

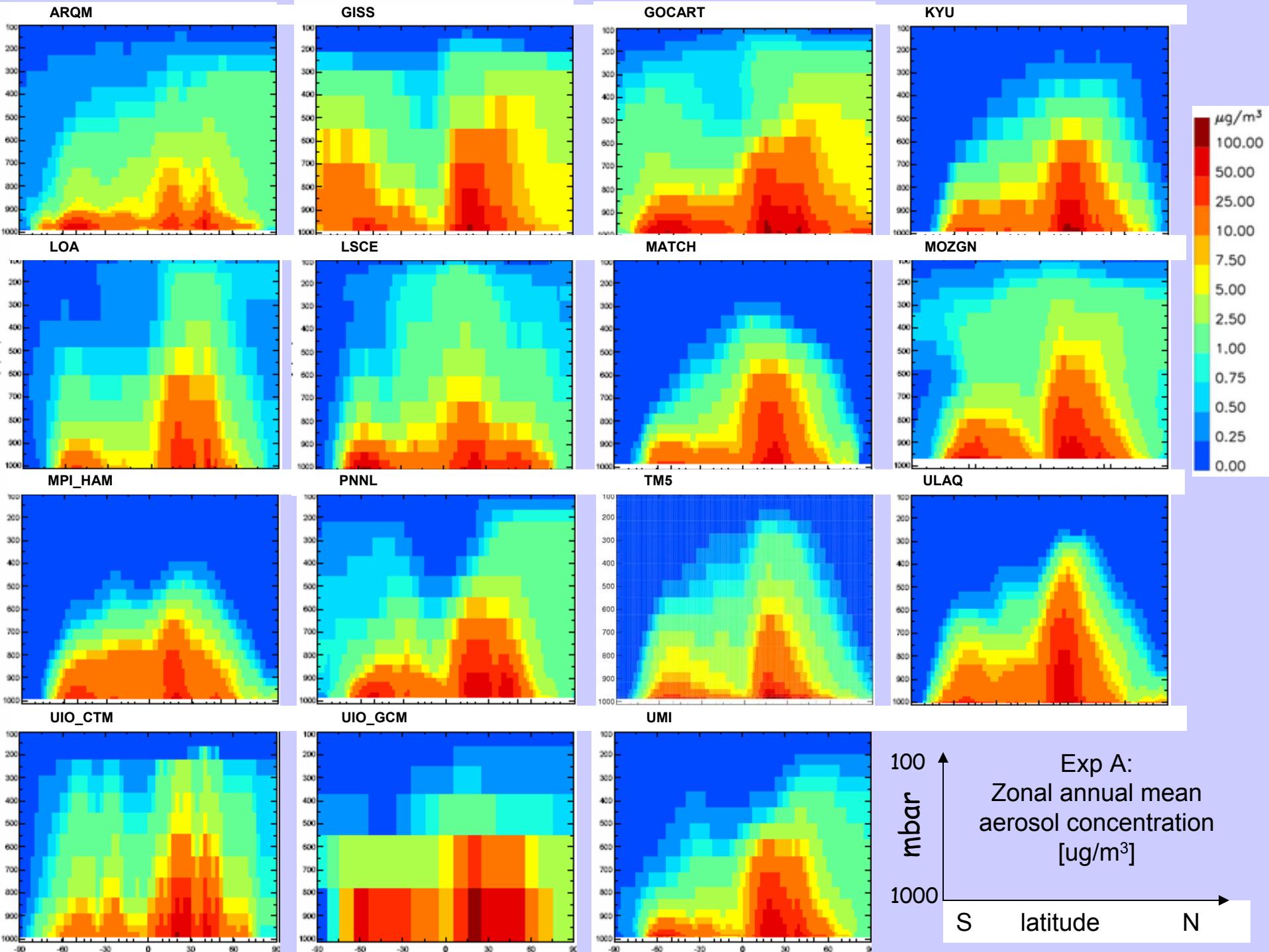
# Vertical distribution differences in the AeroCom simulations

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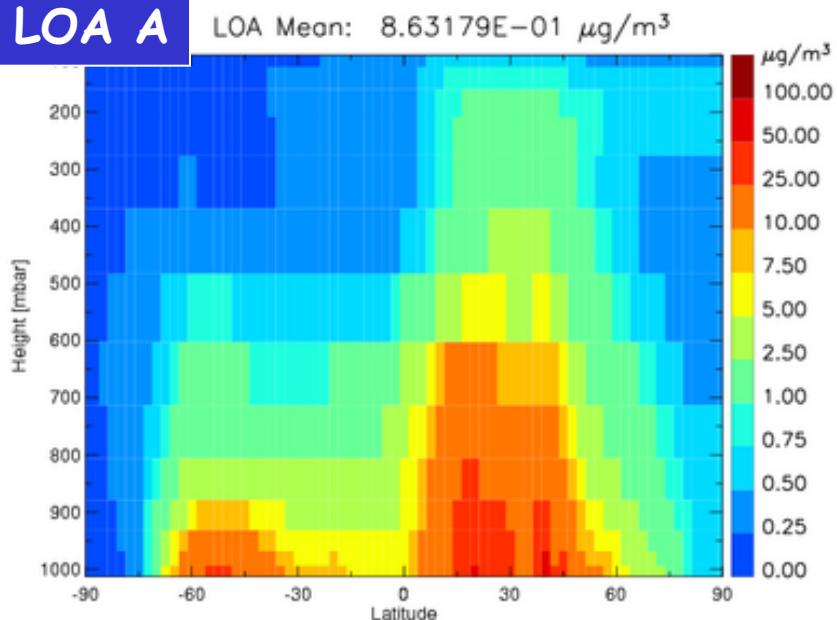
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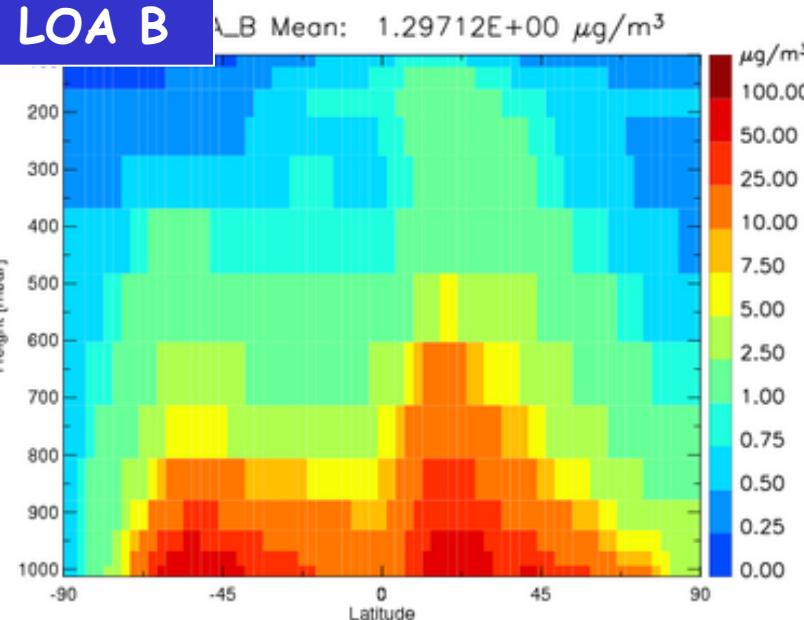


