Improved Satellite Ocean Color Retrievals of Ocean Inherent Optical Properties and Biogeochemical Properties Utilizing the Capabilities of PACE

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ACE Asia Massive Gobi Dust Event

Aircraft Track

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Large global data via vstrategic collaborations over 20 years
CalCOFI, JGOFS, AMLR, SIMBIOS, ONR JES, CCE LTER, NSF BWZ, ICECAPE

ACE Asia Stations
1, 14 15, 16, 17, 18, 28, 31, 32, 44, 48, 50

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Rrs  PRR800 UV-Vis, 19-λ
MER2040 12-λ,
ap, ad, aph as 300-800 nm
2 AC9 – parallel, unfiltered
HS6, FRRF

Chl-a = 0.05
Chl-a = 10,
Goal is to provide optimized hyperspectral global data for model development and evaluation

- Data, QC, Details
- IOP/AOP methods and processing
- Forward Model parameterization
- Inverse Modeling
- Collaborations
Hyperspectral extension applied to ACE-ASIA data
Narrow focus on detailed analysis of one of detailed cruise

Data $\rightarrow$ MODELS

\[ Rrs(\lambda) = f[ a(\lambda), \ bb(\lambda) ] \]

Evidence of absorption dampening exponential shape of \( bb \)

Slope of 0.6 between measured and modeled \( bb \)
Since \( a >> bb \) a small error in \( a \) can result in large error in \( bb \)
Example of Collaboration within team

- Evaluate Lee hyperspectral Rrs and basis absorption
- Compare modeled vs observed for two very different regions
- California Current (CalCOFI) and Arctic (ICESCAPE)

Very similar Rrs but differences in absorption for the model and observed

What is status of the available global data set for particle absorption?
Exploring uncertainty in particle absorption based on published methods for raw data processing

Power function fits of $\text{aph}(443)$ vs chl-a

4 published processing methods

Mitchell ‘90, Bricaud ‘90, Roessler ‘98 Stramski ‘15

• NASA SeaBASS / NOMAD have particle absorption results with no raw data or specification of processing methods
• How to evaluate the methods in an independent way?
• Can we use chl-a to get a better understanding?
• In blue not easy to independently evaluate which is best since detrital absorption and accessory pigment absorption can be large relative to chl-a absorption
Exploring uncertainty in particle absorption based on published methods for raw data processing

Power function fits of $\text{aph}(675)$ vs $\text{chl-a}$

At $\text{chl-a}$ peak of 675 detritus and accessory pigment contributions small

Near surface low nutrient high light samples should approach upper limit of $\text{chl-a}$ specific absorption $a^* \text{ph} = 0.027$ m$^2$/mgchl-a determined on $\text{chl-a/c}$ cultures (Johnsen et al. Moisan and Mitchell) or 0.03 for $\text{chla/b}$ cultures Sosik and Mitchell)

Thus at 675 the different methods for processing can be evaluated independently

For ACE-Asia:

*Roessler ‘98 tends to overestimate the expected upper limit
*Bricaud ‘90 and Stramski 15 fall far below expected upper limit
*Mitchell ‘90 is close to upper limit for $\text{chl a/c}$ and trends below at higher $\text{chl-a}$ as expected with larger cells and more pigment packaging

*Mitchell ‘90 slope of $\text{aph}(675)$ vs $\text{chl-a}$ is reasonable relative to lab studies
Mycosporine Amino Acid (MAA) absorption in UV for a harmful dinoflagellate. MAA is very important in UV including 350-400 nm.

- There is poor knowledge of the distribution of MAAs in the ocean and their effects on absorption and reflectance 350-400 nm.
- Very strong effect of nutrient stress on MAA for A. tamarense.
- MAA very significant UV effects for some harmful algae blooms.
- More work needed on MAA and effects on UV reflectance and how this may be used for HABs and PFT.

Kahru and Mitchell 1998: Red tide and CalCOFI

CalCOFI Red Tide
Including MAA with chl-a for modeling absorption in the UV

Comparison of estimated vs observed $a_{ph}(375)$ for oceanic samples. The estimate is based on a multiple linear regression of the concentration of MAAs and CHLA. The multiple regression using MAAs and CHLA is a better predictor than either MAAs or CHLA alone. Our initial concept for parameterization of $a_{ph}$ will be to use multiple linear regression for MAA and CHLA to ensure robust forward and inverse models for $a_{ph}$.
Needs

• Better effort to integrate diverse observations for cruises like ACE Asia Aerosol profiles, lidar, UV-VIS AOP and IOP, Aircraft, Satellite

• Options for alternative processing and evaluation
e.g. processing raw OD on filter to ap, ad, aph
    need raw data
    need a more thorough evaluation

• Robust instrumentation in UV / higher spectral resolution
    a, bb, c, VSF, Ed, Lu, Eu

• Collection and analysis of mycosporine amino acids and phycobiliproteins quantitative understanding in their contributions to absorption
    * integration of these into CHEMTAX framework for PFT
    * integration of these into forward and inverse optical models

• Collection of more complete optical and biogeochemical data sets