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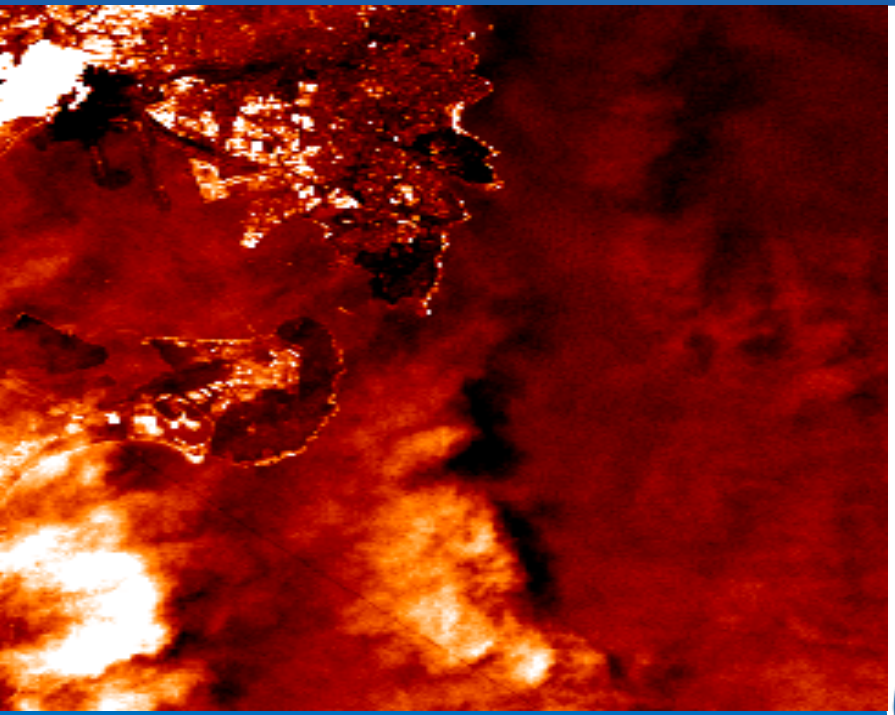

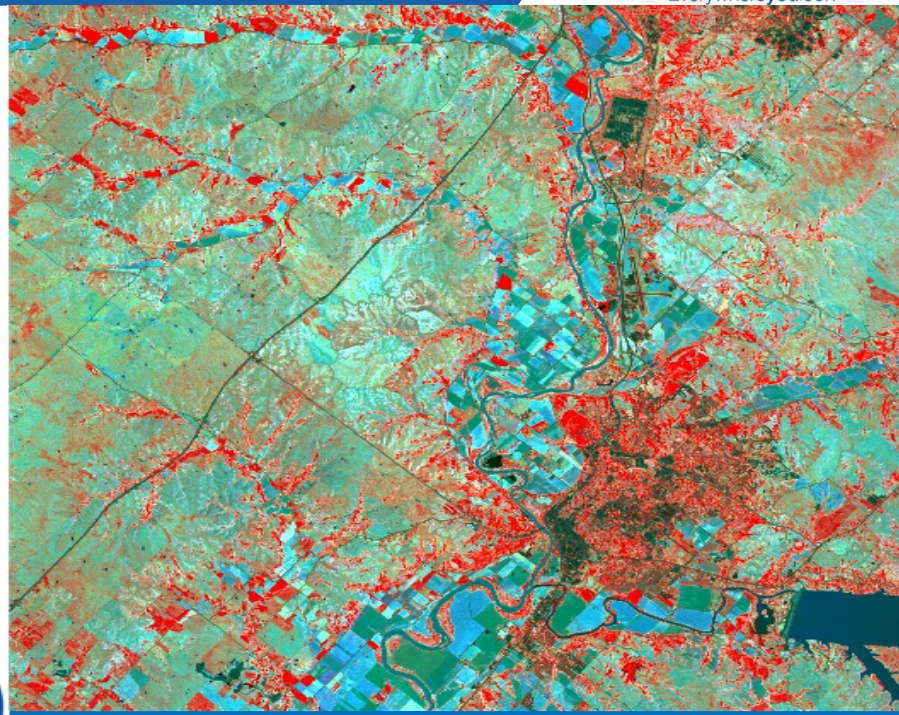

Introduction to TCloud and DESIS Data
May 21, 2020

Outline

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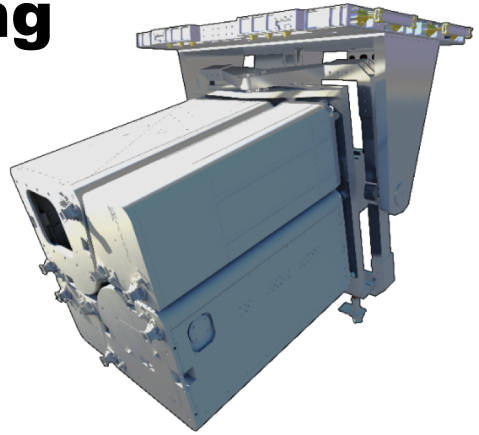
MUSES and DESIS Overview

Multi-User System for Earth Sensing (MUSES)



- **Precision pointing platform, designed in cooperation with NASA, for low-cost earth observation from the International Space Station (ISS).**
- **Comprised of Platform (ISS external) and Server (ISS internal)**
- **Up to 4 robotically installed instruments.**
  - Payload can be removed and returned to earth for analysis or reuse.
- **Total data downlink ~225 GB/day.**
  - Onboard processing option.
- **< 12 Months: Contract to Launch.**
  - ~ 1/3 the cost of a free-flyer mission.

Characteristic	MUSES Performance Target
Field of Regard	Outboard Cross-Track: 5°
	Inboard Cross-Track: 45°
	Along-Track: +/- 25°
Thermal Control	Passive
Star Tracker	Sodern SED26
Inertial Measurement Unit	Honeywell Miniature Inertial Measurement Unit (MIMU)
Precision Time	Sourced from the ISS GPS, ≤ ± 250 µsec to MUSES instruments
Pointing Accuracy	≤ ± 60 arc seconds
Pointing Knowledge	≤ ± 30 arc seconds (~ 60 m on ground from 400 km altitude)
Location knowledge	Sourced from the ISS GPS, ± 50 meters, RMS
Orbit	51.6° Inclination, 400 km altitude ± 5% (nominal)
Data Processing	Linux Server on-board ISS with redundant 6 TB storage
Daily Downlink Capacity	225 GB

Earth Observation From the ISS – Why It Works/Challenges

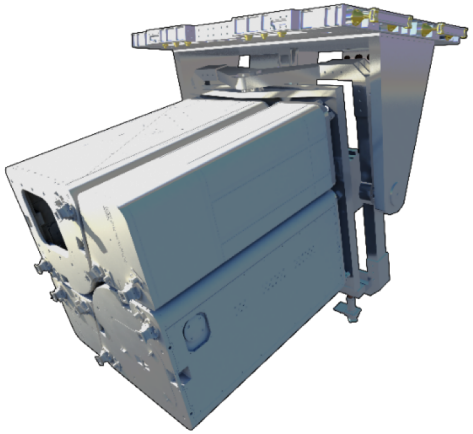
Benefits

- Coverage of ~90% of populated Earth.
- Coverage of tropics, frequent revisit times off-noon allow for reduced-cloud image acquisition.
- Orbit enables acquisitions at different times of day, useful for BRDF or diurnal dynamics.
- Upgrade, repair and exchange of instruments as technology and/or markets evolution.
- Traditional barriers to entry are minimized.

