

Harmonization of the aerosol modeling in CAMS model and remote sensing approaches



Atmosphere
Monitoring



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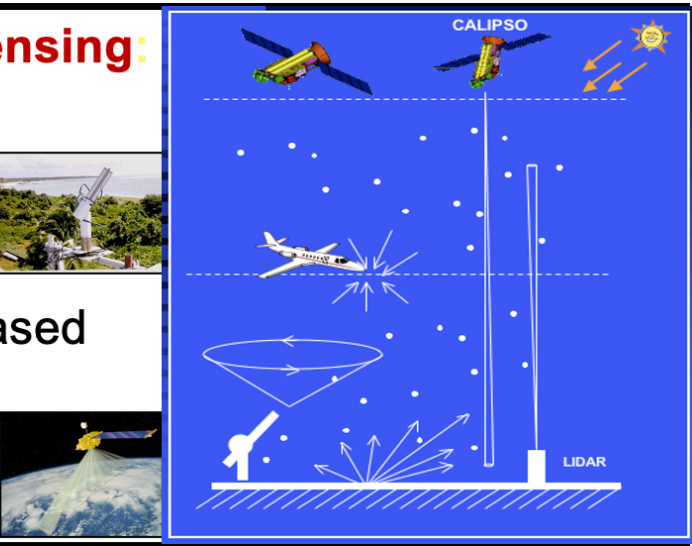
 **GRASP**



Motivation:

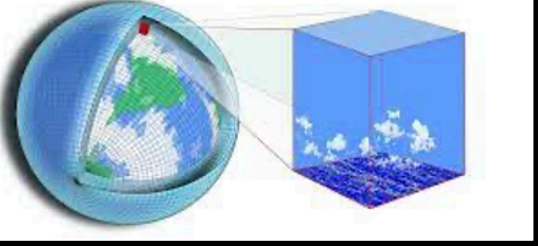
Remote sensing:

- passive
- active
- satellite
- ground-based
- airborne
- etc.




Transport Modeling / Reanalysis:

Spatial and temporal distributions of aerosol microphysical properties



aerosol assumptions are
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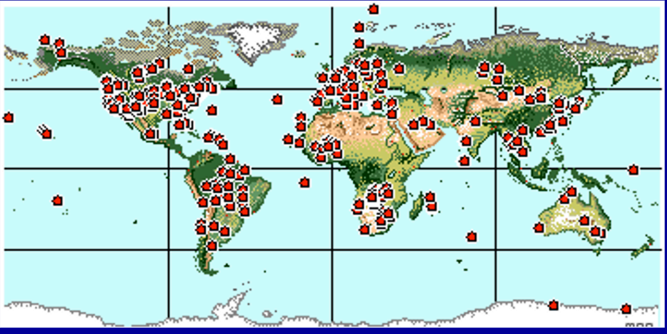
- **Gap** between aerosol modelling approaches used in different remote sensing algorithms and in the global climate models.

CAMS
MERRA-2
MERRA-2
Natural Run

Aerosol components and bins (tracers)

	Aerosol		CAMS	MERRA-2	MERRA-2 Natural Run
1	BC	Hydrophobic	X	X	X
		Hydrophilic	- (X: in new cycle)	X	X
2	OM	Hydrophobic	X	X	X
		Hydrophilic	X	X	X
3	SU Hydrophilic		X	X	X
4	Sea Salt Hydrophilic	SeaSalt1	X	X	X
		SeaSalt2	X	X	X
		SeaSalt3	X	X	X
		SeaSalt	-	X	X
		SeaSalt5	-	X	X
5	Dust	Dust1	X	X	X
		Dust2	X	X	X
		Dust3	X	X	X
		Dust4	-	X	X
		Dust5	-	X	X

AERONET (AErosol RObotic NETwork)-
An internationally Federated Network
 1993-2018



Logos for NASA, CNRS (CENTRE NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE SCIENTIFIQUE), and CNES are visible. An inset image shows an AERONET sun photometer instrument in a field.

Aerosol representation in *Remote Sensing*

AERONET retrieval

<http://aeronet.gsfc.nasa.gov>

Flux measurements

Direct - $\lambda=340, 380, 440, 500, 670, 870, 940, 1020$ nm
 Diffuse - $\lambda=440, 670, 870, 1020$ nm (alm, pp, pol)

Calibration and processing information

Cloud screening and quality control

Aerosol optical depth and perceptible water computations

Inversion products

Volume size distribution ($0.05 < R < 15 \mu\text{m}$),
 refractive index, single scattering albedo
 ($\lambda=440, 670, 870, 1020$ nm), fraction of
 spherical particles

Holben et al.
RSE, 1998
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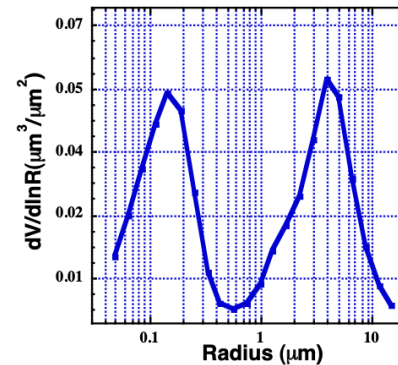
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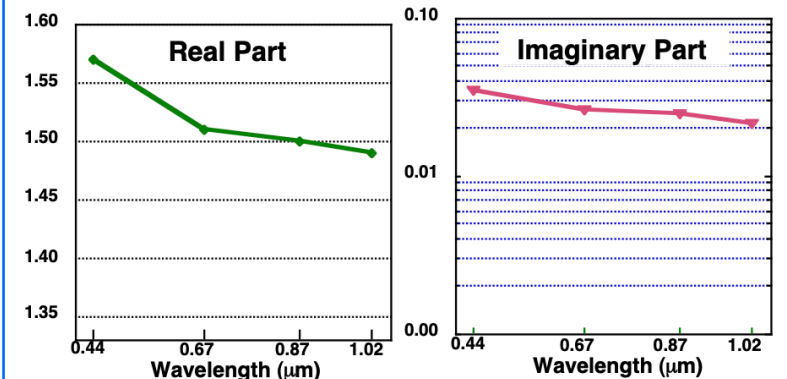
Aerosol is driven by 31 variables in AERONET retrieval :

$dV/d\ln r$ - size distribution (~22 values);
 $n(\lambda)$ and $k(\lambda)$ - ref. index (4 +4 values)
 C_{spher} (%) - spherical fraction (1 value)

Particle Size Distribution: $0.05 \mu\text{m} \leq R \leq 15 \mu\text{m}$



Complex Refractive Index at $\lambda = 0.44; 0.67; 0.87; 1.02 \mu\text{m}$



GRASP: Generalized Retrieval of Atmosphere and Surface Properties

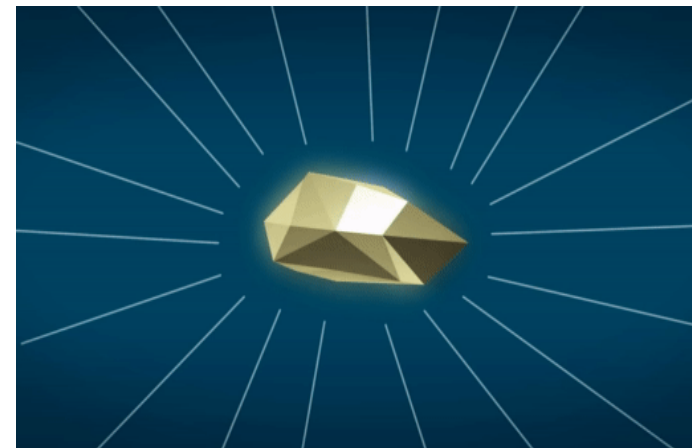
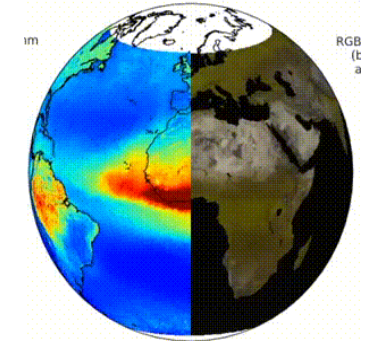
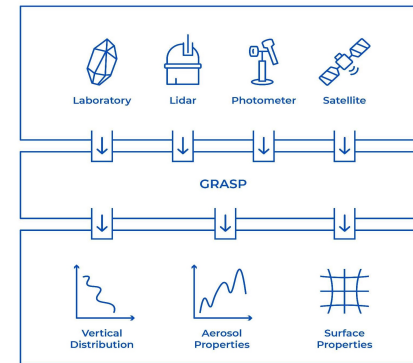
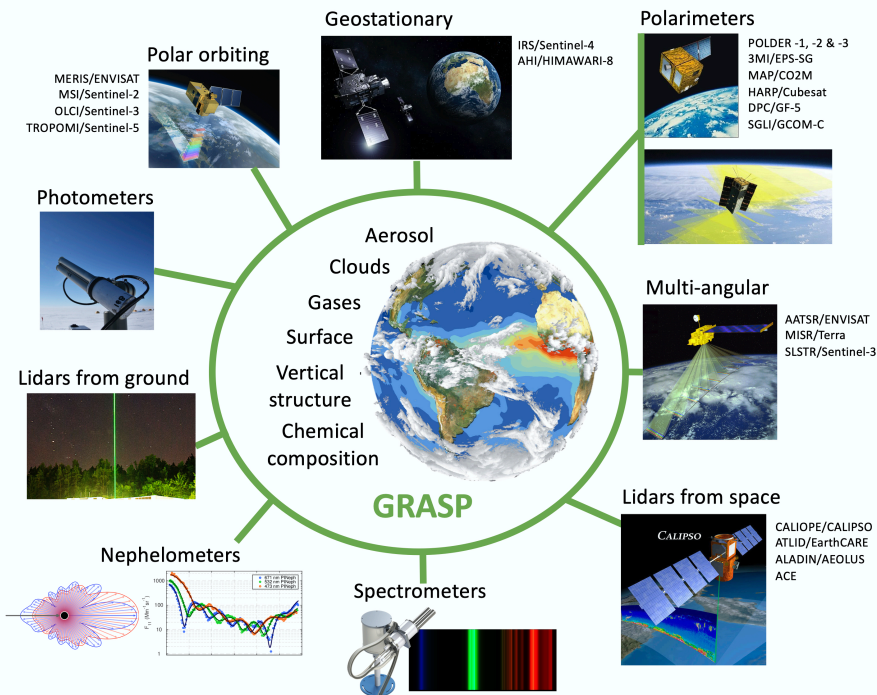
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Inversion with applying *multiple a priori constraints*

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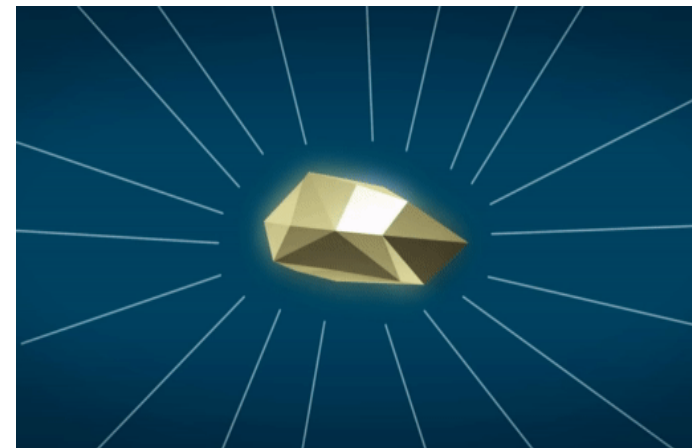
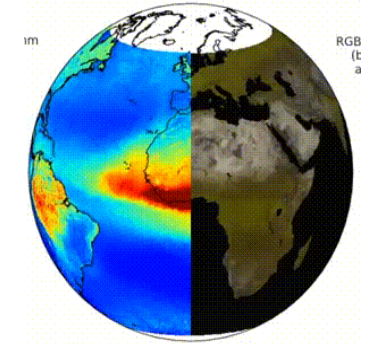
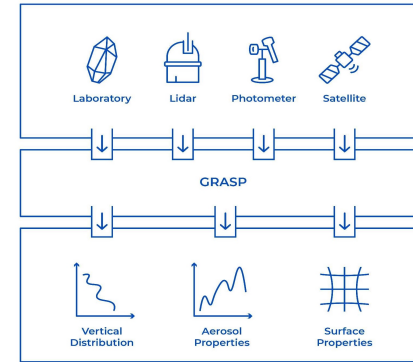
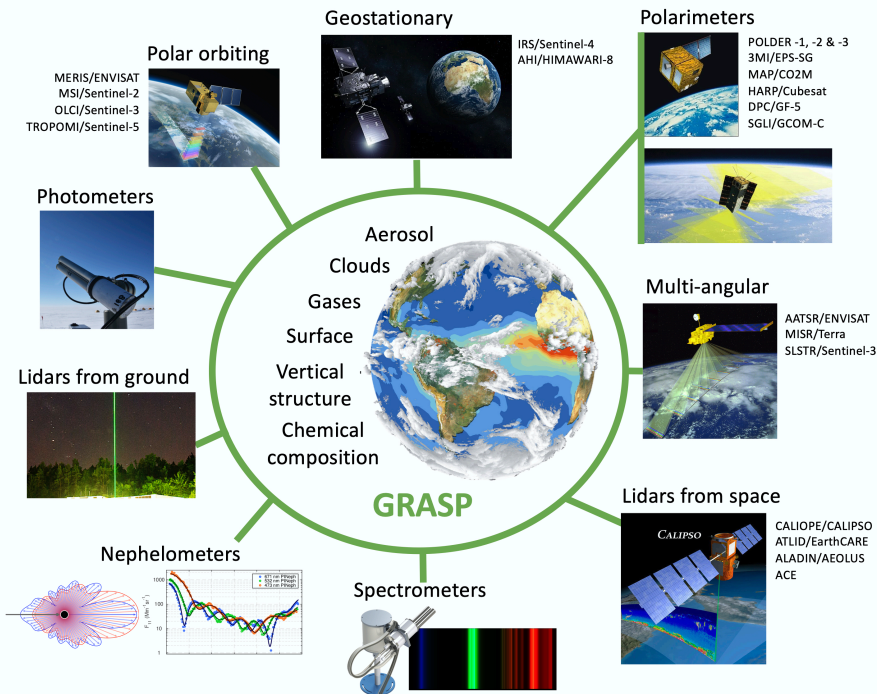
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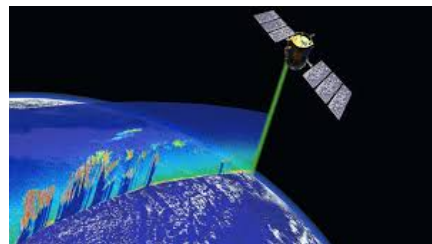
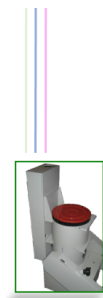
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Angular aspects of different observations



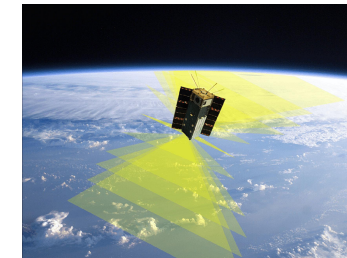
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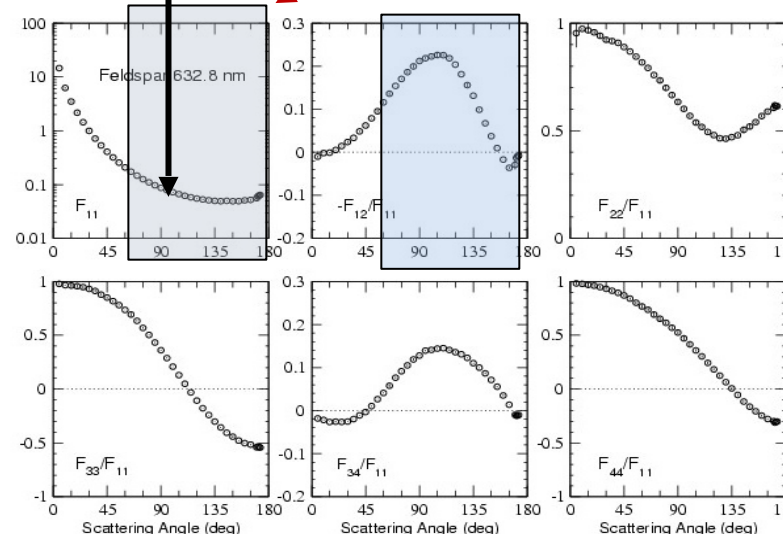
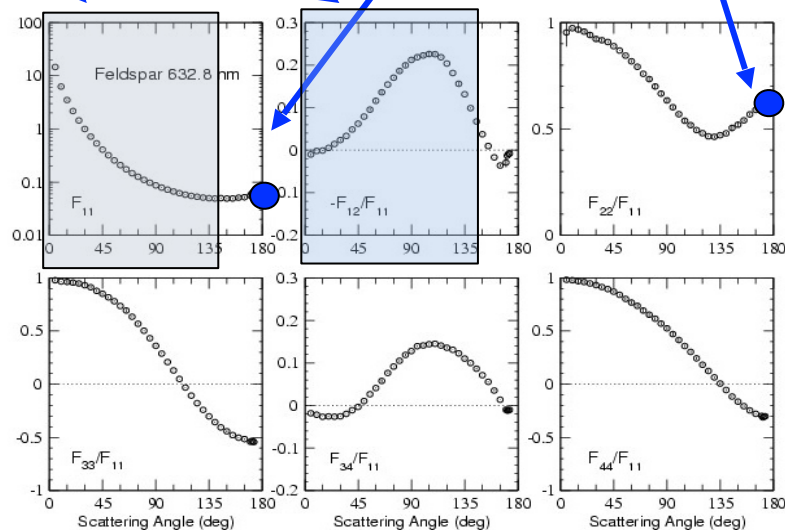
Single-view radiometer



