MODIS Direct Broadcast: Products and Software

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What is Direct Broadcast?

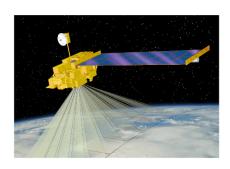
- Direct Broadcast is the real-time transmission of earth observation data from the spacecraft to the ground (via Xband on Terra and Aqua)
- · On Terra, only MODIS is broadcast
- On Aqua, all data is broadcast
- Data are free and clear with no encryption
- All you need is an antenna and receiver!
- "Terra and Aqua are a great gift to the world" (Vladimir Gershenzon, ScanEx)

Terra
Launched: Dec. 18, 1999
10:30 am descending



ASTER: Hi-res imager
CERES: Broadband scanner
MISR: Multi-angle imager
MODIS: Multispectral imager
MOPITT: Limb sounder

Only MODIS is available by DB



Aqua

Launched: May 4, 2002 1:30 pm ascending



AIRS: Infrared sounder

AMSR-E: Microwave scanner

AMSU: Microwave scanner

CERES: Broadband scanner

HSB: Microwave sounder

MODIS: Multispectral imager

All sensors are available via DB



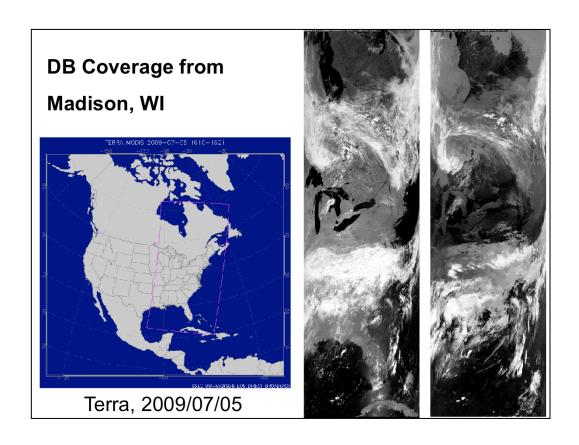
How do I get Direct Broadcast?

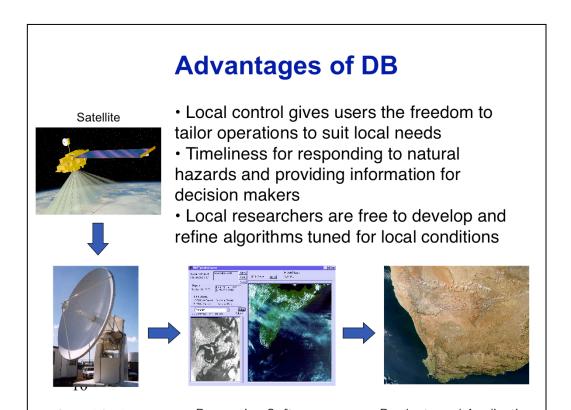
- Direct Broadcast X-band ground stations are available from a number of vendors
- Cost is around \$100-300K USD
- ECNU operates an X/L-band ground station, and data is freely available within ECNU network
- There are many other stations in China, but products are usually kept private

There are other ways to get MODIS data...









Terra and Aqua DB Product Suite

MODIS Level IB Products (MODISLIDB)

Level 0 quicklook images (visible and infrared) Level 1B 1KM, HKM, and QKM radiances and geolocation Sea Surface Temperature (SST) Destriping corrections for Level IB IKM infrared radiances

MODIS Atmosphere Level 2 Products (IMAPP)

Cloud Mask

Cloud Top Pressure, Phase, Emissivity, Optical Depth Aerosol Optical Depth

Temperature and Water Vapor Profiles

Total Column Precipitable Water Vapor

Total Column Ozone

Level 2 browse images for all Atmosphere Products

MODIS Land Products (DRL)

Corrected Reflectance IKM, HKM, QKM Fire Detection / Thermal Anomalies Land Surface Temperature (LST) Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI) Land Surface Reflectance

MODIS Ocean Products (SeaDAS)

Chlorophyll-A Concentration

MODIS Images (HDFLook)

Level 1B browse images (visible, infrared, true color) Level 2 Land browse images (NDVI, LST) Level 2 Ocean browse images (Chlorophyll-A, SST)

MODIS Google Earth KML (IMAPP)

MODIS 250 meter resolution true color JPEG images and

AIRS Level I and Level 2 (IMAPP)

Level IB data (including AIRS IR, AIRS VIS, and AMSU) Level 2 retrievals of temperature and moisture

AMSR-E Level I and Level 2 (IMAPP)

Geolocated and calibrated antenna temperatures Rain Rate Soil Moisture Snow Water Equivalent

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MODIS DB Level 1 Image Products

