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# **SNOW GRAIN SIZE MAPPING**

<b>Dozier and Marks, 1987</b>	<b>Landsat Thematic Mapper</b>
<b>Nolin, 1995</b>	<b>AVIRIS, 1.03mkm</b>
<b>Zege et all, 1997</b>	<b>ADEOS/GLI</b>
<b>Aoki, Stammes et al, 2003,2007</b>	<b>ADEOS/GLI, MODIS</b>
<b>Zege at all, 2007,2010 (SGSP)</b>	<b>MODIS</b>
<b>Kokhanovsky, Tedesco , 2008</b>	<b>MODIS</b>
<b>Lapustin, NASA, 2009</b>	<b>MODIS</b>
<b>Kokhanovsky, ESA, 2010</b>	<b>MERIS</b>

# Algorithm to Retrieve Snow Grain Size and Pollutions (SGSP)

Zege E.P., et all “Algorithm of the effective snow grain size and pollution amount retrieval from satellite measurements”, J. Remote Sensing, in print

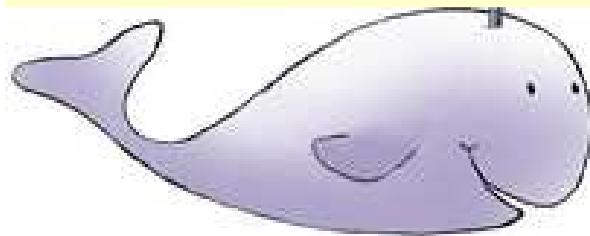
Zege E.P., Katsev I.L., Malinka A.V., Prikhach A.S. New algorithm to retrieve the effective snow grain size and pollution amount from satellite data // Annals of Glaciology), 2008

Zege E., A. Kokhanovsky, I.Katsev, I.Polonsky, and A. Prikhach. 1998., *M. I. Hovenier, eds.\_American Meteorological Society, Boston, Mass.*, 288–290.

# The base of our theory

SGSP

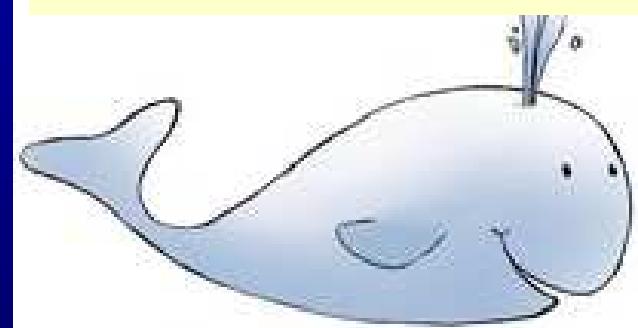
Snow Optics (Zege, Kokhanovski,  
Appl. Optics, 2000)



Zege et al "Image transfer...".  
Springer, 1992



Fast RT code *RAY*



# Basic formulas of SGSP

*Asymptotic Solution /Zegel, Katsev, Ivanov, Springer, 1993/*

$$R_i(\theta, \theta_0, \varphi) = R_0(\theta, \theta_0, \varphi) \exp \left[ -y_i \frac{g(\theta)g(\theta_0)}{R_0(\theta, \theta_0, \varphi)} \right]$$

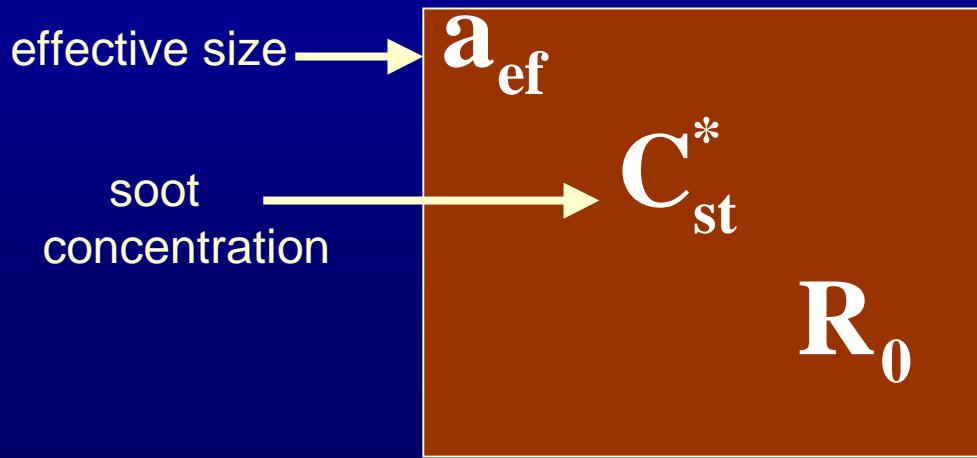
*Do not depend on the absorption and grain size*

$$y_i = A \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{\lambda_i}} (\chi_i + \kappa C_{st}^*) \sqrt{a_{ef}}$$

Unknown values

$R_i$  reflection (BRDF) of snow layer at the wavelength  $\lambda_i$

$A = 5.8$  varies within 10% dependently on grain shape



# Basic formula of SGSP

Thus:

$$R_i = f(R_0, a_{ef}, C_{st}^*; \lambda_i)$$

# THE IMAGINARY PART OF THE SNOW REFRACTIVE INDEX IN THE SPECTRAL MODIS CHANNELS USED

MODIS channel	$\lambda, [\mu\text{m}]$	$\Delta\lambda, [\text{nm}]$	$\chi$
3	0.469	20	$1.88 \cdot 10^{-10}$
2	0.8585	35	$2.10 \cdot 10^{-7}$
5	1.240	20	$1.22 \cdot 10^{-5}$

