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Measurement and Prediction of Radiative Non-equilibrium for Air Shocks Between 7-9 km/s

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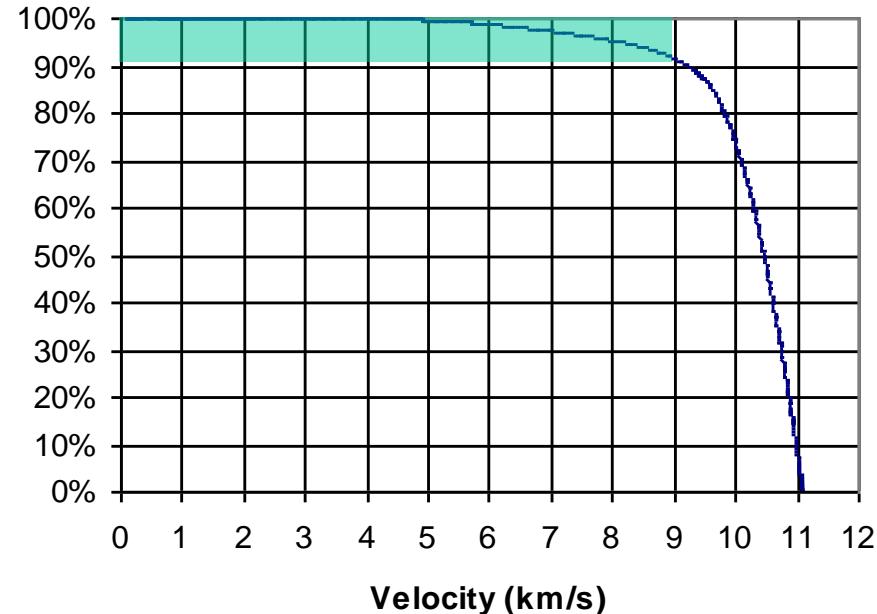
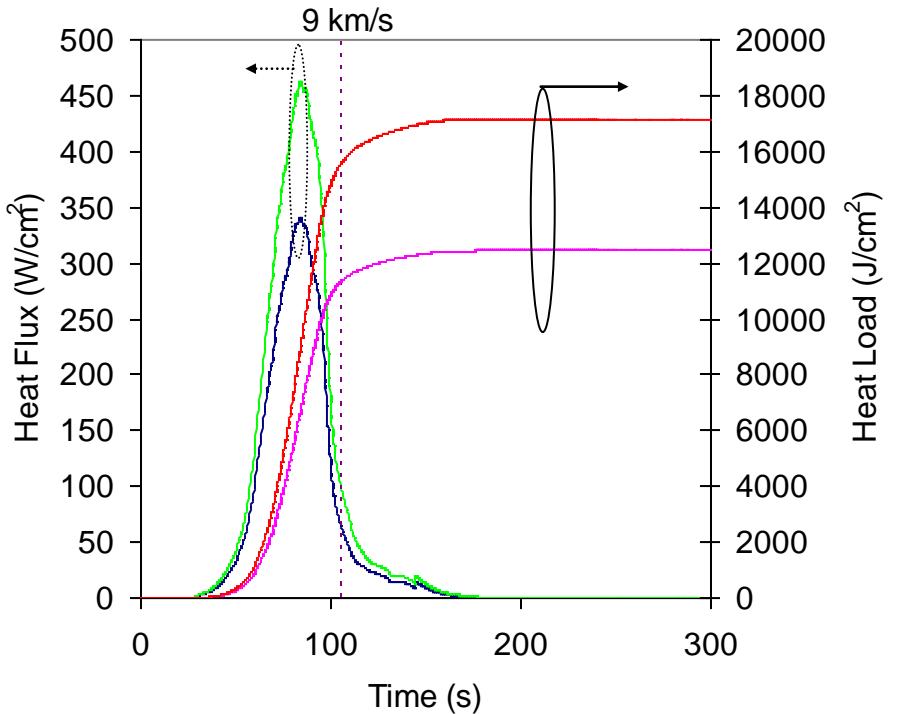
Outline

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- **Experimental Approach**
- **Sample Data**
 - Comparison of Data across two shock tubes at 0.14 Torr
 - Full data Set on data.nasa.gov
- **Model Adjustments**
 - Nitric Oxide (NO) Radiation
 - Revisions for Atomics, N₂, N₂+ - in paper
- **Comparison of Predictions to Data**
 - 0.01 Torr and 0.70 Torr
 - 0.05, 0.14 and 0.3 Torr in paper
- **Conclusions**
- **Outlook**

Motivation

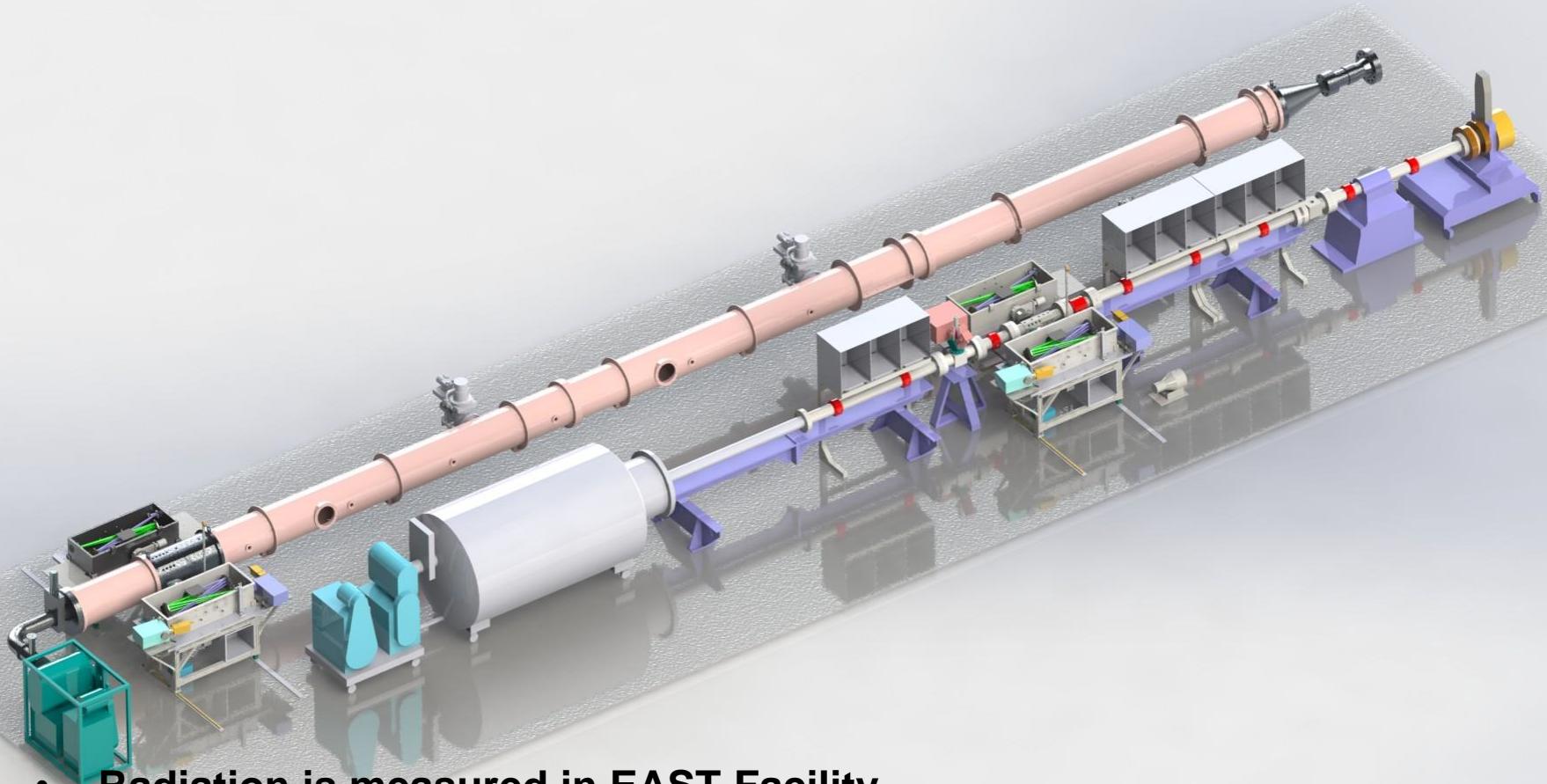
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- About 8% of Lunar Return radiative heating occurs below 9 km/s
 - Based on current models
- Return from lower altitude (e.g. EFT1) is entirely in this speed regime
- Radiation phenomena not well validated in this speed regime

Approach

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- **Radiation is measured in EAST Facility**
 - 24" Diameter tubes for low (<0.1 Torr) pressure
 - 4" Diameter tube for higher (>0.1 Torr) pressure
- **Measurement by between 2-4 spectrometers covering 190-1450 nm**



Conditions Measured

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- 51 shots between 7-9 km/s
 - 33 (27 good) on the 24" Tube (0.01, 0.05, 0.14 Torr)
 - 15 from 190-500 nm
 - 12 from 500-1450 nm
 - 18 (17 good) on the 4" Tube (0.14, 0.30, 0.50, 0.70 Torr)
 - All from 190-1450 nm
- Subset of 10 tests selected for further analysis (1 per pressure/wavelength/tube diameter combination):

| Shot No | Velocity (km/s) | Pressure (torr) | Range (nm) | Tube Diameter (cm) |
|---------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|--------------------|
| 15 | 8.18 | 0.01 | 190-500 | 60.33 |
| 32 | 8.57 | 0.01 | 500-1450 | |
| 8 | 8.62 | 0.05 | 190-500 | 60.33 |
| 24 | 8.87 | 0.05 | 500-1450 | |
| 20 | 8.29 | 0.14 | 190-500 | 60.33 |
| 22 | 8.36 | 0.14 | 500-1450 | |
| 38 | 8.33 | 0.14 | 190-1450 | 10.16 |
| 42 | 8.09 | 0.3 | 190-1450 | |
| 46 | 7.71 | 0.5 | 190-1450 | 10.16 |
| 50 | 7.34 | 0.7 | 190-1450 | 10.16 |

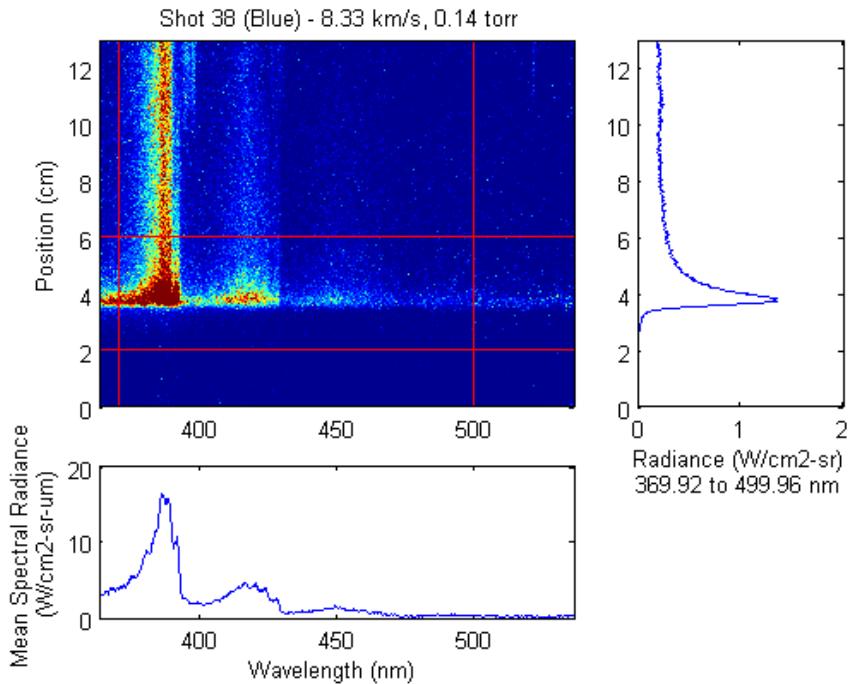
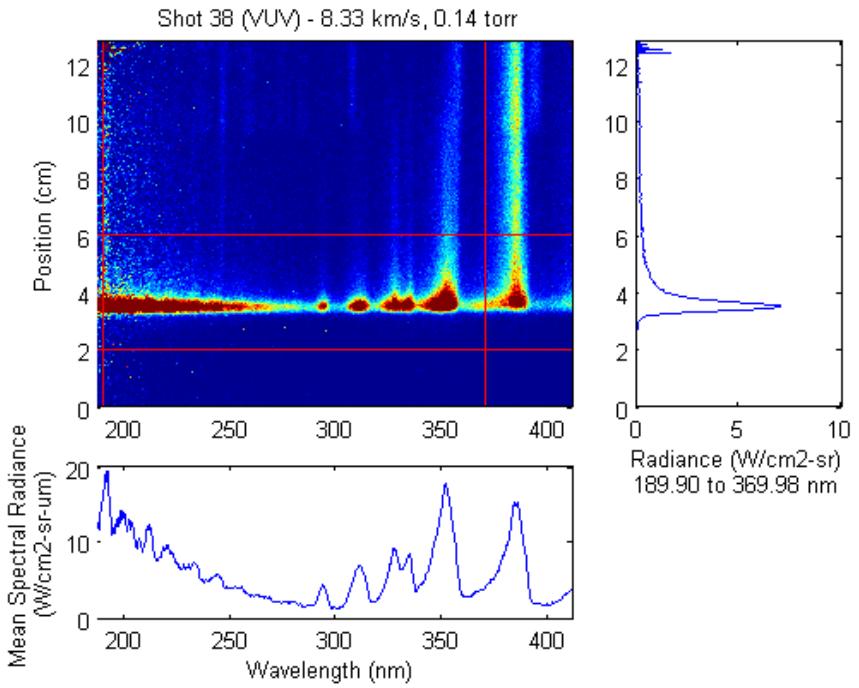
Model Tests

Paper

Consistency
Check

Sample Data (190-500 nm)

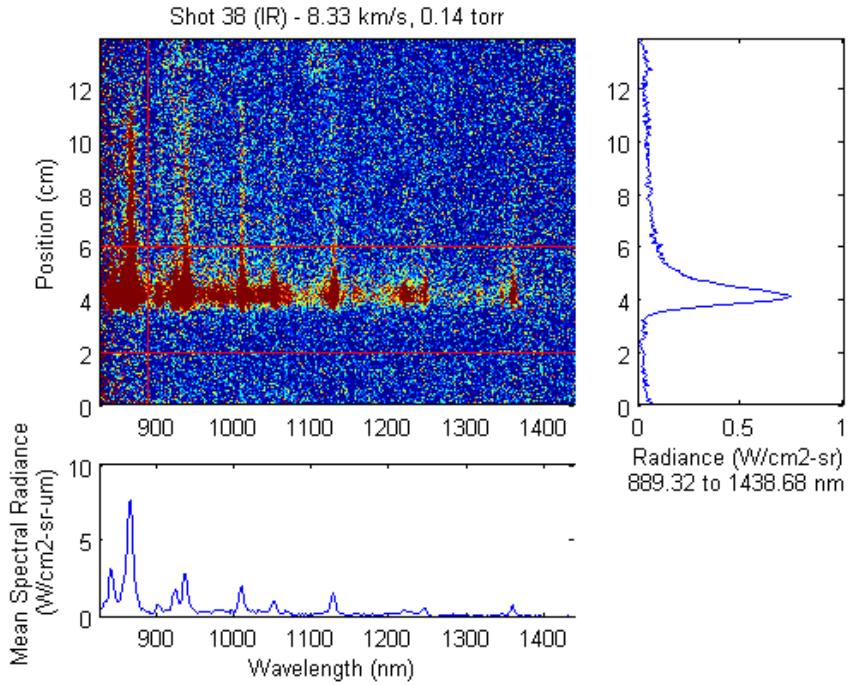
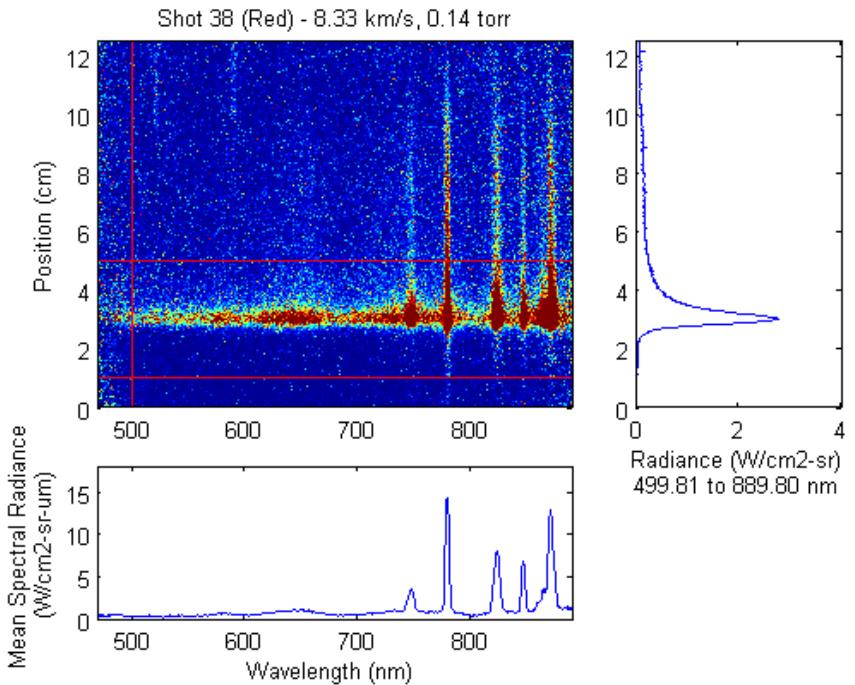
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- Spectra are resolved in wavelength and position behind shock**

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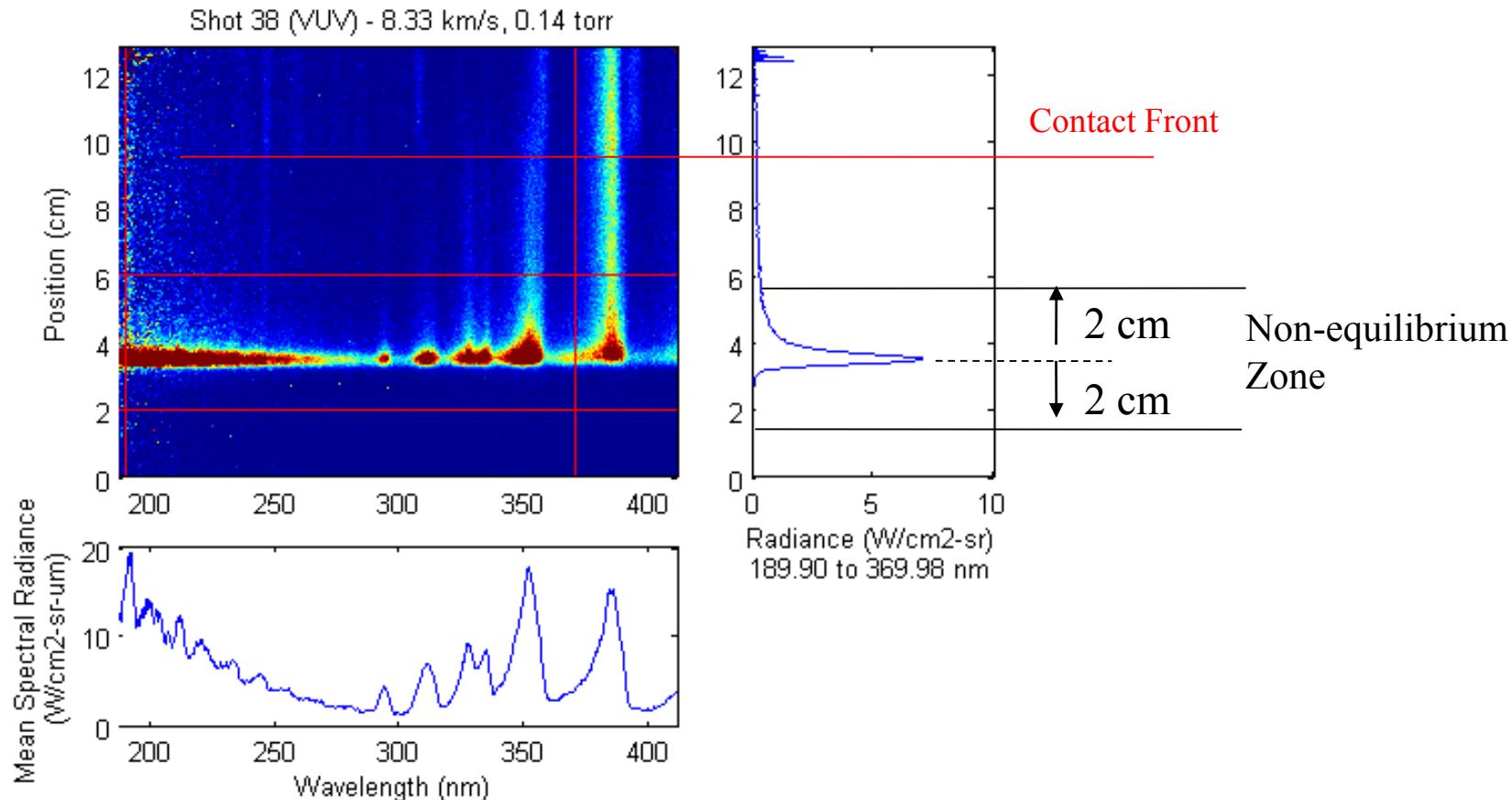
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Non-equilibrium Analysis

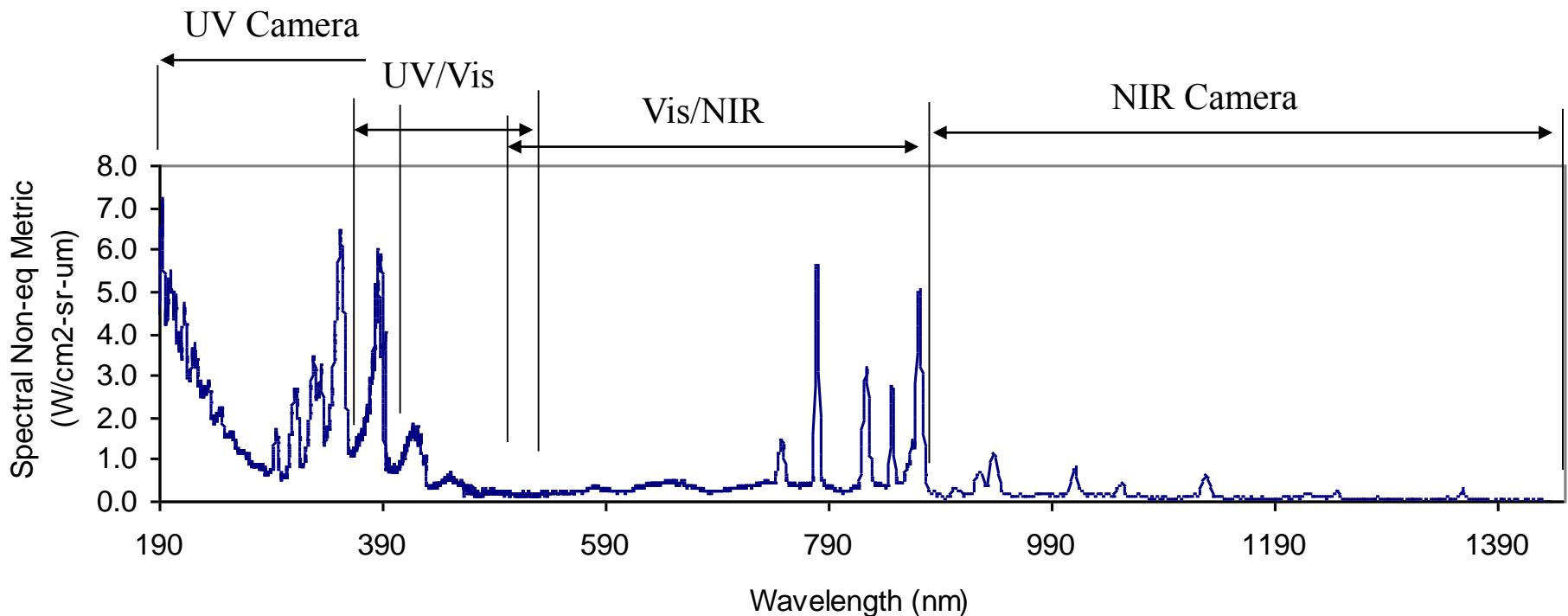
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- (somewhat) arbitrarily assign ± 2 cm of peak as “non-equilibrium zone”
- Integral of this, divided by tube diameter, is the “non-equilibrium metric”
- Presented as function of wavelength : “spectral non-equilibrium metric”

Spectral Non-equilibrium Metric

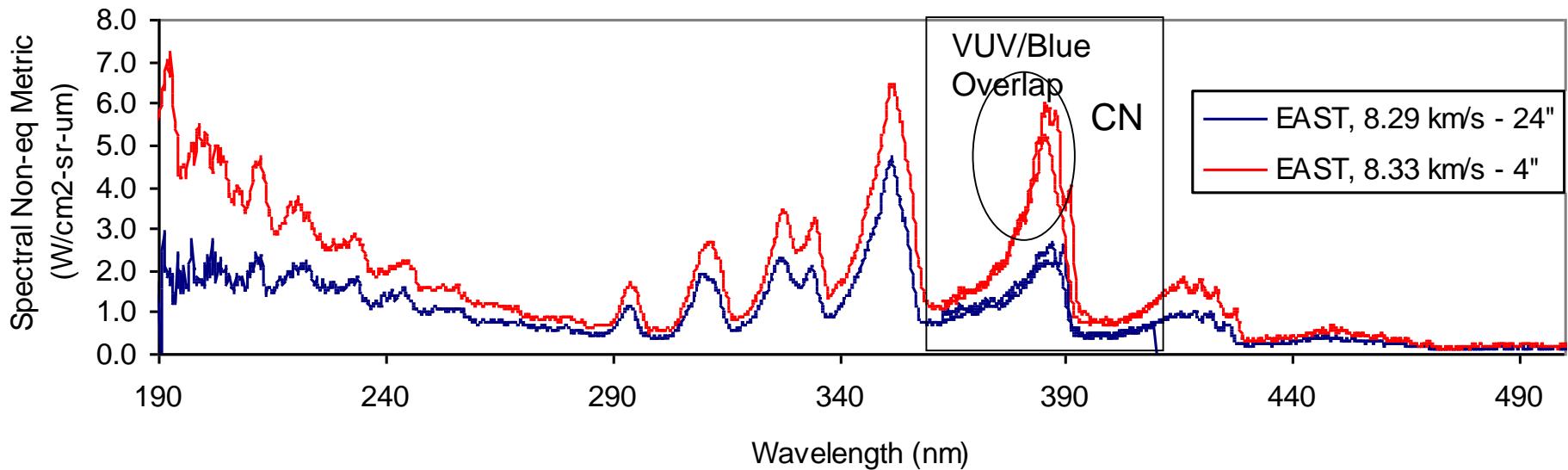
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- **Non-equilibrium metric composite from 4 different spectrometers**
- **Spectral Non-equilibrium Metric has units of radiance**
 - It is equal to the radiance accumulated through the non-equilibrium zone if the non-equilibrium region is optically thin

0.14 Torr Tube-Tube Comparison (190-500 nm)

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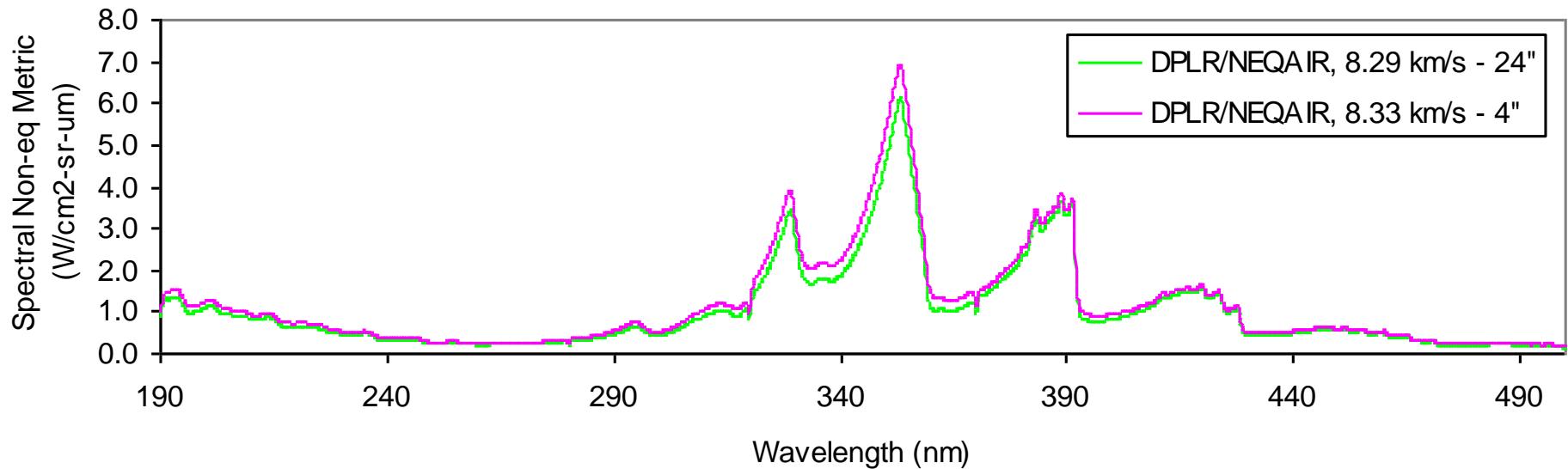


