

## Motivation:

Better constrain aerosol radiative effects

Use an assimilation technique to nudge the fields of optical depth

Describe the difference in the TOA forcing between assimilated and not assimilated fields

## Developments:

A coupled GCM/chemical module, the chemistry and the aerosols can be treated interactively

Include this chemical module into the IPSL Earth System Model

# GCM-Chemistry coupling: LMDz-INCA

**INCA=INteractions between Chemistry and Aerosols**

## Reference Versions

- ✓ LMDZ.3.3, 96x72x19, Tiedtke's convection
- ✓ Gaseous Chemistry: 90 species, 300 reactions (INCA CH4 et INCA NMHC)
- ✓ Aerosols: 25 species, 15 reactions, spectral scheme (INCA CH4AER)
- ✓ Inverse modelling and assimilation CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, aerosols
- ✓ Stratospheric version: 96x72x50 (version INCA CH4STRATO)

## Emissions

- ✓ Biogenic emissions coupled to the biosphere model ORCHIDEE
- ✓ Biomass burning emissions distributed following ATSR fire counts

## Diffusion of INCA

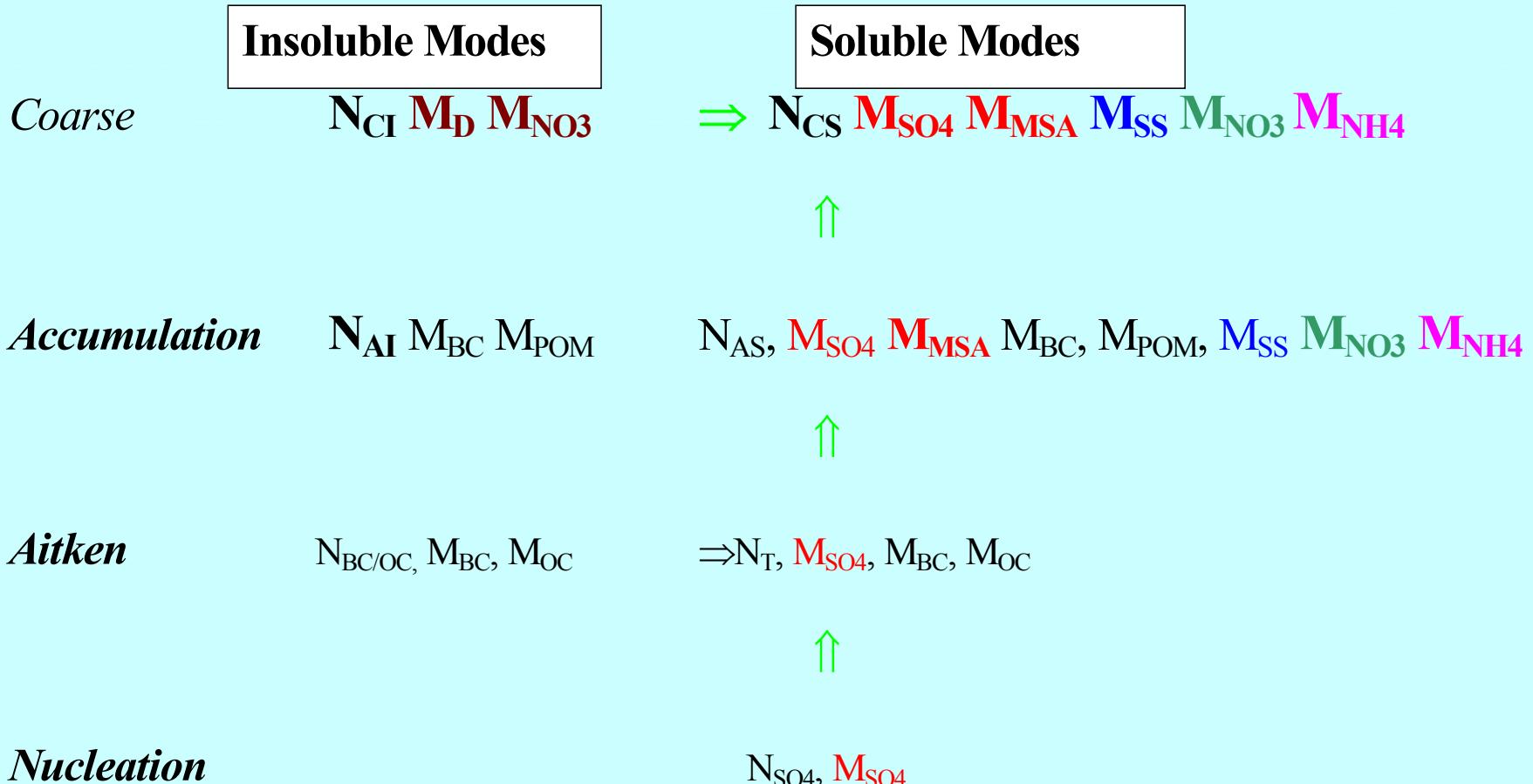
- ✓ Several laboratoires: LSCE, SA, LMDZ, LOA, LGGE
- ✓ Publications INCA: 6 chemistry + 3 aerosols
- ✓ Web site, web interface for results through AEROCOM
- ✓ (we also produce maps of all physical variables and tracer diagnostics from the simulations)

