

Remote Sensing for Disaster

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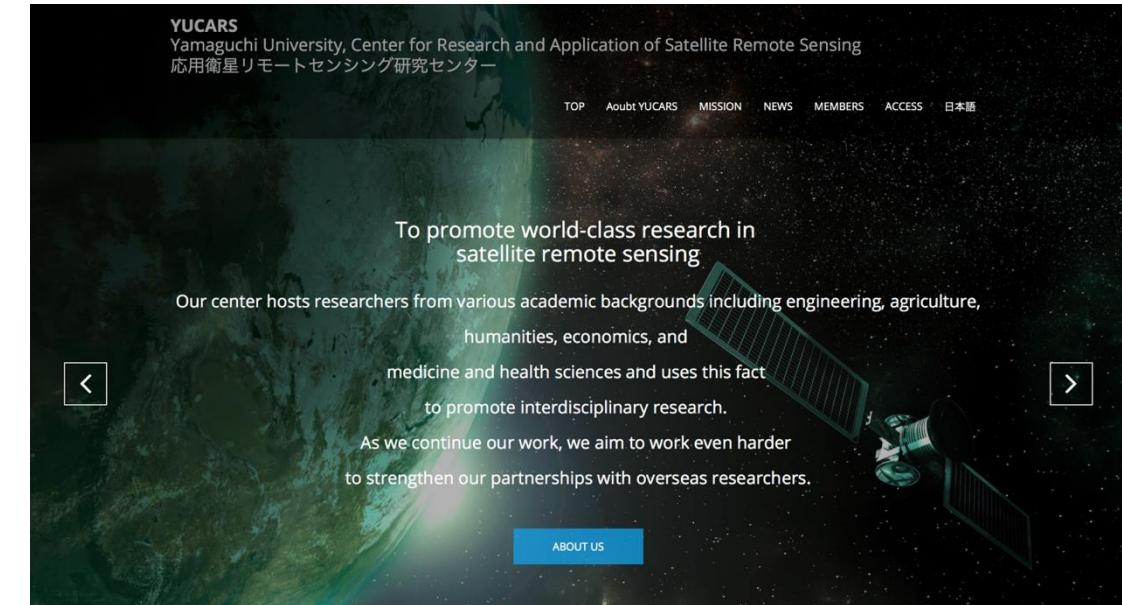
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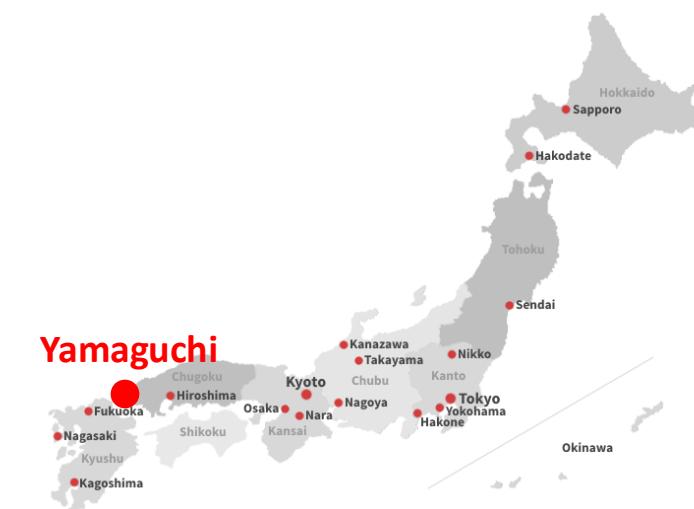
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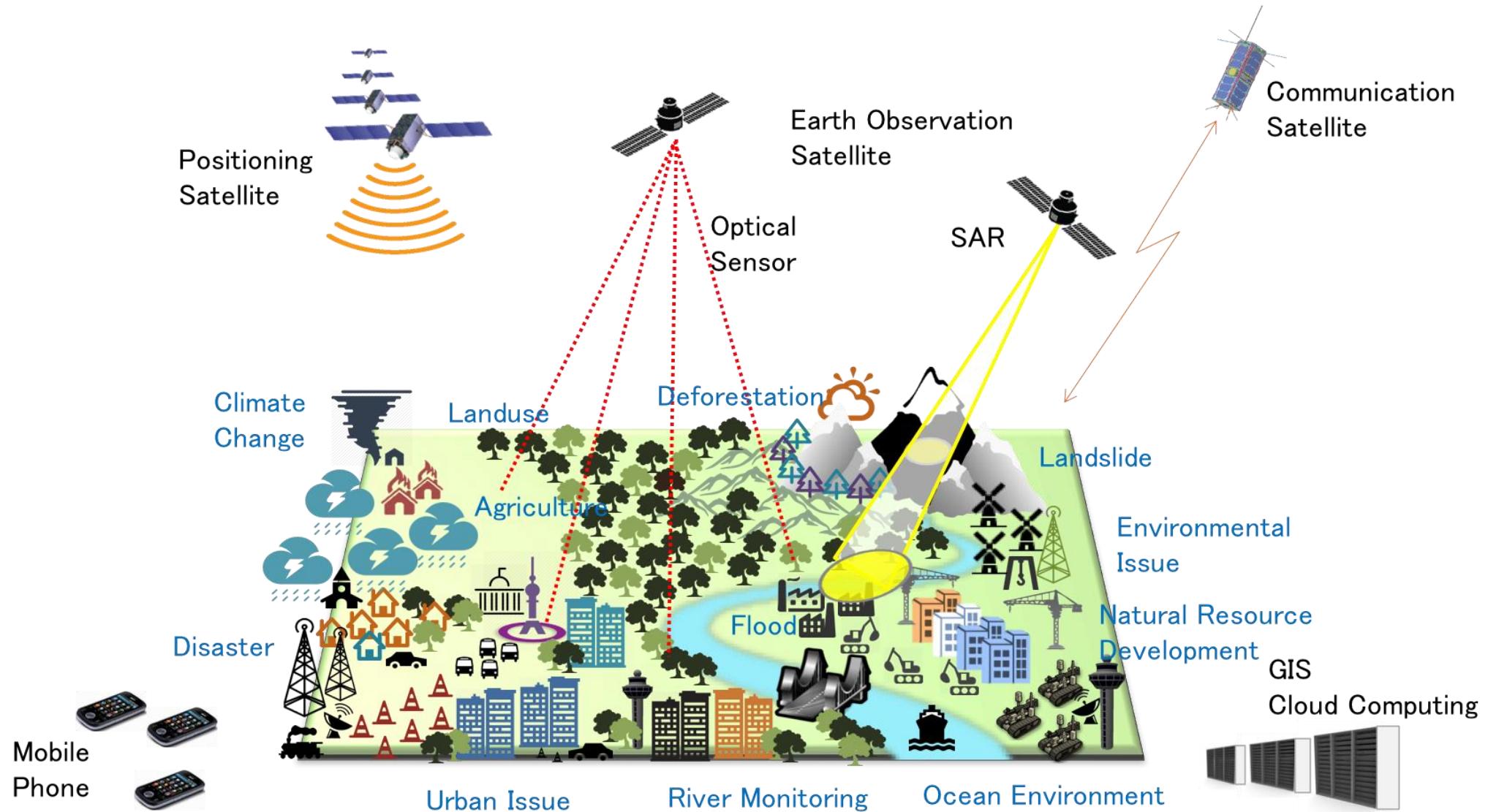
The screenshot shows the homepage of the YUCARS website. At the top, the logo 'YUCARS' is displayed, followed by the text 'Yamaguchi University, Center for Research and Application of Satellite Remote Sensing' and '応用衛星リモートセンシング研究センター'. A navigation bar includes links for TOP, About YUCARS, MISSION, NEWS, MEMBERS, ACCESS, and 日本語. The main content area features a background image of Earth from space with a satellite. Text on the right side reads: 'To promote world-class research in satellite remote sensing', 'Our center hosts researchers from various academic backgrounds including engineering, agriculture, humanities, economics, and medicine and health sciences and uses this fact to promote interdisciplinary research.', and 'As we continue our work, we aim to work even harder to strengthen our partnerships with overseas researchers.' A blue 'ABOUT US' button is located at the bottom right of the text area.

http://yucars.eng.yamaguchi-u.ac.jp/index_e.html

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Integration of Space and Society

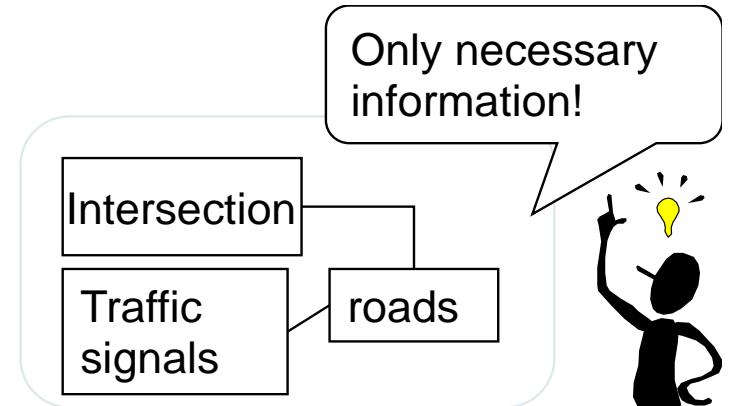


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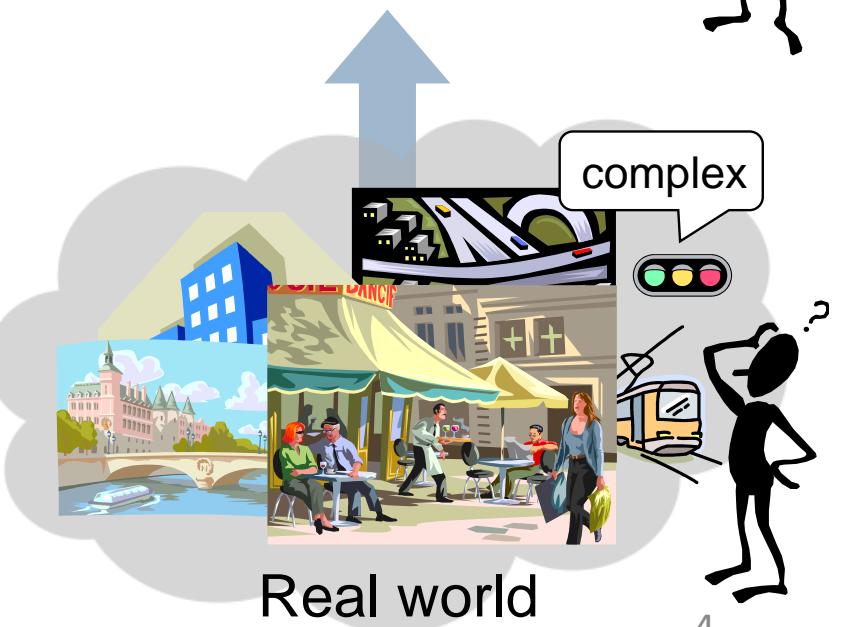
Real spatial world



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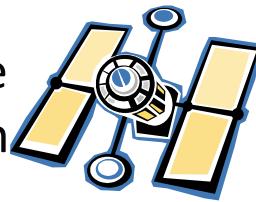
In focusing road traffic



What is Remote Sensing?

Tools for Data Acquisition

Earth Observation Satellite
500~600 km



Satellite Satellite Remote Sensing

Airplane, Helicopter
few 100m ~ 6000m



Drone
few 10 ~ 200 m



Ground
Observation
0 m

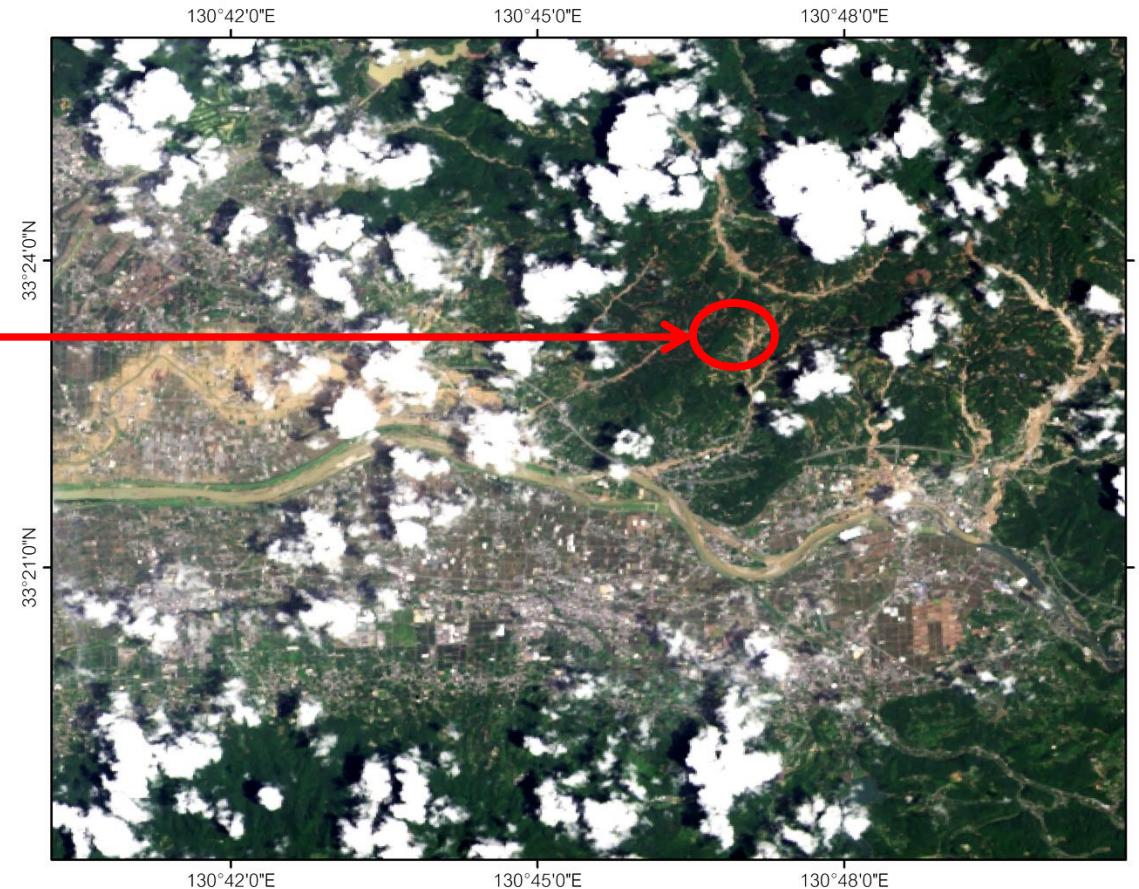


Tools for Data Acquisition



Ground Observation © Masahiko Nagai

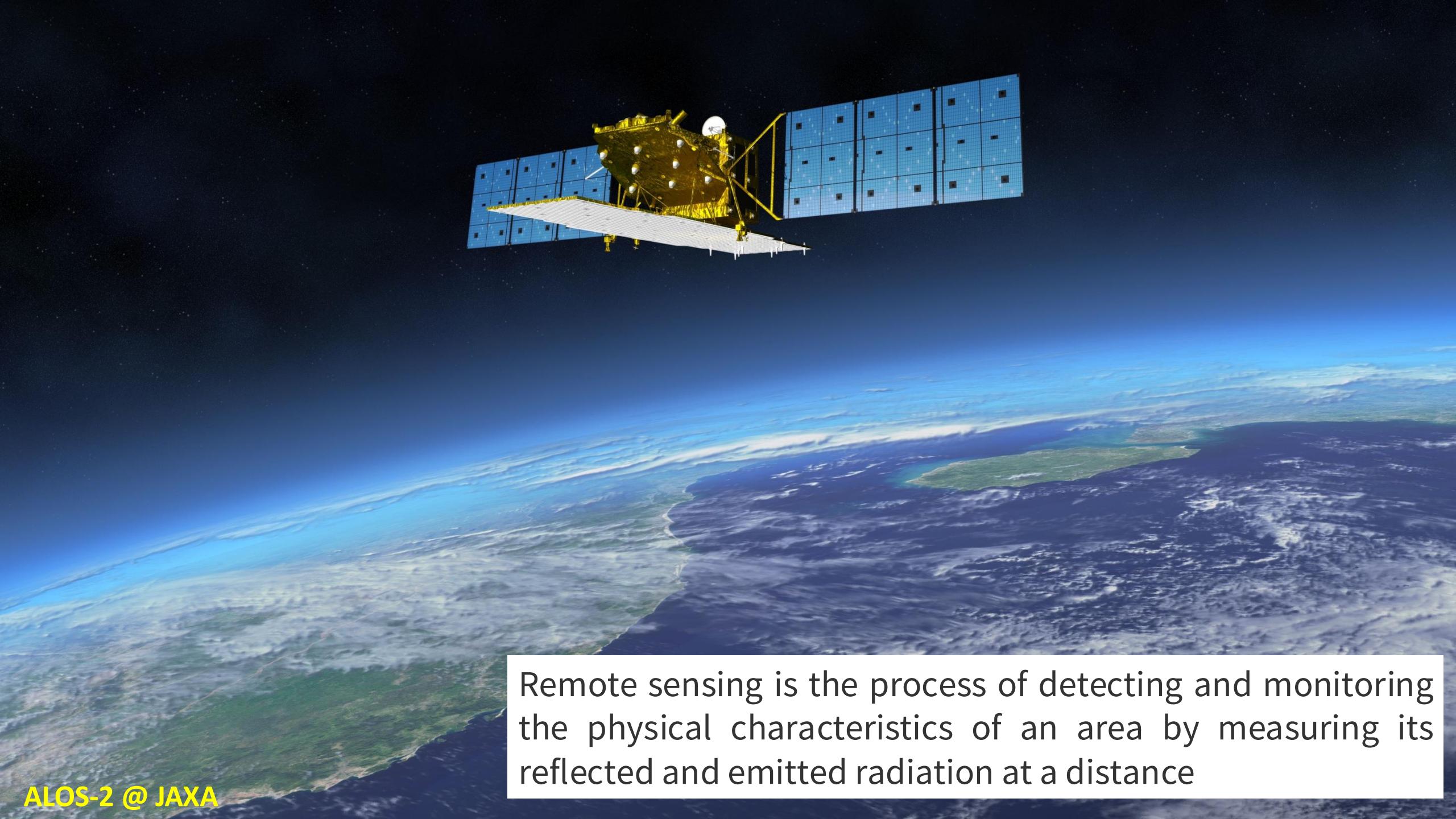
Drone
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Earth Observation Satellite
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Tools for Data Acquisition

	Quickness	Observation Coverage	Details	Reliability	Easy to Understand	Weather	Applicability	Risk
Ground Observation	○	×	○	○	○	×	○	×
Drone	○	△	○	○	○	×	△	×
Airplane Helicopter	△	○	○	○	○	△	△	○
Satellite Remote Sensing	△	○	△	△	△	○	○	○



Remote sensing is the process of detecting and monitoring the physical characteristics of an area by measuring its reflected and emitted radiation at a distance



AXELSPACE

Coverage: more than 50 x 50 km²



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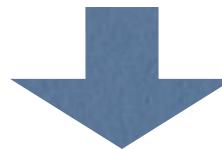
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What is Remote Sensing?

Remote Sensing



Something you want to know

Find out

- Water, snow, cloud
- Forests, urban
- Crops
- Minerals
- Land-cover changes

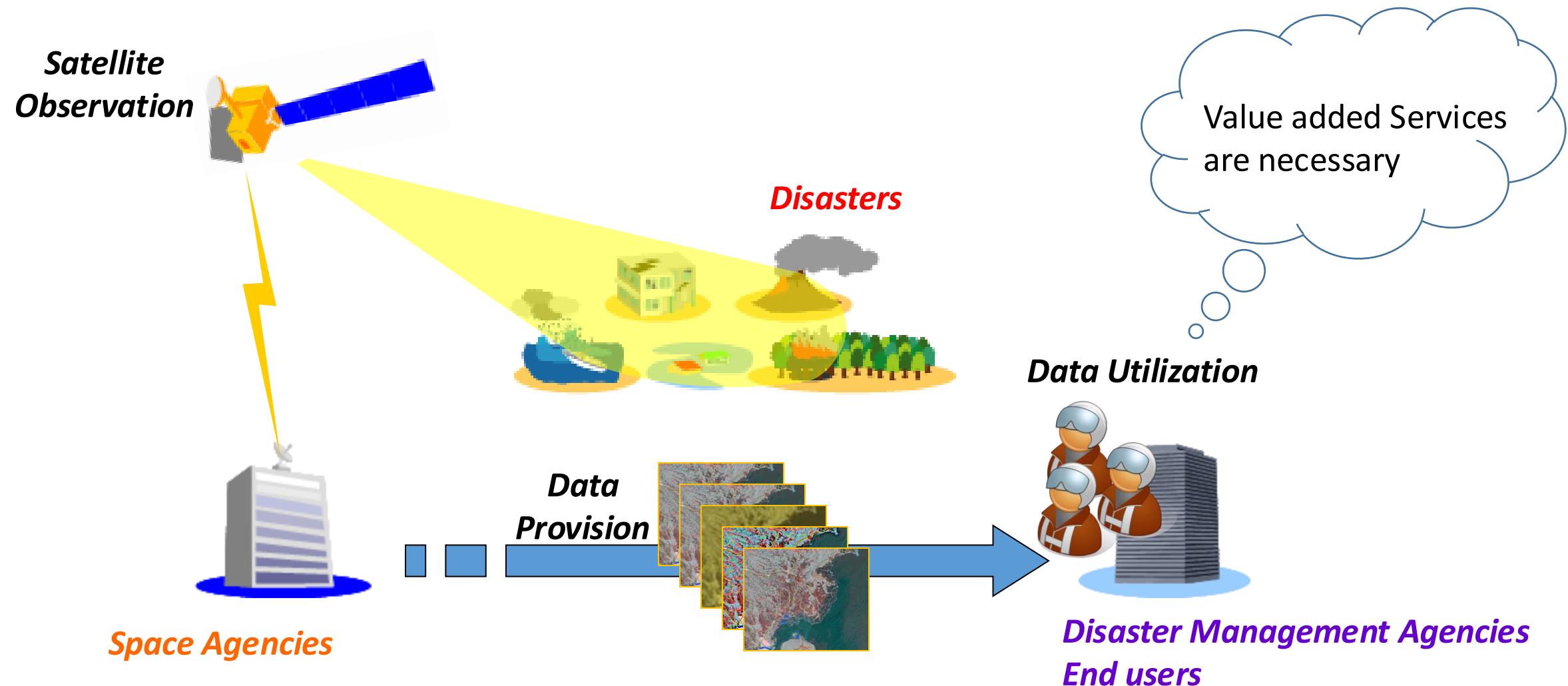
Measure

- Size, distance
- Area
- Biomass
- Temperate

Make

- Topographic map
- Feature map
- 3D model

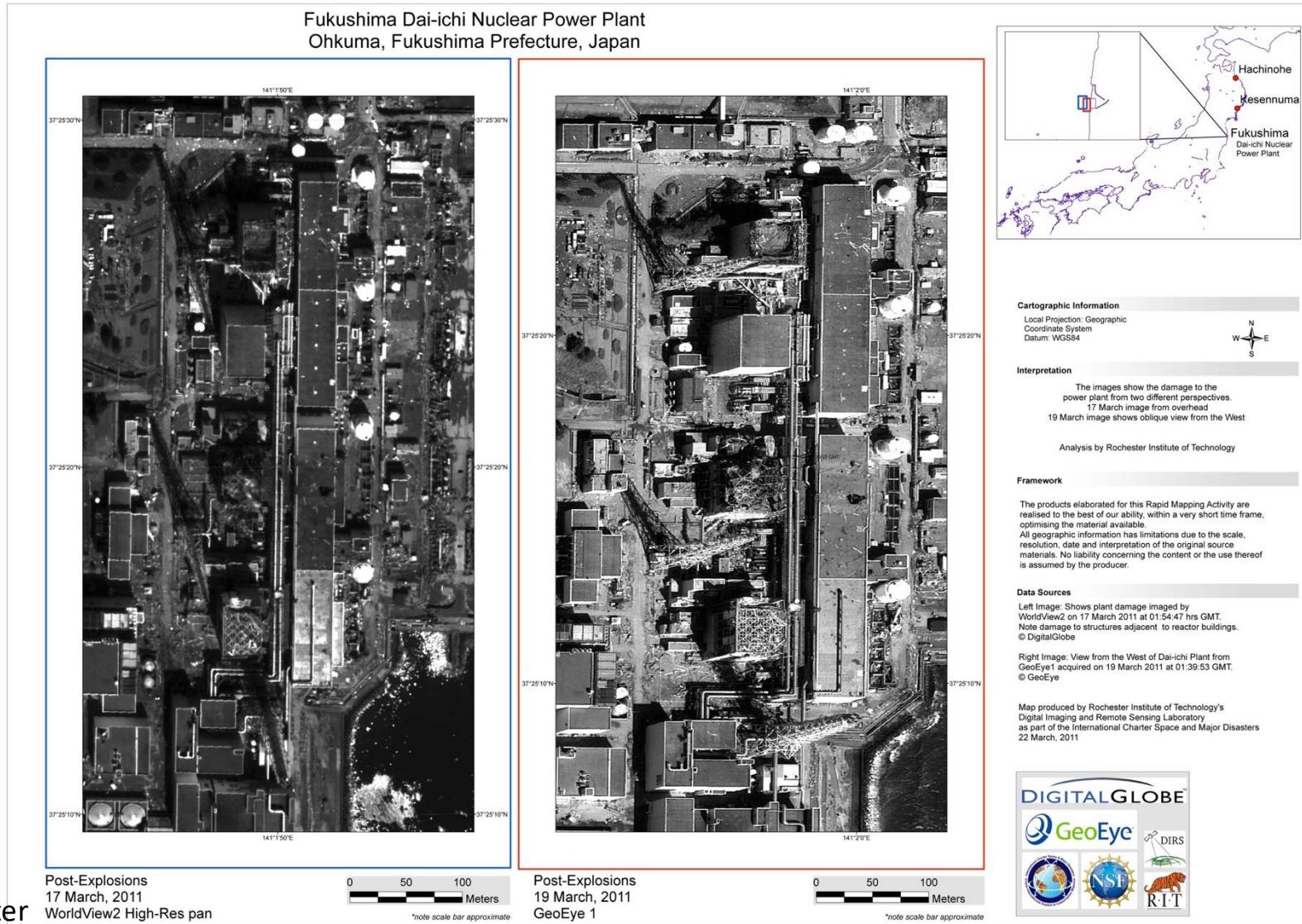
Disaster Monitoring by Satellite Remote Sensing



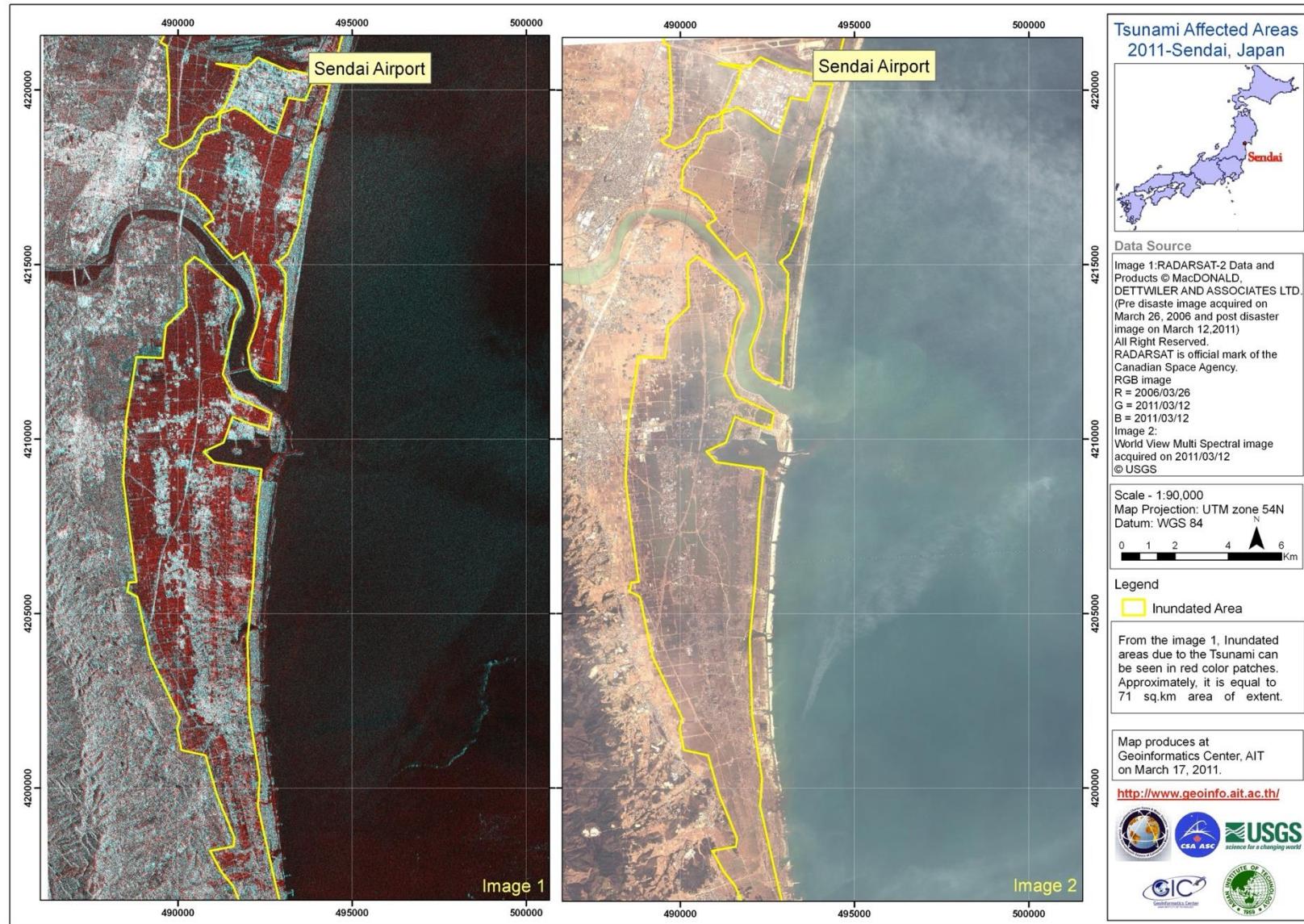
Characteristics of Remote Sensing

- ① Enables us to know the condition without visiting the area.
- ② Enables to observe broad area at a time.
- ③ Enables us to know invisible information.
- ④ Enables to observe the area for a long period.

