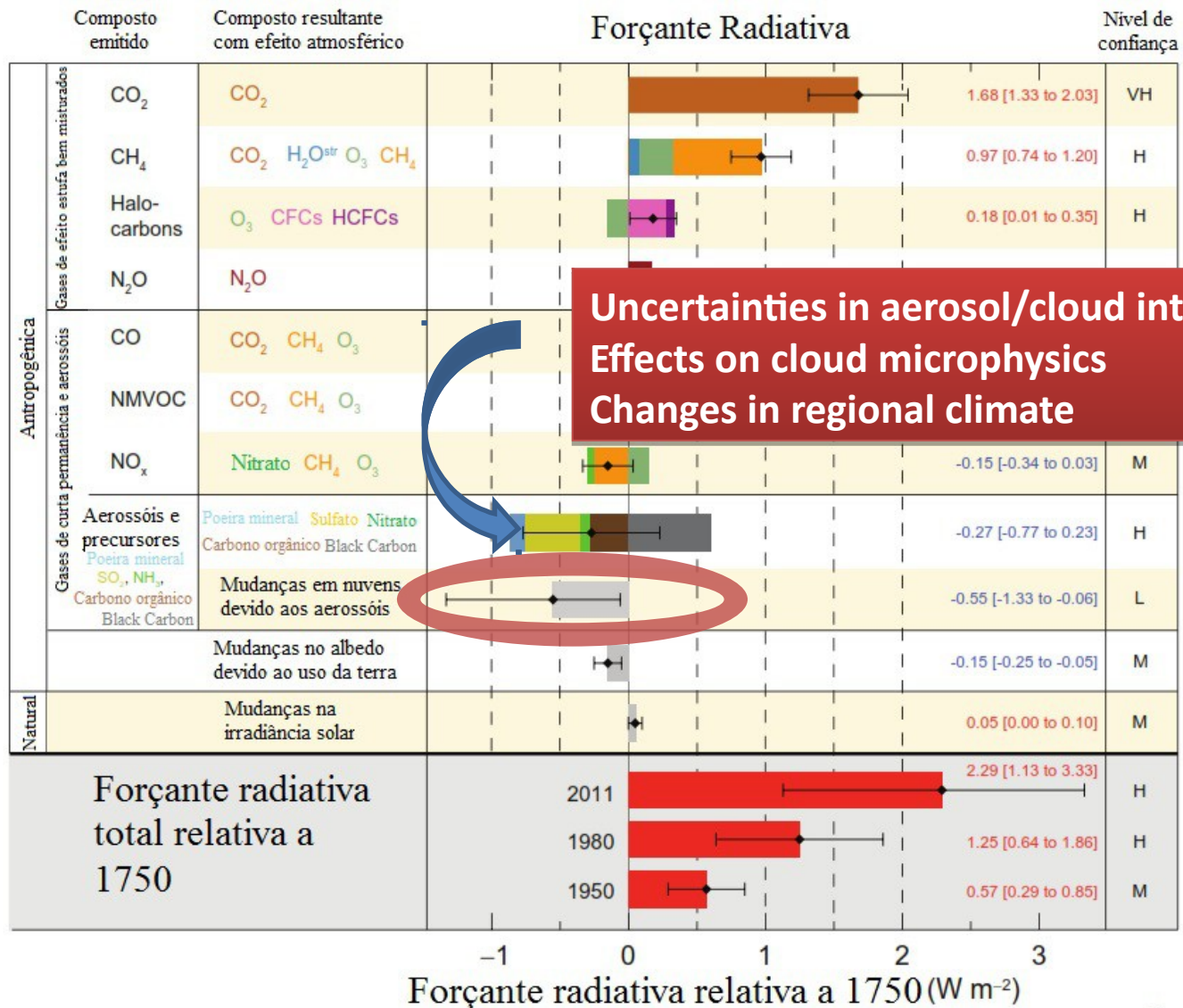


The hygroscopic behavior of aerosols obtained  
by Raman LIDAR, radiosoundings and  
nephelometry - Experiences from three  
different sites

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# Motivation



Uncertainties in aerosol/cloud interaction  
Effects on cloud microphysics  
Changes in regional climate

# Hygroscopic Growth

$f(\text{RH})$  or hygroscopic growth factor: ratio of humidified-to-dry aerosol light backscattering or extinction.