- **Spectral metric is larger in 4" tube than 24" tube**
- **Overlap region of spectrometer is consistent**
- **CN Contamination in 4" Tube**
- **Velocities differ, optical thickness may differ**
 - Check predictions



DPLR/NEQAIR Comparison (190-500 nm)

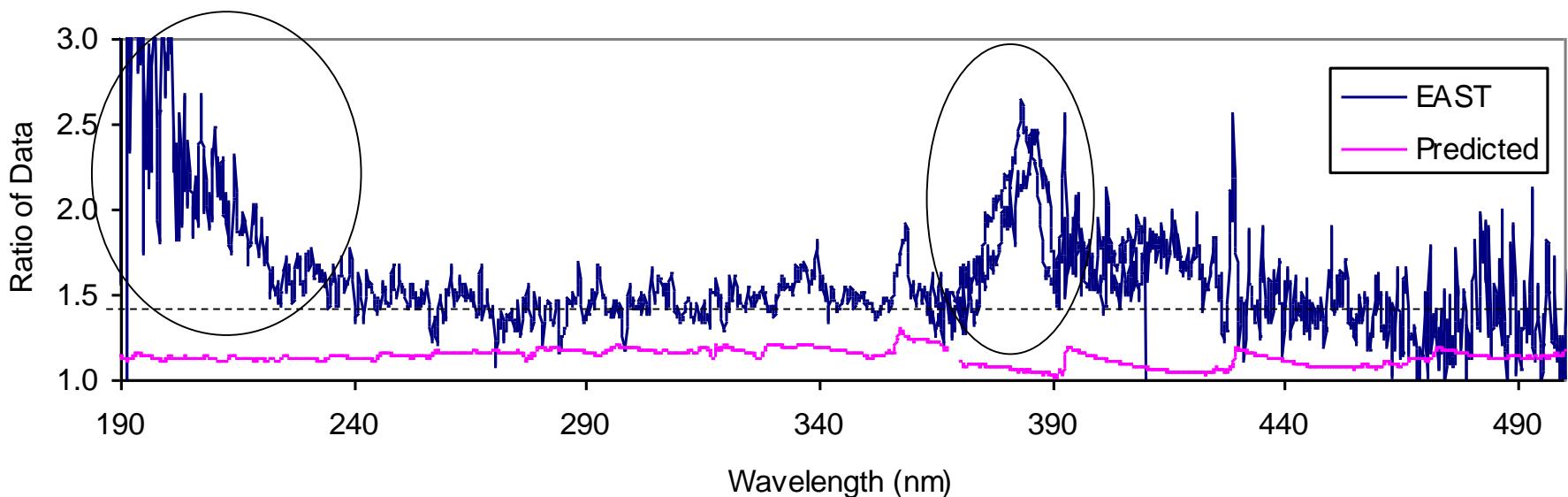
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- Some increase in radiation predicted at 8.33 km/s
- Increase is sensitive to rate model
- Prediction does not match data

Tube Disagreement (190-500 nm)

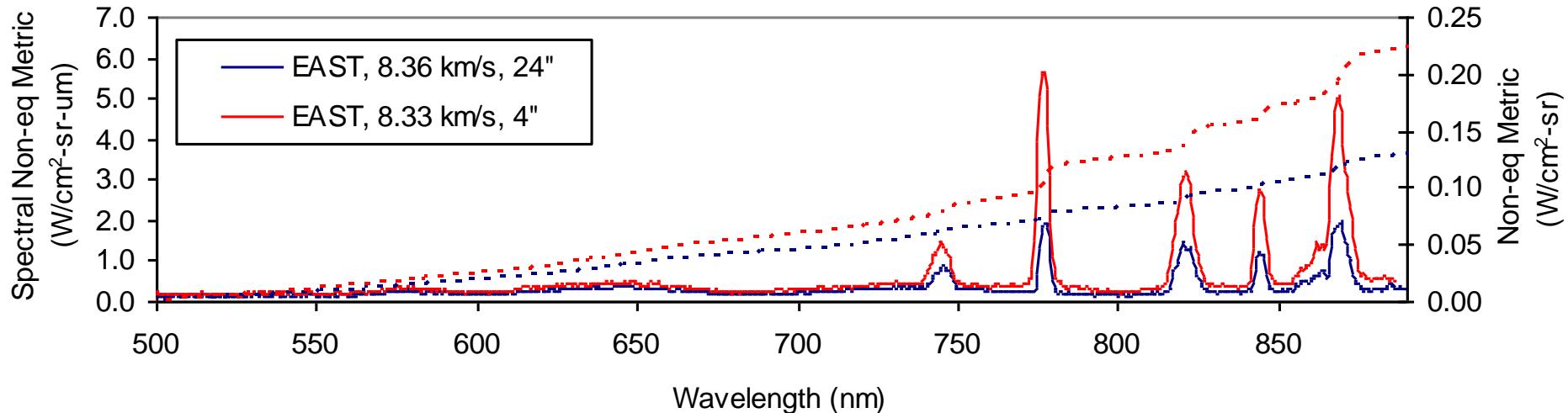
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- **Median disagreement : 46% (cf. 16% predicted)**
 - Not clear how much of remaining 30% is due to errors in prediction or experiment
- **Divergence at low wavelength**
 - 24" Tube calibration suspect based on S/N
- **CN contamination radiance**

0.14 Torr Tube-Tube Comparison (500-890 nm)

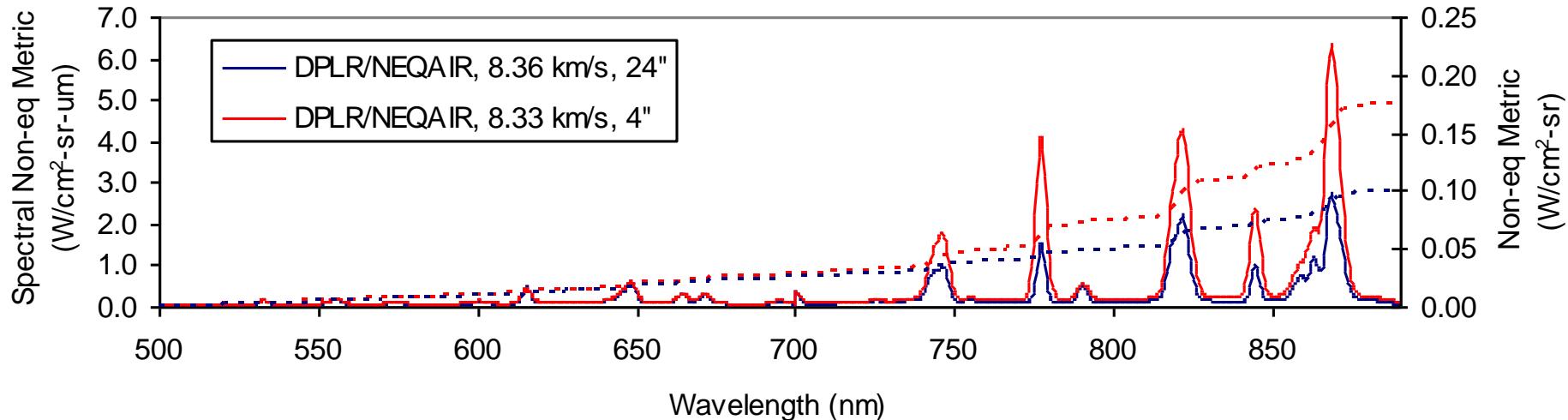
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- **Molecular emission (500-700 nm)**
 - 4" Tube 30% larger than 24" Tube
- **Atomic radiation significantly higher in 4" Tube**
 - Lines may be optically thick

Predicted Non-equilibrium metric

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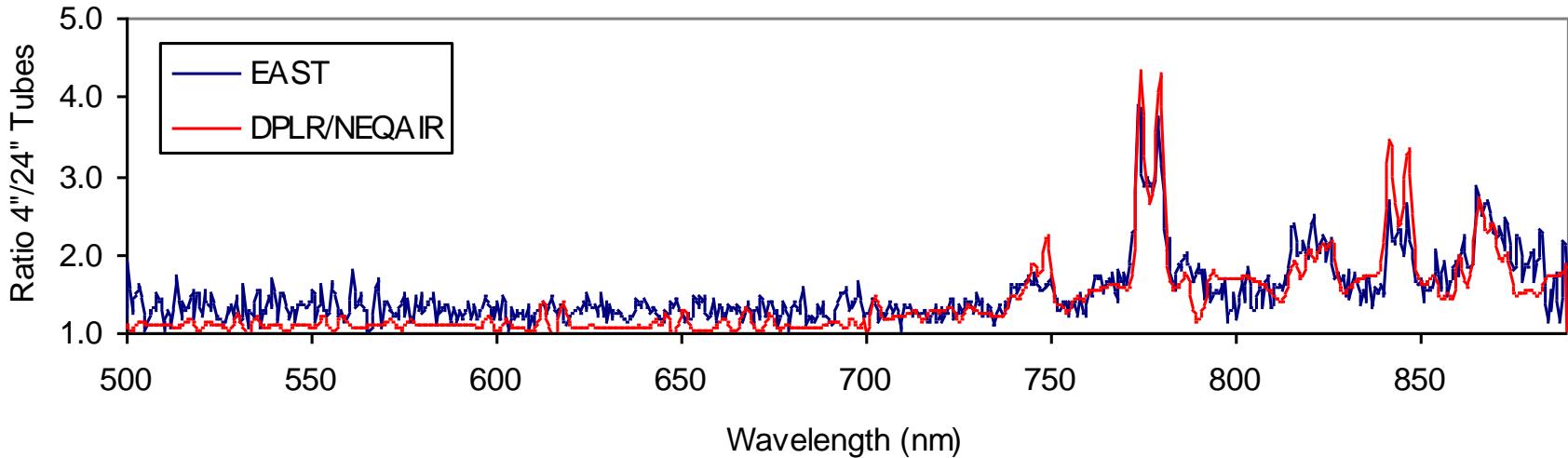


- **DPLR/NEQAIR prediction shows larger metric in 4" Tube**
 - Indicates atomic lines are optically thick
- **Molecular radiation not predicted by NEQAIR**



Ratio of Tube measurements (500-890 nm)

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- Ratio observed in EAST matches predicted ratio for atoms



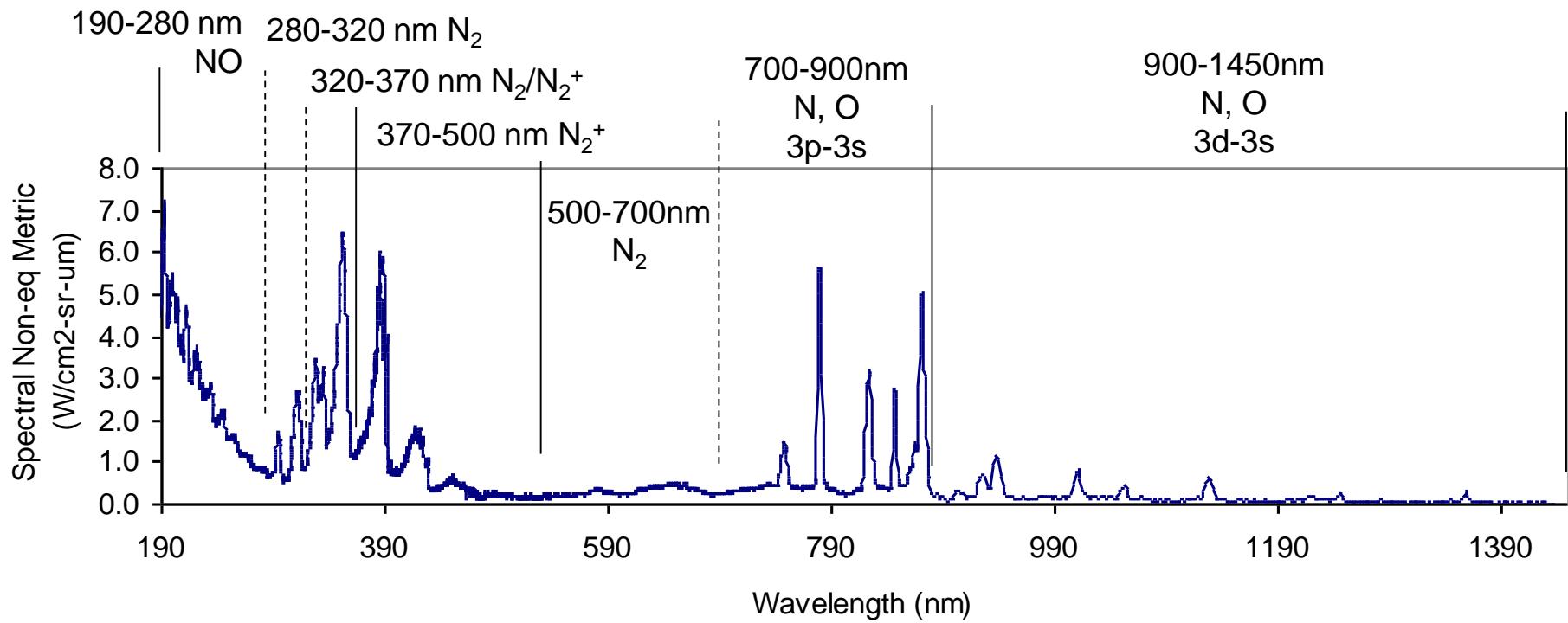
Predictive Modeling

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- DPLR/NEQAIR are used to produce 1D (stag. line) profiles for comparison to shock tube data
- Three “heritage” modeling options discussed
 - Park90 with $Te=Tt$ (DPLR Default)
 - Park93 with $Te=Tv$
 - Johnston14 with $Te=Tv$ (LAURA default)
- Revisions to Model will be discussed
 - Use data to guide reasonable modeling assumptions
 - Use third party measurements of input parameters
 - Do not “tune to fit”
 - Maintains some level of independence between model and data set

Spectral Non-equilibrium Metric

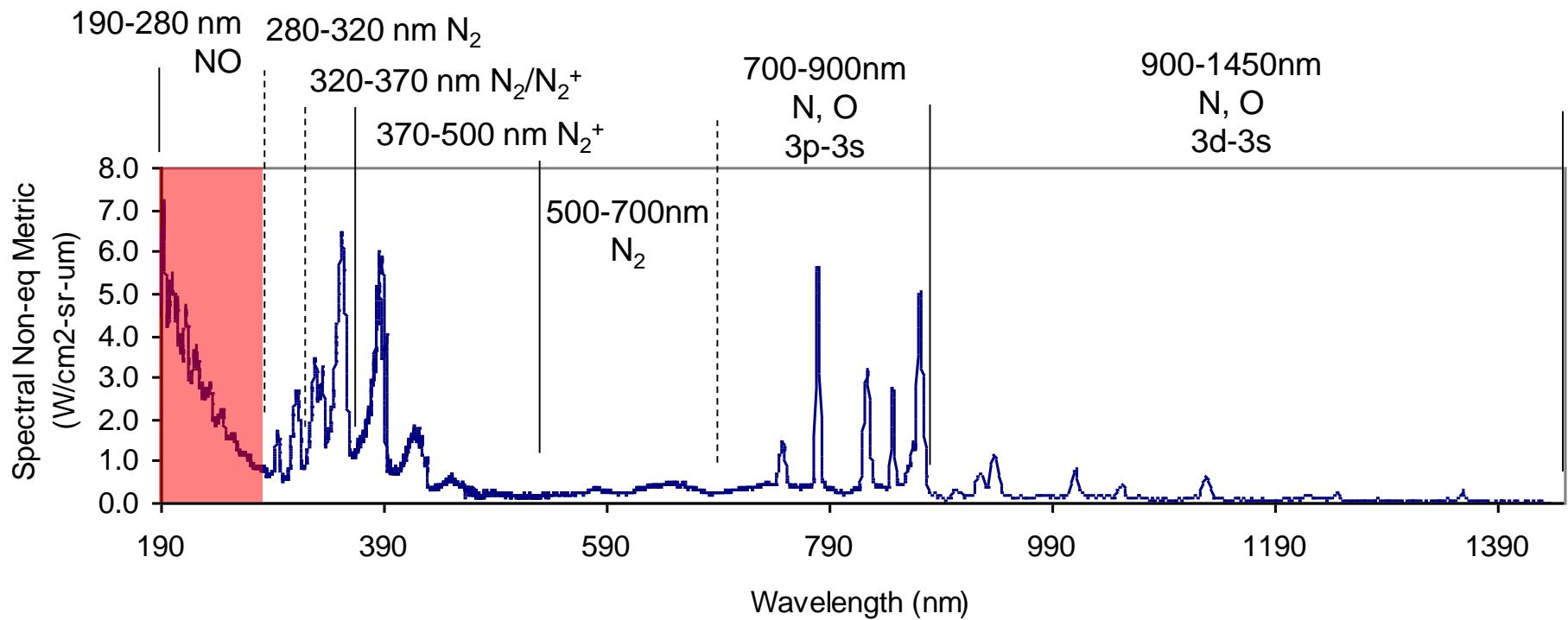
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- Analysis will be divided by spectral features for discussion

NO Radiance

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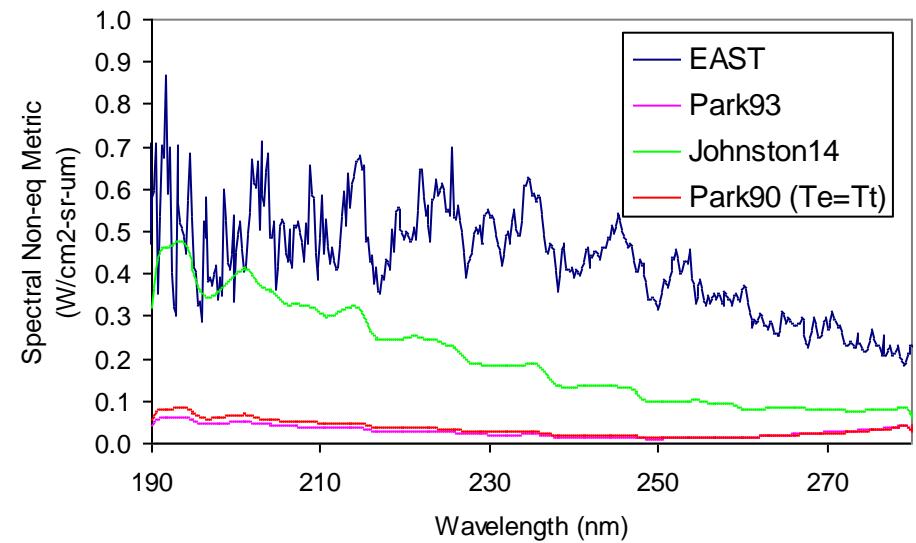


- **NO Radiance from (primarily) γ , ε bands**
 - Originate from A² Σ and D² Σ states
- **Also δ band (C² Π)**

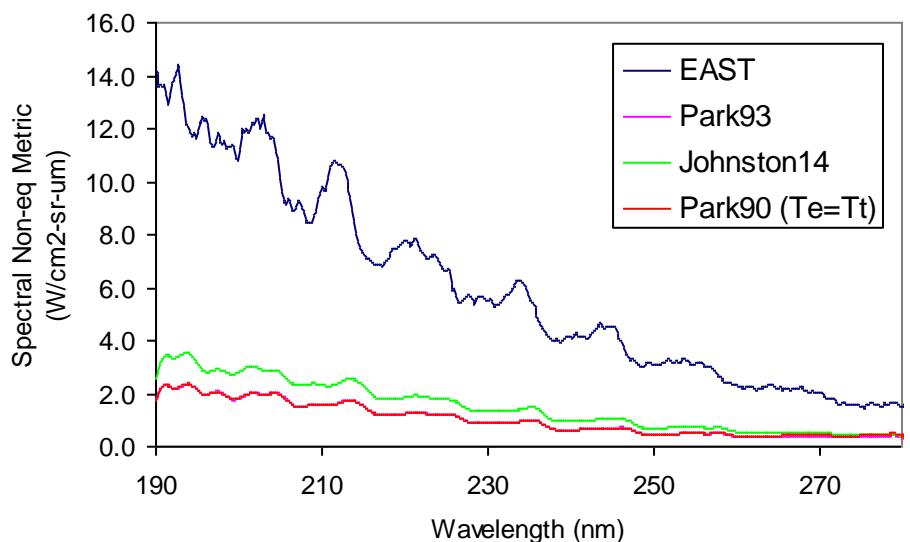
NO Comparison to Heritage

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8.18 km/s, 0.01 Torr



7.34 km/s, 0.70 Torr

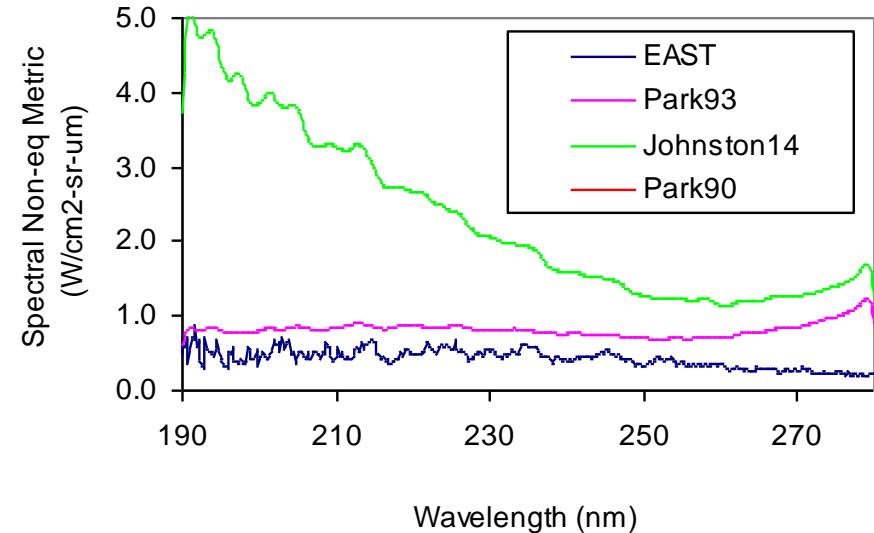


- Underpredicted at all conditions, by all models

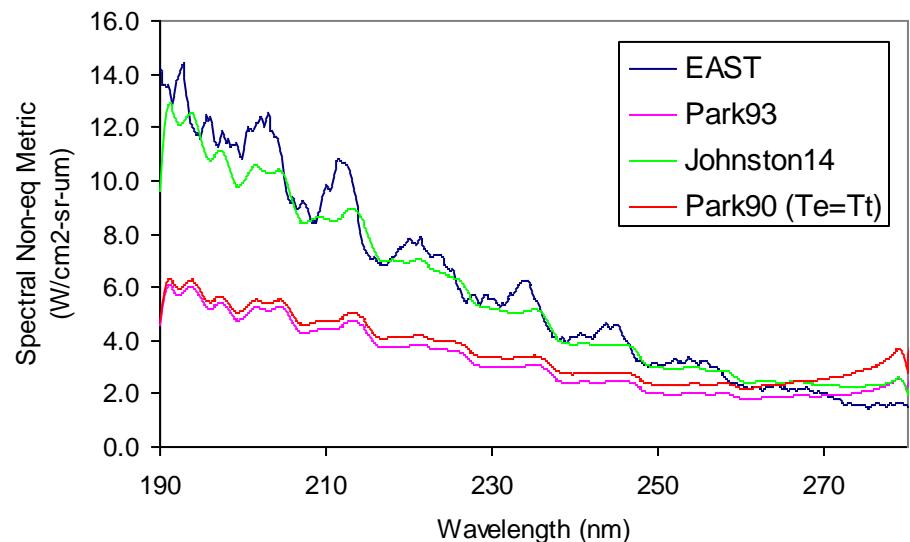
NO Boltzmann

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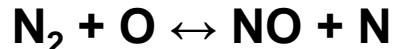


- Boltzmann Radiance is typically an upper bound for non-equilibrium radiation (in compression)**
- Park models cannot match Boltzmann radiance at 0.7 Torr**
 - Must check reaction rates
- Boltzmann radiation too high at 0.01 Torr**
 - Non-Boltzmann model needs examination

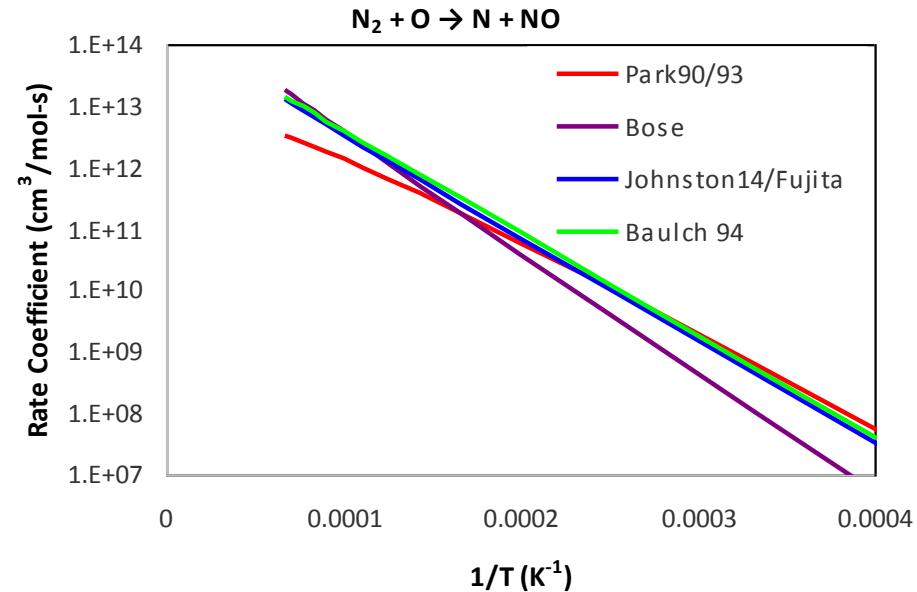
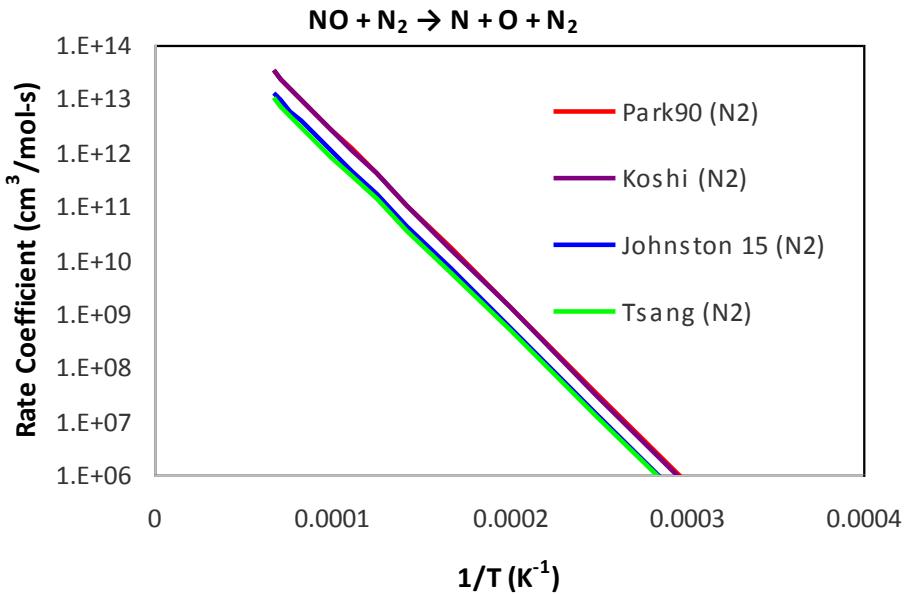
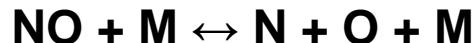
NO Reaction Kinetics

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- NO Formation is driven by so-called Zel'dovich exchange Reactions:



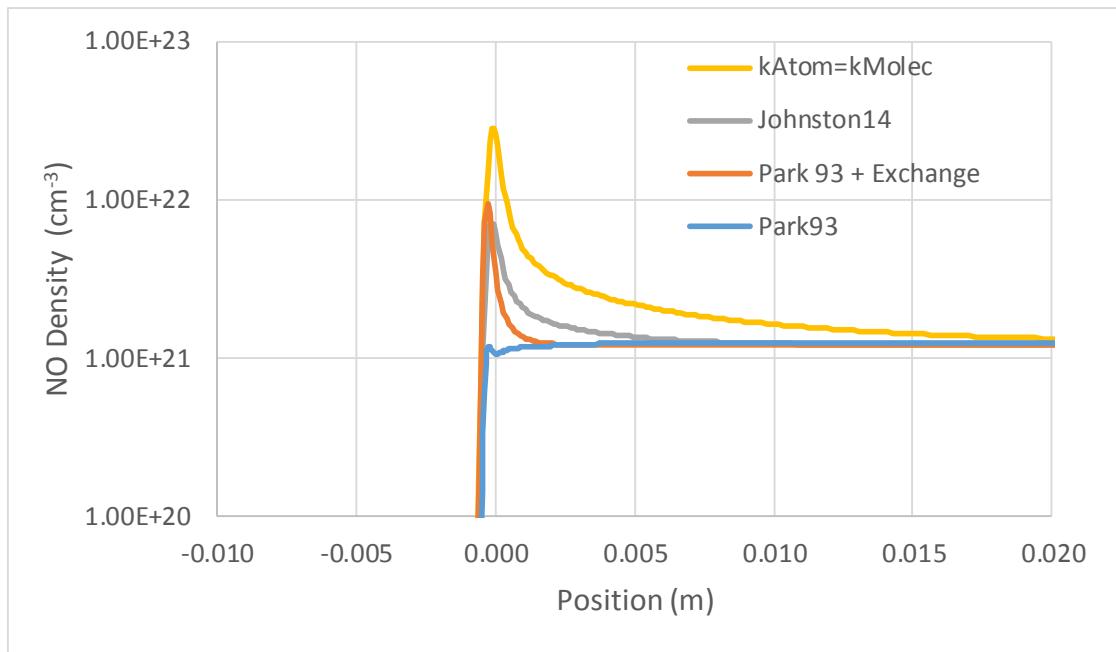
- NO Destruction depends on direct dissociation:



We opt to carry rates from combustion literature (Tsang/Baulch)

Impact on NO concentration (0.7 Torr)

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- **Updating Exchange Reactions increases peak NO density**
- **Reducing dissociation rate reduces decay**
- **Changing the ratio of dissociation by atoms vs. molecules further increases NO density**
 - Johnston follows Park : ratio is 22
 - Figure shows ratio of 1.0
 - Tsang recommended ratio of <1



NO Non-Boltzmann modeling

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- For these conditions, NO non-Boltzmann is dominated by heavy particle processes
- Internal excitation:



- Heavy particle impact Dissociation:



- Internal excitation rates in NEQAIR are only approximate, fundamental data is not available
- The reverse of internal excitation is quenching : rates are available at 300K. Assume:

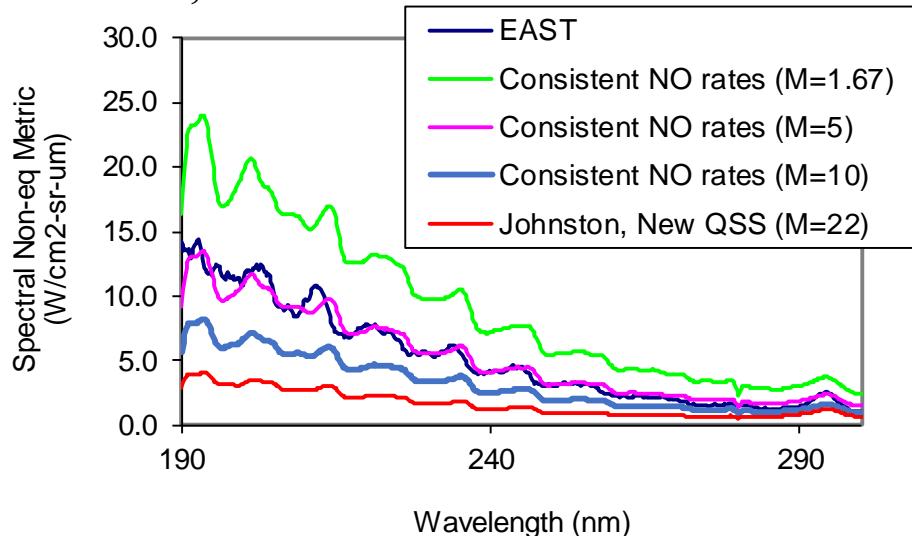
$$k_q = k_{q,0} \sqrt{\frac{T_t(K)}{300}}$$

- Heavy particle impact dissociation is updated to be consistent with rate chemistry
- Ratio of atomic to molecular driven dissociation is still undetermined

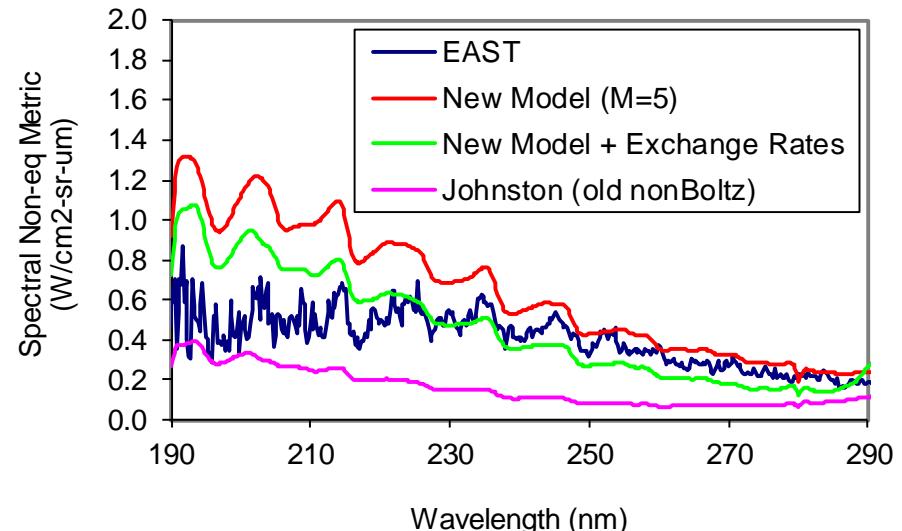
Adjust Atom/Molecule Rates

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7.34 km/s, 0.70 Torr



8.18 km/s, 0.01 Torr



- **Rates adjusted consistently in DPLR and NEQAIR**
- **Ratio of 5 matches 0.7 Torr data**
- **Also matches NO γ at 0.01 Torr**
- **NO δ is overpredicted at 0.01 Torr**
 - Possibly experimental error due to lower sensitivity in this region



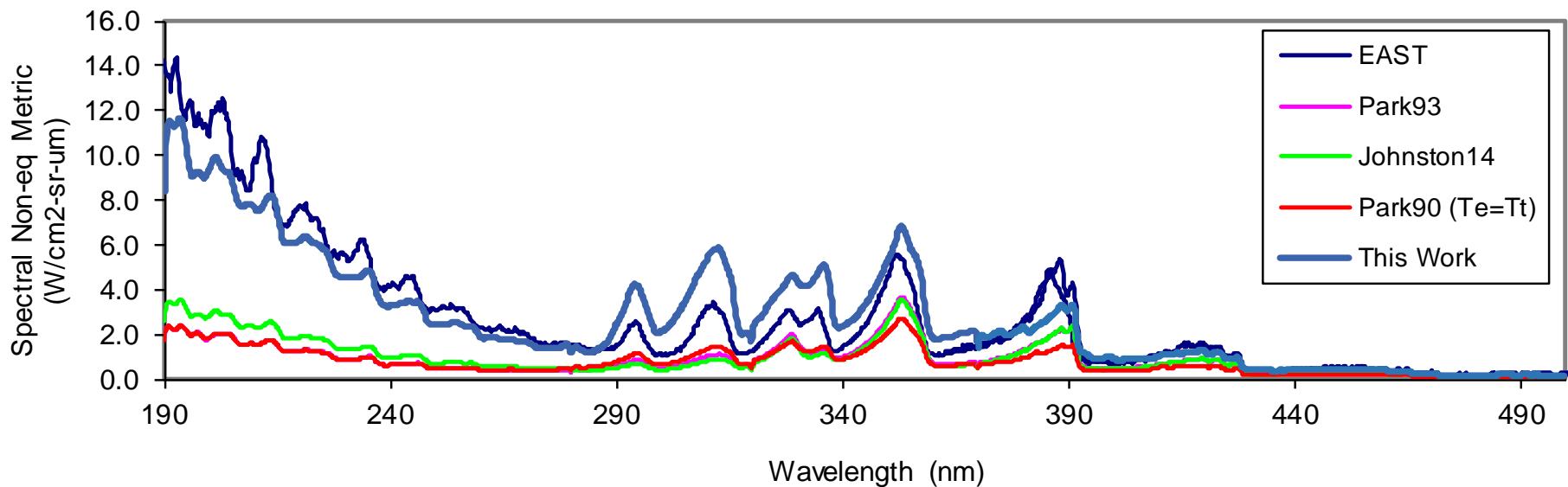
Summary of Model Revisions

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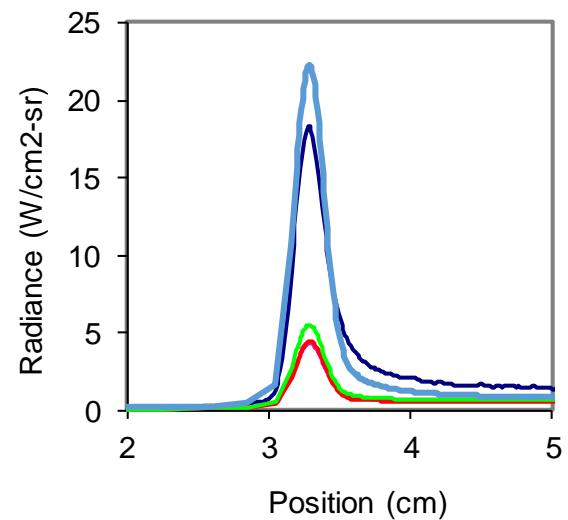
- **Flowfield model**
 - Update NO dissociation and exchange rates to be consistent with combustion literature
 - Alter ratio of NO dissociation by atoms vs. molecules to 5
 - Electron impact dissociation rate from radiation model used for flowfield
 - Associative Ionization controlled by T_e
 - Update selected charge exchange rates
- **Non-Boltzmann Radiation Model - Molecules**
 - Heavy particle dissociation rate consistent with flowfield dissociation rate
 - Use quenching rates from literature to calculate heavy particle excitation rates for molecules
 - Electron impact dissociation calculation corrected
 - Estimate and include contributions from excited states
- **Non-Boltzmann Radiation Model – Atoms**
 - Excitation rates updated to hybrid of Huo (dipole allowed) and Park (unallowed)
 - Include Associative Ionization process

Results – 0.7 Torr, 7.34 km/s (190-500 nm)

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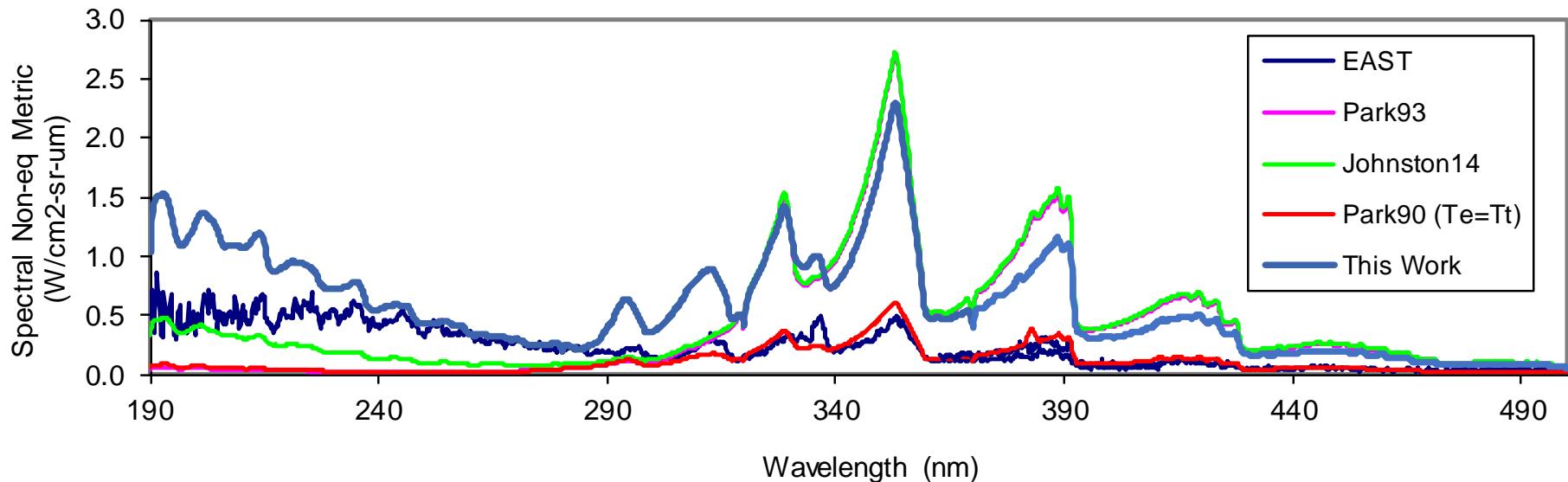


- **NO and N₂⁺ underpredictions rectified (mostly)**
- **N₂ 2nd Positive Somewhat Overpredicted**
- **Reasonable match to temporal trend**

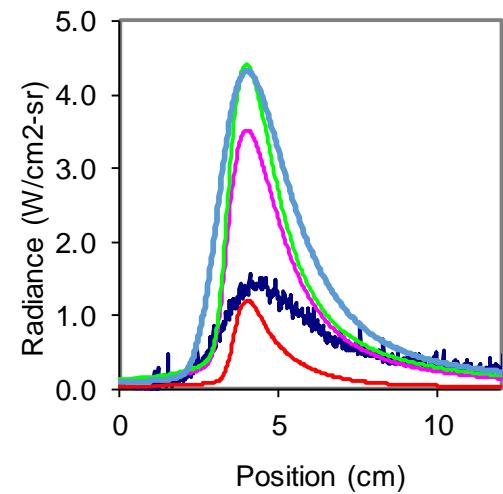


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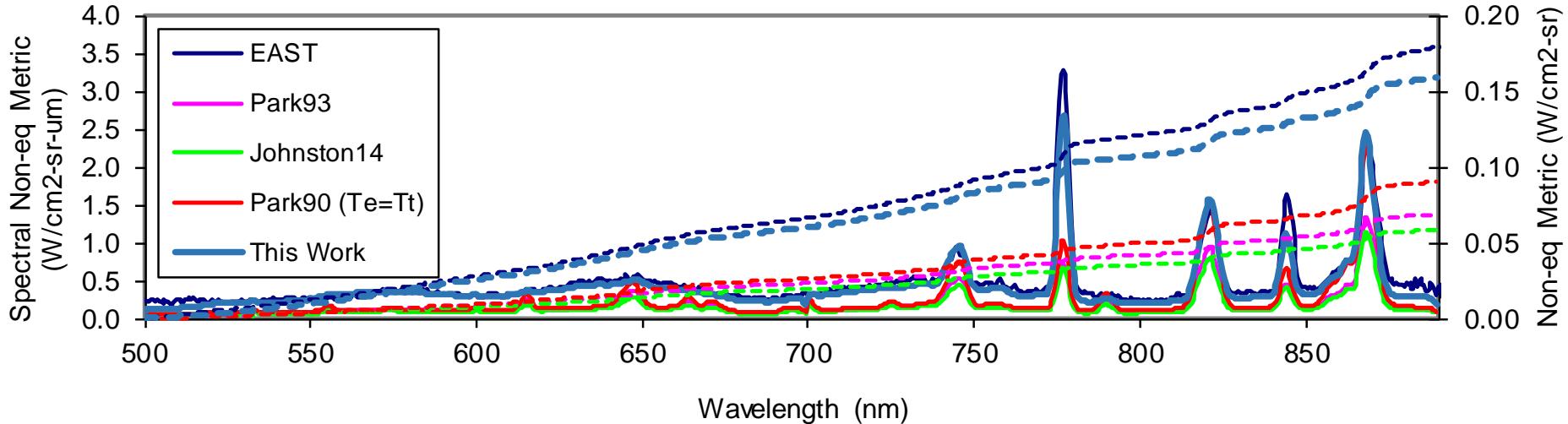


- **N₂⁺ still overpredicted**
- **N₂ 2nd Positive overpredicted**
- **NO matched 240-290nm (Gamma bands)**
- **NO overpredicted < 240 nm (Epsilon bands)**

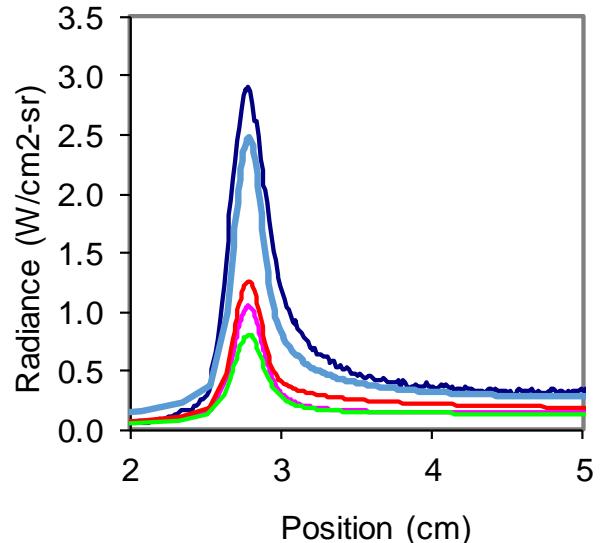


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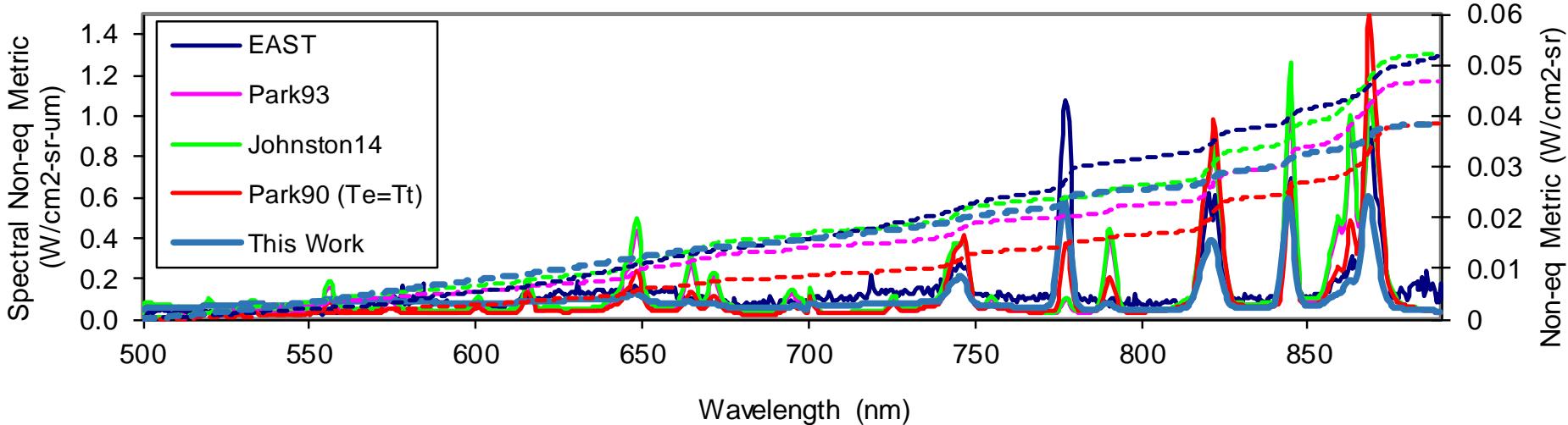


- **N_2 1st Positive Matched**
- **Atomic lines nearly matched**
- **Reasonable match to temporal trend**

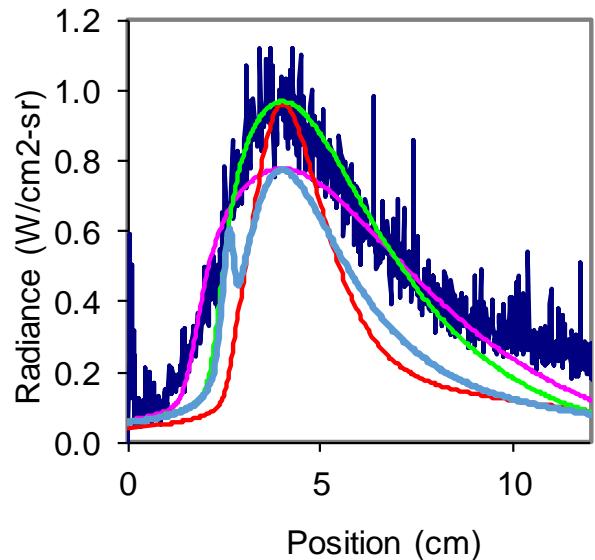


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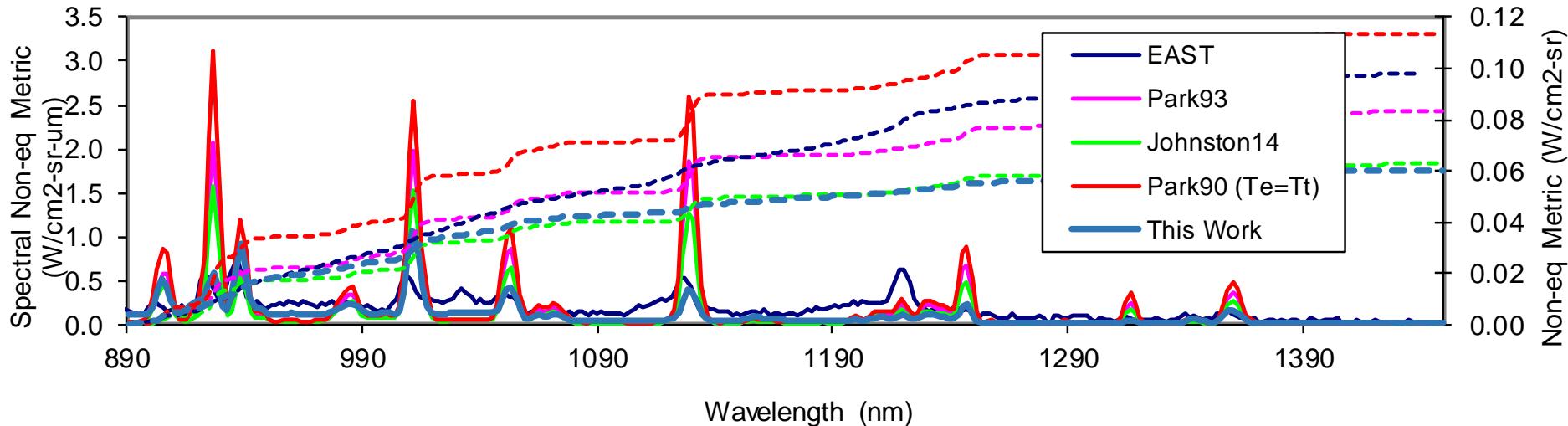


- Underprediction N_2 1st Positive Matched
- Extra atomic lines eliminated
- Other atomic lines underpredicted
- Temporal trend shows spike at shock front

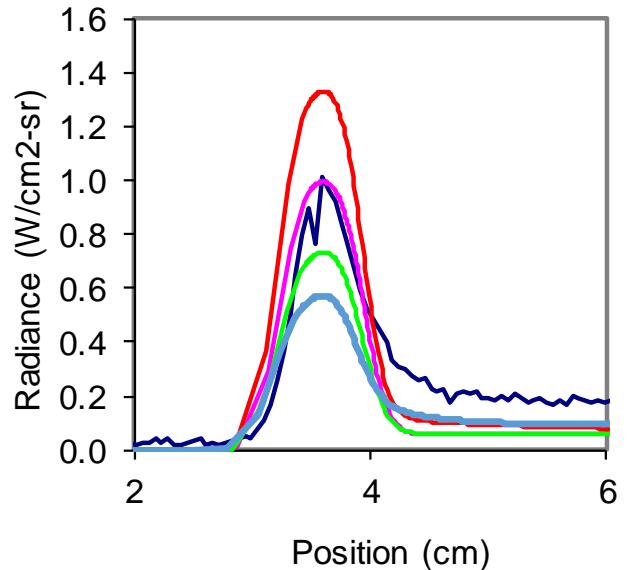


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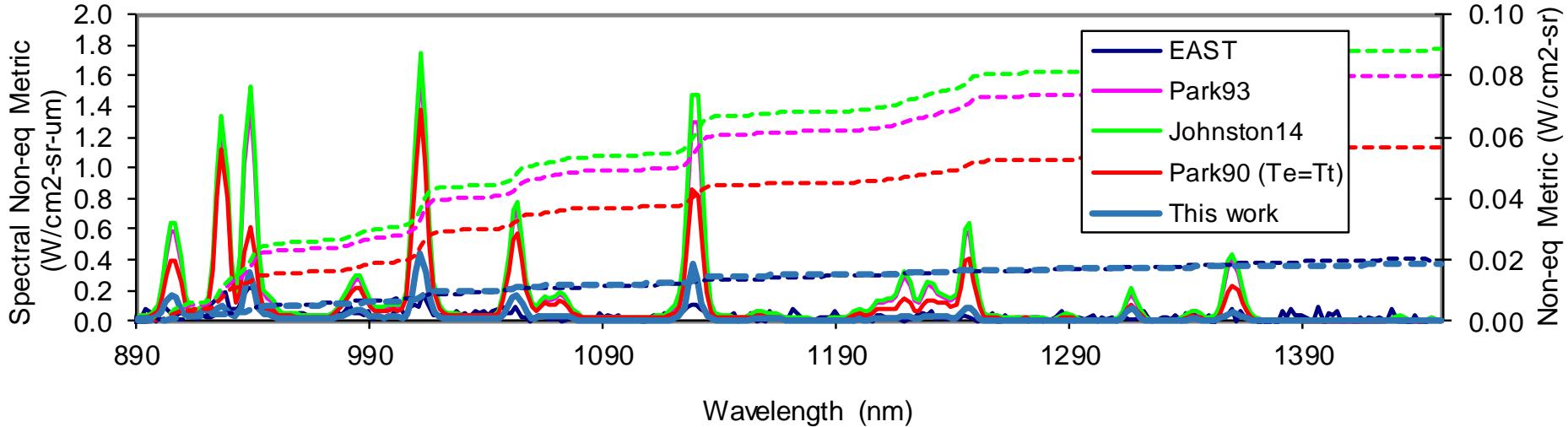


- Atomic overprediction eliminated, lines that are present are reasonably close
- Missing molecular radiation source (TBD)
- Temporal trend looks ok

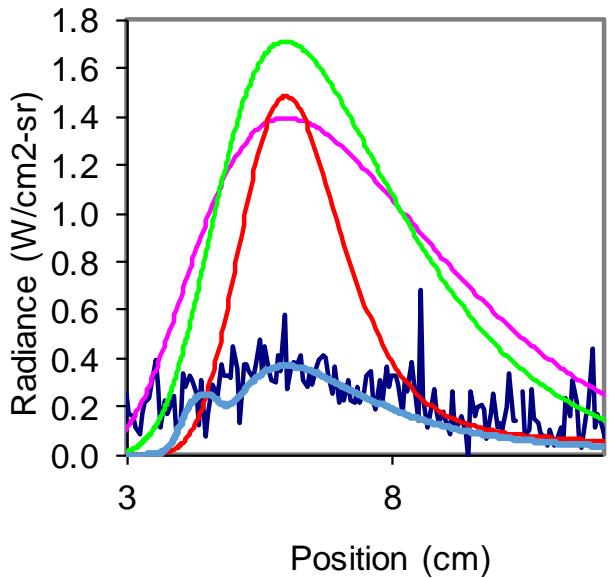


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- **Atomic overprediction eliminated**
- **Integral matches data**
- **Spike observed at shock front, trend otherwise ok**





Summary

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- Non-equilibrium Radiation Data Measured from 7-9 km/s at 6 freestream pressures from 0.01-0.70 Torr
 - Comparison across two tubes with different diameter, calibration source indicate confidence in data of ~30% (in UV) or better (Vis/NIR)
 - Presentation focuses on highest and lowest pressure ranges
- Agreement to Predictive (DPLR/NEQAIR) Model has been improved
 - Underprediction of N₂/NO resolved by changes to rate chemistry, heavy particle excitation rates
 - N₂⁺ overpredicted at low pressure, revised rate/excitation model fixes underprediction at high pressure
 - Prediction of atomic radiation improved by
 - Changing excitation model (high energy states)
 - Including associative ionization in non-Boltzmann model (3p states)
- How does your model do?