# *INCA Aerosol Module*

## **INCA Aerosol Module**

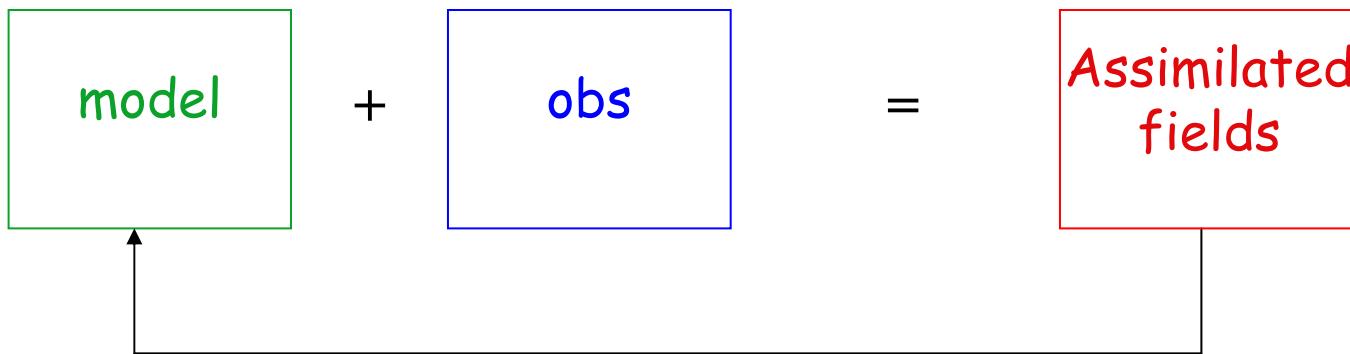
**Dust / Sulphate / Black Carbon / Organic Matter / Sea Salt / Nitrate / Ammonium**

Modal approach: one N(umber) and x M(ass) tracer per aerosol mode



# The Kalman Filter

Each time step :



$$x^b + K(y_0 - Hx^b) = x^a$$

(1st time step :  $x^b = x^{\text{model}}$  then :  $x^b = x^a$ )

$$K = B H^\dagger (H B H^\dagger + O)^{-1}$$

After integration of obs  $y_0(t)$  :

$$B = B_t - B_t H^\dagger (H B_t H^\dagger + O)^{-1} H B_t$$

↳ propagation of B

B : error covariance matrix of the background

O : error covariance matrix of the observations

# B & O error covariance matrix

for the observations :

$$\underline{\text{O}} = \sigma_O \mathbf{I} \quad \text{avec} \quad \sigma_O = \varepsilon_0 + f_0 \tau_0$$

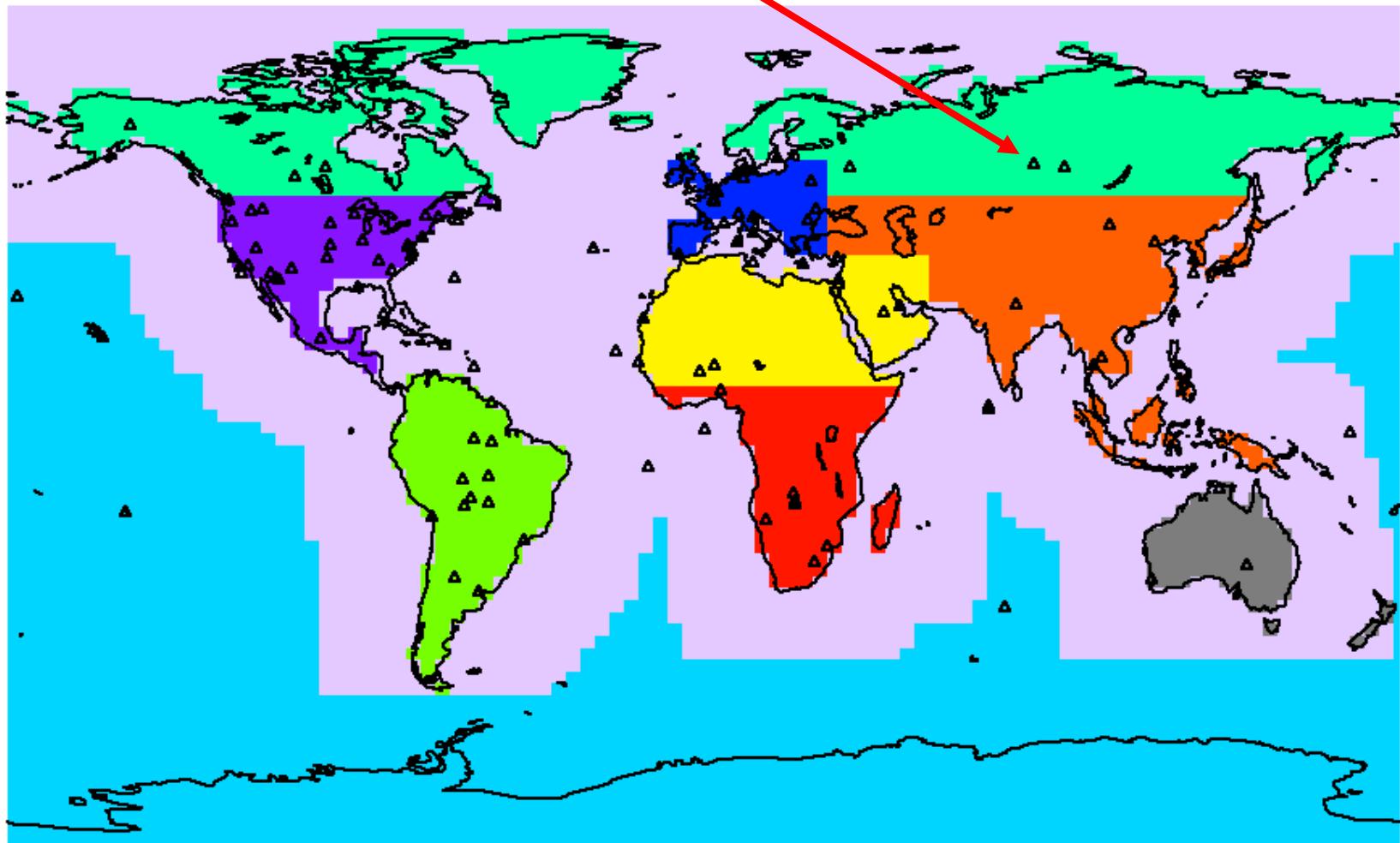
for the a priori :