How to study this property using LIDAR?

Backscatter LIDAR

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graph LR; A[Backscatter LIDAR] --> B[Backscattering or extinction]; A --> C[RH from collocated sondes]; A --> D[RH from thermodynamic considerations and atmospheric models (cloud cover needed)];
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Backscattering or extinction

RH from collocated sondes

RH from thermodynamic considerations and atmospheric models (cloud cover needed)

# Using the Raman LIDAR

Vapor pressure  $e_{(z)}$  over  
saturation vapor pressure  $e_w(z)$

$$RH_{(z)} = \frac{e_{(z)}}{e_w(z)}$$

Pressure from sondes or  
standard atmosphere models

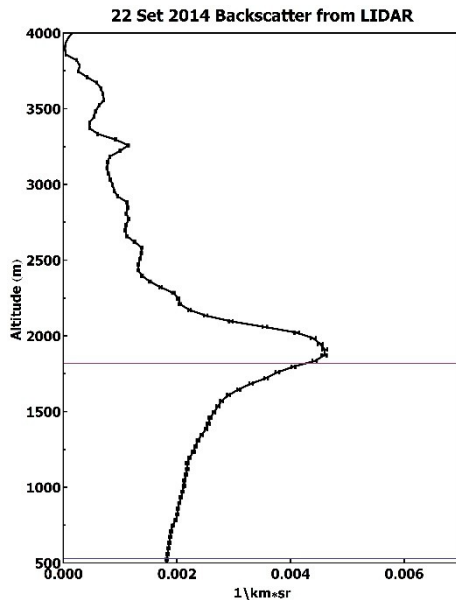
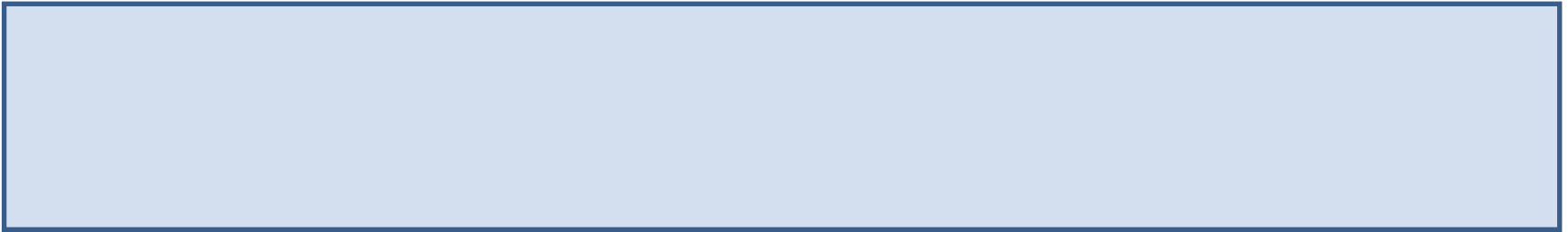
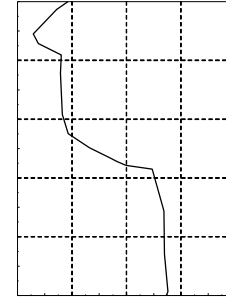
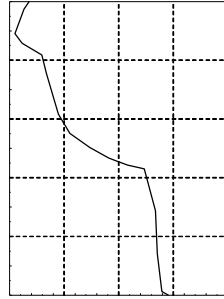
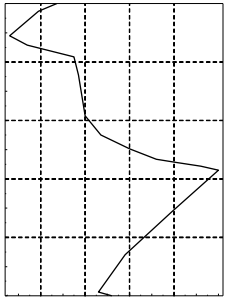
$$e_{(z)} = \frac{P_{(z)} WVMR_{(z)}}{0.622 + WVMR_{(z)}}$$

