

Grant Aid for Environment and Climate Change
for the Independent State of Papua New Guinea

- The Forest Preservation Programme -

April, 2011

JICS: Japan International Cooperation System
Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd (Consultant)

Forest Preservation Programme (FPP) Grant Aid Objective Components

Objectives

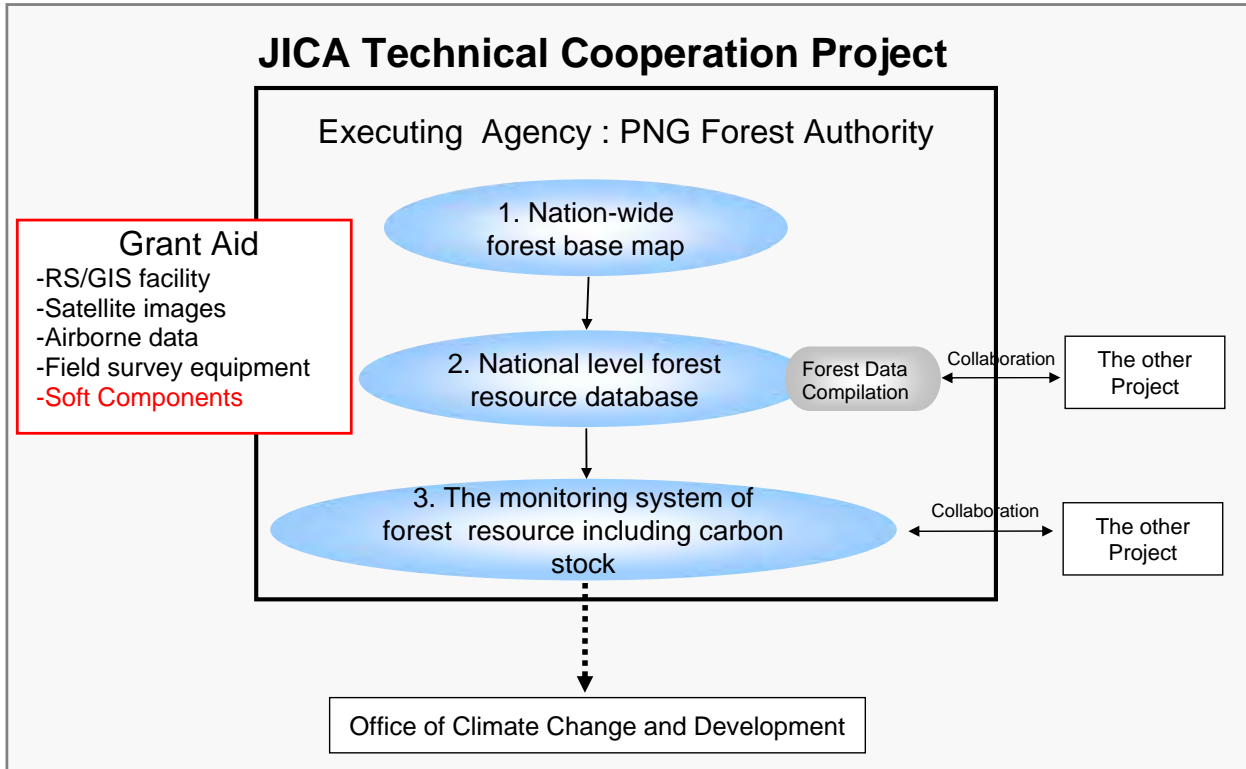
- 1) Forest Basemap Development
- 2) Forest State Monitoring

To Implement

Components

- 1) Equipment Procurement
 - **Items & Numbers** are proposed from JICS/consultant based on the application from PNGFA (July,2010) and the result of discussion (December,2010)
 - Item & Numbers (draft) **will be decided at the committee**
- 2) Soft Component (Technical Assistance)
 - **Scope & Activities** to go will be discussed between PNGFA & JICS/consultant based on the equipment procurement agreement
 - Deep/Close **discussion with JICA** Technical Cooperation for detail plan

JICA Technical Cooperation Project & Grant Aid “Forest Preservation Programme”



Forest Preservation Programme (FPP) Grant Aid Schedule (Tentative)

	2010							2011									2012	
	3	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		3
E/N	▼																	
A/A		▼																
Detail Design Study						■												
Internal Analyzing / Preparing Tender Doc								▬										
Selection of the goods											▼							
Consultative Committee											▼							
Finalizing Tender Doc												▬						
Posting of GPN													▬					
Distribution of Tender Documents														▬				
Tender Opening															▼			
Tender Evaluation																▬		
Conclusion of Contract																▽		
Manufacturing Lead Time																	▬	
Transportation																		▬
Arrival of the goods																		▼
Payment																		▼

Applied & Proposing Equipments: A) GIS related

Item		Remarks
A) GIS related equipment; hardware/software		
A-1	Computer Hi-Tech (GIS Capacity)	Desktop PC
A-2	Laptop	Laptop PC
A-3	GPS (Mobile Mapper)	Portable GPS
A-4	A3 Printer (Color)	
A-5	A3 Scanner	
-	A1 Scanner	
A-6	A0 Scanner	
A-7	A0 Plotter	
A-8	Data Server	
-	ER Mapper license & backup software	Included in ERDAS Pro.
A-9	ERDAS	Level & Extensions
A-10	eCognition	Several license type
A-11	ArcGIS license	Level & Extensions
A-12	ArcGIS Server	For Web data-sharing
A-13	Database Management System	MS SQL Server
A-14	Integrated Development Environment	MS Visual Studio
A-15	MapInfo Upgrade	Minimum upgrade
-	Satellite Imagery (SPOT/ALOS)	No archive
A-16	Satellite Imagery 2010 (ALOS/PALSAR)	332 scene (tentative)
A-17	Satellite Imagery 2010 (RapidEye)	1055 tile
A-18	Satellite Imagery 2007 (ALOS/PALSAR)	332 scene (tentative)
A-19	Airborne RADAR Data	DTM & DSM
A-20	Airborne LiDAR Data	Validation/verification

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Applied & Proposing Equipments: B) Surveying C) Others

Item		Remarks
B) Surveying (Ground Truthing)		
B-1	Compass	
B-2	Clinometer	
B-3	Diameter Tape (10m)	
B-4	Distance Tape (100m)	
B-5	Distance Tape (50m)	
B-6	Digital Camera	
B-7	Wedge Prism (Angle Count) Factor 1 & 2	
-	Realacope	Unable to procure JPN/PNG
B-8	Hypsometer	Substitute of Realacope
-	Chain (elastic)	same with distance tape (Fibre)
B-9	Wood density measurement	Desitometer
C) Other Equipments		
C-1	Storage	
C-2	Cabinet (with longitudinal doors)	
C-3	Cabinet (with horizontal drawers)	
C-4	Multimedia Projector	Not include mic
C-5	Portable Generator	

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Forest Monitoring: Overall Concept

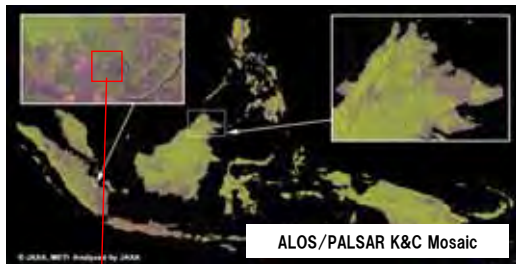
Background & Needs

National Level Forest Resource Monitoring
Forest Resource Basemap for Biomass/Carbon Estimation

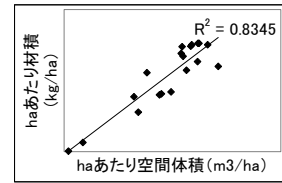
Challenges & Countermeasures

Overall Comprehension using Radar Satellite (ALOS/PALSAR)
Biomass/Carbon Modeling & Estimation by Sampling Analysis

National Level Forest Monitoring with Radar Satellite



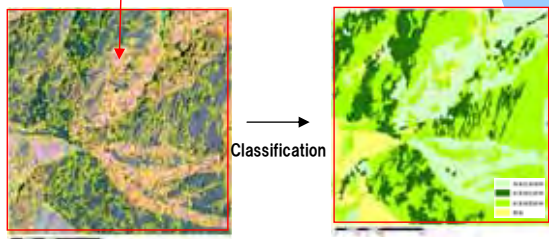
Biomass/Carbon Modeling based on Spatial Volume



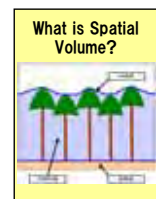
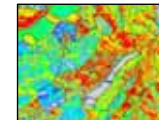
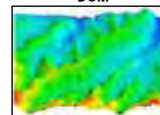
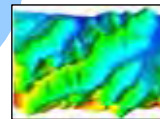
Nation-wide Expansion

Multi Platform Sensing

Forest Basemap Development with Optical Satellite



Sampling Analysis for Spatial Volume Estimation



2D: Area of Forest/Vegetation Type

3D: Spatial Volume for Carbon

Forest Monitoring: Benchmark Map & Change Detection

Background & Needs

Accurate Forest Base-map for Forest Management & Development Planning
Sustainable Monitoring System for Forest Change (Deforestation) Detection

Challenges & Countermeasures

Developing Forest Base-map with Constellation of Optical Satellites
Change Detection with Multi-temporal Radar Image (ALOS/PALSAR)

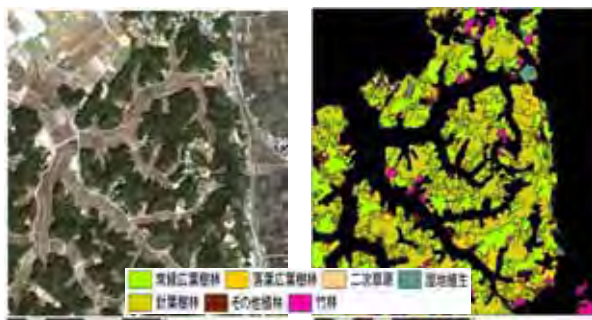
Constellation of Optical Satellites



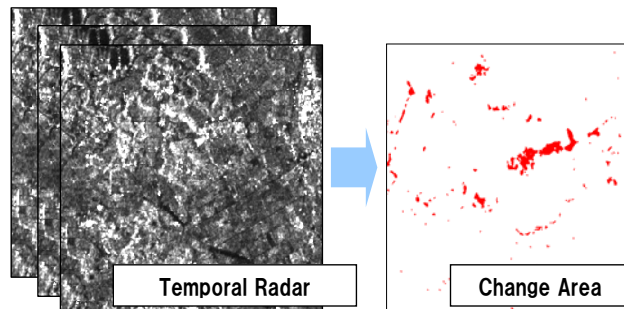
Weather-independent of Radar Satellite



Vegetation Type Classification for Forest Benchmark map



Change Detection with Multi-temporal Radar



Benchmark Map by Optical Satellite

Change Detection by Radar Satellite

Target Analysis for Forest Monitoring in PNG

【To-Be】
1. National forest resource basemap is developed & utilized

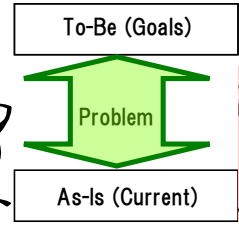
【To-Be】
2. National level forest resource GIS/Database is developed & utilized

【To-Be】
3. Carbon/Biomass stock is estimated for

【Problem】
-PNGFA does not have data and facility to develop
-Need time to develop national level map

【Problem】
-The work flow does not fit with FIMS any more
•Existing data are not well compiled into the system

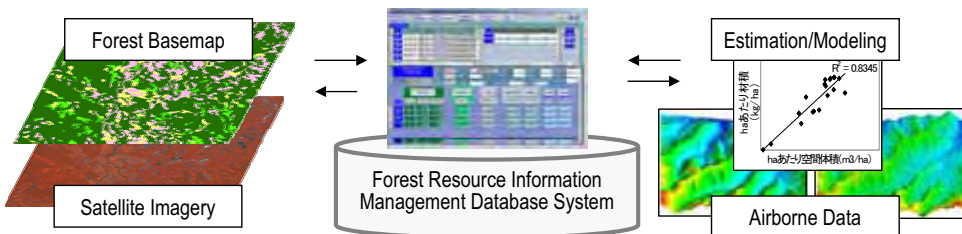
【Problem】
-More than 90 % of PNG land is customary land
•No access road to do field survey for whole country



【As-Is】
1. National level forest basemap is not developed since 1972

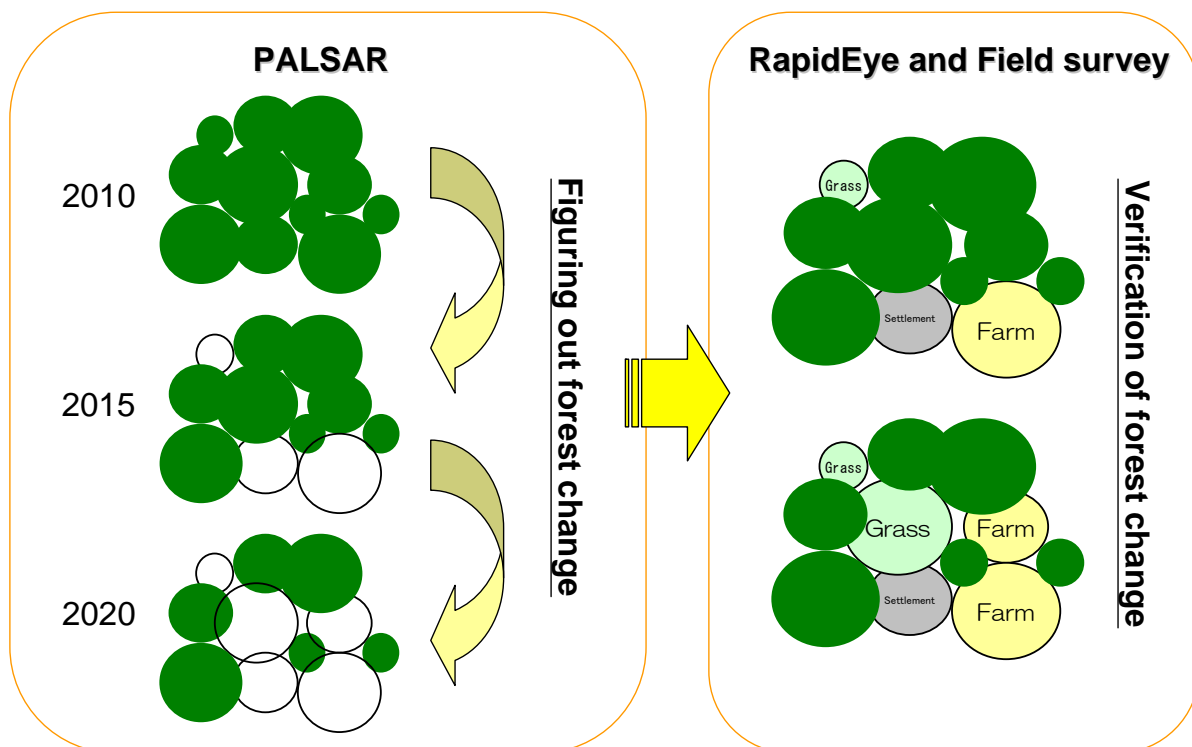
【As-Is】
2. FIMS (Forest Inventory Mapping System) is not updated since 1998

【As-Is】
3. Carbon stock estimation is necessary but no good data for it


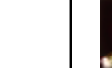




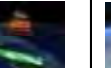




Basic Concept for Forest Monitoring

- Proposed monitoring system -



Satellite Imagery Comparison

Satellite	Terra (Aqua)		LANDSAT(5/7)		ALOS			SPOT(2/4/5)	RapidEye
Sensor	MODIS (Optical)	ASTER (Optical)	TM (Optical)	ETM+ (Optical)	PRISM (Optical)	AVNIR-2 (Optical)	PALSAR (Radar (SAR))	HRVIR (Optical)	RapidEye (Optical)
Overview									
Resolution	250m (Visible - Near-infrared) 500m (Visible - Shortwave infrared) 1,000m (Visible - Thermal infrared)	15m (Visible - Near-infrared) 30m (Shortwave infrared) 90m (Thermal infrared)	30m (Visible - Short-wave infrared) 120m (Thermal infrared)	15m (Panchromatic) 30m (Visible - Shortwave infrared) 60m (Thermal infrared)	2.5m (Panchromatic)	10 m (Visible - Near-infrared)	10m (High resolution) 25m (Multiple polarizations) 100m (Wide area observation)	2.5m/5 m (Panchromatic) 10m (Visible - Near-infrared) 20m (Mid-infrared)	6.5m (Multi spectral) 5m (After resampling)
Swath width	2,330km	60km	185km	185km	70km (Nadir) 35km (Triplet)	70 km (Nadir)	700m (High resolution) 20km (Multiple polarizations) 250~350km (Wide observation area)	60km	78km
Revisit cycle /Frequency	16 days /Daily	16 days	16 days	16 days	46 days	46 days /Within 3 days	46 days	26 days /Within 3 days	5 days
Providing Agency	JAXA	ERSDAC	USGS		RESTEC			Tokyo SPOT Image K.K.	Japan Space Imaging Co.
Web site	http://kuroshio.eorc.jaxa.jp/ADEQ/S/mod_nrt/index.html	http://imsweb.asr.ersdac.or.jp/ims/html/MainMenu/MainMenu.i.htm	http://earthexplorer.usgs.gov		https://cross.restec.or.jp/			http://sirius.spotimage.fr/PageSearch.aspx?language=UK	http://www.spacimaging.co.jp/
Features	Able to make observations on a daily basis.	Equipped with a number of bands. Have proven past results in resource exploration and vegetation analysis.	Able to make observations for a relatively wide area with high resolution. Have proven past results in land-use map development.	Equipped with TM and panchromatic sensors.	Able to conduct Triplet/Nadir & Backward stereo observations.	Able to make observations for emergent situations using pointing function.	Equipped with an all-weather sensor.	Commercialization in combination with DEM. Guarantee of quality.	Equipped with Red edge band, which is highly reactive to chlorophyll.
Notes				Data gaps are included because the sensor was broken in July, 2003.				Prices are high because satellites are commercial.	

