

Aerosol Satellite Remote Sensing: From Past to Present

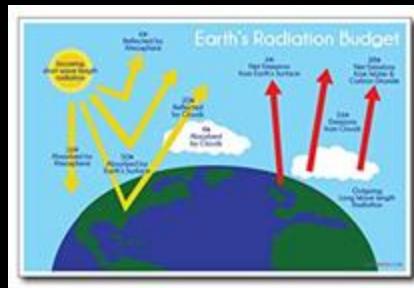
Understanding Aerosols Through Satellite Technology

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What is Atmospheric Aerosol ???

- Simply a form of air pollutant
- Aerosol includes both the particles and the suspending gas in the atmosphere with size ranges of few nanometres to more than $100 \mu\text{m}$

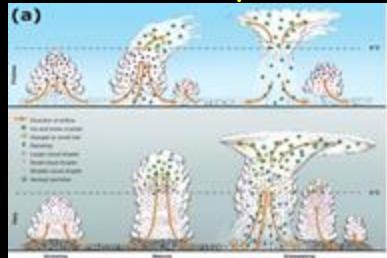
Radiation Budget



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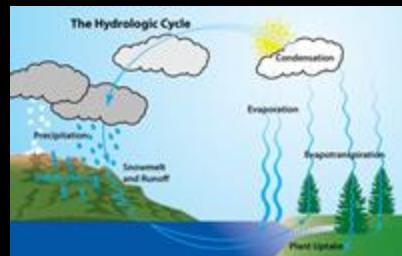


Cloud Properties

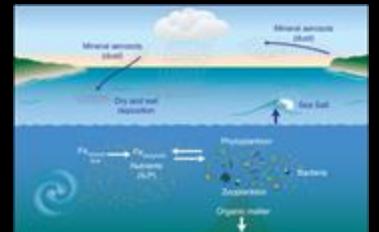


Atmospheric Aerosols

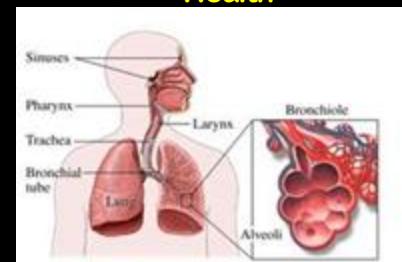
Hydrological Cycle



Marine Environment



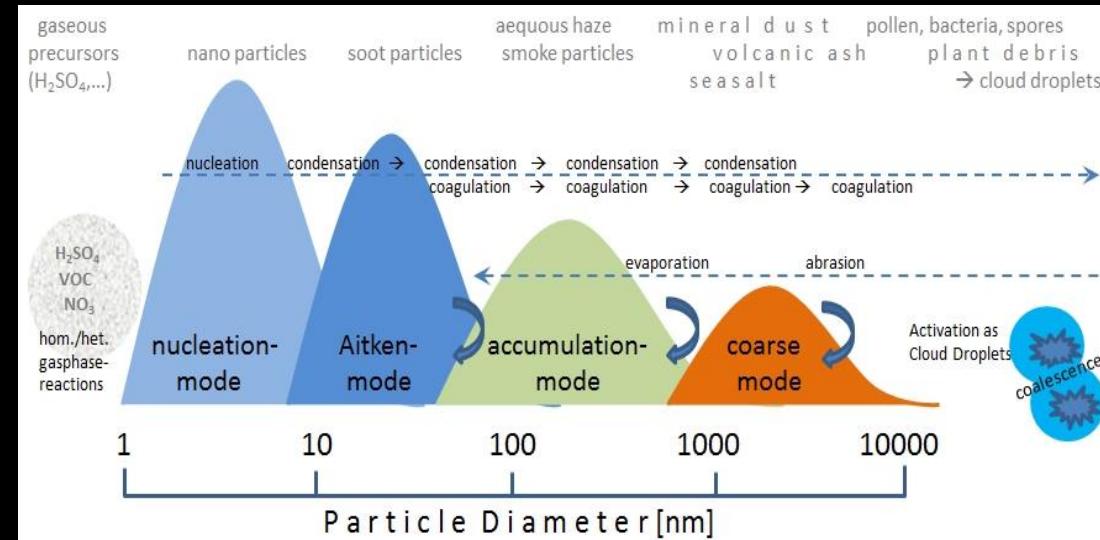
Health



Global Aerosol Budget: **70% natural + 30% anthropogenic**

Aerosol Types

Aerosol Size



❖ Primary Aerosols

(formed directly as particles)

Industrial aerosols

Biomass Burning

Soot

❖ Secondary Aerosols

(formed in the atmosphere from chemical reactions)

Sulfates from industrial SO_2

Organic matter from biogenic

Nitrates from NO_x

Emission Sources

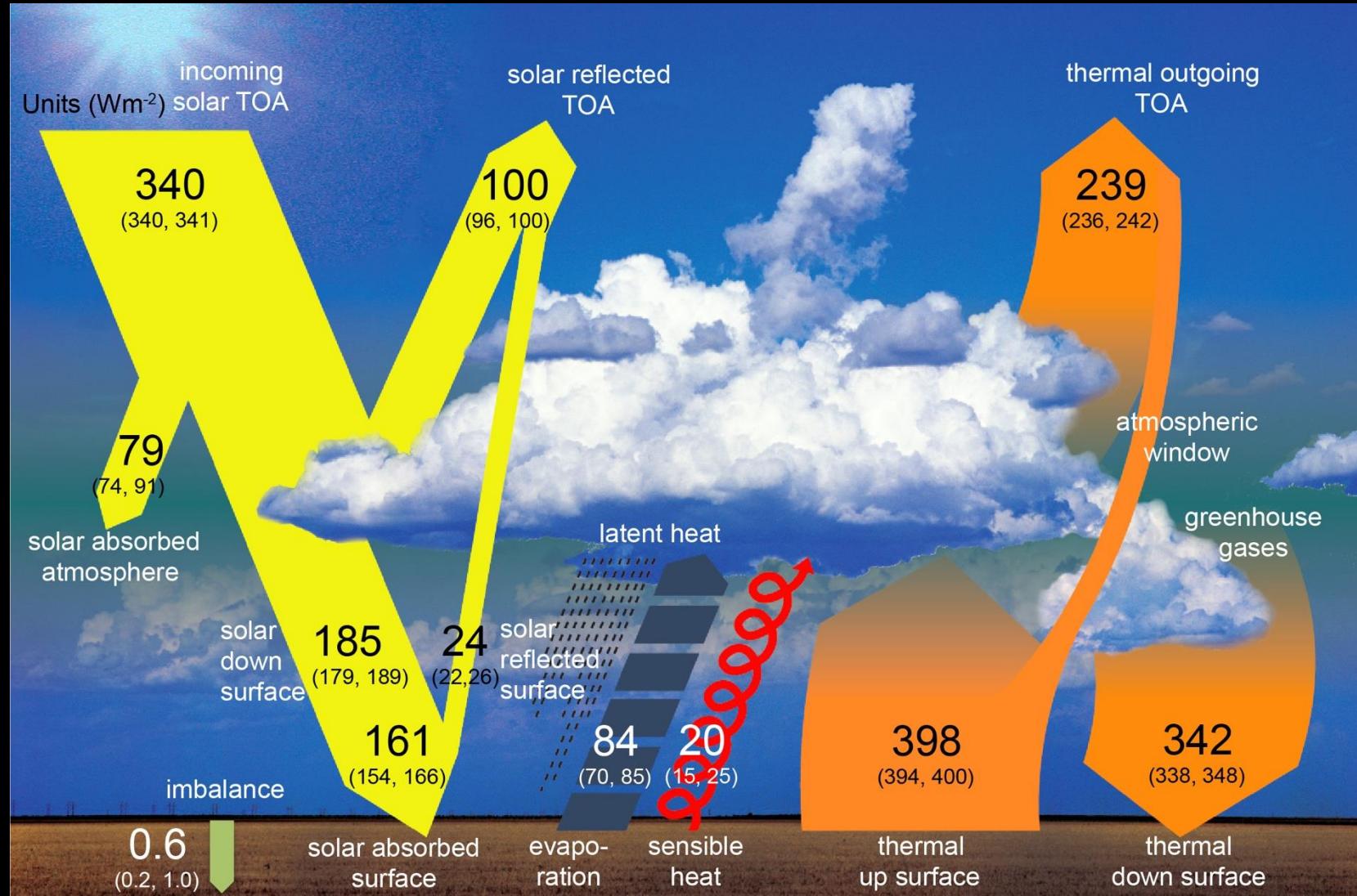
Natural Aerosols



Anthropogenic Aerosols



Earth's Radiation Budget & Radiative Forcing



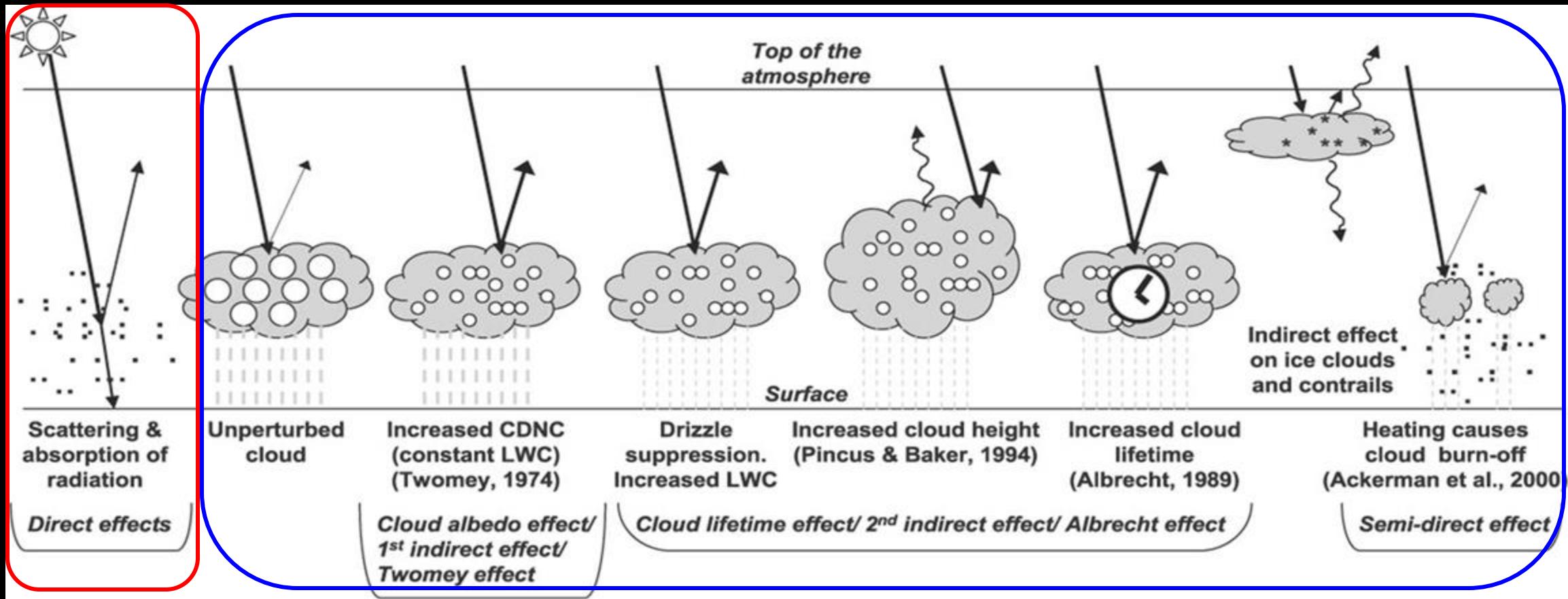
Schematic diagram of the global mean energy balance of the Earth. Numbers state magnitudes of the individual energy fluxes in W m^{-2} , adjusted within their uncertainty ranges to close the energy budgets. Numbers in parentheses attached to the energy fluxes cover the range of values in line with observational constraints. (source: Wild et al. 2013)

Impacts of aerosols

Two Major Impacts

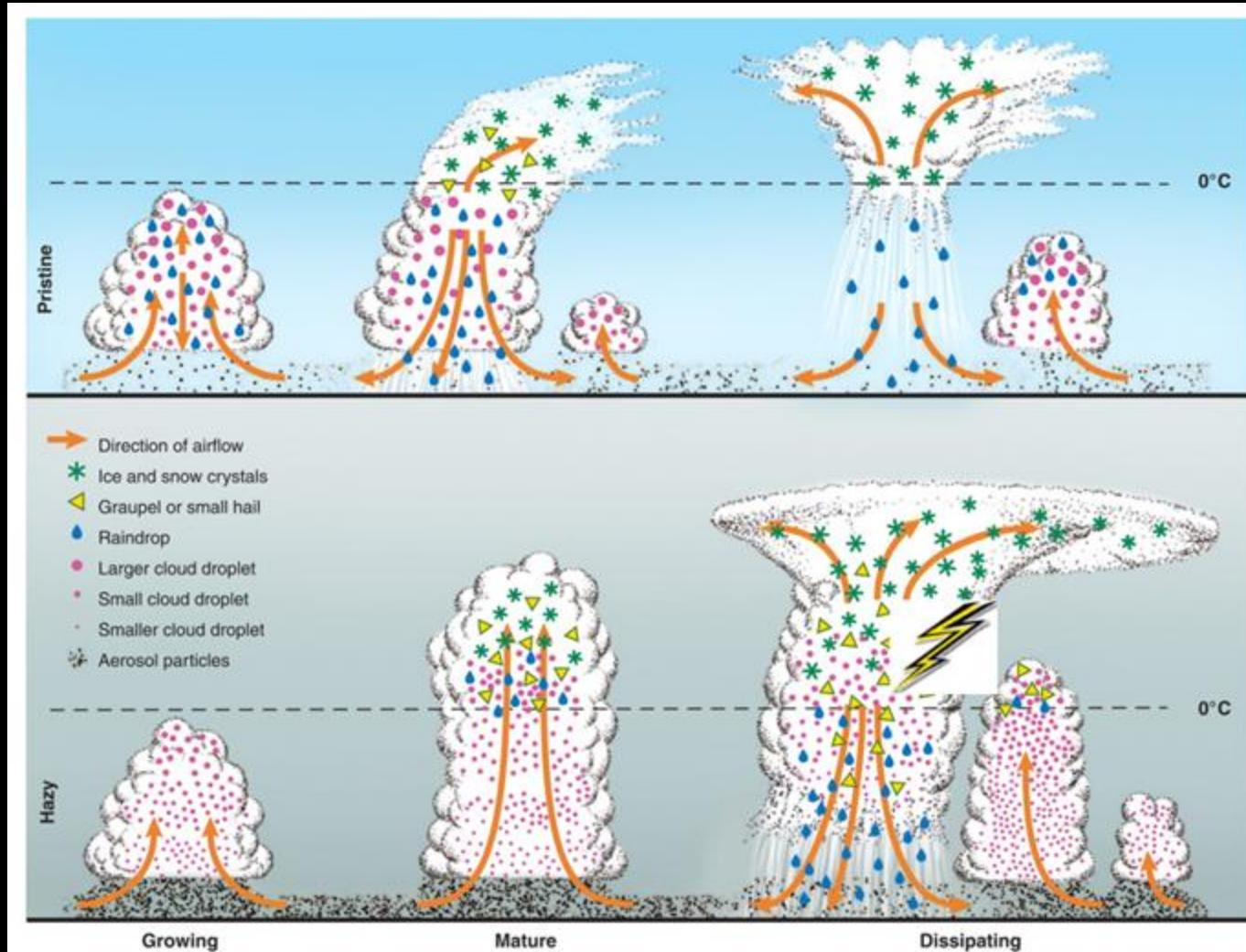
(1) Direct effect or aerosol-radiation interactions

(2) Indirect effect or aerosol-cloud interactions

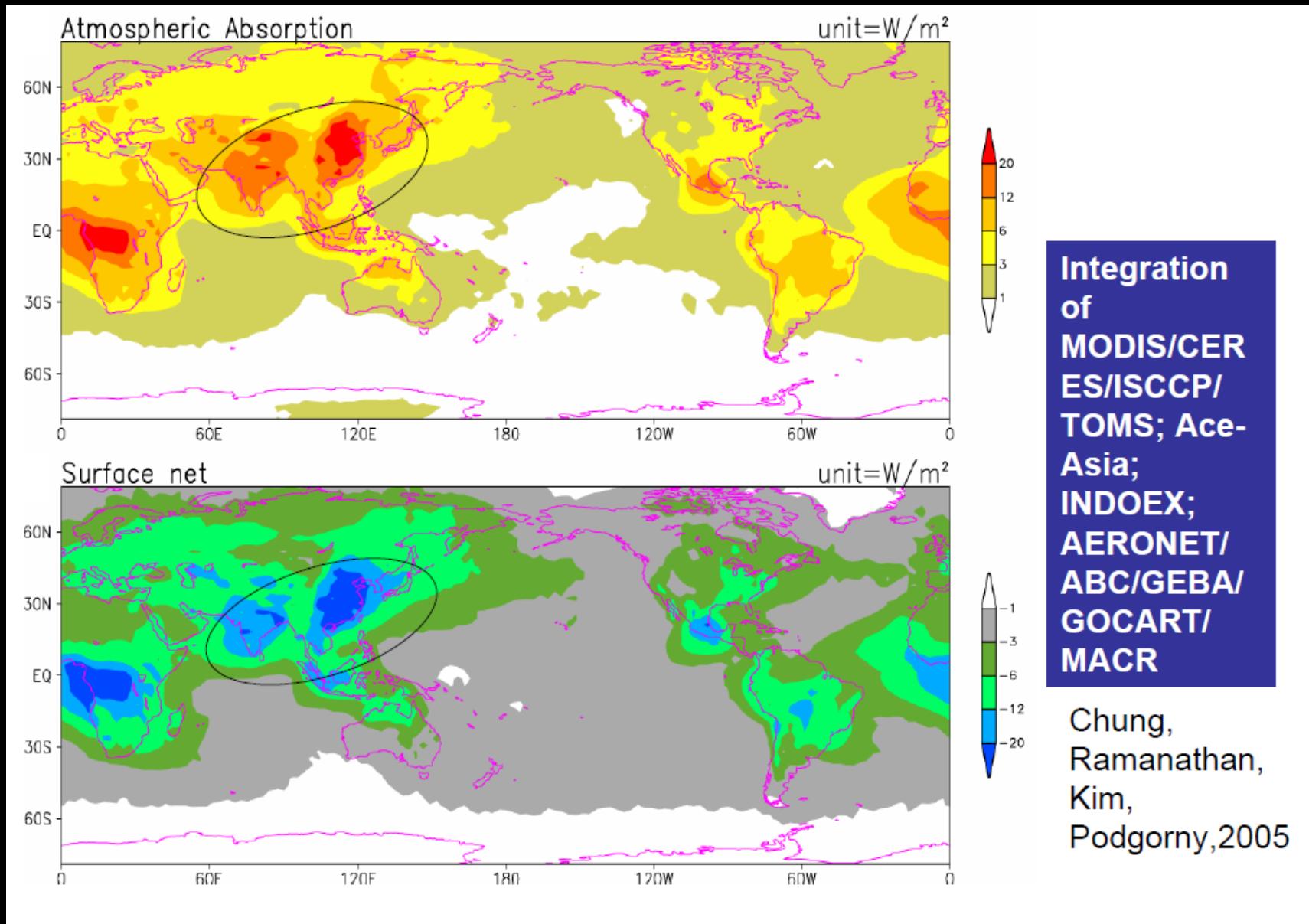


Impacts of aerosols

Indirect effect of the 3rd kind: Delayed warm rain, and prolonged cloud life time by aerosols in a monsoon (moisture-rich) environment may invigorate deep convection)



Aerosol induced atmospheric warming and surface cooling



Atmospheric brown clouds: Impacts on South Asian climate and hydrological cycle

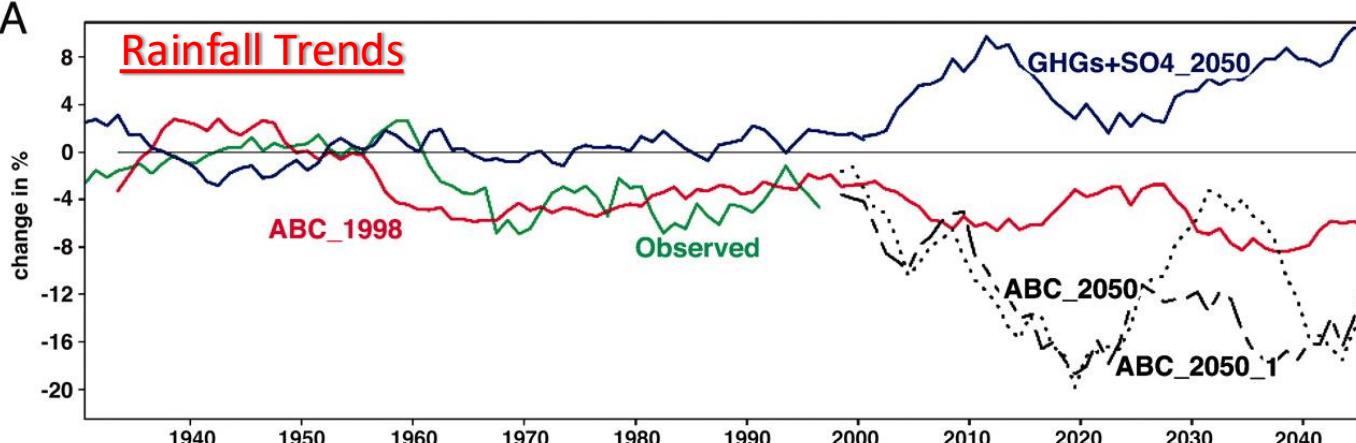
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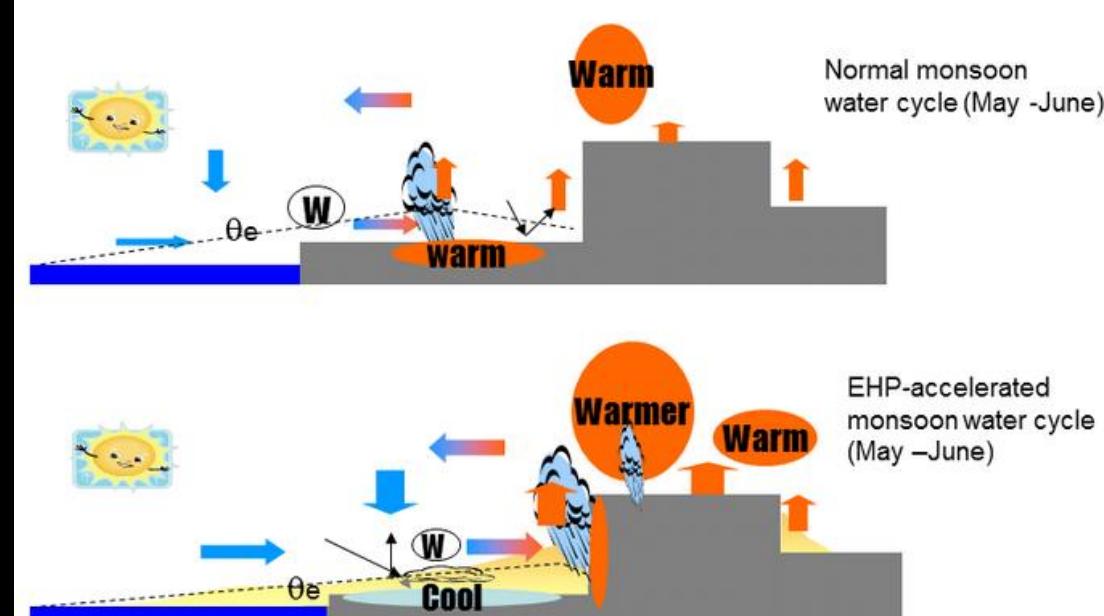
Weakening of the South Asian Monsoon as a response to absorbing aerosols (e.g. black carbon)

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The Elevated Heat Pump (EHP) Hypothesis

Lau et al., 2006. Lau & Kim 2006



EHP postulates: a) an advance of the rainy season in northern India/Nepal region in May-June
b) In July-August, the increased convection spreads from the foothills of the Himalayas to central India, resulting in an intensification of the Indian monsoon.

