

Detection of Vertical Aerosol Distribution with Active Remote Sensing

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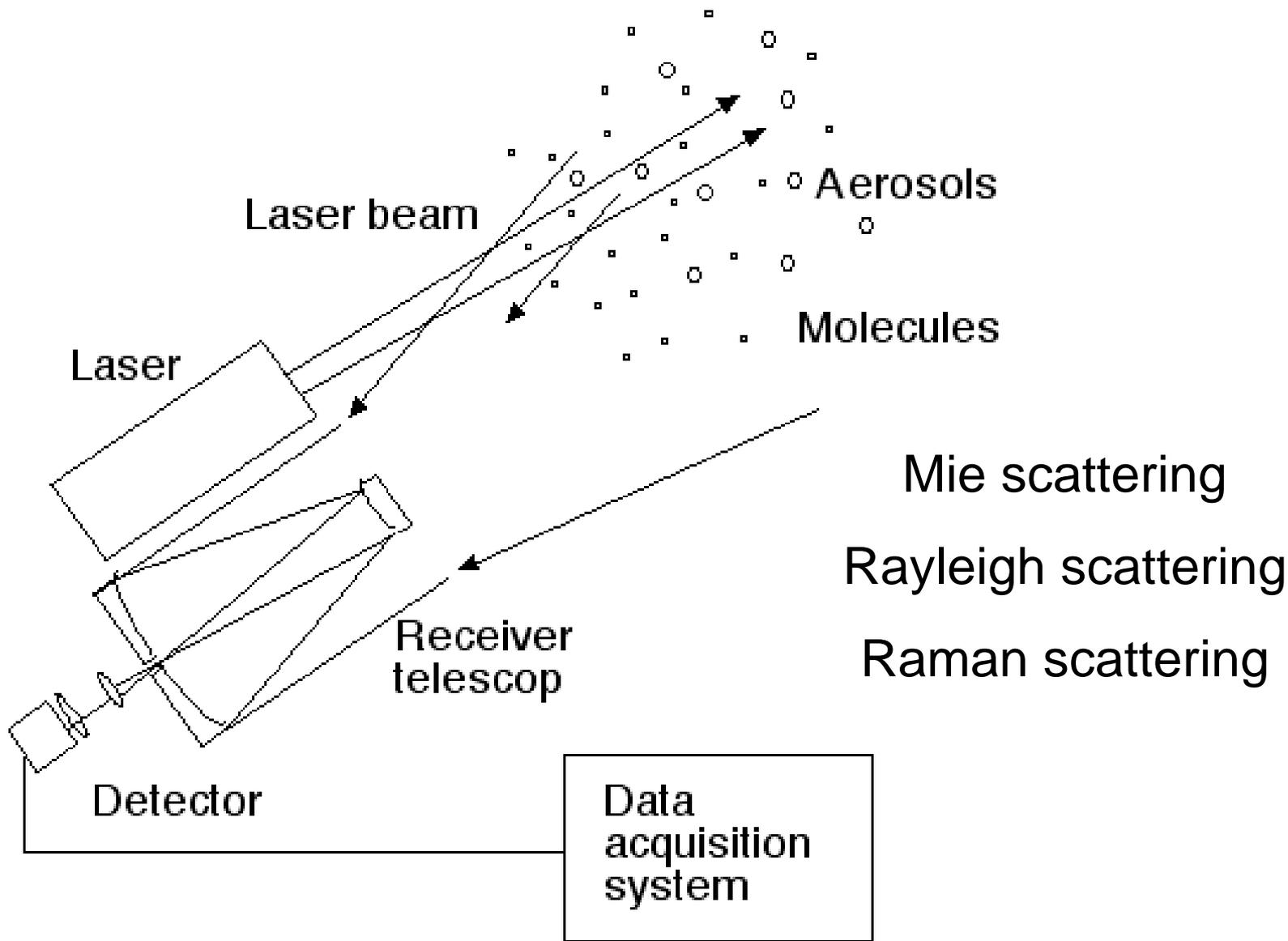
Lidar methods for measuring aerosols

Mie-scattering lidar

Raman scattering lidar

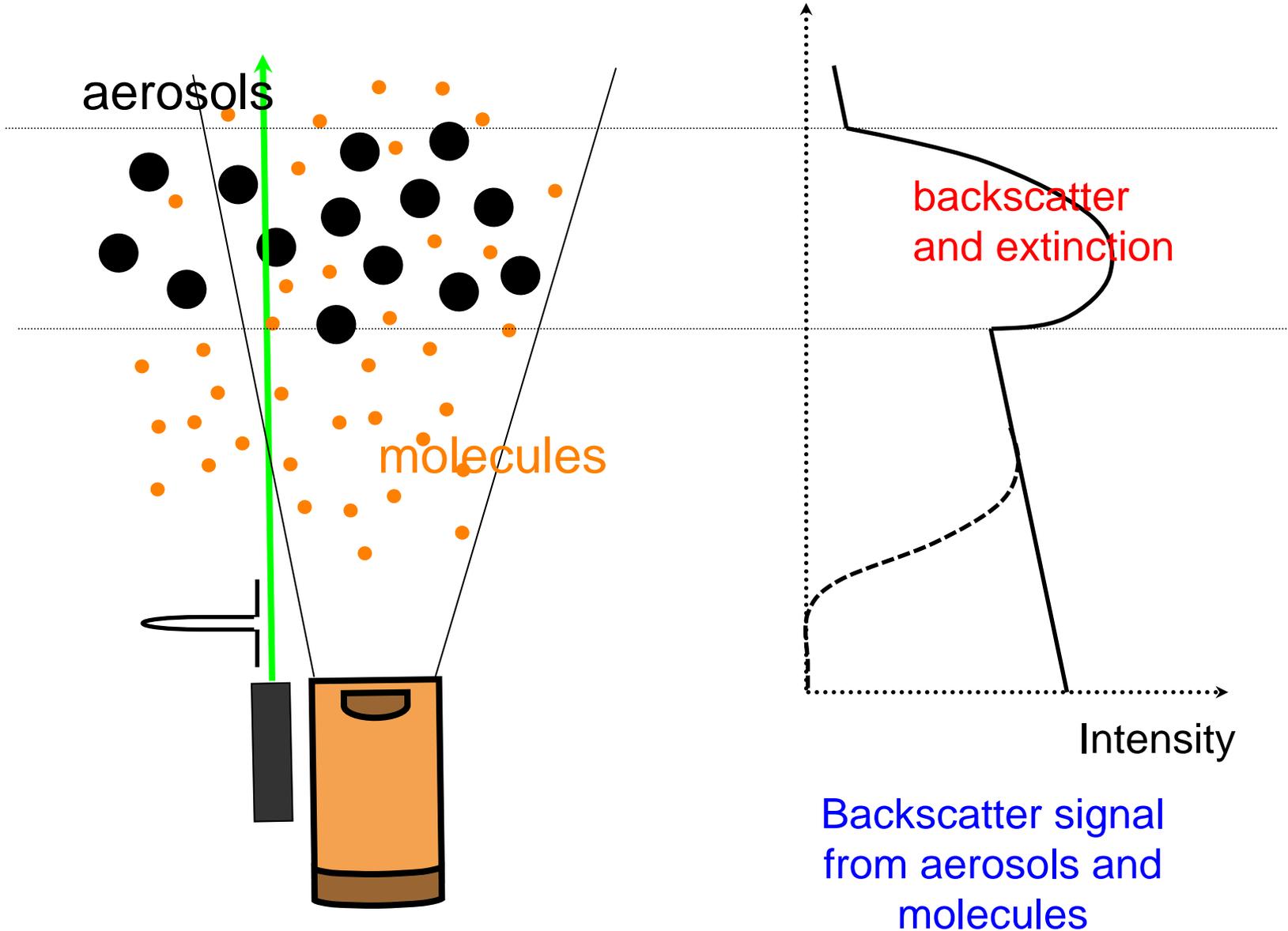
High-spectral resolution lidar (HSRL)

Problems in application of lidar data to
validation/assimilation of aerosol transport
models



LIDAR: Light Detection and Ranging

Mie scattering lidar



Lidar equation

$$P(r) = C Y(r) \frac{\beta(r)}{r^2} \exp(-2\tau)$$

$P(r)$: received power, r : range, C : system constant

$Y(r)$: geometrical form factor,

$\beta(r)$: backscattering coefficient ($\beta(r) = \beta_1(r) + \beta_2(r)$)

1: aerosol 2: molecule

$$\tau = \int_0^r \alpha(r') dr'$$

$\alpha(r)$: extinction coefficient ($\alpha(r) = \alpha_1(r) + \alpha_2(r)$)

