



- Regridding / Projection

- Compositing

for Sentinel-2 & Landsat 8 merged products

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Regridding/Projection/Compositing

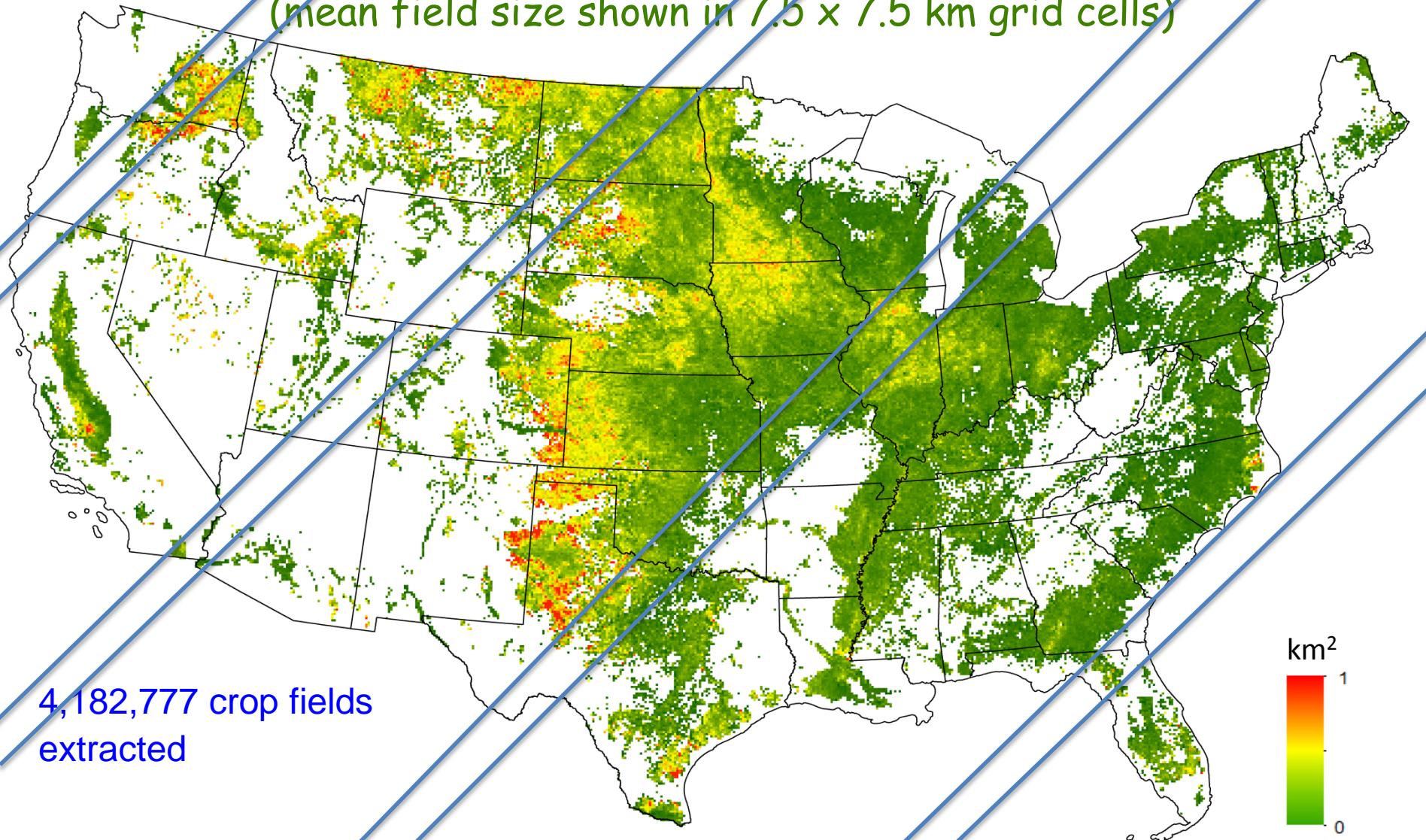
Sentinel-2 & Landsat 8

Prerequisite for

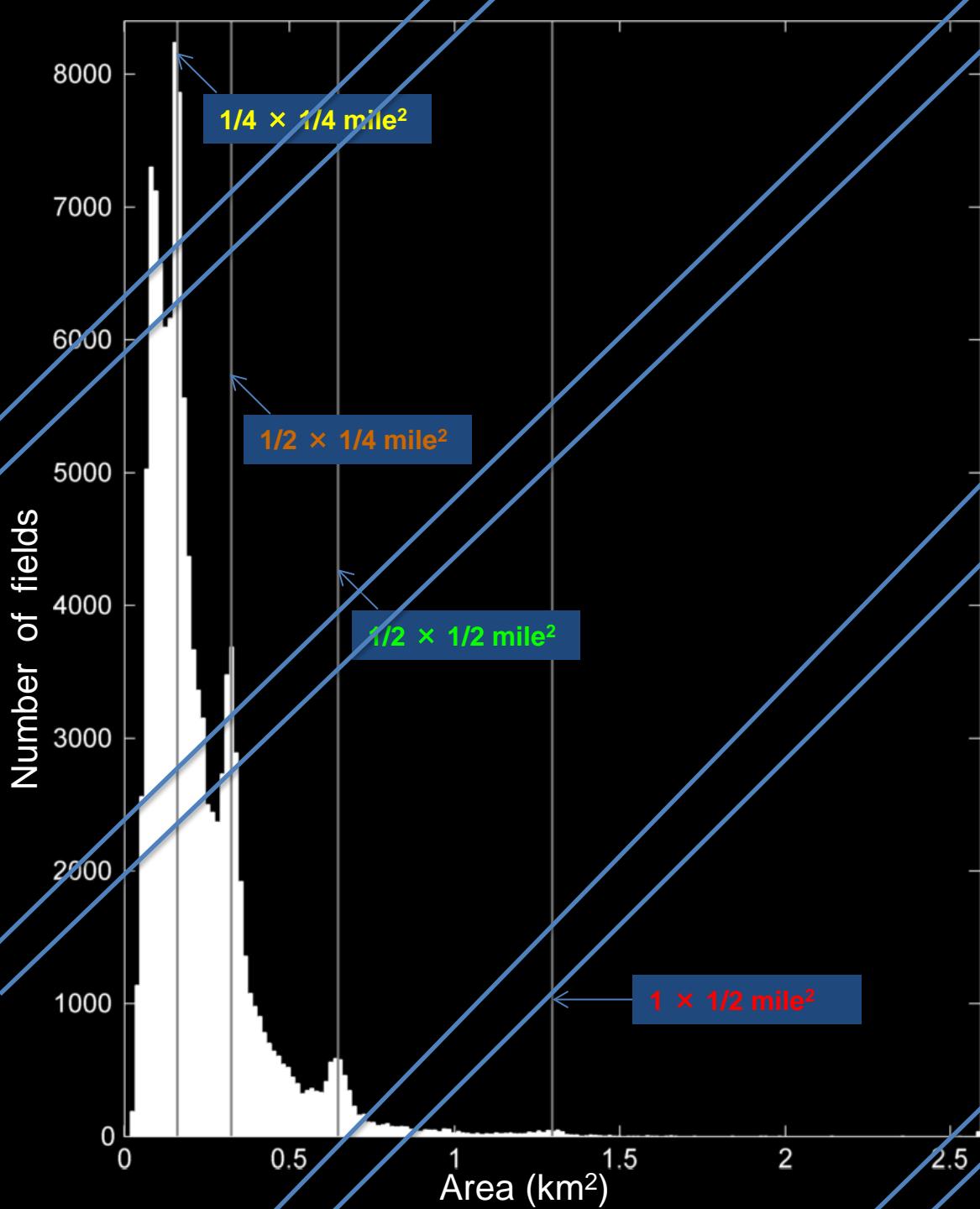
- combined use of different sensor data
- developing algorithms
- prototyping products
- to advance the virtual constellation paradigm for mid-resolution land imaging

2010 CONUS crop field size map

(mean field size shown in 7.5×7.5 km grid cells)

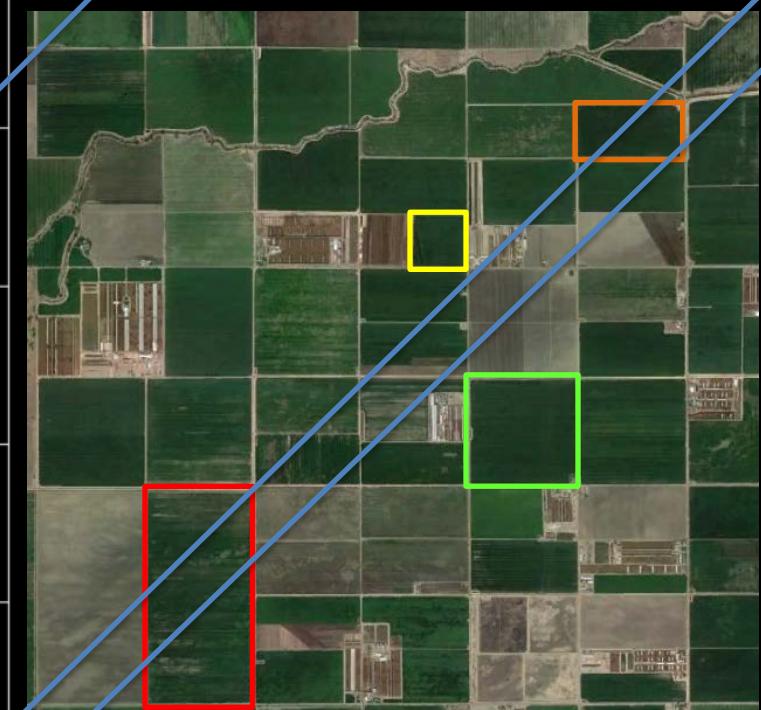


derived from all 13,666 WELD processed Landsat 5 and 7 scenes
available in the U.S. Landsat archive for 12 months

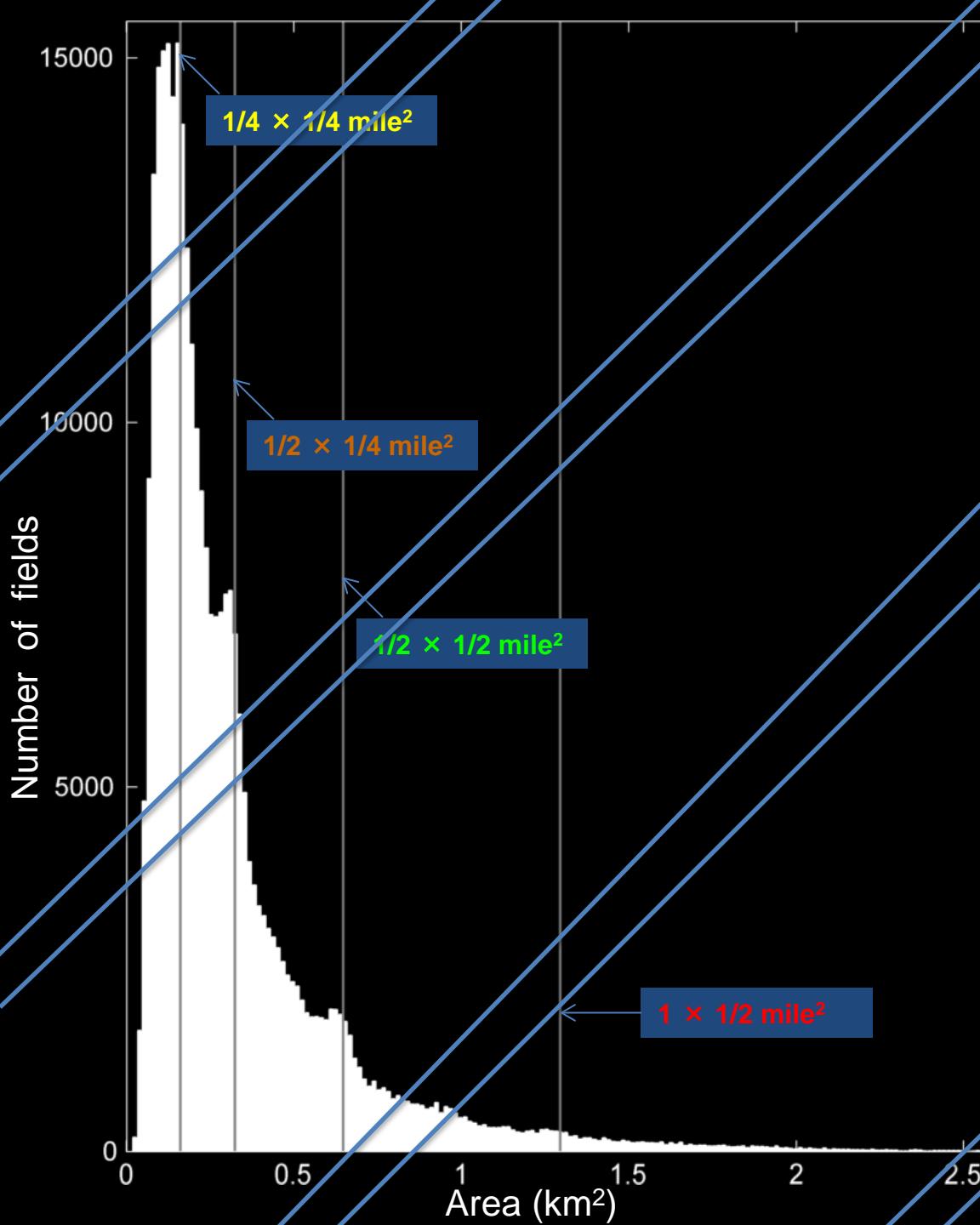


California 2010
WELD derived
crop field size histogram

116,888 fields extracted

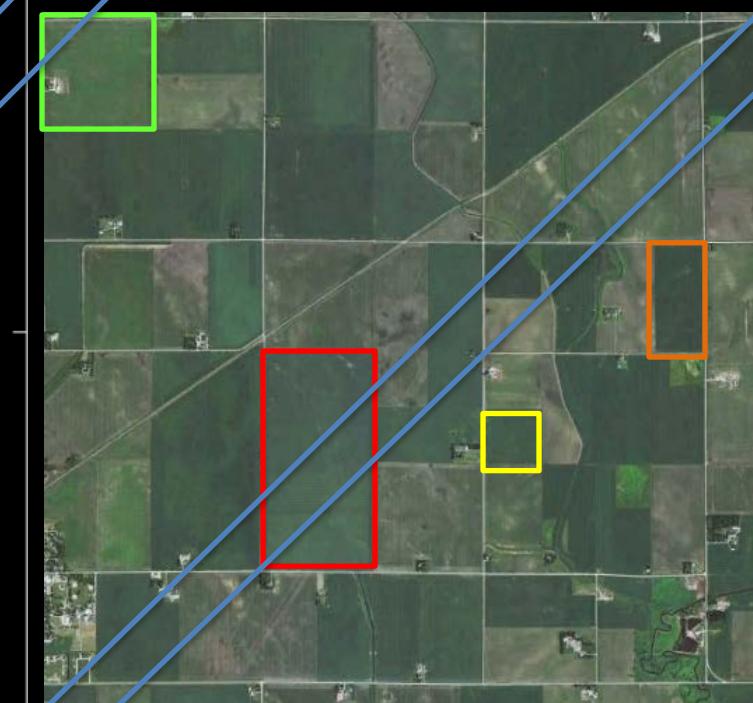


Google-Earth image. ~5.5 x 5 km
subset in California near Corcoran.

