

## Data Type in programming

<http://searchmicroservices.techtarget.com/definition/data-type>

- a classification that specifies which type of value a variable has and what type of mathematical, relational or logical operations can be applied to it without causing an error
  - ✓ a string, for example, is a data type that is used to classify text and an integer is a data type used to classify whole numbers
  - ✓ <http://desktop.arcgis.com/en/arcmap/10.3/manage-data/geodatabases/arcgis-field-data-types.htm>
- to prevent errors, save spaces, ...
  - ✓ it is logical to ask the computer to multiply a float by an integer (1.5 x 5), it is illogical to ask the computer to multiply a float by a string (1.5 x Alice)

## Definition from Campbell, p. 6

- Remote sensing is the practice of deriving information about the Earth's land and water surfaces using images acquired from an overhead perspective, using electromagnetic radiation in one or more regions of the electromagnetic spectrum, reflected or emitted from the Earth's surface.

images

overhead perspective

Electromagnetic radiation / spectrum

reflected or emitted

## So, RS is ...

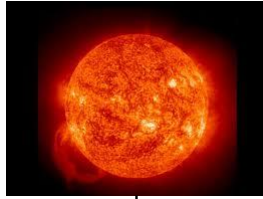
- Eyes observing the Earth, but



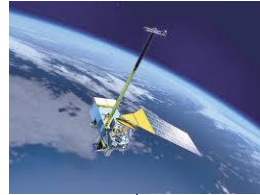
touch me not!

# Components of RS System

*Energy Source*



*Sensor*



**Target**

**Transmission**

## Example: Weather S. Image

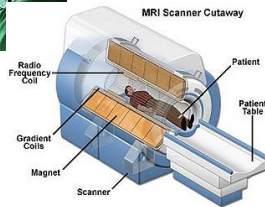


- *target*: Earth's surface
- *energy*: travels through the atmosphere and space and reaches the sensor
- *sensor*: measures, records the energy to depict the differences in temp. across the planet's surface

## Other Examples: not limited to ...



*Astronomy & Cosmology:  
birth, life, and death of stars*



*Medical Applications: X-ray, MRI...*



## As an integral part of mapping & GIS

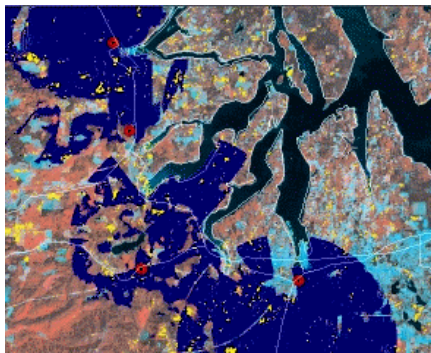
- Updating Databases
- Categorizing Land Cover and Characterizing Sites
- Identifying and Summarizing Natural Hazard Damage
- Identifying and Monitoring Urban Growth and Changes
- Extracting Features Automatically
- Assessing Vegetation Stress

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- *Updating Databases*  
: use imagery to identify changes and make revisions  
and corrections to geographic database

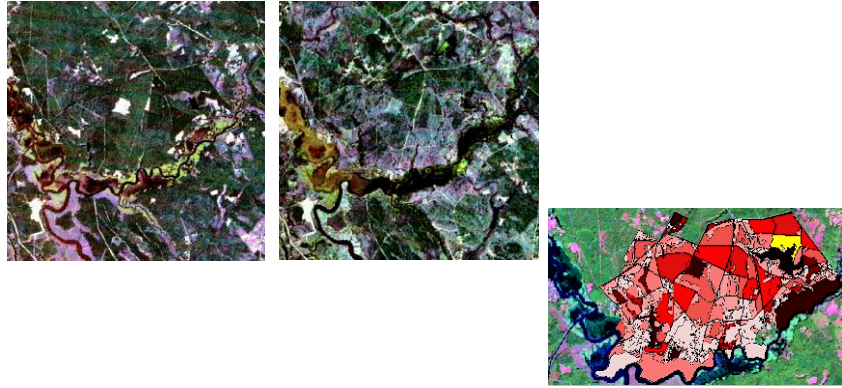
## As an integral part of mapping & GIS



- *Categorizing Land Cover and Characterizing Sites*  
: categorize images into land cover classes  
to help identify suitable locations



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- *Identifying and Summarizing Natural Hazard Damage*  
: before & after Hurricane,  
identifies the forest boundary for comparison

## As an integral part of mapping & GIS



LandSat 5  
August 13, 1986



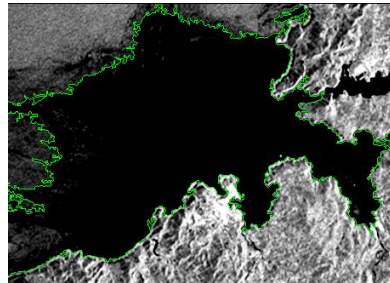
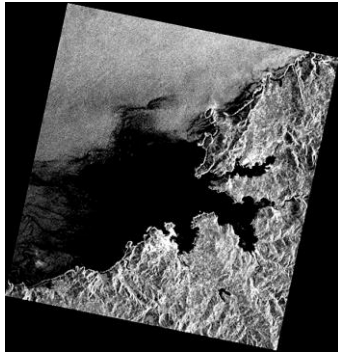
LandSat 8  
August 10, 2014