Software: MODISL1DB

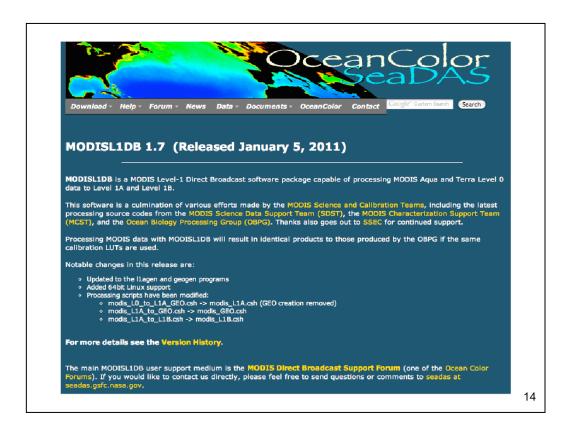
Developers: MODIS Characterization Support Team, MODIS Science Team, NASA Ocean Biology Processing Group

Distributor: NASA Ocean Biology Processing Group

Platforms: Linux, OS X, Windows (VM)

http://oceancolor.gsfc.nasa.gov/seadas/modisl1db/

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What does MODISL1DB do?

Purpose: Convert raw MODIS telemetry files to calibrated and geolocated Level 1B image products

Input Data: Level 0 CCSDS Packet Files containing APID 64 (MODIS) for Terra and Aqua; and APID 957 (GBAD) for Aqua

Output Data: MODIS Level 1B 1KM, HKM, QKM, and Geolocation (HDF4 format)

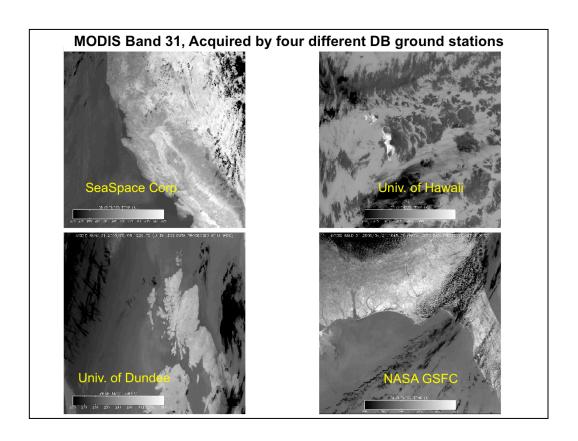
MODIS Level 1B Data

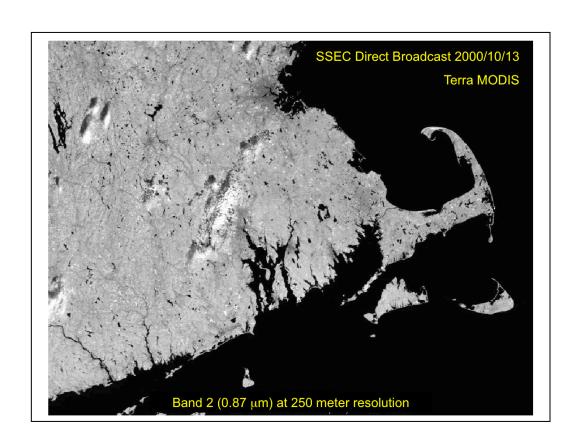
- MODIS Level 1B data contains calibrated and geolocated radiance or reflectance values observed by the instrument (top of atmosphere)
- MYD02 is the Aqua product ID (Terra=MOD02)
- MYD021KM = 1000 meter resolution
 (1354 pixels across track by 2030 pixels along track for a standard 5-minute granule or scene)
- MYD02HKM = 500 meter resolution (2708 x 4060)
- MYD02QKM = 250 meter resolution (5416 x 8120)

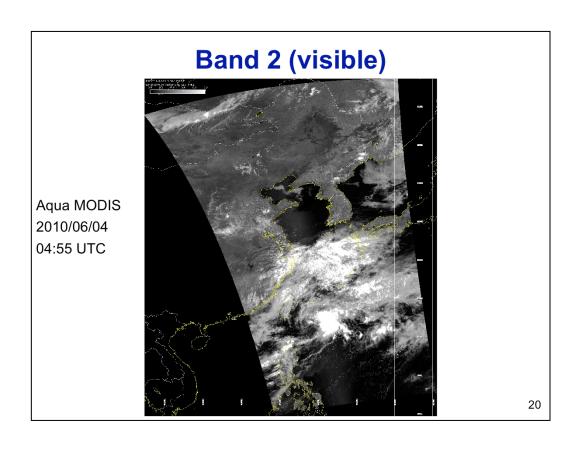
DB granules may be larger (up to 14 minutes long)

