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What are you looking at with a light sensor? A view from statistics and sensors

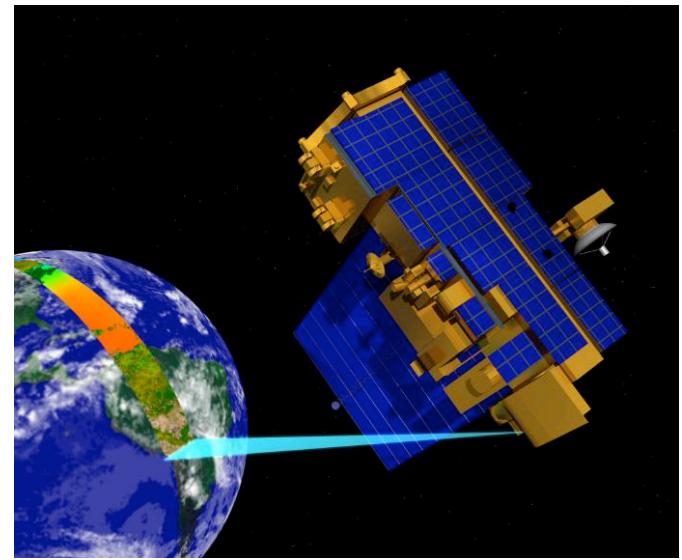
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My PhD project

Mapping the forest phenology
(seasonal cycle) in Fennoscandia
region in the past 30 years by using
satellite remote sensing data



The first work package of the programme
“Climate change impacts on forest phenology, and implications for Swedish forest management”, Funding, Formas (PI: Prof. Eklundh).



With the validation of ground observations

→ Ground remote sensing



↓ Phenology cameras

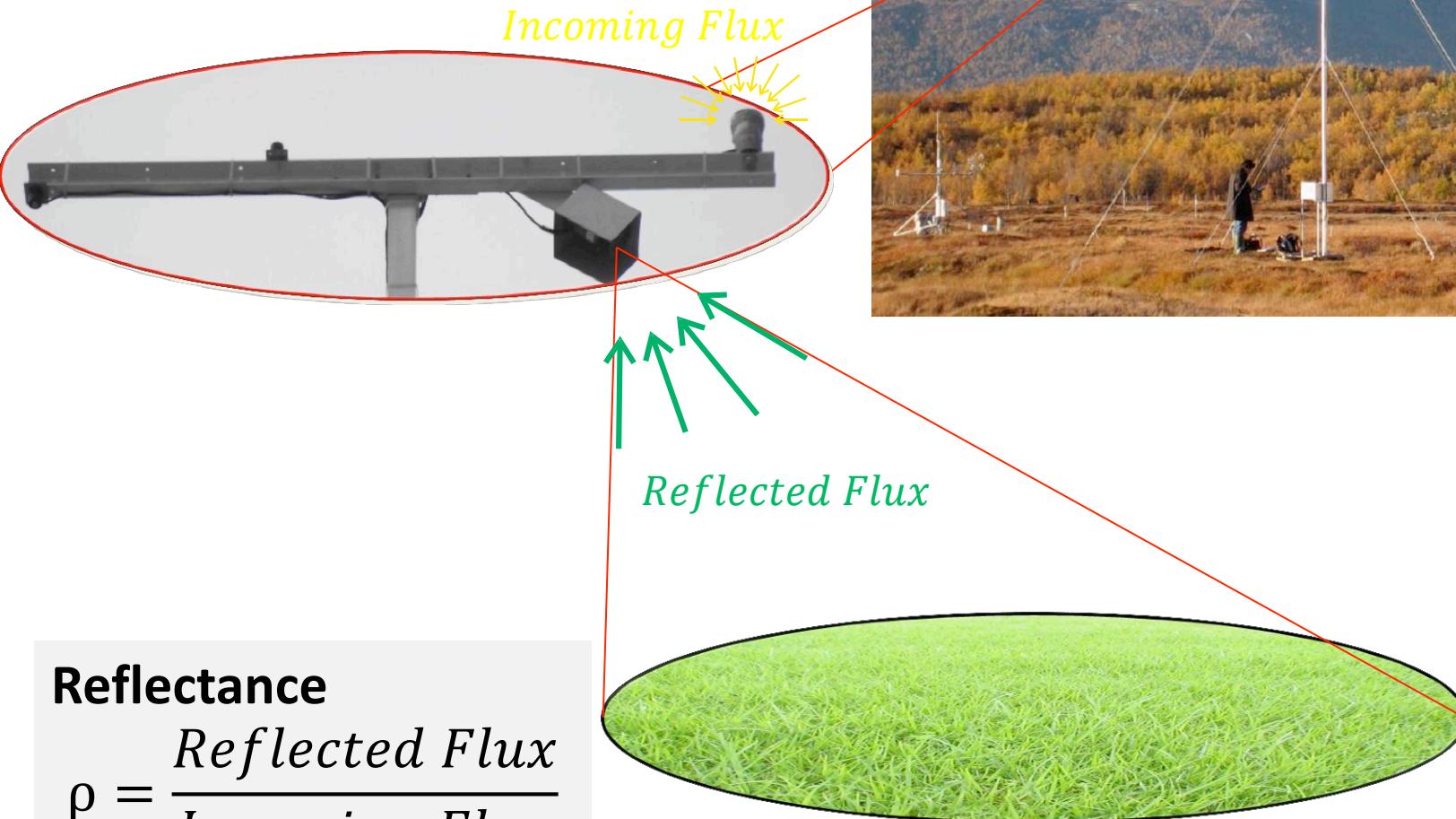


↓ And manual observation by naked eyes



My main talk today

What's the light sensor looking at?