β_2 and α_2 are known

β_1 and α_1 are the parameters to be derived

Lidar ratio (extinction-to-backscattering ratio)

$$S_1 = \alpha_1 / \beta_1$$

S_1 is dependent on aerosol type (refractive index, size distribution, and shape)

$$S_1 \sim 20 - 100 \text{ sr}$$

Klett's Method (single-component backward solution, 1981)

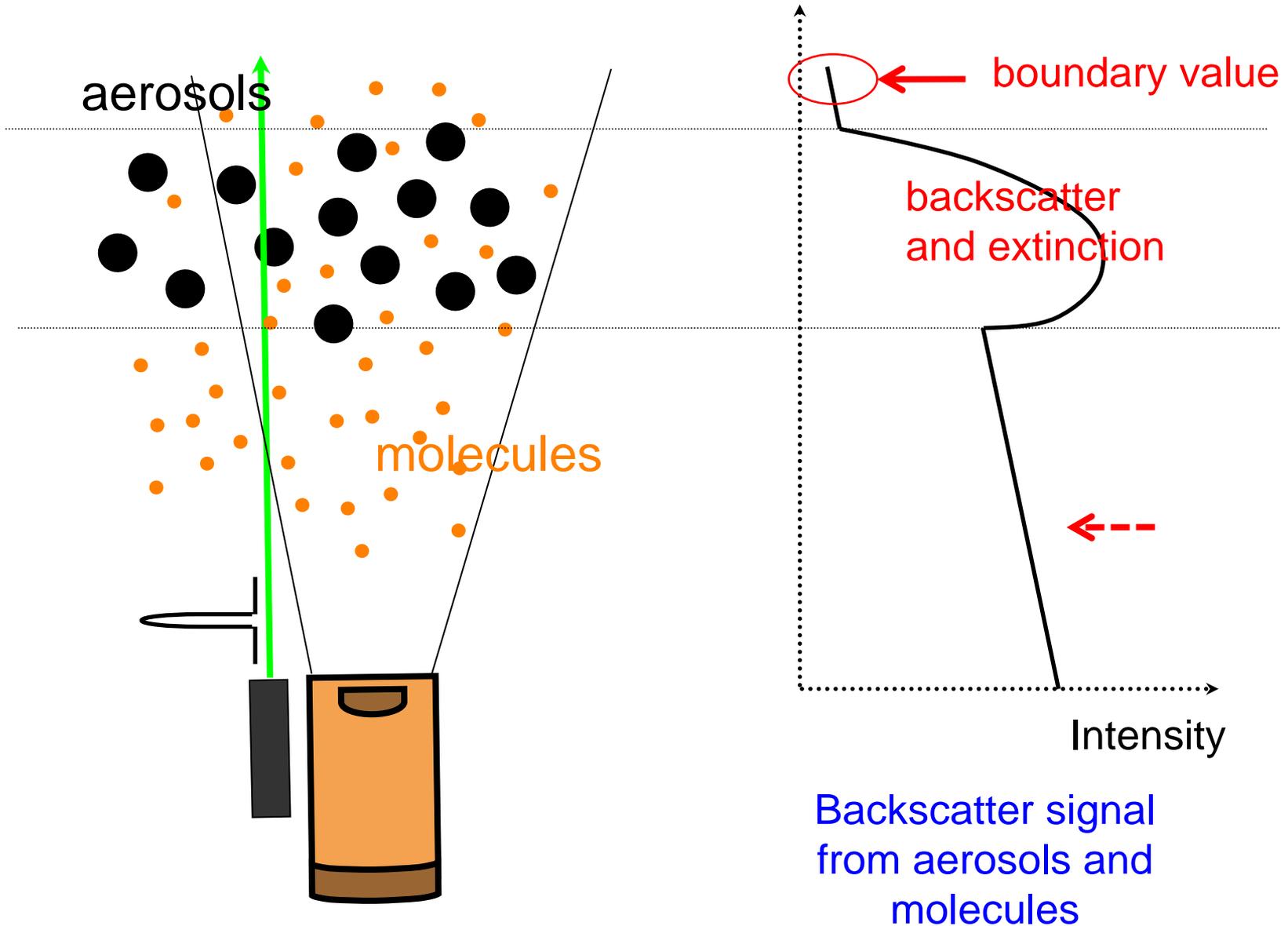
Fernald's method (two-component backward solution, 1984)

$$\beta(r) = -\beta_2(r) + \frac{X(r) \exp\left[2\left(\frac{S_1}{S_2} - 1\right) \int_r^{r_m} \alpha_2(r') dr'\right]}{\frac{X(r_m)}{\beta_1(r_m) + \beta_2(r_m)} + 2S_1 \int_r^{r_m} X(r') \exp\left[2\left(\frac{S_1}{S_2} - 1\right) \int_{r'}^{r_m} \alpha_2(r'') dr''\right] dr'}$$

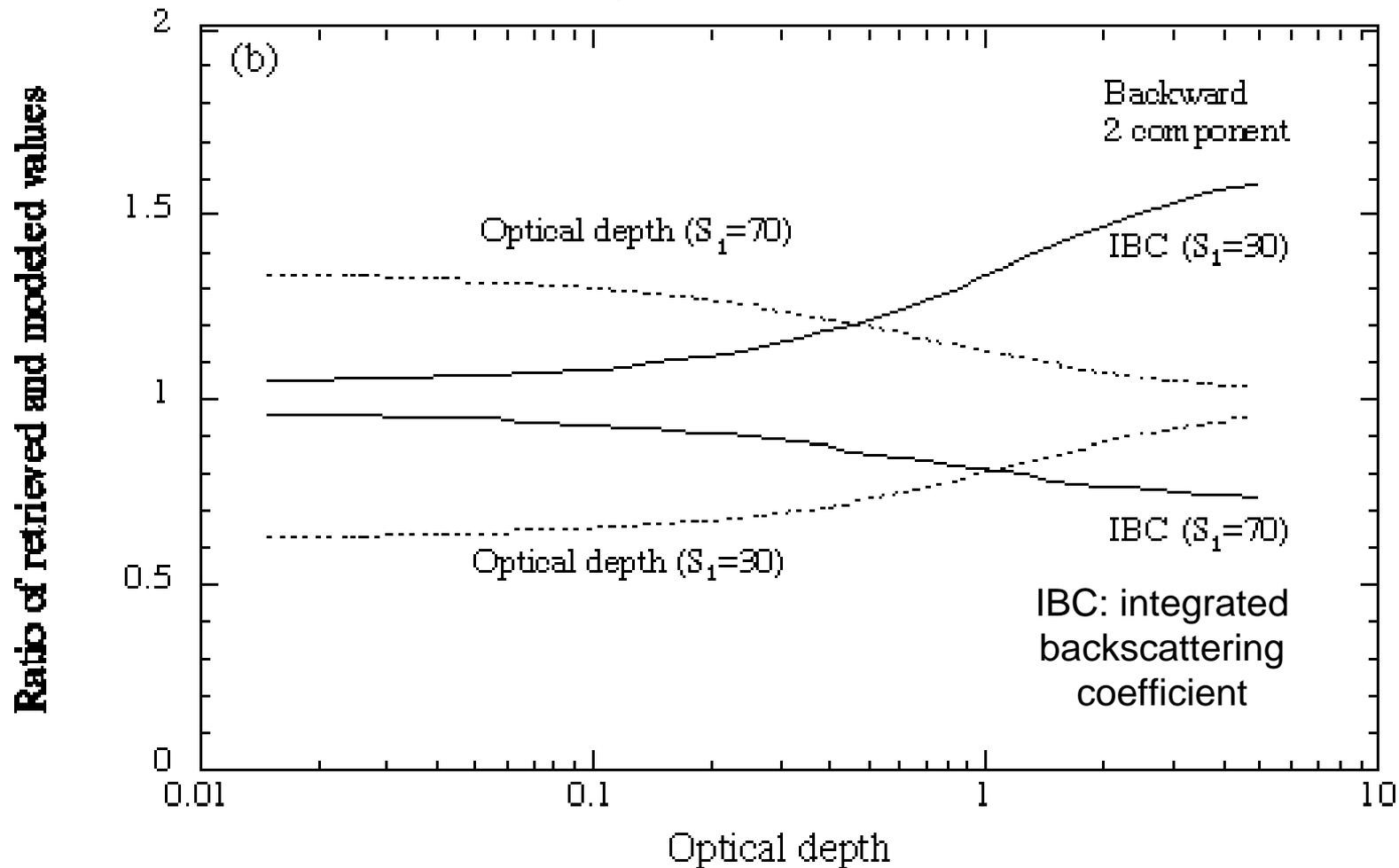
$$\alpha_1(r) = -\frac{S_1}{S_2} \alpha_2(r) + \frac{X(r) \exp\left[2\left(\frac{S_1}{S_2} - 1\right) \int_r^{r_m} \alpha_2(r') dr'\right]}{\frac{X(r_m)}{\alpha_1(r_m) + \frac{S_1}{S_2} \alpha_2(r_m)} + 2 \int_r^{r_m} X(r') \exp\left[2\left(\frac{S_1}{S_2} - 1\right) \int_{r'}^{r_m} \alpha_2(r'') dr''\right] dr'}$$

