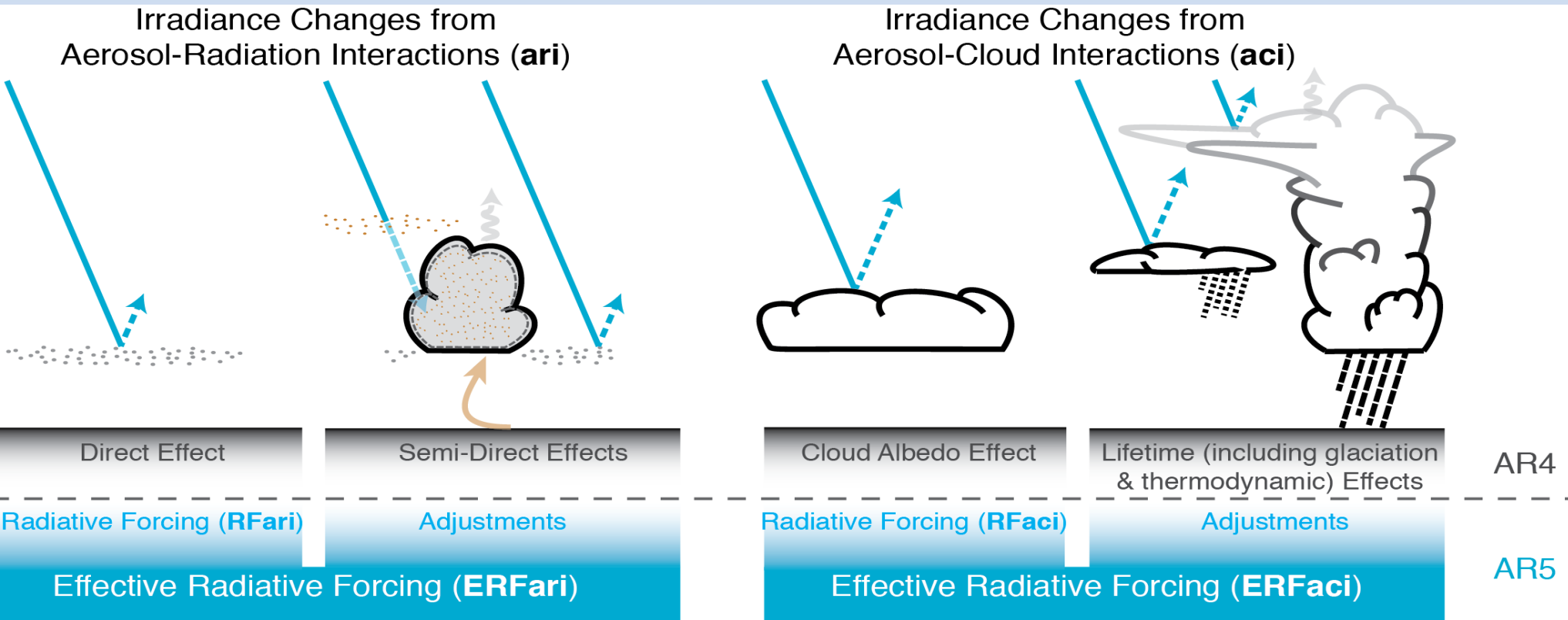


Aerosols in LMDZ model

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Categorization of aerosol effects



Aerosols

Online

Offline

Anthropogenic and natural emissions

Coefficient to reconstruct a natural only aerosol field online

INCA Chemistry Model
- Natural aerosol emissions
- photochemistry (NMHC/NO_x/O₃)
- wet and dry deposition ...

LMDz - AP
General Circulation Model

Climatologies of natural and anthropogenic aerosol concentrations

LMDz - AP or NP
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LMDz - NP with RRTM
General Circulation Model

Aerosols: running without INCA

- LMDZ without INCA:
runtime parameter in config.def
`aerosol_couple = n`
- LMDZ with INCA version with interactive aerosols, management of radiative transfer is different to LMDZ without INCA in AP but same in NP + RRTM (except for a few things)

Nature of aerosols

Runtime parameter in config.def

flag_aerosol (integer):

- 0: no tropospheric aerosol
- 1: sulfate
- 2: black carbon
- 3: particulate organic matter
- 4: marine salts
- 5: dust
- 6: all tropospheric aerosols

Aerosols: input files

- If **flag_aerosol** > 0:
gcm.e reads aerosol data from files
aerosols.nat.nc
[+ another file, depending on **aer_type**]

Aerosols: input files (continued)

- Runtime parameter **aer_type** (character variable) in config.def:
 - **preind**: pre-industrial aerosols → **aerosols.nat.nc** only
 - **actuel**: when you want to use a climatology of anthropogenic aerosols → **aerosols.nat.nc** + **aerosols1980.nc** (fixed name, meaningless)
 - **annuel**: **aerosols.nat.nc** + **aerosolsYYYY.nc** where YYYY is the current year