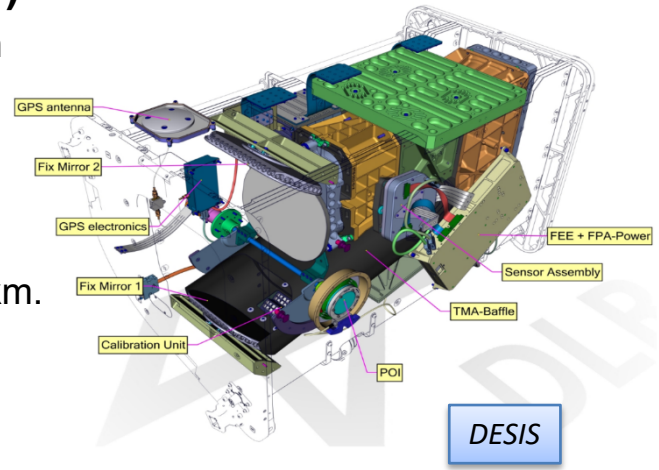
Challenges

- Above 55^{o} N and below 52^{o} S not covered in orbit.
- Revisit time has a beat frequency that depends on latitude.

DESIS Overview



- **Cooperative effort between the German Aerospace Center (DLR) and Teledyne Brown Engineering (TBE)**
  - MUSES first payload – Launched June of 2018.
  - Teledyne has commercial rights to imagery while DLR retains the rights for scientific use.
- **DLR Earth Sensing Imaging Spectrometer (DESIS)**
  - 235 bands with 2.55 nm sampling over the VNIR spectral region (400-1000 nm).
  - 30 m GSD @ ISS 400 km orbit.
  - Sensor pointing ±15° along track, enables BRDF and stereo acquisitions.
  - Push Broom Sensor: Maximum length of a single strip ~ 3000 km.
  - Each strip is broken into 1024 x 1024 pixel tiles, or 30 x 30 km.



DESIS Specifications

Parameter	DESIS Specification (Commissioning Phase)
Orbit	not Sun-synchronous, 51.6°, 400 ± 5 km, 93 min, no repeat cycle
Coverage	55° N to 52° S
Tilt (across-track, along-track)	+45° to -5°, -40° to +40° by MUSES and DESIS
Sensor Pointing	±15° along-track to enable BRDF or Stereo acquisitions
Spectral coverage	402 nm to 1000 nm (Part of FPA defective at low wavelengths)
Number of spectral channels	235 (no binning); 118 (binning 2); 79 (binning 3); 60 (binning 4)
Spectral Sampling resolution	2.55 nm (w/o binning); ~10.2 nm (binning 4)
Full Width Half Maximum (FWHM)	~3.5 nm (w/o binning); ~10.5 nm (binning 4)
Radiometric resolution	12 bits + 1 bit gain
Radiometric Accuracy	±10% (based on on-ground calibration and with support of inflight radiometric calibration; Expect ±5%)
Radiometric Linearity	99%
Swath	30 km
Spatial resolution, pixels	30 m, 1024 pixels (@400 km)
Geometric accuracy	~20 m with GCPs ~300 m - 400 m w/o GCPs (i.e. water only collects)
MTF @ Nyquist	30%-40% based on on-ground calibration / static MTF without smearing effects / wavelength depending
Signal-to-Noise ratio (albedo 0.3 @ 550 nm)	195 (w/o binning) 386 (4 binning)
Solar zenith angle restrictions (for L2A level processing)	> 55° produces reduced quality L2A product > 65° produces low quality L2A product > 70° not processible to L2A

