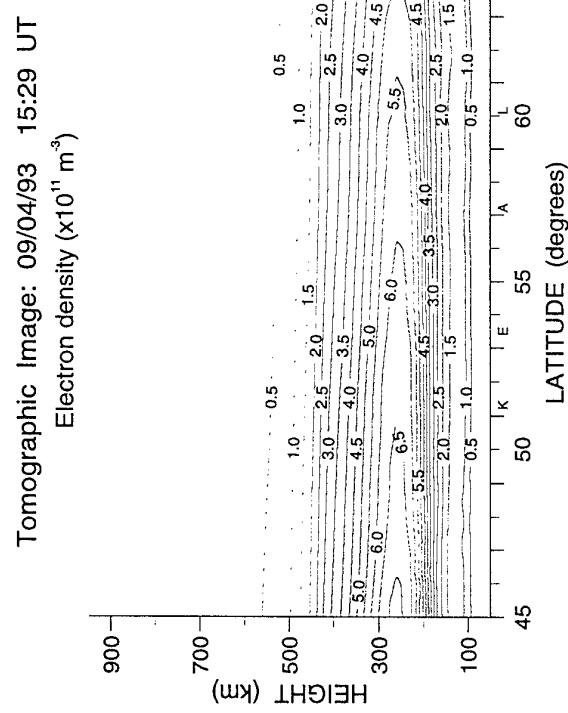




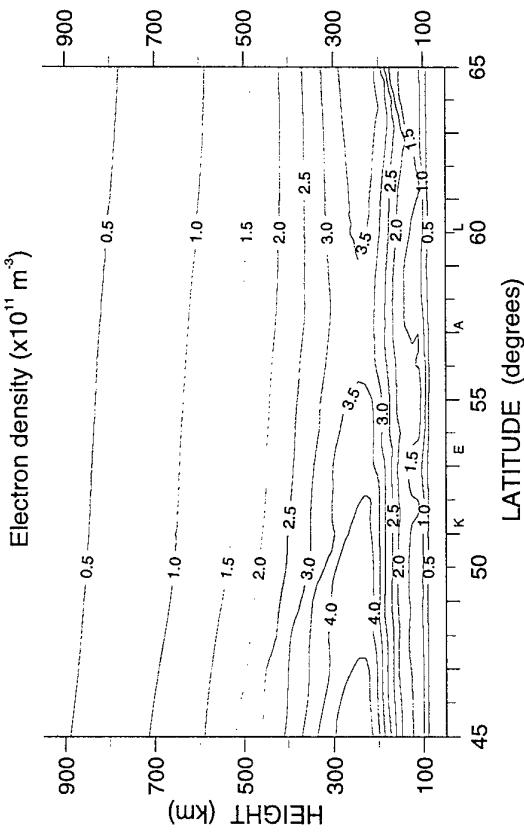


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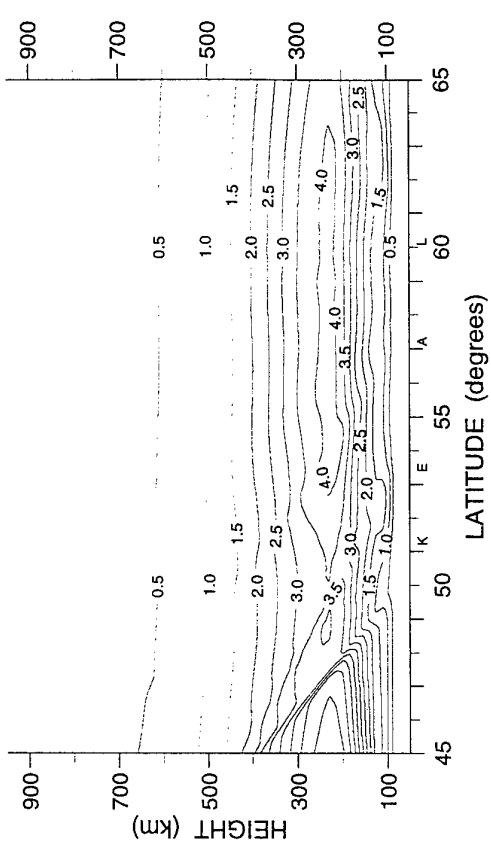




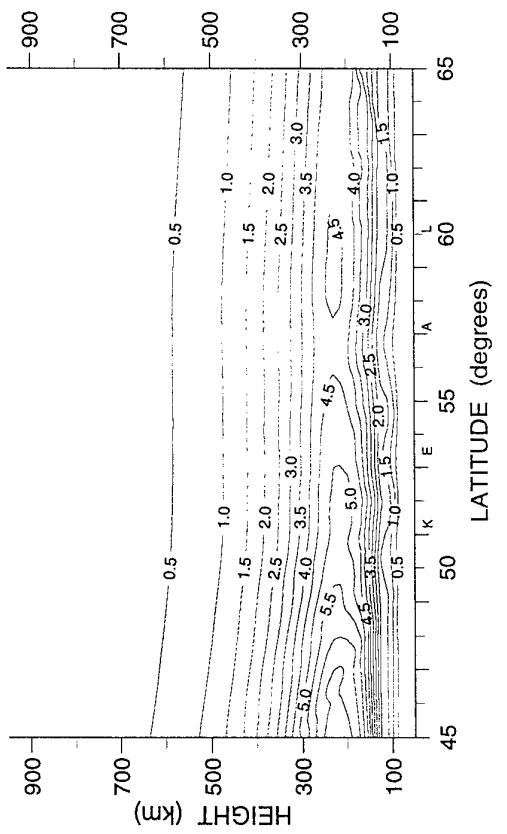
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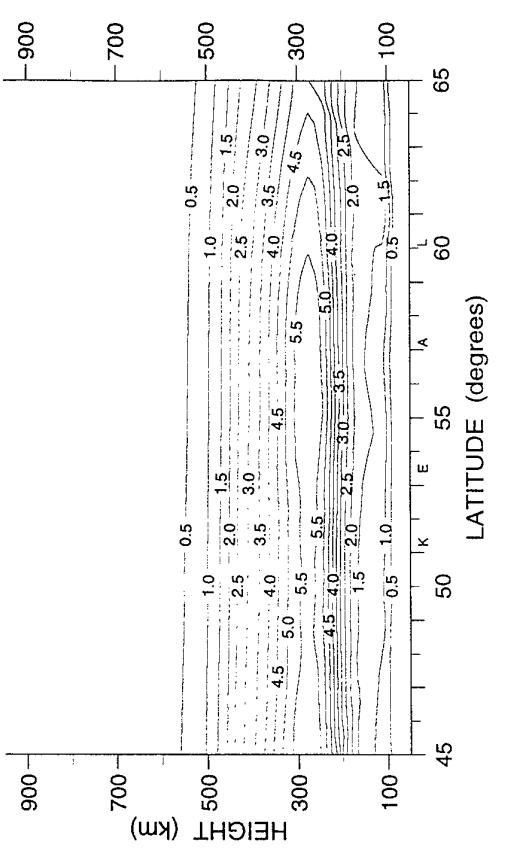
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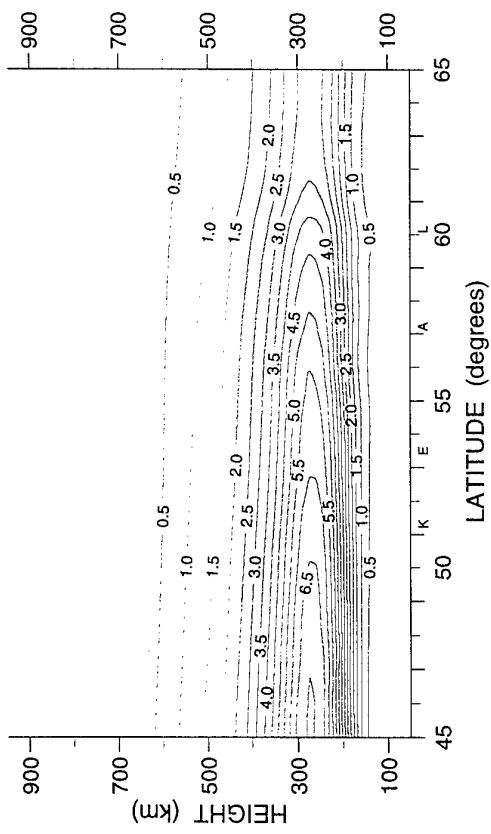
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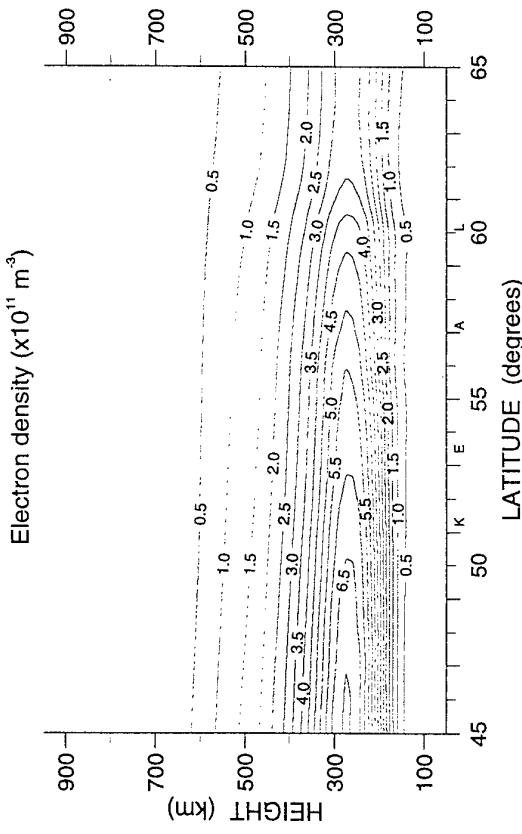
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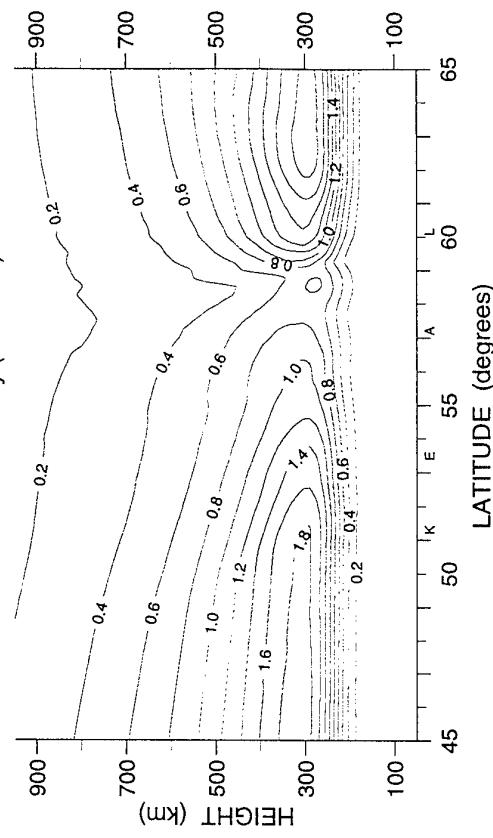
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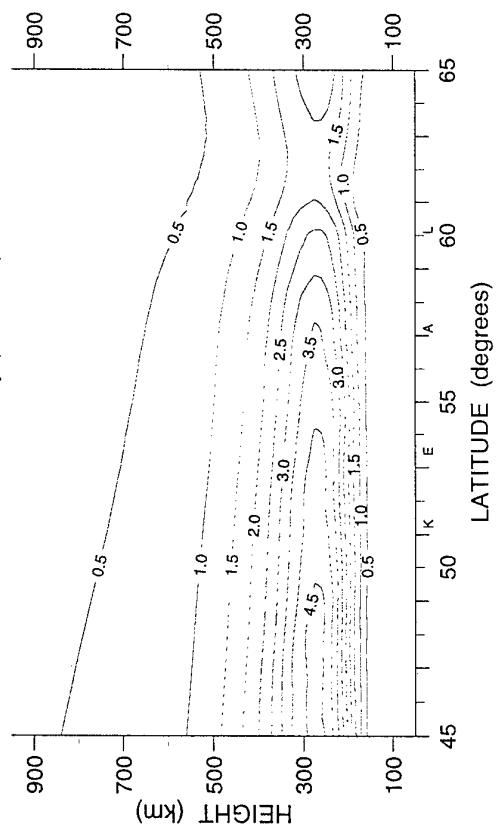
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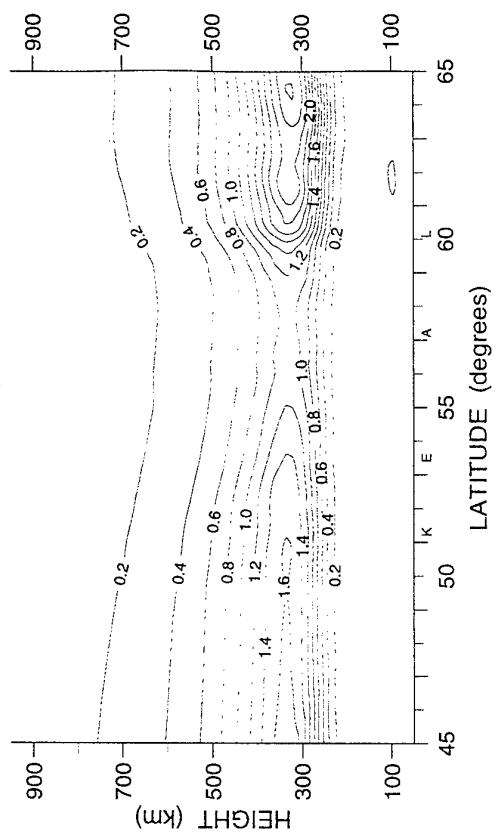
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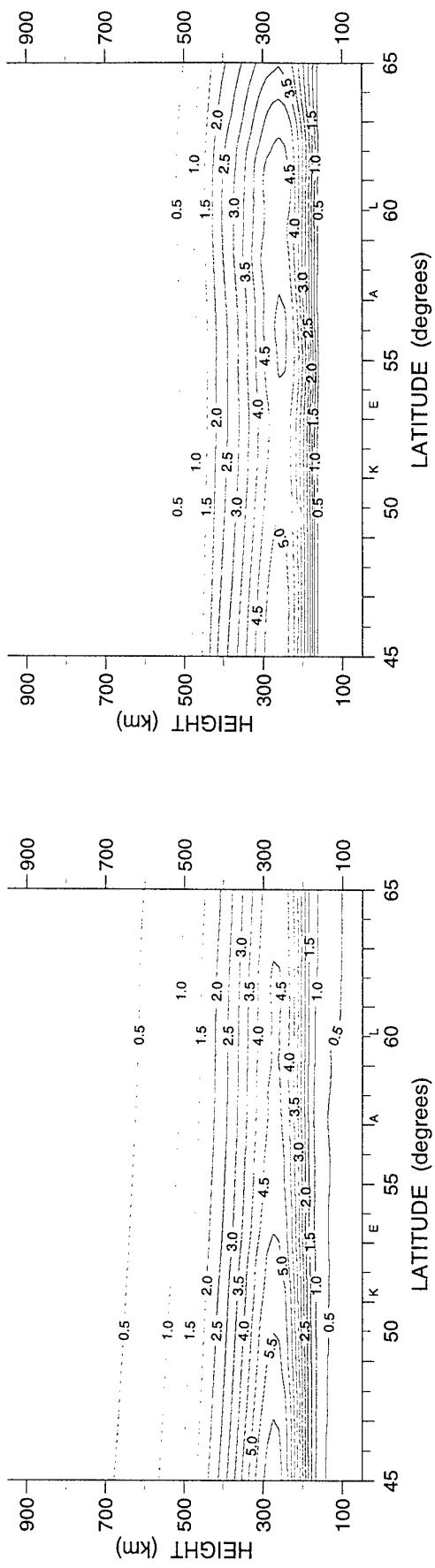
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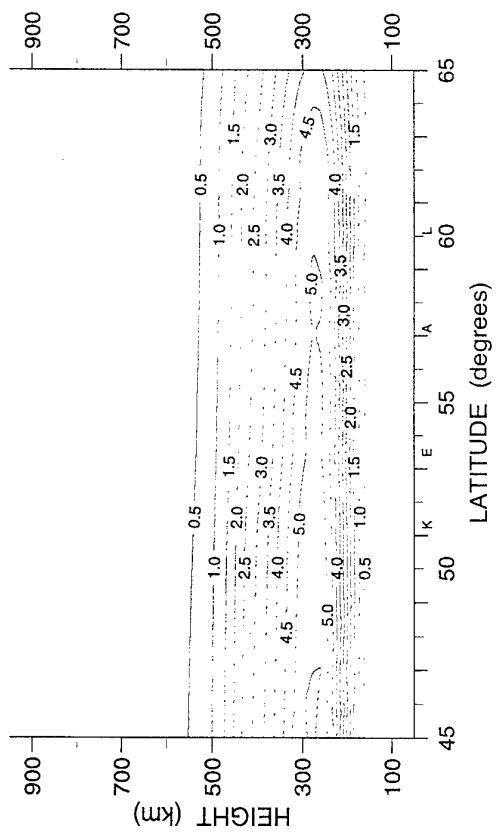