Multi-angular polarimeter



Nephelometer



P_{11} – intensity, P_{12}, P_{22} – state of polarization
size, shape, absorption, refraction

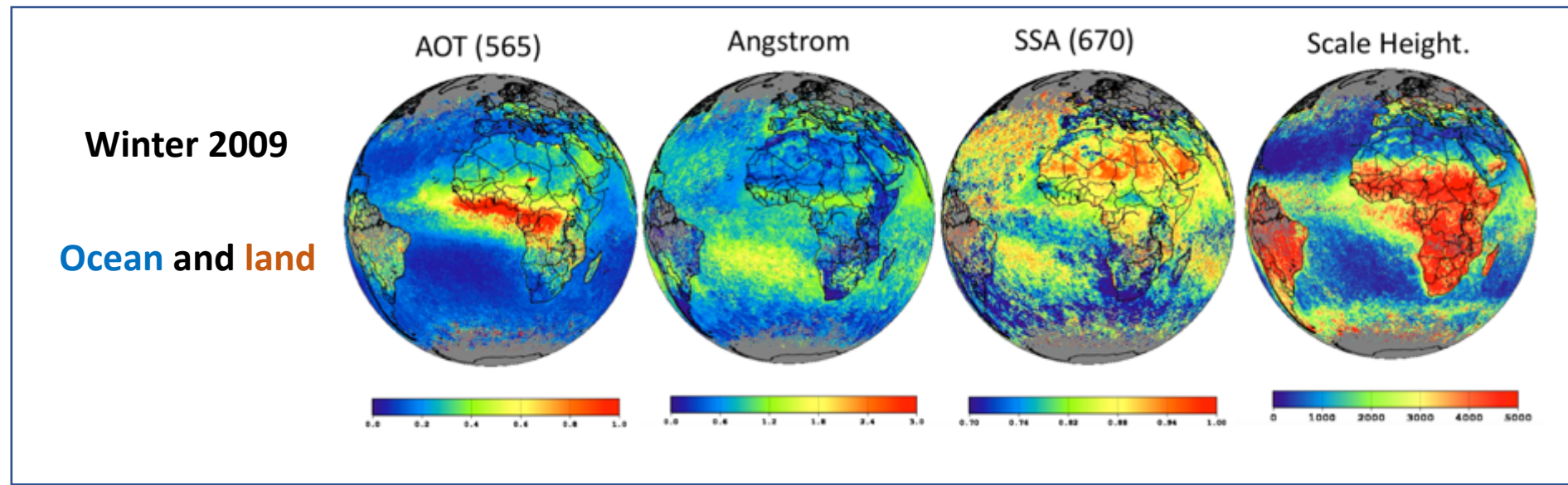
$$\begin{pmatrix} I_s \\ Q_s \\ U_s \\ V_s \end{pmatrix} \propto \begin{pmatrix} P_{11}(\theta) & P_{12}(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ P_{12}(\theta) & P_{22}(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & P_{33}(\theta) & P_{34}(\theta) \\ 0 & 0 & -P_{34}(\theta) & P_{44}(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_i \\ Q_i \\ U_i \\ V_i \end{pmatrix}$$

POLDER/PARASOL

2004-2013

4 products

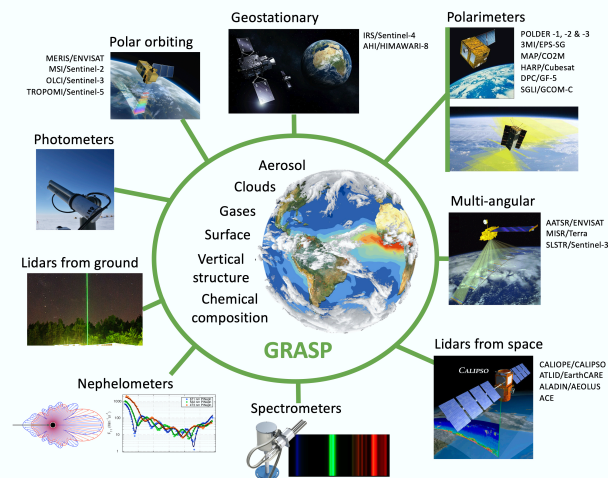
Chen et al., 2020
 Li et al., 2019
 Zhang et al. 2021
 Dubovik et al. 2021



AEROSOL: AOD spectral, AOD fine/coarse, Angstrom, SSA, AAOD, aerosol height, spectral complex index of refraction, sphericity fraction.

SURFACE: land BRDF spectral, BPDF spectral; ocean wind speed and water leaving radiances, etc.

GRASP

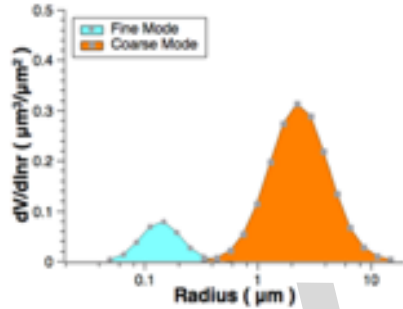


Important features of GRASP retrieval:

- Globally the same initial guess for aerosol;
- Globally the same set of a priori constraints;
- No location specific assumptions;
- Retrieval on 6 km resolution, no averaging;
- Surface retrieved simultaneously

Aerosol model in GRASP:

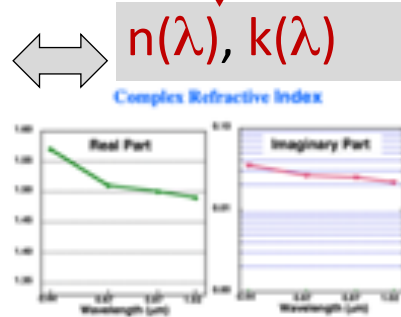
Multi-component mixture of spheres and randomly oriented spheroids



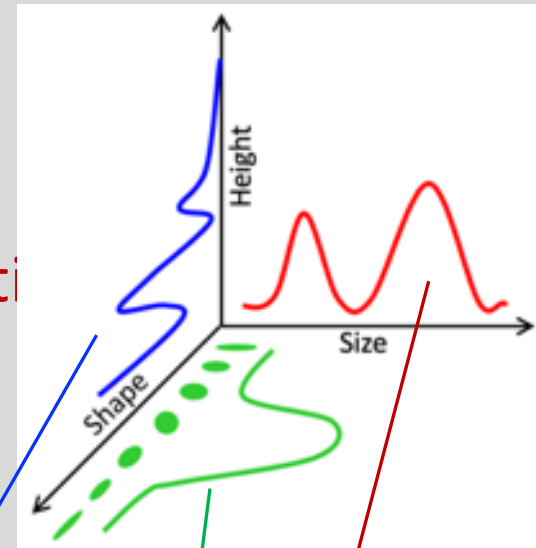
TO be RETRIEVED
OR
ASSUMED



Chemical composition
Internal mixture



Size.
Shape
Vertical
distribution



Measurements:

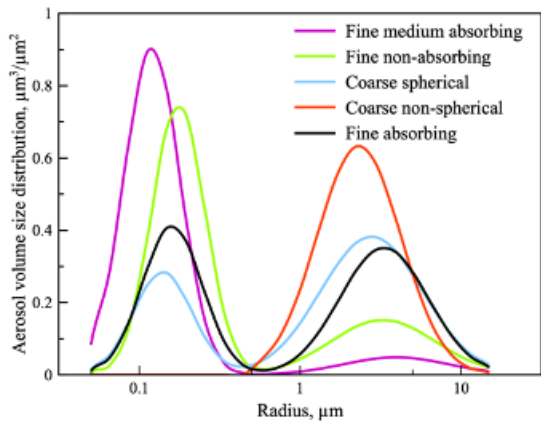
$$\tau_{scat/ext} = \sum_{k=1}^K \left(\int_{h_{min}}^{h_{max}} \int_{\epsilon_{min}}^{\epsilon_{max}} \int_{r_{min}}^{r_{max}} \frac{C_{scat/ext} \left(n_k(\lambda); k_k(\lambda); h; \epsilon; r \right) dV_k(h) dn_k(r) dV_k(r)}{V(r)} dh d\epsilon dr \right)$$

Aerosol modeling approaches in GRASP

1. GRASP 5 aerosol models approach

(Lopatin et al., AMT, 2021)

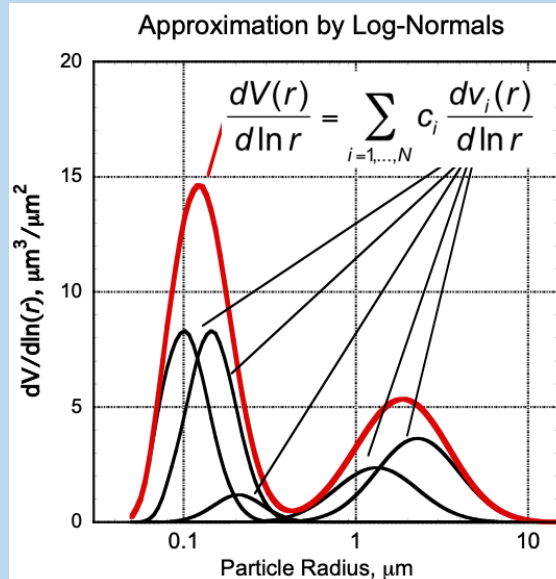
1. Aerosol component concentration
2. Total concentration



2. GRASP 5LN bins: Full Microphysics approach

(Dubovik et al., 2011, 2021)

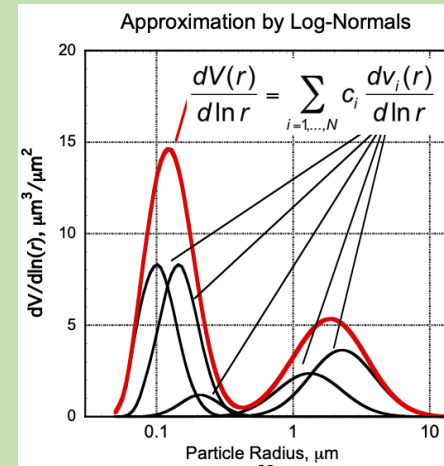
1. 5 LN Bins
2. Total Concentration
3. Non-sphericity
4. Spectral CRI



3. GRASP 5LN Chemical Component approach

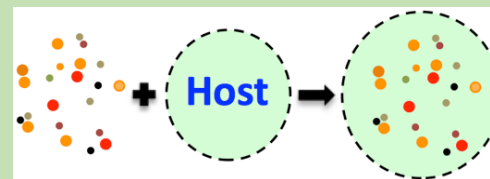
(L. Li et al., ACP, 2019)

1. 5 LN Bins
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3. Chemical Components mixture



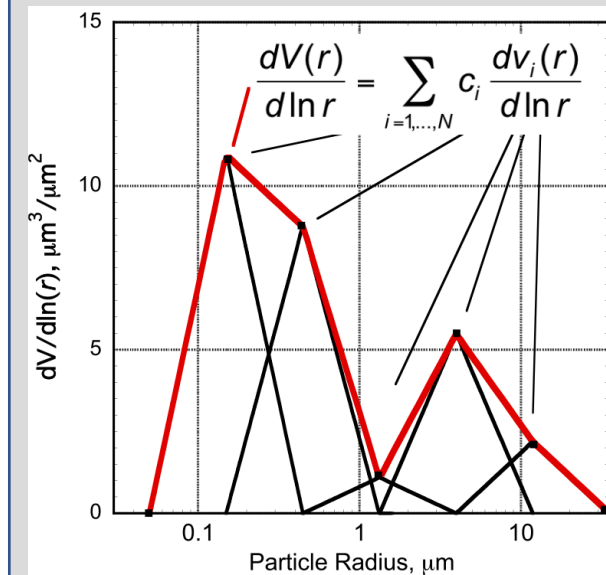
CRI: Maxwell Garnett

effective medium approximation



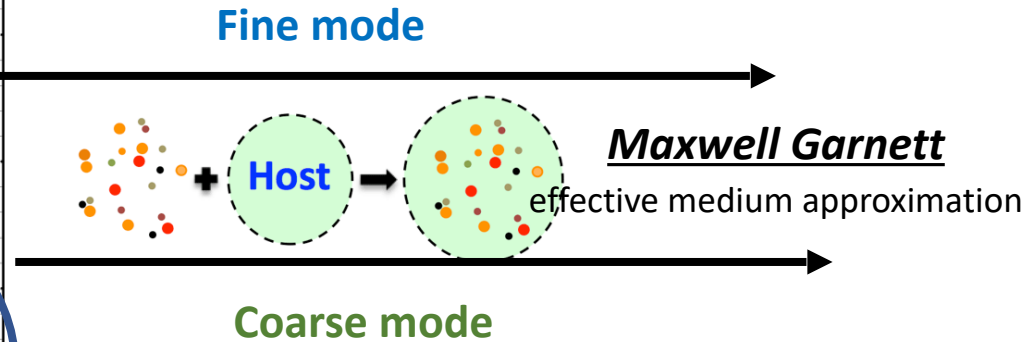
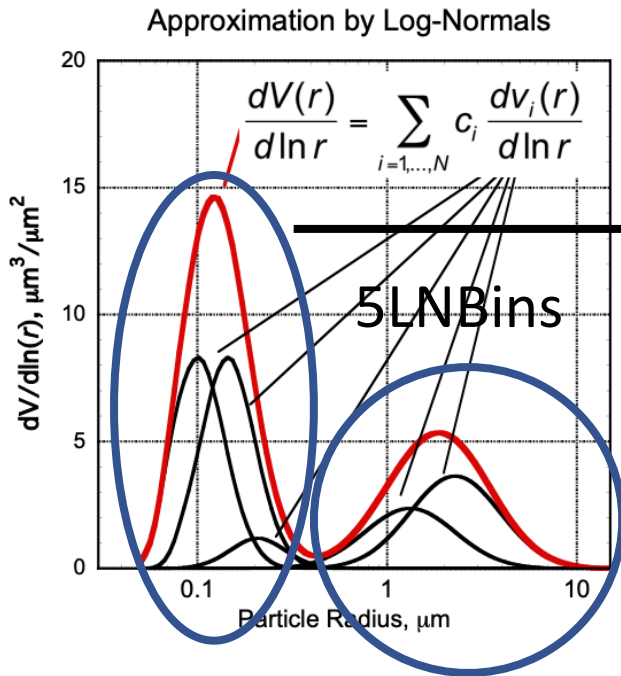
4. GRASP 22 bins: Full Microphysics approach

1. 22 Triangular bins
2. Total Concentration
3. Non-sphericity
4. Spectral CRI



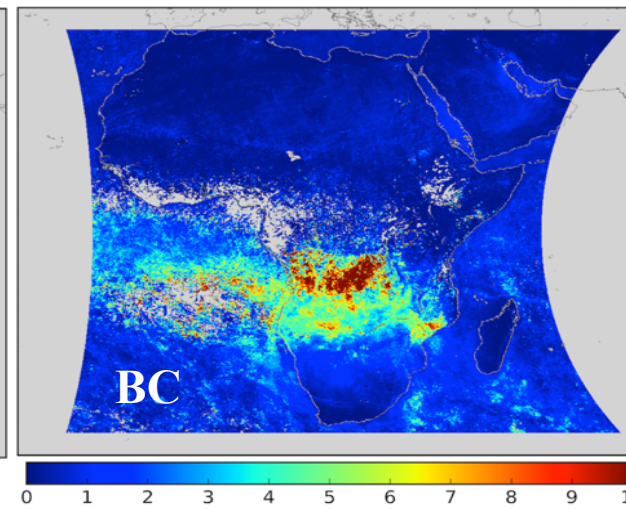
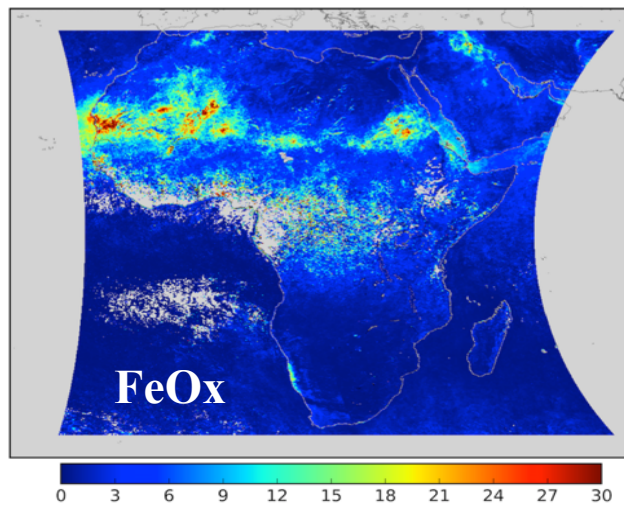
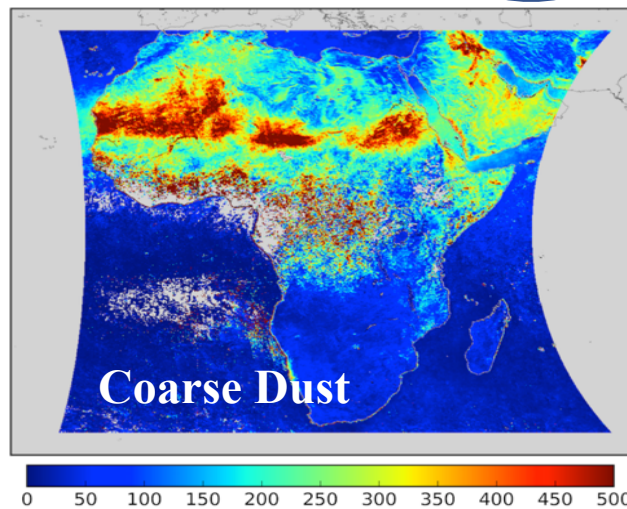
Evolution: GRASP Component approach

