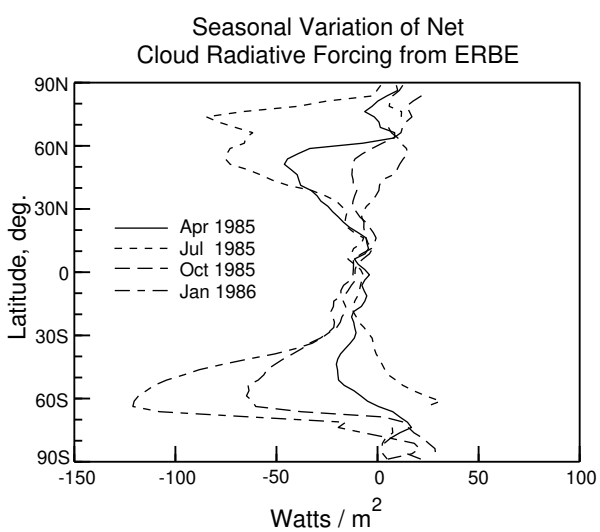


The zonal average cloud radiative forcing is shown for each season (Harrison et al., 1990). A significant cooling is observed in the summer season while a slight warming effect is seen in the winter hemisphere and at the high latitudes. An annual average would show cooling in the mid latitudes and a slight warming in the high latitudes. For the globe, the net effect of clouds is to cool the Earth.