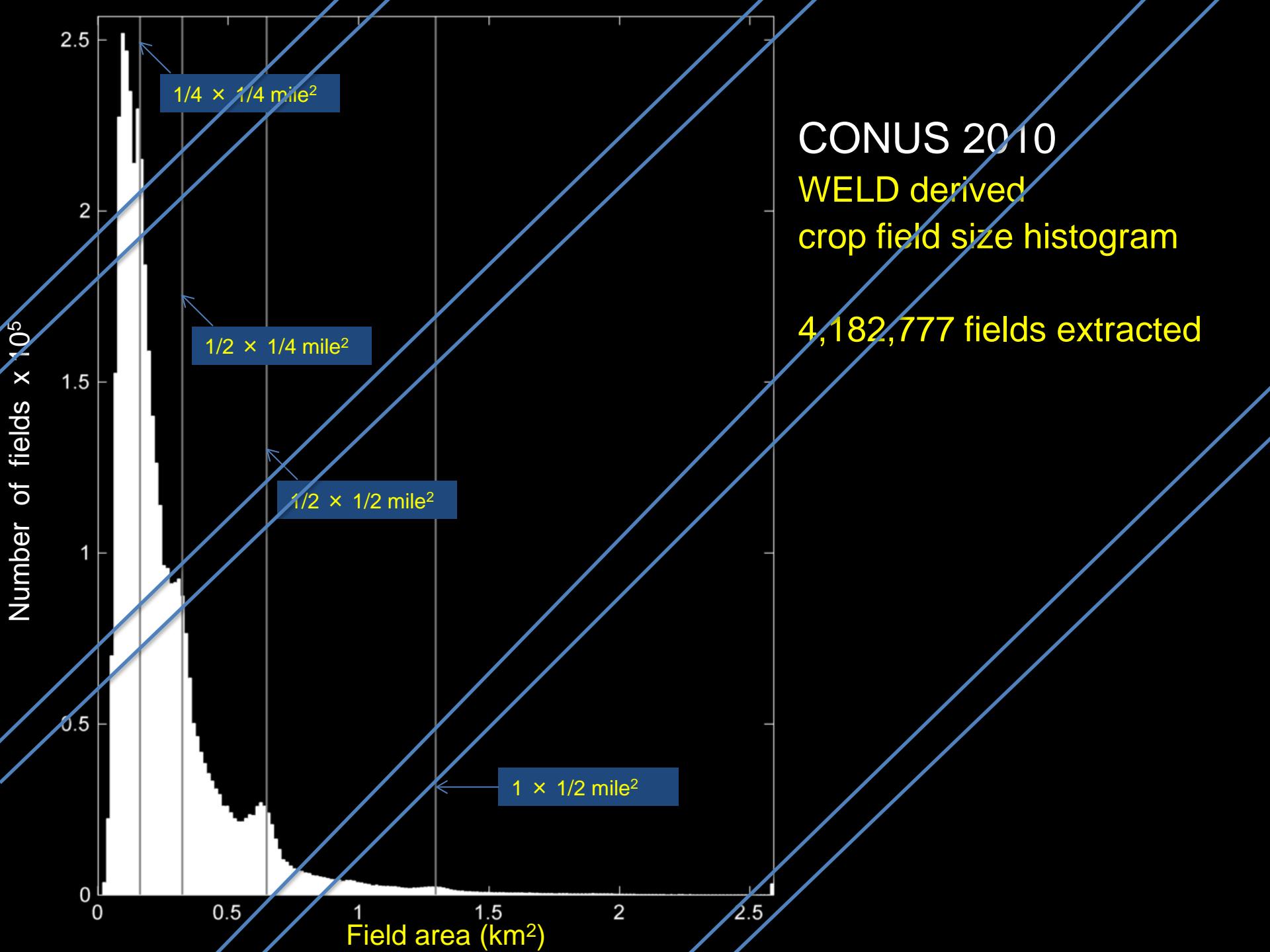


Iowa 2010
WELD derived
crop field size histogram

308,917 fields extracted

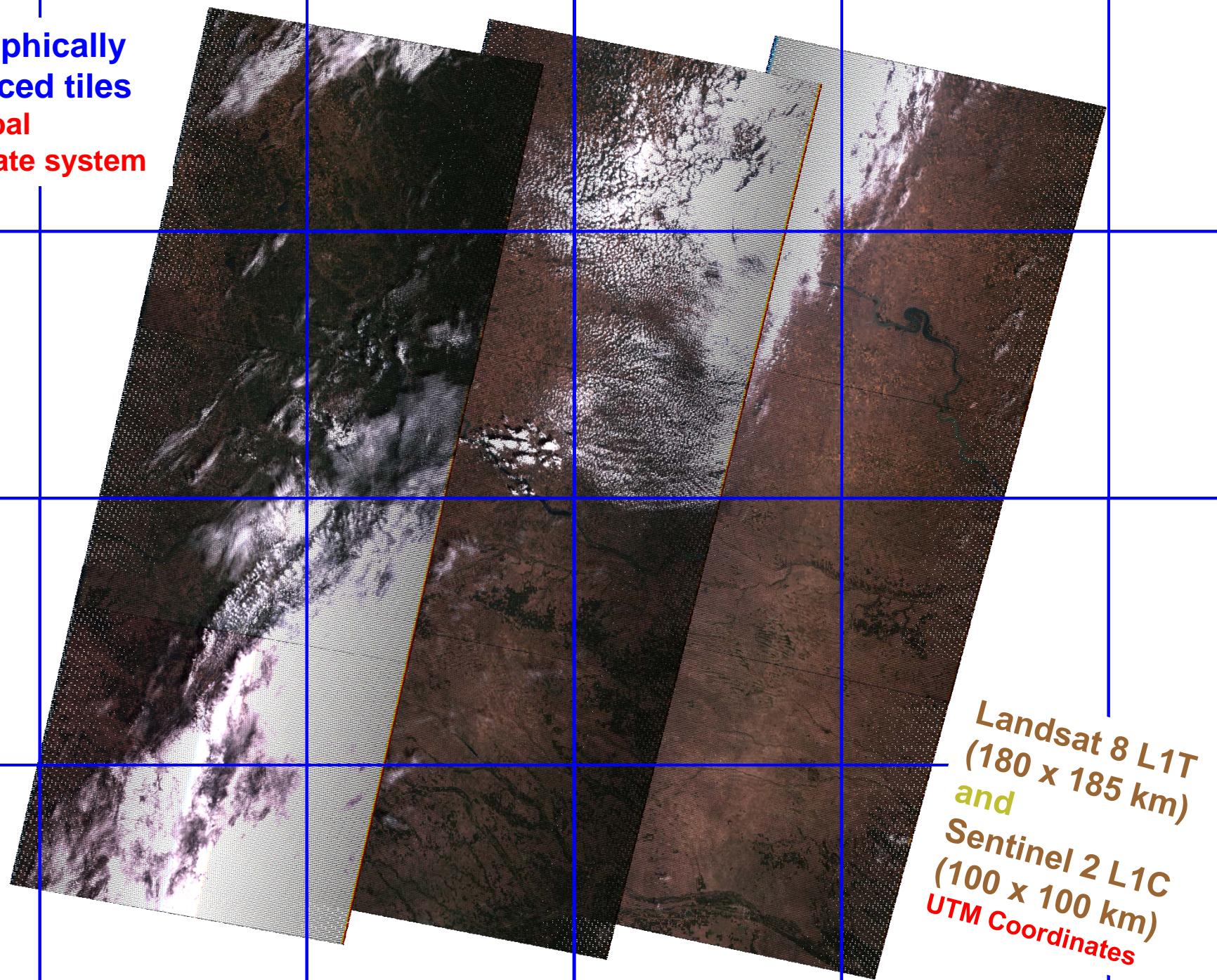


Google-Earth image. ~5.5 x 5 km
subset in Iowa near Eagle Grove.

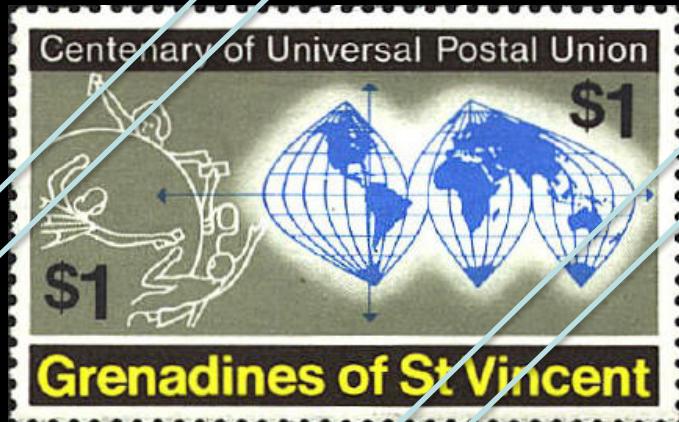


Regridding/Projection approach for Sentinel-2 & Landsat 8

Geographically
referenced tiles
in a global
coordinate system



Project Landsat 8 L1T & Sentinel 2 L1C UTM data to the same Global Projection - which ?



Interrupted projections too complex for users



Uninterrupted projections easier



Also, polar uninterrupted projection needed for cryospheric research ?

Project Landsat 8 L1T & Sentinel 2 1LC UTM data to the same Global Projection - which ?

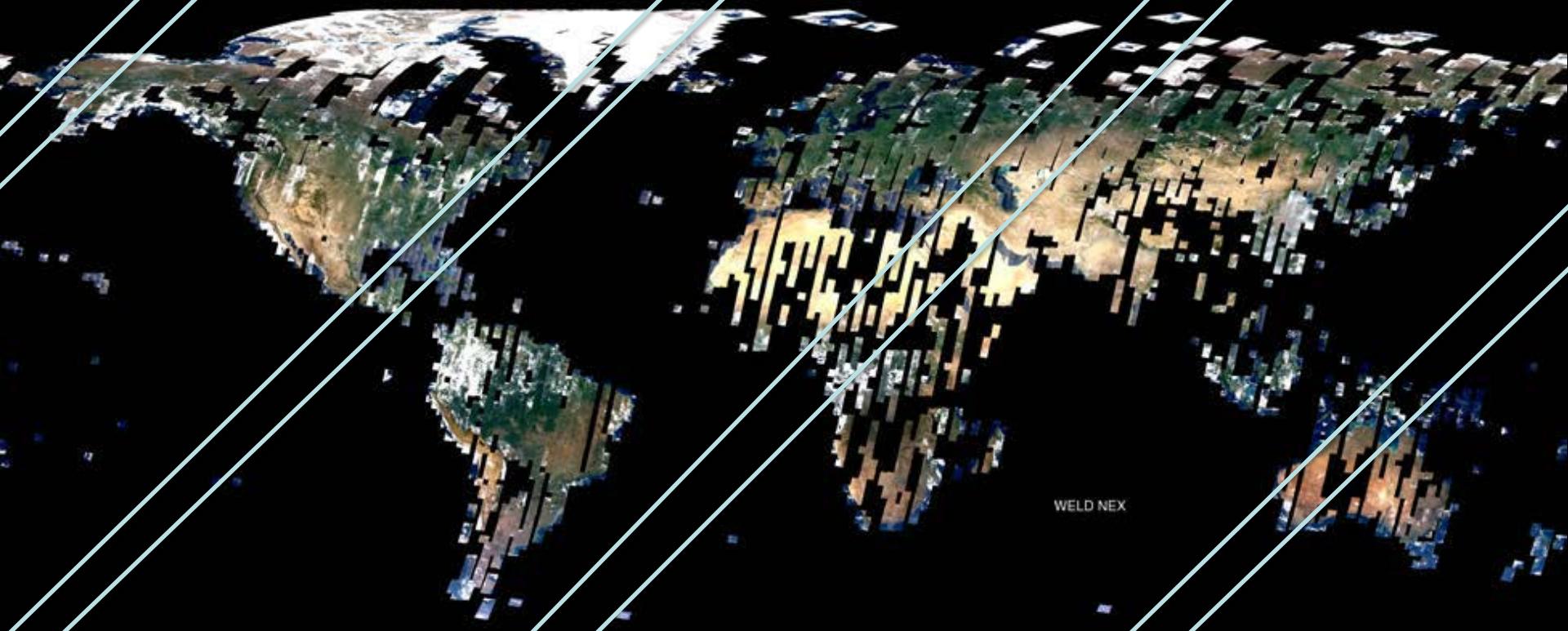
Should be

- equal area & uninterrupted
 - supported by publically available transformation software (GCTP, GDAL)
 - have closed-form inverse mapping (otherwise computing inverse expensive)
 - familiar to users
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- Mercator Projection
 - developed 1569 for nautical navigation
 - used by Google Maps
 - But, not equal area
 - Winkel Tripel Projection
 - minimizes distortion in area, direction and distance
 - used by the National Geographic Society
 - But, closed-form inverse mapping does not exist
 - Sinusoidal Equal Area Projection
 - satisfies criteria, developed for global change community, MODIS land products!



Early prototype Global monthly WELD product

Geographic Lat./Long. projection



Each 1.35km true color browse pixel
generated from 45 x 45 30m Landsat 7 ETM+ pixels

Early prototype Global monthly WELD product

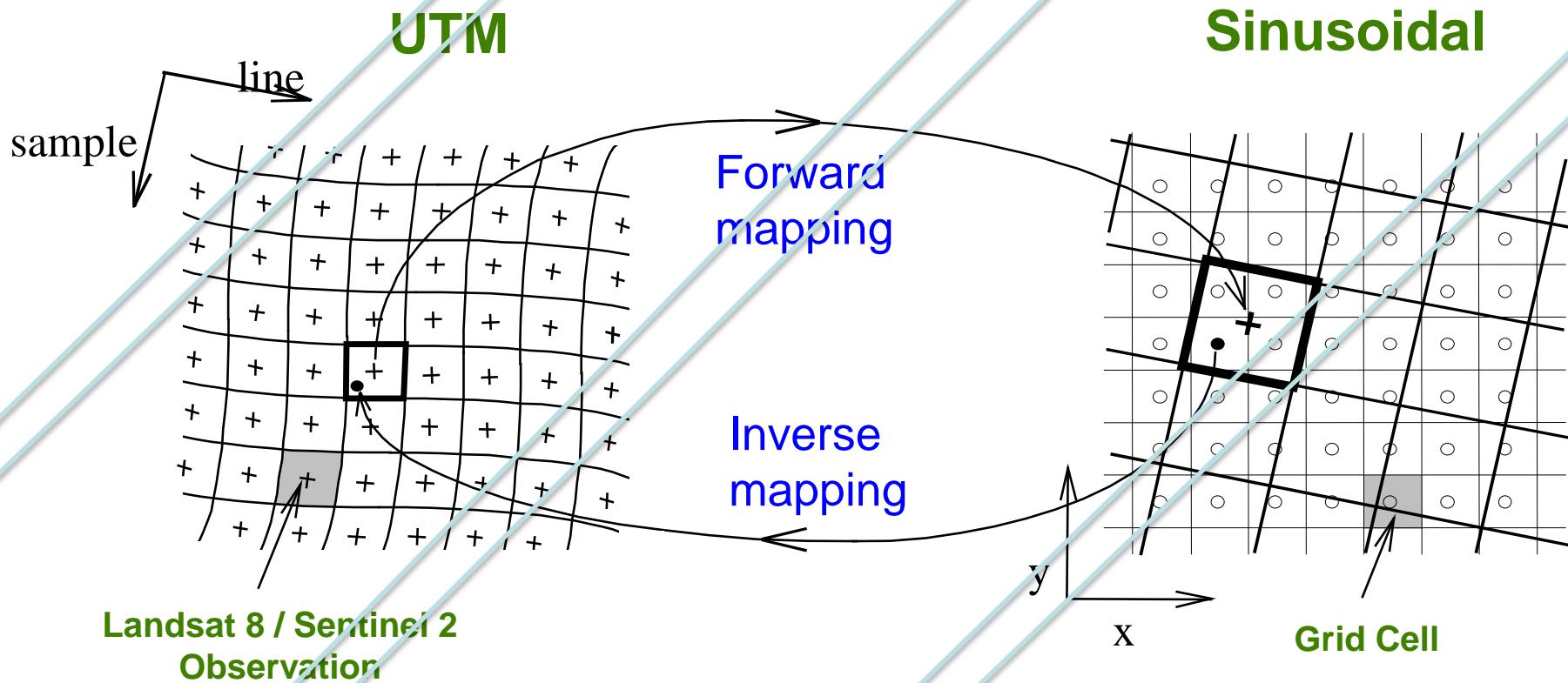
Equal area sinusoidal projection

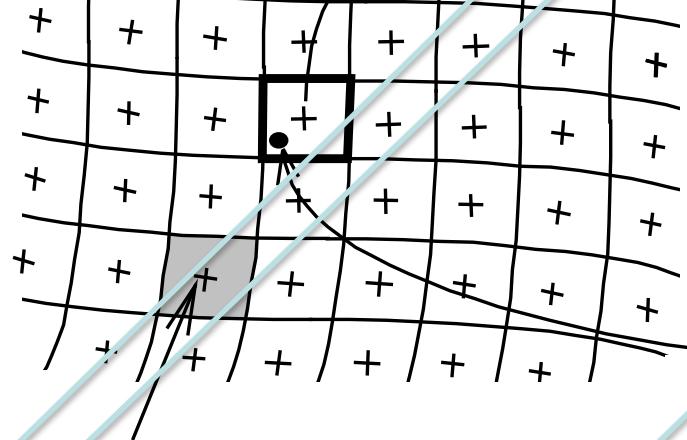


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Reprojection UTM <-> Sinusoidal which mapping approach ?

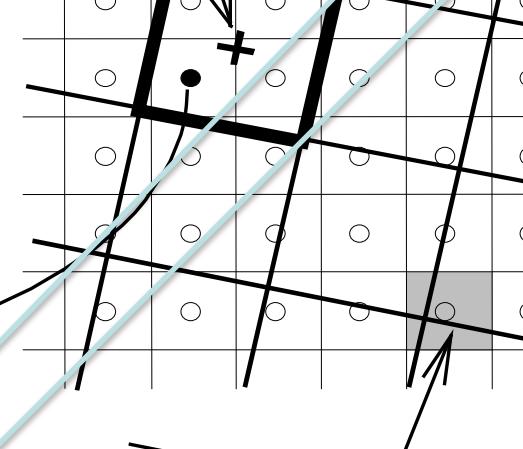
Use inverse mapping as computationally least expensive, each global pixel location only addressed once, no gaps in output.





Resampler ?