Aerosols: input files (continued)

- Input files should contain concentrations of aerosols of all the desired types (according to `flag_aerosol`)
- Input files should already be horizontally regrided to the LMDZ grid
- For LMDZ5 as used in AR5 runs, the input is for 19 layers and regrided online to the klev layers of the model but providing the input for klev layers is also acceptable

Aerosols: direct and indirect effects

- Runtime parameters `ok_ade` and `ok_aie` (logical) in `config.def` to activate direct and indirect effects of anthropogenic aerosols
- If `ok_ade = n` then direct effect of natural aerosols only (but no anthropogenic aerosols)
- If `ok_aie = n` then indirect effect of natural aerosols only (but no anthropogenic aerosols)

Aerosols: direct and indirect effects (continued)

- You can choose `ok_ade` and `ok_aie` independently
- `flag_aerosol` must be ≥ 1 if `ok_ade` or `ok_aie` is `y`
- If `ok_ade` or `ok_aie` is `y` then corresponding diagnostics are output (in particular instantaneous radiative forcing variables: `topswad`, `solswad`, `topswai` and `solswai`)
- Note that for online aerosols in LMDZ-NP `topswai` / `solswai` diagnostics are meaningless

Aerosols for expert users

- Runtime parameter `new_aod` (logical):
to use the most recent parameterization of
aerosol optical depth.
`y` is the default value.

Note: `new_aod = n` can only be used with
`flag_aerosol = 1` (sulfate aerosols only).
Obsolete.

Aerosols for expert users (continued)

Runtime parameters in config.def in case **ok_aie = y**

bl95_b0 = 1.7

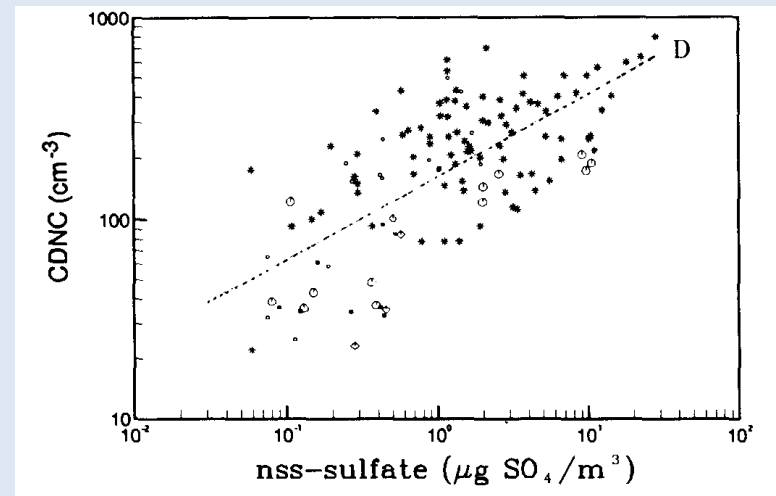
bl95_b1 = 0.2

(recommended values)

$$\text{CDNC} = 10^{b0 + b1 \log(m \text{ SO}_4)}$$

Link cloud droplet number concentration to aerosol mass concentration (Boucher and Lohmann, Tellus, 1995)

Now uses mass of all soluble species



Aerosols for expert users (continued)

- If you want to compute at each time step the direct or indirect effect that aerosols would have, but not let those effects impact the simulation (eg to get the same meteorology with different RF estimates)
 - Set the variable `aerosolfeedback_active` to `.false.` in routine `sw_aeroAR4.F90`
 - Recompile the program
 - Choose `flag_aerosol > 0` and `ok_ade = y` or `ok_aie = y` at runtime

