

Simultaneous Measurement of Particle Optical Extinction and Scattering Using the CAPS PM_{ssa} Monitor

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WHY

Instrumentation for the Measurement of Aerosol Optical Properties

- Simple in Operation
- Rugged
- Inexpensive Components
- Stable
- State-of-the Art Performance

HOW Extinction

Cavity Attenuation Phase Shift Extinction Spectrometer (CAPS PM_{ex})

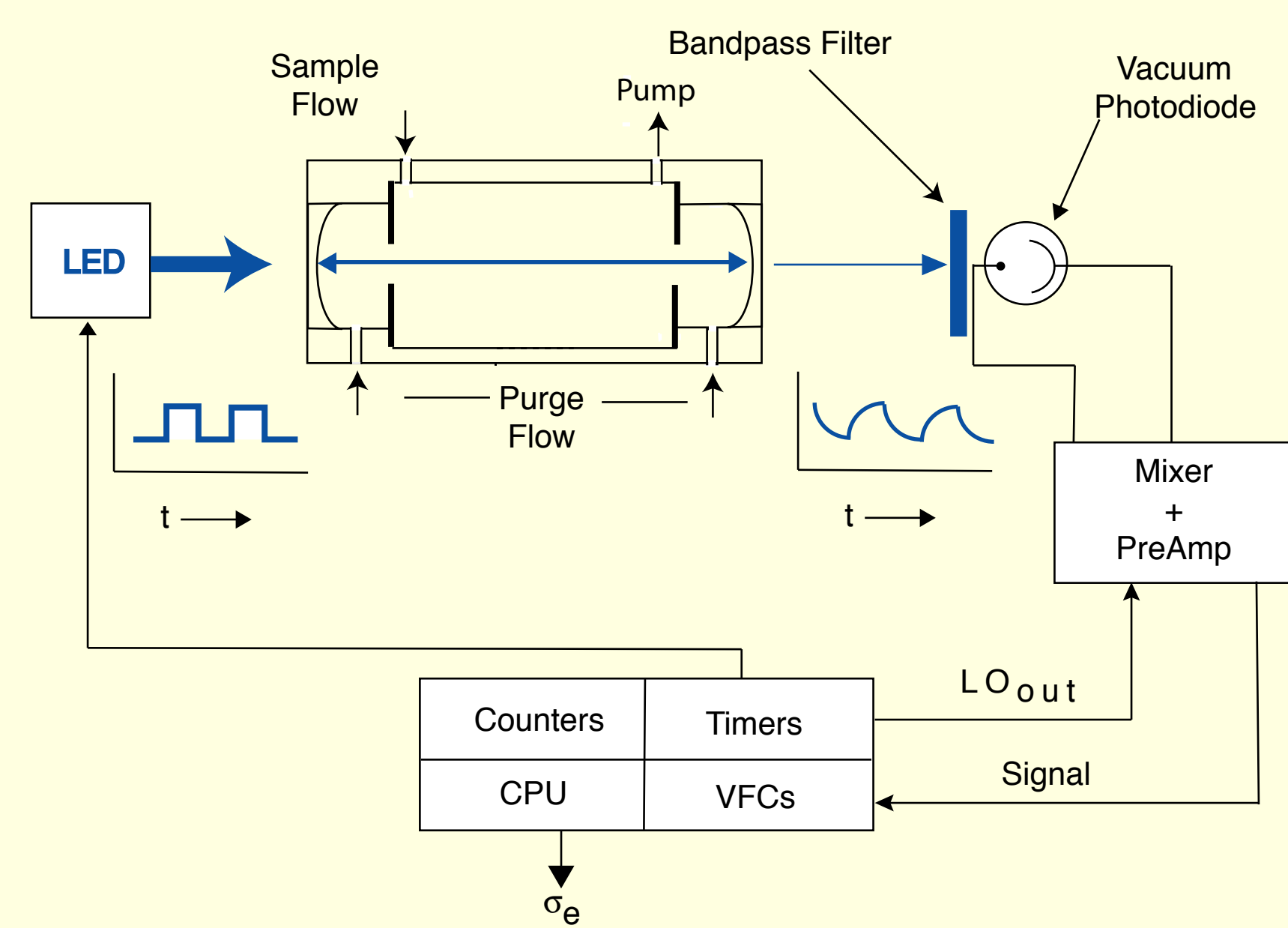
- Use Low-Loss Optical Cavity to Produce km Pathlengths
- Square Wave Modulate Light Source
- Detect Distorted Waveform Emitted from Cavity
- Phase Shift Provides Information on Particle Extinction

$$\cot\vartheta = \cot\vartheta_0 + (c/2\pi f) \sigma_e$$

where ϑ = Measured Phase Shift
 ϑ_0 = Phase Shift for Particle-Free Cell
 f = Modulation Frequency
 σ_e = Extinction

