



Towards Global Transferability of Inference Schemes for Radiative Forcing Functions under CEOP

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Objective

- Develop capabilities to obtain radiative fluxes to support hydrological modeling and LDAS type activities in key CEOP regions that meet temporal and spatial scale requirements of CEOP.
- Implement global scale satellite methodologies with new sensors (MODIS) to serve as common denominator/calibrators of the regional products.
- Involves: Differences in satellite observing systems; Uniqueness of various climatic regions; Human impacts on radiative balance







Parameters provided: surface short-wave and PAR (global and diffuse); TOP net; cloud amount; cloud optical depth; surface skin temp

FOCUS ON CLOUDS OVER SNOW ISSUES

X.Li*, R. T. Pinker, M. M. Wonsick, and Y. Ma, 2006. Towards improved satellite estimates of short-wave radiative fluxes: Focus on cloud detection over snow Part I: Methodology.

R. T. Pinker, X. Li* and W. Meng, 2006. Towards improved satellite estimates of short-wave radiative fluxes: Focus on cloud detection over snow Part II: Results. JGR, in revision. Transfer Experience from GCIP/GAPP to other geostationary satellites



Period 1996-2000 was reprocessed: improved for snow conditions



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Area of overlap between METEOSAT and GOES Differ EOF Analysis used for optimal merging



UNDER LBA:

Issue: data gaps, degraded spatial resolution near boundary of geostationary satellites, and different viewing geometries in areas of overlap;

Developed methodology for optimal merging based on EOF Analysis. First applied to ISCCP DX.

Evaluation of the scheme conducted by artificially removing data in a region without missing data, and comparing estimated fluxes from EOF iteration scheme with the actual data.



Zhang, Pinker, Stackhouse (2006)

Time series for January 90 (0.25N, 117.75 W) Test-Blue ; Control –red





QUERY:

Current Database: LBA

Beija-flor Search Engine for the LBA Project

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Motivation for selection of new regions

Monsoon regions are of particular interest to scientific objectives of CEOP

The Indian monsoon is the dominant one

Information on radiative fluxes from available satellite data such as ISCCP, lack coverage in that region (known as the "Indian Ocean Gap")

Indian continent is a source region of anthropogenic aerosols for prolonged periods of the year (as documented during the Indian Ocean Experiment (INDOEX)

At Issue with existing global data sets: methodologies based on low spatil sampling and normalization to polar orbiting satellites

Unequal coverage; data gaps, degraded spatial resolution near boundary, and different viewing geometries in areas of overlap



Number of ISCCP D1 AVHRR and Geostationary observations

Feasibility

- o Meteosat-5 has been moved over India during INDOEX
- Aerosol climatology and model modification developed under independent activity
- Existing collaboration with the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology for validation







Meteosat-5 Shortwave Flux

- o Developed a cloud screening for METEOSAT 5 at pixel level
- Developed capabilities to derive high resolution surface radiative fluxes from METEOSAT 5.
 Meteosat-5 1 Jul 02 07Z



Atmospheric inputs were extracted from NCEP Reanalysis

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Examples of monthly surface SW fluxes at 0.5 degree for 2002-03













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Monthly Mean Surface Cloud Forcing September 2002 – February 2003





Cloud Forcing = Fas – Fcs; Fas = All-sky net flux = Fas- - Fas+ Fcs = Clear-sky net flux = Fcs- - Fcs+

Monthly Mean Cloud Optical Depth September 2002 – December 2002

Monthly Mean Cloud Optical Depth from Meteosat-5 SEP 2002





Monthly Mean Cloud Optical Depth from Meteosat-5 OCT 2002



Monthly Mean Cloud Optical Depth from Meteosat-5 DEC 2002





Diurnal variation of total cloud amount



Diurnal variation of cloud amount



Diurnal variation of totalcloud amount





Frequency of occurrence for: pre-monsoon (top) peak-monsoon (middle) post-monsoon (bottom) **High clouds have** have an IR brightness temperature less than 220K



Aerosol Data March 2000 – February 2002



GOCART model simulations

 $2.5^{\circ} \times 2^{\circ}$ monthly mean AOD at 550nm



MODIS retrievals

Level-3 $1^{\circ} \times 1^{\circ}$



AERONET measurements

monthly mean AOD at 550nm

Fit leading EOFs (significant



spatial variation patterns) to AERONET in a least square sense to propagate local information to large scale.

