

# Bio-optical models suitable for use in forward and inverse coupled atmosphere-ocean RTMs

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## One Parameter Bio-optical Model

- Absorption Coefficient Morel-Maritorena (2001)

$$a(\lambda) \approx 0.90 K_d(\lambda) [1 + 2.25R(\lambda)]^{-1} [1 - R(\lambda)]$$

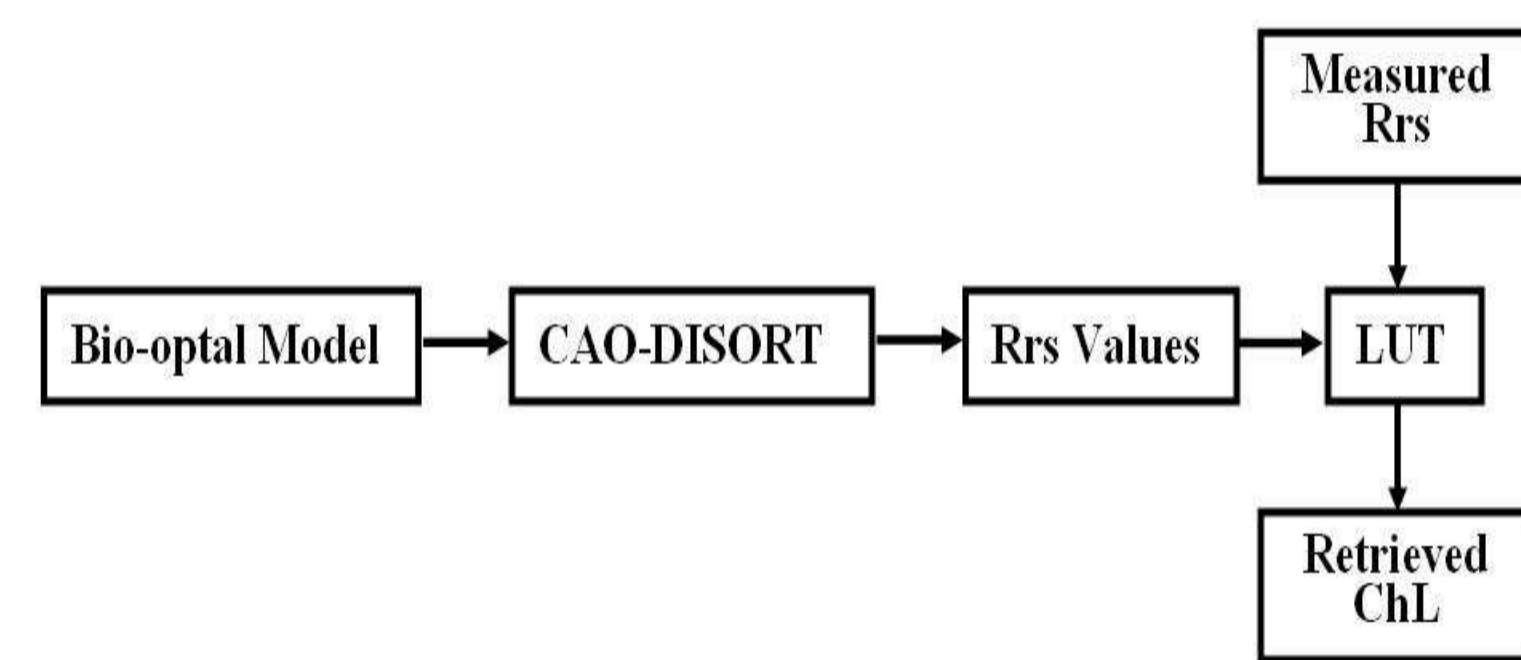
$$R(\lambda) \approx 0.33 \frac{b_p(\lambda)}{a(\lambda)}$$

- Scattering Coefficient

$$b(\lambda) = b_w(\lambda) + b_p(\lambda), b_p(\lambda_i) = \alpha_i C^{\beta_i}$$

- Phase Function Petzold (1972) Measurement

## Chlorophyll Concentration Retrieval Algorithm: CAO-DISORT/LUT



$$\rho_{35} \equiv R_{rs}(490)/R_{rs}(555) \quad \text{2-band algorithm}$$

## Two Parameter Bio-optical Model

- Absorption Coefficients

$$a(\lambda) = a_w(\lambda) + a_{ph}(\lambda) + a_y(\lambda)$$

$$a_{ph}(\lambda) = A(\lambda)[C]^E(\lambda)$$

$$a_y(\lambda) = a_y(443) \exp[-S(\lambda - 443)]$$

Total absorption

Phytoplankton absorption

Bricaud et al. (1995)

