

Global Distribution of Aerosol *and Aerosol Forcing* from CALIOP Observations

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Summary

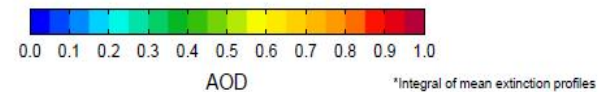
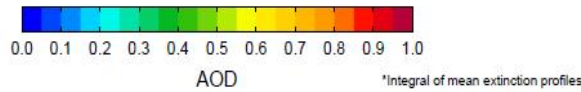
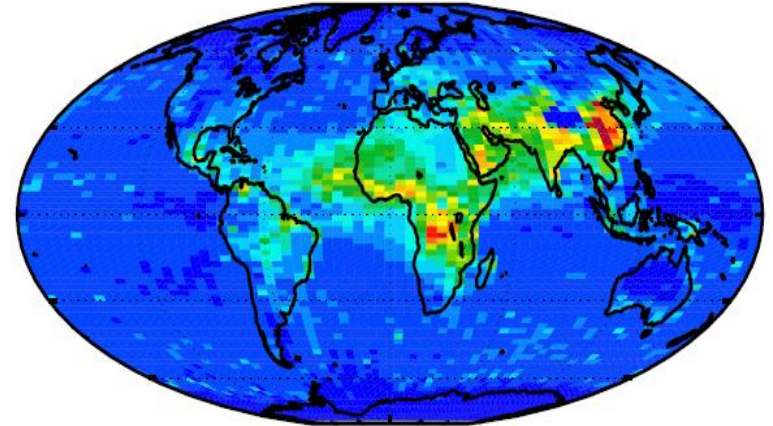
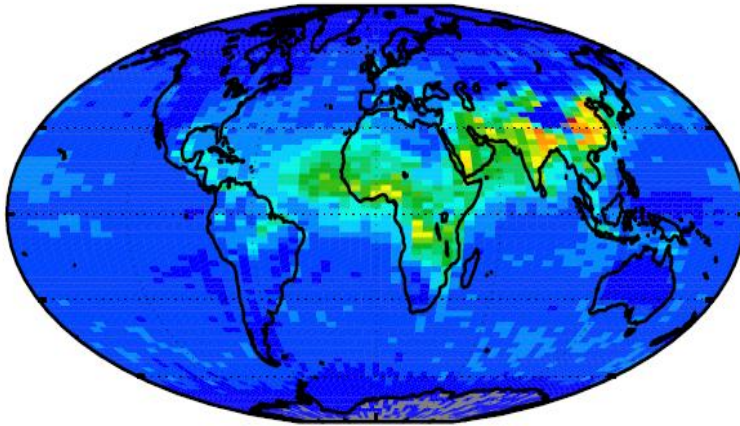
- A monthly, gridded, global aerosol profile product has been produced from CALIOP Level 2 aerosol data
 - June 2006 – Dec 2011
 - 60 m vertical resolution, 0 – 12 km
 - Beta-version product currently available from ASDC
- Initial characterization/validation performed
- Manuscript submitted to ACP (Winker et al, 2012)
- Optimization studies now underway
- Initial aerosol direct radiative effect calculations
- Release of improved profile product planned for 2013

Four types of extinction profiles, 2008 annual mean

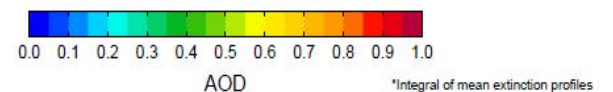
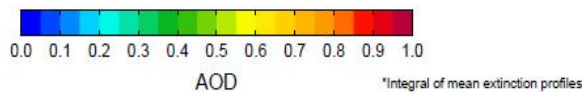
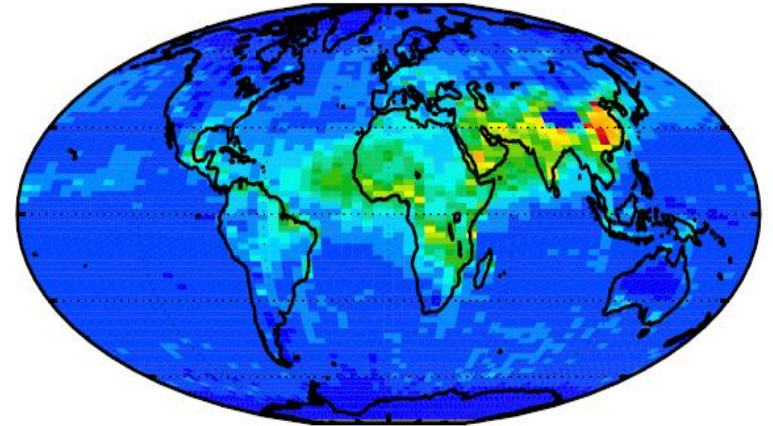
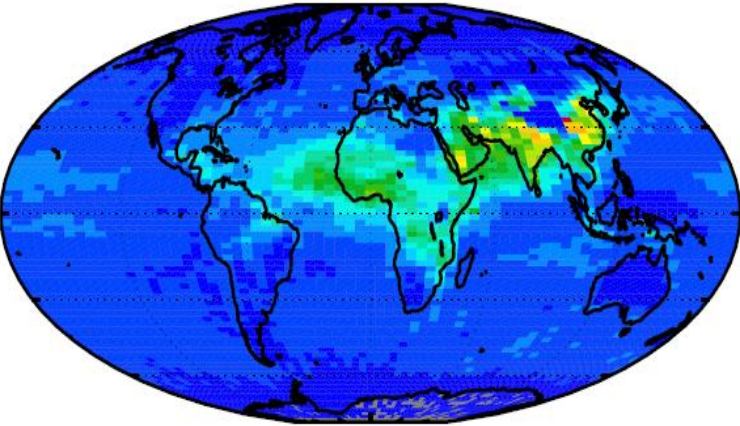
Day

