



CLARREO Reference Intercalibration on Orbit for Reflected Solar Observation

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Presentations:

- 1) CLARREO Inter-Calibration in Reflected Solar: Status Update and Framework for Sensitivity to Polarization (C. Lukashin)**
- 2) Modeling Polarized Solar Radiation for CLARREO Inter-calibration Applications: Validation with PARASOL Measurements (W. Sun)**
- 3) PARASOL Observations and Empirical Polarization Distribution models (D. Goldin)**
- 4) The Multi-Instrument Inter-Calibration (MIIC) Framework: update (C. Currey)**

CLARREO Inter-calibration in Reflected Solar

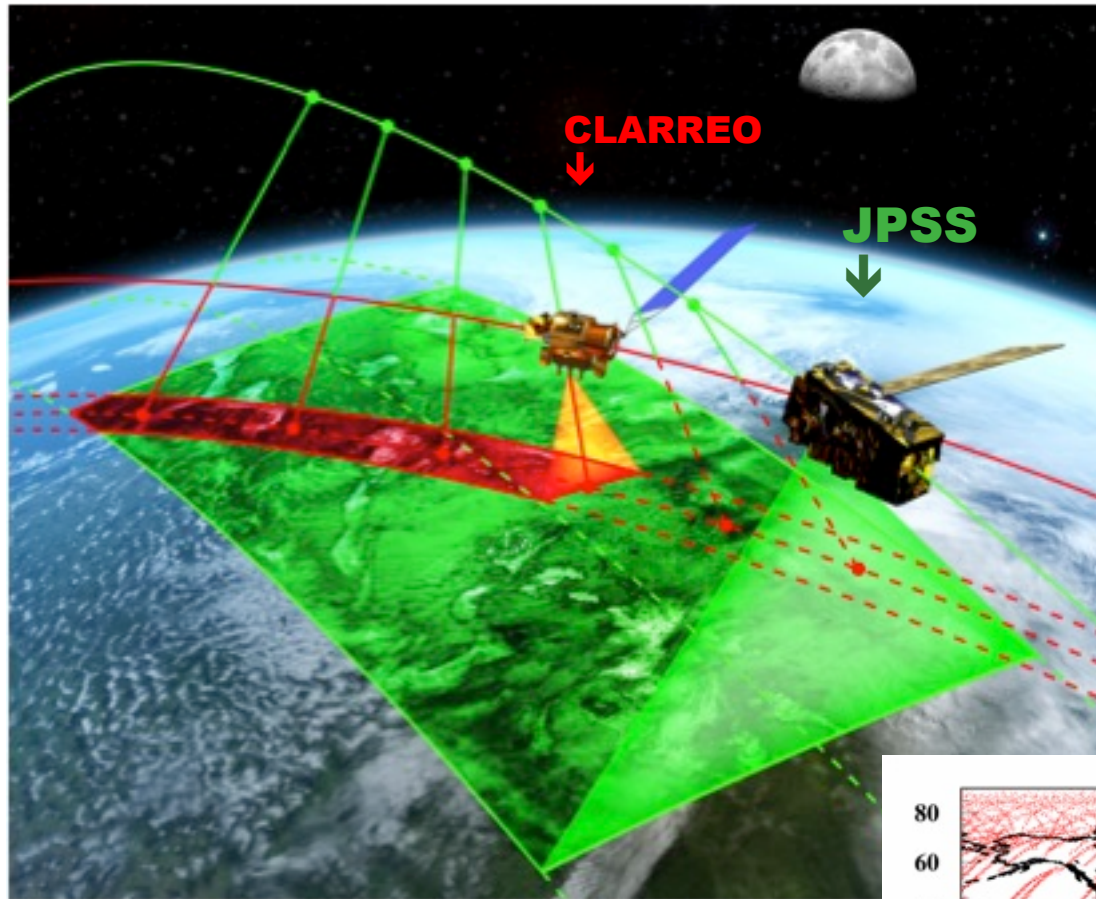
- 1) **Objective:** Enabling Climate Benchmark using CLARREO for reference inter-calibration of existing operational sensors.
- 2) **CLARREO Reference Inter-calibration will provide data to determine and correct operational sensors for:**
 - Instrument effective offset and gain.
 - Spectral response change on orbit.
 - Sensitivity to Polarization.
 - Non-linearity.
- 3) **CLARREO RSS inter-calibration goal: uncertainty contribution $\leq 0.15\%$ ($k=1$) over autocorrelation time period ≤ 0.8 year (type-A uncertainty).**

Limit contribution of Type-B uncertainty, e.g. from spectral convolution – (narrowband imagers), and in CERES/RBI broadband.

