

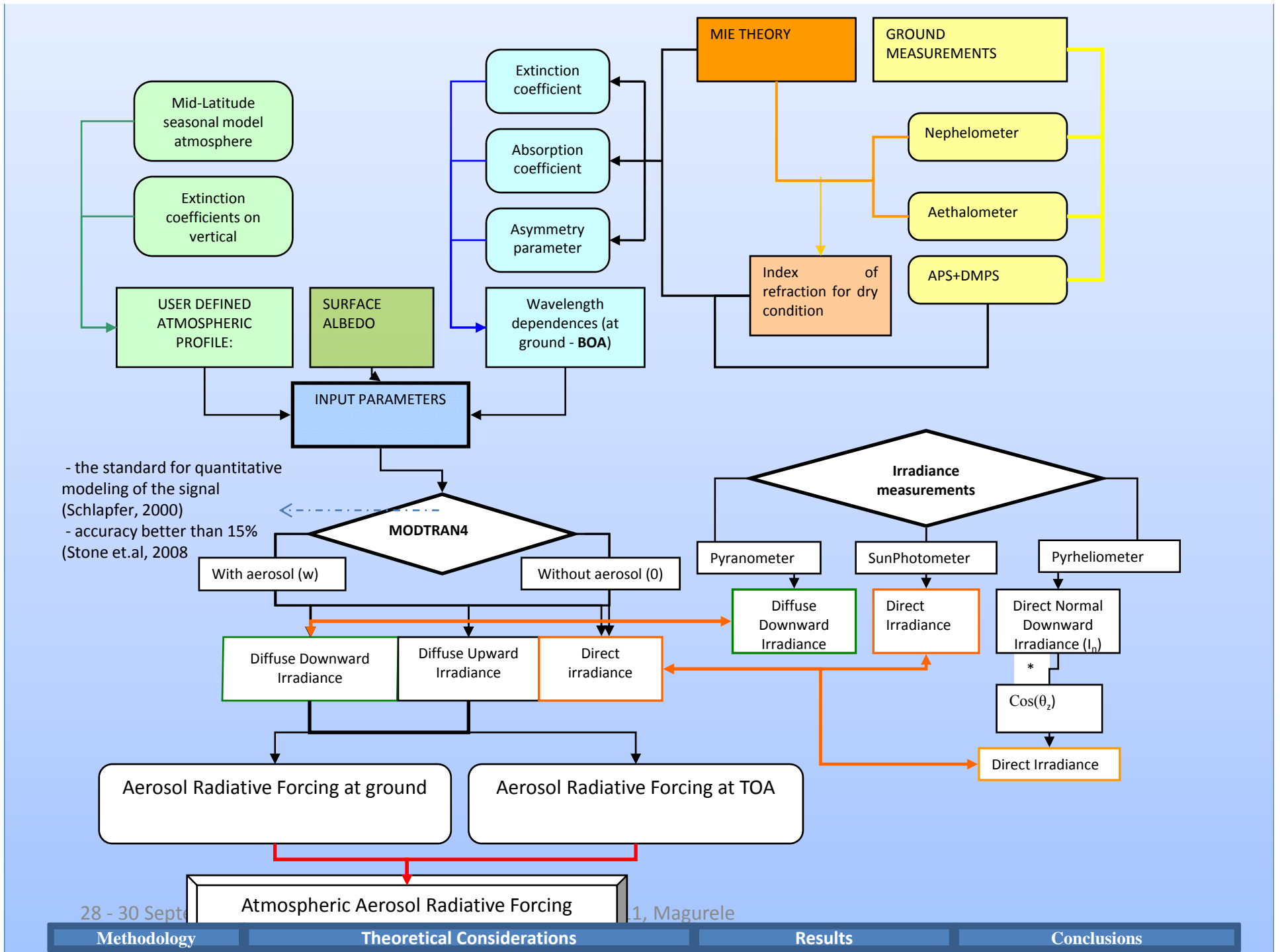


# **AEROSOL RADIATIVE FORCING ESTIMATION USING GROUND BASED MEASUREMENTS AND MODTRAN4**

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# Methodology

## INPUT PARAMETER

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## Sensitivity selections:

-solar irradiance on the top of the atmosphere was extracted from the build in Thuillier plus corrected Kurucz MODTRAN database

-mid – latitude atmospheric profile was chose from Anderson database

-fluxes were integrated over a spectral range of 0.2 – 40  $\mu\text{m}$ , with a spectral resolution of 5  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

-radiative transfer equation was solved using the Discrete Ordinate Radiative Transfer (DISORT) multiple scattering algorithm with 8 streams and correlated – k treatment, using 17 absorption coefficients per spectral bin of 1  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (Stamnes et al., 1988)

For each hour it is generated one input file .tp5 using Matlab codes

## OUTPUT PARAMETERS

| LAYER | CALC ALTITUDE (KM) | PRESSURE (MB) | COOLING RATE  |                   | TOTAL FLUX   |                  | TOTAL THERMAL  |                  | SCATTERED SOLAR |                  |
|-------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
|       |                    |               | TOTAL (K/DAY) | NO DIRECT (K/DAY) | TOTAL (W/M2) | UP-DN-DIR (W/M2) | FLUX UP (W/M2) | FLUX DOWN (W/M2) | FLUX UP (W/M2)  | FLUX DOWN (W/M2) |
| 1     | 0.000000           | 1018.004944   | -14.183376    | -3.840154         | -245.907196  | 360.950562       | 226.751755     | 43.575005        | 95.234718       |                  |
|       | 0.060000           | 1010.325073   | -11.399036    | -0.883534         | -258.005585  | 352.411499       | 225.501572     | 45.076332        | 92.061821       |                  |
|       | 0.120000           | 1002.703125   | -9.072850     | 1.595899          | -268.334839  | 345.473816       | 224.250900     | 46.553566        | 88.666054       |                  |
|       | 0.180000           | 995.138672    | -7.204819     | 3.598143          | -276.894958  | 340.137482       | 222.999725     | 48.006702        | 85.047401       |                  |
| 2     | 0.240000           | 987.631470    | -5.794942     | 5.123200          | -283.685974  | 336.402496       | 221.748077     | 49.435741        | 81.205879       |                  |

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Rural and forests area  
(*Clerici and Melin, 2008*)

