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ABSTRACT

Ground surface reflection often shows significant directional effects. It may change with both solar and viewing angles. Understanding the bi-directional reflectance characteristic is particularly important in remote sensing applications. Lots of physical models were developed to explain the bi-directional reflectance of remotely sensed pixels since 1970s. However, universal models are still absent for vegetation covered land surface. In this presentation, after a brief introduction to the concept of bi-directional reflectance, three types of classic physical models will be reviewed with their advantages and limitations. A recently published physical model named PATH-RT will be shown in detail. The new model is developed based on the analytical expressions of sunlit and shaded proportions of vegetation and soil. By using a simple path length distribution which is easy to be measured from remote sensing data, PATH-RT can greatly remove the assumptions and limitations of previous models. As a result, it is capable of predicting remote sensing signals accurately and efficiently for various vegetation canopies.


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