<https://data.nasa.gov/docs/datasets/aerothermodynamics/EAST/index.html>



Work to go

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- **Low pressure overpredictions of**
 - N_2^+ : State specific associative ionization?
 - NO, N_2 : Pre-dissociation rates?
- **Missing molecular features in infrared (high pressure)**
- **Spike in shock front at low pressure**
- **Underpredicted atomic lines at low pressure**
- **non-Boltzmann associative ionization model : needs realistic statewise rates**



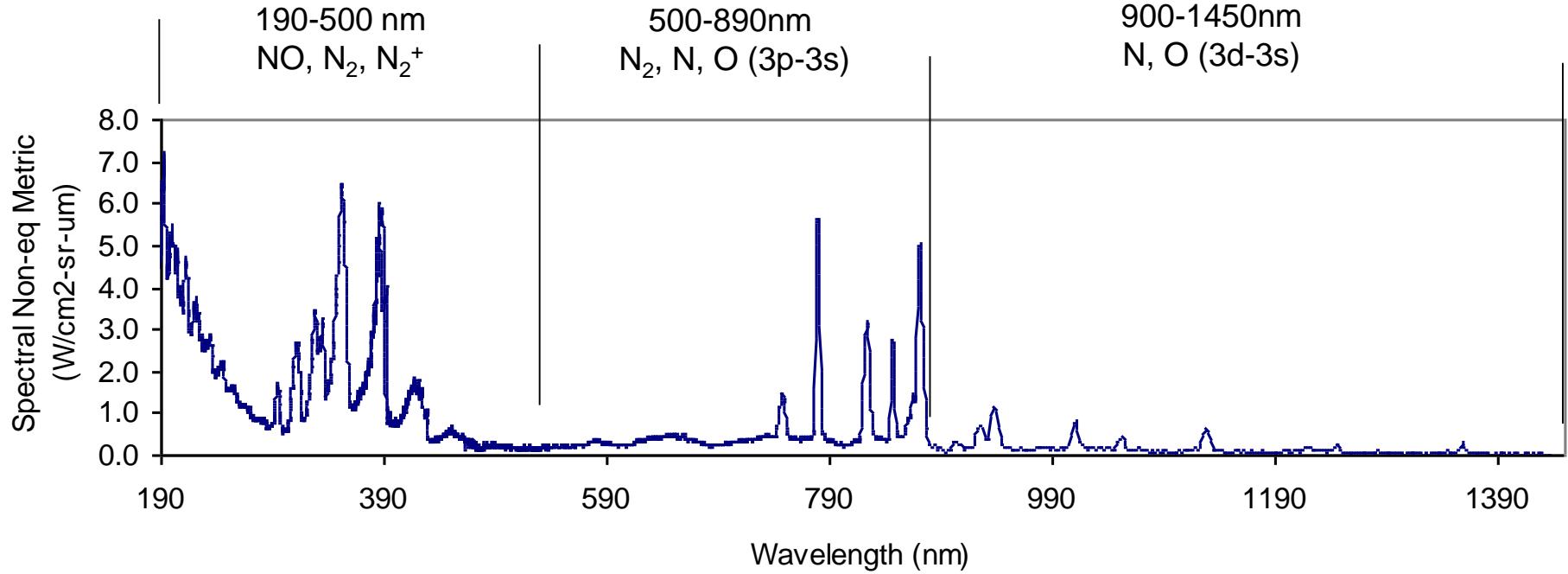
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Backup



Spectral Non-equilibrium Metric

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- **Identification of features suggests regions for further analysis**



Reaction Rates

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- There are between up to 23 reactions rates across the 3 models, 11 of which have some differences:

| | |
|--|---|
| $\text{NO} + \text{M} \leftrightarrow \text{N} + \text{O} + \text{M}$ | increased by Johnston |
| $\text{N}_2 + \text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{NO} + \text{N}$ | Johnston used rate from Fujita, 2006 |
| $\text{NO} + \text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{O}_2 + \text{N}$ | Johnston uses rate from Bose, 1997 |
| $\text{N} + \text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{NO}^+ + \text{e}^-$ | Updated Park93, Johnston/Park90 same |
| $\text{N} + \text{N} \leftrightarrow \text{N}_2^+ + \text{e}$ | Updated Park93, Johnston/Park93 same |
| $\text{O} + \text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{O}_2^+ + \text{e}$ | Updated Park93, Johnston/Park93 same |
| $\text{O}^+ + \text{NO} \leftrightarrow \text{N}^+ + \text{O}_2$ | Activation energies differ |
| $\text{N}^+ + \text{N}_2 \leftrightarrow \text{N}_2^+ + \text{N}$ same | Missing from Park90, Johnston/Park93 |
| $\text{O}_2^+ + \text{O} \leftrightarrow \text{O}^+ + \text{O}_2$ same | Missing from Park90*, Johnston/Park93 |
| $\text{N}_2 + \text{e} \leftrightarrow \text{N} + \text{N} + \text{e}$ | Differs across all three chemistries |
| $\text{O}_2 + \text{e} \leftrightarrow \text{O}_2^+ + \text{e}$ | Missing from Park90/Park93 |

These rates not important

* As implemented in DPLR



Revised Kinetic Model

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| Reaction | M | A (cm ³ /mol·s) | n | E _a (K) | Controlling Temperature | Ref |
|---|----------------|-------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| N ₂ + M → 2N + M | Molecule | 7.0 × 10 ²¹ | -1.6 | 113,200 | √TT _{ev} | [5] |
| | Atom | 3.0 × 10 ²² | | | | |
| | e ⁻ | 1.2 × 10 ⁷ | 2.69 | | T _e | This work |
| O ₂ + M → 2O + M | Molecule | 2.0 × 10 ²¹ | -1.5 | 59,500 | √TT _{ev} | [5] |
| | Atom | 1.0 × 10 ²² | | | | |
| | e ⁻ | | | | | |
| NO + M → N + O + M | Molecule | 1.5 × 10 ¹⁵ | 0 | 74,570 | √TT _{ev} | [21] |
| | Atom | 7.3 × 10 ¹⁵ | | | | |
| | e ⁻ | 5.7 × 10 ¹⁸ | | | T _e | This work |
| N + e ⁻ → N ⁺ + 2e ⁻ | | 2.5 × 10 ³⁴ | -3.82 | 168,600 | T _e | [6] |
| O + e ⁻ → O ⁺ + 2e ⁻ | | 3.9 × 10 ³³ | -3.78 | 158,500 | T _e | [5] |
| N ₂ + O → NO + N | | 1.8 × 10 ¹⁴ | 0 | 38,249 | T _t | [24] |
| O ₂ + N → NO + O | | 9.0 × 10 ⁹ | 1.0 | 3,270 | T _t | [24] |
| N + O → NO ⁺ + e ⁻ | | 8.8 × 10 ⁸ | 1.0 | 31,900 | T _e | [6] |
| N + N → N ₂ ⁺ + e | | 4.4 × 10 ⁷ | 1.5 | 67,500 | T _e | [6] |
| O + O → O ₂ ⁺ + e | | 7.1 × 10 ² | 2.7 | 80,600 | T _e | [6] |
| N ⁺ + N ₂ → N ₂ ⁺ + N | | 7.0 × 10 ⁶ | 1.47 | 13,130 | T _t | This work |
| O ⁺ + N ₂ → N ₂ ⁺ + O | | 9.1 × 10 ¹¹ | 0.36 | 22,800 | T _t | [5] |
| O ₂ ⁺ + O → O ⁺ + O ₂ | | 4.0 × 10 ¹² | -0.09 | 18,000 | T _t | [6] |
| O ⁺ + NO → N ⁺ + O ₂ | | 1.4 × 10 ⁵ | 1.9 | 26,600 | T _t | [6] |
| NO ⁺ + O ₂ → O ₂ ⁺ + NO | | 2.4 × 10 ¹³ | 0.41 | 32,600 | T _t | [5] |
| NO ⁺ + N → N ₂ ⁺ + O | | 7.2 × 10 ¹³ | 0 | 35,500 | T _t | [5] |
| NO ⁺ + O → N ⁺ + O ₂ | | 1.0 × 10 ¹² | 0.5 | 77,200 | T _t | [5] |
| O ₂ ⁺ + N → N ⁺ + O ₂ | | 8.7 × 10 ¹³ | 0.14 | 28,600 | T _t | [5] |
| O ₂ ⁺ + N ₂ → N ₂ ⁺ + O ₂ | | 9.9 × 10 ¹² | 0 | 40,700 | T _t | [5] |
| NO ⁺ + N → O ⁺ + N ₂ | | 3.4 × 10 ¹³ | -1.08 | 12,800 | T _t | [5] |
| NO ⁺ + O → O ₂ ⁺ + N | | 7.2 × 10 ¹² | 0.29 | 48,600 | T _t | [5] |
| NO + N ⁺ → NO ⁺ + N | | 1.8 × 10 ¹² | 0.57 | 0 | T _t | This work |

Park 90

Park 93

Combustion Literature

Evaluated from ion collision cross-section data

From electron-impact cross-sections

Adjusted to match data

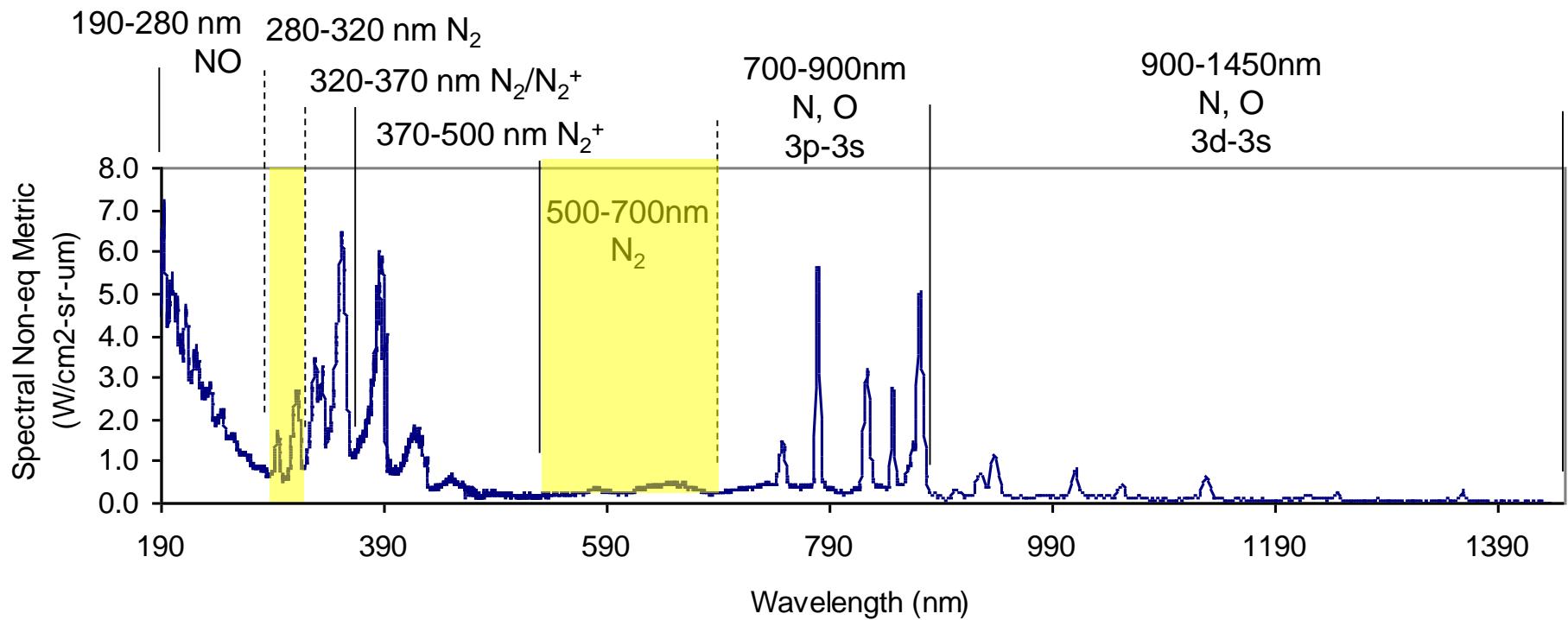


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N₂ Model

N₂ Radiance

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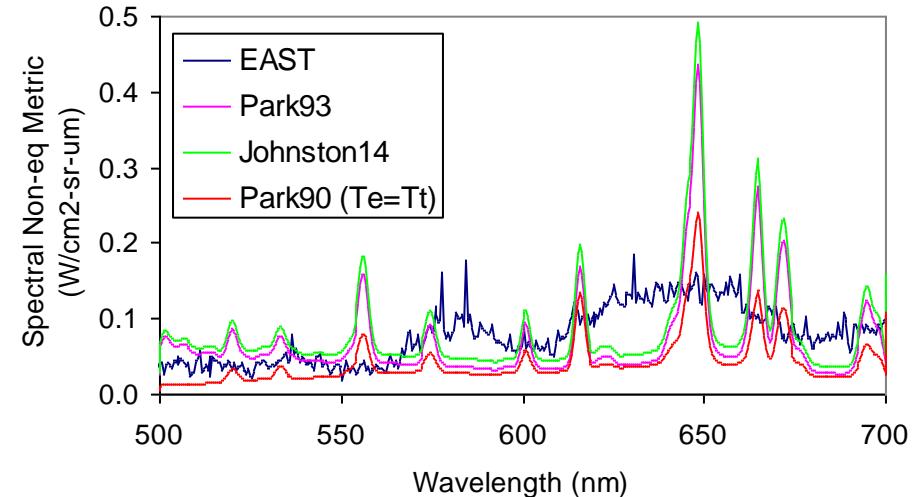


- **N₂ Features from**
 - **1st Positive System (B³Π → A³Π)** 500-750 nm
 - **2nd Positive System (C³Π → B³Π)** 280-390 nm

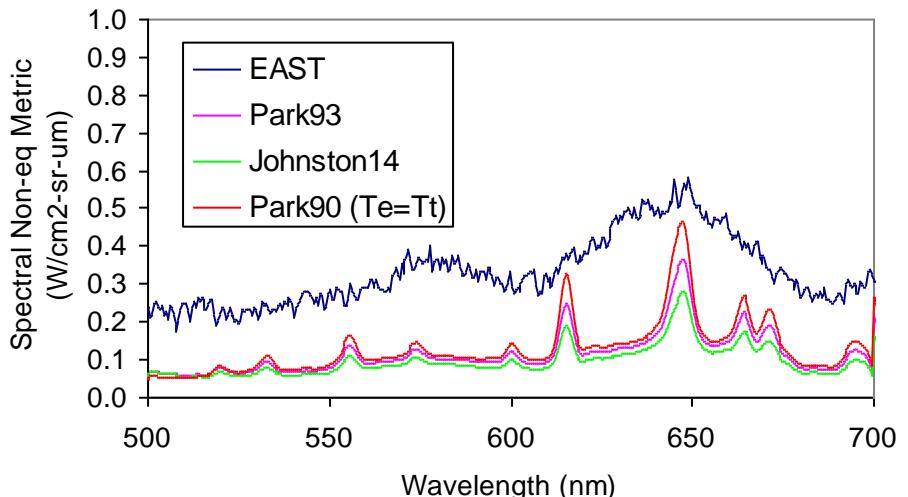
N₂ 1st Positive

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8.18 km/s, 0.01 Torr



7.34 km/s, 0.70 Torr

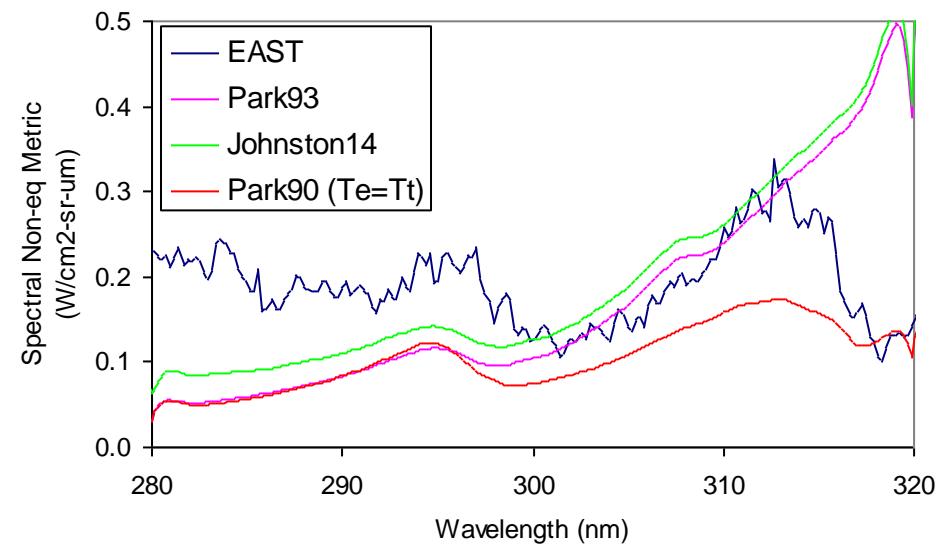


- Underpredicted at all conditions
- Bonus Atomic Lines!

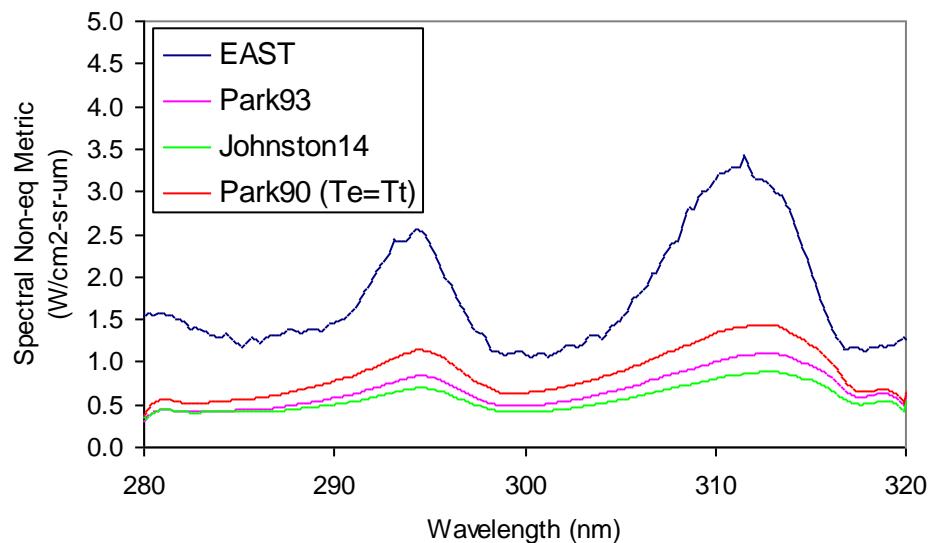
N_2 2nd Positive

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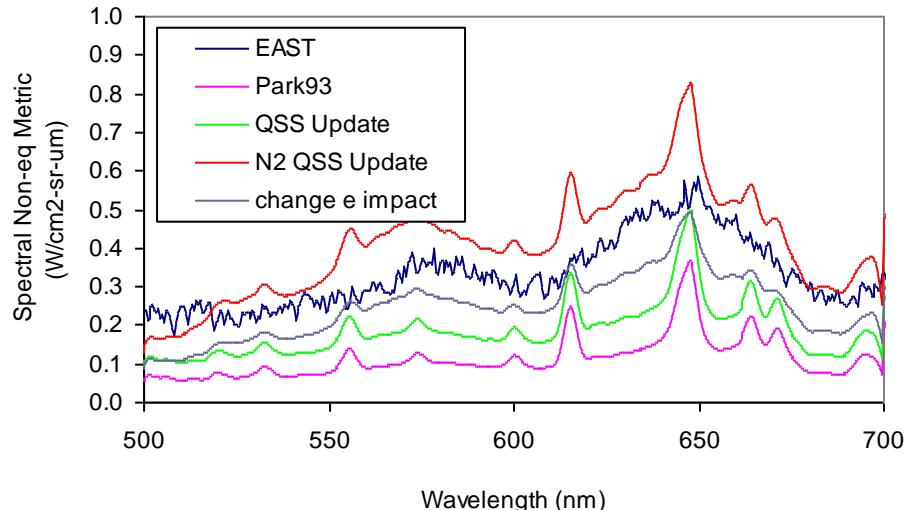
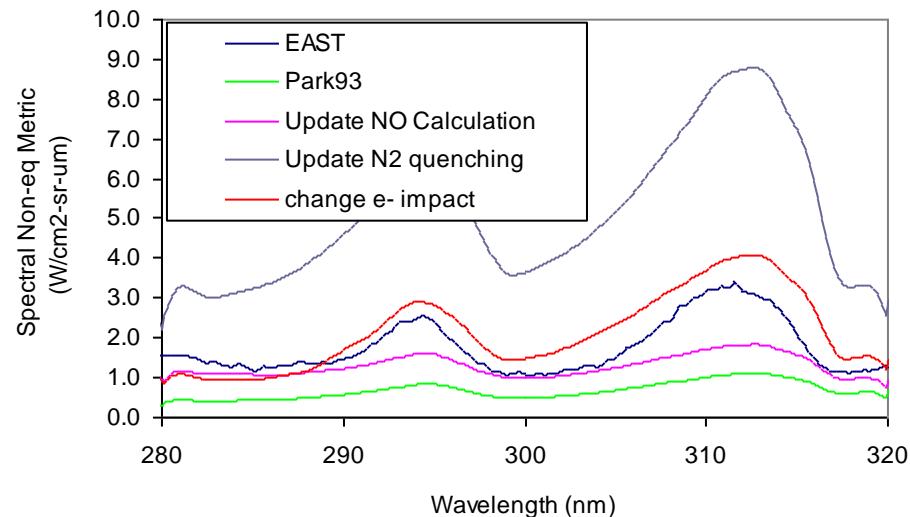


- Underpredicted at all conditions
- Partly obscured by N_2^+ radiation at 0.01 Torr

Update to N₂ QSS

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7.34 km/s, 0.70 Torr



- **Changing NO rates reduced underprediction @ 0.7 Torr**
- **Introducing N₂ Quenching rates brought data into overprediction**
- **Updating electron impact processes obtains near-agreement**
 - Slight underprediction of N₂ 1st Positive, overprediction of 2nd Positive
- **0.01 Torr data (not shown) now overpredicted in UV, matched in Visible**

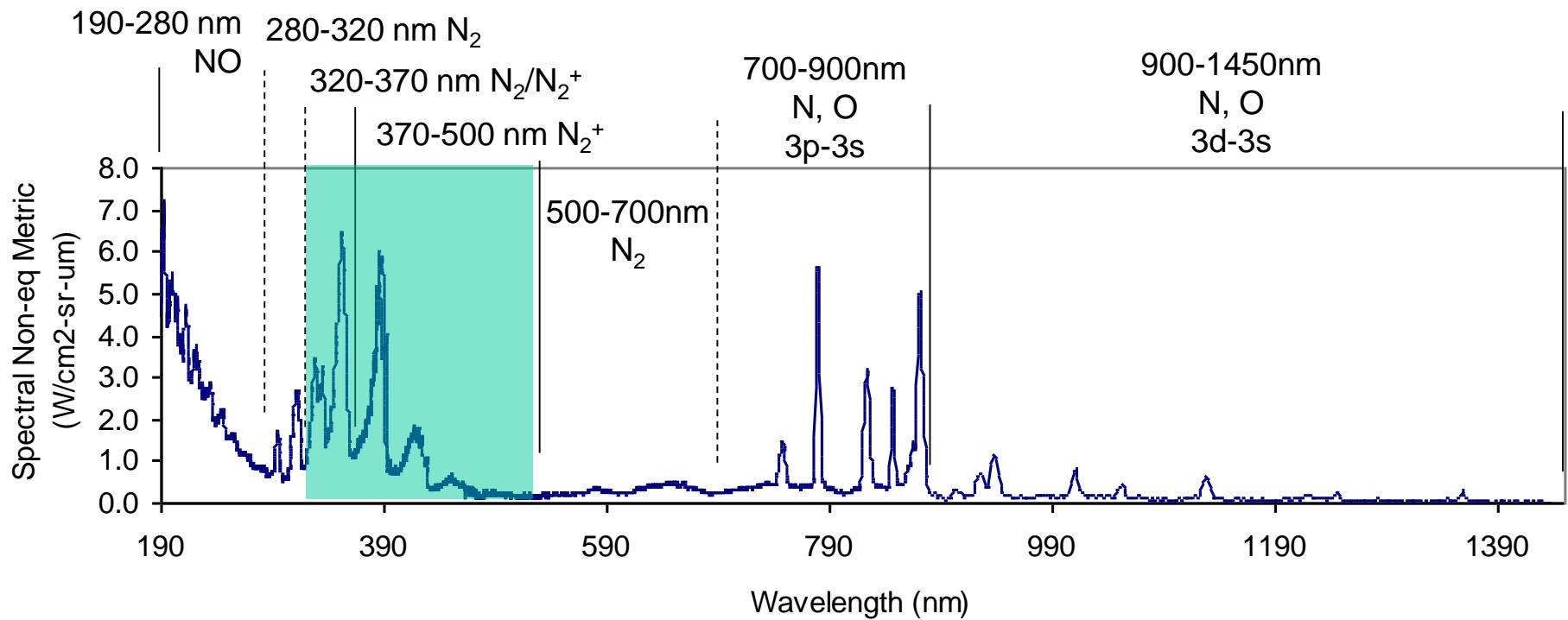


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N₂⁺ Model

N₂⁺ Radiance

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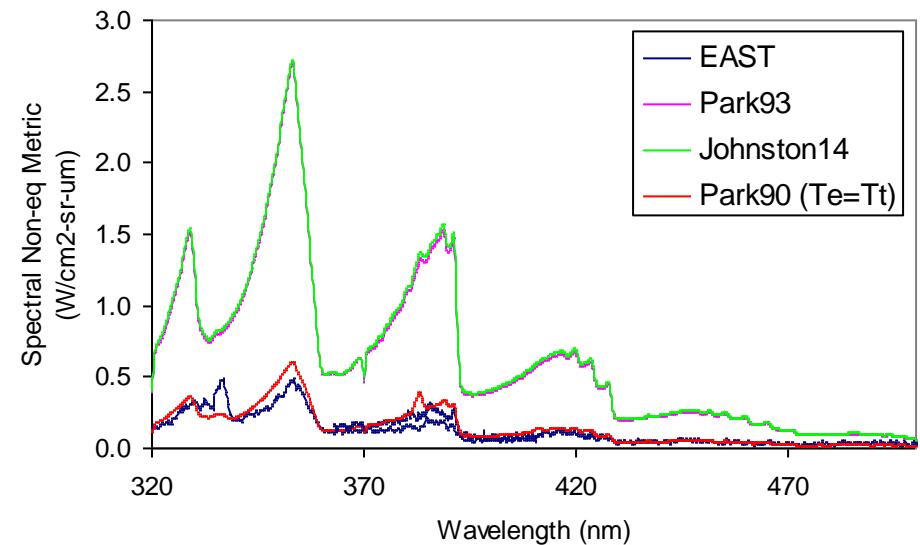


- **N₂⁺ Radiation from**
 - **1st Negative System ($B^2\Sigma \rightarrow X^2\Sigma$)**
 - **320-500 nm**

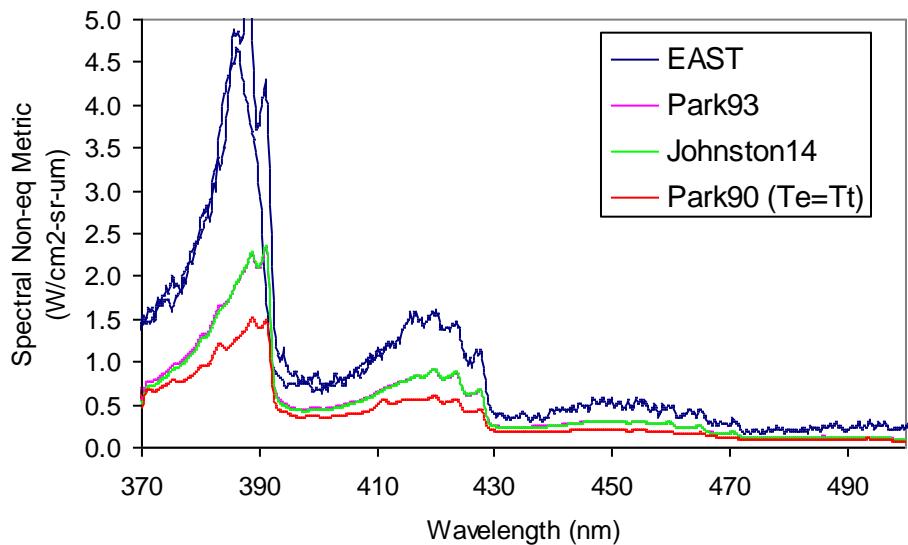
N_2^+ Comparison to Heritage

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7.34 km/s, 0.70 Torr

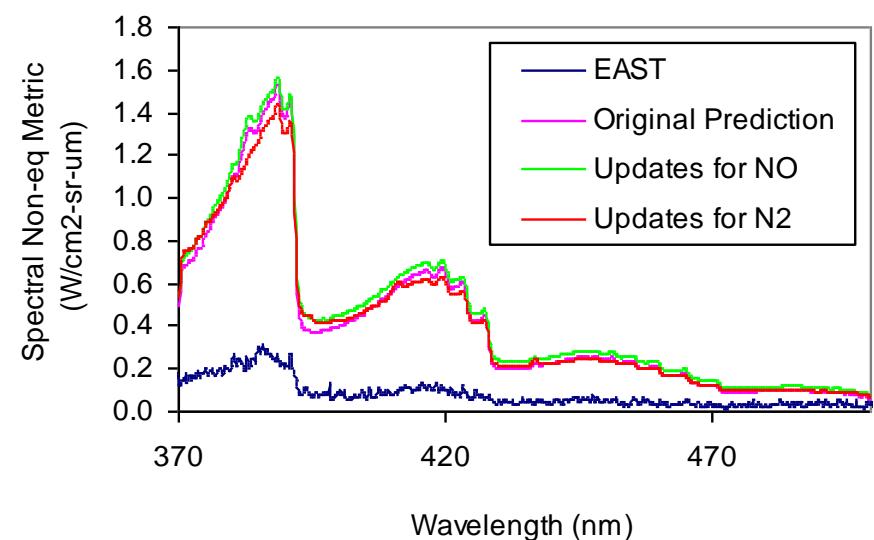


- Underpredicted at high pressure
- Overpredicted at low pressure
 - Park90 gets right magnitude, but transient (not shown) is incorrect

