# Sunlight transmission through desert dust and marine aerosols: Diffuse light corrections to Sun photometry and pyrheliometry

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**Abstract.** Desert dust and marine aerosols are receiving increased scientific attention because of their prevalence on intercontinental scales and their potentially large effects on Earth radiation and climate, as well as on other aerosols, clouds, and precipitation. The relatively large size of desert dust and marine aerosol particles produces scattering phase functions that are strongly forward-peaked. Hence, Sun photometry and pyrheliometry of these aerosols are more subject to diffuse-light errors than is the case for smaller aerosols. Here we quantify these diffuse-light effects for common Sun photometer and pyrheliometer fields of view (FOV), using a data base on dust and marine aerosols derived from (1) AERONET measurements of sky radiance and solar beam transmission and (2) in situ measurements of aerosol layer size distribution and chemical composition. Accounting for particle non-sphericity is important when deriving dust size distribution from both AERONET and in situ aerodynamic measurements. We express our results in terms of correction factors that can be applied to Sun photometer or pyrheliometer results for aerosol optical depth (AOD) or direct-beam transmission. We find that the corrections are negligible (<~1% of AOD) for Sun photometers with narrow FOV (half-angle □<~1°), but that they can be as large as 10% of AOD at 354 nm wavelength for Sun photometers with  $\square=1.85^{\circ}$ . For pyrheliometers (which can have  $\square$  up to  $\sim 2.8^{\circ}$ ), corrections can be as large as 16% at 354 nm. We find that AOD correction factors are well correlated with AOD wavelength dependence (hence Ångström exponent). We provide best-fit equations for determining correction factors from Ångström exponents of uncorrected AOD spectra, and we demonstrate their application to vertical profiles of multiwavelength AOD.

#### 1. Introduction

Recent studies have focused renewed attention on the properties and effects of desert dust and marine aerosols. Plumes of desert dust extending downwind from continents are a prominent feature of satellite imagery [Chiapello et al., 1999; Moulin et al., 2001; Prospero et al., 2002]. Satellite data analyses also reveal the important role of marine sea-salt aerosols [Haywood et al., 1999]. Both desert dust and marine aerosols can have significant effects on Earth radiation balance and climate [Sokolik and Toon, 1996; Tegen et al., 1996; Haywood et al., 2001a,b; Jacobson, 1999, and they can modify the properties and effects of other aerosols, clouds and precipitation [Jones and Slingo, 1996; O'Dowd et al., 1999; Li-Jones and Prospero, 1997; Rosenfeld, 2000; Rosenfeld et al., 2002]. Consequently, measurements of desert dust and marine aerosol properties and radiative effects from surface, air, and space have been emphasized in several recent experiments, including ACE-2 [Raes et al., 2000; Russell and Heintzenberg, 2000], SHADE [Haywood et al., 2001a,b; 2002], PRIDE [Reid et al., 2002], and ACE-Asia [Huebert et al., 2003a,b]. Among the fundamental properties targeted in these campaigns is the wavelength-dependent aerosol optical depth, derived from Sun photometer-measured solar beam transmissions and satellite-measured reflectances. Important effects include not only those on total (diffuse plus direct) solar fluxes, but also on the energy in the direct solar beam, as measured by pyrheliometers and cavity radiometers [Halthore et al., 1997].

As noted by many studies (e.g., Grassl [1971], Box and Deepak [1979], Russell et al. [1993a,b], Shiobara and Asano [1994], Kinne et al. [1997], Eck et al. [1999]), sunphotometers and pyrheliometers have nonzero fields of view that accept some diffuse light in addition to the direct

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The previous studies mentioned above have quantified the diffuse-light effect for several types of aerosols and clouds and for different sunphotometer fields of view (FOV). In general, the effect increases with particle size and instrument FOV. Representative results from previous studies are shown in Table 1. As an example, Kinne et al. [1997] give results for two aerosol models with effective (area-weighted) radii  $R_{\text{eff}}$ =0.2 and 0.5  $\square$ m, several cloud models with  $R_{\text{eff}}$ =6 to 177  $\square$ m, and FOV half angles  $\square$ =1°, 1.2°, and 2.5°. They found that the correction factor C, defined as

$$C \equiv \square / \square \tag{1}$$

where  $\square$  and  $\square$  are true and apparent optical depths, was 1.02 or less for their aerosol models and FOV half angle up to 2.5°, but that it could be as large as 2.47 for their cloud models. Similarly, Shiobara and Asano [1994] found correction factors C of only 1.009 and 1.03 for their two aerosol models (which had  $R_{\rm eff}$ =0.07 and 0.39  $\square$ m, respectively), but 1.96 for their cirrus cloud phase function (all results for wavelength  $\square$ =0.5  $\square$ m,  $\square$ =1.2°). Russell et al. [1993b] found that post-Pinatubo stratospheric aerosol size distributions with  $R_{\rm eff}$ =0.2 to 0.6  $\square$ m had correction factors C<1.02 for  $\square$ =0.38 to 1.02  $\square$ m and  $\square$  up to 2.2°. However, a size distribution with  $R_{\rm eff}$ =0.9  $\square$ m had C=1.05 at  $\square$ =0.38  $\square$ m and  $\square$ =2.2°.

Box and Deepak [1979] give correction factors for a wide range of power-law and unimodal modified gamma distributions. However, their results are not given as a function of  $R_{\text{eff}}$ . Also, it is now recognized that many aerosol size distributions have two or more size modes and are

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS often not well represented by power-law or unimodal distributions. Hence, it is difficult to translate the above results to the aerosol conditions of specific sunphotometer measurements—especially conditions of desert dust and marine haze, where particle sizes can significantly exceed the aerosol sizes in, e.g., the studies of Kinne et al. [1997] and Shiobara and Asano [1994]. The nonspherical shape of desert dust particles also raises questions about the applicability of the above aerosol results, which assumed spherical aerosol particles (cf. Dubovik et al., 2002a,b; Kalashnikova and Sokolik, 2002).

## 2. Data Sources

Recent measurements by the AERONET network of sun/sky radiometers [Holben et al., 1998] have produced a large body of data on desert dust and maritime aerosols, including optical depth spectra, scattering phase functions, size distributions, complex refractive indices, and single-scattering albedos. These parameters are retrieved from combined measurements of scattered light (skylight) and direct-beam transmission using the algorithm of Dubovik and King [2000]. The results [e.g., Tanré et al., 2001; Dubovik et al., 2002a; Levy et al., 2002; Smirnov et al., 2002] show that desert dust and maritime aerosols typically have bimodal size distributions with coarse-mode  $R_{\text{eff}}$ =1.1 to 3.2  $\square$ m. These coarse-mode aerosols thus fall in a gap between the aerosol and cloud models cited above (aerosol  $R_{\text{eff}}$ =0.2 to 0.9  $\square$ m; cloud  $R_{\text{eff}}$ =6 to 177  $\square$ m). Because they are based on, and consistent with, measurements of the angular distribution of diffuse skylight, these AERONET results provide a very useful basis for deriving diffuse-light correction factors.

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS We will also supplement the AERONET results with size distributions and compositions measured by airborne instrumentation specially designed to admit large particles at aircraft speeds (Wang et al., 2002). These in situ results have been shown to produce aerosol layer optical depth spectra that agree with layer optical depth spectra measured by tracking sunphotometer on the same aircraft (Wang et al., 2002; Schmid et al., 2003).