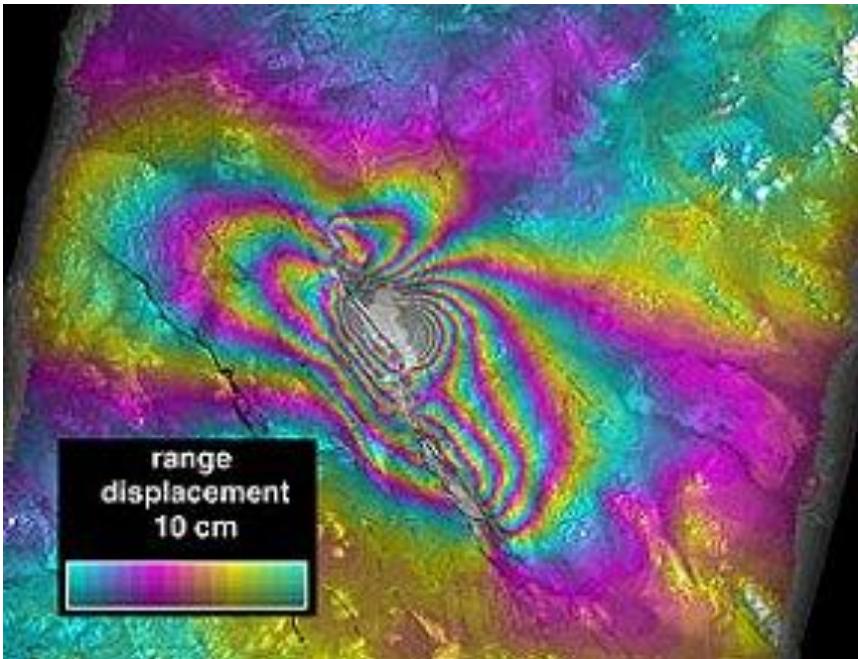
To know the condition without visiting the area



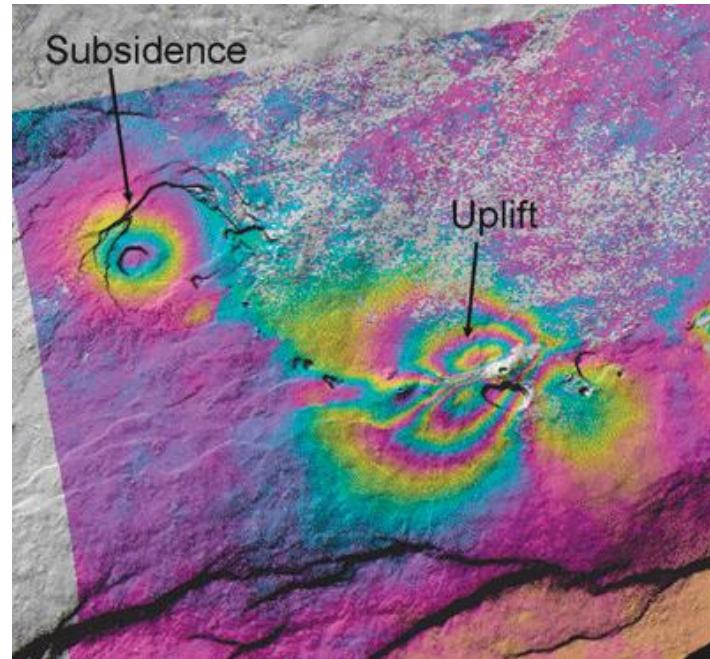
To observe broad area at a time



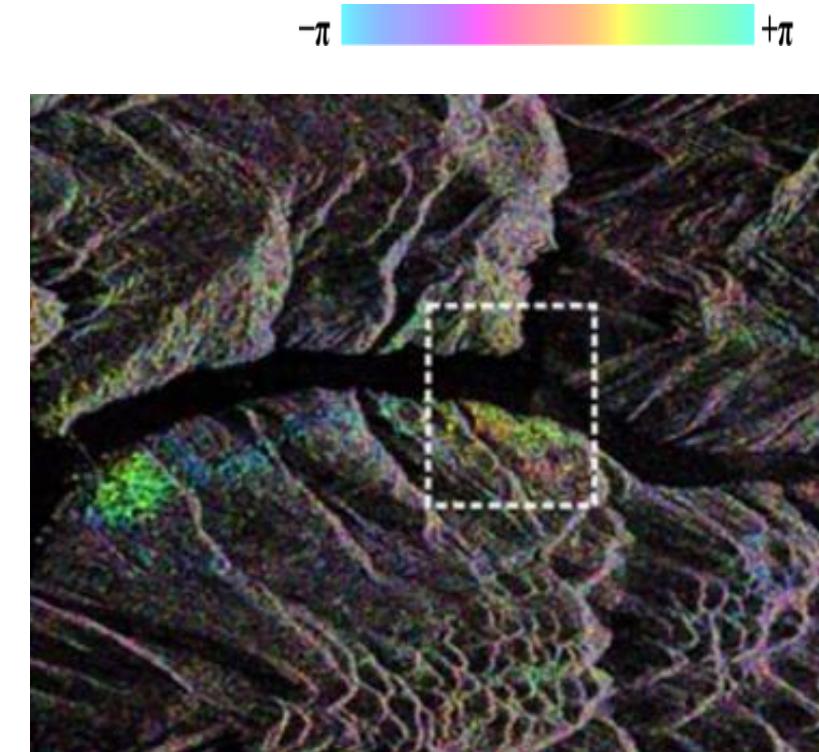
To know invisible information



InSAR monitor fault Hector Mine earthquake in 1999 (© NASA)

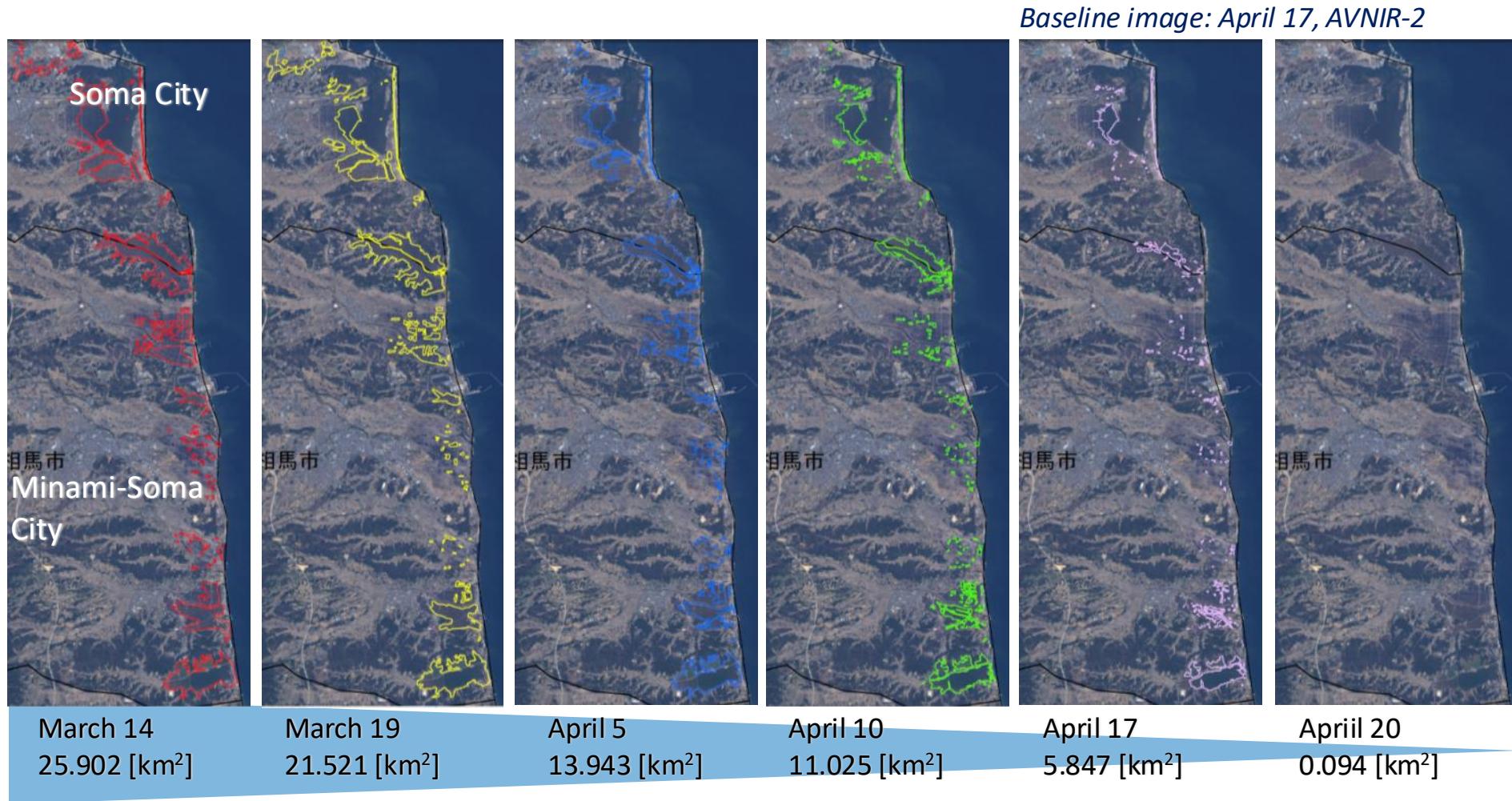


Uplift and subsidence associated with a June 2007 earthquake swarm on Kilauea Volcano (Zhong Lu, USGS., 2007)



Landslide Deformations in Three Gorges Area (Tantianuparp et al., 2013)

To observe the area for a long period

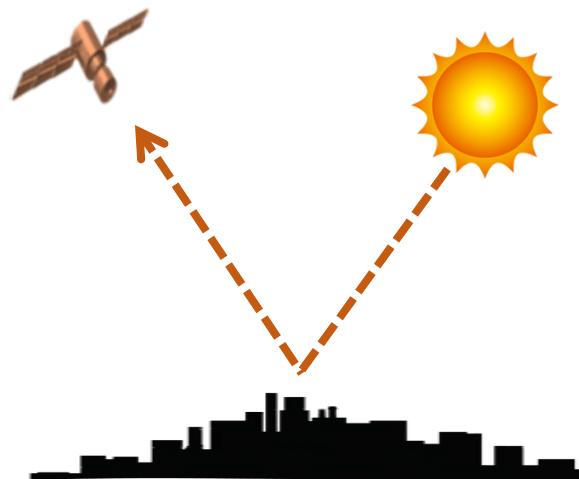


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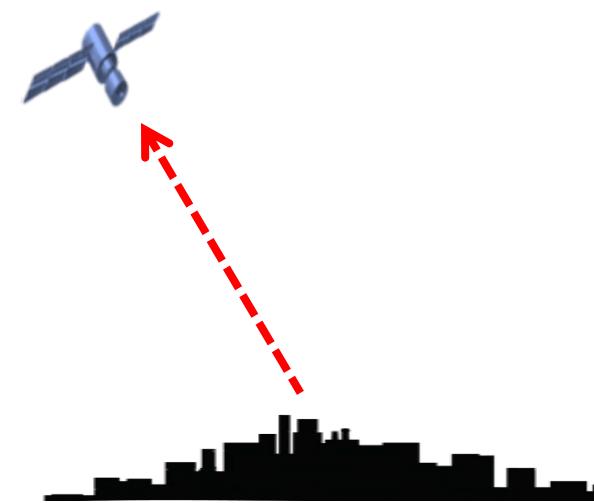
- It is necessary to use complementally / mutually, ground survey, Drone, airplane, and Satellite.
- It is very important to understand advantages of remote sensing.

Type of Remote Sensing?

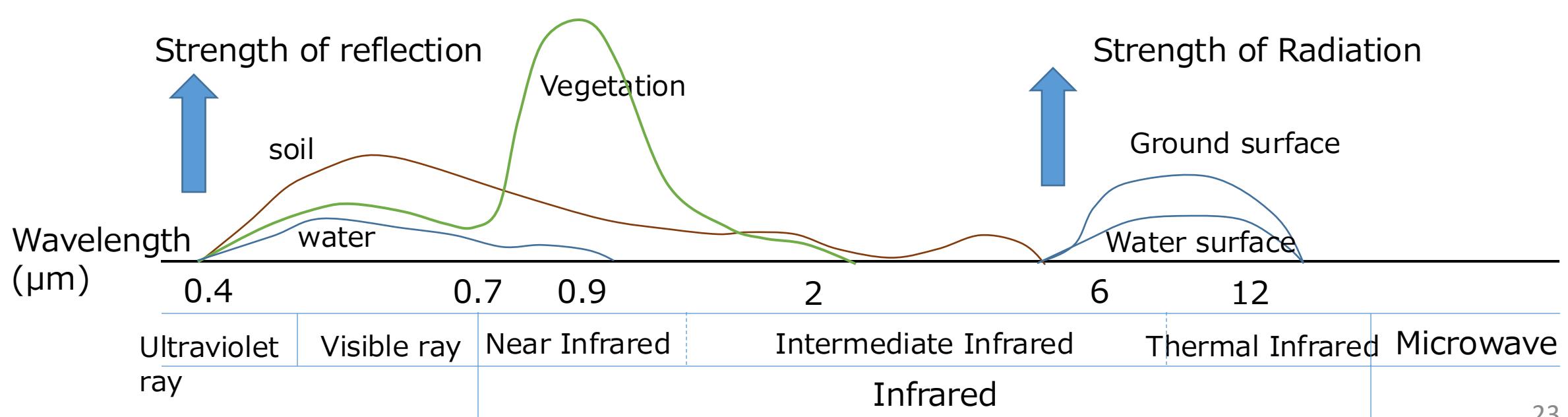
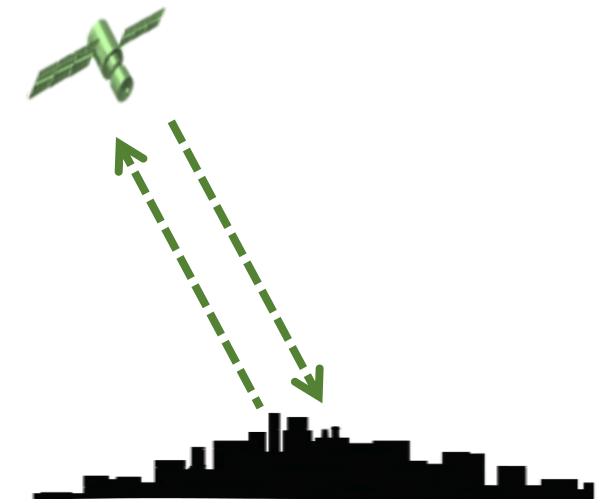
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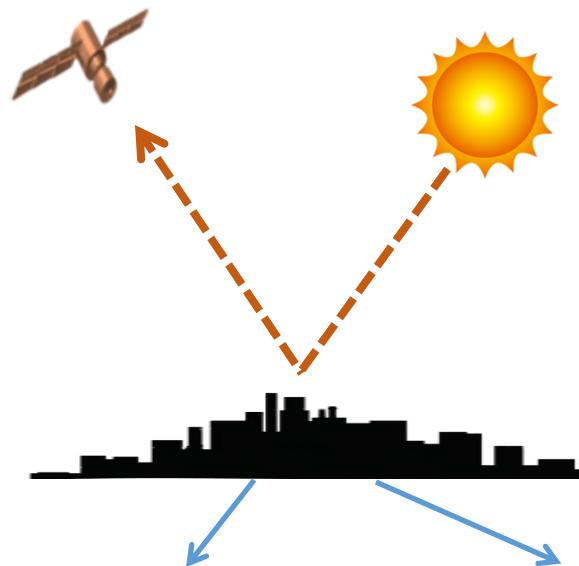
Thermal Remote Sensing



Microwave Remote Sensing



Optical Remote Sensing

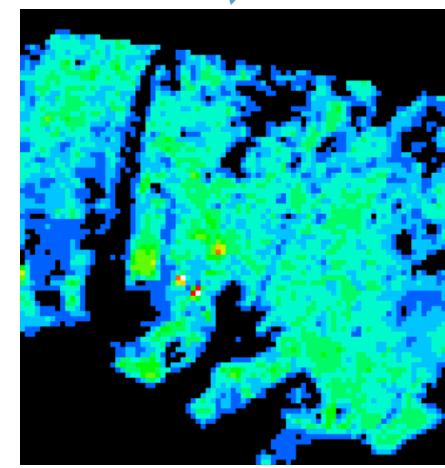
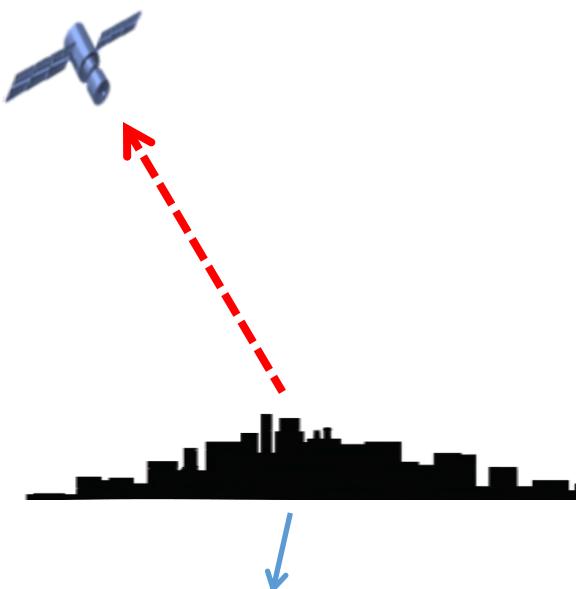


ALOS
(True Color Image)



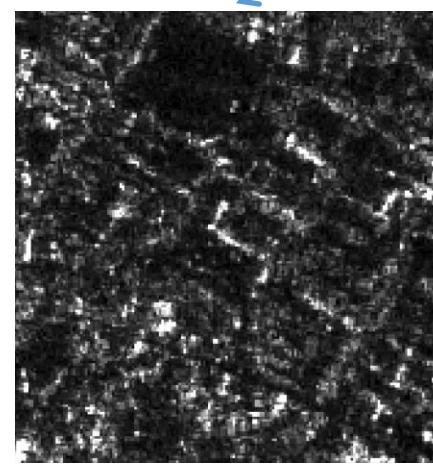
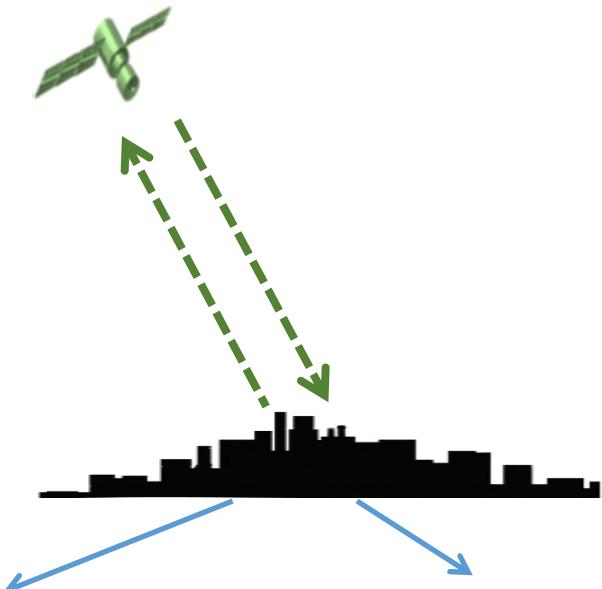
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(False Color Image)

Thermal Remote Sensing

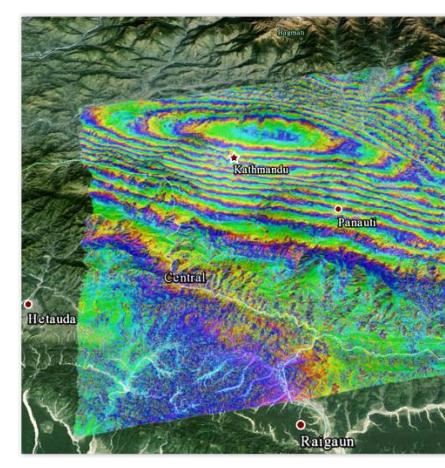


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(Thermal Image)

Microwave Remote Sensing



ALOS-2
(SAR Image(Amplitude))



ALOS-2
(SAR Image(Phase))

Optical Remote Sensing



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(True Color Image)

<Applications>

Landslide • Volcano

Flood • Tsunami

Building Damage

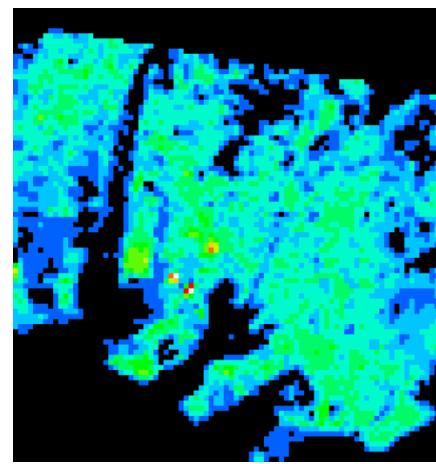
GRUS-1, PlanetScope

WorldView, Pleiades,

SPOT, Sentinel-2

ALOS-3

Thermal Remote Sensing



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<Applications>

Landslide

Volcano • Lava flow

Flood • Tsunami

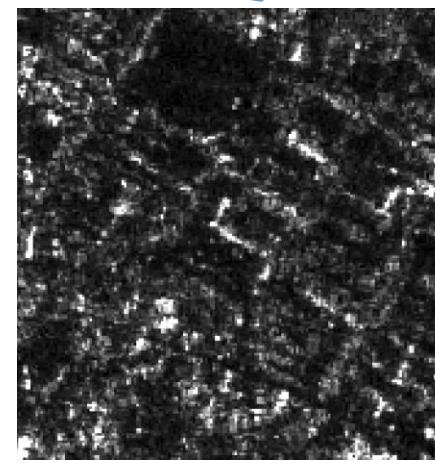
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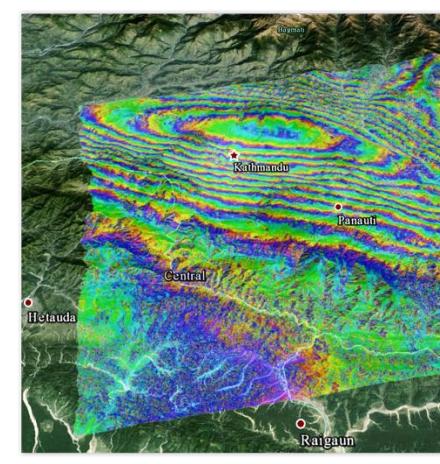
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Microwave Remote Sensing



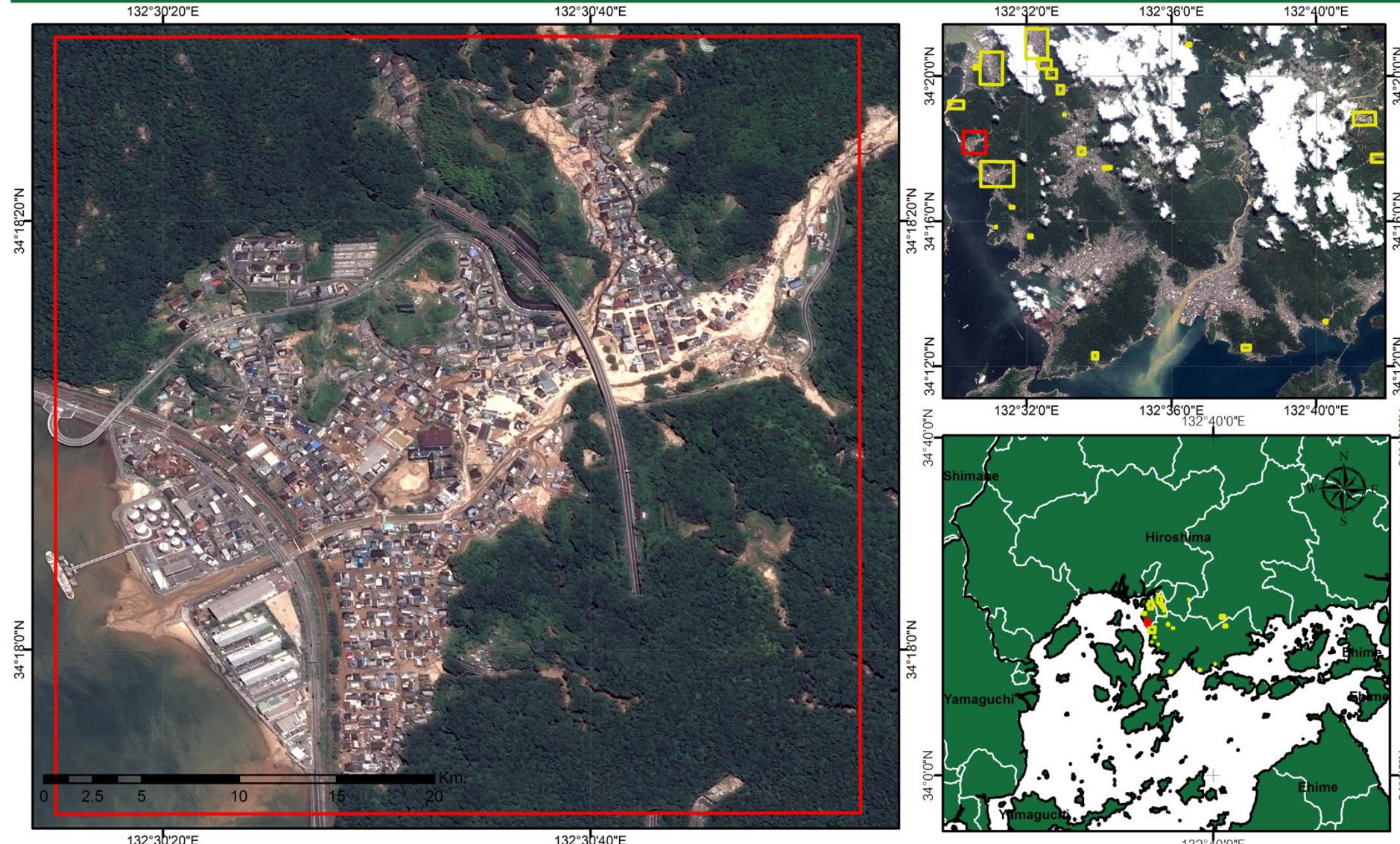
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(SAR Image(Amplitude))



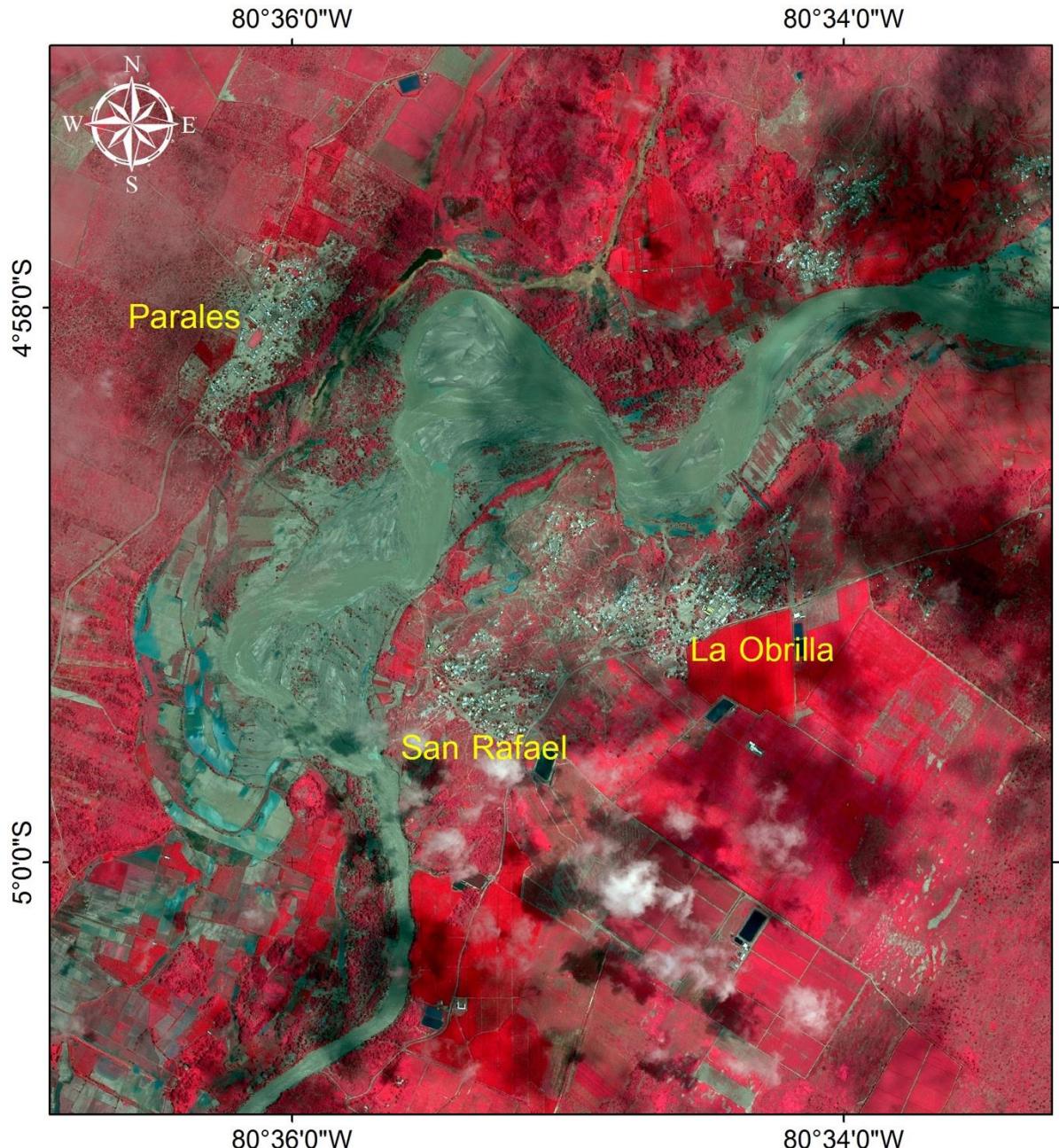
ALOS-2
(SAR Image(Phase))

(True Color Image)

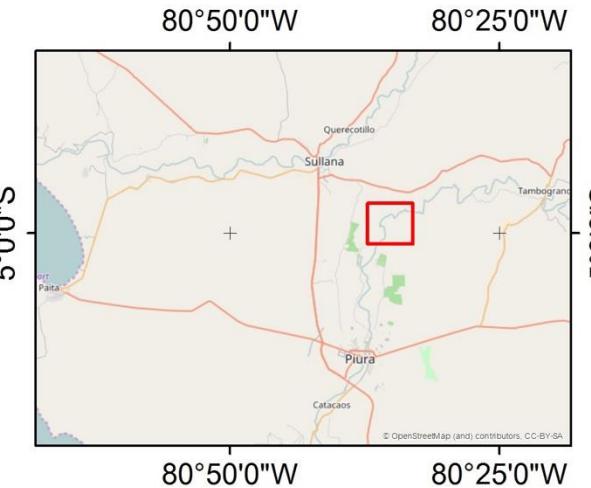
Flood and landslide affected areas in Hiroshima, Japan



(False Color Image)



Flood in Piura, Peru



Information:

The map shows area under water around San Rafael, La Obrilla and Parales in Piura region, Peru.

The map is shown in false color composite.

Map accuracy is not validated.

Data Source:

SPOT-6 (c) CNES 2017, distribution Spot Image S. A., all rights reserved.

Date of acquisition: 4 April 2017



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(Thermal Image)

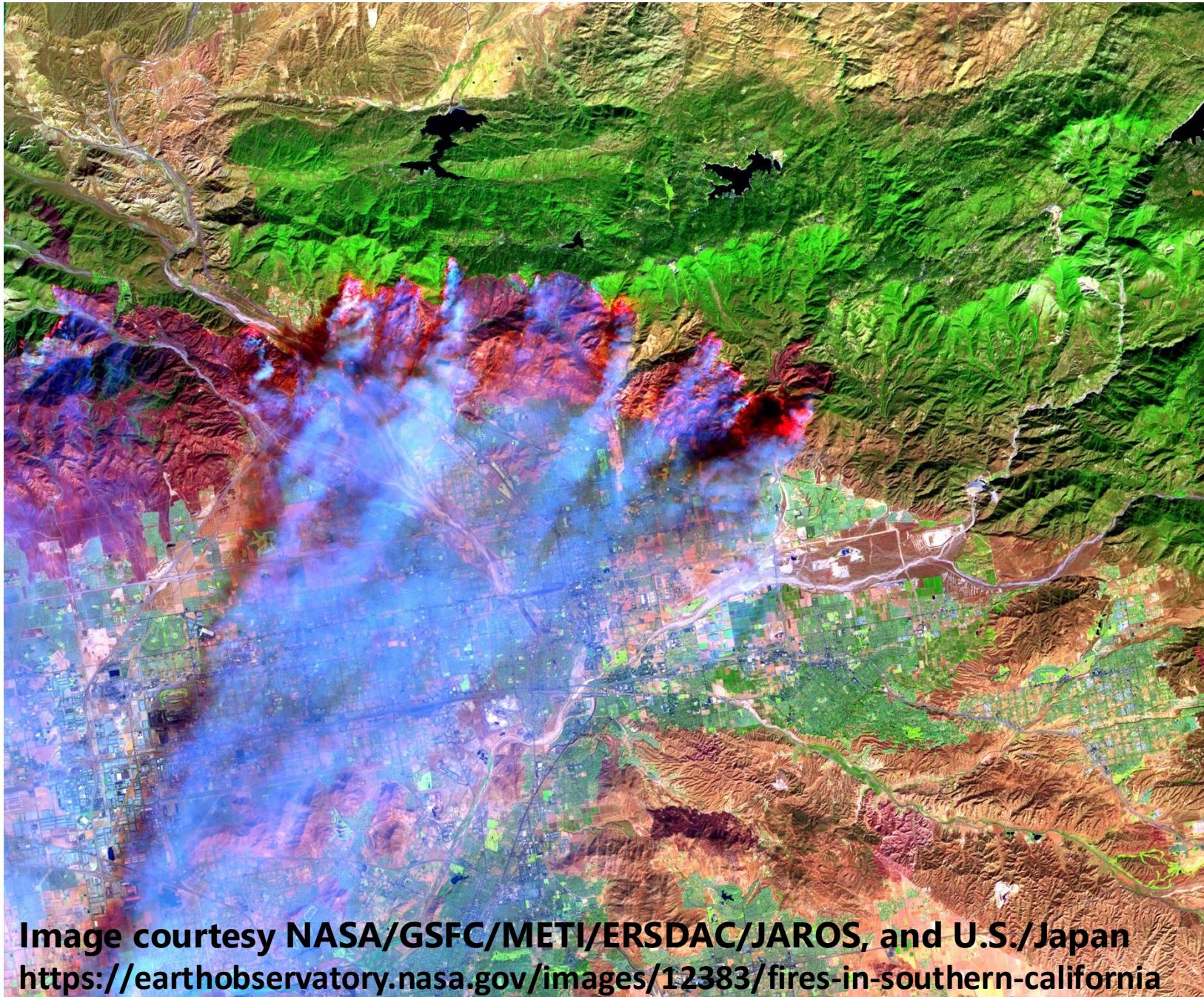
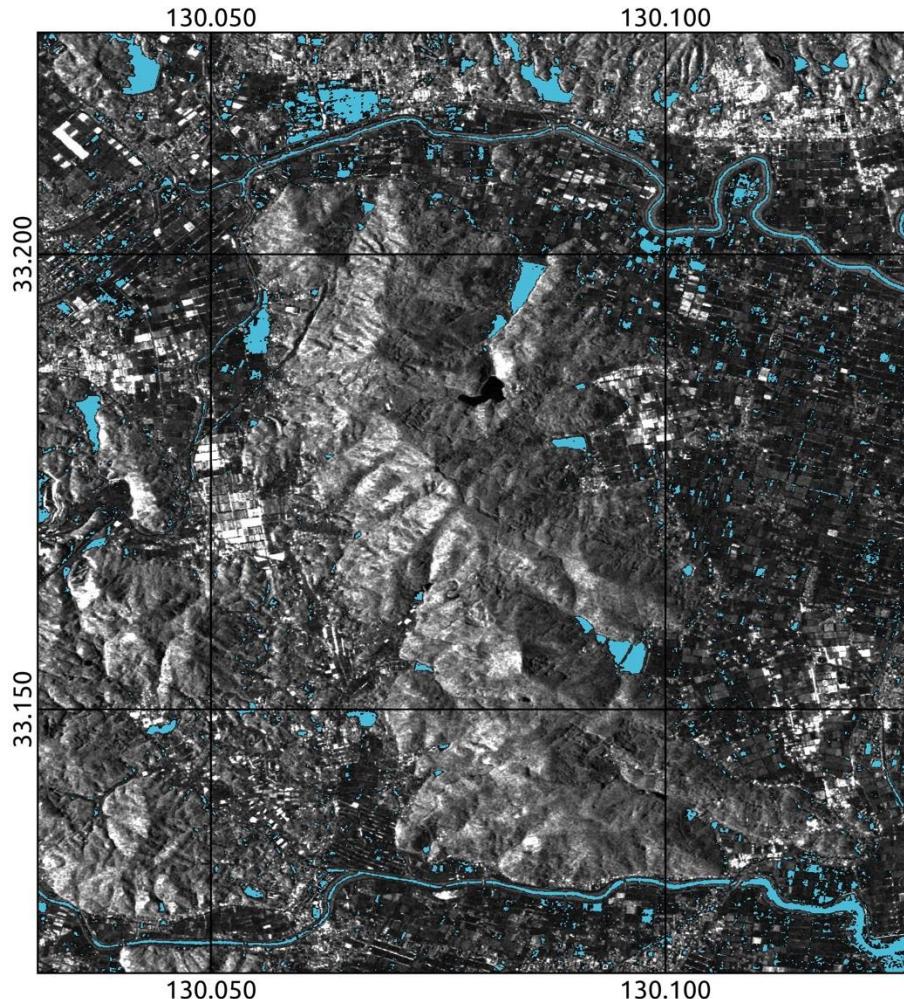


Image courtesy NASA/GSFC/METI/ERSDAC/JAROS, and U.S./Japan
<https://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/images/12383/fires-in-southern-california>

(SAR Image (Amplitude))

Detected water areas using ALOS-2/PALSAR-2 in Saga prefecture, Japan

ALOS-2 before flood (27 August 2019)



ALOS-2 during flood (28 August 2019)

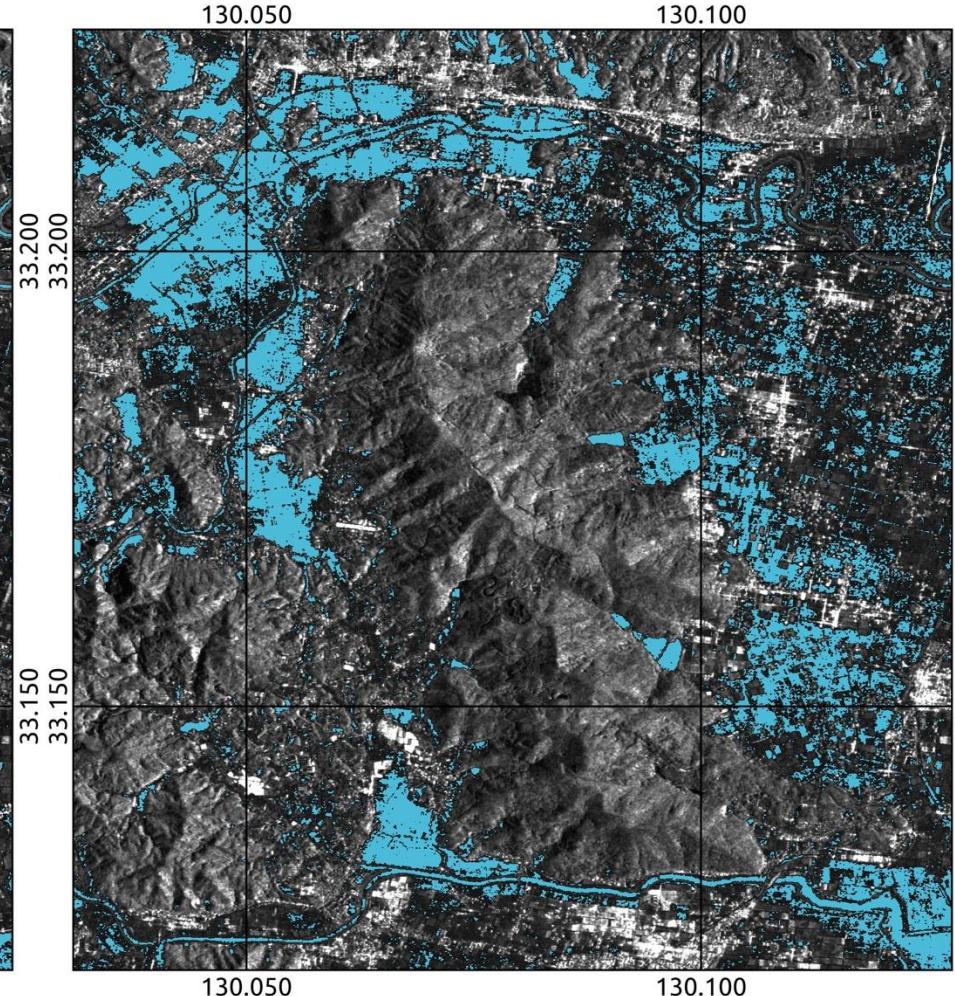


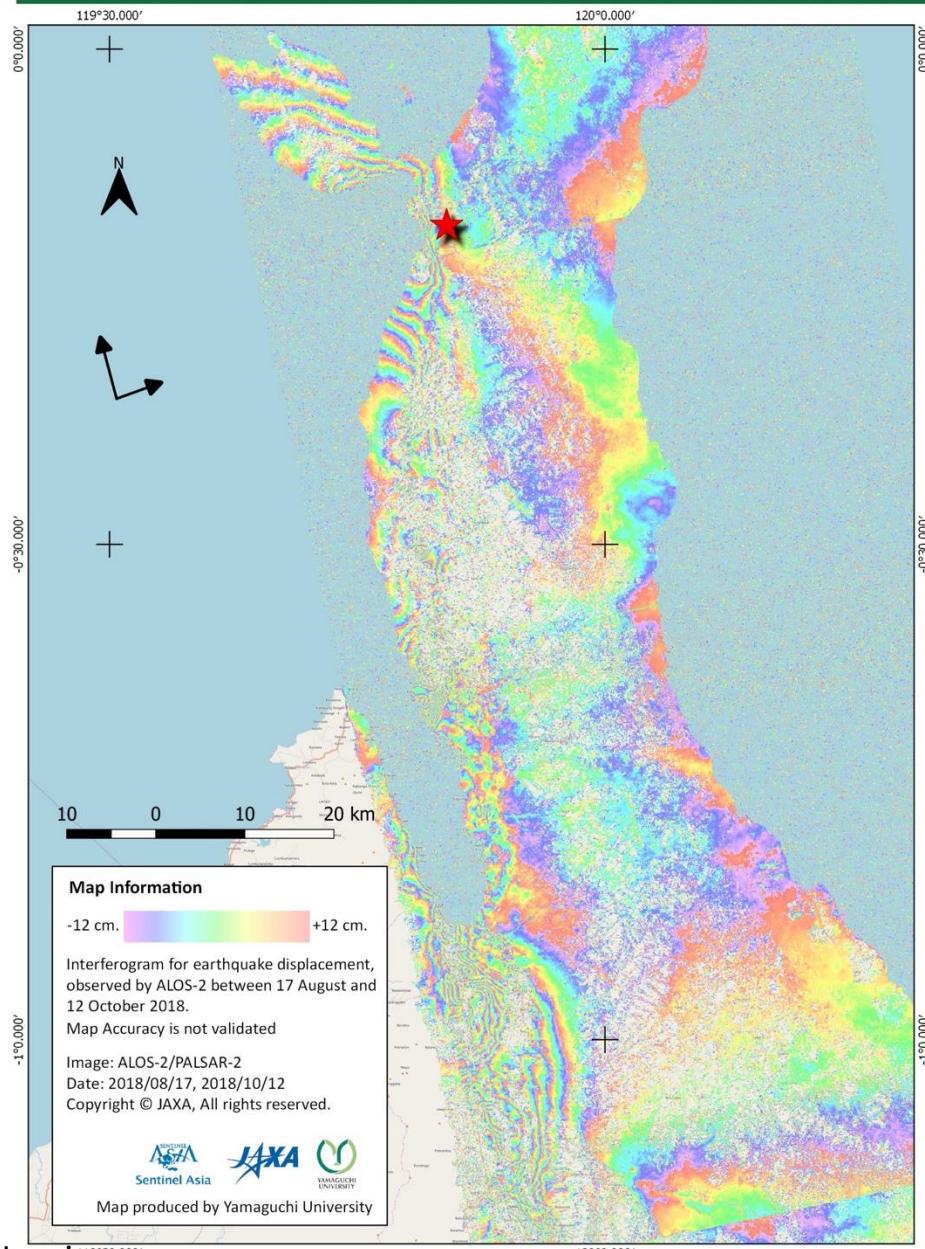
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Map produced by Yamaguchi University

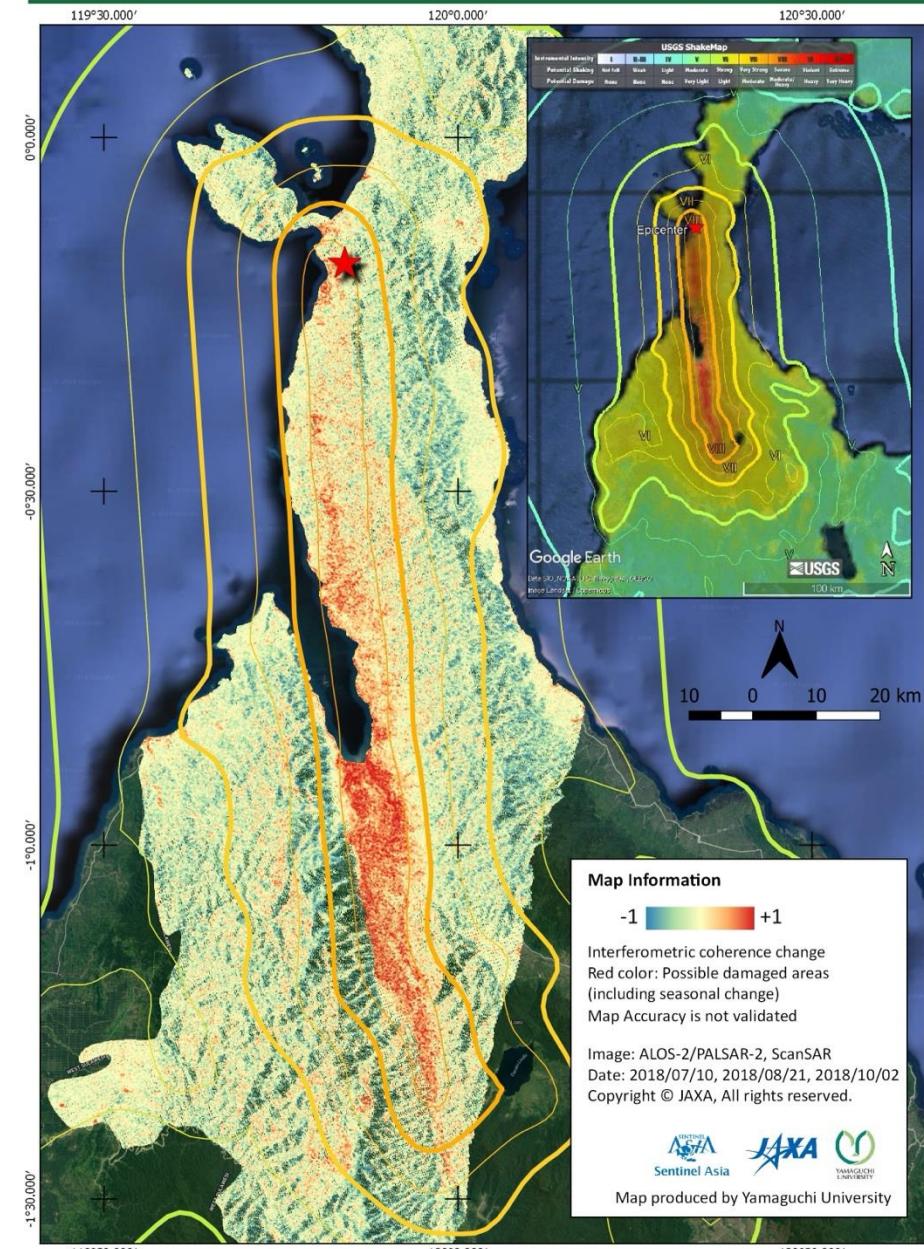


(SAR Image (Phase))

Earthquake displacement measured by ALOS-2 in Palu, Sulawesi, Indonesia



Damaged area detected by ALOS-2 for M7.5 earthquake in Palu, Sulawesi, Indonesia



Summary

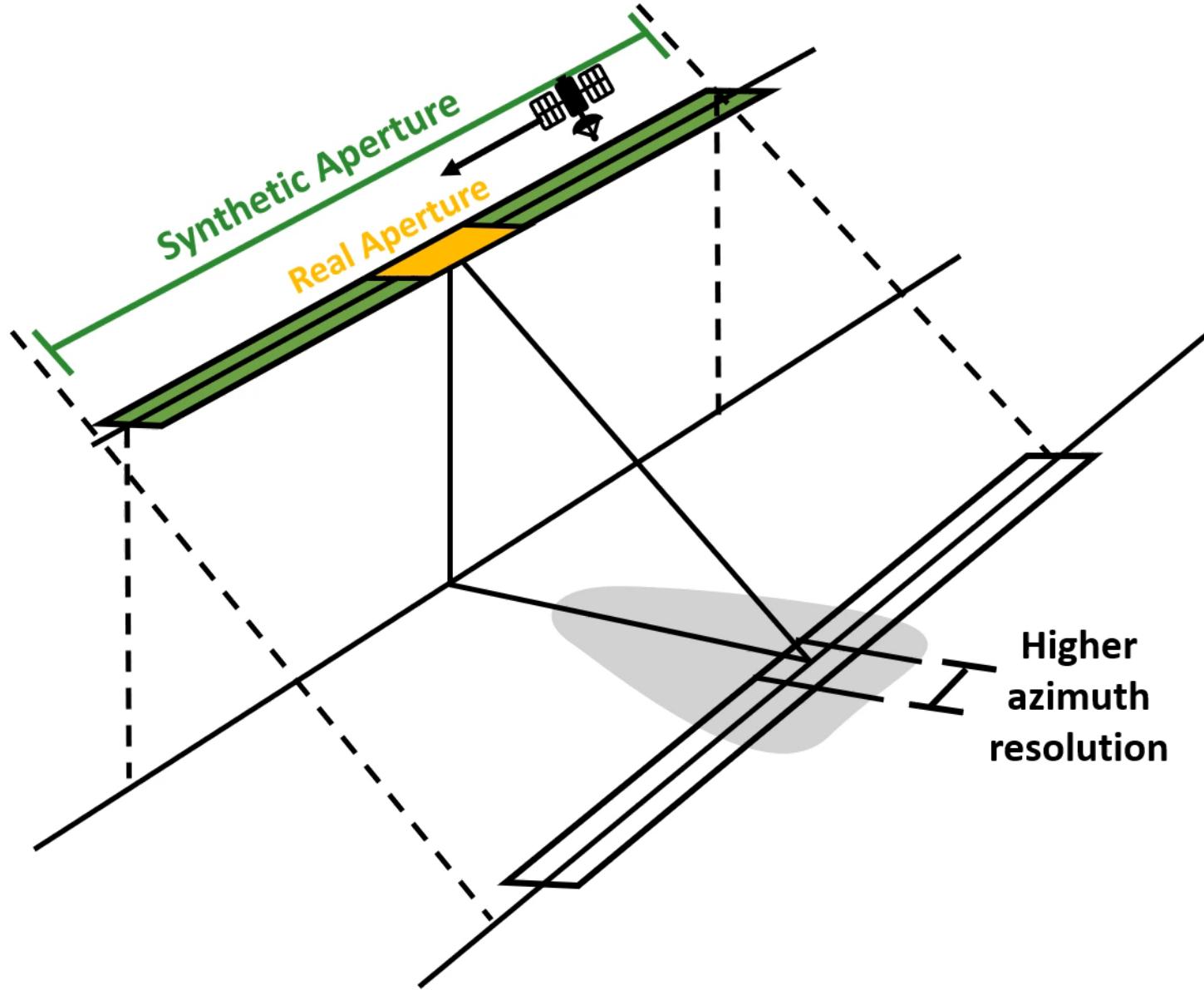
- There are several types of Remote sensing, Optical, Thermal, and Microwave remote sensing.
- It is necessary to select the most suitable satellite depending on type of disaster.

