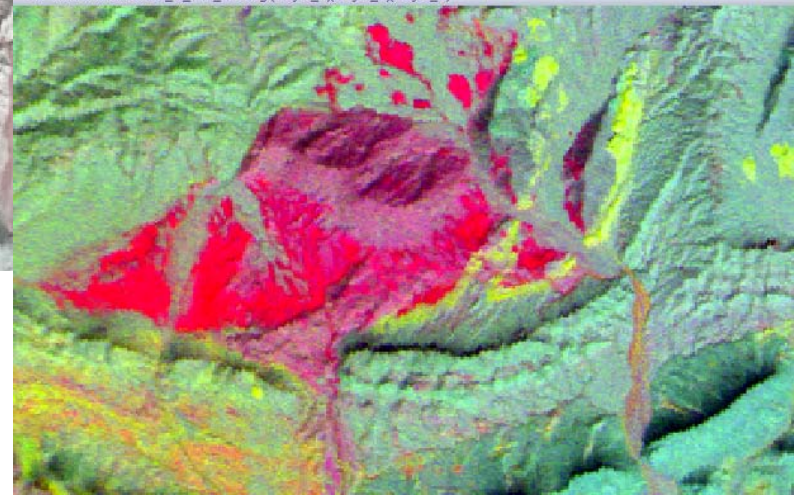


Landsat True Color



Master Thermal Radiance



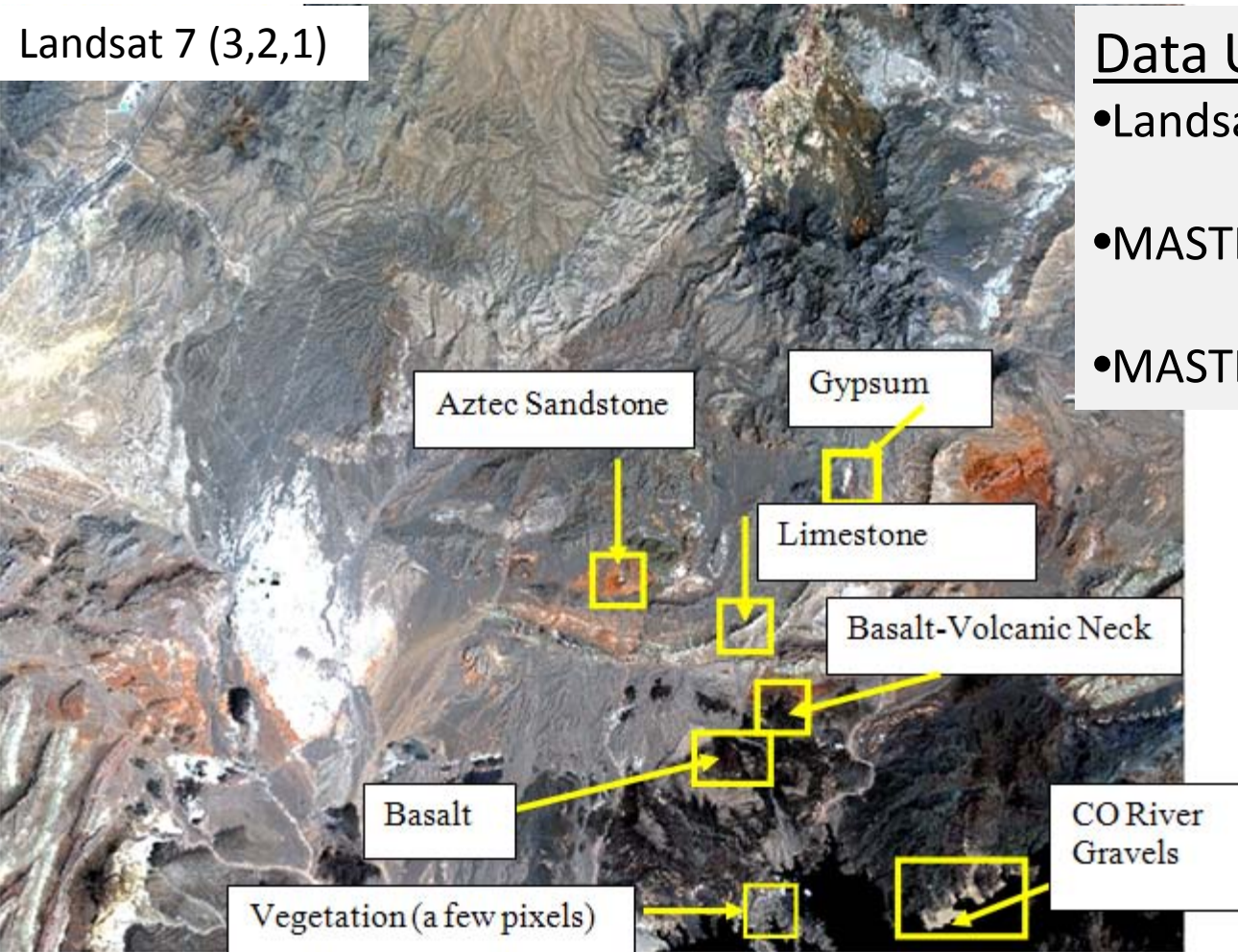
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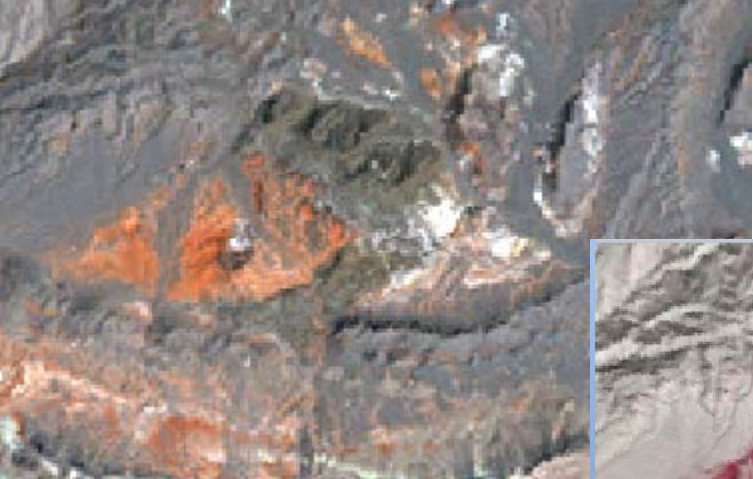


