



Remote sensing:
An efficient tool for volcanoes monitoring

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	Passive systems	Active systems	
		Ranging	Imaging
VNIR	Aerial photography (5) Electro-optical systems (6)	Laser profiler (8)	
TIR	TIR imager (6)		
Microwave	Passive microwave radiometer (7)	Radar altimeter (8) Ground-penetrating radar (8)	Microwave scatterometer (9) Imaging radar (9)

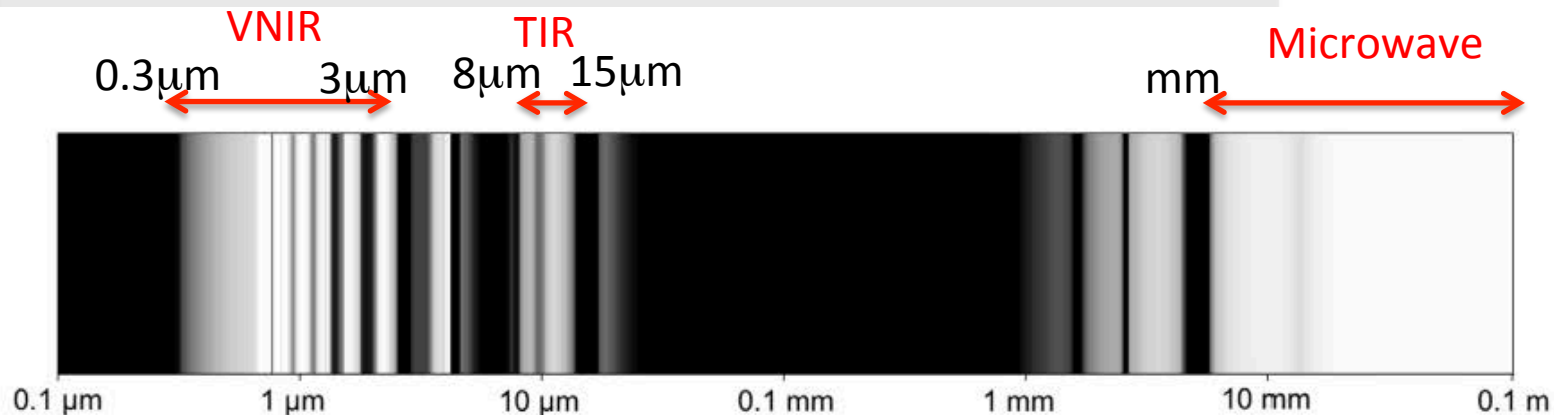


Figure 1.5. Transparency of the Earth's atmosphere as a function of wavelength (schematic). Black regions are opaque, white regions transparent.

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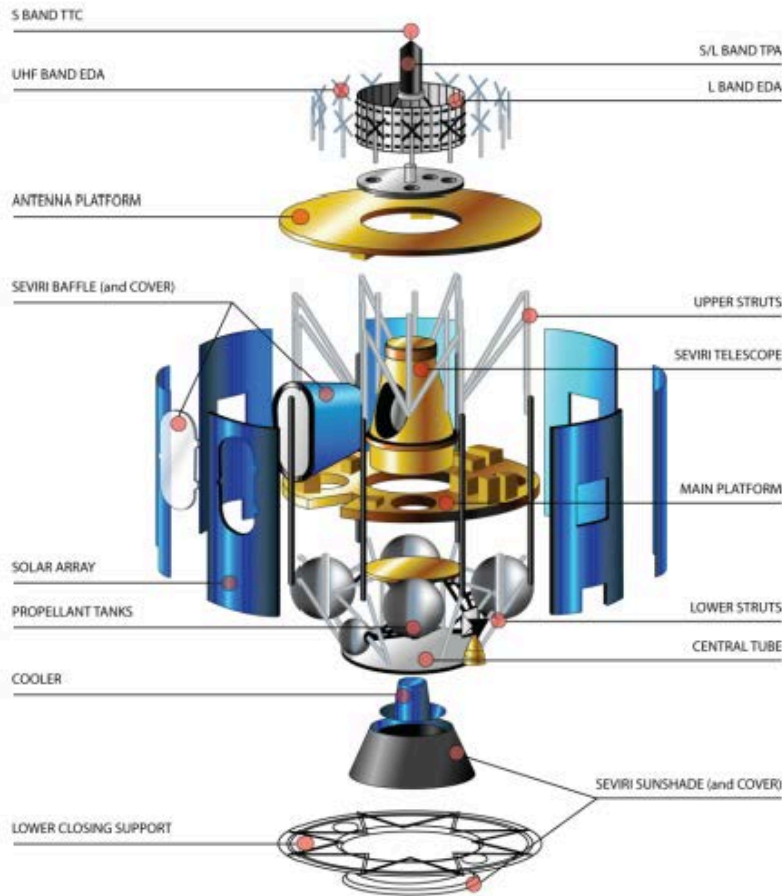
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Meteosat Second Generation

4 geostationary meteorological satellites ($\text{Ø}=3.2\text{m}, h=2.4\text{m}$)

The MSG system provides accurate weather monitoring data through its primary instrument — the Spinning Enhanced Visible and InfraRed Imager (SEVIRI) — which has the capacity to observe the Earth in **12 spectral channels**.



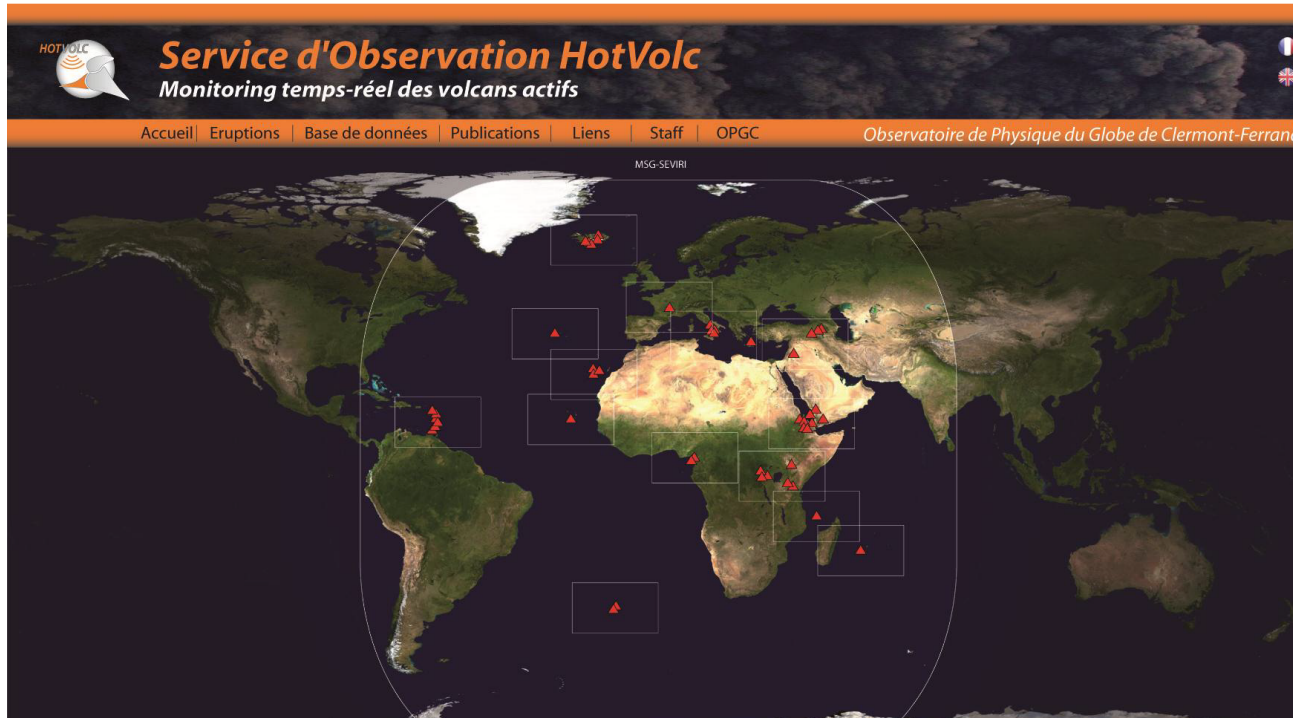
Repeat time: 15 min

4 channels in the visible
(1HRV –resolution 1km
otherwise resolution 3 km)
8 channels in the thermal IR
(resolution 3 km)

Meteosat Second Generation

Can be used to :

- detect ash and estimate ash concentration (*Prata et al, 89*)
- detect and estimate SO₂ concentrations (less efficient than UV absorption)
- to detect lava flows and estimate flow rates (thermal anomalies)

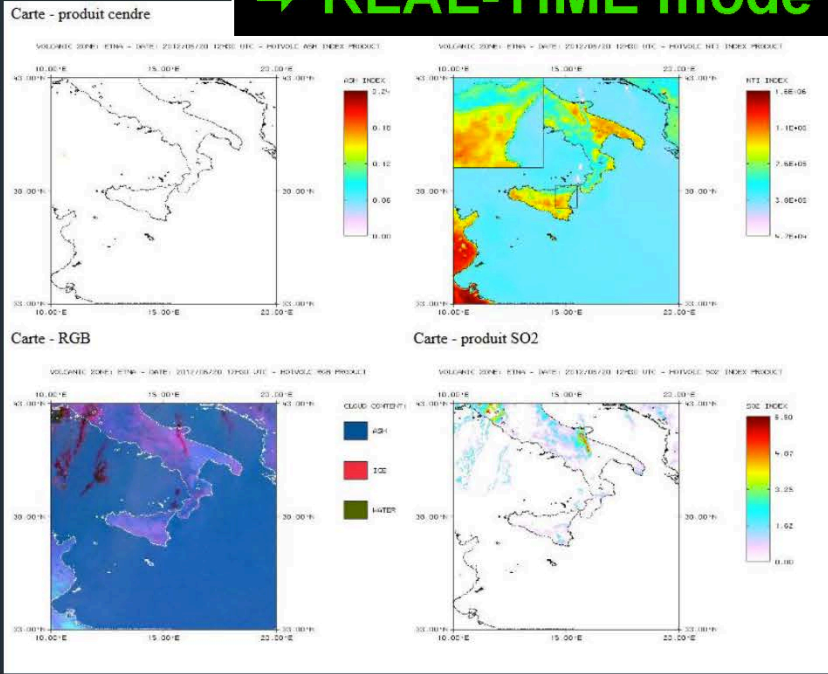
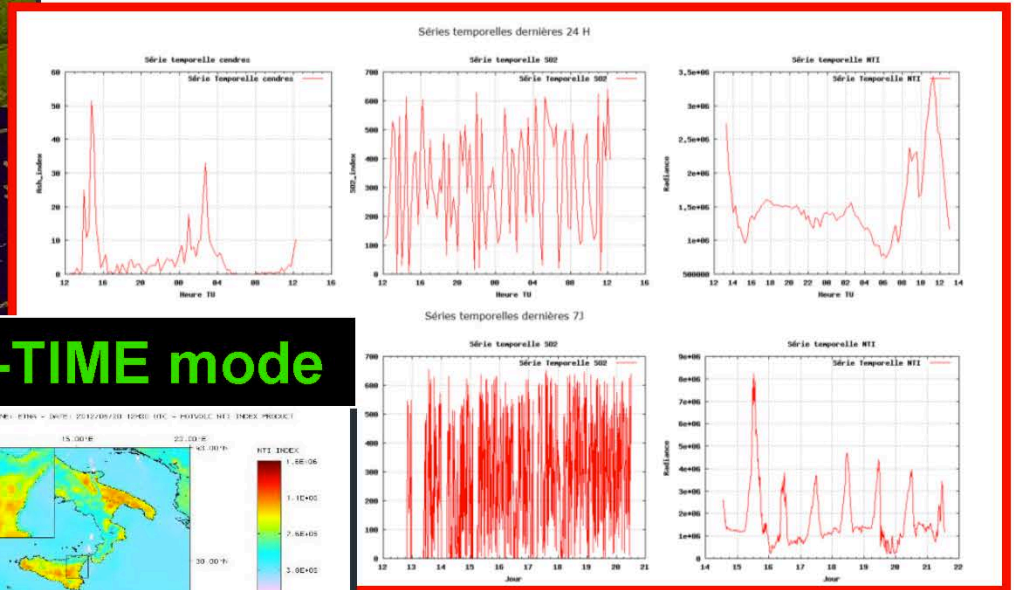


<http://wwwobs.univ-bpclermont.fr/SO/televolc/hotvolc/index.php>

Time series

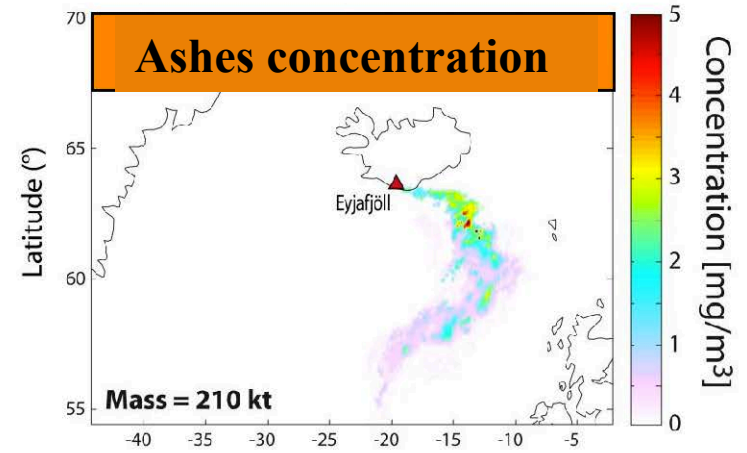
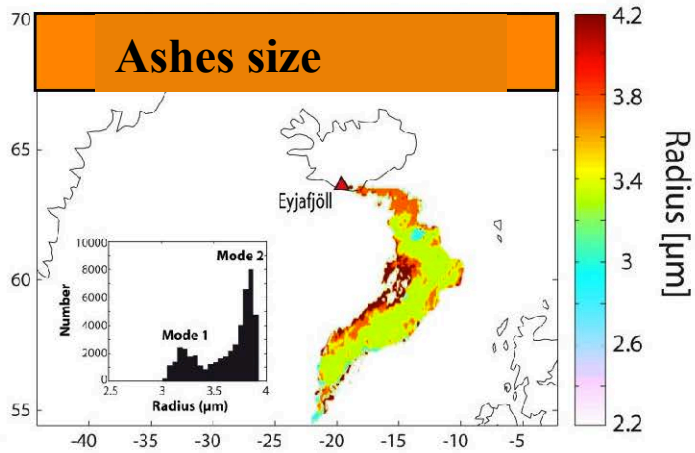
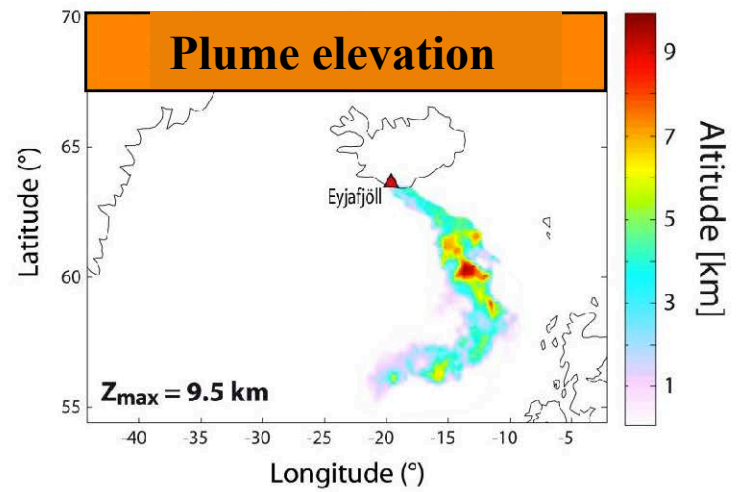
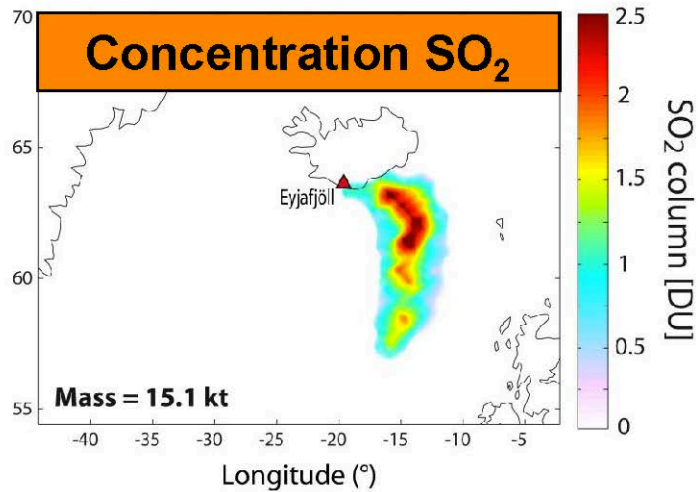