#### 3. Calculation Methods

#### 3.1 Analytical Formulation

To calculate diffuse-light correction factors we follow the analytical formulation of Shiobara and Asano [1994] and Kinne et al. [1997]. Both these studies performed Monte Carlo calculations of all orders of light scattered into the sunphotometer FOV. They showed that their Monte Carlo results, over a range of slant-path optical depths from 0 to 6, were well approximated by the analytical result

$$C = \frac{1}{1} =$$

where  $\square$  is single scattering albedo and  $P\square\square$  is a shorthand for the normalized phase function P integrated over the sunphotometer FOV, i.e.,

$$P \square \square = \square P(\square) \sin[d\square/\square] P(\square) \sin[d\square,$$
 (3)

where  $\square$  is scattering angle. Box and Deepak [1979] obtained the analogous result for nonabsorbing aerosols ( $\square$ =1) by using analytical approximations. Including the denominator in (3) is important since the formulations of Shiobara and Asano [1994] and Kinne et al. [1997] require that  $P\square\square$  be the fraction of scattered photons with  $\square < \square$ , and several normalizations for

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS  $P(\Box)$  are common in the literature (e.g., the denominator in (3) is 1 in Shiobara and Asano [1994], but 2 in Wiscombe and Grams [1976] and Dubovik et al. [2002a]).

#### 3.2 Effect of mixed aerosol-Rayleigh phase functions and vertical profiles

Not emphasized in many of the previous studies of diffuse light corrections is that Rayleigh scattering often makes a significant contribution to optical depth [], especially at the short wavelengths where aerosol phase functions are most forward-peaked. Thus, []P[][], the fraction of extincted (scattered plus absorbed) photons with scattering angle []<[][], has both Rayleigh and aerosol components, written explicitly as

where subscripts a and R stand for aerosol and Rayleigh, respectively, and

$$\square = \square_a + \square_R. \tag{5}$$

Hence, the diffuse-light correction factor C for total optical depth  $\square$  given by (2) and (4), depends on the relative contributions of  $\square_a$  and  $\square_R$  to  $\square$  In a vertical profile, these relative contributions typically vary with height, making C dependent on height.

However, if we define a correction factor  $C_a$  for aerosol optical depth analogous to (2), i.e.

$$C_a = \Box_a / \Box_a \Box_a, \tag{6}$$

we can show that  $C_a$  is independent of  $\square_a/\square_R$  for all cases of practical interest. We use the fact that in sun photometry  $\square_a$  is obtained by subtracting  $\square_R$  from the measured total optical depth  $\square$ , i.e.,

$$\square_{a} = \square \square \square_{R}, \tag{7}$$

or

$$\square_{a} \square = \square \square \square_{R}, \qquad (8)$$

where  $\square_a^{\Gamma}$  is the apparent aerosol optical depth obtained from the apparent total  $\Pi$ . Substituting (2) in (7) yields

$$\square_{a} = C \square \square \square_{R} = C(\square_{a} \square + \square_{R}) \square \square_{R}. \tag{9}$$

Inserting (9) in (6) yields

$$C_a = C + \left( \prod_R / \prod_a \square \right) (C \square 1). \tag{10}$$

Then using (8), (2), and (4) in (10) and rearranging yields

$$C_a = 1/[1 \square \square_a P_a \square \square \square (\square_R / \square_a) P_R \square \square]. \tag{11}$$

This differs negligibly from

$$C_a = 1/[1 \square \square_a P_a \square \square] \tag{12}$$

as long as

$$\square_{R}/\square_{a} \ll \square_{a}P_{a}\square\square /P_{R}\square\square . \tag{13}$$

As we will show, aerosol phase functions  $P_a$  that have significant diffuse light effects typically have  $\square_a P_a \square \square >\sim 100 P_R \square \square$  for typical sunphotometer or pyrheliometer FOVs (i.e.,  $\square <\sim 3^\circ$ ). In such cases (13) becomes

$$\square_{R} << 100 \square_{a}. \tag{14}$$

We find that (14) or the more general (13) is satisfied for all significant tropospheric aerosols at altitudes below ~6 km for wavelengths as short as 340 nm. For very tenuous aerosols or stratospheric altitudes the more general (11) can be used in place of (12), but in such conditions other errors, such as uncertainties in Rayleigh subtraction in (7) or (8), are likely to dominate any diffuse light errors.

#### 4. Results

Table 2 lists the aerosol cases for which we have calculated diffuse light correction factors in this study. In selecting these cases our aim has been to cover a wide range of realistic cases of practical interest. Table 2 includes Asian and African aerosols containing varying proportions of dust, as well as maritime aerosols from five island sites. The symbols in the first column of Table 2 are defined as follows:

 $\square$ ( $\square$ ) Aerosol optical depth at wavelength  $\square$ 

$$\square(\square_1, \square_2) \quad \text{Ångström exponent}, = \square \ln[\square_n(\square_1)/\square_n(\square_2)]/\ln(\square_1/\square_2)$$
(15)

*n, k* Real, imaginary refractive index

☐ Single scattering albedo

 $r_{\rm Vf}$ ,  $r_{\rm Vc}$  Volume median radius for fine and coarse modes, respectively

 $\square_{Vf}$ ,  $\square_{Vc}$  Standard deviation about volume median radius, for fine and coarse modes

 $C_{\rm V}$ ,  $C_{\rm Vc}$  Volume concentration for total distribution and coarse mode, respectively

 $R_{\text{eff-f}}$ ,  $R_{\text{eff-c}}$  Effective (area weighted) radius for fine and coarse modes, respectively

Dubovik et al. [2002] give equations for computing the above size distribution parameters  $r_{Vi}$ ,  $\Box_{Vi}$ ,  $C_{Vi}$  for an arbitrary size distribution or a given mode. For convenience these equations are repeated in the Appendix to this paper. We emphasize that neither these equations nor individual AERONET retrievals assume any particular functional form. However, the AERONET retrievals usually yield shapes that are bimodal, a result also found by other studies [e.g., Whitby, 1978; Shettle and Fenn, 1979; Remer and Kaufman, 1998].

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS Figure 1 shows representative column and layer size distributions from Table 2. Note that, apart from the distributions labeled "model", none of the distributions is exactly lognormal, but they are roughly bimodal. This includes both the in situ results of Wang et al. [2002] and the individual AERONET retrievals. Applying the equations of Dubovik et al. [2002] (reproduced in our appendix) to these distributions yielded the parameters in Table 2.

#### 4.1 Particle shape and phase functions

The maritime aerosol size distributions and complex refractive indices in Table 2 were all derived by Smirnov et al. (2002) from AERONET measurements. The Asian aerosol cases include three from airborne in situ measurements by Wang et al. (2002, see also below), plus a variety of retrievals from AERONET measurements. When dust was present during the Asian AERONET measurements, use of spherical particle phase functions had a strong tendency to produce the retrieval artifacts described by Dubovik et al. (2002a,b), i.e., an artificially strong small-particle mode and real refractive indices that are artificially small at short wavelengths (sometimes non-physically small, i.e., less than the real refractive index of water). Therefore, most of the Asian aerosol AERONET retrievals were done with spheroidal phase functions [Mishchenko et al., 1997] which, as shown by Dubovik et al. [2002a,b], produce retrievals without these artifacts. Dust retrievals in Table 2 (both African and Asian) that used spherical phase functions have been screened and adjusted to minimize artifacts (e.g., by checking small-mode amplitude and adjusting short-wavelength real refractive indices to values found for dust retrievals with scattering angles <~30°, which are not susceptible to effects of nonsphericity).

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We used a large number of AERONET retrievals (all done with spheroidal phase functions) from measurements at Chinhae, Anmyon, Jeju and Seoul in South Korea, and Shirahama and Osaka in Japan, to derive a dynamic model of the mixed Asian aerosol, in which the amplitude of the coarse mode varies to reflect different amounts of dust. Parameters of this Asian dynamic model are summarized in the leftmost Asian dust column of Table 2, and two example columnar size distributions are shown in Figure 1. Other AERONET dust cases are included in our study (Table 2, with examples in Figure 1) to show the degree of variation with respect to the model, which tends to capture average behavior.

