



Meteosat solar channels

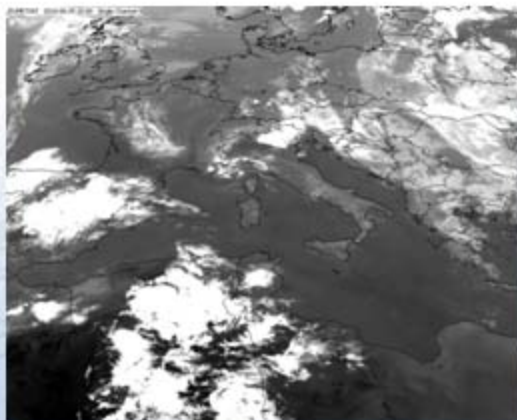
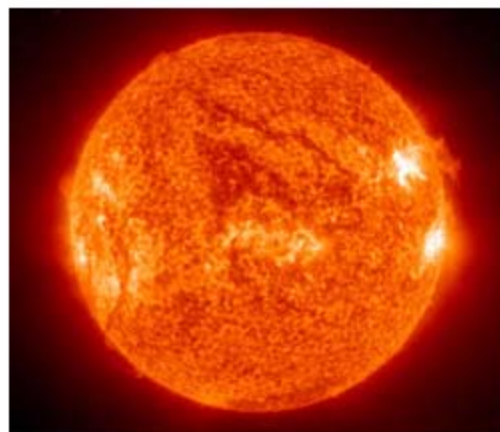
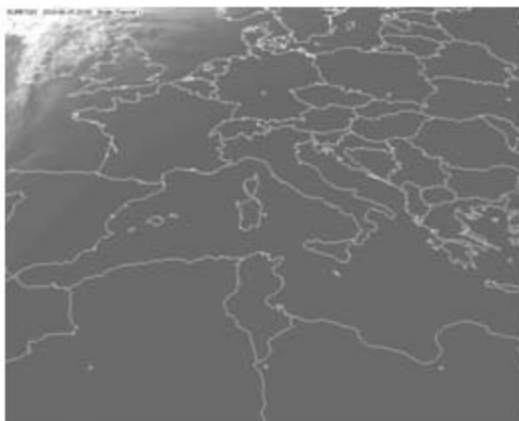


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Which IMAGE is VISIBLE ?



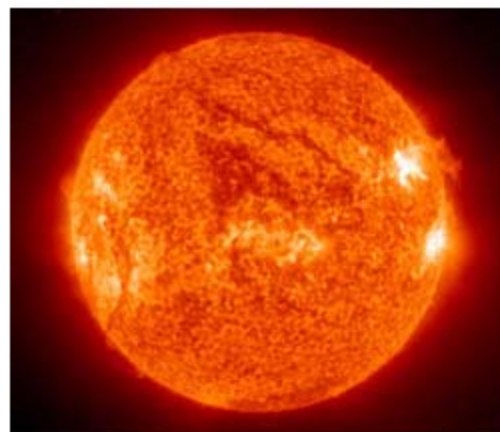
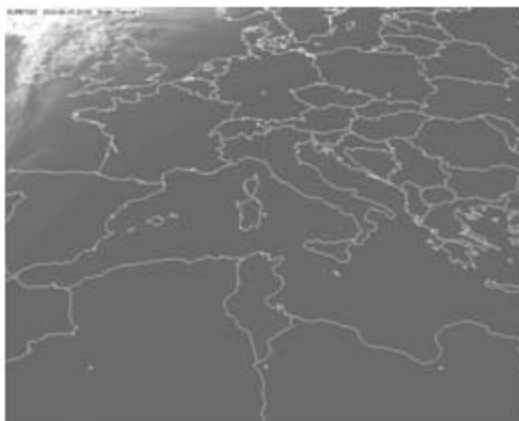
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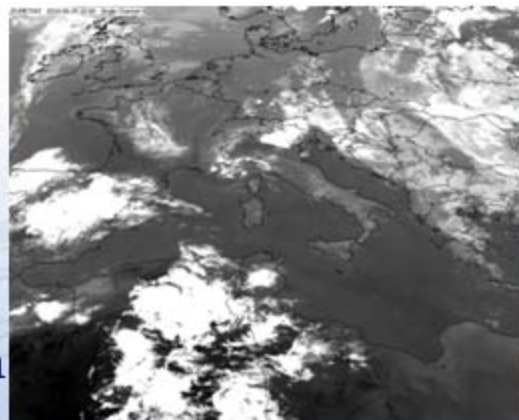
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0.6 μ m



Soho

10.8 μ m



India

Most images are visible, fewer are SOLAR

Properties					
Channel	Cloud	Gases	Application		
HRV 0.7	> Scattering	Broad band VIS	Surface, aerosol, cloud detail (1 km)	12	
VIS 0.6		Narrow band	Ice or snow	1	
VIS 0.8		Narrow band	Vegetation	2	
NIR 1.6		Window	Aerosols, snow<>cloud	3	
IR 3.8	Emissivity	Triple window	SST, fog<>surface , ice cloud	4	
WV 6.2		Water vapour	Upper troposphere 300 Hpa humidity	5	
WV 7.3		Water vapour	Mid -troposphere 600 Hpa humidity	6	
IR 8.7		Almost window	Water vapour in boundary layer, ice<>liquid	7	
IR 9.7	< Absorption	Ozone	Stratospheric winds	8	
IR 10.8		Split window	CTH, cloud analysis, PW	9	
IR 12.0		Split window	Land and SST	10	
IR 13.4		Carbon dioxide	+10.8: Semitransparent-cloud top , air mass analysis	11	

SEVIRI channel similarity

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← solar → ←3.9→ ← thermal →

Channel	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1										
2	0.99									
3	0.82	0.89								
4	0.26	0.35	0.60							
5	-0.47	-0.48	-0.46	0.08						
6	-0.46	-0.44	-0.34	0.42	0.80					
7	-0.61	-0.66	-0.68	0.00	0.80	0.83				
8	-0.60	-0.65	-0.66	-0.02	0.76	0.80	0.99			
9	-0.60	-0.64	-0.68	-0.02	0.82	0.83	0.99	0.97		
10	-0.58	-0.61	-0.61	0.10	0.86	0.91	0.97	0.94	0.98	
11	-0.56	-0.56	-0.49	0.26	0.83	0.97	0.89	0.86	0.90	0.96

- Solar channels 0.6 and 0.8 μm are very similar
- Those two channels are dissimilar of 1.6 μm
- All three have a low correlation with the thermal

- Solar channels characteristics
- Vegetation monitoring
- Cloud phase and particle size
- Sun glint
- Aerosol

➤ Solar channels

➤ Where you learn how to tell a cloud from a forest

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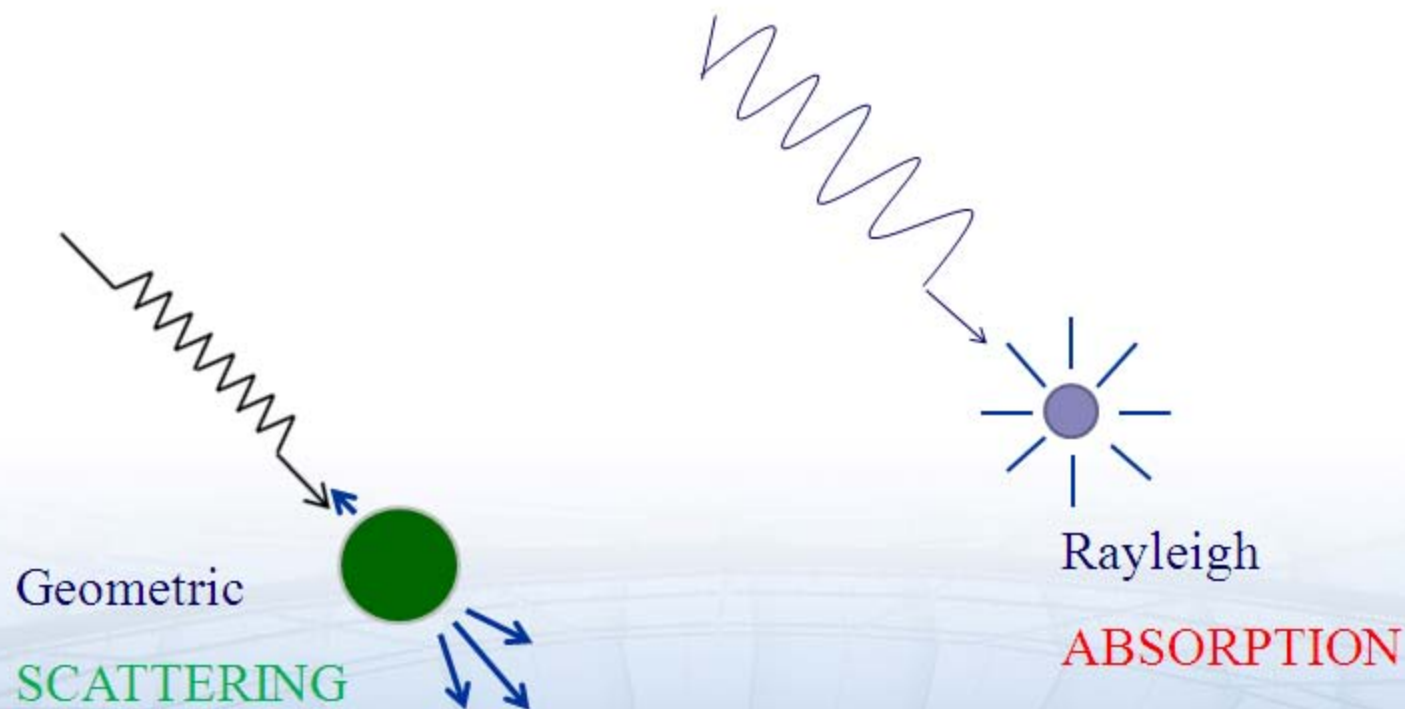
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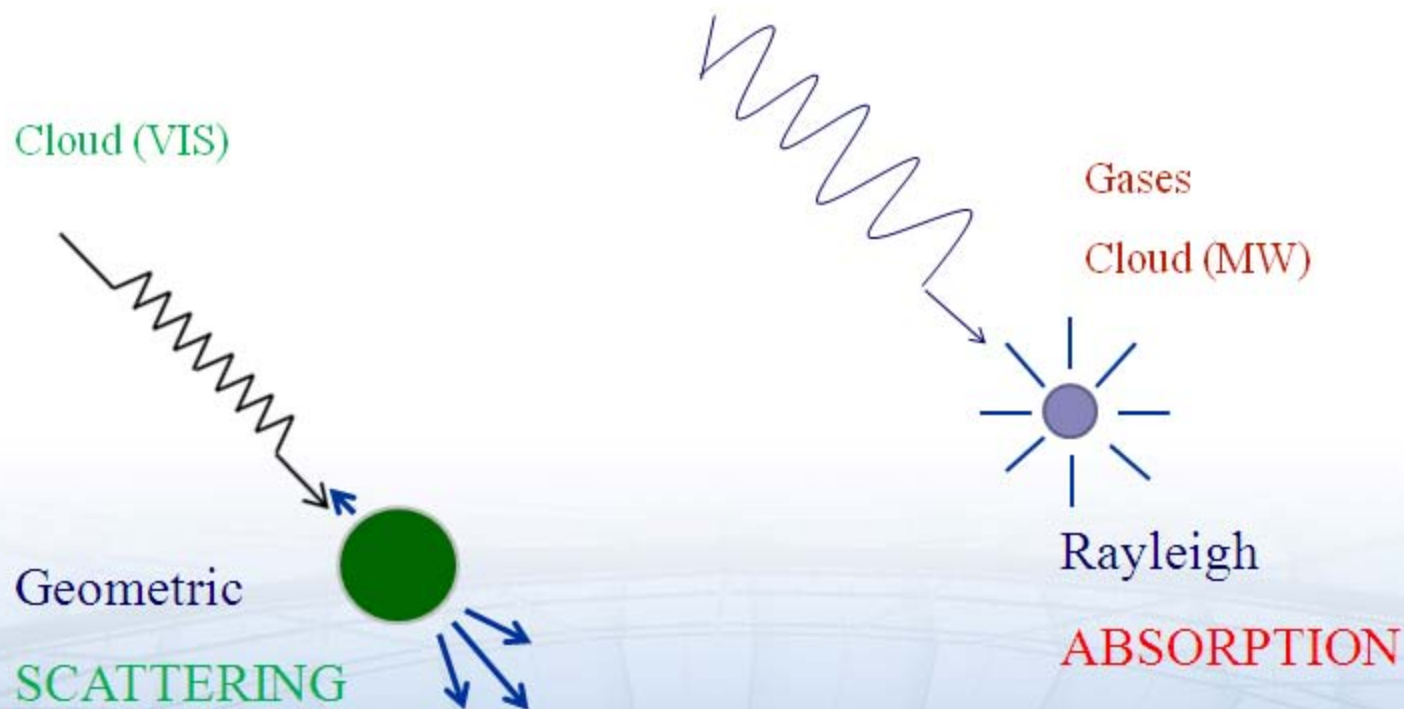
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RADIATION and MATTER



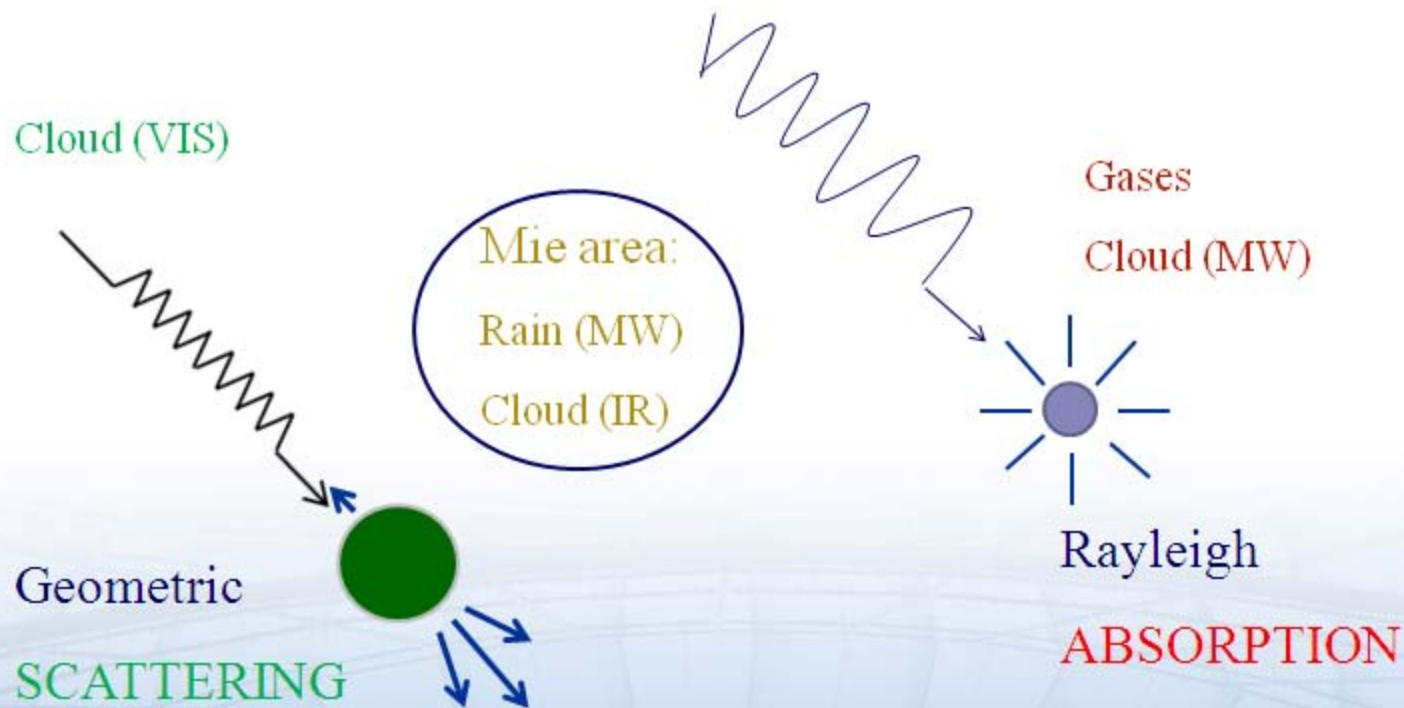
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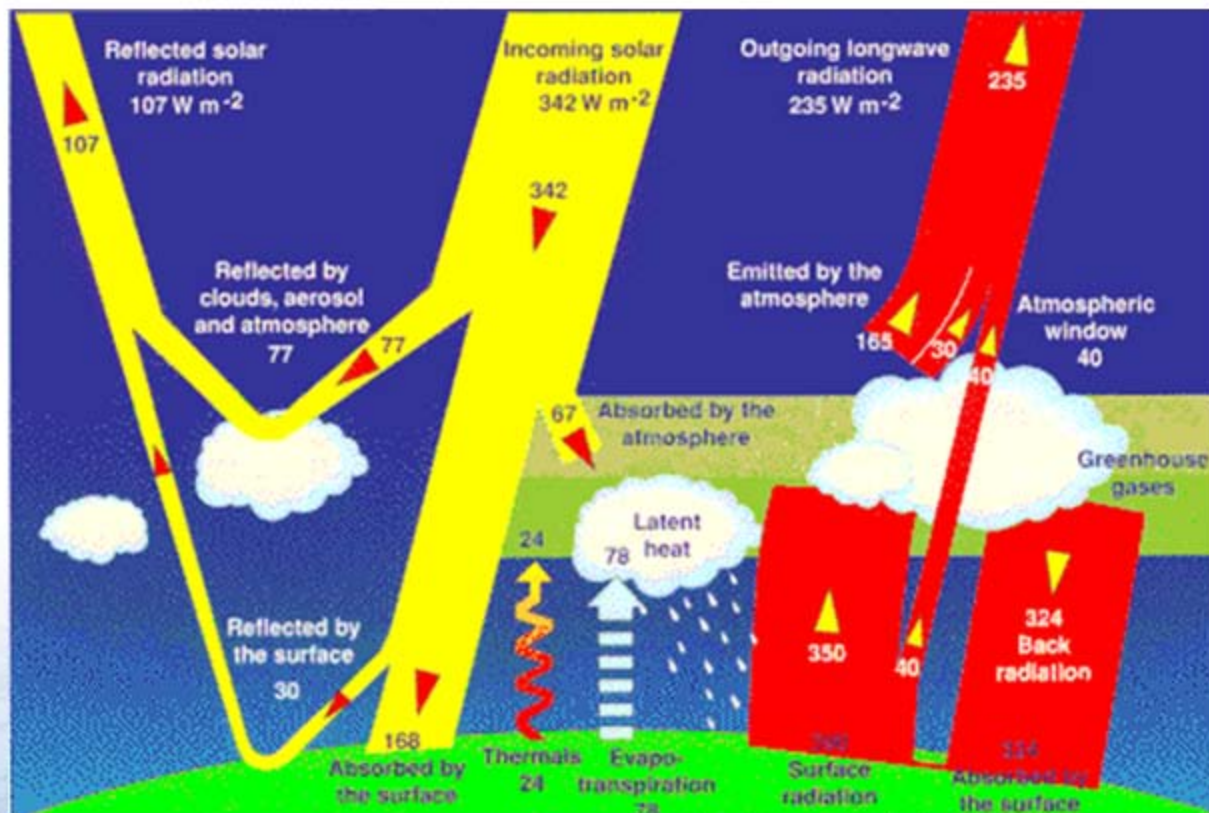
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Top of the atmosphere: solar + thermal = 0

Reflectors

Cloud G
Land
Plankton
Ocean
Oil slicks
Humidity
Aerosol
Air



http://asd-www.larc.nasa.gov/cores/brochure/clouds_and_energy.html

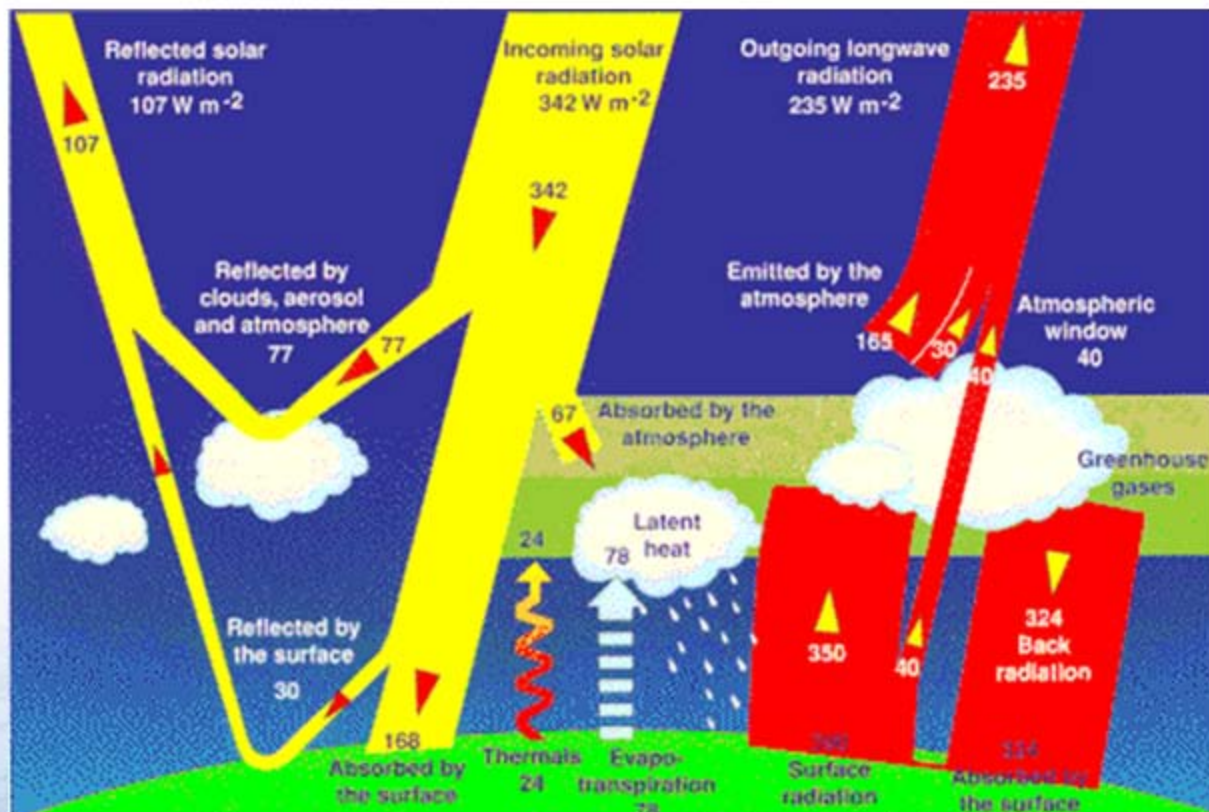
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Classify the reflectors:

Rayleigh
Geometric
Mie

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Which is not a reflector ?

High reflectance

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thick clouds

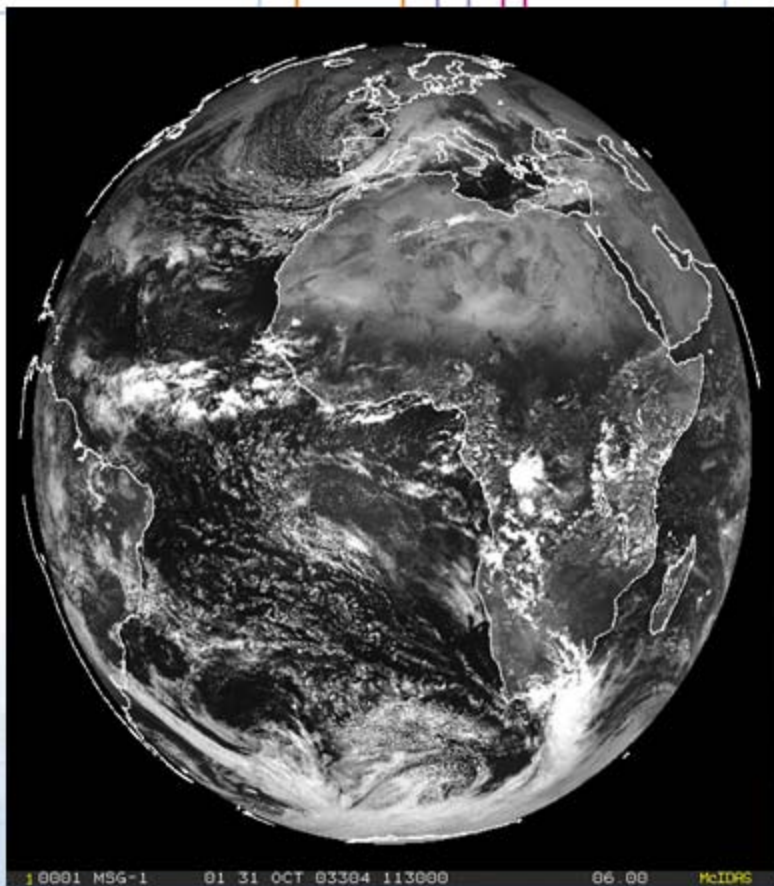
**Sun Glint
Snow**

Desert

Bare Soil

Forest

Ocean, Sea



**thin clouds over
land**

**thin clouds over
ocean**

Low reflectance

31 October 2003, 11:30 UTC

Sun Glint
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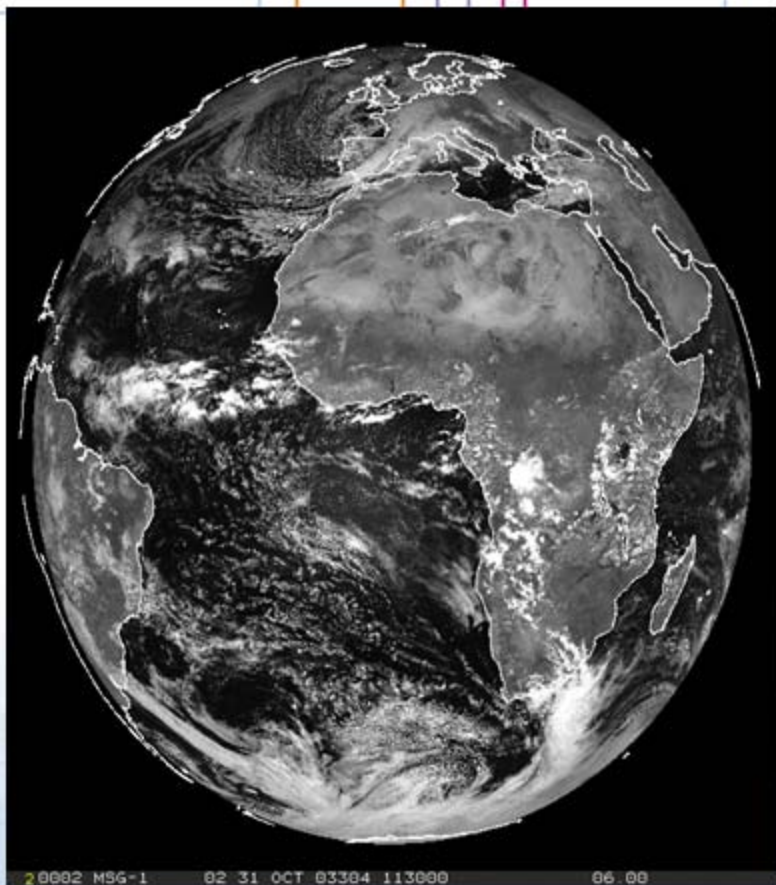
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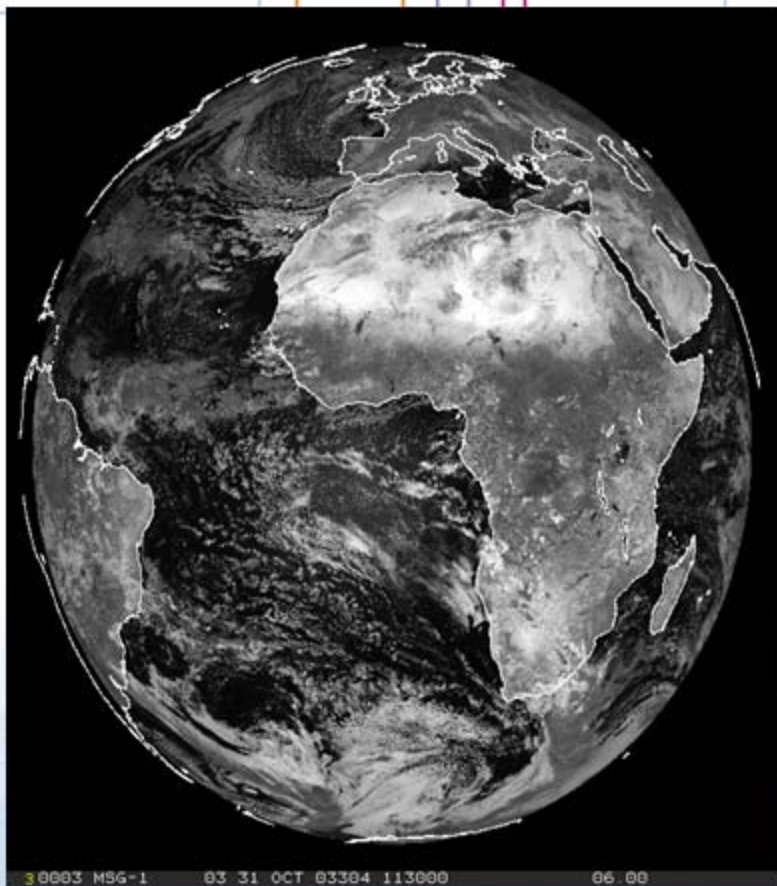
Sun Glint
Sand Desert

