The optimized algorithm for deriving detailed properties of aerosol from satellite observations.









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the concept of the algorithm;
 testing of the algorithm;
 application to the POLDER/PARASOL data



# New POLDER/PARASOL algorithm (Dubovik et al., AMT, 2011)



- The new algorithm uses complete set of PARASOL angular measurements in all spectral bands including both radiance and linear polarization measurements.
- Continuous space of aerosol and surface properties is used.

 The algorithm is based on statistically optimized fitting. The core of the new PARASOL algorithm is based on the same concept as AERONET aerosol retrieval (O. Dubovik and M. King, 2000; O. Dubovik, 2004; O. Dubovik et all, 2006).

#### 1 heritage of AERONET algorithm developments Pavel Lytvynov, 5/15/2012

# **New algorithm**

(Dubovik et al., AMT, 2011)



Two main modules of the algorithm:

 forward module (VRT in coupled atmospheresurface system)

- modeling of single scattering aerosol properties

- modeling of surface reflection properties

numerical inversion module

# Forward module. Aerosol model





## Forward module. Aerosol model

The kernels were simulated in the wide range of size parameter  $x = 2\pi r / \lambda$ and complex refractive index m = n + ik

 $0.012 \le x \le 625$ 

 $1.3 \le n \le 1.7$ 

 $0.0005 \le k \le 0.5$ 

T-matrix (when x < 50) and geometric-optic (when x > 50) approximations were used for kernels calculations (Dubovik et al., 2006).

#### Retrieved aerosol parameters:

- $C_{\rm v}$  total volume concentration of aerosol ( $\mu m^3/\mu m^2$ )
- $dV(r_i)/dh (i = 1, ..., N_f)$  values of volume size distribution in  $N_i$  size bins  $r_i$ , normalized by  $C_v$
- C faction of spherical particles
- $n(\lambda_i) (i = 1, ..., N_{\lambda} = 6)$  the real part of the refractive index at every  $\lambda_i$  of the POLDER/PARASOL sensor
- $k(\lambda_i) = -(i = 1, ..., N_{\lambda} = 6)$  the imaginary part of the refractive index at every  $\lambda_i$  of the POLDER/PARASOL sensor
- h<sub>0</sub> mean height of aerosol layer.

## Forward module. Surface reflection model

Semi-empirical BRDF models (for surface total reflectance description): -Rahman-Pinty-Verstraete (RPV) model (*Rahman et al., (1993)*) -Ross-Li sparse model, Ross-Li dense model (*Ross, (1981), Li, X., Strahler (1992)*) -Ross-Roujean model (*Roujean et al., (1992*))

Semi-empirical BPDF models (for surface polarized reflectance description): -Nadal-Breon model (*Nadal and Bréon*, (1999)) -Maignan model (*Maignan et al.*, (2009))

Physically based models for the reflection matrix for surfaces. -Cox-Munk model, Koepke model for whitecaps (for aerosol retrieval over ocean) -Physical models for land surface reflection matrix (under development) (Litvinov et al., 2011)

# The concept of the algorithm. Numerical inversion module

The concept of statistical optimization is similar to AERONET retrieval (O. Dubovik and M. King, 2000; O. Dubovik 2004)

Two scenarios of retrieval (Dubovik et al., AMT, 2011):

- Conventional: single-pixel retrieval (each single pixel are inverted independently)
- New concept: multiple-pixel retrieval (group of pixels are inverted simultaneously)



Multi-term LSM statistically optimized Solution (Dubovik and King 2000, Dubovik 2004):

$$\boldsymbol{a}_{j} = \left(\boldsymbol{F}_{j}^{T} \boldsymbol{W}_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{F}_{j} + \gamma_{j} \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{j}\right)^{-1} \left(\boldsymbol{F}_{j}^{T} \boldsymbol{W}_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{f}_{j}^{*}\right)$$

, where  $\Omega_j = \mathbf{D}_j^T \mathbf{D}_j; \ \mathbf{W}_j = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_f^2} \mathbf{C}_f; \ \gamma_j = \frac{\varepsilon_f^2}{\varepsilon_o^2}$ 

