

# Approaches to intercalibration/QA/QC and other network aspects of AD-Net and SKYNET systems

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© Outline of calibration/QA/QC regarding the instruments of the AD-Net and SKYNET that contributes to this EarthCARE validation

© Summary and Comments on this theme

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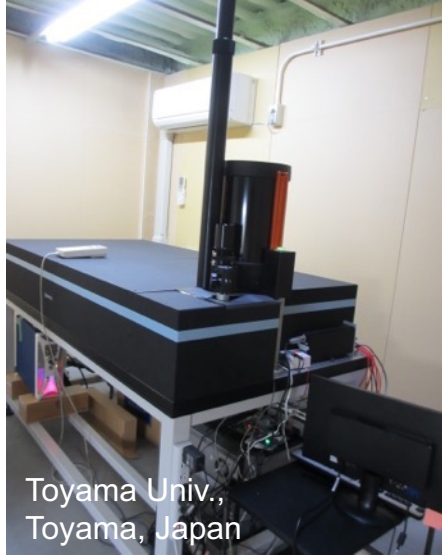
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# Observation products used for validation

| Obs. site                       | Lat<br>Lon        | Instrument                             | Parameter  |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Tsukuba<br>(Rural)<br>*stopping | 36.05N<br>140.12E | <b>MRHSRL</b>                          | $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 355 (Night)<br>$\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 532 (Day & Night)<br>Attenuated backscatter: 355/532/1064 (Day & Night) |
| Hedo<br>(Maritime)              | 26.87N<br>128.25E | <b>MRL</b>                             | $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 355/532 (Night)<br>Attenuated backscatter: 355/532/1064 (Day & Night)   |
|                                 |                   | <b>Sky<br/>radiometer</b>              | AOT: 340, 380, 400, 500, 675, 870, and 1020 (Day)<br>Angstrom exponent (Day)   |
| Toyama<br>(Rural)               | 36.7N<br>137.1E   | <b>MRL</b>                             | $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 355/532 (Night)<br>Attenuated backscatter: 355/532/1064 (Day & Night)   |
| Fukuoka<br>(Rural-<br>Urban)    | 33.52N<br>130.48E | <b>MRL<br/>=&gt;MRHSRL<br/>(2021~)</b> | $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 355 (Night)<br>$\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 532 (Day & Night) *2021~<br>Attenuated backscatter: (Day & Night)       |
|                                 |                   | <b>Sky<br/>radiometer</b>              | AOT: 340, 380, 400, 500, 675, 870, and 1020 (Day)<br>Angstrom exponent (Day)   |
| Koganei<br>(Urban)              | 35.7N<br>139.48E  | <b>355 HSRL<br/>(2019~)</b>            | $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 355 (Day & Night)<br>Attenuated backscatter: 355 (Day & Night)  |
| Palau<br>(Maritime)             | 7.34N<br>134.5E   | <b>MRL<br/>(2019~)</b>                 | $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 355/532 (Night)<br>Attenuated backscatter: 355/532/1064 (Day & Night)   |
| RV Mirai<br>(ocean)             | Ocean             | <b>MRL</b>                             | $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\delta$ , <b>S</b> : 355/532 (Night)<br>Attenuated backscatter: 355/532/1064 (Day & Night)   |



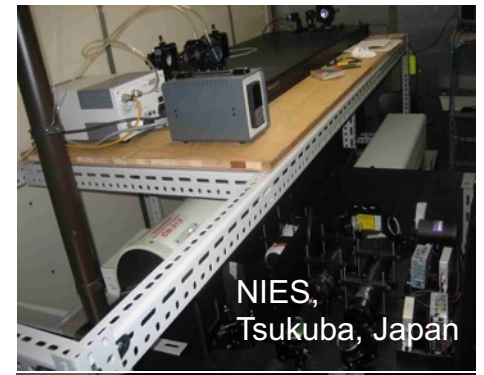
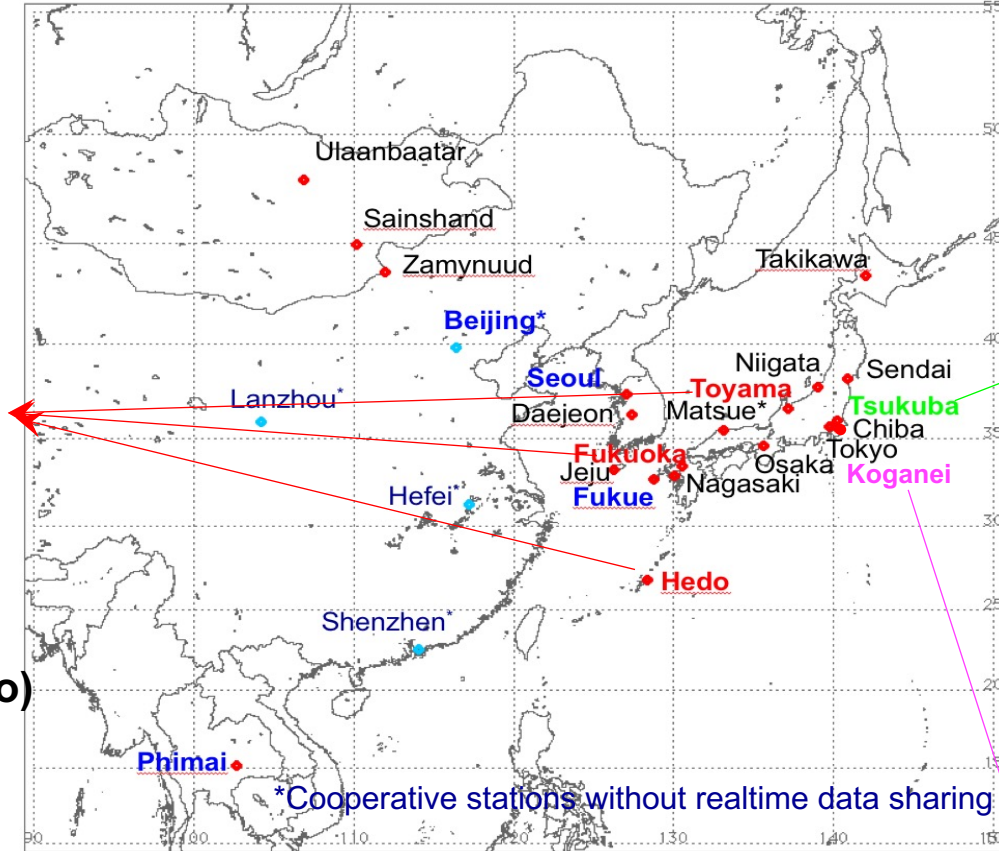
# AD-Net



