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Aerosol type classification using Depolarization Ratio derived by AERONET sun/sky radiometer data

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Forest Fire Smoke

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-0.2

110

36

120

130

140

-0.1 0 0.1 0.2

AOD & SSA retrieval from SATELLITE Data

Algorithm Flowchart



Aerosol type selection is very important

Depolarization Ratio

1. Depolarization ratio, definition : $\delta = I_{\perp}/(I_{//} + I_{\perp})$,

Initial beam : I_{//} (100 %)

- 2. The variation parameter of Aerosol Depolarization Ratio(DPR)
 - : Shape, Size, Moist, etc





Type 1: Nonspherical particle Typ Asian dust : 0.3 ~ 0.35 Saharan dust 0.31 Mixed dust : 0.08~0.2 (Externally) Cirrus cloud : 0.4 Sea salt : 0.02

Type 2 : Ideal spherical particle

DPR = 0

Sulphate : 0.04

Type 3: Internally mixed aerosol

Aerosol

Laser beam

- Hygroscopic aerosol
- DPR depends on the internal structure

Aerosol Type Classification

Aerosol Type Classification by DPR



Value differences by mixing between dust and pollution



AEROSOL Type Classification by DPR & LIDAR ratio





Five main Aerosol types : Mineral dust, mineral dust mixtures, Marine aerosols, biomass burning mixtures and volcanic ash

[Groβ et al. (2015, Atmospheric Science Letters)]

Retrieval of Particle Depolarization Ratio

LIDAR

$$\delta(z) = \frac{S(z)}{P(z) + S(z)}$$

- δ : Volume depolarization ratio
- : Initial laser beam
- P S : Depolarized laser beam

$$\delta_{p}(z) = \frac{\delta(z)R(z) - \delta_{m}(z)}{R(z) - 1}$$

: Particle depolarization ratio $\delta_{\scriptscriptstyle D}$: Scattering ratio R(z): Depolarization ratio for air (0.014) δ_m

Sunphotometer

$$\delta_{\rho}(\lambda) = \frac{1 - F_{22}(\lambda, 180^{\circ}) / F_{11}(\lambda, 180^{\circ})}{1 + F_{22}(\lambda, 180^{\circ}) / F_{11}(\lambda, 180^{\circ})} \times 100(\%)$$
(Dubovik., 2006: JGR)

F11 and F22 (Müller scattering matrices) : computed from the retrieved complex refractive indices and particle size distributions



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Depolarization comparison : Lidar & Sunphotometer



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LIDAR Depolarization Ratio (Vertical resolved data) \rightarrow Column-integrated value

Column-integrated DPR (δ_{PL})

$$\boldsymbol{\delta}_{\boldsymbol{P}_{-L}} = \int_0^z \boldsymbol{\delta}_{\boldsymbol{P}}(z) W(z) dz$$

W(Z) : Weight factor

$$W(z) = \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta}_a(z)}{\int_0^z \boldsymbol{\beta}_a(z) dz}$$

 β_a : aerosol backscatter coefficient (LIDAR data)



- Case I : High value of δ and high value of β
- Case II : Two aerosol layers, high value of only at above layer
- Case III : low value of β and high value of δ

Depolarization comparison : Lidar & Sunphotometer



Dunhuang (Dust Source region) Data (2001, 2012)



- 7 cases of Pure dust particles are selected
- Ave. value of DPR at 1020 nm : 0.32 ± 0.02

$$R = \frac{(\delta_a - \delta_2)(1 + \delta_1)}{(\delta_1 - \delta_2)(1 + \delta_a)}$$

- R : Dust ratio (0 ~ 1)
 - : 0.32, assumed value for pure dust
- δ_1 : 0.32, assumed value δ_2 : 0.02, pure pollution \rightarrow Empirical data by long-term lidar measurements

[Shimizu et al. (2004), Tesche et al. (2009), Noh et al. (2014)]

Dunhuang Average value

- Dust ratio : 0.98 ± 0.03 •
- Coarse-mode fraction by volume concentration • : 0.95 ± 0.02

Comparison between Dust ratio and Coarse-mode fraction

Total 5561 cases



Dust ratio (R_D) : the ratio of dust particle to pollution particles

- **Coarse-mode fraction (CMF)** : only related to particle size
- CMF is higher 10 20 % than R_D
- CMF and R_D show similar value at Dunhuang



- All coarse-mode particle is not dust particle
- Size parameter has high uncertainty to classify aerosol type

Year 2001 ~ 2016

Aerosol Separation as Asian dust, PM10, PM2.5



Seasonal variation of Dust and Coarse-mode pollution particle



AOD : 1020 nm

Variation of Optical Parameter (Beijing)

Single-Scattering Albedo

Size distribution



870-440AngstromParam.[AOTExt]-Total

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Flowchart of the aerosol classification algorithm



- Dust aerosols (DPR to be greater than 0.26)
- Dust-dominant (0.15 \leq DPR \leq 0.26)
- Pollution-dominant (0.08 ≤ DPR <0.15)
- Pollution aerosols (DP to be less than 0.08)
- The HA, MA, SA, and NA represent highly-absorbing, moderately-absorbing, slightlyabsorbing, and non-absorbing aerosols, respectively

Comparison Between two Methods



Wavelength (nm)

Aerosol Type Classification (Dust, Mixed (Dust, Pollution), Pollution)

Numbers per Types

% according to Types

Seasonal %



Summary

- We investigated the reliability of depolarization ratio derived by AERONET sunphotometer.
- The strong correlation between lidar and sunphometer depolarization were obtained as 0.90, 0.92, 0.79, and 0.89 at Seoul, Kongju, Gosan and Osaka, respectively.
- Sunphotometer depolarization ratio can provide comparably reliable information to identify the presence of Asian dust particles in the mixed aerosol plumes.
- Depolarization ratio is more effective to classify aerosol type than only using size information parameters.

Thank you for your listening





