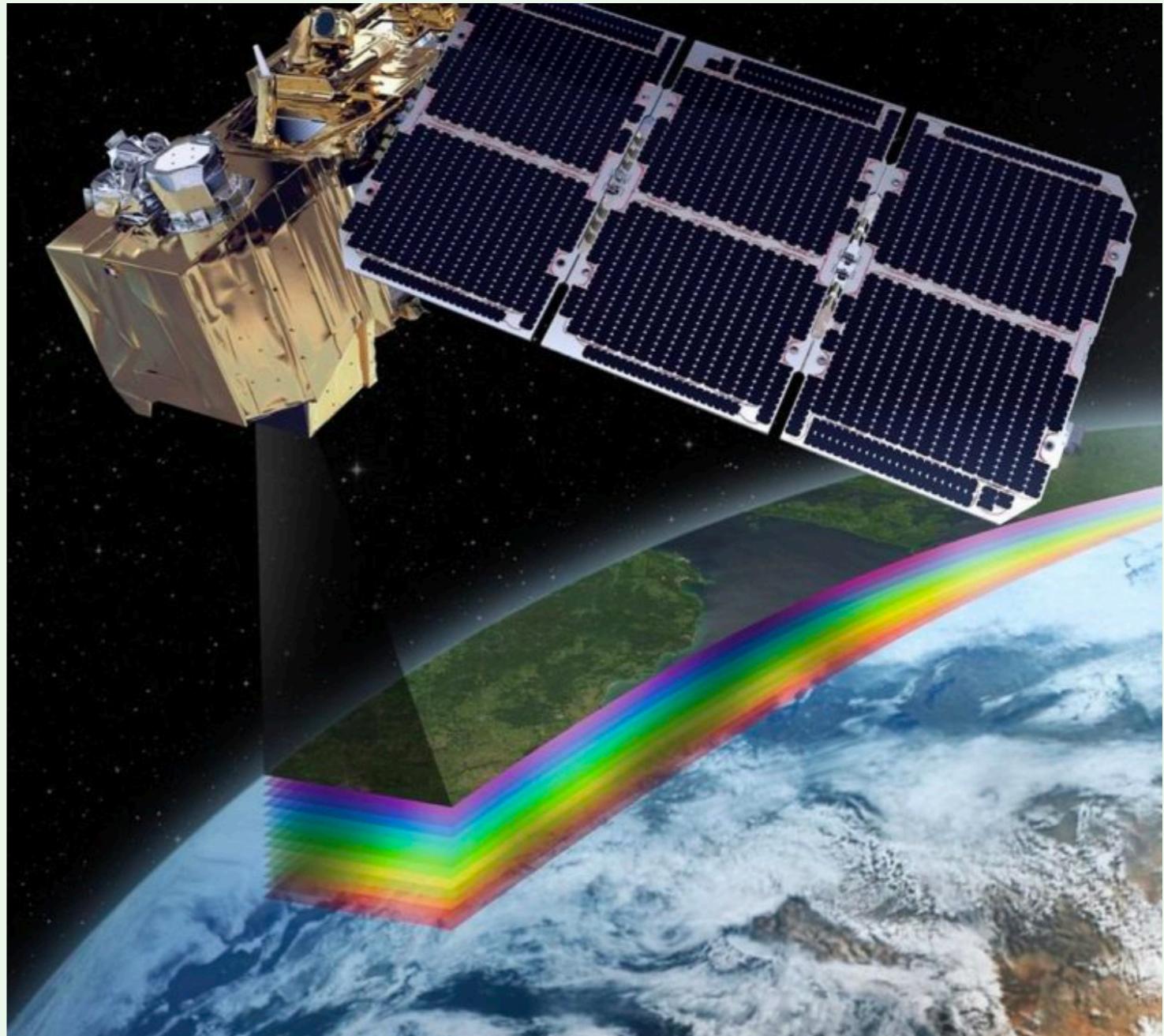
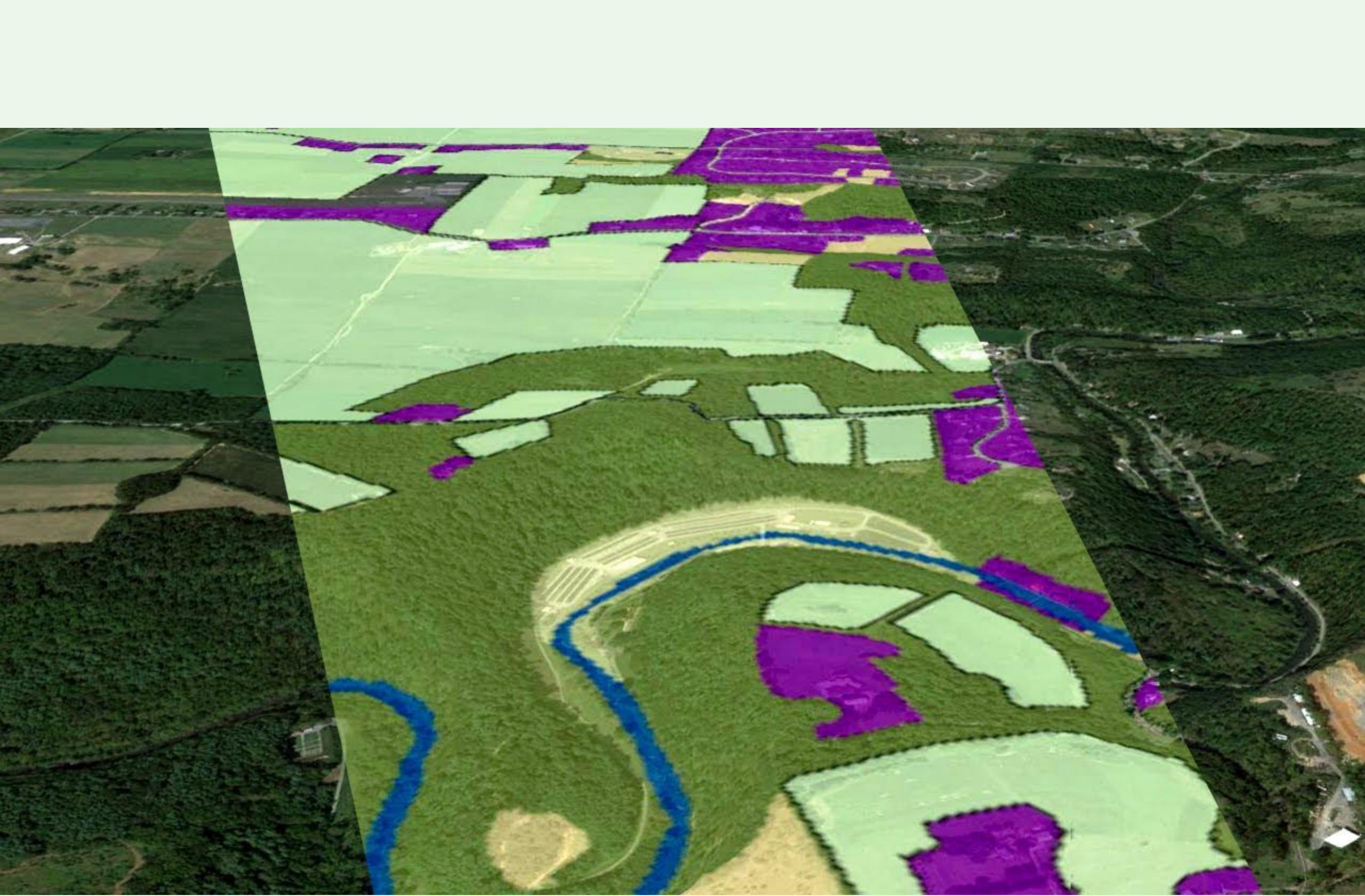


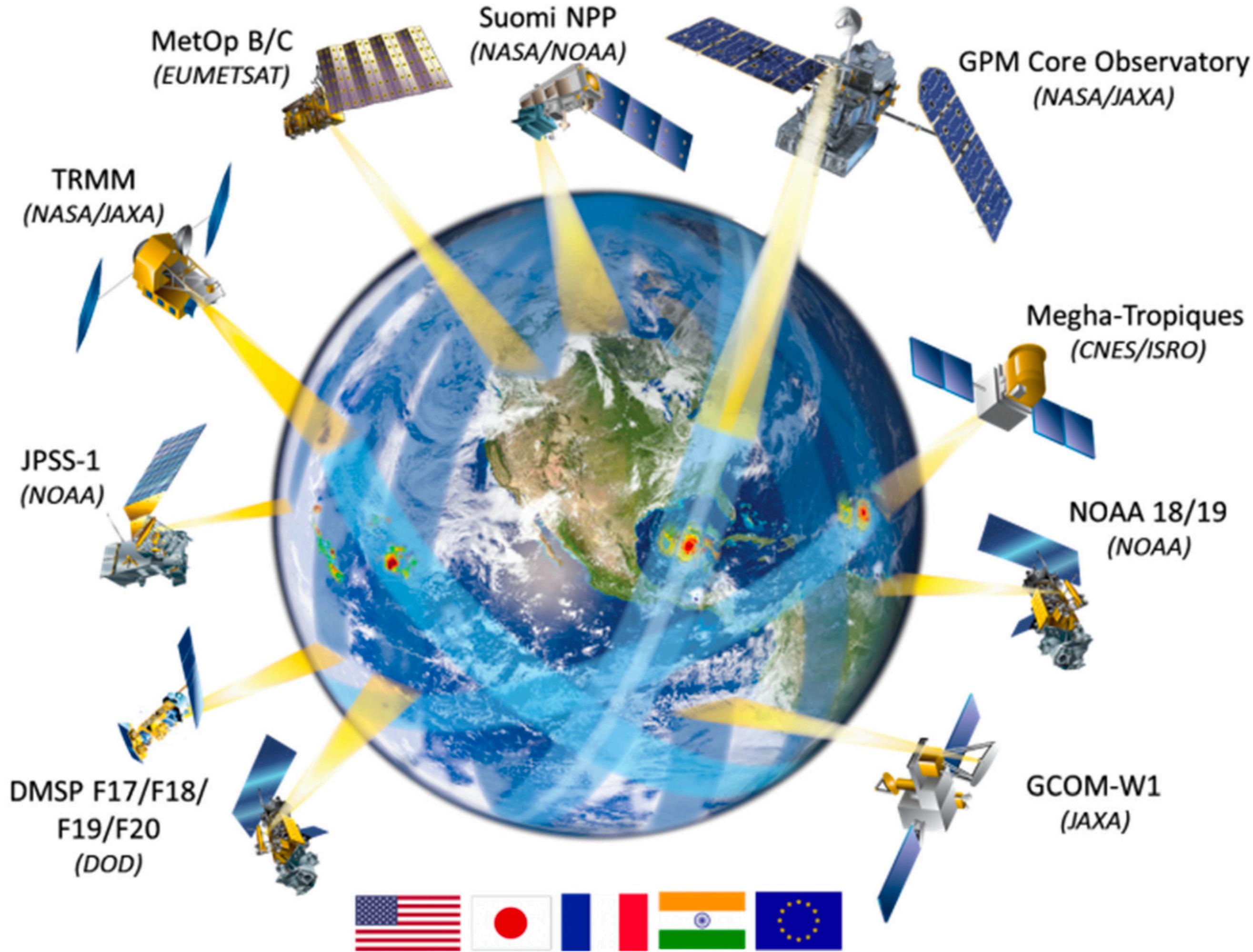
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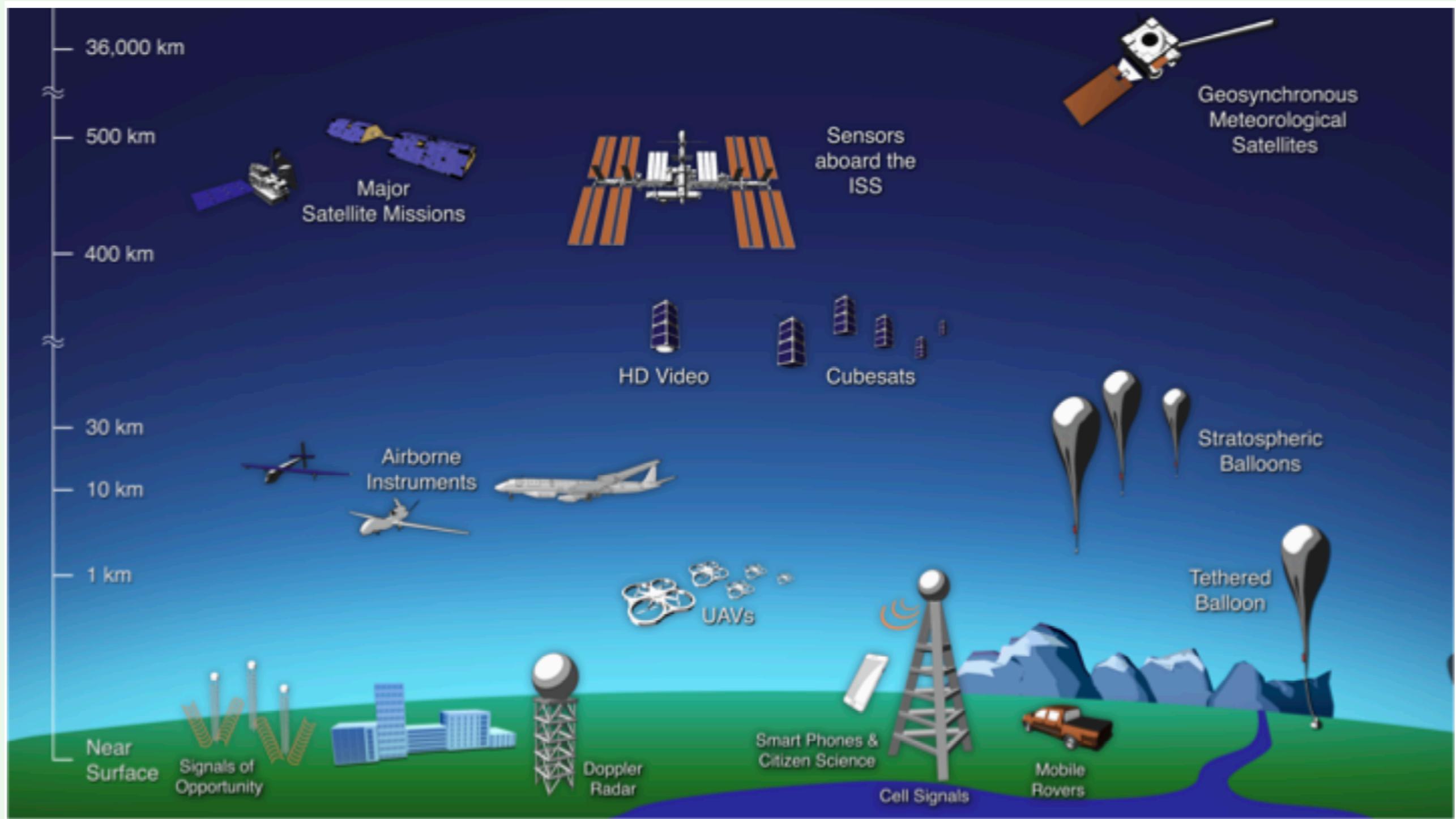
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### Remote Sensing