Night

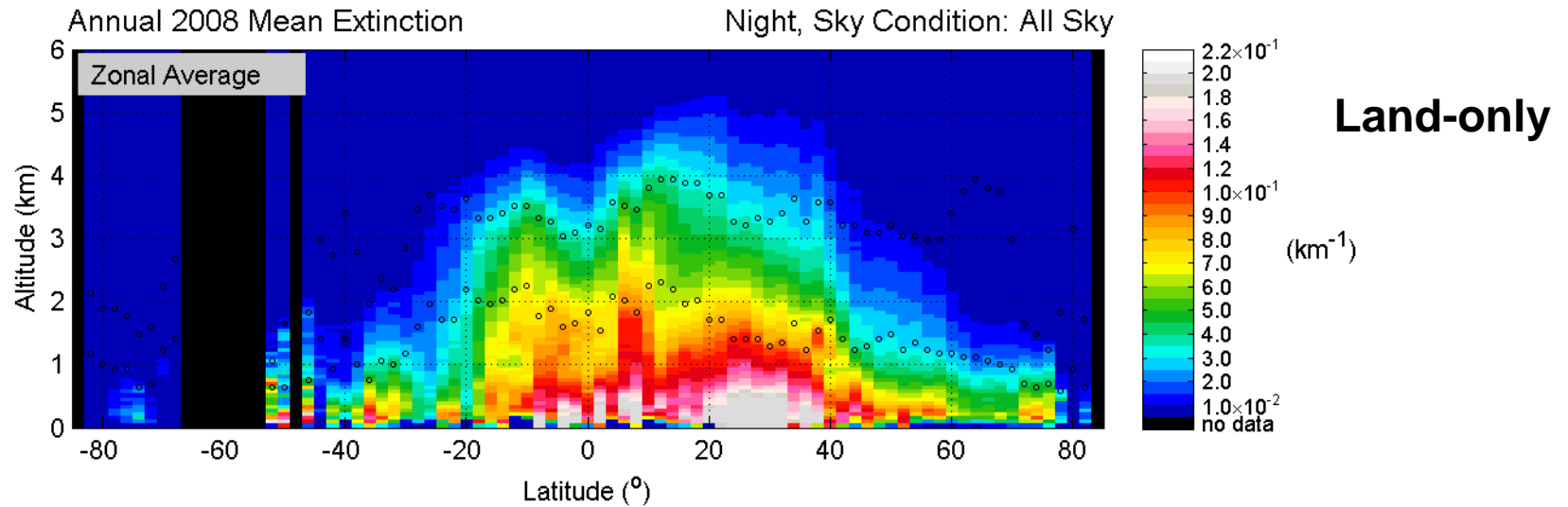
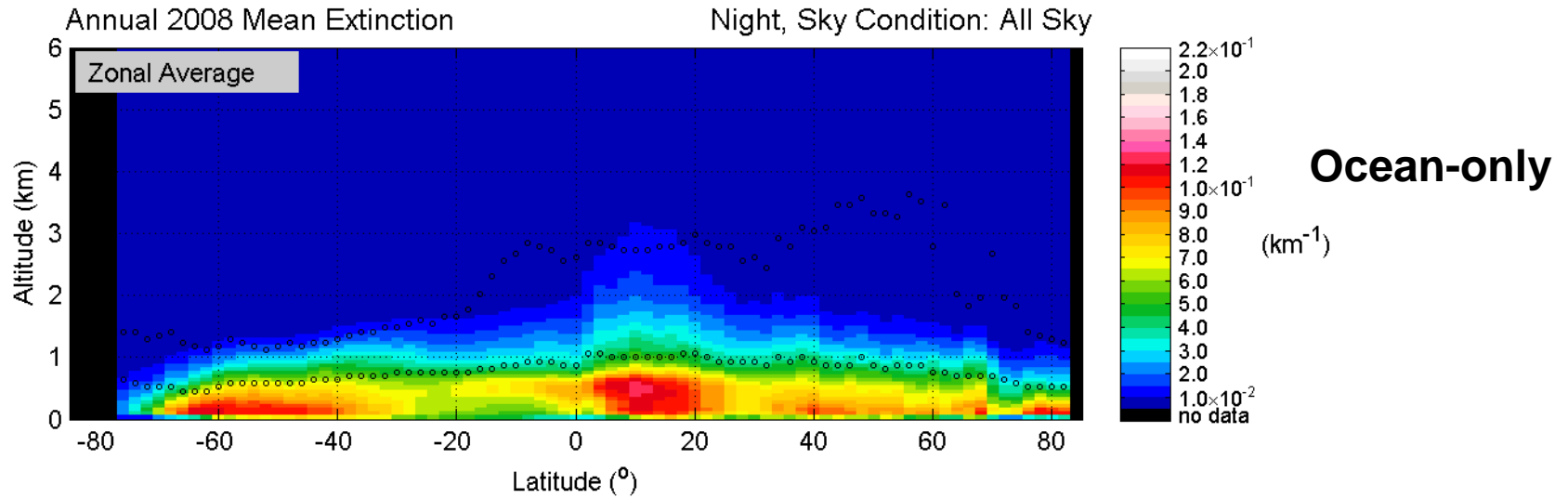
Cloud-free



All-sky



2008 annual: night, all-sky



AOD: global ocean

global land

CALIOP

MODIS

CALIOP

MODIS

night day

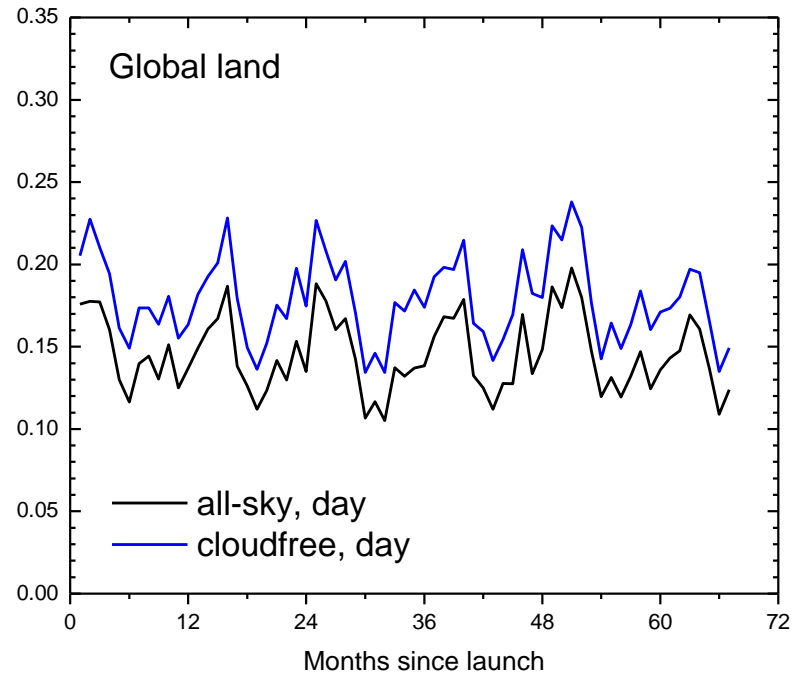
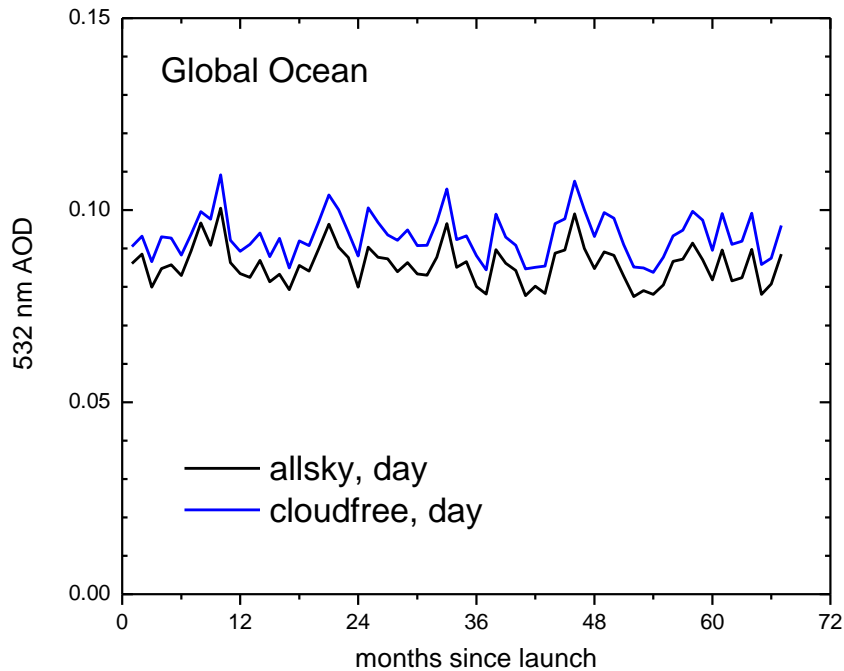
night day