# Atmospheric correction

X={R<sub>0</sub>, C<sub>s</sub>, a<sub>eff</sub>} is the solution of the equation:

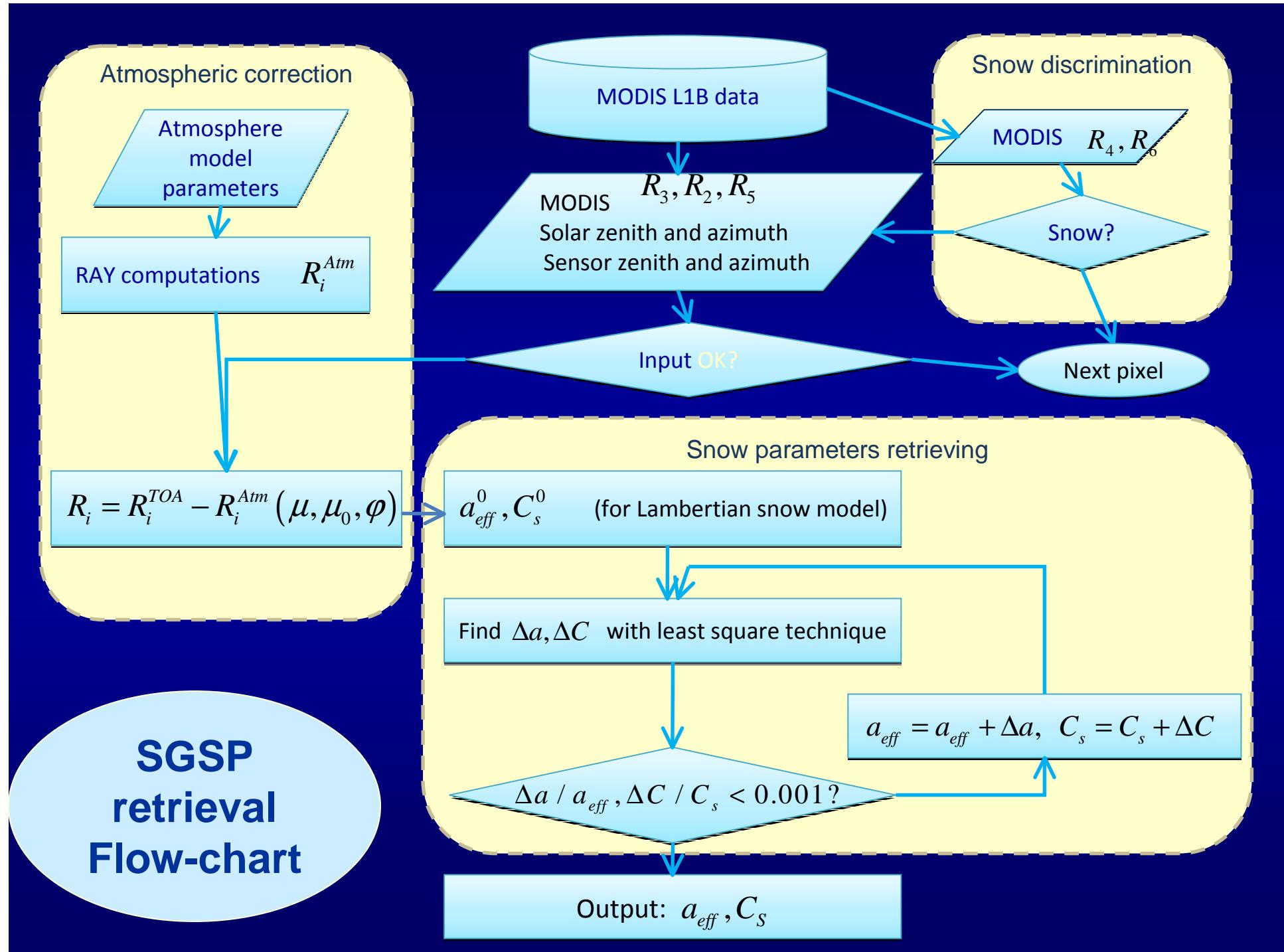
$$R_i^{TOA} = R_i^{Atm} + t_i^0(\mu)t_i^0(\mu_0) \left( R_0 e^{-y_i \frac{g(\mu)g(\mu_0)}{R_0}} - e^{-y_i} \right) + \frac{T_i(\mu)T_i(\mu_0)e^{-y_i}}{1 - r^{Atm} e^{-y_i}}$$

with  $y_i = 5.8 \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{\lambda_i} (\chi_i + 0.2C_s)} a_{eff}$

The zero iteration of X – solution of the equation with the assumption that snow layer reflection is isotropic (Lambertian):

$$R_i^{TOA} = R_i^{Atm} + \frac{T_i(\mu)T_i(\mu_0)e^{-y_i}}{1 - r^{Atm} e^{-y_i}}$$

Iterations of X:  $\Delta X = \left( \frac{\partial R_i^{TOA}}{\partial X_j} \right)^{-1} \Delta R_i^{TOA}$  until  $\Delta X < 10^{-3}$  (usually, 5-6 iterations)



# Verification of the SGSP with computer simulation

- Computation of the radiances in MODIS channels from snow or snow-atmosphere system with RAY code;
- Addition of random noise
- Inversion with SGSP algorithm

# Snow reflectance simulator

Simulates the response of atmosphere-snow system at satellite receiver channels with RT fast and accurate RAY-code,

