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Quantification of uncertainties in OCO-2 measurements of XCO_2 : simulations and linear error analysis

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The following figures show the sensitivity of retrieved XCO2 to interference error caused by aerosol. Five composite aerosol types are shown, dust (DU), sea salt (SS), black carbon (BC), organic carbon (OC), and sulfate (SO). Each aerosol is considered separately in 2 layers, at $\sigma = 0.95$ and $\sigma = 0.5$. See section 3.3.1 of the paper for details of the aerosol definitions and calculations.

In the figure labels, interference in the lower layer is referred to as 'Interference_1' while the upper layer is 'Interference_2'. All figures show the response of XCO2 to an error, or variability, of AOD = 0.1 in the relevant layer and aerosol type. All figures are plotted on the same scale and with the same color sequence, to aide comparability.

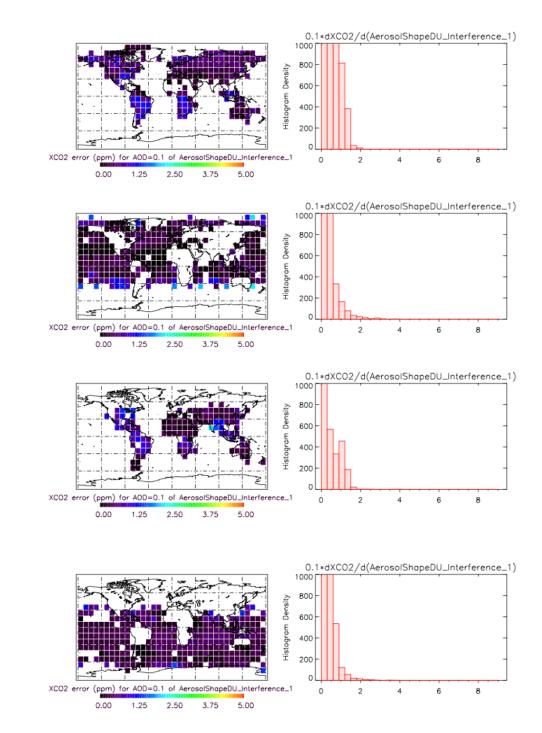
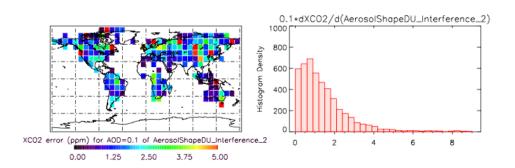
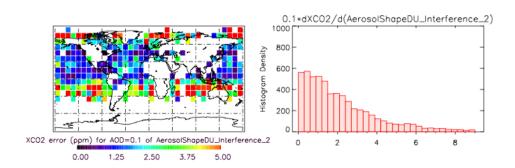
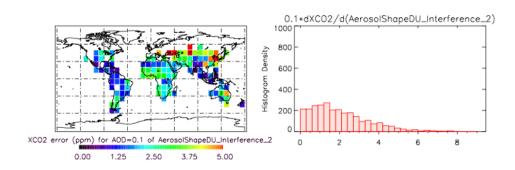


Figure Ul. Dust (DU) in the layer surface - 750 hPa







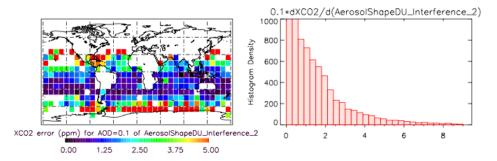
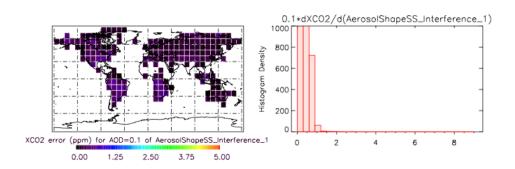
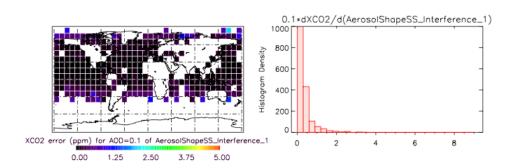
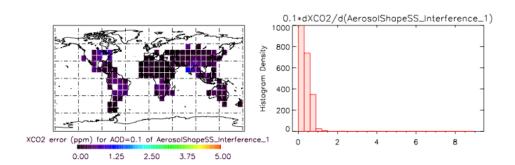


