

Measurement Services to Support Compact Hyperspectral Imagers

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Simon Kaplan

- Infrared Calibration Transfer Standards for Flood and Collimated Sources

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- Testing Radiance Calibration Methodology using a High Accuracy Blackbody Source and an Absolute Cryogenic Radiometer

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- *NIST overview*
- *Compact Imaging Spectrometers (CIS)*
- *Basic Calibration and Standards*
- *Scene Characterization (MOI)*
- *Scene Generation*
- *Calibration Service*

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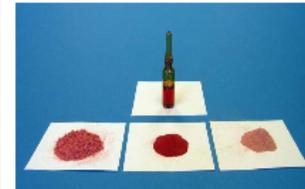
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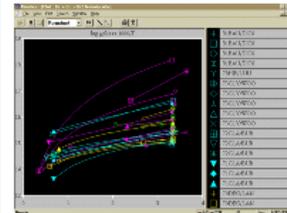
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- I need an artifact to measure in my lab.
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- I have a question about metrologic traceability.
- I have a question about laboratory accreditation.
- I am looking for a NIST publication.

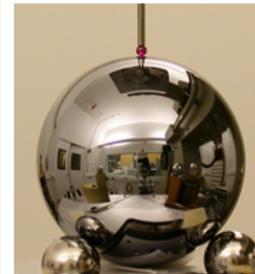
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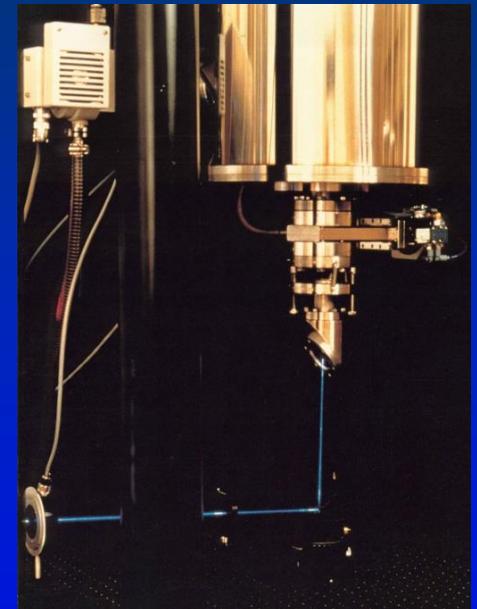
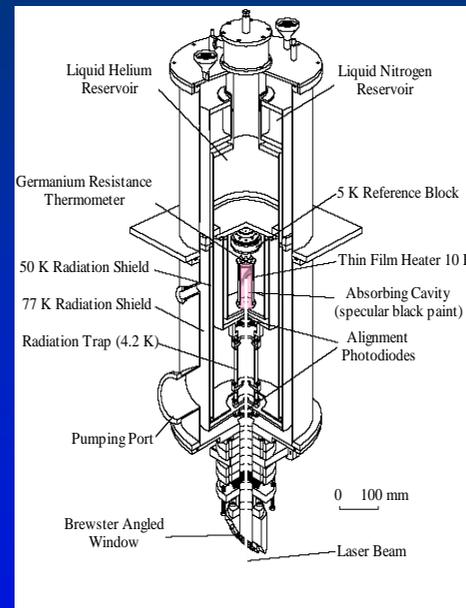
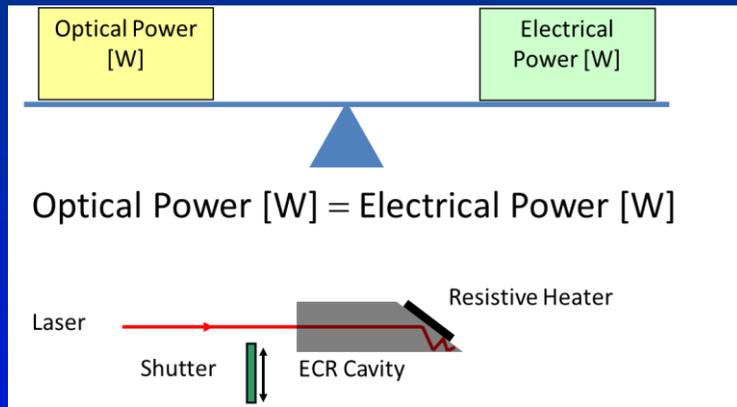
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Calibration report: Description of test method, results, uncertainties, SI traceability

NIST Primary Optical Watt Radiometer

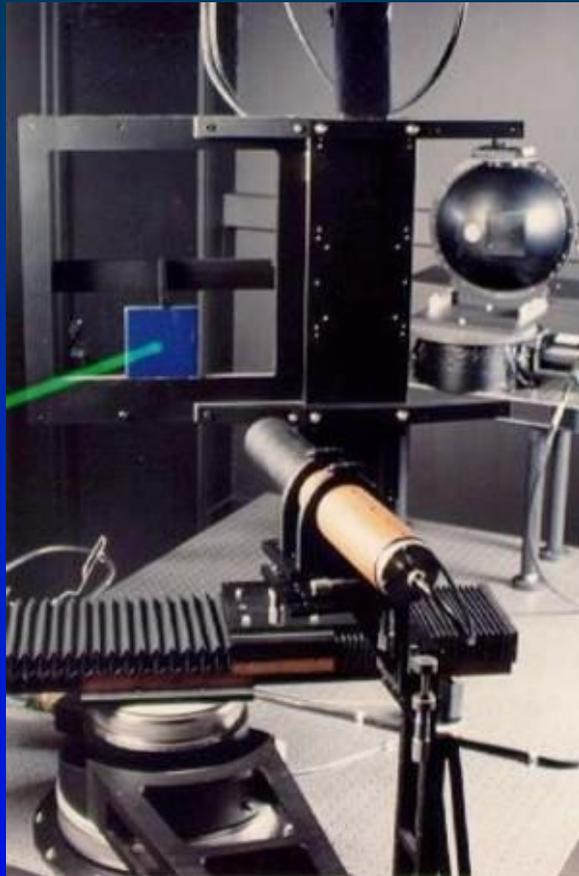
POWR is the U.S. primary standard for optical power

Cryogenic temperatures allow lower degree of non-equivalence:



NIST Standards for Remote Sensing

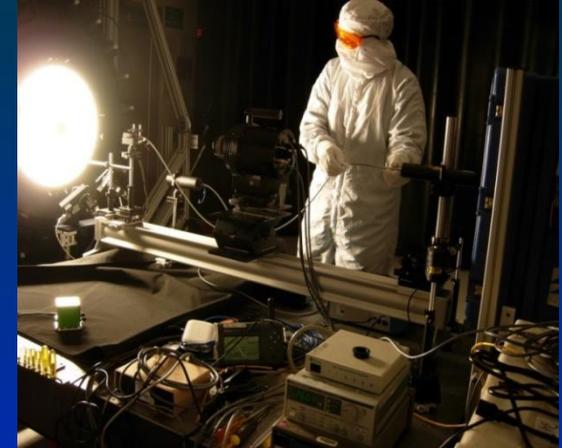
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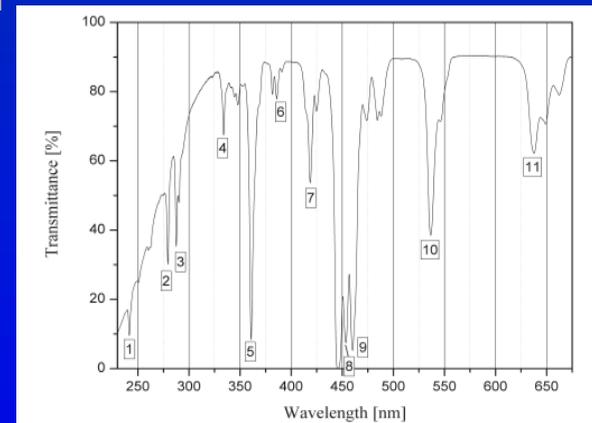
Reference Materials



Radiance



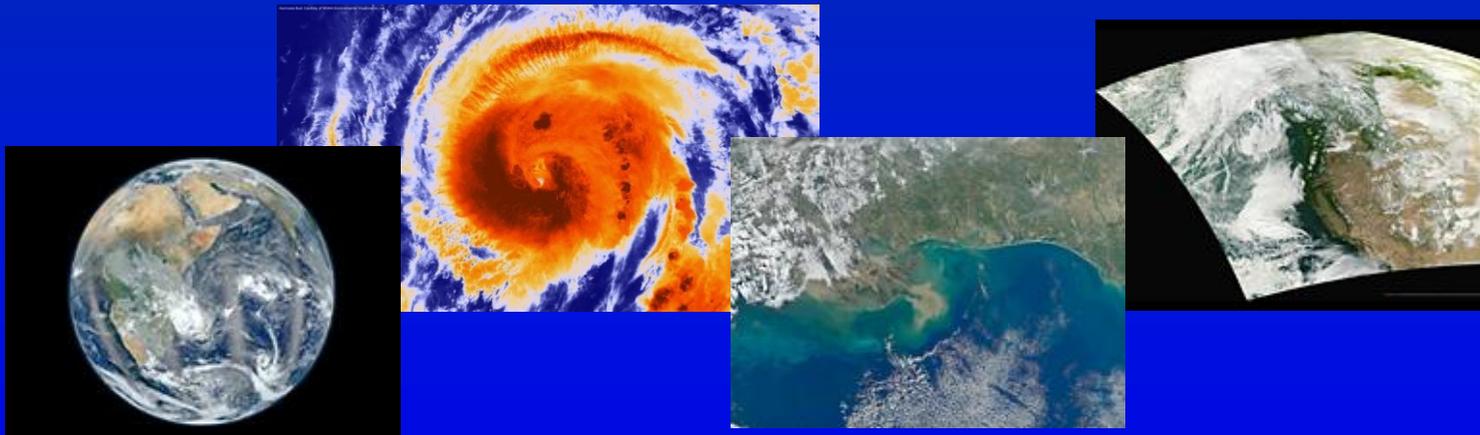
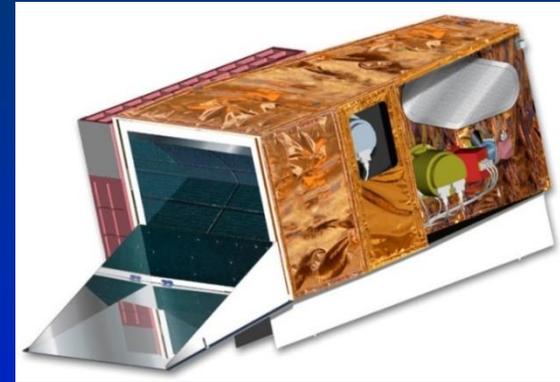
Wavelength



Example: VIIRS Sensor (Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite)

- Ocean color (Carbon/Biomass-related)
- Sea surface temperature
- Aerosol characteristics
- Vegetation (Carbon/Biomass-related)
- Land and Ice temperature
- Fire detection and monitoring

Also;
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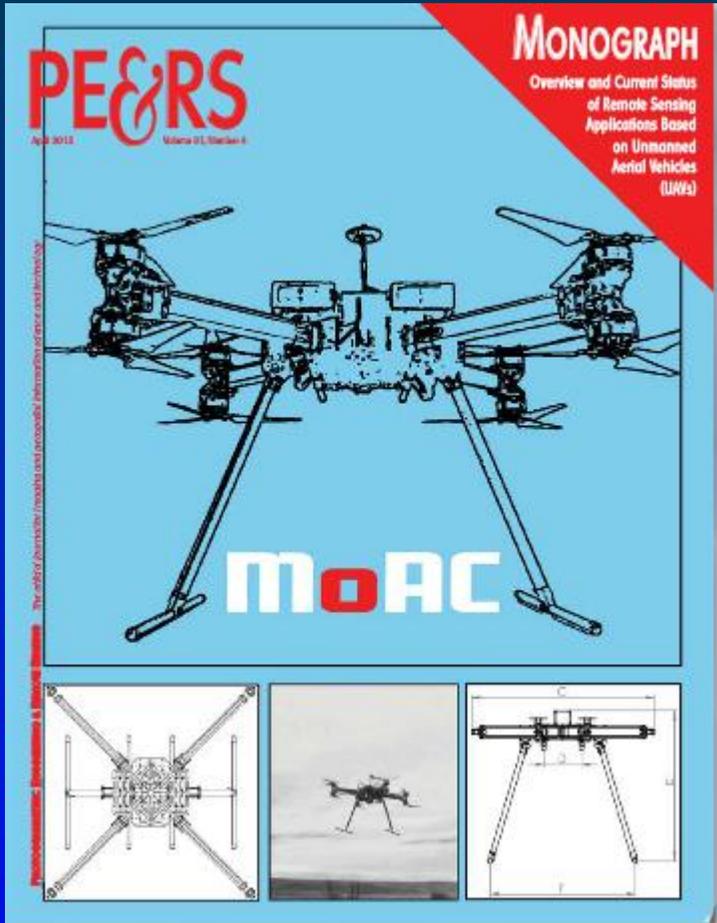
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Weather