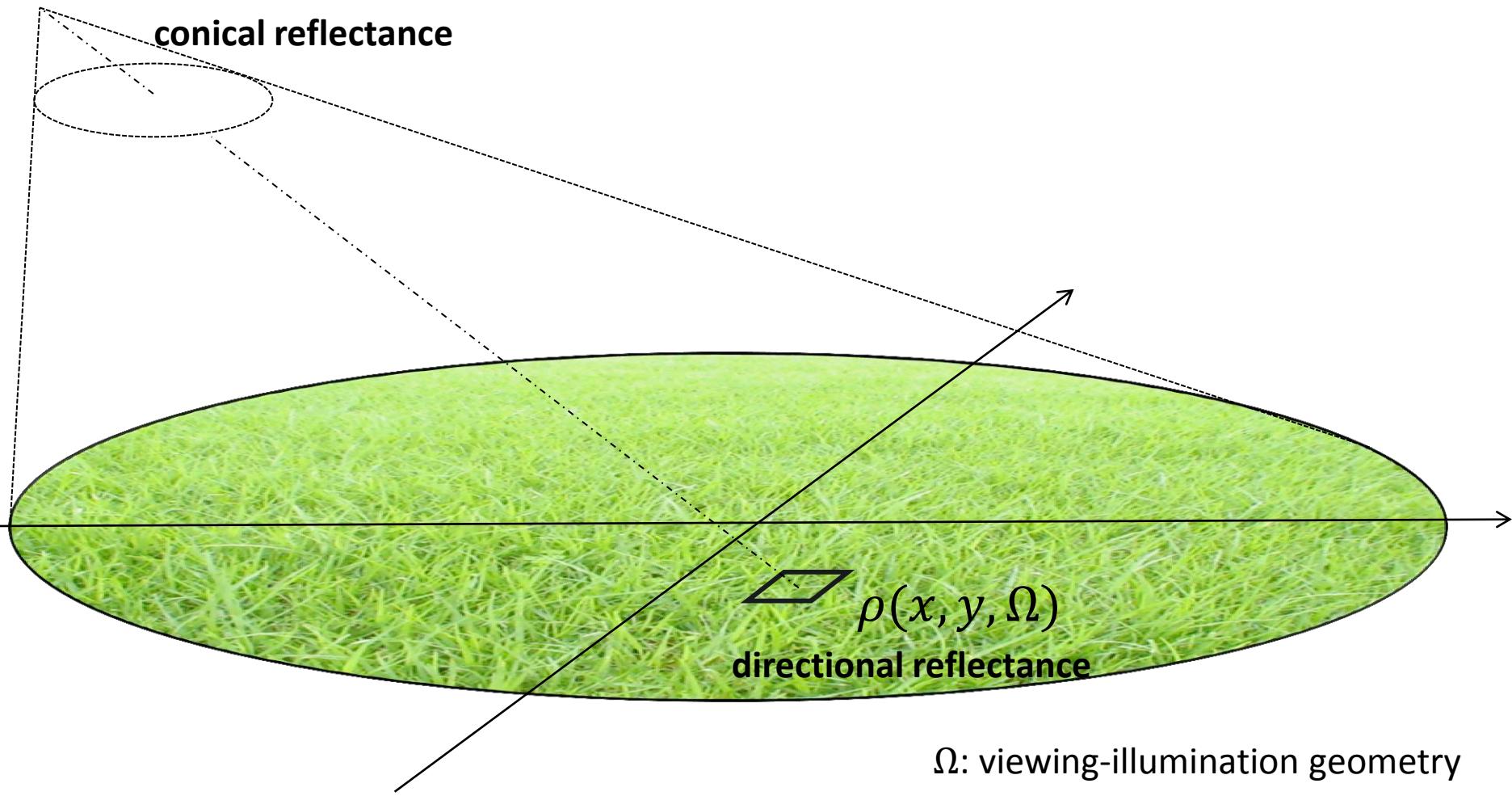


Reflectance

$$\rho = \frac{\text{Reflected Flux}}{\text{Incoming Flux}}$$

From directional reflectance to conical reflectance

$\bar{\rho}$



Directional

Bidirectional reflectance distribution function (BRDF)
Hemispherical directional reflectance factor (HDRF)

