

Retrieval of Atmospheric Aerosol Properties for geostationary and JAXA polar-orbital Satellite Imaging Sensors

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Motivation

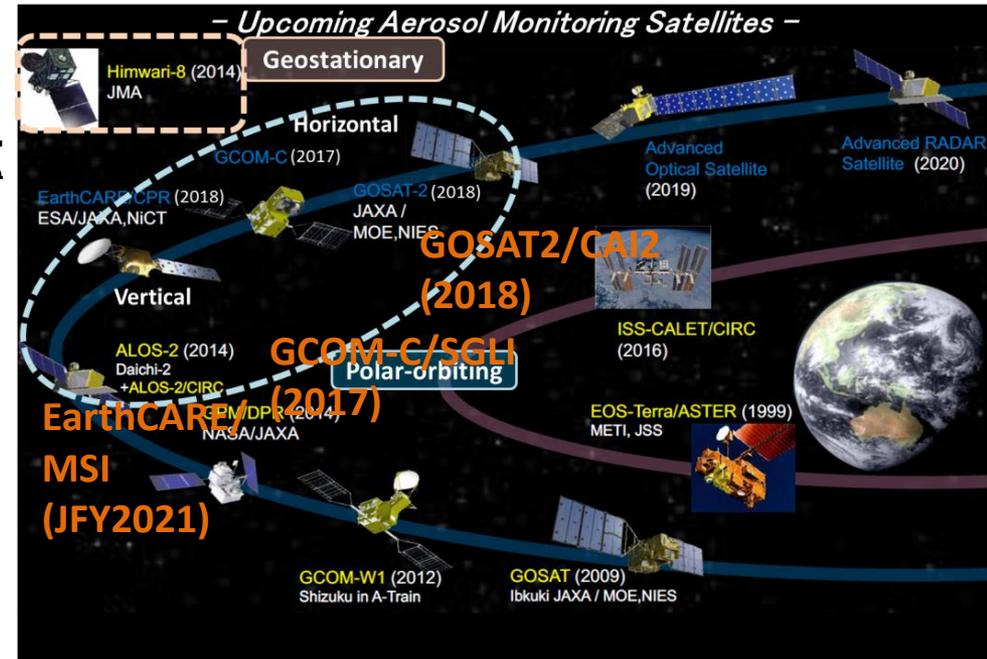
Our final goal

- produce synergistic global aerosol data set
 - using **JAXA Polar-orbiting** and **geostationary** satellites
 - Provided in near real time

This study

- A **common aerosol retrieval algorithm** is developed
 - for various satellite imaging sensors
 - over both land and ocean

Current and Upcoming Aerosol Monitoring Satellite



Target sensors

Geostationary:

Himawari-8/AHI, GOES-R, Meteosat

Polar-orbiting:

Aqua, Terra/MODIS, **GCOM-C/SGLI**,
GOSAT2/CAI2, EarthCARE/MSI

Sensor Characteristics

Himwari-8/AHI characteristics

CH	λ (nm)	IFOV (m)
1	471	1000
2	510	
3	639	500
4	857	1000
5	1610	2000
6	2257	
7	3885	
8	6243	
9	6941	
10	7347	
11	8592	
12	9637	
13	10407	
14	11240	
15	12381	
16	13311	

High temporal resolutions

16 bands in Visible-Infrared
10 minutes interval

GCOM-C/SGLI characteristics

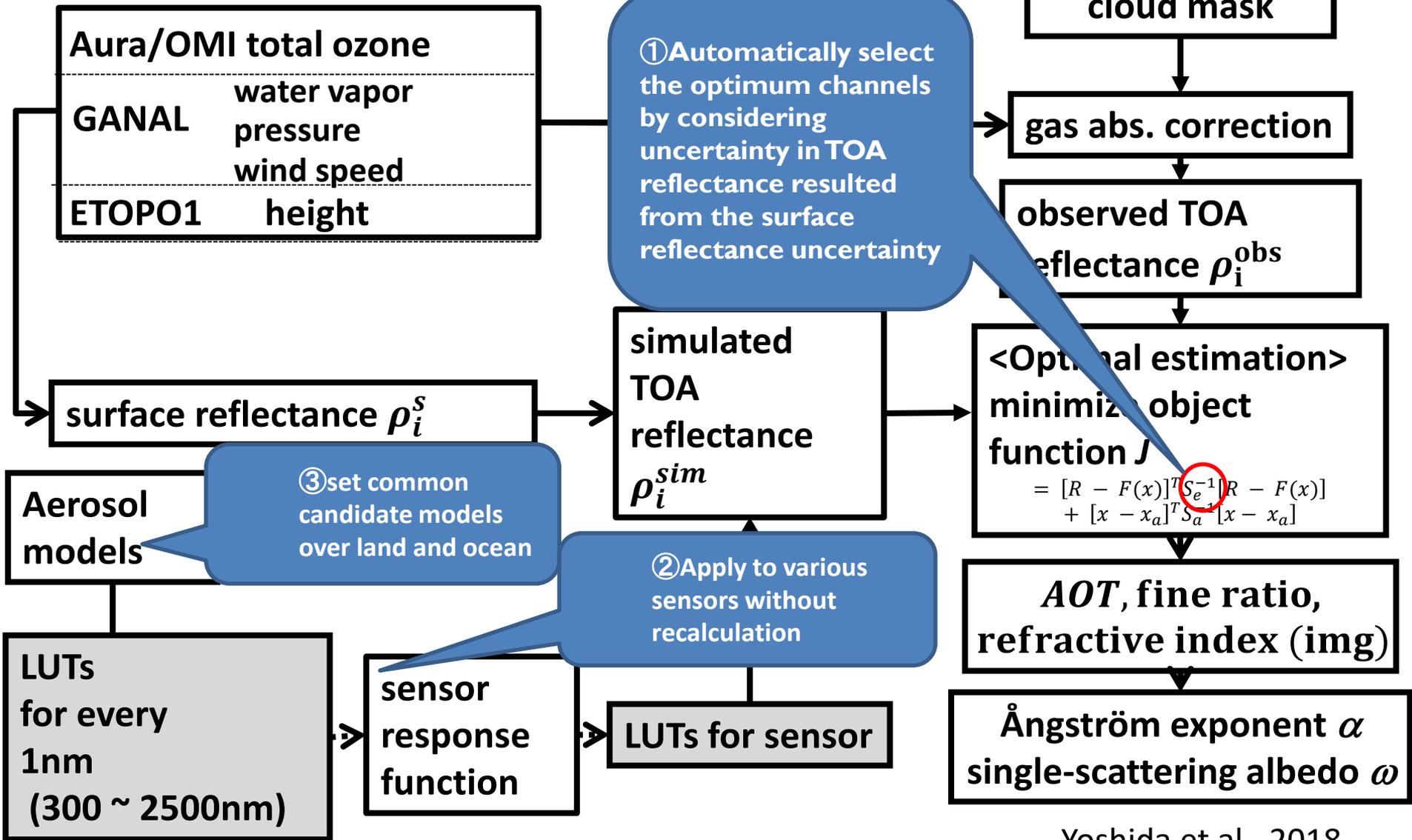
CH	λ (nm)	IFOV(m)	
VN1	380	250	
VN2	412		
VN3	443		
VN4	490		
VN5	530		
VN6	565		
VN7	673.5		
VN8	673.5		
VN9	763		
VN10	868.5		
VN11	868.5		
POL1	673.5	1000	
POL2	868.5		
SW1	1050		
SW2	1380		
SW3	1630		250
SW4	2210		1000
TIR1	10800		250
TIR2	12000		250

