Indirect and Semi-Direct Aerosol Campaign (ISDAC) The Influence of Arctic Aerosol on Clouds

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- Key Questions
- Measurements
- Applications

Motivation



- Summertime Arctic sea ice has decreased dramatically in recent years, beyond climate model predictions.
- The Arctic is projected to be ice free during summer within 10-20 years.
- The role of clouds and aerosols in the loss of sea ice is not understood.

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Submicron arctic aerosol concentrations vary widely with season

•Peak in late winter/early spring

•Haze spans the Arctic poleward of the Arctic front

•Mostly sulfate, but unknown contributions from organic and dust



Similar annual cycle for scattering, absorption, black carbon



The Role of the Arctic Front



Sources for surface haze generally lie within the Arctic front

Layers aloft may have sources further south (if they can survive cross-front processes)

Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme, 2006 motivation

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Anthropogenic sources of soot (industrial and biofuel)



Sources in NE Europe and NE China are consistently within or near the mean position of the Arctic front.

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Motivation

- The ARM Program established a permanent site at the North Slope of Alaska for several reasons:
 - Climate models suggest a large *arctic* climate sensitivity due to snow/ice albedo feedback. Snow and sea ice melt each year at the NSA. ARM measurements there could improve understanding of snow and ice albedo feedbacks and how they interact with clouds.
 - The atmosphere at the NSA is colder and drier than at the other ACRF sites, thus permitting important tests of radiative transfer codes using surface-based measurements.
 - Of the three permanent ACRF sites, stratiform clouds are most prevalent at the NSA. Stratiform clouds play important roles in cloud feedback.
 - Glaciated and mixed-phase clouds are common at the NSA, so that studies of glaciation are more convenient at the NSA than at the other sites.
 - Aerosols have a strong seasonal cycle at the NSA. This permits studies of both direct and indirect effects of aerosols.

ISDAC Motivation

- Most studies of cloud-aerosol interactions have focused on warm clouds.
- Cloud-aerosol interactions are much more complex for ice or mixedphase clouds than for warm clouds.
- The Mixed-Phase Arctic Cloud Experiment at the ARM site in Barrow has provided new insight into these interactions.
- The arctic air during April is expected to be much more polluted than the air during M-PACE.
- This contrast provides an opportunity to
 - distinguish between aerosol effects on arctic clouds under clean and polluted conditions
 - evaluate surface-based retrievals of clouds and aerosol at Barrow
 - improve understanding of the scavenging of arctic aerosol during spring
 - identify the chemical signature of ice nuclei in the arctic

Aerosol Models Have Particular Trouble Simulating Aerosol Beyond the Polar Front

- Most of the relative uncertainty in simulated aerosol optical depth and mass loading is in polar regions.
- Most Arctic aerosol comes from midlatitude sources.
- Uncertainty in the treatment of transport is unlikely to cause a 10-fold uncertainty.
- Such uncertainty is probably due to the treatment of scavenging by clouds.

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Aerosol Column Mass



Kinne et al., An AeroCom initial assessment. *Atmos. Chem. & Phys.*, 2006.

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Ice Formation Mechanisms: April vs October



Rangno & Hobbs (2001)

Type IV conditions expected during April.

Type V conditions encountered during October.

motivation

Ice Formation Mechanisms

Slightly Supercooled Stratiform Clouds (Tops 0 to -10 C)

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motivation

Rangno & Hobbs (2001)

A Longwave Aerosol Indirect Effect



Lubin & Vogelmann, Nature 2006

motivation

Key Issues

- 1. How do properties of the Arctic aerosol during April differ from those measured by the M-PACE during October?
- 2. Which processes produce the strong seasonality of the Arctic aerosol? How well can aerosol models simulate the processes that produce the strong seasonality in the Arctic aerosol?
- 3. To what extent do the different properties of the Arctic aerosol during April produce differences in the microphysical and macrophysical properties of clouds and the surface energy balance?
- 4. How well can cloud models and the cloud parameterizations used in climate models simulate the sensitivity of Arctic clouds and the surface energy budget to the differences in aerosol between April and October?
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RISCAM Key Issues

- 1. What is the uncertainty in cloud properties and the associated long wave (nighttime) heating rate profiles derived from ground-based and satellite remote sensor retrieval algorithms?
- 2. To what extent do surface measurements of aerosol number concentrations, size distribution, and cloud-nucleating properties represent the properties of particles entering clouds at cloud base, and how does the measured cloud droplet concentration (size resolved) at the base of the (liquid) cloud correspond to the aerosol distributions?
- 3. What is the spatial variability of aerosol, cloud microphysical properties and vertical velocities, and how does this variability depend on microphysical properties, cloud type and synoptic classification? What is the evolving role of aerosol in the seasonal variability of cloud properties?
- 4. What is the response of the effective radius to environmental aerosol loading for warm clouds in the Arctic?
- 5. What are the surface spectral albedos and their variability over land?