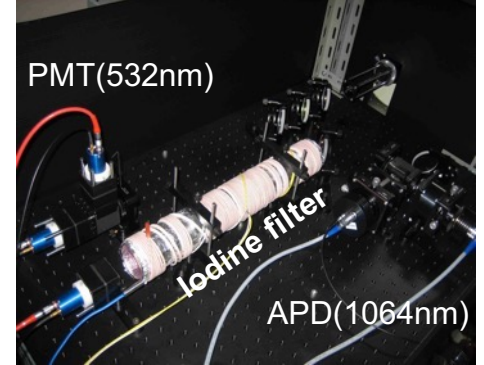
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## MRL

(Fukuoka, Toyama, Hedo)



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PMT(532nm)

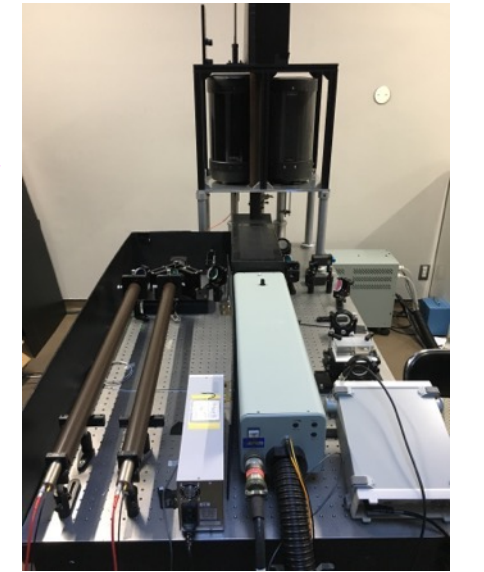
APD(1064nm)

## MRHSRL

(Tsukuba)

## 355nm HSRL

(Koganei)



- ✓  $2\beta(532,1064)+1\delta(532)$  Mie lidar
- ✓  $1\alpha(532)+2\beta(532,1064)+1\delta(532)$  Raman
- ✓  $2\alpha(355,532)+3\beta(355,532,1064)+2\delta(355,532)$  Raman (MRL)
- ✓  $2\alpha+3\beta+2\delta$  Raman-HSRL (MRHSRL)
- ✓  $1\alpha(355)+1\beta(355)+1\delta(355)$  HSRL

# MRL data processing and calibration

## Calibration

### Measurements (7ch)

$\Delta T = 15\text{min}$   $\Delta Z = 6\text{m}$  (Elastic channel)  
 $\Delta T = 15\text{min}$   $\Delta Z = 7.5\text{m}$  (Raman channel)

### Integration

$\Delta T = 15\text{min}$   $\Delta Z = 30\text{m}$  (Elastic, Raman)

## Calibration

### **1064nm**

Calibrate signal using signal scattered by cloud  
\* use 1064nm signal to detect cloud layer [Shimizu et al. 2004]

### **532/355nm**

Calibrate elastic and Raman signals using signals measured under clean condition and signals for aerosol free layer (around 6km).

### **Geometrical form factor**

Evaluate using measured Raman signals and theoretically computed Raman signals. [Xie et al 2008]

### **Depolarization (off-line)**

Calibrate using linear polarizer sheet directed at a  $\pm 45^\circ$  (Freudenthalter et al. 2016)

### **Attenuated backscatter (7ch)**

$\Delta T = 15\text{min}$   $\Delta Z = 30\text{m}$  (Elastic, Raman)

## Optical Prop. retrieval

### **Attenuated backscatter $\beta_{\text{atn}}$ (7ch)**

$\Delta T = 15\text{min}$   $\Delta Z = 30\text{m}$  (Elastic, Raman)

### **Cloud layer detection**

(Use  $\beta_{\text{atn}}$  at 1064nm)