4) **Inter-calibration targets:**

- **On-orbit sensors: CERES, RBI & VIIRS/JPSS, AVHRR/Metop, GEO Imagers, Landsats.**
- **Surface: Dome C, Desert sites (GSICS list of surface sites).**

CLARREO RS Instrument On-Orbit Pointing Operations



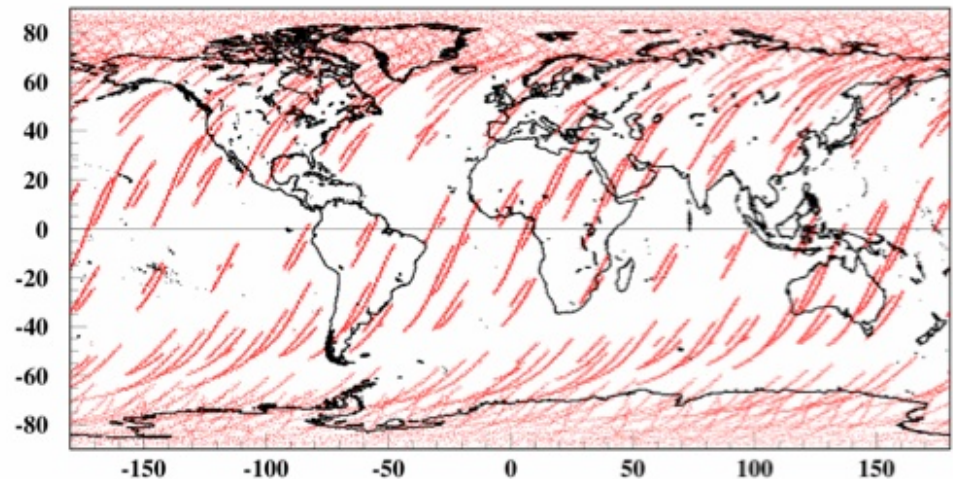
Matching requirements:

- Within ± 5 min of the JPSS passing;
- VZA match within 1.4° ;
- RAZ match within 0.5° ;
- SZA $< 75^\circ$;
- At least 10 km effective width of swath.

Inter-calibration sampling studies:

- CLARREO in polar 90° inclination orbit.
- The ISS orbit.
- Sampling for both, LEO and GEO targets

Figure: CLARREO RSS boresight locations, which matched JPSS cross-track data over one year time period. CLARREO in P90 orbit.



- ◆ 2-D pointing on-orbit is required.
- ◆ Time/space/angle matching to obtain ensemble of samples with data matching noise limited to 1% ($k=1$)
(Wielicki et al., IGARS 2008)

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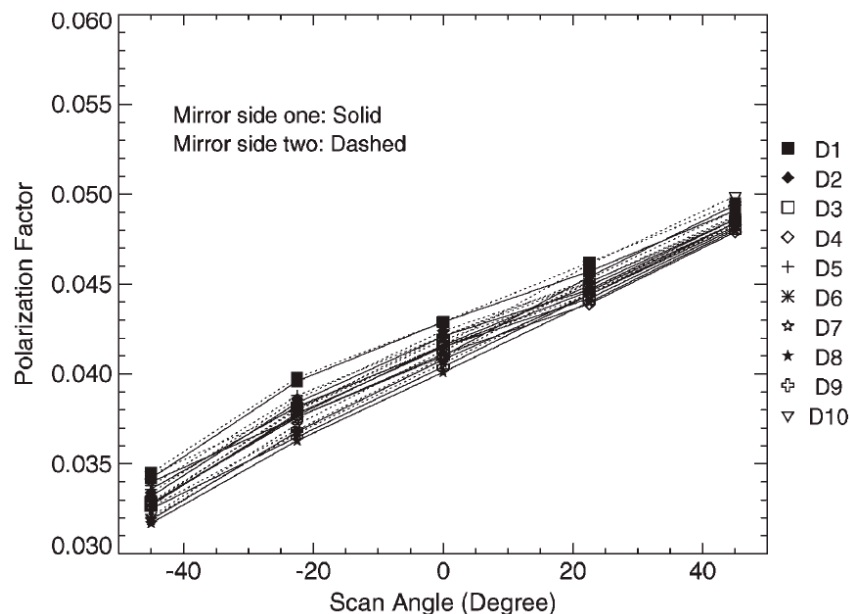
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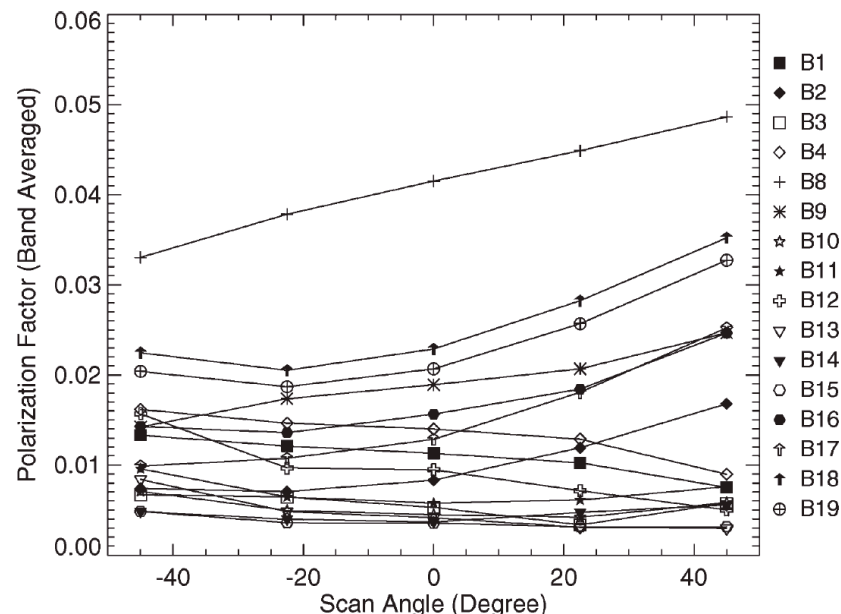
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CLARREO RSS Approach to Account for Imager Sensitivity to Polarization on Orbit



(a) Polarization factors for Aqua band 8.



(b) Detector-averaged polarization factors for Aqua.

**Sun and Xiong: "MODIS Polarization-Sensitivity Analysis",
IEEE Trans. on Geo. and Rem. Sensing, v. 45, n. 9, 2007.**

Objective: Take into account MODIS/Terra/Aqua & VIIRS/JPSS sensitivity to polarization in orbit by providing Polarization information on as function of viewing geometry and scene type.

Impact: Accuracy of Level-1B data, Ocean Color , Vegetation and Aerosol data products.

Imager Calibration Model (MODIS as an example)

MODIS calibration model, reflectance factor (*Xiong et al., 2003, 2006*)

$$\rho_{EV} \cos(\theta_{EV}) = m_1 dn_{EV} d_{ES}^2 (1 + k_{inst} \Delta T) / RVS_{EV}$$

θ_{EV} - solar zenith angle

m_1 - factor from solar calibration (SD and SD Monitor)

dn_{EV} - detector response to earth radiance

d_{ES} - sun-to-earth distance

k_{inst} - temperature correction coefficient

ΔT - temperature difference from reference value

RVS_{EV} - response versus scan angle

Simplified RI Imager calibration model with polarization factor in:

$$\rho^{sensor} = \frac{\rho_0}{(1 + mP)} \quad \text{Consistent with Sun and Xiong 2007.}$$

m - sensitivity to polarization, it is function of θ and χ

$\rho_0 = \rho_{EV}$ (not-polarized reflectance)

CLARREO RSS RI: Polarization Parameters

Degree of linear polarization (P or DOP):

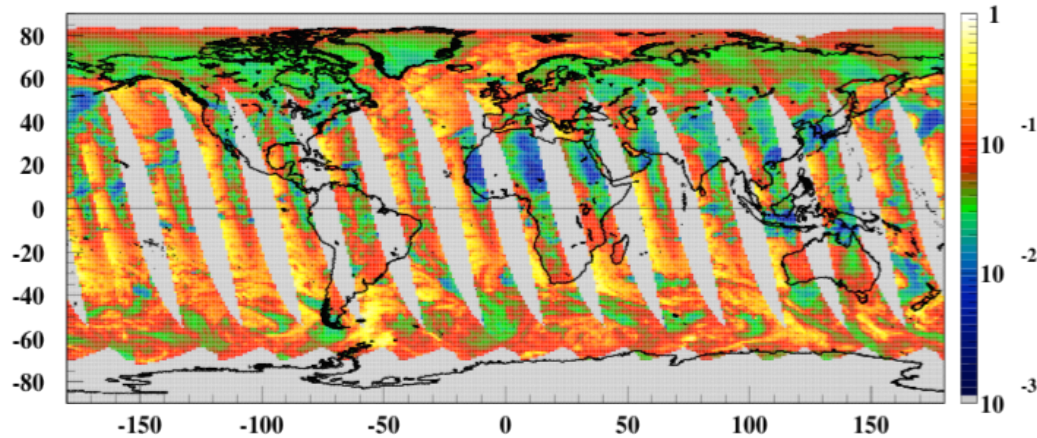
$$P = \frac{L_p}{L} = \frac{\sqrt{Q^2 + U^2}}{L} = \frac{\rho_p}{\rho}.$$

**Polarization angle, defined relative to viewing plane
(PARASOL definition, range from -45° to 135°):**

$$\chi = \begin{cases} \tan^{-1} (U/Q) / 2 \\ \tan^{-1} (U/Q) / 2 + \pi/2 \end{cases} \quad \text{if } Q < 0.$$

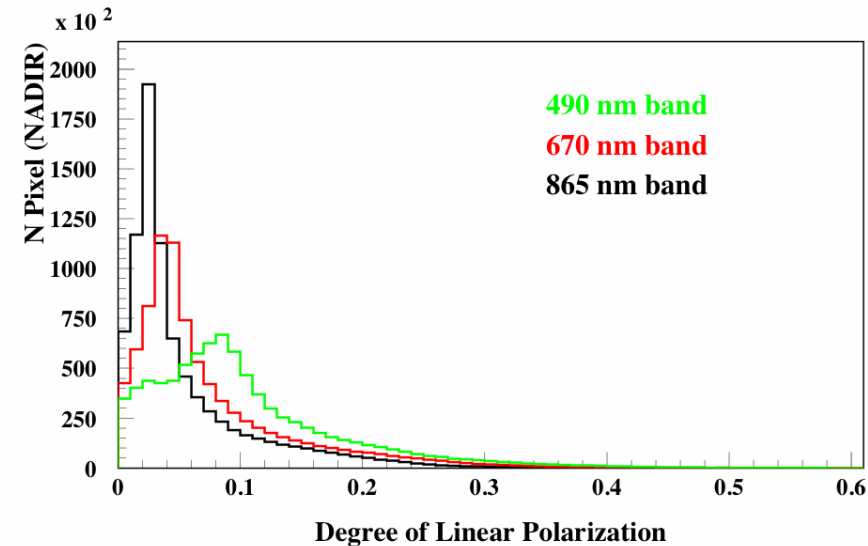
Note: The χ should be 90° for scattering in principle plane

Polarization Data from PARASOL (2006.04.01)



a) 2006.04.01: Degree of polarization at $\lambda = 670$ nm

a) PARASOL data:
Simulated cross-track sampling,
 $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$ lon/lat grid,
670 nm wavelength.