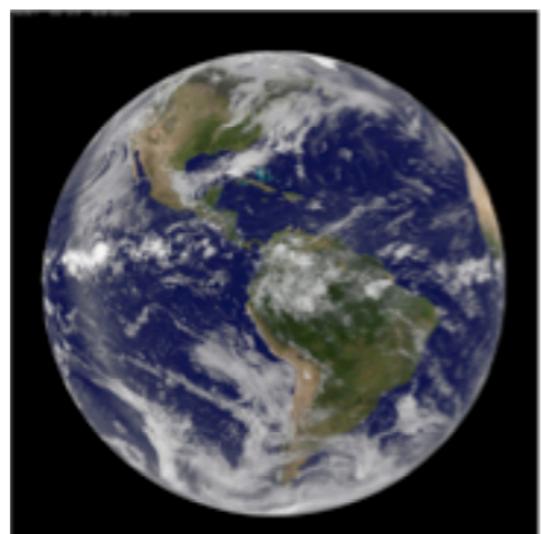
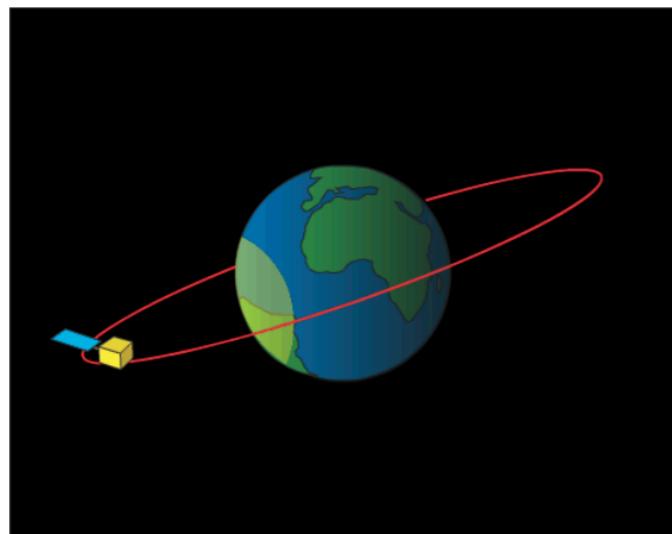






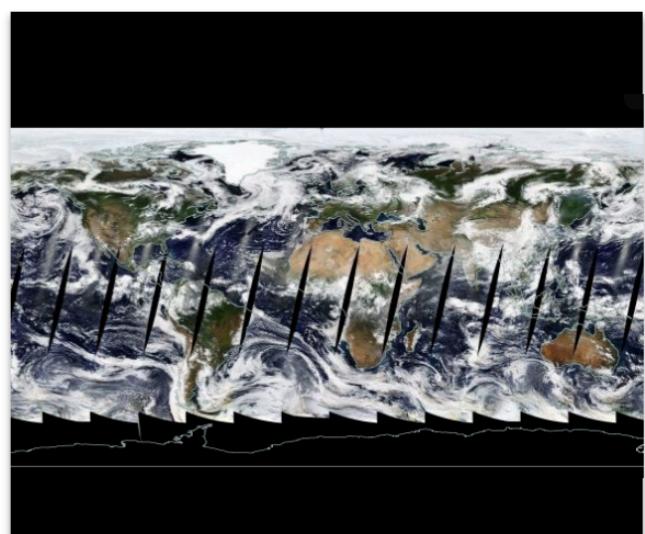
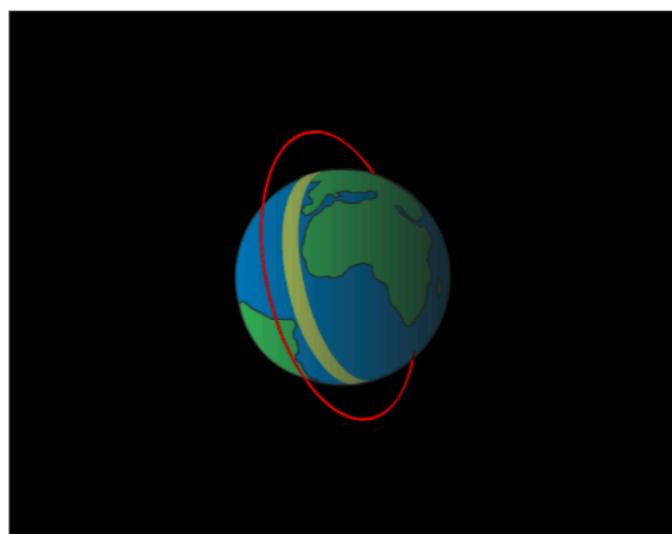


# Common Orbit Types



## Geostationary Orbit

- Has the same rotational period as Earth
- Appears 'fixed' above Earth
- Orbits ~36,000 km above the equator

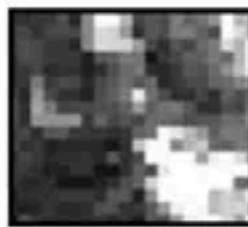


## Polar Orbit

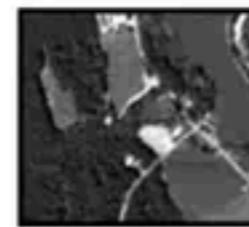
- Fixed, circular orbit above Earth
- Sun synchronous orbit ~600-1,000 km above Earth with orbital passes are at about the same **local solar time** each day

# Resolution

Spatial resolution  
(pixel size)



Landsat 30m

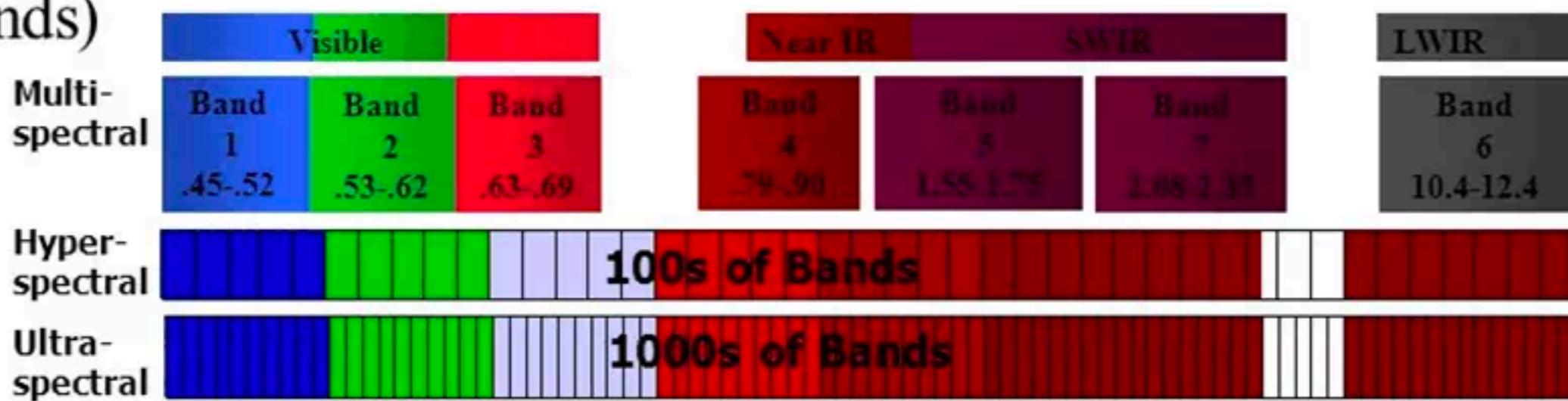


IKONOS 4m



Orthophoto 0.5m

Spectral resolution  
(# bands)



Radiometric resolution – bit depth

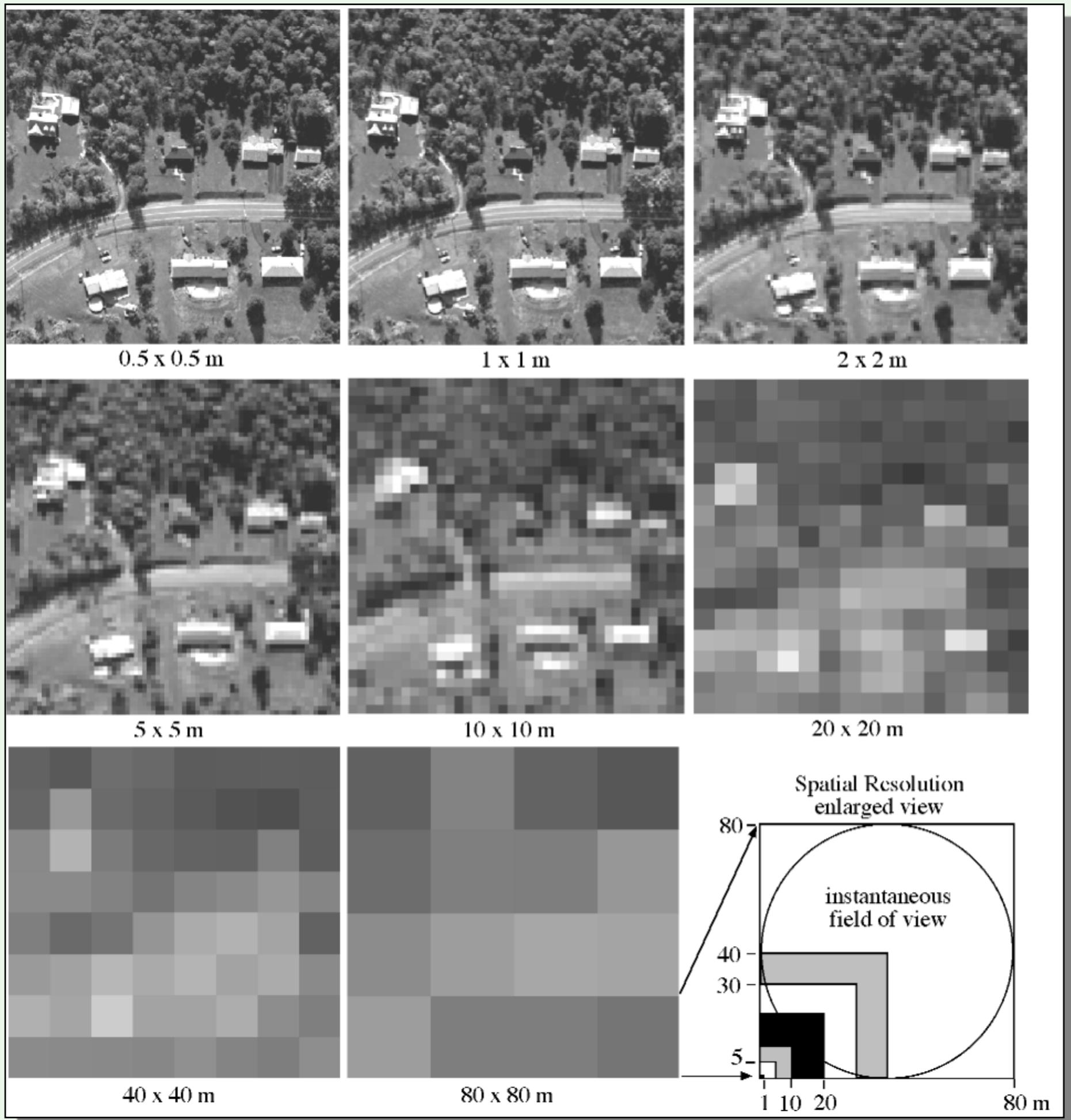


Temporal resolution – orbital period  
(return rate)



# Spatial resolution

- High spatial resolution
  - $< 4 \text{ m}$
  - Some are equivalent to aerial images
  - WorldView, ...
- Mid spatial resolution
  - $5 \sim 100 \text{ m}$
  - SPOT, Landsat, Sentinel, ...
  - Earth resources mapping satellites
- Coarse spatial resolution
  - $> 100 \text{ m}$
  - MODIS, GOES (weather satellites), ...