CAPS PM_{ex} Particle Extinction Monitor

- Time Response ~1 s (10-90%)
- LOD (3 σ , 1s) = 2 Mm⁻¹
- Rack Mount, 12 kg, 50 W, 0.85 l min⁻¹ Flow

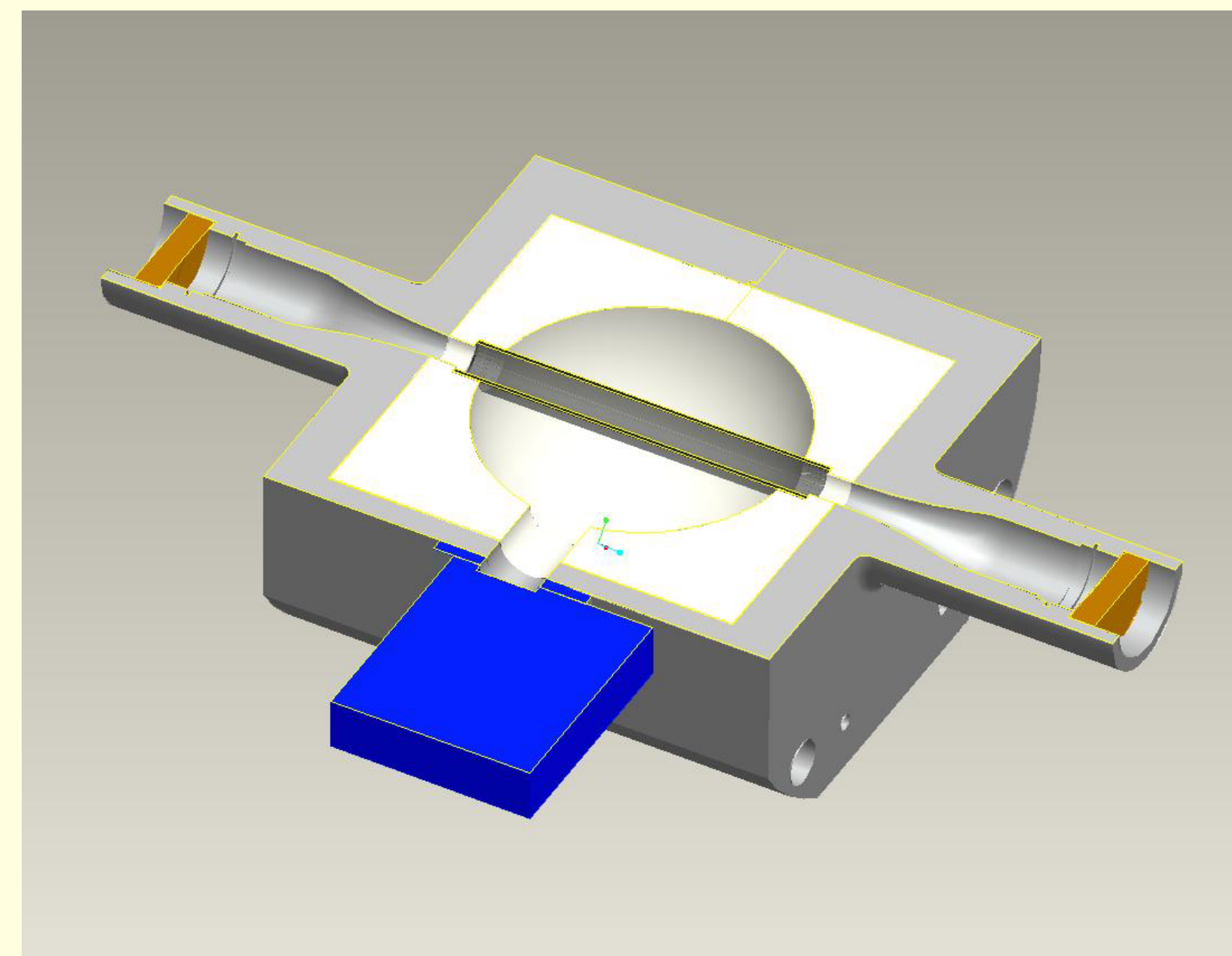


- Near-Confocal Optical Cavity
26 cm Base Length
- Light Emitting Diode (LED) Light Source
530 nm