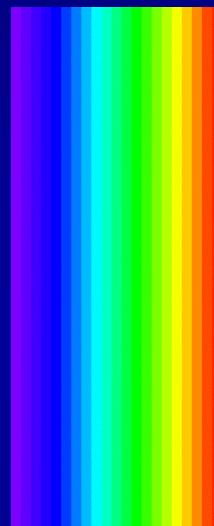
includes data banks on

- *optical parameters of atmospheric aerosols,*
- *profiles of atmospheric pressure and temperature,*
- *profiles of ozone and water vapor in atmosphere*
- *optical models of snow (different shapes of particles)*
- *allows to user to build detail optical model of Arctic atmosphere, create optical model of stratified snow with layers of different microphysical and optical properties*

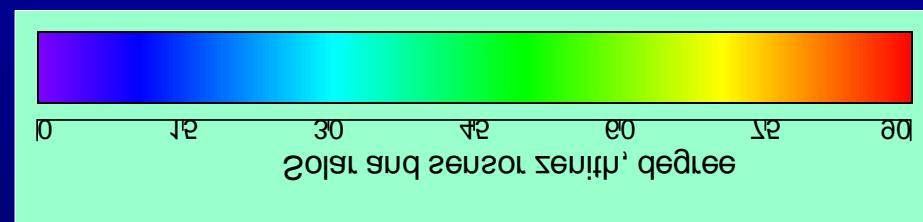
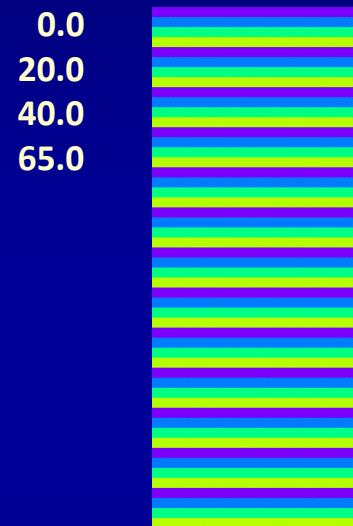


0.0, 2.5, 5.0, 7.5, 10.0, 15.0, 20.0, 25.0, 30.0, 35.0, 40.0, 45.0, 50.0, 55.0, 60.0, 65.0, 70.0, 75.0, 80.0,  
85.0, 87.5

Solar zenith - 21 values



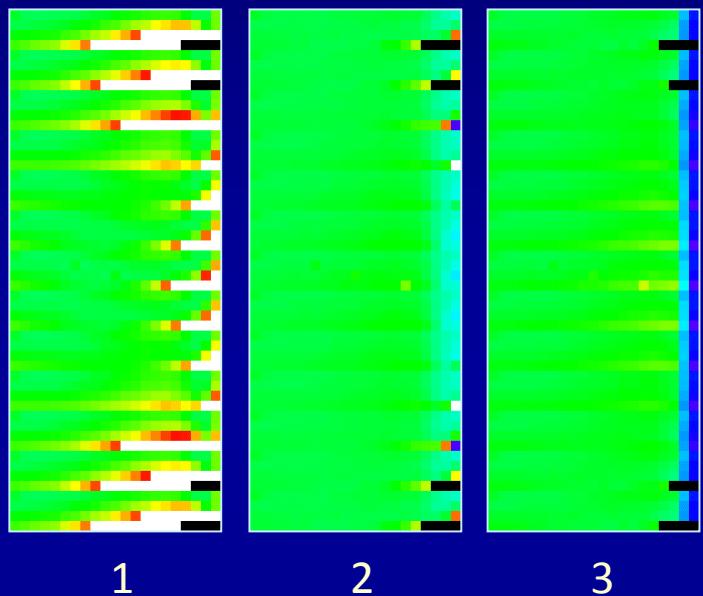
Sensor zenith – 4 values



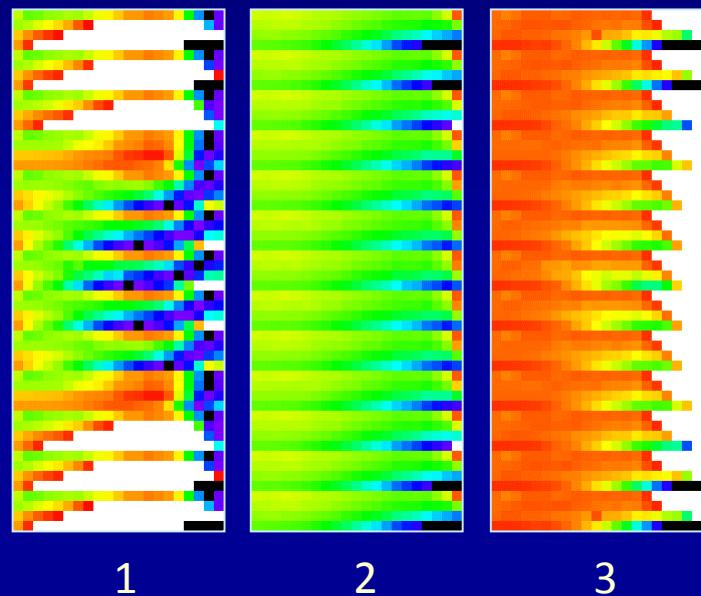
Azimuth angles – 13 value: -180.0, -150.0, -120.0, -90.0, -60.0, -30.0, 0.0, 30.0, 60.0, 90.0, 120.0, 150.0, 180.0

