

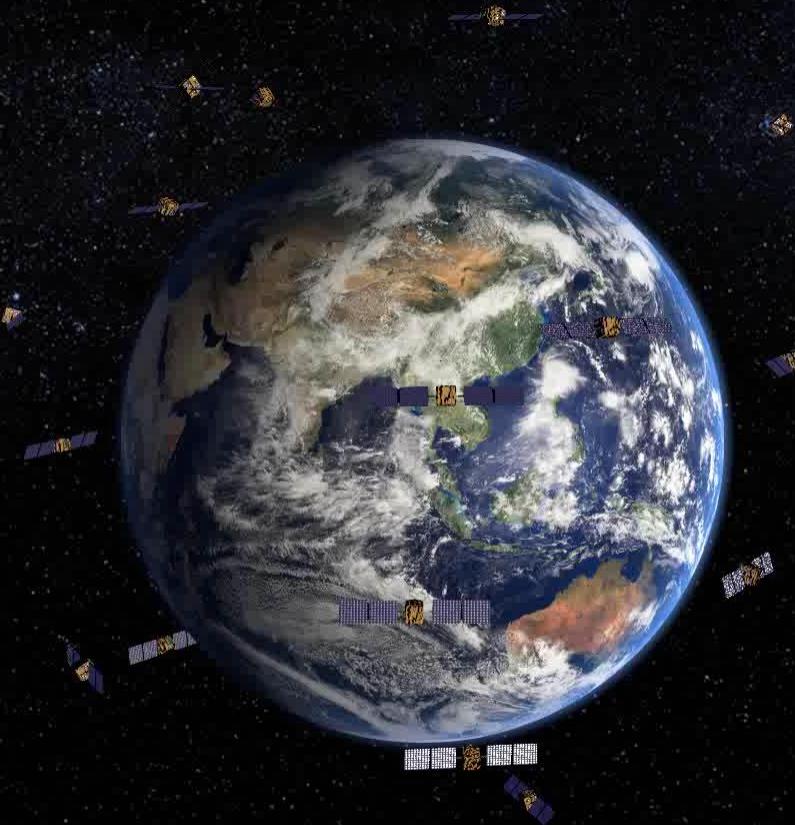


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Digital Earth Africa: From Satellites to Insights

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Developing the Australian Geoscience Data Cube

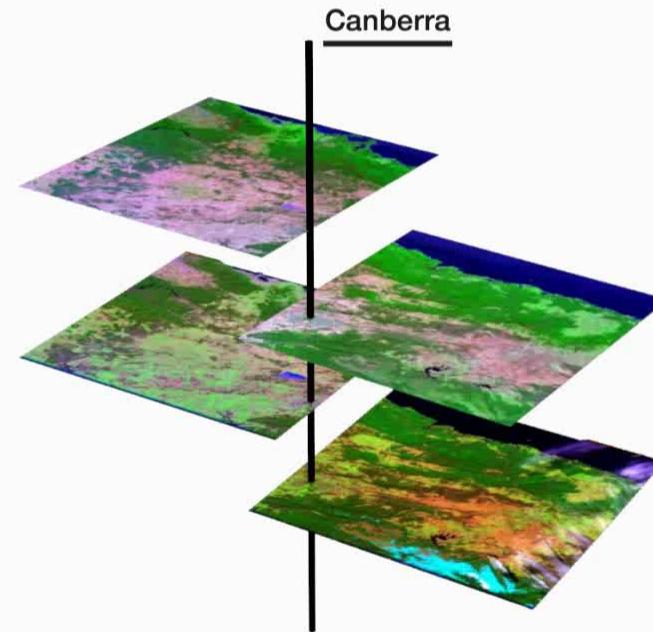
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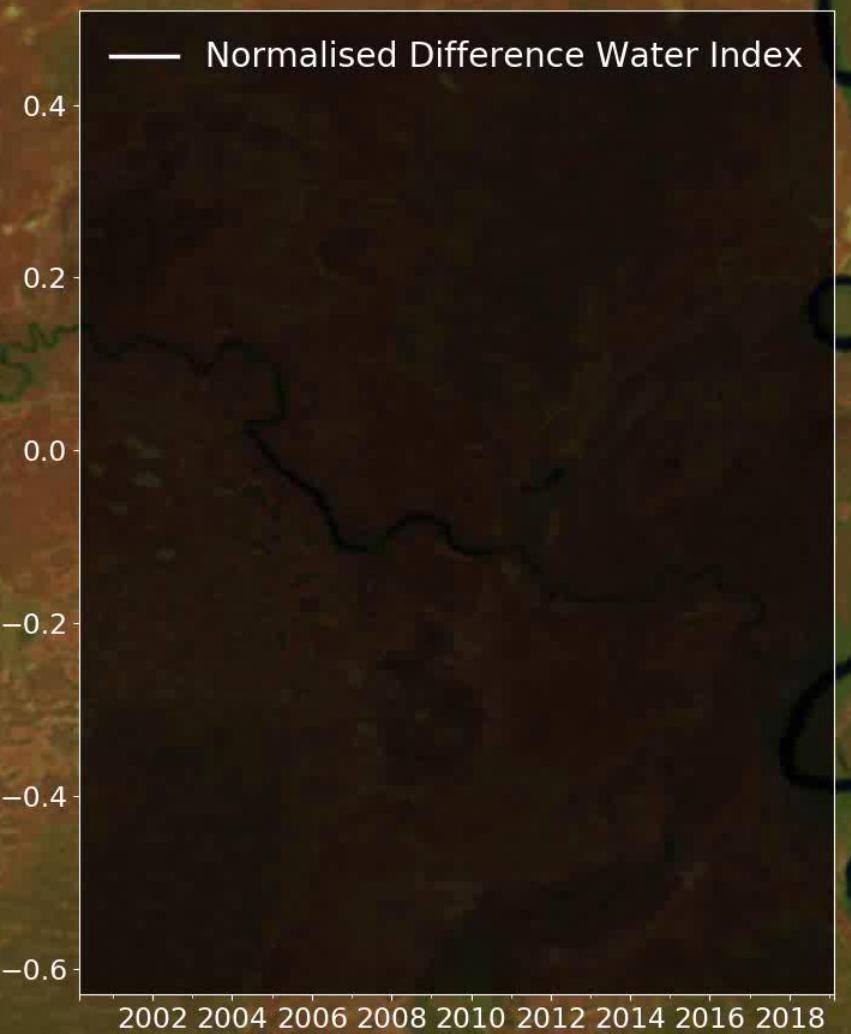
Calibration



