

*Overview on AeroCom experiments
and (associated) diagnostics*

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Why AeroCom encourages joint decentralised experiments

- ❑ Complex scientific problems benefit from broad community input and discussion
- ❑ Curiosity is better justified if others are willing to contribute
- ❑ “First author” analysis is very efficient/rewarding (no funding – database and paper as outcome)
- ❑ Model experiments are relatively cheap
- ❑ Data harmonizing comes as a side effect (almost)
- ❑ No central organising capacity anyway

Why decentralised experiments are not ideal

- ❑ Submission&analysis can not be done on schedule
- ❑ Harmonisation of data is minimal, subject to communication problems, missing definitions, missing documentation
- ❑ Planning is done adhoc, once per year, occasionally in between
- ❑ Analysis relies often on one person, multiple authors reduce individual coauthor responsiveness (its good to include 2-5 more “very” active coauthors)

6 Questions

for any new AeroCom experiment

- Do you want an experiment or additional diagnostics?
- Have you studied the AeroCom wiki page on database, output, experiments for more than 10 seconds?
- Do you have an account for the AeroCom server and have you checked the output which is already available?
- Do you know AeroCom/AerChemMIP variable names and formatting requirements? Which can be (re)used?
- Can you piggyback on an existing experiment by asking modellers to submit additional diagnostics?
- Can you write a model experiment motivation and description? Has someone tested the concept with a single model?

Overview

Phase III AeroCom model experiments

Control 2016 (simulating 2010)

- Remote Sensing
- Aircraft Data Evaluation
- INSITU
- INSITU particle size
- COARSE Map
- Warm rain fraction
- Holuhraun
- Lagrangian model evaluation
- ORACLES
- ATOM

AeroCom Historical

- Natural Aerosols (EU Crescendo)
- ACRI
- UTLS
- In situ trends
- **AerChemMIP tier 1**