# mix\_100\_s-6\_aHaze

Aef



Csoot



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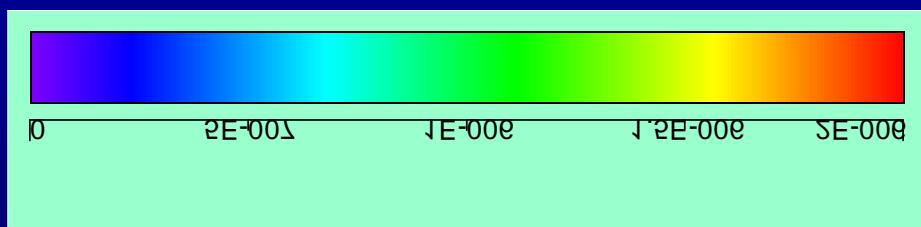
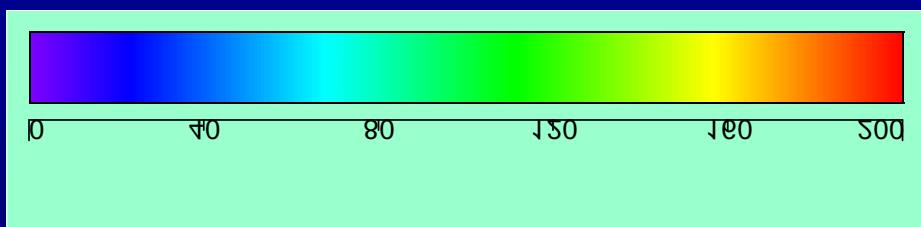
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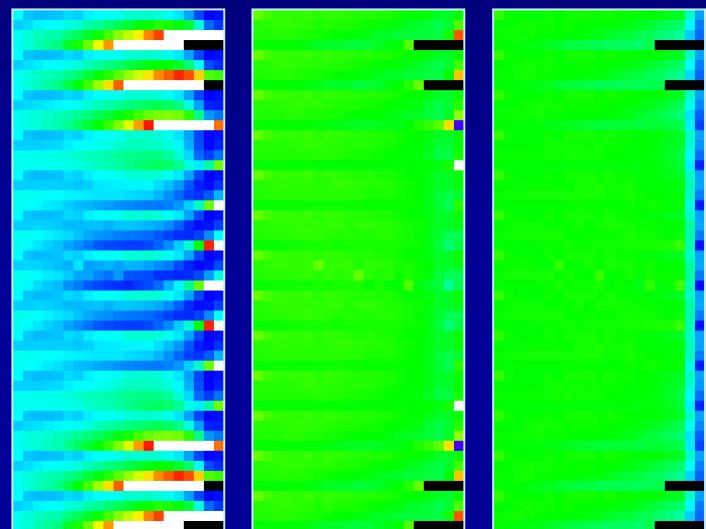
1 – without correction

2 – correction with “real” atmosphere model

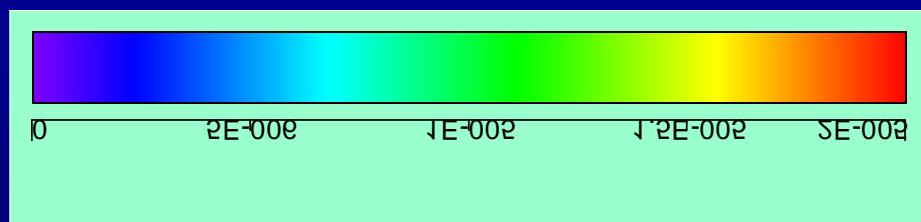
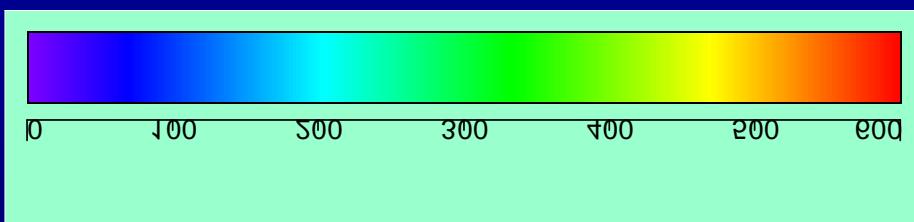
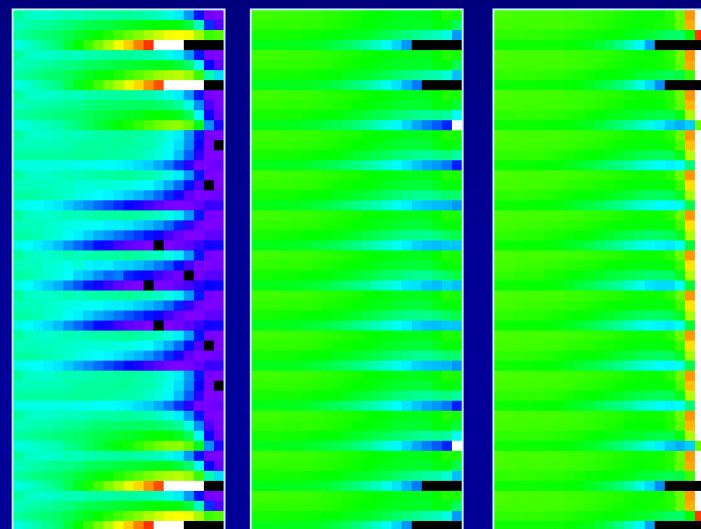
3 – correction with no aerosol model