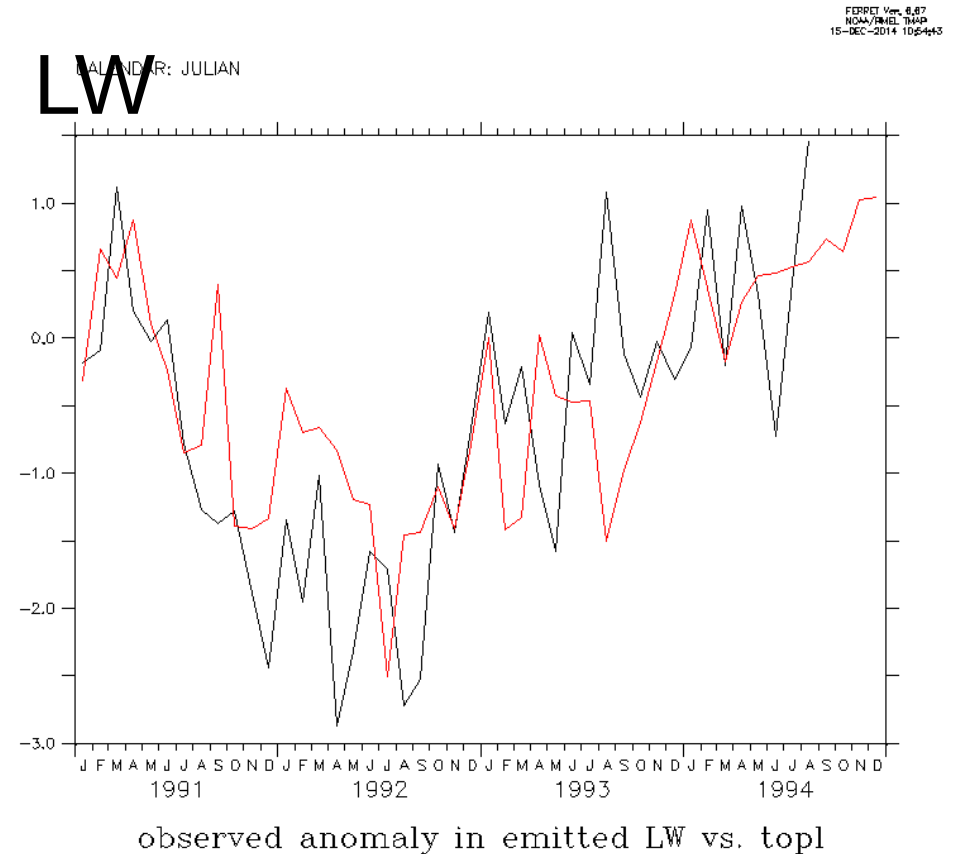
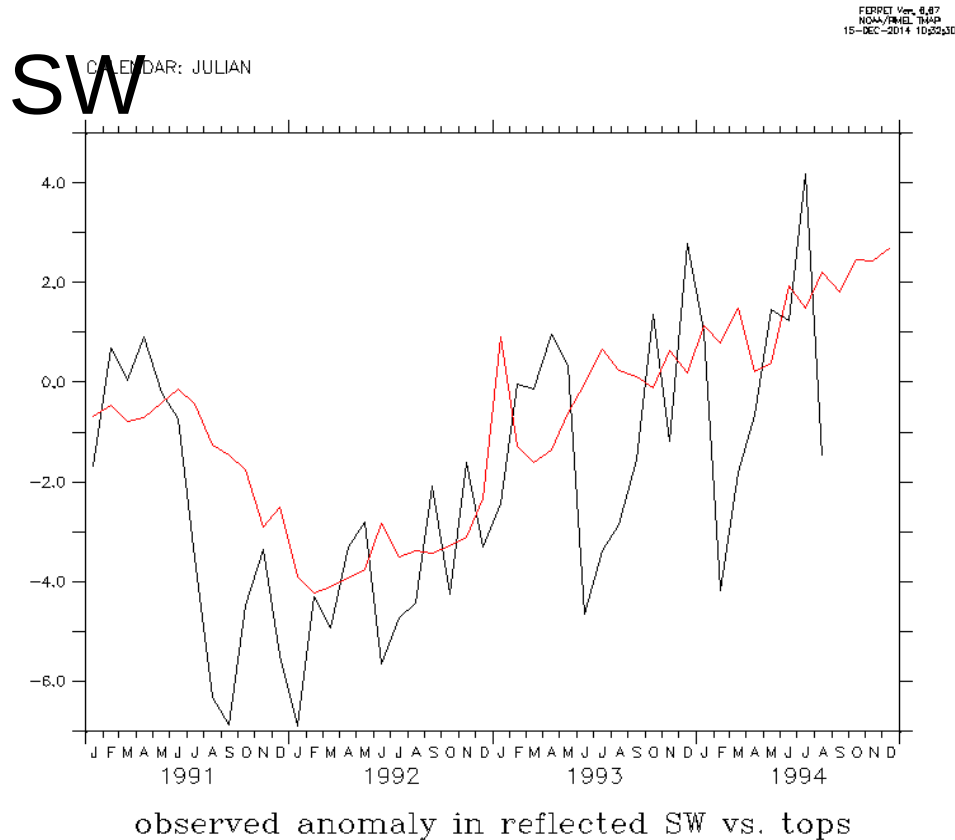


Stratospheric aerosols

- `flag_aerosol_strat = y`
- gcm.e reads 3D aerosol input data from files with monthly timestep
- Input data are available over period 1750 to 2010
- A routine exists to prepare input files to various model resolutions
- Direct effect in SW (old radiation + RRTM) and in the LW (RRTM only, dependent on aerosol size)