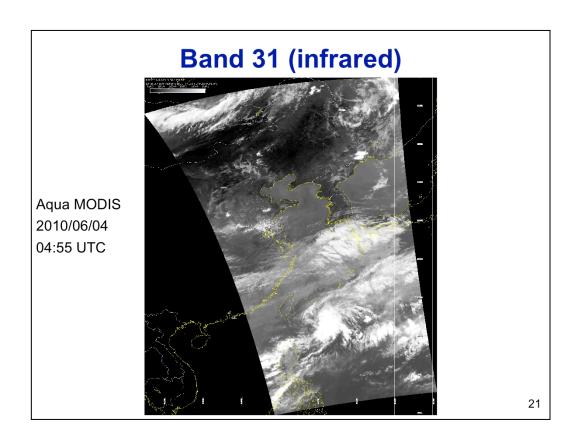
MODIS Level 1B Contents

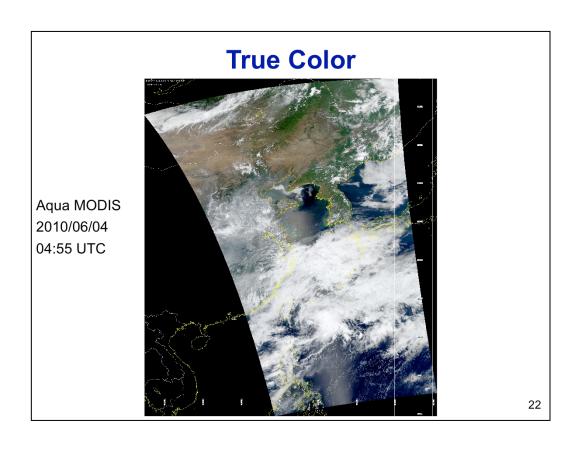
- Format is Hierarchical Data Format v4 (HDF4)
- Image data are stored as scaled integers, with linear slope and intercept to convert to calibrated radiance or reflectance
- Geolocation data at 1000 meter resolution are stored in a separate file (MYD03), along with sensor viewing geometry and solar geometry
- Daytime 1KM granules contain all 36 bands at 1000 meter resolution
- Nighttime 1KM granules contain bands 20-36 only
- HKM and QKM granules are daytime only











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MODIS DB Atmosphere Products

Software: International MODIS/AIRS Processing Package (IMAPP)

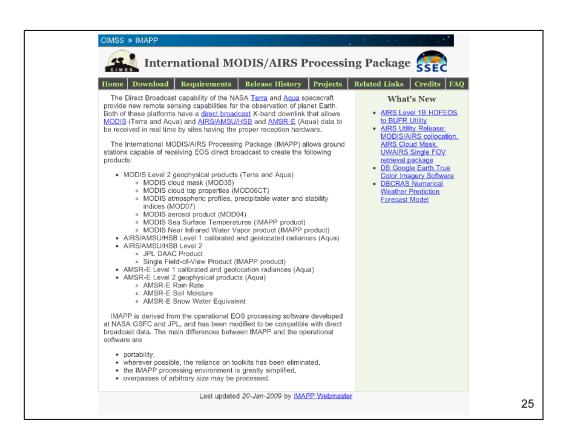
Developers: University of Wisconsin-Madison, MODIS Science Team, Remote Sensing Systems, Free University of Berlin

Distributor: University of Wisconsin-Madison

Platforms: Linux, Windows (VM)

Website: http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/imapp/

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IMAPP Product List

MODIS Products:

Cloud Mask (MOD35)
Cloud Top Properties (MOD06CT)
Atmospheric Profiles (MOD09)
Aerosol Optical Depth (MOD04)
Sea Surface Temperature
Near Infrared Water Vapor
Level 1B Destriping
True Color Images for Google Earth
Nadir BRDF Adjusted Reflectance

Other Products:

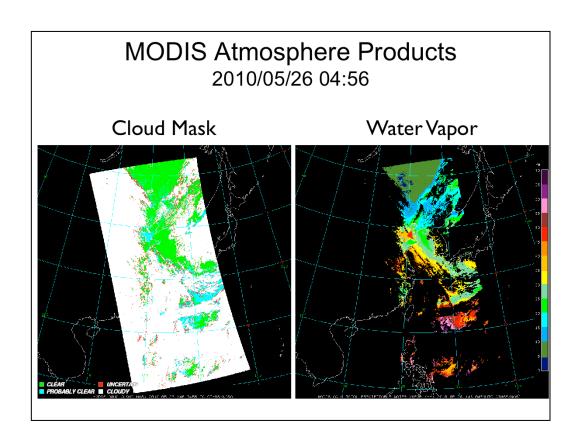
AIRS/AMSU Level 1B Calibrated And Geolocated Radiances
AIRS/AMSU JPL Atmospheric Profiles
AIRS UW Single FOV Atmospheric Profiles (Clear Sky Only)
AIRS/MODIS Single FOV Atmospheric Profiles (Clear and Cloudy)
AMSR-E Level 2 Geophysical Products
AMSR-E Snow Water Equivalent
DBCRAS Numerical Weather Prediction Model

What does IMAPP do?