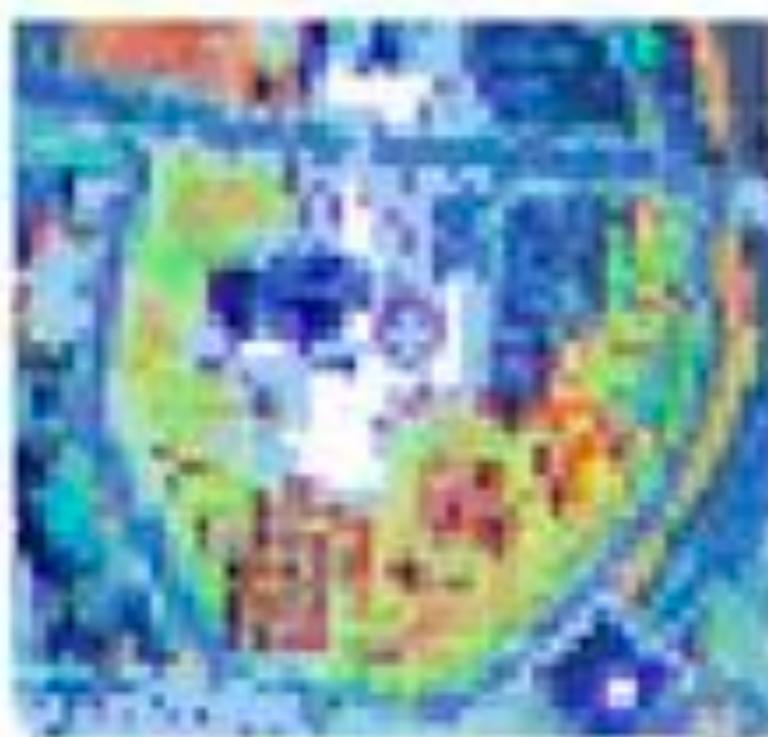


Different  
Spatial  
Resolutions

# Spatial resolution



Panchromatic Orthophotograph  
2 foot (.6 meter) resolution



Advanced Terrestrial Applications Sensor  
7.5 meter resolution



LandSat Enhanced Thematic Mapper Plus  
30 meter resolution

# High spatial resolution

WorldView-3 (30 cm)



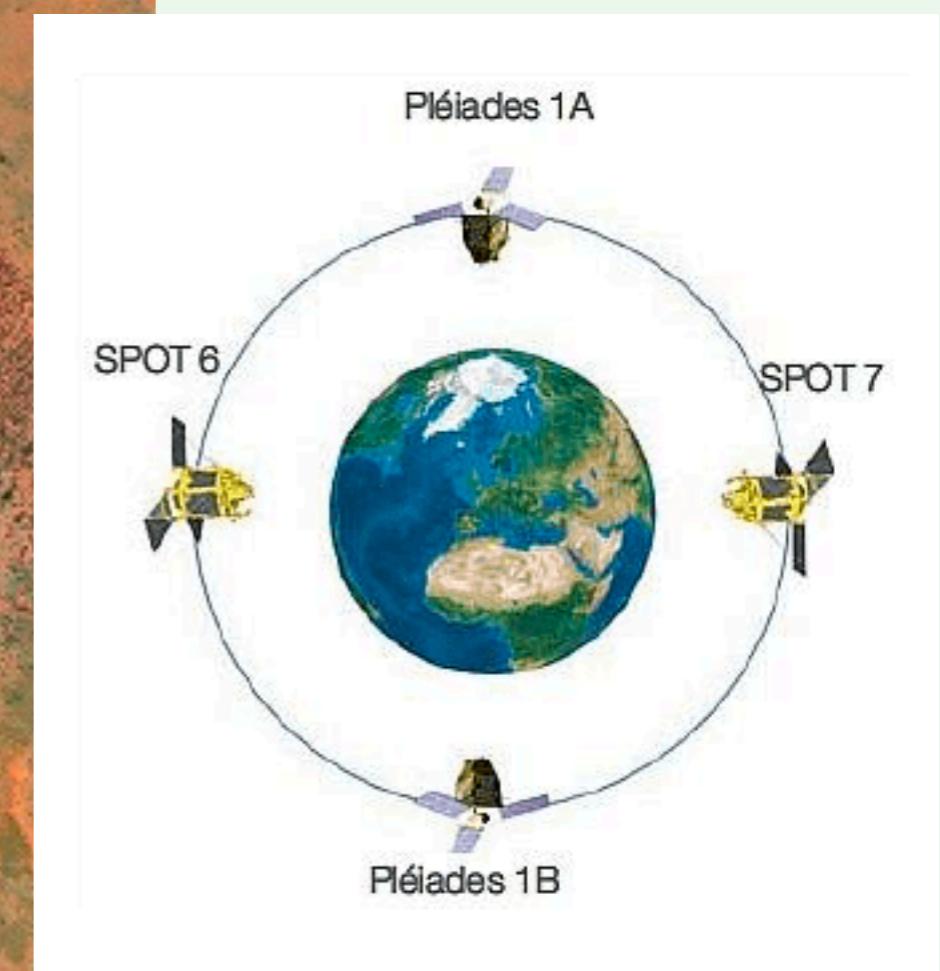
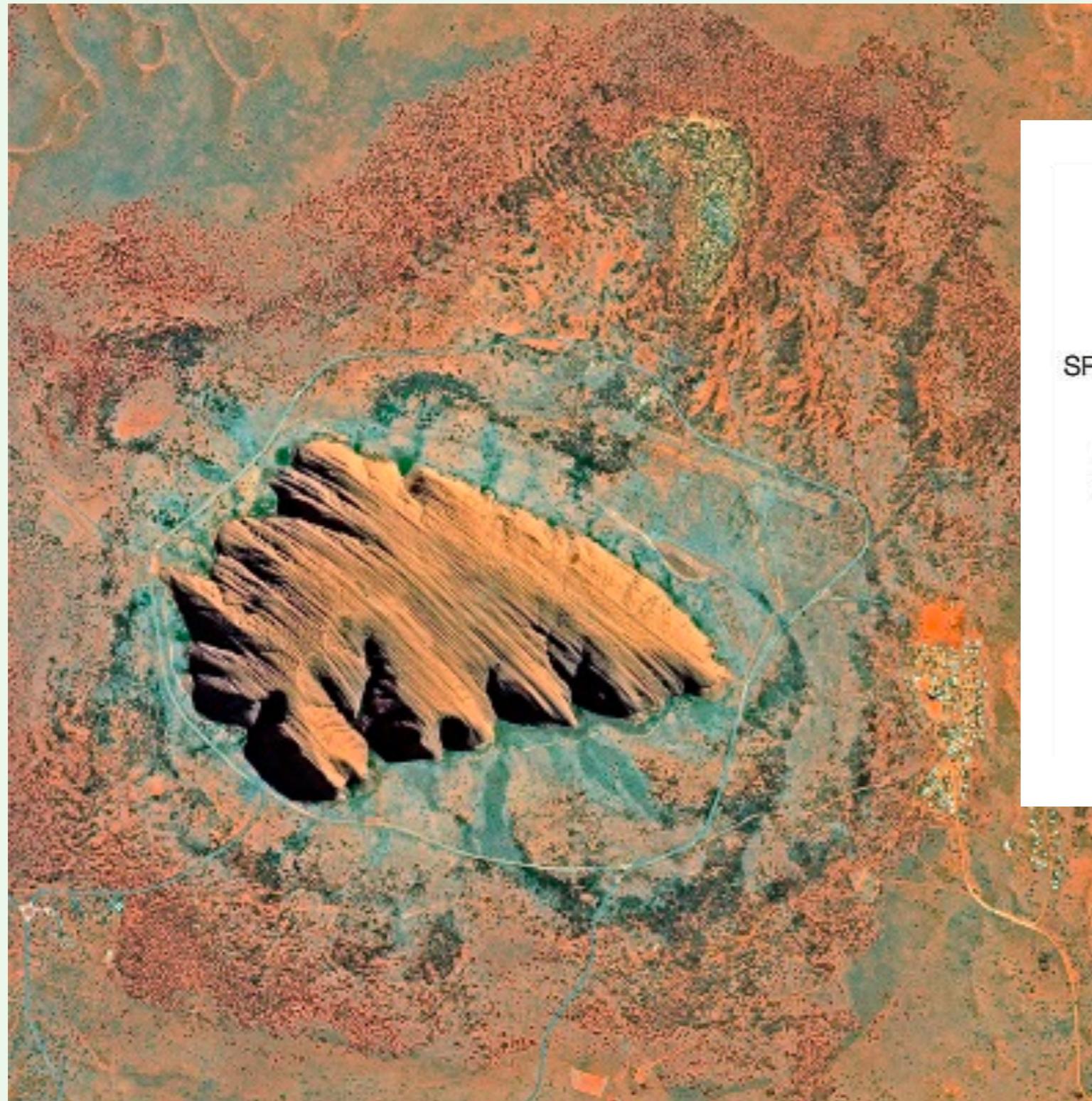
# Medium spatial resolution

Landsat (30 m)



# Medium spatial resolution

SPOT (6 m)





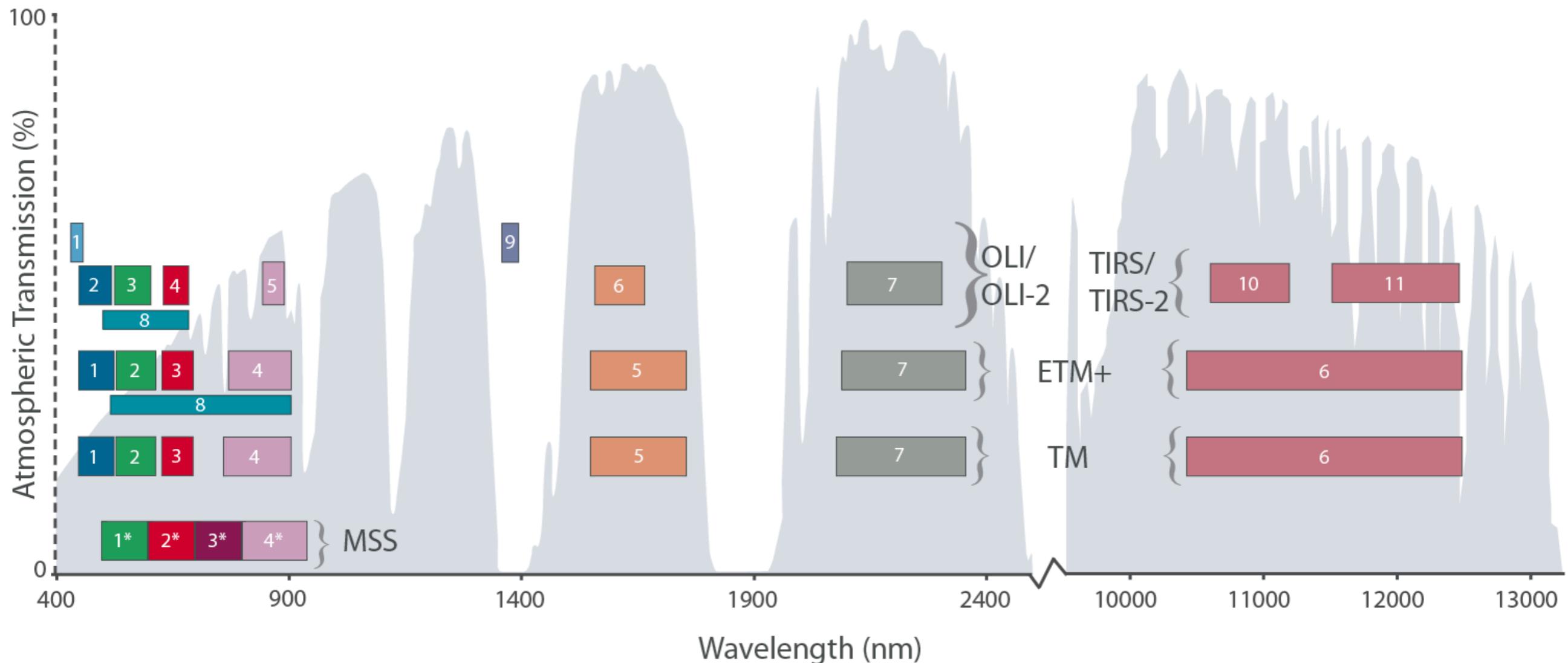
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# Low spatial resolution

MODIS (250 & 500 m)



# Spectral resolution



# Spectral resolution

	Bands	Wavelength (micrometers)	Resolution (meters)
<b>Landsat 8 Operational Land Imager (OLI) and Thermal Infrared Sensor (TIRS)</b>  Launched February 11, 2013	Band 1 - Coastal aerosol	0.43 - 0.45	30
	Band 2 - Blue	0.45 - 0.51	30
	Band 3 - Green	0.53 - 0.59	30
	Band 4 - Red	0.64 - 0.67	30
	Band 5 - Near Infrared (NIR)	0.85 - 0.88	30
	Band 6 - SWIR 1	1.57 - 1.65	30
	Band 7 - SWIR 2	2.11 - 2.29	30
	Band 8 - Panchromatic	0.50 - 0.68	15
	Band 9 - Cirrus	1.36 - 1.38	30
	Band 10 - Thermal Infrared (TIRS) 1	10.60 - 11.19	100
	Band 11 - Thermal Infrared (TIRS) 2	11.50 - 12.51	100

Black & White Film  
(Low spectral resolution)

0.4  $\mu\text{m}$       0.7  $\mu\text{m}$

Blue + Green + Red

Color Film  
(High Spectral Resolution)