Satellite & Airborne Characteristic

Type	Satellite/Sensor	Advantage	Disadvantage	Usage
Mid Resolution	LANDSAT	Free, archive, wide coverage	Limitation of interpretation/classify	Analysis in the past
National Level	ALOS/ PRISM&AVNIR2	Good panchro resolution, value added service	Pan & MS are different sensor	National level development
	SPOT5	Comparing with past, abundant archive	Expensive (cmp. to ALOS), No blue band	National level development /partly update
High Resolution	RapidEye	Quick collection, Good MS resolution, RedEdge band	No Pan imagery, few archive imagery, no experiences, sub-distributor system	Urgent/Short term development (new tasking)
Very High Resolution (VHR)	QuickBird GeoEye	Possible to interpret tree kinds, village roads	Expensive, impossible to cover national level	Field survey complement, modeling validation
Airborne	LiDAR	DSM & DTM, high accuracy	Hilly area or high density area	Contribution for tree stand volume table
Radar/ SAR	ALOS/ PALSAR	Regularly, assured collection, strong for change detection	Limitation for using in mountain area	Regularly change monitoring

ALOS Information

- ✓ **Launch:**
Jan. 24, 2006 by H-2A Rocket #8
> exceed 4 years celebration

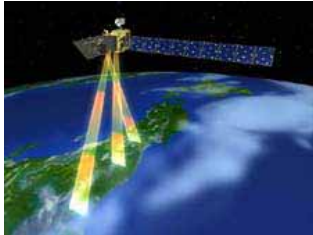
- ✓ **Objectives:**
 - Cartography (1/25,000 scale)
 - Regional environmental monitoring
 - Disaster monitoring, etc.

- ✓ **Three mission instruments:**
 - PRISM, AVNIR-2, PALSAR



PRISM

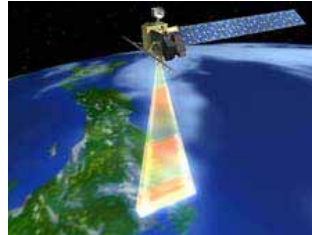
Panchromatic Remote sensing Instrument for Stereo Mapping



PRISM can acquire triplet stereo imageries by nadir-, forward, and backward-radiometers with 2.5m spatial resolution in 35km wide swath.

AVNIR-2

Advanced Visible and Near-Infrared Radiometer type 2



AVNIR-2 can observe with 10m resolution in 70km swath, and it can be changed the observation area by pointing capability within +/-44 degrees in across track.

PALSAR

Phased Array type L-band Synthetic Aperture Radar



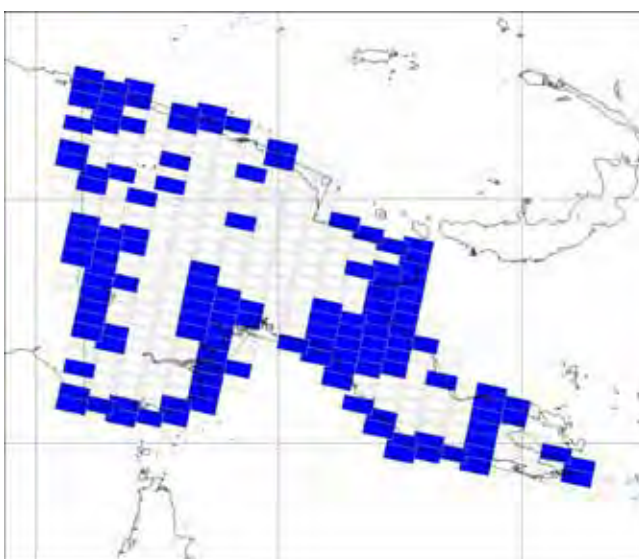
PALSAR can acquire the data in not only daytime but also nighttime as well as cloudy and rainy whether conditions.

Ref. JAXA Web

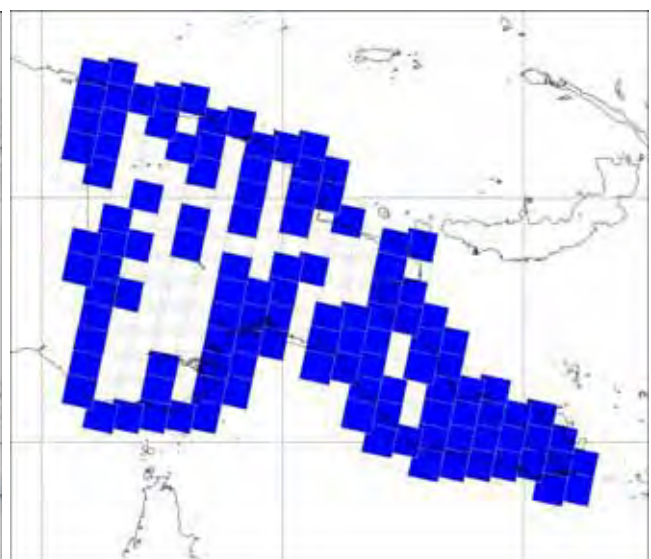
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ALOS Archive Situation

ALOS/PRISM 2006-2009



ALOS/AVNIR-2 2006-2009



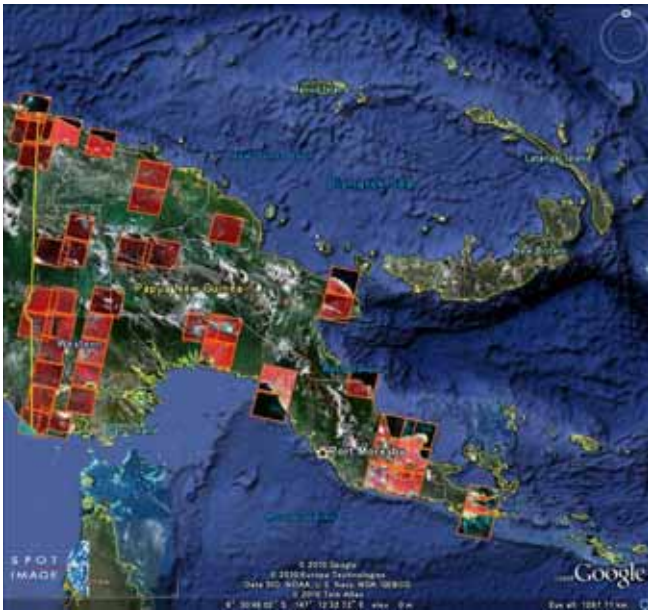
■ Collected with less than 20 % of cloud cover

ALOS optical sensors (PRISM & AVNIR-2) cannot cover whole country of PNG with good quality imagery even for several years

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SPOT Archive Situation

SPOT4 2002



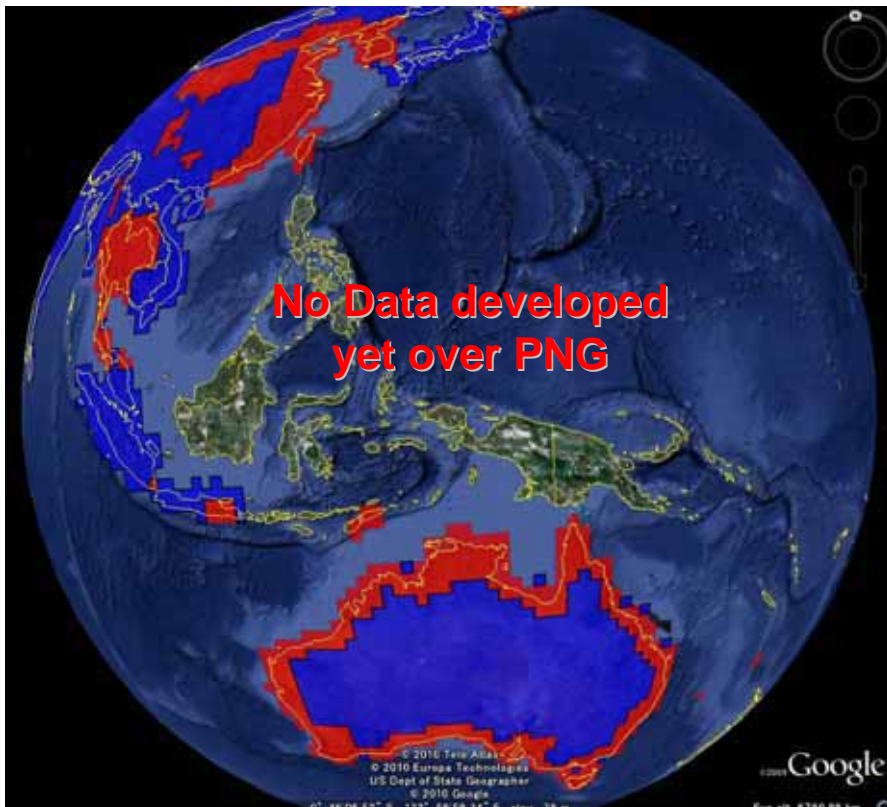
SPOT5 2008



Even SPOT cannot cover whole country of PNG well and they cannot assure to collect good quality imagery within a year

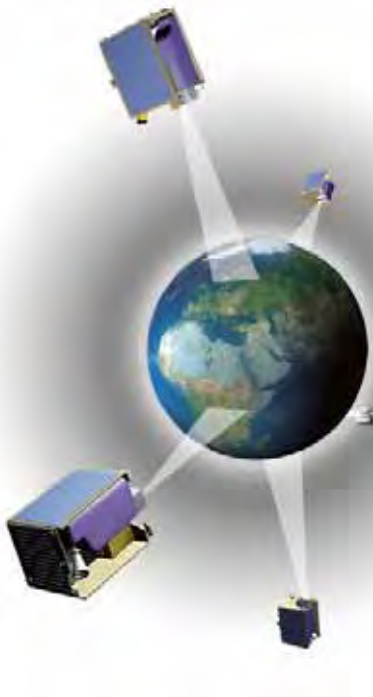
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SPOT Reference3D (SPOT DEM) Situation



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RapidEye Information



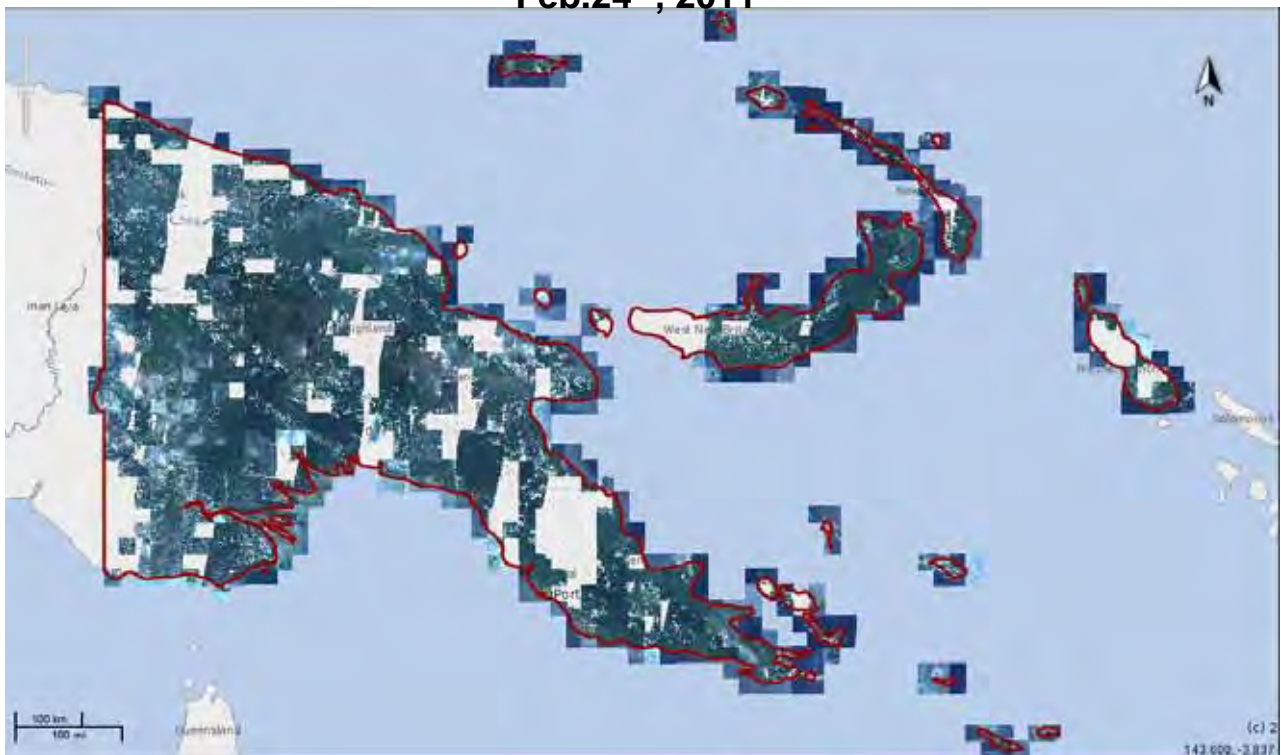
Orbit	620 km, sun synchronous
Number of Satellites	5
Spacecraft Mass	150 kg each
Image Data Downlink	>60 Mbps
Onboard Data Storage	>1500 km of image data
Max. Spacecraft Roll Angle	± 25 degrees
Payload Type	Push broom Optical Imager 5 Optical bands
Swath	78 km
Nadir Pixel Ground Sampling Distance	6.5 m
Global Revisit Time	1 day
Average Repeat Period (Europe and North America)	<5 days
DEM Generation Capability	Yes
Mission Life	7 Years

Ref. MDA Web

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RapidEye Archive Situation

Feb.24th, 2011



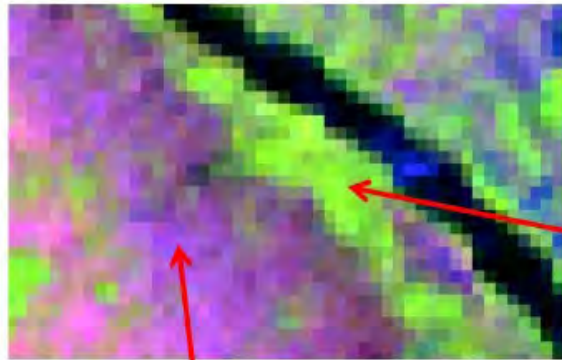
RapidEye (5 constellation satellites) is showing the ability to cover whole country of PNG within a year

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RapidEye Ability/Performance 1