Urban Growth in Columbus, Ohio

Urban Growth in Columbus, Ohio  
Sensor: L5 TM, L8 OLI  
Acquisition Date: August 13, 1986, August 10, 2014  
Path/Row: 19/32  
Lat/Long: 40.300/-82.600  
Pop.: 600,000 to 820,000

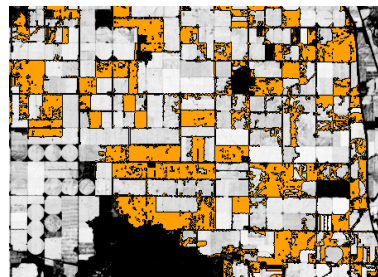
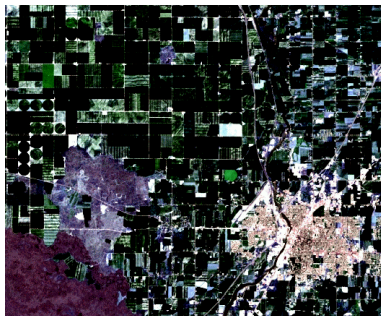


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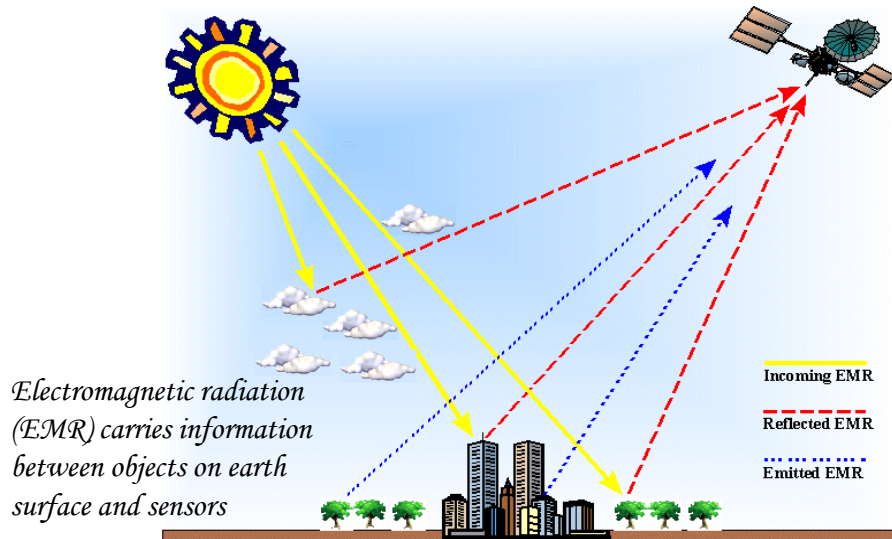
- *Extracting Features Automatically*  
: mapping the extent of an oil spill as part of a rapid response effort

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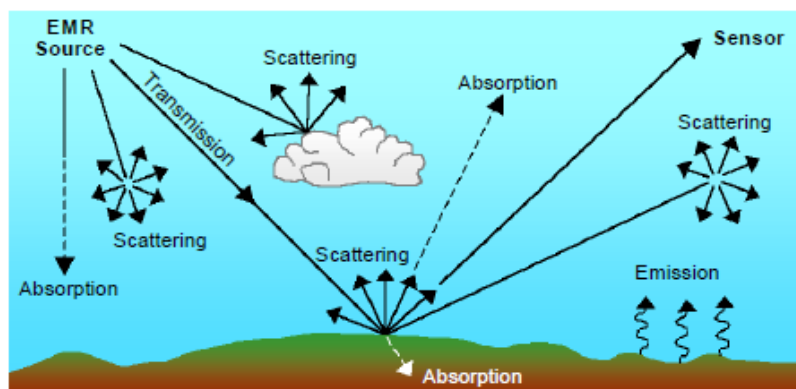


- *Assessing Vegetation Stress*  
: identify and monitor a crop's health

# How Does Remote Sensing Work?



## Interaction Processes in RS



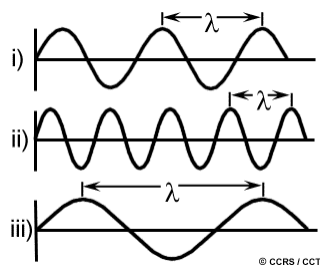


# Electromagnetic Radiation

With the exception of objects at absolute zero, all objects **emit electromagnetic radiation**. Objects also **reflect** radiation that has been emitted by other objects. By recording emitted or reflected radiation, and applying a knowledge of its behavior as it passes through the earth's atmosphere and interacts with objects, remote sensing analysts develop a knowledge of the character of features such as vegetation, structures, soils, rock, or water bodies on the earth's surface. Interpretation of remote sensing imagery depends on a sound understanding of **electromagnetic radiation** and its interaction with surfaces and the atmosphere.

