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SAR POLARIMETRY Basic & Advanced Concepts and Applications

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SAR & Hyperspectral multi-modal Imaging and sigNal processing, Electromagnetic modeling

























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RADAR POLARIMETRY





Objective To provide

the minimum, but necessary, amount of knowledge required to understand

scientific works on

Radar Polarimetry



POLARIMETRY





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POLARIMETRY + INTERFEROMETRY



Pol-InSAR



POLARIMETRY + TOMOGRAPHY





POLARIMETRY + TIME-SERIES





Polarimetric feature temporal evolution

POLARIMETRY + TIME-SERIES



mm/yr



Permanent scatterers Coherent scatterers

Polarimetry = scatterer type

CONTENT



Basic / Advanced Concepts in PolSAR Analysis

Electromagnetic Wave Polarisation

- Wave Propagation
- Wave Polarisation
- Jones Vector
 - Polarisation Ratio
 - Complex Polarisation Plane
 - Orthogonal Jones Vector
 - Elliptical Basis Transformation

Scattering Polarimetry

- Scattering Problem
- Polarimetric Descriptors
 - Scattering / Sinclair Matrix
 - Target Vectors
 - Kennaugh Matrix / Huynen Parameters
 - Coherency Matrix
 - Covariance Matrix
- Elliptical Basis Transformations
- Polarimetric Target Dimension
 - MonostaticTarget Equations

CONTENT



Basic / Advanced Concepts in PolSAR Analysis

- Polarimetric Speckle Filtering
- Target Decomposition Theorems
 - Krogager Decomposition
 - Huynen / Barnes Decompositions
 - Cloude / Holm Decompositions
 - Freeman / Yamaguchi Decompositions
 - Van Zyl / Arii Decomposition
 - H / A / $\underline{\alpha}$ Decomposition
 - eigenvalues based parameters
 - TSVM Decomposition
- PolSAR Image Segmentation
 - H / $\underline{\alpha}$ Unsupervised Classification
 - Wishart H / A / $\underline{\alpha}$ Classification
 - Wishart Freeman Classification

Wave Polarimetry

- Jones Vector
- Stokes Vector
 - Poincaré Sphere
 - Elliptical Basis Transformation
- Partially Polarised Waves
- Wave Covariance Matrix
- Wave Polarisation Dimension
- Wave Speckle Filtering
- Wave Decomposition

CONTENT



Practicals





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RADAR POLARIMETRY



• A bit of History

• Airborne and Space-borne Polarimetric SAR Sensors

- Software / Toolbox
- Learning / Training / Results

Radar Polarimetry



Radar Polarimetry (Polar : polarisation Metry: measure) is the science of acquiring, processing and analysing the polarization state of an electromagnetic field

> Radar Polarimetry deals with the full vector nature of polarized electromagnetic waves

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Radar Polarimetry

The POLARISATION information Contained in the waves backscattered from a given medium is highly related to:

its geometrical structure reflectivity, shape and orientation

its geophysical properties such as humidity, roughness, ...

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SAR Polarimetry Applications



Forest Vegetation



Agriculture

- Forest Height
- Forest Biomass
- Forest Structure
- Canopy Extinction
- Underlying Topography

- Forest Ecology
- Forest Management
- Ecosystem Change
- Carbon Cycle

- Soil Moisture Content
- Soil roughness
- Height of Vegetation Layer
- Extinction of Vegetation Layer
- Moisture of Vegetation Layer
- Farming Management
- Water Cycle
- Desretification



Urban Areas

• Topography

- Penetration Depth / Density
- Snow Ice Layer
- Snow Ice Extinction
- Water Equivalent

- Ecosystem Change
- Water Cycle
- Water Management

Geometric PropertiesDielectric Properties



Courtesy of Dr. I. Hajnsek

Urban Monitoring

A Bit Of History



Radar Polarimetry



Discovery of the Phenomena of Polarized Electromagnetic Energy



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Brewster







1980 - 2018

The Radar Polarimetric Triptych





Polarimetric Radar (SAR)



Spaceborne Sensors



Space-borne Sensors







ERS-1 **European Space Agency (ESA)** C-Band, 1991-2000

J-ERS-1 Japanese Space Agency (NASDA) L-Band, 1992-1998







RadarSAT-1 Canadian Space Agency (CSA) C-Band, 1995

ERS-2 **European Space Agency (ESA)** C-Band, 1995



Shuttle Radar Topography Mission NASA/JPL (C-Band), DLR (X-Band) ebruary 2000

Scattering Coefficient



Space-borne Sensors



Space-borne Sensors



Wave Polarimetry



Space-borne PolSAR Sensors



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ENVISAT - ASAR

October 2001 C-Band (Sngl / Dual Inc)



COSMO - SkyMed





June 2007, Dec. 2007 Oct. 2008, Nov. 2010 X-Band (Sngl / Dual) Revisit : 1 day



TerraSAR - X



June 2007 X-Band (Sngl / Twin HH-VV / Quad Exp.)





RISAT-1A





26 April 2012 C-Band (Sngl, Dual, Hybrid) *Operational since 2015*



Sabarmati (Hybrid)

Kolkata (Hybrid)

SENTINEL – 1A



S1A : April 2014 S1B : April 2016 C-Band (Sngl, Dual)

Revisit : 6 days



Brussels – 12 April 2014



Scattering Polarimetry



San Francisco Bay – (L-Band)

HV

|HH|_{dB}

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VIdB

|HH|_{dB}

|HV|_{dB}

VV_{dB}

San Francisco Bay – (L-Band)

HH-VV

San Francisco Bay – (L-Band)

|HH+VV|_{dB}



SIR-C / X-SAR



April 1994 L- and C-Band (Quad) X-Band (Sngl)



Rwanda, Zaire, Uganda



ALOS - PALSAR



January 2006 L-Band (Sngl / Twin / Quad)



ALOS : Advanced Land Observing Satellite PALSAR : Phase Array L-Band SAR

RADARSAT - 2



December 2007 C-Band (Quad)



HH+VV|_{dB}

|HV|_{dB}

HH-VV



ALOS - 2





May 2014 L-Band (Quad)



ALOS2 : Advanced Land Observing Satellite PALSAR2 : Phase Array L-Band SAR





San Francisco Bay – (L-Band : ALOS-1 and ALOS-2)

Space-borne PolSAR Sensors Chang Zheng-4C - GaoFen-3 (GF-3) Long March-4C - High Resolution-3



August 2016 C-Band (Quad)



中国空间技术研究院 China Academy of Space Technology



Courtesy of Dr. Qiu Xiaolan



SAOCOM – SAR-L

RADARSAT Constellation Mission (RCM)





1A / 1B : Oct. 2018, August 2020 L-Band (Sngl, Dual, Quad) Revisit : 4 days 1A / 1B / 1C : June 2019 C-Band (Sngl, Dual, Quad, Hybrid) Revisit : 4 days



COSMO - SkyMed - CSG



7th Earth Explorer - BIOMASS





2A / 2B : Dec. 2019, Dec. 2020 X-Band (Sngl / Dual / Quad)

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Planned on 2022 P-Band (Quad)

NovaSAR - S





2018-2019

S-Band - resolution = 10-30m Sngl (HH,VV) / Dual (HH,VH) or (VV, HV) Tri (HH, VV, HV or VH) / Quad (HH, HV, VH, VV)

Space-borne PolSAR Sensors NISAR (NASA - ISRO SAR)



2020

L- and S-Band Sngl (HH,VV) / Dual (HH,VH) or (VV, HV) Quad (HH, HV, VH, VV) / Compact (RH, RV)

ALOS - 4



2020 L-Band (Quad) - Resolution 3 m - Footprint 100 km



ALOS-4 : Advanced Land Observing Satellite PALSAR-3 : Phase Array L-Band SAR







What About



Software / Toolbox ?



The Polarimetric SAR Data Processing and Educational Toolbox



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Package

(Calculator)

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- +3000 registered users
- +70 foreign countries
- + 4000 downloads (2020)

International Collaborative Project (4 Agencies, 19 Research Centres, 21 Universities)





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Learning / Training

Next P.I Generations





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L-Band (Quad)



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ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVE POLARISATION



PROPAGATION EQUATION

REAL ELECTRIC FIELD VECTOR $\vec{E}(z,t)$

MAXWELL EQUATIONS

MAXWELL – FARADAY EQUATION

MAXWELL – AMPERE EQUATION

 $\nabla \wedge \vec{E}(z,t) = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}(z,t)}{\partial t}$ $\nabla \wedge \vec{H}(z,t) = \vec{J}_T(z,t)$ $\nabla \cdot \vec{D}(z,t) = \rho(z,t)$ $\nabla \cdot \vec{B}(z,t) = 0$

GAUSS THEOREM

 $\vec{B}(z,t) = \mu \vec{H}(z,t) \quad \vec{J}_{C}(z,t) = \sigma \vec{E}(z,t)$ $\vec{D}(z,t) = \varepsilon \vec{E}(z,t) \quad \vec{J}_{T}(z,t) = \vec{J}_{C}(z,t) + \frac{\partial \vec{D}(z,t)}{\partial t}$

 σ (Conductivity) μ (Permeability) ε (Permittivity)

PROPAGATION EQUATION





PROPAGATION EQUATION



HELMHOLTZ PROPAGATION EQUATION

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}(z,t) - \mu \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}(z,t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

Source Free, Linear, Homogeneous, Isotropic, Dielectric and lossless Medium

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PROPAGATION EQUATION



COMPLEX ELECTRIC FIELD VECTOR $\underline{E}(z)$ With: $\vec{E}(z,t) = \Re\left(\underline{E}(z)e^{j\omega t}\right)$

HELMHOLTZ PROPAGATION EQUATION $\nabla^2 \underline{E}(z) + \underline{k}^2 \underline{E}(z) = \theta$

SOLUTION:
$$\underline{E}(z) = \underline{E}e^{-jkz}$$

With:
$$\underline{E} = \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ E_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{ox} e^{j\delta_x} \\ E_{oy} e^{j\delta_y} \\ E_{oz} e^{j\delta_z} \end{bmatrix}$$

SINUSOIDAL PLANE WAVE

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E}(z,t) = \theta \implies \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial z} = \theta$$

POLARISATION ELLIPSE





REAL ELECTRIC FIELD VECTOR

$$\vec{E}(z,t) = \begin{cases} E_x = E_{\theta x} \cos(\omega t - kz - \delta_x) \\ E_y = E_{\theta y} \cos(\omega t - kz - \delta_y) \\ E_z = \theta \end{cases}$$

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POLARISATION ELLIPSE





THE REAL ELECTRIC FIELD VECTOR MOVES IN TIME ALONG AN ELLIPSE

$$\left(\frac{E_x}{E_{\theta x}}\right)^2 - 2\frac{E_x E_y}{E_{\theta x} E_{\theta y}} \cos(\delta) + \left(\frac{E_y}{E_{\theta y}}\right)^2 = \sin^2(\delta)$$

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With: $\delta = \delta_v - \delta_x$

POLARISATION ELLIPSE



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POLARISATION HANDENESS



ROTATION SENSE: LOOKING INTO THE DIRECTION OF THE WAVE PROPAGATION

 $-\leq \tau \leq \frac{\pi}{-}$

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 $+\tau$

 \hat{x}



LEFT HANDED POLARISATION

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CLOCKWISE ROTATION

RIGHT HANDED POLARISATION

ELLIPTICITY ANGLE : $\tau < 0$

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ELLIPTICITY ANGLE : $\tau > 0$

