

# OSOAA

## Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere - Advanced

### User Manual

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# 1. Introduction

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## 1.1 Overview of OSOAA functionalities

Based on the successive orders of scattering method [Deuze et al, 1989, - DR5] [Lenoble et al., 2007 - DR9], the initial OSOA (Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere) code was the first version of a radiative transfer model for the computation of radiance and polarization in an ocean-atmosphere system, accounting for a flat surface [Chami et al., 2001 - DR2].

The OSOA-Advanced code (so-called OSOAA) introduces the capability to simulate a more realistic air / sea interface by considering the roughness of the sea surface as modelled by Cox & Munk [Cox and Munk, 1954 - DR4]. Note that OSOAA model allows the computation of the polarization state of light (it is a vector radiative transfer model). This new code also offers a user-friendly interface (GUI) and simplified command lines to perform a set of simulation.

OSOAA allows simulating:

- **Atmospheric and sea profiles:**

For the characterization of the atmosphere, the user can define the molecular and aerosol optical thickness.

For the characterization of the water column, the chlorophyll and mineral-like particles concentrations are used as inputs of the code. The chlorophyll profile can be a homogeneous profile, a Gaussian profile or a user's one. The absorption of yellow substance and detritus (dead phytoplankton particles) is also modelled.

The users can also introduce their own measurements of absorption and scattering coefficients of the hydrosols within the water column.

- **Aerosol models:**

A wide variety of aerosol size distribution is available in OSOAA model to make the optical properties of the atmosphere highly close to real-world conditions. Log-normal (LND) or Junge mono-modal size distributions, bimodal LND, or pre-calculated WMO [WMO, 1986 - DR16] or Shettle & Fenn models [Shettle and Fenn, 1979 - DR14]) can be used.

The users can also use their own aerosol phase function and radiative properties.

- **Hydrosol models:**

Phytoplankton and Mineral-Like Particles, including their scattering and absorbing properties, can be simulated.

The users can use their own hydrosol phase functions and radiative properties.



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- **Sea surface interface:**

The air / sea interface could be modelled either for a flat surface or by considering the sea roughness defined by the wind speed and the correlated waves [Cox and Munk, 1954 - DR4].

OSOAA calculates the light transmission through the sea surface from air to sea and from sea to air. It calculates the upward reflection of the downwelling radiance field of the atmosphere on the surface and also the downward reflection of the upwelling radiance field below the surface.

The user can define specific angles for which output simulated radiance are required.

OSOAA provides the radiance field for a given altitude in the atmosphere or depth in the ocean. It can also provide the radiance profile for a specified direction. It is also possible to get the complete radiance field (upward and downward radiance in term of intensity and polarized radiance throughout the atmospheric and marine profiles).

## 1.2 Reference documents

DR1	Bricaud, A., Morel, A., Babin, M., Allali, K. and H. Claustre, « Variations of light absorption by suspended particles with the chlorophyll a concentration in oceanic (Case 1) waters : analysis and implications for bio-optical models ». <i>J. Geophysical Research</i> , vol. 103, pp. 31,033-31,044, 1998
DR2	Chami M., Santer R., and E. Dilligeard, « Radiative transfer model for the computation of radiance and polarization in an ocean-atmosphere system: polarization properties of suspended matter for remote sensing », <i>Applied Optics</i> , 40, 15, 2398-2416, 2001.
DR3	Chowdhary J., Cairns B., and L.D. Travis, "Contribution of water-leaving radiances to multiangle, multispectral polarimetric observations over the open ocean: bio-optical model results for case 1 waters," <i>Applied Optics</i> , Vol. 45, n°22, 5542-5567, 2006
DR4	Cox C. and W. H. Munk, « Measurements of the Roughness of the Sea Surface from Photographs of the Sun's Glitter », <i>J. Optical Soc. America</i> , Vol. 44, No. 11, 1954.
DR5	Deuzé J.L, M. Herman, and R. Santer, « Fourier series expansion of the transfer equation in the atmosphere-ocean system », <i>J. Quant. Spectrosc. Radiat. Transfer</i> , vol. 41, no. 6, pp. 483-494, 1989.
DR6	Dubovik, O.et al., « Application of spheroid models to account for aerosol particle nonsphericity in remote sensing of desert dust », <i>J. Geophys. Res.</i> , 111, D11208, doi:10.1029/2005JD006619, 2006.
DR7	Hansen J. and Travis L., "Light scattering in planetary atmospheres", <i>Space Sci. Rev.</i> , Vol. 16., pp. 527-610, 1974.
DR8	Kou, L., D. Labrie, P. Chylek, "Refractive indices of water and ice in the 0.65-2.5 m spectral range," <i>Applied Optics</i> , 32, 3531-354, 1993
DR9	Lenoble J., M. Herman, J.L. Deuzé, B. Lafrance, R. Santer, D. Tanré, « A successive order or scattering code for solving the vector equation of transfer in the earth's atmosphere with aerosols », <i>J. Quant. Spectrosc. Radiat. Transfer</i> , vol. 107, pp. 479-507, 2007.

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DR11	Morel, A.: « Optical properties of pure water and pure sea water », Chapter 1 in <i>Optical Aspects of Oceanography</i> , edited by N.G. Jerlov and E.S. Nielsen, Academic Press, New-York, pp. 1-24, 1974.
DR12	Morel, A., « Optical modeling of the upper ocean in relation to its biogenous matter content (case 1 water) », <i>J. Geophys. Res.</i> , vol. 93 (C9), pp. 10749-10768, 1988.
DR13	Pope, R. M., and E. S. Fry, « Absorption spectrum (380-700 nm) of pure water. II. Integrating cavity measurements », <i>Appl. Opt.</i> , vol. 36, pp. 8710-8723, 1997.
DR14	Shettle Eric P. and Fenn Robert W., « Models for the Aerosols of the Lower Atmosphere and the Effects of Humidity Variations on Their Optical Properties », Air Force Geophysics Laboratory. September 1979, AFGL-TR-79-0214, <i>Environnemental Research papers</i> , No. 676.
DR15	Smith, R.C. & K. S. Baker, « Optical properties of the clearest natural waters », <i>Appl. Opt.</i> , vol. 20, pp. 177-184, 1981.
DR16	World Climate Research Programme, « A preliminary cloudless standard atmosphere for radiation computation », <i>WCP-112, WMO/TD Report No 24</i> , Geneva, Switzerland, March 1986

## 1.3 Glossary

The acronyms used in this document are listed below.

AOT	Aerosol optical thickness
BRDF	Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function
BPDF	Bidirectional Polarization Distribution Function
CDOM	Color Dissolved Organic Matter
CNES	Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales
CS SI	Communication & Systems – Information Systems
GUI	Graphical User Interface
IOP	Inherent Optical Properties
LND	Log Normal Distribution
LOA	Laboratoire d'Optique Atmosphérique
LOV	Laboratoire d'Océanographie de Villefranche-Sur-Mer
OSOA	Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere
OSOAA	Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere - Advanced
SOS	Successive Orders of Scattering
TOA	Top Of Atmosphere
UPMC	Université Pierre et Marie Curie

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## 2. Software installation

### 2.1 Software and hardware environment

The OSOAA code runs on the following platforms:

- ✓ Computers mounted with RedHat or Ubuntu Linux,
- ✓ SUN machine mounted with SOLARIS operating system,

Using a **fortran 77** compiler (f77, g77 or gfortran).

To use the graphical user interface (GUI), **Java** must be installed, **at least version 16**.

The tests for OSOAA version 2.0 were carried out using Java version 21.0.6.

Note: the application provides output binary files (radiative properties of particles from Mie calculations and surface reflection or transmission matrices computations) for which the formats are not compatible between Solaris and Linux architectures (data are recorded with different endianness: Most Significant Bit First against Least Significant Bit First). Therefore, it is not possible to use on a Solaris architecture a database generated on a Linux architecture (or reciprocally).

The OSOAA code does not run on Windows Operating System. Windows PC users are invited to install a Linux partition or access a Linux virtual machine.

### 2.2 OSOAA deliverable contents

The OSOAA arborescence must be installed on the user account.

The file structure is composed of the following sub-directories:

- **src**: contains the code sources

OSOAA_MAIN.F	Main program of OSOAA. Manages the simulation parameters and the software run.
OSOAA_ANGLES.F	Manages angles and expansion orders.
OSOAA_AEROSOLS.F	Computes aerosol radiative properties.
OSOAA_HYDROSOLS.F	Computes hydrosol radiative properties.
OSOAA_MIE.F	Computes MIE calculation of radiative properties as a function of the size parameter.
OSOAA_PARTICLES_RAD.F	Contains routines used to compute the radiative properties of particles (aerosols and hydrosols).
OSOAA_PROFILE.F	Defines the atmospheric and maritime optical thickness profiles.

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OSOAA_SURFACE.F	Manages the calculation of surface reflection and transmission BRDF / BPDF matrices.
OSOAA_SURF_MATRICES.F	Contains routines used to compute the surface reflection and transmission matrices.
OSOAA_SOS.F	Manages the radiative transfer simulation from the radiative properties of particles (aerosols and hydrosols), the optical thickness profiles (atmosphere and sea) and the sea/atmosphere interface matrices. Manages the generation of output files.
OSOAA_SOS_CORE.F	Computes the Successive Orders calculations as a function of the viewing angle, for a Fourier series expansion on the azimuth.
OSOAA_TRPHI.F	Computes the final radiance field as a function of the viewing angle and azimuth, from Fourier series expansion.

- **obj**: folder for compiled files (*this folder is generated during the compilation*)
- **exe**: contains the executable code and initial launch scripts
- **ihm**: contains the Graphical User Interface tools
- **inc**: contains the file OSOAA.h which lists all the constant parameters (see section 3.1) shared by the different programs. It specifies the names of predefined physical data files (WMO and Shettle & Fenn aerosol models, euphotic depth depending on chlorophyll concentration, sea molecules absorption and scattering coefficients, coefficients used for calculation of phytoplankton absorption). OSOAA.h provides default values of physical parameters and of inner array size dimensions. This file also defines a set of thresholds used for computations.
- **gen**: contains the Makefiles used for the compilation
- **fic**: contains data files required for the processing:
  - o Aerosol data files issued from WMO and Shettle & Fenn models:  
*Data\_WMO\_cor\_2015\_12\_16, Data\_SF\_cor\_2015\_12\_16, IRefrac\_LR, IRefrac\_LU\_cor\_2015\_12\_16, IRefrac\_OM\_cor\_2015\_12\_16, IRefrac\_SR\_cor\_2015\_12\_16, IRefrac\_SU\_cor\_2015\_12\_16.*
  - o Spectral information on scattering and absorption coefficients of sea molecules and phytoplankton: *OSAA\_SEA\_MOL\_COEFFS\_JUNE\_2013.txt, OSAA\_SEA\_PHYT\_COEFFS.txt.*
  - o Information on the euphotic depth as a function of the surface chlorophyll concentration: *OSAA\_SEA\_EUPH\_DEPTH.txt.*
  - o Spectral reflectance information of predefined seabed composition (e.g., light sand, green algae, brown algae, red algae):  
*OSOAA\_SEABED\_REFLECTANCES.txt*

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- **doc**: contains the documentation

## 2.3 Software compilation

### 2.3.1 Environment variable definition

The user must define the *environment variable* **OSOAA\_ROOT** which points on the OSOAA main folder path.

It is recommended to define the variable OSOAA\_ROOT in a configuration file of the user account ((".bashrc", ".profile", ".kshrc" or ".cshrc" for instance).

Example on a SOLARIS machine (KornShell):

- > export OSOAA\_ROOT /users/username/OSOAA\_Vx.y
- > ls \$OSOAA\_ROOT must display all sub-directories listed in section 2.2.

Example on a PC linux machine within a file ".cshrc" :

```
setenv OSOAA_ROOT /home/username/OSOAA_Vx.y
```

### 2.3.2 Making the compilation

Let's change the current directory to gen (> **cd \$OSOAA\_ROOT/gen**) and run the makefile:

- > **make -f Makefile\_OSOAA.xxx**  
with xxx=**g77**, **f77** or **gfortran** depending on the available compiler

Upon completion, one can find:

- > **ls \$OSOAA\_ROOT/obj**: object files produced by the compiler
- > **ls \$OSOAA\_ROOT/exe**: the executable code **OSOAA\_MAIN.exe** in addition to the initial launch scripts located in this directory.

Note: if the program has to be re-compiled, the object files located in the **\$OSOAA\_ROOT/obj** directory should be first removed prior to run the makefile.

The compilation was successfully tested for following configurations:

	Compiler version	System
<b>f77</b>	f90: Sun Fortran 95 8.3 SunOS_sparc 2007/05/03	Sun Solaris computer SUNW, Sun-Fire- V240; sparc; sun4u
<b>g77</b>		
<b>gfortran</b>	GNU Fortran (GCC) 8.5.0 20210514 (Red Hat 8.5.0-21)	Ubuntu 22.04 LTS
	GNU Fortran (Ubuntu 11.4.0-1ubuntu1~22.04) 11.4.0	

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## 3. Operating mode

This chapter describes the procedure to use to execute a simulation with OSOAA code.

The processing parameters are divided into two set of parameters:

- ✓ Dimensioning parameters, predefined physical parameters and threshold values assigned in the include file **OSOAA.h**. (**\$OSOAA\_ROOT/inc/**)
- ✓ Physical parameters specific to the simulation, specified in the **runOSOAA.ksh** file (or .csh) (**\$OSOAA\_ROOT/exe/**) or specified with the **GUI** (**\$OSOAA\_ROOT/ihm**).

### 3.1 Constants

All constants of the code are defined in the **OSOAA.h** file, located in the sub-directory **inc** (**\$OSOAA\_ROOT/inc/**).

These constants are taken into account during the compilation phase.

**The change of a constant parameter in OSOAA.h  
will only be effective after the re-compilation of the OSOAA software**

The OSOAA.h file specifies 6 types of constant parameters:

- ✓ Constant values common to all programs such as length of character arrays.
- ✓ Constant values specific to the computation of particles radiative properties.
- ✓ Constant values specific to computation of surface interface matrices.
- ✓ Constant values specific to the radiative transfer equation calculation, including threshold values in particular for testing whether the end of the processing has been reached.
- ✓ Constant values specific to angle definition and orders for the Fourier series and Legendre polynomials expansions.
- ✓ Constant values specific to atmospheric and maritime profiles definition.

A modification of the include file OSOAA.h is unusual.

**Any change to its content requires a significant expertise and an in-depth knowledge of the analytical solution of the radiative transfer equation.**

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**Table 1 : list of the various constants that are mentioned in the OSOAA.h file**

Constant	Default value
<b>Common constants: Length of character chains</b>	
Length of directory name <b>CTE_LENDIR</b>	350
Length of filename (without the directory tree) <b>CTE_LENFIG1</b>	150
Length of complete filename (with the complete directory tree) <b>CTE_LENFIG2</b>	450
Maximum size of the Keywords for the user's parameters definition <b>CTE_LENKEYWORD</b>	30
Length of command system chains <b>CTE_LENCOM</b>	400
<b>Common constants: ID for values not defined by the user</b>	
Allocated value for parameters of integer type, not defined by the user. <b>CTE_NOT_DEFINED_VALUE_INT</b>	-999
Allocated value for parameters of double precision type, not defined by the user. <b>CTE_NOT_DEFINED_VALUE_DBL</b>	-999.D+00
<b>Specific constants related to the computation of particles radiative properties</b>	
Default filename for the aerosol radiative properties definition <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_AER</b>	"PM_AER.txt"
Default filename for the phytoplankton radiative properties definition <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_PHYTO</b>	"PM_PHYTO.txt"
Default filename for the Mineral-Like Particles radiative properties definition <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_MLP</b>	"PM_MLP.txt"
Size of Mie arrays as a function of the size parameter <b>CTE_MIE_DIM</b>	10000
Maximum size of user phase function arrays (for the use of external data provided by the user) <b>CTE_MAXNB_ANG_EXT</b>	200
Default value for the maximum radius of aerosols particles for a Junge model of size distribution (used if the user does not define himself the value) <b>CTE_DEFAULT_AER_JUNGE_RMAX</b>	50.

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Constant	Default value
Default value for the minimum radius of hydrosols particles for a Junge model of size distribution (used if the user does not define himself the value) <b>CTE_DEFAULT_HYD_JUNGE_RMIN</b>	0.01
Default value for the maximum radius of hydrosols particles for a Junge model of size distribution (used if the user does not define himself the value) <b>CTE_DEFAULT_HYD_JUNGE_RMAX</b>	200.
Corrective value for the slope of Junge model in the case of the user has defined the singular value slope = 3 (which is not theoretically correct) <b>CTE_JUNGE_SLOPE_COR</b>	0.05
Limit value of the size parameter to calculate the MIE files for WMO and Shettle & Fenn model particles <b>CTE_ALPHAMAX_WMO_DL</b> <b>CTE_ALPHAMAX_WMO_WS</b> <b>CTE_ALPHAMAX_WMO_OC</b> <b>CTE_ALPHAMAX_WMO_SO</b> <b>CTE_ALPHAMAX_SF_SR</b> <b>CTE_ALPHAMAX_SF_SU</b>	4000. 50. 800. 10. 70. 90.
Lowest value of the size distribution ratio $n(r) / N_{max}$ used to estimate the limit value of the size parameter required for Mie calculations. <b>CTE_COEF_NRMAX</b>	0.002
File containing information on WMO particle models: modal radius, log of standard deviation, volumic concentration and refractive index values (real and imaginary parts) as a function of the wavelength. <b>CTE_AER_DATAWMO</b>	"Data_WMO_cor_2015_12_16"
File containing information on Shettle & Fenn particle size distributions: log of standard deviation and modal radius values as a function of the relative humidity. <b>CTE_AER_DATASF</b>	"Data_SF_cor_2015_12_16"
Files containing information on the refractive index of Shettle & Fenn particles (real and imaginary parts) as a function of the wavelength and relative humidity. <b>CTE_AER_SR_SF</b> <b>CTE_AER_LR_SF</b> <b>CTE_AER_SU_SF</b> <b>CTE_AER_LU_SF</b> <b>CTE_AER_OM_SF</b>	"IRfrac_SR_cor_2015_12_16" "IRfrac_LR" "IRfrac_SU_cor_2015_12_16" "IRfrac_LU_cor_2015_12_16" "IRfrac_OM_cor_2015_12_16"



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Constant	Default value
Angles (cosine of angles) used to define the angular range for the phase function linearization while applying a truncation.	
<b>CTE_AER_MU1_TRONCA</b>	0.8
<b>CTE_AER_MU2_TRONCA</b>	0.94
<b>CTE_HYD_MU1_TRONCA</b>	0.85
<b>CTE_HYD_MU2_TRONCA</b>	0.92
Truncation threshold: the phase function truncation is cancelled if the truncation coefficient is lower than this threshold.	
<b>CTE_PH_SEUIL_TRONCA</b>	0.1
<b>Specific constants related to the computation of surface interface matrixes</b>	
Threshold for the maximum value of the wave probability GMAX	
<b>CTE_THRESHOLD_GMAX</b>	1.D-40
Dichotomy threshold on incidence angle calculation	
<b>CTE_THRESHOLD_DICHO</b>	1.D-10
Threshold for the minimum value of the cosine of the zenith angle of the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave estimated to an air -> sea coupled directions (incidence, transmission).	
<b>CTE_THRESHOLD_COSTHETAN</b>	0.001
Threshold for the dichotomic estimation of possible geometric configurations in case of transmission	
<b>CTE_THRESHOLD_GEO_CONFIG</b>	1.D-15
Factor used to compare GMIN and GMAX (probability function of waves)	
<b>CTE_PH_TEST</b>	10000
Number of azimuthal angles (= 2CTE_PH_NQ) for the calculation of the wave probability function for a given couple of incidence zenith angle and deviated zenith angles	
<b>CTE_PH_NU</b>	1024
Value of the exponent CTE_PH_NQ giving CTE_PH_NU = (2)CTE_PH_NQ	
<b>CTE_PH_NQ</b>	10
Threshold value for estimating the maximum order of the Fourier expansion of the wave probability function	
<b>CTE_THRESHOLD_G_SMAX</b>	0.0001
<b>Specific constants related to the radiative transfer equation calculation</b>	
Default filename for the binary result file of radiance in Fourier series expansion	
<b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICSOS_RES_BIN</b>	"LUM_SF.bin"
Default filename for the radiance result file as a function of the zenith angle	
<b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICSOS_RES_VS_VZA</b>	"LUM_vsVZA.txt"

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Constant	Default value
Default value for the maximum number of interactions (scattering, reflection)	
<b>CTE_DEFAULT_IGMAX</b>	100
Minimum wavelength for radiance calculation (µm)	
<b>CTE_WAMIN</b>	0.299
Factor of molecular depolarization in the air	
<b>CTE_MDF_AIR</b>	0.0279
Factor of molecular depolarization in the sea water	
<b>CTE_MDF_SEA</b>	0.0906
Threshold to test the convergence of geometric series	
<b>CTE_PH_SEUIL_CV_SG</b>	0.005
Threshold to test the stop of cumulative scatterings	
<b>CTE_PH_SEUIL_SUMDIF</b>	0.001
Threshold to test the stop of Fourier series expansion	
<b>CTE_PH_SEUIL_SF</b>	0.0002
Thresholds to calculate the rotation angles between scattering planes and meridian planes	
<b>CTE_SEUIL_Z</b>	0.0001
<b>CTE_SEUIL_EPSILON</b>	0.00001
Threshold value under which Q or U is fixed to be null	
<b>CTE_THRESHOLD_Q_U_NULL</b>	1.D-10
Value of the solar disc solid angle (sr) for the mean Earth-Sun distance	
<b>CTE_SOLAR_DISC_SOLID_ANGLE</b>	6.8D-5
Filename defining the sea bottom spectral reflectance for tabulated data and number of spectral data	
<b>CTE_FIC_BOT_SPECTRAL_DATA</b>	"OSOAA_SEABED_REFLECTANCES.txt"
<b>CTE_NB_WA_FIC_BOT</b>	91
Option to switch off the polarisation effects (1: polarisation off)	
<b>CTE_POLAR_SWITCHED_OFF</b>	0
<b>Specific constants related to the definition of angles and orders of Legendre series expansion</b>	
<b>Constants related to the size of the tables of angles and limit order of Fourier series expansion.</b>	
Maximum number of angles (positive value) used to define the size of phase functions tables.	
Advices:	
* Must be at least the default value CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_MIE + the maximum number of user's angles CTE_NBMAX_USER_ANGLES	
* Must be adjusted if the common use requires more Gauss' angles than the default value.	

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Constant	Default value
<p>* But, do not define a too high value in order to avoid reducing the calculation velocity.</p> <p><b>CTE_MIE_NBMU_MAX</b></p>	<p>510</p>
<p>Maximum number of angles (positive value) used to define the size of radiance and interface matrix tables.</p> <p>Advices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Must be at least the default value CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_LUM + the maximum number of user's angles CTE_NBMAX_USER_ANGLES</li> <li>* Must be adjusted if the common use requires more Gauss' angles than the default value.</li> <li>* But, do not define a too high value in order to avoid reducing the calculation velocity.</li> </ul> <p><b>CTE_OS_NBMU_MAX</b></p>	<p>510</p>
<p>Maximum order of Fourier series expansion and limit order for the Legendre polynomial expansion to define the size of tables used by the code.</p> <p>Advice: let's define CTE_OS_NB_MAX &gt;= 2×CTE_MIE_NBMU_MAX</p> <p><b>CTE_OS_NB_MAX</b></p>	<p>1024</p>
<p>Maximum order of Legendre polynomial expansion to define the size of tables used to compute the Fresnel matrix elements.</p> <p>Advice: let's define CTE_OS_NS_MAX = 2×CTE_OS_NBMU_MAX</p> <p><b>CTE_OS_NS_MAX</b></p>	<p>1020</p>
<p>Maximum order of Fourier series expansion to define the size of tables used to compute the G function (statistic of wave slopes).</p> <p>Advice: let's define CTE_OS_NM_MAX = CTE_OS_NB_MAX + CTE_OS_NS_MAX</p> <p><b>CTE_OS_NM_MAX</b></p>	<p>2048</p>
<b>Default number of angles and maximum orders of series expansions to be used in the case of none definition of angles by the user</b>	
<p>Default number of Gauss' angles (positive values) to be used for the Mie phase function calculations</p> <p><b>CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_MIE</b></p>	<p>40</p>
<p>Default number of Gauss' angles (positive values) to be used for the radiance calculations</p> <p><b>CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_LUM</b></p>	<p>48</p>
<p>Default value for the limit order of Legendre polynomial and Fourier series expansion to compute radiance :</p> <p>Usually : CTE_DEFAULT_OS_NB = 2×CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_MIE</p> <p><b>CTE_DEFAULT_OS_NB</b></p>	<p>80</p>
<p>Default value for the limit order of Legendre polynomial expansion to compute the Fresnel matrix elements</p> <p>Usually : CTE_DEFAULT_OS_NS = 2×CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_LUM</p> <p><b>CTE_DEFAULT_OS_NS</b></p>	<p>96</p>

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Constant	Default value
Default value for the limit order of Fourier series expansion of the G function (statistic of wave slopes). It is necessary than $CTE\_DEFAULT\_OS\_NM \geq CTE\_DEFAULT\_OS\_NB + CTE\_DEFAULT\_OS\_NS$ <b>CTE_DEFAULT_OS_NM</b>	176
<b>Limitation of the number of angles in order to define the angles set to be used for simulations</b>	
Maximum number of user's angles to be added to the Gauss angles <b>CTE_NBMAX_USER_ANGLES</b>	40
Maximum number of positive angles for the calculation of angles to be used by the routines (Gauss angles + user's angles + 1 = solar zenith angle) Advice : it should be the max between CTE_MIE_NBMU_MAX and (CTE_OS_NBMU_MAX + 1) <b>CTE_NBANGLES_MAX</b>	511
Minimum absolute difference between $\cos(X)$ and $\cos(\theta)$ to assign $\theta = X$ <b>CTE_SEUIL_ECART_MU</b>	0.00001
<b>Default name of result angles files</b>	
Default filename for the definition of angles and orders of Legendre series expansion applied to the radiance calculations <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICANGLES_RES_LUM</b>	"RAD_UsedAngles.txt"
Default filename for the definition of angles and orders of Legendre series expansion applied to the Mie calculations <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICANGLES_RES_MIE</b>	"MIE_UsedAngles.txt"
<b>Specific constants related to the calculation of atmospheric and maritime profiles</b>	
Default filename for the definition of the atmospheric profile <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICPROFIL_ATM_RES</b>	"PROFILE_ATM.txt"
Default filename for the definition of the sea profile <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICPROFIL_SEA_RES</b>	"PROFILE_SEA.txt"
Standard Pressure (mb) <b>CTE_DEFAULT_PRESSURE</b>	1013
Altitude of the Top of Atmosphere (km) <b>CTE_ALT_TOA</b>	300.
Number of atmospheric layers <b>CTE_NT_ATM</b>	26
Number of sea layers <b>CTE_NT_SEA</b>	80
Optical thickness of the transition layer atmosphere / sea <b>CTE_TRANS_OPT_THICKNESS</b>	0.0001

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Constant	Default value
Maximum number of layers used to profile computations <b>CTE_NZ_MAX</b>	25000
Sampling step of the oceanic profile (m) <b>CTE_SEA_DEPTH_STEP</b>	0.05
Filename of euphotic depth depending on chlorophyll concentration (Morel table) #define <b>CTE_FIC_EUPH_DEPTH</b>	"OSOAA_SEA_EUPH_DEPTH.txt"
Filename of the sea molecules absorption and scattering coefficients <b>CTE_FIC_MOL_SPECTRAL_DATA</b>	"OSOAA_SEA_MOL_COEFFS_JUNE_2013.txt"
Filename of the AP and EP coefficients to be used for the calculation of phytoplankton absorption <b>CTE_FIC_PHYTO_SPECTRAL_DATA</b>	"OSOAA_SEA_PHYT_COEFFS.txt"
Maximum number of spectral data in files defined by CTE_FIC_MOL_SPECTRAL_DATA and CTE_FIC_PHYTO_SPECTRAL_DATA <b>CTE_NBWA_MAX</b>	2500
Default value of the coefficient for the spectral variation of yellow substance absorption ( $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) <b>CTE_DEFAULT_SPECTRAL_Ys</b>	0.01
Default value of the coefficient for the spectral variation of detritus absorption ( $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) <b>CTE_DEFAULT_SPECTRAL_DET</b>	0.011
Maximum value of the sea column optical thickness <b>CTE_SEA_T_LIMIT</b>	30.
Maximum number of depth values in the user profile of absorption and scattering coefficients <b>CTE_NZ_MAX_USER_PROFILE</b>	500

## 3.2 Simulation parameters

The simulation parameters can be distinguished in 7 sets of parameters:

- ✓ General parameters: see §3.2.1.
- ✓ Atmospheric and sea profile parameters: see §3.2.2, page 23.
- ✓ Aerosols parameters: see §3.2.3, page 26.
- ✓ Hydrosols parameters (phytoplankton and sediments – also called Mineral Like-Particles): see §3.2.4, page 31.
- ✓ Sea / atmosphere interface parameters: see §0, page 38.
- ✓ Angle calculation parameters: see §3.2.6, page 39.
- ✓ Selection of expected outputs: see §3.2.7, page 40.

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Each parameter is defined in a command file by a couple « **-Keyword Value** ».

The command file can be written by the user (see §3.4.1, page 47). If the *Graphical User Interface* is used to perform a simulation, then, the command file is automatically written (see §3.4.2, page 48).

**Note:**

A given simulation requires defining only the useful input parameters. The useless input parameters (i.e, those who are not concerned by the options selected for the given simulation) should not be defined. However, note that if a useless parameter is still defined, it will not be taken into account by the software during the run.

Note also that if a useful parameter is missing, the software stops processing the run and the user is informed about the name of the parameter that should be filled.

The simulation parameters are listed in tables in the following sections.

A status is associated to each parameter:

- **Required (R)**: the user must define this parameter.
- **Default (D)**: the software requires a value for this parameter. If it is not defined by the user then a default value is automatically applied.  
The default value of the parameter is provided by a devoted constant value in the file OSOAA.h (located in the directory \$OSOAA\_ROOT/inc).
- **Optional (O)**: the definition of this parameter is optional.
- **Conditional (C)**: the definition of this parameter is required to complete the information on another parameter.

### 3.2.1 General parameters

The **definition of the working folder** for the OSOAA computations is ensured by the keyword **-OSOAA.ResRoot**. All the output files and log files will be located in this working folder in specific sub-directories (in the *Advanced\_Output/* or *Standard\_Output/* sub-directories, see 3.2.7, page 40) which are automatically created after a simulation.

The **wavelength for the radiance calculations** is defined by the keyword **-OSOAA.Wa**. Some radiative parameters must be defined for this wavelength, such as the aerosol and hydrosol refractive indices, the molecular optical thickness or surface albedos.

The **solar zenith angle** is also a specific parameter, defined by the keyword **-OSOAA.Thetas**.

The **main log file**, providing general information on the processing, is an optional output defined by the keyword **-OSOAA.Log**. The produced log file is located in the *Advanced\_Output/* sub-directory.

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**Table 2 : General parameters**

Parameter	Definition	R/O
<b>-OSOAA.ResRoot</b>	Working folder for the OSOAA computations (complete path) <i>String (CTE_LENDIR characters max)</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>-OSOAA.Wa</b>	Wavelength for radiance simulation ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) <i>Float</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>-ANG.Thetas</b>	Solar zenith angle in degrees ( $0 < \text{thetas} < 90^\circ$ ) <i>Float</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>-OSOAA.Log</b>	Log filename for main computations. Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>

### 3.2.2 Atmospheric and sea profile parameters

The profile parameters characterize the vertical distribution of particles (hydrosols and aerosols) and the values of the reflectance/albedo of the boundary limit of the atmosphere-ocean system (i.e., sea surface foam and sea bottom albedo).

**Table 3 : Parameters for the definition of the reflectance at boundary layers**

Parameter	Definition	R/O
<b>Sea surface</b>		
<b>SEA.SurfAlb</b>	Foam lambertian reflectance (i.e., albedo of the foam at the sea surface) for the wavelength of radiance calculation <i>Float</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>Sea bottom</b>		
<b>SEA.BotType</b>	Type of sea bottom for albedo definition Cases : 1 : User's lambertian value (user data -SEA.BotAlb) 2 : Light sand (tabulated data) 3 : Green algae (tabulated data) 4 : Brown algae (tabulated data) 5 : Red algae (tabulated data) <i>Integer</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>If SEA.BotType = 1</b>		
<b>SEA.BotAlb</b>	Sea bottom albedo for the wavelength of radiance calculation (lambertian component). <i>Float</i>	<b>C</b>

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**Table 4 : Parameters for the atmospheric and sea profile definition**

Parameter	Definition	R / O / D / C	
PROFILE.Log	Log filename for profile calculations (without directory tree) Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	O	
Atmospheric profile parameter			
PROFILE_ATM.ResFile	Filename for the atmospheric profile result file (without directory tree) An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): CTE_DEFAULT_FICPROFIL_ATM_RES	D	
Air molecules			
AP.MOT	Molecular optical thickness for the wavelength of radiance simulation <i>Float</i>	O	Only one of these parameters must be defined
AP.Pressure	Atmospheric pressure at sea level (mbar) <i>Float</i>	O	
If AP.MOT ≥ 0.0001			
AP.HR	Height scale of the molecular profile (km). <i>Float</i>	C	
Aerosols			
AER.Waref	Reference wavelength (μm) for the aerosol optical thickness (AER.AOTref) <i>Float</i>	R	
AER.AOTref	Aerosol optical thickness for the reference wavelength <i>Float</i>	R	
If AER.AOTref ≥ 0.0001			
AP.HA	Height scale of the aerosol profile (km). <i>Float</i>	C	



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<b>Sea profile parameter</b>		
<b>PROFILE_SEA.ResFile</b>	Filename for the sea profile result file (without directory tree) An already existing file will be overwritten. String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max) Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICPROFIL_SEA_RES.</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>SEA.Depth</b>	Sea depth (meters) Float If not defined, the euphotic depth will be used from Morel tabulated data depending on the chlorophyll concentration at sea surface: <b>CTE_FIC_EUPH_DEPTH</b> file defined in OSOAA.h	<b>D</b>
<b>Phytoplankton</b>		
<b>If HYD.Model <math>\neq</math> 3 (no user-profile of absorption and scattering coefficients)</b>		
<b>PHYTO.ProfilType</b>	Type of the chlorophyll profile : Cases : 1: Homogeneous profile 2: Gaussian profile 3: User's chlorophyll profile file Integer	<b>C1</b>
<b>If PHYTO.ProfilType = 1 (Homogeneous profile)</b>		
<b>PHYTO.Chl</b>	Chlorophyll concentration at sea surface (mg.m <sup>-3</sup> ) Float	<b>C2</b>
<b>If PHYTO.ProfilType = 2 (Gaussian profile)</b>		
<b>PHYTO.GP.Chlbg</b>	Constant biomass background (mg.m <sup>-3</sup> ) Float	<b>C2</b>
<b>PHYTO.GP.Chlmax</b>	Maximum value of <i>chlorophyll-a</i> concentration of the gaussian profile, reached for the depth <b>PHYTO.GP.Deep</b> (mg.m <sup>-3</sup> ) Float	
<b>PHYTO.GP.Deep</b>	Depth for which the maximum of the Gaussian chlorophyll profile is reached. (m) Float	<b>C2</b>
<b>PHYTO.GP.Width</b>	Width of the maximum peak of the gaussian chlorophyll profile (m) Float	<b>C2</b>
<b>If PHYTO.ProfilType = 3 (User profile) and HYD.Model <math>\neq</math> 3</b>		
<b>PHYTO.Userfile</b>	Userfile describing the chlorophyll profile String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)	<b>C2</b>
<b>Mineral-like particles</b>		

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<b>SED.Csed</b>	Concentration of sediment (e.g., mineral-like particles) at sea surface (mg.l <sup>-1</sup> ) <i>Float</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>Yellow substance and detritus</b>		
<b>YS.Abs440</b>	Absorption coefficient of yellow substance at 440 nm (m <sup>-1</sup> ) <i>Float</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>If YS.Abs440 &gt; 0.0</b>		
<b>YS.Swa</b>	Coefficient for the spectral variation of the yellow substance absorption (m <sup>-1</sup> ) for the simulation wavelength. Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_SPECTRAL_YS</b> <i>Float</i>	<b>D</b>
<b>DET.Abs440</b>	Absorption coefficient of detritus at 440 nm (m <sup>-1</sup> ) <i>Float</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>If DET.Abs440 &gt; 0.0</b>		
<b>DET.Swa</b>	Coefficient for the spectral variation of the detritus absorption (m <sup>-1</sup> ) for the simulation wavelength. Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_SPECTRAL_DET</b> <i>Float</i>	<b>D</b>

### 3.2.3 Aerosols parameters

The following table lists all the parameters associated to an aerosol model definition which must be defined if the aerosol optical thickness for the reference wavelength (-AER.AOTref) is not null.

