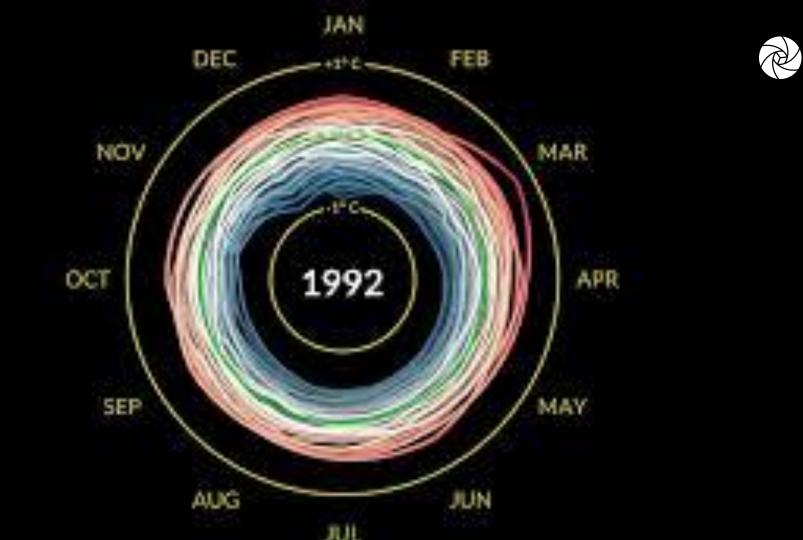
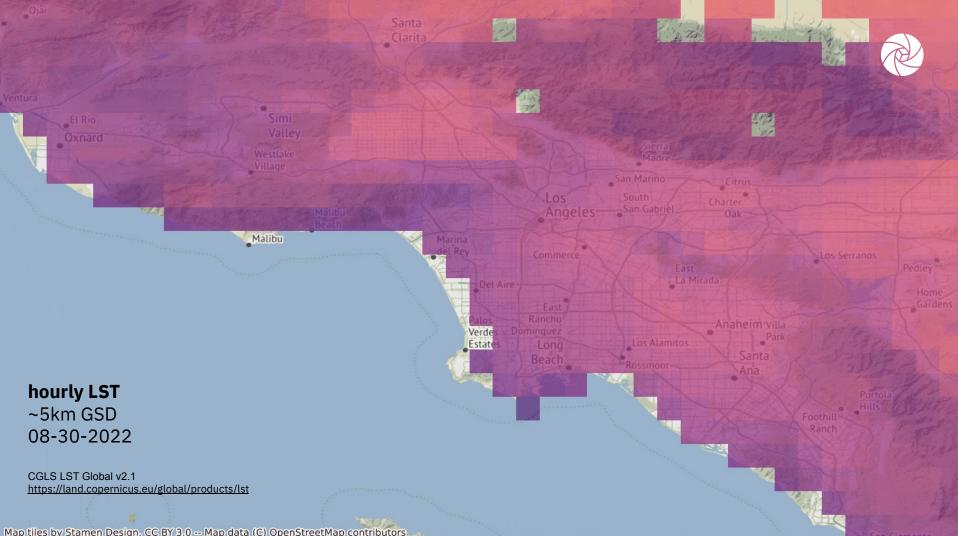
Realtime Thermal Data for Highly Dynamic Events

