

AEROSOL AND SURFACE PROPERTIES CHARACTERIZATION FROM JOINT INVERSION OF SATELLITE AND GROUND-BASED OBSERVATIONS

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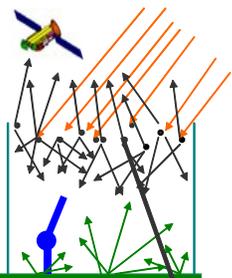
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- 1 Combine observations from satellite and ground based instruments observing the same atmospheric column.
- 2 Simultaneously retrieve aerosol and surface properties

Motivation:

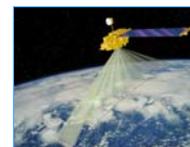
- 1 Ground based and satellite measurements are complementary
- 2 Potential to distinguish between aerosol and surface signals
- 3 Less assumptions are needed in retrieval algorithm



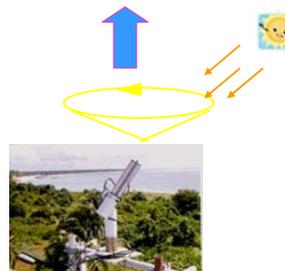
Atmospheric correction is required to retrieve surface properties

Aerosol retrievals rely on assumption of surface reflectance

Algorithm:



Observations



Modeling of radiative properties of surface-atmosphere system (forward modeling)
Detailed aerosol (same as in AERONET)
Multiple scattering
BRF modeled using parameterized model (Rahman-Pinty-Verstraete, 1993)

Numerical inversion:
 -Accounting for noise
 -Solving ill-posed problem
 -Setting a priori constraints (Dubovik and King, 2000)

OUTPUT:
aerosol : particle size distribution, complex refractive index, single scattering albedo
surface: BRF, surface albedo

Parameters:

AEROSOL:

- Particle size distribution (in the total atmospheric column)
- Complex refractive index (at both AERONET and satellite wavelengths)

Single scattering albedo (calculated)

Surface :

- Bidirectional reflectance factor (BRF)
- BRF model: Rahman-Pinty-Verstraete, 1993
- Observations: (AERONET/MISR and/or AERONET/POLDER)

Surface albedo

- Lambertian surface albedo
- Observations: (AERONET/MODIS)

Joint inversion helps improving ground-based inversion