$$\text{Log } e_w = -0.58002206 \cdot 10^4 / T + 0.13914993 \cdot 10^1 - 0.48640239 \cdot 10^{-1} T + \\ 0.41764768 \cdot 10^{-4} T^2 - 0.14452093 \cdot 10^{-7} T^3 + 0.65459673 \cdot 10^1 \text{Log}(T)$$

Temperature from sondes or microwave radiometers

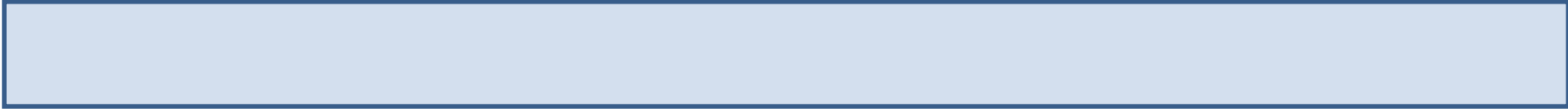
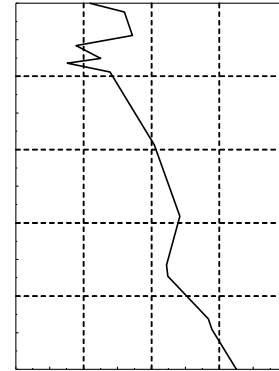
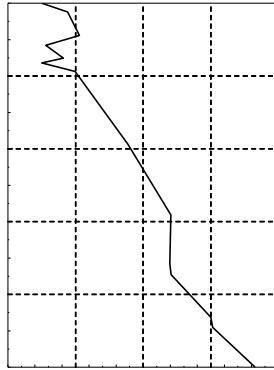
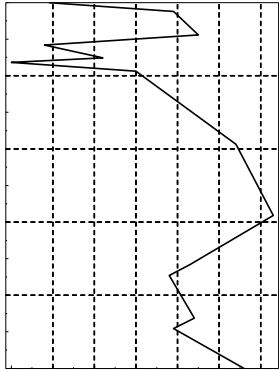
Hyland and Wexler (*Hyland and Wexler, 1983*):

# Well mixed atmosphere



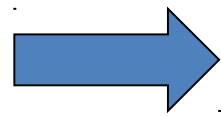
If the atmosphere is well mixed, than any changes in backscatter are due to changes in the size of the aerosols, and not because the aerosol population is changing

