# The 3C method for glint removal from above-surface radiometry

A summary and an update



Validation of a spectral correction procedure for sun and sky reflections in above-water reflectance measurements

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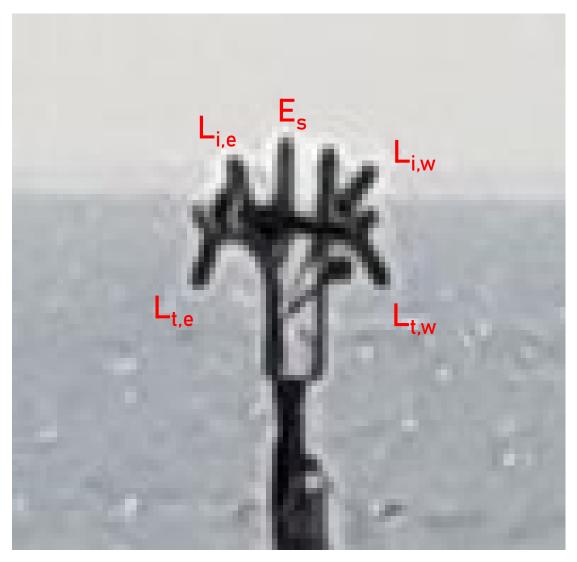
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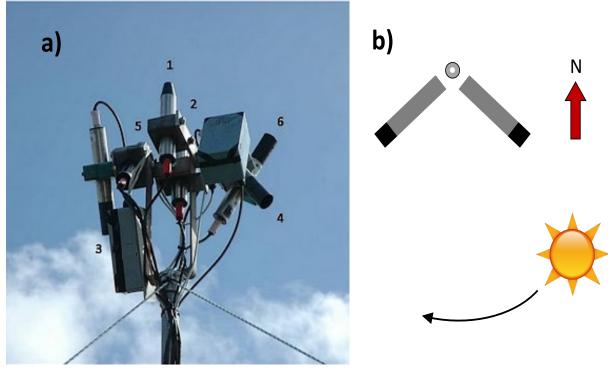


- Not suitable for satellite validation
- Potentially harmful
- Use at your own risk

## You have been warned!







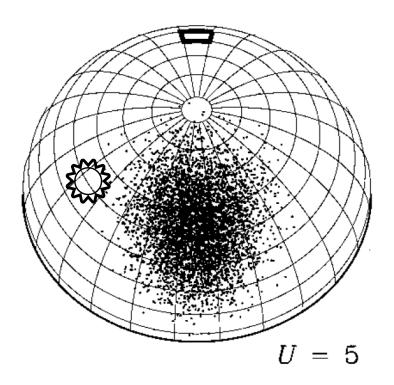
Measuring every 15 min since 2008

### Protocol used at NIOZ before me

- Single radiance acquisitions
- Use the direction orientation (east or west) that has less  $\frac{L_t}{E_S}$
- $R_{rs} = \frac{L_t \rho L_i}{E_s}$

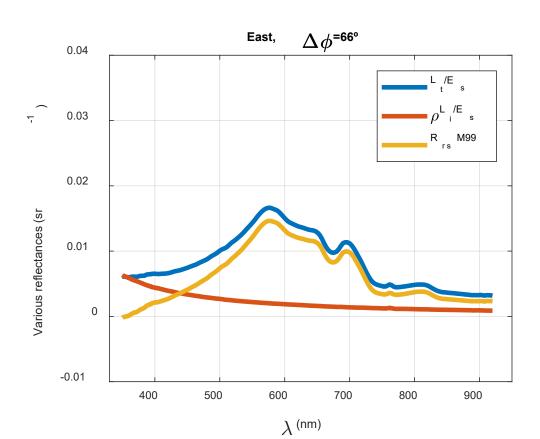
# On statistical representativeness of the radiances involved in the correction

