

retrieve O_4 and O_2 vertical columns
make sure AMF inputs/
calculations are accurate at multiple
wavelengths.

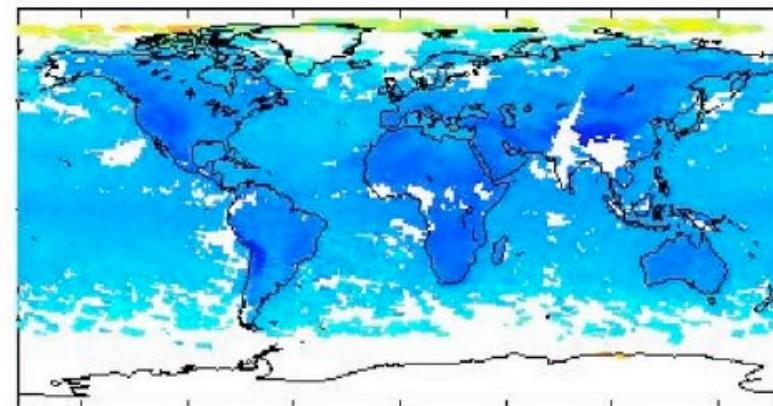
GLOBAL DISTRIBUTION OF ATMOSPHERIC PHOTON PATH LENGTHS DERIVED FROM GOME AND SCIAMACHY

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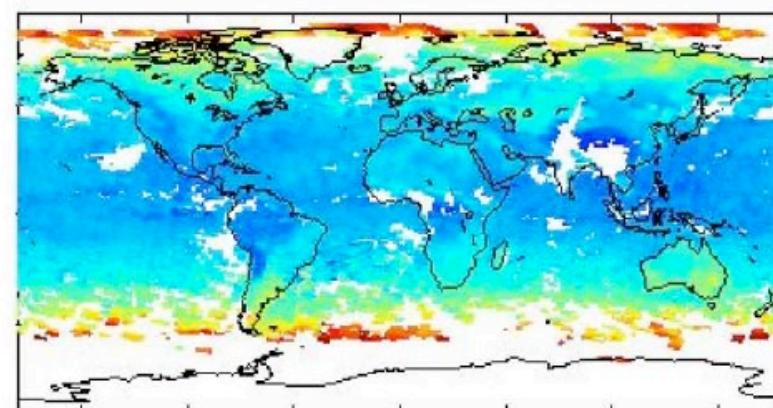
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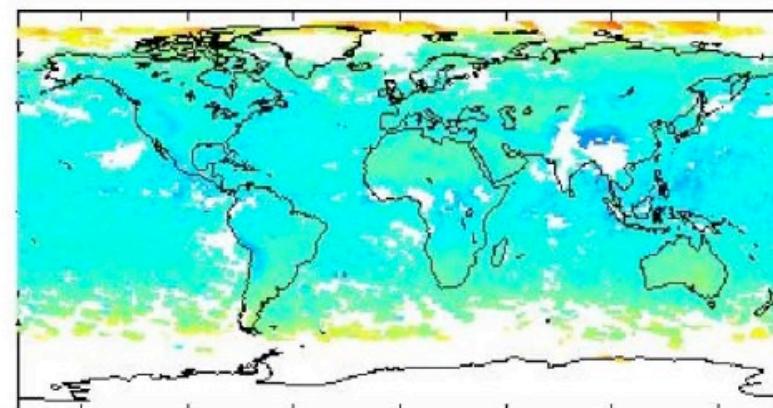
Clear sky (effective cloud fraction: 0-5%)



O_4
360 nm



O_4
630 nm



O_2
630 nm

H_2O vapor AMF requires knowledge of vertical profile (unlike O_4/O_2), and has a robust validation network in place