(L. Li et al., ACP, 2019)



- BC
 - BrC
 - Non-absorbing soluble
 - Non-absorbing insoluble
 - Water
- Fine mode**

- Absorbing insoluble (FeOx)
 - Non-absorbing insoluble (Dust)
 - Non-absorbing soluble (SS, etc.)
 - Water
- Coarse mode**



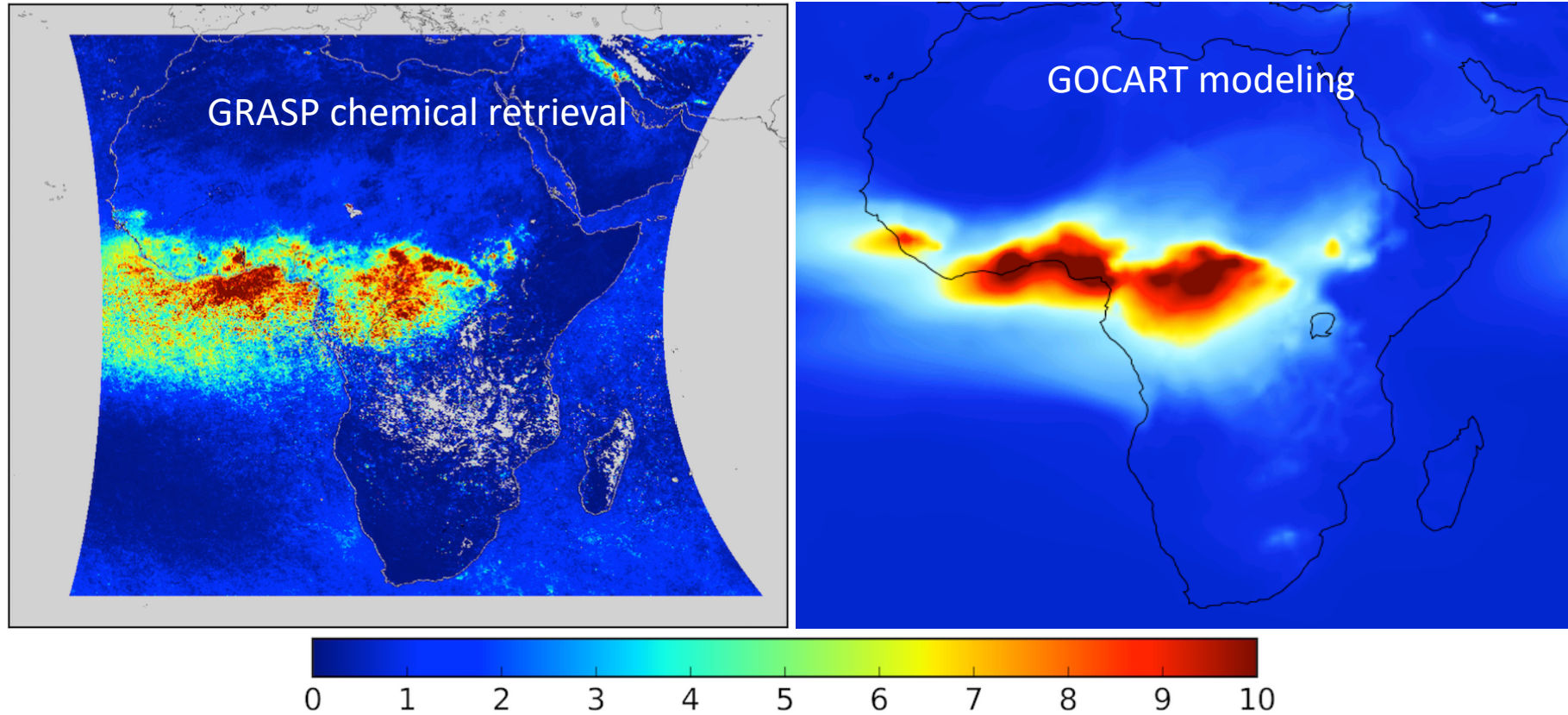
Concentrations volumiques (mg/m³)

Automne 2008

By using **prescribed spectral refractive index** of components, *GRASP/Component approach* provides consistent and stable results for AOD as well as detailed properties.

Example of chemical composition retrieval

Black Carbon mass concentration(mg/m^2) in January 2008



Details are in Li et al. (2019)

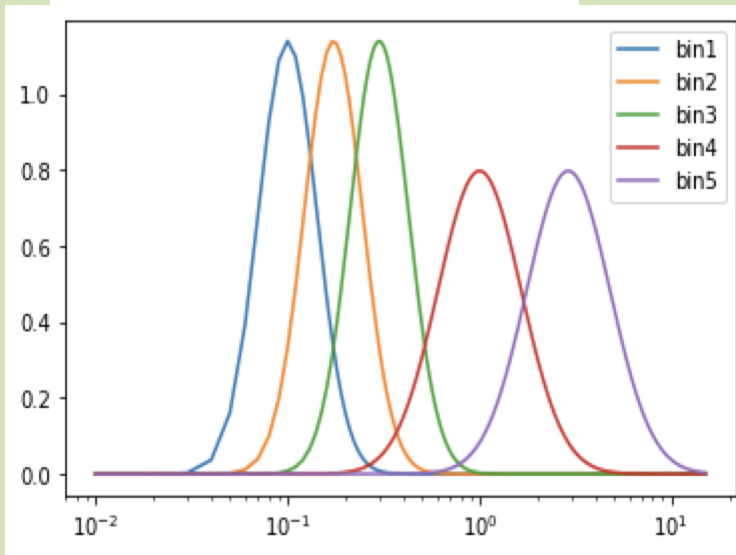
Emission retrievals –Chen et al. (2018, 2019, 2022)

Baseline GRASP aerosol model with 2 modes for

3MI, MAP/CO2M and other sensors

2. GRASP 5LN Chemical Component approach (L. Li et al., ACP, 2019)

- 5 LN Bins
- Non-spherisity
- Chemical Components mixture



	Size distribution	Volume Concentration	BC Hydrophilic	BrC Hydrophilic	SU	Water	Sea Salt	Iron Oxide	Dust Quarts
Fine mode	Bin1, Bin2, Bin3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Coarse mode	Bin4, Bin5	✓					✓	✓	✓

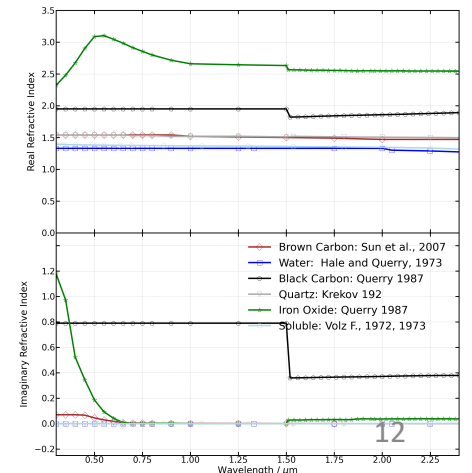
Effective refractive index:

Fine mode :

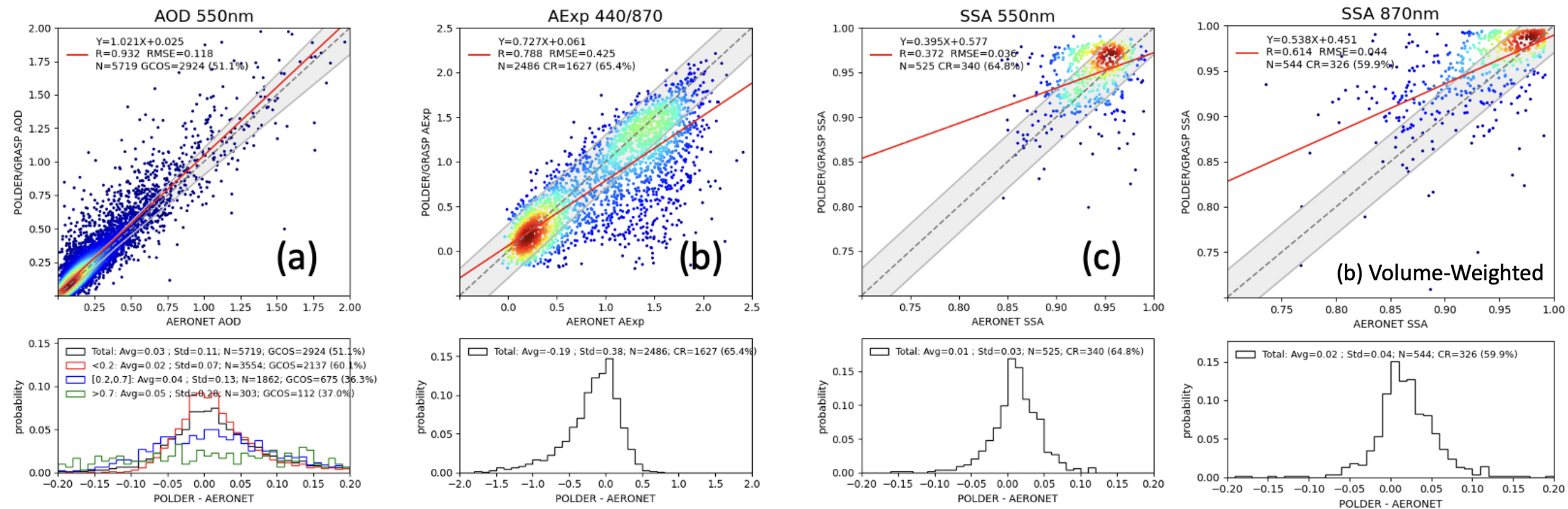
$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{fine} = \hat{m}_{BC} \delta_{BC}^{phil} + \hat{m}_{BrC} \delta_{BrC} + \hat{m}_{SU} \delta_{SU} + \hat{m}_{Water} \delta_{Water}^{fine}$$

Coarse mode:

$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{coarse} = \hat{m}_{Quartz} \delta_{Quartz}^{coarse} + \hat{m}_{Iron} \delta_{FeOx} + \hat{m}_{SeaS} \delta_{SeaS} + \hat{m}_{Water} \delta_{Water}^{coarse}$$

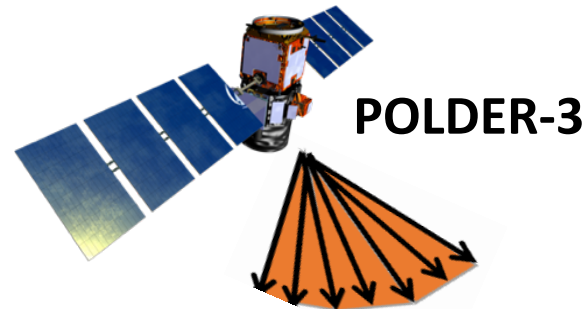
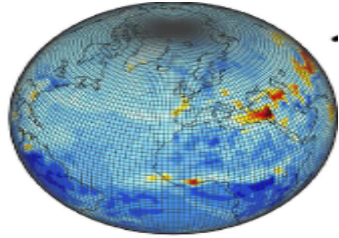


Baseline GRASP **2 modes** approach PARASOL retrievals

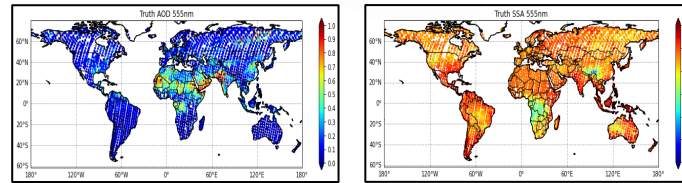


TEST-1: Nature run retrieval

MERA-2/CAMS Global chemistry-transport model



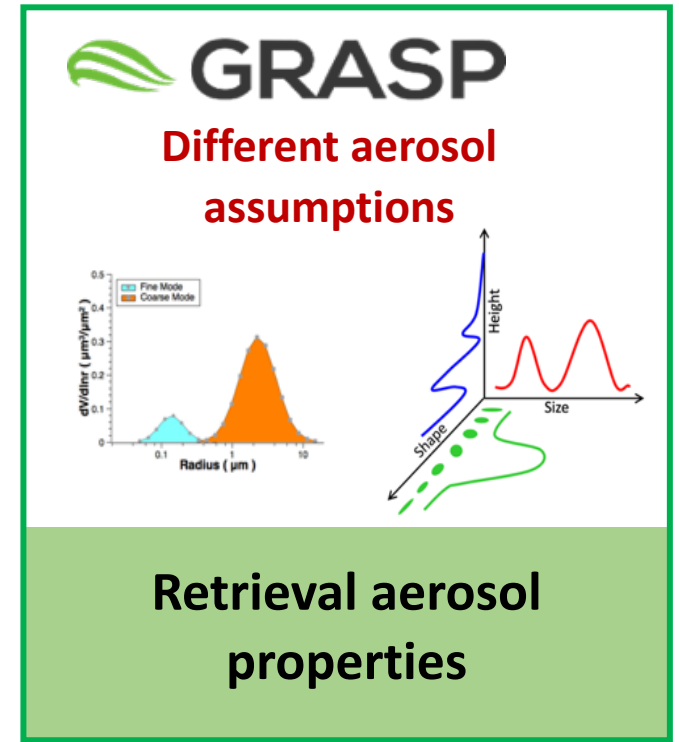
POLDER-3



NATURE RUN
or *pseudo-reality*
BC, OM, SU, Sea Salt, Dust
4-D - mixing ratios;
Variability: time, vertical,
horizontal



Simulation of
POLDER-3
measurements



Retrieval aerosol
properties



Aerosol columnar
properties
AOD, AE, SSA, etc.