High spatial resolutions

19 bands in Visible-Infrared

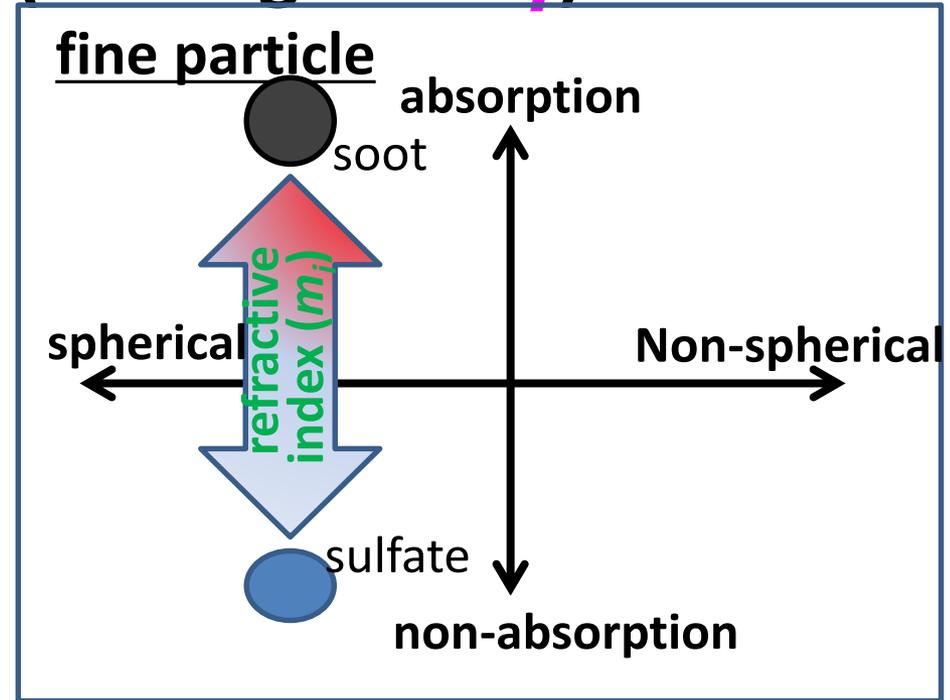
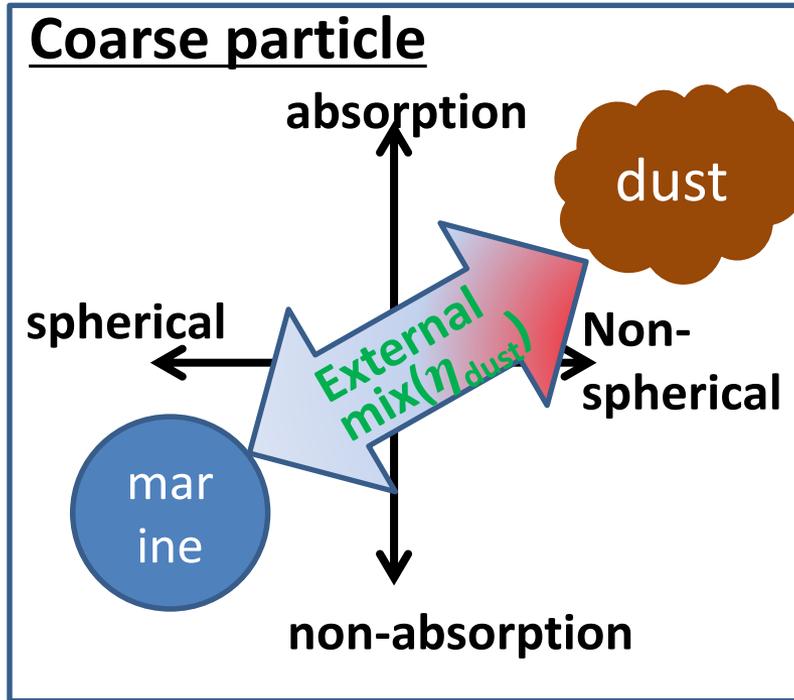
L2 Algorithm (aerosol retrieval)

- based on the method developed by Higurashi and Nakajima (1998) and Fukuda et al. (2013)
- 3 ideas for common retrieval



Aerosol model

external mixture (mixing ratio η)



*each aerosol model is based on Omar et al., 2005 and Sayer et al., 2012.

Estimated parameter

- Aerosol optical thickness

- Fine ratio(η)

- Single scattering albedo coarse: external volume mixing ratio (η_{dust})

- fine: imaginary part of the refractive index (m_i)

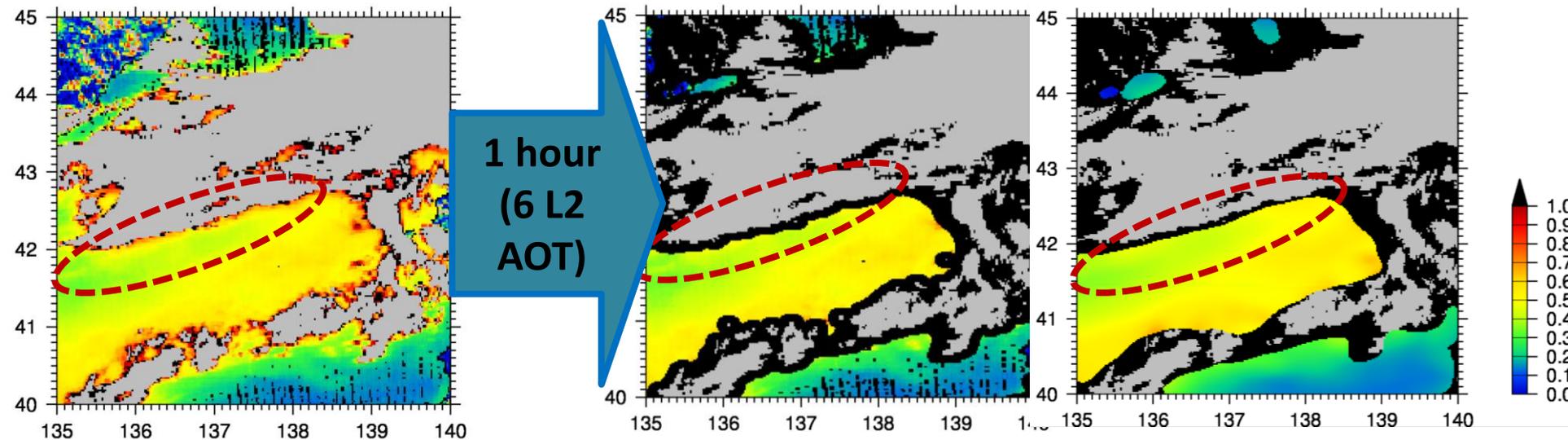
L3 Algorithm

01 : 00 UTC, 27 April 2015

L2 AOT

AOT_{pure}

AOT_{merge}

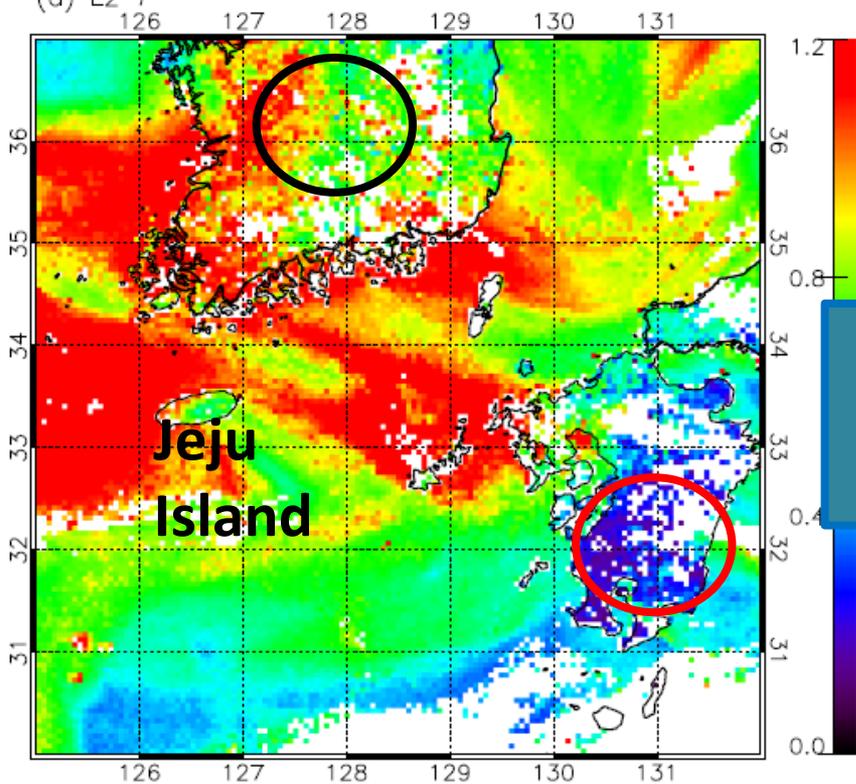


- Quality control (cloud screening) of AOT using difference in spatiotemporal variability between aerosol and cloud
- Minimize the missing data by using past and surrounding data