0.4      0.5      0.6      0.7

Blue      Green      Red

# Radiometric resolution

**8 bit Resolution**

$$2^8 = 256 \text{ levels}$$



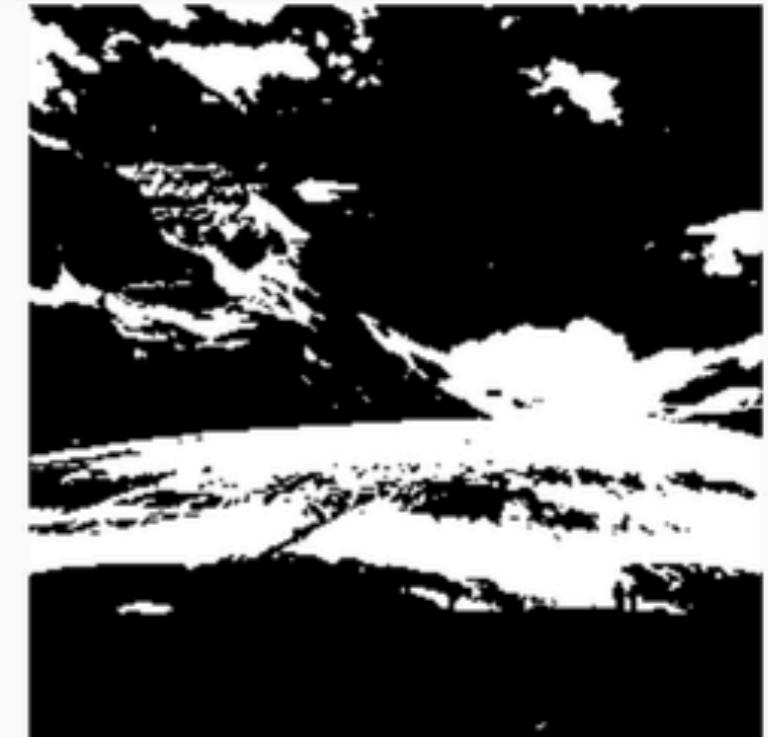
**2 bit Resolution**

$$2^2 = 4 \text{ levels}$$



**1 bit Resolution**

$$2^1 = 2 \text{ levels}$$



# Radiometric resolution

Bits	Values	Gray Values
1Bit	$2^1 = 2 \text{ (0-1)}$	0  1
4Bit	$2^4 = 16 \text{ (0-15)}$	0  15
8Bit	$2^8 = 256 \text{ (0-255)}$	0  255

# Temporal resolution

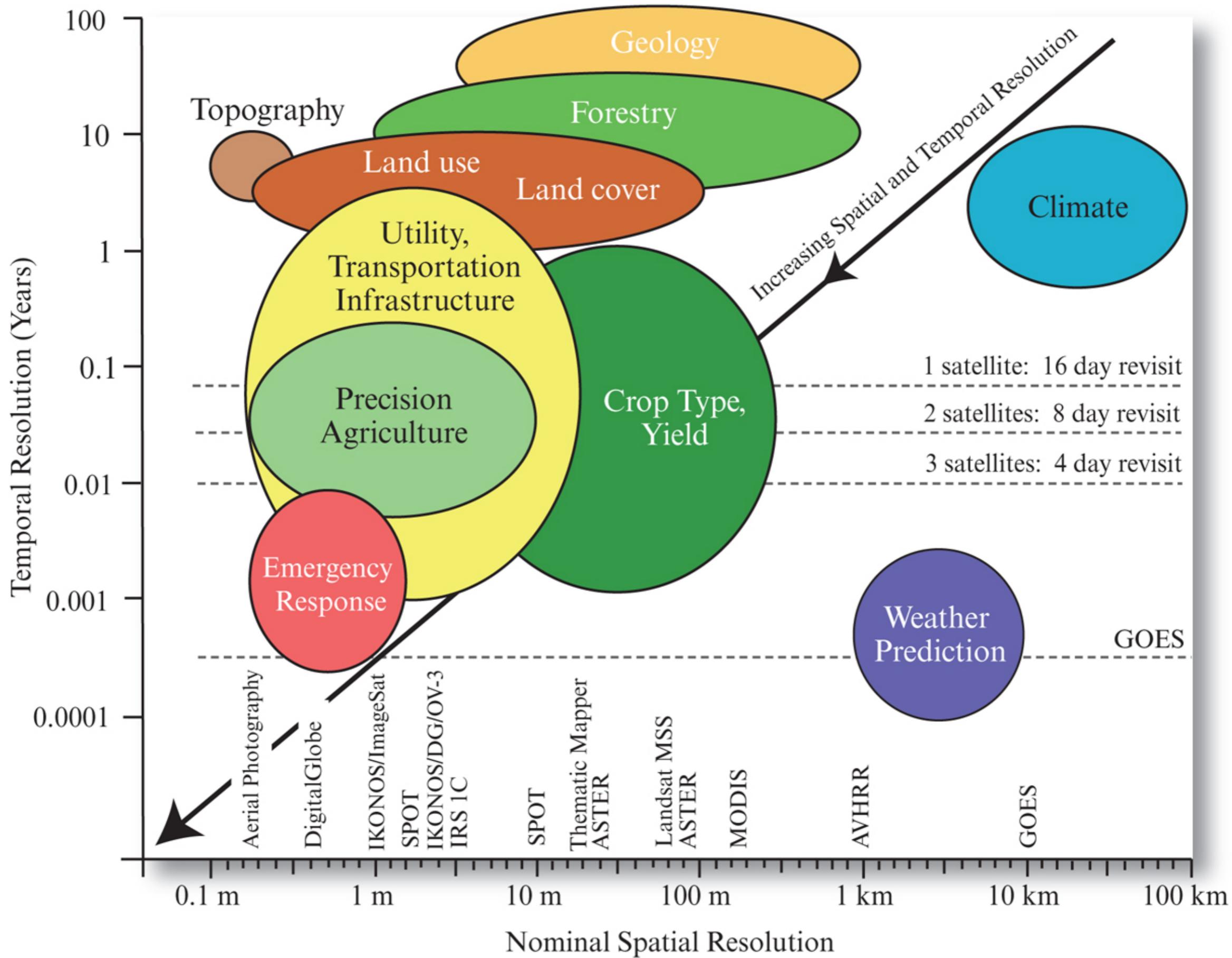
- How frequently a satellite can provide observation of the same area on the earth
  - It mostly depends on the swath width of the satellite – the larger the swath – the higher the temporal resolution



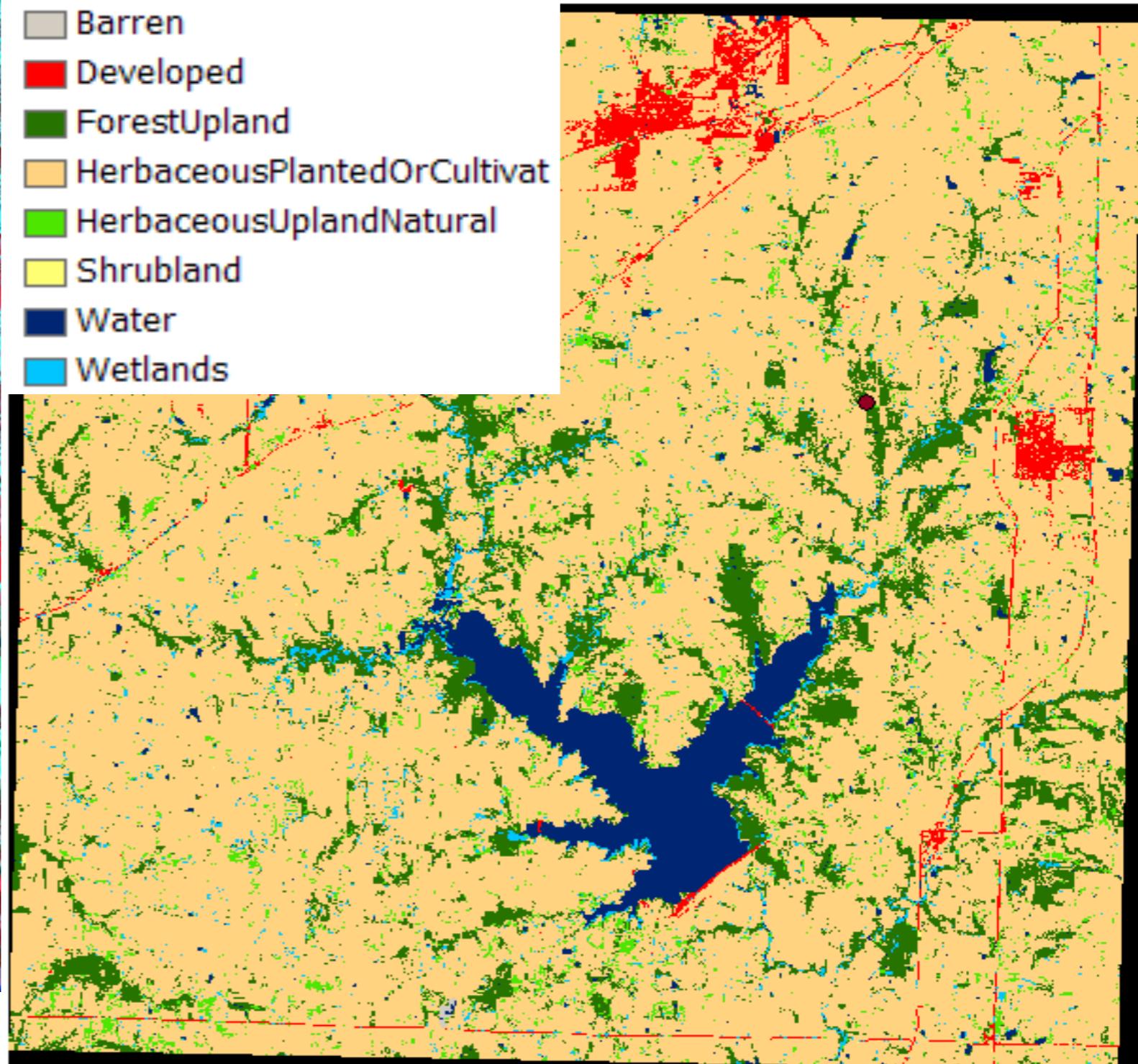
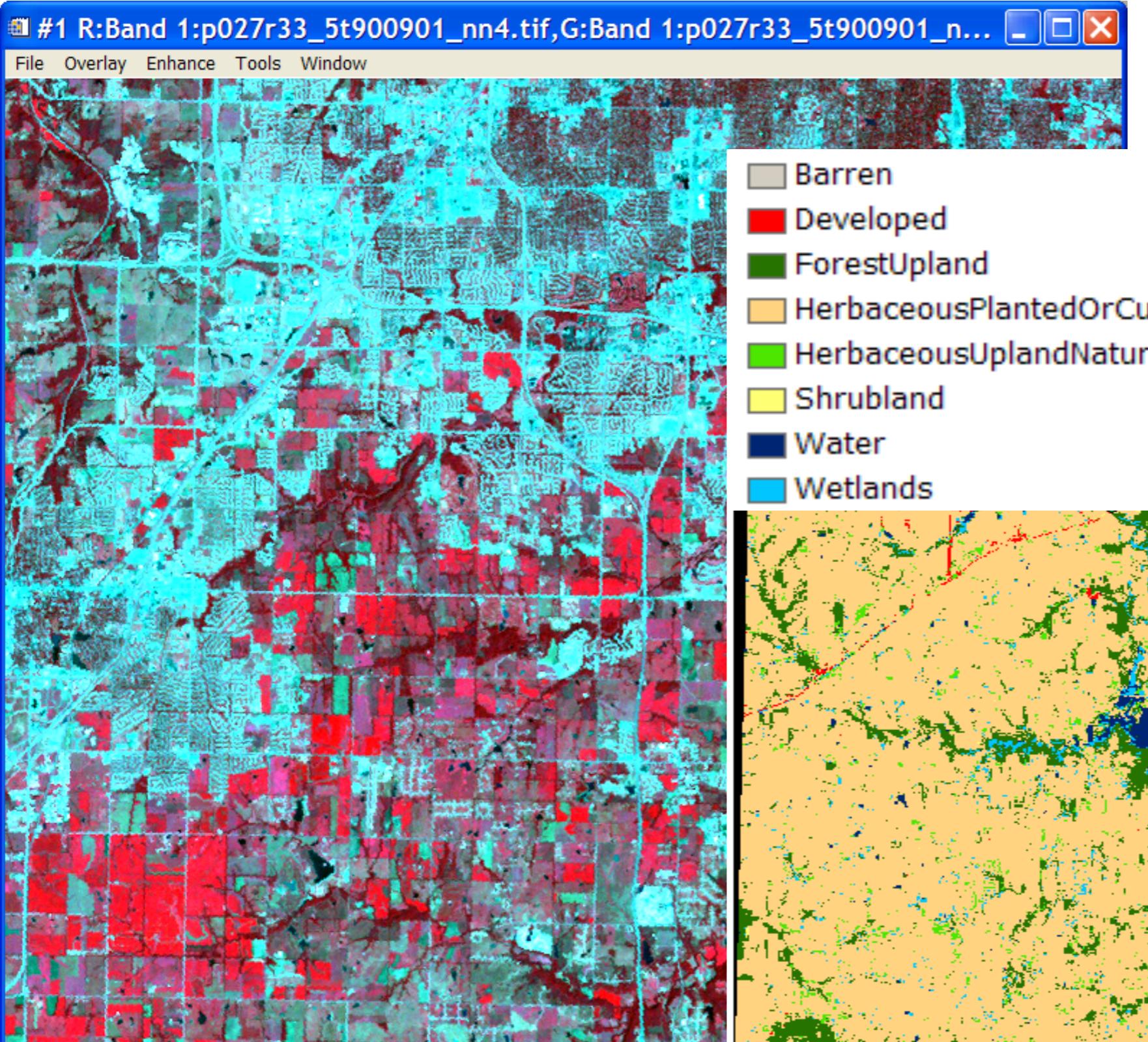
Global coverage in....