Time series



7 Jan 2001



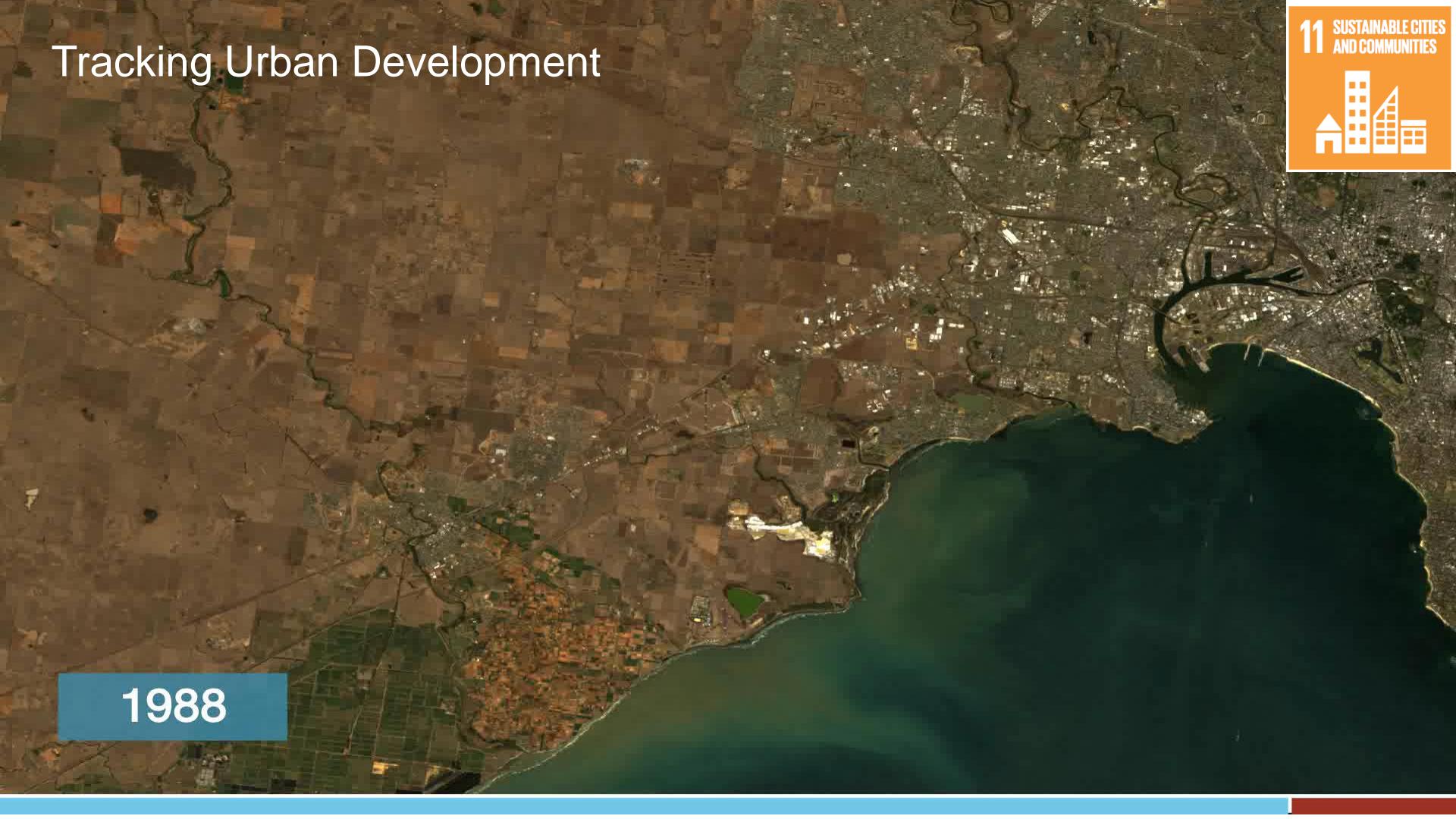
6 CLEAN WATER
AND SANITATION





Tracking Urban Development

1988





green

dry

soil



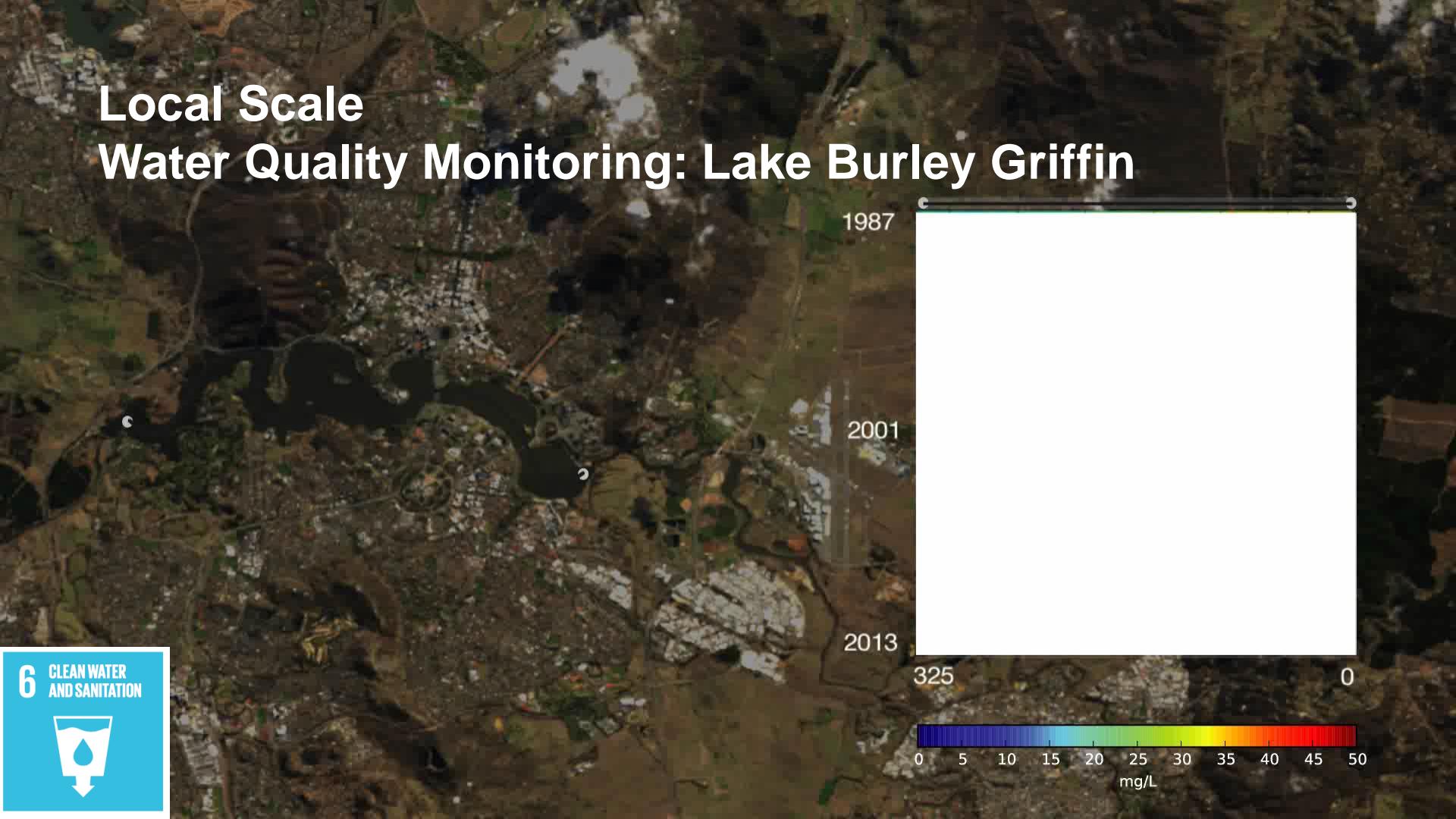