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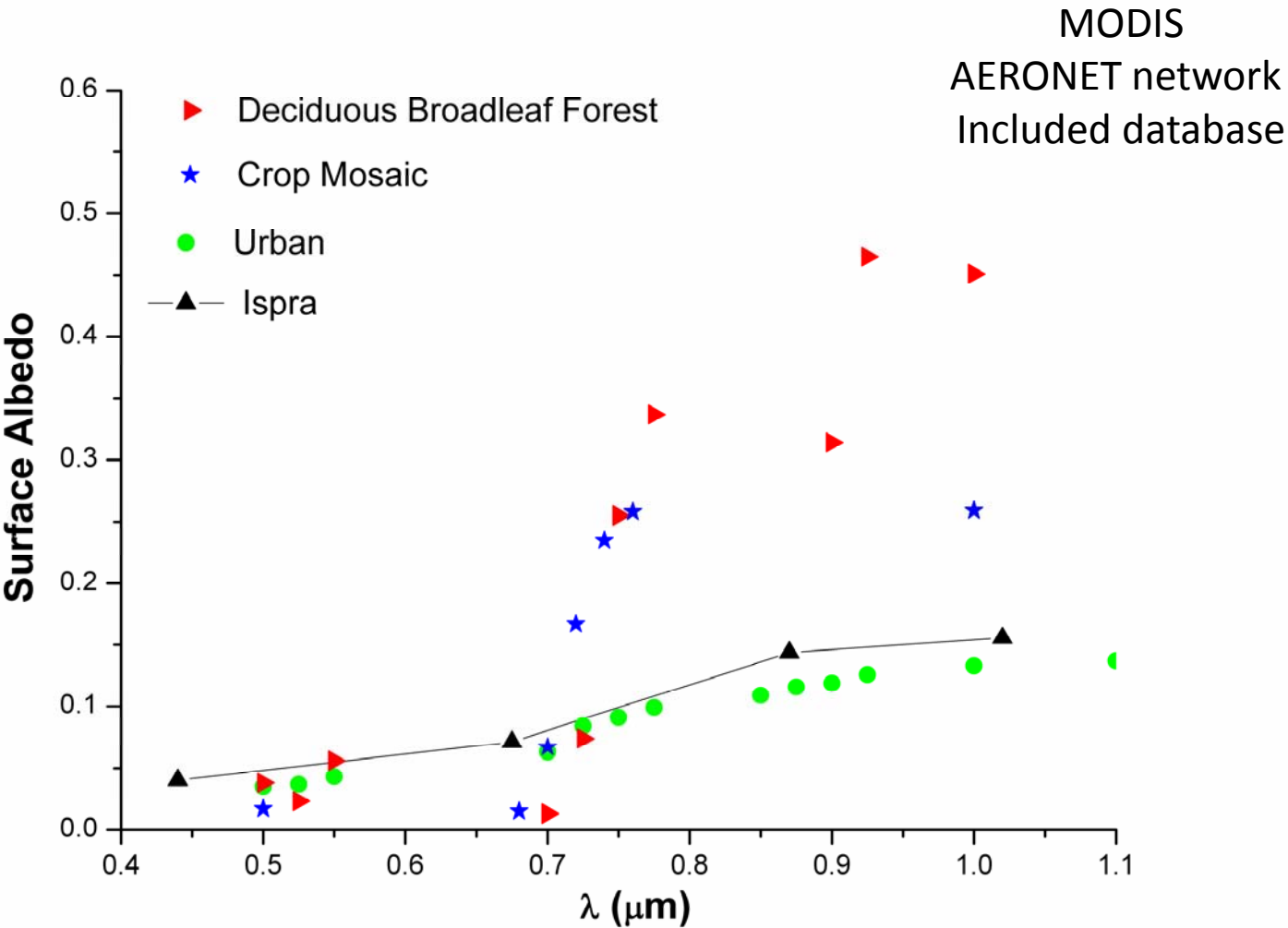


FIG1. The surface albedo measured at Ispra compared with the urban, deciduous broadleaf forest and crop mosaic (standard values from internal data of MODTRAN4) .

