CPC New OLR Data Set

Shaorong Wu¹, Yanjuan Guo^{1,2}, Hai-Tien Lee^{1,2,3}, Pingping Xie¹

NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC
 ERT, Inc.
 Univ. of Maryland/ESSIC

March 26, 2024

Objectives

- Estimation of OLR made from satellite measurements has been widely used for over 40 years;
- The old AVHRR-based OLR data set has to be terminated;
- Our goal is to construct a homogeneous long-term OLR data set, called CPC Blended OLR (CBO)
 - •on 0.25°lat/lon, 1.0°lat/lon, 2.5°lat/lon, and CORe Gaussian global grids and in daily, pentad, weekly, and monthly time resolutions;
 - •for a **30-year+** period from 1991 to the present;
 - •updated on a quasi real-time basis at a latency of less than 18 hours;
 - •by combining retrievals and estimation from multiple sources.

Data and Methodologies [1/2]

- Utilize the NASA CERES broadband OLR retrievals (Level 2) as the backbone of the new OLR data set covering a period from 2000 to the (delayed) present;
- Take the NESDIS NUCAPS hyperspectral OLR retrievals (Level 2) to fill in the real-time gaps for recent months when the broadband OLR is not available;
- Use the HIRS OLR retrievals (Level 2) to back extend the new OLR to historical period before 2000;
- Produce hourly OLR estimation from geostationary IR window channel TBB (GEO OLR) to quantify the diurnal cycle of OLR;

Data and Methodologies [2/2]

- Both the NUCAPS hyperspectral OLR and HIRS OLR retrievals are calibrated against the CERES broadband OLR through matching the Probability Density Function (PDF) using collocated data;
- PDF matching ensures quantitative agreements in both the mean values and the occurrence frequencies for OLR of various intensities;
- PDF matching is performed with consideration of regional differences and seasonal evolution of the correction coefficients.

Sample New OLR Products 1) Daily Mean OLR



Sample New OLR Products 2) Monthly Mean OLR



Anomaly





Anomaly



Climatology





Variability 1) ENSO





Variability



Phase 5 90N 60N 30N EQ 30S 60S 60W 6ÓE 180 120W Ó. 120E 60W Phase 6 90N 60N 30N EQ 30S 60S 6ÓE 120E 180 120W Ó. 6ÓW Phase 7 90N 60N 30N EQ 30S 60S 120E 120W 6ÔE 180 6ÓW Ó. Phase 8 90N 60N 30N EQ 30S 605 6ÓW 120E 180 120W 60E 60W 0

2

-2

5

10

15

20

Summary

- A new OLR data set, called CPC Blended OLR (CBO), has been constructed through blending Level 2 retrievals from multiple sources for 1991 to the present and is updated on a quasi real-time basis (available on CPC's ftp site: https://ftp.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/precip/CBO_V1);
- OLR in the CORe reanalysis agrees quite well with the observation-based CBO in general distribution patterns but presents differences in magnitude (CORe is warmer);
- We're exploring the optimal strategy to extend the CBO back to 1981.

Thank you !