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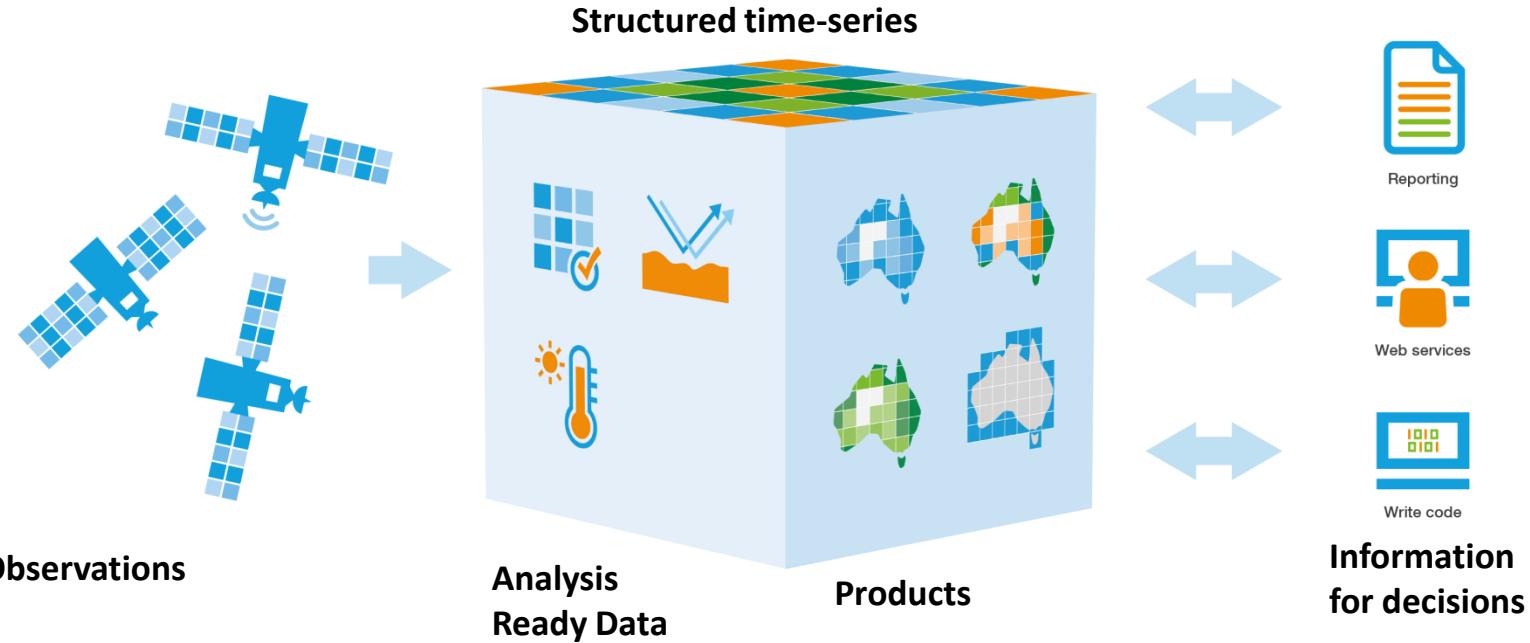
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Local Scale Water Quality Monitoring: Lake Burley Griffin