## Data Used:

- Landsat Image
- MASTER Radiance Thermal Bands
- MASTER decorrelation stretch

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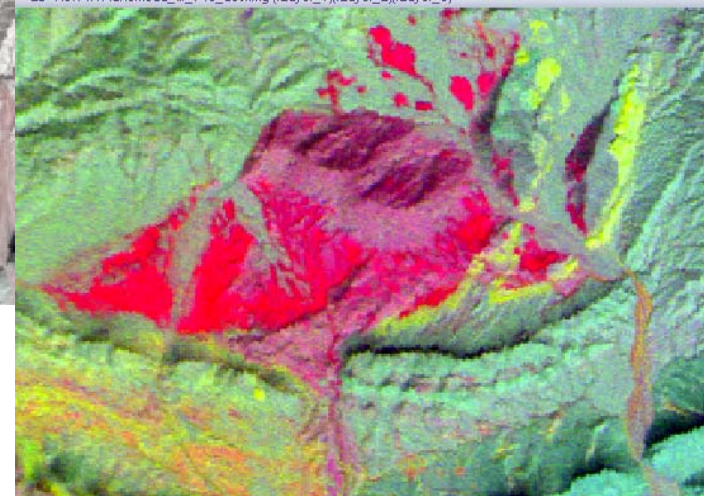




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Master Thermal Radiance



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**Lab Part 1:** Manipulate thermal imagery to look at rock types

**Lab Part 2:** Determine what wavelengths are appropriate for discriminating between rock types

# Remote Sensing Course Goals

Solve a geospatial problem by asking:

- What is the question?
- Is remote sensing an appropriate tool?
- What data do you need?
- What enhancement could you use?
- How would you make a map?
- How would you assess your map/analysis?

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# Remote Sensing Course Goals

- What data do you need?

- Spatial Resolution
- Temporal Resolution
- Radiometric Resolution

- Spectral Resolution

- VIS is sensitive to
- NIR is sensitive to
- SWIR is sensitive to
- TIR is sensitive to
- Radar is sensitive to

# Remote Sensing Course Goals

- What data do you need?
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  - Radiometric Resolution
  - Spectral Resolution
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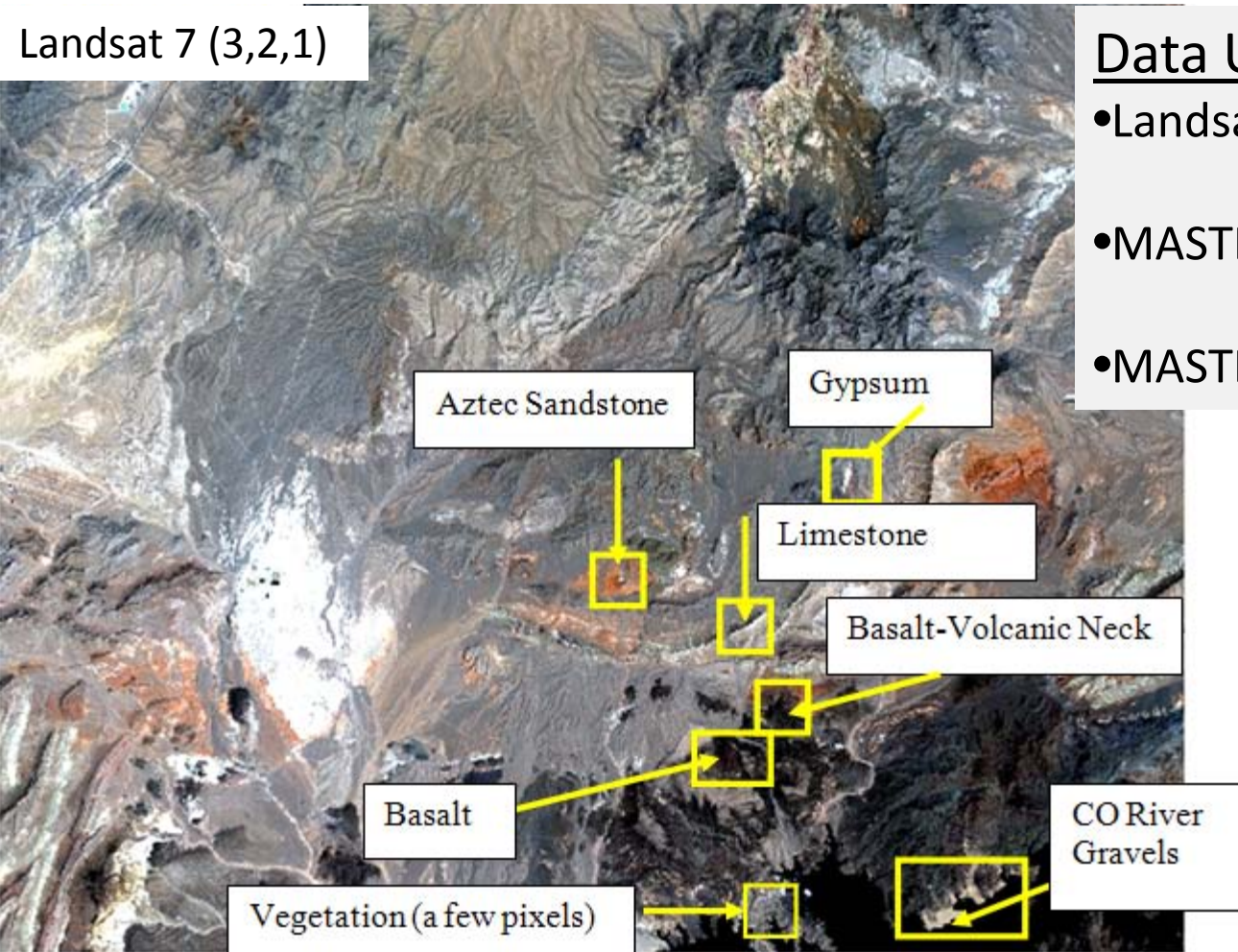
# Lab Goals

