Satellite System and Sensors Part II

Low to Moderate Optical and Radar Satellites

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Low to Moderate Resolution Optical Satellites

Low to Moderate resolution satellite data with their resolution of 250 to 1km is important to regional to global scale environmental monitoring.

- The advantage of these data are their frequent observation which covers the whole globe within one day. Some satellites have morning and afternoon satellites which gives us twice a day observation.
- In spite of its low spatial resolution, its high multi-temporal capability, high-sensitivity sensors, multi-spectral capability provide us with excellent data and application opportunity. Also, recent effort to provide the data in systematic way such as distribution on internet, producing value added data has been enhancing its usability.

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Limitation Limitation of High-Reso data from previous Lecture Re-Visit Time **Spatial Resolution** 2 - 18 days Cloud Cover Geo-location Project planning Spectral Information 🕨 Data Handling Panchromatic to several bands only **Format: Local format** S/N Normally 6-8 bits Not enough Support from commercial Geo-location software Distortion by topographic effect (edge, highmountains) **Projection** Off-Nadir Observation Coverage Several 10km -**10bits data** 180km Cost Difficulty in implementing local processing Usually not free Sometimes system expensive Super-high reso: Off-Nadir Observation Expensive Satellite Geometry Strong Effect of Bi-directional Reflectangedel: sometimes not open BRDF

Advantage

High Multi-Temporal
Global Coverage
Multi-Spectral Information
Cloud Free Products
Free Data, Free Software
Series of algorithm for estimating
environmental physical parameter.
Local Receiving is feasible

- Free for receiving
- S band X band
- 100,000 US\$-500,000US\$

Hyper-Spectral Information e.g. 36 ch.
Improved Resolution to 250m-500m
Value Added Data Product, e.g. MODIS
Network Data Distribution, AIT, UT, NASA

•Near Real time Monitoring, several hrs.

Advantage of High-Reso data from previous Lecture **High-Resolution** Easy for interpretation Good products line Systematic **High-Precision** Good search/ordering system Commercial Distributor Easy Handling **Common formats** Supported by various software Good combination with 1/100,00 -1/50,000 maps **Plenty of Application** examples Improved resolution Multi-Spectral



High-Reso Satellite Quick Bird 0.62m



Low-Reso, High-Temporal NOAA/AVHRR 1 km



Trade-off in Performance

- Spatial Resolution (1 observation unit on ground surface)
 30 m 250km 1km
- Temporal Resolution 16 days - 1day
- Spectral Resolution 7 channel vs 36 channel
- Observation Extent 185 km vs 2,300km
- S/N
 - 8bits vs 10bits
- cost

1 scene 800US\$ vs Free (Broadcast)

Spectral Reflectance



NDVI: Normalized Differential Vegetation Index NDVI = (NIR - VR)/(NIR+VR) = tan α = y'/x' NDVI=1.0 forest NIR NIR NIR = VR NDVI = 0 to rest bare land NIR = VR NDVI = 0 to rest to are land NIR = VR NDVI = 0 NIR = VR NIR = VR NIR = VR



Activated for science operations on Feb. 24, 2000 Followed by AQUA(EOS-PM1) in 2002

5 Instruments on TERRA

▶ NDVI= -1.0

MODIS (Moderate-resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer : USA)

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- ASTER (Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer : Japan)
- CERES (Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System: USA)
- MISR (Multi-angle Imaging Spectro-Radiometer: USA)
- MOPITT (Measurements of Pollution in the Troposphere: Canada)

MODIS Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer)

Moderate Resolution
 250m Resolution

Hyper Spectral

250m (bands 1-2) 500m (bands 3-7) 1000m (bands 8-36)



- 36 discrete spectral bands.♦ High Multi-Temporal
 - Sees every point on our world every 1-2 days
- Successor of Very Popular NOAA/AVHRR NOAA/AVHRR: 1km - 5 Channels – Morning and Afternoon
- MODIS is ideal for Global Regional Environment Monitoring by improving capability of NOAA/AVHRR