$$X(r) = P(r)r^2$$

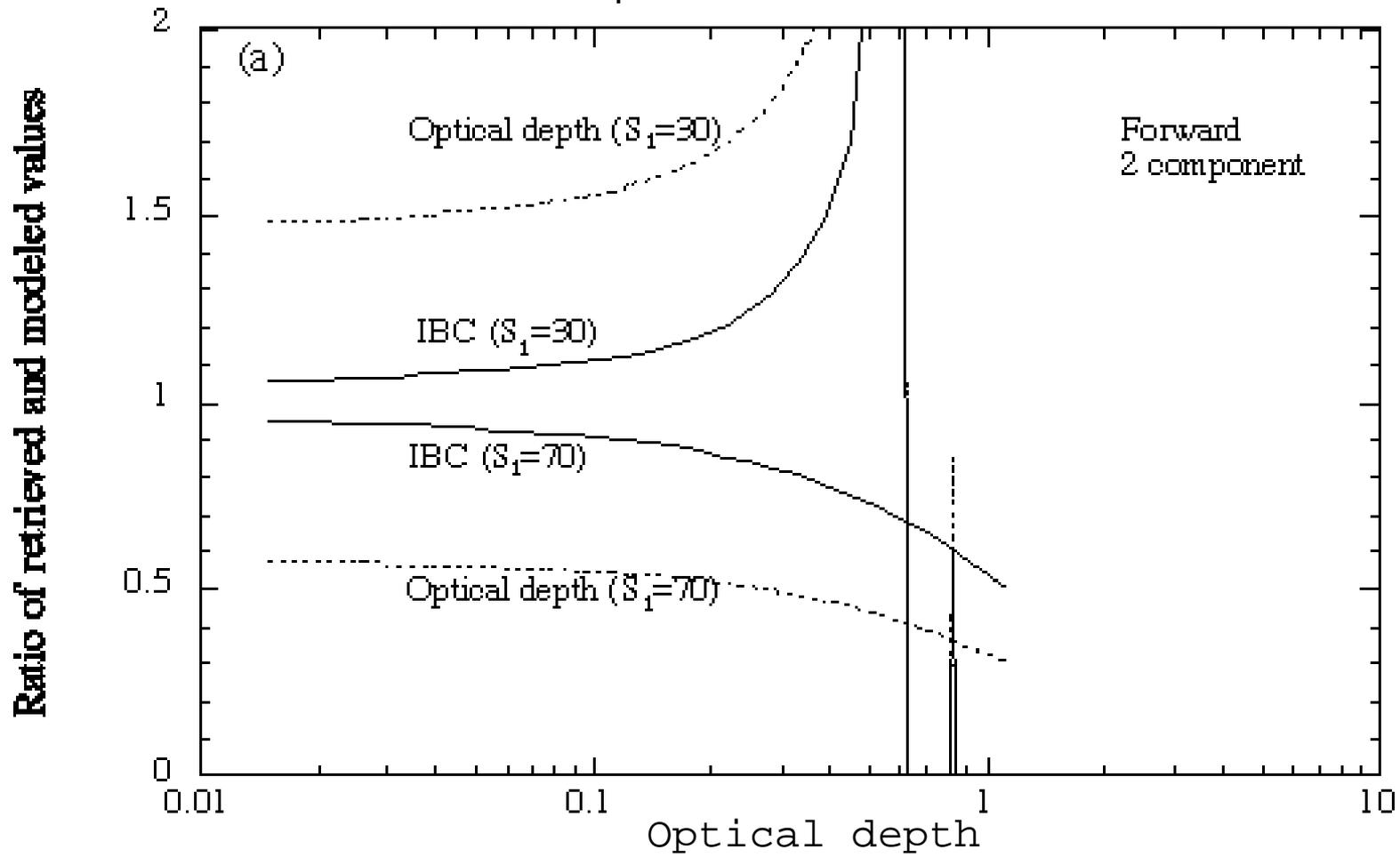
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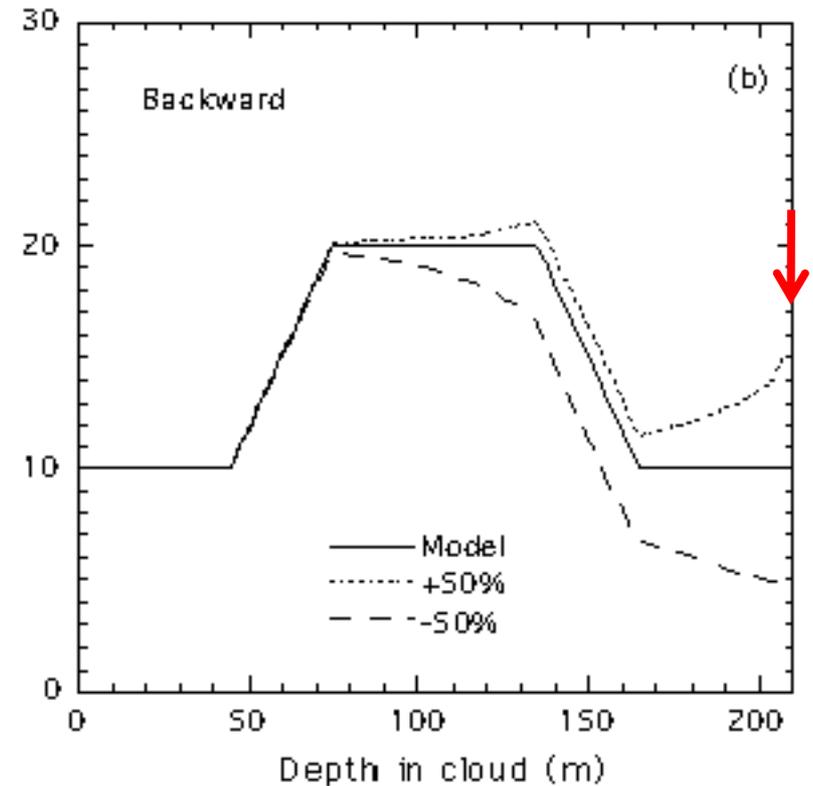
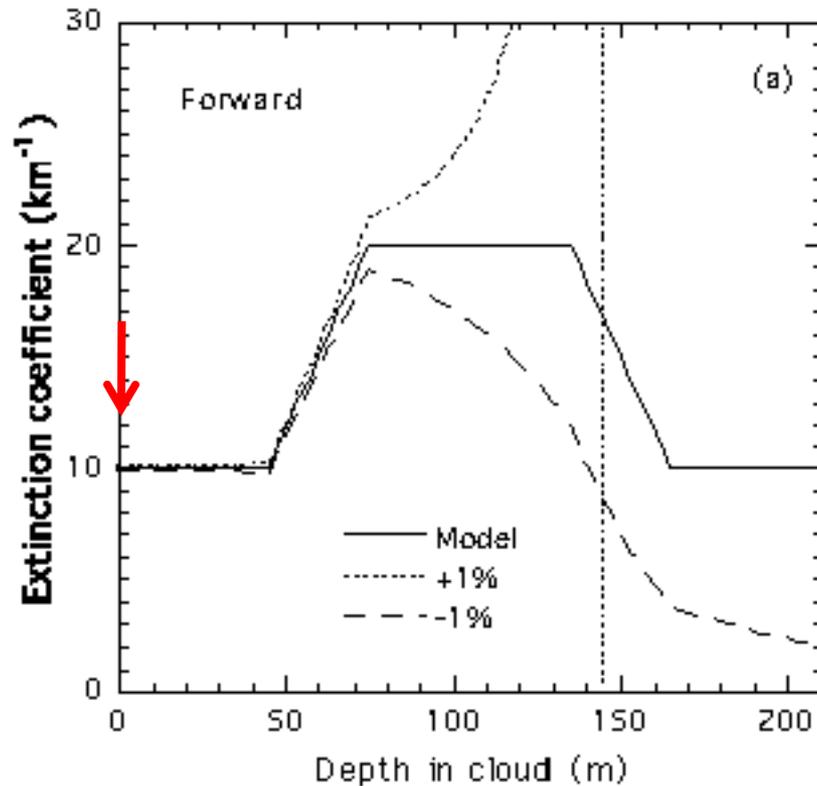