# Well mixed atmosphere



# The “ $\gamma$ ” parameter

$$f(RH) = \frac{\beta(RH)}{\beta(RH_{ref})}$$



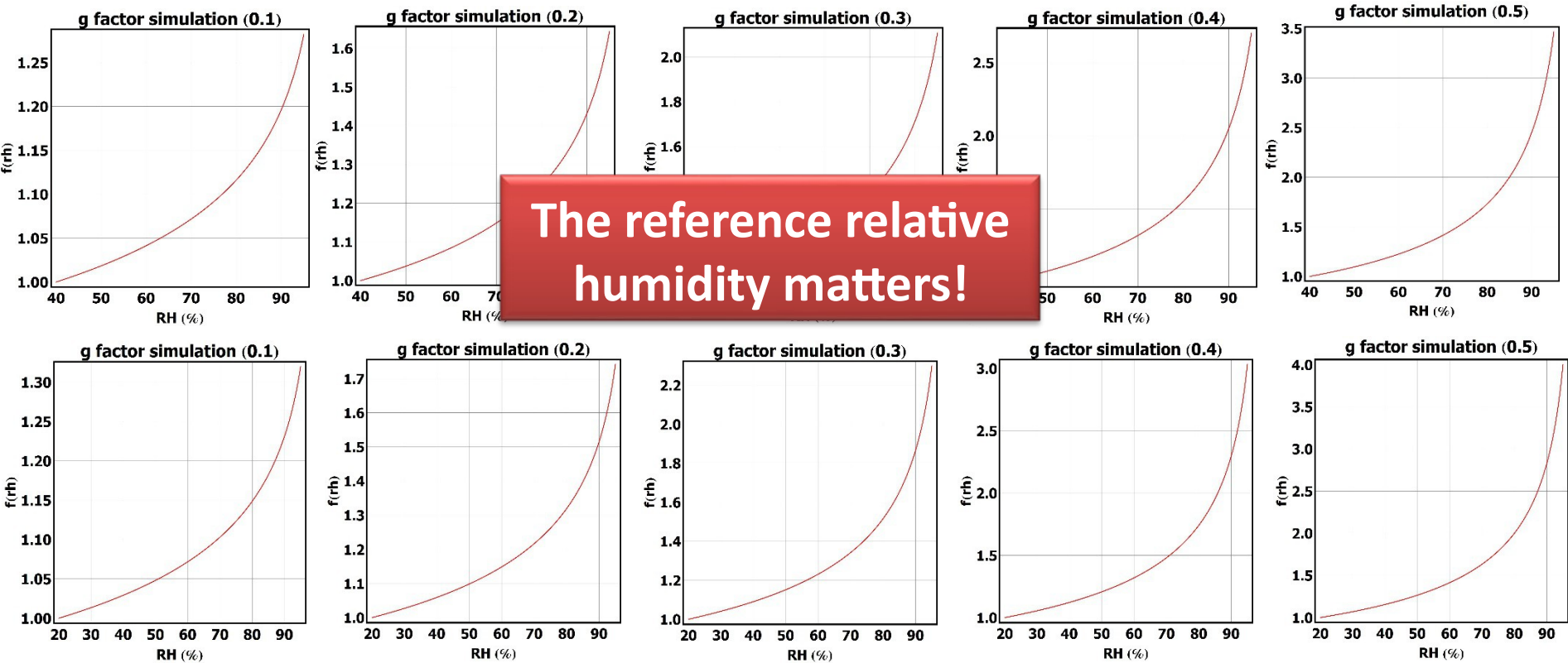
$$\frac{\beta(RH)}{\beta(RH_{ref})} = \left( \frac{1-RH}{1-RH_{ref}} \right)^{-\gamma}$$

$-\gamma$

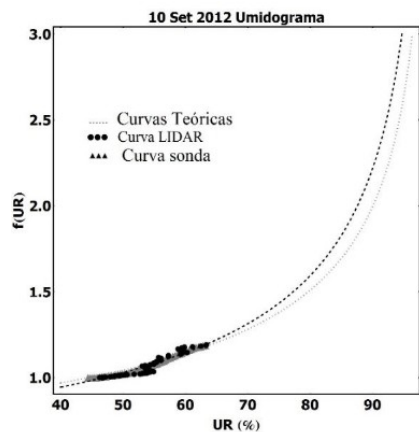
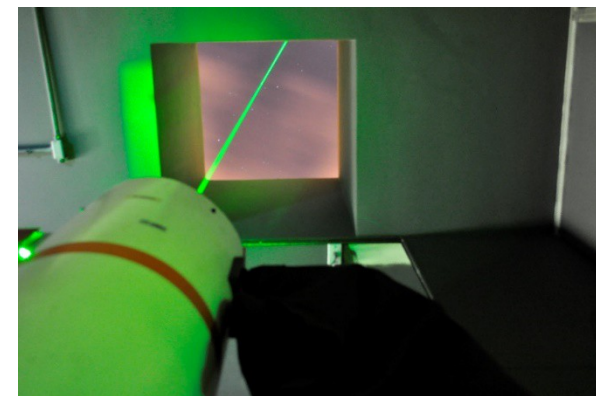
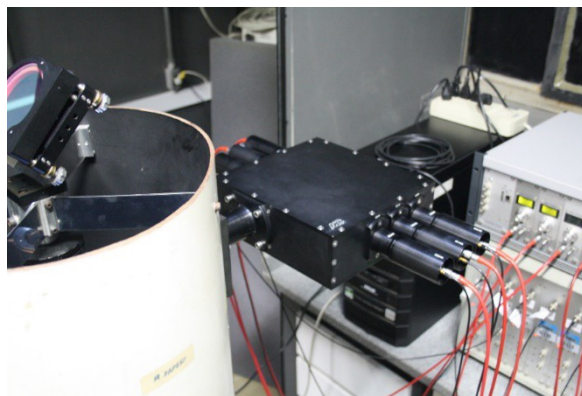


