ON THE INVERSION OF LIGHT SCATTERING DATA

INTO INFORMATION ON AEROSOL PROPERTIES

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The Backus-Gilbert inversion technique was applied to scattering data and calculated examples were given to ascertain its ability to recover the aerosol properties with no a-priori assumptions.¹

In order to cheque this inversion procedure as well as other techniques (such as Daves' and Herman's et al.), a controlled experiment was performed.

The experiment dealt with spherical particles the Mie scattering curves of which was measured by use of a dye-laser. These curves were used to accurately determine the refractive index of the particles.²

Mixtures of three different known sizes were then prepared and the scattering intensity vs. wavelength was measured at 90° scattering angle. The mixtures contained also various known relative concentrations of the three sizes.

The analysis of the measured results will be shown and discussed.

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