GEMS (Geostationary Environment Monitoring Spectrometer) Instrument Requirements and Issues in the Instrument Design

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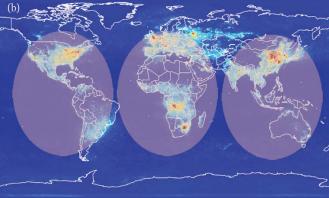


Introduction

GEMS is a scanning UV-Visible imaging spectrometer to monitor trans-boundary pollution events in Asia-Pacific region.

Science Objectives of GEMS

✓ To monotor O_3 , NO_2 , SO_2 , HCHO and Aerosol



- ✓ To provide measurements of atmospheric chemistry, precursors of aerosols and ozone in particular, in high temporal and spatial resolution over Asia
- ✓ To monitor regional transport events: transboundary pollution and Asian dust
- ✓ To improve our understanding on interactions between atmospheric chemistry and meteorology
- \checkmark To better understand the globalization of tropospheric pollution
- ✓ To improve air quality forecast by:
 - Constraining emission rates
 - Data assimilation of chemical observations





Instrument Requirements



Operational Requirements

Lifetime and Reliability

- Lifetime : <u>7 years</u> (option > 10 years)
- Reliability : <u>> 0.85</u> @ EOL

Mission Scenario

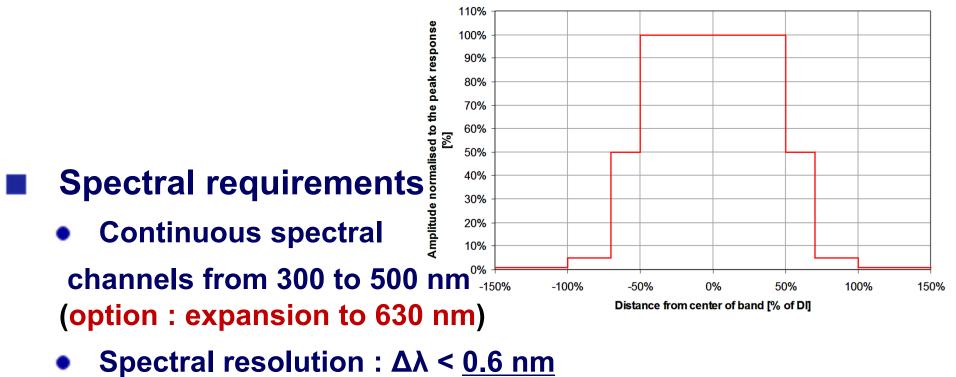
- GEMS orbital position : between <u>116°E & 138°E</u> (TBC)
- Target area : <u>5000 km</u> (N/S) × <u>5000 km</u> (E/W) by the imaging instrument at nadir view
 - * Region of interest suggested
 - N/S region : from $55^{\circ}N$ to $5^{\circ}S$
 - E/W region : from $75^{\circ}E$ to $145^{\circ}E$
- Duty cycle : <u>8 images</u> during daytime
- Imaging time : <u>1 hour</u>



Performance Requirements

- **Geometric requirements**
 - GSD : <u>5 km</u> (N/S) × <u>5 km</u> (E/W) at Nadir

(option : 2.5 km (N/S) $\times 7.5 \text{ km}$ (E/W) at Nadir)



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Spectral sampling : Δλ < 0.2 nm

Performance Requirements (cont'd)

Radiometric requirements

Input radiance level (W/m²/µm/sr)

Spectral range [nm]	Nominal Radiance (L _{nom})	Minimum Radiance (L _{min})	Maximum Radiance (Lmax) - COD ₁₀ /COD ₂₀			
300-315	7.98	0.09	25.64/30.17			
315-325	43.36	0.29	108.32/130.46			
325-335	86.63	1.01	198.09/241.18			
335-357	91.39	1.69	209.95/259.71			
357-423	108.66	2.01	277.96/354.23			
423-451	130.75	2.36	358.52/466.31			
451-500	145.49	2.34	418.84/549.86			

- SNR : <u>720</u> over the range of nominal radiance at 320 nm and <u>1500</u> over the range of nominal radiance at 430 nm
- Image data quantization : > <u>12 bits</u>



Performance Requirements (cont'd)

MTF requirements

MTF at GEMS level : > <u>0.3</u> (both N/S and E/W at nyquist)

Calibration requirements

- Radiometric Calibration Accuracy : < <u>4 %</u>
- Spectral Calibration Accuracy : < 0.02 nm

Polarization requirements

Polarization Factor : < <u>4 %</u>

 $PF = (I_{max} - I_{min}) / (I_{max} + I_{min})$

 Polarization Factor Variance : < <u>1 %</u> (relative polarization factor difference in the wavelength range)



Interface Requirements

Mechanical interfaces

- GEMS accommodation on +Zs face of satellite
- Volume ≤ <u>800mm</u> (Xs), <u>1200mm</u> (Ys), <u>700mm</u> (Zs)
- Mass ≤ <u>110 kg</u>

