<u>Cloud Radiative Swath</u> Update: Enhancing Level 2 Surface Fluxes w/ the Fu-Liou RTM & Machine Learning

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CERES SSF



Surface-Only Flux Algorithms (SOFA)







Inputs

CERES SSF Ed4A geolocated FOVs, etc.

GEOS 5.4.1 T(z), p(z), q(z), $O_3(z)$ surface wind speed

MODIS

cloud properties (Ed4) AOD (sometimes) spectral albedo land temp (clear)

MATCH hourly aerosol profiles & AOD

IGBP surface type

Surface albedo history map (cloudy)





~20-50 km CERES Footprint / FOV *Terra* FM1, *Aqua* FM3

<u>Outputs</u>

instantaneous vertical profiles (6 levels) of **broadband & spectrallyresolved** fluxes @ the surface (↓) and TOA (↑)

> 2-stream LW 4-stream SW

LW : 12 bands SW : 14 bands

SW↓ direct + diffuse PAR, UV fluxes

All-sky Clear-sky Pristine-sky All-sky no aerosol





CERES L2 Surface Validation Sites





i. CRS vs SOFA Surface Flux Validation

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Surface Flux Validation Methodology

- Using 1-min resolution surface data
- Extracting footprints within 10 km
- LW↓: instantaneous match to pyrgeometer obs. at footprint time
- SW↓ : averaging surface obs. for 30 mins centered at footprint time
 - Total = Direct + Diffuse, resort to Global from unshaded PSP if total is unavailable
 - SW↓_{CRS} scaled by avg(μ_{OBS}) / μ_{CRS} to account for changing μ = cos(SZA)
- Sort by surface type & cloud conditions

Coastal Desert Island Continental Polar





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-150 -100

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Flux Difference [W m⁻²]

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CERES Aqua FM3 Surface SW↓ [W m⁻²] CRS vs SOFA Model B (Daytime)

All-sky SW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ		RMS∆	Corre	lation (r)
Global	12817	441.4, 444.7, 462.7	-5.57, -2.26 , 15.75	-3.68, -5.16, -2.68	94.34 ,	142.06, 153.53	0.95,	0.88 <mark>,</mark> 0.86
Coastal	2443	464.8, 482.5, 478.5	-5.88 , 11.86, 7.83	-8.46, 0.83 , -5.55	98.99 ,	124.70, 135.30	0.93,	0.90, 0.87
Desert	822	795.7, 803.4, 791.4	-11.53, -3.84 , -15.78	-7.33, -5.13 , -13.96	75.87	86.06, 89.39	0.93,	0.91, 0.90
Island	604	644.3, 663.1, 669.9	53.78 , 72.55, 79.39	13.95 , 37.24, 43.89	159.48,	173.19, 185.85	0.84,	0.82, 0.79
Continental	4754	514.5, 524.5, 530.7	- 0.97 , 9.02, 15.15	-1.10 , 5.28, 2.20	103.80 ,	115.73, 126.82	0.93,	0.91 <mark>, 0.8</mark> 9
Polar	4194	246.1, 230.4, 282.2	-18.00 , -33.74, 18.05	-5.14 , - 27.20, -8.40	67.00 ,	177.93, 191.32	0.95,	0.60, 0.57
Overcast-sky SW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ		RMS∆	Corre	lation (r)
Global	5572	262.7, 274.1, 309.2	-9.01, 2.41 , 37.50	-5.14 , 5.61, 27.08	91.77 ,	155.51, 174.26	0.90,	0.73, 0.69
Coastal	1197	294.8, 319.0, 321.6	-3.94 , 20.28, 22.86	-2.64, 20.08, 19.58	86.35,	136.98, 154.41	0.92,	0.80, 0.74
Desert	74	510.3, 548.4, 532.0	-14.59, 23.48, 7.11	-4.21 , 27.62, 27.91	128.00 ,	159.50, 166.20	0.87 ,	0.81, 0.78
Island	216	454.7, 480.4, 496.7	64.94 , 90.64, 106.91	43.42 , 73.86, 82.93	163.32,	186.39, 214.21	0.81 ,	0.78, 0.71
Continental	1862	302.0, 322.3, 336.7	- 0.70 , 19.69, 34.07	0.96 , 25.61, 35.82	94.88 ,	111.34, 138.11	0.90 ,	0.87, 0.81
Polar	2223	185.7, 180.4, 253.9	-25.71 , -30.98, 42.53	12.47 , -29.07, 14.67	80.12,	189.50, 204.75	0.90 ,	0.35, 0.44
Clear-sky SW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ		RMS∆	Corre	lation (r)
Global	2922	608.7, 601.8, 596.3	-1.83 , -8.74, -14.30	1.29 , -7.89, -14.71	35.37,	128.80, 145.31	0.99,	0.89 <mark>,</mark> 0.86
Coastal	318	663.3, 670.2, 656.5	-4.36, 2.61 , -11.16	-4.92 , -7.96, -23.97	31.89,	132.47, 143.57	0.99,	0.78, 0.74
Desert	570	839.8, 837.9, 822.8	-9.79 , -11.71, -26.78	-3.49 , -5.67, -15.75	35.40	57.98, 65.70	0.98,	0.94, 0.93
Island	41	870.0, 872.2, 860.6	1.56 , 3.77, -7.85	- 0.20 , 1.66, -4.60	29.11	,41.57,45.45	0.97 ,	0.94, 0.94
Continental	1000	704.8, 699.0, 690.7	4.65, -1.14 , -9.39	3.00, -1.19 , -11.11	39.93	,61.79,73.47	0.98,	0.95, <mark>0.9</mark> 3
Polar	993	351.3, 335.5, 341.0	-3.10 , -18.83, -13.36	2.34 , -16.29, -17.72	31.56,	193.26, 218.03	0.99,	0.60, 0.49