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Water clouds
(small droplets)

Water clouds
(large droplets)

Ice clouds (small
particles)

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0.6 μm albedo scale:

Cb Snow Sand Shallow or broken cloud Ocean



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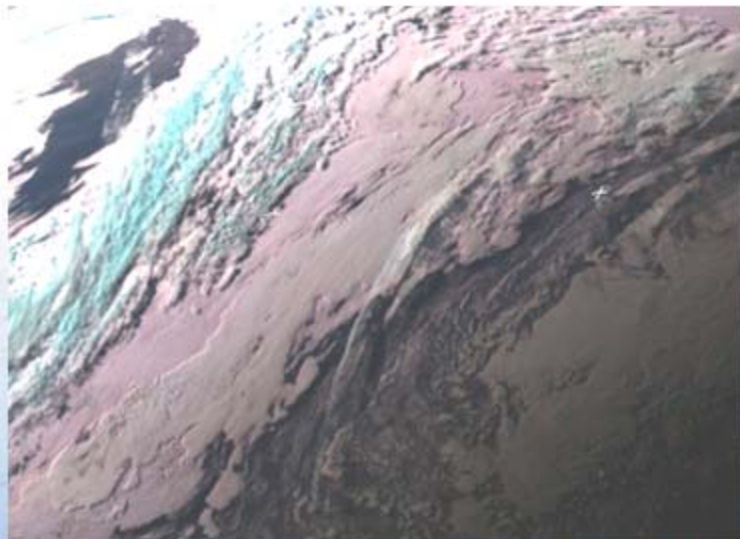
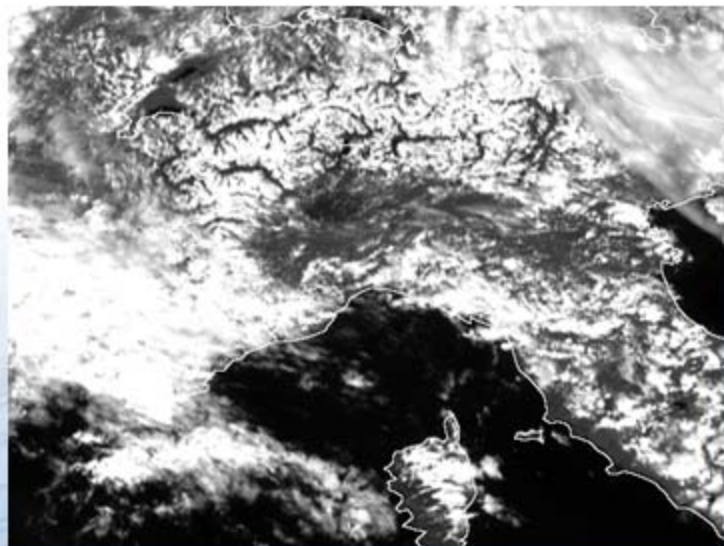
Small droplets more reflective? More section for the same amount of water:

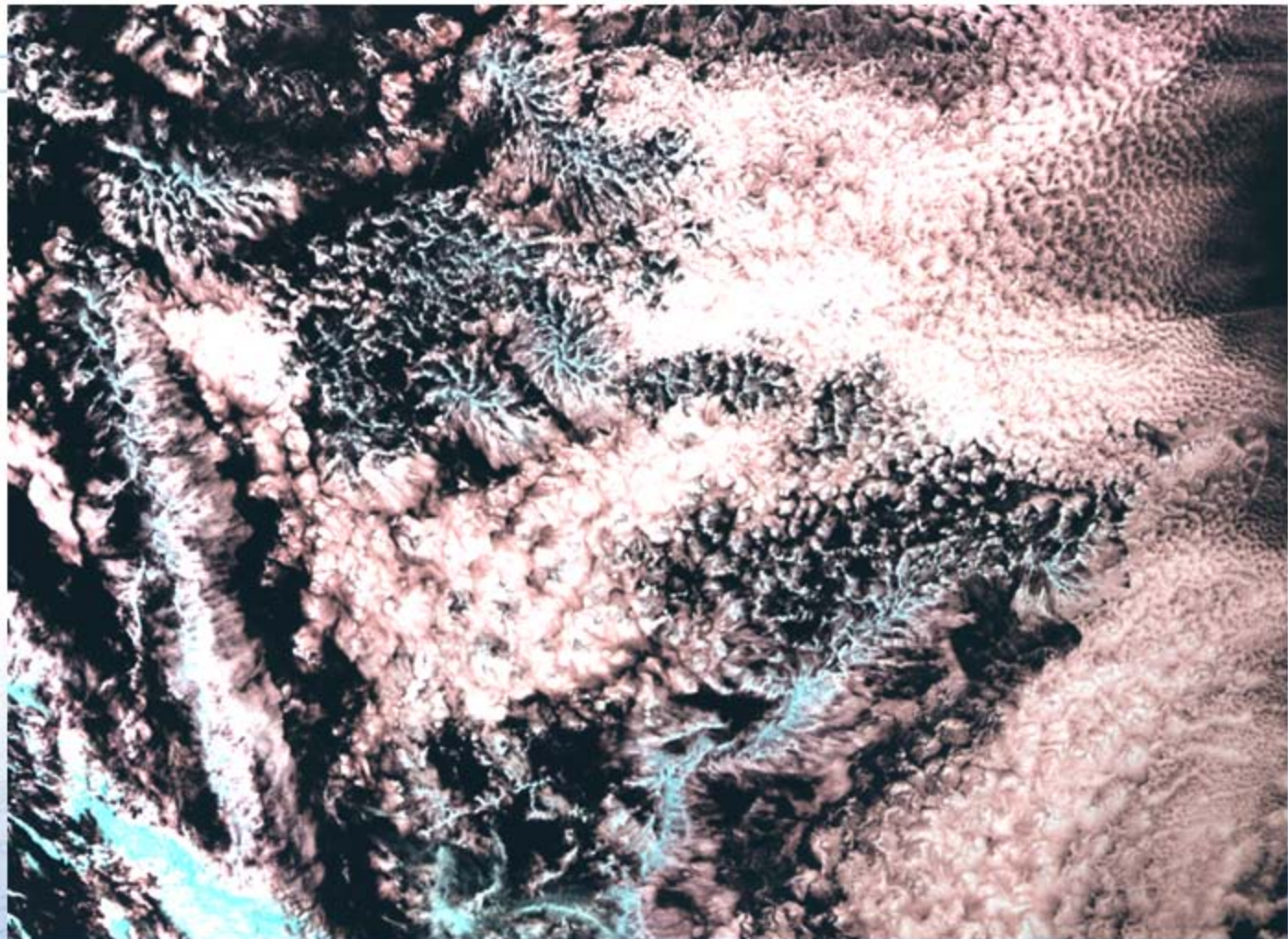


In addition, smaller droplets are more efficient reflectors

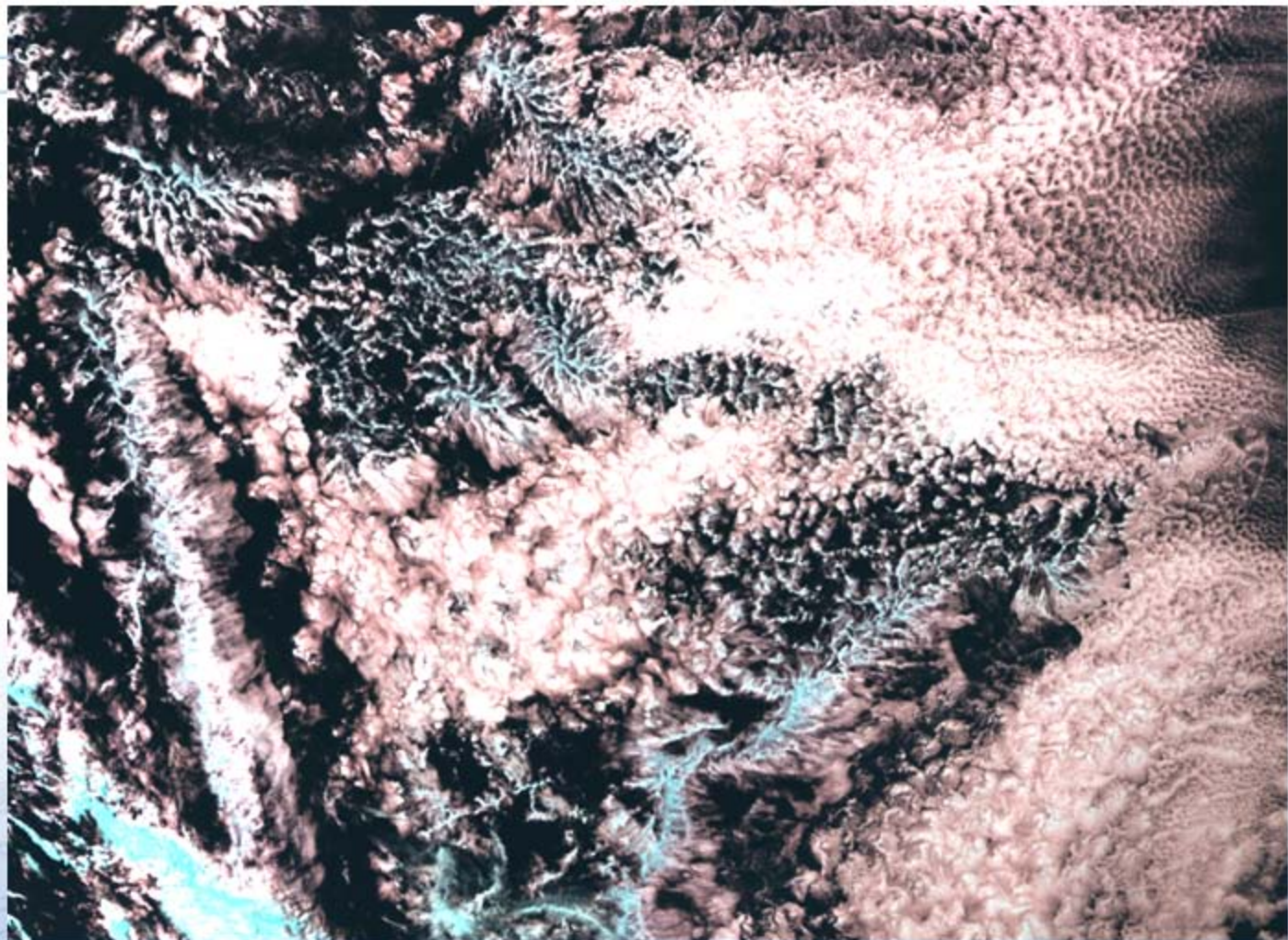
SOLAR images characteristics

- Shades**: oblique sun, vertical structure. Reflective boundaries
- Texture** (local standard deviation): cloud type. Sc from St
- Clouds** versus dendritic more permanent **snow**
- Thin Ci**: frequently not detected, more visible over ocean. Better in IR





Which mountain range is this?

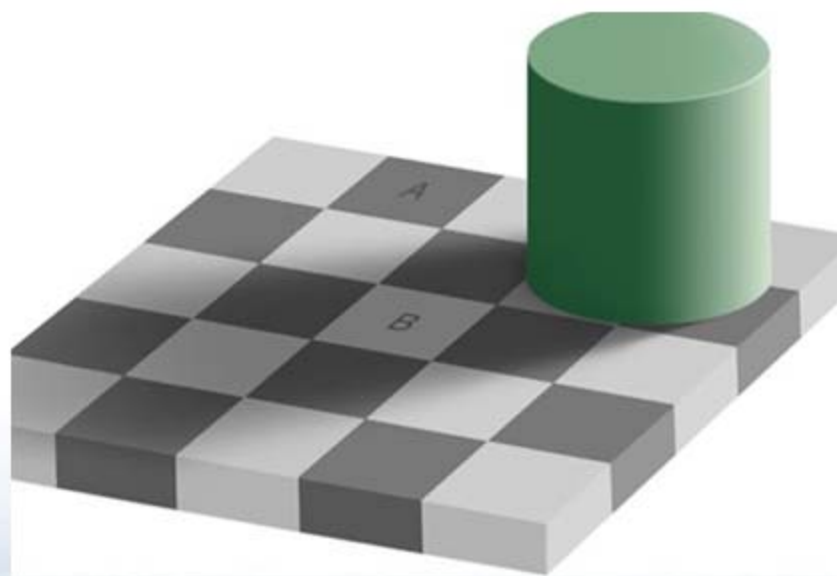


Meteosat-9 Atlantic Ocean around -10E -15N, 2011-05-31 15 UTC

Which mountain range is this?

I can not believe my eyes

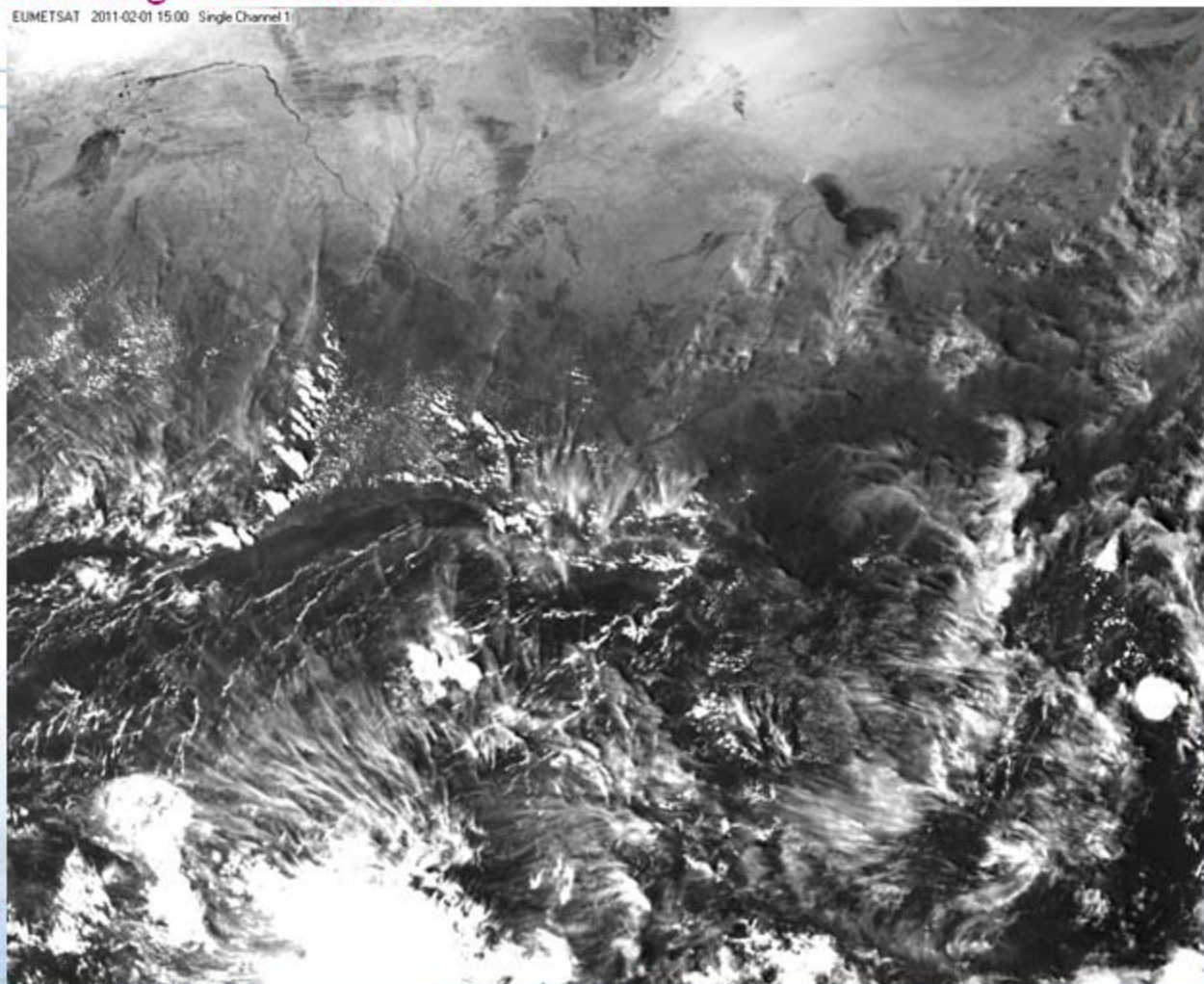
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Which cell is darker: A or B ?

Combining solar channels

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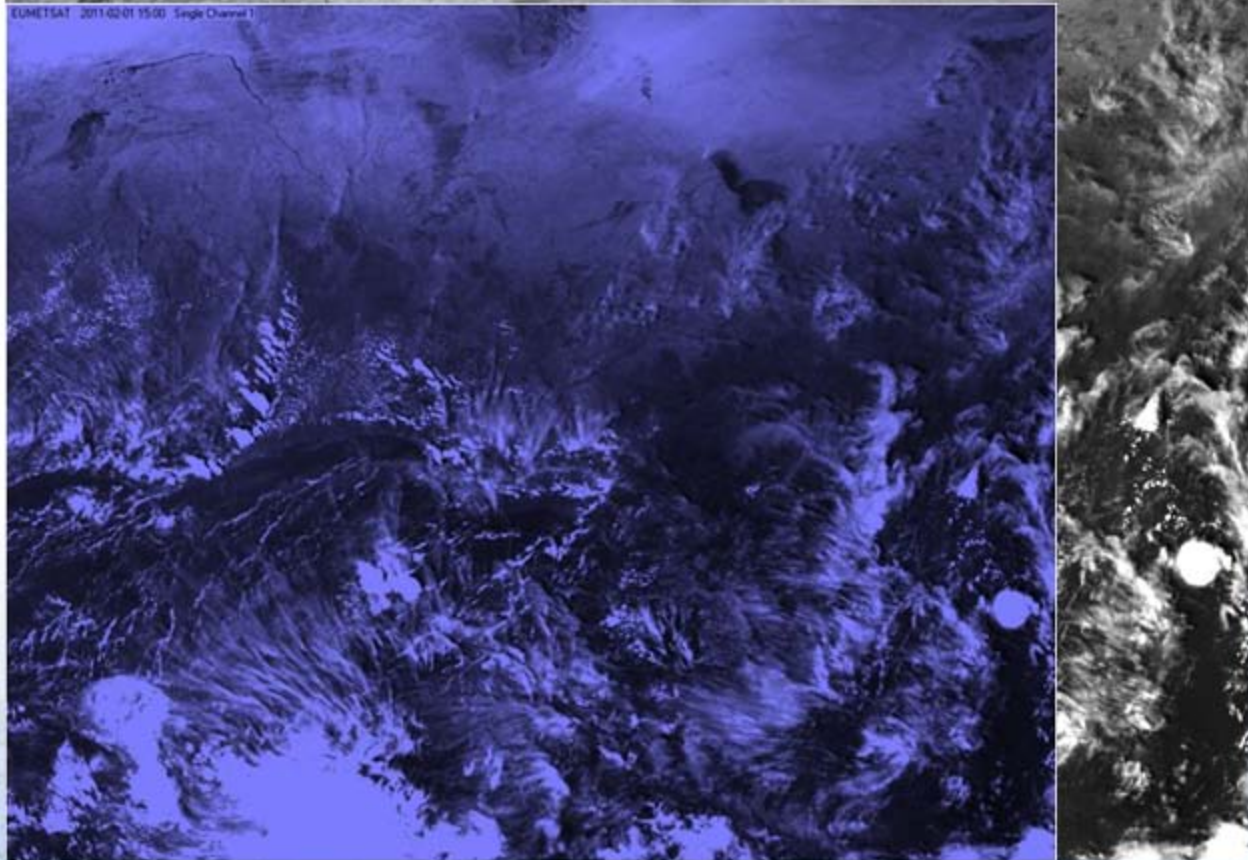


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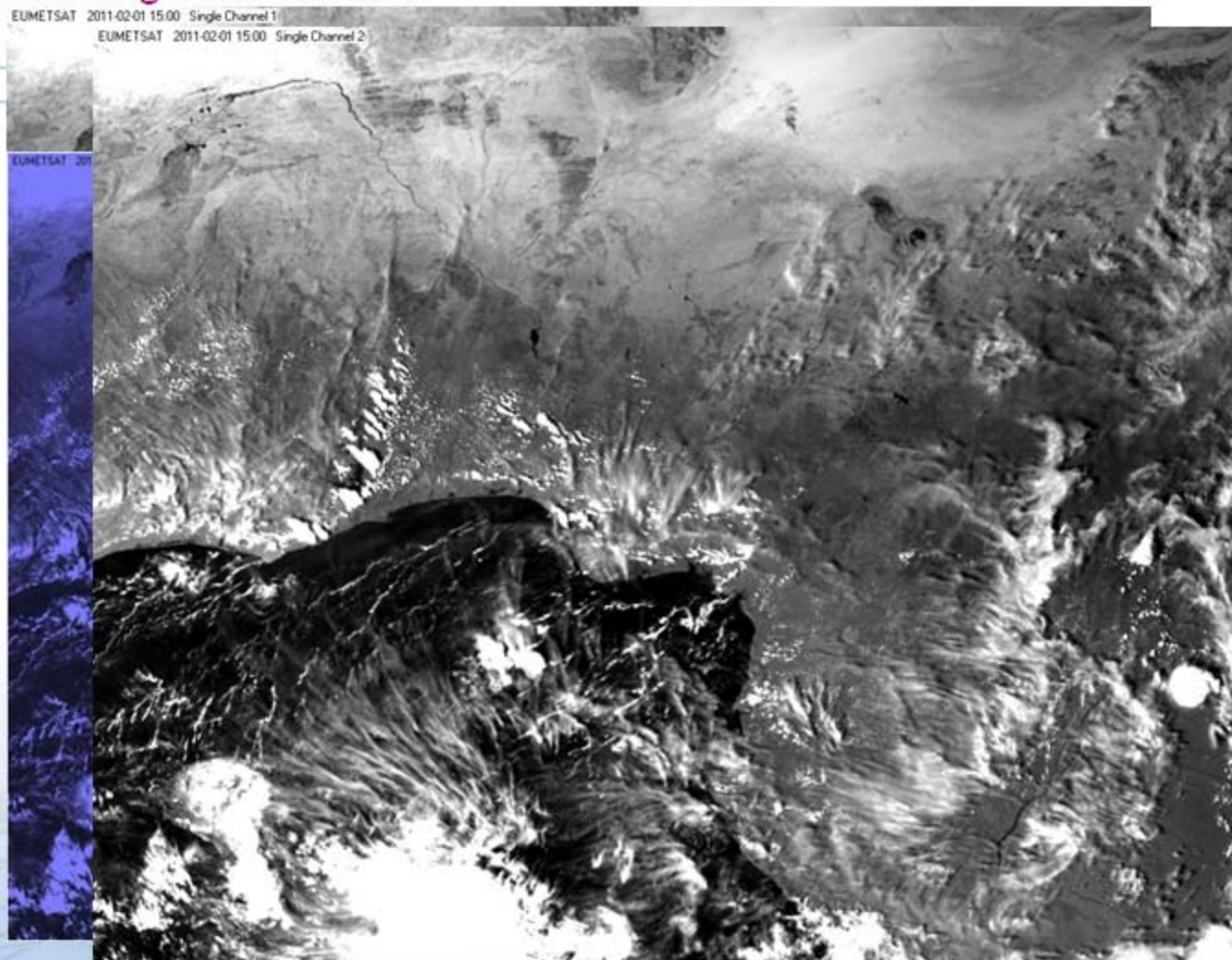
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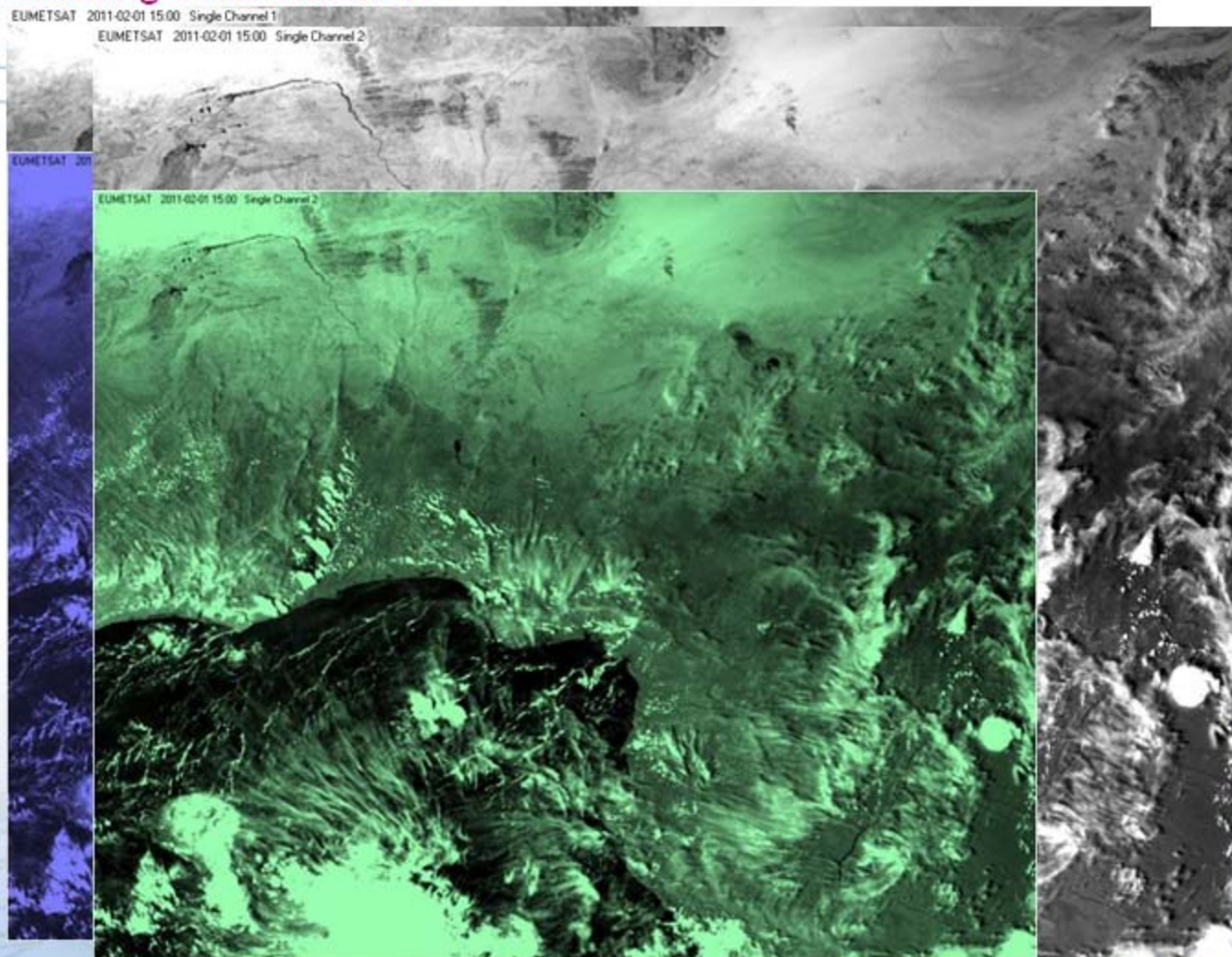