cloud-free 0.087 0.093 0.13

0.21 0.18 0.19

all-sky 0.098 0.086 ---

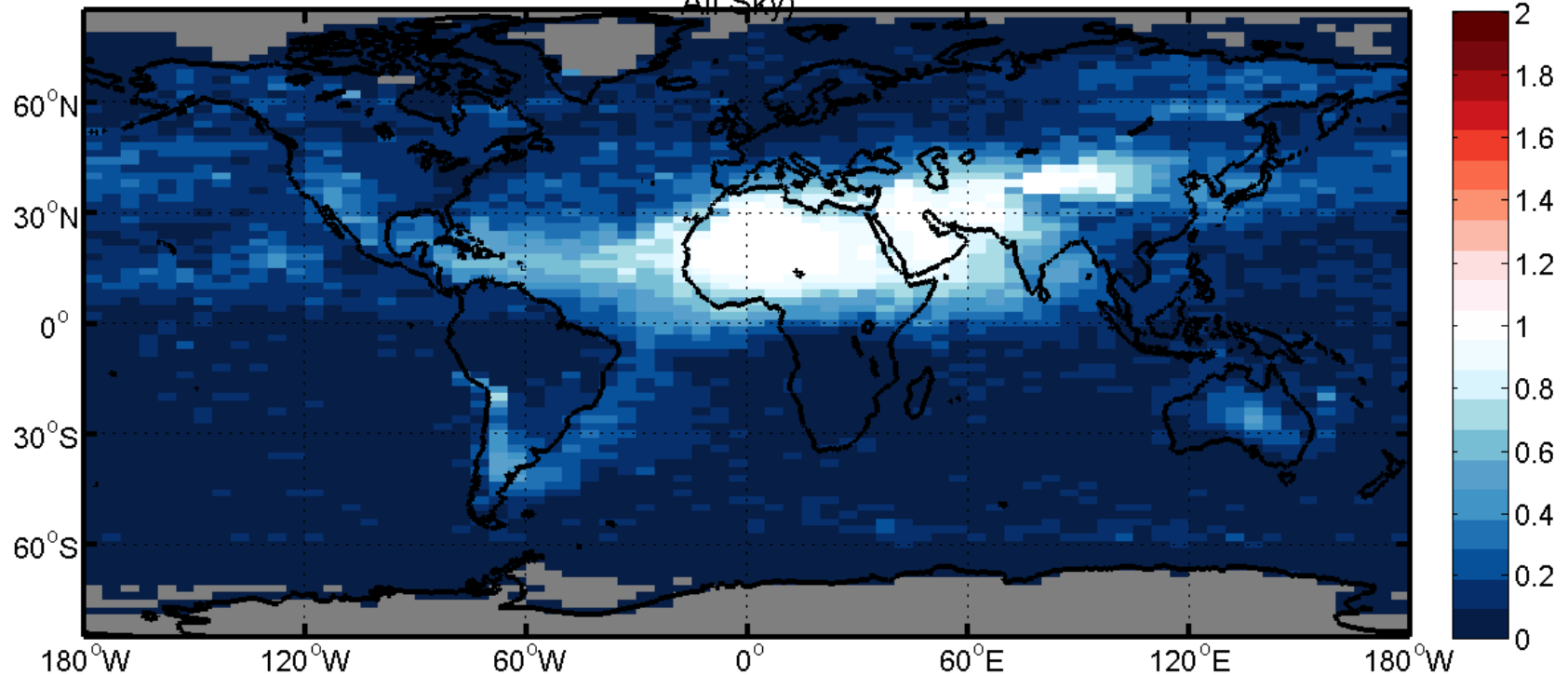
0.19 0.15 ---



CALIOP employs an algorithm to estimate **aerosol type** based on measured lidar signals

- depolarization provides robust identification of dust

AOD Ratio (Dust Jan. 2007 – Dec. 2011 , Night, All Sky) / (Jan. 2007 – Dec. 2011 , Night, All Sky)