Cells with multiple entries correspond to



i. CRS vs SOFA Surface Flux Validation CRS (Fu-Liou). S

CRS (Fu-Liou), SSF Ed4A (Model B), SSF V4A (Model B)









CERES Aqua FM3 Surface LW↓ [W m⁻²] CRS vs SOFA Model B (Daytime)

All-sky LW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ	RMSΔ	Correlation (r)
Global	15399	298.6, 298.1, 297.2	-0.11 , -0.66, -1.60	-0.73 , -0.75, -1.56	22.41 , 27.85, 27.49	0.97 , 0.95, 0.95
Coastal	2904	350.5, 346.9, 345.8	4.17, 0.61, -0.47	3.26, 1.83, 1.05	15.71 , 2 6.47, 26.09	0.97 , 0.91, 0.91
Desert	932	335.3, 342.1, 341.0	-16.79, -9.98 , -11.02	-14.7, -7.24, -5.12	28.63 , 3 3.68, 31.08	0.89 , 0.78, 0.82
Island	735	411.3, 414.1, 413.6	2.17, 5.01, 4.45	2.32, 4.63, 4.51	14.92 , 18.56, 19.39	0.84 , 0.82, 0.8
Continental	5251	330.5, 327.6, 325.3	3.30, 0.34 , -1.94	2.12, 1.43, -0.55	22.82 , 2 7.52, 28.16	0.93 , 0.9, 0.9
Polar	5577	220.6, 222.3, 223.7	-3.08, -1.46, -1.09	-6.65, -4.83, -4.49	24.52 , 2 8.80, 27.83	0.95 , 0.93, 0.93
Overcast-sky LW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median D	RMSΔ	Correlation (r)
Global	6871	316.2, 318.1, 316.4	1.86 , 3.76, 1.99	0.50, 3.93, 2.77	22.69 , 3 0.21, 30.17	0.95 , 0.92, 0.92
Coastal	1502	362.0, 362.3, 360.5	3.17, 3.40, 1.66	2.72, 5.63, 4.96	14.67 , 2 9.56, 29.36	0.97 , 0.88, 0.88
Desert	80	372.8, 387.2, 384.2	0.10, 14.42, 11.45	0.88 , 16.83, 17.71	18.61 , 4 0.31, 29.96	0.94 , 0.74, 0.85
Island	275	425.4, 433.1, 433.2	4.04 , 11.77, 11.80	4.93 , 12.15, 11.87	13.86 , 2 1.49, 22.45	0.77 , 0.68, 0.64
Continental	2114	342.0, 344.4, 339.8	5.46, 7.89, 3.28	3.44 , 8.86, 5.70	24.46 , 2 9.98, 32.00	0.89 , 0.84, 0.81
Polar	2900	261.8, 263.3, 263.4	-1.61, -0.12, 0.03	-5.06, -3.25, -2.72	25.38 , 3 1.08, 29.85	0.92 , 0.87, 0.88
Clear-sky LW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ	RMSΔ	Correlation (r)
Global	3794	248.9, 246.1, 244.3	-8.89 , -11.61, -13.46	-7.46 , -10.72, -11.41	23.02 , 3 1.10, 31.42	0.98 , 0.96, 0.96
Coastal	454	315.5, 302.7, 299.2	1.38 , 11.36, -14.88	1.04 , -8.93, -10.37	11.85 , 4 0.60, 41.00	0.98 , 0.77, 0.77
Desert	669	322.2, 326.9, 325.8	-21.56, -16.83 , -17.95	-18.32, -12.37, -9.77	31.08 , 3 5.13, 32.77	0.86 , 0.74, 0.79
Island	48	385.8, 380.5, 380.5	0.60, -4.73, -4.67	-1.46 , -6.87, -7.03	9.21 , 12.81, 14.47	0.92 , 0.90, 0.88
Continental	1233	303.9, 295.9, 293.0	-4.28 , - 12.32, - 15.23	-2.40 , -7.25, -9.47	20.61 , 2 8.67, 31.70	0.94 , 0.91, 0.89
Polar	1390	138.2, 140.0, 139.2	-10.55, -8.78 , -9.57	-16.39, -14.03 , -14.23	23.57 , 2 7.79, 27.02	0.93 , 0.88, 0.90



