Laboratory Session of Advanced Remote Sensing Course

Topic: Introduction to Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS)

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1. Objectives

The students will learn basic data characteristics of Terra/Aqua MODIS products (Level 1B and level 2), also about basic data processing such as geometric correction of Level 1B and level 2 data using ENVI software.

2. Demonstration:

In this Laboratory Session, we will learn how to:

- 2.1 Open and Visualize MODIS data in Level 1B
- 2.2 Understand the data structure and data format of MODIS data
- 2.3 Visualize the MODIS data geophysical parameters
 - 2.3.1 Radiance
 - 2.3.2 Reflectance
 - 2.3.3 Brightness Temperature

2.4 Understand MODIS Scientific Data Sets (SDS)

2.5 Generate geometric-corrected MODIS L1B image.

2.6 Generate a map of simple MODIS product - Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) using geometric-corrected MODIS L1B image obtained in Section 2.5 and apply map layout, map features and political boundaries to the map.

3. MODIS Data:

The data to be used for this practical session are Terra and Aqua MODIS in Level 1B (AIT and NASA data) and Level2 data (Land Surface Temperature (MOD/MYD11) and Corrected Reflectance (MOD09/MYD09) products from NASA)

The data can be found in the server of the laboratory. Vector data for political boundaries, coastlines and rivers are also available in the Server.

4. Software:

Software to be used is ENVI 4.x (for example, ENVI 4.5)

5. Practice

Generate the following maps using available Terra and Aqua MODIS data in the MODIS Sample Data folder.

- 1. Vegetation Index (NDVI) map product,
- 2. Land Surface Temperature (LST) map product and
- 3. Corrected reflectance map product