Inverse
Mapping



Landsat 8 / Sentinel 2
Observation

Grid Cell

Nearest Neighbor

$$r(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |x| = \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Bilinear

$$r(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - |x| & \text{for } |x| = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Cubic convolution

$$r(x) = r_0(x) + \alpha \cdot r_1(x) \quad \alpha \approx -0.5$$

$$r_0(x) = \begin{cases} (2|x|+1)(|x|-1)^2 & \text{for } |x| < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$r_1(x) = \begin{cases} |x|^2(|x|-1) & \text{for } |x| < 1 \\ (|x|-1)(|x|-2)^2 & \text{for } 1 \leq |x| \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

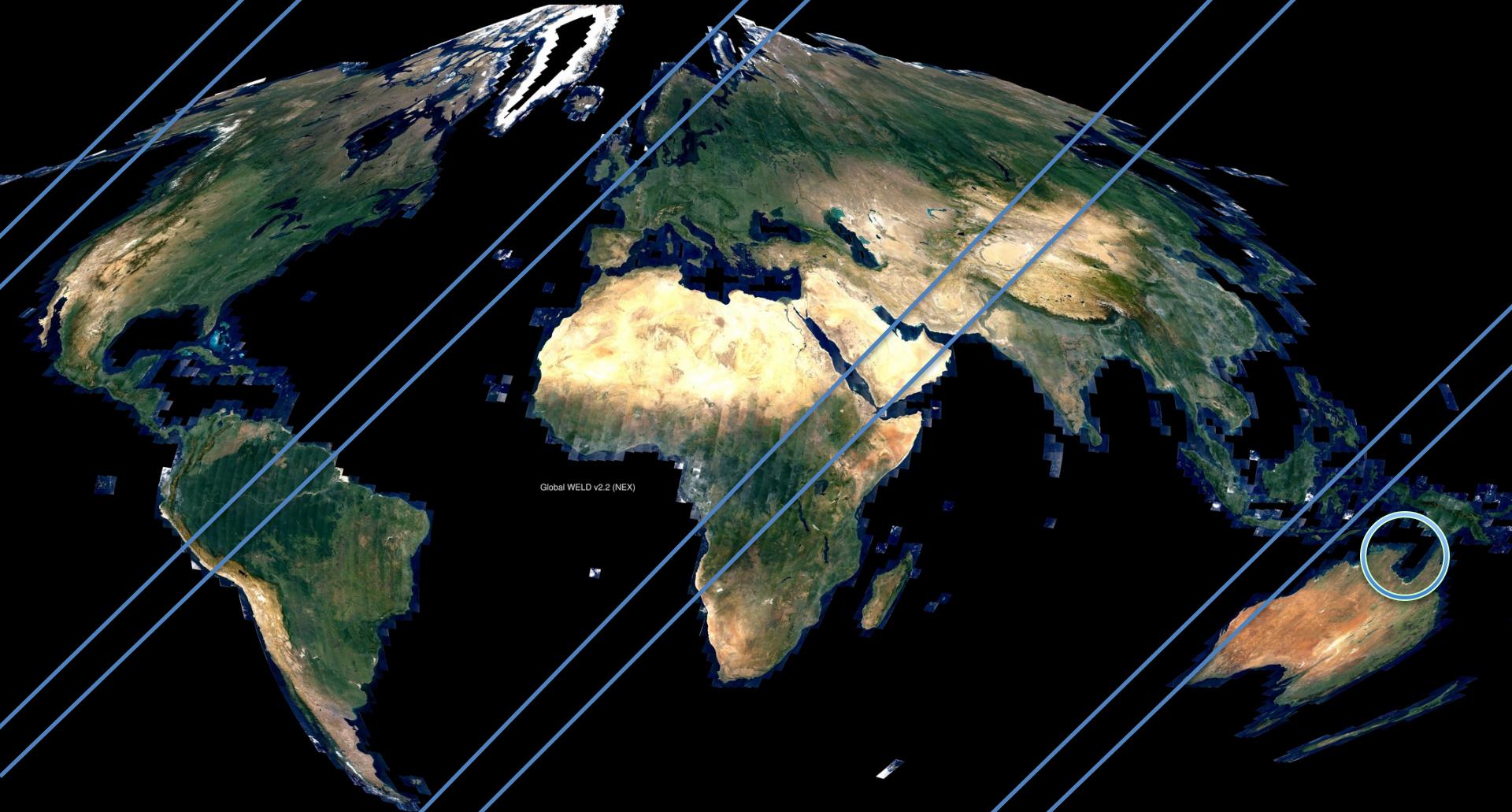
Use nearest neighbor resampling to preserve categorical & ordinal per-pixel QA information after reprojection

Kovalskyy, V. and Roy, D.P., 2015
A one year Landsat 8 conterminous United States study of cirrus and non-cirrus clouds,
Remote Sensing, 7, 564-578

high confidence clouds
medium confidence clouds
low confidence clouds



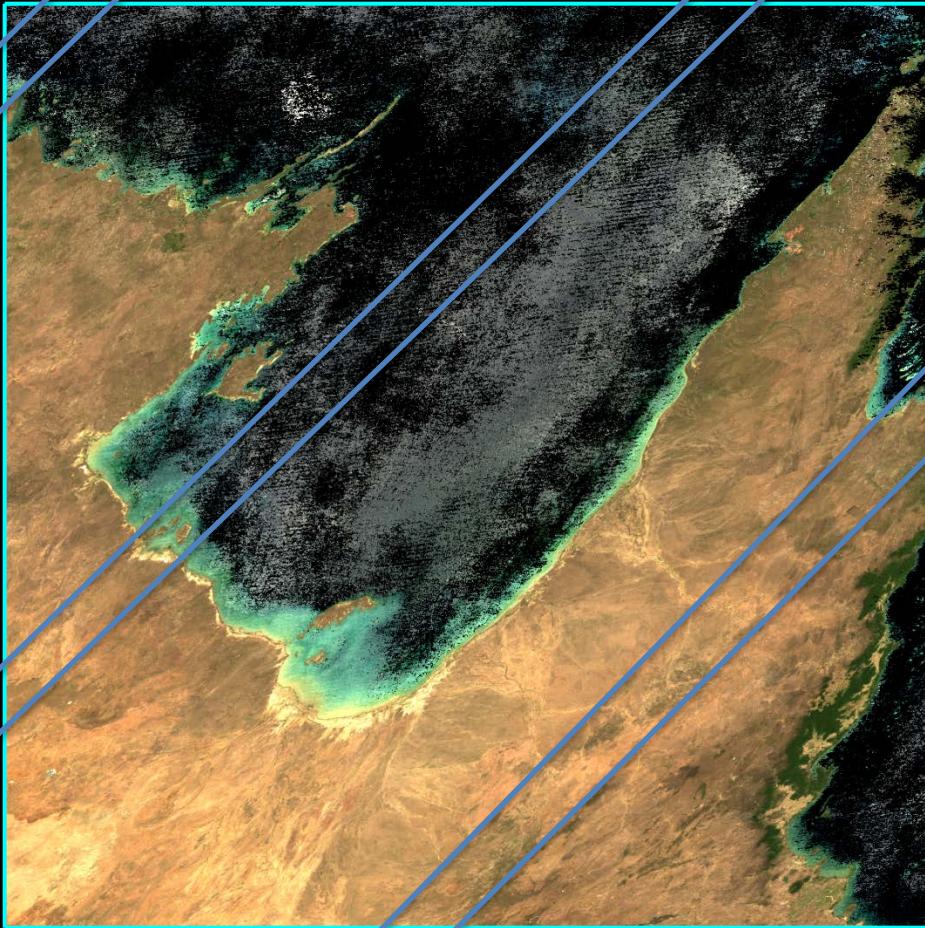
Tiling scheme ?



Global WELD NEX Annual 2010 30m product
124,433 L1T scenes (45,711 Landsat 5 & 78,722 Landsat 7)

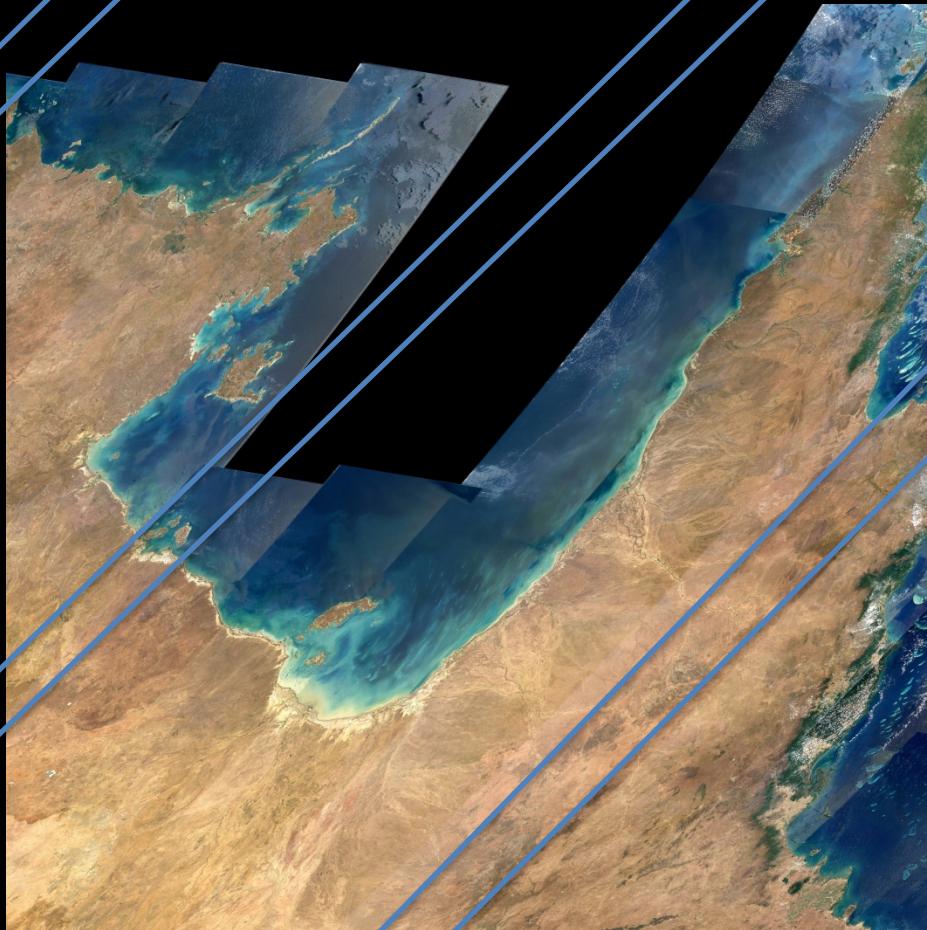
MODIS sinusoidal projection
29,652 x 14,826 1.35km browse pixels

MODIS Land Tile scheme ($10^\circ \times 10^\circ$ at Equator, 1200×1200 1km pixels)



- MODIS Land tile h31v10
- MODIS nadir view BRDF-adjusted 500m true color reflectance
- Terra and Aqua daily surface reflectance for October 2009

Gulf of Carpentaria, Australia

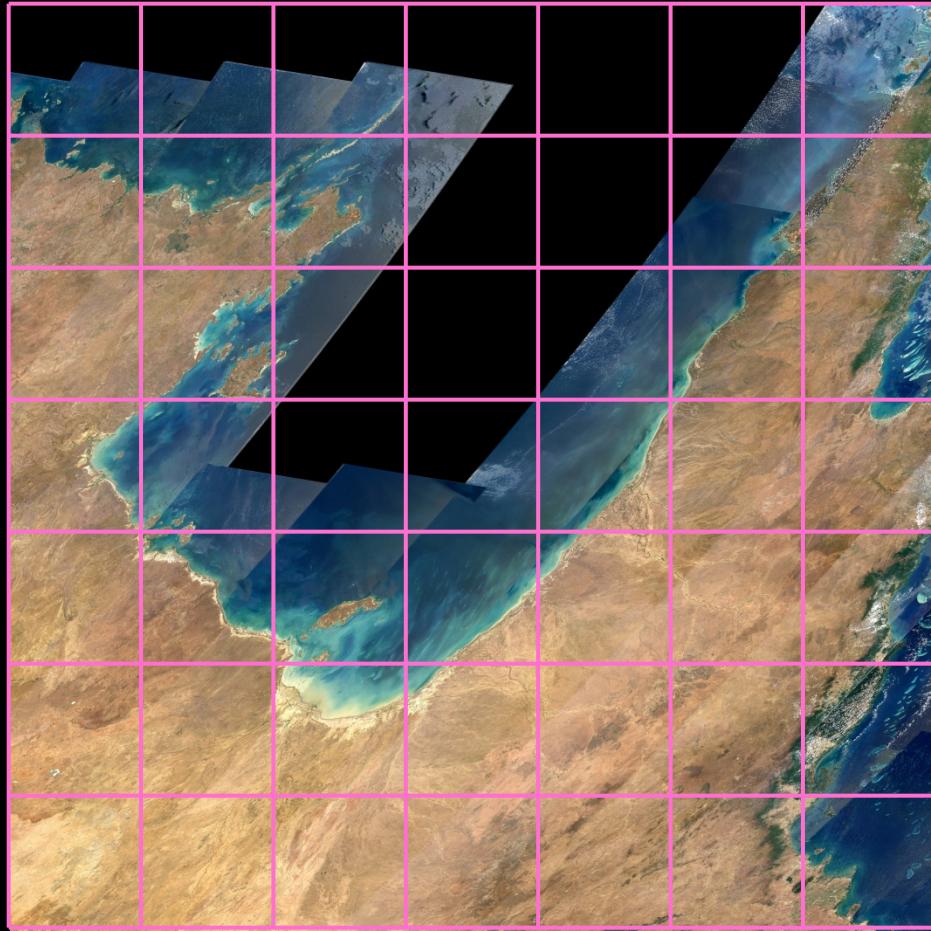


Gulf of Carpentaria, Australia

- Landsat 7 ETM+ & Landsat 5 TOA true color 30m reflectance composite
- Global WELD Version 2.2 monthly product
- October 2009

Landsat WELD tiling

(49 158 × 158 km tiles nested in each MODIS tiles)



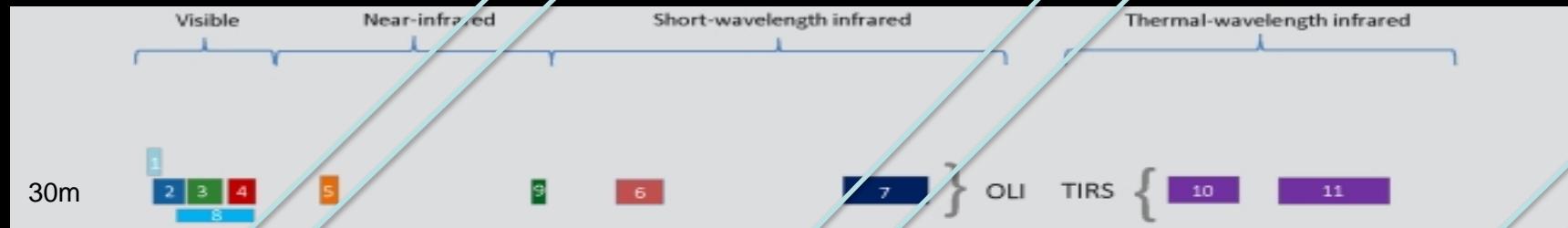
- Landsat 7 ETM+ & Landsat 5 TOA true color 30m reflectance composite
- Global WELD Version 2.2 monthly product
- October 2009
- 7 x 7 WELD tiles nested within a single MODIS tile
- each 5295 x 5295 30m pixels (158 x 158 km)

e.g., L57.Globe.month09.2009.hh31vv10.h1v7.doy248to273.v2.2.hdf

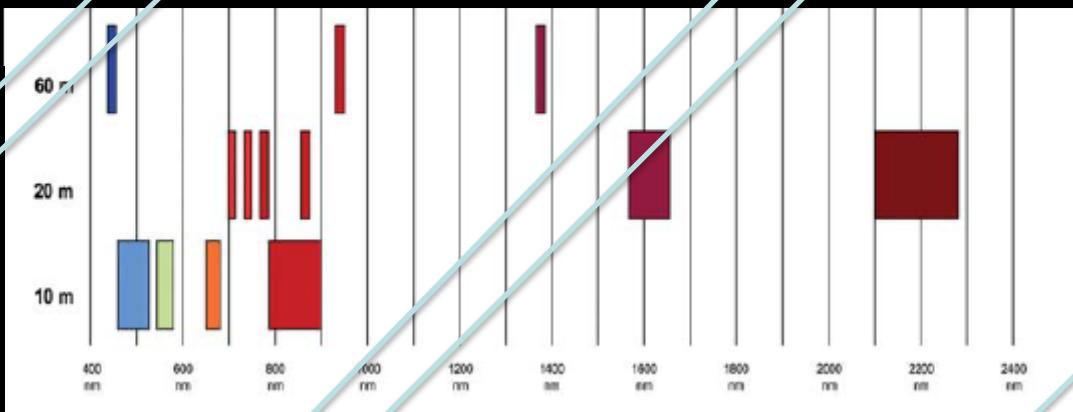
Compositing approach for Sentinel-2 & Landsat 8

Best pixel selection compositing over reporting period

- L8 and S2 bands separately (some users want this)
- L8-S2 surface NBAR fused (others users want this)