HOW Scattering

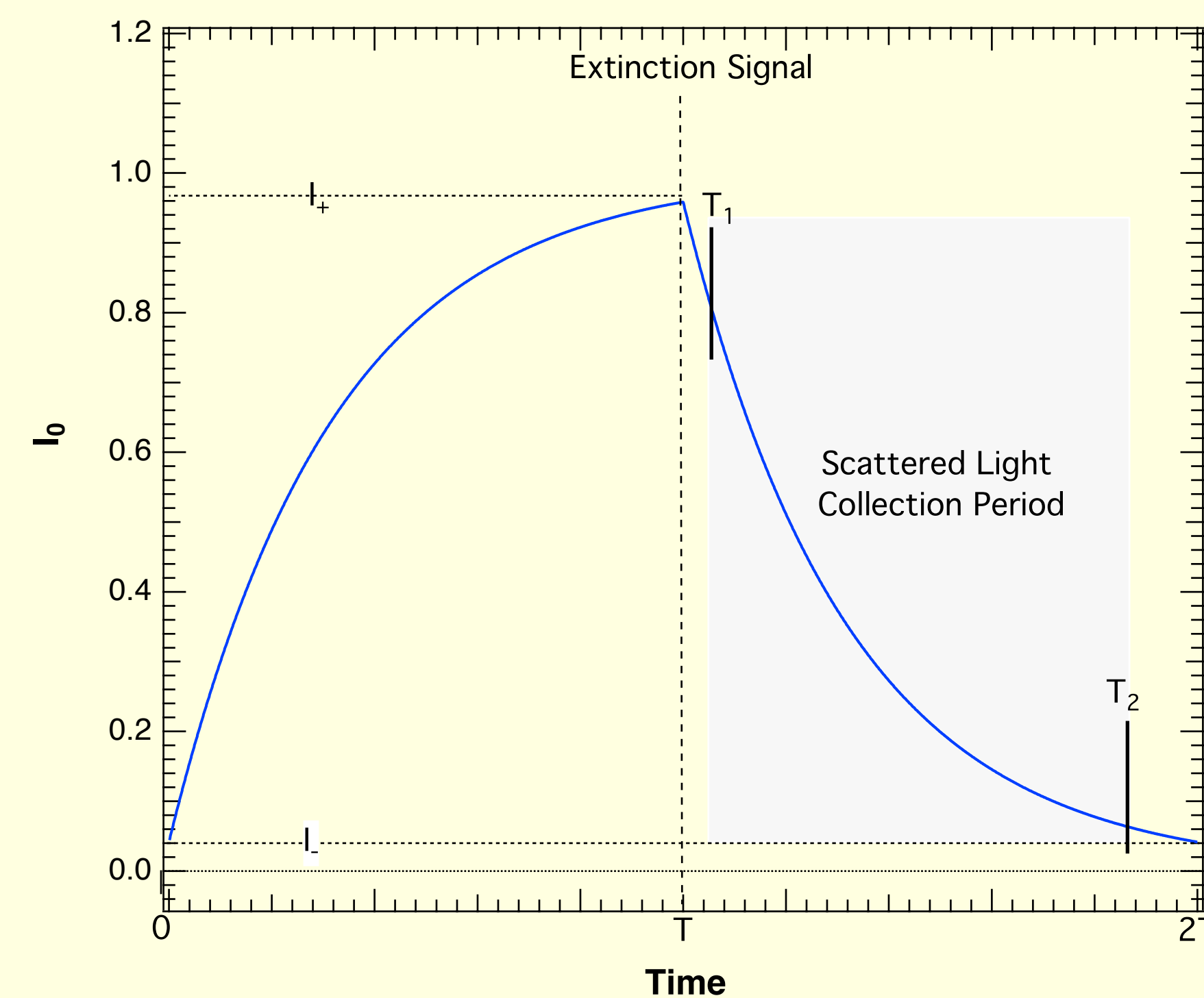
Inverse Nephelometer

- Construct Integrating Sphere Within Optical Cavity
 - Cut Ringdown Cell in Two
 - Install Two Teflon Hemispheres
 - Bolt Cell Back Together
Cell Stays Aligned
 - Install Single Photon Counting PMT to Observe Scattered Light