What is SAR?

What is SAR?

Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) is side looking radar which utilizes flight path to increase the antenna's size (aperture) and resolution in azimuth direction.

This system uses complicated data processing of multi-temporal signals and phase receiving from targets to generate high resolution image.



Advantages and Disadvantage of SAR

Advantages:

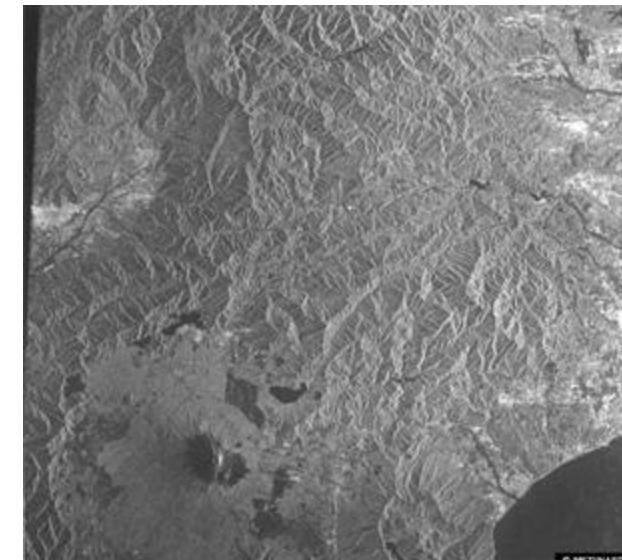
- Observe both day and night
- Small dependence on atmospheric conditions such as solar radiation, cloud cover
- Controllability of the emitted electromagnetic radiation such as power, frequency, polarization, radiation direction and etc.

Disadvantages:

- Black and white image
- Difficult to understand without understanding principle of SAR



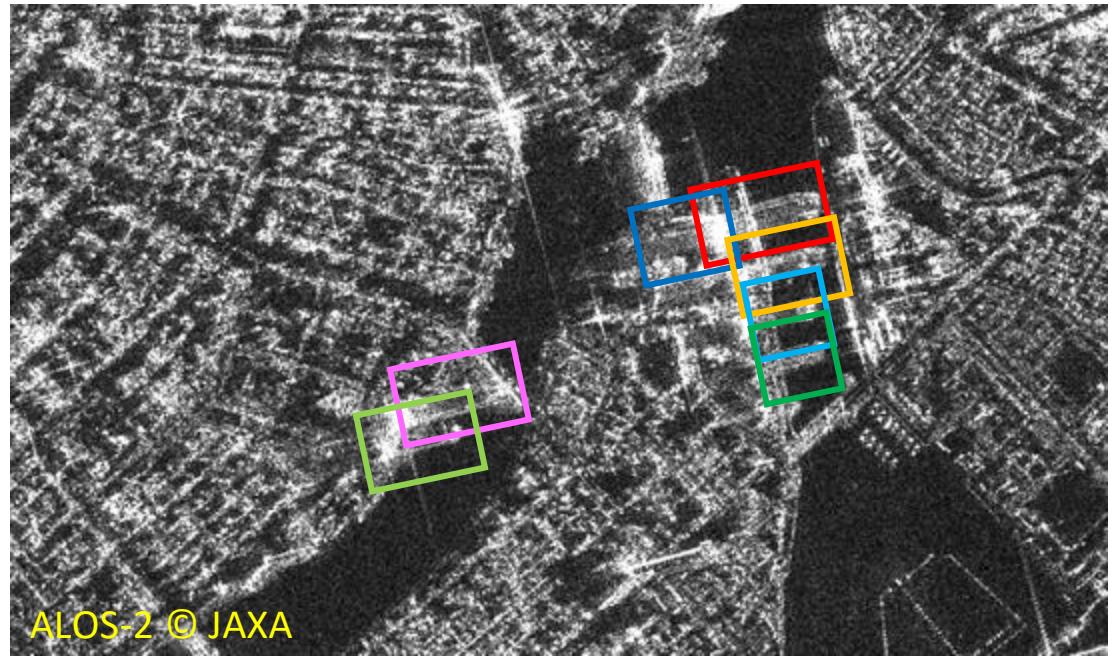
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Differences between Optical Data and SAR

	Optical Sensor	SAR
Platform	Airborne/spaceborne	Airborne/spaceborne
Radiation	Reflected sunlight	Own radiation
Spectrum	Visible/infrared	Microwave
Frequency	Multi-frequency	Single/Multi-frequency
Polarimetry	N.A.	Polarimetric phase
Interferometry	N.A.	Polarimetric phase
Acquisition time	Day time	Day/night
Weather	Blocked by clouds	See through clouds





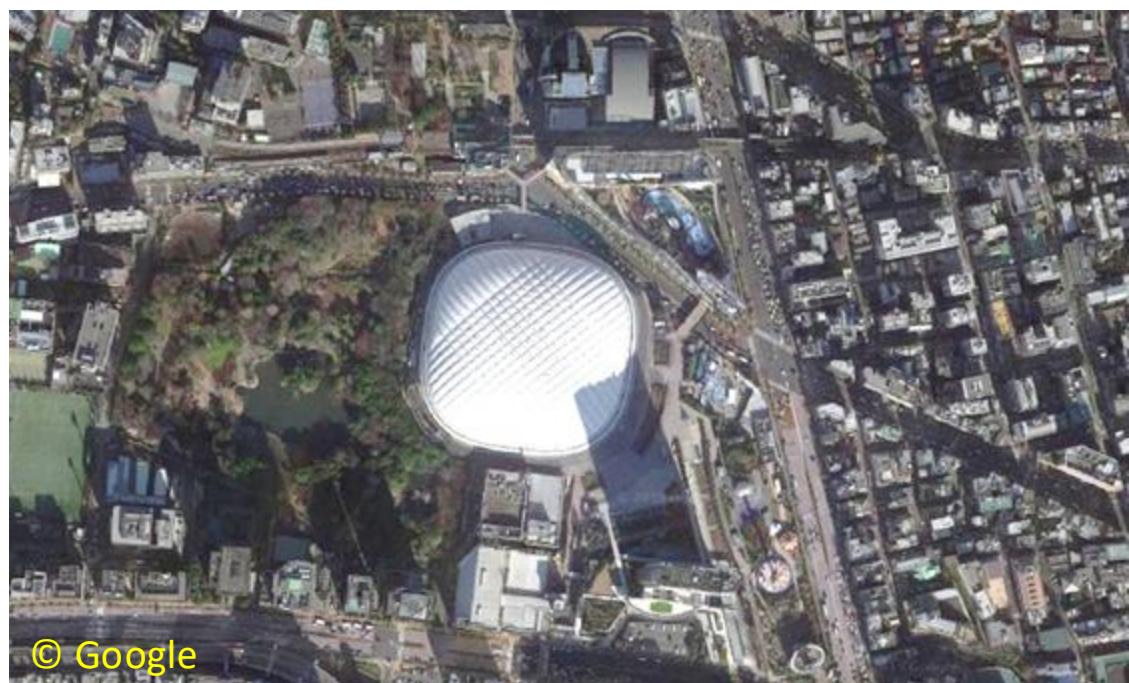
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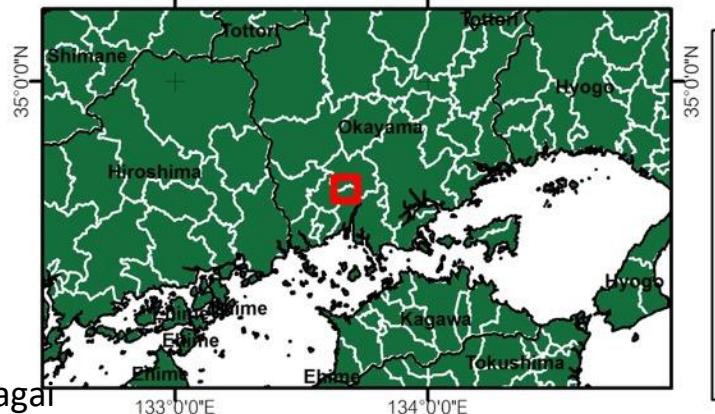
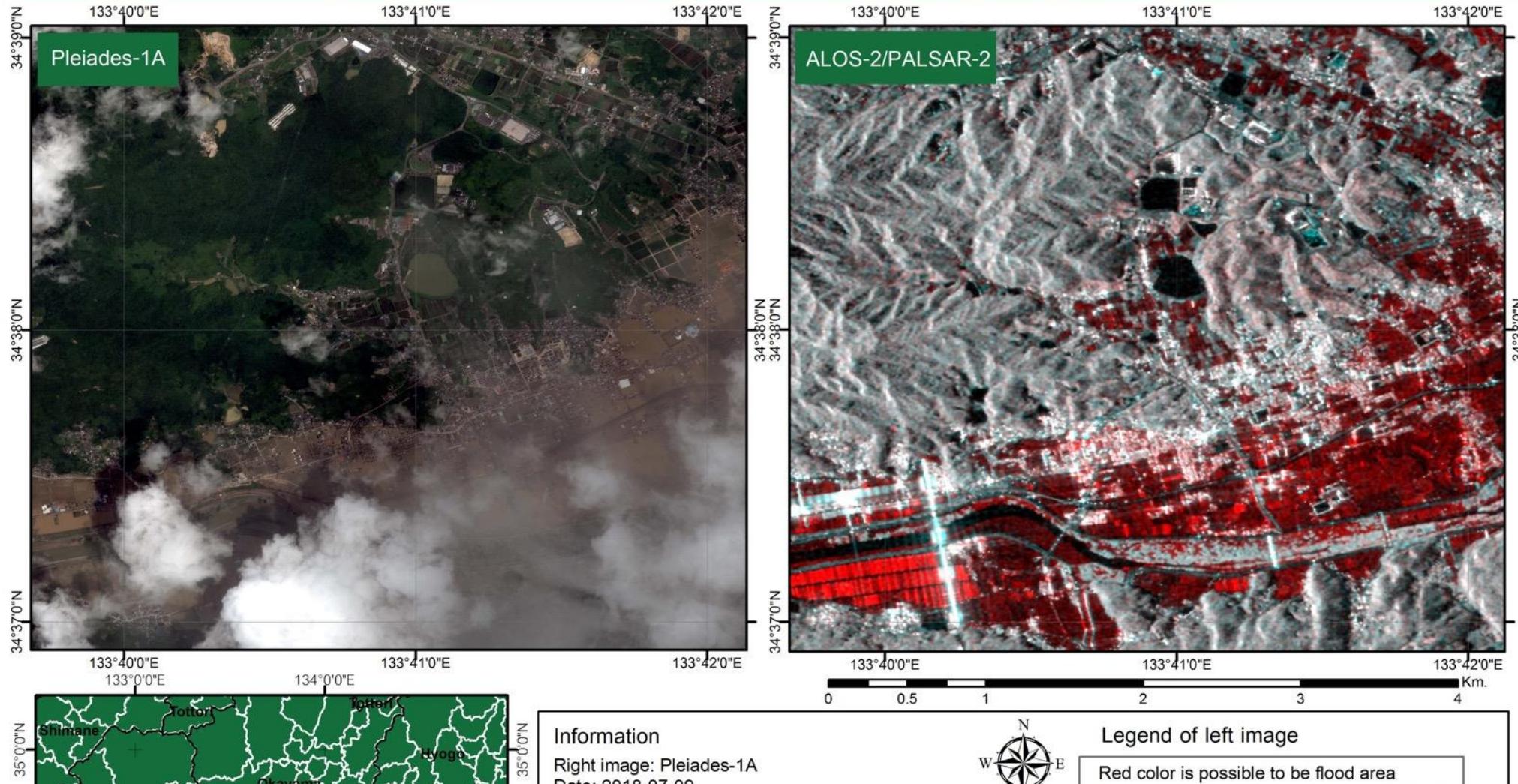


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Flood Detection in Mabi, Kurashiki, Okayama, Japan



Information

Right image: Pleiades-1A

Date: 2018-07-09

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Left image: ALOS-2/PALSAR-2 (SM1 mode)

Color Composite:

Red band: Before disaster: 2018-04-14 at 15:05 (UTC)

Green band: After disaster: 2018-07-07 at 15:05 (UTC)

Blue band: After disaster: 2018-07-07 at 15:05 (UTC)

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Legend of left image

Red color is possible to be flood area

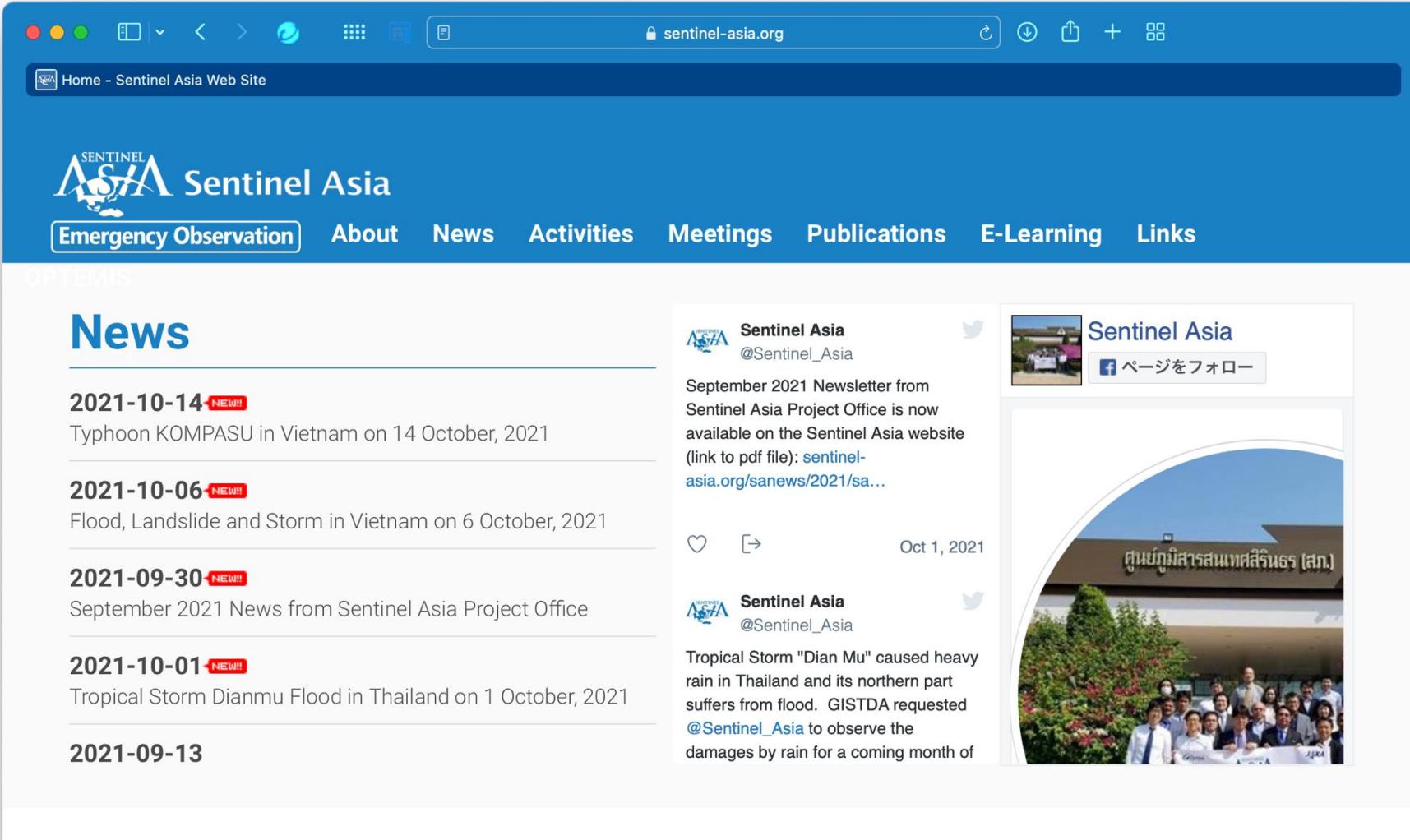


Summary

- SAR is very effective for disaster monitoring.
- SAR can penetrate clouds, collect during all- weather conditions, and capture data day and night.
- Some of SAR data is freely available such as Sentinel-1.

How to get Satellite Data?

Sentinel Asia



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Sentinel Asia website. The header features the Sentinel Asia logo with the text "SENTINEL ASIA" and "Sentinel Asia". Below the logo is a navigation menu with links: "Emergency Observation" (highlighted in a blue box), "About", "News", "Activities", "Meetings", "Publications", "E-Learning", and "Links". The main content area is titled "TOP NEWS" and contains a "News" section. The news items are listed with their publication dates and titles:

- 2021-10-14 NEW!!** Typhoon KOMPASU in Vietnam on 14 October, 2021
- 2021-10-06 NEW!!** Flood, Landslide and Storm in Vietnam on 6 October, 2021
- 2021-09-30 NEW!!** September 2021 News from Sentinel Asia Project Office
- 2021-10-01 NEW!!** Tropical Storm Dianmu Flood in Thailand on 1 October, 2021
- 2021-09-13**

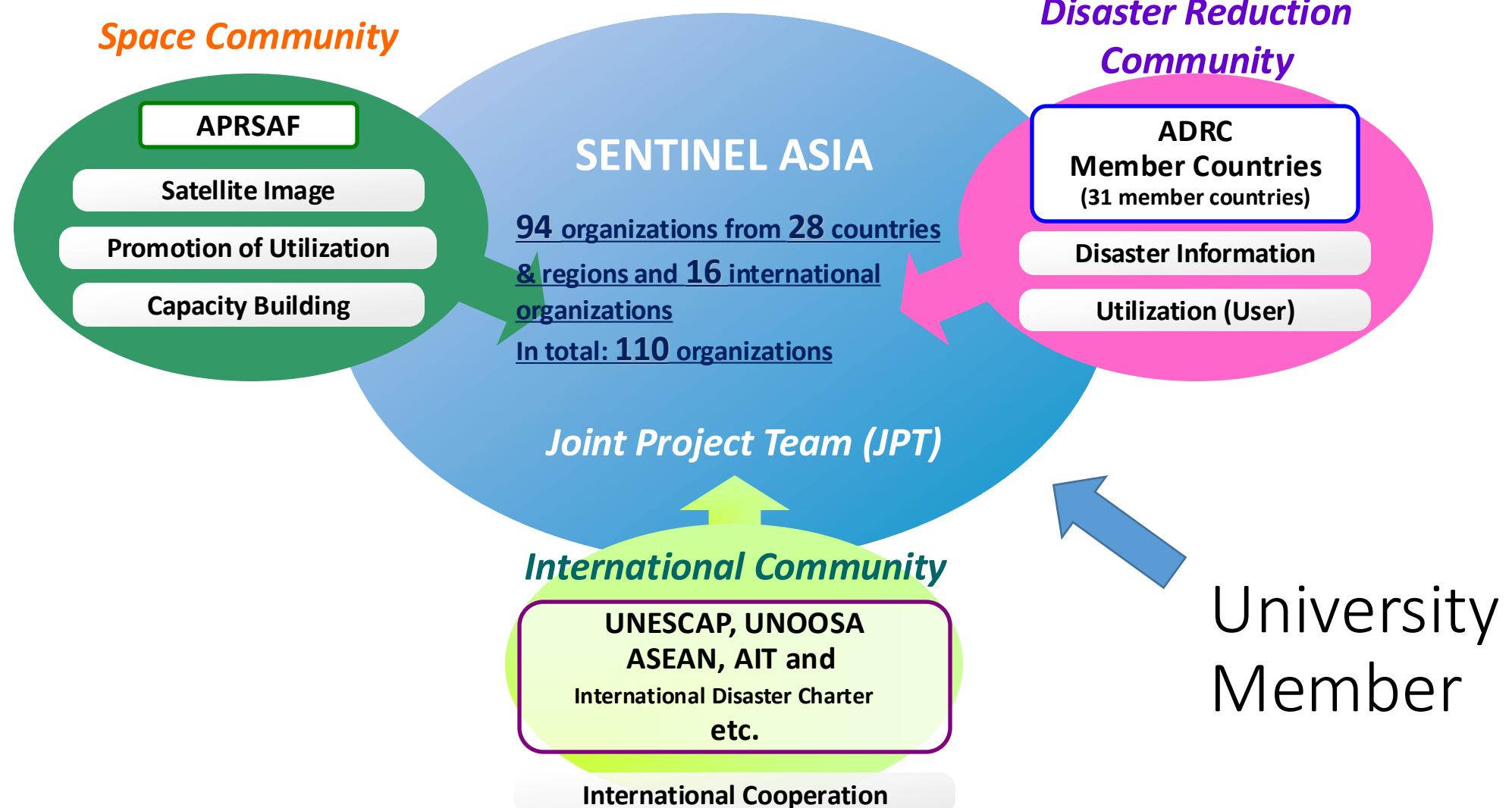
On the right side of the page, there are two social media feed cards. The top card is for Twitter and shows a tweet from the account @Sentinel_Asia. The tweet discusses the September 2021 Newsletter and includes a link to a PDF file. The bottom card is for Facebook and shows a post with a photo of a group of people in front of a building with the text "ศูนย์ภูมิศาสตร์สิ่งแวดล้อม (สปส.)".

<https://sentinel-asia.org>

Sentinel Asia

- Sentinel Asia is a voluntary initiative between space agencies and disaster management agencies to apply Remote Sensing and Web-GIS technologies to assist disaster management in the Asia-Pacific region.
- Sentinel Asia aims to:
 - ✓ Improve safety in society by ICT and space technology
 - ✓ Improve speed and accuracy of disaster preparedness and early warning
 - ✓ Minimize the number of victims and social/economic losses.