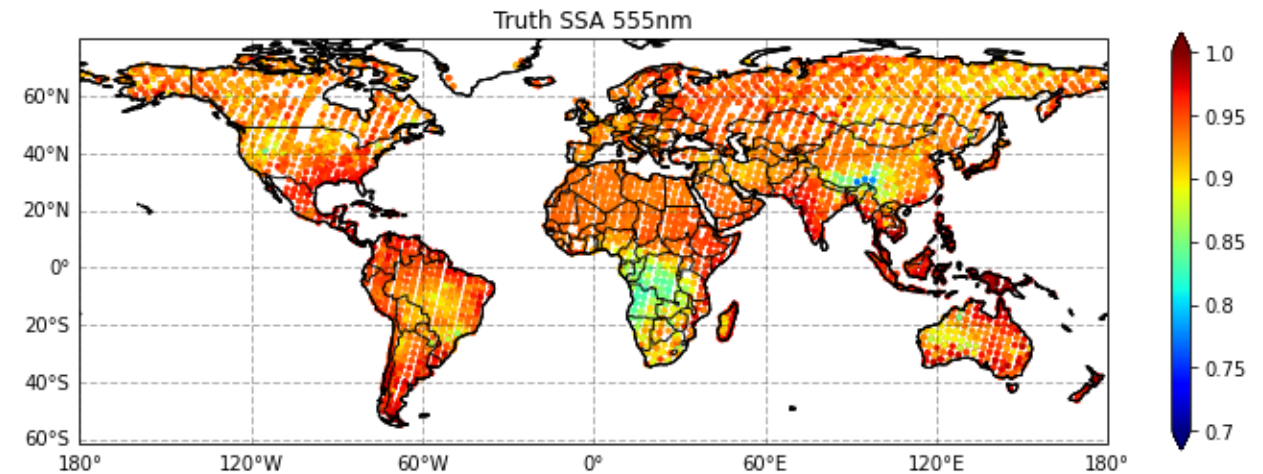
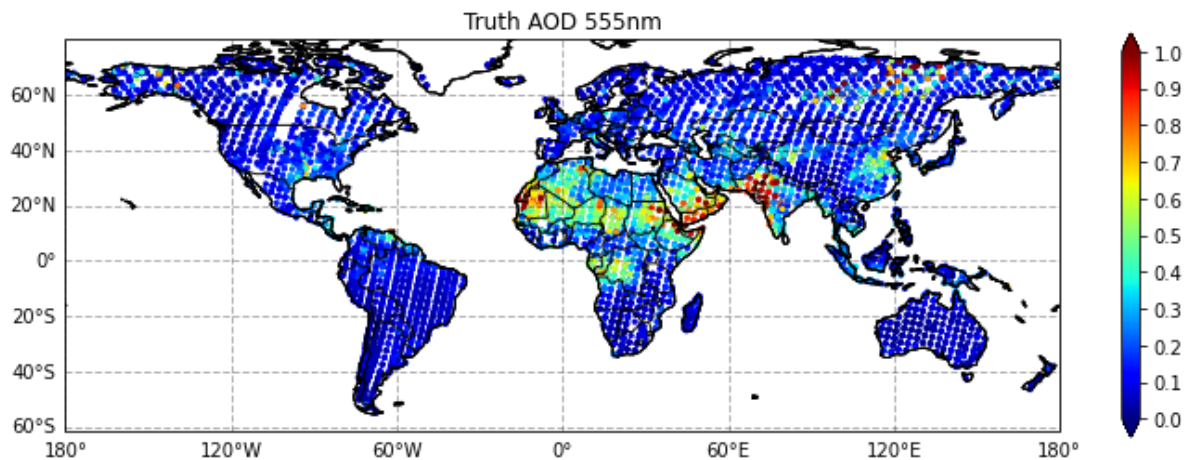
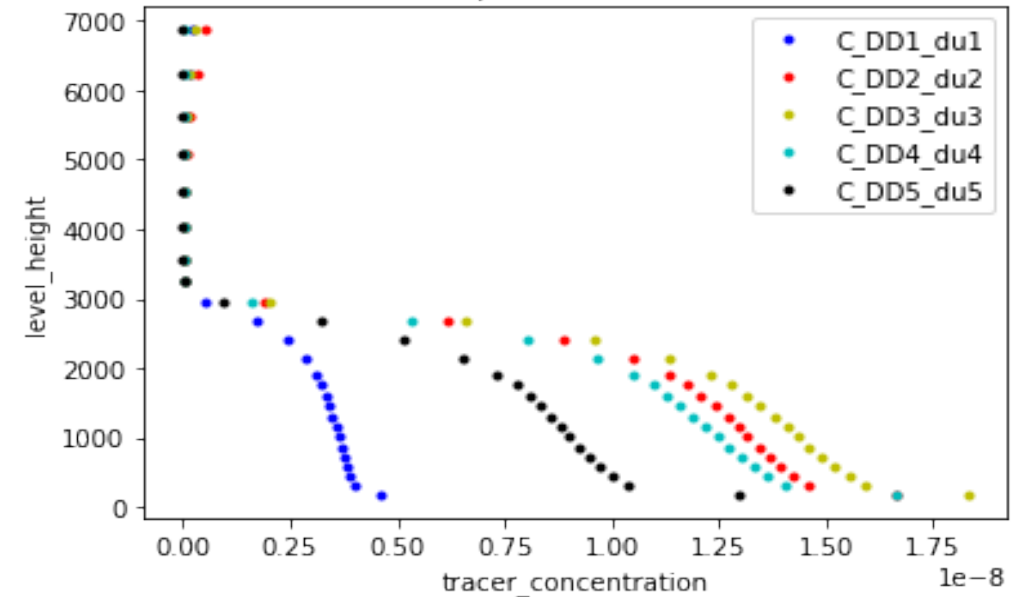


Comparison
« reality » vs retrieval

Synthetic dataset

Based on CAMS aerosol model

- Pressure, Relative, humidity profiles
- Mass mixing ratio
- 11 aerosol tracers and level concentration for 5 aerosol species : Sulphate (SU), Desert dust (DU), Sea Salt (SS), Organic (OC) and Black Carbon (BC)

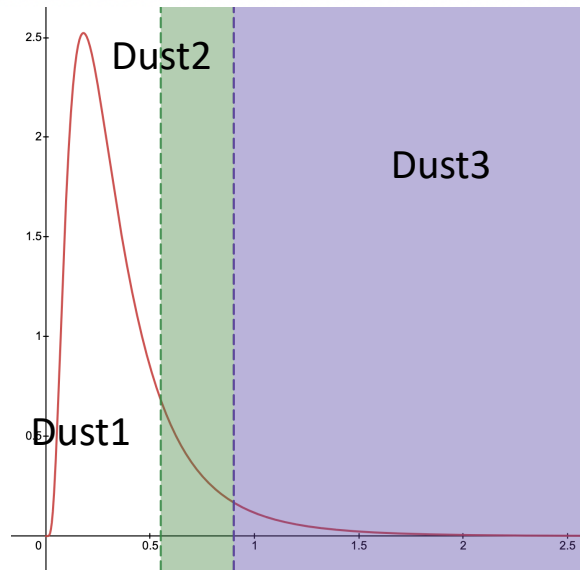


Size distribution in CAMS/MERRA-2 versus GRASP

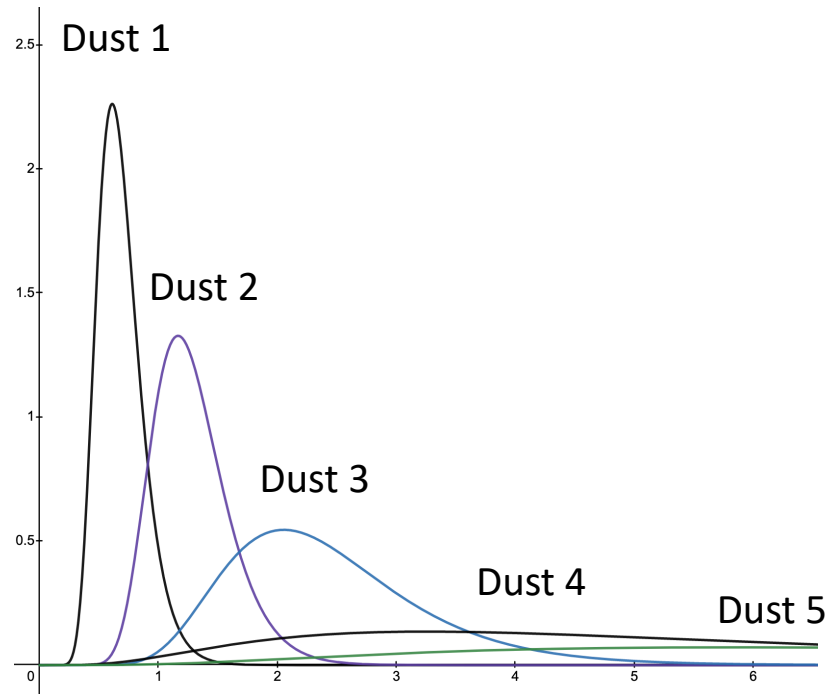
- The way of cutting the size distribution to define bins for Dust and Sea Salt in CAMS looks very different from the one used in remote sensing retrieval where SD is smooth function.

Dust bins from CAMS (OC and up to cycle 47R3)

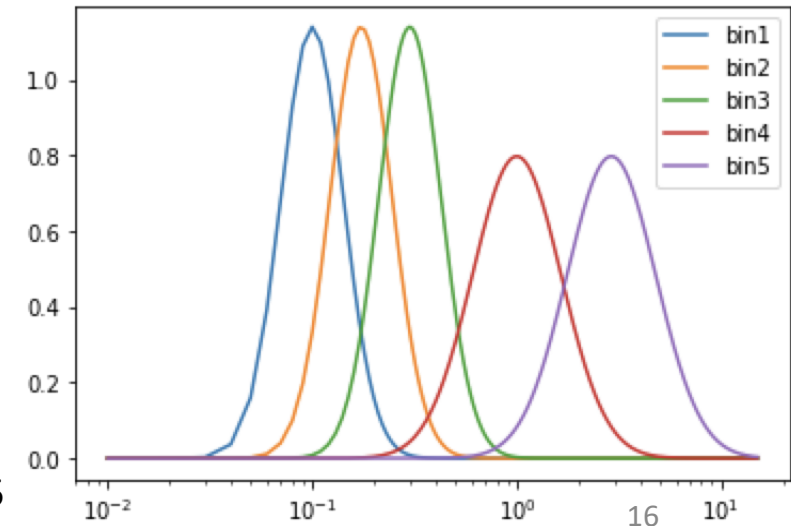
$$n(r) = \frac{dN(r)}{dr} = \frac{N}{\sqrt{2\pi r \ln(\sigma)}} \exp\left(-\frac{\ln^2(r/r_{\text{mod}})}{2\ln^2(\sigma)}\right)$$



Dust tracer from MERRA2 Natural Run

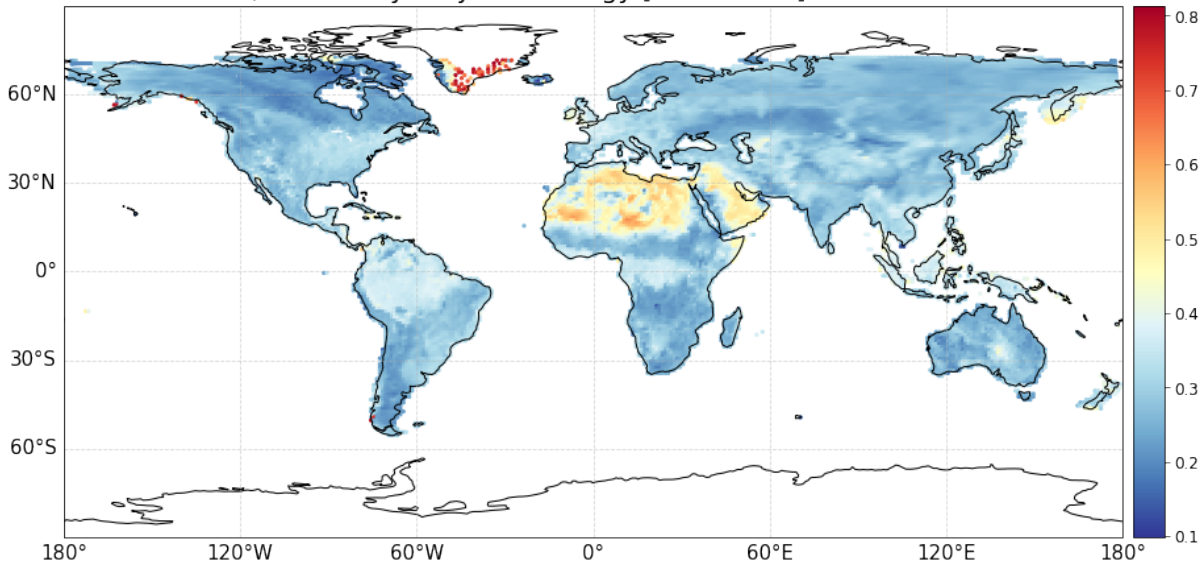


GRASP 5 LN SD bins

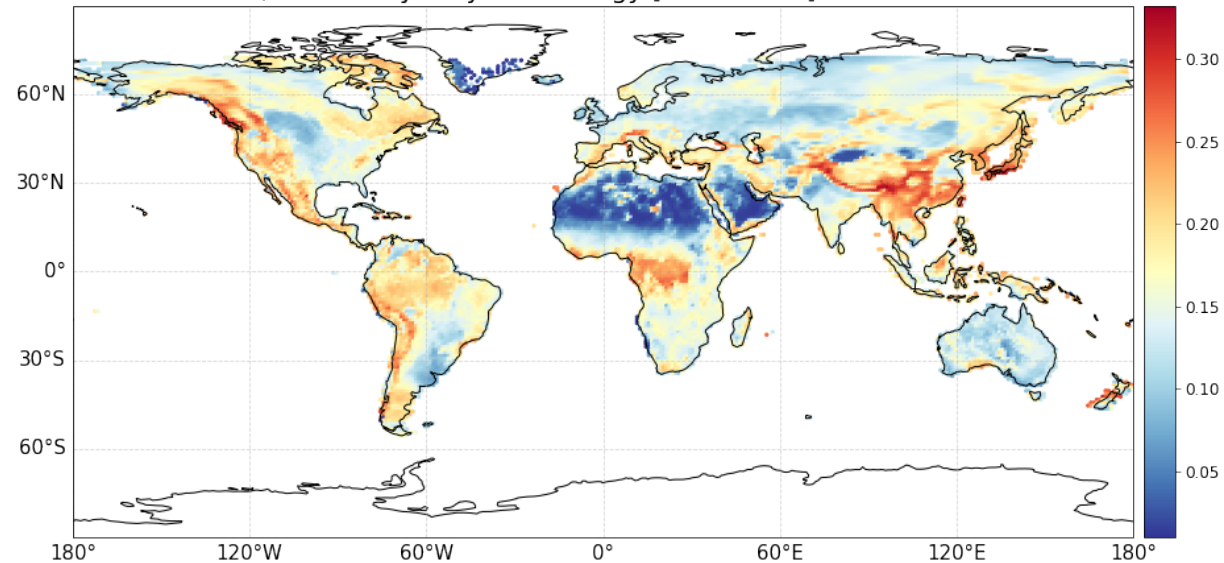


Surface simulation: BRDF and BPDF

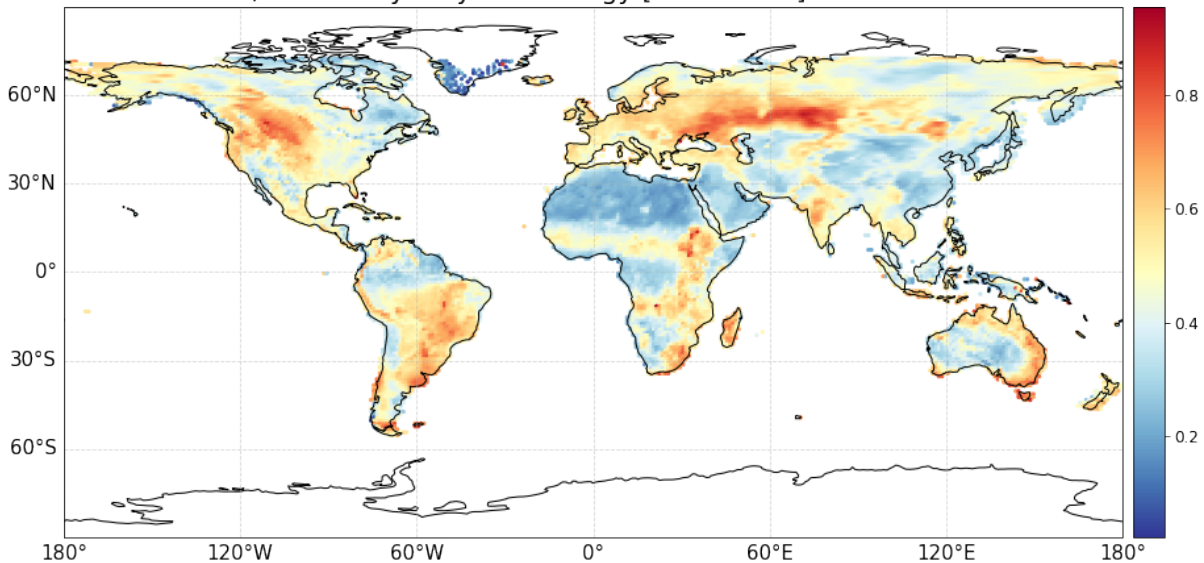
GRASP/PARASOL yearly climatology [2005-2013] - BRDF1 865nm



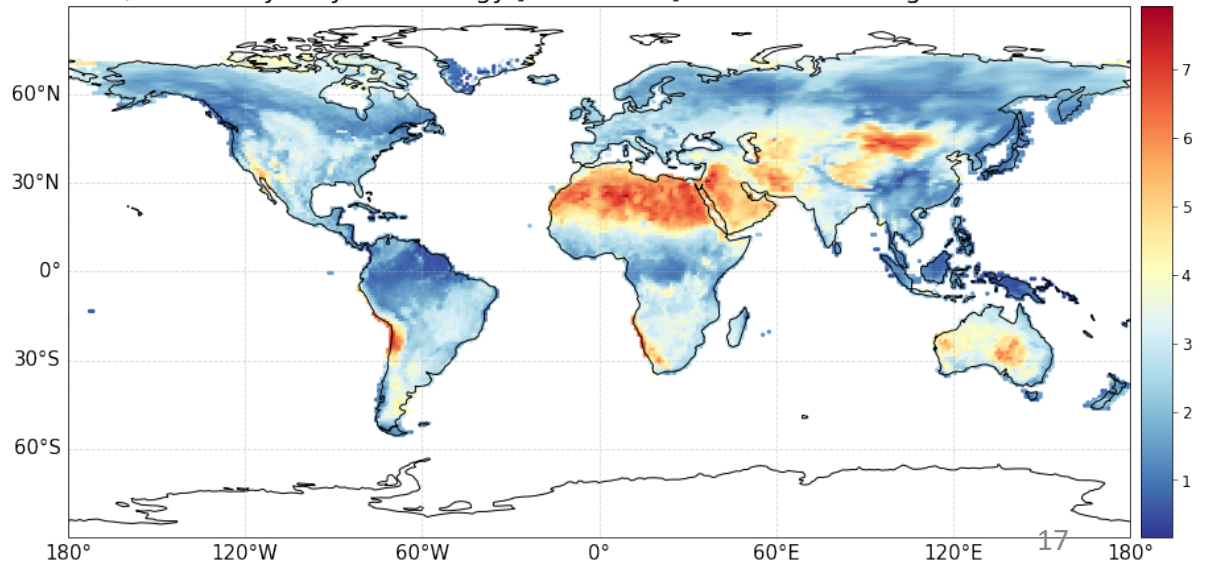
GRASP/PARASOL yearly climatology [2005-2013] - BRDF3 865nm