**Table 5 : Aerosols parameters**

Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>AER.Log</b>	Log filename for aerosol model calculations (without directory tree) Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>AER.MieLog</b>	Log filename for Mie aerosol calculations (without directory tree) Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>AER.ResFile</b>	Filename for the aerosol radiative properties result file (without directory tree) An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LEN_FIC2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_AER</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>AER.ResFile.IOP</b>	Name of file containing aerosol inherent optical properties (IOPs) (i.e., extinction and scattering cross-sections, phase functions) (without directory tree) <i>String (CTE_LEN_FIC2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>If AER.AOTref &gt; 0.0001</b>		
<b>AER.DirMie</b>	Directory for aerosol MIE files storage (complete path) <i>String (CTE_LEN_DIR characters max)</i>	<b>C1</b>
<b>AER.Tronca</b>	Option that allows to apply or not a truncation of the aerosol phase function: 0 : no truncation of the aerosol phase function 1 : a truncation of the aerosol phase function will be applied <i>Integer</i> Default value: <b>1</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>AER.Model</b>	Type of aerosol model 0 : Mono-modal 1 : WMO multi-modal 2 : Shettle & Fenn bi-modal 3 : Log-Normal bi-modal 4 : Phase functions from an external source <i>Integer</i>	<b>C1</b>
<b>If AER.Model = 0 : parameters of mono-modal size distributions</b>		
<b>AER.MMD.MRwa</b>	Real part of the aerosol refractive index for the wavelength of radiance calculation <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.MMD.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the aerosol refractive index for the wavelength of radiance calculation (negative value) <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.MMD.SDtype</b>	Type of mono-modal size distribution 1 : Log-Normal size distribution 2 : Junge's law <i>Integer</i>	<b>C2</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>If AER.MMD.SDtype = 1 : Log-Normal size distribution</b>		
<b>AER.MMD.LNDradius</b>	Modal radius ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) of the Log-Normal size distribution <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.MMD.LNDvar</b>	Standard deviation of the Log-Normal size distribution <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>If AER.MMD.SDtype = 2 : Junge size distribution</b>		
<b>AER.MMD.JD.slope</b>	Slope of the Junge's law Warning: 3 is a singular value <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.MMD.JD.rmin</b>	Minimum radius of the Junge's law ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.MMD.JD.rmax</b>	Maximum radius of the Junge's law ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) <i>Float</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_AER_JUNGE_RMAX</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>If AER.Waref <math>\neq</math> OSOAA.Wa</b>		
<b>AER.MMD.MRwaref</b>	Real part of the aerosol refractive index for the reference wavelength of aerosol properties calculation <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.MMD.MIwaref</b>	Imaginary part of the aerosol refractive index for the reference wavelength of aerosol properties calculation (negative value) <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>If AER.Model = 1 : WMO aerosol model</b>		
<b>AER.WMO.Model</b>	Type of WMO model. 1 : Continental WMO model. 2 : Maritime WMO model. 3 : Urban WMO model. 4 : WMO model by user definition. <i>Integer</i>	<b>C3</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>If AER.WMO.Model = 4 : user concentrations (summation = 1)</b>		
<b>AER.WMO.DL</b>	Volume concentration (between 0 and 1) of “Dust-Like” components <i>Float</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>AER.WMO.WS</b>	Volume concentration (between 0 and 1) of “Water Soluble” components <i>Float</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>AER.WMO.OC</b>	Volume concentration (between 0 and 1) of “OCeanic” components <i>Float</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>AER.WMO.SO</b>	Volume concentration (between 0 and 1) of “SOot” components <i>Float</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>If AER.Model = 2 : Shettle &amp; Fenn aerosol model</b>		
<b>AER.SF.Model</b>	Shettle & Fenn model 1 : Tropospheric      2 : Urban 3 : Maritime          4 : Coastal <i>Integer</i>	<b>C4</b>
<b>AER.SF.RH</b>	Percentage of air relative humidity (from 0 to 99%) <i>Float</i>	<b>C4</b>
<b>If AER.Model = 3 : Log-Normal bi-modal aerosol model</b>		
<b>AER.BMD.VCdef</b>	Choice of the mixture description type 1 : Use of predefined volume concentrations 2 : Use of the ratio of aerosol optical thicknesses (coarse mode AOT / total AOT) <i>Integer</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>If AER.BMD.VCdef = 1 : user-defined volume concentrations</b>		
<b>AER.BMD.CoarseVC</b>	User volume concentration of the “LND coarse mode” <i>Float</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>AER.BMD.FineVC</b>	User volume concentration of the “LND fine mode” <i>Float</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>If AER.BMD.VCdef = 2 : Use of ratio coarse mode optical thickness over total AOT</b>		
<b>AER.BMD.RAOT</b>	User value of the ration AOT_coarse / AOT_total for the aerosol reference wavelength. <i>Float</i>	<b>C3</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>Coarse mode LND parameters</b>		
<b>AER.BMD.CM.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for the "LND coarse mode" for the wavelength of radiance calculation <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.BMD.CM.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index for the "LND coarse mode" for the wavelength of radiance calculation (negative value) <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.BMD.CM.SDradius</b>	Modal radius of the "LND coarse mode" (μm) <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.BMD.CM.SDvar</b>	Standard deviation of the "LND coarse mode" <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>If AER.Waref ≠ OSOAA.Wa</b>		
<b>AER.BMD.CM.MRwaref</b>	Real part of the refractive index for the "LND coarse mode" for the aerosol reference wavelength <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>AER.BMD.CM.MIwaref</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index for the "LND coarse mode" for the aerosol reference wavelength (negative value) <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>Fine mode LND parameters</b>		
<b>AER.BMD.FM.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for the "LND fine mode" for the wavelength of radiance calculation <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.BMD.FM.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index for the "LND fine mode" for the wavelength of radiance calculation (negative value) <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.BMD.FM.SDradius</b>	Modal radius of the "LND fine mode" (μm) <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>AER.BMD.FM.SDvar</b>	Standard deviation of the "LND fine mode" <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>If AER.Waref <math>\neq</math> OSOAA.Wa</b>		
<b>AER.BMD.FM.MRwaref</b>	Real part of the refractive index for the "LND fine mode" for the aerosol reference wavelength <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>AER.BMD.FM.MIwaref</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index for the "LND fine mode" for the aerosol reference wavelength (negative value) <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>C3</b>
<b>If AER.Model = 4 : Phase functions from an external source</b>		
<b>AER.ExtData</b>	Filename (complete path) of user's external phase function data and radiative parameters (extinction and scattering coefficients) <u>Special requirement:</u> For this specific case, the reference aerosol wavelength (-AER.Waref) and the radiance simulation wavelength (-OSOAA.Wa) must be equal. <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>C2</b>

### 3.2.4 Hydrosols parameters: Phytoplankton and Mineral-Like Particles

The following table lists all the parameters associated to the model definition of phytoplankton and Mineral-Like Particles. These models must be defined if the surface concentrations of these hydrosols are not null.

**Table 6 : Hydrosols parameters**

Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>HYD.Log</b>	Log filename for hydrosol models calculations (without directory tree) Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>HYD.MieLog</b>	Log filename for Mie hydrosol calculations (without directory tree) Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.ResFile</b>	Filename for the phytoplankton radiative properties result file (without directory tree) An already existing file will be overwritten. NB: If a user file is used (-HYD.ExtData), this output file contains the global coefficients of the phase function expansion in Legendre functions. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_PHYTO</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>MLP.ResFile</b>	Filename for the Mineral-Like Particles radiative properties result file (without directory tree) An already existing file will be overwritten. NB: If a user file is used (-HYD.ExtData), this output file contains null coefficients for the phase matrix expansion in Legendre functions. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_MLP</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>HYD.ResFile.IOP</b>	Name of file containing hydrosol inherent optical properties (IOPs) (i.e., scattering and backscattering coefficients, phase functions) (without directory tree) <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>If PHYTO.Chl &gt; 0.0 or SED.Csed &gt; 0.0</b>		
<b>HYD.DirMie</b>	Directory for hydrosol MIE files storage (complete path) <i>String (CTE_LENDIR characters max)</i>	<b>C1</b>



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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>HYD.Model</b>	Type of hydrosol characterization <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1: From size distribution models (Mie calculations)</li> <li>2: User-defined external Mueller matrix (phase function in intensity and polarization) while absorption and scattering coefficients are calculated by the OSOAA model using Mie theory.</li> <li>3: User-defined external Mueller matrix and user-profile of absorption and scattering coefficients</li> </ol> <p>Note: If the option -HYD.Model 3 case is selected, it is NOT compatible with the selection of the option -PHYTO.ProfileType 3 case. (user's profile of chlorophyll concentration).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Integer</i></p>	<b>C1</b>
<b>If PHYTO.Chl &gt; 0.0 and HYD.Model = 1 : Hydrosols characterization by models</b>		
<b>Main mode of phytoplankton :</b>		<b>Junge distribution</b>
<b>PHYTO.JD.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for phytoplankton particles at the simulation wavelength: main mode of particles (Junge distribution). <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Float F5.3</i></p>	<b>C2</b>
<b>PHYTO.JD.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) for phytoplankton particles at the simulation wavelength: main mode of particles (Junge distribution). <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Float F8.5</i></p>	<b>C2</b>
<b>PHYTO.JD.slope</b>	Slope of Junge's law for phytoplankton particles <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Float</i></p>	<b>C2</b>
<b>PHYTO.JD.rmin</b>	Minimum radius of Junge's law for phytoplankton particles (μm) <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Float</i></p> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_HYD_JUNGE_RMIN</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>PHYTO.JD.rmax</b>	Maximum radius of Junge's law for phytoplankton particles (μm) <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Float</i></p> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_HYD_JUNGE_RMAX</b>	<b>D</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>PHYTO.JD.rate</b>	Ratio of the main mode in the global distribution for phytoplankton particles (as a proportion of the Junge distribution particles versus the global amount of phytoplankton particles: value between 0 and 1) <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>Secondary mode of phytoplankton : LND distribution</b> Optional parameters but the definition of one PHYTO.LND.SM.* parameter requires the definition of all the others.		
<b>PHYTO.LND.SM.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for phytoplankton particles at the simulation wavelength: secondary mode of particles (LND distribution). <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.LND.SM.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) for phytoplankton particles at the simulation wavelength: secondary mode of particles (LND distribution). <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.LND.SM.SDradius</b>	Modal radius of the LND for the secondary mode of phytoplankton particles (μm) <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.LND.SM.SDvar</b>	Standard deviation of the LND for the secondary mode of phytoplankton particles <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.LND.SM.rate</b>	Ratio of the LND secondary mode in the global distribution for phytoplankton particles (as a proportion of the number of the secondary LND mode particles versus the global amount of phytoplankton particles) <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>Tertiary mode of phytoplankton : LND distribution</b> Optional parameters but the definition of one PHYTO.LND.TM.* parameter requires the definition of all the others.		
<b>PHYTO.LND.TM.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for phytoplankton particles at the simulation wavelength: tertiary mode of particles (LND distribution). <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.LND.TM.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) for phytoplankton particles at the simulation wavelength: tertiary mode of particles (LND distribution). <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>O</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>PHYTO.LND.TM.SDradius</b>	Modal radius of the LND for the tertiary mode of phytoplankton particles (μm) <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.LND.TM.SDvar</b>	Standard deviation of the LND for the tertiary mode of phytoplankton particles <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>PHYTO.LND.TM.rate</b>	Ratio of the LND tertiary mode in the global distribution for phytoplankton particles (as a proportion of the number of the tertiary LND mode particles versus the global amount of phytoplankton particles) <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>If SED.Csed &gt; 0.0 and HYD.Model = 1 :</b>		
<b>Main mode of Mineral-Like Particles :      Junge distribution</b>		
<b>SED.JD.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for mineral-like particles at the simulation wavelength: main mode of particles (Junge distribution). <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>SED.JD.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) for mineral-like particles at the simulation wavelength: main mode of particles (Junge distribution). <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>SED.JD.slope</b>	Slope of Junge's law for mineral-like particles <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>SED.JD.rmin</b>	Minimum radius of Junge's law for mineral-like particles (μm) <i>Float</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_HYD_JUNGE_RMIN</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>SED.JD.rmax</b>	Maximum radius of Junge's law for mineral-like particles (μm) <i>Float</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_HYD_JUNGE_RMAX</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>SED.JD.rate</b>	Ratio of the main mode in the global distribution for mineral-like particles (as a proportion of the Junge distribution particles versus the global amount of mineral-like particles: value between 0 and 1) <i>Float</i>	<b>C2</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>Secondary mode of Mineral-Like Particles : LND distribution</b> Optional parameters but the definition of one SED.LND.SM.* parameter requires the definition of all the others.		
<b>SED.LND.SM.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for mineral-like particles at the simulation wavelength: secondary mode of particles (LND distribution).  <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SED.LND.SM.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) for mineral-like particles at the simulation wavelength: secondary mode of particles (LND distribution).  <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SED.LND.SM.SDradius</b>	Modal radius of the LND for the secondary mode of mineral-like particles (μm)  <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SED.LND.SM.SDvar</b>	Standard deviation of the LND for the secondary mode of mineral-like particles  <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SED.LND.SM.rate</b>	Ratio of the LND secondary mode in the global distribution for mineral-like particles (as a proportion of the number of the secondary LND mode particles versus the global amount of mineral-like particles)  <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>Tertiary mode of Mineral-Like Particles : LND distribution</b> Optional parameters but the definition of one SED.LND.TM.* parameter requires the definition of all the others.		
<b>SED.LND.TM.MRwa</b>	Real part of the refractive index for mineral-like particles at the simulation wavelength: tertiary mode of particles (LND distribution).  <i>Float F5.3</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SED.LND.TM.MIwa</b>	Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) for mineral-like particles at the simulation wavelength: tertiary mode of particles (LND distribution).  <i>Float F8.5</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SED.LND.TM.SDradius</b>	Modal radius of the LND for the tertiary mode of mineral-like particles (μm)  <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SED.LND.TM.SDvar</b>	Standard deviation of the LND for the tertiary mode of mineral-like particles  <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>

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Parameter	Definition	O/ D/C
<b>SED.LND.TM.rate</b>	Ratio of the LND tertiary mode in the global distribution for mineral-like particles (as a proportion of the number of the tertiary LND mode particles versus the global amount of mineral-like particles)  <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>If HYD.Model = 2 or 3: Hydrosols characterization by user-defined external Mueller matrix (phase function in intensity and polarization)</b>		
<b>HYD.ExtData</b>	Filename (complete path) of user's external sea particles phase function data and radiative parameters (extinction and scattering coefficients) <u>Special requirement:</u> For this use case, the measurements should be provided at the radiance simulation wavelength (-OSOAA.Wa).  <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>C2</b>
<b>If HYD.Model = 3: Hydrosols characterization by user-defined external Mueller matrix and user-profile of absorption and scattering coefficients</b>		
<b>HYD.UserProfile</b>	Filename (complete path) of user's external profile of absorption and scattering coefficients Note: pure seawater absorption and scattering coefficients need to be subtracted before  <u>Special requirement:</u> For this use case, the measurements should be provided at the radiance simulation wavelength (-OSOAA.Wa).  <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>C2</b>

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### 3.2.5 Sea / atmosphere interface parameters

The sea / atmosphere interface simulates the waves shape (correlated to the wind velocity by the Cox & Munk model [DR4]) and the reflection / transmission properties of wave facets (depending on the sea refractive index according to the Fresnel's law [DR2]).

**Table 7 : Sea / atmosphere interface parameters**

Parameter	Definition	O/R/C
<b>SEA.Log</b>	Log filename for SURFACE file computations. Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>SEA.Ind</b>	Surface / atmosphere refractive index (air = 1) for the simulation wavelength <i>Float F5,3</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>SEA.Wind</b>	Wind velocity at sea surface (m/s) <i>Float F4,1</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>If SEA.Wind <math>\neq</math> 0 m.s<sup>-1</sup></b>		
<b>SEA.Dir</b>	Directory for SURFACE files storage (complete path) <i>String (CTE_LENDIR characters max)</i>	<b>C</b>

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### 3.2.6 Angles calculation parameters

The number of Gauss' angles to be used to discriminate the radiance field (and BRDF/BPDF interface matrices) must be defined, rather by a user definition or by the use of the default number of Gauss angles proposed by OSOAA. Similarly, it is necessary to define the number of Gauss's angles to be used to calculate scattering phase functions.

These choices impact the limit orders of series expansions, calculated by the software.

The user can define the name of the angle files that OSOAA will generate or use the default filenames.

The conventions for angle definition are explained in section 3.5.1, page 57.

**Table 8 : Angles calculation parameters**

Parameter	Definition	R/O/D
<b>ANG.Log</b>	Log filename for ANGLES calculations (without directory tree)  Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten.  <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>Angles for radiance computations</b>		
<b>ANG.Rad.NbGauss</b>	Number of Gauss angles to be used for radiance computations <i>Integer</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_LUM</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>ANG.Rad.UserAngFile</b>	Filename (complete path) of the complementary list of user's angles to complete the ANG.Rad.NbGauss angles  <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>ANG.Rad.ResFile</b>	Filename of list of angles and maximum orders of series expansions to be used for BRDF/BPDF and radiance computations (without directory tree)  <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICANGLES_RES_LUM</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>Angles for Mie phase function computations</b>		
<b>ANG.Mie.NbGauss</b>	Number of Gauss angles to be used for phase matrix computations <i>Integer</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_NBMU_MIE</b>	<b>D</b>

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Parameter	Definition	R/O/D
<b>ANG.Mie.UserAngFile</b>	Filename (complete path) of the complementary list of user's angles to complete the ANG.Mie.NbGauss angles <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>ANG.Mie.ResFile</b>	Filename of list of angles and maximum orders of series expansions to be used for phase function computations (without directory tree) <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICANGLES_RES_MIE</b>	<b>D</b>

### 3.2.7 Output parameters

The output parameters defined the choice of provided output data. It is necessary to define the value of the relative azimuth angle to be used to recombine the Fourier series expansion of (I, Q, U) Stokes' parameters.

The choice of output data concerns the zenith and relative azimuth angles of the viewing direction, and the selected level in the profile.

All the produced files are automatically located in this working folder in specific sub-directories (in the Advanced\_Output/ or Standard\_Output/ sub-directories). Therefore, the result filenames are defined without their complete path.

**Table 9 : Parameters for the selection of outputs**

Parameter	Definition	R/O
<b>SOS.Log</b>	Log filename for SOS calculations (without directory tree) Only created if the log filename is specified. An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>Relative azimuth angle and maximum Successive Order of Scattering definition</b>		
<b>OSOAA.View.Phi</b>	Relative azimuth angle (degrees) for output radiance <i>Float</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>SOS.IGmax</b>	Maximum order of atmospheric and sea scattering & surface reflexion/transmission <i>Integer</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_IGMAX</b>	<b>D</b>



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Parameter	Definition	R/O
<b>Output files</b>		
<b>SOS.ResFile.Bin</b>	Filename of the output binary file from SOS computations (without directory tree), containing (I,Q,U) in term of Fourier series expansion <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICSOS_RES_BIN</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>OSOAA.ResFile.vsVZA</b>	Filename of the output ascii file given the radiance field (I,Q,U) versus the viewing zenith angle, for the given relative azimuth angle (OSOAA.View.Phi) and given altitude or depth (OSOAA.View.Level) An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i> Default value (in OSOAA.h): <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICSOS_RES_VS_VZA</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>OSOAA.View.Level</b>	Index for the output level definition Cases : 1 : Top of Atmosphere 2 : Sea Bottom 3 : Over sea Surface 0+ 4 : Below sea Surface 0- 5 : User's definition of altitude or depth (user data -OSOAA.View.Z) <i>Integer</i>	<b>R</b>
<b>If OSOAA.View.Level = 5</b>		
<b>OSOAA.View.Z</b>	Altitude or depth (meters) for which the radiance has to be given versus the viewing zenith angle, (for the given relative azimuth angle OSOAA.View.Phi). <i>Float</i>	<b>C1</b>
<b>OSOAA.ResFile.Adv.Up</b>	Filename of the output ascii file (without directory tree) resulting from SOS computations: Advanced output <b>upward radiance field</b> versus the depth (or altitude) AND versus the viewing zenith angle (for the given relative azimuth angle OSOAA.View.Phi) An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFI2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>

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Parameter	Definition	R/O
<b>OSOAA.ResFile.Adv. Down</b>	Filename of the output ascii file (without directory tree) resulting from SOS computations: Advanced output <b>downward radiance field</b> versus the depth (or altitude) AND versus the viewing zenith angle (for the given relative azimuth angle OSOAA.View.Phi)  An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>OSOAA.ResFile.vsZ</b>	Filename of the output ascii file given the radiance field versus the depth (for the given relative azimuth angle and given viewing zenith angle)  NB: if defined, it is required to also define <b>-OSOAA.View.VZA</b>  An already existing file will be overwritten. <i>String (CTE_LENFIG2 characters max)</i>	<b>O</b>
<b>OSOAA.View.VZA</b>	Viewing zenith angle (degrees) for which the radiance has to be given versus the depth (for the given relative azimuth angle)  NB: if defined, it is also required to define <b>-OSOAA.ResFile.vsZ</b> <i>Float</i>	<b>O</b>

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### 3.3 Specific simulation modes

For specific studies or analysis, the user can simulate the radiance for a “Black Ocean” or a “Black Sky” condition. It is also possible to switch off the polarization effects to perform a scalar calculation of the radiance (i.e., the polarization effects are not taken into account in the calculation of the radiance. Note that the scalar mode is often the feature of many other radiative transfer model such as Hydrolight.

#### 3.3.1 Procedure to simulate a “Black ocean”

The procedure to cancel the ocean contribution to the simulated signal is as follows:

- ✓ Open the source code src / OSOAA\_SOS\_CORE.F
- ✓ Set the expert parameter EXPERT\_MODE\_FORCED\_FSEA\_NULL as « .TRUE. » to cancel the ocean scattering. By default, its value is « .FALSE. ».

```

C      EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FATM_NULL : Constant devoted to expert analyses
C      ==> Force the atmospheric source function to be null if TRUE
C      EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FSEA_NULL : Constant devoted to expert analyses
C      ==> Force the sea source function to be null if TRUE
C-----
#include "OSOAA.h"
#define INCTE_IDLOG_SOS 99
#define INCTE_PI DACOS(-1.D+00)

#define EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FATM_NULL .FALSE.
#define EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FSEA_NULL .FALSE.

```

- ✓ Make a new compilation gen/Makefile.gfortran
- ✓ If the seabed depth is weak (i.e., shallow waters), make sure to set the seabed albedo to the value of zero; this is to avoid the consideration of the radiation that could originate from the seabed up to the sea surface to the calculation.

The expert mode can be helpful to understand and quantify the influence of the ocean on the radiance at sea surface ( $L_w(0+)$ ) by cancelling the scattering of light within the ocean layer and its reflection on the seabed.

The water leaving radiance ( $L_w(0+)$ ) can be estimated by performing two OSOAA runs:

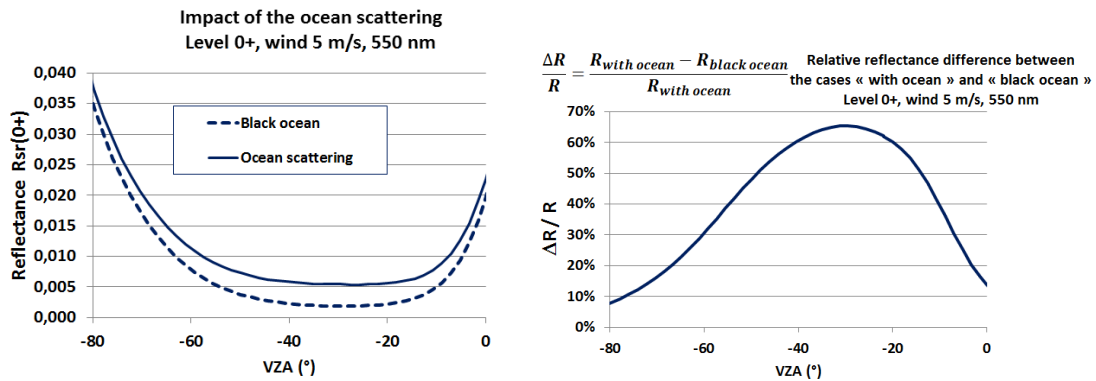
- ✓ One “normal” run, which includes both the atmospheric and oceanic scattering effects (i.e., atmosphere and ocean layers).
- ✓ One run using the “Black ocean” condition which only considers the atmospheric scattering effects and sea surface skylight reflections effects.

The subtraction of the radiance obtained using the “Black ocean” simulation from the radiance obtained using the normal run provides the water leaving radiance since it is not impacted by atmospheric effects.

As an illustration, Figure 1 shows the surface reflectance  $R_{sr}(0+)$  and its relative difference between a complete simulation and a simulation for a “black ocean”.  $R_{sr}(0+)$  is driven by the

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skylight reflection onto the sea surface in the case of a black ocean. Focusing on the backscattering area to avoid sunglint (see the convention for the sign of the viewing angle in §3.5.1), it is observed that the contribution of light scattered within the ocean layer to total surface reflectance is significant.



**Figure 1 : Sensitivity of the surface reflectance  $R_{sr}(0+)$  to the ocean scattering processes for various viewing zenith angles (VZA). The simulation is performed at 550 nm, for typical atmospheric conditions, Sun zenith angle of  $30^\circ$  and wind speed of 5 m/s. The results are shown for the backscattering part of the solar principal plan (i.e., for negative values of the viewing zenith angle).**

### 3.3.2 Procedure to simulate a “Black sky”

The procedure to cancel the atmospheric contribution to the signal is as follows:

- ✓ Open the source code src / OSOAA\_SOS\_CORE.F
- ✓ Set the expert parameter EXPERT\_MODE\_FORCED\_FATM\_NULL as « .TRUE. » to cancel the atmospheric scattering. By default, its value is « .FALSE. ».

```

C   EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FATM_NULL : Constant devoted to expert analyses
C   ==> Force the atmospheric source function to be null if TRUE
C   EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FSEA_NULL : Constant devoted to expert analyses
C   ==> Force the sea source function to be null if TRUE
C-----
#include "OSOAA.h"
#define INCTE_IDLOG_SOS 99
#define INCTE_PI DACOS(-1.D+00)

#define EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FATM_NULL .FALSE.
#define EXPERT_MODE_FORCED_FSEA_NULL .FALSE.

```

- ✓ Make a new compilation gen/Makefile.gfortran
- ✓ Set the AOT = 0 and a fairly zero molecular optical thickness ( $\approx 0.001$ )

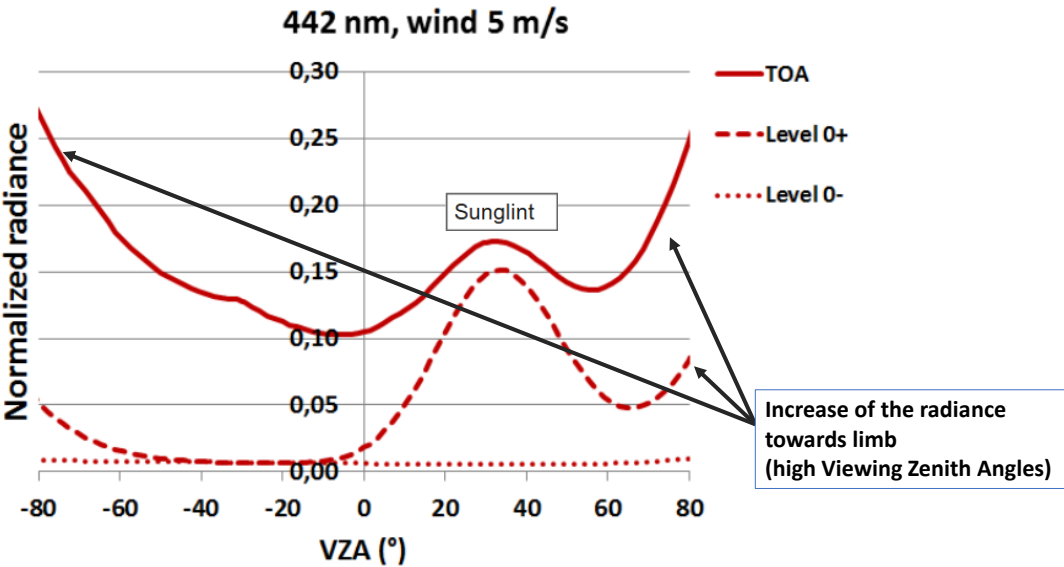
The expert mode can help to better understand the influence of the atmosphere on the TOA radiance. For instance, a physical explanation of the reason for an increase of the radiance at high

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viewing zenith angles (VZA) is possible with OSOAA by performing a simulation for a “Black Sky” condition.

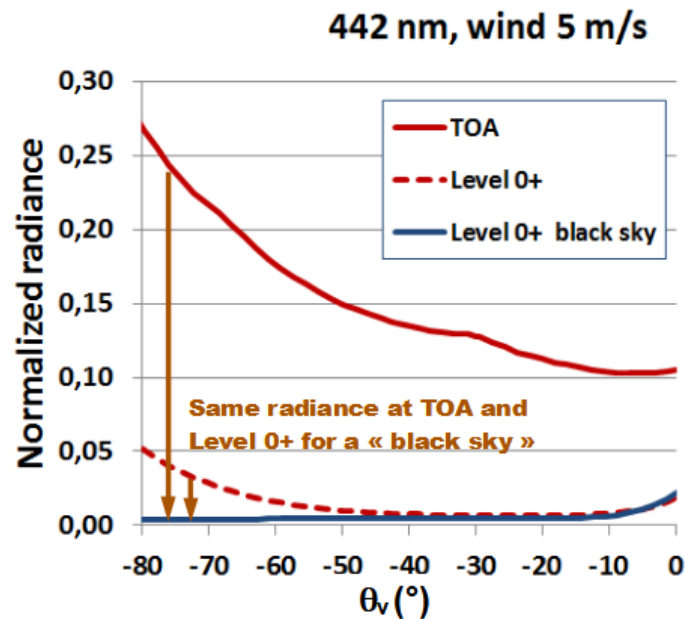
Figure 2 shows the increase of the radiance towards limb at sea surface and TOA, in the solar principal plan for a simulation at 442 nm, when significant scattering processes occur in the atmosphere. The sunglint is observed in the right part of the illustration (VZA > 0). The left part of the graph (VZA < 0) corresponds to the “backscattering directions”.

Figure 3 shows that the increase of the radiance towards high viewing zenith angles (VZA) is due to the reflexion of the downward atmospheric diffuse light onto the sea surface (i.e., skylight reflexion).



**Figure 2 : Illustration of the normalized radiance at TOA, above sea surface (0+) and below sea surface (0-) in the Solar Principal Plan. Simulation at 442 nm, for typical atmospheric conditions, Sun zenith angle of 30° and wind speed of 5 m/s.**

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**Figure 3 : Same legend as Figure 2 for TOA and L0+ radiance, with a focus on the backscattering area (i.e., negative viewing zenith angles-VZA) and comparison to simulations obtained for a “black sky” condition. Note that the TOA and L0+ radiances are overlapped in case of a “black sky”.**

### 3.3.3 Procedure to switch off the polarization effects

The OSOAA model is designed as a vector model. However, the user can switch off the simulation of the polarization effects to make the OSOAA code comparable to a scalar radiative transfer code (such as Hydrolight). It should be highlighted that the comparison of OSOAA simulation in scalar mode with another scalar model remains a complex exercise. This is because the main issue is to ensure that both models strictly use the same micro-physical properties of the particles and profile definitions.

The procedure to switch off the polarization effects is as follows:

- ✓ Open the file defining constant values: inc / OSOAA.h
- ✓ Set the constant CTE\_POLAR\_SWITCHED\_OFF to “1” .  
The default value is “0” to compute the polarization effects.
- ✓ Make a new compilation gen/Makefile.gfortran

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## 3.4 Simulation launch

### 3.4.1 How using a command file

The following command file is an example for a radiance simulation at 440 nm, with a solar zenith angle of 30°, a standard atmospheric pressure and an aerosol optical thickness of 0.1 at 550 nm for the Maritime model of Shettle&Fenn (98% of relative humidity). The chlorophyll concentration is 0.2 mg.m<sup>-3</sup> and the sea depth is at 15 m with a bottom albedo of 0.3. The wind velocity is 7 m/s at sea surface. The surface foam albedo is 0. The user requires an output radiance field at 10 m depth in the solar principal plan but also the global upward and downward (I,Q,U) fields throughout the air and sea profiles.

The user defines the location of the results directory and the location of the database where Mie and interface matrix files must be stored by OSOAA.

In order to perform a simulation: **\$OSOAA\_ROOT/exe/run\_OSOAA\_demo.ksh**

```
dirRESULTS=${USER_DIRECTORY}/OSOAA_RESULTS_DEMO

dirMIE_AER=${USER_DIRECTORY }/DATABASE/MIE_AER  && mkdir -p ${dirMIE_AER}
dirMIE_HYD=${USER_DIRECTORY }/DATABASE/MIE_HYD  && mkdir -p ${dirMIE_HYD}
dirSURF=${USER_DIRECTORY }/DATABASE/SURF_MATR   && mkdir -p ${dirSURF}

${OSOAA_ROOT}/exe/OSOAA_MAIN.exe \
    -OSOAA.ResRoot ${dirRESULTS} \
    -OSOAA.Log Main.Log \
    -OSOAA.Wa 0.440 \
    -ANG.Thetas 30. \
    -AP.Pressure 1013.0 -AP.HR 8.0 -AP.HA 2.0 \
    -AER.Waref 0.550 -AER.AOTref 0.1 \
    -AER.DirMie ${dirMIE_AER} \
    -AER.Model 2 \
    -AER.SF.Model 3 -AER.SF.RH 98. \
    -PHYTO.Chl 0.2 \
    -SED.Csed 0.0 -PHYTO.ProfilType 1 \
    -YS.Abs440 0.00 -DET.Abs440 0.00 \
    -SEA.Depth 15.000 \
    -HYD.DirMie ${dirMIE_HYD} \
    -HYD.Model 1 \
    -PHYTO.JD.slope 4.0 -PHYTO.JD.rmin 0.01 -PHYTO.JD.rmax 200. \
    -PHYTO.JD.MRwa 1.05 -PHYTO.JD.MIwa -0.000 -PHYTO.JD.rate 1.0 \
    -SEA.Dir ${dirSURF} -SEA.Ind 1.34 -SEA.Wind 7 \
    -SEA.SurfAlb 0.0 -SEA.BotType 1 -SEA.BotAlb 0.30 \
    -OSOAA.View.Phi 0.0 \
    -OSOAA.View.Level 5\
    -OSOAA.View.Z -10.0 -OSOAA.ResFile.vsVZA RESLUM_vsVZA.txt \
    -OSOAA.View.VZA 0.0 -OSOAA.ResFile.vsZ RESLUM_vsZ.txt \
    -OSOAA.ResFile.Adv.Up RESLUM_Advanced_UP.txt \
    -OSOAA.ResFile.Adv.Down RESLUM_Advanced_DOWN.txt
```

#### **Important warning:**

**Do not keep any "blank" after the character "\" at end of lines.**

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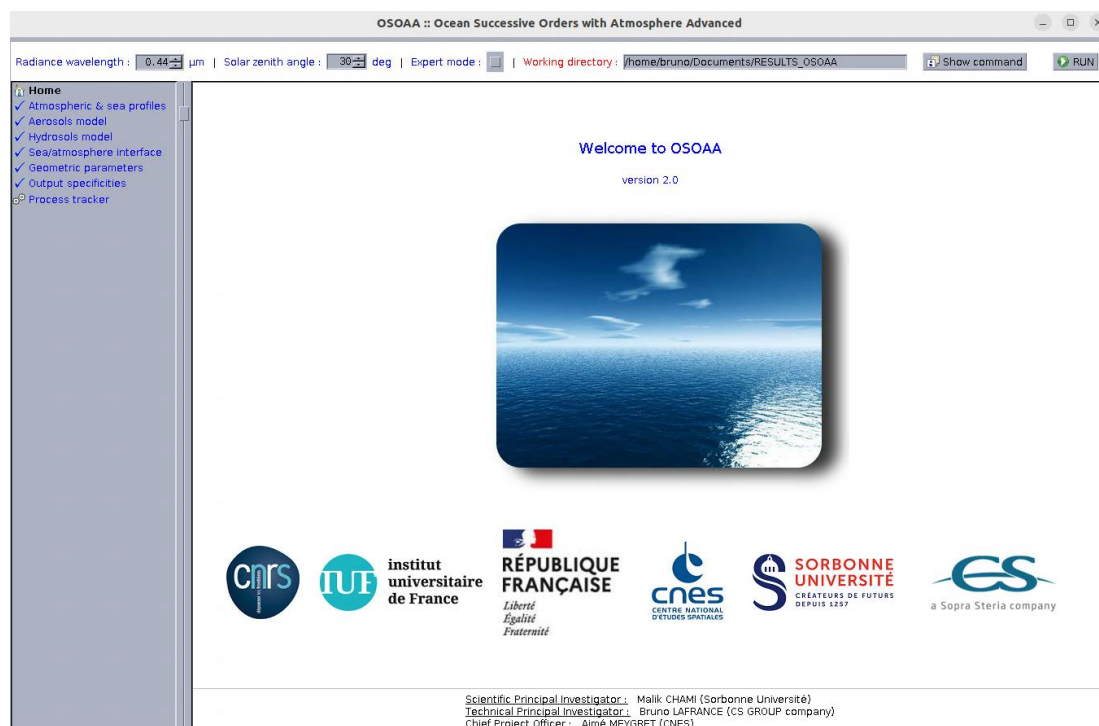
### 3.4.2 How using the GUI (Graphical Unit Interface)

To launch the GUI, in the repertory **\$OSOAA\_ROOT/ihm/bin** you need to execute the script: **runOSOAAI.bash** using the bash language.

