MODIS Land Product Subsets:

Remote Sensing Products for Field Sites (Collections 4 and 5)

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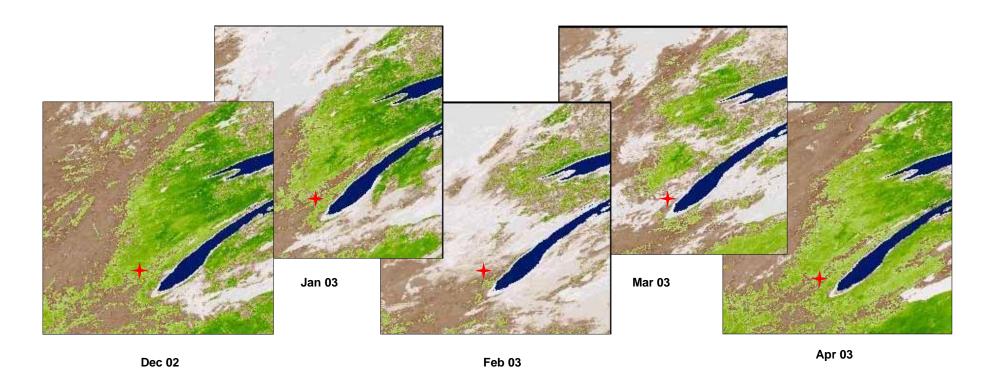
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Background

- ORNL DAAC supports the biogeochemical dynamics and terrestrial ecology (field) research community
 - Field Campaigns, Land Product Validation, Ecosystem Modeling, and Model Archive
- Community requested that we prepare MODIS Land Products in an easy-to-use format and size
 - To validate remote sensing products
 - To characterize field sites
 - For use in modeling studies
- Collection 5 Subsets: in development, beta test version
- Collection 4 Subsets: subsetted products available through Sept. 2008

Preparing time series from remote sensing tiles



NDVI Tiles for cropland site in Wisconsin

+ Field Site Location

^{*} Images from USGS Global Visualization Viewer http://glovis.usgs.gov/



First tool: MODIS Subsets for Selected Sites

Data Formats Offered (Coll. 5)

- ASCII 7x7 km subsets
- GeoTIFF 25x25 km subsets

Products are:

8-day, 16-day, or annual composite periods

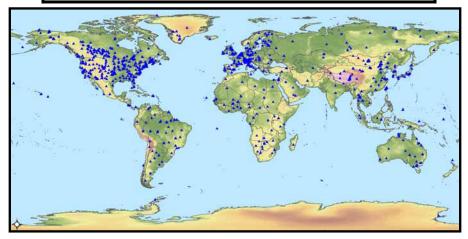
1 km, 500 m, or 250 m resolution

Documentation about subsets and links to detailed documentation of the MODIS products are provided

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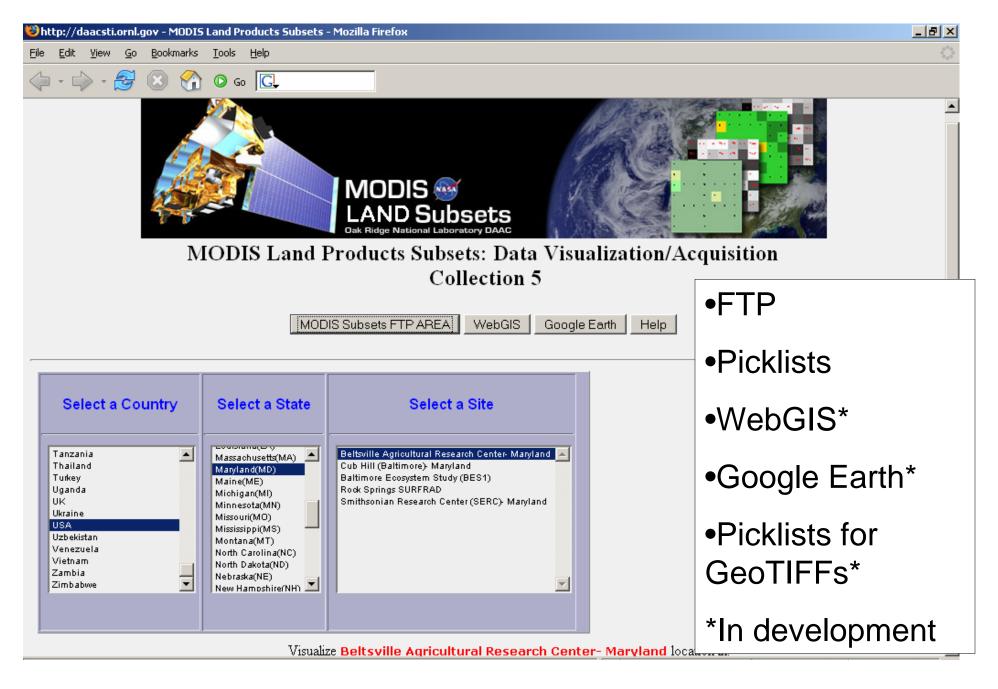
280 field sites for MODIS Collection 4