Short-term modulation of Indian summer monsoon rainfall by West Asian dust

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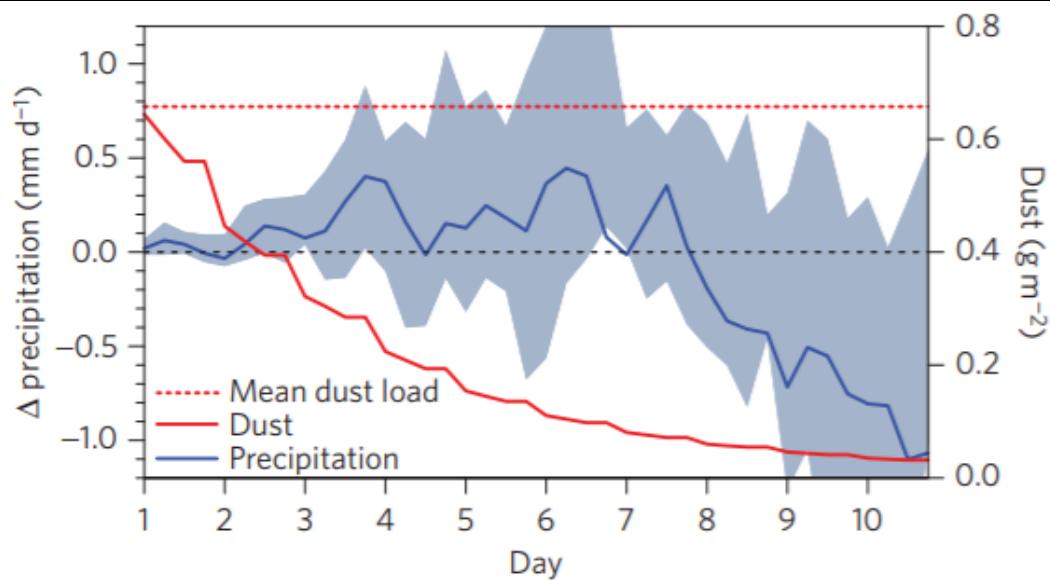


Figure 5 | The short-time response of precipitation to dust forcing as estimated from the composite of two 19-member sets of ten-day simulations (the DPE). The blue line corresponds to changes in

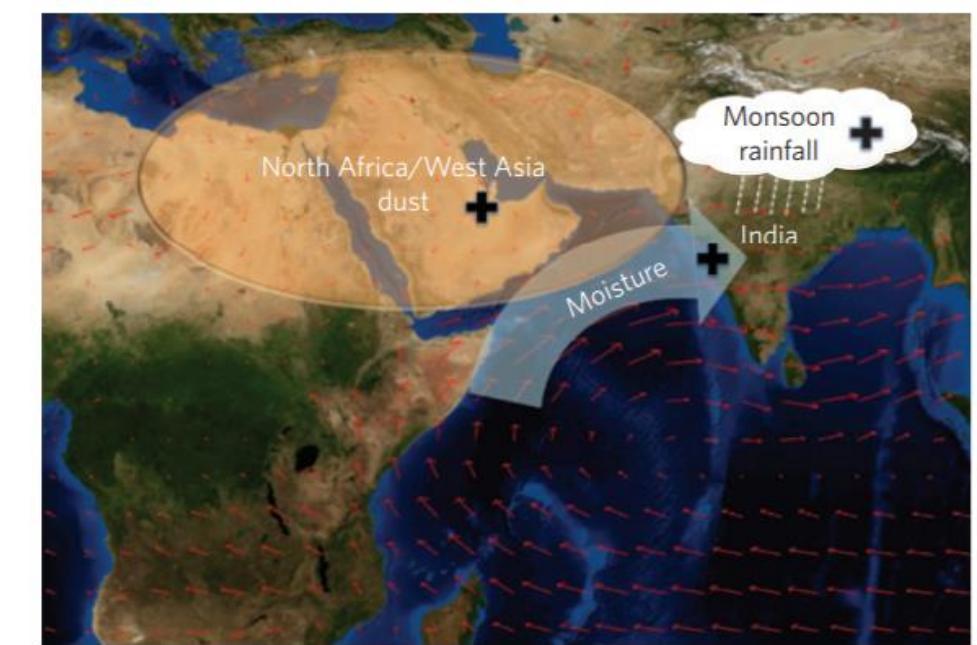
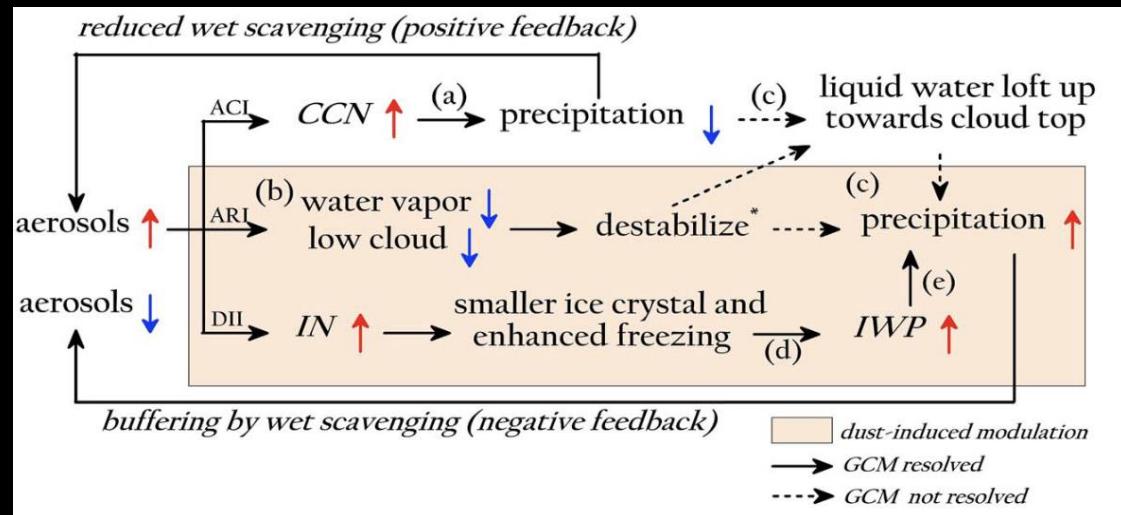
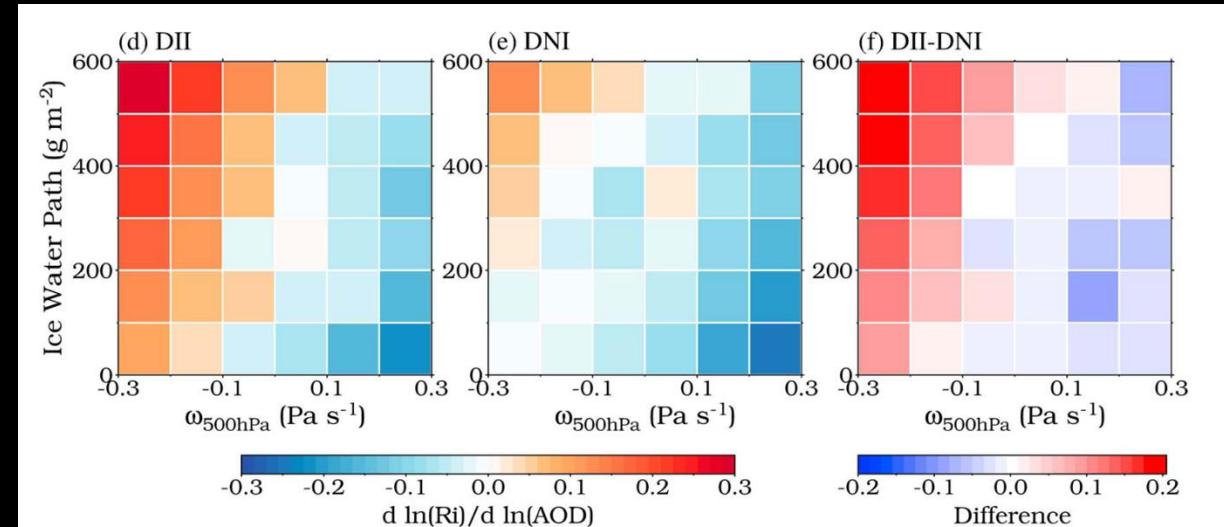
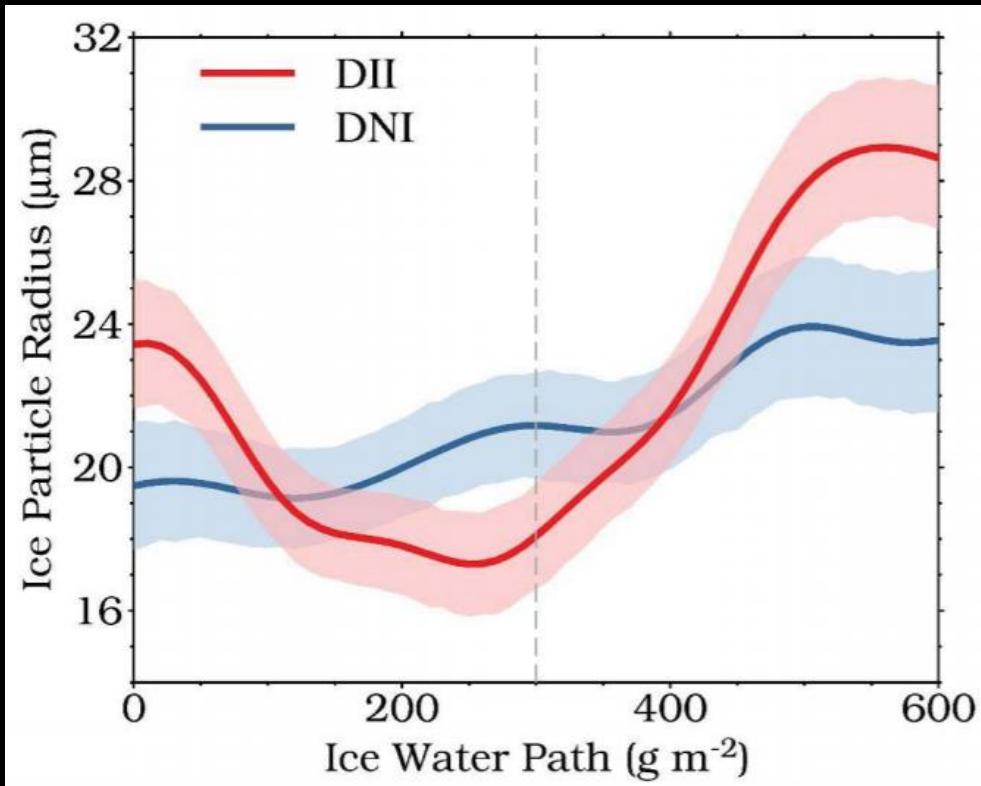


Figure 6 | Schematic representation of the circulation and monsoon rainfall response to dust aerosols over North Africa and West Asia suggested here. The true-colour image of the Earth (a product of NASA's

Desert dust modifying ice clouds and affecting monsoon rainfall?

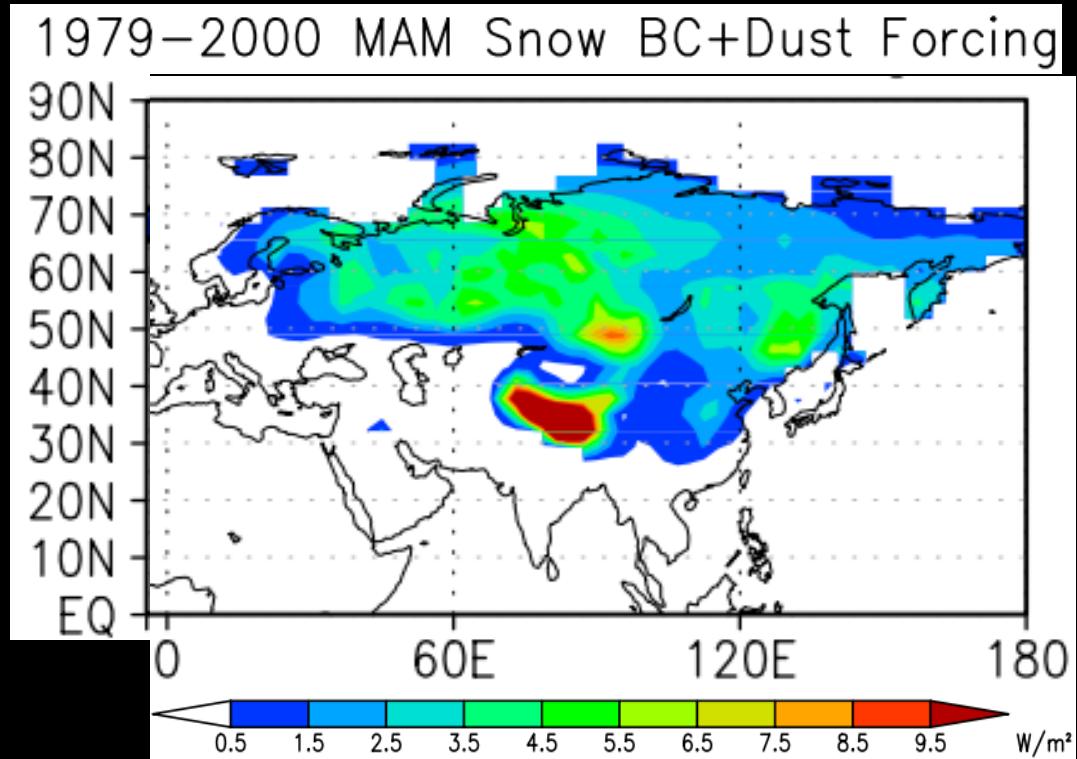
Elevated dust lofted higher in the atmosphere can affect ice cloud properties and induce changes in rainfall via ice nucleation and cloud invigoration processes

DII: dust interacting with ice clouds



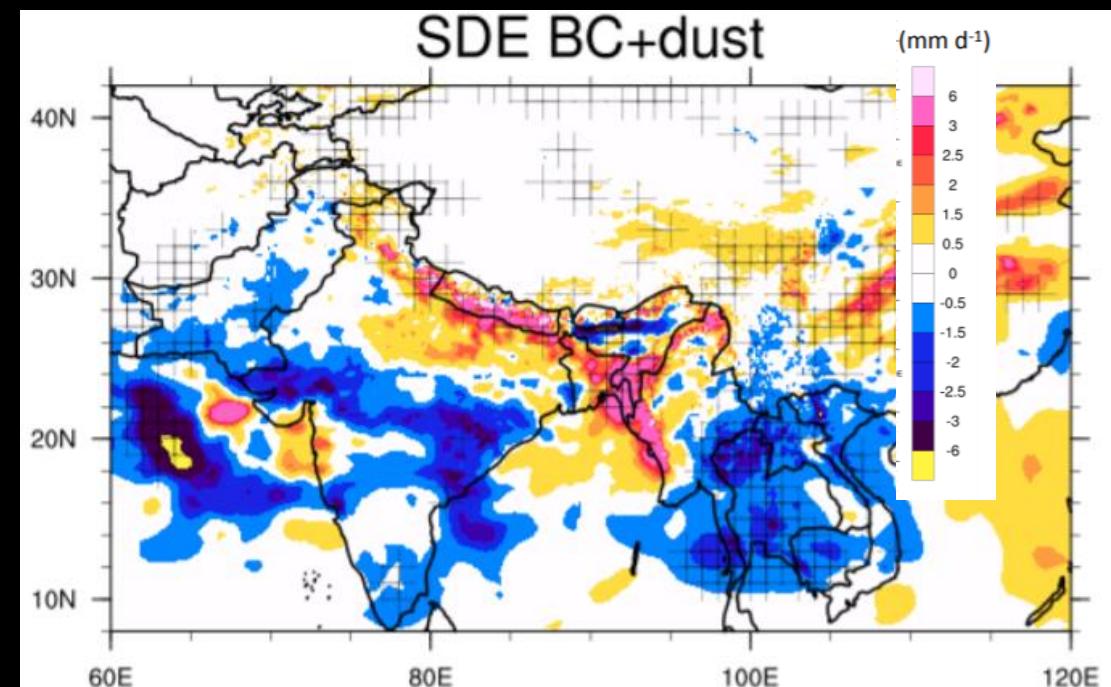
Snow Darkening Effect: Dust/Black Carbon Deposition on snow

- Himalayas-Tibetan Plateau (HTP) are among the largest ice-covered regions on Earth, major freshwater resource in Asia.
- Climate simulations suggest climate warming and accelerated snowmelt in the Himalayas, *due to dust and black carbon deposition*.



Flanner et al. 2009, ACP

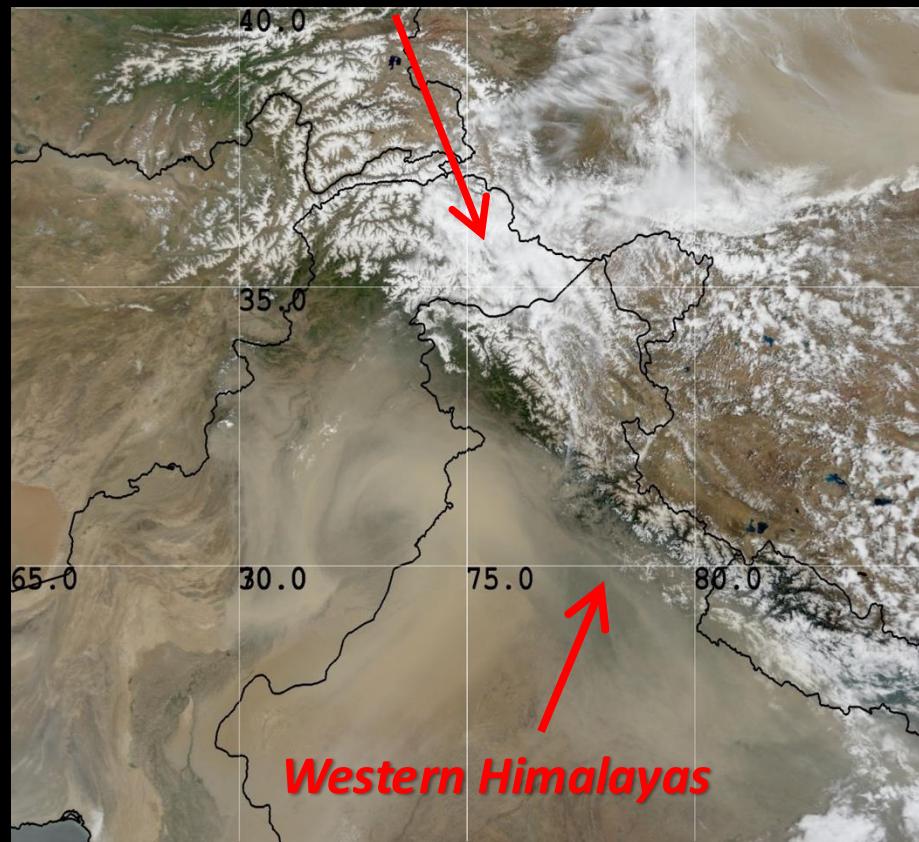
May-June mean precipitation anomaly in response to Snow Darkening Effect