The main window is then loaded.

Note: if your system uses ksh or csh, you need to run 'bash ./runOSOAAI.bash'

#### 3.4.2.1 Main window



The first view of the OSOAA GUI shows:

- The top menu bar which defines the general parameters (see section 3.2.1, page 22): the wavelength for radiance calculations, the solar zenith angle and the working path in which will be located the results files.

The expert mode option is activated by clicking on the related icon. This optional mode allows modifying some default parameters such as the number of angles to perform Gauss quadrature calculation, or such as the maximum order of scattering.

- The left menu bar which allows accessing to the various screens which are devoted to the set of the parameters and to run a simulation.

For each of these windows, the parameters flagged by an asterisk are required. The other ones are optional parameters.



### 3.4.2.2 Atmospheric and sea profiles

OSOAA :: Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere Advanced

Radiance wavelength : 0.44  $\mu\text{m}$  | Solar zenith angle : 30 deg | Expert mode : ☐ | Working directory : /home/bruno/Documents/RESULTS\_OSOAA | Show command | RUN

Home  
 ✓ Atmospheric & sea prof...  
 ✓ Aerosols model  
 ✓ Hydrosols model  
 ✓ Sea/atmosphere interface  
 ✓ Geometric parameters  
 ✓ Output specificities  
 ⚙ Process tracker

#### Atmospheric and maritime profiles

Note : \* means required field Reset form

**Reflectance limit conditions parameters**

SEA.SurfAlb *	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Lambertian reflectance of the foam at the simulation wavelength (albedo of the foam at the sea surface)
SEA.BotType *	<input type="text" value="USER_LAMBERTIAN"/>	Type of seabed composition
SEA.BotAlb *	<input type="text" value="0.3"/>	Seabed albedo at the simulation wavelength (Lambertian component)

**ATMOSPHERIC PROFILE**

**Atmospheric profile definition parameters**

PROFILE_ATM.ResFile:	<input type="text" value="PROFILE_ATM.txt"/>	Filename of the output of the atmospheric profile (result file)
PROFILE.Log :	<input type="text"/>	Name of log file for OSOAA_PROFILE calculations

**Molecules**

AP.MOT *	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Molecular optical thickness for the atmospheric profile (for the radiance simulation wavelength).
AP.Pressure *	<input type="text" value="1.013"/>	Atmospheric pressure at sea level (mbar)
AP.HR *	<input type="text" value="8"/>	Molecular height scale (km)

**Aerosols**

AER.Waref *	<input type="text" value="0.55"/>	Reference wavelength ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) for the aerosol optical thickness (AER.AOTref)
AER.AOTref *	<input type="text" value="0.1"/>	Aerosol optical thickness for the reference wavelength
AP.HA *	<input type="text" value="2"/>	Aerosol height scale (in km)

**SEA PROFILE**

PROFILE_SEA.ResFile:	<input type="text" value="PROFILE_SEA.txt"/>	Filename of the output of the sea profile
SEA.Depth :	<input type="text" value="15"/>	Sea depth value (meters)

**Phytoplankton**

PHYTO.ProfitType *	<input type="text" value="HOMOGENEOUS_PROFILE"/>	Type of chlorophyll profile
PHYTO.Chl :	<input type="text" value="0.2"/>	Chlorophyll concentration at sea surface (mg.m <sup>-3</sup> )
PHYTO.GP.Chlbg :	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Chlorophyll concentration background (mg.m <sup>-3</sup> )
PHYTO.GP.Chlmax :	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Maximum chlorophyll-a concentration (mg.m <sup>-3</sup> ) in the water column (reached at depth PHYTO.GP.Deep)
PHYTO.GP.Deep :	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Depth of the maximum chlorophyll-a value (m)
PHYTO.GP.Width :	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Half-width of the chlorophyll gaussian peak (m)
PHYTO.Userfile :	<input type="text"/>	Userfile describing the chlorophyll profile

**Mineral-like particles**

SED.Csed *	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Concentration of mineral-like particles at sea surface (mg.l <sup>-1</sup> )
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**Yellow substance and detritus**

YS.Abs440 *	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Absorption coefficient of yellow substance at 440 nm (m <sup>-1</sup> )
YS.Swa *	<input type="text" value="0.014"/>	Exponential slope of the spectral variation of the yellow substance absorption coefficient (m <sup>-1</sup> )
DET.Abs440 *	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Absorption coefficient of detritus at 440 nm (m <sup>-1</sup> )
DET.Swa *	<input type="text" value="0.011"/>	Exponential slope of the spectral variation of the detritus absorption coefficient (m <sup>-1</sup> )

The “Atmospheric and sea profiles” window is devoted to set the parameters related to the surface albedo, to the vertical profile definition of atmospheric constituents (molecules and aerosols optical thicknesses), and to the vertical profile definition of marine constituents (chlorophyll and mineral-like particle concentrations, yellow substance and detritus absorption coefficients).

See the section §3.2.2, from page 23, to get more details on these parameters.

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3.4.2.3 Aerosols model

Example of Shettle & Fenn Maritime model selection, for a relative humidity of 98%:

The screenshot shows the 'OSOAA :: Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere Advanced' window. The 'Aerosols models' tab is active. On the left, a sidebar lists various model categories, with 'Aerosols model' selected. The main panel contains several input fields and a 'Reset form' button. The 'AER.Model' dropdown is set to 'SHETTLE\_AND\_FENN\_BI\_MODAL'. Below it, the 'AER.SF.Model' dropdown is set to 'MARITIME'. The 'AER.SF.RH' field is set to '98'. Other fields include 'AER.ResFile', 'AER.DirMie', 'AER.MieLog', 'AER.Log', and 'AER.Trunca' (checked).

The “Aerosols model” window is devoted to set the parameters related to the type (i.e., composition, size) of the aerosols. See the section §3.2.3, page 26, to get more details on these parameters.

Note: The reference wavelength for aerosols is defined in the “atmospheric and sea profile” window.

The example above is for the selection of the Shettle & Fenn maritime model for a relative humidity of 98%, as proposed in the script `run_OSOAA_demo.ksh`.

Many other models are available.

Example of WMO maritime aerosol model selection:

This screenshot shows the same 'OSOAA :: Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere Advanced' window, but with the 'AER.Model' dropdown set to 'WMO\_MULTI\_MODAL'. The 'AER.WMO.Model' dropdown is open, showing a list of options: 'MARITIME', 'CONTINENTAL', 'URBAN', and 'USER\_DEFINED'. The 'MARITIME' option is currently selected. The other fields in the window remain the same as in the previous screenshot.

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***Example of Log-Normal aerosol model selection:***

For a mono-modal size distribution model, the user must define the refractive index of particles (real and imaginary parts), both for the wavelength of radiance simulation and for the aerosol reference wavelength (for which is given the AOT defined in the “atmospheric and sea profiles” window).

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***Example of bi-modal Log-Normal aerosol model selection:***

OSOAA :: Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere Advanced

Radiance wavelength : 0.44  $\mu\text{m}$  | Solar zenith angle : 30 deg | Expert mode : ☐ | Working path : /OTHER/BRUNO/OSOAA/SIMU | Show command | RUN

**Aerosols models**

Note : \* means required field

Reset form

AER.ResFile \* : FM\_AER.M | Filename for the aerosol radiative properties

AER.DirMie \* : /OTHER/BRUNO/OSOAA/DATABASE/MIE\_AER | Mie files repository directory (full path)

AER.MieLog : | Log filename of Mie calculations

AER.Log : | Log filename of the OSOAA\_PHASE\_MATRIX routine

AER.Trunca : ☒ YES | Phase function truncation

**Aerosols : size distribution model**

AER.Model \* : LOG\_NORMAL\_BI\_MODAL | Type of aerosol models

AER.BMD.VCdef \* : ☐ 1 : Use of predefined volumetric concentrations | Choice of mixture description type

☒ 2 : Use of the ratio of optical thickness of coarse mode over total optical thickness

AER.BMD.RAOT \* : 0 | Ratio of coarse mode optical thickness over total one for the ref

**Coarse mode LND parameters**

AER.BMD.CM.MRwa \* : 0 | Real part of the refractive index at simulation wavelength

AER.BMD.CM.MIwa \* : 0 | Imaginary part of the refractive index at simulation wavelength

AER.BMD.CM.SDradius \* : 0 | Modal radius of LND size distribution ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

AER.BMD.CM.SDvar \* : 0 | Standard deviation of LND size distribution

AER.BMD.CM.MRwaref \* : 0 | Real part of the refractive index at reference wavelength

AER.BMD.CM.MIwaref \* : 0 | Imaginary part of the refractive index at reference wavelength

**Fine mode LND parameters**

AER.BMD.FM.MRwa \* : 0 | Real part of the refractive index at simulation wavelength

AER.BMD.FM.MIwa \* : 0 | Imaginary part of the refractive index at simulation wavelength

AER.BMD.FM.SDradius \* : 0 | Modal radius of LND size distribution ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

AER.BMD.FM.SDvar \* : 0 | Standard deviation of LND size distribution

AER.BMD.FM.MRwaref \* : 0 | Real part of the refractive index at reference wavelength

AER.BMD.FM.MIwaref \* : 0 | Imaginary part of the refractive index at reference wavelength

The user must define the coarse and fine modes of particles: the size distribution parameters (modal radius and standard deviation) and the refractive index of each mode. The refractive index of aerosols must be given both for the wavelength of radiance simulation and for the aerosol reference wavelength (for which is given the AOT defined in the “atmospheric and sea profiles” window).

### 3.4.2.4 Hydrosols model

OSOAA :: Ocean Successive Orders with Atmosphere Advanced

Radiance wavelength : 0.44  $\mu\text{m}$  | Solar zenith angle : 30 deg | Expert mode : ☐ | Working directory : home/bruno/Documents/RESULTS\_OSOAA | Show command | RUN

**Hydrosol models : Mineral-like particles and phytoplankton** Reset form

Note : \* means required field

HYD.DirMie : home/bruno/Documents/DATABASEME\_HYD

HYD.MieLog :

HYD.Log :

PHYTO.ResFile : PH\_PHYTO.txt

MUP.ResFile : PH\_MUP.txt

HYD.ResFile.IOP :

HYD.Model :   
☒ By using size distribution models  
☐ By using a user-defined external Mueller matrix (phase function,...)  
☐ By using a user-defined external Mueller matrix and a user-profile of a and b coefficients

Mie files repository directory (full path)

Log filename of Mie calculations for hydrosols

Name of log file for calculations of hydrosol radiative properties

Filename of radiative properties calculated for phytoplankton (result file)

Filename of radiative properties calculated for Mineral-Like particles (result file)

Filename for the IOPs of hydrosols (result file)

} Type of hydrosol characterization

**Hydrosols characterization by models**

**Phytoplankton : Main mode of phytoplankton : Junge distribution**

PHYTO.JD.MRwa : 1.05  $\mu\text{m}$  Real part of the refractive index at the simulation wavelength

PHYTO.JD.Miwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) at the simulation wavelength

PHYTO.JD.slope : 4  $\mu\text{m}$  Slope of Junge's law (positive value. Warning: 3 is a singular value)

PHYTO.JD.rmin : 0.01  $\mu\text{m}$  Minimum radius of phytoplankton particles ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

PHYTO.JD.rmax : 200  $\mu\text{m}$  Maximum radius of phytoplankton particles ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

PHYTO.JD.rate : 1  $\mu\text{m}$  Rate of the main mode relatively to the overall distribution (i.e. the proportion of phytoplankton particles following the Junge distribution)

**Phytoplankton : Secondary mode of phytoplankton : LND parameters**

PHYTO.LND.SM.MRwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Real part of the refractive index for the secondary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

PHYTO.LND.SM.Miwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Imaginary part of the refractive index for the secondary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

PHYTO.LND.SM.SDradius : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Modal radius of particles for the secondary LND mode ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

PHYTO.LND.SM.SDvar : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Standard deviation of particles for the secondary LND mode ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

PHYTO.LND.SM.rate : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Rate of the secondary mode relatively to the overall distribution (i.e. the proportion of phytoplankton particles of the secondary mode)

**Phytoplankton : Tertiary mode of phytoplankton : LND parameters**

PHYTO.LND.TM.MRwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Real part of the refractive index for the tertiary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

PHYTO.LND.TM.Miwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Imaginary part of the refractive index for the tertiary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

PHYTO.LND.TM.SDradius : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Modal radius of particles for the tertiary LND mode ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

PHYTO.LND.TM.SDvar : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Standard deviation of particles for the tertiary LND mode

PHYTO.LND.TM.rate : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Rate of the tertiary mode relatively to the overall distribution (i.e. the proportion of phytoplankton particles of the tertiary mode)

**Sediment : Main mode of mineral-like particles : Junge distribution**

SED.JD.MRwa : 1.15  $\mu\text{m}$  Real part of the refractive index at the simulation wavelength

SED.JD.Miwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Imaginary part of the refractive index (negative value) for the simulation wavelength

SED.JD.slope : 4  $\mu\text{m}$  Slope of Junge's law (positive value. Warning: 3 is a singular value)

SED.JD.rmin : 0.01  $\mu\text{m}$  Minimum radius of mineral-like particles ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

SED.JD.rmax : 200  $\mu\text{m}$  Maximum radius of mineral-like particles ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

SED.JD.rate : 1  $\mu\text{m}$  Rate of the main mode relatively to the overall distribution (i.e. the proportion of Mineral-Like particles following the Junge distribution)

**Sediment : Secondary mode of mineral-like particles : LND parameters**

SED.LND.SM.MRwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Real part of the refractive index for the secondary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

SED.LND.SM.Miwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Imaginary part of the refractive index for the secondary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

SED.LND.SM.SDradius : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Modal radius of particles for the secondary LND mode ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

SED.LND.SM.SDvar : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Standard deviation of LND size distribution

SED.LND.SM.rate : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Rate of the secondary mode relatively to the overall distribution (i.e. the proportion of Mineral-Like particles of the secondary mode)

**Sediment : Tertiary mode of mineral-like particles : LND parameters**

SED.LND.TM.MRwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Real part of the refractive index for the tertiary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

SED.LND.TM.Miwa : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Imaginary part of the refractive index for the tertiary LND mode particles at the simulation wavelength

SED.LND.TM.SDradius : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Modal radius of particles for the tertiary LND mode ( $\mu\text{m}$ )

SED.LND.TM.SDvar : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Standard deviation of particles for the tertiary LND mode

SED.LND.TM.rate : 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Rate of the tertiary mode relatively to the overall distribution (i.e. the proportion of Mineral-Like particles of the tertiary mode)

The “Hydrosol models” window is devoted to set the parameters related to the type (i.e., concentration, size distribution) of simulated phytoplankton and mineral-like particles.

Their size distribution can be modelled by three modes: a main Junge’s distribution mode, eventually completed by a secondary and a tertiary Log-Normal Distributions.

The refractive index of particles must be given for the wavelength of the radiance simulation.

See the section §3.2.4, page 31, to get more details on these parameters.

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As an example, the graphical interface displayed below corresponds to the command line parametrization with the new option **HYD.Model 3** to take into account in the simulation a user-defined external Mueller matrix of hydrosols, coupled with a user's marine profile of absorption and scattering coefficients.

### 3.4.2.5 Sea/atmosphere interface

The “Sea/atmosphere interface” window is devoted to set the parameters related to the sea interface computation: sea/air refractive index and sea roughness due to the wind velocity at the surface.

See the section §3.2.5, page 38, to get more details on these parameters.

### 3.4.2.6 Geometric parameters

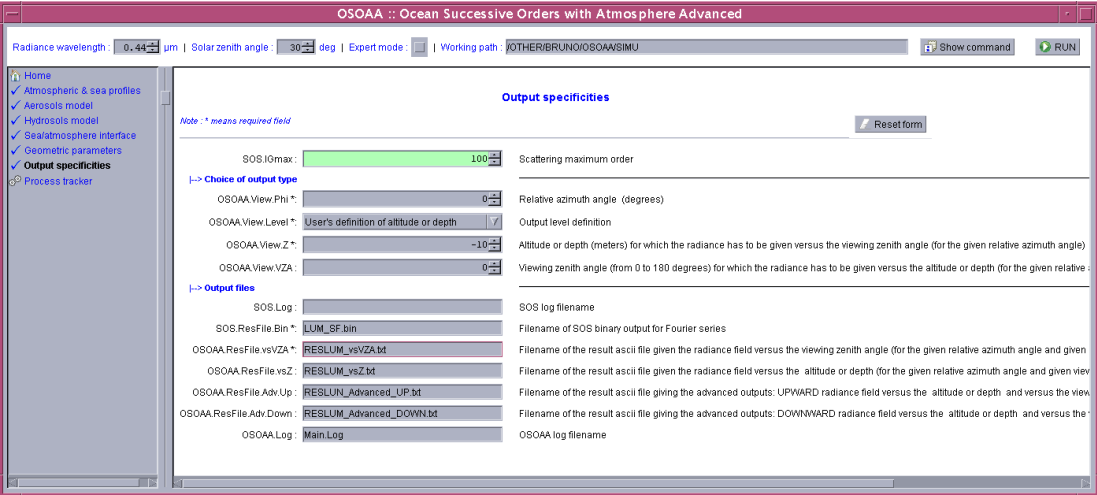
The “Geometric parameters” window is devoted to define the number of Gauss angles used to i) discriminate the radiance field of view and ii) to compute the particles phase functions. Thanks to

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this window, the user can also define the location of an own file containing a list of zenith angles for which a radiance simulation is required.

See the section §3.2.6, page 39, to get more details on these parameters.

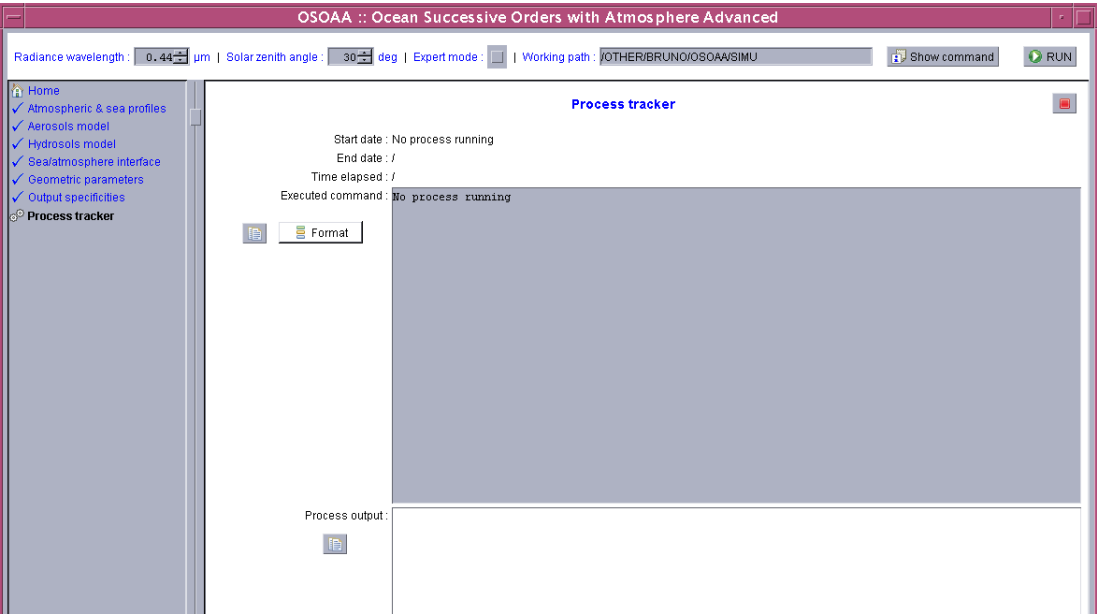
### 3.4.2.7 Output specificities



The “Output specificities” window defines the type of required outputs: relative azimuth angle, level in the profile for an upwelling radiance field simulation, or zenith angle direction for a radiance profile computation.

See the section §3.2.7, page 40, to get more details on these parameters.

### 3.4.2.8 Process tracker



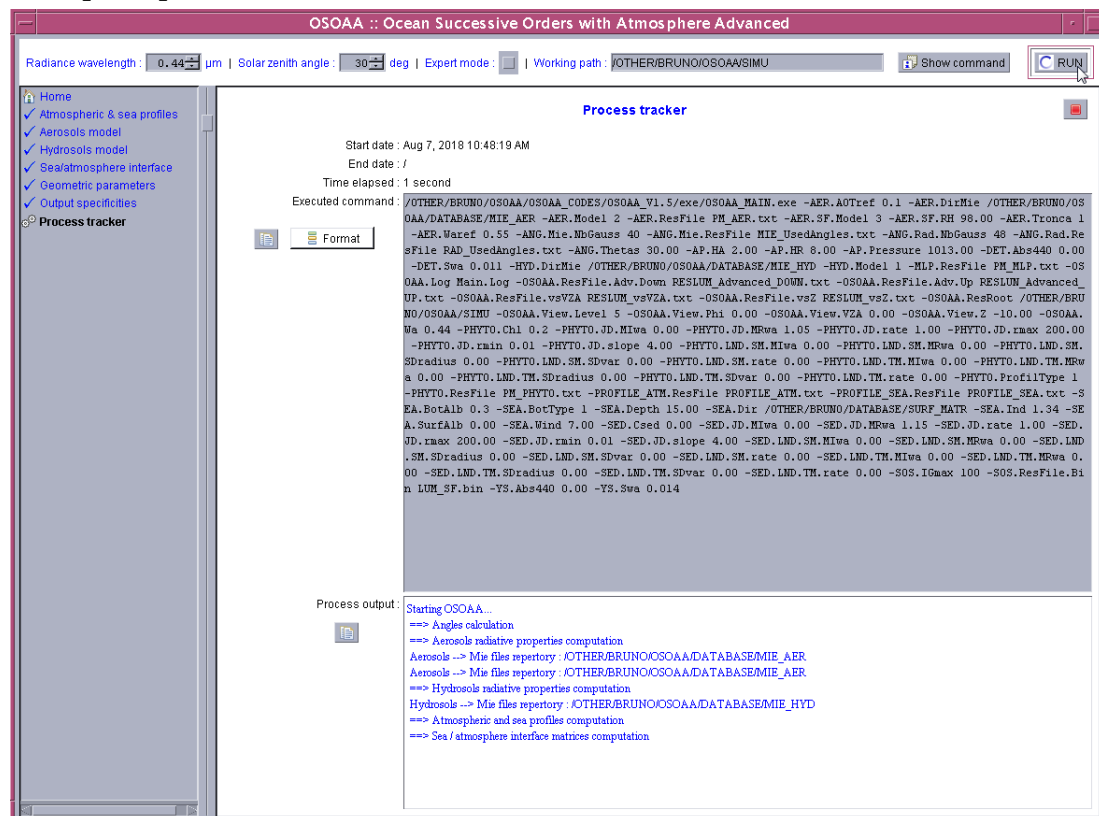
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The “Process tracker” window allows executing the defined simulation case, by clicking on the top right icon.

The GUI generates a command file which is run. The command can be shown by selecting the corresponding icon on the top menu bar.

The “Process tracker” screen provides information on the running process.

### Example of process information:





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## 3.5 Output files

This chapter describes the content of output files. The outputs mainly consist of the radiance and degree of polarization simulations. Other files are generated such as files providing the optical thickness profiles, the radiative properties of particles or the fluxes.

### 3.5.1 Radiance and degree of polarization simulation outputs

The simulation of both radiance and degree of polarization provides two kinds of output files:

✓ **Standard output files:**

- Filename defined by **-OSOAA.ResFile.vsVZA:**

This file provides the upwelling radiance field (i.e., the Stokes parameters I, Q, U where I is the radiance) versus the viewing zenith angle, for the given relative azimuth angle (**-OSOAA.View.Phi**) and for the given altitude or depth (**-OSOAA.View.Z** associated to **-OSOAA.View.Level** equals 5).

If not defined the default filename in OSOAA.h is applied:

CTE\_DEFAULT\_FICSOS\_RES\_VS\_VZA.

This ascii file is composed of a header which describes in detail the structure of the file and columns data.

- Filename defined by **-OSOAA.ResFile.vsZ:**

This optional file provides the radiance field (I, Q, U) versus the depth, for the given relative azimuth angle (**-OSOAA.View.Phi**) and for the given viewing zenith angle (**-OSOAA.View.VZA**).

✓ **Advanced output files** provide more detailed information:

- The file defined by **-SOS.ResFile.Bin** is a binary file containing the (I, Q, U) Stoke's parameters in term of Fourier series expansion. This file is NOT intended to be used by the user; it is an intermediate file for calculations.

Such a file is archived because it is re-used if the same simulation is carried out, for a different requested viewing direction (sun relative azimuth angle: **-OSOAA.View.Phi**, or a solar zenith angle: **-OSOAA.View.VZA**) or a different requested output level (**-OSOAA.View.Level**, **-OSOAA.View.Z**) without any change in the physical conditions of the simulation. This file thus enables to save computing time.

If not defined the default filename in OSOAA.h is applied:

CTE\_DEFAULT\_FICSOS\_RES\_BIN.

- Filename defined by **-OSOAA.ResFile.Adv.Up** (resp. **Down**):

This file provides the upwelling (respectively downwelling) Stoke's parameters (I, Q, U) versus the viewing zenith angle and versus the complete profile (depth or altitude), for the given relative azimuth angle (**-OSOAA.View.Phi**).

For each level of the profile, the radiance field (I, Q, U) is provided for each viewing zenith angle. The scattering angle, polarization angle and degree of

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polarization (also called polarization rate), as well as the polarized intensity are also provided.

Note: The radiance  $I$  at level  $z$  (or polarized terms  $Q$  and  $U$ ) is normalized to the extra-terrestrial solar irradiance  $E_{\text{sun}}$  (in  $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ ) by:  $\pi * I(z) / E_{\text{sun}}$

The unit for  $I$ ,  $Q$  and  $U$  is  $\text{sr}^{-1}$

The conversion to obtain the real radiance from the normalized radiance delivered by the OSOAA code, is then:  $I = \frac{E_{\text{sun}}}{\pi} \times I_{\text{OSOAA}}$ . The user is supposed to use any references found in the literature for getting  $E_{\text{sun}}$  values since  $E_{\text{sun}}$  is not provided within OSOAA package.

#### **Convention for output zenith angles:**

- Sign convention applied on zenith angles :
  - The viewing angle is positive in the half-plane of relative azimuth  $\phi$ .
  - It is negative in the half-plane  $\phi + \pi$ .

Note that the convention used for the value of the azimuth is opposite to the geographical definition of the azimuth.

For instance, in the solar principal plane:

Azimuth =  $180^\circ$  means that the Satellite and the Sun are located in the same half-plane. In this case the viewing zenith angle (VZA) is negative.

Azimuth =  $0^\circ$  means that the Satellite and the Sun are located in opposite half-planes with respect to the zenith direction. In this case the viewing zenith angle (VZA) is positive.

- Angles values:
  - For the upward radiance, the viewing angle is zero when looking up towards the zenith.
  - For the downward radiance, the viewing angle is zero when looking down at nadir.
  - The viewing angle is  $\pm 90^\circ$  for the horizon.

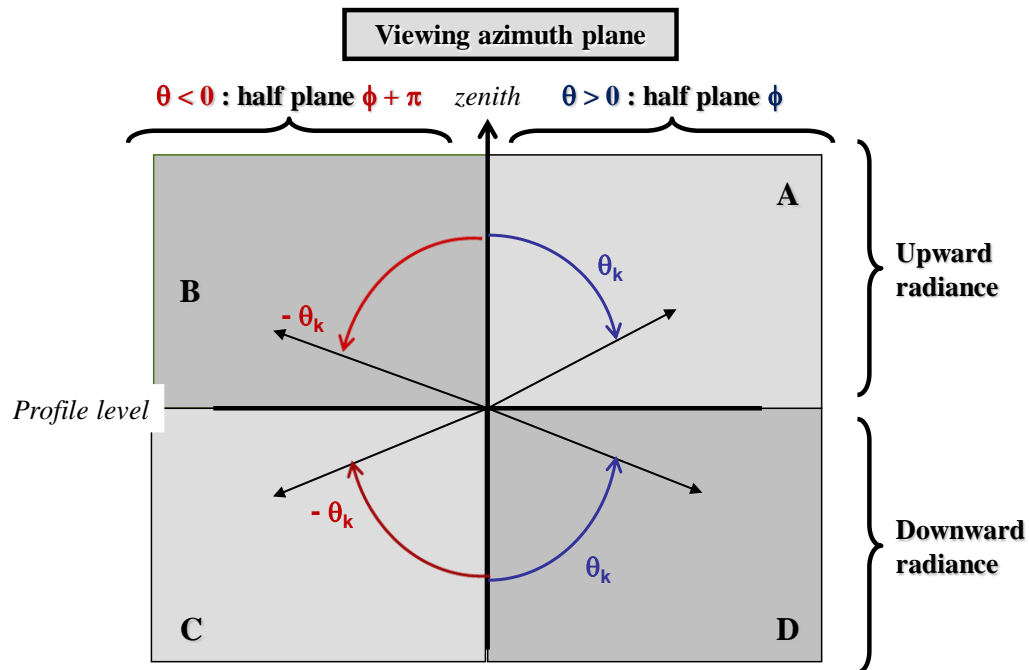
Figure 4 provides a schematic of the convention used for the sign of the zenith angles.

For a given level of the atmospheric or marine profile, this figure illustrates the viewing angle  $\theta_k$  corresponding to a direction  $k$  and the associated sign, for the following cases:

<b>Area A on Figure 4:</b> Upward direction for a relative azimuth $\phi$ equals to the value defined by the user (-OSOAA.View.Phi)	<b><math>\theta_k &gt; 0</math></b> Propagation toward the zenith: $\theta = 0^\circ$ Propagation toward the horizon: $\theta = 90^\circ$
<b>Area D:</b> Downward direction for a relative azimuth $\phi$ equals to the value defined by the user	<b><math>\theta_k &gt; 0</math></b> Propagation toward the nadir: $\theta = 0^\circ$ Propagation toward the horizon: $\theta = 90^\circ$

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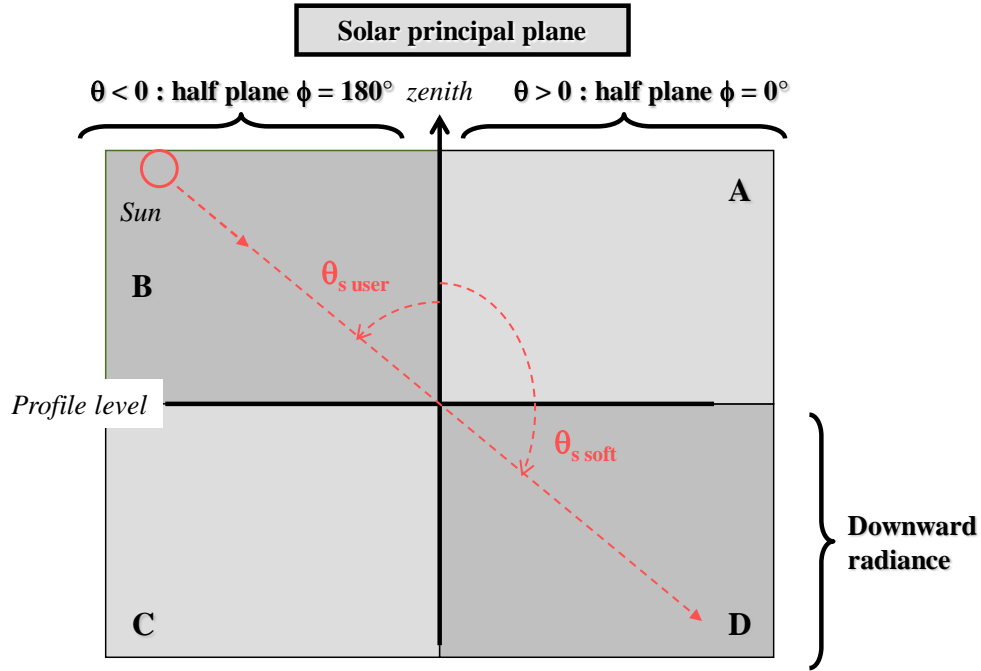
<b>Area B:</b> Upward direction for a relative azimuth $\phi + 180^\circ$ (value defined by the user plus $180^\circ$ )	$\theta_k < 0$ Propagation toward the zenith: $\theta = 0^\circ$ Propagation toward the horizon: $\theta = -90^\circ$
<b>Area C:</b> Downward direction for a relative azimuth $\phi + 180^\circ$ (value defined by the user plus $180^\circ$ )	$\theta_k < 0$ Propagation toward the nadir: $\theta = 0^\circ$ Propagation toward the horizon: $\theta = -90^\circ$



**Figure 4 : Convention on zenith angles values for the upwelling and downwelling radiance field. A direction  $k$  is illustrated for an upward or downward direction of light propagation. The configuration is shown for each half plane of the relative azimuth, namely  $\phi$  and  $\phi+180^\circ$ , is also presented in the figure.**

Figure 5 illustrates the location of the sun in the solar principal plane and the associated solar zenith  $\theta_s$  angle as defined by the user (-ANG.Thetas). Let's notice that the solar incident direction is actually a downward direction. As a result, the solar angle used for inner computations is redefined as being  $180^\circ - \theta_s$ .