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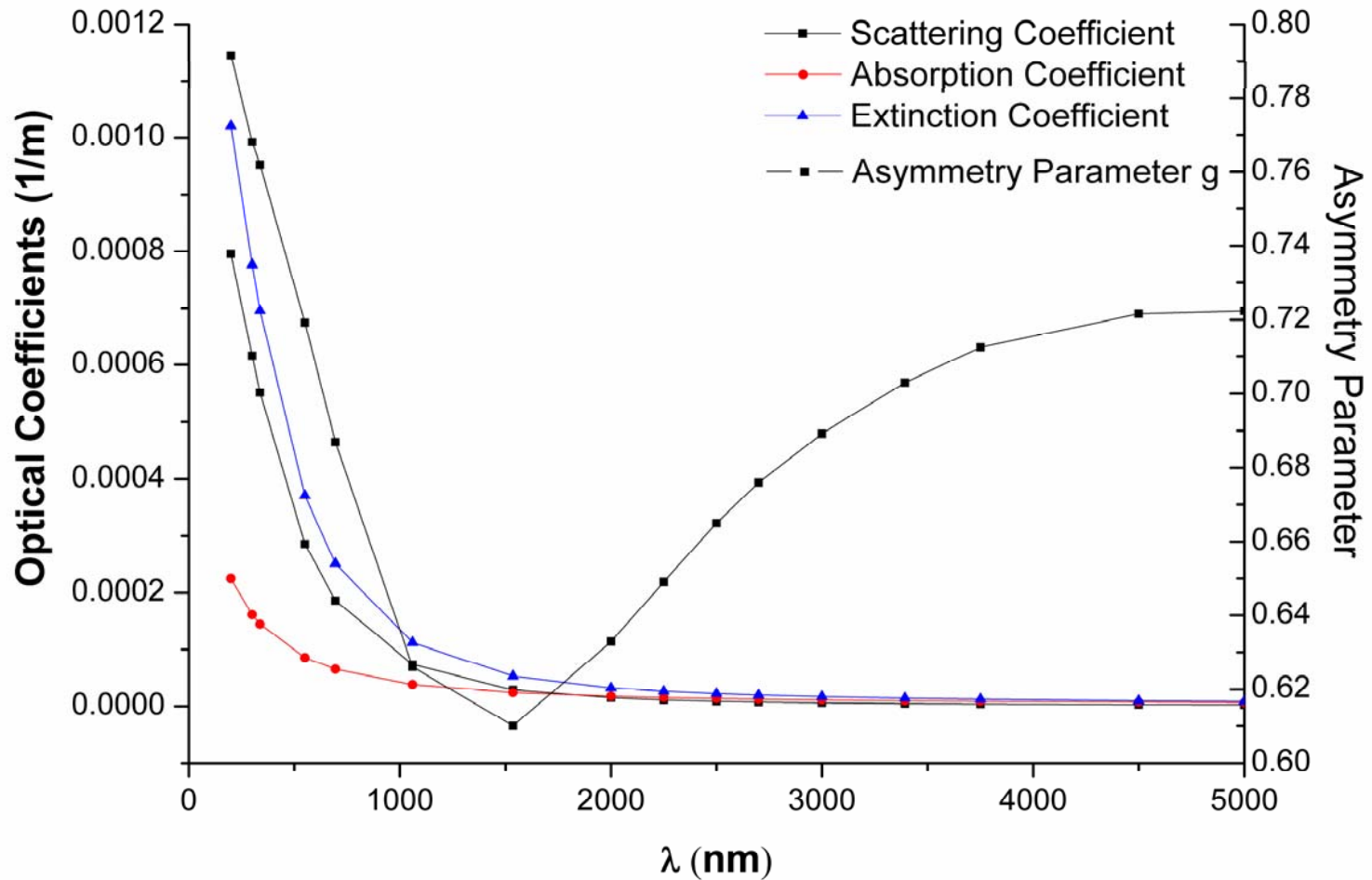


FIG2. The optical parameters determined from in situ measurements for 1<sup>st</sup> February 2007 at IT04 EMEP Station – Ispra. The parameters were used as input parameter for MODTRAN4.

# Theoretical considerations

$$\Delta F_{ATM} = \Delta F_{TOA} - \Delta F_{BOA}$$

$$\Delta F_{BOA} = (F_{BOA}^W - F_{BOA}^Q) - (F_{BOA}^W - F_{BOA}^Q)$$

$$\Delta F_{TOA} = -(F_{TOA}^W - F_{TOA}^Q) + (F_{TOA}^W - F_{TOA}^Q)$$

$$F_{\downarrow} = F_{atm} + F_{latff\downarrow} + F_{therm\downarrow}$$

$$F_{\uparrow} = F_{therm\uparrow} + F_{latff\uparrow}$$

$$\Delta F_{BOA} = (F_{atm} + F_{latff} - F_{\uparrow})^W - (F_{atm} + F_{latff} - F_{\uparrow})^Q$$

(Gomez et.al., 2010; Henzing et.al., 2004)

$$\Delta F_{BOA} = (F_{atm} + F_{latff})^W - (F_{atm} + F_{latff})^Q$$

(Clerici and Melin, 2008)

$$\Delta F_{TOA} = -F_{\uparrow}^W + F_{\uparrow}^Q$$

(Roger et.al., 2006)