- Campbell, p. 31

## Wavelength & Frequency



$$c = \lambda \nu$$

where:

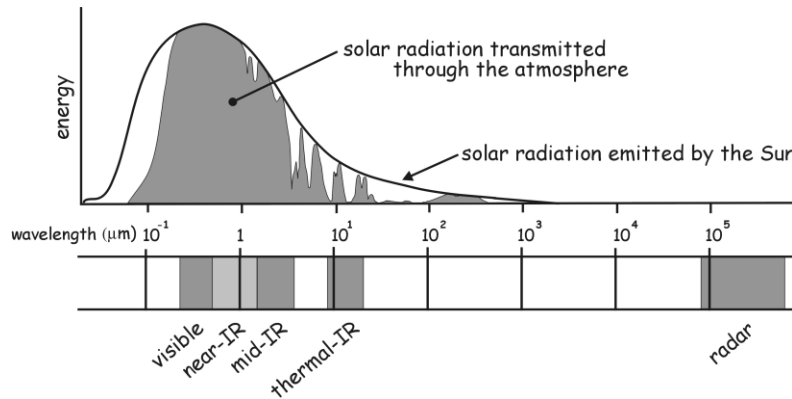
$\lambda$  = wavelength (m)

$\nu$  = frequency (cycles per second, Hz)

$c$  = speed of light ( $3 \times 10^8$  m/s)

- *Inversely related to each other*
  - : The shorter the wavelength, the higher the frequency.
  - : The longer the wavelength, the lower the frequency.

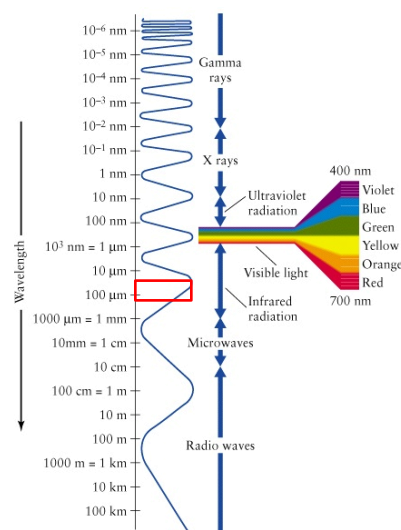
# Electromagnetic Spectrum



- Human eyes perceive light in the visible portion of the spectrum between  $0.4$  and  $0.7 \mu\text{m}$ .
- Specific bands of wavelengths are used for remote sensing.  
 : Reflected IR & Emitted (or Thermal) IR  
 : Near-IR ( $0.7 \sim 1.3 \mu\text{m}$ ), Mid-IR ( $1.3 \sim 3.0 \mu\text{m}$ ), Far IR ( $7.0 \sim 1,000 \mu\text{m}$ )

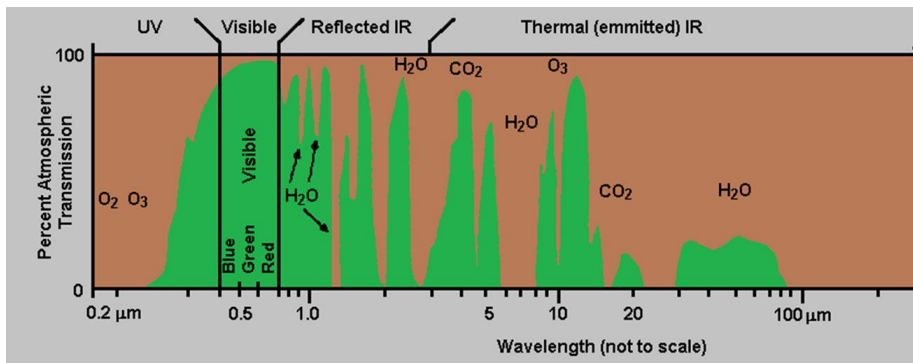
## TIR Radiation

- Radiation at wavelengths between  $3 - 14 \mu\text{m}$
- The earth with its ambient temperature of ca. 300 K has its peak energy emission in the thermal infrared region at around  $9.7 \mu\text{m}$ .

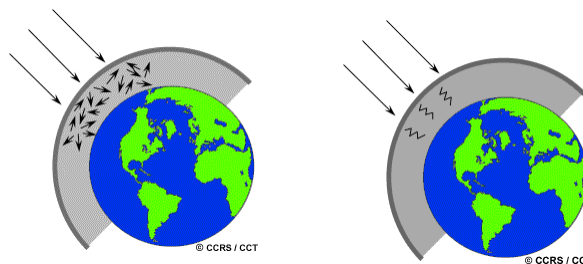


## Atmospheric Windows in the Thermal IR Region

- situated between  $3 - 5 \mu\text{m}$  and  $8 - 14 \mu\text{m}$ 
  - ✓ an excellent atmospheric window lies between  $8 - 14 \mu\text{m}$
  - ✓ note the narrow absorption band from 9 to 10  $\mu\text{m}$  caused by ozone which is omitted by most thermal IR satellite sensors



## Interactions with Atmosphere



- **Scattering**: particles or large gas molecules interact with and cause the electromagnetic radiation to be redirected
- **Absorption**: causes molecules in the atmosphere to absorb energy at various wavelengths