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 $\underline{E}_{(\hat{x},\hat{y})} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\underline{E}_{(\hat{x},\hat{y})} = Ae^{+j\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi)\cos(\tau) - j\sin(\phi)\sin(\tau) \\ \sin(\phi)\cos(\tau) + j\cos(\phi)\sin(\tau) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} E_x = E_{ox}e^{j\delta_x} \\ E_y = E_{oy}e^{j\delta_y} \end{vmatrix}$$

GEOMETRICAL PARAMETERS

ABSOLUTE PHASE

$$\alpha = \delta_x$$

ORIENTATION ANGLE

$$\tan 2\phi = 2 \frac{E_{\theta x} E_{\theta y}}{E_{\theta x}^2 - E_{\theta y}^2} \cos \delta$$

AMPLITUDE

$$A = \sqrt{E_{\theta x}^2 + E_{\theta y}^2}$$

ELLIPTICITY ANGLE

$$\sin 2\tau = 2 \frac{E_{\theta x} E_{\theta y}}{E_{\theta x}^2 + E_{\theta y}^2} \sin \delta$$

POLARISATION HANDENESS: $Sign(\tau)$

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HORIZONTAL POLARISATION STATE

VERTICAL POLARISATION STATE



LEFT CIRCULAR POLARISATION STATE



RIGHT CIRCULAR POLARISATION STATE





JONES VECTOR

 $\underline{E} = \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{ox} e^{j\delta_x} \\ E_{oy} e^{j\delta_y} \end{bmatrix}$ $= A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_x$

POLARISATION ALGEBRA

NORM OF A JONES VECTOR $\|\underline{E}\| = \sqrt{E_{\theta x}^2 + E_{\theta y}^2}$ SCALAR PRODUCT $\langle \underline{A}, \underline{B} \rangle = \underline{A}^{T^*} \underline{B}$ ORTHOGONALITY $\langle \underline{A}, \underline{A}_{\perp} \rangle = 0$

 $\underline{E} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_x$

$\underline{E}_{\perp} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_{y}$

 $\underline{E} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_x$

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ORTHOGONAL JONES VECTOR $\underline{E}_{\perp} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_{y}$ $=A\begin{bmatrix}-\sin(\phi) & -\cos(\phi)\\\cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi)\end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix}\cos(\tau) & -j\sin(\tau)\\-j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau)\end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix}e^{+j\alpha} & 0\\0 & e^{-j\alpha}\end{bmatrix}\hat{u}_{x}$ $E_{\perp} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi + \frac{\pi}{2}) & -\sin(\phi + \frac{\pi}{2}) \\ \sin(\phi + \frac{\pi}{2}) & \cos(\phi + \frac{\pi}{2}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(-\tau) & j\sin(-\tau) \\ \sin(-\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_{x}$ ESA UNCLASSIFIED - FOR ESA Official Use Only





ORTHOGONALITY CONDITIONS

$$(\phi, \tau) \mapsto \begin{cases} \phi' = \phi + \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \tau' = -\tau \implies \text{ change of polarisation handeness} \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{E} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_x$$

ORTHOGONAL JONES VECTOR

$$\underline{E}_{\perp} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_{y}$$
$$\underbrace{\underline{E}, \underline{E}_{\perp}} = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{u}_{x}, \hat{u}_{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION

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JONES AND ORTHOGONAL JONES VECTORS

$$\underline{E}, \underline{E}_{\perp}] = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{u}_x, \hat{u}_y \end{bmatrix}$$

SU(2) : SPECIAL UNITARY TRANSFORMATION MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} U(\varphi,\tau,\alpha) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} U_2(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix}^{T^*} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{D2} \end{bmatrix}$ CONSERVATION OF THE WAVE ENERGY $det(\begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix}) = +1$ ENSURES THE CORRECT PHASE DEFINITION

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SU(2) : SPECIAL UNITARY TRANSFORMATION MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} U(\varphi,\tau,\alpha) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix}$$

ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{(A,A_{\perp})\mapsto(B,B_{\perp})} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U(\phi,\tau,\alpha) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} e^{j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & -j\sin(\tau) \\ -j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & \sin(\phi) \\ -\sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix}$$

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FROM LINEAR TO CIRCULAR BASIS

$\underline{E} = E_H \underline{H} + E_V \underline{V} = E_{LC} \underline{LC} + E_{LC_{\perp}} \underline{LC}_{\perp}$

$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{LC}, \underline{LC}_{\perp} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & j \\ j & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U(\varrho, \frac{\pi}{4}) \end{bmatrix} \implies \begin{bmatrix} U_{(\underline{H}, \underline{V}) \mapsto (\underline{LC}, \underline{LC}_{\perp})} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -j \\ -j & 1 \end{bmatrix}$



Ernst LÜNEBURG (PIERS95 - Pasadena)

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_{LC} \\ E_{LC_{\perp}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -j \\ -j & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_{H} \\ E_{V} \end{bmatrix}$$







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WAVE POLARIMETRY




SCATTERING POLARIMETRY





POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS



THE DIFFERENT TARGET POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS

[S] SINCLAIR Matrix
<u>k</u>, <u>Ω</u> Target Vectors
[K] KENNAUGH Matrix
[T] Coherency Matrix
[C] Covariance Matrix

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TRANSMITTER:

RECEIVERS:

X & Y

X & Y

JONES / SINCLAIR MATRIX

BISTATIC CASE

SCATTERING MATRIX or JONES MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_X^s \\ E_Y^s \end{bmatrix} = \frac{e^{jkr}}{r} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} & S_{XY} \\ S_{YX} & S_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_X^i \\ E_Y^i \end{bmatrix}$$



RECIPROCITY THEOREM

$$S_{XY} = S_{YX}$$

MONOSTATIC CASE

BACKSCATTERING MATRIX or SINCLAIR MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_X^s \\ E_Y^s \end{bmatrix} = \frac{e^{jkr}}{r} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} & S_{XY} \\ S_{XY} & S_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_X^i \\ E_Y^i \end{bmatrix}$$

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BACKSCATTERING MATRIX





ABSOLUTE BACKSCATTERING MATRIX

$$[S] = \frac{e^{jkr}e^{j\phi_{XX}}}{r} \begin{bmatrix} |S_{XX}| & |S_{XY}|e^{j(\phi_{XY}-\phi_{XX})} \\ |S_{XY}|e^{j(\phi_{XY}-\phi_{XX})} & |S_{YY}|e^{j(\phi_{YY}-\phi_{XX})} \end{bmatrix}$$

Absolute Phase Factor RELATIVE BACKSCATTERING MATRIX Five Parameters: 3 Amplitudes and 2 Phases

SCATTERER POLARIMETRIC DIMENSION = 5

SCATTERING POLARIMETRY







SCATTERING POLARIMETRY



Sinclair Color Coding



ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION





Pauli Color Coding (H,V)



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Pauli Color Coding (+45,-45)



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ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION





 $\begin{bmatrix} U_{(A,A_{\perp})\mapsto(B,B_{\perp})} \end{bmatrix}$

SU(2) SPECIAL UNITARY ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{(A,A_{\perp})\mapsto(B,B_{\perp})} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U(\phi,\tau,\alpha) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} e^{j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & -j\sin(\tau) \\ -j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & \sin(\phi) \\ -\sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(-\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(-\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(-\phi) \end{bmatrix}$$

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(+45°,-45°) POLARISATION BASIS





ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION





|LL+RR|

(LC,RC) POLARISATION BASIS

|LR |



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|LL-RR|

POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS





STATISTICAL DESCRIPTION

PARTIAL SCATTERING POLARIMETRY

KENNAUGH MATRIX



MONOSTATIC CASE





HUYNEN PARAMETERS

$$\begin{bmatrix} K \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{\theta} + B_{\theta} & C & H & F \\ C & A_{\theta} + B & E & G \\ H & E & A_{\theta} - B & D \\ F & G & D & -A_{\theta} + B_{\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

HUYNEN PARAMETERS



PHYSICAL INTERPRETATION MAN-MADE TARGET DECOMPOSITION IDENTIFICATION and ANALYSIS

- « PHENOMENOLOGICAL THEORY OF RADAR TARGETS » (1970)
- A0 : GENERATOR OF TARGET SYMMETRY
- **B0+B : GENERATOR OF TARGET NON-SYMMETRY**
- **B0-B : GENERATOR OF TARGET IRREGULARITY**
- C: GENERATOR OF TARGET GLOBAL SHAPE (LINEAR)
- D: GENERATOR OF TARGET LOCAL SHAPE (CURVATURE)
- E: GENERATOR OF TARGET LOCAL TWIST (TORSION)
- F: GENERATOR OF TARGET GLOBAL TWIST (HELICITY)
- **G**: **GENERATOR OF TARGET LOCAL COUPLING (GLUE)**
- H: GENERATOR OF TARGET GLOBAL COUPLING (ORIENTATION)

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POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS



THE DIFFERENT **TARGET POLARIMETRIC** DESCRIPTORS

[S]

[**C**]

SINCLAIR Matrix KENNAUGH Matrix Target Vectors <u>k, Ω</u> **Coherency Matrix Covariance Matrix**

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TRANSMITTER:

RECEIVERS:

X & Y

X & Y

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VECTORIAL FORMULATION OF THE SCATTERING PROBLEM

SCATTERING MATRIX
$$[S] = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} & S_{XY} \\ S_{YX} & S_{YY} \end{bmatrix}$$

SCATTERING VECTOR $\vec{S} := V([S]) = \frac{1}{2} Trace([S][\Psi]) = \begin{bmatrix} S1 \\ S2 \\ S3 \\ S4 \end{bmatrix} \in C_4$
With: $V([S])$ MATRIX VECTORISATION OPERATOR

 $[\Psi]$ SET OF ORTHOGONAL 2x2 MATRICES

FROBENIOUS NORM OF \vec{S} $\|\vec{S}\|^2 = \vec{S}^{T^*} \cdot \vec{S} = |S_1|^2 + |S_2|^2 + |S_3|^2 + |S_4|^2$ $= Span([S]) = |S_{XX}|^2 + |S_{YX}|^2 + |S_{XY}|^2 + |S_{YY}|^2$ ESA UNCLASSIFIED - For ESA Official Use Only $\vec{S} = 0$ (S) $\vec{S$



PAULI SCATTERING VECTOR $\underline{k} = V([S]) = \frac{1}{2} Trace([S][\psi_P])$

SET OF 2x2 COMPLEX MATRICES FROM THE PAULI MATRICES GROUP

$$[\psi_P] = \left\{ \sqrt{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \sqrt{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \sqrt{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \sqrt{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -j \\ j & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\underline{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} + S_{YY} & S_{XX} - S_{YY} & S_{XY} + S_{YX} & j(S_{XY} - S_{YX}) \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Advantage: Closer related to physical properties of the scatterer

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Note: Also known as <u>k</u>_{4P}



LEXICOGRAPHIC SCATTERING VECTOR $\underline{\Omega} = V([S]) = \frac{1}{2}Trace([S][\psi_L])$

SET OF 2x2 COMPLEX MATRICES FROM THE LEXICOGRAPHIC MATRICES GROUP $\begin{bmatrix} \psi_L \end{bmatrix} = \left\{ 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ $\boxed{\square}$ $\boxed{\square} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} & S_{XY} & S_{YX} & S_{YY} \end{bmatrix}^T$

Advantage: Directly related to the system measurables

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Note: Also known as <u>k_{4L}</u>



BISTATIC CASE >> MONOSTATIC CASE

Pauli Scattering Vector:

$$\underline{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} + S_{YY} \\ S_{XX} - S_{YY} \\ S_{XY} + S_{YX} \\ j(S_{XY} - S_{YX}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} + S_{YY} \\ S_{XX} - S_{YY} \\ 2S_{XY} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: Also known as <u>k</u>3P

