2-Dimensional Probe Aircraft Measurements



NASA IMPACTS 2022 Cloud Probes



SARPEC Cloud Probes





Size Range Classification of Cloud Probes

Measurement Size Range



Two Dimensional Cloud (2D-C) Probe Optics



Image Array Elements

- The zeros (0) Denote Extinction of a photodiode by 50 %.
- The ones (1) Represent less than 50 % extinction.
- At 100 m s⁻¹ and 25 um resolution along flight path, there are 4 million image slices per second.



Effective Width of the Array

- All-in (Entire-in Particle) Method
- Center-in (Most of Particle) Method
- Reconstructed Method





Width

All-in (Entire-in) Processing $w(cm) = [RS*(N-1)-(D)]*10^{-4}$ $w(cm) = [RS*(N-1)-(I*RS)]*10^{-4}$

- w Effective Width of the Array
 D Diameter of Sphere (um)
 N Number of Array Elements
 - **RS Probe Resolution (um)**
 - **I Number of Diodes Shadowed**

$$w(cm) = RS[31 - I] * 10^{-4}$$
 N - 32 for 2-DC

Center-in Processing

$$w(cm) = [RS * N] * 10^{-4}$$

w – Effective Width of the Array
N – Number of Array Elements
RS – Probe Resolution

$$w(cm) = RS * 32 * 10^{-4}$$

N – 32 for 2-DC





SV = SA * TAS * t

SA = DOF * w



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House8	1	426					
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125.0	- 175.0 65	6.1					
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2-DC Spinning Disk







May 12, 2010 Ground Test with Spinning Disk on 2DC Probe





Images from 2-DC Probe

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Images from 2-DC Probe





2-DC Probe: Spheres



2-DC Probe: Needles



2-DC Probe: Dendrites

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2-DC Probe: Irregulars

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Images from 2-DC Probe





Droplet Effective Radius



Sampling between cloud base and cloud top during time interval 49,100 to 50,800 sfm on 2 April 2008. Left panel shows all observations, while right panel only includes FSSP concentrations at STP greater than 100 #/cm³. The blue line is the approximate rate of increase of effective droplet radius with height.



content equivalent (1 Hz) at 18,000 ft measured by 2-DC probe on a research flight in Saudi Arabia.

Liquid water

9 April 2009 Flight



Images from the 2-DC between 13:00:26.45 and 13:00:28.19 (less than 2 seconds total) which correspond to the maximum liquid water content equivalent (1 Hz data) measured by 2-DC probe between on 9 April 2009 research flight in Saudi Arabia.

9 April 2009 Flight



2-DC images between 13:24:52.46 and 13:24.59 (9 seconds total) which correspond to the low liquid water content equivalent (1 Hz data) measured by 2-DC probe on 9 April 2009 research flight in Saudi Arabia.

Conclusions

- It is important to conduct performance test on the 2DC using a spinning disk.
- It is important to clean the 2DC optics.



Conclusions Liquid Droplets are round, ice is not.



Any Questions