

EXPORTS-NA LISST data processing

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Cruise name: EXPORTS 02, EXPORTS NA

Ship: RSS James Cook

Location: Porcupine Abyssal Plain (PAP)

North Atlantic Dates at sea: 2021/05/02 to
2018/05/31

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Sequoia LISST serial numbers 1183

We use a calibration independent technique (Slade et al., 2010) to obtain particulate attenuation (cp) and particulate volume scattering function (VSF) at 670 nm by differencing measurements with a 0.2um filter from measurements made with no filter. Dissolved absorption and attenuation are obtained by subtracting daily MilliQ run from 0.2um filtered measurements. Filters are exchanged weekly and flow-tubes are cleaned every day. Switching between filtered and unfiltered measurements is done every 60min (50min total, 10min dissolved).

Bad VSF are removed manually and arise, generally from bubbles going through the instrument. For each minute, the remaining data between 15th and 75th percentiles are binned-averaged and their standard deviation is kept for reporting. The particulate bins are processed by subtracting the filtered measurements from the unfiltered measurements. Filtered values needed to obtain the particulate values are interpolated to the time of particulate measurements linearly.

The LISST measurements are processed using standard procedures described in Boss et al. 2018, Agrawal and Pottsmith 2000, and Sequoia Processing Manual (2008). Resulting products submitted to SeaBASS includes the particulate forward volume scattering function (VSF), beam attenuation (cp) and the particulate size distribution (PSD).

The *dcal* provided by the manufacturer was generating an artefact in the VSF at 9.941° (ring 30). To correct the issue the original *dcal*(30) of 5.0166411 was replaced by 2.6. While the new *dcal*(30) looked realistic for the majority of the spectrums, when the instrument was internally changing gain settings to one different for which the *dcal* was tuned, the VSF was unrealistic and thereafter replaced by the interpolated VSF at 9.941° based on the other angles. Unrealistic value are defined as ratio between the measured and interpolated value greater than 15%.

The code used for processing is available at: <https://github.com/OceanOptics/InLineAnalysis/>

The calibration parameters used are:

ZSC = [2.203500e+001, 2.568500e+001, 2.503000e+001, 2.986000e+001, 2.842500e+001, 3.283000e+001, 3.077000e+001, 3.659500e+001, 2.978000e+001, 3.552000e+001, 3.198000e+001, 4.216000e+001, 3.916500e+001, 4.662500e+001, 3.974000e+001, 4.454000e+001, 4.403500e+001, 4.604500e+001, 4.430000e+001, 4.510500e+001, 4.719500e+001, 3.850000e+001, 5.373000e+001, 2.664000e+001, 3.180500e+001, 1.655500e+001, 2.205500e+001, 1.554000e+001, 1.422000e+001, 1.123000e+001, 8.780000e+000, 8.555000e+000, 1.515000e+003, 1.167900e+003, 6.410000e+001, 1.055150e+003, 7.700000e+001, 2.116600e+003, 1.807000e+003, 5.476500e+003]

DCAL = [1.0000000e+000, 1.0038000e+000, 9.9360000e-001, 1.0027000e+000, 9.9720000e-001, 9.9570000e-001, 9.9030000e-001, 9.9430000e-001, 9.9290000e-001, 9.9000000e-001, 9.9290000e-001, 9.9300000e-001, 9.9150000e-001, 9.9300000e-001, 9.9230000e-001, 9.9090000e-001, 1.1032000e+000, 1.1123000e+000, 1.2430000e+000, 1.1562000e+000, 1.3273000e+000, 1.1999000e+000, 1.0740000e+000, 1.7489000e+000, 1.5382000e+000, 2.5109000e+000, 2.5468000e+000, 3.5504000e+000, 3.9338000e+000, 2.6, 7.5143548e+000, 1.2528083e+001]

VCC = 48493

Spherical Inversion

DS = [1.2500, 1.4750, 1.7405, 2.0538, 2.4235, 2.8597, 3.3744, 3.9818, 4.6986, 5.5443, 6.5423, 7.7199, 9.1095, 10.7492, 12.6841, 14.9672, 17.6613, 20.8403, 24.5916, 29.0180, 34.2413, 40.4047, 47.6776, 56.2595, 66.3863, 78.3358, 92.4362, 109.0747, 128.7082, 151.8757, 179.2133, 211.4717, 249.5366]

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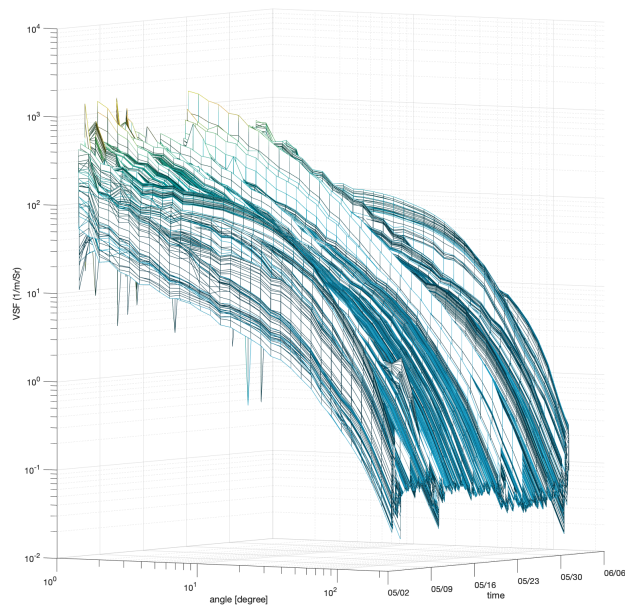


Figure 1. Calibrated VSF measured with the LISST

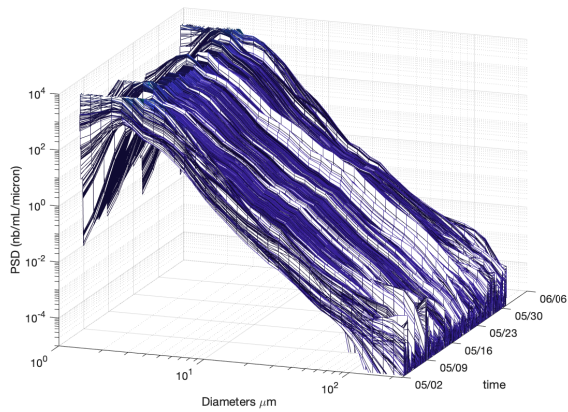


Figure 2. PSD derived from the LISST

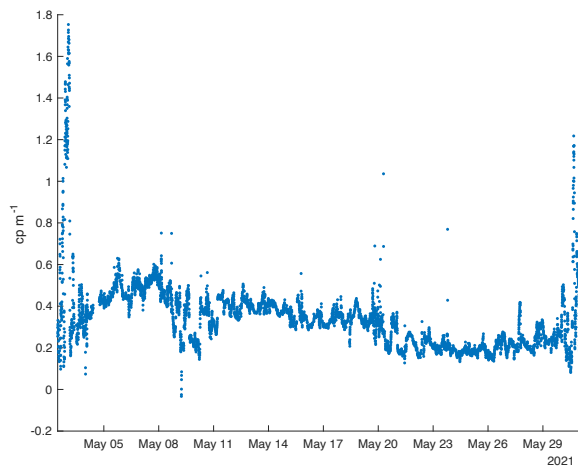


Figure 3. Beam attenuation measured with the LISST