

Integration of GOES, MODIS, and HyspIRI Thermal Satellite Imagery for Mapping Daily ET at the Subfield Scale

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Why global remotely sensed ET?

Climate Change

- GEO: Essential Climate Variable
- Link between global energy and water cycles
- Adaptation to climate change
 - water availability, soil salinization
- Diagnostic check on GCMs/LSMs
 - bridge between observation and model grid scales



Remote sensing



GCM

Tower flux

Why global remotely sensed ET?

100

200

300

400

ET (mm)

Societal Benefits

- Water resource management
 - water rights compliance and trading
- International irrigation projects
 - monitoring efficiency and distribution equitability
- Food security
 - drought early warning and impact assessment

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Given known radiative energy inputs, how much water loss is required to keep the soil and vegetation at the observed temperatures?

WATER BALANCE APPROACH ("forward modeling")

REMOTE SENSING APPROACH

("inverse modeling")

Sensitivity to irrigation





Satellite Thermal Imaging Systems

Pixel Scale	Spatial Resolution	Temporal Resolution	Current Sources	Future Sources
Coarse	5-20 km	15 min	AIRS GOES MSG	CrIS GOES MSG
Moderate	1 km	~Daily	MODIS AVHRR ATSR	VIIRS AVHRR ATSR
Fine	60–120 m	Once every 8- 16 days	ASTER Landsat	LDCM HyspIRI

Table from S. Hook

APPLICATIONS ... evapotranspiration

ALEXI – Atmosphere-Land Exchange Inverse Model (Anderson et al, JGR, 2007)

Atmosphere-Land Exchange Inverse (ALEXI)



Regional scale

Surface temp: Air temp:

 ΔT_{RAD} - GOES T_a - ABL model Landscape scale T_{RAD} - TM, MODIS, HyspIRI T_a - ALEXI



1 July 2002 – 10:30AM CST



SAN PEDRO RIVER, ARIZONA





Florida

Orlando

HIGH-RESOLUTION INTERPOLATION

Daily Evapotranspiration – Orlando, FL, 2002



GOES/MODIS/Landsat FUSION



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(9% error)

APPLICATIONS monitoring drought



Evaporative Stress Index

MONTHLY ANOMALIES



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2007 SEASONAL ANOMALIES

- samples 5cm layer
- 50km pixels (AMSR)
- ~2-day coverage
- light vegetation cover

ALEXI GOES THERMAL

- samples ~1-2m layer
- 60m 5km pixels (L7, GOES)
- ~15-day coverage (90%)
- low to high vegetation cover

Multi-scale Drought Monitoring

GLOBAL APPLICATIONS ... Improve ALEXI domain coverage and resolution

Geostationary Satellite Coverage

Nile Basin Initiative Decision Support

METEOSAT COVERAGE

Midday Latent Heat Flux

2008

Meteosat (ALEXI)

ALEXI – Europe (Meteosat 10km)

Spain (Irrigation District)

LEBRIJA, SPAIN May 15 2005

Landsat 5 (120m)

CONCLUSIONS

HyspIRI is uniquely suited for global water use applications:
wall-to-wall coverage 5-day revisit (TIR) sub-field scale resolution (60m) hyperspectral stress signals

HYSPIRI ADDS SIGNIFICANT VALUE TO OPERATIONAL TIR IMAGING SYSTEMS

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ALEXI validation sites

Clear-sky fluxes using Landsat TIR (~100m)

Sensitivity to shallow water tables