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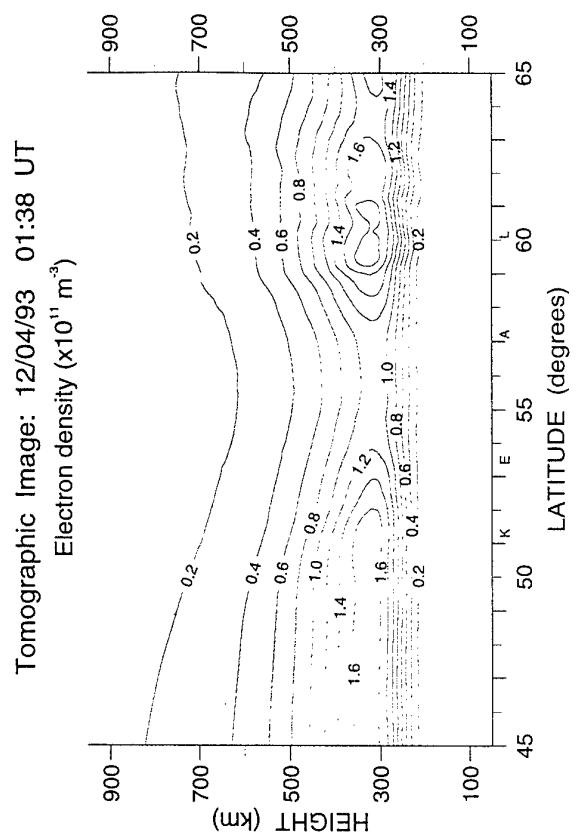