### **Retrieval of Aerosol & Cloud optical properties**

### **Particle optical properties (POP)**

Moving average

$\Delta T = \pm 30\text{min}$ ,  $\Delta Z = \pm 60\text{m}$

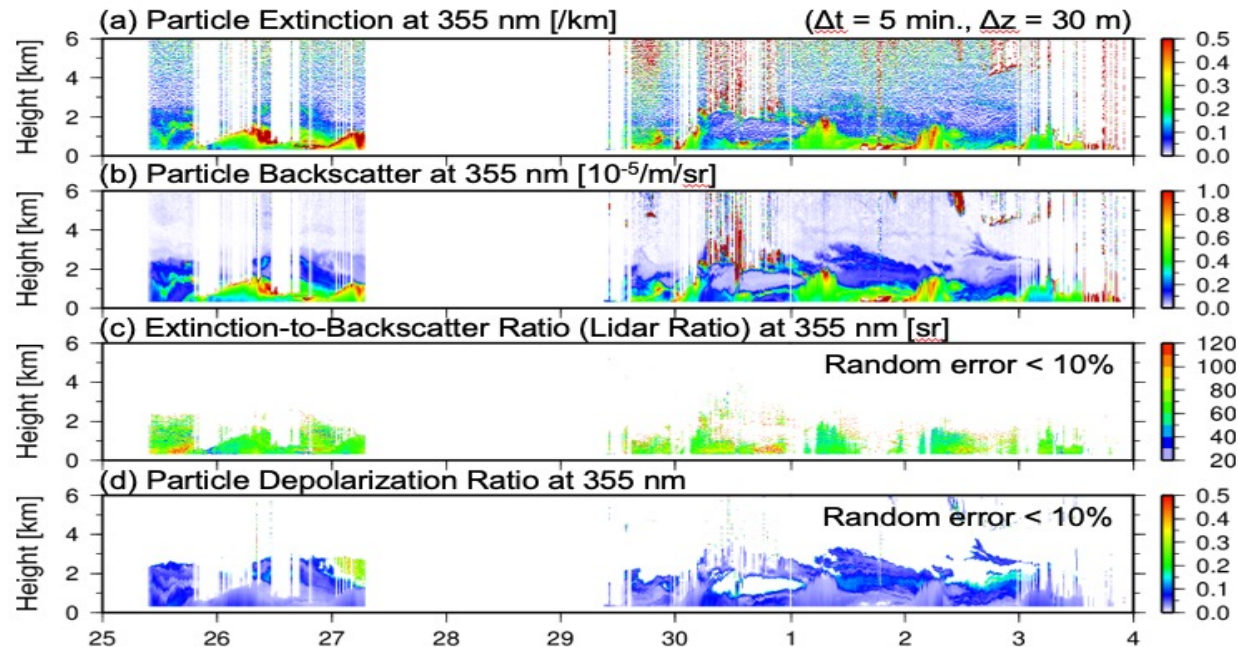
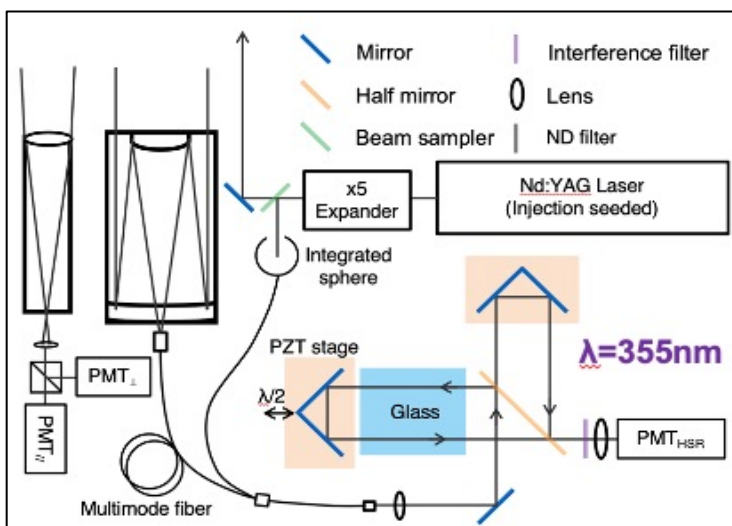
- ✓ Extinction (355, 532)
- ✓ Backscatter (355, 532, 1064)
- ✓ Depolarization (355, 532)