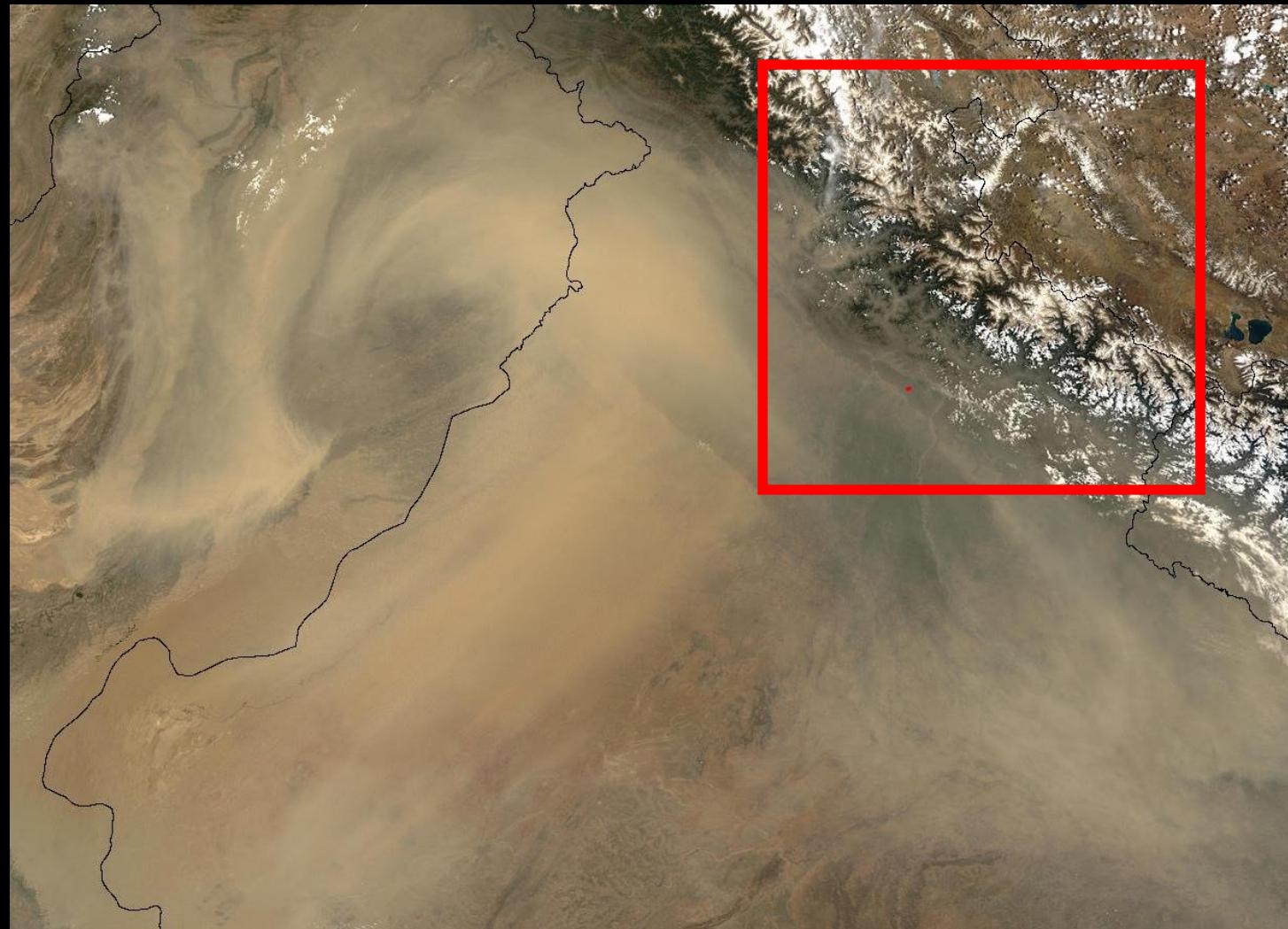
Rahimi et al. 2019, ACP

Dust Storm over southern Asia, 9 June 2003

Hindu-Kush Karakoram

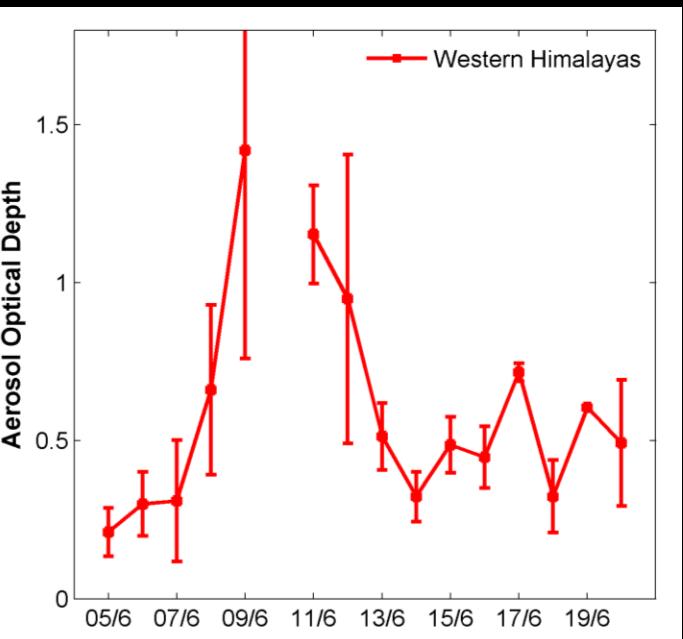


Western Himalayas

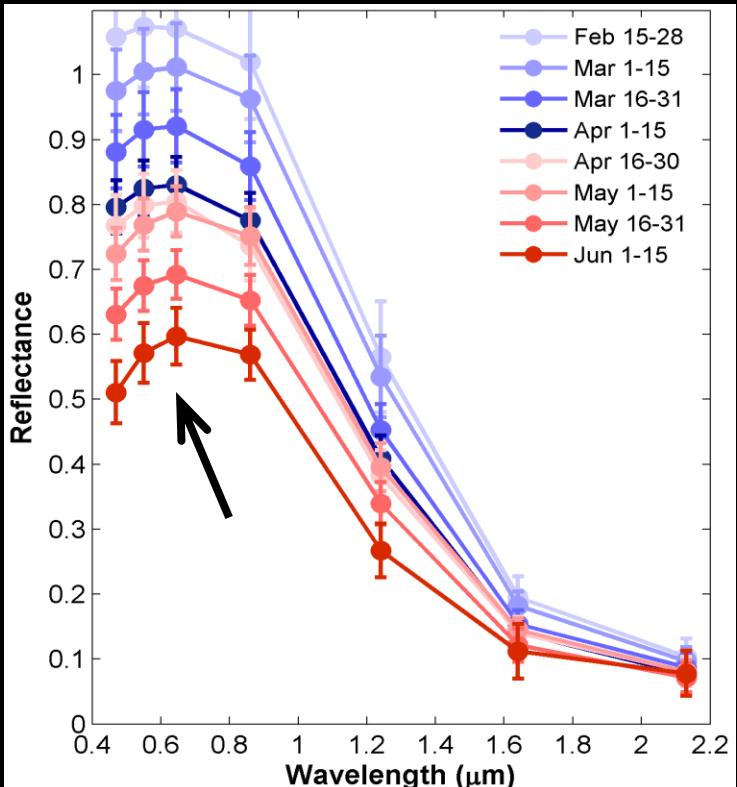


Snow Darkening in the Himalaya

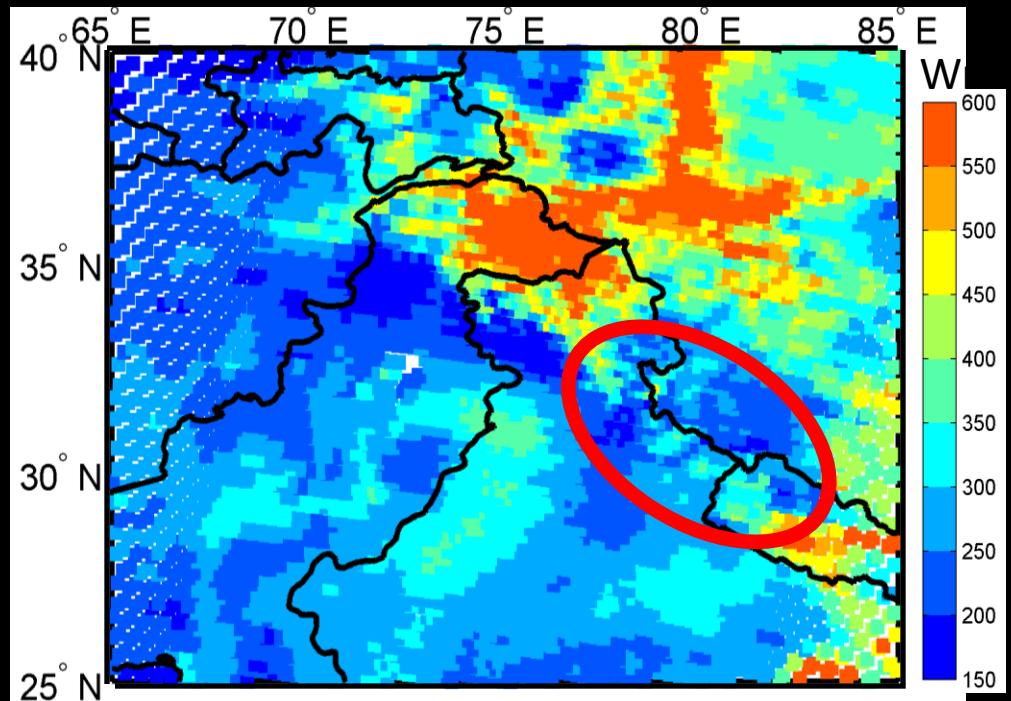
MODIS/Aerosol Optical Depth



Seasonal variation of Reflectance
over western Himalaya Snow



Shortwave Flux (reflected)
Top-of-Atmosphere (CERES) 9 June 2003

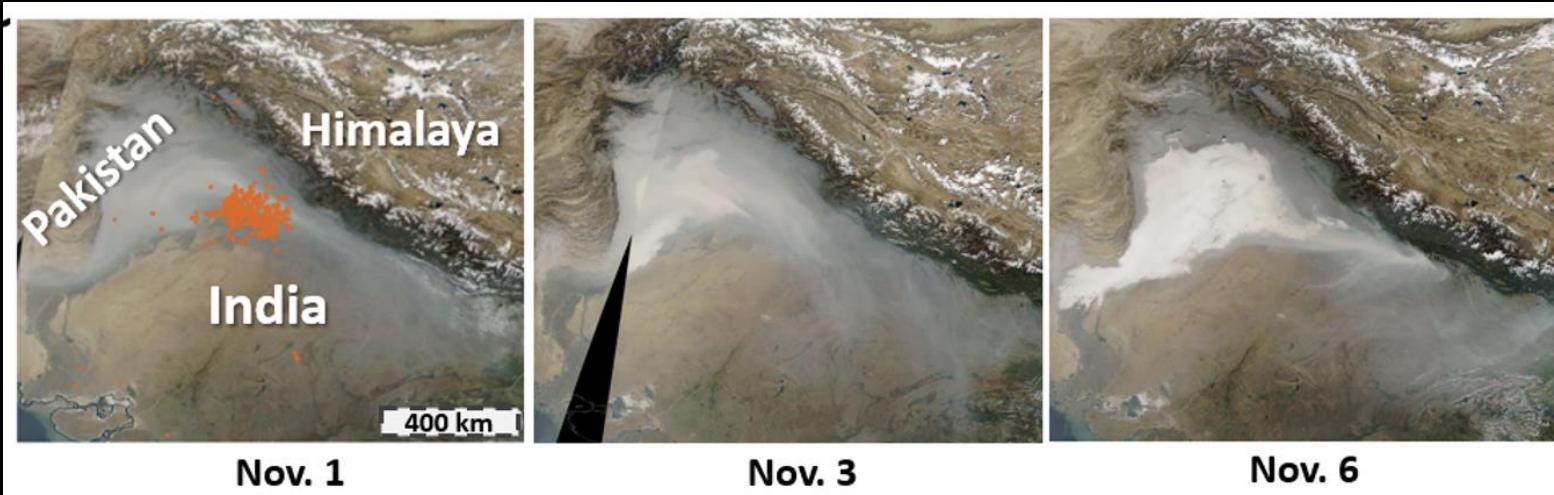
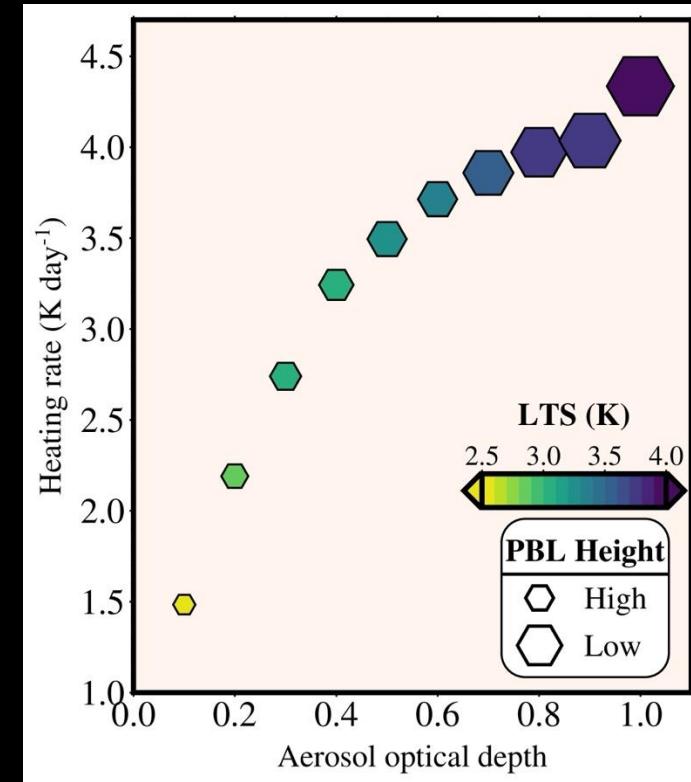
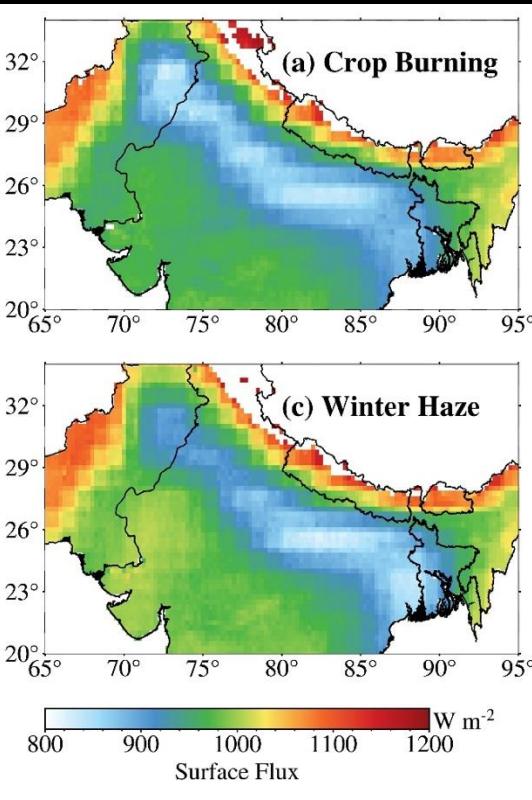
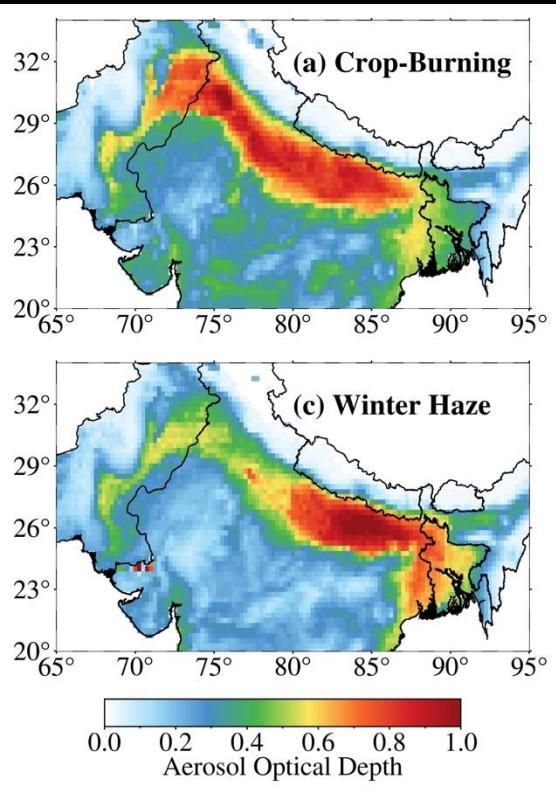


- Snowmelt/Snow Aging: winter-summer
- VIS-NIR gradient in summer

Darkening over dust-laden western Himalaya snow cover with lower TOA flux ($250-400\text{Wm}^{-2}$), compared to northern Hindu-Kush-Karakoram ($400-500\text{Wm}^{-2}$), outside of dust front.

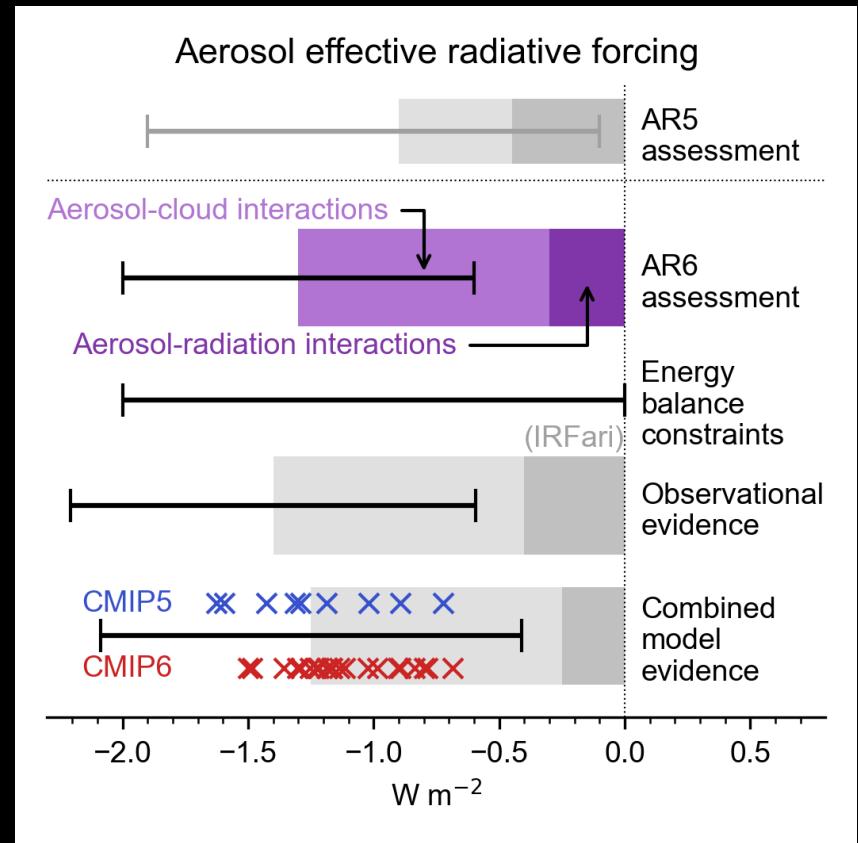
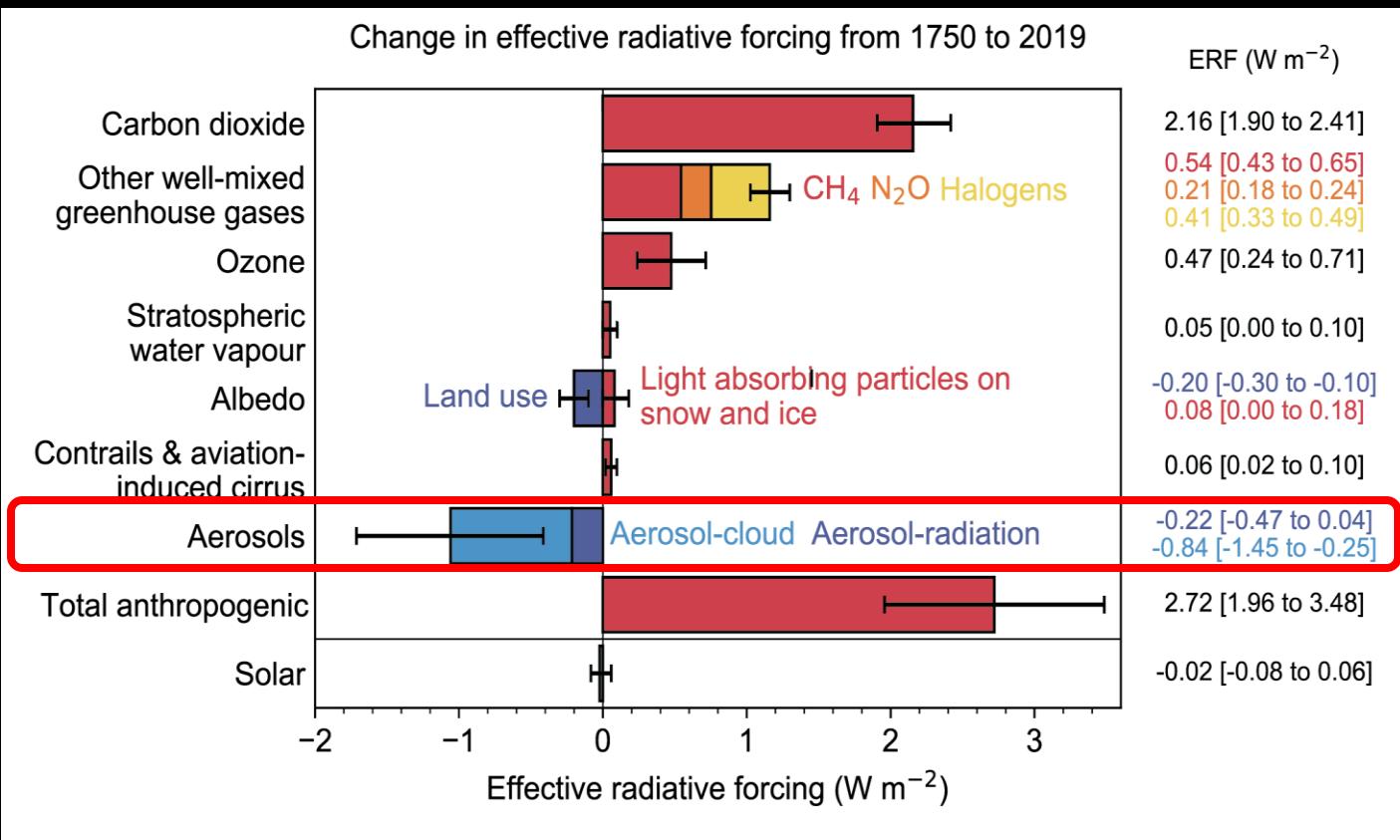
Gautam et al., (2013)

Smog Formation due to aerosol-radiation effects on regional meteorology



Why we need to study aerosols?

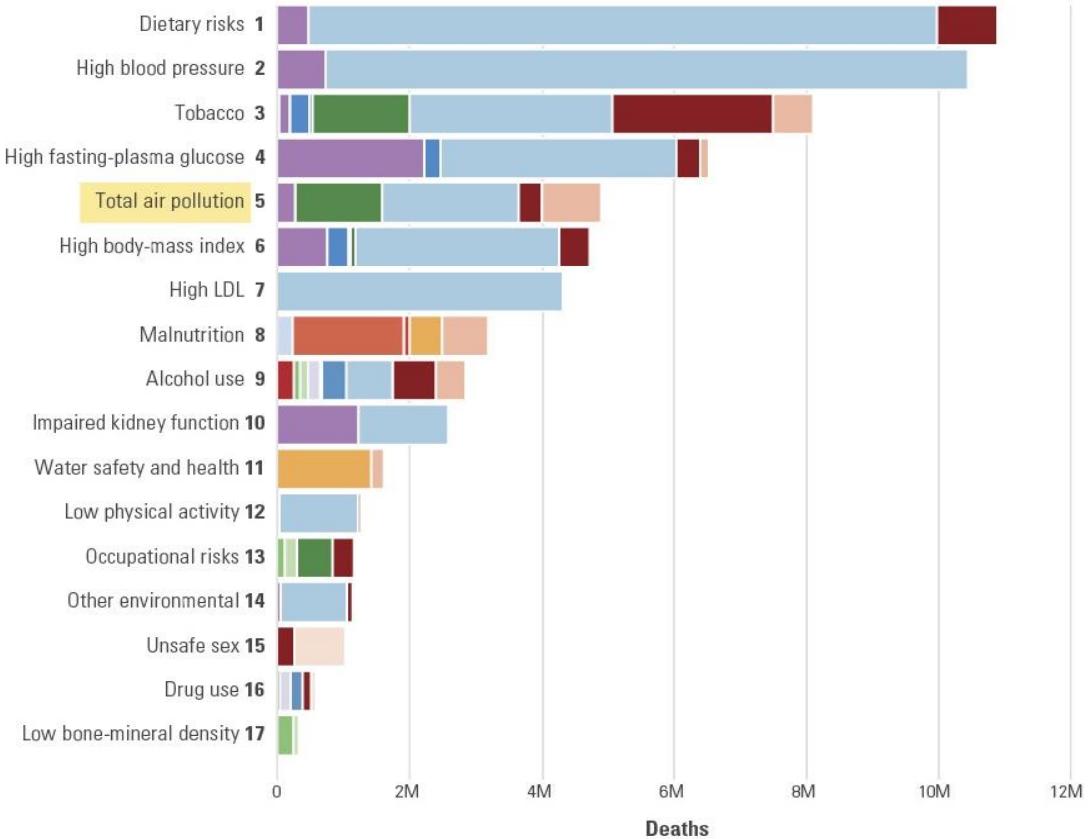
IPCC 2021 (1750– 2019)



Global mean radiative forcing of individual components of the atmospheric as estimated in the IPCC assessment reports.

Why we need to study aerosols?

Global ranking of risk factors by total number of deaths from all causes for all ages and both sexes in 2017.



Air Pollution-Related

- Respiratory infections & TB
- Neoplasms
- Cardiovascular diseases
- Chronic respiratory disease
- Diabetes & chronic kidney disease

Selected Other

- HIV/AIDS & STIs
- Enteric infections
- NTDs & malaria
- Other infections
- Maternal & neonatal
- Nutritional deficiencies

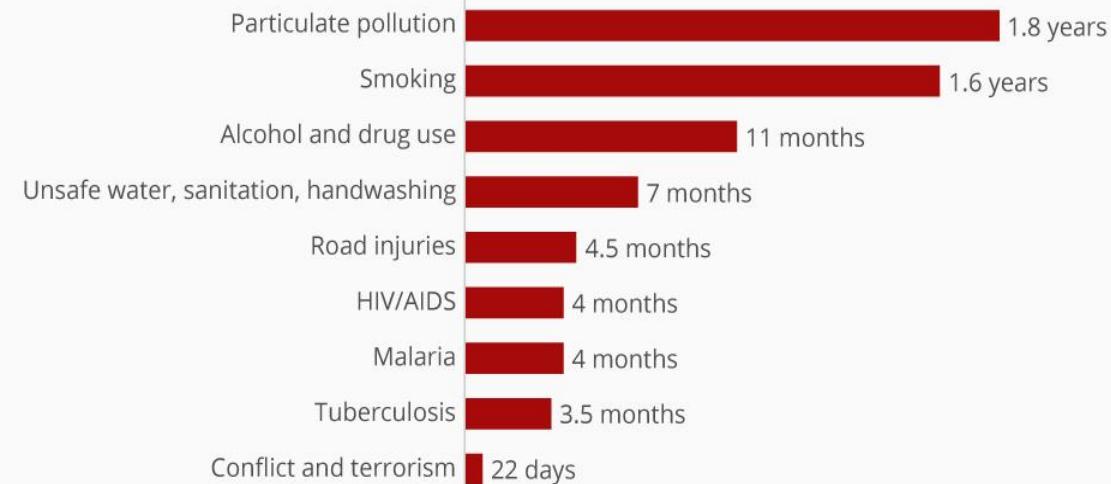
- Digestive diseases
- Neurological disorders
- Mental disorders
- Substance use
- Transport injuries
- Unintentional injuries
- Self-harm & violence

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Air Pollution Is The Greatest Human Health Risk

Average life expectancy lost per person worldwide due to the following

If current particulate pollution levels persist, today's global population will lose a total of **12.8 billion years of life**



@StatistaCharts Source: AQI Air Quality Life Index

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Aerosol Monitoring

Ground-based Remote Sensing

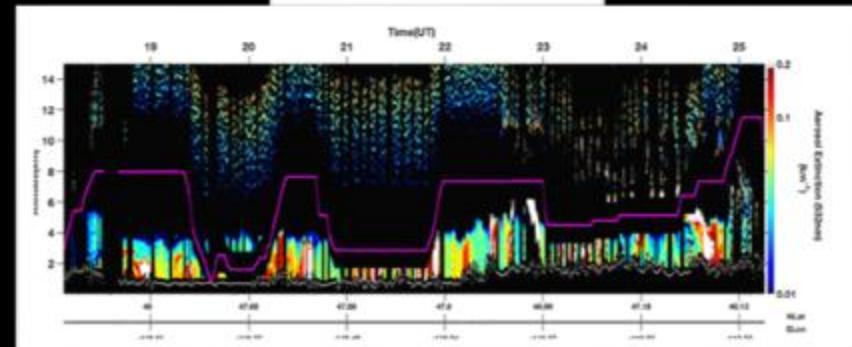
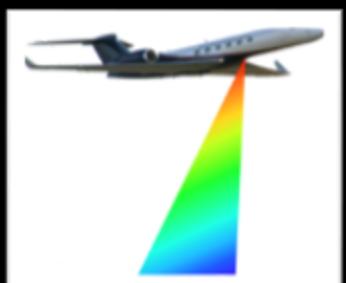


- Microtops II
- Sun/Sky Radiometer
- Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer
- Differential Mobility Particle Sizer
- Condensation Particle Counter
- Aerodynamics Particle Sizer
- Aethalometer
- Scanning electron microscopy
- Liquid/Gas/Ion Chromatography
- Proton Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

Balloon borne Remote Sensing



Airborne Remote Sensing



Satellite Remote Sensing



- MODIS (Terra & Aqua)
- OMI (Aura)
- MISR (Terra)
- GEOS
- CALIOP (CALIPSO)
- Fengyun series
- TROPOMI (Sentinel-5P)
- Himawari series
- VIIRS (S-NPP/NOAA-20/21)
- INSAT series
- SPEXone (PACE)
- EarthCARE
- Biomass

Why Satellite Remote Sensing ?

- **Global Monitoring:** Satellite RS covers the entire Earth, including land, ocean, atmosphere, and cryosphere.
- **High Spatial and Temporal Resolution:** Satellites provide frequent and systematic observations with consistent spatial and temporal coverage.
- **Beyond Ground Limits:** Unlike ground-based measurements, which are limited to specific locations, satellites offer a broader, global perspective.
- **Geophysical Variable Retrieval:** RS facilitates the retrieval of various geophysical variables, enhancing monitoring and analysis across diverse Earth systems.

Why Atmospheric Remote Sensing ?

Because there is a global need/concern to understand more about atmosphere, its contents, various processes.

- Monitoring & Retrieval of aerosols, clouds, water vapor, rainfall and so on.
- Atmospheric Correction in satellite/airborne imagery
- Atmospheric data is used for weather forecasting and climate prediction
- Air Quality characterization
- Studying Global & Regional Environmental/Climate Change

Active vs. Passive Remote Sensing

Solar/Terrestrial back-scatter

(sensor depends on backscattered shortwave/longwave radiation)

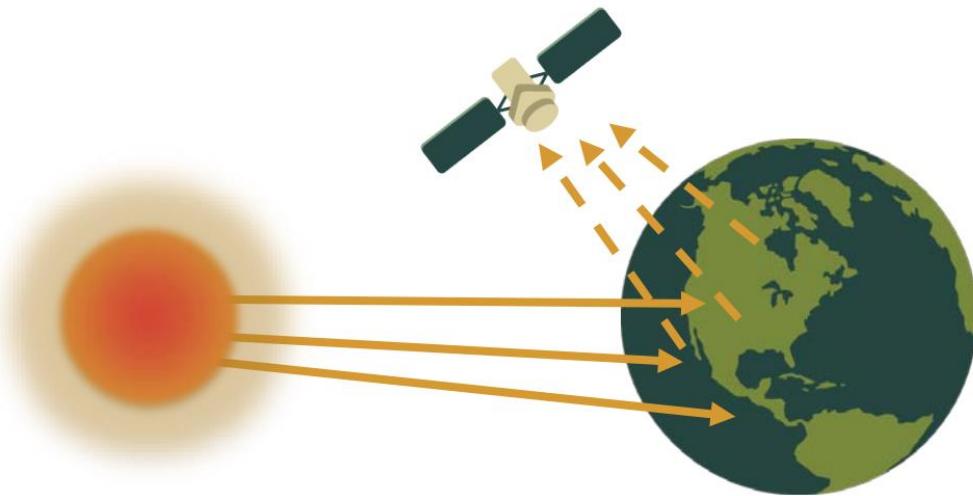
(MODIS, MISR, POLDER, SPEXone etc.)

Active system

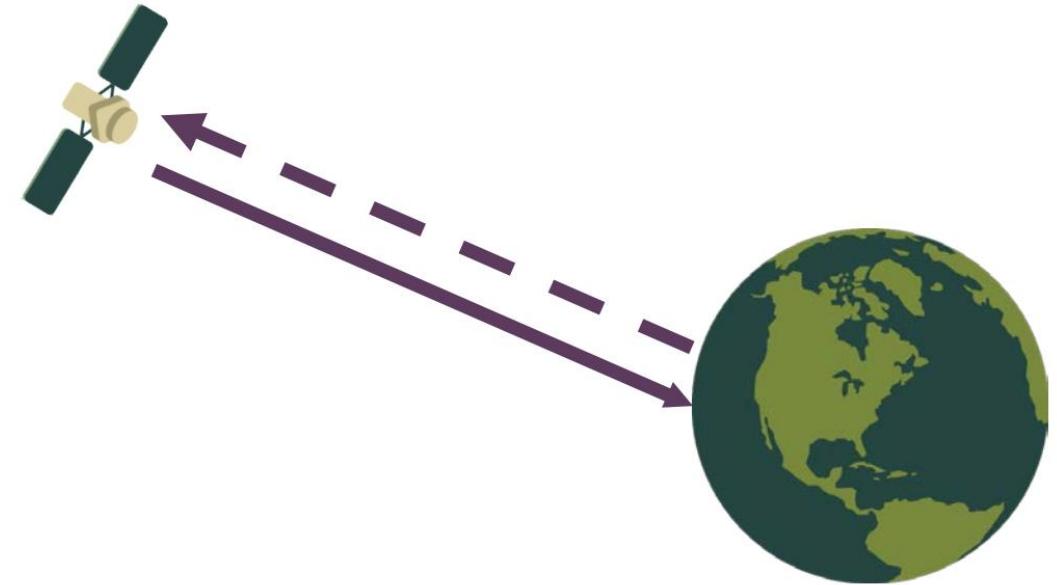
(sensor has its own source of light)

(CALIOP/CALIPSO, ATLID/EarthCARE)

Passive Sensors



Active Sensors



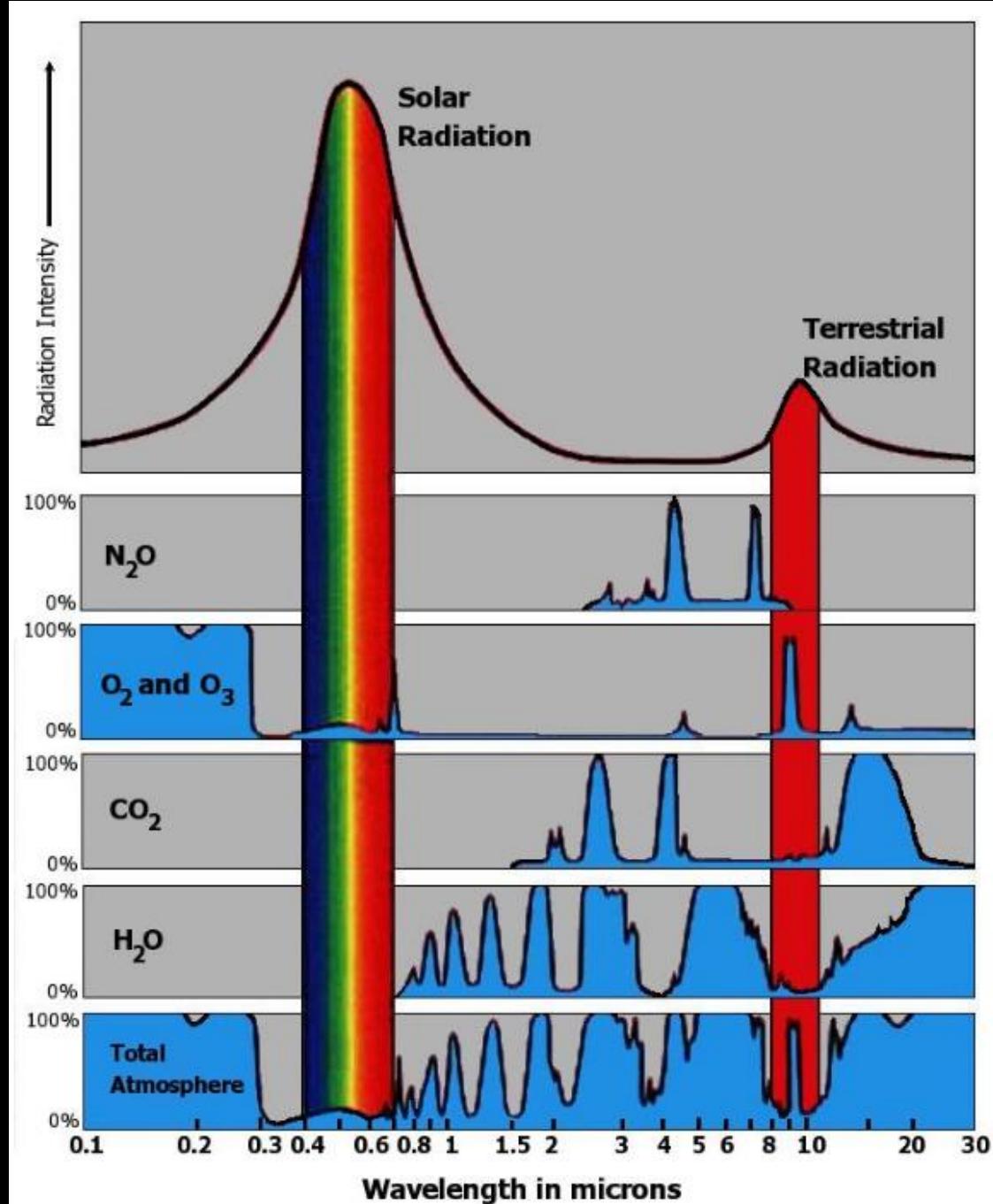
Pros: horizontal coverage

Cons: daytime only,

no vertical information

Pros: vertical profiling

Cons: sparse sampling,
low S/N



Visible part of Solar Radiation is largely unaffected atmospheric gases, but it is influenced by particle scattering (due to aerosols and clouds).