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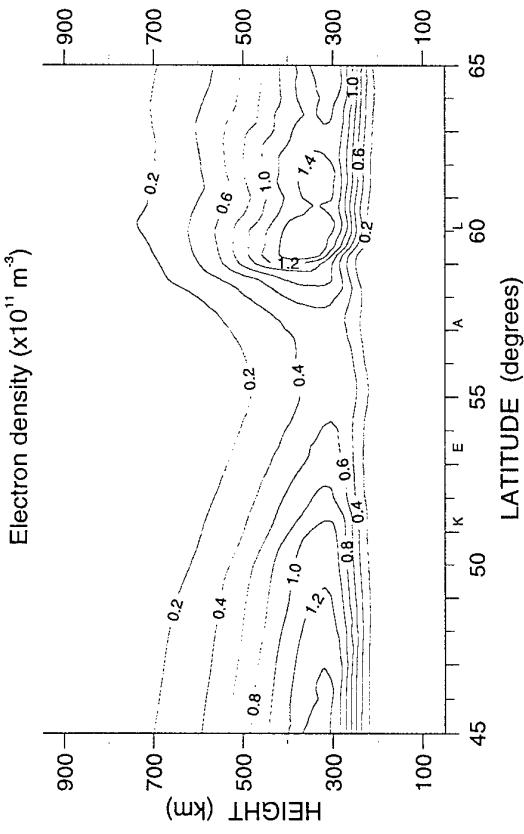
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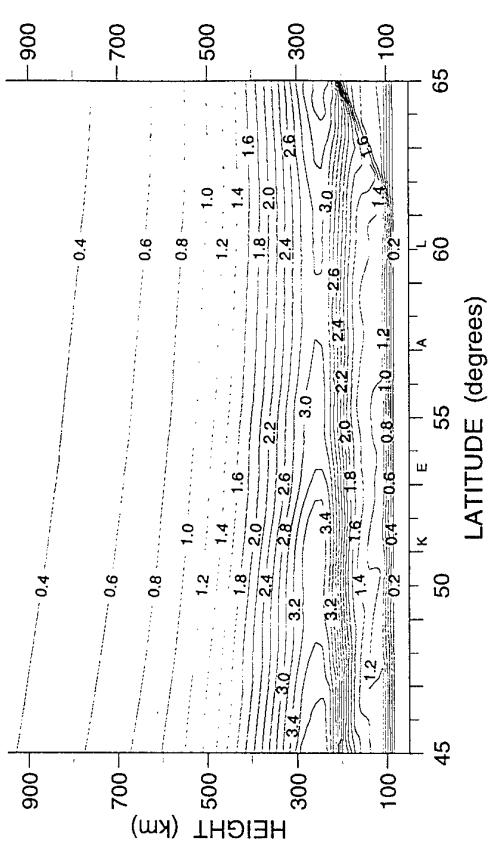
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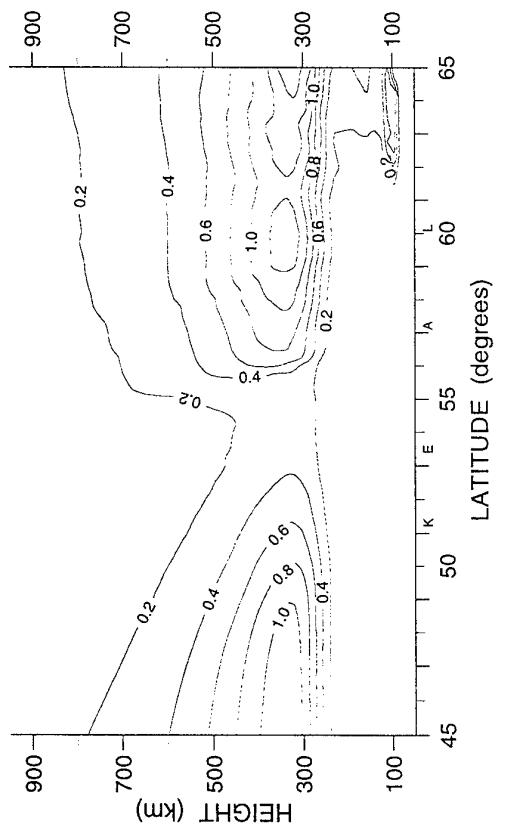
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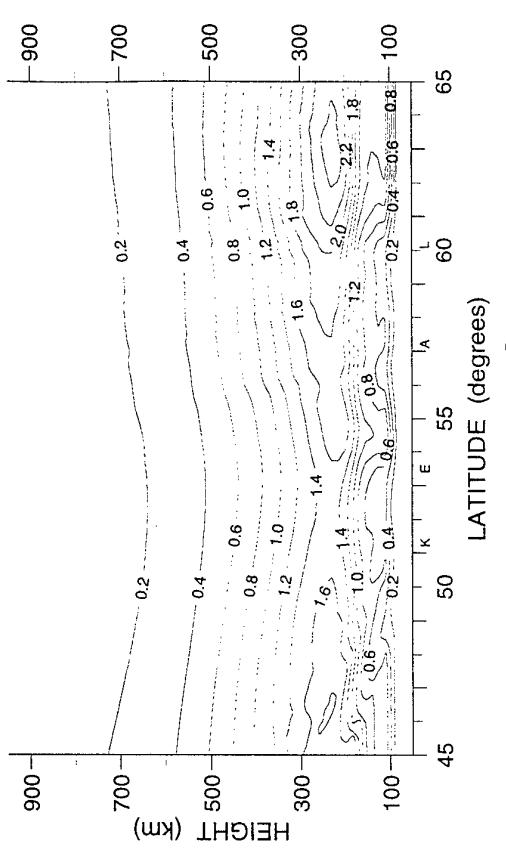
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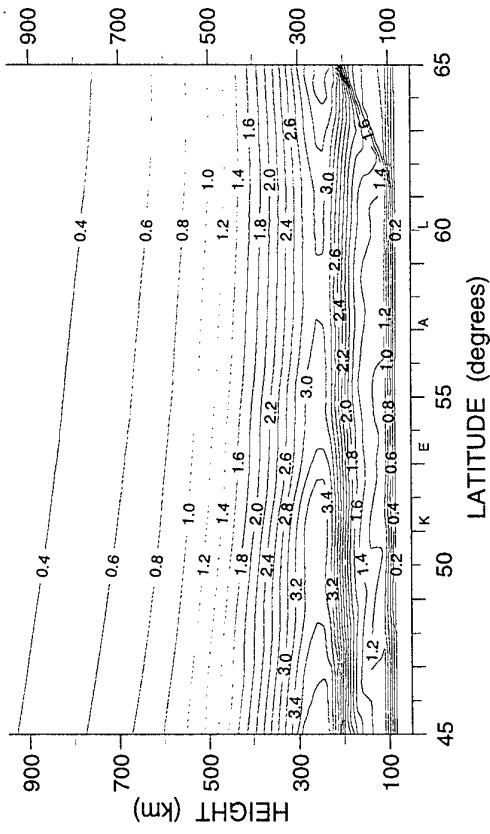
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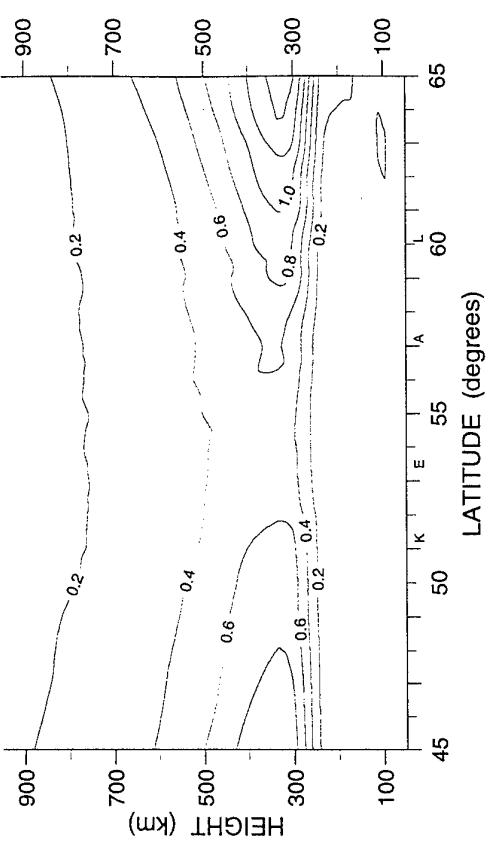
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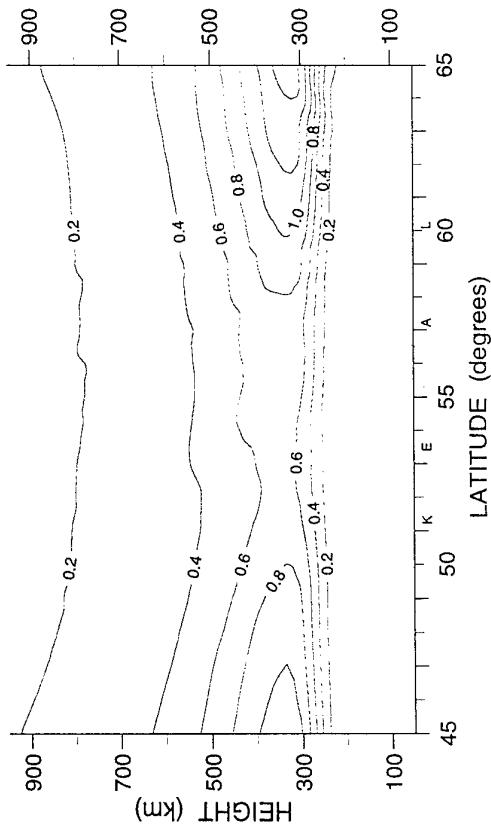
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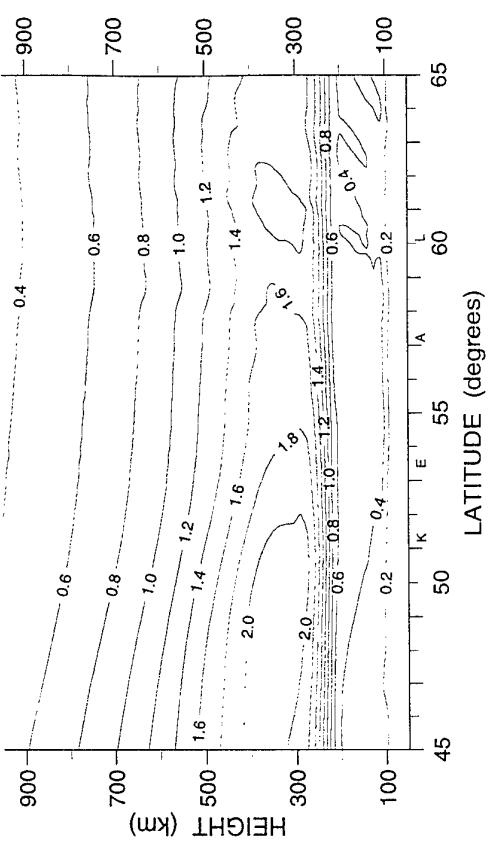
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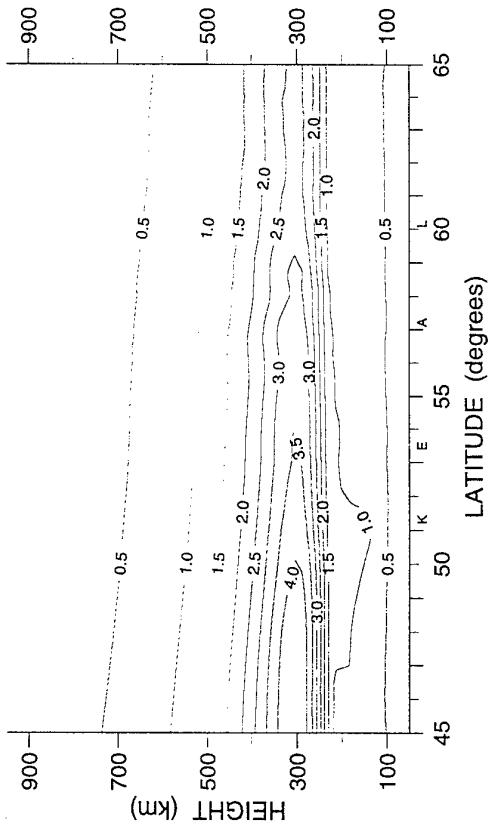
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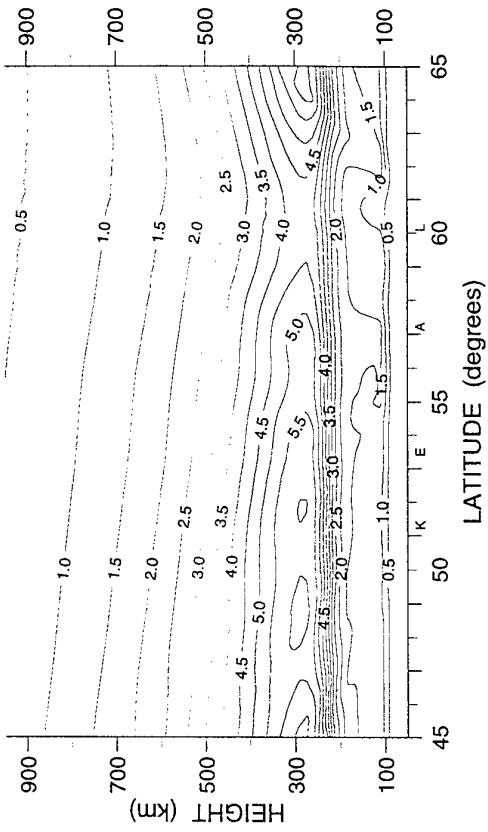
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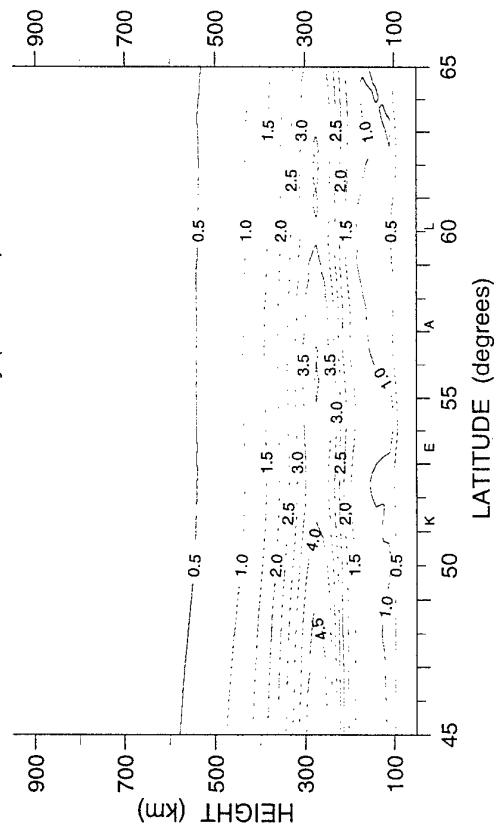
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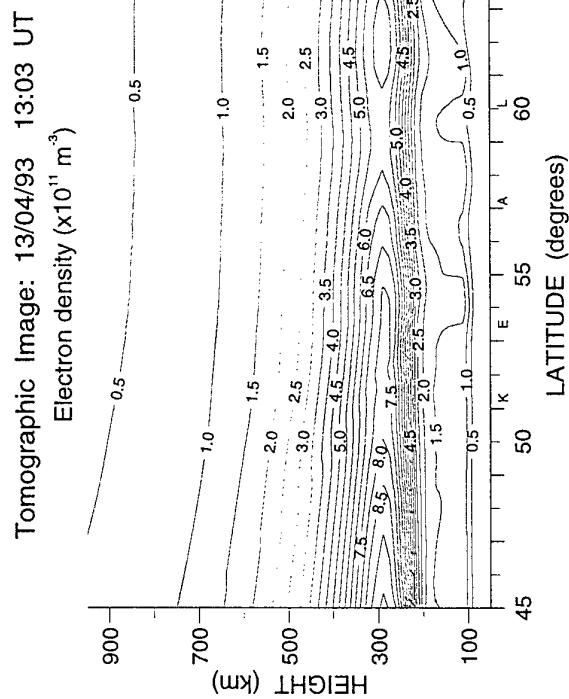