$$\underline{\text{B}} = \sigma_B \mathbf{I} \quad \text{avec} \quad \sigma_B = \varepsilon_m + f_m \tau_m$$

- ▶  $\varepsilon_0, f_0, \varepsilon_m, f_m$  depend on the region
- ▶ Both are determined following exactly the same method, from comparisons to AERONET data

# To characterise O & B ...

AERONET station



Within each region, the same error statistics are used

	$\sigma_g$	mmr	$r_m$	$r_e$
CI	2.00	1.170	0.277	0.921
CS	2.00	1.831	0.433	1.439
SS	2.00	5.010	1.185	3.939
AI	1.59	0.113	0.059	0.101
AS	1.59	0.190	0.100	0.171

	$\sigma^*(m^2/g)$	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )
Dust	0.78	2.65
BC	4.9 (7.5)	1.55 (1.0)
SS	0.59	2.2
POM	1.7	1.5
SO4		1.7

Properties are given for the dry aerosol

$\sigma_g$  : geometric standard deviation

mmr : mass median radius ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

$r_m$  : modal radius ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

$r_e$  : effective radius ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

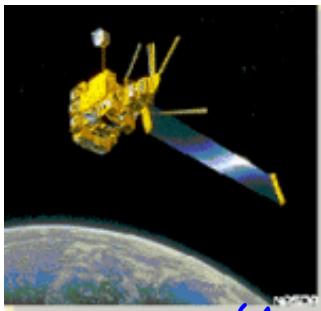
# The POLDER mission

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POLDER-1 : Nov 96 to Jun 97

POLDER-2 : Apr 03 to Oct 03

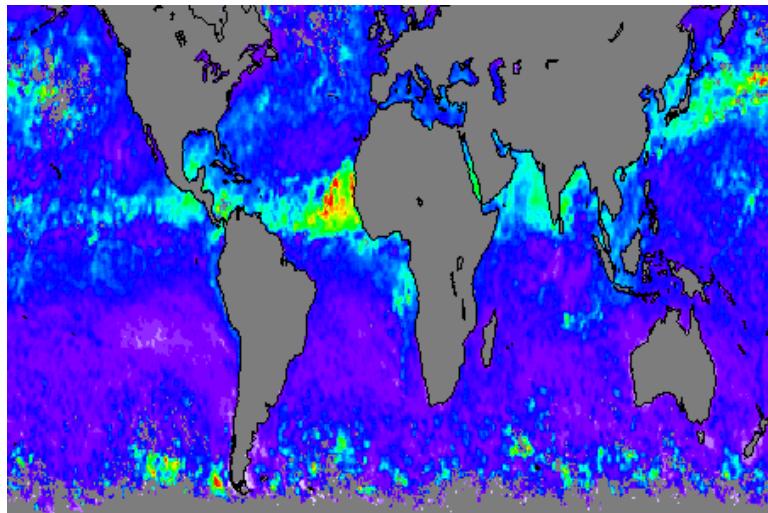
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POLDER AOT

(Aerosol Optical Thickness)