28.09.2023 Marc Seifert CEOS WGCV IVOS Meeting



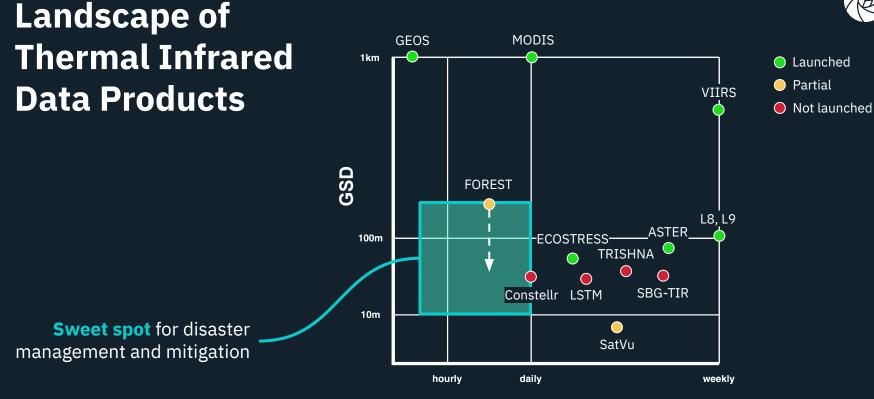




weekly LST ~30m* GSD 08-26-2022

Landsat-8, L2 LST https://www.usgs.gov/landsat-missions/landsat-collection-2-level-2-science-products *TIR B10 100m + high-resolution emissivity

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Revisit Frequency

OR RA TECHNOLOGIES

Thermal intelligence for a sustainable Earth

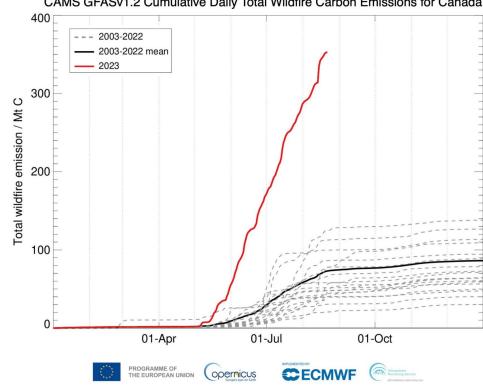
- Munich-based startup with >90 employees
- In-house development of TIR imagers
 → 2 in orbit, 8 more in production
- Goal: 30 min revisit time worldwide
- Focus on wildfires & currently monitoring over 160 Mio. ha of forest





CO2 emissions of wildfires

in Canada this year



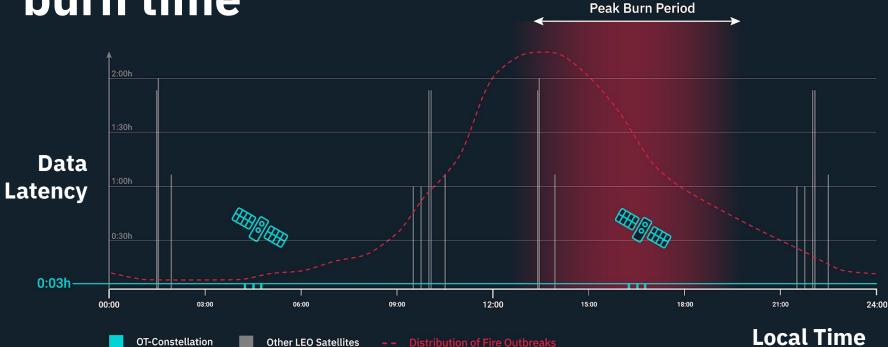
CAMS GFASv1.2 Cumulative Daily Total Wildfire Carbon Emissions for Canada