Figure U2. Dust (DU) in the layer 750 hPa – top of atmosphere







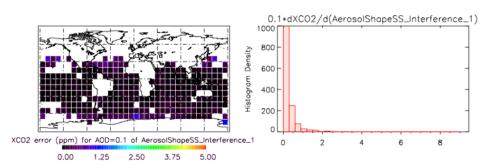
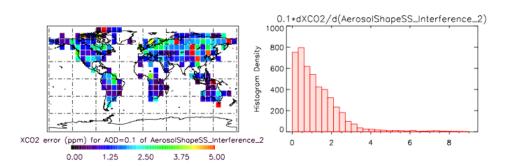
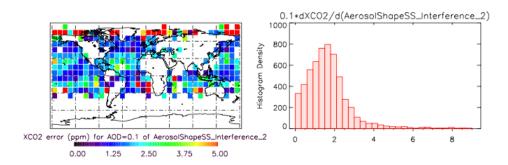
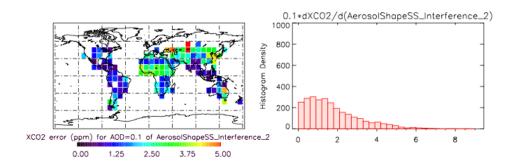


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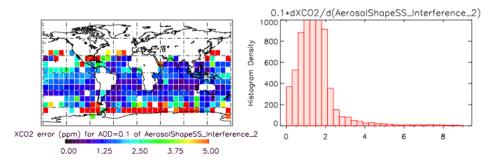
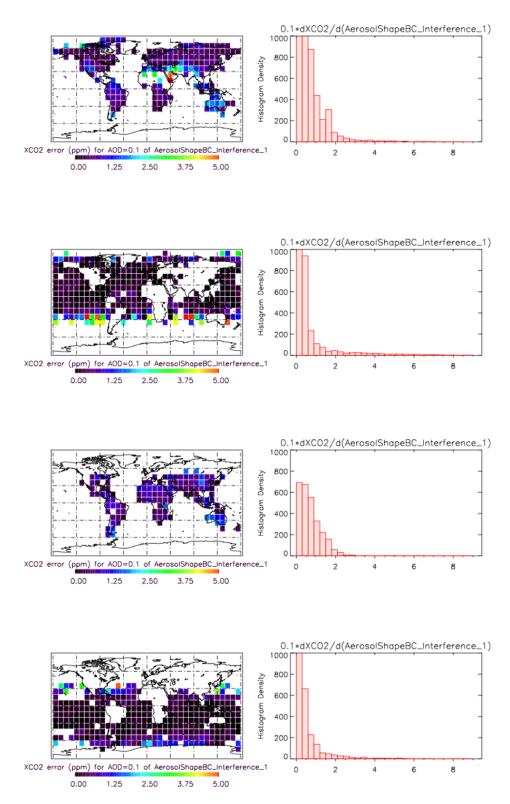
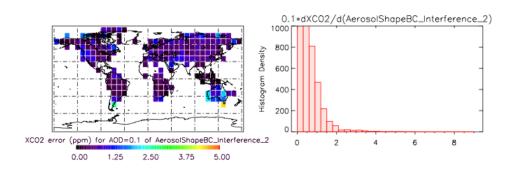
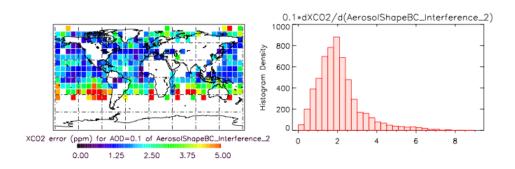


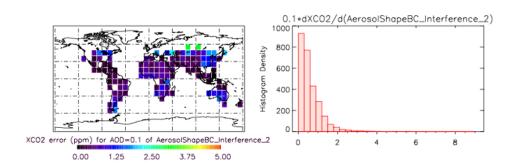
Figure 4. Sea salt (SS) in the layer 750 hPa – top of atmosphere



65 Figure S5. Black carbon (BC) in the layer surface - 750 hPa







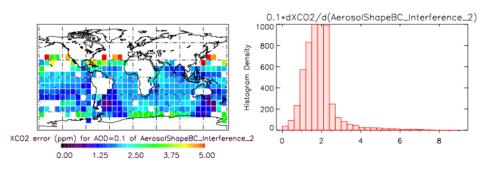
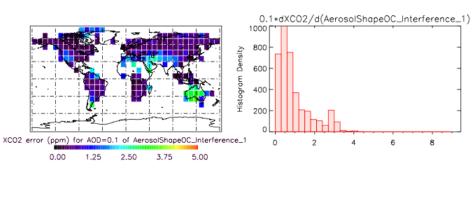
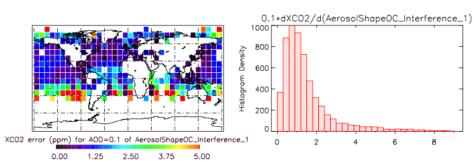
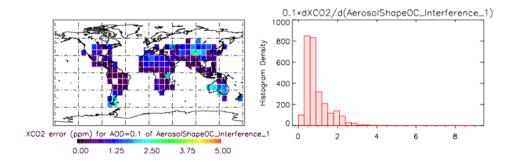