Classical method - Over ocean only

$AOT \propto$  aerosols load



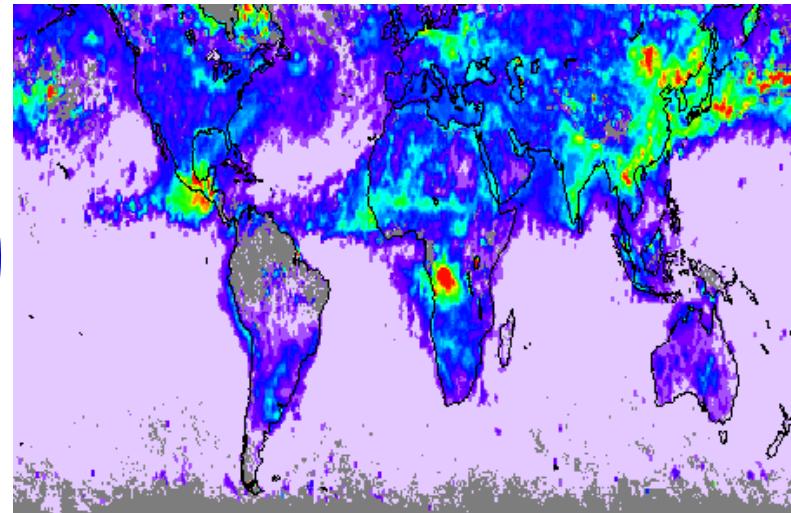
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0.00 0.10 0.20 0.30 0.40 0.50 0.60

POLDER AI (Aerosol Index)

Originality : polarization - over  
ocean and land

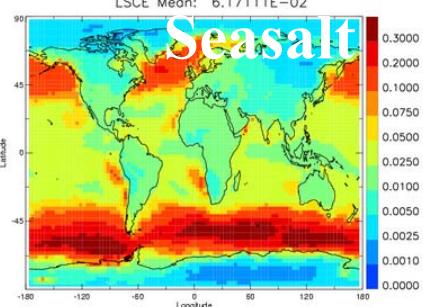
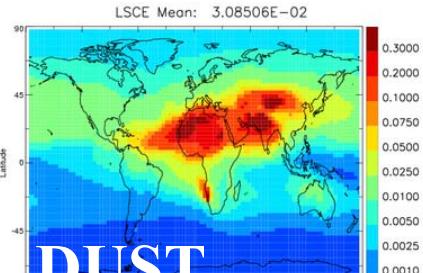
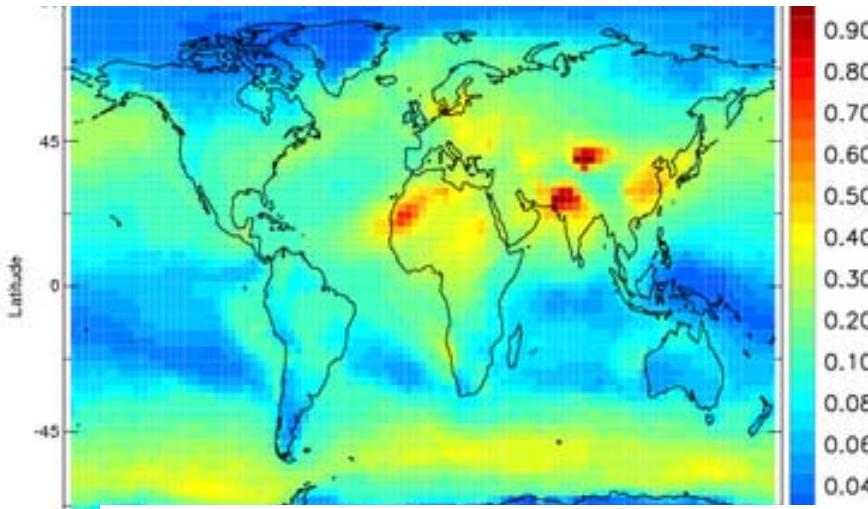
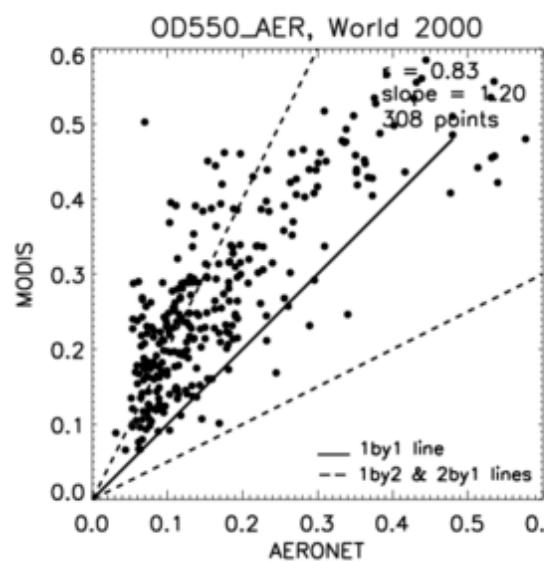
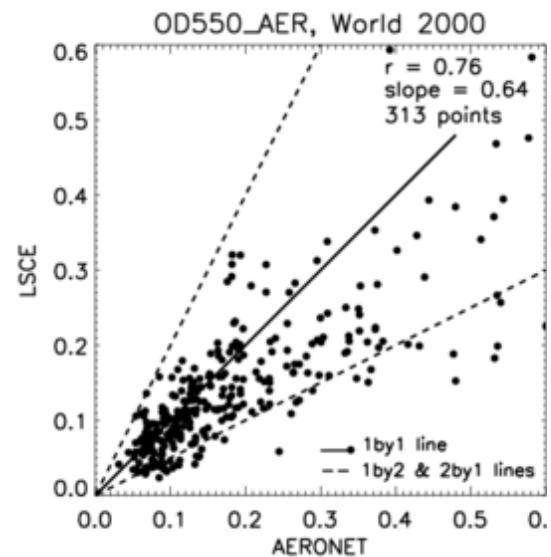
$AI \propto$  aerosols load in the fine mode