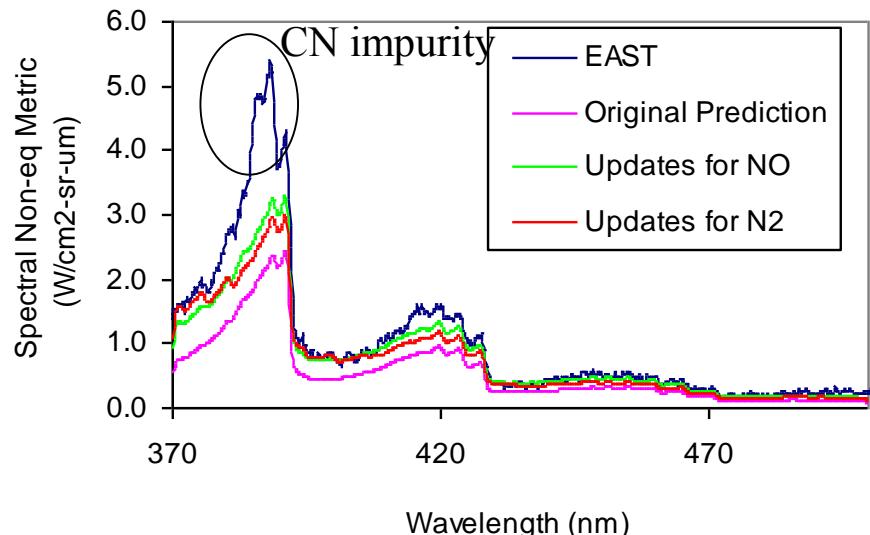
N_2^+ after updates

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7.34 km/s, 0.70 Torr

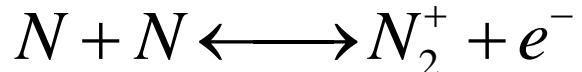


- Discrepancy at higher pressure mostly solved by revisions to rate model
- Low pressure discrepancy remains

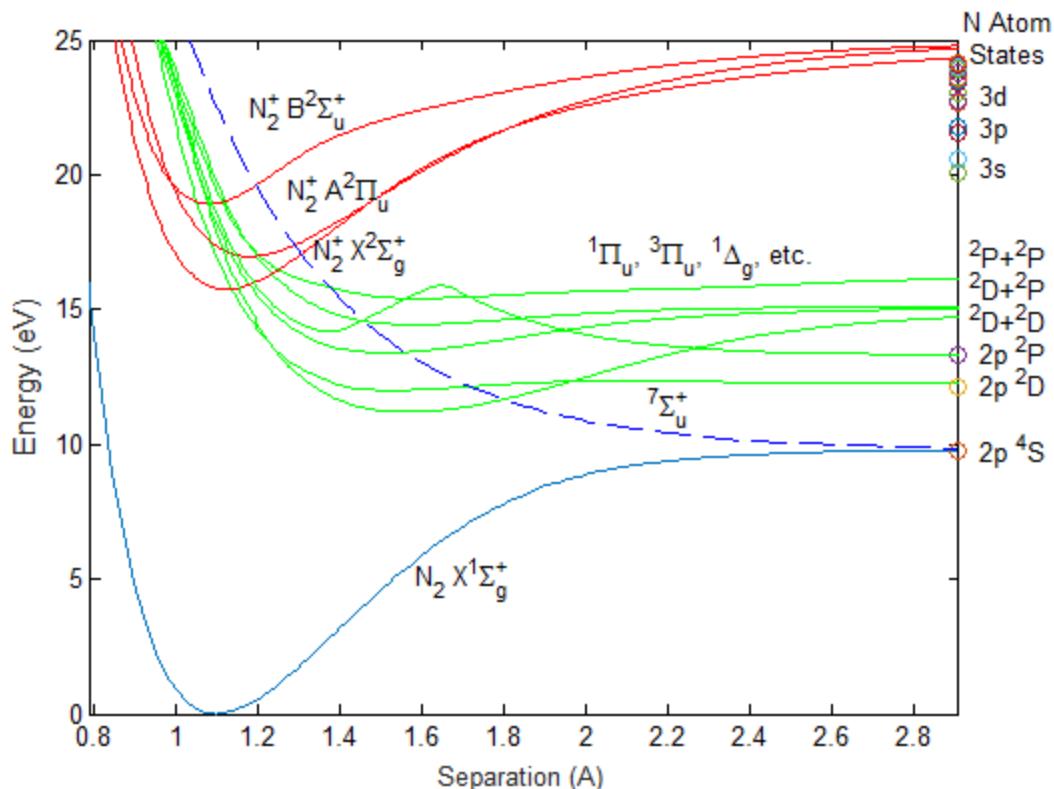
Low Pressure N₂⁺ : Controlling Reaction

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- N₂⁺ primarily formed by associative ionization:



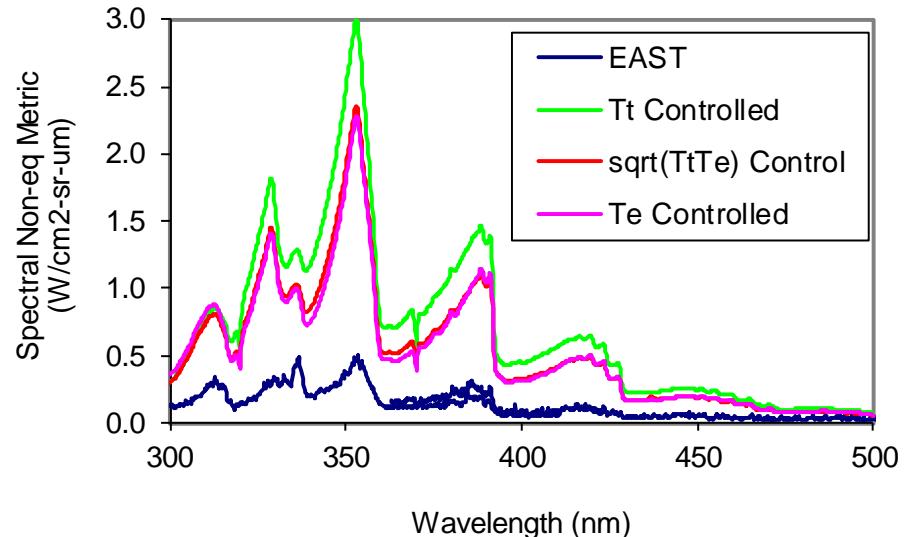
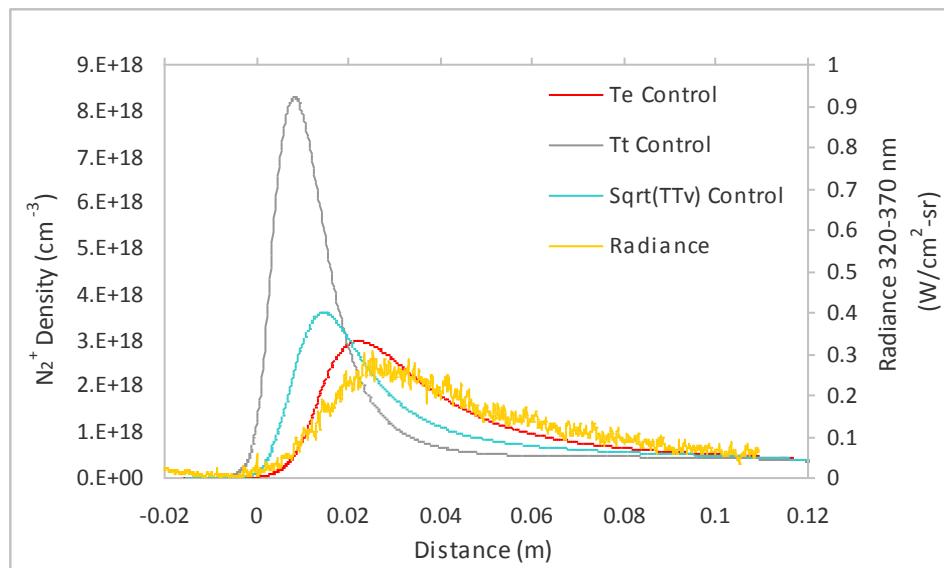
- This rate typically controlled by T_t : becomes rapid when thermal non-equilibrium is significant



- However, ground state N does not cross N₂⁺ states
- Reactions proceed through metastable (and possibly excited) N atoms
- This creates dependence on T_e

Change Controlling Temperature

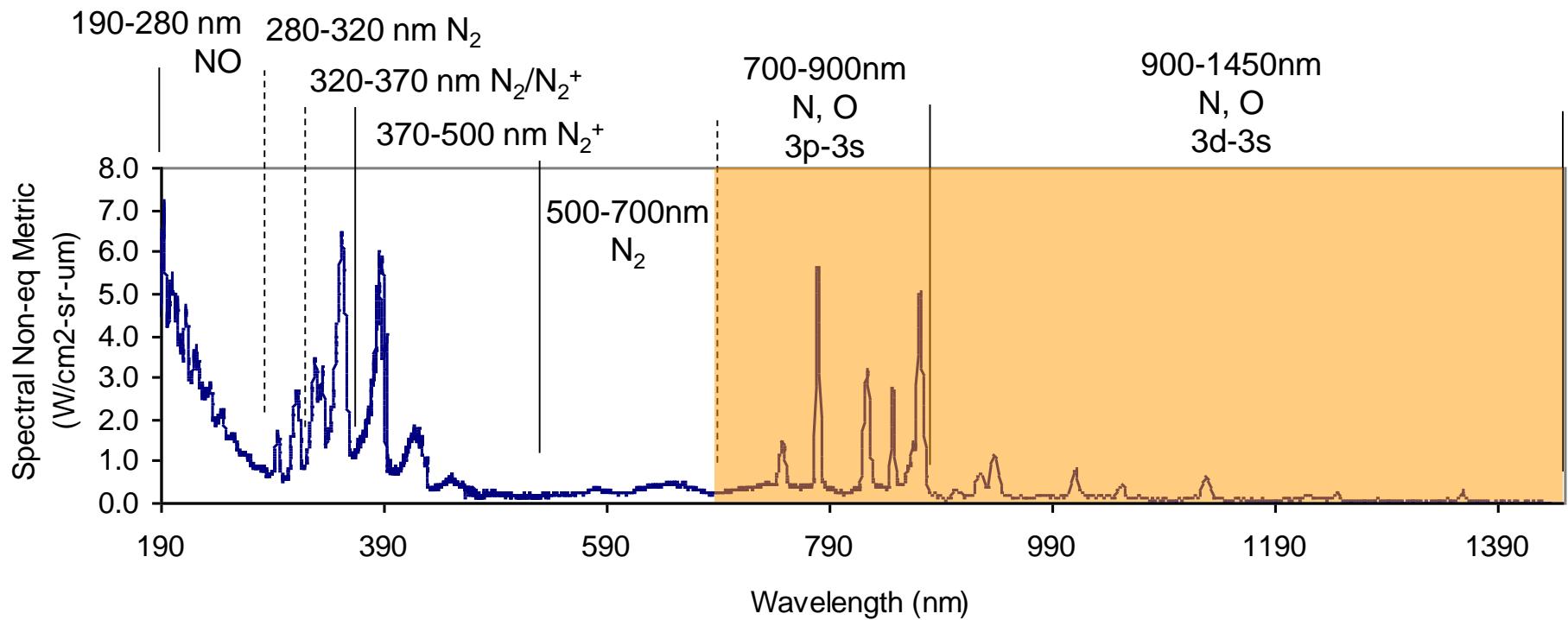
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- Experimental Radiation profile matches N_2^+ density when T_e controlling
- The predicted radiance (and profile) does not match, however

Atomic Radiance

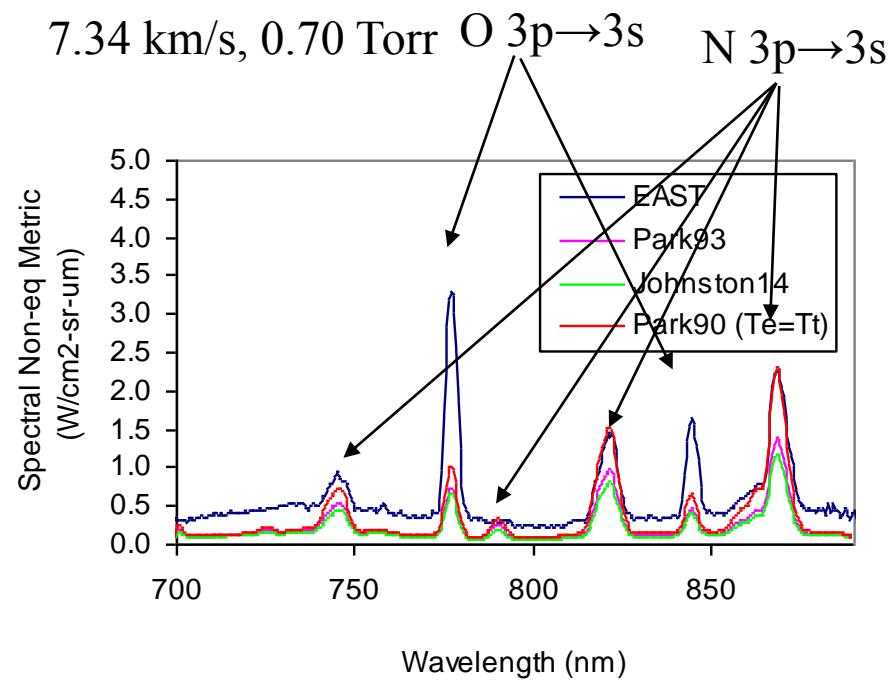
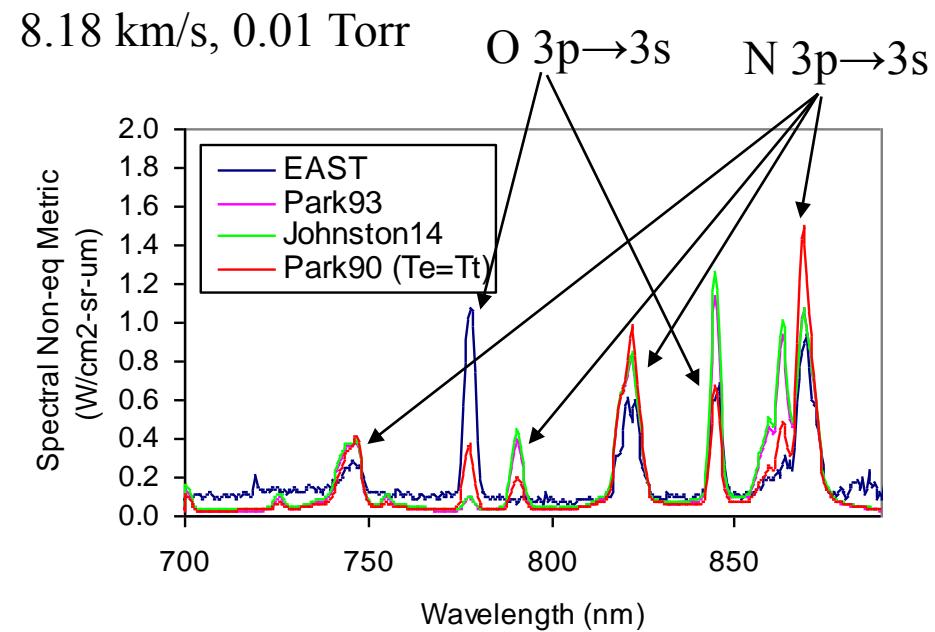
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- **Atomic Radiation**
 - **3p states** **700-900 nm**
 - **3d states** **900-1450 nm**

N, O 3p Comparison to Heritage

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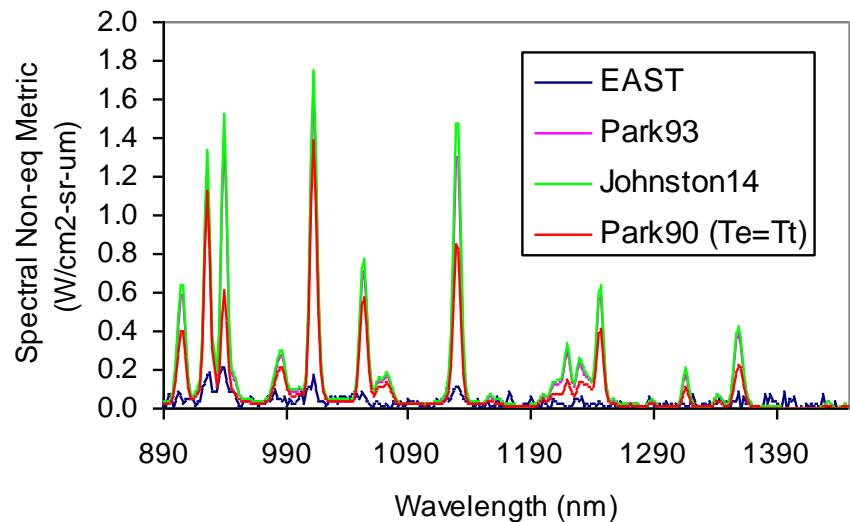


- O atom:**
 - 777 nm underpredicted at all cases
 - 845 nm underpredicted high pressure, matched low pressure
- N atom:**
 - Low pressure : Fair agreement
 - High pressure : adjusting for baseline, matched by Park93/Johnston, overpredicted by Park90

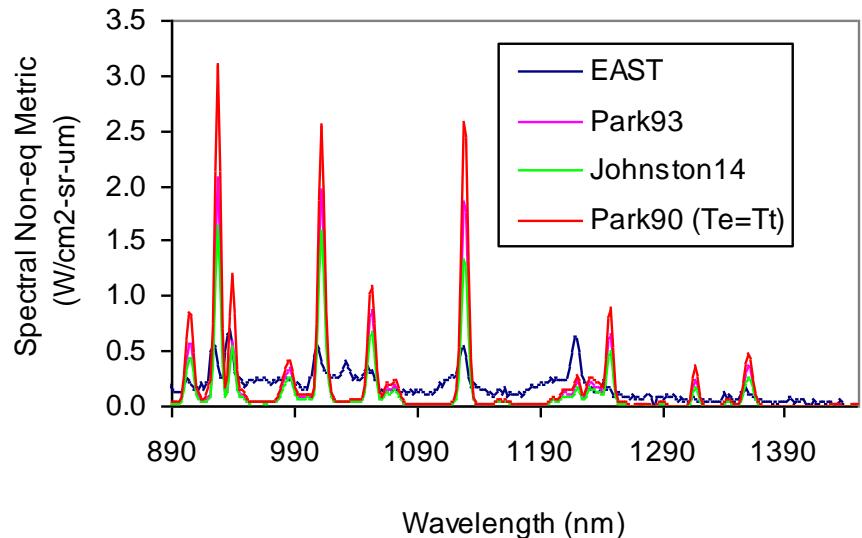
N, O 3d Comparison to Heritage

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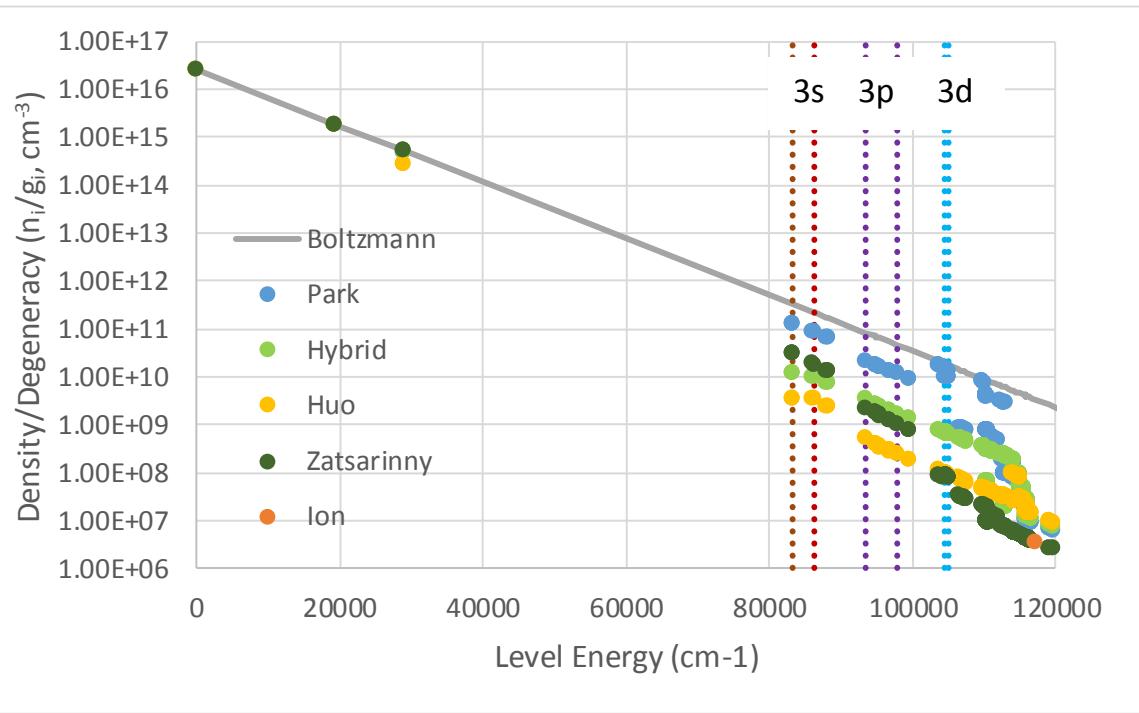
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- **Significant overprediction, all lines/pressures**

Internal Excitation Rates

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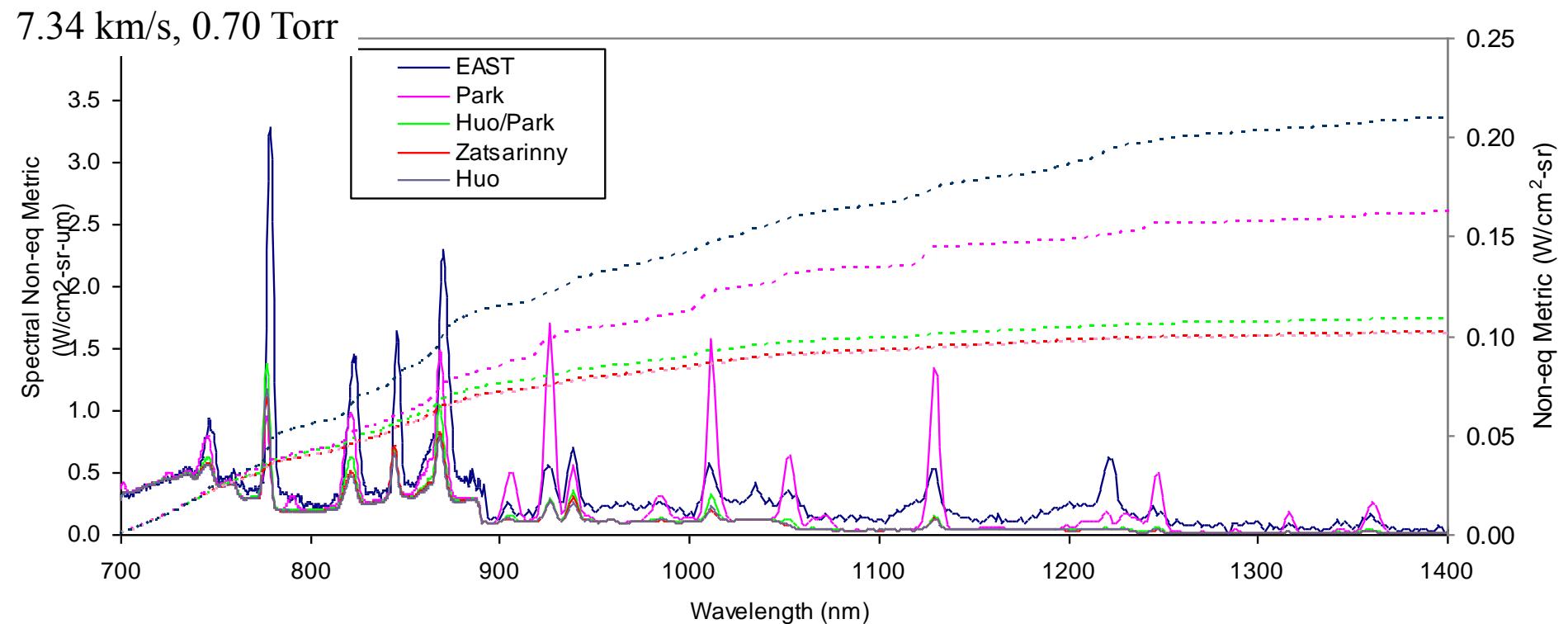


Peak Radiance
 7.34 km/s, 0.7 Torr
 $T_t = 10,598\text{K}$
 $T_e = 10,645\text{K}$
 $N = 1.27 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 $N^+ = 2.42 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

- **Park rates place 3d states at Boltzmann level (overpredicted)**
- **Huo rates equilibrate all states closer to ionization level**
- **Zatsariny rates place highest states near ionization limit, lower states progress toward Boltzmann**
- **Hybrid Huo/Park equilibrates between Boltzman/Saha**

Impact of Excitation Rate on Radiance

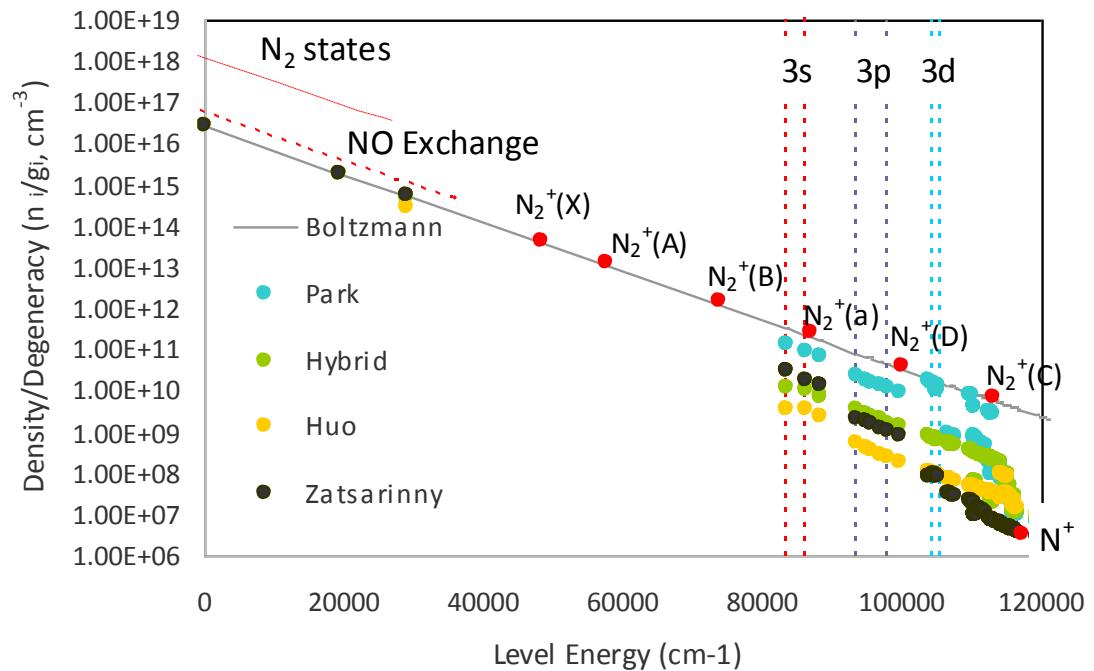
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- Revised rates underpredict 3p atomic lines
- Three alternatives eliminate 3d overprediction
- Huo/Park slightly higher than Huo or Zatsarinny