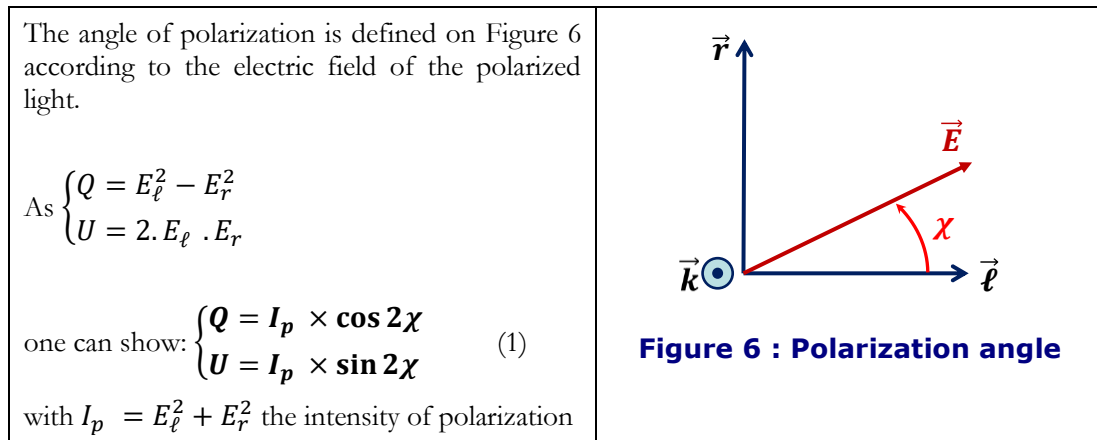
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**Figure 5 : Location of the Sun in the solar principal plane ( $\phi = 180^\circ$ ). Representation of the solar zenith angle defined by the user and of the solar angle as used by the software with respect to the zenith direction and to the incident direction of the solar beam.**

**Definition of the polarization angle:**

Let's consider the direction of light propagation  $\vec{k}$ , the vector  $\vec{\ell}$  which is perpendicular to  $\vec{k}$  and parallel to the meridian plan (defines by the zenith direction and the direction  $\vec{k}$ ), and the vector  $\vec{r}$  such as  $(\vec{\ell}, \vec{r}, \vec{k})$  is a direct orthonormed system.



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The polarization angle is defined in the range:  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \chi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

From Q and U values, according to the relation (1) and to the domain of definition of  $\chi$ , we retrieve the polarization angle by the following algorithm:

If  $Q > 0$  then  $\chi = \frac{1}{2}\text{atan}(U/Q)$

If  $Q < 0$  then

If  $U > 0$  then  $\chi = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\text{atan}(U/Q)$

If  $U \leq 0$  then  $\chi = -\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\text{atan}(U/Q)$

If  $Q = 0$  then

If  $U > 0$  then  $\chi = \frac{\pi}{4}$

If  $U < 0$  then  $\chi = -\frac{\pi}{4}$

If  $U = 0$  then  $\chi$  is undefined

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**Example of standard output: Filename defined by -OSOAA.ResFile.vsVZA**

STANDARD RESULTS :

UPWARD RADIANCE FIELD VERSUS THE VIEWING ZENITH ANGLE  
(RELATIVE AZIMUTH AND ALTITUDE/DEPTH ARE FIXED)

-----  
Relative azimuth (degrees) :

Relative azimuth convention :

180° <-> Satellite and Sun in the same half-plane

0° <-> Satellite and Sun in opposite half-planes with respect to the zenith direction

Simulated relative azimuth (degrees) :

for VZA < 0 (sign convention): 180.

for VZA > 0 (sign convention): 0.

Value of the depth selected for the output (m) : -10.

Columns parameters :

VZA : Viewing Zenith Angle (deg)

SCA\_ANG : Scattering angle (deg)

I : Stokes parameter at output level Z (in sr-1)  
normalized to the extraterrestrial solar irradiance ( $\pi * L(z) / E_{sun}$ )

REFL : Reflectance at output level Z ( $\pi * L(z) / E_d(z)$ )

POL\_RATE: Degree of polarization (%)

LPOL : Polarized intensity at output level Z (in sr-1)  
normalized to the extraterrestrial solar irradiance ( $\pi * L_{pol}(z) / E_{sun}$ )

REFL\_POL: Polarized reflectance at output level Z ( $\pi * L_{pol}(z) / E_d(z)$ )

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VZA	SCA_ANG	I	REFL	POL_RATE	LPOL	REFL_POL
-89.07	112.84	0.618418E-01	0.110655E+00	28.94	0.178976E-01	0.320246E-01
-87.20	114.71	0.635297E-01	0.113675E+00	26.14	0.166062E-01	0.297139E-01
-85.34	116.57	0.667435E-01	0.119426E+00	22.63	0.151036E-01	0.270251E-01

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**Example of standard output: Filename defined by -OSOAA.ResFile.vsZ**

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STANDARD RESULTS :
  RADIANCE FIELD VERSUS THE SEA DEPTH
  (RELATIVE AZIMUTH AND VIEWING ZENITH ANGLE ARE FIXED)
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Relative azimuth (degrees) :

  Relative azimuth convention :
    180 degrees <-> Satellite and Sun in the same half-plane
    0 degree <-> Satellite and Sun in opposite half-planes with respect to the zenith direction

  Simulated relative azimuth (degrees) : 0.

Upward direction VZA (degrees) : 0.

Columns parameters :
  Z      : Depth in the sea (meters)
  SCA_ANG : Scattering angle (deg)
  I       : Stokes parameter at level Z (in sr-1)
            normalized to the extraterrestrial solar irradiance (PI * L(z) / Esun)
  REFL    : Reflectance at level Z (PI * L(z) / Ed(z))
  POL_RATE : Degree of polarization (%)
  LPOL    : Polarized intensity at level Z (in sr-1)
            normalized to the extraterrestrial solar irradiance (PI * Lpol(z) / Esun)
  REFL_POL : Polarized reflectance at level Z (PI * Lpol(z) / Ed(z))
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      Z      SCA_ANG      I      REFL      POL_RATE      LPOL      REFL_POL
-0.00000  158.09  0.109852E+00  0.139874E+00      1.05  0.114922E-02  0.146330E-02
-0.00100  158.09  0.109853E+00  0.139878E+00      1.05  0.114917E-02  0.146326E-02
-0.19000  158.09  0.110106E+00  0.141114E+00      1.03  0.113289E-02  0.145193E-02
-0.38000  158.09  0.110364E+00  0.142360E+00      1.01  0.111667E-02  0.144040E-02
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**Example of advanced output: Filename defined by -OSOAA.ResFile.Adv.Up**

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ADVANCED RESULTS : UPWARD RADIANCE FIELD
                   VERSUS ALTITUDE / DEPTH
                   AND VERSUS THE VIEWING ZENITH ANGLE
                   (RELATIVE AZIMUTH IS FIXED)

-----
Relative azimuth (degrees) :
  Relative azimuth convention :
    180 degrees <-> Satellite and Sun in the same half-plane
    0 degree <-> Satellite and Sun in opposite half-planes with respect to the zenith direction
  Simulated relative azimuth (degrees) :
    for VZA < 0 (sign convention): 180.
    for VZA > 0 (sign convention): 0.
Columns parameters :
  LEVEL   : Level I of the profile
            TOA is level 0
            0+ (over surface) is level 26
            0- (under surface) is level 27
  Z       : Altitude or depth (meters)
  VZA     : Viewing Zenith Angle (deg)
  SCA_ANG : Scattering angle (deg)
  I, Q, U : Stokes parameters at level Z (in sr-1)
            normalized to the extraterrestrial solar irradiance (PI * L(z) / Esun)
  POL_ANG : Polarization angle (deg)
  POL_RATE: Degree of polarization (%)
  LPOL    : Polarized intensity at level Z (in sr-1)
            normalized to the extraterrestrial solar irradiance (PI * Lpol(z) / Esun)

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LEVEL  Z      VZA   SCA_ANG   I      Q      U      POL_ANG  POL_RATE  LPOL
0      300000.000  -89.07  120.93  0.340674E+00 -0.152813E+00 0.224944E-16 90.00  44.86  0.152813E+00
0      300000.000  -87.20  122.80  0.342355E+00 -0.140740E+00 0.213229E-16 90.00  41.11  0.140740E+00
0      300000.000  -85.34  124.66  0.335433E+00 -0.127595E+00 0.197172E-16 90.00  38.04  0.127595E+00
0      300000.000  -83.47  126.53  0.323469E+00 -0.114509E+00 0.179732E-16 90.00  35.40  0.114509E+00
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## 3.5.2 Files defining the angles used for calculations

### 3.5.2.1 Angles used for radiance calculations

OSOAA generates files containing the information about the angles used to compute both phase functions and radiance fields. They are located in the subdirectory *Advanced\_Output*.

The file defined by **-ANG.Rad.Resfile** is used for the radiance computations. It contains the list of Gauss angles used for spatial integration calculations, and associated weights, as well as the list of angles added by the user (from the file defined by **-ANG.Rad.UserAngFile**).

This file also provided information on the solar zenith angle both in the air and in the sea and the corresponding angle indices IMUS and IMUSW). It defines the maximum orders of series expansions, for inner computations (OS\_NB, OS\_NS and OS\_NM).

NB_TOTAL_ANGLES	Total number of angles to be used
NB_GAUSS_ANGLES	Number of Gauss angles
ANGLES_USERFILE	Filename for user-defined angles (NO_USER_ANGLES if no file).
SOLAR_ZENITH_ANGLE	Solar zenith angle (degrees) in the air
INTERNAL_IMUS	Index number in the angles array for solar zenith angle
TRANSMITTED SOLAR ZENITH ANGLE IN WATER	Solar zenith angle (degrees) in the sea
INTERNAL_IMUSW	Index number in the angles array for solar zenith angle
INTERNAL_OS_NB	Maximum order for expansion of phase functions as Legendre polynomials
INTERNAL_OS_NS	Maximum order of the Legendre polynomials for the Fresnel matrix elements and Fourier series for the radiance.
INTERNAL_OS_NM	Maximum order of the Fourier series for the wave probability G function which acts as a weight factor on the Fresnel matrix during computation of the reflection matrices.
INDEX   COS_ANGLE   WEIGHT   OUTPUT • • •	For each line: angle index, cosine, weight, and whether the angle is a user's defined: (1) if yes, (0) if no. Format: I4, 1X, 2D21.14, 1X, I4.

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#### Example of a file defining the angles used to compute radiance:

Filename defined by **-ANG.Rad.Resfile**

The OUTPUT column gives the information about the angle status : OUTPUT = 1 means there is a radiance calculation provided in the output files for this angle; if OUTPUT = 0, there is no radiance calculation for this angle..

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NB_TOTAL_ANGLES : 51
NB_GAUSS_ANGLES : 48
ANGLES_USERFILE
:NO_USER_ANGLES
SOLAR_ZENITH_ANGLE : 30.000
INTERNAL_IMUS : 19
TRANSMITTED_SOLAR_ZENITH_ANGLE_IN_WATER : 21.909
INTERNAL_IMUSW : 13
INTERNAL_OS_NB : 80
INTERNAL_OS_NS : 96
INTERNAL_OS_NM : 176
INDEX    COS_ANGLE          WEIGHT          OUTPUT
  1  0.100000000000000E+01  0.000000000000000E+00    1
  2  0.99968950388323E+00  0.79679206555877E-03    1
  3  0.99836437586318E+00  0.18539607889415E-02    1
  4  0.99598184298721E+00  0.29107318179379E-02    1
  5  0.99254390032376E+00  0.39645543384447E-02    1
  6  0.98805412632962E+00  0.50142027429294E-02    1
  7  0.98251726356301E+00  0.60585455042351E-02    1
  8  0.97593917458514E+00  0.70964707911542E-02    1
  9  0.96832682846326E+00  0.81268769256985E-02    1
 10  0.95968829144874E+00  0.91486712307830E-02    1
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### 3.5.2.2 Angles used for Mie phase function calculations

The file defined by **-ANG.Mie.Resfile** is used for the Mie computations. Its content is similar as that of a radiance computation. The list of angles includes the Gauss angles (and associated weights), as well as the list of potential angles added by the user (from the file defined by **-ANG.Mie.UserAngFile**).

NB_TOTAL_ANGLES	Total number of angles to be used		
NB_GAUSS_ANGLES	Number of Gauss angles		
ANGLES_USERFILE	Filename for user-defined angles (NO_USER_ANGLES if no file ).		
INTERNAL_OS_NB	Maximum order for expansion of phase functions as Legendre polynomials		
INDEX	COS_ANGLE	WEIGHT	For each line: angle index, cosine and weight. Format: I4, 1X, 2D21.14, 1X, I4.
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**Example of a file defining the angles used to compute phase functions:**

**Filename defined by -ANG.Mic.Resfile**

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NB_TOTAL_ANGLES : 41
NB_GAUSS_ANGLES : 40
ANGLES_USERFILE
:NO_USER_ANGLES
INTERNAL_OS_NB : 80
INDEX      COS_ANGLE      WEIGHT
  1  0.19511383256794E-01  0.39017813656307E-01
  2  0.58504437152421E-01  0.38958395962770E-01
  3  0.97408398441585E-01  0.38839651059052E-01
  4  0.13616402280914E+00  0.38661759774076E-01
  5  0.17471229183265E+00  0.38424993006959E-01
  6  0.21299450285767E+00  0.38129711314478E-01
  7  0.25095235839227E+00  0.37776364362001E-01
  8  0.28852805488451E+00  0.37365490238731E-01
  9  0.32566437074770E+00  0.36897714638276E-01
 10  0.36230475349949E+00  0.36373749905836E-01
 11  0.39839340588197E+00  0.35794393953416E-01
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  •

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### 3.5.3 Files defining the sea and atmosphere optical thickness profiles

OSOAA generates the optical thickness vertical profile both for the atmosphere and for the sea layers.

Sea optical thickness profile file : PROFILE_SEA	
<b>Param.</b>	User definition : <b>-PROFILE_SEA.ResFile</b> Default filename: <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICPROFIL_SEA_RES</b>
<b>Location</b>	Directory <i>Advanced_Output/</i> in the working folder ( <b>-OSOAA.ResRoot</b> )
<b>Content</b>	<p>This file contains the sea optical thickness vertical profile calculated by OSOAA.</p> <p>For each line, this file provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the level number (or index) p</li> <li>the depth of level p (in meters)</li> <li>the <u>extinction</u> optical thickness for the level p,</li> <li>the <u>scattering</u> mixing rate of pure sea water for the layer p</li> <li>the <u>scattering</u> mixing rate of phytoplankton for the layer p</li> <li>the <u>scattering</u> mixing rate of Mineral-Like particles for the layer p</li> </ul> <p>Note that the radiative parameters define the real profile <b>without any adjustment to the phase function truncation</b> of the components.</p>
<b>Format</b>	<p>Ascii file.</p> <p><b>I5, 1X, F9.3, 1X, E14.7, 1X, 3(1X, F7.5)</b></p>

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Atmospheric optical thickness profile file : <b>PROFILE_ATM</b>	
<b>Param.</b>	User definition : <b>-PROFILE_ATM.ResFile</b> Default filename: <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICPROFIL_ATM_RES</b>
<b>Location</b>	Directory <i>Advanced_Output/</i> in the working folder ( <b>-OSOAA.ResRoot</b> )
<b>Content</b>	<p>This file contains the atmospheric optical thickness vertical profile calculated by OSOAA.</p> <p>For each line, this file provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the <b>level number (or index)</b> k</li> <li>• the <b>altitude of level k</b> (in km)</li> <li>• the <b><u>extinction</u> optical thickness</b> for the <b>level k</b>,</li> <li>• the <b><u>scattering</u> mixing rate</b> of aerosols for the <b>layer k</b></li> <li>• the <b><u>scattering</u> mixing rate</b> of air molecules for the <b>layer k</b></li> </ul> <p>The radiative parameters define the real profile <b>without any adjustment to the aerosol phase function truncation.</b></p>
<b>Format</b>	Ascii file. <b>2X, I4, F9.3, 3(1X, F9.5)</b>

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### 3.5.4 Files defining the radiative properties of particles

OSOAA generates files containing the radiative properties of particles: aerosols, phytoplankton and mineral-like particles. These files are used by OSOAA to compute the radiance.

Files containing the radiative properties of Aerosols, chlorophyll or Mineral-Like particles	
<b>Param.</b>	User definition : <b>-AER.ResFile</b> , <b>-PHYTO.ResFile</b> or <b>-MLP.ResFile</b> Default filename: <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_AER</b> <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_PHYTO</b> <b>CTE_DEFAULT_FICGRANU_MLP</b>
<b>Location</b>	Directory <b><i>Advanced_Output/</i></b> in the working folder ( <b>-OSOAA.ResRoot</b> )
<b>Content</b>	<p>First thirteen header lines provide comments and formatted data on the extinction and scattering cross-sections (in <math>\mu\text{m}^2</math>), the asymmetry factor, the volume of the equivalent mean particle (in <math>\mu\text{m}^3</math>), the real part of the mean refractive index, the phase function truncation coefficient and the single scattering albedo (adjusted to the truncation).</p> <p>The following lines contain the phase matrix coefficients of the development of the Legendre Polynomials of the phase matrix for each order k ranging from k= 0 up to the maximum order of computations (OS_NB).</p> <p>For each line, this file provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the <b>coefficient <math>\alpha(k)</math></b>      Related to the polarized phase functions</li> <li>the <b>coefficient <math>\beta(k)</math></b>      Related to the intensity phase function</li> <li>the <b>coefficient <math>\gamma(k)</math></b>      Related to the polarized phase functions</li> <li>the <b>coefficient <math>\xi(k)</math></b>      Related to the polarized phase functions</li> </ul> <p>These coefficients are <b>adjusted to a phase function truncation</b> if applied.</p>
<b>Format</b>	Ascii file. <b>E15.8, 3(1X, E15.8)</b> for lines of matrix phase function coefficients

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### 3.5.5 Files of Inherent Optical Properties of hydrosols and aerosols

OSOAA generates files containing the inherent optical properties (IOPs) of aerosols and hydrosols (phytoplankton and mineral-like particles). These files are optional outputs.

The outputs provided for aerosols are:

- The extinction and scattering cross-sections (in  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ), and the single scattering albedo.
- The functions of the Mueller matrix:  $P_{11}(\Omega)$  (phase function in intensity),  $P_{12}(\Omega)$ ,  $P_{22}(\Omega)$  and  $P_{33}(\Omega)$  (polarization terms) where  $\Omega$  is the scattering angle (in degree).

Files containing the inherent optical properties (IOPs) of aerosols	
<b>Param.</b>	User definition: <b>-AER.ResFile.IOP</b>
<b>Location</b>	Directory <b><i>Advanced_Output/</i></b> in the working folder ( <b>-OSOAA.ResRoot</b> )
<b>Content</b>	<p>The file provides the extinction and scattering cross-sections (in <math>\mu\text{m}^2</math>), and the single scattering albedo.</p> <p>The following lines contain the phase matrix functions for scattering angles from 0 to 180°.</p> <p>For each line, this file provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1st column: Scattering angle (in degree)</li> <li>• 2nd column: Phase function P11</li> <li>• 3rd column: Polarized phase function P12</li> <li>• 4th column: Polarized phase function P22</li> <li>• 5th column: Polarized phase function P33</li> </ul> <p>These IOPs are provided without considering any truncation of the phase function.</p>
<b>Format</b>	<p>Ascii file.</p> <p><b>4X,F6.2,4(2X,E12.4)</b> for lines of phase functions</p>

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The outputs provided for hydrosols are:

- The functions of the Mueller matrix:  $P_{11}(\Omega)$ ,  $P_{12}(\Omega)$ ,  $P_{22}(\Omega)$  and  $P_{33}(\Omega)$  successively given for phytoplankton and Mineral-Like particles.
- The vertical profile of the scattering coefficients  $b$  (in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) and backscattering coefficient  $bb$  (in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ), and the vertical profile of the backscattering ratio  $bb/b$ . These IOPs are provided successively for phytoplankton and for Mineral-Like Particles. They are also provided for the mixing of these components in the medium, accounting for their relative mixing scattering rate and for the absorption by water molecules and CDOM.

The scattering coefficient  $b$  (in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) and the backscattering coefficient  $bb$  (in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) are defined by:

$$b = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} VSF(\theta) \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\theta \cdot d\phi = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} VSF(\theta) \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\theta$$

$$bb = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\theta=\pi/2}^{\pi} VSF(\theta) \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\theta \cdot d\phi = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} VSF(\theta) \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\theta$$

where  $VSF(\theta)$  is the volume scattering function.

(source: Ocean Optics Web Book, <https://www.oceanopticsbook.info/view/inherent-and-apparent-optical-properties/volume-scattering-function-vsrf>)

The volume scattering function is related to the phase function  $P_{11}(\theta)$  as follows:

$$P_{11}(\theta) = \frac{VSF(\theta)}{b}$$

The normalization condition of the phase function that is applied within the OSOAA model is as follows:

$$\int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} P_{11}(\theta) \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\theta \cdot d\phi = 4\pi$$

i.e.:  $\int_0^{\pi} P_{11}(\theta) \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\theta = 2$

The OSOAA model calculates the scattering coefficient  $b$  for phytoplankton from bio-optical relationships derived from literature. The scattering coefficient for Mineral-Like Particles is calculated using Mie theory. The OSOAA model calculates the phase function for both types of hydrosols (phytoplankton and Mineral-Like Particles) using either Mie theory or user-defined data (depending on the option HYD.Model selected by the user, as defined in Table 6 and section 4.3.4).

The backscattering coefficient is calculated by:

$$bb = \frac{b}{2} \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} P_{11}(\theta) \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\theta$$

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<b>Files containing the inherent optical properties (IOPs) of hydrosols</b>	
<b>Param.</b>	User definition: <b>-HYD.ResFile.IOP</b>
<b>Location</b>	Directory <b><i>Advanced_Output/</i></b> in the working folder ( <b>-OSOAA.ResRoot</b> )
<b>Content</b>	<p>The file provides, successively for phytoplankton and mineral-like particles, the following lines contain the phase matrix functions for scattering angles from 0 to 180°.</p> <p>For each line, this file provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1st column: Scattering angle</li> <li>• 2nd column: Phase function P11</li> <li>• 3rd column: Polarized phase function P12</li> <li>• 4th column: Polarized phase function P22</li> <li>• 5th column: Polarized phase function P33</li> </ul> <p>These IOPs are provided without considering any truncation of the phase function.</p> <p>Then, the file provides the profile of coefficients <math>b</math>, <math>bb</math> and ration <math>bb/b</math> for phytoplankton, mineral-like particles, and mixing of components in water.</p> <p>For each line, this file provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1st column: Depth (m)</li> <li>• 2nd column: scattering coefficient <math>b</math> for phytoplankton (in <math>m^{-1}</math>)</li> <li>• 3rd column: backscattering coefficient <math>bb</math> for phytoplankton (in <math>m^{-1}</math>)</li> <li>• 4th column: backscattering ratio <math>bb/b</math> for phytoplankton</li> <li>• 5th column: scattering coefficient <math>b</math> for mineral-like particles (in <math>m^{-1}</math>)</li> <li>• 6th column: backscattering coefficient <math>bb</math> for mineral-like particles (in <math>m^{-1}</math>)</li> <li>• 7th column: backscattering ratio <math>bb/b</math> for mineral-like particles</li> <li>• 8th column: scattering coefficient <math>b</math> for mixing of phytoplankton and mineral-like components (in <math>m^{-1}</math>)</li> <li>• 9th column: backscattering coefficient <math>bb</math> for mixing of phytoplankton and mineral-like components (in <math>m^{-1}</math>)</li> <li>• 10th column: backscattering ratio <math>bb/b</math> for mixing of phytoplankton and mineral-like components</li> </ul>
<b>Format</b>	<p>Ascii file.</p> <p><b>4X,F6.2,4(2X,E12.4)</b> for lines of phase functions</p> <p><b>F8.2,3X,3(E12.5,1X,E12.5,1X,E12.5,3X)</b> for lines of <math>b</math> and <math>bb</math> coefficients and ratio <math>bb/b</math></p>



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**Example of a file providing the inherent optical properties (IOPs) of hydrosols:**

**Filename defined by -HYD.ResFile.IOP**

RADIATIVE PROPERTIES OF HYDROSOLS

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PHYTOPLANKTON:

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Phase matrix:

1st column : Scattering angle (in degree)

2nd column : Phase function P11

3rd column : Polarized phase function P12

4th column : Polarized phase function P22

5th column : Polarized phase function P33

180.00   0.2927E-01   0.0000E+00   .2927E-01   -0.2927E-01

178.29   0.1973E-01   -0.3624E-03   0.1973E-01   -0.7187E-02

176.07   0.1580E-01   -0.2264E-03   0.1580E-01   -0.1060E-01

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0.00   0.1904E+05   0.0000E+00   0.1904E+05   0.1904E+05

Phase function integration (no truncation)

Phase function integration from 0 to 180 deg: 2.0031944288492545

Phase function integration from 90 to 180 deg: 1.4899254048301402E-002

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MINERAL-LIKE PARTICLES:

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SCATTERING and BACK-SCATTERING PROFILES  
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	PHYTOPLANKTON			MINERAL-LIKE PARTICLES			GLOBAL MIXTURE OF PARTICLES		
Depth (m)	b (/m)	bb (/m)	bb/b	b (/m)	bb (/m)	bb/b	b (/m)	bb (/m)	bb/b
0.00	0.15633E+01	0.11646E-01	0.74496E-02	-0.00000E+00	-0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.13584E+01	0.10119E-01	0.74496E-02
0.05	0.15633E+01	0.11646E-01	0.74496E-02	-0.00000E+00	-0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.13584E+01	0.10119E-01	0.74496E-02
0.10	0.15633E+01	0.11646E-01	0.74496E-02	-0.00000E+00	-0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.13584E+01	0.10119E-01	0.74496E-02
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20.00	0.15633E+01	0.11646E-01	0.74496E-02	-0.00000E+00	-0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00	0.13584E+01	0.10119E-01	0.74496E-02

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### 3.5.6 File defining the profile of fluxes

OSOAA generates the “Flux.txt” file containing the profile of downward and upward fluxes from TOA to the sea bottom, normalized to the solar irradiance at TOA.

Fluxes	
<b>Filename</b>	Predefined filename : <b>Flux.txt</b>
<b>Location</b>	Directory <i><b>Advanced_Output/</b></i> in the working folder ( <b>–OSOAA.ResRoot</b> )
<b>Content</b>	<p>First five header lines provide comments.  The following lines contain the values of fluxes.  For each line, this file provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the <b>level number (or index) k</b></li> <li>• the <b>altitude/depth of level k</b> (in m): positive value in the atmosphere, negative value in the sea</li> <li>• the <b>direct downward flux</b></li> <li>• the <b>diffuse downward flux</b></li> <li>• the <b>total downward flux</b> (Ed)</li> <li>• the <b>direct upward flux</b></li> <li>• the <b>diffuse upward flux</b></li> <li>• the <b>total upward flux</b> (Eu)</li> <li>• the <b>ratio Eu/Ed</b>: total upward flux / total downward flux</li> </ul> <p>The <b>fluxes are normalized to the solar irradiance at TOA (no unit)</b> in a similar manner as the normalization performed for the calculated normalized radiance.</p>
<b>Format</b>	Ascii file. <b>2X,I4,1X,F14.5,2X,7(2X,E14.6E3)</b>

Note: The real value of fluxes (in W/m<sup>2</sup>) can be obtained from the fluxes  $F_{OSOAA}$  delivered by OSOAA, and the extra-terrestrial solar irradiance  $E_{sun}$  (in W/m<sup>2</sup>) taken from literature by the user (i.e.,  $E_{sun}$  is not provided within OSOAA database), by:

$$F_{real} = \frac{E_{sun}}{\pi} \times F_{OSOAA}$$

Such a conversion is similar to the conversion used to obtain the real radiance from the normalized radiance delivered by the OSOAA code (see note in section 3.5.1).

### Example of Flux.txt file

Simulation at 440 nm, solar zenith angle of 30°.

Atmosphere of standard pressure (1013 mbar) with maritime aerosols ( Shettle & Fenn model , 98% relative humidity, optical thickness of 0.1 at 550 nm)

Chlorophyll concentration of 0.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Sea bottom at 15 m with an albedo of 0.3. Wind of 7 m/s at sea surface

Profile of downward and upward fluxes from TOA to the sea bottom  
for a solar extra-terrestrial irradiance at TOA equals to PI :

Level	Z (m)	Direct_Down	Diffuse_Down	Total_Down	Direct_Up	Diffuse_Up	Total_Up	Total_Up/Total_Down
0	300000.00000	0.272070E+001	0.000000E+000	0.272070E+001	0.295600E-001	0.521146E+000	0.550706E+000	0.202413E+000
1	23170.00000	0.267989E+001	0.281542E-001	0.270804E+001	0.300573E-001	0.508032E+000	0.538089E+000	0.198700E+000
2	17628.00000	0.263975E+001	0.551174E-001	0.269486E+001	0.305628E-001	0.494370E+000	0.524932E+000	0.194790E+000
3	14396.00000	0.260024E+001	0.810449E-001	0.268129E+001	0.310767E-001	0.480296E+000	0.511372E+000	0.190719E+000
4	12116.00000	0.256149E+001	0.105972E+000	0.266746E+001	0.315976E-001	0.465959E+000	0.497557E+000	0.186528E+000
5	10365.00000	0.252348E+001	0.129997E+000	0.265348E+001	0.321255E-001	0.451460E+000	0.483586E+000	0.182246E+000
6	8956.00000	0.248631E+001	0.153162E+000	0.263947E+001	0.326587E-001	0.436930E+000	0.469589E+000	0.177910E+000
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20	1180.00000	0.205650E+001	0.418120E+000	0.247462E+001	0.403792E-001	0.264905E+000	0.305284E+000	0.123366E+000
21	947.00000	0.203101E+001	0.434242E+000	0.246525E+001	0.409511E-001	0.255035E+000	0.295986E+000	0.120063E+000
22	731.00000	0.200603E+001	0.450082E+000	0.245612E+001	0.415274E-001	0.245389E+000	0.286916E+000	0.116817E+000
23	530.00000	0.198156E+001	0.465640E+000	0.244720E+001	0.421079E-001	0.235958E+000	0.278066E+000	0.113626E+000
24	342.00000	0.195752E+001	0.480956E+000	0.243848E+001	0.426939E-001	0.226720E+000	0.269414E+000	0.110484E+000
25	166.00000	0.193394E+001	0.496030E+000	0.242997E+001	0.432850E-001	0.217689E+000	0.260974E+000	0.107398E+000
26	0.00000	0.191076E+001	0.510925E+000	0.242169E+001	0.438825E-001	0.208869E+000	0.252751E+000	0.104370E+000
27	-0.00000	0.186684E+001	0.600458E+000	0.246729E+001	0.000000E+000	0.294255E+000	0.294255E+000	0.119262E+000
28	-0.00100	0.186675E+001	0.600488E+000	0.246724E+001	0.000000E+000	0.294257E+000	0.294257E+000	0.119266E+000
29	-0.19000	0.184115E+001	0.610112E+000	0.245126E+001	0.000000E+000	0.294971E+000	0.294971E+000	0.120334E+000
30	-0.38000	0.181589E+001	0.619627E+000	0.243552E+001	0.000000E+000	0.295769E+000	0.295769E+000	0.121440E+000
31	-0.57000	0.179098E+001	0.628963E+000	0.241994E+001	0.000000E+000	0.296619E+000	0.296619E+000	0.122573E+000
32	-0.76000	0.176641E+001	0.638086E+000	0.240449E+001	0.000000E+000	0.297505E+000	0.297505E+000	0.123729E+000
33	-0.95000	0.174217E+001	0.646984E+000	0.238916E+001	0.000000E+000	0.298420E+000	0.298420E+000	0.124906E+000
34	-1.14000	0.171827E+001	0.655650E+000	0.237392E+001	0.000000E+000	0.299359E+000	0.299359E+000	0.126103E+000
35	-1.33000	0.169470E+001	0.664085E+000	0.235879E+001	0.000000E+000	0.300321E+000	0.300321E+000	0.127320E+000
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### 3.5.7 Log files

The different logfiles are listed in Table 10.

All of them are optionally produced under the request of the user.

As the production of logfiles from Mie computations and interface matrices calculations are time consuming, it is suggested to produce them only if strictly necessary.

**Table 10 : List of logfiles**

Logfile parameter	Contents
<b>-OSOAA.Log</b>	The main logfile gives information on the different routines execution (input/output parameters, warnings, error cases, ...)
<b>-ANG.Log</b>	This logfile gives information about the angles computations: Gauss angles used for the phase functions and radiance calculations, solar zenith angle in the air and sea, user's angles.
<b>-PROFILE.Log</b>	This logfile gives information about the atmospheric and marine profiles computation.
<b>-AER.Log</b>	This logfile gives information about the radiative properties computation for aerosols: phase function of each elementary components, mixed-average phase function, truncation calculations, scattering and extinction cross-sections.
<b>-AER.MieLog</b>	This logfile gives the value of matrix phase function (polarized form) versus the size parameter from Mie calculations.
<b>-HYD.Log</b>	As for aerosols, this logfile gives information about the radiative properties computation for hydrosols.
<b>-HYD.MieLog</b>	As for aerosols, this logfile gives information about the Mie computations for hydrosols.
<b>-SEA.Log</b>	This logfile gives information about the calculation of interface matrices (RAA, RWW, TAW, TWA): Fresnel matrices, probability function of the waves orientation,...
<b>-SOS.Log</b>	This logfile gives information about the successive orders of scattering computation (core of the radiative transfer code).

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## 3.6 Input user files

### 3.6.1 User file for angles definition

The file defined by **-ANG.Rad.UserAngFile** contains a list of zenith angles for which the user wants to get a radiance simulation.

Its first line aims at defining if the user requires getting output radiance fields covering all the angles (Gauss angles and user's ones) or only the user's angles provided in the file:

- for all the angles (Gauss angles and user's ones) → OUTPUT\_GAUSS\_ANGLES=1
- or only for the user's angles → OUTPUT\_GAUSS\_ANGLES=0

#### Example of a **user's angles file** defined by **-ANG.Rad.UserAngFile**

In this example, only the radiance calculated for the user's angles will be provided in radiance output files (presented in section 3.5.1).

```
OUTPUT_GAUSS_ANGLES=0
20
25
30
35
40
```

The file defined by **-ANG.Mie.UserAngFile** contains a list of scattering angles for which the user wants to get a value of phase function simulations. Only the logfiles for aerosol and hydrosol computations are concerned by this addition of angles to the Gauss angles.

Note: The list of angles must include values  $\theta_{\text{user}}$  up to  $90^\circ$ .  
OSOAA adds the complementary angles  $180^\circ - \theta_{\text{user}}$ .

#### Example of a **user's angles file** defined by **-ANG.Mie.UserAngFile**

```
10
20
30
40
50
60
```

#### Important note:

**The filename for a list of user's angles must be changed if the list of angle changes.**

Indeed, Mie files and interface files (BRDF, BPDF matrices) are stored in files for which their names include the filename of user's angles. They are not recalculated if a Mie file or and interface file with the same name has already been created.





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4<sup>th</sup> line: Comments

Lines 5 to (5+NB\_LINES-1) : **ANGLE F11 -F12/F11 F22/F11 F33/F11**  
format : real values unformatted

**ANGLE** : scattering angle in degrees  
**F11** : phase function in intensity  $P_{11}$   
**-F12/F11** : ratio of functions  $-P_{12}$  and  $P_{11}$   
**F22/F11** : ratio of functions  $P_{22}$  and  $P_{11}$   
**F33/F11** : ratio of functions  $P_{33}$  and  $P_{11}$

Sign convention: the  $F_{12}$  function is negative for Rayleigh scattering. It is the same convention as in the internal OSOAA code.

The next lines are not read.

<b>Example of a user's phase function data defined by -AER.ExtData</b>				
EXTINCTION_COEF : 5.43712E-02				
SCATTERING_COEF : 5.39636E-02				
NB_LINES : 99				
Angle	F11	-F12/F11	F22/F11	F33/F11
180.00	4.190E-01	0.000E+00	1.000E+00	-1.000E+00
178.57	3.522E-01	6.297E-02	1.000E+00	-6.856E-01
176.72	3.175E-01	-5.297E-02	1.000E+00	-2.274E-01
174.86	2.848E-01	-1.160E-01	1.000E+00	-2.901E-02
•				
•				

### 3.6.4 User's profile of absorption and scattering coefficients

Users can use their own profile of absorption and scattering coefficients as obtained from in-situ measurements for example. The corresponding file is defined by **-HYD.UserProfile**.