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CERES Aqua FM3 Surface LW↓ & SW↓ [W m⁻²] CRS vs SOFA Clear-Sky Model A

Day Clear-sky LW↓	Ν	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ	$RMS\Delta$	Correlation (r)
Global	1718	236.0, 232.4, 232.2	-11.58 15.15, 15.43	-11.80 -13.09, -14.04	22.17 , 26.29, 25.94	0.99 , 0.98, 0.98
Coastal	110	305.8, 284.5, 285.0	1.45 , -19.83, -19.32	2.00 -4.87, -5.18	10.63 , 38.34, 37.21	0.98 , 0.77, 0.78
Desert	473	323.5, 331.7, 330.0	-18.12, -9.94 , -11.62	-17.27, -5.75, -5.50	25.19 , 26.07, 26.86	0.91 , 0.80, 0.79
Island	11	385.3, 374.5, 371.9	1.31 , -9.47, -12.13	-2.80 , -13.36, -13.75	11.90 , 15.90, 17.05	0.86 , 0.84, 0.86
Continental	492	298.2, 293.9, 300.9	-2.71 , -7.02, -8.11	-1.83 , -2.67, -3.05	16.20 , 22.40, 22.24	0.96 0.93, 0.94
Polar	632	107.4, 98.8, 100.1	-16.09 -24.66, -23.36	-21.1 , -24.69, -23.35	25.21 , 26.82, 25.65	0.86, 0.95 , 0.95
Night Clear-sky LW \downarrow	Ν	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ	$ m RMS\Delta$	Correlation (r)
Global	2287	186.7, 187.1, 187.3	13.57, -13.17, -12.96	-13.85, -12.82 , -13.33	18.84, 21.81, 21.17	0.99, 0.99, 0.99
Coastal	180	281.4, 278.0, 287.1	-5.76 , -9.12, -7.10	-6.28, -6.67, -5.44	12.79 , 21.82, 21.11	0.98 , 0.92, 0.92
Desert	289	297.5, 305.2, 305.7	-16.81, -9.10, -8.56	-13.88, -14.59, -10.99	25.35 , 30.67, 26.98	0.84 , 0.71, 0.77
Island	24	387.4, 378.1, 377.7	3.20 , -6.06, -6.47	4.12 -4.34, -5.26	7.86 , 9.83, 11.37	0.92 , 0.90, 0.87
Continental	768	268.2, 267.6, 269.5	-9.96, -10.55, -8.57	-8.57, -8.34, -7.84	15.54 , 20.15, 18.40	0.97 , 0.94, 0.95
Polar	1026	73.2, 73.2, 71.7	-17.11 , -17.14, -18.66	-17.25, -15.56 , -16.75	20.00 , 20.14, 21.44	0.87 , 0.82, 0.82
Day Clear-sky SW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	$\underline{\text{Median }\Delta}$	$ m RMS\Delta$	Correlation (r)
Global	1426	645.0, 625.8	0.01 , 19.25	3.21 , -10.40	36.70 , 113.85	0.99 0.91
Coastal	83	631.9,672.0	-2.74 , 37.35	<u>-1.65,</u> -0.63	20.03 , 154.83	0.99 , 0.68
Desert	430	843.5, 826.7	-11.15, -27.99	-5.78 , -10.87	37.20 , 73.88	0.98 , 0.91
Island	10	907.9, 924.0	9.10 , 25.12	7.90 , 25.76	15.93 , 28.99	0.99, 0.99
Continental	475	693.6, 687.8	8.48, 2.69	5.63, -1.97	49.19 , 59.53	0.97 0.95
Polar	428	388.2, 339.2	2.15 , -46.84	4.44 , -61.26	18.14 , 170.59	1.0 , 0.7





