Drizzle measurements with the HSRL and the KAZR: sensitivity to assumptions

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HSRL-Radar particle size measurement

For droplets which are small compared to the radar wavelength but large compared to the lidar wavelength:

Radar scattering cross section = $\beta_{radar} \sim \langle V^2 \rangle \sim \langle D^6 \rangle$ ------ Rayleigh scattering Lidar extinction cross section = $\beta_{lidar} \sim \langle A \rangle \sim \langle D^2 \rangle$ ------ Geometric optics

Where:

<V²> = average volume squared of the particles <A> = average projected area of the particles

We can define:

$$D'_{eff} = \left(\frac{\lambda_{radar}}{\pi}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{3 \cdot \beta_{radar}}{4 \cdot k_w^2 \cdot \beta_{lidar}}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Where:

 λ_{radar} = radar wavelength k_w = dielectric constant of water



Assuming a gamma distribution of particle diameters:

$$N = a \int_0^\infty D^\alpha \cdot exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot (\frac{D}{D_m})^\gamma) \cdot dD$$

Where:

N = number of particles

D = particlle Diameter

D_m= mode diameter

The effective diameter prime can be written as:

$$D'_{eff} = \frac{\int D^{\alpha+6} \cdot exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{D}{D_m}^{\gamma}) \cdot dD}{\int D^{\alpha+2} \cdot exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{D}{D_m}^{\gamma}) \cdot dD} = \frac{\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{1}{\gamma} \cdot D_m \cdot \Gamma(\frac{\alpha+7}{\gamma})}{\Gamma(\frac{\alpha+3}{\gamma})}$$

Solving for the mode diameter, D_m:

$$D_m = D'_{eff} \cdot \left(\frac{\alpha}{\gamma}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \cdot \left(\frac{\Gamma(\frac{\alpha+3}{\gamma})}{\Gamma(\frac{\alpha+7}{\gamma})}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$



mode diameter, dist($\alpha_w = 1.0, \gamma_w = 3.0, \alpha_i = 1.0, \gamma_i = 1.0$) 17-Jul-20130.50

The radar weighted fall velocity, <V_{rf}>:

$$< V_{rf} >= \frac{\int V_f \cdot D^{\alpha+6} \cdot exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{D}{D_m}^{\gamma}) \cdot dD}{\int D^{\alpha+6} \cdot exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{D}{D_m}^{\gamma}) \cdot dD}$$

And the mass weighted fall velocity, <V_{mf}>:

$$< V_{mf} >= \frac{\int V_f \cdot D^{\alpha+3} \cdot exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{D}{D_m}^{\gamma}) \cdot dD}{\int D^{\alpha+3} \cdot exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{D}{D_m}^{\gamma}) \cdot dD}$$

Where the fall velocity, V_f , is computed from:

$$V_f = \frac{\eta}{\rho_{airD}} \left(\frac{\delta_0^2}{4} \left[\left(1 + C_1 X^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right]^2 - a_0 X^{b_0} \right)$$

Khovostyanov and Curry, JAS May 2005, Vol 62

And the Beard Number, X expressed in terms of particle area, volume and density along with the acceleration of gravity, air density, particle diameter and the dynamic viscosity:

$$X = \frac{2 \cdot volume \cdot \rho_{particle} \cdot \rho_{air} \cdot g \cdot D^2}{area \cdot \eta^2}$$







Spectral width vs deff_prime, z=0.2-->0.3, 17-Jul-2013 10:45--->11:15



Gamma = 1, 2, 3, 4











Extinction is derived from the slope of the molecular return Multiple scattering reduces apparent extinction



Diffraction peak $\theta = \lambda/D \sim 0.5$ micron/500 micron = 1 mr

Extinction derived from p(180)/4p vs direct extinction measurment



Lidar ratio = $4\pi/P(180)$



FIG. 3. Theoretical lidar ratio, S, at 905 nm as a function of median volume diameter for gamma distributions of droplet sizes with two different values of μ .

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Backscatter phase function for water drops averaged over size parameter intervals of 0.14. (Shipley 1978)