- Part 1
  - Demonstrate the similarities between analysis of VIS/NIR/SWIR and TIR imagery
  - Review TIR specific attributes
- Part 2
  - Choose the appropriate spectral wavelengths to differentiate between geologic units/materials



# Lake Mead East of Las Vegas, NV

Landsat 7 (3,2,1)



## Data Used:

- Landsat Image
- MASTER Radiance Thermal Bands
- MASTER decorrelation stretch

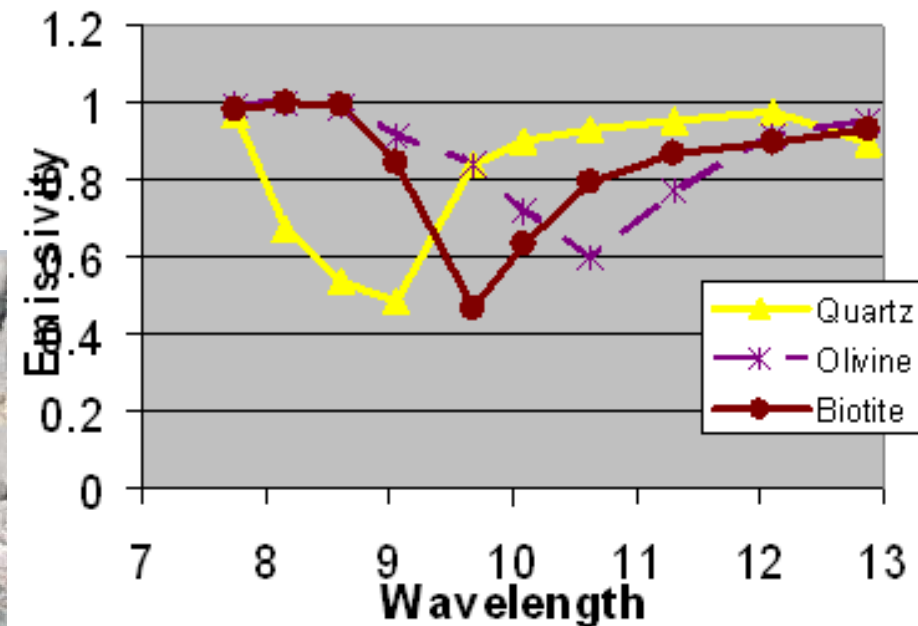
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# Lab Goals

- Show similarities between analysis of VIS/NIR/SWIR and TIR imagery
  - RGB combinations work the same in TIR as in VIS/NIR/SWIR

4. *If you created a MASTER (743) image, what color would quartz rich materials appear? (Use the table of band wavelengths above)*

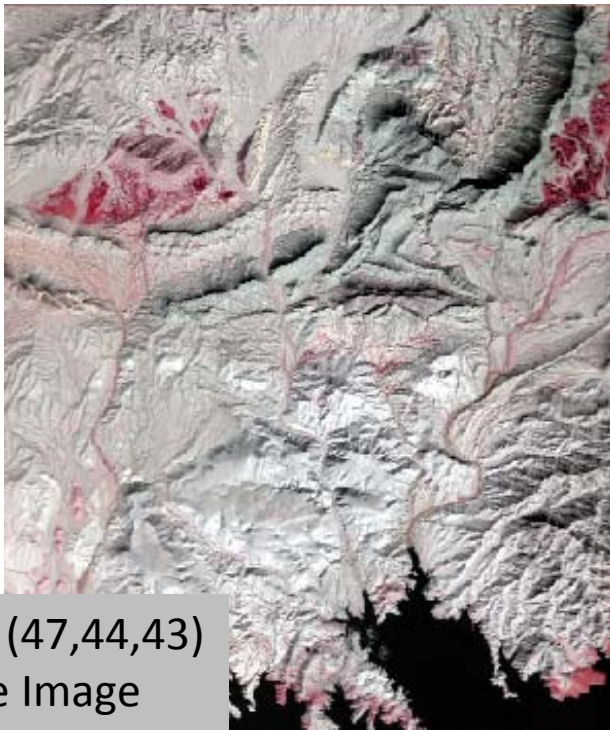
✓ *Create a 743 image of the TIR radiance image*