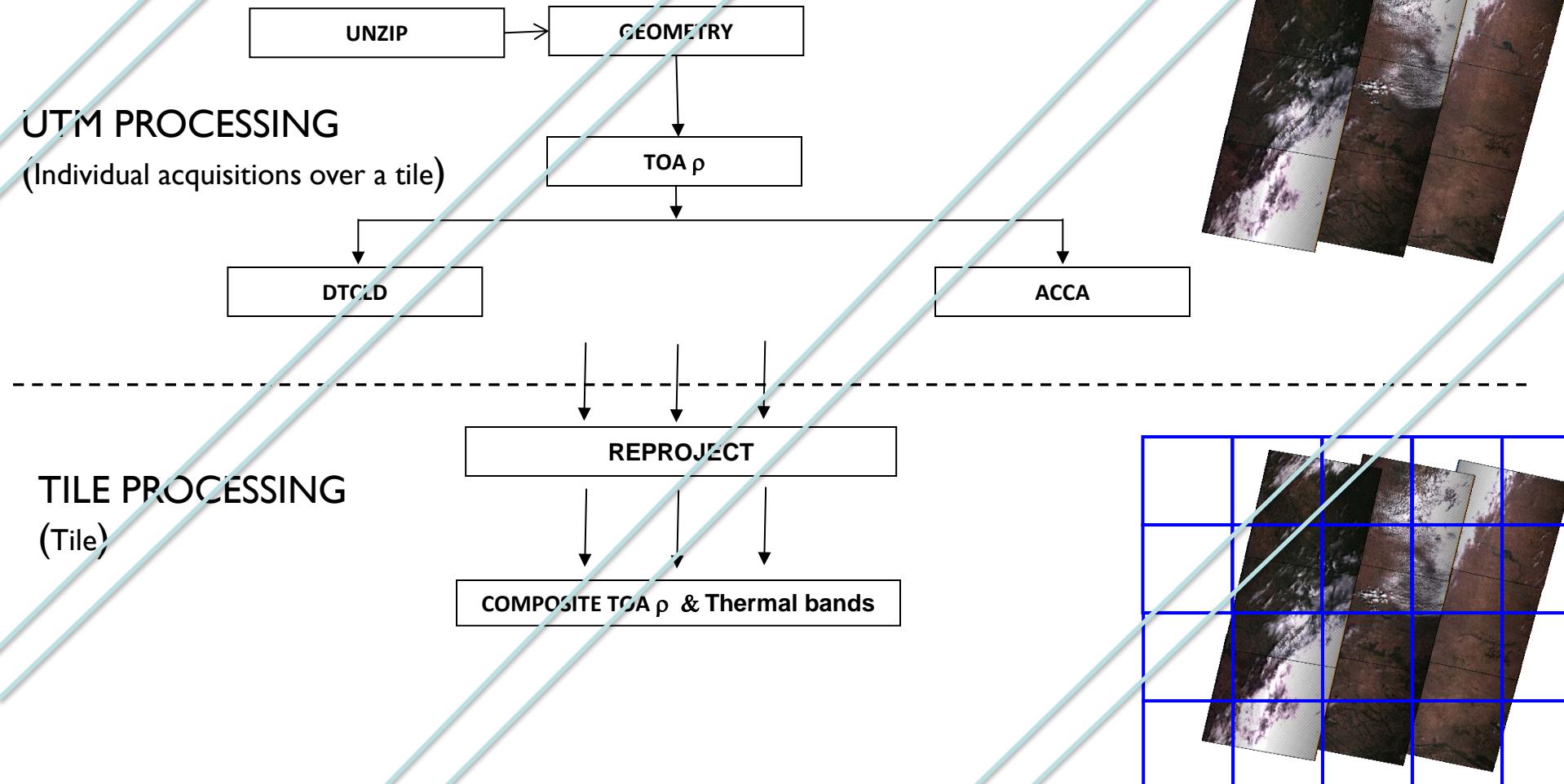


S2



Landsat 8 (L8) and
Sentinel 2 (S2)
different
spectral & spatial
resolutions

Overview of Global Version 2.2 WELD Processing Sequence



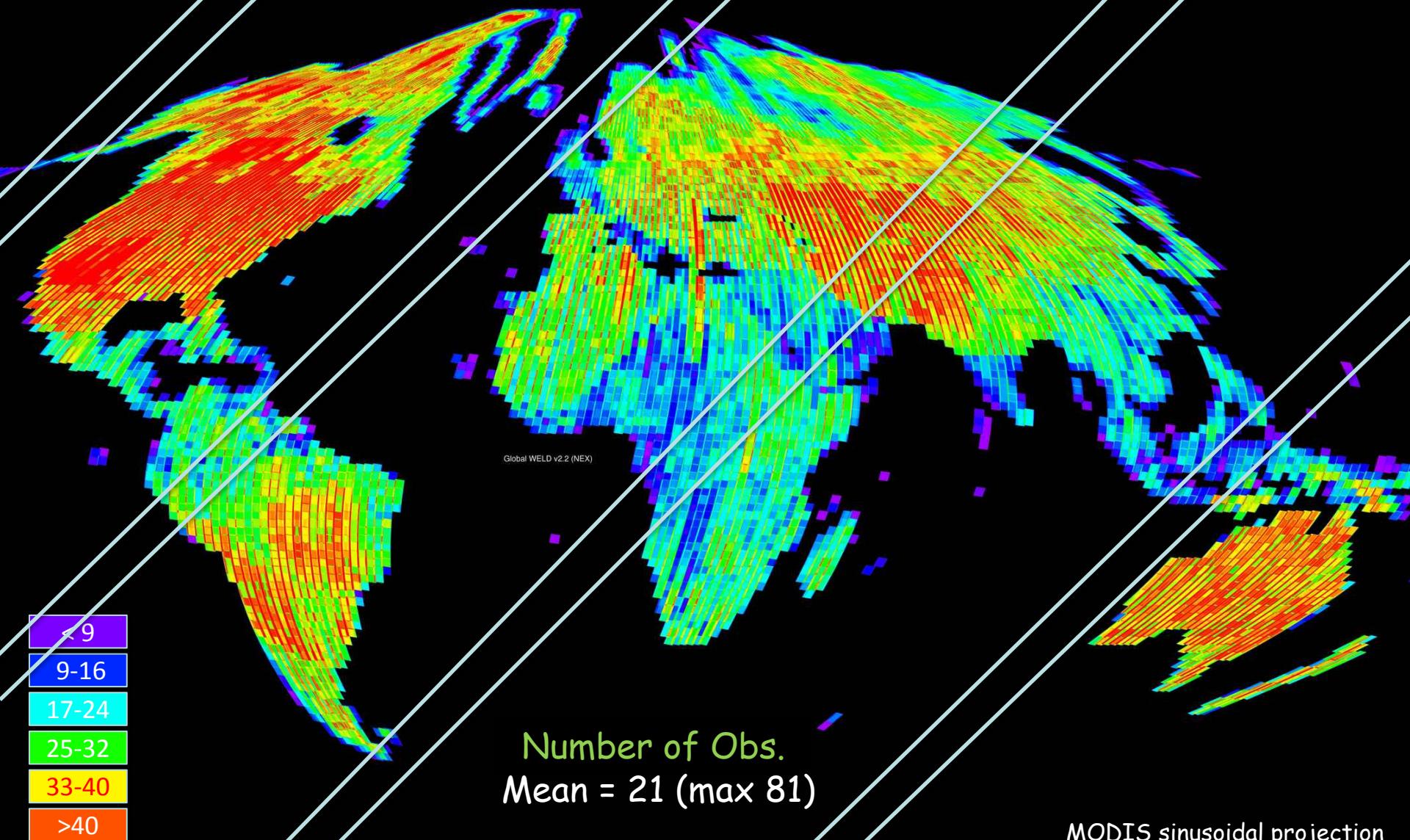
WELD compositing applied to Top of Atmosphere (TOA) reflectance because Landsat atmospheric correction is imperfect

Derived from

- 122 10x10km ETM+ subsets atmospherically corrected using 6SV and AERONET atmospheric characterization
- at 31 AERONET sites across U.S.

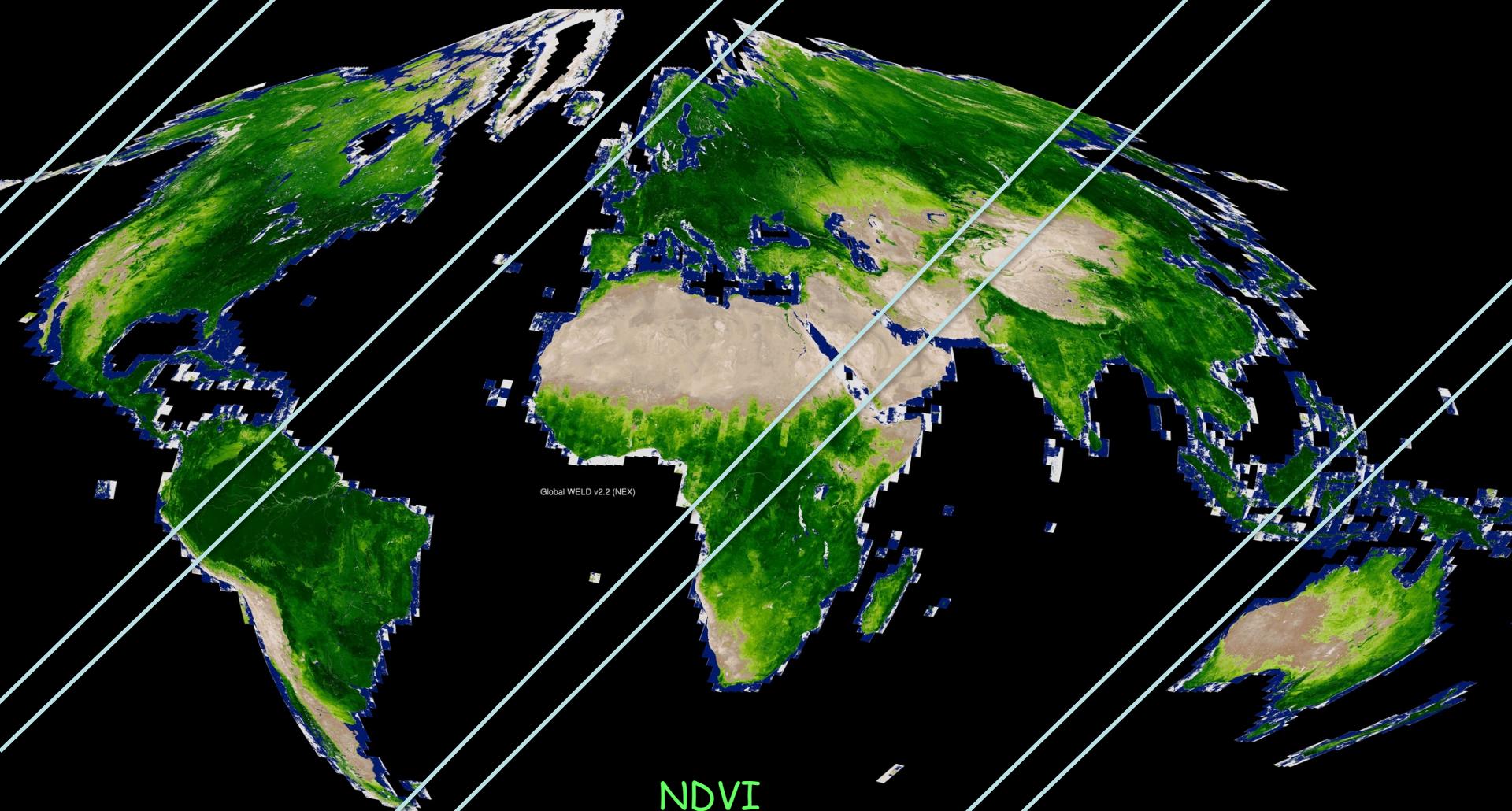
Landsat 7 Band	Mean normalized residual
1 (blue)	11.8%
2 (green)	5.7%
3 (red)	5.9%
4 (NIR)	4.8%
5 (MIR)	3.6%
7 (MIR)	5.2%
NDVI	6.3%

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Version 1.5 WELD compositing algorithm

Cloud QA & Max. NDVI & Max. BT heritage

Priority	Criteria	Selection	
1	IF only one none-fill	non-fill	
2	IF only one unsaturated	unsaturated	
3	IF both unsaturated	Maximum (brightness temperature)	
4	IF only one none-cloudy	none-cloudy	
5	IF one cloudy and one uncertain cloud	select uncertain cloud if it has greater brightness temperature or greater NDVI, else select cloudy	
6	IF one non-cloudy and one uncertain cloud	select non-cloud if it has greater brightness temperature or greater NDVI, else select uncertain cloud	
7	IF either below NDVI 0.09	select the one with greatest brightness temperature	"unvegetated"
8	ELSE	Maximum (NDVI)	vegetated

Roy, D.P., Ju, J., Kline, K., Scaramuzza, P.L., Kovalsky, V., Hansen, M.C., Loveland, T.R., Vermote, E.F., Zhang, C., 2010, Web-enabled Landsat Data (WELD): Landsat ETM+ Composited Mosaics of the Conterminous United States, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, 114: 35-49.

Landsat 7 (L1T) scene projected into the
WELD Albers grid



Day 74

true color
TOA
reflectance

Florida

500 x 400
30m pixels

Landsat 7 (L1T) scene projected into the WELD Albers grid



Day 90

true color
TOA
reflectance

Florida

500 x 400
30m pixels

WELD Version 1.5 monthly Composite



March

true color
TOA
reflectance

Florida

500 x 400
30m pixels

WELD Version 1.5 monthly Composite



March

true color
TOA
reflectance

Florida

500 x 400
30m pixels

Shadow & cloud edge issues over vegetation !

Landsat 7 (L1T) scene projected into the
WELD Albers grid



Day 124

true color
TOA
reflectance

South
Dakota

500 x 400
30m pixels

Landsat 7 (L1T) scene projected into the
WELD Albers grid



Day 140

true color
TOA
reflectance

South
Dakota

500 x 400
30m pixels

WELD Version 1.5 monthly Composite



May

true color
TOA
reflectance

South
Dakota

500 x 400
30m pixels

WELD Version 1.5 monthly Composite



May

true color
TOA
reflectance

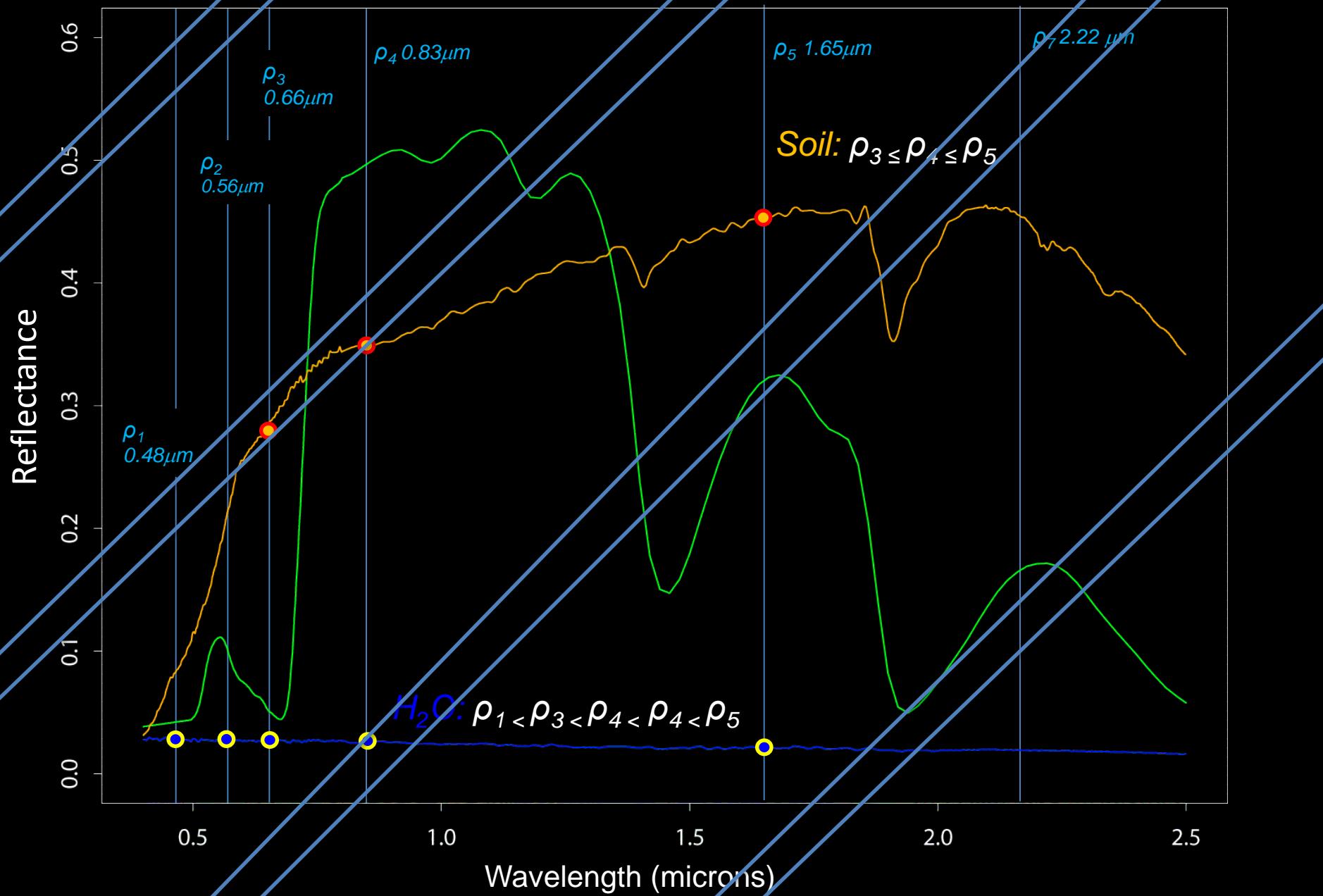
South
Dakota

500 x 400
30m pixels

Shadow & atmospheric contamination issues over soil !

Version 2.2 compositing algorithm

Use threshold free Soil & also Water Tests



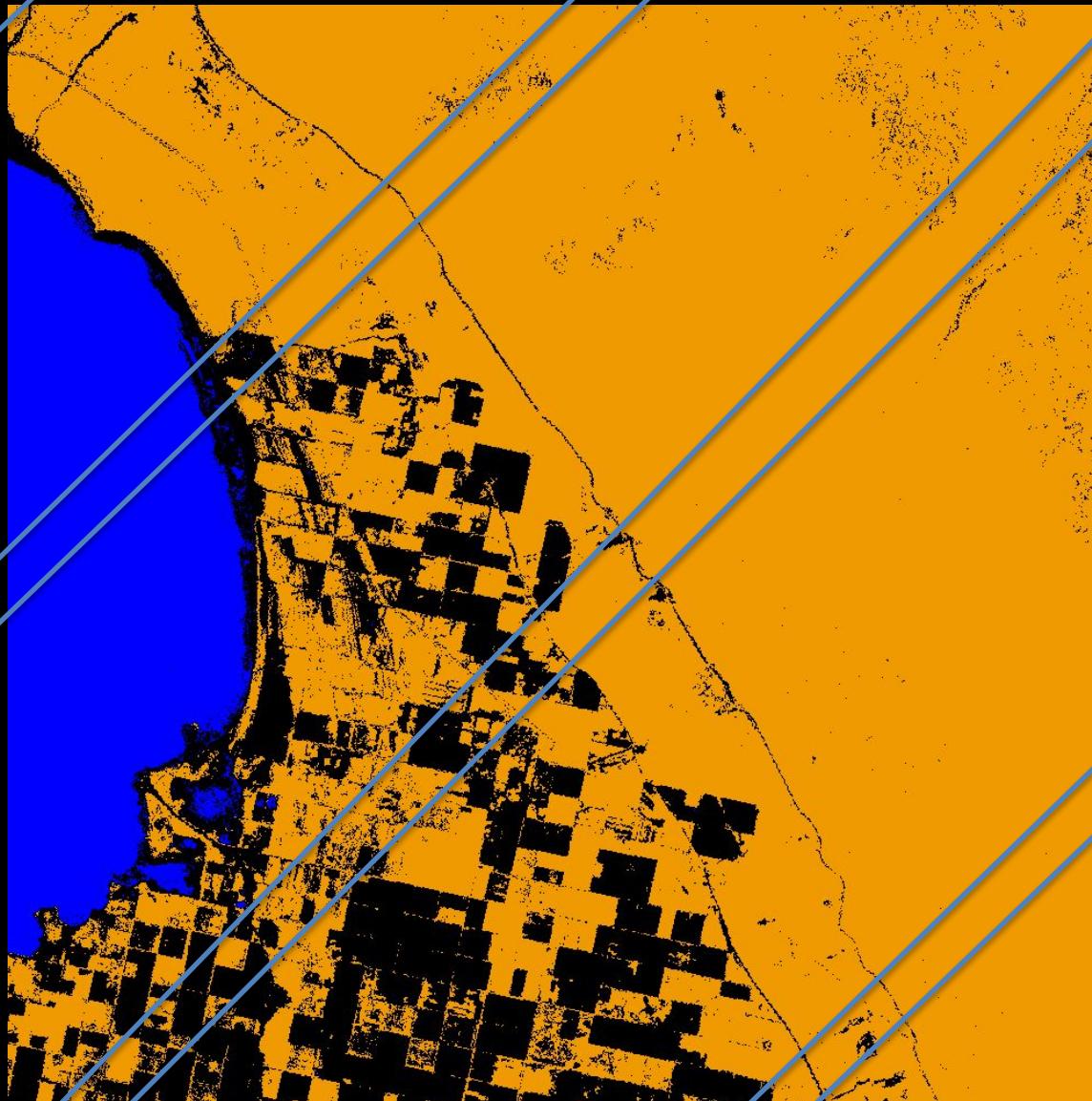


April
2008
true color
TOA
reflectance

California

500 x 400
30m pixels

soil and water test results



April
2008
true color
TOA
reflectance

California

500 x 400
30m pixels

WELD Version 1.5 monthly Composite



May
2008
true color
TOA
reflectance

South
Dakota

500 x 400
30m pixels

WELD Version 2.2 monthly Composite



May
2008
true color
TOA
reflectance

South
Dakota

500 x 400
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WELD Version 1.5 monthly Composite