1. How do properties of the Arctic aerosol during April differ from those measured during M-PACE in October?

- Are CCN and IN concentration in the Arctic higher during April than in October?
- What are the physical and chemical properties, including degree of internal mixing, of the arctic CCN and IN during April?
- How do the vertical distributions of the aerosol during April differ from those during October?

2. Which processes produce the strong seasonality of the Arctic aerosol?

- Which processes contribute to the scavenging of arctic aerosol during spring?
- How well can aerosol models simulate the processes that produce the strong seasonality in the Arctic aerosol?

2. To what extent do the different properties of the Arctic aerosol during April produce differences in clouds?

- Do the more polluted conditions during April in the Arctic enhance droplet number, crystal number, cloud optical depth, and longwave emissivity?
- How does the measured variation of Arctic IN with temperature and supersaturation compare against parameterizations used in models?
- Does glaciation enhancement by increased IN dominate glaciation suppression by droplet size reduction associated with increased CCN?
- What is the relationship between IN and ice crystal number and what role does ice multiplication play in determining ice crystal number concentration?
- How do differences in large-scale meteorological forcing and surface conditions affect how cloud properties differ in the polluted April compared with October?
- What role does aerosol absorption of sunlight play in the dissipation of springtime arctic clouds?

3. How well can cloud models and the cloud parameterizations used in climate models simulate the sensitivity of Arctic clouds and the surface energy budget to the differences in aerosol between April and October?

- Can cloud models and parameterizations simulate the seasonal differences in the droplet number, crystal number, glaciation, riming, droplet dispersion, cloud optical depth, and longwave emissivity in the Arctic?
- Can models and parameterizations successfully simulate the partitioning of cloud water and cloud ice in arctic clouds and the longevity of springtime arctic clouds?

4. How well can long-term surface-based measurements at the ACRF NSA locale provide retrievals of aerosol, cloud, precipitation, and radiative heating during April in the Arctic?

• How does the performance of these retrievals depend on stratification, cloud thickness, and cloud phase?

Science of Opportunity

- Small ice crystal issue
- Long-lived mixed phase clouds
- CloudSat and Calipso validation

Aircraft Instruments and Measurements

Instrument	Measurements
Rosemont 102 Probe	temperature
Chilled mirror, Lyman-alpha hygrometers	dew-point temperature
Counterflow Virtual Impactor (ASP)	cloud-borne aerosol
Condensation Particle Counter	total particle concentration (d> 3 nm)
DMA, PCASP	aerosol size distribution (d 0.01-3 μ m)
HTDMA	size-resolved aerosol hygroscopicity (d 0.015 - 0.6 μ m)
DMT CCN counter	CCN concentration (one S)
CCN spectrometer (ASP)	CCN spectrum
CFDC	IN concentration
Aerosol Mass Spectrometer (ASP)	Size-resolved volatile composition
Single Particle Mass Spectrometer (ASP)	Single particle composition
Single Particle Soot Photometer (ASP)	Refractory particle mass distribution (d>100 nm)
Time-Resolved Aerosol Collector / CCSEM/EDX (ASP)	Single particle chemical composition and mixing state
PSAP, nephelometer	optical absorption, scattering
Gust probe	updraft velocity
Gerber probe	LWC
DMT CAPS	temperature, LWC, cloud particle size dist (d 0.5-1500 $\mu\text{m})$
DMT CSI	total condensed water concentration
T-probe	LWC, total condensed water concentration
SPEC CPI	cloud particle image (d 15-2500 μm)
Cloud Integrating Nephelometer	cloud extinction coefficient, asymmetry parameter