Lexicographic Scattering Vector:

$$\underline{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} \\ S_{XY} \\ S_{YX} \\ S_{YX} \\ S_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \underline{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} \\ \sqrt{2}S_{XY} \\ S_{YY} \\ S_{YY} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Note: Also known as \underline{k}_{3L} © E. Pottier – 2021



SCATTERING VECTOR TRANSFORMATIONS

Pauli Scattering Vector:

Lexicographic Scattering Vector:

UNITARY TRANSFORMATION $\underline{k} = \begin{bmatrix} D_3 \end{bmatrix} \underline{\Omega} \quad and \quad \underline{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} D_3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \underline{k} = \begin{bmatrix} D_3 \end{bmatrix}^T \underline{k}$

WHERE $[D_3]$ IS A SU(3) MATRIX IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE NORM OF THE SCATTERING VECTOR

$$[D_3] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS



THE DIFFERENT **TARGET POLARIMETRIC** DESCRIPTORS

[S]

[K]

[T]

[C]

SINCLAIR Matrix KENNAUGH Matrix **Target Vectors k**, Ω **Coherency Matrix Covariance Matrix**

STATISTICAL DESCRIPTION

X & Y

X & Y

PARTIAL SCATTERING POLARIMETRY

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TRANSMITTER:

RECEIVERS:

COHERENCY MATRIX



MONOSTATIC CASE

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PAULI SCATTERING VECTOR k

$$\underline{k} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} + S_{YY} & S_{XX} - S_{YY} & 2S_{XY} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$



HERMITIAN POSITIVE SEMI-DEFINITE MATRIX - RANK 1

HUYNEN TARGET GENERATORS

$$T_{11} = 2A_0 = |S_{XX} + S_{YY}|^2 \qquad T_{22} = B_0 + B = |S_{XX} - S_{YY}|^2$$

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$$T_{33} = B_0 - B = 2|S_{XY}|^2$$

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TARGET GENERATORS



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$$T_{11} = 2A_{\theta} = \left|S_{XX} + S_{YY}\right|^2$$

$$T_{33} = B_0 - B = 2 \left| S_{XY} \right|^2$$

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$$T_{22} = B_0 + B = |S_{XX} - S_{YY}|^2$$

TARGET GENERATORS



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TARGET GENERATORS



(H,V) POLARISATION BASIS

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$$\begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

SPECIAL UNITARY SU(3) GROUP

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(2\phi) & \sin(2\phi) \\ 0 & -\sin(2\phi) & \cos(2\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\tau) & 0 & j\sin(2\tau) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ j\sin(2\tau) & 0 & \cos(2\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\alpha) & -j\sin(2\alpha) & 0 \\ -j\sin(2\alpha) & \cos(2\alpha) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} U_3(2\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_3(2\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_3(2\phi) \end{bmatrix}$$

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ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION





SIMILARITY TRANSFORMATION

POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS



THE DIFFERENT **TARGET POLARIMETRIC** DESCRIPTORS

[S]

[K]

[C]

SINCLAIR Matrix KENNAUGH Matrix **Target Vectors k**, Ω **Coherency Matrix Covariance Matrix**

STATISTICAL DESCRIPTION

X & Y

X & Y

PARTIAL SCATTERING POLARIMETRY

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TRANSMITTER:

RECEIVERS:

COVARIANCE MATRIX



BISTATIC CASE

LEXICOGRAPHIC SCATTERING VECTOR $\underline{\Omega}$ $\underline{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} & S_{XY} & S_{YX} & S_{YY} \end{bmatrix}^T$



COVARIANCE MATRIX



MONOSTATIC CASE

LEXICOGRAPHIC SCATTERING VECTOR $\underline{\Omega}$ $\underline{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} & \sqrt{2}S_{XY} & S_{YY} \end{bmatrix}^T$



$$[C] = \underline{\Omega} \cdot \underline{\Omega}^{*T} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} S_{XX}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{XX} S_{XY}^* & S_{XX} S_{YY}^* \\ \sqrt{2} S_{XY} S_{XX}^* & 2S_{XY} S_{XY}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{XY} S_{YY}^* \\ S_{YY} S_{XX}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{YY} S_{XY}^* & S_{YY} S_{YY}^* \end{bmatrix}$$

HERMITIAN POSITIVE SEMI DEFINITE MATRIX - RANK 1

ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION





COVARIANCE-COHERENCY MATRICES



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COHERENCY MATRIX

COVARIANCE MATRIX

$$[T] = \underline{k} \cdot \underline{k}^{*T} \qquad \underline{k} = [D_3] \underline{\Omega} \qquad [C] = \underline{\Omega} \cdot \underline{\Omega}^{*T}$$

UNITARY TRANSFORMATION $\begin{bmatrix} T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} D_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} D_3 \end{bmatrix}^{T*}$

[T] and [C] HAVE THE SAME EIGENVALUES

Both contain the same information about Polarimetric Scattering Amplitudes, Phase Angles and Correlations

[T] is closer related to Physical and Geometrical Properties of the Scattering Process, and thus allows a better and direct physical interpretation

[C] is directly related to the system measurables

POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS







ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION

$$\begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{SPECIAL UNITARY SU(2) GROUP} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & \theta \\ \theta & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\tau) & \theta & j\sin(2\tau) \\ \theta & 1 & \theta \\ j\sin(2\tau) & \theta & \cos(2\tau) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\alpha) & -j\sin(2\alpha) & \cos(2\alpha) & \theta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_3(2\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_3(2\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_3(2\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_3(2\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0(3) \text{ UNITARY GROUP} \\ U_3(2\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\tau & \theta & -\sin 2\tau \\ \theta & 1 & \theta \\ \sin 2\phi & \cos 2\phi & \theta \\ \theta & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\tau & \theta & -\sin 2\tau \\ 0 & 1 & \theta \\ \sin 2\tau & \theta & \cos 2\tau \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta & \theta \\ \theta & \sin 2\alpha & \cos 2\alpha \\ \theta & \sin 2\alpha & \cos 2\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

TARGET EQUATIONS



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TARGET EQUATIONS





5 DEGREES OF FREEDOM $|S_{XX}|, |S_{XY}|, |S_{YY}|$ $\phi_{XY-XX}, \phi_{YY-XX}$



KENNAUGH MATRIX [K] COHERENCY MATRIX [T]

9 HUYNEN REAL PARAMETERS (A0, B0, B, C, D, E, F, G, H)

COVARIANCE MATRIX [C] 9 REAL PARAMETERS |XX|, |XY|, |YY|, Re(XXXY*), Im(XXXY*) Re(XXYY*), Im(XXYY*) Re(XYYY*), Im(XYYY*)

9 - 5 = 4 TARGET EQUATIONS

TARGET EQUATIONS



PURE TARGET – MONOSTATIC CASE

$$\begin{bmatrix} T \end{bmatrix} = \underline{k} \cdot \underline{k}^{*T} = \begin{bmatrix} 2A_0 & C - jD & H + jG \\ C + jD & B_0 + B & E + jF \\ H - jG & E - jF & B_0 - B \end{bmatrix}$$

3x3 HERMITIAN MATRIX - RANK 1

$$2A_{\theta}(B_{\theta} + B) - C^{2} - D^{2} = \theta \qquad 2A_{\theta}(B_{\theta} - B) - G^{2} - H^{2} = \theta -2A_{\theta}E + CH - DG = \theta \qquad B_{\theta}^{2} - B^{2} - E^{2} - F^{2} = \theta C(B_{\theta} - B) - EH - GF = \theta \qquad -D(B_{\theta} - B) + FH - GE = \theta 2A_{\theta}F - CG - DH = \theta \qquad -G(B_{\theta} + B) + FC - ED = \theta H(B_{\theta} + B) - CE - DF = \theta$$

TARGET EQUATIONS







9-5=4 TARGET EQUATIONS $2A_0(B_0 + B) = C^2 + D^2$ $2A_0(B_0 - B) = G^2 + H^2$ $2A_0E = CH - DG$ $2A_0F = CG + DH$

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SCATTERING POLARIMETRY











ADVANCED CONCEPTS

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POLARIMETRIC REMOTE SENSING

SCATTERING POLARIMETRY





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POLARIMETRIC REMOTE SENSING





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SPECKLE PHENOMENON





OBSERVATION POINT



SURFACE ROUGHNESS WAVELENGTH

SCATTERING FROM DISTRIBUTED SCATTERERS

COHERENT INTERFERENCES OF WAVES SCATTERED FROM MANY RANDOMLY DISTRIBUTED ELEMENTARY SCATTERERS INSIDE THE RESOLUTION CELL

GRANULAR NOISE

ECKLE PHENOMENON

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SPECKLE PHENOMENON







Fully Developed speckle

Bright points: Points where the interference is constructive Dark points: Points where the interference is destructive Corner reflector Dominant scatter No speckle



S_{hh} amplitude E-SAR L-band system

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SPECKLE PHENOMENON

DISTORTION OF THE INTERPRETATION



SPECKLE FILTERING



HOMOGENEOUS AREA





HETEROGENEOUS AREA



DETAILS PRESERVATION (SPATIAL RESOLUTION)

SPECKLE REDUCTION (RADIOMETRIC RESOLUTION) A UNCLASSIFIED - FOT ESA Official Use Only



LINEAR SPECKLE FILTERS Intensity / Amplitude – Single / Multi Look – Single Pol Channel

Median Filter MAP Filter (Kuan) Gradient Filter Nagao Filter (Nagao) Sigma Filter (Lee) Frost Filter (Frost) Geometrical Filter (Crimmins) Morphological Filter (Safa, Flouzat)

Local Statistics Filter (Lee 80) Refined Lee Filter (Lee 81)

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J.S. Lee,"Refined filtering of image noise using local statistics," CVGIP, vol.15, 380-389, 1981.



Original 4-look amplitude

5x5 Boxcar



5x5 Median

Lee Refined (7x7)

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> Preserving polarimetric properties

- Filter all elements equally like multi-look Processing
- Select pixels with the same scattering property
- Introduce no cross-talk
 - > Filter each element separately but equally
- Reduce speckle while preserving image quality

J.S. Lee, M.R. Grunes and G. De Grandi, "Polarimetric SAR Speckle Filtering and Its Impact on Terrain Classification" *IEEE TGRS*, September 1999

POLARIMETRIC VECTORIAL SPECKLE FILTER

REFINED FILTER

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BoxCar Filter





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POLARIMETRIC SPECKLE FILTERING IS NOT AN EXACT SCIENCE SUBJECTIVE, IMAGE DEPENDENT

Quantitative Criteria (J.S. Lee - IGARSS 98)

- >Speckle Reduction (E.N.L)
- Edge Sharpness Preservation
- Line and Point Target Contrast Preservation
- Retention of Mean Values in Homogeneous Regions
- Retention of Texture Information
- Retention of Polarimetric Information (co, cross-correlations)
- Computational Efficiency
- Implementation Complexity

$$\left[\hat{T}\right] = E\left(\left[T\right]\right) - k\left[E\left(\left[T\right]\right) - \left[T\right]\right]$$

THE POLARIMETRIC SPECKLE LEE FILTER IS TODAY A GOOD COMPROMISE

POLSAR SPECKLE NOISE MODEL





POLSAR SPECKLE NOISE MODEL

MULTIPLICATIVE-ADDITIVE NOISE MODEL



C. López-Martínez and X. Fàbregas, "Polarimetric SAR Speckle Noise Model," IEEE TGRS, vol. 41, no. 10, pp. 2232 – 2242, Oct. 2003

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POLARIMETRIC REMOTE SENSING











AVERAGING DATA

SECOND ORDER STATISTICS



COHERENCY MATRICES $\langle [T] \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \underline{k}_{i} \underline{k}_{i}^{*T}$