Stratospheric aerosols: Pinatubo

Observations Model

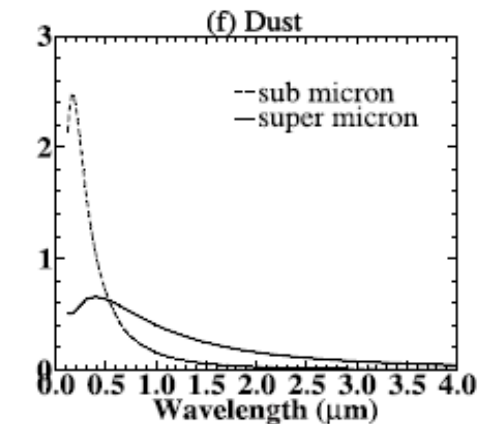
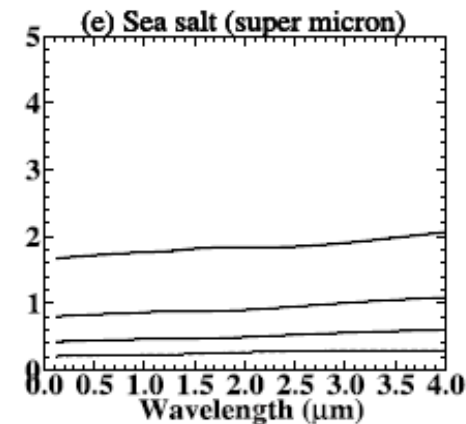
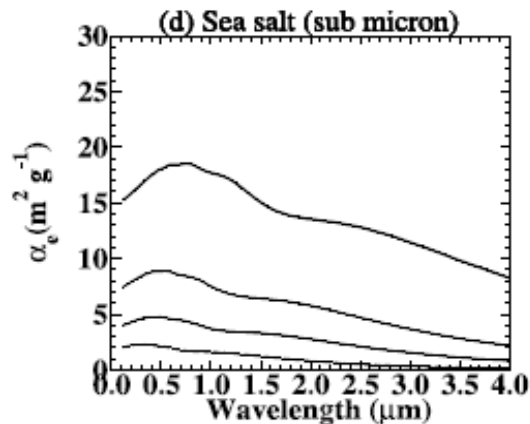
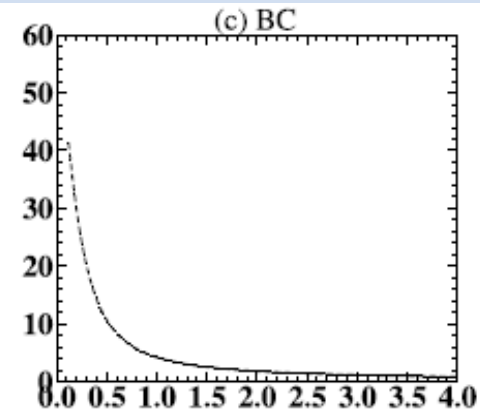
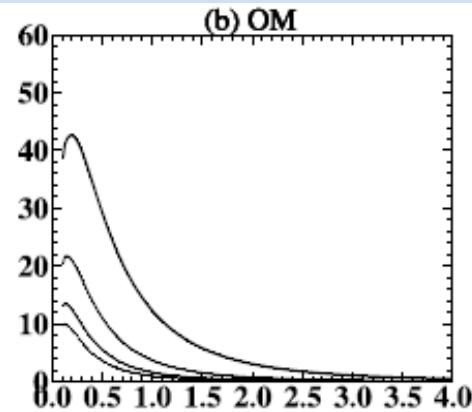
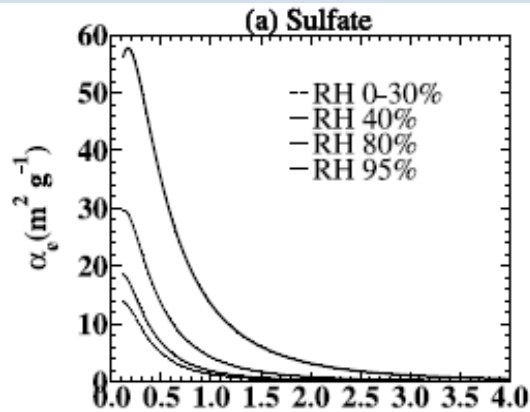




RRTM

- Tropospheric and stratospheric aerosols are available in RRTM, but only for the 6 SW wavebands case (NSW=6)
- Revised optical properties, need to be checked
- Reunified routine for offline (LMDZ) and online (INCA) aerosols

Aerosol optical properties



Example
only
 $f(\text{RH}, \lambda)$



INCA aerosol in LMDZ-NP

- Reunified aerosol optical properties routine for offline (LMDZ) and online (INCA) aerosols
- Takes into account mixing by BL, thermals and convection (with or without simultaneous scavenging)
- Requires interactive natural sources of aerosols