Purpose: Creates MODIS atmosphere, utility, and image products (and AIRS, AMSU, AMSR-E)

Input Data: MODIS Level 1B 1KM, HKM, QKM, and Geolocation (HDF4 format)

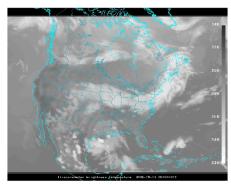
Output Data: MODIS Level 2 Cloud Mask, Cloud Top Properties, Atmospheric Temperature and Water Vapor Profiles, Total Ozone, Total Precipitable Water Vapor (HDF4 format)



DBCRAS NWP Model

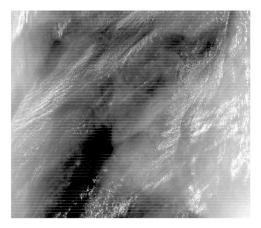
- · Easy to install and easy to execute on modest PCs
- · NWP domain centered on your DB location
- Assimilates IMAPP MOD07 TPW and MOD06CT Cloud Top Pressure and Cloud Effective Emissivity in order to adjust the cloud and moisture fields in the GFS.
- Output is standard meteorological parameters in GRIB2
- Creates forecast satellite imagery

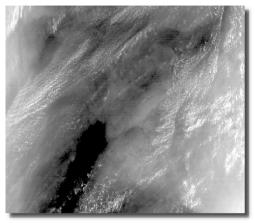
72 hour forecast of 11 micron brightness temperature (3 hour time step)



Level 1B 1KM Destriping

- Removes stripes from 1KM thermal infrared bands
- Each detector is adjusted to match a reference detector
- Destriping is recommended before creating IMAPP Atmosphere Products (e.g., Cloud Mask)





Terra MODIS L1B 1KM, 2003094 06:05, Band 29

True Color Images for Google Earth

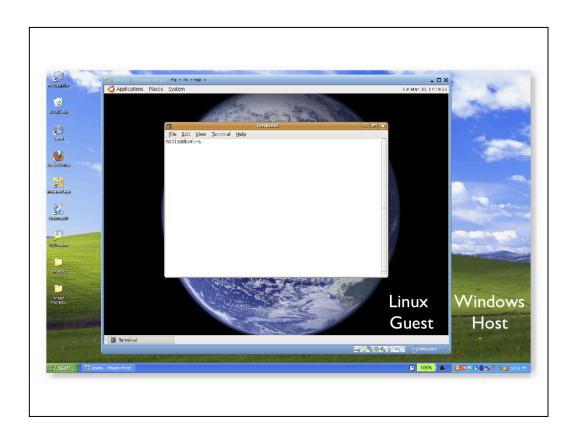


Images can be ready within 30 minutes of acquisition

IMAPP Virtual Appliance

The IMAPP VA makes it simple to install and run a DB processing system to create a range of atmosphere, land, and ocean products from the MODIS sensor onboard Terra and Aqua, and the AIRS, AMSU, and AMSR-E sensors onboard Aqua.

- Supports Windows (XP, Vista, 7), Apple OS X, Linux
- Install and run within 10 minutes
- Easy to configure (e.g., turn on MODIS Land, turn off AIRS)
- Easy to maintain (automated lookup table updates)
- Designed for simplicity (no DBMS, no Java, no COTS; just Bash scripts)
- · Allow reliable automated processing
- Use only open source software packages (e.g., IMAPP, SeaDAS, etc.)
- Software package downloads are automated as part of the install process
- Easy to add user-created processing software



IMAPP VA Installation (Windows)

- 1. Download and run IMAPP VA self-extracting archive
- 2. Download and install VMware Player (free)
- 3. Start VMware Player and select IMAPP VA

MODIS Level 1 and Atmosphere processing packages are pre-installed.

Other packages can be added by editing a configuration file, and running an installer script.



Version 1.1 is now available on the IMAPP website

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MODIS DB Land Products

Software: Science Processing Algorithms (SPA)

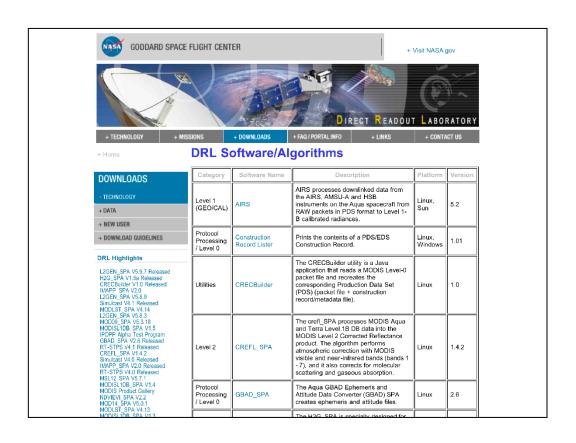
Developers: MODIS Science Team

Distributor: NASA Direct Readout Laboratory

Platforms: Linux, Windows (VM)