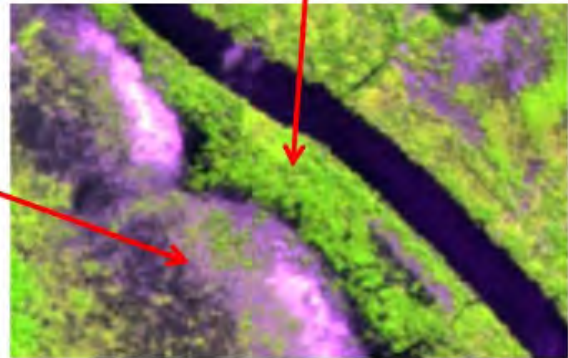
Forest types, canopy cover



Landsat, 30 meters

Riverine forest

Wetlands



RapidEye, 6.5 meters

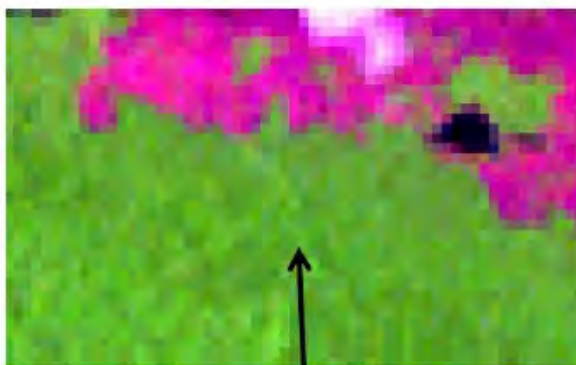


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RapidEye Ability/Performance 2



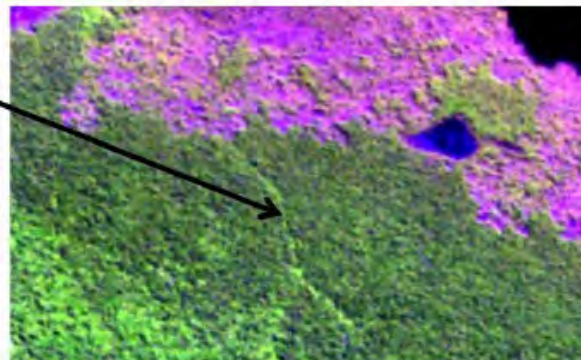
Illegal logging



Landsat, 30 meters

RapidEye, 6.5 meters

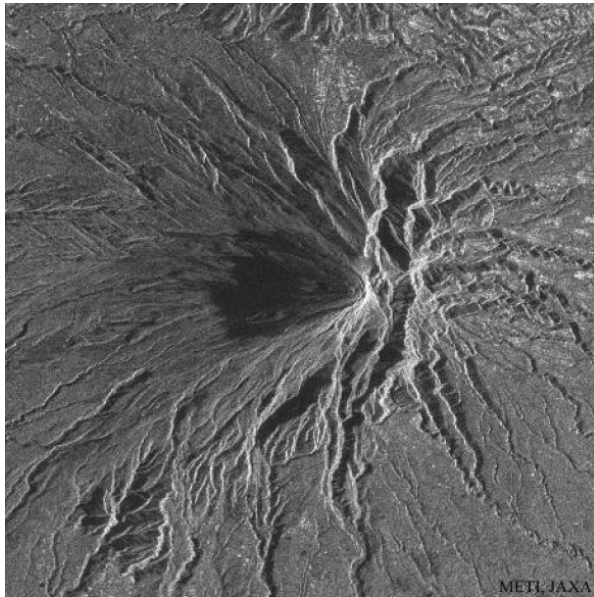
Illegal logging trail



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Radar Satellite: Weather Independent

Volcano MERAPI, Indonesia (2006/4/29) with Clouds



PALSAR



AVNIR-2



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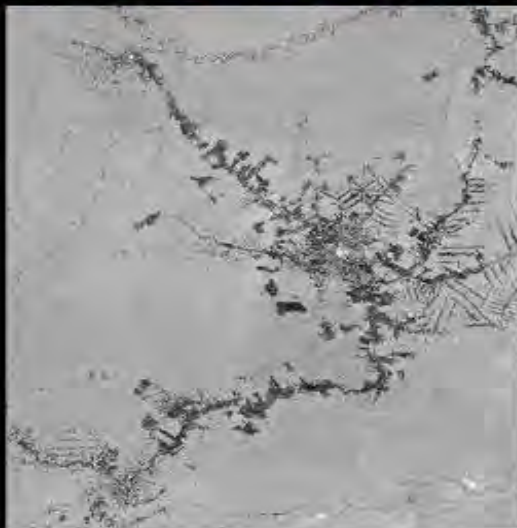
Radar satellite can monitor in any weather

Ref. JAXA Web

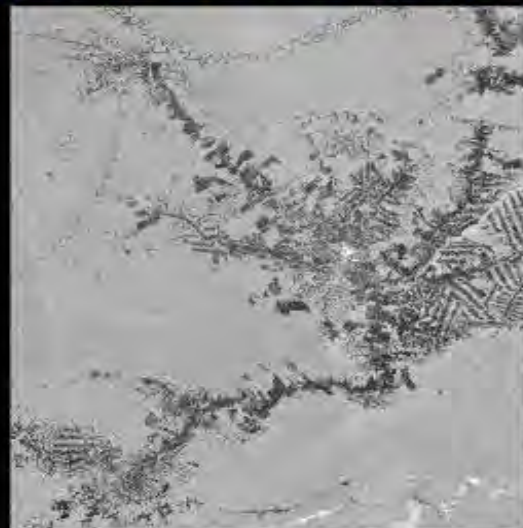
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Radar Satellite: Change Detection

アマゾン西ロンドニア地方森林伐採領域の変化



JERS-1/SAR : Sep/Dec, 1995



PALSAR : May/Aug, 2006

0 100km



Radar satellite is strong for change detection

	画素数		画像面積 [km ²]	伐採域の 抽出画素数	伐採域面積 [km ²]
	pixel	line			
JERS	2471	2949	72869.8	433590	4335.9
PALSAR	2286	2707	61882.0	629915	6299.2
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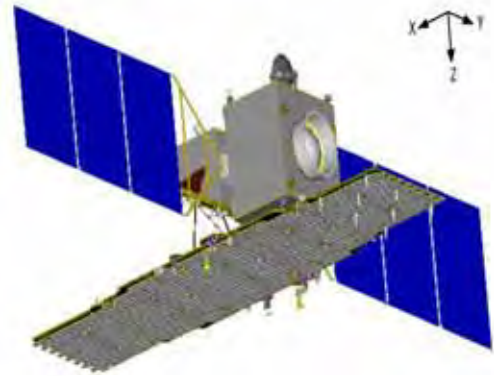
ALOS-2 and ALOS-3 Information

ALOS F/O Mission: ALOS-2 (SAR) and ALOS-3 (Optical)

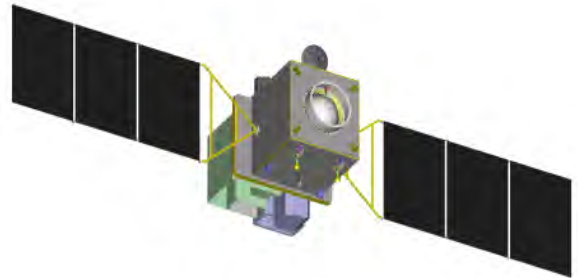
- National land monitoring and managements
- Resources managements
- Disaster monitoring
- ALOS-2 is planned to be launch in 2012-13, and ALOS-3 is hoped in 2014-15 (TBD)

Current System Concept (under investigation)

- Monitoring disaster area affected by earthquake, volcano, flood, etc.
- Observing the disaster affected area within 3 hr (6 hr in night)
- A satellite constellation of two optical sensor satellites and two SAR satellites
- ALOS-2: 3m resolution (3x1m in spotlight mode) with 50km swath (SAR)
- ALOS-3: Panchromatic - 0.8m resolution in 50km swath; multi - 5m in 90km swath; and hyper-spectral 30m in 30km swath (TBD)



ALOS-2: SAR Satellite



ALOS-3: Optical Sensor Satellite

Forest Monitoring Practice for REDD+

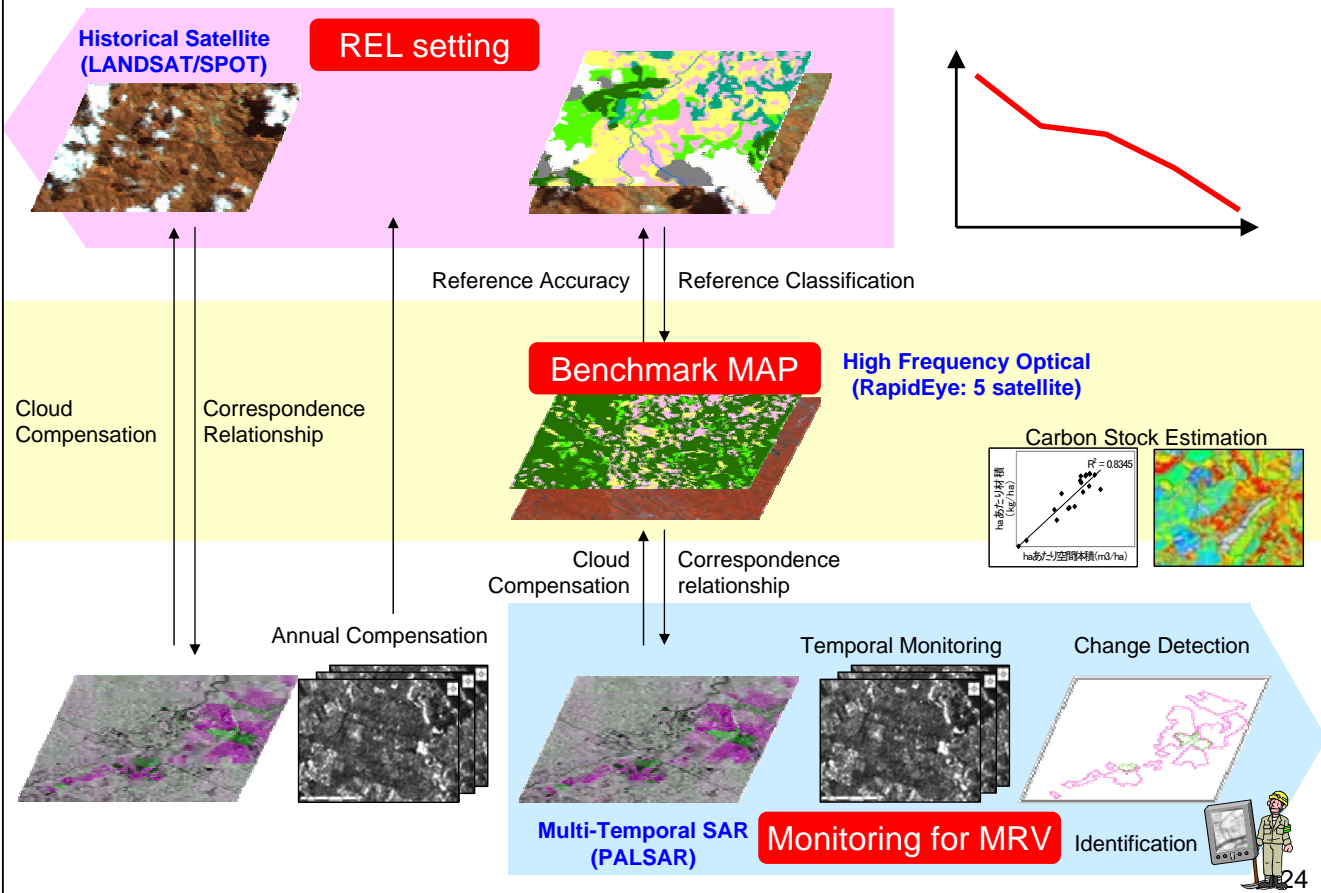


Image processing manual using RapidEye and PALSAR around Milne Bay

1. General procedure of using ERDAS Imagine

1-1. Menu

Execute ERDAS Imagine click this icon (But this version is not latest).



This menu icon appears.



Viewer : to view import/create image

Import : to Import/Export from many type of formats

Data Perp : to make/subset image, mosaic and geocode

Composer : to prepare layout legend, title and so on for printing.

Interpreter : Most of analysis function are included in this menu.

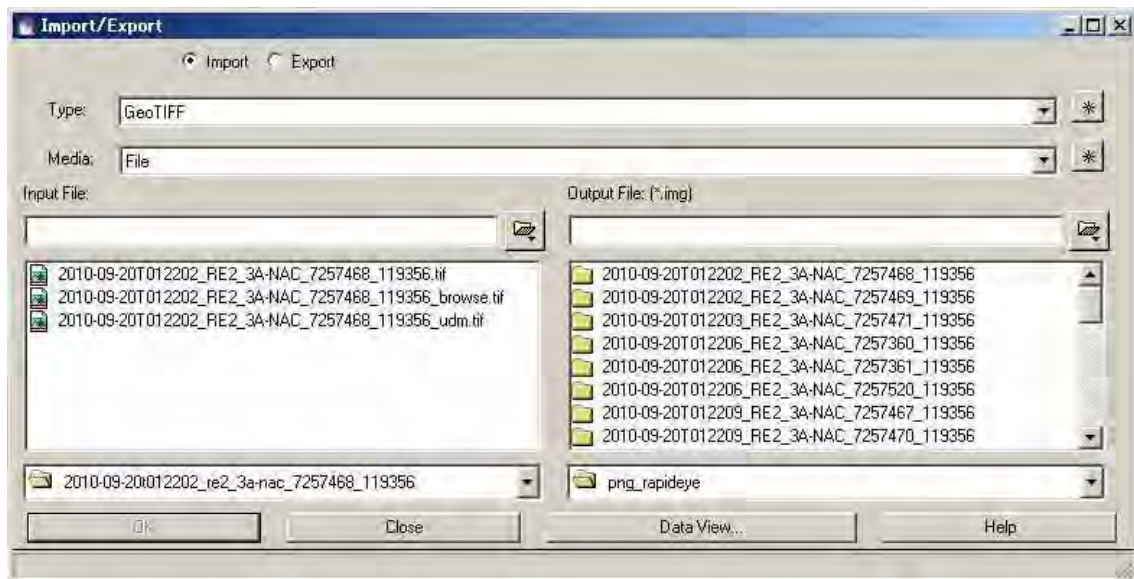
Classifier : For executing Unsupervised/Supervised classification.

Modeler : to write a flowchart of commands for processing.