“ $\gamma$ ” factor is a parameter that depends on each aerosol chemical composition, mixing state and dry particle distribution of the aerosol population

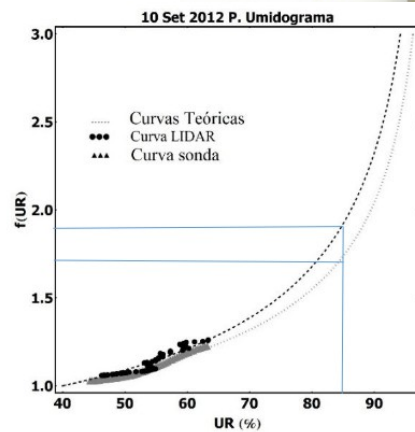
**The reference relative humidity matters!**



# São Paulo case



a)  $\gamma_{\text{lidar}} = 0.47$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{sonda}} = 0.40$



b)  $\gamma_{\text{lidar}} = 0.47$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{sonda}} = 0.40$

$$f_{\beta \text{LIDAR}}(85\%) = 1.92$$

$$f_{\beta \text{SONDA}}(85\%) = 1.73$$

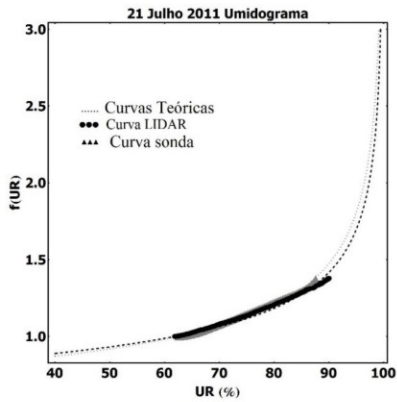
Date	$\gamma$ LIDAR	$\gamma$ sonde	$f_{\beta}(85\%)$ LIDAR	$f_{\beta}(85\%)$ sonde
03/05/2013	0.12±0.02	0.12±0.01	1.19±0.03	1.18±0.02
12/09/2013	0.36±0.03	0.58±0.04	1.65±0.08	2.25±0.13
10/09/2012	0.47±0.03	0.39±0.02	1.92±0.09	1.73±0.05
11/07/2013	0.53±0.06	1.49±0.12	2.09±0.17	7.95±1.30
30/01/2014	0.98±0.07	0.81±0.04	3.92±0.37	3.07±0.19