# 355nm HSRL

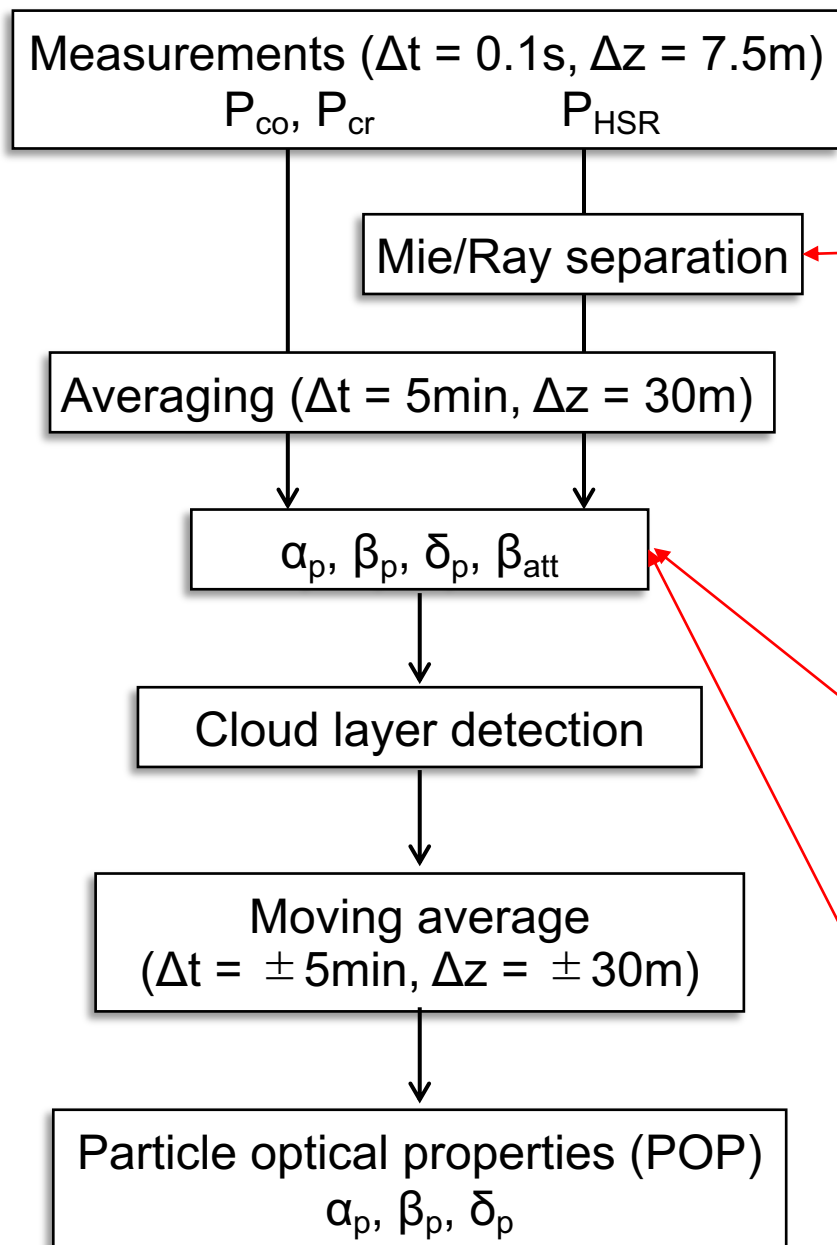


## Specification of HSRL using a scanning interferometer

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| Laser           | Injection-seeded, Q-switching Nd:YAG laser (Continuum Surelite I-10) |
| Wavelength      | 355 nm   |
| Pulse energy    | 100 mJ   |
| Beam div.       | 0.1 mrad (after x5 beam expander)                                    |
| Repetition rate | 10 Hz  |
| Receiver        | Takahashi $\mu$ -210 (Dia. = 21cm), Smaller telescope (Dia. = 5cm)   |
| Field-of-view   | 0.5 mrad (21cm telescope), 1 mrad (5cm telescope)                    |
| Interferometer  | Michelson interferometer, FSR = 2.4 GHz Scanning speed: 1 Hz         |
| Detector        | Photomultiplier (Licel PM-HV-R9880)                                  |
| Acquisition     | 160MSPS ADC (AVALDATA ADO-1616-STD)                                  |



# 355nm HSRL data processing and calibration



## Mie / Rayleigh separation

- ✓ Using scan data, profile data are separated into Mie and Rayleigh components (here, data for calibration such as aerosol-free data is not required). [Jin et al. 2020]

## Depolarization (off-line)

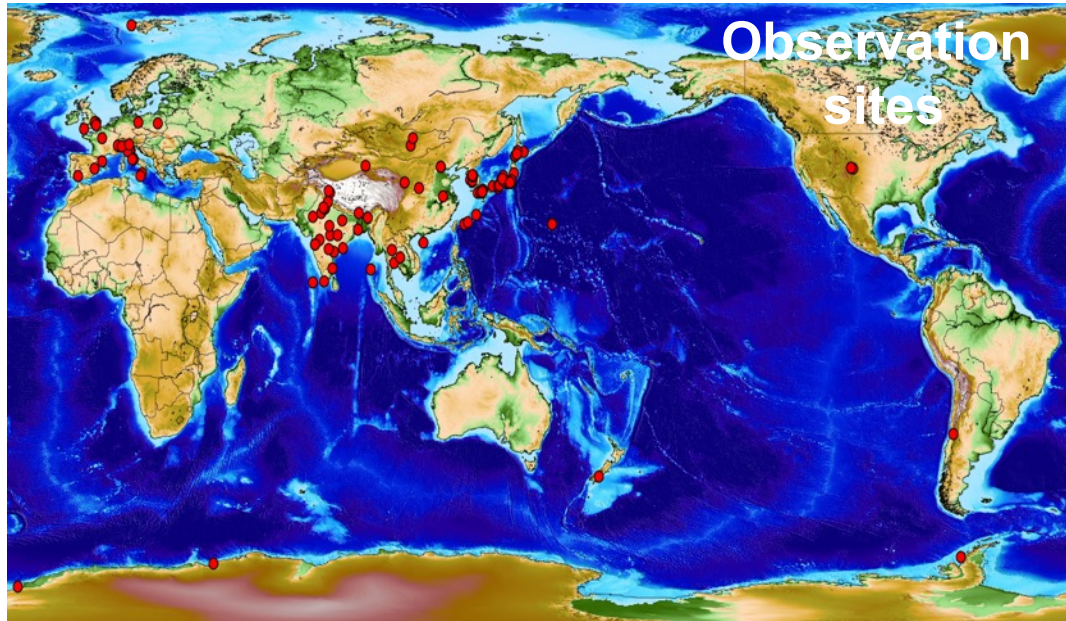
- ✓ Calibrate co-pol/cross-pol using a linear polarizer sheet directed at a  $\pm 45^\circ$  (Freudenthaler et al. 2016)

## Geometric form factor

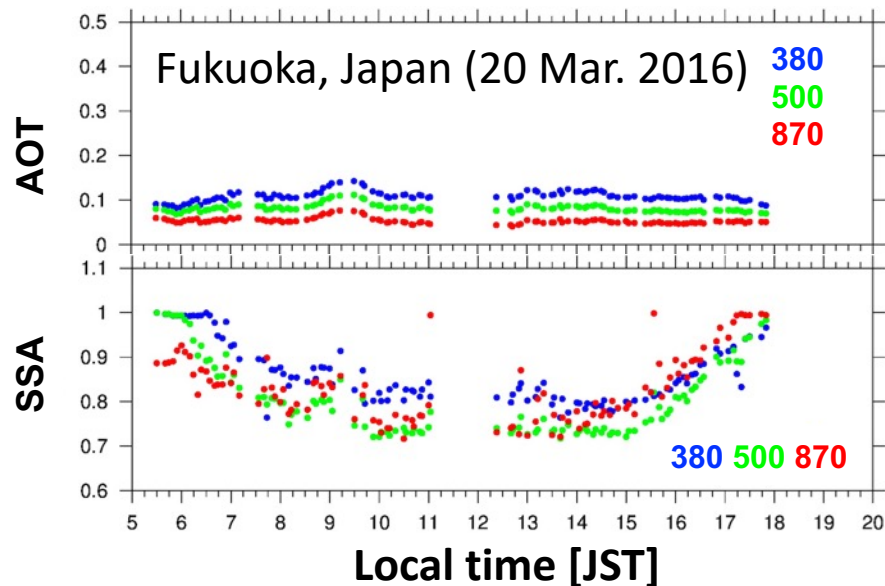
- ✓ Calculate the factor using range-corrected signals and computed attenuated backscatter profiles