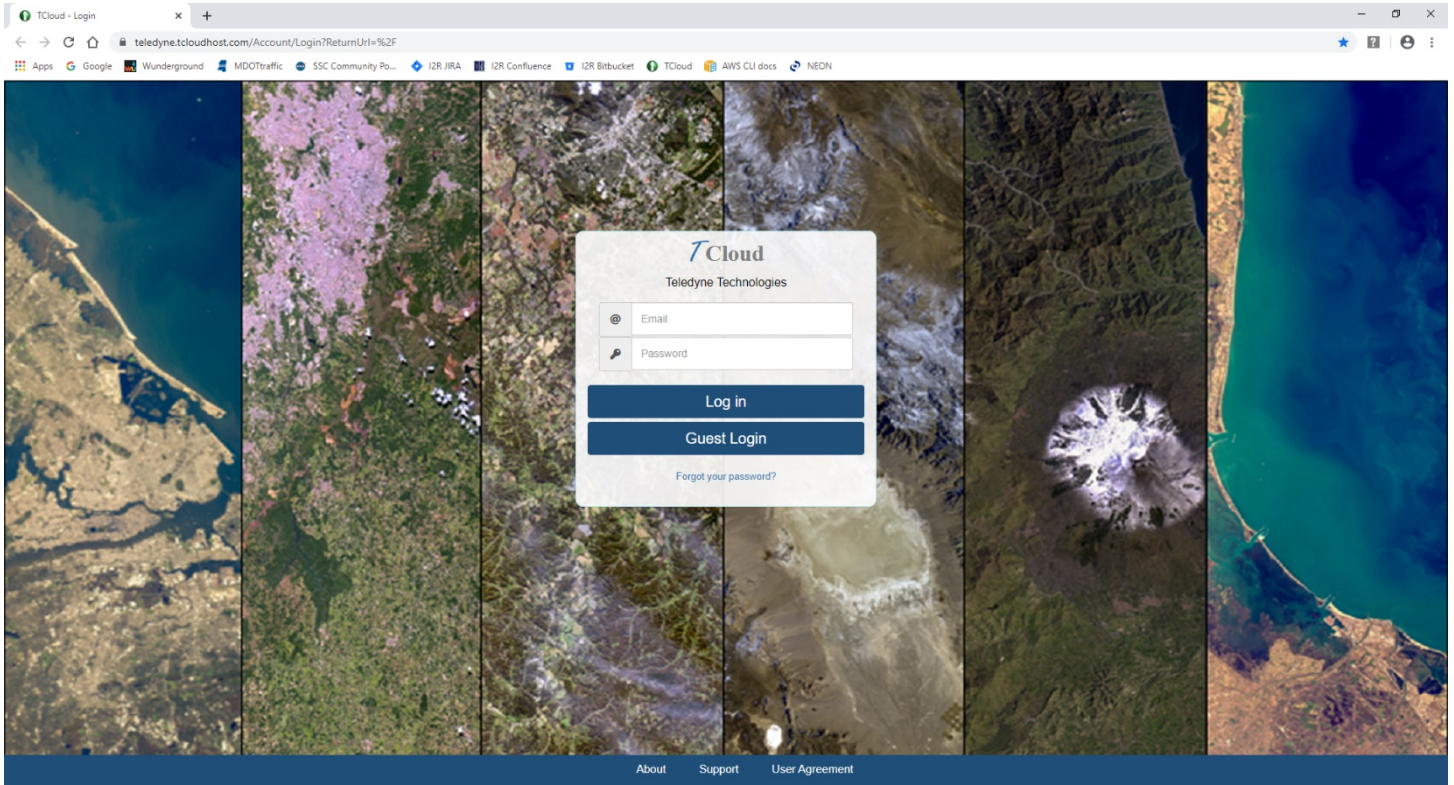
TCloud
Overview and Demonstration

TCloud Overview

- **TCloud is a Teledyne Brown Engineering – Geospatial Solutions cloud-based data management and distribution system for geospatial imagery.**
  - Front end – user interface
  - Back end – data processing
- **Allows approved users to submit DESIS sensor tasking requests and/or order archived DESIS data and retrieve the requested data.**
- **Allows for post-processing of the data in multiple ways.**

TCloud Demonstration

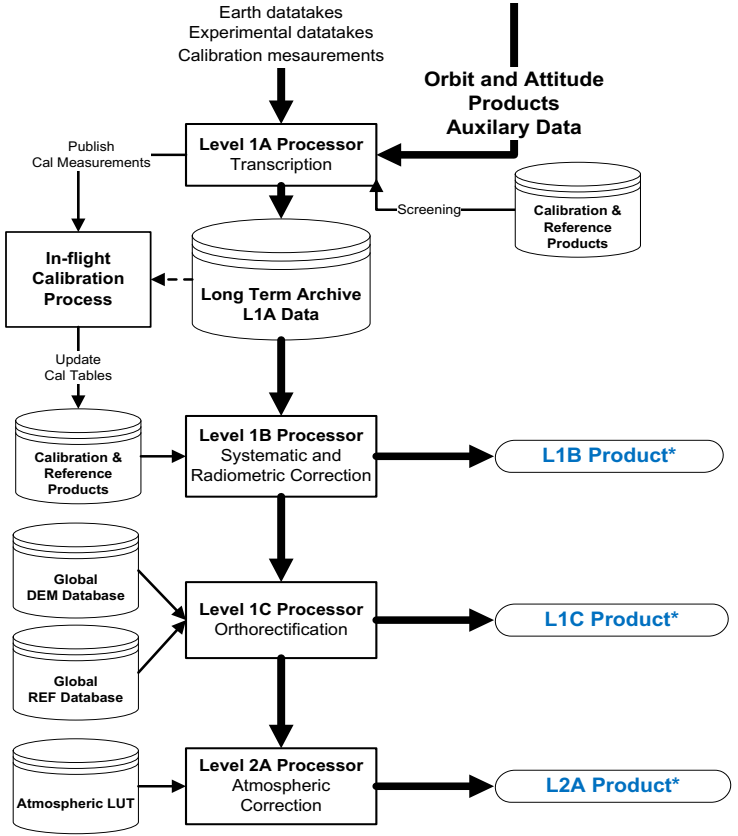
TCloud Website: https:\\teledyne.tcloudhost.com



DESIS
Data Delivery

Product Overview

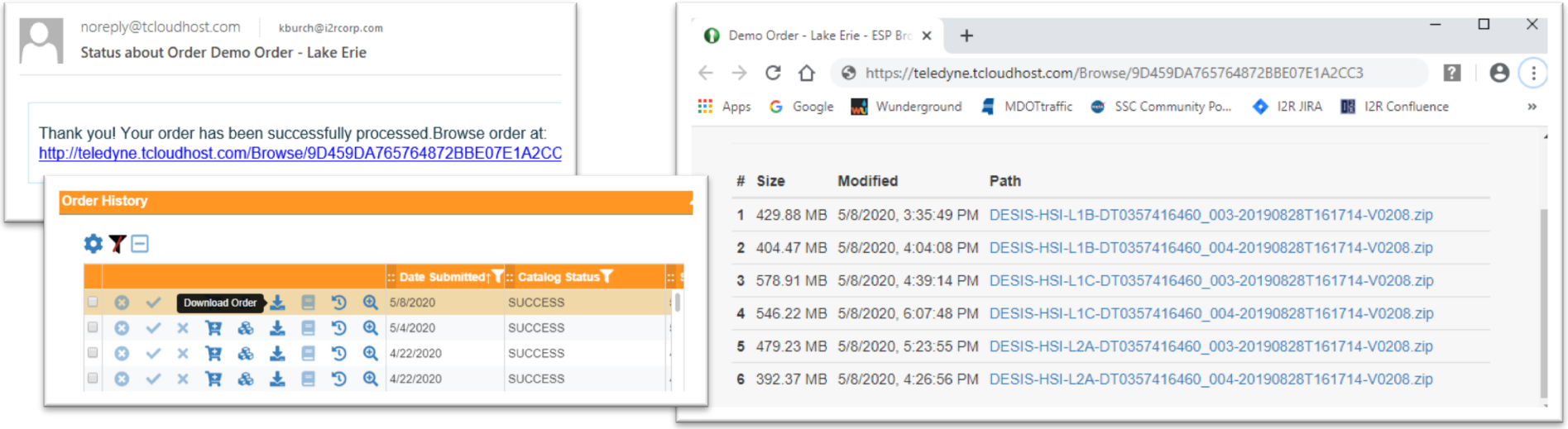
- **DESIS L1A raw data stored in archive**
  - Not an available product
- **Several levels of processing available for end-users**
  - L1B Radiance
  - L1C Orthorectified Radiance
  - L2A Surface Reflectance *(Coming Soon)*
- **Processing applied on-the-fly in the online archive when data is ordered**