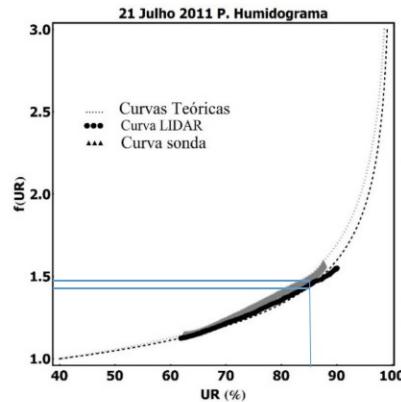
Author / year	Local	Natureza do Aerossol	Instrument	$\lambda$ (nm)	Optical parameter	$f(85\%)$	$g$
Zieger (2013)	Jungfrauoch (Switzerland)	Polluted maritime	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	1.95±0.14	-
Gasso (2000)	Sagres (Portugal)	Polluted maritime	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	1.4	0.27
Zieger (2013)	Jungfrauoch (Switzerland)	Little Polluted maritime	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	2.97±0.20	-
Zieger (2013)	Jungfrauoch (Switzerland)	Clean maritime	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	3.38±0.31	-
Gasso (2000)	Sagres (Portugal)	Clean maritime	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	1.8	0.60
Granados-Munhoz (2014)	Granada (Spain)	Polluted Continental	LIDAR	532	$\beta$	2.1	0.56±0.01
Granados-Munhoz (2014)	Granada (Spain)	Polluted Continental	LIDAR	532	$\beta$	3.5	1.07±0.01
<b>Este trabalho 10 Set 2012</b>	Sao Paulo	Polluted Urban	LIDAR	355	$\beta$	1.92±0.09	0.47±0.03
<b>Este trabalho 12 Set 2013</b>	Sao Paulo	Polluted Urban	LIDAR	355	$\beta$	1.65±0.08	0.36±0.03
<b>Este trabalho 30 Jan 2014</b>	Sao Paulo	Polluted Urban	LIDAR	355	$\beta$	3.92±0.37	0.98±0.07
Randriamiarisoa (2006)	Paris	Polluted Urban	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	1.2-4.5	0.47-1.35
<b>Este trabalho 03 Mai 2013</b>	Sao Paulo	Polluted Urban/ Maritime	LIDAR	355	$\beta$	1.19±0.03	0.12±0.02
<b>Este trabalho 11 Jul 2013</b>	Sao Paulo	Polluted Urban/ Maritime	LIDAR	355	$\beta$	2.09±0.17	0.53±0.06
Veselovski (2009)	D.C.	Maritime with antropogenic inf	LIDAR	355	$\alpha$	2.1	0.9
Zieger (2013)	Jungfrauoch (Suíça)	Saharian dust	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	1.28±0.10	-

# Belstville DC case

Ziamba (2013) 05 Jul 2011	D.C	Continental	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	$1.45 \pm 0.07$	-
Ziamba (2013) 21 Jul 2011	D.C	Continental	Nephelometer	550	$\sigma$	$1.70 \pm 0.06$	-
<b>This work</b> <b>05 Jul 2011</b>	<b>D.C.</b>	<b>Continental</b>	<b>LIDAR</b>	<b>355</b>	<b><math>\beta</math></b>	<b><math>1.41 \pm 0.06</math></b>	<b><math>0.25 \pm 0.04</math></b>
<b>This work</b> <b>21 Jul 2011</b>	<b>D.C.</b>	<b>Continental</b>	<b>LIDAR</b>	<b>355</b>	<b><math>\beta</math></b>	<b><math>1.43 \pm 0.07</math></b>	<b><math>0.26 \pm 0.04</math></b>



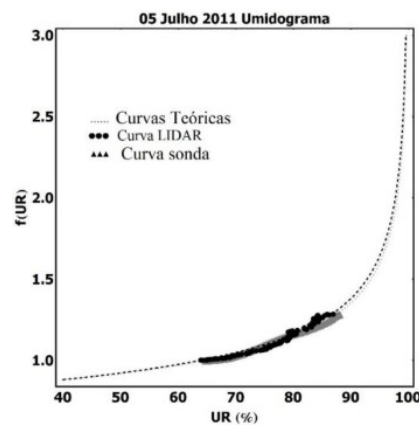
a)  $\gamma_{\text{lidar}} = 0.26$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{sonda}} = 0.29$