GRASP/PARASOL yearly climatology [2005-2013] - BRDF2 865nm

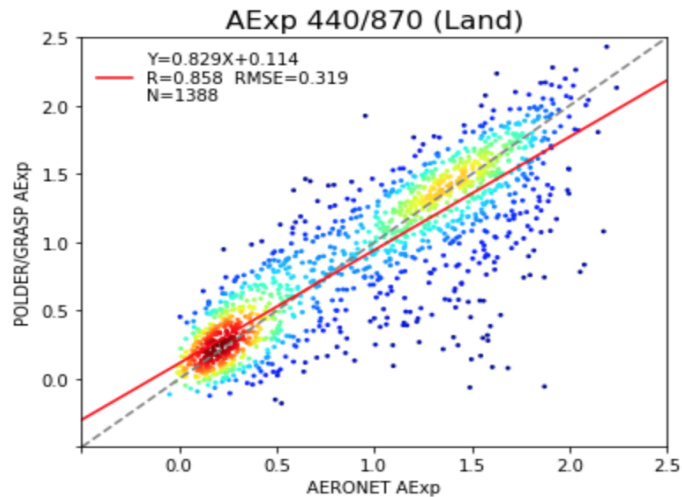
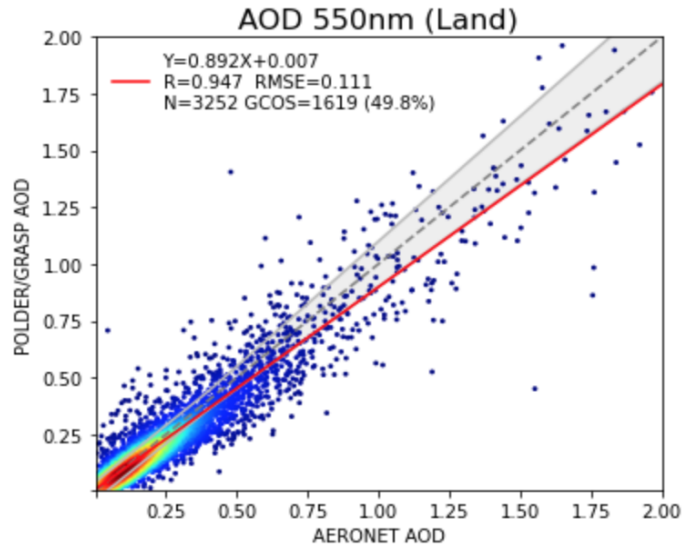


GRASP/PARASOL yearly climatology [2005-2013] - Land BPDF Maignan Breon 670nm



GRASP/Component approach performance

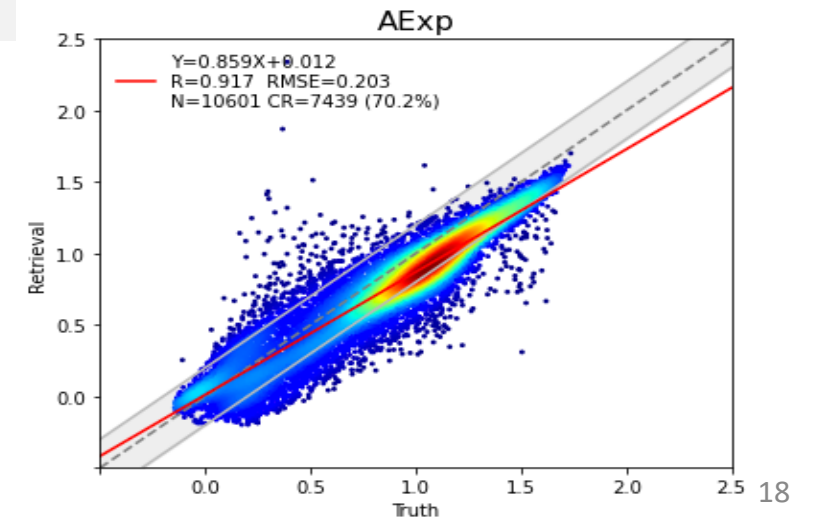
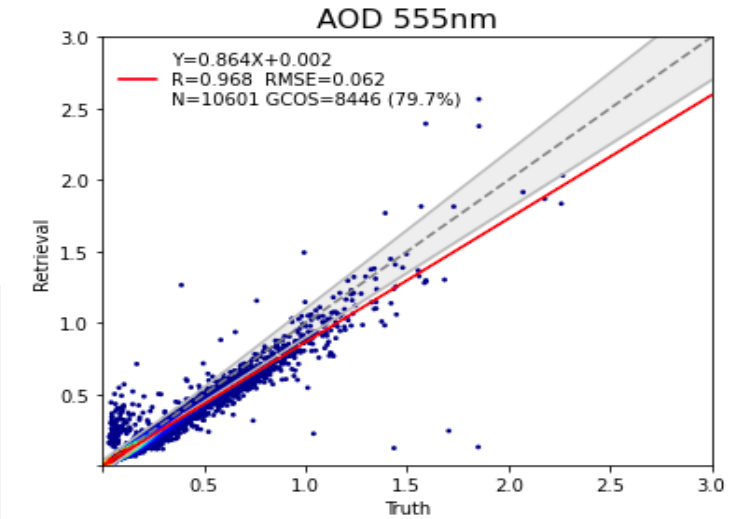
POLDER-3 retrieval (2008)



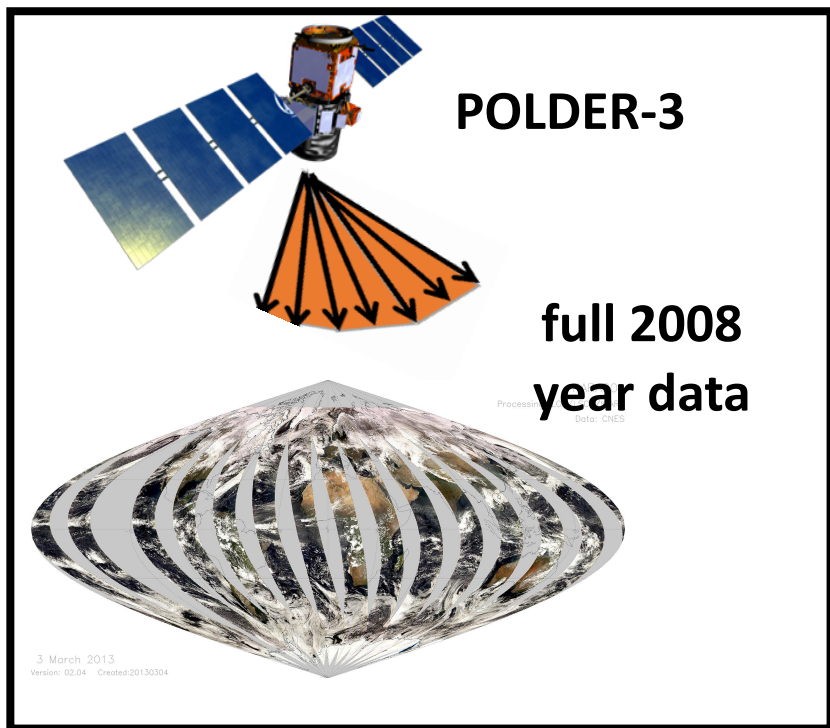
Over land

Remote sensing
approach
works well
on synthetic data

MERA-2 synthetic data inversion



TEST-2: reality test



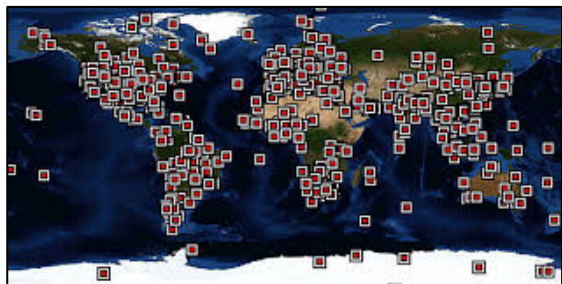
retrieval from
REAL data



GRASP
Different aerosol assumptions

Retrieval aerosol properties

The GRASP logo is at the top left. Below it, the text 'Different aerosol assumptions' is in red. The main part of the image contains two diagrams. On the left is a 2D plot of aerosol volume concentration $dV/dlnr$ (in $\mu\text{m}^3/\mu\text{m}^2$) versus Radius (in μm). It shows two peaks: a smaller cyan one labeled 'Fine Mode' and a larger orange one labeled 'Coarse Mode'. On the right is a 3D plot with axes for Height, Size, and Shape. It shows a blue line for Height, a red line for Size, and a green line for Shape, with green dots representing aerosol particles at different heights and sizes.



AERONET

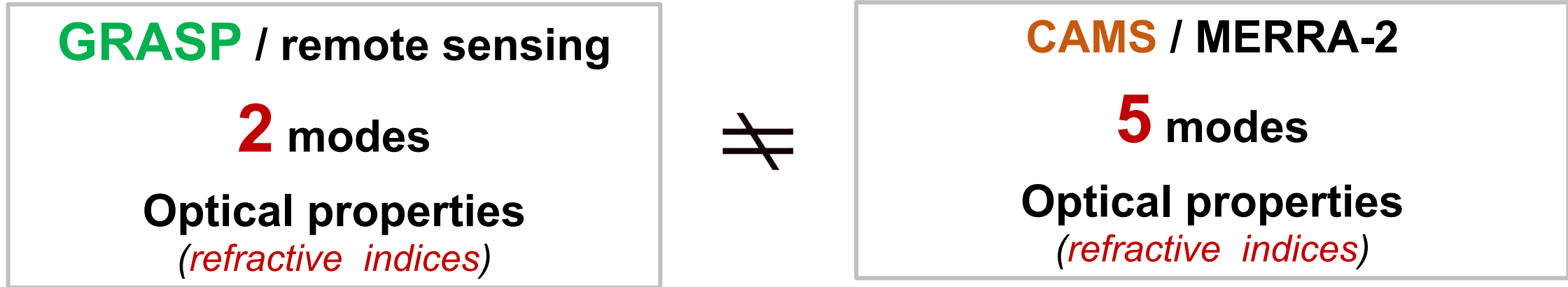
« reality »

Aerosol columnar properties
AOD, AE, SSA, etc.

Comparison
« reality » vs retrieval

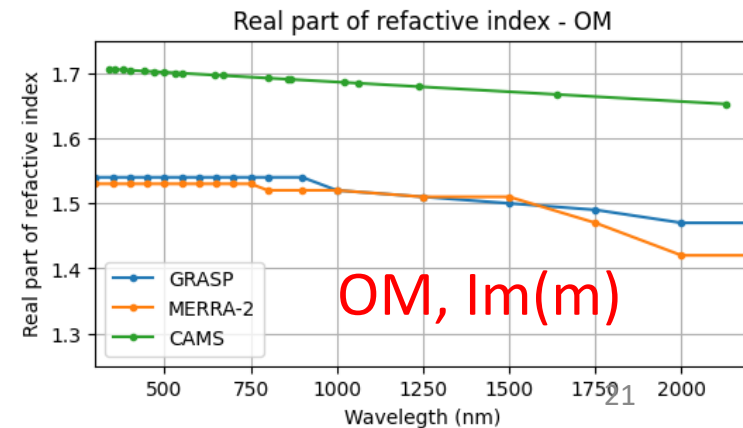
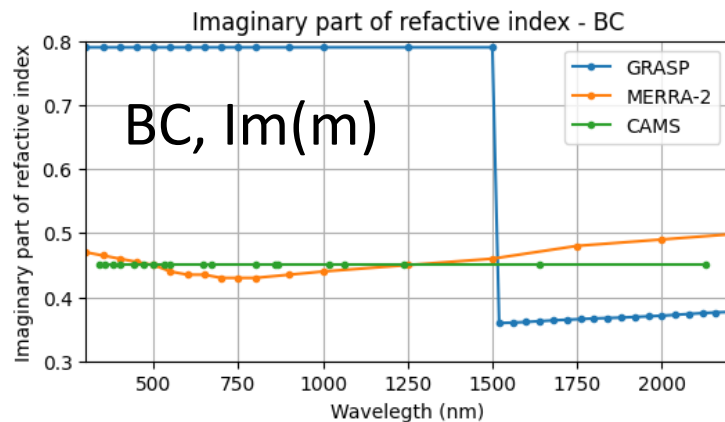
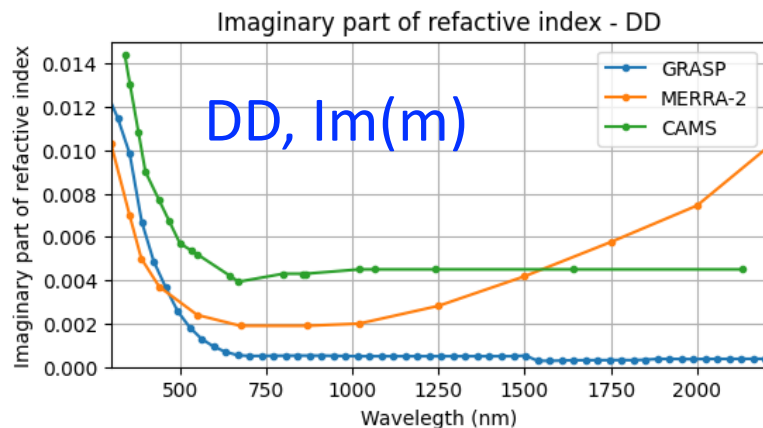
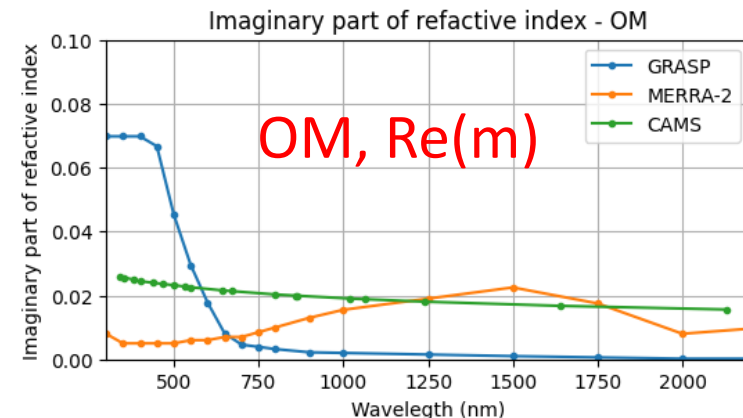
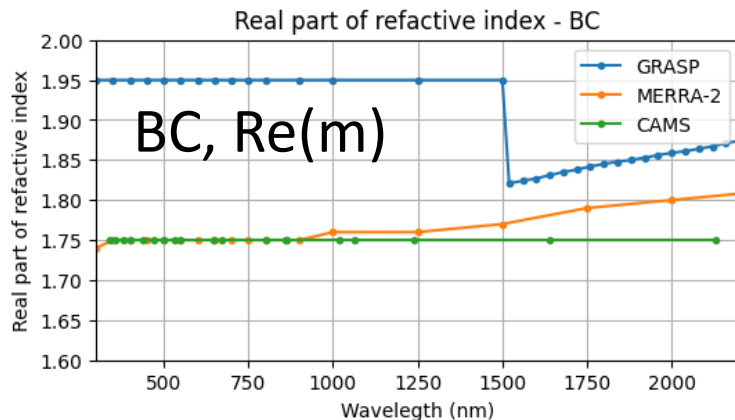
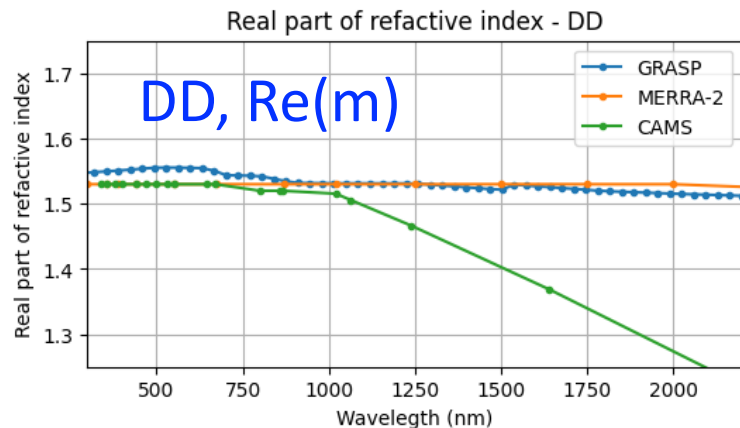
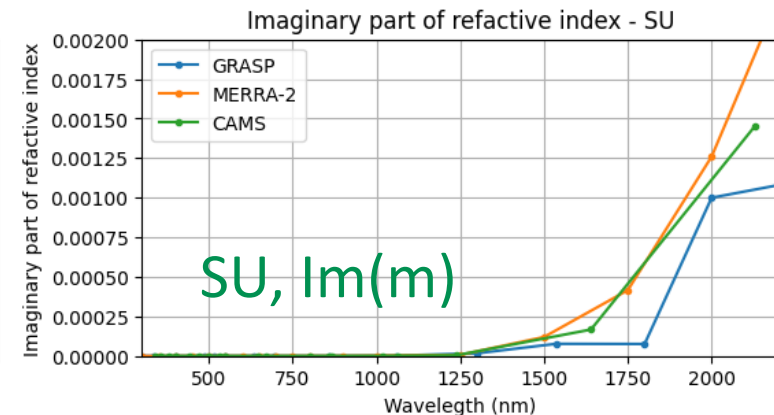
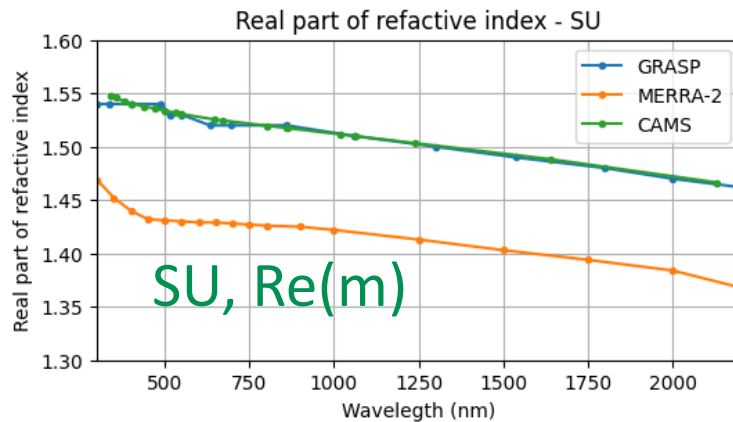
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Harmonization of remote sensing aerosol with aerosol in CAMS/MERRA-2:



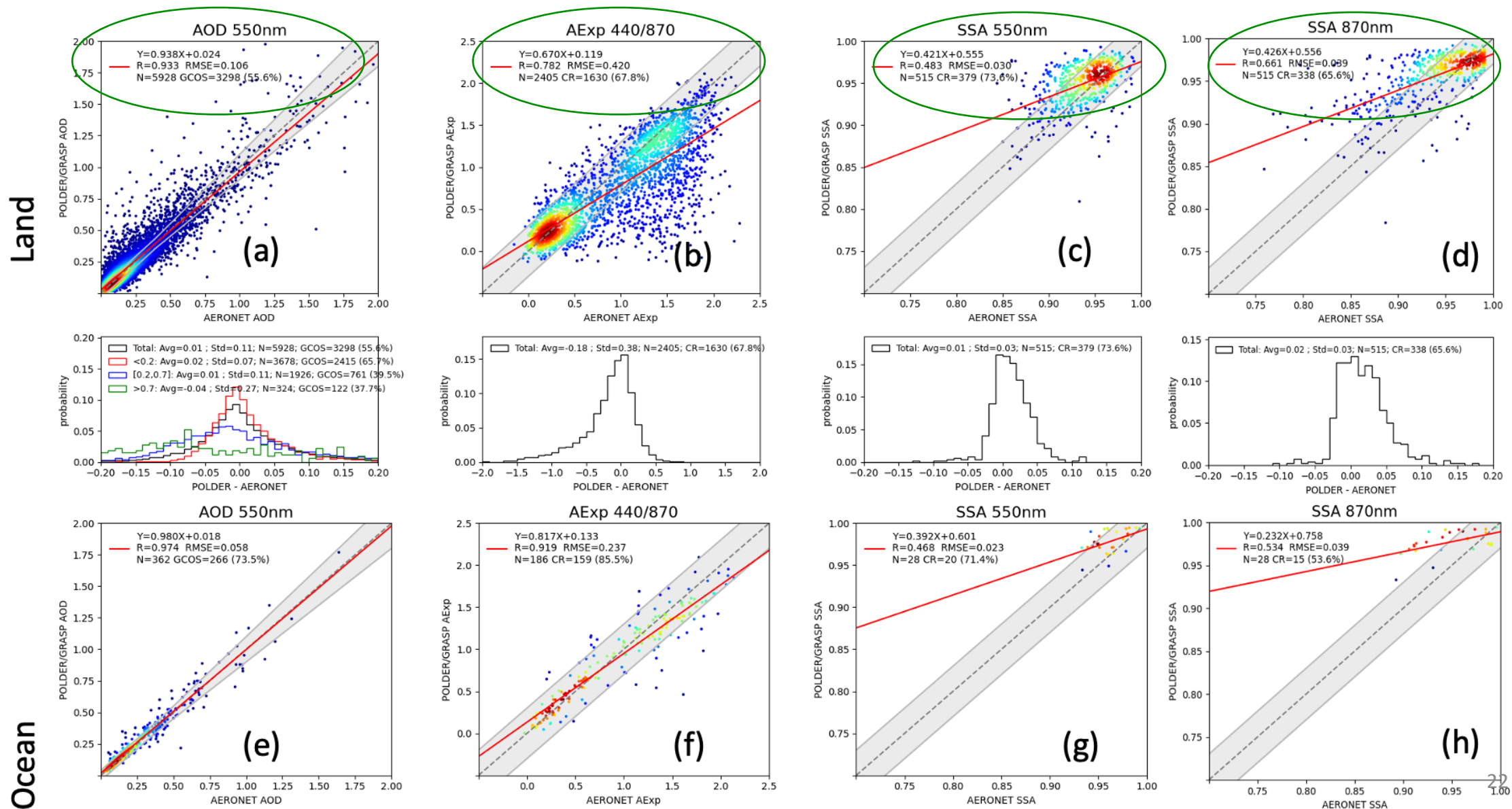
Feasibility tests	Harmonization toward CAMS aerosol representation
1	- Adjustment of the complex refractive index of GRASP aerosol chemical components;
2	- Sea Salt and Dust in separates modes
3	- Sea Salt and Dust in separates modes

Refractive indices for aerosol species

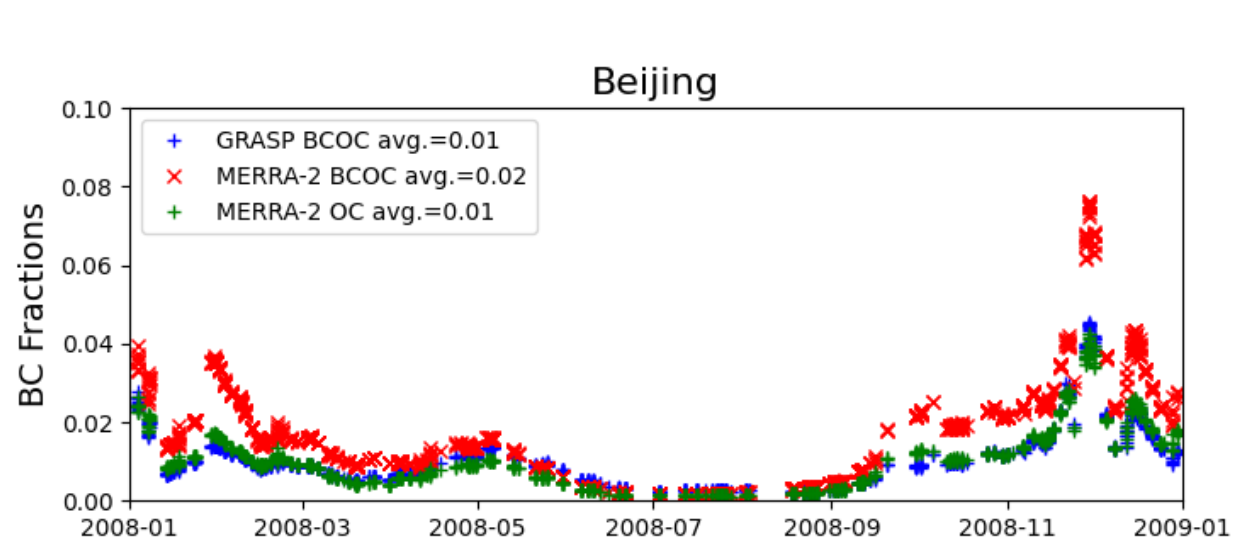
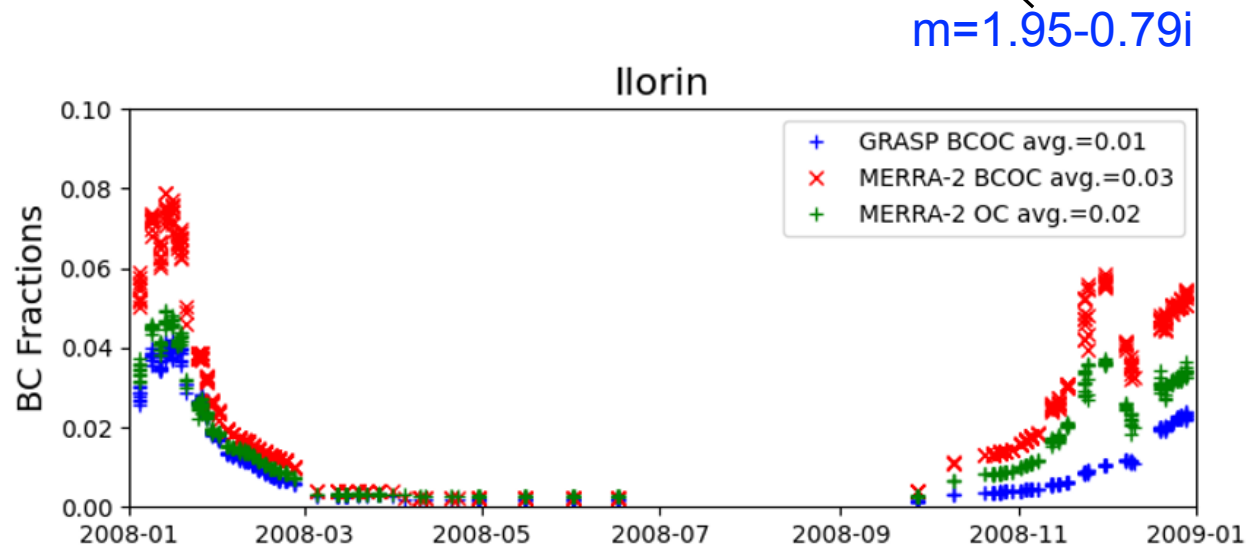
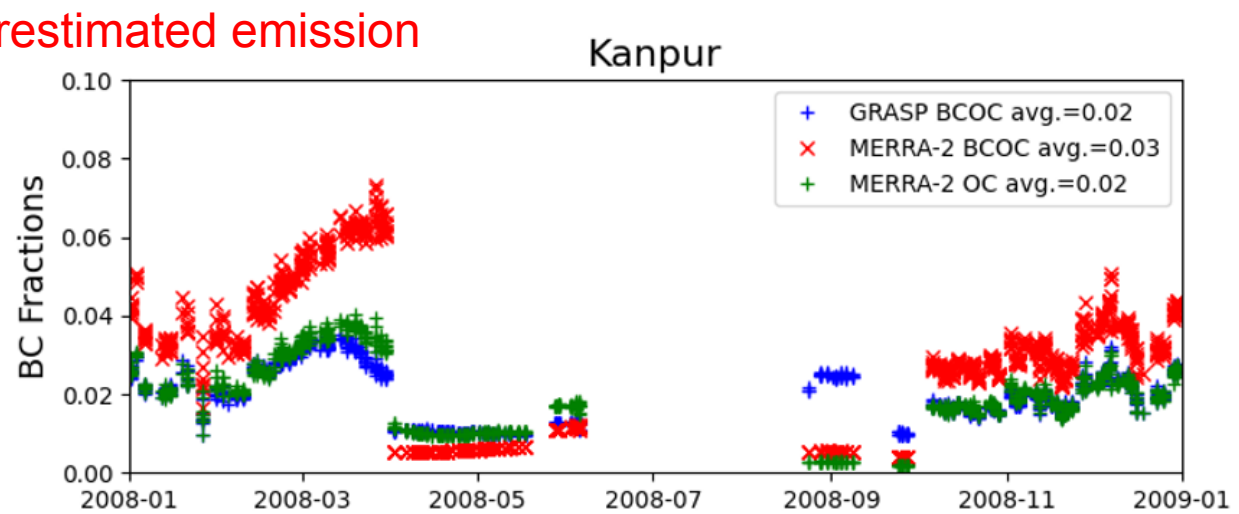
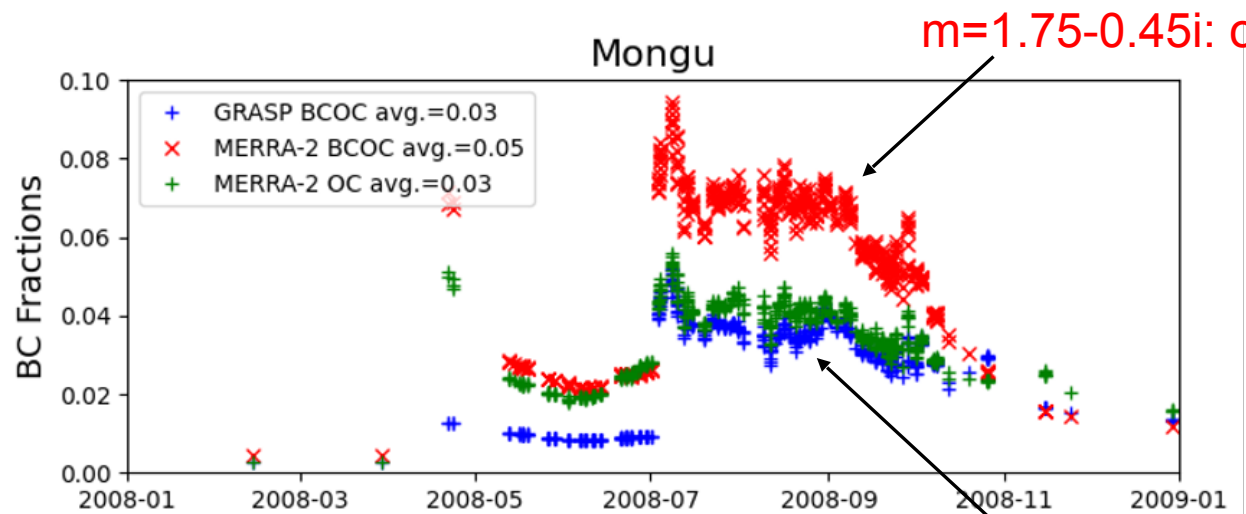