- Collect Scattered Light Only During LED-Off Phase
 - Light in Cell Highly Collimated
 - No Scattering from Cell Surfaces
 - Scattering Proportional to DC Light Levels and Cell Loss

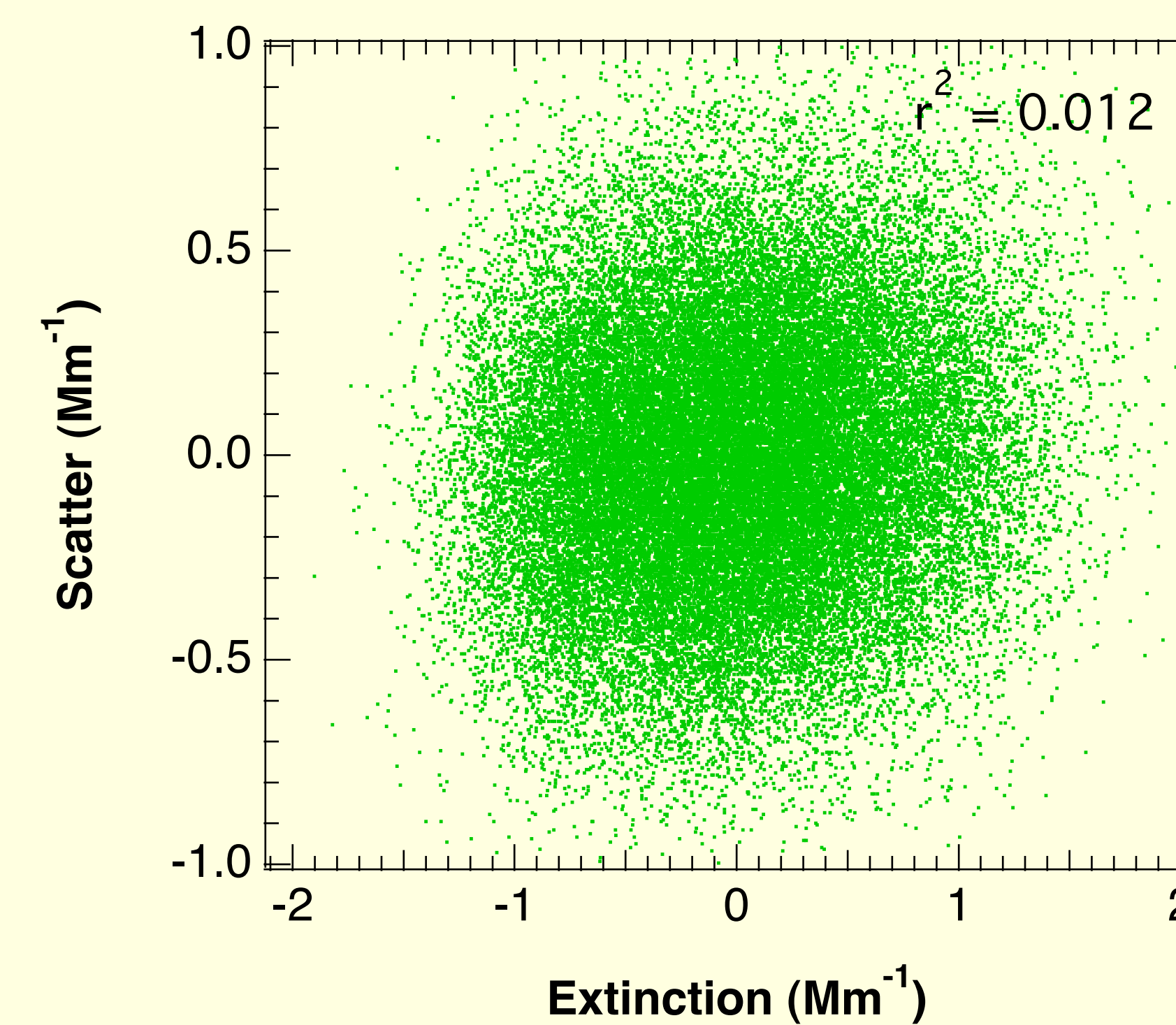
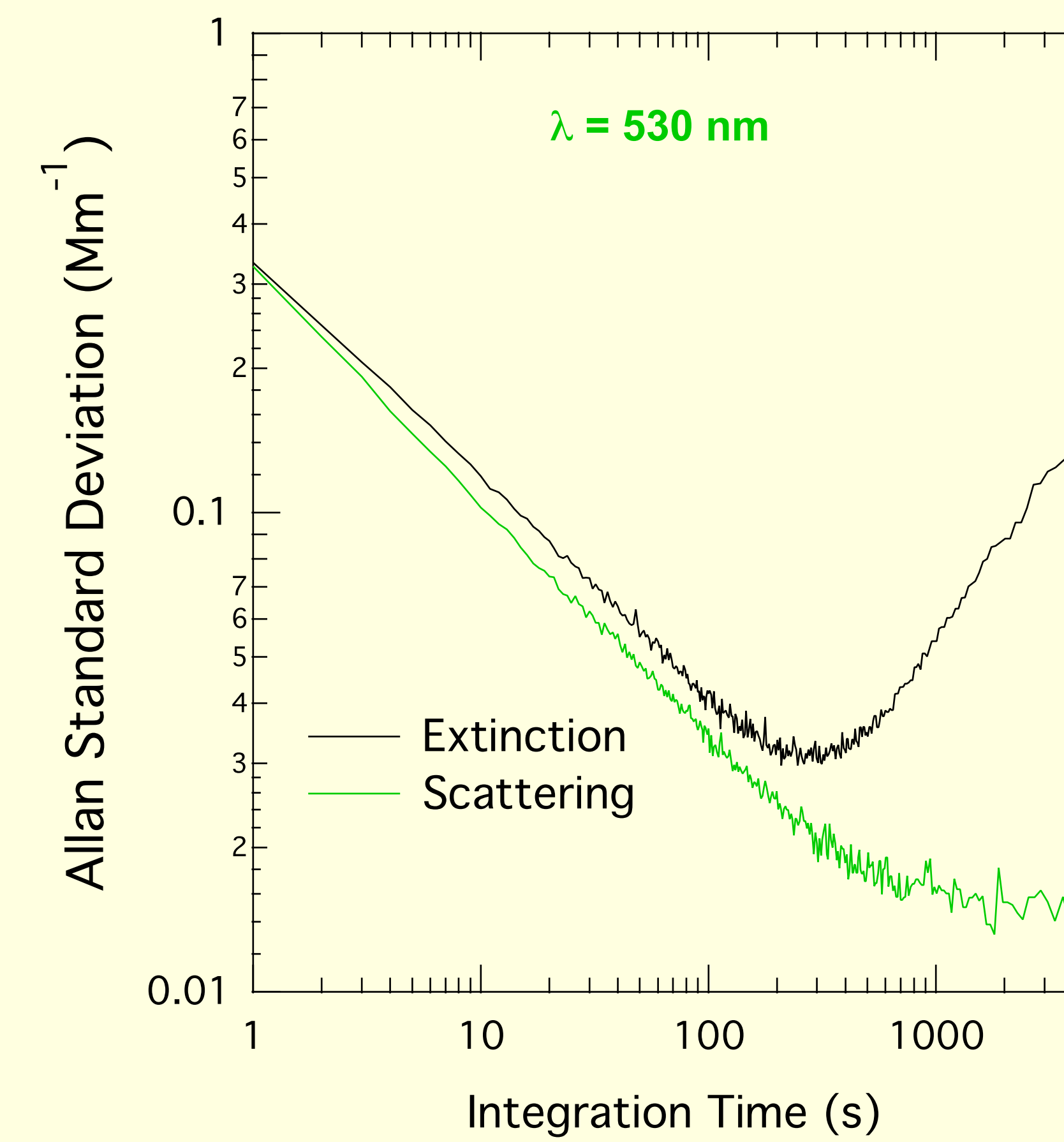
$$\sigma_{sp} \propto \left(\frac{Signal}{I_{ave}} \right) (Loss)$$



