# AIRS – MODIS TEB Global Comparisons

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## **Brief History**

Using two global days of AIRS-MODIS comparisons, Tobin et al (2006) found that AIRS-MODIS radiance bias could be largely removed by shifting MODIS RSR to shorter wavelengths.

Band 35 (13.9 μm) brightness temperature differences for one orbit on 6 Sept 2002 unshifted shifted · -2 -1 0 1 2 AIRS-MODIS (K) AIRS-MODIS: shifted, unshifted 1.5 4000 AIRS-MODIS: shifted, unshifted AIRS-MODIS (K) 3000 MODIS SRF (black) and 0.5 count MODIS SRF shifted by 2000  $+0.8 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ (red)}$ -0.5 1000 -1.5 220 260 200 240 0 Scene Temperature (K) AIRS-MODIS (K)

### Recently, Wisconsin began processing global AIRS-MODIS comparisons for the entire Aqua mission.



The following 24 slides show the AIRS-MODIS B35 calibrated temperature differences for one day of each month from Jan 2006 through Dec 2007.

Note the repeating pattern through the annual cycle.

















































# What Are Some Influences That Could Cause This Behavior?

- MODIS spectral characterization error
  - Atmospheric profile variation by season would cause latitudinal dependence of bias
  - Tobin analysis has demonstrated viability
  - Physical mechanism still undetermined
- MODIS out-of-band filter leaks
  - Atmospheric profile variation influence
  - No useful OOB prelaunch data for these bands
- MODIS optical or electronic crosstalk
  - Terra had 11um Xtalk, but was fixed for Aqua

#### Aqua MODIS RSR over model spectrum



#### AIRS minus MODIS, Band 36 vs B31 Scene Temp



2-0.5

-1.5

-2

-2.5

200

220 240 260 280 300

MODIS

AIRS

336











280 300

B31 scene Tb (K)

320 340

01-Apr-2006

33

-2.5

200

240 260

220



B31 scene Tb (K)

320 340







01-Dec-2006

#### AIRS minus MODIS, Band 36 vs B31, with 1.0 cm<sup>-1</sup> SRF shift



#### AIRS minus MODIS, Band 35 vs B31 Scene Temp







01-Jun-2006







280 300

B31 scene Tb (K)

320 340

240 260

220

01-Apr-2006



B31 scene Tb (K)

320 340

-200

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#### AIRS minus MODIS, Band 35, with 0.8 cm<sup>-1</sup> SRF shift



#### AIRS minus MODIS, Band 34 vs B31 Scene Temp



#### AIRS minus MODIS, Band 33 vs B31 Scene Temp



0.5

-0.5 -0.5

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01-Jun-2006







B31 scene Tb (K)

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## What about OOB filter leaks in B33-36?





Wisconsin has begun an investigation into possibility of OOB leaks in B33-36

- Correlate individual AIRS spectral channels to MODIS-AIRS differences
- Global data set for one day
- Review linear correlations as first look into possible OOB spectral regions that might contaminate MODIS observations
- Suggestive only, not conclusive
- Preliminary



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Aqua MODIS Band 35; April 01, 2006 Global Data



#### MODIS-AIRS Correlation to AIRS Channel Radiances Aqua MODIS Band 36; April 01, 2006 Global Data







# Summary Remarks

- Spectral shift hypothesis continues under investigation at Wisconsin. New models being generated to investigate spectral shift fidelity with MOD06 results.
- Linear correlation is elevated in CO2 band region, possibly indicating broad OOB influence in B36, less obvious in B35. Further testing will be useful.
- AIRS data set is a resource for investigating MODIS (and AIRS) performance; however, little can be concluded without physical basis for performance anomlies. Mostly suggestive.



