



# WET DEPOSITION OF FINE PARTICULATE MATTER IN WRF-CHEM

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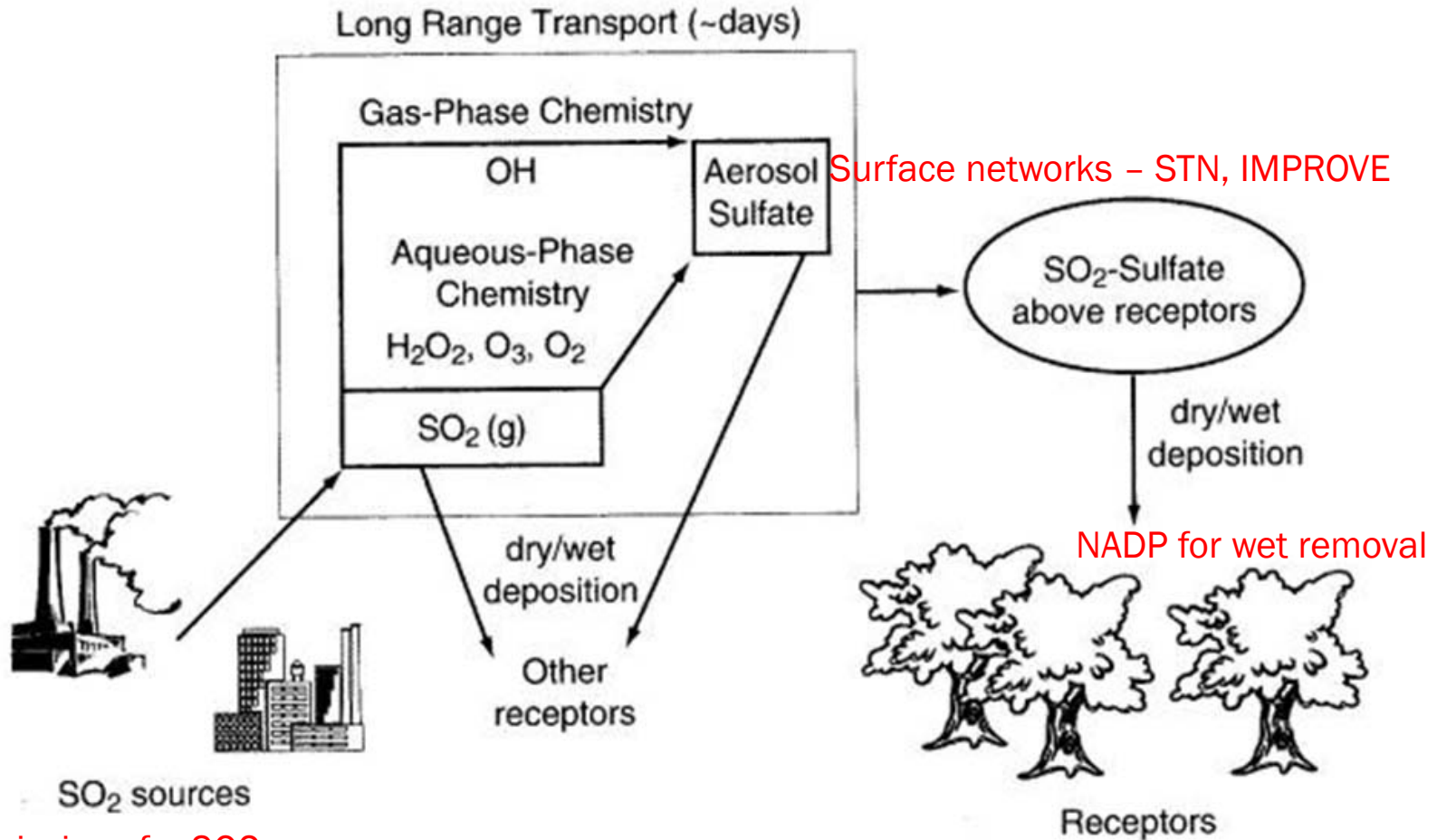
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# OUTLINE

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- ❑ Sulfate and removal processes
- ❑ Parameterization of wet removal processes in WRF-CHEM
- ❑ Evaluation of rain, concentration and the removal rates for sulfate particles using WRF-CHEM3.1.1 with aqueous chemistry
- ❑ Preliminary results using WRF-CHEM3.3 with Grell convective rainfall/wet removal
- ❑ Concluding remarks

# SULFUR SOURCE-SINK RELATIONSHIP



CEMS emissions for SO<sub>2</sub>

Seinfeld and Pandis, 2006

# AVAILABLE WET DEPOSITION TOOLS IN WRF-CHEM3.3

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1) Simple wet removal scheme (G.Grell):

*computationally very efficient, limited evaluation, scavenging parameters need tuning, only for the resolved clouds!*

2) Full aqueous chemistry scheme (PNNL, ref. Fahey and Pandis, 2001)

*computationally very expensive, only for the resolved clouds!*

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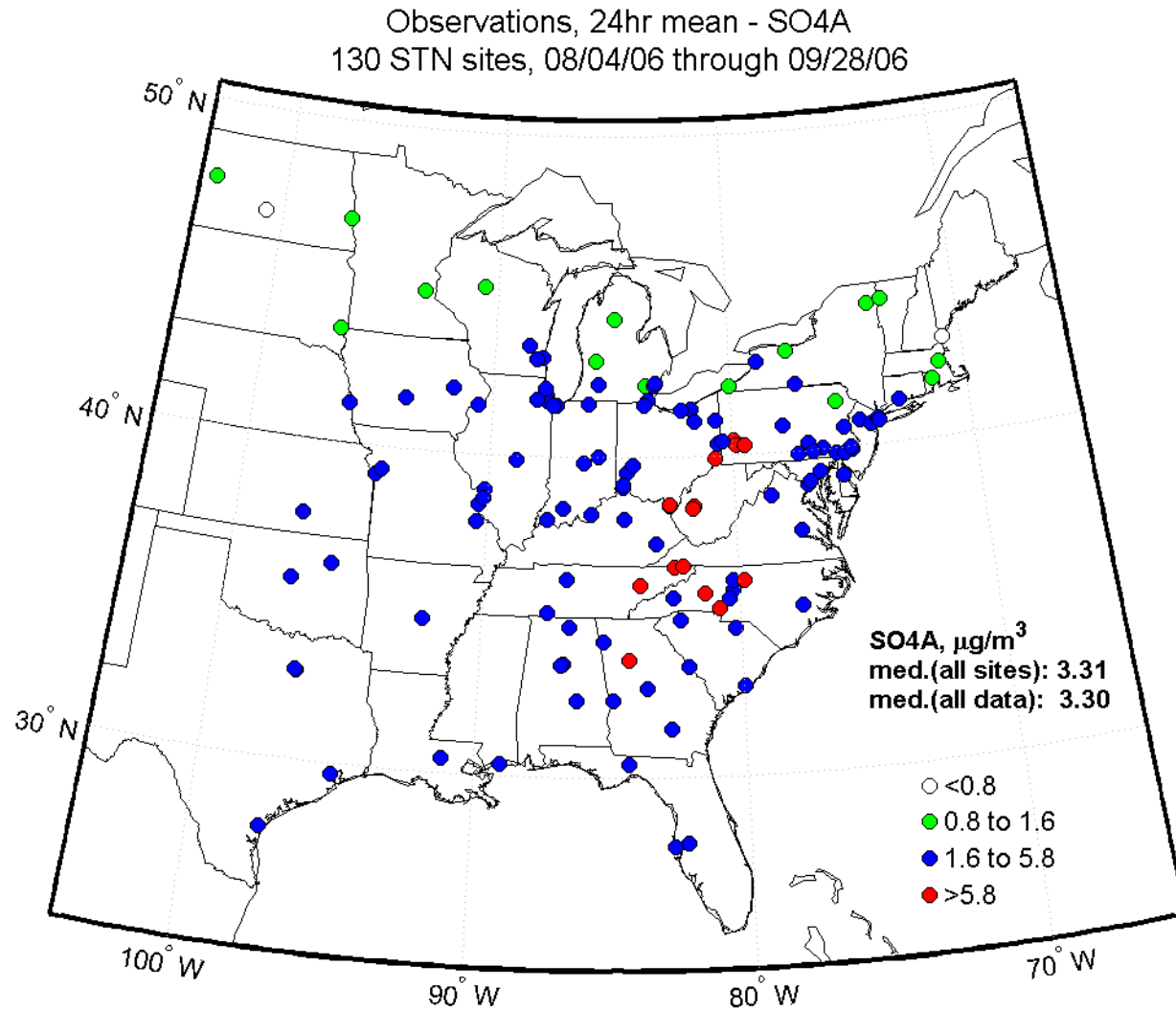
3) Wet removal within convective mixing (G.Grell)

*computationally efficient, scavenging parameters need tuning, only for sub-grid clouds!*

4) Aqueous chemistry parameterization from CMAQ (ref. Walcek & Taylor, 1986), implemented by J.Kazil (NOAA/CSD)

*faster than the full aq.chem (2), only for the sub-grid clouds, not in the official version!*

# DAILY SULFATE CONCENTRATIONS – STN OBSERVATIONS



# DAILY SULFATE CONCENTRATIONS – MODEL/OBS.

## WRF-CHEM settings:

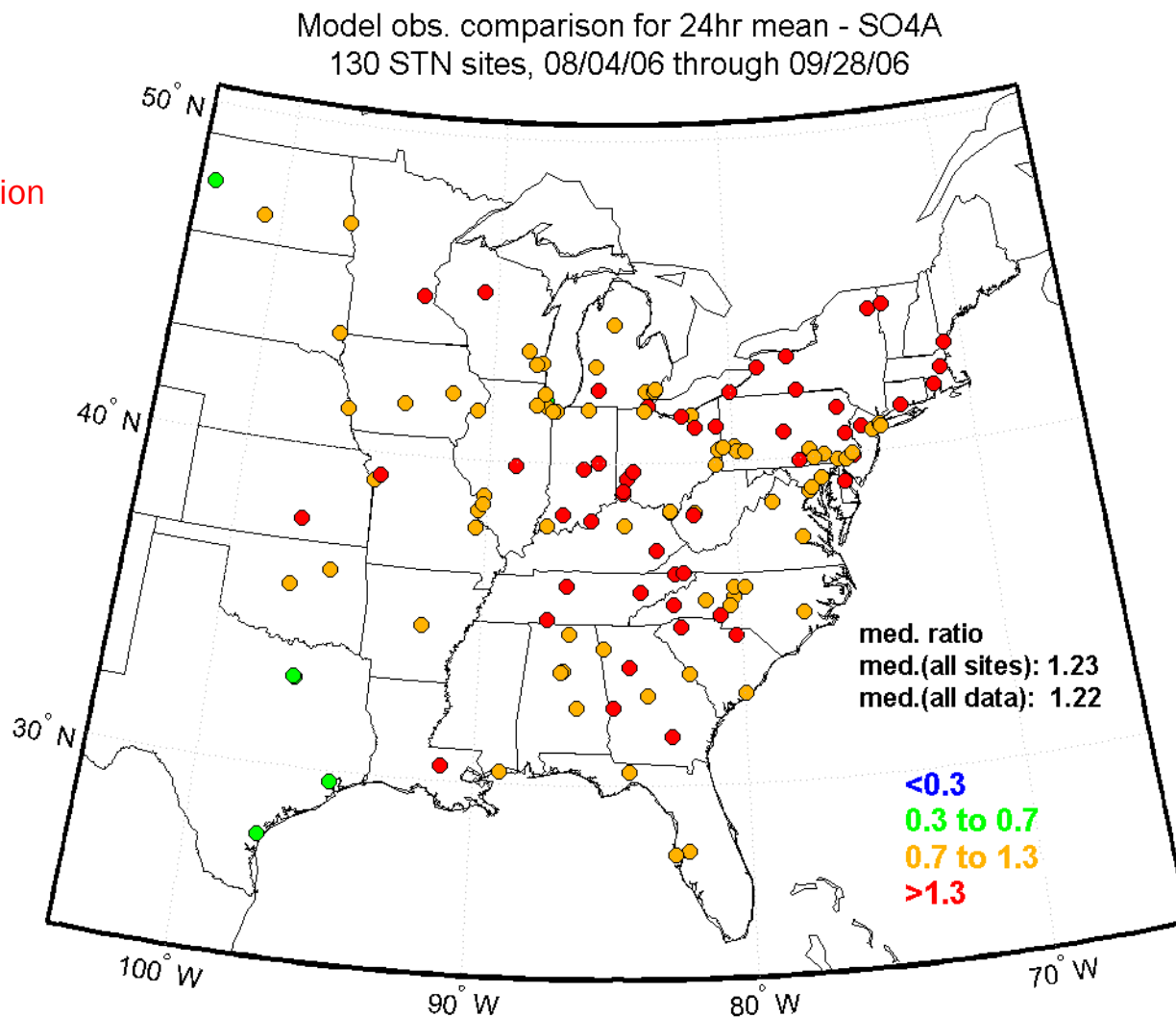
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RACM\_ESRL gas chemistry:

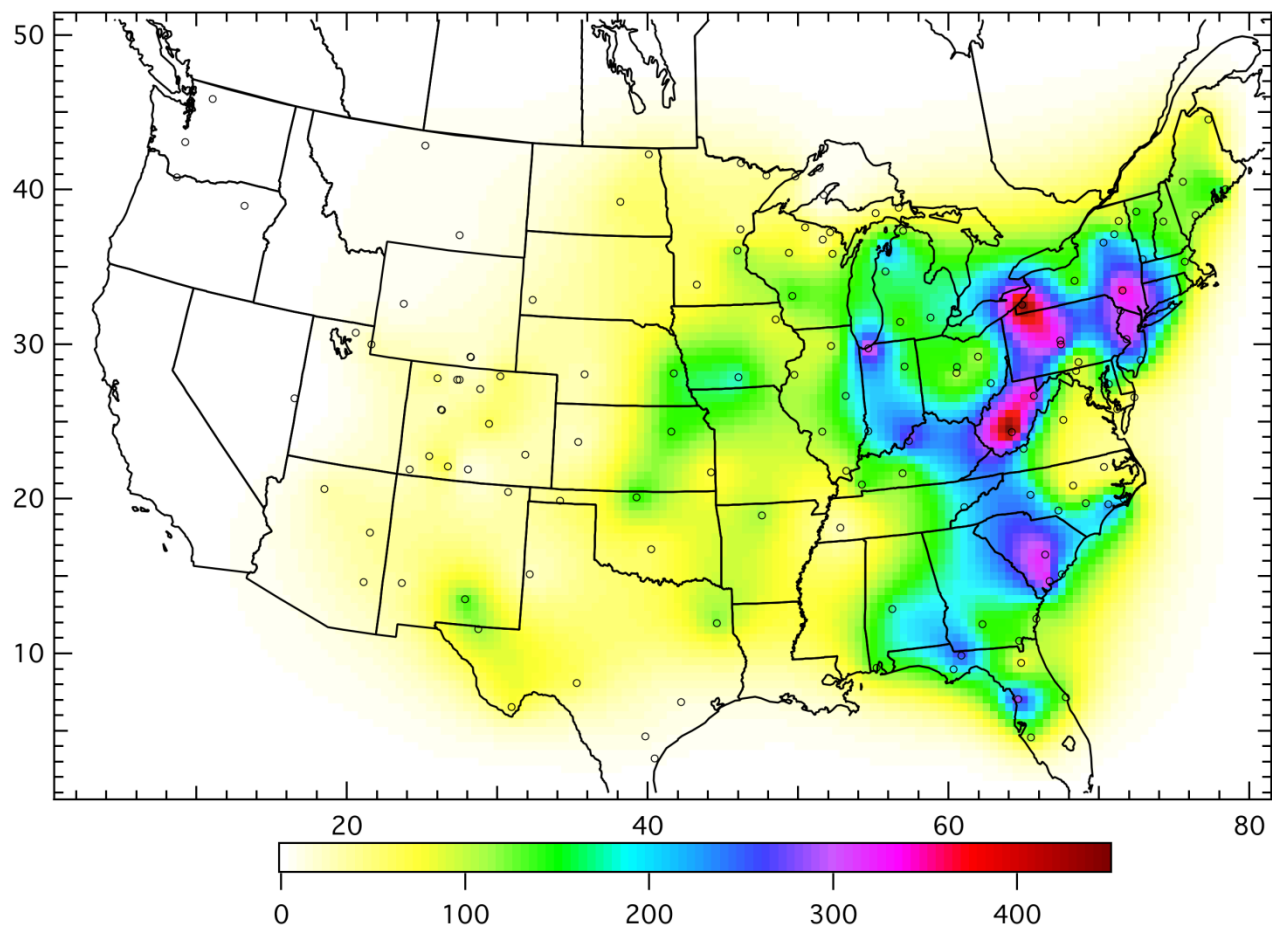
GOCART SO<sub>2</sub>->SO<sub>4</sub> conversion