MODIS (or Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer) is a key instrument aboard the **Terra (EOS AM)** and **Aqua (EOS PM)** satellites. Terra's orbit around the Earth is timed so that it passes from north to south across the equator in the morning, while Aqua passes south to north over the equator in the afternoon. Terra MODIS and Aqua MODIS are viewing the entire Earth's surface every 1 to 2 days, acquiring data in 36 spectral bands, or groups of wavelengths (see MODIS Technical Specifications). These data will improve our understanding of global dynamics and processes occurring on the land, in the oceans, and in the lower atmosphere. MODIS is playing a vital role in the development of validated, global, interactive Earth system models able to predict global change accurately enough to assist policy makers in making sound decisions concerning the protection of our environment.

http://modis.gsfc.nasa.gov/

- MODIS Technical Specifications
 Orbit: 705 km, 10:30 a.m. descending node (Terra) or 1:30 pm ascending node (Aqua), sun-synchronous, near-polar, circular
 Scan Rate: 20.3 rpm, cross track
 Swath: 2330 km (cross track) by 10 km (along track at nadir)
 Telescope: 17.78 cm diam. off-axis, afocal (collimated)
- Size: 1.0 x 1.6 x 1.0 m
- Weight: 228.7 kg
- Power: 162.5 W (single orbit average)
- Data Rate: 10.6 Mbps (peak daytime); 6.1 Mbps (orbital average)
- Quantization: 12 bits
- Spatial Resolution:
 - ▶ 250 m (bands 1-2)
 - ▶ 500 m (bands 3-7)
- ♦ 1000 m (bands 8-36)
- Design Life: 6 years

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Primary Use	Band	Bandwidth	Spectral Radiance	Required SNR
Land/Cloud/Aerosols Boundaries	1 2	620 - 670 841 - 876	21.8 24.7	128 201
Land/Cloud/Aerosols Properties	3 4	459 - 479 545 - 565	35.3 29.0	243 228
	5	1230 - 1250	5.4	74
	6	1628 - 1652	7.3	275
	7	2105 - 2155	1.0	110
Ocean Color/ Phytoplankton/ Biogeochemistry	8 9	405 - 420 438 - 448	44.9 41.9	880 838
	10	483 - 493	32.1	802
	11	526 - 536	27.9	754
Note:	12	546 - 556	21.0	750
Bands 1 to 19 are in nm.	13	662 - 672	9.5	910
	14	673 - 683	8.7	1087
	15	743 - 753	10.2	586
	16	862 - 877	6.2	516
Atmospheric Water Vapor	17 18	890 - 920 931 - 941	10.0 3.6	167 57
	19	915 - 965	15.0	250

Primary Use	Band	Bandwidth	Spectral Radiance	Required NE[delta]T(K)
Surface/Cloud Temperature	20	3.660 - 3.840	0.45(300K)	0.05
	21	3.929 - 3.989	2.38(335K)	2.00
	22	3.929 - 3.989	0.67(300K)	0.07
	23	4.020 - 4.080	0.79(300K)	0.07
Atmospheric Temperature	24	4.433 - 4.498	0.17(250K)	0.25
	25	4.482 - 4.549	0.59(275K)	0.25
Cirrus Clouds Water Vapor	26	1.360 - 1.390	6.00	150(SNR)
	27	6.535 - 6.895	1.16(240K)	0.25
	28	7.175 - 7.475	2.18(250K)	0.25
loud Properties	29	8.400 - 8.700	9.58(300K)	0.05
zone	30	9.580 - 9.880	3.69(250K)	0.25
Surface/Cloud Temperature	31	10.780 - 11.280	9.55(300K)	0.05
	32	11.770 - 12.270	8.94(300K)	0.05
Cloud Top Altitude	33	13.185 - 13.485	4.52(260K)	0.25
	34	13.485 - 13.785	3.76(250K)	0.25
Note: Bands 20 to 36 are in μm.	35	13.785 - 14.085	3.11(240K)	0.25
	36	14.085 - 14.385	2.08(220K)	0.35

MODIS Standard Products

There are 44 products, Some are validated, some are not validated.