Website: http://directreadout.sci.gsfc.nasa.gov/

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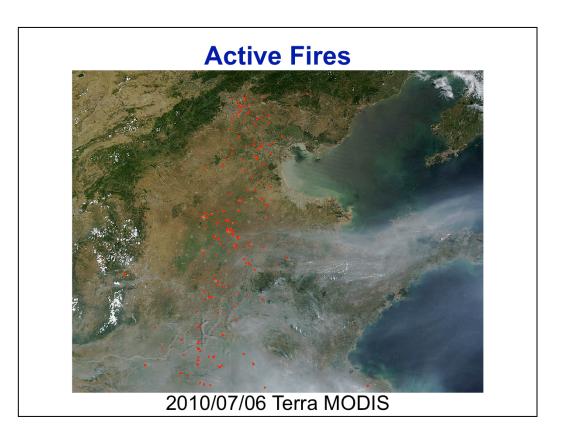


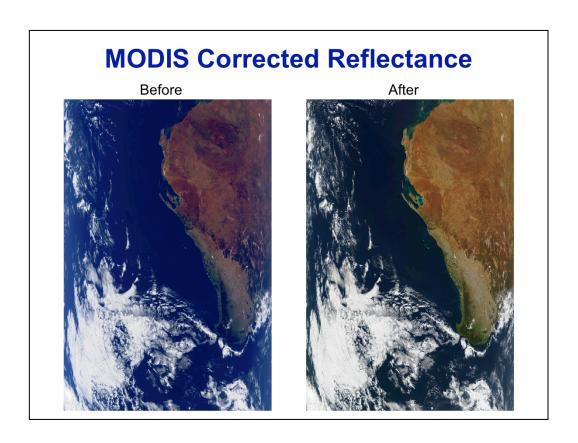
What does SPA do?

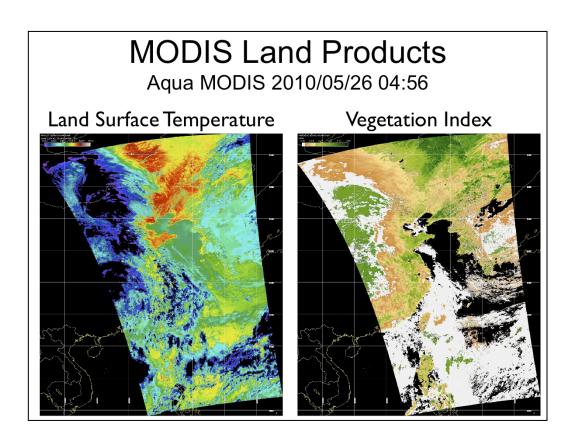
Purpose: Creates DB customized Land products

Input Data: MODIS Level 1B 1KM, HKM, QKM, and Geolocation (HDF4 format)

Output Data: MODIS Level 2 Active Fires, Corrected Reflectance, NDVI, EVI, Land Surface Temperature, Land Surface Reflectance (HDF4 format)







Land Surface Reflectance

MODIS Land Surface Reflectance Algorithm (MOD09) code was adapted for DB by Eric Vermote and Jim Ray. Standard HDF4 format with metadata is created.

Changes for DB included:

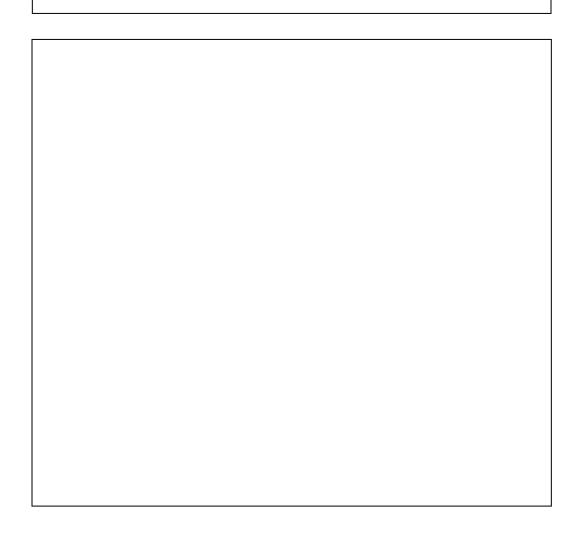
- Code pre-compiled for 32-bit Intel Linux; source code is also available
- Handles arbitrary granule sizes
- Able to use NCEP GFS forecast data instead of NCEP GDAS analysis data
- Automatically discovers and downloads required ancillary data at runtime
- Handles bad geolocation data
- Night granules are handled gracefully in wrapper script