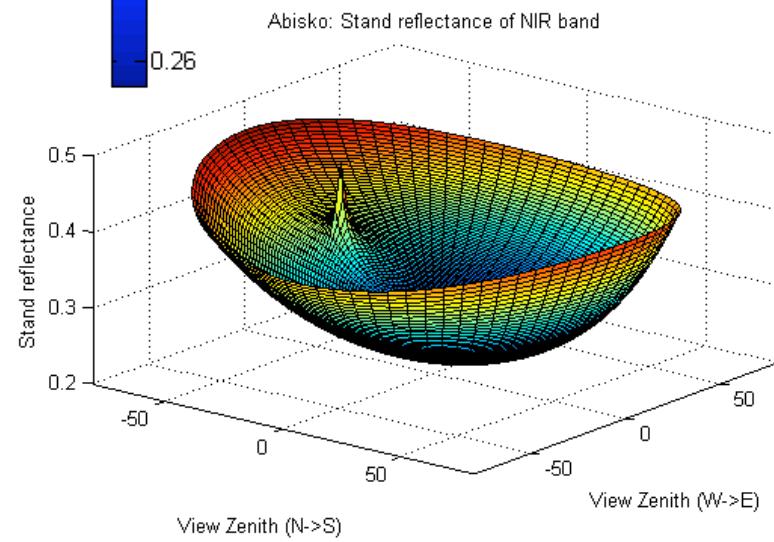
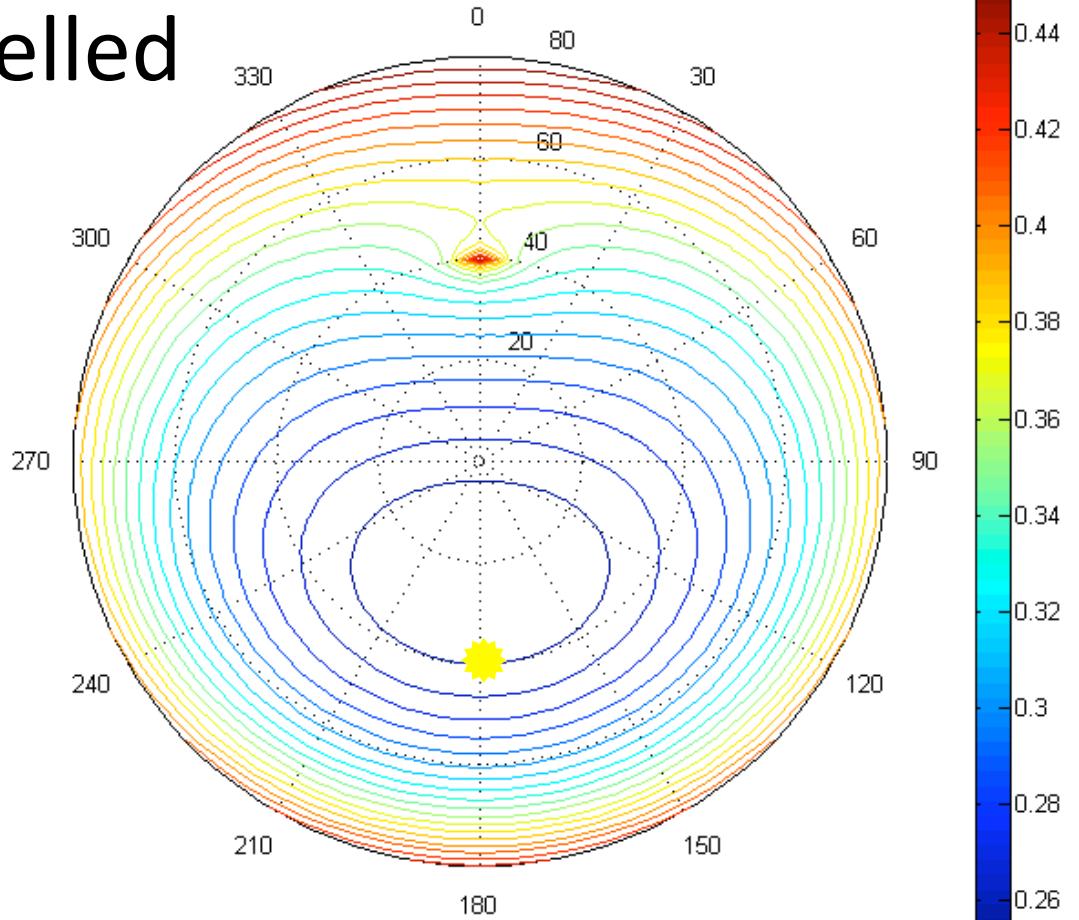
➤ Measured