Cloud fraction

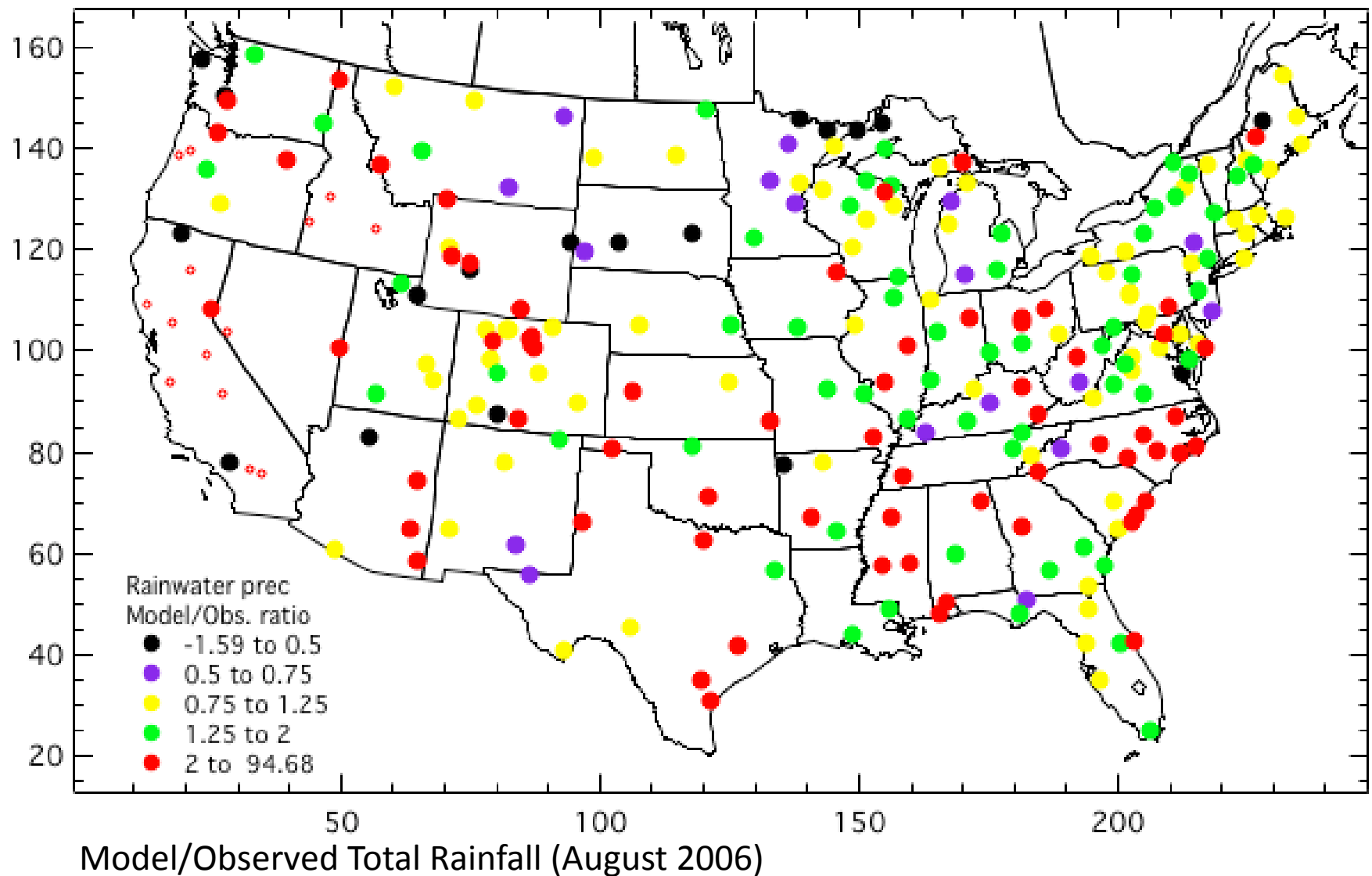
No wet removal!



## NADP OBSERVED SULFATE WET REMOVAL, AUGUST, 2006, ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^2/\text{month}$ )



# NADP NETWORK, EVALUATION OF RAINFALL





# MODEL-OBSERVED SO<sub>4</sub> WET DEPOSITION (AUGUST 2006)

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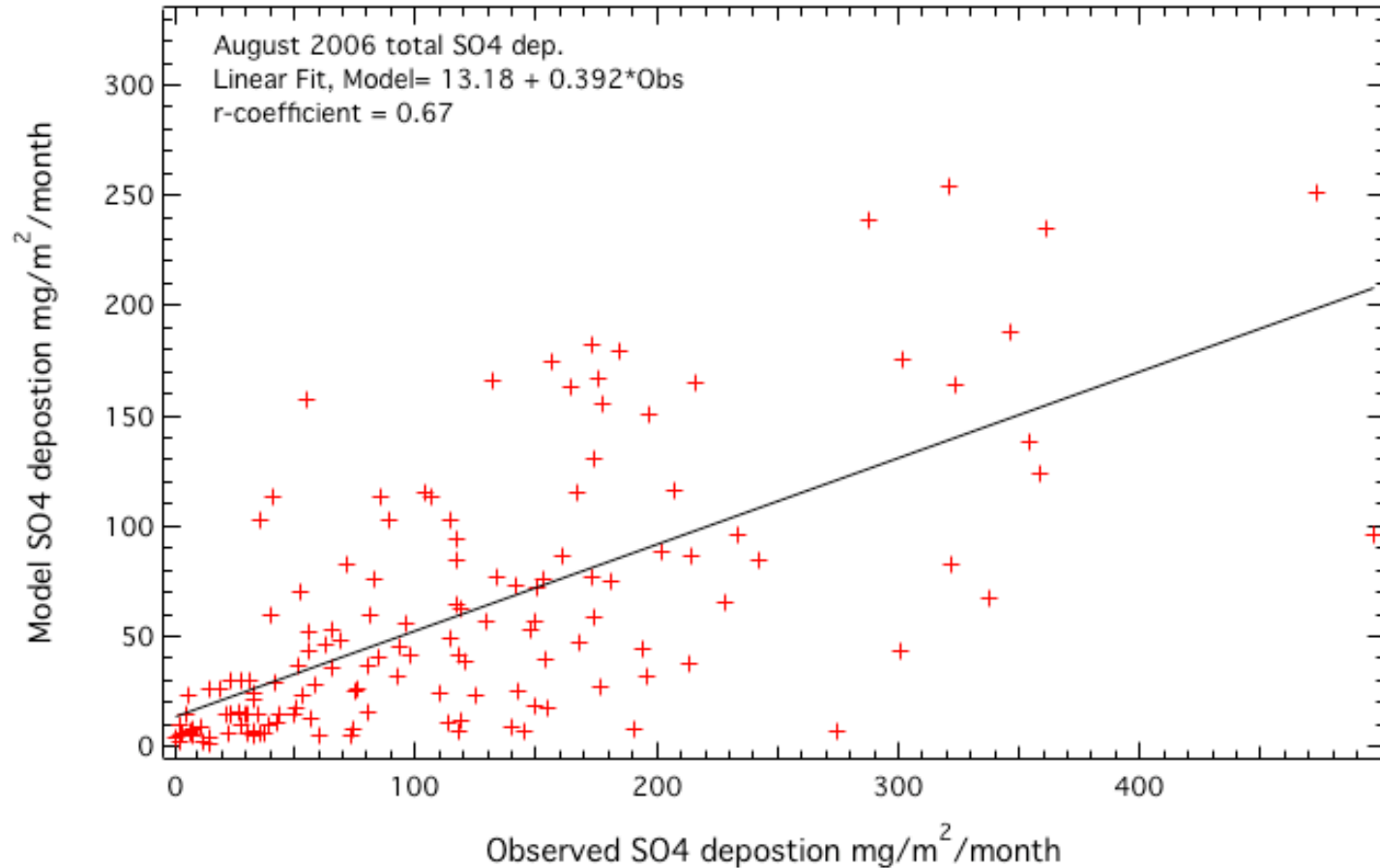
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Gas chemistry:

RADM\_KPP

CMAQ aqueous chemistry

with wet removal

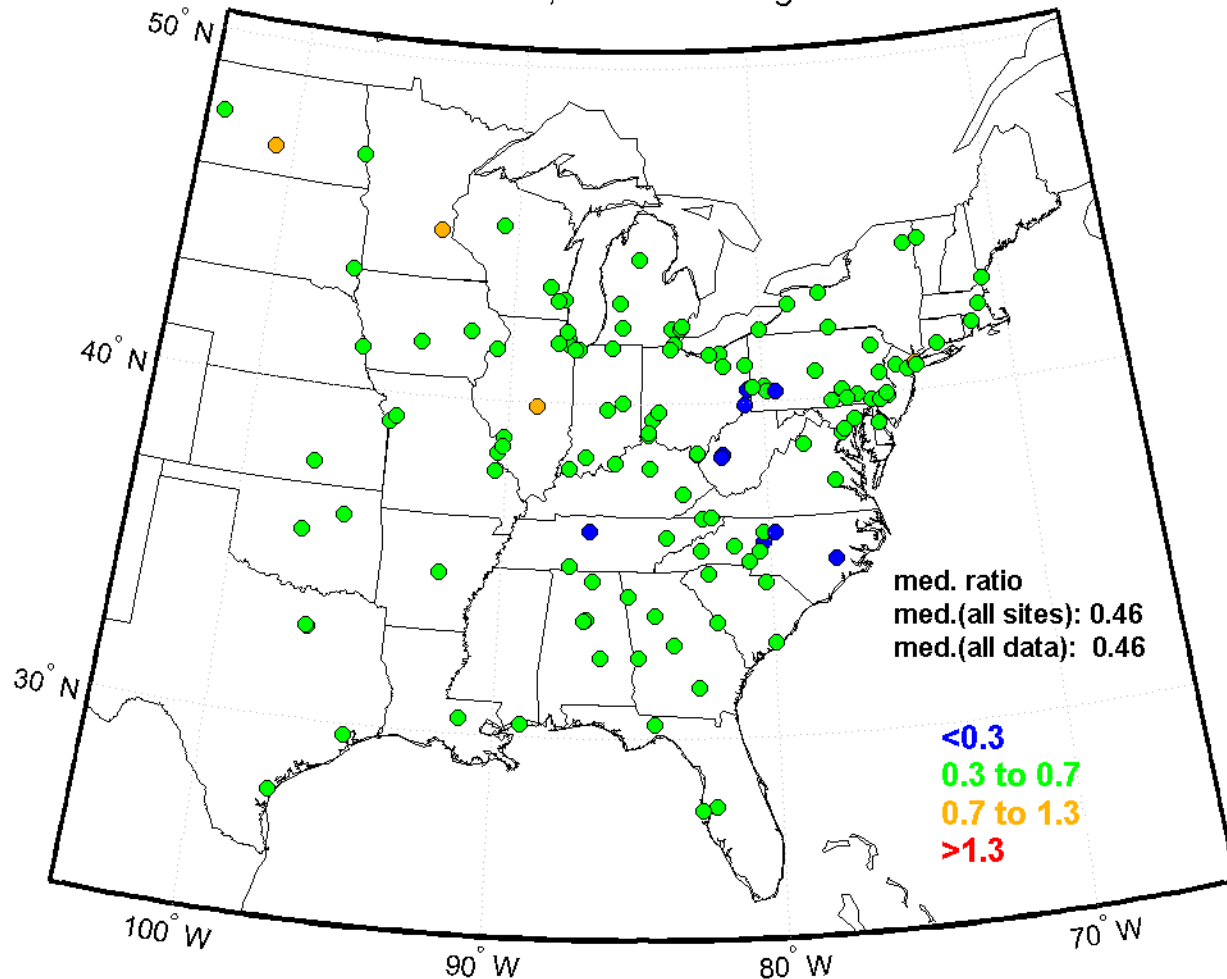


# WET REMOVAL STATISTICS FOR MAY-SEPTEMBER, 2006

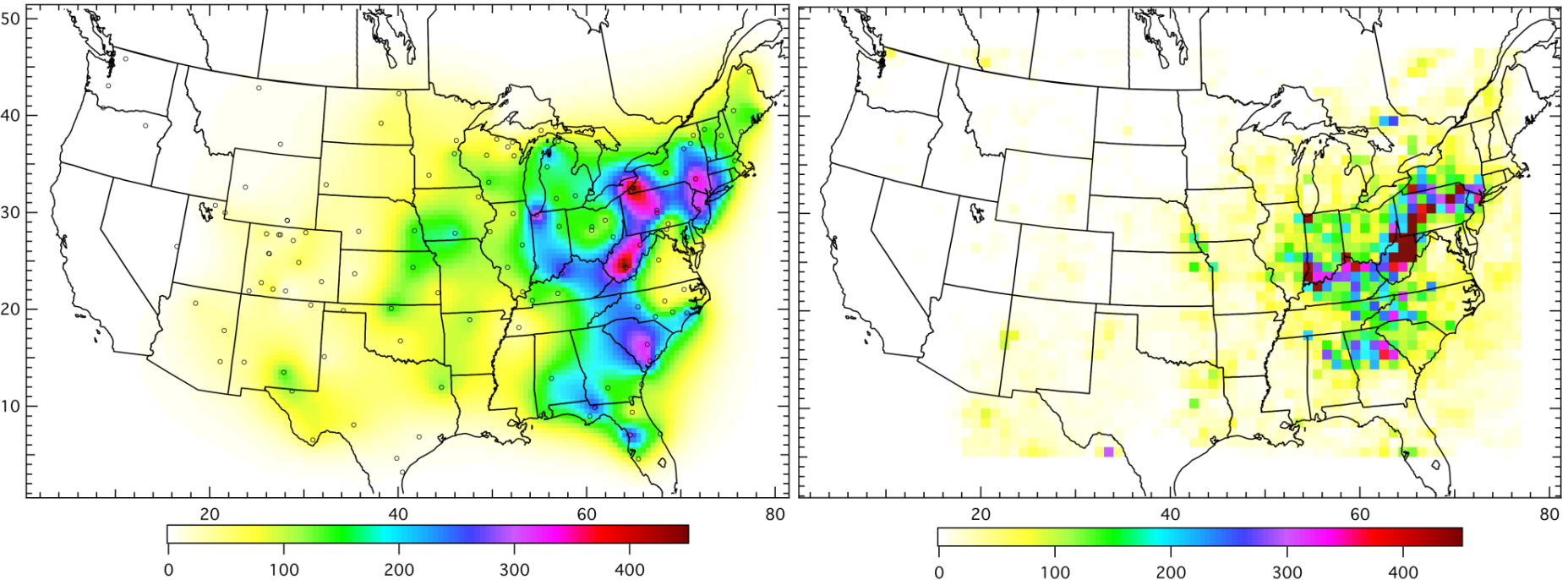
<b>Month</b>	<b>Precipitation r coeff.</b>	<b>Precipitation mod/ob median</b>	<b>SO4 wet dep. r coeff.</b>	<b>SO4 wet dep. mod/ob median</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>0.66</b>	<b>1.35</b>	<b>0.73</b>	<b>0.61</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>0.78</b>	<b>1.30</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>0.47</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>0.67</b>	<b>1.12</b>	<b>0.78</b>	<b>0.41</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>0.51</b>	<b>1.51</b>	<b>0.67</b>	<b>0.54</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>0.72</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>0.70</b>	<b>0.56</b>
<b>May-Sept.</b>	<b>0.81</b>	<b>1.25</b>	<b>0.86</b>	<b>0.55</b>

# DAILY SULFATE CONCENTRATIONS, WRF-CHEM3.3 WITH WET REMOVAL (CMAQ AQ.CHEM)

Model obs. comparison for 24hr mean - SO<sub>4</sub>A  
130 STN sites, 08/04/06 through 09/28/06