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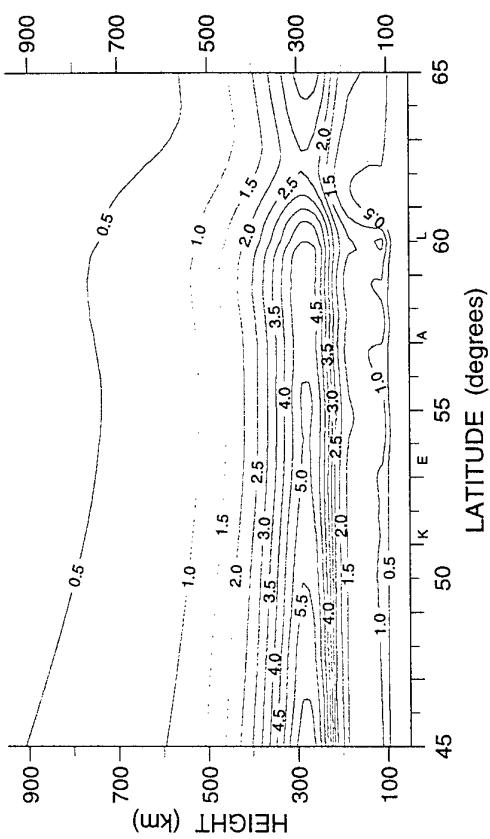


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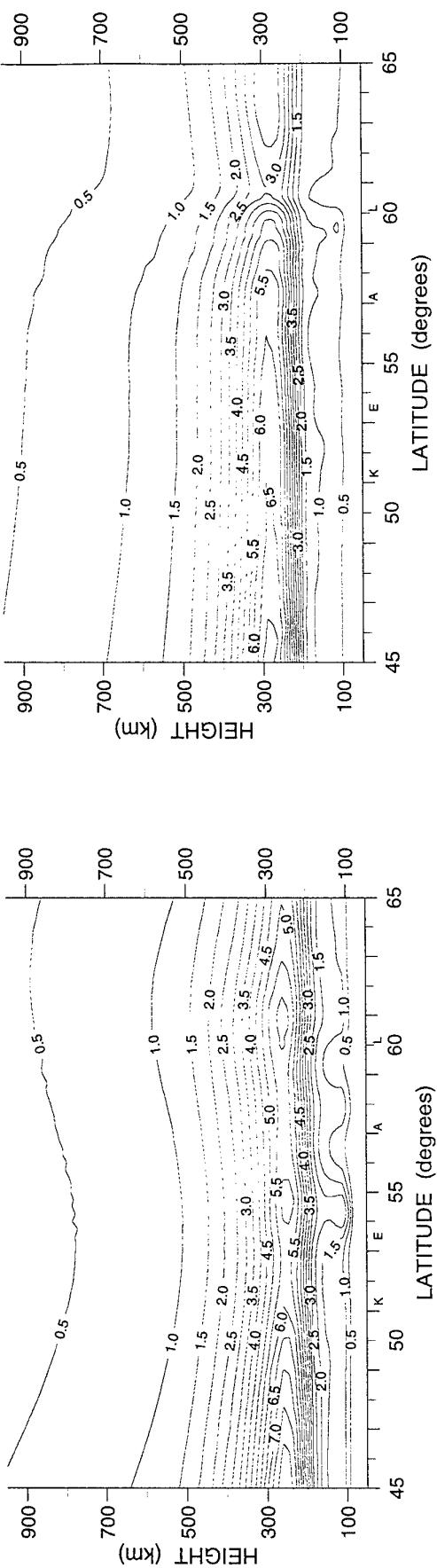




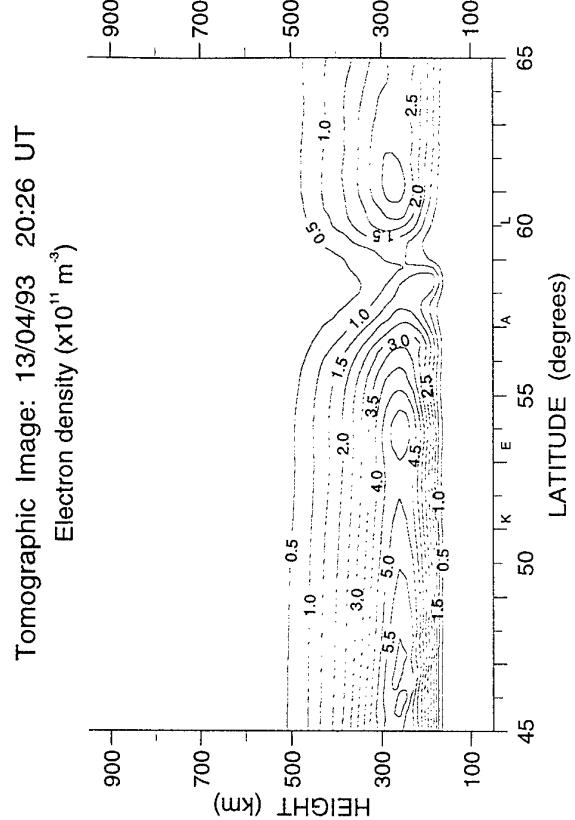
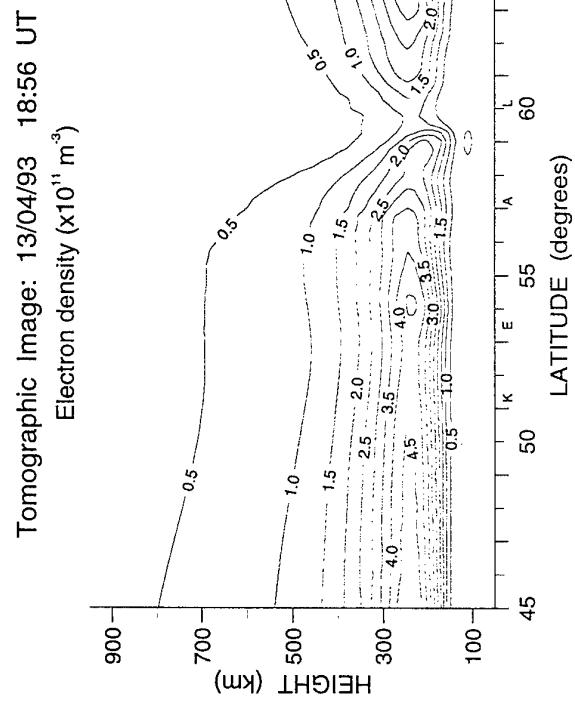
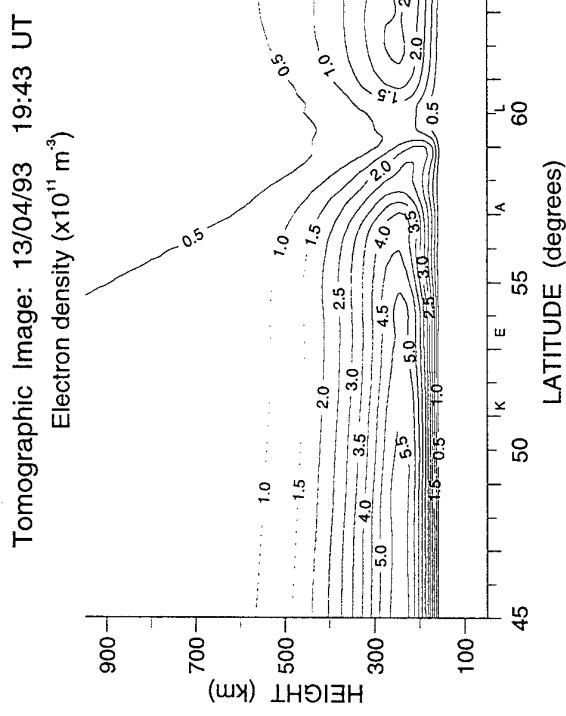
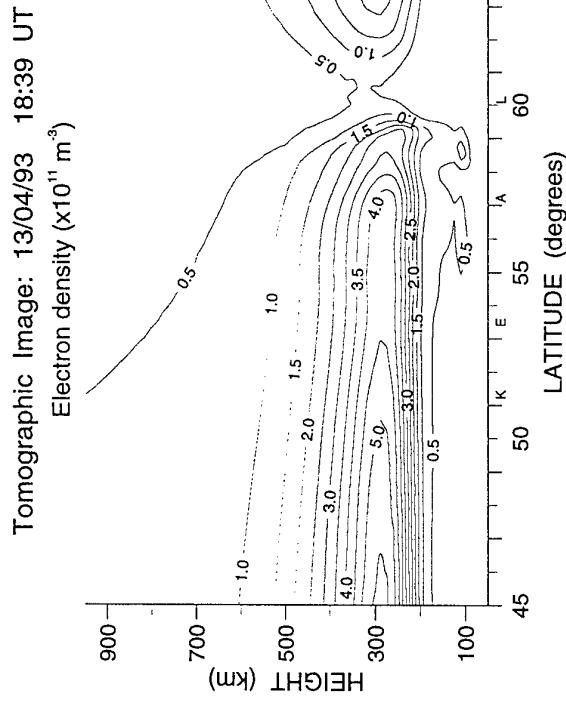
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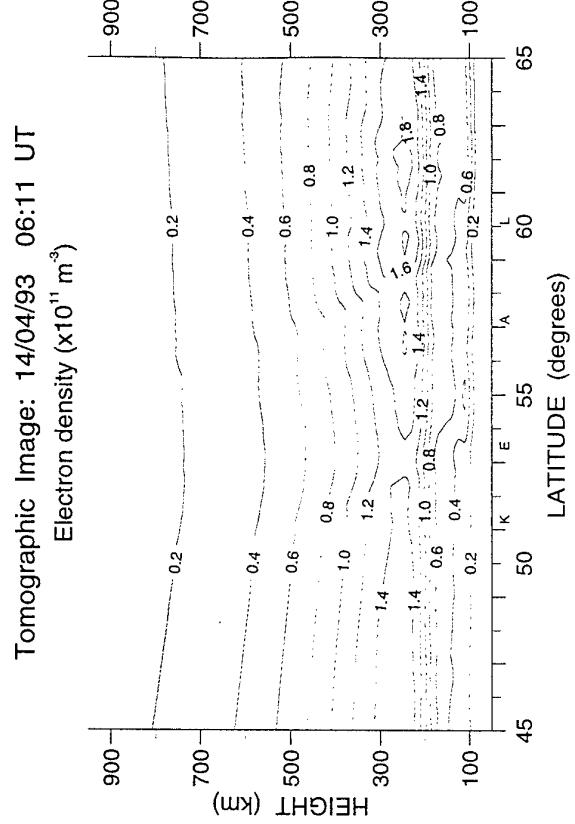
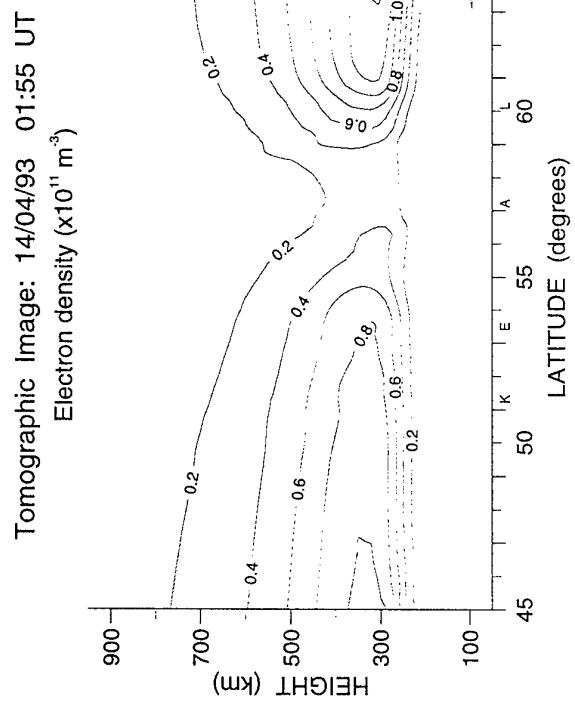
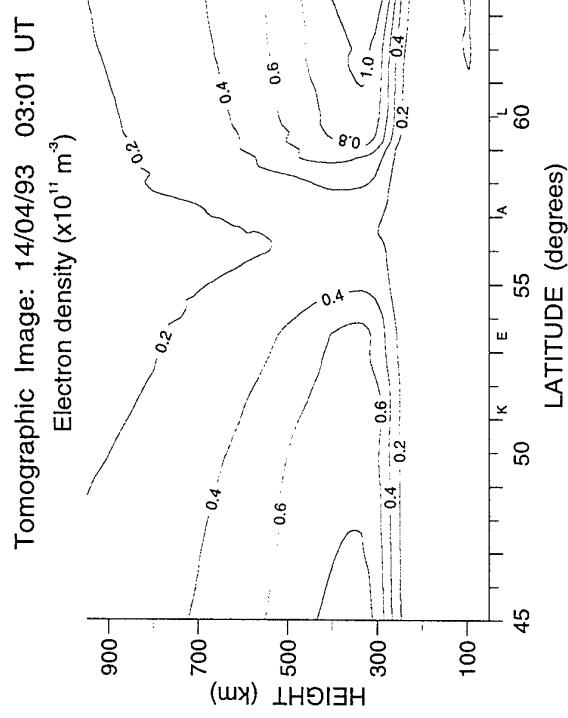
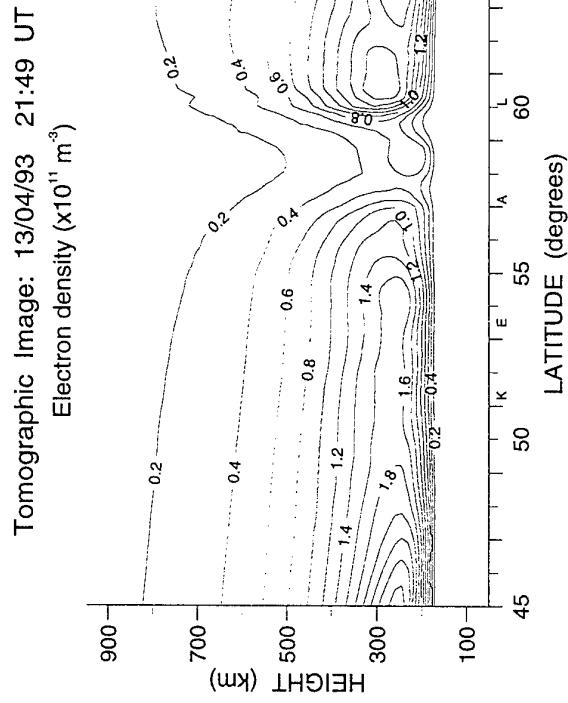


