#### aerosol indirect effect

#### aerosol and clouds

aerosol and precipitation

### approaches

- learning from observations
  - associations / correlations
- modeling with observational constrains !
  - model set-up to optimal fit data (simulator)
  - data correlations are constrains (not causal)
  - prepare data ?
- understanding model behavior (as modeling is needed)
  - simplify modeling to essential processes
  - conduct sensitivity tests
  - successively enhance complexity

## learning from observations

if not now ... when then ?

- many matured satellite products
  - a decade of passive aerosol / cloud /radiation dedicated sensors
  - years of active remote sensing from space
- improved (-ing) ground-networks
  - sun-photometer, lidar, radar, radiation
- Q: are there essential product (-combinations) for cloud-aerosol relationships ? Qualitative?

## understanding modeling

- processes / parameterizations ... and scales
  - local underst. may not apply to large scales
    - smaller scale modeling (LES) or obs?
- proposals
  - stepwise increase in complexity for low clouds
    - Ming: perturbation of cloud water / drop #
  - aerosol eff. on liquid and mixed-phase clouds
    - Storelymo: 2-moment cloud microphy models
  - aqua-planet with constant NH sulfate emission
    - Stevens: do models exhibit robust response?

# modeling with obs. constrains

• ... a focus of AeroCom activities

- Q: How can available data be prepared (or combined) to be most beneficially to modeling?
- Q: What data-constrains are needed by modeling?
- can we think about 'handshakes'

#### selected questions

 how can 'simultaneous' in observations different properties be relaxed ?

 aerosol and clouds are connected via CCN and IN ... are there observations?

• how to address scale issues?