2. RapidEye data processing

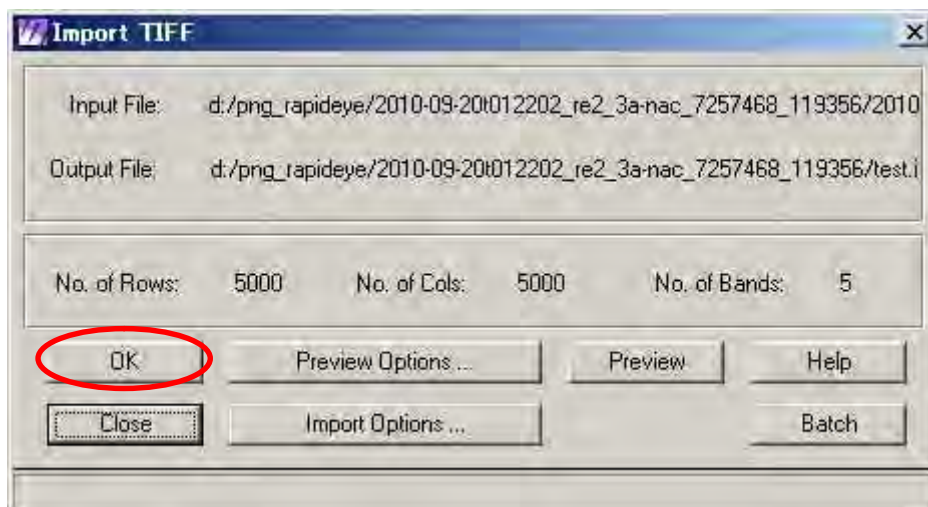
2-1. Importing of Geotiff file

Open a Geotiff file in directory using Import menu



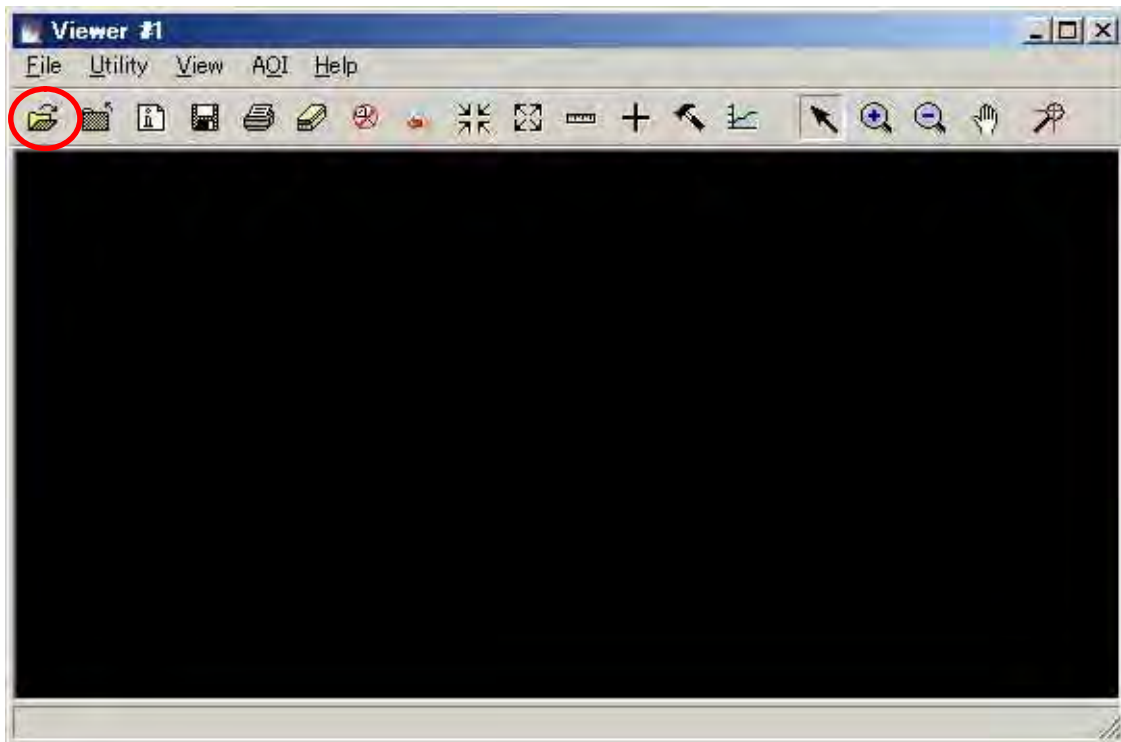
In Import/export select Geotiff file as input file. In Output file create new file with file extension “*.img” for using in ERDAS Imagine

NB: For input TIFF dialogue options, accept the default settings.

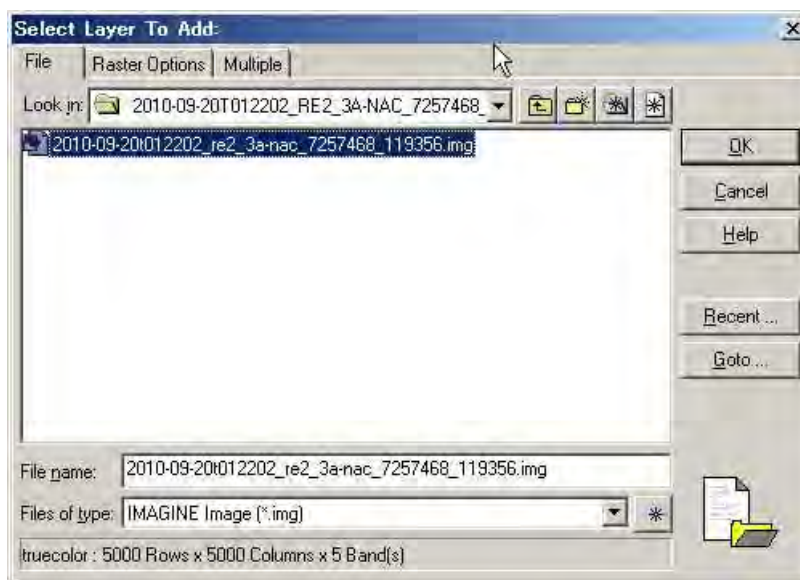


The process creates two (2) files with extensions “*.img” and “*.rrd”.

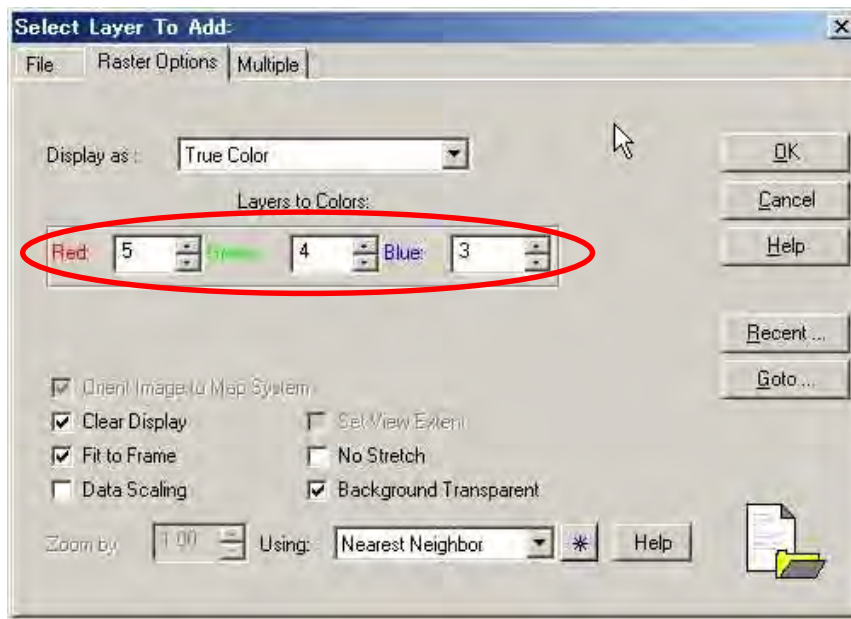
To display the imported image click Viewer menu and select file and open.



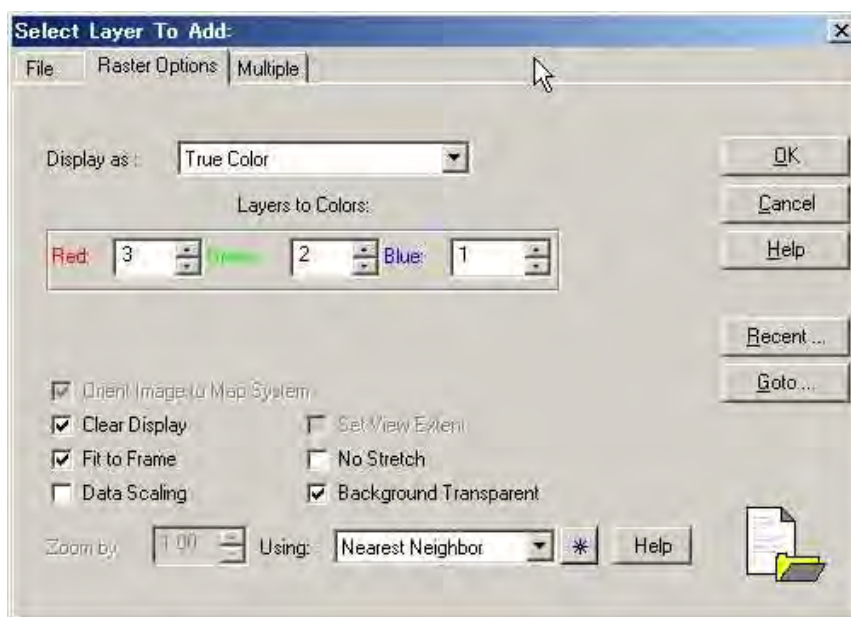
In [Select layer to add] choose imported image



In [Raster Options] display as True Color and set color combination as indicated below.



To display an image in photogrammetric (natural color) set color combination as below

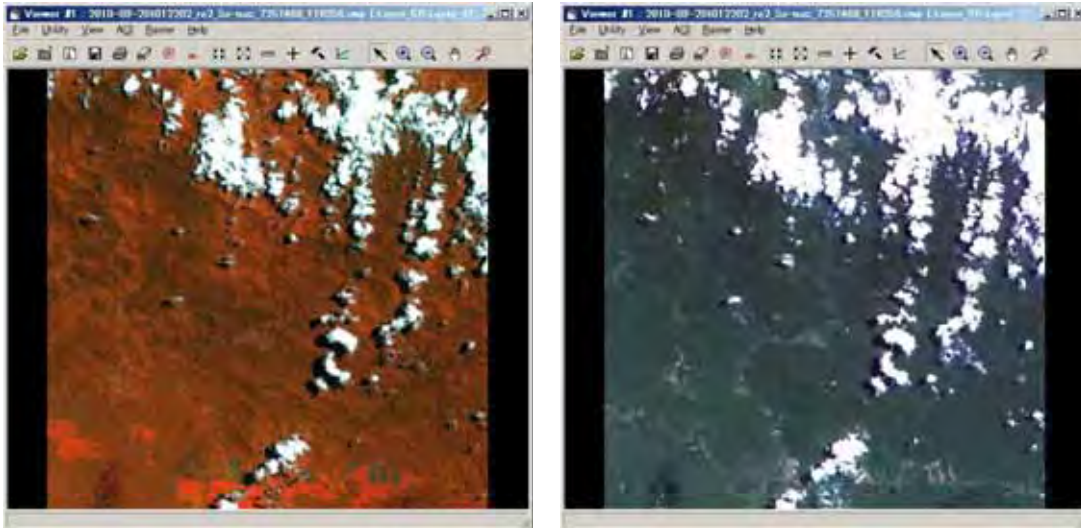


To display entire image tick the Fit to frame option

To view no data area (in black) tick Background Transparent option to make the image transparent

To compare visible (natural color) image and infrared image select Viewer to open second viewer to compare the two images. In second Viewer click file and open. In Select

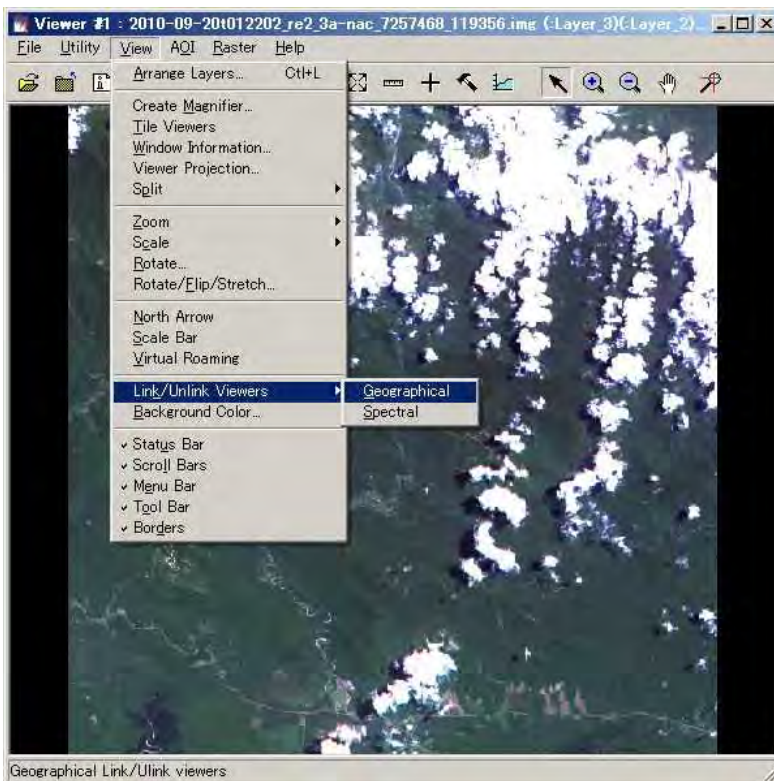
layer to add, select the same imported file. In Raster options, display as True color with color combination as above. (The two images are displayed as below)



The left image shows difference of forest area.

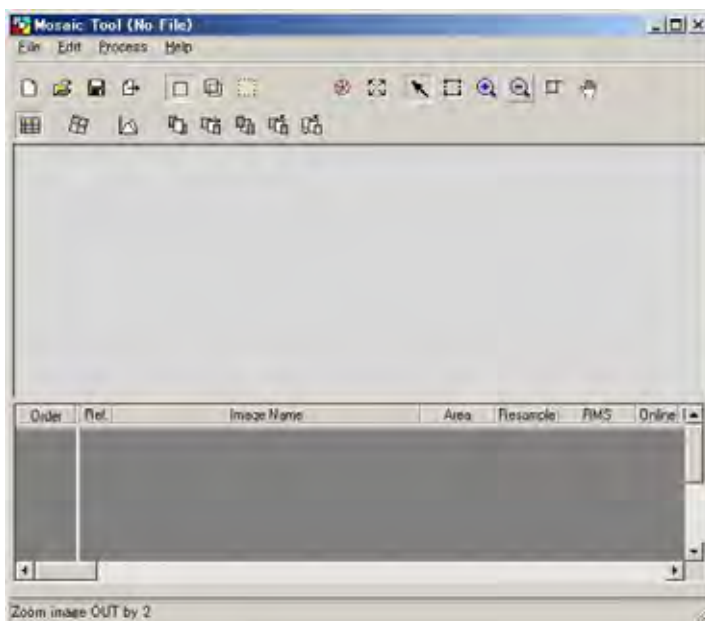
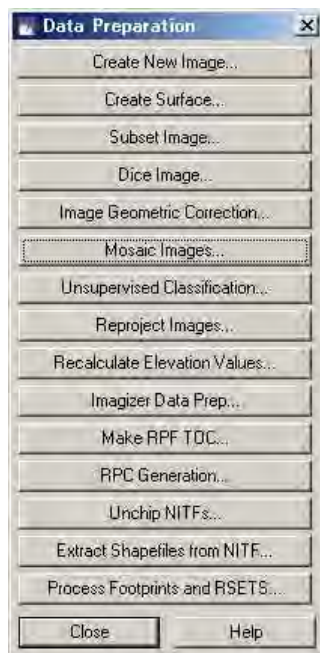
The right images shows natural color (using for mapping.)

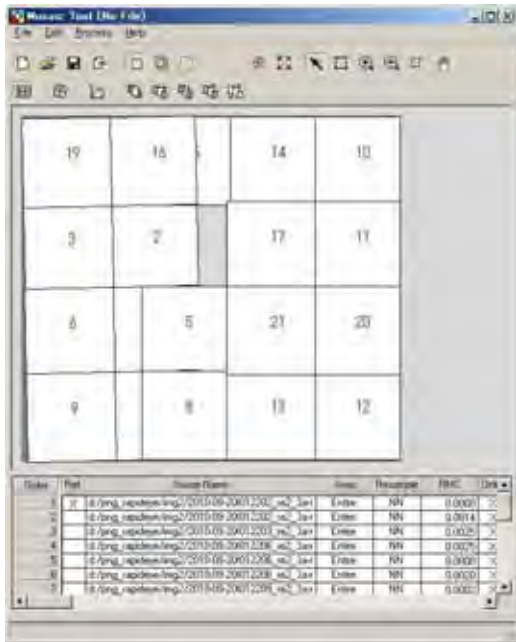
To view two (2) images at same time (simultaneously) in Viewer menu, select view option and click link/unlink viewers and choose geographical.