⇒ REAL-TIME mode



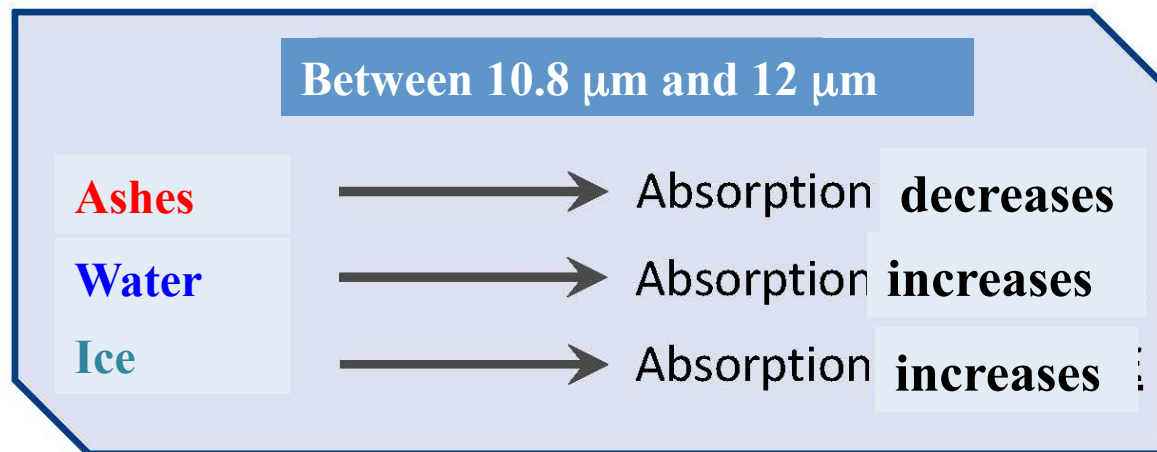
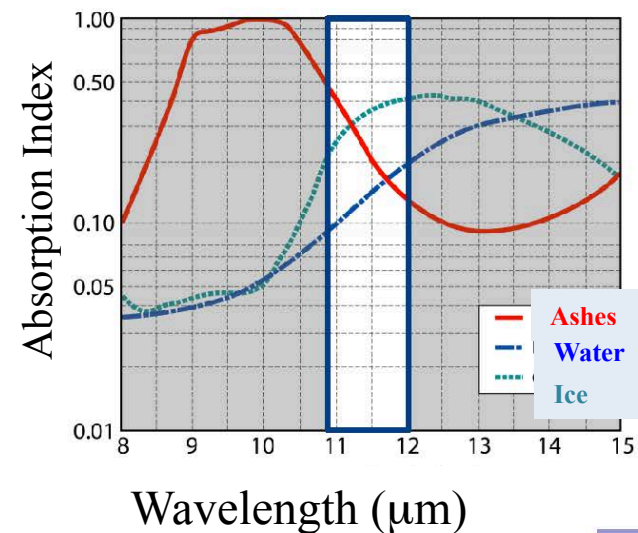
Maps

HotVolc



From Gouhier et al., CNFGG, 2012

Ash detection: the « Split-Window » method from Prata, 1989

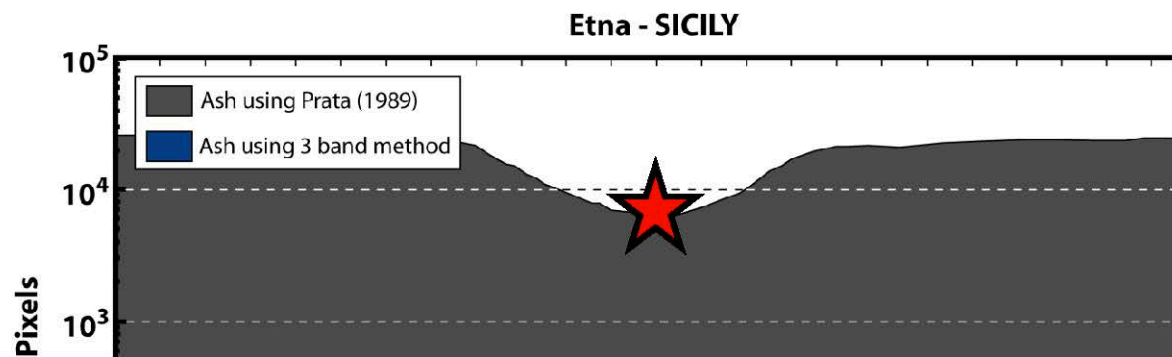


$$\text{BTD}[10.8-12] = T_{b_{\text{IR } 10.8 \mu\text{m}}} - T_{b_{\text{IR } 12 \mu\text{m}}}$$

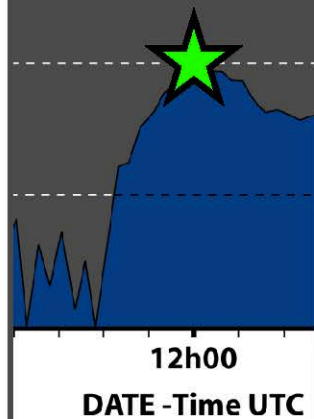
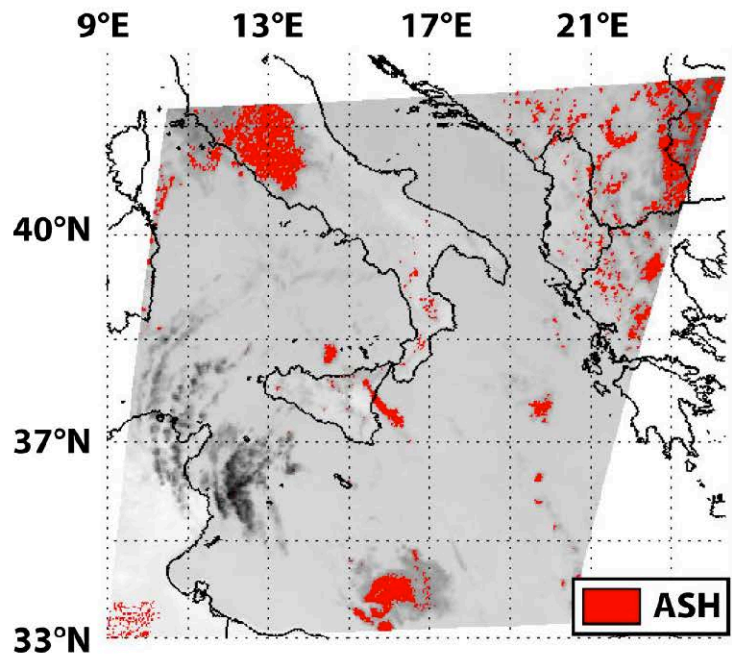
Ash clouds
BTD[10.8-12] → NEGATIVE

Meteorological clouds
BTD[10.8-12] → POSITIVE

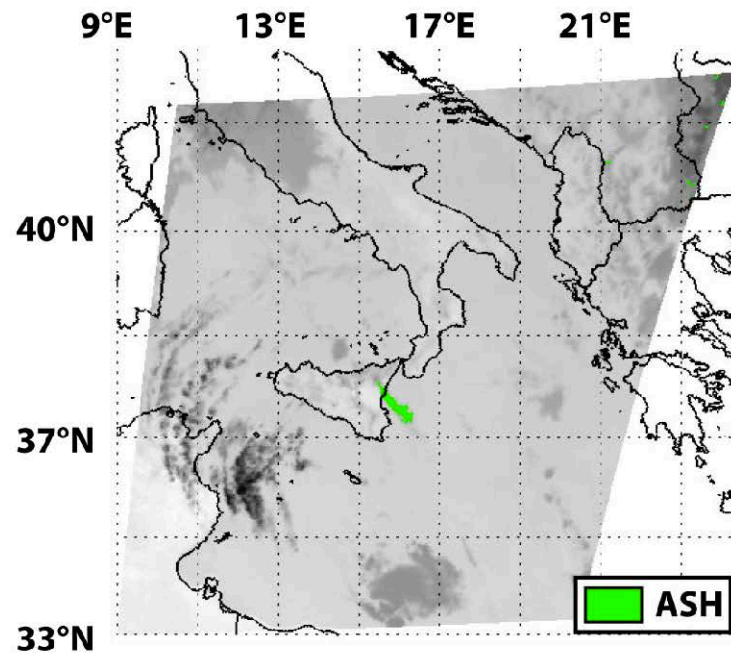
Ash detection: enhancement of the « Split-window » method



Mount Etna - 24 November 2006 - 12:00 UTC



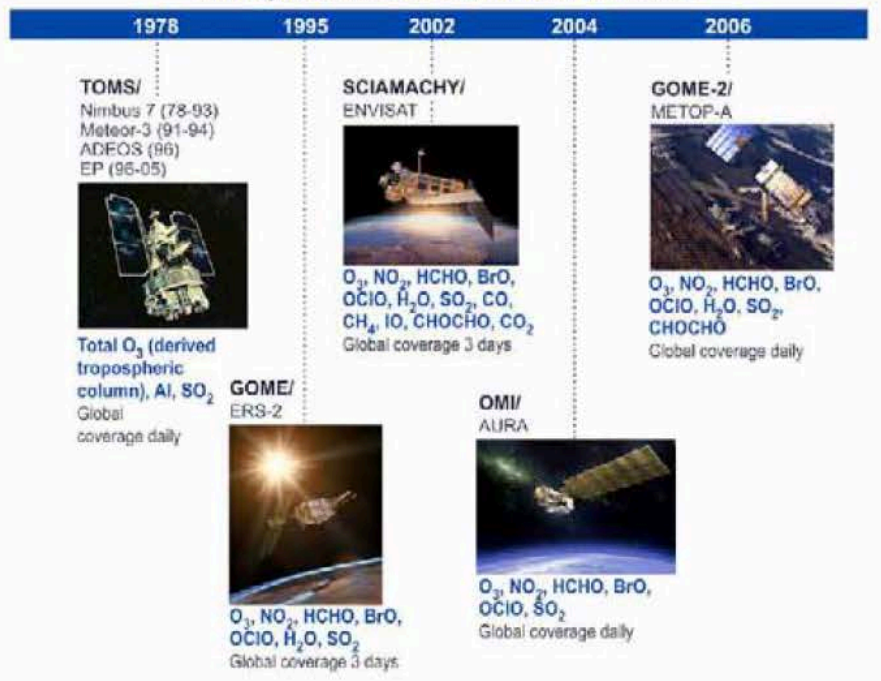
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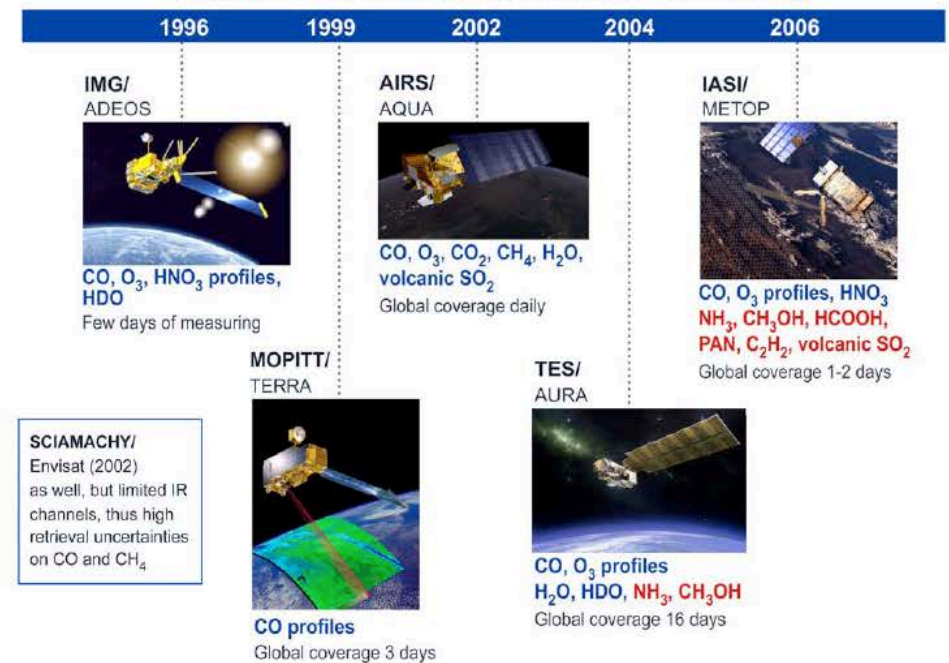
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Meteorological Satellites available for IR-visible-UV observations

Atmospheric measurements from UV-visible



Atmospheric measurements from nadir IR sounding

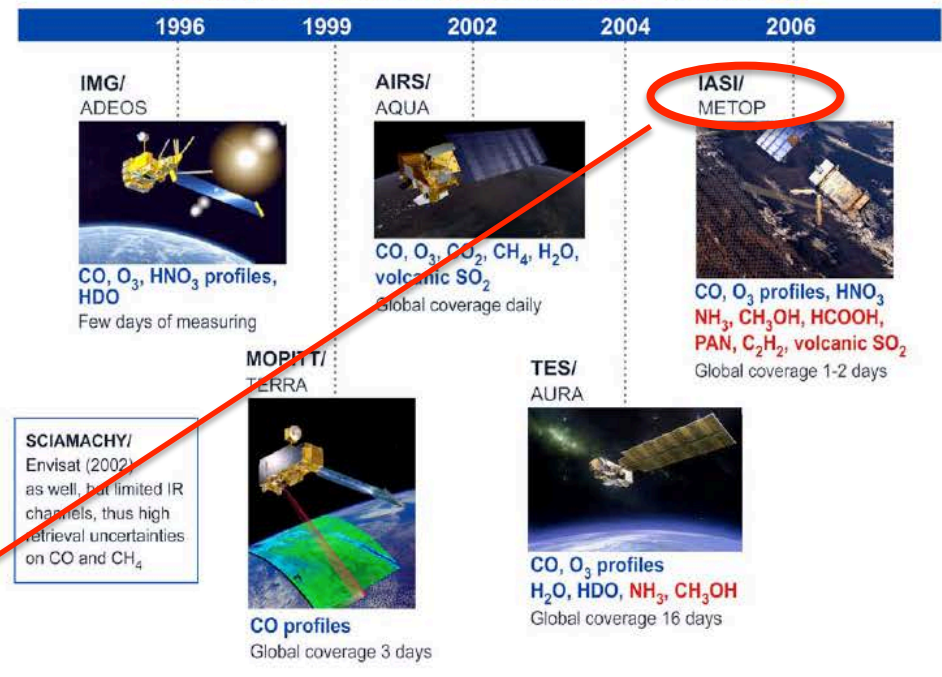


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IASI (Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer)