## Interactions with Target

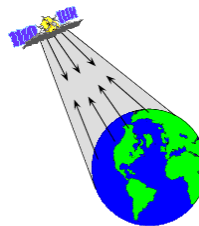
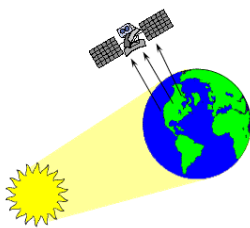


- Absorption (A)
- Transmission (T)
- Reflection (R)

### *Leaves*

- : A chemical compound in leaves called chlorophyll strongly absorbs radiation in the red and blue wavelengths but reflects green wavelengths.
- : Leaves appear “greenest” to us in the summer, when chlorophyll content is at its maximum.

## Passive and Active Sensors



- *Passive*
  - : detect energy when the naturally occurring energy is available
  - : visible, near-infrared and thermal imaging sensors
- *Active*
  - : provide their own energy source for illumination
  - : microwave (Radar) sensors

# Spectral Signatures

- Experimental studies in field, in the laboratory, and experience with multi-spectral satellite imagery have shown that the spectral information (curve) is useful in identifying and distinguishing targets
- Because spectral responses measured by remote sensors over various features often permit an assessment of the type and/or condition of the features, these responses have often referred to as *spectral signatures*
- Other information for indentifying targets
  - ✓ Spatial clues (pattern, size, shape, texture)
  - ✓ Temporal (*phenology*)

# Sensor and Platform

- **A remote sensing platform is designed** with a relatively narrow set of purposes in mind. Many important decisions must be made when designing a remote sensing technology. The *type of sensor and its capabilities* must be defined. The *platform* on which the sensors will be mounted must be determined. The *means by which the remotely-sensed data is received, transmitted, and processed before delivery to its end user* must be designed. All of these decisions are made *based on knowledge of the target and the information about the target* that is in demand, balanced by other factors such as cost, availability of resources, and time constraints.



## Two Major Platforms

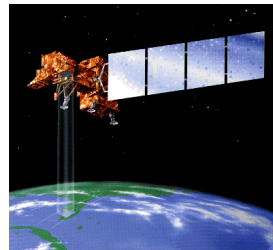
### Aerial Photographs

- small area coverage
- severe distortion
- high spatial resolution
- flexible on image acquisition



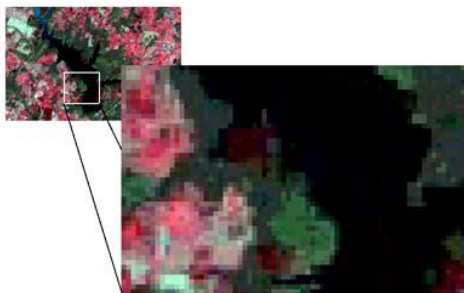
### Satellite Images

- large area coverage
- geometrically accurate
- low spatial resolution
- limited flexibility on image acquisition



## Digital Image

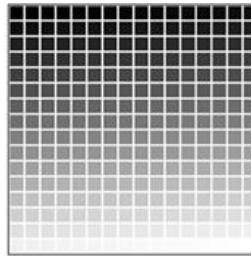
- Sensor measures the intensity of EMR
  - this detected energy level is converted into a digital value known as **Digital Number** (DN, or **brightness value**)
  - pixel (short for “picture element”) is a single dot that contains the numerical value



- So *digital image* is a collection of numeric data that is capable of being displayed as an image.

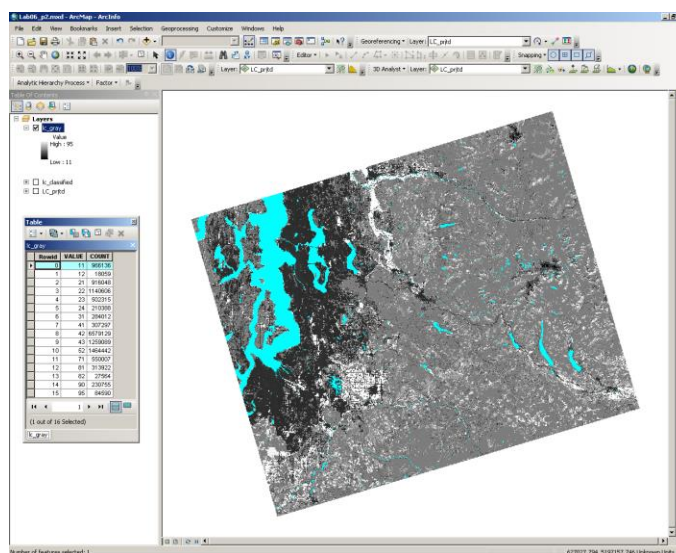
# Gray Scale

- Most raw unprocessed satellite imagery is stored in a gray scale format
  - a gray scale is a color scale that ranges from black to white, with varying intermediate shades of gray
  - a commonly used 256 shade gray scale, where a value of 0 represents a pure black color, the value of 255 represents pure white, and each value in between represents a progressively darker shade of gray