Dust nonsphericity also can affect in situ aerosol measurements. For example, in the free-troposphere measurements of Wang et al., (2002), dust nonsphericity caused particles to be undersized in the aerodynamic particle sizer. Wang et al. (2002) corrected this aerodynamic undersizing by modeling the dust particles as doublet spheres (hence the designation "Free Trop Doublet" in Table 2). After this correction, Wang et al., (2002) found that multiwavelength extinction spectra calculated from the in situ measurements agreed with spectra from airborne sunphotometry (Schmid et al., 2003), which is not subject to these aerodynamic sizing issues.

Figure 2 illustrates the similarities and differences between phase functions for spheres and spheroids, in this case for the size distribution retrieved from AERONET sun-sky measurements at Jeju, Korea, 11 April 2001, 23:41. (The retrieval itself used spheroidal phase functions, to obtain the most accurate size distribution.) The results, which are for spheres and spheroids having the same volume-vs-size distribution (plotted in Figure 1, with parameters listed in Table 2), show that phase functions for spheres and equal-volume spheroids can differ significantly for

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS scattering angles  $> 40^{\circ}$ , but that they are quite similar in the forward-scattering peak. Differences between phase functions for spheres and volume-equivalent spheroids for this case are <14% in the forward peak. And the forward-peak integrals determining diffuse-light corrections (e.g., in Eq. (3)) differ even less (by <7% for FOV angles of practical interest), because of the weighting by  $\sin$ [] in Eq. (3). Furthermore, when these integrals are used in Eq. (12) to obtain diffuse-light correction factors  $C_a$ , resulting  $C_a$  values for spheres and volume-equivalent spheroids differ by <1% for the aerosol cases and FOV angles in this paper. Differences between results for spheres and equal-area spheroids are even less than the differences given here between spheres and equal-yolume spheroids.

To summarize, dust nonsphericity can cause significant errors in size distributions determined in situ by aerodynamic methods, as well as significant errors in both size distributions and refractive indices retrieved from AERONET measurements, unless analysis methods account for this nonsphericity. However, once accurate size distribution and complex refractive index have been determined by suitable analyses, the use of spherical-particle phase functions in Eq. (3) can produce accurate diffuse-light corrections, because of the similarity between spherical and nonspherical phase functions in the forward peak. In this paper we have followed this approach. That is, we have used analysis methods that produce accurate size distribution and complex refractive index for particles that may be nonspherical, and then used spherical-particle phase functions in the forward peak to calculate diffuse light effects.

Figure 2 and the above discussion of phase functions use a model of spheroids (ellipsoids of revolution) to represent nonspherical particles. Recently Kalashnikova and Sokolik [2002] have

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS shown that dust particles with angular, sharp-edge shapes have phase functions with forward peaks as much as 1.5 times those of volume-equivalent spheres. We have not used the angular, sharp-edge phase functions in this study, partly because of the computational burden, but also because of a variety of evidence that dust particles in the atmosphere, especially at significant distances from their sources, may scatter light more like spheroids than angular, sharp-edged particles. This evidence includes (1) results showing that dust particles often acquire coatings (e.g., sulfates or organics) as they are transported downwind [e.g., Krueger et al., 2003], and (2) consistency between dust characteristics retrieved assuming spheroidal phase functions and determined by other means [e.g., Sinyuk et al., 2003]. However, when evaluating diffuse-light effects of dust near sources, where angular, sharp-edge shapes are likely to be more dominant, it may be appropriate to adjust the results of this study to account for these shapes (e.g., by increasing *C*<sub>a</sub>-1 by as much as 50%, to account for the factor 1.5 forward-peak difference noted above). See also Section 5.

#### 4.2 Diffuse-light correction factors

Using Eqs. (12) and (3), we have calculated diffuse light correction factors  $C_a(\Box,\Box)$  for each of the aerosol cases in Table 2, for wavelengths  $\Box = 354$  to 1558 nm and FOV half-angles  $\Box = 0.5^{\circ}$  to 3.0°. Figure 3 illustrates the dependence of  $C_a$  on  $\Box$  and  $\Box$ , for the same case as used in the phase-function examples of Figure 2 (i.e., size distribution and complex refractive indices retrieved from AERONET sun-sky measurements at Jeju, Korea, 11 April 2001, 23:41, listed in the fourth column of Asian dust in Table 2). Also shown is single scattering albedo SSA, which affects  $C_a$  via Eq. (12). The increase in  $C_a$  with decreasing wavelength is caused by the increased forward peaking of phase functions with decreasing wavelength, shown in Figure 2. However,

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS this increase can be reduced or even reversed if SSA decreases fast enough with decreasing wavelength (cf. Eq. (12)). FOV half-angles [] for specific instruments are shown by heavy lines in Figure 3; i.e.,

- $\square$ =0.6° for the AERONET Cimel sun-sky photometers [Holben et al., 1998; Eck et al., 1999],
- $\square$ =2.85 ° for the normal incidence pyranometer (NIP) [Halthore et al., 1997].

The results for  $C_a$  and SSA shown in Figure 3 and elsewhere in this study use the complex refractive indices shown in Table 2, linearly interpolated between the four wavelengths used in AERONET retrievals, 440, 670, 870, and 1020 nm. For shorter wavelengths (i.e., at 354 and 380 nm), complex refractive index was linearly extrapolated. For longer wavelengths (i.e., at 1059, 1241, and 1558 nm), complex refractive index was set equal to that at the nearest limit of AERONET retrieval wavelengths (i.e., 1020 nm). This extension of complex refractive index introduces little uncertainty into  $C_a$ , because the extension in the UV (from 440 to 354 nm) covers a relatively small wavelength interval, and because  $C_a$  values are themselves relatively small in the IR extension region (1020 to 1558 nm). However, it does introduce significant uncertainty into Ångström exponents that have one or both wavelengths in the IR extension region. This is discussed further in Section 5.

## 4.3 Correlation of diffuse-light correction factors with Reff and Ångström exponents

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Results for diffuse light correction factors  $C_a(\Box,\Box)$  for  $\Box = 440$  nm and the above three  $\Box$  values are shown in the lower rows of Table 2. Figure 4 shows results for  $\Box = 380$  nm,  $\Box = 1.85$ ° as scatter plots vs several parameters. For convenience of display these are shown as

$$f = C_a \square 1. \tag{16}$$

Different groups of aerosols from Table 2 are plotted with different symbols in Figure 4, to aid in showing whether different groups have significantly different relationships to the parameters plotted on the x axes. (See also Section 5.)

The left frame of Figure 4 shows that  $f(380 \text{ nm}, 1.85^{\circ})$  (and hence  $C_a(380 \text{ nm}, 1.85^{\circ})$ ) is correlated with  $R_{\text{eff}}$ , yielding  $R^2$ =0.75 and 0.78 for linear and power-law fits, respectively. (Figure C-3 of Bevington [1969] shows that the probability of obtaining such large values of  $R^2$  from an uncorrelated population with N=22 is <0.001.) Thus, within the set of aerosol cases in Table 2, knowledge of  $R_{\text{eff}}$  can be used to determine  $C_a(380 \text{ nm}, 1.85^{\circ})$  with useful accuracy (rms deviation of data points from the linear and power-law fits is 0.011 and 0.012, respectively). Unfortunately, in most sunphotometer measurements  $R_{\text{eff}}$  of the viewed aerosol is not known. However, the Ångström exponent, defined by Eq. (15) above, can be determined directly from a Sun photometer-measured spectrum  $\Box(\Box)$ , and it is known to be an indicator of aerosol size. Therefore, in the remaining frames of Figure 4 we show scatter plots of  $f(380 \text{ nm}, 1.85^{\circ})$  vs Ångström exponent for two wavelength pairs: 380,1020 nm (middle frame) and 1020,1558 nm (right frame). Also shown are exponential best-fit curves of the form

$$f = C_a - 1 = A \exp(-B \square). \tag{17}$$

Notice that the correlation between  $f(380 \text{ nm}, 1.85^{\circ})$  and  $\Box(380 \text{ nm}, 1020 \text{ nm})$ -- $R^2$ =0.73 (middle frame)--is similar to that between  $C_a(380 \text{ nm}, 1.85^{\circ})$  and  $R_{eff}$  (left frame). Moreover, the correlation is even stronger ( $R^2$ =0.91, right frame) vs Ångström exponent at the longer wavelength pair,  $\Box(1020 \text{ nm}, 1558 \text{ nm})$ . This is an example of a general result of our calculations: that the correction factors were well correlated with Ångström exponent and that the correlation improved as wavelengths  $\Box_1$  and  $\Box_2$  increased. (Evidently this is because longer wavelengths are more sensitive to the larger particles in a distribution, and the larger particles are responsible for the diffuse light effects).