*Delivery product

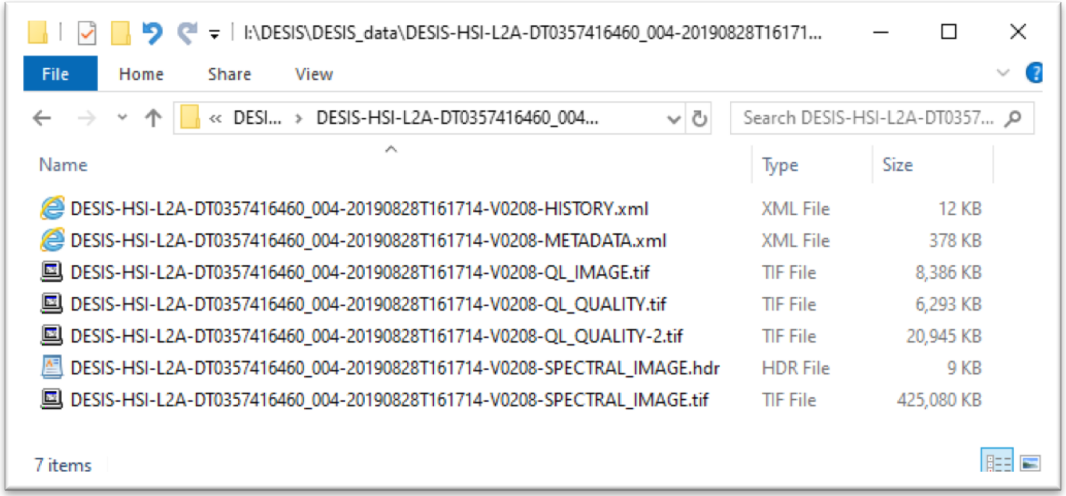
Order Download

- **DESIS data ordered from TCloud is delivered either via user download from the TCloud repository or to an AWS S3 bucket**
  - Each requested product/tile is provided as a separate zip file
  - Users are sent an email when ordered data is available for download
  - Users may also download directly from their order history



DESIS Delivered Files

- **Each delivered zip file contains:**
  - QuickLook Image
  - Metadata File
  - Quality Image
  - Ancillary Files
  - Hyperspectral Image
- **Expected zip file data volumes:**
  - Full spectral resolution data
    - 400 – 600 MB
  - Binned x 4 (10.2 nm)
    - 100 – 200 MB



File Naming Convention

DESIS-HSI-L<XX>-DT<nnnnnnnnnn>_<fff>-<yyyymmdd>T<hhmmss>-V<vvvv>-<file type>.<ext>

Where, <XX> is the product level (1B, 1C or 2A)
<nnnnnnnnnn> is a unique identifier from the planning system
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<ext> is the file extension (tif, xml, or hdr)

QuickLook Image

- **Each delivered tile includes a QuickLook image tif file (*QL_Image.tif)**
  - 3-band (~500 nm, 650 nm and 850nm) 8-bit image
- **Viewable using standard and image processing software**
  - Windows Photo Viewer
  - ENVI
  - Imagine
  - MATLAB

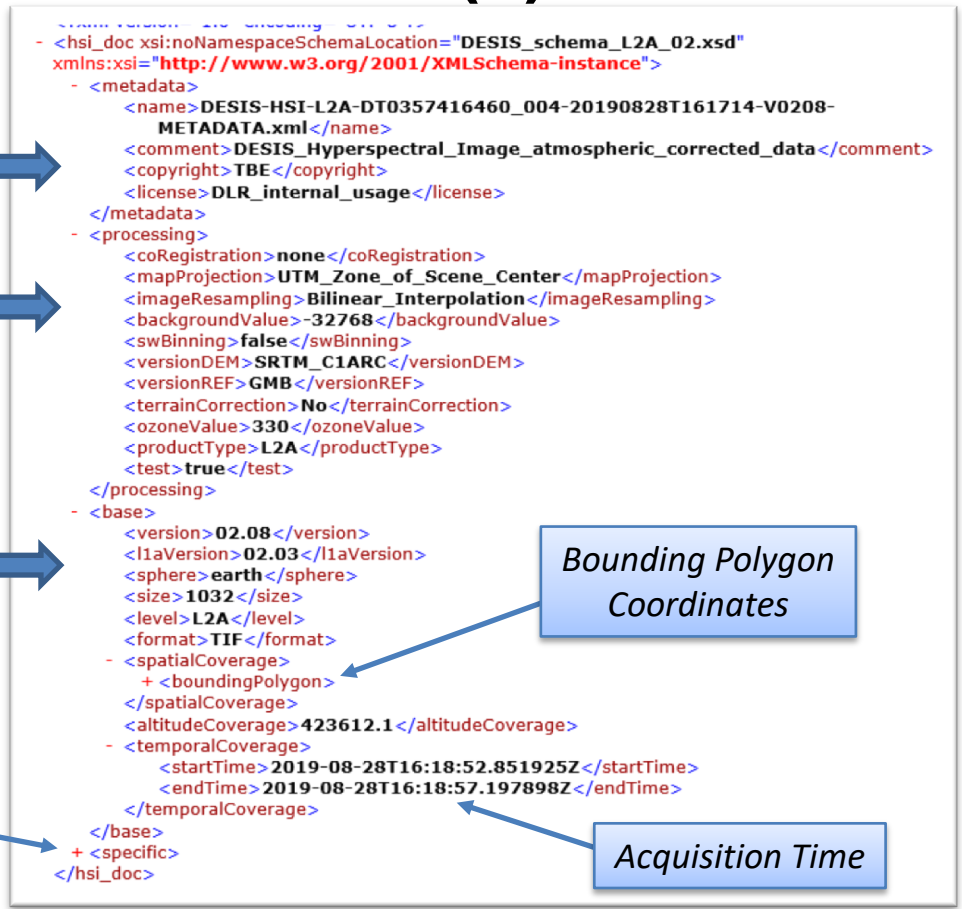
Lake Erie/Toledo OH, August 28, 2019
L2A Surface Reflectance QuickLook Image

Metadata File

- **Metadata includes information about the sensor, acquisition and processing in xml format (*METADATA.xml)**
  - Image corner coordinates, acquisition times and sun and sensor geometry at the time of acquisition are provided
  - Center wavelengths, spectral band information, and scale factors (gains and offsets) are provided for each band
  - Information relating to the image orthorectification is also included for L1C and higher products
- **Text file viewable using web browser (e.g. Internet Explorer) or text editor (e.g. WordPad or Notepad)**
- **Metadata fields described in Section 5.1 of DESIS Product Specifications: https://tbe.com/__documents/PDFs/DESIS_Specifications.pdf**

Metadata File Contents (1)

- **Metadata file contents**
  - File information
  - Processing parameters (product type, resampling, map projection)
  - Base parameters (location, time, processing level)



Metadata File Contents (2)

- **Specific Parameters**
  - Sensor information
  - Orbit and processing information
  - Product dependent processing information
  - Acquisition information (sun and sensor geometry)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Spectral Band Information (next slide)