# Spatial distributions of AER in Exp A and B

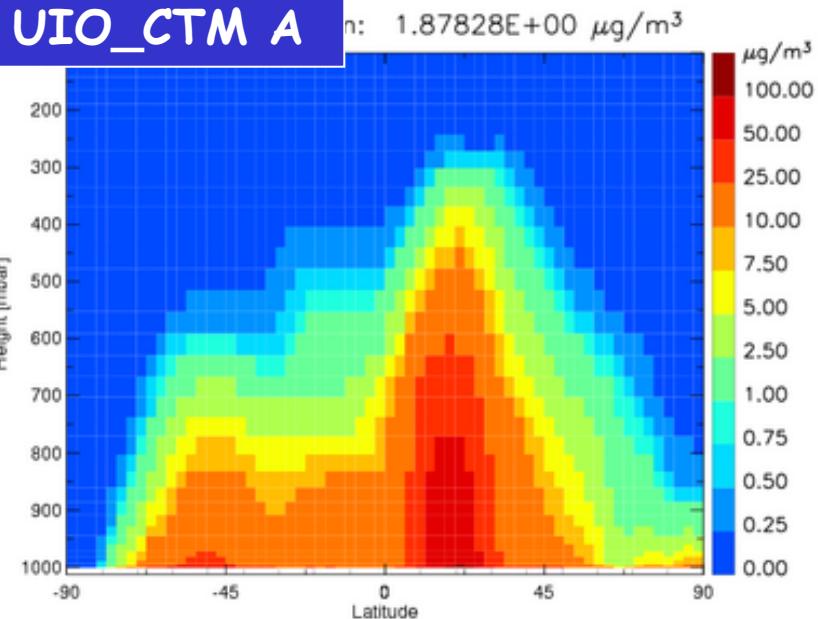
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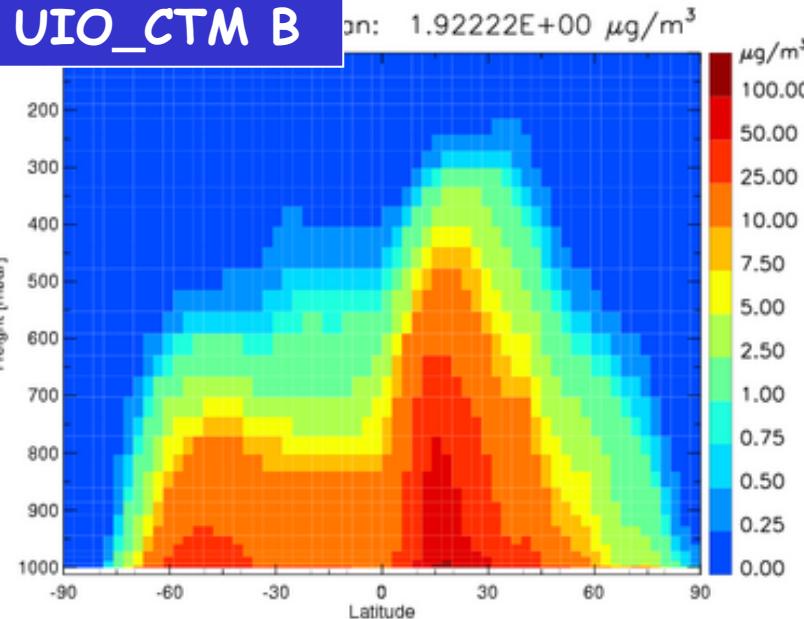
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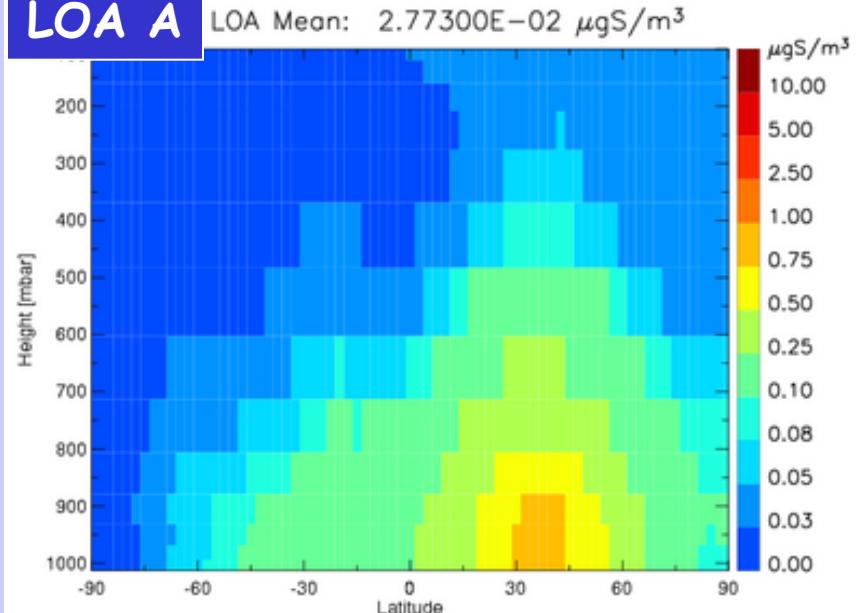