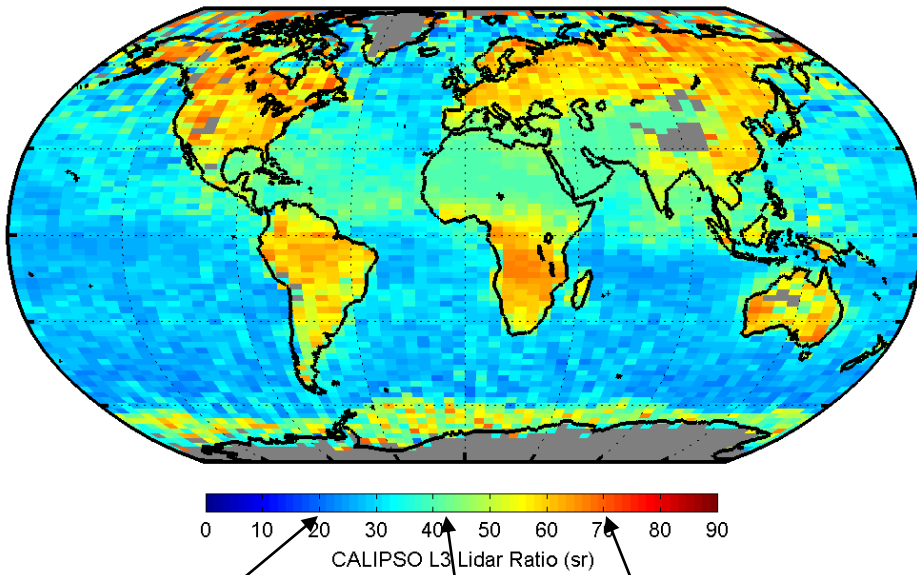


*Integral of mean extinction profiles

Dust AOD fraction

Average Aerosol Type, JJA 2008

Average Lidar Ratio, Jun-Aug 2008, Daytime, AllSky. Layers < 2 km

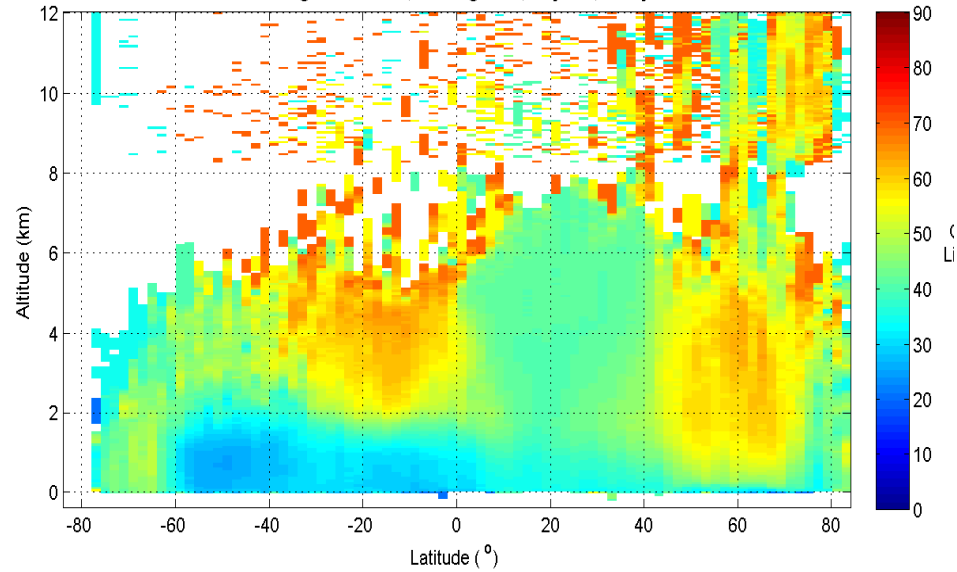


marine

dust

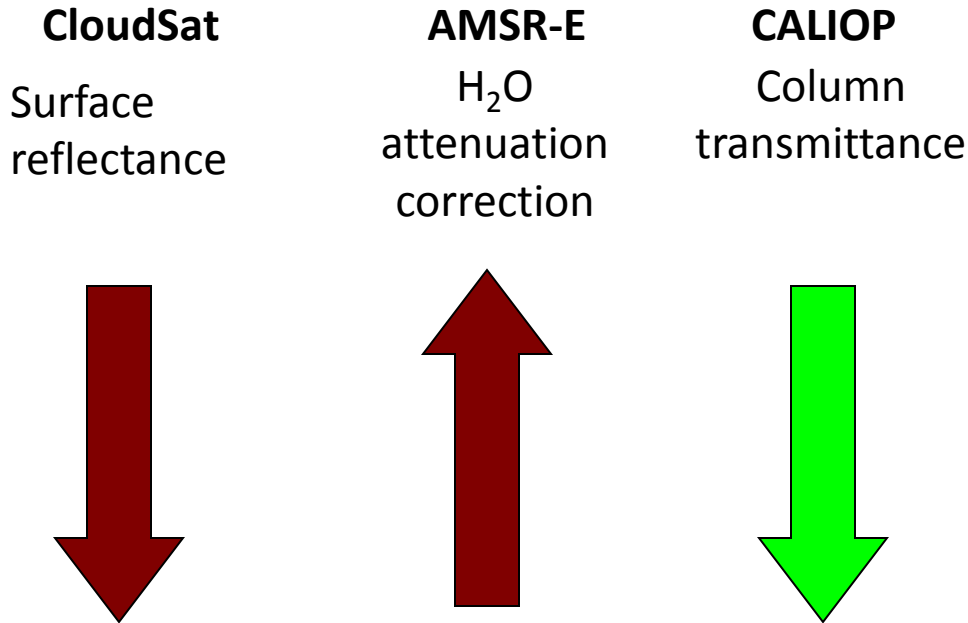
smoke,
pollution

Average Lidar Ratio, Jun-Aug 2008, Daytime, AllSky



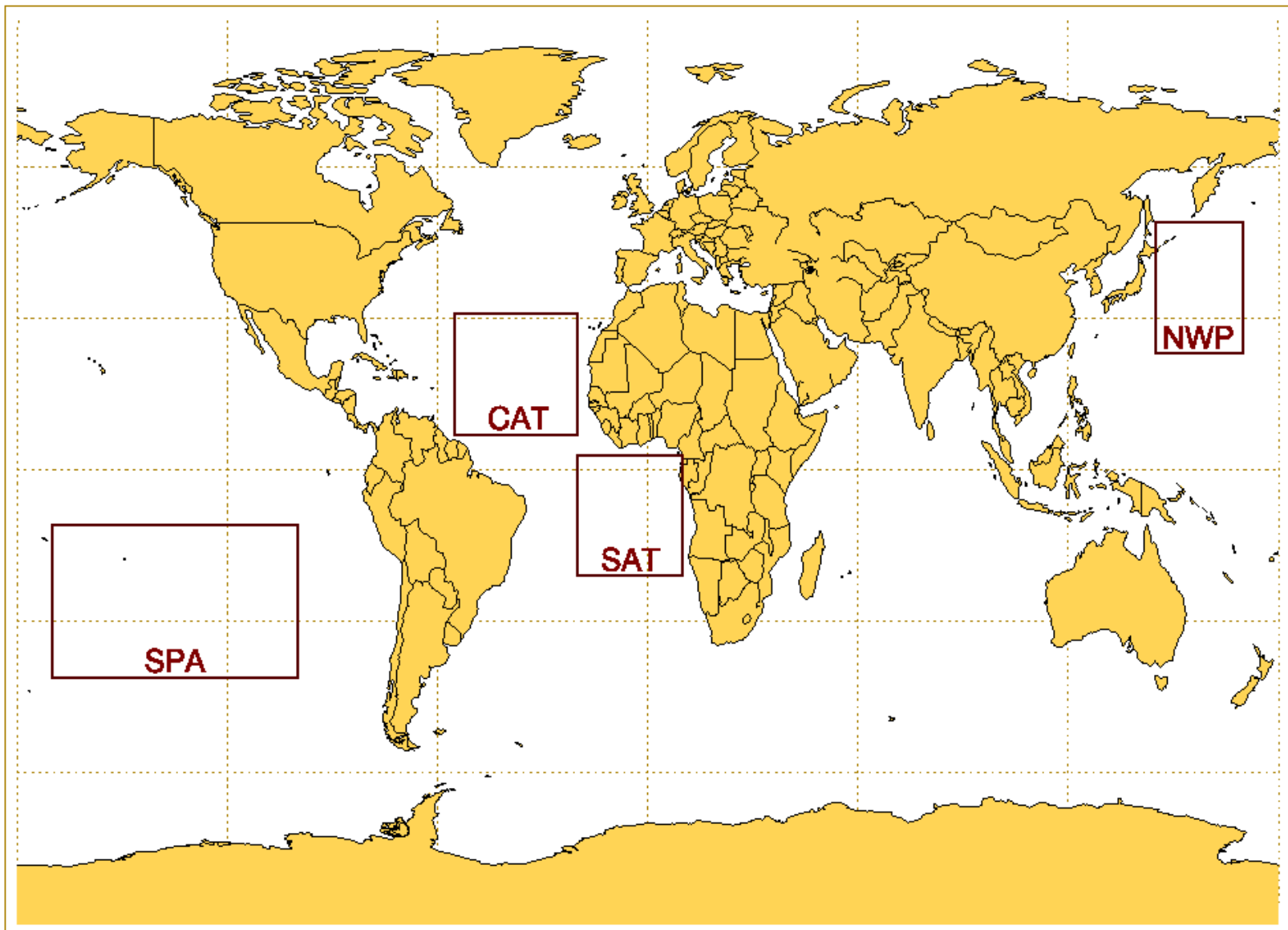
Validation of Global Aerosol Profiles

'SODA' retrieval:
column AOD from ocean surface returns
 (no microphysical assumptions)

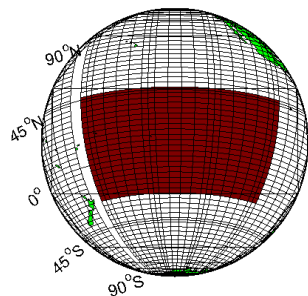


error source	CALIOP	"SODA"
calibration	✓	✓
cloud clearing	✓	✓
detection sensitivity	✓	
lidar ratio	✓	
H2O attenuation		✓
surface reflectance		✓