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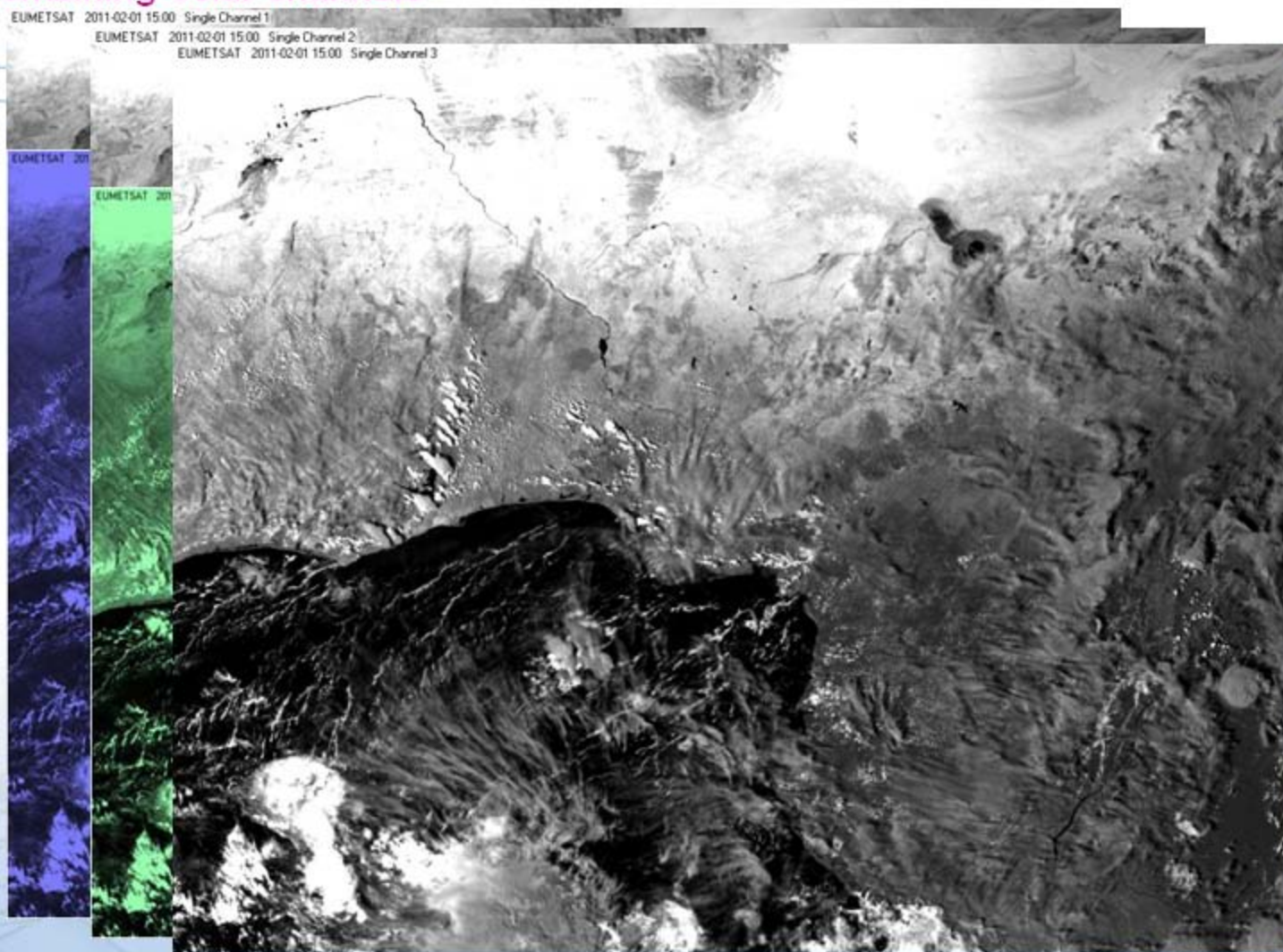
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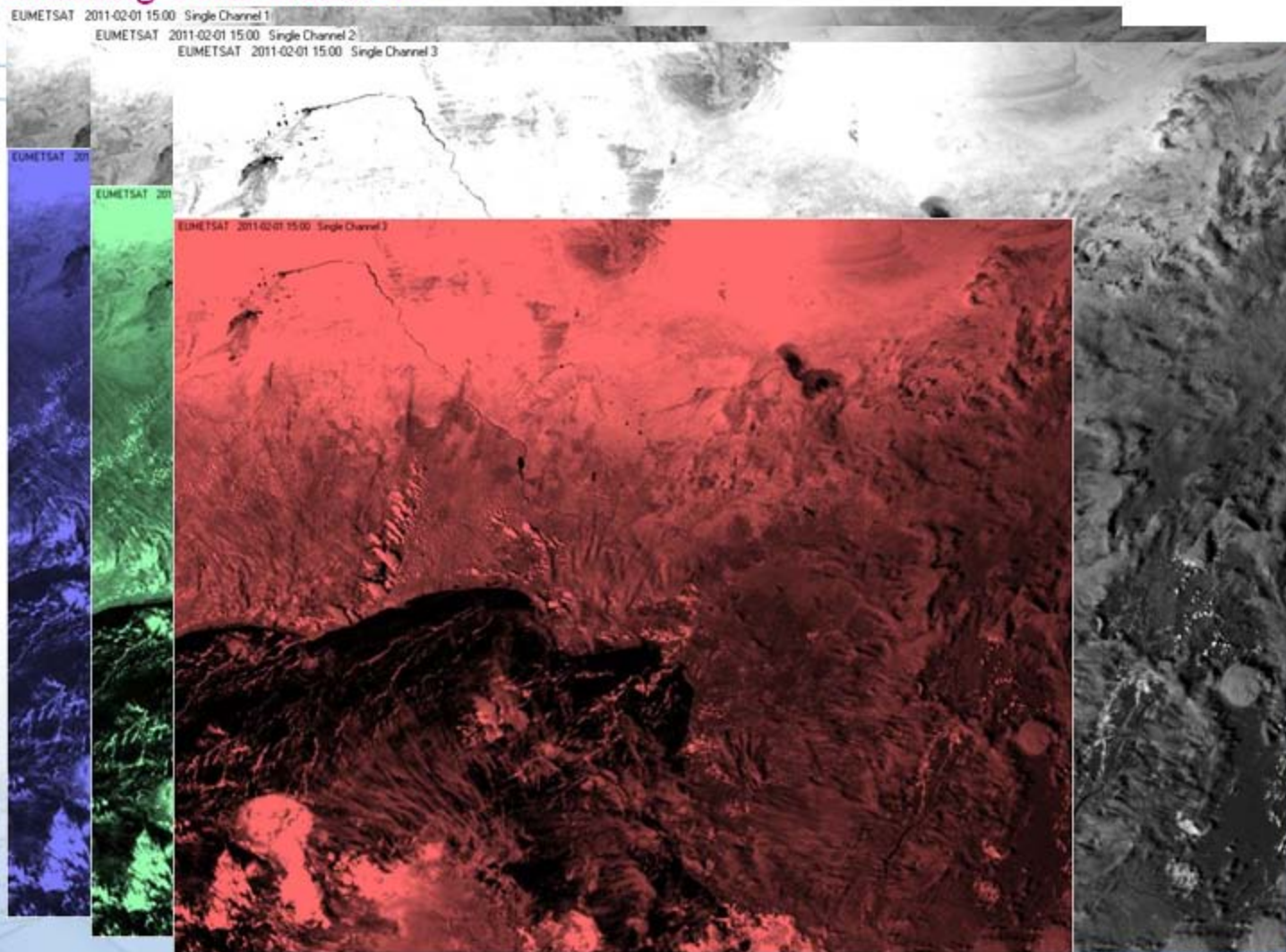
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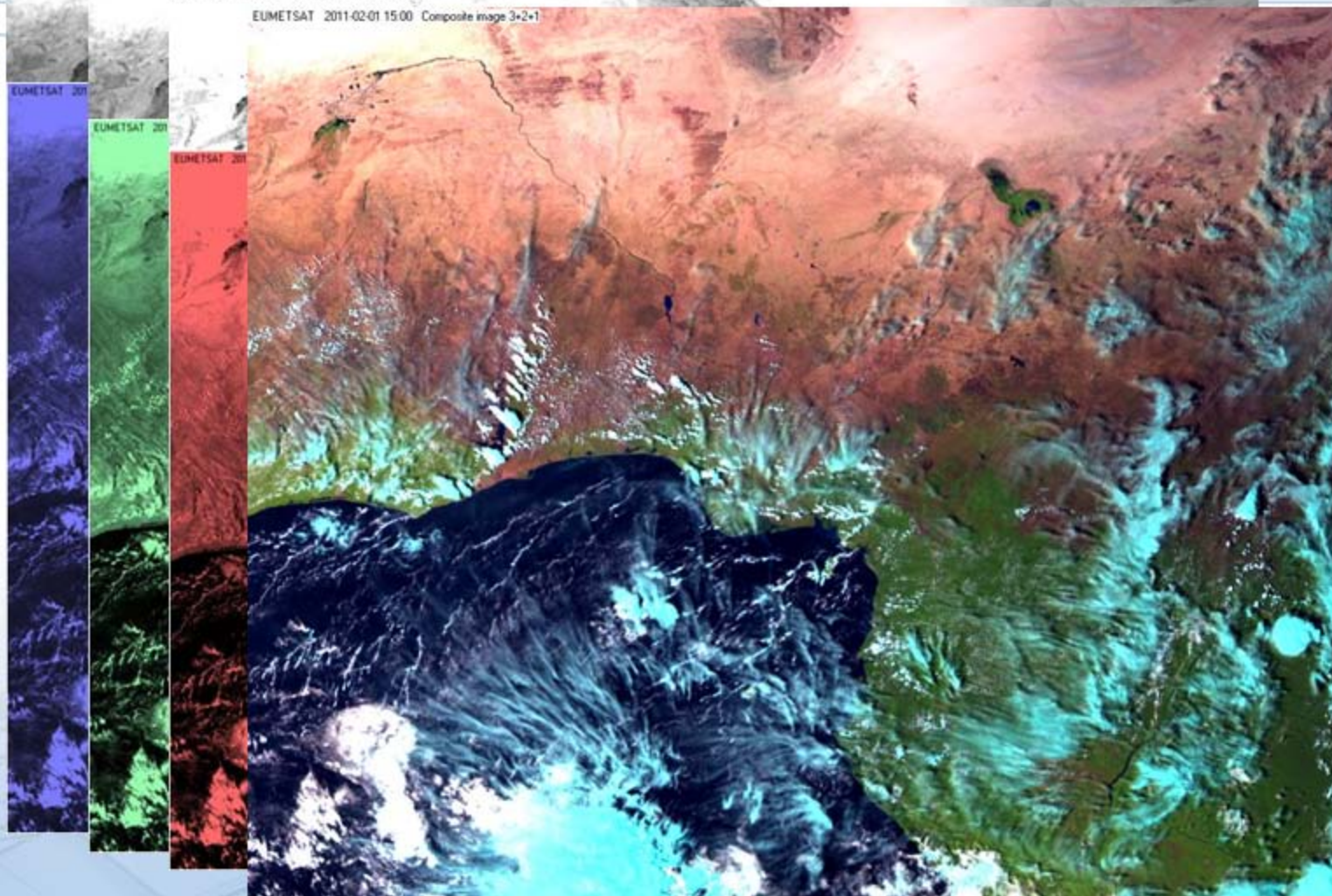
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EUMETSAT 2011-02-01 15:00 Single Channel 3

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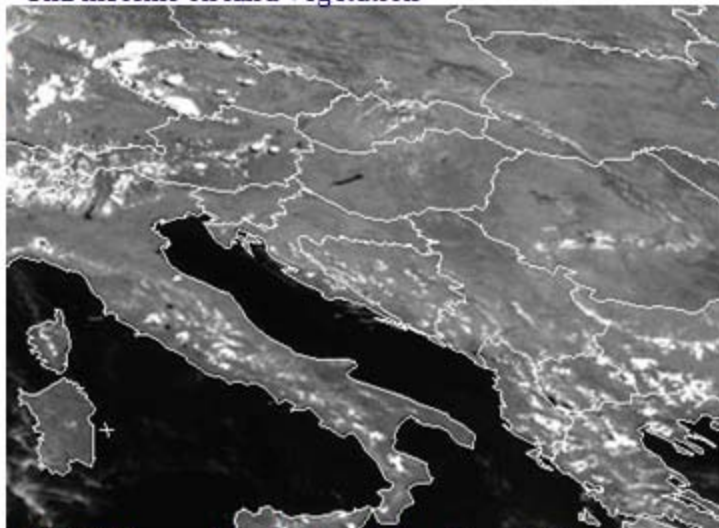


Meteosat solar channels

Ch1 filters out land



Ch2 informs on land vegetation



Ch3 separates cloud phases: liquid from ice

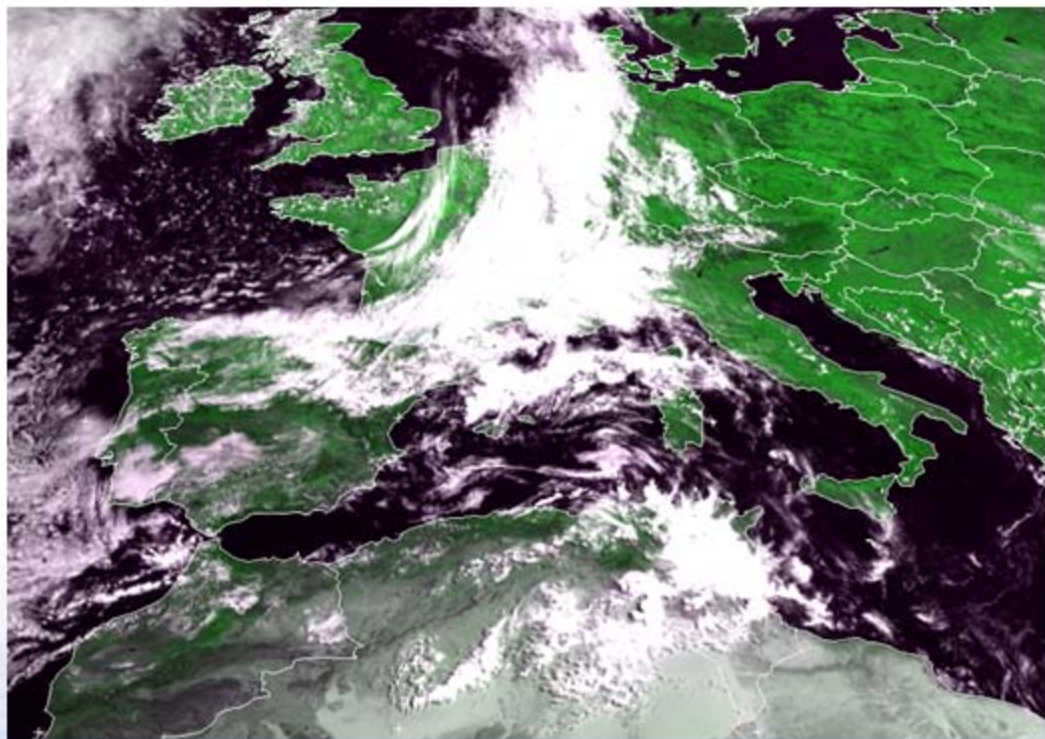


RGB 321 provides land and cloud type information



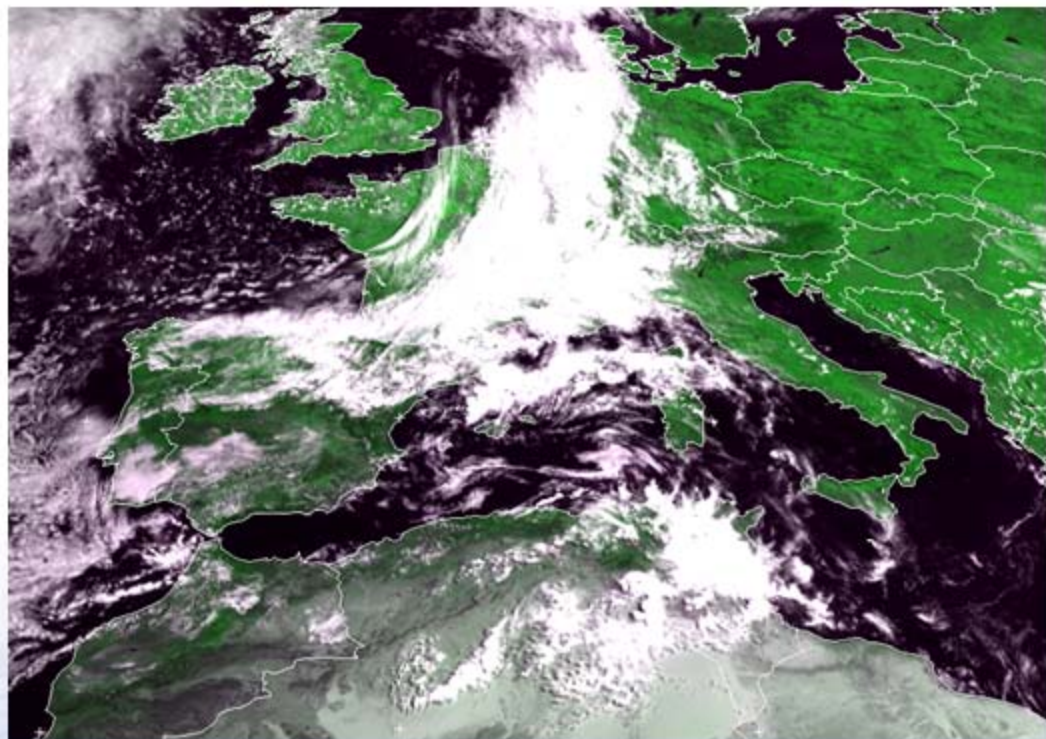
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RGB 1-2-1, 2011-05-31 8:15 UTC Meteosat-9

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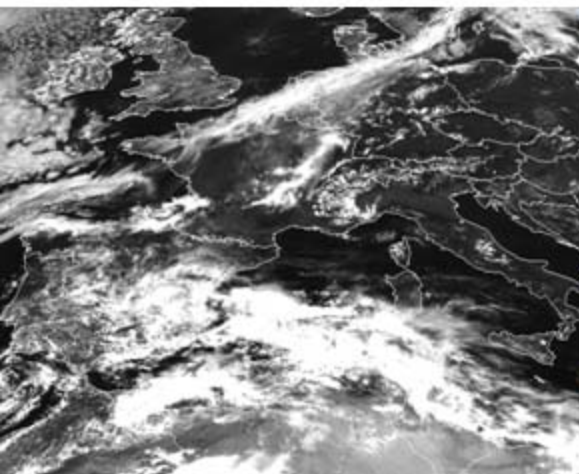
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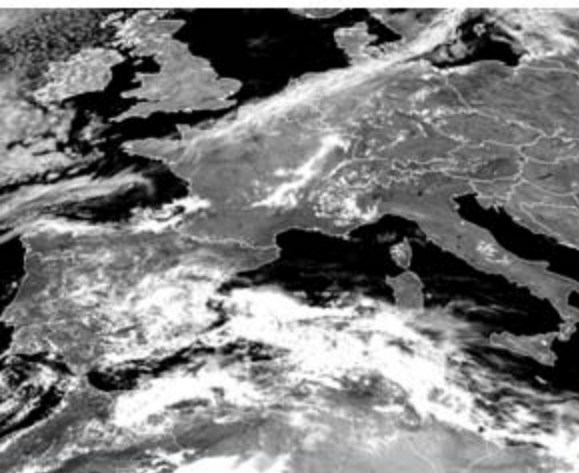
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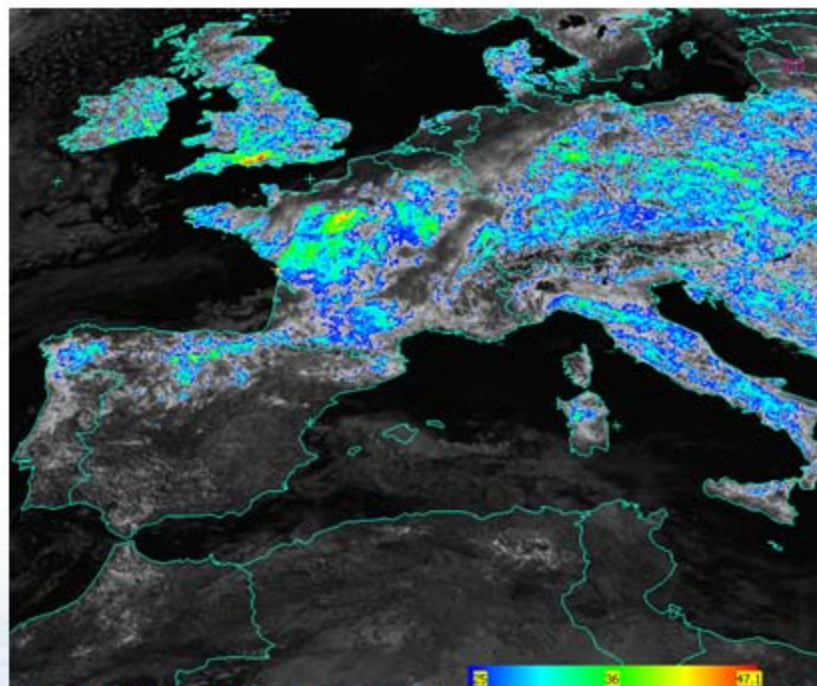
Solar channel differences over land



VIS0.6



VIS0.8



VIS0.8 - VIS0.6 Meteosat 2011-05-19 09:30 UTC

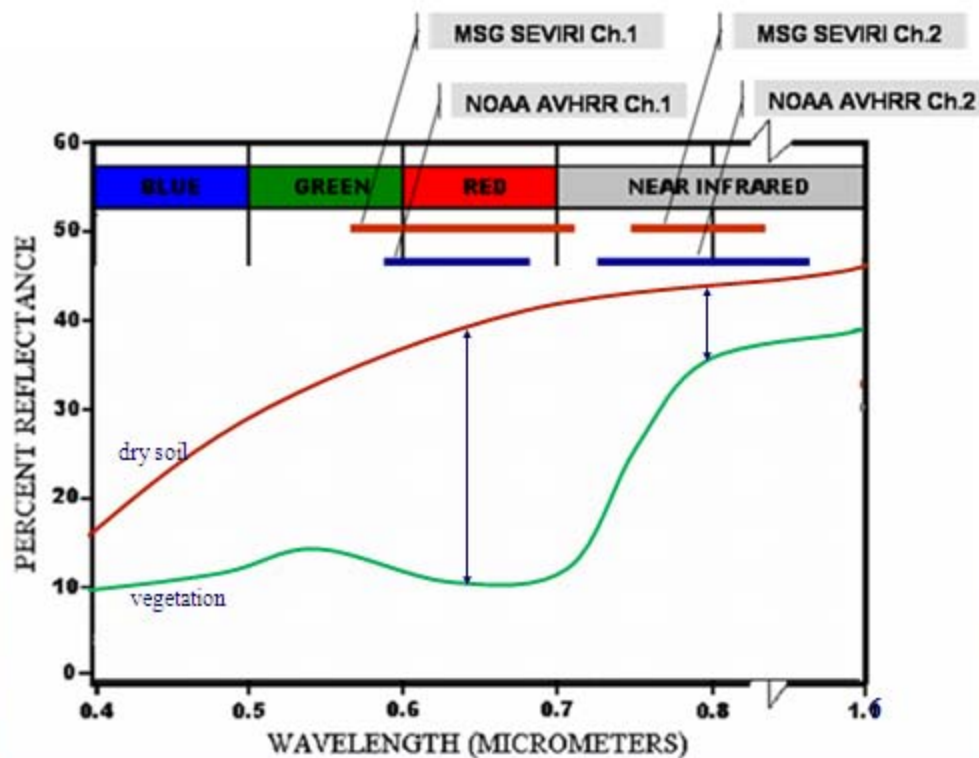
- VIS0.8: higher land surface contribution, especially over vegetated areas
- The difference can be sliced to remove cloud, by restricting to high values (+25% ... +50%)