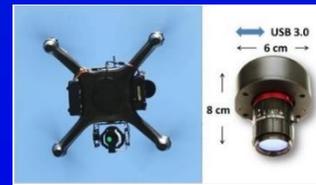
Ocean Color

Clouds

Compact Imaging Spectrometers

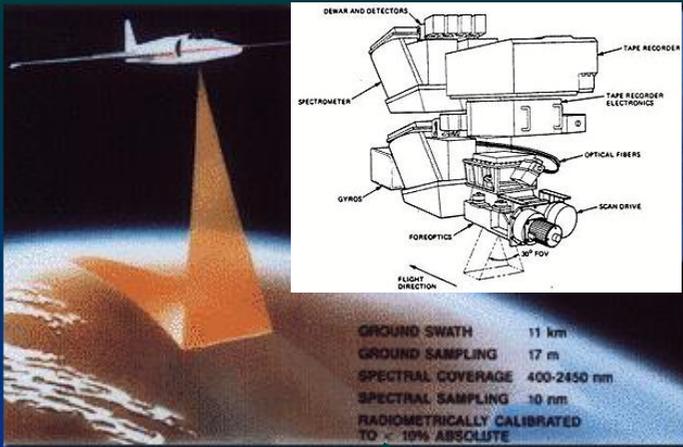


- Market is driving the development of new compact imaging spectrometers (e.g., UAS and CubeSat)
- Naturally, may not match the performance of current airborne / spaceborne sensors (e.g. AVIRIS, VIIRS, Landsat 8,)
- Balance SWaP and performance
- But will the performance be a good match for the specific application?

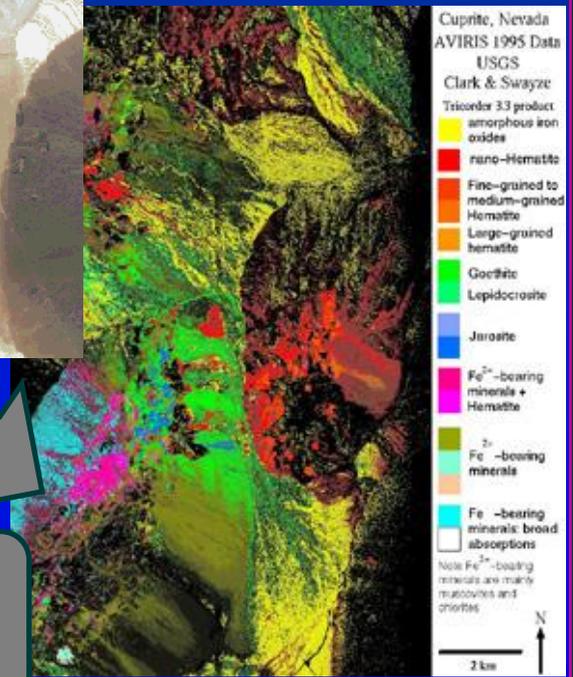
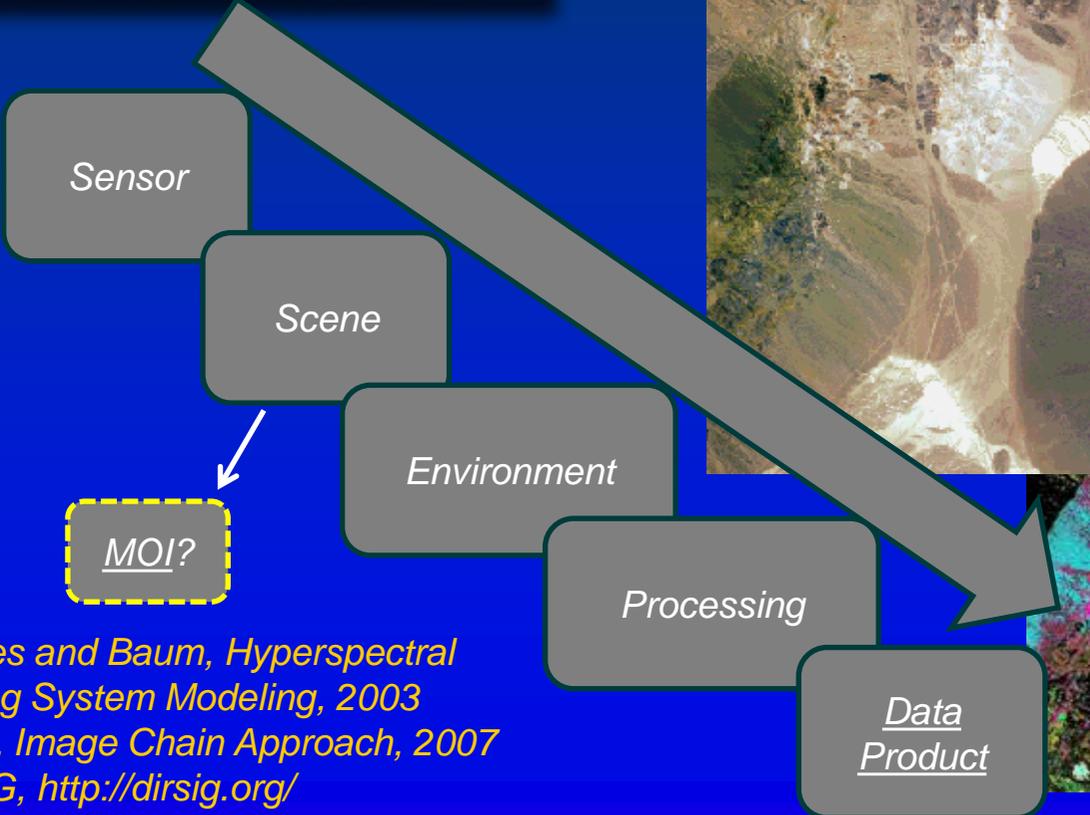


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How is the sensor accuracy (and other components) related to the final Data Product accuracy?