Wildfire peak burn time

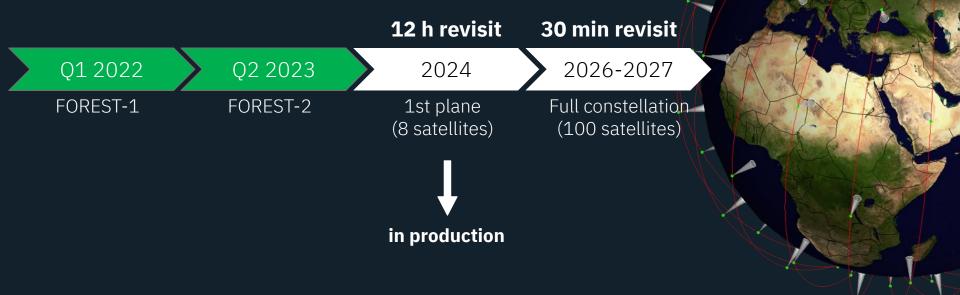




Constellation Development

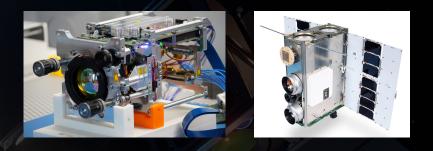


Constellation & Timeline



FOREST Missions



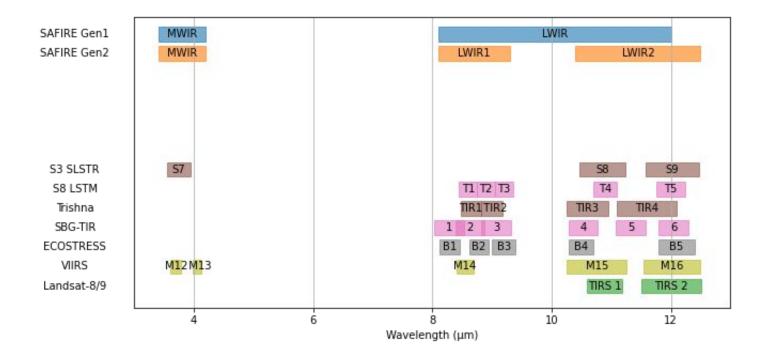


→ Batch production for first plane ongoing

Mission	FOREST-1	FOREST-2	Constellation OTC-P1
Satellites	1	1	8
Status	Launched Jan 22	Launched June 23	Launch mid-24
Orbit	LTDN 10:25	LTDN 13:30	LTAN 17:00 (TBC)
Global revisit time	~14 days	< weekly	twice daily
GSD	250 m	200 m / software enhanced 80 m	
Swath	160 km	410 km	



Spectral Bands

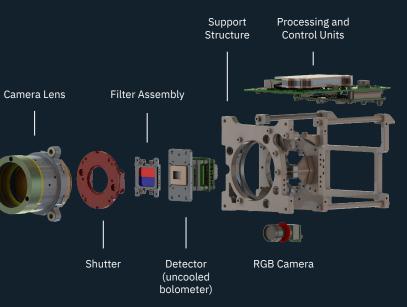


FOREST-1

Our first sensor





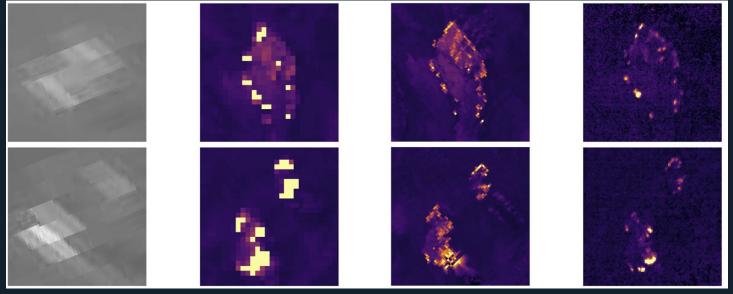




Fire Detection



Alaska - 01.07.2022 - 21:04 UTC MWIR band

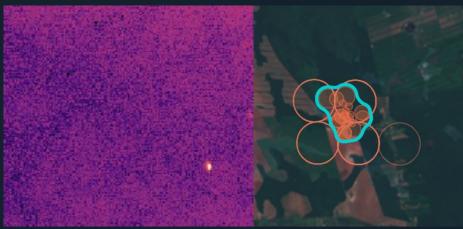


GOES-17 ABI (GEO) 21:04 UTC GSD ~5km Terra MODIS 21:40 UTC GSD 1km NOAA-20 VIIRS 21:30 UTC GSD 375m FOREST-1 SAFIRE 21:04 UTC GSD 250m

On-Orbit Fire Detection

- 1. Process raw data on the satellite \rightarrow detect fires
- 2. Downlink detection via inter-satellite link
- 3. Deliver information to customer
- \rightarrow Reduce latency from several hours to 5 min!