- **Data Products**
 - There are 44 standard MODIS data products that scientists are using to study global change. These products are being used by scientists from a variety of disciplines, including oceanography, biology, and atmospheric science. This section details each product individually, introducing you to the products, explaining the science behind them, and alerting you to known areas of concern with the data products. Also documented is each of the product's latest availability information. To view specific info on a product, select it from the menu below.
- Calibration 3
 - (Radiance Counts, Calibrated Geolocated Radiances, Geolocation Data set)
- Atmosphere 6
 - (Aerosol, Water Vapor, Cloud, Profiles, Gridded Info, Cloud Mask)
- **b** Land 10
 - (Reflectance, Temp and Emissivity, Land Cover and change, NDVI, Thermal, LAI, Evapo, NPP, Reflectance, Vegetaion Cover Conversion)
- Cryosphere 2
 - (Snow Cover, Sea Ice Cover)
- Ocean 15
 - (Water Leaving Rad, Pigment Concen. Chl-Fluorescence, Chl-a, PAR, SS, Organic Matter, Coccolith, Ocean Water Attenuation, Ocean Primary Prod., SST, Phycoerythrin Cocent., Total Absorption Coeff., Ocean Aerosol, Clear Water Eps.)

MODIS Standard Products & its level

Beta Products

- Beta Products are minimally validated, early release products that enable users to gain familiarity with data formats and parameters. Product is probably not appropriate as the basis for quantitative scientific publications.
- Provisional Products
 - Provisional Products are partially validated and improvements are continuing. Provisional products are viewed as early science validated products and useful for exploratory and process scientific studies. Quality may not be optimal since validation and quality assurance are ongoing. Users are expected to review products quality summaries before publication of results.
- Validated Products

- Validated Products have well defined uncertainties. These are high quality products suitable for longer term or systematic scientific studies and publication. There may be later I improved versions. Users are expected to review products quality summaries before publication of results.
- Stage 1 Validation: Product accuracy has been estimated using a small number of independent measurements obtained from selected locations and time periods and ground-truth/field program efforts.
- Stage 2 Validation: Product accuracy has been assessed over a widely distributed set of locations and time periods via several ground-truth and validation efforts.
- Stage 3 Validation: Product accuracy has been assessed and the uncertainties in the product well established via independent measurements in a systematic and statistically robust way representing global conditions.

MODIS for Flood Monitoring



MODIS for Forest Fire Monitoring

http://www.noaa.gov



MODIS hotspot image on 7 Sep 2001. Riau Province, Sumatra

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MODIS has 16 thermal bands and is well suited for hotspots detection.

Band 21 and band 31, which have wavelengths of 3.959nm and 11.03 nm respectively, are used to determine hotpots. The criteria are:

BT21>360K or BT21>360K and BT21-T31>20K

 Once a pixel is found to be hotspot, it will be marked in red on the georectified MODIS image

MODIS for Forest Fire Monitoring



 Zoom-in of Riau Province, Sumatra image in 1-km resolution



The fires captured by SPOT1 on the same day

For details visit: http://www.crisp.nus.edu.sg/~research/#current

NOAA AVHRR (Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer)

	Ba nd	Wavelength (µm)	Applications
Visible .	1	0.58-0.68	cloud, snow and ice monitoring
<mark>Ne</mark> ar IR	2	0.725-1.10	water, vegetation and agriculture surve
<mark>Sh</mark> ort Wave IR	3 A	1.58-1.64	snow, ice and cloud discrimination
<mark>M</mark> edium Wave IR	3B	3.55-3.93	sea surface temperature, volcano, fores fire activity
<mark>Th</mark> ermal IR	4	10.3-11.3	sea surface temperature, soil moisture
Thermal IR	5	11.3-12.5	sea surface temperature, soil moist <mark>ure</mark>



AVHRR is primarily used for **vegetation studies** -the study and monitoring of drought

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conditions. <u>http://www.crisp.nus.edu.sg</u>/~research/tutorial/noaa.ht



AIT NOAA/AVHRR - MODIS/TERRA Reception, Archiving and Distribution

- NOAA/AVHRR Since 15 November 1997
- TERRA/MODIS Since 25 May 2001
- Archiving all of the received data
- Produce 10days and Monthly NDVI
- Network Data Distribution over Internet for
- Near Real Time Environment Monitoring





Cloud Free Composite

- To produce cloud free images
- Overlay certain period of images
- Detect Cloud Free Pixels
- Select pixels which has not been influenced by clouds among the candidates in the same location
- Criteria
 - Maximum NDVI
 - Scan Angle
- Popular period
 - 10days, 30 days

NDVI 10-days Composite Bangkok(AIT), Ulaanbaator, Tokyo, Kuroshima



Global Mapping Project - Ganges River Basin

- Create database covering all the land area on the earth's surface with uniform accuracy and specifications in order to contribute in formulating regional level policies and planning/regional level strategies to resolve environmental problems such as
 - soil erosion/land slide hazard
 - •food security
 - •desertification etc.,
- In this course, Ganges river basin area which covers 35degree N to 20 degree N and 70 degree E to 95 degree E, is being mapped using
 - •NOAA AVHRR data
 - •Elevation data
 - •Precipitation data
 - 🔸 •Temperature data

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Monthly Composite of NOAA AVHRR-October 1998

Unsupervised Classification of Multi-Temporal NDVI Results





Vegetation Index

The ratio of TM Band 4 to Band 3 or AVHRR Bands 2 to 1 is a simple approximation of the Vegetation Index (VI).