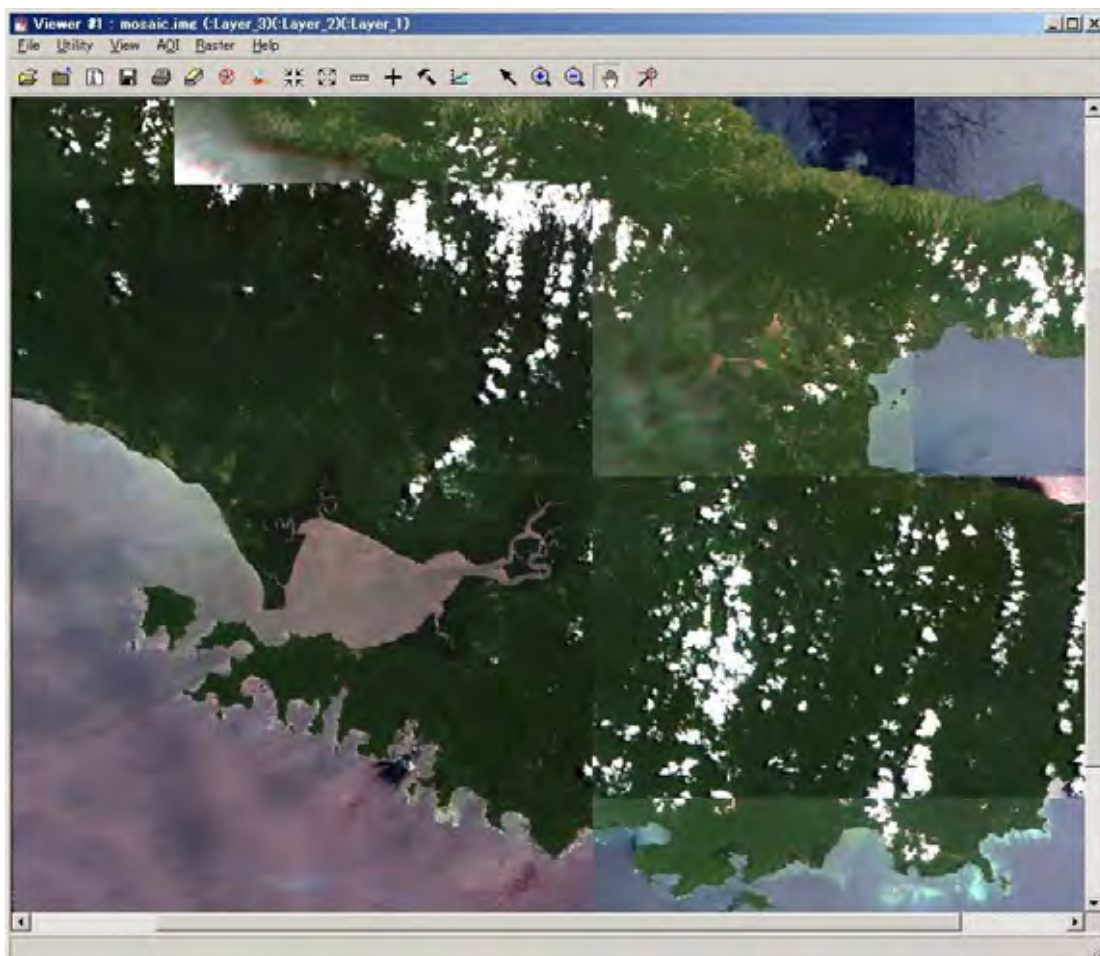
2-5. Mosaicing Of RapidEye Image by ERDAS Imagine

Select Data Prep menu and click Mosaic images and Mosaic tool. In Edit option select Add images and choose the imported images (*.img) of interest that will join each other.(The images are assigned Id numbers for reference). In process menu select Preview mosaic to check before mosaicing or select Run mosaic to continue Mosaic process. If Run mosaic then save the Output file in *.img format and wait for mosaic process to complete. Check the final mosaic by selecting Viewer menu and Open file and and choose saved mosaic file in *.img format.





Mosaic index information



Bottom view is final/complete mosaic image.

2-4. Geometric Correction (Pre-processing)

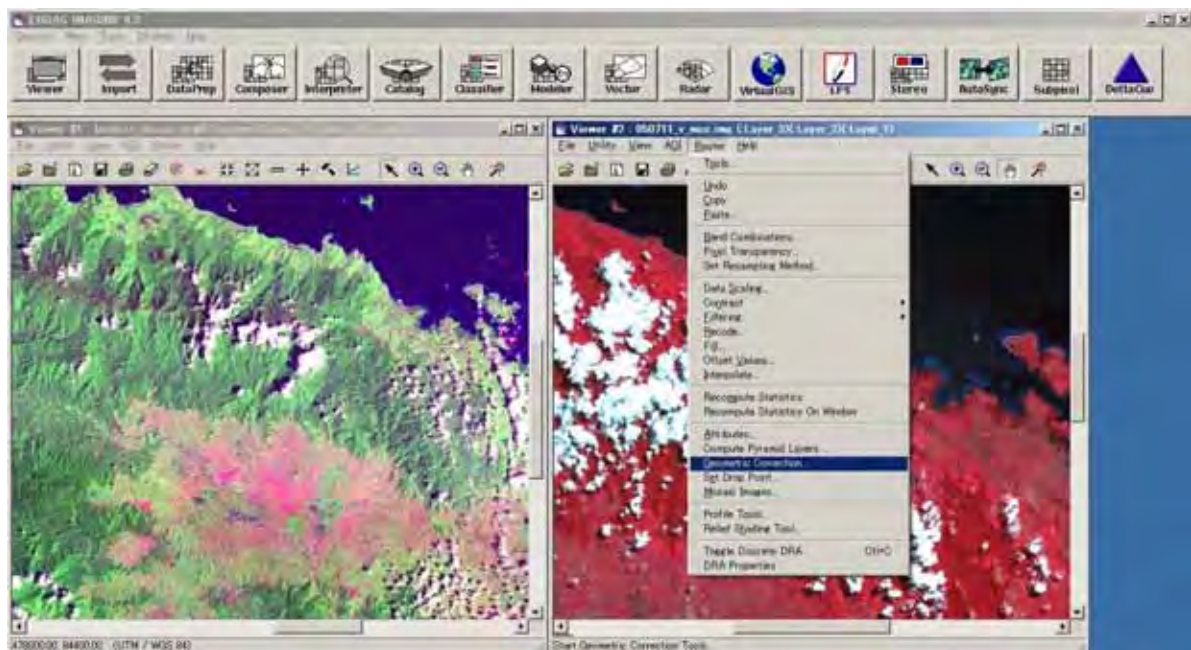
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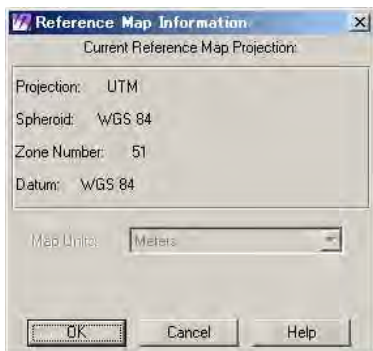
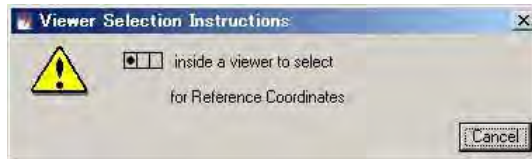
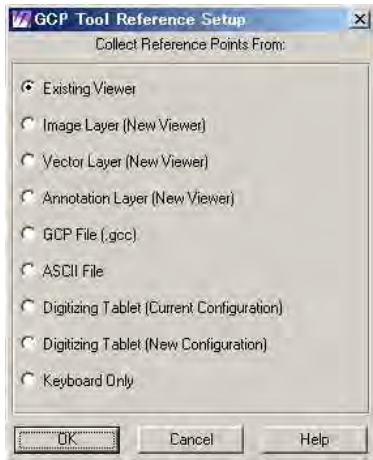
Viewer 1: Show orthorectified image

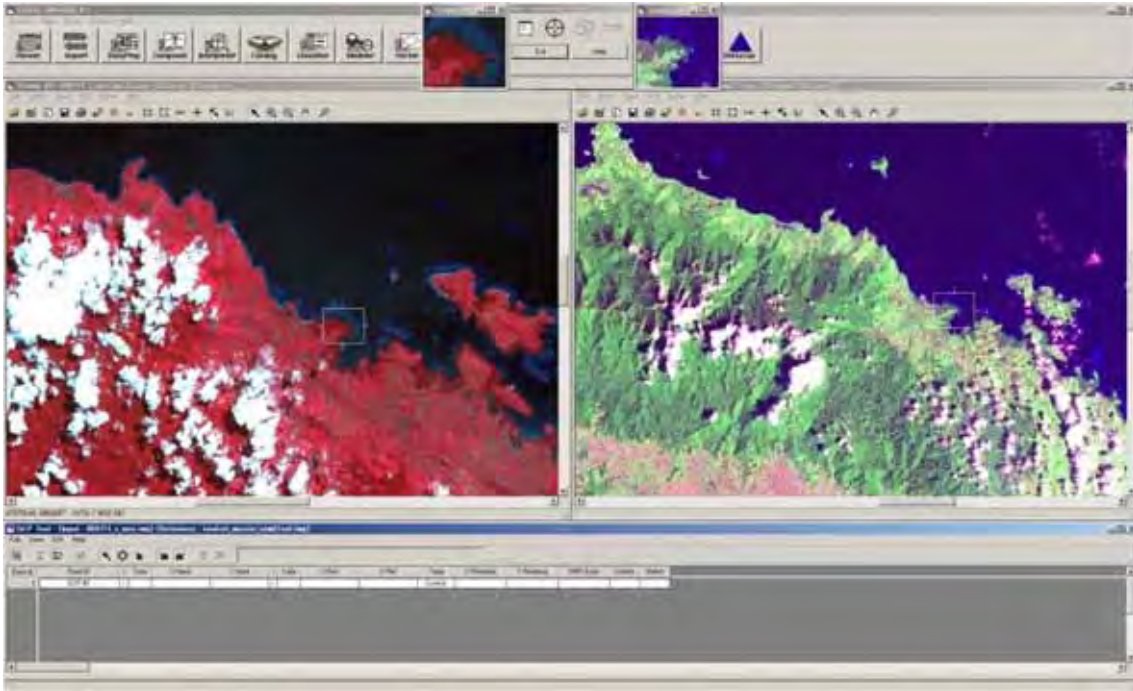
Viewer 2: Show not orthorectified image

In Viewer 2 select Raster menu and choose Geometric Correction. Set Geometric Model and apply Polynomial. In Polynomial Model Properties accept the default values.

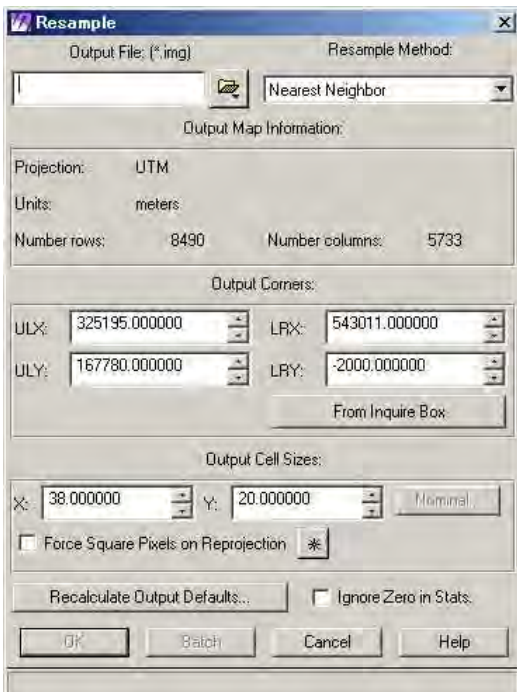
In GCP Tool Reference Setup select Existing viewer. In Viewer Selection Instructions click on a point in Viewer 1 and the Reference Map Information appears for information. Select a minimum of nine (9) or ten (10) GCPs. Check RMS Error and Control Point Error. Both errors should be less than pixel size (normally 100) in Viewer 1.



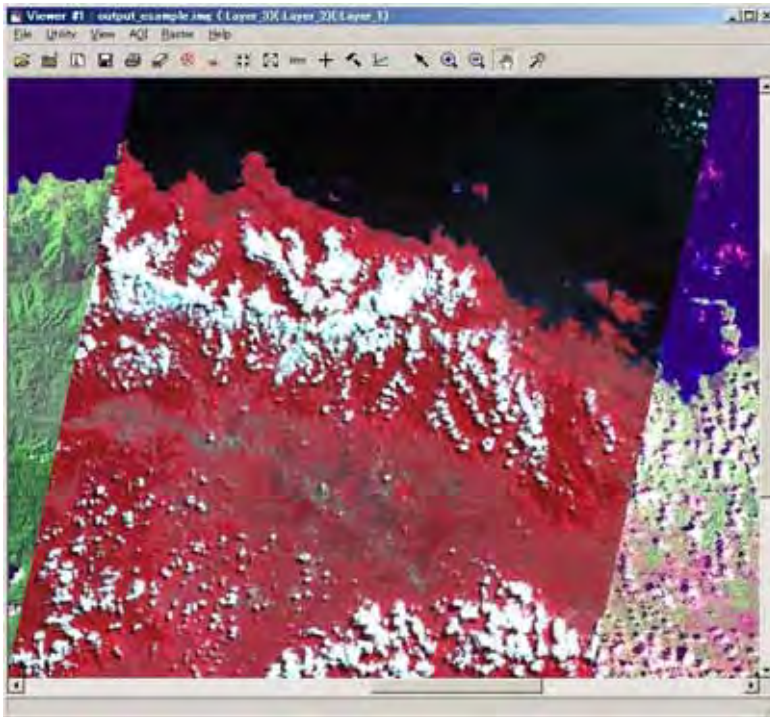




In Geometric Tools select Display Resample Image dialogue. Then enter Output File name and choose Nearest Neighbor in Resample Method. Click OK to let resample process run.

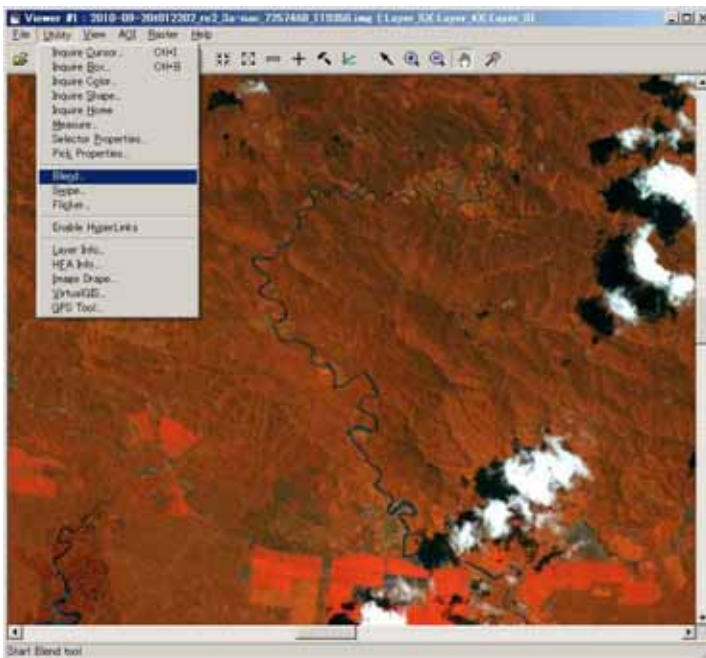


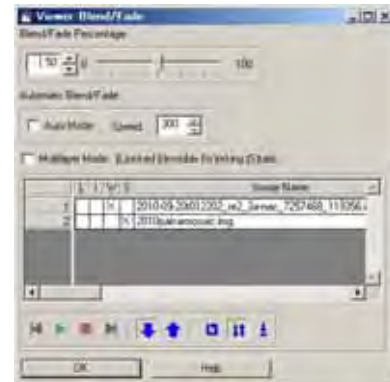
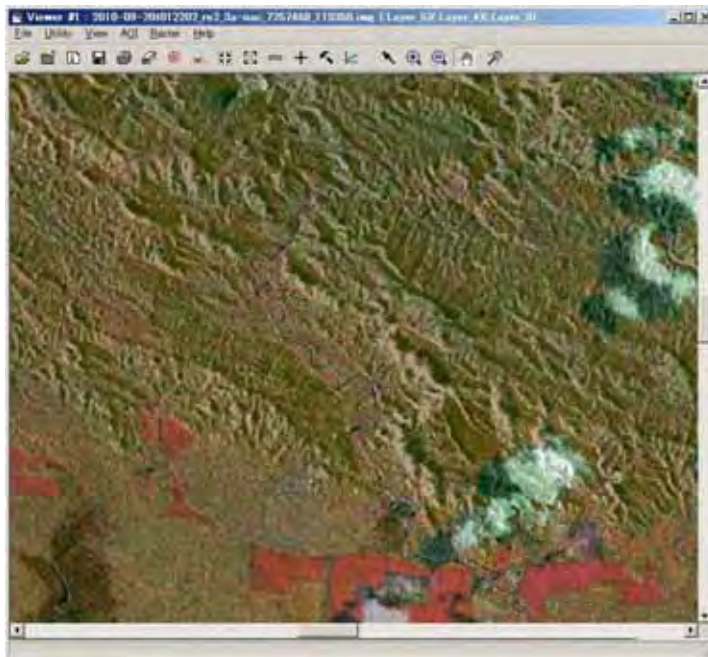
Create new Viwer to display geocoded (orthorectified) image. Open two images in same Viewer reference image and output resample image.



