MFG/MVIRI potential for aerosol retrieval

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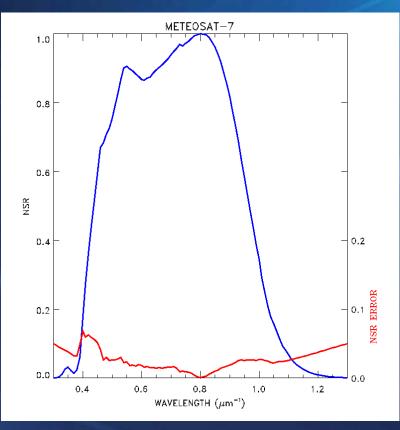
OVERVIEW

- Meteosat First Generation characteristics;
- Aerosol property retrieval from geostationary observations;
- PROS and CONS;
- Contributions of geostationary observations to aerosol ECV generation;
- Expected results.



METEOSAT FIRST GENERATION

- One image acquired every 30 min;
- One "broad" spectral band in VIS region;
- Sampling distance of 2.5km at SSP;
- 8 (6) bits;
- Continuous time series since 1982!



AEROSOL RETRIEVAL FROM GEO

- As for any satellite data, the issue is to separate the contribution from surface and atmosphere;
- Frequent observations allow to accumulate data during the course of the day to document surface BRF and aerosol daily cycle;
- Inversion of the physically-based RTM for the joint retrieval of surface BRF and aerosol properties.



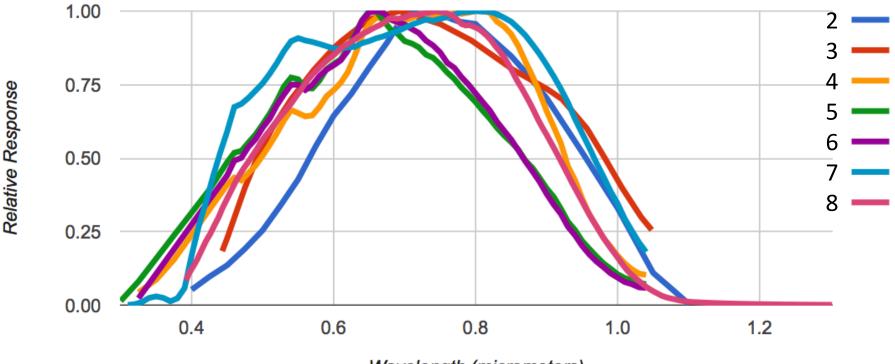
PROS

 Continuous and consistent observation since 1982;

- Possibility to retrieve daily cycle of aerosol load;
- Operational system, ie, well maintained.



1. Spectral response of MVIRI/VIS band has been extremely poorly characterized pre-launch;



Wavelength (micrometers)

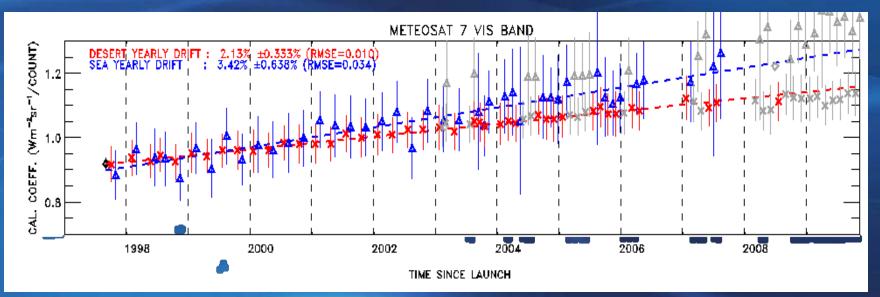


There are evidences that these poor characterization lead to inconsistent calibration results;

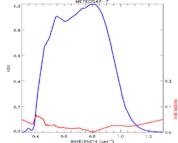
- Govaerts (1999) showed that M-5 and -6 SRFs VIS bands are erroneous and lead to inconsistent calibration results;
- Decoster (2013) showed that M-7 SRF VIS band has some deficiencies in the blue part of the spectral region.