#### 4.4 Parameters of fitting equations for correction factors

The results in Figure 4 suggest a method for determining the most appropriate correction factors  $C_a(\Box,\Box)$  to apply to a given Sun photometer measurement,  $\Box_a(\Box)$ . That is, determine best-fit equations for scatter plots analogous to the middle and right frames of Figure 4 for the appropriate  $\Box$  and  $\Box$ , and use those equations with  $\Box(\Box_1,\Box_2)$  of the measured  $\Box_a(\Box)$ . We have done this for the wavelength range 354-1556 nm. Table 3 lists the best-fit parameters of the fitting equation (17). Also given are the rms deviations of the data points from the fit, which indicate the  $1\Box$  uncertainty of this approach. These diffuse-light uncertainties can be included in the overall AOD uncertainty by using Eq. (A22b) of Russell et al. [1993a]. Figure 5 shows these best-fit curves for  $\Box$ =1.85°, which is the FOV half-angle of the NASA Ames airborne sunphotometers (AATS-6 and AATS-14). At  $\Box$ =1558 nm these corrections are <1% of AOD for

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS all *□*. However, for the shorter wavelengths and smaller *□* values they are significant, ranging up to 10% of AOD for □=354 nm and *□*(380 nm, 1020 nm)=0.

Because f and C decrease with increasing wavelength, applying these corrections to an apparent AOD spectrum,  $\Box(\Box)$ , changes its slope, increasing its Ångström exponents (i.e.,  $\Box(\Box), \Box) > \Box(\Box), \Box$ ), where  $\Box$  and  $\Box$  are the Ångström exponents of the apparent and corrected AOD spectra,  $\Box(\Box), \Box$  ( $\Box$ ), respectively. This raises the question of whether the correction made using an initial, apparent Ångström exponent  $\Box'(\Box), \Box$ ) is an overcorrection, and whether it is necessary to iterate using the Ångström exponent of the corrected AOD spectrum. We have conducted such iterative solutions for example cases. In all cases we found that iteration was not necessary, because the first corrected spectrum,  $\Box(\Box)$ , was virtually identical to the spectrum found in all subsequent iterations (AOD differences <0.001).

## 4.5 Applications

Figure 6 illustrates the application of the correction factors in Table 3 and Figure 5 to vertical profiles of apparent AOD []([]) measured in ACE-Asia. The top row is a case measured by AATS-14 on the Twin Otter; the bottom row is from measurements by AATS-6 on the C-130. In ACE-Asia, the prevalence of dust relative to smaller aerosol particles tended to increase with altitude. This is reflected in the vertical profiles of Ångström exponent shown in the middle frame of each row: Ångström exponent generally decreases in going from the near-surface pollution layer (~0.3 km to 1 or 2 km) to the layer 1 or 2 km above. In addition, the 17 April 2001 example in the top row of Figure 6 shows Ångström exponent decreasing in moving

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS downward from  $\sim$ 0.3 km and 0.1 km, possibly because of a near-surface layer with enhanced seasalt. The vertical profiles of Ångström exponent in each row of Figure 6 were used with the coefficients of Table 3 (equivalently, the curves of Figure 5) to obtain the vertical profiles of correction factors shown in the right frame of each row of Figure 6. Applying these correction factor profiles to the profiles of apparent AOD  $\square$ ( $\square$ ) in the left frames yields the corresponding profiles of corrected AOD  $\square$ ( $\square$ ) also shown in the left frames.

In ACE-Asia, dust frequently occurred with pollution, even in the same layers aloft. Hence effective radii were usually smaller, and Ångström coefficients larger, than would be the case for pure dust. This is reflected by the Ångström exponent profiles in Figure 6: the minimum Ångström exponents attained are [(1020 nm, 1558 nm)] = -0.2 and [(380 nm, 1020 nm)] = -0.4. Hence, the maximum correction factors  $C_a$ -1 are  $\sim$ 5% of AOD at the shortest wavelengths. Although these are less than the  $C_a$ -1 values of  $\sim$ 6% to 10% for the smallest Ångström exponents in Figure 5, they nevertheless produce AOD changes that are clearly evident in Figure 6 for the shorter wavelengths at altitudes below  $\sim$ 3 to 4 km. For example, at wavelength 354 nm below  $\sim$ 0.5 km in the top row of Figure 6, the diffuse light correction increases AOD by  $\sim$ 0.03. This is significant compared to the typical AOD uncertainty of  $\sim$ 0.01 to 0.02 in well calibrated sunphotometer measurements.

Rayleigh optical depths  $\square$  are shown in Figure 6 along with the aerosol optical depths  $\square$ . This is to illustrate the point made in Section 3.2, that  $\square$  is small compared to  $100\square$  for altitudes below  $\sim$ 6 km for wavelengths as short as 340 nm. Hence, the approximation of Eq. (12) for  $C_a$  is valid.

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS Analogous diffuse-light corrections have been applied by Livingston et al. [2003] to AODs obtained by AATS-6 in the Puerto Rico Dust Experiment (PRIDE) and by Redemann et al. [2003] and Schmid et al. [2003b] to AODs obtained by AATS-6 and AATS-14 in the Asian-Pacific Regional Aerosol Characterization Experiment (ACE-Asia). The PRIDE measurements focused on Saharan dust aerosols transported across the Atlantic to the Caribbean. Diffuse light correction factors were based on a limited set of aerosol size distributions and complex refractive indices: essentially the cases under the header "African Dust, AERONET" in Table 2. Despite the exclusion of the other cases in Table 2 (i.e., Asian dust and Asian mixed aerosols, plus maritime aerosols), the correction factors applied to the PRIDE AODs were very similar to those found here for the PRIDE range of  $\square$ (380 nm, 1020 nm): ~0.2 to 0.5. Values of  $C_a$ -1 ranged from a maximum of  $\sim 6\%$  at 380 nm to a minimum of  $\sim 2\%$  at 1021 nm [Livingston et al., 2003]. The diffuse light correction factors applied to ACE-Asia AODs by Redemann et al. [2003] and Schmid et al. [2003] were based on a larger subset of aerosol columnar size distributions and complex refractive indices: essentially all the cases in Table 2 except those under the header "Maritime Aerosol, AERONET". Both Saharan and Asian aerosols were included because we found no significant, systematic differences between the f-vs- scatter plots for the two, and we sought a robust relationship applicable to dust and mixed dust-pollution aerosols from both sources.