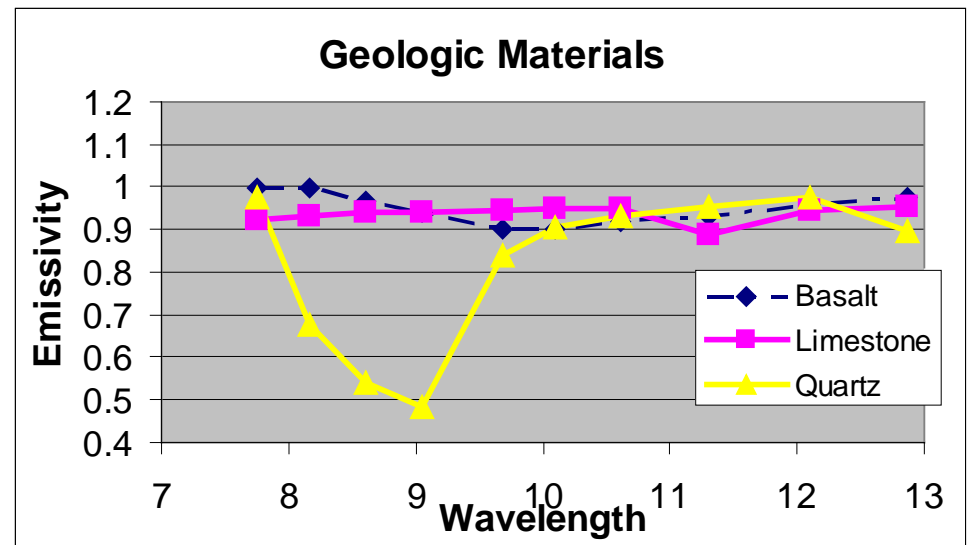
# Lab Goals

## 2. Review TIR specific attributes

- Radiance value reflects emissivity and temp
- Sensitive to Si-O bond ← TIR is more than just about temperature!
- Linear Mixing/bulk composition
- Similar emissivity values cause highly correlated bands