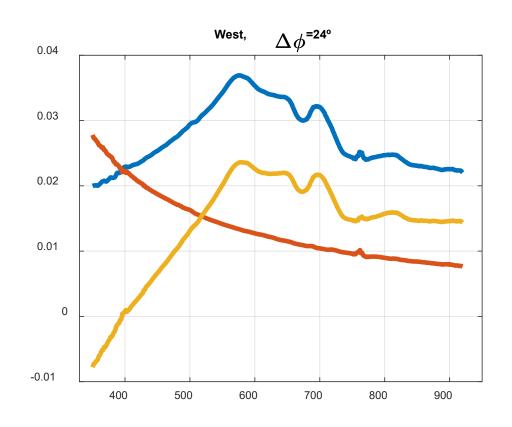
- We know:  $L_w = L_t \rho L_i$
- But what is  $\rho$ ?
- $\rho$  is the result of Monte Carlo calculations over a large number of realizations for the PDF of the sea state given the wind speed
- Single acquisitions of  $L_t$  are an instantaneous sampling of that PDF  $\rightarrow$  it needs multiple acquisitions
- Better written:  $L_w = \langle L_t \rangle \rho \langle L_i \rangle$
- Not possible for NIOZ data



# Case study 08-May-2008 12:30 UTC

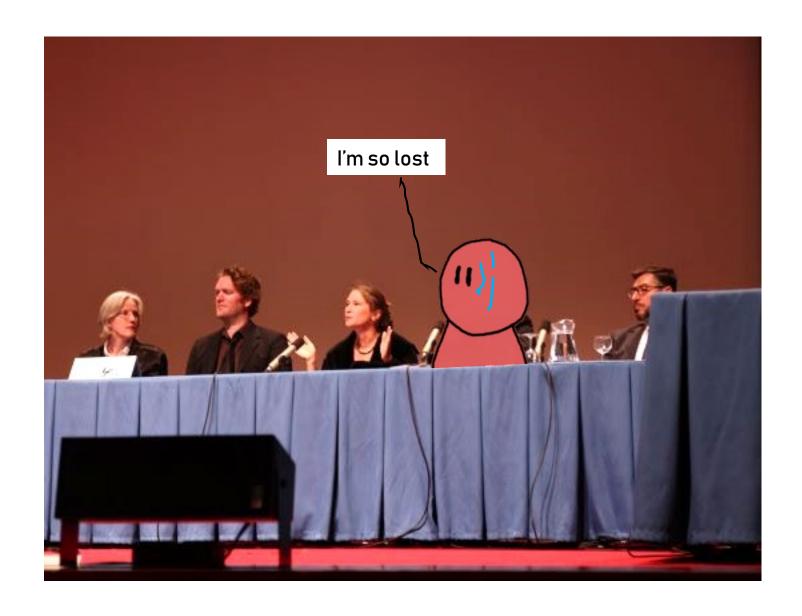
 $> \theta_s = 37^\circ$ , sunny, w = 6 m/s

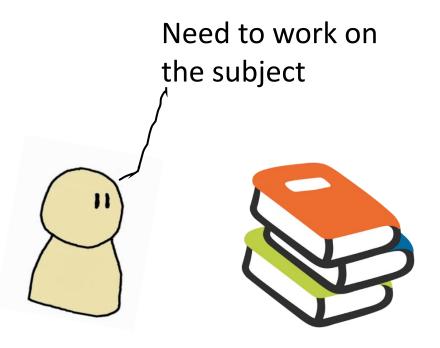




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$$R_{rs} = \frac{L_t}{E_s} - \rho_f \frac{L_i}{E_s} - \Delta(\lambda) \Rightarrow \text{A term } \Delta(\lambda) \text{ is introduced}$$
 (needs to be calculated) 
$$\frac{L_t}{E_s} = R_{rs} + \rho_f \frac{L_s}{E_s} + \Delta(\lambda)$$