SMOOTHING AVERAGING

CONCEPT OF THE DISTRIBUTED TARGET

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PURE TARGET

POLARIMETRIC DISTRIBUTED TARGET « DIMENSION » = 5

COHERENCY MATRIX [T]

9 REAL DEPENDANT HUYNEN PARAMETERS (A0,B0,B,C,D,E,F,G,H)



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DISTRIBUTED TARGET

POLARIMETRIC DISTRIBUTED TARGET « DIMENSION » = 9

COHERENCY MATRIX <[*T*]>

9 REAL INDEPENDANT HUYNEN PARAMETERS

(<A0>,<B0>,,<C>,<D>,<E>,<F>,<G>,<H>)

9 TARGET INEQUATIONS

 $2\langle \mathbf{A}_{0}\rangle (\langle \mathbf{B}_{0}\rangle + \langle \mathbf{B}\rangle) \geq \langle \mathbf{C}\rangle^{2} + \langle \mathbf{D}\rangle^{2}$ $2\langle \mathbf{A}_{0}\rangle (\langle \mathbf{B}_{0}\rangle - \langle \mathbf{B}\rangle) \geq \langle \mathbf{G}\rangle^{2} + \langle \mathbf{H}\rangle^{2}$ $\langle \mathbf{B}_{0} \rangle^{2} \geq \langle \mathbf{B} \rangle^{2} + \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle^{2} + \langle \mathbf{F} \rangle^{2}$

 $\langle \mathbf{H} \rangle (\langle \mathbf{B}_0 \rangle + \langle \mathbf{B} \rangle) \geq \langle \mathbf{C} \rangle \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{D} \rangle \langle \mathbf{F} \rangle$ $\langle \mathbf{G} \rangle (\langle \mathbf{B}_0 \rangle + \langle \mathbf{B} \rangle) \geq \langle \mathbf{C} \rangle \langle \mathbf{F} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{D} \rangle \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle$ $2\langle \mathbf{A}_{0}\rangle\langle \mathbf{E}\rangle\geq\langle \mathbf{C}\rangle\langle \mathbf{H}\rangle-\langle \mathbf{D}\rangle\langle \mathbf{G}\rangle \qquad \langle \mathbf{C}\rangle(\langle \mathbf{B}_{0}\rangle-\langle \mathbf{B}\rangle)\geq\langle \mathbf{H}\rangle\langle \mathbf{E}\rangle+\langle \mathbf{F}\rangle\langle \mathbf{G}\rangle$ $2\langle \mathbf{A}_{0}\rangle\langle \mathbf{F}\rangle\geq\langle \mathbf{C}\rangle\langle \mathbf{G}\rangle+\langle \mathbf{D}\rangle\langle \mathbf{H}\rangle \qquad \langle \mathbf{D}\rangle(\langle \mathbf{B}_{0}\rangle-\langle \mathbf{B}\rangle)\geq\langle \mathbf{F}\rangle\langle \mathbf{H}\rangle-\langle \mathbf{G}\rangle\langle \mathbf{E}\rangle$







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THE $H / A / \alpha$ POLARIMETRIC TARGET DECOMPOSITION THEOREM



$H/A/\underline{\alpha}$ DECOMPOSITION



TARGET VECTOR $\underline{k} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} + S_{YY} & S_{XX} - S_{YY} & 2S_{XY} \end{bmatrix}^T$

LOCAL ESTIMATE OF THE COHERENCY MATRIX $\langle [T] \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \underline{k}_{i} \cdot \underline{k}_{i}^{*T} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} [T_{i}]$

EIGENVECTORS / EIGENVALUES ANALYSIS

$$\langle [T] \rangle = [U_3] [\Sigma] [U_3]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix}^{*T}$$
ORTHOGONAL REAL FIGENVALUES

EIGENVECTORS

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 $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \lambda_3$

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$H/A/\underline{\alpha}$ DECOMPOSITION



$$\langle [T] \rangle = [U_3] [\Sigma] [U_3]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix}^* I$$

ORTHOGONALREAL EIGENVALUESEIGENVECTORS $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \lambda_3$

PARAMETERISATION OF THE SU(3) UNITARY MATRIX



$H/A/\alpha$ DECOMPOSITION



PROBABILITIES

$$P_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\sum\limits_{k=1}^{3} \lambda_k}$$

AVERAGED PARAMETERS

$$\underline{\alpha} = P_1 \alpha_1 + P_2 \alpha_2 + P_3 \alpha_3 \quad \underline{\beta} = P_1 \beta_1 + P_2 \beta_2 + P_3 \beta_3$$
$$\underline{\gamma} = P_1 \gamma_1 + P_2 \gamma_2 + P_3 \gamma_3 \quad \underline{\delta} = P_1 \delta_1 + P_2 \delta_2 + P_3 \delta_3$$

UNITARY TARGET VECTOR (\underline{u}_{θ}) OF THE MEAN DOMINANT MECHANISM

 $\underline{u}_{0} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\underline{\alpha}) & \sin(\underline{\alpha})\cos(\underline{\beta}) e^{j\underline{\delta}} & \sin(\underline{\alpha})\sin(\underline{\beta}) e^{j\underline{\gamma}} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$

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$H/A/\alpha$ DECOMPOSITION



MEAN SCATTERING MECHANISM

UNITARY VECTOR \underline{u}_{0}

TARGET MAGNITUDE

 $\underline{u}_{0} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\underline{\alpha}) \\ \sin(\underline{\alpha})\cos(\underline{\beta})e^{j\underline{\delta}} \\ \sin(\underline{\alpha})\sin(\underline{\beta})e^{j\underline{\gamma}} \end{bmatrix}$

 $\underline{\lambda} = P_1 \lambda_1 + P_2 \lambda_2 + P_3 \lambda_3 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda_i^2}{\sum_{k=1}^3 \lambda_k}$

TARGET VECTOR \underline{k}_{θ}

 $\underline{k}_{0} = \sqrt{\underline{\lambda}} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\underline{\alpha}) \\ \sin(\underline{\alpha})\cos(\underline{\beta}) e^{j\underline{\delta}} \\ \sin(\underline{\alpha})\sin(\underline{\beta}) e^{j\underline{\gamma}} \end{bmatrix}$

$H/A/\alpha$ DECOMPOSITION





 $\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\underline{\alpha})$ $\sqrt{\underline{\lambda}} \sin(\underline{\alpha}) \cos(\underline{\beta})$ $B_0 - B$ $B_0 + B$ $\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{2}} \frac{\sin(\alpha)}{\sin(\beta)} \sin(\beta)$ © E. Pottier – 2021 ASSIFIED - For ESA Official Use Only

 $2A_0$

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ROLL INVARIANCE PROPERTY

SAME PHYSICAL PHENOMENOUS WHATEVER THE ANTENNA ORIENTATION ANGLE AROUND THE RADAR LINE OF SIGHT

ORIENTED ($\boldsymbol{\theta}$) COHERENCY MATRIX

SU(3) UNITARY ROTATION MATRIX (θ)

$$\langle [T(\theta)] \rangle = [U_R(\theta)] \langle [T] \rangle [U_R(\theta)]^{-1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_R(\theta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ 0 & -\sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

EIGENVECTORS / EIGENVALUES ANALYSIS $\langle [T(\theta)] \rangle = [U_3(\theta)] [\Sigma] [U_3(\theta)]^{-1}$

EIGENVALUES $\lambda_1 \ \lambda_2 \ \lambda_3$: ROLL INVARIANT

PROBABILITIES P_1 P_2 P_3 : ROLL INVARIANT

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EIGENVECTORS UNITARY MATRIX $\begin{bmatrix} U_3(\theta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U_R(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_3 \end{bmatrix}$

PARAMETERIZATION OF THE UNITARY MATRIX





 $\underline{\alpha} = P_1 \alpha_1 + P_2 \alpha_2 + P_3 \alpha_3$: ROLL INVARIANT

PHYSICAL INTERPRETATION

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 $\underline{\alpha}$ PHYSICAL INTERPRETATION



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EIGENVALUES $\lambda_1 \ \lambda_2 \ \lambda_3$: ROLL INVARIANT PROBABILITIES $P_1 \ P_2 \ P_3$: ROLL INVARIANT

ENTROPY

(DEGREE OF RANDOMNESS STATISTICAL DISORDER)

$$H = -\sum_{i=1}^{3} P_i \log_3(P_i)$$



PURE TARGET $\lambda_1 = SPAN \quad \lambda_2 = 0 \quad \lambda_3 = 0$ **DISTRIBUTED TARGET** $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = SPAN/3$

H = 0

H = 1

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DIFFICULT MECHANISM DISCRIMINATION WHEN : H > 0.7

ANISOTROPY (EIGENVALUES SPECTRUM)

COMPLEMENTARY TO ENTROPY

DISCRIMINATION WHEN H > 0.7







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$H/A/\alpha$ DECOMPOSITION











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3 MECHANISMS

H(1-A)



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0.5

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TARGET DECOMPOSITIONS



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COHERENT

TARGET DECOMPOSITION

(1990)





ERNST KROGAGER

(1990)

DECOMPOSITION

 $|S| \rightarrow$ THREE COHERENT COMPONENTS

$$\begin{bmatrix} S \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a+b & c \\ c & a-b \end{bmatrix} = e^{j\phi} \{k_S[S_S] + e^{j\phi_R}(k_D[S_D] + k_H[S_H])\}$$

SINGLE BOUNCE **DOUBLE BOUNCE HELICAL SCATTERING SCATTERING SCATTERING**

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$$[S] = e^{j\phi} \left\{ k_{S} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + e^{j\phi_{R}} \left(k_{D} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{k_{H}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \pm j \\ \pm j & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right\}$$

ROTATION AROUND THE RADAR LINE OF SIGHT $[U] = \begin{bmatrix} cos(\theta) & sin(\theta) \\ -sin(\theta) & cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S(\theta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} S \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= e^{j\phi} \left\{ k_s \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta \\ \theta & 1 \end{bmatrix} + e^{j\phi_R} \left(k_D \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\theta) & \sin(2\theta) \\ \sin(2\theta) & -\cos(2\theta) \end{bmatrix} \cdots + \frac{k_H e^{\pm j2\theta}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \pm j \\ \pm j & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right\}$$



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 $[S] = e^{j\phi} \begin{bmatrix} k_s + e^{j\phi_R} \left\{ k_p \cos(2\theta) + \frac{\hat{k}_H}{2} \right\} & e^{j\phi_R} \left\{ k_p \sin(2\theta) \pm j \frac{\hat{k}_H}{2} \right\} \\ e^{j\phi_R} \left\{ k_p \sin(2\theta) \pm j \frac{\hat{k}_H}{2} \right\} & k_s - e^{j\phi_R} \left\{ k_p \cos(2\theta) + \frac{\hat{k}_H}{2} \right\} \end{bmatrix}$ AVEC: $\hat{k}_{H} = k_{H} e^{\mp j 2\theta}$ $\underline{k} = \sqrt{2}e^{j\phi} \left[k_{s} \quad e^{j\phi_{R}} \left\{ k_{D} \cos(2\theta) + \frac{\hat{k}_{H}}{2} \right\} \quad e^{j\phi_{R}} \left\{ k_{D} \sin(2\theta) \pm j \frac{\hat{k}_{H}}{2} \right\} \right]$ $\underline{k} = \sqrt{2}k_{s}e^{j\phi}\begin{bmatrix}1\\0\\0\end{bmatrix} + \hat{k}_{H}e^{j(\phi+\phi_{R})}\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{bmatrix}0\\1\\\pm j\end{bmatrix} + \sqrt{2}k_{D}e^{j(\phi+\phi_{R})}\begin{bmatrix}0\\\cos(2\theta)\\\sin(2\theta)\end{bmatrix}$ © E. Pottier – 2021



SINGLE SCATTERING CONTRIBUTION

$$k_s = \sqrt{A_0} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} S_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



HELICAL SCATTERING CONTRIBUTION

$$k_{H} = \sqrt{B_{0} + |F|} - \sqrt{B_{0} - |F|} \qquad [S_{H}] = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \pm j \\ \pm j & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



















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$$\underline{k} = \sqrt{2k_s} e^{j\phi} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} + \hat{k}_{H} e^{j(\phi+\phi_R)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\\varepsilon j \end{bmatrix} + \sqrt{2k_b} e^{j(\phi+\phi_R)} \begin{bmatrix} 0\\\cos(2\theta)\\\sin(2\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

EIGENVECTORS OF [U_{3R}(φ)] (ROLL INVARIANCE)

NO ORTHOGONALITY OF THE TARGETS COMPONENTS

COHERENT DECOMPOSITION and SPECKLE FILTERING ?