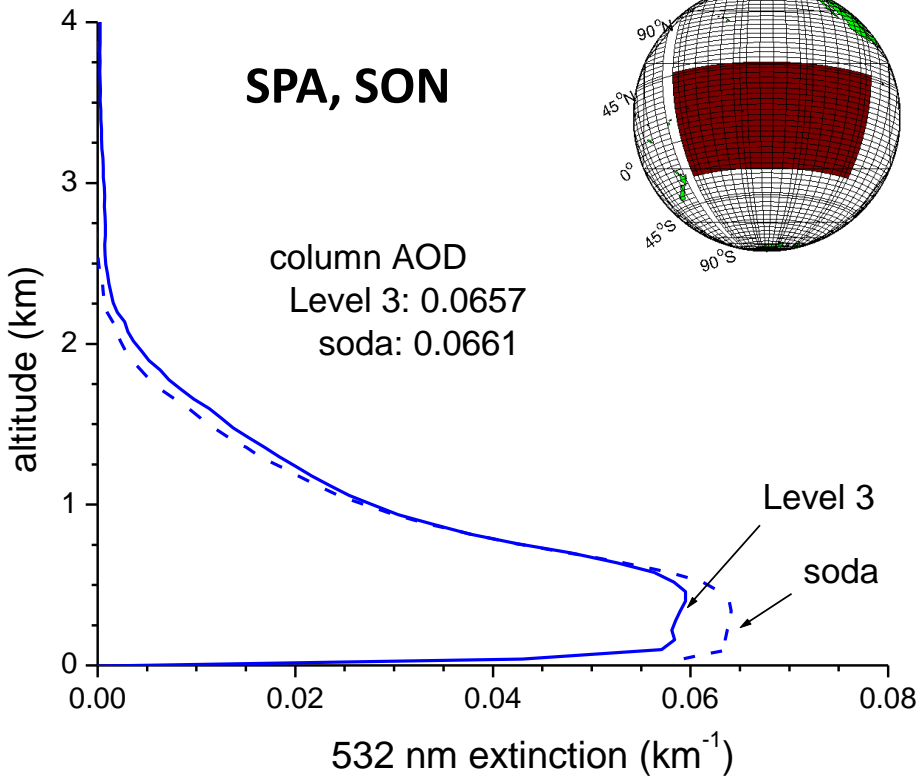
Ocean surface



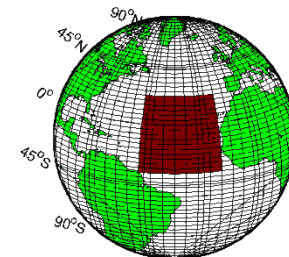
SPA, SON



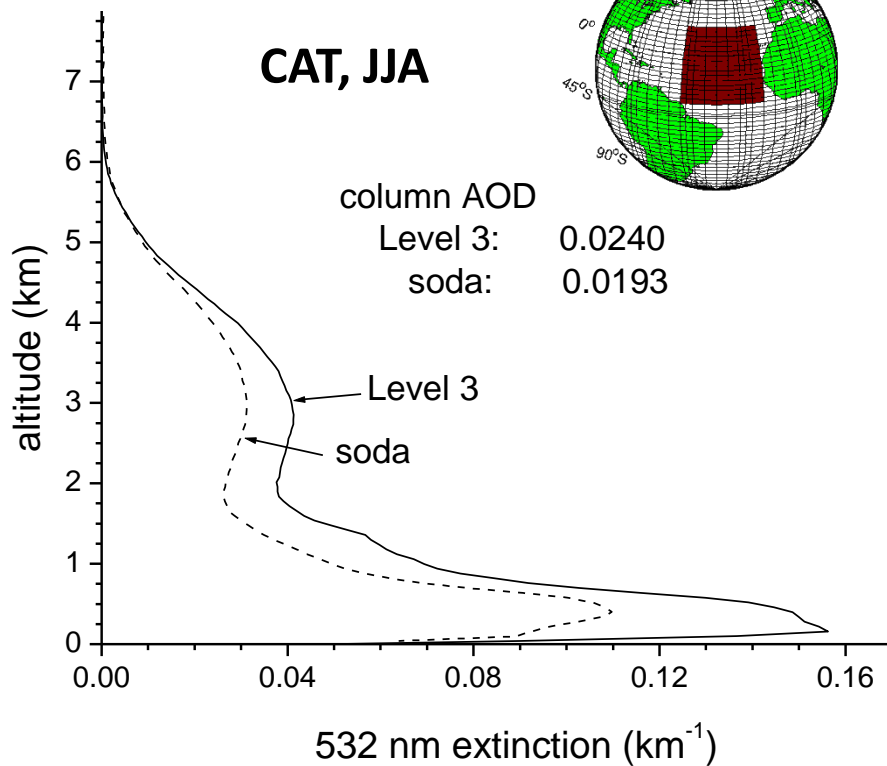
column AOD
Level 3: 0.0657
soda: 0.0661



CAT, JJA



column AOD
Level 3: 0.0240
soda: 0.0193

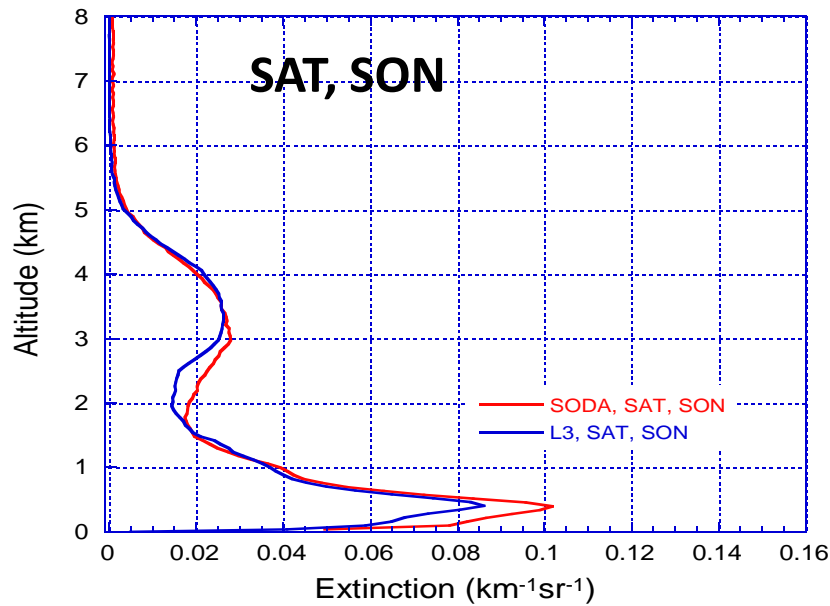