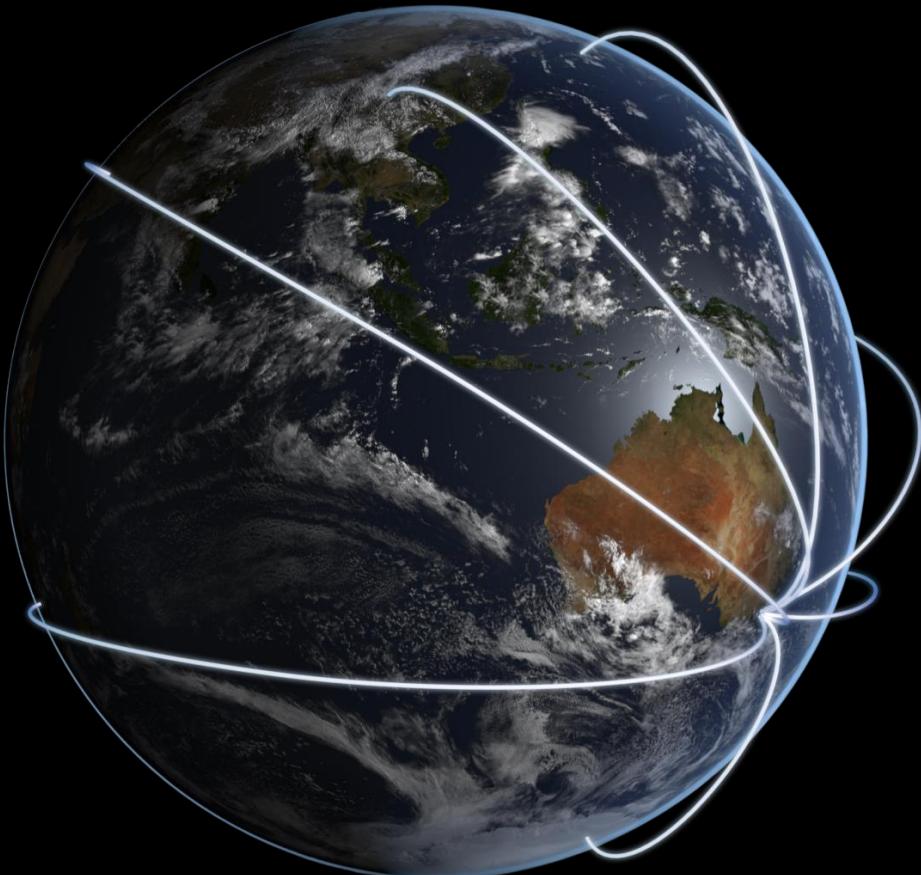
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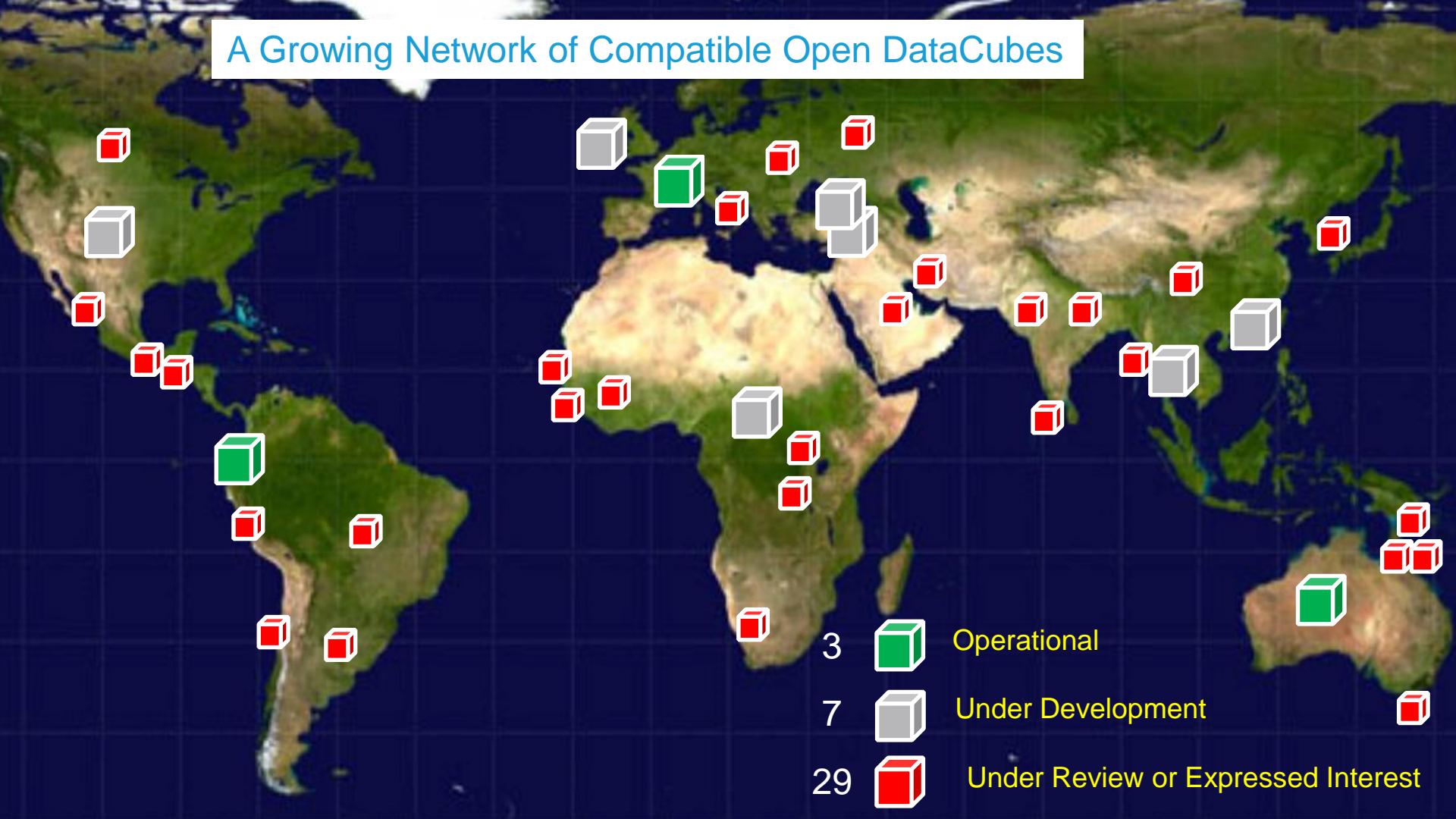