The first 5 lines are comments.

Then, each following line of the Ascii file must contain:

- 1<sup>st</sup> column: **Depth** (in meter)  
format : float value unformatted
- 2<sup>nd</sup> column: **Hydrosols absorption coefficient** (in  $m^{-1}$ )  
format : float value unformatted
- 3<sup>rd</sup> column: **Hydrosols scattering coefficient** (in  $m^{-1}$ )  
format : float value unformatted

#### **Important warning:**

- **Do not keep any "blank" line at the end of the file.**
- The first line of data needs to be the level 0-, just below the surface (depth = 0 m).
- The maximum number of lines must be lower than CTE\_NZ\_MAX\_USER\_PROFILE (in OSOAA.h).

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Note: If the maximum depth of the user's profile is not the seabed or the depth limit calculated by the OSOAA code (which corresponds to the maximum optical thickness CTE\_SEA\_T\_LIMIT), the absorption and scattering coefficients are duplicated from the deepest layer of the user profile up to the seabed or depth limit.

<b>Example of a user's profile defined by -HYD.UserProfile</b>		
Column 1: Depth (in m)		
Column 2: Hydrosols absorption coefficient (in m-1)		
Column 3: Hydrosols scattering coefficient (in m-1)		
Comment: Test file (not realistic)		
#####		
##		
0.00	0.162278026855479	1.138898612697300
0.05	0.162278026855479	1.138898612697300
0.10	0.162278026855479	1.138898612697300
0.15	0.162278026855479	1.138898612697300
0.20	0.162278026855479	1.138898612697300
•		
•		
•		
9.95	0.162278026855479	1.138898612697300
10.00	0.162278026855479	1.138898612697300

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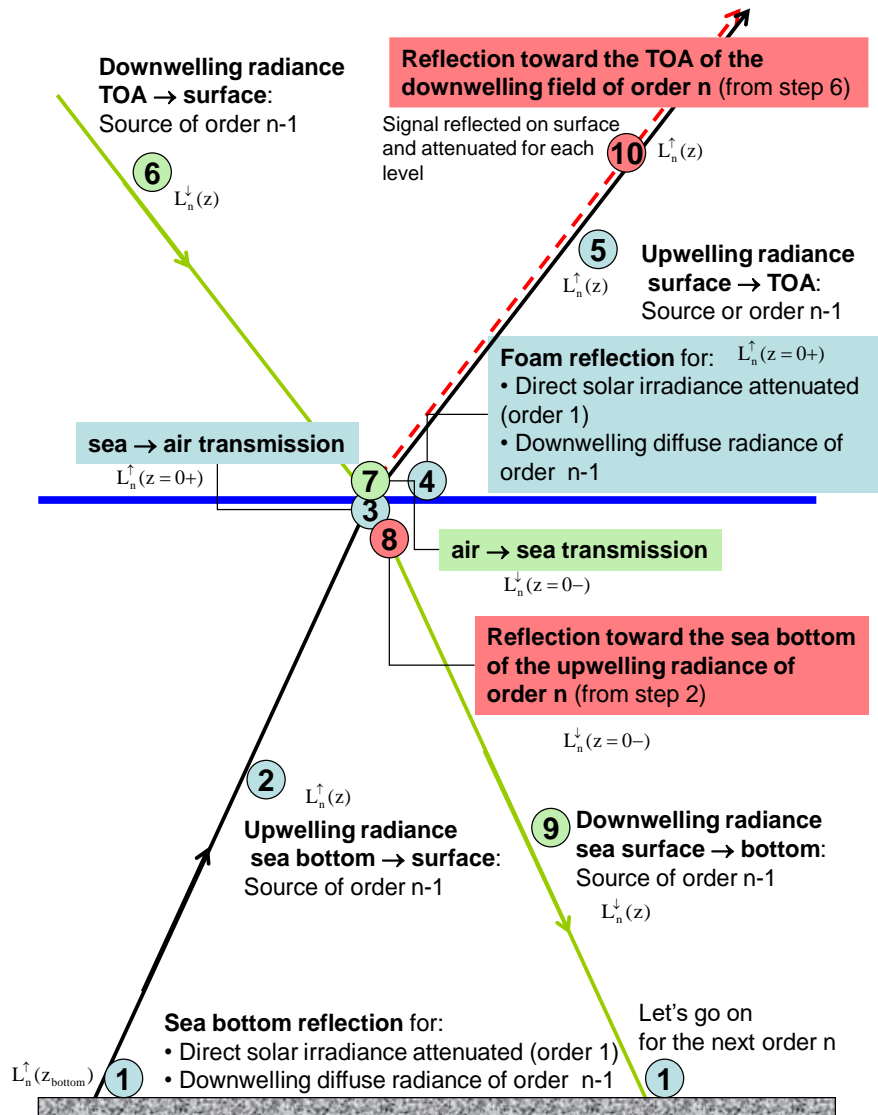
## 4. Theory and Methodology

This chapter outlines the details of the theory and equation that are used to solve the radiative transfer equation using the successive orders of scattering method within the OSOAA model.

### 4.1 Radiance computations

#### 4.1.1 Successive orders calculations

Figure 7 shows the different terms of light interaction which are modelled by OSOAA. Starting from the direct solar beam illumination, each order of scattering is successively considered by calculating all the light interactions affecting the radiance field: scattering and absorption in the sea and air environments, reflection and transmission on the sea surface.



**Figure 7 : Light interactions for the order n of successive orders**

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#### **Source functions calculation:**

Atmospheric source function:

- Scattering cores: molecules and aerosols.
- For the order 1: scattering of the direct solar beam, attenuated by the atmosphere. Calculations also include the scattering of the direct solar beam following its reflection on the surface, in case of a flat sea (if wind velocity is null).
- For the order  $n > 1$ : scattering of radiance field of order  $n-1$ .

Marine source function:

- Scattering cores: water molecules, chlorophyll and mineral-like particles.
- For the order 1: scattering of the direct solar beam, refracted in the sea and attenuated through the atmosphere and sea.
- For the order  $n > 1$ : scattering of the radiance field of order  $n-1$ .

#### **Calculation of the upwelling radiance field:**

- 1) Calculation of the **radiance reflected at the sea bottom**
  - Order 1: lambertian reflection of the direct solar beam reaching the sea bottom (refracted in the sea and attenuated through the atmosphere and sea).
  - Order  $n$ : lambertian reflection of the downwelling radiance of  $n-1$ .
- 2) Calculation of the **upwelling radiance field from the bottom to the sea surface** (level 0-, just below the surface): vertical integration of each layer contributions, throughout the marine profile.
- 3) Calculation of the **upwelling radiance transmitted by the sea → air interface** (from level 0- to level 0+, just above the sea surface)
- 4) Addition of the **foam lambertian reflection**
  - Order 1: lambertian reflection on the foam of the direct solar beam reaching the sea surface.
  - Order  $n$ : lambertian reflection on the foam of the radiance field of order  $n-1$ .
- 5) Calculation of the **upwelling radiance field from the sea surface to TOA**: vertical integration of each layer contributions, throughout the atmospheric profile.

#### **Calculation of the downwelling radiance field:**

- 6) Calculation of the **downwelling radiance field from TOA to the sea surface**: vertical integration of each layer contributions, throughout the atmospheric profile.
- 7) Calculation of **downwelling radiance transmitted by the sea surface interface** (from air to sea).

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- 8) Addition of the **reflection toward the sea bottom of the upwelling marine light** (from step 2 of the current order n)
- 9) Calculation of the **downwelling radiance field from the sea surface to the sea bottom**: vertical integration of each layer contributions, throughout the marine profile.

#### Complementary contribution to the upwelling radiance field:

- 10) Addition of the upward reflection on sea surface of the atmospheric downwelling radiance field (calculated by step 6 of current order n).

### 4.1.2 Fourier series expansion of Stokes parameters

The Stokes parameters are commonly used to characterize the state of polarization.

For an optical thickness  $\tau$  in the atmospheric or marine profile, and for a light propagation toward the direction  $(\mu, \phi)$ , we define the Stokes vector by:

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}(\tau, \mu, \phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}(\tau, \mu, \phi) \\ \mathbf{Q}(\tau, \mu, \phi) \\ \mathbf{U}(\tau, \mu, \phi) \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

for the zenith angle  $\theta$  ( $\mu = \cos \theta$ ) and the azimuth angle  $\phi$ .

Notes:

- OSOAA calculates radiance  $\mathbf{I}$  (or polarized terms  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $\mathbf{U}$ ) normalized to the extra-terrestrial solar irradiance  $E_{\text{sun}}$  by:  $\pi^* \mathbf{I} / E_{\text{sun}}$ : then their **unit is  $\text{sr}^{-1}$** .
- OSOAA does not calculate the Stokes parameter  $\mathbf{V}$ , as the ellipticity of the polarized light is generally very small in the atmosphere and ocean; thus, it is often neglected.

The Stoke vector is expanded into Fourier series of the azimuth in order to separate the variables  $\mu$  and  $\phi$ , and to make faster the calculations, by:

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}(\tau, \mu, \phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}(\tau, \mu, \phi) \\ \mathbf{Q}(\tau, \mu, \phi) \\ \mathbf{U}(\tau, \mu, \phi) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{s=0}^S (2 - \delta_{0s}) \times \begin{pmatrix} \cos(s\phi) \times \sum_n \mathbf{I}_n^s(\tau, \mu) \\ \cos(s\phi) \times \sum_n \mathbf{Q}_n^s(\tau, \mu) \\ \sin(s\phi) \times \sum_n \mathbf{U}_n^s(\tau, \mu) \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

where:

- $\mathbf{I}$ ,  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $\mathbf{U}$  are the Stokes parameters,
- $\tau$  is the optical thickness in the profile in the atmosphere or in the ocean,
- $\mu$  is the cosine the zenith angle of the propagation direction (positive or negative value),

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- $\phi$  is the azimuth angle of the propagation direction (relative to the solar azimuth),
- $s$  is the order of the Fourier series expansion,  $S$  is the maximum order.
- $n$  is the order of interaction (scattering or air/sea surface interaction with light),
- the function  $\delta_{0s} = 1$  if  $s = 0$ , otherwise  $\delta_{0s} = 0$ .

For each order  $s$  of the Fourier series expansion, OSOAA accumulates the successive orders  $n$  of interaction:

$$\bar{L}^s(\tau, \mu) = \sum_n \bar{L}_n^s(\tau, \mu) \text{ with } \bar{L}_n^s(\tau, \mu) = \begin{pmatrix} I_n^s(\tau, \mu) \\ Q_n^s(\tau, \mu) \\ U_n^s(\tau, \mu) \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

Finally, OSOAA provides the radiance field for the azimuth angle  $\phi$  by applying equation (3).

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## 4.2 Radiative properties of particles

The radiative properties of particles depend on their size distributions and refractive indices (related to their chemical constitution).

Starting with a description of the size distributions supported by OSOAA to model aerosols and hydrosols, this chapter presents the calculations performed by the software to simulate the radiative properties of particles which are required to solve the radiative transfer equation (single scattering albedo, matrix phase function). Some inner mathematical processes are also presented, such as the phase function truncation.

### 4.2.1 Particle size distributions

The size distribution of aerosols and hydrosols is defined by a function  $N(r)$ . The value  $N(r).dr$  is the number of particles with a radius between  $[r, r+dr]$  by unit volume (in  $\mu\text{m}^{-3}$ ).

#### 4.2.1.1 Aerosol model definition

The aerosol size distribution can be modelled by mono-modal or multi-modal models.

- **Junge's law model:**

$$\begin{cases} r \leq r_{\min} : N_{\text{aer}}^{\text{Junge}}(r) = r_{\min}^{-\nu} \\ r_{\min} < r \leq r_{\max} : N_{\text{aer}}^{\text{Junge}}(r) = r^{-\nu} \\ r > r_{\max} : N_{\text{aer}}^{\text{Junge}}(r) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

with

- $r_{\min}$  : the minimum radius of aerosols ( $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user : **AER.MMD.JD.rmin**.
- $r_{\max}$  : the maximum radius of aerosols ( $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user : **AER.MMD.JD.rmax**.  
→ or, default and recommended value: 50  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  
CTE\_DEFAULT\_AER\_JUNGE\_RMAX in the OSOAA.h file.
- $\nu$  : the slope of the Junge's law  
→ defined by the user : **AER.MMD.JD.slope**.

Notes:

- **Assumption of a constant number of particles for lowest radii:**  
For aerosols, we introduce a constant value for  $r \leq r_{\min}$  rather than for hydrosols we assume there is no particle with a radius lower to  $r_{\min}$ .
- **The slope  $\nu = 3.0$  is a singular value:**  
If this value  $\nu = 3.0$  is entered by the user, the OSOAA code must adjust this value by adding  $\varepsilon_{\nu} = 0.05$  (parameter CTE\_JUNGE\_SLOPE\_COR in OSOAA.h).

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- **Log-Normal size Distribution (LND):**

$$N^{LND}(r) = \frac{1}{r \cdot \sigma \cdot \sqrt{2\pi}} \times \exp\left(-\frac{\ln^2(r/r_m)}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (6)$$

with

- $r_m$  : the modal radius of the size distribution ( $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user : **AER.MMD.LNDradius**.
- $\sigma$  : the standard deviation of the size distribution ( $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user : **AER.MMD.LNDvar**.

- The **WMO models**:

From the elementary components of the WMO (« Dust Like », « Water Soluble », « Oceanic », « Soot »), it is possible to simulate predefined models (**AER.WMO.Model**: continental, maritime, urban) or to simulate a user model defined by mixing the different components (**AER.WMO.DL**, **AER.WMO.WS**, **AER.WMO.OC**, **AER.WMO.SO**: ratios between 0 and 1)

- The **Shettle & Fenn models**:

The Shettle & Fenn models allow simulating standard aerosol models (**AER.SF.Model**: tropospheric, urban, maritime or coastal) which take into account the sensitivity of the size distribution and refractive index to the relative air humidity (**AER.SF.RH** in percents).

These predefined models are based on a mixture of elementary components (Small rural, large rural, small urban, large urban, oceanic particles).

- The **bimodal Log-Normal models**:

The bimodal Log-Normal distributions simulate aerosol models composed of two kinds of different particles: different chemical composition (refractive indexes) and different size distributions (modelled by LND). They distinguish a coarse and a fine modes of particles.

The volume size distribution of bimodal models is given by:

$$\frac{dV(r)}{d\ln r} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{C_{v,i}}{\sigma_i \sqrt{2\pi}} \times \exp\left[\frac{-\ln^2(r/r_i)}{2\sigma_i^2}\right] \quad (7)$$

with :

- $C_{v,i}$ : the volume concentration for mode i particles (in  $\mu\text{m}^3 / \mu\text{m}^2$ ).  
→ defined by the user: **AER.BMD.CoarseVC** for the coarse mode and **AER.BMD.FineVC** for the fine mode, in case of using a user definition of the volume concentrations (**AER.BMD.VCdef** = 1).



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- $r_i$ : the modal radius of the mode i LND (in  $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user: **AER.BMD.CM.SDradius** for the coarse mode and **AER.BMD.FM.SDradius** for the fine mode.
- $\sigma_i$ : the standard deviation of the mode i LND.  
→ defined by the user: **AER.BMD.CM.SDvar** for the coarse mode and **AER.BMD.FM.SDvar** for the fine mode.

The ratio of “coarse mode” and “fine mode” can be defined in two ways:

- The coefficients are provided by the user (volume concentration for each mode of particles): option **AER.BMD.VCdef** = 1.
- The coefficients are estimated from the ratio of the coarse mode optical thickness on the total aerosol optical thickness (combining the two modes): **AER.BMD.VCdef** = 2.

$$r(\lambda_{\text{ref}}) = \frac{\tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{C}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})}{\tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{tot}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})} \quad (8)$$

→ defined by the user: **AER.BMD.RAOT**.

with  $\tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{tot}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}}) = \tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{F}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}}) + \tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{C}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})$  for  $\lambda_{\text{ref}}$  the reference wavelength for the aerosol optical thickness.

From the size distribution and refractive index of each mode, OSOAA calculates the fine and coarse scattering cross-sections ( $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{\text{F}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})$ ,  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{\text{C}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})$ ) and extinction cross-sections ( $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{\text{F}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})$ ,  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{\text{C}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})$ ), as explained in section 4.2.2.

$$\text{Then, it calculates } \begin{cases} C_{V,C} = \frac{r(\lambda_{\text{ref}}) \times \tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{tot}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})}{\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{\text{C}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})} \\ C_{V,F} = \frac{(1 - r(\lambda_{\text{ref}})) \times \tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{tot}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})}{\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{\text{F}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})} \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

Finally, these coefficients are normalized:

$$\alpha_{\text{F}} = \frac{C_{V,F}}{C_{V,F} + C_{V,C}} \text{ and } \alpha_{\text{C}} = \frac{C_{V,C}}{C_{V,F} + C_{V,C}} \quad (10)$$

#### 4.2.1.2 Hydrosol model definition

The size distribution of scattering particles in the sea water (mineral-like particles or phytoplankton) is modelled by a main mode following a Junge’s law model and optional secondary and tertiary modes following Log-Normal distributions.

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Each mode is characterized by a refractive index and its own size distribution parameters.

- **Junge's law model:** Main mode

$$\begin{cases} r \leq r_{\min} : N_{\text{hyd}}^{\text{Junge}}(r) = r_{\min}^{-\nu} \\ r_{\min} < r \leq r_{\max} : N_{\text{hyd}}^{\text{Junge}}(r) = r^{-\nu} \\ r > r_{\max} : N_{\text{hyd}}^{\text{Junge}}(r) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

with

- $r_{\min}$  : the minimum radius of hydrosols ( $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user : **PHYTO.JD.rmin**.  
→ or, default and recommended value: 0.01  $\mu\text{m}$   
(CTE\_DEFAULT\_HYD\_JUNGE\_RMIN in the OSOAA.h file)
- $r_{\max}$  : the maximum radius of hydrosols ( $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user : **PHYTO.JD.rmax**.  
→ or, default and recommended value: 200  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  
(CTE\_DEFAULT\_HYD\_JUNGE\_RMAX in the OSOAA.h file).
- $\nu$  : the slope of the Junge's law  
→ defined by the user : **HYD.MMD.JD.slope**.

Notes:

- **Assumption of a constant number of particles for lowest radii:**  
For aerosols, we introduce a constant value for  $r \leq r_{\min}$  rather than for hydrosols we assume there is no particle with a radius lower than  $r_{\min}$ . Indeed, it is well known that the number of hydrosols decreases for smallest particles. But, as it cannot be measured, it is better to assume the number of very small particles is null, as the scattering tends toward the molecular scattering case.
- **The slope  $\nu = 3.0$  is a singular value:**  
If this value  $\nu = 3.0$  is entered by the user, the OSOAA code must adjust this value by adding  $\epsilon_{\nu} = 0.05$  (parameter CTE\_JUNGE\_SLOPE\_COR in OSOAA.h).

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- **Log-Normal size Distribution (LND):** secondary and tertiary modes (optional)

$$N_i^{\text{LND}}(r) = \frac{1}{r \cdot \sigma_i \cdot \sqrt{2\pi}} \times \exp \left[ \frac{-\ln^2(r/r_i)}{2\sigma_i^2} \right] \quad (12)$$

with

- $r_i$  : the modal radius of the size distribution for mode  $i$  ( $\mu\text{m}$ ).  
→ defined by the user : **PHYTO.LND.SM.SDradius** and **PHYTO.LND.TM.SDradius**, respectively for the secondary and tertiary modes.
- $\sigma_i$  : the standard deviation of the size distribution for mode  $i$ .  
→ defined by the user : **PHYTO.LND.SM.SDvar** and **PHYTO.LND.TM.SDvar**, respectively for the secondary and tertiary modes.

The relative ratio of the modes is given by:

$$N(r) = \alpha_1^{\text{Junge}} \times N_1^{\text{Junge}}(r) + \sum_{C=2}^3 \alpha_i^{\text{LND}} \times N_i^{\text{LND}}(r) \quad (13)$$

with  $\alpha_i = N_i / N_{\text{tot}}$  : the relative number of particles for the mode  $i$ , expressed as the ratio between the number of particles of the mode  $i$  and the total number of particles.

These rates are provided by the user (**PHYTO.JD.rate**, **PHYTO.LND.SM.rate**, **PHYTO.LND.TM.rate** for the phytoplankton; **SED.JD.rate**, **SED.LND.SM.rate**, **SED.LND.TM.rate** for the Mineral-Like particles).

They respect:

$$\sum_{C=1}^{\text{Nb Modes}} \alpha_C = 1 \quad (14)$$

#### 4.2.2 Phase function matrices and cross sections calculation

Let's note  $\tilde{L}_\lambda(\tau, \mu', \phi') = \begin{pmatrix} I_\lambda(\tau, \mu', \phi') \\ Q_\lambda(\tau, \mu', \phi') \\ U_\lambda(\tau, \mu', \phi') \end{pmatrix}$  an incident beam toward the direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  at the

optical depth  $\tau$ , expressed as a Stokes' vector.

The scattering of  $\tilde{L}_\lambda(\tau, \mu', \phi')$  to the direction  $(\mu, \phi)$  is given by :

$$d\tilde{L}_\lambda(\tau, \mu, \phi) = \frac{\omega_\lambda(\tau)}{4\pi} \cdot \tilde{P}_\lambda(\tau, \mu, \phi, \mu', \phi') \tilde{L}_\lambda(\tau, \mu', \phi') \cdot \frac{d\tau}{\mu} \quad (15)$$

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- The single scattering albedo,  $\omega_\lambda(\tau)$ , is informative on the ratio of scattered energy.

It is related to the scattering and extinction cross-sections by:

$$\omega_\lambda(\tau) = \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^\lambda(\tau)}{\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^\lambda(\tau)} \quad (16)$$

- The phase matrix,  $\tilde{\mathbf{P}}_\lambda(\tau, \mu, \phi, \mu', \phi')$ , is informative on the spatial distribution of the scattered light, for intensity and polarization. For a frame linked to the scattering plane, it can be expressed by:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}_\lambda(\Theta) = \begin{pmatrix} P_{11}(\Theta) & P_{12}(\Theta) & 0 \\ P_{12}(\Theta) & P_{22}(\Theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & P_{33}(\Theta) \end{pmatrix} \quad (17)$$

applied to the Stokes' parameters (I, Q, U), where  $P_{11}(\Theta)$  is the intensity phase function and other terms are related to the polarization.

Note: For spherical particles  $P_{22} = P_{11}$ .

These radiative parameters must be calculated for each component  $c$  of the environment ( $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)}$ ,  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{(c)}$  and  $\mathbf{P}_c(\Theta)$ ), in order to be able to estimate its global scattering properties.

They are considered constant throughout the atmospheric and maritime profiles, but their amounts (related to their optical thicknesses) vary with the different layers of the profiles.

#### 4.2.2.1 Radiative properties of an individual component

Inner calculations of OSOAA assume particles are spherical, which allows applying the Mie theory [DR10] to compute the radiative properties of a component.

Each component of the environment is defined by its chemical constitution (refractive index) and size distribution.

The refractive index of a component is :  $m = m_r + i \times m_i$  (where  $m_i < 0$  is related to the particle absorption). This index is defined relative to air for aerosols and relative to seawater for hydrosols.

The Mie theory allows calculating the radiative properties of a spherical particle, for a given refractive index  $m$ , as a function of the size parameter  $\alpha = 2\pi r/\lambda$ , where  $r$  is the particle radius and  $\lambda$  is the wavelength of the incident light:

- the Mie extinction efficiency factor :  $Q_{\text{ext}}(m, \alpha)$ ,
- the Mie scattering efficiency factor :  $Q_{\text{sca}}(m, \alpha)$ ,

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- the Mie phase functions versus the scattering angle  $\Theta$  :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, \alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} P_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, \alpha) & Q_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, \alpha) & 0 \\ Q_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, \alpha) & P_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, \alpha) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & T_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, \alpha) \end{pmatrix} \quad (18)$$

OSOAA computes these coefficients and functions for a set of values of the size parameter  $\alpha$  :

$$\begin{array}{ll} \alpha \leq 0,1 & \Rightarrow \Delta\alpha = 0,0001 \\ 0,1 < \alpha \leq 1,0 & \Rightarrow \Delta\alpha = 0,001 \\ 1,0 < \alpha \leq 10 & \Rightarrow \Delta\alpha = 0,01 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ll} 10 < \alpha \leq 30 & \Rightarrow \Delta\alpha = 0,05 \\ 30 < \alpha \leq 100 & \Rightarrow \Delta\alpha = 0,1 \\ 100 < \alpha & \Rightarrow \Delta\alpha = 1,0 \end{array}$$

Accounting for the size distribution of the component,  $\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{r})$ , and for a given wavelength,  $\lambda$ , we can estimate from Mie computations:

- The extinction coefficient (in  $\mu\text{m}^{-1}$ ) and the extinction cross section (in  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ) :

$$\sigma_{\text{ext}}(\lambda) = \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \pi \cdot r^2 \cdot Q_{\text{ext}}(m, r, \lambda) \cdot N(r) \cdot dr \quad (19.a)$$

and

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}(\lambda) = \sigma_{\text{ext}}(\lambda) / \int_{r=0}^{\infty} N(r) \cdot dr$$

- The scattering coefficient (in  $\mu\text{m}^{-1}$ ) and the scattering cross section (in  $\mu\text{m}^2$ )

$$\sigma_{\text{sca}}(\lambda) = \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \pi \cdot r^2 \cdot Q_{\text{sca}}(m, r, \lambda) \cdot N(r) \cdot dr \quad (19.b)$$

and

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}(\lambda) = \sigma_{\text{sca}}(\lambda) / \int_{r=0}^{\infty} N(r) \cdot dr$$

♦  $N(r) \cdot dr$  is the number of particles with a radius between  $[r, r+dr]$  by volume (in  $\mu\text{m}^{-3}$ ).

♦  $\pi \cdot r^2 \cdot Q_e(m, \alpha)$  is the extinction cross section for a particle of radius  $r$  and for the wavelength  $\lambda$  (in  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ).

- We then derive the single scattering albedo by:

$$\omega_0(\lambda) = \frac{\sigma_{\text{sca}}(\lambda)}{\sigma_{\text{ext}}(\lambda)} \quad (20)$$

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- We also calculate the functions of the phase matrix, expressed for the scattering plane as a reference plane for the frame:

$$P_{11}(\lambda, \Theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{sca}}(\lambda)} \times \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \pi \cdot r^2 \cdot Q_{\text{sca}}(m, r, \lambda) \cdot P_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, r, \lambda) \cdot N(r) \cdot dr \quad (21.a)$$

$$P_{12}(\lambda, \Theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{sca}}(\lambda)} \times \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \pi \cdot r^2 \cdot Q_{\text{sca}}(m, r, \lambda) \cdot Q_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, r, \lambda) \cdot N(r) \cdot dr \quad (21.b)$$

$$P_{33}(\lambda, \Theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{sca}}(\lambda)} \times \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \pi \cdot r^2 \cdot Q_{\text{sca}}(m, r, \lambda) \cdot T_{\text{mie}}(\Theta, m, r, \lambda) \cdot N(r) \cdot dr \quad (21.c)$$

The probability for a scattering toward the scattering angle  $\Theta$ , into the solid angle  $d\Omega$ , is given by  $P_{11}(\Theta) \cdot d\Omega / 4\pi$ .

The phase function is normalized in order to get:  $\iint_{\text{Space}} P_{11}(\Theta) \cdot d\Omega / 4\pi = 1$

#### 4.2.2.2 Radiative properties of a particle mixture

Let's consider an element of volume including N particles of different components.

We note  $N_c$  the number of particles for the component c and define the coefficient  $\alpha_c$  by:

$$N_c = \alpha_c \times N \quad (22)$$

The radiative properties of each elementary component are:

- the extinction and scattering cross-sections  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{(c)}$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)}$ .
- the phase matrix  $P_c(\Theta)$  of the size distribution c.

The radiative properties of the mixture can be calculated from the radiative properties of the elementary components and from coefficients  $\alpha_c$ :

- **Single scattering albedo of the mixture:**

The extinction and scattering cross-sections  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}$  are:

$$\begin{cases} N \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}} = \sum_c N_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)} \\ N \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}} = \sum_c N_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{(c)} \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

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Then, the single scattering albedo is:

$$\omega_0 = \frac{N \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}}{N \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}} = \frac{\sum_c N_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)}}{\sum_c N_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{(c)}} \quad (24)$$

$$\text{also: } \omega_0 = \frac{\sum_c \alpha_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)}}{\sum_c \alpha_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{(c)}} \quad (25)$$

▪ **Phase matrix of the mixture:**

The phase function of the mixture is given by:

$$N \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}} \times p_{11}(\Theta) = \sum_c N_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)} \times p_{11}^{(c)}(\Theta) \quad (26)$$

$$\text{also: } p_{11}(\Theta) = \frac{\sum_c \alpha_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)} \times p_{11}^{(c)}(\Theta)}{\sum_c \alpha_c \times \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{(c)}} \quad (27)$$

There is a similar relation for functions  $P_{22}(\Theta)$  and  $P_{33}(\Theta)$  of the phase matrix.

For numerical purpose, it is convenient to expand the phase functions into Legendre functions. Then, OSOAA finally expresses the matrix phase functions by a set of coefficients,  $\alpha_k$ ,  $\beta_k$ ,  $\gamma_k$ ,  $\delta_k$  and  $\xi_k$ , from expansions into generalized Legendre functions. [DR9].

▪ **Refractive index of the mixture:**

$$\langle m_r \rangle = \sum_{c=1,3} \alpha_c \times m_{r,c} \quad (28)$$

From an empirical approach, we estimate the mean refractive index of a particle mixture by weighting the refractive index of each component by its relative amount of particles.

This estimate is useful to calculate the scattering coefficient profile of Mineral-Like particles (see §4.3.3.4).

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### 4.2.3 Phase function truncation

For large particles, the forward peak of the phase function can be very strong, in a cone of a few degrees aperture. In order to reduce the expansion of the phase function and perform faster simulations, a phase function truncation can be applied.

As this phase function truncation changes the spatial distribution of the scattered energy, in the forward direction, the other radiative parameters must be adjusted in order to preserve the consistency of the radiative transfer calculation.

By default, the truncation procedure is applied for aerosols and for marine particles (phytoplankton and Mineral-Like particles). It can sometimes be cancelled for aerosols but not for marine particles which are always large particles.

For numerical computations, the phase function expansion in the frame of Legendre functions can be limited to a maximum order  $L$  which depends on the kind of scattering matter:

- For **molecular scattering**,  $L = 2$ .
- For **aerosols or hydrosols scattering**,  $L$  is selected by a threshold  $\varepsilon$  for which  $\beta_{L+1} < \varepsilon$ . This can lead to a very high expansion order in case of large particles for which the phase function presents a strong forward peak. In order to reduce the maximum order  $L$ , we can consider that the energy scattered toward the forward direction is simply transmitted. This is equivalent to reduce the phase function forward peak.

Let's call  $\Theta_1$  and  $\Theta_2$  the scattering angles for which a delta approximation of the phase function is applied. By default, OSOAA uses  $\cos \Theta_1 = 0.8$  ( $\Theta_1 \approx 37^\circ$ ) and  $\cos \Theta_2 = 0.94$  ( $\Theta_2 \approx 20^\circ$ ), parameters CTE\_AER\_MU1\_TRONCA and CTE\_AER\_MU2\_TRONCA in the OSOAA.h file. The phase function is truncated for angles  $\Theta < \Theta_2$  by the function:

$$\log[p_{tr}(\Theta)] = AA \times \Theta + B \quad (29)$$

$$\text{with } \begin{cases} AA = \frac{\log[p(\Theta_2)] - \log[p(\Theta_1)]}{\Theta_2 - \Theta_1} \\ B = \frac{\Theta_2 \times \log[p(\Theta_1)] - \Theta_1 \times \log[p(\Theta_2)]}{\Theta_2 - \Theta_1} \end{cases} \quad (30)$$

Therefore, the truncated phase function is:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Si } \Theta < \Theta_2 \Rightarrow p_{tr}(\Theta) = 10^{\log[p(\Theta_2)] + \frac{\Theta - \Theta_2}{\Theta_2 - \Theta_1} \times (\log[p(\Theta_2)] - \log[p(\Theta_1)])} \\ \text{Si } \Theta \geq \Theta_2 \Rightarrow p_{tr}(\Theta) = p(\Theta) \end{cases} \quad (31)$$



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The polarized phase functions are adjusted by the following relation:

$$\begin{cases} P_{12_{tr}}(\Theta) = P_{12}(\Theta) \times [P_{tr}(\Theta)/P(\Theta)] \\ P_{33_{tr}}(\Theta) = P_{33}(\Theta) \times [P_{tr}(\Theta)/P(\Theta)] \end{cases} \quad (32)$$

The coefficients associated to the phase matrix expansion [ $\alpha(k)$ ,  $\beta(k)$ ,  $\delta(k)$ ,  $\gamma(k)$  and  $\xi(k)$ ] are then calculated from these truncated functions.

The optical thickness and single scattering albedo of the atmospheric and marine layers must be adjusted in order to unchange the global radiative properties by using the truncated phase functions.

The truncation coefficient F gives the ratio of energy which is not scattered when applying the phase function truncation:

$$F = \iint_{\text{espace}} [p(\Theta) - p_{tr}(\Theta)] \frac{d\omega}{4\pi} \quad \text{also:} \quad F = \frac{1}{2} \times \int_0^\pi [p(\Theta) - p_{tr}(\Theta)] \sin\Theta . d\Theta \quad (33)$$

with  $p(\Theta)$  the original normalized phase function and  $p_{tr}(\Theta)$  the truncated one.

We get:

- The extinction optical thickness, adjusted to the phase function truncation:

$$\tau_{ext}^{tr} = \tau_{ext} \times (1 - \omega_0 . F) \quad (34.a)$$

- The scattering optical thickness, adjusted to the phase function truncation:

$$\tau_{sca}^{tr} = \tau_{ext}^{tr} \times \omega_0^{tr} \quad (34.b)$$

$$\text{or also: } \tau_{sca}^{tr} = \tau_{sca} \times (1 - F) \quad (34.c)$$

Note: A similar formulation is available for the scattering coefficient  $\sigma_{sca}^{tr}$  (also called  $b^{tr}$  in the marine environment):

$$\sigma_{sca}^{tr} = \sigma_{sca} \times (1 - F) \quad (34.d)$$

- The single scattering albedo, adjusted to the phase function truncation:

$$\omega_0^{tr} = \omega_0 \times \left( \frac{1 - F}{1 - \omega_0 . F} \right) \quad (34.e)$$

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- The truncated and normalized phase functions:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_{tr}^{norma}(\Theta) = \frac{P_{tr}(\Theta)}{1-F} \\ P_{12tr}^{norma}(\Theta) = \frac{P_{12tr}(\Theta)}{1-F} \\ P_{33tr}^{norma}(\Theta) = \frac{P_{33tr}(\Theta)}{1-F} \end{array} \right. \quad (34.f)$$

$\beta_k$  coefficients of the expansion into Legendre polynomials (for a maximum order of the development L) become  $\beta_k^{tr}$  with  $\beta_k = (2k+1)F + (1-F)\beta_k^{tr}$  (for a maximum order  $L^* < L$ ).