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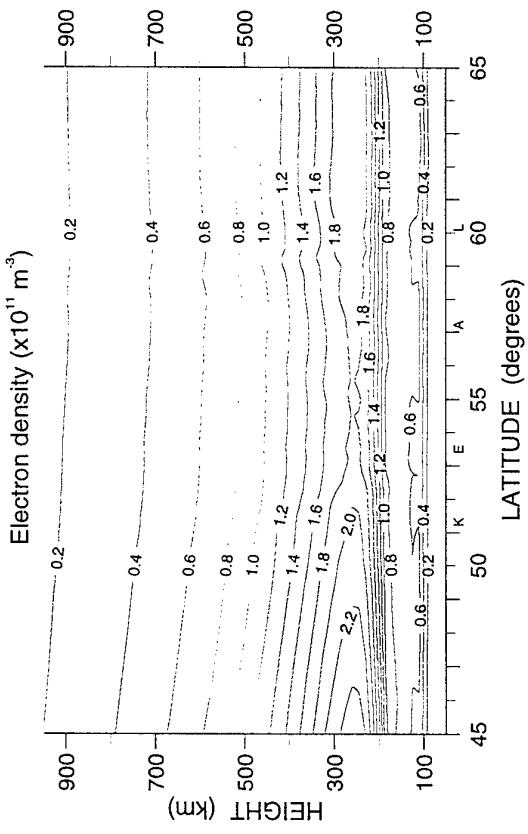


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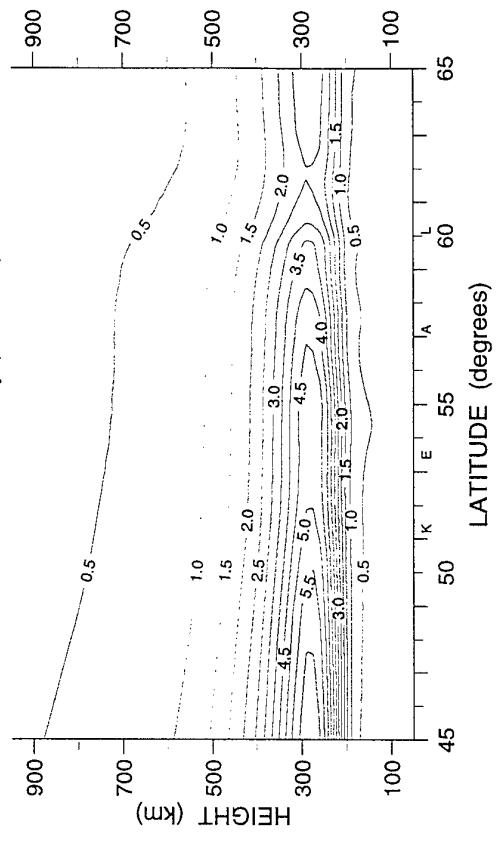