TARGET DECOMPOSITIONS



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TARGET DICHOTOMY

DECOMPOSITIONS











R. M. BARNES

(1988)







$$\langle [T] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \langle 2A_{\theta} \rangle & \langle C \rangle - j \langle D \rangle & \langle H \rangle + j \langle G \rangle \\ \langle C \rangle + j \langle D \rangle & \langle B_{\theta} \rangle + \langle B \rangle & \langle E \rangle + j \langle F \rangle \\ \langle H \rangle - j \langle G \rangle & \langle E \rangle - j \langle F \rangle & \langle B_{\theta} \rangle - \langle B \rangle \end{bmatrix} = [T_{\theta}] + [T_{N}]$$

PURE TARGET

$$[T_{\theta}] = \begin{bmatrix} \langle 2A_{\theta} \rangle & \langle C \rangle - j \langle D \rangle & \langle H \rangle + j \langle G \rangle \\ \langle C \rangle - j \langle D \rangle & B_{\theta T} + B_{T} & E_{T} + jF_{T} \\ \langle H \rangle - j \langle G \rangle & E_{T} - jF_{T} & B_{\theta T} - B_{T} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_{0N} + B_N & E_N + jF_N \\ 0 & E_N - jF_N & B_{0N} - B_N \end{bmatrix}$$

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BARNES DECOMPOSITION



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3 SINGLE TARGET VECTORS

$$\underline{k}_{01} = \frac{\langle [T] \rangle \underline{q}_{1}}{\sqrt{\underline{q}_{1}^{T*}} \langle [T] \rangle \underline{q}_{1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\langle 2A_{\theta} \rangle}} \begin{bmatrix} \langle 2A_{\theta} \rangle \\ \langle C \rangle + j \langle D \rangle \\ \langle H \rangle - j \langle G \rangle \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{HUYNEN}} \underbrace{\text{Decomposition}}_{(\text{SYMMETRIC WORLD})}$$

$$\underline{k}_{02} = \frac{\langle [T] \rangle \underline{q}_{2}}{\sqrt{\underline{q}_{2}^{T*}} \langle [T] \rangle \underline{q}_{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(\langle B_{\theta} \rangle - \langle F \rangle)}} \begin{bmatrix} \langle C \rangle - \langle G \rangle + j \langle H \rangle - j \langle D \rangle \\ \langle B_{\theta} \rangle + \langle B \rangle - \langle F \rangle + j \langle E \rangle \\ \langle E \rangle + j \langle B_{\theta} \rangle - j \langle B \rangle - j \langle F \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{k}_{03} = \frac{\langle [T] \rangle \underline{q}_{3}}{\sqrt{\underline{q}_{3}^{T*}} \langle [T] \rangle \underline{q}_{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(\langle B_{\theta} \rangle + \langle F \rangle)}} \begin{bmatrix} \langle H \rangle + \langle D \rangle + j \langle C \rangle + j \langle G \rangle \\ \langle E \rangle + j \langle B_{\theta} \rangle + j \langle B \rangle + j \langle F \rangle \\ \langle B_{\theta} \rangle - \langle B \rangle + \langle F \rangle + j \langle E \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

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BARNES DECOMPOSITION





BARNES DECOMPOSITION







HUYNEN DECOMPOSITION

TARGET DICHOTOMY : PURE TARGET + N TARGET

ROLL INVARIANCE OF THE FORM OF THE N-TARGET

NO UNICITY : 3 DIFFERENT DECOMPOSITIONS

MAN-MADE TARGET DECOMPOSITION IDENTIFICATION - ANALYSIS

TARGET DECOMPOSITIONS



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EIGENVECTOR BASED

DECOMPOSITION







WILLIAM A. HOLM (1988)



PROPRIETY

EIGENVALUE PROBLEM IS AUTOMATICALLY

BASIS INVARIANT



GENERATE A DIAGONAL FORM OF THE COHERENCY MATRIX



PHYSICALLY INTERPRETATION AS STATISTICAL INDEPENDENCE BETWEEN A SET OF VECTORS



GENERAL DECOMPOSITION INTO INDEPENDENT SCATTERING PROCESSES



COHERENCY MATRIX

 $\langle [T] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \langle 2A_0 \rangle & \langle C \rangle - j \langle D \rangle & \langle H \rangle + j \langle G \rangle \\ \langle C \rangle + j \langle D \rangle & \langle B_0 \rangle + \langle B \rangle & \langle E \rangle + j \langle F \rangle \\ \langle H \rangle - j \langle G \rangle & \langle E \rangle - j \langle F \rangle & \langle B_0 \rangle - \langle B \rangle \end{bmatrix}$

$\langle [T] \rangle = [U_3] [\Sigma] [U_3]^{-1}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \lambda_2 & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}_{\lambda_1 \ge \lambda_2 \ge \lambda_3}$$

3x3 DIAGONAL MATRIX OF EIGENVALUES



SU(3) UNITARY MATRIX (EIGENVECTORS)

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SHANE R. CLOUDE



(1985-1992)

DECOMPOSITION

IDENTIFICATION OF THE DOMINANT SCATTERING MECHANISM

VIA THE

EXTRACTION OF THE LARGEST EIGENVALUE

$\langle [T] \rangle = [U_3 [\Sigma [U_3]^{-1} \Rightarrow [T_1] = \lambda_1 \underline{u}_1 \underline{u}_1^{T*} = \underline{k}_1 \underline{k}_1^{T*}$
S.R. CLOUDE DECOMPOSITION







S.R. CLOUDE DECOMPOSITION





 $B_0 + B$ $B_0 - B$ $2A_{o}$

 $\sqrt{\lambda_1} |\boldsymbol{u}_{11}| \sqrt{\lambda_1} |\boldsymbol{u}_{12}| \sqrt{\lambda_1} |\boldsymbol{u}_{13}|$



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WILLIAM A. HOLM

(1988) DECOMPOSITION

ALTERNATIVE PHYSICAL INTERPRETATION

OF THE EIGENVALUES SPECTRUM $\begin{bmatrix} \Sigma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}$

 $\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}$ UNCLASSIFIED - FOR ESA OPCIAL USE ONLY $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix}$ (E. Pottier - 2021)





TARGET PLUS NOISE

(AVERAGE)

HYBRID APPROACH OF THE HUYNEN MODEL

(VARIANCE)

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CONCEPT OF:

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(UNPOLARIZED)











 $B_0 + B$ $B_0 - B$ $2A_{o}$ ESA UNCLASSIFIED - For ESA Official Use Only



TARGET DECOMPOSITIONS



R. TOUZI (TSVM 2007)

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TARGET DECOMPOSITION FOR TARGETS WITH REFLECTION SYMMETRY



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SCATTERING SYMMETRIES

MEDIUM WITH REFLECTION SYMMETRY



SCATTERING SYMMETRIES



MEDIUM WITH ROTATION SYMMETRY

(H.C. Van de HULST - 1981)



EIGENVECTORS OF
$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{3P}^{R} \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\begin{bmatrix} U_{3P}^{R} \end{bmatrix} \underline{q} = \lambda \underline{q}$
 $\underline{q}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \underline{q}_{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ j \end{bmatrix} \underline{q}_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ j \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

 $\langle [T(\theta)] \rangle = [R_3(\theta)] \langle [T] \rangle [R_3(\theta)]^{-1}$

With:

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_3(\theta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(2\theta) & \sin(2\theta) \\ 0 & -\sin(2\theta) & \cos(2\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{array}{l} \langle \left[T_{R} \right] \rangle &= \alpha \underline{q}_{1} \underline{q}_{1}^{T^{*}} + \beta \underline{q}_{2} \underline{q}_{2}^{T^{*}} + \gamma \underline{q}_{3} \underline{q}_{3}^{T^{*}} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta + \gamma & -j(\beta - \gamma) \\ 0 & j(\beta - \gamma) & \beta + \gamma \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

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SCATTERING SYMMETRIES

MEDIUM WITH AZIMUTHAL SYMMETRY

(S.H. NGHIEM et al. - 1992)

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_{PR} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta + \gamma & -j(\beta - \gamma) \\ 0 & j(\beta - \gamma) & \beta + \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_{QR} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta + \gamma & j(\beta - \gamma) \\ 0 & -j(\beta - \gamma) & \beta + \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

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AZIMUTHAL SYMMETRY = REFLECTION + ROTATION SYMMETRIES

$$\langle [T] \rangle = [T_{PR}] + [T_{QR}] = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta + \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta + \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

SCATTERING SYMMETRIES



COHERENCY MATRIX

General Case

$$\langle [T] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 & T_3 \\ T_2^* & T_4 & T_5 \\ T_3^* & T_5^* & T_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation Symmetry

$$\langle [T] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & T_4 & T_5 \\ 0 & T_5^* & T_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Reflection Symmetry

$$\langle \llbracket T \rrbracket \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 & 0 \\ T_2^* & T_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & T_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Azimuthal Symmetry

$$\langle [T] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & T_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & T_4 \end{bmatrix}$$



A. FREEMAN – S. DURDEN

(1992)









TARGET DECOMPOSITION FOR TARGETS WITH REFLECTION SYMMETRY

MODEL BASED DECOMPOSITION A. FREEMAN – S. DURDEN (1992)





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3 COMPONENTS SCATTERING MECHANISM MODEL



SINGLE SCATTERING DOUBLE SCATTERING

VOLUME SCATTERING

SINGLE SCATTERING (ROUGH SURFACE)



COHERENCY MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} |\beta+1|^2 & (\beta+1)(\beta-1)^* & 0\\ (\beta+1)^*(\beta-1) & |\beta-1|^2 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} f_s = |R_v|^2$$

DOUBLE SCATTERING

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MECHANISM

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_{D} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{GH} R_{TH} & 0 \\ 0 & -R_{GV} R_{TV} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow \underline{k}_{D} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{GH} R_{TH} - R_{GV} R_{TV} \\ R_{GH} R_{TH} + R_{GV} R_{TV} \end{bmatrix}$$

COHERENCY MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} |\alpha - 1|^{2} & (\alpha - 1)(\alpha + 1)^{*} & 0 \\ (\alpha - 1)^{*}(\alpha + 1) & |\alpha + 1|^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} f_{D} = |R_{GV}R_{TV}|^{2}$$