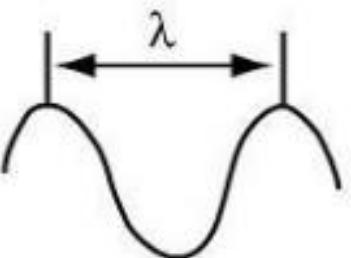
Longwave radiation is influenced by absorption due to gases present in the atmosphere such as CO₂, water vapor, methane, etc.

Interactions of Electromagnetic Radiation with Atmosphere

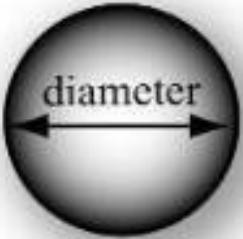
Rayleigh Scattering

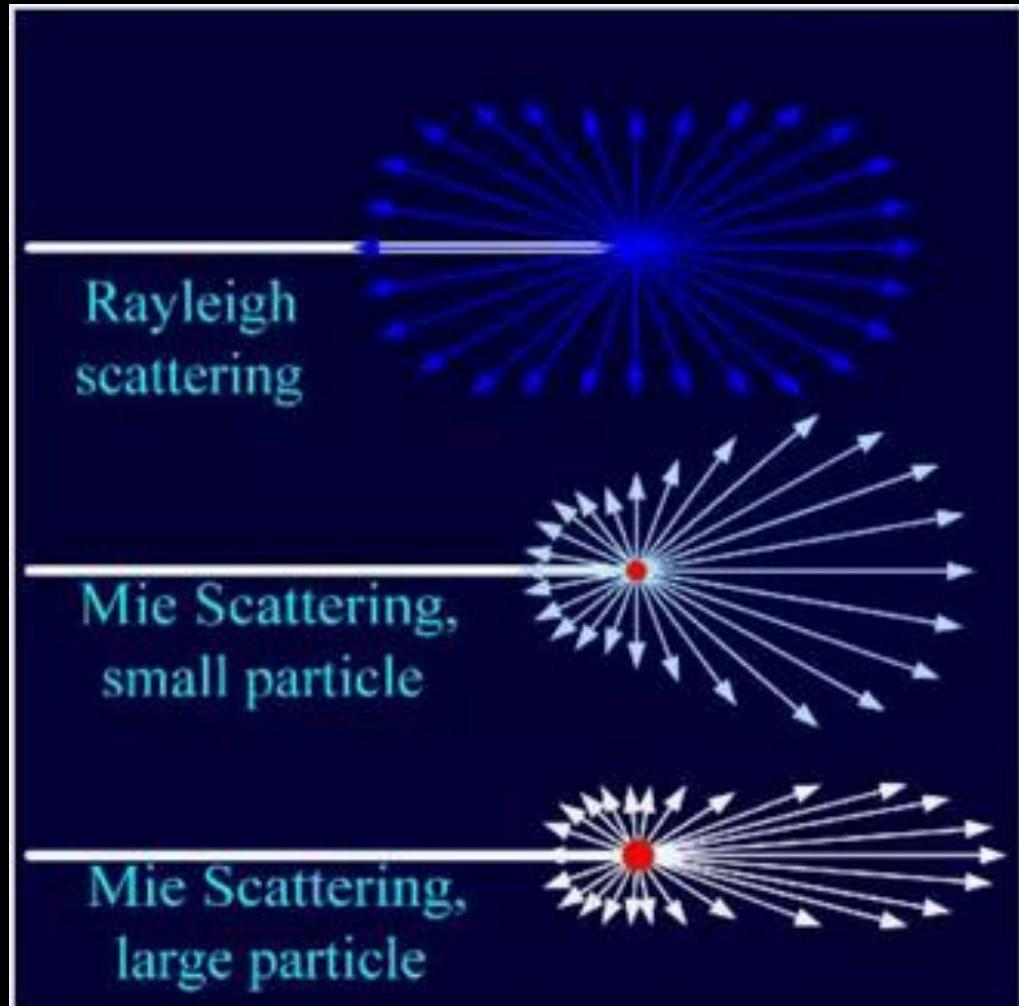
- a.  Gas molecule

Source: Jensen (2005)



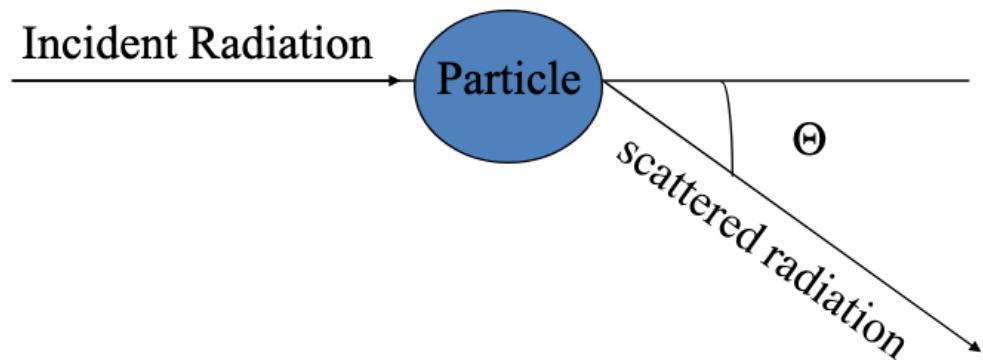
Mie Scattering

- b.  Smoke, dust



Scattering angle

The scattering angle, Θ , is the relative angle between the incident and the scattered radiation



Phase function

The phase function, $P(\Theta)$, describes the distribution of scattered radiation for one or a set of particles. It is normalized such as:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} P(\Theta) d\omega = 4\pi$$

since

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} P(\Theta) \sin(\theta) d\theta d\phi = 2\pi \int_0^{\pi} P(\theta) \sin(\theta) d\theta$$

we have

$$\int_0^{\pi} P(\theta) \sin(\theta) d\theta = 2$$

Aerosol Impact on At-sensor Reflectance (Top-of-Atmosphere)

At-sensor reflectance, Apparent Reflectance and Top-of-Atmosphere (TOA) Reflectance imply the same quantity

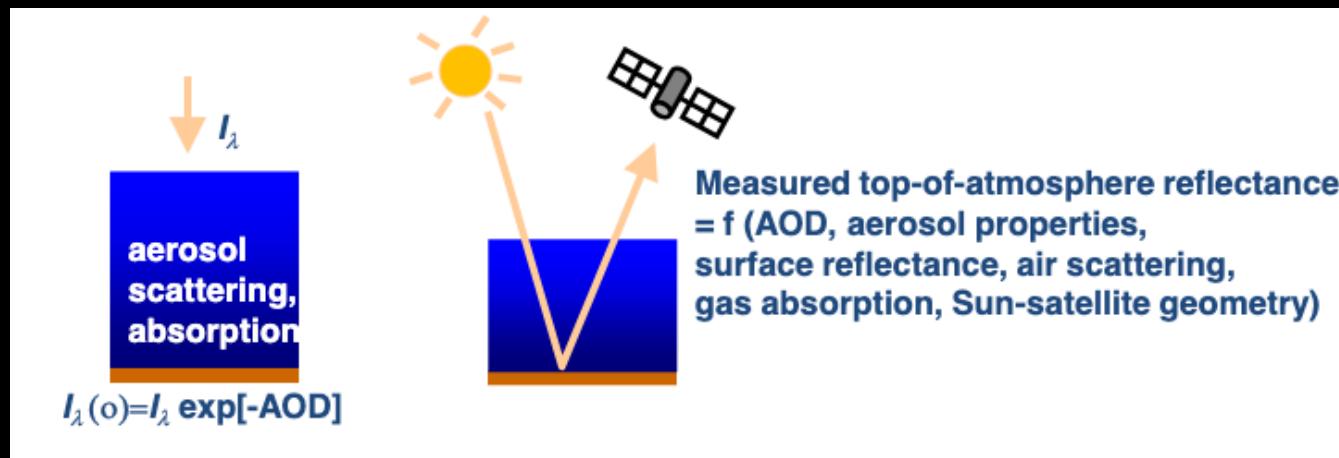
California fire plumes



Pollution off U.S. east coast



Dust off West Africa

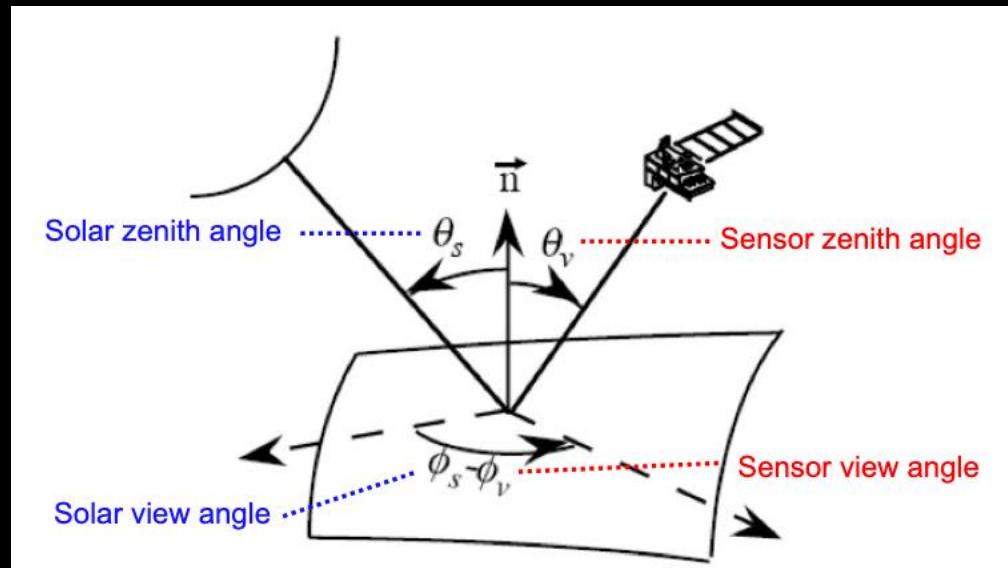


Over which surface (ocean, vegetation, desert) are aerosols most easily detectable??

Principle of Aerosol Remote Sensing

$$R(\mu, \mu_0, \phi) = \frac{\pi I(\mu, \mu_0, \phi)}{\mu_0 F_0}$$

where R is the normalized radiance (or apparent reflectance), F_0 is the extraterrestrial solar flux, I is the radiance at the top of the atmosphere, μ is the cosine of the view zenith angle, μ_0 is the cosine of the solar zenith angle, and ϕ is the relative azimuth angle between the direction of propagation of scattered radiation and the incident solar direction

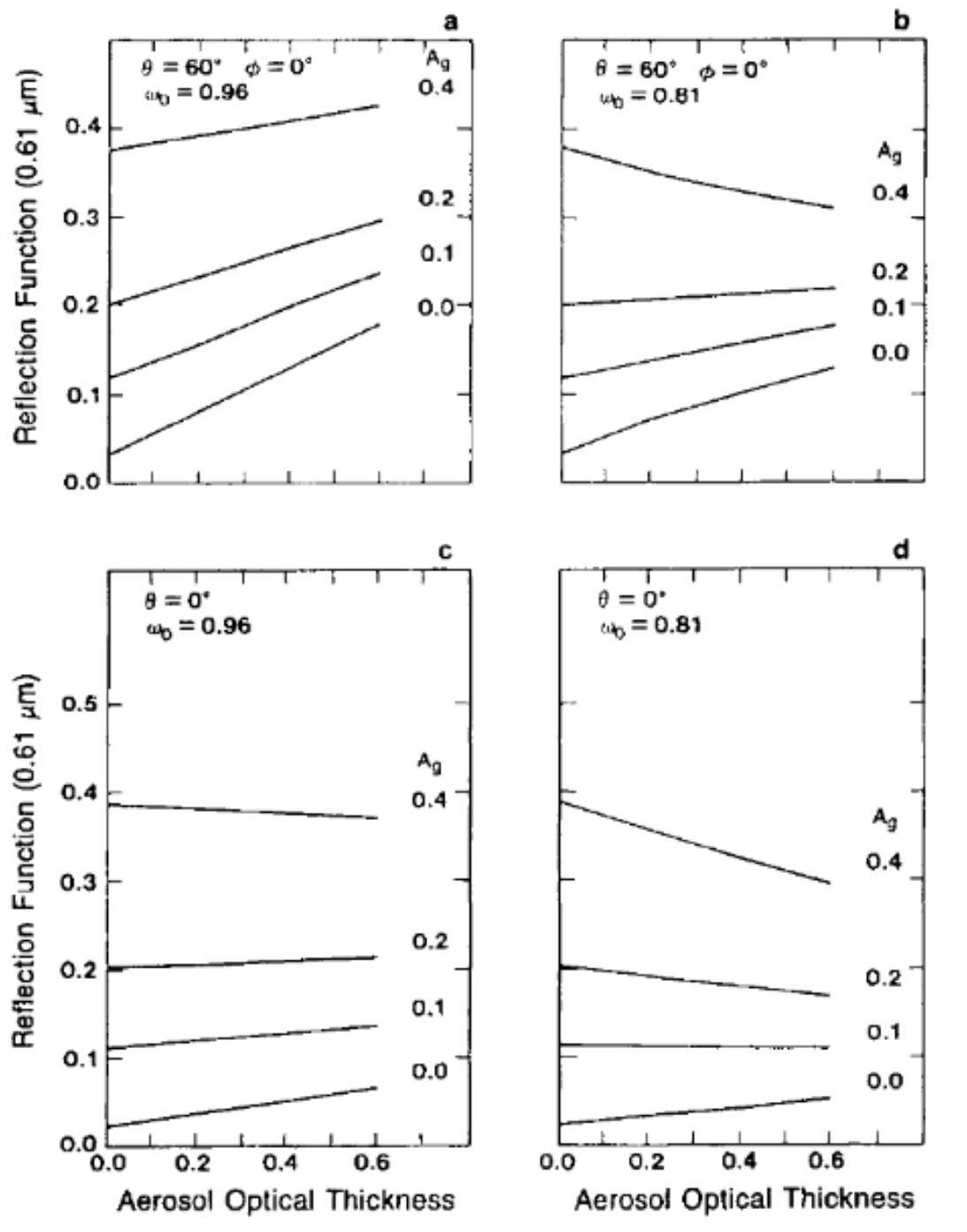


$$R(\mu, \mu_0, \phi) = R_0(\mu, \mu_0, \phi) + \frac{T A_s}{1 - s A_s}$$

Purely Atmosphere Surface Contribution

where $R_0(\mu, \mu_0, \phi)$ represents the path radiance, T is the transmission function describing the atmospheric effect on upward and downward radiance, A_s is the Lambertian reflectance, and s is the spherical albedo of the atmosphere for illumination from below.

' s ' is the fraction of the upward flux reflected back to the surface by the atmosphere



Changes in TOA Reflectance as a function of aerosol absorption and surface reflectance

changes in Top-of-Atmosphere Reflectance (Reflection Function), on y-axis, as a function of Aerosol Optical Thickness (or depth), on x- axis, as well as due to changes in surface reflectance (A_g).

The reflection function as a function of aerosol optical thickness and surface reflectance. The changing slope of each line depends on variations in surface reflectance.

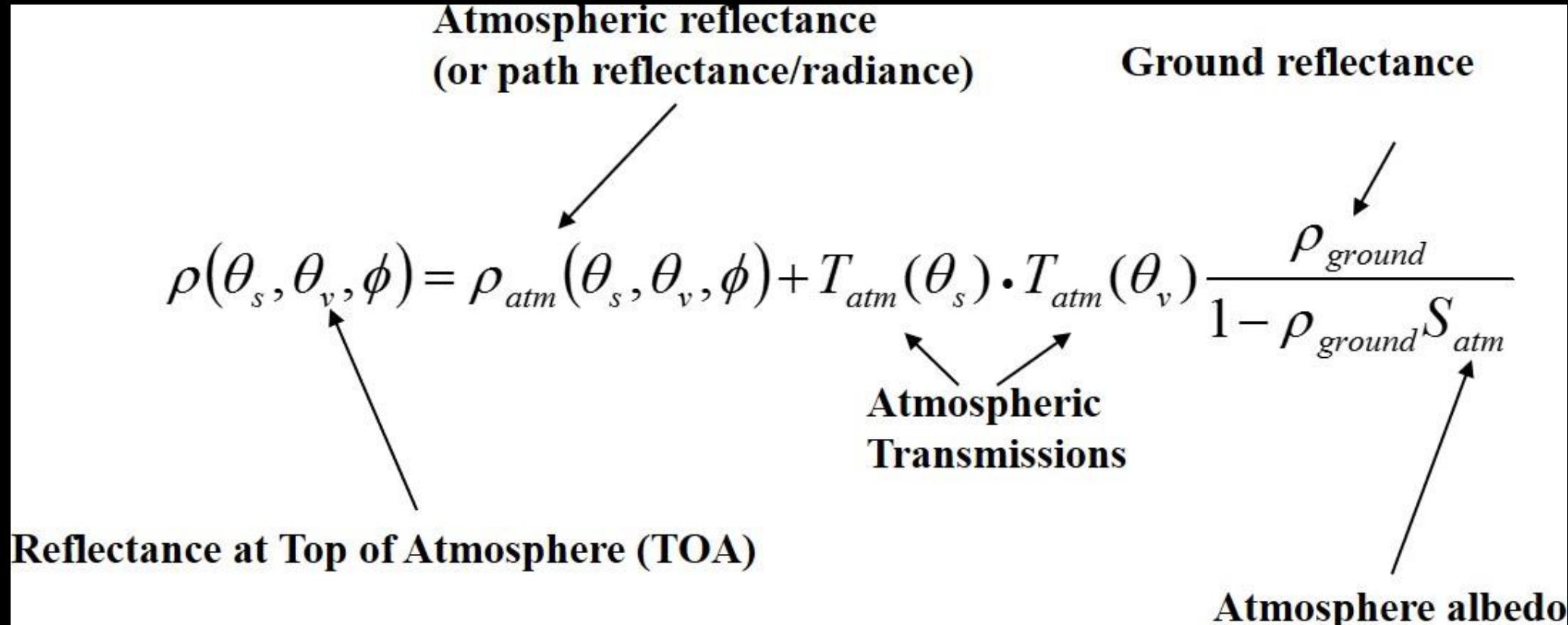
Principle of Aerosol Remote Sensing From Space

Two Key assumptions:

- Reliable Atmospheric Aerosol Model / Type
 - ...AOD, SSA, Phase Function, etc.
- Parameterization of Surface Characteristics
 - ... Primarily Surface Reflectance

Transfer of Radiation through the atmosphere

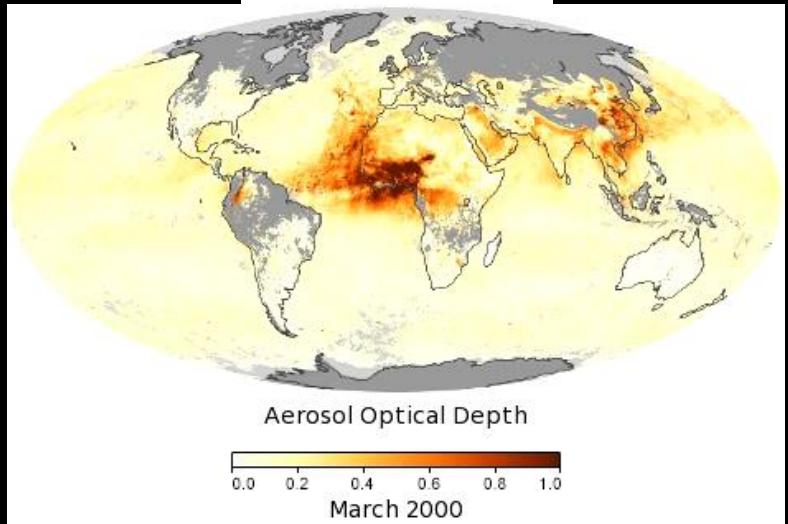
(Successive Orders of Scattering method, Vermote et al. 2002, 6S radiative transfer code)



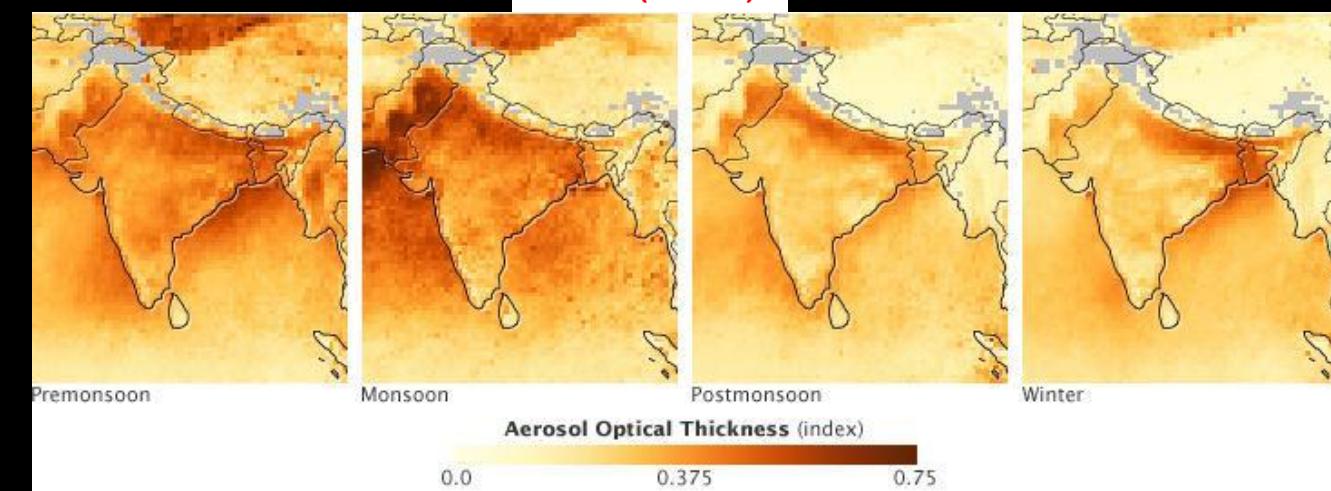
aerosol inversion

Aerosol Monitoring From Satellite

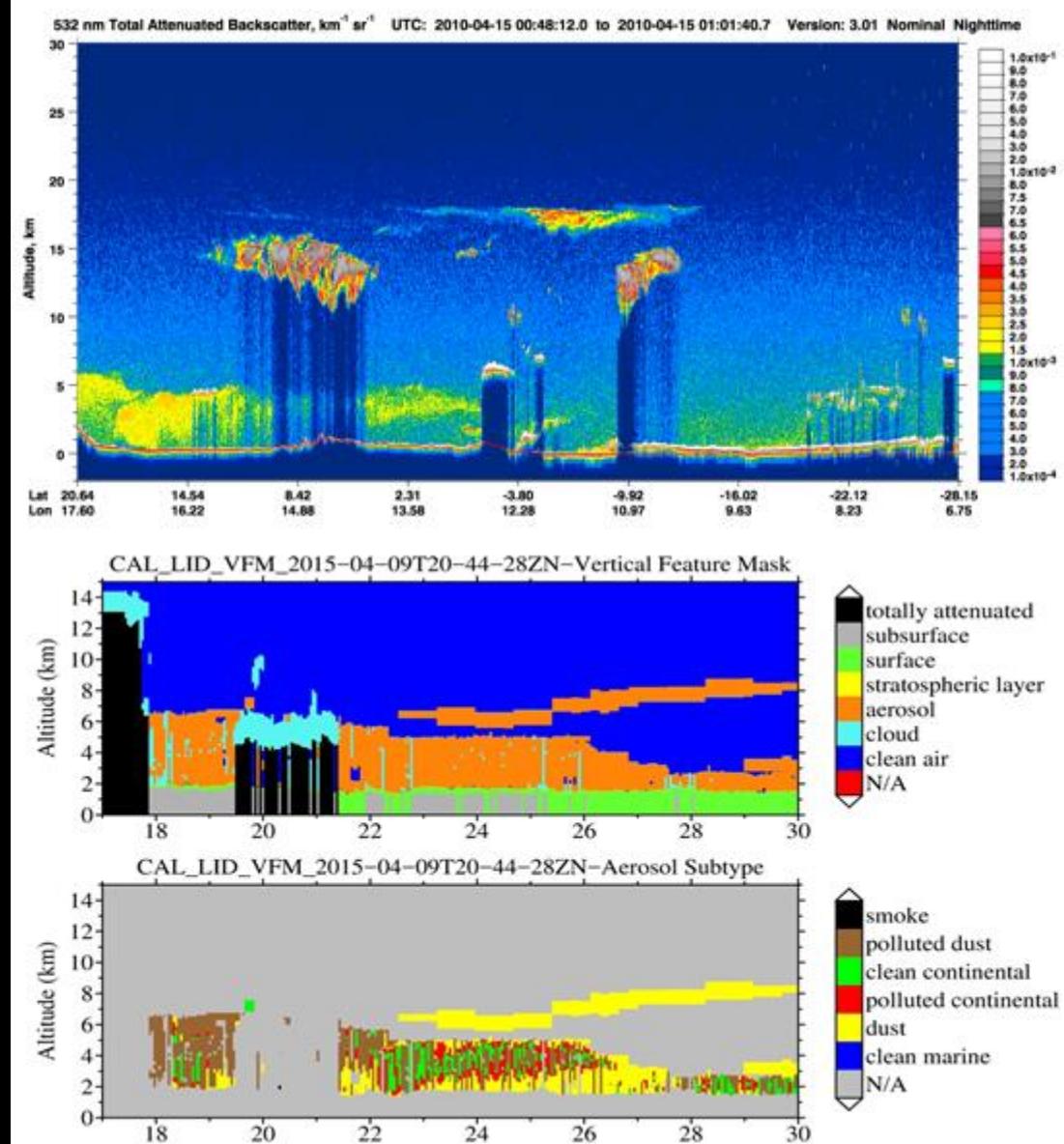
MODIS (Terra)