Left image: Use AVHRR to observe seasonal changes in biomass ("green wave") over all of Africa

ND VEGETATION INDEX

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A. April 12-May 2, 1982; B. July 5-25, 1982; C. Sept. 27-Oct. 17, 1982; D. Dec. 20, 1982-Jan. 9, 1983.
 http://rst.gsfc.nasa.gov/Sect3/Sect3 4.html









Flood Monitoring using NOAA



Flood Monitoring in Thailand using NOAA AVHRR Satellite Image



NOAA AVHRR and DEM

Flight Simulation Background for Greenmap



Spot 4-VEGETATION

The VEGETATION instrument on Spot 4 features a widefield-of-view radiometric imaging instrument operating in four spectral bands

(blue, red, near-and short-wave infrared) at a resolution of 1 kilometer; a solid-state onboard recorder able to store 90 minutes of data; image telemetry systems and a computer to manage the instrument's work plan. A dedicated onboard calibration device also monitors radiometric performance of the cameras.

With a swath width of 2,250 kilometres, the VEGETATION instrument covers almost all of the globe's land masses while orbiting the Earth 14 times a day. Only a few zones near the equator are covered every day. Areas above 35° latitude are seen at least once daily.

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DateJanFebMarApr01Image: Constraint of the second second

SPOT VI 2001: Suphanburi



Vector descriptions:

Blue = Suphanburi bnd Red = Rice field Green = Irrigated area

> ROIs were located both in and out irrigated area, based on SPOT VI







ROIs were located both in and out irrigated area, based on LS7







Several Points when Using Multi-temporal VI

- Geo-location
 - Composite Method
 - ▶ Water Body
- Effect of Cloud
 - ▶LMF (Local Maximum Fitting) and etc
 - Temporal interpolation
- Effect of Scan Angle
 - Especially rainy season

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RADAR Remote Sensing Remote sensing using active microwave All-weather capability: Microwave penetrates clouds Construction of short-interval time series through cloud cover **crop-growth cycle Roughness** Land cover, Flood, Oil spill Moisture **b** soil moisture **Structure** • vegetation height, Biomass Multi-Polization Interferometry: Phase analysis: Topographic

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SAR image of Mt. Mayon in Philippines (20 May 1996)



Electromagnetic radiation

wavelength λ , frequency v and the velocity v have the following relation.





Note: Electro-magnetic radiation has the characteristics of both wave motion and particle motion.



Surface Scattering

Rayleigh Criterion : if $ah \le \lambda / 8 \cos \theta$, the surface is smooth Fraunhofer Criterion : if $ah \le \lambda / 32 \cos \theta$, then the surface is smooth

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Penetration into volume: agriculture



Scattering by Volume & Structure



(a)scattering by widely distributed particles (b)scattering in uneven quality media

Figure 3.5.1 Schematic model of volume scattering



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Figure 3.5.4 Schematic model in the case of forest; volume scattering by leaves and branches as well as surface scattering by crown of trees

Dielectric Constant

High Dielectric C.(Wet) : High Backscatter



European Space Agency (ESA) ERS-1 satellite. This synoptic image of an area near Melfort, Saskatchewan details the effects of a localized precipitation event on the microwave backscatter recorded by the sensor. Areas where precipitation has recently occurred can be seen as a bright tone (bottom half) and those areas unaffected by the event generally appear darker (upper half). This is a result of the complex dielectric constant which is a measure of the electrical properties of surface materials. The dielectric property of a material influences its ability to absorb microwave energy, and therefore critically affects the scattering of microwave energy.