MASTER (47,44,43)  
Radiance Image

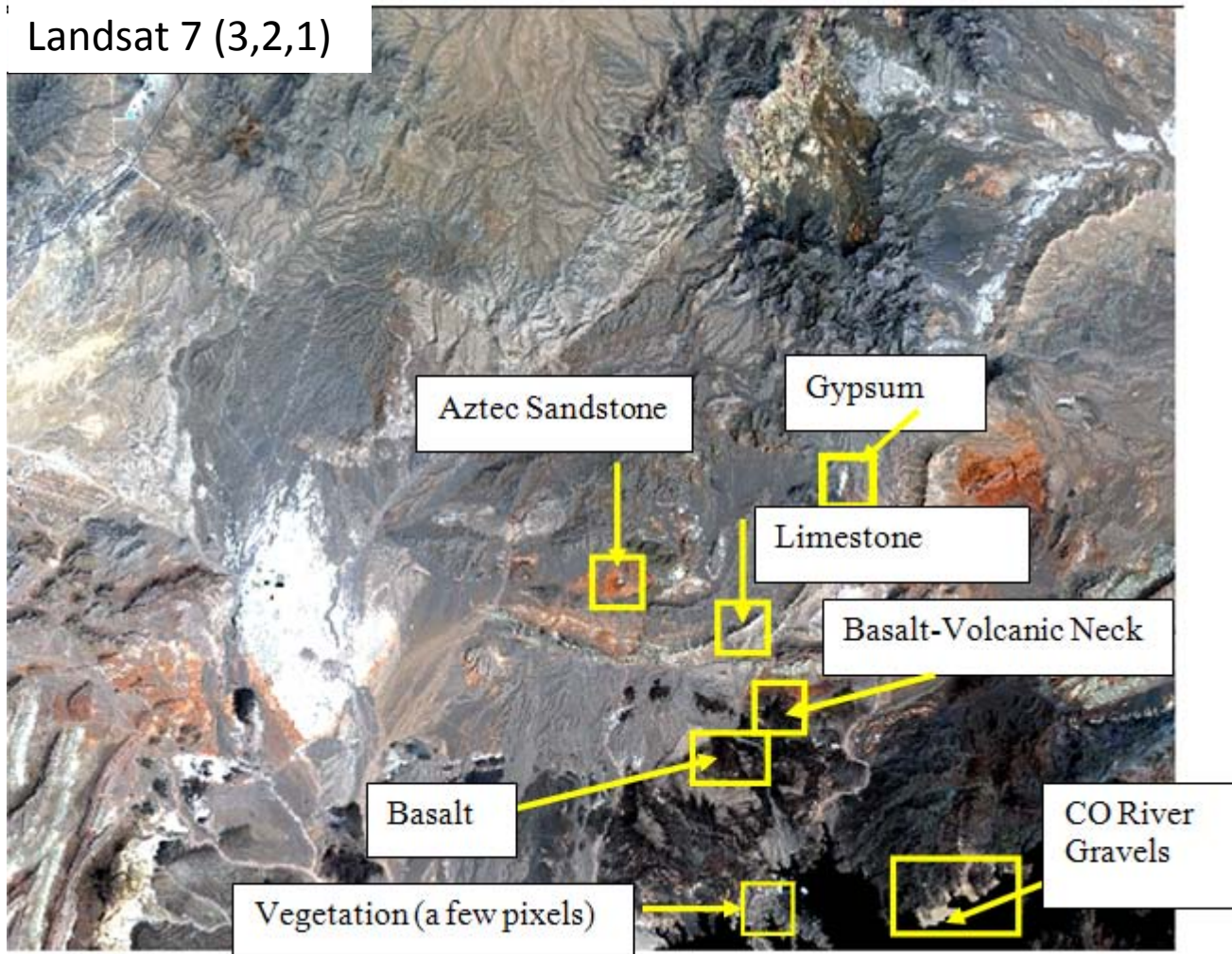


# Lab Goals

3. Choose the appropriate wavelengths to differentiate between materials
  - Develop “Rules of thumb” for TIR imagery
- What data do you need?
  - Spatial Resolution
  - Temporal Resolution
  - Radiometric Resolution
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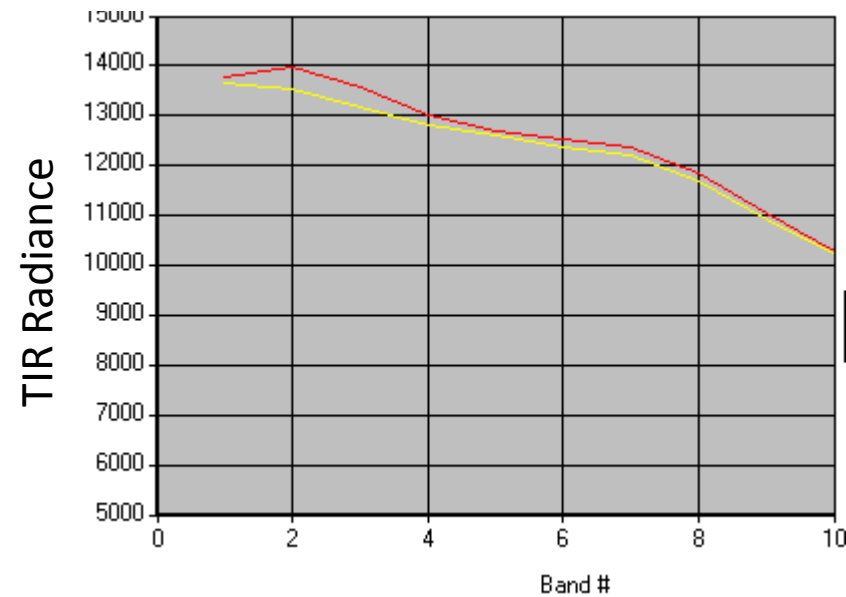
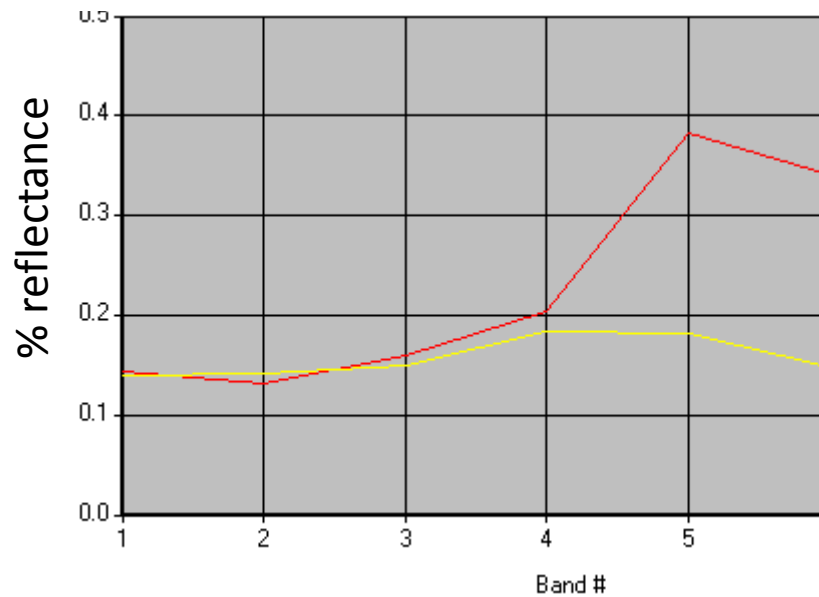
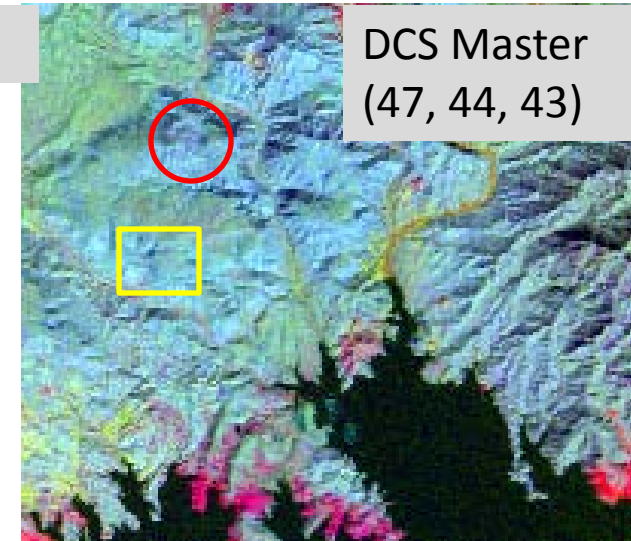
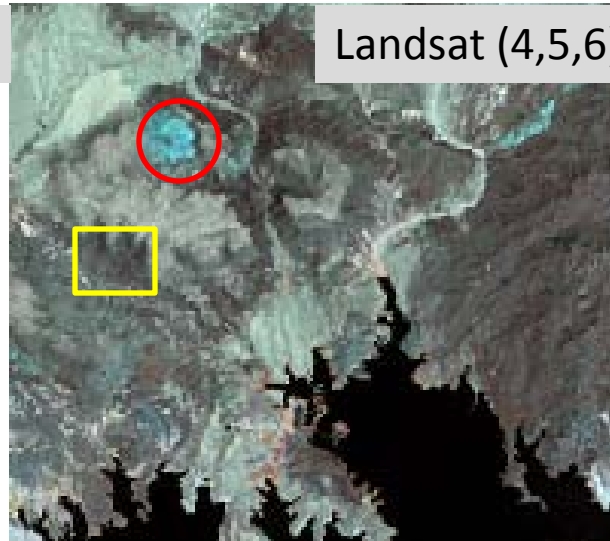
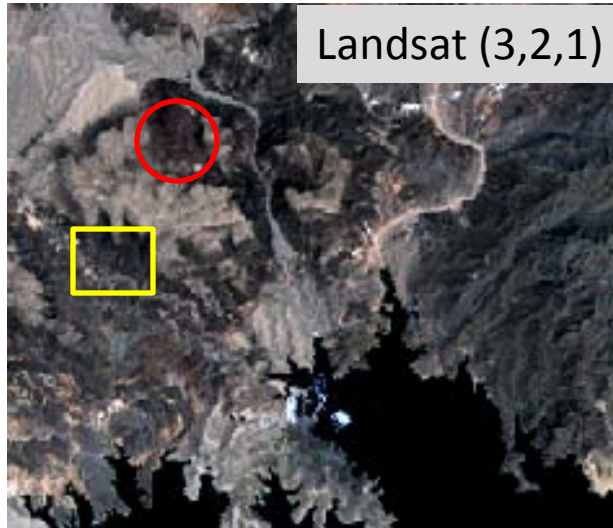
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	Visible (321)	NIR/SWIR (456)	TIR
Basalt vs. Volcanic Neck	?	?	?