2. Spectral ageing of the spectral response, i.e., the blue part is degrading faster than the NIR one;



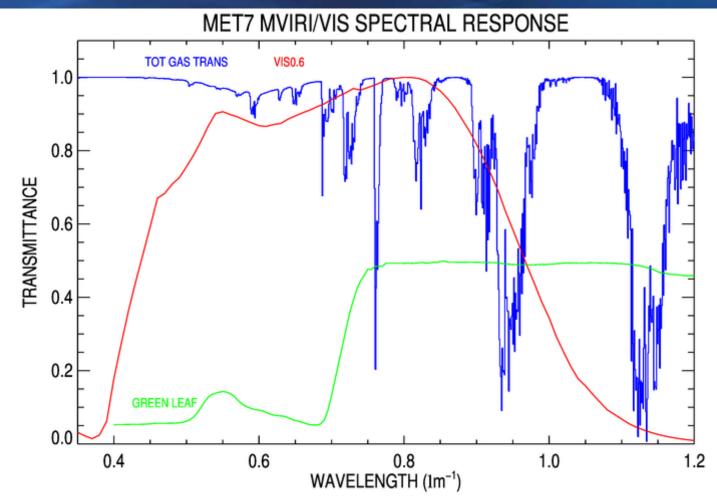
Drift of Met-7 MVIRI/VIS band over bright desert and sea surface (after Govaerts et al., 2004)





- Issues 1 and 2 are currently being addressed in the framework of the FIDUCEO H2020 project (2015 - 2018);
- Development of a reverse engineering methode to recover the spectral response and its spectral ageing;
- Based on accurate TOA spectral radiance simulation over pseudo-invariant calibration sites.

Molecular absorption (gas trans. = 0.92); Broad band very far monochromatic.



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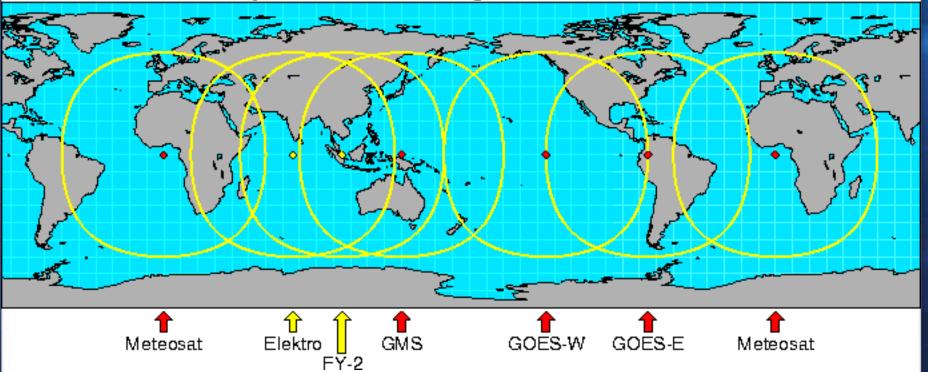
To address issue 3, a fast RTM has been developed that ;

- Include a correction for the spectral width of VIS band;
- Specifically account for the radiative coupling between water vapour absorption and aerosol scattering.