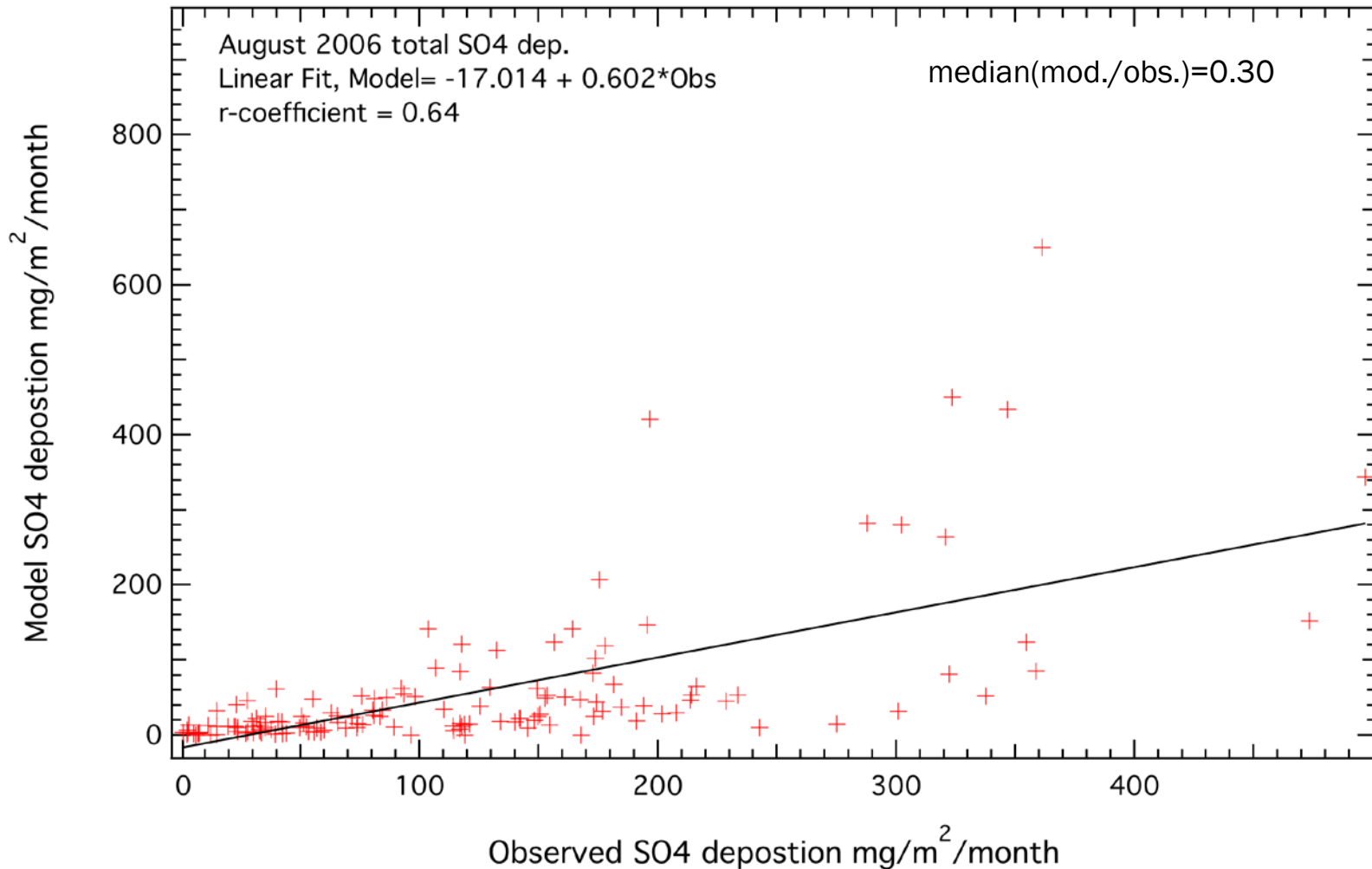
# SULFATE WET REMOVAL, AUGUST, 2006 ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^2/\text{month}$ )



Observations

WRF-CHEM3.3, convective  
wet removal (Grell scheme)

# MODEL-OBSERVED SO<sub>4</sub> WET DEPOSITION (AUGUST 2006)



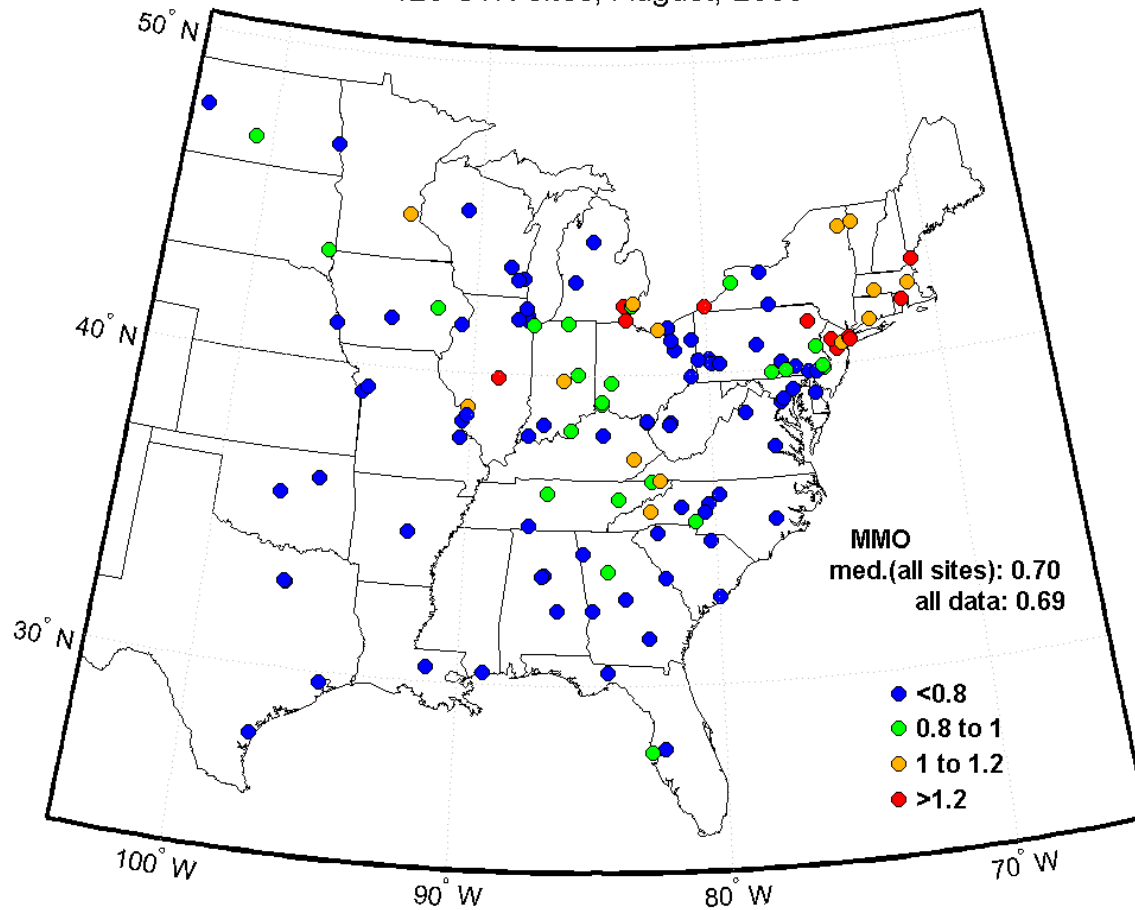
WRF-CHEM 3.3 with convective only wet  
removal (Grell scheme)

# CONCLUDING REMARKS

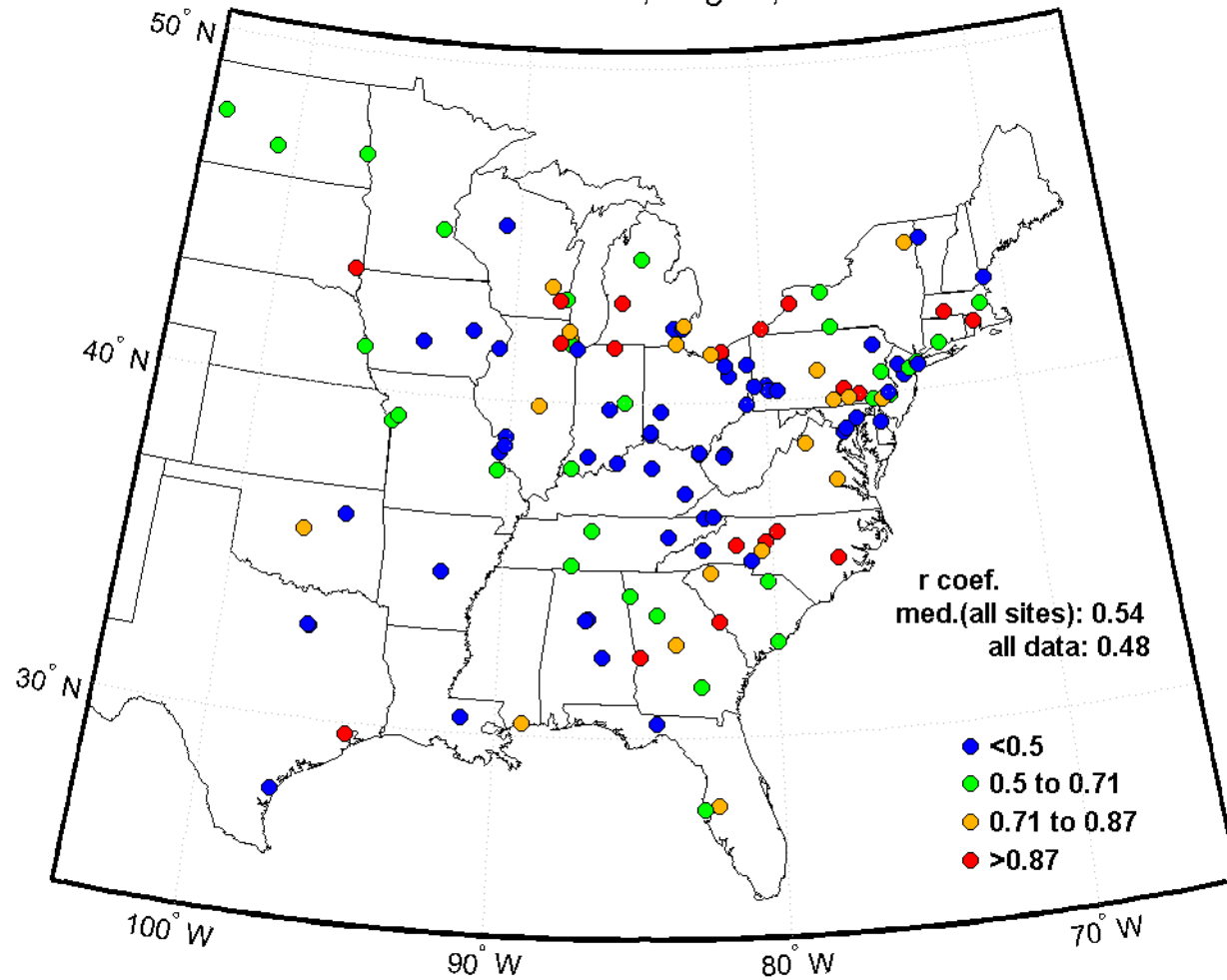
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- ❑ Reasonable correlations for rain and wet removal, still sulfate removal and concentrations are under-estimated
- ❑ Strong need for extensive evaluation of wet removal in WRF-CHEM different scales, resolved and sub-grid precipitation
- ❑ Improvement of sulfate simulations – cloud phase conversion, wet and dry removal
- ❑ CMAQ aqueous chemistry needs to be coupled to resolved clouds as well
- ❑ Role of cloud fraction ( $\text{SO}_2 \rightarrow \text{SO}_4$  conversion, feedback on radiation and photolysis)
- ❑ Implementation of wet removal for other gaseous and particle species

Model obs. comparison for 24hr mean - SO<sub>4</sub>A  
126 STN sites, August, 2006



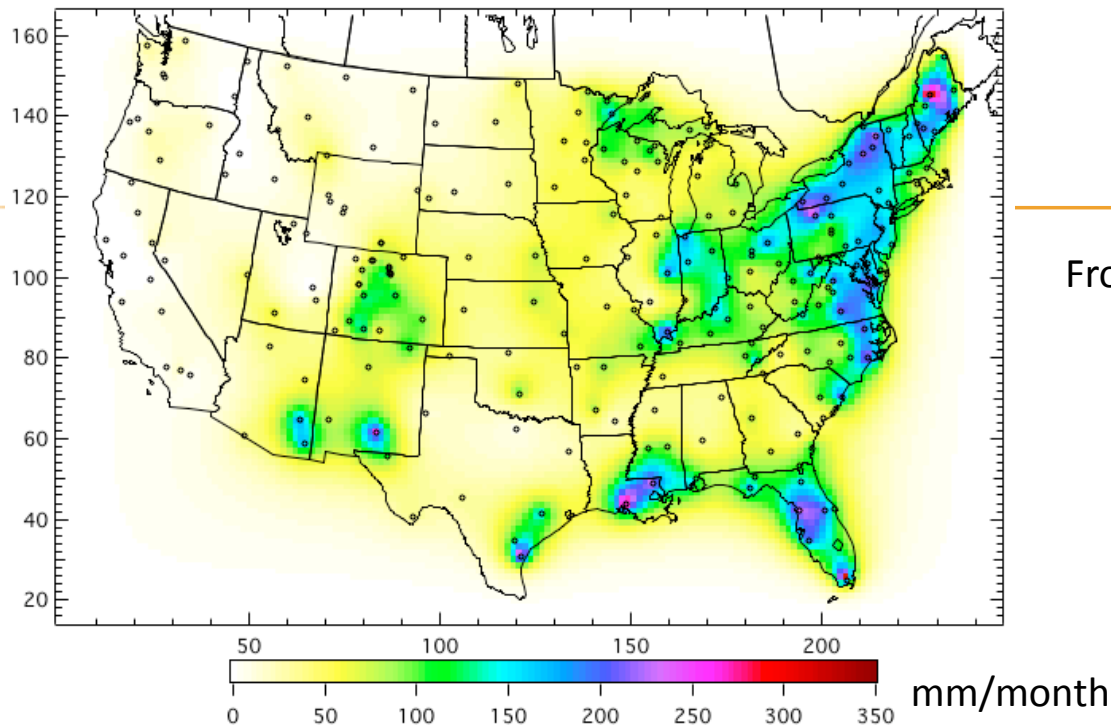
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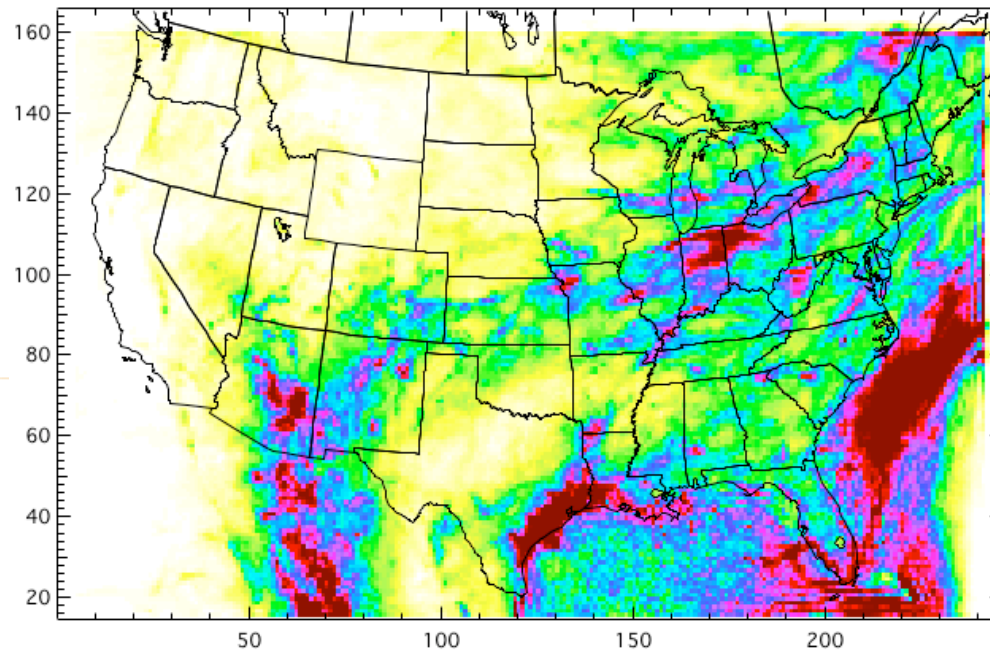