# Results

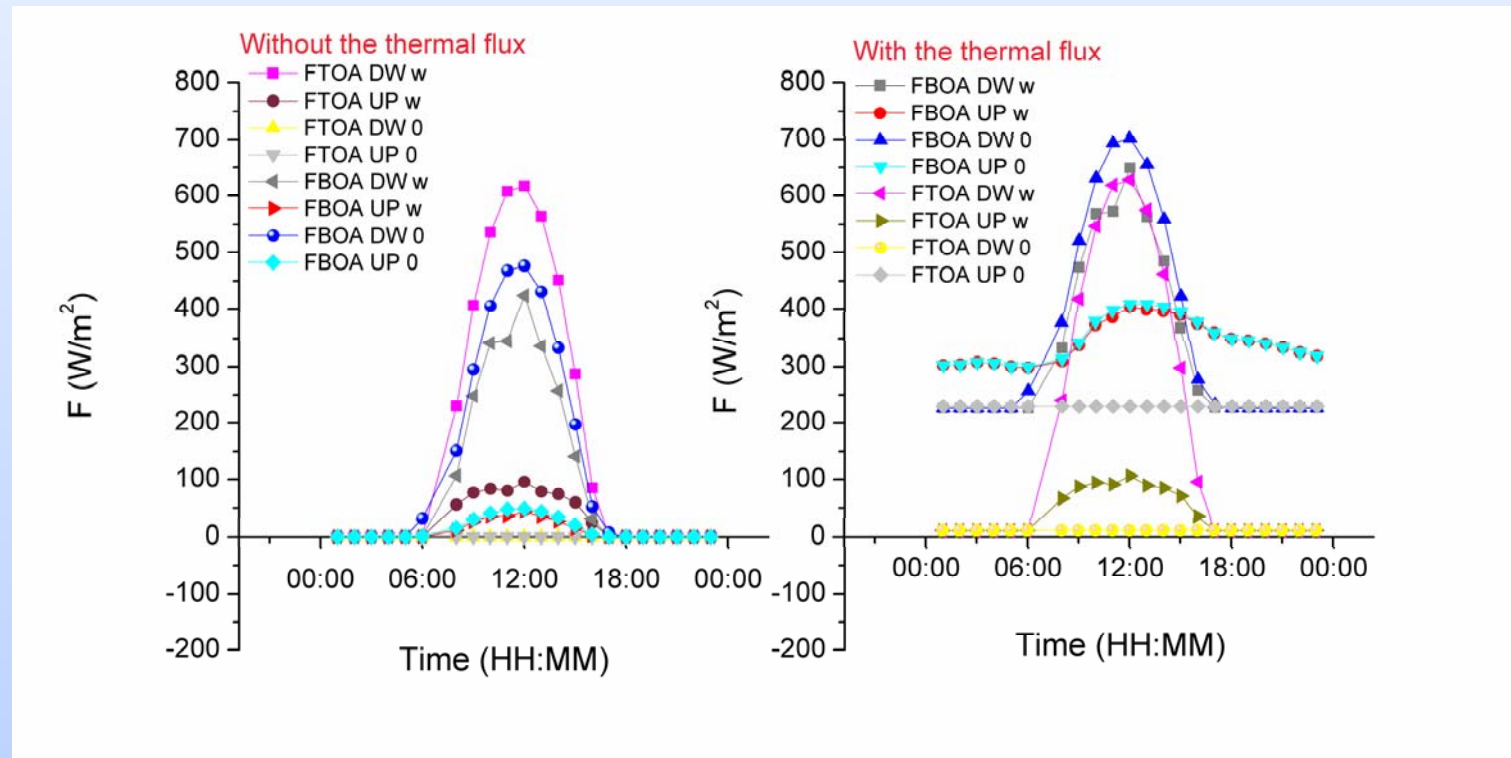


FIG3. Net fluxes (at the bottom of the atmosphere and top of the atmosphere) calculated on downward (DW) and upward (UP) directions for two situations: considering the thermal component of net flux and without this component. Both graphs were made for loaded (w) and clear atmosphere (0).



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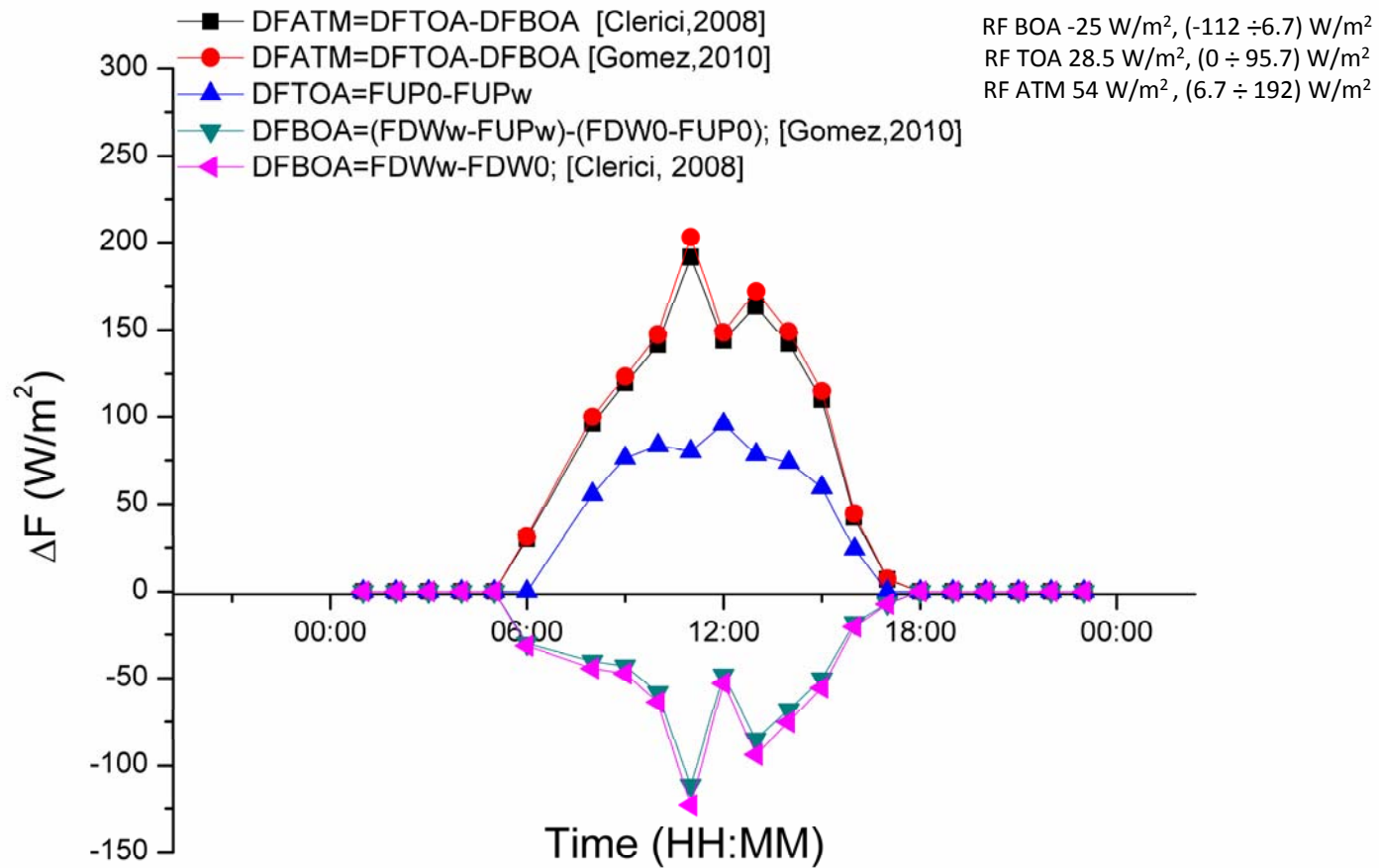


FIG4. The radiative forcing at the bottom of the atmosphere (BOA), top of the atmosphere (TOA) and atmospheric column (ATM).