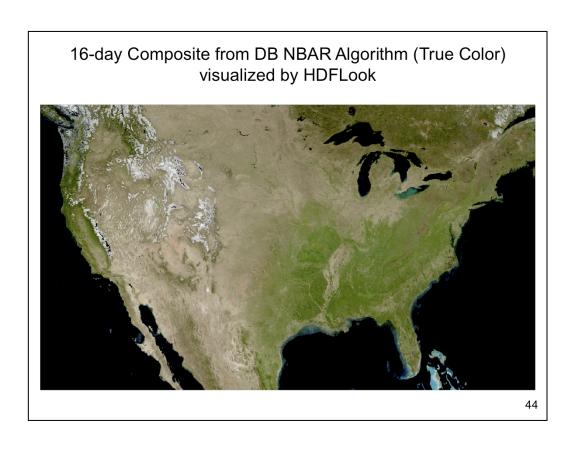


MOD09 True Color Aqua DB

MODIS NBAR

- MOD43B4 Nadir BRDF-Adjusted Reflectance (NBAR) Product is computed for MODIS spectral bands (1-7) at the mean solar zenith angle of each 16 day period.
- View angle effects are removed from the directional reflectances.
- Applications include vegetation indices, land cover change, and burned area mapping.





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MODIS DB Ocean Products

Software: SeaDAS

Developers: NASA Ocean Biology Processing

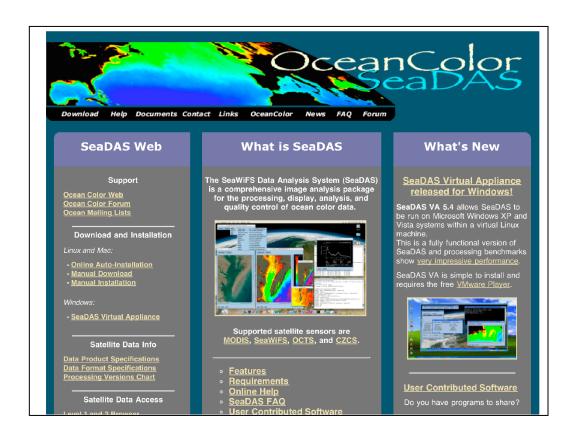
Group, MODIS Science Team

Distributor: NASA Ocean Biology Processing Group

Platforms: Linux, OS X, Windows (VM)

Website: http://oceancolor.gsfc.nasa.gov/seadas/

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What does SeaDAS do?

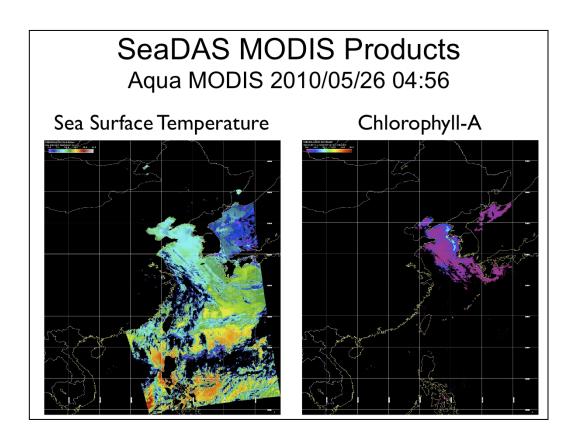
Purpose: Creates standard ocean color and ocean temperature products. Allows interactive display and analysis of ocean products.

Input Data: MODIS Level 1B 1KM, HKM, QKM, and Geolocation (HDF4 format)

Output Data: MODIS Level 2 Water Leaving Radiance, Chlorophyll concentration, Sea Surface Temperature (HDF4 format)

SeaDAS Standard Products

Geophysical Parameter Name	Description			
nLw_412	Normalized water-leaving radiance at 412 nm			
nLw 443	Normalized water-leaving radiance at 443 nm			
nLw_488	Normalized water-leaving radiance at 488 nm			
nLw_531	Normalized water-leaving radiance at 531 nm			
nLw_551	Normalized water-leaving radiance at 551 nm			
nLw_667	Normalized water-leaving radiance at 667 nm			
Tau_869	Aerosol optical thickness at 869 nm			
Eps_78	Epsilon of aerosol correction at 748 and 869 nm			
Chlor_a	OC3 Chlorophyll a concentration			
K490	Diffuse attenuation coefficient at 490nm			
Angstrom_531	Angstrom coefficient, 531-869 nm			
SST	Sea Surface Temperature: 11 micron			
SST4	Sea Surface Temperature: 4 micron (night only)			



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Software for Interpreting DB Products

- MODIS products are stored in a specialized format named Hierarchical Data Format (HDF) version 4.
- Some of the MODIS products (e.g., Level 1B) have complex internal structures
- Specialized software is required to read and interpret the HDF4 format correctly
- Software is designed for (a) Interactive Display,
 (b) Quantitative Analysis, or (c) Both
- Software is either (a) Free; or (b) Expensive

Software from Univ. of Wisconsin

- Hydra is a free application for MODIS, AIRS, and SEVIRI data exploration in classroom settings
- Mc-LITE is a free application for automated generation of MODIS image products (available as an add-on to IMAPP)
- McIDAS-V is a free application for interactively exploring MODIS and many other satellite and meteorological data products

http://www.ssec.wisc.edu/

Free Software

- MRTSwath is a Linux application for reprojecting MODIS Level 1B and Level 2 products to a map grid (removes bowtie artifacts)
- HDFLook is a Linux application for interactive and automated display and reprojection of MODIS Level 1B and Level 2 products
- MS2GT is a Linux application for reprojecting MODIS Level 1B data and any other satellite imager data (AVHRR, MERSI, VIIRS)

Just Google the names...