Data Cubes for:
Africa, Antarctica, China, India,
Europe, North America, ...

Connecting the EO, Spatial and Statistical
world to support global SDGs?



A Growing Network of Compatible Open DataCubes



Problem Statement

Countries have expressed a need for better access and capacity for applying Earth observation data to national priorities, in relation to national development objectives and the 2030 Agenda.

Digital Earth Africa will provide an operational data infrastructure deployable in the cloud or locally that gives the government control over its management. The project will support a multi-stakeholder and data ecosystem approach.





Countries

- Tanzania
- Kenya
- Senegal
- Sierra Leone
- Ghana
- Uganda
- South Africa
- Rwanda
- Botswana
- Cote d'Ivoire
- Malawi
- Gabon
- Ethiopia

Use Cases

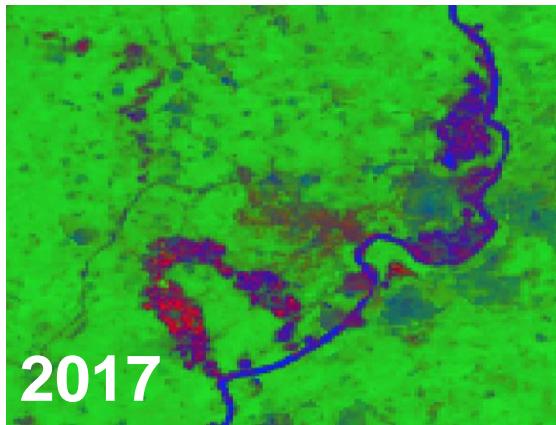
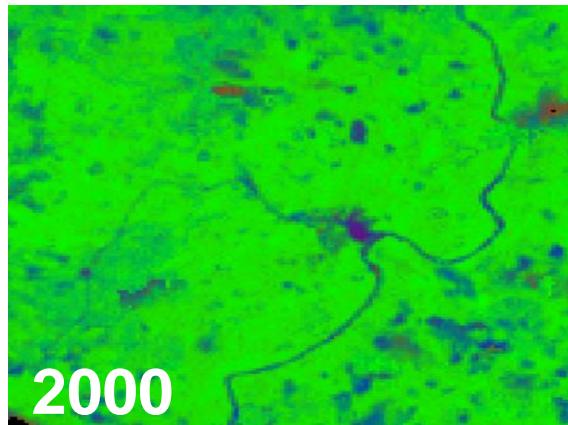
- Agriculture
- Land degradation
- Water quality and extent
- Disease/pests
- Deforestation
- Illegal mining
- Urban growth
- Flood risk
- Unplanned settlements
- Wildfires
- Mangroves
- Landslides
- SDG indicators

Stakeholders

- Geoscience Australia
- Group on Earth Observations (GEO)
- Committee on Earth Observations (CEOS)
- World Economic Forum
- South Africa National Space Agency (SANSA)
- Kenya Office of the Deputy President
- Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data
- CGIAR
- UNECA
- Africa Union
- AfDB
- RCMRD
- AGRHYMET