CDOM absorption

- Scattering Coefficients  $b(\lambda) = b_w(\lambda) + b_p(\lambda), b_p(\lambda_i) = \alpha_i C^{\beta_i}$

- Phase Function Petzold's average-particle phase function

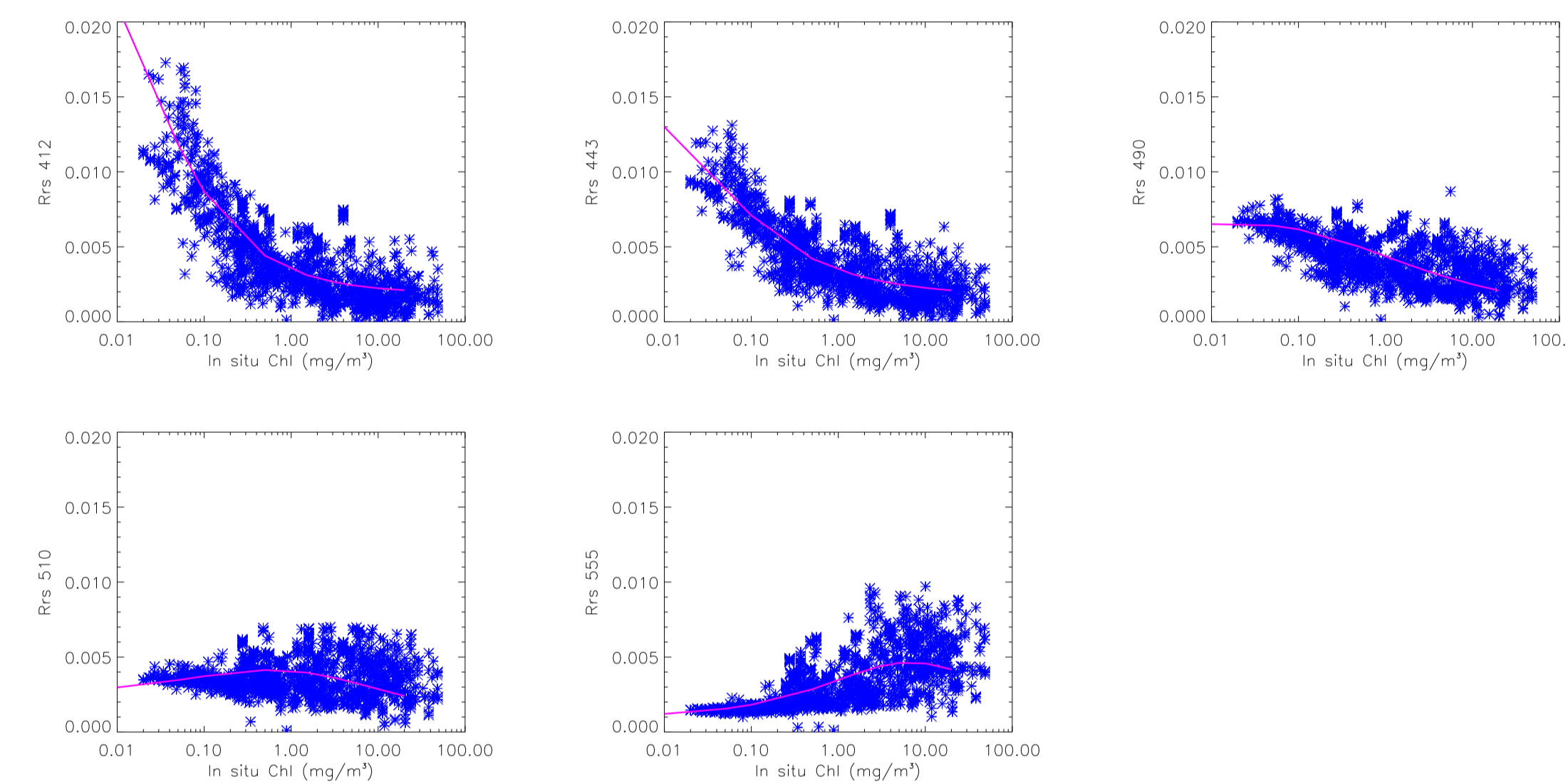


Figure above shows the comparison between calculated and measured  $R_{rs}$  values from the SeaBASS data base consisting of 1355 cases. Red line: calculated by our algorithm; Stars: measured  $R_{rs}$ .