Retrieval Results (Himawar-8/AHI)

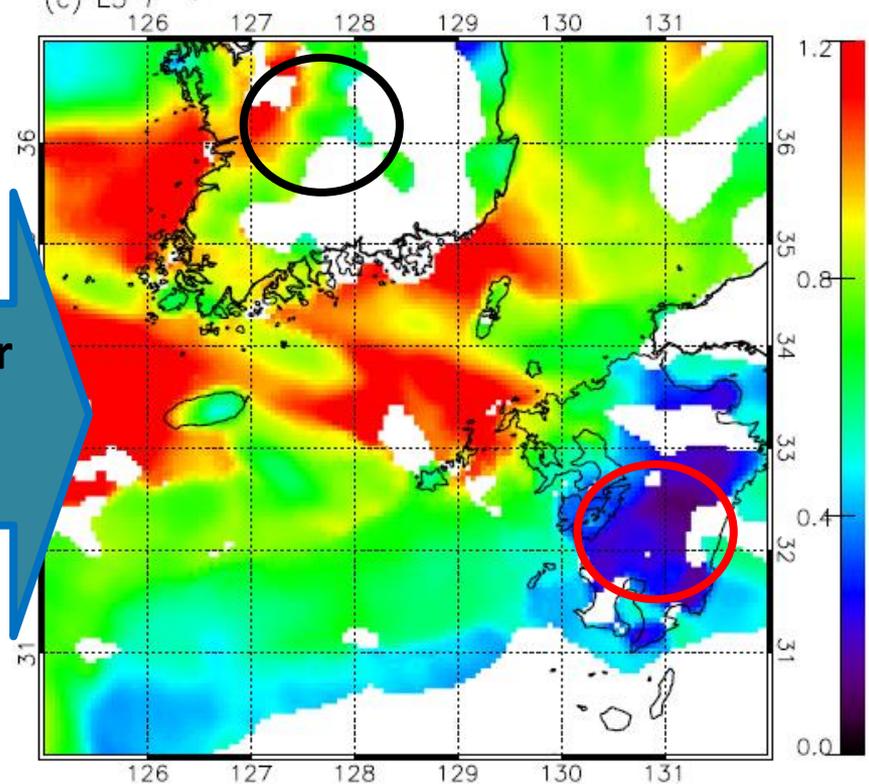
16 JST 27 Apr. 2018 : continental air pollutant transported to Kyusyu

(d) L2 τ L2 AOT (every 10 min)



1 hour
(6 L2
AOT)

(c) L3 τ_{merge} L3 merged AOT (every hour)



- The high and nearly continuous AOT over land and ocean are estimated
- High AOT caused by local noise or insufficient cloud screening was eliminated and interpolated smoothly in L3

Retrieval Results (Himawar-8/AHI)

2018-04-27 08:00 JST

Jeju Island (altitude:1950m)
(blocks the aerosol)



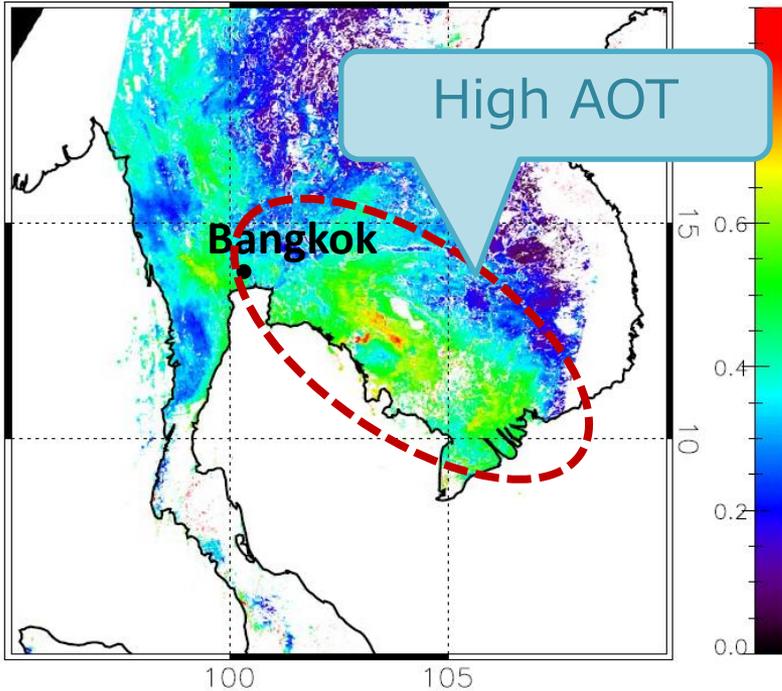
- Aerosol transport are captured using frequent observation from AHI

Retrieval Results (GCOM-C/SGLI)

29 Jan. 2019 Thailand (school closed due to air pollution at Bangkok)

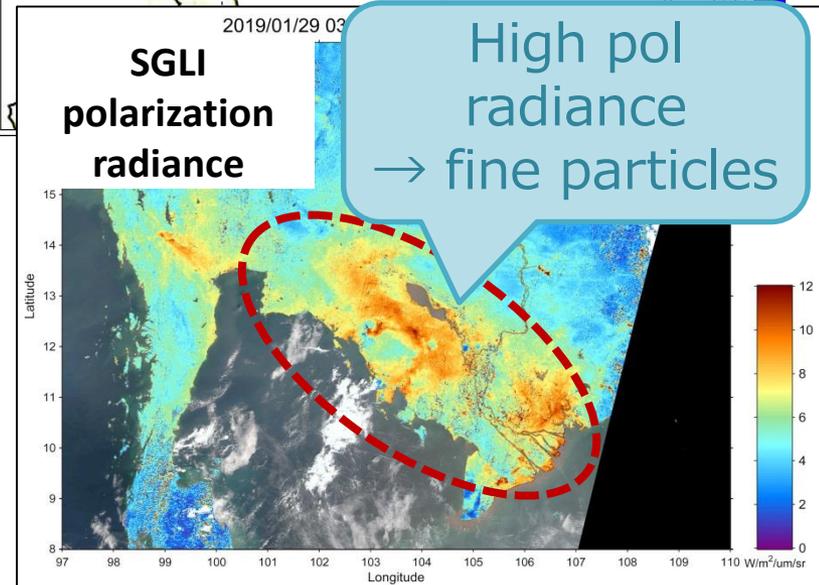
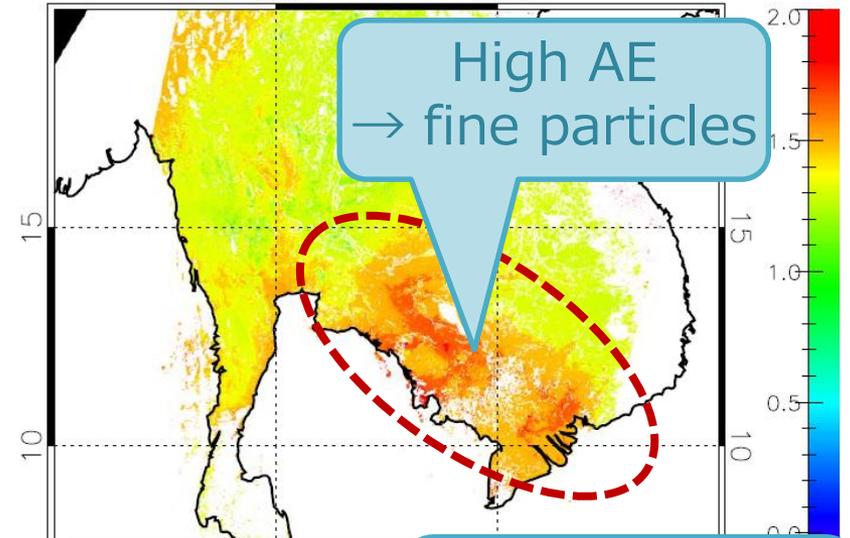
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AOT_Land