Framework of Sentinel Asia



Member of Sentinel Asia

- *Sentinel Asia organizes Joint Project Team (JPT), and JPT consists of **111 organizations** including **94 agencies from 28 countries/region** and **17 international organizations**. (as of November 2019)*
- *JAXA is the secretariat of JPT.*
- *Also, Sentinel Asia cooperates with **ADRC** and **their members** closely, and they are also member of Sentinel Asia as well.*

JPT +
members



Member of Sentinel Asia

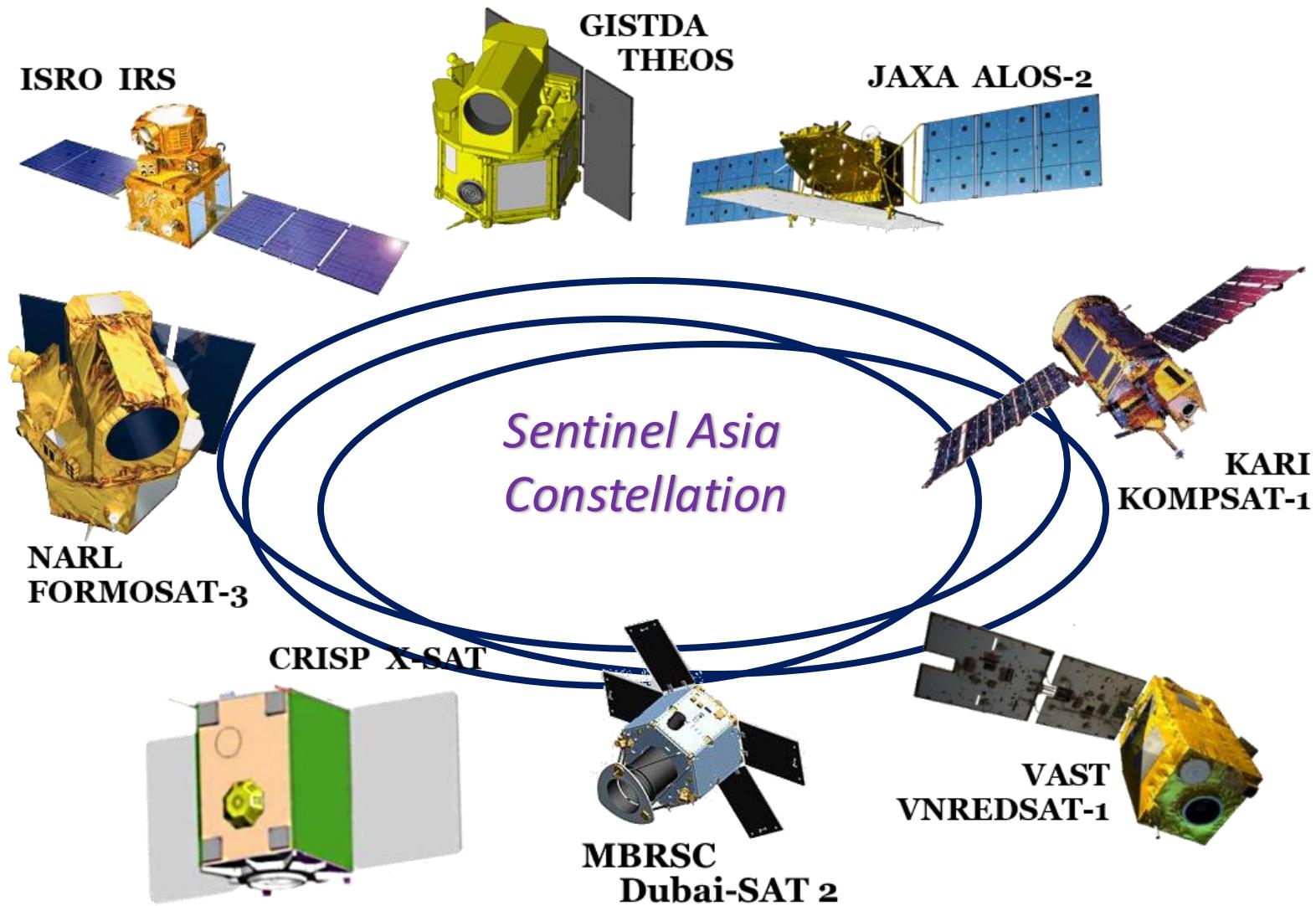
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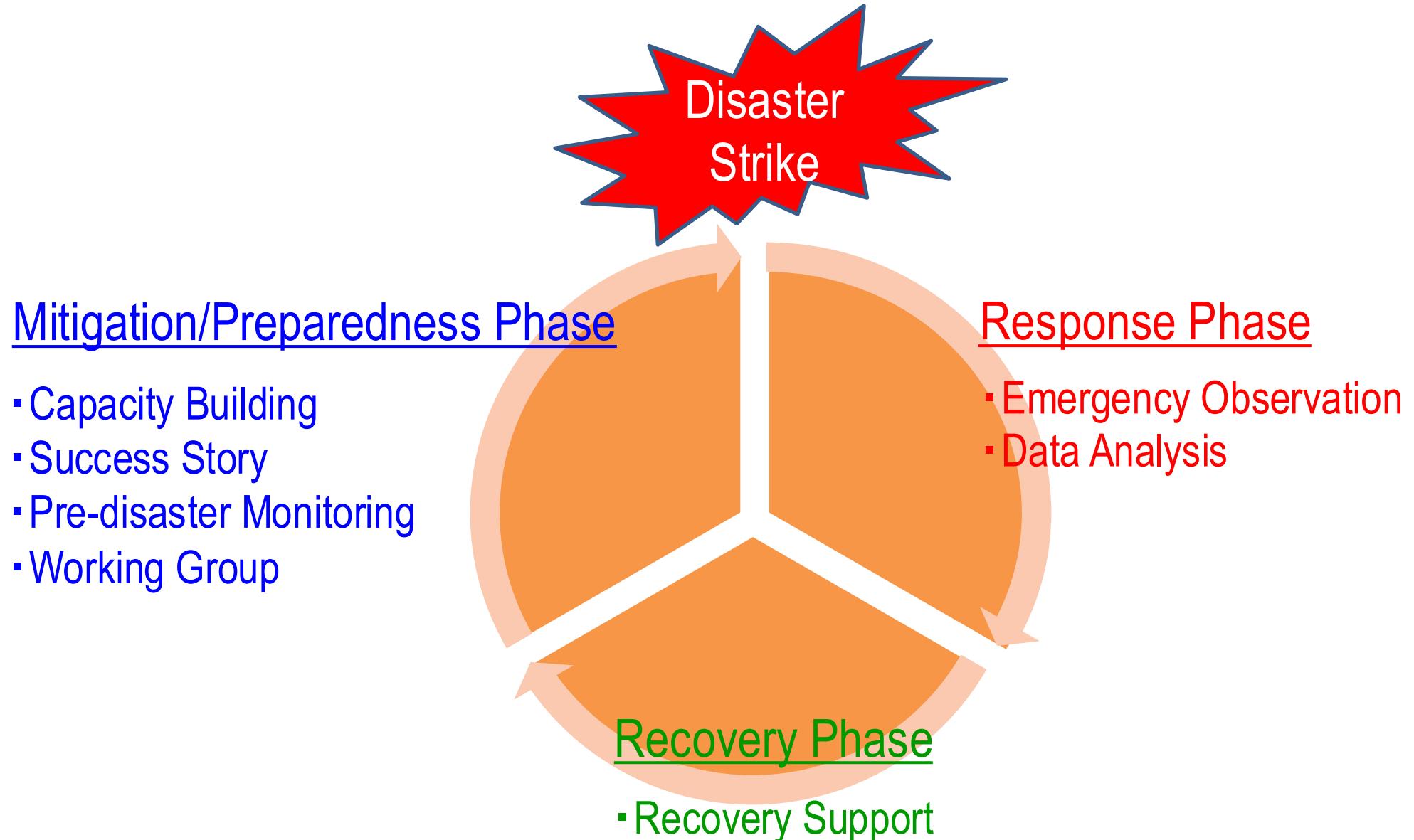
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1	Armenia	1	Ministry of Emergency Situation (MES)		
2	Australia	2	CSIRO Office of Space Science and Applications (COSSA)		
		3	Geoscience Australia (GA)		
		4	Bureau of Meteorology (BOM)		
		5	Bangladesh Space Research and remote Sensing Organization (SPARRSO)		
4	Bhutan	6	Department of Disaster Management, Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs		
		7	National Land Commission		
		8	Sherubtse College, Royal University of Bhutan		
		9	Department of Geology and Mines (DGM)		
		10	Ministry of Works and Human Settlement (MoWHS)		
5	Brunei	11	Survey Department (SD), Ministry of Development		
6	Cambodia	12	Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction		
		13	National Committee for Disaster Management (NCDM)		

DPN (Data Provider Node)

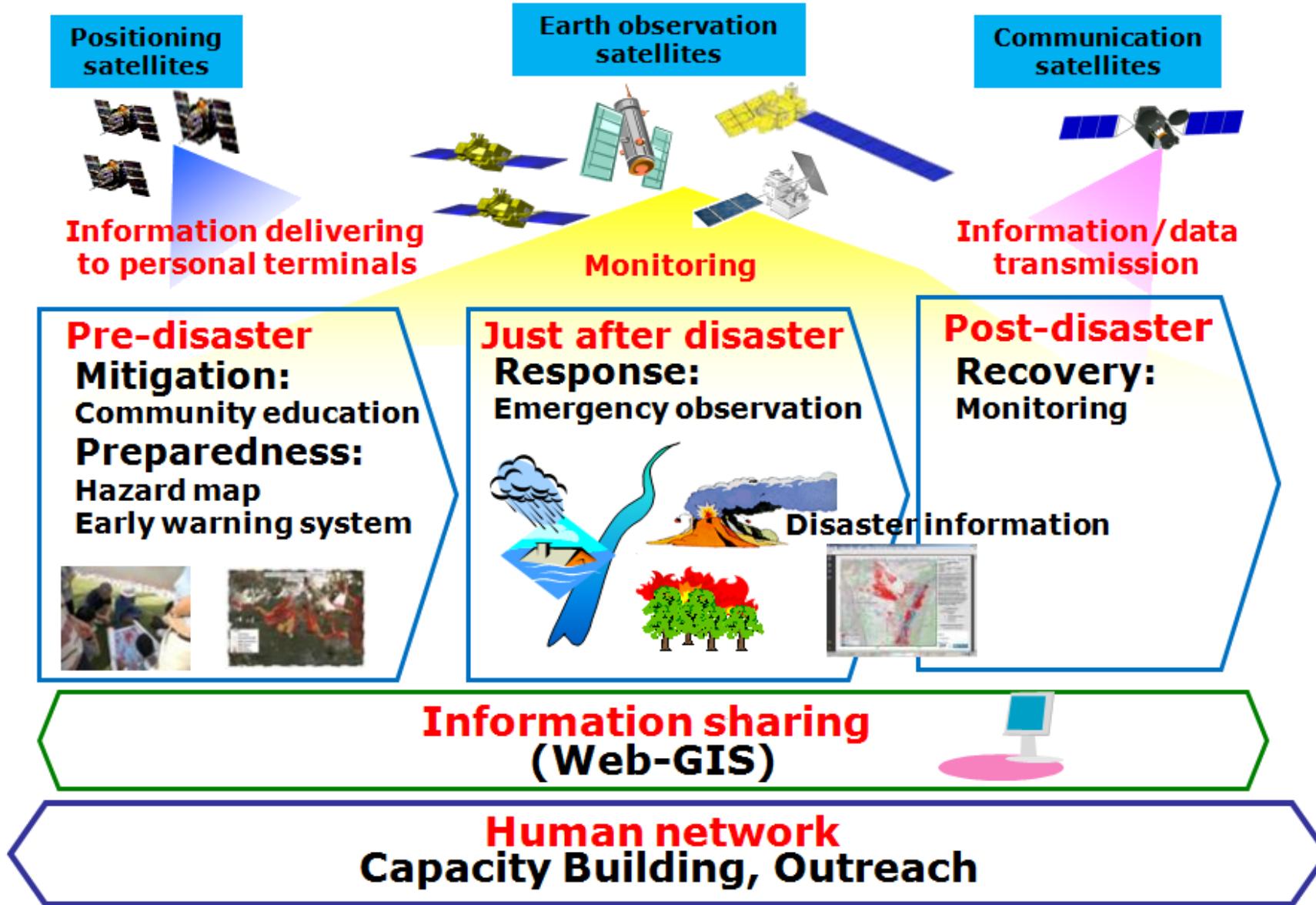
Sentinel Asia Constellation contributing to Emergency Observation



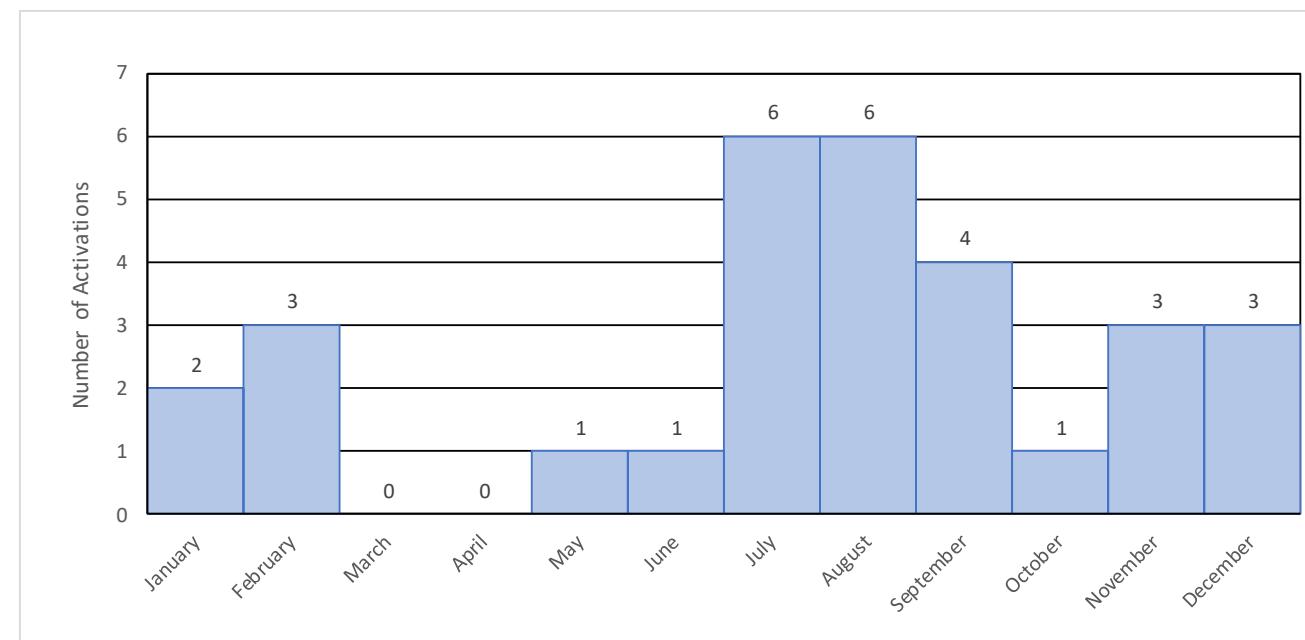
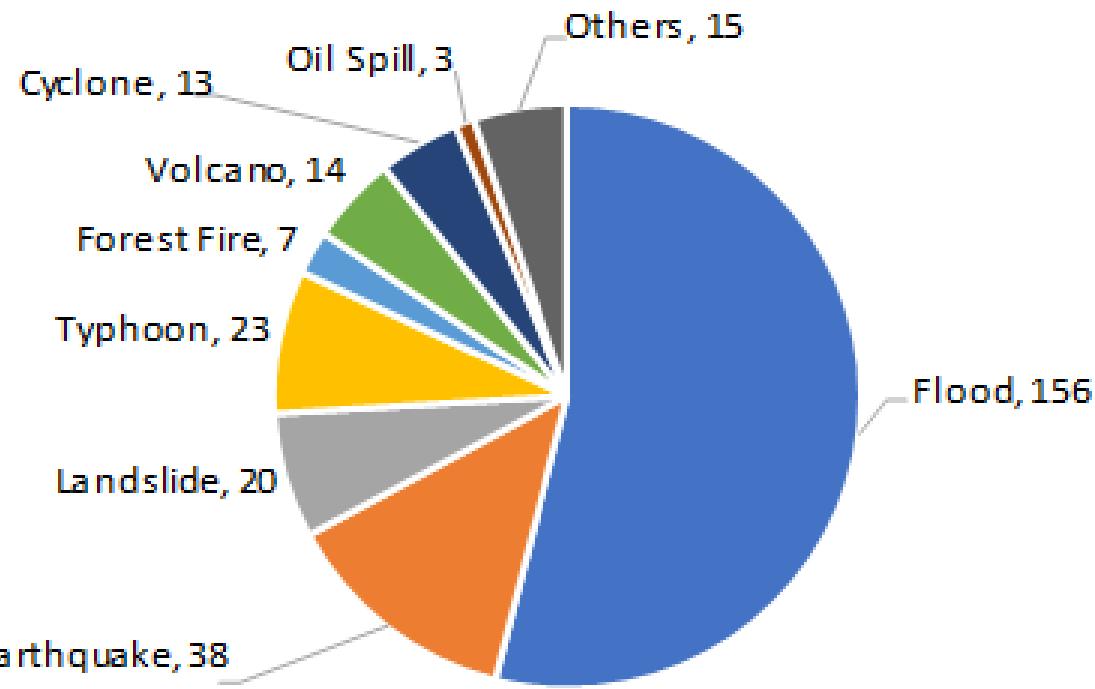
Disaster Cycle



Concept of Sentinel Asia



Type of Disaster (2007 – 2018)



Number of Monthly Activation

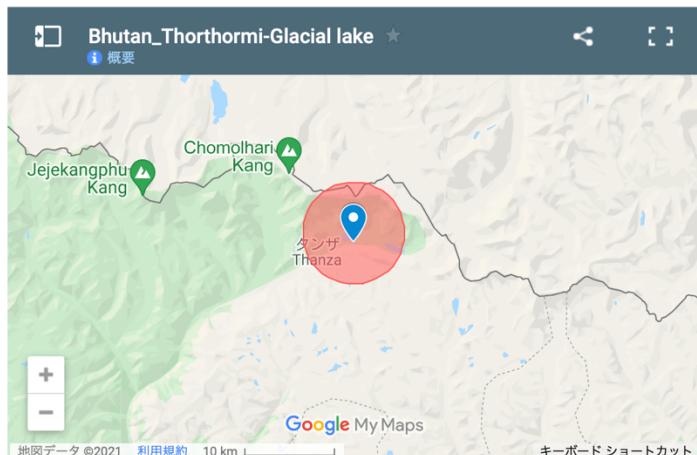
Bhutan Glacier Lake Breach Flood



2019-06-20

Bhutan Glacier Lake Breach Flood

Emergency Obs. Request Information



Disaster Type: Flash flood

Country: Bhutan

Occurrence Date (UTC): 20 June, 2019

SA activation Date(UTC): 22 June, 2019

Requester: Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs - Bhutan (MOHCA)

National Center for Hydrology and Meterology (NCHM)

Escalation to the International Charter: No

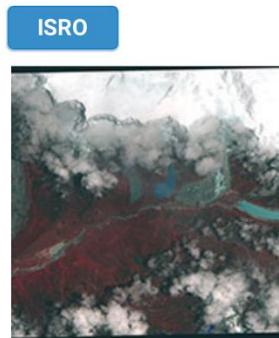
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Disaster Situation

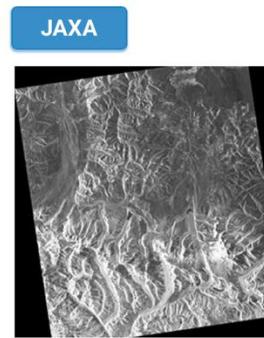
One (Thorthormi-Lake) of four potential dangerous lakes in the head waters of Phochu under the Punatsangchu is partially bridged 20th June night. We hope to observe because of detection of an advance warning of hazardous situation (Glacier Lake Outburst Flood).

[News: Kuensel Online] <http://www.kuenselonline.com/experts-to-visit-thorthormi-today/>

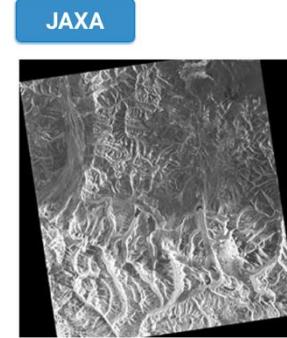
Bhutan Glacier Lake Breach Flood



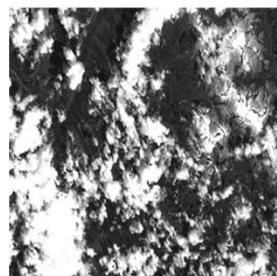
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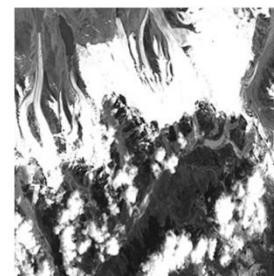
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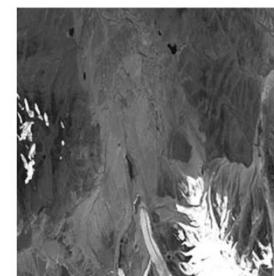
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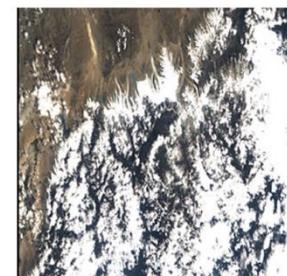
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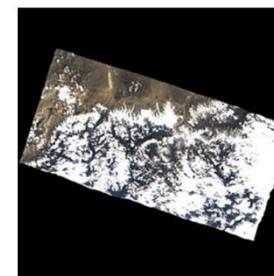
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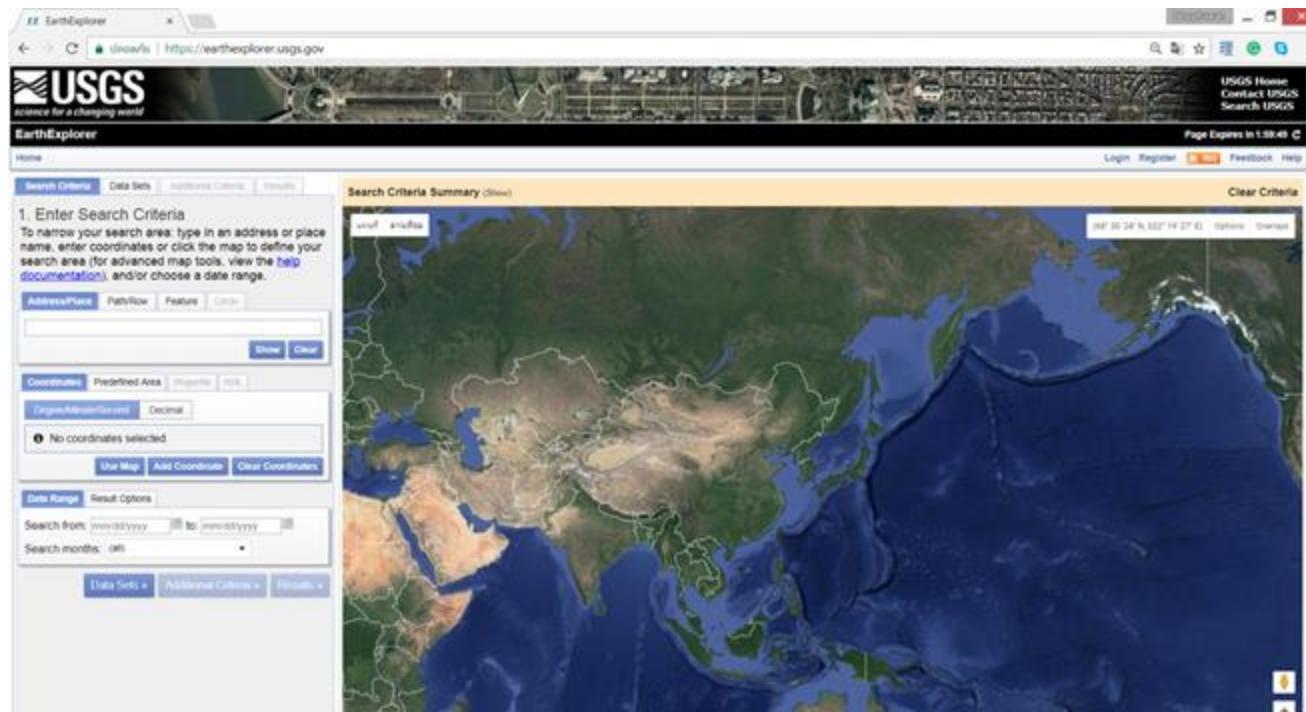
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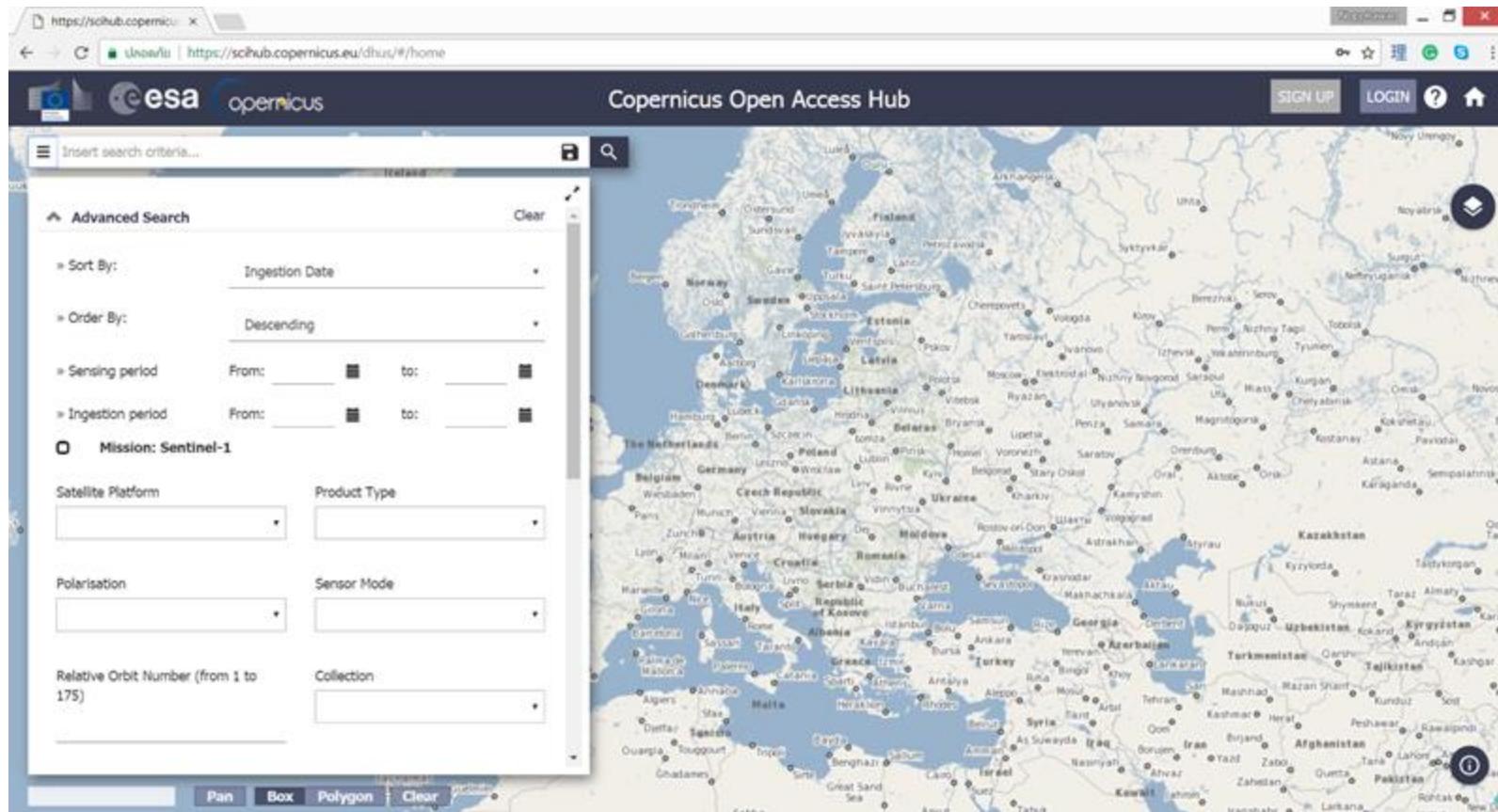
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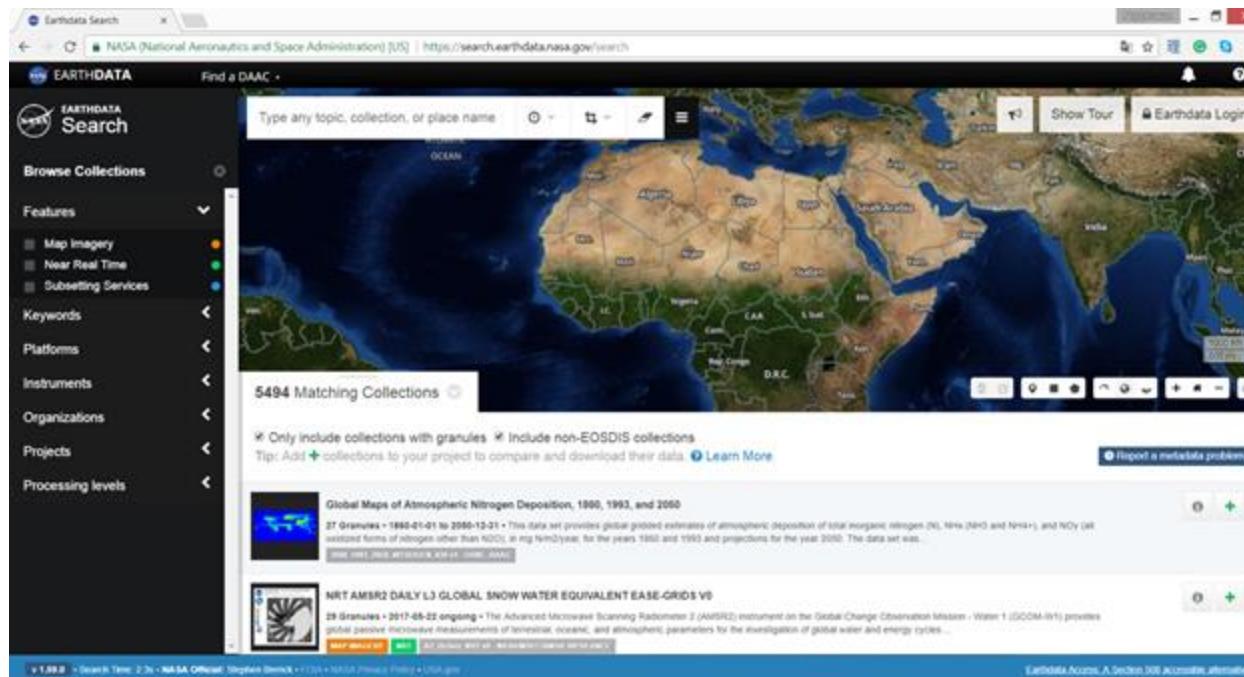
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NASA Earth Data

Platforms: AIRCRAFT, ALOS, Aqua, ERS-1, ERS-2, GEOS-8, JERS-1, Landsat-5, Landsat-7, Landsat-8, RADARSAT-1, Sentinel-1A, Sentinel-1B, Sentinel-2, Terra, GCOM-W1, NASA ER-2, NOAA(11-19), TRMM, etc.

