Interrogating MODIS & AIRS data using HYDRA





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For AIRS data orders http://daac.gsfc.nasa.gov/

The HYDRA Window



Loading a Granule



HYDRA IR window with 29 May 2001 MODIS L1B 1KM granule

Select region for full resolution display



Select color and Zoom to see single pixel resolution





Multichannel Viewer

Under Tools

Linear Combinations opens *Channel Combination Tool* display where you can specify linear combinations of spectral bands a,b,c and d

(a +-x / b) +-x / (c +-x / d).

RGB allows you to select a spectral channel for each color in the RGB display

Transect allows you to create a line on the image and see the temperatures or radiances along the transect marked by shift plus right click and drag. *Capture Display* allows you to save the image as a jpeg

Statistics displays the min and max values in the image

Reference Spectrum allows you to compare spectral measurements from two selected pixels (controlled by the arrows in the bottom toolbar)

Pseudo RGB Composite Image



Transect



Linear Combination BT4 – BT11



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Transect



Comparing IR to NIR Cloud Detection



Thin cirrus show up in BT8.6-BT11 (left) as well as r1.38 (right)

Setting up for scatter plot of BT11 vs r0.66





Scatter Plot of r_{vis} vs BT_{11}

with colors highlighting locations of pixels in plot on images

Linear Combinations Pseudo Image of Normalized Vegetation Index $[(r_2 - r_1)/(r_2 + r_1)]$



MODIS level 2 cloud mask display



clear =green probably clear (95% certain) = turquoise uncertain = red cloudy = white

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BT1384.5 minus BT1387.2

BT differences of more than 40 K are seen in clear regions and less than 1 K in opaque high cloudy regions

Investigating AIRS Retrievals

On-line off-line BT difference is greater
in western (blue x) than
eastern (red dot)
location of Black Sea;
x has more low level
moisture than dot.

This is confirmed by moisture profiles (upper left); 900 hPa retrieved moisture image (lower left) shows moisture gradients

AIRS (right) and MODIS (left) co-located display of spectra

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Downloading and Installing HYDRA

For Windows Users

Important note: before installing this version, be sure to uninstall the previous one! using: Start->Control Panel->Add/Remove Programs.

Download the installer file from this location to a temporary directory. When the transfer is complete, just *run* this file and follow the instructions. We recommend just using the default options presented.

For Linux Users

Download the tar-gz file from this location. When the transer is complete, then 'cd' to the parent directory and unpack the archive. This will create its own hydra subdirectory as a child.

For Mac OS-X Users

Download the tar-gz file from this location. When the transer is complete, then 'cd' to the parent directory and unpack the archive. This will create its own hydra subdirectory as a child. You must have Java and Java3D installed in order to use HYDRA.

Running the HYDRA application

To startup the Hydra application, either click on the menu item (Windows) or type the command *runhydra.bat*. On Linux, you will likely just type in the command *runhydra*. Please see the on-line tutorial for more details.

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After mid Aug 2006 go to

https://ladsweb.nascom.nasa.gov/data

Steps in downloading data

- 1) Go to <u>http://ladsweb.nascom.nasa.gov</u>/
- and select data and then search. Make sure that cookies are accepted by your browser (most browsers are set this way already). Under Satelllite/Instrument choose either Aqua or Terra
- 2) Under Group: Choose Aqua Level 1 Products or Terra Level 1 Products (depends on what you chose in step 1).
- 3) Under Products: Choose either 1km, 500m or 250m L1B Calibrated Radiances or you can choose all 3 if you want.
- 4) Under Start Date and Time: Use 07/10/2006 00:00:00
- 5) Under End Date and Time: 07/15/2006 23:59:59
- 6) In the Spatial Selection section choose: Latitude/Longitude
- A map should pop up. You can either outline your area of interest buy outlining a box on the map, or you can type in the North, South, East and West Limits in the boxes to the right of the images for your area of interest (Sudan). I used 0 South, 20 North, 25 West and 35 East.
- 7) Under Coverage Selection Choose: If you only want Day granules (will contain channels in the visible wavelengths), then make sure the Night and Both boxes are not checked. I chose to only get Day granules.
- 8) Click on the Search button at the bottom. This might take a minute or two.
- 9) Eventually, I received a page that contained 6 pages of granules that met my search criteria. Under the Browse column, I could click on the image to get a quick look view of the granule.
- 10) I chose to order all of the granules that were returned from my search. I clicked on the Order Files Now button at the bottom of the window.
- 11) A page appeared that asked for my email address. I typed it in: <u>kathy.strabala@ssec.wisc.edu</u>
 12) I chose FTP Pull and clicked on the Order button.
- 13) It returned a window that told me some of my order is ready (alot of the data is already online). The rest of the data will be staged and I will be informed via email when it is ready.
- 14) I received an email that tells me how I can get the data.
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HYDRA has been part of an effort for Environmental Literacy, Outreach, and Education

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