Instruments on Aircraft

Instrument	Measurements	Investigator
Atmospheric State		
3 Rosemont 102 probes	Temperature	Mengistu Wolde
NCAR reverse flow probe	Temperature	Walter Strapp
EG7G chilled mirror	Humidity	Walter Strapp
hygrometer		
LICOR LIC2G2	Water vapor and CO ₂ mixing ratio	Mengistu Wolde
Rosemount 858 gust probe	Vertical velocity	Mengistu Wolde
	Liquid/Super-cooled Liquid	
Rosemount icing (RICE)	Detects supercooled liquid	Walter Strapp
probe		
Vibrameter	Detects supercooled liquid	S. Cober
Nevzorov LWC/TWC probe	Liquid and total condensed water	Alexei Korolev
	concentration	
PMS CSIRO King probe	Liquid water concentration	Walter Strapp
	Cloud Microphysics	
DMT Counterflow Virtual	Total water concentration	Walter Strapp
Impactor		
DMT Cloud, Aerosol and	T, liquid water and N _d , cloud particle size	Greg McFarquhar
Precipitation Spectrometer	distribution (0.5 – 1500 μm)	
SPEC Cloud Particle Imager	Cloud particle images (15 – 2500 μm)	Greg McFarquhar
		Paul Lawson
PMS FSSP-100X	Small particle spectrum (3 – 45 µm)	Walter Strapp
PMS 2D2C	Imaging cloud particles (25 – 800 μm)	Walter Strapp
SPEC 2DS	Cloud particle size distribution (50-1000 µm)	Paul Lawson
PMS 2DP	Imaging cloud particles (200 – 6400 μm)	Walter Strapp
DMT CDP	Cloud droplets (2-50 µm)	Greg Kok
Korolev Cloud Extinction	Cloud Extinction	Alexi Korolev
Meter		

Aerosol Instruments on Aircraft

Instrument	Measurement	Investigator	
Aerosol			
Condensation Nuclei	Total particle concentration (> 3 nm)	Peter Liu	
Counter (TSI 3775)			
Ultra High Sensitivity	Aerosol size distribution (100-3000 nm)	Peter Liu	
Aerosol Spectrometer			
(UHSAS)			
DMT CCN counter	CCN concentration	Alex Laskin	
Continuous Flow Diffusion	Ice nucleus concentration	Sarah Brooks	
Chamber			
Radiance Particle/Soot	Optical absorption	John Ogren	
Absorption Photometer			
(PSAP)			
Nephelometer	Optical scattering	John Ogren	
3 laser photo-acoustic	Aerosol absorption and scattering (405, 532	Manvendra	
spectrometer (PAS)	and 781 nm)	Dubey	
DMT Single Particle Soot	Incandescent (black carbon) particle mass	Greg Kok	
Photometer (SP2)	distribution		
Single Particle Laser	Single particle size-resolved composition	Alla Zelenyuk	
Ablation Time of flight	(refractory and non-refractory material)		
mass spectrometer			
(SPLAT)			
Time-Resolved Aerosol	Time-resolved substrate for lab analysis (0.1 –	Alex Laskin	
Collector (TRAC)	7 μm)		
Aerosol Sample Collection			
Aerosol inlet	Isokinetic aerosol inlet	Peter Liu	
Counter-flow Virtual	Separation of residual aerosol	Ann-Marie	
Impactor		McDonald	

ASP support

Aerosol Instrument Configuration



Radiometers and Remote Sensing on Aircraft

Instrument	Measurement	Investigator	
	Radiometers		
Infrared Thermometer	Cloud emissivity; Nadir view, narrow	Walter Strapp	
	field of view		
Broadband visible radiometers	Hemispheric radiometers, zenith and	Chuck Long	
	nadir		
Broadband Pyrgeometers	Hemispheric infrared fluxes, zenith and	Chuck Long	
	nadir view		
Remote Sensing			
ProSensing up-looking G-band	Water vapor and liquid water path	Mengistu Wolde	
radiometer	above aircraft		
Ka-band up/down looking radar	Radar cross sections	Walter Strapp	
X-band/W-band Doppler radar,	radar cross sections, hydrometeor type	Mengistu Wolde	
dual polarization, up/down/side	identification	-	
looking			