Commercial Software

- ENVI is a Windows/Linux/OSX application interactive display and analysis of many satellite products, including MODIS Level 1B and Level 2
- IDL and Matlab are Windows/Linux/OSX interactive programming environments for quantitative analysis, and they can read MODIS Level 1B and Level 2 products in HDF4 format

Just Google the names...

HDF4 Application Programming Interface (API)

- The HDF4 API is available for C, C++, FORTRAN-90, Java, and Python
- Documentation, binaries, and source code are available

http://www.hdfgroup.org/

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Terra and Aqua DB Products from ECNU

ECNU provides real-time MODIS, AIRS, AMSU, and AMSR-E products (Level 0 through Level 2) at

http://dbps.ecnu.edu.cn/data/terra/

http://dbps.ecnu.edu.cn/data/aqua/

All data collected at ECNU is available on this site!

MODIS Products from NASA

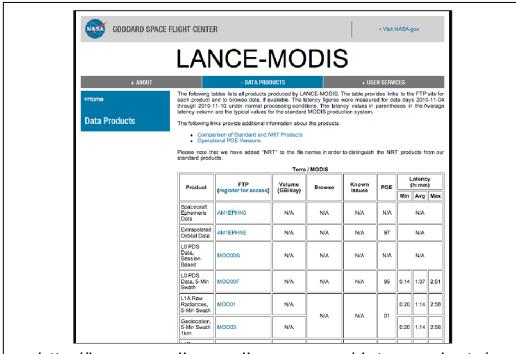
NASA provides MODIS Level 0, Level 1B, Land, Ocean and Atmosphere Products at no cost

Global near real-time products (about 90-120 minutes delay) are available from LANCE

Best for obtaining products in real-time; regional subscriptions are available.

Global long-term archive products (about 24 hours delay) are available from LAADS

Best for obtaining long-term historical data.



http://lance-modis.eosdis.nasa.gov/data_products/



MODIS Ocean Level 2 Products are available from http://oceancolor.gsfc.nasa.gov/



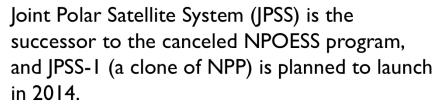
MODIS Land Level 2/3 Products are available from http://lpdaac.usgs.gov/



What Does the Future Hold?

Based on spacecraft fuel reserves, Terra and Aqua are expected to last until at least 2015.

NPOESS Preparatory Project (NPP) is a NASA mission scheduled to launch in October 2011 (afternoon orbit).



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NPP Sensors

VIIRS – Medium Resolution Visible & Infra-red Imager

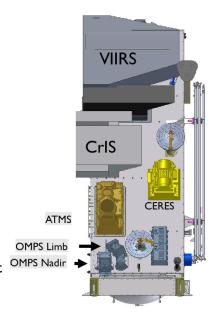
CrIS – Fourier Transform
Spectrometer for IR
Temperature and Moisture
sounding