Data related to agriculture, atmosphere, biological classification, biosphere, climate indicators, cryosphere, hydrosphere, land surface, oceans, terrestrial hydrosphere, etc.



<https://search.earthdata.nasa.gov>

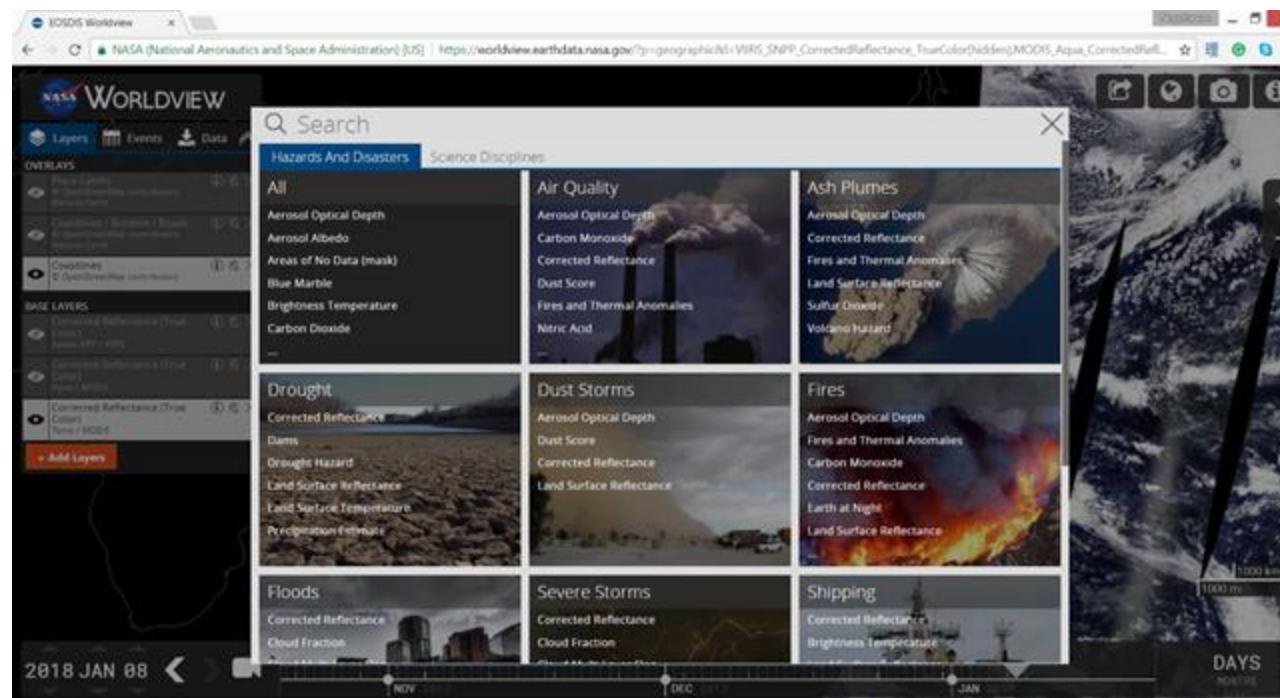
NASA WORLDVIEW

Platforms: MODIS/Terra, MODIS/Aqua, Landsat, GCOM-W1/AMSR2, SMAP, Sentinel-1, MERRA-2, etc.

Data related to

- Hazard and disaster including air quality, ash plumes, drought, storms, fires, floods, shipping, etc.
- Science Disciplines including atmosphere, biosphere, cryosphere, human dimension, land surface, oceans, spectral/engineering, terrestrial hydrosphere, etc.

<https://worldview.earthdata.nasa.gov/>



Summary

- Sentinel Asia is very effective activates to acquire satellite images by international cooperation.
- Satellite data is freely available. But, it is difficult to request newly observation.

AI Technology

AI Technology for Remote Sensing Data

Over 10000 Polygons of the buildings has been utilized in the program as the training data to identify the classifiers for the buildings



An aerial photograph showing a large area of land, likely a coastal region, that has been severely affected by a disaster. The landscape is characterized by numerous small, rectangular agricultural plots. In the upper left, there is a cluster of destroyed buildings and debris. A prominent feature is a long, narrow, dark green canal or river running diagonally across the middle of the image. A red crosshair marker is positioned in the center of the image, indicating a specific location of interest. The overall scene is one of extensive damage and disruption.

Aerial photo after disaster
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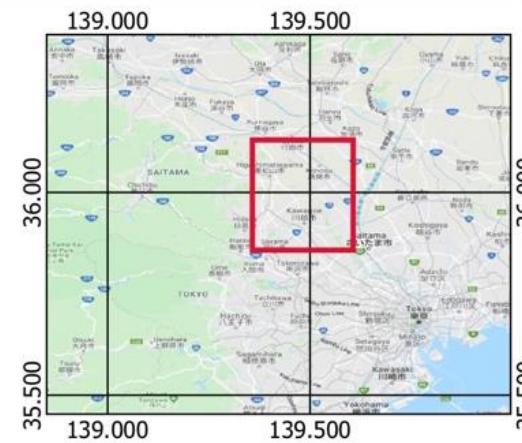
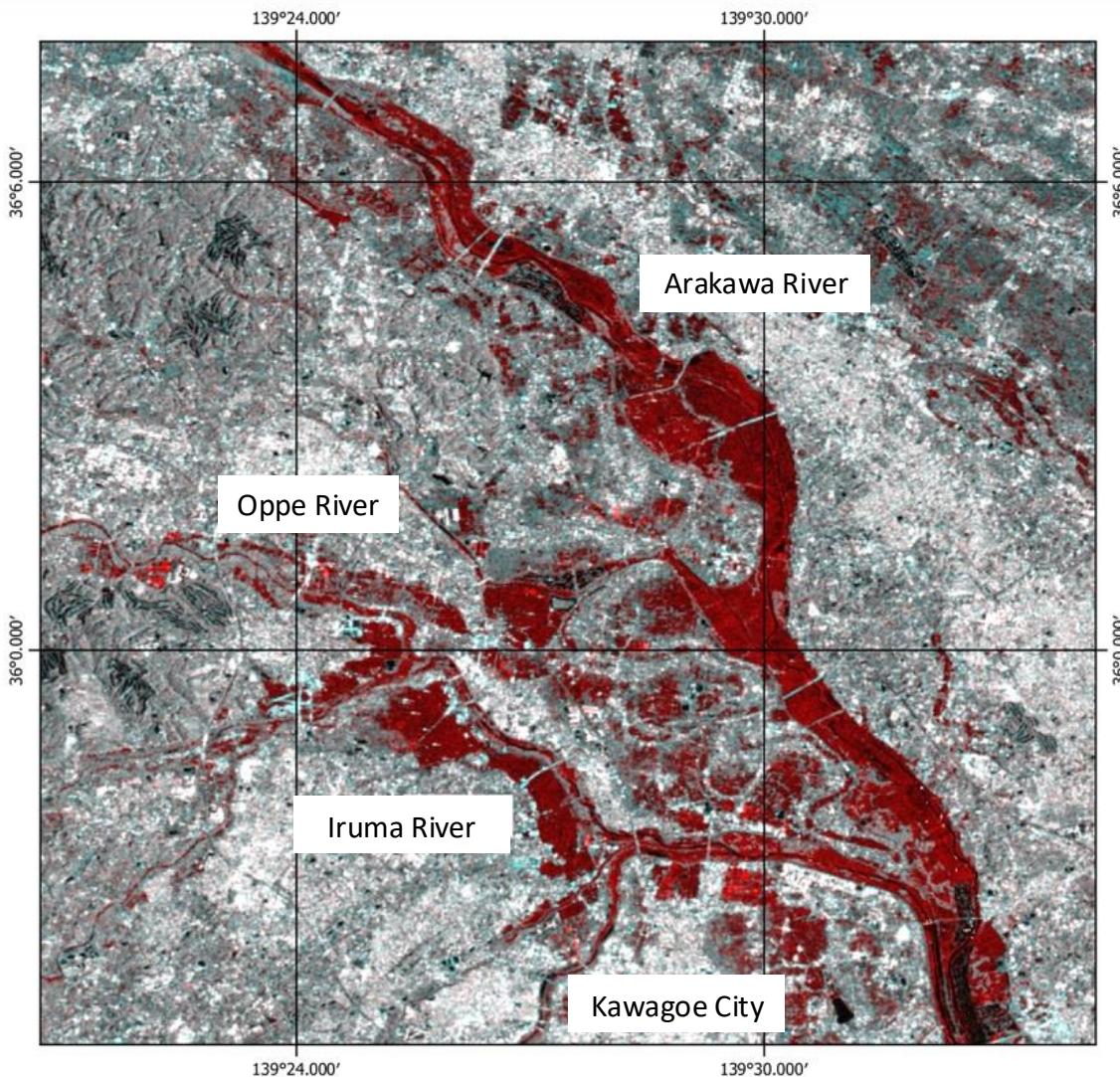
Aerial photo before disaster
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Application for Disaster

Possible flooded areas using Sentinel 1 in Saitama prefecture, Japan



Map information

Possible flood areas

Data source

Image: Sentinel 1B
Image date: 2019-10-06 and 2019-10-12
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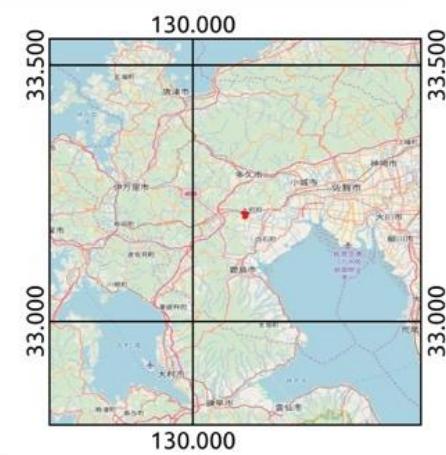
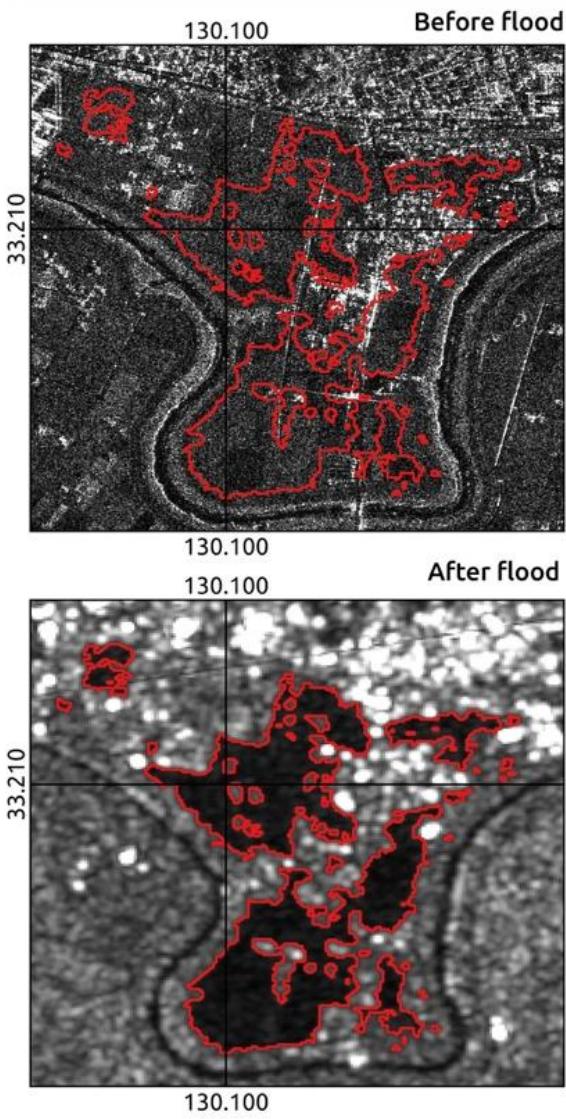


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Map produced by Yamaguchi University



<https://www.jiji.com/jc/p?id=20191013142904-0032859247>

Oil leaking and flooding areas, observed by KOMPSAT-5, Saga prefecture, Japan



Map information

■ Oil leaking and flooding areas (about 0.3 sq.km.)

Accuracy is not validated

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Image: KOMPSAT-5
Date: 2019-04-05 and 2019-08-29
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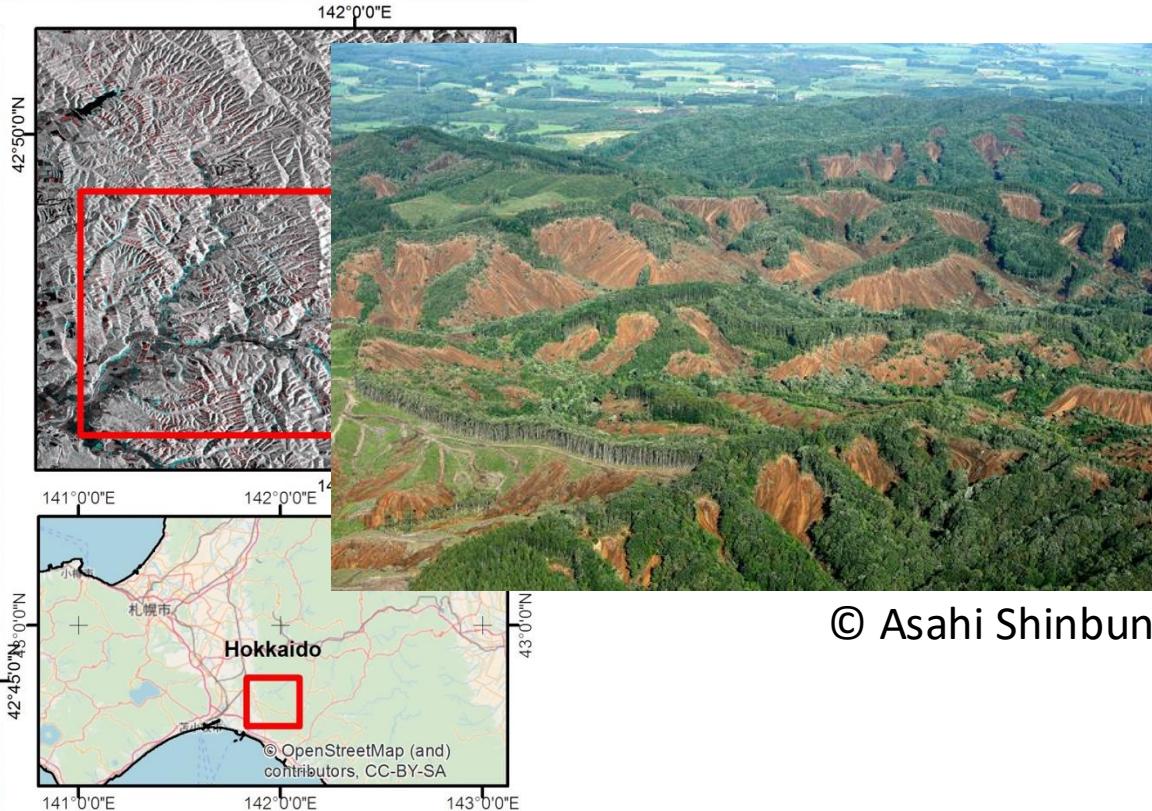
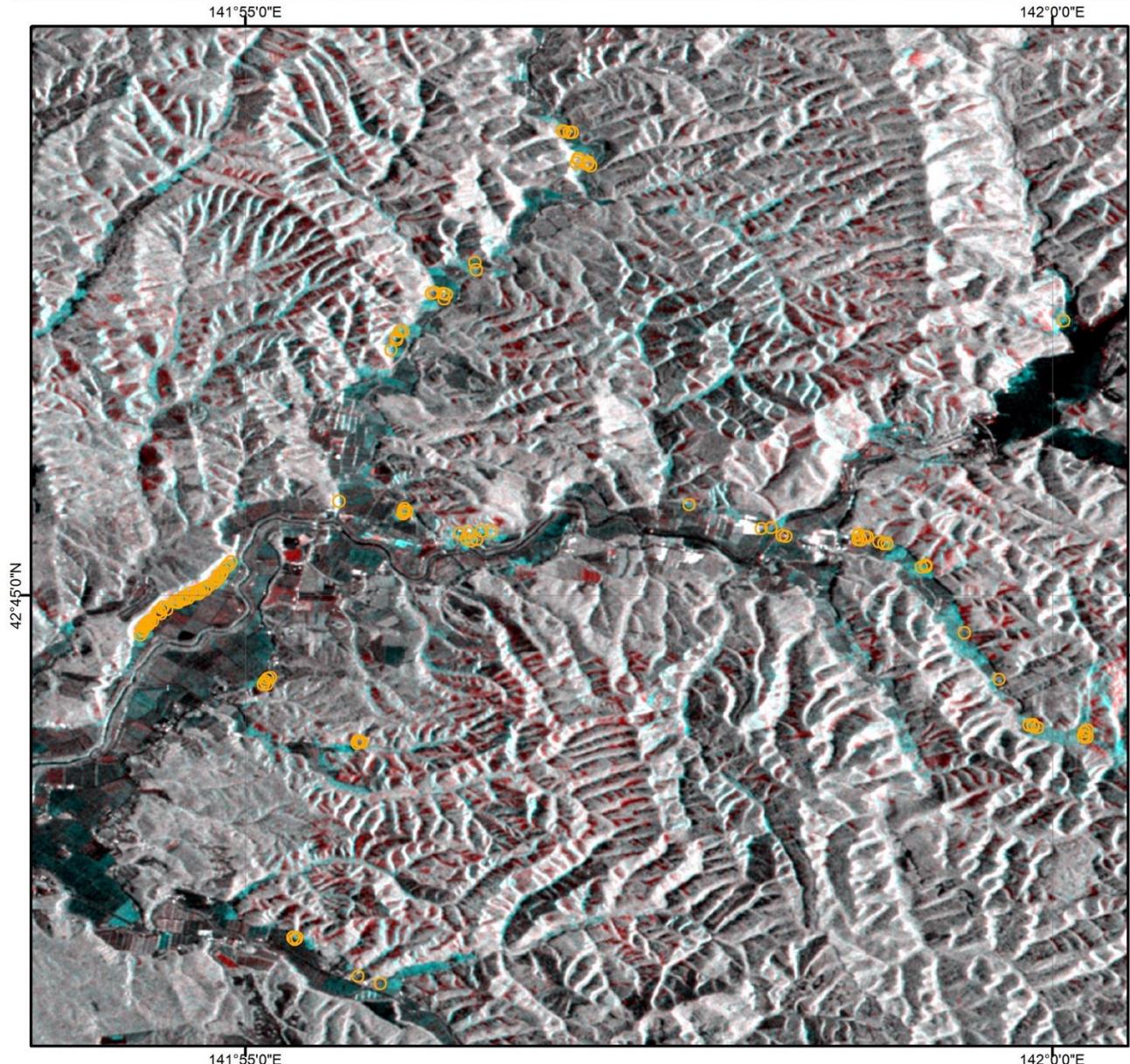


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https://www.kobe-np.co.jp/news/zenkoku/compact/201908/p1_0012648276.shtml

Landslide areas induced by M6.7 earthquake in Hokkaido, Japan



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Information

Red and blue color present affected area
by color composite of before- and after-images.

○ Buildings in affected area

Map accuracy is not validated

Image: ALOS-2/PALSAR-2

Before disaster: 2018-08-23

After disaster: 2018-09-06

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Occurrence date: 28 September 2018

Information: M7.5, induce tsunami and liquefaction

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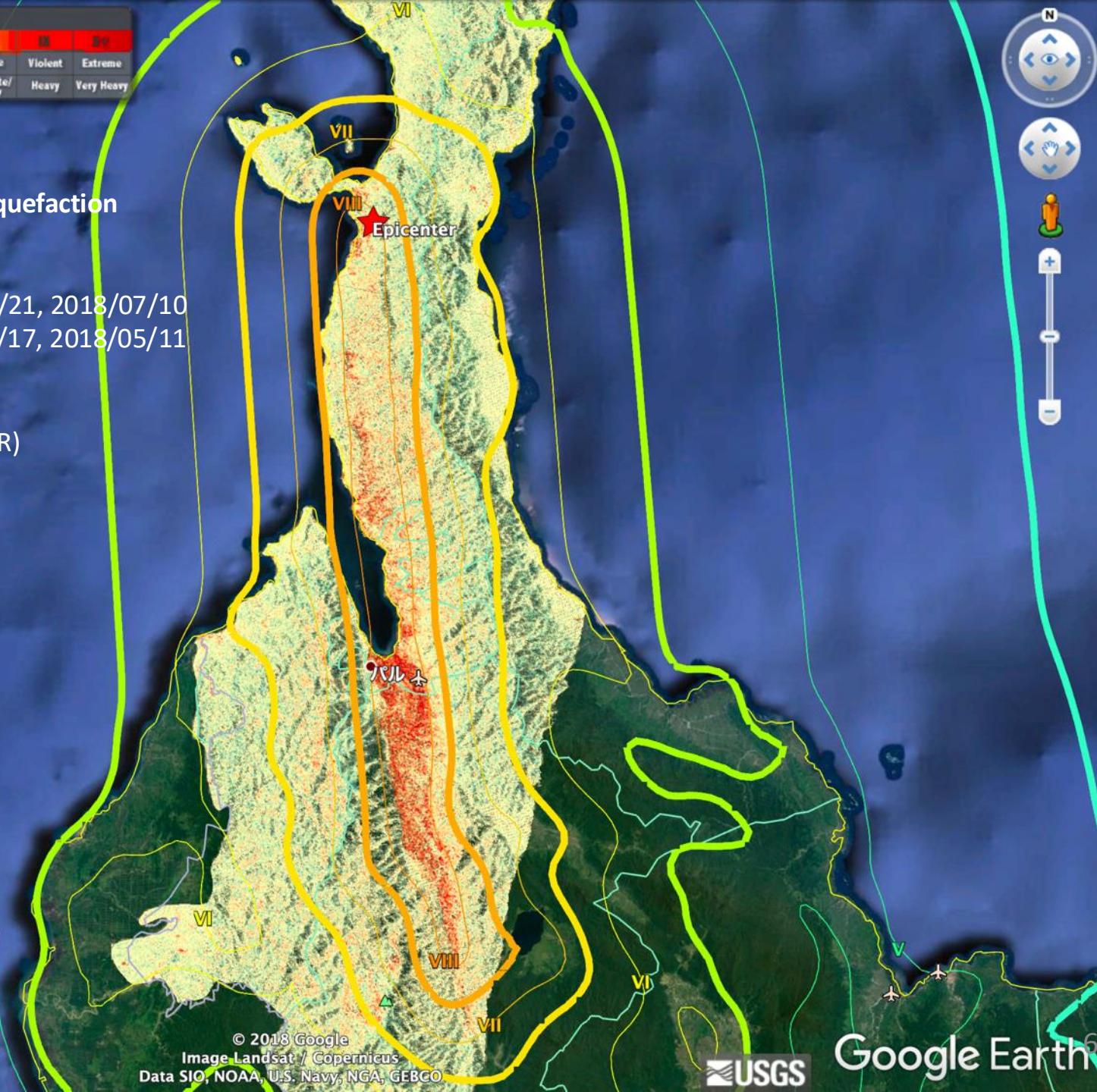
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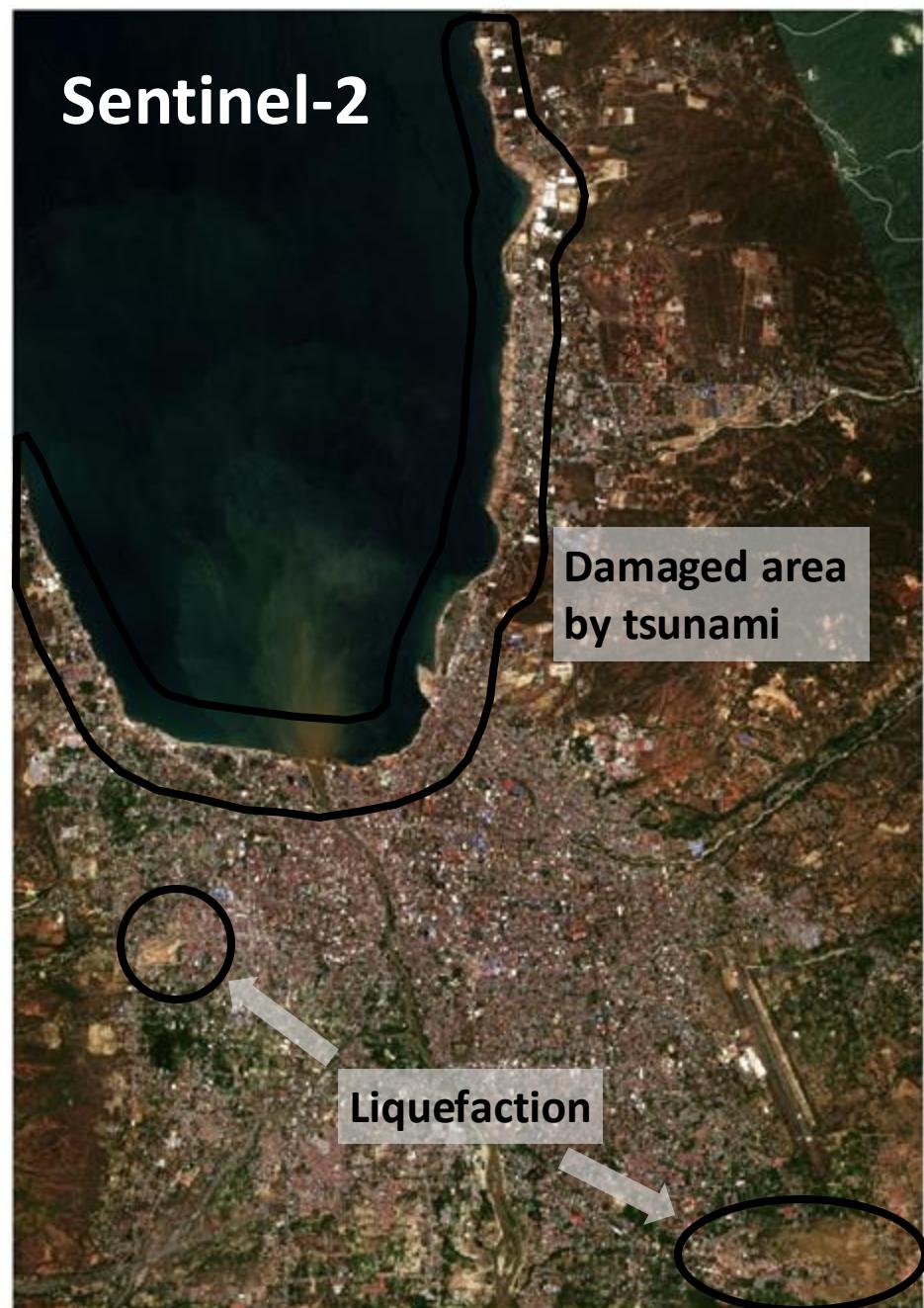
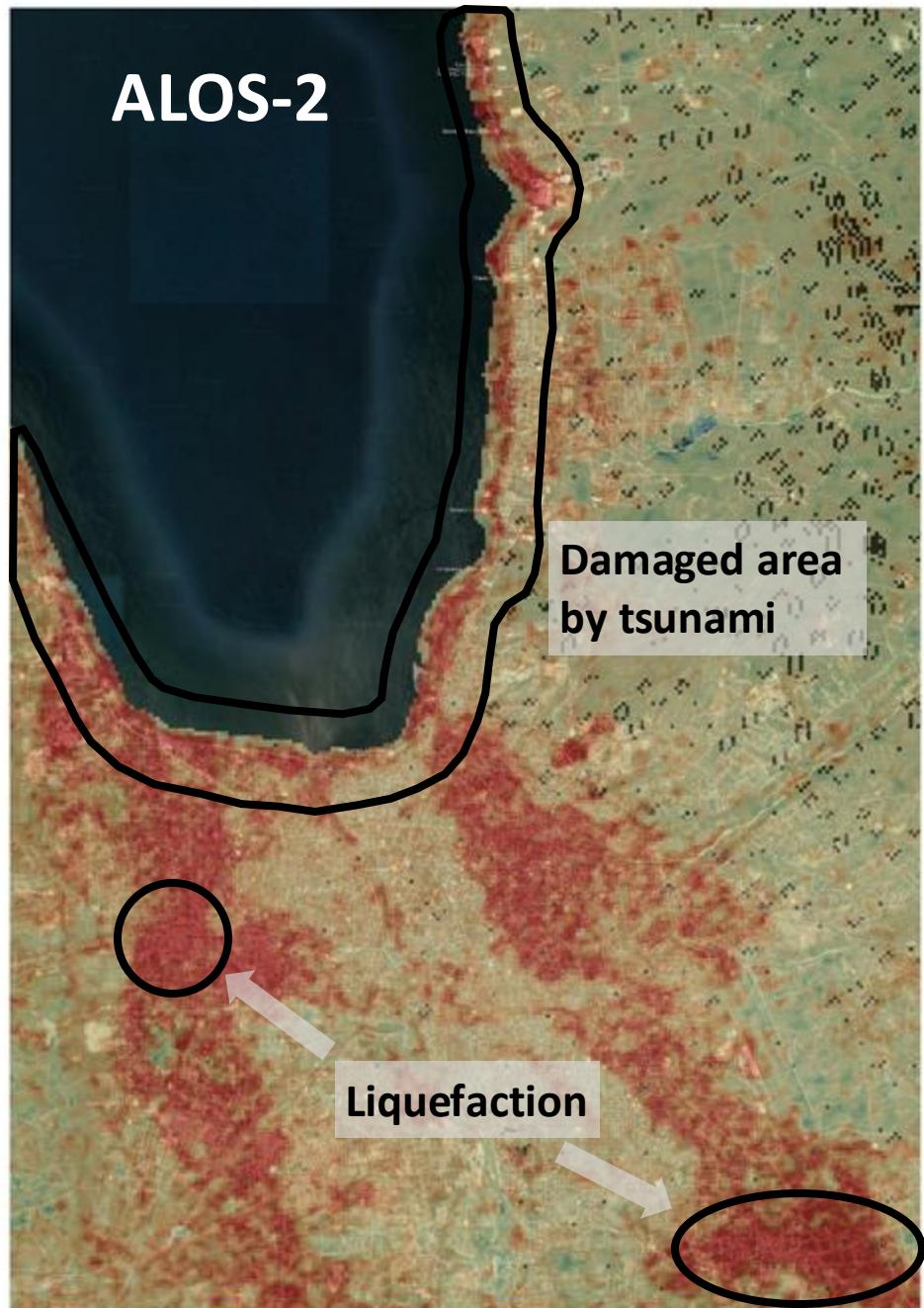
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ALOS-2 StripMap on 2018/10/12, 2018/08/17, 2018/05/11