True $S_1 = 50$ sr



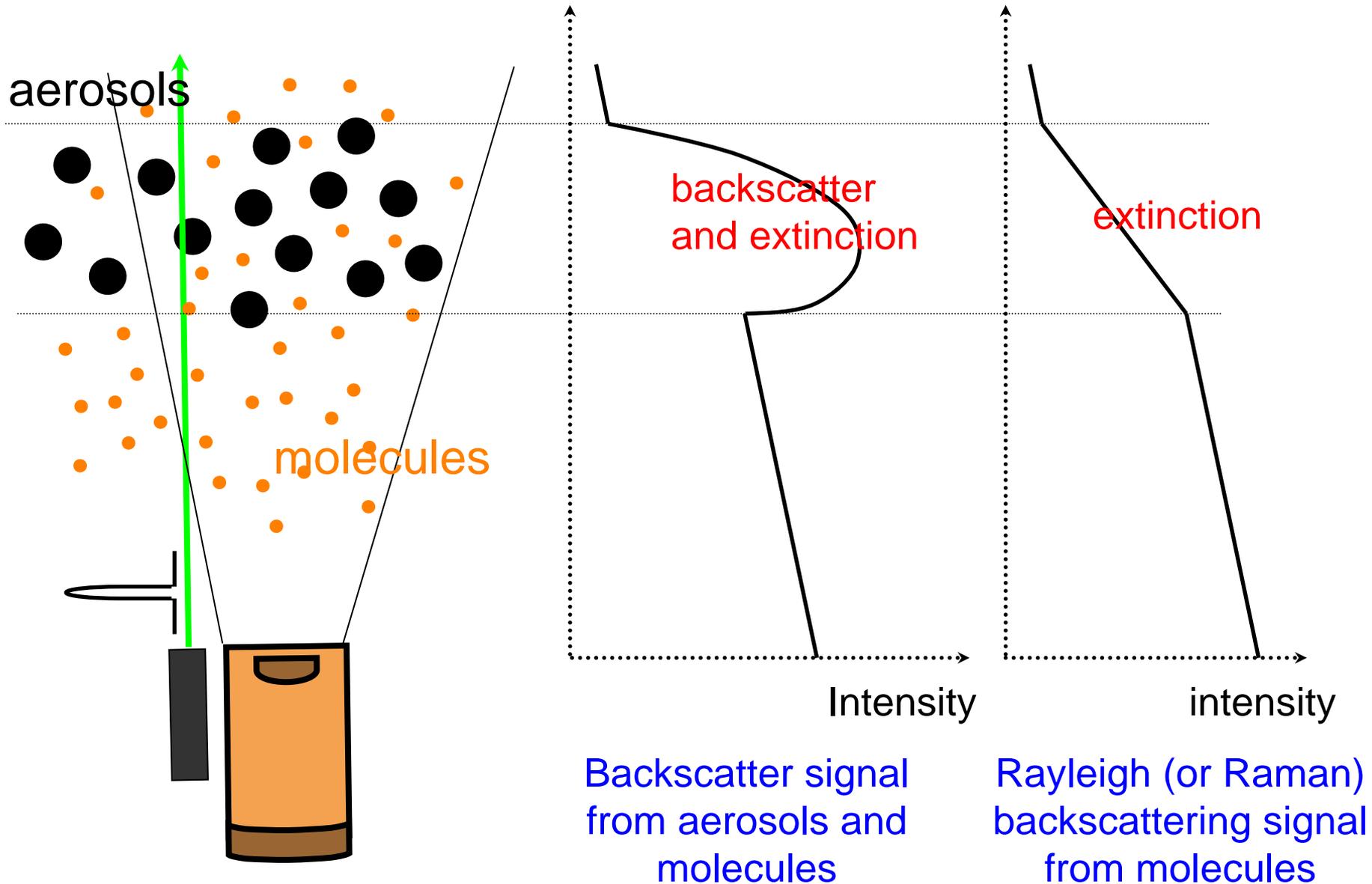
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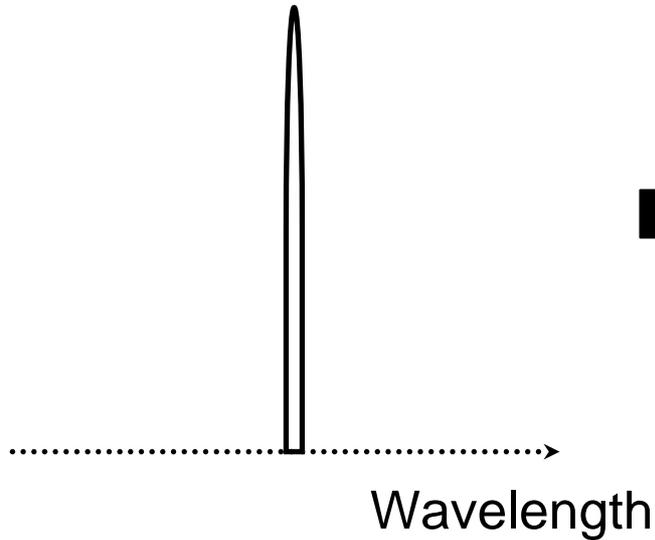
Boundary error propagation in the forward and backward Klett's solutions for a modeled dense cloud.

Concept of HSRL (or Raman lidar)



HSRL method (1)

single longitudinal-
mode laser

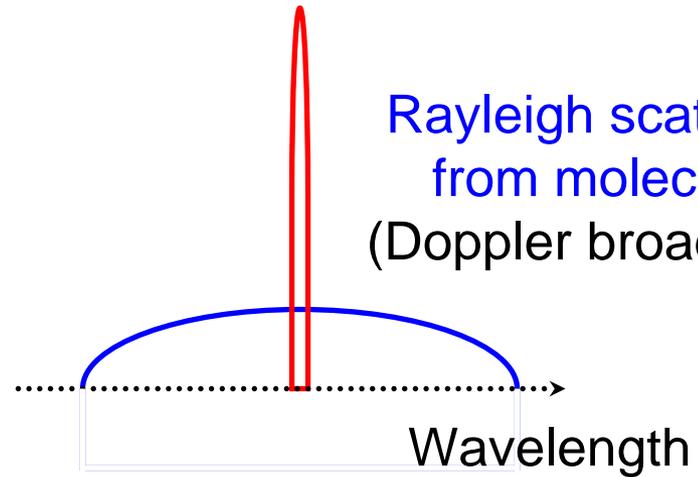


Laser spectrum



Mie scattering
from aerosols

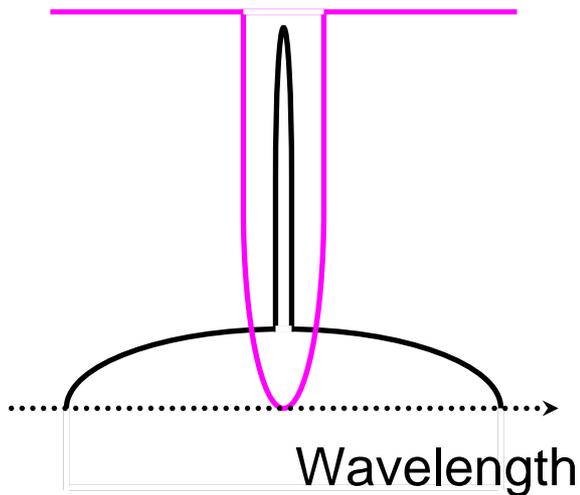
Rayleigh scattering
from molecules
(Doppler broadened)



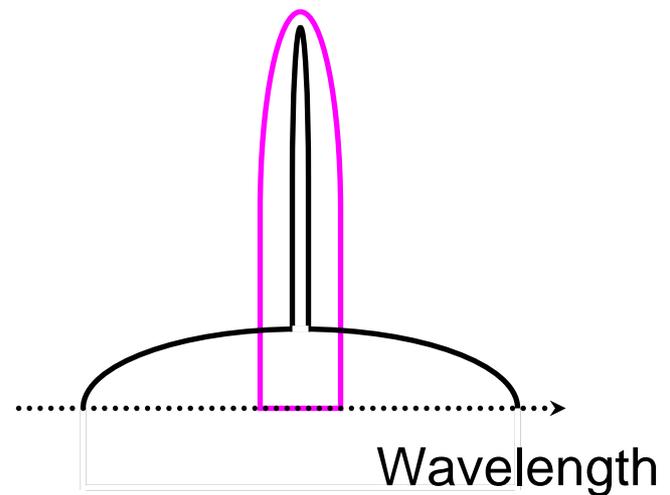
Spectrum of scattered light

HSRL method (2)