• 256 level gray scale

# Gray Scale



## Enhancing Image Data

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- The human eye can only distinguish between about 16 shades of gray in an image
  - ✓ however it is able to distinguish between millions of different colors
  - ✓ thus, a common image enhancement technique is to assign specific DN values to specific colors, thereby increasing the contrast of particular DN values with the surrounding pixels in an image

## True color and False color

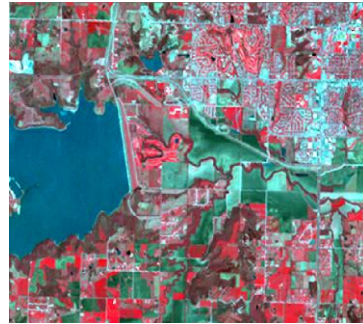
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- A **true color image** is one for which the colors have been assigned to DN values that represent the actual spectral range of the colors used in the image
  - ✓ blue features appear blue, green features appear green, red features appear red
  - ✓ a photograph is an example of a true color image
- **False color** is a technique by which colors are assigned to spectral bands that do not equate to the spectral range of the selected color
  - ✓ this allows an analyst to highlight particular features of interest using a color scheme that makes the features stand out

## Displaying Multiple Band Images



- *Band: 3, 2, 1*
- *Natural color*



- *Band: 4, 3, 2*
- *NIR false color*

## Multiple Bands

- Humans cannot see light past the visible spectrum, but satellites are able to detect wavelengths into the ultraviolet and infrared
- Satellite instruments are able to obtain many images of the same location, at the same time
- Each image highlights a different part of the electromagnetic spectrum, called a **band**
- The Landsat 7 satellite uses an instrument that collects seven images (+1 panchromatic image) at once

# Multiple Bands

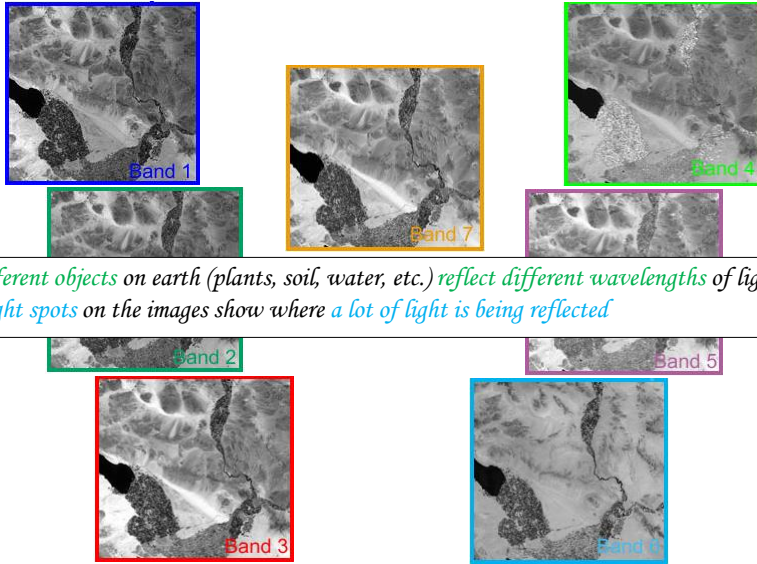
Sensor Name	Number of Channels	Spectral Range	Spectral Resolution	Spatial Resolution	Dynamic Range
GeoEye-1	3-V 1-NIR 1-pan	0.450–0.510 $\mu\text{m}$ (B) 0.510–0.580 $\mu\text{m}$ (G) 0.655–0.690 $\mu\text{m}$ (R) 0.780–0.920 $\mu\text{m}$ (NIR) 0.450–0.800 $\mu\text{m}$ (pan)	35–140 nm (VNIR) 350 nm (pan)	1.65 m (VNIR) 0.41m (pan) at nadir	11 bits
LANDSAT-7	3-V 1-NIR 2-SWIR 1-TIR 1-pan	0.450–0.515 $\mu\text{m}$ (B) 0.525–0.605 $\mu\text{m}$ (G) 0.630–0.690 $\mu\text{m}$ (R) 0.750–0.900 $\mu\text{m}$ (NIR) 1.55–1.75 $\mu\text{m}$ (SWIR) 2.08–2.35 $\mu\text{m}$ (SWIR) 10.40–12.50 $\mu\text{m}$ (TIR) 0.520–0.900 $\mu\text{m}$ (pan)	60–150 nm (VNIR) 200–270 nm (SWIR) 2100 nm (TIR) 380 nm (pan)	30 m (XS) 60 m (TIR) 15m (pan)	8 bits
SPOT-5	2-V 1-NIR 1-SWIR 1-pan	0.500–0.590 $\mu\text{m}$ (G) 0.610–0.680 $\mu\text{m}$ (R) 0.780–0.890 $\mu\text{m}$ (NIR) 1.58–1.75 $\mu\text{m}$ (SWIR) 0.480–0.710 $\mu\text{m}$ (pan)	70–110 nm (VNIR) 170 nm (SWIR) 380 nm (pan)	10 m (XS) 20m (SWIR) 2.5m (pan)	8 bits