–Infrared(3.62 μm to 15.5 μm)

–⇒2 overpasses per day (9:30am, 9:30 pm local time)

–Spatial resolution: (12 km x 12 km)

–Retrieval of SO₂ assuming a 7 km high plume.(Clerbaux et al. 09)

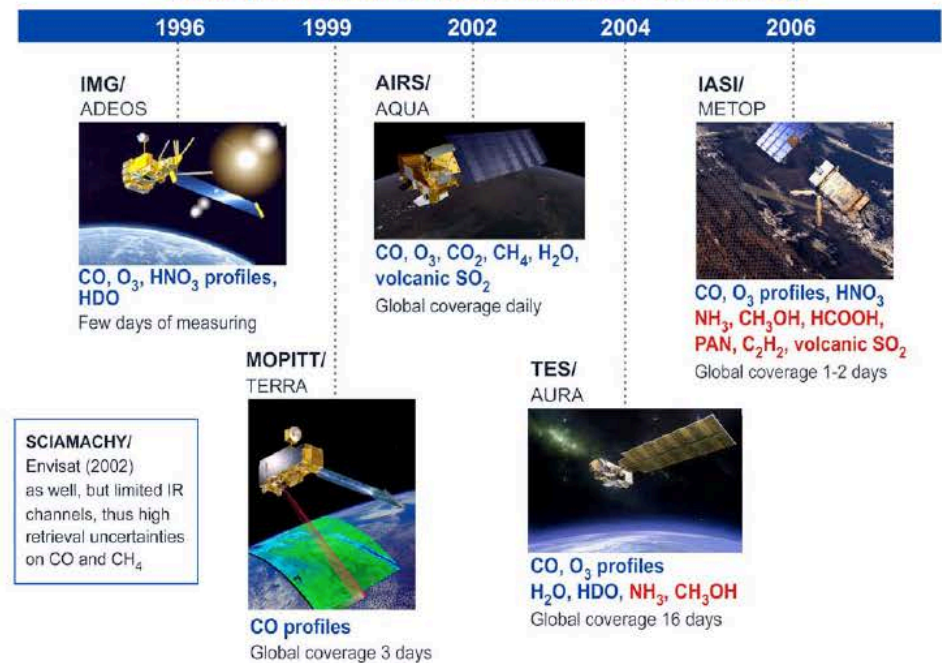
Detection of SO₂ above 5 km

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OMI (Ozone Monitoring Instrument) NASA

–UV (306-380nm)

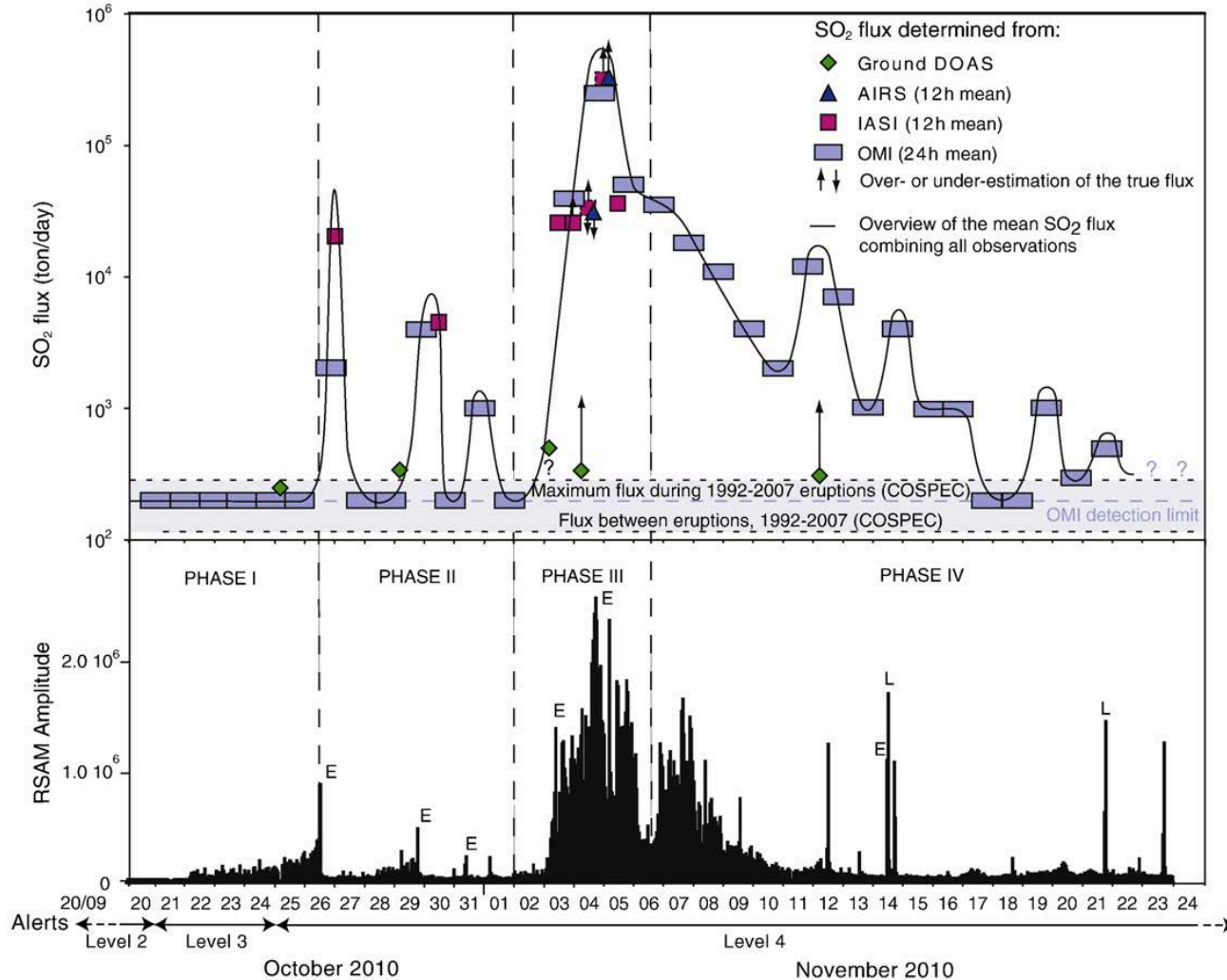
–⇒1 overpass per day (1h45pm local time)

–Spatial resolution: (13 km x 24 km)

Detection of SO₂ in the lower troposphere

Gas measurements for the 2010 Merapi eruption

Surono et al, 2013



E: explosion, L: Lahar

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IR satellites are used to detect temperature anomalies

*MODIS (**Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer**): NASA on Terra and Aqua
Spatial resolution 1*1 km

Information here: <http://modis.higp.hawaii.edu/>

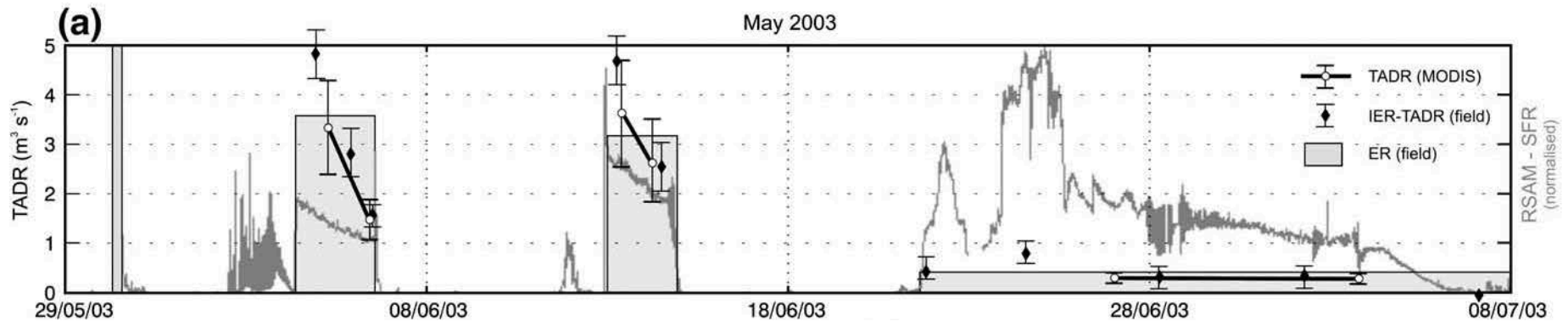
*AVHRR *Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer* NOAA
Spatial resolution 1*1 km

*Landsat TM (Thematic Mapper), ETM+ (Enhanced Thematic Mapper Plus) NASA
Spatial resolution 30 m*30 m (resampled)

*ASTER (Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer) NASA on Terra
TIR Spatial resolution 90m*90m

IR satellites are used to estimate magma discharge rate

From $T_{\text{surf}} - T_{\text{amb}}$



Example for Piton de la Fournaise (Reunion Island) based on MODIS data
(10% can be used)

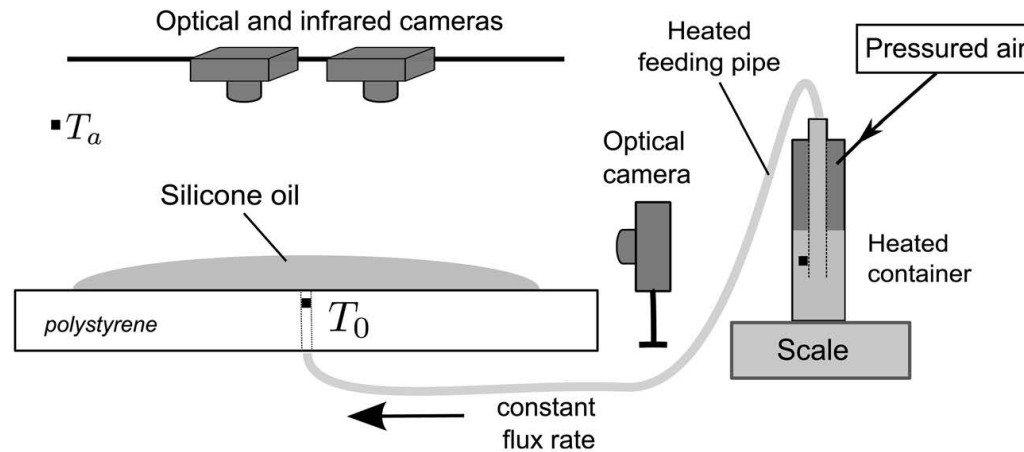
From Coppola et al, 2009

Experimental study to validate the use of thermal data

Garel et al, 2012

Aim of the study: to make the link between **magma flow rate** and the thermal signal measured by remote sensing.

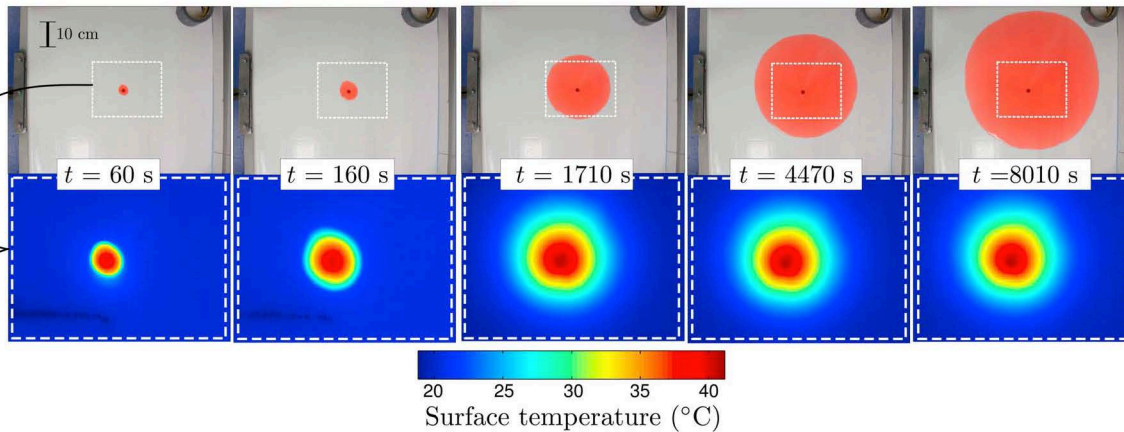
Study of flow and cooling of a fluid ($\mu=\text{constant}$) injected at a constant flow rate.



Experimental setup

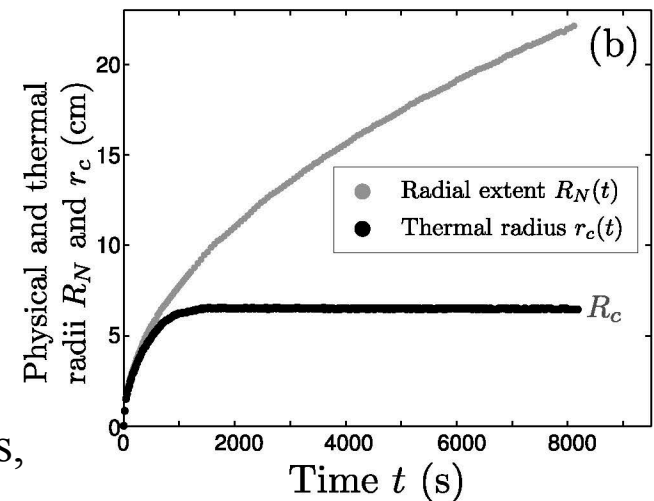
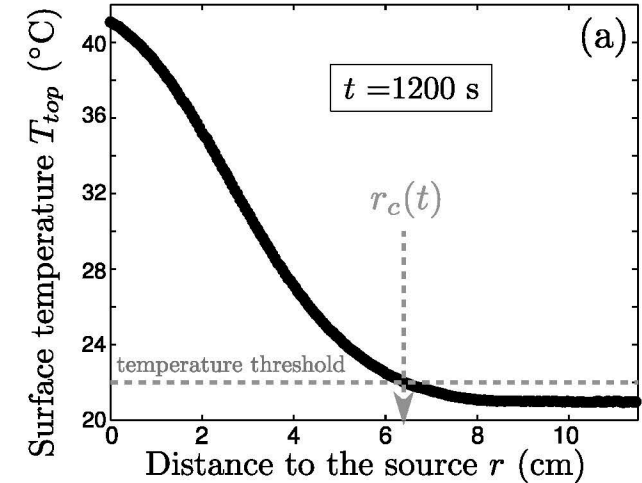
Thermal signature of lava flows

Experimental results:



Analytical and numerical studies allow to quantify:

- the coefficient between r_c and magma flow rate (weakly dependant on magma viscosity)
- the time required to be in the stationary state (highly dependant on magma viscosity: a few days for basalts, A few years for lava domes)



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Optical Satellites (visible)

*Landsat: 1st satellite dedicated to Earth Observation (1972) (NASA)

Spatial resolution 15m

*ALOS AVNIR-2 (JAXA)

Spatial resolution 10 m, revisit rate of 2 days

*IRS (Indian Remote Sensing) (1995)

Spatial resolution 5.8m

*SPOT (CNES) (1986)

Spatial resolution 2.5m

*Pleiades (CNES) soon

Spatial resolution 0.5m

*IKONOS (1999)

Spatial resolution 0.84m

*Quickbird (2001)

Spatial resolution 0.6m

*Geoeye1 (2008)

Spatial resolution 0.5m

Image from Pleiades (visible)

