Update on OCM on Oceansat-I & Scheduled OCM on Oceansat-II

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IRS-P4 OCM (Ocean Colour Monitor)

- LAUNCH: May 26, 1999 (by PSLV from SHAR, India)
- POLAR SUNSYNCHRONOUS (Alt: 720 km, incl: 98° 28')
- EQUATORIAL CROSSING TIME: 1200 hrs ±10 minutes (descending node)
- ALONG TRACK TILT : ± 20° (to avoid sun glint)
- GROUND RESOLUTION: 360 m x 236 m
- SWATH : ± 43° (1,420 km)
- QUANTISATION : 12 bits

OCM payload : Main specifications

Channel (band)	Wave length (nm)	Reference ocean radiance*	Desired SNR	Estimated SNR	Desired $NE_{\Delta}L^*$	Est. NE∆L*
C1	404-423	9.1	356	340.5	0.0256	0.0267
C2	431-451	8.4	386	440.7	0.0218	0.0191
C3	475-495	6.6	380	427.6	0.0174	0.0154
C4	501-520	5.6	324	408.8	0.0173	0.0137
C 5	547-565	4.6	311	412.2	0.0148	0.0112
C 6	660-677	2.5	240	345.6	0.0104	0.0072
C7	749-787	1.6	286	393.7	0.0056	0.0041
C8	847-882	1.1	141	253.6	0.0078	0.0043

* in units of mW/(cm²-sr- μ m).

OCM data products

Level -1:

Geo & radiometrically corrected radiances for scenes of sizes

- (i) ~ 1420 km x 1420 km
- (ii) ~ 710 km x 710 km (quadrant products)
- (iii) ~ 100 km x 100 km
- Level -2:

Standard products over the above scenes of

(i) Chlorophyll

- (ii) Suspended sediments
- (iii) Yellow substance
- (iii) Diffuse attenuation coefficient
- (iv) Aerosol optical depth

(v) Normalised water leaving radiances (to be incorporated)

OCM data products (Contd..)

Level -3:

Weekly and monthly averages on a trial basis being generated for

(i) Chlorophyll

(ii) Suspended

(iii) Diffuse attenuation coefficient

(iv) Aerosol optical depth

• OCM coverage around India is available for browsing in the NRSA website

• Level -1& 2 can be acquired by users directly from NRSA on payment

• The processing s/w developed at SAC is distributed to users for a nominal cost

Standard OCM Data Product



Chlorophyll Concentration



IRS-P4 OCM (Ocean Colour Monitor)

Current Status of the Mission

OCM is functioning normally and data is received at four ground stations (India, Germany, USA, N. Korea).

Oceansat II - OCM

- Will have ocean Colour monitor (OCM) and scatterometer.
- Proposed launch during 2007.
- Spectral bands: 8 bands between 400-900 nm.
- On-board recording for global coverage (1- 4 km).
- Provision of sun and moon calibration to assess stability of sensor performance.
- Sun-synchronous orbit with equatorial crossing at 1200 noon

Spectral Bands for OCM on Oceansat-II

Bands	Central wavelength (nm)	Bandwidth (nm)	Application
1	402 – 422	20	Yellow substance absorption
2	433 – 453	20	Low chlorophyll-a
3	480 – 500	20	Moderate Chlorophyll-a
4	500 – 520	20	High Chlorophyll-a
5	545 – 565	20	Chlorophyll/sediments
6	610 - 630 (660-677*)	20	Sediments
7	725 – 755 (749-787*)	30-40	Atmospheric correction
8	845 – 885	40	Atmospheric correction

* Values for OCM on Oceansat-1

KU BAND SCATTEROMETER SPECIFICATIONS

PARAMETER	VALUE		
Altitude	720 Km		
Frequency	13.5156 GHz		
Resolution	50 km X 50 km		
Polarisation	HH and VV		
Antenna	Parabola of 1.0 m Dia		
Scanning Rate	20.5 rpm		
Data Rate	13.5 Mbit/sec (Raw)		
	137 Kbit/Sec (Processed)		
Pulse Repetetion Frequency	200 Hz (100 Hz each for Inner & outer beams)		
Transmit Power	100 W Peak		
Swath	1400 km		
Wind Speed Range	4 to 24 m/s		
Wind Speed Accuracy	2 m/sec or 10% (Whichever is higher)		
Wind Direction Accuracy	20 deg RMS		

Scheduled launch of Oceansat-II

Early 2008