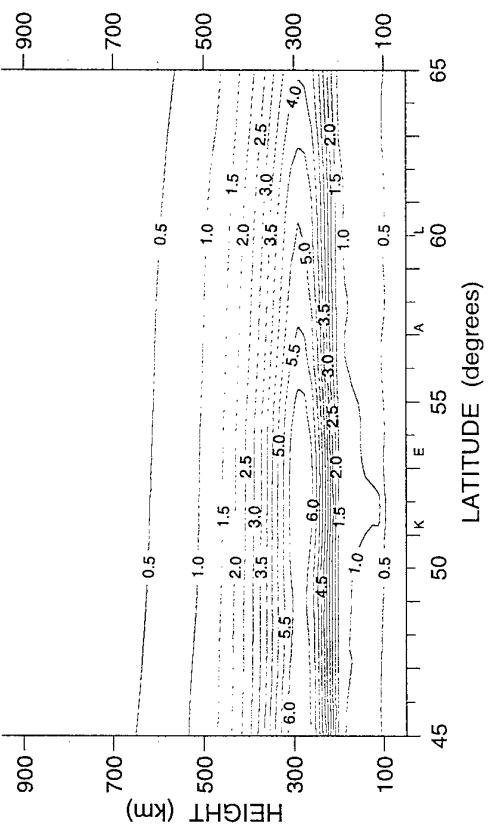
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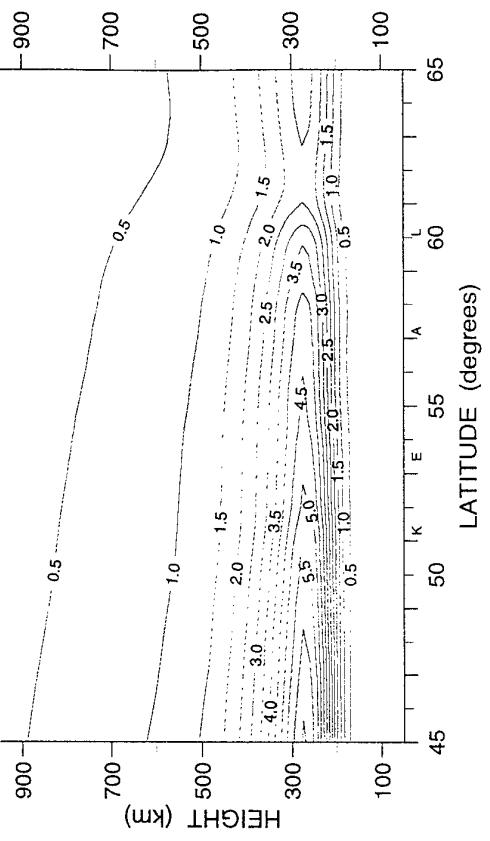
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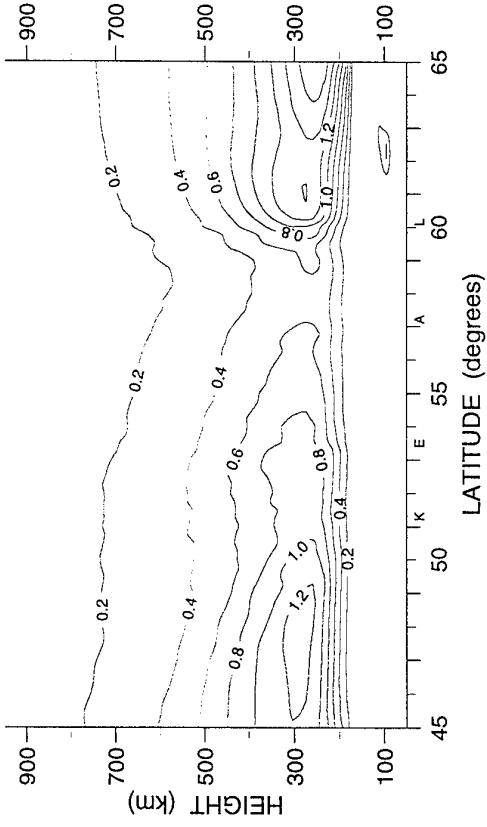
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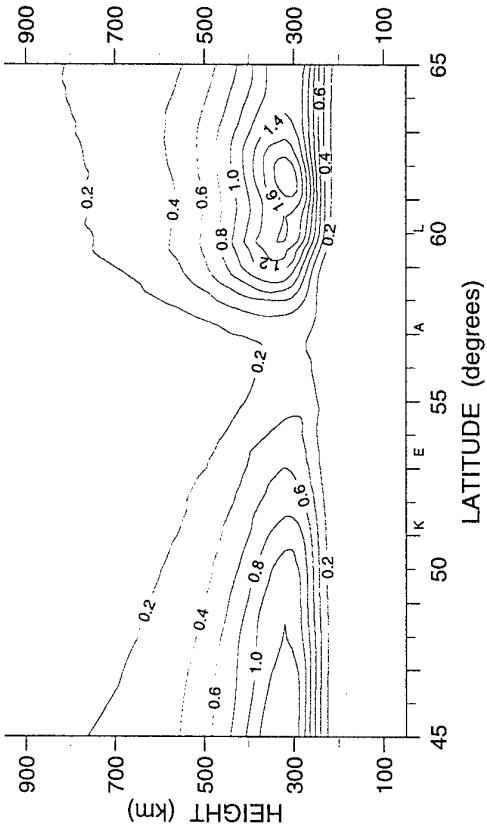
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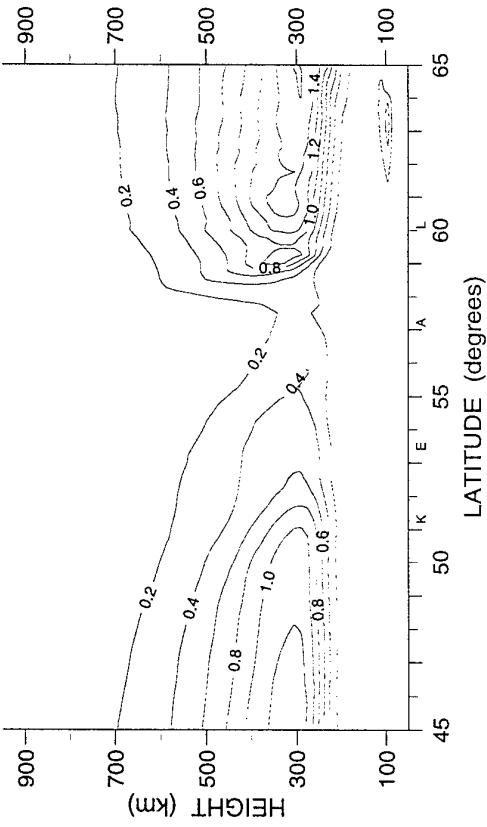
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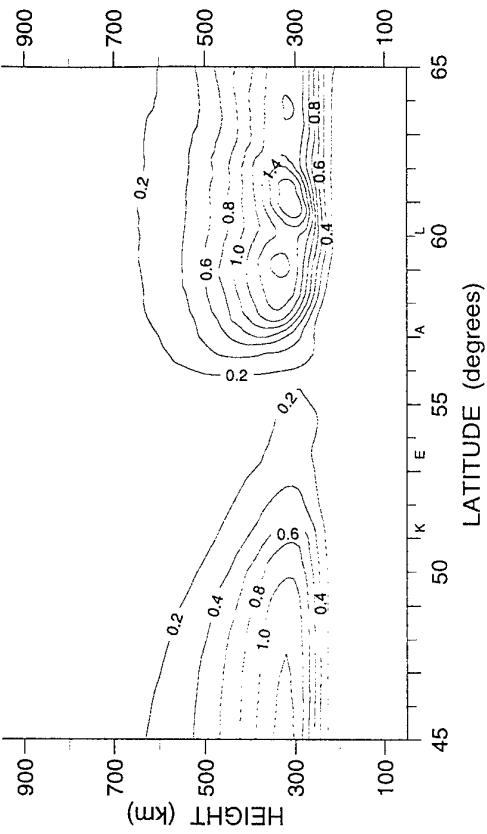
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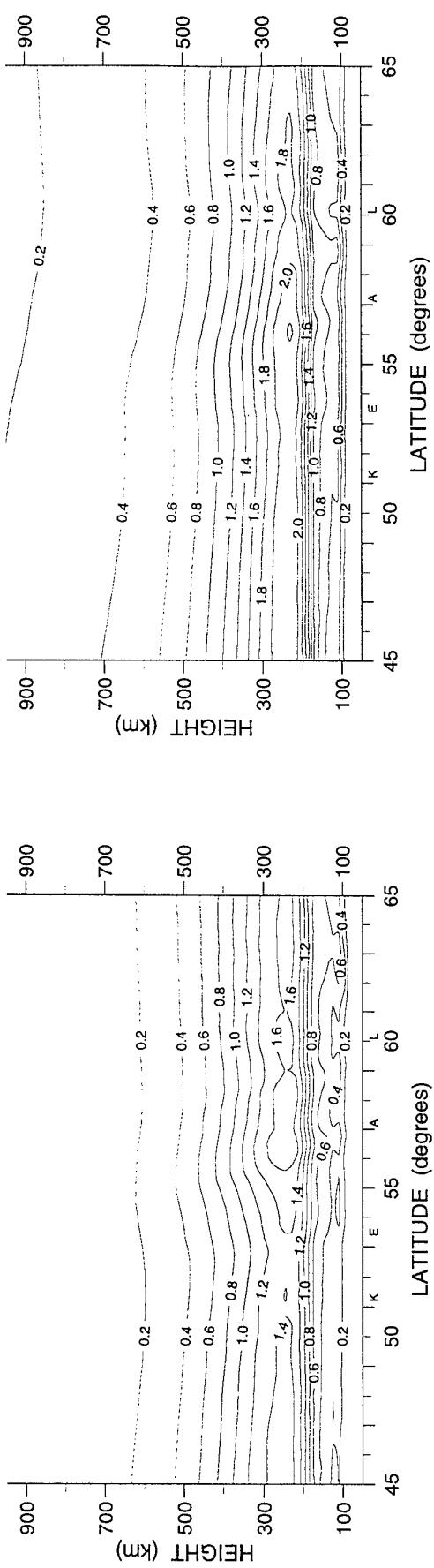
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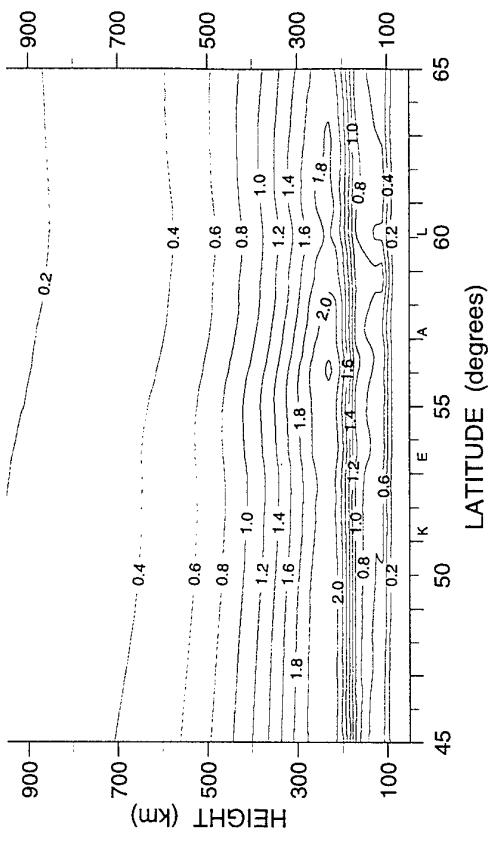
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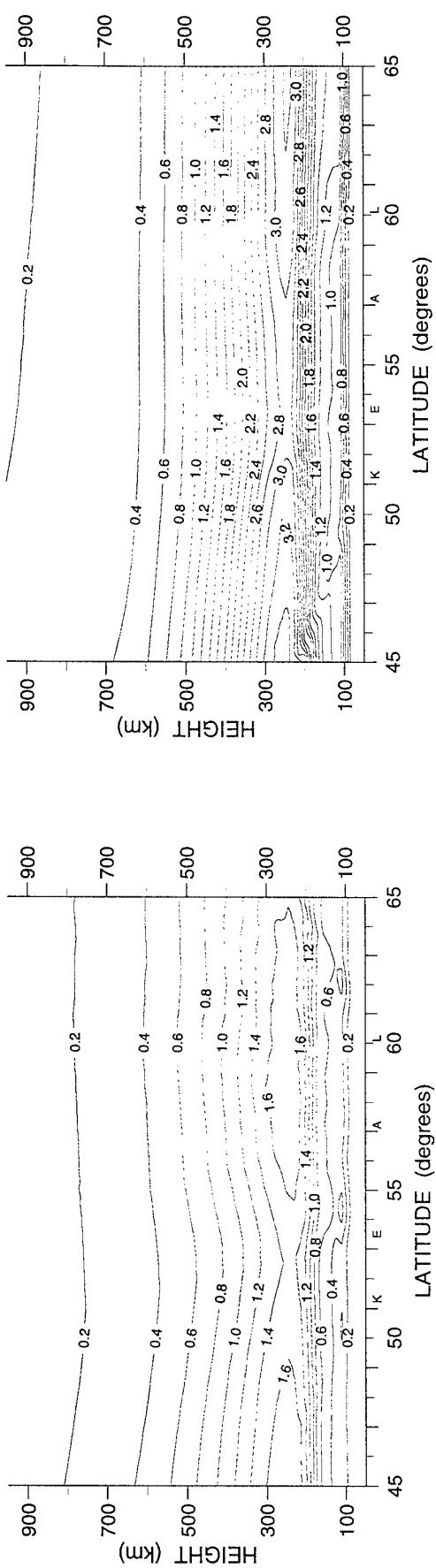
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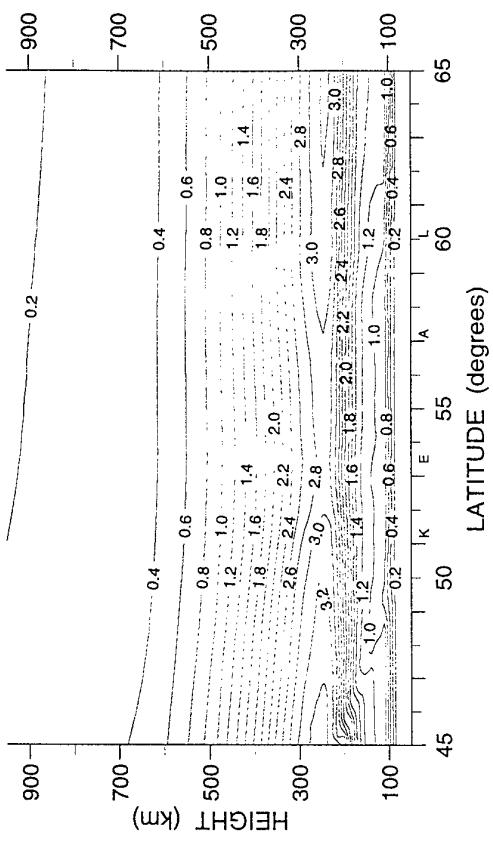
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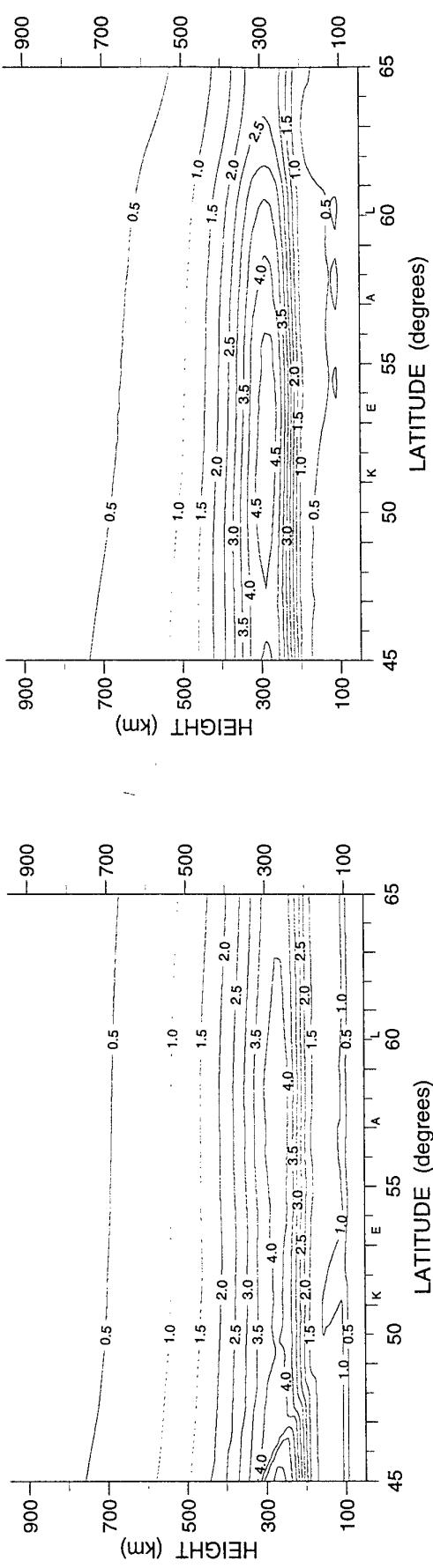
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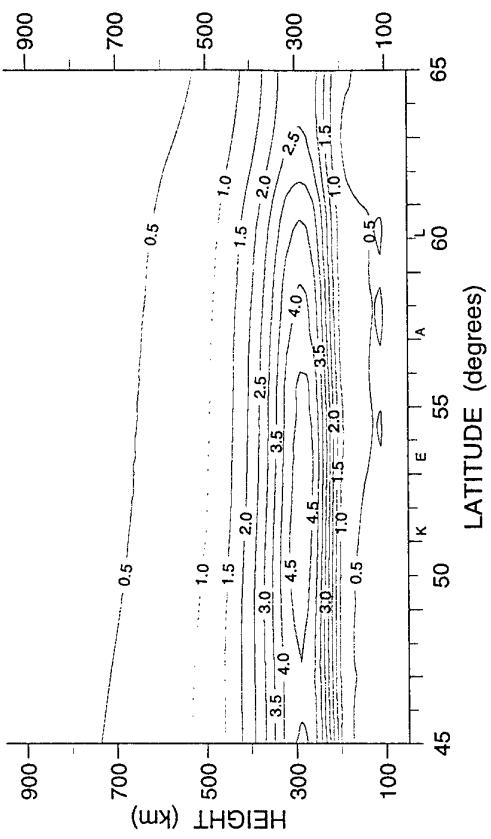
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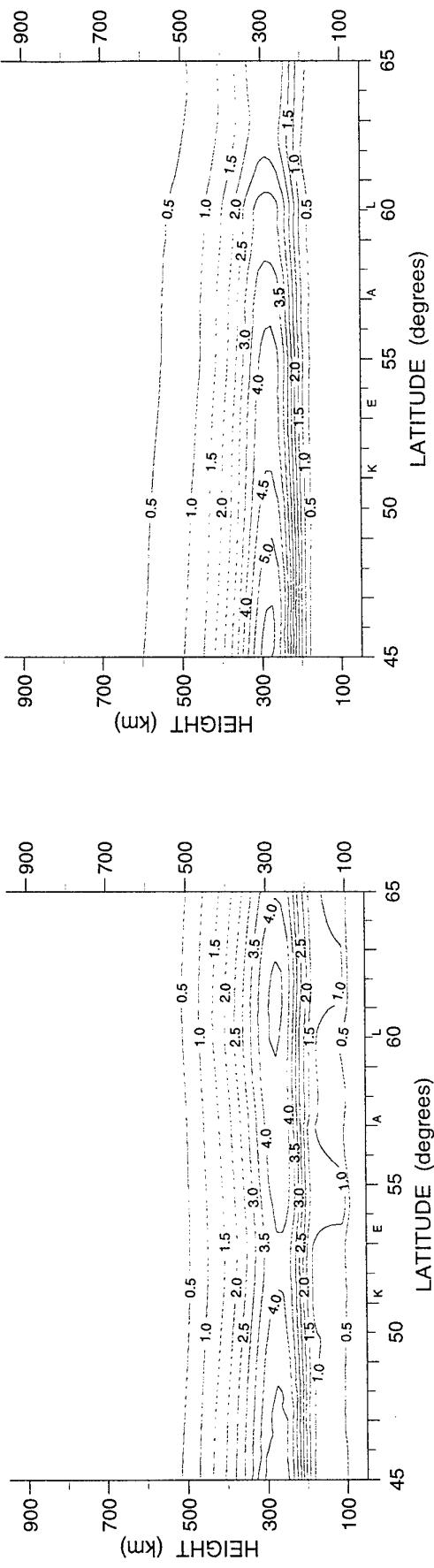
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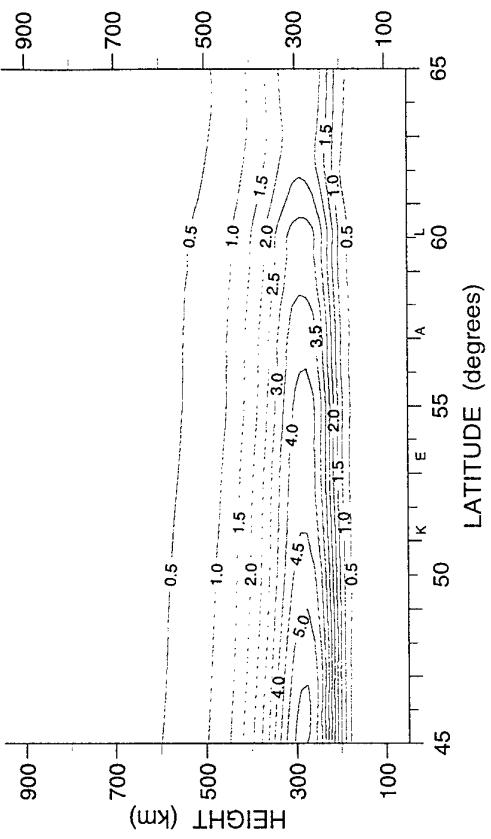
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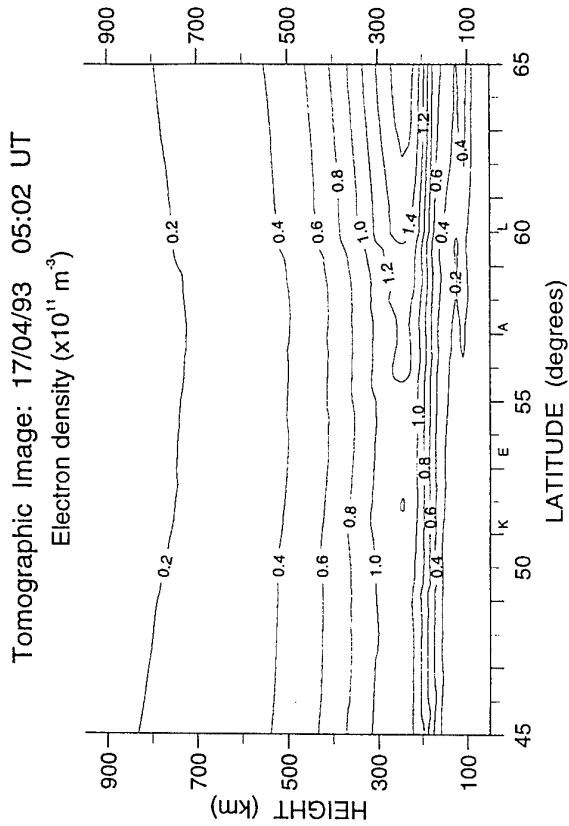
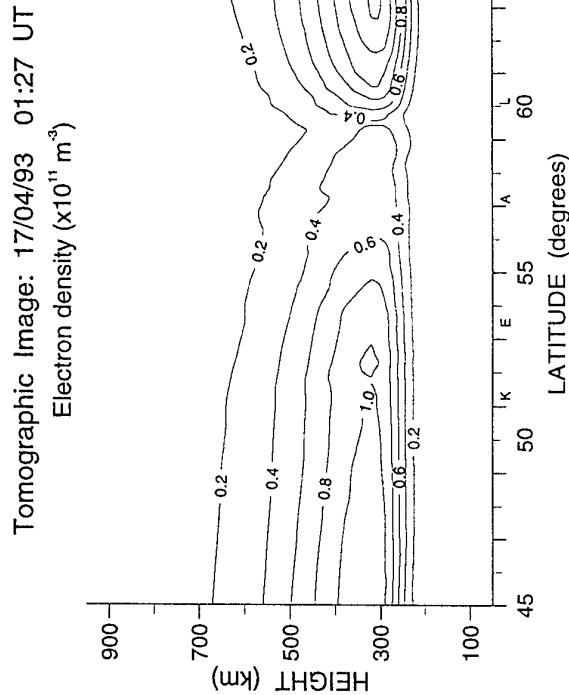
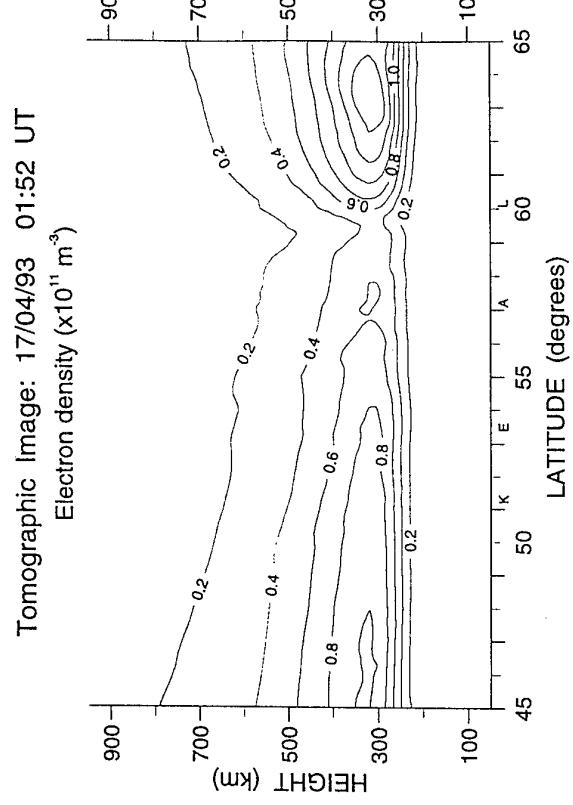
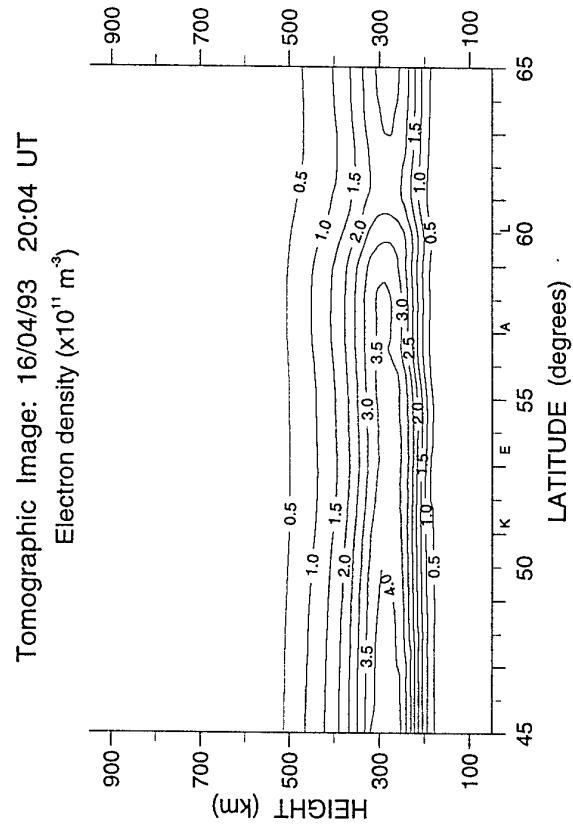


