



Overview and Update of the AeroCom Volcanic SO₂ Emission Inventory

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Outline

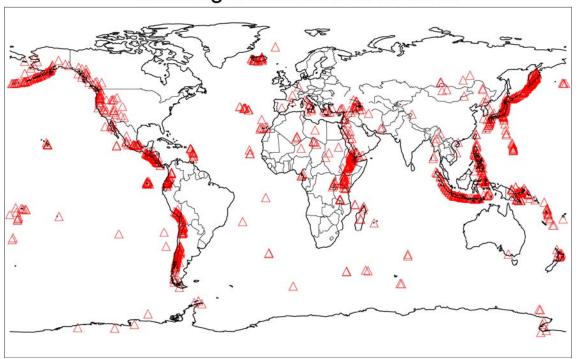
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General Features

- Daily SO₂ emissions and plume heights for 1167 volcanoes from 1-1-1979 to 31-12-2009
- Emissions due to explosive and effusive eruptions as well as silent degassing taken into account
- Eruption data including the VEI is from the Smithsonian's Global Volcanism Program (GVP)

Distribution of Volcanoes

Emitting Volcanoes 1979-2009



- ➤ Mostly located along arcs of subduction zones
 - ➤ More frequent, violent and short-lived eruptions
- ➤ Fewer hot spot and rift volcanoes
 - ➤ Longer lasting eruptions, more effusive

Methodology

- All volcanoes with historic subaerial eruptions in GVP are included
- > For eruptive episodes, GVP provides dates and the VEI.
 - First approximation of SO₂ and plume height by the VEI/VSI
- ➤ SO₂ amount iteratively refined for individual eruptions by satellite (e.g. TOMS, OMI) and COSPEC observations, and more detailed analyses from publications
- ➤ Plume height also refined for individual cases by observations listed in the Bulletin of the Global Volcanism Network (BGVN), and analyses in the literature
- ➤ For some eruptions with known Lava and/or Tephra volumes, the SO₂ is estimated from these amounts
- ➤ Data for quasi-continuously erupting volcanoes is from Andres & Kasgnoc (1998)
- ➤ Silent degassing estimates for non-eruptive periods are based on Berresheim & Jaeschke (1983) and Stoiber et al. (1987)

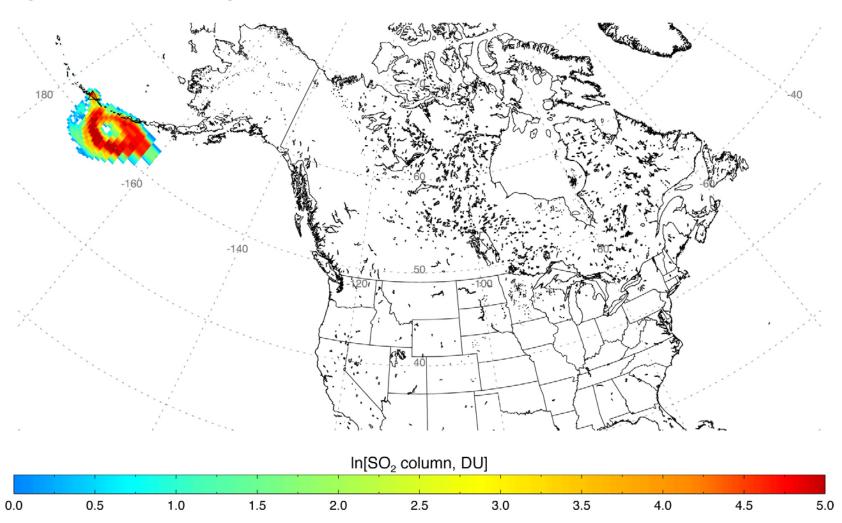
Recent Changes

- ➤ Added eruptions for 2008 and 2009
- Ingested OMI data for several eruptions, e.g.:
 - ➤ Kasatochi (2008), Nyamuragira (2006), Okmok (2008), Redoubt (2009), Sarychev Peak (2009)
- > Changed plume height for Pinatubo and El Chichon to 25 km
- Added some plume heights from BVGN reports
- Fixed a code bug

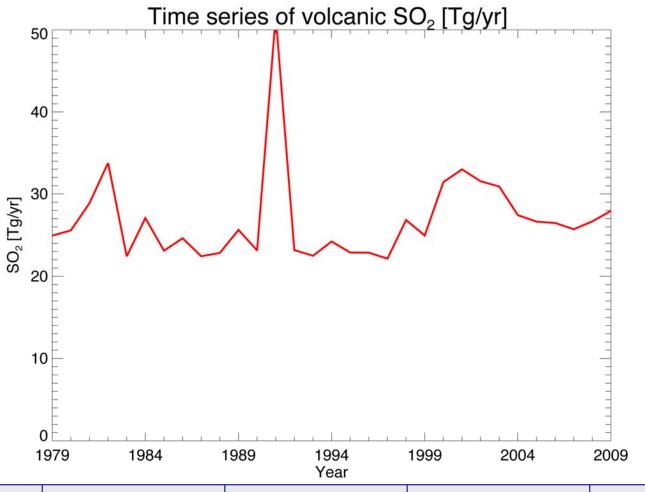
Example from OMI - Kasatochi

Aura/OMI - 08/09/2008 00:56-01:03 UT - Orbit 21636

SO₂ mass: 882.092 kt; Area: 641791 km²; SO₂ max: 246.15 DU at lon: -171.85 lat: 50.32 ; 01:02UTC