Goniometer

Modelled

Abisko: Stand reflectance of NIR band



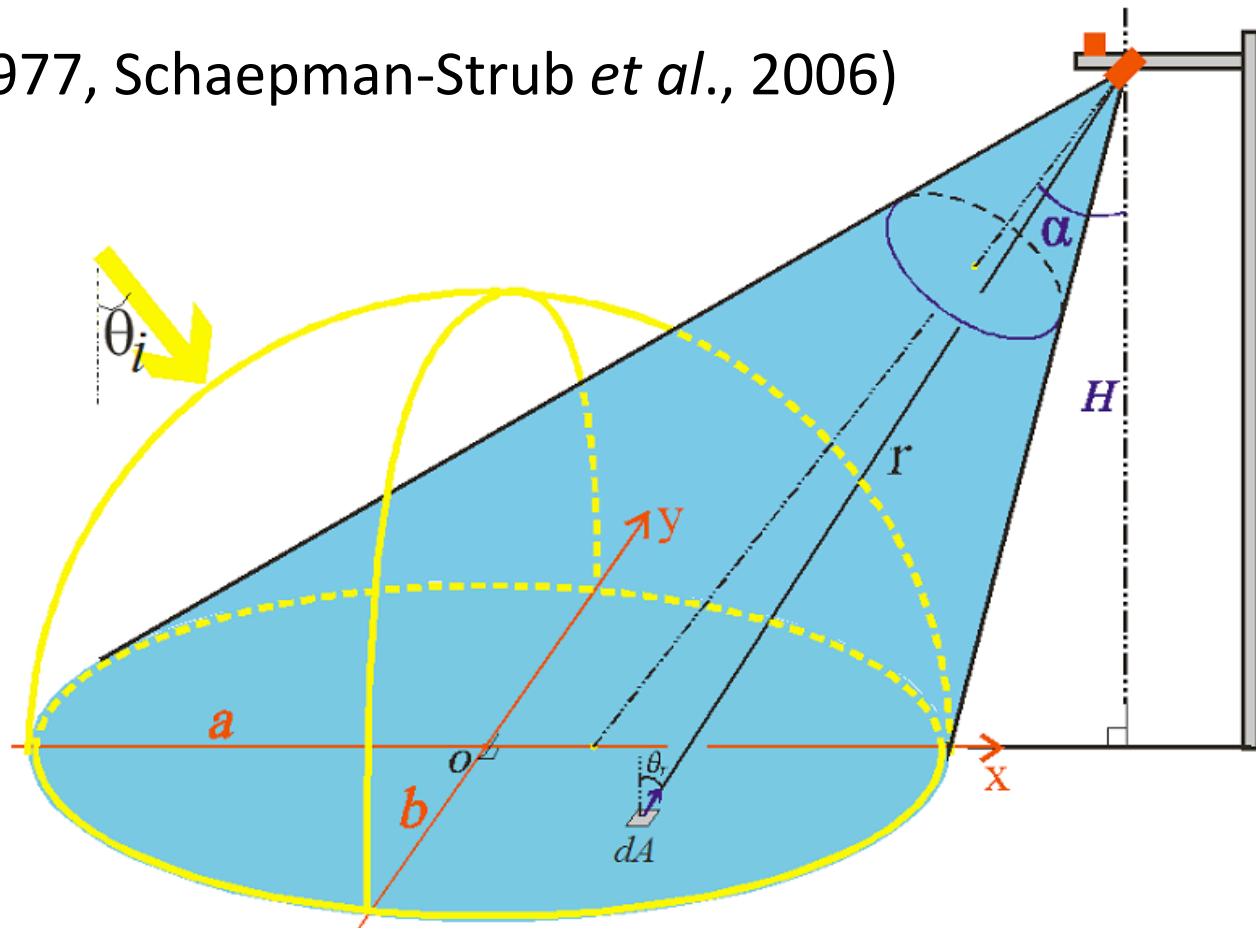
Conical

Hemispherical **conical** reflectance factor (HCRF)

- All the field measured reflectance are HCRF
- No one has modelled HCRF.
- Modelling HCRF will help us to understand the difference between directional reflectance and conical reflectance
- Help us to use light sensors with optimal field-of-view for specific research target
- Help us understanding the measurements on heterogeneous target.

$$HCRF = \frac{\int_{\omega_r} \int_{2\pi} f_r(\theta_i, \phi_i; \theta_r, \phi_r) \cdot L_i(\theta_i, \phi_i) \cdot d\Omega_i \cdot d\Omega_r}{\Omega_r/\pi \cdot \int_{2\pi} L_i(\theta_i, \phi_i) \cdot d\Omega_i}$$

(Nicodemus *et al.*, 1977, Schaepman-Strub *et al.*, 2006)



It ends up with an elliptic integral, which has no analytic solution.

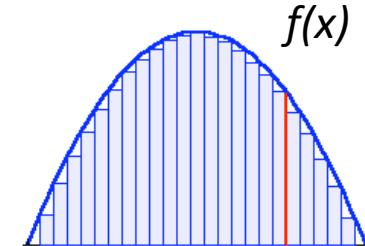
Re-write the formula in Cartesian coordinate system and try numerical method for the elliptic integral (Eklundh *et al.*, 2011):

$$HCRF = \frac{\int_A HDRF(\theta_r, \phi_r) \cdot \frac{\cos(\theta_r)}{r^2} dxdy}{\int_A \frac{\cos(\theta_r)}{r^2} dxdy}$$

Numerical methods

Univariate

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \cdot \Delta x$$



Multi-variate

Monte-carlo integration

$E(x) = \int xf(x)dx$, x is a random variable with pdf $f(x)$

And $E(x) \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$.

$$\int_A \frac{\cos(\theta_r)}{r^2} dxdy = \int_A \frac{\cos(\theta_r)}{r^2 \cdot f(x,y)} f(x,y) dxdy$$

