

Absorbing aerosols, influence of the microscopic properties on the direct radiative forcing

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Introduction

Objective

We study the influence of aerosol microscopic properties (size, SSA, refractive index) on the aerosol radiative forcing.

We use the spectral radiative forcing experiments MOMO.

We focus on

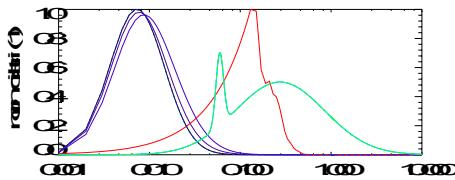
MOMO

MOMO (Matrix Method)
developed by the
Fischer and Graßmann groups

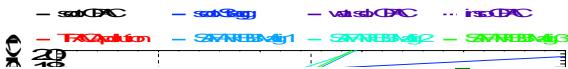
Radiative transfer experiments (R)
Band = [200 – 4000 nm]

Inputs

- Aerosol layer [1 – 2 km]; AC dark ocean, SZA = 30°
- Different aerosols:
 - **Soot OPAC:** Pure Soot of OPAC (Klett et al. 1993) from Hitran 2012 (Massie and Hedges 2012)
 - **Urban OPAC:** OPAC Urban aerosol mixture (soot + water soluble + insoluble)
 - **OPAC 50% soot:** OPAC mixture with 50% soot.
 - **TRAQQA pollution:** P6 Valley pollution aerosol observed over sea during TRAQQA campaign.
 - **magi 1, magi 2, magi 3:** Biomass Burning aerosol observed during SAFARI by Magi and Redemann 2007 (in Hitran 2012).
- Size distributions:



Spectral variations

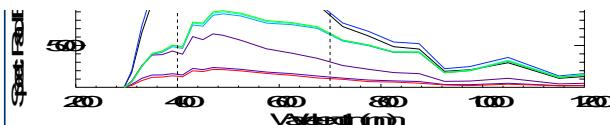


Forcings and add. heating rates (spect. integr.)

	Aerosol radiative forcing in Wm-2 for SZA = 30°		
	ATMO	TOA	SURF
Aerosol	.6	.9	.8
TRAQQA	.4	.5	.9
SAFARI 2007	.1	.1	.9
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Comments (spectral variation + integrated forcing)

- Rad efficiency = Rad forcing / AOT
- Spect rad efficiency = non integrated on the wvl
- Structure of the spectrum of Rad. eff. = solar spectrum first.
- **Rad efficiency = integrated**
- **No differences for spectral variations (false)**
- **Rad efficiency = integrated**
- **Spectral radiance = integrated**
- **SSA goes to exceed 1 and RadEff**
- **Differences for integrated forcings**

- Importance of the size distribution
- Low SSA spectral variations
- Relevance of an effective refractive index?
- Difference size dist measured / OPAC
- Amount of soot = a parameter on which to play?

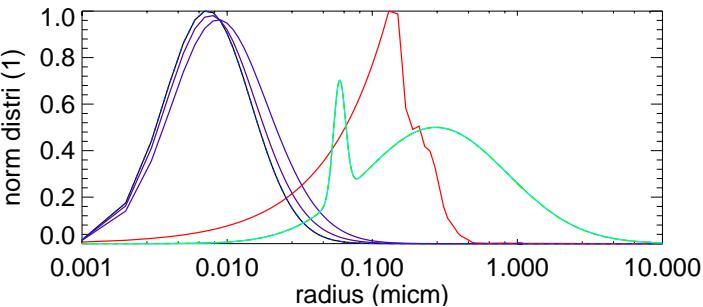
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OBJECTIVE: Influence of microscopic properties on radiative forcing

METHOD:

Different aerosols from litterature and meas. camp
(Size dist,
refractive index)



Mie code of
MOMO

Meteo data MS standard

SSA,
Phase function

RT scheme like
AeroCom
experiment, with
MOMO

RESULTS:

