



GEMS L1B Status and Update

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Radiometric characteristics

Daily variation of the L0 digital counts







Radiometric characteristics

Radiometric calibration does not remove L0 issue

- Even the L1 irradiance shows a clear spatio-spectral variation
- The oscillating feature is in synchronous with temporal variation of solar azimuthal angle at the solar Cal measurement
- The least variations are shown at nadir and the spring/autumn equinox (when the solar geometry is close to that of conditions used for the ground diffuser BTDF characterization)







Empirical correction of geometry dependence of BTDF

- Using the nadir measurement, azimuthal dependence is isolated in the measured solar irradiance
- The 3rd order polynomial correction function as a function of azimuthal angle is derived (example for 480 nm)







Validation

- Comparison with the TROPPOMI solar irradiance
 - \checkmark Disappeared spatio-temporal variation of the different pattern
 - \checkmark Difference in irradiance as a function of wavelength
 - ✓ Increased discrepancy with time at the shorter wavelength (degradation issue)







Validation

- Time series of RSD (reference solar diffuser)
 - ✓ Time series of infrequently used RSD clearly shows discontinuity when measurements are made summer and winter period (upper half panel)
 - ✓ After the BTDF correction, such spatial and temporal variation are disappeared



*****Validation

- Comparison with the GK2B/AMI data
 - ✓ Two co-located twin GEO satellites (within 0.05°)
 - ✓ One Vis Ch. of AMI overlaps with GEMS
 - Two data are collocated in terms of observation time, target, geometry as well as wavelength
 - No clear spatial dependency in the radiance data
 - ✓ However, in the reflectivity, clear N-S as well as the seasonal variations (Jan. vs. Jul.) before the correction (left column) are disappeared after the correction (right column)



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Mitigate diffuser degradation







Near term activity









Near term activity

Update of absolute radiometric calibration

• TROPOMI (2021.01-2021.12, 5 days) & OMPS (2021.01-2021.12, every day)





Summary and future works

Issues	Level 1B Products			Effect	NIER	EOSRL
	IRR (F)	RAD (I)	REF (R)		L1C V2.0	2024
Diffuser N-S dependence	0	x	O (I/F)	Systematic bias along the N-S direction	+	Reduced (<2%, REF)
Diffuser BTDF	0	X	O (I/F)	Negative bias in IRR	+	10% ↑
Diffuser degradation	0	X	O (I/F)	Higher degradation in ~300 nm	+	+
Optics degradation	0	0	Х	Systematic decrease in overall signal	+	+
Radiometric cal. coefficient	0	0	Х	Systematic bias depending on WV	+	+
Stripping pattern	0	0	Х	Artificial patterns (~2%)	+	+
Stray light	-	0	0	Higher signals @~300 nm	+	In process
Discontinuity	0	?	?	Bias, stripping	+	In process







Thank you



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