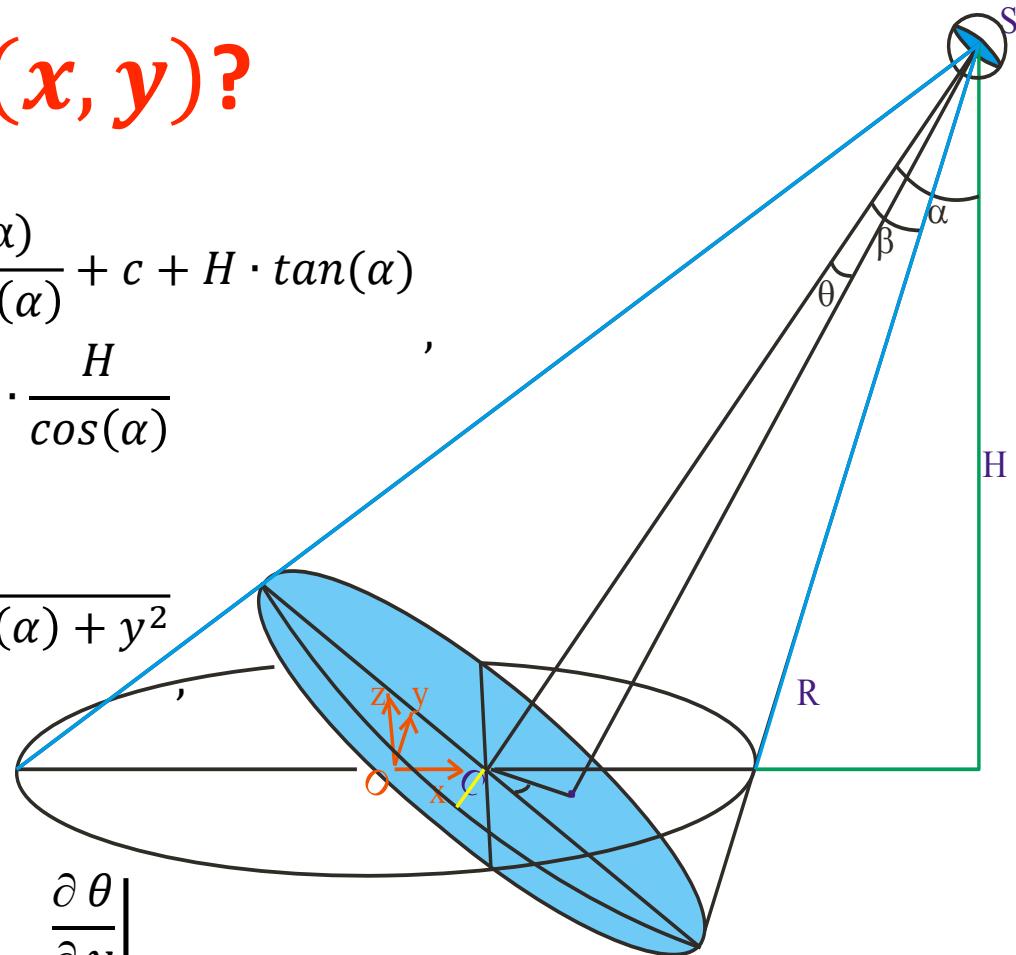
$$\approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\cos(\theta_r)}{r^2 \cdot f(x_i, y_i)},$$

r and θ_r are functions of x_i, y_i

$f(x, y) ?$

$$\begin{cases} x = H \cdot \frac{\tan(\theta) \cdot \cos(\varphi) - \tan(\alpha)}{1 + \tan(\theta) \cdot \cos(\varphi) \cdot \tan(\alpha)} + c + H \cdot \tan(\alpha) \\ y = \frac{\tan(\theta) \cdot \sin(\varphi)}{1 + \tan(\theta) \cdot \cos(\varphi) \cdot \tan(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{H}{\cos(\alpha)} \end{cases},$$

→
$$\begin{cases} \tan(\theta) = \frac{\cos(\alpha)}{H} \sqrt{(x - c)^2 \cos^2(\alpha) + y^2} \\ \tan(\varphi) = \frac{y}{(x - c) \cdot \cos(\alpha)} \end{cases},$$



→ $f(x, y) = f(\theta(x, y), \varphi(x, y)) \left| \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} \end{vmatrix} \right|. \quad f(\theta, \varphi) = f(\theta) \cdot f(\varphi).$

$$f(\theta) = f(h(\theta)) |h'(\theta)| = \frac{\sin(\theta)}{1 - \cos(\beta)}.$$

$$f(\varphi) = \frac{1}{2\pi},$$

Distribution

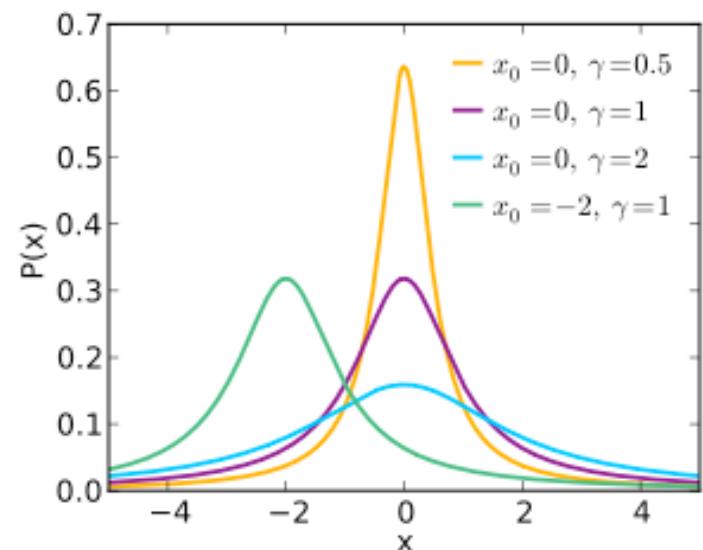
$$f(x, y)$$

$$= \frac{H}{2\pi[1 - \cos(\beta)]} \cdot \frac{1}{[(x - c)^2 \cos^2(\alpha) + y^2 + (H/\cos(\alpha))^2]^{3/2}}.$$