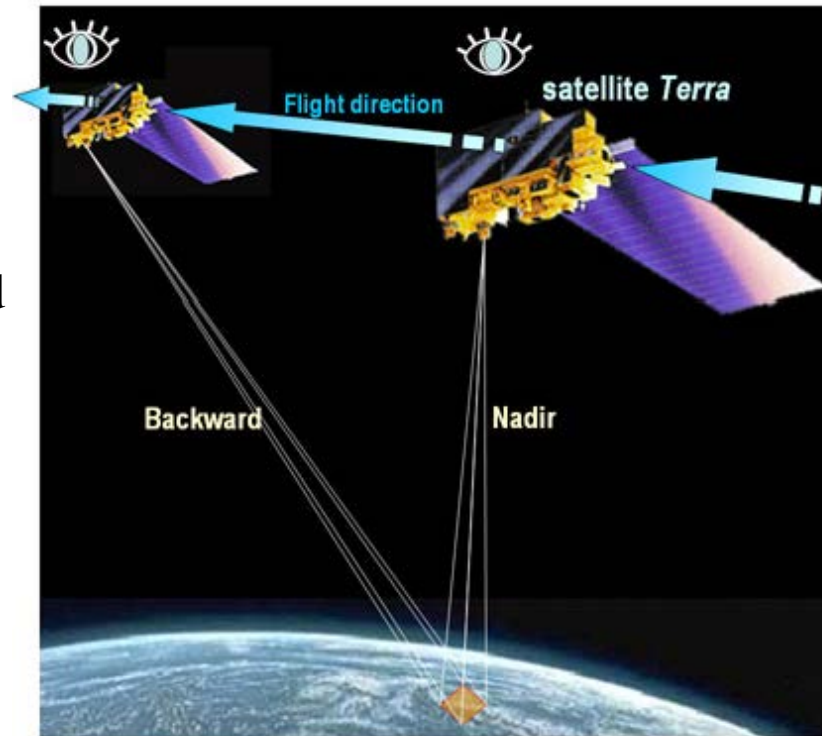


Image Pleiades, Egypt, 2012 CNES Distribution Astrium Services / Spot Image

Use of optical images to produce DEM

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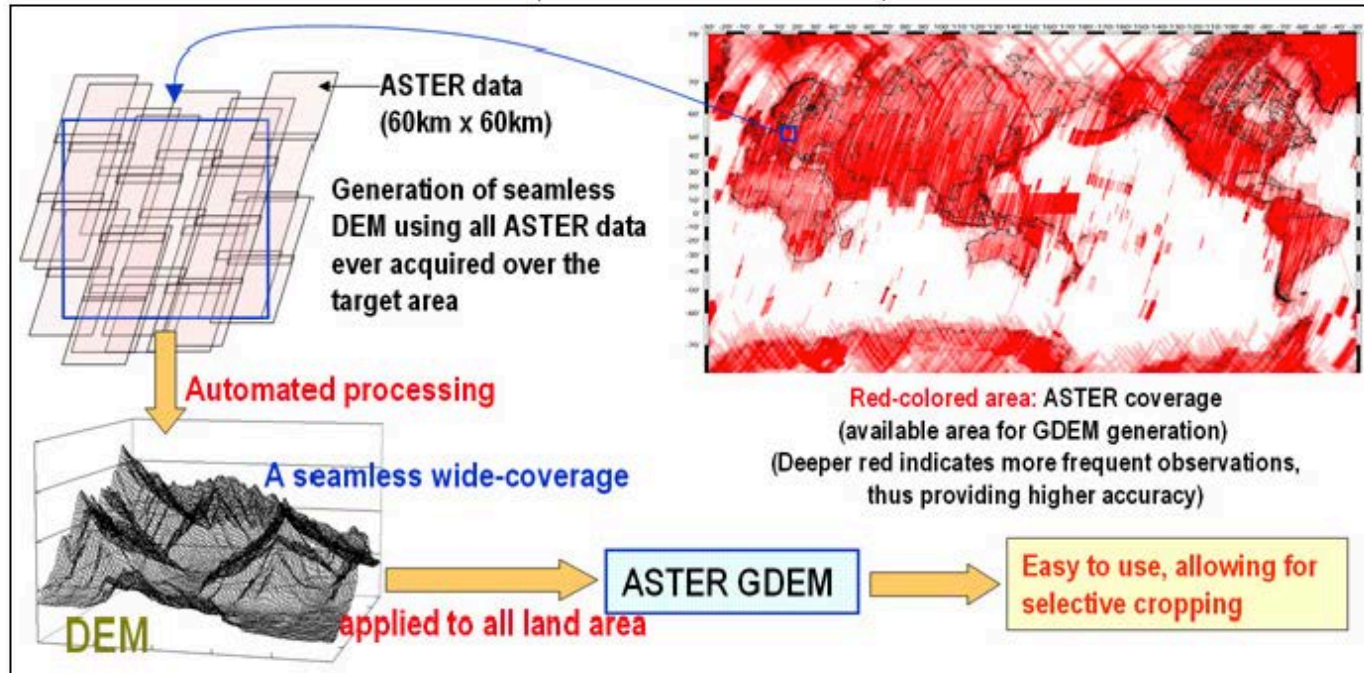
DEM is generated from a stereo-pair of images acquired with nadir and backward angles over the same area



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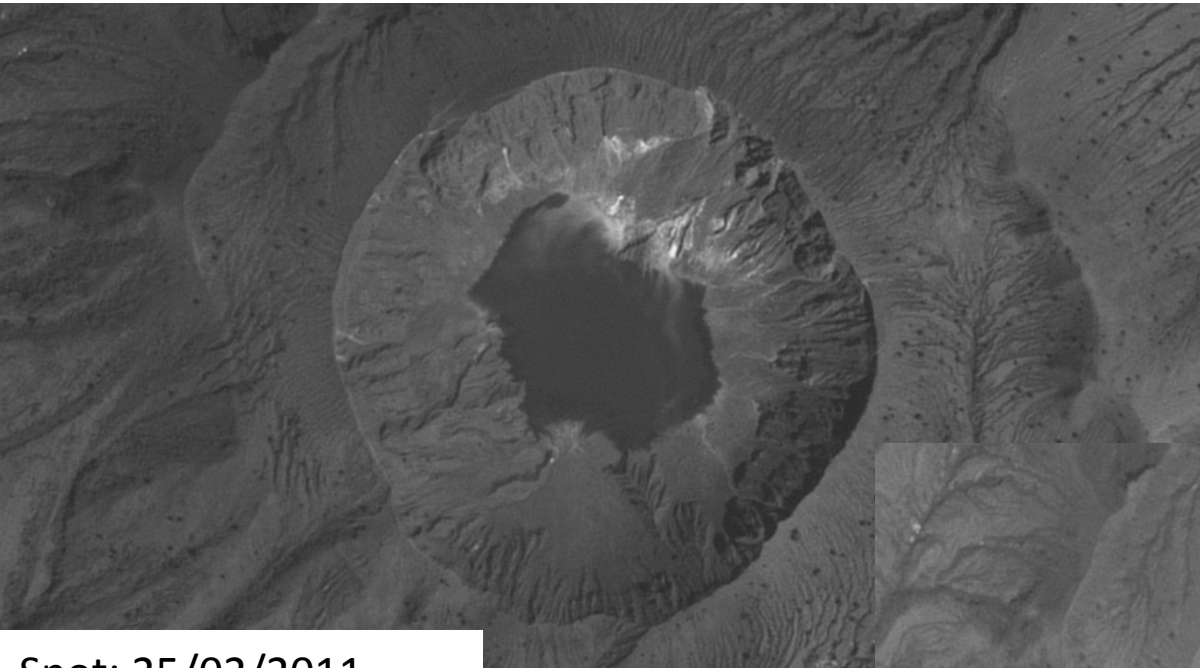
Concept of ASTER G-DEM development



Images spatial resolution : 15 m

DEM with 30 m spatial resolution, you can download it for free

Stereogrammetry (SPOT 2.5m)

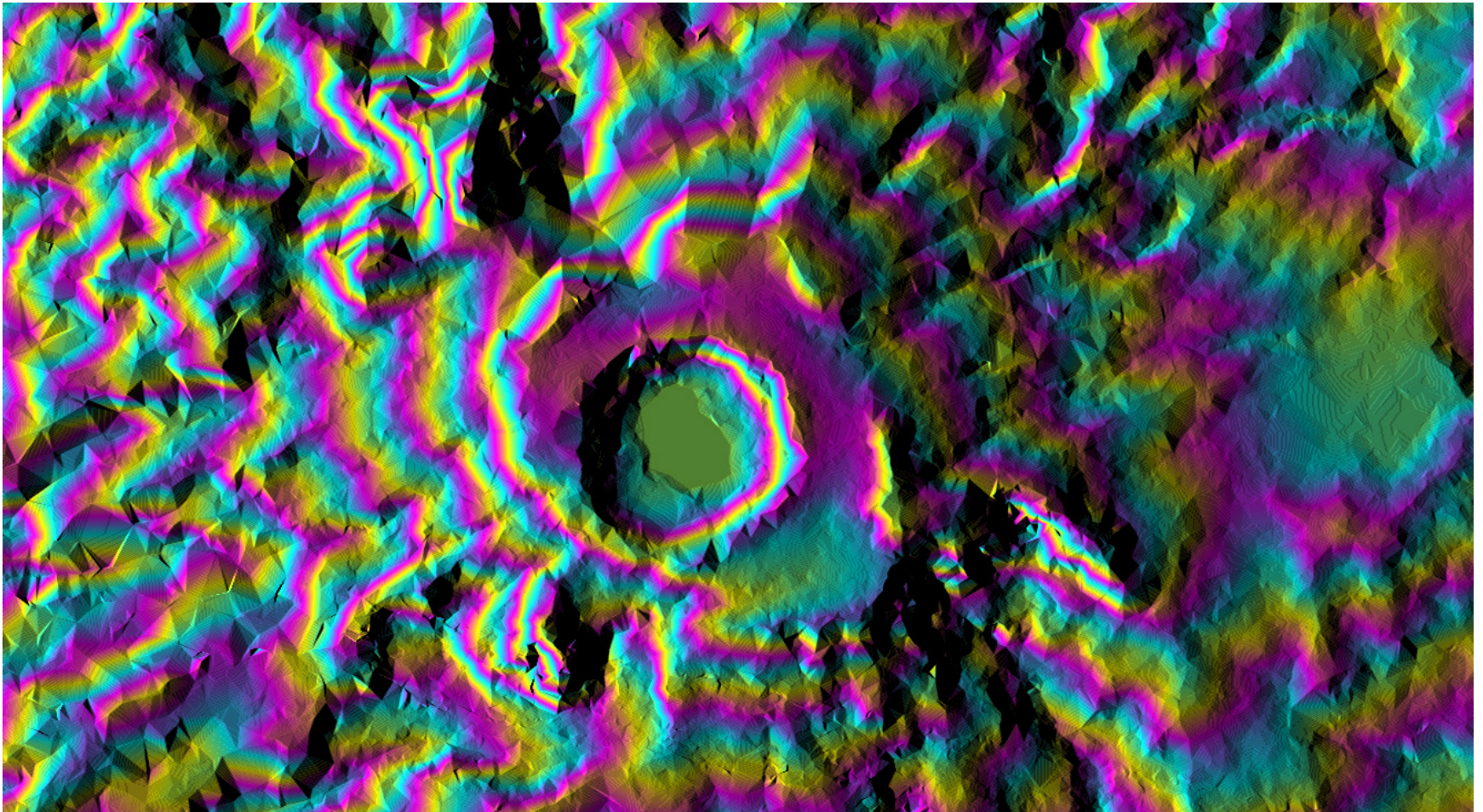


Spot: 6/03/2008
Incidence angle=28.75°



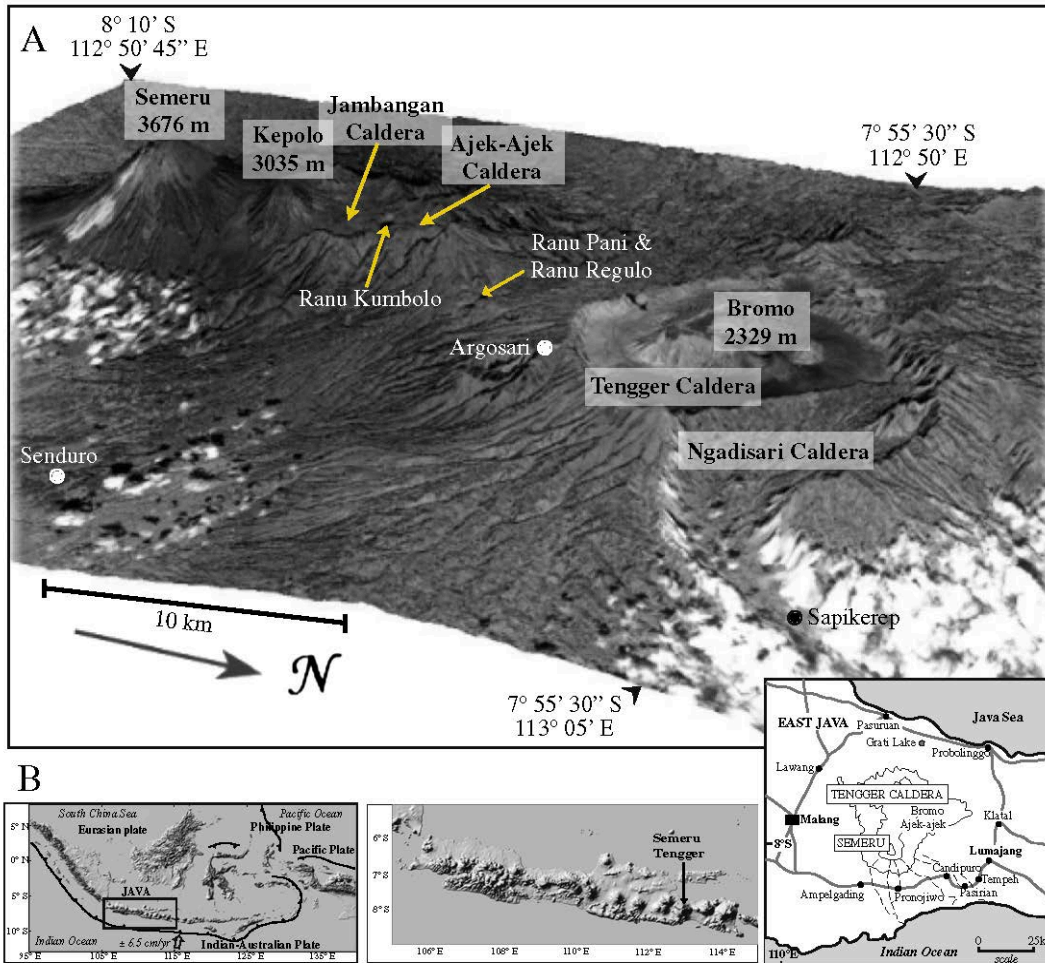
Spot: 25/02/2011
Incidence angle= 1.38°

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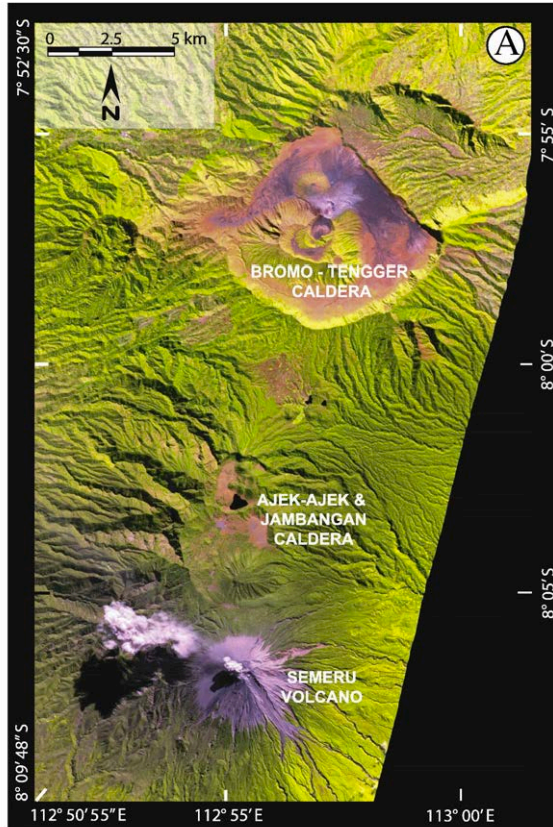
1 fringe is for 100 m