## July 2006 rainfall totals

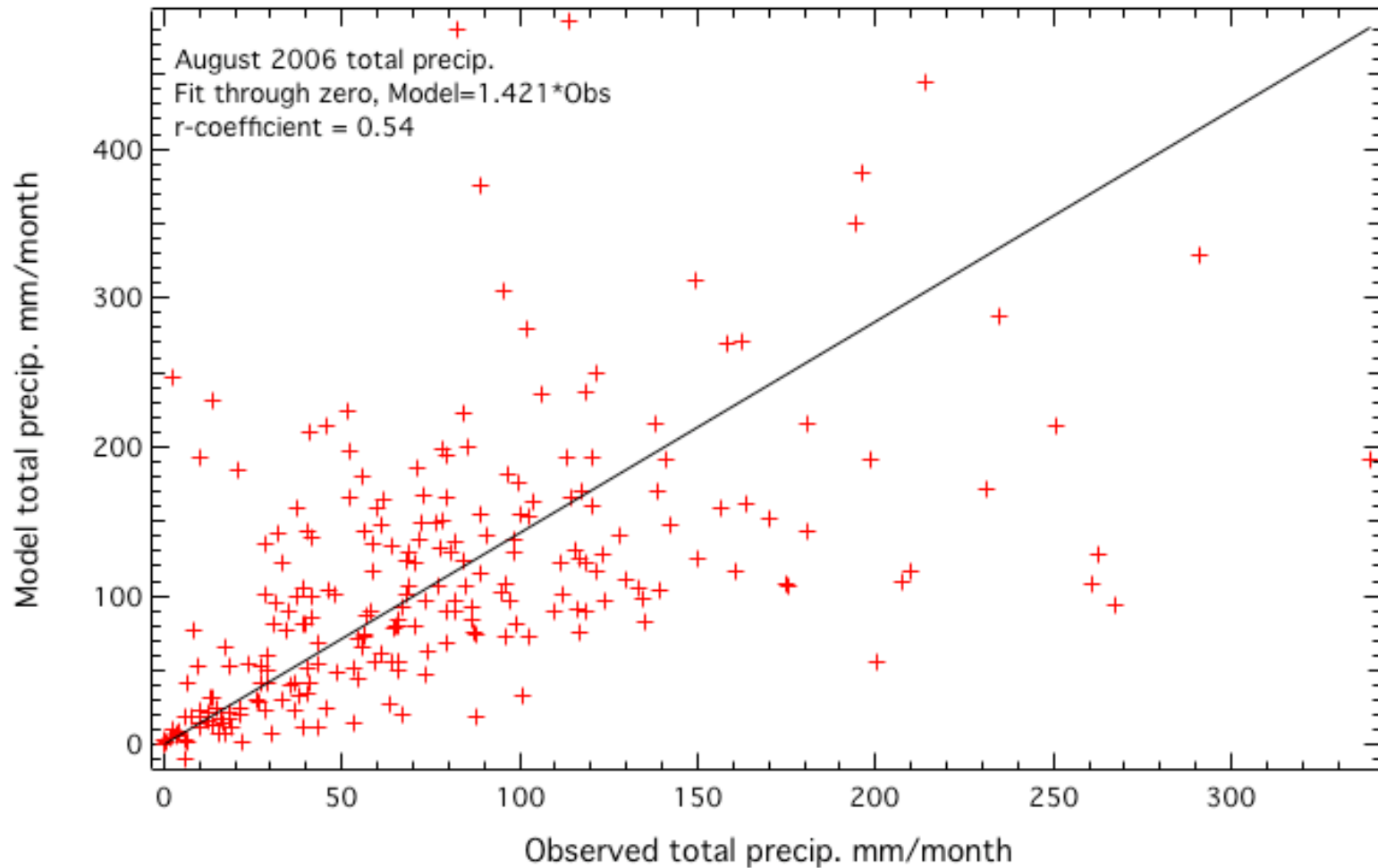
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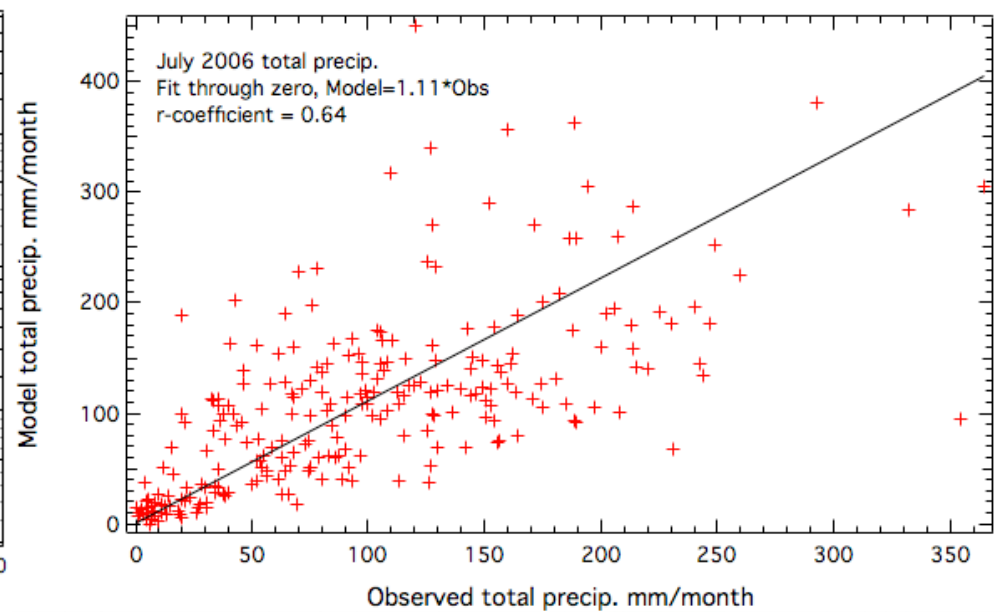
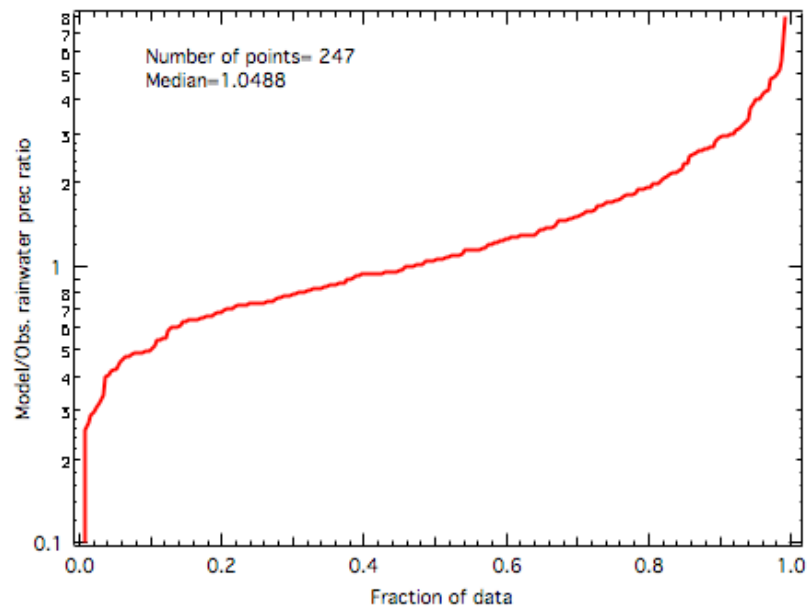
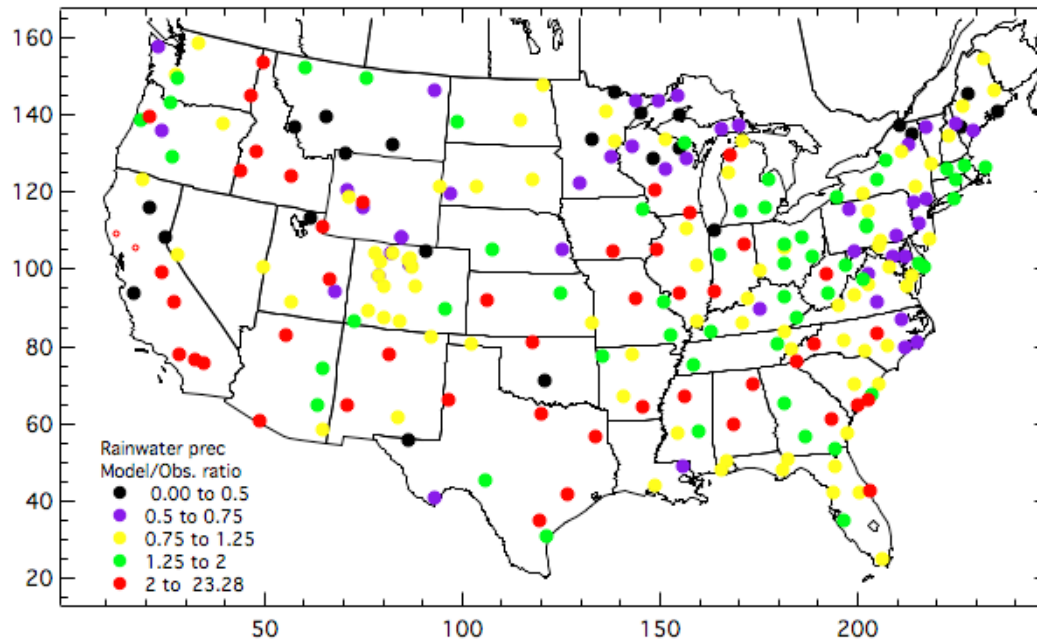
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Convective plus Nonconvective

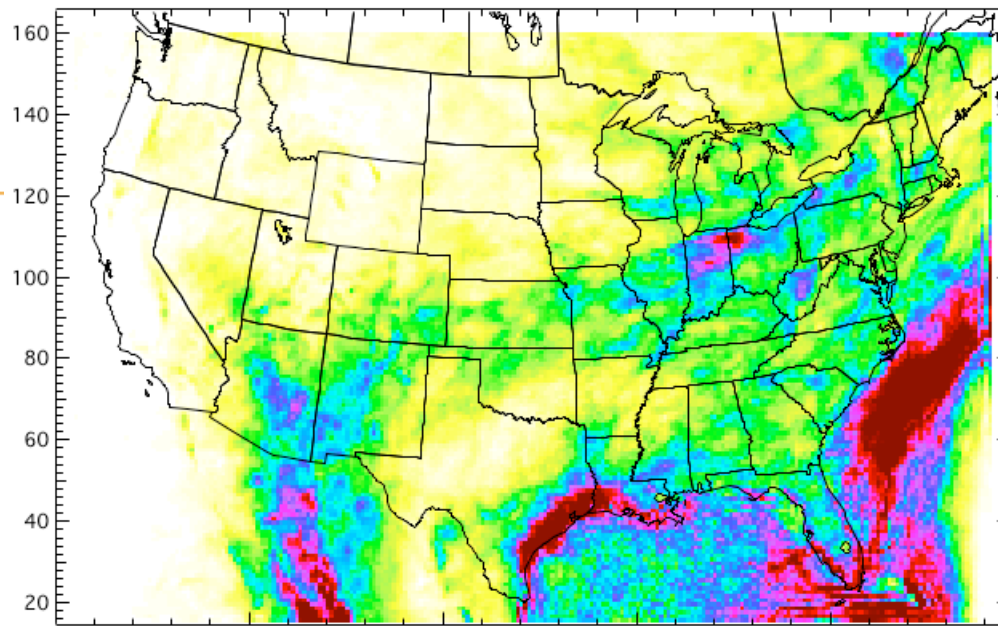


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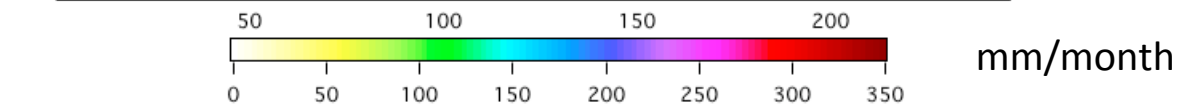


## Model/Observed Total Rainfall (July 2006)

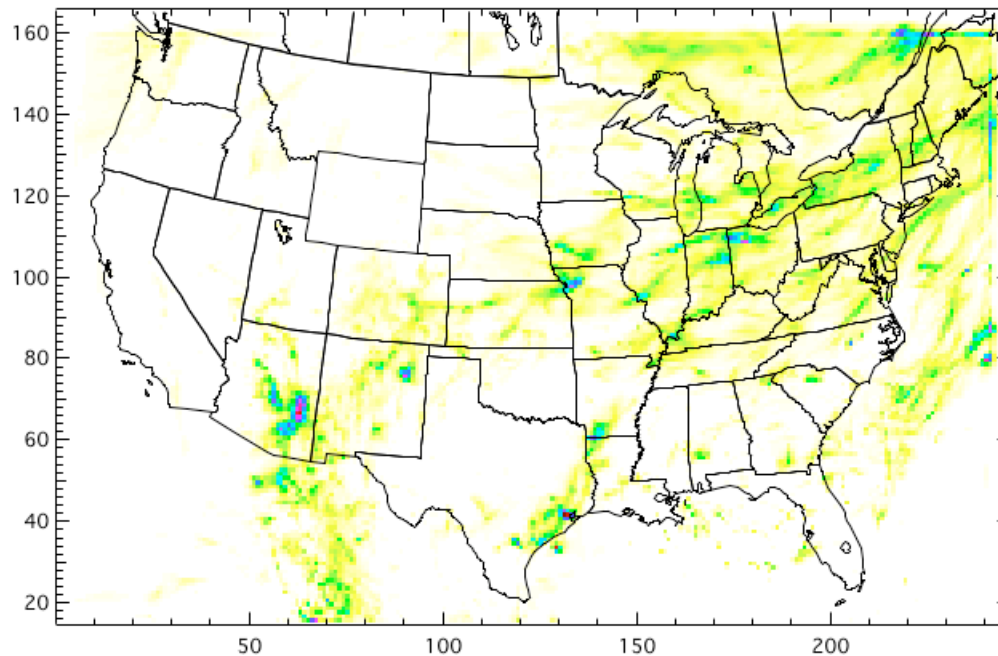




WRF/Chem July 2006 total  
Convective Rainfall



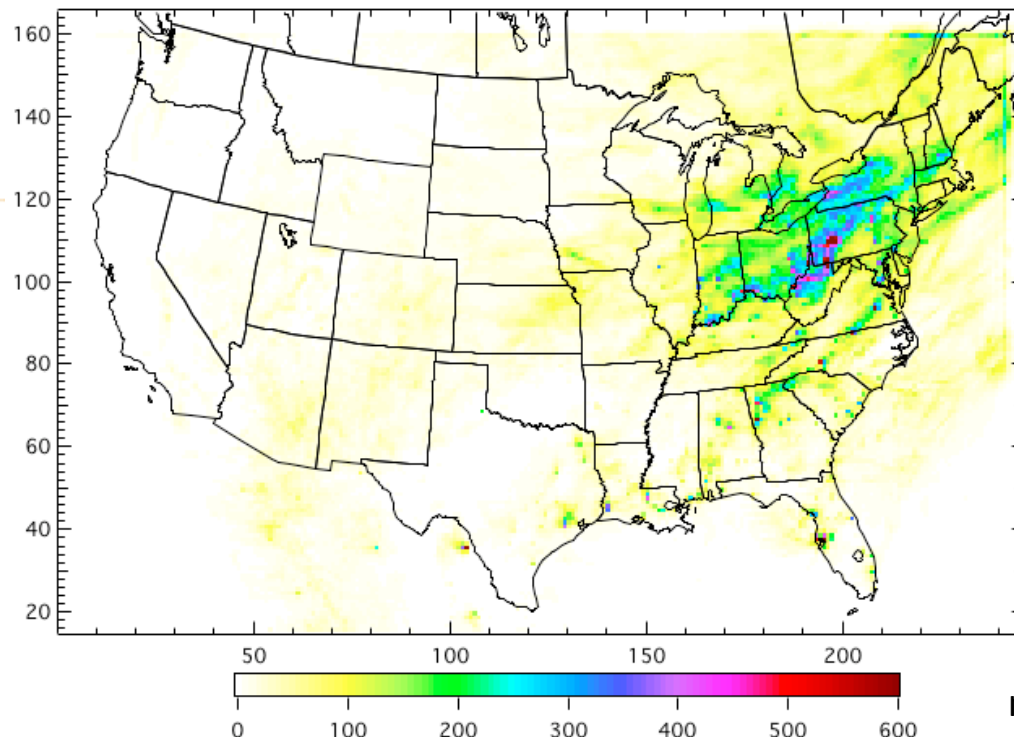
mm/month



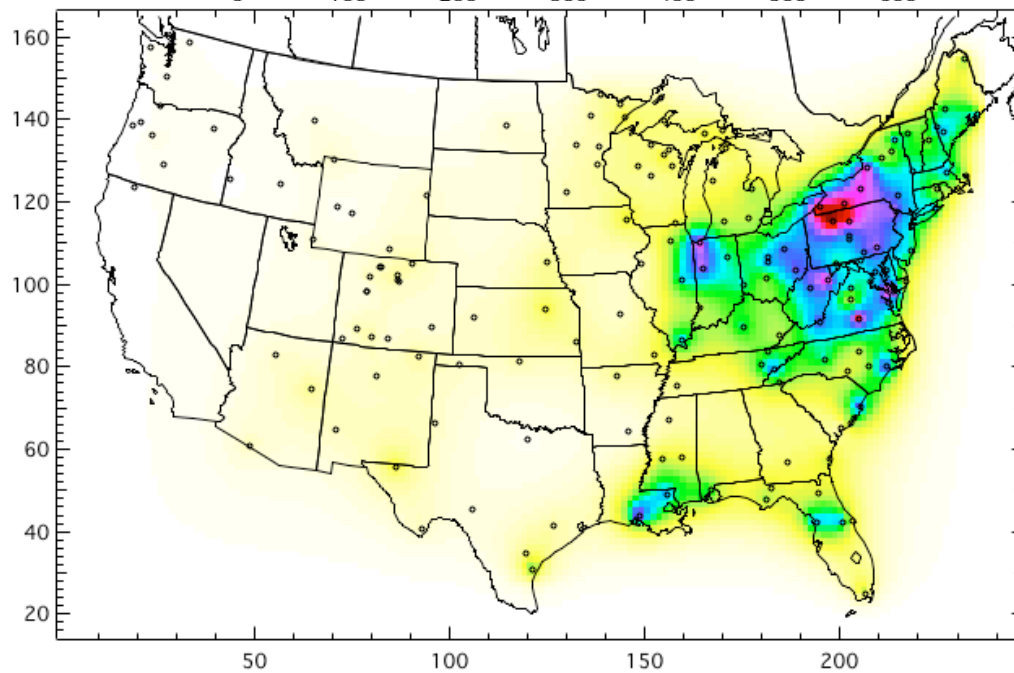
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Nonconvective Rainfall