# SKYNET



## AOT, SSA measured by skyradiometer



## Skyradiometer (by Prede co, Japan)

✓ Sun-scanning sunphotometer

✓ Measured wavelengths:

315, 340, 380, 400, 500, 675,  
870, 940, 1020, 1627, 2200nm

✓ Data recorded every 10~15min

✓ Derived parameters:

**AOT**, **Angstrom exponent**, **SSA**,  
**Size distribution**, **Refractive index**

# Skyradiometer data processing and calibration

## Automated processing

### Level 1

$F, E(\Theta) (3^\circ \leq \Theta \leq 30^\circ), \Delta\Omega$

$\downarrow$   
 $R$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $T$

### Improved Langley (IL)

$F, \tau$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $F_0$

Mok & Irie et al. (2018)  
Irie et al. (2018)  
Nakajima et al. (2020)

\*daily  $F_0$  is estimated using data taken within several months.

### Level 2

$F, E(\Theta) (\Theta \leq 160^\circ), F_0, \Delta\Omega$

$\downarrow$

$T_{\text{ext}}, \omega, m, V(r)$

## Offline

### Solar Disk Scan (SDS)

$F \ \& \ E(\Theta) (\Theta \leq 1^\circ)$

Uchiyama et al. (2018)  
\*Disc scan measurement mode is scheduled once a week.

$\downarrow$   
 $\Delta\Omega$

### Langley

$F, \tau$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $F_0$

\*mountain area

-Direct irradiance-  
 $F = F_0 \exp(-m\tau)$

-Diffuse irradiance-  
 $E(\Theta) \sim Fm\Delta\Omega[\omega\tau P(\Theta)]$

-Relative sky radiance-  
 $R(\Theta) = E(\Theta) / Fm\Delta\Omega$   
 $\sim \omega\tau P(\Theta)$

### Cloud screening

Khatri et al. (2009) (w/o global irradiance)  
Smirnov et al (2000) (direct irradiance)  
Estelles et al (2012) (direct irradiance)  
Song et al (2014) (direct irradiance)

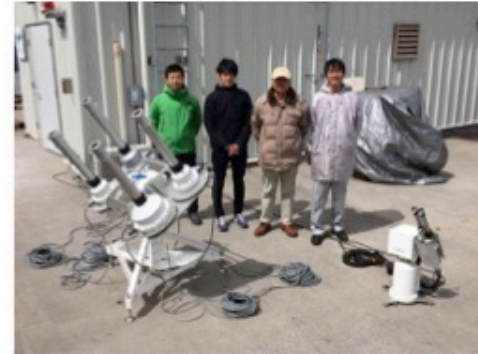
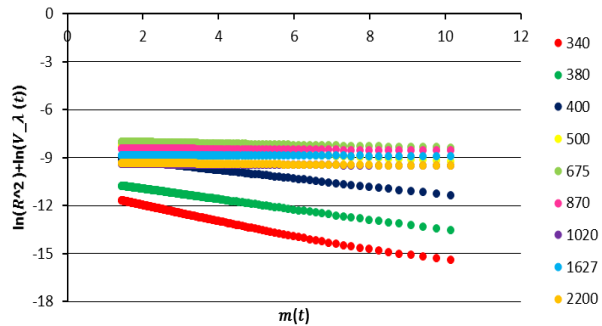
Final data



# Mountain calibration activity

- ◎ **Period:** Oct. 27-Nov. 5, 2016
- ◎ **Place:** Mauna Loa (MLO), Hawai'i, USA
- ◎ **Purpose:**

Direct calibration of the Chiba-U's master sky radiometer by the Langley method for all channels, including cloud channels.



# Summary and Comments

## AD-Net

- ✓ Calibration using operational data is performed regularly, however, calibration measurement of depolarization is performed annually.
- ✓ We strives to keep data quality through regular maintenance about a year (replacement of consumables, alignment adjustment, polarization calibration, etc)
- ✓ The status of the instrument is constantly monitored via the data sent over the network.
- ✓ Data screening of products extracted by Raman lidar and HSRL observation is under consideration.