- |            |                 |
|------------|-----------------|
| • MODIS    | • VIIRS         |
| – 1-2 days | – 1 day         |
| • OMI      | • Geostationary |
| – 1 day    | – 30 sec – 1 hr |
| • MISR     |                 |
| – 6-8 days |                 |

# Spatial and Temporal Resolution for Selected Applications



# How to Make Sense of “Sensing”?



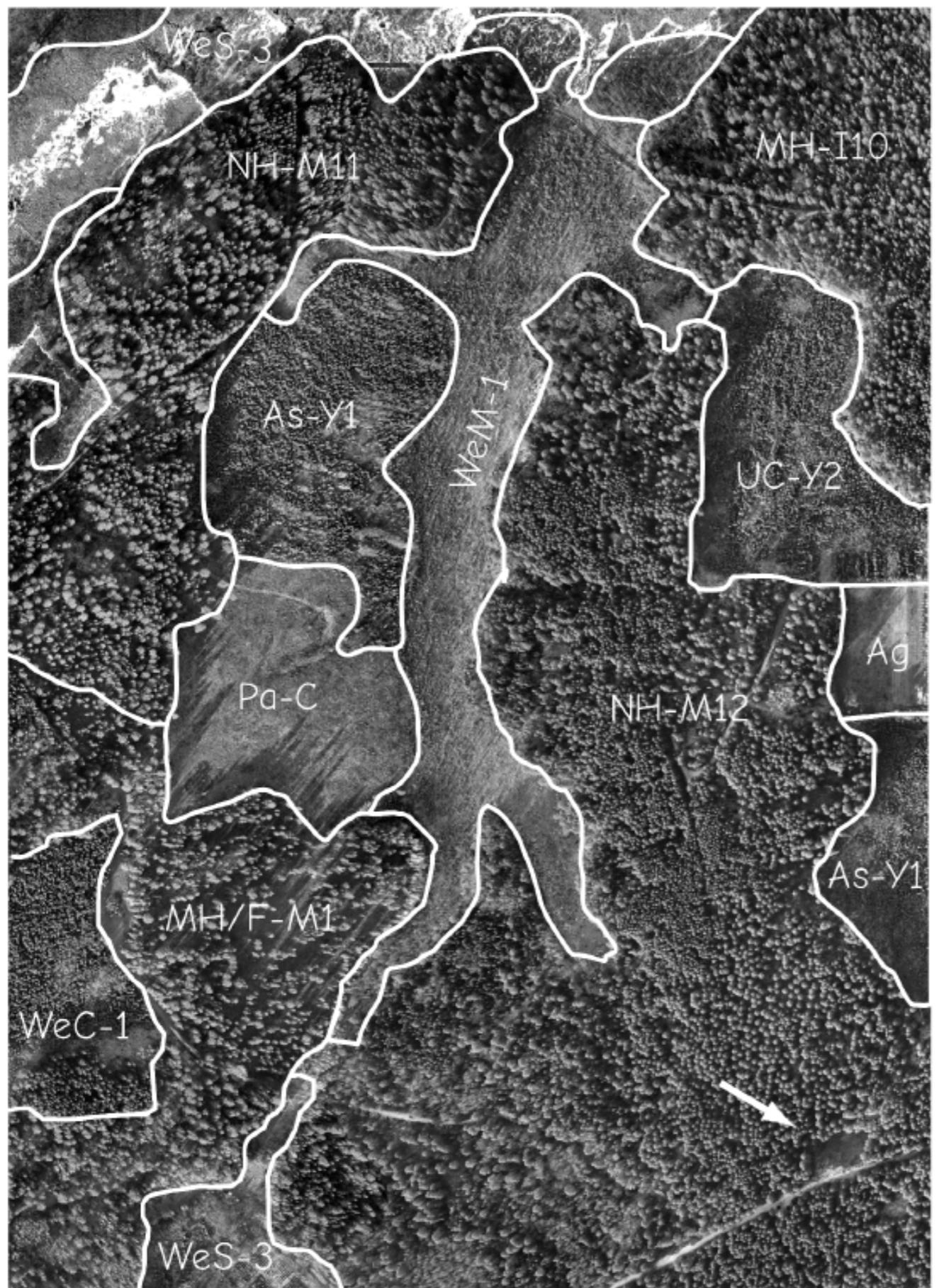
# Turn Data into Information

- Photo interpretation
  - High resolution images (aerial or satellite)
  - Too much noise to be fully automatic
  - Machine learning development (especially deep learning)
- Pixel-wise image classification
  - Mid and coarse resolution images
  - Land cover mapping

# Visual Image Interpretation

- Manually extract information from images
- Visual clues: size, shape, color, texture, location
  - View from above (not very familiar with)
  - Local knowledge
- Image enhancement may help
- Some are relatively easy (water body) and some are more challenging (crops)

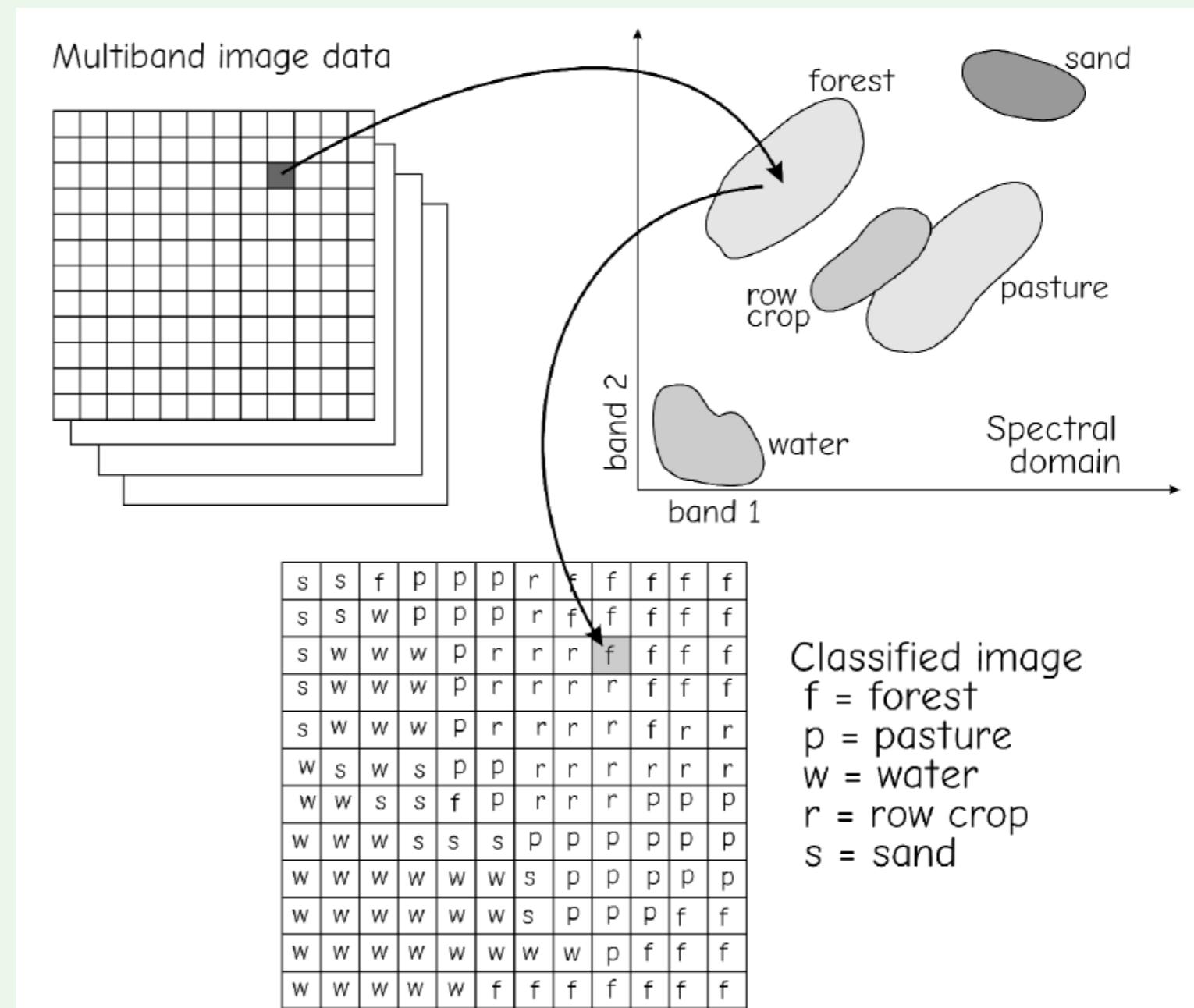
# Manual Image Interpretation



**Figure 6-29:** Photo interpretation is the process of identifying features on an image. Photo interpretation in support of GIS typically involves digitizing the points, lines, or polygons for categories of interest from a georeferenced digital or hardcopy image. In the example above, the boundaries between different vegetation types have been identified based on the tone and texture recorded in the image. The arrow at the lower right shows an “inclusion area”, not delineated because it is smaller than the minimum mapping unit.

# Automatic Image Classification

- Traditionally pixel-wise classification
- Use other clues
  - Texture, ...
- Object-oriented classification
- Machine learning methods

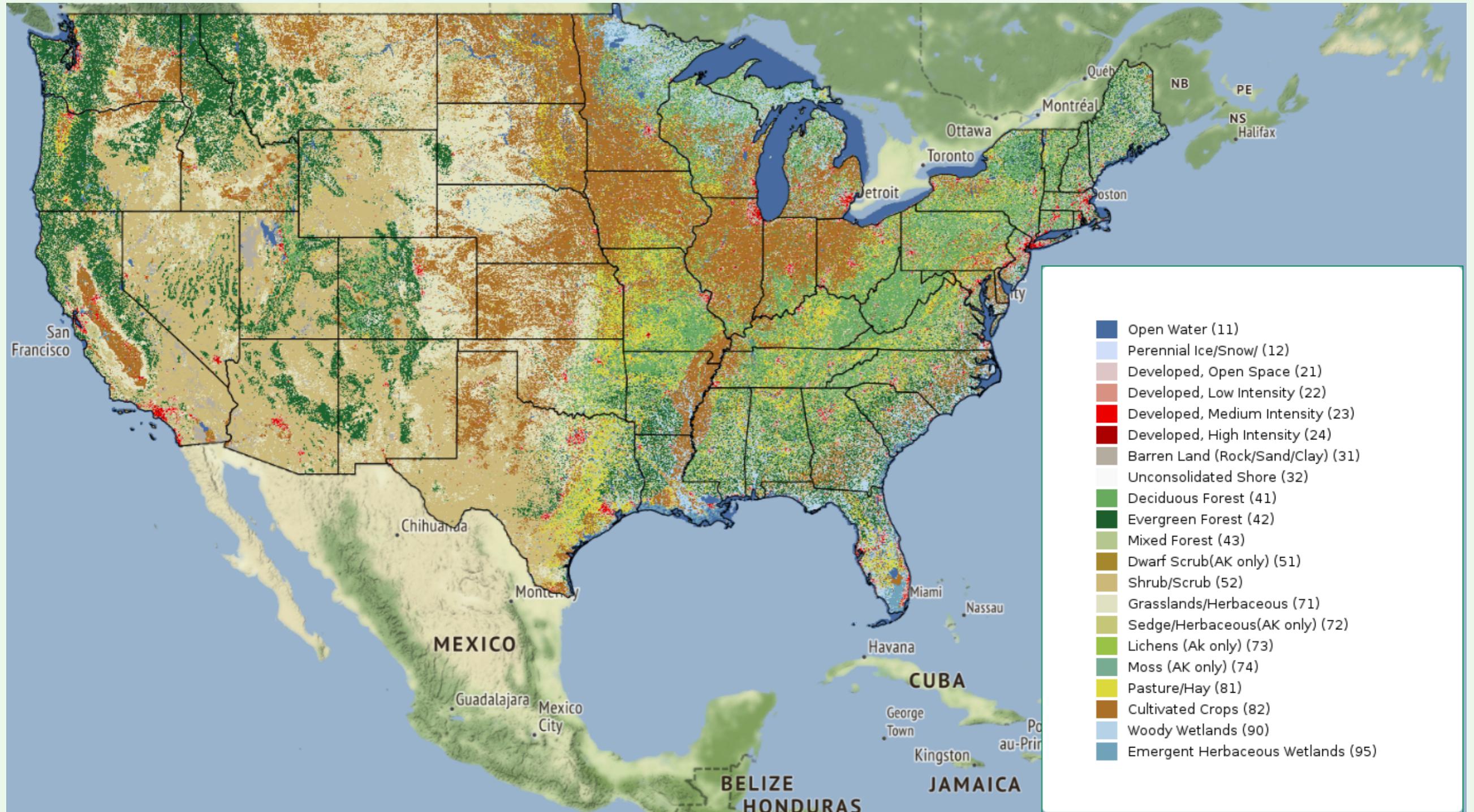


**Figure 6-42:** Landcover and land use classification is a common application of satellite images. The spectral reflectance patterns of each cover type are used to assign a unique landcover class to each cell. These data may then be imported into a GIS as a raster data layer.