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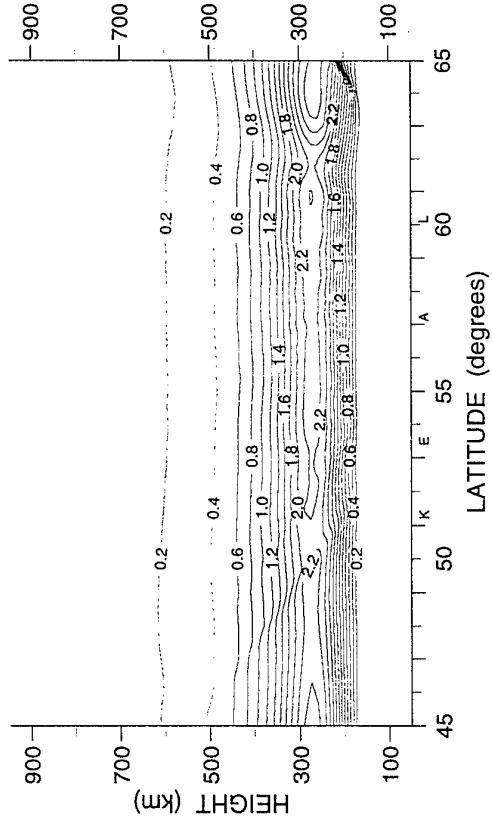