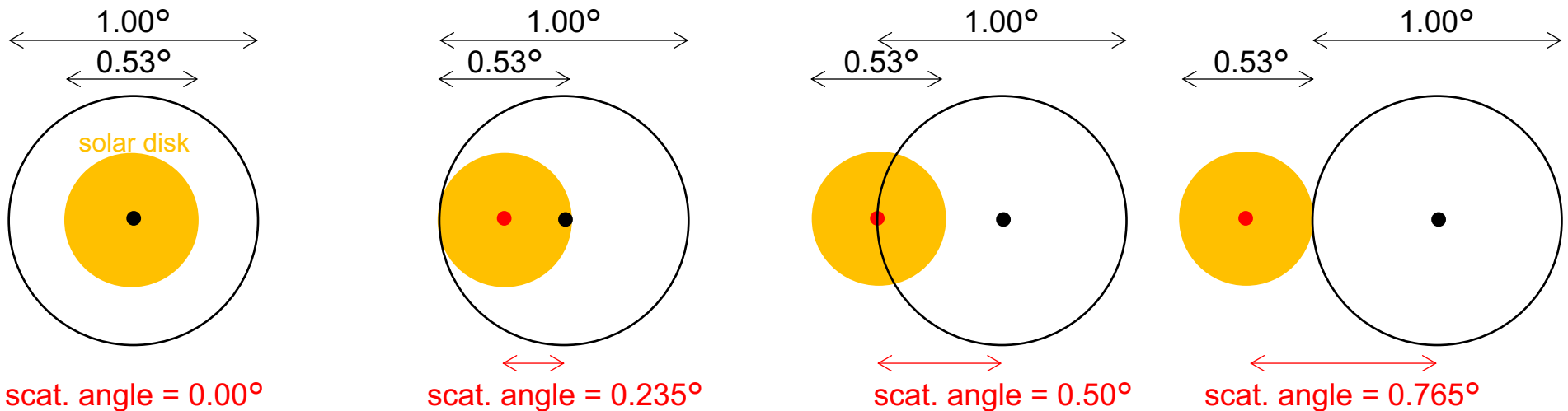
## SKYNET

- ✓ Calibration using operational data is performed regularly.
- ✓ We strives to keep data quality through regular maintenance (generally, about a year) (replacement of consumables, alignment adjustment, etc)
- ✓ The status of the instrument is constantly monitored via the data sent over the network.
- ✓ Intercalibration using “a master instrument” calibrated by the Langley method in mountain observation has been conducted occasionally.
- ✓ A data center (International SKYNET data center) is being constructed to aggregate all skynet data, centrally analyze it, generate and publish standard products [Nakajima et al. 2020] (this standard products will be used for the EarthCARE validation). Data screening of products is under consideration.





# Simple relationship between solar disk and SVA



$$\Delta\Omega = 2\pi(1 - \cos \theta) = 0.239 \text{ msr}$$

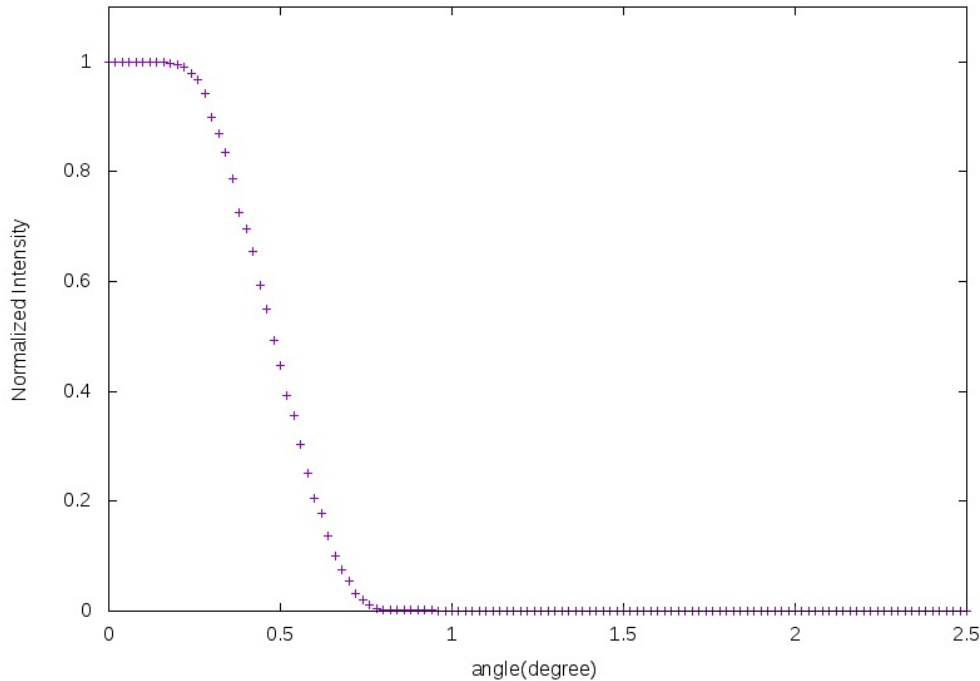
$\Delta\Omega$ : solid view angle

$\theta$ : half angle of circular cone (=1.00°/2)