## Landsat 7, the Enhanced Thematic Mapper Plus (ETM+)

Band	Name	Band Width ( $\lambda$ , $\mu\text{m}$ )	Spatial Resolution
1	Blue	0.45-0.515	30 m
2	Green	0.525-0.605	30 m
3	Red	0.63-0.69	30 m
4	Near Infrared	0.75-0.90	30 m
5	Shortwave IR-1	1.55-1.75	30 m
6	Thermal IR	10.4-12.5	60 m / 120 m*
7	Shortwave IR-2	2.09-2.35	30 m
8*	Panchromatic	0.52-0.9	15 m

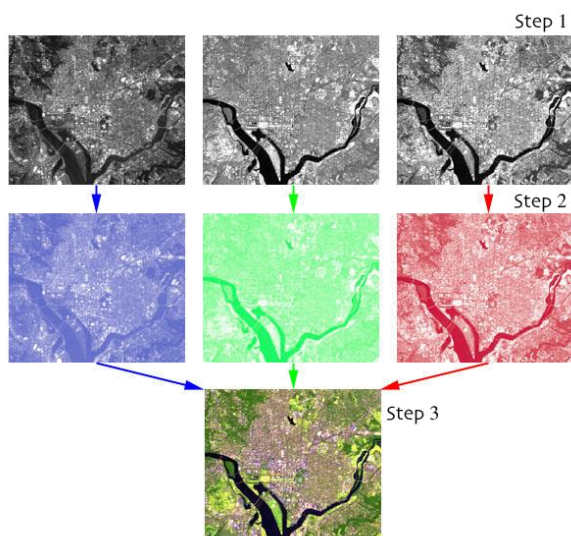


# Multiple Bands of Landsat 7



- *different objects* on earth (plants, soil, water, etc.) *reflect different wavelengths* of light
- *bright spots* on the images show where *a lot of light* is being reflected

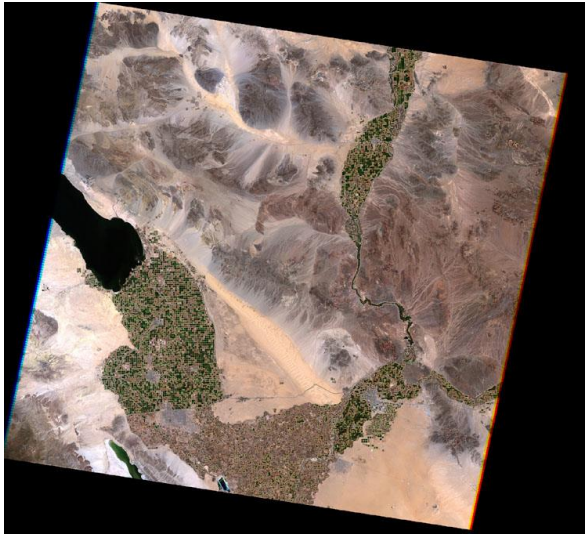
## Band Combinations



### • Step 3

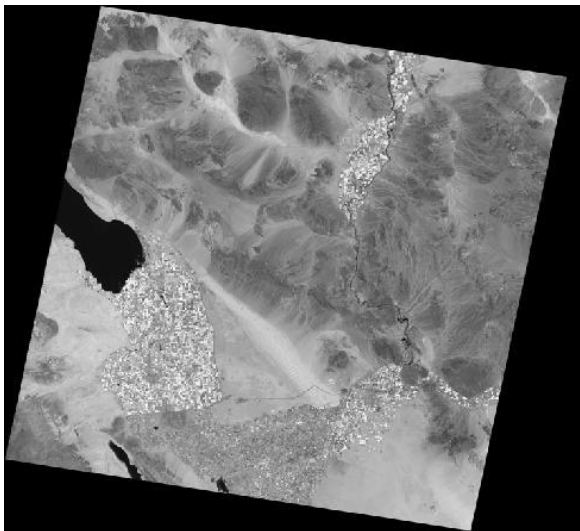
- Some pictures are not possible to make with these bands because using different bands (or wavelengths) for each different contrast (light and dark areas)

## Sample Images: Landsat 7



- "true color" image of the desert around the Salton Sea and Imperial Valley in Southern California

## Sample Images: Landsat 7



- Band 4 image : 0.76 and 0.90 $\mu$ m

- What do you think the light areas are?

- The light areas are vegetation.

- In band 4 (NIR), vegetation is highly reflective.

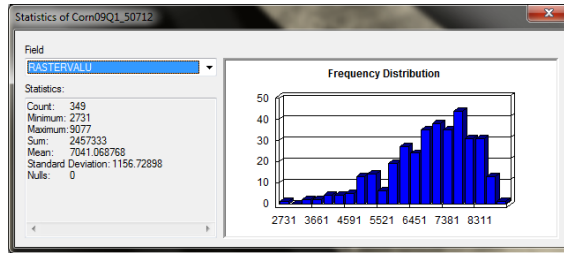
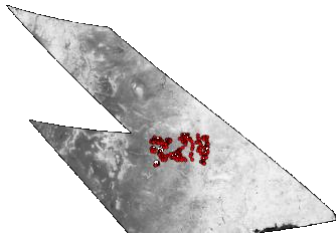
## Vegetation Indexes - NDVI

- Importance of vegetation monitoring on a regular basis
  - ✓ crop progress
  - ✓ grassland condition
  - ✓ forest (fire fuel, condition, deforestation)
- An early goal was to develop a single numerical index to create a new image that would correspond to specific canopy measurements: green biomass, LAI, % vegetative ground cover
- Based on the relationships among the bands
- Note the spectral curves and relationships – e.g., what happens to the vegetation curve when it goes from actively growing green vegetation to dying or dead vegetation.
- Some vegetation indices have been single bands, but most have been ratios of bands.
- NDVI (Rouse, et al., '73) - developed it initially with MSS data
- NDVI is far and away the most common vegetation index.