Additional Processes

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Peak Radiance

7.34 km/s, 0.7 Torr

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$T_e = 10,645\text{K}$

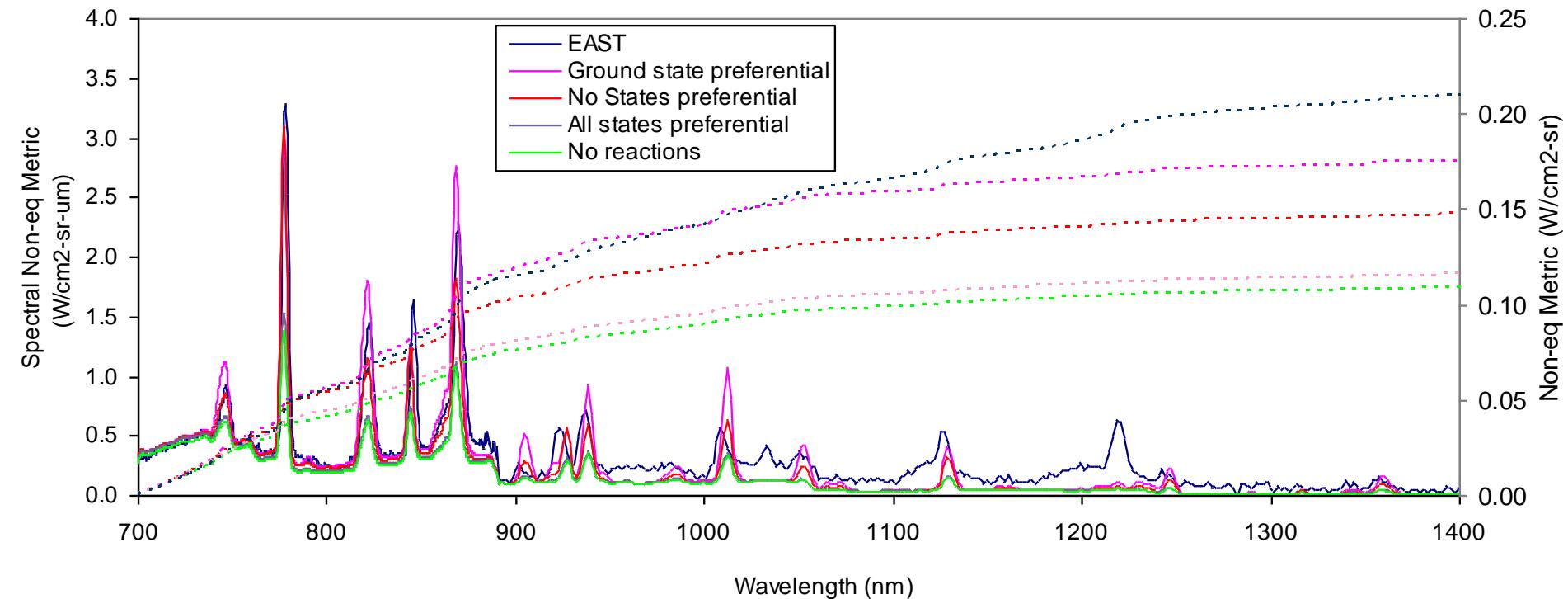
$N = 1.27 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$N^+ = 2.42 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

- Traditionally, QSS balances internal excitation with ionization
- But, Ionization accounts for 0.15% of N atom chemistry
- N atom mass derivative is:
 - 81% exchange reactions
 - 10% molecular dissociation
 - 9% associative ionization

Including Dissociative Recombination in QSS

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- State-wise associative ionization rates assumed proportional to overall associative ionization rates
- Preference factors dictate which atomic states are formed from a given ion state
- Best agreement uses literature data for ground state preference, no preference for other states of N_2^+



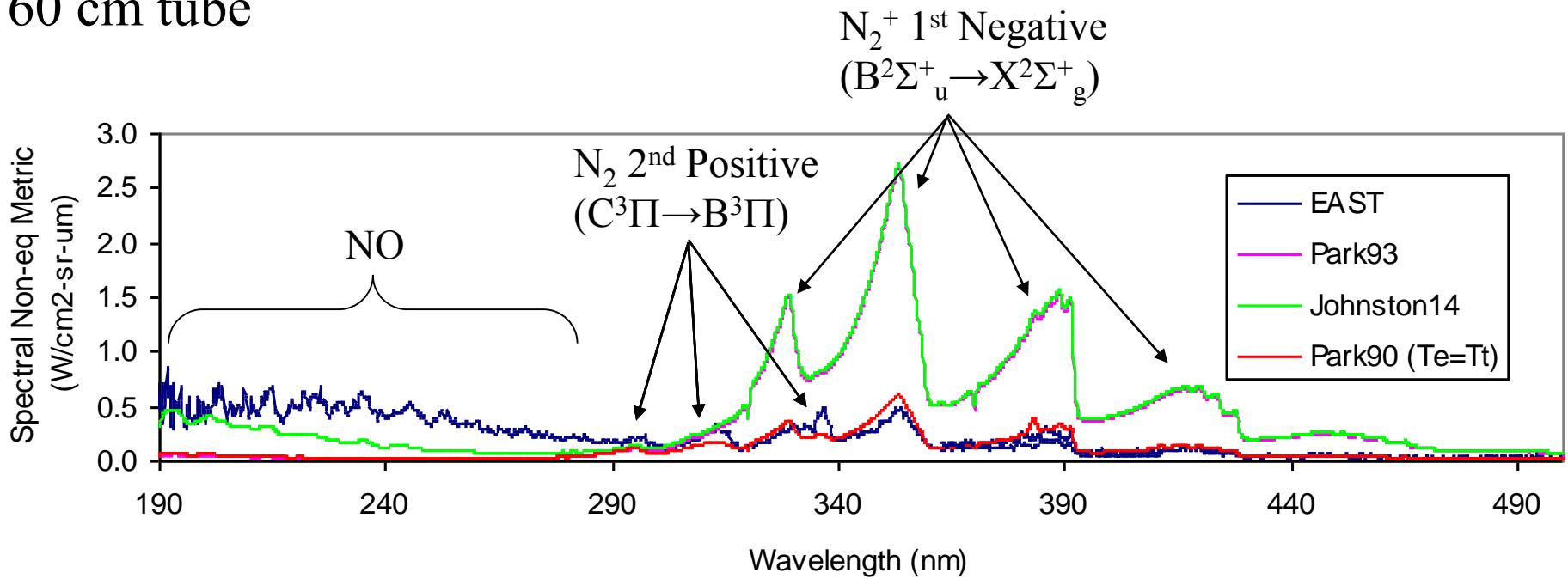
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Flip-through of Non-equilibrium Metric Comparisons

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.01 Torr, 8.2 km/s)

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60 cm tube

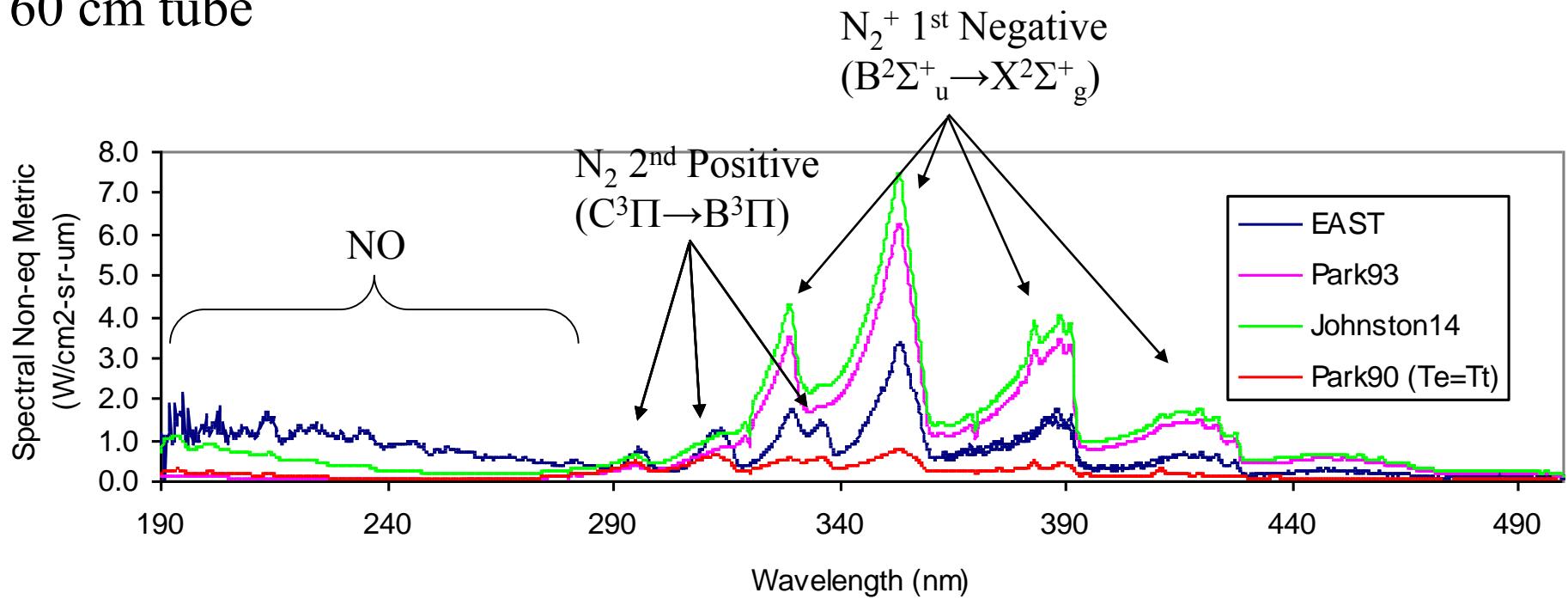


- All models underpredict NO
- N_2^+ overpredicted by $T_e = T_v$ options, Heritage does ok
- N_2 2nd Positive underpredicted

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.05 Torr, 8.6 km/s)

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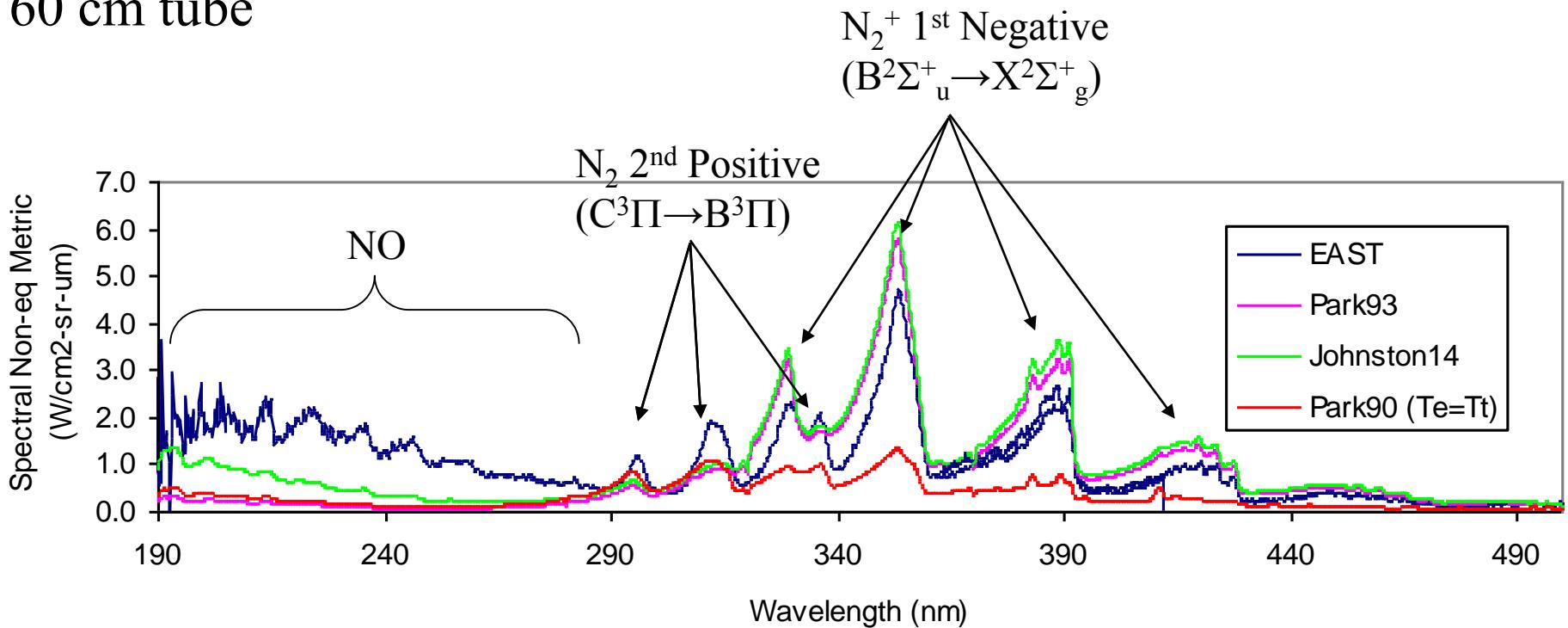


- **NO still underpredicted**
- **N_2^+ improving for $T_e=T_v$ options, Heritage now too low**
- **N_2 2nd Positive still underpredicted**

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.14 Torr, 8.3 km/s)

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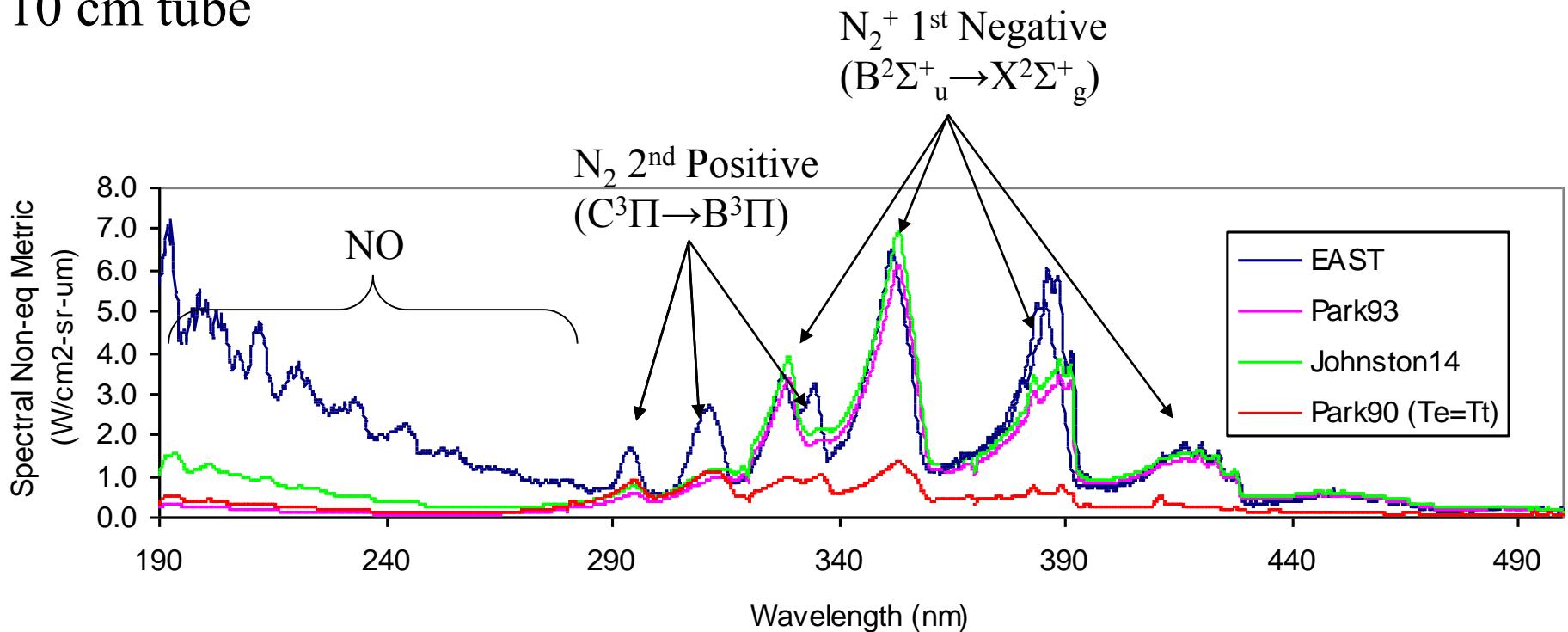


- **NO still underpredicted**
- **N₂⁺ slightly over for T_e=T_v options, Heritage underpredicts**
- **N₂ 2nd Positive underpredicted**

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.14 Torr, 8.3 km/s)

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10 cm tube

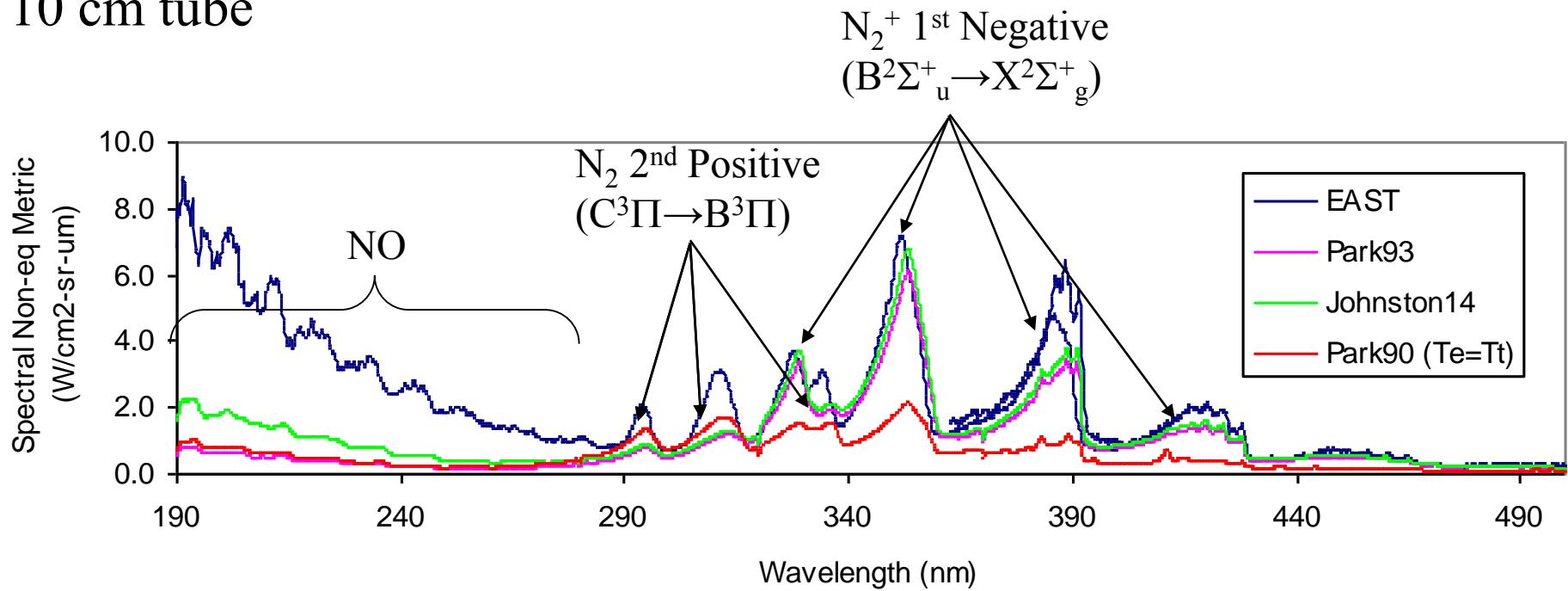


- NO underpredicted
- N₂⁺ matched for T_e=T_v options, Heritage underpredicts
 - CN contamination accounts for disagreement at 388 nm
- N₂ 2nd Positive underpredicted

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.30 Torr, 8.1 km/s)

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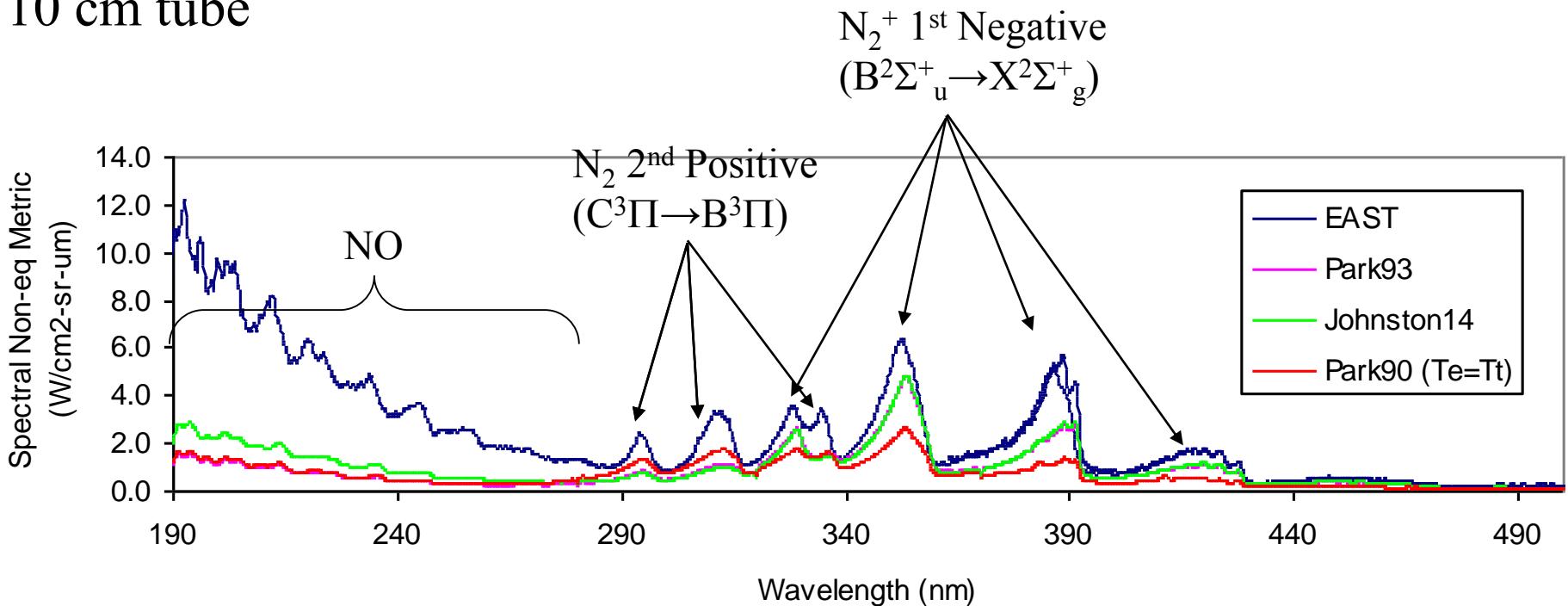


- **NO underpredicted**
- **N_2^+ matched for $T_e = T_v$ options, Heritage underpredicts**
 - CN contamination accounts for disagreement at 388 nm
- **N_2 2nd Positive underpredicted**

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.50 Torr, 7.7 km/s)

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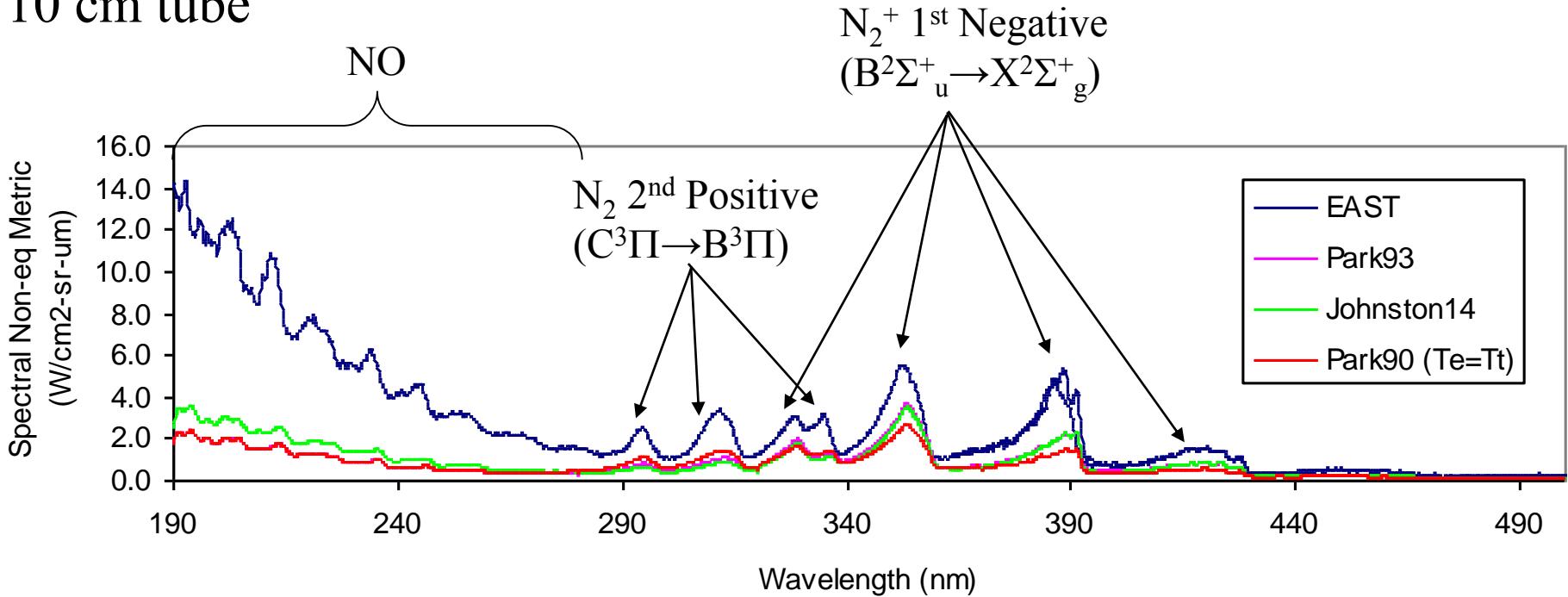


- **NO still underpredicted**
- **N₂⁺ being underpredicted**
 - Worse for Heritage
- **N₂ 2nd Positive underpredicted**

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.70 Torr, 7.3 km/s)

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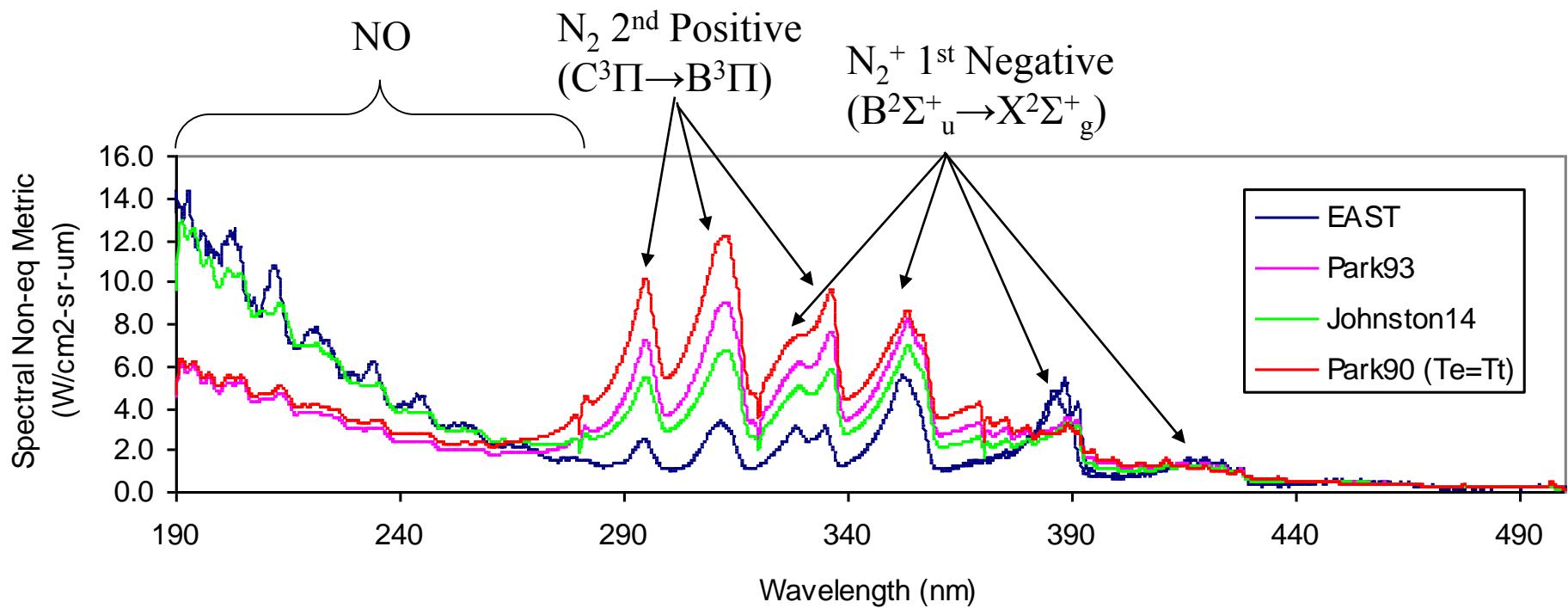


- **NO still underpredicted**
- **N₂⁺ more underpredicted**
 - Heritage and newer models becoming more similar
- **N₂ 2nd Positive underpredicted**

Non-equilibrium – 190-500 nm (0.70 Torr, 7.3 km/s)

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10 cm tube – with Boltzmann state populations



- **NO matched with Boltzmann distribution for Johnston rates**
- **N₂⁺ and N₂ are overpredicted by Boltzmann model**