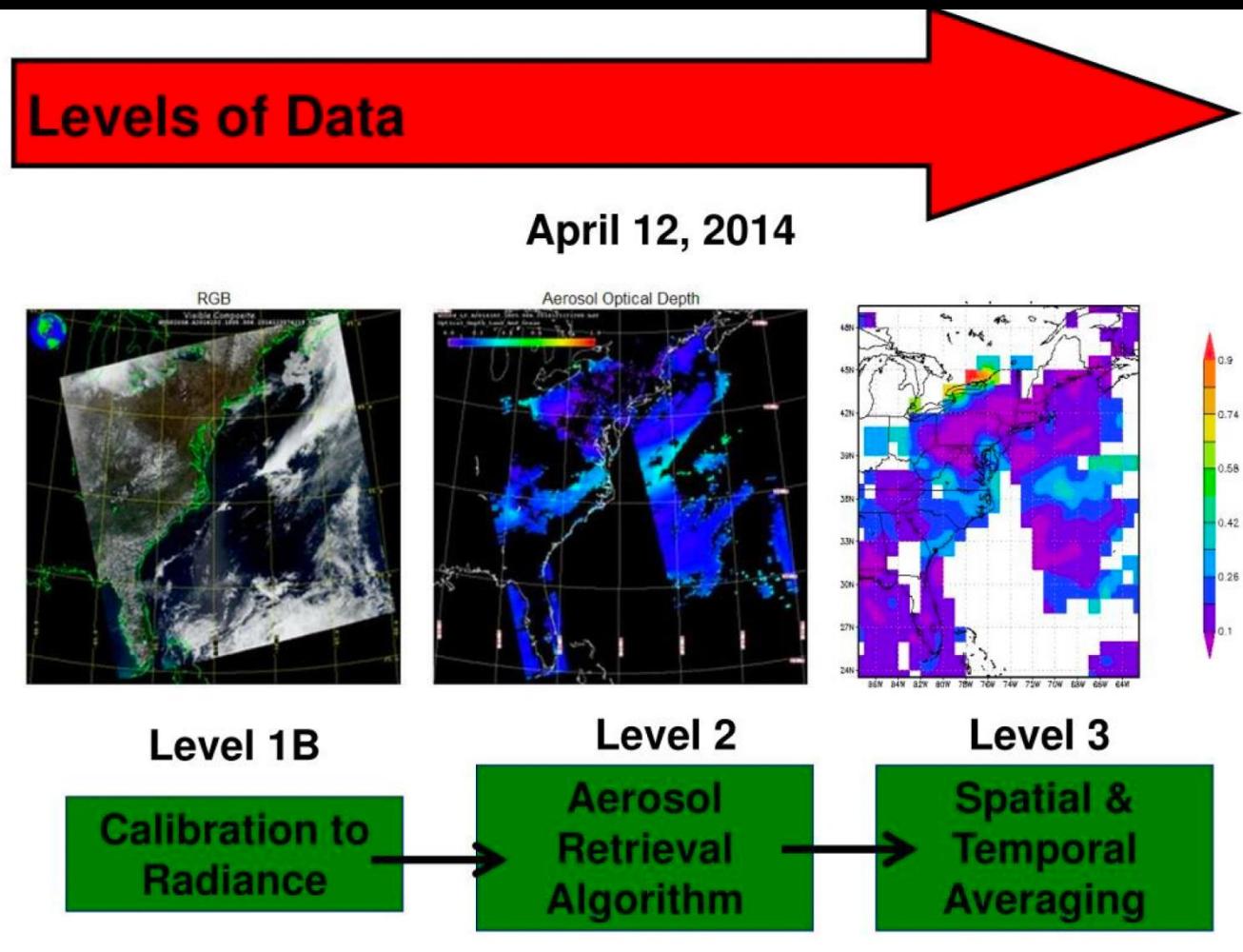
MISR (Terra)



CALIOP (CALIPSO)



Levels of Satellite Data Product



Data Product Hierarchy

- Level 1 Products - Raw data with and without applied calibration.
- **NO AEROSOL DATA**
- ↓
- Level 2 Products - Geophysical Products
- **AEROSOL DATA**
- ↓
- Level 3 Products - Globally gridded geophysical products
- **AEROSOL DATA**

Satellite Products for Aerosol

- Aerosol optical depth – [MODIS](#), [MISR](#), [VIIRS](#), [TROPOMI](#), [SPEXone](#)
- Angstrom exponent – [MODIS](#), [VIIRS](#), [SPEXone](#)
- UV aerosol index- [OMI](#), [TROPOMI](#), [SPEXone](#)
- Single scattering albedo- [OMI](#), [TROPOMI](#), [SPEXone](#)
- Aerosol layer height – [TROPOMI](#), [CALIPSO](#), [SPEXone](#), [EarthCARE](#)
- Vertical profile of aerosol backscatter and extinction coefficient – [CALIPSO](#), [EarthCARE](#)

Derived Products

- Refractive Indices (real + imaginary) - [SPEXone](#)
- size distributions – [SPEXone](#), [CALIPSO](#), [EarthCARE](#)
- Cloud condensation nuclei - [SPEXone](#), [CALIPSO](#), [EarthCARE](#)

The **extinction coefficient** (b_{ext}) represents the sum of the extinctions from gases and particles, each of which can in turn be divided into extinction due to absorption or scattering.

$$b_{\text{ext}} = b_{\text{gas}} + b_{\text{particles}} \text{ (extinction due to gases and particles)}$$

$$b_{\text{ext}} = b_{\text{abs}} + b_{\text{scatt}} \text{ (extinction refers to attenuation of light due to absorption and scattering)}$$

b_{abs} (gases) = Beer's Law absorption

b_{scatt} (gases) = Rayleigh Scattering

b_{abs} (particles) = Usually < 10% of extinction

b_{scatt} (particles) = Mie Scattering = (b_{sp})

Aerosol optical depth (AOD), τ is a measure of the extinction caused by scattering and absorption, where 'z' is the altitude (typically z ranges from surface to top of atmosphere):

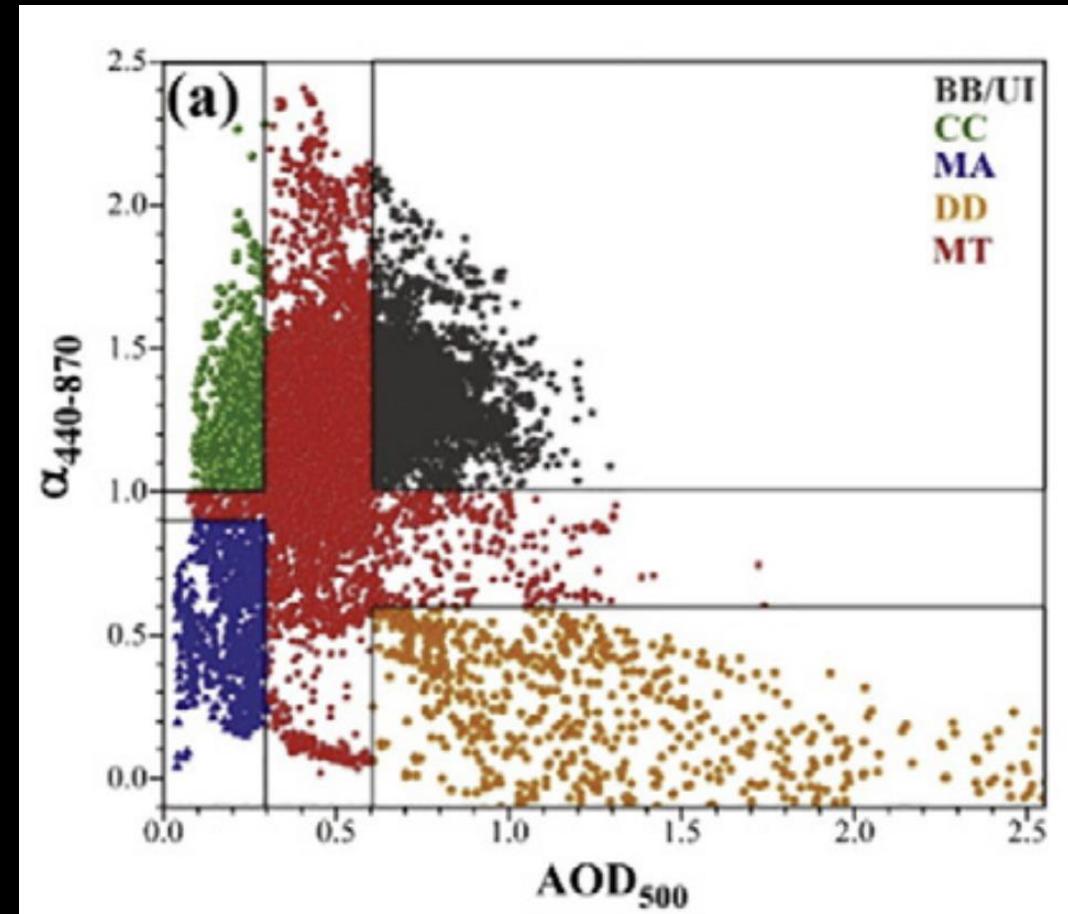
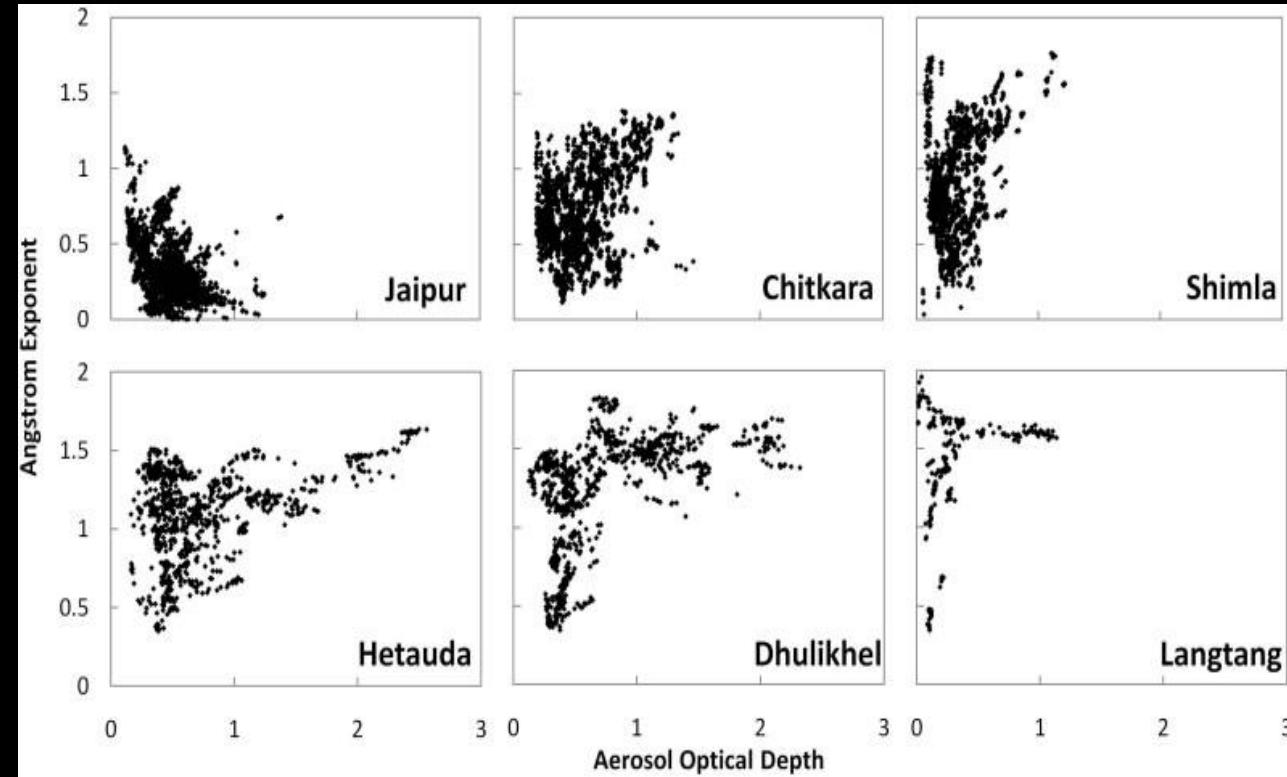
$$\tau = \int b_{\text{ext}}(z) dz \text{ (unitless)}$$

AOD is unitless. The integral is from surface to top of atmosphere.

Angström exponent, α , is a measure of the size distribution, describes the dependency of the aerosol optical thickness on wavelength. For urban aerosols (fine particles) $\alpha > 1.0$, for dust storms (coarse particles) $\alpha << 1.0$. (λ_0 is shorter wavelength while λ is longer wavelength)

$$\frac{\tau_\lambda}{\tau_{\lambda_0}} = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0} \right)^{-\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = - \frac{\ln \frac{\tau_\lambda}{\tau_{\lambda_0}}}{\ln \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0}}$$



Single scattering albedo, ω , is a measure of the fraction of aerosol extinction caused by scattering:

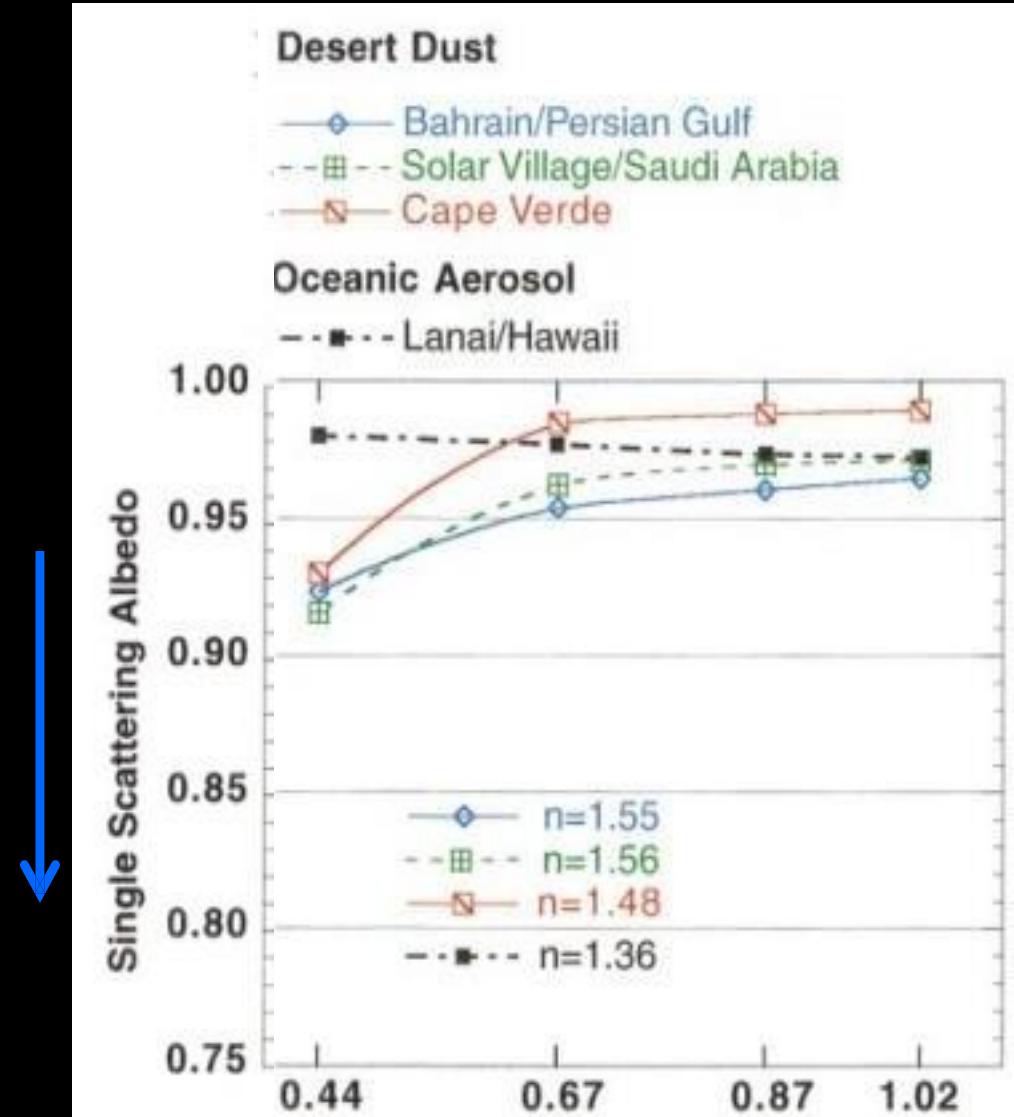
$$\omega = b_{\text{scatt}} / (b_{\text{scatt}} + b_{\text{abs}})$$

b_{scatt} is scattering coefficient

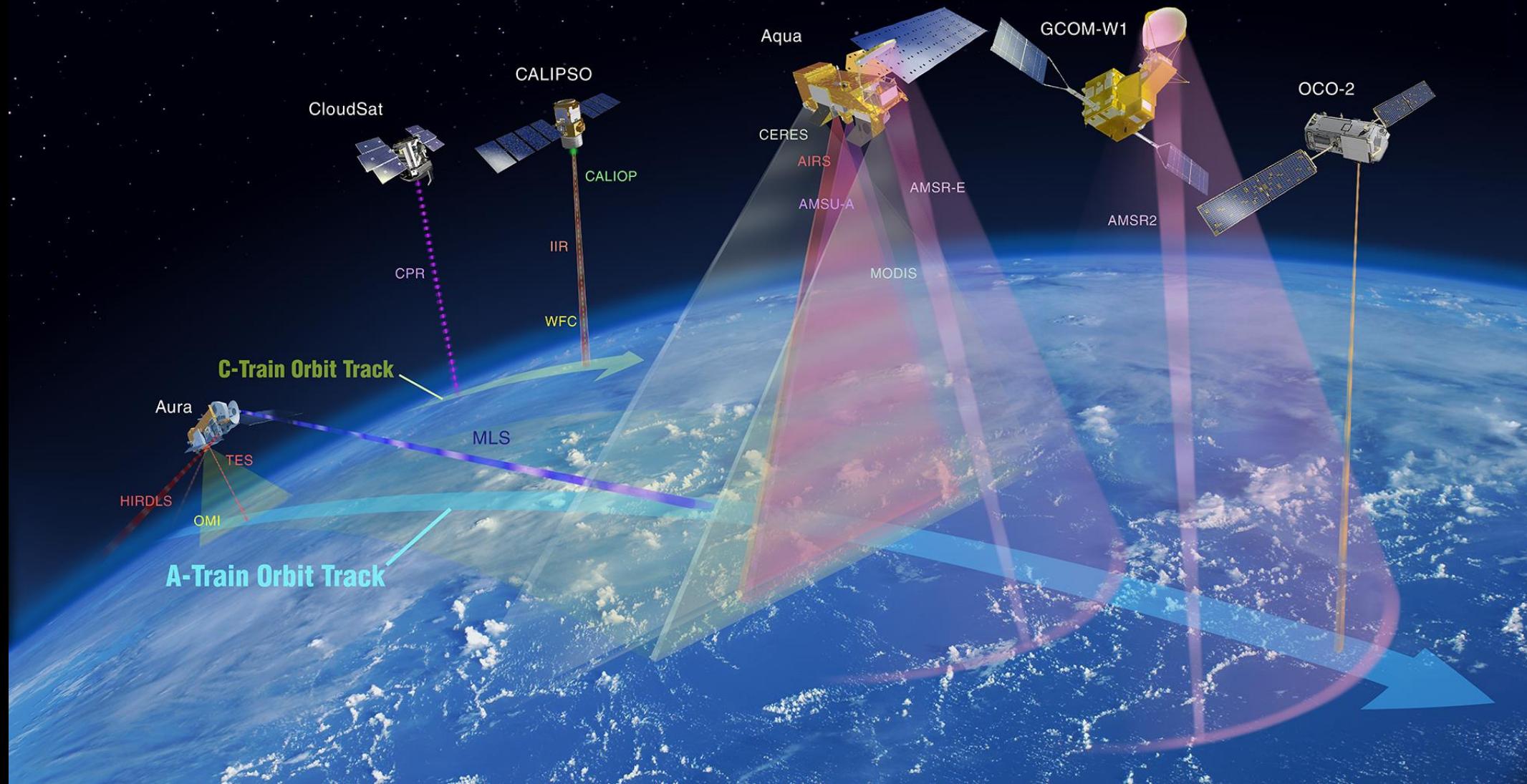
b_{abs} is absorption coefficient

Single Scattering Albedo (SSA) value of aerosols ranges from 0 to 1. SSA=1 means 100% scattering aerosol (with no absorption).

More Light-absorbing aerosol



The Afternoon Constellation



MODIS

Spatial resolution

10 km
3 km

Aerosol products

- aerosol optical depth
- Angstrom exponent
- aerosol types

VIIRS

Algorithms

- Dark target aod
- Deep blue aod
- Ocean aod

6 km

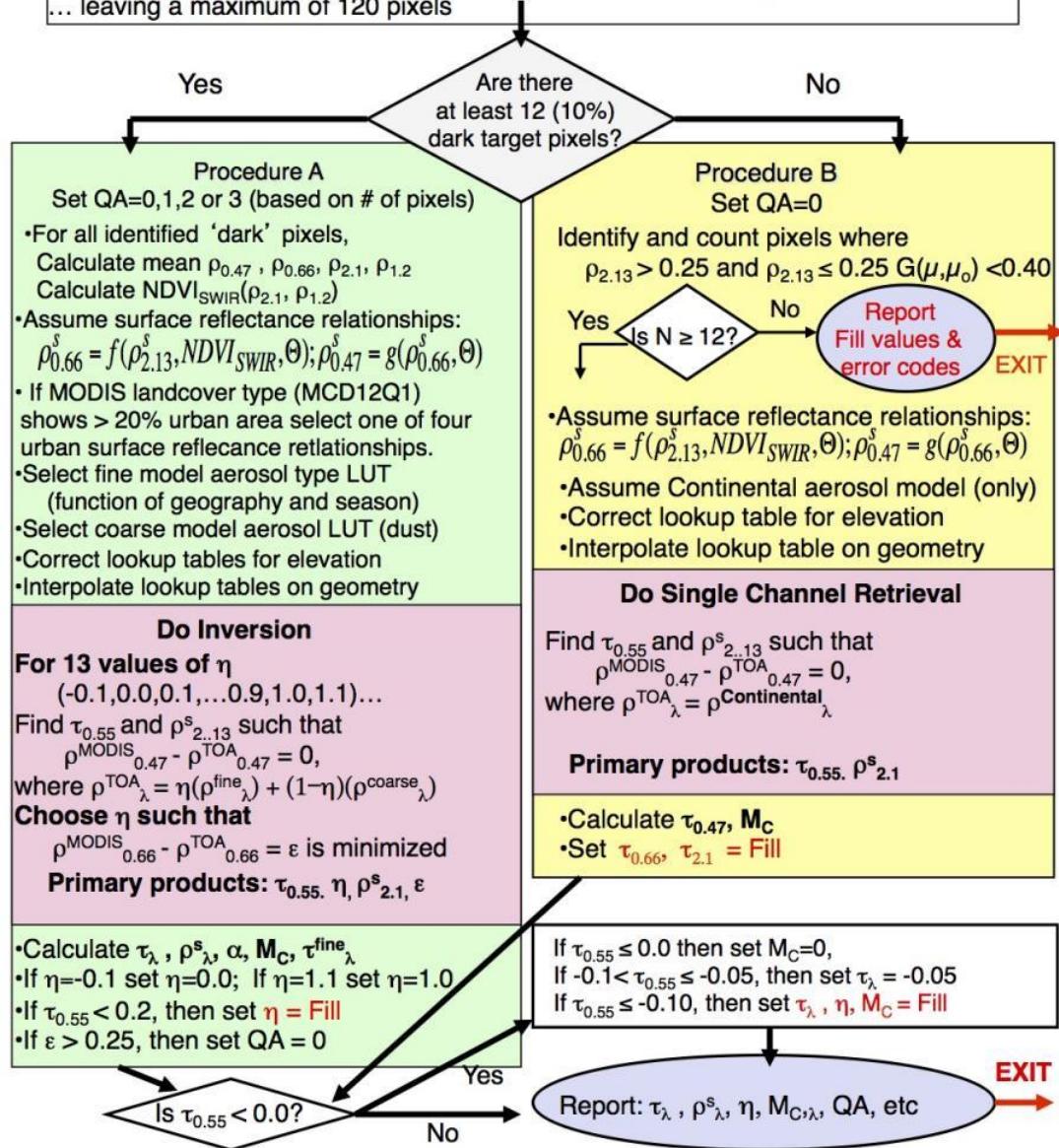
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MODIS Over Land Algorithm

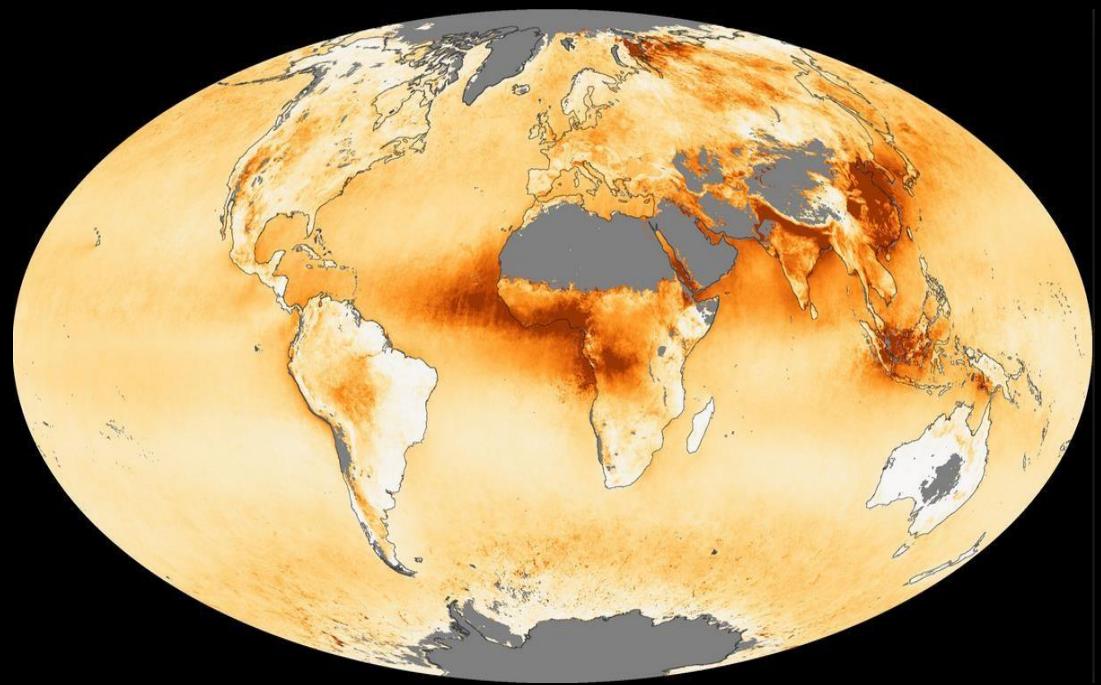
All procedures applied to individual boxes of 20 x 20 pixels at 500 m resolution (10 km at nadir)

- Ensure angles and reflectance values are valid. If not: **report Fill values and EXIT**
- Identify and mask (discard) all water, cloudy and snow/ice pixels.
- Identify “dark target pixels” that have $0.01 \leq \rho_{2.13} \leq 0.25$
- Discard brightest 50% and darkest 20% of pixels defined with $\rho_{0.66}$... leaving a maximum of 120 pixels



MODIS Dark Target AOD

Aerosol retrieval algorithm is a complex inversion scheme where assumptions are made in simulating satellite observations with advance radiative transfer calculations to retrieve atmospheric aerosol properties



In the Dark-Target retrieval algorithm, aerosols are retrieved over dark surfaces (vegetation, ocean), resulting in gaps over bright surfaces (deserts, above clouds and snow)