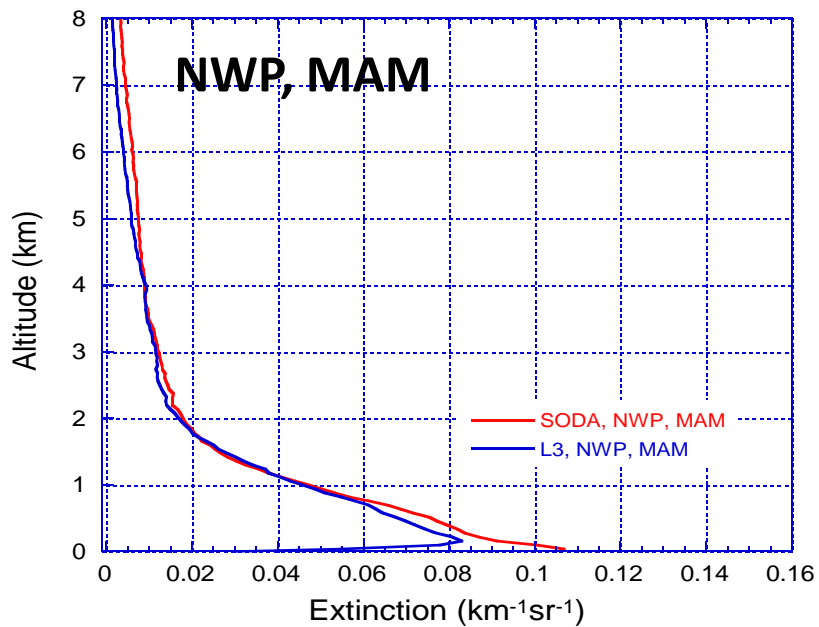
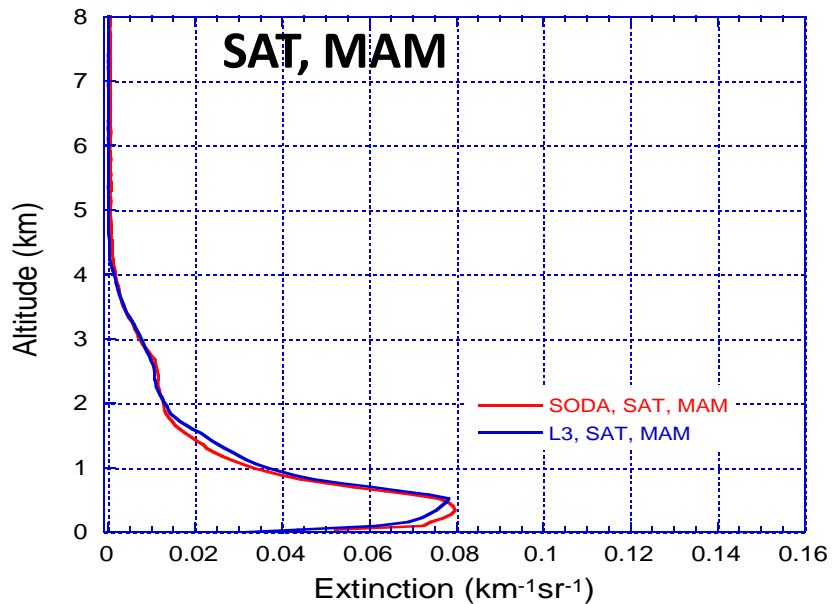
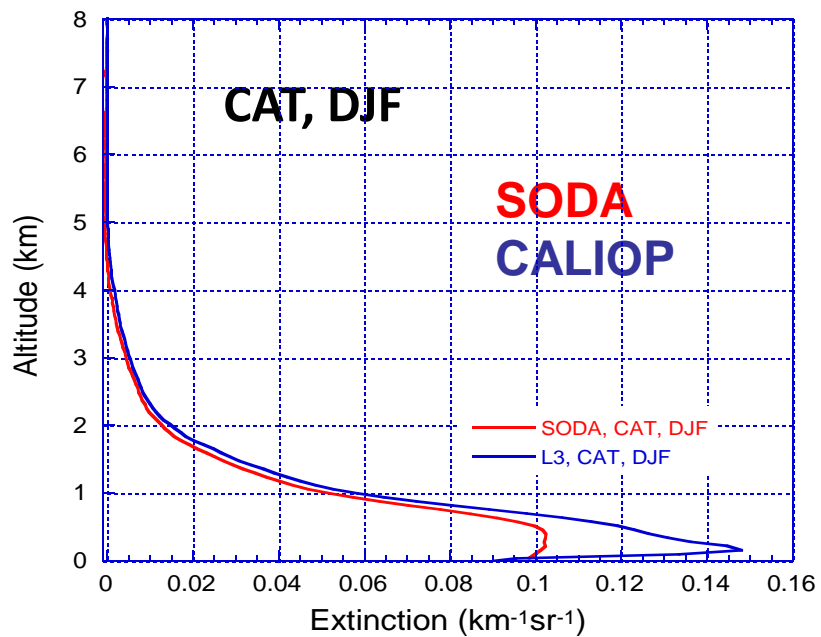


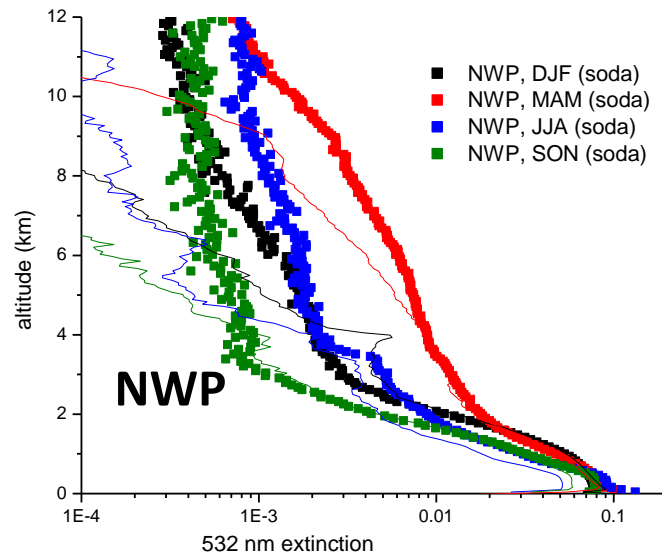
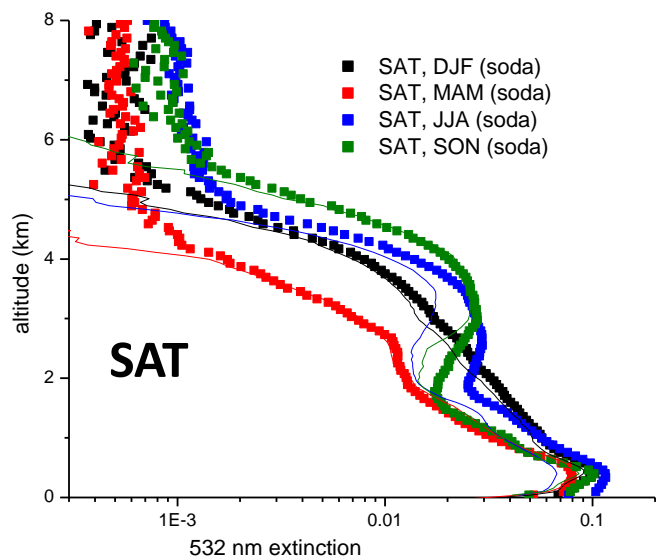
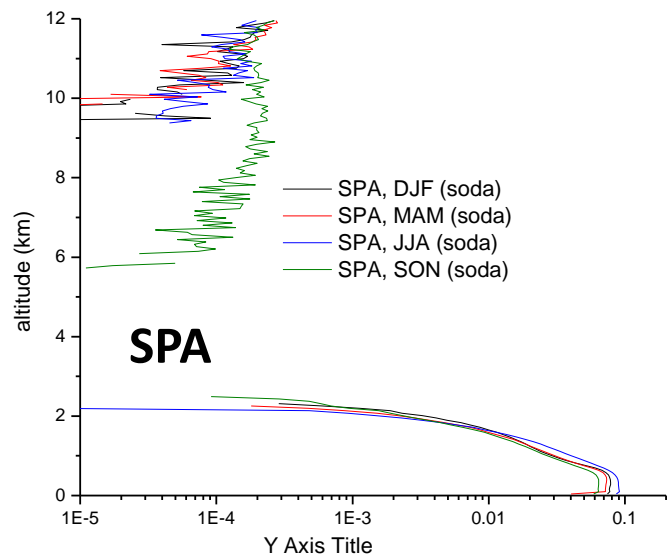
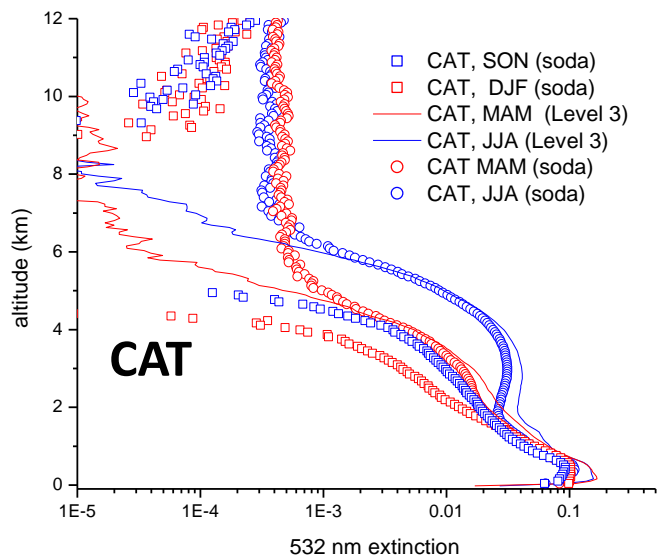
Differences due to:

lidar ratios used (derived vs. estimated)

Level 2 detection limits (> 1 km)

potential AOD error in SODA





Summary of initial profile evaluations

- Level 3 profiles appear to be representative:
 - up to altitudes of 4-6 km
 - for extinction greater than 0.001 km^{-1} (in most regions)
- Comparisons against HSRL and in situ measurements are generally consistent with SODA comparisons
- Even where CALIOP extinction is biased low, bias is no greater than about 0.001 km^{-1}
- Accuracy of full-column retrievals limited by calibration to about 0.001 km^{-1} at best
- Extinction in lowest 120 meters or so is significantly underestimated

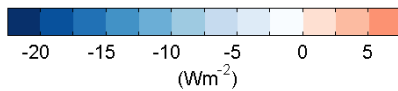
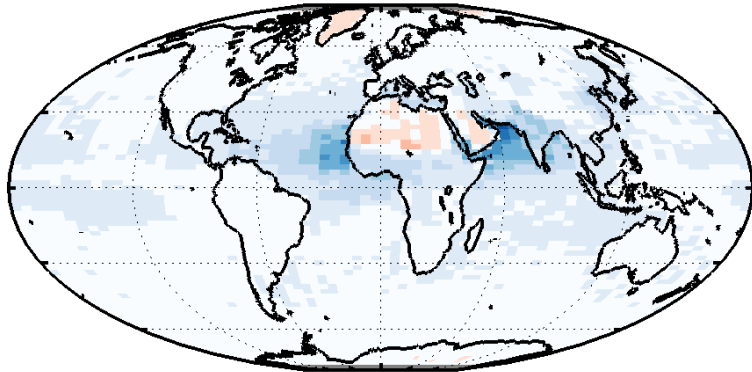
Aerosol DRE, based on C3M product (Kato et al. 2010)

Co-located, merged CALIPSO, CloudSat, CERES, and MODIS data

- Aerosol extinction profiles
 - CALIOP
 - MATCH
 - using assimilated MODIS AOD
 - MATCH used in columns where there is no CALIOP aerosol
- Aerosol type from MATCH, except when CALIOP identifies dust, broadband aerosol optical properties from OPAC (Hess, 1998)
- Cloud profiles and properties
 - CALIOP/CloudSat
 - MODIS
- Broadband RT calculations: up & down LW and SW fluxes using CALIPSO/CloudSat vertical structure above CERES footprints

Diurnally-averaged SW aerosol DRE

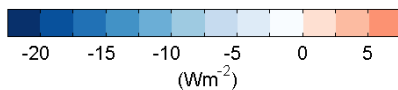
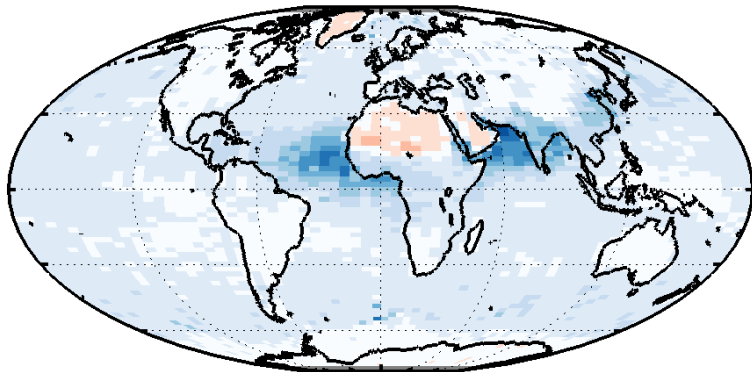
All-Sky Aerosol SW DRF