## Vegetation Indexes - NDVI

- Formula:  $(\text{NIR} - \text{Red}) / (\text{NIR} + \text{Red})$
- Potential values range from -1.0 to +1.0
  - ✓ low values (around .20 or less) have little or no green vegetation
  - ✓ higher values (around .30 or greater) have increasing amounts of green vegetation
- What bands would be used for calculating NDVI using TM?
- NIR = 24, Red = 20, NDVI = ?
- NIR = 34, Red = 12, NDVI = ?

# MODIS NDVI



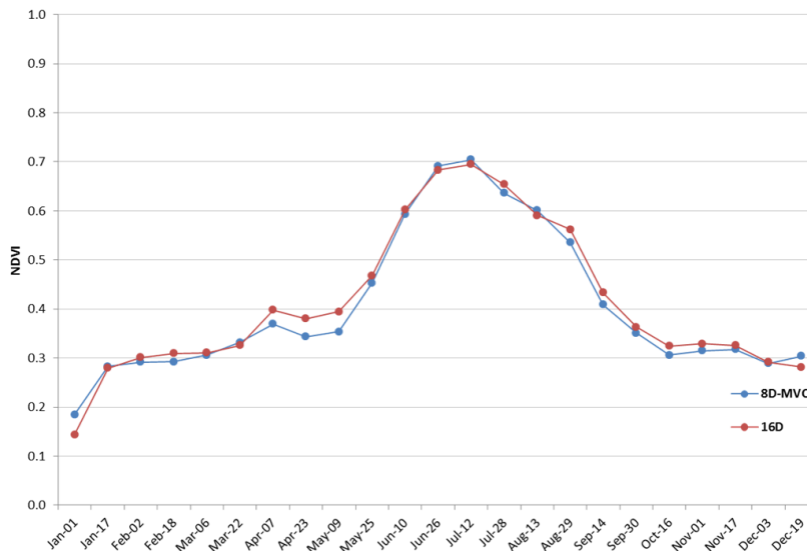
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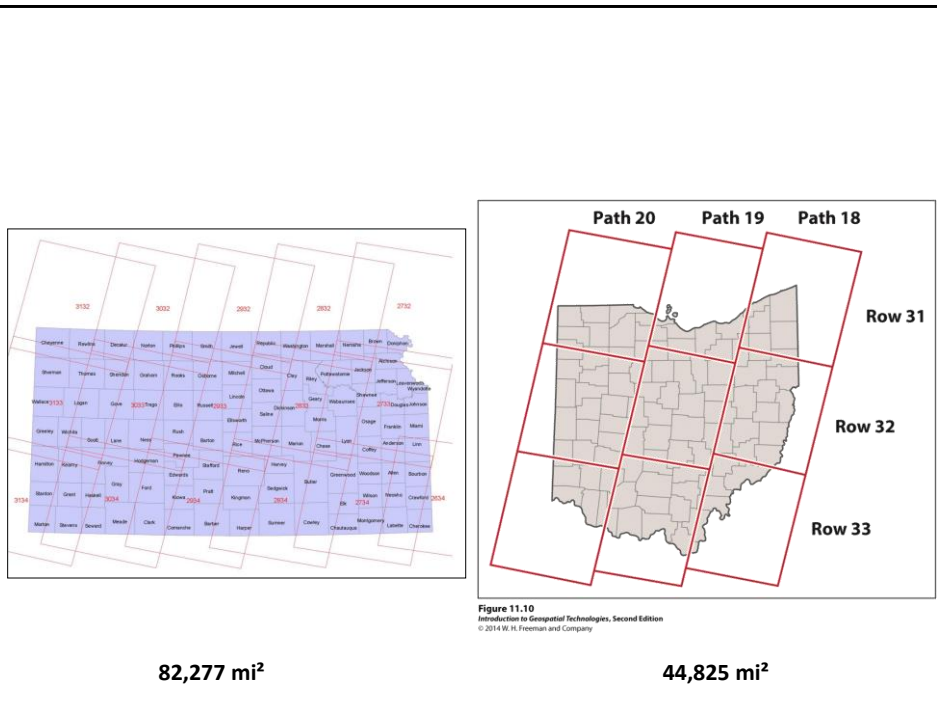
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2	Point		0	0	46	46	-156597.21875	1883239.75	8448
3	Point		0	0	55	55	-122762.734375	1882924.875	7384
4	Point		0	0	64	64	-168801.625	1881957.5	8656
5	Point		0	0	65	65	-141726.0625	1881307.75	7161
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Corn09Q1\_50712