March
2008
true color
TOA
reflectance

Florida
 500×400
30m pixels

WELD Version 2.2 monthly Composite



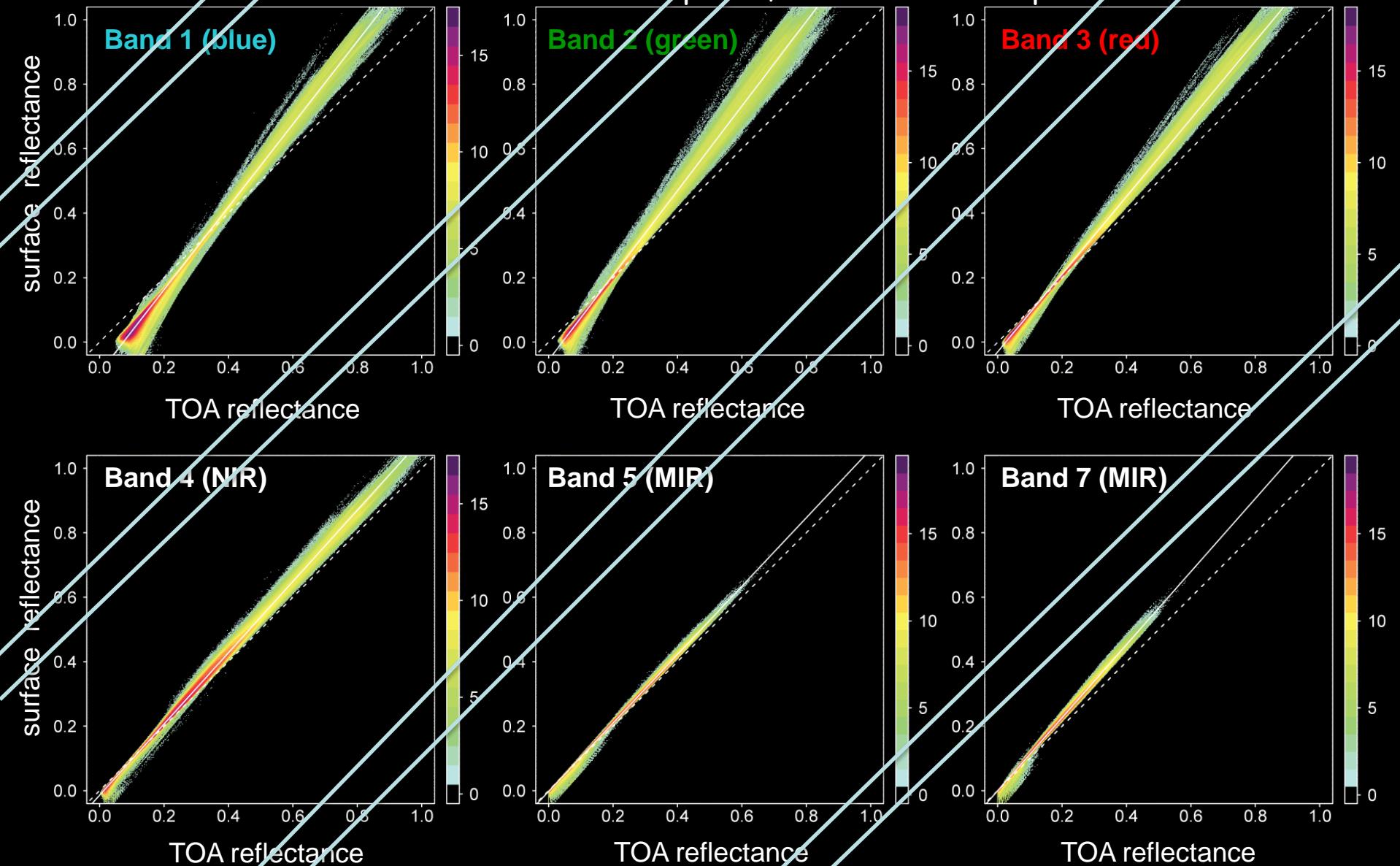
March
2008
true color
TOA
reflectance

Florida
 500×400
30m pixels

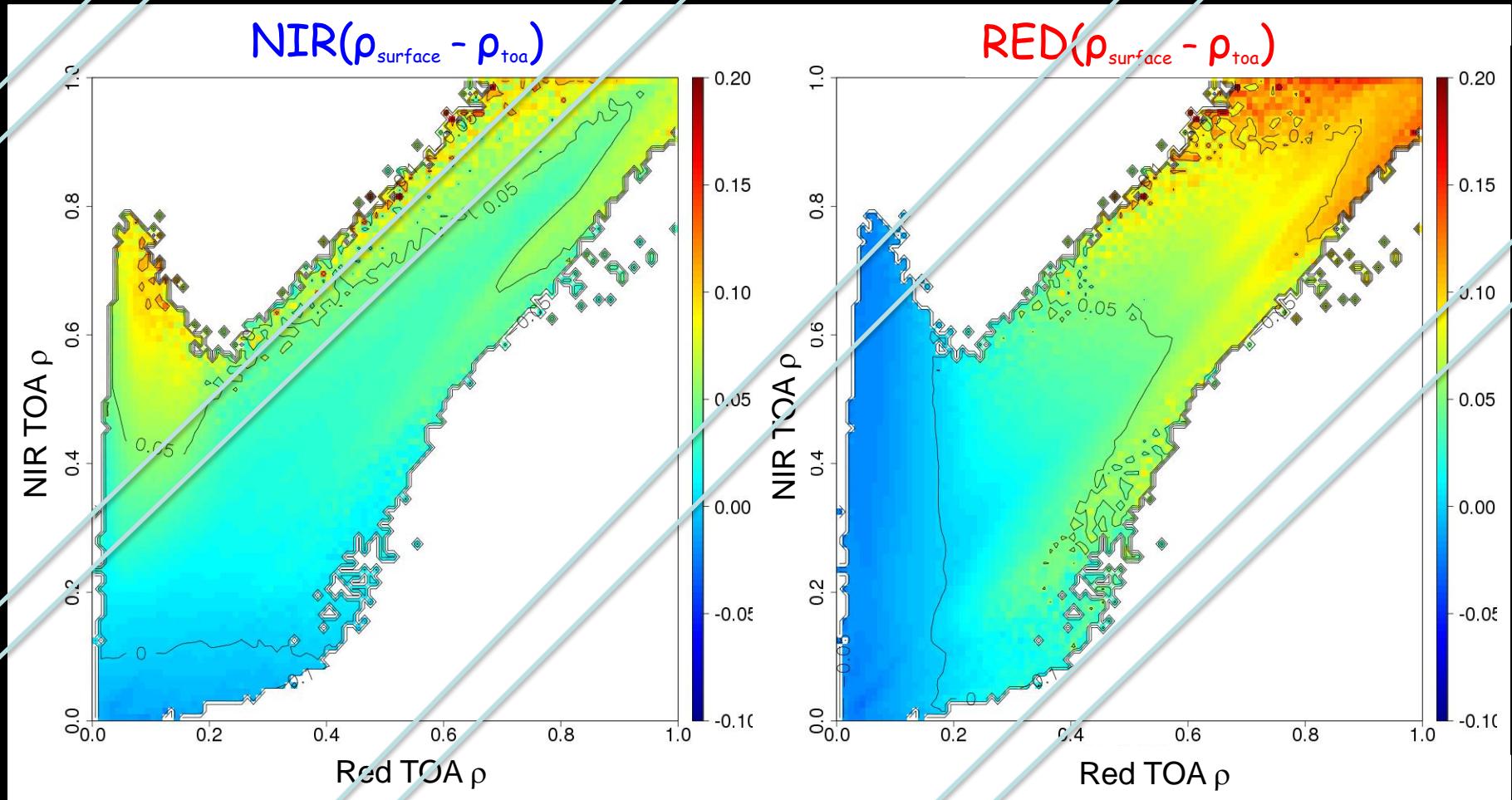
Version 3.0 compositing algorithm

V3.0 compositing algorithm informed by analysis of impact of atmosphere on WELD TOA reflectance

Pixels sampled every 40 pixels across CONUS from 12 monthly WELD composites, ignoring cloud and saturated WELD pixels, ~ 53 million 30m pixels



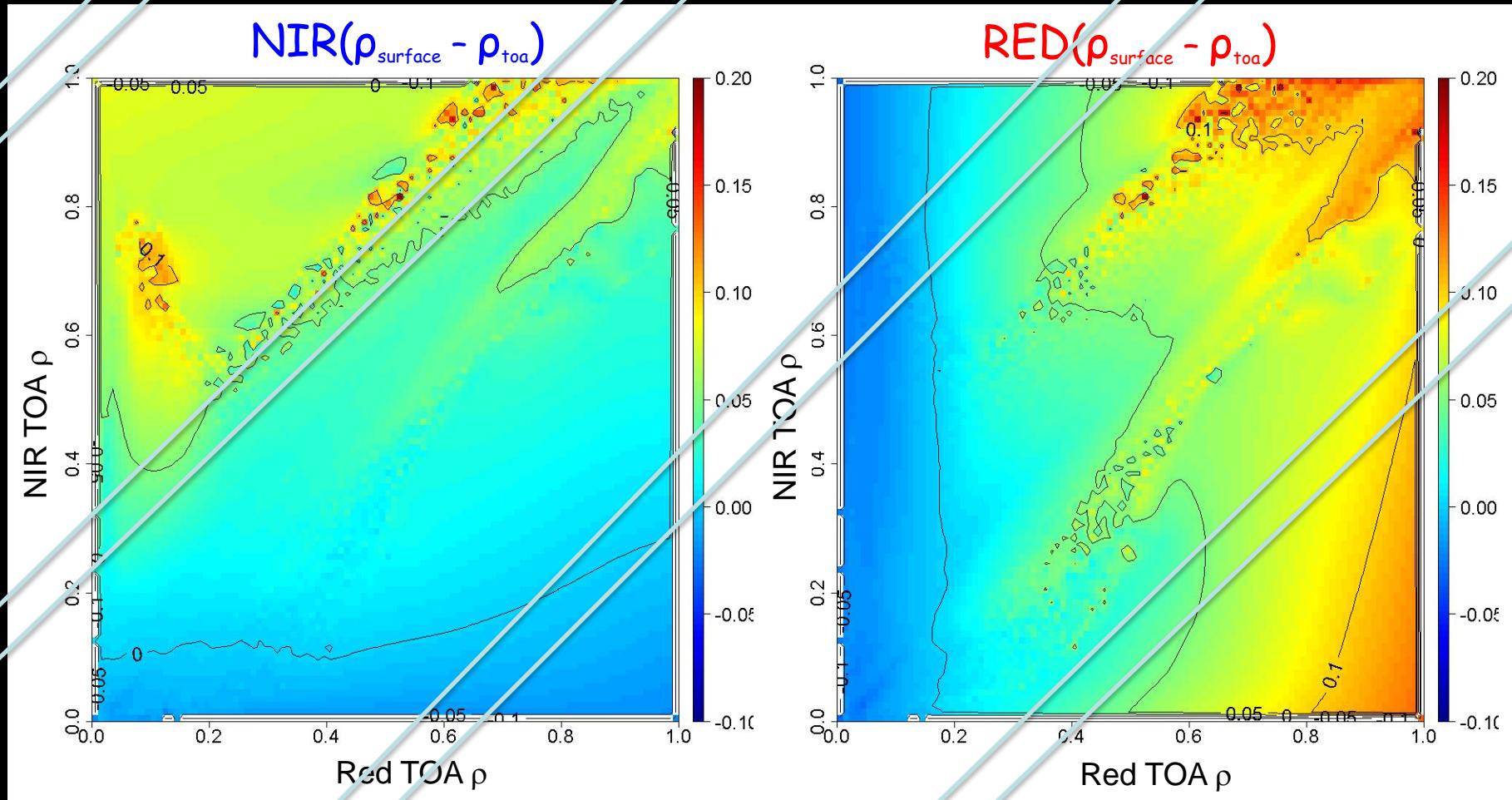
Spectral Lookup table of $\rho_{\text{surface}} - \rho_{\text{toa}}$ differences for red and NIR Landsat bands



generated from 90,542,838 30m CONUS pixel comparisons

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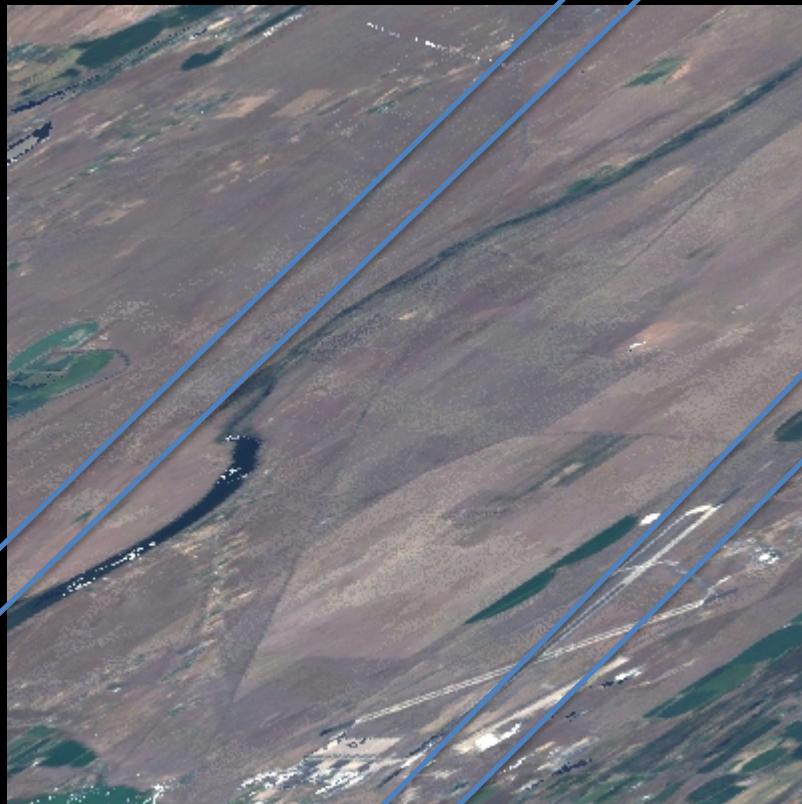
Natural neighbor interpolated to 0-1 reflectance range



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Global WELD June 2010 month composite TOA ρ version 2.2 algorithm