Glint

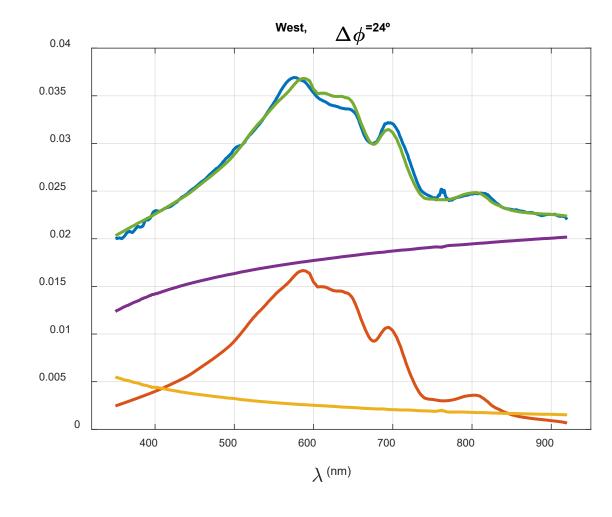
More generally:

$$\frac{L_t}{E_s}(\theta_s, \theta_v, \Delta \phi) = R_{rs}(\theta_s, \theta_v, \Delta \phi) + R_g(\theta_s, \theta_v, \Delta \phi)$$

$$\frac{L_t}{E_S} = R_{rS} + \rho_f \frac{L_i}{E_S} + \Delta(\lambda)$$

 $\Delta\phi^{ extsf{=}66^{
m o}}$ East, 0.04 L /E 0.035 modelled Fresnel glint 0.03  $\Delta^{(\lambda)}$ L /E s fitted 0.025 0.02 Various (sr 0.015 0.01 0.005 600 400 500 700 800 900  $\lambda^{\,(\mathrm{nm})}$ 

- The " $\Delta(\lambda)$ " term should account for the missing glint after  $\rho_f \frac{L_i}{E_s}$
- $\Delta(\lambda)$  is found by optimization of  $\frac{L_t}{E_s}$



## Let's dig a bit on the analytical models

• Groetsch et al. (2017) models  $R_{rs}$  using Albert and Mobley (2003)  $R_{rs} = p_1 (1 + p_2 x + p_3 x^2 + p_4 x^3)$ 

$$x = \frac{b_b}{a + b_b}$$
,  $u \to \text{wind speed}$  
$$\times \left(1 + p_5 \frac{1}{\cos \theta_s}\right) (1 + p_6 u)$$
$$\times \left(1 + p_7 \frac{1}{\cos \theta_v}\right) x$$

- How can you model  $R_{rs}$  without taking into consideration the azimuth?
- ...you don't
- $\rightarrow$  I shift to Lee et al. (2011)

### Lee et al. (2011) model

$$R_{rs}(\theta_{s}, \theta_{v}, \Delta \phi, IOPs) =$$

$$[G_{0}^{w}(\theta_{s}, \theta_{v}, \Delta \phi) + G_{1}^{w}(\theta_{s}, \theta_{v}, \Delta \phi)\omega_{bw}]\omega_{bw}$$

$$+[G_{0}^{p}(\theta_{s}, \theta_{v}, \Delta \phi) + G_{1}^{p}(\theta_{s}, \theta_{v}, \Delta \phi)\omega_{bp}]\omega_{bp}$$

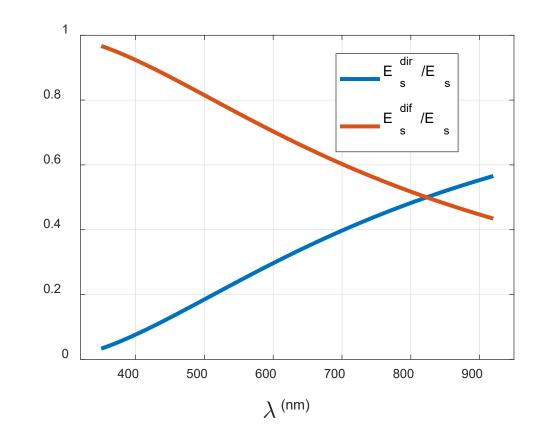
- ullet CHL, CDOM and TSM are guessed, determining  $\omega_{bw}$  and  $\omega_{bp}$
- See that the influences of the geometry  $(\theta_s, \theta_v, \Delta \phi)$  and the IOPs are clearly separated in the analytical expresión
- The model is invertible for the IOPs → modified QAA

$$\Delta = f_{sd}\rho_{sd}\frac{1}{\pi}\frac{E_{s}^{dir}}{E_{s}} + f_{ss}\rho_{ss}\frac{1}{\pi}\frac{E_{s}^{dif}}{E_{s}}$$
Direct Diffuse