Figure S6. Black carbon (BC) in the layer 750 hPa – top of atmosphere







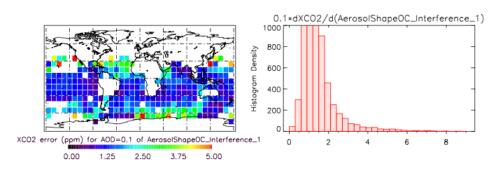
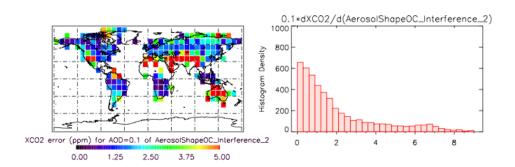
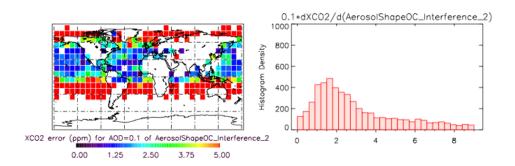
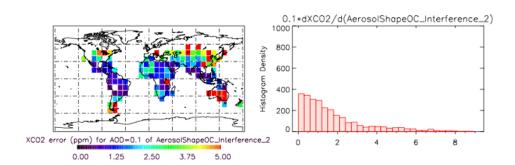


Figure S7. Organic carbon (OC) in the layer surface - 750 hPa







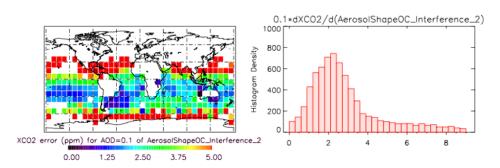
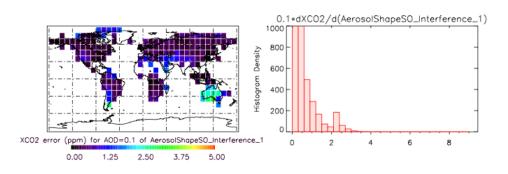
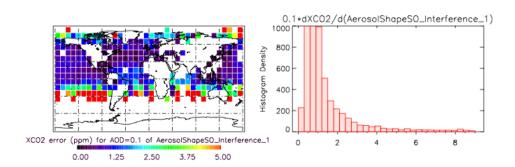
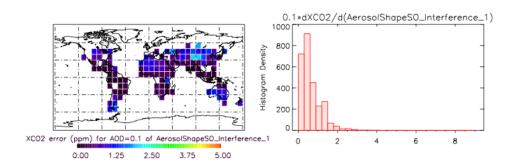


Figure S8. Organic carbon (OC) in the layer 750 hPa – top of atmosphere









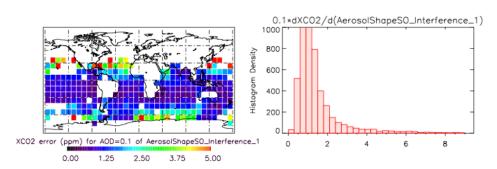


Figure S9. Sulfate (SO) in the layer surface - 750 hPa

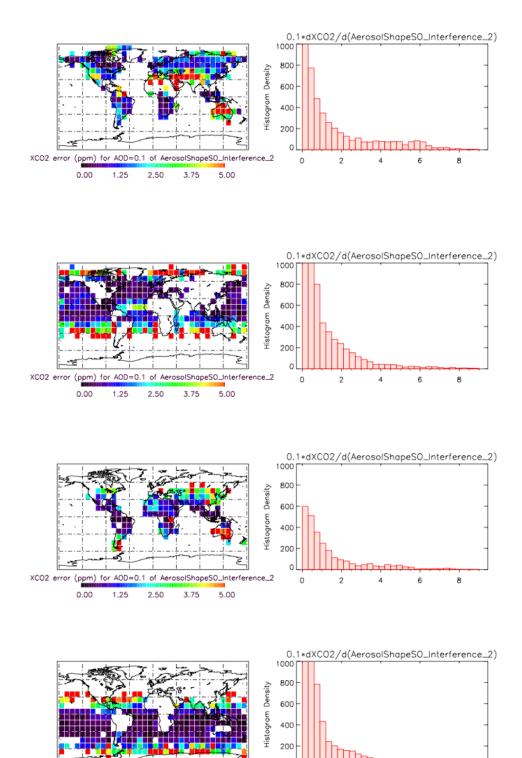


Figure S10. Sulfate (SO) in the layer 750 hPa – top of atmosphere

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