## Ocean Color Retrieval Inverse Approach

- Iterative chi-square minimization using linearized RT model (CAO-LDISORT)
- Optimal Estimation with loose a priori constraint (aids convergence)
- Simultaneous retrieval of atmospheric and marine parameters combined in one state vector =  $\{N_{aer}, F, C\}$  or  $\{N_{aer}, F, C, Y\}$   
 $N_{aer}$  = total aerosol loading  $F$  = aerosol bimodal weighting factor  
 $C$  = Chlorophyll concentration  $Y$  = CDOM absorption
- CAO-LDISORT will deliver weighting functions with respect to All these parameters
- Well-established error budgeting procedures giving clear divisions between sources of uncertainty (Rodgers, 2001)
- Retrieval is stable and fast (3-6 iterations), no matter what the initial state vector guess.

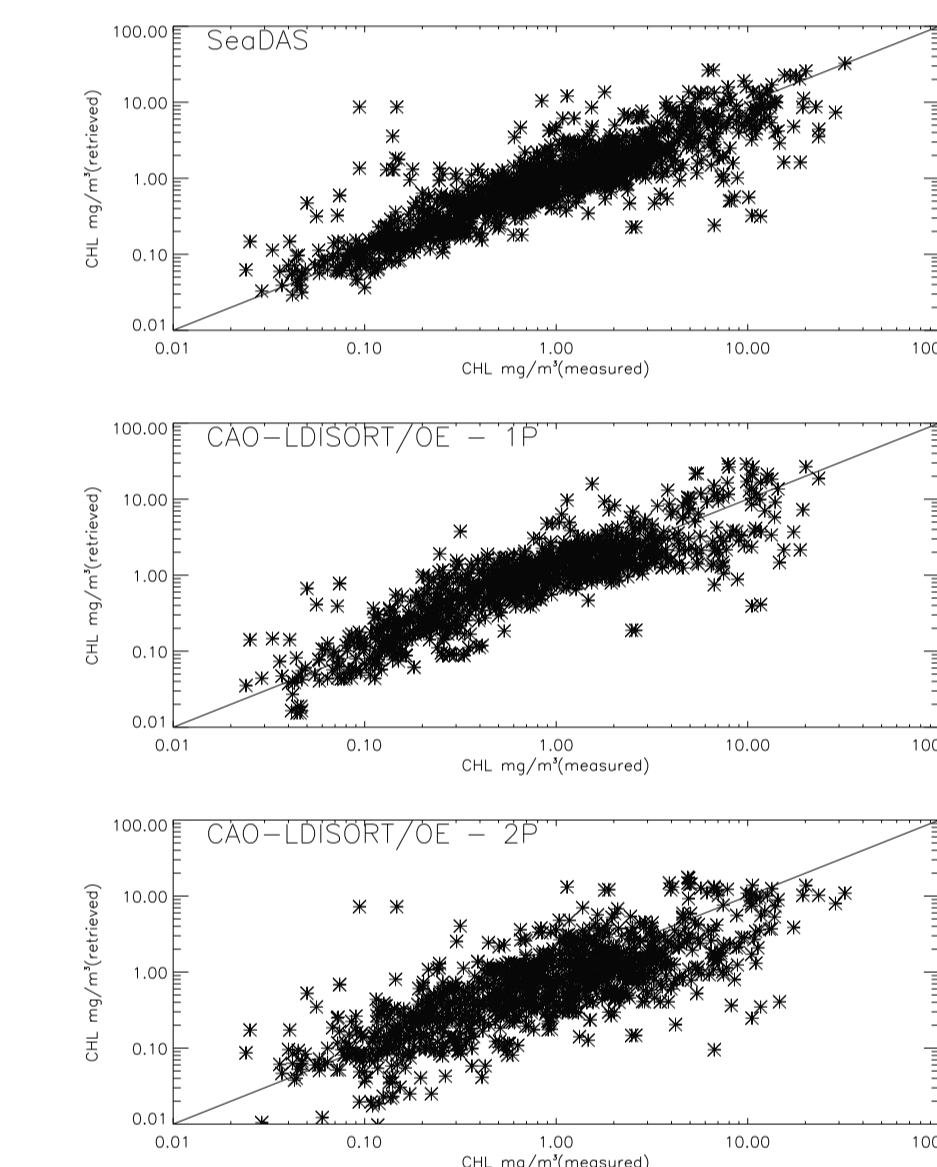
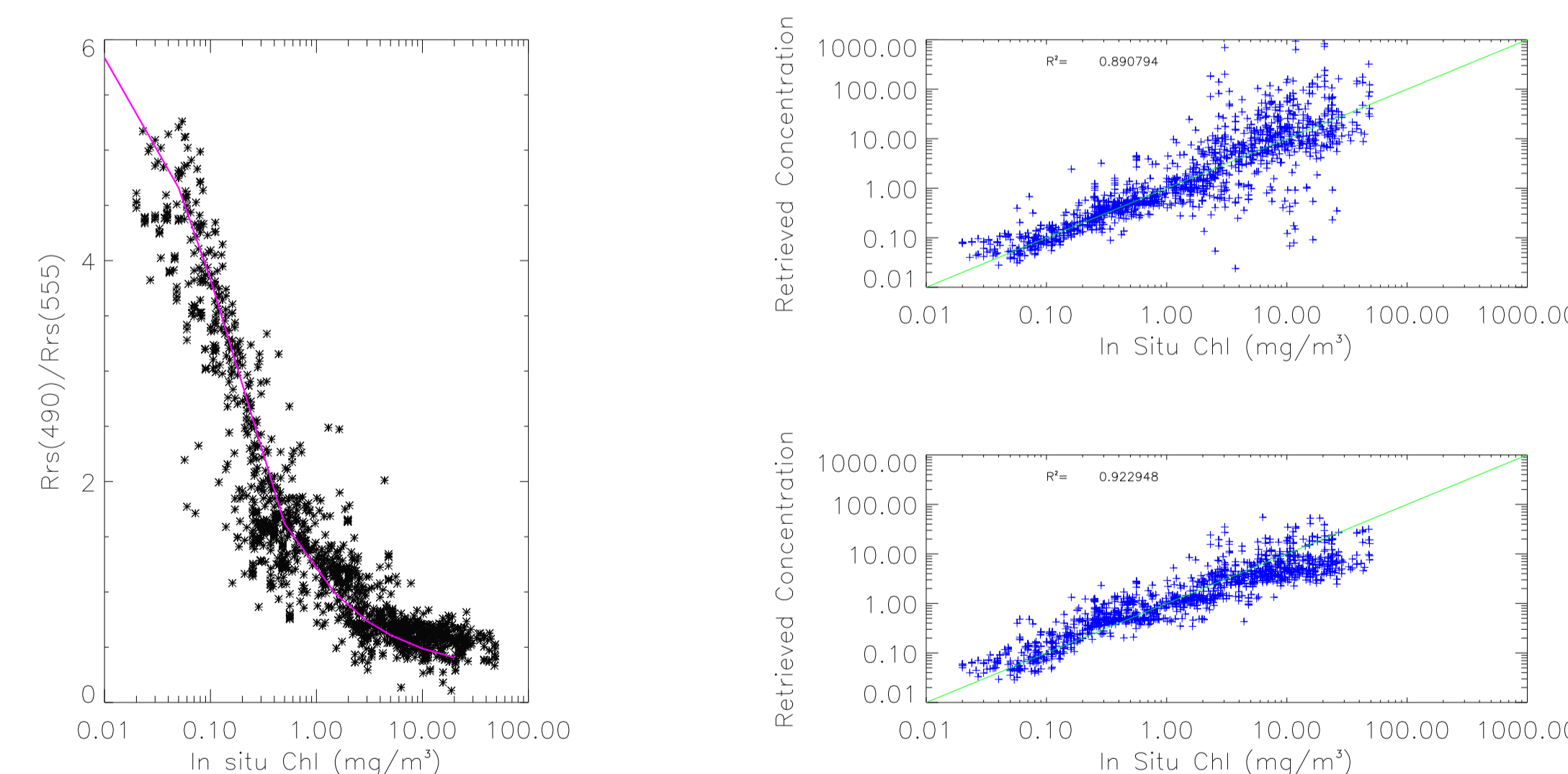
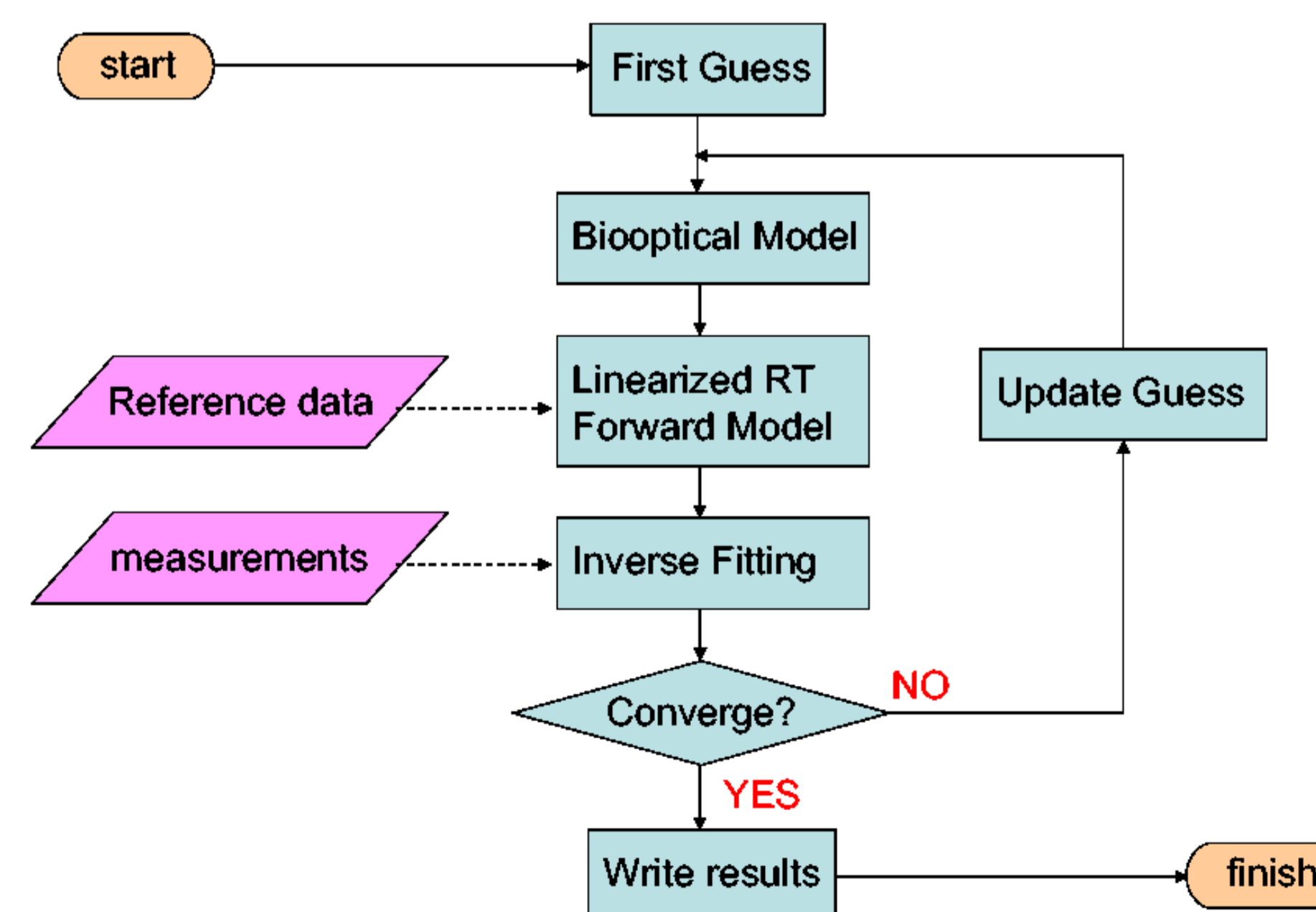