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## ASCII to Raster

- ASCII2Grid.txt
  - ✓ Conversion Tools > To Raster > ASCII to Raster

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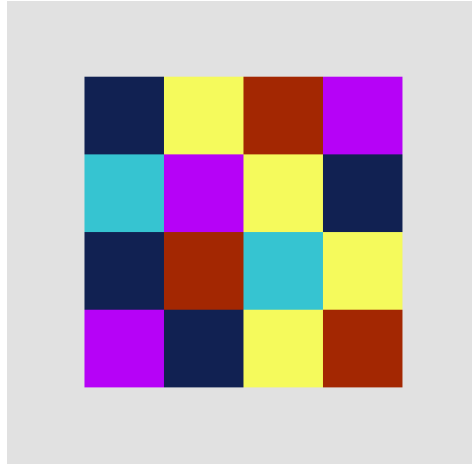
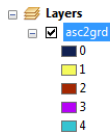
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General Source Key Metadata Extent Display Symbology	
Property	Value
<b>Raster Information</b>	
Columns and Rows	6, 6
Number of Bands	1
Cell Size (X, Y)	10, 10
Uncompressed Size	144 B
Format	GRID
Source Type	Generic
Pixel Type	unsigned integer
Pixel Depth	8 Bit



# How many cells?



- What is the number of cells of which **VALUE** is **3** in the layer?

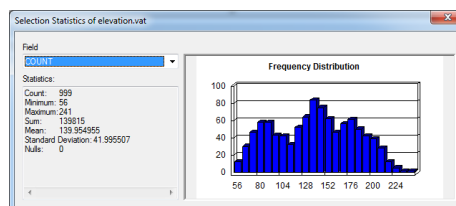
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4	4	2

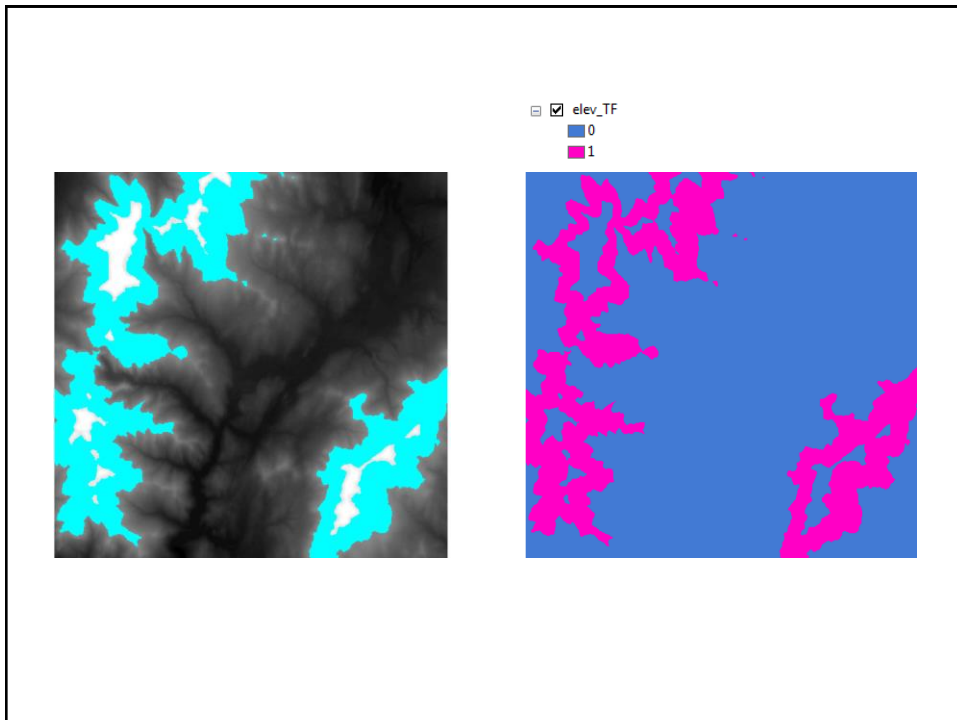
# True or False

- ("elevation" > 2000) & ("elevation" < 3000)
- ("VALUE" > 2000) AND( "VALUE" < 3000)

Rowid	VALUE	COUNT
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1552	2003	207
1553	2004	205
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1565	2016	191
1566	2017	211
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1571	2022	236
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1574	2025	172
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1576	2027	187
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1578	2029	208

Rowid	VALUE	COUNT
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## Querying across multiple grid layers

- $([depth] < 20) \ \& \ ([slope] > 5) \ \& \ ([salinity] < 0.015)$
- What's the benefit?
  - ✓ In a typical tabular query, the query is performed on a single table.
  - ✓ In the case presented above, the query simultaneously finds cells that match the value of several raster grids (not just values in a single table).
  - ✓ The cell *locations* are determined by the spatial referencing framework, but the *values* are determined by different values across multiple raster grids.

# Executing tools in Map Algebra

- Create a Slope
- Average of the max. temp. from 1995 through 1999

