



# Aerosol typing and microphysical properties from advanced lidar/radiometer observations

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# Outline

- Towards ACTRIS supersites
- Aerosol typing from lidar optical data
- Microphysical retrievals from combined lidar/sun photometer data





# Aerosol Remote Sensing With Lidar

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### **EARLINET multiwavelength Raman Lidar**









- particle backscatter coef. (355, 532, 1064 nm)
- particle extinction coef. (355, 532 nm)
- lidar ratio (355, 532 nm)
- Angström exponent (355/532 nm, height-res.)
- particle depolarization ratio (532 nm)
- water-vapor mixing ratio
- temperature
- + scattering model:
- particle mean size, volume concentration, refractive index (height-resolved)





## **Continuous observations – Raman Lidar Polly<sup>XT</sup>**



- 1: roof cover
- 2: sensors for outdoor temperature, air pressure, and rai
- 3: aircondition
- 4: uninterruptible power supply,
- 5: computer with data acquisition
- 6: laser power supply
- 7: laser head
- 8: beam expander
- 9: receiver telescope
- 10: receiver with seven channels









### **Continuous observations: AERONET and EARLINET**





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### **ACTRIS**

#### Aerosol, Clouds and Trace gases Research Infrastructure Network

#### **Ground-based remote sensing**

EARLINET: ~27 aerosol lidar stations 3+2 Raman lidars (aerosol typing, microphysics) Raman lidars (extinction profiles) backscatter lidars

**CLOUDNET:** ~10 cloud radar stations

**EARLINET- AERONET:** ~17 stations and 3 calibration sites

#### **Ground-based in-situ observations**

- about 30 ground-based stations for in-situ measurements of chemical, physical and optical properties of aerosols (former EUSAAR)
- about 20 ground-based stations for monitoring short-lived trace gases







#### **ACTRIS @ TROPOS**







### **ACTRIS supersite @ Melpitz**



#### In-situ aerosol and cloud microphysics







#### In-situ aerosol and cloud microphysics







#### **CLOUDNET – EARLINET integration**

Lidar  $3\lambda$ 

Lidar  $\delta$ 











#### **CLOUDNET – EARLINET integration**





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### **Optical properties from lidar**

#### **Extensive optical parameters (concentration-dependent)**

Backscatter coefficients:  $\beta$  (355, 532, 710, 1064 nm) Extinction coefficients:  $\alpha$  (355, 532 nm)

#### Intensive optical parameters (type-dependent)

Lidar ratio: S (355, 532 nm) size, shape, refractive index

Depolarization ratio: δ (355, **532**, 710, 1064 nm) shape, (size, refractive index)

Ångström exponents backscatter-related: *å*(532/1064), *å*(355/532) extinction-related: *å*(355/532)

#### size, (refractive index)

$$S = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \frac{4\pi}{\omega_0 P_{11}(180^\circ)}$$

$$\delta = \frac{\beta^{\perp}}{\beta^{\Box}} = \frac{P_{11}(180^{\circ}) - P_{22}(180^{\circ})}{P_{11}(180^{\circ}) + P_{22}(180^{\circ})}$$

$$\mathbf{\mathring{a}}_{x} = -\frac{\ln[\mathbf{x}(\lambda_{1}) / \mathbf{x}(\lambda_{2})]}{\ln(\lambda_{1} / \lambda_{2})}$$



### Aerosol typing from optical parameters







Polluted continental Biomass burning

**Clean marine** 

Size:	Ångström Exponent, Lidar ratio		
 å > 1	å = 0	å = 0	$\overline{\langle}$
Absorptio	n: Lidar ratio		
S > 60 sr	S = 55 sr	S = 25 sr	
Shape:	Depolarization ratio		
 δ = 0.05	δ = 0.31	δ = 0.02	$\overline{\langle}$





### Example: PBL aerosol, LE, 17 July 2013





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 $Ang_{d355/532} = -0.1$ 







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MODIS firemaps, 1 June to 25 July 2013













### **Aerosol typing – EarthCARE observables**

Aerosol classification from measurements of lidar ratio and particle linear depolarization ratio at **355 nm** 



Measurements from EARLINET, SAMUM-1/2, Polarstern, Amazonia; TROPOS and MIM





# Multiwavelength Raman polarization lidar (EARLINET)



Characterization/typing of aerosols

Quantification

Optical, microphysical, and radiative properties

Source identification, transport

- ➔ Vertically resolved
- → Limited microphysical characterization, and daytime capabilities







## **Sunphotometer observations (AERONET)**



Identification of aerosols

Characterization/typing of aerosols

#### Quantification

Optical, microphyisical, and radiative properties

Restricted to columnar properties, daytime, cloud-free scenes only





### **Combining lidar and sunphotometer observations**



# Lidar/sun photometer integrated algorithms



Generalized Aerosol Retrieval from Radiometer and LIdar Combined data

Lidar/Radiometer Inversion Code

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#### Smoke event: GARRLIC versus LIRIC

#### Smoke event, Minsk, 13 August 2010



Altitude, km

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#### **GARRLIC:** Improved columnar products

#### Smoke event, Minsk, 13 August 2010



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Lopatin, A., et al., AMT, 2013



#### **GARRLIC:** Single scattering albedo





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#### LIRIC and DREAM: Athens, 20 July 2011

#### BSC-DREAM8b model vs. LIRIC combined lidar-sunphotometer retrieval



Tsekeri, A., et al.: Application of a synergetic lidar and sunphotometer algorithm for the characterization of a dust event over Athens, Greece, British Journal of Environment and Climate Change (accepted)





#### LIRIC and DREAM: Granada, 27 June 2011





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#### **Summary**

- 1) Lidar (multiwavelength, Raman, polarization) for vertically resolved characterization of aerosols
- 2) Lidar + sunphotometer for improved microphysical retrievals
- 3) Towards integration of aerosol and cloud observations (EARLINET/AERONET/CLOUDNET)
- 4) Towards continuous 24/7 atmospheric observations
- 5) Towards networks for covering the regional and global variability and for long-term observations
- ➔ Advanced datasets for model evaluation and data assimilation