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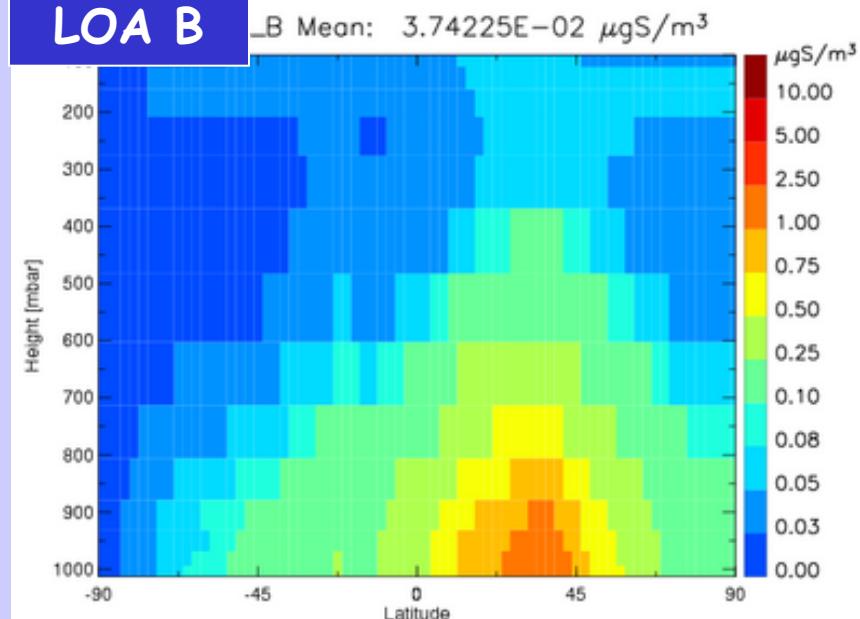