Metadata File Contents (3)

- **Band Characteristics provided for each spectral band**
  - Center wavelength (nm)
  - Band FWHM (nm)
  - Band spectral response and corresponding wavelengths
  - Gain and Offset
    - For conversion to radiance or reflectance
  - % dead or suspicious pixels

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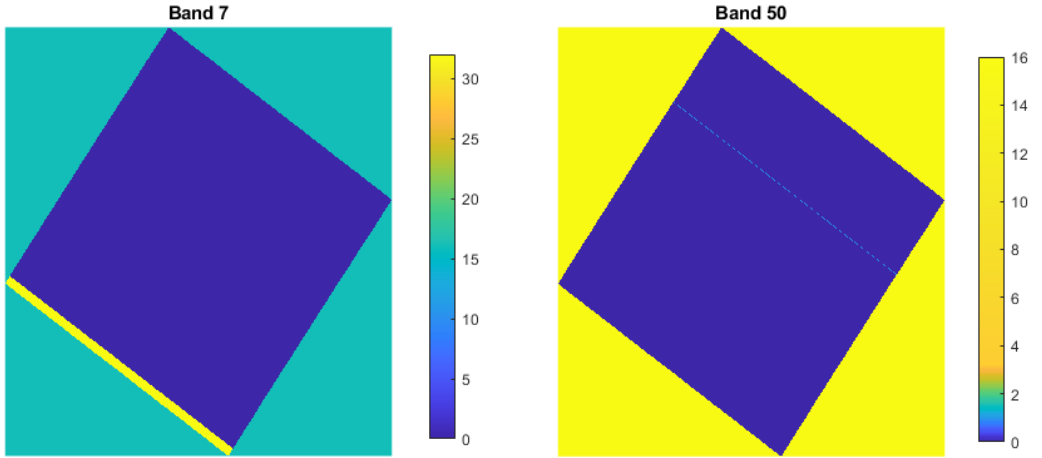
Quality File

- **Quality file provides location of defect or suspect pixels, and identifies the quality issue (*QL_QUALITY.tif)**
  - 8-bit tif with same number of bands as hyperspectral image
  - Each bit provides a flag for possible image quality issues
    - Pixel with quality issue (and surrounding pixels) have appropriate bit set to 1

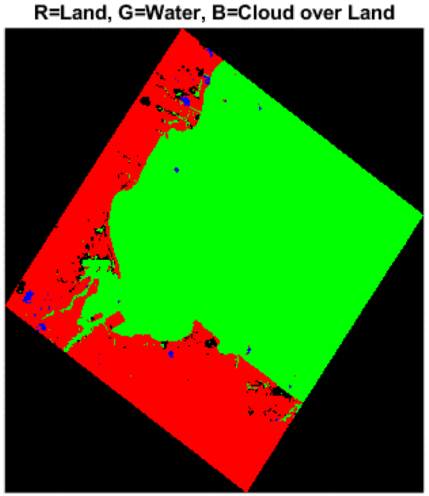
Bit Value	Quality Flag
7	Not Used
6	Unreliable Calibration
5	Manufacturing Defect
4	No Data
3	Low Radiance Value
2	High Radiance Value
1	Suspicious
0	Dead

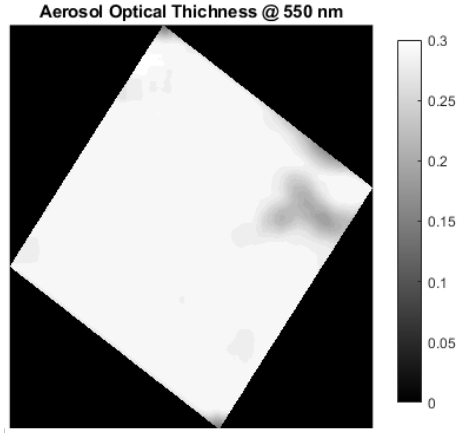


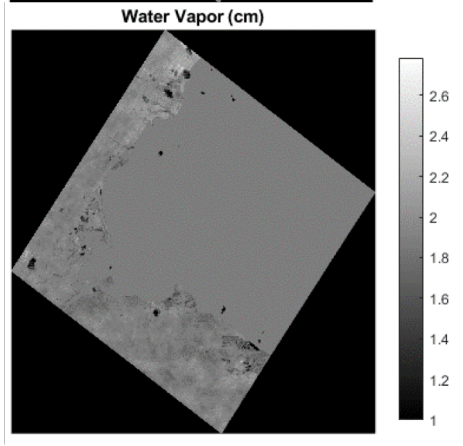
L2A Quality-2 File

- **L2A surface reflectance products are delivered with an additional quality file in a 10-band 8-bit tif (*QL_QUALITY-2.tif)**
  - Per pixel classification with 8 mask layers (0=false, 1=true)
  - Aerosol optical depth at 550 nm (layer 9, scaled by 100)
  - Water vapor in cm (layer 10, scaled by 42)

Layer	Pixel Classification
1	Shadow
2	Clear Land
3	Snow
4	Haze over land
5	Haze over water
6	Cloud over land
7	Cloud over water
8	Water







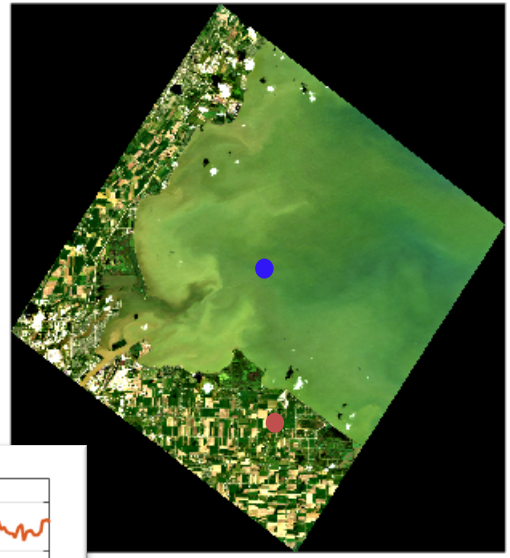
Ancillary Files

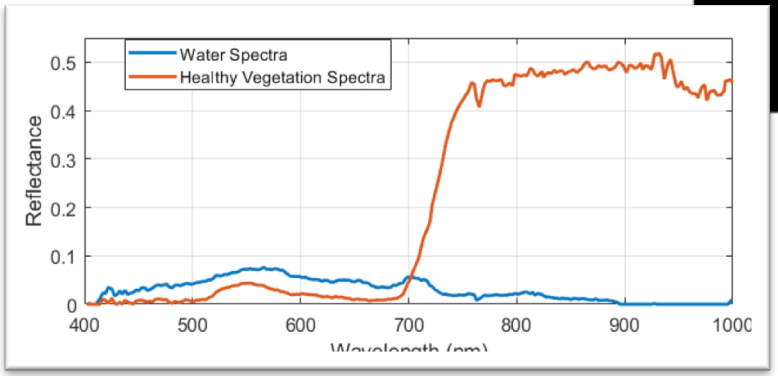
- **ENVI format header file (*.hdr)**
  - Includes projection information for rectified image display
  - Includes per band center wavelengths and scale factors required to convert data to radiance or reflectance
- **Product history file (*HISTORY.xml)**
  - Contains information about the executed processing steps and the algorithms and files used to produce the data product