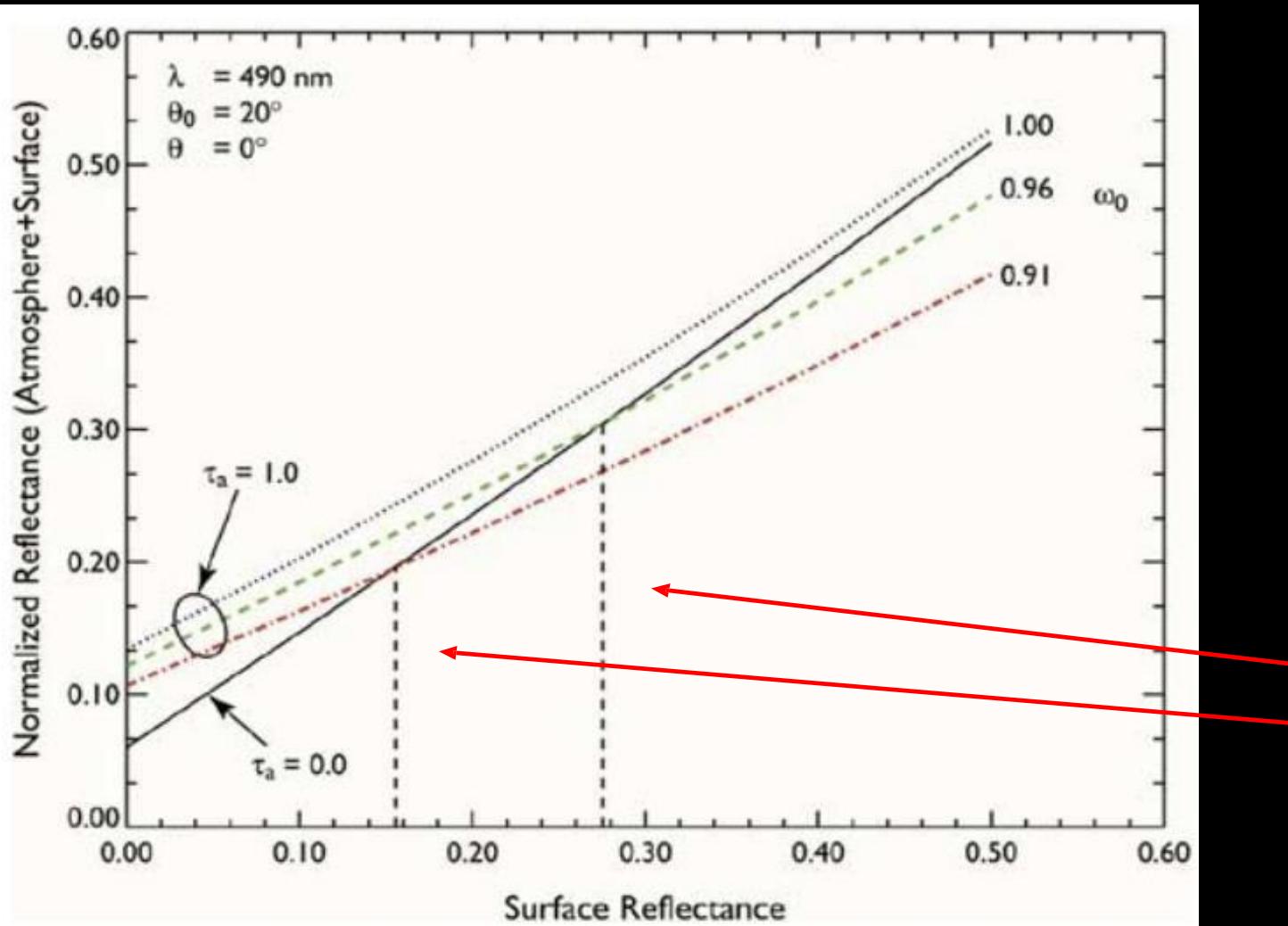


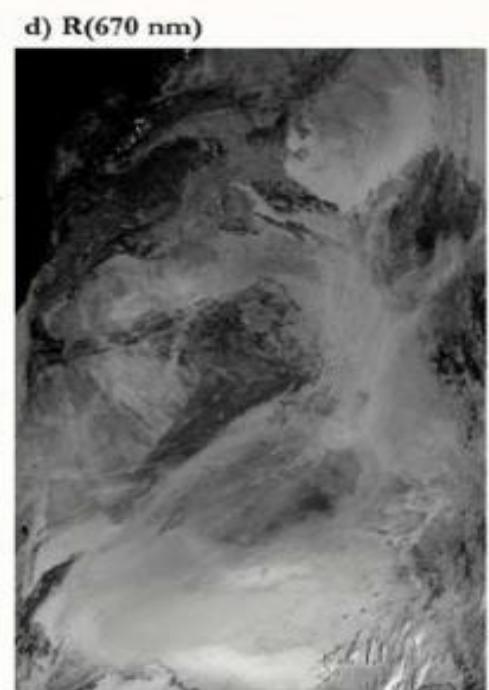
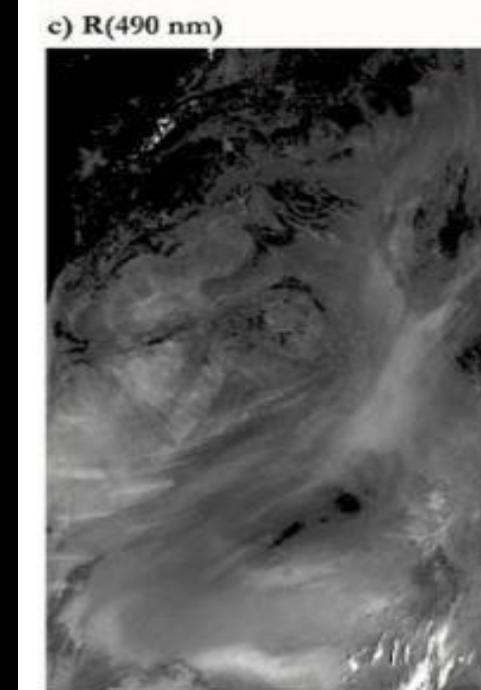
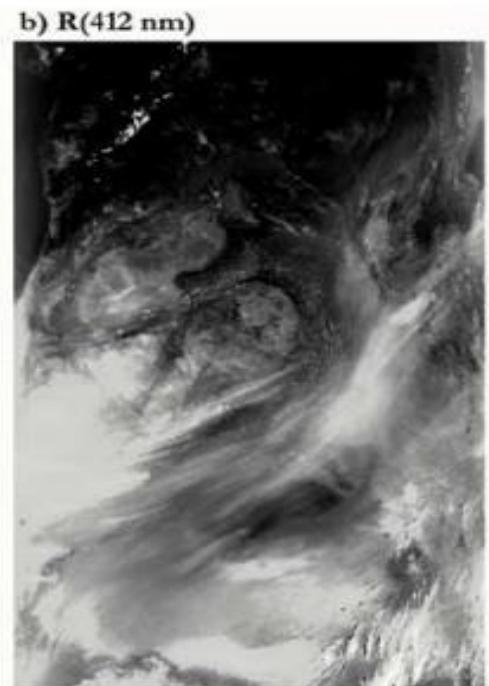
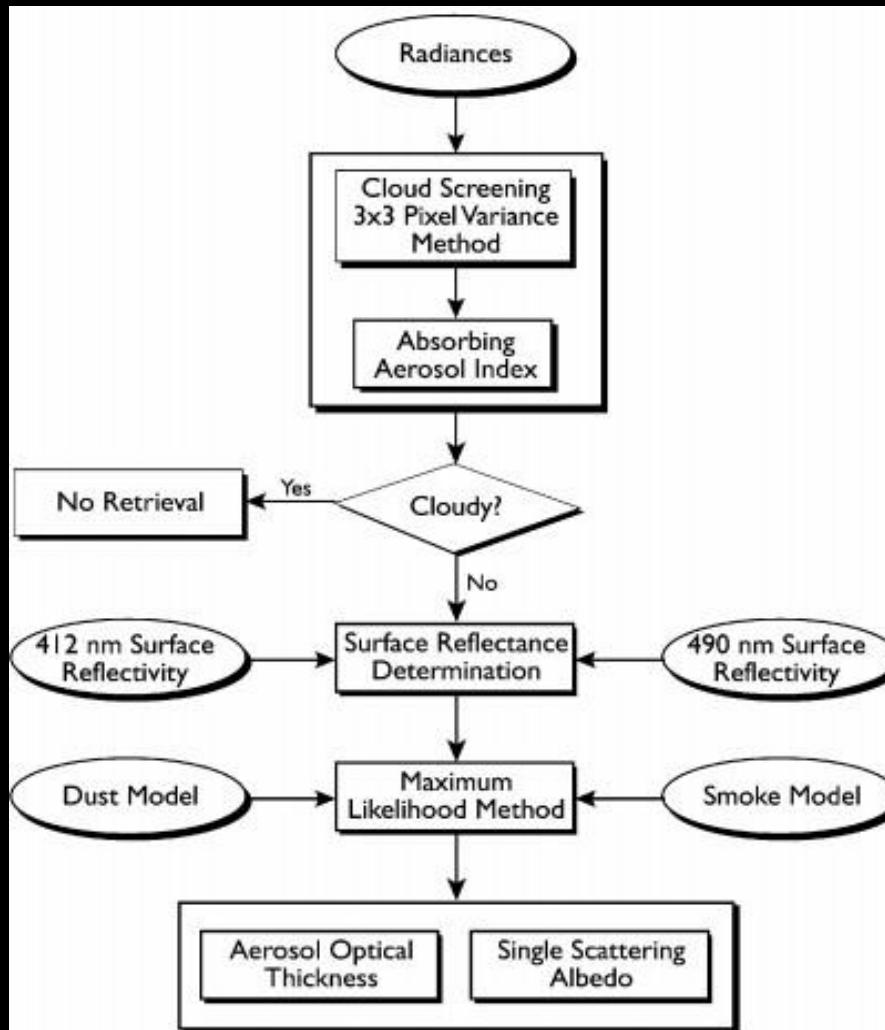
Fig. 1. Simulated apparent reflectance (atmosphere + surface) at the top of the atmosphere at 490 nm, as a function of surface reflectance for various values of the aerosol optical thickness τ_a and single-scattering albedo ω_0 . The black solid line represents the apparent reflectance without aerosol, and the black dotted, green, and red lines represent the apparent reflectance with $\tau_a = 1.0$. The vertical lines denote the critical values of surface reflectance where the presence of aerosol cannot be detected by satellite for selected values of ω_0 .

Critical Surface Reflectance

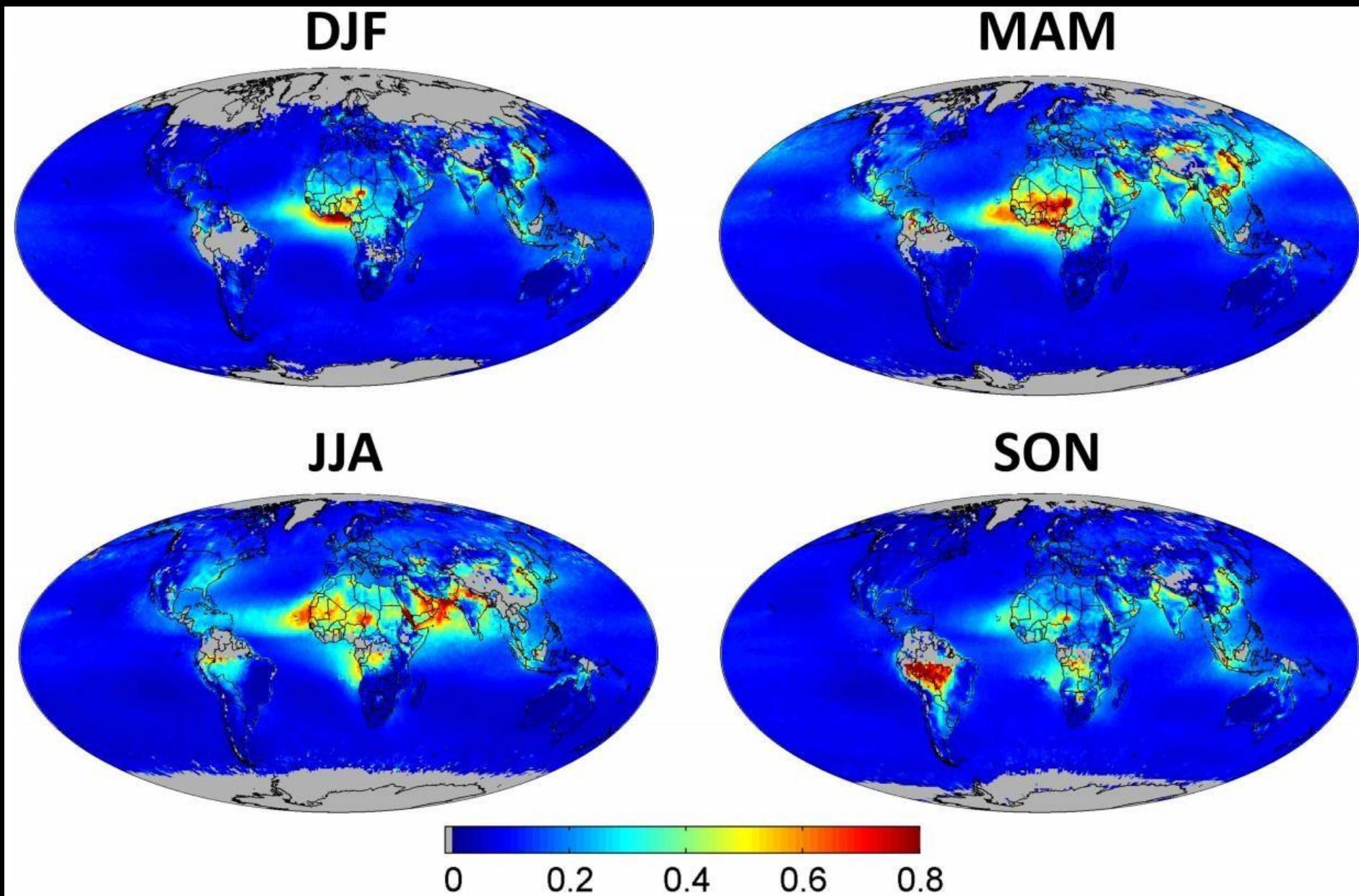
The vertical lines denote where detection of aerosols is difficult from satellite. This is because at higher surface reflectance values, it is difficult to distinguish between the underlying surface and overlying aerosol, from TOA.

MODIS Deep Blue Aerosol Algorithm over bright desert surfaces:

- Instead of using reflectance at 490nm and 670nm, the deep blue algorithm uses the 412nm band where desert surface appears darker. As a result, it is easier to detect aerosols over desert at deep blue band (e.g. 412nm band).



Deep Blue Aerosol Optical Depth



Access to MODIS & VIIRS aerosol product

(<https://ladsweb.modaps.eosdis.nasa.gov/search/order/1>)

The screenshot shows the LAADS DAAC search interface for MODIS & VIIRS aerosol products. The interface is divided into five main tabs: PRODUCTS, TIME, LOCATION, FILES, and REVIEW & ORDER. The PRODUCTS tab is selected, showing a list of available sensors and collections. The TIME and LOCATION tabs show the date range (2023-05-01 .. 2023-05-01) and location (W: -180°, N: 90°, E: 180°, S: -90°). The FILES tab indicates no files selected. The REVIEW & ORDER tab is shown on the right.

LAADS DAAC

PRODUCTS

No products selected.

2023-05-01 .. 2023-05-01 W: -180°, N: 90°, E: 180°, S: -90° No files selected.

All Sensors

All Searchable Collections

- OLCI ESA Copernicus Sentinel-3A [2]
- SLSTR ESA Copernicus Sentinel-3A [1]
- OLCI ESA Copernicus Sentinel-3B [2]
- SLSTR ESA Copernicus Sentinel-3B [1]
- MERIS Envisat [3]

Atmosphere [34]

Aerosol [10]

- Water Vapor [2]
- Cloud Properties [4]
- Atmosphere Profiles [4]
- Cloud Mask [2]
- L2 Joint Atmosphere Product [2]
- L3 Atmosphere Product [8]
- VIIRS+CrlS Fusion [2]

Land [158]

Radiation Budget Variables [117]

- Land Surface Reflectance [22]
- Land Surface Temperature & Emissivity [18]

Aerosol

All Standard Collections

AERDB_L2_VIIRS_NOAA20
VIIRS/NOAA20 Deep Blue Aerosol L2 6-Min Swath 6 km

AERDB_L2_VIIRS_SNPP
VIIRS/SNPP Deep Blue Aerosol L2 6-Min Swath 6 km

AERDB_M3_VIIRS_NOAA20
VIIRS/NOAA20 Deep Blue Level 3 monthly aerosol data, 1x1 degree grid

AERDB_M3_VIIRS_SNPP
VIIRS/SNPP Deep Blue Level 3 monthly aerosol data, 1x1 degree grid

MOD04_3K
MODIS/Terra Aerosol 5-Min L2 Swath 3km

MOD04_L2
MODIS/Terra Aerosol 5-Min L2 Swath 10km

MYD04_3K
MODIS/Aqua Aerosol 5-Min L2 Swath 3km

MYD04_L2
MODIS/Aqua Aerosol 5-Min L2 Swath 10km

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Multi-angle Imaging Spectroradiometer (MISR)

9 view angles at Earth surface with 14-bit pushbroom cameras

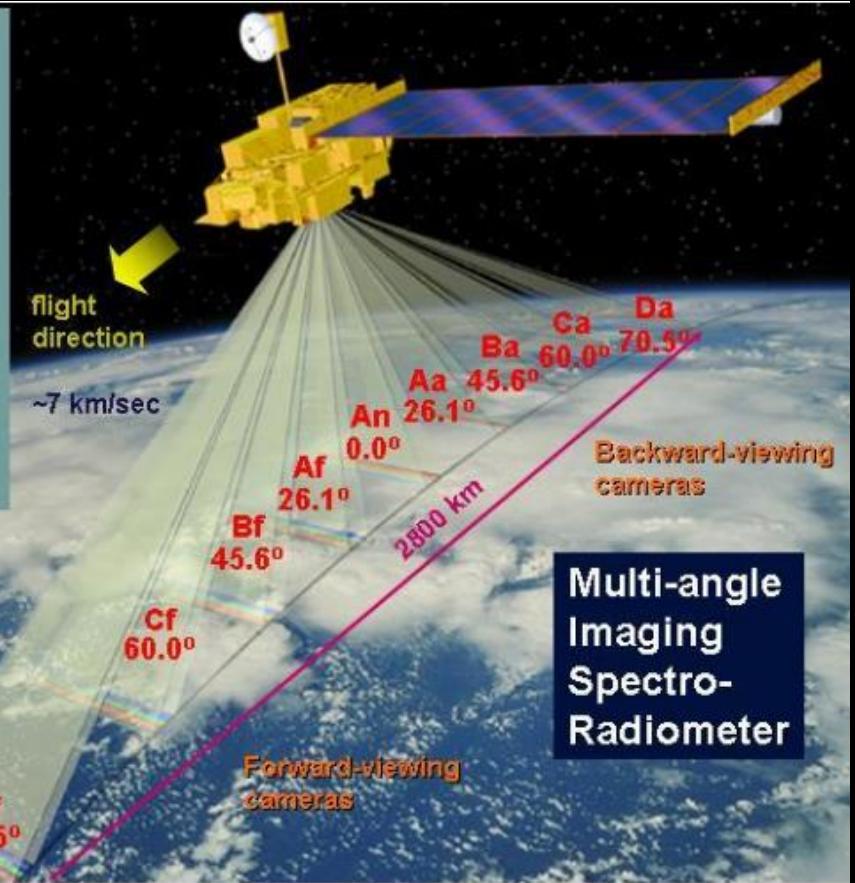
7 minutes to view each scene from all 9 angles

275 m spatial resolution per pixel

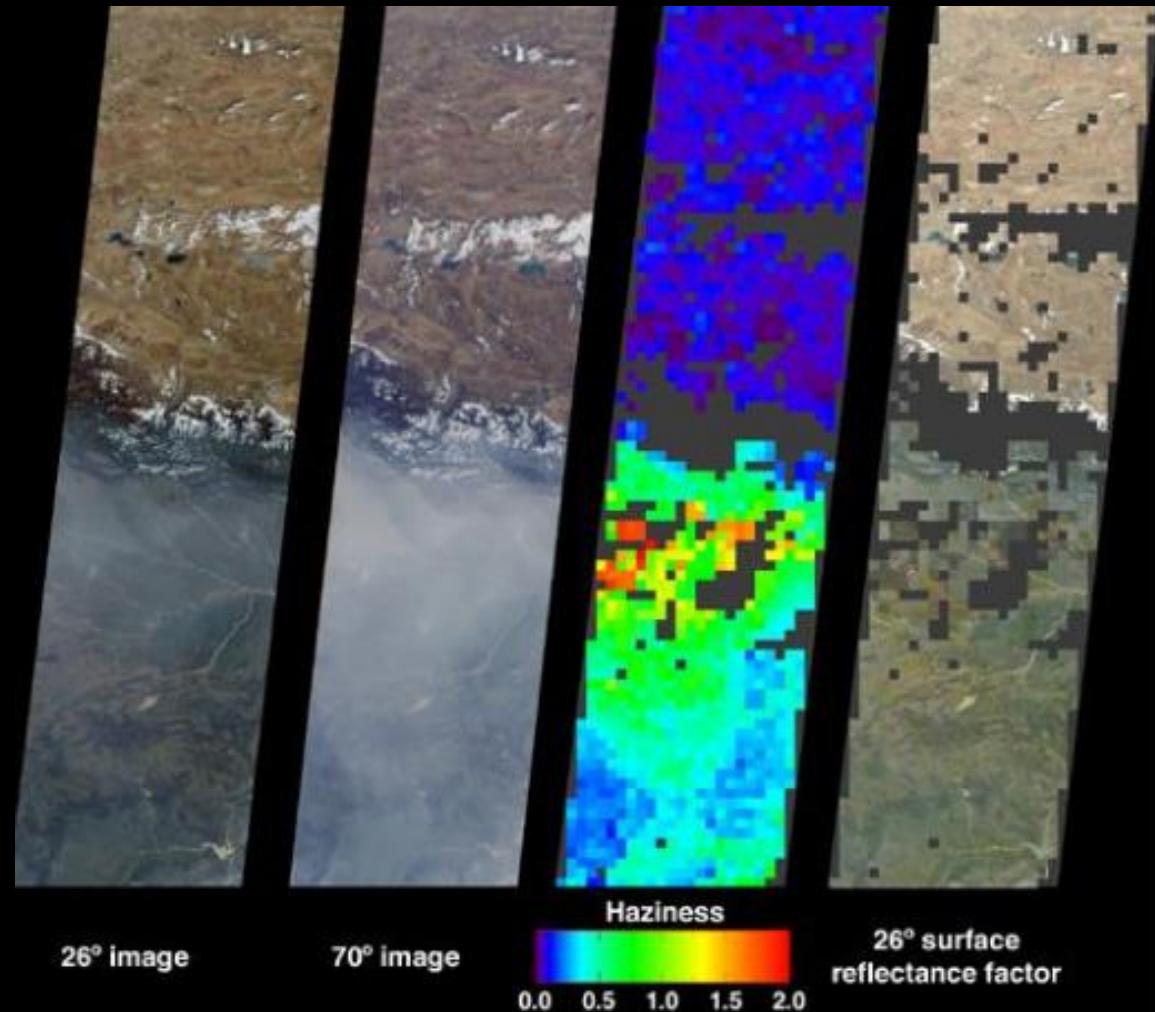
~400-km swath width

Calibrated measurements of the intensity of reflected sunlight

4 spectral bands at each angle:
446 nm \pm 21 nm
558 nm \pm 15 nm
672 nm \pm 11 nm
866 nm \pm 20 nm



Angular observations (which are not available in MODIS) makes MISR capable of providing additional information on particle size, shape and aerosol height under specific cases



The two images on left show the scene from MISR's 26-degree and 70-degree forward viewing angles, respectively. The high levels of aerosols are enhanced in the 70-degree forward image, due to the longer atmospheric path length associated with the more oblique viewing angle.