# Spatial distribution $\text{SO}_4$ in Exp A and B

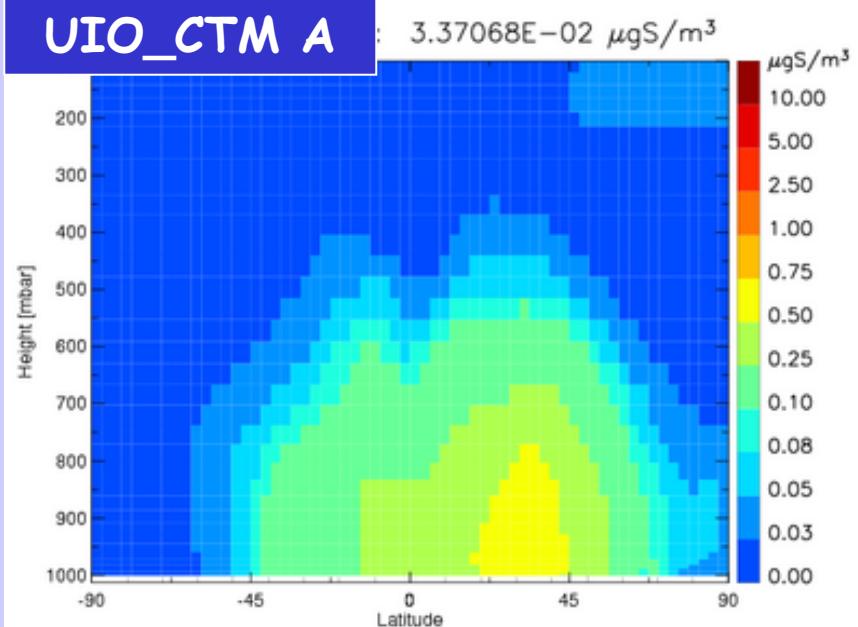
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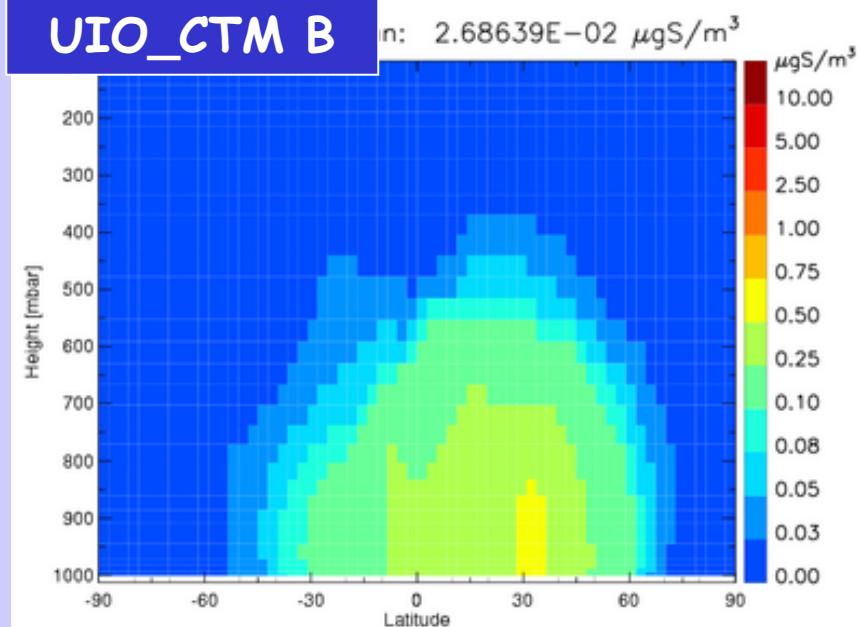
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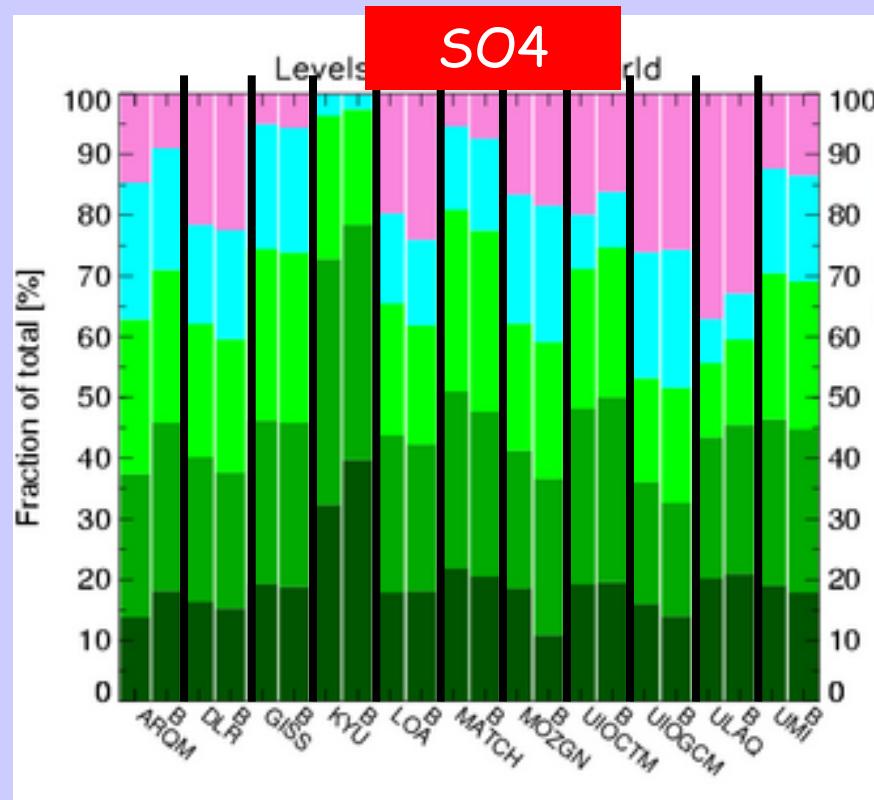
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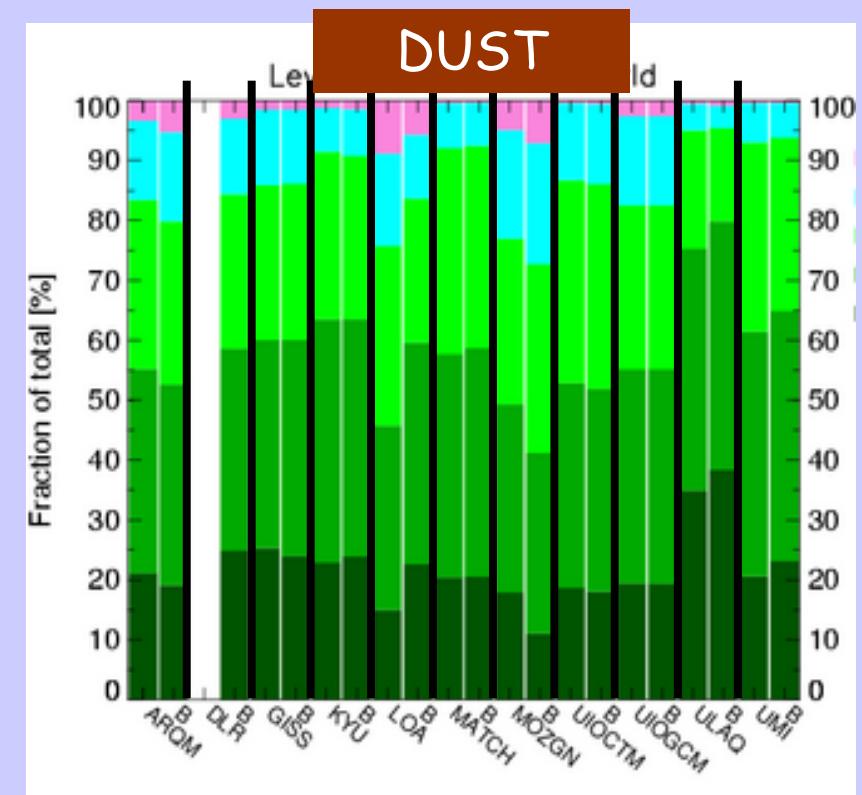
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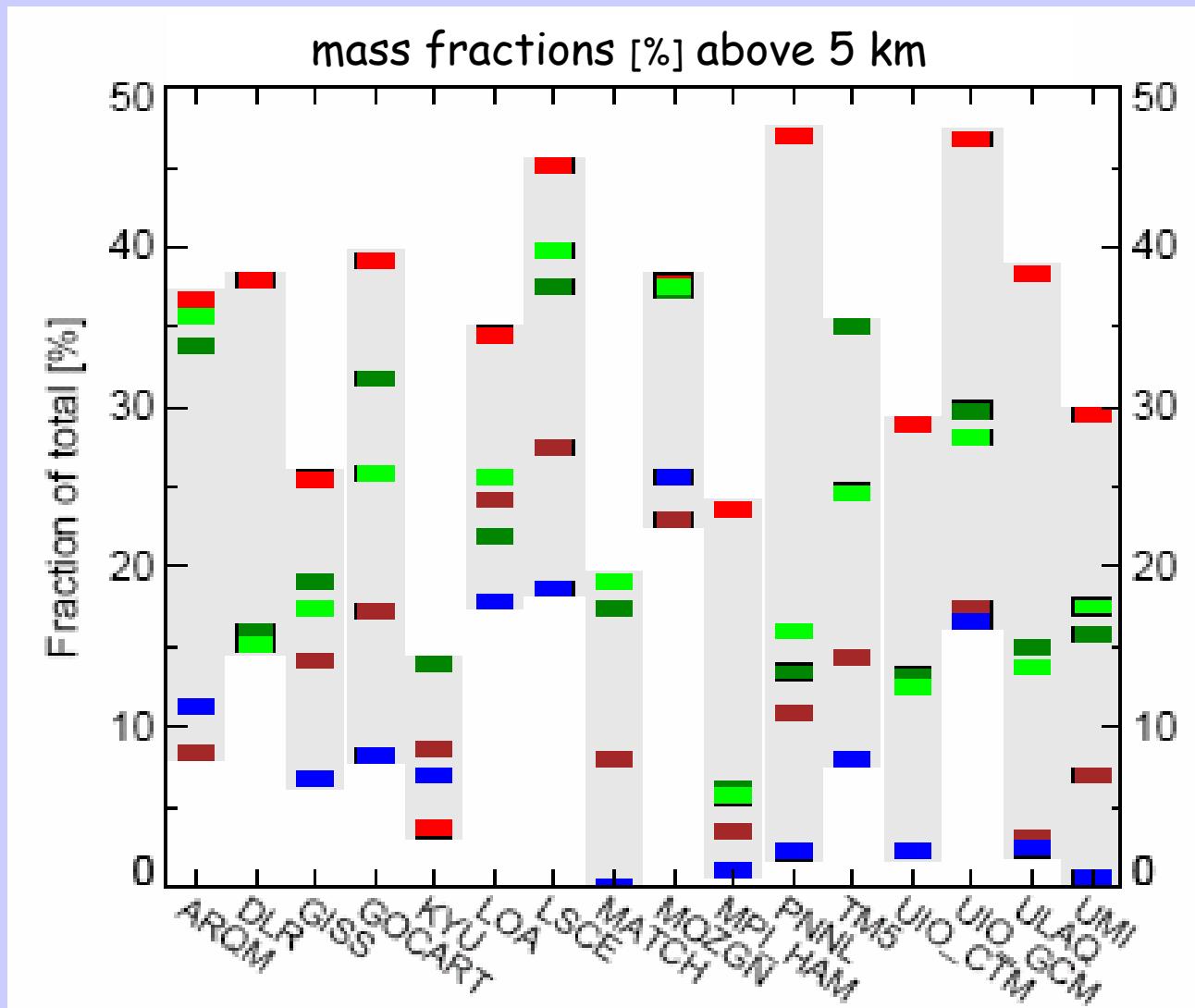
# Vertical dispersal of aerosol components in Exp A and B



mass fraction  
per height  
level [%]



# Vertical dispersal of aerosol components in Exp A

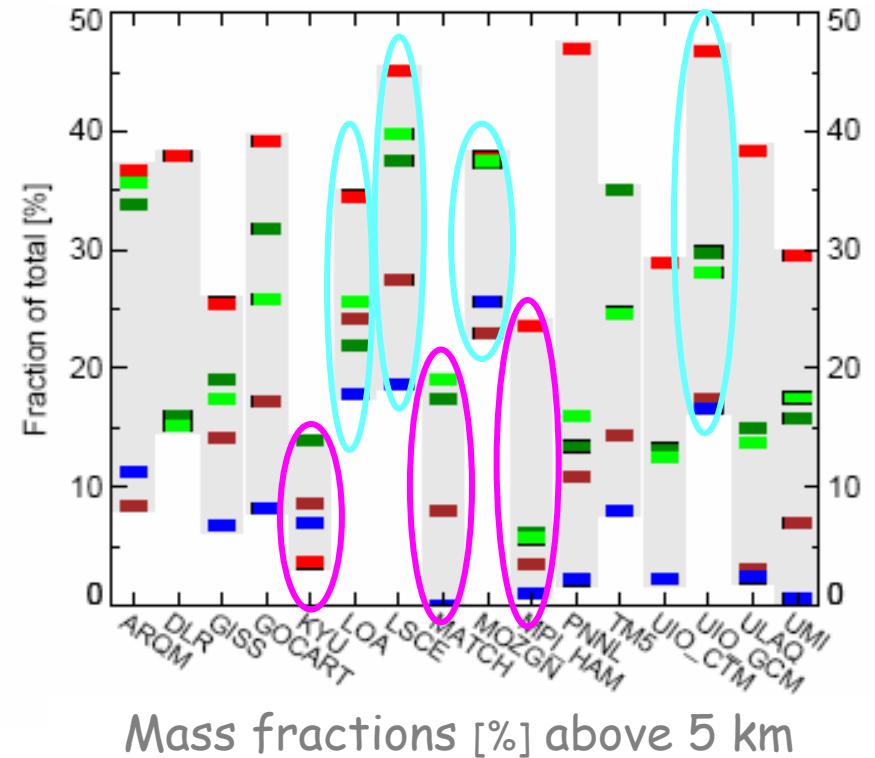


- Dispersal most effective for SO4 and BC and least for SS.

