

HOLODEC

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Holographic Detector for Clouds

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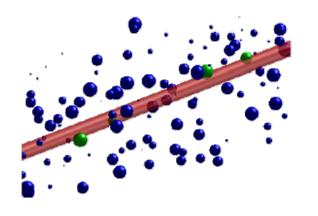


What's special about HOLODEC?

Others...

...average over large distance to get size distributions

...sometimes measure only single droplets



HOLODEC...

...gets size distributions from a single hologram

...can measure interparticle distances

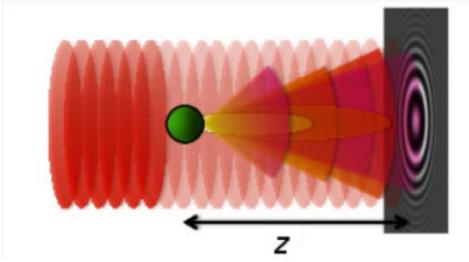
... measures small droplets $(> 6 \mu m)$

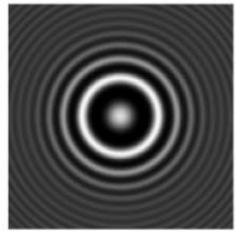




How does it work?

- Digital in-line holography
- One laser pulse per hologram





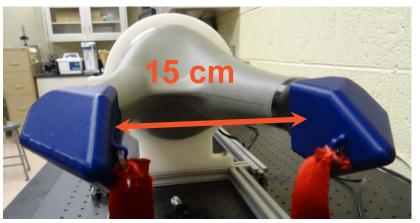
- Recording with camera
- Reconstruction





How does it work? - HOLODEC

- Sample volume from each hologram: ca. 15 cm³
- Data amount 1 hologram ca. 15 MB => ca. 200
 GB/h or more (depending on content)
- Data storage: 2 drives in Holodecs computer





~1 cm²

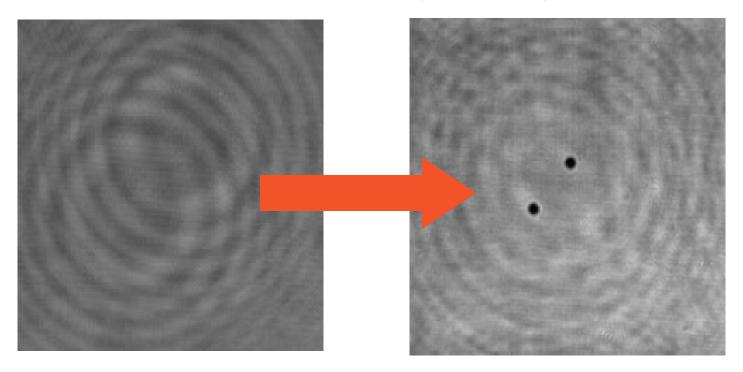




What do the results look like?

Original hologram

Reconstruction to particle plane







What can it measure?

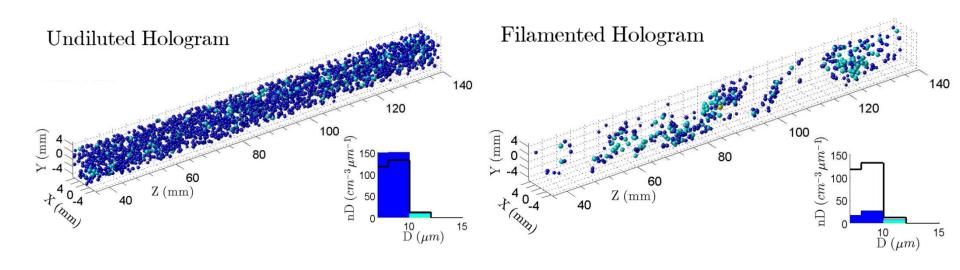
- Droplets > 6 μm
- Resolution constraint due to camera pixel size
- Distances between droplets
- Many droplets on one hologram
- Holograms every 1/3 s => spatial resolution at flight speed of 100 m/s is a hologram each 30 m





What are we interested in measuring?

- Mixing at cloud edge
- homogeneous vs. inhomogeneous mixing
- Turbulence
- Effects of that on cloud







Status

- Sent to NCAR
- Laser
 - Both actual laser and spare are sent to repair
 - Time: few weeks
 - New optics needed for new laser
- Cable for communication partly fixed
- Optics will be cleaned (planned)





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