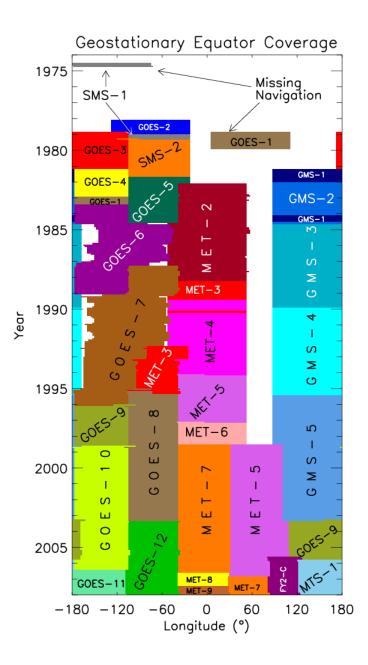


Potential for an aerosol ECV from geostationary observations

Global Geostationary Satellite Coverage







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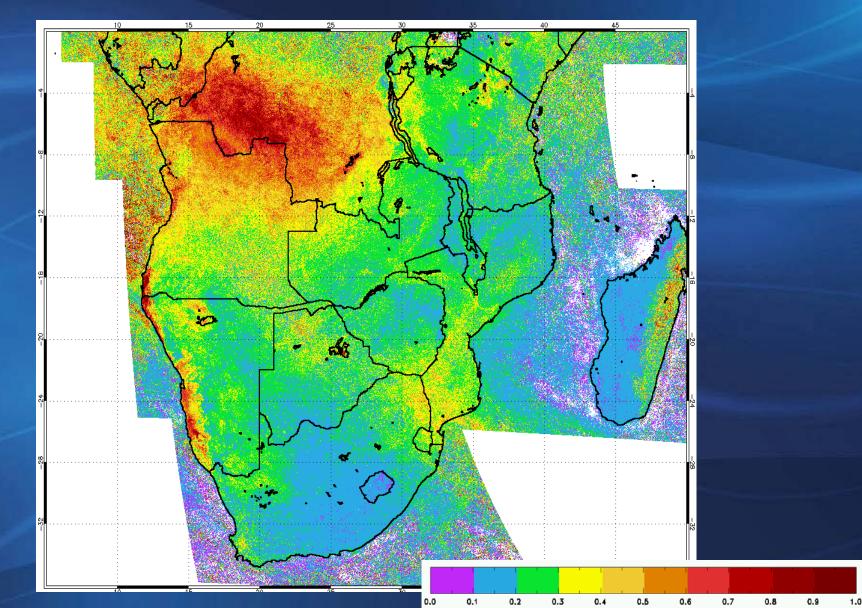


Expected results

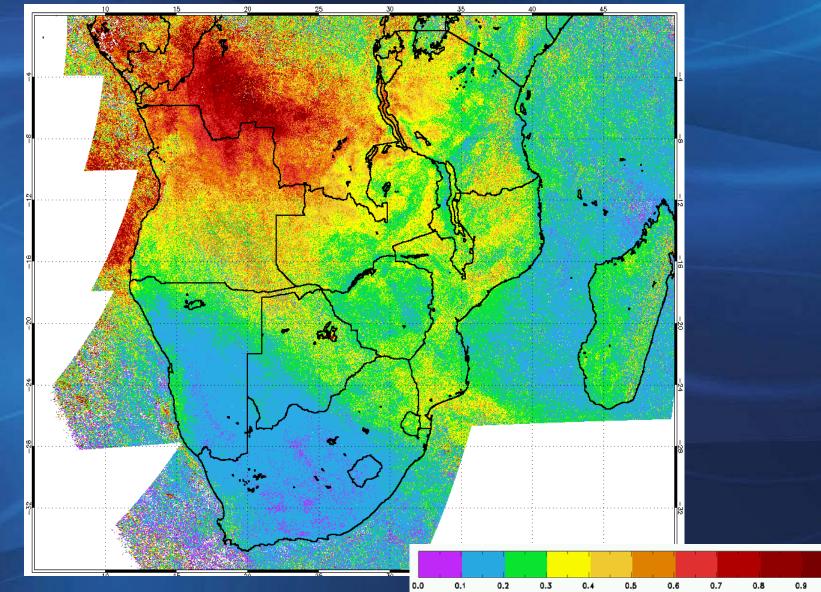
- Eumetsat has already processed the entire MFG archive for surface albedo retrieval;
- Daily aerosol load derived as a side product of the joint surface aerosol retrieval;
- Not (yet) temporally consistent due to the previous listed issues.