Hyperspectral Image

- **Spectral image file contains the hyperspectral data (*SPECTRAL_IMAGE.tif)**
  - 16-bit tif with a separate image layer per hyperspectral band
  - Scaled DN
- **Requires image processing software or specialized reader to view**
  - ENVI
  - Imagine
  - MATLAB/Python

R=650nm, G=550nm, B=450nm





DESIS
Data Processing Introduction

Image Processing Software

- **Specialized software is required to import, visualize and generate products from scientific image data**
  - Software enables full exploitation of geometric and spectral properties of remotely sensed data
- **Software specifically designed for image processing**
  - ENVI (L3 Harris) developed for hyperspectral imagery analysis
  - ERDAS Imagine
- **Programming software with significant image processing capability**
  - MATLAB (MathWorks)
  - Python (open source)

Examples will be shown using hyperspectral imagery in ENVI

Image Visualization

- **ENVI can be used to view the image**
  - Band selection for RGB display
- **Spectral profiles can also be viewed**
  - Included .hdr file automatically read and used to define wavelengths

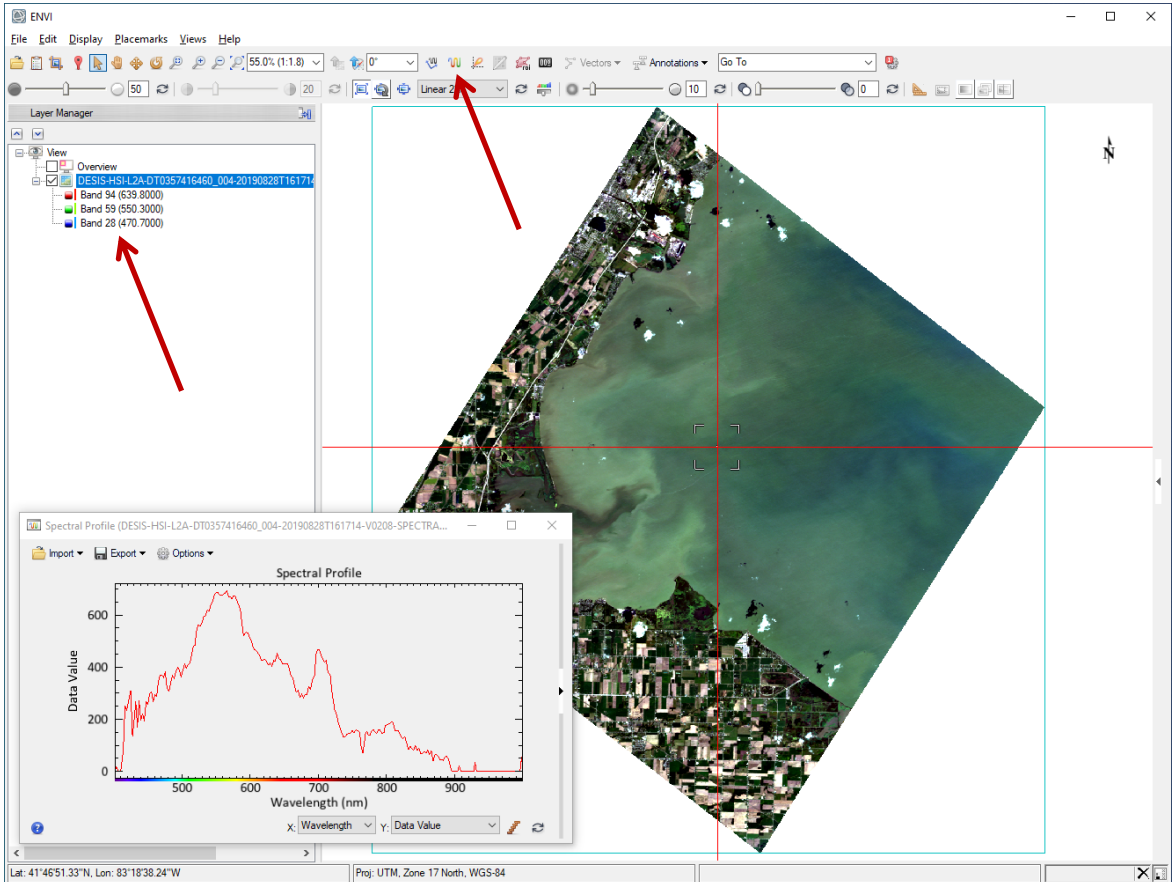
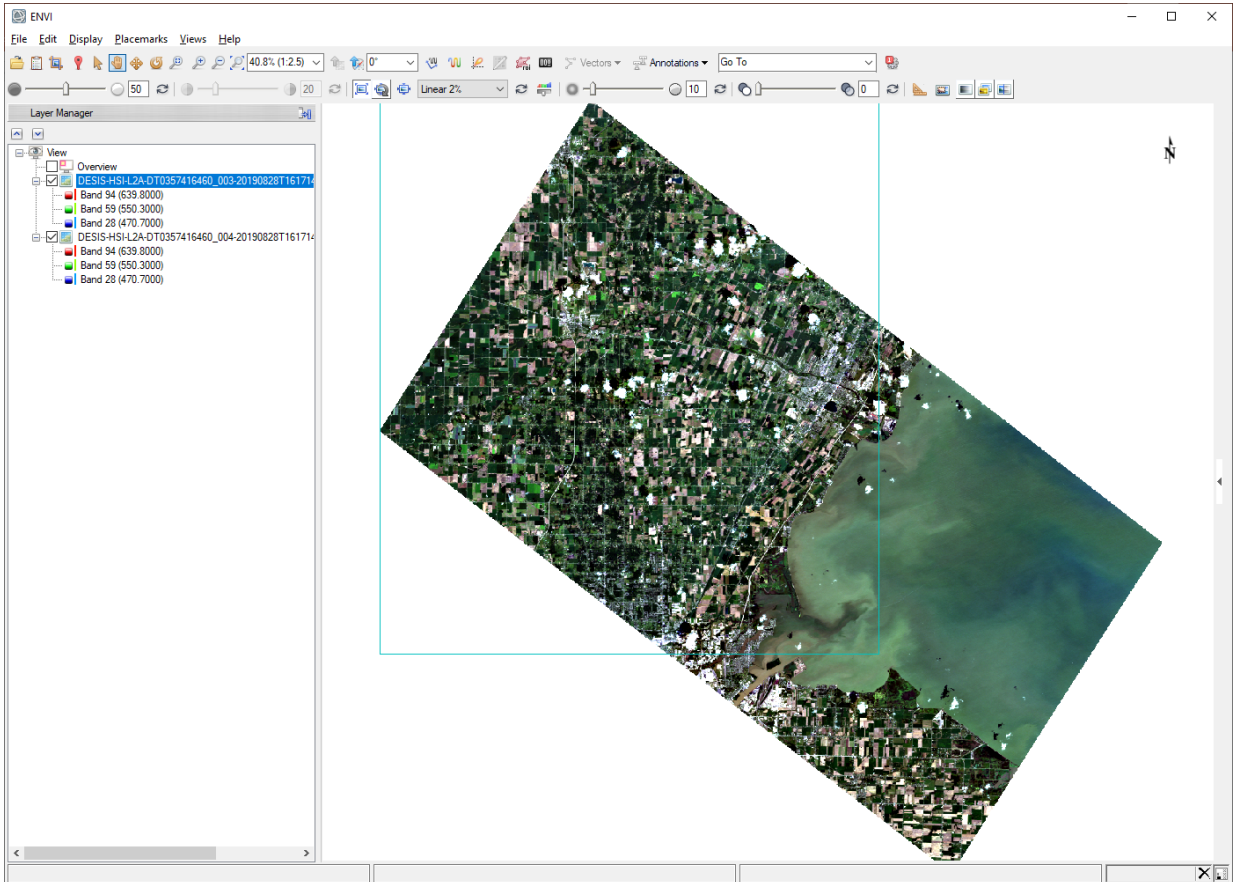