# mix\_300\_s-5\_aHaze

Aef

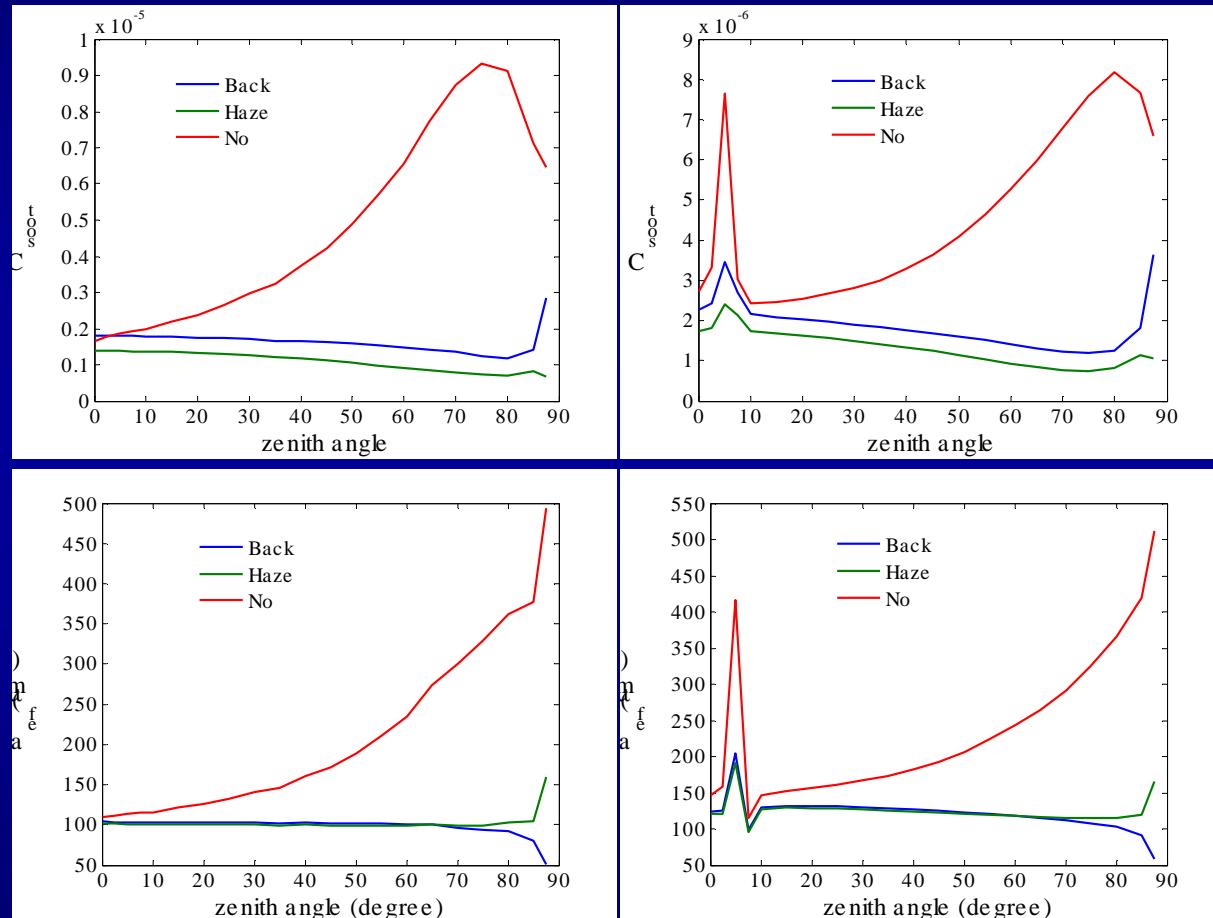


Csoot



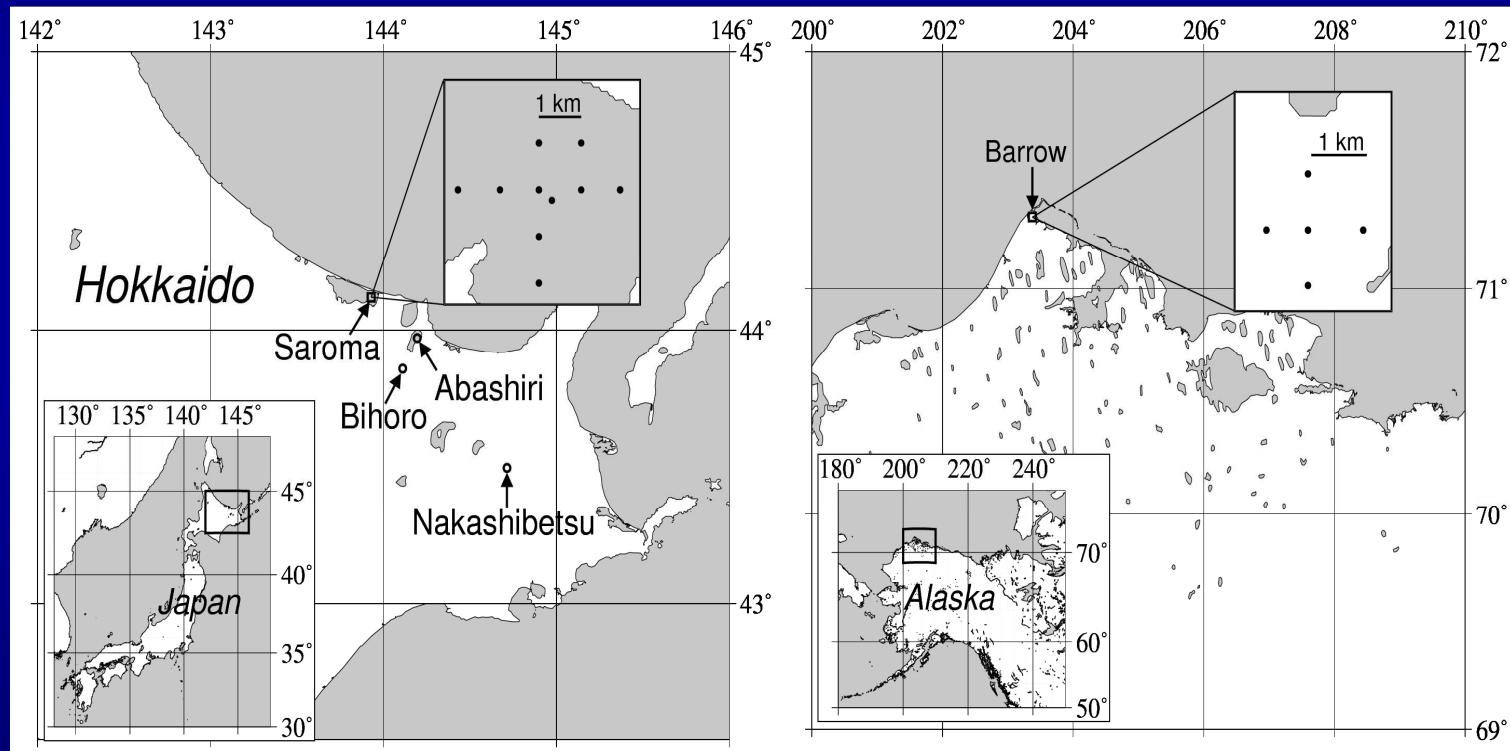
- 1 – without correction
- 2 – correction with “real” atmosphere model
- 3 – correction with no aerosol model