# Numerical inversion module. The concept of multi-pixel retrieval



X-Variability Constraints

### Numerical inversion module. Multi - Pixel Retrieval:



# Algorithm testing. LOA synthetic data

### **Observational conditions:**

- Geometry is the same as for PARASOL over Banizoumbu (as in the example for actual PARASOL inversions)

- Surface is bright;
- Aerosol loadings: 16 cases for  $\tau(0.44) = 0.01 4;$
- Aerosol types: Dust, Biomass Burning (original from AERONET)
- Aerosol height 3 km



#### **Retrieved parameters:**

#### AEROSOL:

- -dV(*r*)/dlnr (16 bins from 0.07 to 10 μm);
- $n(\lambda)$ ,  $k(\lambda)$ ,  $\omega_0(\lambda)$
- Aerosol height
- Fraction of spherical particles

#### SURFACE:

- RPV BRDF (3 parameters for each λ);
- BPDF (1 parameter for each λ)

SPATIAL – TEMPORAL:

- 4 pixels for each of 4 days



**PARASOL:** 0.44, 0.49 (p+), 0.565, 0.675 (p+), 0.87(p+), 1.02 μm NO NOISE ADDED !!! (minor noise is always present) Single-Pixel Retrieval, Desert Dust aerosol (non-spherical!!!)











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Dubovik et al. AMT, 2011

!(0.44)

• 0.05 • 0.10

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• 0.40

--- 0.80

-2.40 ----

--- 3.50 -- 4.00

REAL

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Algorithm testing. Synthetic case studies, A.Kokhanovsky, 2012 CCI project "Climate ESA Retrieval of Aerosols"

#### POLDER: LOA-2(Dubovik) algorithm (BRDF) LOA-2 LOA-2 412nm 412nm 5 5 443nm 443nm 490nm 490nm 565nm 565nm 4 675nm 675nm 870nm 870nm retrieved AOT retrieved AOT 1020nm 1020nm 3 3 2 2 1 1 Case 2 Case 1 0 0 2 3 5 2 0 1 1 3 5 Λ reference AOT reference AOT



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# Application to the POLDER/PARASOL data

#### Dust and biomass Banizoumbu/Niger





### *Banizoumbou* NIGER

























2.0

-1.6

-1.2

0.8

-0.4

Lo.o







### Described in Dubovik et al., AMT, 2011

# **Algorithm Status:**



- 1. Core Algorithm is developed and performs well:
  - uses very elaborated aerosol and RT models;
  - based on rigorous statistical optimization;
  - performs well in numerical test (Dubovik et al. 2011, Kokhanovsky et al. 2010);
  - has a lot of flexibility for constraining retrieval: both for single-pixel and/or multi-pixel scenarios)
  - can be applied for other satellites/instruments
  - can use data from other satellite/inmessagestruments (CALIPSO, MODIS, AERONET etc)

2. <u>Issues:</u>

- too long 10 sec per 1 pixel!!!
- needs to be optimally set for operational processing
- cloud screening need to be improved !!!

Main Objective:

to make algorithm practical

















Parasol SSA\_1020, Banizoumbou, 2009-01-24

Libya

Saudi Arabia

Yem

Gulf of

Parasol SSA\_440, Banizoumbou, 2009-01-24



# Aerosol particle size distribution

#### Trapezoidal approximation





### **ASSUMPTIONS used by AERONET:**

- dV/dlnr - volume size distribution of aerosol in total atmospheric column;

- size distribution is modeled using 22 triangle size bins (0.05  $\leq$  R  $\leq$  15  $\mu$ m);
- size distribution is smooth

# Optimized representation of aerosol size distribution with limited number of size bins

#### Approximation by Small number of « bins »

Modeling Polydispersions:







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The software has been prepared for calculating spectral complex refractive index based on Shuster et al. 2009 approach:



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Add soluble and insoluble aerosols

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 $n(\lambda$ 

**k(**λ

4-component mixture

# Concept of internal mixing of the aerosol components:



Insoluble Inclusions:

- Black Carbon
- Iron
- other insoluble components ("quartz")

<u>n(</u>λ

**k(**λ

## Schuster et al. 2005, 2009

Maxwell Garnett's Effective Medium Approximation:

describes the macroscopic properties of a medium based on the properties and the relative fractions of its components

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## Synergy GEOSTATIONARY and POLAR (multi-pixel approach)