Phase 1 Steering Committee

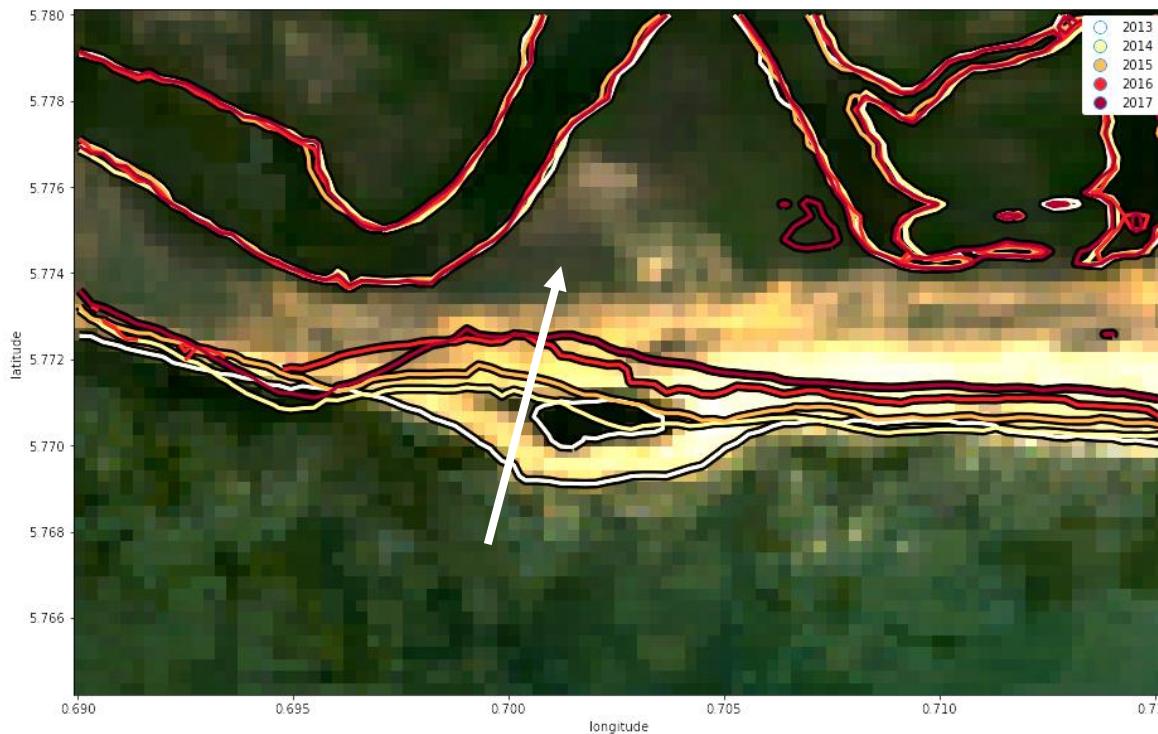
Illegal Mining: Ankobra River, Ghana



There is a 13% loss in dense vegetation from 2000 to 2017. These illegal mines have a significant impact to land and water resources

Coastal erosion in Ghana

Sub-pixel resolution 2013-17 annual coastlines mapped from Landsat

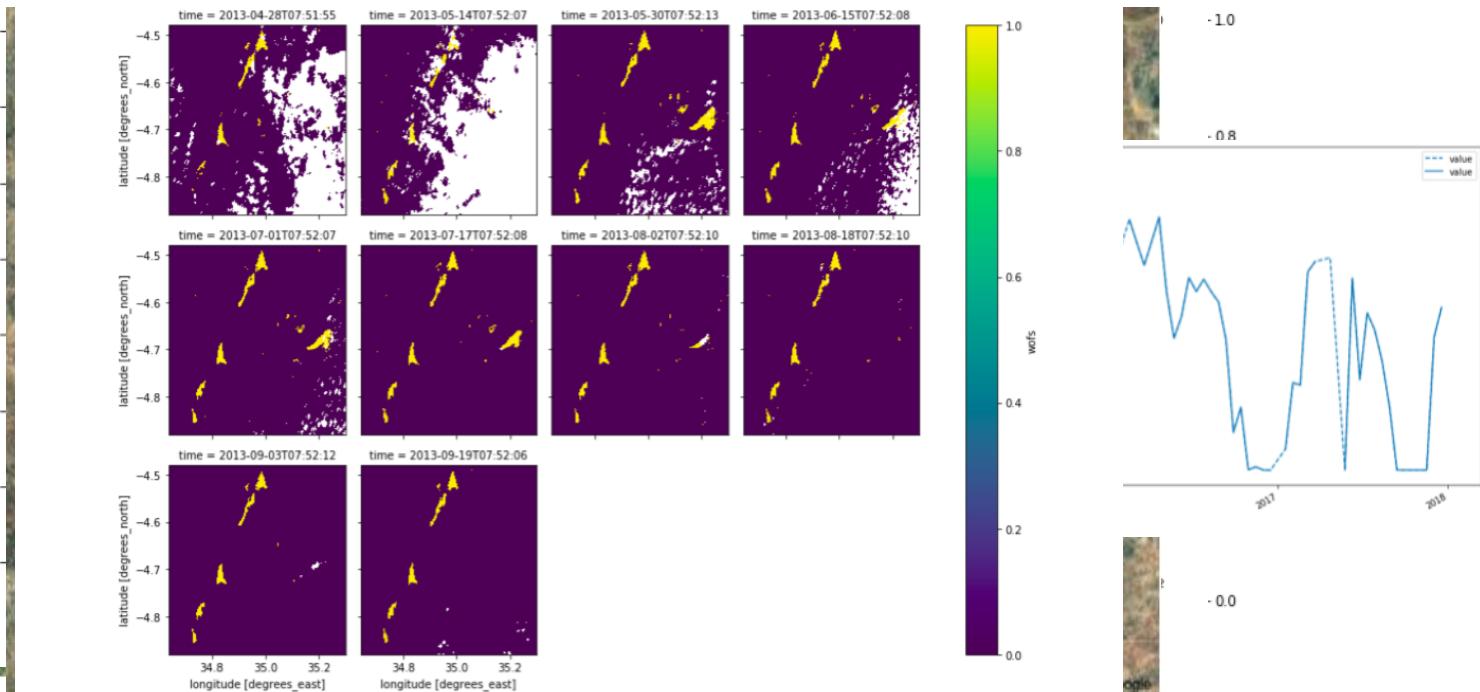


> 500 m of
coastal erosion
(100 m / yr) at
Fuveme village
([BBC news](#))