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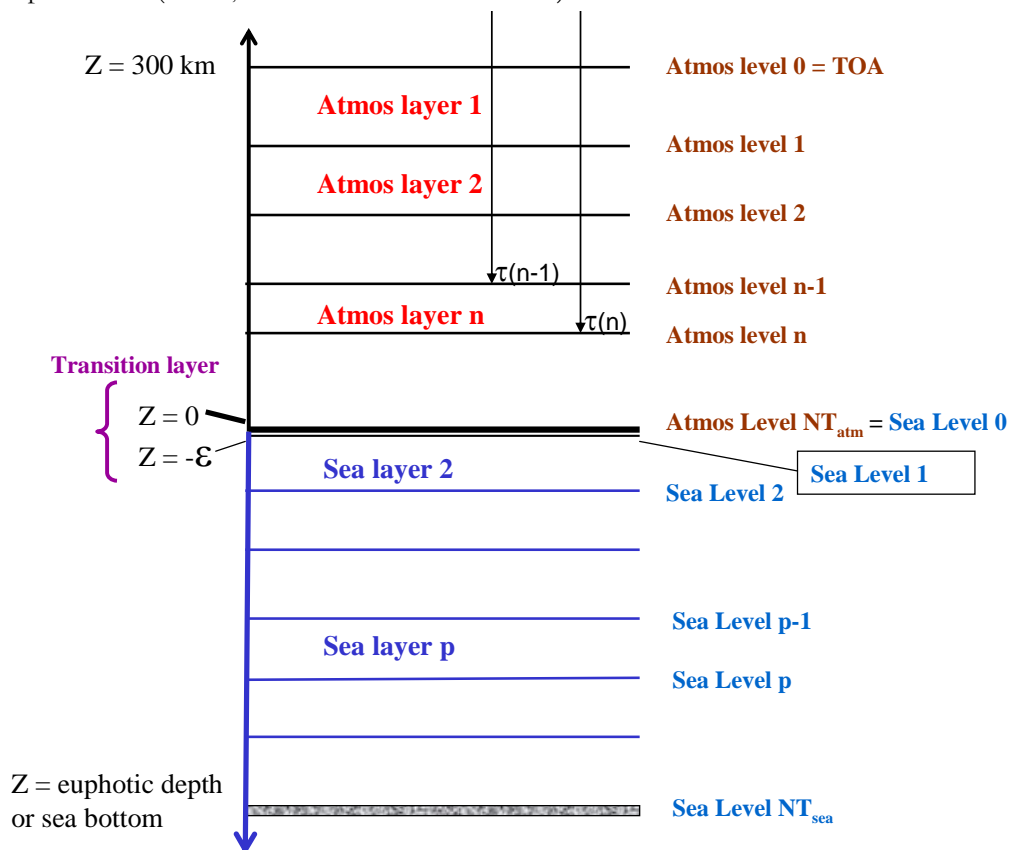
## 4.3 Atmosphere and sea profiles definition

The atmospheric and marine vertical profiles describe the evolving of the extinction optical thickness from TOA to the bottom of sea. They also provide the mixing rate of components located in the environment.

This chapter presents the methods applied by OSOAA to define these profiles.

### 4.3.1 Atmospheric and marine profiles description

The atmospheric and marine profiles are not generated versus the altitude or depth but versus the optical thickness, which is much more convenient for radiative transfer calculations (Figure 8). The stronger absorption in the sea requires a higher number of levels for the discretization of the sea vertical profile (CTE\_NT\_SEA in the OSOAA.h file, called  $NT_{sea}$  below) than for the atmospheric one ( $NT_{atm}$ , CTE\_NT\_ATM in OSOAA.h).



**Figure 8 : Atmosphere and sea profiles discretization**

From the optical thickness of each component for each level, OSOAA calculates the mixing rate of components in each layer  $n$  (between levels  $n-1$  and  $n$ ) in term of scattering contribution in the layer.

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This information is used by OSOAA to calculate the global phase function of each layer. Indeed, from the scattering mixing rate and the phase matrix of each component, the overall phase matrix can be expressed by:

$$\omega_0(\tau) \times \tilde{P}(\tau, \Theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N pc(i, \tau) \times \tilde{P}_i(\Theta) \quad (35)$$

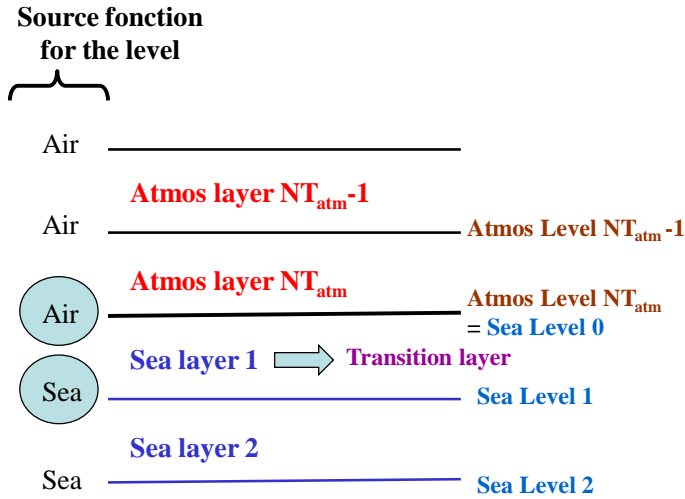
with

- $\omega_0(\tau)$ : the overall single scattering albedo at the level of optical thickness  $\tau$
- $pc(i, \tau)$ : the contribution of the component  $i$  to the scattering for the optical thickness  $\tau$  (scattering mixing rate of component  $i$ )  
Note: the single scattering albedo of each components is included in  $pc(i, \tau)$  as it expresses a mixing rate related to the scattering.
- $\tilde{P}_i(\Theta)$  : the phase matrix of the component  $i$  (which is assumed to be independent of the optical thickness)

For each level  $n$ , the phase function characterises the scattering properties of the layer  $n$  just above.

Notes:

- The atmospheric components simulated by OSOAA are molecules and aerosols. OSOAA does not take into account the gaseous absorption.
- A fine transition layer is defined as the first layer of the sea profile (i.e., entrance of the light into the ocean).



It allows avoiding numerical troubles on the vertical integration of radiance due to the environment change (because of the quick variation of the scattering source functions between the last atmospheric level and the first maritime one, as shown on Figure 9).

The optical thickness of this transition layer is defined by CTE\_TRANS\_OPT\_THICKNESS (parameter in the OSOAA.h file).

**Figure 9 : Transition layer between atmosphere and sea**

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### 4.3.2 Atmospheric optical thickness profile

The molecular scattering depends on the atmospheric pressure profile and the wavelength. The profile of pressure is modelled by an exponential decrease versus the altitude, characterized by the height scale  $h_{\text{mol}}$  (**-AP.HR**, in km, typically 8 km). The molecular optical thickness for a given altitude  $z$  and for the wavelength  $\lambda$  of radiance simulation, is then:

$$\tau_{\text{mol}}(z) = \tau_{\text{mol}}^{\text{surf}} \times \exp(-z / h_{\text{mol}}) \quad (36)$$

The molecular optical thickness at ground level  $\tau_{\text{mol}}^{\text{surf}}$  is provided by the user (**-AP.MOT**) or calculated from the atmospheric pressure (**-AP.Pressure**) by the Hansen & Travis formulation [DR7]:

$$\tau_{\text{mol}}^{\text{surf}} = \frac{P}{P_0} \times \left( \frac{84,35}{\lambda^4} + \frac{-1,225}{\lambda^5} + \frac{1,4}{\lambda^6} \right) \times 10^{-4} \quad (37)$$

where

- $\lambda$  is the wavelength (in  $\mu\text{m}$ ) **-OSOAA.Wa**
- $P$  is the atmospheric pressure (in mb) **-AP.Pressure**
- $P_0$  is the standard atmospheric pressure (parameter CTE\_DEFAULT\_PRESSURE in the OSOAA.h file: 1013 mb).

The aerosol optical thickness profile is defined following the same model:

$$\tau_{\text{aer}}(\lambda, z) = \tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{surf}}(\lambda) \times \exp(-z / h_{\text{aer}}) \quad (38)$$

where

- $h_{\text{aer}}$  is the aerosol scale height (in km) **-AP.HA**
- $\tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{surf}}(\lambda)$  is the total aerosol optical thickness for the wavelength  $\lambda$  (defined for the radiance simulation).

This AOT is calculated from the reference AOT  $\tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{surf}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})$ , defined by the user (**AER.AOTref**) for a reference wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ref}}$  (**AER.Waref**), by using the ratio of the extinction coefficients for these two wavelengths:

$$\tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{surf}}(\lambda) = \tau_{\text{aer}}^{\text{surf}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}}) \times \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{aer}}^{\text{ext}}(\lambda)}{\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{aer}}^{\text{ext}}(\lambda_{\text{ref}})} \quad (39)$$

The extinction coefficients are calculated from the aerosol model parameters.

OSOAA calculates both the profile of the total extinction optical thickness and the profile of scattering mixing rate for molecules and aerosols. The file content and format are presented in section §3.5.3 (page 67).

The **total extinction optical thickness** for each atmospheric level  $p$  is:

$$\tau_{\text{tot}}(p) = \tau_{\text{mol}}[z(p)] + \tau_{\text{aer}}[z(p)] \quad (40)$$

by cumulating the optical thickness of molecules and aerosols.

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The **scattering mixing rate of the molecules and aerosols** for each level  $p$  is:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} pc_{sca}^{ray}(p) = \frac{\tau_{mol} [z(p)] / h_{mol}}{\tau_{mol} [z(p)] / h_{mol} + \tau_{aer} [z(p)] / h_{aer}} \\ pc_{sca}^{aer}(p) = \frac{\omega_0^{aer} \times \tau_{aer} [z(p)] / h_{aer}}{\tau_{mol} [z(p)] / h_{mol} + \tau_{aer} [z(p)] / h_{aer}} \end{array} \right. \quad (41)$$

These mixing rates are used to calculate the mixture-averaged phase function, according to equation (35).

Note: OSOAA does not take into account for atmospheric gaseous absorption, but it simulates the aerosol absorption (relying on the imaginary part of their refractive index).

### 4.3.3 Marine optical thickness profile: use of predefined models in OSOAA

Scattering and absorption in the sea water are due to many contributors: the water molecules, phytoplankton, mineral-like particles, yellow substance and detritus (dead phytoplankton particles).

As for the atmosphere, the radiative characterization of the marine environment is provided by its single scattering albedo and its phase function (including the polarization) throughout the optical thickness profile. Hydrosols (phytoplankton and mineral-like particles) can be modelled by a size distribution and a refractive index correlated to their chemical composition. OSOAA also can use experimental phase function measurements and scattering coefficients of hydrosols.

#### 4.3.3.1 Sea depth

The user can define the sea depth (**-SEA.Depth**, in meters).

If it is not defined by the user, the euphotic depth will be used from Morel tabulated data correlated to the chlorophyll concentration at sea surface (Table 11): CTE\_FIC\_EUPH\_DEPTH file defined in OSOAA.h.

Note: a maximum value of the sea optical thickness, at the wavelength for radiance simulation, is defined by the parameter CTE\_SEA\_T\_LIMIT (defined in OSOAA.h). If the optical thickness for the sea depth is higher than this threshold, the sea optical thickness profile is calculated till its limit value (30 is suggested).

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**Table 11 : Relationship between the euphotic depth and the chlorophyll concentration at sea surface for case 1 waters (Morel, 1988 [DR12])**

Chl (mg.m <sup>-3</sup> )	Ze <sub>u</sub> (m)	
0.00	183.0	
0.01	153.0	
0.03	129.0	
0.05	115.0	
0.10	95.0	
0.20	75.0	
0.30	64.0	
0.50	52.0	
1.00	39.0	
2.00	29.0	
3.00	24.0	
5.00	19.0	
10.00	14.0	
20.00	10.0	
30.00	8.0	

The euphotic depth is estimated from the surface concentration of chlorophyll, by using tabulated data available for case 1 sea waters (Morel, 1988 [DR12]).

The provided file (OSOAA\_SEA\_EUPH\_DEPTH.txt) is located in the repertory  $\${OSOAA\_ROOT}\backslash\text{fic}$ . It is defined by the parameter CTE\_FIC\_EUPH\_DEPTH. Its contents are presented in Table 11.

A linearly interpolation is applied to get the euphotic depth corresponding to the user's defined value of the chlorophyll concentration at sea surface (**PHYTO.Chl**)

#### 4.3.3.2 Sea molecule profile

The **sea molecular scattering coefficient** is calculated by the Morel's model (1974) [DR11] :

$$b_w(\lambda) = 0,00288 \times \left( \frac{\lambda}{500} \right)^{-4,32} \quad (42)$$

where  $\lambda$  is the wavelength of light in air (in nm).

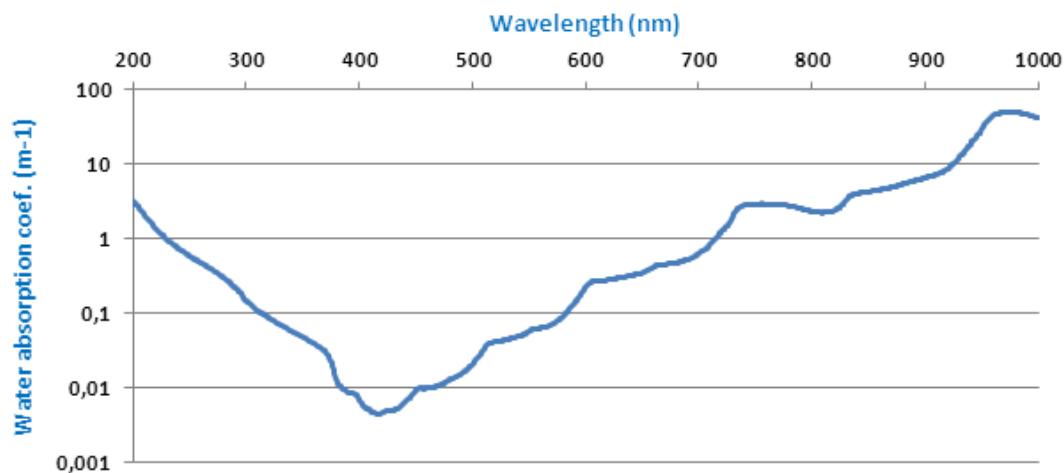
The **sea molecular absorption coefficient** is calculated by OSOAA from tabulated data between 200 nm to 2449 nm: CTE\_FIC\_MOL\_SPECTRAL\_DATA file defined in OSOAA.h (see [Figure 10](#)):

- Pope & Fry (1997) data from 380 to 730 nm [DR13],
- Kou et al. (1993) data from 730 to 2449 nm [DR8]
- Smith & Baker (1981) data for wavelengths lower to 380 nm and for wavelengths higher than 730 nm [DR15].

For the wavelength of the radiance simulation (**OSOAA.Wa**) the absorption coefficient is linearly interpolated from the tabulated values.

As the pure seawater density is considered as a constant value from the sea bottom to the surface, the molecular scattering and absorption coefficients are constant throughout the sea profile.

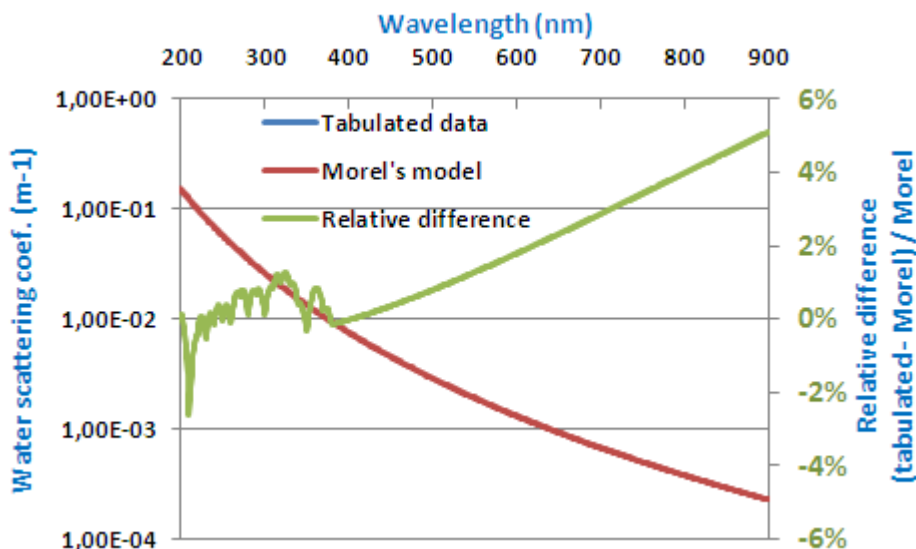
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**Figure 10 : Tabulated molecular absorption coefficients from 200 to 1000 nm.**

Notes:

- Note 1: The CTE\_FIC\_MOL\_SPECTRAL\_DATA file also provides sea molecular scattering coefficients. These values are not used by the OSOAA code but are close to values calculated by the used relation (42).



**Figure 11 : Comparison of tabulated molecular scattering coefficients and values modelled by MOREL (1974) from 200 to 900 nm. Relative difference plotted in green line (see right scale).**

- Note 2: The user cannot perform a simulation under the minimum wavelength CTE\_WAMIN (defined in the OSOAA.h file) and over the maximum tabulated wavelength.



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#### 4.3.3.3 Chlorophyll profile

The profile of chlorophyll concentration  $Chl(z)$ , for  $z$  the sea depth in meters, can be modelled by:

- **Case 1 : A homogeneous profile (-PHYTO.ProfilType 1)**

$$Chl(z) = C_0 \quad (43)$$

with  $C_0$  the chlorophyll A concentration at sea surface, defined by the user (**PHYTO.Chl**, in  $mg.m^{-3}$ )

- **Case 2 : A Gaussian profile (-PHYTO.ProfilType 2)**

$$Chl(z) = Chl_{bg} + Chl_{zmax} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(z - z_{max})^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (44)$$

with the following parameters defined by the user

- $Chl_{zmax}$  : the maximum chlorophyll-a concentration of the gaussian profile, reached when  $Z = Z_{max}$  (**PHYTO.GP.Chlzmax**, in  $mg.m^{-3}$ ).

Note : this is a change introduced in OSOAA version 2.0 in replacement of the use of the parameter **PHYTO.Chl**

- $Chl_{bg}$  : the constant background biomass concentration (**PHYTO.GP.Chlbg**, in  $mg.m^{-3}$ ).
- $Z_{max}$  : the depth for which the maximum of the Gaussian chlorophyll profile is reached (**PHYTO.GP.Deep**, in m)
- $\sigma$  : the width of the chlorophyll peak (**PHYTO.GP.Width**, in m)

- **Case 3 : A chlorophyll profile defined by an userfile (-PHYTO.ProfilType 3)**

The userfile is defined by the parameter **PHYTO.Userfile**.

This file must provide the chlorophyll concentration for a set of sea depths.

Format for each line:  $Z_{user}$   $Chl_{user}$

(sea depth in meters, chlorophyll concentration in  $mg.m^{-3}$ ).

The maximum number of lines cannot exceed the value of the parameter **CTE\_NZ\_MAX** (defined in the OSOAA.h file).

The first value  $Z_{user}$  must be 0 (surface) and the last value must exceed the sea depth (provided by the user or the euphotic depth calculated by OSOAA)

Note: the shape of the chlorophyll concentration is not very important because the light scattering that is observed by a satellite applies mainly in the few first meters below the surface.

The phytoplankton profile of scattering and absorption coefficients is derived from the chlorophyll concentration profile  $Chl(z)$  (in  $mg.m^{-3}$ ) by:

Scattering coefficient for the phytoplankton [DR12] :

$$\sigma_{\text{sca}}^{\text{phyto}}(\lambda, z) = 0.30 \times \left( \frac{550}{\lambda} \right) \times \text{Chl}(z)^{0.62} \quad (45)$$

for  $\lambda$  the simulation wavelength in air (in nm).

Absorption coefficient for the phytoplankton [DR1] :

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}}^{\text{phyto}}(\lambda, z) = \text{AP}(\lambda) \times \text{Chl}(z)^{\text{EP}(\lambda)} \quad (46)$$

where the  $\text{AP}(\lambda)$  and  $\text{EP}(\lambda)$  coefficients are linearly interpolated for the simulation wavelength  $\lambda$  in air, from tabulated data  $\text{AP}(\lambda_k)$  and  $\text{EP}(\lambda_k)$  defined between 400 and 700 nm.

**Table 12 : Coefficients  $\text{AP}(\lambda)$  and  $\text{EP}(\lambda)$  used to calculate the phytoplankton absorption coefficient (Bricaud et al. 1998, [DR1])**

$\lambda$ (nm)	$\text{AP}(\lambda)$ ( $\text{m}^2.\text{mg}^{-1}$ )	$\text{EP}(\lambda)$ (no unit)	$\lambda$ (nm)	$\text{AP}(\lambda)$ ( $\text{m}^2.\text{mg}^{-1}$ )	$\text{EP}(\lambda)$ (no unit)	$\lambda$ (nm)	$\text{AP}(\lambda)$ ( $\text{m}^2.\text{mg}^{-1}$ )	$\text{EP}(\lambda)$ (no unit)
400.	4.3320E-02	0.7026457	500.	2.8819E-02	0.6557435	600.	8.5428E-03	0.8049439
410.	4.6698E-02	0.6881722	510.	2.3181E-02	0.7060035	610.	8.5282E-03	0.8248084
420.	4.9477E-02	0.6711948	520.	1.8943E-02	0.7551307	620.	8.9570E-03	0.8438085
430.	5.1299E-02	0.6542764	530.	1.5987E-02	0.7919776	630.	9.3245E-03	0.8455433
440.	5.2019E-02	0.6349636	540.	1.3722E-02	0.821774	640.	9.7295E-03	0.8373872
450.	4.7932E-02	0.6150956	550.	1.1825E-02	0.8385428	650.	1.0298E-02	0.8142347
460.	4.4552E-02	0.6123579	560.	1.0031E-02	0.8412535	660.	1.3335E-02	0.8229631
470.	4.1530E-02	0.6129361	570.	9.0395E-03	0.8364251	670.	1.9890E-02	0.8177396
480.	3.7741E-02	0.606532	580.	8.8089E-03	0.8276318	680.	1.8300E-02	0.8352283
490.	3.4124E-02	0.6200267	590.	8.9436E-03	0.8117254	690.	8.6832E-03	0.9313893
						700.	3.9341E-03	1.01316

Notes:

- The user cannot perform a simulation under the minimum wavelength CTE\_WAMIN (defined in the OSOAA.h file). Its value is correlated to the minimum value of Table 12.
- If the wavelength  $\lambda$  for the simulation is out of the spectral range covered by the file (CTE\_FIC\_PHYTO\_SPECTRAL\_DATA) then OSOAA retains  $\text{AP}(\lambda) = 0$  and  $\text{EP}(\lambda) = 1$

#### 4.3.3.4 Mineral-Like Particles profile

The scattering and absorption properties of Mineral-Like particles are highly variable depending on their composition and concentration. Therefore, it does not really exist currently some robust bio-optical models that relate the optical properties and the concentration of these particles.

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The Mie theory makes possible the computation of the scattering properties of Mineral-Like particles for a given size distribution and wavelength: phase matrix, scattering cross-section and single scattering albedo calculations.

The scattering and absorption coefficients (in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) are correlated to the cross-sections and to the number of particles by unit volume. This number is related to the concentration of particles, to their density and to the volume concentration.

The density of Mineral-Like particles depends on the refractive index of particles (value stored in the file of MLP radiative properties: **MLP.ResFile**, and calculated according to relations 28, defined in section §4.2.2.2, page 95) by:

$$d_{\text{sed}} = 1000 \times (8.036 \times m_r^{\text{sed}}(\lambda) - 6.826) \quad (47)$$

The relative density to water of MLP is :  $\frac{d_{\text{sed}}}{1000 \text{ mg}/\ell}$

$d_{\text{sed}}$  is a density in  $\text{mg} \cdot \ell^{-1}$  (the pure water one is  $1000 \text{ mg} \cdot \ell^{-1}$ )

The **scattering coefficient of Mineral-Like particles** ( $\sigma_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}(z)$  in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) is given by:

$$\sigma_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}(z) = 10^{-6} \times \frac{C_{\text{sed}}(z)}{d_{\text{sed}}} \times \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}}{\tilde{V}_{\text{sed}}} \quad (48)$$

with

- $C_{\text{sed}}(z)$  : the MLP concentration for the sea depth  $z$  (in  $\text{mg} \cdot \ell^{-1}$ ). As the MLP profile is supposed to be homogeneous, the concentration is a constant throughout the profile:  $C_{\text{sed}}(z) = C_{\text{sed}}^{\text{surf}}$  (**SED.Csed** defined by the user).
- $d_{\text{sed}}$  : the density of Mineral-Like particles (in  $\text{mg} \cdot \ell^{-1}$ ), constant throughout the sea depth,
- $\tilde{V}_{\text{sed}}$  : the mean volume of particles for the size distribution (in  $\mu\text{m}^3$ ).

$$\tilde{V}_{\text{sed}} = \frac{4 \cdot \pi}{3} \int_{r=0}^{\infty} r^3 \cdot n(r) \cdot dr \Bigg/ \int_{r=0}^{\infty} n(r) \cdot dr \quad (49)$$

- $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}$  : the scattering cross-section (in  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ).

$\tilde{V}_{\text{sed}}$  et  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}$  are calculated by OSOAA and stored in the « PM\_MLP » file resulting from radiative properties calculations. The file content and format are presented in section §3.5.4 (page 69).

The **extinction coefficient of Mineral-Like particles** ( $\sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed}}(z)$  in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) is then given by:

$$\sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed}}(z) = \frac{\sigma_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}(z)}{\omega_0^{\text{sed}}} \quad (50)$$

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with  $\omega_0^{\text{sed}} = \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}} / \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed}}$  the single scattering albedo of MLP, calculated by OSOAA from the cross-sections  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed}}$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}$  stored in the « PM\_MLP » file (see section §3.5.4), resulting from radiative properties calculations.

#### 4.3.3.5 Yellow substance and detritus

The yellow substance and detritus are purely absorbing particles. Their scattering coefficients are null.

The **absorption coefficient of yellow substance (also called Color Dissolved Organic Matter-CDOM)**, at the wavelength  $\lambda$ , is derived from the following spectral relation:

$$a_{\text{ys}}(\lambda) = a_{\text{ys}}(440) \times \exp[-S^{\text{ys}} \times (\lambda - 440)] \quad (51)$$

with

- $\lambda$  : the wavelength of light in air,
- $a_{\text{ys}}(440)$  : the absorption coefficient of yellow substance at 440 nm, defined by the user (**YS.Abs440**, in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ),
- $S^{\text{ys}}$  : the coefficient for the spectral variation of the yellow substance absorption for the wavelength of simulation (**YS.Swa**, in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ).

Its typical value is included between 0.014 and 0.019  $\text{m}^{-1}$  depending on the kind of water. It is a constant value from 350 to 700 nm.

If it is not defined by the user, a default value is used (parameter CTE\_DEFAULT\_SPECTRAL\_Ys in the OSOAA.h file: 0.014  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ).

The **absorption coefficient of detritus**, at the wavelength  $\lambda$ , is derived from:

$$a_{\text{det}}(\lambda) = a_{\text{det}}(440) \times \exp[-S^{\text{det}} \times (\lambda - 440)] \quad (52)$$

with

- $\lambda$  : the wavelength of light in air,
- $a_{\text{det}}(440)$  : the absorption coefficient of detritus at 440 nm, defined by the user (**DET.Abs440**, in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ),
- $S^{\text{det}}$  : the coefficient for the spectral variation of detritus absorption for the wavelength of simulation (**DET.Swa**, in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ).

If it is not defined by the user, a default value is used (parameter CTE\_DEFAULT\_SPECTRAL\_DET in the OSOAA.h file: 0.011  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ).

The absorbing coefficients of yellow substance and detritus are assumed to be constant throughout the sea profile.

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#### 4.3.3.6 Mixture-averaged profile calculations

Radiance calculations are based on the mixture-averaged extinction optical thickness profile in the sea and the mixing rate of components in term of scattering. The file content and format are presented in section §3.5.3 (page 67).

The **total extinction optical thickness** for each depth level  $p$  is:

$$\tau_{\text{tot}}(p) = \tau_{\text{water}}(p) + \tau_{\text{phyto}}(p) + \tau_{\text{sed}}(p) + \tau_{\text{ys}}(p) + \tau_{\text{det}}(p) \quad (53)$$

by cumulating the optical thickness of each component (water molecules, phytoplankton, Mineral-Like particles, yellow substance and detritus).

The **scattering mixing rate of the component “comp”** for each depth level  $p$  is:

$$pc_{\text{sca}}^{\text{comp}}(p) = \frac{\sigma_{\text{sca}}^{\text{comp}}(p)}{\sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{water}}(p) + \sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto}}(p) + \sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed}}(p) + \sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{ys}}(p) + \sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{det}}(p)} \quad (54)$$

with:

- $\sigma_{\text{sca}}^{\text{comp}}(p)$  the scattering coefficient of the component « comp » for the level  $p$ .
- $\sigma_{\text{ext}}^{\text{comp}}(p)$  the extinction coefficient of the component « comp » for the level  $p$  (water molecules, phytoplankton, Mineral-Like particles, yellow substance and detritus).

These mixing rates are used to calculate the mixture-averaged phase function in the sea, according to equation (35).

#### 4.3.4 Marine optical thickness profile : use of measurements

The version V1.6 of OSOAA is already able to take into account a user-defined external Mueller matrix of hydrosols. This is done by using the following option: **HYD.Model=2**. The absorption and scattering coefficients are then calculated by applying bio-optical empirical relationships (taken from literature) that link the chlorophyll concentration with the absorption/scattering coefficients of the phytoplankton. By doing this way, a user-defined external phase function (such as those that could be measured in the field) is related to the scattering microphysical properties (e.g., scattering and absorption cross-sections) derived from Mie theory rather than from user's field measurements. Note also that the user-defined external phase function is ascribed to the phytoplankton component of the hydrosols in V1.6 and not to the “mineral-like” particle component of the hydrosols.

The version V2.0 of the OSOAA model permits the introduction of a user-defined external Mueller matrix of hydrosols that is directly related to a user-defined vertical profile of absorption and scattering coefficients in the water column such as a profile that is based on field measurements of the inherent optical properties of the hydrosols. The option **HYD.Model 3** introduces such a possibility of using a user-defined external Mueller matrix of hydrosols, in addition to a user's marine profile of absorption and scattering coefficients. It is then possible to consider the global effect of both phytoplankton and “mineral-like” particles in the marine profile and in the Mueller matrix.

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The inputs required by the option **HYD.Model 3** are as follows:

- **HYD.ExtData**, which is a file that aims at providing the user-defined external Mueller matrix (such an input already exists in the OSOAA version v1.6).

The format of this file has been described in section §3.6.3, page 80.

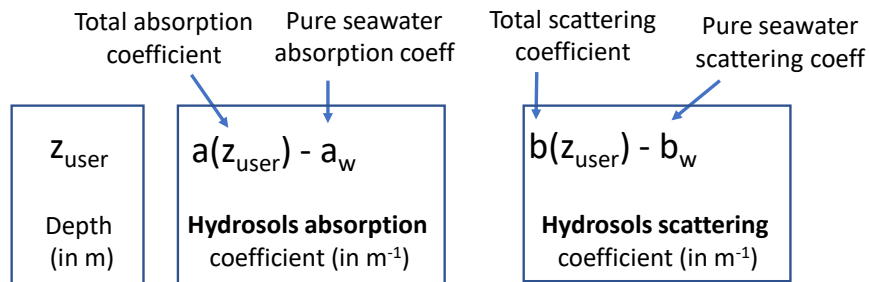
$\Omega$  Scattering angle (in °)	$F_{11}(\Omega)$  <b>Phase function in intensity</b>	$(-F_{12}/F_{11}) (\Omega)$	$(F_{22}/F_{11}) (\Omega)$	$(F_{33}/F_{11}) (\Omega)$
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The phase function  $F_{11}$  data (unit:  $\text{sr}^{-1}$ ) is defined as the Volume Scattering Function (**VSF, unit:  $\text{m}^{-1}\text{sr}^{-1}$** ) **normalized by the scattering coefficient  $b$  (unit:  $\text{m}^{-1}$ )** (both measured just below the sea surface) . The polarization terms ( $F_{12}$ ,  $F_{22}$  and  $F_{33}$ ) are also in unit  $\text{sr}^{-1}$ . The assumption of a spherical shape of the hydrosols is implicitly made in the OSOAA model.

If the polarization terms of the Mueller matrix ( $F_{12}$ ,  $F_{22}$  and  $F_{33}$ ) are not available to the user, then these terms need to be set to zero in the data file. Note, however, that the simulation will be less accurate because of the impact of polarization on radiance intensity in natural waters.

- An additional input file **HYD.UserProfile** that provides the user measured profile of absorption and scattering coefficients of non-water constituents.

The format of this file has been described in section §3.6.4, page 81.

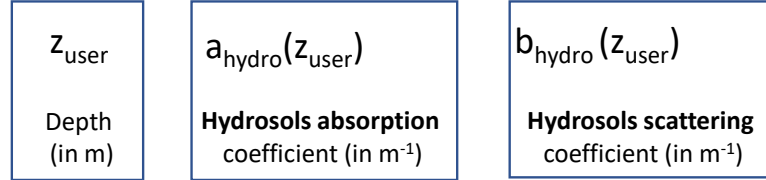


Let's note, the pure seawater absorption and scattering coefficients (respectively  $a_w$  and  $b_w$ ) are assumed to have been subtracted from the native user's measurements  $a(z_{\text{user}})$  and  $b(z_{\text{user}})$ . Such a processing is supposed to have been carried out by the user before the use of the OSOAA model through the user-defined profile file.

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The processing steps are as follows:

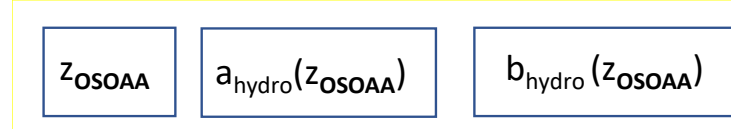
- The user's profile of absorption and scattering coefficients is read for the given user's depths ( $z_{\text{user}}$ ):



If the user's profile does not reach the seabed or the depth limit calculated by the OSOAA code (corresponding to the maximum optical thickness CTE\_SEA\_T\_LIMIT), then the absorption and scattering coefficients are duplicated below the deepest layer of the user's profile till the depth limit.

Note: The maximum number of lines needs to be lower than CTE\_NZ\_MAX\_USER\_PROFILE (new constant value defined in OSOAA.h).

- The vertical resolution of the profile (i.e., depth step) specified by the parameter CTE\_SEA\_DEPTH\_STEP (in meter) is obtained using interpolations of user's depth initial measurements (note that the depth resolution, which is defined in inc/OSOAA.h, is 0.05 m by default). The profile of absorption and scattering coefficients for depths  $z_{\text{OSOAA}}$  is then obtained as follows:



- The **scattering mixing rate for hydrosols** is then calculated for each depth  $z_{\text{OSOAA}}$ :

The scattering mixing rate for a given component (seawater molecules, phytoplankton or Mineral-Like Particles) is defined as the ratio between the scattering coefficient of the given component and the total extinction coefficient (absorption + scattering for all the components). These scattering mixing rates are directly used to weight the Mueller matrix of each hydrosol component (Phytoplankton, water, Mineral-Like particles) for computing the directional scattering properties of the light propagating in medium through  $\text{pc} \times \text{F11}(\Omega)$ .

The calculation is as follows:

$$\text{pc}_{\text{phyto}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) = \frac{b_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}})}{[a_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) + a_w] + [b_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) + b_w]}$$

Annotations for the equation:

- $\text{pc}_{\text{phyto}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}})$ : The scattering mixing rate for hydrosols is assigned to the phyto parameter (by convention)
- $b_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}})$ : Hydrosols scattering coefficient (in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ )
- $[a_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) + a_w] + [b_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) + b_w]$ : Total extinction coefficient (in  $\text{m}^{-1}$ ) including the pure seawater

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The scattering mixing rate is artificially assigned to the component  $pc_{\text{phyto}}$  (mixing rate of phytoplankton) and the component  $pc_{\text{MLP}}$  (mixing rate of Mineral Like-Particle) is set to zero for all the depth levels. In the same way, the phase matrix is assigned to the Phytoplankton component of the hydrosols and the matrix for Mineral-like particles is set to zero.

The pure seawater absorption and scattering coefficients (respectively  $a_w$  and  $b_w$ ) are taken into account directly by the OSOAA model (i.e., the user does not need to introduce them). They do not depend on the depth but only on the wavelength. The related parameters are obtained according to equations and data given in section §4.3.3.2.