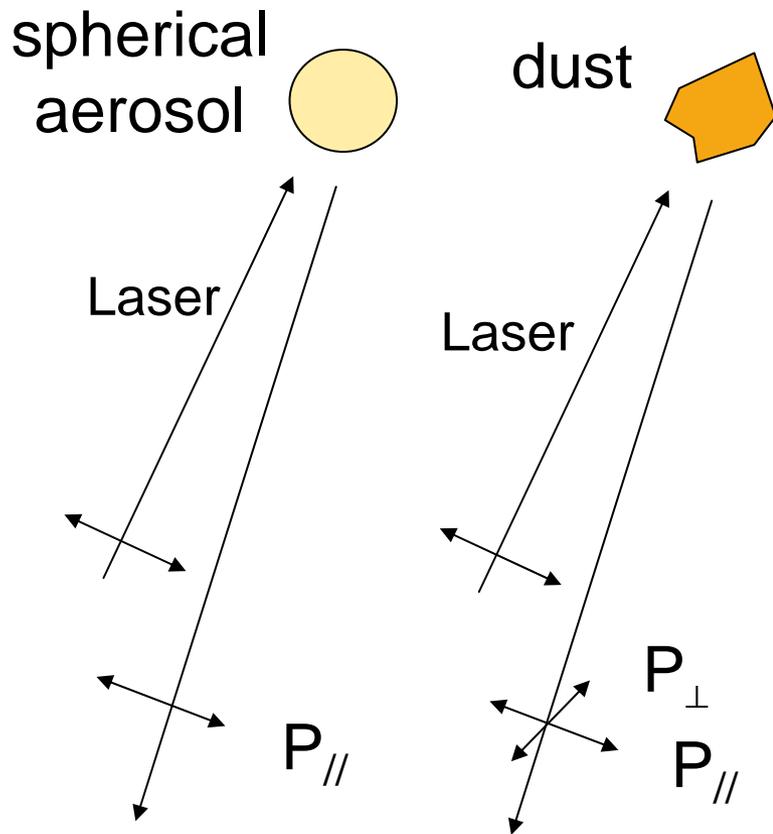
Molecular filter (Iodine)
(532 nm)



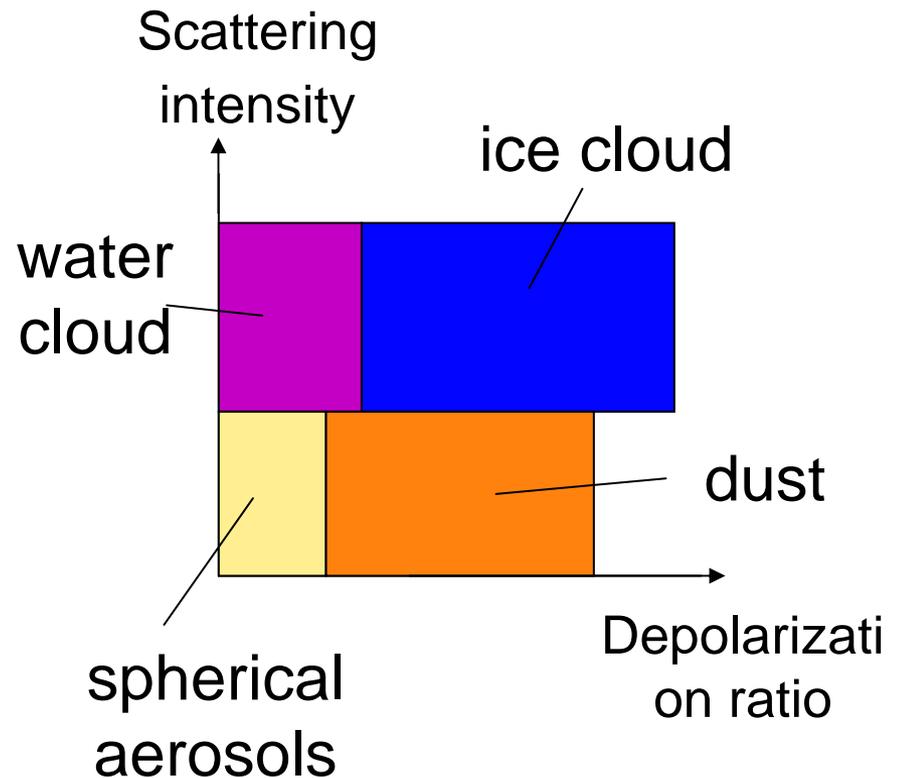
Fabry-Perot interferometer
(355nm)



Methods for separating Mie-scattering and
Rayleigh-scattering signals



Volume depolarization ratio $\delta_{vol} = P_{\perp}/P_{//}$



Depolarization ratio and target classification method

Particle depolarization ratio must be used in quantitative analysis.

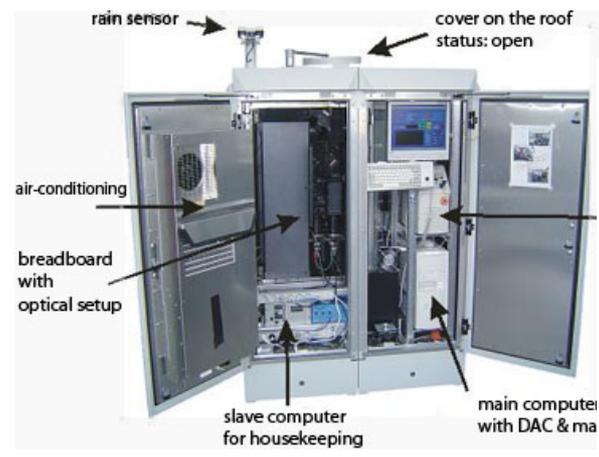
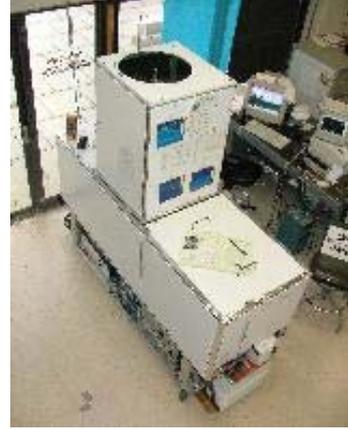
Example of ground-based aerosol lidars

$2\alpha+3\beta+2\delta$



High-Spectral-Resolution lidar

$1\alpha+1\beta+1\delta$



Raman lidar

$2\alpha+3\beta$



$(1\alpha+)+2\beta+1\delta$



α :extinction
 β :backscatter
 δ :depolarization

$1\beta+1\delta$



Mie-scattering lidar



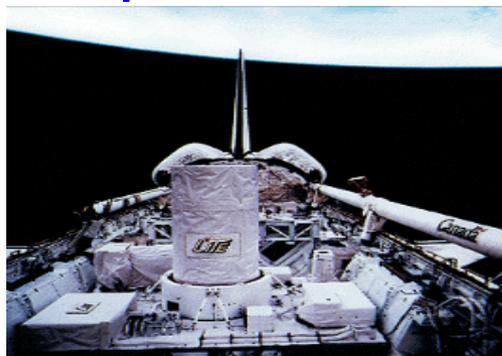
1β



(Ceilometer)

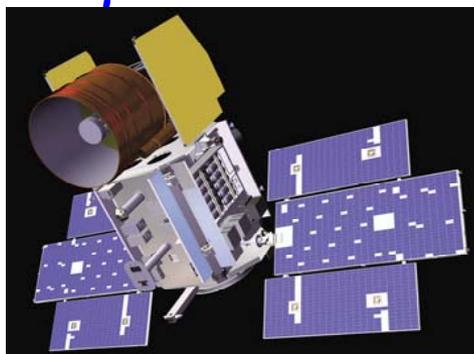
Space-borne lidars

3β Mie Lidar



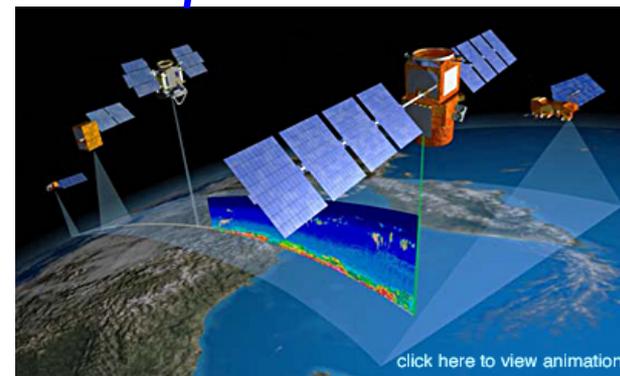
LITE/STS-64
(NASA, 1994)

2β Mie Lidar



GLAS/ICESAT
(NASA, 2003-2009)

$2\beta+1\delta$ Mie Lidar



CALIOP/CALIPSO
(NASA, 2006--)

$1\alpha+1\beta$ HSRL



ALADIN/ADM-Aeolus
(ESA, 2013?)