First on-orbit detection:

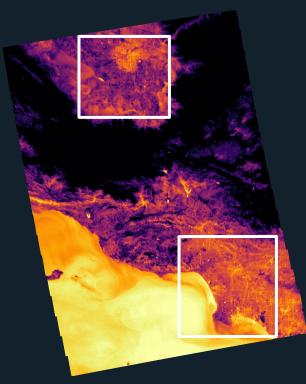


Smallest detected fire ~10 m

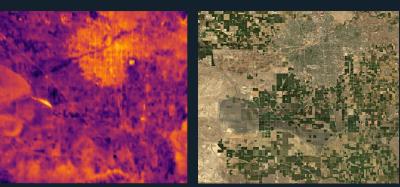


Urban Scenes

California - 23.09.2022 - 05:32 UTC (22:32 PST) LWIR band



Bakersfield



Los Angeles



FOREST-2

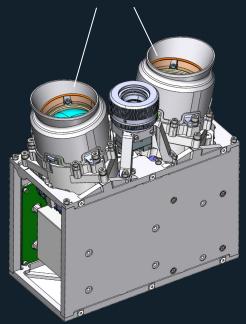
Our latest sensor







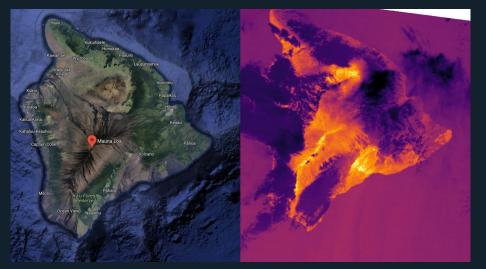
Twin IR camera



FOREST-2 First Images

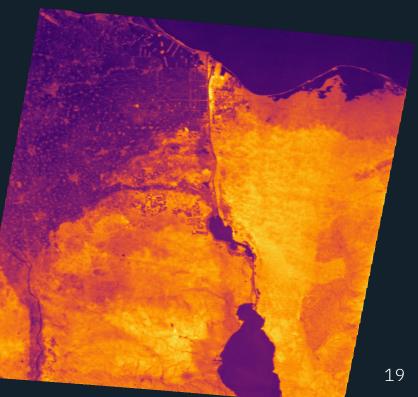
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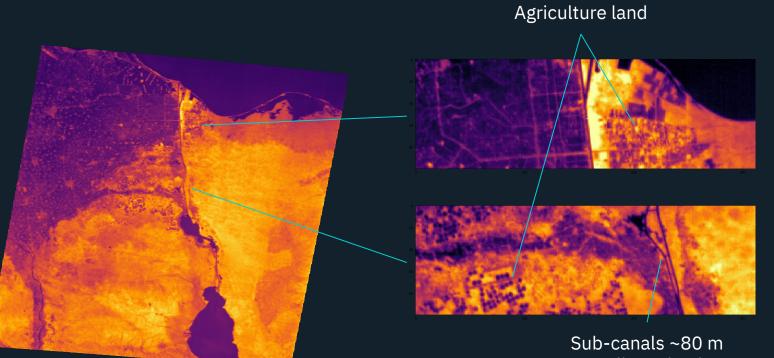


Suez Canal, Egypt



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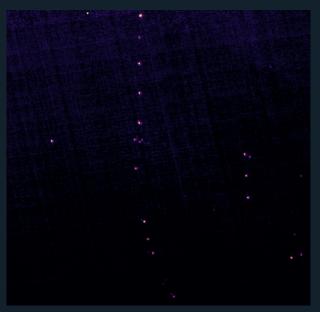