NB: When opening Output image untick Clear Display, tick Background Transparent and reset color combination to Red:3, Green:2 and Blue:1 depending on the Output image.

In Utility option select Blend or Flicker to view changes/difference in the two images.

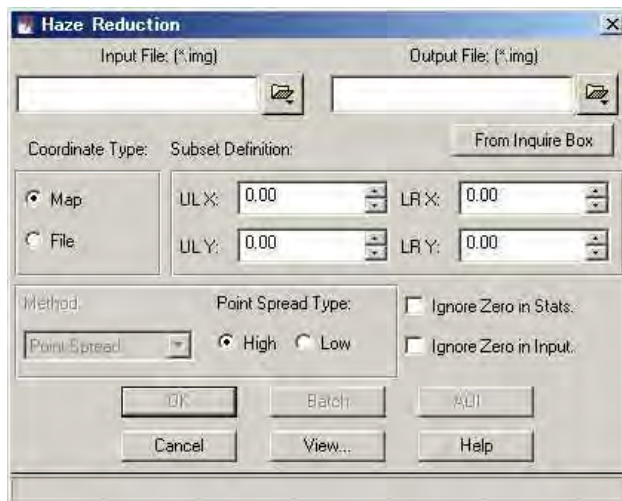




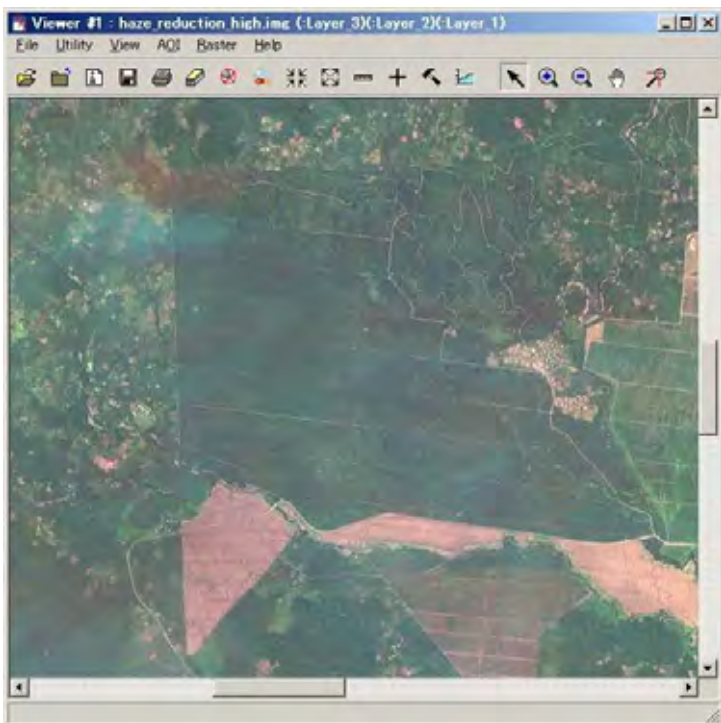
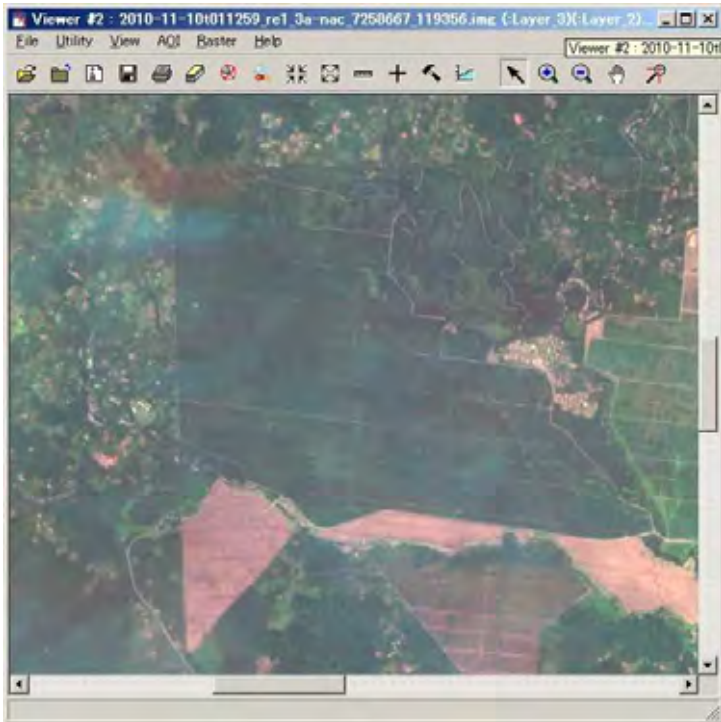
Comparing RapidEye image and PALSAR image using Blend/Fade.

2-2. Atmospheric Correction (Pre-processing/Radiometric Correction)

Select Interpreter menu and choose Radiometric Enhancement and select Haze Reduction or Noise Reduction. If Haze Reduction then open Input file (original) and create Output file (rename file). For Point Spread Type click High and rename Output file (eg, haze_reduction_high.img) and click OK to run.



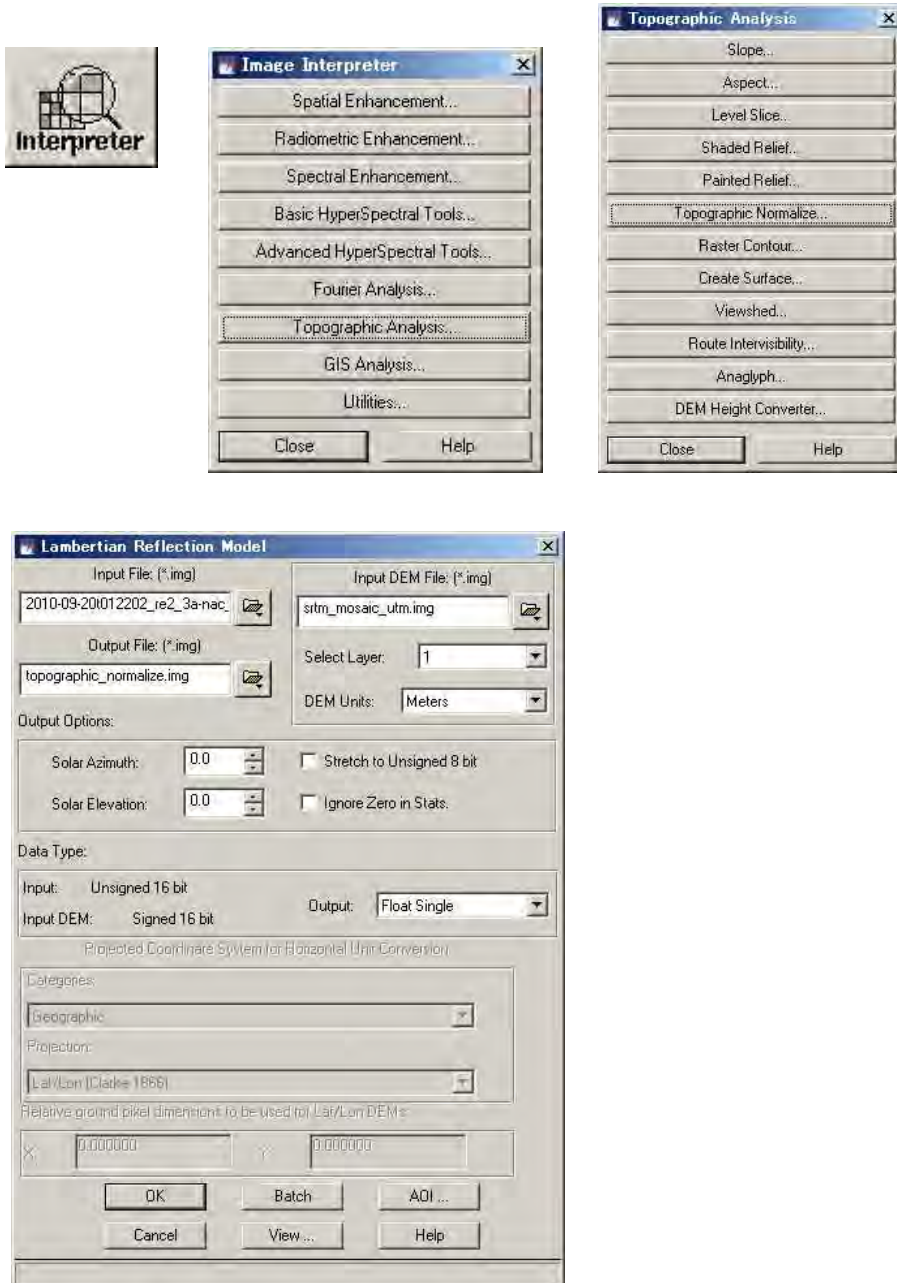
To compare, repeat above process then click Low and rename Output file (eg, haze_reduction_low.img) and click OK to run.



Top view is original RapidEye image.
Bottom view is applied Haze Reduction.

2-3. Topographic Analysis (Pre-processing/Radiometric Correction)(Optional)

In Interpreter menu select Topographic Analysis and choose Topographic Normalize. In Lambertian Reflection Model specify target image (working image file) as below

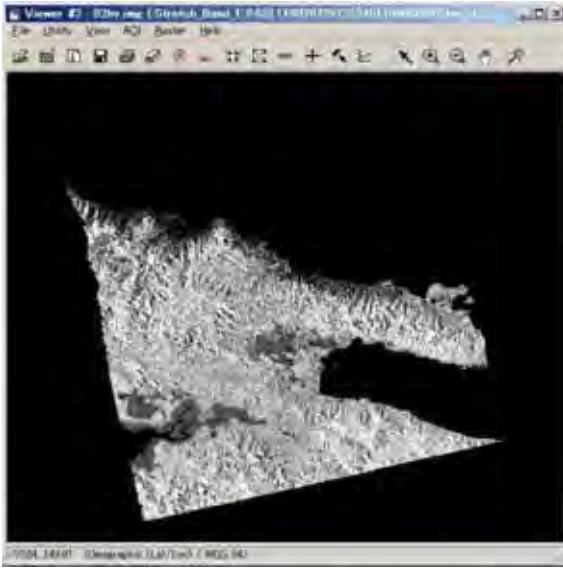


Input DEM file (already created) and set layer number as 1 and DEM units in Meters. Then create Output file (eg, topographic_normalize.img). Set Solar Azimuth (eg, 34) and Solar Elevation (eg 76) and click OK to run. (NB: Solar azimuth and elevation values are obtained from respective metadata files or can be calculated from meteorological

information from observation/acquired date)

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The Optical image has a range of applications in analysis of geographical features. For applications in forest cover analysis optical image has merits in observing status of vegetation areas/types in forest and monitoring its changes. Landuse changes such as plantations can also be monitored among the forest cover. The forest cover and landuse change can be analysed using NIR(Near Infrared) band (especially RapidEye has NIR band as band #5). Other features such as roads, rivers (inundated areas), settlements, natural and man-made disasters can also be effectively monitored using optical images.



HV polarization image

Note : What is HH polarization? and HV polarization?

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If the target(surface) is smooth, the backscatter signal is H. If the target(surface) is rough or the target is forest crown, the backscatter signal is V because the signal polarization is rotated.

Insert a diagram showing HH and HV here.

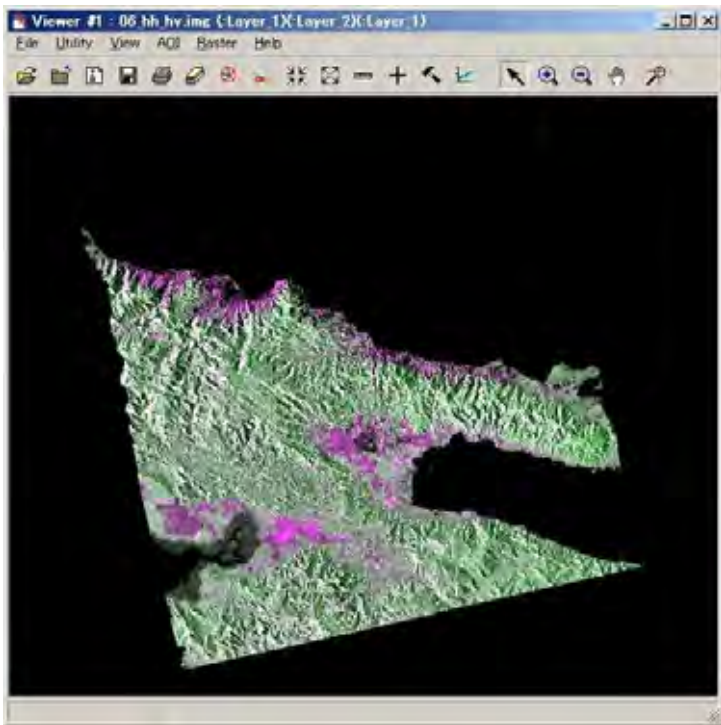
In ERDAS Imagine software select Interpreter menu and choose Utilities. Then select Layer Stack and choose Stacking. In Stacking open the Input file (*.hh.img) and click Add to add 'hh' file. Also open input file (*.hv.img) and click Add to add 'hv' file.



Create an Output file as (*hh_hv.img) which combines the two images and click OK to run the stacking process.



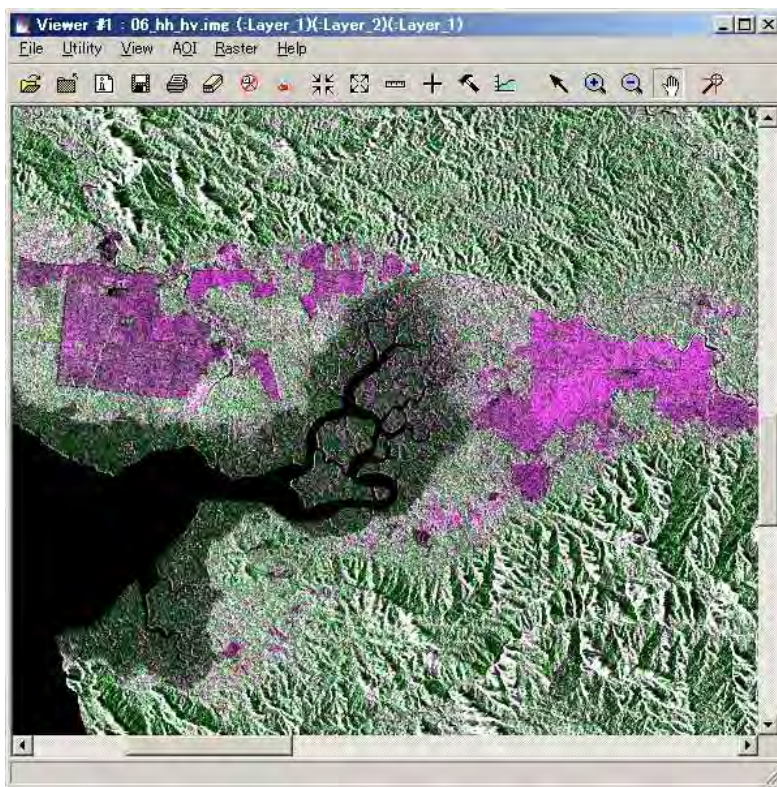
To display the processed image select File/Open in Viewer menu and in Select Layer To Add choose Raster option to set color combination as; Red: Band 1 (HH), Green: Band 2 (HV) and Blue: Band 1 (HH).