Two-Year Mean AOD: Weighted Average

>MODIS and GOCART two-year means are first weightaveraged.

>Weights are inversely proportional to the error variances:



Liu, H., R. T. Pinker and B. N. Holben, 2005. <u>A global view of aerosols from</u> <u>merged transport models, satellite, and ground observation.</u> JOURNAL OF GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH, VOL. 110, doi:10.1029/2004JD004695 (Special Issue-Aerosol Systems)

Surface Irradiance : Compare with BSRN (2001)





Reduction in monthly mean SW flux (Wm-2) with aerosol climatology vs.default case for all-sky conditions, August 02, at 1/8th

Reduction in monthly mean SW flux under clear-sky, May 02 at 2.5 degree.

Climatic uniqueness: Aerial view of the observational site during clear and hazy conditions





CEOP goal:

To understand what are the causes of water cycle variations at global and regional scales and to what extent is this variation induced by human activity.



Pyranometer

Precision Infrared Radiomete

Real



Diurnal variation of SW down for different aerosol loading days

Pandithurai G., R. T. Pinker, T. Takamura and P. C. S. Devara, 2004. Aerosol Radiative Forcing over a Tropical Urban Site in India. GRL (2005)

Month-to-month Variation in Spectral Aerosol Optical Depth observed over Pune





Comparison of single scattering albedo over Pune with Maldives INDOEX (AERONET) measurements



Example on the spatial variability in aerosol absorption



Aerosol radiative forcing at the surface, TOA and atmosphere and their comparison with previous investigations over India.

Status of radiative fluxes in support of CEOP

1. GCIP/GAPP

Improved methodologies available; were implemented between 1996-2000.

CEOP period no covered with improved methodology.

CEOP period covered with operational product.

2. L BA

- 3-years of data at 1/8th degree processed for 1998-2000 in support of LBA. As yet not released, pending joint evaluation with INPE and INPE/CPTEC groups.
- Model ready for implementation with corrections for aerosols at 1/8th degree; require satellite observations.
- Optimal approachcollaborative effort with Brazilian groups in synthesizing methods.



3. AFRICA and AMMA region



Methodology developed for METEOSAT 7 and

Tested with improved aerosols.

Will be implemented for CEOP EOP-1.



At issue over Africa

 Preliminary tests indicate that AERONET retrievals of aerosol absorbing properties when dust and biomass burning occur at the same time, most likely not accurate.
 Separation of dust and biomass burning needs to be resolved.

For later phases of CEOP, need adjustments for METEOSAT 8.

4. Indian Monsoon region

□ Plan to implement during all CEOP EOPs.

Desirable, to expand region.

Requirements: METEOSAT 5 data.





5. MODIS data

- Available at 1-deg resolution for 3 years(2001-03). Will be completed for all CEOP EOPs at that resolution.
- Feasibility demonstrated to implement MODIS at 5-km resolution. Not included under CEOP activity



Monthly mean SW surface down flux (W/m**2), 2001 MODIS V004: Modified SRB

Pixel level shortwave surface fluxes over Japan

Summary

□ Steps were taken that will facilitate:

- Testing of hydrological models in special climatic regions
- Transferability and sharing of satellite inference schemes
- □ Linkage to global scale transferability
- **Connection to long term information**
- □ Facilitation of testing coherence in long term trends of climatic parameters.

Monthly mean PAR surface downwelling flux (w/m**2) gridded to 0.5 Deg merged from ISCCP DX GOES/METEOSAT/AVHRR data

Jul 1992

Monthly mean PAR surface downwelling flux (w/m**2) gridded to 0.5 Deg merged from ISCCP DX GOES/METEOSAT/AVHRR data

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Motivation for Africa

- Climatically vulnerable
- Dust and biomass burning
- Human dimension
- Famine prediction

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Courtesy: Norman Kuring, SeaWIFS project.