For the study reported here, we sought a still more widely applicable relationship. Therefore we extended the data set further, to include the cases headed "Maritime Aerosol, AERONET" in Table 2, which use columnar size distributions and complex refractive indices found by Smirnov et al. [2002]. Inspection of Figure 4 suggests that inclusion of the maritime cases increases the

best-fit *f*-vs-☐ curves, with the increase larger for *f*-vs-☐ (380,1020) (middle frame of Figure 4) than for *f*-vs-☐ (1020,1558) (right frame of Figure 4). To quantify this increase we have solved for the best-fit *f*-vs-☐ curves with and without the inclusion of the maritime cases. We found differences <0.012 in *f*(354 nm)-vs-☐ (380,1020), <0.003 in *f*(354 nm) vs-☐ (1020,1558), and still smaller at all longer wavelengths. All differences between best-fit curves were less than the rms difference between individual points and best-fit curves. (These rms differences are shown by the short-dashed curves in Figure 4 and the error bars in Figure 5.) For AODs less than 0.8 the differences between best-fit curves produce AOD differences less than the typical sunphotometer AOD measurement uncertainty of 0.01 to 0.02. Therefore, we have retained the combination of dust and maritime cases, and we recommend using the resulting best-fit curves (shown in Figure 5, with parameters listed in Table 3) for either dust or maritime cases.

#### 5. Discussion and Cautions

We mentioned in Section 2 that the coarse mode of dust and maritime aerosols typically has  $R_{\text{eff}}=1.1$  to 3.2  $\square$ m, a range that falls into a gap between results of the previous studies cited in Section 1 and listed in Table 1 (which had aerosol  $R_{\text{eff}}=0.2$  to 0.9  $\square$ m, and cloud  $R_{\text{eff}}=6$  to 177  $\square$ m). Indeed, the coarse modes of the aerosol cases included in this study fall into this gap (see the  $R_{\text{eff-c}}$  row of Table 2, which has values from 1.13 to 2.43  $\square$ m). Notice, however, that the presence of the fine mode causes  $R_{\text{eff}}$  of the overall distribution to be considerably less than that of the coarse mode. This can be seen from the  $R_{\text{eff}}$  row of Table 2 and the horizontal coordinates of the points in the left frame of Figure 4: overall  $R_{\text{eff}}$  values range from 0.15 to 0.99. Since  $R_{\text{eff}}$  of the overall distribution is a good predictor of  $C_a$  (see the left frame of Figure 4), the presence

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Considerations of effective radius are also important in distinguishing between diffuse light effects for clouds and for aerosols. Both  $R_{\rm eff}$  and C values for clouds are much larger than those found in this study for dust and maritime aerosols. We caution that the approach of using Ångström exponent  $\Box$  to predict C (as in Figure 5, in the middle and right frames of Figure 4, and in Table 3) will fail for clouds. This is because clouds will have  $\Box\Box=0$ , but cloud C values will be much larger than predicted by the f-vs- $\Box$  relationships in Figures 4-5 and Table 3.

We also caution that our f-vs- $\square$ (1020,1558) relationships are dependent on our adoption of a wavelength-independent complex refractive index over the range 1020-1558 nm. We made this assumption because of a scarcity of information on typical wavelength dependence of complex refractive index in this region. Better refractive index information is needed in this region. However, we did not make such an assumption in calculating our f-vs- $\square$ (380,1020) relationships, instead using complex refractive indices either from AERONET retrievals [Dubovik et al., 2002a,b; , Smirnov et al., 2002] or from chemical information [Wang et al., 2002]. We have found that using our f-vs- $\square$ (380,1020) relationships gives very similar results to using our f-vs- $\square$ (1020,1558) relationships (i.e., the resulting f values differ by <0.03, with very rare exceptions). This is because all the dust-containing cases used to calculate those relationships have curved spectra of  $\ln$  AOD vs  $\ln$   $\square$ , with  $\square$ (1020,1558)< $\square$ (380,1020), and we find this same

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS relationship,  $\Box$ (1020,1558)< $\Box$ (380,1020), for our ACE-Asia AATS-14 measurements of AOD, again with very rare exceptions [Schmid et al., 2003 and personal communication]. This same curvature of dust AOD spectra was previously found by Eck et al. [1999] in the wavelength range 380-1020 nm. The attraction of the f-vs- $\Box$ (1020,1558) relationships is that they have smaller rms deviation of individual cases from the best-fit curves (Figures 4-5). But this must be balanced by the above caution about unknown refractive index wavelength dependence over the range 1020-1558 nm.

Another caution relating to unknown refractive index wavelength dependence concerns the upper limit of the amplitude of the coarse-particle mode. Specifically, in using the dynamic model of Asian dust given by the first Asian dust column of Table 2, we limited the maximum ratio of coarse-to-total volume,  $C_{Vo}/C_V$ , to 0.93. We did this because larger ratios, coupled with wavelength-independent complex refractive index between 1020 and 1558 nm, produced computed AOD spectra that curved upward between those wavelengths (i.e.,  $\Box$ (1020,1558)<-0.02), and we have rarely measured such spectra. However, it is possible that those same size distributions, with  $C_{Vo}/C_V > 0.93$ , coupled with a wavelength-dependent complex refractive index, could yield  $\Box$ (1020,1558)>~=0, in accord with the AOD spectra measured by AATS-14. Such size distributions would have larger  $C_a$  than those shown in Figures 4-6 and Table 3. Again we emphasize that systematic refractive index measurements are needed at wavelengths >1020 nm

Finally, we repeat the caution noted in Section 4.1: when evaluating diffuse-light effects of dust near sources, where angular, sharp-edge shapes are likely to be more dominant, it may be

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## 6. Summary and conclusions

The relatively large size of desert dust and maritime aerosols makes sunphotometry of these aerosols more subject to diffuse-light effects than is the case for smaller aerosols. We have calculated AOD correction factors  $C_a$  for these effects, by applying the analytical expression of Shiobara and Asano [1994] and Kinne et al. [1997] to a wide range of aerosol size distributions and complex refractive indices, using a range of photometer FOV half-angles [] and wavelengths  $\bigcap$  which are representative of a set of currently operational sunphotometers and pyrheliometers. The size distributions and complex refractive indices are based on a wide range of retrievals from AERONET measurements, plus several cases from in situ airborne measurements. Effects of dust non-sphericity have been taken into account to obtain accurate size distributions and refractive indices. Having obtained these accurate size distributions, we calculated diffuse-light correction factors using spherical-particle phase functions, because of the similarity of these phase functions to those of spheroidal particles in the forward-scattering peak. However, we caution that results may have to be increased if the aerosol is dominated by the angular, sharp-edge shapes studied by Kalishnikova and Sololik [2002]. This is more likely to occur near dust sources, before dust particles have acquired coatings of sulfate, organics, or other materials.

RUSSELL ET AL.: DIFFUSE LIGHT CORRECTIONS FOR DUST AND MARINE AEROSOLS We found that the correction factors were well correlated with Ångström exponent  $\square(\square_1,\square_2)$ , and that the correlation improved as wavelengths  $\square_1$  and  $\square_2$  increased. Evidently this is because longer wavelengths are more sensitive to the larger particles in a distribution, and the larger particles are responsible for the diffuse light effects. We found that the correction factors for Asian mixed dust-pollution aerosols, when arrayed as a function of Ångström exponent, did not differ significantly from those for Saharan dust, or even for maritime aerosols (both similarly arrayed). These size distributions have coarse modes with effective radii ranging from 1.1 to 2.4  $\square$ m. However, the persistent presence of a fine-particle mode significantly reduces the effective radius of the overall distribution, with corresponding reductions in diffuse light correction

We find that the corrections are negligible (<~1% of AOD) for Sun photometers with narrow FOV (half-angle []<~1°), but that they can be as large as 10% of AOD at 354 nm wavelength for Sun photometers with []=1.85°. For pyrheliometers (which can have [] up to ~2.8°), corrections can be as large as 16% at 354 nm. We find that AOD correction factors are well correlated with AOD wavelength dependence (hence Ångström exponent). We have provided best-fit equations for determining correction factors from Ångström exponents of uncorrected AOD spectra, and we demonstrate their application to vertical profiles of multiwavelength AOD.