Pixel reflectivity : scale problem



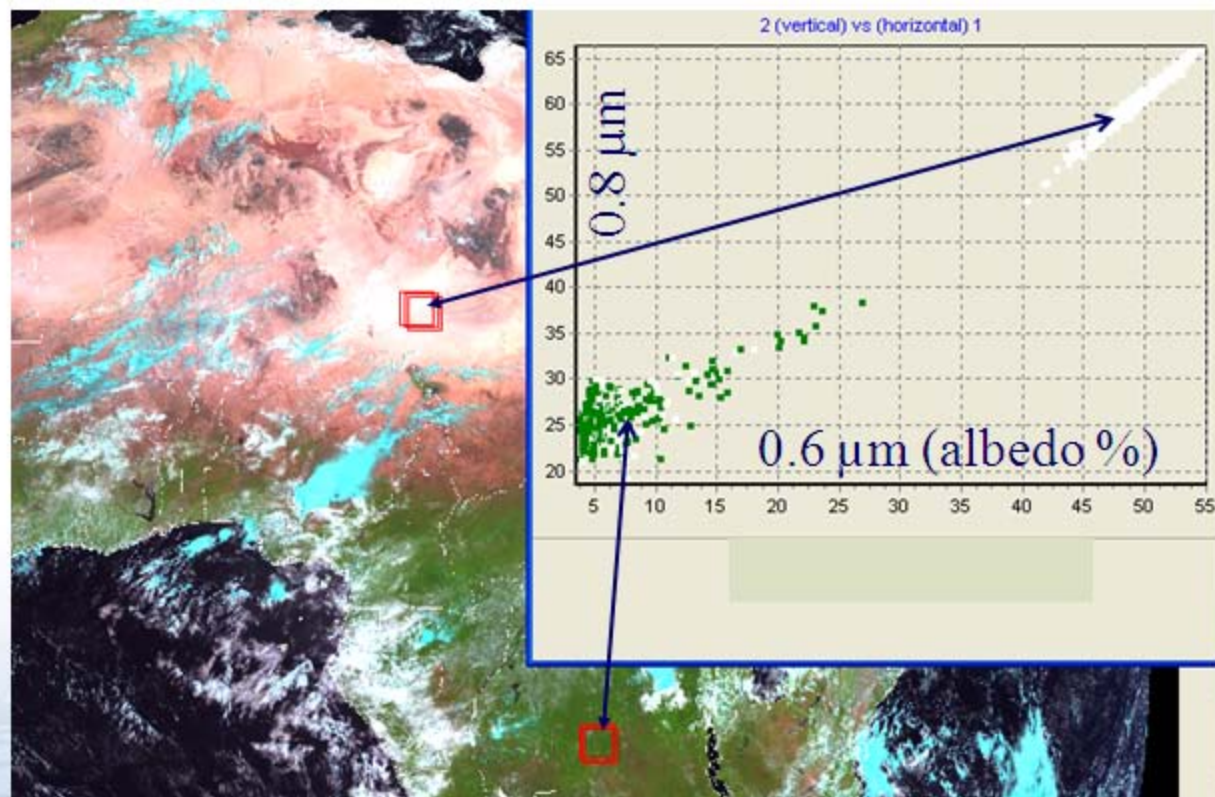
15% difference of albedo differences

Vegetated and dry soils



Desert and tropical forest in the solar channels

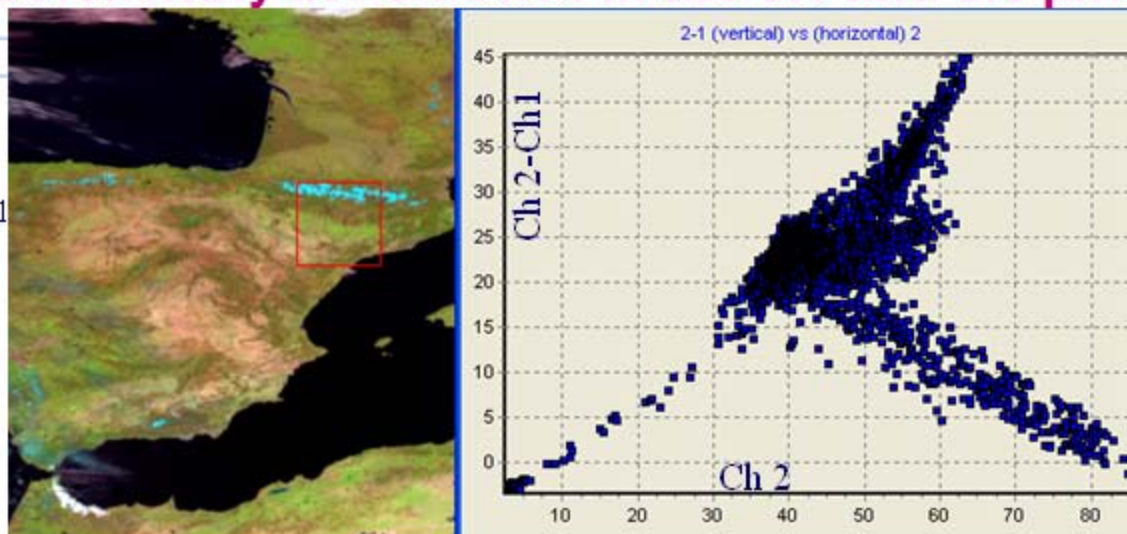
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$$\text{Vegetation index} = (2-1)/(2+1)$$

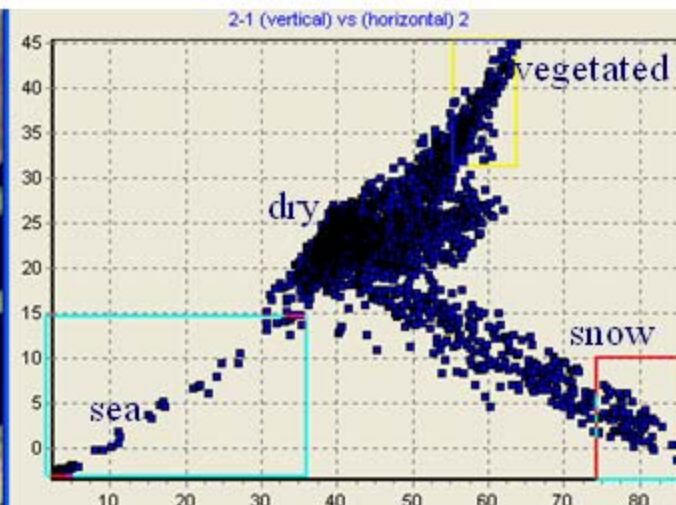
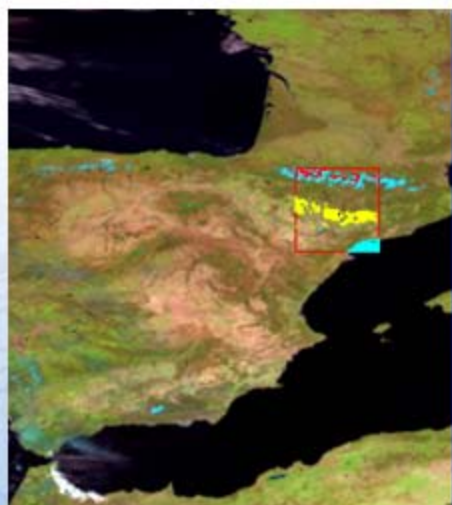
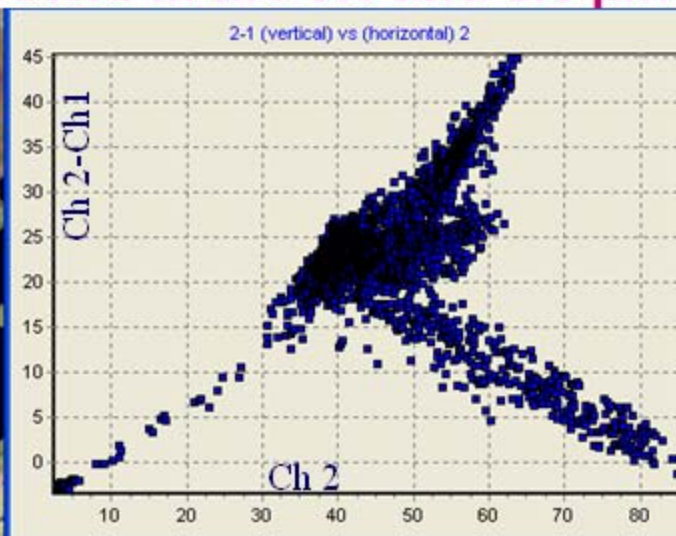
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RGB Natural
colours
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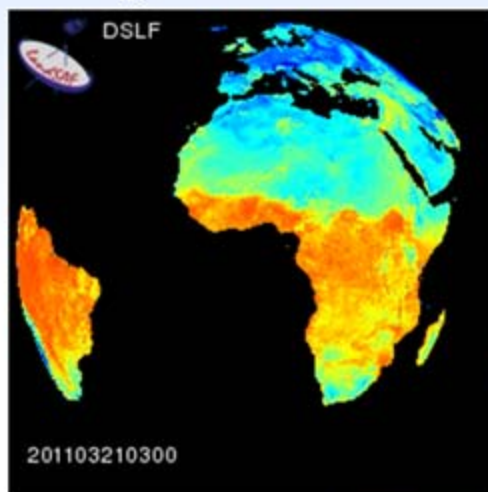
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The scope of Land Surface Analysis Satellite Applications Facility (LSA SAF) is to increase benefit from EUMETSAT Satellite (MSG and EPS) data related to:

- Land
- Land-Atmosphere interaction
- Biospheric Applications

The LSA SAF performs:

- R&D Programs
- Operational Activities
- Generation
- Archiving
- Dissemination



[See colour legends...](#)

of land surface related products.

Latest News:

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Product Development Status:

MSG/SEVIRI based products

Wild Fires

Fire Radiative Power - PIXEL

Fire Radiative Power - GRID

Vegetation Parameters

Fraction of Vegetation Cover

Leaf Area Index

Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetic Active Radiation

Snow Cover

Snow Cover (daily)

Snow Cover (15 mins)

Other

Bi-Directional Reflectance Factor

Land Surface Emissivity

Albedo

Surface Albedo

MSG Ten Day Surface Albedo

Land Surface Temperature

Land Surface Temperature (15 mins)

Down-welling Surface Fluxes

Down-welling Surface Short-wave Radiation Flux

Down-welling Surface Long-wave Radiation Flux

Daily Downward Surface Shortwave Flux

Daily Downward Surface Longwave Flux

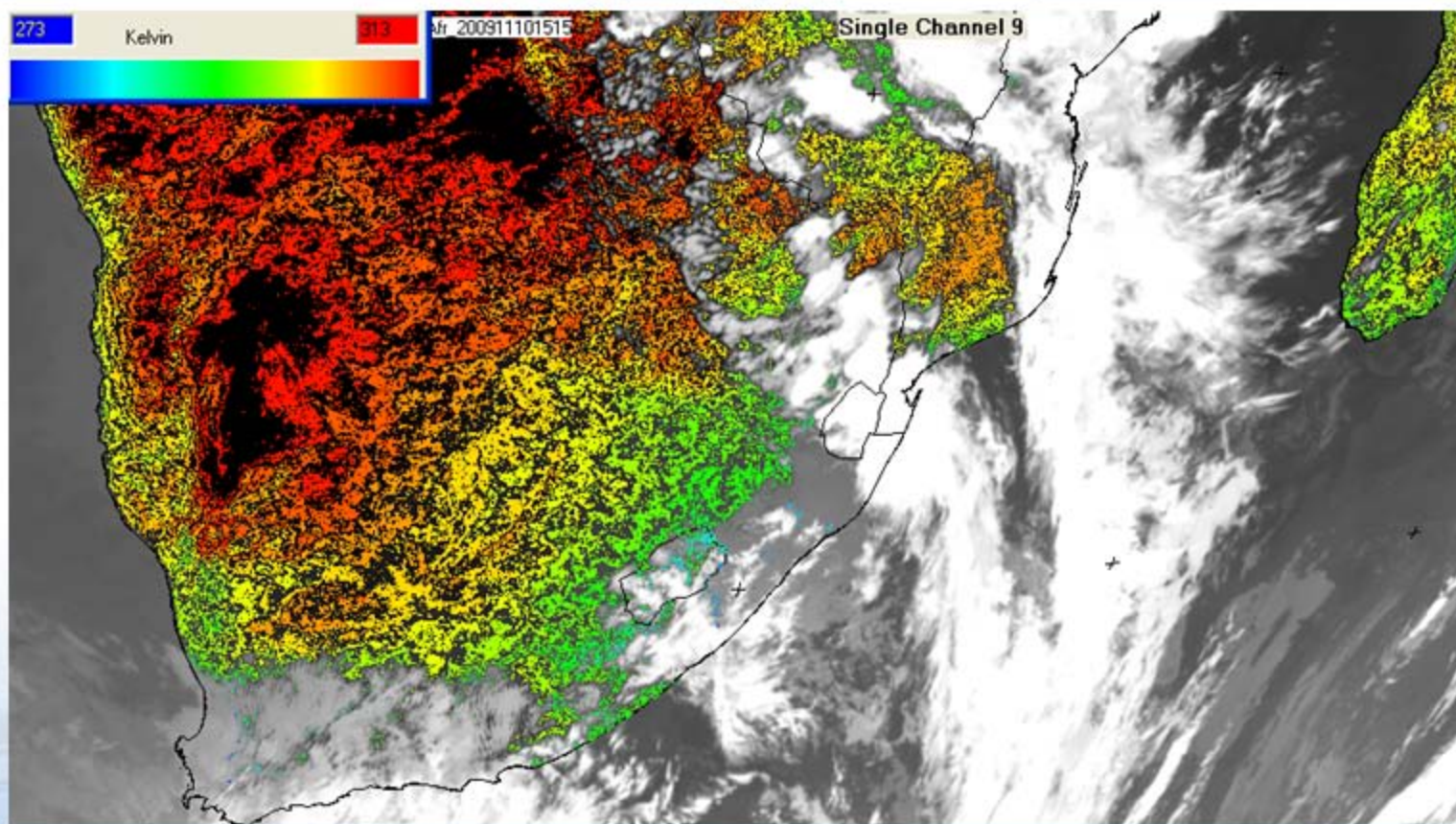
Evapotranspiration

Evapotranspiration (30 mins)

Daily Evapotranspiration

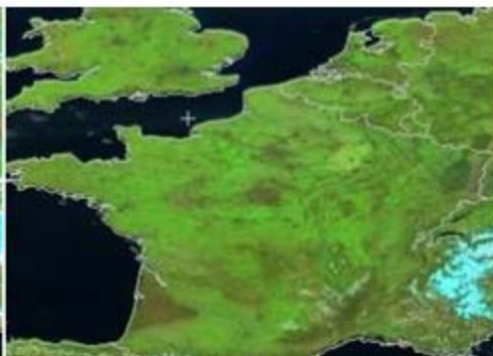
Land SAF "LST" product

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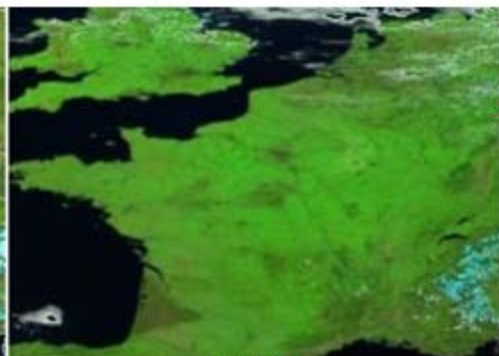




France, 10March



17April



24May



Germany, 23 March



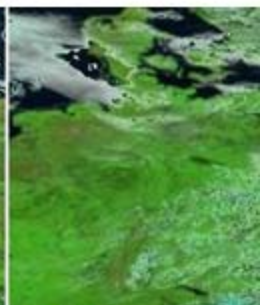
8April



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28April



24May

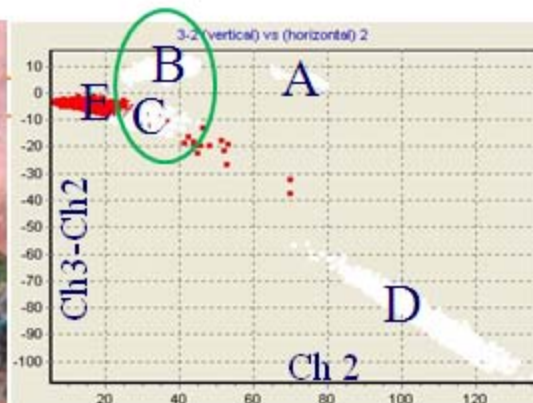
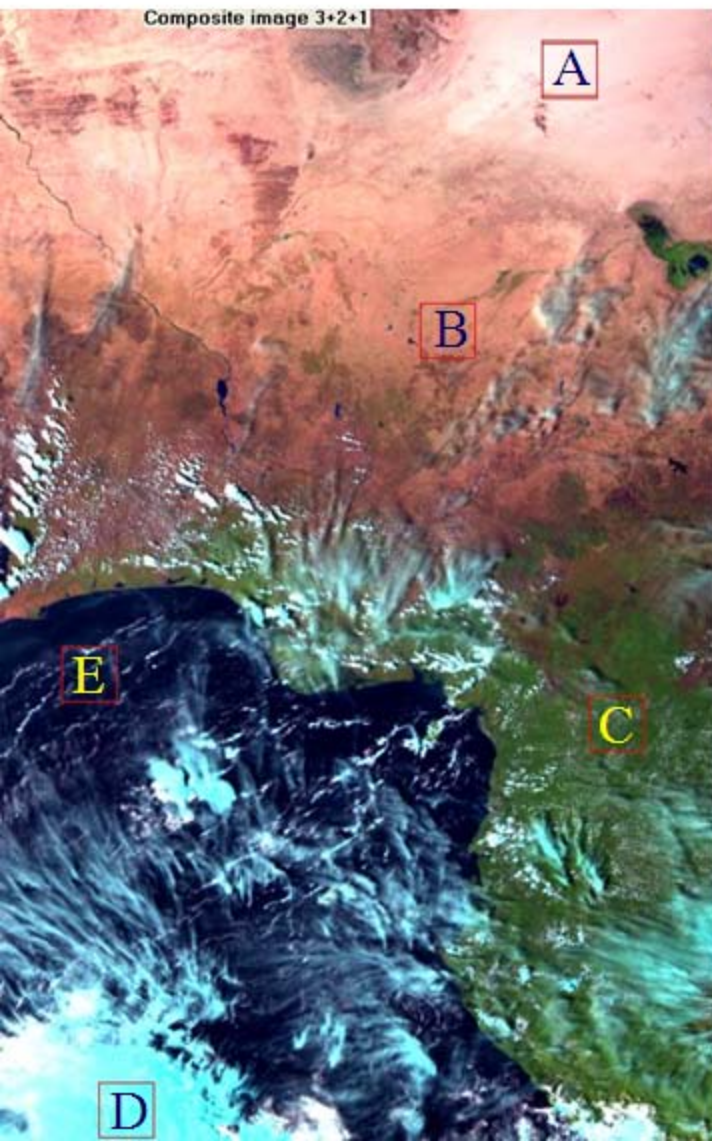


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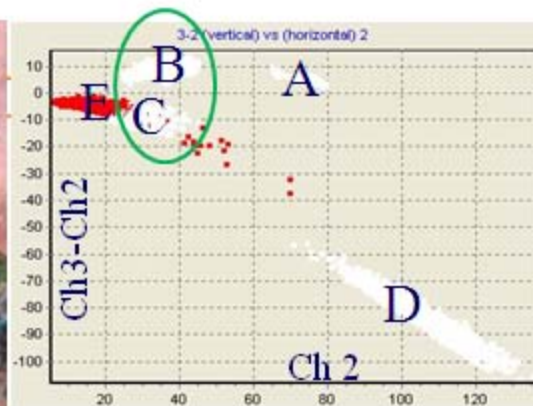
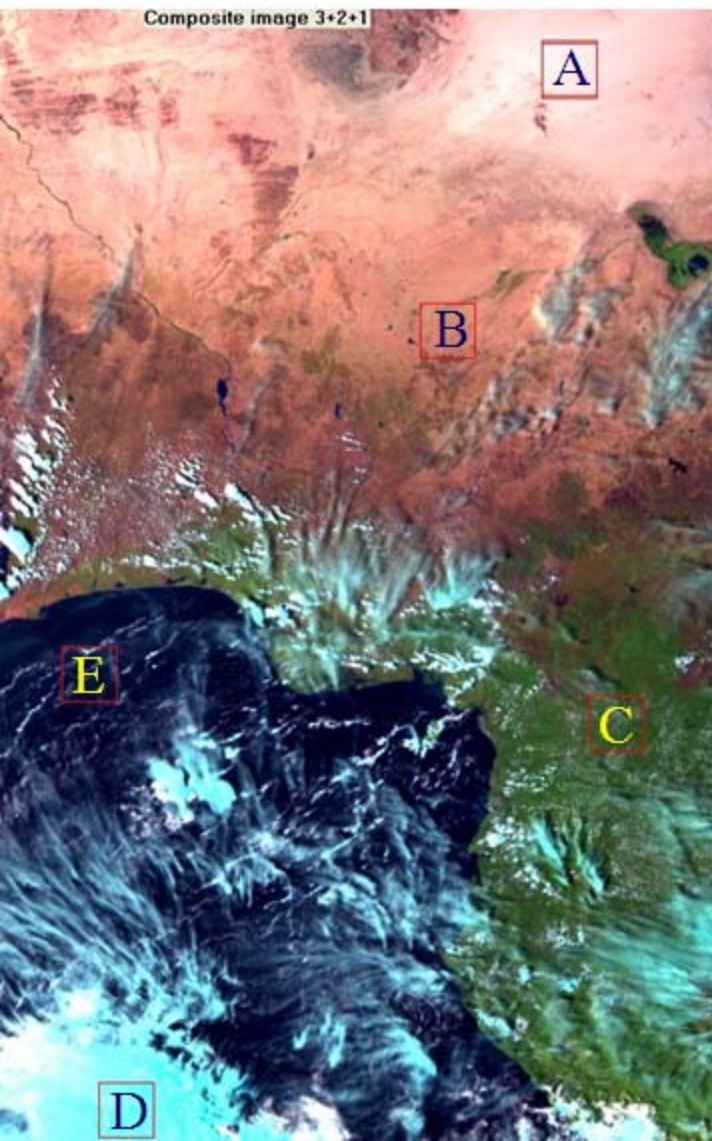
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Composite image 3+2+1

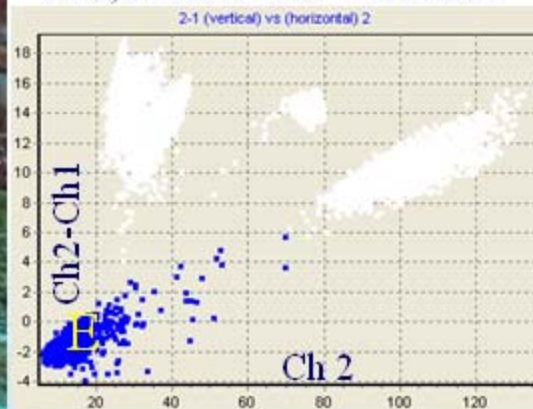


1.6 μ m reflects better than 0.8 μ m on dry ground,
but worse in vegetated areas

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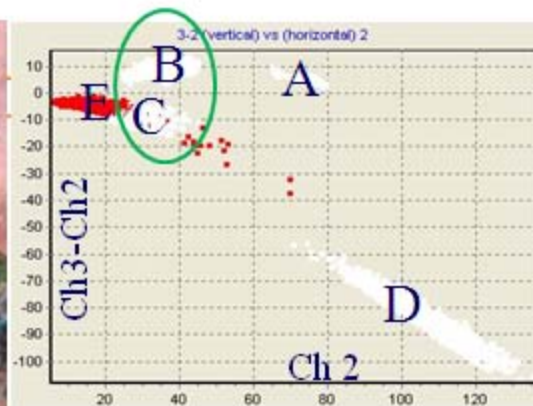
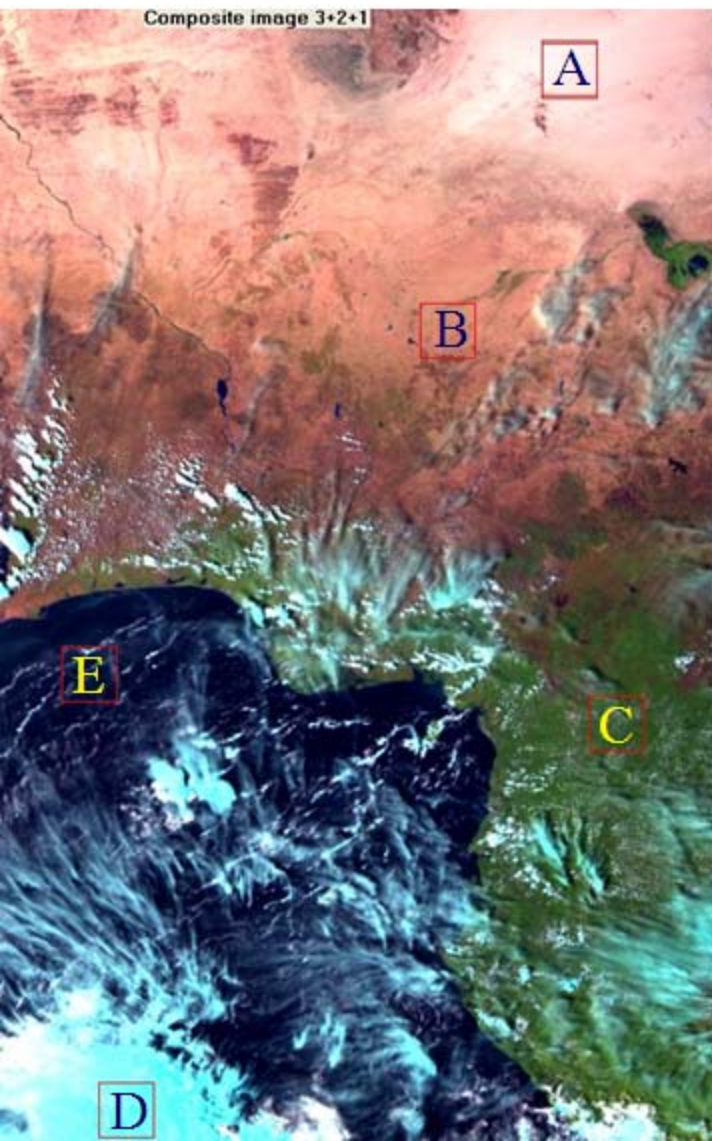


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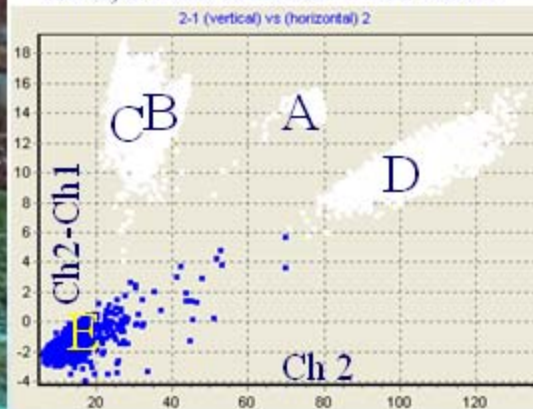


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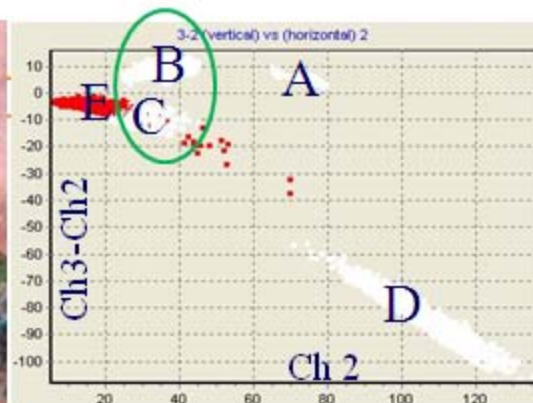
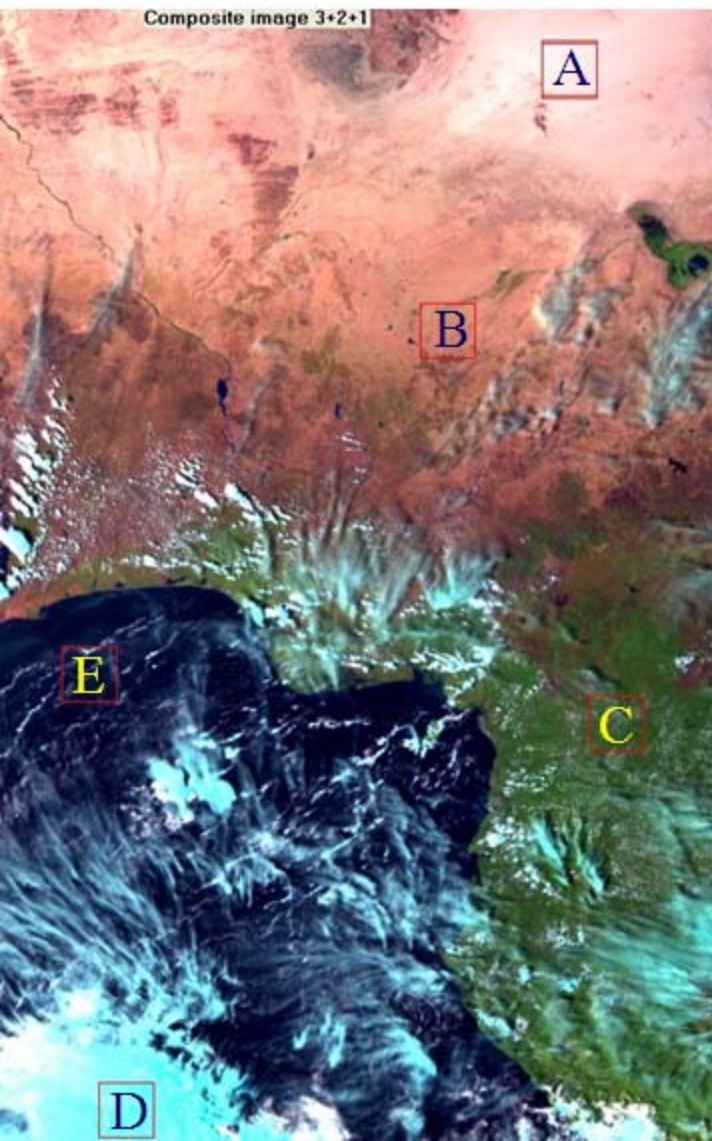


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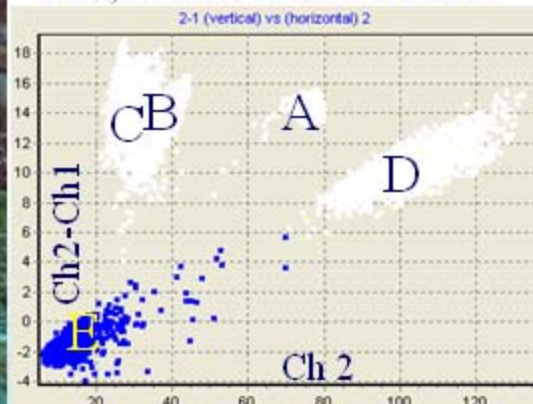


$$\text{Index } (3-2)/(3+2)$$

$$B \text{ (dry)} = 12\%$$

$$C \text{ (vegetated)} = -20\%$$

Now, 2-1 in vertical. Your turn!



$$\text{Index } (2-1)/(2+1)$$

$$B \text{ (dry)} = 25\%$$

$$C \text{ (vegetated)} = 40\%$$

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Which kind of soil or cloud is at the arrow point?

