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William R. Heinson	0.60	
Justin B. Maughan	0.40	
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## Names of Faculty Supported

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Amitabha Chakrabarti	0.50	
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**Statement of the Problem Studied**

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**Summary of the Most Important Results**

This work proposed to investigate why light scattering angular intensity patterns for a wide variety of particle shapes display power law functionalities with the scattering wave vector  $q$ . We hypothesized that this occurs because the interior field is in some manner power law distributed in real space. To test this hypothesis numerical solutions of the Mie equations for spheres and the DDA algorithm for other shapes were used to calculate both the interior and exterior (scattered) fields. The strategy was to start at the diffraction limit where the phase shift parameter  $\rho \ll 1$  and the interior field is the incident field, and its Fourier transform is directly related to the scattered field. Then we progressively increased  $\rho$  to watch the interior and scattered fields evolve. Significant progress was made for understanding the properties of the internal field and the consequences for the scattered field were made during the project period. Three papers were published [1-3], two are accepted for publication [4,5], and two are being written [6,7]. The hypothesis that the internal field was in some manner power law distributed was shown to be false. However, in our studies of the scattering as a function of the phase shift parameter we discovered a better parameter that replaces it. This is central to the goal of the project. We call the new parameter the “internal coupling parameter” and we showed that it governs the role of the internal field to yield the external, scattered field [1]. This parameter was inferred by the requirement that the scattering by a three dimensional sphere, which is described by the Mie formulation, must cross over to simple, two dimensional, Fraunhofer diffraction by a circular aperture in the limit of large and refractive spheres. Examination of this crossover was greatly facilitated by our concept and application of Q-space analysis. Q-space analysis studies the scattered intensity,  $I$ , not as a function of the scattering angle  $\theta$  as is conventionally done, but

rather as a function of the magnitude of the scattering wave vector  $q$ . Subsequently, we studied spherical particle scattering as described by the Mie equations for refractive indices that have both real and imaginary parts [2]. We found another new parameter that can identify when the imaginary part of the refractive index makes a significant effect on the scattering. We showed that a significant effect occurs when the interior field is confined to the forward facing “cap” of the particle with thickness equal to the well-known optical skin depth. For a given relative skin depth universal scattering occurs.

These theoretical advances helped us plan and interpret experimental studies to the extent that we acknowledged support from ARO in those papers. The experiments were performed with two new apparatuses that: 1) allowed for detection of scattered light simultaneously over a broad range of scattering angles including very small angles down to  $0.3^\circ$ , [3, 6] and 2) detected light in the direct backscattering direction  $\theta = 180^\circ \pm 7^\circ$  [7]. With this Q-space perspective, a number of related results were discovered. The experimental work demonstrated the importance of small angle scattering for large particles which has been ignored in previous experimental works by others. It discovered an empirical trend in the power law exponents seen with Q-space analysis with the internal coupling parameter [4] that will need theoretical explanation. We also performed a theoretical study of light scattering by Gaussian random spheres, which mimic dusts, and found similar power law exponent trends with the internal coupling parameter [5]

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