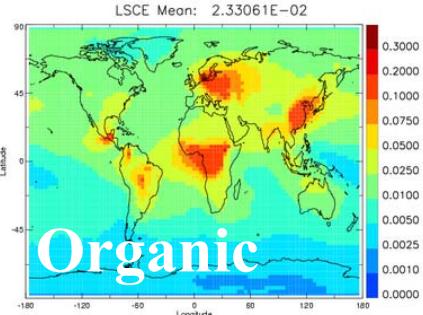
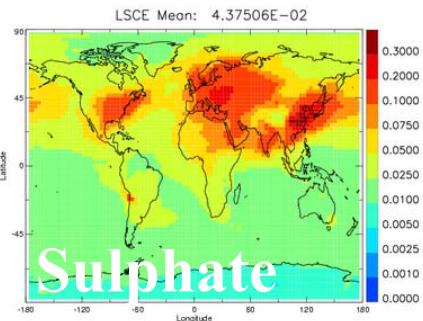
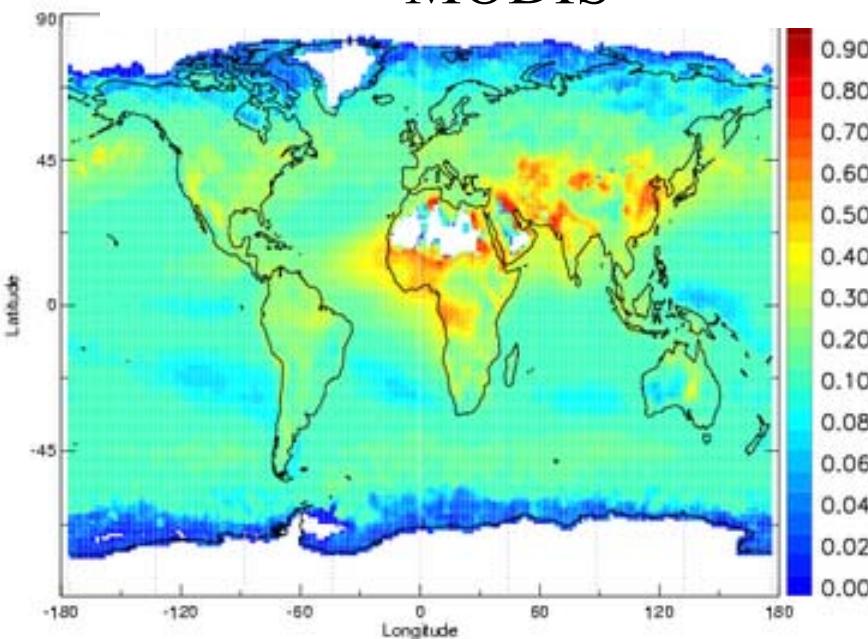
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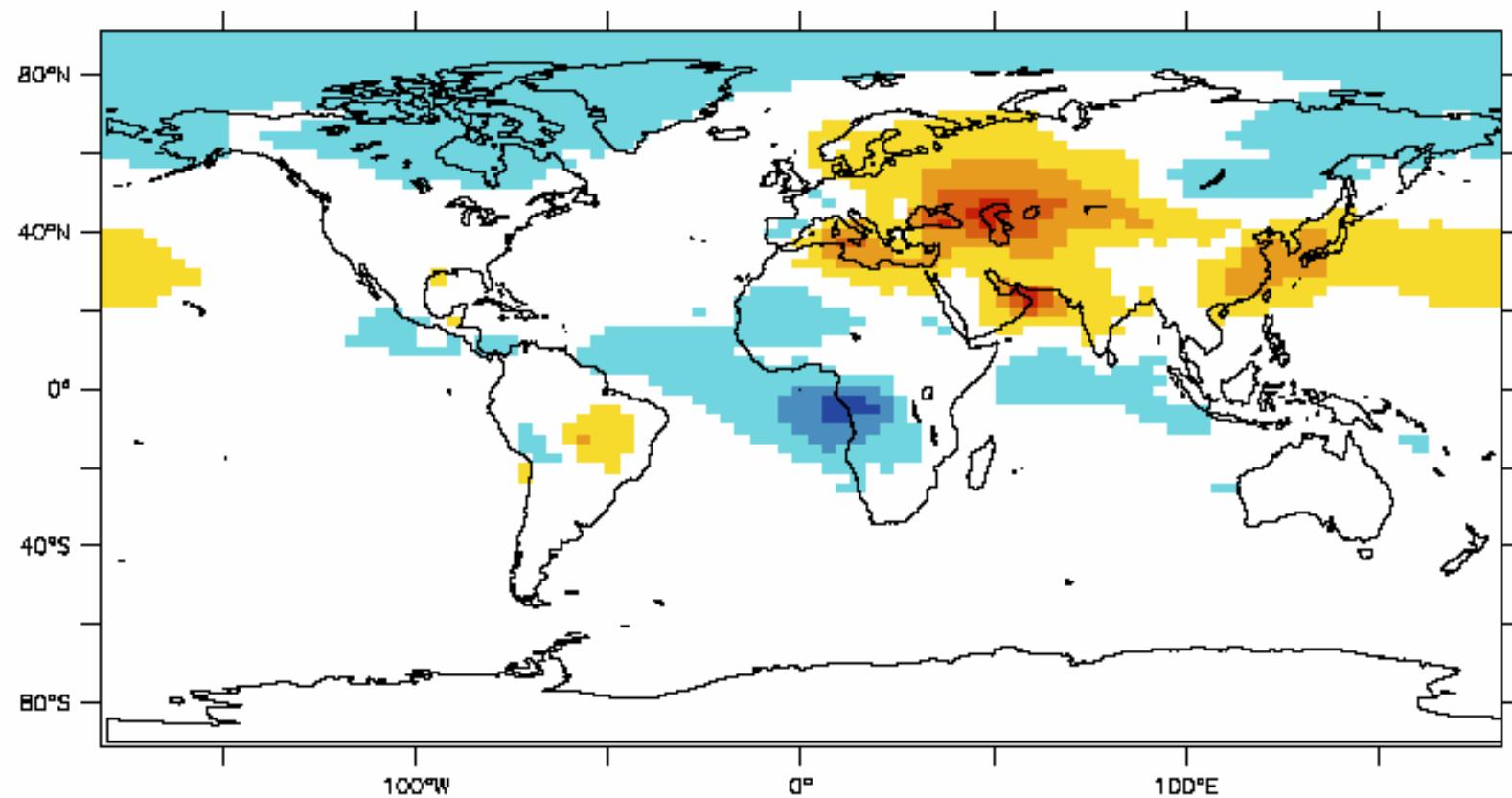
# Validation / Evaluation