Cauchy distribution

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\gamma}{[(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 + \gamma^2]^{3/2}}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\gamma}{(x - x_0)^2 + \gamma^2}$$



Sample method

$$h \in U\left(\frac{H}{\cos(\alpha)}, \frac{H}{\cos(\alpha) \cdot \cos(\beta)}\right)$$

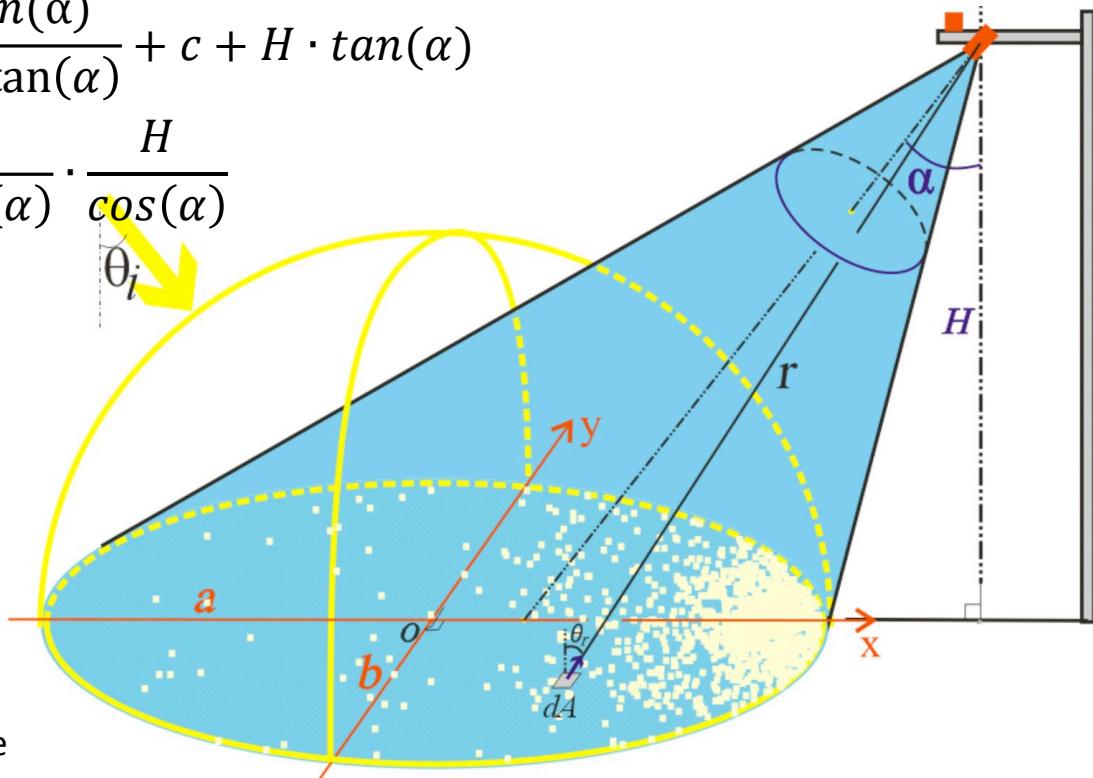
$$\varphi \in U(0, 2\pi)$$

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{h \cdot \cos(\alpha) \cdot \cos(\beta)}{H}$$

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$$\begin{cases} x = H \cdot \frac{\tan(\theta) \cdot \cos(\varphi) - \tan(\alpha)}{1 + \tan(\theta) \cdot \cos(\varphi) \cdot \tan(\alpha)} + c + H \cdot \tan(\alpha) \\ y = \frac{\tan(\theta) \cdot \sin(\varphi)}{1 + \tan(\theta) \cdot \cos(\varphi) \cdot \tan(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{H}{\cos(\alpha)} \end{cases}$$