AOT@500nm



GC1SG1_20190129D01D
AE_Land

AE@500-380nm



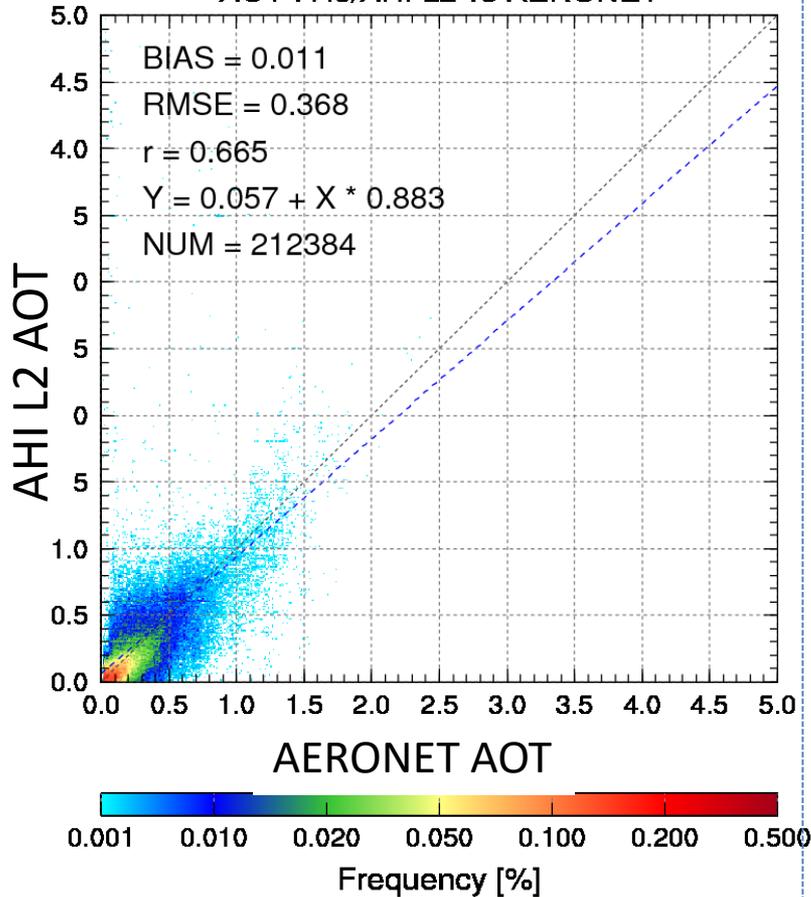
- The high AOT and AE (i.e. fine particles) are estimated corresponding to local air pollution report
- Estimated AOT and AE are consistent with SGLI polarization observation

Validation (AHI vs AERONET)

Frequency distributions : 1 year, all AERONET site

L2 Ver.020 2017/5 – 2018/4

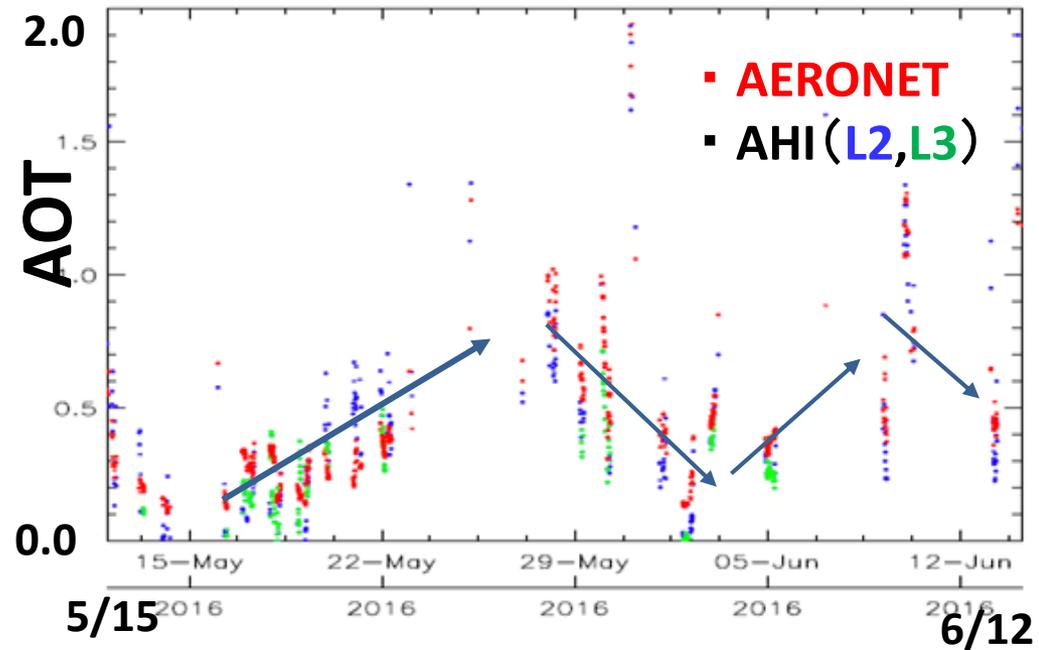
AOT : H8/AHI L2 vs AERONET



- AHI AOT is generally consistent with AERONET

Time variation

Baeksa in Korea



- L2: snapshot retrievals every 10 min
- L3: cloud screening data using 1hour data

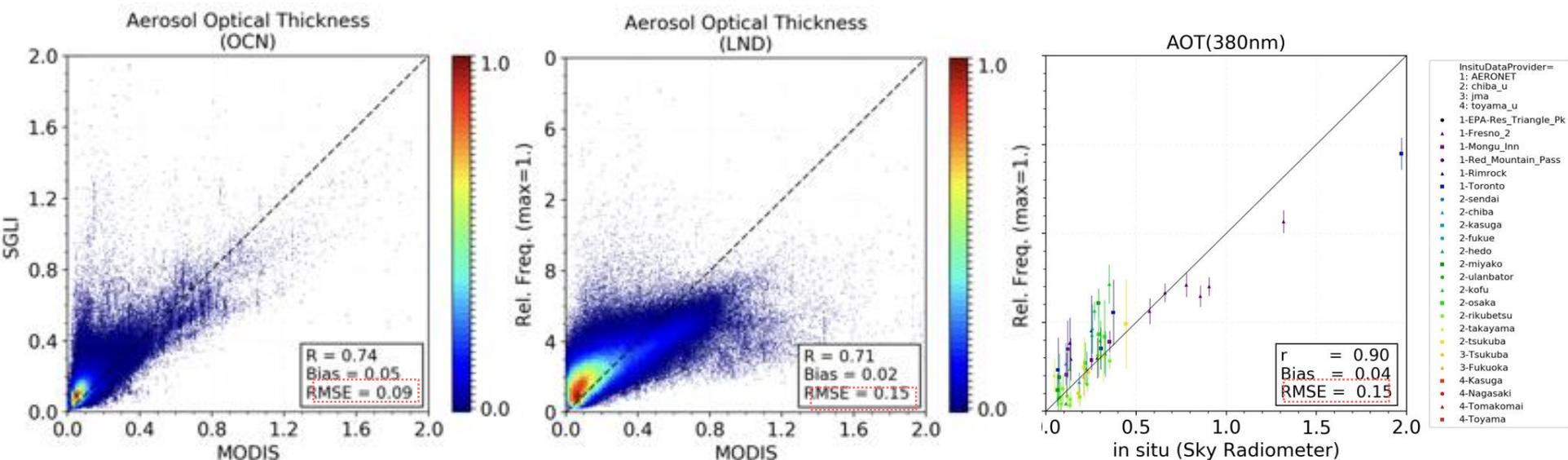
- AHI AOT successfully represent the time variation of AERONET

Validation (SGLI) : preliminary

AOT over Ocean (Monthly)
vs. MODIS (DT method)