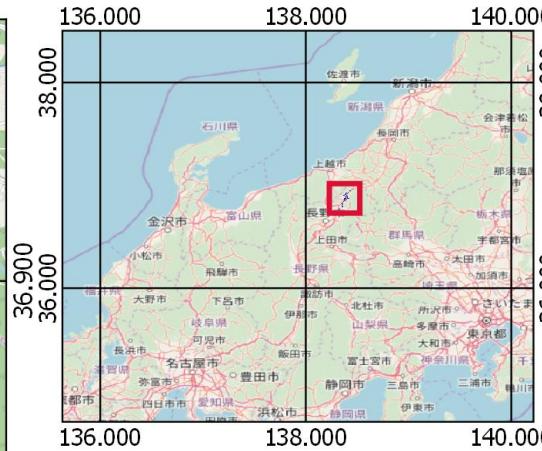
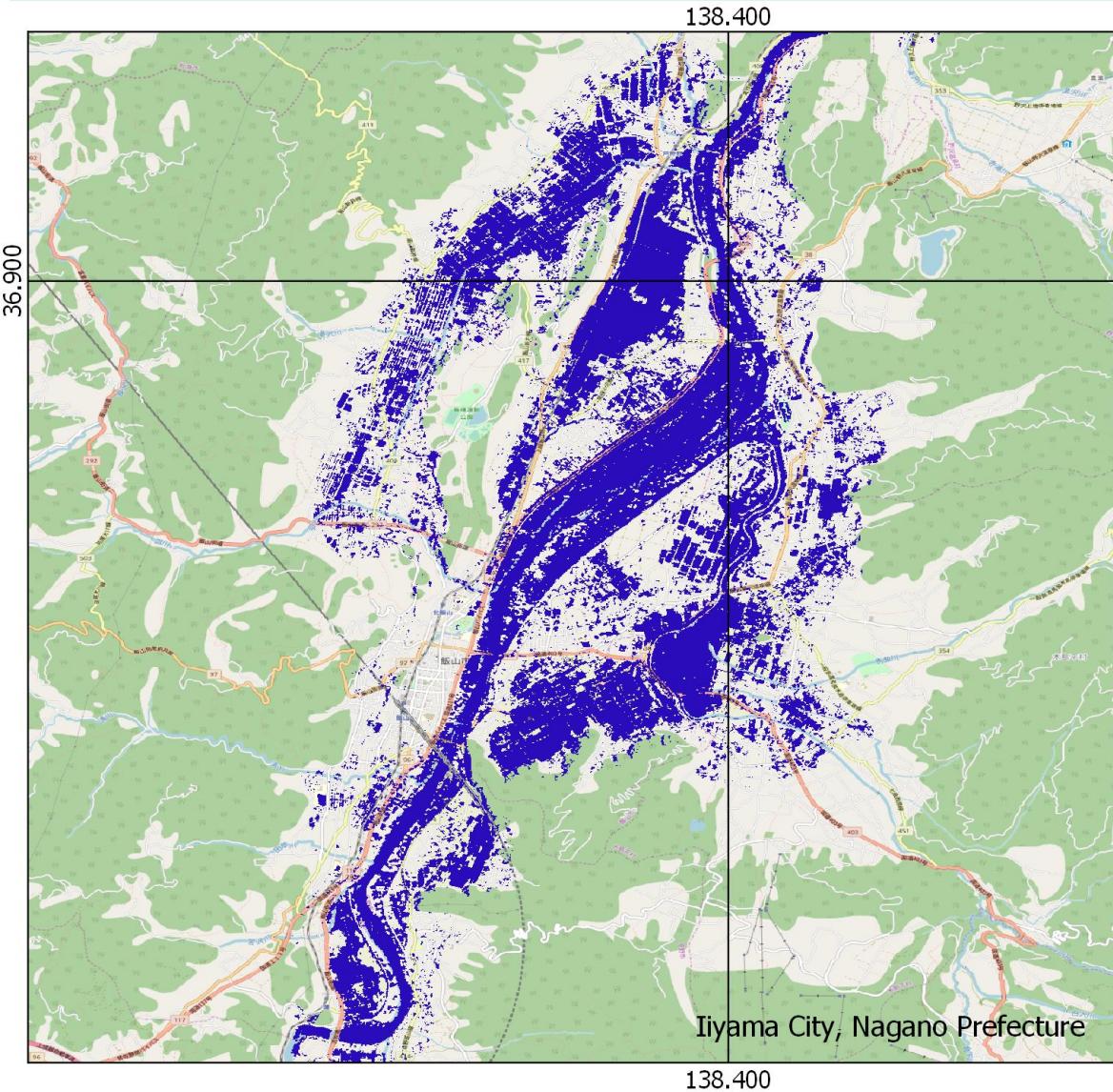
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- Differential SAR interferometry (DInSAR)
- Interferometric coherence change

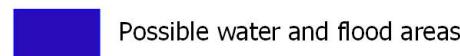




Detected water areas using ALOS-2/PALSAR-2 in Nagano prefecture, Japan



Map information



Data source

Image: ALOS-2/PALSAR-2

Image date: 2019-10-13

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0 750 1500 m



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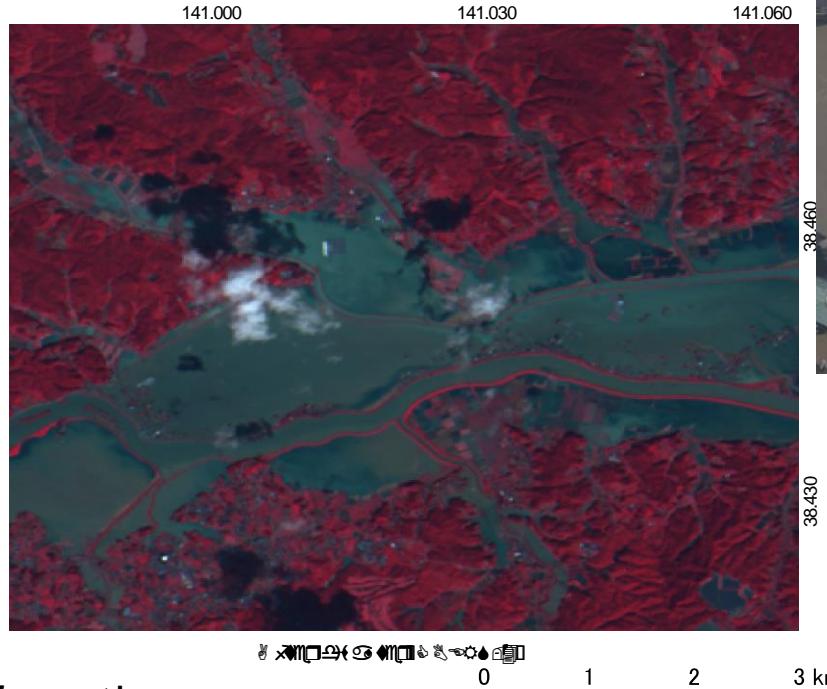
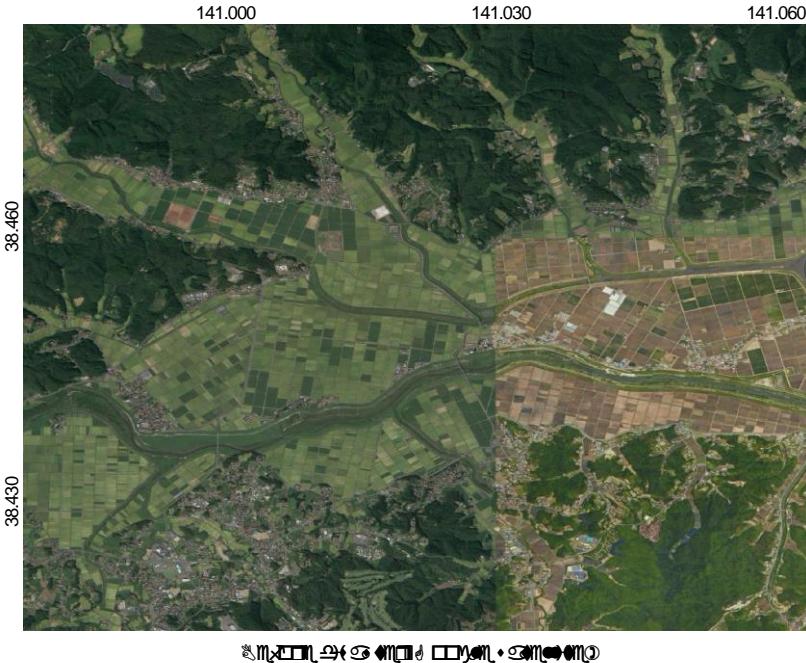
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Chikuma River

<https://www.sankei.com/region/news/191014/rgn1910140014-n1.html>

Possible flooded area using CBERS- 4 in Oosato- cho,Miyagi prefecture,Japan



Yoshida River

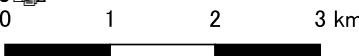
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Map information



Data source



Fire Vulnerability by Remote Sensing in Myanmar

- Fire, the **most frequent disaster** of Myanmar as on average, approximately 900 cases are reported every year
- 71 % of annual damages and loss
- Amount of damage and **loss** due to fire is approximately
- **1 billion kyats** (about 1,000,000 USD) (Hazard Profile, 2009).

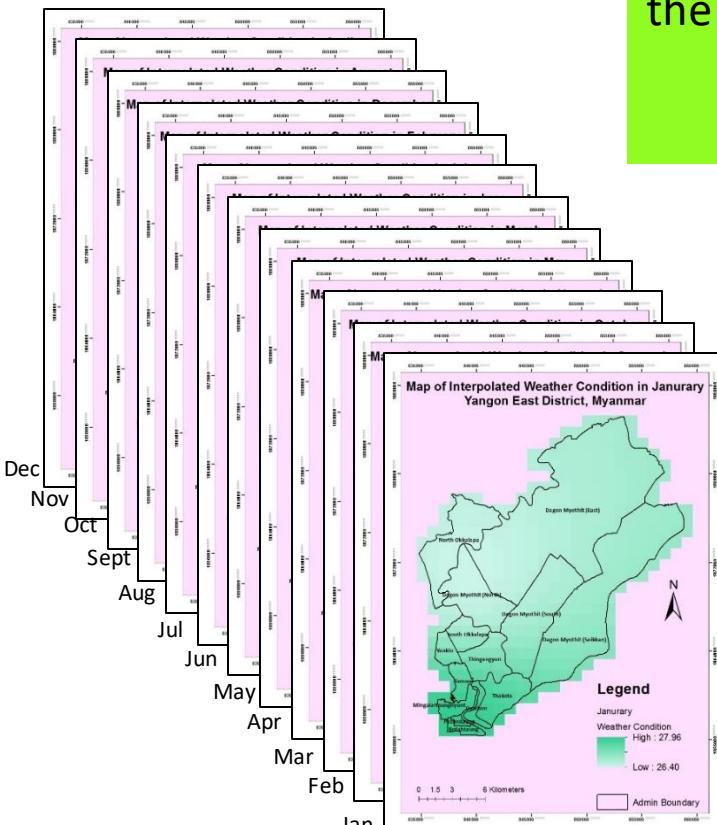


Image Source : Myanmar Fire Service Department

Fire Vulnerability by Remote Sensing in Myanmar

- based on the observation to the past fire incidences, the frequency of the incidences was varied all the time along with the changes of temperature and precipitation
- vulnerable area can be dynamically changed in the study area as of the monthly weather changes occurred
- the monthly and dynamic result maps for urban fire vulnerability can be generated for the study area

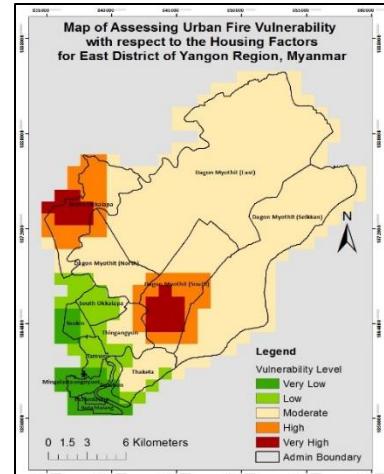
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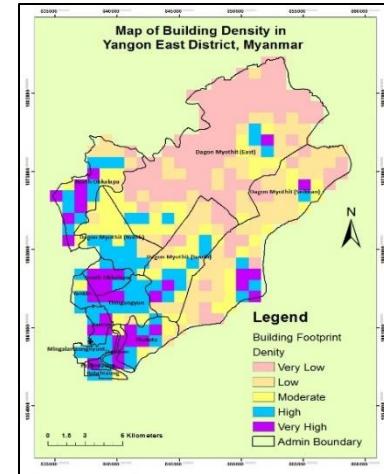
Map of assessing

$$\text{the urban fire vulnerability} = (0.14 \times \text{Weather}) + (0.33 \times \text{Housing Factors}) + (0.52 \times \text{Building Density})$$

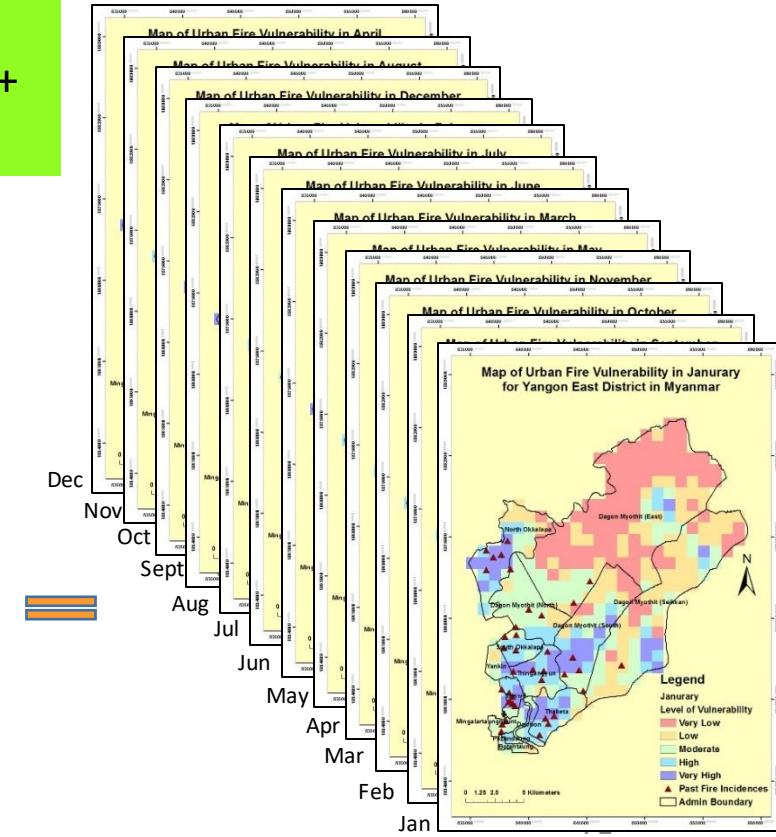
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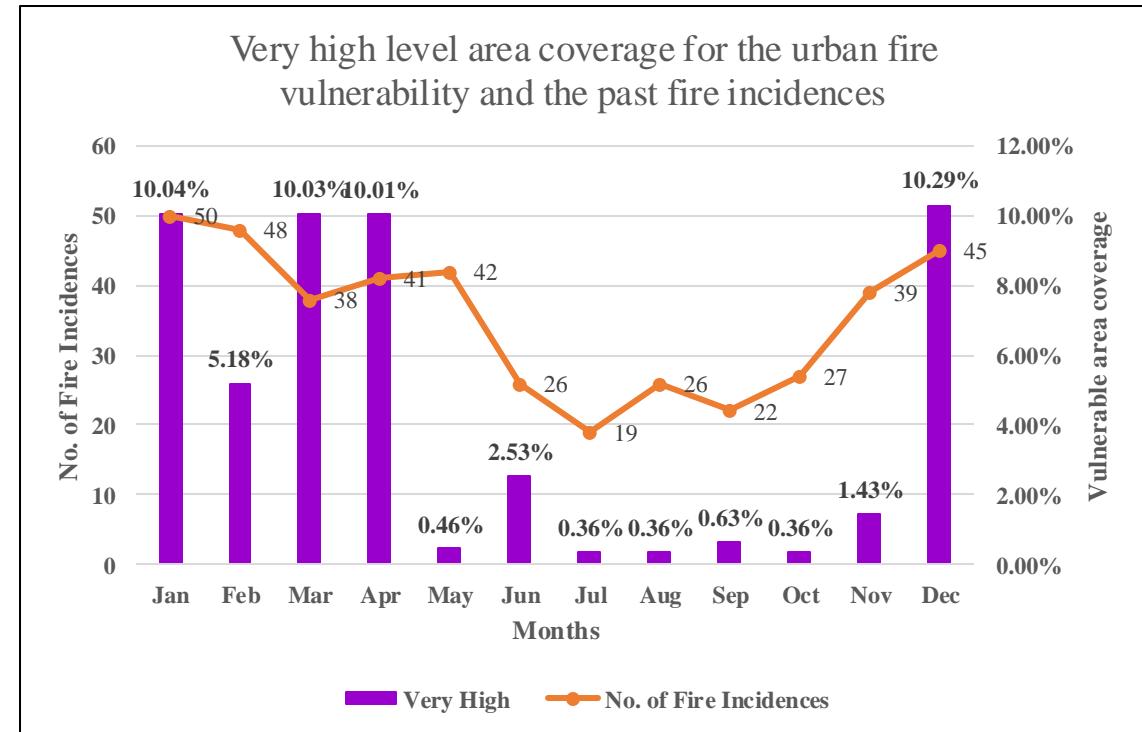
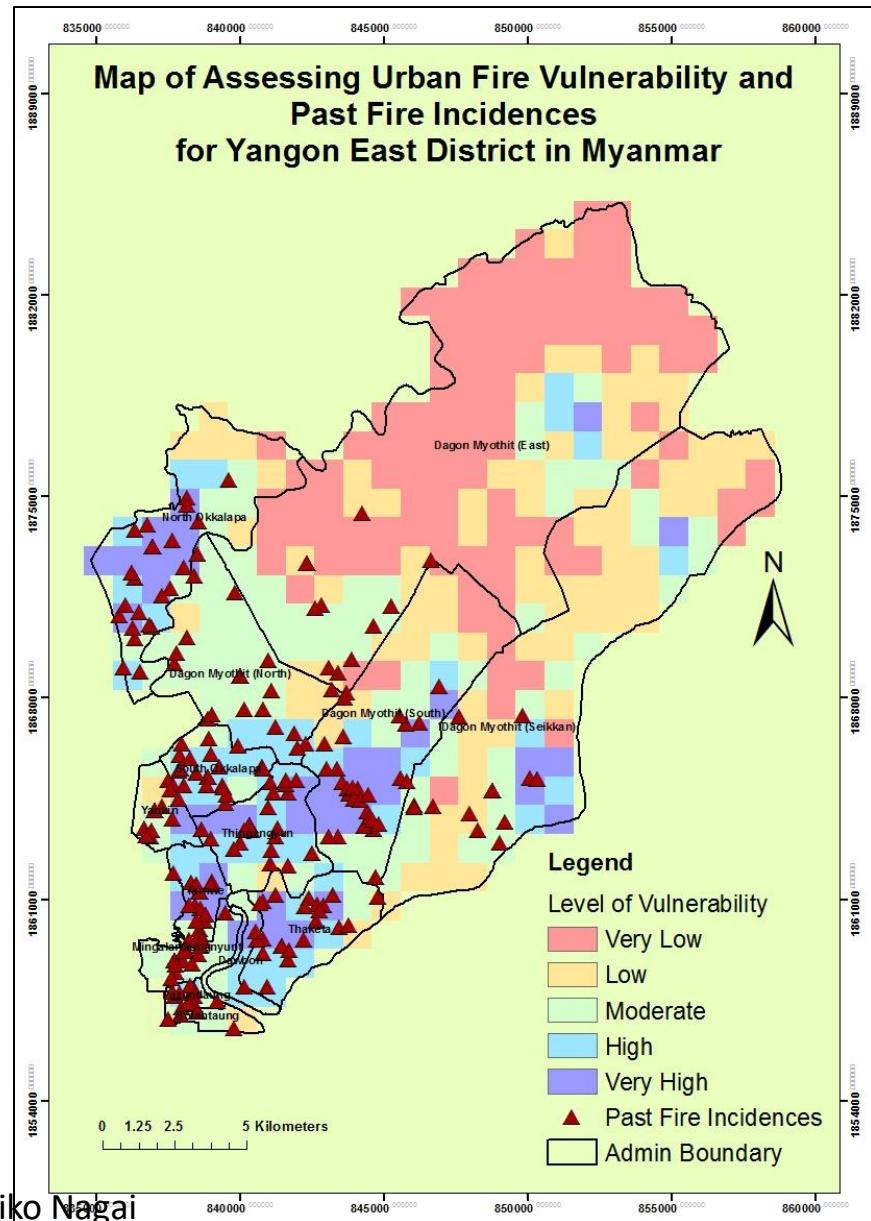
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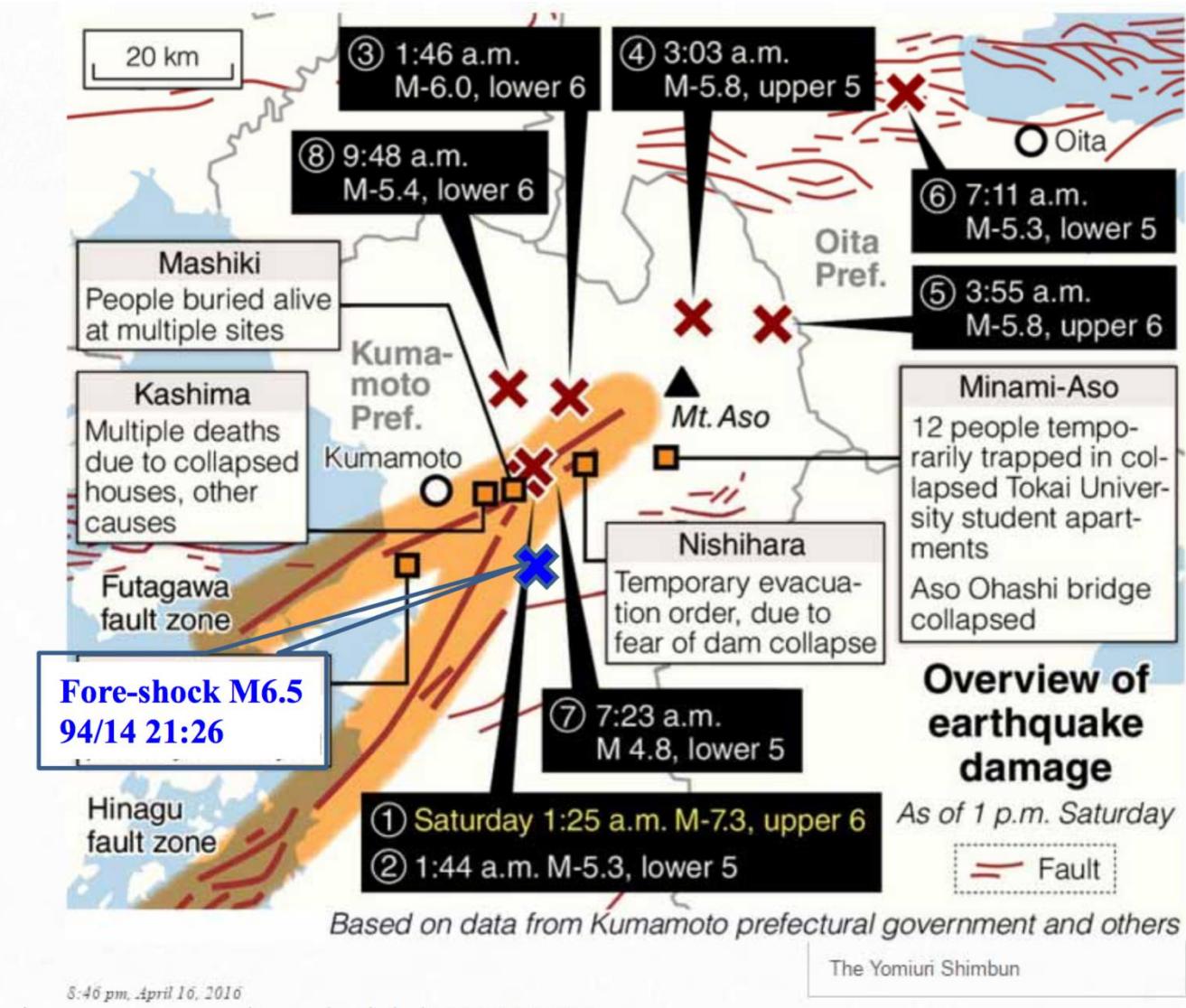
Seasonal Maps of Urban Fire Vulnerability