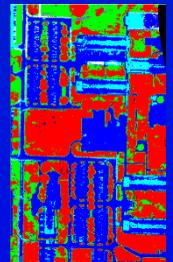
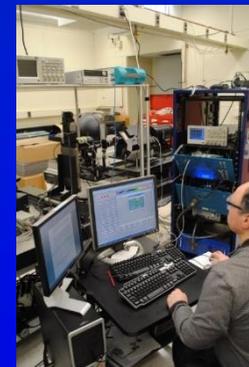
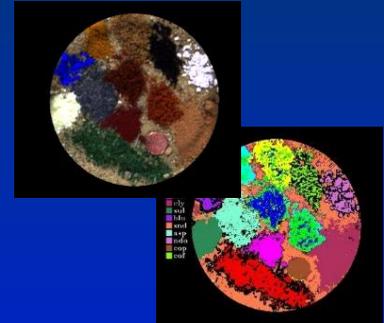
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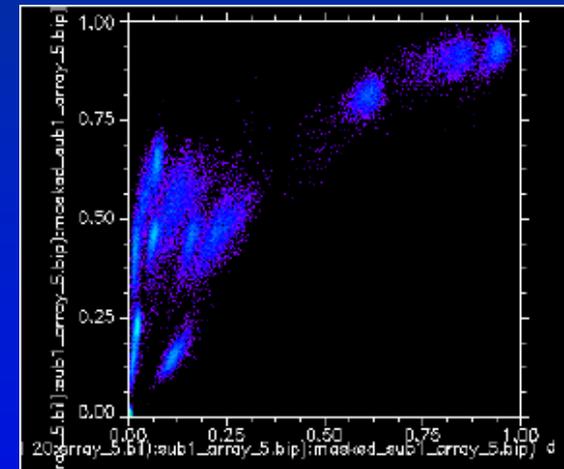
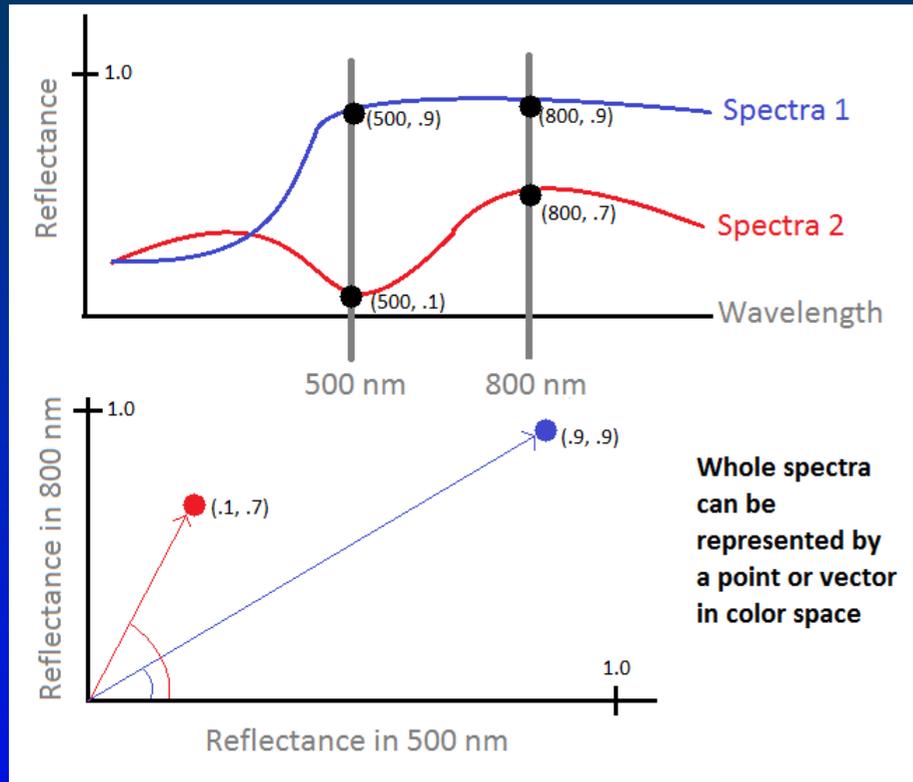
- Kerekes and Baum, *Hyperspectral Imaging System Modeling*, 2003
- Schott, *Image Chain Approach*, 2007
- DIRSIG, <http://dirsig.org/>

3 Parts of CIS Calibration Service

- Basic Radiometric Calibration
- Scene Characterization (MOI)
- Scene Generation