3 COMPONENTS SCATTERING MECHANISM MODEL $\langle [T] \rangle = [T_S] + [T_D] + [T_V]$

> SINGLE SCATTERING

DOUBLE SCATTERING VOLUME SCATTERING

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$$T_{11} = f_{S} |\beta + 1|^{2} + f_{D} |\alpha - 1|^{2} + \frac{4 f_{V}}{3}$$

$$T_{12} = f_{S} (\beta + 1) (\beta - 1)^{*} + f_{D} (\alpha - 1) (\alpha + 1)^{*}$$

$$T_{22} = f_{S} |\beta - 1|^{2} + f_{D} |\alpha + 1|^{2} + \frac{2 f_{V}}{3}$$

$$T_{33} = \frac{2 f_{V}}{3}$$

5 UNKNOWN REAL COEFFICIENTS

4 OBSERVED EQUATIONS

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$$if \Re\left(\left\langle S_{XX}S_{YY}^{*}\right\rangle - \frac{f_{V}}{3}\right) \ge 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha = +1$$
$$if \Re\left(\left\langle S_{XX}S_{YY}^{*}\right\rangle - \frac{f_{V}}{3}\right) \le 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta = +1$$

$$\{f_S, |\boldsymbol{\beta}|, f_D, |\boldsymbol{\alpha}|, f_V\}$$

 $span = \langle T_{11} \rangle + \langle T_{22} \rangle + \langle T_{33} \rangle = f_{s} (1 + \beta^{2}) + f_{D} (1 + |\alpha|^{2}) + \frac{2}{3} f_{V}$

 SINGLE BOUNCE
 DOUBLE DOUBLE
 VOLUME

 SCATTERING
 SCATTERING
 SCATTERING
 SCATTERING

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 (ODD)
 (DBL)
 (VOL)

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 $ODD = f_{S}(1 + \beta^{2})$ $DBL = f_{D}(1 + \alpha^{2})$ $VOL = \frac{2f_{V}}{3}$ $ODD = f_{S}(1 + \alpha^{2})$ $VOL = \frac{2f_{V}}{3}$ $ODD = \frac{2}{3}$ $ODD = \frac{2}{3}$ $B_{\theta} - B$ $B_0 + B$ $2A_{o}$ INCLASSIFIED - For ESA Official Use Only

TARGET DECOMPOSITION FOR TARGETS WITHOUT REFLECTION SYMMETRY

MODEL BASED - 4 COMPONENTS DECOMPOSITION Y. YAMAGUCHI et al. (2005 - 2013)



MEDIUM WITHOUT ANY REFLECTION SYMMETRY



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ODD DBL VOL

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Yamaguchi decomposition

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ODD DBL VOL

TARGET DECOMPOSITION FOR TARGETS WITHOUT REFLECTION SYMMETRY

MODEL BASED - 4 / 5 / 6 COMPONENTS DECOMPOSITION (2015 - 2017)



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ODD DBL VOL Singh decomposition – 6 components

TARGET DECOMPOSITIONS



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TARGET DECOMPOSITION FOR TARGETS WITH / WITHOUT REFLECTION SYMMETRY

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ADAPTATIVE MODEL-BASED DECOMPOSITION

$$[C'_{\text{remainder}}] = \langle [C] \rangle - f_v \langle [C_{\text{vol}}(\theta_0, \sigma)] \rangle$$

$$\langle [C_{\text{vol}}(\theta_0, \sigma)] \rangle = [C_\alpha] + p(\sigma)[C_\beta] + q(\sigma)[C_\gamma].$$



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TARGET DECOMPOSITIONS



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$H/A/\underline{\alpha}$ DECOMPOSITION



TARGET VECTOR $\underline{k} = \frac{I}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} + S_{YY} & S_{XX} - S_{YY} & 2S_{XY} \end{bmatrix}^T$

LOCAL ESTIMATE OF THE COHERENCY MATRIX $\langle [T] \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \underline{k}_{i} \cdot \underline{k}_{i}^{*T} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} [T_{i}]$

EIGENVECTORS / EIGENVALUES ANALYSIS

$$\langle [T] \rangle = [U_3] [\Sigma] [U_3]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{u}_1 & \underline{u}_2 & \underline{u}_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{u}_1 & \underline{u}_2 & \underline{u}_3 \end{bmatrix}^*$$

 $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \lambda_3$

EIGENVECTORS

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 $P_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\sum_{k=1}^{3} \lambda_k}$



S.E.R.D and D.E.R.D PARAMETERS

(Single- and Double-bounce Eigenvalue Relative Difference)

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$$SERD = \frac{\lambda_{S} - \lambda_{3_{NOS}}}{\lambda_{S} + \lambda_{3_{NOS}}} \qquad DERD = \frac{\lambda_{D} - \lambda_{3_{NOS}}}{\lambda_{D} + \lambda_{3_{NOS}}}$$



POLARIZATION FRACTION $PF = 1 - \frac{3\lambda_3}{Span} = 1 - \frac{3\lambda_3}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3}$

 $0 \le PF \le 1$

POLARIZATION ASYMMETRY

$$PA = \frac{(\lambda_1 - \lambda_3) - (\lambda_2 - \lambda_3)}{(\lambda_1 - \lambda_3) + (\lambda_2 - \lambda_3)} = \frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2}{Span - 3\lambda_3} \qquad 0$$
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 $0 \le PA \le 1$

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RADAR VEGETATION INDEX $RVI = \frac{4\lambda_3}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3} \qquad 0 \le RVI \le \frac{4}{3}$

PEDESTAL HEIGHT $PH = \frac{\min(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)}{\max(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)} = \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} \qquad 0 \le PH \le 1$



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ALTERNATIVE ENTROPY PARAMETERS DERIVATION

Normalized Coherency Matrix

$$\mathbf{N}_{3} = \left\langle \underline{\mathbf{k}}^{T^{*}} \cdot \underline{\mathbf{k}} \right\rangle^{-1} \left\langle \underline{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \underline{\mathbf{k}}^{T^{*}} \right\rangle = \frac{\mathbf{T}_{3}}{\mathbf{Tr}(\mathbf{T}_{3})}$$

 $H \approx 2.52 + 0.78 \log_3(|N_3 + 0.16I_{D3}|)$

ENTROPY

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ALTERNATIVE ENTROPY PARAMETERS DERIVATION

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SHANNON POLARIMETRIC ENTROPY (2006) $SE = log(\pi^{3}e^{3}|T_{3}|) = SE_{I} + SE_{P}$ $SE_{I} = 3log\left(\frac{\pi e I_{T}}{3}\right) = 3log\left(\frac{\pi e \operatorname{Tr}(T_{3})}{3}\right)$ $SE_{P} = log(1 - p_{T}^{2}) = log\left(27\frac{|T_{3}|}{\operatorname{Tr}(T_{3})^{3}}\right)$ Use Only

INTENSITY

DEGREE OF POLARIZATION

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TARGET SCATTERING VECTOR

MODEL DECOMPOSITION

R. TOUZI (2010)



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$$\langle [T] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} U_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix}^{*T}$$

ORTHOGONALREAL EIGENVALUESEIGENVECTORS $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \lambda_3$

PARAMETERISATION OF THE EIGENVECTOR

 $\begin{bmatrix} \cos\alpha e^{j\phi} \\ \sin\alpha \cos\beta e^{j\phi} e^{j\delta} \\ \sin\alpha \sin\beta e^{j\phi} e^{j\gamma} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos 2\psi & -\sin 2\psi \\ 0 & \sin 2\psi & \cos 2\psi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\alpha_s \cos 2\tau_m \\ \sin\alpha_s e^{j\phi\alpha_s} \\ -j\cos\alpha_s \sin 2\tau_m \end{bmatrix}$

 ψ : Target Orientation τ_m : Target Helicity

 α_{s} , $\phi_{\alpha_{s}}$: Symmetric scattering type vector parameters

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H/<u>α</u> CLASSIFICATION





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SEGMENTATION OF THE H / α SPACE



$H/\underline{\alpha}$ CLASSIFICATION



H - $\underline{\alpha}$ classification



 $B_0 + B$ $B_0 - B$ $2A_0$



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POLSAR DATA DISTRIBUTION IN THE H / α PLANE



$H/\underline{\alpha}$ / span CLASSIFICATION



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$H - \underline{\alpha}$ ($\underline{\lambda}$) classification



$H/\underline{\alpha}$ CLASSIFICATION



H- $\underline{\alpha}$ classification



H / $\underline{\alpha}$ Classification Space Sub-divised into 9 basic zones

Location of the boundaries is arbitrary and generically

Degree of arbitrariness on the setting of these boundaries

Segmentation is offered merely to illustrate the unsupervised classification strategy and to emphasize the geometrical segmentation of physical scattering processes



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Target Vector

 $\underline{X} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{HH} & \sqrt{2}S_{HV} & S_{VV} \end{bmatrix}^T \qquad P(\underline{X}) = \frac{1}{\pi^3 \| [C] } e^{-\underline{X}^{*T} [C]^{-1} \underline{X}}$

 $\underline{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} S_{HH} + S_{VV} & S_{HH} - S_{VV} & 2S_{HV} \end{bmatrix}^T \qquad P(\underline{k}) = \frac{1}{\pi^3 [T]} e^{-\underline{k}^{*T} [T]^{-1} \underline{k}}$

$$\langle [T] \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \underline{k}_{i} \cdot \underline{k}_{i}^{*T} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} [T_{i}]$$

 $P(\langle [T] \rangle / [T_m]) = \frac{L^{Lp} |\langle [T] \rangle|^{L-p} e^{-LTr([T_m]^{-1} \langle [T] \rangle)}}{\pi^{\frac{p(p-1)}{2}} \Gamma(L) ... \Gamma(L-p+1) [T_m]^L}$ COMPLEX WISHART DISTRIBUTION

L: Number of Look p: Polarimetric Dimension

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$$P(\langle [T] \rangle / [T_m]) = \frac{L^{Lp} |\langle [T] \rangle|^{L-p} e^{-LTr([T_m]^{-1} \langle [T] \rangle)}}{\pi^{\frac{p(p-1)}{2}} \Gamma(L) ... \Gamma(L-p+1) [T_m]^{L-p}}$$

BAYES MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURE $\langle [T] \rangle \in [T_m]$ if $P([T_m]/\langle [T] \rangle) \ge P([T_j]/\langle [T] \rangle) \quad \forall \ j \neq m$

Applying Bayes rule $P([T_m]/\langle [T] \rangle) = \frac{P(\langle [T] \rangle / [T_m])}{P(\langle [T] \rangle)} P([T_m])$

It follows $\langle [T] \rangle \in [T_m] \quad if \quad P(\langle [T] \rangle / [T_m]) P([T_m]) \ge P(\langle [T] \rangle / [T_j]) P([T_j]) \quad \forall \ j \neq m$ ESA UNCLASSIFIED - For ESA Official Use Only $[T_m]$: Cluster Center of the class m(P = Pottier - 2021) = 278



$$P(\langle [T] \rangle / [T_m]) = \frac{L^{Lp} |\langle [T] \rangle|^{L-p} e^{-LTr([T_m]^{-1} \langle [T] \rangle)}}{\pi^{\frac{p(p-1)}{2}} \Gamma(L) ... \Gamma(L-p+1) [T_m]^{L-p}}$$

BAYES MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURE

$$\langle [T] \rangle \in [T_m] \quad if \quad d_m(\langle [T] \rangle) < d_j(\langle [T] \rangle) \quad \forall j \neq m$$

with

 $d_m(\langle [T] \rangle) = LTr([T_m]^{-1}\langle [T] \rangle) + L\ln([T_m]) - \ln(P([T_m])) + K$

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ROBUSTENESS OF WISHART CLASSIFIER $d_m(\langle [T] \rangle) = LTr([T_m]^{-1} \langle [T] \rangle) + L \ln([T_m]) - \ln(P([T_m])) + K$

INDEPENDENT OF # OF LOOKS INDEPENDENT OF POLARIZATION BASIS [*T*] or [*C*] IDENTICAL CLASSIFICATION RESULTS For Dual-Pol (*p*=2), PolSAR (*p*=3), Pol-InSAR (*p*=6)

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k - mean CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURE



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4th ITERATION

C5

C6 C7 C8

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2 Successive k - mean Classification procedures