$1\alpha+1\beta+1\delta$ HSRL



ATLID/EarthCARE
(JAXA/ESA, 2015)

α : extinction
 β : backscatter
 δ : depolarization

Parameters derived from lidar data

Mie-scattering lidar

- Attenuated backscattering coefficient, volume depolarization ratio
- Backscattering coefficient (extinction coefficient) with an assumption of S_1 , particle depolarization ratio
- Boundary layer height, cloud base (top) height
- (Estimates of the extinction coefficients of non-spherical and spherical aerosols (a method used by NIES))

Raman lidar

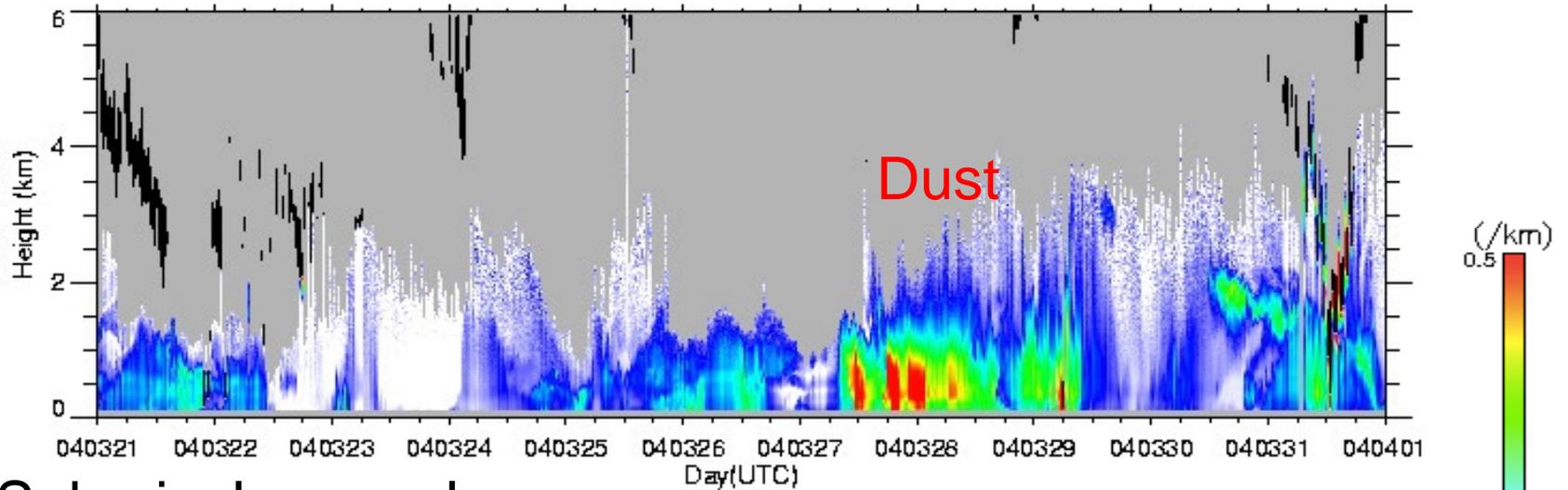
- Backscattering coefficient and extinction coefficient
- ($2\alpha+3\beta$: Single scattering albedo and effective radius (Müller et al.)
- (Estimates of the extinction coefficients of aerosol components (dust, sulfate, BC, sea-salt,,) (a method used by NIES)

High-Spectral-Resolution lidar

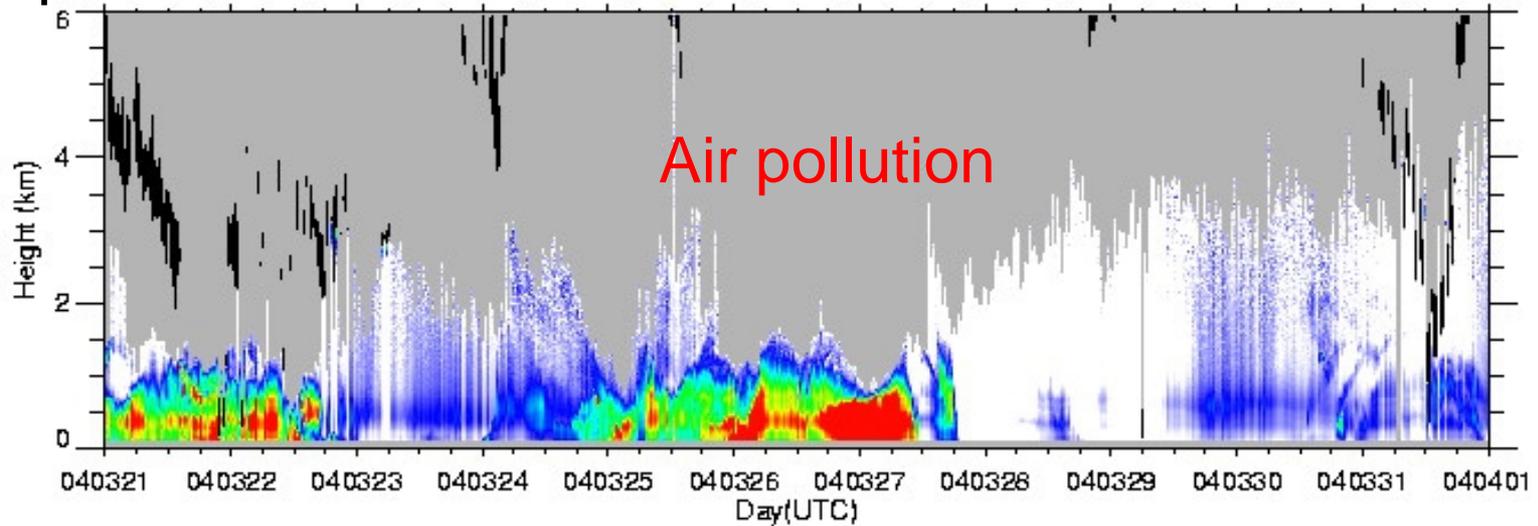
same as in Raman lidar with better SNR

Dust

March 21-31, 2004 Beijing

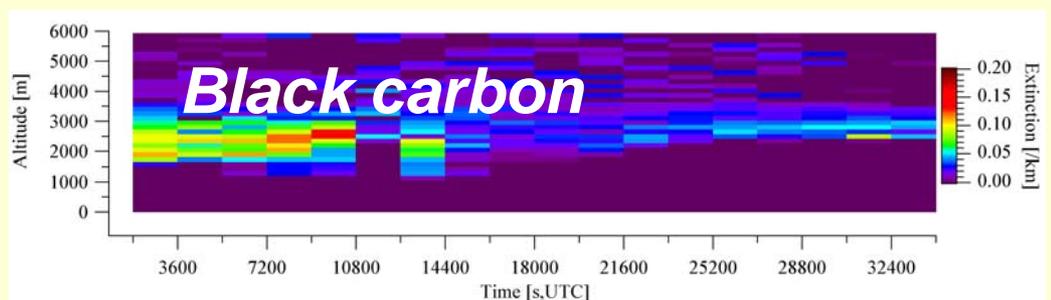
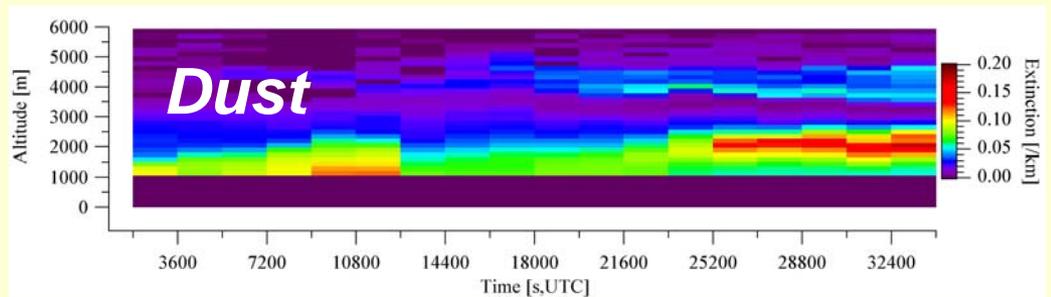
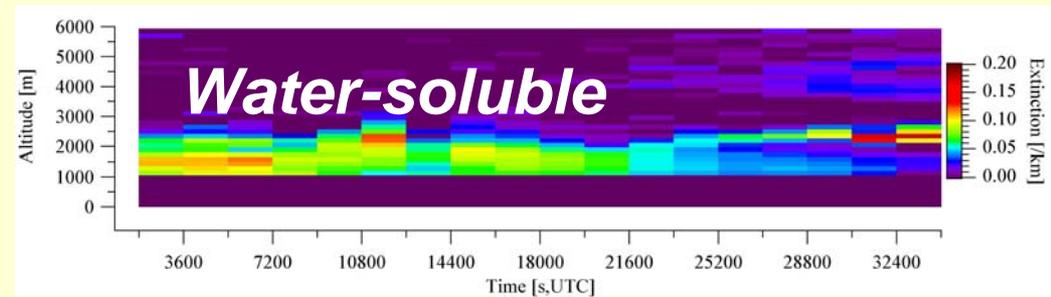
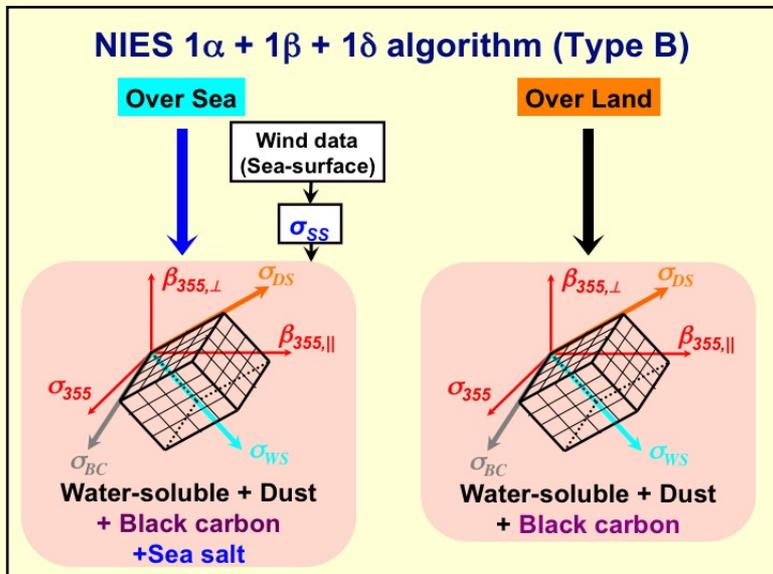
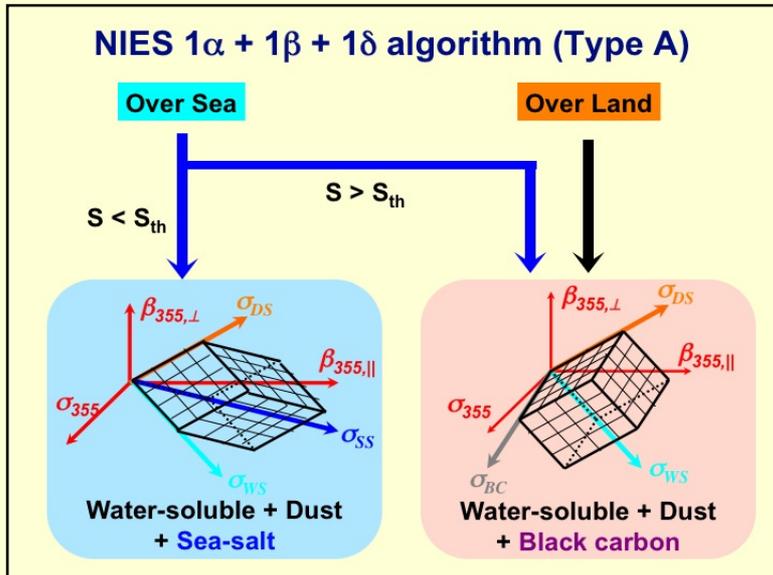