3-3. Comparing HH image and HV image

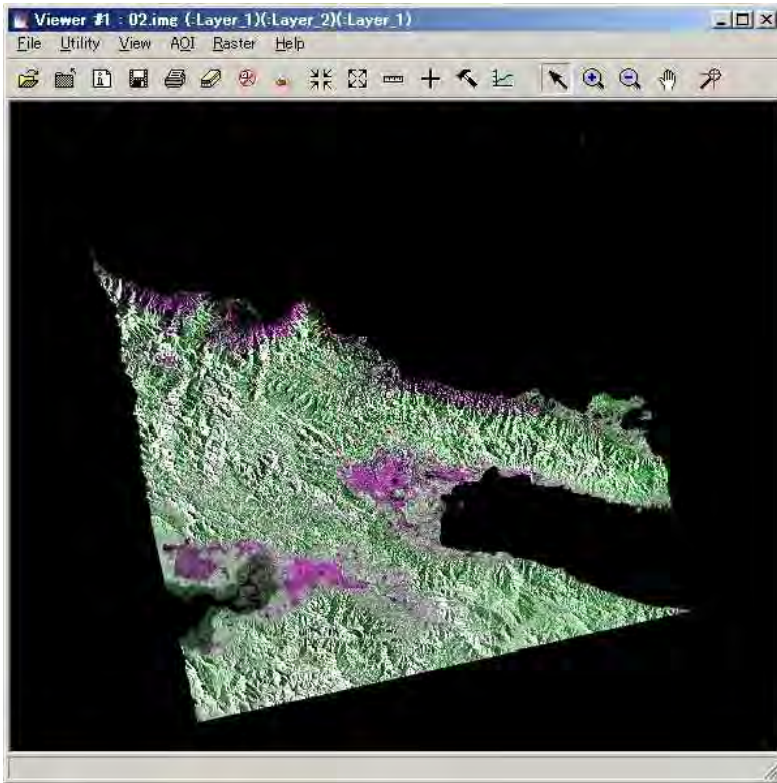
In figure the processed image display false color of the image and so it depicts a profile of vegetation cover in area of interest (AOI). The HH signal received with bright/strong backscatter shows features such as buildings, settlements due to its double-bounce effect. The HV signal received with bright/strong backscatter shows vegetation areas or relief areas (rough areas) due to volume scattering.

In figure below, mangrove area is shown as dark green but due to water cover it also indicates grey color among mangrove areas. (HV signal received with dark/weak backscatter)

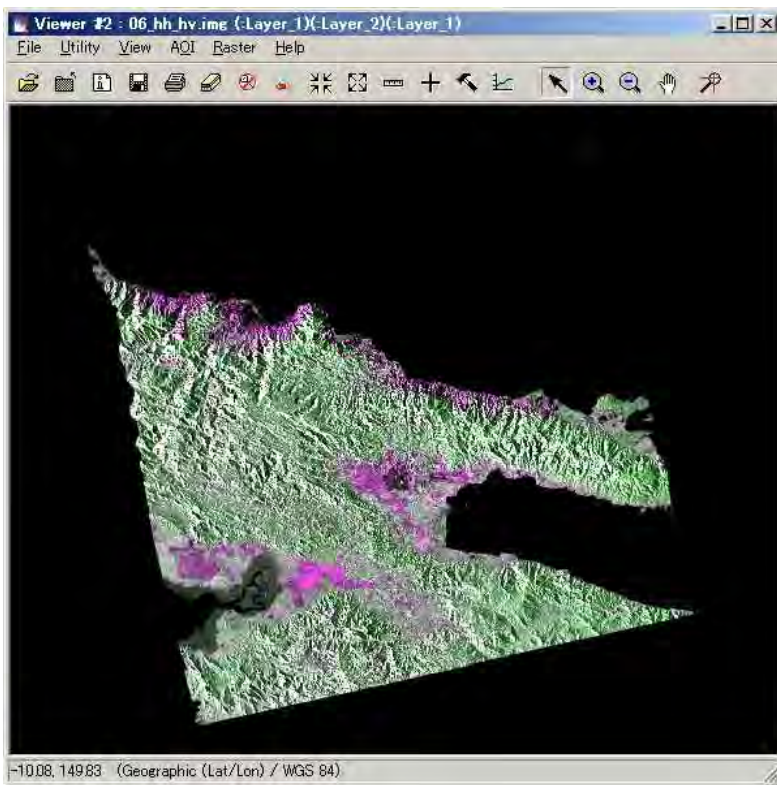


3-4. Comparing PALSAR image in 2007 and 2010

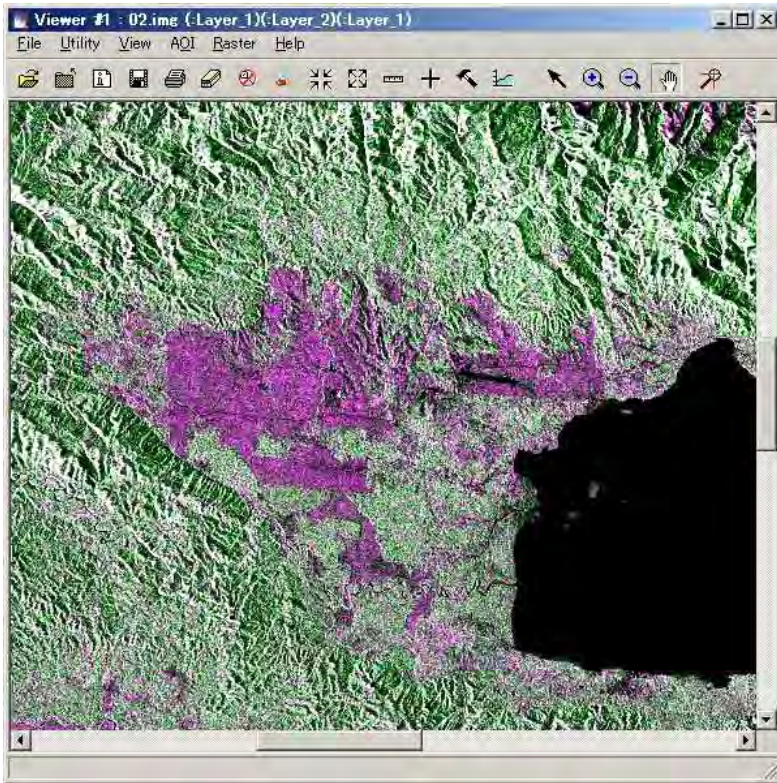
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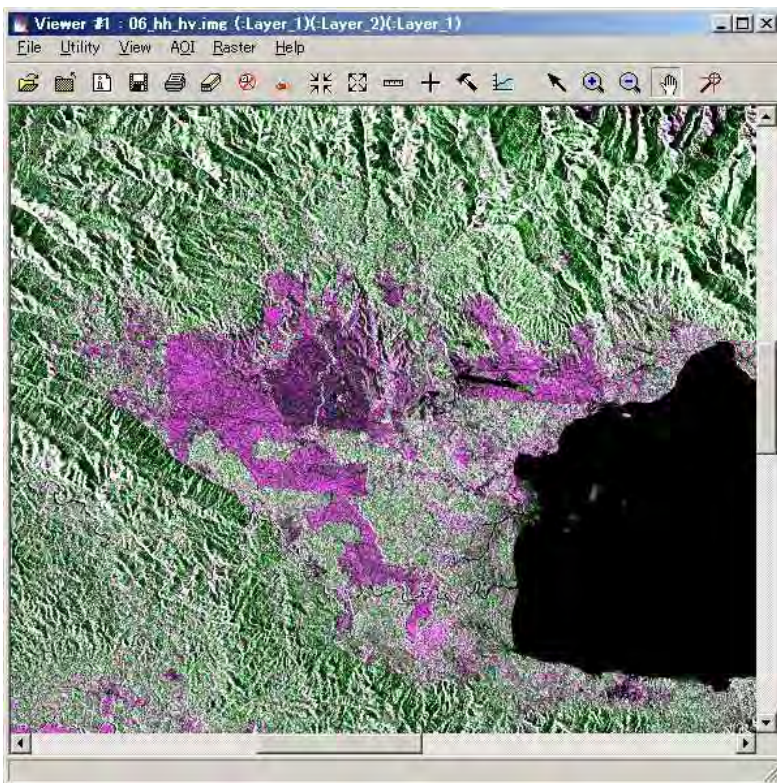
PALSAR image in 2007



PALSAR image in 2010



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PALSAR image in 2010

4. Applications of RapidEye, PALSAR and GeoSAR

The table below summarizes the applications and its merits and demerits.

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<p>Demerits</p> <p>Cloud cover Expensive</p>	<p>Demerits</p> <p>Difficult to interpret/understand</p>	<p>Demerits</p> <p>More expensive One time observation Limited area of observation (Cannot cover whole of PNG)</p>

Presentation on JICA Training Program

JICA PROGRAM

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT ON FOREST RESOURCE MONITORING FOR ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA (PNG)

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE:

- 1. TO UNDERSTAND THE WHOLE PICTURE OF FUTURE ACTIVITIES THROUGH THE INTRODUCTION OF CASE EXAMPLE OF JAPANESE REDD & RELATED SUPPORT**
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PO 1. (A) CASE EXAMPLE OF JAPANESE REDD & RELATED SUPPORT:

(ERSDAC) EARTH REMOTE SENSING DATA ANALYSIS CENTRE

PALSAR Project

PHASE ARRAY TYPE L – BAND SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR IS ONE OF THE IMAGING SENSORS ON BOARD THE ALOS (ADVANCED LAND OBSERVING SATELLITE) LAUNCHED IN JANUARY 24,2006.

CHARACTERISTICS OF PALSAR

- ALL WEATHER SENSOR (RAIN/NIGHT/CLOUD)**
- L BAND (1.27 GHZ/23.6CM)**
- HIGH RESOLUTION (GROUND RES.10M)/ SWATH 70KM**
- MULTI-POLARIZATION: HH, VV, HH + HV, VV + VH, HH + HV + VH + VV. FOR VEGETATION, SOIL AND GEOLOGIC CLASSIFICATION**

Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)

REDD AND FOREST MONITORING USING ALOS/PALSAR

- GLOBAL TIME SERIES HIGH RESOLUTION (10M AND 25M) L – BAND SAR DATASET USING JERS-1(1992 – 1998) AND PALSAR (2007 – 2010) ARE BEING GENERATED AND USED FOR REDD+, i.e, MONITORING THE FOREST CHANGE, FOREST CLASSIFICATION AND IN FUTURE CONVERTING TO BIOMASS**
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Forestry & Forest Products Research Institute

ONE OF THE ROLES OF REDD R & D CENTRE OF FFPRI IN FFPRI– REDD PROGRAM IS TO;

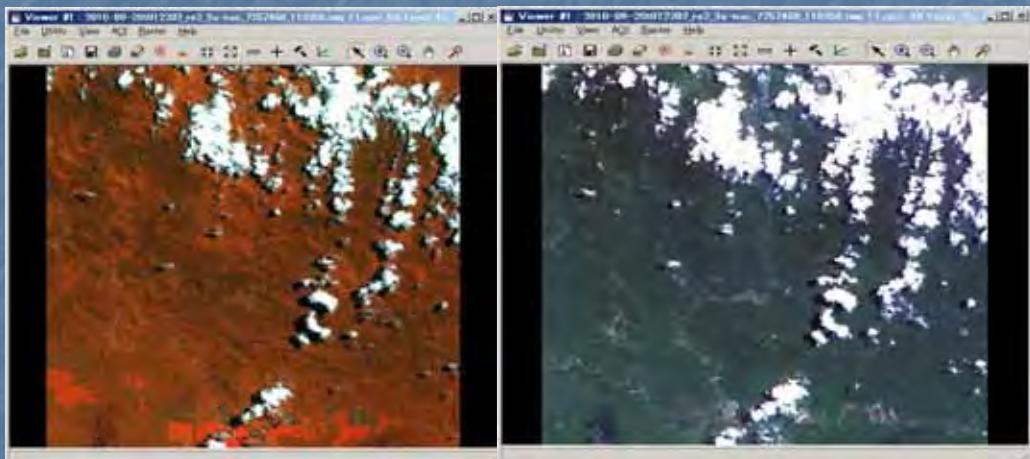
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PO (2): PRACTICAL WORK OF FOREST COVER CLASSIFICATION USING REMOTE SENSING TECHNOLOGY AND ACTUAL DATA OF PNG

(2.1) Image processing of RapidEye by ERDAS Imagine for Milne Bay Province (PNG)

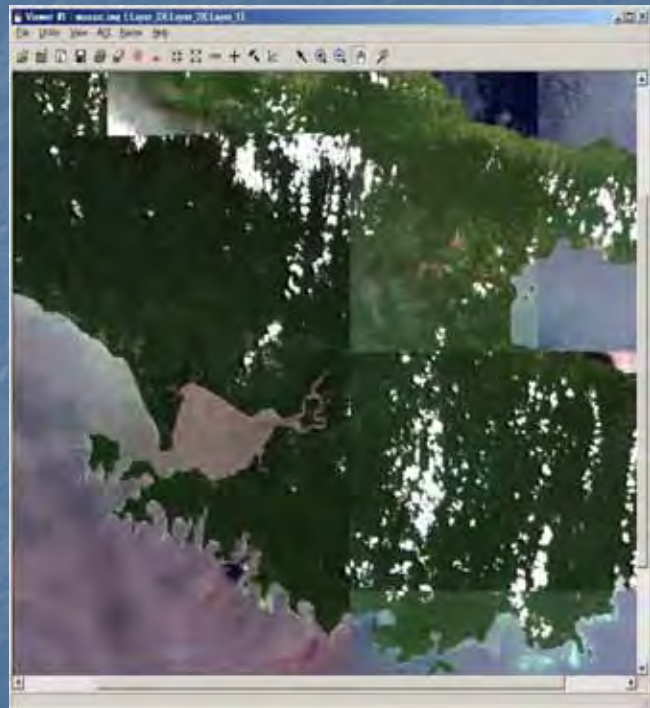
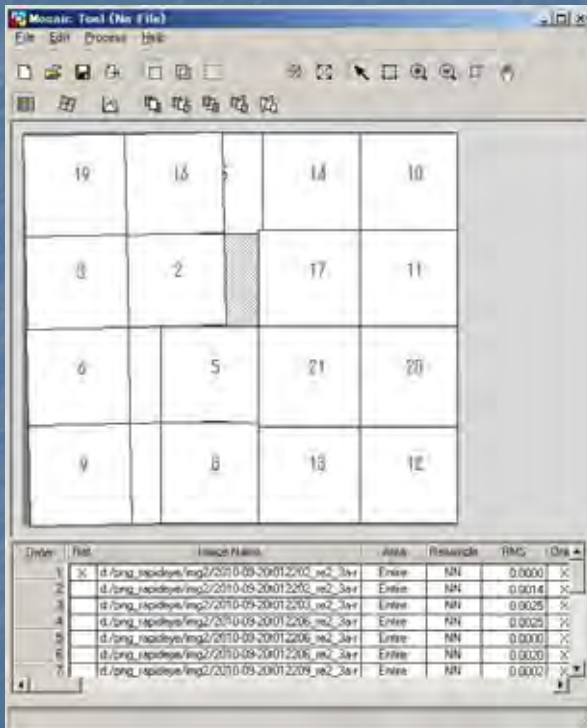
Comparing visible (natural color) image and infrared image



The left image in Infrared color (false) shows difference of forest and land-use area.
The right images shows natural color (useful in mapping)

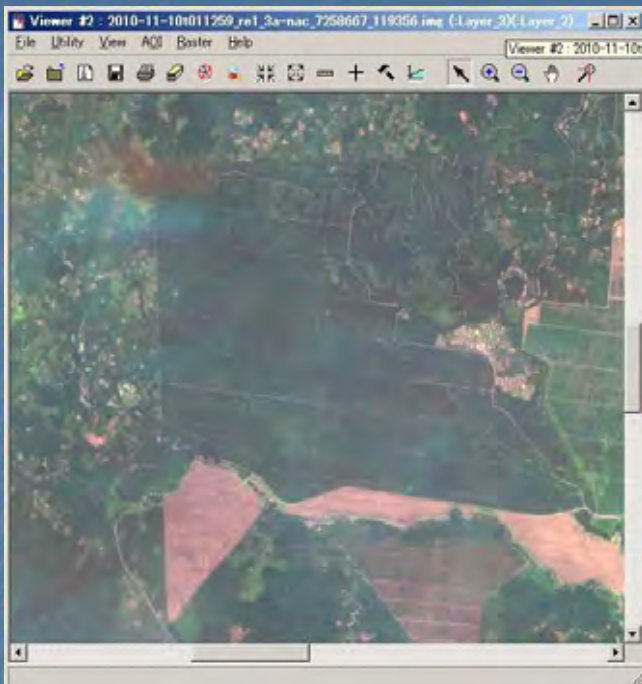
Mosaic Of RapidEye Images by ERDAS

Mosaic index information

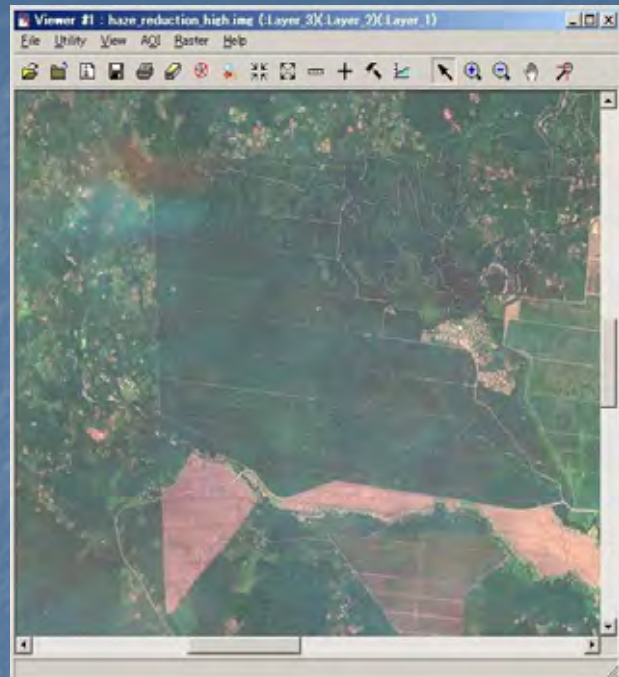


View of final/complete mosaic image.