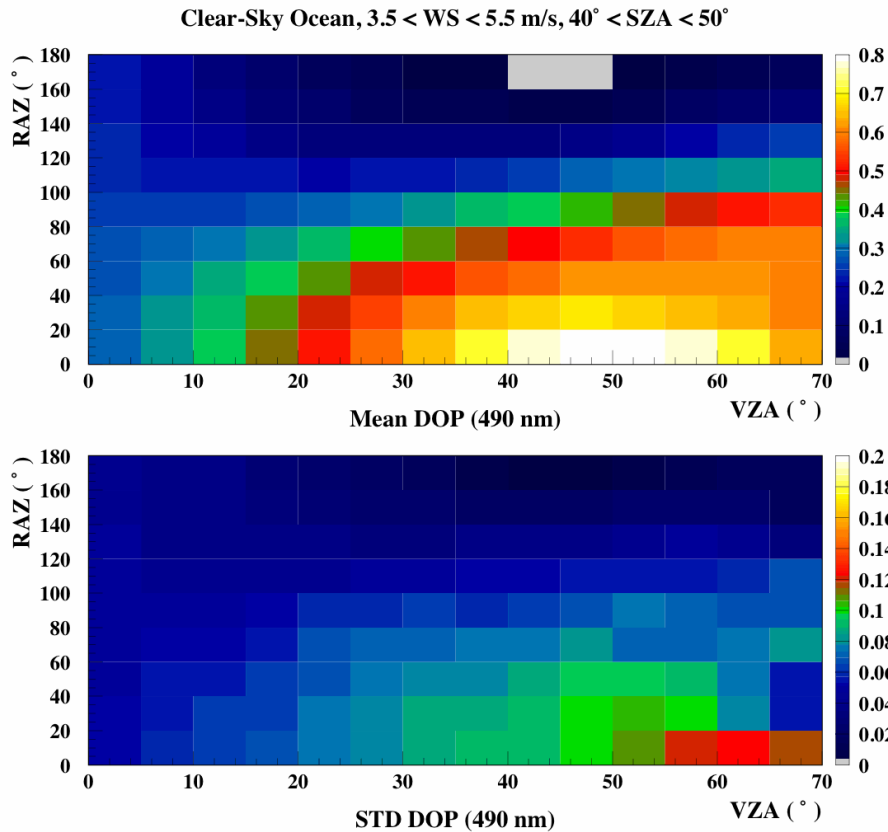
b) PARASOL data:
DOP frequency distribution

See presentation by Daniel Goldin
for more details on the PARASOL data.