Spherical aerosols



Method for estimating the extinction coefficients of dust and spherical aerosols using the depolarization ratio

Demonstration of $1\alpha + 1\beta + 1\delta$ algorithm



- $1\alpha(532)+1\beta(532)+1\delta(532)$ data measured with HSRL and MSL on Apr. 8 2005 were used in the analysis.
- The aerosol properties at 532 nm used in $2\beta+1\delta$ algorithm were used.

Problems in application to validation/assimilation of aerosol transport models

Mie-scattering lidar

-Attenuated backscattering coefficient (Good for space-borne lidar (e.g. Sekiyama et al.)) (The use of attenuated backscatter from ground-based lidar data is difficult because the model must reproduce the lower aerosols accurately.)

-Backscattering coefficient (extinction coefficient) with an assumption of S_1 (Reasonable. (Better with additional AOD data))

-Estimates of the extinction coefficients of non-spherical and spherical aerosols (a method used by NIES) (useful for analysis of aerosol events)

Raman lidar

The signal-to-noise ratio (especially in the daytime) and the temporal resolution may not be sufficient.

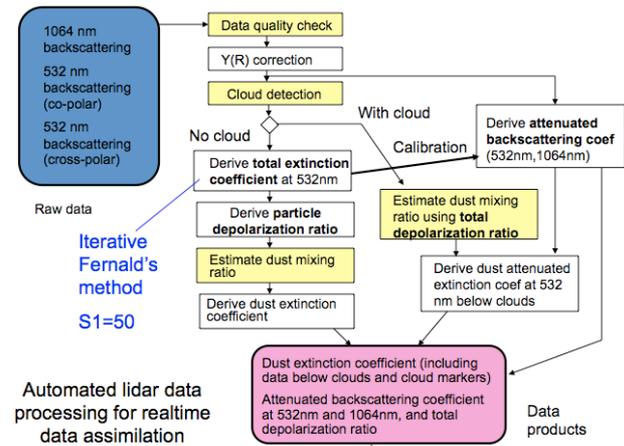
High-Spectral-Resolution lidar

Ideal.

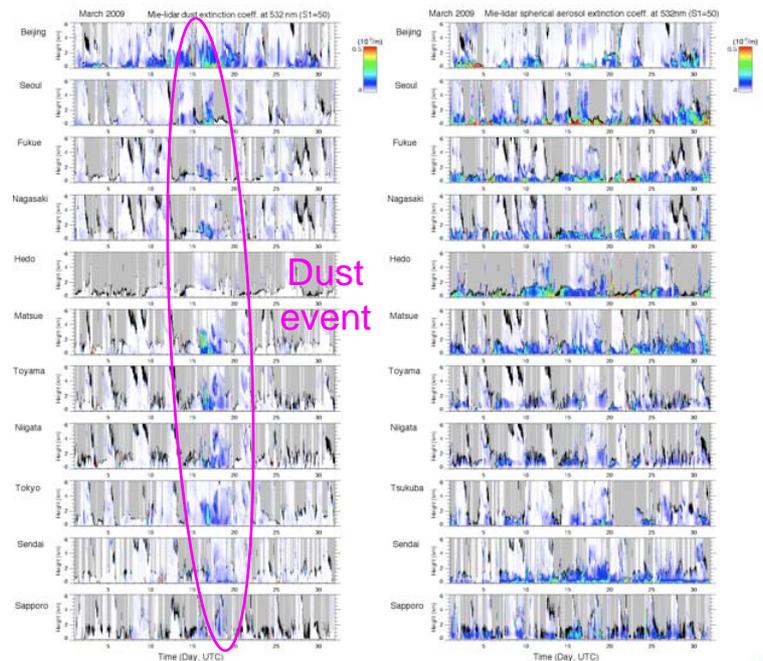
(NIES Lidar Network)



Two-wavelength (1064nm, 532nm) Mie-scattering lidar with polarization channels at 532nm. (Raman receivers (607nm) are being added at several observation sites.)