AOT over Land (Monthly)
vs. MODIS (DT method)

AOT over Land (instantaneous)
SGLI 0.1 deg. Grid average
vs. In-situ (SKYNET, AERONET)



RMSE

Estimated errors	Release threshold	Standard accuracy	Target accuracy
0.09 (ocean-other sat., monthly ave.)	0.10 (monthly ave.)	0.10 (scene)	0.05 (scene)
0.15 (land-other sat., monthly ave.) 0.15 (land-in-situ, scene)	0.15 (monthly ave.)	0.15 (scene)	0.10 (scene)

Release threshold is achieved

Data distribution

**Himawari-8/AHI:
JAXA Himawari Monitor**

**GCOM-C/SGLI:
G-Portal**

User Registration → User Registration User Guide

Date: 2016 / 4 / 25 / 00:09 UTC

2016/04/25

Yellow dust

<http://www.eorc.jaxa.jp/ptree/index.html>

G-Portal
地球観測衛星データ提供システム

G-Portalは、様々な分野で利用いただくことを目的とした地球観測データを無償で提供しています。

<https://gportal.jaxa.jp/>

お知らせ [2018/11/19] GCOM-W/AMS2のプロダクト一時提供中止
2018年11月19日に処理したプロダクトの一部が不完全でしたので、プロダクトの公開を一時的に停止しております。

利用事例

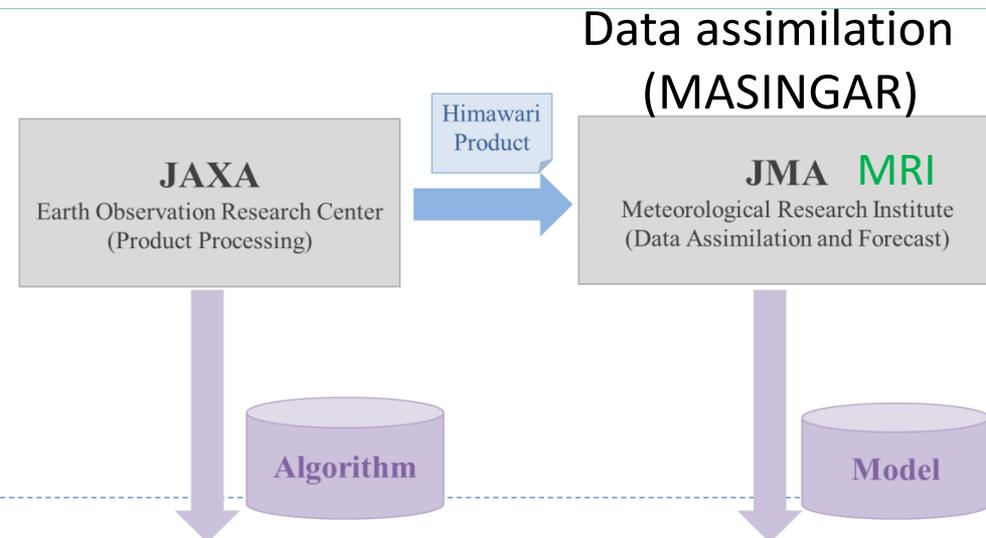
GCOM-C
Global Change Observation Mission - Climate

GCOM-C/SGLI

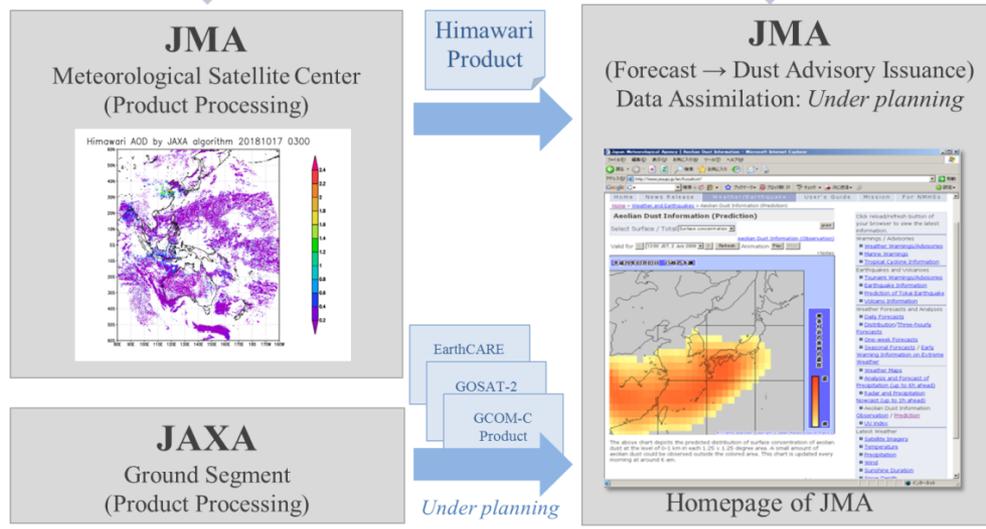
- distribute original (Level 1) and geophysical (Level 2) products
- Data can be achieved with simple user registration

JMA-JAXA Collaboration Framework

Development Phase



Operational Phase



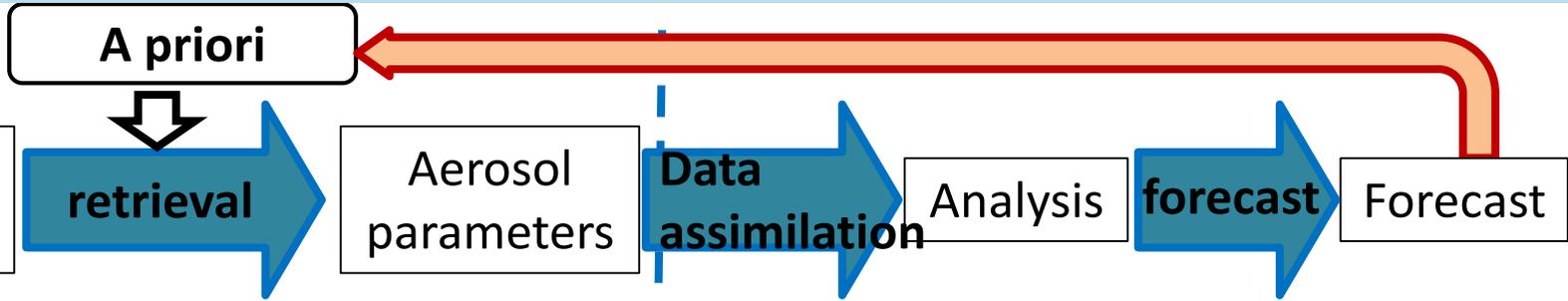
➡ Data Flow ➡ Software Provision

- JAXA provided JMA the Himawari aerosol algorithm (L2, L3)
- JMA implemented the algorithm to its operational system and started its experimental operation since December 2018

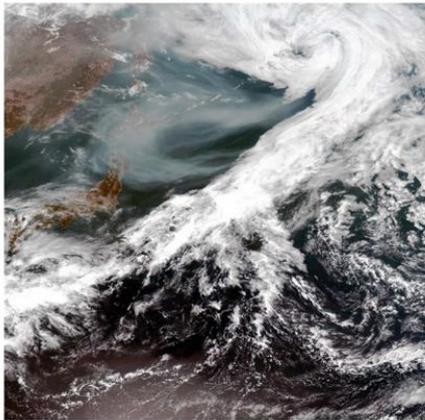


Next step: Utilization of aerosol transport model

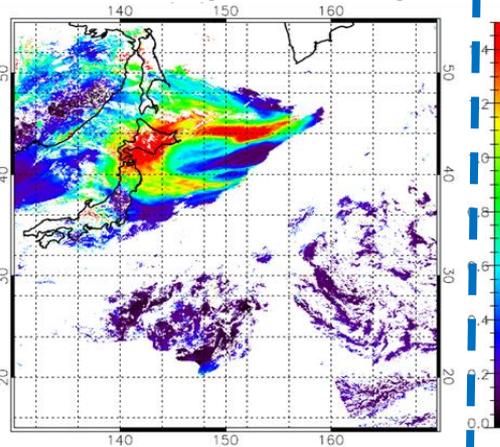
aerosol data assimilation system collaborated with MRI and Kyusyu-Univ.