Summary 190-500 nm

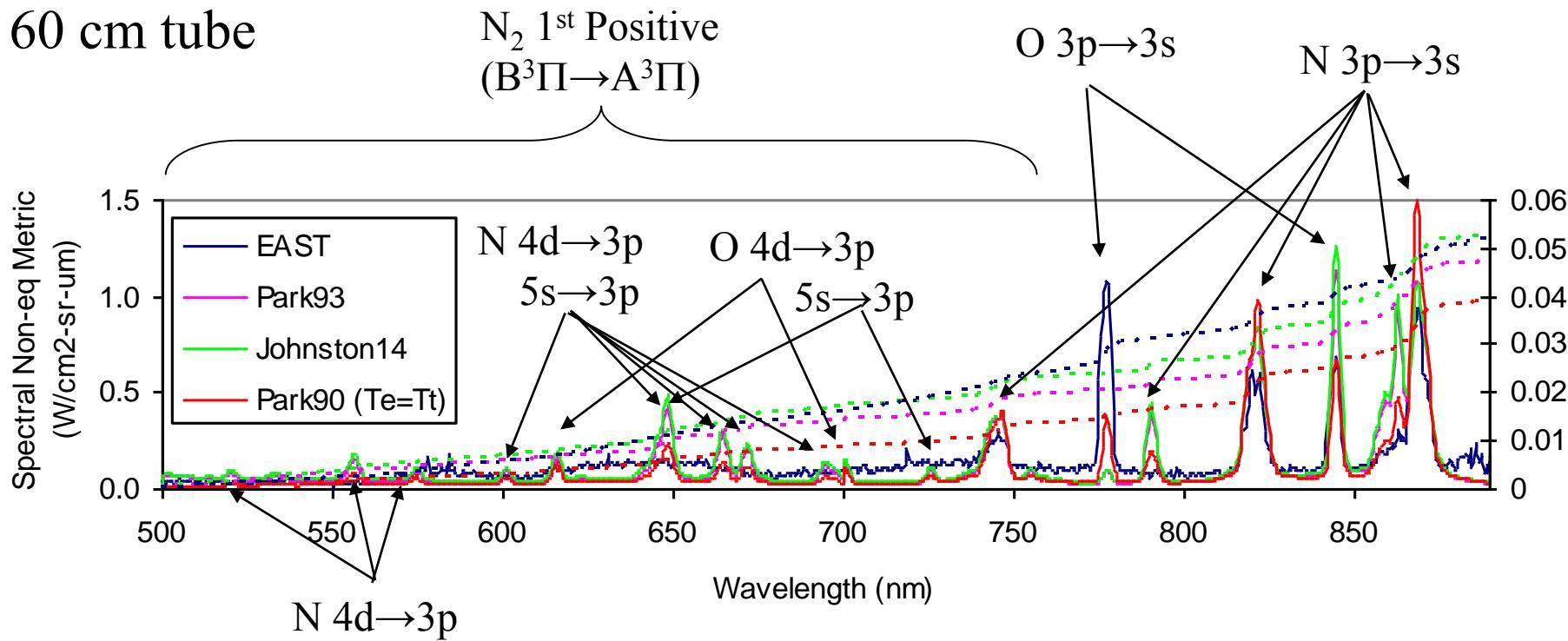
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- **NO is always underpredicted**
- **N2 2nd Positive always underpredicted**
- **N2+ 1st Negative underpredicted at high pressure, overpredicted at low pressure**

Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.01 Torr, 8.6 km/s)

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60 cm tube

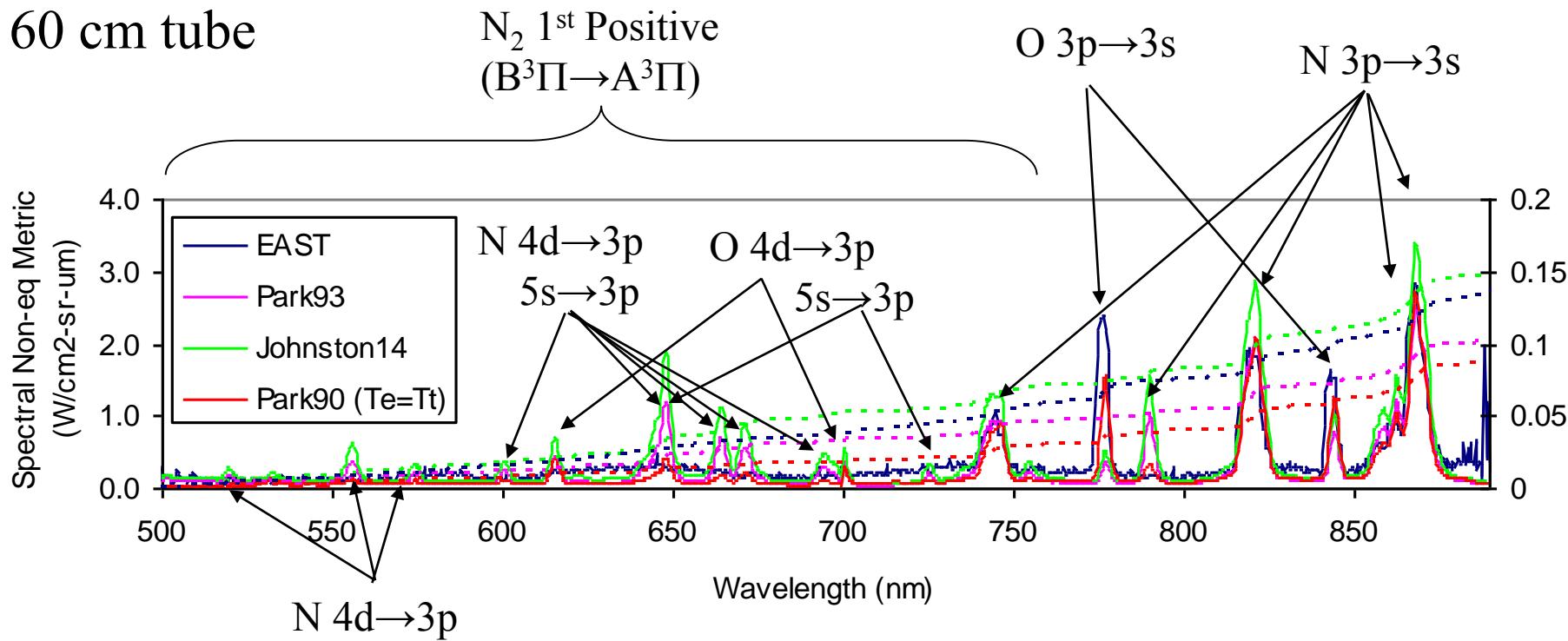


- Broad features due to N₂ 1st Positive absent from prediction
- High level (4d,5s) N and O lines absent from data
- O 3p : 777 underpredicted, 845 underpredicted
- N 3p : overpredicted
- Errors cancel out when integrated – radiance appears well matched

Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.05 Torr, 8.9 km/s)

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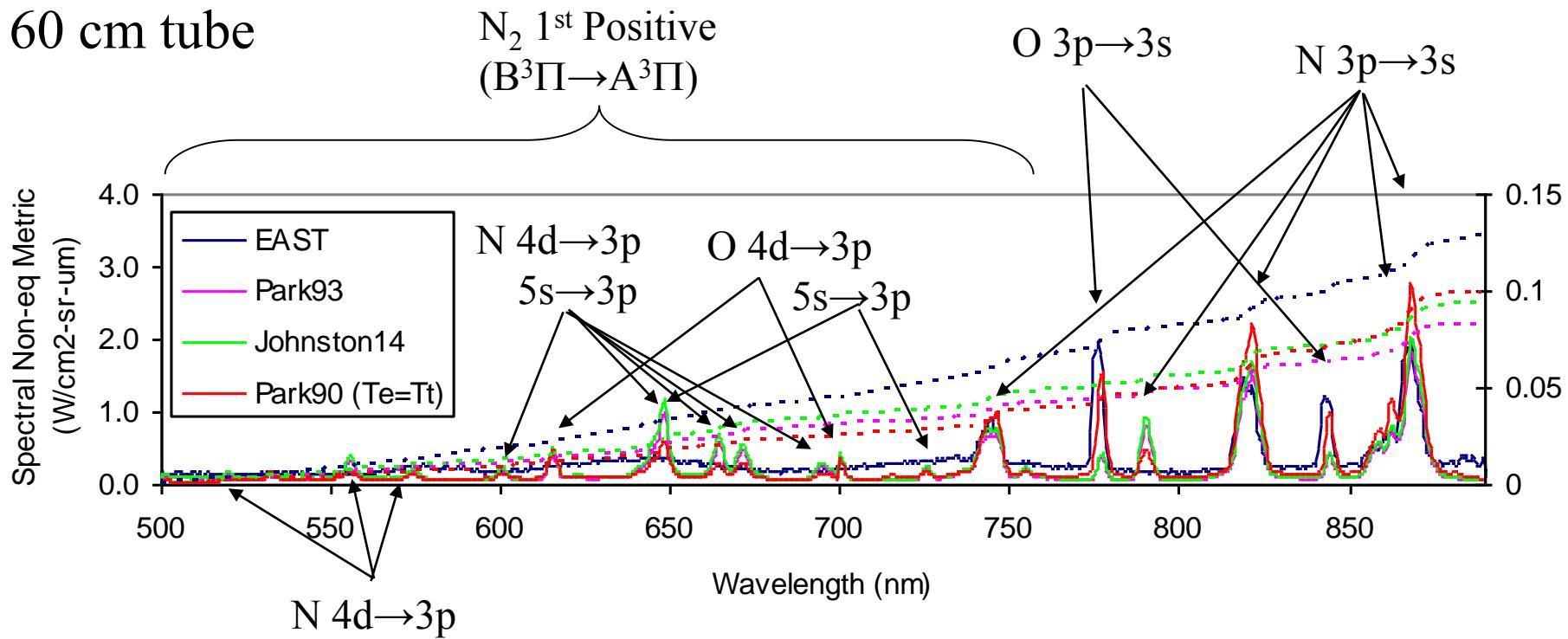


- Broad features due to N₂ 1st Positive still absent
- High level (4d,5s) N and O lines still overpredicted
- O 3p : underpredicted, but closer than before
- N 3p : matched by Park90/Park93, overpredicted Johnston
- Errors cancel out when integrated – Johnston appears to matched

Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.14 Torr, 8.4 km/s)

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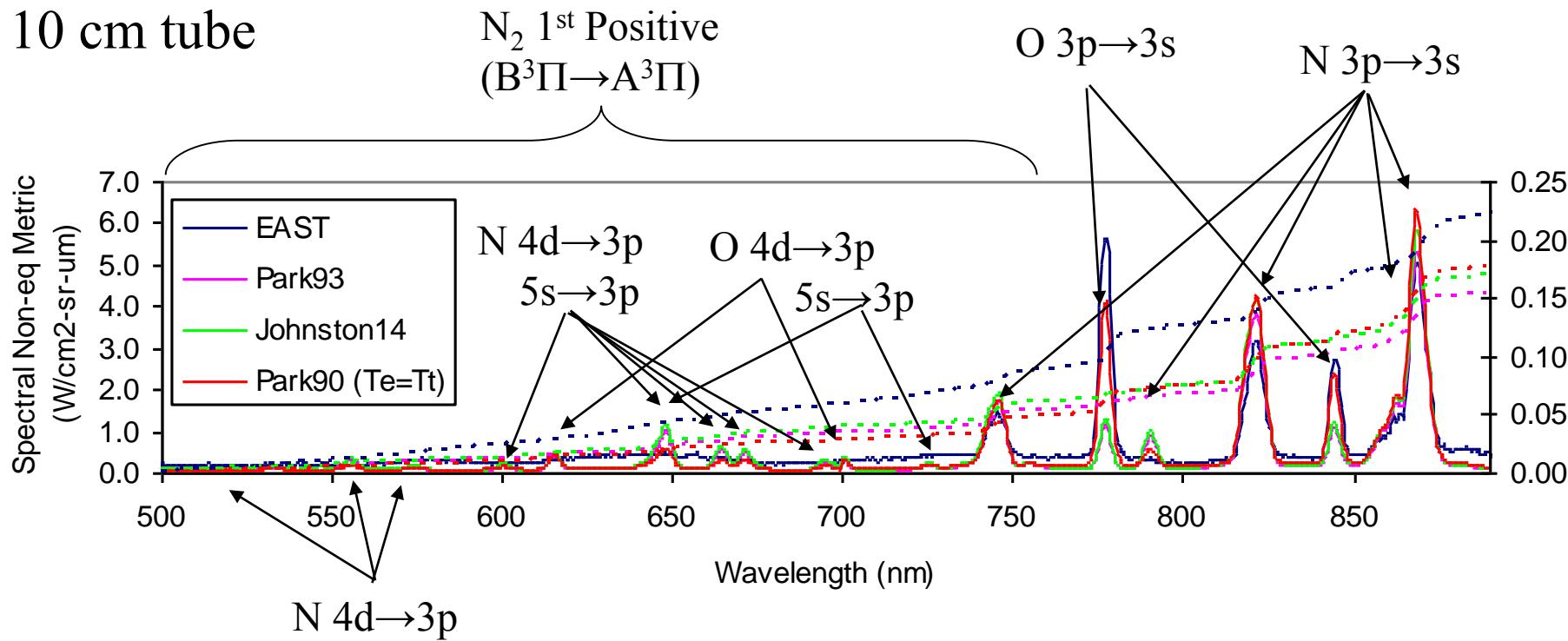


- **Broad features due to $\text{N}_2 \text{ 1st Positive}$ still absent**
- **High level (4d,5s) N and O lines still overpredicted**
- **O 3p : matched by heritage model, underpredicted other models**
- **N 3p : overpredicted by heritage, matched other models**

Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.14 Torr, 8.3 km/s)

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10 cm tube

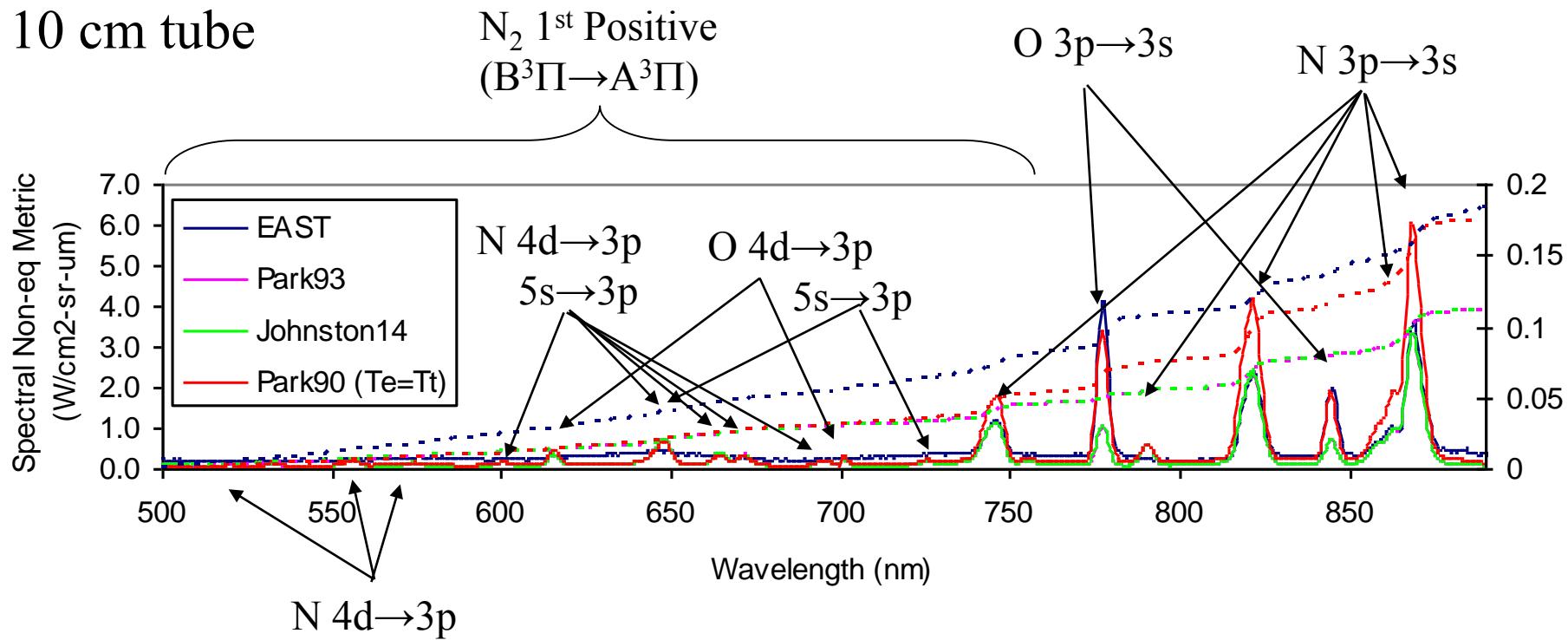


- Broad features due to N_2 1st Positive still absent
- High level (4d,5s) N and O lines overpredicted
- O 3p : matched by heritage model, underpredicted other models
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Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.30 Torr, 8.1 km/s)

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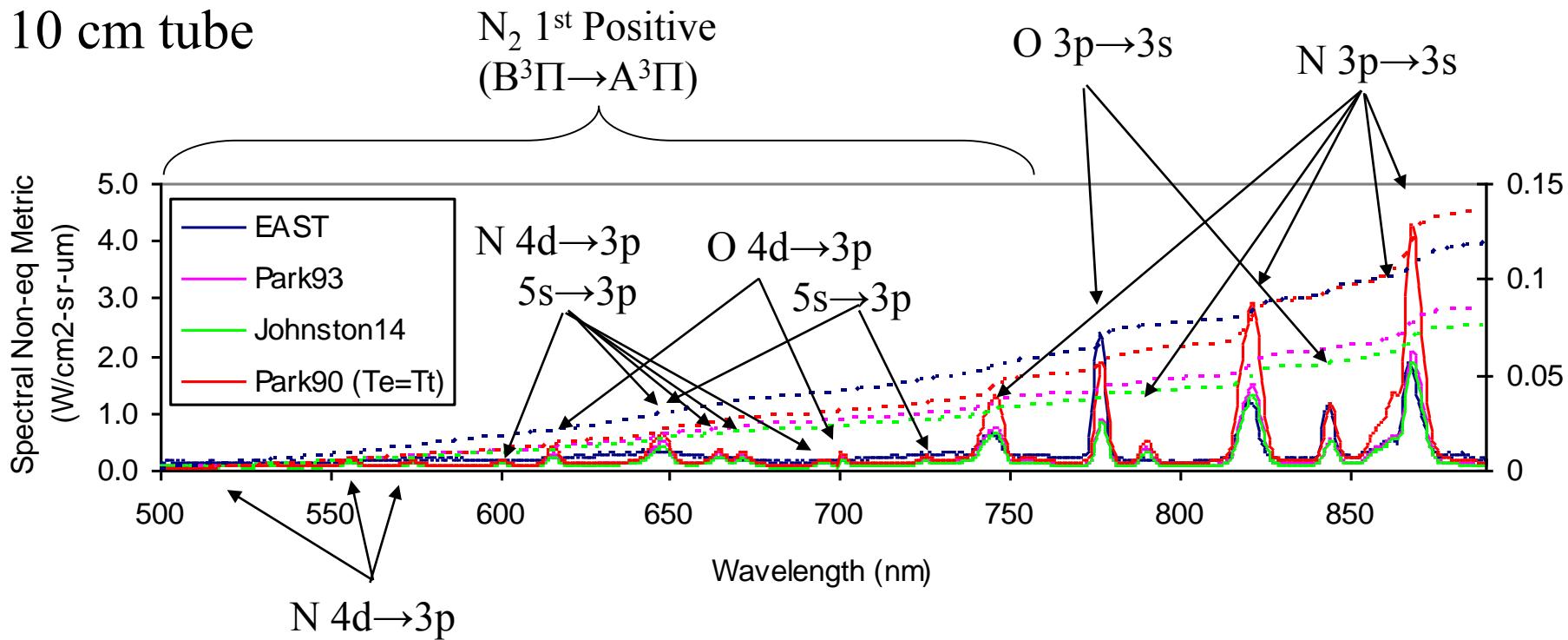


- Broad features due to N₂ 1st Positive still absent
- High level (4d,5s) N and O lines overpredicted, but less significantly
- O 3p : matched by heritage model, underpredicted other models
- N 3p : further overpredicted by heritage, matched other models

Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.50 Torr, 7.7 km/s)

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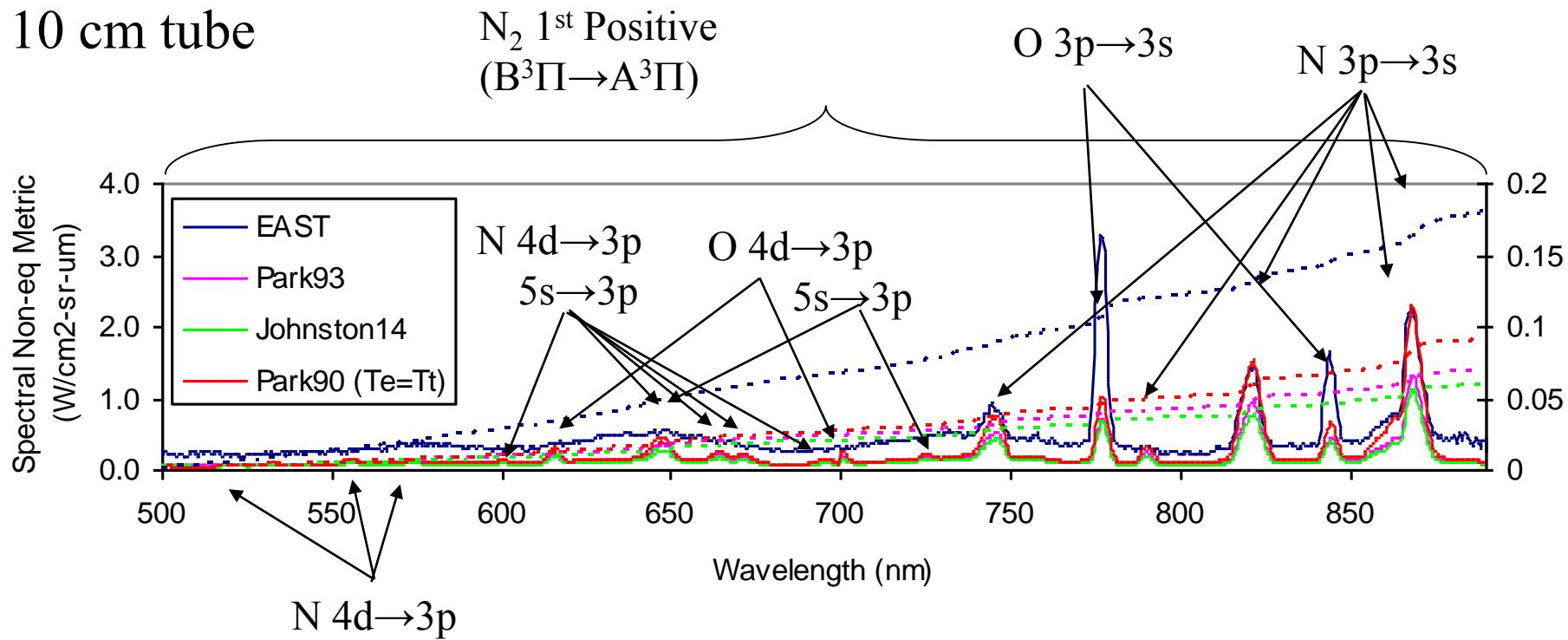


- Broad features due to N₂ 1st Positive still absent
- High level (4d,5s) N and O lines overpredicted
- O 3p : matched by heritage model, underpredicted other models
- N 3p : overpredicted by heritage, matched other models

Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.70 Torr, 7.3 km/s)

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10 cm tube

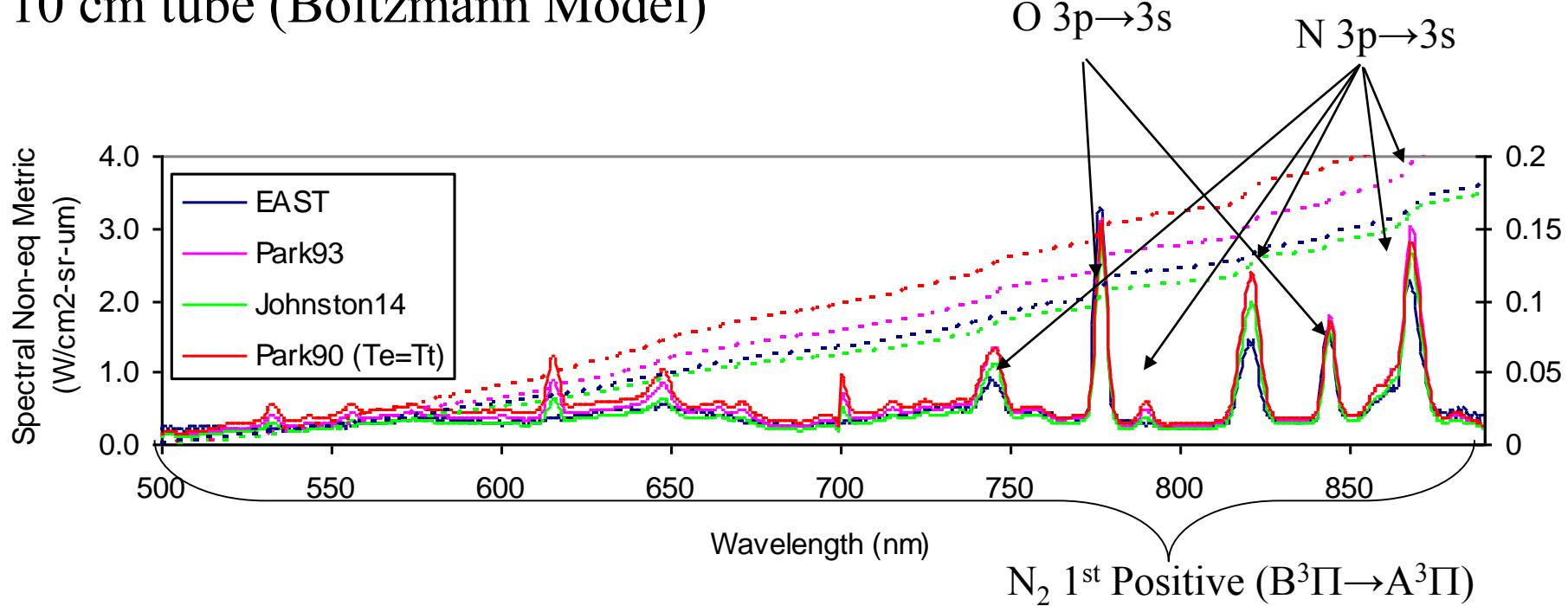


- **Broad features due to N_2 1st Positive still absent**
- **High level (4d,5s) N and O lines overpredicted**
- **O 3p : underpredicted all models**
- **N 3p : overpredicted by heritage, matched other models**
 - Apparent disagreement due to missing underlying N_2 radiation

Non-equilibrium – 500-890 nm (0.70 Torr, 7.3 km/s)

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10 cm tube (Boltzmann Model)



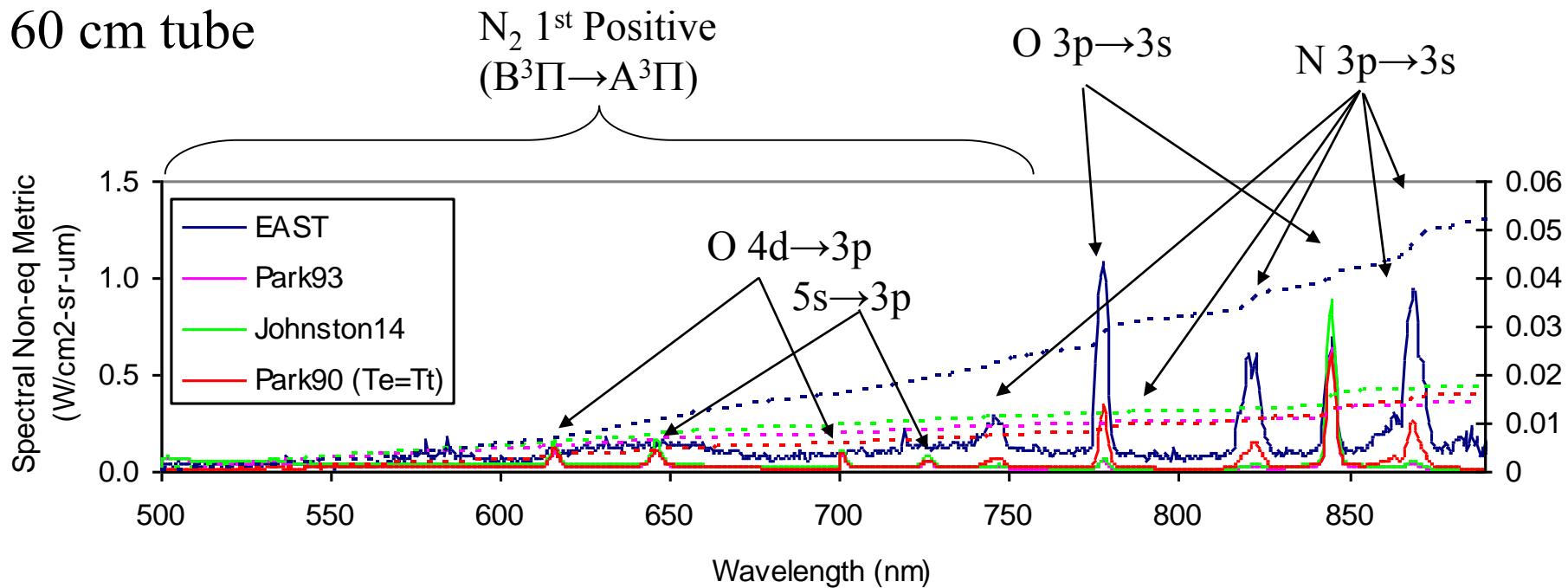
- Boltzmann matches N₂ 1st Positive (Heritage slightly over)
- High level (4d,5s) N and O lines overpredicted by Boltzmann
- O 3p matched by Boltzmann (all models)
- N 3p : slightly overpredicted at Boltzmann