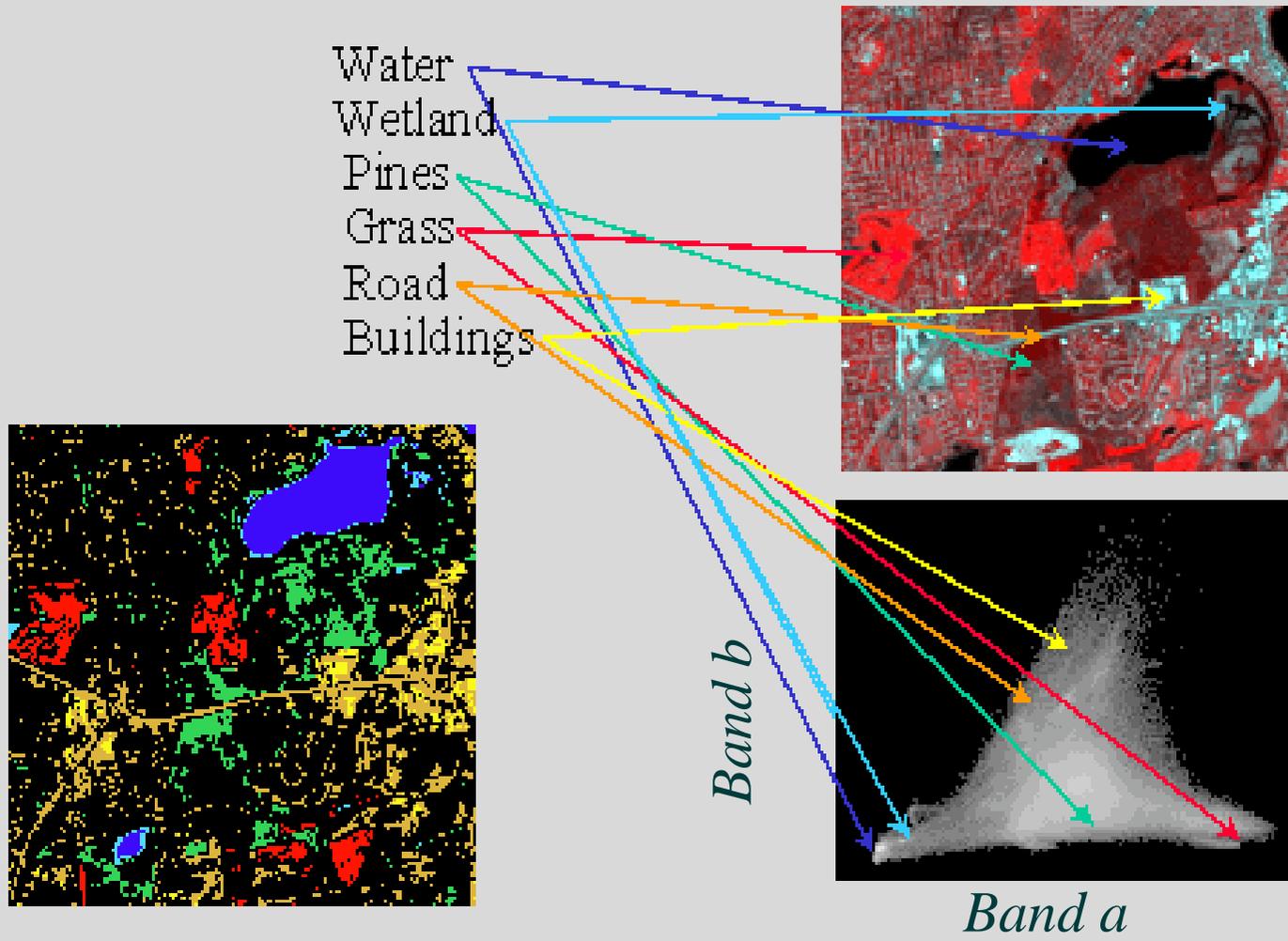


N-dimensional (n-D) Scatter Plot



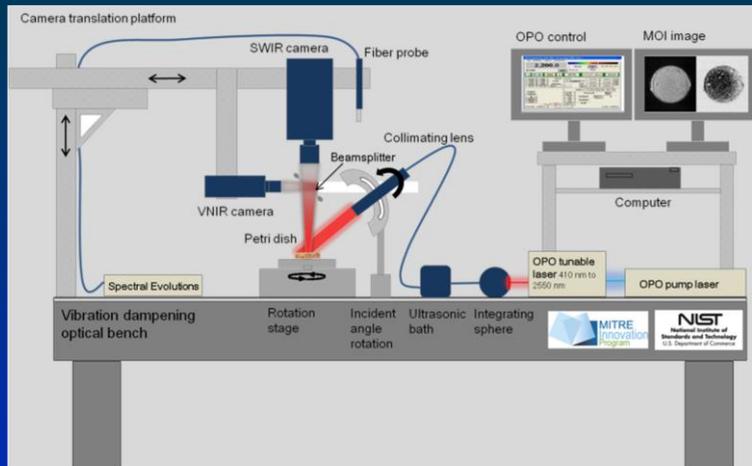
Full image as a 2-D scatter plot

Classification



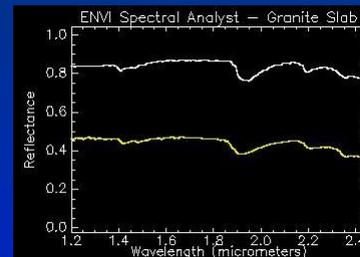
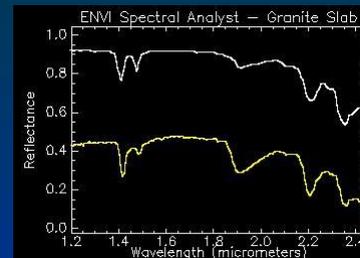
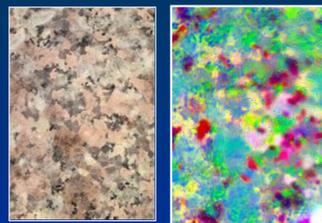
Hyperspectral Microscopy

Tunable Laser Based Hyperspectral Microscopy

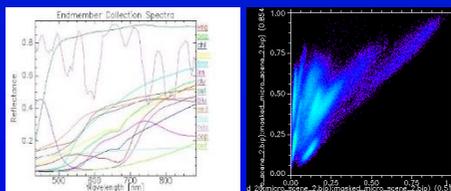
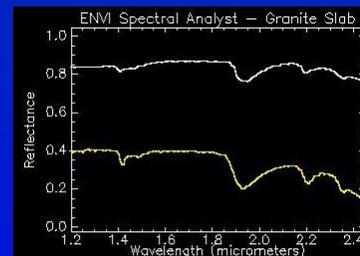
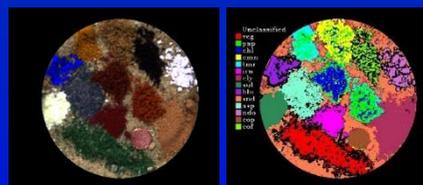


- Laser based hyperspectral microscopy
- 400 nm to 2500 nm by < 1 nm
- Provide 1000's of spectra at the grain level
- Provides compositional information of heterogeneous mixtures
- Outdoor scene can be simulated in the petri dish

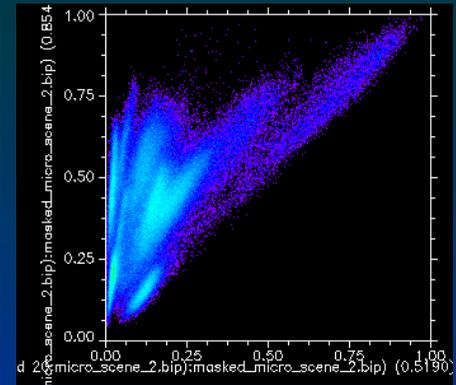
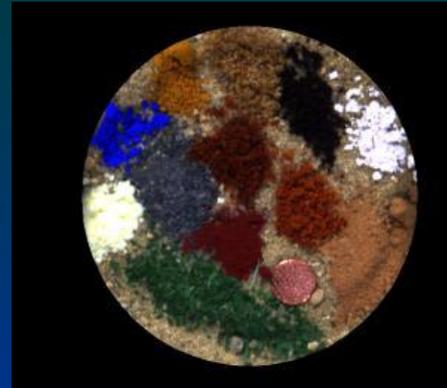
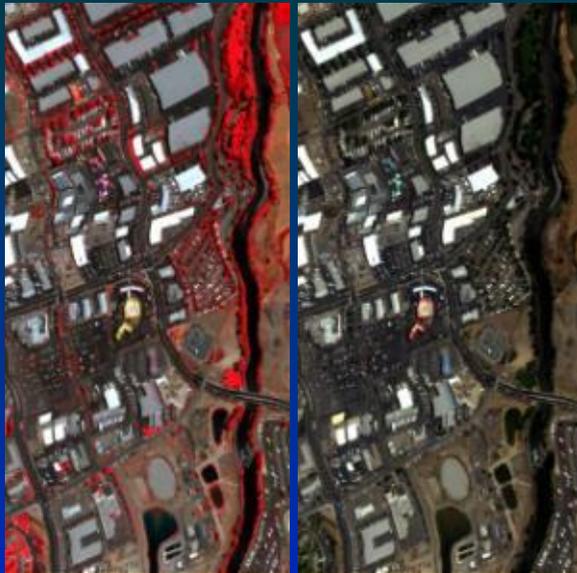
Single Substance Granite slab cm scale



Mixture Petri dish microscene

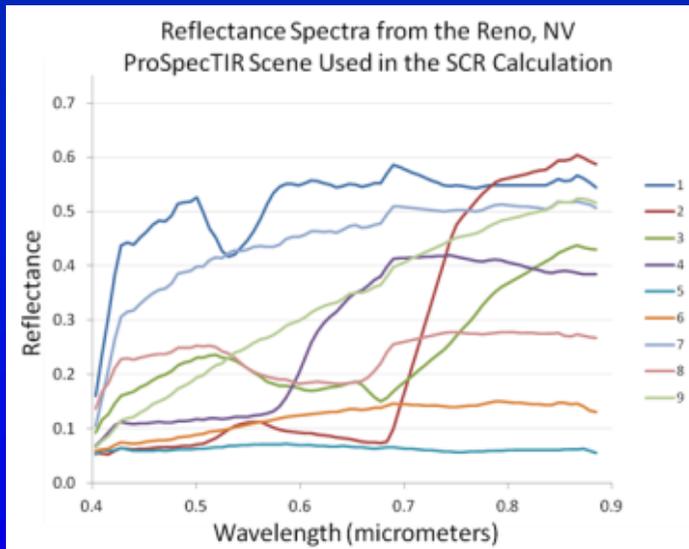


From Allen et al., SPIE DSS 2013



$$SCR = \sqrt{(b - \mu)^T M^{-1} (b - \mu)}$$

Where b is target, μ is mean background, and M is the covariance matrix of the background