Columbia River Valley, Grant
Country International Airport



Central Florida Wetlands,
Lake Okeechobee

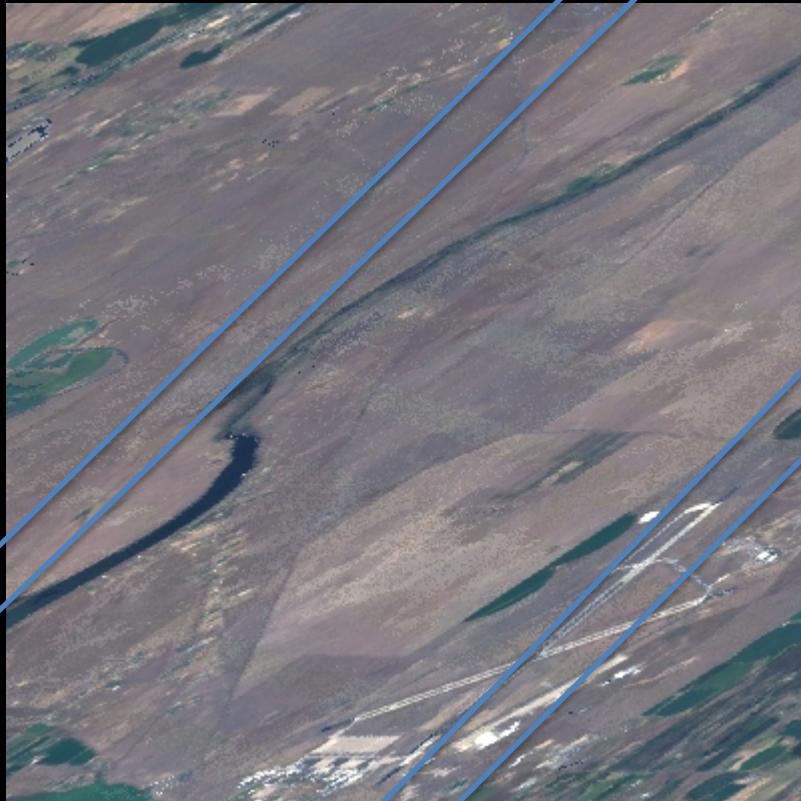


Generated from 3 Landsat 5 & 3 Landsat 7

Generated from 1 Landsat 5 & 2 Landsat 7

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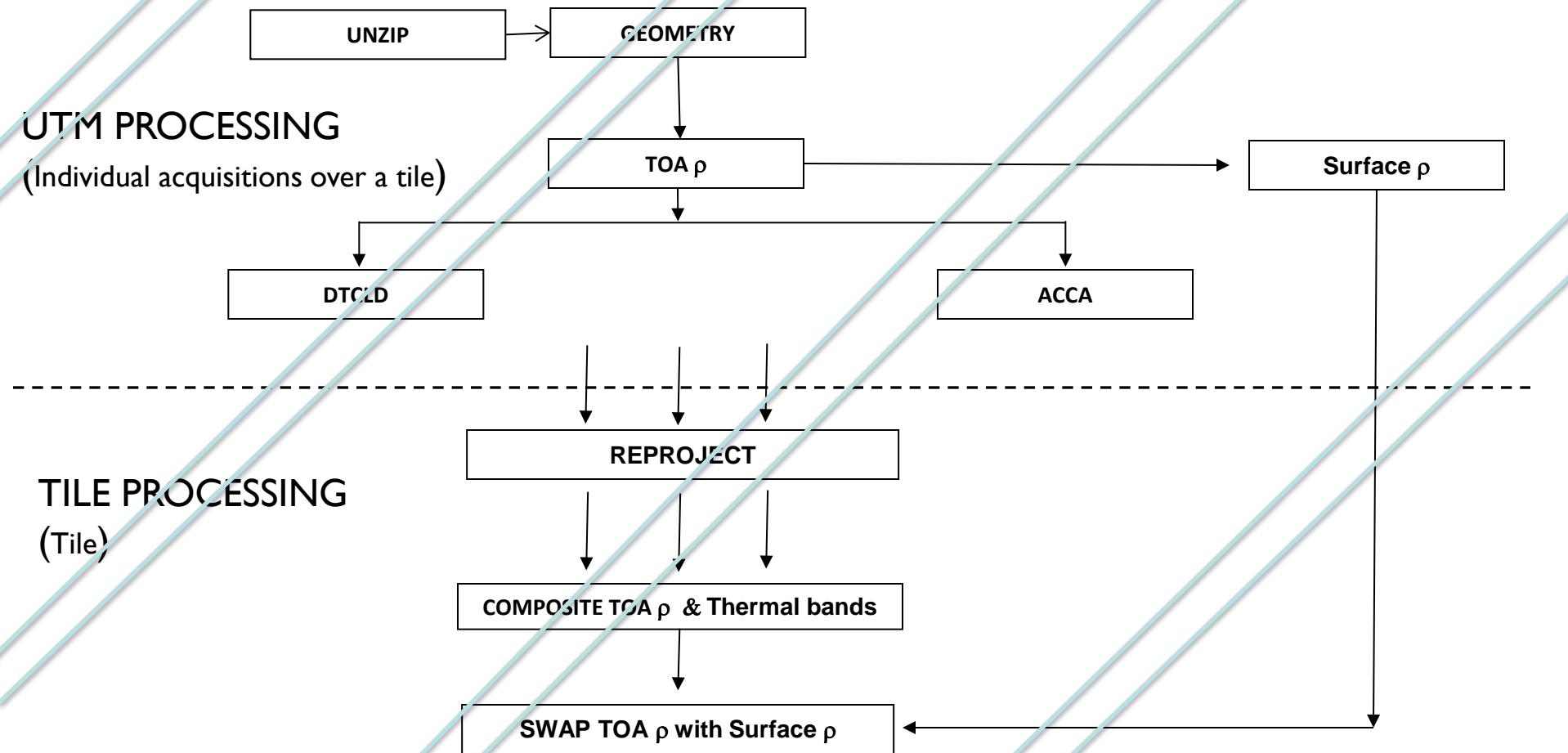
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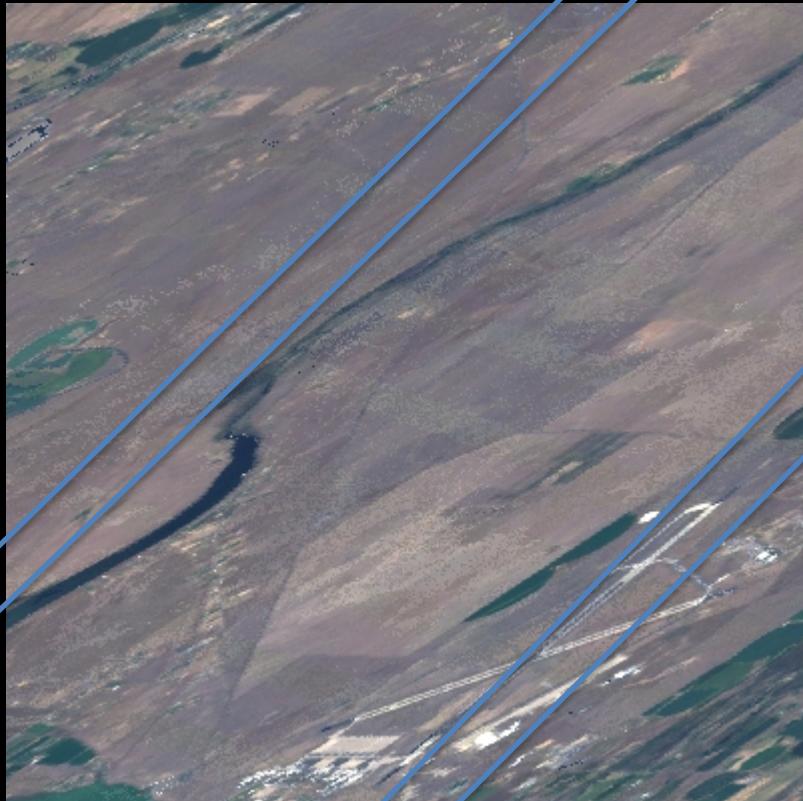
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Overview of Global Version 3.0 WELD Processing Sequence



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Global WELD June 2010 month composite surface ρ version 3.0 algorithm

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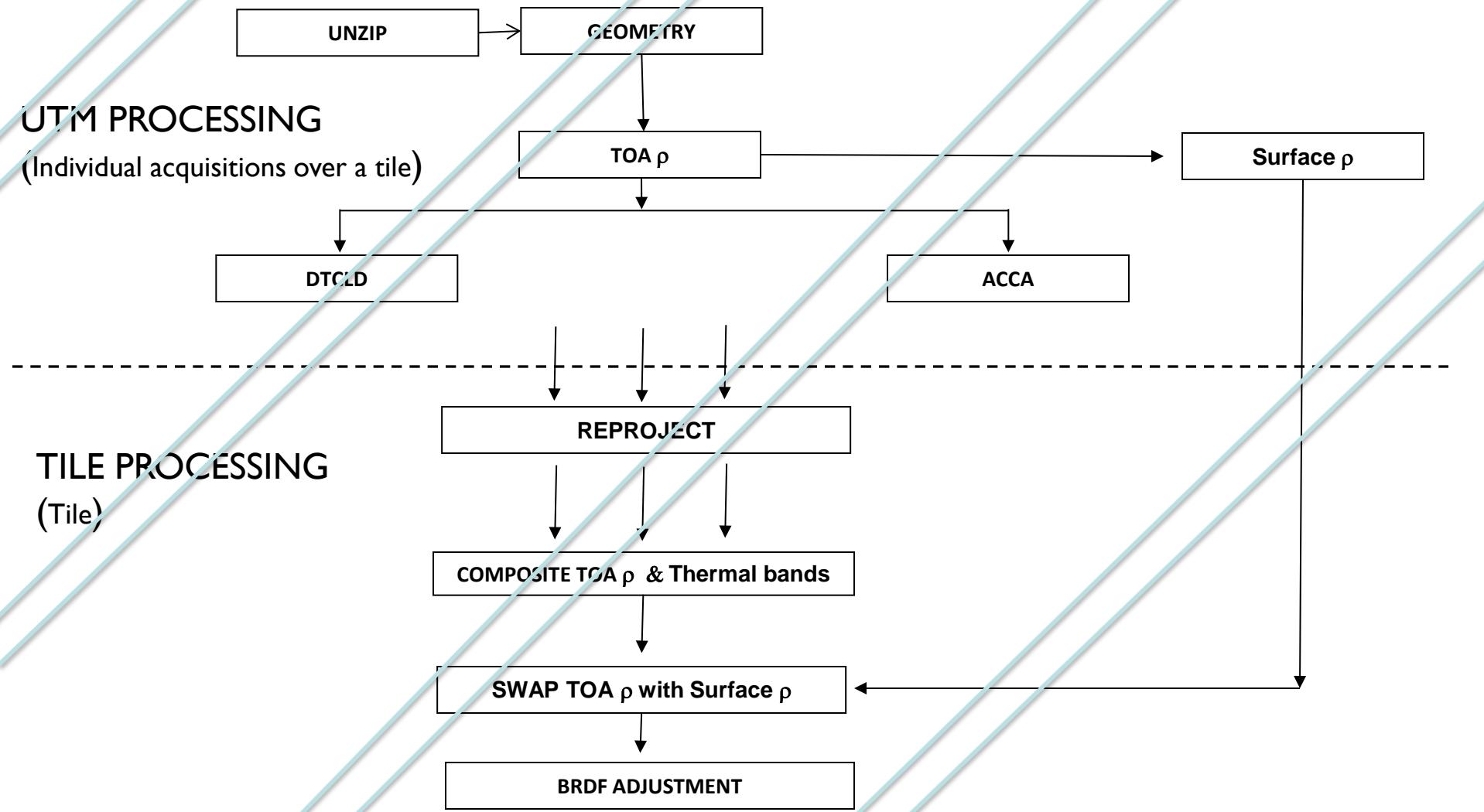
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LEDAPS atmospheric correction

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Landsat MODIS-based BRDF Adjustment c-factor method

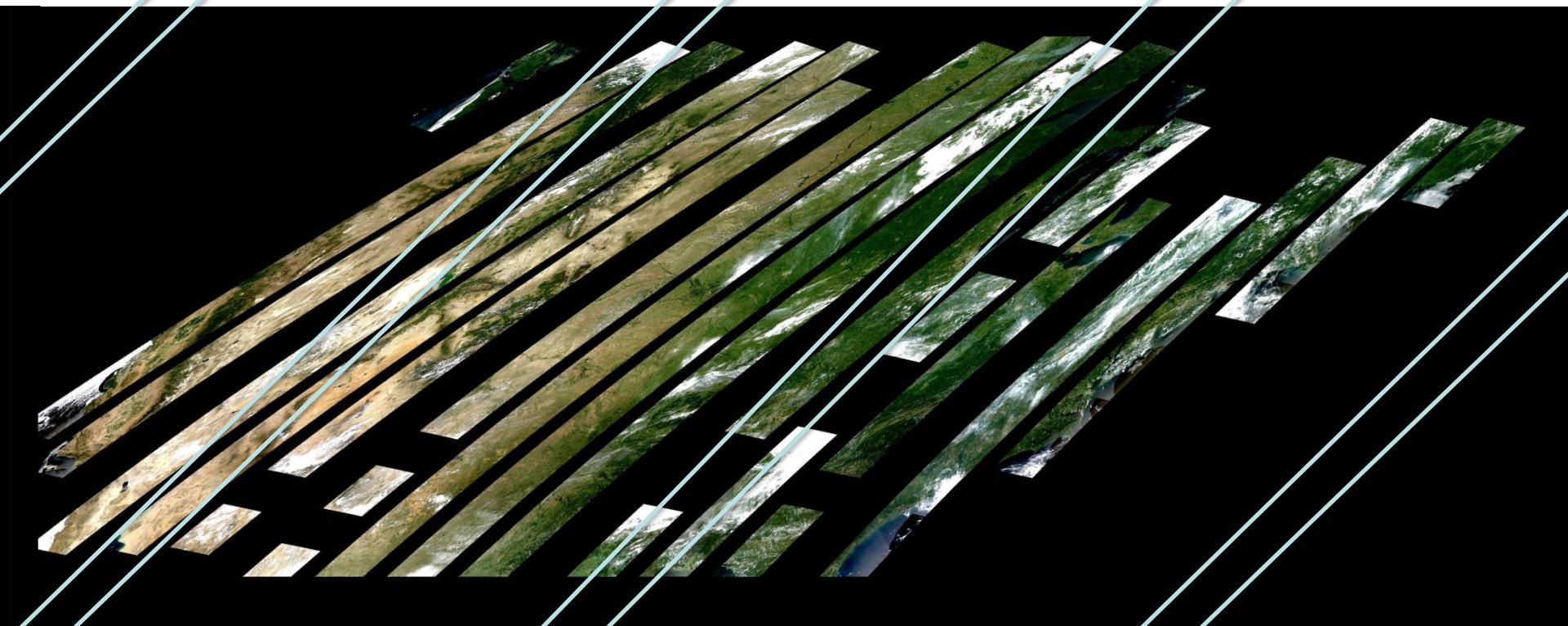
$$\hat{\rho}_{ETM+,t1}(\lambda_{ETM+}, \Omega_{nadir}, \Omega'_{solar\ noon}) = c \times \rho_{ETM+,t1}(\lambda_{ETM+}, \Omega_{observed}, \Omega'_{observed})$$

$$c = \frac{\hat{\rho}_{MODIS,t1}(\lambda_{MCDIS}, \Omega_{nadir}, \Omega'_{solar\ noon})}{\hat{\rho}_{MODIS,t1}(\lambda_{MODIS}, \Omega_{observed}, \Omega'_{observed})}$$

$\hat{\rho}_{MODIS}$ computed from the MODIS 16-day 500m BRDF/Albedo product (MCD43) spectral BRDF model parameters

Roy, D.P., Ju, J., Lewis, P., Schaaf, C., Gao, F., Hansen, M., Lindquist, E., 2008. Multi-temporal MODIS-Landsat data fusion for relative radiometric normalization, gap filling, and prediction of Landsat data. *Remote Sensing of Environment* 112 (6), 3112-3130.

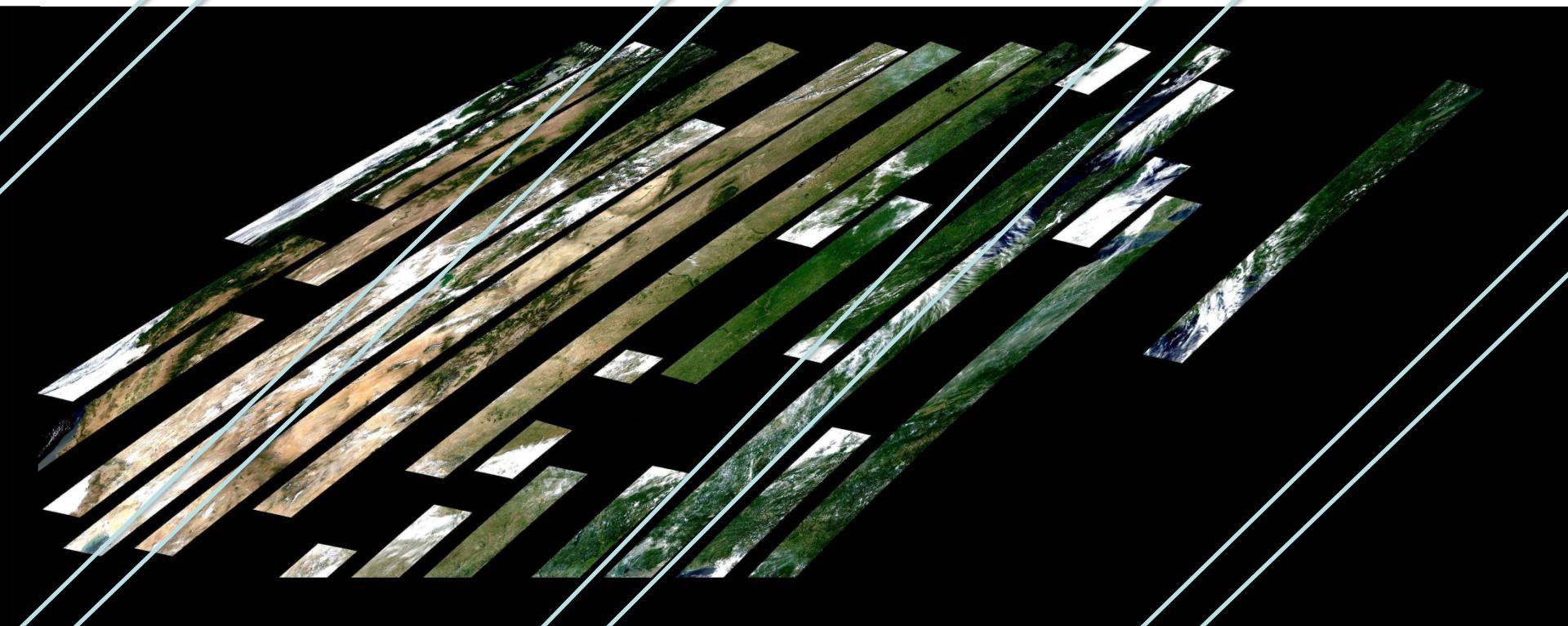
Conterminous United States (CONUS) Landsat 5 true color surface reflectance (week 27, 2010)



MODIS sinusoidal projection

Atmospherically corrected with LEDAPS code

Conterminous United States (CONUS) Landsat 7 true color surface reflectance (week 27, 2010)