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Fog

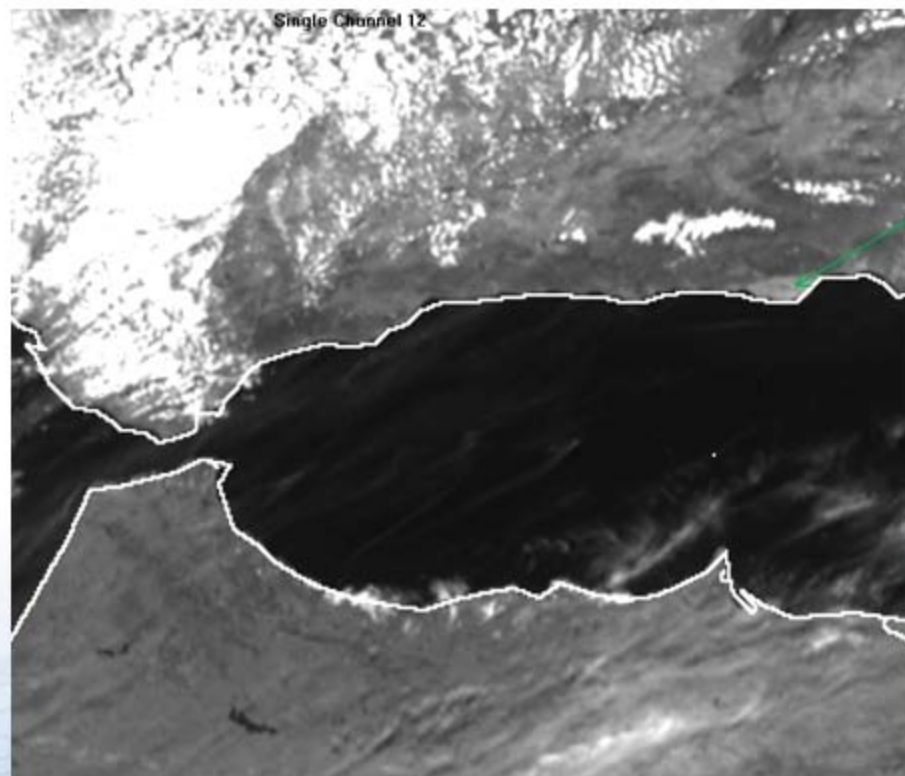
Sand

Glass

Cirrus

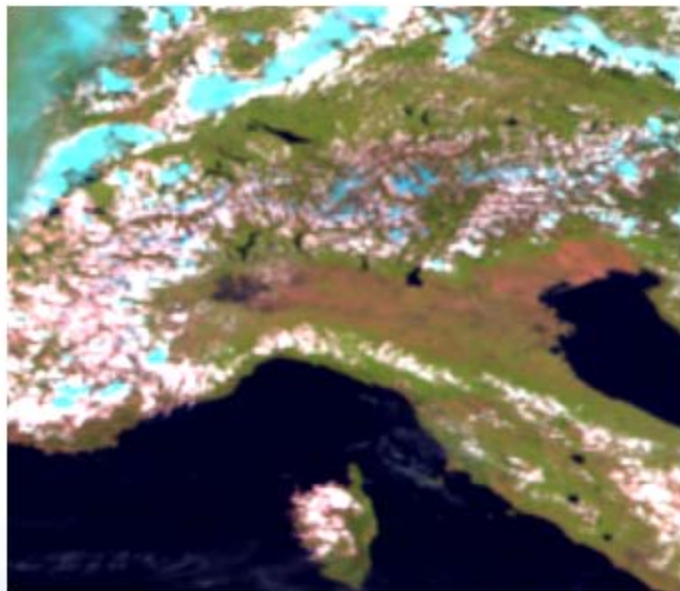
Smoke

Litter

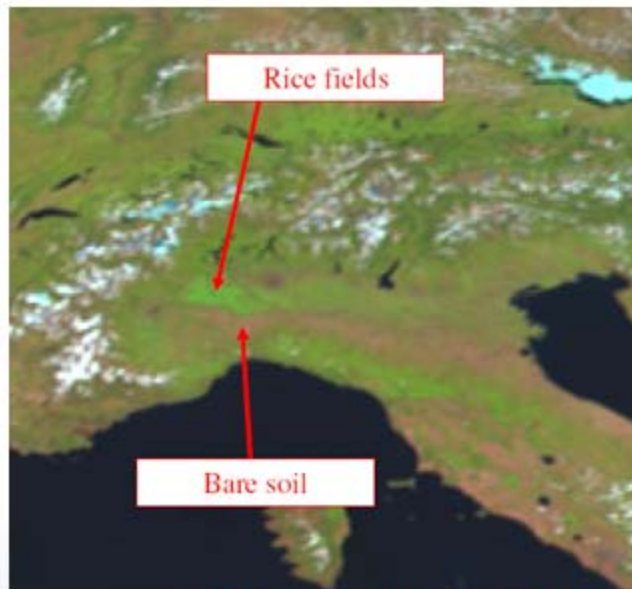


Meteosat HRV 2010-May-08 12:00

Vegetation monitoring



May 2011 Rice fields flooded



Aug 2003 Meteosat Natural RGB

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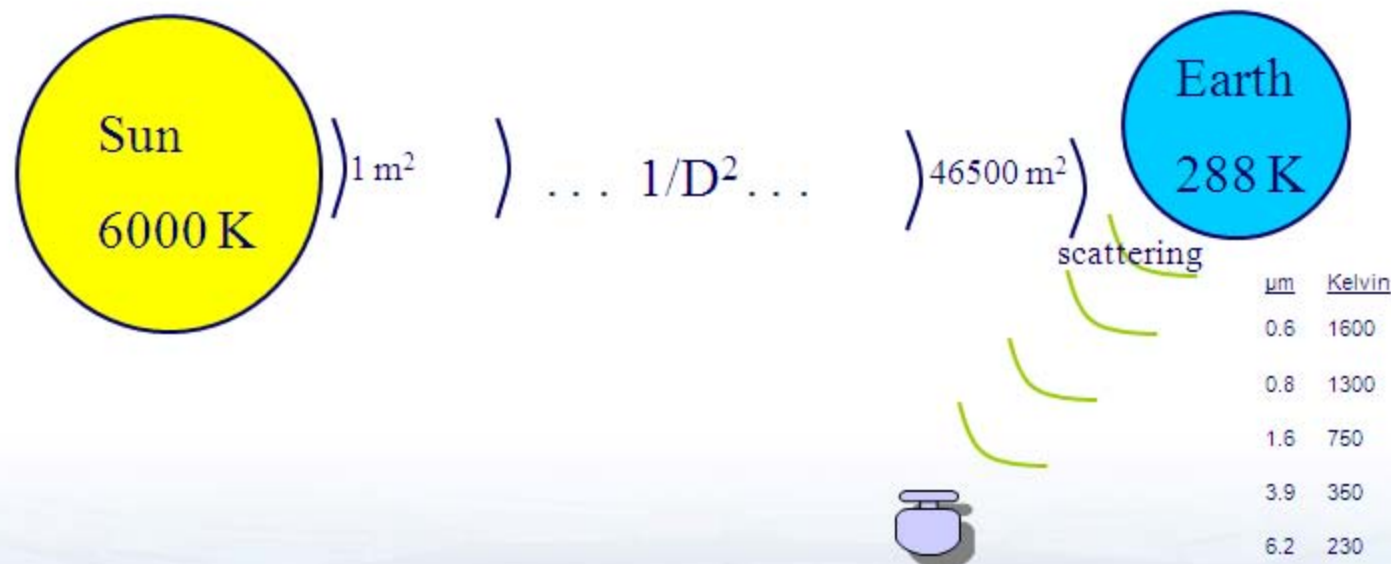
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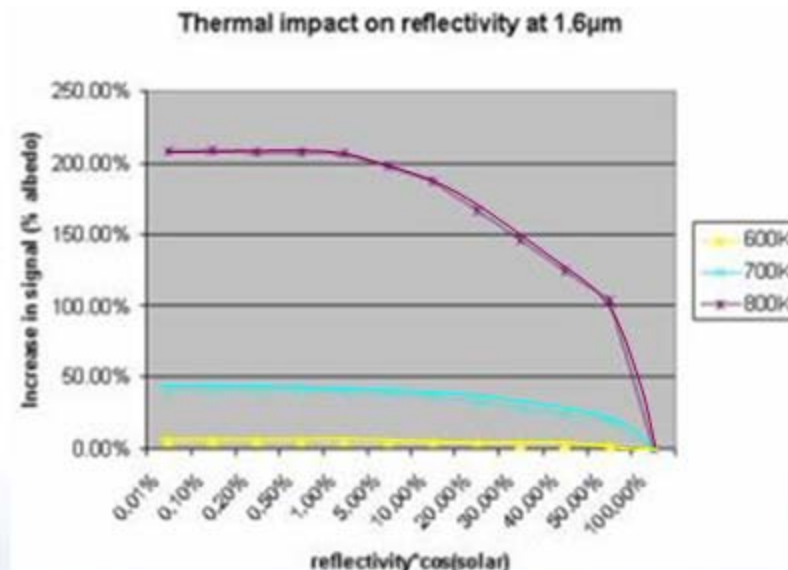
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Astronomical factor 46500 (sun apparent size)



- This factor explains the brightness difference between sun and moon (together with moon albedo), or between sun and bright cloud.
- As radiation expands in space, it gets the energy density of black bodies at much lower temperatures than 6000 K
- The solar radiation *reflected by the Earth* is equivalent of an *emission* at lower temperature. Earth radiation competes with the sun at $3.9 \mu\text{m}$

Emission sources in the solar channels !



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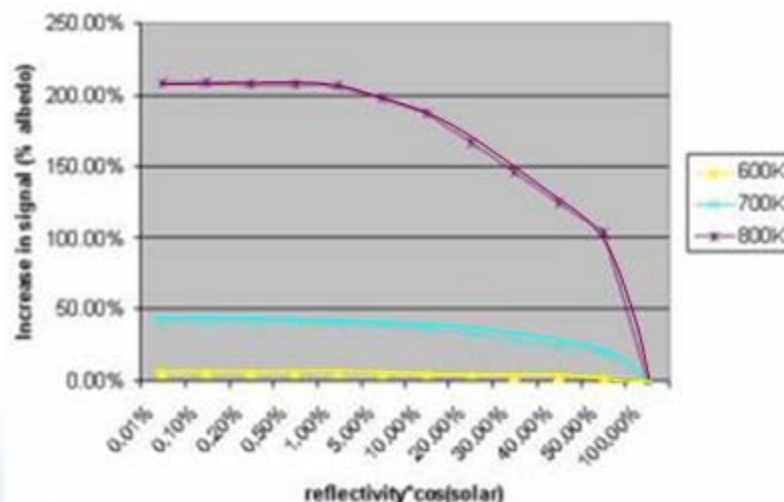
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Karthala, Met-8, 29 May 2006, 12:15 UTC

Natural colours RGB 1.6 μ m 0.8 μ m 0.6 μ m

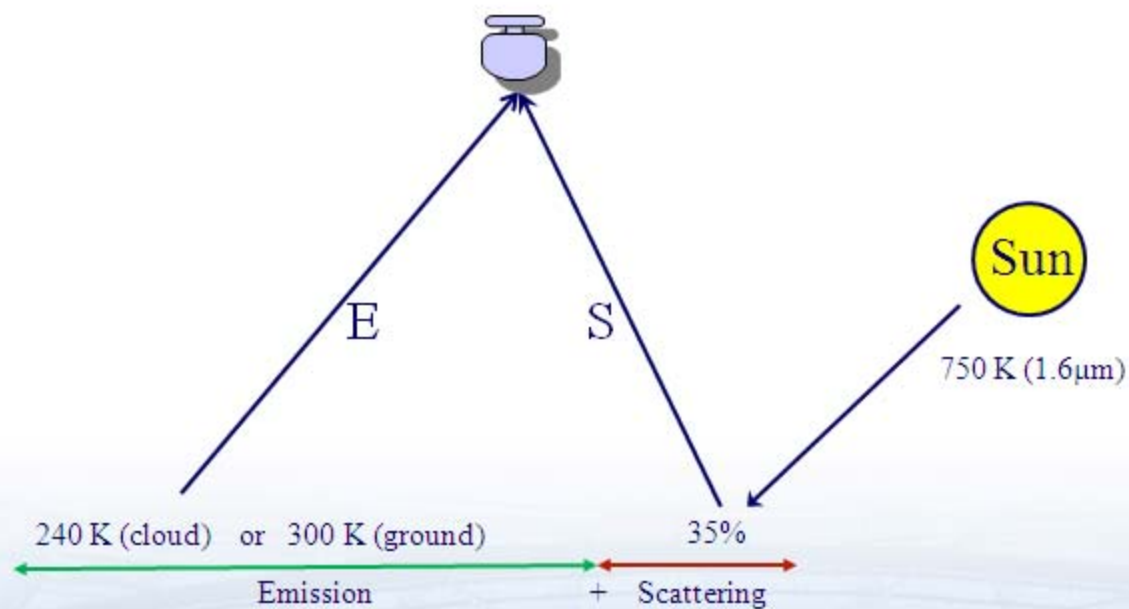


Thermal impact on reflectivity at 1.6 μ m



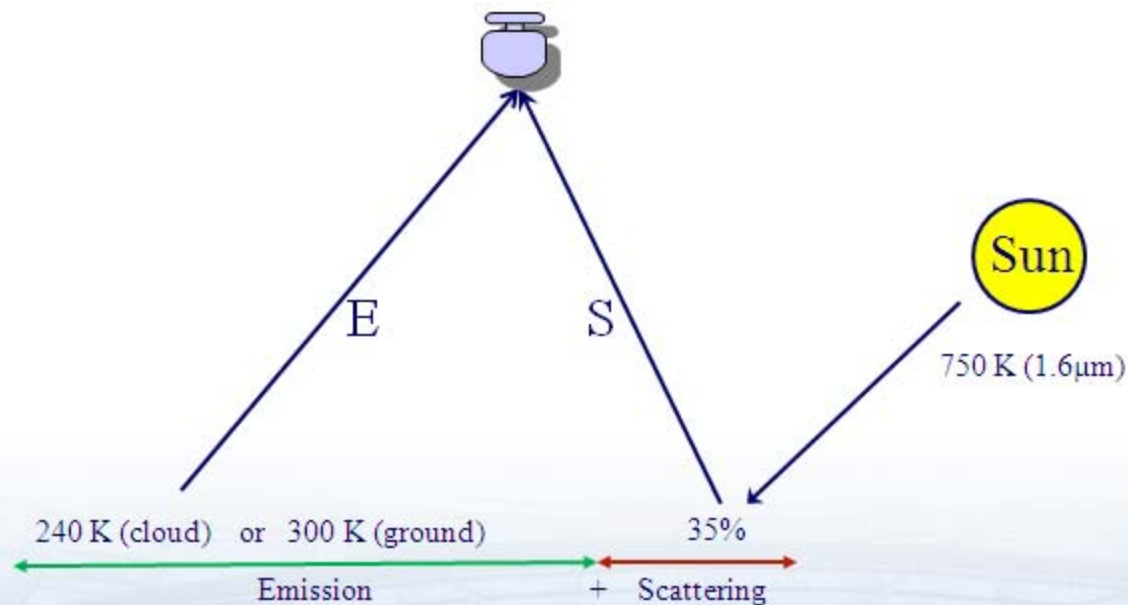
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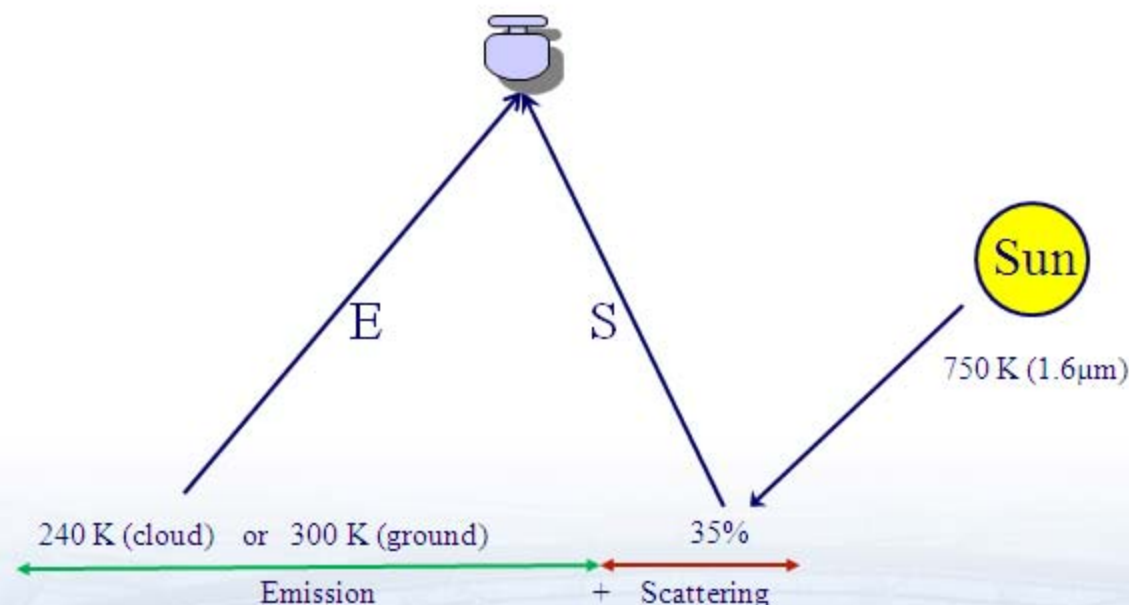
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$S/E > 10^7$ due to Planck's strong dependence on temperature for scene T (kelvin) $\ll 14400/\lambda$ (μm)

Cloud in the solar channels

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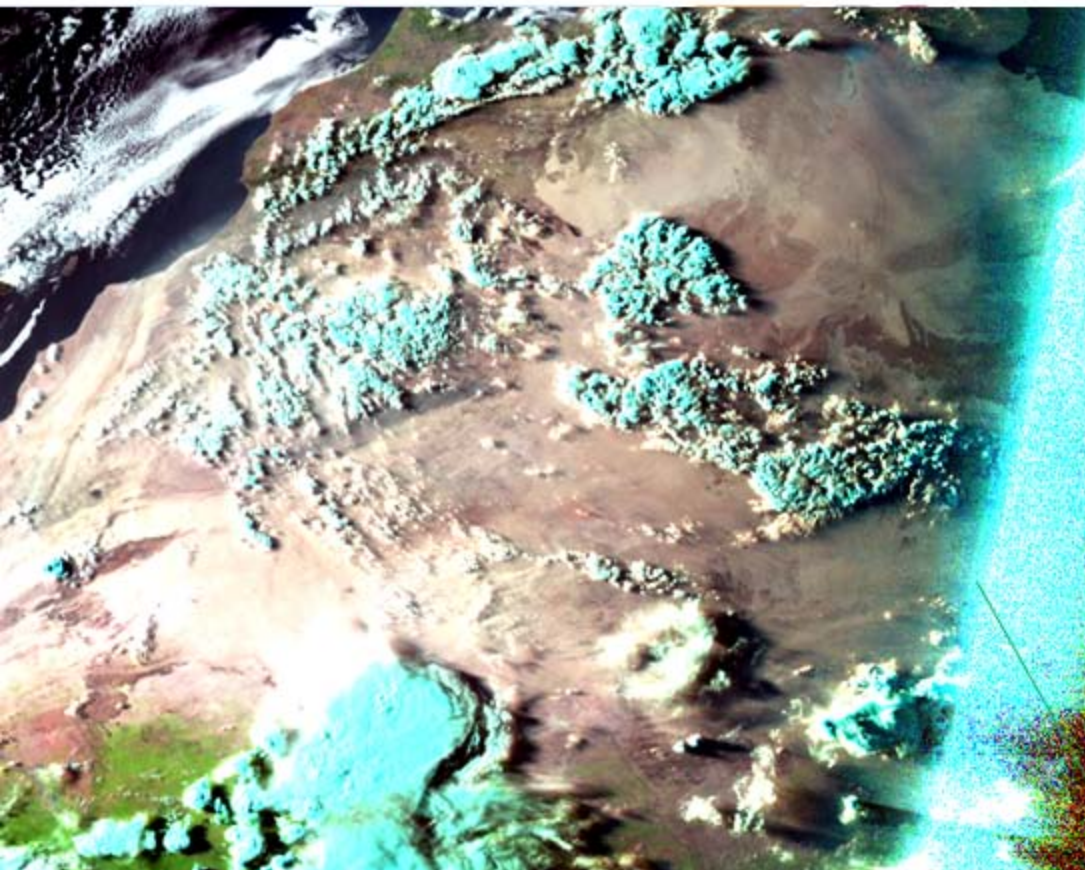
ch3 ch2 ch1 composite

1. Dry
2. Vegetation
3. Thin cloud above vegetation
4. Thick cloud

- Scene “3” is a weighted average of scenes “2” and “4” with the cloud fraction
- $0.8\mu\text{m}$ is the most reflected radiation by cloud or vegetation, not by dry grounds ($1.6\mu\text{m}$)
- Ice cloud is less $1.6\mu\text{m}$ reflective than liquid cloud

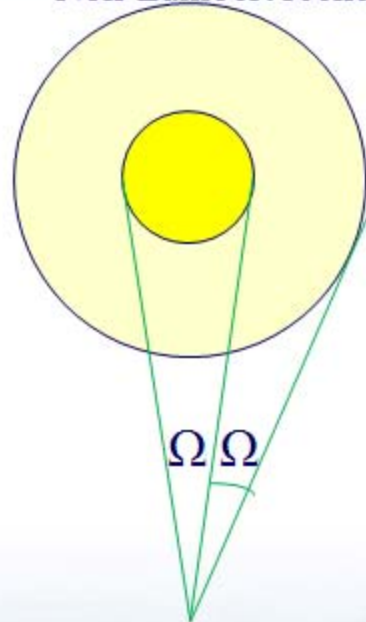


Lambert's approximation



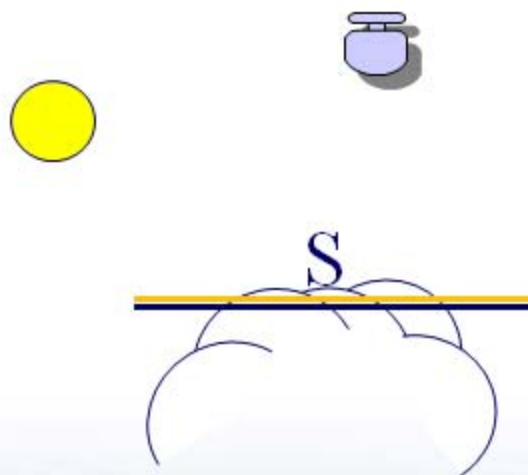
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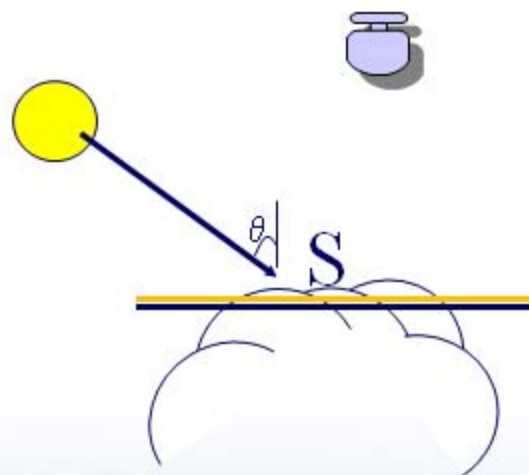
Non-Lambert scene