Structural analysis of Semeru

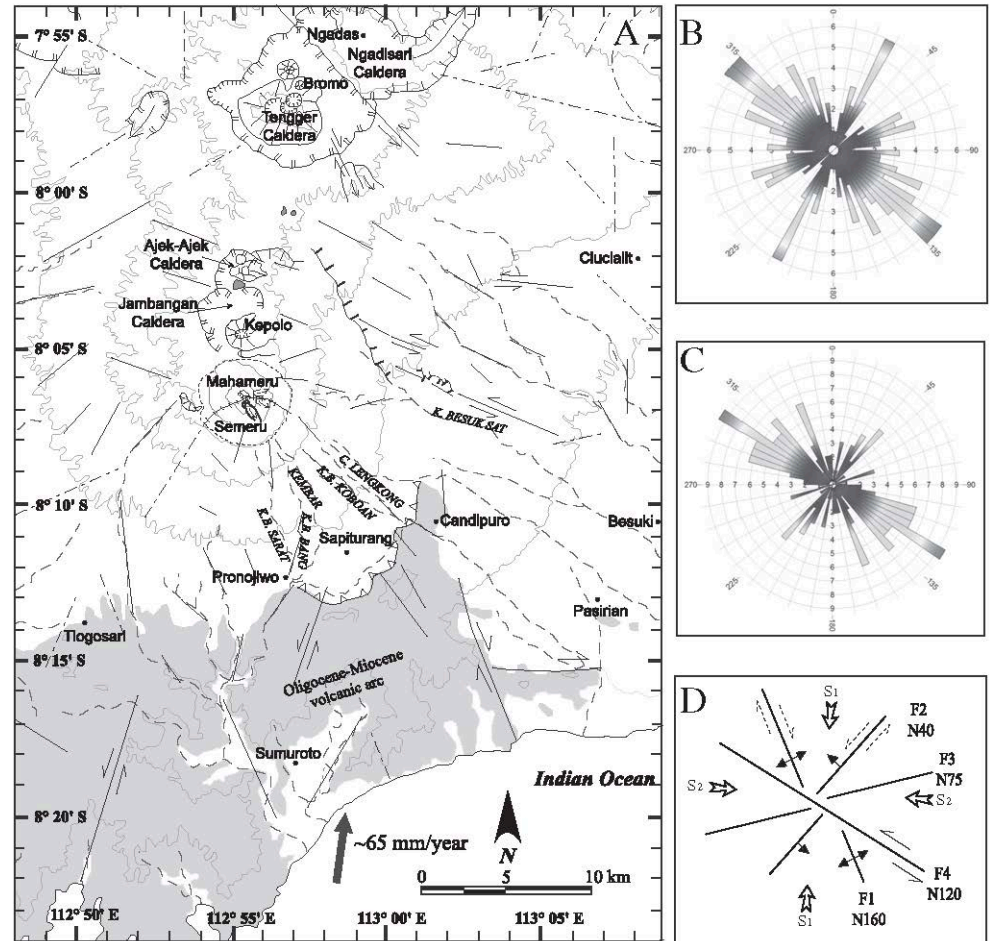


The 11/08/2003 SPOT5 image, looking SW and draped on the SRTM DEM

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Spot 5 (2.5m)



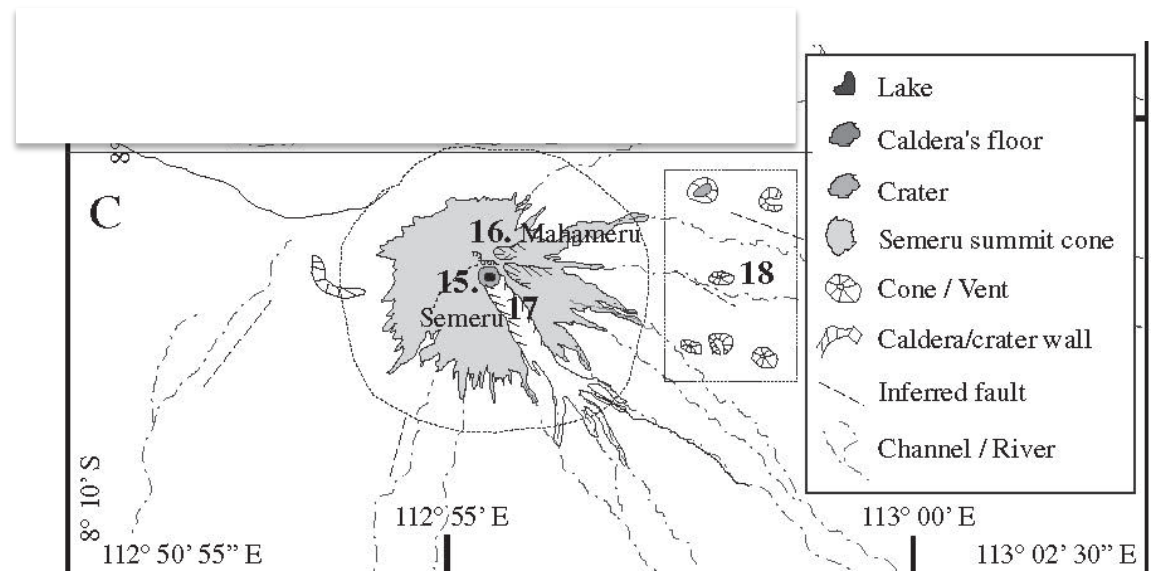
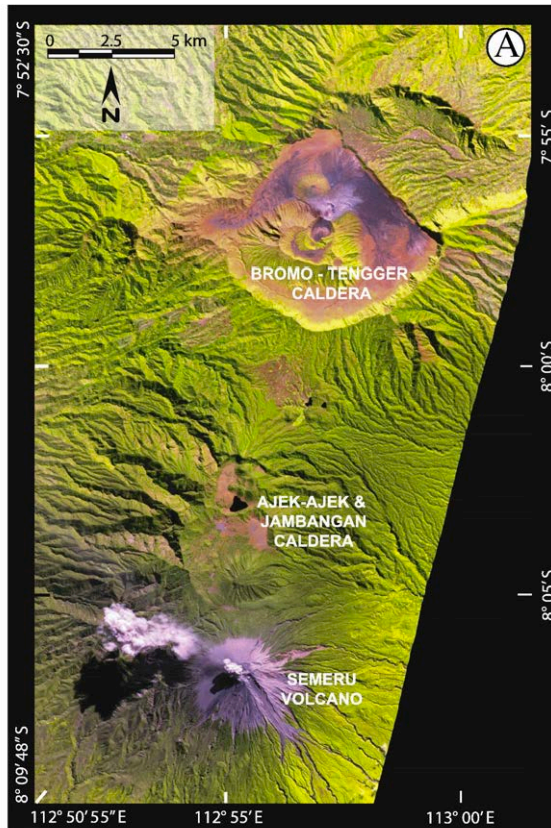
Geological and tectonic structures

- Strike-slip faults
- Reverse faults
- Normal faults
- Inferred faults (unknown kinematic)
- Lincaments
- Direction of convergence at Trench

Volcanic edifice structures and geomorphic features

- Crater
- Caldera rim
- Active scar and vent (Jonggring-Seloko)
- Structural boundary between 'old' and 'young' Semeru
- Scar of landslide
- Amphitheater valley
- River
- Lake
- Elevation contour

Deposits study



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From Solikhin et al, 2012

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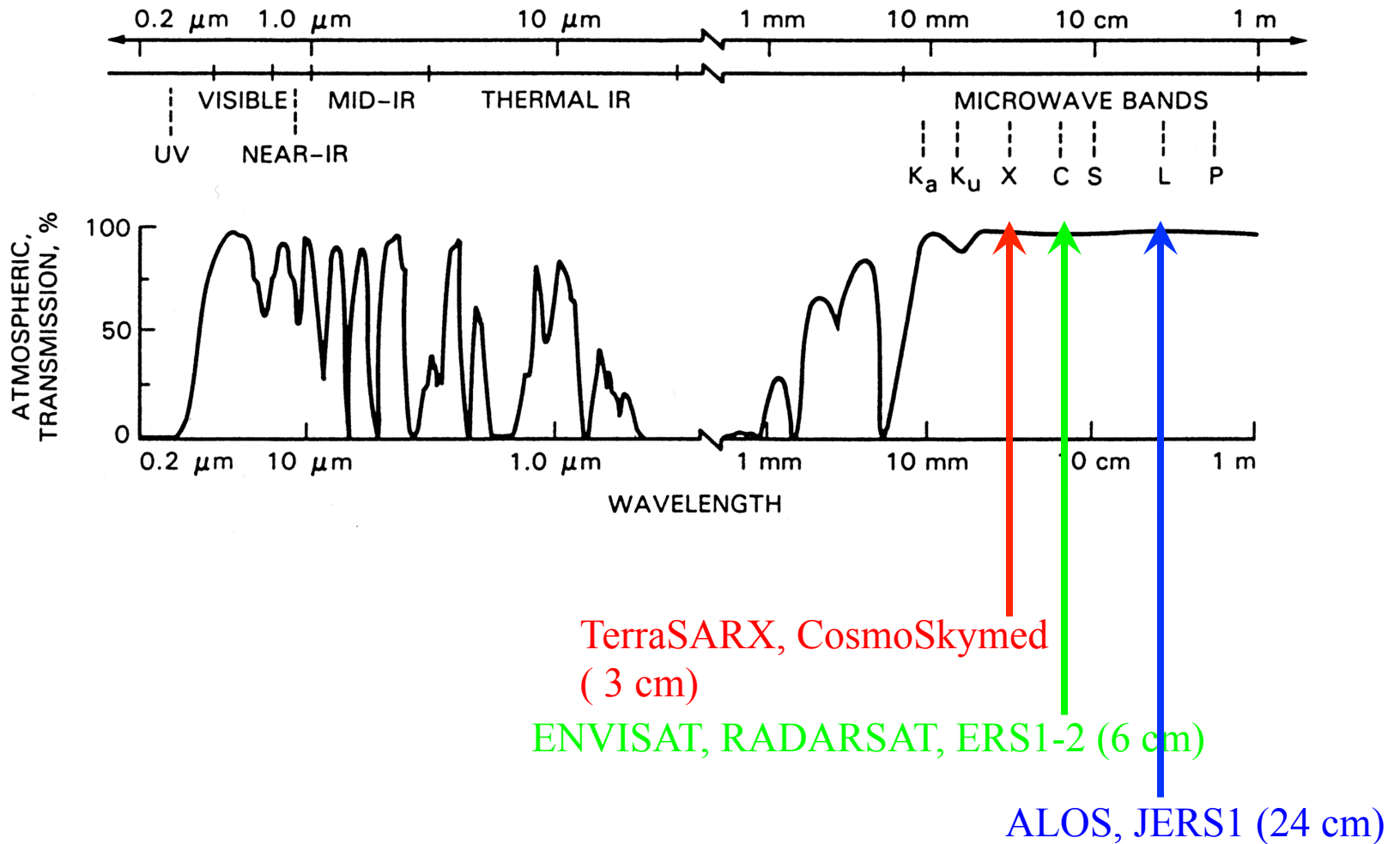
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Wavelength used by SAR imagery