Thermal interfaces

- Satellite interface heat flux : TBD W
- Satellite interface temperature range : TBD

Electrical interfaces

- Satellite input regulated voltage : TBD V
- Max power demand : <u>100 W</u> peak (TBC)
- Data rate : <u>10 Mbps</u> (TBC)





Issues in the Instrument Design



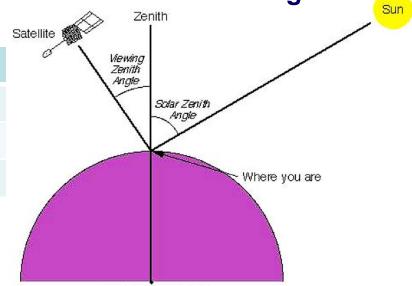
Observation Area & Time Slot

- Due to the geometry between the observation target and the satellite (from GEO), viewing zenith angle and solar zenith angle are changed at each time and season.
- The Region of Interest is slightly tilted from satellite Nadir-equator, the geological position of edge of observation area has high zenith angle.

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Location	Seoul	Beijing	NewDelhi	Tokyo
VZA (Fixed)	43	47.5	64	43
SZA (ESZA < 58.67)	50	46.1	NA	50
SZA (ESZA < 72.31)	70	69.2	60.2	70

For that reason, some area cannot meet adequate SZA requirement under difficult conditions.



Center of the Earth

Schematic illustration of the Solar Zenith Angle (SZA) and Viewing Zenith Angle (VZA) for observations from satellite-based instrument. [image taken from a <u>NASA page with definitons</u> (http://asd-www.larc.nasa.gov/SCOOL/definition.html)]

Observation Area & Time Slot (cont'd)

This is the worst case (winter solstice) scenario for each location.

	Winter Solstice : ESZA < 58.67					Winter Solstice : ESZA < 72.31						
Time	Seoul	TopLeft	NewDelhi	Beijing	Russia	Tokyo	Seoul	TopLeft	NewDelhi	Beijing	Russia	Tokyo
9:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
11:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
12:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
13:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
14:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
15:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
16:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	4	0	5

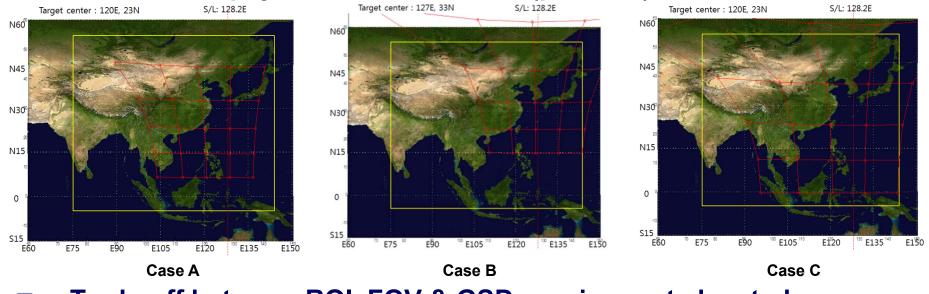
- Due to the large VZAs of NewDelhi, Russia, and TopLeft, there are still less chances for the GEMS to observe those area.
- It is better to observe the equatorial area rather than Northern area.
- FOR and ROI requirements need to be revisited practically.



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Projected FOV, GSD and ROI

- From GEO SAT., the projected Earth surface with 1000 samplings and 5 km IFOV (current design concept) cannot cover full ROI (region of interest: 75°E~145°E and 5°S~55°N).
- There are some methods to cover the region, depending on the definition of payload nadir direction (position) and GSD reference.



Trade-off between ROI, FOV & GSD requirements has to be performed.



Spectral Range Expansion

- For the accuracy improvement of ozone detection, the measurement of Chappuis band (around 602 nm) is requested by End-user Group.
- Impacts on the GEMS design (in case of expansion to 630 nm)
 - SNR decreases drastically \rightarrow spectrometer must be redesigned
 - Overlapping diffraction order \rightarrow order sorting filter must be added
 - MTF decreases \rightarrow optical design must be changed
 - Data rate increases 1.65 times \rightarrow higher compression ratio needed
 - Focal plane is enlarged \rightarrow two 1k detectors or one 2k detector needed
- It is need to define the requirements of SNR/MTF/Radiometric performance due to the expansion of the wavelength range.





• Key requirement items for the instrument H/W fixed.

Target area : 5000 km (N/S) \times 5000 km (E/W) at nadir view Duty cycle : 8 images during daytime GSD : 5 km (N/S) \times 5 km (E/W) at Seoul (option 2.5 km \times 7.5 km)

- Spectral resolution improved and fixed as $\Delta \lambda = 0.6$ nm
- FOR and ROI requirements need to be revisited critically
- Expansion of the spectral range up to 630 nm is a big impact shaking most to its very foundation
- Requirement items with TBC or TBD attached should be finalized prior to the documentation of GEMS RFP

Tasks ahead : Finalization the requirement spec and current issues RFP documentation and completion of formalities for its release