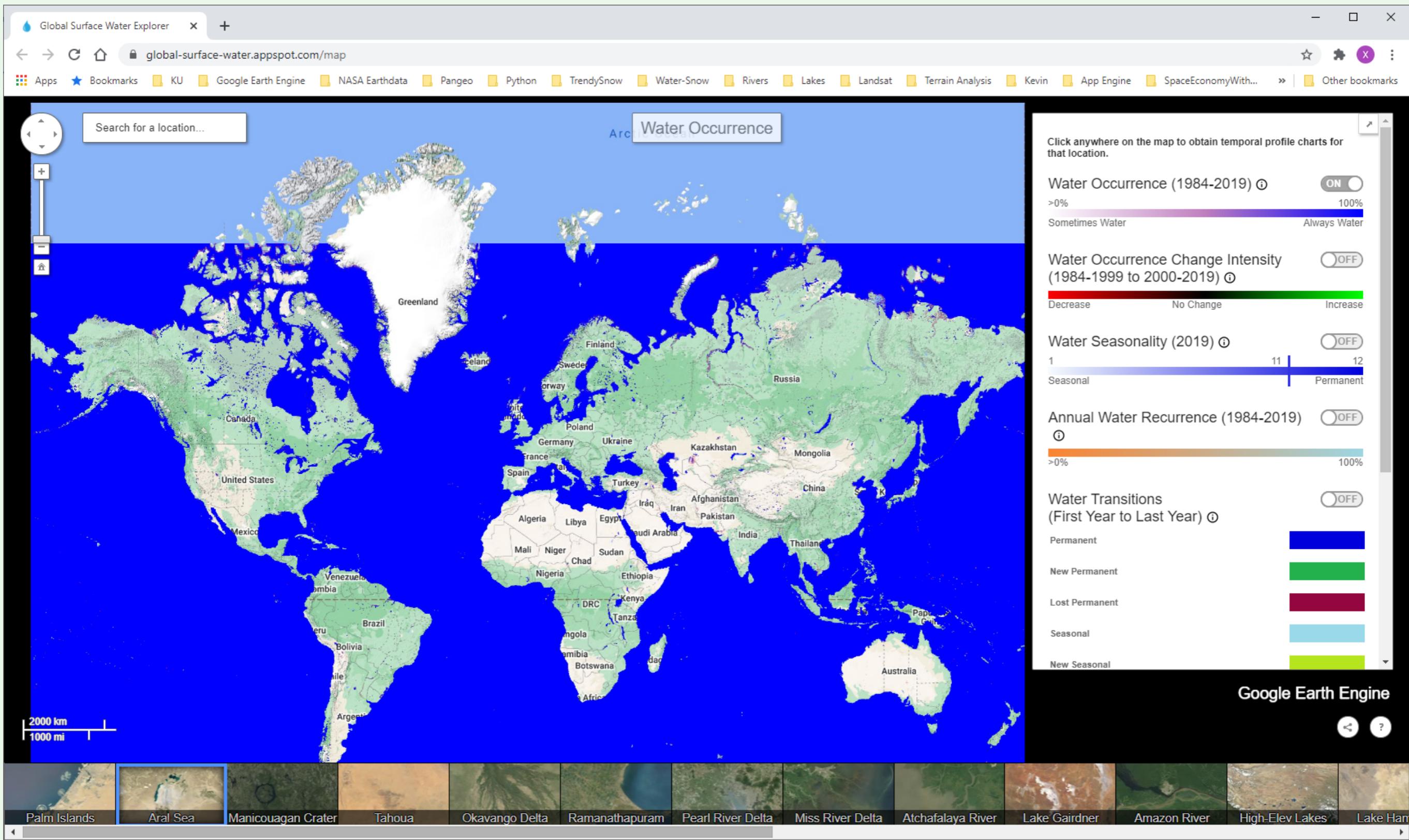
# NLCD—National Land Cover Dataset

- The Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics (MRLC) consortium is a group of federal agencies who coordinate and generate consistent and relevant land cover information at the national scale
- Based on Landsat imagery (30-m resolution)
- 1992, 2001, 2006, 2011, 2016

# NLCD—National Land Cover Dataset



# JRC Global Surface Water



**LEGEND** ANALYSIS

Tree cover gain - 2001-2012

Tree cover gain



X

Tree cover loss - 2001-2020

Tree cover loss



X

Displaying Tree cover loss with &gt; 30% canopy density

2001 2004 2007 2011 2014 2017 2020

Tree cover loss is not always deforestation.

Tree cover - 2010

Tree cover



X

Displaying Tree cover with &gt; 30% canopy density

Displaying Tree cover for 2010

PLANET SATELLITE IMAGERY (TROPICS)



X

Greenland

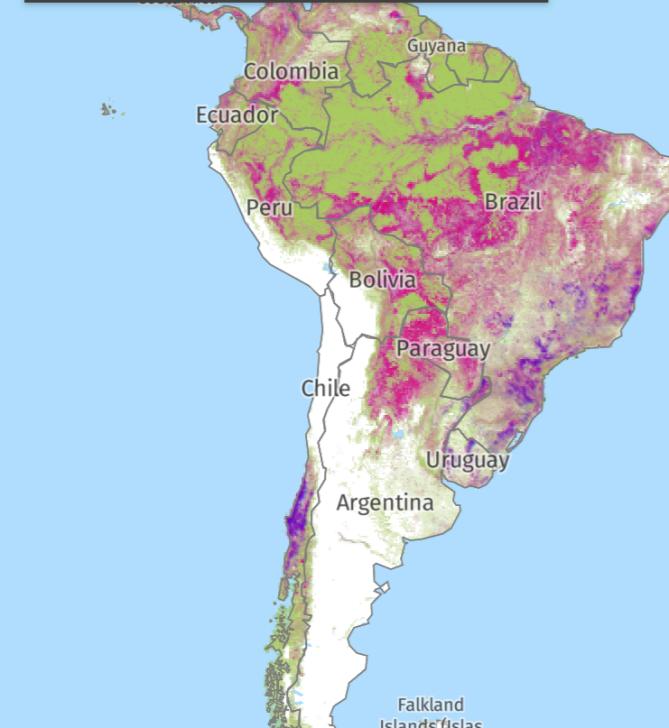
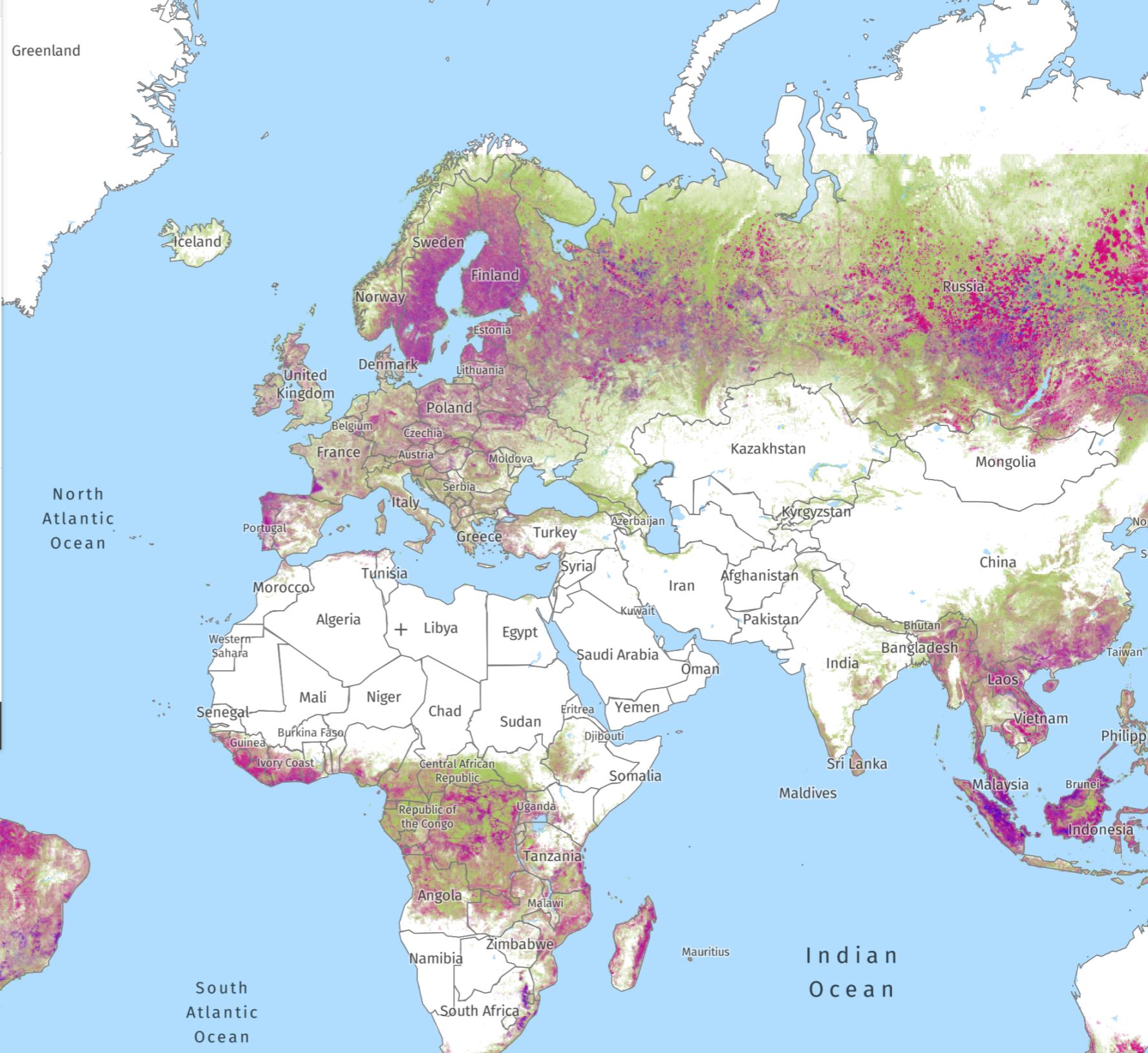
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North Atlantic Ocean

South Atlantic Ocean

Mauritius

Indian Ocean

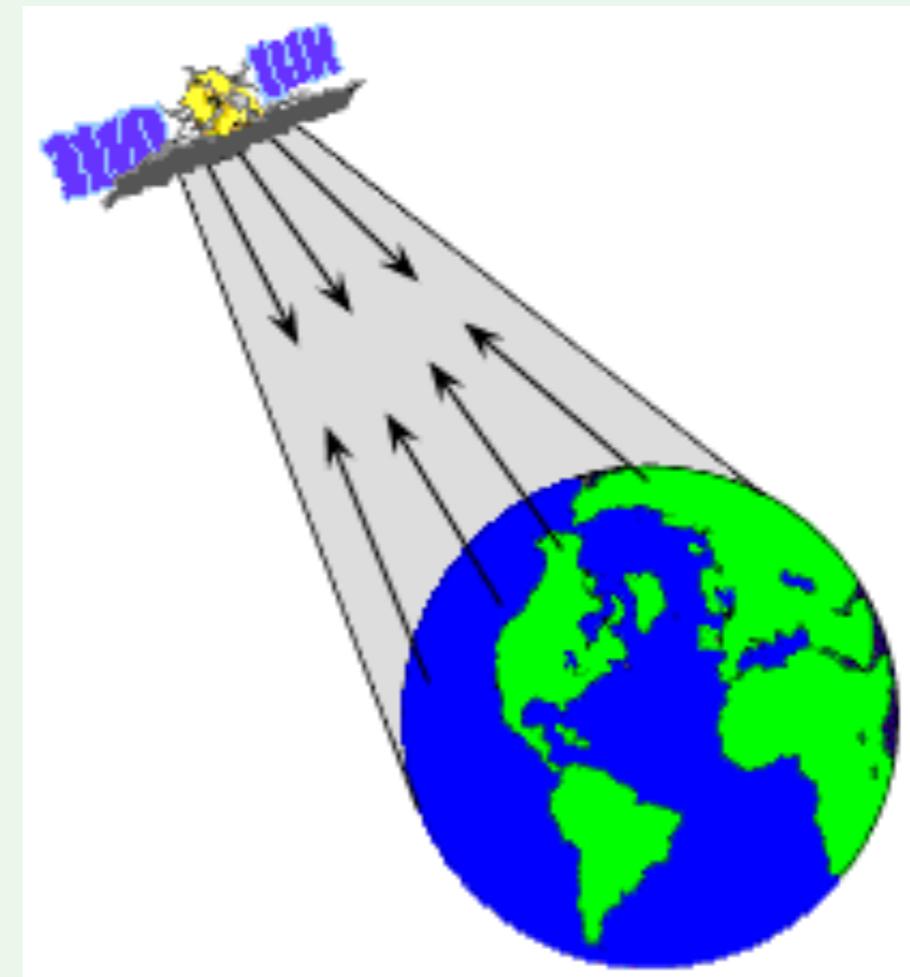
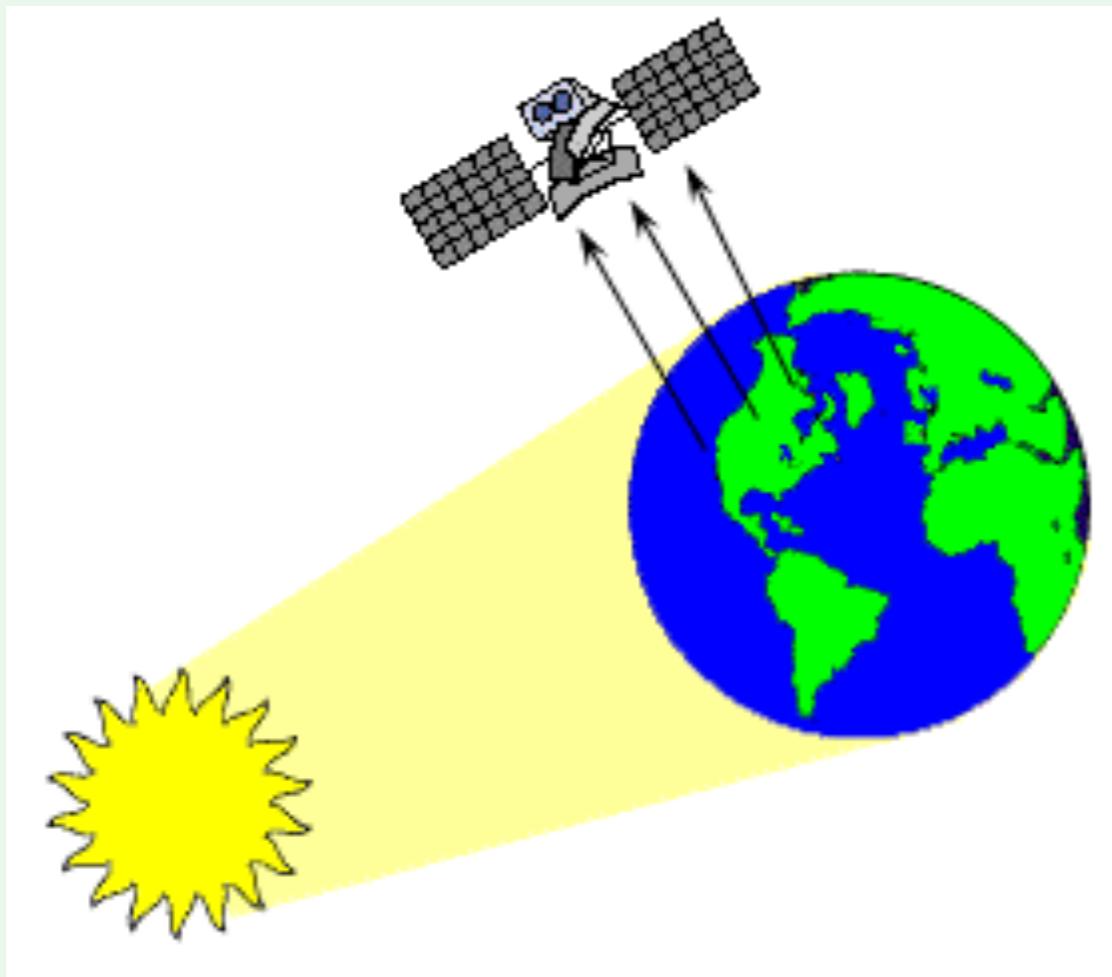


