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Quantification of SO₂ emission rates of the Kīlauea volcano in Hawaii using S5P-TROPOMI satellite measurements





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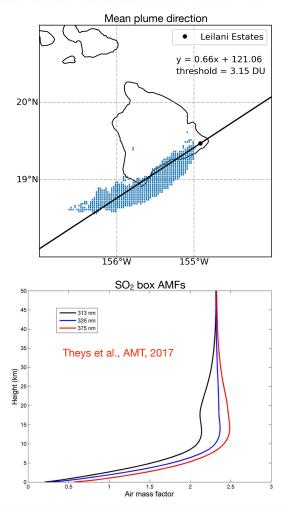
Basis of the study



- 2018: Lower East Rift Zone eruption (Kīlauea)
- TROPOMI provides high spatial resolution measurements of 3.5 x 7 km

Determination of the location and strength of SO₂ emissions

- application of the divergence to the mean SO₂ flux (Beirle et al., Sci. Adv., 2019)
- data preparation and basic analysis:
 - gridding & filtering
 - determination of plume altitude
 - AMF estimation







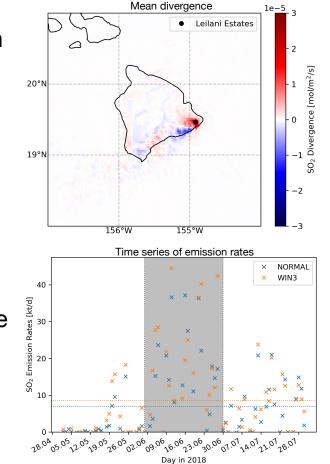
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Results and Discussion

- emission site can be determined very precisely in a high spatial resolution
- total SO2 amount emitted from May to August: 1386 kt
- daily emission rates of up to 45 kt/d have been found
- daily emission rates showing low values are likely to be caused by noise and omitted pixels (clouds) —> multi-day averaging solves the problem
- plume height and its properties hold a very large uncertainty and therefore have a decisive impact on the AMF and the derived emission rates

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