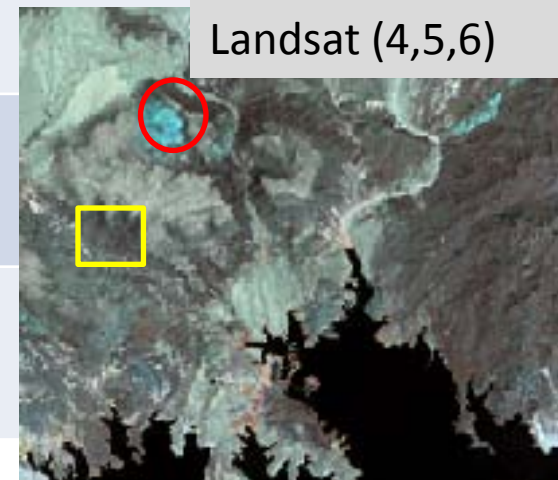


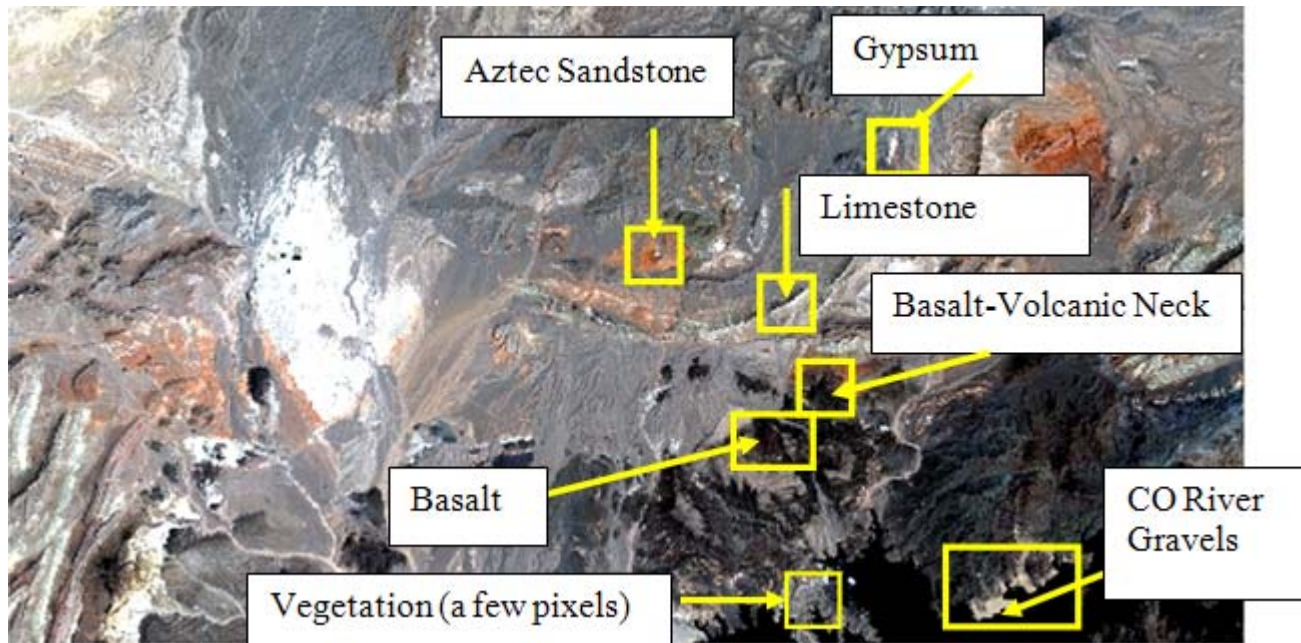
	Visible (321)	NIR/SWIR (456)	TIR
Basalt vs. Volcanic Neck	No	Yes	No