Signal-to-Clutter Ratio (SCR)		
Spectrum	SCR in the Microscene	SCR in the Reno Scene
1	16.6	27.2
2	9.2	10.5
3	6.7	29.6
4	11.3	25.9
5	3.1	6.3
6	2.8	7.9
7	7.5	13.0
8	8.4	25.4
9	4.1	10.4



Sensor Characterization

Laboratory radiance sources do not match reality very closely

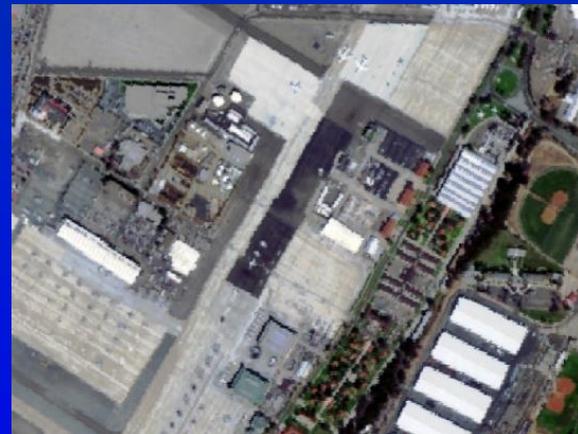
We calibrate with spectrally and spatially uniform sources...

Example: lamp-illuminated integrating sphere for reflective bands,



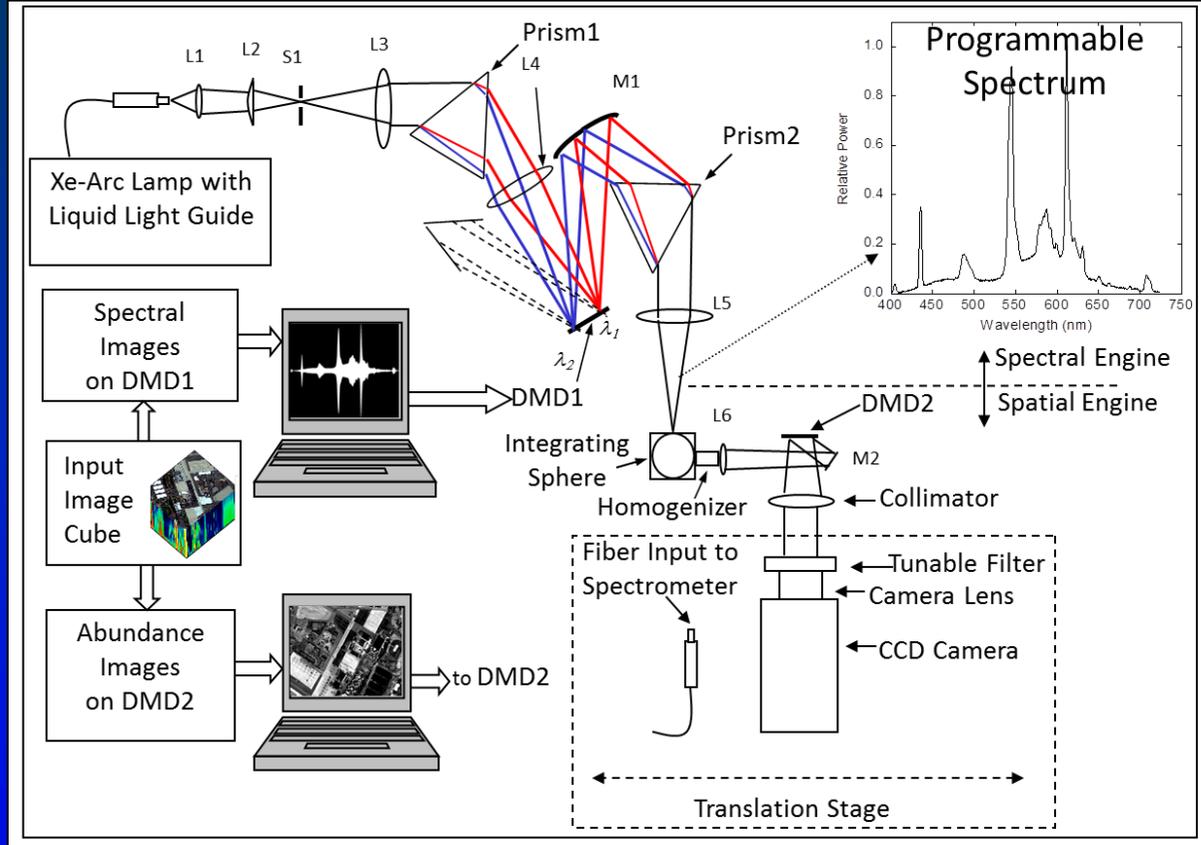
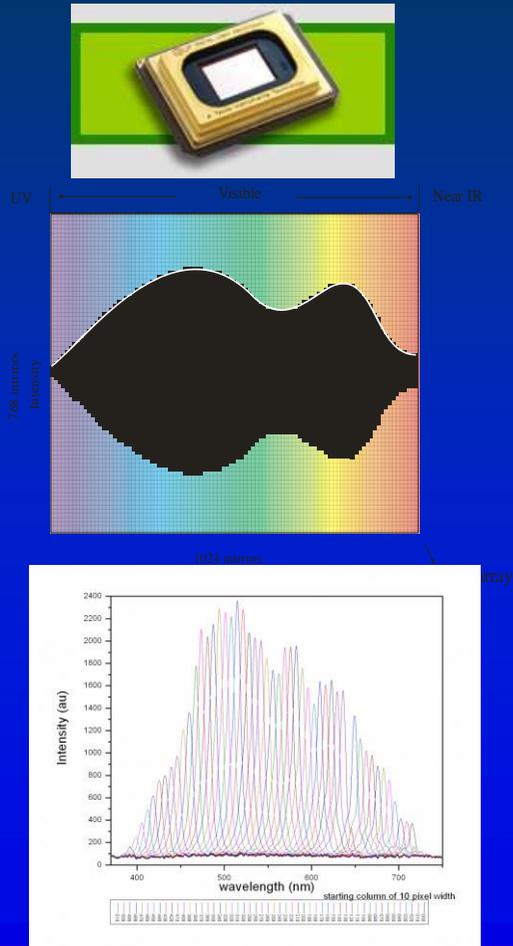
But reality is spectrally/spectrally non-uniform:

Example: Hyperspectral Image of North Island Naval Air Station, San Diego, CA



Hyperspectral Image Projector (HIP)

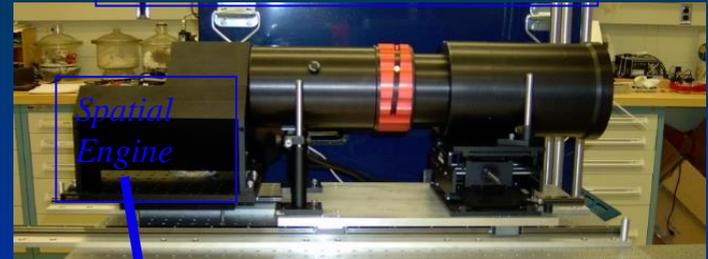
- Provides hardware-in-the-loop testing with full spectral and spatial content
- Application specific
- In essence, brings the vast outdoors into the lab



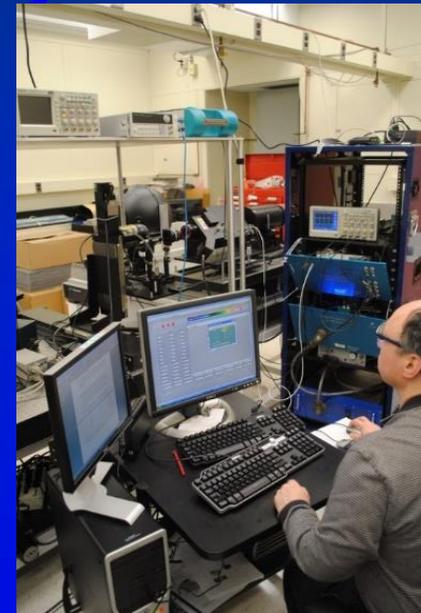
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NIST/Resonon VNIR-SWIR HIP System

*Collimator For Projection
to UUT*



*Spatial
Engine*



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*SWIR
Spectral
Engine*



*VNIR
Spectral
Engine*



*Super-
continuum
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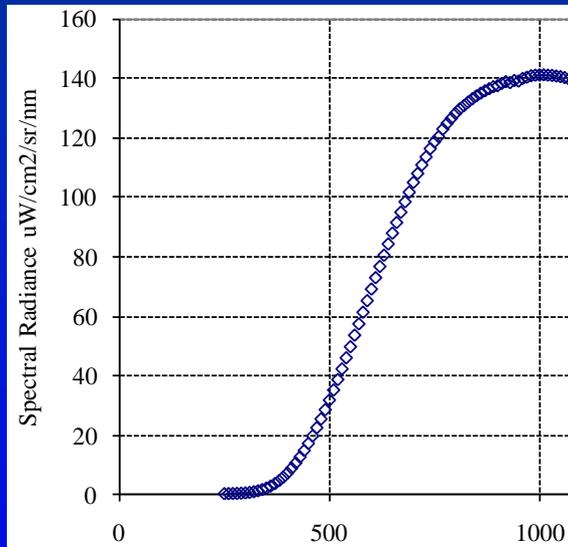
Power Supply



Hyperspectral Image Projector (HIP)

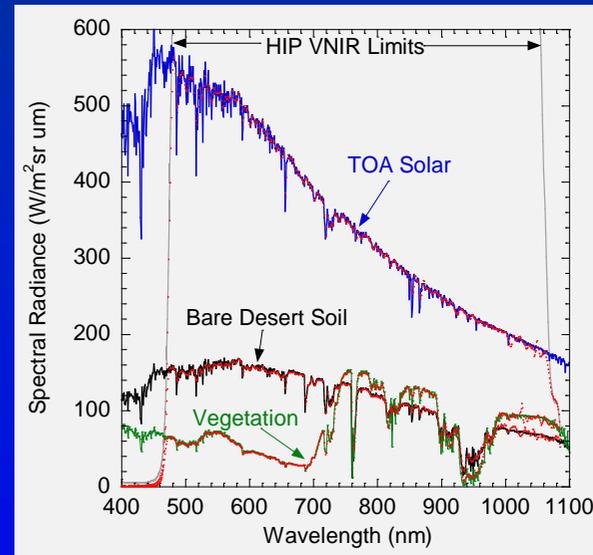
- The HIP is a NIST scene projector providing high resolution spectra at each spatial pixel.
- Using this for sensor testing prior to flight could validate designs and avoid future problems.
- Red data below right shows actual HIP output spectra matched to some typical Earth-reflected spectra, shown in other colors, including Top-of-Atmosphere (TOA).
- This demonstrates that the HIP can simulate the scene from a bright sunny day outside.

Lamp-spectrum (for comparison to HIP)



Wavelength (nm)

HIP Spectra

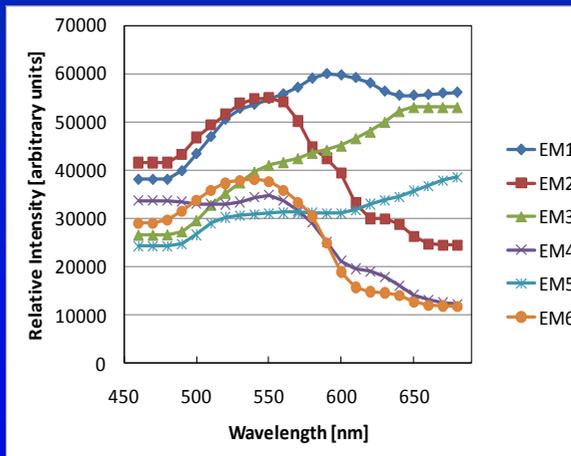
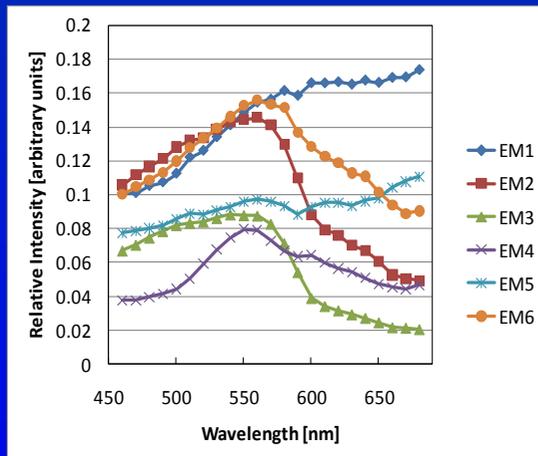


HIP Projection

- “Original” is an actual hyperspectral image cube of a coral reef measured from an aircraft platform
- “HIP-Projected” is the original as projected by the HIP breadboard directly into a laboratory imaging spectrometer
- Images below are color composites from only three (460 nm, 550 nm, 650 nm) of the 23 bands measured
- Differences result from a combination of imperfect HIP breadboard and imperfect imaging spectrometer calibration