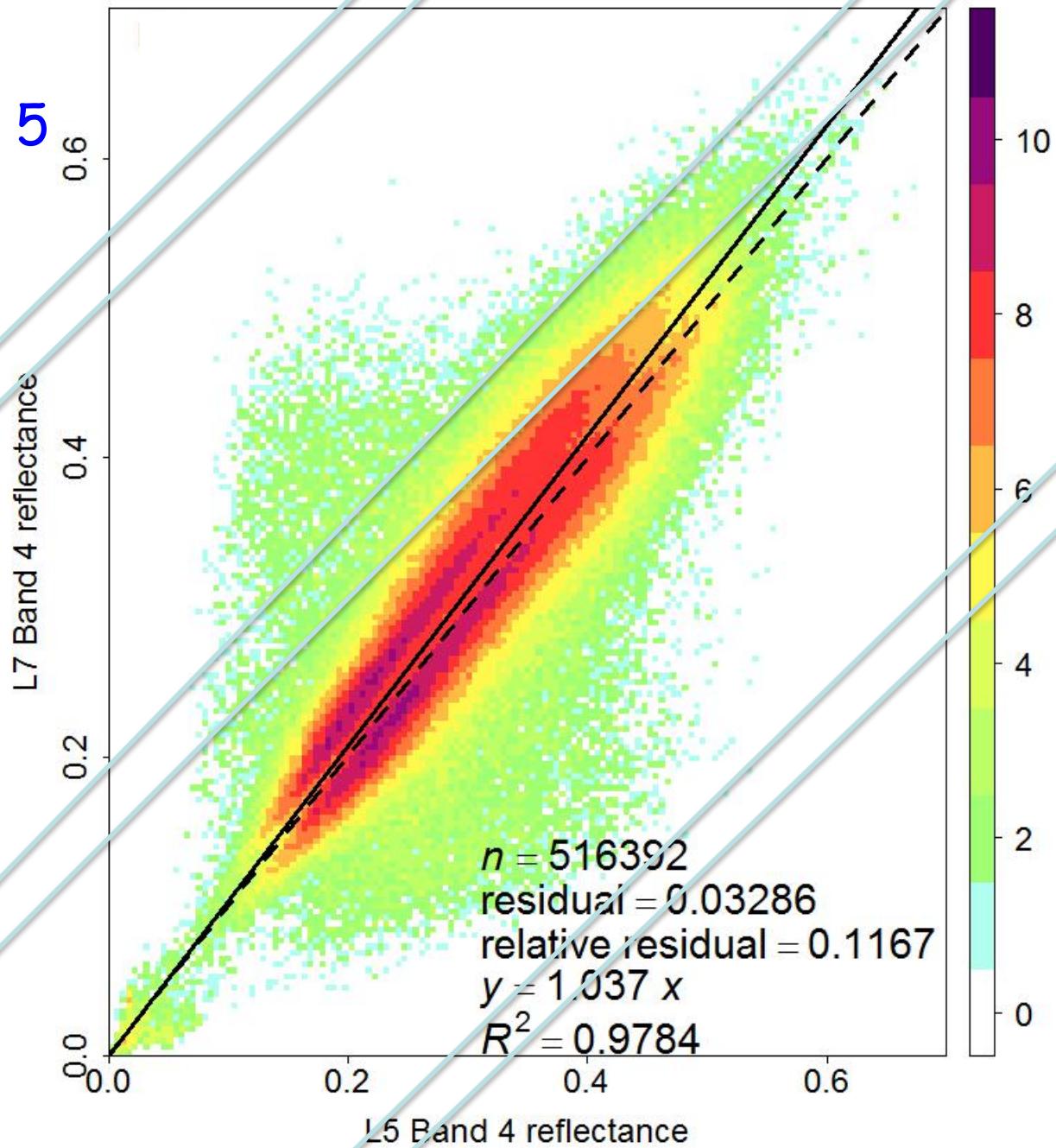


MODIS sinusoidal projection

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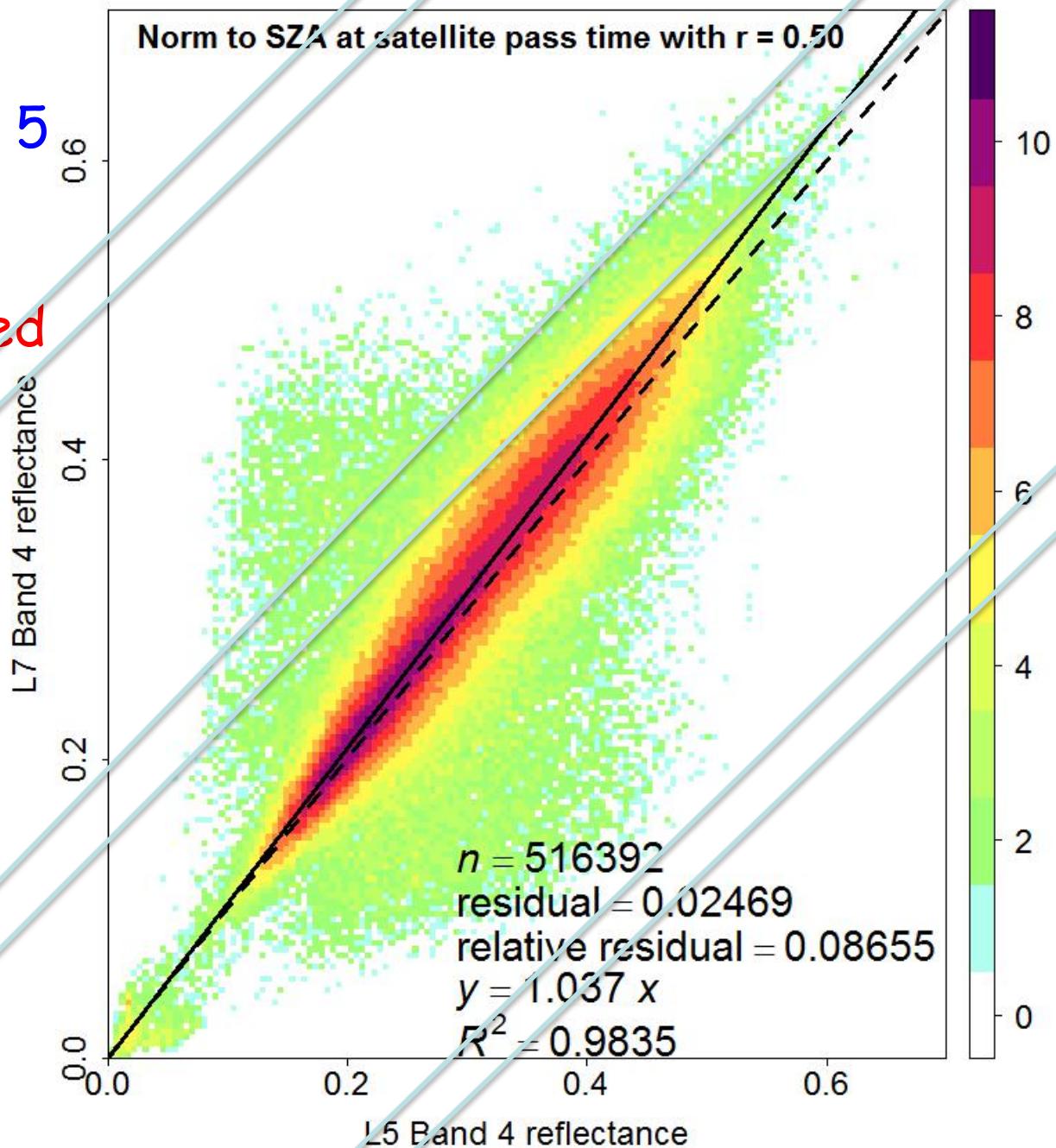
Scatterplot of Landsat 7 vs Landsat 5 NIR surface reflectance

516,392 overlapping
Landsat 5 & 7 pixels
(found by considering
every 40th WELD tile
non-cloudy pixel
across the CONUS)



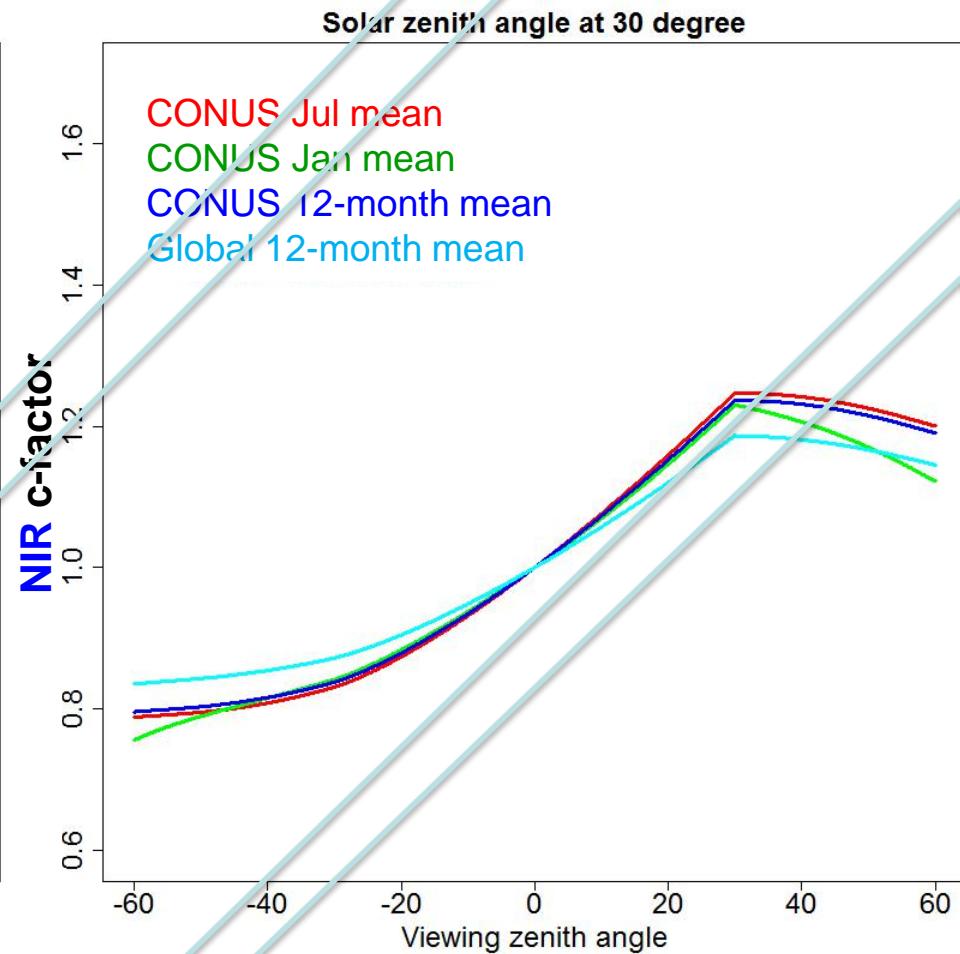
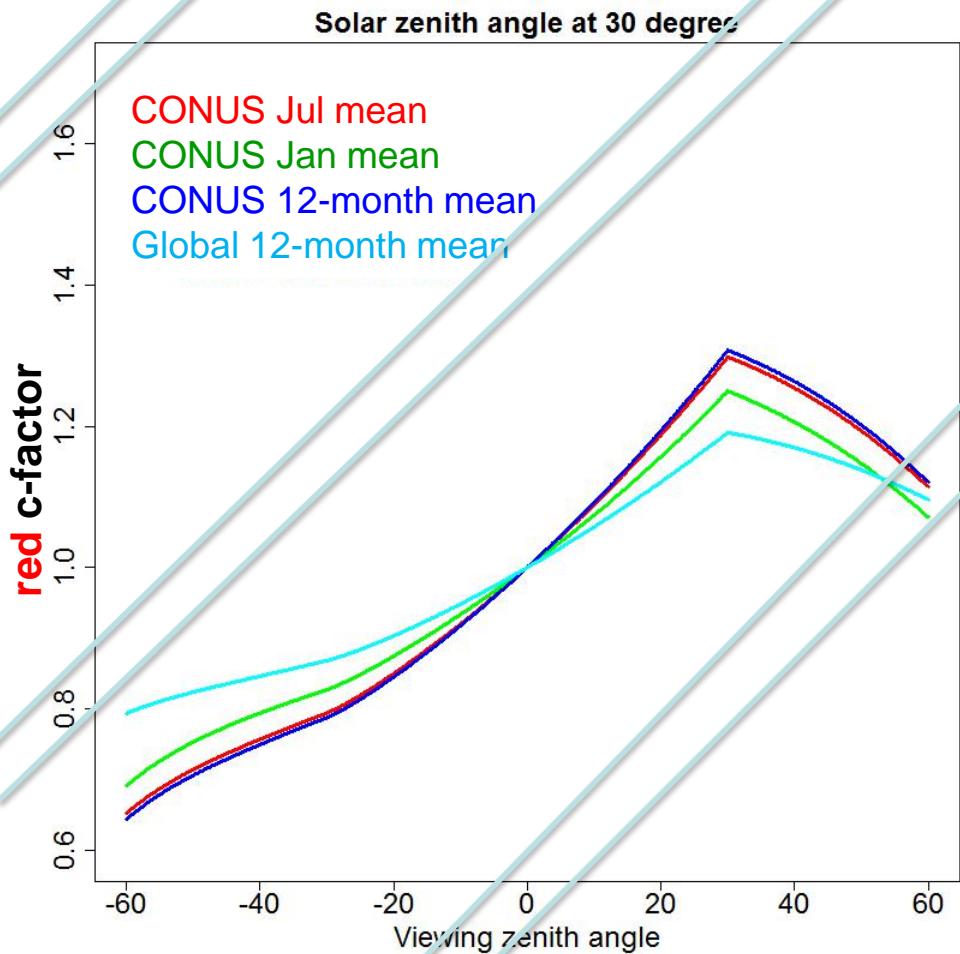
Scatterplot of
Landsat 7 vs Landsat 5
MODIS MCD43
BRDF parameter
climatology normalized
to nadir &
satellite overpass
solar zenith
NIR surface
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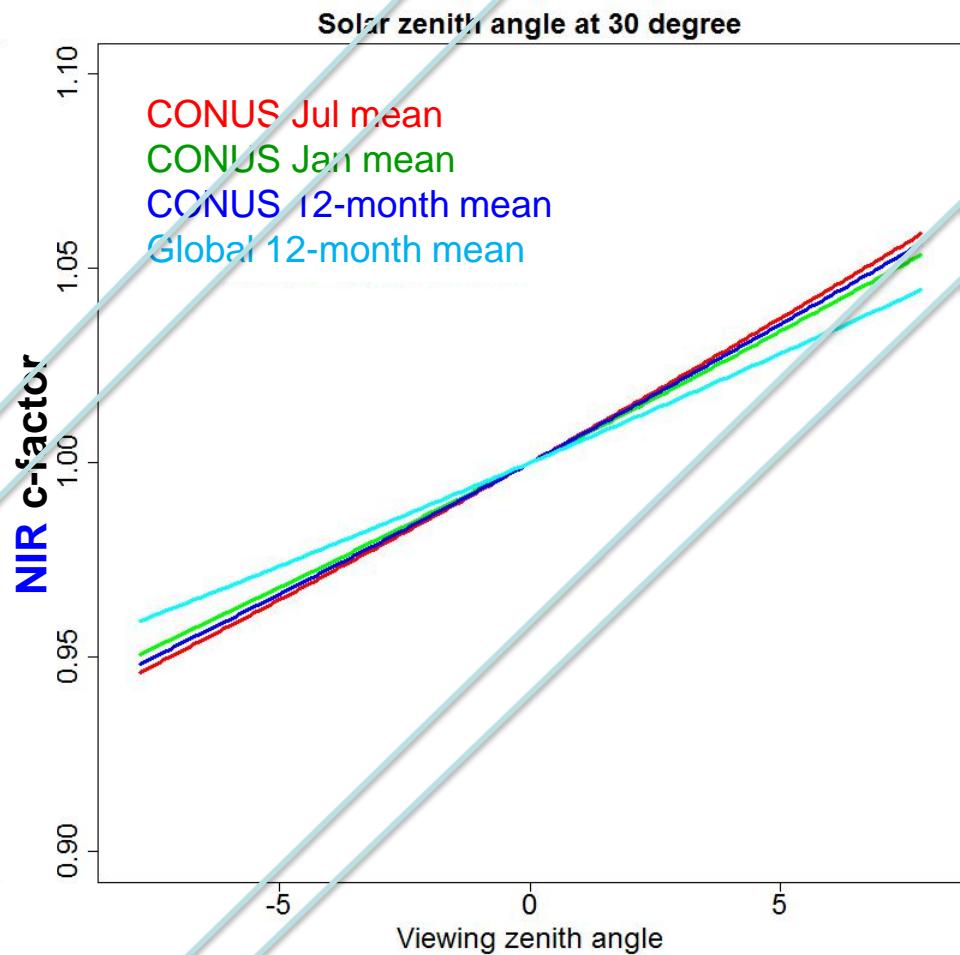
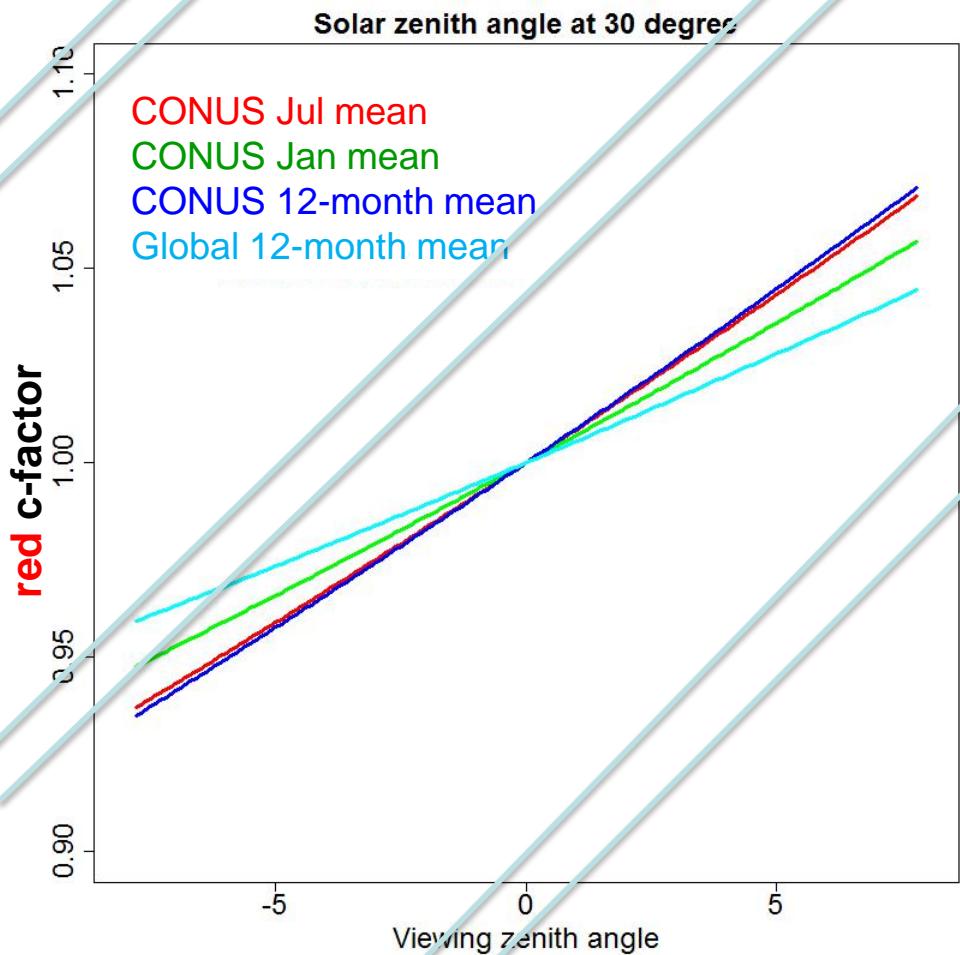
c-factors over MODIS 110° FOV

$$\rho(\lambda, \Omega, \Omega') = f_{iso}(\lambda) + f_{vol}(\lambda)k_{vol}(\Omega, \Omega') + f_{geo}(\lambda)k_{geo}(\Omega, \Omega')$$