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 $B_0 + B$ $B_0 - B$



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 $2A_0$

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ICE AREA JPL - AIRSAR L-band



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C4

C5

C13 C14

C6

C7

C15

C8
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 $B_0 + B$

 $B_0 - B$

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H / A / $\underline{\alpha}$ and WISHART CLASSIFIER





 $2A_0$

 $B_0 - B$ $B_0 + B$

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8 C9 C10 C11 C12 C13 C14 C15 C16





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C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8
C9	C10	C11	C12	C13	C14	C15	C16

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FREEMAN DECOMPOSITION



Courtesy of Dr J.S Lee



Freeman and Durden

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PROCEDURE – FLOW CHART



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Wishart Iteration – After Class Merge

Classification Maps



Note: Stability insures good convergence

Courtesy of Dr J.S Lee



Courtesy of Dr J.S Lee





4th Iteration (15 classes)



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 $2A_0 \qquad B_0 + B \qquad B_0 - B$

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4th Iteration (15 classes)



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POLARIMETRIC INTERFEROMETRIC SAR (Pol-InSAR)

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$$\langle [T_6] \rangle = \langle \underline{k} \cdot \underline{k}^{T*} \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \langle \underline{k}_1 \cdot \underline{k}_1^{T*} \rangle & \langle \underline{k}_1 \cdot \underline{k}_2^{T*} \rangle \\ \langle \underline{k}_2 \cdot \underline{k}_1^{T*} \rangle & \langle \underline{k}_2 \cdot \underline{k}_2^{T*} \rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle [T_1] \rangle & \langle [\Omega_{12}] \rangle \\ \langle [\Omega_{12}]^{T*} \rangle & \langle [T_2] \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

POLARIMETRIC INTERFEROMETRIC COHERENCY MATRIX (6x6)

 $\langle [T_1] \rangle$ **HERMITIAN POLARIMETRIC COHERENCY MATRIX (3x3)** $\langle [T_2] \rangle$ **HERMITIAN POLARIMETRIC COHERENCY MATRIX (3x3)** $[\boldsymbol{\Omega}_{12}]$ NON HERMITIAN POLARIMETRIC INTER-COHERENCY MATRIX (3x3) ASSIFIED - For ESA Official Use Only - +





DUAL CHANNELS POLINSAR UNSUPERVISED SEGMENTATION

$$\langle [T_6] \rangle = \langle \underline{k} \cdot \underline{k}^{T*} \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \langle \underline{k}_1 \cdot \underline{k}_1^{T*} \rangle & \langle \underline{k}_1 \cdot \underline{k}_2^{T*} \rangle \\ \langle \underline{k}_2 \cdot \underline{k}_1^{T*} \rangle & \langle \underline{k}_2 \cdot \underline{k}_2^{T*} \rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle [T_1] \rangle & \langle [\Omega_{12}] \rangle \\ \langle [\Omega_{12}]^{T*} \rangle & \langle [T_2] \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

POLARIMETRIC INTERFEROMETRIC COHERENCY MATRIX (6x6)

$$\langle [T_6] \rangle \quad \text{FOLLOWS A WISHART DISTRIBUTION}$$

$$P(\langle [T_6] \rangle / [\Sigma_m]) = \frac{|\langle [T_6] \rangle|^{L-p} \exp(-tr([\Sigma_m]^{-1}\langle [T_6] \rangle))}{K(L,p)[\Sigma_m]^L} = W_C(L, [\Sigma_m])$$

$$\stackrel{\text{L: Number of Look}}{\underset{p: \text{ Polarimetric Dimension}}{\overset{p(p-1)}{L^{Lp}}} \Gamma(L)...\Gamma(L-p+1)$$

$$[\Sigma_m]: \text{Cluster Center of the class } m$$

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DLR E-SAR L Band Pol-In SAR (1.5m x 3m) – Baseline 15m

POL-SAR INFORMATION

IN-SAR INFORMATION $Arg(\gamma)$

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DLR E-SAR L Band Pol-In SAR (1.5m x 3m) – Baseline 5m

POL-SAR INFORMATION

IN-SAR INFORMATION γ

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HETEROGENEOUS AREA

DIFFERENT POLARIMETRIC SCATTERING MECHANISMS

HOMOGENEOUS AREA

CONSTANT INTERFEROMETRIC COHERENCE









HOMOGENEOUS AREA



HETEROGENEOUS AREA

SAME POLARIMETRIC SCATTERING MECHANISMS

DIFFERENT INTERFEROMETRIC COHERENCE

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INTERFEROMETRIC COHERENCE γ





Wishart H-A- $\underline{\alpha}$ segmentation





Optical Image



INSAR Image



POLSAR Image



VOL POLINSAR Segmentation



POLSAR Segmentation



POLINSAR Segmentation



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 $B_0 + B$

 $B_{\theta} - B$

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 $2A_0$





DLR E-SAR L Band – Pol-InSAR (1.5m x 3m) – Baseline 5m







IN-SAR INFORMATION $|\gamma|$

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Oriented Targets segmented from Vegetated Areas







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WAVE POLARIMETRY





CURRENT / FUTURE SENSORS









POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS



THE DIFFERENT WAVE POLARIMETRIC DESCRIPTORS

<u>E</u> Jones Vector
<u>g</u> Stokes Vector
[C] Covariance Matrix

TRANSMITTER: RECEIVERS: X X & Y

JONES VECTOR



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$$\underline{E} = \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{ox} e^{j\delta_x} \\ E_{oy} e^{j\delta_y} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{u}_x$$

Special Unitary Pauli Matrices Group – SU(2) $\begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\phi) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\tau) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{+j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-j\alpha} \end{bmatrix}$ EXAMPLE 2. FOR EASA Official Use Only EXAMPLE A = 0(Constrained on the constrained on



REAL REPRESENTATION OF THE POLARISATION STATE OF A MONOCHROMATIC WAVE

$$\underline{E} \cdot \underline{E}^{T^*} = \begin{bmatrix} E_x E_x^* & E_x E_y^* \\ E_y E_x^* & E_y E_y^* \end{bmatrix}$$

PAULI MATRICES GROUP

$$\sigma_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \sigma_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta \\ \theta & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \sigma_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta & 1 \\ 1 & \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad \sigma_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta & -j \\ j & \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{E} \cdot \underline{E}^{T^*} = \frac{1}{2} \{ g_{\theta} \sigma_{\theta} + g_1 \sigma_1 + g_2 \sigma_2 + g_3 \sigma_3 \} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} g_{\theta} + g_1 & g_2 - jg_3 \\ g_2 + jg_3 & g_{\theta} - g_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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JONES VECTOR

$$\underline{E} = \begin{bmatrix} E_x = E_{ox} e^{j\delta_x} \\ E_y = E_{oy} e^{j\delta_y} \end{bmatrix}$$

STOKES VECTOR

$$\underline{g}_{E} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{\theta} = |E_{x}|^{2} + |E_{y}|^{2} \\ g_{1} = |E_{x}|^{2} - |E_{y}|^{2} \\ g_{2} = 2\Re(E_{x}E_{y}^{*}) \\ g_{3} = -2\Im(E_{x}E_{y}^{*}) \end{bmatrix}$$

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STOKES VECTOR

$$\underline{g}_{\underline{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{\theta} = E_{\theta x}^{2} + E_{\theta y}^{2} \\ g_{1} = E_{\theta x}^{2} - E_{\theta y}^{2} \\ g_{2} = 2E_{\theta x}E_{\theta y}\cos(\delta) \\ g_{3} = 2E_{\theta x}E_{\theta y}\sin(\delta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{\theta} = A^{2} \\ g_{1} = A^{2}\cos 2\phi\cos 2\tau \\ g_{2} = A^{2}\sin 2\phi\cos 2\tau \\ g_{3} = A^{2}\sin 2\phi\cos 2\tau \\ g_{3} = A^{2}\sin 2\tau \end{bmatrix}$$

GEOMETRICAL PARAMETERS

ORIENTATION ANGLE

$$\tan 2\phi = 2 \frac{E_{\theta x} E_{\theta y}}{E_{\theta x}^2 - E_{\theta y}^2} \cos \delta = \frac{g_2}{g_1}$$

$$\sin 2\tau = 2 \frac{E_{\theta x} E_{\theta y}}{E_{\theta x}^2 + E_{\theta y}^2} \sin \delta = \frac{g}{g_{\theta y}}$$

ELLIPTICITY ANGLE

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HORIZONTAL POLARISATION STATE

VERTICAL POLARISATION STATE



LEFT CIRCULAR POLARISATION STATE



RIGHT CIRCULAR POLARISATION STATE



ELLIPTICAL BASIS TRANSFORMATION

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

HOMOMORPHISM SU(2) - O(3) $\begin{bmatrix} O_3(2\theta) \end{bmatrix}_{p,q} = \frac{1}{2} Tr(\llbracket U_2(\theta) \rrbracket^{T*} \sigma_p \llbracket U_2(\theta) \rrbracket \sigma_q)$ $(\sigma_p, \sigma_q) : \text{Pauli Matrices}$
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JONES VECTOR

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$$E = A \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\phi) & -\sin(\phi) \\ \sin(\phi) & \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\tau) & j\sin(\tau) \\ j\sin(\tau) & \cos(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{-j\alpha} & \theta \\ \theta & e^{j\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \hat{\mu}_{x}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\sigma) \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$HOMOMORPHISM SU(2) - O(3)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0_{3}(2\theta) \end{bmatrix}_{p,q} = \frac{1}{2} Tr \left(\begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\theta) \end{bmatrix}^{T*} \sigma_{p} \begin{bmatrix} U_{2}(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \sigma_{q} \right)$$

$$(\sigma_{p}, \sigma_{q}) : Pauli Matrices$$

$$TOKES VECTOR$$

$$= A^{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta & \theta & 0 \\ \theta & \cos(2\phi) & -\sin(2\phi) & \theta \\ \theta & \sin(2\phi) & \cos(2\phi) & \theta \\ \theta & \sin(2\phi) & \cos(2\phi) & \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta & \theta & \theta \\ \theta & \cos(2\tau) & \theta & -\sin(2\tau) \\ \theta & \sin(2\tau) & \theta & \cos(2\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta & \theta & \theta \\ \theta & \sin(2\alpha) & \cos(2\alpha) \\ \theta & \sin(2\alpha) & \cos(2\alpha) \end{bmatrix} g_{\hat{\mu}}$$

$$E = A^{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \theta & \theta \\ \theta & \cos(2\phi) & -\sin(2\phi) \\ \theta & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \theta & \theta & \theta \\ 0 & \cos(2\tau) & \theta & -\sin(2\tau) \\ \theta & \sin(2\tau) & \theta & \cos(2\tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin(2\alpha) & \cos(2\alpha) \end{bmatrix} g_{\hat{\mu}}$$



STOKES VECTOR

$$\underline{g}_{E} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{\theta} \\ g_{1} \\ g_{2} \\ g_{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \left| E_{x} \right|^{2} + \left| E_{y} \right|^{2} \\ \left| E_{x} \right|^{2} - \left| E_{y} \right|^{2} \\ 2\Re(E_{x}E_{y}^{*}) \\ -2\Im(E_{x}E_{y}^{*}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{\theta x}^{2} + E_{\theta y}^{2} \\ E_{\theta x}^{2} - E_{\theta y}^{2} \\ 2E_{\theta x}E_{\theta y}\cos(\delta) \\ 2E_{\theta x}E_{\theta y}\sin(\delta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{2} \\ A^{2}\cos 2\phi\cos 2\tau \\ A^{2}\sin 2\phi\cos 2\tau \\ A^{2}\sin 2\phi\cos 2\tau \\ A^{2}\sin 2\tau \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\{g_{\theta}\} \quad \text{TOTAL WAVE INTENSITY} \\ \{g_1, g_2, g_3\} \quad \text{POLARISED WAVE INTENSITIES}$

$$g_{\theta}^2 = g_1^2 + g_2^2 + g_3^2$$

WAVE FULLY POLARISED

 $\{g_1, g_2, g_3\}$ Spherical Coordinates of a

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point P on a sphere with radius g_{θ}