Observed RGB



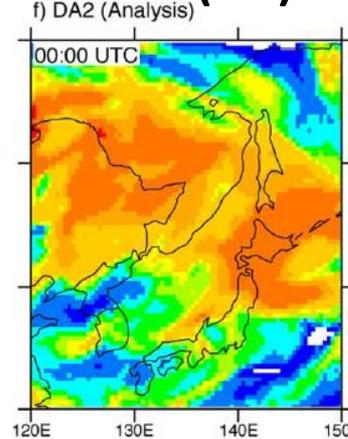
AOT (satellite)



Yoshida et al.,2018

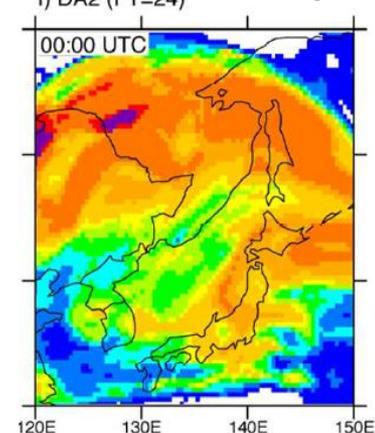
Retrieval
@JAXA

AOT (DA)



Yumimoto et al.,2018

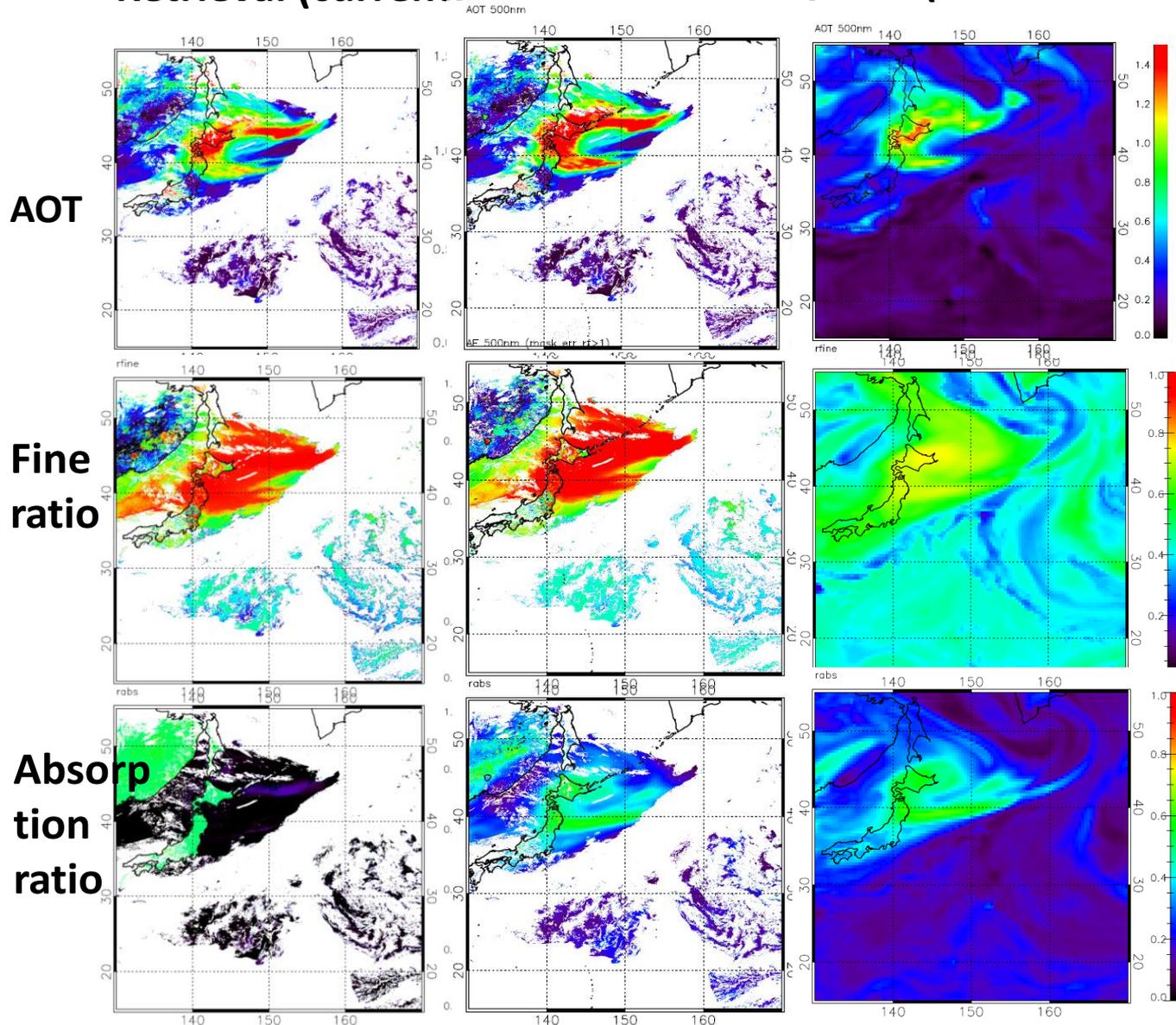
AOT (FT=24)



Data assimilation and forecast
@MRI

Preliminary Results

Retrieval (current) New Results A priori (model forecast)



02UTC, 19 May 2016:
Aerosol originated
from wildfires

- Absorption ratio seems to be improved
- less noisy AOT and fine ratio
- AOT seems to well capture observed aerosol front
- Should be validated in future

Summary

- We developed **a common algorithm** to retrieve aerosol properties for various satellite sensors over land and ocean.
 - common aerosol models
 - common lookup tables
 - automatic selection of the optimum channels
- This method was applied to the **Advanced Himawari Imager (AHI) /Himawari-8** and **SGLI/GCOM-C**.
- The retrieved AOT are generally **consistent with MODIS and AERONET** product.
- The retrieved product is distributed at **JAXA Himawari Monitor and G-portal**.
- **The utilization of aerosol properties forecasted by a global aerosol transport model** as a priori seems to improve the retrieval, but should be validated in future.

Thank you

BackUp

L2 Algorithm

- we derived the aerosol parameters (τ, η_f , and m_i) using an optimal estimation method (Rodgers 2000).
- The state vector of a set of aerosol parameters $\mathbf{x} = \{\tau, \eta_f, m_i\}$ was derived by minimizing the object function J (Eq. 6). It uses the measurement vector of a gas-corrected observed reflectance set $\mathbf{R} = \{\rho_i^{obs}, i = 1, \dots, N\}$ and simulated TOA reflectance $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \{\rho_i^{sim}, i = 1, \dots, N\}$, where N is the channel number.

$$J = [\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})]^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1} [\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})] + [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_a]^T \mathbf{S}_a^{-1} [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_a] \quad (6),$$

$\mathbf{x}_a = \{\tau_a, \eta_{f_a}, m_{i_a}\}$: the vector of a prior estimate of \mathbf{x}

\mathbf{S}_e and \mathbf{S}_a : the covariance matrices of \mathbf{R} and \mathbf{x}_a

$$\mathbf{S}_e = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sigma_N^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (7)$$

- the uncertainty in TOA reflectance $\sigma_i^2 = \sigma_s^2 + \sigma_n^2$,
 σ_s : the uncertainty in the TOA reflectance that results from $\Delta\rho_i^S$.
 σ_n : sensor noise (calculated from the signal-to-noise ratio)
- We assume $\Delta\rho_i^S$ to be some percentage of the surface reflectance (ρ_i^S) at each channel. The percentage is calculated at each pixel from the standard deviation of surface reflectance for 1 month at a channel whose ρ_i^{sim} is most sensitive to ρ_i^S (i.e., ρ_i^{sim}/ρ_i^S is the largest), when ρ_i^S at 470 nm is lower than ρ_i^S at 640 nm (i.e., the reflectance should be minimally influenced by heavy aerosol loading).
- the uncertainties of the three aerosol parameters (τ, η_f , and m_i) $\mathbf{S}_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}$ were calculated using the law of error propagation, as follows:

$$\mathbf{S}_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1} \mathbf{A})^{-1}, \quad (10)$$