**Appendix: Equations Used to Calculate Size Distribution Parameters** 

factors.

*Volume median radius* (mean logarithm of the radius), computed for both fine and coarse modes:

$$\ln r_{V} = \frac{\prod_{r_{\min}}^{r_{\max}} r \frac{dV(r)}{d \ln r} d \ln r}{\prod_{r_{\min}}^{r_{\max}} \frac{dV(r)}{d \ln r} d \ln r},$$
(A1)

where  $dV(r)/d\ln r$  is the distribution of a given mode, and  $r_{\min}$  and  $r_{\max}$  are the limits of that mode. **Standard deviation** about the volume median radius:

$$\square_{V} = \sqrt{\frac{\prod_{r_{\min}}^{r_{\max}} (\ln r \square \ln r_{V})^{2} \frac{dV(r)}{d \ln r}}{\prod_{r_{\min}}^{r_{\max}} \frac{dV(r)}{d \ln r}}} .$$
(A2)

*Volume concentration* ( $\square m^3/\square m^2$ ):

$$C_V = \prod_{r_{\min}}^{r_{\max}} \frac{dV(r)}{d\ln r} d\ln r. \tag{A3}$$

These equations are general in that their formulation does not assume any function for the size distribution  $dV(r)/d\ln r$ . Nevertheless, they are formulated so that they give the parameters of a log-normal size distribution if  $dV(r)/d\ln r$  is a true log-normal, i.e. if, for a given mode,

$$\frac{dV(r)}{d\ln r} = \frac{C_V}{\sqrt{2\square\square_V}} \exp\left[\frac{(\ln r \square \ln r_V)^2}{2\square_V^2}\right]. \tag{A4}$$

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**Table 1.** Diffuse-light correction factors derived by previous studies.  $R_{\text{eff}}$  is the effective (area-weighted) radius.

Method	FOV half Wave		Particle model	Correction	Reference		
	angle □, °	length,		factor C≡ []			
		□m					
Aerosols							
Monte Carlo & analytical fit	1.0, 1.2, 2.5		Aerosol, $R_{\text{eff}}$ =0.2 $\square$ m	≤1.01	Kinne et al. [1997]		
Monte Carlo & analytical fit	1.0, 1.2, 2.5		Haze-L, $R_{\text{eff}}$ =0.5 $\square$ m	≤1.02	Kinne et al. [1997]		
Monte Carlo & analytical fit	1.2	0.55	Aerosol, $n(r)=r^{-1}$ , $r=4, 3.5$	1.009, 1.03	Shiobara and		
			$(R_{\text{eff}}=0.07, 0.39  \Box m)$		Asano [1994]		
Reagan et al. [1992], Box and	≤2.2	≥0.38	Post-Pinatubo volcanic aerosol,		Russell et al.		
Deepak [1979]			$R_{\rm eff}$ =0.2 to 0.6 $\square$ m	≤1.02	[1993b]		
			$R_{\rm eff}=0.9$	≤1.05			
Analytical with approximations	≤8		Various aerosols		Box and Deepak		
		any	$n(r)=r^{-\square}$ , $\Gamma=5$ to 2	1.0 to 1.8	[1979]		
			$(R_{\text{eff}}=0.02 \text{ to } 7.5 \square \text{m})$				
		0.55	modified gamma	1.0 to 2.0			
Clouds							
Monte Carlo & analytical fit	1.0, 1.2, 2.5		Various clouds, $R_{\text{eff}}$ =6 to 177 $\square$ m	1.2 to 2.5	Kinne et al. [1997]		
Monte Carlo & analytical fit	1.2	0.55	Cirrostratus clouds	2.0	Shiobara and		
					Asano [1994]		

Table 2. Aerosol measurements and retrieved values used in this study

		Asian Dust, AERONET				Asian Aerosol, In Situ			African Dust, AERONET				Maritime Aerosol, AERONET				
a		Asian spheroid dynamic model	22:50	Jeju 11 Apr 22:26 Spheroid	Jeju 11 Apr 23:41 Spheroid	Layer	J Wang Pollution Layer	J Wang Free Trop Doublet	Cape Verde	RR** 10 Jul 14:30 Case 3	RR** 16 Jul 14:30 Case 3	RR** 21 Jul 18:31 Case 3	Lanai	Nauru	Tahiti	Ber- muda	Ascension
	[] (nm)			~ [	~[												
Optical depths and Angstrom coefficients																	
	1020		0.36	0.35	0.34	0.01	0.30	0.18	0.80	0.24	0.19	0.47					
[[,1020]		0.41 to 1.85	0.88	0.40	0.43	1.65	0.52	0.03	0.16	0.27	0.28	0.52	1.00	0.31	0.95	1.22	0.89
		0.32 to 1.95	0.58	0.33	0.38	1.76	0.51	0.02	0.07	0.22	0.20	0.39	0.93	0.20	0.78	1.13	0.75
Complex refractive indices																	
n(_)	440	1.50	1.48	1.58	1.60	1.50-56*		1.51-56*	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36
	670	1.50	1.48	1.55	1.60	1.50-56*		1.51-56*	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36
	870	1.50	1.48	1.52	1.56	1.50-56*		1.51-56*	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36
1.47	1020	1.50	1.48	1.50	1.53	1.50-56*		1.51-56*	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36
k(□)	440	0.0025	0.0023	0.0027	0.0036	0.0000		0-0.0028*	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023			0.0015		
	670	0.0025	0.0007	0.0023	0.0034	0.0000		0-0.0028*	0.0006	0.0007	0.0007	0.0006			0.0015		
	870	0.0025	0.0006	0.0026	0.0041	0.0000		0-0.0028*	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006			0.0015		
	1020	0.0025	0.0006	0.0027	0.0043	0.0000	0-0.047*	0-0.0028*	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0015	0.0015	0.0015	0.0015	0.0015
Single scattering																	
$\square_a(\square)$	440	See text	0.94	0.92	0.91	1.00	0.81	0.94	0.93	0.94	0.95	0.95	0.97	0.94	0.96	0.98	0.97
	670	"	0.98	0.94	0.92	1.00	0.83	0.95	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.99	0.97	0.95	0.96	0.97	0.96
	870	"	0.98	0.94	0.92	1.00	0.86	0.96	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.97	0.96	0.96	0.97	0.97
	1020		0.98	0.95	0.92	1.00	0.87	0.97	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.97	0.97	0.96	0.97	0.97
Parameters of co	lumn an																
r <sub>Vf</sub> (□m)		0.14	0.08	0.13	0.15	0.15	0.18	0.14	0.13	0.11	0.15	0.12	0.15	0.13	0.12	0.14	0.13
$r_{Vc}$ ( $\square m$ )		2.43	2.48	2.53	2.46	1.19	1.74	1.36	1.90	1.86	2.28	1.50	2.74	2.93	3.29	2.55	2.62
□vf		0.47	0.32	0.73	0.70	0.62	0.49	0.41	0.47	0.36	0.54	0.41	0.57	0.49	0.38	0.46	0.40
Uvc		0.67	0.58	0.58	0.59	0.31	0.55	0.61	0.56	0.68	0.69	0.54	0.74	0.72	0.78	0.83	0.78
$C_V ([m^3/[m^2])$		0.025 to 0.22		0.36	0.32	0.01	0.19	0.10	0.66	0.19	0.17	0.32	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.07	0.09
$C_{vc}/C_v$		0.39 to 0.93	0.74	0.92	0.92	0.22	0.85	0.97	0.95	0.88	0.87		0.71	0.92	0.77	0.63	0.76
$R_{\rm eff}$ ( $\square m$ )		0.20 to 0.97	0.27	0.80	0.81	0.15	0.64	0.89	0.99	0.59	0.67	0.49	0.39	0.94	0.42	0.30	0.42
$R_{eff-f}(\square m)$		0.13	0.08	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.16	0.13	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.11	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.13	0.12
$R_{\text{eff-c}}\left( \square m\right)$		1.94	2.08	2.12	2.05	1.13	1.49	1.13	1.62	1.48	1.81	1.30	2.08	2.26	2.43	1.81	1.93
Diffuse light correction factors																	
C(0.6°, [])		1.00 to 1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.000	1.003		1.01	1.00	1.01	1.00	1.005	1.012	1.008	1.004	1.006
C(1.85°, [])		1.01 to 1.07	1.05	1.07	1.06	1.004	1.030		1.06	1.04	1.05	1.03	1.036	1.091	1.053	1.026	1.042
C(2.85°, □)		1.02 to 1.11	1.08	1.12	1.11	1.008	1.055	1.074	1.12	1.08	1.08	1.06	1.060	1.151	1.083	1.043	1.069