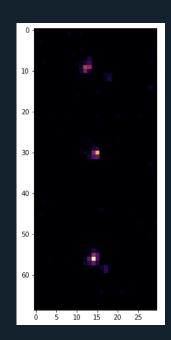


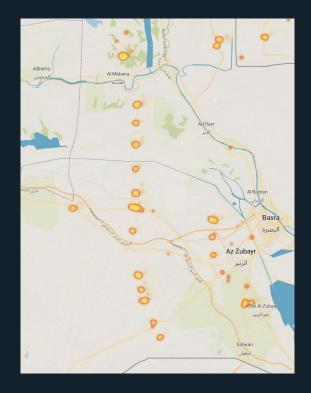
well resolved

Gas Flares

Basra Oil Fields, Iraq MWIR 2023-08-26 00:23



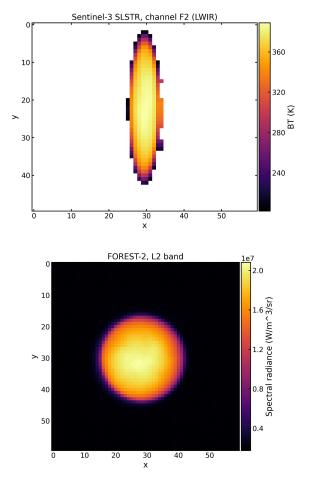






Calibration

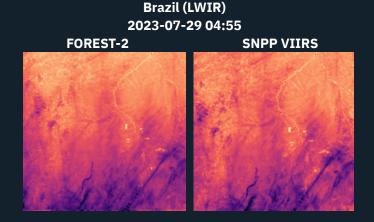
- Radiometric on-ground calibration
 - Using NIST-traceable blackbodies
 - Measuring gains and offsets
- In-flight calibration (L1)
 - Shutter as radiometric reference
 - Deep space observations
 - Calibration to S3-SLSTR fire bands via quasi-simultaneous Lunar acquisitions (WIP)



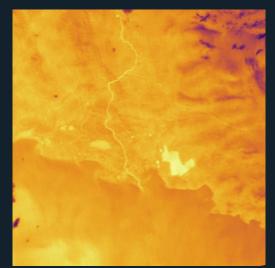
Validation & Data Quality

- Validation plan
 - Quasi-simultaneous Earth acquisitions with S3, VIIRS, ...
 - Ground stations (La Crau, Lake Tahoe, ...)
- OT part of ESA-CCM
 - Collaboration with Sentinel Mission Performance Cluster

Quasi-simultaneous acquisition



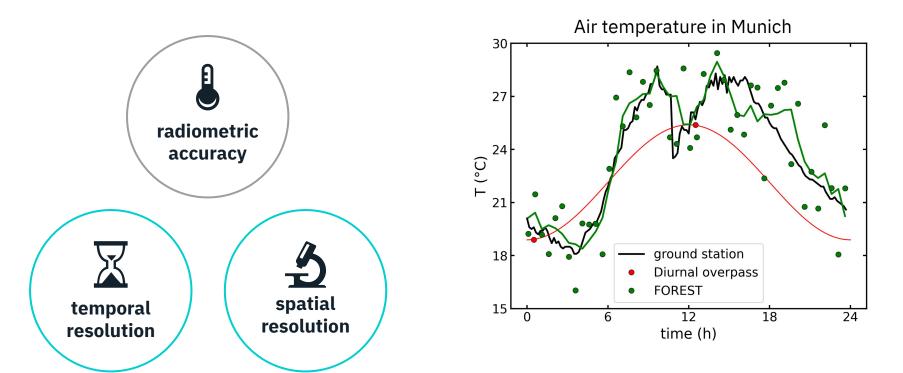
TIRCALNet La Crau - France (LWIR) 2023-08-05 00:31





Trade Off





Summary

- High-frequency TIR data next year
- Cal/Val procedures in active development
 - Challenge: scaling to a constellation of 100 satellites
- Open for collaboration





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