# Soot concentration (upper) and the grain size retrieval (lower)



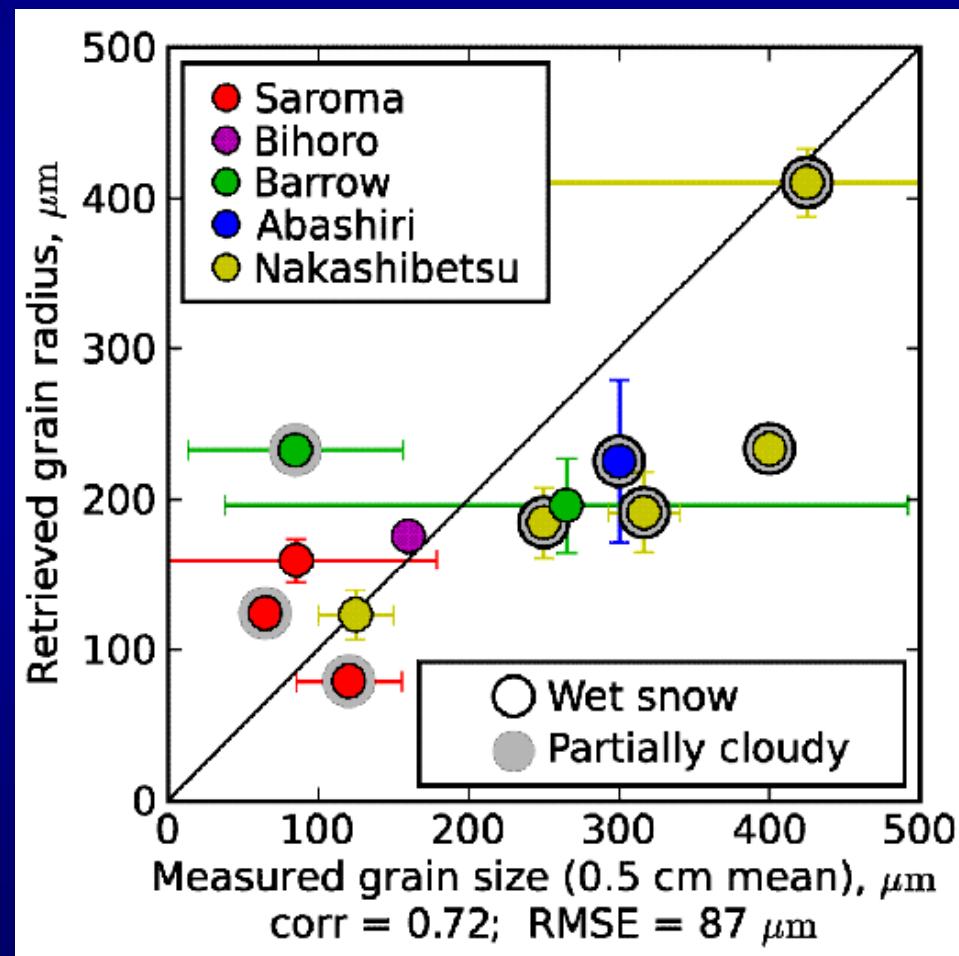
exact atmospheric model (green),  
Arctic Background aerosol model (blue),  
no atmospheric correction (red)