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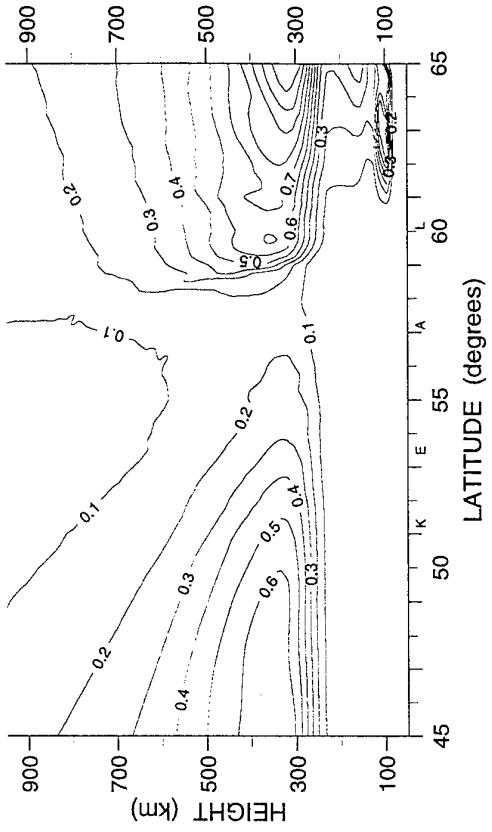




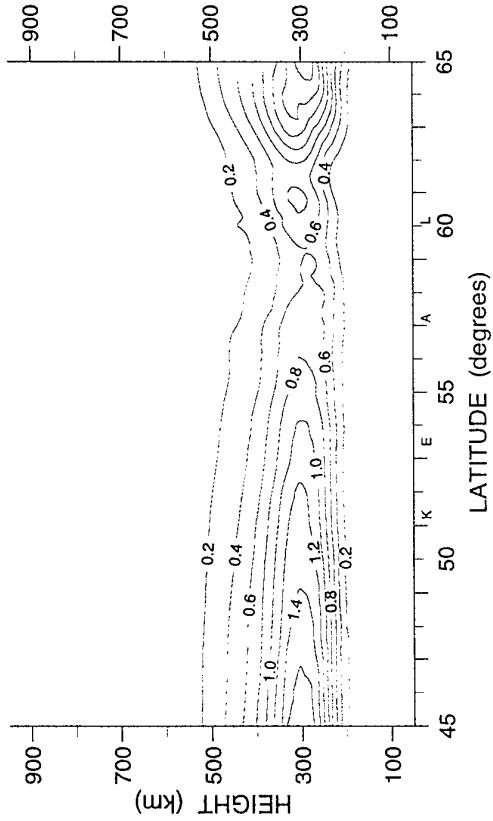
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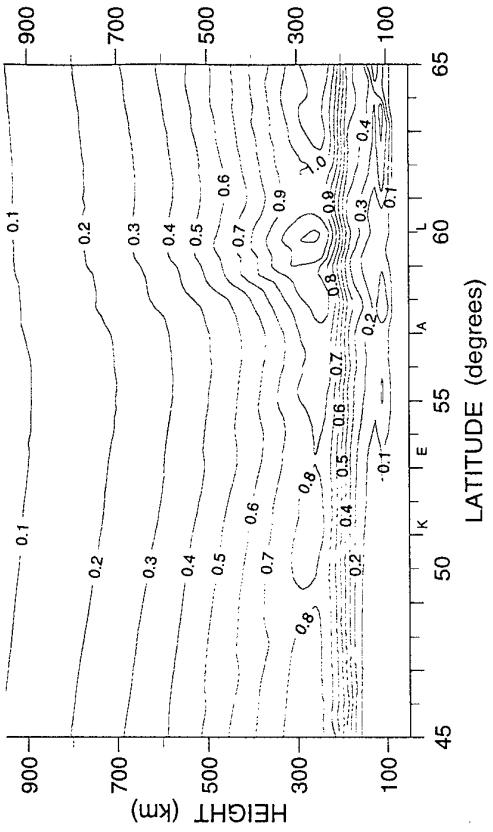
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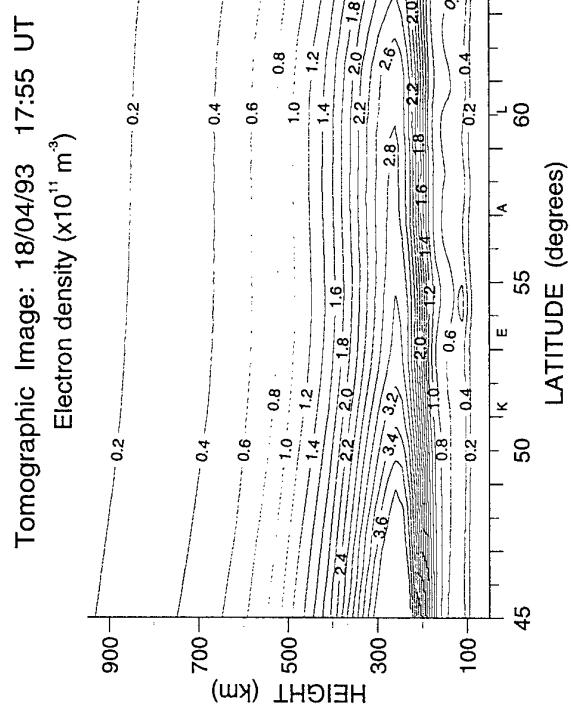
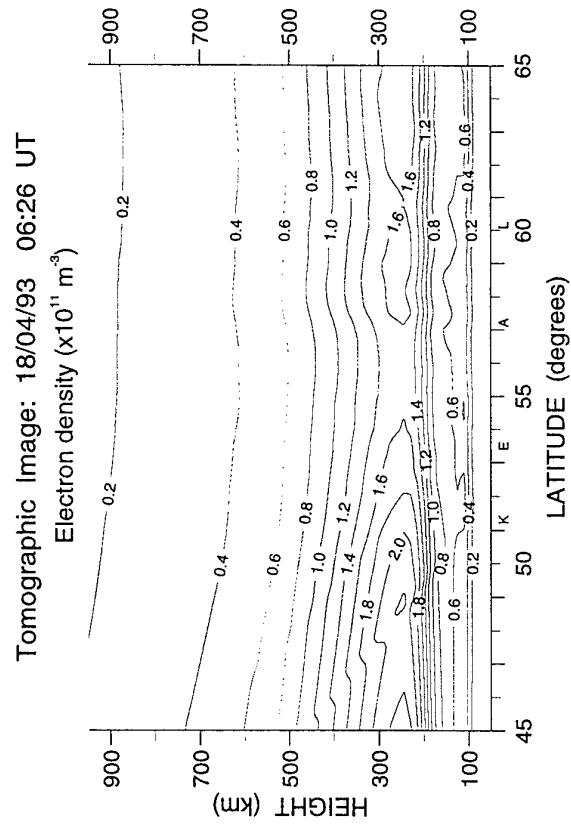


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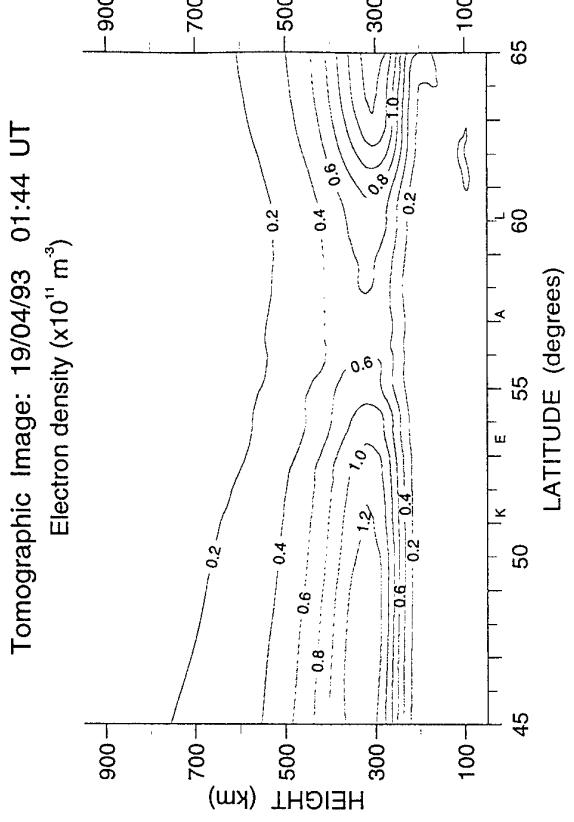
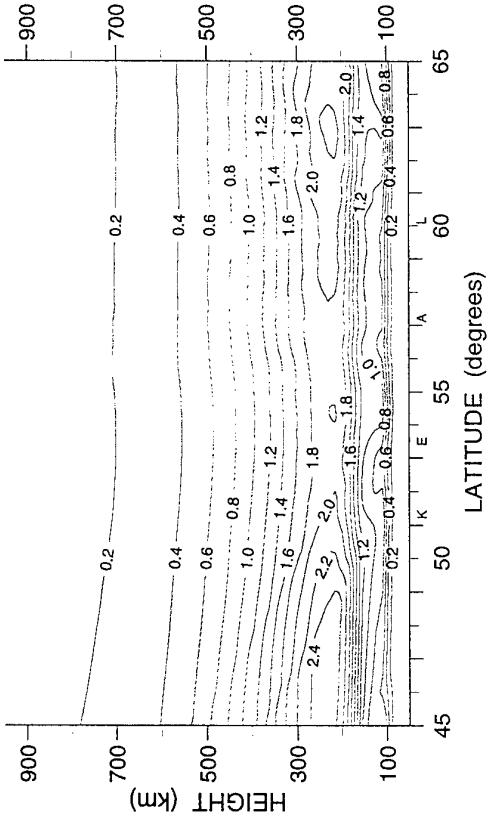


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Electron density ($\times 10^{11} \text{ m}^{-3}$)



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Electron density ($\times 10^{11} \text{ m}^{-3}$)