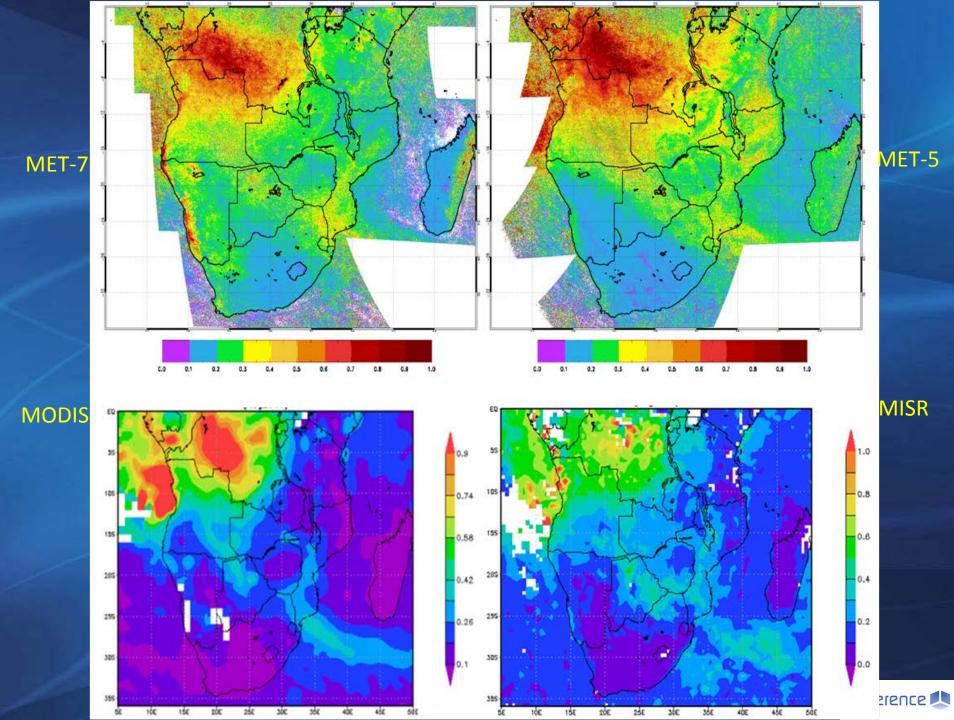
MET-7 AUG 2001 MONTHLY MEAN AOD FROM GSA 0 degree

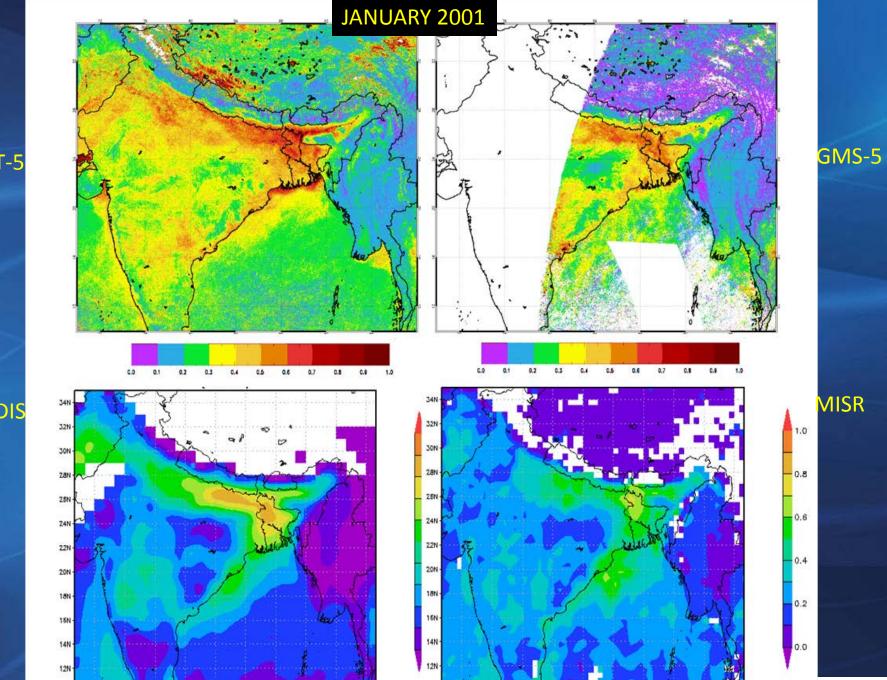


MET-5 AUG 2001 MONTHLY MEAN AOD FROM GSA 57 degrees



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