# Map of the in-situ measurement sites by Aoki et al.



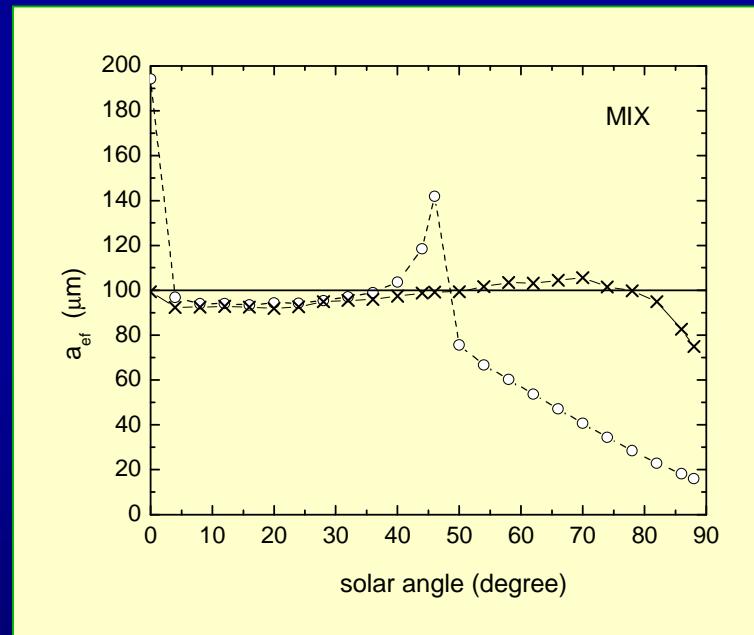
# Сравнение с данными наземных измерений

(Aoki et al, 2001–2005 )

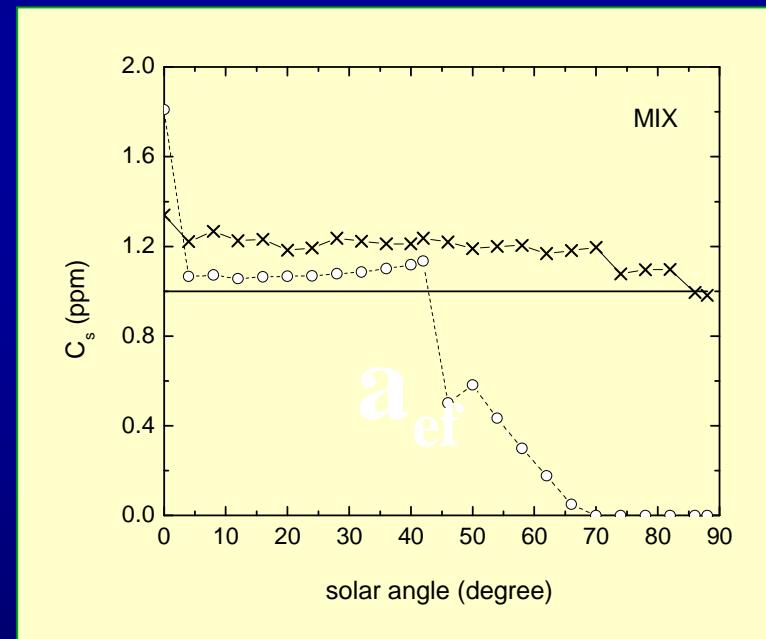


# Retrieval of effective snow grain size and soot concentration (SGSP vs LUT)

$a_{\text{ef}}, nm$



$C (ppm)$



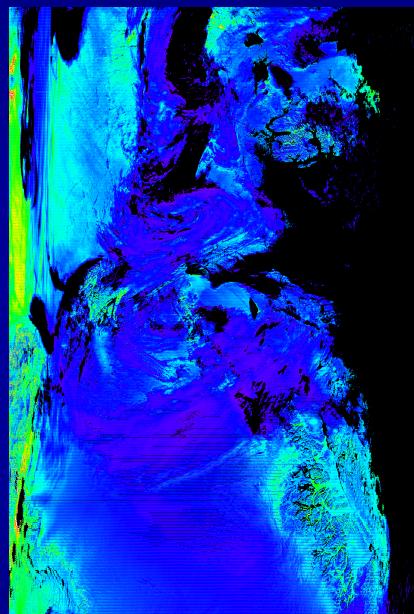
X – SGSP, o - LUT ( Mie + RT calculation)

# SGSP code is available now as Win32 and LINUX console applications

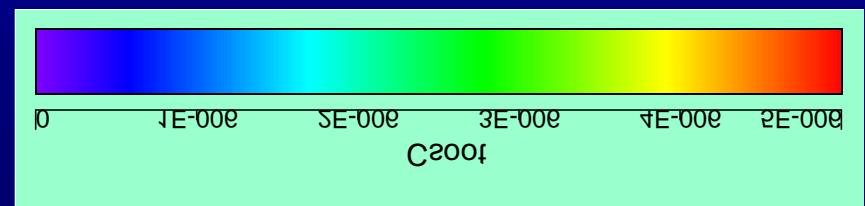
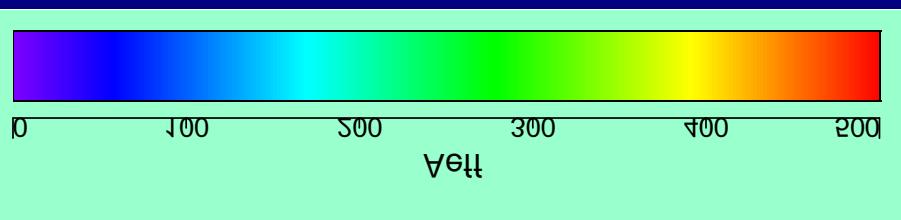
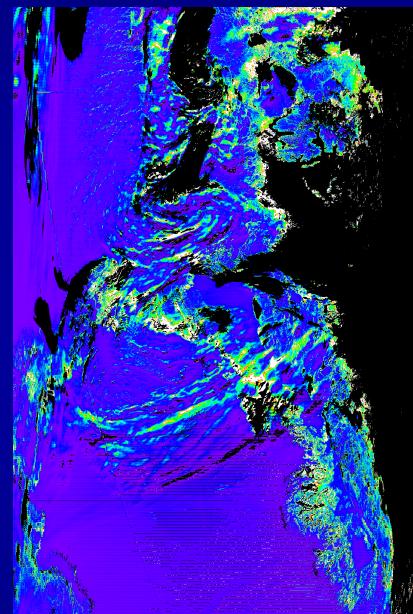
- The developed algorithm was implemented in a near-real time MODIS processing chain at the University of Bremen (see <http://www.iup.uni-bremen.de:8084/amsr/modis.html>)
- It works operationally and provides the retrieval of the snow characteristics on the regular base that are available in the online archive <http://www.iup.uni-bremen.de:8084/amsredatamodis/>.