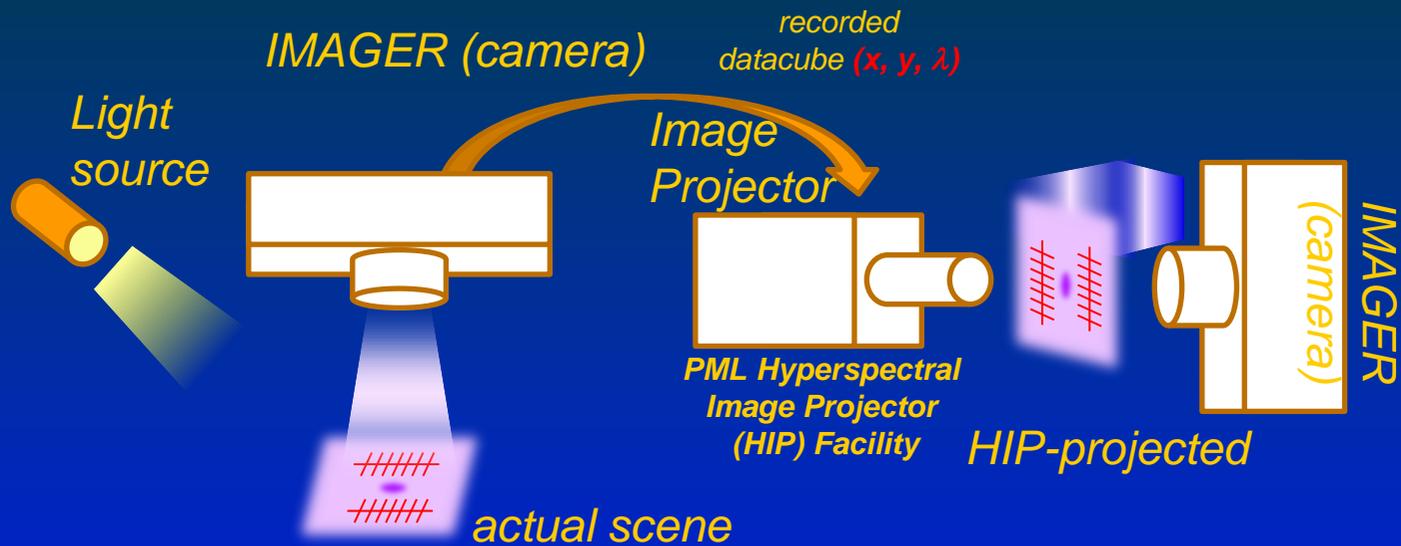
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of the original
image cube*



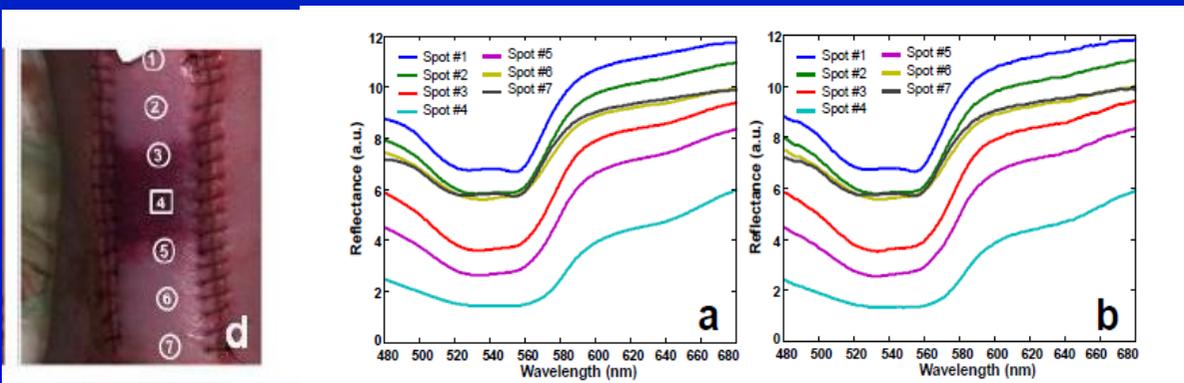
*Eigenspectra
of the HIP-
projected
image cube*

Digital tissue phantoms

Realistic references standards for optical device calibration



Pig Skin flap



Original spectra

HIP-projected

Radiometric Calibration

CIS



- Radiance responsivity
- SNR
- NUC



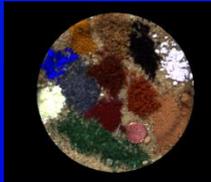
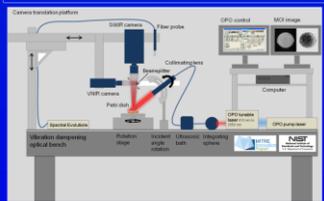
CIS

HIP



- Error Matrix
- SNR (signatures)
- Spectral band response
- MTF
- Synthetic test targets

Tunable Laser Baser Hyperspectral Microscopy



Conclusions

- *New remote sensing platforms will continue to drive the development of Compact Imaging Spectrometers (CIS)*
- *Due to the variety of optical designs, matching the SWaP and performance to the right application will be critical*
- *NIST calibration services provides a means to evaluate the performance of a CIS in relationship to the application*

Hyperspectral Standards

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Hyperspectral Imaging Standards Workshop

Date: **Wednesday 22 April 2015**

Time: **4:30 PM - 6:00 PM**

Location: **Conv. Ctr. 346**

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Workshop Chair: **David Allen**, National Institute of Standards and Technology (USA)

Panel Members: **Ronald Resmini**, MITRE Corporation (USA); **Oliver Weatherbee**, SpecTIR LLC (USA); **Terry Stonecker**, USGS (USA); **Karen Reczek**, National Institute of Standards and Technology (USA)

Panel Moderator: **Karen Reczek**, National Institute of Standards and Technology (USA)

Purpose: Hyperspectral imaging as a field is in the process of maturing from a specialized tool to a routine method applied to many facets of society. Standards provide common reference points that foster an understanding between different entities. This meeting is intended to survey the range of standards currently available and to identify gaps where new standards are needed. The range of standards open for discussion encompass all aspects related to hyperspectral imaging and may include performance specifications, calibration standards, data formats, terminology, and best practices. This workshop will provide an open forum for metrology laboratories, instrument vendors, data product analysts, data product vendors, and end-users. The outcome of this meeting will provide guidance for future activities including an expanded workshop to address areas determined to be significant bottlenecks restricting the full potential of this field. This meeting is open to all DSS registered attendees.

Goals:

- Provide a forum for the hyperspectral imaging community to discuss current and needed standards
- Identifying international standards organizations that are the most logical homes for new standards
- Address the need for standards to address regulatory requirements
- Discuss the possibility of a uniform set of performance metrics
- Discuss the need for traceability to national standards
- Consider formalizing best practices

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