OMI

Spatial resolution

13 km x 24 km

TROPOMI

5.5 km x 3.5 km

Aerosol products

- UV aerosol optical depth
- absorbing aerosol index
- Single scattering albedo
- Aerosol layer height

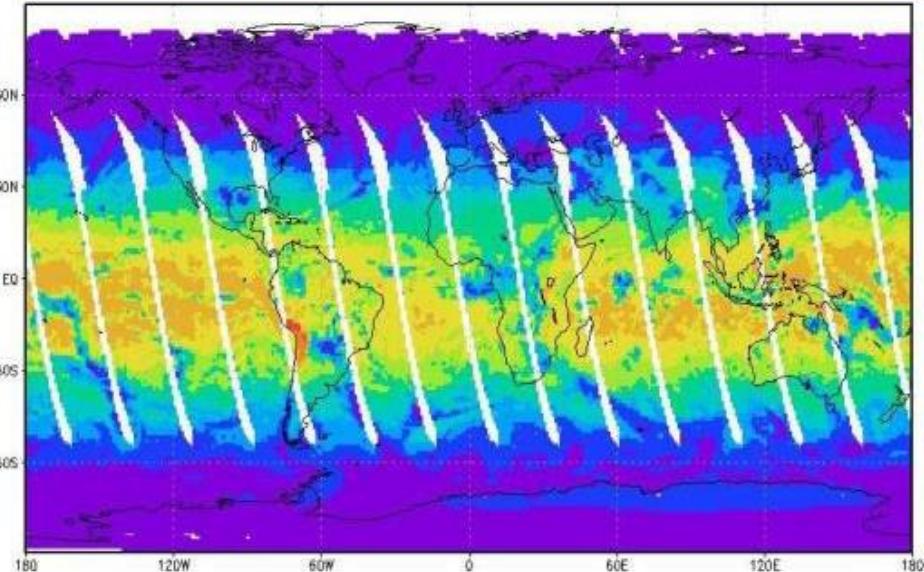
- UV aerosol optical depth
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- Aerosol layer height

Data access :

<https://search.earthdata.nasa.gov/search>

<https://s5phub.copernicus.eu/dhus/#/home>

Ozone Monitoring Instrument (OMI)



One of four sensors on the
EOS-Aura platform (OMI,
MLS, TES, HIRDLS)

uses UV channels
which are less
sensitive to
surface effects,

An international project:
Holland, USA, Finland
Launched on **07-15-04**

Instrument Characteristics

- Nadir solar backscatter spectrometer
- Spectral range 270-500 nm (resolution~1nm)
- Spatial resolution: 13X24 km footprint
- Swath width: 2600 km (global daily coverage)

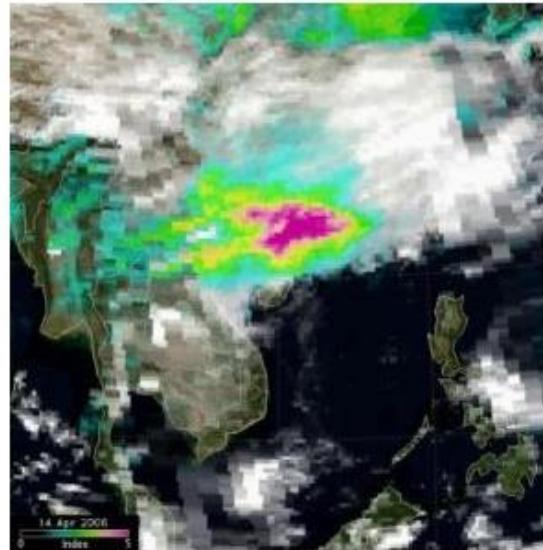
Retrieval Products

- Column Amounts
- Ozone (O_3)
- Nitrogen Dioxide (NO_2)
- Sulfur Dioxide: (SO_2)
- Others

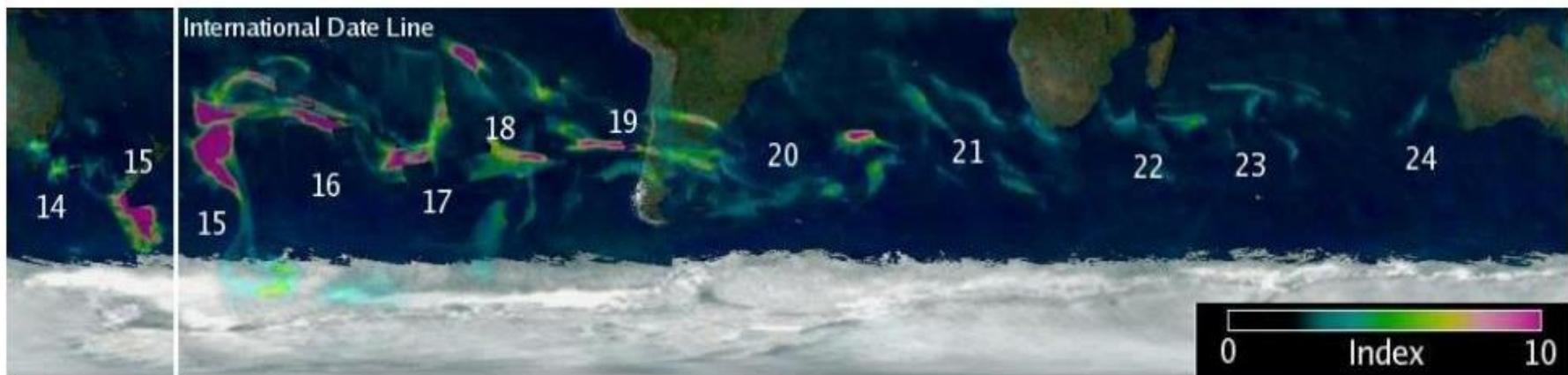
Aerosols

Applications of the Aerosol Index

- Validation tool for transport models
- Separation of carbonaceous from sulfate aerosols
- Identification of aerosols above PBL (i.e., PBL aerosols are not detectable by AI)
- Tracking of aerosol plumes above clouds and over ice/snow



Aerosols over clouds:
April 14, 2006

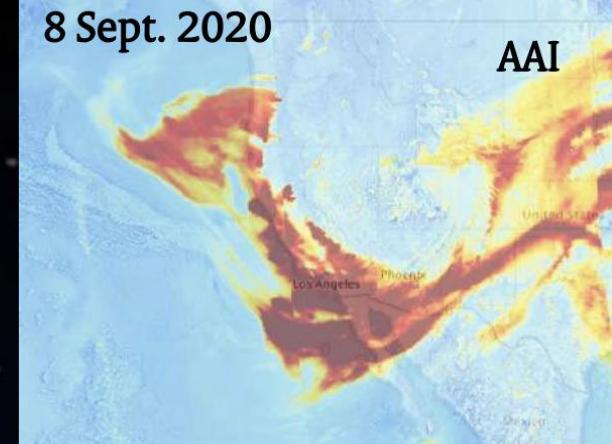


Transport around the globe of a high altitude smoke layer generated by the Australian fires in December 2006. Numbers indicate the day of the month.

Complete TROPOMI aerosol product suite:

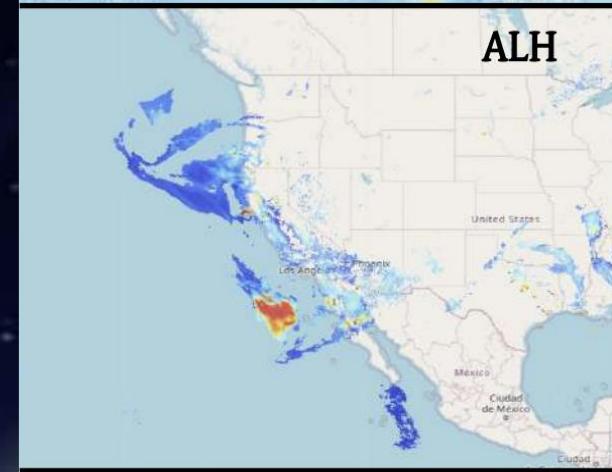
Absorbing Aerosol Index (S5P-AAI):

- Degradation corrected in V2 (D. Stein-Zweers)
- New definitions to account for cloud effects



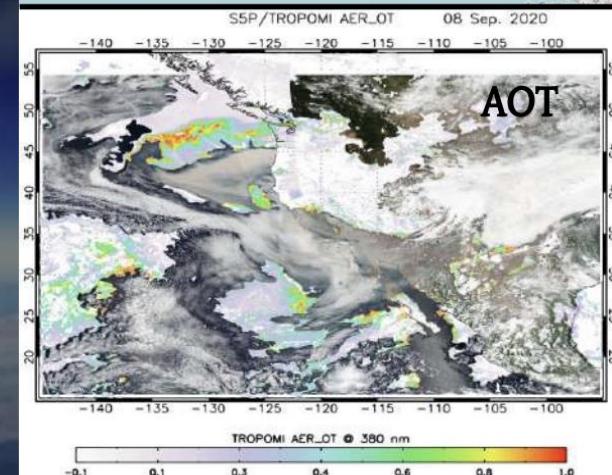
Aerosol Layer Height (S5p_ALH):

- New, fast, global operational product
- Global, based on VIIRS cloud mask
- Over land accuracy should be improved.



Aerosol Optical Thickness and Single Scattering Albedo in UV (S5p_AOT):

- Based on OMI OMAERO and OMAERUV algorithms in UV:
340, 380, 416, 440, 496 nm
- Uses S5P input (CO, AAI, LER), will be improved to include
S5P-ALH and S5P DLER
- Cloud fraction from VIIRS



All these aerosol products provide a consistent and complete view of the aerosol macrophysics and microphysics in the UV and SWIR

2018 - 06 - 08 Saharan dust

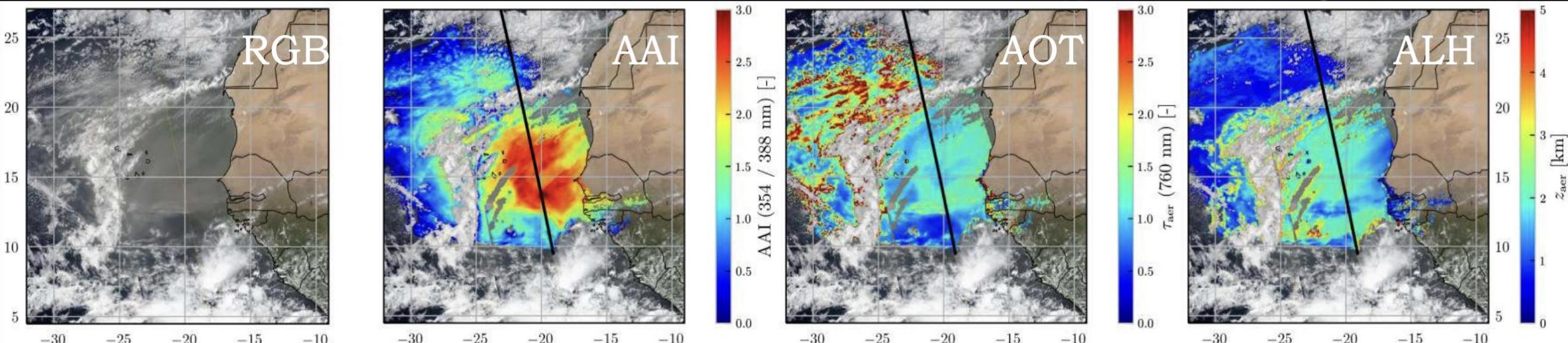


PROGRAMME OF THE
EUROPEAN UNION

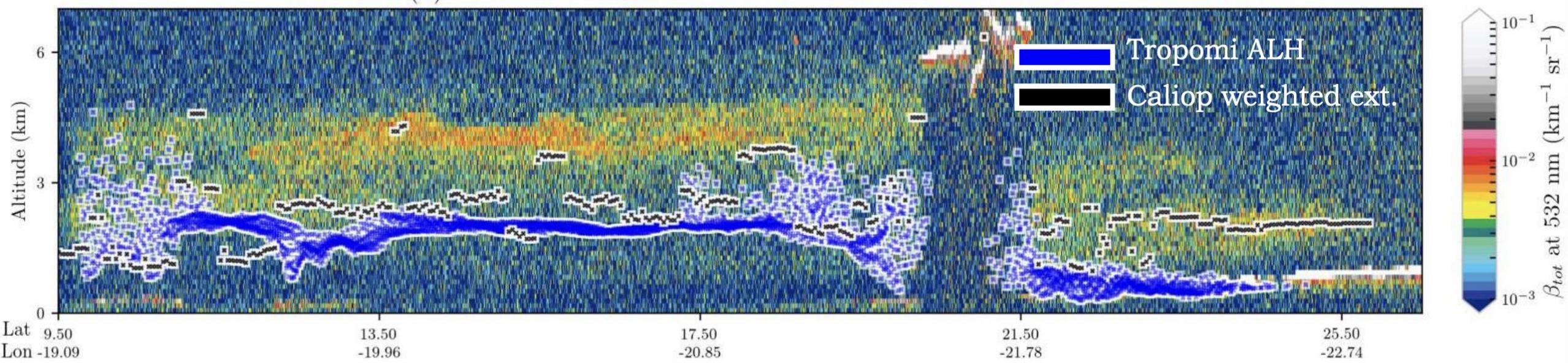
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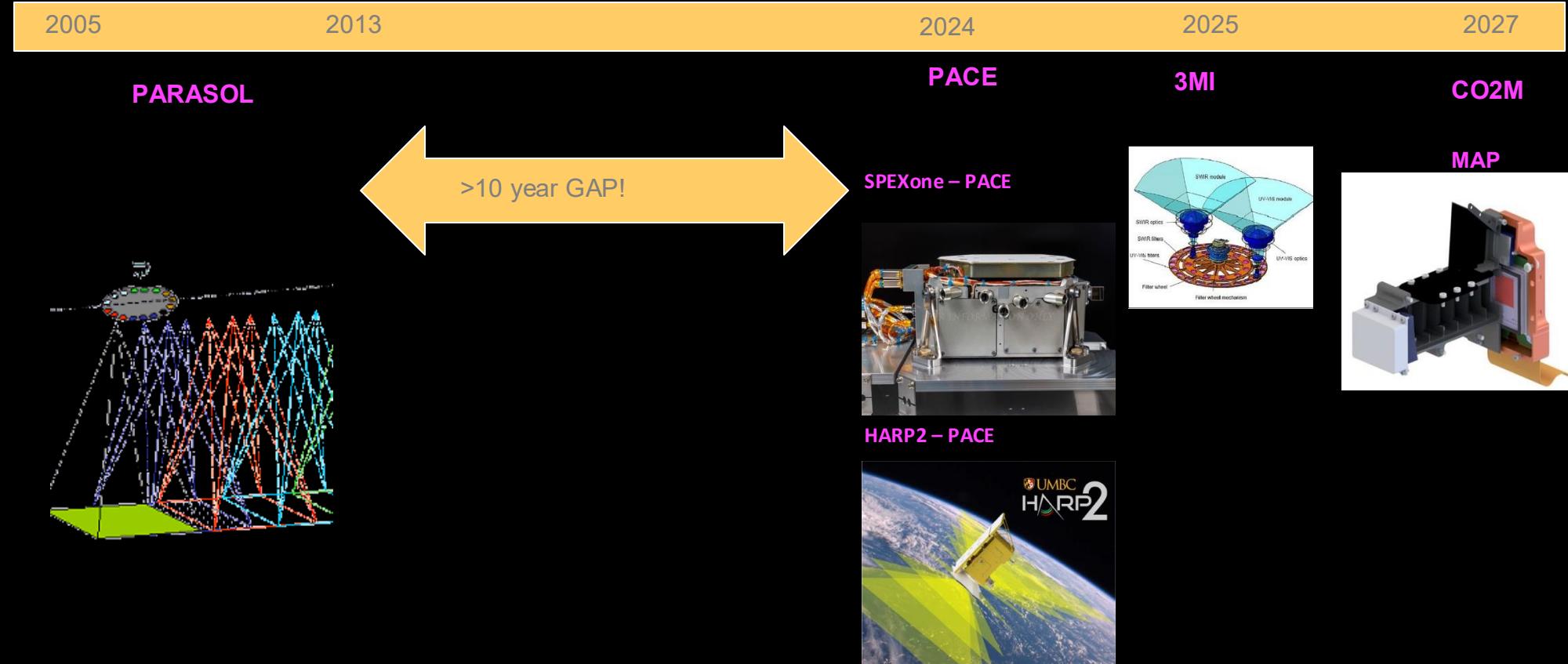


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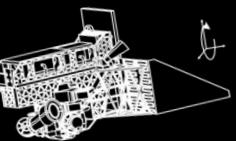
Polarimeters in Space

uses the polarization and multi-angle measurements to reduce surface effects.





Plankton, Aerosol, Cloud, ocean Ecosystem

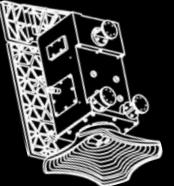


Ocean Color Imager (OCI)

UV-NIR hyperspectral: 340-890 nm in 2.5 nm steps
7 SWIR bands: 940-2260 nm
1-2 day coverage | $\pm 20^\circ$ tilt | 1km resolution



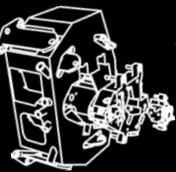
UMBC



Hyper angular Rainbow Polarimeter (HARP2)

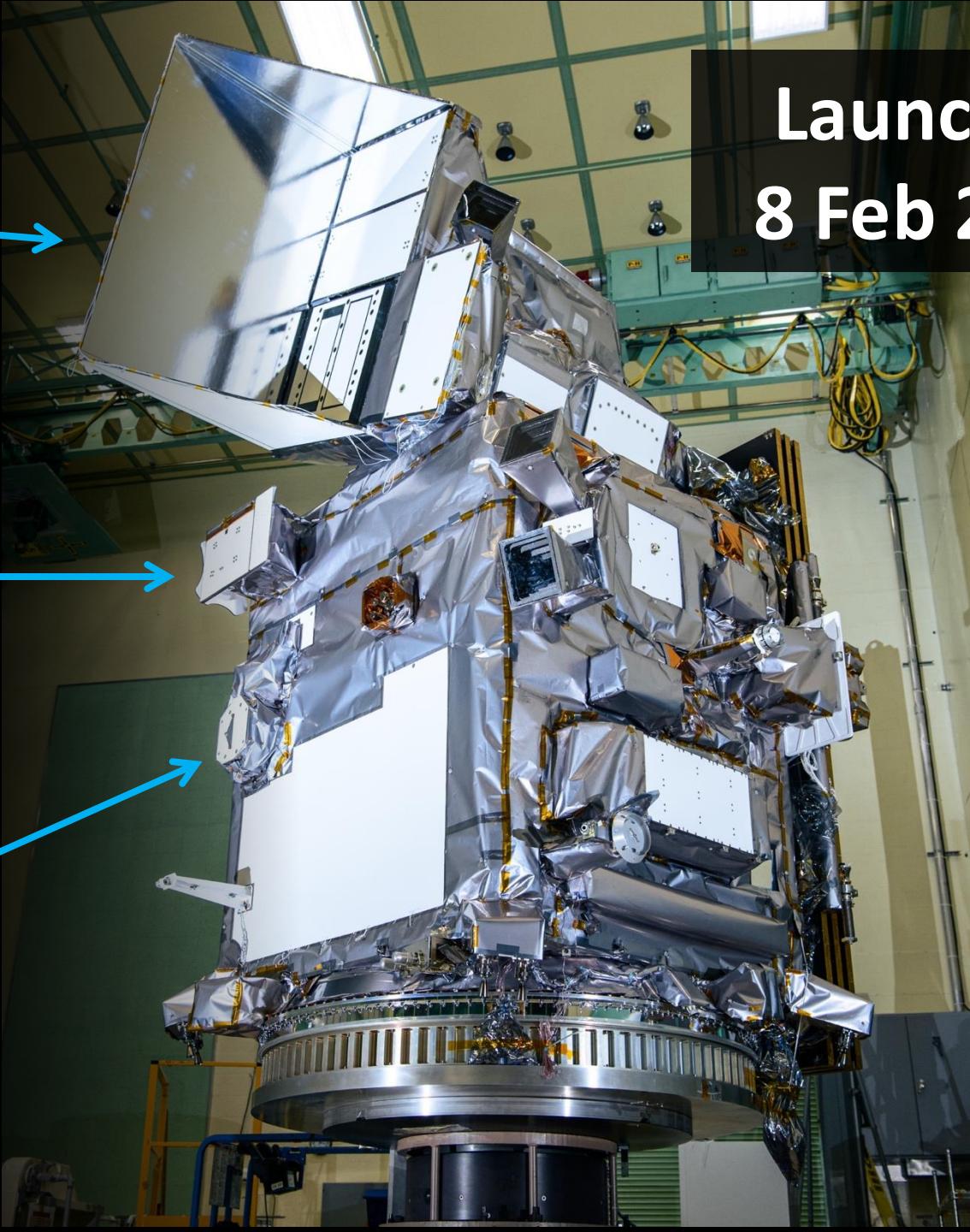
Multi-angle polarimetry in VIS 3 bands +
hyper-angular polarimetry in 1 band
10-60 viewing angles
wide swath polarimeter | 5 km resolution

SRON
AIRBUS

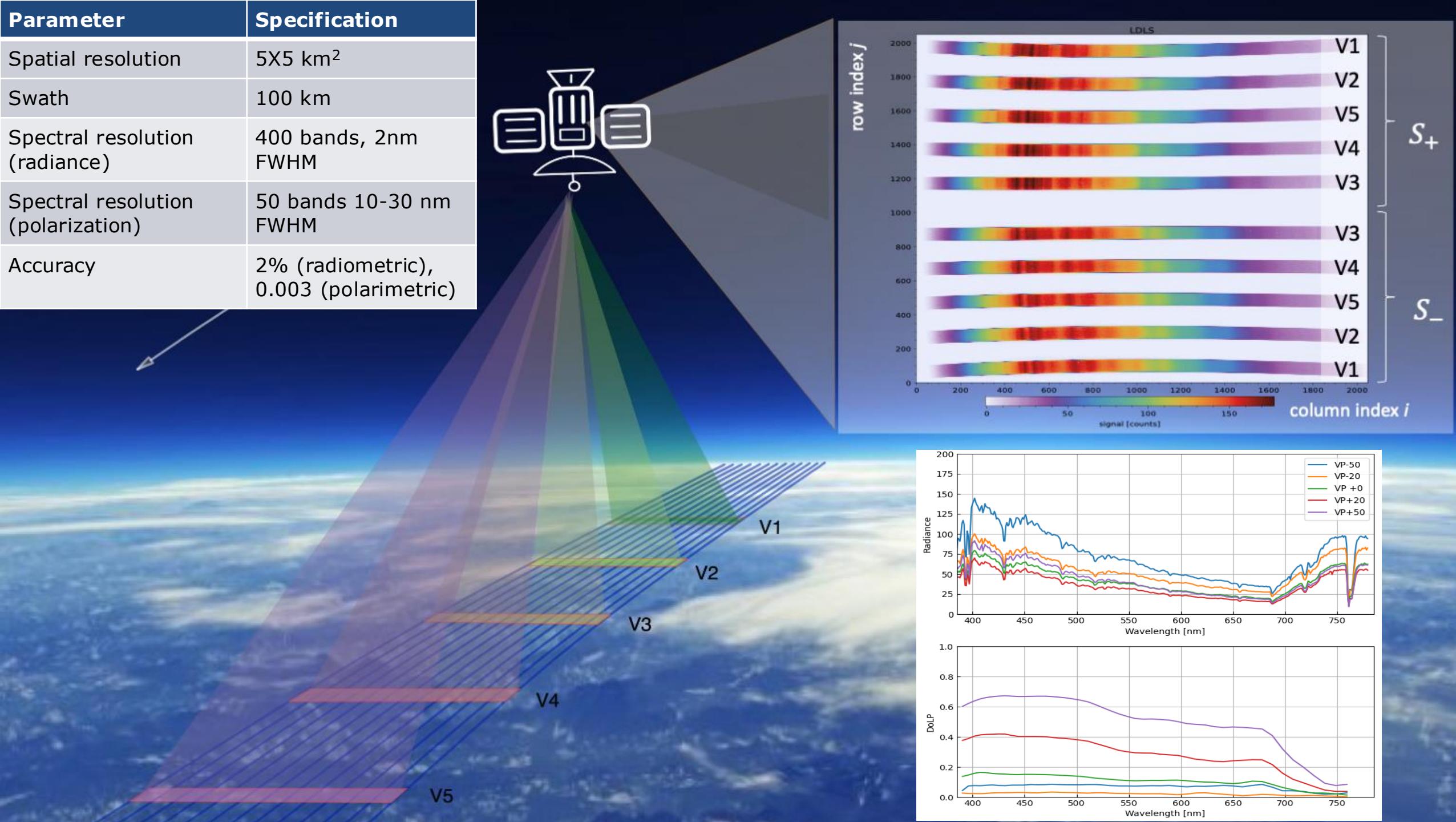


SPEXone

UV-NIR hyperspectral polarimeter : 380-770 nm
5 viewing angles | narrow swath | 5 km resolution

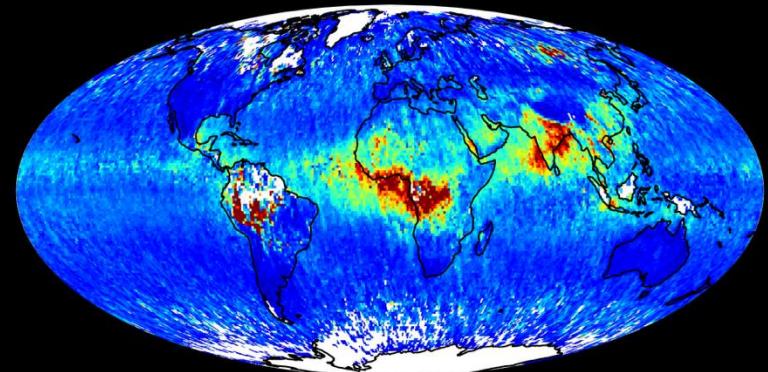


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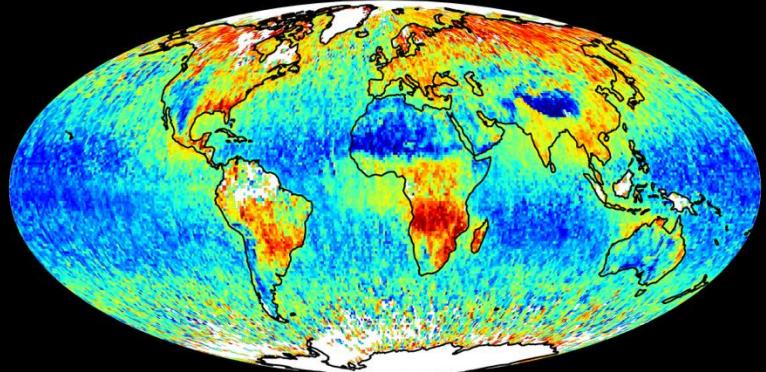


First Year of SPEXone Data: AOD, AE & SSA

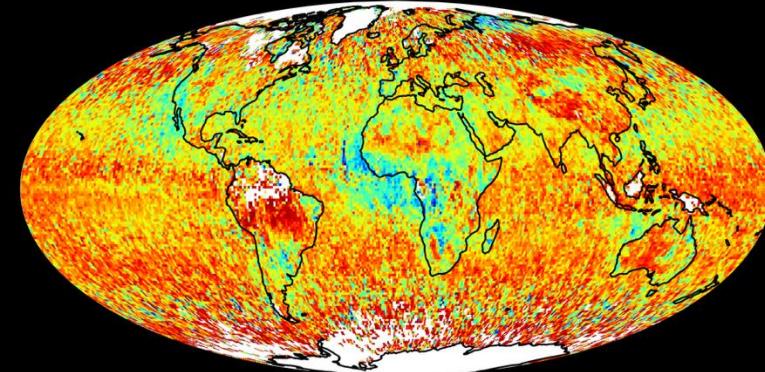
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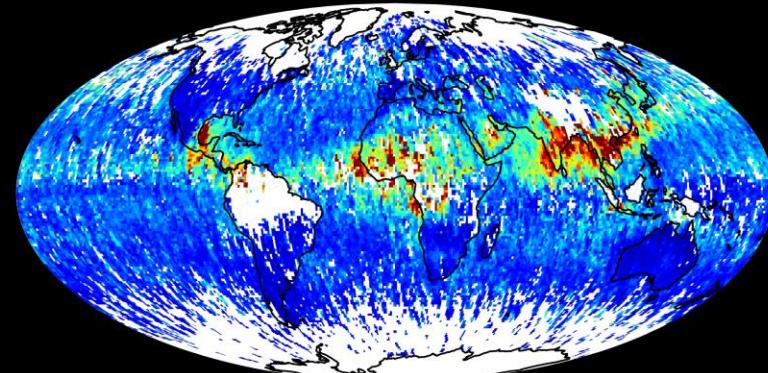
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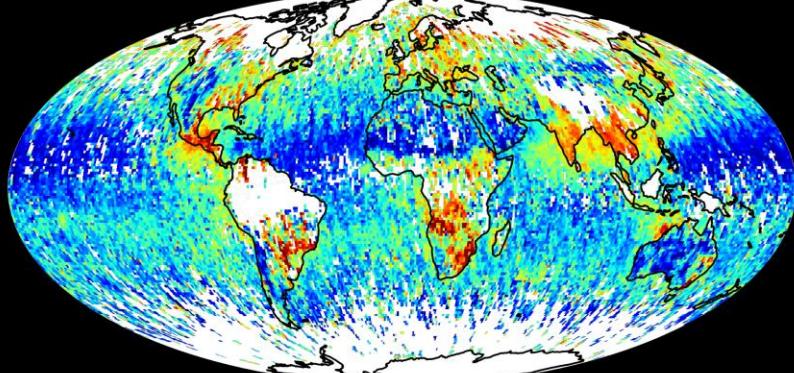
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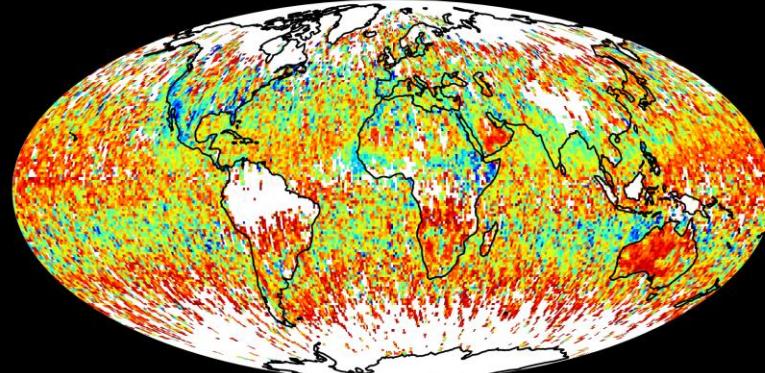
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angstrom_440_670_spring