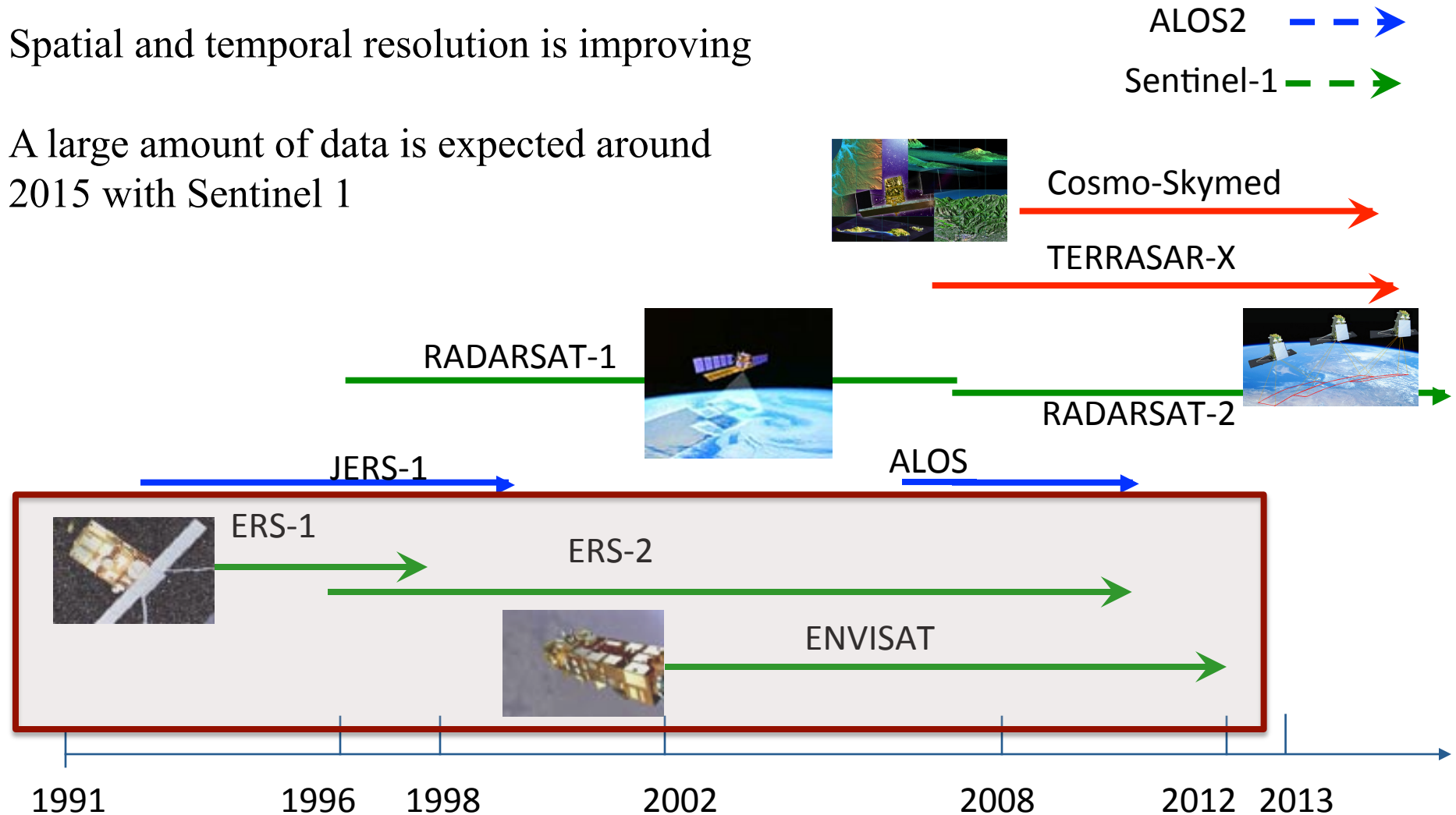


Satellites

- C Band
- L Band
- X Band

Spatial and temporal resolution is improving

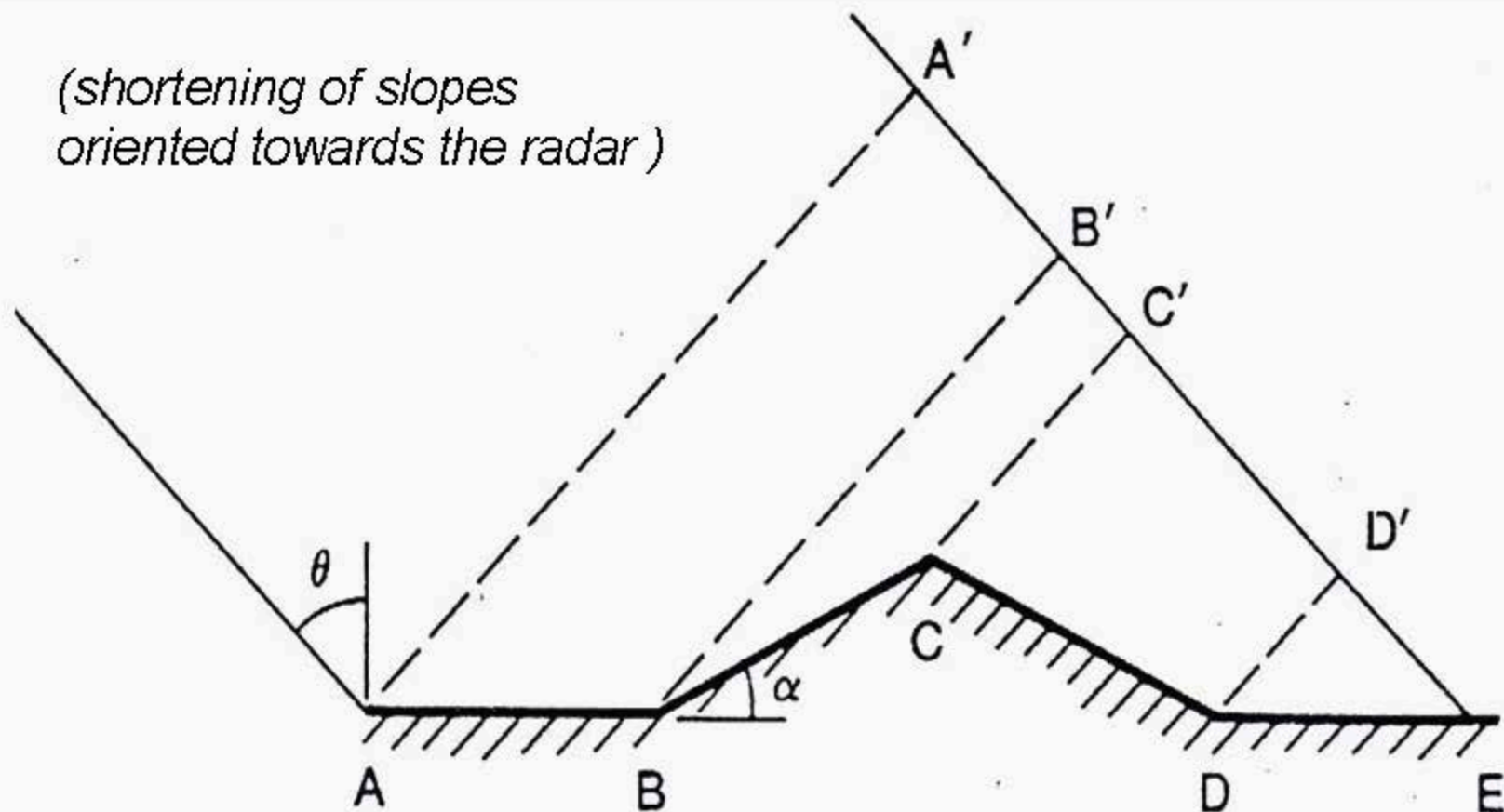
A large amount of data is expected around 2015 with Sentinel 1



SAR geometry

- Foreshortening

(shortening of slopes oriented towards the radar)



$$A'B' = AB \sin \theta, B'C' = BC \sin (\theta - \alpha), C'D' = CD \sin (\theta + \alpha)$$

InSAR provides maps of surface displacement in Line of Sight

2 acquisitions radar: \rightarrow Master Image (M)
 \searrow Slave Image (S)

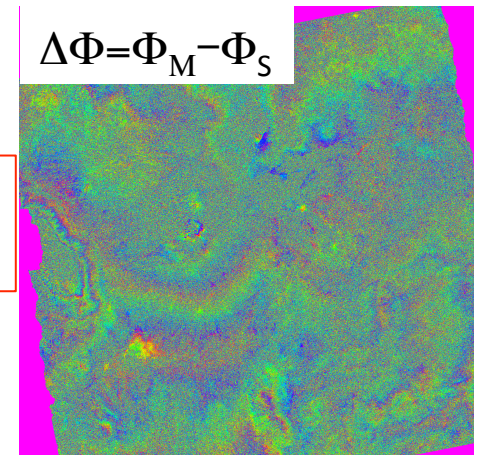
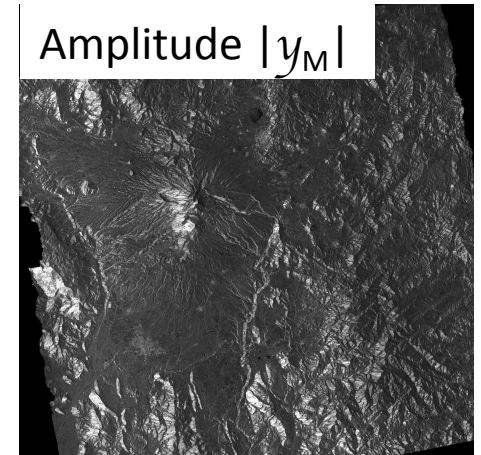
Couple of images characterized by: B_{\perp} , ΔT

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1 fringe corresponds to a displacement of $\lambda/2$ in the Line of Sight
Precision around 1 cm

Exemple ENVISAT images on Colima volcano



InSAR can also be used to produce DEM

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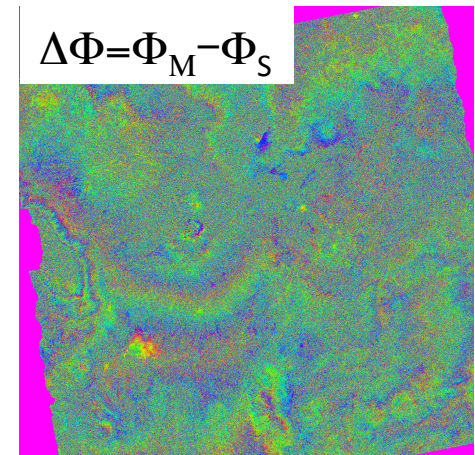
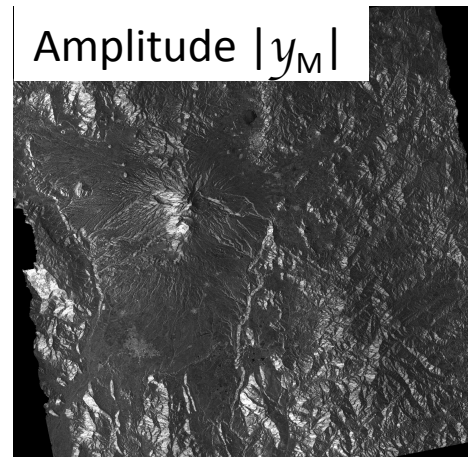
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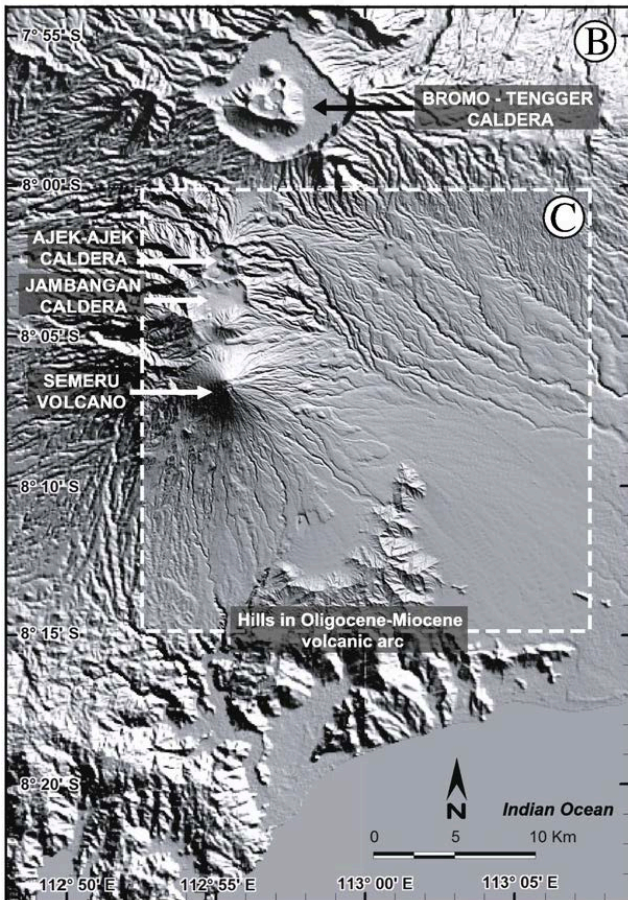
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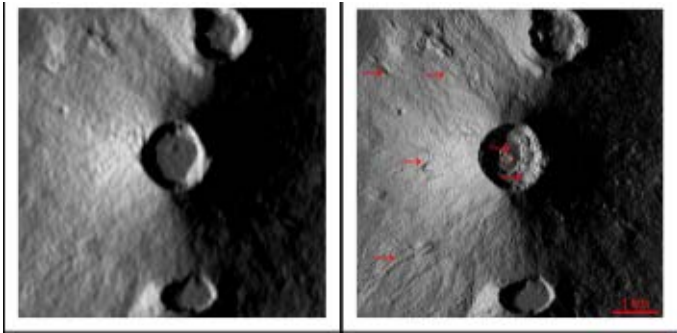
SRTM DEM



Resolution : 90m
Precision: 10 m

Produced in 2000
Can be downloaded for free

Tandem-X



SRTM

Tandem-X

Comparison of available DEM

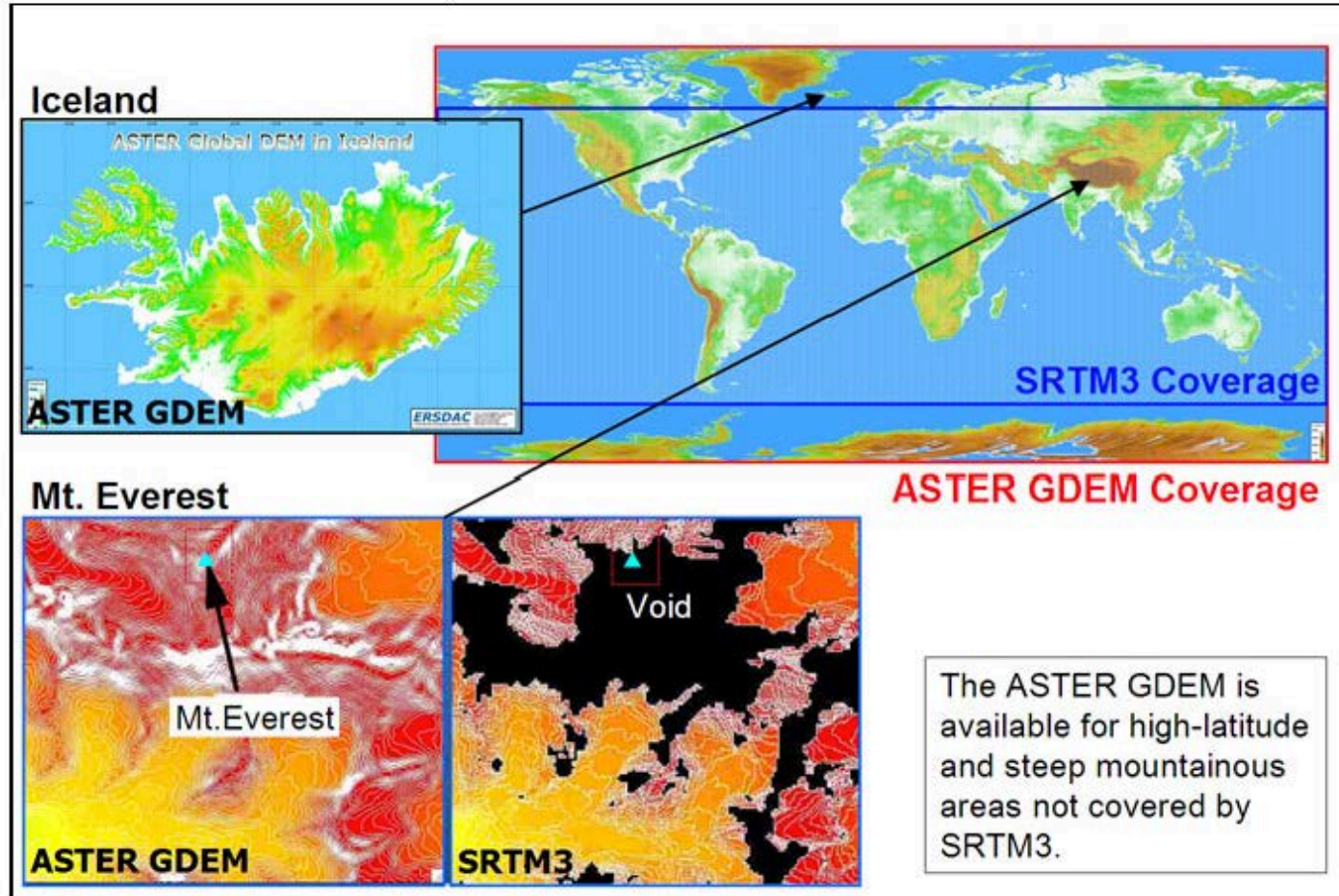
	ASTER GDEM	SRTM3*	GTOPO30**	10 m mesh digital elevation data
Data source	ASTER	Space shuttle radar	From organizations around the world that have DEM data	1:25,000 topographic map
Generation and distribution	METI/NASA	NASA/USGS	USGS	GSI
Release year	2009 ~	2003 ~	1996 ~	2008~
Data acquisition period	2000 ~ ongoing	11 days (in 2000)		
Posting interval	30m	90m	1000m	about 10m
DEM accuracy (stdev.)	7~14m	10m	30m	5m
DEM coverage	83 degrees north ~ 83 degrees south	60 degrees north ~ 56 degrees south	Global	Japan only