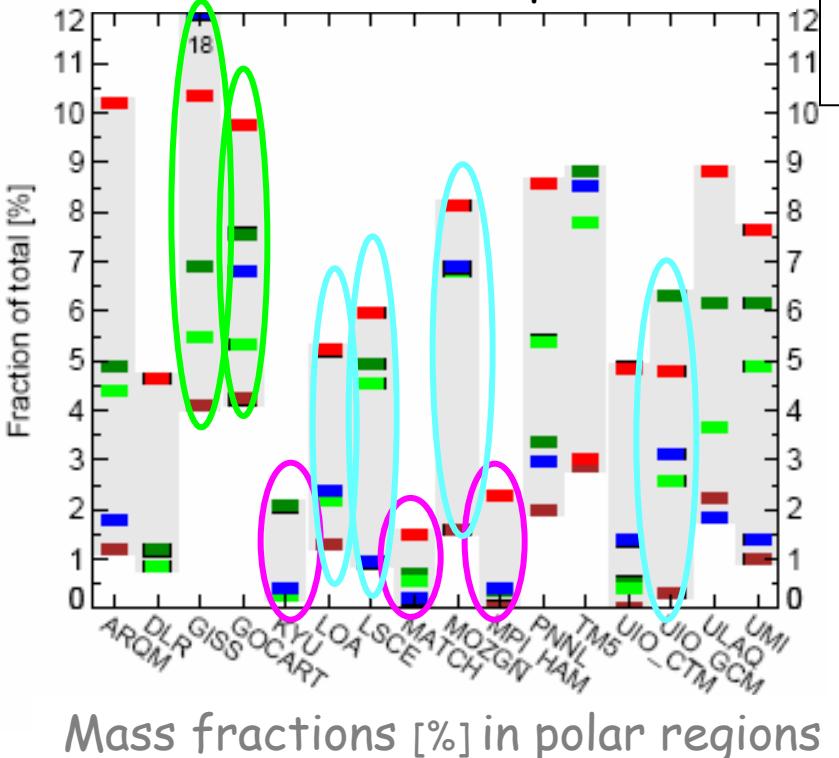
# Dispersal of aerosol components in Exp A

DUST  
SS  
SO<sub>4</sub>  
BC  
POM

vertical dispersal



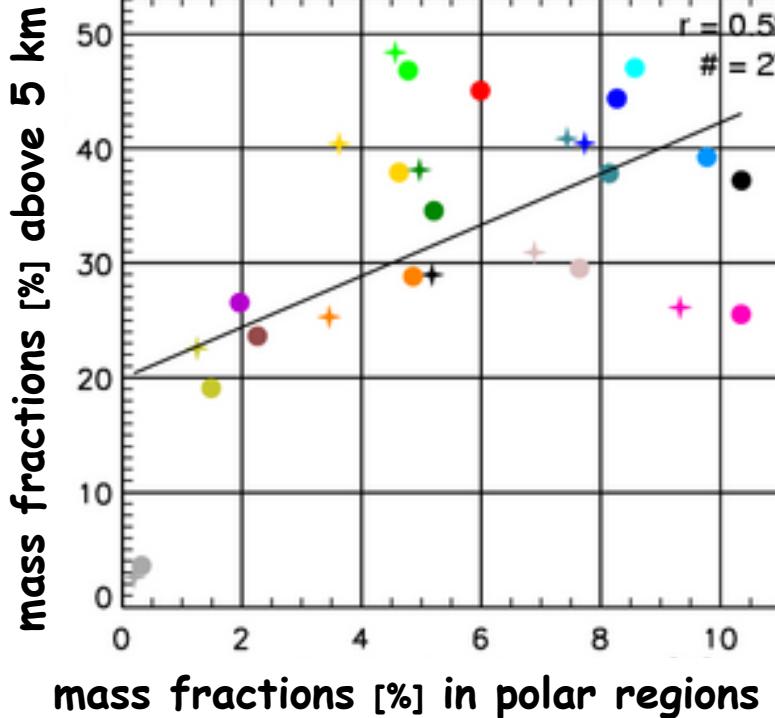
meridional dispersal



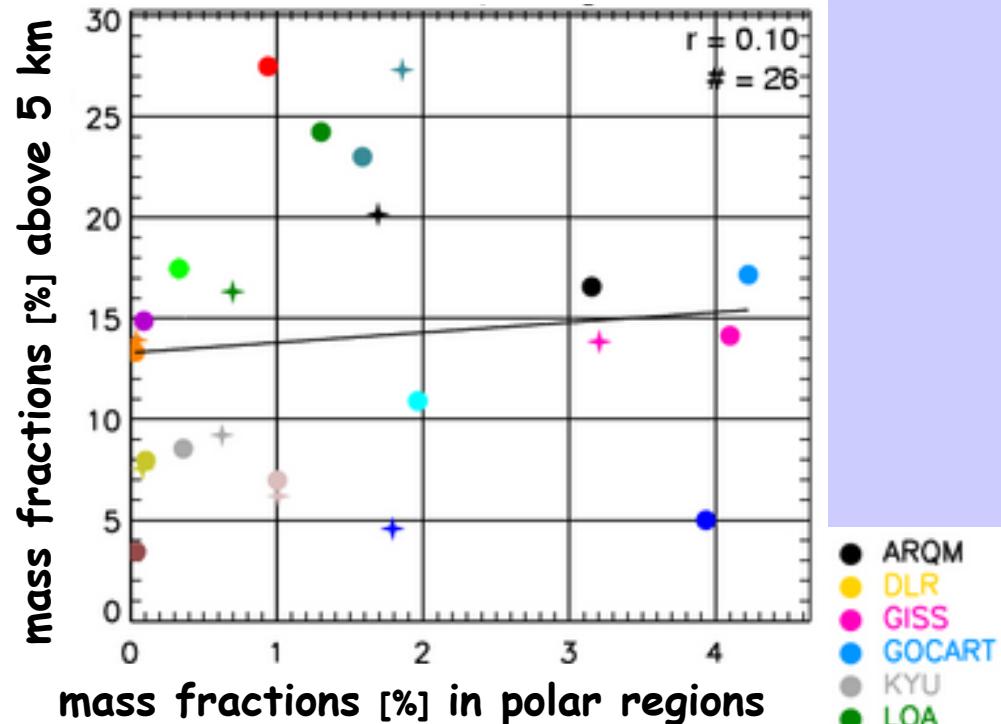
- Dispersal is species-dependent.
- Some models are less dispersive than others (KYU, MATCH, MPI).
- Passive tracer needed to distinguish aerosol from transport processes.