PRELIMINARY RESULTS

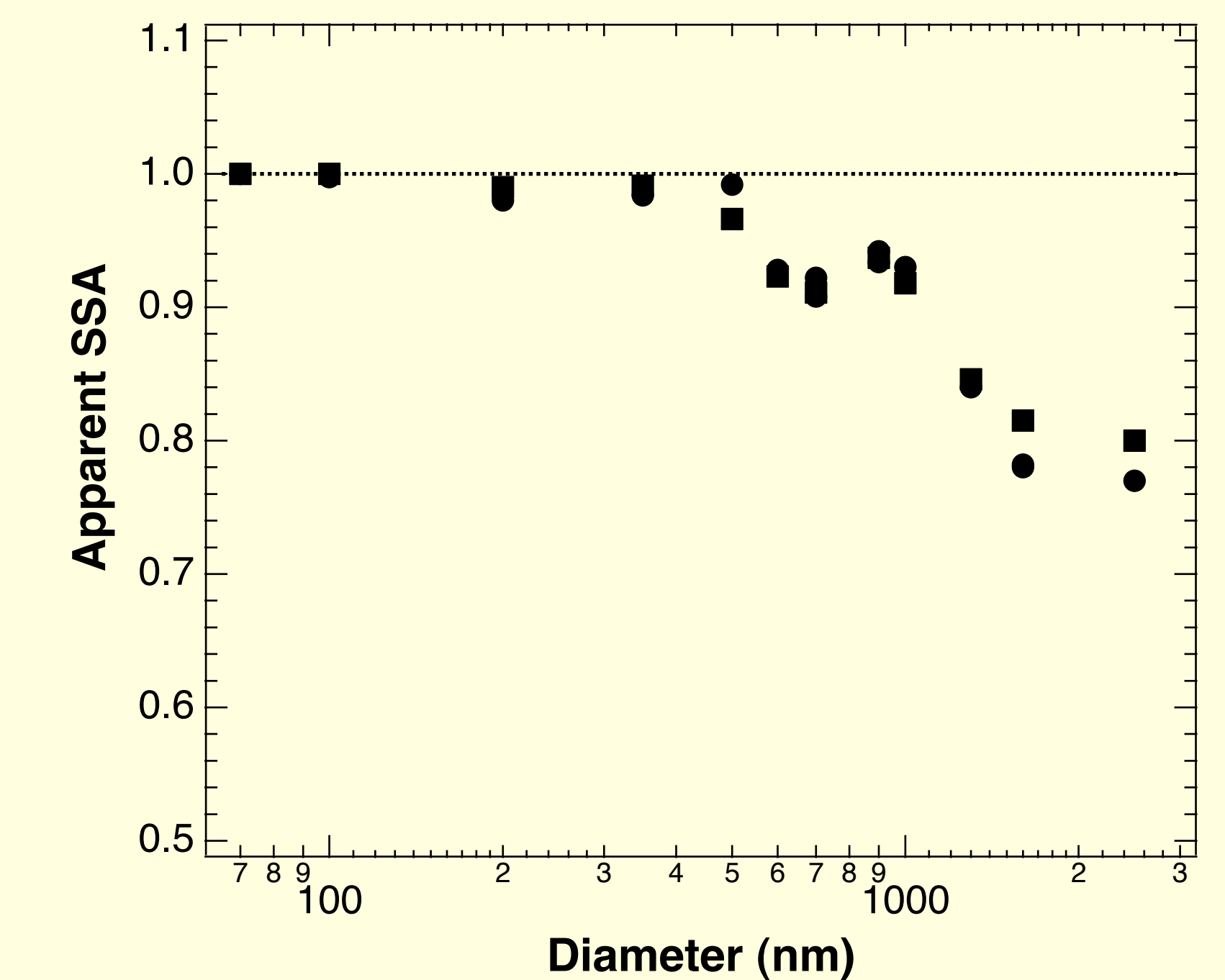
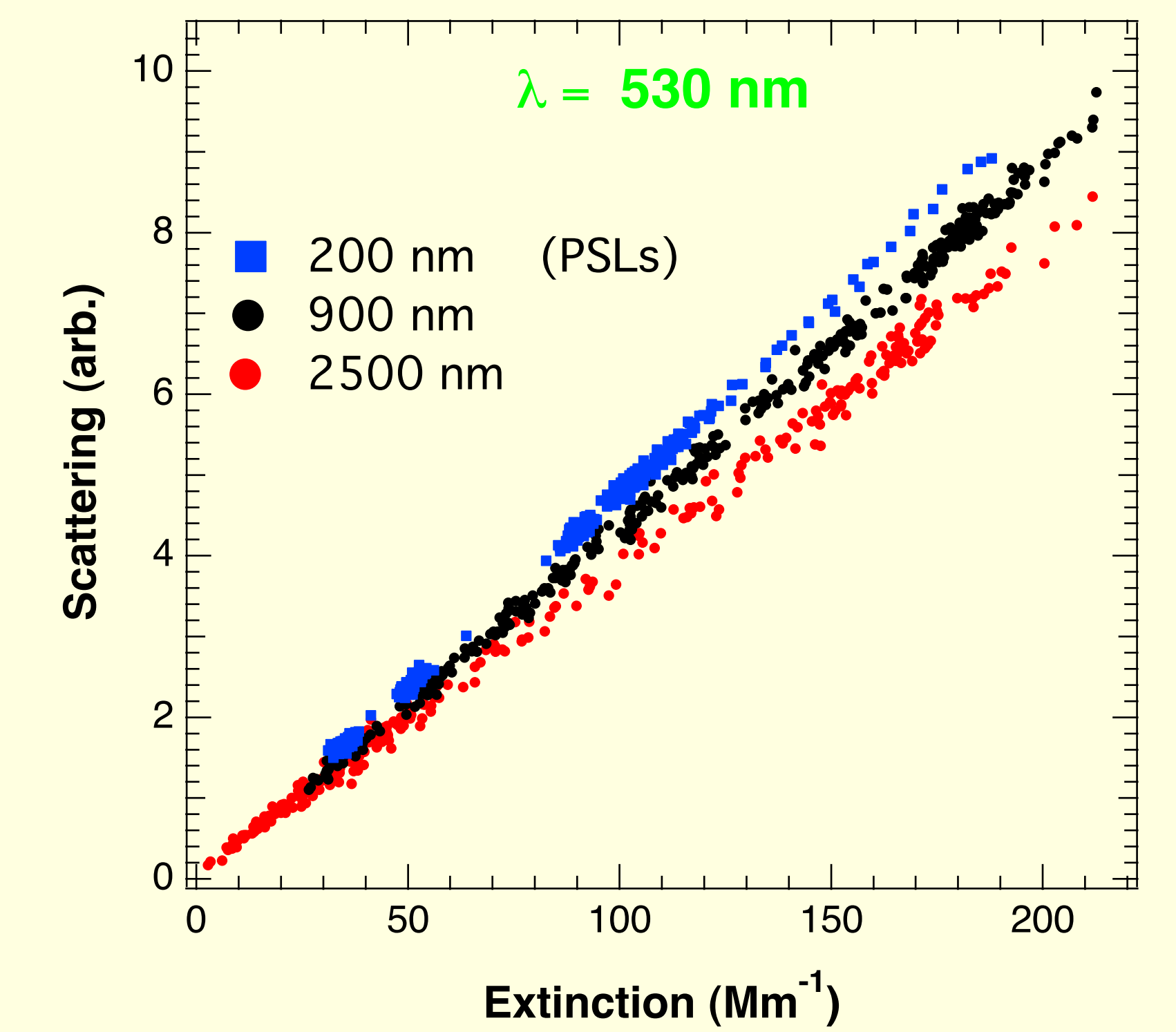
Sensitivity
 $\lambda=530$ nm

- Allan Analysis
 - Noise as a Function of Integration Period
 - Noise < 0.5 Mm⁻¹ in Both Channels
 - Noise in Extinction and Scattering Channels Is Uncorrelated



Truncation ?

- All Nephelometers Miss Scattering at Forward and Backward Angles
- Causes Measurement Bias for Larger Particles
- Measured Extinction and Scattering
 - 70-2500 nm PSL
- Minimal Truncation Effects out to 1 micron
- Modest Truncation Effects for Particle Size > 1 micron



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