Atmospheric Correction (Pre-processing/Radiometric Correction)



Left view is original RapidEye image.



Right view is applied Haze Reduction.

Comparing/merging RapidEye image and PALSAR image using Blend/Fade



RapidEye/PALSAR Image

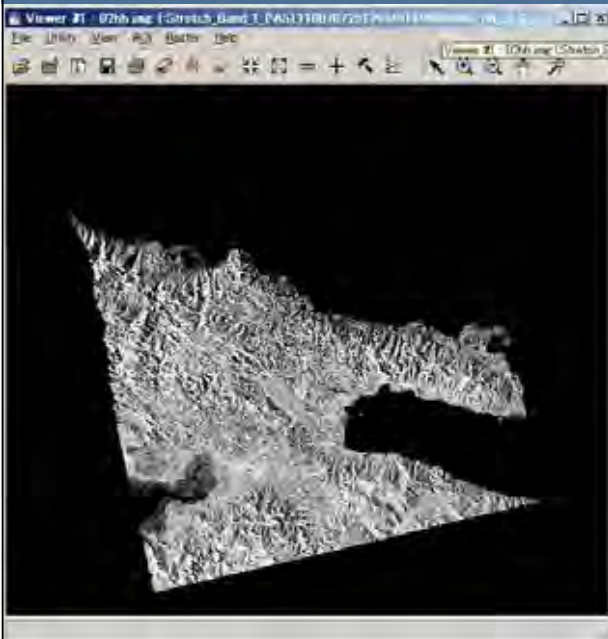


PALSAR/RapidEye Image

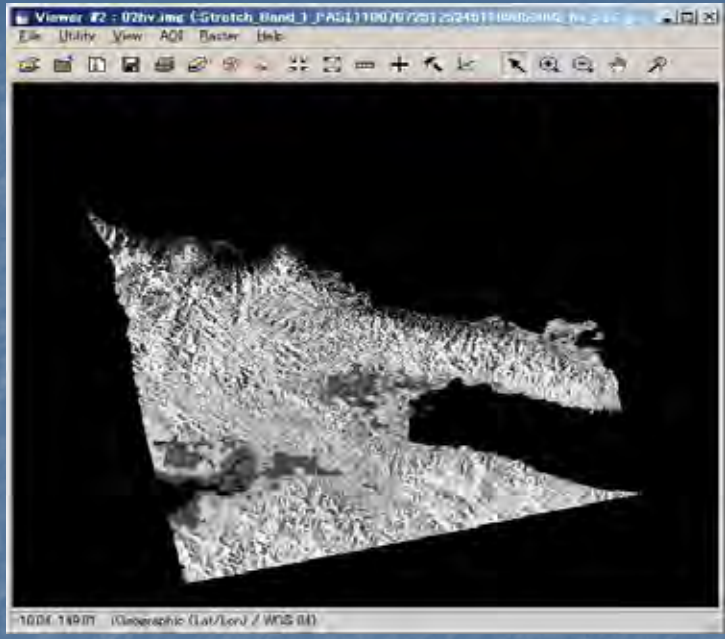
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2.2 PALSAR Data Processing



HH polarization image



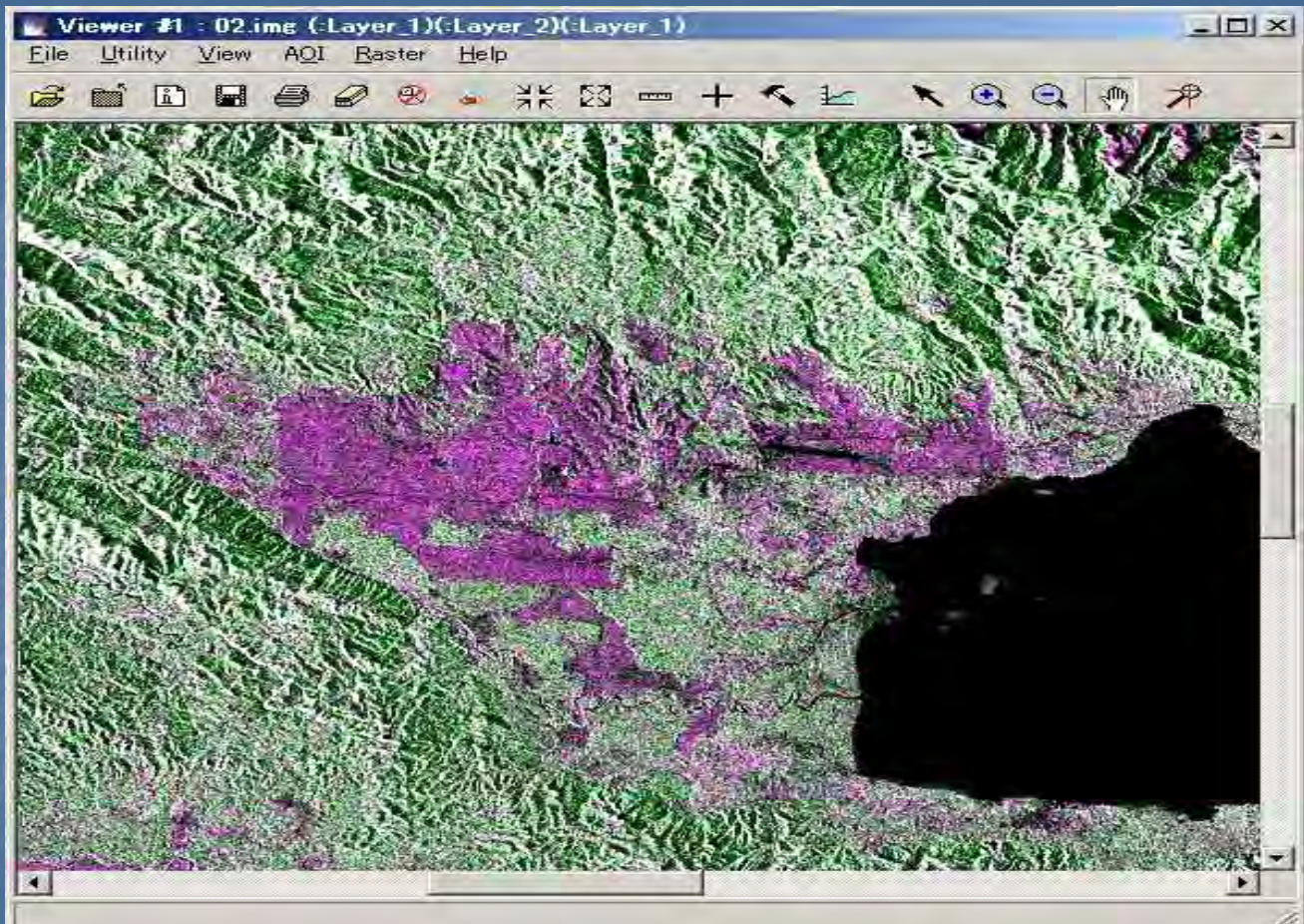
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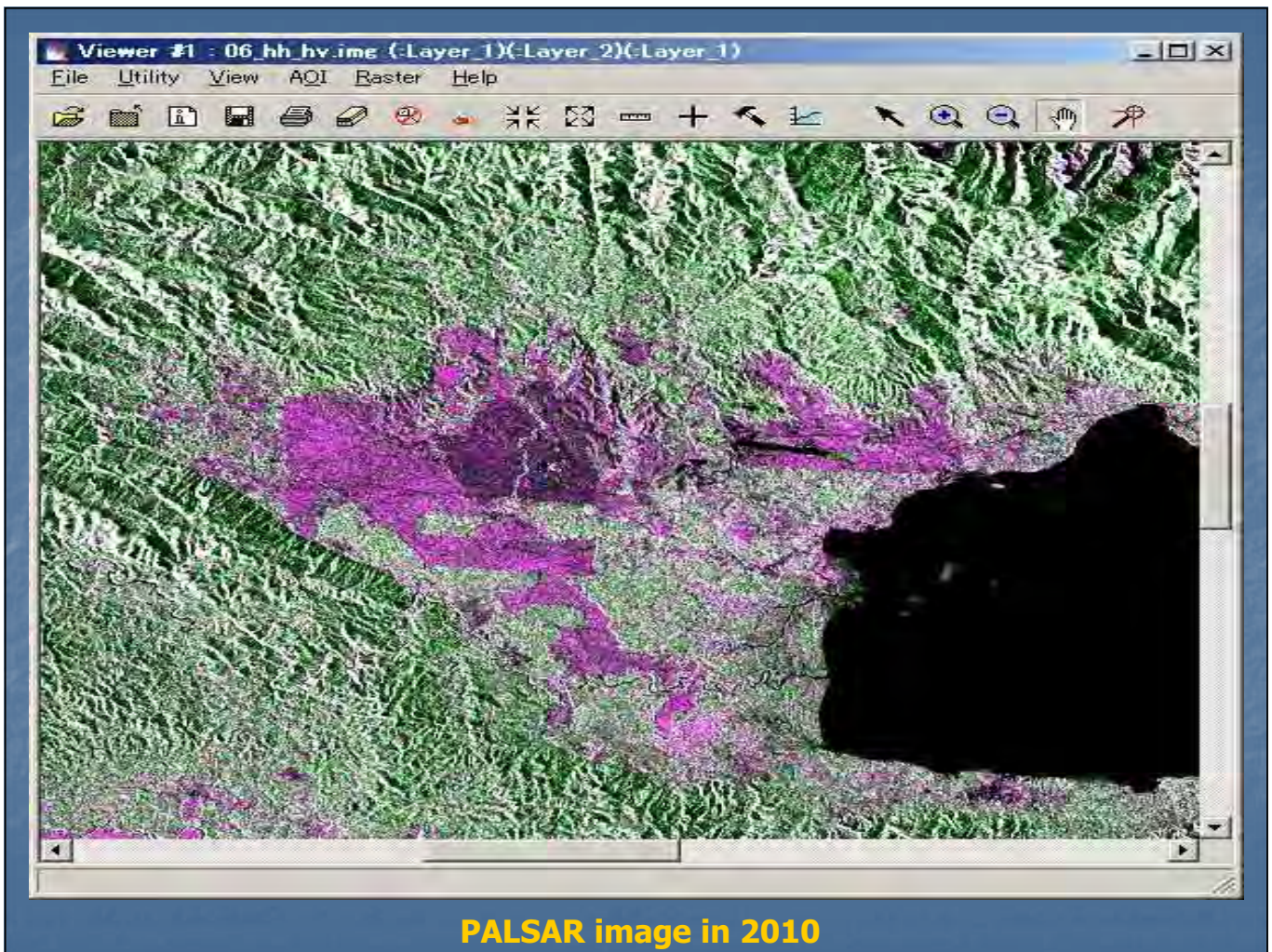
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Comparing PALSAR image of 2007 and 2010

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PALSAR image in 2007



2.3 Forest Cover Classification

- **Object based classification (eCognition Software)**

Object-Based Classification is a method of image analysis to conduct classification based on image objects. This method to partition a comparatively homogeneous domain on an image is similar to image interpretation by human eyes (Figure 1 (a)). It is difficult to partition homogeneous domain on the existing pixel-based classification without the difference of the minute domain, because it does not consider relations with neighboring pixels (Figure 1 (b)). Therefore, in many applications, the object-based classification can be more effective for high resolution image analysis than pixel-based classification (Figure 1 (c)).

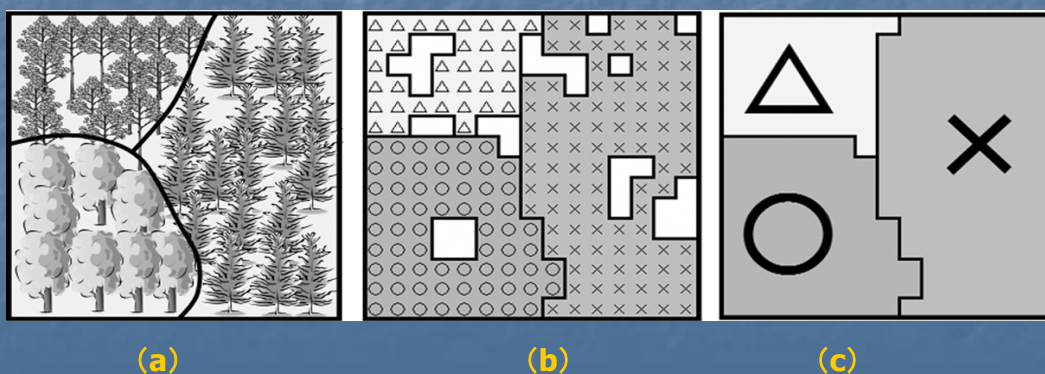
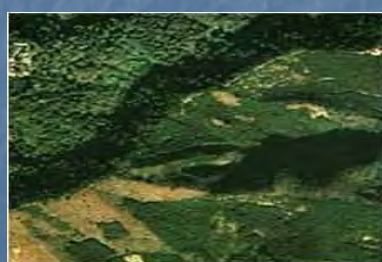


Figure 1: Differences between Object-based Classification and Pixel-based Classification

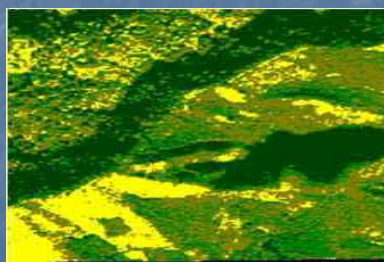
> Classification

- (a) Human eyes' interpretation (Boundaries of different vegetation types can be extracted.)
- (b) Pixel-based classification (The difference of the minute domain is extracted unnecessarily)
- (c) Object-based classification (Results can be close to those of human interpretation.)
- Regarding pixel-based classification, because one class of domain may contain many minute domains of other classes, it is often hard to interpret a resulting classification map. Regarding object-based classification, on the other hand, because this method segments a whole image into small domains (image objects), a resulting classification map can be similar to a map that can be created based on human eyes' interpretation (Figure 2).

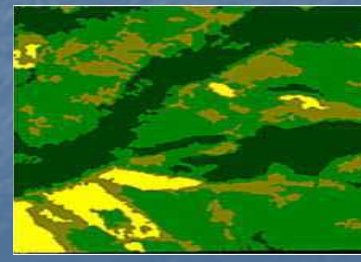
Figure 2: Comparison of Pixel-based Classification and Object-based Classification



Original Image



Pixel-Based Classification



Object-Based Classification

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