JONES VECTOR

ORTHOGONAL JONES VECTOR

 $\underline{E}_{\perp} = \begin{bmatrix} E'_{x} \\ E'_{y} \end{bmatrix}$



ORTHOGONALITY CONDITIONS $(\phi, \tau) \mapsto \begin{cases} \phi' = \phi + \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \tau' = -\tau \end{cases}$

STOKES VECTOR

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ORTHOGONAL STOKES VECTOR

$$\underline{g}_{\underline{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{\theta} \\ g_{1} \\ g_{2} \\ g_{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ A\cos 2\phi \cos 2\tau \\ A\sin 2\phi \cos 2\tau \\ A\sin 2\tau \end{bmatrix} \qquad \underline{g}_{\underline{E}_{\perp}} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{\theta} \\ g_{1} \\ g_{2} \\ g_{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ -A\cos 2\phi \cos 2\tau \\ -A\sin 2\phi \cos 2\tau \\ -A\sin 2\tau \end{bmatrix}$$

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DETERMINISTIC SCATTERING

RANDOM SCATTERING

COMPLETELY POLARISED WAVE

PARTIALLY POLARISED WAVE

Polarisation Ellipse varies in time Amplitude, Phase: Random processes

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STATISTICAL DESCRIPTION



JONES VECTORS $\{\underline{E}\}$

 $\langle [J] \rangle = \langle \underline{E} \underline{E}^{T^*} \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \langle |E_x|^2 \rangle & \langle E_x E_y^* \rangle \\ \langle E_y E_x^* \rangle & \langle |E_y|^2 \rangle \end{bmatrix}$

$$\langle [J] \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \langle g_{\theta} \rangle + \langle g_{1} \rangle & \langle g_{2} \rangle - j \langle g_{3} \rangle \\ \langle g_{2} \rangle + j \langle g_{3} \rangle & \langle g_{\theta} \rangle - \langle g_{1} \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\langle \boldsymbol{g}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \rangle^{2} \geq \langle \boldsymbol{g}_{1} \rangle^{2} + \langle \boldsymbol{g}_{2} \rangle^{2} + \langle \boldsymbol{g}_{3} \rangle^{2}$$

PARTIALLY POLARISED WAVES



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EIGENVALUES DECOMPOSITION

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} J \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \lambda_1 \underline{u}_1 \underline{u}_1^{T*} + \lambda_2 \underline{u}_2 \underline{u}_2^{T*}$$

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2 ORTHOGONAL EIGENVECTORS

 $\begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2 \end{bmatrix}$

2 REAL EIGENVALUES

$$\lambda_{1} = \frac{1}{2} \{ \langle g_{\theta} \rangle + \sqrt{\langle g_{1} \rangle^{2} + \langle g_{2} \rangle^{2} + \langle g_{3} \rangle^{2} } \}$$

$$\lambda_{2} = \frac{1}{2} \{ \langle g_{\theta} \rangle - \sqrt{\langle g_{1} \rangle^{2} + \langle g_{2} \rangle^{2} + \langle g_{3} \rangle^{2} } \}$$



PARTIALLY POLARISED WAVES DESCRIPTORS

Degree of Polarisation

Wave Entropy

$$H = -\sum_{i=1}^{i=2} p_i \log_2(p_i)$$

With:

 $p_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}$

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Degree of randomness, statistical disorder

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 $0 \le H \le 1$

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Anisotropy



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WAVE DESCRIPTORS

MONOCHROMATIC PLANE WAVES



POLARIMETRIC REMOTE SENSING









YX

XX





POLARIMETRIC REMOTE SENSING







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PARTIALLY POLARISED PLANE WAVES

COMPLEX DOMAIN REAL DOMAIN $\langle \boldsymbol{g}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} angle$ $\langle \boldsymbol{g}_1 \rangle$ COVARIANCE MATRIX $\langle [J] \rangle = \langle \underline{E} \underline{E}^{T^*} \rangle$ STOKES VECTOR \underline{g}_{E} \boldsymbol{g}_2 $\langle \boldsymbol{g}_{\boldsymbol{3}} \rangle$ PLANE WAVES FULLY DESCRIBED **BY 4 INDEPENDANT PARAMETERS** $\cdot \left\langle \left| \boldsymbol{E}_{x} \right|^{2} \right\rangle, \left\langle \boldsymbol{E}_{x} \boldsymbol{E}_{y}^{*} \right\rangle, \left\langle \boldsymbol{E}_{y} \boldsymbol{E}_{x}^{*} \right\rangle, \left\langle \left| \boldsymbol{E}_{y} \right|^{2} \right\rangle$ $\cdot \{\langle g_{\theta} \rangle, \langle g_{1} \rangle, \langle g_{2} \rangle, \langle g_{3} \rangle\}$ WAVE POLARIMETRIC DIMENSION = 4 ESA UNCLASSIFIED - For ESA Official Use Only

POLARIMETRIC REMOTE SENSING









YX

XX







3 COMPONENTS SCATTERING MECHANISM MODEL $\langle [T] \rangle = [T_S] + [T_D] + [T_V]$

UNITARY TRANSFORMATION $[T] = [D_3][C][D_3]^{T*}$

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COVARIANCE MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_3 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{\Omega} \cdot \underline{\Omega}^{*T} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} S_{XX}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{XX} S_{XY}^* & S_{XX} S_{YY}^* \\ \sqrt{2} S_{XY} S_{XX}^* & 2S_{XY} S_{XY}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{XY} S_{YY}^* \\ S_{YY} S_{XX}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{YY} S_{XY}^* & S_{YY} S_{YY}^* \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{bmatrix} J \end{bmatrix} = \underline{E} \cdot \underline{E}^{T*} = \begin{bmatrix} E_x E_x^* & E_x E_y^* \\ E_y E_x^* & E_y E_y^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} S_{XX}^* & S_{XX} S_{XY}^* \\ S_{XY} S_{XX}^* & S_{XY} S_{XY}^* \end{bmatrix}$

COVARIANCE MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_3 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{\Omega} \cdot \underline{\Omega}^{*T} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} S_{XX}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{XX} S_{XY}^* & S_{XX} S_{YY}^* \\ \sqrt{2} S_{XY} S_{XX}^* & 2S_{XY} S_{XY}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{XY} S_{YY}^* \\ S_{YY} S_{XX}^* & \sqrt{2} S_{YY} S_{XY}^* & S_{YY} S_{YY}^* \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{bmatrix} J \end{bmatrix} = \underline{E} \cdot \underline{E}^{T*} = \begin{bmatrix} E_x E_x^* & E_x E_y^* \\ E_y E_x^* & E_y E_y^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{XX} S_{XX}^* & S_{XX} S_{XY}^* \\ S_{XY} S_{XX}^* & S_{XY} S_{XY}^* \end{bmatrix}$

SINGLE SCATTERING (ROUGH SURFACE)

DUAL - POL (XX, XY)



 $\begin{bmatrix} C_{3S} \end{bmatrix} = f_{S} \begin{bmatrix} \beta^{2} & 0 & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} C_{2S} \end{bmatrix} = f_{S} \begin{bmatrix} \beta^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

DOUBLE SCATTERING



$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{3D} \end{bmatrix} = f_D \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 0 & -\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\alpha & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} C_{2D} \end{bmatrix} = f_D \begin{bmatrix} \alpha^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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VOLUME SCATTERING

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} C_{2V} \end{bmatrix} = f_V \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$
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$$\langle [C_3] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} f_S \beta^2 + f_D \alpha^2 + f_V & 0 & f_S \beta - f_D \alpha + \frac{f_V}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{2f_V}{3} & 0 \\ f_S \beta - f_D \alpha + \frac{f_V}{3} & 0 & f_S + f_D + f_V \end{bmatrix}$$

DUAL - POL (XX, XY)

$$\langle [C_2] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} f_S \beta^2 + f_D \alpha^2 + f_V & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{f_V}{3} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \text{TWIN - POL} (XX, YY)$$

$$\langle [C_2] \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} f_S \beta^2 + f_D \alpha^2 + f_V & f_S \beta - f_D \alpha + \frac{f_V}{3} \\ f_S \beta - f_D \alpha + \frac{f_V}{3} & f_S + f_D + f_V \end{bmatrix}$$
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$H/A/\underline{\alpha}$ DECOMPOSITION



WAVE COVARIANCE MATRIX

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{C}_{2} \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \left\langle \underline{\boldsymbol{E}} \underline{\boldsymbol{E}}^{T^{*}} \right\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \left\langle \left| \boldsymbol{E}_{x} \right|^{2} \right\rangle & \left\langle \boldsymbol{E}_{x} \boldsymbol{E}_{y}^{*} \right\rangle \\ \left\langle \boldsymbol{E}_{y} \boldsymbol{E}_{x}^{*} \right\rangle & \left\langle \left| \boldsymbol{E}_{y} \right|^{2} \right\rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

EIGENVECTORS / EIGENVALUES ANALYSIS

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} C_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \lambda_1 \underline{u}_1 \underline{u}_1^{T^*} + \lambda_2 \underline{u}_2 \underline{u}_2^{T^*}$$

2 ORTHOGONAL EIGENVECTORS $\begin{bmatrix} U_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{u}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\alpha_i) \\ \sin(\alpha_i) e^{j\delta_i} \end{bmatrix}$

 $\begin{array}{c} 2 \text{ REAL EIGENVALUES} \quad \lambda_1 > \lambda_2 \\ \text{ESA UNCLASSIFIED - FOR ESA Official Use Only} \end{array}$

$H/A/\underline{\alpha}$ DECOMPOSITION



PROBABILITIES

$$P_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\sum_{k=1}^2 \lambda_k}$$

AVERAGED PARAMETERS

 $\underline{\alpha} = P_1 \alpha_1 + P_2 \alpha_2$ $\underline{\delta} = P_1 \delta_1 + P_2 \delta_2$ $\underline{\lambda} = P_1 \lambda_1 + P_2 \lambda_2$

JONES VECTOR \underline{E}_{θ} $\underline{E}_{\theta} = \sqrt{\underline{\alpha}} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\underline{\alpha}) \\ \sin(\underline{\alpha})e^{j\underline{\delta}} \end{bmatrix}$





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Alpha

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Delta

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$H/A/\underline{\alpha}$ DECOMPOSITION



Degree of Polarisation = Anisotropy

 $DoP = \frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}$

Wave Entropy

$$H = -\sum_{i=1}^{l=2} p_i \log_2(p_i)$$

Shannon Entropy

$$SE = log(\pi^2 e^2 |C_2|) = SE_I + SE_P$$

$$SE_{I} = 2\log\left(\frac{\pi e I_{T}}{2}\right) = 2\log\left(\frac{\pi e Tr(C_{2})}{2}\right)$$
$$SE_{P} = \log\left(1 - p_{T}^{2}\right) = \log\left(4\frac{|C_{2}|}{Tr(C_{2})^{2}}\right)$$





Shannon - Entropy

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POLARIMETRIC DECOMPOSITION esa

DUAL-POL EIGENVALUES / EIGENVECTORS ANALYSIS

DUAL-POL MODEL BASED

 $\langle [C_2] \rangle \equiv [C_2]_? \oplus \cdots$

ELLIPSOMETRIC DECOMPOSITION ?

PHYSICAL MEANINGS ?

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