July 2006 SO<sub>4</sub> wet deposition

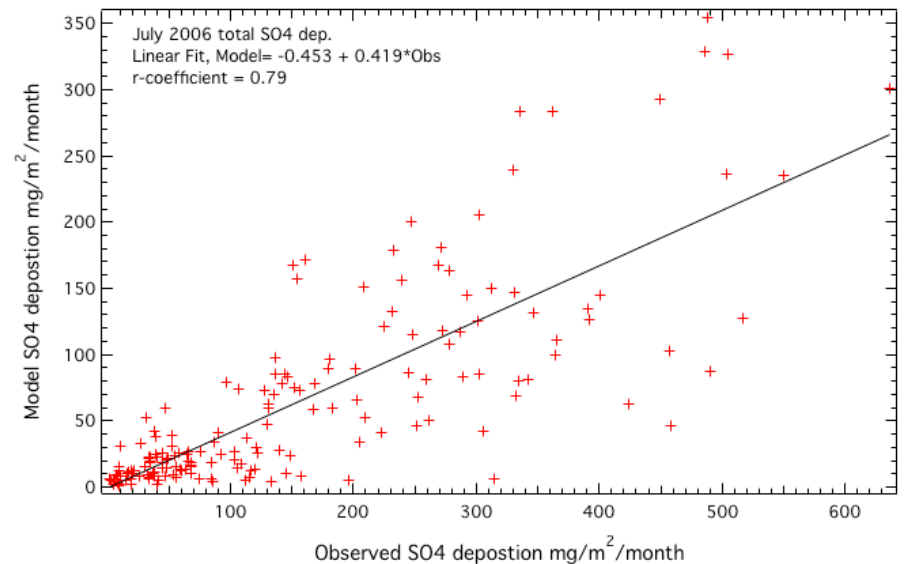
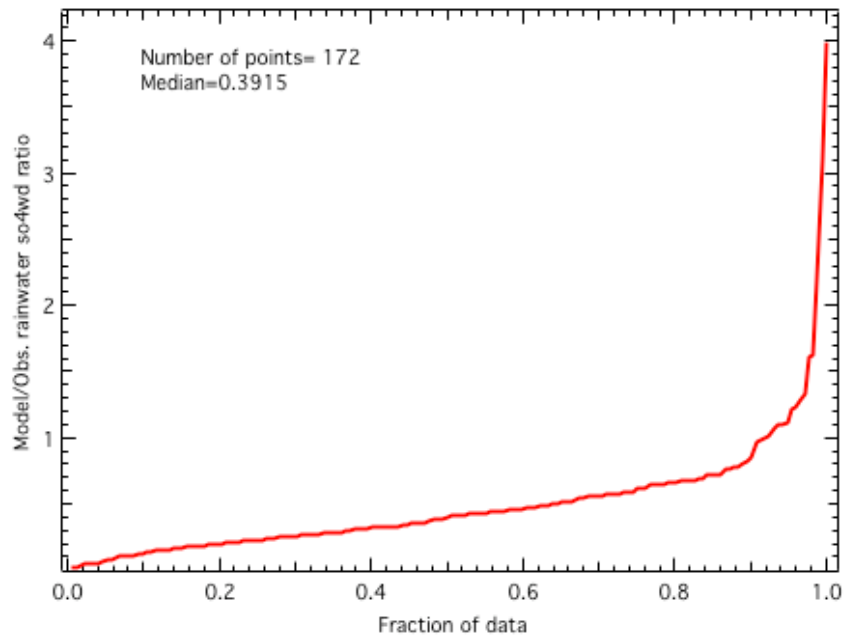
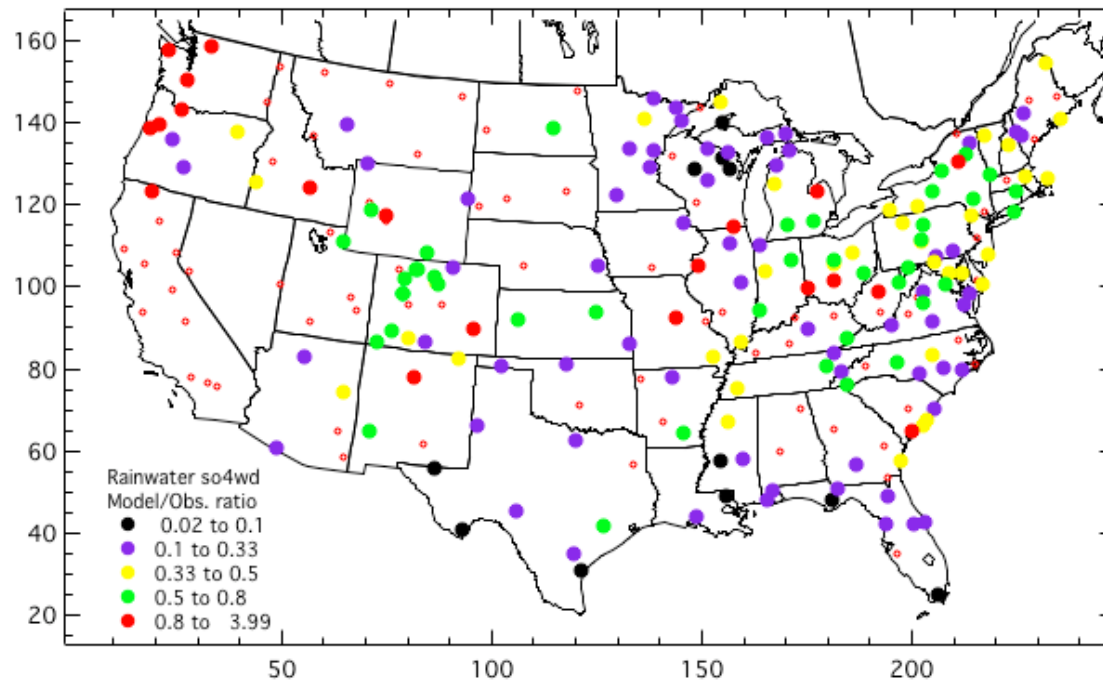
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From NADP/NTN network



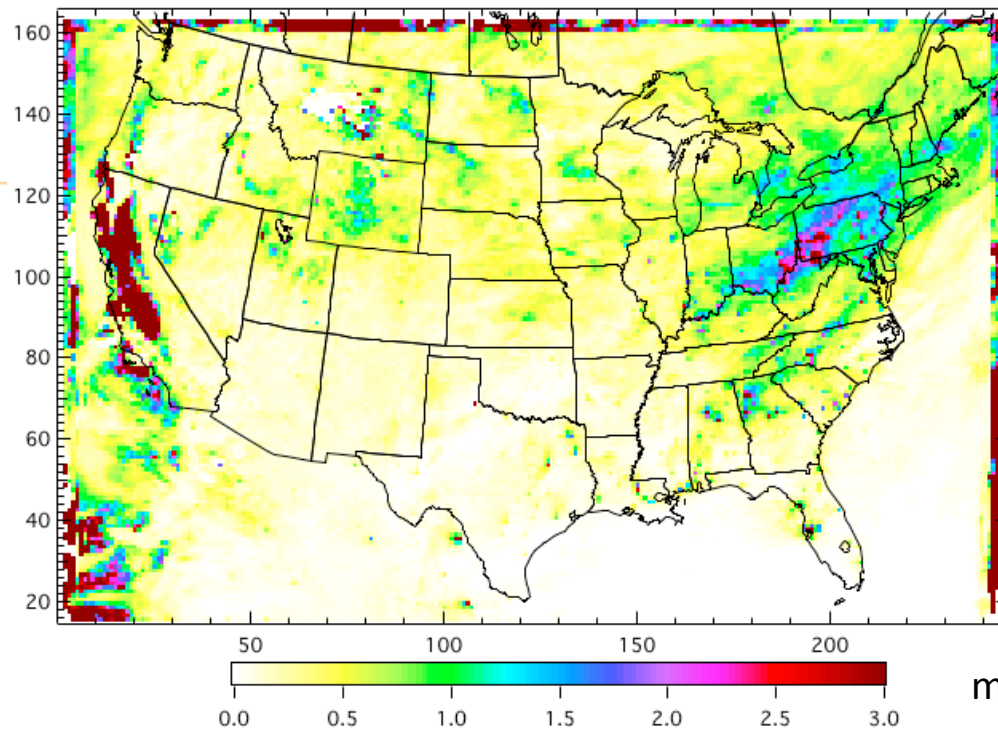
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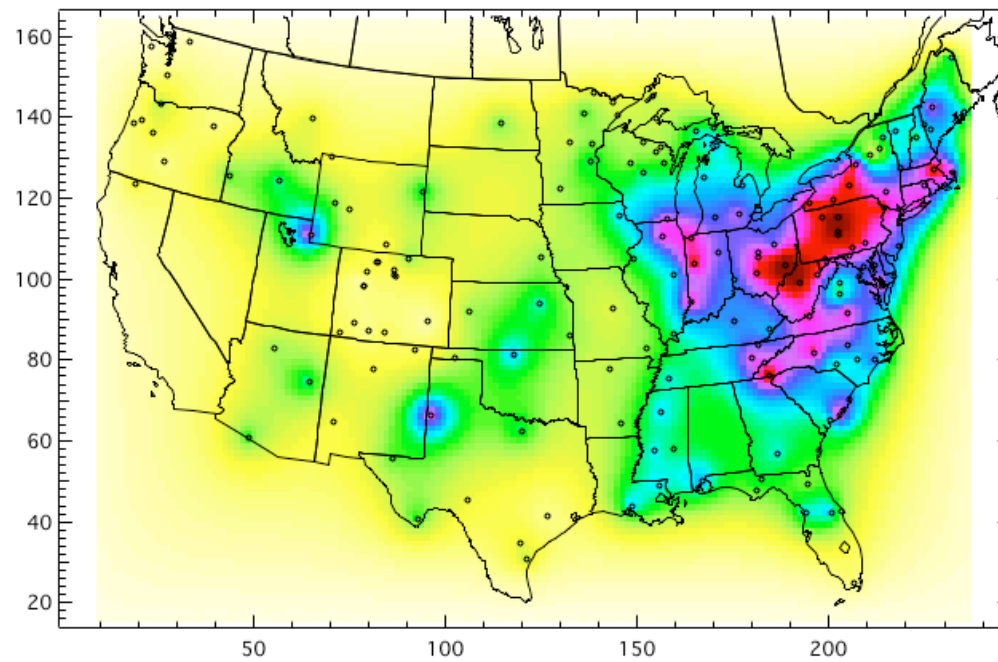
July 2006 SO<sub>4</sub> average  
rainwater concentration

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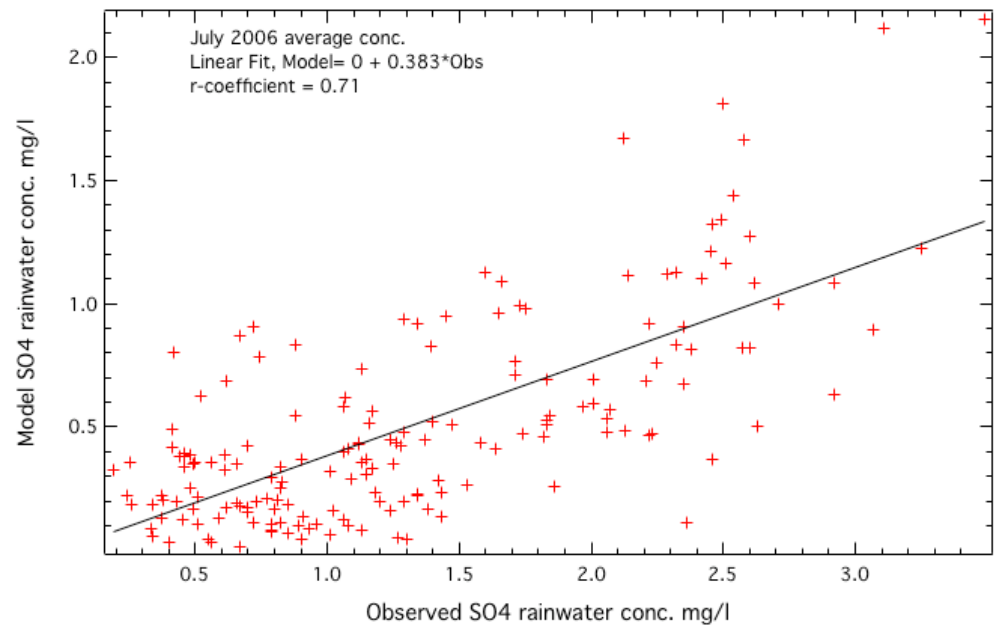
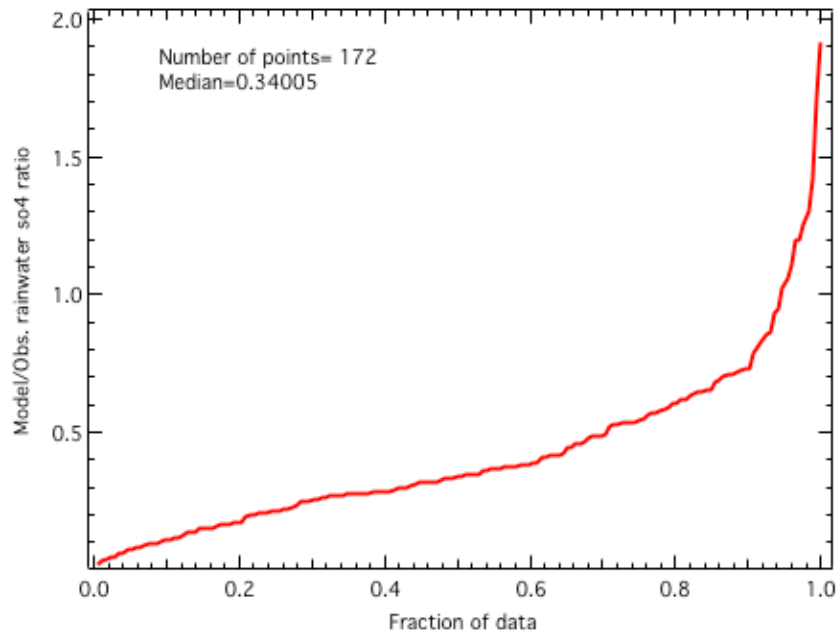
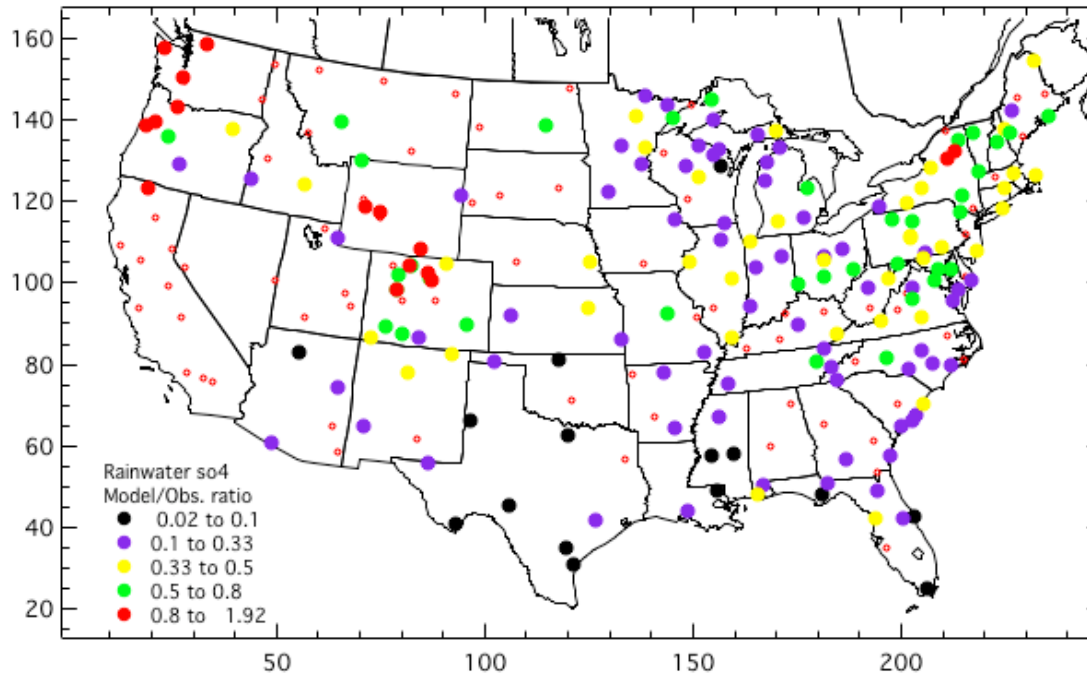