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Surface Measurements

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Radiosonde	Temperature, humidity, winds profiles	ACRF Barrow
Microwave radiometer	Water vapor path, liquid water path	ACRF Barrow, Atqasuk
Microwave radiometer profiler	Temperature, humidity, LWC profile	ACRF Barrow
915 MHz radar wind profiler/RASS	Winds, virtual temperature profile	ACRF Barrow
Vaisala ceilometer	Cloud base altitude	ACRF Barrow , Atqasuk
AERI	Temperature, humidity profiles, water path, optical depth, and effective radius of the ice and water component of mixed-phase clouds	ACRF Barrow
Cimel sunphotometer	Aerosol optical depth	ACRF Barrow
MFRSR	Aerosol optical depth multiple wavelengths	ACRF Barrow , Atqasuk
NIMFR	Aerosol optical depth	ACRF Barrow
Upviewing radiometers	Downward longwave, solar radiance	ACRF Barrow , Atqasuk
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Spectroradiometer	Cloud optical depth, effective radius	ACRF Barrow
Hotplate rain gauge	Precipitation	ACRF Barrow , Atqasuk
Humidified nephelometer	Aerosol scattering as f(RH)	CMDL Barrow
PSAP	Aerosol absorption	CMDL Barrow
Condensation nuclei counter	Total particle number	CMDL Barrow
PCASP	Accumulation mode size distribution	CMDL Barrow
CCN	CCN concentration (one supersaturation at a time)	CMDL Barrow
Daily chemical analysis	Submicron mass, ion concentration	CMDL Barrow
Snow gauge	Snowfall	CMDL Barrow

Surface Measurements

Instrument

Radiosonde Microwave radiometer Microwave radiometer profiler 915 MHz radar wind profiler/RASS Vaisala Ceilometer Millimeter cloud radar Micropulse lidar (polarized) AERI

Cimel sunphotometer Multi-Filter Shadowband Radiometer

Humidified Tandem DMA

ASD spectroradiometer

Normal incidence multifilter radiometer Upviewing radiometers Downviewing radiometers Hotplate rain gauge

Measurements

Temperature, humidity, winds profiles Water vapor path, liquid water path Temperature, humidity, LWC profile Winds, virtual temperature profile Cloud base altitude Cloud liquid water, cloud ice content profiles Aerosol backscatter profile, depolarization ratio Temperature, humidity profiles, water path, optical depth, and effective radius of the ice and water component of mixed-phase clouds Aerosol optical depth Aerosol optical depth at multiple wavelengths cloud optical depth, cloud fraction **Size distribution of aerosol number &** hygroscopicity

Cloud optical depth, effective radius

Aerosol optical depth Downward longwave, solar irradiance Upward longwave, solar irradiance Precipitation

ASP Instruments and Measurements

Instrument	Measurement
Counterflow Virtual Impactor	Cloud-borne aerosol
Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer	Aerosol size distribution 3-1000 nm
PCASP	Aerosol size distribution 0.1-3 μm
TSI 3010, 3025A	Total aerosol number
DRI CCN Spectrometer	CCN spectrum
Particle-in-Liquid System	Particle ionic composition
Aerosol Mass Spectrometer	Size-resolved composition
Time-Resolved Aerosol Collector / CCSEM/EDX	Single particle chemical composition and mixing state
DRI Photoacoustic	Aerosol absorption

Applications

Experiment	Input Data	Validation data	Lead
CCN closure	Aerosol size distribution	CCN concentration	Don Collins
	Hygroscopicity size dist		
Droplet number	Aerosol size distribution	Droplet number concentration	Steve Ghan
closure	Hygroscopicity size dist	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	
	Vertical velocity		
Cloud water	Cloud particle size	Total water content (TWC)	Greg McFarquhar
closure	distribution		
Cloud	Cloud particle size	Cloud extinction	Greg McFarquhar
extinction	distribution		
closure			
Aerosol	Aerosol size distribution	Aerosol extinction	Claudio Mazzoleni
extinction	Aerosol composition		
closure			
Cloud modeling	Aerosol size distribution	Cloud particle size distribution	Ann Fridlind
	Hygroscopicity size dist	Liquid water content (LWC)	
	Ice Nuclei conc (T,S)	TWC	
	Downward longwave at top		
	u,v, T, q	precipitation	
	Surface fluxes & large-scale forcing profiles	Cloud extinction	
Semi-direct effect	Same as for cloud modeling, plus the following	Same as for cloud modeling	Ann Fridlind
	Aerosol absorption	i i	
	Aerosol scattering		
Ice crystal	Size-resolved composition of	IN(T,S)	Sarah Brooks
nucleation	residual aerosol		
Relation	IN(T,S _i)	Crystal size and habit	Greg McFarquhar
between IN and	temperature	Cloud particle size	
ice crystal concentration	humidity	distribution	
Ì	water-ice interface		