## Aerosol optical depth at 550nm LMDzT-INCA-AER



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CORRECTION TO OPTICAL DEPTH DUE TO ASSIMILATION



-0.2

-0.14

-0.1

-0.06

-0.02

0.02

0.06

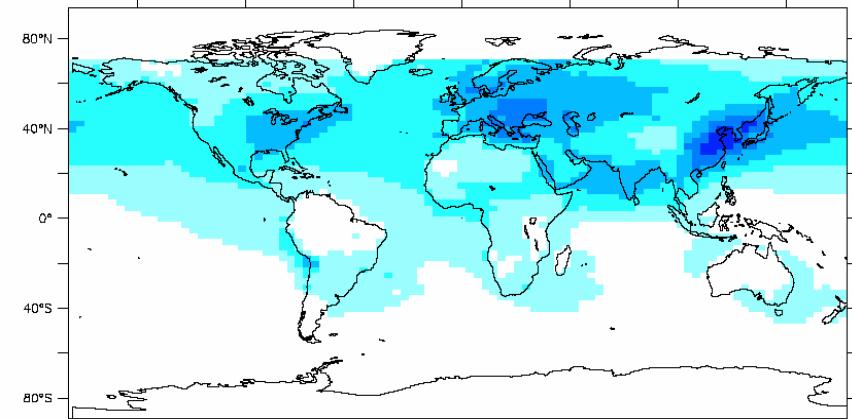
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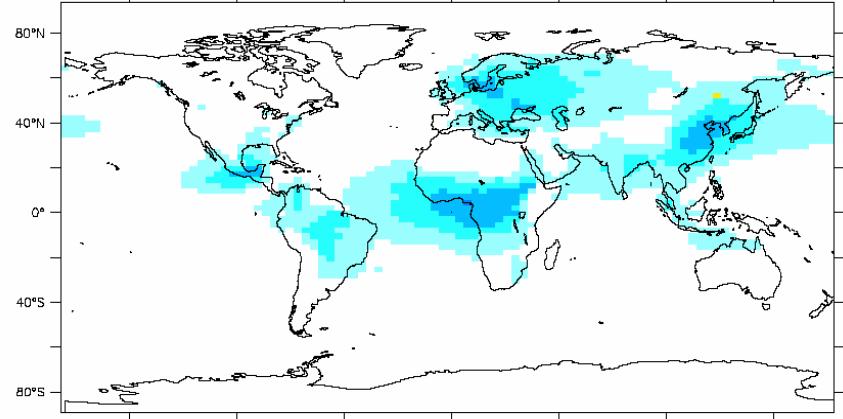
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# Direct Radiative Forcing by component