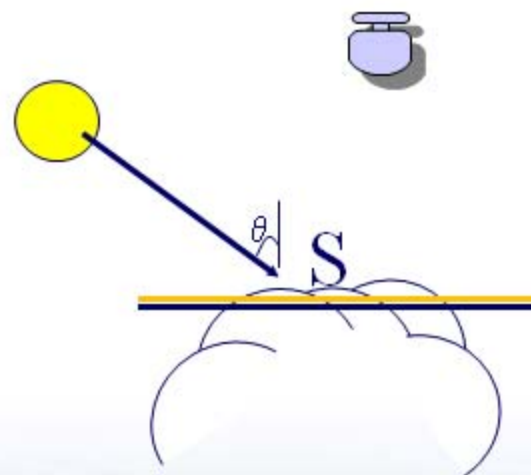
Day-night boundary

- Lambert: same brightness close and far from the boundary of a spherical target
- Lambert examples: rough ocean surfaces or snow, non-directional reflection
- Non Lambert: desert surfaces or sun glint on oceans, directional reflection

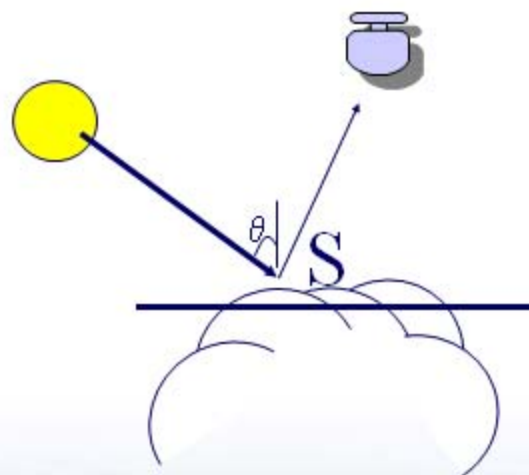




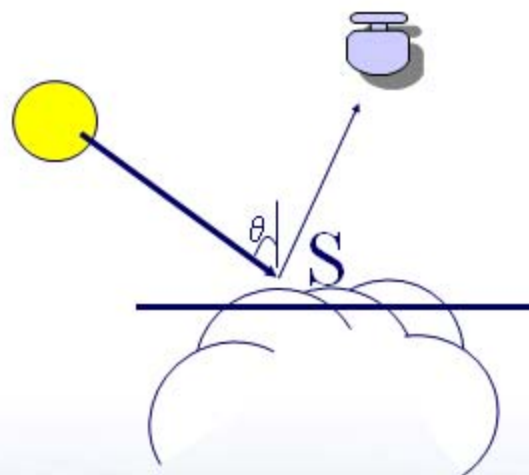
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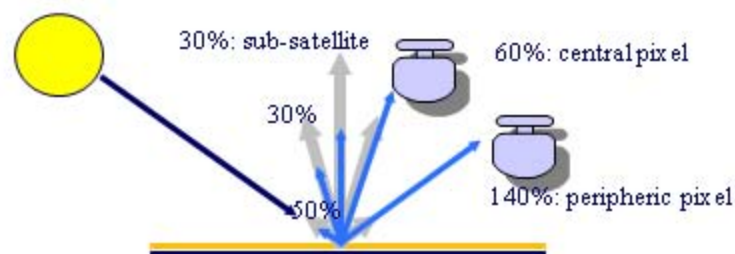
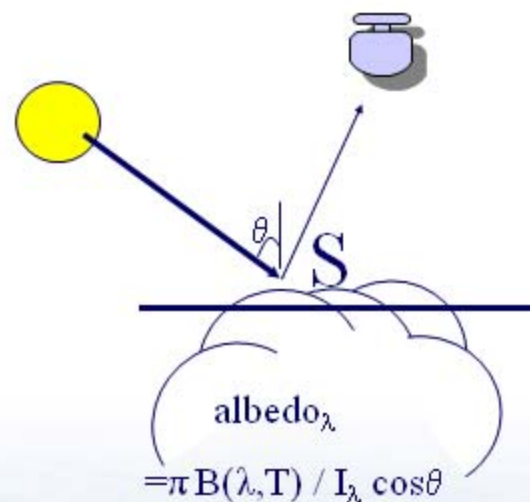
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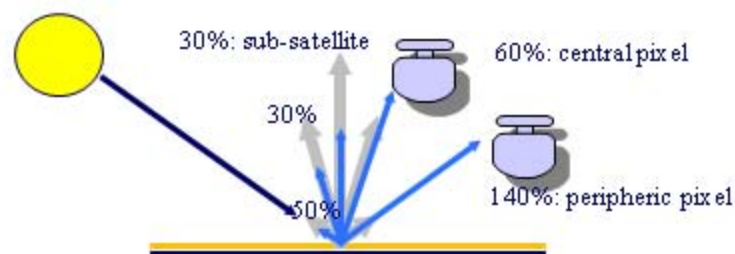
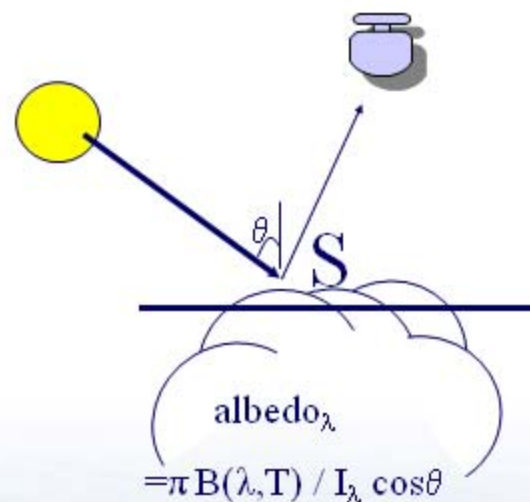
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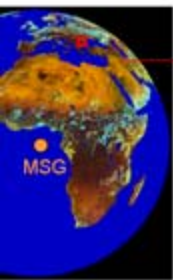
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Does albedo depend on illumination θ ?

YES, as shown by the formula

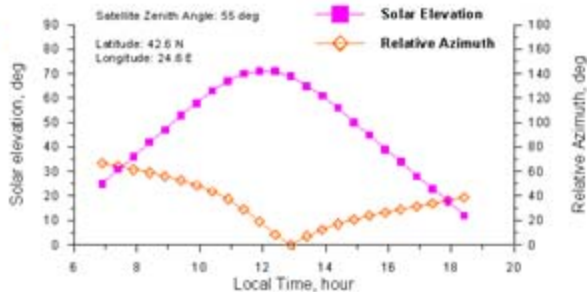
NO, it is a surface characteristic

NDVI dependent on sun elevation



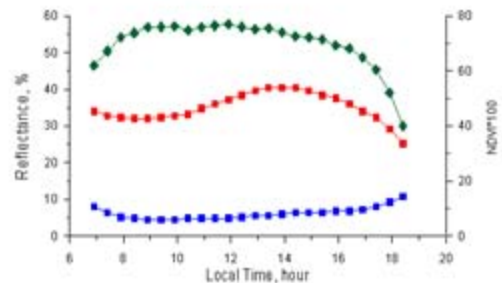
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Solar elevation and relative azimuth



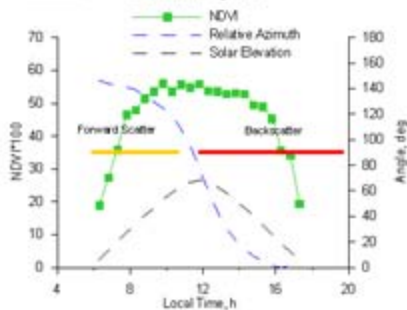
- Ch. 1 Reflectance (visible)
- Ch. 2 Reflectance (near IR)
- ◆ NDVI

Reflectance and NDVI



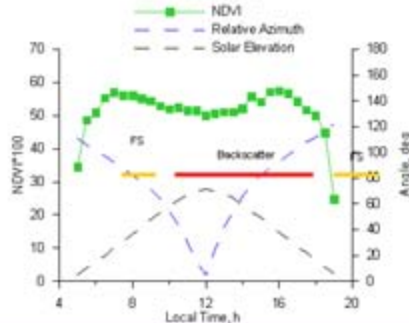
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Year: 2007, Day: 302
Location: 6.7°N, 22.7°E
Satellite view angle: 20°



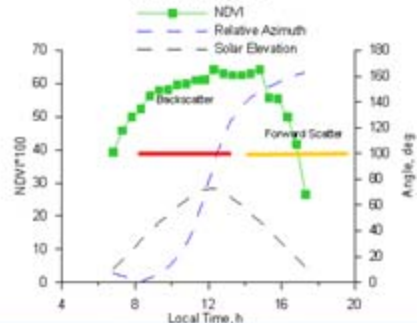
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Year: 2007, Day: 183
Location: 42.7°N, 3.6°W
Satellite view angle: 40°



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Year: 2007, Day: 78
Location: 16.2°S, 51.6°W
Satellite view angle: 60°

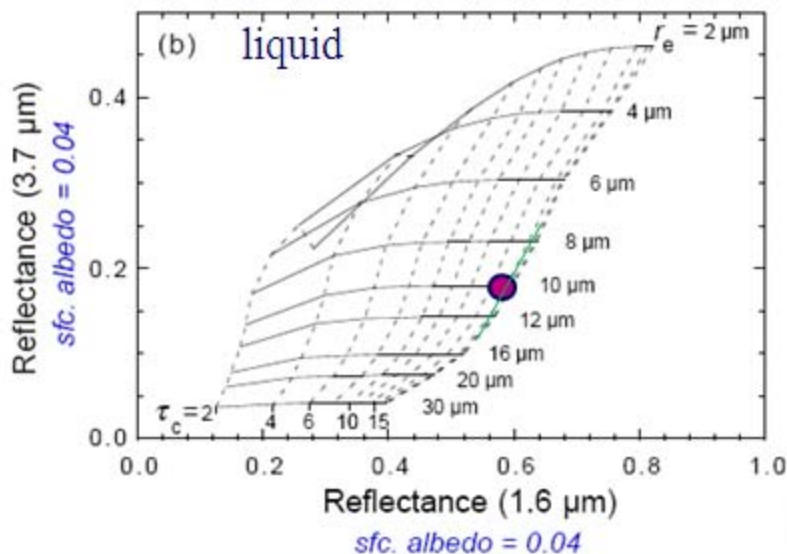
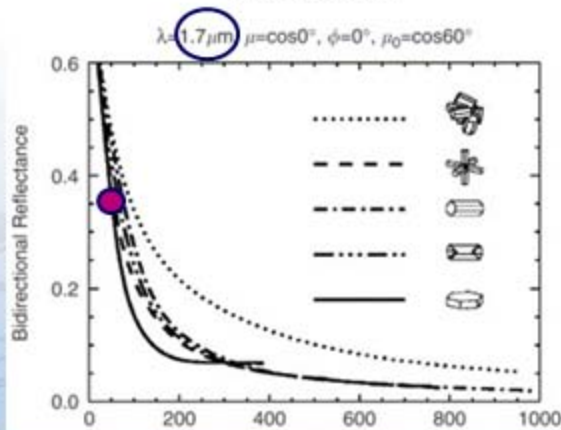
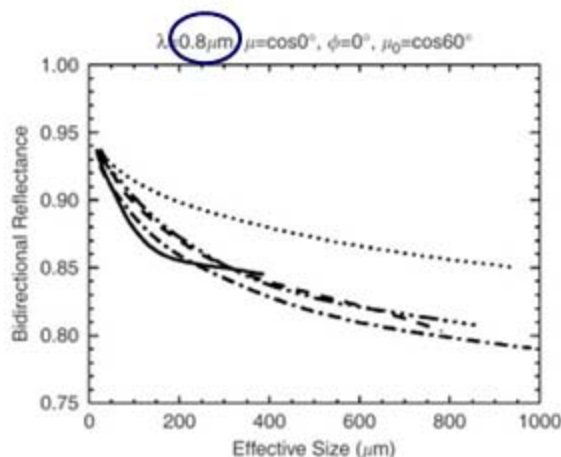


Ertürk, Barbosa (2004)



For land locations, there is almost forward-backward symmetry

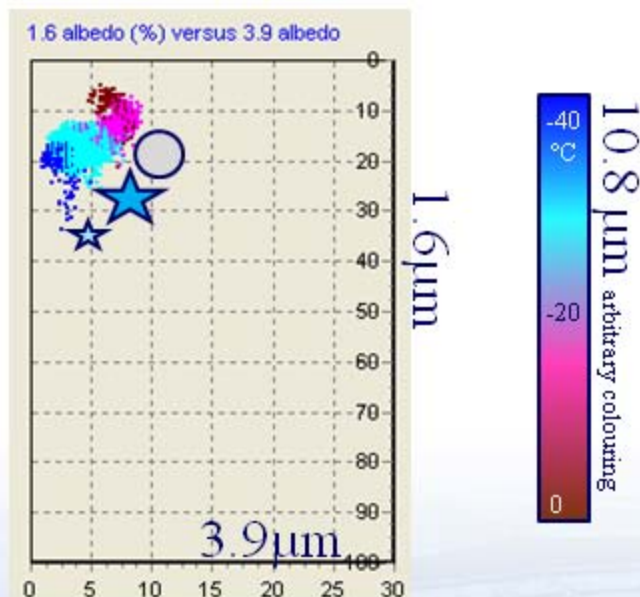
Phase and size impact on 1.6 μm reflectivity



- **Phase:** for the same water content, ice crystal clouds are less 1.6 μm -reflective than water droplet clouds (35% and 60% respectively)

- **Size:** 3.9 μm (Mie region) is most sensitive to crystals' or droplets' size. Dependence is lower at 1.6 μm and much weaker at 0.8 μm

Towards ice and size vertical profiles



The pure ice particles (blue) turn bigger and more liquid at lower levels (cyan and magenta):

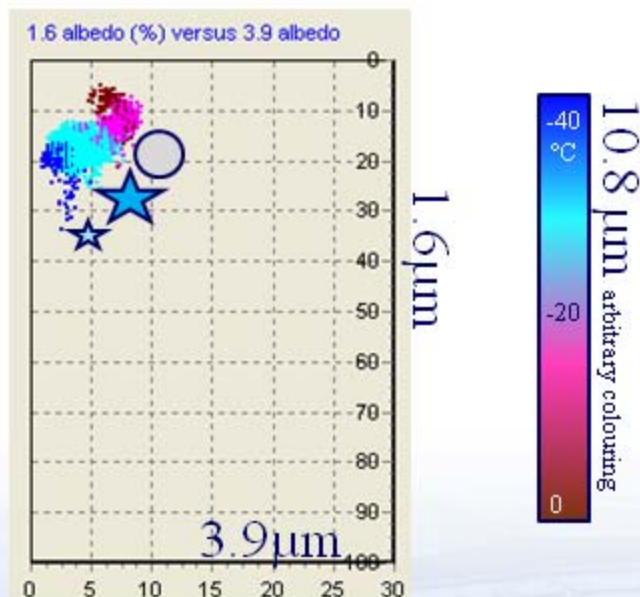
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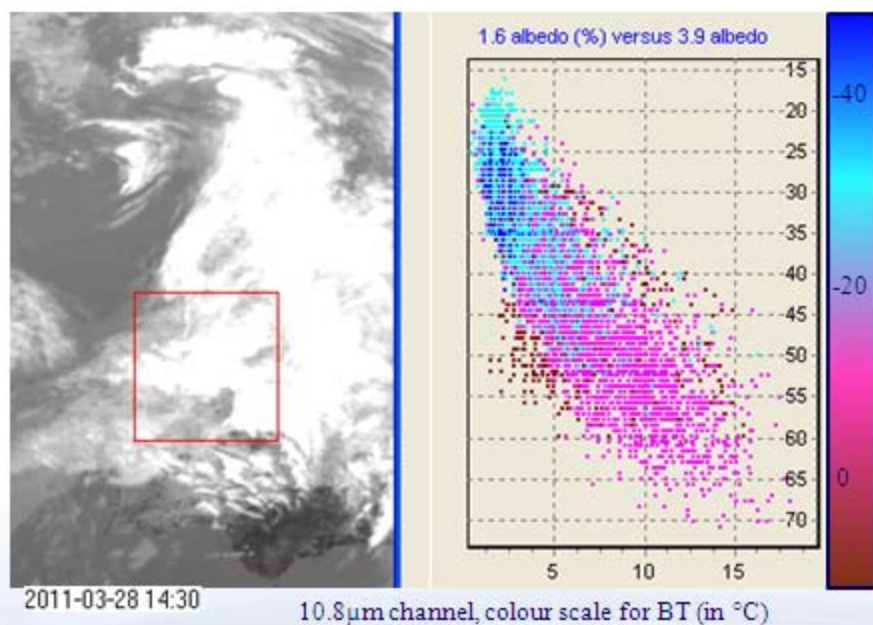
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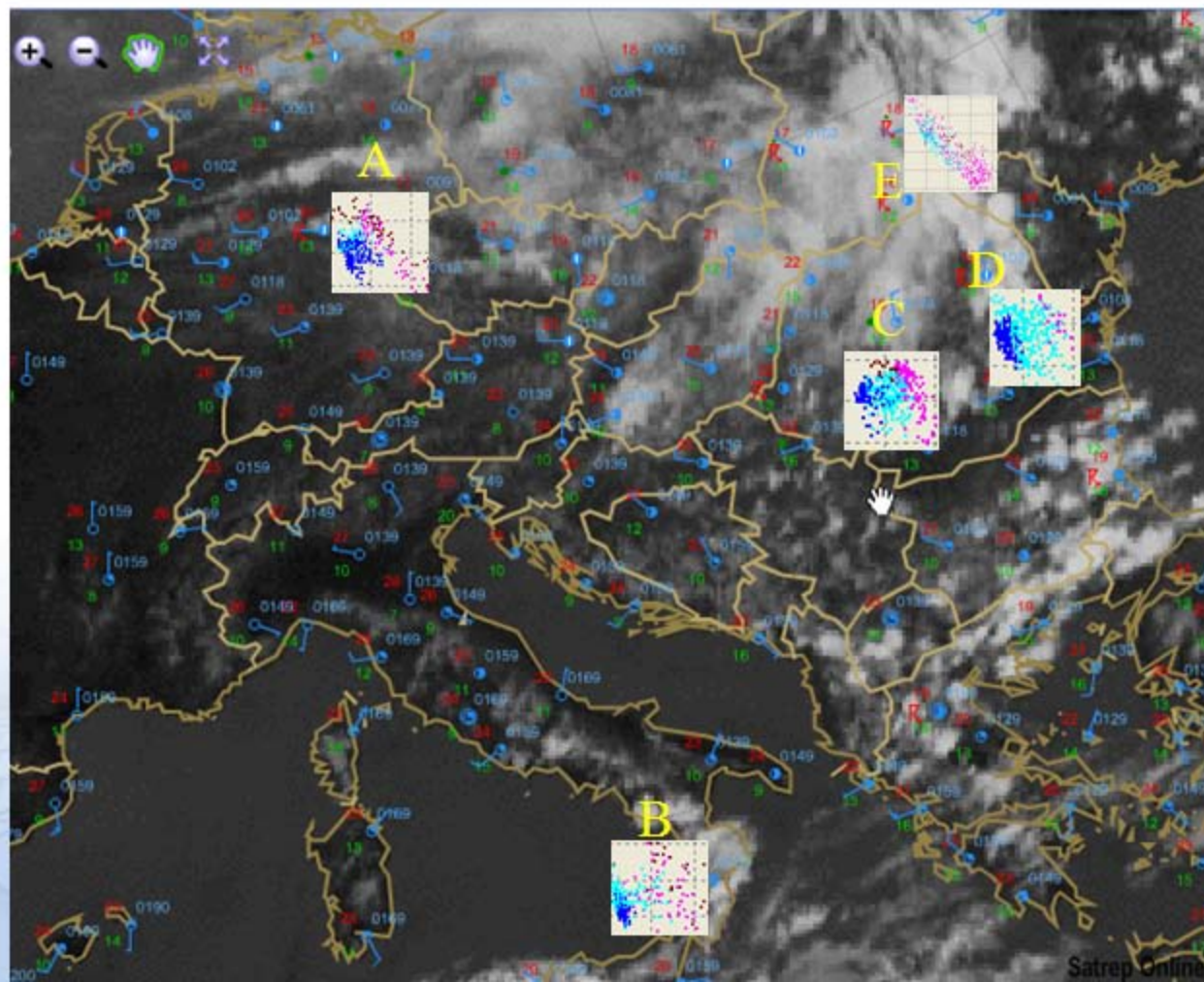


- **Dissolving**-cloud albedos at 1.6 μ m and 3.9 μ m show a higher correlation
- The cold ice cloud tops show less variation in the 3.9-albedo
- The liquid tops vary faster in 3.9-albedo than in 1.6-albedo
- 1.6 is ice-size sensitive, 3.9 is droplet-size sensitive

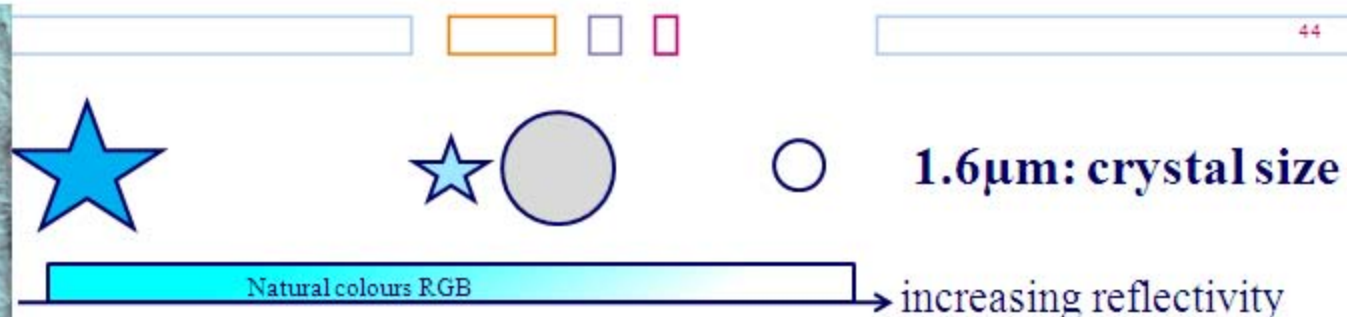
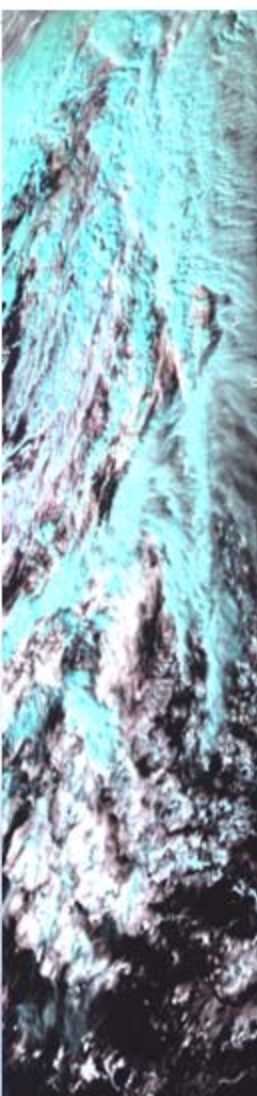
[1.6 μ m versus 3.9 μ m] reflectance technique (convection)

24 May 2010: 1200UTC

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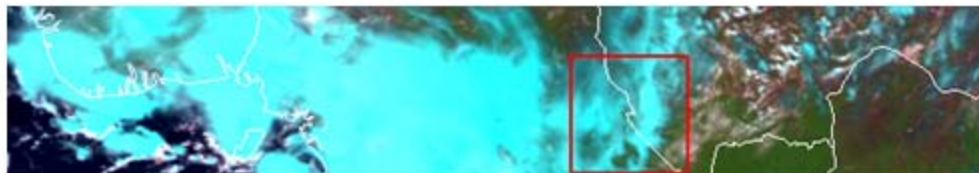
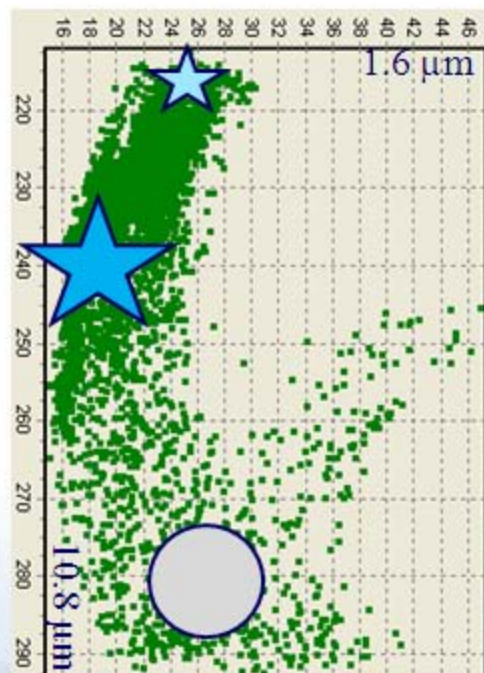


NIR1.6 reflectivity



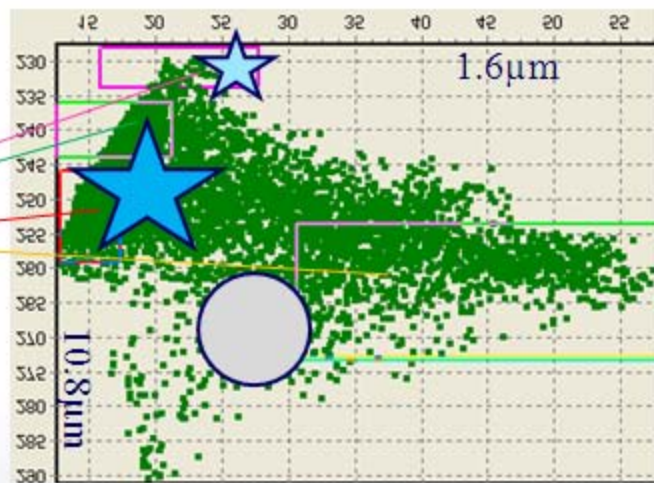
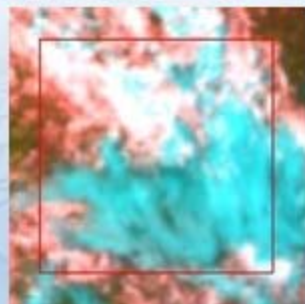
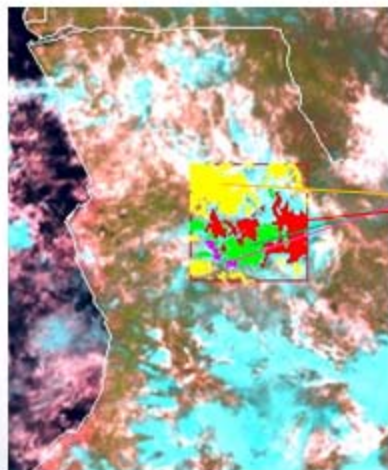
←Cyan colour in the natural RGB marks the presence of ice crystals, but is NOT an indicator of CONVECTIVE severity, related to small crystals.