Biomass Burning

MMPPE

Anthropogenic Dust

HTAP BASE plus perturbations

Aerosol Lifetime Fukushima



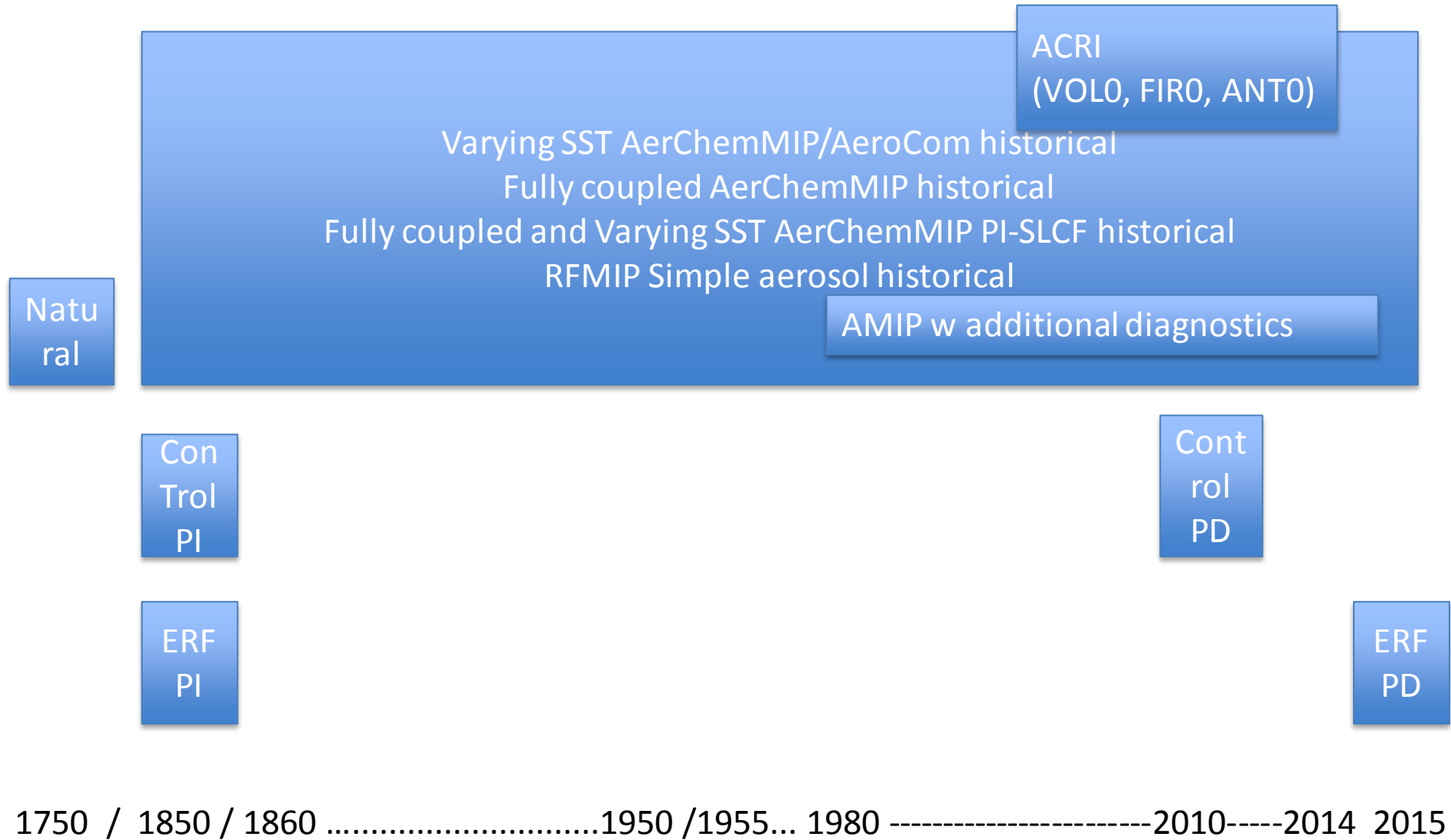
Nitrogen



Control 2015

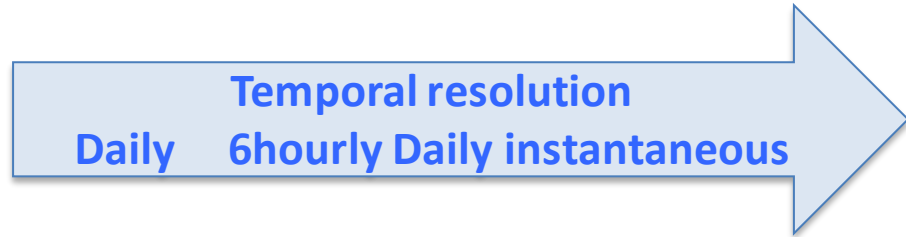


Periods simulated in AeroCom experiments a



Diagnostics

Control
Monthly 2010



Optics
Surface Concentrations
Loads, Emissions, Deposition

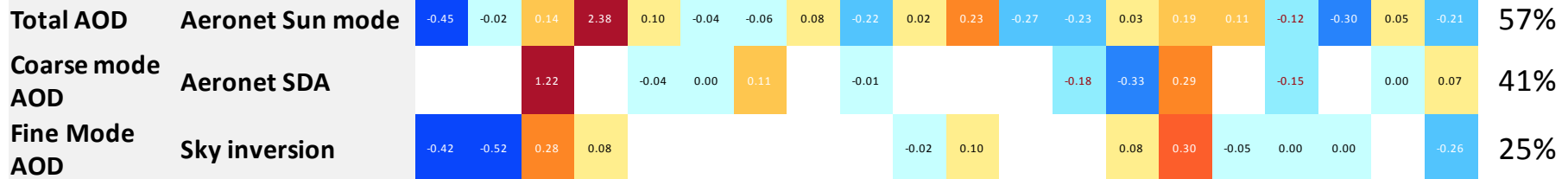
Spatial resolution
3 Dimensions /



Portrait Diagram Display of Relative Error Metrics

AeroCom Phase III Models vs Multiple Observational datasets

Aerosol Optical Depth



Surface Concentration



Variation

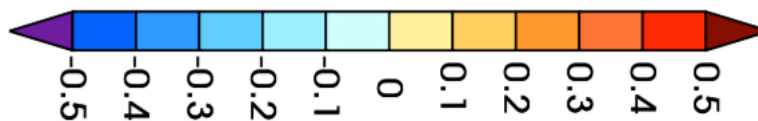
$$E'_{mfr} = \frac{E_{mfr} - \overline{E}_{fr}}{\overline{E}_{fr}}$$

E_{mfr} = RMS error of model m

\overline{E}_{fr} = typical model error



GOOD



BAD

Participating Models is this correct

CTRL2016

NorESM2
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GISS Oma
UKESM/Hadgem
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