Matlab GUI show

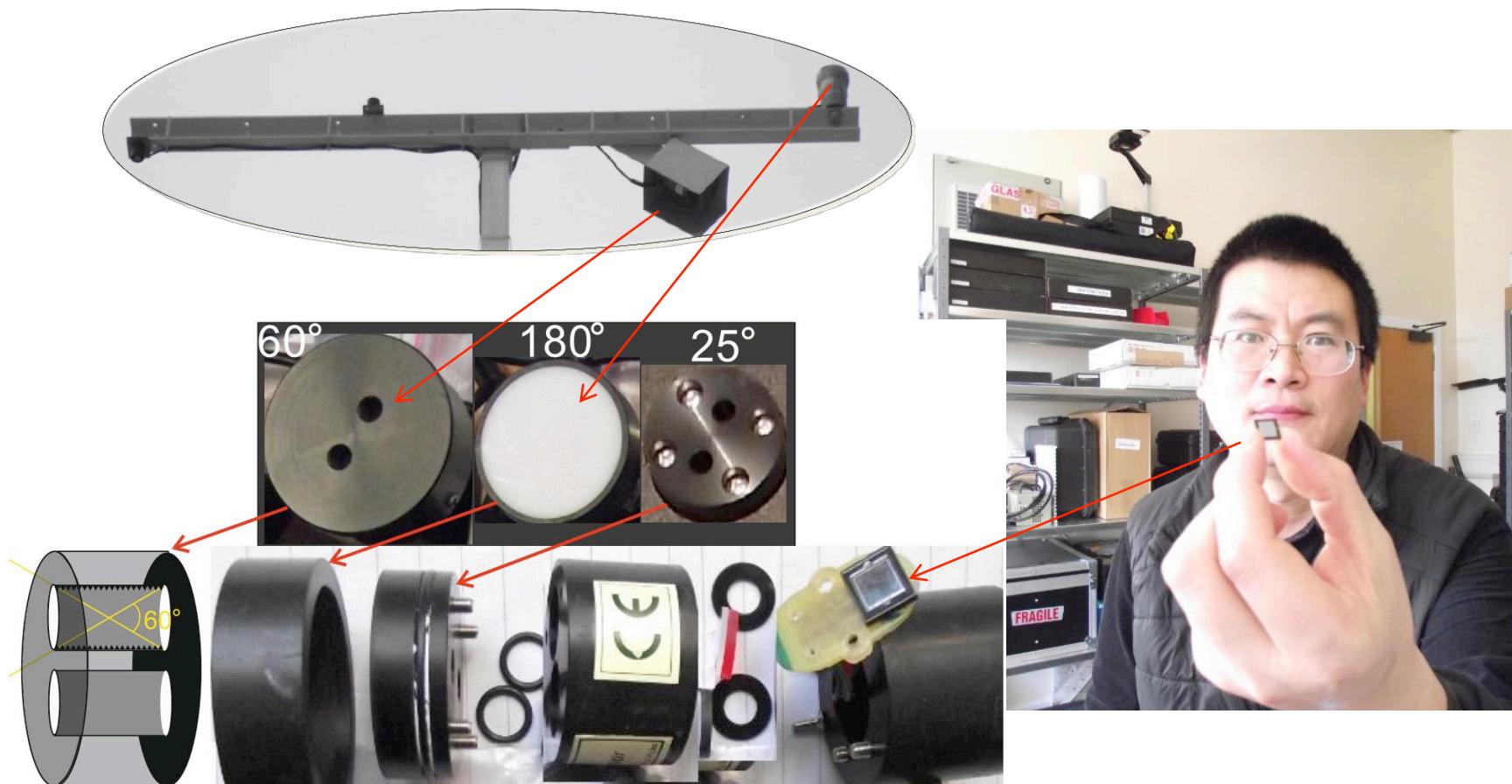


HCRF Model results:

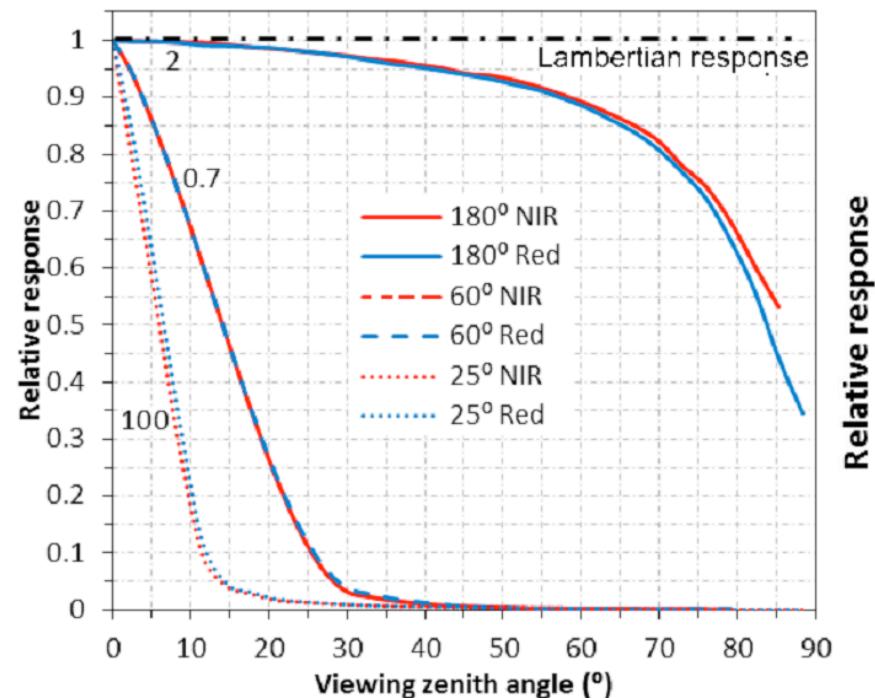
1. Within the light sensor footprint, each point does not equally contribute to the reflectance (radiance) measurement. Near points contribute more.
2. Conical measurements are close to directional ones
3. Hemispherical sensors, like PAR sensor, only look at limited area, not hemipherically unlimited area.
4. Points within $10h$ (h PAR sensor height) radius of PAR sensor make 95% of total contribution. Those within $2h$ contributes 50%.