Drought resilience workflow- Tanzania



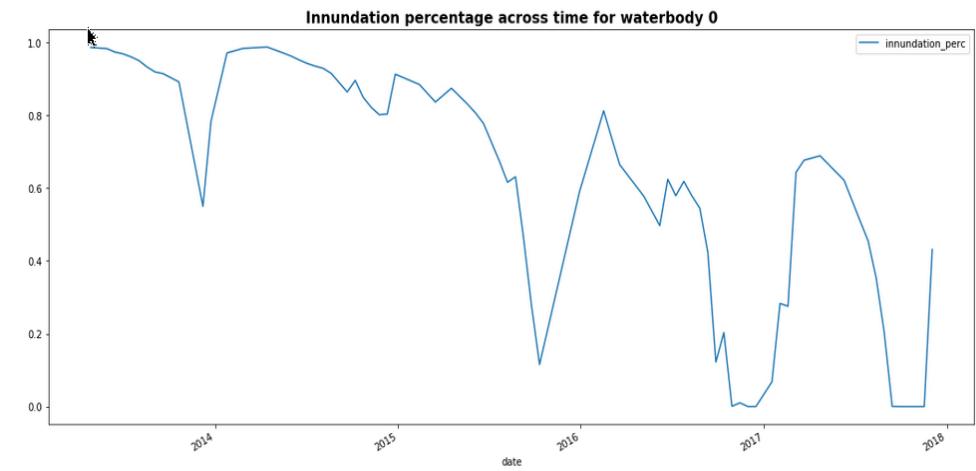
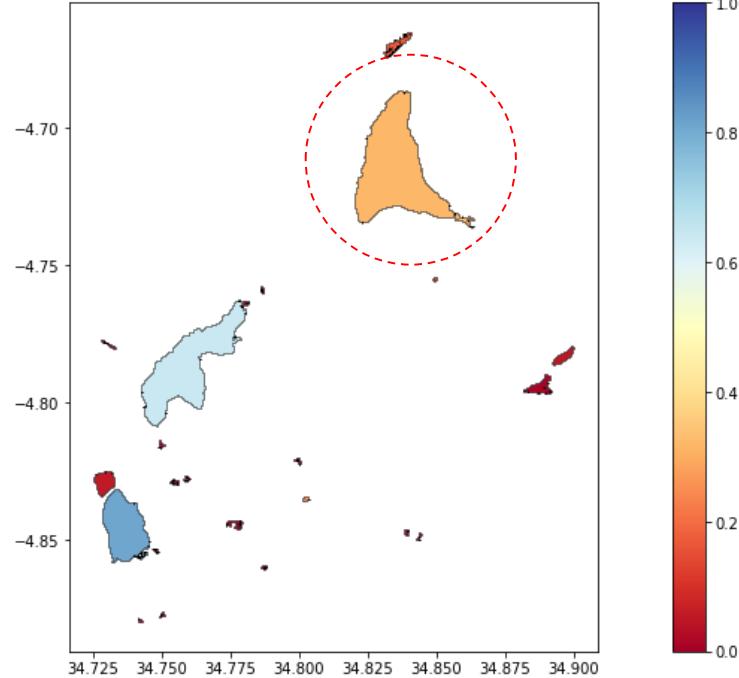
3. Identify catchable clouds over a water body



Drought status for Tanzania

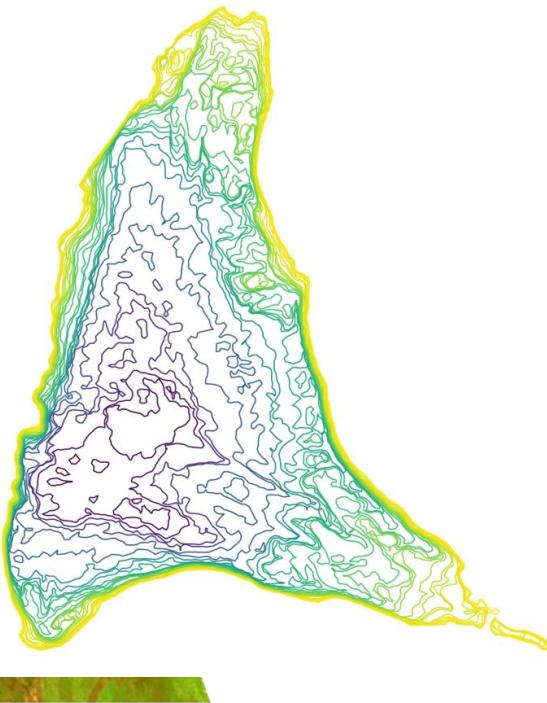
Inundation percentage compared to max waterbody extent

Average inundation percent for 2017-11-01 to 2017-12-19
compared to maximum waterbody extent between 2013-2017