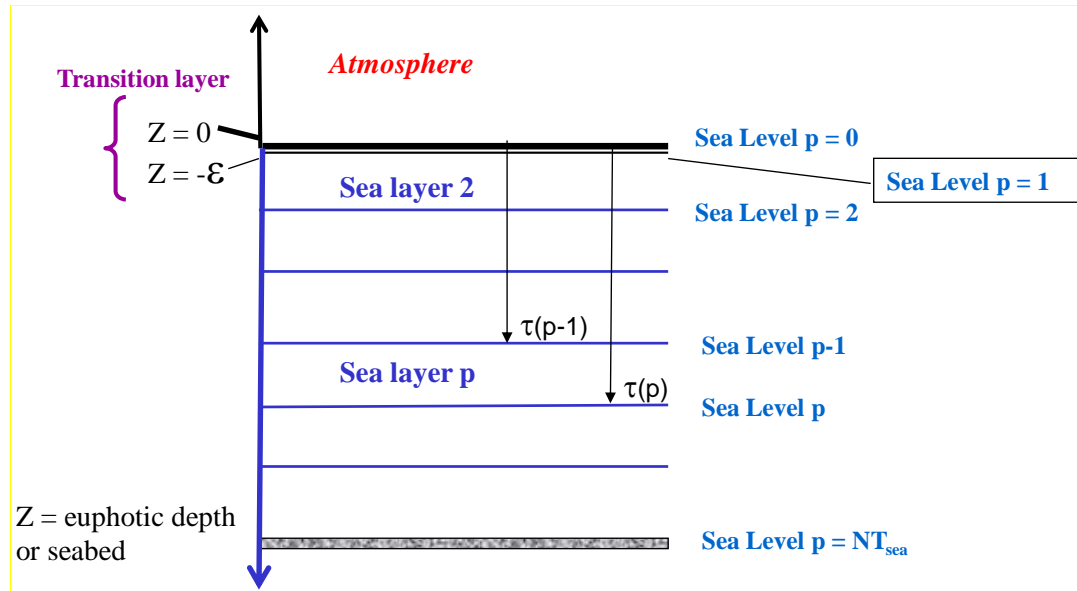
- The **scattering mixing rate for the pure seawater** is also calculated for each depth:

$$pc_w(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) = \frac{b_w}{[a_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) + a_w] + [b_{\text{hydro}}(z_{\text{OSOAA}}) + b_w]}$$

**Pure seawater scattering coefficient (in  $m^{-1}$ )**  
 $b_w$

- Finally, the total extinction optical thickness is calculated as follows:

$\tau_{\text{ext}}(z_p) = \sum_{k=0}^p [a(k) + b(k)] \times \Delta z(k)$  where  $p$  is the index of the OSOAA profile level corresponding to the depth  $z_p$ , and for  $a(k)$  and  $b(k)$  respectively the total absorption and total scattering coefficients at the depth level  $k$  (see Figure 12 which illustrates the sea profile definition).



**Figure 12 : Illustration of the sea profile definition**



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The profile for the optical thickness and scattering mixing rates of the OSOAA model is then obtained as shown below:

Level p	z	$\tau_{ext}$	$pc_{mol}$	$pc_{phyto}$	$pc_{MLP} = 0$
Level number of the profile	Sea depth (in m)	Total optical thickness at level p	Scattering mixing rate for pure seawater	Scattering mixing rate for hydrosols	
No dimension					

#### 4.3.5 Adjustment of optical thickness profiles to phase function truncation

OSOAA produces the atmospheric profile file (-**PROFILE\_ATM.ResFile**) and the marine profile file (-**PROFILE\_SEA.ResFile**), which define the optical thickness and the scattering mixing rate of components for each profile level (file content and format in section §3.5.3).

The phase function of aerosols, phytoplankton and mineral-like particles are truncated to replace their peak in the cone of forward scattering by a transmission. Therefore, OSOAA must adjust the data profile to the truncations in order to simulate an equivalent atmosphere and marine environment.

##### 4.3.5.1 Adjustment of the atmospheric profile to the aerosol phase function truncation

OSOAA calculates the atmospheric profile (-**PROFILE\_ATM.ResFile**) which provides for each level n:

- $\tau_{ext}(n)$ : the extinction optical thickness
- $pcaer(n)$ : the mixing rate of aerosols for scattering
- $pcray(n)$ : the mixing rate of molecules for scattering

OSOAA also calculates the radiative properties of aerosols (stored in the file -**AER.ResFile**) which include:

- $\omega_0^{aer,tr}$ : the aerosol single scattering albedo adjusted to the phase function truncation
- $F^{aer}$ : the truncation coefficient

For the layer n, OSOAA calculates:

- The scattering optical thickness of aerosols:

$$\text{Real value: } \Delta\tau_{sca}^{aer}(n) = \Delta\tau_{ext}(n) \times pcaer(n)$$

$$\text{Value adjusted to the truncation: } \Delta\tau_{sca}^{aer,tr}(n) = \Delta\tau_{sca}^{aer}(n) \times (1 - F^{aer})$$

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- The extinction optical thickness of aerosols adjusted to the truncation:

$$\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{aer,tr}}(n) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{aer,tr}}(n)}{\omega_0^{\text{aer,tr}}}$$

The extinction optical thickness of molecules (= the scattering one):

- $\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{mol}}(n) = \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}(n) \times \text{pcray}(n)$
- The global extinction optical thickness of aerosols adjusted to the truncation:

$$\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{tr}}(n) = \tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{tr}}(n-1) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{aer,tr}}(n) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{mol}}(n)$$

- The scattering mixing rate adjusted to the truncation:

$$\begin{cases} \text{pcaer}^{\text{tr}}(n) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{aer,tr}}(n)}{\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{aer,tr}}(n) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{mol}}(n)} \\ \text{pcray}^{\text{tr}}(n) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{mol}}(n)}{\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{aer,tr}}(n) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{mol}}(n)} \end{cases}$$

#### 4.3.5.2 Adjustment of the marine profile to the hydrosols phase function truncations

OSOAA calculates the marine profile (**-PROFILE\_SEA.ResFile**) which provides for each level  $p$ :

- $\tau_{\text{ext}}(p)$ : the extinction optical thickness
- $\text{pcwater}(p)$ : the mixing rate of water molecules for scattering
- $\text{pcsed}(p)$ : the mixing rate of mineral-like particles for scattering
- $\text{pcphyto}(p)$ : the mixing rate of phytoplankton for scattering

OSOAA calculates the radiative properties of mineral-like particles and phytoplankton particles (**-MLP.ResFile** and **-PHYTO.ResFile**) which includes:

- $\omega_0^{\text{sed,tr}}$ : the mineral-like particles single scattering albedo adjusted to the mineral-like particles phase function truncation
- $F^{\text{sed}}$ : the truncation coefficient for mineral-like particles
- $\omega_0^{\text{phyto,tr}}$ : the phytoplankton single scattering albedo adjusted to the phytoplankton phase function truncation
- $F^{\text{phyto}}$ : the truncation coefficient for phytoplankton particles

For a layer  $p$ , OSOAA calculates:

- The scattering optical thickness of mineral-like particles:

$$\text{Real value: } \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}(p) = \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}(p) \times \text{pcsed}(p)$$

$$\text{Value adjusted to the truncation: } \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p) = \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed}}(p) \times (1 - F^{\text{sed}})$$

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- The scattering optical thickness of phytoplankton:

$$\text{Real value: } \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{phyto}}(p) = \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}(p) \times \text{pcphyto}(p)$$

$$\text{Value adjusted to the truncation: } \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p) = \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{phyto}}(p) \times (1 - F^{\text{phyto}})$$

- The extinction optical thicknesses of mineral-like particles and phytoplankton adjusted to their phase function truncation:

$$\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p)}{\omega_0^{\text{sed,tr}}} \quad \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p)}{\omega_0^{\text{phyto,tr}}}$$

- The scattering optical thickness of water molecules:

$$\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{water}}(p) = \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}(p) \times \text{pcwater}(p)$$

- The absorption optical thickness of water molecules, yellow substance and detritus (only absorbing matters) :

$$\Delta\tau_{\text{abs}}^{\text{mol+ys+det}}(p) = \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}(p) - \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed}}(p) - \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto}}(p) - \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{water}}(p)$$

calculated from the real extinction optical thicknesses of mineral-like particles and phytoplankton (i.e. without phase function truncation adjustments):

$$\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed}}(p) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p)}{1 - \omega_0^{\text{sed}} \times F^{\text{sed}}} \quad \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto}}(p) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p)}{1 - \omega_0^{\text{phyto}} \times F^{\text{phyto}}}$$

- The global extinction optical thickness adjusted to the truncations:

$$\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{tr}}(p) = \tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{tr}}(p-1) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{water}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{abs}}^{\text{mol+ys+det}}(p)$$

- The scattering mixing rate adjusted to the truncations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{pcsed}^{\text{tr}}(p) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p)}{\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{water}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{abs}}^{\text{mol+ys+det}}(p)} \\ \text{pcphyto}^{\text{tr}}(p) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p)}{\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{water}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{abs}}^{\text{mol+ys+det}}(p)} \\ \text{pcwater}^{\text{tr}}(p) = \frac{\Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{water}}(p)}{\Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{sed,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{ext}}^{\text{phyto,tr}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{sca}}^{\text{water}}(p) + \Delta\tau_{\text{abs}}^{\text{mol+ys+det}}(p)} \end{array} \right.$$

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## 4.4 Air / sea interface

This chapter presents the OSOAA modelling of the sea surface and its interactions with the polarized light coming from the atmospheric downwelling radiance field and from the marine upwelling one.

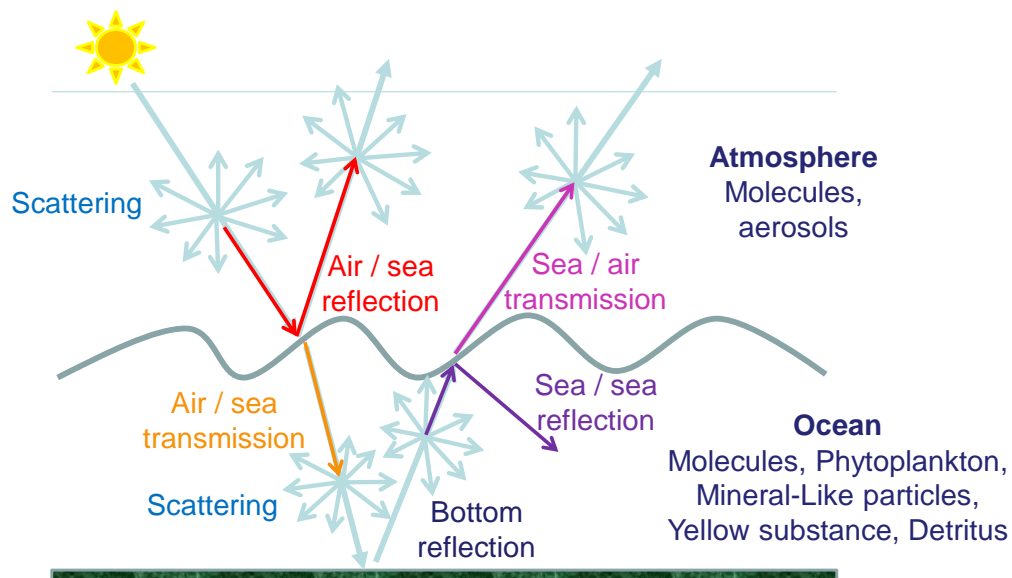
### 4.4.1 A complete modelling of polarized light interactions with the sea surface

OSOAA can simulate a flat sea surface as well as a rough sea surface.

Fresnel's laws are used to calculate the complete interactions of light with the sea surface:

- Reflection air → air      The reflection on the sea surface of the direct solar beam and diffuse light scattered in the atmosphere.
- Transmission air → sea      The transmission through the sea surface of the downwelling light coming from the atmosphere (direct solar light attenuated in the atmosphere and diffuse light scattered in the atmosphere).
- Reflection sea → sea      The reflection on the sea/surface interface, toward the sea bottom, of the upwelling light scattered in the water.
- Transmission sea → air      The transmission through the sea surface of the upwelling light coming from the sea water.

The direct solar beam, attenuated by the atmosphere and the diffuse light are both taken into account for a complete modelling of interactions with the sea surface.



**Figure 13 : Interactions of light on the sea surface interface, in the atmosphere and ocean, and on the bottom of the sea**

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### 4.4.2 Rough surface case

This chapter presents the mathematical formulation of the surface interaction matrices, introduced for a rough sea surface. OSOAA performs their expansion into Fourier series of the azimuth in order to use them on radiance fields expanded into same Fourier series.

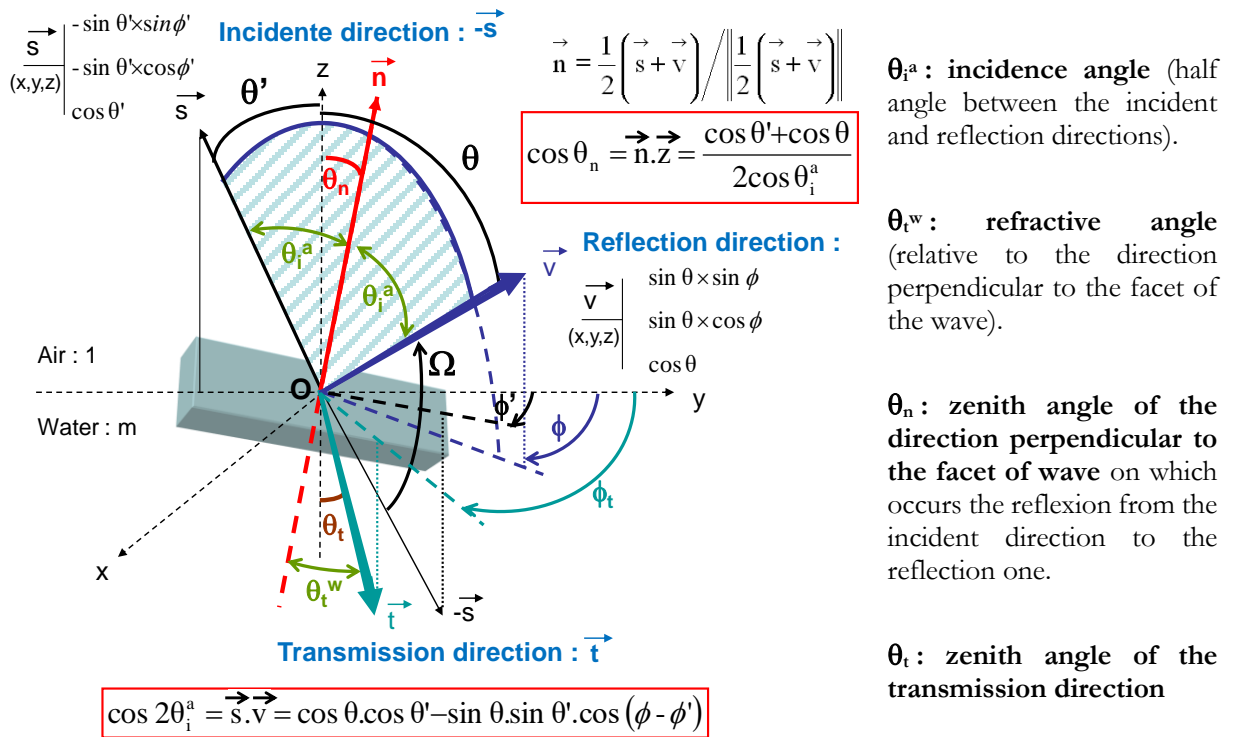
#### 4.4.2.1 Modelling of the facets of waves

In case of a rough sea surface, waves are modelled according to the Cox and Munk probability for slopes of wind-driven waves [DR4]. The probability of an incident light beam in the direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  to meet a wave providing a reflexion toward the direction  $(\mu, \phi)$  is:

$$p(\theta_n, \phi_n) = \frac{1}{\pi \sigma^2 \cdot \cos^3 \theta_n} \times \exp\left(-\frac{\tan^2 \theta_n}{\sigma^2}\right) \quad (55.a)$$

$$\text{with } \sigma^2 = 0,003 + 0,00512 \times \text{wind (m/s)} \pm 0,004 \quad (55.b)$$

and  $\theta_n$  the zenith angle of the direction  $\vec{n}$  perpendicular to the facet of wave (see Figure 14)



**Figure 14 : Rough sea surface interface - illustration of incident, reflection and transmission directions, in case of a downward incidence from the atmosphere (air→sea)**

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#### 4.4.2.2 Reflection air → air

The reflection of the direct solar beam and of the diffuse light on the sea surface, toward the direction  $(\mu_r, \phi_r)$ , is given by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Order 1: } \bar{L}_{R1}^{\uparrow}(\tau^*, \mu_r, \phi_r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\mu_r} \times \overline{\text{RAA}}(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu_0, \phi_0) \times \bar{E} \cdot \exp(\tau^* / \mu_0) \\ \text{Order n: } \bar{L}_{Rn}^{\uparrow}(\tau^*, \mu_r, \phi_r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\mu_r} \times \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\mu'=-1}^0 \overline{\text{RAA}}(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') \times \bar{L}_{n-1}^{\downarrow}(\tau^*, \mu', \phi') d\mu' d\phi' \end{array} \right. \quad (56)$$

with :

- $\mu' = -\cos \theta' < 0$  ( $0 < \theta' < \pi/2$ ): the cosine of the zenith angle of the downwelling incident light direction.
- $\phi'$  : the azimuth angle of the incident light direction.
- $\mu_0 < 0$  : the cosine of the solar zenith angle.
- $\phi_0$  : the azimuth angle of the solar incident direction.
- $\mu_r = \cos \theta > 0$  ( $0 < \theta < \pi/2$ ): the cosine of the zenith angle of the upwelling reflected light.
- $\phi_r$  : the azimuth angle of the reflected light direction.
- $\overline{\text{RAA}}(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi')$  is the **air / air surface reflection matrix** for an incident beam toward the direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  and a reflection toward the direction  $(\mu_r, \phi_r)$ .
- $\bar{L}_{Rn}^{\uparrow}(\tau^*, \mu, \phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{I}_{Rn}^{\uparrow}(\tau^*, \mu, \phi) \\ \bar{Q}_{Rn}^{\uparrow}(\tau^*, \mu, \phi) \\ \bar{U}_{Rn}^{\uparrow}(\tau^*, \mu, \phi) \end{pmatrix}$  is the Stokes vector of order n, resulting from the

reflection on the sea surface (level 0+) of the incident light of order n-1.

- $\bar{E} = \begin{pmatrix} E \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is the solar irradiance at TOA, toward the direction  $(\mu_0, \phi_0)$ , which is

attenuated from TOA to the sea surface by  $\exp(\tau^* / \mu_0)$ .

Note : OSOAA calculates normalized radiance by using  $E = \pi$ .

- $\bar{L}_{n-1}^{\downarrow}(\tau^*, \mu', \phi')$  is the incident Stokes vector of order n-1 (diffuse incident light at the surface level).

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The surface reflection follows the Fresnel's laws. Then, for a rough sea, the surface reflection matrix  $\mathbf{RAA}$  includes the Fresnel reflection matrix  $\mathbf{RF}_{AA}$  weighted by the probability function  $\mathbf{g}$  of encountering a facet of wave for the geometrical configuration of the incident and the reflection directions. Moreover, as we can easily express the Fresnel reflection matrix from a reference frame associated to the reflexion plane, the application of rotations is required to express the transition to frames associated to the incident meridian plane and to the reflection meridian plane from the reflexion plane :

$$\overline{\overline{\mathbf{RAA}}}(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') = \mathbf{g}_R(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') \times \overline{\overline{\mathbf{R}}}(-\chi) \cdot \overline{\overline{\mathbf{RF}}}_{AA}(i^a) \cdot \overline{\overline{\mathbf{R}}}(\chi'). \quad (57)$$

with :

$$\bullet \quad \mathbf{g}_R(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') = \frac{1}{\sigma^2 \cdot \cos^4 \theta_n} \times \exp\left(-\frac{\tan^2 \theta_n}{\sigma^2}\right) \quad (58)$$

where :  $\sigma^2 = 0,003 + 0,00512 \times \text{wind (m/s)}$

- $\chi'$  : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the incident meridian plane and the direction perpendicular to the reflection plane.
- $-\chi$  : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the reflection plane and the direction perpendicular to the reflection meridian plane.

$$\bullet \quad \overline{\overline{\mathbf{R}}}(\chi') \text{ the rotation matrix: } \overline{\overline{\mathbf{R}}}(\chi') = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 2\chi' & \sin 2\chi' \\ 0 & -\sin 2\chi' & \cos 2\chi' \end{pmatrix} \quad (59)$$

- $\overline{\overline{\mathbf{RF}}}_{AA}(i^a)$  is the Fresnel reflection matrix (air  $\rightarrow$  air reflection) for a reference frame associated to the reflection plane, with  $i^a$  the incidence angle from the atmosphere relative to the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave:

$$\overline{\overline{\mathbf{RF}}}_{AA}(\cos i^a) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & \mathbf{R}_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & 0 \\ \mathbf{R}_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & \mathbf{R}_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{R}_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \end{pmatrix} \quad (60.a)$$

$$\text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{R}_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( \mathbf{r}_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 + \left( \mathbf{r}_{\text{r}}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 \right] \\ \mathbf{R}_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( \mathbf{r}_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 - \left( \mathbf{r}_{\text{r}}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 \right] \\ \mathbf{R}_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = \mathbf{r}_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \times \mathbf{r}_{\text{r}}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \end{cases} \quad (60.b)$$

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$$\text{where } r_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = \frac{m^2 \cdot \cos i^a - \sqrt{m^2 - \sin^2(i^a)}}{m^2 \cdot \cos i^a + \sqrt{m^2 - \sin^2(i^a)}} \quad (60.c)$$

$$r_r^{\text{th}}(i^a) = \frac{\cos i^a - \sqrt{m^2 - \sin^2(i^a)}}{\cos i^a + \sqrt{m^2 - \sin^2(i^a)}} \quad (60.d)$$

The incident angle  $i^a$ , relative to the direction perpendicular to the facet of the wave, is given by (cf. Figure 14, p 117) :

$$\cos 2 i^a = \cos \theta \cdot \cos \theta' - \sin \theta \cdot \sin \theta' \cdot \cos (\phi - \phi') \quad (61)$$

#### 4.4.2.3 Transmission air → sea

Similarly to the reflexion, the transmission through the sea surface of the direct solar beam and of the diffuse light on the sea surface, toward the direction  $(\mu, \phi)$ , is given by :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Order 1: } \bar{L}_{T1}^{\downarrow 0-}(\tau^*, \mu_t, \phi_t) = \frac{1}{\pi \cdot \mu_t} \times \overline{\text{TAW}}(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu_0, \phi_0) \cdot \bar{E} \cdot \exp(\tau^* / \mu_0) \\ \text{Order n: } \bar{L}_{Tn}^{\downarrow 0-}(\tau^*, \mu_t, \phi_t) = \frac{1}{\pi \cdot \mu_t} \times \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{-1}^0 \overline{\text{TAW}}(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi') \cdot \bar{L}_{n-1}^{\downarrow 0+}(\tau^*, \mu', \phi') d\mu' d\phi' \end{array} \right. \quad (62)$$

with :

- $\mu_t = \cos \theta_t < 0$  ( $0 < \theta_t < \pi/2$ ): the cosine of the zenith angle of the downwelling transmitted light.
- $\phi_t$  : the azimuth angle of the transmitted light.
- $\overline{\text{TAW}}(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi')$  is the **air / sea transmission matrix** for an incident beam toward the direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  and a transmission toward the direction  $(\mu_t, \phi_t)$ .
- $\bar{L}_{Tn}^{\downarrow 0-}(\tau^*, \mu_t, \phi_t)$  is the Stokes vector of order n, just below the sea surface (called level 0-), resulting from the transmission through the surface of the incident light of order n-1.

The air → sea water transmission matrix **TAW** is given by:

$$\overline{\text{TAW}}(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi') = g_T(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi') \times \Re(-\chi_t) \cdot \overline{\text{TF}}_{\text{AW}}^{\text{FLUX}}(i^a) \cdot \Re(\chi_t') \times \frac{m^2 \cdot \cos t^w \cdot \cos i^a}{(m \cdot \cos t^w - \cos i^a)^2} \quad (63)$$

with :

- $i^a$  : the incidence angle from the atmosphere relative to the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave.



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- $p'$ : the refraction angle into the sea relative to the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave.

$$\sin i^a = m \cdot \sin t^w \quad (64)$$

- $\chi_i'$ : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the incident meridian plane and the direction perpendicular to the transmission plane.
- $-\chi_t$ : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the transmission plane and the direction perpendicular to the transmission meridian plane.
- $gt(\mu_i, \phi_i, \mu', \phi')$ : the probability function of encountering a facet of wave for the incident direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  and the transmission direction  $(\mu_i, \phi_i)$ . As a given incident direction on a given oriented facet of wave occurs a single configuration of reflection direction and transmission direction, there is the following relation:

$$g_T(\mu_i, \phi_i, \mu', \phi') = g_R(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') \quad (65)$$

- $\overset{==\text{FLUX}}{\text{TF}}_{\text{AW}}(\cos i^a)$  is the Fresnel transmission matrix (air  $\rightarrow$  sea transmission) for a reference frame associated to the transmission plane:

$$\overset{==\text{FLUX}}{\text{TF}}_{\text{AW}}(\cos i^a) = \frac{m \cdot \cos t^w}{\cos i^a} \times \begin{pmatrix} t_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & t_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & 0 \\ t_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & t_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^a) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \end{pmatrix} \quad (66.a)$$

$$\text{with} \quad \begin{cases} t_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 + \left( t_r^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 \right] \\ t_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 - \left( t_r^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right)^2 \right] \\ t_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \times t_r^{\text{th}}(i^a) \end{cases} \quad (66.b)$$

$$\text{where} \quad t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) = \frac{1}{m} \times \left( 1 + r_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^a) \right) \quad (66.c)$$

$$t_r^{\text{th}}(i^a) = 1 + r_r^{\text{th}}(i^a) \quad (66.d)$$

For a couple of incident direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  and the transmission direction  $(\mu_i, \phi_i)$  the Fresnel incidence angle  $i^a$  is calculated from geometrical considerations.

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#### 4.4.2.4 Reflection sea → sea

The upwelling sea radiance is only a diffuse light. Indeed, the direct solar beam is a downward illumination which is scattered in the sea water or reflected by the bottom of the sea (assumed to be a lambertian surface).

The reflection under the surface of the upwelling sea light, toward the direction  $(\mu_r, \phi_r)$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} & \overline{\downarrow}^{sea}_{R_n}(0-, \mu_r, \phi_r) \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi \cdot (-\mu_r)} \times \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\mu'=0}^1 \overline{\overline{RWW}}(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') \cdot \overline{\uparrow}^{sea}_{n-1}(0-, \mu', \phi') d\mu' d\phi' \end{aligned} \quad (67)$$

with :

- $\mu' > 0$  : the cosine of the zenith angle of the upwelling incident light direction.
- $\phi'$  : the azimuth angle of the incident light direction.
- $\mu_r < 0$  : the cosine of the zenith angle of the downwelling reflected light.
- $\phi_r$  : the azimuth angle of the reflected light.
- $\overline{\overline{RWW}}(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi')$  is the **sea / sea surface reflection matrix** for an incident beam toward the direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  and a reflection toward the direction  $(\mu_r, \phi_r)$ .
- $\overline{\downarrow}^{sea}_{R_n}(0-, \mu, \phi)$  is the Stokes vector of order n, resulting from the reflection on the sea surface (level 0-) of the upwelling incident light of order n-1.
- $\overline{\uparrow}^{sea}_{n-1}(0-, \mu', \phi')$  is the incident Stokes vector of order n-1 (diffuse upwelling light at sea surface : level 0-).

The surface reflection sea → sea **RWW** is calculated from the Fresnel reflection matrix **RF<sub>ww</sub>** weighted by the probability function **g** of slope waves and by taking into account for rotations to bring the frame associated to the incident meridian plane to the frame associated to the reflection meridian plane, via the reflection plane.

$$\overline{\overline{RWW}}(\mu, \phi, \mu', \phi') = g_R(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') \times \overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}}(-\chi_w) \cdot \overline{\overline{RF_{ww}}}(i^w) \cdot \overline{\overline{\mathcal{R}}}(\chi_w') \quad (68)$$

with :

- $g_R(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') = \frac{1}{\sigma^2 \cdot \cos^4 \theta_n} \times \exp\left(-\frac{\tan^2 \theta_n}{\sigma^2}\right)$  defines by the same equation as (58), but for zenith angles of the direction perpendicular to the facets of waves which are calculated for  $\mu' > 0$  and  $\mu_r < 0$

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- $\chi_w'$  : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the incident meridian plane and the direction perpendicular to the reflection plane.
- $-\chi_w$  : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the reflection plane and the direction perpendicular to the reflection meridian plane.
- $\overline{\overline{\mathfrak{R}}}(\chi')$  the rotation matrix defined by equation (59).
- $\overline{\overline{\text{RF}}}_{\text{ww}}(i^w)$  is the Fresnel reflection matrix (sea  $\rightarrow$  sea reflection) for a reference frame associated to the reflection plane, with  $i^w$  the incidence angle from the sea water relative to the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave:

$$\overline{\overline{\text{RF}}}_{\text{ww}}(\cos i^w) = \begin{pmatrix} \text{R}_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & \text{R}_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & 0 \\ \text{R}_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & \text{R}_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \text{R}_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \end{pmatrix} \quad (69.a)$$

$$\text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \text{R}_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( \text{r}_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 + \left( \text{r}_{\text{r}}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 \right] \\ \text{R}_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( \text{r}_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 - \left( \text{r}_{\text{r}}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 \right] \\ \text{R}_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = \text{r}_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \times \text{r}_{\text{r}}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \end{cases} \quad (69.b)$$

$$\text{where} \quad \text{r}_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = \frac{\cos i^w - m \times \sqrt{1 - m^2 \cdot \sin^2(i^w)}}{\cos i^w + m \times \sqrt{1 - m^2 \cdot \sin^2(i^w)}} \quad (69.c)$$

$$\text{r}_{\text{r}}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = \frac{m \cdot \cos i^w - \sqrt{1 - m^2 \cdot \sin^2(i^w)}}{m \cdot \cos i^w + \sqrt{1 - m^2 \cdot \sin^2(i^w)}} \quad (69.d)$$

**Note : Case of a total reflection**

For an incidence angle  $i^w$  greater than the limit angle, defined by  $m \cdot \sin i_{\text{lim}}^w = 1$ , there is a total reflexion:

$$\begin{cases} \text{R}_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^w > i_{\text{lim}}^w) = 1 \\ \text{R}_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^w > i_{\text{lim}}^w) = 0 \\ \text{R}_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^w > i_{\text{lim}}^w) = 1 \end{cases} \quad (69.e)$$

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The incident angle  $i^w$  relative to the direction perpendicular to the facet of the wave is given by (cf. Figure 15):

$$\cos 2 i^w = \cos \theta \cdot \cos \theta' - \sin \theta \cdot \sin \theta' \cdot \cos (\phi - \phi') \quad (70)$$

The **incidence direction** is given by the vector

$\vec{s}$  with:

- a zenith angle  $\theta'$  defined between 0 and  $\pi/2$
- an azimuth angle  $\phi'$

The **transmission direction** is given by the vector

$\vec{t}$  with:

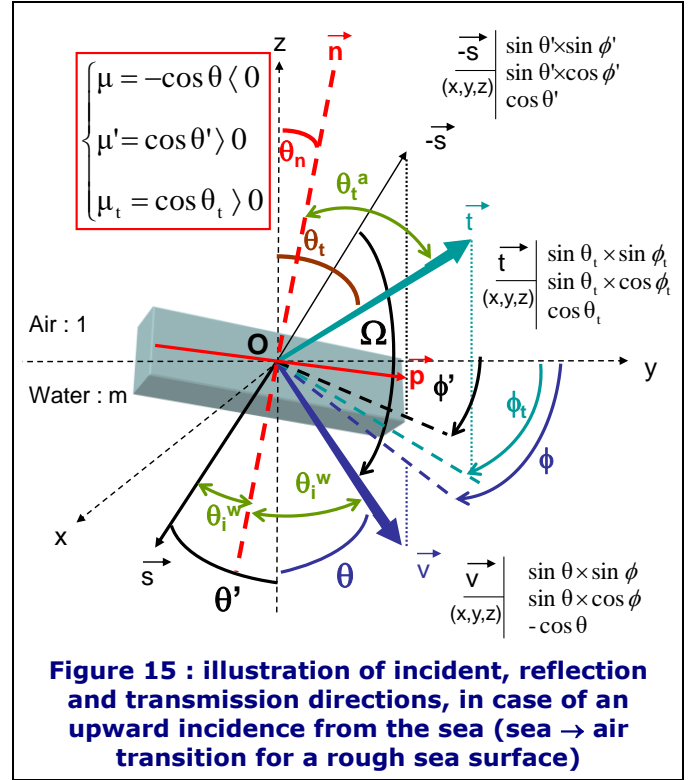
- a zenith angle  $\theta_t$  defined between 0 and  $\pi/2$
- an azimuth angle  $\phi_t$

The **reflexion direction** is given by the vector  $\vec{v}$  with:

- a zenith angle  $\theta$  defined between 0 and  $\pi/2$
- an azimuth angle  $\phi$

The **direction perpendicular** to the facet of the **wave** is given by the vector  $\vec{n}$  with:

- a zenith angle  $\theta_n$  defined between 0 and  $\pi/2$
- an azimuth angle  $\phi_n$



#### 4.4.2.5 Transmission sea → air

The transmission through the sea surface of upwelling sea radiance, toward the direction  $(\mu_t, \phi_t)$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{L}_{Tn}^{\uparrow sea}(0+, \mu_t, \phi_t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi \cdot \mu_t} \times \int_{\phi'=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\mu'=0}^1 \overline{\text{TWA}}(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi') \cdot \bar{L}_{n-1}^{\uparrow sea}(0-, \mu', \phi') \cdot d\mu' \cdot d\phi' \end{aligned} \quad (71)$$

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with :

- $\mu_t = \cos \theta_t < 0$  ( $0 < \theta_t < \pi/2$ ): the cosine of the zenith angle of the upwelling transmitted light.
- $\phi_t$  : the azimuth angle of the transmitted light direction.
- $\overline{\overline{\text{TWA}}}(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi')$  is the **sea / air transmission matrix** for an incident beam toward the direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  and a transmission toward the direction  $(\mu_t, \phi_t)$ .
- $\overline{\overline{\text{L}}}_{\text{Tn}}^{\uparrow \text{sea}}(0+, \mu_t, \phi_t)$  is the Stokes vector of order n, just above the sea surface (level 0+), resulting from the transmission through the surface of the incident light of order n-1.

The sea  $\rightarrow$  air transmission matrix **TWA** is given by:

$$\overline{\overline{\text{TWA}}}(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi') = g_T(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi') \times \frac{\cos t^a \cdot \cos i^w}{(m \cdot \cos i^w - \cos t^a)^2} \times \overline{\overline{\mathfrak{R}}}(-\chi_{wt}) \cdot \overline{\overline{\text{TF}}}_{\text{WA}}^{\text{FLUX}}(i^w) \cdot \overline{\overline{\mathfrak{R}}}(\chi_{wt}') \quad (72)$$

with :

- $i^w$ : the incidence angle from the sea relative to the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave.
- $t^a$ : the refraction angle into the air relative to the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave.
- $\chi_{wt}'$ : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the incident meridian plane and the direction perpendicular to the transmission plane.
- $-\chi_{wt}$ : the rotation angle between the direction perpendicular to the transmission plane and the direction perpendicular to the transmission meridian plane.
- $g_T(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi')$  : the probability function of encountering a facet of wave for the incident direction  $(\mu', \phi')$  and the transmission direction  $(\mu_t, \phi_t)$ . We notice:

$$g_T(\mu_t, \phi_t, \mu', \phi') = g_R(\mu_r, \phi_r, \mu', \phi') \quad (73)$$

- $\overline{\overline{\text{TF}}}_{\text{WA}}^{\text{FLUX}}(i^w)$  is the Fresnel transmission matrix (sea  $\rightarrow$  air transmission) for a reference frame associated to the transmission plane:

$$\overline{\overline{\text{TF}}}_{\text{WA}}^{\text{FLUX}}(\cos i^w) = \frac{\cos t^a}{m \cdot \cos i^w} \times \begin{pmatrix} t_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & t_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & 0 \\ t_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & t_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^w) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \end{pmatrix} \quad (74.a)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} t_{11}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 + \left( t_r^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 \right] \\ t_{12}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = 0.5 \times \left[ \left( t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 - \left( t_r^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right)^2 \right] \\ t_{33}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \times t_r^{\text{th}}(i^w) \end{cases} \quad (74.b)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where} \quad \begin{cases} t_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) = m \times \left( 1 + r_{\ell}^{\text{th}}(i^w) \right) \quad (74.c) \\ t_r^{\text{th}}(i^w) = 1 + r_r^{\text{th}}(i^w) \quad (74.d) \end{cases}$$

The Fresnel incidence angle  $i^w$  is calculated from geometrical considerations.