\mathbf{A} : the Jacobian matrix

Surface reflectance

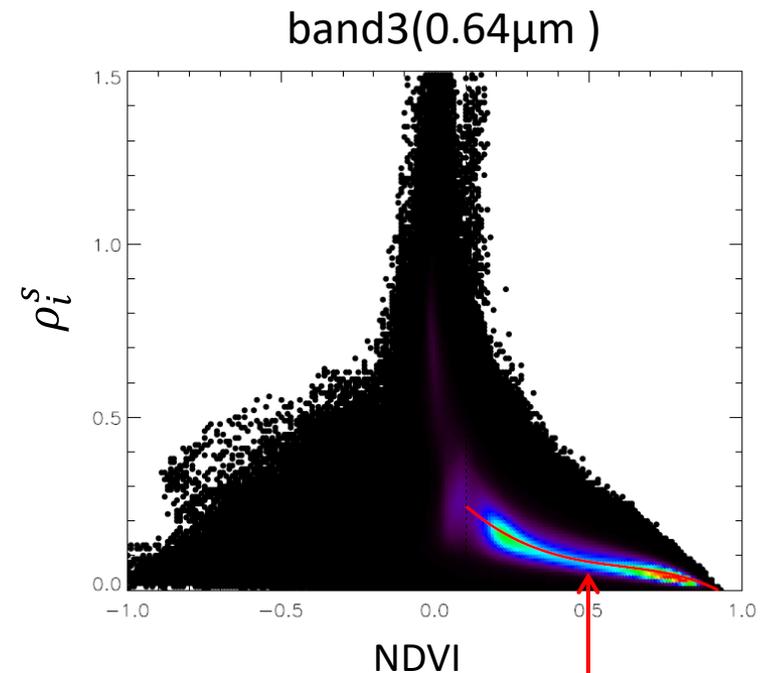
- adopt the **second lowest reflectance** (ρ_i^S) at 470 nm within one month
- In the case of $\rho_i^S@470nm > \rho_i^S@640nm$
 - ✓ influenced by residual aerosol contamination
 - ✓ **adopt the modified Kaufman method (Fukuda et al. 2013)**

$$\rho_i^S = \sum_{k=0}^4 a_k NDVI^k,$$
$$NDVI = \frac{R_{band4} - R_{band3}}{R_{band4} + R_{band3}}$$

- **The standard deviation of surface reflectance in one month** is used for the reference of the ρ_i^S estimation error for the AOT retrieval

Probability density distribution

- ✓ all AHI area
- ✓ 1 year data in 2016
- ✓ $\rho_i^S@470nm < \rho_i^S@640nm$
(less influenced by heavy aerosol loading)



Fitting by mode values

L3 algorithm

Described aerosol temporal/spatial variance in RMSD from the target

$$\sigma_{\Delta L, \Delta t} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_1^N \{ \underbrace{AOT(x', y', t')}_{\text{AOT where } \Delta L, \Delta t \text{ away from the target}} - \underbrace{AOT(x_0, y_0, t_0)}_{\text{AOT at the target}} \}^2}$$

Derived 2 types of AOT

1. AOTmerge

Estimated the target AOT by the optimum interpolation using the surrounding and the past one hour data, including the target AOT

AOTmerge is an AOT dataset with minimum missing retrieval

$$AOT_{merge}(x_0, y_0, t_0) = \sum_{i=0}^n \underbrace{w_i}_{\substack{\text{surrounding and past AOT} \\ \text{weighted according to AOT difference} \\ \text{induced from the distance and time difference}}} AOT(x_i, y_i, t_i) \quad w_i = \frac{\frac{1}{\sigma(x_i, y_i, t_i)^2}}{\frac{1}{\sigma_{merge}(x, y, t)^2}}$$

2. AOTpure

Estimated the target AOT by the optimum interpolation using the surrounding and the past one hour data, excluding the target AOT

→ selected to be AOTpure if it was within the 99% of confidence interval*1

*1 defined to be within 2.58σ assuming the error was in normal distribution

AOTpure is a highly accurate AOT dataset with minimum cloud contamination

$$AOT_{pure}(x_0, y_0, t_0) =$$

$$\begin{cases} AOT(x_0, y_0, t_0) & \text{if } \underbrace{AOT_{est}(x_0, y_0, t_0)}_{\text{estimated AOT}} - \underbrace{2.58\sigma_{pure}(x_0, y_0, t_0)}_{\text{99\% confidence int.}} \leq \underbrace{AOT(x_0, y_0, t_0)}_{\text{observed AOT}} \leq \underbrace{AOT_{est}(x_0, y_0, t_0)}_{\text{estimated AOT}} + \underbrace{2.58\sigma_{pure}(x_0, y_0, t_0)}_{\text{99\% confidence int.}} \\ N/A & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

L2 Evaluation with MODIS

June 2016

Ocean

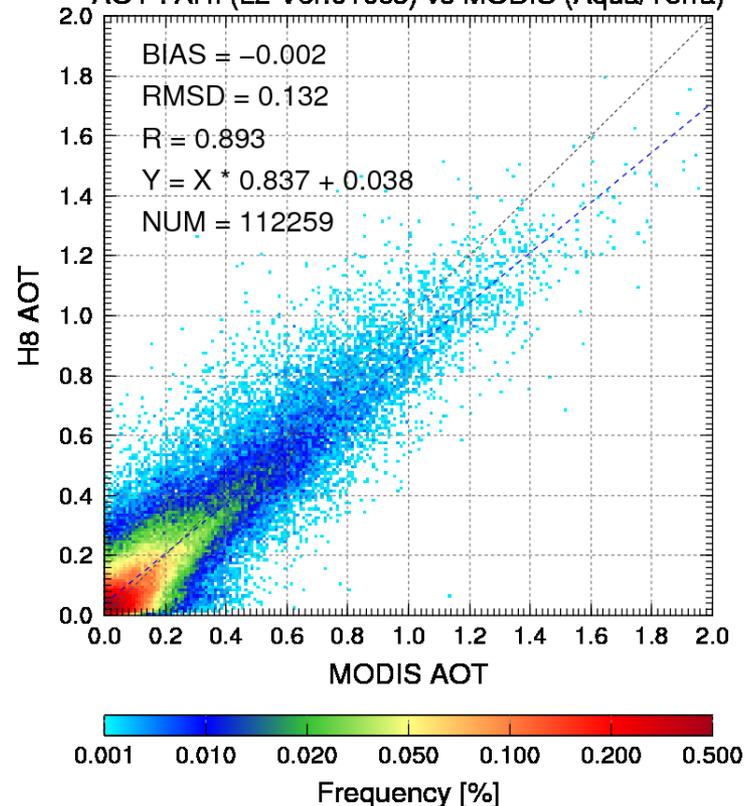
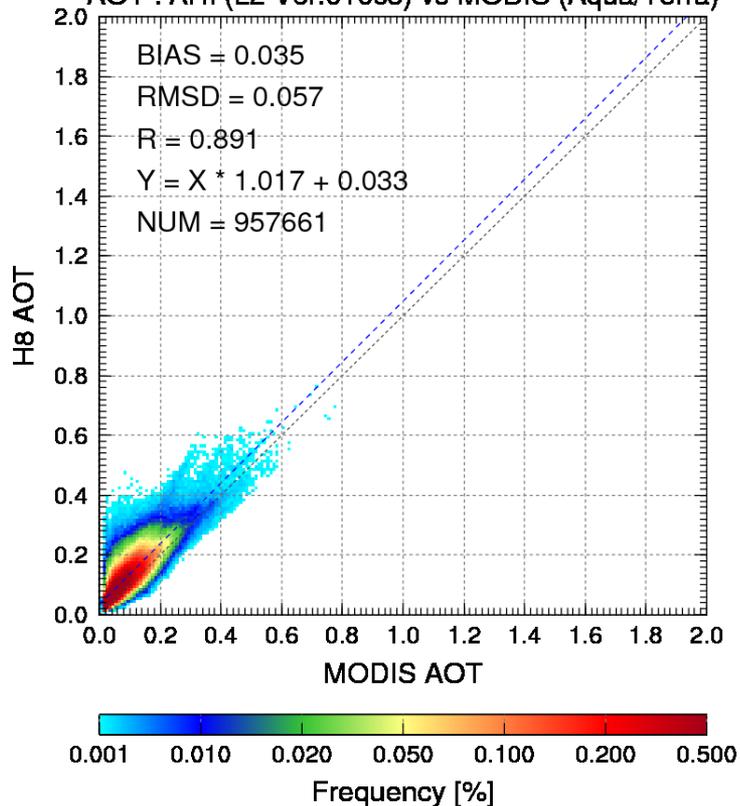
Land