The magnitude of the radar backscatter is proportional to the dielectric constant of the surface. For dry, naturally occurring materials, this is in the range of 3 - 8, and may reach values as high as 80 for wet surfaces. Therefore the amount of moisture in the surface material directly affects the amount of backscattering. For example, the lower the dielectric constant, the more incident energy is absorbed, the darker the object will be on the imag

Multi-Polarization Observation





Application Field of SAR

http://www.ccrs.nrcan.gc.ca/ccrs/learn/tutorials/fundam/chapter5/chapter5 14 e.html

- Agriculture (Growth Monitoring)
 - Soil Moisture, Crop Calendar, Short interval Monitoring
- ▶ Forestry (Clear cutting, Structure...)
- ➡ Water Resources (snow)
- ▶ Land use/cover change
- Oil Spill, Ice Berg
- Ocean (Wind speed, Wave)
- Flood Monitoring (Flood extent, real time)
- Earthquake (Land deformation, Building structure change)
- Volcano monitoring
 - Deformation, Deposit, Erosion, Mud-flow
 - Height information
- Topographic Mapping (global, local)
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Tropical Rain forest

Geology



Developing geological map at Kutei Basin, Karimantan, Indonesia.One of the most biggest oil production area in SE Asia.



(b) SAR M部1.1 6地質包読品と新市図 (記写は爽2.4 参)

JERS- SAR image for geological application

(b) Result of Geological interpretation from the image

DEM Model

<Area> Galapagos Islands



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This is a three-dimensional view of Isabela, one of the Galapagos Islands located off the western coast of Ecuador, South America. This view was constructed by overlaying a Spaceborne Imaging Radar-C/X-band Synthetic Aperture Radar (SIR-C/X-SAR) image on a digital elevation map produced by TOPSAR, a prototype airborne interferometric radar which produces simultaneous image and elevation data.

Spaceborne Imaging Radar-C/X-band Synthetic Aperture Radar (SIR-C/X-SAR), TOPSAR,

DEM Model 2

<Area> Valley, China & Tibet



This three-dimensional perspective of Valley in the northern Tibetan Plateau of western China was created by combining two spaceborne radar images using a technique known as interferometry. Visualizations like this are helpful to scientists because they reveal where the slopes of the valley are cut by erosion, as well as the accumulations of gravel deposits at the base of the mountains.

 $z = (1/N) \Sigma zi$

Spaceborne Imaging Radar-C/X-band Synthetic Aperture Radar (SIR-C/X-SAR), TOPSAR,

Surface roughness measurement

- A roughness board of 130x45-cm size was used to measure surface roughness.
 - First measurement was done during the fallow period (9 May 1998) when the paddy fields
- are assumed to have the smallest root mean square height deviation.
 - Second measurement was made during the start of land preparation (6 July 1998) when
- the paddy fields would have their maximum height deviation from the mean.



Quantitative Soil Moisture Measurement Using ERS-2 Cband SAR data in Sukhothai

- Satellite Synchronized Field Survey -



Soil moisture & radar backscatter



Radar backscatter plotted against volumetric soil moisture:

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Paddy fields at various observation dates





6 Sep 97 ERS-2 SAR scene SMVol = 26.55 Plant height = 24.87 cm Wet biomass = 95.2 g/sq.m



Rice Growth Monitoring Using Near Real Time RADARSAT Fine Beam SAR Data in Pathumth:

Deployment sites of corner reflectors, plotted On ADEOS AVNIR image Canada – Japan – Thailand Within 8 hrs after reception



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Geometry of Interferometric SAR



Imaging geometry for repeat-pass interferometric SAR. Antenna A_1 and antenna A_2 both transmit and receive pulses

http://www.geo.unizh.ch/rsl/fringe96/papers/herland/

Processing chain for generation of interferometric fringes and coherence



Example of interferometric fringes with average coherence 0.5



Filtered interferometric fringes



Synthetic interferometric fringes



Rectified height model



Existing height model

Example, Mapping Mayon Volcano, Albay, Philippines



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Flattened Interferogram 1996





Phase unwrapped image 1996 INSAR DEM with 160-meter cycle



3D image view using INSAR DEM



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The Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) is to map the world in three dimensions.

Using the Spaceborne Imaging Radar (SIR-C) and X-Band Synthetic Aperture Radar (X-SAR) hardware that flew twice on Space Shuttle Endeavour in 1994, SRTM will collect the following in a single 11-day shuttle flight:







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Improvement of DEM 30arcsec -> 1 arcsec



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Thank you for Attention