# Remote sensing & national datasets

- USGS National Land Cover Datasets (NLCD)
- USGS topographic maps
  - USGS Digital Raster Graphics (DRG)
  - USGS Digital Line Graphs (DLG)
- USGS Digital Orthophoto Quadrangles (DOQ)
- USGS Digital Elevation Models (DEMs)
- USFWS National Wetlands Inventory (NWI)

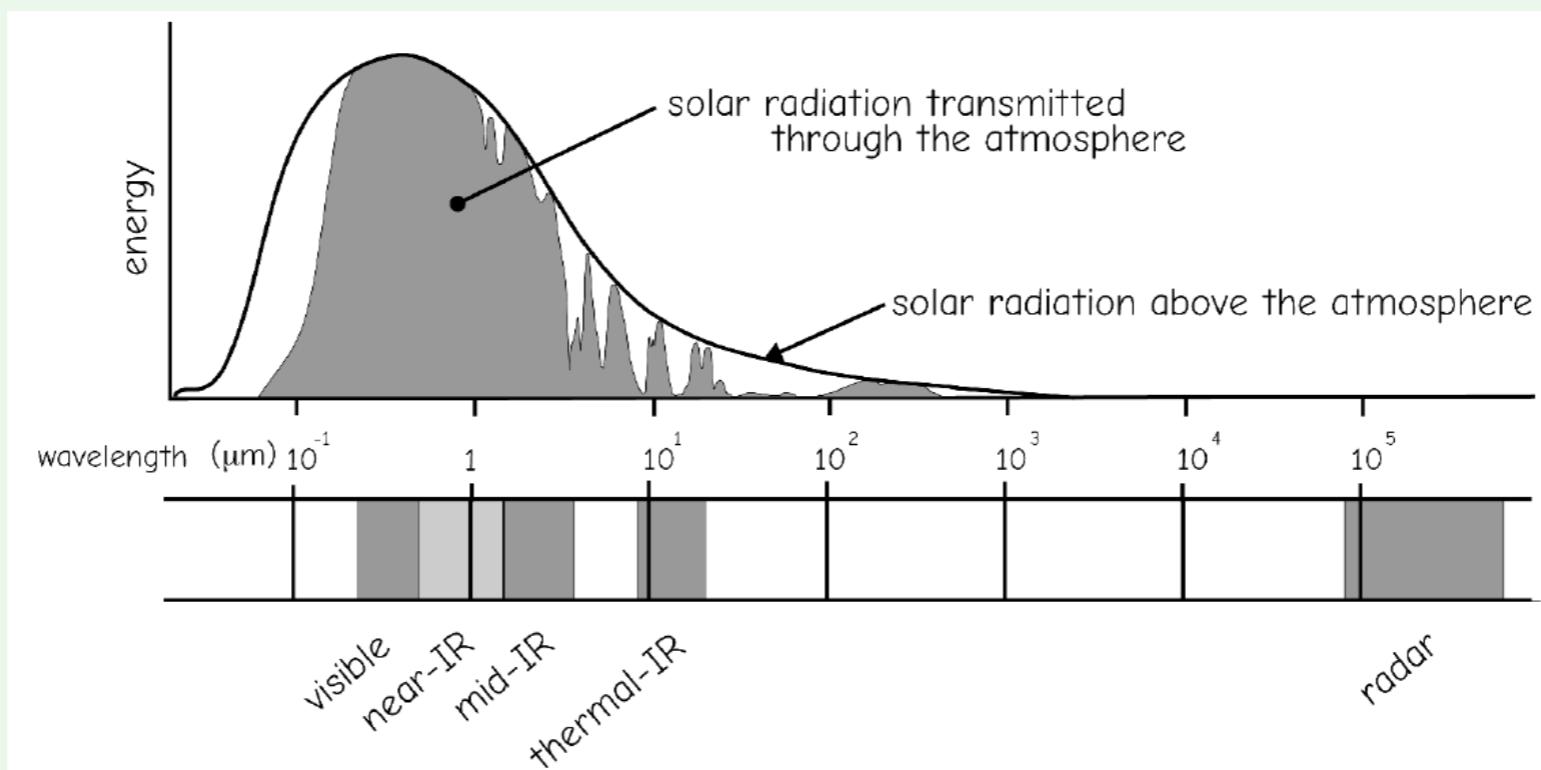
# Passive and Active Remote Sensing Systems

- Passive sensor
- Active sensor



# Radar and LiDAR

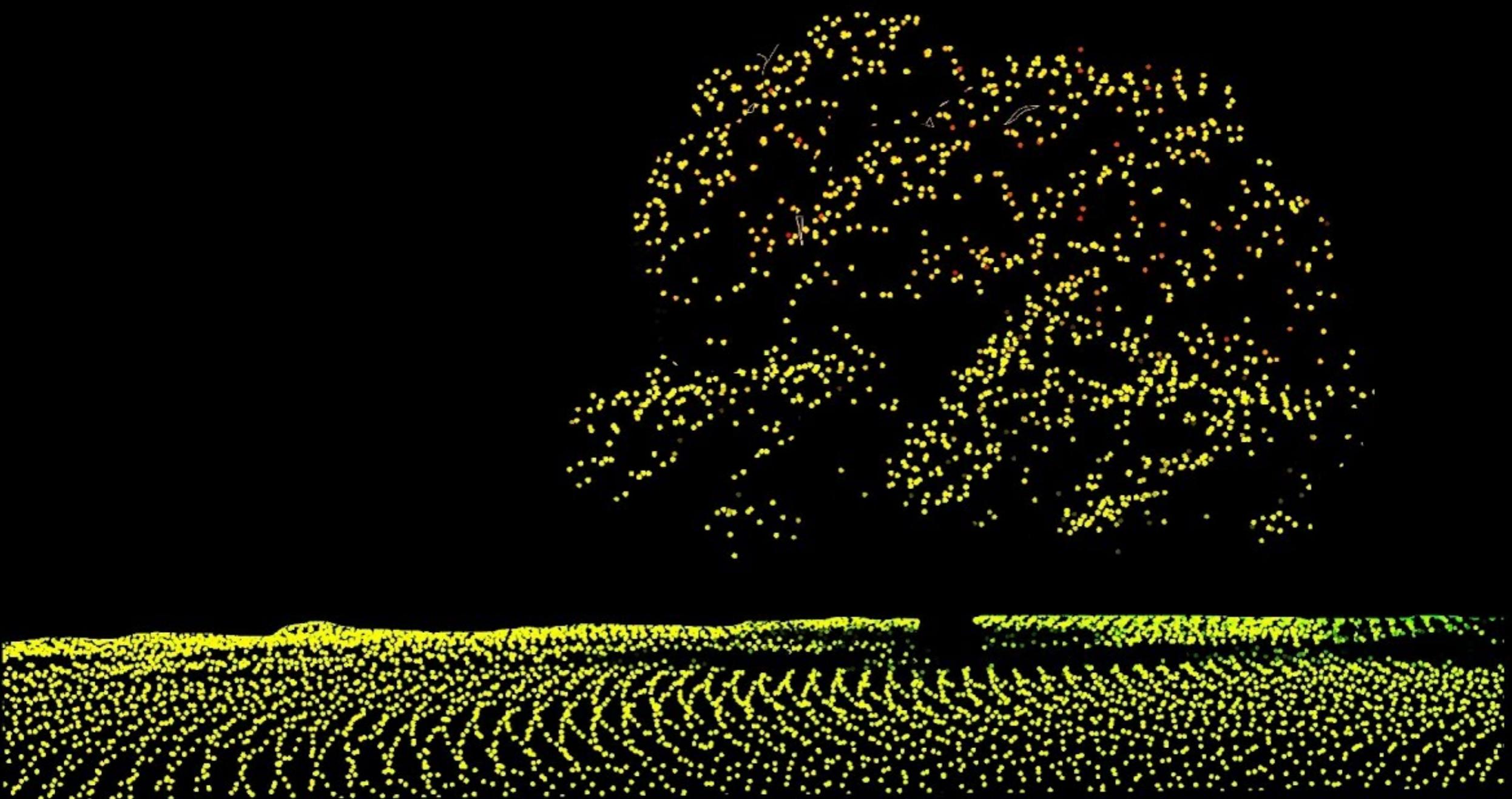
- Active remote sensing system
- Radar (radio detection and ranging)
- LiDAR (light detection and ranging)
- Different wavelength
  - Lidar: 0.9 and 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$  (eye-safe)
  - Radar:  $10^{5\text{--}6} \mu\text{m}$
  - Lidar has limited ability to penetrate clouds, smoke and haze



# Radar

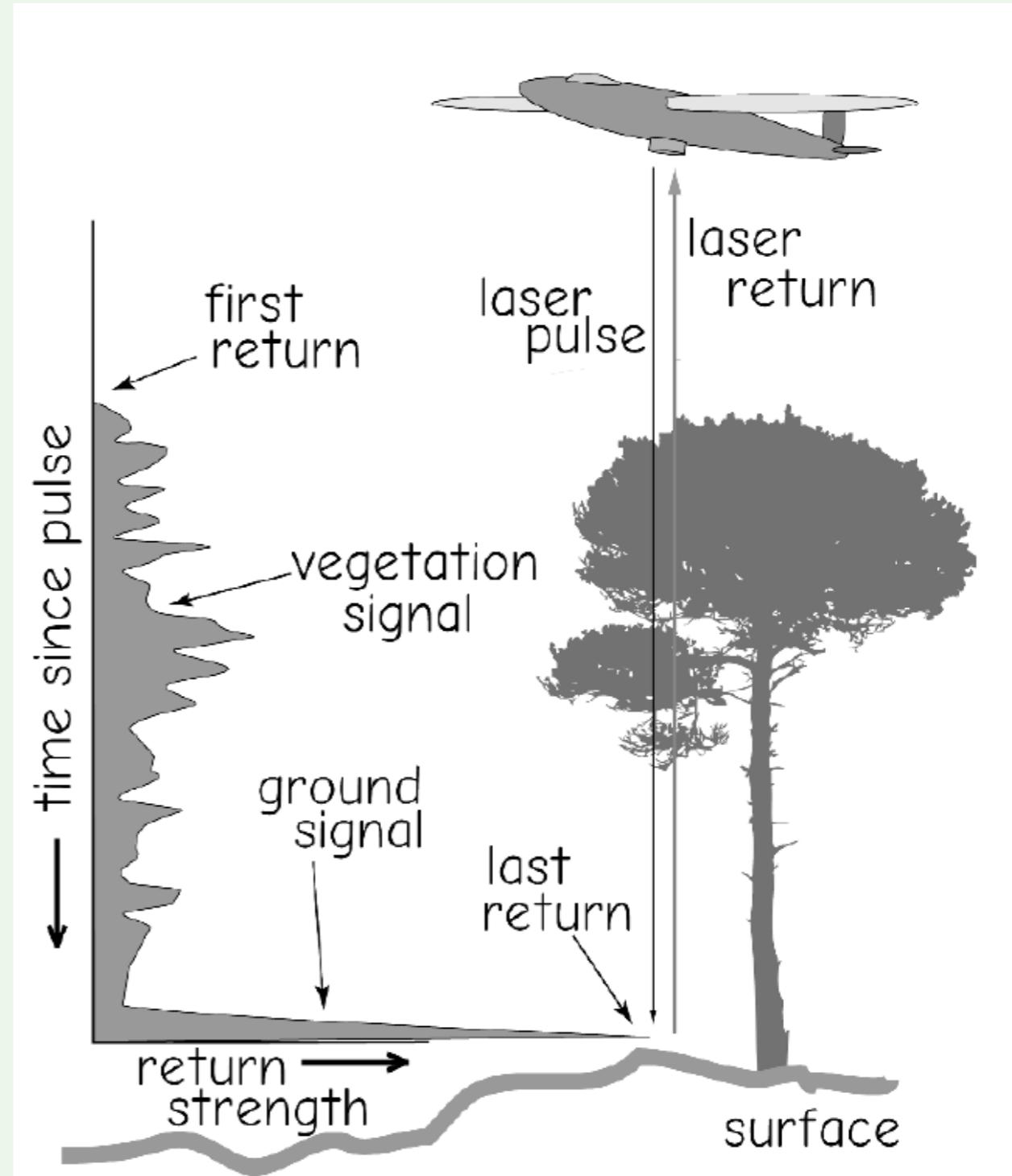
- Weather and daylight independent
- Can be ground penetrating