min: -19.11
max: 4.27
mean: -2.34

$$DRE_{total} = (1 - A_c) DRE_{clr} + A_c DRE_{cldy}$$

Clear-Sky Aerosol SW DRF



min: -17.7
max: 3.93
mean: -3.3

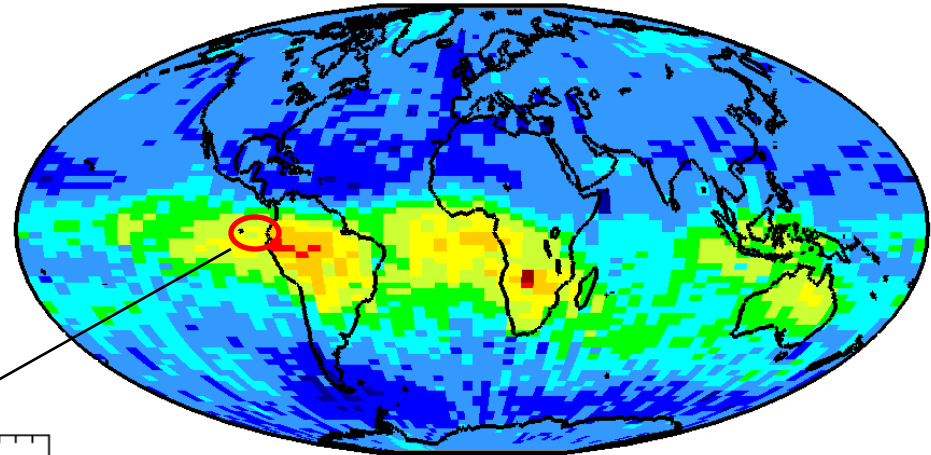
2008 global mean DRE

all-sky	- 2.34 W/m ²
clear-sky	- 3.30 W/m ²
cloudy-sky	-2.27 W/m ²

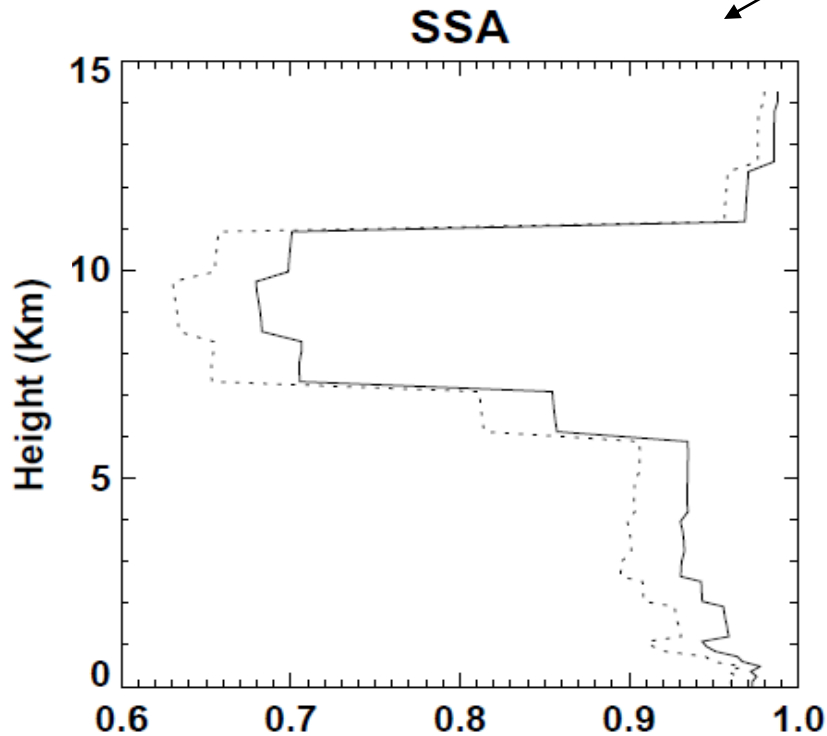
Sensitivity Study

Column-Average Decrease in Single Scattering Albedo, Aug. 2008

- C3M tends to have too little aerosol absorption
- reduce SSA of OPAC smoke components by 0.06 (soot, soluble, insoluble)

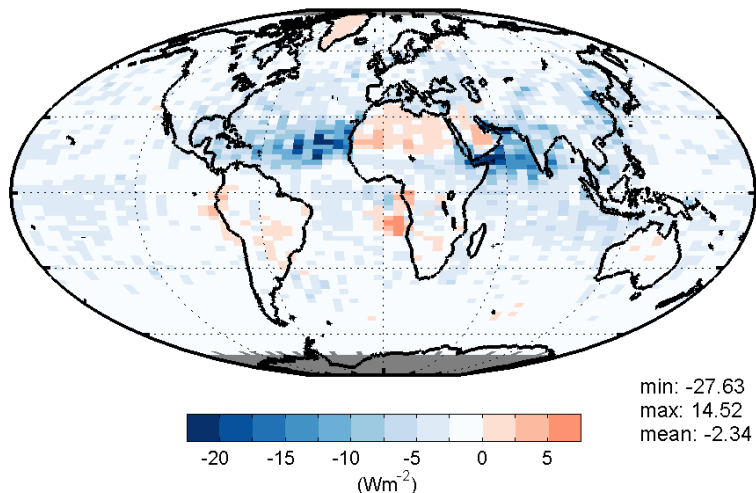


% decrease in SSA



TOA Aerosol DRE

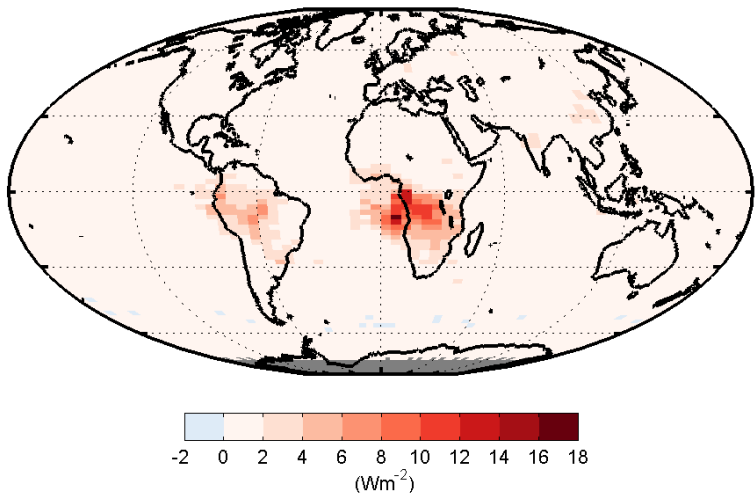
All-Sky, Aug. 2008



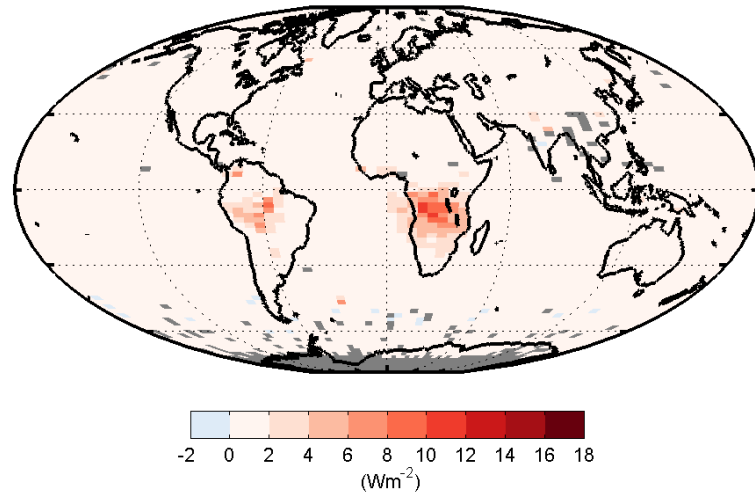
	global DRE (W/m ²)	
	control	reduced ω_o
all-sky	-2.34	-2.06
clear-sky	-3.39	-3.20

	global ocean	
	control	reduced ω_o
all-sky	-2.78	-2.57
clear-sky	-3.99	-3.88

Difference: ω_o reduced - control



Difference: ω_o reduced - control



Next Steps

- Issue improved (“provisional”) Level 3 aerosol dataset
 - Early next year?
- Longer term: improvements to aerosol typing
- Continue DRE sensitivity studies
- Compare standard C3M with CALIOP-only aerosol
- Compute surface radiative effects, atmospheric heating
- Compare with other studies using CALIOP:
 - **Chand et al. (Nat GeoSci, 2009)**
 - **Oikawa & Nakajima (JGR, in review)**
 - **L’Ecuyer (using CloudSat FLXHR-lidar product)**
 - **Redemann (MODIS, PARASOL, OMI, CALIOP)**