mg/liter

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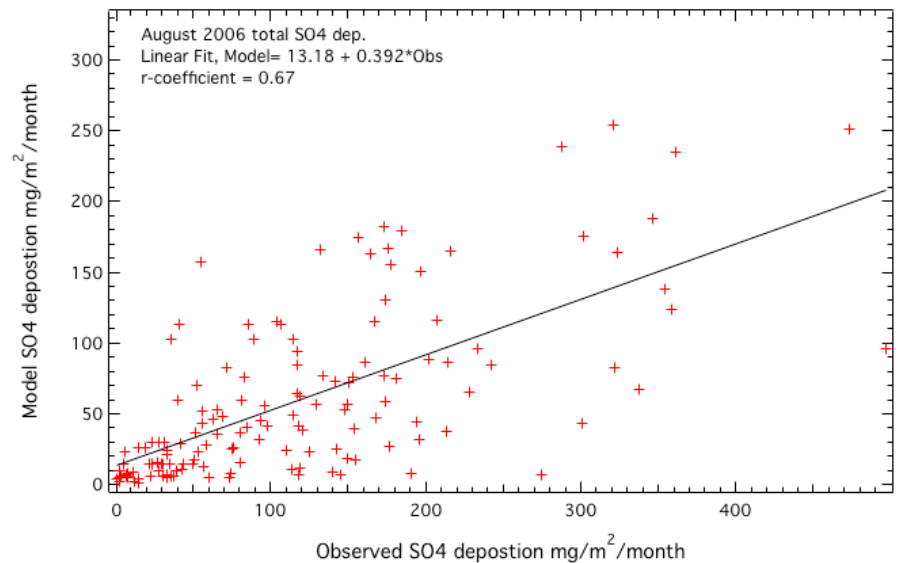
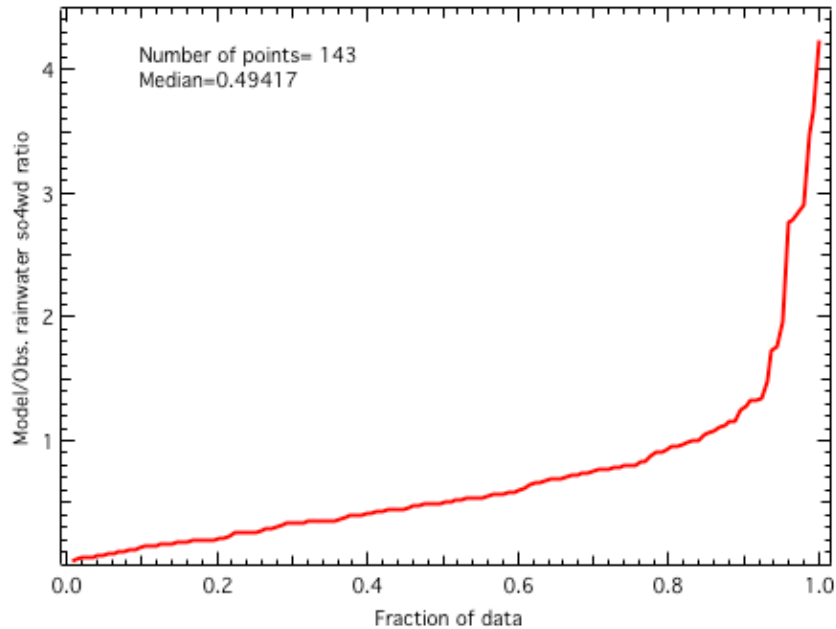
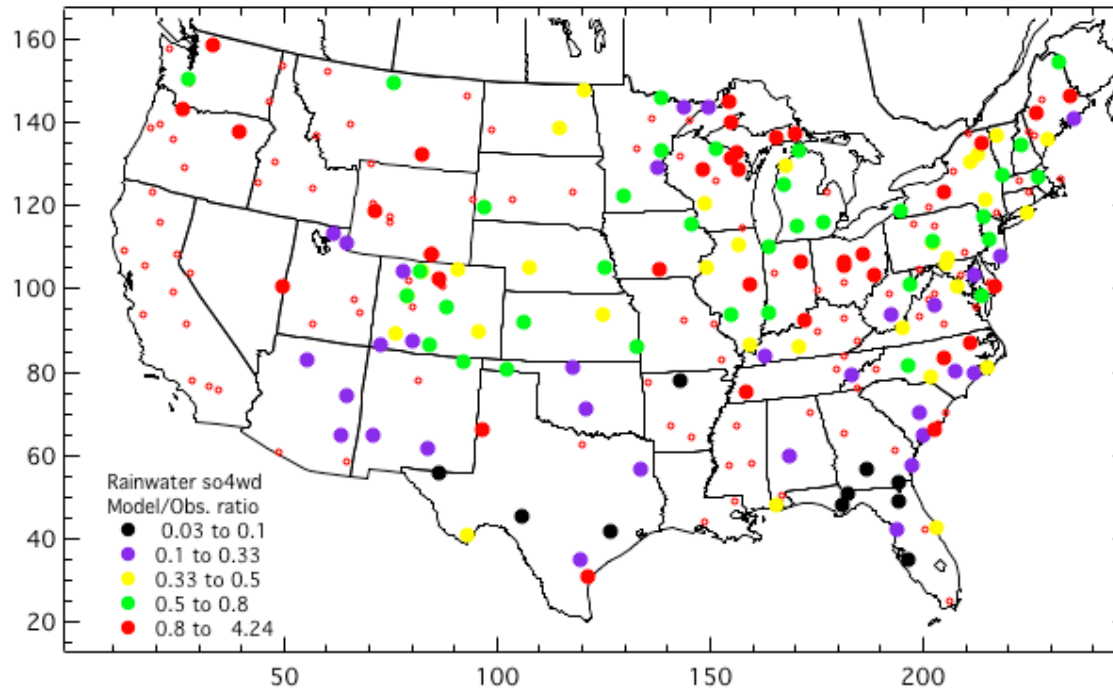


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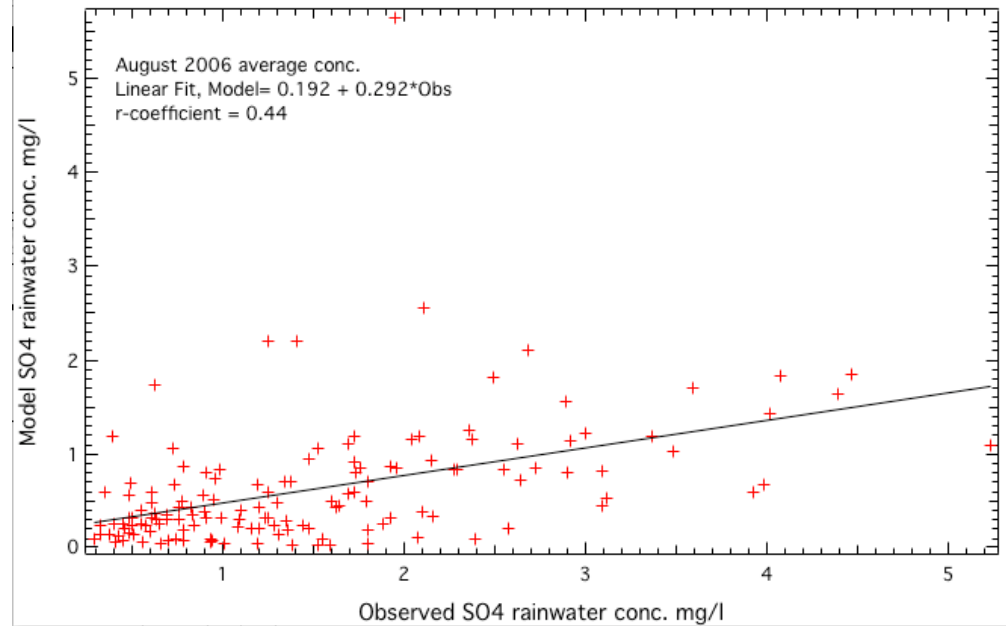
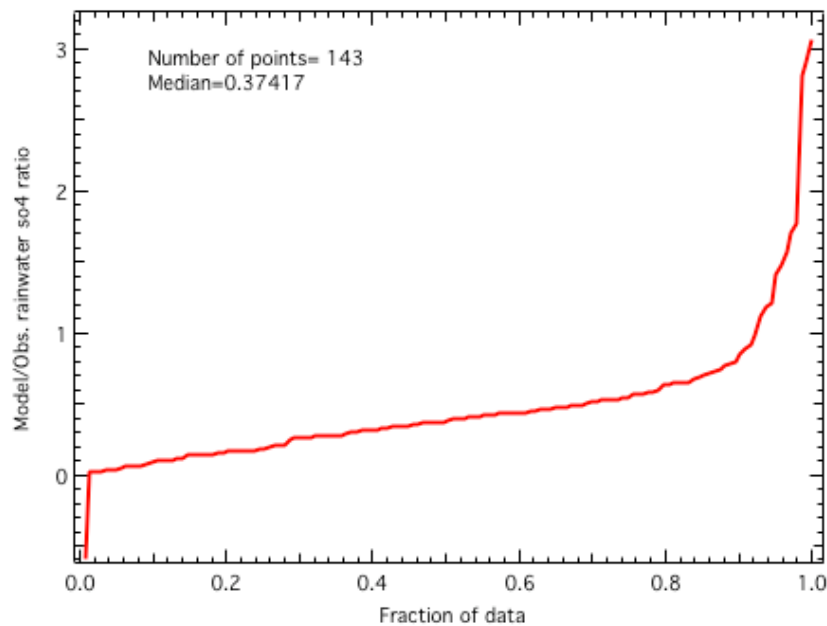
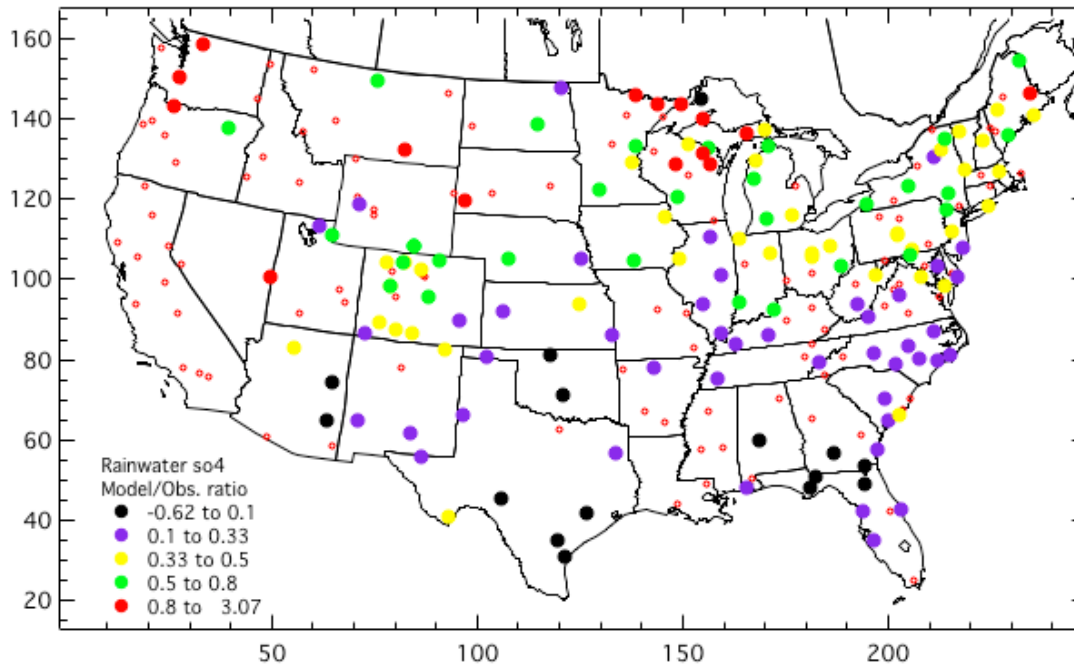