Limitations: Clouds

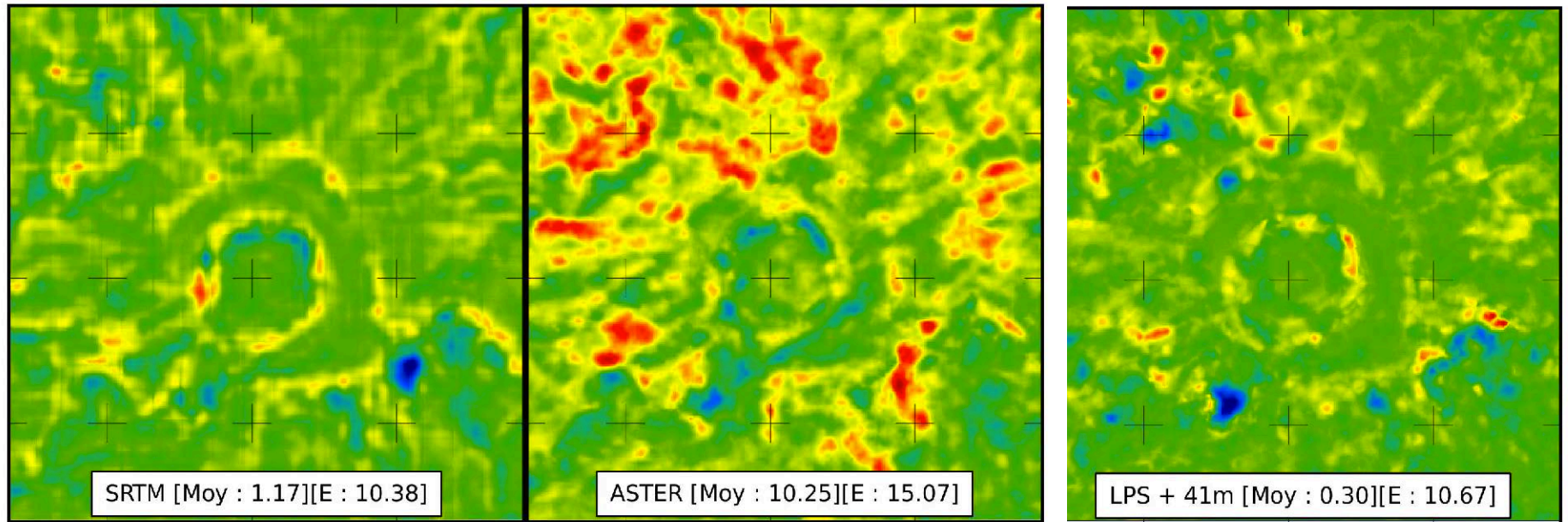
Steep slopes

Comparison of available DEM

Comparison between ASTER GDEM and SRTM3



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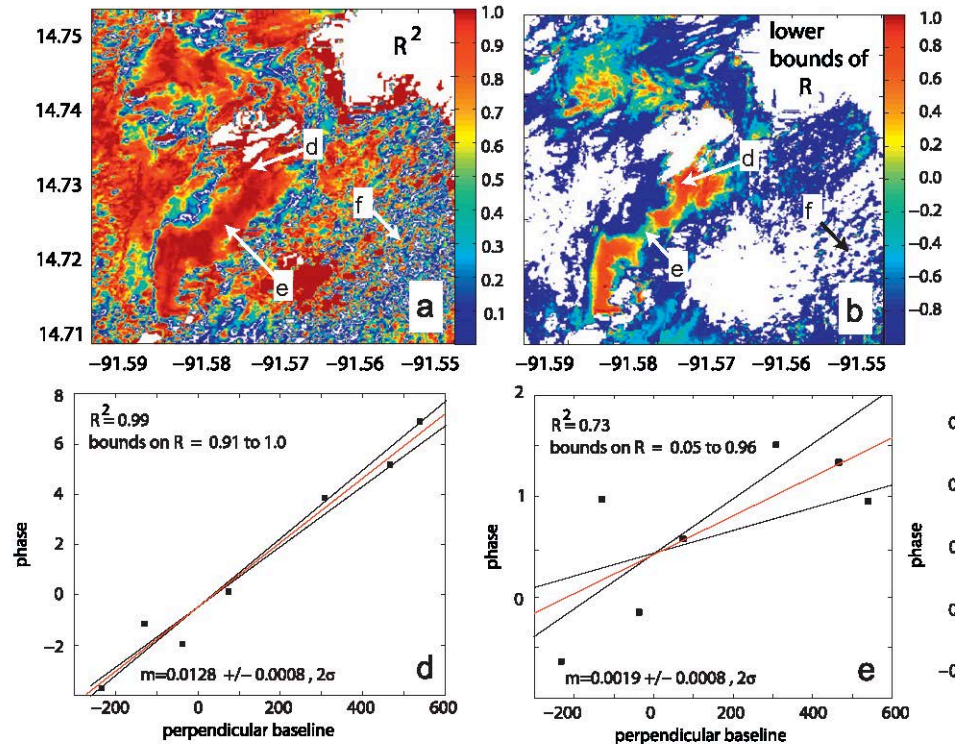
Difference to the DEM provided by SPOT (resolution 20m)

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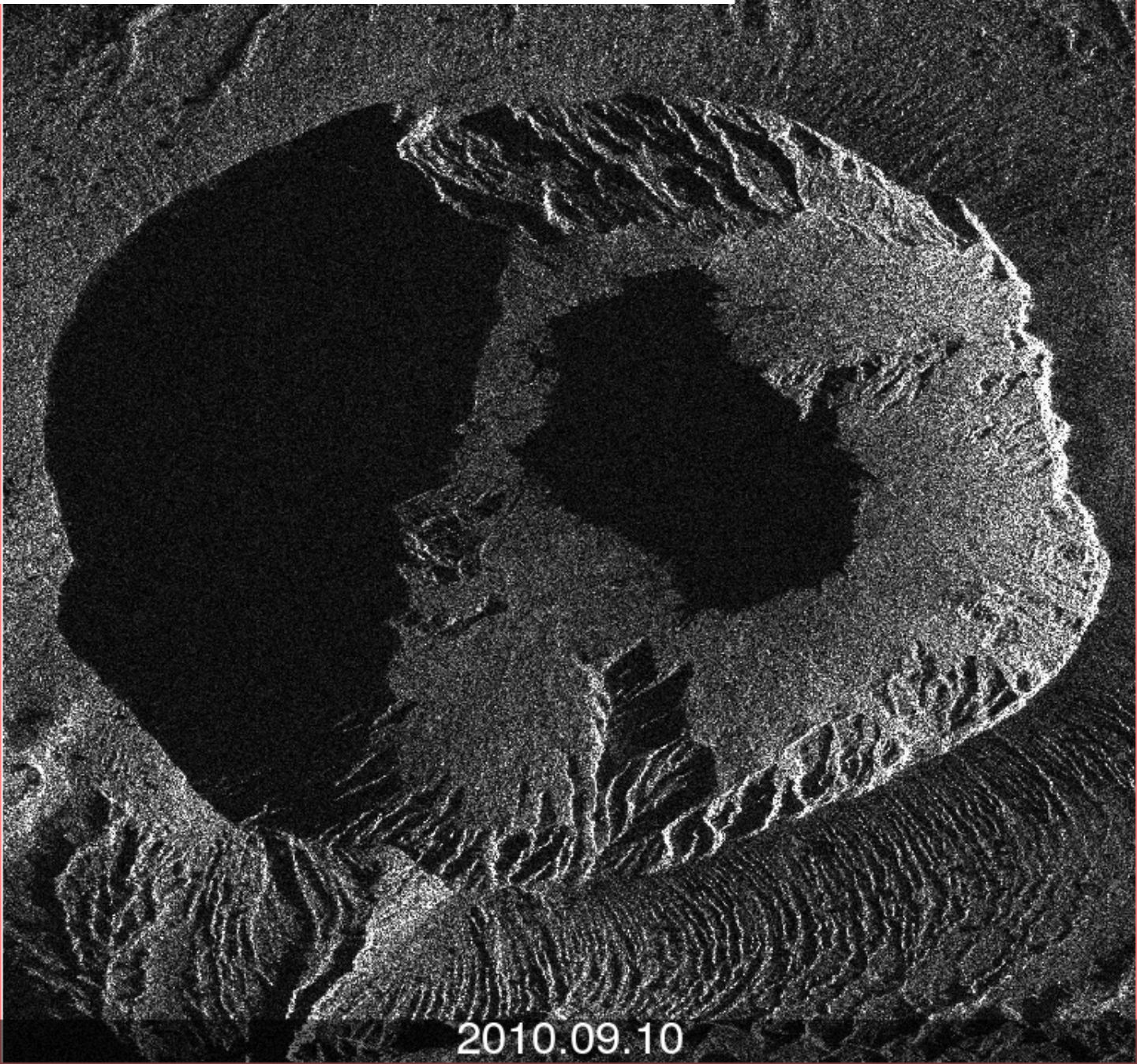
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Estimation of DEM variation with a precision around 9 m (5 images with large perpendicular baselines)
 From Ebmeier et al, 2012



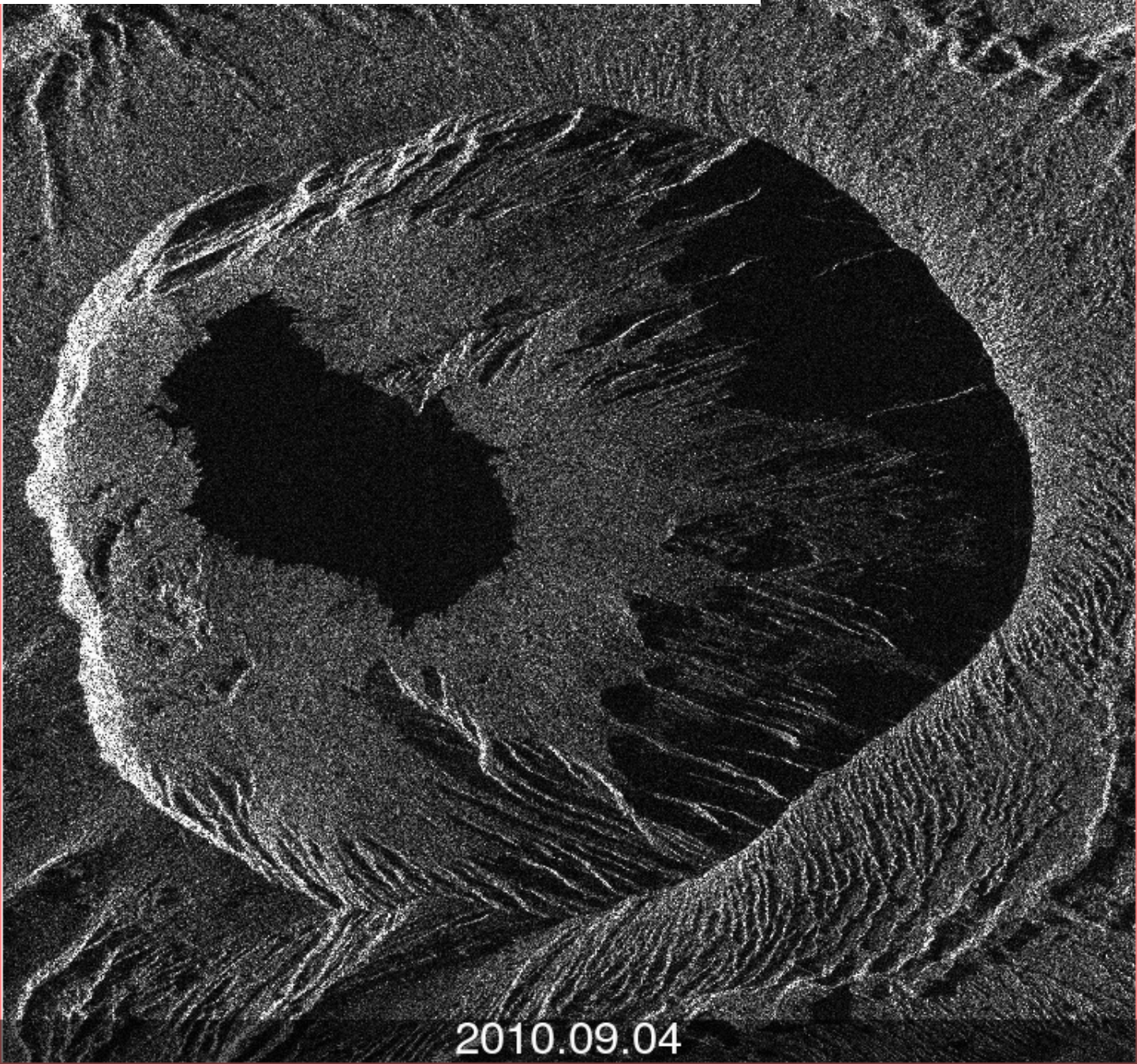
Amplitude images are useful for monitoring
(all images can be used)

El chichon crater- CSK- Ascending track



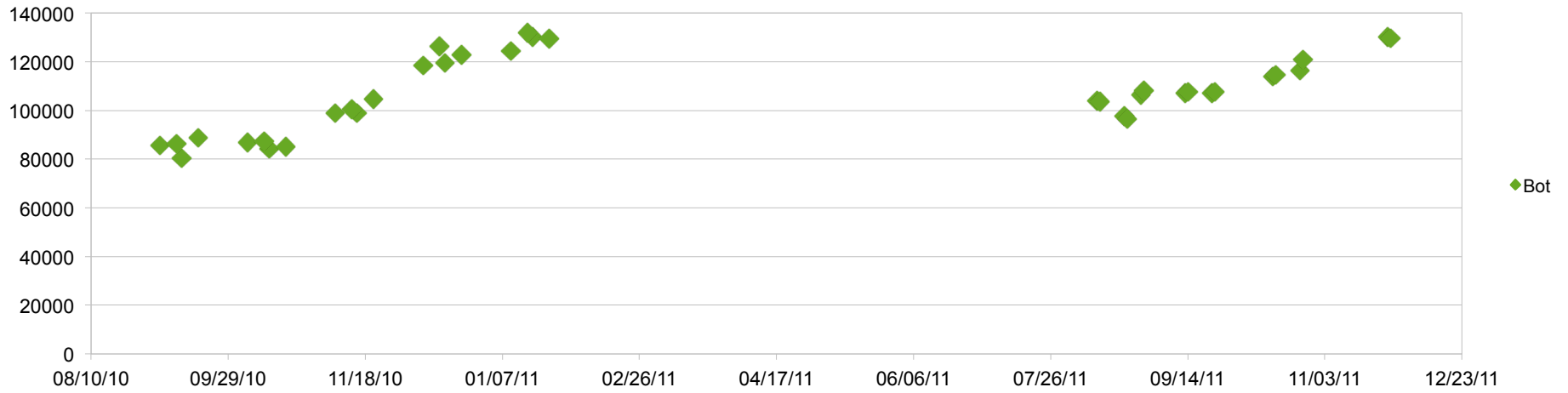
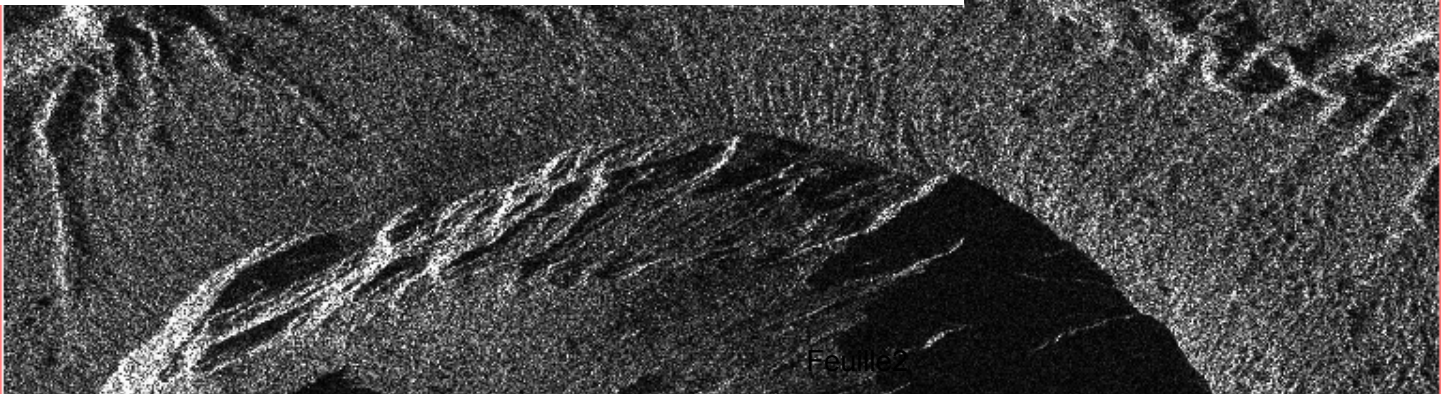
2010.09.10