Validation and update of OMI Total Column Water Vapor product

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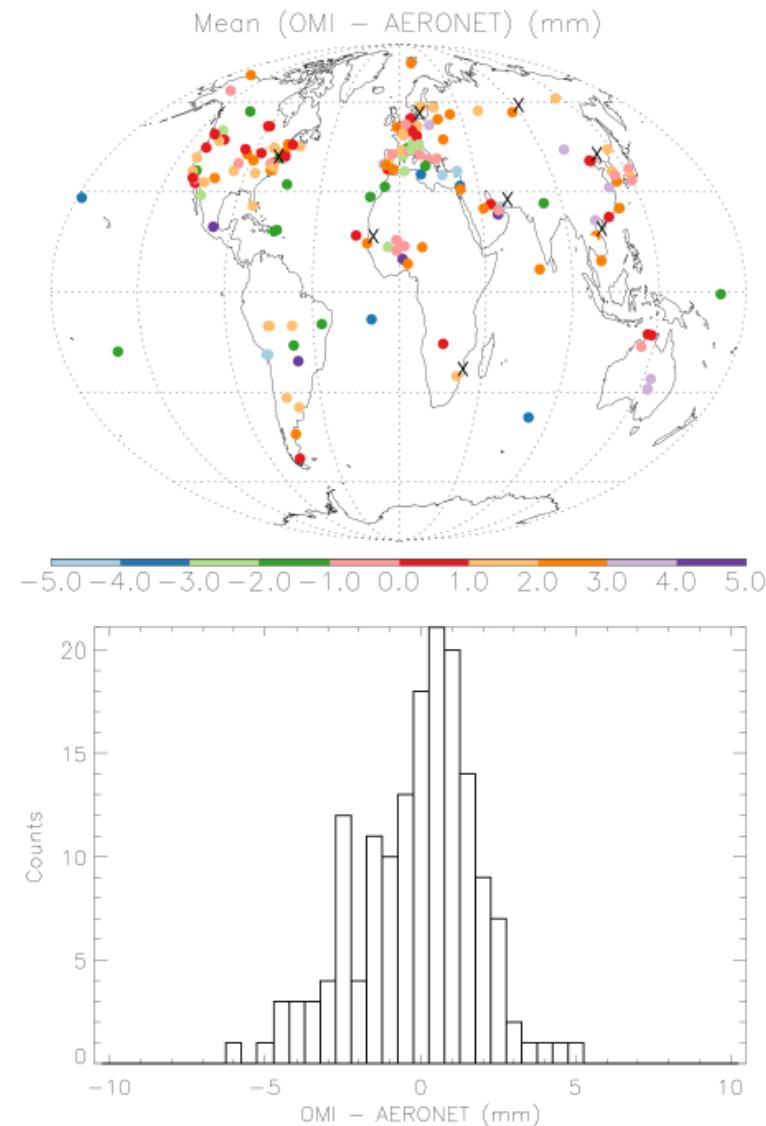
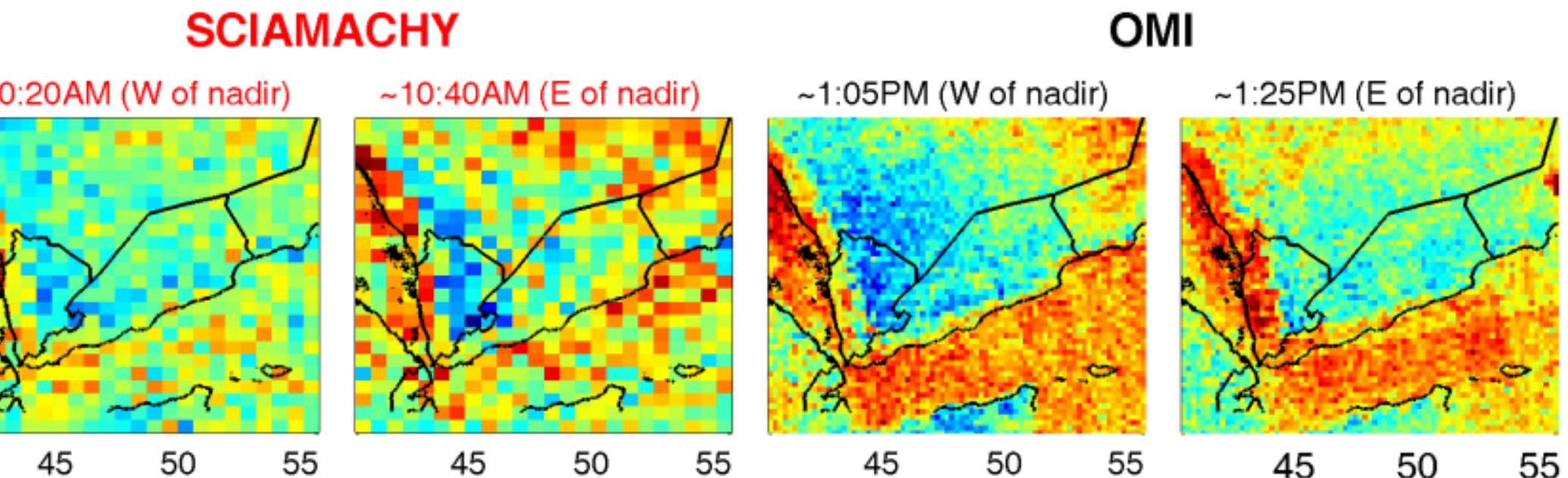


Figure 6. Top: spatial distribution of the time mean of version 3 OMI–AERONET from 2005 to 2009 at AERONET stations. Bottom: histogram (with 0.5 mm bins) for the values in the top panel.

Use detector/retrieval symmetries to test
for consistency: e.g., HCHO over Sarawat Mountains in Yemen,
backscatter vs forward scatter



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