# Vertical vs. meridional aerosol dispersal

**SO<sub>4</sub>**



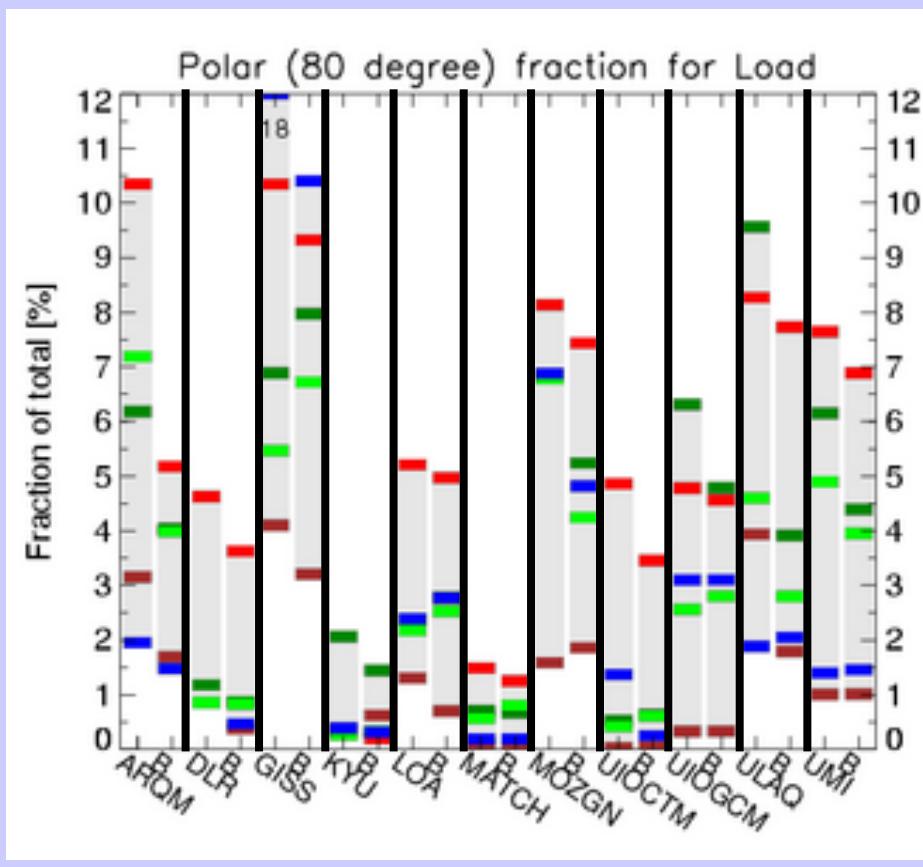
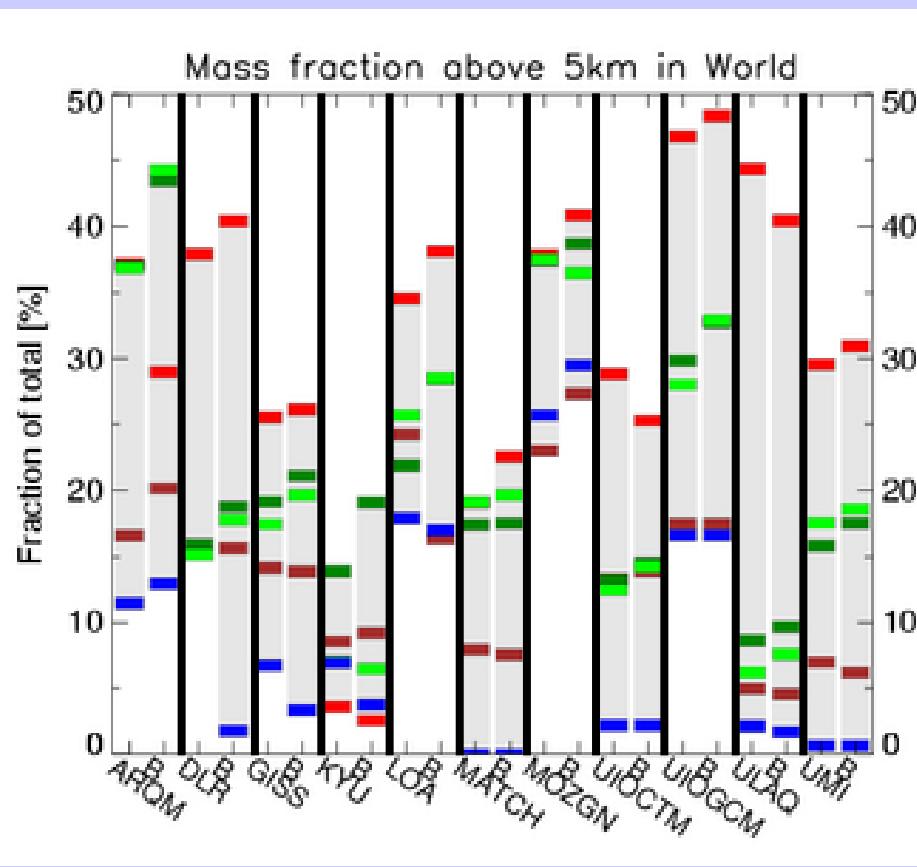
**DUST**



- fine fraction: meridional dispersal  $\sim$  vertical dispersal
- coarse fraction: no such relationship