More problems

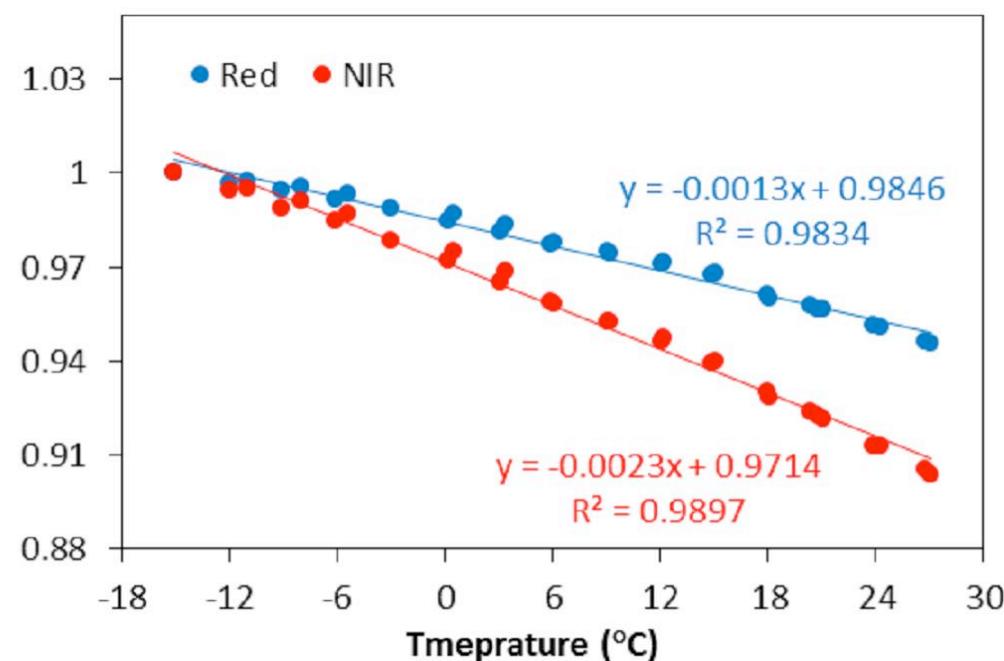
We assumed the light sensor has isotropic response in previous HCRF modelling



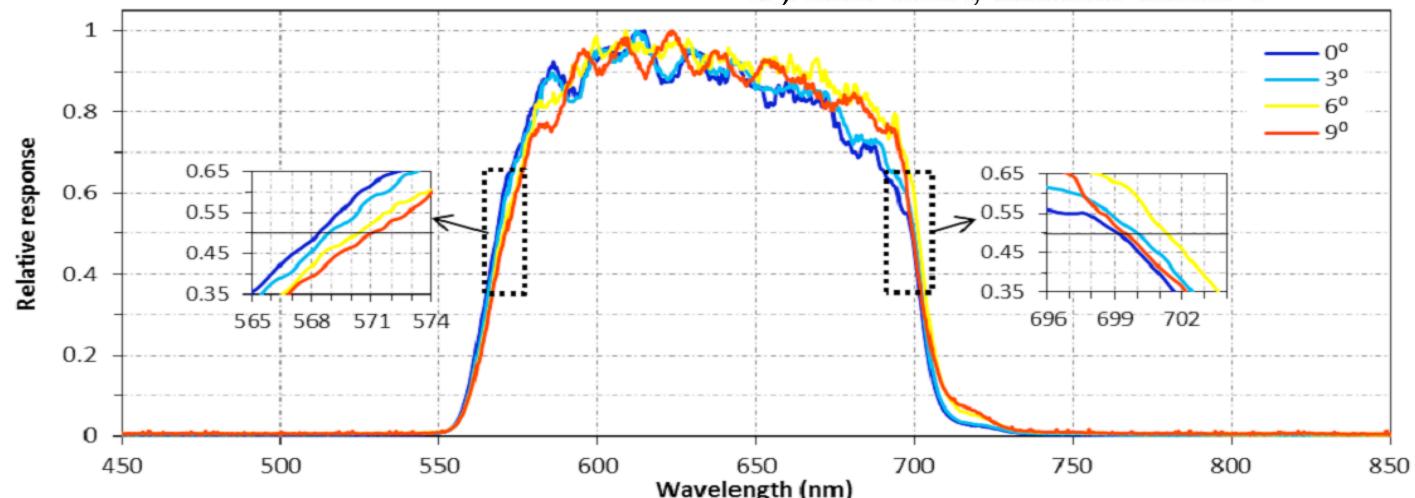
↓ Directional response



↓ Temperature drift



→ Spectral shift



a) Red filter, no cosine diffuser

b) 100 k Ω , Sensor 35854

Conclusion

Be fully aware of what you are looking at with light sensor, and be aware of non-vegetation induced anomalies.

with respect to
inhomogeneous vegetation, anisotropic
sensor response, and temperature-
dependent response

Thanks!