CRS (Fu-Liou), SSF Ed4A (Model A), SSF V4A (Model A)



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CERES Aqua FM3 Surface LW↓ [W m⁻²] CRS vs SOFA All-Sky LW Model C

All-sky LW↓	N	Mean Flux	Bias $(\overline{\Delta})$	Median Δ	$RMS\Delta$	Correlation (r)
Global	15298	298.9, 297.1	-0.07, -1.87	-0.70 , -1.27	22.45 , 26.63	0.97, 0.95
Coastal	2874	351.2, 344.0	4.27, -2.85	3.34, -2.25	15.73, 25.67	0.97, 0.91
Desert	916	335.6, 334.6	-16.65 , -17.7	-14.65, -12.14	28.61 , 35.87	0.88, 0.77
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Arctic Summer CRS Surface LW↓ Flux Validation @ MOSAiC



- CRS surface LW↓ from *Terra* FM1 & *Aqua* FM3 vs pyrgeometer measurements
- CRS captures the variations in LW \downarrow
- Small mean LW \downarrow bias of -4.4 W m^-2
- Lower RMSΔ (14 W m⁻²!) than typically seen at routine surface measurement sites



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ii. CRS vs MOSAiC in the Arctic

Arctic Summer CRS Surface SW↓ Flux Validation @ MOSAiC



- CRS surface SW↓ from *Terra* FM1 & *Aqua* FM3 *vs* unshaded PSP measurements (Shupe et al. 2022)
- Small mean bias of -12 W m⁻² consistent w/ well documented Ed4A polar cloud optical depth bias
- Lower RMSΔ than typical at routine surface measurement sites



ii. CRS vs MOSAiC in the Arctic

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Antarctic Summer CRS Surface Flux Validation @ Siple Dome



- Lubin et al. measurements (Scripps/UCSD)
- Good clear-sky SW↓, cloudy LW↓, but...
 - Occasional cloud base height errors?
 - Clear-sky LW \downarrow : unresolved surface dT/dz > 0
 - Excessive cloud optical depth (expect to be

resolved in Ed5)







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that are physically relevant and readily available in the FLASHFlux data processing stream & the CRS flux Supervised ML Algorithms: Random Forest Deep Neural Network XGBoost



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Supervised ML Algorithms: Random Forest Deep Neural Network XGBoost



- Standardize X prior to training
- Train using multiple days of daytime footprints only from same month of the previous year
- Evaluate generalization performance & tune hyperparameters using:
 - K-Fold Cross Validation (CV)
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Summary & Outlook

- CRS generally outperforms SOFA parameterizations available on the CERES/FLASH SSF products (Ed4A, v4A)
 - Based upon comprehensive validation & comparisons to SOFA Models A, B, & C at a network of 40 surface sites
 - CRS SW↓ & LW↓ fluxes show lower RMS∆ & higher corr. w/ measurements independent of sky conditions & surface type
 - In some places/conditions, CRS is often but not always less biased, highlighting a need to refine the CRS flux algorithm
 - Comparisons with remote polar field measurements in the Arctic & Antarctica show impressive performance
- Scott, R. C., F. G. Rose, P. W. Stackhouse, Jr., N. G. Loeb, S. Kato, D. R. Doelling, D. A. Rutan, P. C. Taylor, W. L. Smith, Jr. (2022), Clouds & the Earth's Radiant Energy System (CERES) Cloud Radiative Swath (CRS) Edition 4 Data Product, *Journal of Atmospheric & Oceanic Technology, in review*
- - Need near real-time fluxes during May 2022? Use models trained on CRS computations for May 2021
 - Tuned XGBoost SW↓ & LW↓ fluxes are > 50% closer (global MAE, RMSE) to CRS than FF SSF Model B fluxes are
 - Beginning to work w/ FLASHFlux team to integrate models into production
 - <u>Next steps</u>: (1) predict fluxes in near real-time using FLASHFlux-derived meteorological predictors X_{FLASH}
 (2) validate the fluxes to confirm performance enhancements & refine algorithms as necessary
- CRS data will be released (ahead of schedule) as part of Ed4 for a 5-year period (2017-2021)
 - Terra FM1 & Aqua FM3 data will be accompanied by the above publication & Data Quality Summary (in progress)
 - Thank You!





Extra Slides





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