

Useful Equations:

Beer's law for absorption and scattering (no emission) given slant path $s = dz/\mu$, volume extinction coefficient b , gas density ρ_g (Stull chapter 2)

$$d\omega = \sin\theta d\theta d\phi = -d\mu d\phi \quad (1)$$

$$S = S_0 \cos(\theta) \quad (2)$$

$$a_\lambda + r_\lambda + t_\lambda = 1 \quad (3)$$

$$L_\lambda = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta\omega\Delta\lambda} \quad (4)$$

$$E_{\lambda BB} = \pi B_\lambda \quad (5)$$

where B_λ ($W m^{-2} sr^{-1} \mu m^{-1}$) is the monochromatic blackbody radiance from an infinite flat surface.

Hydrostatic equation:

$$dp = -\rho_d g dz \quad (17)$$

$$E_{BB} = \sigma T^4 \quad (6)$$

Equation of state

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{-1}{\rho c_{pd}} \frac{dE_n}{dz} \quad (7)$$

$$p = R_d \rho_d T \quad (18)$$

Slant Transmission

$$E_\lambda(T) \approx E_{\lambda 0} + \left. \frac{dE_\lambda}{dT} \right|_{T_0, \lambda} (T - T_0) + \dots \quad (8)$$

$$\hat{t} = \exp(-\tau/\mu) \quad (19)$$

$$\exp(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \quad (9)$$

Schwarzschild's equation

$$\sin(\theta) = \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} + \dots \quad (10)$$

$$dL = -L d\tau/\mu + B_\lambda(z) d\tau/\mu \quad (20)$$

$$\cos(\theta) = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} + \dots \quad (11)$$

Vertical radiance L_λ with $\mu = 1$

$$L_\lambda(\tau) = B_\lambda(T_{skin})(\exp(-\tau) + \int_0^\tau \exp(-(\tau - \tau')) B_\lambda(T) d\tau' \quad (21)$$

Radiance along a slant path:

Radar

Rayleigh scattering

$$L_{\lambda}(\tau/\mu) = B_{\lambda}(T_{skin})(\exp(-\tau/\mu) + \int_0^{\tau} \exp(-(\tau - \tau')/\mu) B_{\lambda}(T) d\tau'/\mu) \quad (22)$$

$$\frac{L}{L_0} \propto \frac{D^6}{\lambda^4} \quad (28)$$

Flux from radiance:

$$\text{Returned power} \propto |k^2| \frac{Z}{r^2} \quad (29)$$

$$E_{\lambda} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \mu L_{\lambda} d\mu d\phi \quad (23)$$

where $|k^2| \approx 0.2$ for ice and 0.9 for liquid water.

Vertical radiance with change of variables to transmittance:

$$Z = \int_0^{\infty} n(D) D^6 dD \quad (30)$$

Z-R relationship

$$L_{\lambda}(\tau/\mu) = B_{\lambda}(T_{skin})\hat{t}_{tot} + \int_0^{\tau} B_{\lambda}(T) d\hat{t} \quad (24)$$

$$Z = 300RR^{1.4} \quad (31)$$

For constant temperature:

(rain, RR in mm/hr, Z in mm^6/m^3)

$$L_{\lambda}(\tau/\mu) = B_{\lambda}(T_{skin})\hat{t}_{tot} + (1 - \exp(-\tau/\mu))B_{\lambda}(T) \quad (25)$$

$$MUR = \frac{c}{2 \cdot PRF} \quad (32)$$

Integrating over a hemisphere for flux, using the simple flux diffusivity approximation:

Useful constants:

$$E_{\lambda} = \pi B_{\lambda}(T_{skin}) \exp(-1.66\tau_{tot}) + \pi B_{\lambda}(T)(1 - \exp(-1.66\tau)) \quad (26)$$

and integrated over all wavelengths:

$$E_{\uparrow} = \sigma T_{skin}^4 \exp(-1.66\bar{\tau}_{\lambda T}) + \sigma T_{layer}^4 (1 - \exp(-1.66\bar{\tau}_{\lambda T})) \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_{pd} &= 1004 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}, \\ \sigma &= 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4} \\ k_b &= 1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1} \\ c &= 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1} \\ h &= 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s} \\ \pi &\approx 3.14159 \\ R_d &= 287 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$