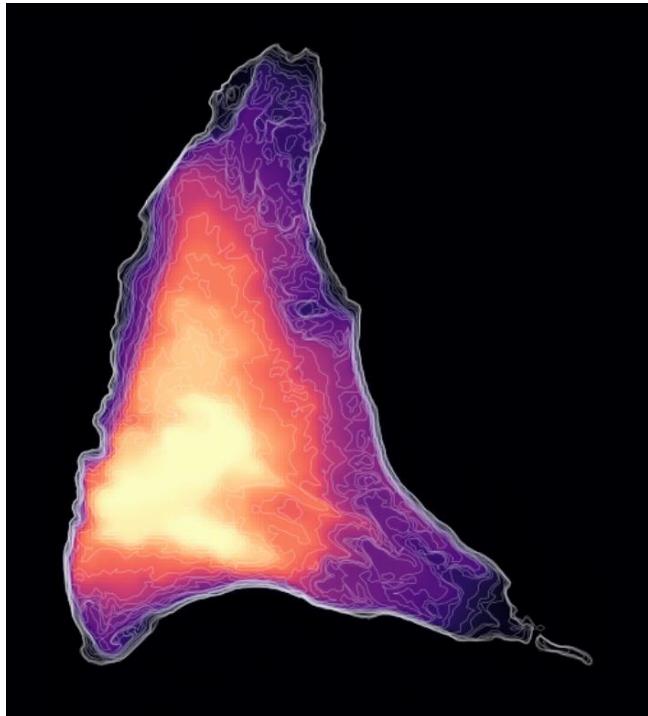


Mapping relative waterbody topography

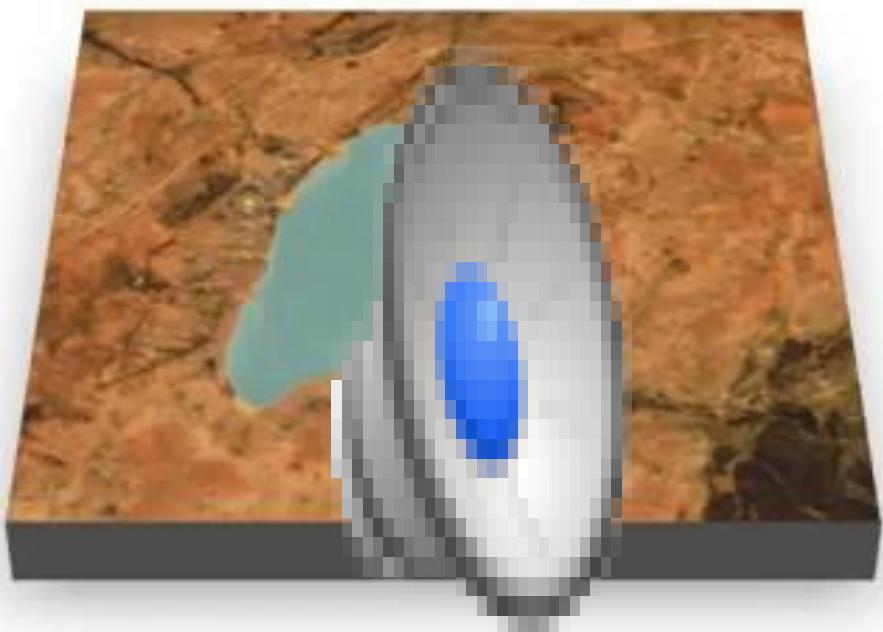
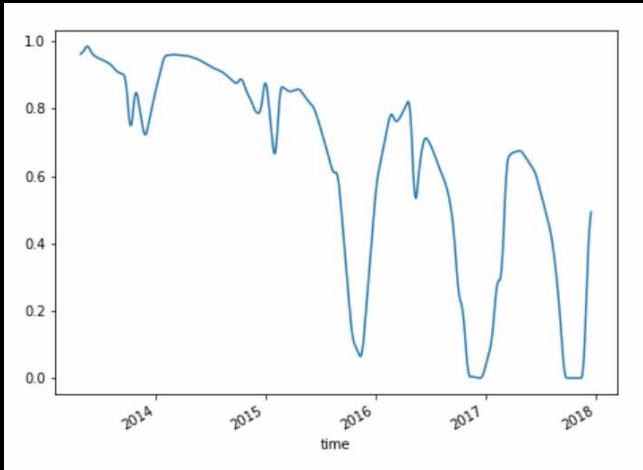
Inundation % contours



Interpolated 'relative' topography

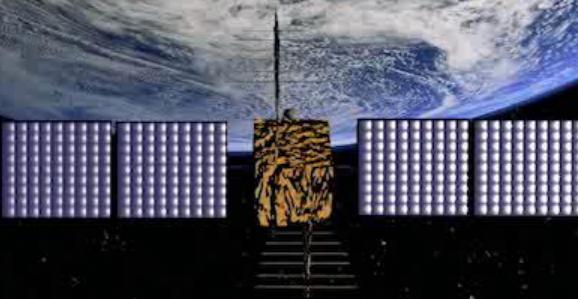


Percent inundated, 2014-18





- Operational Data Cube for whole of Africa
 - Regular decision ready product / not research
 - Automated, run for every pixel for entire continent
 - Levering off other ODC developments
- New institutional home- (Host TBD)~30 staff
- Flexible cloud/HPC Infrastructure
- Funded for production of product and capacity building/App development
- Multilateral effort, not owned by one country
- Products free and open and available to every African





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