Refractive index harmonization: MERRA-2/CAMS BC and OM refractive index in GRASP

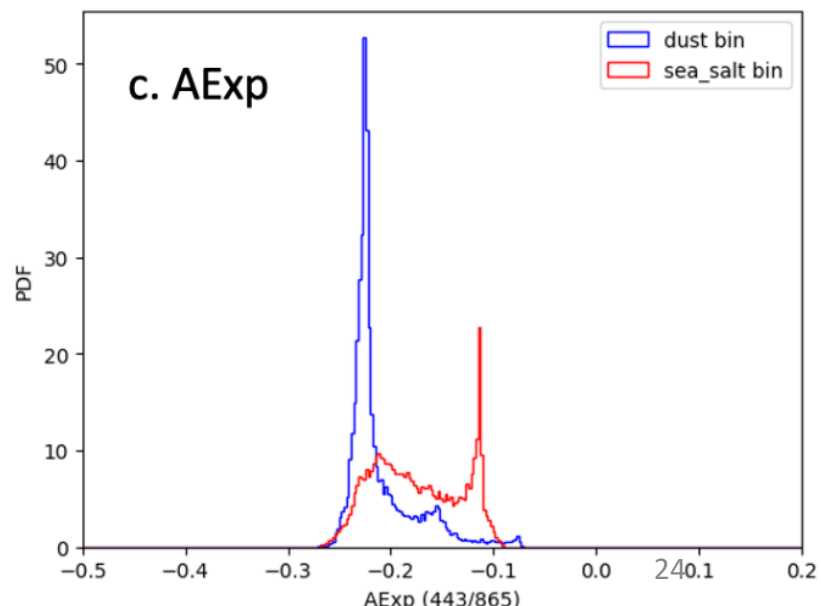
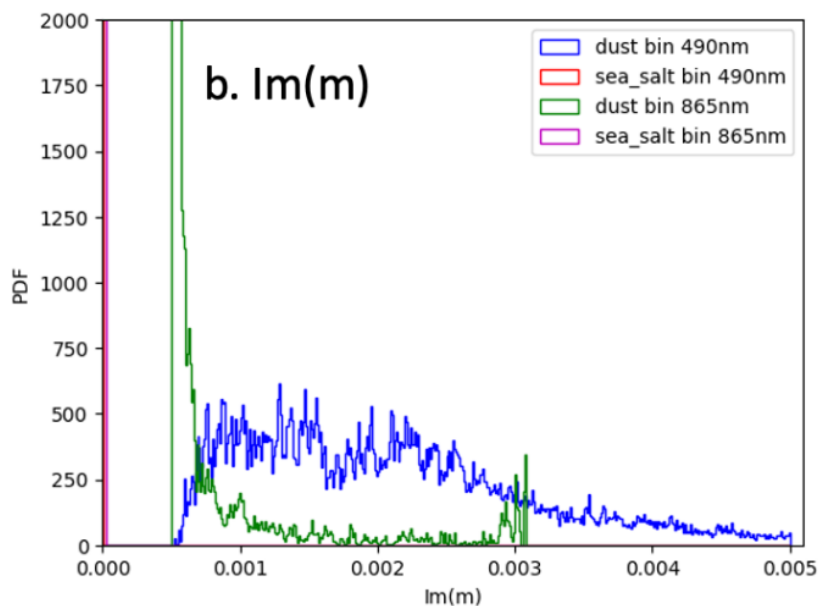
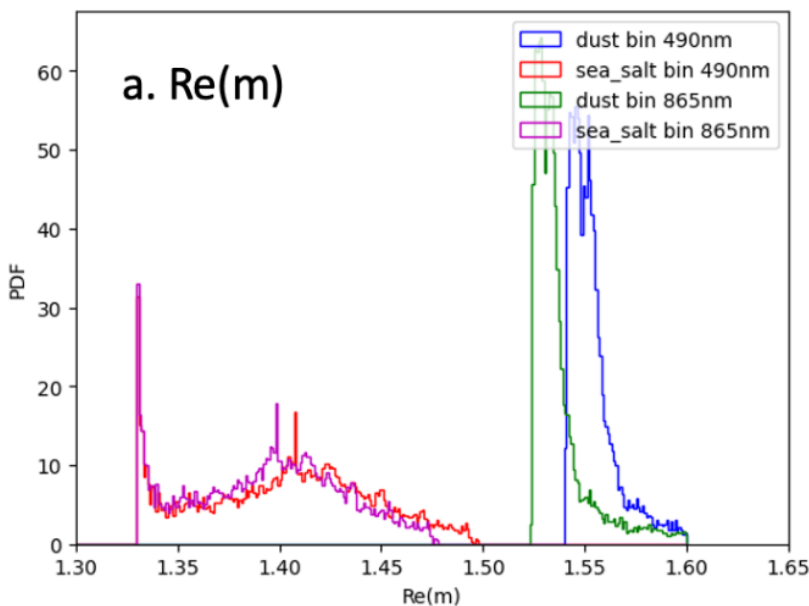
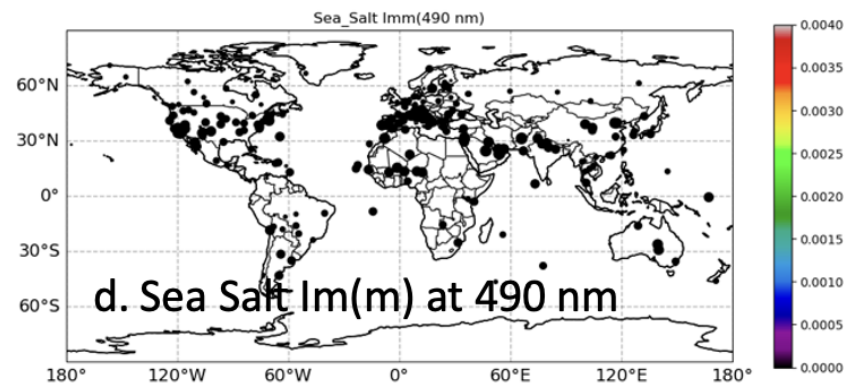
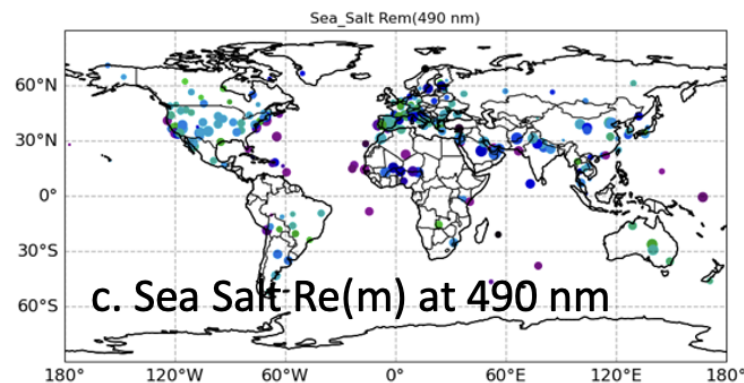
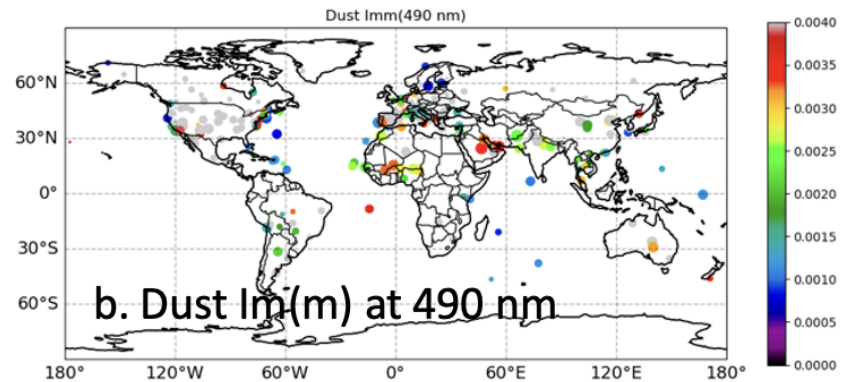
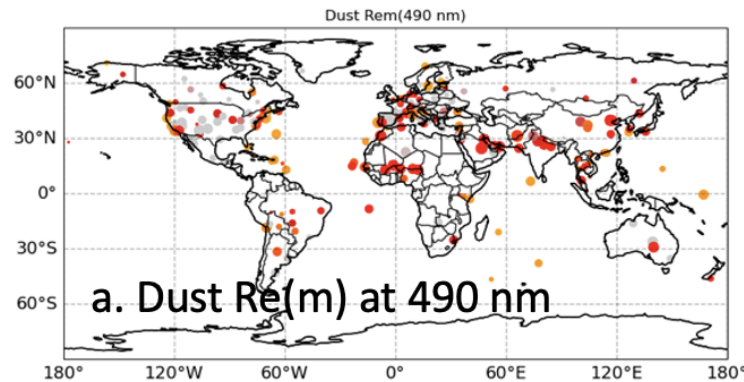
Similar performance



Refractive index harmonization: MERRA-2/CAMS BC and OM refractive index in GRASP



Dust and Sea Salt in different modes: statistic over AERONET stations



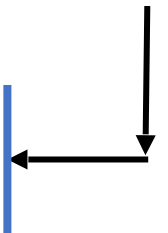
Summary on complex refractive index studies

Harmonization of the complex refractive index in GRASP and CAMS and MERRA-2 models showed:

Feasibility tests with real PARASOL data	Performance in AOD	Performance in AE	Performance in SSA
Adjustment of the complex refractive index of aerosol	Same quality	Same quality	Same quality

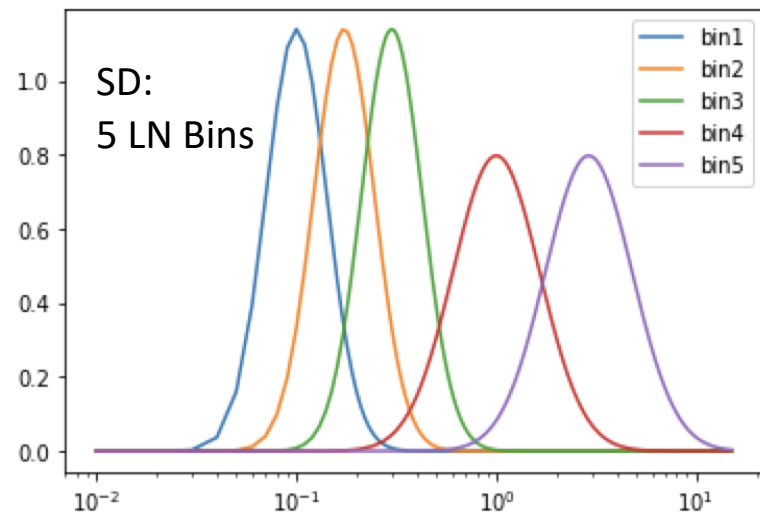
- Great agreement in **synthetic** retrieval;
- NO EFFECT on optical properties retrieved from **real PARASOL** data;
- Overestimation of emission derived from retrieved optical properties retrieved from **real PARASOL**;

REDUNDANCY



1.1 3 aerosol modes: Hydrophilic and Hydrophobic BC and BrC in separate modes

	Size distribution	Volume Concentration	Volume fraction of chemical components								
			BC Hydrophobic	BrC Hydrophobic	BC Hydrophilic	BrC Hydrophilic	SU	Water	Dust Iron Oxide Quarts	Sea Salt	
Fine mode 1	Bin1, Bin2	✓	✓	✓							
Fine mode 2	Bin2, Bin3	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			
Coarse mode	Bin4, Bin5	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓



Effective refractive index:

Fine mode 1:

$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{fine_1} = \hat{m}_{BC} \delta_{BC}^{phob} + \hat{m}_{BrC} \delta_{BrC}^{phob}$$

Fine mode 2:

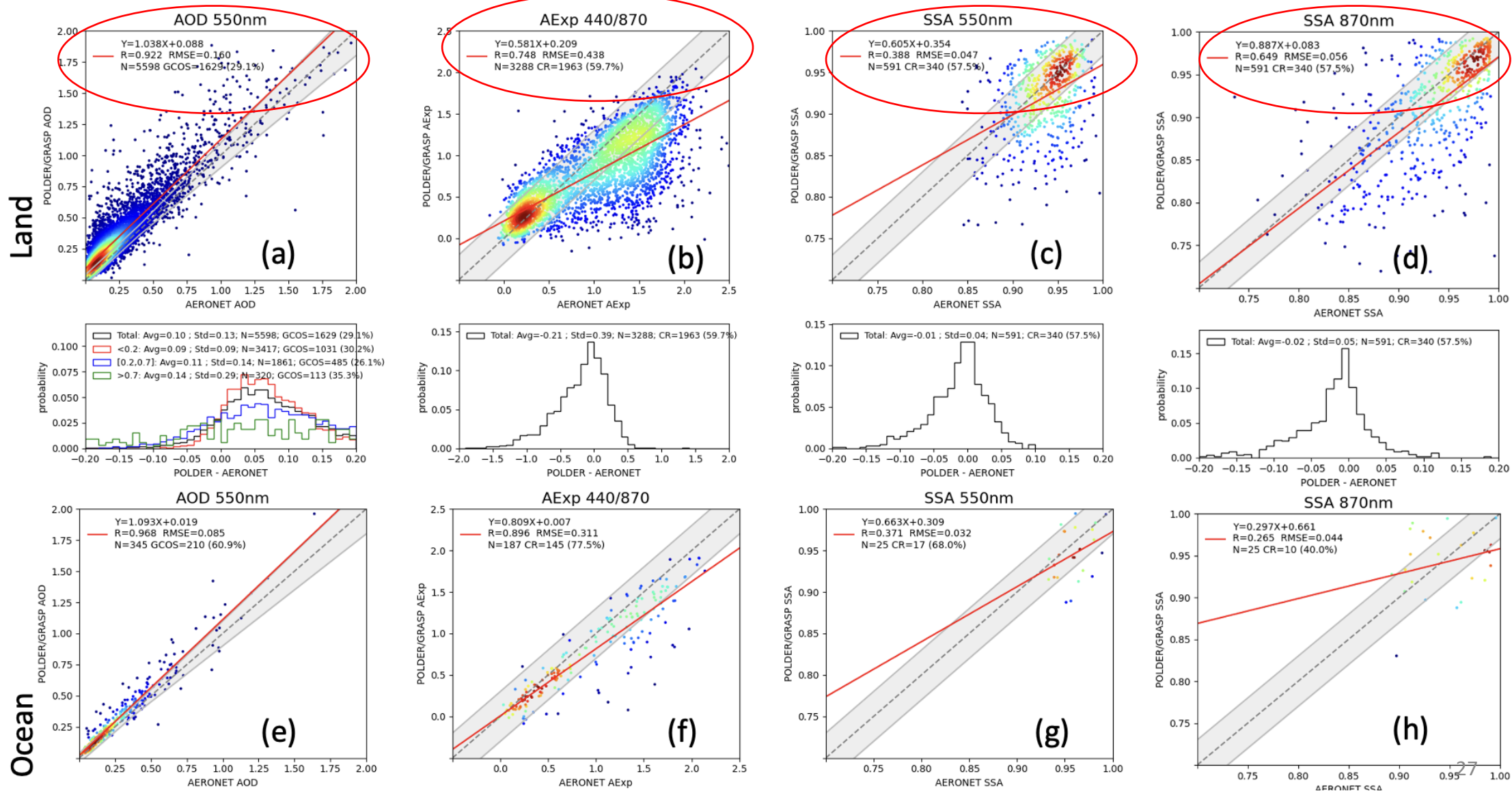
$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{fine_2} = \hat{m}_{BC} \delta_{BC}^{phil} + \hat{m}_{BrC} \delta_{BrC}^{phil} + \hat{m}_{SU} \delta_{SU} + \hat{m}_{Water} \delta_{Water}^{fine}$$

Coarse mode:

$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{coarse} = \hat{m}_{Quartz} \delta_{Quartz}^{coarse} + \hat{m}_{Iron} \delta_{FeOx} + \hat{m}_{SeaS} \delta_{SeaS} + \hat{m}_{Water} \delta_{Water}^{coarse}$$

3 aerosol modes: Hydrophilic and Hydrophobic BC and BrC in separate modes (performance on PARASOL measurements)

Reduced performance



1.2 3 aerosol modes: Dust and Sea Salt in separate modes

	Size distribution	Volume Concentration	BC	BrC	SU	Water	Sea Salt	Dust	
			Hydrophilic	Hydrophilic				Iron Oxide	Quartz
Fine mode	Bin1, Bin2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Coarse mode 1	Bin2, Bin3	✓				✓	✓		
Coarse mode 2	Bin4, Bin5	✓						✓	✓

Effective refractive index:

Fine mode:

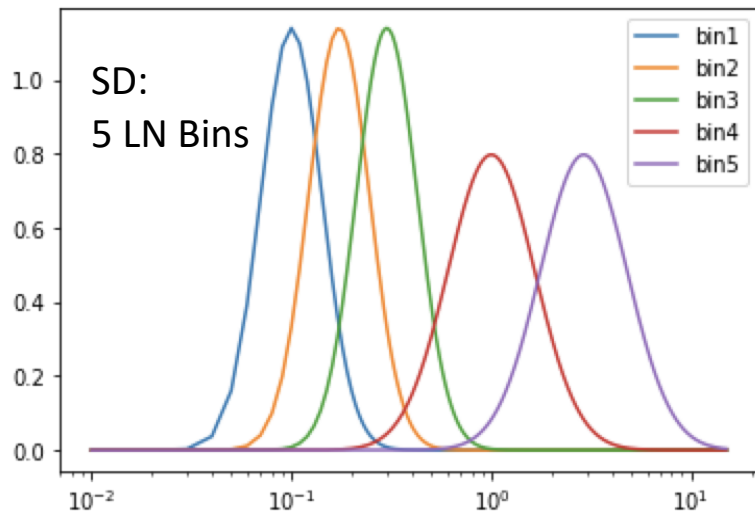
$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{fine} = \hat{m}_{BC} \delta_{BC}^{phil} + \hat{m}_{BrC} \delta_{BrC} + \hat{m}_{SU} \delta_{SU} + \hat{m}_{Water} \delta_{Water}^{fine}$$

Fine mode 2:

$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{coarse_1} = \hat{m}_{SeaS} \delta_{SeaS} + \hat{m}_{Water} \delta_{Water}^{coarse}$$