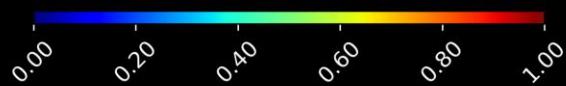
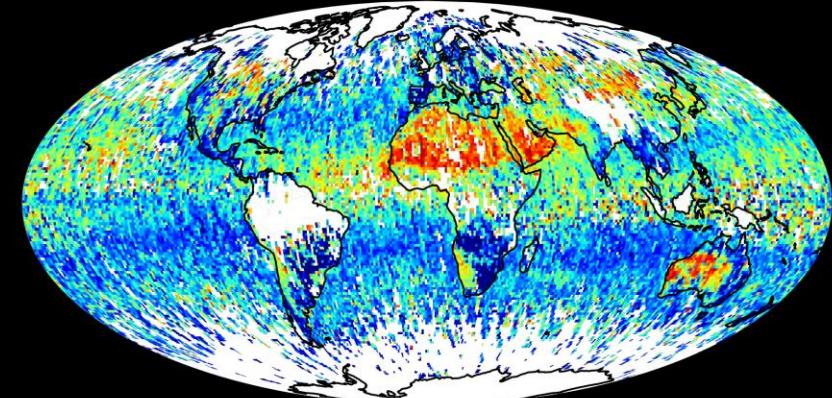


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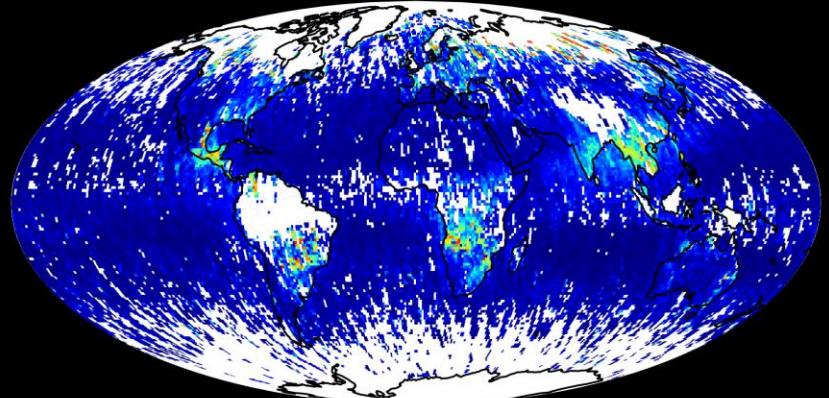


Chemical Composition

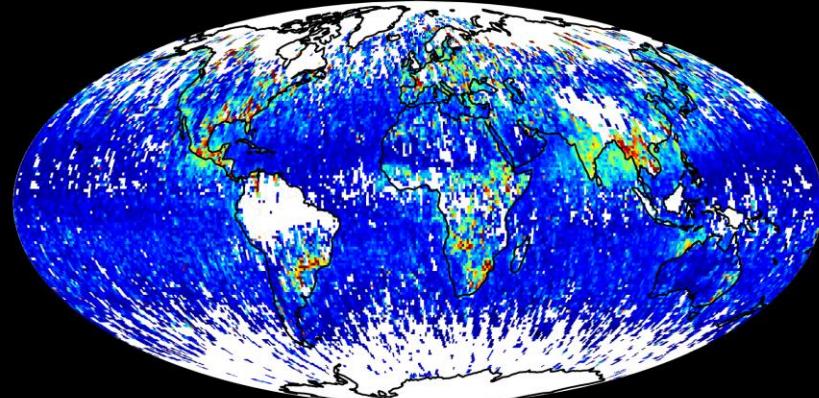
Dust
 $vfrac_dust_spring$



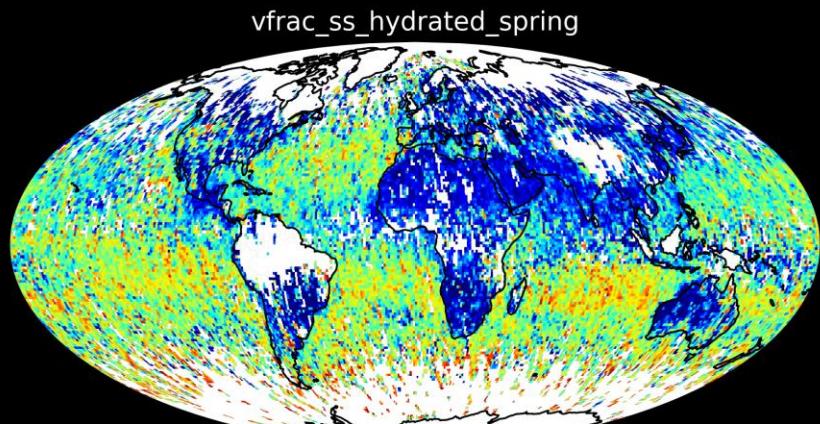
Fine mode non-absorbing
 $vfrac_inorg_spring$



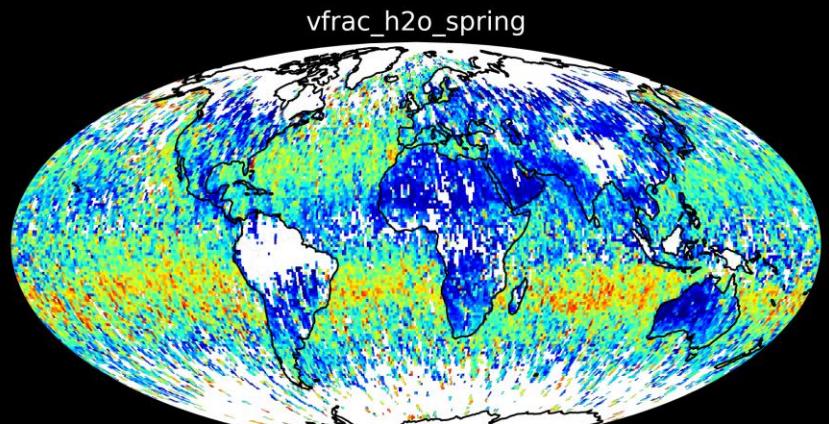
BC+BrC
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Sea Salt (hydrated)



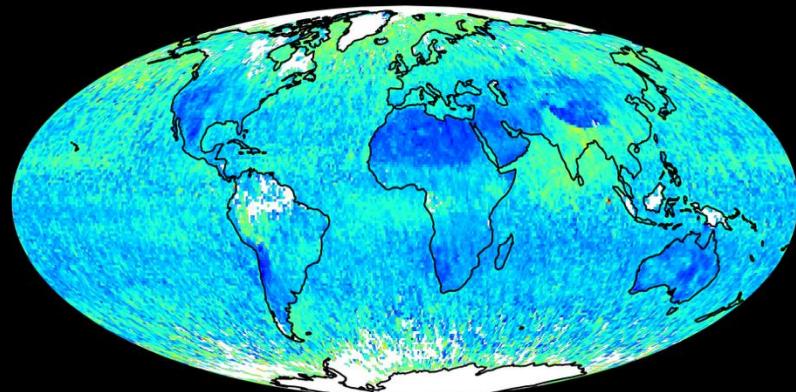
Aerosol Water



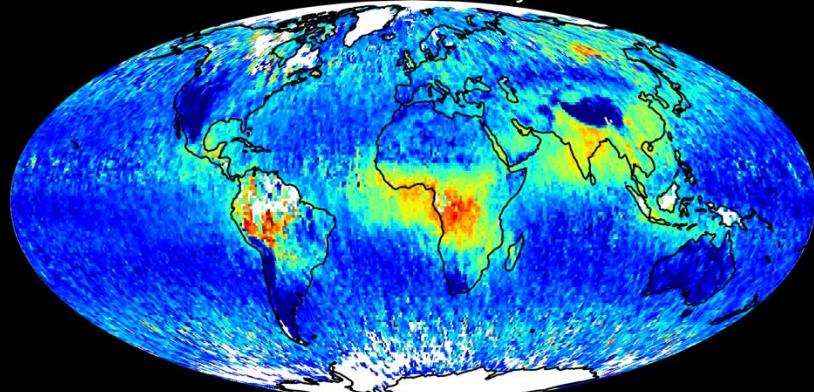
- Dust dominated close to desert (Sahara, Namibia, Australia) and outflow
- Fine mode 'non-absorbing' (IA+OA) over industrial regions and BB
- Sea salt over the ocean
- Most of the sea salt contains a lot of water. Small water fraction over most of land
- BC+BrC over dominates Africa

Size, refractive index, and CCN proxies

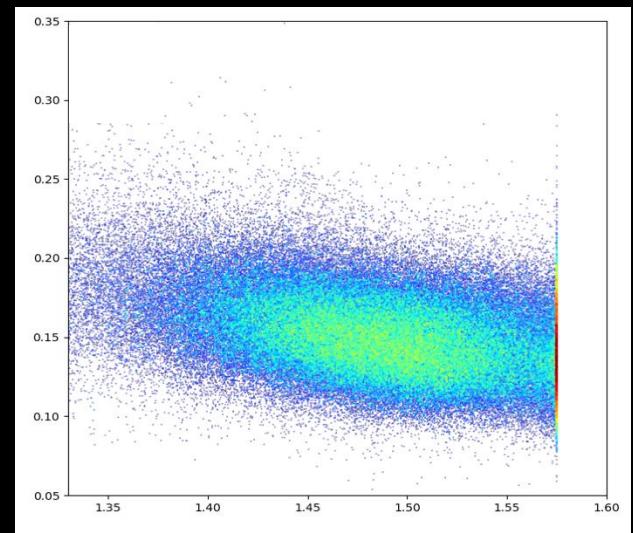
Fine mode effective radius (μm)



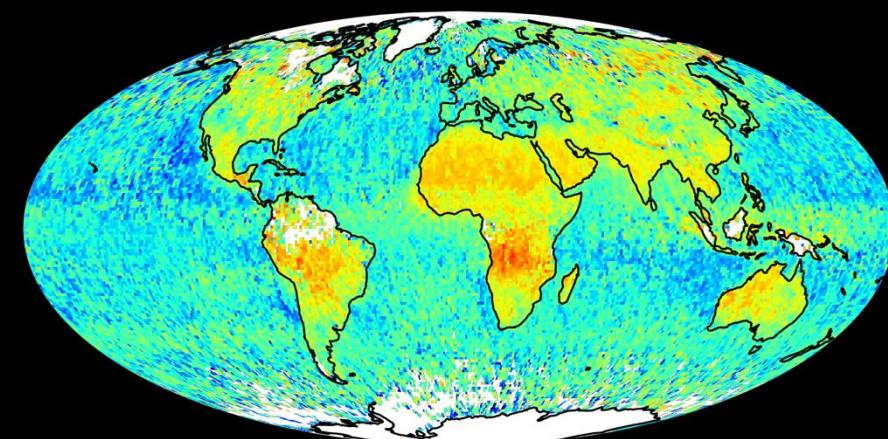
(Log of) Particle column $r_{\text{dry}} > 0.10 \text{ micron}$



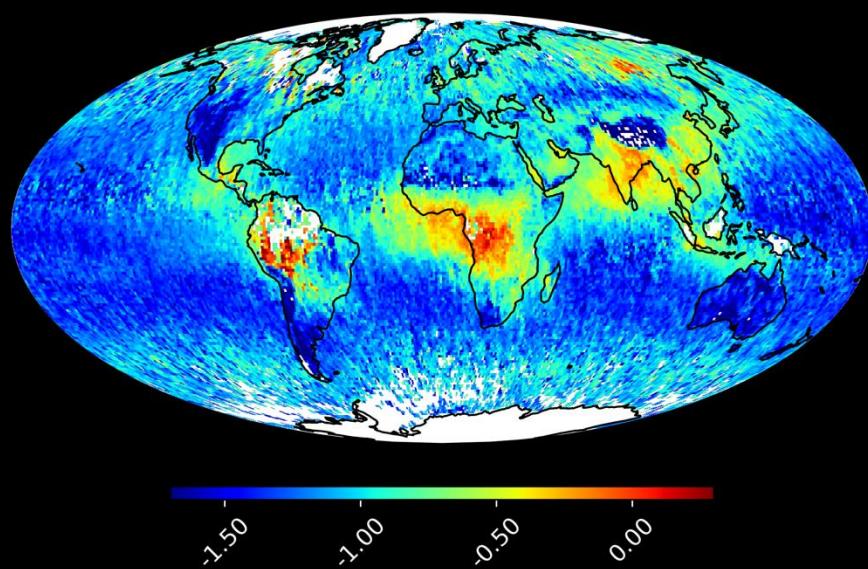
Reff vs RRI (global)



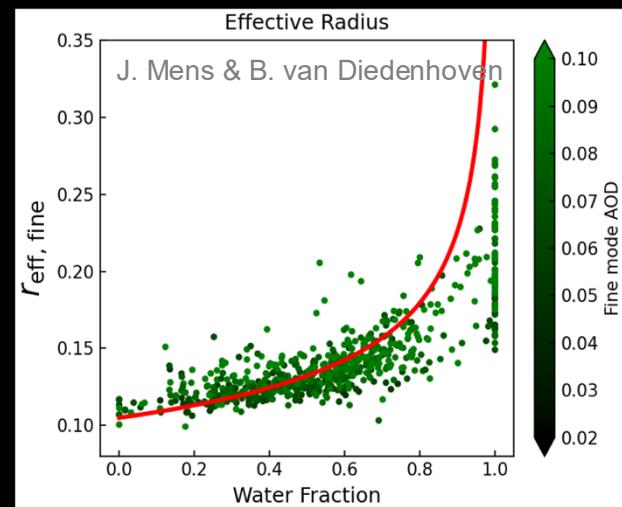
RRI



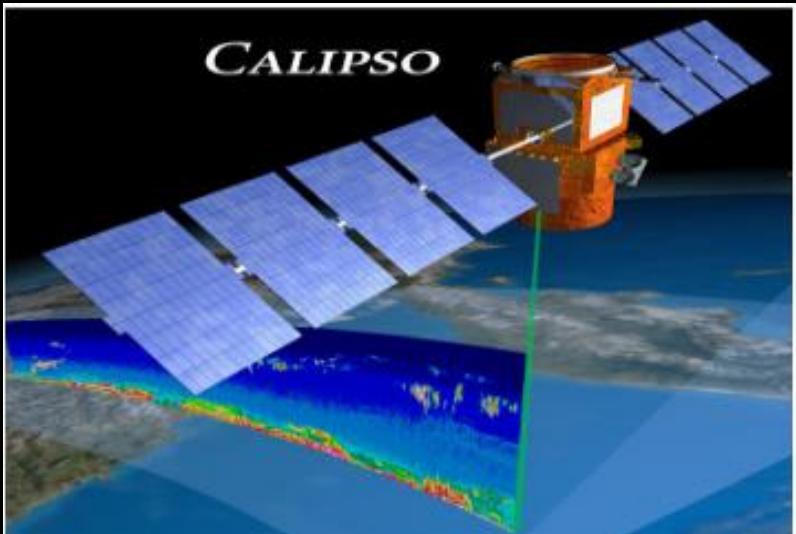
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Reff vs water fraction (granule)



CALIOP- CALIPSO : 2006 -2023



Launch date: April 28, 2006

Mission duration: 15+ years ...

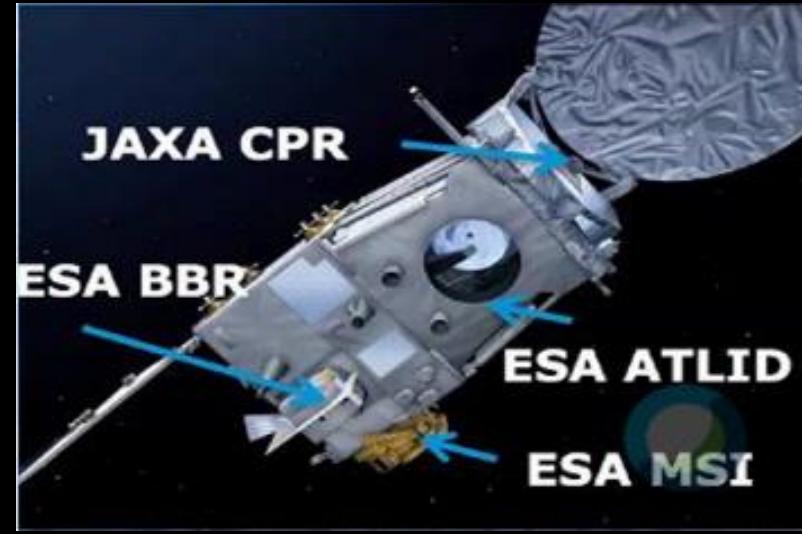
Cloud-Aerosol Lidar with Orthogonal Polarization (CALIOP) [backscatter lidar](#) that provides high-resolution vertical profiles of [aerosols and clouds](#)

a two-wavelength lidar system ([532 nm](#) and [1064 nm](#))

[spatial resolution](#): 333 m

[vertical resolution](#): 30 m

ATLID-EarthCARE



Launch date: May 28, 2024

Mission duration: 3+ years ...

[Payload](#): 2 active (ATLID & CPR), 2 passive (BBR & MSI) instruments

[ATmospheric LIDar \(ATLID\)](#) – UV HSRL lidar with depolarization providing high resolution profiles of aerosols

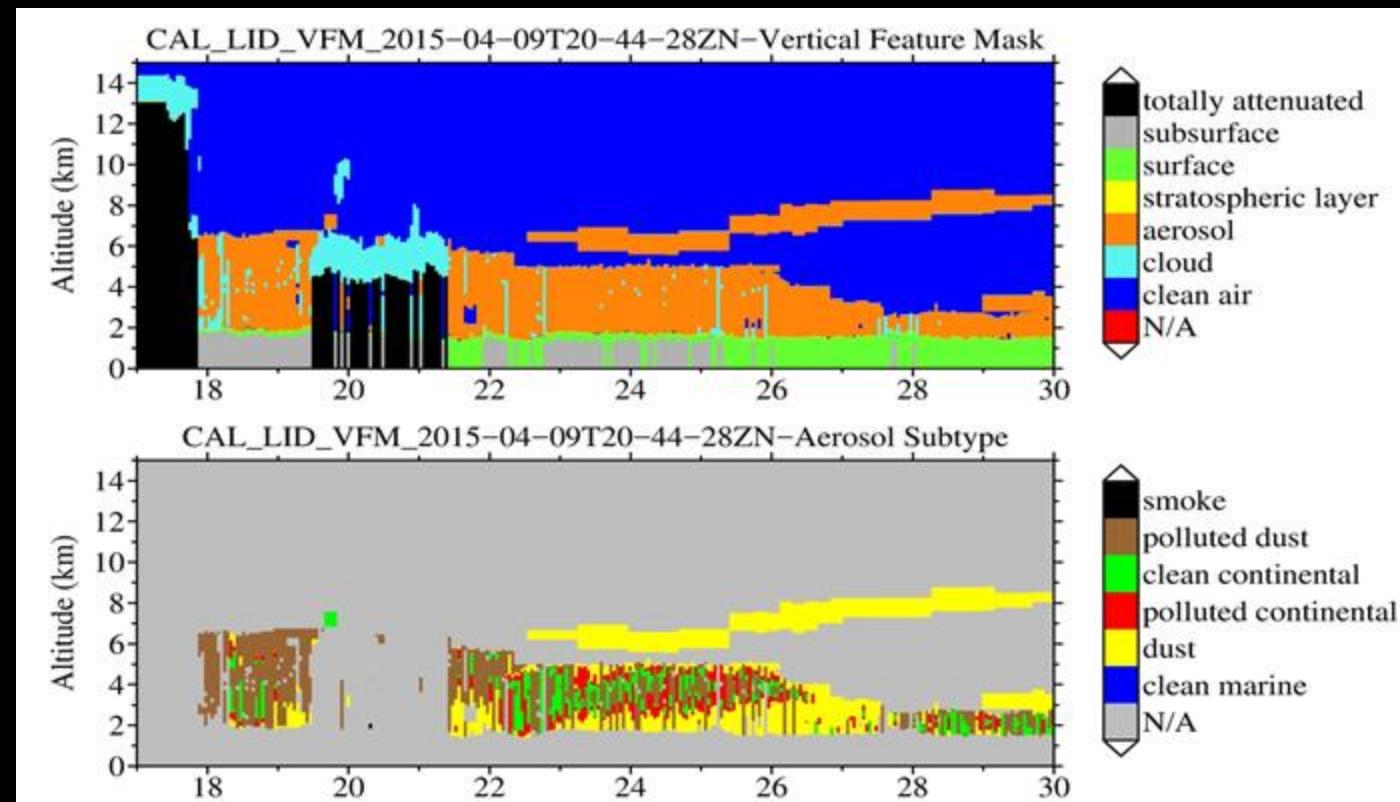
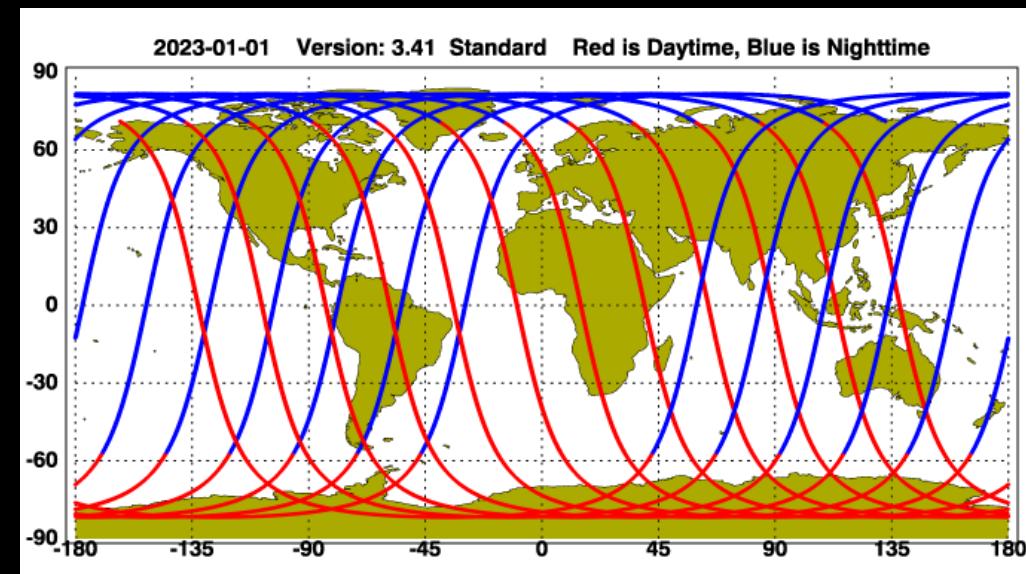
a single wavelength lidar system ([355 nm](#))

[spatial resolution](#): 285 m

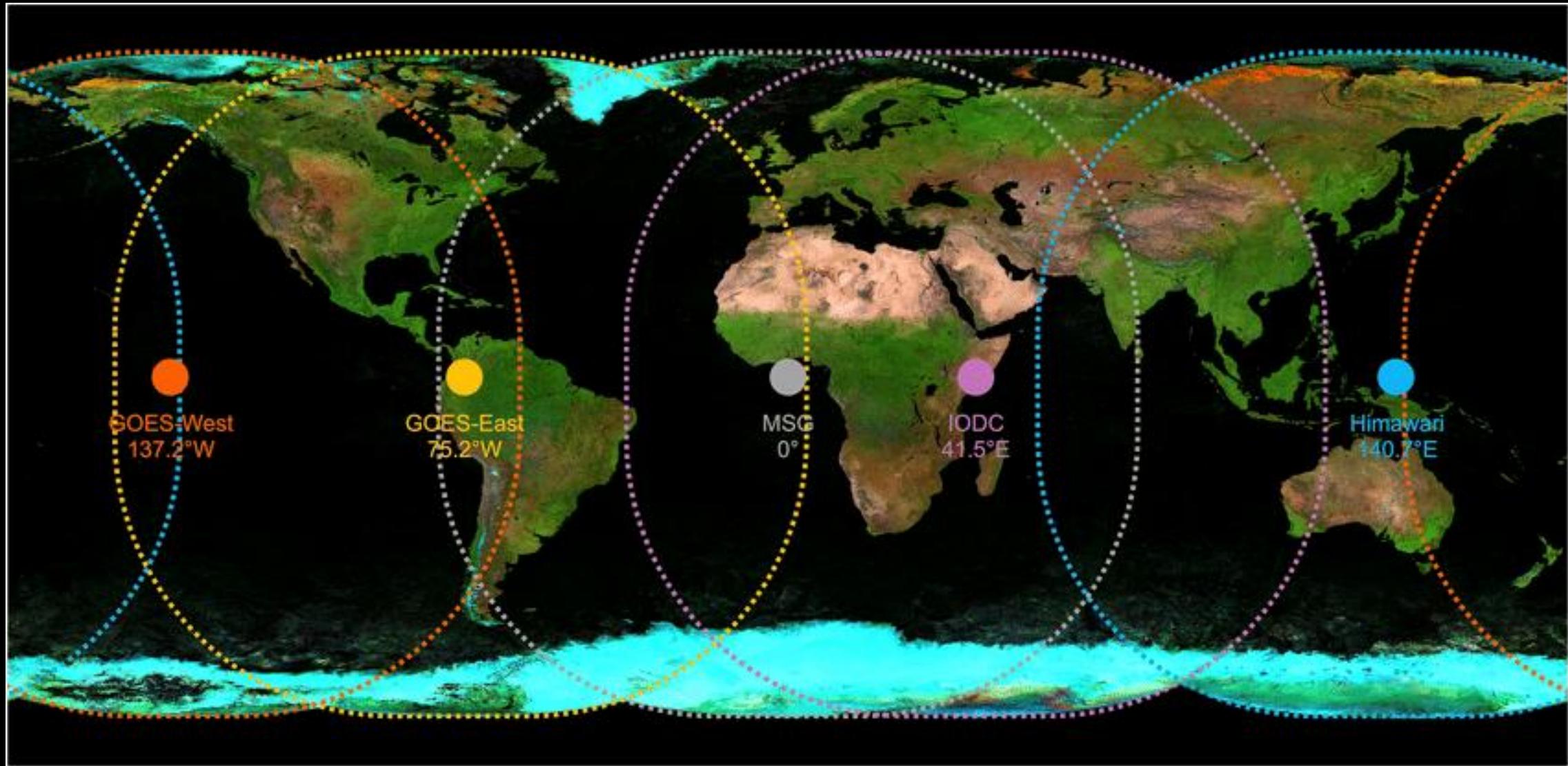
[vertical resolution](#): 03 m (up to 20 km), 500 m (20-40 km)

Aerosol Variables from Lidar

- Backscatter Coefficients
 - Extinction Coefficients
 - Color Ratio
 - Depolarization Ratio
 - Vertical Feature Mask
 - Aerosol Type
 - Cloud Type



Geostationary Satellites



Thank you for patience