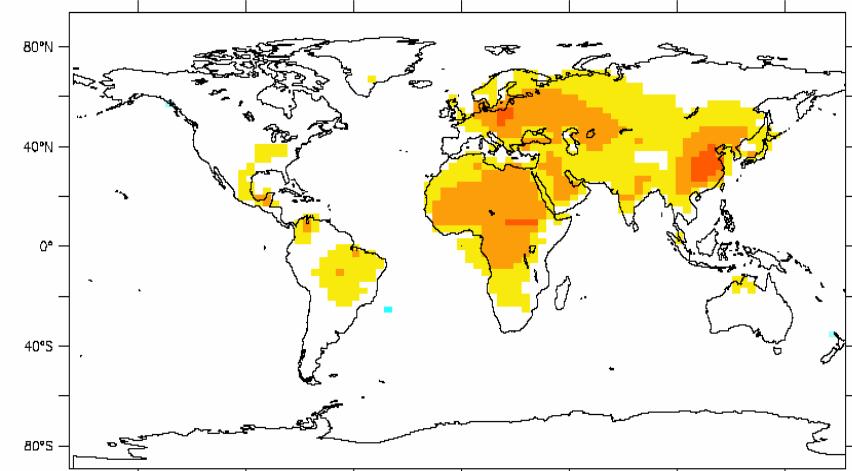
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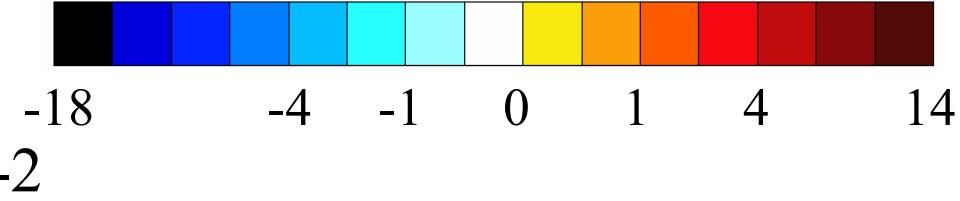
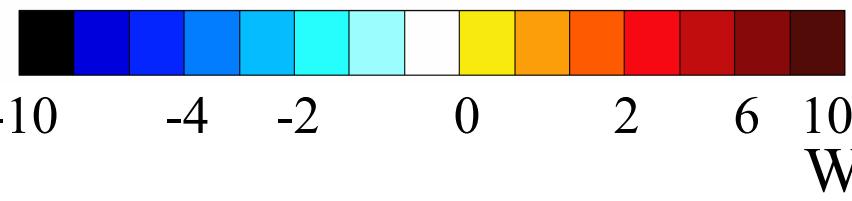
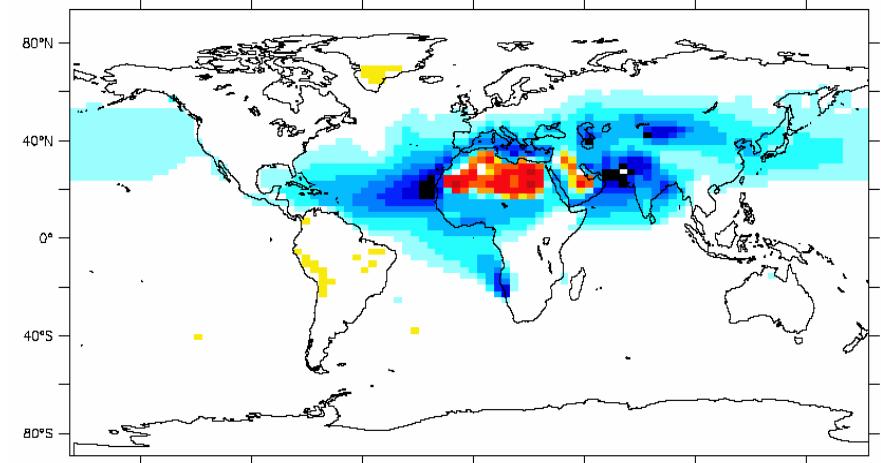
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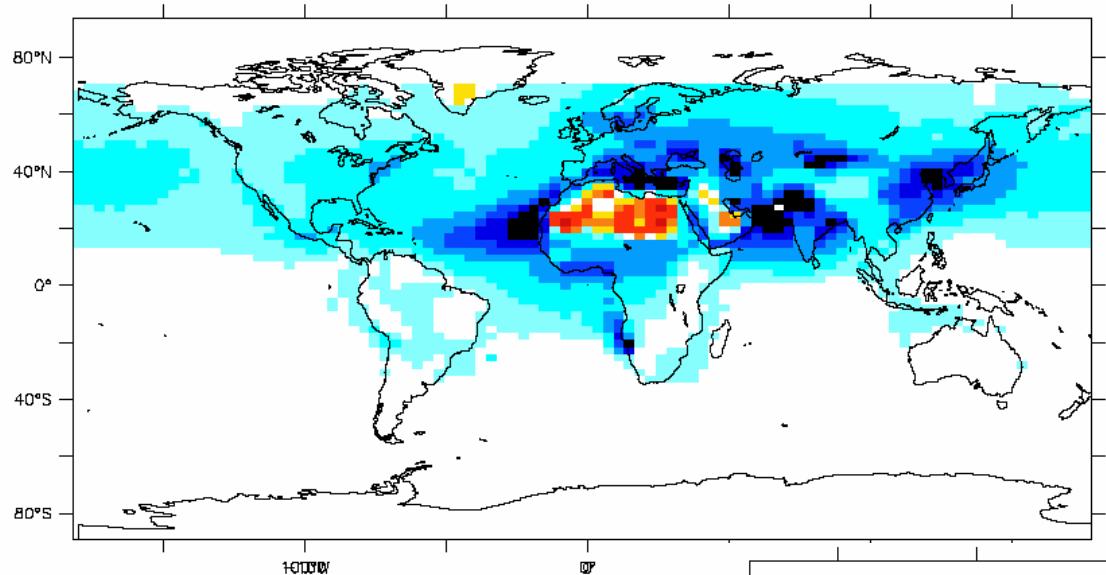