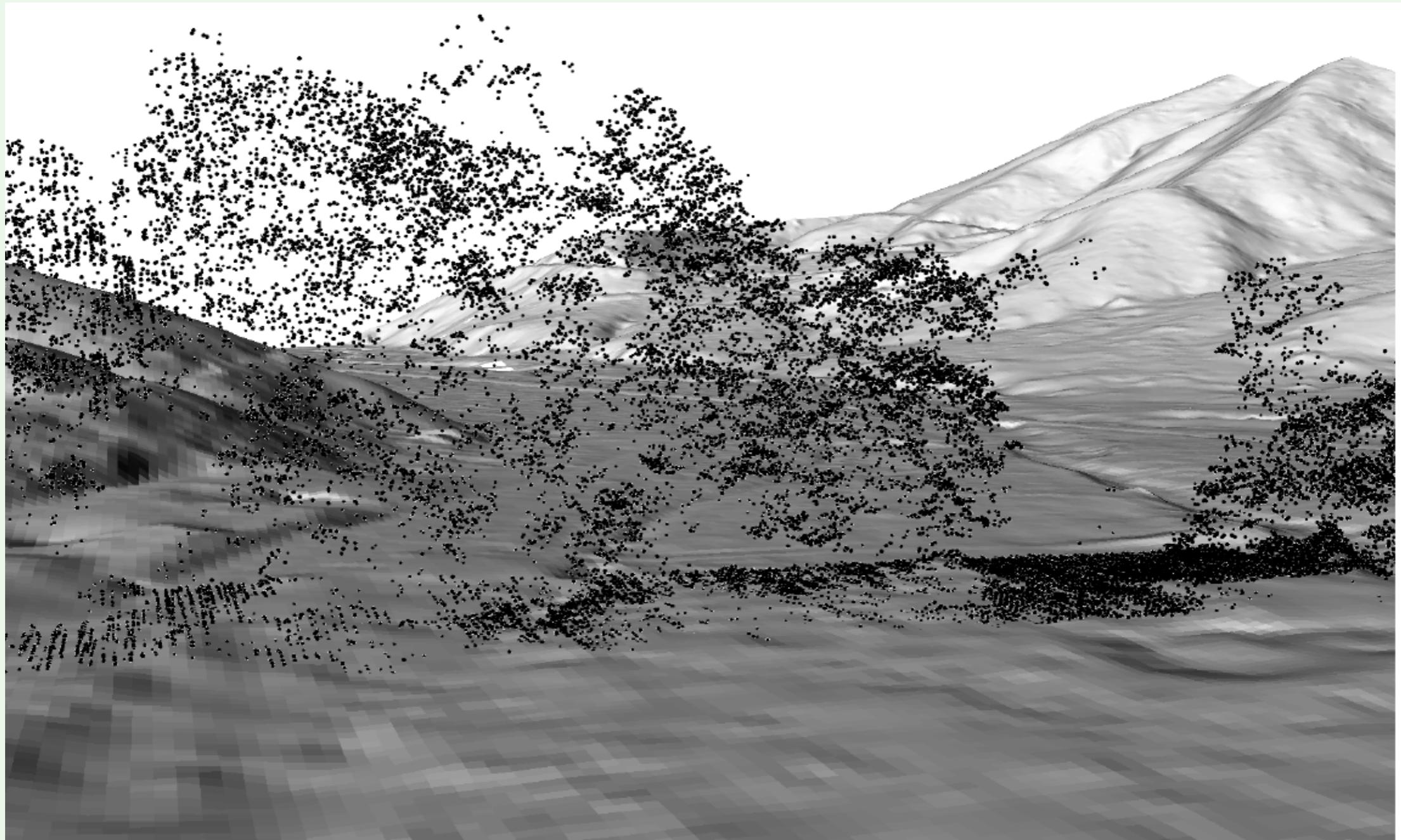


# Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR)

- Primary for mapping elevation
  - 10 to 50 cm accuracy
- Operating altitude: 400 - 2,000 meters.
- Swath width: up to 1,500 meters at 2,000 meter altitude.
- Several returns can be used to detect land covers at different heights

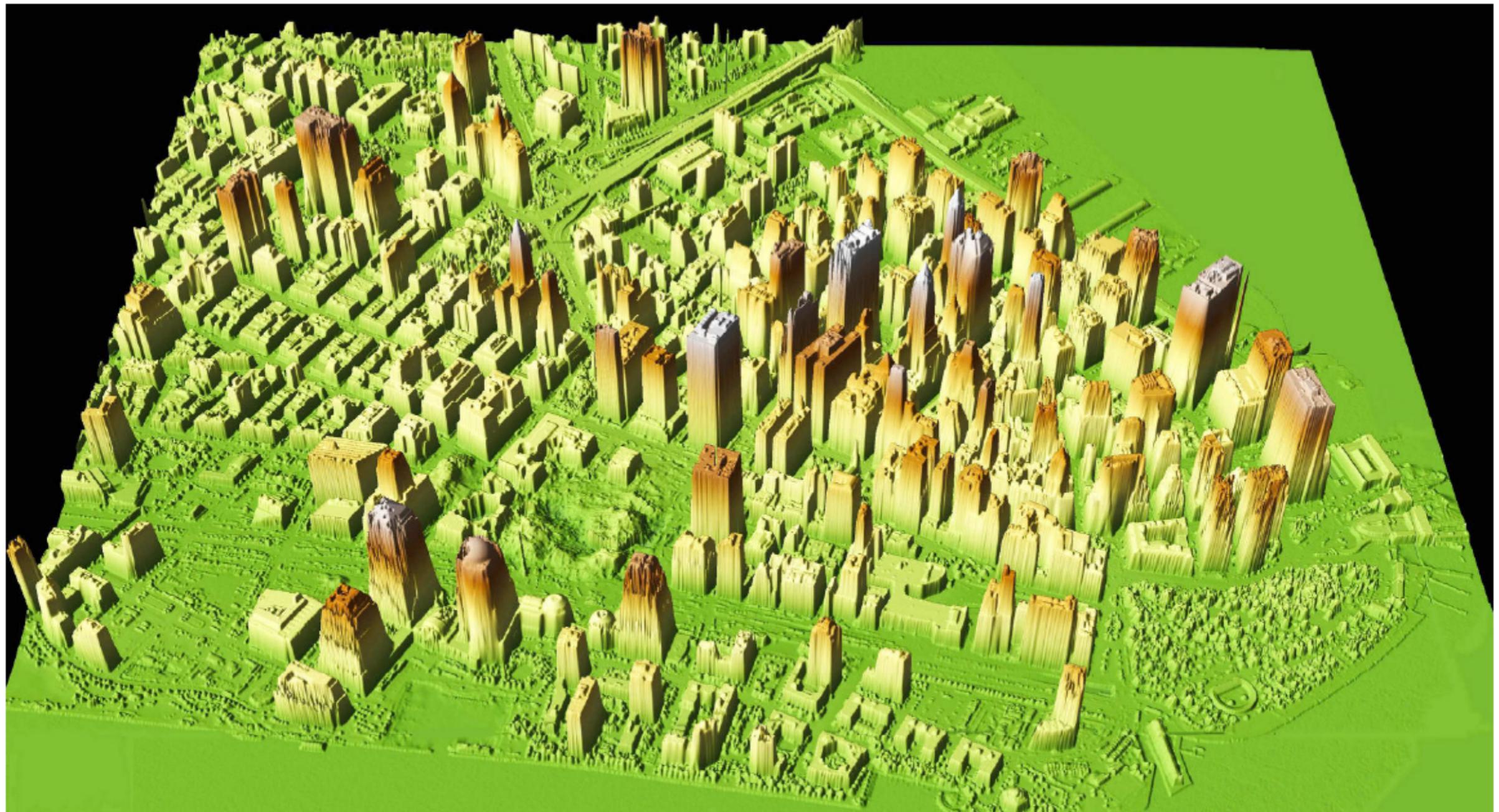


# LIDAR Data (Point Clouds)

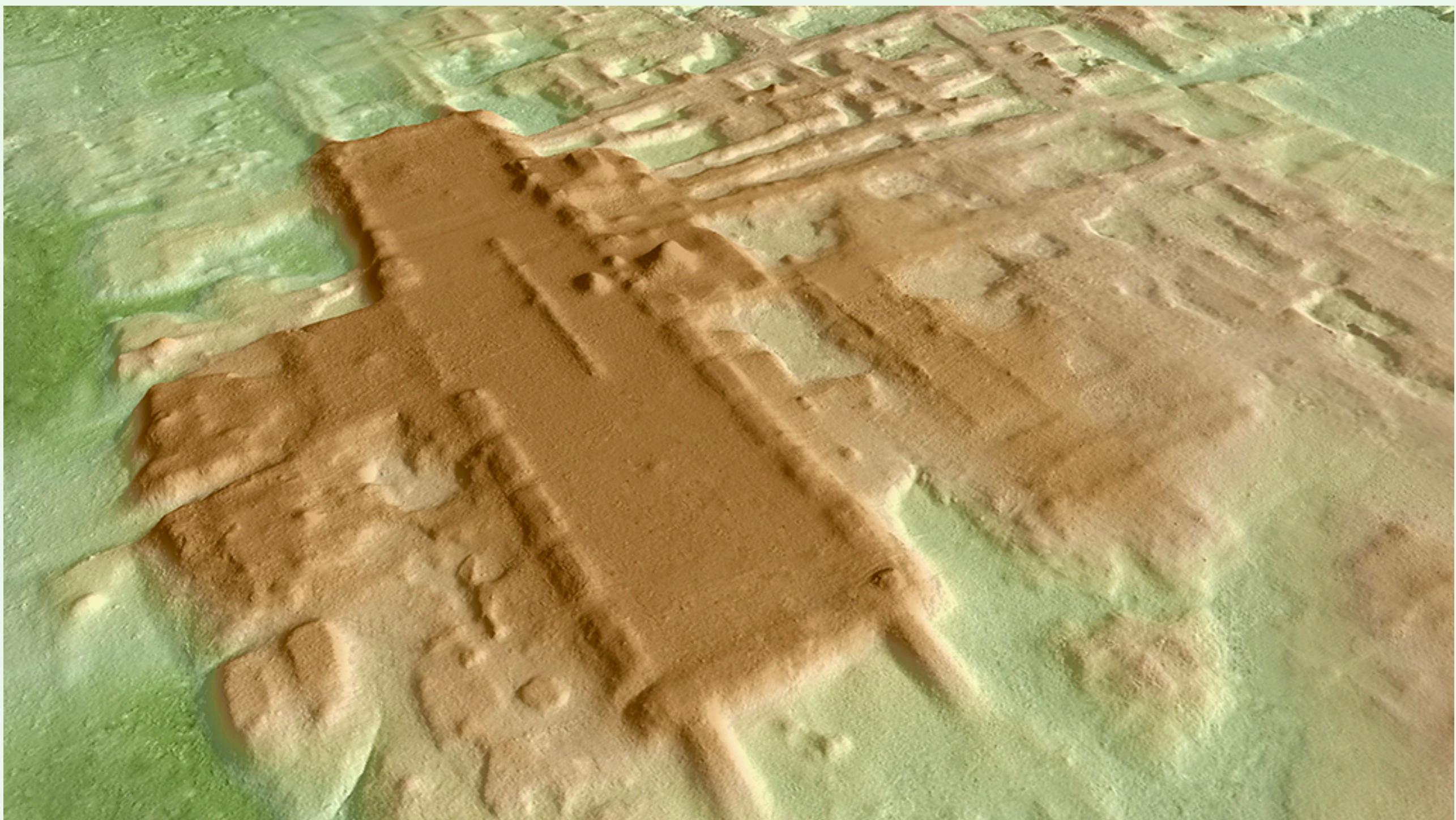


**Figure 6-45:** An example of a LiDAR point cloud, here a swath through a forested area, displayed over a terrain model. Each point represents a LiDAR return, showing returns from the canopy and taller trees, sub-canopy branches and shrubs, and dense ground returns in canopy gaps.

# LIDAR Data



**Figure 6-47:** An example of LiDAR data and depiction of building heights. This image shows lower Manhattan, New York in late 2001. Tallest buildings are shown in white, and the land and water surfaces in green (courtesy NASA).



# Surface Water and Ocean Topography

- Cm accuracy launch planned for 2022
- 2 height observations per 21 days for inland water bodies



# Data

# Local vs Web Data

- Local data has full control and analysis possibility
- Web data
  - Especially useful for reference and background
  - Save local storage
  - Some only viewable (cannot perform analysis)
  - Need internet connection
- Web services
  - Standard way of serving geospatial data over the Internet
  - Open Geospatial Consortium
  - Web Mapping Service (display)
  - Web Feature Service (display and analysis for vector data)
  - Web Coverage Service (display and analysis for raster data)

# Big Geospatial Data and Cloud-Based Systems

- Increasing capability of collecting data at finer spatial and temporal resolutions
- Expanding spatial coverage and temporal archives
- Data size and processing time become a barrier for conventional desktop GIS and data analysis software
- Cloud computing (or CyberGIS) makes geospatial data storage and analysis possible

# Google Earth Engine (GEE)

- Google Earth Engine is a massive data warehouse (2+ petabytes) of remote sensing imagery including Landsat and MODIS data
- Provides data analysis functions through Python and JavaScript APIs

# A planetary-scale platform for Earth science data & analysis

Powered by Google's cloud infrastructure

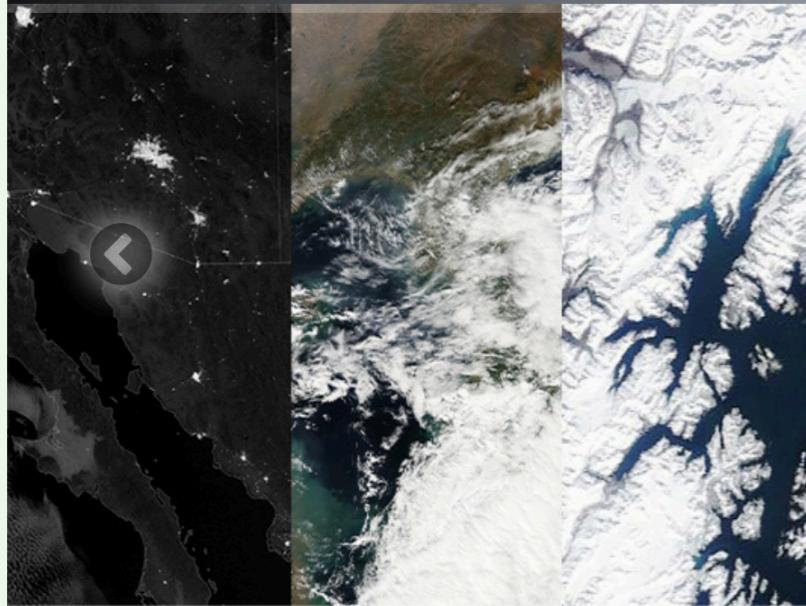
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**Application Developer/Programmer, Kansas Geological Survey/DASC**

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