Image Visualization

- **Georeferencing information included in the .hdr is also automatically applied by the image processing software**
  - Orthorectified products (L1C and L2A) only



Converting to Radiance/Reflectance

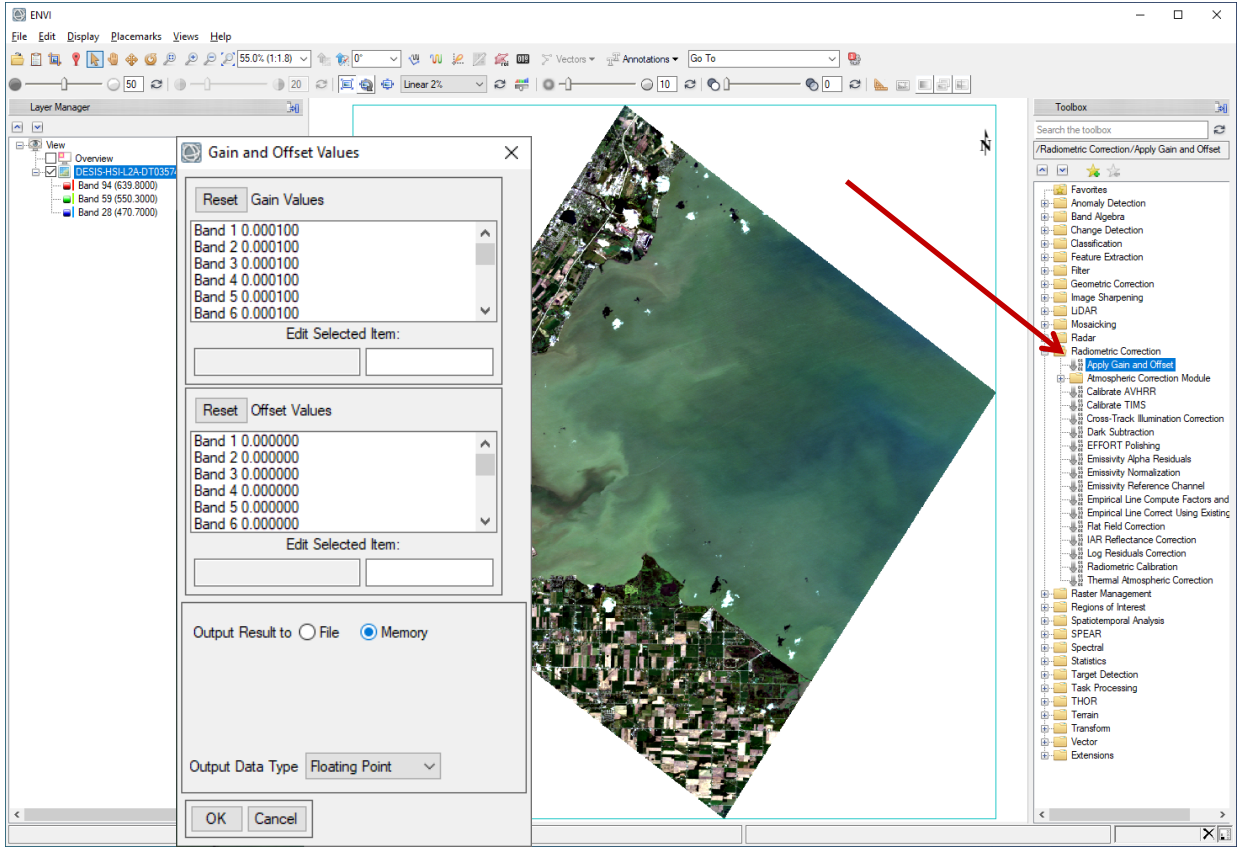
- **Hyperspectral imagery provided in int16 scaled DN format**
  - Gains and offsets provided in the .xml metadata for each spectral band convert the data to radiance (L1B, L1C) or reflectance (L2A)
    - Radiance units mW cm^{-2} sr^{-1} μm^{-1}
- **The .hdr file included with each DESIS image also contains the gains and offsets and can be used to convert the data in ENVI**
  - Use the Apply Gains and Offsets function in the Toolboxes