<sup>\*</sup>Size dependent. Read 1.50-56 as 1.50 to 1.56, etc.

<sup>\*\*</sup>RR is Roosevelt Roads Naval Air Station, Puerto Rico

Table 3. Parameters of best-fit curves  $f([],[])=A \exp[B \ []([]_1,[]_2)]$ , and of rms deviations from fit  $[]f=f^*[a+b]([]_1,[]_2)]$ 

□ <sub>1,□2</sub> =380,1020 nm													
ſ		<u>□</u> =0	.6°				.85°		□=2.85°				
[] (nm)	А	В	а	b	Α	В	а	b	А	В	а	b	
354	0.0143	-1.3229	0.3090	0.0798	0.1109	-1.3502	0.1932	0.1076	0.1833	-1.3291	0.1463	0.1039	
380	0.0129	-1.2616	0.3138	0.0745	0.1048	-1.3098	0.1990	0.1107	0.1773	-1.2966	0.1516	0.1081	
449	0.0103	-1.1748	0.2998	0.1048	0.0900	-1.2008	0.2048	0.1258	0.1605	-1.2062	0.1560	0.1319	
499	0.0089	-1.0792	0.3012	0.1034	0.0807	-1.1211	0.2091	0.1324	0.1479	-1.1317	0.1619	0.1398	
525	0.0082	-1.0312	0.2958	0.1081	0.0759	-1.0751	0.2099	0.1347	0.1410	-1.0896	0.1634	0.1438	
606	0.0064	-0.8833	0.2968	0.1078	0.0626	-0.9384	0.2159	0.1411	0.1203	-0.9606	0.1707	0.1543	
675	0.0054	-0.7837	0.2892	0.1112	0.0533	-0.8336	0.2199	0.1461	0.1045	-0.8534	0.1789	0.1571	
778	0.0041	-0.6320	0.2858	0.1119	0.0421	-0.6846	0.2252	0.1465	0.0845	-0.7062	0.1879	0.1588	
865	0.0033	-0.5268	0.2812	0.1148	0.0348	-0.5685	0.2326	0.1409	0.0710	-0.5932	0.1974	0.1548	
940	0.0028	-0.4307	0.2804	0.1114	0.0297	-0.4806	0.2400	0.1342	0.0612	-0.5039	0.2063	0.1483	
1019	0.0024	-0.3678	0.2681	0.1136	0.0257	-0.4146	0.2405	0.1352	0.0534	-0.4332	0.2110	0.1462	
1059	0.0023	-0.3921	0.2690	0.1373	0.0239	-0.3777	0.2423	0.1322	0.0499	-0.3956	0.2126	0.1437	
1241	0.0017	-0.2628	0.2566	0.1349	0.0179	-0.2529	0.2422	0.1246	0.0379	-0.2698	0.2175	0.1352	
1558	0.0011	-0.1142	0.2639	0.1100	0.0122	-0.1204	0.2388	0.1096	0.0261	-0.1292	0.2223	0.1151	
□ <sub>1</sub> ,□ <sub>2</sub> =1020,1558 nm													
ļ		<u></u> =0	.6°			□=1	.85°		□=2.85°				
[] (nm)	Α	В	a	b	Α	В	a	b	Α	В	а	b	
354	0.0088	-1.7573	0.3028	0.0048	0.0648	-1.6408	-0.0087	0.2115	0.1057	-1.5441	0.2124	-0.0451	
380	0.0082	-1.7088	0.3139	0.0027	0.0630	-1.6321	-0.0004	0.2108	0.1048	-1.5434	0.1938	-0.0338	
449	0.0071	-1.7011	0.3248	0.0552	0.0582	-1.5986	0.0245	0.2239	0.1015	-1.5366	0.1847	-0.0021	
499	0.0064	-1.6215	0.3341	0.0531	0.0548	-1.5563	0.0391	0.2357	0.0980	-1.5024	0.1944	0.0073	
525	0.0060	-1.5781	0.3410	0.0496	0.0329	-1.5238	0.0330	0.2443	0.0958	-1.4786	0.2014	0.0106	
606	0.0051	-1.4453	0.3552	0.0454	0.0471	-1.4277	0.0511	0.2669	0.0882	-1.3995	0.2231	0.0384	
675	0.0044	-1.3465	0.3644	0.0447	0.0425	-1.3483	0.0752	0.2808	0.0811	-1.3183	0.2399	0.0546	
778	0.0036	-1.1918	0.3708	0.0477	0.0361	-1.2113	0.0912	0.2996	0.0708	-1.1940	0.2613	0.0804	
865	0.0031	-1.0747	0.3660	0.0550	0.0314	-1.0945	0.1304	0.3093	0.0627	-1.0860	0.2733	0.0987	
940	0.0027	-0.9706	0.3721	0.0559	0.0279	-0.9999	0.1096	0.3164	0.0563	-0.9942	0.2825	0.1065	
1019	0.0024	-0.8891	0.3652	0.0662	0.0249	-0.9344	0.1363	0.3185	0.0508	-0.9220	0.2865	0.1318	
1059	0.0023	-0.9765	0.3608	0.1932	0.0235	-0.8910	0.1411	0.3200	0.0482	-0.8805	0.2897	0.1349	
1241	0.0017	-0.7944	0.3441	0.2187	0.0185	-0.7391	0.1524	0.3236	0.0386	-0.7345	0.2963	0.1558	
1558	0.0012	-0.5836	0.3544	0.1886	0.0132	-0.5490	0.1491	0.3220	0.0279	-0.5416	0.3033	0.1450	

## **Figure Captions**

- Volume-vs-size distributions for representative aerosol columns and layers selected from Table 2.
- 2. Phase functions at selected wavelengths for the aerosol size distribution retrieved from AERONET sun-sky measurements at Jeju, Korea, 11 April 2001, 23:41. The size distribution retrieval assumed spheroidal kernels, using the method of *Dubovik et al.* [2002b]. Aerosol phase functions P<sub>a</sub>(□) shown were calculated for this single size distribution, assuming either spheroids or equal-volume spheres. Rayleigh phase function P<sub>R</sub>(□) is shown for comparison.
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- 5. Fits of  $C_a$ -1 vs alpha. Vertical bars show +-1 rms deviation of individual cases from fit.
- 6. Examples of applying the diffuse-light correction factors in Table 3 and Figure 5 to vertical profiles of optical depth measured in ACE-Asia.