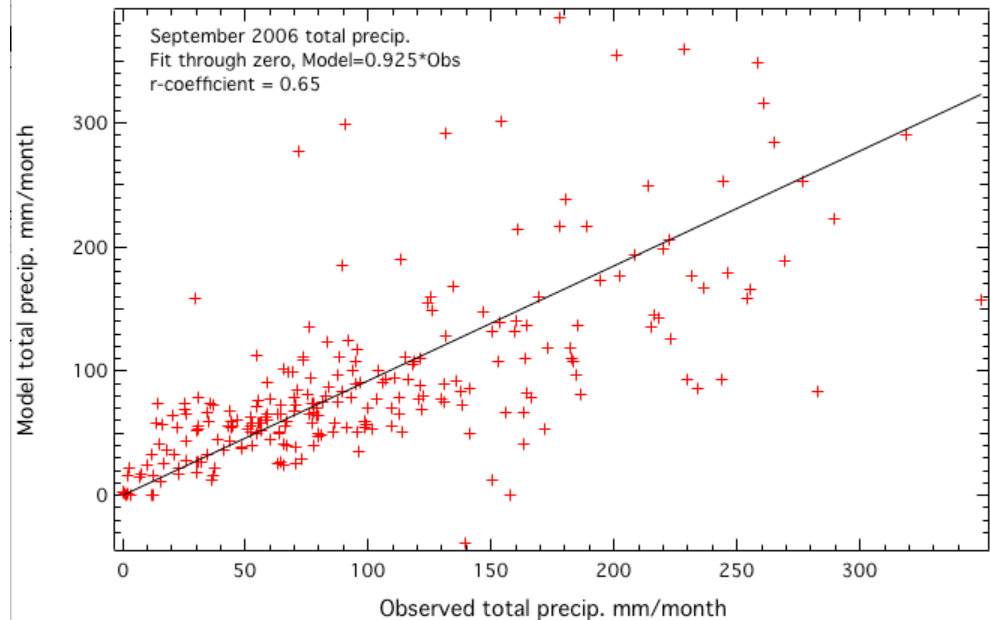
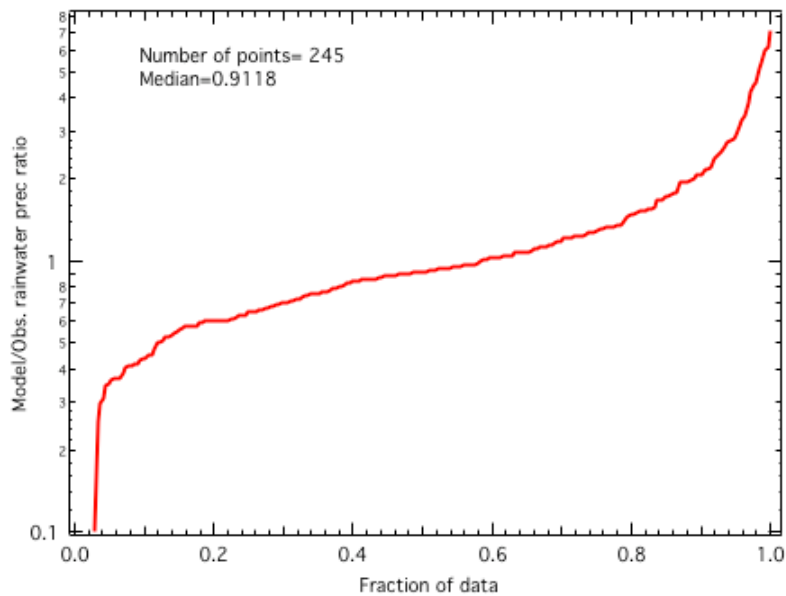
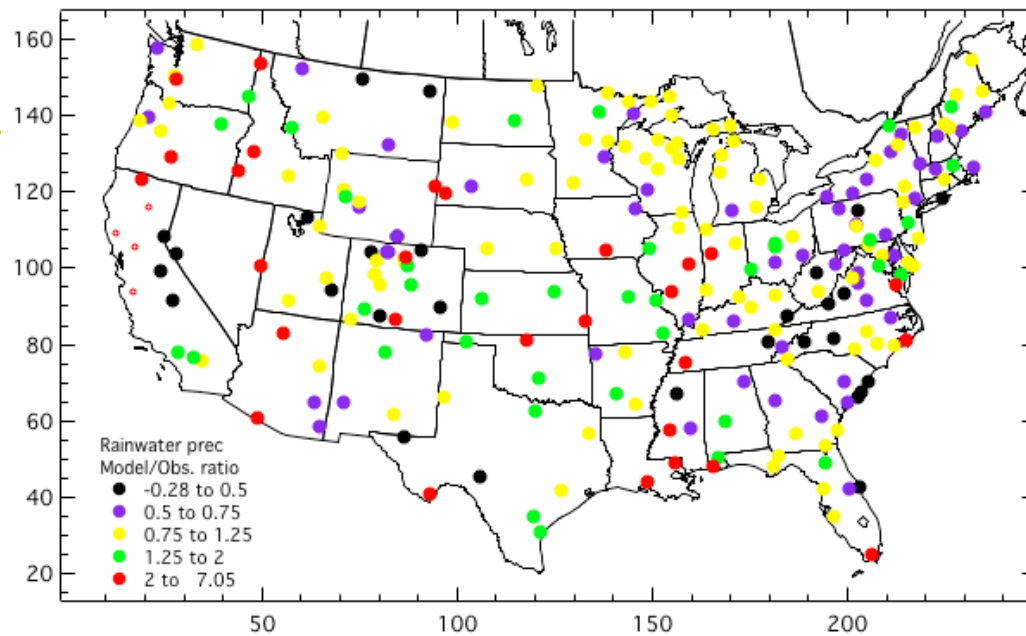
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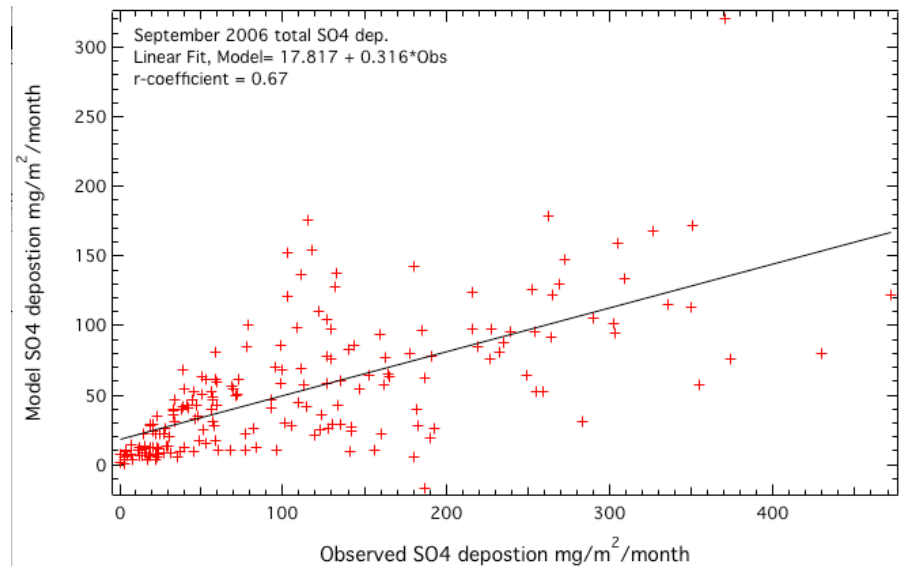
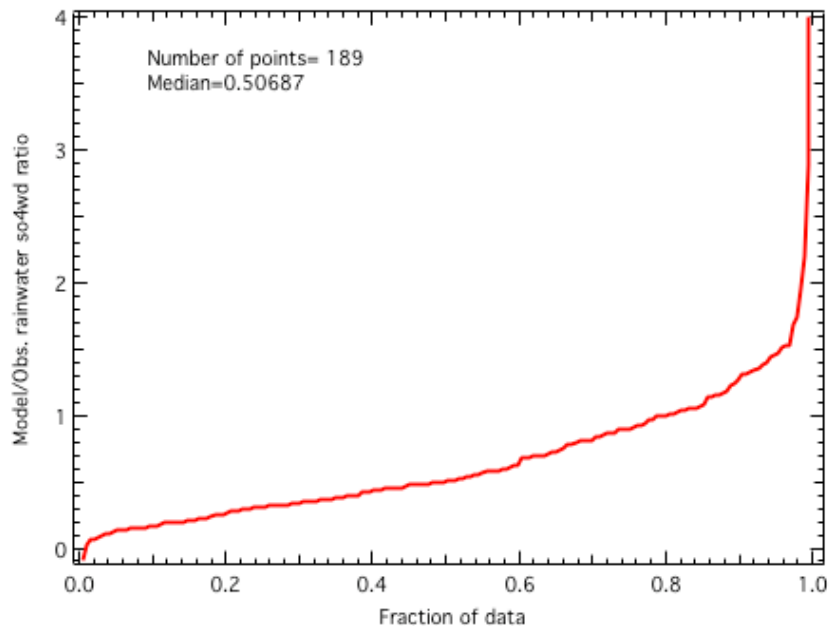
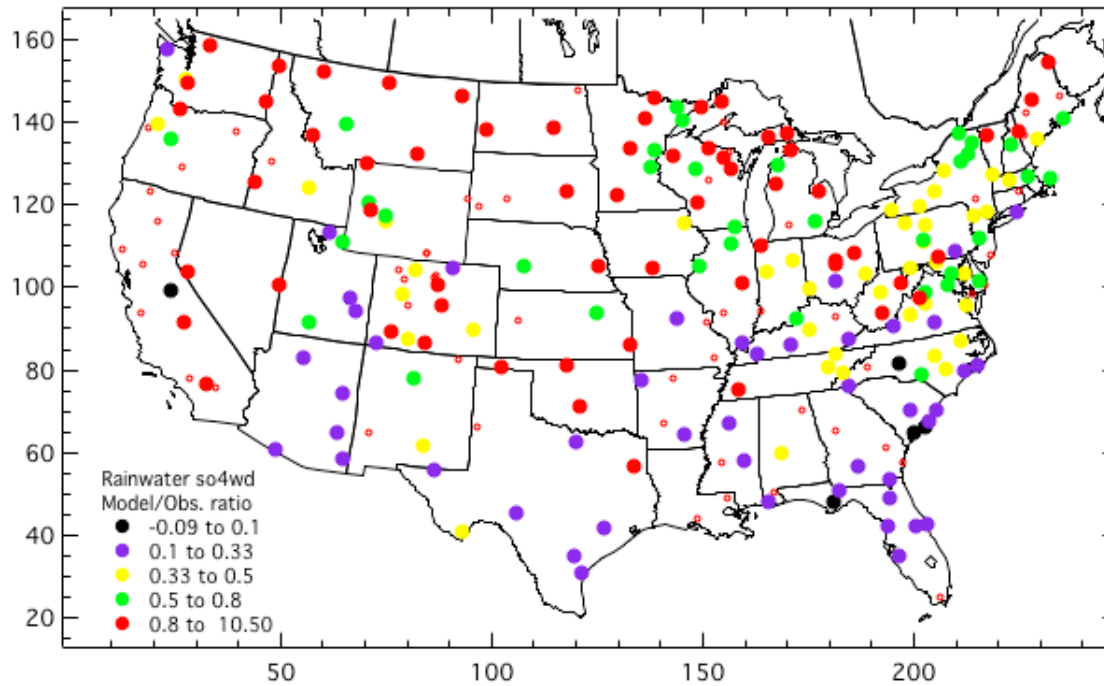
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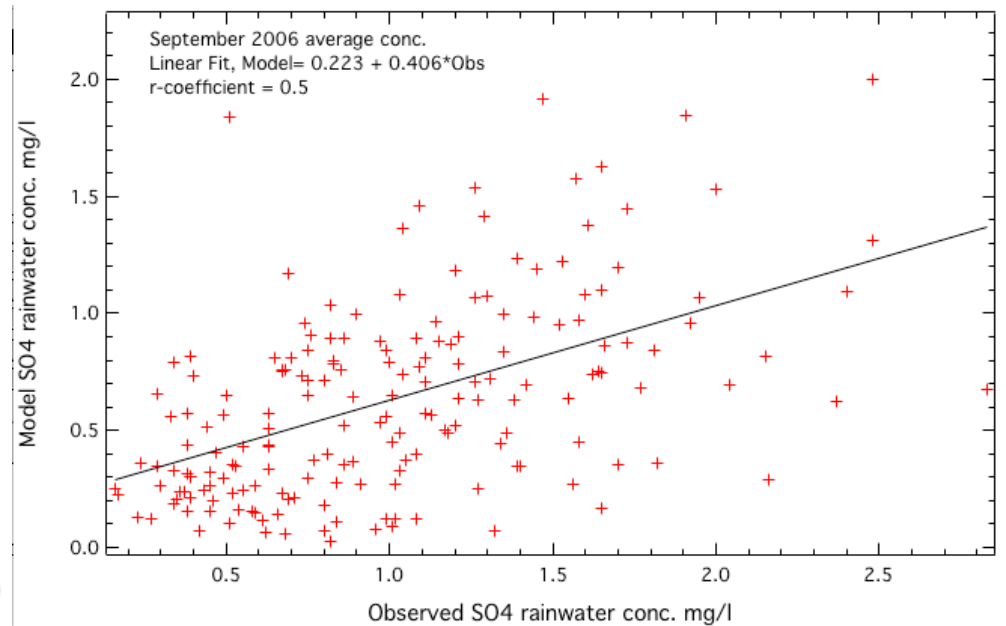
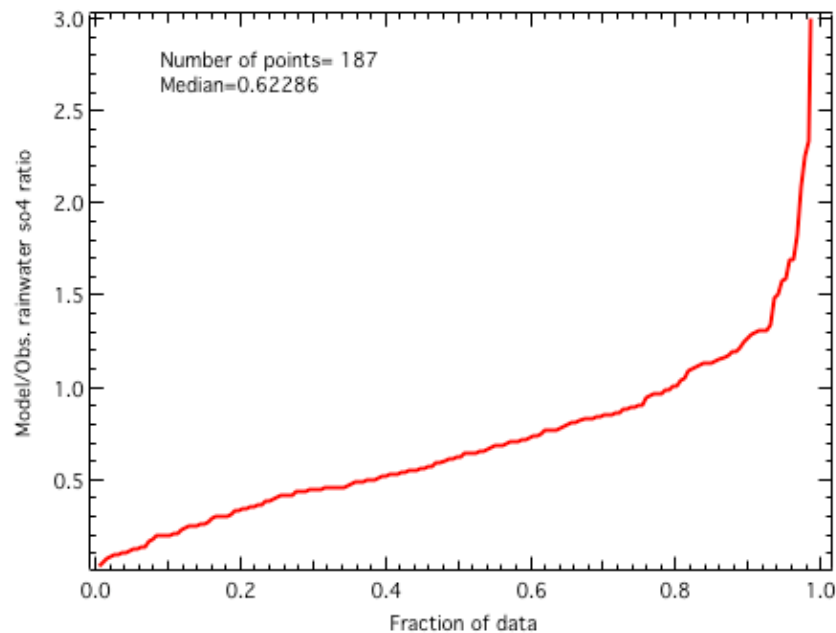
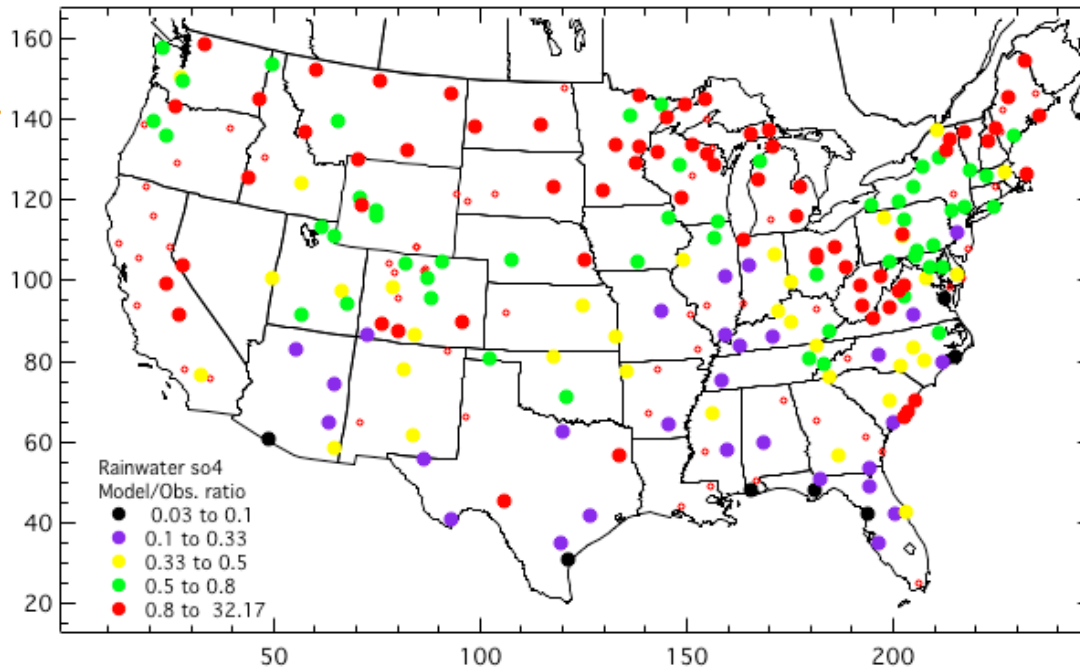
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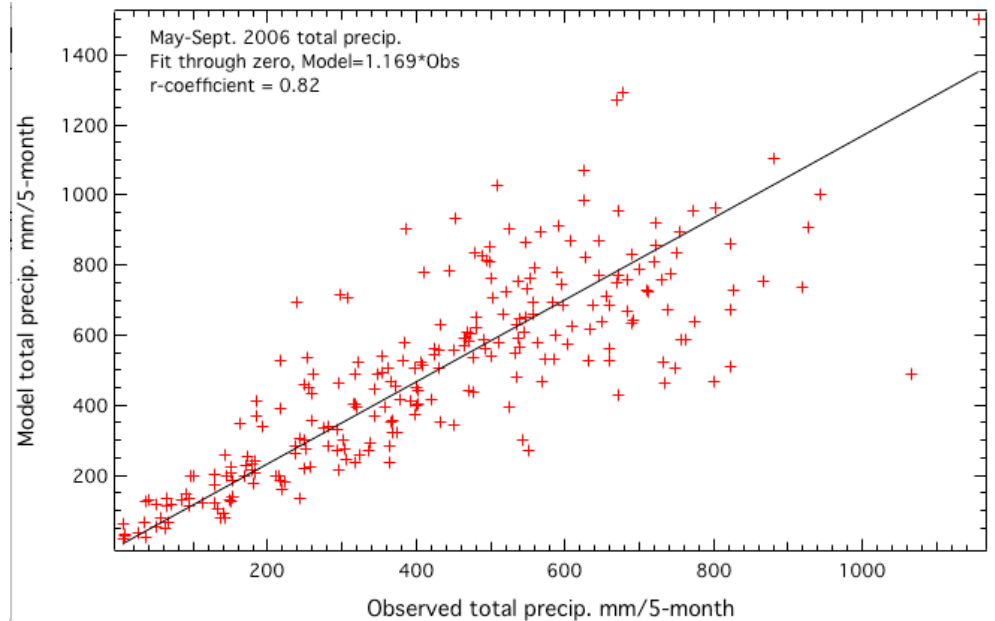
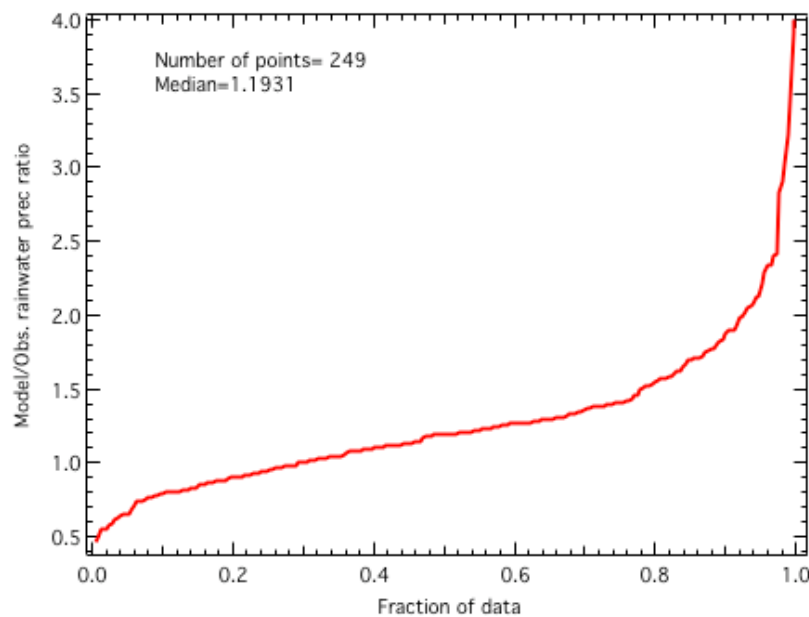
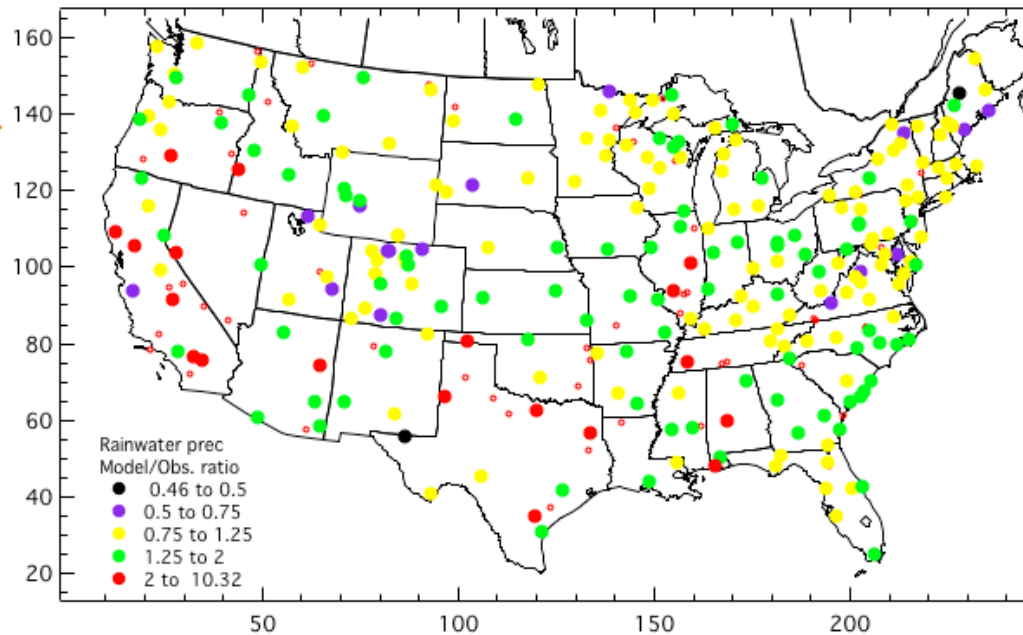
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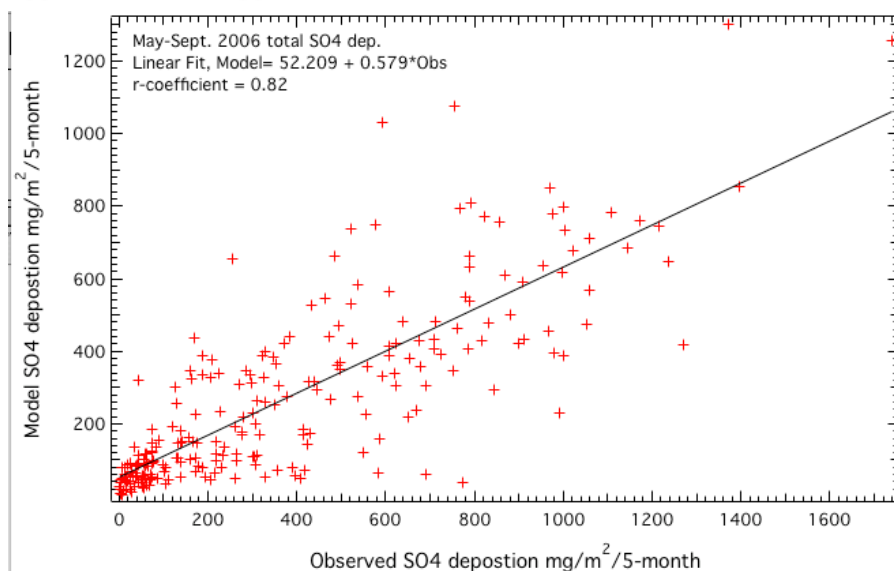
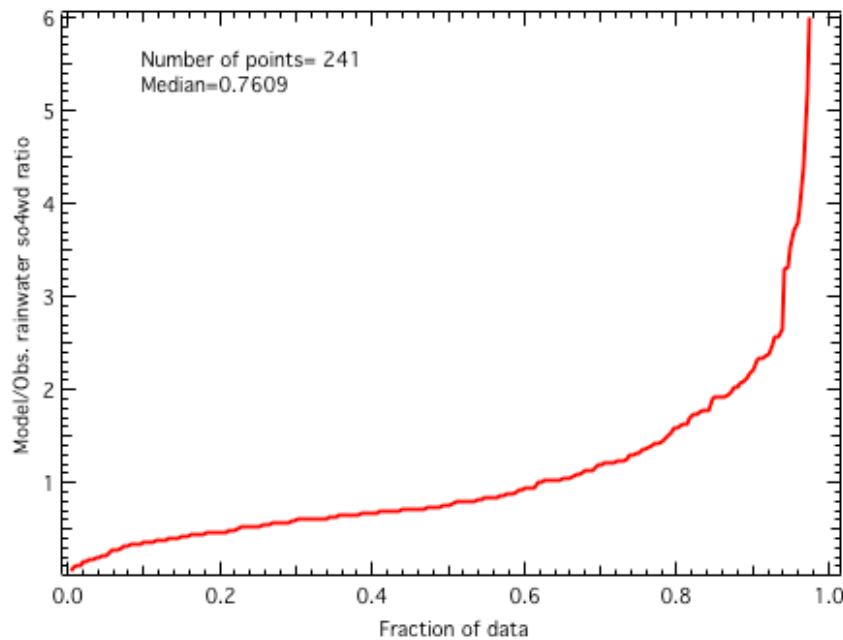
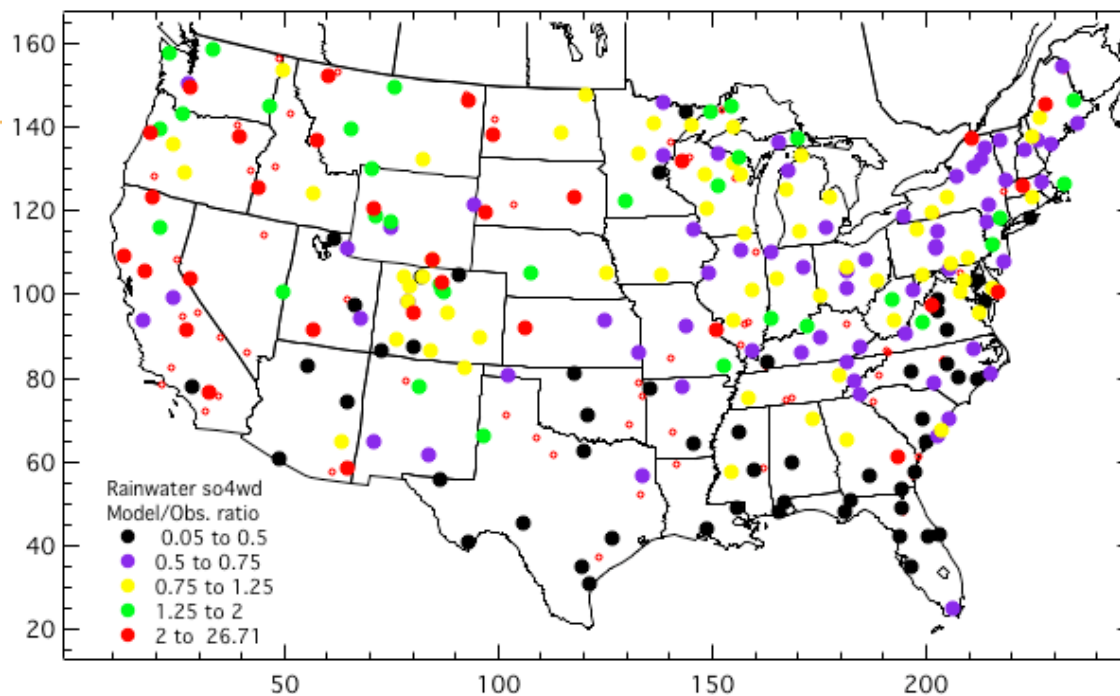
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## Model/Observed Total Rainfall (May through September 2006)