# Remote Sensing Analysis Steps

What is the question?	How do you differentiate Basalt vs. a Basaltic Volcanic Neck
Is remote sensing an appropriate tool?	Yes
What data do you need?	NIR/SWIR-because sensitive to ferrous iron
What enhancement could you use?	RGB Combinations
How would you make a map?	NA
How would you assess your map/analysis?	NA

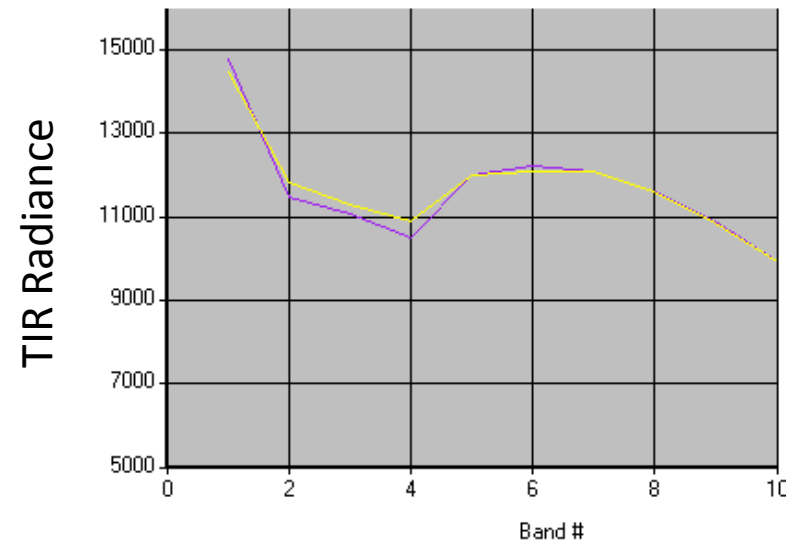
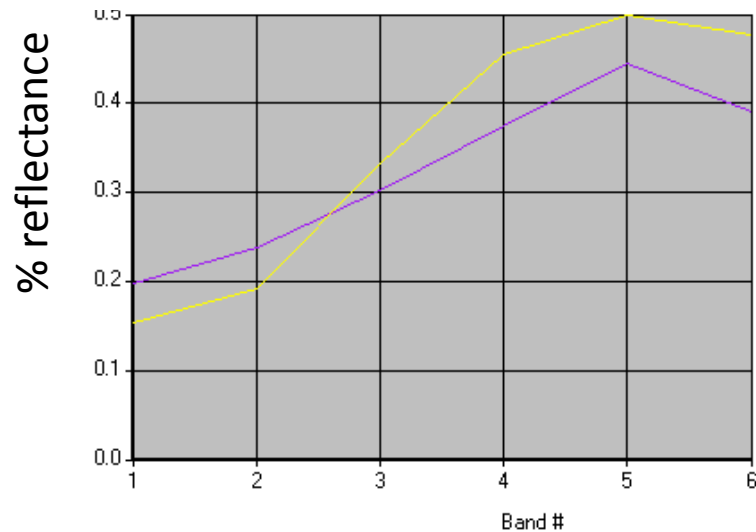
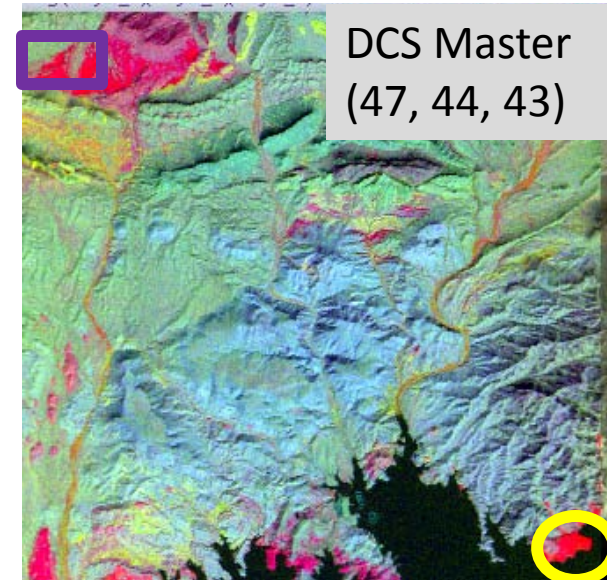
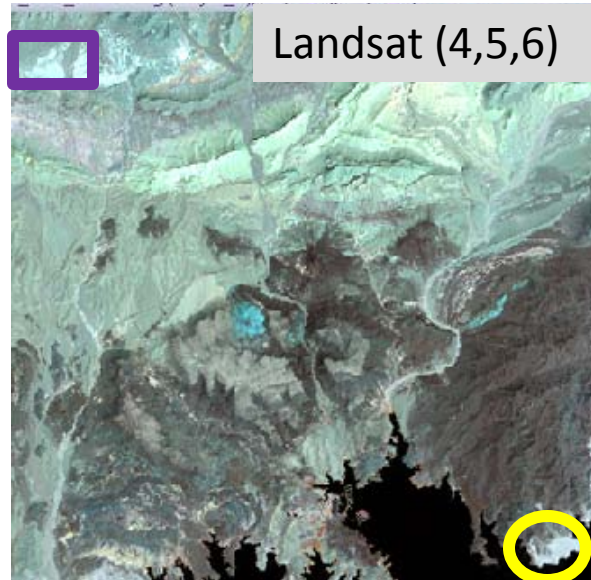
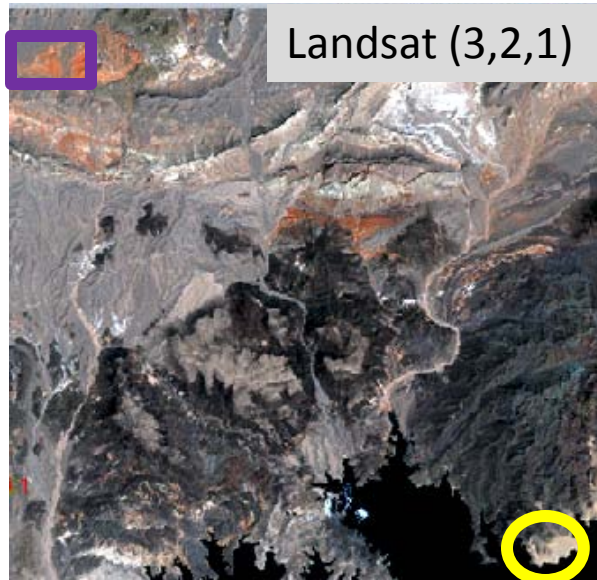