BC

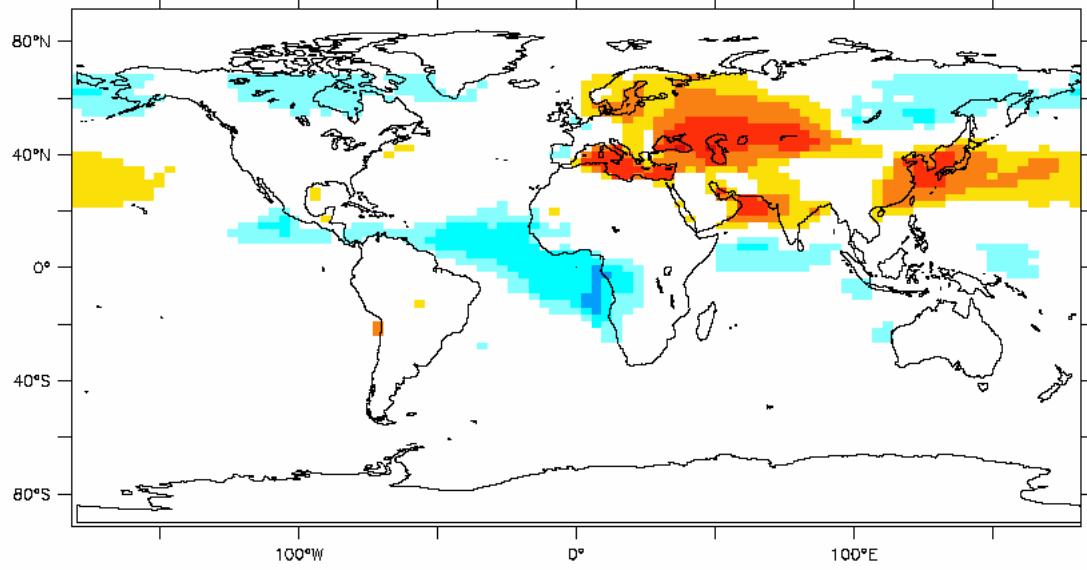
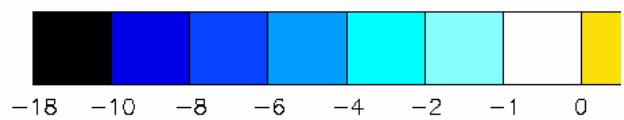


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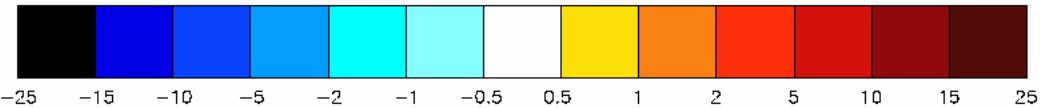




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CORRECTION TO RADIATIVE PERTURBATION (W·m⁻²), ALL SKIES



# Uncertainties

## Model

- ✓ Treating internal mixtures
- ✓ Coherence between satellite resolution, model resolution and point measurements from AERONET
- ✓ Large range in the water content associated with the aerosol ( hygroscopicity of seasalt at high RH is an issue).
- ✓ Evaluate model vs measured size distributions (issues of dataset strategies)

## Future Developments

- ✓ Inclusion of chemistry module in the Coupled Model (atm-ocean-seaice)
- ✓ Include the information from the LW radiative forcing
- ✓ Role of aerosol in current climate (GEMS project)