ATMS – Microwave sounding radiometer

OMPS – Total Ozone Mapping and Ozone Profile measurements

CERES - Earth Radiation Budget OMPS Nadir

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VIIRS Spectral Bands

		Band No.	Wave- length	Horiz Sample Interval (km Downtrack x Crosstrack)		Driving EDRs	Radi- ance Range	Ltyp or Ttyp	Signal to Noise Ratio (dimensionless) or NE $^{\Delta}$ T (Kelvins)		
			(^µ m)	Nadir	End of Scan		Kange		Required	Predicted	Margin
	Π	M1	0.412	0.742 x 0.259	1.60 x 1.58	Ocean Color	Low	44.9	352	441	25%
						Aerosols	High	155	316	807	155%
		M2	0.445	0.742 x 0.259	1.60 x 1.58	Ocean Color	Low	40	380	524	38%
						Aerosols	High	146	409	926	126%
	es	M3	0.488	0.742 x 0.259	1.60 x 1.58	Ocean Color	Low	32	416	542	30%
VIS/NIR FPA	Silicon PIN Diodes					Aerosols	High	123	414	730	76%
		M4	0.555	0.742 x 0.259	1.60 x 1.58	Ocean Color	Low	21	362	455	26%
ШĘ						Aerosols	High	90	315	638	102%
§	Ē	11	0.640	0.371 x 0.387	0.80×0.789	Imagery	Single	22	119	146	23%
>	<u>:</u>	M5	0.672	0.742 x 0.259	1.60 x 1.58	Ocean Color	Low	10	242	298	23%
	S					Aerosols	High	68	360	522	45%
		M6	0.746	0.742 x 0.776	1.60 x 1.58	Atmospheric Corr'n	Single	9.6	199	239	20%
		12	0.865	0.371 x 0.387	0.80×0.789	NDVI	Single	25	150	225	50%
		M7	0.865	0.742 x 0.259	1.60 x 1.58	Ocean Color	Low	6.4	215	388	81%
						Aerosols	High	33.4	340	494	45%
	CD	DNB	0.7	0.742 x 0.742	0.742 x 0.742	Imagery	Var.	6.70E-05	6	5.7	-5%
		M8	1.24	0.742 x 0.776	1.60 x 1.58	Cloud Particle Size	Single	5.4	74	98	32%
	HgCdTe (HCT)	M9	1.378	0.742 x 0.776	1.60 x 1.58	Cirrus/Cloud Cover	Single	6	83	155	88%
		13	1.61	0.371 x 0.387	0.80 x 0.789	Binary Snow Map	Single	7.3	6.0	97	1523%
≃	100	M10	1.61	0.742 x 0.776	1.60 x 1.58	Snow Fraction	Single	7.3	342	439	28%
∥≩	F	M11	2.25	0.742 x 0.776	1.60 x 1.58	Clouds	Single	0.12	10	17	66%
S/MWIR	S	14	3.74	0.371 x 0.387	0.80 x 0.789	Imagery Clouds	Single	270 K	2.500	0.486	415%
		M12	3.70	0.742 x 0.776	1.60 x 1.58	SST	Single	270 K	0.396	0.218	82%
	[≥	M13	4.05	0.742 x 0.259	1.60 x 1.58	SST	Low	300 K	0.107	0.063	69%
						Fires	High	380 K	0.423	0.334	27%
		M14	8.55	0.742 x 0.776	1.60 x 1.58	Cloud Top Properties	Single	270 K	0.091	0.075	22%
2	CT	M15	10.763	0.742×0.776	1.60 x 1.58	SST	Single	300 K	0.070	0.073	85%
LWIR	PV HCT	15	11.450	0.371 x 0.387	0.80 x 0.789	Cloud Imagery	Single	210 K	1.500	0.789	90%
	P	M16	12.013	0.742×0.776	1.60 x 1.58	SST	Single	300 K	0.072	0.051	42%
		IVI IO	12.013	0.742 \$ 0.776	1.00 % 1.56	351	Sirigle	300 K	0.072	0.051	4270

MODIS vs. VIIRS

Similarities

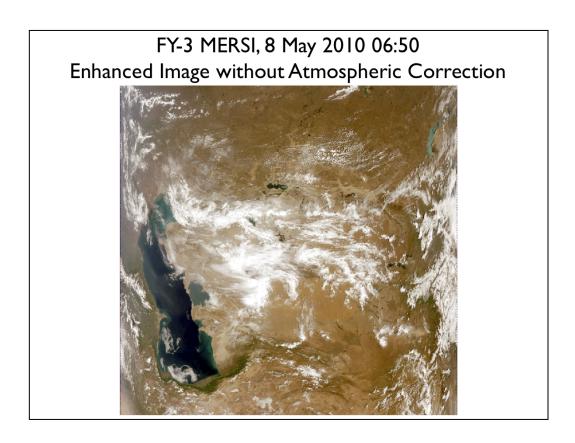
- VIIRS supports all land surface imaging applications of MODIS (NDVI, LST, Burned Area, Snow/Ice, True Color, etc.).
- NPP and JPSS-I will transmit all data to the ground in real-time via X-band direct broadcast (but not L-band).
- Software for real-time processing will be available (SSEC is funded from JPSS Project).

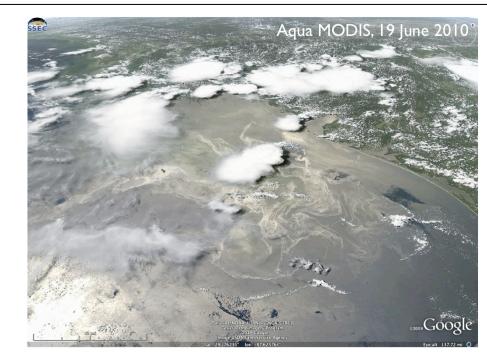
MODIS vs. VIIRS

Differences

- VIIRS native resolution is 375 and 750 meters (vs. 250 and 1000 meters for MODIS).
- VIIRS has 22 bands while MODIS has 36 bands.
- VIIRS has constant pixel size across the scan.
- VIIRS data format is HDF5.
- Redundant "bow-tie" pixels on VIIRS are not transmitted to the ground.







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