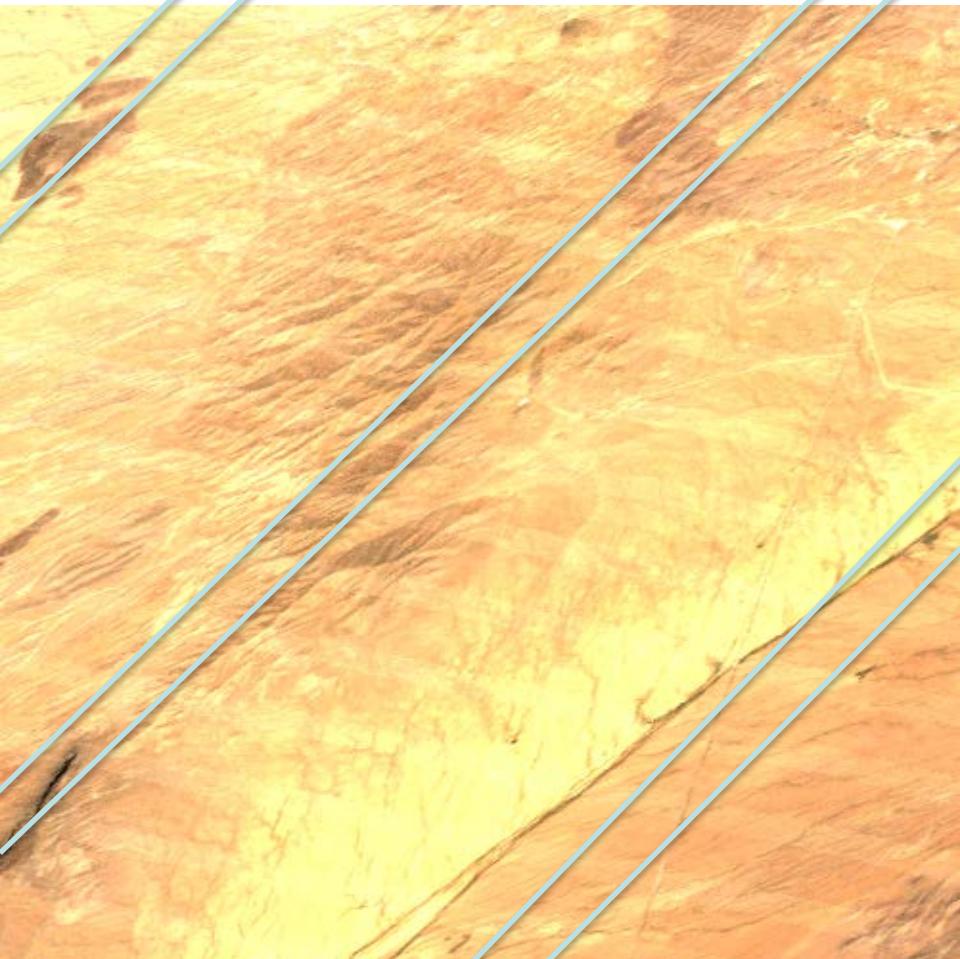
c-factors over Landsat 15° FOV

(similar over Sentinel-2 20.6° FOV)

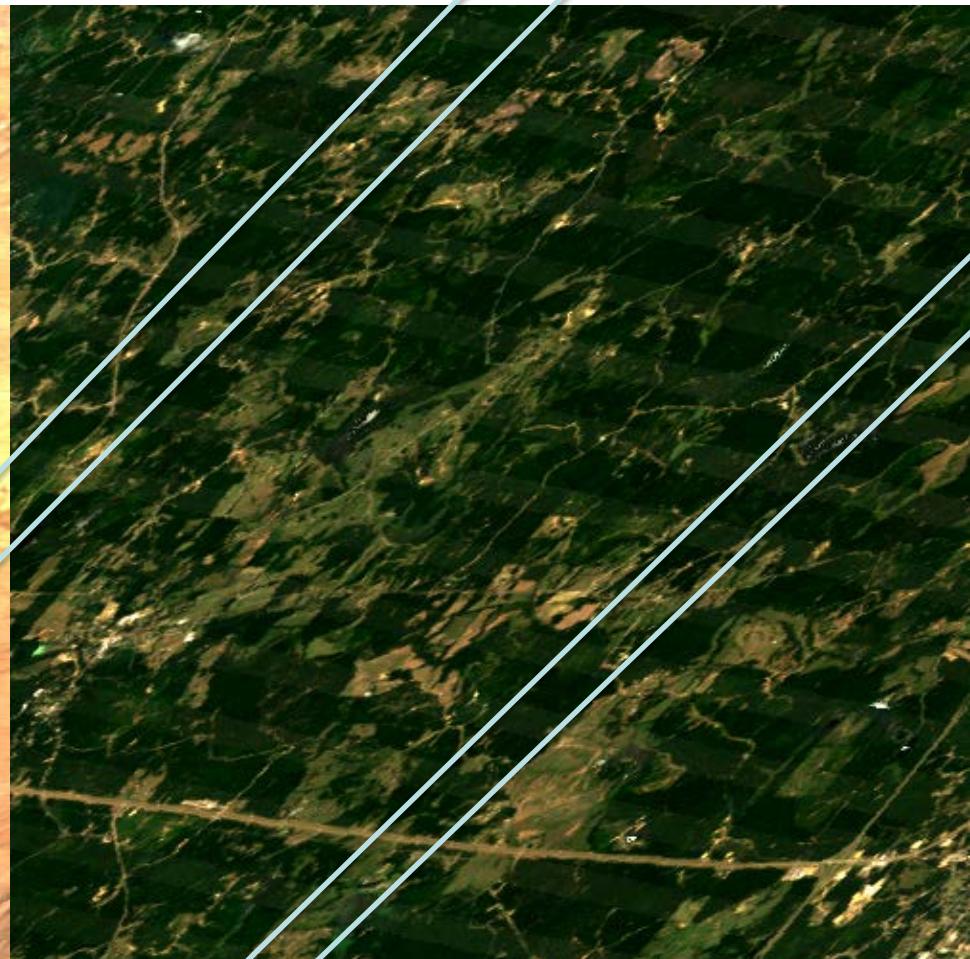


WELD Landsat 5 & 7 surface reflectance

Version 3.0 one week composite



Arizona
500 x 500 30m pixels

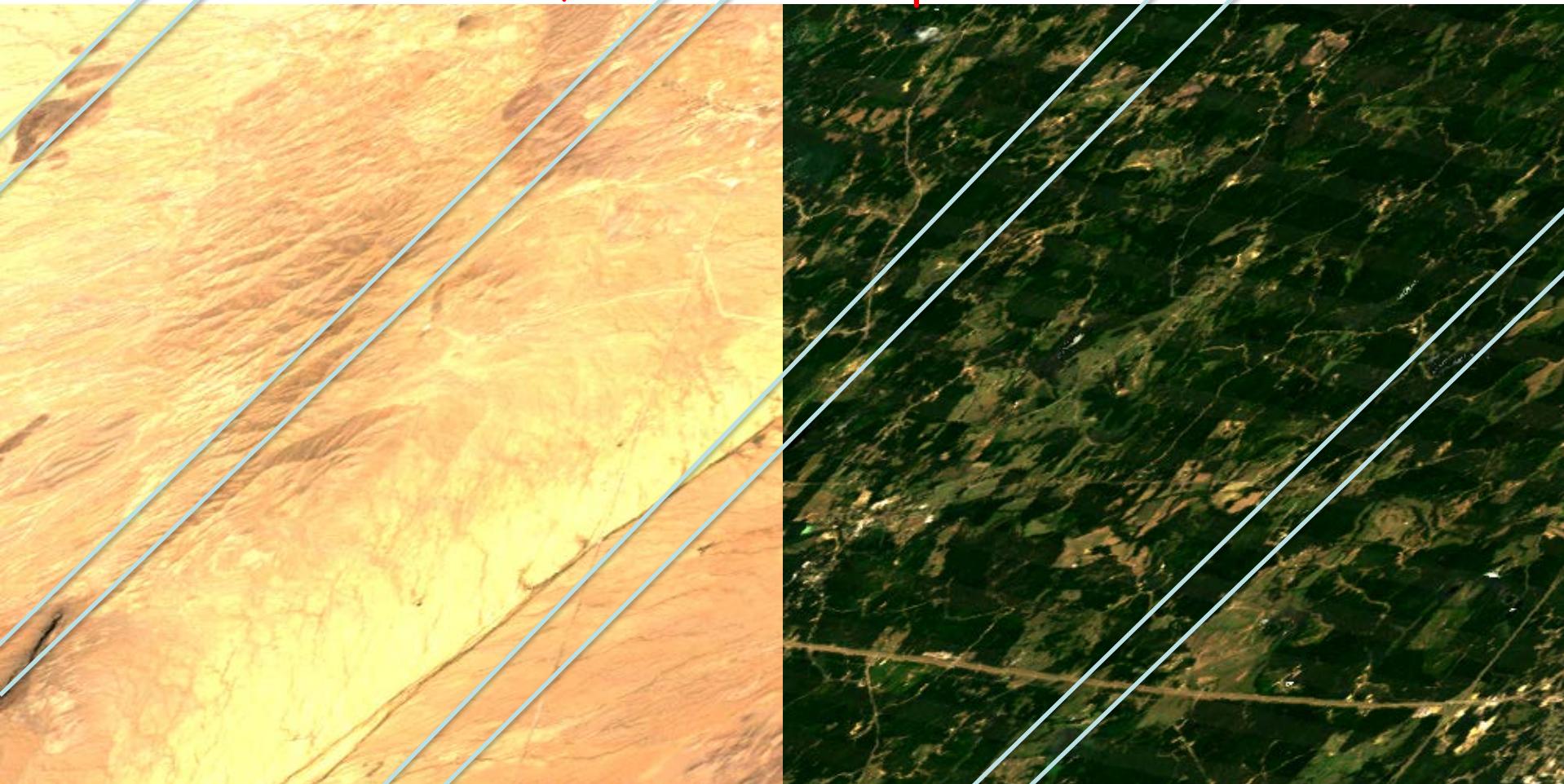


Mississippi

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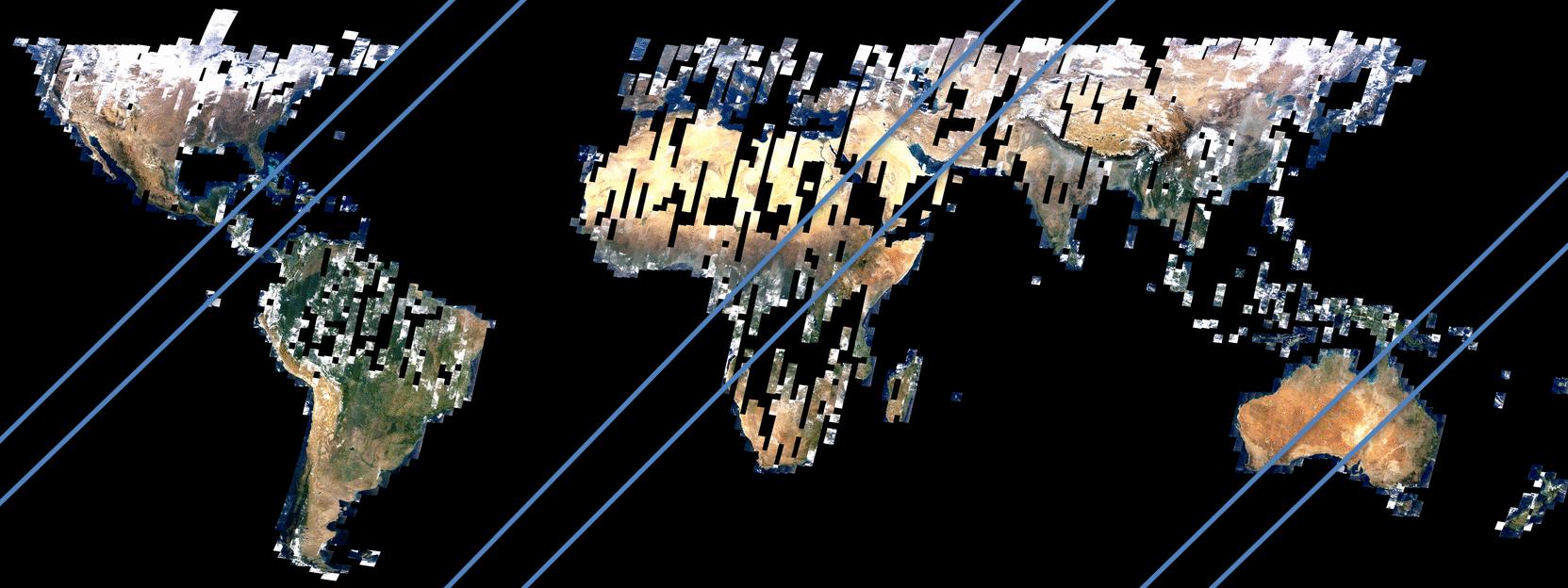
NBAR (global 12-month 3 mean MDC43 model parameters)
nadir view zenith , satellite overpass time solar zenith



Arizona
500 x 500 30m pixels

Mississippi

3 Years global 30m monthly & annual WELD Version 2.2 products now available



30m Global WELD NEX

Month 12 2008

Reprocessed Version 3.0
will be available
this Summer

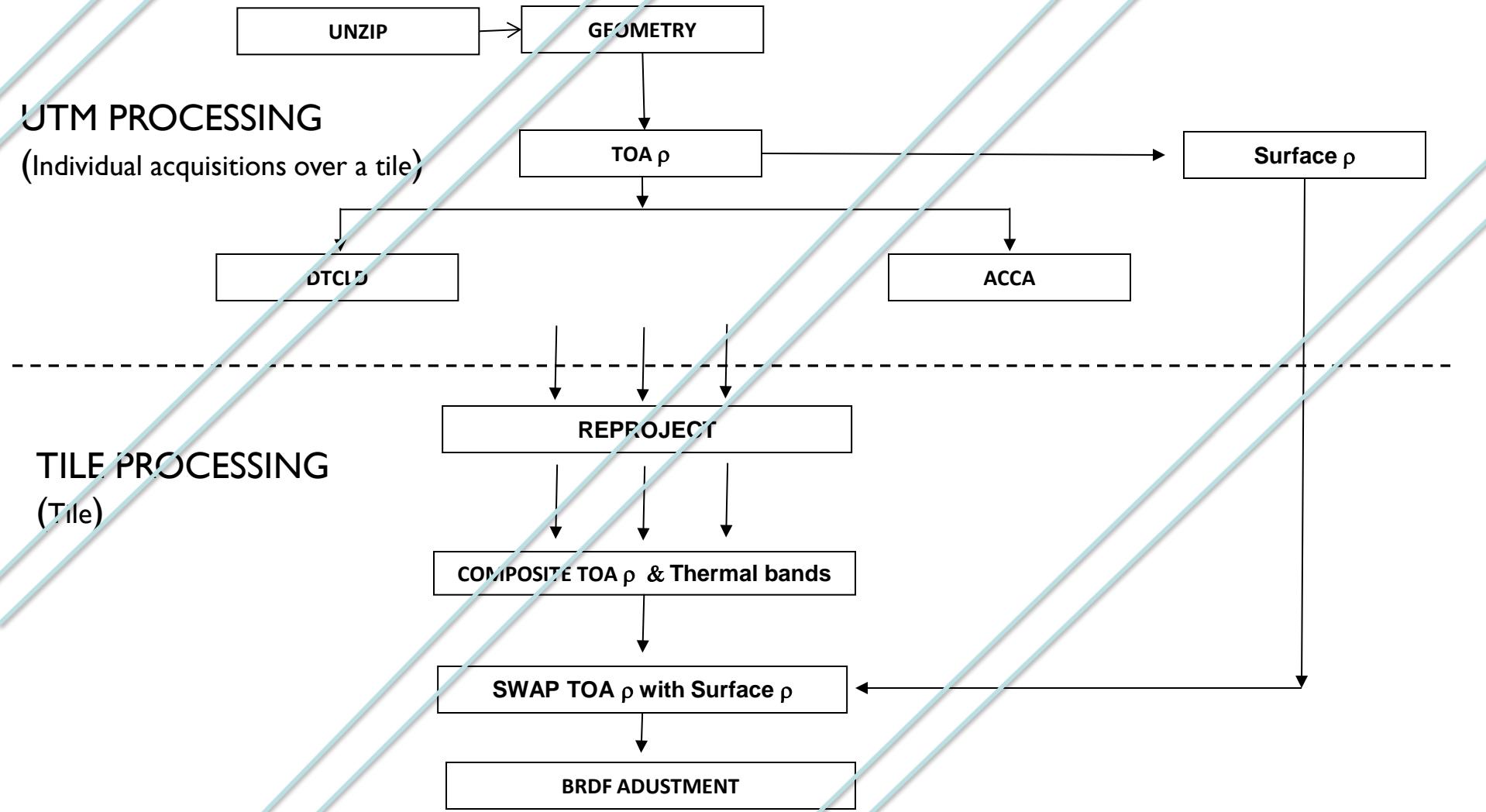
GeoTiff format products: <http://globalweld.cr.usgs.gov>

HDF format products: <http://globalweld.cr.usgs.gov/collections>

Global Version 3.0 WELD processing sequence

Will work to generate

- similar but separate L8 and S2 gridded products
- combined L8-S2 gridded products (more research needed)



Earth Observation in the Sentinel Era

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Joint Annual Conference
8-11 September 2015**

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University of Southampton



Key Dates

- Abstract submission deadline : 1st May
- Notification of abstract acceptance : 1st June
- Submission of full paper (maximum 4 pages) : 1st September
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- Final registration deadline : 3rd September
- Workshop proposal deadline : 1st May

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