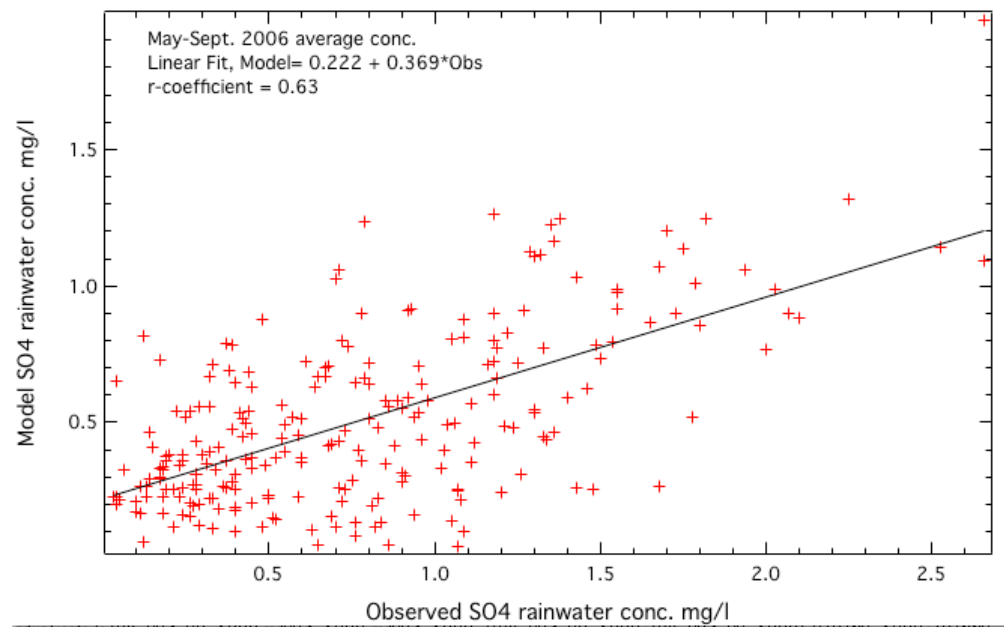
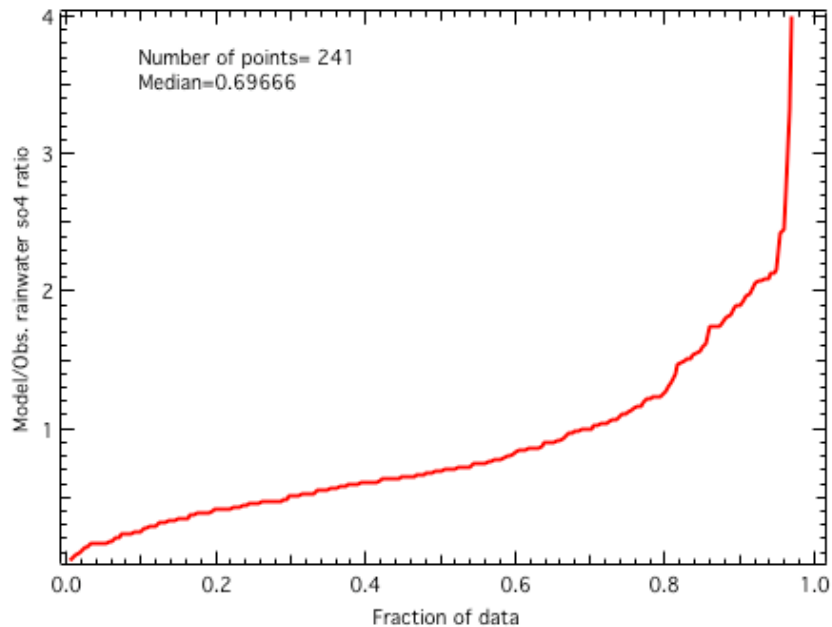
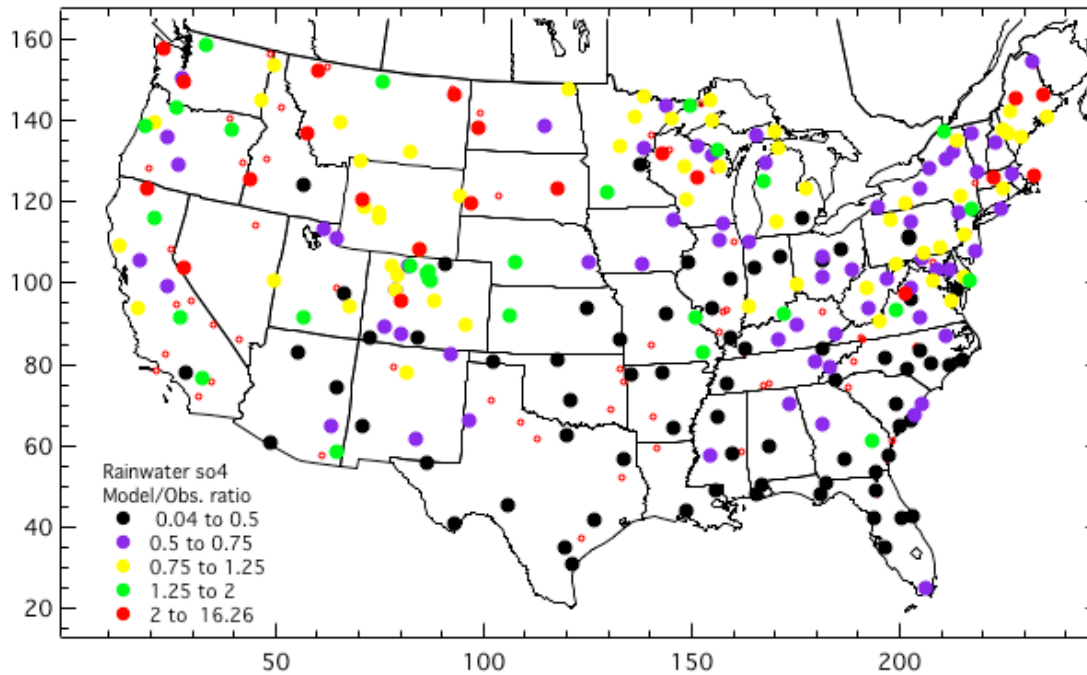


# Model/Observed SO4 wet deposition (May through September 2006)





# Model/Observed SO<sub>4</sub> rainwater concentration (May through September 2006)





## Model/Observed SO<sub>4</sub> wet deposition (August 2006)