**Note : Case of a total reflection**

There is a transmission from the sea water to the air only if  $m \cdot \sin i^w \leq 1$ .

In this case, the refraction angle  $i^a$  into the air relative to the vector perpendicular to the facet of the wave is:

$$\sin i^a = m \cdot \sin i^w \quad (75)$$

In the opposite case, there is a total reflexion and no transmission.

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## 5. Validation of the OSOAA model

The validation of profiles, radiative properties of aerosols or hydrosols, and successive orders of scattering calculations have been first performed by comparing OSOAA simulations for a flat sea to the original OSOA code (only available for a flat sea condition) which has been validated elsewhere [Chami et al., 2001]. A very good agreement has been obtained. It is not discussed here since this chapter focuses on the validation of the new implementation of the rough sea surface within the model OSOAA.

### 5.1 Validation of the full reflexion/transmission Mueller matrix for a rough sea surface

This validation stands on an inter comparison of simulations with the model of Jacek Chowdhary [DR3], hereafter noted as JC's code. Global radiance fields, for Stokes parameters (I,Q,U), are compared in order to validate the correct implementation of the diffuse and solar direct light reflexion/transmission through the air/sea interface. These simulations take into account all scattering processes as well as all the air / sea and sea / air interactions for a rough sea surface. OSOAA and JC's code simulations of Stokes vector (I,Q,U) are compared at the **sea surface level 0+** and at **TOA** for upwelling directions.

#### 5.1.1 Conditions of the simulations

The conditions of the simulations are as follows:

- Solar zenith angle: 30° and 60°
- Spectral bands: 412 nm and 660 nm
- Gauss angles:  
Table 13 shows the values of the cosine of Gauss angles and their weight for spatial integrations. 40 Gauss angles are used and three specific angles are added with a null weight: the nadir direction, the solar zenith angle in the air and in the sea.
- Atmospheric scattering by molecules (no aerosols).  
Table 14 shows the values of the atmospheric Rayleigh optical versus the wavelength.
- Oceanic components: only water molecules (i.e. no particle or CDOM)  
Table 14 shows the values of the absorption and scattering coefficients ( $a_w$  and  $b_w$ ) for a pure sea water versus the wavelength.
- The factor of molecular depolarization in the air and in the sea is null.
- Sea depth: 1000 m.
- Wind velocity at surface level: 7 m/s
- Sea bottom albedo: 0.
- Wave distribution of Cox and Munk model
- No shadowing effect of waves (functionality cut off for JC's code)
- No foam

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**Table 13 : Cosine of used Gauss angles and associated weights. Three specific angles are added with a null weight: nadir direction, solar zenith angle in the air (here 60°) and in the sea**

Ind	Cosine of the angle	Weight
1	0.10000000000000E+01	0.00000000000000E+00
2	0.99955382265163E+00	0.11449500031887E-02
3	0.99764986439824E+00	0.26635335895143E-02
4	0.99422754096569E+00	0.41803131246912E-02
5	0.98929130249976E+00	0.56909224514043E-02
6	0.98284857273863E+00	0.71929047681184E-02
7	0.97490914058573E+00	0.86839452692619E-02
8	0.96548508904380E+00	0.10161766041103E-01
9	0.95459076634363E+00	0.11624114120797E-01
10	0.94224276130987E+00	0.13068761592400E-01
11	0.92845987717245E+00	0.14493508040509E-01
12	0.91326310257176E+00	0.15896183583725E-01
13	0.89667557943877E+00	0.17274652056270E-01
14	0.87872256767821E+00	0.18626814208300E-01
15	0.85943140666311E+00	0.19950610878142E-01
16	0.83883147358026E+00	0.21244026115782E-01
17	0.81695413868146E+00	0.22505090246332E-01
18	0.79383271750461E+00	0.23731882865930E-01
19	0.76950242013504E+00	0.24922535764116E-01
20	0.76309391230831E+00	0.00000000000000E+00
21	0.74400029758360E+00	0.26075235767565E-01
22	0.71736518536210E+00	0.27188227500486E-01
23	0.68963764434203E+00	0.28259816057277E-01
24	0.66085989898612E+00	0.29288369583267E-01
25	0.63107577304687E+00	0.30272321759558E-01
26	0.60033062282975E+00	0.31210174188115E-01
27	0.56867126812271E+00	0.32100498673488E-01
28	0.53614592089713E+00	0.32941939397646E-01
29	0.50280411188878E+00	0.33733214984612E-01
30	0.50000000000000E+00	0.00000000000000E+00
31	0.46869661517054E+00	0.34473120451754E-01
32	0.43387537083176E+00	0.35160529044748E-01
33	0.39839340588197E+00	0.35794393953416E-01
34	0.36230475349949E+00	0.36373749905836E-01
35	0.32566437074770E+00	0.36897714638276E-01
36	0.28852805488451E+00	0.37365490238731E-01
37	0.25095235839227E+00	0.37776364362001E-01
38	0.21299450285767E+00	0.38129711314478E-01
39	0.17471229183265E+00	0.38424993006959E-01
40	0.13616402280914E+00	0.38661759774076E-01
41	0.97408398441585E-01	0.38839651059052E-01
42	0.58504437152421E-01	0.38958395962770E-01
43	0.19511383256794E-01	0.39017813656307E-01



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**Table 14 : Molecular optical thickness of the atmosphere ( $\tau_{\text{Rayleigh}}$ ), absorption coefficient ( $a_w$ ) and scattering one ( $b_w$ ) for a pure sea water, for the different wavelengths of simulation**

	412 nm	443 nm	490 nm	550 nm	660 nm
$\tau_{\text{Rayleigh}}$	0.314125824	0.232630014	0.153598466	0.0957390344	0.045615378
$a_w$ ( $\text{m}^{-1}$ )	0.00455056	0.00706914	0.015	0.0565	0.41
$b_w$ ( $\text{m}^{-1}$ )	0.00665	0.00487235	0.00316451	0.00193224	0.000889028

## 5.1.2 Results

Output results are compared at the sea surface level 0+ and at TOA, in the half-planes of azimuth:  $0^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$  (solar principal plane) and  $90^\circ$  (perpendicular to the solar principal plane).

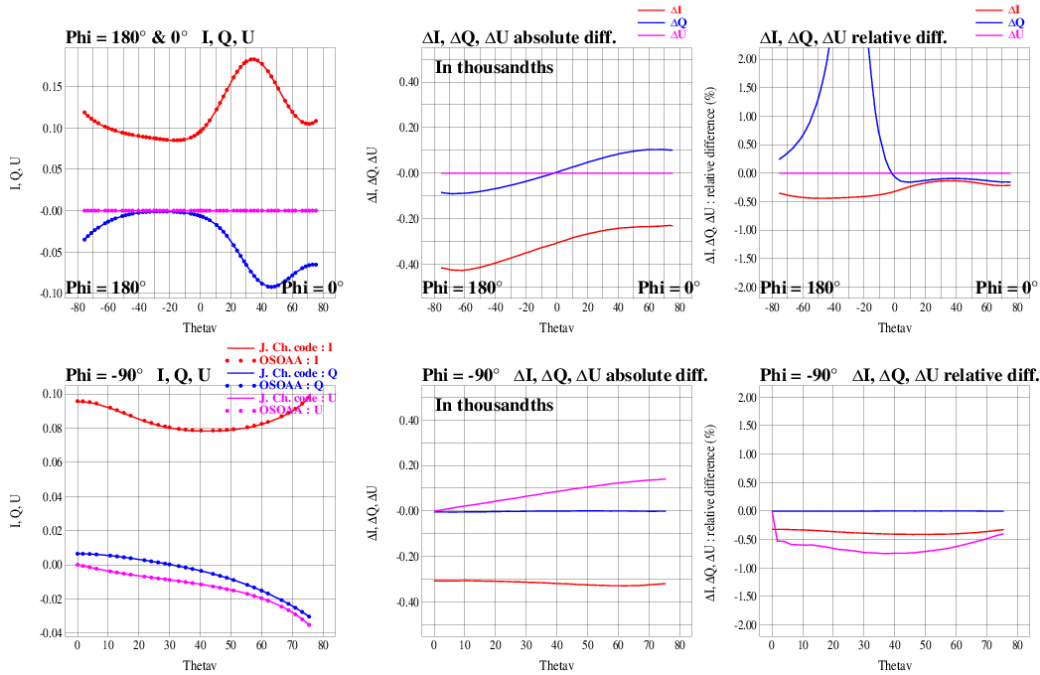
For upward radiance just above the sea surface (level 0+):

- At 412 nm, the molecular scattering is the strongest; therefore sea surface interactions with the diffuse light are important. Figure 16 shows the Stokes parameters (I,Q,U) simulated by OSOAA are very close to those simulated by the JC's code: absolute differences are lower than  $0.4 \times 10^{-3}$  of normalized radiance for the intensity I and lower than  $0.1 \times 10^{-3}$  for parameters Q and U. The relative differences do not exceed 0.8%, except for the parameters Q and U within directions for which the polarization trends to be null (in this latter case, the relative difference is meaningless).
- Figure 17 shows that at 660 nm, for weaker scattering effects, the absolute differences do not exceed  $0.02 \times 10^{-3}$  of normalized radiance.

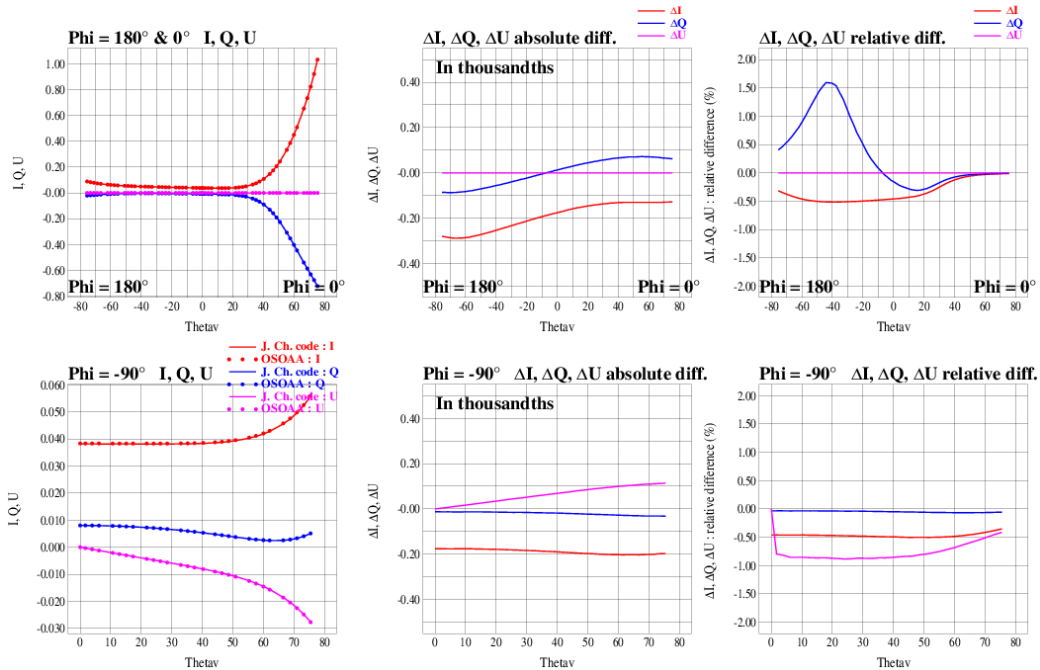
For upwelling radiance at TOA:

- At 443 nm (Figure 18), absolute differences at TOA are similar to those obtained at level 0+, which leads to lower relative differences reaching at most 0.2% for I, because the upwelling TOA signal is higher than the surface one (mainly for the intensity). Same results are obtained for Q and U, again except within the range of directions for which Q or U is close to be null.
- At 660 nm, absolute differences at TOA only reaches up to 0.05 to  $0.1 \times 10^{-3}$  of normalized radiance for the intensity I and slightly less for Q and U parameters.

**Simulation case : 3      SZA : 30      Wavelength : 412      SRF W07**

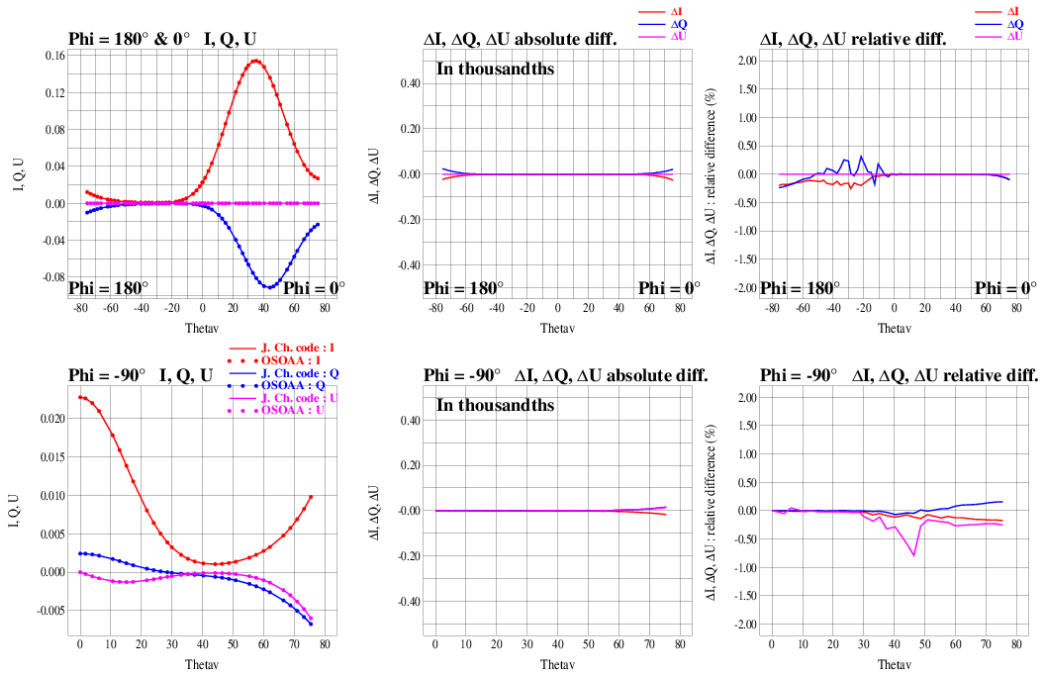


**Simulation case : 3      SZA : 60      Wavelength : 412      SRF W07**

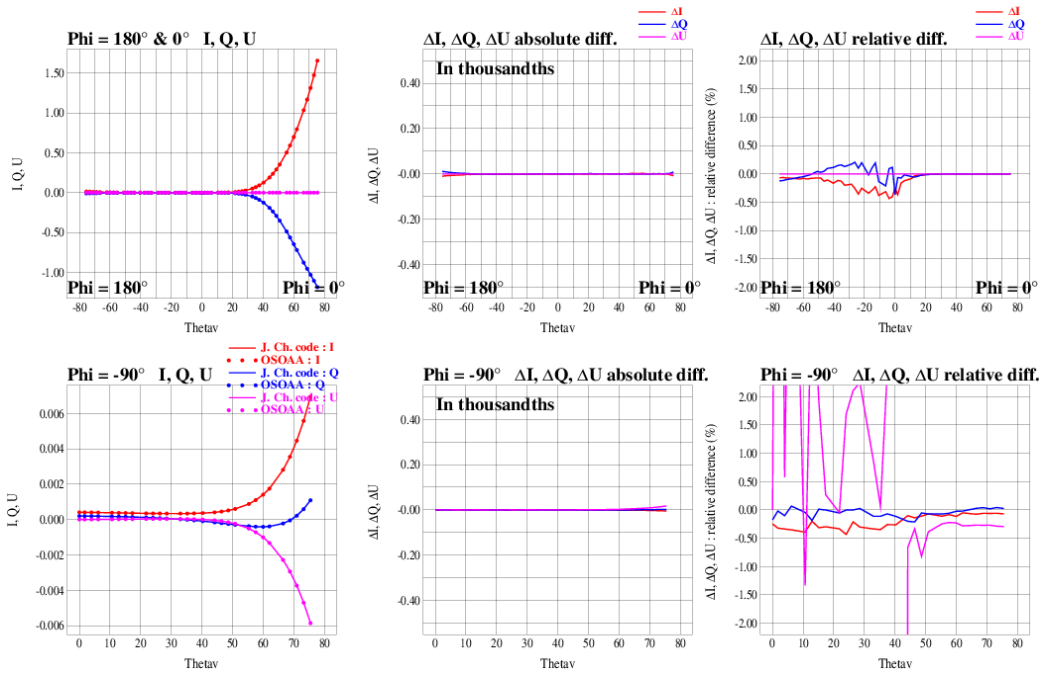


**Figure 16 : Upward normalized radiance (I,Q,U) at 412-nm, at sea surface level 0+, simulated by OSOAA and by the JC's code (left column), absolute difference (middle column) and relative difference (right column). The first line shows results in the solar principal plan. The second one shows results in the perpendicular plane. Simulations for a SZA =30° and 60°.**

**Simulation case : 3      SZA : 30      Wavelength : 660      SRF W07**



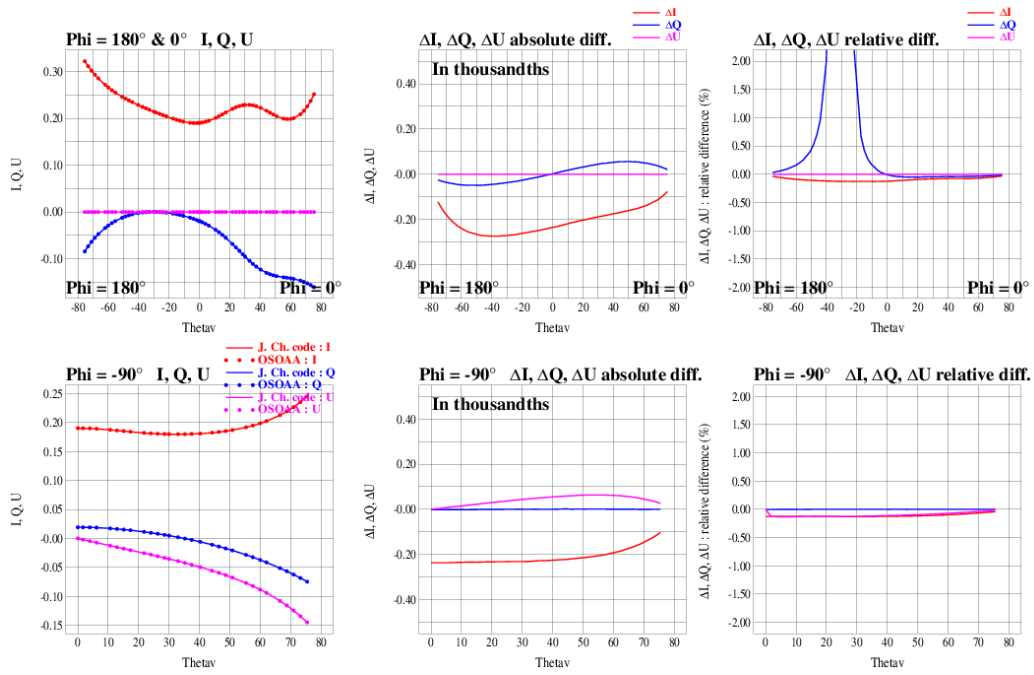
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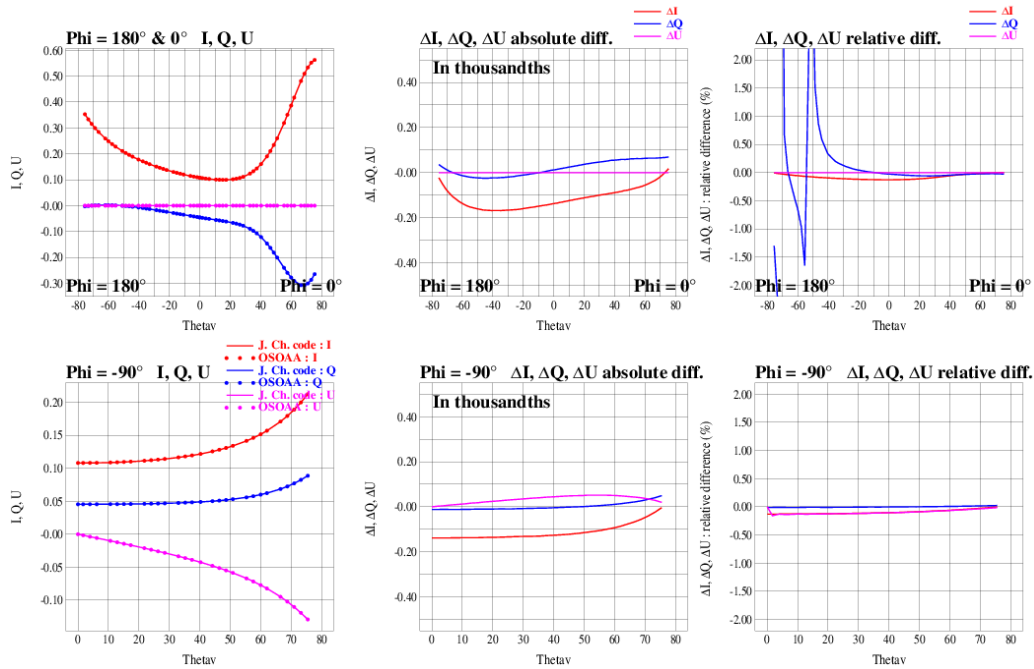
**Figure 17 : Same legend as Figure 16 but at 670-nm.**

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**Simulation case : 3      SZA : 30      Wavelength : 412      TOA W07**



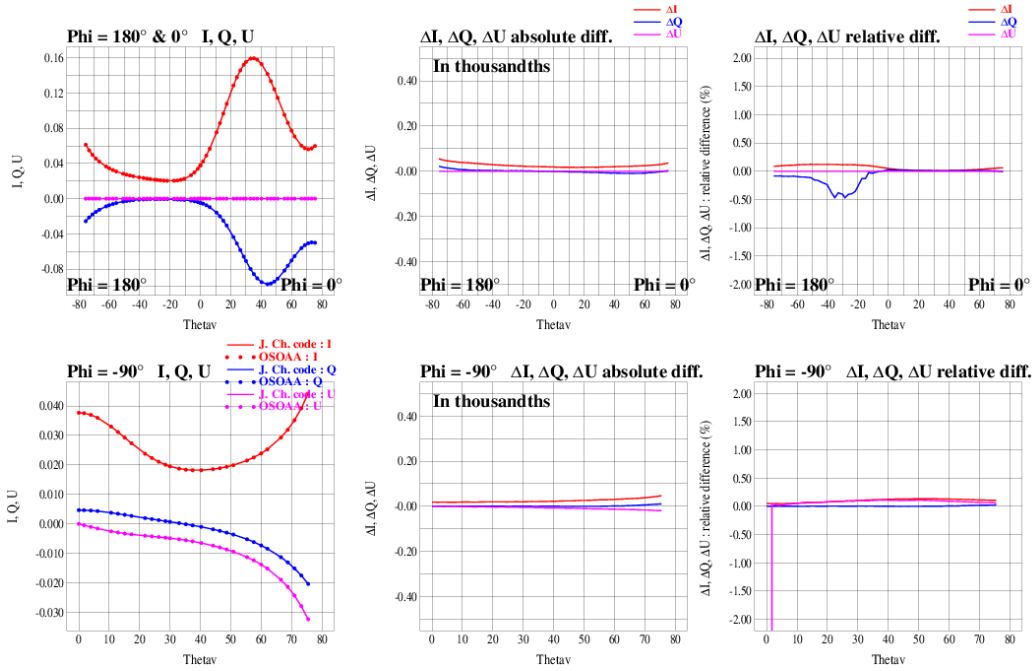
**Simulation case : 3      SZA : 60      Wavelength : 412      TOA W07**



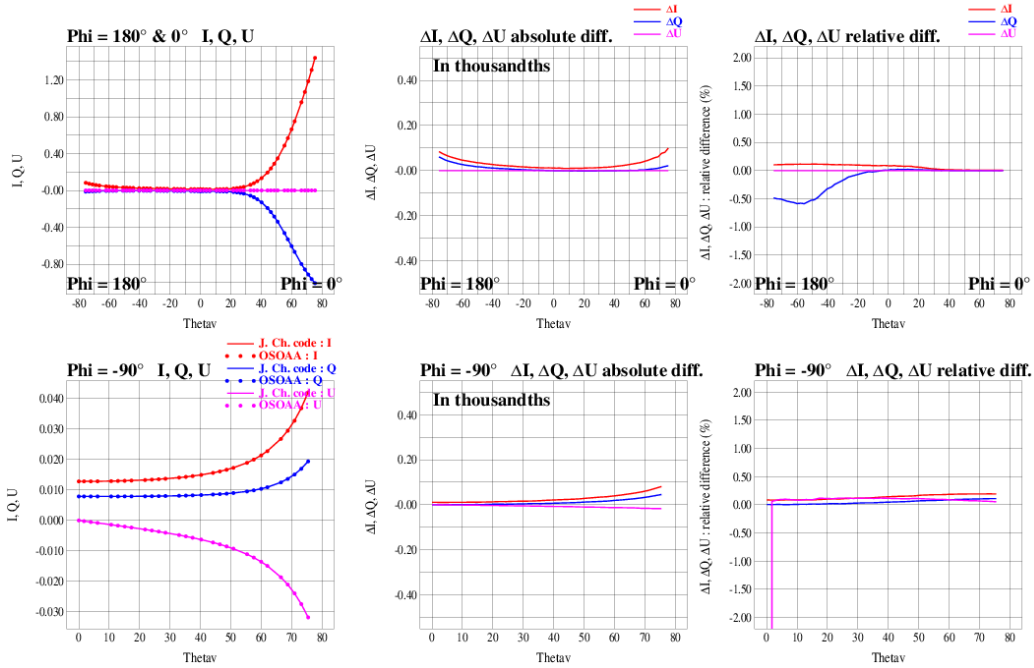
**Figure 18 : Same legend as Figure 16 but simulation at TOA level.**

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**Simulation case : 3      SZA : 30      Wavelength : 660      TOA W07**



**Simulation case : 3      SZA : 60      Wavelength : 660      TOA W07**



**Figure 19 : Same legend as Figure 16 but at TOA level and at 670-nm.**

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## 5.2 Validation of the conservation of energy through the reflexion/transmission Mueller matrix

This validation aims at checking the conservation of energy within OSOAA model when light is reflected and transmitted through the sea surface, in the case of a rough sea.

Indeed, the conservation budget of radiance fluxes at the air/sea interface is a good test to exhibit the consistency of the radiative transfert code. A validation test is then performed by comparing the incident, reflected and transmitted fluxes at the interface, for conservative atmosphere and marine environments (i.e. non absorbing environments).

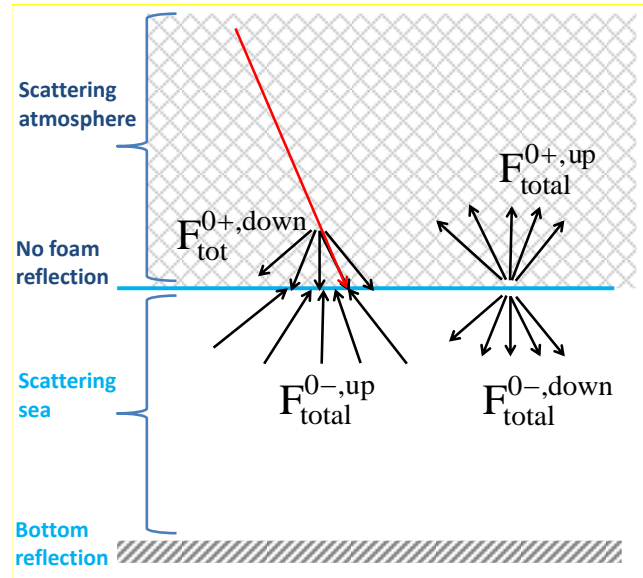
The incident flux on the sea surface (level 0+), noted  $F_{\text{total}}^{0+, \text{down}}$ , is the combination of the direct solar irradiance, attenuated by its propagation throught the atmosphere, and the downwelling diffuse light scattered in the atmosphere. The upwelling flux at level 0+,  $F_{\text{total}}^{0+, \text{up}}$ , corresponds to the reflection of the atmospheric light and to the transmission of the marine diffuse light through sea to air.

In the sea water, just below the surface (level 0-) :

- The upwelling flux,  $F_{\text{total}}^{0-, \text{up}}$ , is due to the scattering of light in the water.
- The downwelling flux,  $F_{\text{total}}^{0-, \text{down}}$ , is due to the air/sea transmission of the incident atmospheric flux and to the downward reflection on the sea/air interface of the upwelling diffuse marine light.

The energy of the incident fluxes reaching the surface interface from the atmosphere as well as from the sea must be distributed in the reflected and transmitted fluxes. Then, we must check :

$$F_{\text{total}}^{0+, \text{down}} + F_{\text{total}}^{0-, \text{up}} = F_{\text{total}}^{0+, \text{up}} + F_{\text{total}}^{0-, \text{down}}$$



**Figure 20 : Fluxes on the air/sea interface**

### 5.2.1 Conditions of the simulations

The conditions of the simulations are the same as for the previous case, except for:

- Solar zenith angle: 10°, 30° and 50°.
- Wavelength: 443 nm
- 40 or 80 gauss angles are used to analyse the sensitivity of calculations to the gauss quadrature.
- Atmospheric scattering by molecules (no aerosols): Rayleigh optical thickness = 0.23.

- Sea depth: 5 m.
- Wind velocity at surface level: 0 (flat sea), 0.5, 1, 2, 5 and 7 m/s.

## 5.2.2 Results

Table 15 shows the results.

**By using 80 Gauss angles**, we notice the consistency of **the fluxes conservation is better than 0.3% for a rough sea**, for a solar zenith angle in the range of 10° to 50°.

In case of using only 40 Gauss angles, the accuracy can be strongly degraded for the lowest wind velocities (smaller than 2 m/s), mainly for low solar zenith angles.

	<b>40 <math>\mu</math>GAUSS</b>						<b>80 <math>\mu</math>GAUSS</b>					
<b><math>\theta_s = 10^\circ</math></b>	Wind m/s						Wind m/s					
	0	0,5	1	2	5	7	0	0,5	1	2	5	7
$F_{total}^{0+,down}$	2,783	2,787	2,787	2,787	2,786	2,786	2,783	2,788	2,787	2,787	2,786	2,786
$F_{total}^{0+,up}$	0,103	0,100	0,101	0,101	0,099	0,098	0,103	0,102	0,101	0,101	0,099	0,098
$F_{total}^{0-,down}$	2,707	2,373	2,615	2,712	2,723	2,725	2,714	2,718	2,718	2,719	2,723	2,725
$F_{total}^{0-,up}$	0,031	0,028	0,030	0,032	0,032	0,032	0,032	0,032	0,032	0,032	0,032	0,032
$F_{total}^{0+,up} + F_{total}^{0-,down}$	<b>2,809</b>	<b>2,473</b>	<b>2,716</b>	<b>2,813</b>	<b>2,822</b>	<b>2,823</b>	<b>2,817</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>2,822</b>	<b>2,823</b>
$F_{total}^{0+,down} + F_{total}^{0-,up}$	<b>2,815</b>	<b>2,815</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>2,815</b>	<b>2,819</b>	<b>2,819</b>	<b>2,819</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>2,818</b>
Absolute difference	-0,005	-0,342	-0,101	-0,006	0,004	0,005	0,002	0,001	0,001	0,001	0,004	0,005
Relative diff (%)	-0,19	-12,15	-3,59	-0,20	0,13	0,18	0,07	0,02	0,02	0,05	0,13	0,18

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$\theta_s = 30^\circ$	Wind m/s						Wind m/s					
	0	0,5	1	2	5	7	0	0,5	1	2	5	7
$F_{total}^{0+,down}$	2,414	2,419	2,418	2,418	2,417	2,417	2,414	2,418	2,418	2,418	2,417	2,417
$F_{total}^{0+,up}$	0,094	0,094	0,093	0,093	0,092	0,091	0,094	0,094	0,093	0,093	0,092	0,091
$F_{total}^{0-,down}$	2,342	2,475	2,373	2,354	2,359	2,361	2,351	2,354	2,355	2,356	2,359	2,361
$F_{total}^{0-,up}$	0,029	0,030	0,029	0,029	0,029	0,029	0,029	0,029	0,029	0,029	0,029	0,029
$F_{total}^{0+,up} + F_{total}^{0-,down}$	<b>2,437</b>	<b>2,569</b>	<b>2,466</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,450</b>	<b>2,452</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>2,450</b>	<b>2,452</b>
$F_{total}^{0+,down} + F_{total}^{0-,up}$	<b>2,443</b>	<b>2,449</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>2,443</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>2,446</b>
Absolute difference	-0,007	0,120	0,018	0,000	0,004	0,006	0,002	0,000	0,001	0,002	0,004	0,006
Relative diff (%)	-0,27	4,91	0,75	0,01	0,16	0,23	0,10	0,02	0,03	0,06	0,16	0,23

$\theta_s = 50^\circ$	Wind m/s						Wind m/s					
	0	0,5	1	2	5	7	0	0,5	1	2	5	7
$F_{total}^{0+,down}$	1,725	1,731	1,731	1,731	1,731	1,732	1,725	1,731	1,731	1,731	1,731	1,732
$F_{total}^{0+,up}$	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091	0,091
$F_{total}^{0-,down}$	1,649	1,671	1,664	1,665	1,668	1,669	1,660	1,664	1,664	1,665	1,668	1,670
$F_{total}^{0-,up}$	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023	0,023
$F_{total}^{0+,up} + F_{total}^{0-,down}$	<b>1,740</b>	<b>1,762</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>1,759</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>1,759</b>	<b>1,761</b>
$F_{total}^{0+,down} + F_{total}^{0-,up}$	<b>1,748</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>1,748</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,754</b>	<b>1,755</b>
Absolute difference	-0,008	0,008	0,001	0,002	0,004	0,006	0,003	0,000	0,001	0,002	0,004	0,006
Relative diff (%)	-0,46	0,43	0,04	0,09	0,24	0,32	0,17	0,03	0,05	0,09	0,24	0,32

**Table 15 : Flux conservation budget at air/sea interface. Simulation at 443-nm, for a wind velocity from 0 to 7 m/s, atmospheric and marine scattering environments (molecules) without foam and for a black sea bottom. 40 or 80 Gauss angles. 3 solar zenith angles: 10, 30 and 50°. Note: for these simulations, the value of the TOA solar irradiance is  $\pi$ .**



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## 5.3 Conclusion

The validation of OSOAA has been performed both on the stokes parameters (I,Q,U) radiance fields by comparison to the JC's code (Jacek Chowdhary's code) and on the flux conservation at the air/sea interface.

The consistency of OSOAA simulations for a rough sea with respect to the JC's code is better than  $0.4 \times 10^{-3}$  of normalized radiance for the intensity. The comparison between both code is lower than  $0.1 \times 10^{-3}$  for the polarization parameters Q and U. The relative differences do not exceed 0.8%, except for the parameters Q and U when the direction of observation corresponds to the case for which the degree of polarization is very close to zero (in this latter case, the relative difference is meaningless).

Regarding the flux conservation at the air/sea interface, the uncertainty is lower than 0.3% for a rough sea for a solar zenith angle in the range of  $10^\circ$  to  $50^\circ$  and by using an appropriated Gauss quadrature (80 Gauss angles).