Total SO₂ per Year

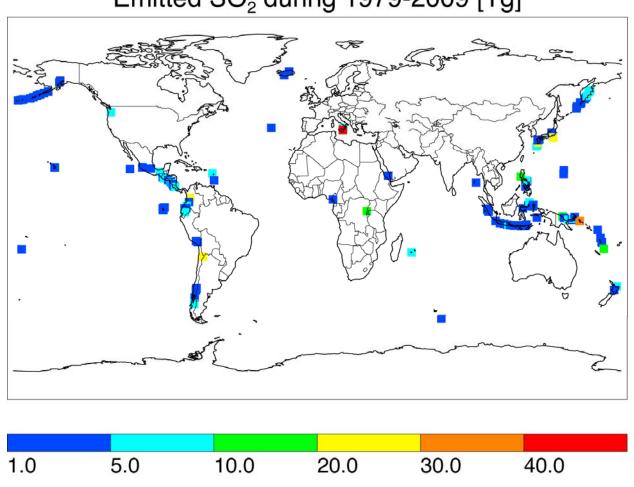


	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Median
Total SO ₂ /year	22 Tg	52 Tg	27 Tg	26 Tg

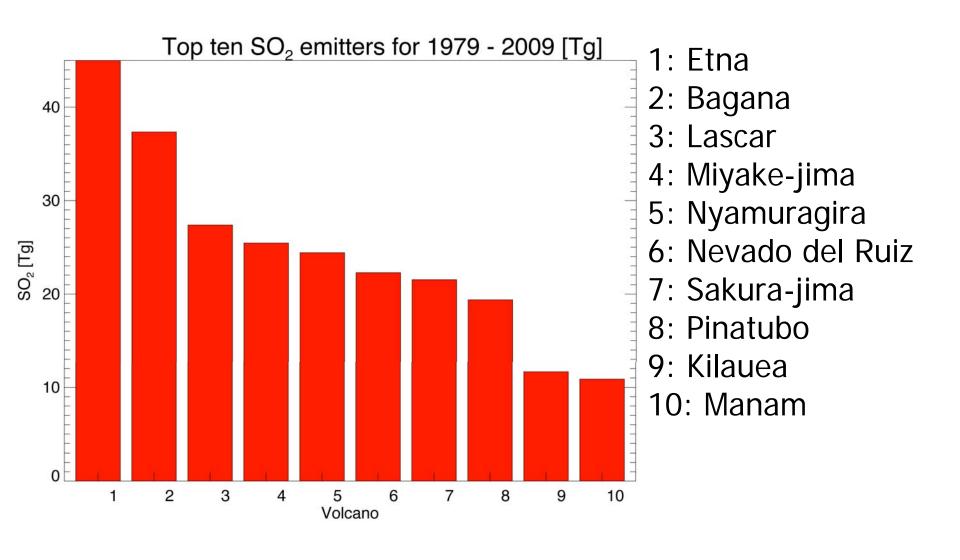
About 11-13 Tg/year from silent degassing included

Total SO₂ per Volcano

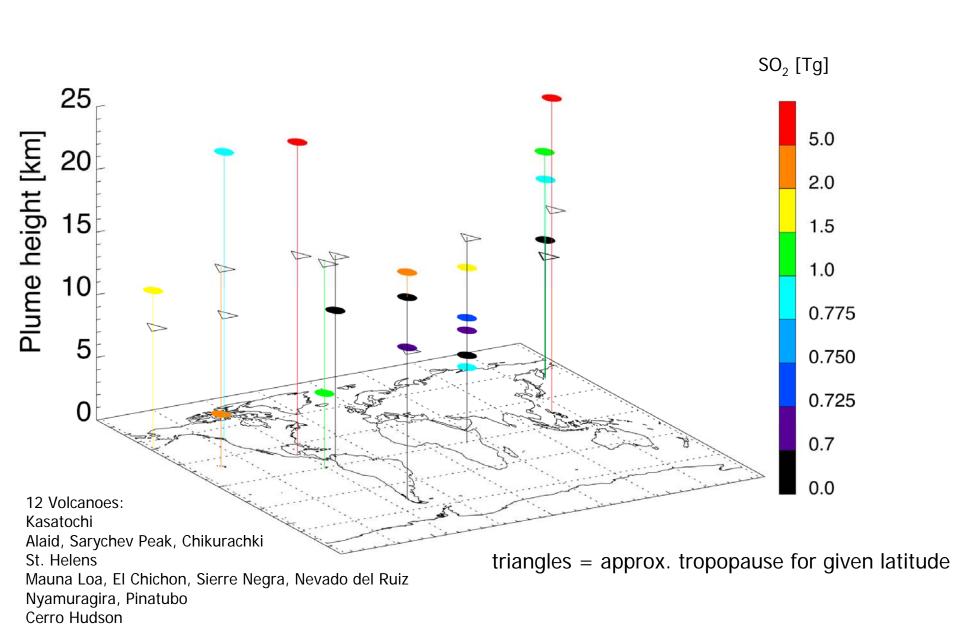
Emitted SO₂ during 1979-2009 [Tg]



Strongest Emitters



Largest 20 Explosive Eruptions



Some Open Issues

- ➤ Observed top plume height not necessarily corresponding to top SO₂ injection height
- ➤ Effects of buoyancy and in-plume removal
- ➤ How to use plume height from inventory in models (current recommendation: injection into top 1/3 of the plume)
- ➤ Inclusion of other species? Ash might be of interest. Other species?
- ➤ Suggestions? Questions?