# Example of solar disk scan

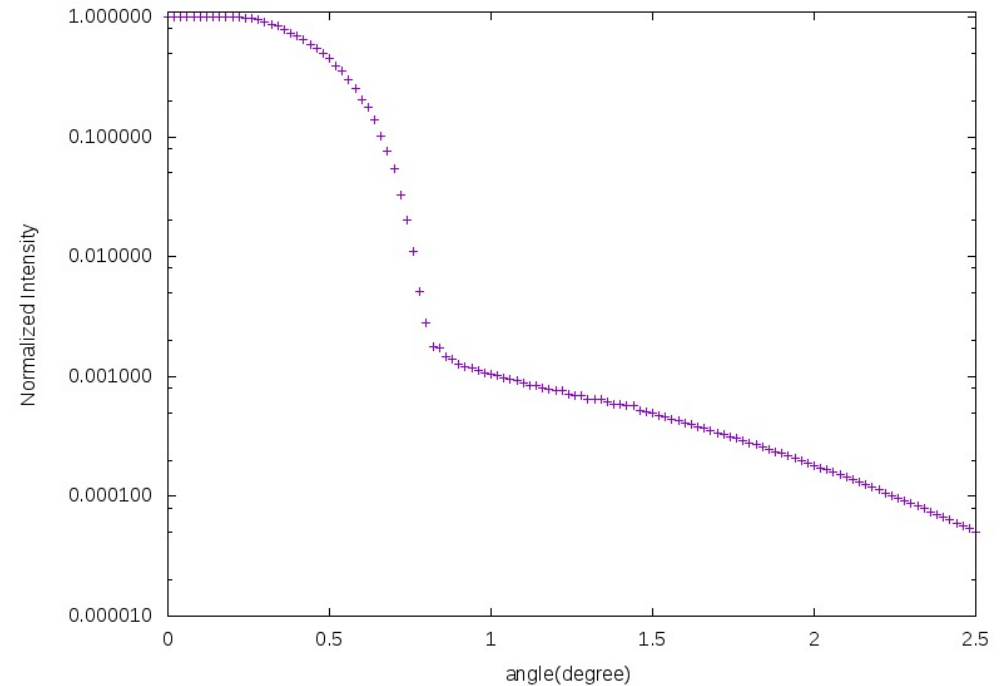
## Linear scale

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## Log scale

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Scattering angle

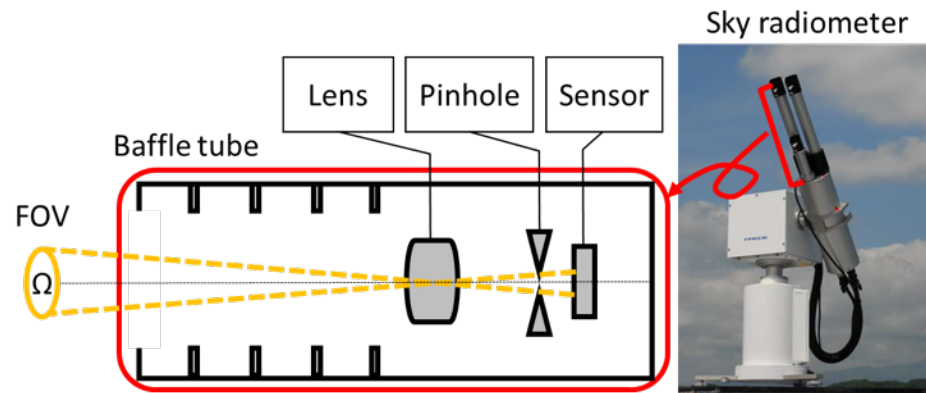
# Far lamp method: Experiments for Solid View Angle

Point-like Light source

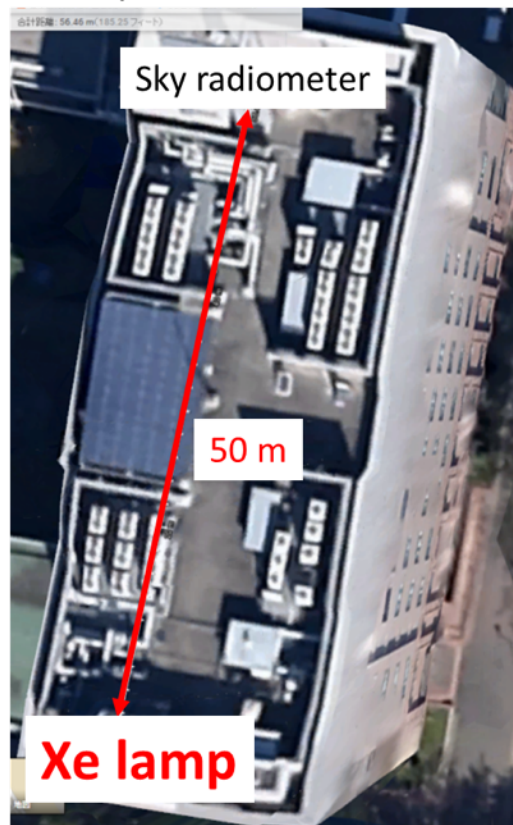
2D scan



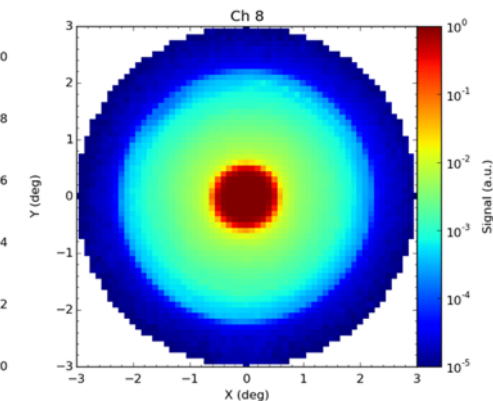
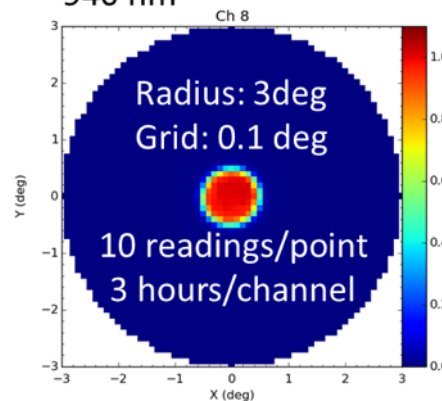
Experiment at Chiba U