El chichon crater- CSK- Descending track



2010.09.04

El chichon crater- CSK- Descending track

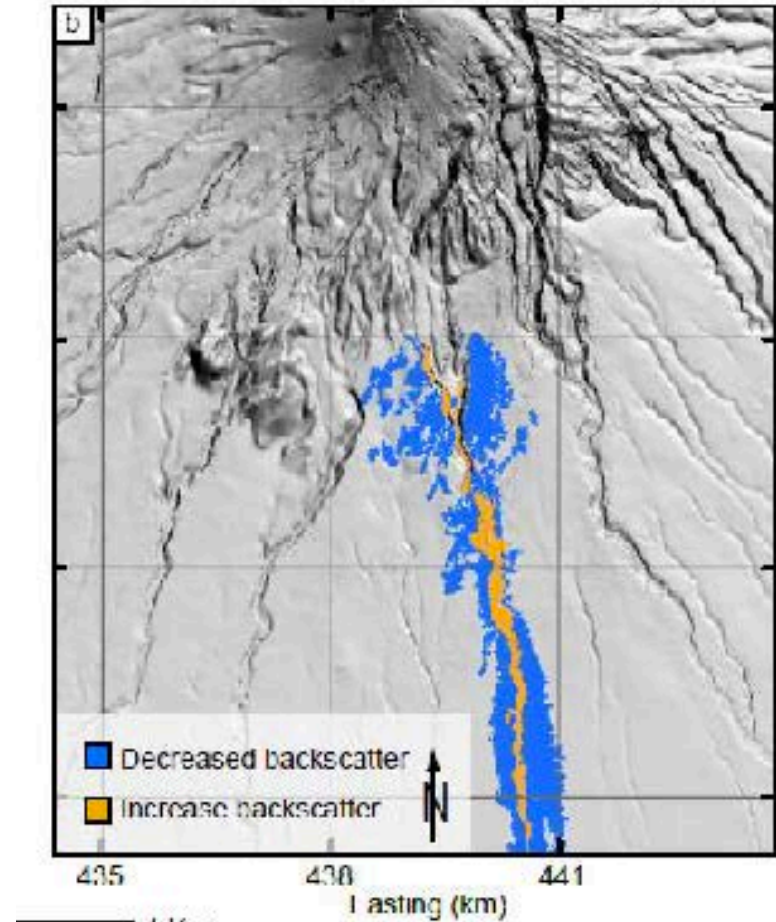
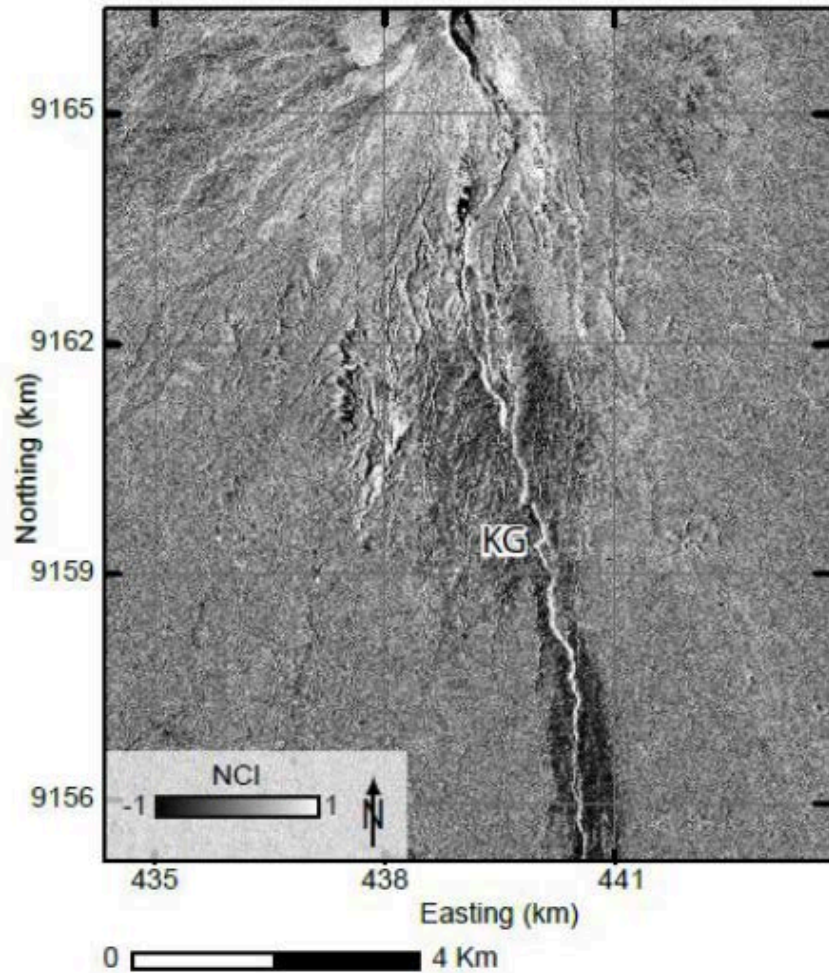


Merapi volcano, TerraSAR-X image acquired on 4th November 2010



Merapi volcano, CosmoSkymed images

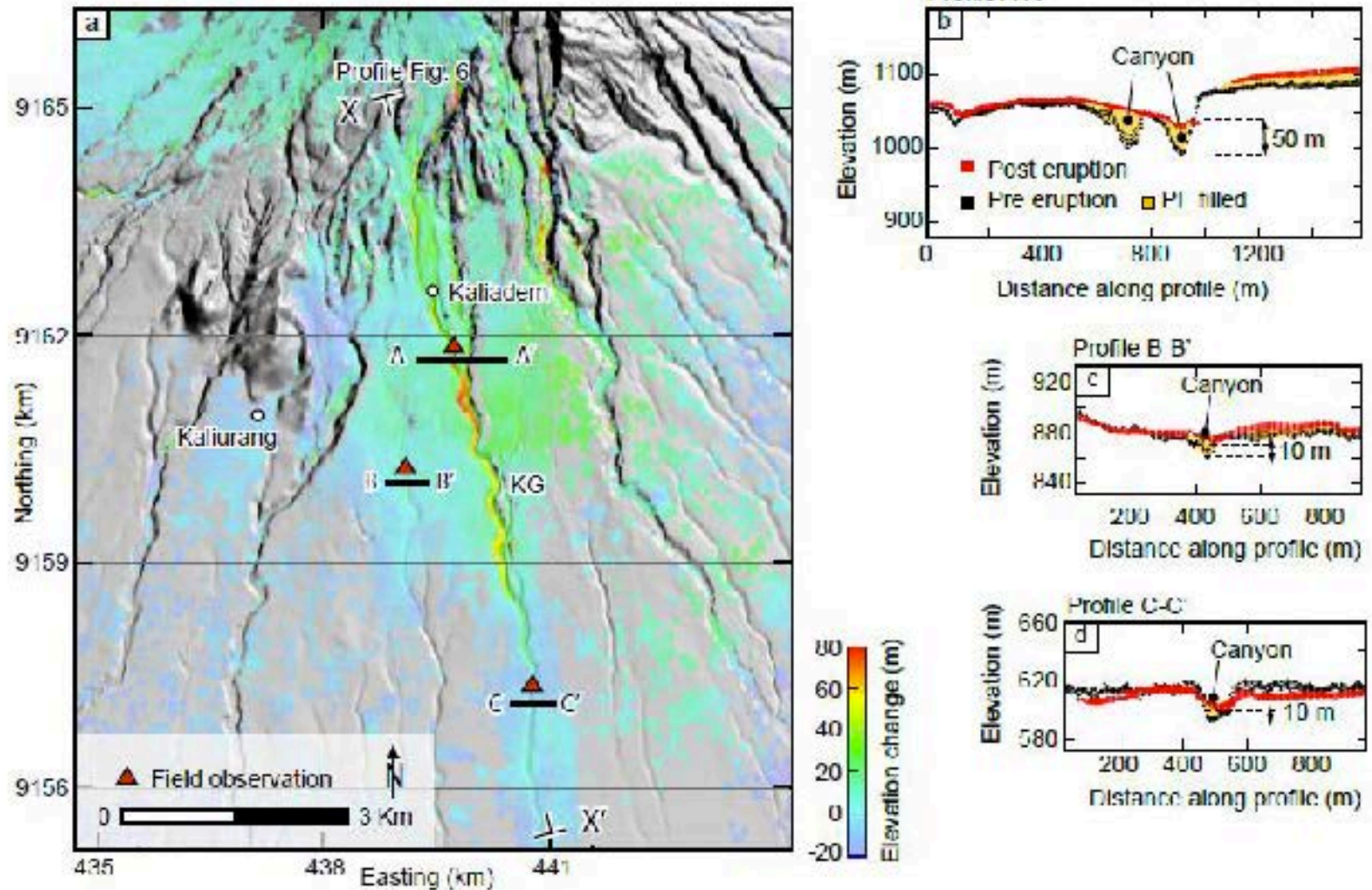
Use of amplitude to detect changes



From Bignami et al, 2013

Merapi volcano, CosmoSkymed images

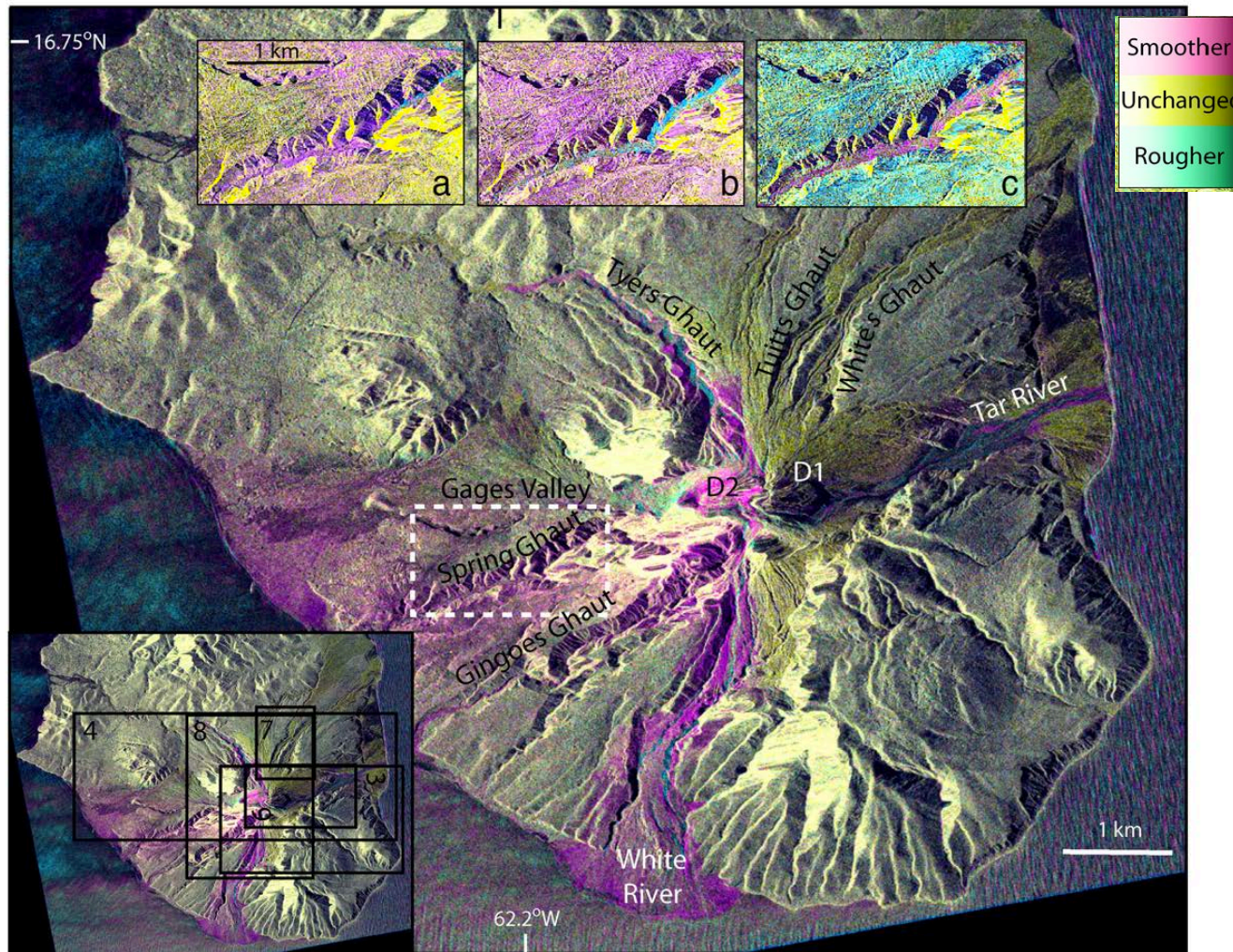
Use of interferometry to quantify elevation change



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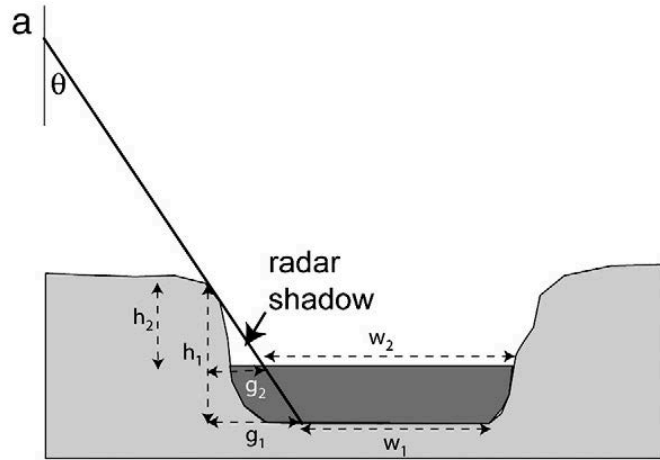
Montserrat volcano, TerraSAR-X images

Use of amplitude to detect change

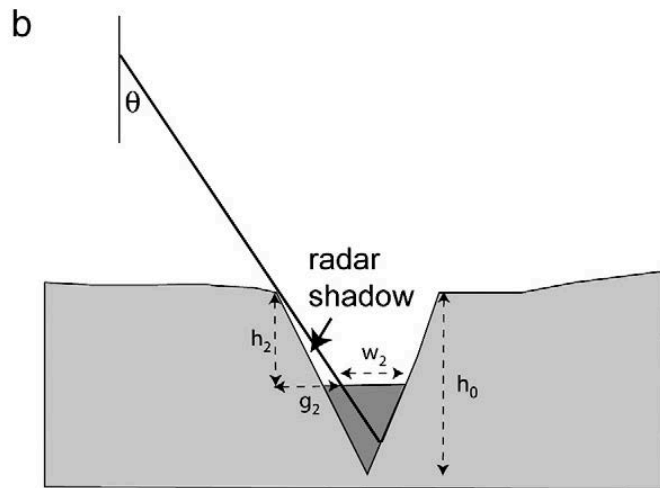


Montserrat volcano, TerraSAR-X images

Use of shadow extension to detect deposit thickness



$$\text{Area}_{\text{trap}} \approx 0.5(h_1 - h_2) \cdot (w_1 + w_2)$$



$$\text{Area}_{\text{triang}} \approx 0.5(h_0 - h_2) \cdot w_2$$

Conclusion:

Remote sensing can be useful to:

- Detect long term (deformation and gas) and short terms precursors (gas)
- Detect eruptions
- Assess hazards during eruptions
- Follow edifice destructions, deposits emplacements

Two main advantages: -global monitoring
-cannot be destroyed by the eruption

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