# OPTICAL MEASUREMENTS OF ICE CRYSTALS WITH SID3-LISA

FIRST RESULTS FROM ACI'03 AND FROST EXPERIMENTS

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## Why yet another OPC?

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- Existing commercial instruments (e.g. WELAS) allow for particle size determination; it's OK if ice particles have time to grow (AIDA), but in LACIS it is not the case.
- Therefore, there is a need for reliable detection of ice particles in the presence of droplets and seed aerosol.
- Home-made instrument (TOPS-Ice) allow for ice detection based on ice crystal non-sphericity but delivers no shape information.
- Possibility to register 2D scattering patterns would permit crystal shape classification AND provide valuable data on optical properties of individual ice crystals (validation of scattering codes with respect to backscattering)





### **Optical Layout SID3-LISA** Small Ice Detector – LACIS Ice Scattering Apparatus



## **Optical Layout SID3-LISA**

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## Part I: 2D scattering pattern analysis



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## What do we do with all this images???



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## **Symmetry type detection**



- 1. Divide image into segments
- 2. Define mean pixel value in every segment
- 3. Sum up pixel values along the radial and angular coordinates
- 4. Take the variance



## **Rings & stars**



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#### Some rings are not quite rings, and some stars are not quite stars...

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#### **Counting the ice particles: results from FROST 2 experiment**

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- Image transfer rate is limited to 20 Hz
- Counting with correction is possible up to approx. 16 - 17 Hz





# Time series of droplets / ice populations during the cooling cycle of LACIS



## **Counting the ice particles: results from FROST 2** experiment

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- ATD 300nm uncoated
- Immersion freezing of water droplets





## ACI03 Exp. 23

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CAST soot
AIDA at -40°C
No droplets







## LISA vs. SIMONE: ACI03 - Exp. 23



# Non-spherical shapes: comparison with precalculated patterns?



2D scattering patterns calculated with RTDF (Kaye et al. Opt. Lett., 33(13), 2008.

ACI03, Exp. 29, LISA



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## But what do we do with irregular patterns?



#### Possible approaches:

- Measurements with ice analogs
- Calculations of scattering patterns for irregular crystal shapes
- Combined measurements with PHIPS / CPI / ...?

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## **Part II: Circular Depolarization analysis**



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## How we define the circular depolarization:

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$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Stokes vector} \\ \text{of incident light} \end{array} & S_{0} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{0} \\ Q_{0} \\ U_{0} \\ V_{0} \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \text{Stokes vector} \\ \text{of scattered light} \end{array} & S_{s} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{s} \\ Q_{s} \\ U_{s} \\ V_{s} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \\ \begin{array}{l} \text{Stokes vector} \\ \text{of scattered light} \end{aligned} & S_{s}^{QWP} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{s}' \\ Q_{s}' \\ U_{s}' \\ V_{s}' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} I_{s} \\ Q_{s} \\ U_{s} \\ V_{s} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{s} \\ -V_{s} \\ U_{s} \\ Q_{s} \\ V_{s} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{s} \\ U_{s} \\ U_{s} \\ Q_{s} \end{bmatrix}$$
 \\ \begin{array}{l} \text{Linear depolarization of light} \\ \text{passed through a QWP} \end{aligned} & \delta\_{L}^{QWP} = \frac{PMT\_{2}}{PMT\_{3}} = \frac{I\_{s}' - Q\_{s}'}{I\_{s}' + Q\_{s}'} = \frac{I\_{s} + V\_{s}}{I\_{s} - V\_{s}} = \delta\_{C} \end{array}



## **Depolarization on droplets: "small" droplets**

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## **Depolarization on droplets: "large" droplets**



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# $\delta_{c}$ calculated for backscattering geometry in LISA for water droplets:



Calculations with Mie theory:

scattering into angle range 166° to 172°

λ = 532.8 nm





## **Depolarization on "frozen droplets"**



#### Frozen droplets or evaporating crystals?

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## **Depolarization on ice columns**



## **Depolarization on hexagonal plates**



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## Understanding the high values of $\delta_c$ for hexagonal plates:



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## So what we already can do with LISA?

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#### **D** 2D scattering patterns

- size measurements of spherical particles above 2 μm (by fitting the number of rings) if refraction index is known
- determination of fraction of ice particles in the presence of droplets, if the total rate of image acquisition is below 20 sec<sup>-1</sup>
- ice shape determination, if the relationships (theoretical or empirical) between shape, orientation and 2D scattering pattern are known (hex plates, columns and "frozen drops")
- Rapid classification of ice crystal shapes for several types of habits
- Backscattering
  - Measuring of circular depolarization for ice crystals of known shape and orientation
  - Providing additional parameter for statistical classification of the detected particles



## **Future work**

- D scattering patterns
  - Further development of automatic image classification (improving preprocession, etc.)
  - Adding automatic size evaluation for spherical particles
  - Retrieval of complex shapes from 2D scattering patterns (collaboration with HU)
  - Statistical evaluation of all experiments from FROST and ACI-03
  - Comparison with data from SID3-AIDA
- Backscattering
  - Improving accuracy of the measurements (noise correction)
  - Comparing measured δ<sub>c</sub> for crystals with known shape and orientation with scattering codes (collaboration with HU – RTDF)
  - Statistical evaluation of data collected during FROST and ACI03 experiments