Cyan is more for areas of probable STRATIFORM precipitation



Thin cloud increases the reflected signal for non-reflective grounds

Classifying ice cloud



Super cooled water droplets

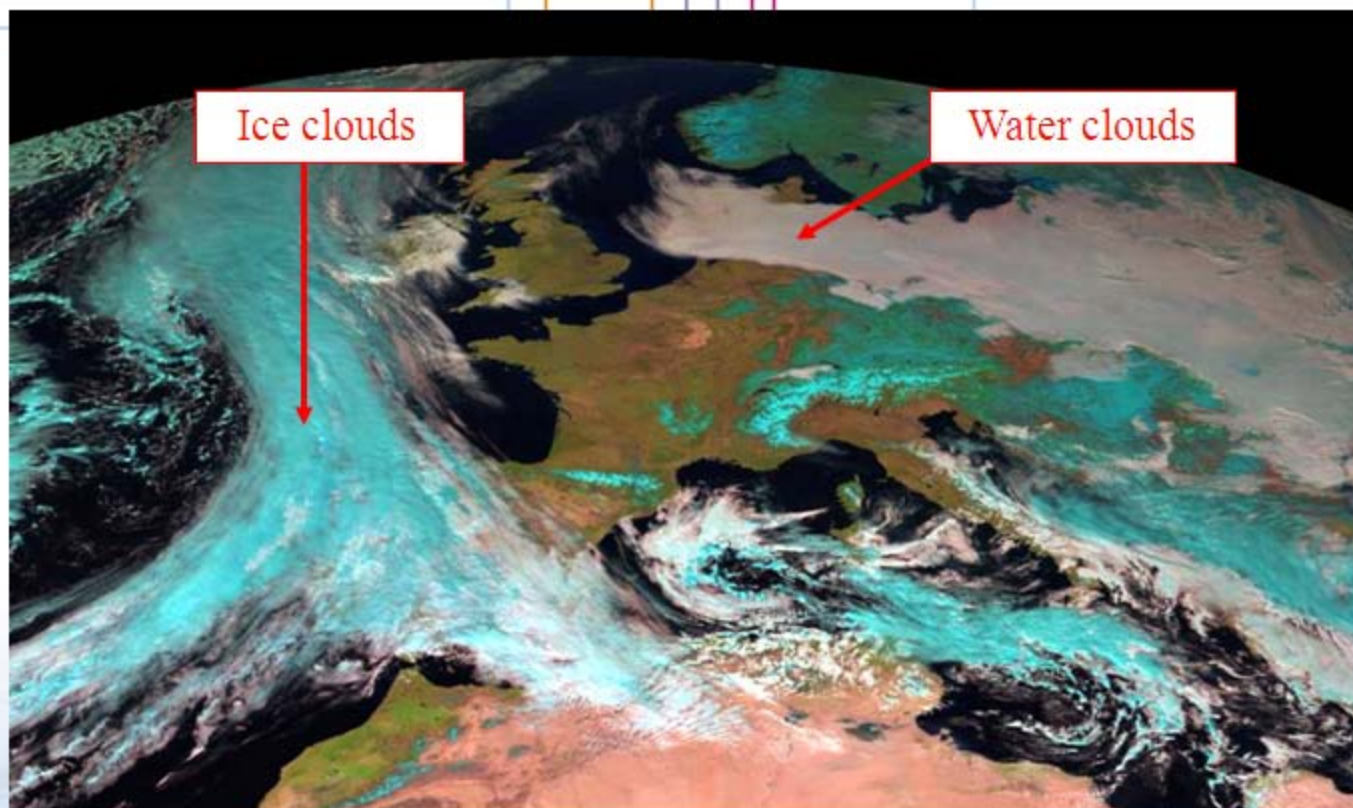
Large ice particles

Ice

Small ice crystals

Cloud Phase (Ice and water)

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Cloud phase classification using SEVIRI RGB images
18 Feb 2003, 13:00 UTC, RGB NIR1.6-VIS0.8-VIS0.6

➤ Solar channels

➤ Where you learn how to tell a cloud from a forest

➤ Vegetation monitoring

➤ Where you learn how to tell tomatoes from rice

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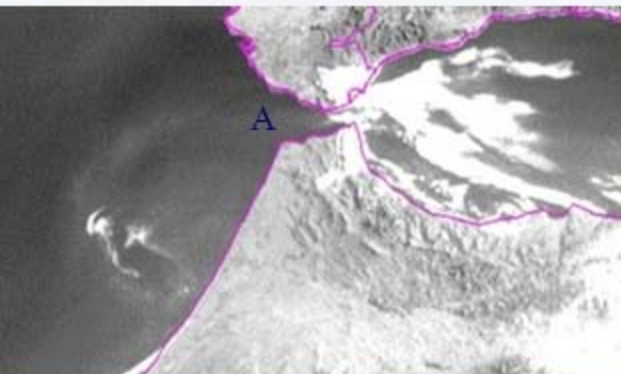
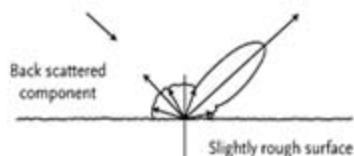
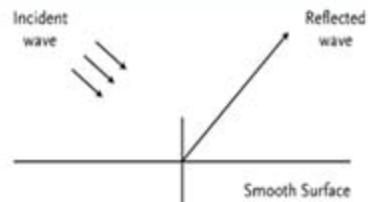
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Sun glint, wind and rough surfaces



- Sun glint (strong specular sun reflection to the satellite) occurs for a particular geometry Sun-pixel-Satellite, in an area of 1000 km across (geostationary satellites)

- For areas **far from the sun glint** zone, a weak wind **increases** surface roughness and the solar scattering to the satellite on the sea surface.

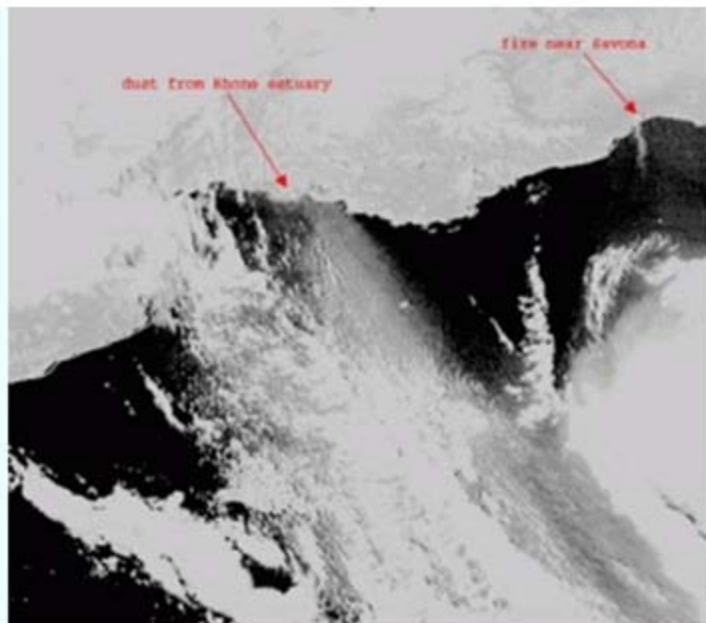
- In the **sun glint zone** itself, the wind **decreases** the scattering to the satellite.

- A **strong** wind can increase reflectance by generating:
 - foam**
 - jet depression and droplet **condensation**
 - bringing **dust** from land into the sea

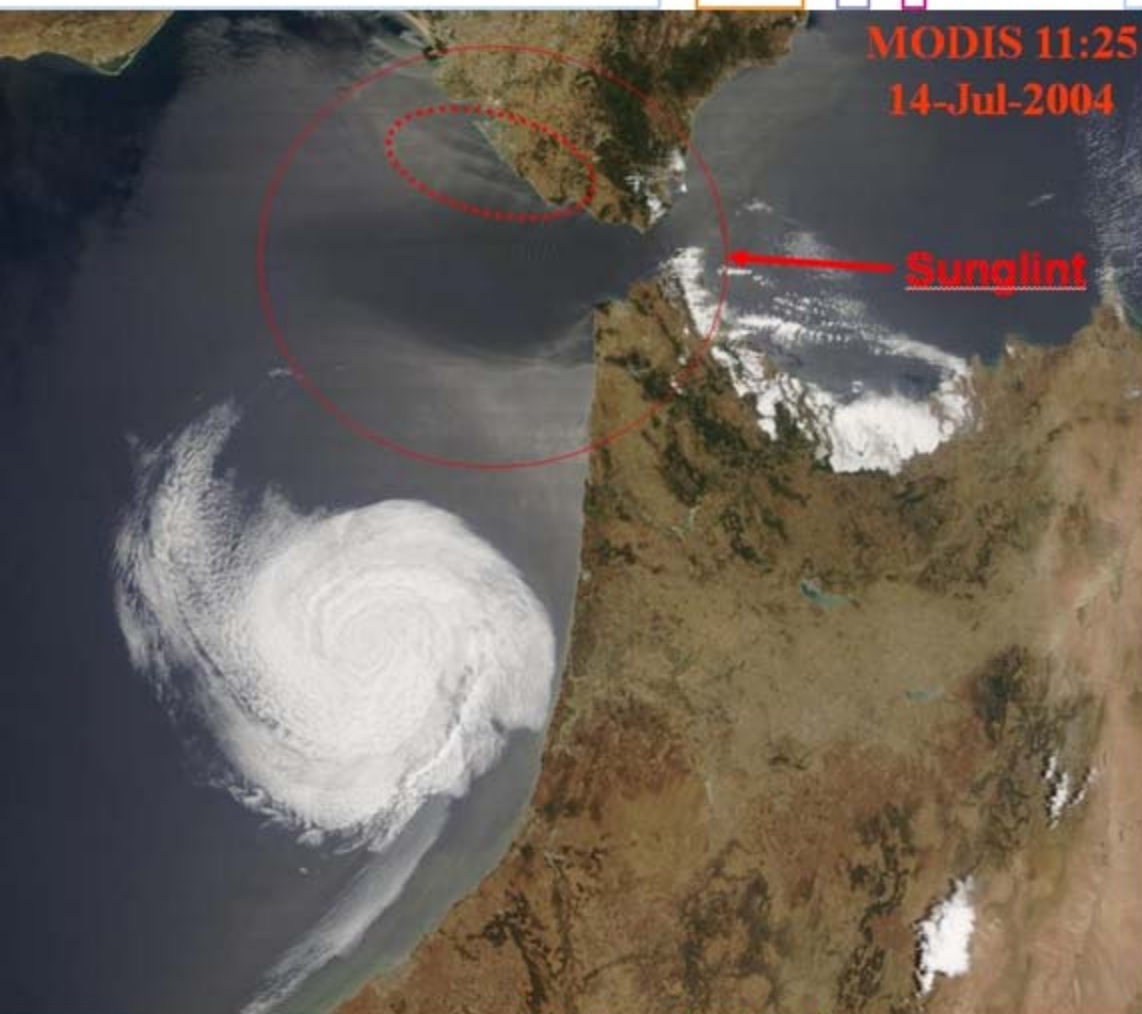
Ocean reflectivity by \ at	Sun glint area	Far away
No wind	High	Low
Moderate wind	Medium	Medium
Strong wind	Medium	High



Met-8, 14 February 2005, 13:45 UTC
Channel 12 (HRV)



Met-8, 14 February 2005, 13:45 UTC
Channel 12 (HRV, enhanced)



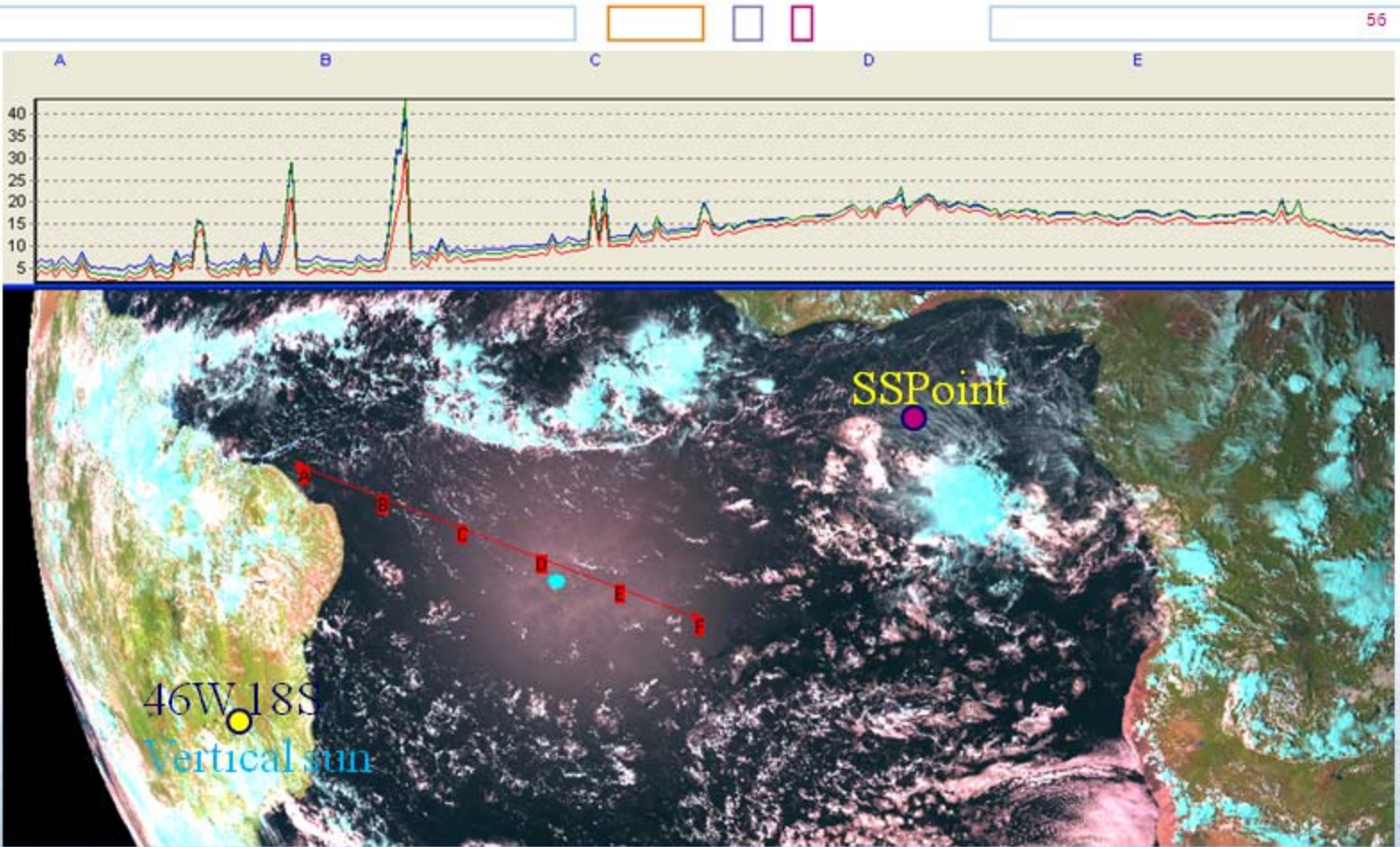
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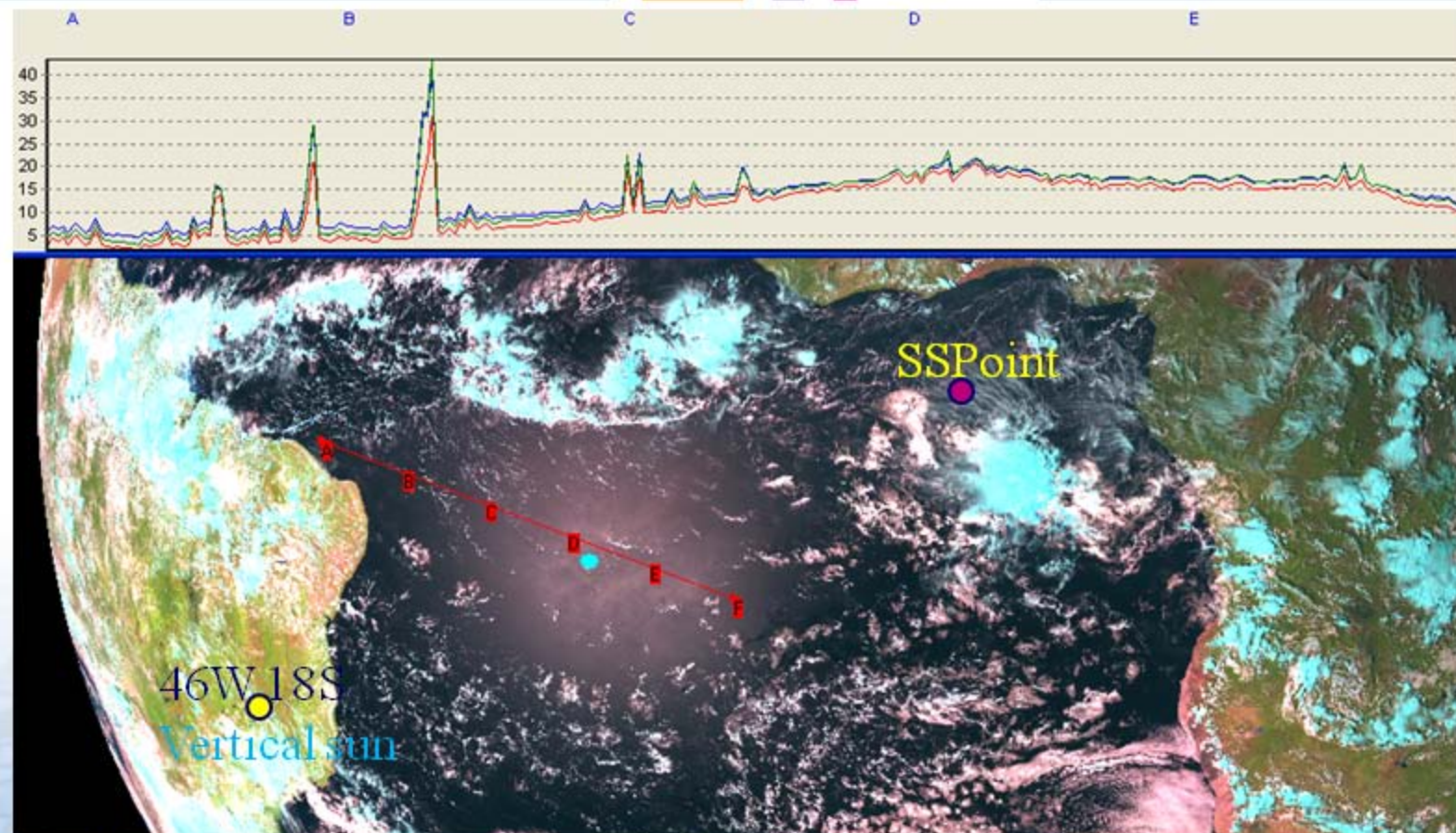
Sun glint

Dark area inside the sun glint area suggests strong wind (west of the Strait of Gibraltar)

Low mountain range channels the wind



Meteosat9, 2011...forgot the date...



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2011-02-01 1500 UTC
RGB Natural

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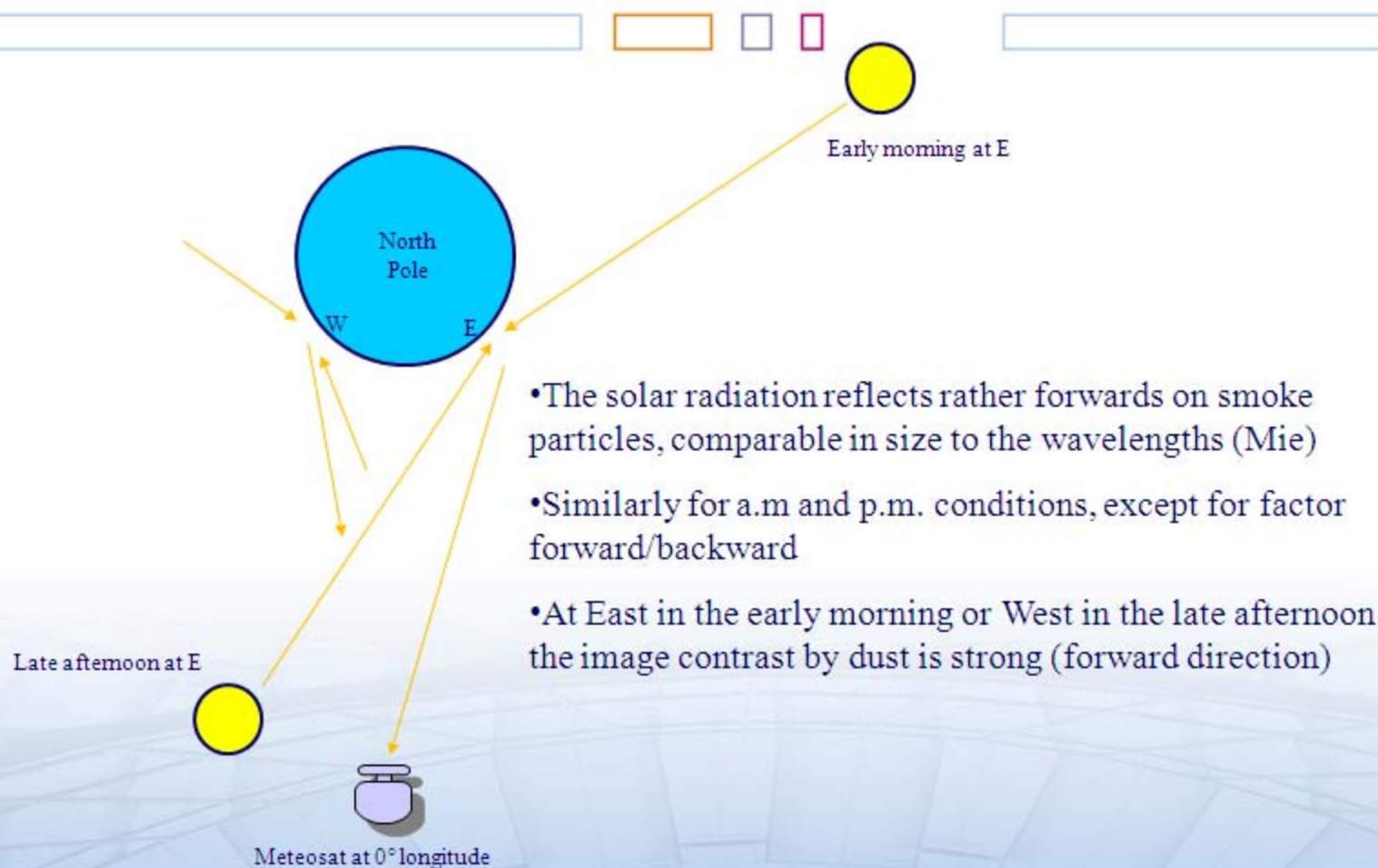
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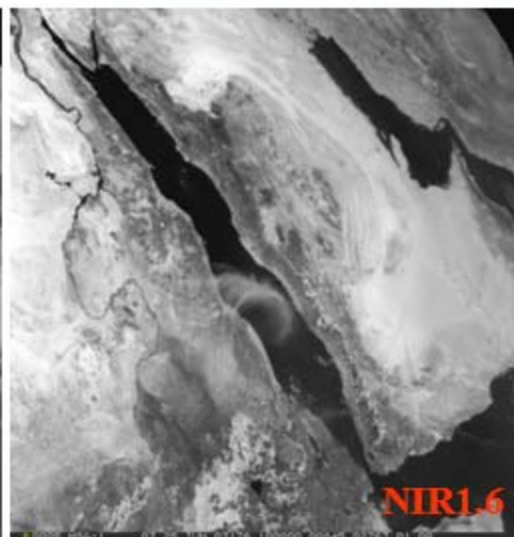
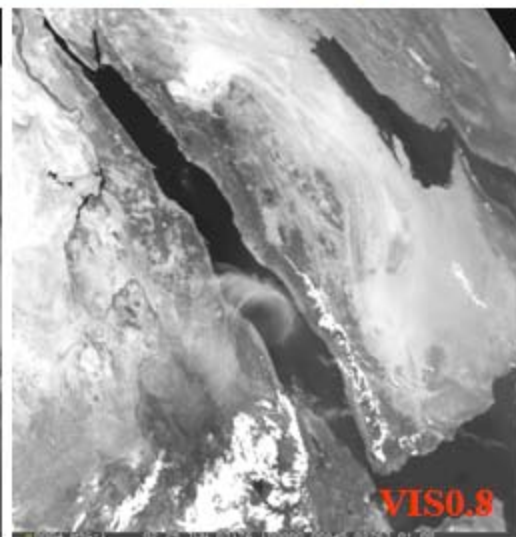
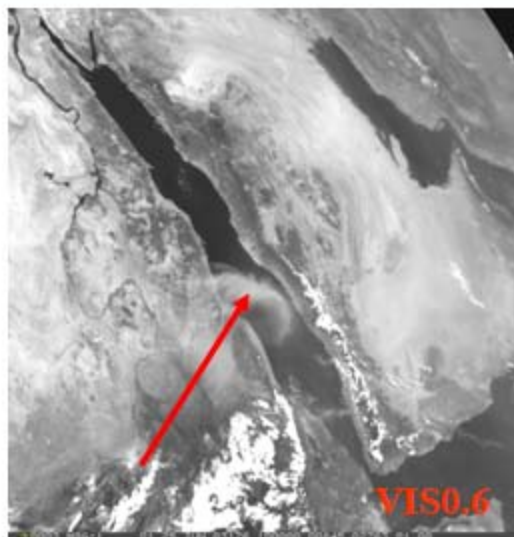
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Image contrast for smoke or dust in solar images





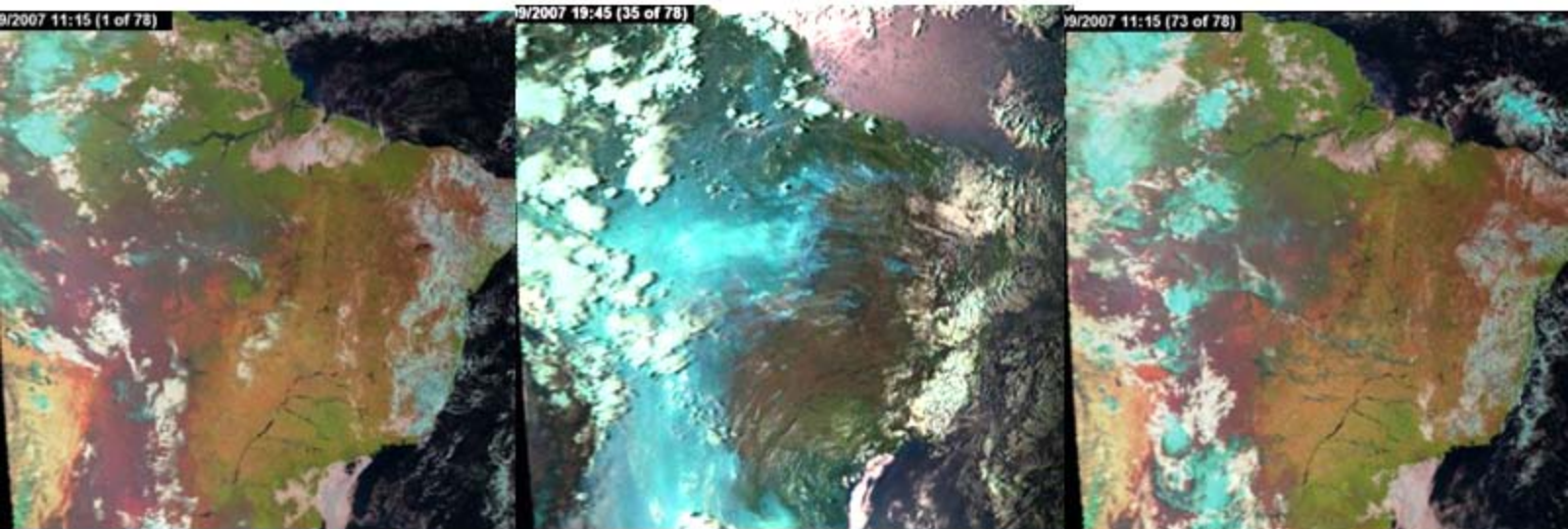
Dust storm over the Red Sea
MSG-1, 25 June 2003, 10:00 UTC