Figure above shows the Retrieved  $Chl$  versus measured  $Chl$ . Top panel: SeaDAS algorithm; Middle panel: CAO-LDISORT/OE algorithm for 1-parameter bio-optical model; Bottom panel: CAO-LDISORT/OE algorithm for 2-parameter bio-optical model.

## Ocean Color Retrieval Algorithm (CAO-LDISORT/OE)

### Retrieval of Ocean/Atmosphere Properties



In the figures above, left figure shows the comparison of ratio of  $R_{rs}(490)/R_{rs}(555)$  calculated by LUTs with measured  $R_{rs}$  ratio from SeaBASS data base for a large range of chlorophyll concentrations. Red line: LUT; Stars: Measurements; right figure shows the Measured versus retrieved chlorophyll concentrations for a SeaBASS data set consisting of 1355 cases. Top panel: results of VIIRS algorithm; Bottom panel: results of our retrieval algorithm.

## Conclusion

- We have constructed a one-parameter bio-optical model as well as an algorithm to retrieve chlorophyll concentration
  - Advantage:**
    - Total absorption coefficient is derived from  $K_d$
    - Use ratio of  $R_{rs}$  values to retrieve  $Chl$
  - Disadvantage:** Can only retrieve one parameter  $Chl$
- We have constructed a two-parameter bio-optical model, as input to inverse algorithm to retrieve  $Chl$  and  $a_y(443)$ 
  - Advantage:**
    - It can retrieve both  $Chl$  and  $a_y(443)$ , or more parameters in the future, such as SPM.
    - Linearized forward model CAO-LDISORT for radiative transfer simulation of satellite radiances and analytic weighting functions
- Advantage for both:** We can retrieve aerosol and marine parameters from satellite imagery simultaneously.