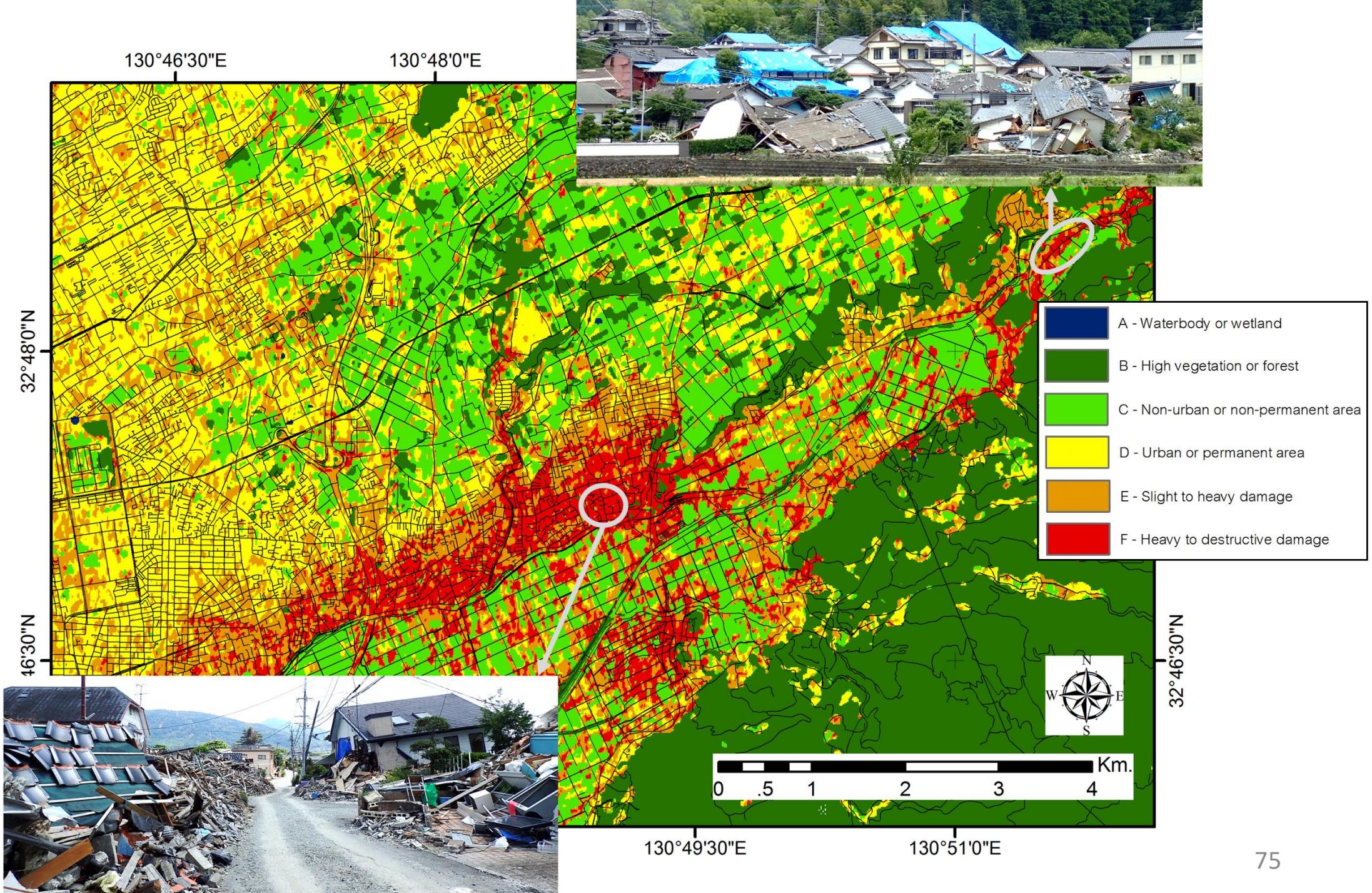
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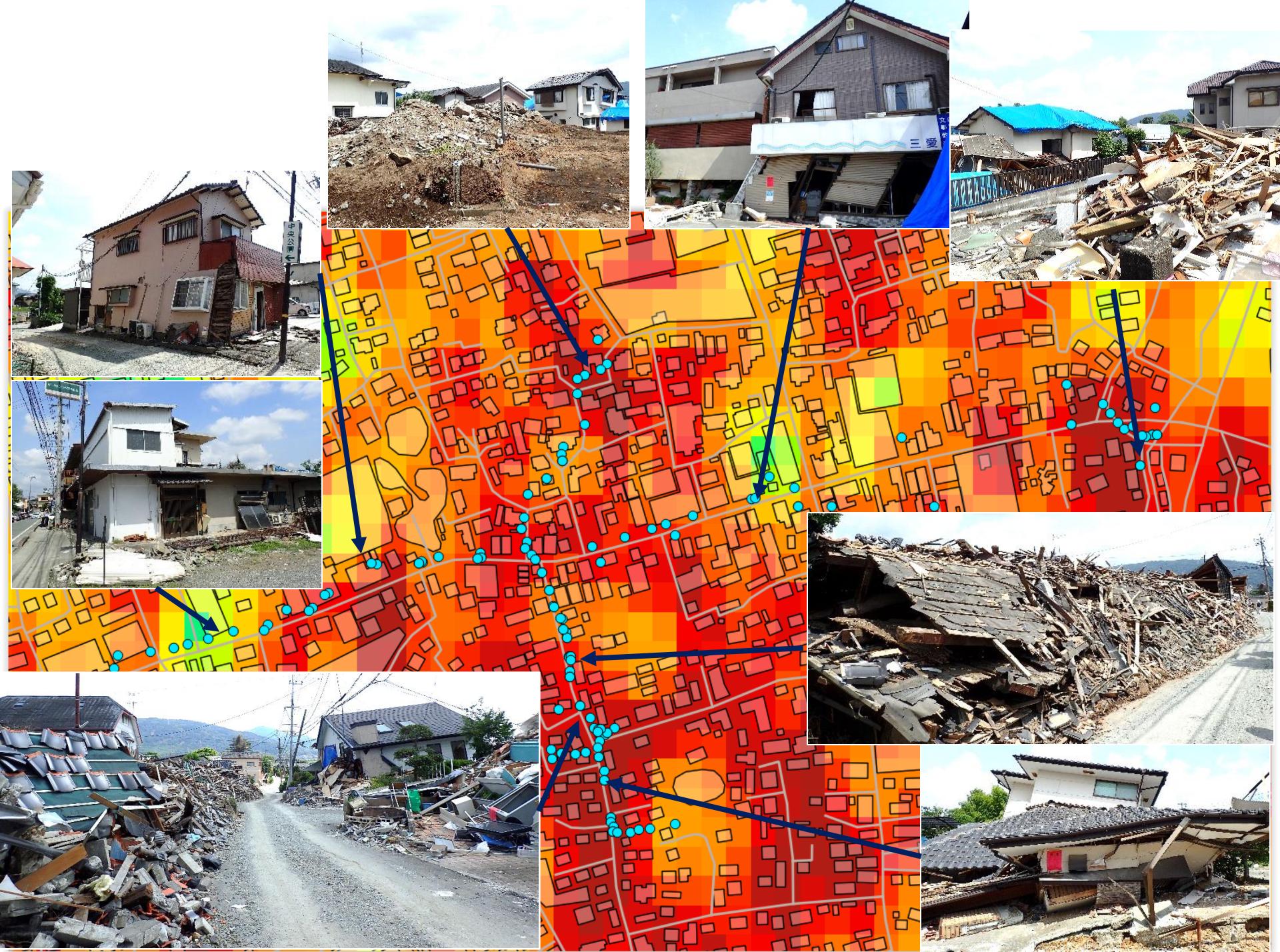


Earthquake in Kumamoto, Japan

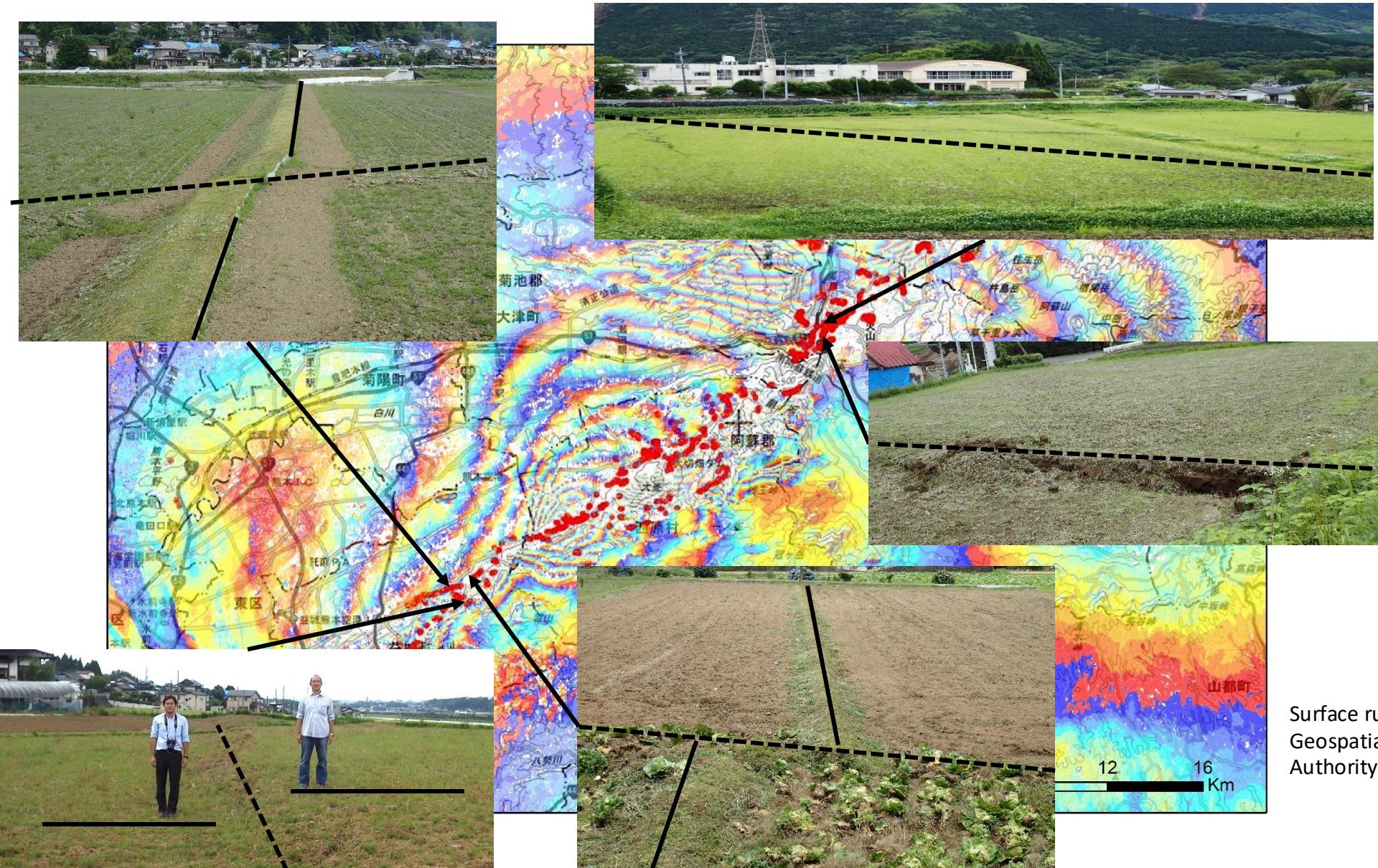
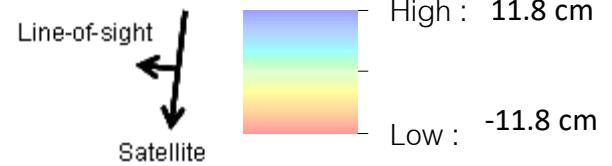




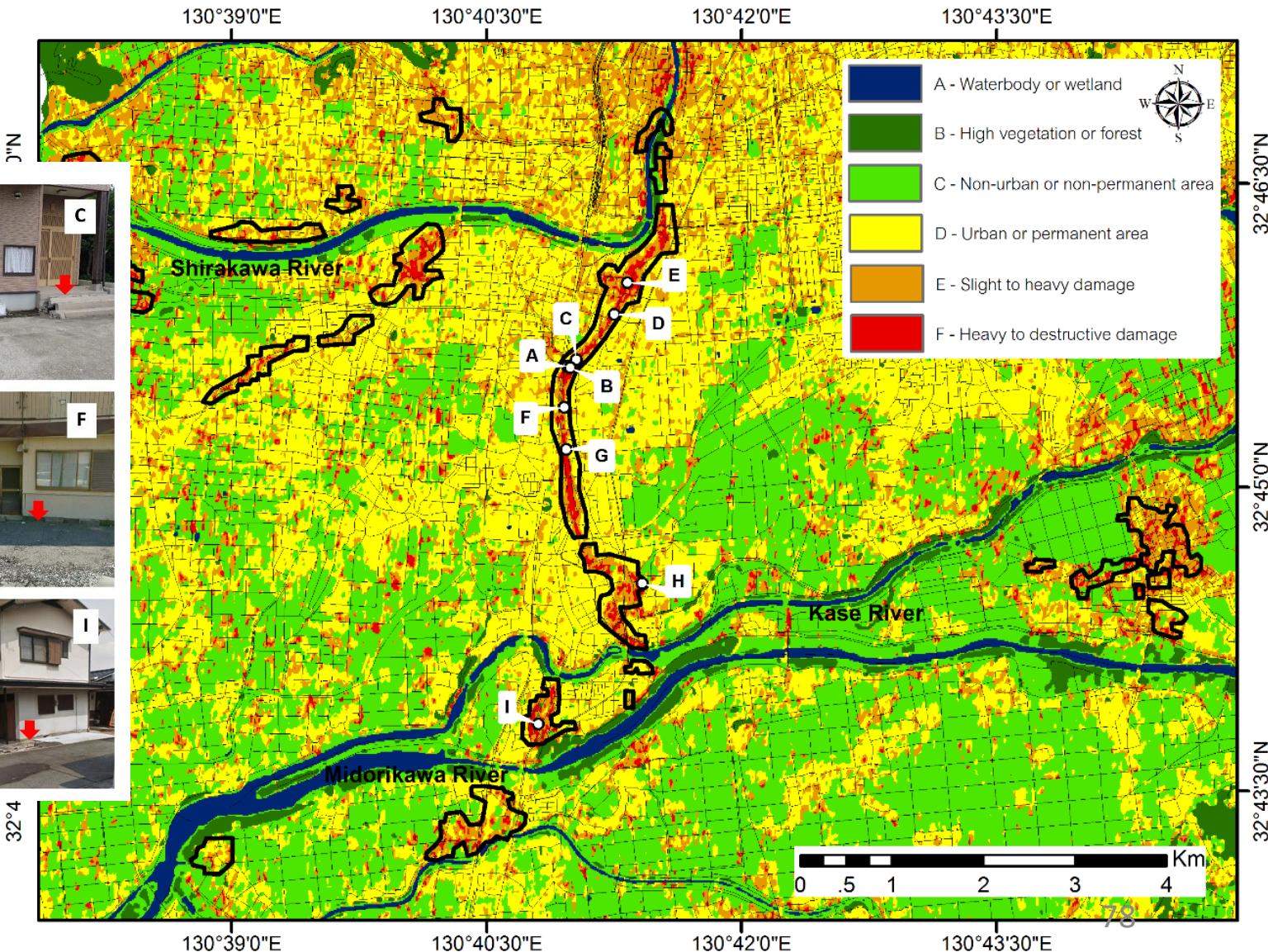
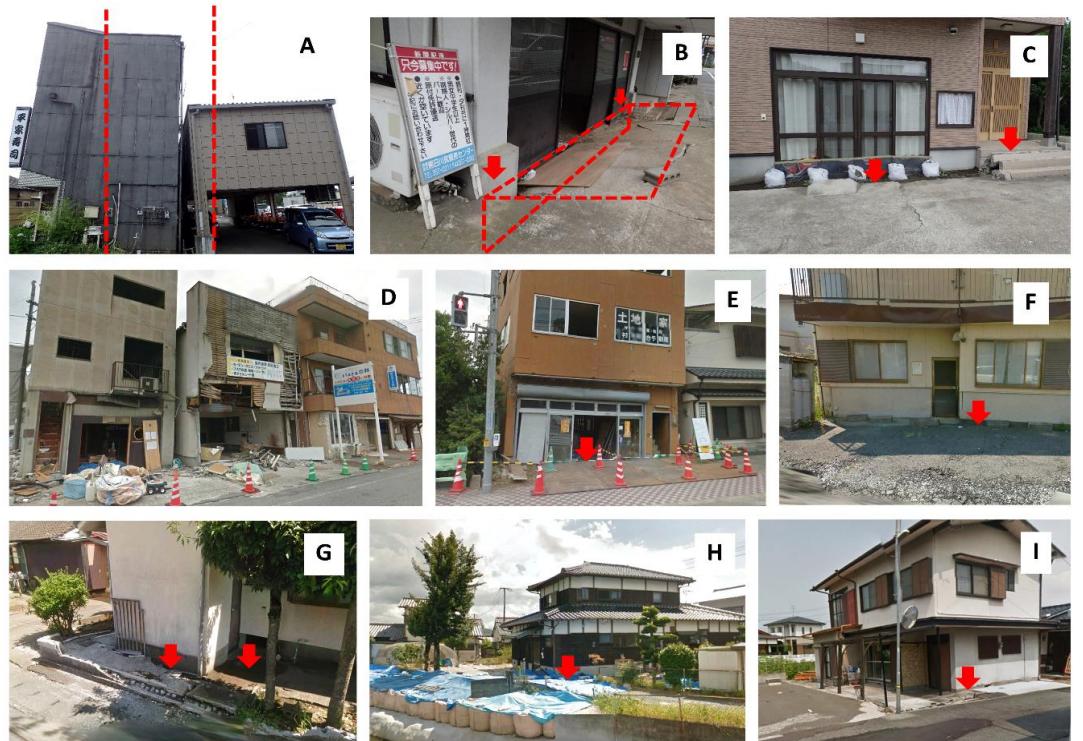




Detection of Surface Ruptures



Detection of Liquefactions

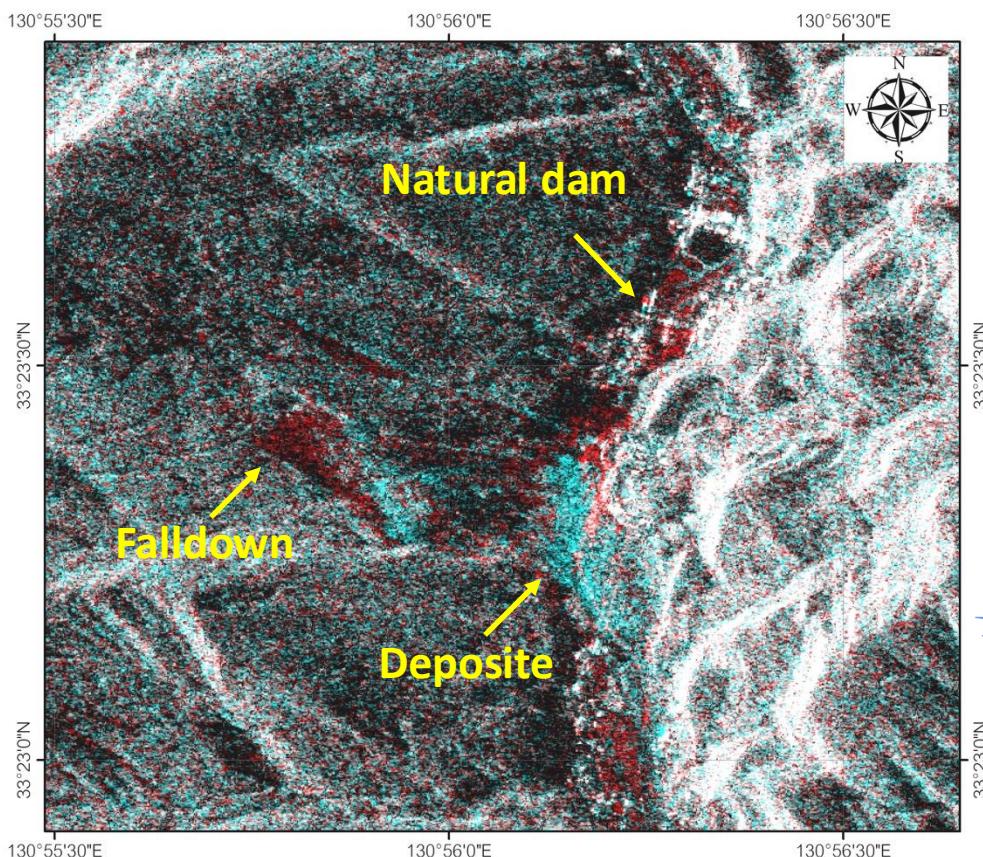


Landslide in Ohita, Japan

Landslide detection

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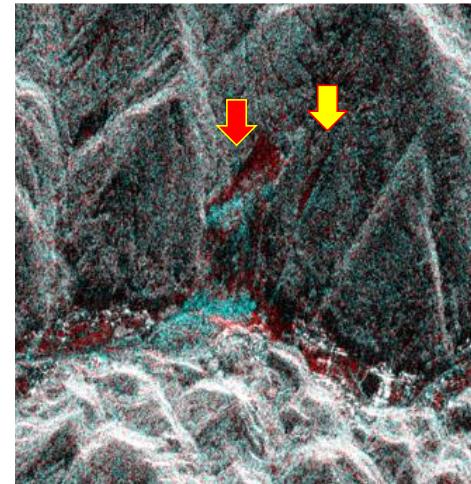
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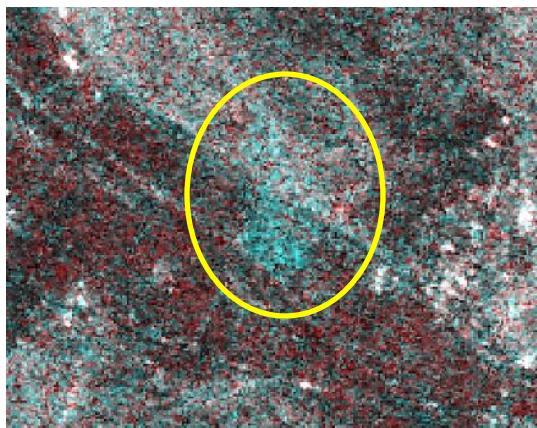
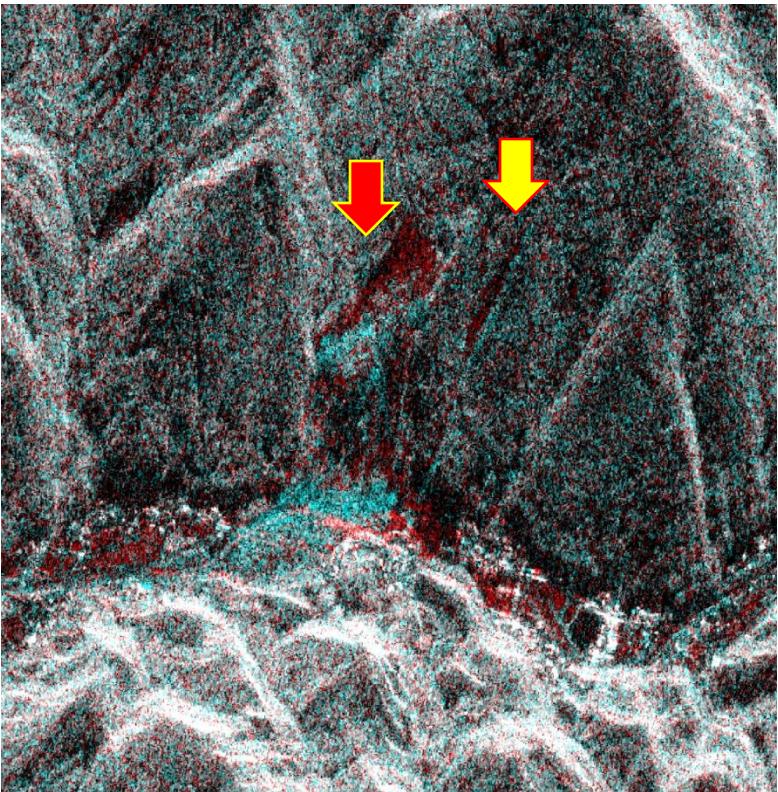


Data:
ALOS-2@JAXA

Before event
2016/04/29

After event
2017/07/07





Heavy Rain (5th to 6th July, 2017) in Kyushu, Activity in Yamaguchi University

7th July 12:53 Observation by ALOS-2

↓ 2 Hours

7th July 14:50 Data Provision from JAXA

Automatic process

↓ **0.5 HOUR** Data download in YU

7th July 17:00 Data Download Com
(6.4 GB × 6)

Automatic process

↓ **1.0 HOUR** Single look complex (SLC) Level 1.1
→ multi-look image level 1.5
→ Ortho Rectify Level 2.1
→ Data Analysis, Color Composite Image

7th July 20:00 Data Analysis Completed
Close collaboration with Local Government

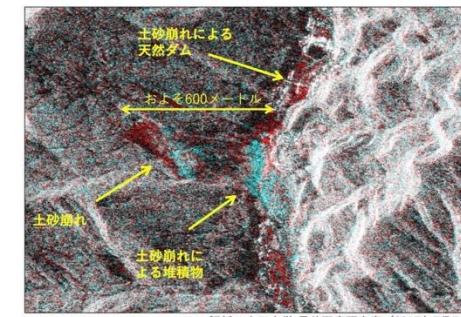
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7th July 23:00 Validation Completed, Provide to Local Government



2.5 HOUR

大分県日田市の小野地区の土砂崩れ



Summary

- ① Enables us to know the condition without visiting the area.
- ② Enables to observe broad area at a time.
- ③ Enables us to know invisible information.
- ④ Enables to observe the area for a long period.