Sky radiometer



940 nm





# Idea of Improved Langley method

$$\ln F = \ln F_{\text{TOA}} - m\tau$$

$$\ln F = \ln \frac{F_0}{r^2} - m\tau$$

$$\ln Fr^2 = \ln F_0 - m\tau$$

$$F_0^* = Fr^2 \exp(m\tau)$$

$$\ln Fr^2 = \ln F_0 - m(\tau_{\text{non-aerosol}} + \tau_{\text{aerosol}})$$

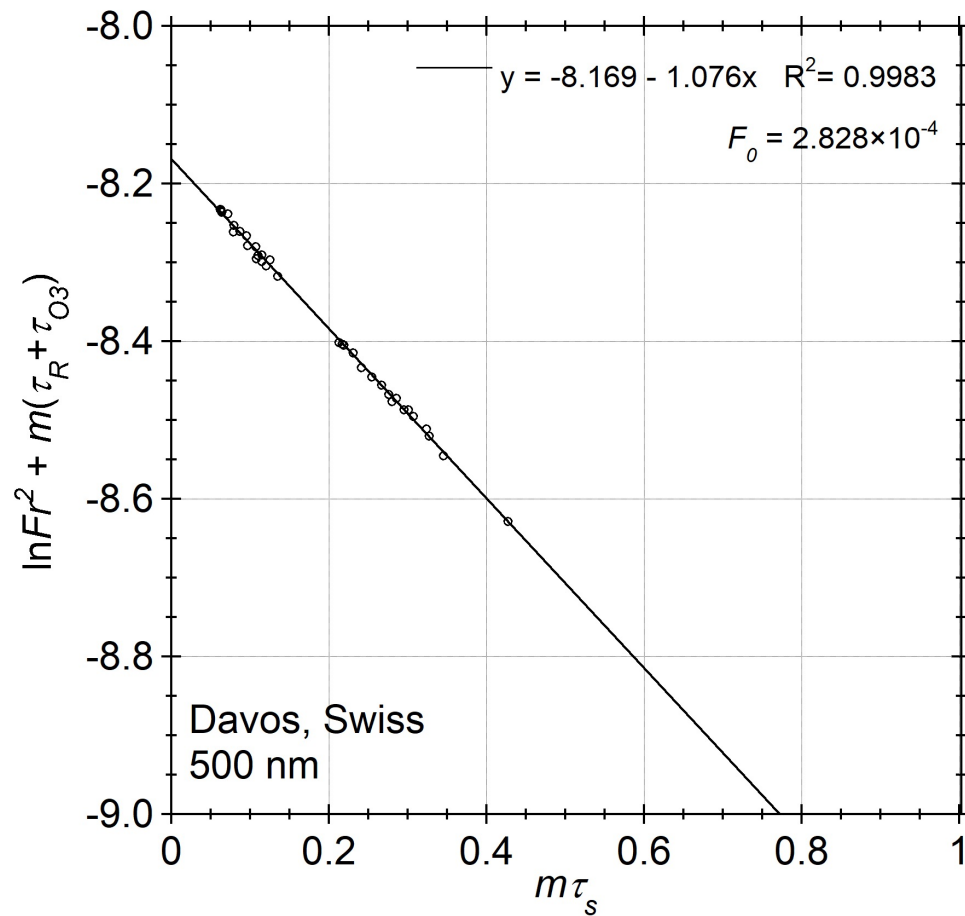
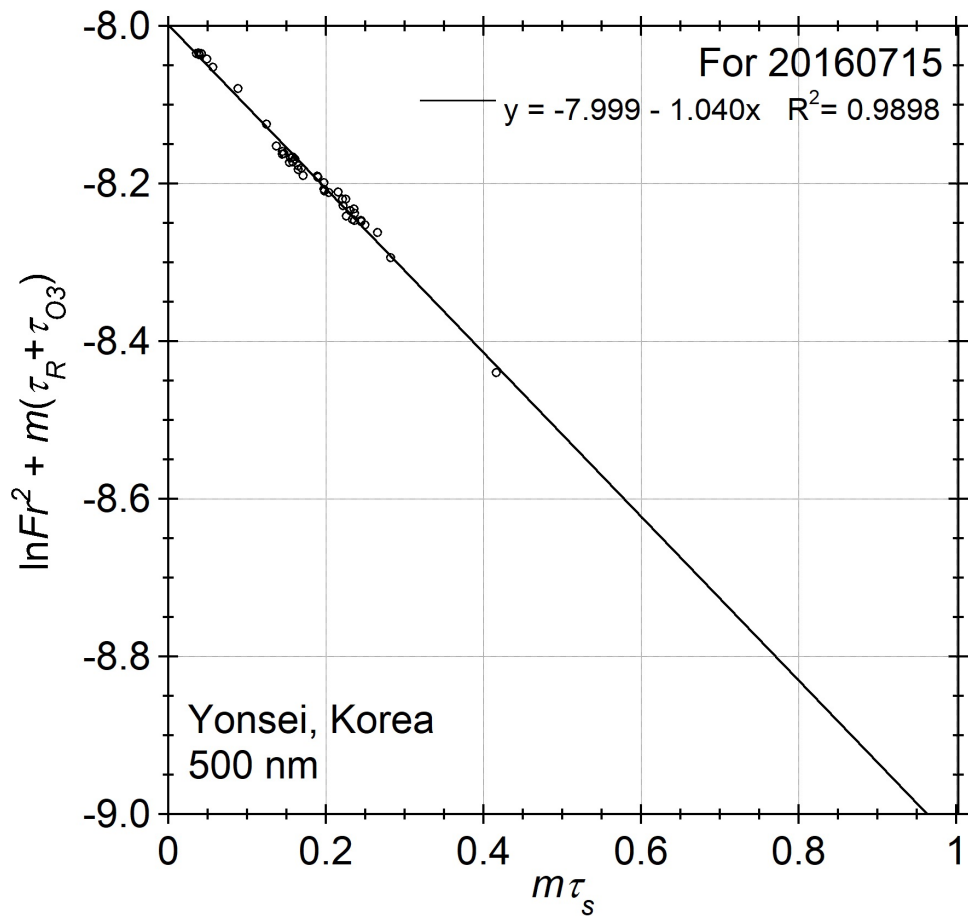
$$\ln Fr^2 = \ln F_0 - m(\tau_{\text{non-aerosol}}) - m\tau_{\text{aerosol}}$$

$$\ln Fr^2 = \ln F_0 - m\tau_{\text{non-aerosol}} - m \frac{\tau_s}{\omega}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\ln Fr^2 + m\tau_{\text{non-aerosol}}}} = \ln F_0 - \frac{1}{\omega} \underline{\underline{m\tau_s}}$$

y x

# Example of results: Improved Langley method



# Evaluation of $F_0$ derived by IL method