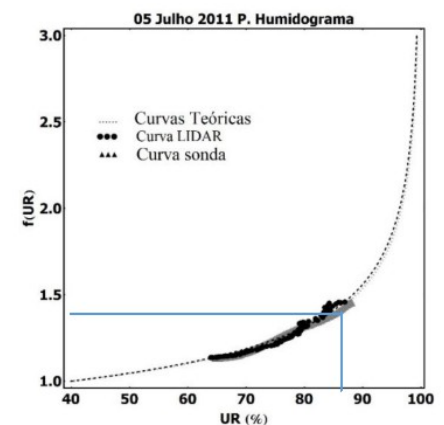
b)  $\gamma_{\text{lidar}} = 0.26$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{sonda}} = 0.29$

$f_{\beta \text{LIDAR}}(85\%) = 1.39$

$f_{\beta \text{SONDA}}(85\%) = 1.50$



a)  $\gamma_{\text{lidar}} = 0.25$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{sonda}} = 0.24$



b)  $\gamma_{\text{lidar}} = 0.24$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{sonda}} = 0.24$

$f_{\beta \text{LIDAR}}(85\%) = 1.41$

$f_{\beta \text{SONDA}}(85\%) = 1.39$

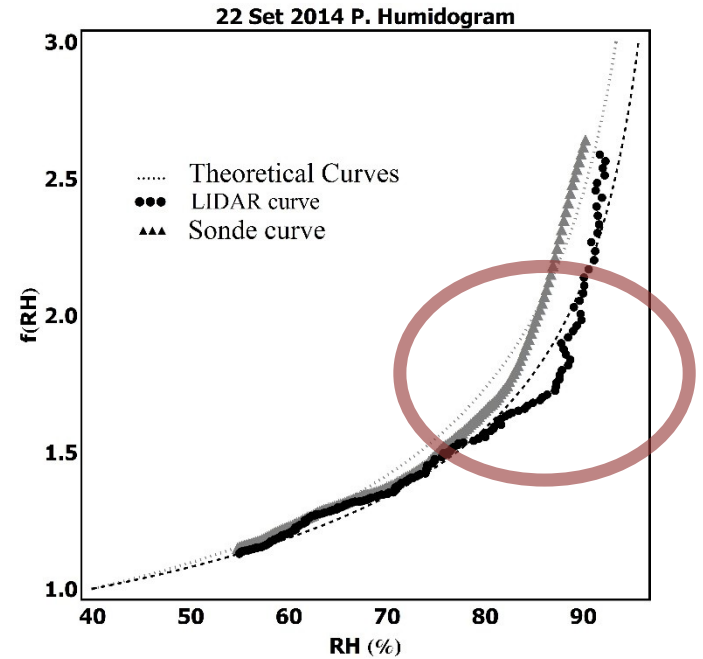


**LIDAR can provide more information than nephelometer on RH over 85%**

**HURL system was not prepared to study aerosols**

# Amazon case

$\gamma$  lidar = 0.42  
 $\gamma$  sonde = 0.50  
 $f\beta(85\%)$  lidar = 1.80  
 $f\beta(85\%)$  sonde = 2.01



Site	Measurements	condition	"Perfect" condition
São Paulo	63 nights (2 years)	3 cases	0
Washington DC	80 cases (day and night – one month)	4 cases	1
<b>Amazon</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>More than 100 cases</b>	<b>12</b>

## Is the LIDAR a good instrument to study hygroscopicity and aerosol/cloud interaction?

Continuous LIDAR measurements over many years, as the condition is not often present

Prediction of the atmospheric conditions using the historical data from radiosondes (Wyoming) to address the frequency for each place

Test more than one fitting equation

Synergy between LIDAR and other instruments (size distribution, chemical composition, deliquescence point and hysteresis)

Continuous measurements with higher time resolution (using microwave radiometer?)

**Thank you!**