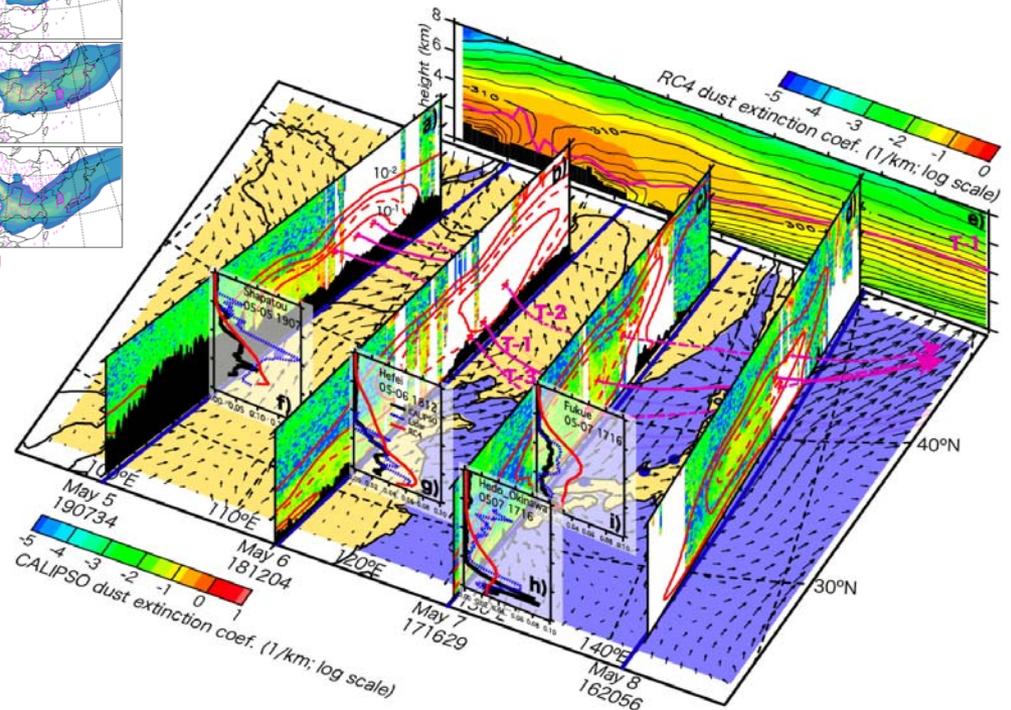
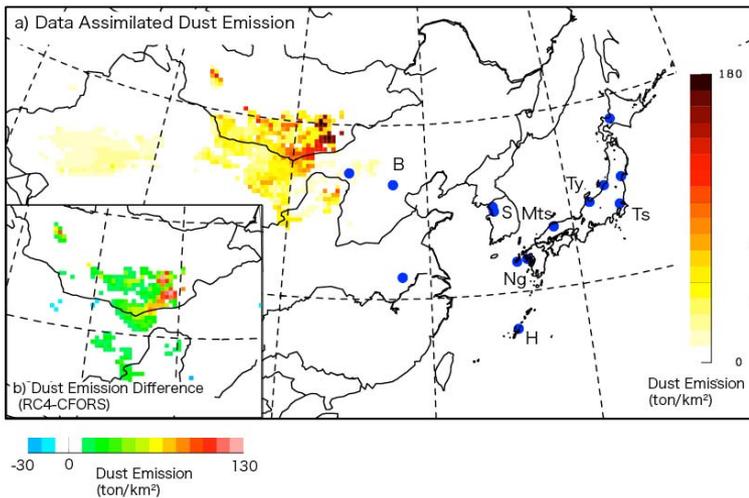
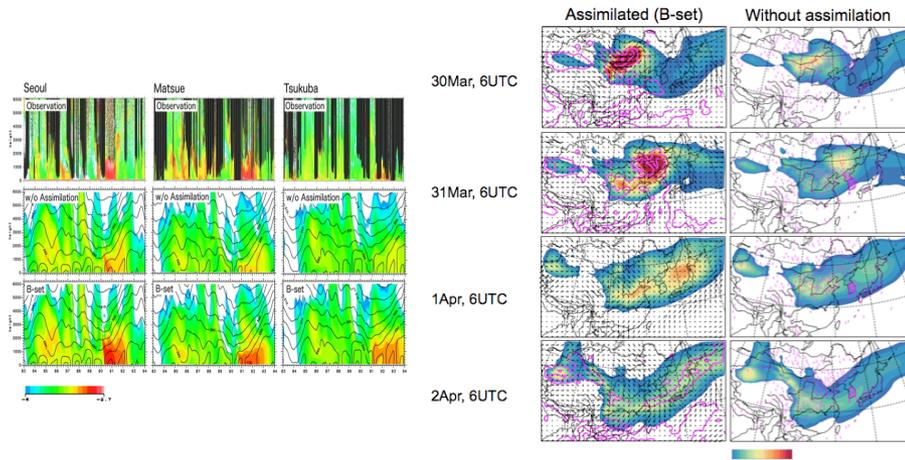


Realtime data processing system



Extinction coefficient estimates of dust (left) and spherical aerosols (right) for primary locations (April 2009).

4D-Var data assimilation system for Asian dust



Comparison of the assimilated dust transport model with CALIPSO data (Uno et al. 2008, Hara et al. 2009)

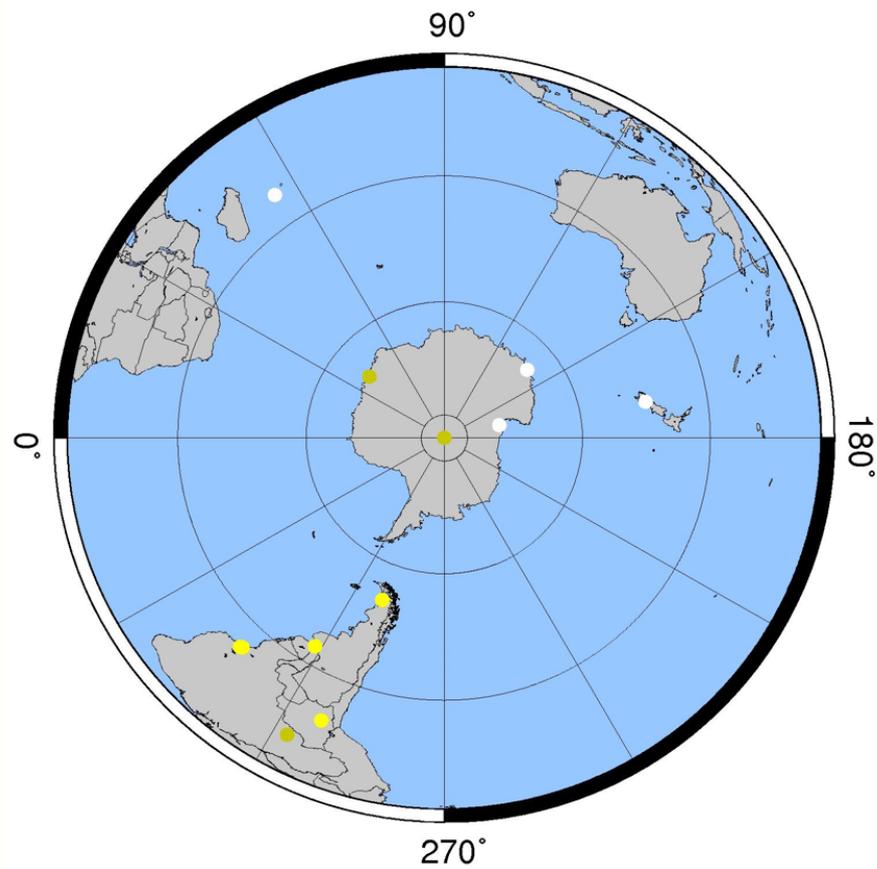
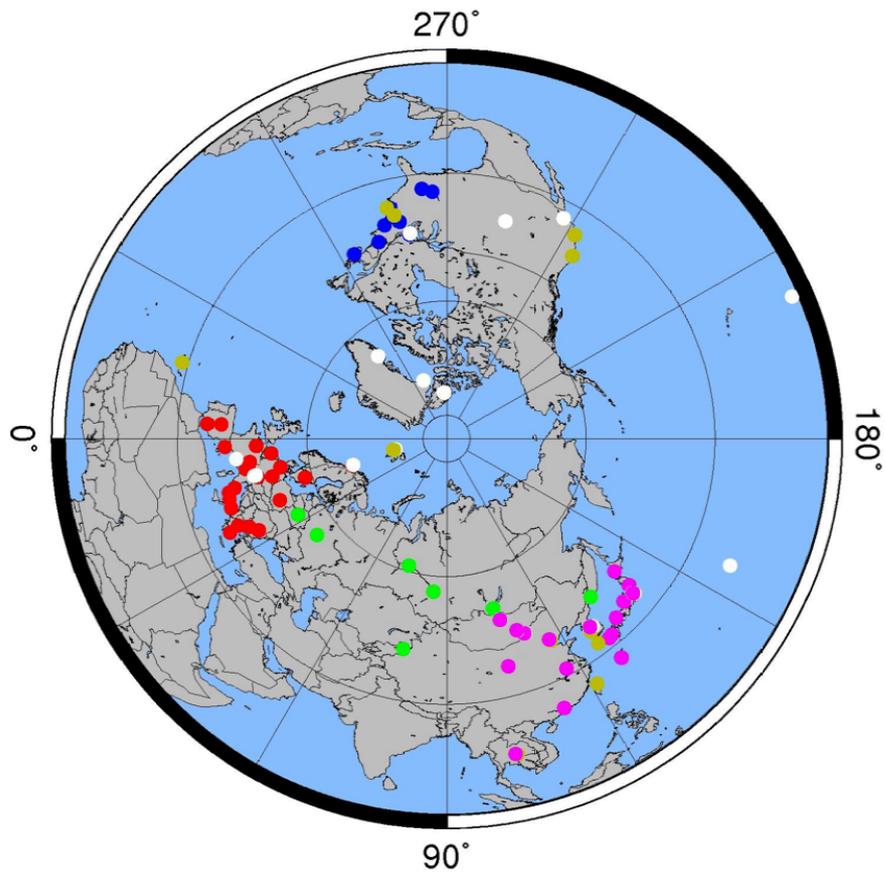
4DVAR data assimilation of Asian dust using the NIES lidar network data (Yumimoto et al. 2007, 2008)

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Conclusion

- For ground-based Mie-scattering lidars, it is reasonable to use the backscatter coefficient (or extinction coefficient) retrieval (with constant S_1 assumption). It is better to use additional AOD data.
- It is not easy to use the attenuated backscattering coefficient for ground-based lidar, because it is difficult to reproduce aerosols in lower altitudes with models.
- High temporal resolution extinction and backscattering coefficient data will be available from HSRLs.
- Extinction coefficient estimates for aerosol components (dust, sea salt, sulfate, BC) would be useful for event analysis.

GAW Aerosol Lidar Observation Network (GALION)



Thank you