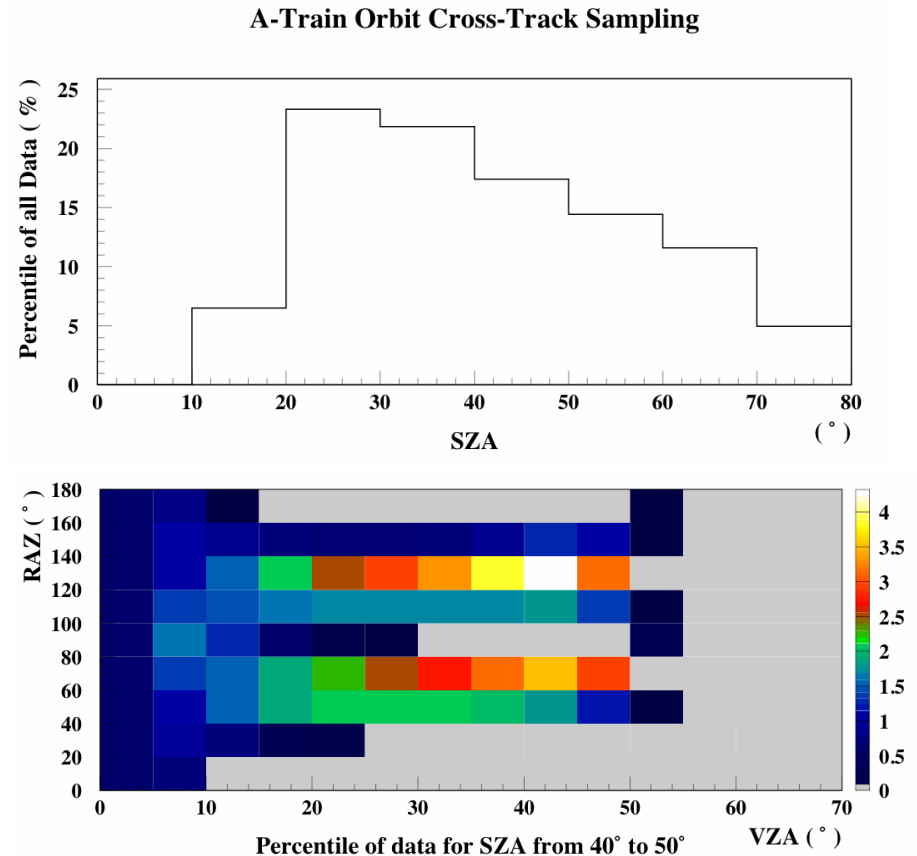
Polarization Distribution Models

Potentially high DOP: clear-sky ocean

Prototype PDM and its STD, PARASOL Data (12 days of 2006, 1 per month):



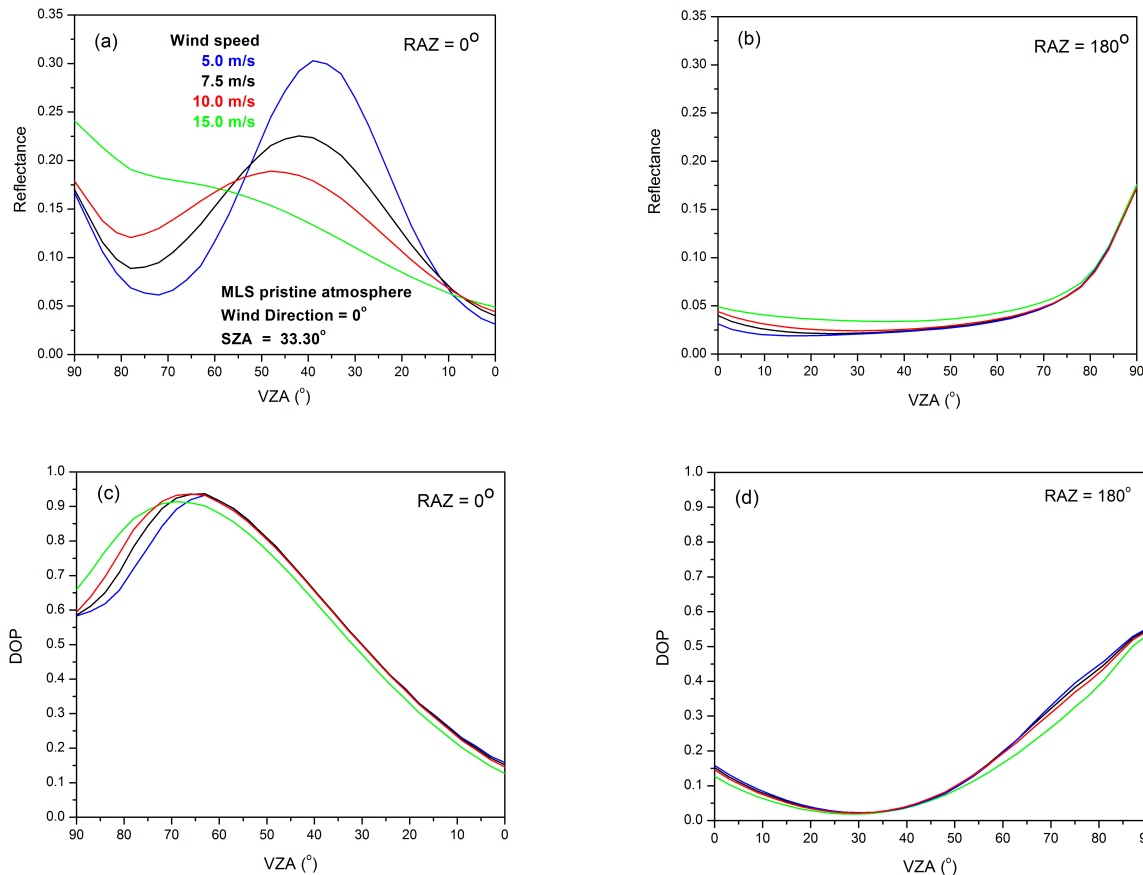
A-Train Orbit Cross-Track Sampling (PARASOL 12 days of 2006):



See presentation by Daniel Goldin for more details on the empirical PDMs.