Sea : 2016/06 : AOT Confidence = very good or good

Land : 2016/06 : AOT Confidence = very good or good

AOT : AHI (L2 Ver.010c5) vs MODIS (Aqua/Terra)

AOT : AHI (L2 Ver.010c5) vs MODIS (Aqua/Terra)

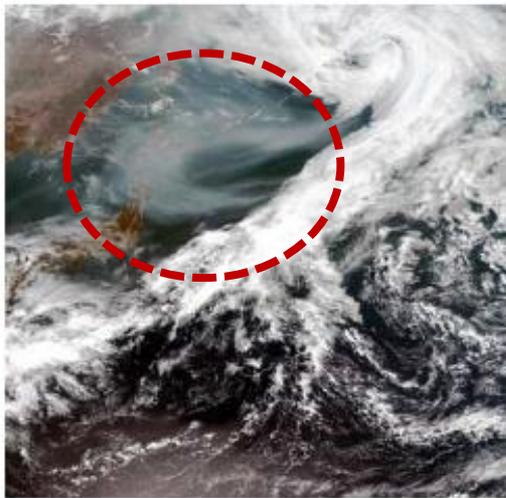


Retrieval Results (H8/AHI)

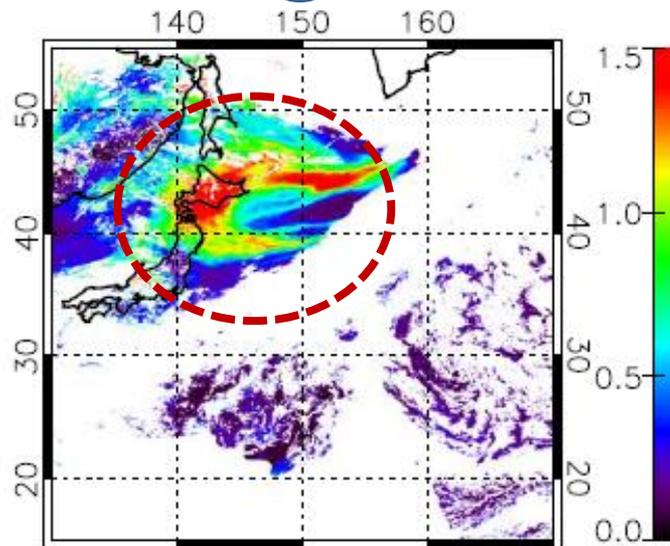
02UTC, 19 May 2016

Aerosol originated from wildfires at a proximity to Lake Baikal in Russia

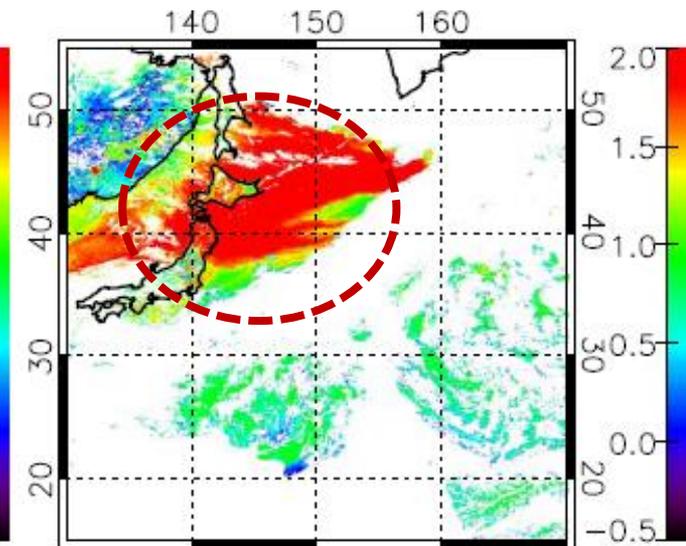
RGB



AOT@500nm



AE@400-600nm



- The high AOT and AE (fine particles) are estimated over land and ocean, corresponding to aerosol transport from the continent
- nearly continuous AOT over land and ocean

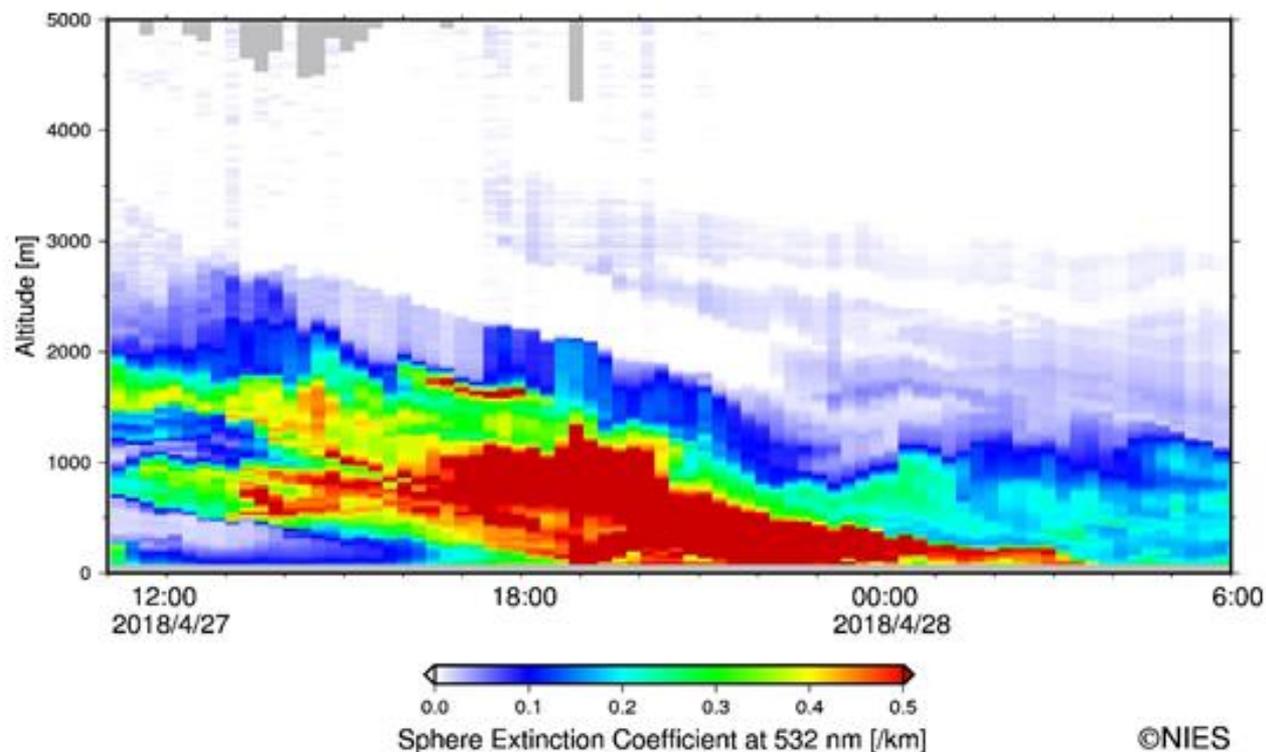


図4 2018年4月27日の濟州島におけるライダーの観測結果。横軸は時刻（日本時刻）、縦軸が高度（メートル）。赤い色ほど濃い大気浮遊物質が観測されている*4。