#### **Illustrations**

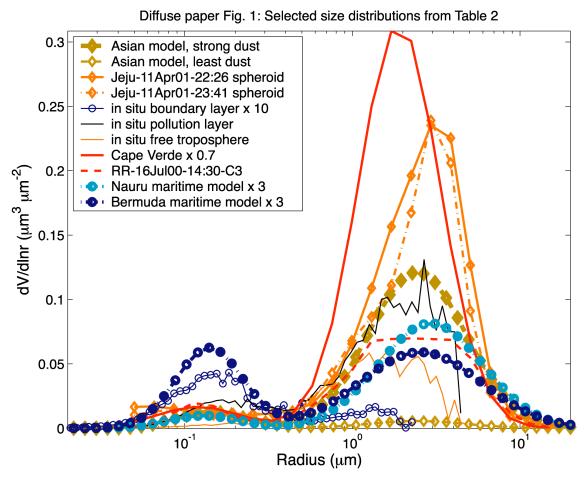


Fig. 1. Volume-vs-size distributions for representative aerosol columns and layers selected from Table 2.

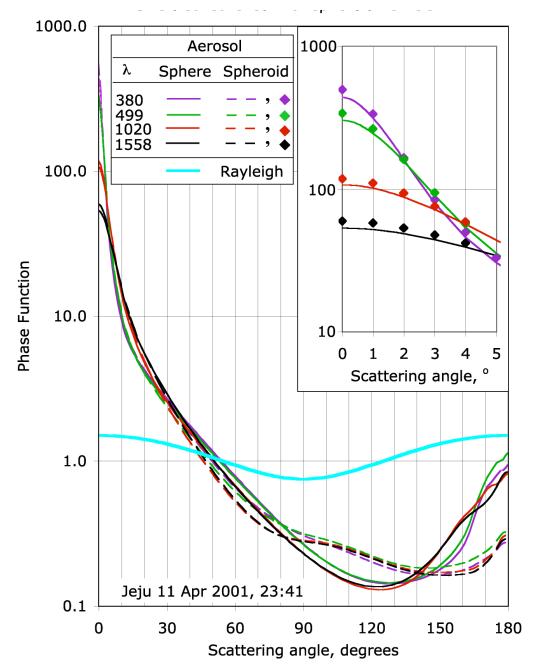


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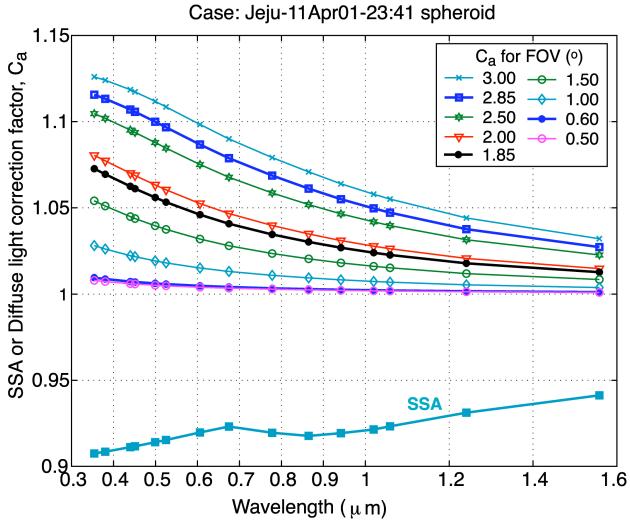


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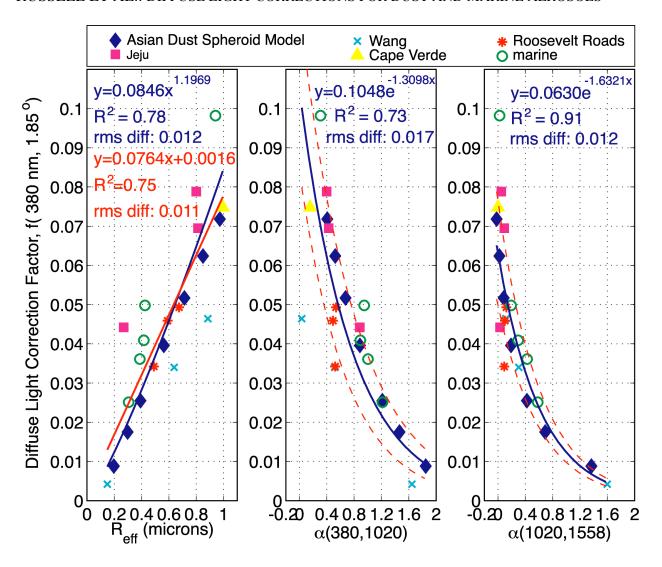
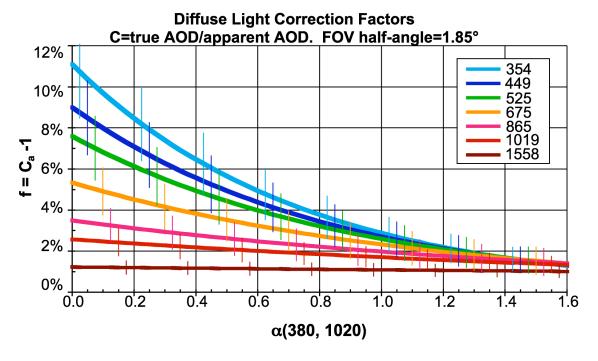


Fig. 4. Scatter plots of correction factors f vs  $R_{eff}$  and Ångström exponents, with fitting equations and measures of fit. Short-dash lines in middle and right frames show rms deviation of points from fit.



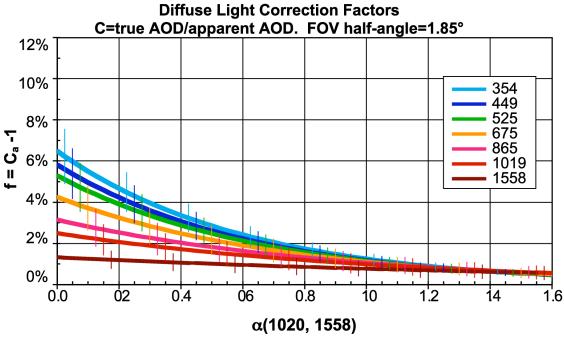


Fig. 5. Fits of  $C_a$ -1 vs alpha. Vertical bars show +-1 rms deviation of individual cases from fit.

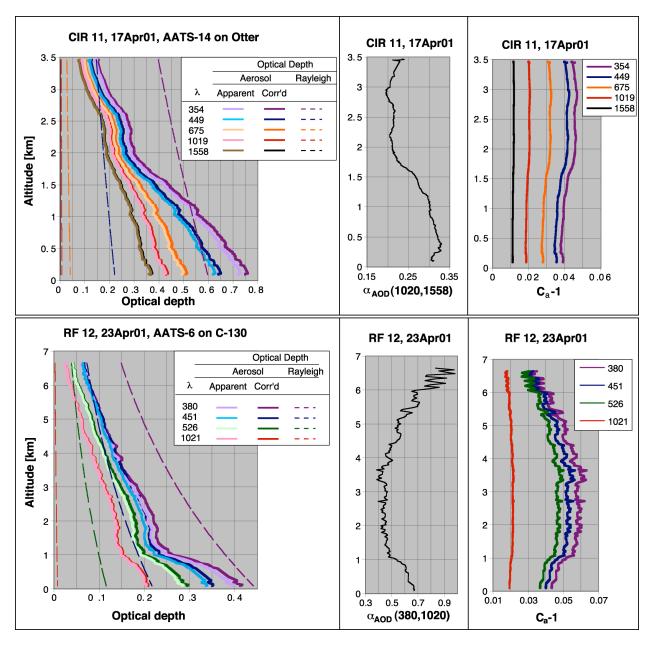


Figure 6. Examples of applying the diffuse-light correction factors in Table 3 and Figure 5 to vertical profiles of optical depth measured in ACE-Asia.