Theoretical PDMs (example of clear-sky ocean)

Calculations by Wenbo Sun



The total reflectance and DOP at the principal plane calculated with the ADRTM at a wavelength of 670 nm. Pristine clear atmosphere with the mid-latitude summer atmospheric profile is assumed. The solar zenith angle is 33.3°. Wind direction is at 0°. Wind speeds are 5.0 m/s, 7.5 m/s, 10.0 m/s, and 15.0 m/s, respectively.

See presentation by Wenbo Sun for details on polarization modeling

CLARREO RSS / Imager Inter-Calibration Formalism

Constraints for CLARREO/Imager RI samples on orbit:

$$\begin{cases} \rho^{clarreo} = \rho_0 & \text{if } P = 0 \\ \rho^{clarreo} = \rho_0 / (1 + mP) & \text{if } P > 0. \end{cases}$$

CLARREO/Imager reflectance difference (scalar and linear terms):

$$\begin{cases} \rho_0 - \rho^{clarreo} = A_0 + G_0 \rho^{clarreo} & \text{if } P = 0. \\ \rho^{sensor} - \rho^{clarreo} = A_p + G_p \rho^{clarreo} & \text{if } P > 0. \end{cases}$$

A_0 and G_0 - for samples with not polarized reflectance

A_p and G_p - for samples with polarized reflectance

Let us call A 's and G 's reference inter-calibration offset and gain...

CLARREO RSS Inter-Calibration: Imager Sensitivity to Polarization

$$G_p - G_0 = mP$$

RI gain difference for non-polarized and polarized reflectance is attributed to sensitivity to polarization

$$m = \frac{(G_p - G_0)}{P} = \frac{\Delta G}{P}$$

Imager sensitivity to polarization on orbit

$$\frac{\sigma_m}{m} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_{\Delta g}}{\Delta G}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_p}{P}\right)^2}$$

Relative uncertainty of sensitivity to polarization on orbit

$$\frac{\sigma_{\Delta g}}{\Delta G} = \frac{\sqrt{\sigma_{g_0}^2 + \sigma_{g_p}^2}}{\Delta G}$$

- First term is relative uncertainty of RI gain difference (RI sampling).

- Second term is relative uncertainty of the PDMs.

CLARREO/Imager Inter-Calibration: Resulting Radiometric Uncertainty

For fixed θ and χ values, assuming no correlation, reflectance variance:

$$(\sigma^{sensor})^2 = (1 + mP)^2 \sigma_0^2 + (m\rho_0)^2 \sigma_p^2 + (P\rho_0)^2 \sigma_m^2$$

Then, relative radiometric uncertainty:

$$\frac{\sigma^{sensor}}{\rho^{sensor}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_0}{\rho_0}\right)^2 + \frac{P^2\sigma_m^2 + m^2\sigma_p^2}{(1 + mP)^2}}$$

First term is uncertainty for non polarized reflectance. Second term is from polarization effects.

$$\frac{\sigma_0}{\rho_0} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma^{clarreo}}{\rho_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{intercal}}{\rho_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma^{sensor}}{\rho_0}\right)^2}$$

- The first term is combined accuracy of CLARREO, RI random error, and remaining Imager uncertainty (e.g. month-to-month stability).
- Spectral aliasing is not included.

Numerical Estimates of Inter-Calibrated Imager Uncertainty:

Single measurement of m on orbit

Inputs for calculation:

$m = 3\%$ ($k=1$)

$\sigma_{\text{pdm}} = 5\%, 10\%, 15\%$ ($k=1$) \leftarrow Uncertainty in Polarization (PDM)

$\sigma_{\text{g0}} = 0.10\%$ ($k=1$)

$\sigma_{\text{gp}} = 0.15\%$ ($k=1$)

$\sigma_{\text{clarreo}} = 0.15\%$ ($k=1$)

$\sigma_{\text{residue}} = 0.10\%$ ($k=1$)