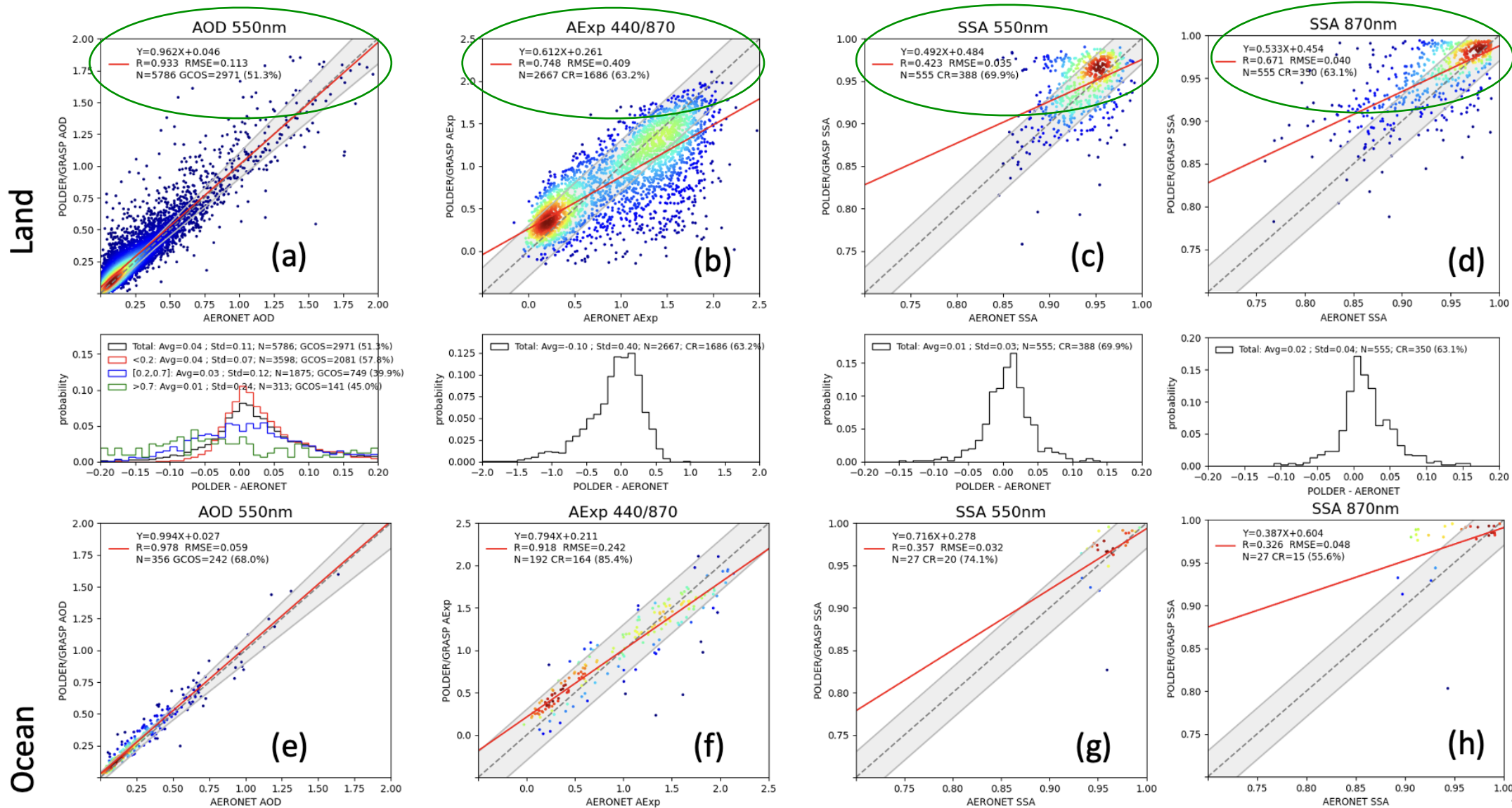
Coarse mode:

$$\hat{m}_{eff}^{coarse_2} = \hat{m}_{Quartz} \delta_{Quartz}^{coarse} + \hat{m}_{Iron} \delta_{FeOx}$$



Dust and Sea Salt in different modes: (performance on PARASOL measurements)

Improved performance



Current status of harmonization:

- **Harmonization** of remote sensing and models **is relatively straightforward**.
- Rather clear relation between parameters can be set up.

Current Questions:

CAMS / MERRA-2:

- assumptions of species ref. indices - ?;
(BC - ?)
- variability of DD optical properties - ?;
(no variability in ref. index)
- non-sphericity of DD -?
- inhomogeneity of aerosol -?
(**externa vs internal**, optics vs transport physics);

GRASP / remote sensing

- is **3 external modes optimal** - ?;
(there are redundant parameter for optics)
- which parameters should be in focus:
(AOD (λ), AE, SSA(λ), AODF ?, else -?)
- which properties can be adapted from CAMS
(aerosol profiles, profiles of relative humidity, etc.?)

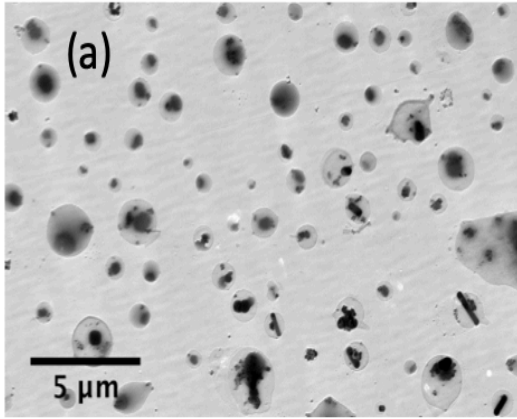
No degradation of real retrieval from modification!

Aerosol models in CAMS/MERRA-2 and remote sensing

	Aerosol modelling approach	CAMS/MERRA-2	Optimal model for <u>multi-angular polarimetric</u> remote sensing	Single/bi-viewing imagers	Lidars
1	Aerosol modes and aerosol species	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 aerosol species, 7 components: BC(2), OM(2), SU, SS(3-5), Dust (3-5) • External mixture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5-7 aerosol species distributed in 2-3 different aerosol modes • External, Internal or hybrid mixture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ?
2	Refractive index	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fixed for each dry specie 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fixed for each component • Can be retrieved from internal mixture or at each wavelength 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ?
3	Aerosol vertical profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass Mixing ratio for each tracer (bin) at each level • Vertical dependence of aerosol characteristics with RH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-3 concentration profiles 1: the same for all modes 2: different for fine and coarse modes 3: different for each aerosol mode 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ?
4	Size distribution/ Hygroscopicity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SD for each aerosol bin • SD parameters change with RH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size distribution parameters • A few bins for each of 1-3 modes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? • ? • ?
5	Non-sphericity/ inhomogeneity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not accounted yet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May be accounted using different models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ?

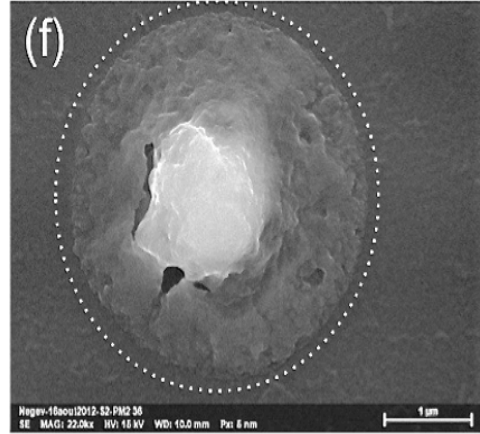
Aerosol non-sphericity and inhomogeneity in remote sensing

Urban aerosol (Lille, France)

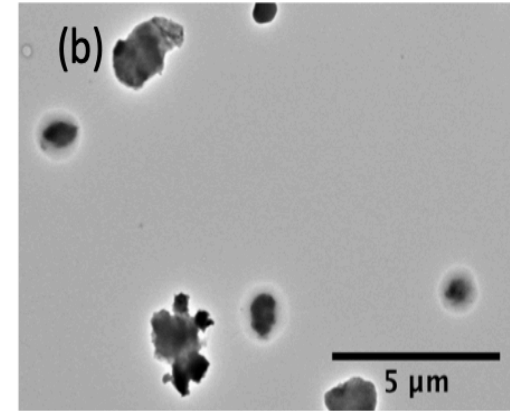


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Desert aerosol (Senegal and Israel)

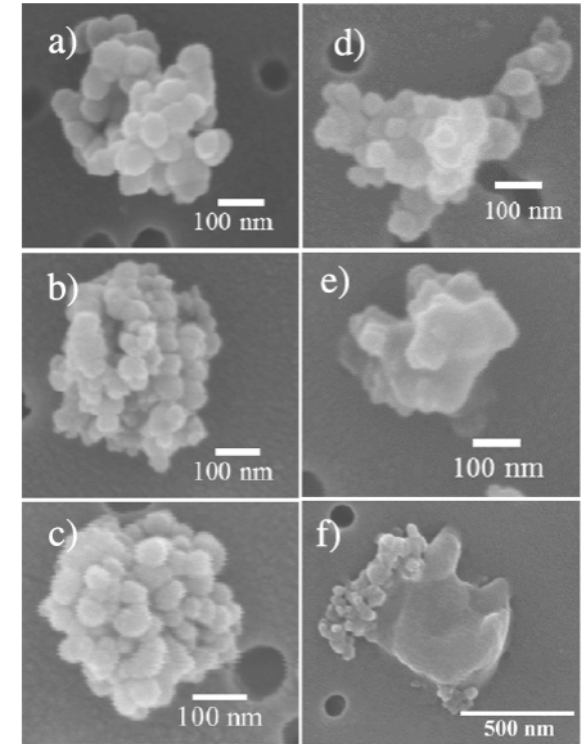


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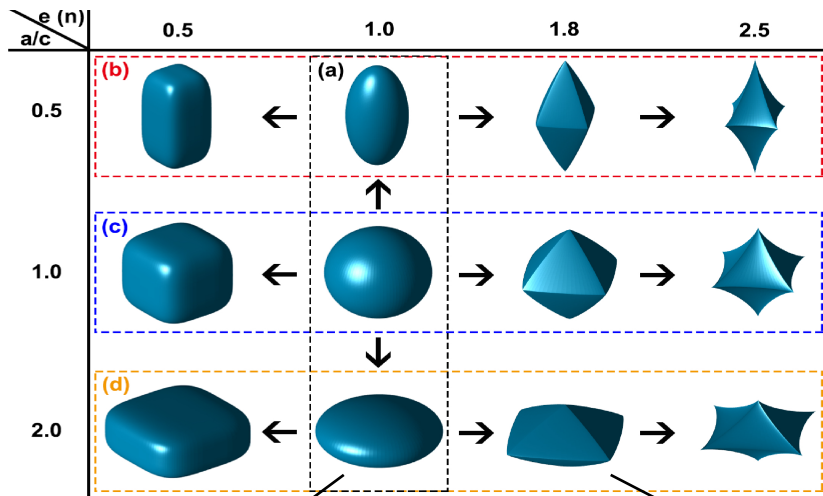


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Coated soot

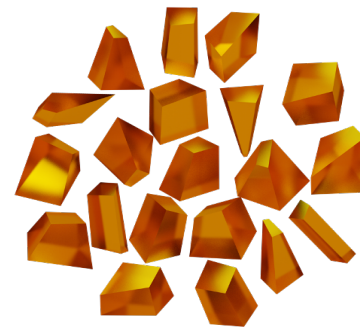


Model of fractal-like cluster of particles in the shell (under development in collaboration with V. Tyshkovets and L. Berdina)

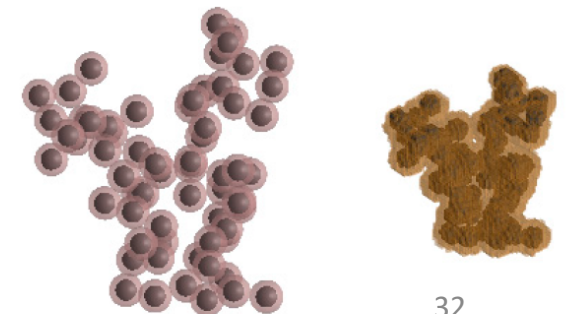


Spheroids
 Dubovik et al., 2006

Super Spheroids
 Bi et al., 2018

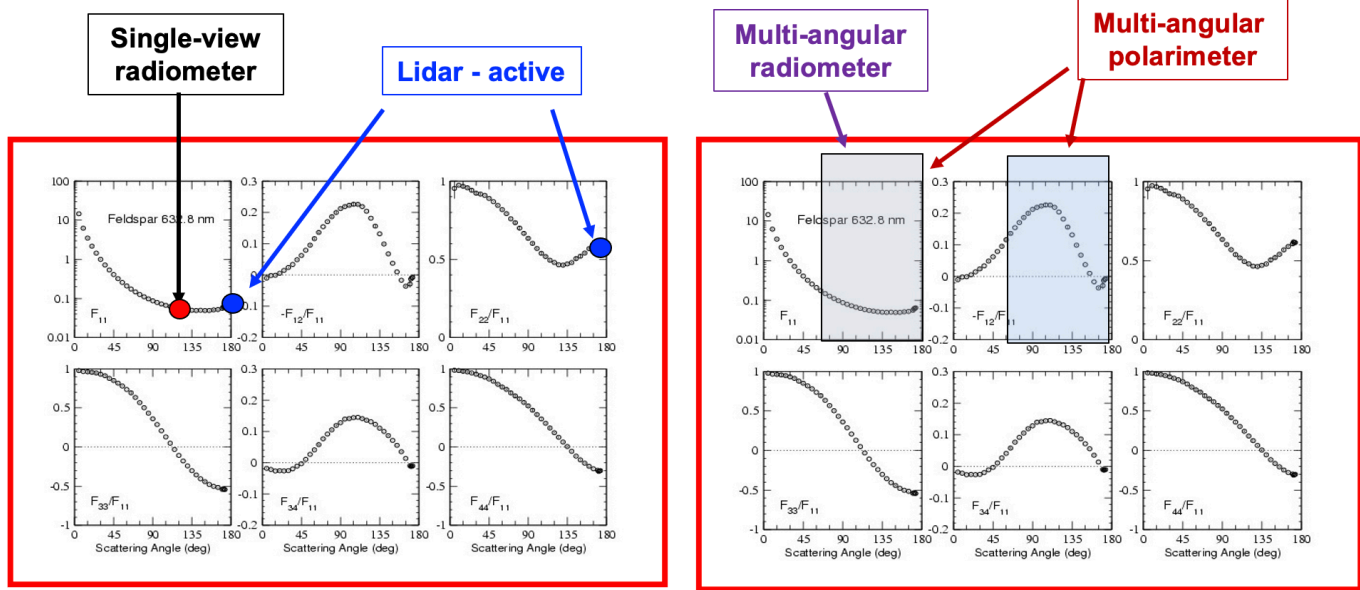


Hexahedrons
 Saito et al., 2021 a,b



M. Kahnert, Opt. Express 2017

Particle shape effects on the observations



- Multi-wavelength lidar (~m³)
- Spaceborne polarimeters (~km³)
- Ground-based sun-photometers (~km³)
- Polar nephelometers* (~dm³)

Plot of bulk total scattering coefficient $\tau_{sca}P_{11}$ versus scattering angle θ for 560nm. The y-axis is logarithmic from 10⁻¹ to 10⁴. Three curves are shown: hexahedra sphericity=0.695 (magenta), spheroid (orange), and superspheroid (blue). A green dashed box highlights the region from 0 to 150 degrees, and a blue dashed box highlights the region from 0 to 180 degrees. A double-headed arrow indicates the angular range from approximately 60 to 120 degrees.

Plot of $-P_{12}/P_{11}$ versus scattering angle θ for 560nm. The y-axis ranges from -0.5 to 0.5. Three curves are shown: hexahedra sphericity=0.695 (magenta), spheroid (orange), and superspheroid (blue). A green dashed box highlights the region from 0 to 150 degrees, and a blue dashed box highlights the region from 0 to 180 degrees. A red dot is at 180 degrees. A double-headed arrow indicates the angular range from approximately 60 to 120 degrees.

Plot of P_{22}/P_{11} versus scattering angle θ for 560nm. The y-axis ranges from 0.3 to 1.0. Three curves are shown: hexahedra sphericity=0.695 (magenta), spheroid (orange), and superspheroid (blue). A green dashed box highlights the region from 0 to 150 degrees, and a blue dashed box highlights the region from 0 to 180 degrees. A red dot is at 180 degrees.

Harmonization questions to answer:

1. **Main aerosol component: BC, OM, SU, Sea Salt, Dust.**
 - How complete this representation of aerosol?
 - External, internal or hybrid mixture?
 - Optimal balance between complexity of aerosol preorientation and number of retrieved parameters in remote sensing.
2. **The spectral dependence for each component.**
 - How representative it is?
3. **Vertical profile**
 - How reliable mass mixing ratio in CAMS and can it be used as a priori estimates in the retrieval?
 - The effect of vertical dependence of aerosol characteristics vs column averaged properties.
4. **SD for aerosol**
 - How representative and flexible it is in MERA/CAMS?
 - Retrieved SD in remote sensing vs prescribed with accounting for hygroscopic growth in MERA/CAMS
5. **Non-sphericity and inhomogeneity in MERA/CAMS**
 - How important it is in CAMS and how it may affect the atmospheric radiance calculations
6. **What are the main aerosol parameters for harmonization with MERA/CAMS?**
 - AOD? What spectral bands? Fine mode AOD? Angstrom Exponent? SSA?

THANK YOU !