Retrieval Applications

Experiment	Input Data	Validation Data	Lead
Aerosol	Aerosol attenuated	Aerosol scattering	Connor Flynn
retrieval	DackScatter	Aerosol absorption	
CCN retrieval	Aerosol backscatter	CCN	Steve Ghan
	Aerosol scattering		
	Relative humidity		
	Surface CCN		
	humidification function		
MMCR	Radar reflectivity	LWC	Matthew Shupe
retrievals		TWC	7
MWR retrievals	Microwave radiance	LWC	Dave Turner
AERI retrievals	Infrared radiance spectrum	TWC	Dave Turner
		LWP	
		Cloud particle size	
		distribution	
		Cloud extinction	
ASD retrievals	Solar radiance spectrum	Same as for AERI	Dan Lubin & Andrew Vogelmann
MFRSR	Direct and diffuse radiance	Aerosol scattering and	Qilong Min
retrievals	at multiple wavelengths	absorption	
BBHRP	Vertical profiles of cloud properties, T, q	Net longwave irradiance profile	Eli Mlawer
Full Flux	Surface direct and diffuse	Cloud optical depth	Chuck Long
Analysis	SW and LW radiance, temperature		

Applications

Experiment	Data Input	Validation Data
CCN closure	Aerosol size distribution Hygroscopicity distribution	CCN concentration
Droplet number closure	Aerosol size distribution, hygroscopicity distribution, vertical velocity	Droplet number concentration
Cloud water closure	Cloud particle size distribution	Total condensed water content
Cloud extinction closure	Cloud particle size distribution	Cloud extinction and optical depth
CCN retrieval	Aerosol backscatter, scattering and relative humidity profile, surface CCN and humidification function	CCN concentration
Cloud property retrievals	Radar, lidar, AERI and microwave radiometer measurements, ASD spectroradiometer	Aircraft measurements of cloud particle size, LWC, IWC, phase and optical depth
Cloud modeling	Aerosol size distribution profile Hygroscopicity distribution IN(T,S _i) profile Meteorological profile, surface fluxes & large- scale forcing profiles	Cloud particle size distribution, LWC, IWC, temperature, humidity, cloud base, cloud phase, precipitation, cloud optical depth
Aerosol scavenging	Same as for cloud modeling	Cloud-borne aerosol
Semi-direct effect	Aerosol size distribution Hygroscopicity distribution IN(T,S _i) profile, aerosol absorption	
Relation between IN and ice crystal concentration	$IN(T,S_i)$ in clear air input to a cloud, humidity and temperature profiles, Ice crystal shape & size distribution, observations of water-ice interface	Crystal habits compared against expected habits (lab experiments) from T, S _i to assess primary and secondary nucleation mechanisms

Applications

- CCN closure
- Droplet number closure
- IN closure
- Crystal number closure
- Cloud water closure
- Cloud extinction closure
- Aerosol extinction closure
- Cloud modeling
- Semi-direct effect
- Aerosol and cloud retrievals

Aerosol Scavenging

- Two conditions for wet scavenging of aerosol:
 - Attachment to hydrometeor
 - Precipitation of hydrometeor
- Evaluate first condition by comparing simulated and observed partitioning of aerosol between interstitial and cloudborne
- Evaluate second by comparing simulated and observed hydrometeor size distribution and precipitation rate



Henning, Bojinski, Diehl, Ghan, Nyeki, Weingartner, Wurzler,and Baltensperger: Aerosol partitioning in natural mixed-phase clouds. GRL 2004.

Cloud Modeling: M-PACE vs ISDAC

- ISDAC and M-PACE boundary conditions are likely to be very different because of the much more extensive ocean water during M-PACE
- Separate influence of different boundary conditions from different aerosol by performing four simulations:
 - M-PACE aerosol and boundary conditions
 - M-PACE aerosol and ISDAC boundary conditions
 - ISDAC aerosol and M-PACE boundary conditions
 - ISDAC aerosol and boundary conditions.

Cloud Modeling: Semi-Direct Effect

• Run with and without radiative heating by aerosol

Deployment

- Instruments mounted on Canadian National Research Council Convair-580 aircraft
- 11 sorties out of Fairbanks during period April 1- 30
- Each sortie 8.5 research flight hrs: fly to Barrow, sample, refuel, sample, return to Fairbanks
- Total of 94 research flight hours

Flight Patterns

- Horizontal transects
 - above, below or between cloud
 - in cloud
- Spiral profiling
- Missed approaches at Barrow airport
- Porpoising
- Coordination with other aircraft (NASA DC-8, P-3 and B200, NOAA WP-3D)

Sampling Issues

- Low cloud
 - Missed approach limits sampling below cloud
- Icing
 - sample aerosol before entering liquid cloud
- Sampling statistics
 - 10 minutes aerosol outside cloud
 - > 30 minutes inside glaciated cloud for SPLAT & AMS



Cloud Frequency



