Bias Correction of NARR Downward Shortwave Radiation Fluxes Using GOES Data

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Creation of Bias Correction Ratios

- 1/8th degree GOES product not defined for low zenith angles and pole-ward of 50N and east of 70W
Creation of Bias Correction Ratios

- Use zenith angle interpolation of mean fields to fill the gaps in areas located at low zenith angles.
Verification of GOES Data (w/SURFRAD)

- Goodwin Creek, MS (left) and Fort Peck, MT (right)
- April 1997 monthly mean data
- SURFRAD – black, GOES – green, and NARR - yellow
We can also extend data northward and eastward using neighbor search and zenith angle correction.
Creation of Bias Correction Ratios

Note: only one month used in producing this data

Extend GOES mean data

Extend Ratio using closest 16 points
Sample Bias Correction Ratios

- Please visit the following url to view samples:

http://ldas.gsfc.nasa.gov/rad/