

Reference Solar Irradiance Spectrum - Initially IVOS discussion

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Background

From an IVOS perspective - Exo-atmospheric Solar spectral irradiance key parameter to link Earth Viewed radiances and reflectances (TOA and BOA)

- Band averaging, RT codes etc
- Spectral range (largely) ~400 2400 nm
- linkage and comparison of products from different sensors will depend on choice & method of use of solar irradiance spectrum
- 2003 CEOS plenary adopted a resolution from WGCV to encourage agencies to use

a common spectrum (based on a composite from Thuillier et al paper) or as a minimum to make clear what has, and how it has, been used.

- However, whilst significant agency uptake - not universal & is it still appropriate??

	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	B8	B8a	B9	B10	B11	B12
Cent λ/nm	443	490	560	665	705	740	783	842	865	945	1375	1610	2190
Bandwidth/nm	20	65	35	30	15	15	20	115	20	20	30	90	180
% diff	0.5	0.9	2.1	0.4	2.2	1.2	0.2	0.3	0.6	1.0	1.7	1.4	1.7
SORCE/Thuillier													
% diff	2.5	0.5	2.1	1.7	1.3	1.1	1.9	1.8	2.3	1.7	16.4	1.7	1.6
Kurucz/Thuillier													



E.G. Impact

on Sentinel 2

Discussion webex and conclusions (Oct 2013)

- 1 hr fixed time webex
- 18+ attendees (inc commercial) No US Gov due to shut down.
- From inputs: Pre- & during meeting
 - ~ 75% used CEOS recommended Thuillier
 - IOCCG formally recommend/encourage use of CEOS spectrum
 - Kurucz used were high resolution is reqd e.g. FT spectrom also when integrated into other software packages (Modtran
 - Neckels and Labs also used (in 6S)
 - ISRO provides products utilising both Neck/Lab & Thuillier
 - Eumetsat keen for spectrum to ~5 um most content 2.5 um
 - 380 nm enough for most IVOS but Atmos Chem??
 - Agreed is value in a common spectrum but difficult to achieve for all applications particularly non Land/Ocean but should aim for:
 - a few well defined spectra with accessible data via cal/val portal
 - a 'best practise for use/convolution with sensor/application characteristics
 - Note that for Atmos Chem there is significant solar irradiance variability in UV
 - Thuillier also created a high resolution spectrum



	Mission	Launch	Applied Solar Spectrur
	MOS-IRS	1996 Mar	Neckel & Labs (1984)
	SeaWiFS	1997 Aug	Thuillier et al. (2003)
n	MODIS Terra	1999 Dec	Thuillier et al. (2003)
	MODIS Aqua	2002 Мау	Thuillier et al. (2003)
1	MERIS	2002	Thuillier et al. (2003)
	GLI	2002	Thuillier et al. (2001a)

e.g. from IOCCG

Solar spectra

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wavelength (nm) b) 1.10 Burlov & Vailjev edkels & Labs 0.90 650.00 700.00 750.00 800.00 400.00 450.00 500.00 550.00 600.00 wavelength (nm)



EURAME

Ratio to Thuillier (2004)

for Solid State Lighting

Metrology