	Visible (321)	NIR/SWIR (456)	TIR
Aztec Sandstone vs. Colorado River Gravels			

	Visible (321)	NIR/SWIR (456)	TIR
Limestone vs. Colorado River Gravels			

	Visible (321)	NIR/SWIR (456)	TIR
Aztec Sandstone vs. Colorado River Gravels	YES	NO	NO





# TIR “Rules of thumb” to walk away with at the end of lab

- TIR is good to use when:
  - Materials can be differentiated on bulk geologic compositions (i.e. linear mixing)
  - When you are looking for geologic categories such as quartz rich, mafic, or metamorphic.
- TIR is challenging when:
  - Small components are the basis of differentiation



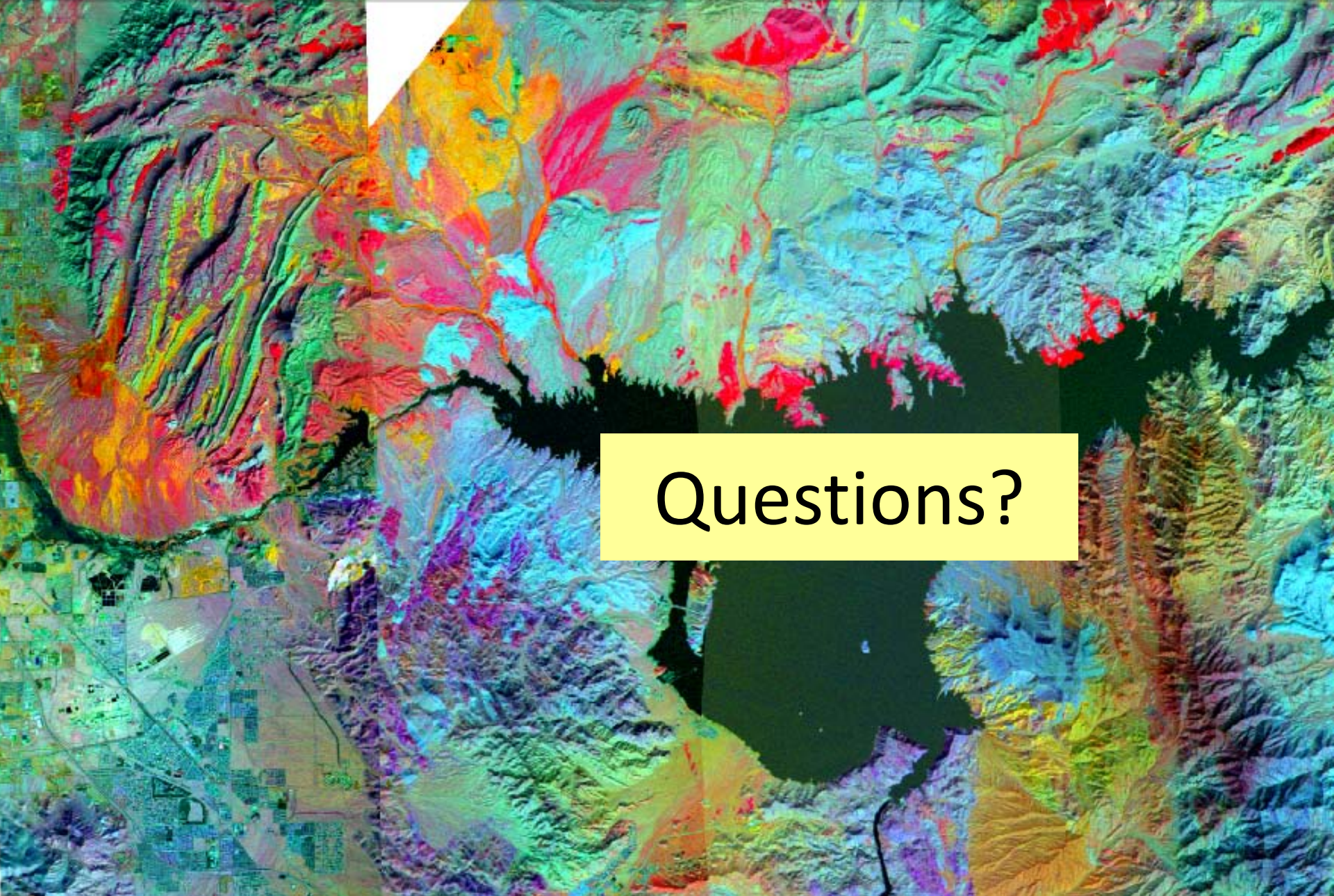
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- TIR is sensitive to bulk composition, geologic rock types
- Radar is sensitive to



Questions?

Lake Mead, MASTER (47,44,43)  
Decorrelation Stretch Mosaic