 $\frac{E_S^{dir}}{E_S}$ ,  $\frac{E_S^{dif}}{E_S}$  are **basis functions** for the glint

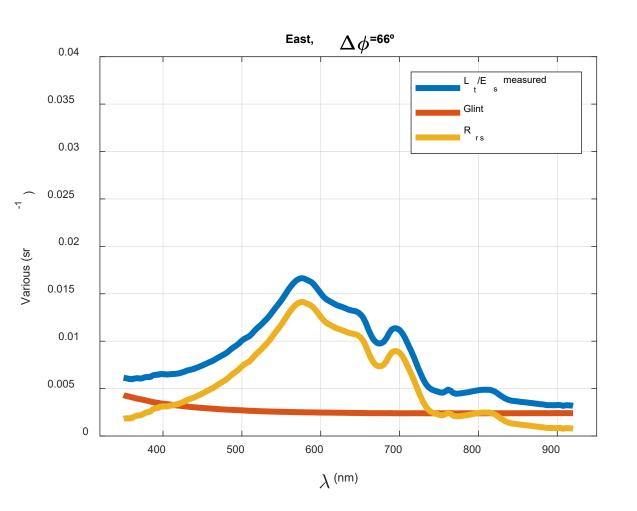
They can be...

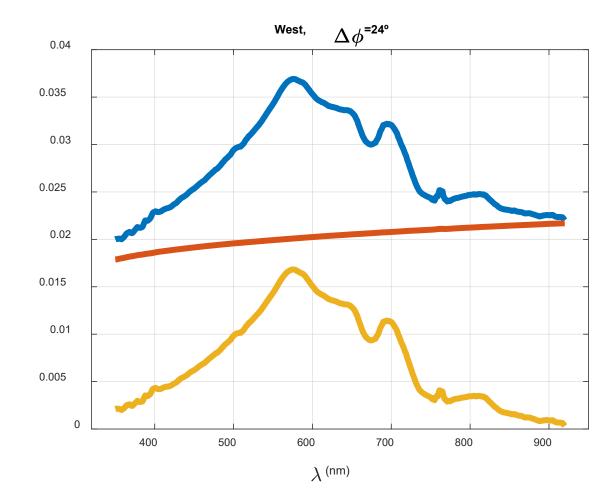
- Measured directly
- Guessed from atmospheric data + RTE
- Guessed by fitting  $\frac{L_t}{E_s}$  with Gregg and Carder, 1990)
  - $\rho_{sd}$ ,  $\rho_{ss}$   $\rightarrow$  Surface reflectance factors, KNOWN (Gege, 2012)
  - $f_{sd}, f_{ss} \rightarrow$  Fractions of the reflected direct and diffuse irradiances contributing to L<sub>u</sub>, UNKNOWN



#### Results

- ightharpoonup Low glint in the east sensors, dominated by the  $rac{L_i}{E_S}$  term
- > High glint in the west sensors, dominated by direct radiation





### Summary

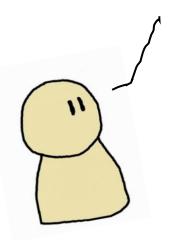
- $\succ$  The 3C model guesses the glint that is embedded in  $rac{L_t}{E_S}$
- Glint is expressed as diffuse and direct components
- 3C naturally simplifies to Mobley's method for sunny skies and high azimuths
- $\succ$  Likely reliable for some azimuthal range  $\Delta \phi < 90^\circ$
- > Ruddick's "similarity" method can be assumed implicit
- Operational 3C model is bugged
- https://gitlab.com/pgroetsch/rrs\_model\_3C in python
- https://gitlab.com/jaipipor/rrs\_model\_3c\_matlab to be updated

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