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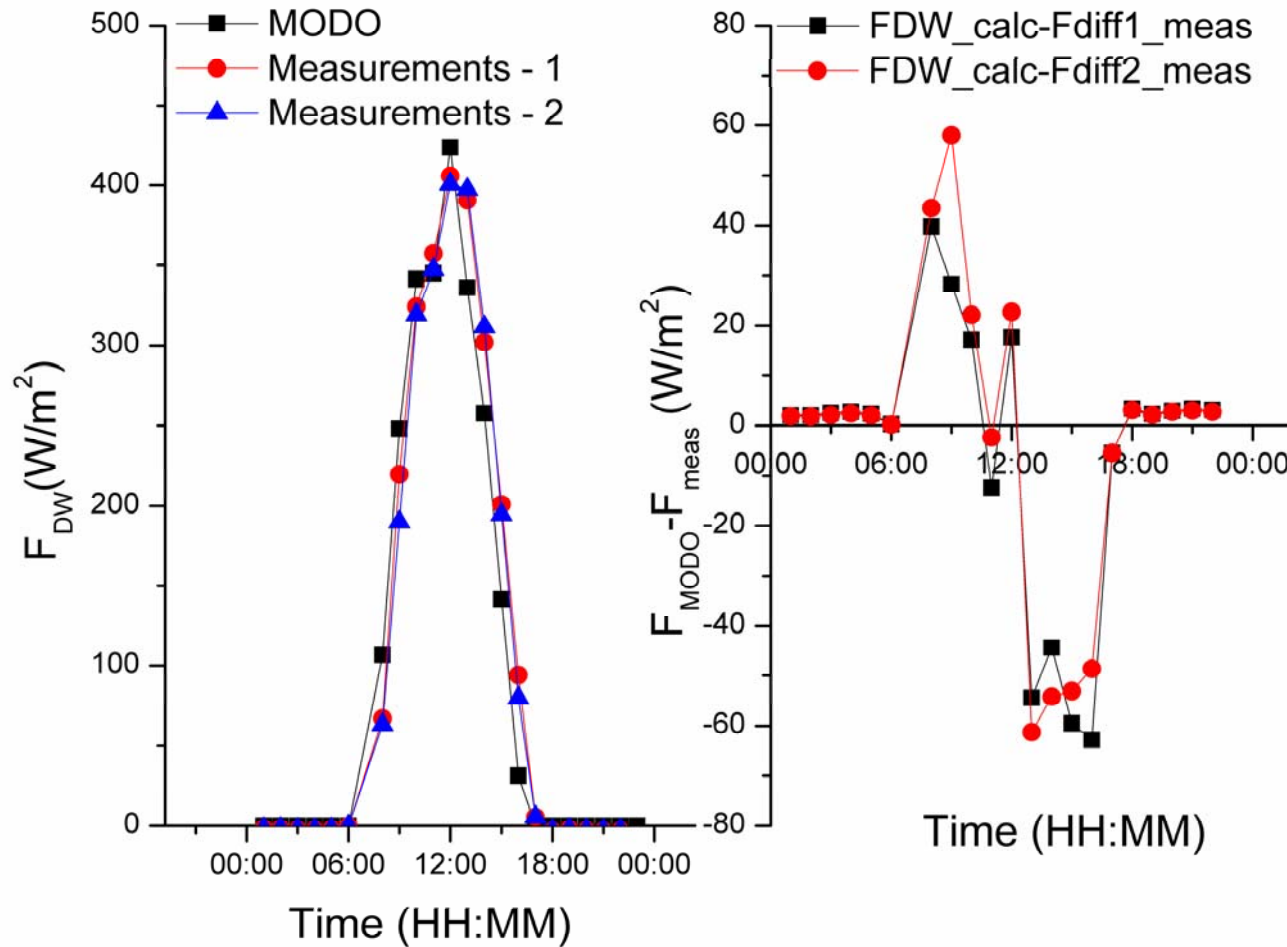


FIG5. Calculated and measured downward flux at the surface (left) and their difference (right).

## Conclusions and Final Remarks

- Measurements data and Mie calculations were used to obtain the input parameters for MODTRAN for the entire spectral range of 0.2 – 40  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- The clouds effects were noticed on the thermal fluxes at BOA and especially at TOA.
- The mean values for radiative forcing at BOA =  $-25 \text{ W/m}^2 \rightarrow$  cooling and at TOA and ATM RF =  $28.5 \text{ W/m}^2$  and respective  $54 \text{ W/m}^2$  respectively  $\rightarrow$  warming effect of aerosols on the atmosphere and top of the atmosphere and cooling effect at the surface.
- Downward flux at the surface obtained from measurements was compared with the model output and the results showed a good agreement, the major differences being related to the cloudy periods.

**Thank you for your attention!**