Pastures burning and deforestation activity in Bolivia

sunrise

sunset

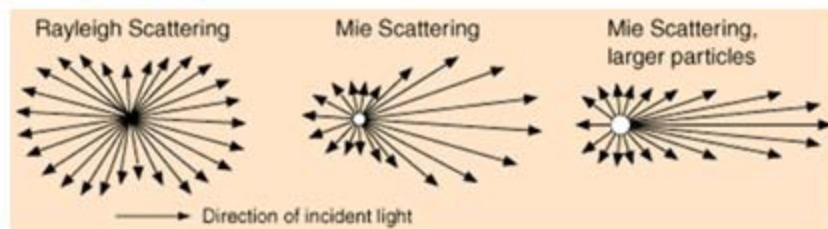
sunrise



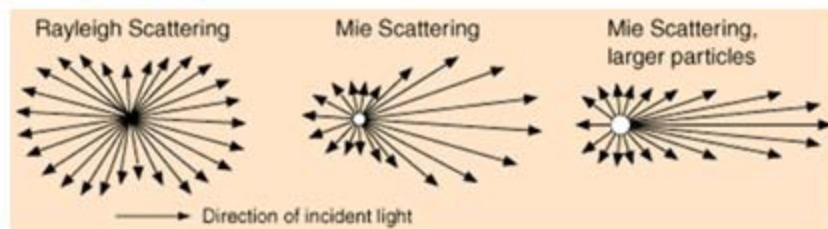
5-6 September 2007, Meteosat-9

Around sunrise and sunset times for central south America

Assuming no major smoke sink or source in 24 hours, the intensity difference is due to directional reflection (**asymmetry factor**)



- Smaller wavelengths prefer forward scattering
- Blue-cyan colour due to 1.6 μm Rayleigh scattering
- Scattering intensity higher in the western late afternoon

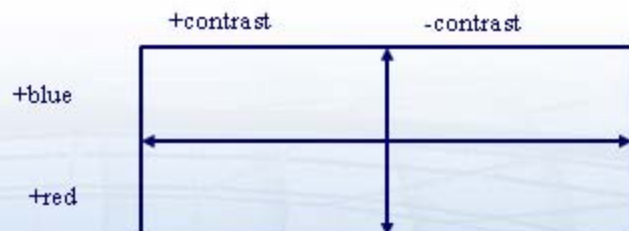


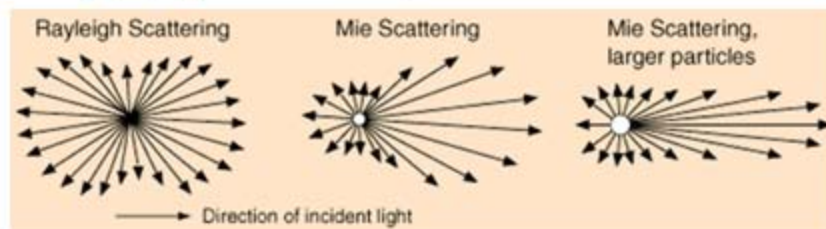
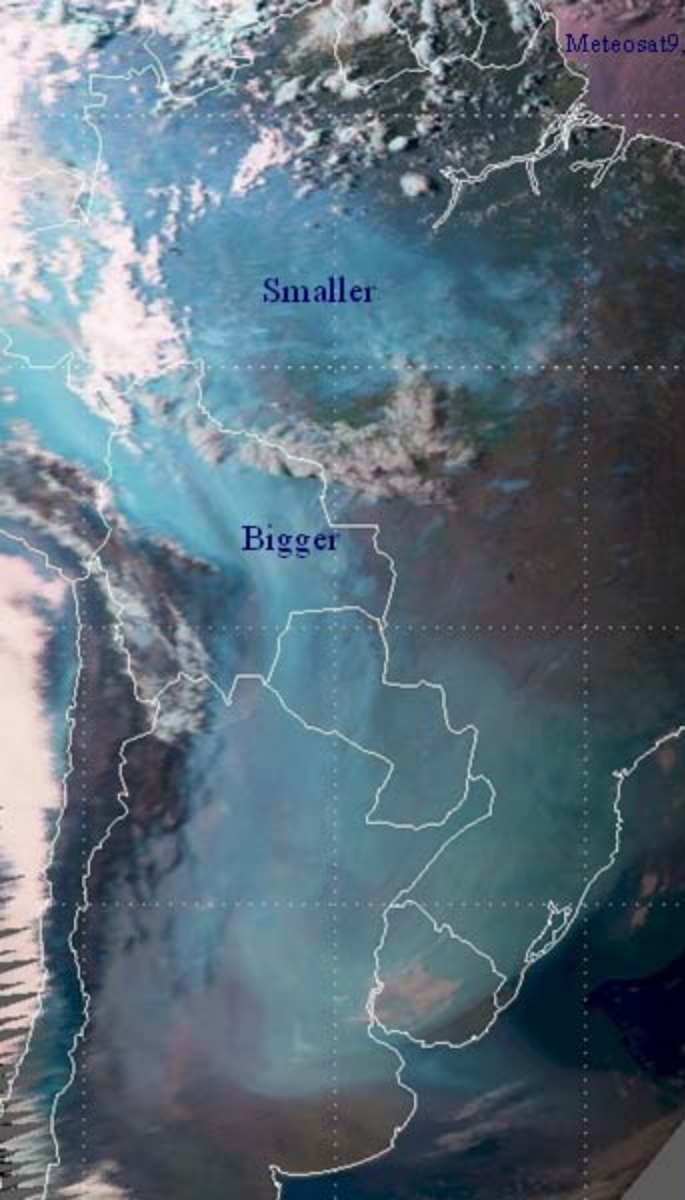
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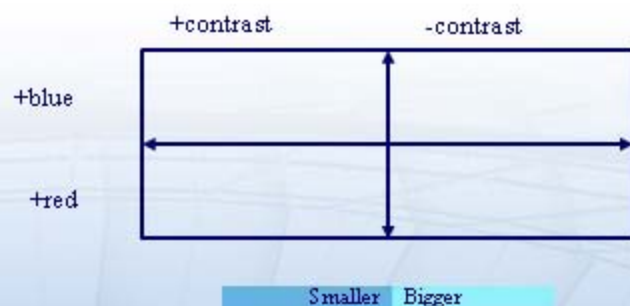
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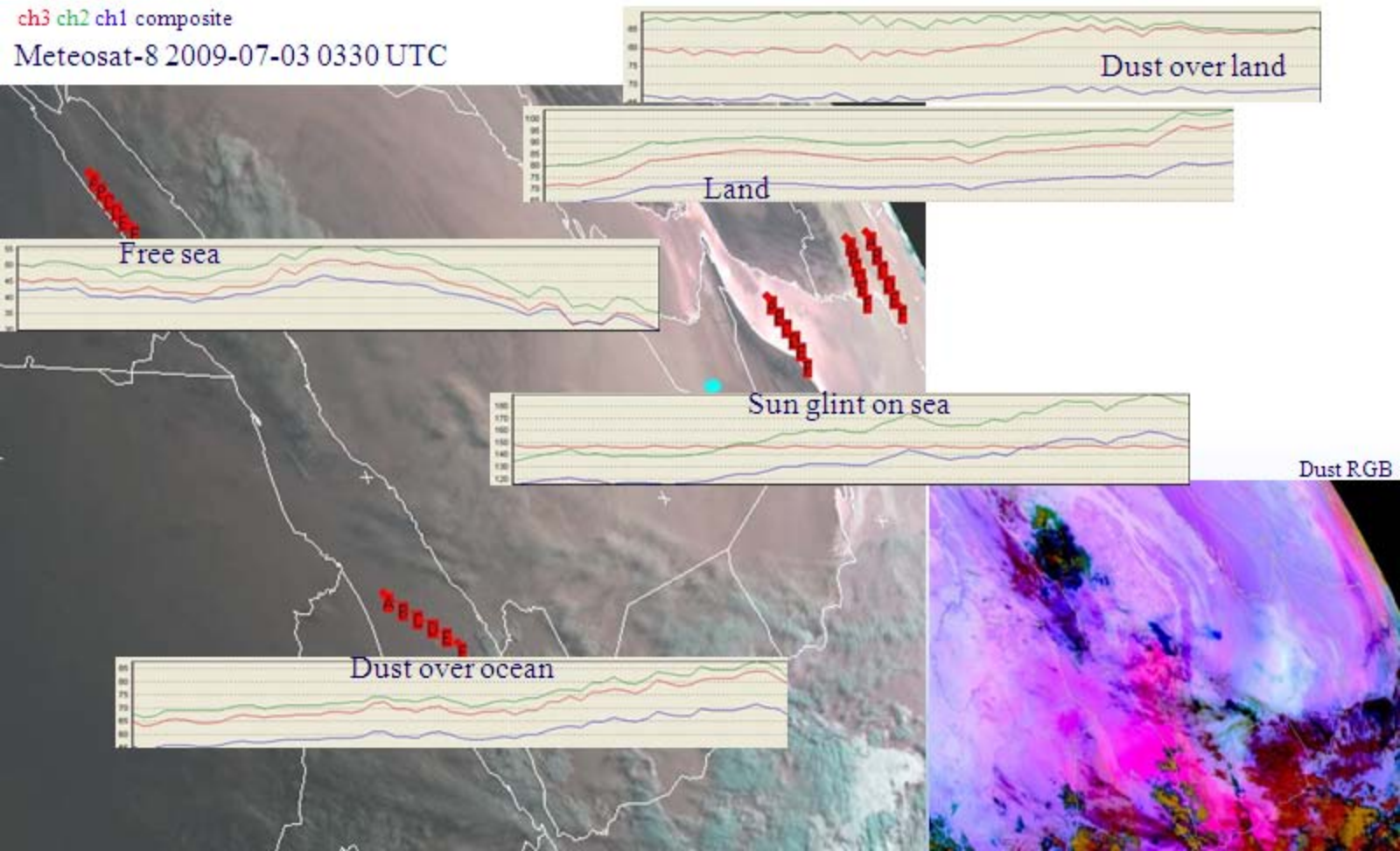
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Sun glint and dust

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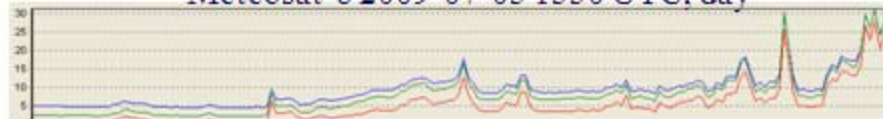
Meteosat-8 2009-07-03 0330 UTC



Sun glint hides the dust signal (sunset on the West)

At the western Atlantic, -58E, 18N dust over ocean (C-D), obscured at late p.m by coincident sunglint

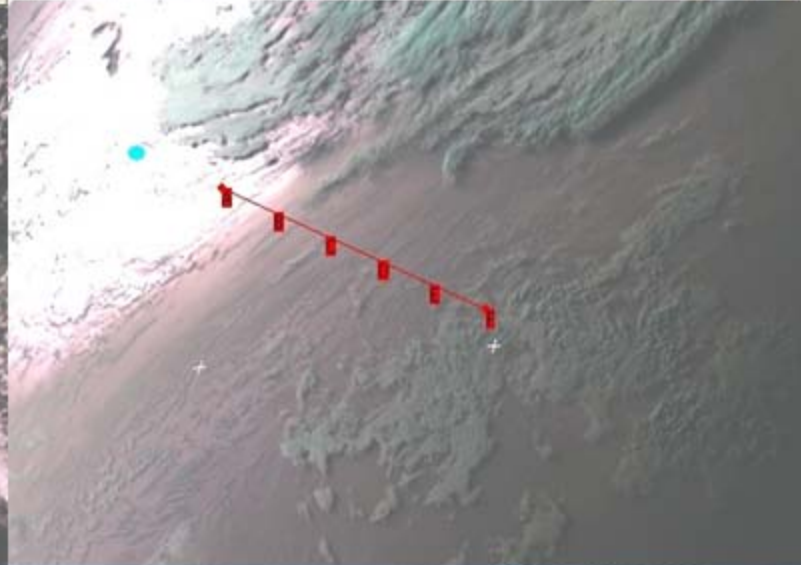
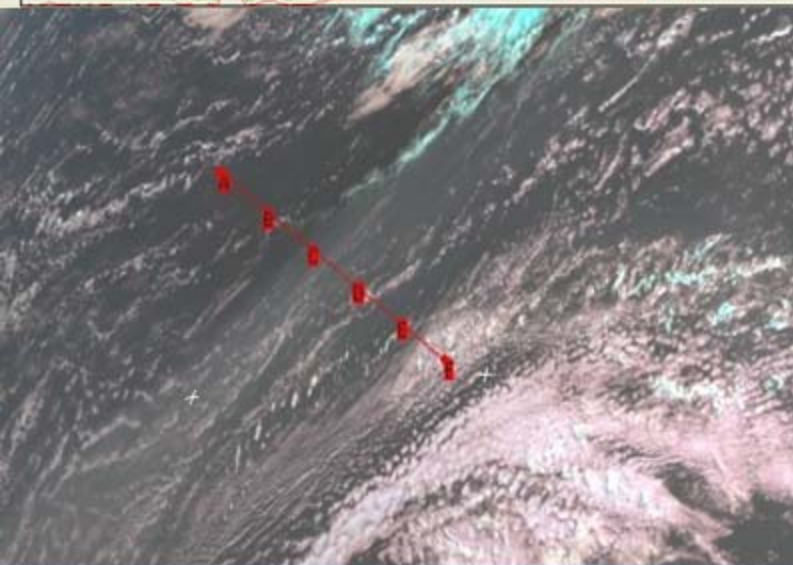
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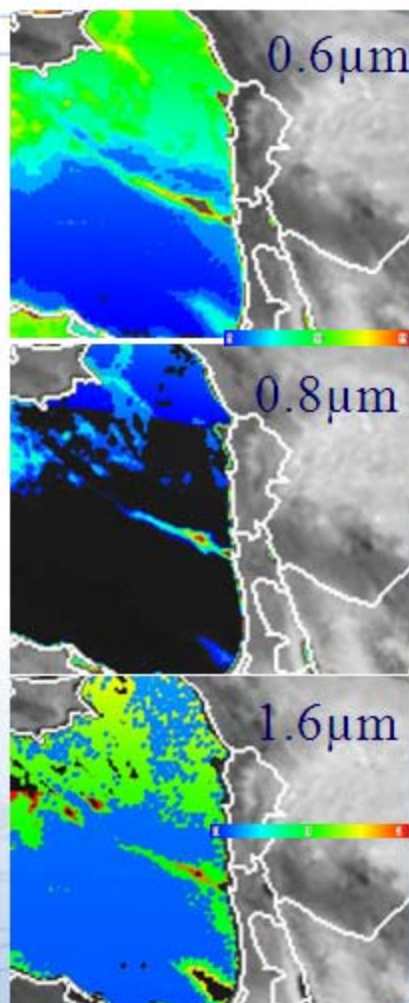
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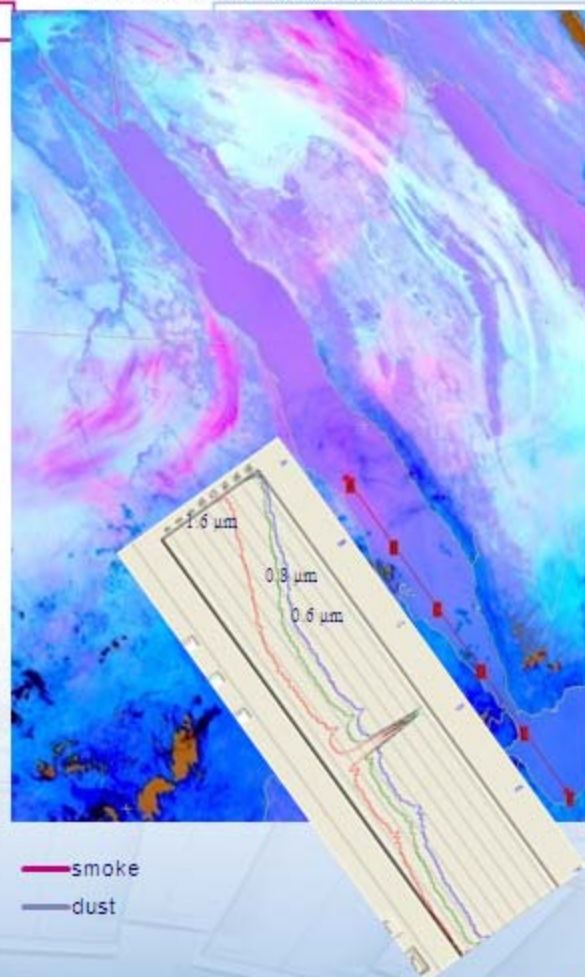
Ash or smoke is smaller than dust



2010-12-03 10UTC Haifa fire ash plume (% albedo)
Plume maxima: 20%, 15%, 3%

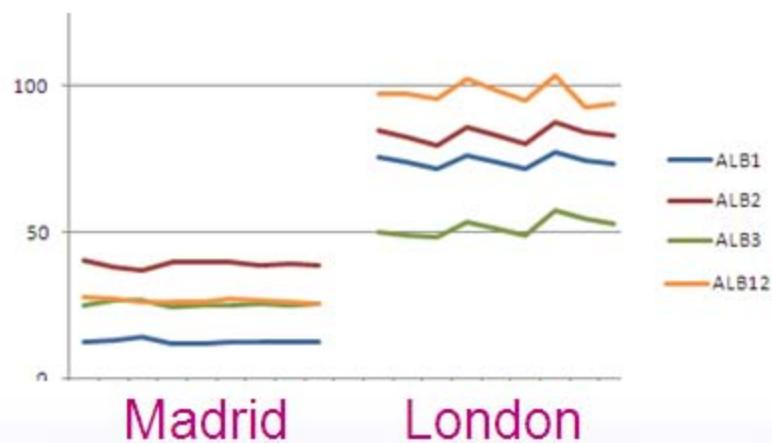


2010-06-23 0845UTC Dust over Red Sea



Clear and cloudy locations (26-Apr-2010 10:45, 9 neighbours)

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- Solar: scale 0% - 100% albedo
- For the clear (dry) scene, $0.8\mu\text{m}$ provides the strongest reflectance
- For cloud over London, $1.6\mu\text{m}$ is weakest
- HRV is average of the solar channels 0.6 and $0.8\mu\text{m}$ for land, but above both for cloud cover

Implementation of the EUMETSAT Geostationary Programme

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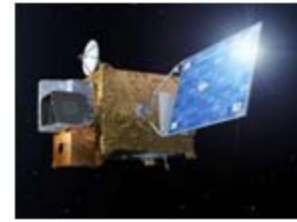
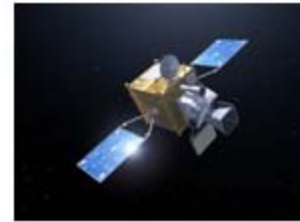
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MOP+MTP

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- 1** observation mission:
- **MVIRI**: 3 channels
- **Spinning** satellite
1 ton

- 2** observation missions:
- **SEVIRI**: 12 channels
- **GERB**
- **Spinning** satellite
2 ton

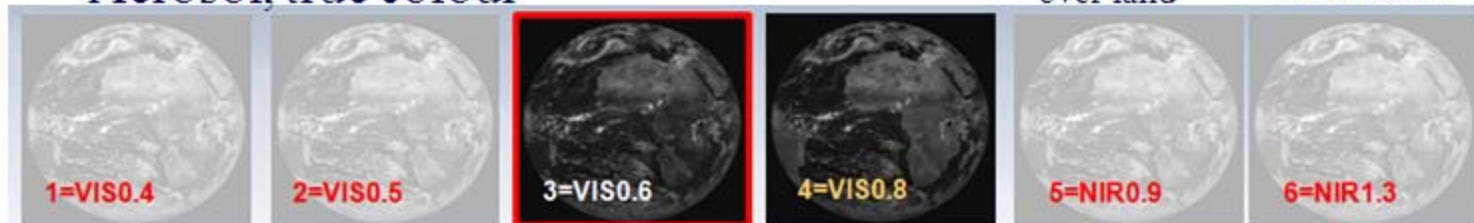
- 4** observation missions:
- Combined Imager: 16 channels
- **Infra-Red Sounder**
- **Lightning Imager**
- **3-axis stabilised** satellite(s)
3 ton

... towards 60 years of operations ...

Coordinated with atmospheric chemistry from GMES Sentinel 4

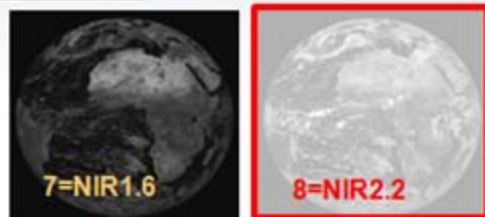
Third generation solar channels

Aerosol, true colour

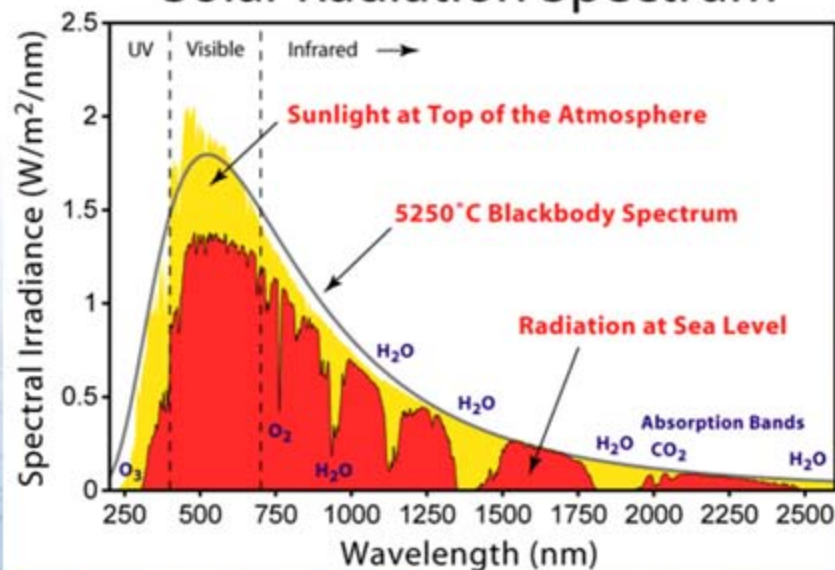


Water vapour
over land

Thin cirrus



Solar Radiation Spectrum



Cloud microphysics

Aerosol, ocean colour, flooding

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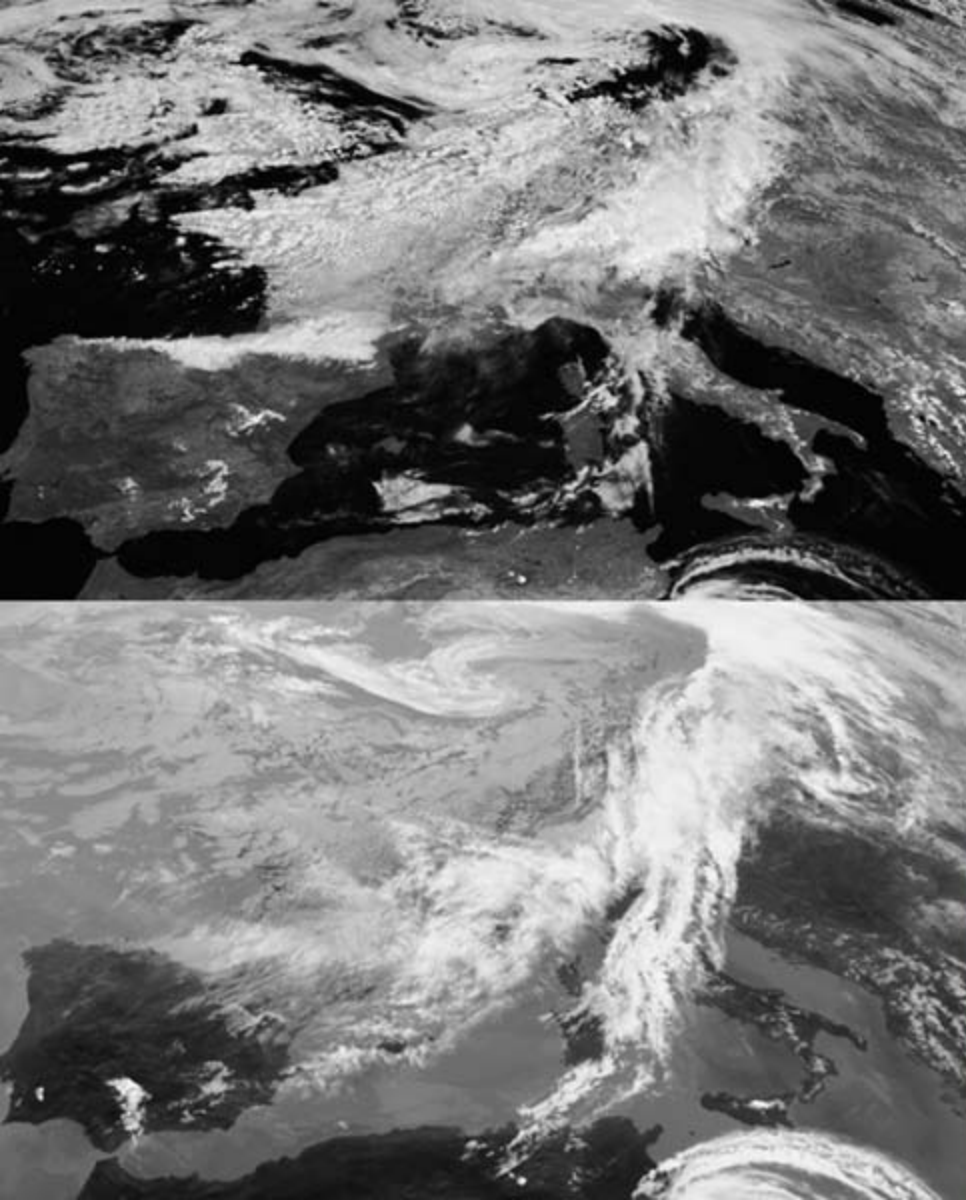


EXERCISE: Solar versus IR

June image at midday

Which panel is *solar*?

Which panel is *thermal*?



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Think of temperatures
and reflectances for
water bodies, land and
cloud

Reflectance order:
water – land – cloud

Temperature order:
cloud – water – land

So the first image is ...?

The second is... ?



Thank you for your attention

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