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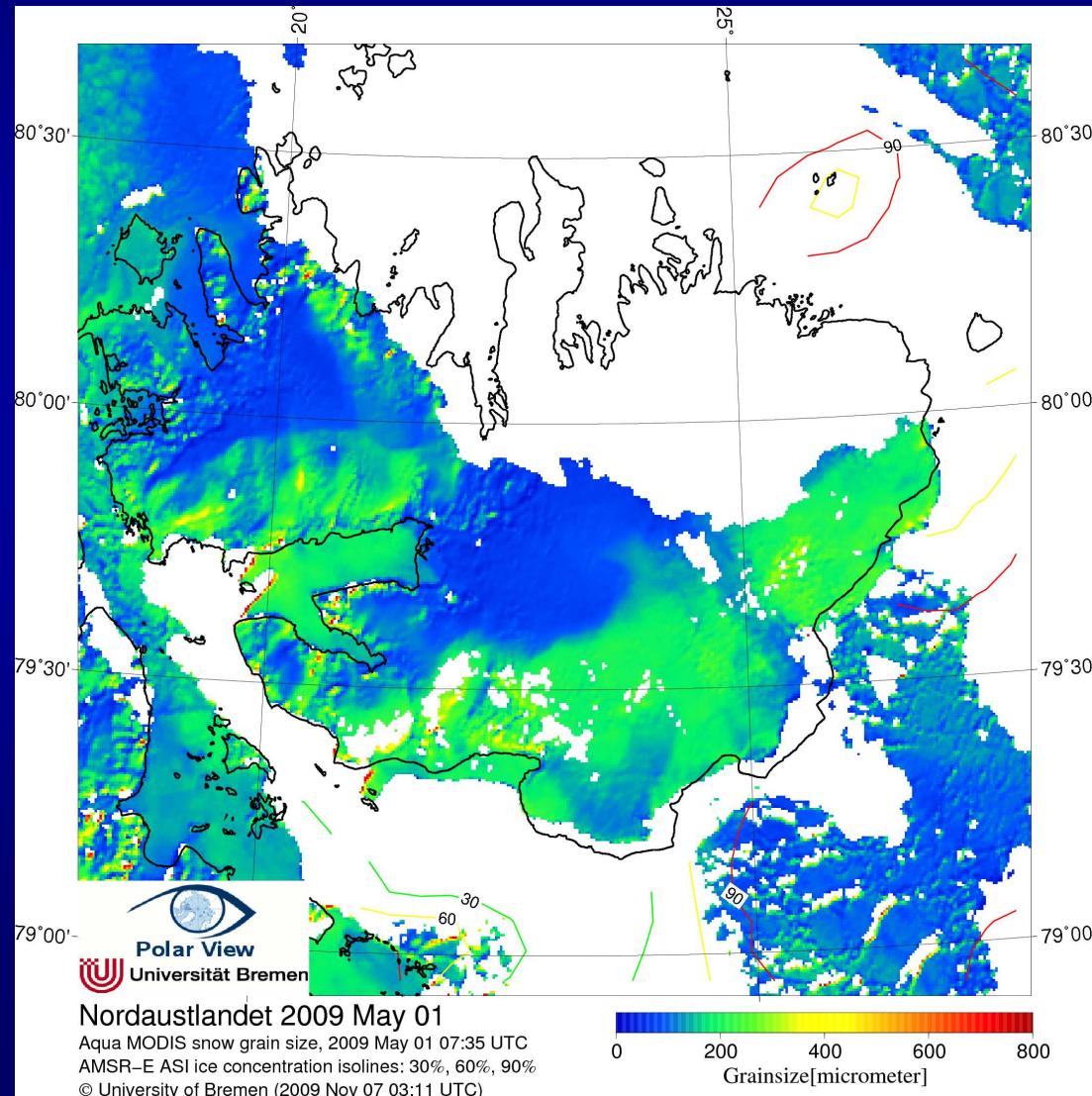
$a_{ef}$



*C (soot concentration)*



# One more example of retrieval



# CONCLUSION

*We presented here a new sufficiently mature SGSP retrieval algorithm.*

*It is currently used for the near-real time MODIS data processing (website of Bremen university).*

*The main advantages of the proposed algorithm over currently used ones are :*

*- the rejection of any a priory snow model used rather than the use of any model of snow particles;*

*-the reasonable accuracy of the retrieval for very low Sun that is typical for Polar regions;*

*-the high-speed data processing.*

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