$$L_{i,j,B} = G_B * DN_{i,j,B} + O_B$$

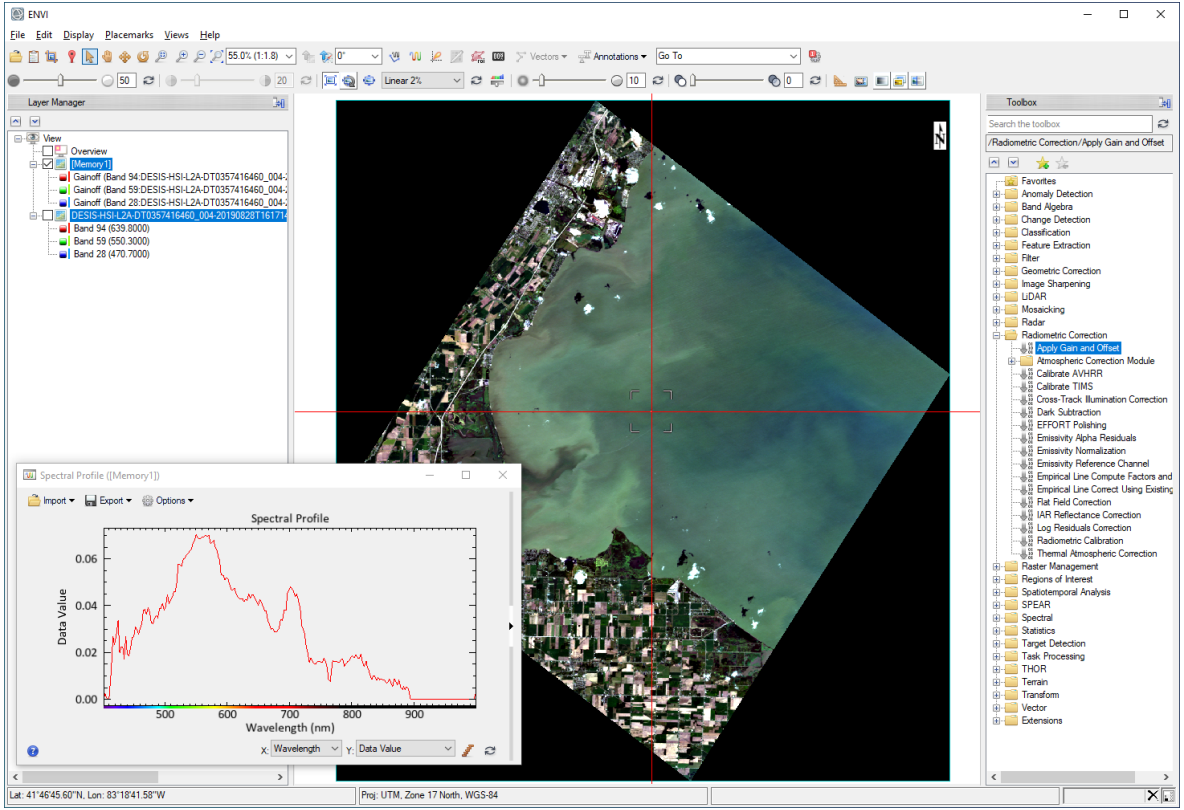
Where, $L_{i,j,B}$ = Radiance (or reflectance) for pixel i,j per band, B
G_B = Gain per band, B
$DN_{i,j,B}$ = DN for pixel i,j per band, B
O_B = Offset per band, B

Radiance/Reflectance Conversion in ENVI

- **Apply Gain and Offset Tool in the Radiometric Correction Toolbox**
  - Converts L2A to reflectance
  - Converts L1B, L1C to radiance
    - Can apply different atmospheric correction algorithm
- **Floating point output radiance/reflectance**

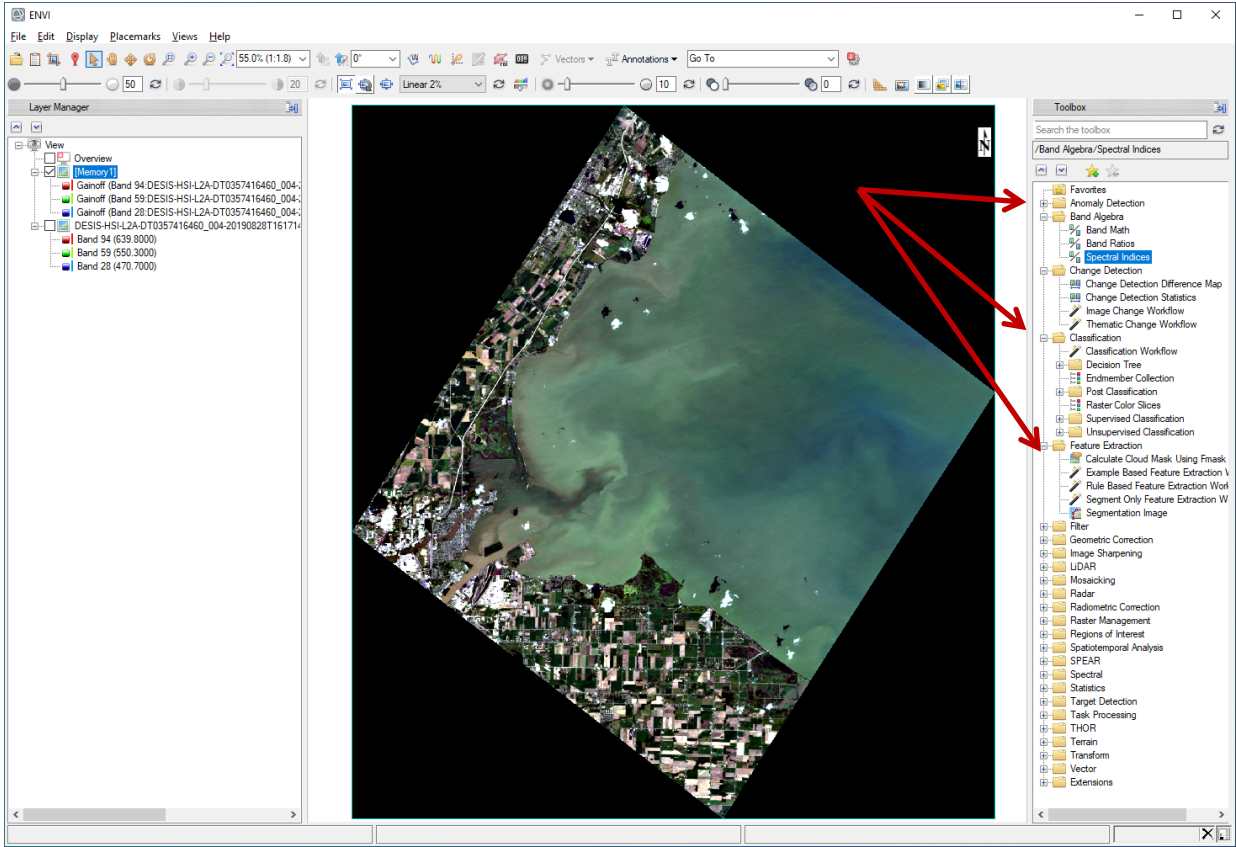


Radiance/Reflectance Conversion Output



Simple Product Generation

- **ENVI toolbox has pre-built products and application (spectral indices, classification, feature extraction)**
  - Convert data to radiance or reflectance
  - Apply desired tool



Resources

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- **Additional information about DESIS imagery, files and processing algorithms can be found at https://tbe.com/geospatial/desis**
- **Contacts information**
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