



Performance of VIS/NIR and NIR Turbidity and Total Suspended Matter concentration algorithms in 3 turbid waters: Scheldt, Gironde, Río de la Plata

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Scheldt (2-5 Jun 2012) Gironde (11-16 Jun /2012) La Plata (13-23 Nov 2012)







Reflectance (ρ_w): ASD & Trios





TSM algorithms

VIS/NIR band ratio (empirical algo like in Doxaran et al. 2002)

$$TSM = A \exp\left(\frac{\rho_w^{xx}}{B}\right)$$

$$\rho_{w}^{86} = \rho_{w}^{859} / \rho_{w}^{645}$$

$$\rho_{w}^{85} = \rho_{w}^{859} / \rho_{w}^{555}$$

NIR single-band (Nechad et al. 2010 v.13)

$$TSM = A_{TSM}^{\lambda} \frac{\rho_{w}^{\lambda}}{\left(1 - \rho_{w}^{\lambda}/C_{TSM}^{\lambda}\right)}$$

$$\lambda = 859nm$$
$$A_{TSM} = 3510.5FNU$$
$$C_{TSM} = 0.211$$

SeaSWIR

T algorithm

NIR single-band (Nechad et al. 2009 v.11)

$$T = A_T^{\lambda} \frac{\rho_w^{\lambda}}{\left(1 - \rho_w^{\lambda} / C_T^{\lambda}\right)}$$

 $\lambda = 859nm$ $A_T = 3078.9FNU$ $C_T = 0.211$



Single-band

Band-ratio VIS/NIR



TSM Logarithmic regressions **VIS/NIR**



Single-band T algorithm





MODIS images during campaigns

La Plata (14 Nov 2012) 17:55 GMT

Gironde (15 June 2012) 12:35 GMT





MODIS image processing

L0 -> L1A (HiRES) -> L2 (Rrs using NIR-SWIR AC) -> T map (859nm)

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La Plata Turbidity Map MODIS (14 Nov 2012, 17:55 GMT)





La Plata Turbidity Map MODIS (14 Nov 2012, 17:55 GMT)



Gironde Turbidity Map MODIS (15 Jun 2012, 13:35 GMT)



- Gironde estuary was very close to the edge of the MODIS swath



Conclusions

- Using SeaSWIR database better correlations between TSM vs NIR (859nm) (r=0.87) than vs NIR/VIS band ratios for TSM<1000 mgL⁻¹ were obtained. Moreover, better correlations were found using the green (555nm, r=0.79) than the red (645nm, r=0.77) band.
- Better correlations between T vs NIR band (r=0.97 for T<1000 FNU)</p>
- Uncertainties obtained using band ratios and single band algorithms to etimate TSM were ~45%, while for T using a single band algorithm was ~15%
- Simultaneous field and MODIS-Aqua derived T values for La Plata campaign were in good agreement. The high spatial resolution band didn't show better results due to high influence of land to pixles close to the coast.
- First results with existing high spatial resolution with SWIR bands remote sensors (HICO & APEX) promising



Thank you!