Impact of Alternate N Atom Excitation Cross-section



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60 cm tube



- **Huo excitation cross-sections**
 - Eliminate spurious radiation from N 4d, 5s
 - Underpredict N 3p features



Summary 500-890 nm

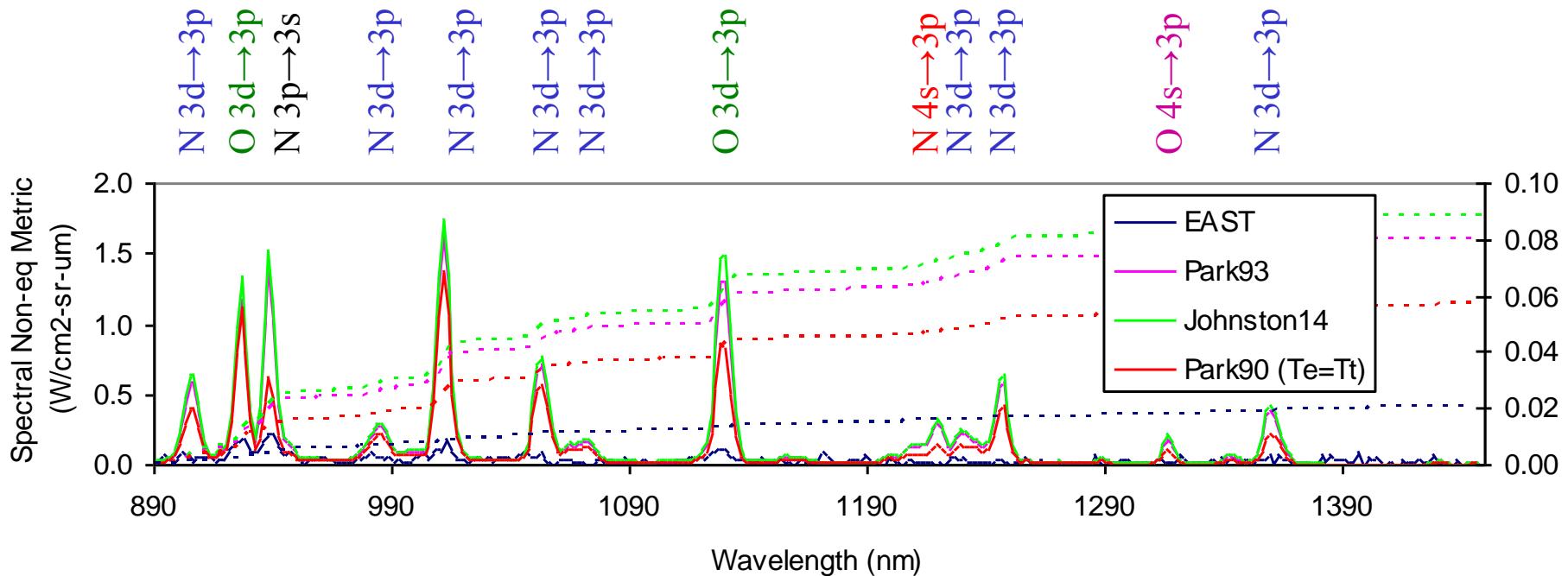
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- **N₂ is always underpredicted**
- **Spurious N and O lines originating from 4d, 5s states**
- **N 3p lines**
 - Matched by Park90 ($Te=Tt$) at 0.05 Torr, overpredicted elsewhere
 - Matched by Johnston at 0.14-0.7 Torr, overpredicted at lower pressure
 - Matched by Park93 at 0.05-0.7 Torr, overpredicted at lower pressure
- **O 3p lines**
 - Underpredicted by Park93/Johnston, except at 0.01 Torr
 - 845 nm line overpredicted at 0.01 Torr
 - Heritage approach
 - Nearly matches 845 nm line from 0.01-0.50 Torr
 - Underpredicts 777 nm line, but not badly

Non-equilibrium – 890-1450 nm (0.01 Torr, 8.6 km/s)

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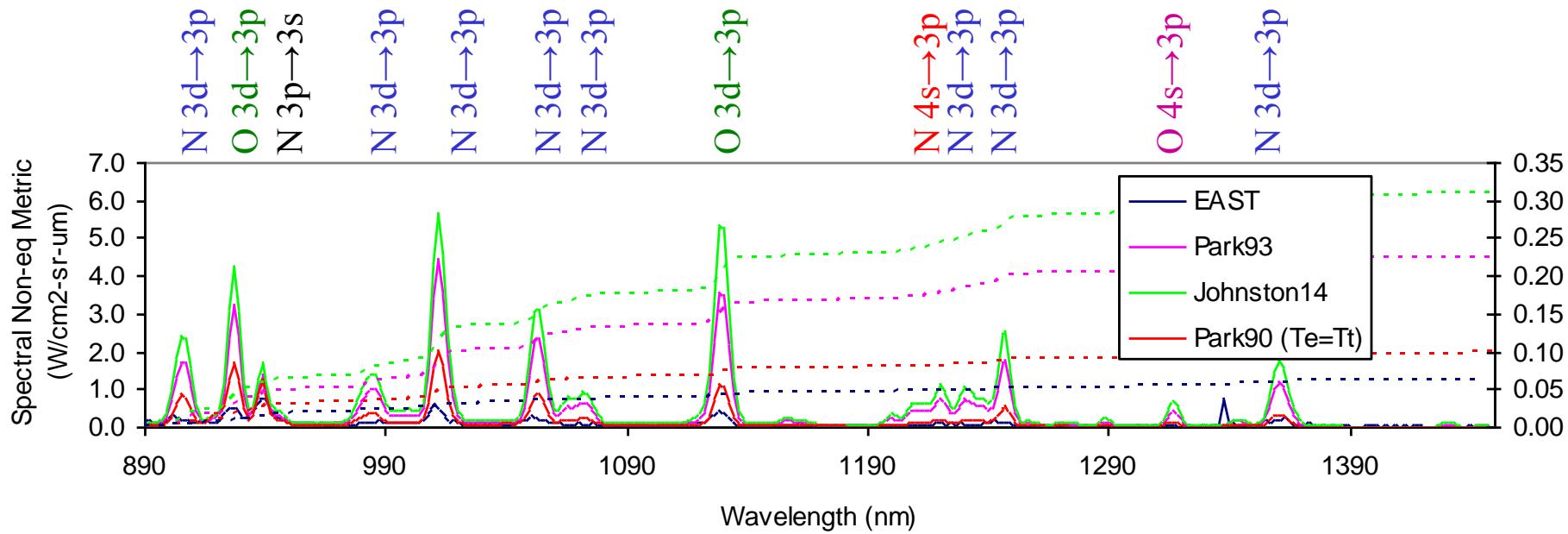


- All lines in this range overpredicted

Non-equilibrium – 890-1450 nm (0.05 Torr, 8.9 km/s)

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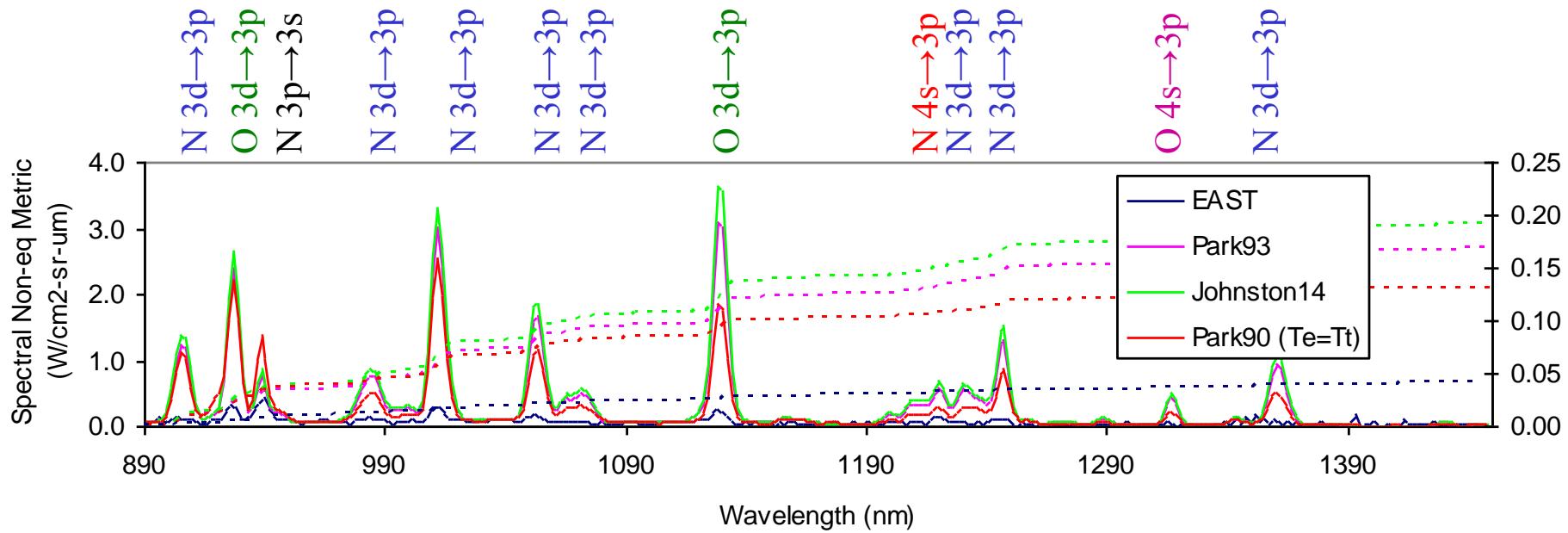


- **Most lines overpredicted**
 - Park90 matches 1362 nm line
 - N 3p line (939 nm) less overpredicted than others

Non-equilibrium – 890-1450 nm (0.14 Torr, 8.4 km/s)

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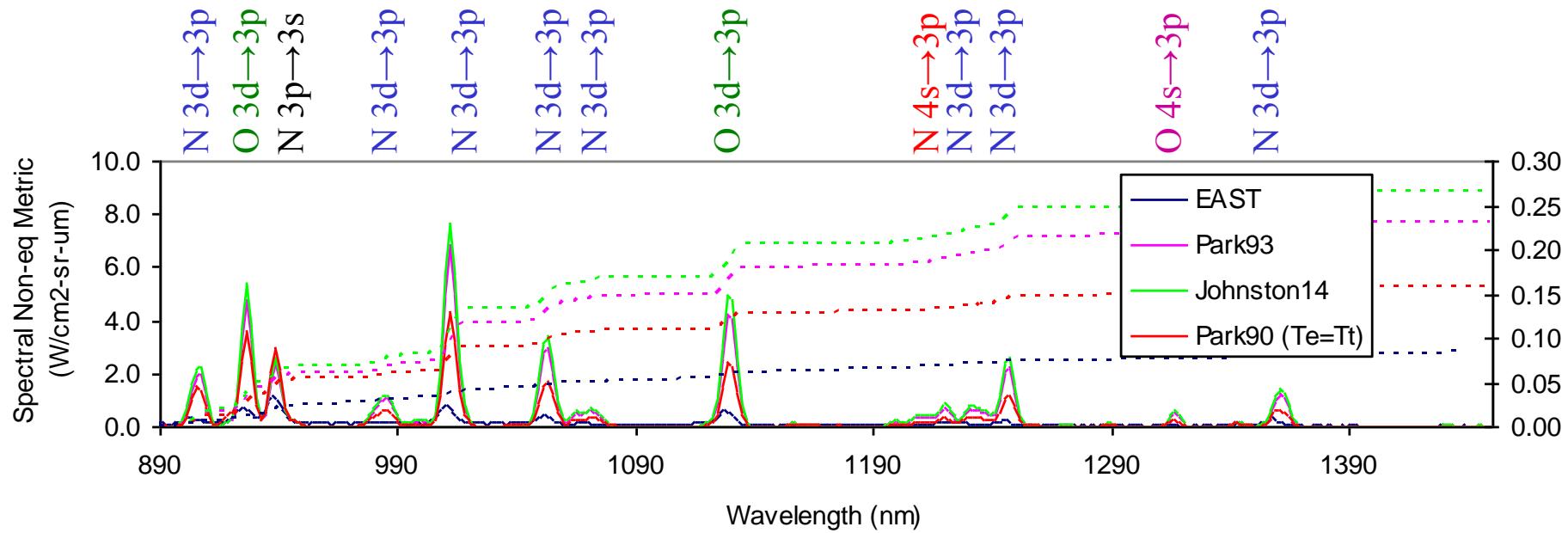


- All lines overpredicted

Non-equilibrium – 890-1450 nm (0.14 Torr, 8.4 km/s)

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10 cm tube

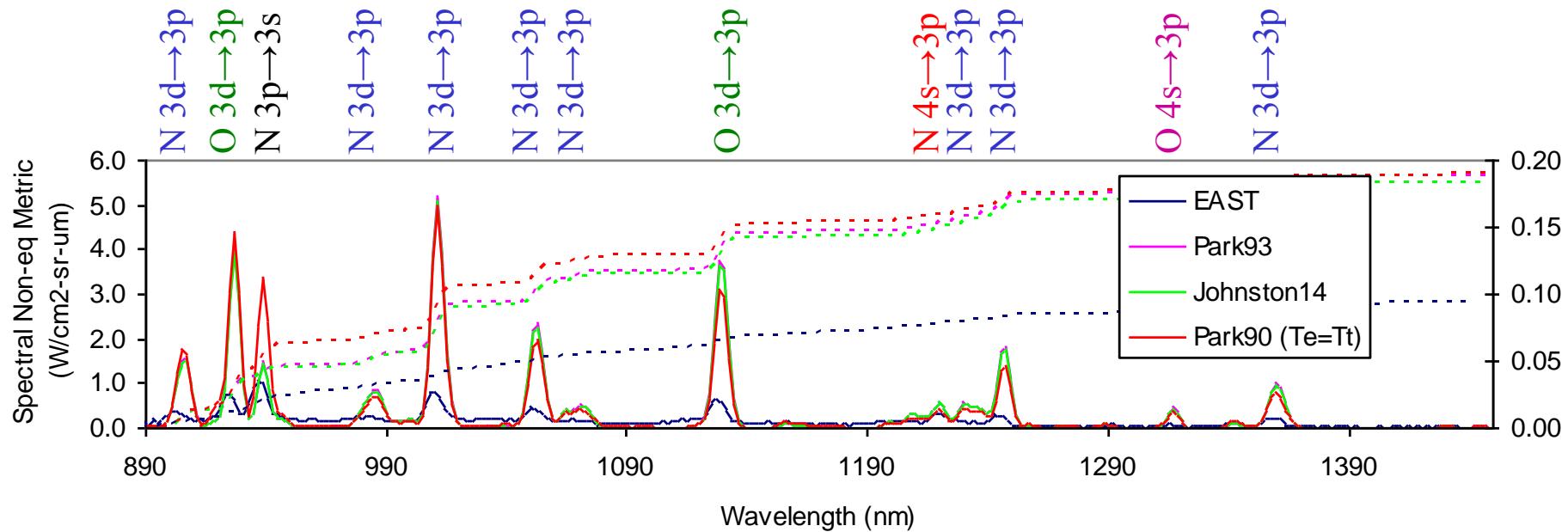


- All lines overpredicted**

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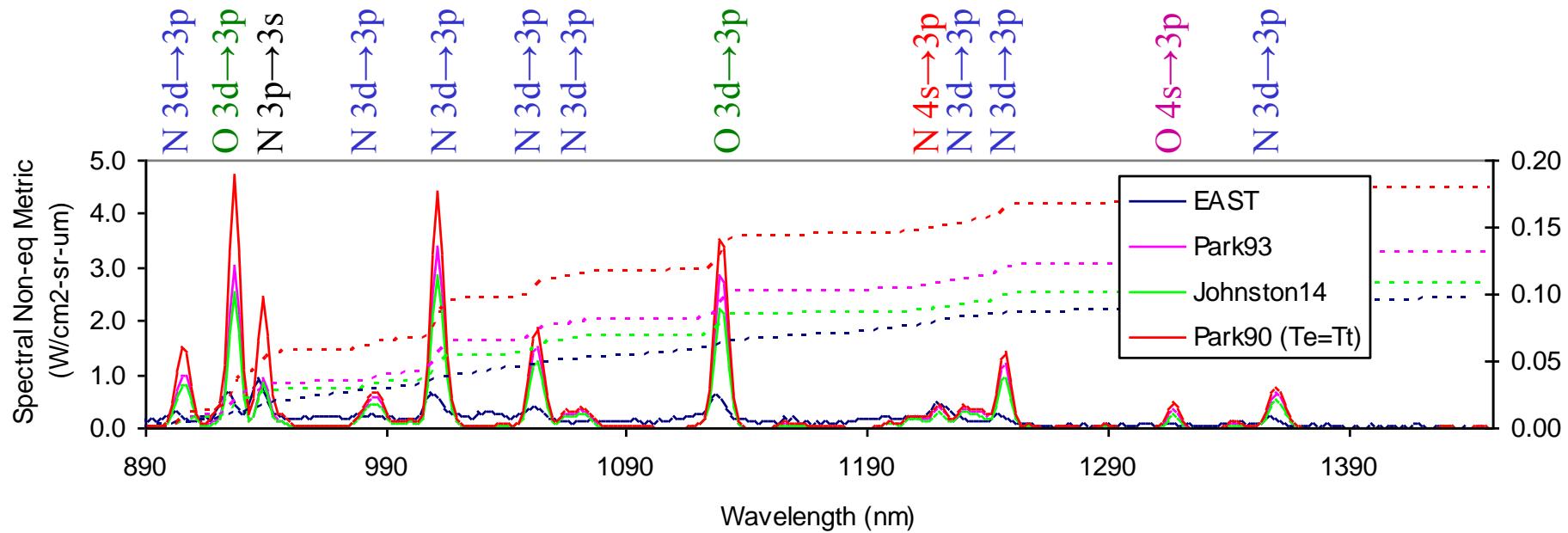


- All lines overpredicted
- N 3p line (939 nm) near match by Park93/Johnston

Non-equilibrium – 890-1450 nm (0.50 Torr, 7.7 km/s)

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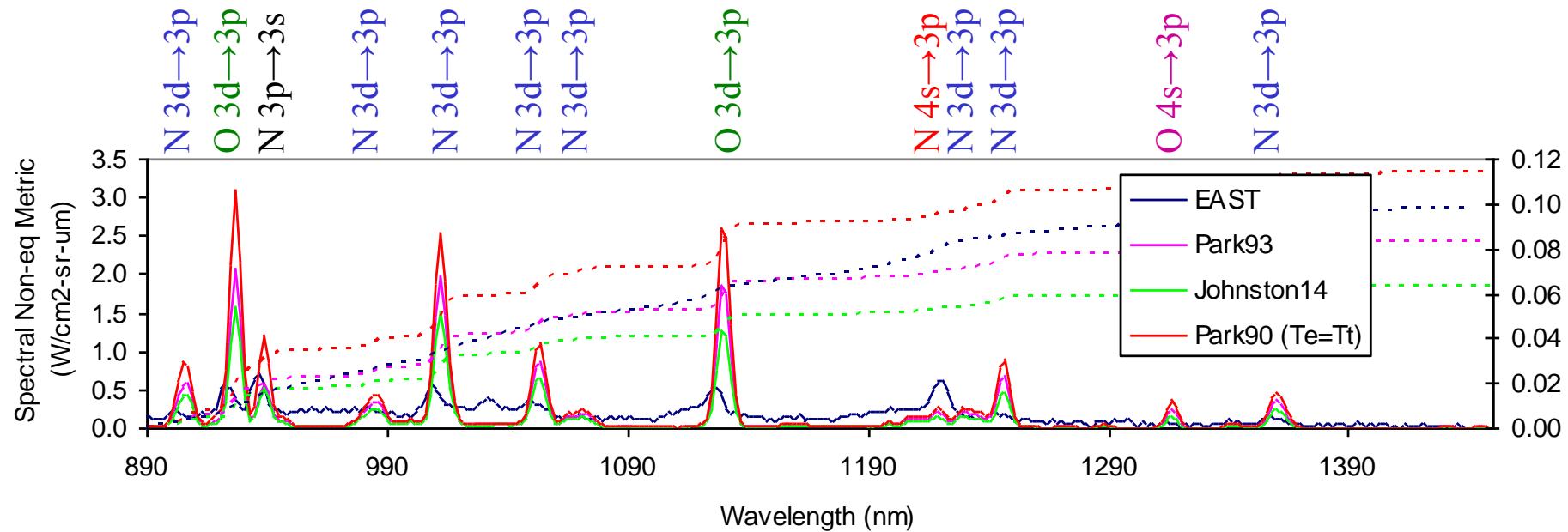


- Most lines overpredicted
- N 3p line (939 nm) matched by Park93/Johnston

Non-equilibrium – 890-1450 nm (0.70 Torr, 7.3 km/s)

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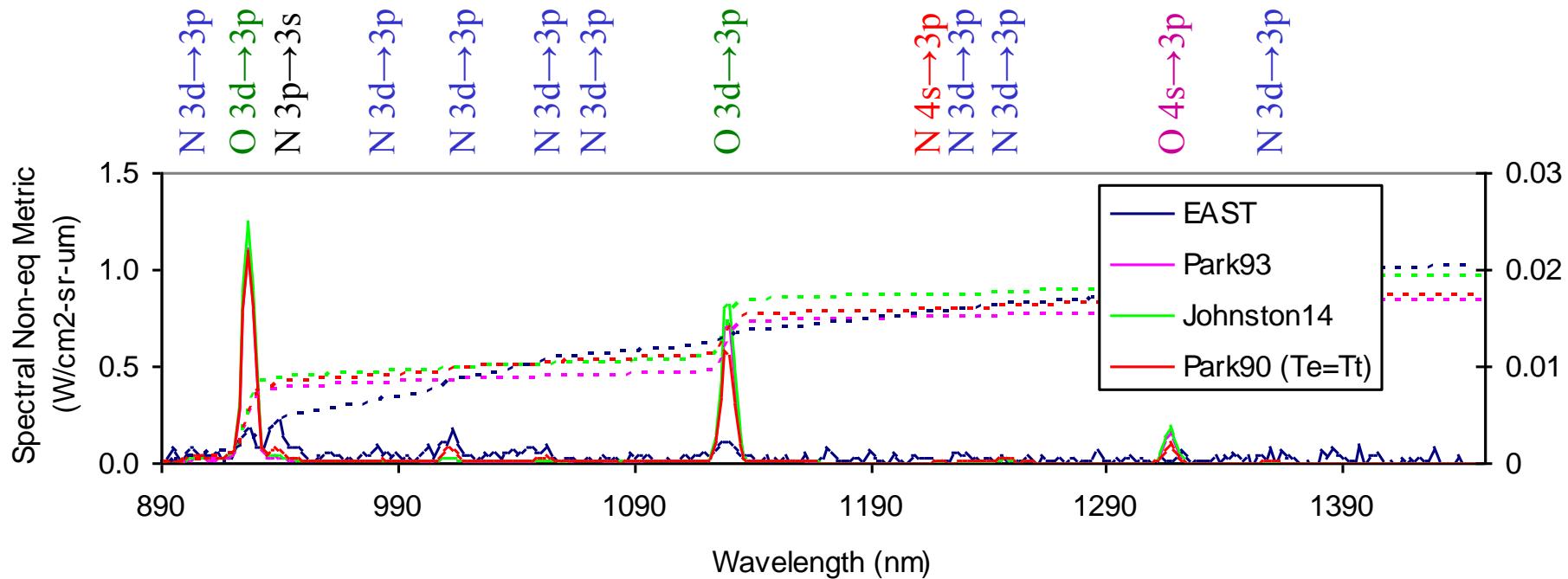


- **Most lines overpredicted**
- **N 3p line (939 nm) matched by Park93/Johnston**
- **Continuum (N₂ Band) not predicted**

Alternate N Excitation Cross Sections

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60 cm tube

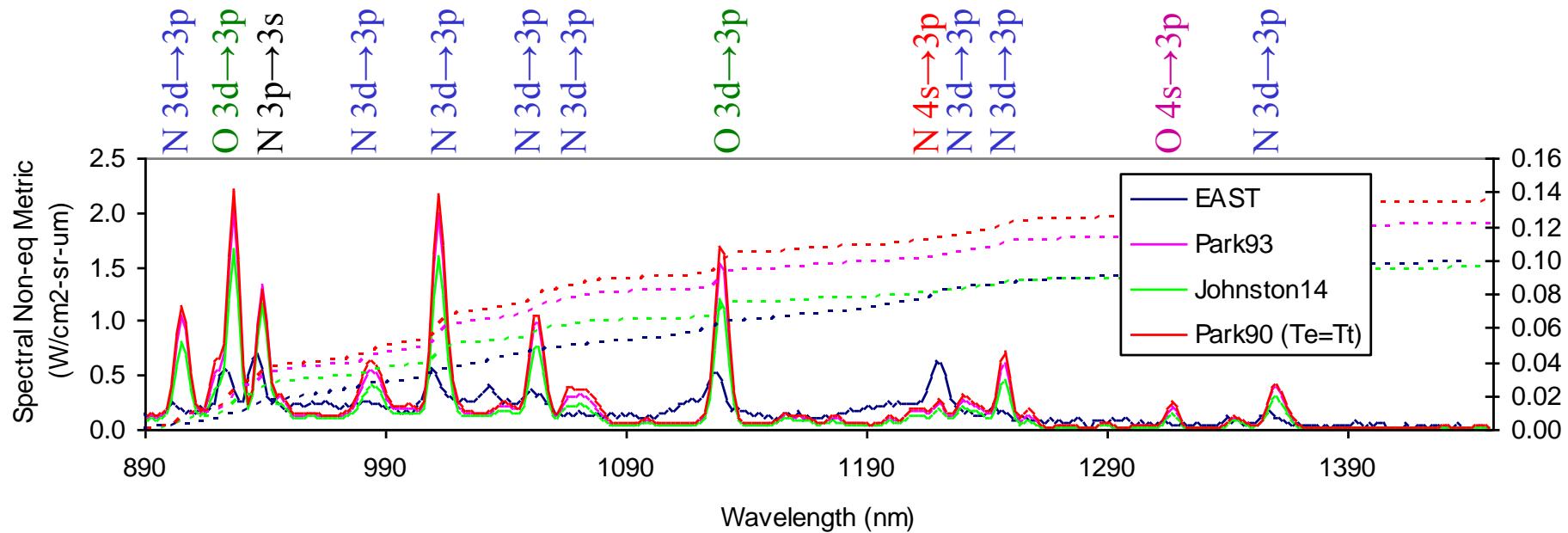


- Alternate cross-sections underpredict N 3p line
- Other lines near noise limit
- O atoms unchanged

Non-equilibrium – 890-1450 nm (0.70 Torr, 7.3 km/s)

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10 cm tube (Boltzmann)



- Boltzmann improves background agreement, lines still too intense



Summary 890-1450 nm

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- **Atomic Lines** originating from higher states generally over predicted
- **One N 3p line** is matched well by Park/Johnston from 0.3-0.7 Torr
- **Molecular radiation at 0.7 Torr** mostly matched under Boltzmann



Predictive Summary

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- Agreement to Predictive (DPLR/NEQAIR) Model is mixed
 - Molecular radiation from N₂/NO is underpredicted
 - Boltzmann distribution takes up underprediction for N₂ B state and NO radiation
 - N₂ C state is overpredicted by Boltzmann
 - N₂⁺ radiation prediction varies with pressure
 - At low pressure: overpredicted for T_e=T_v, matched by heritage model
 - Reasonably matched for intermediate pressure range
 - Underpredicted at high pressure
 - High lying N, O state radiation overpredicted
 - Radiation from 3p states of N predicted well, except at lowest pressure
 - Radiation from 3p states of O mostly underpredicted
- How does your model do?

<https://data.nasa.gov/docs/datasets/aerothermodynamics/EAST/index.html>
(Test 59 - available soon)