● ARQM  
 ● DLR  
 ● GISS  
 ● GOCART  
 ● KYU  
 ● LOA  
 ● LSCE  
 ● MATCH  
 ● MOZGN  
 ● MPIHAM  
 ● PNNL  
 ● TM5B2  
 ● UIOCTM  
 ● UIOGCM  
 ● ULAQ  
 ● UMI  
  
 ● EXP A  
 + EXP B

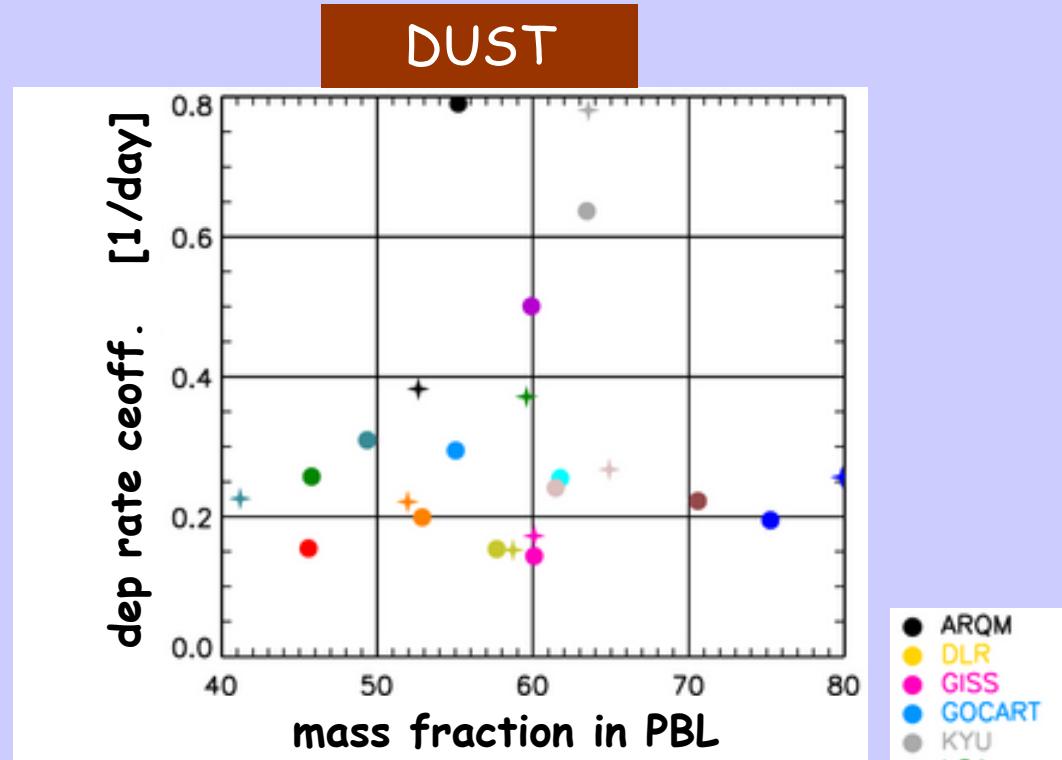
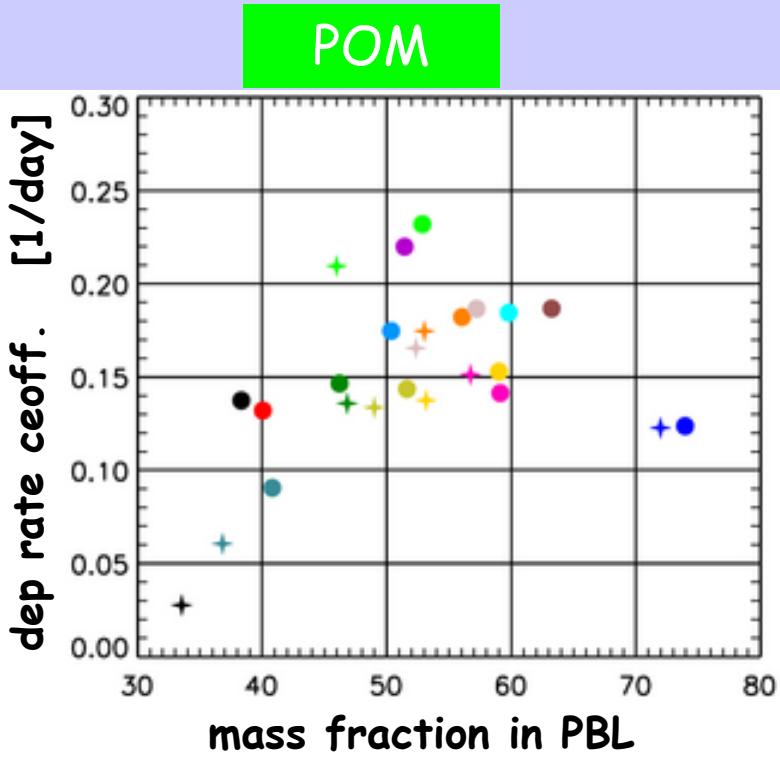
# Dispersal of aerosol components in Exp A and B



Dispersivity does not significantly change between Exp A and B!

- DUST
- SS
- SO4
- BC
- POM
- AER

# Removal rate vs vertical dispersal



- Fine fraction: sink rate larger the higher the mass fraction in the PBL (below 2.5 km).
- Coarse fraction: sink rate independent of vert. dispersal.

● ARQM  
+ EXP A  
● EXP B  
● DLR  
● GISS  
● GOCART  
● KYU  
● LOA  
● LSCE  
● MATCH  
● MOZGN  
● MPIHAM  
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● TM5B2  
● UIOCTM  
● UIOGCM  
● ULAQ  
● UMI

# Conclusions

- Vertical distributions are highly different among models.
- Minor effects of harmonized emissions and particle sizes.
- Aerosol dispersal is model- specific.
- The degree of aerosol dispersal is species-dependent.
- Fine fraction: Meridional ~ vertical dispersal  
wet dep rate ~ vertical dispersal