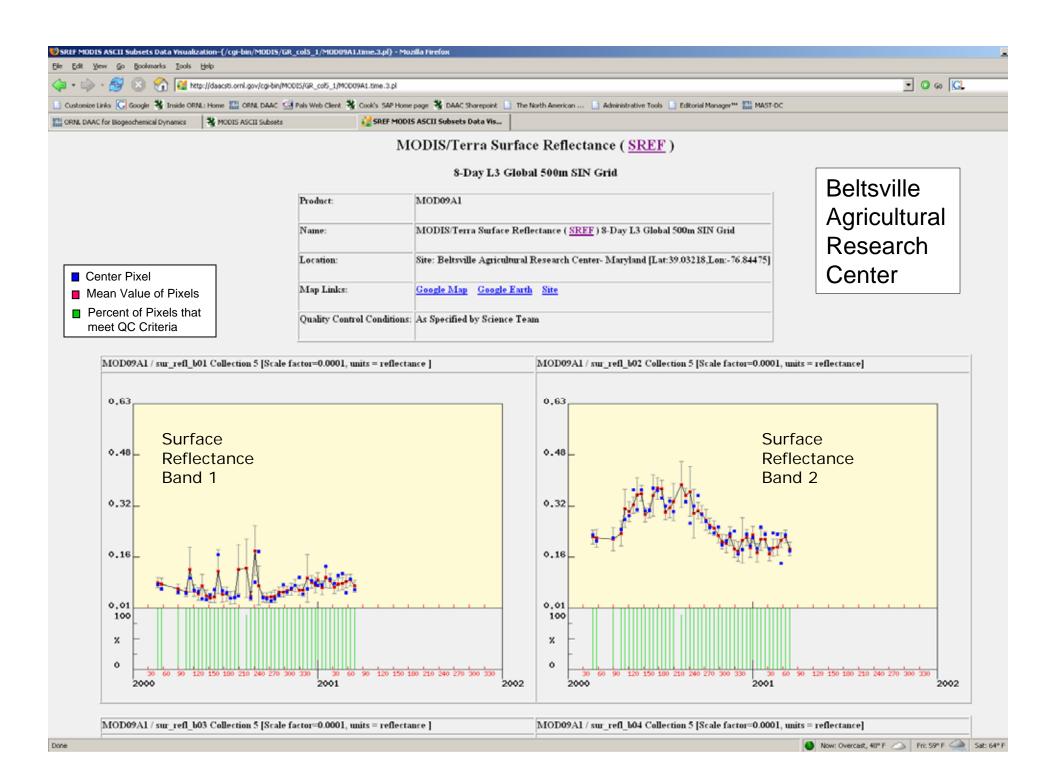
Surface Reflectance (MOD09A1)
Surface Temperature (MOD11A2)
Land Cover (MOD12Q1)
Vegetation Phenology (MOD12Q2)
NDVI / EVI (MOD/MYD13Q1)
LAI / fPAR (MOD / MYD15A2)
Net Photosynthesis (MOD17A2)
Annual NPP (MOD17A3)
Albedo (calc) (from MCD43A1,2)
Reflectance – BRDF Adjusted (MCD43A2,4)

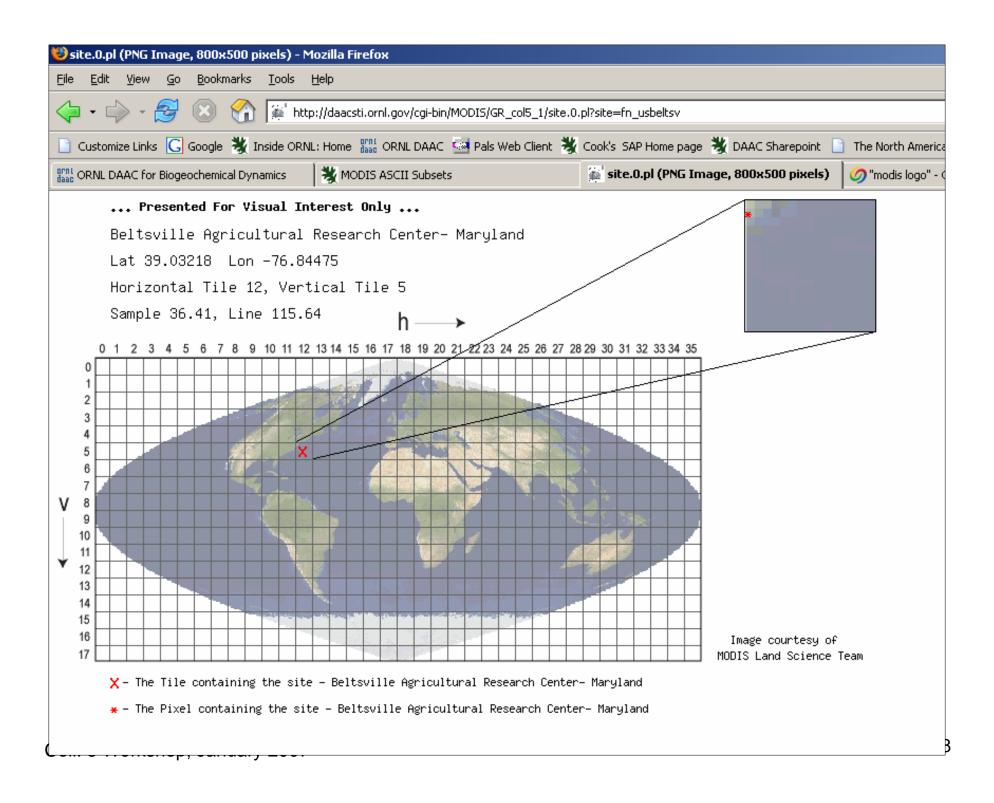


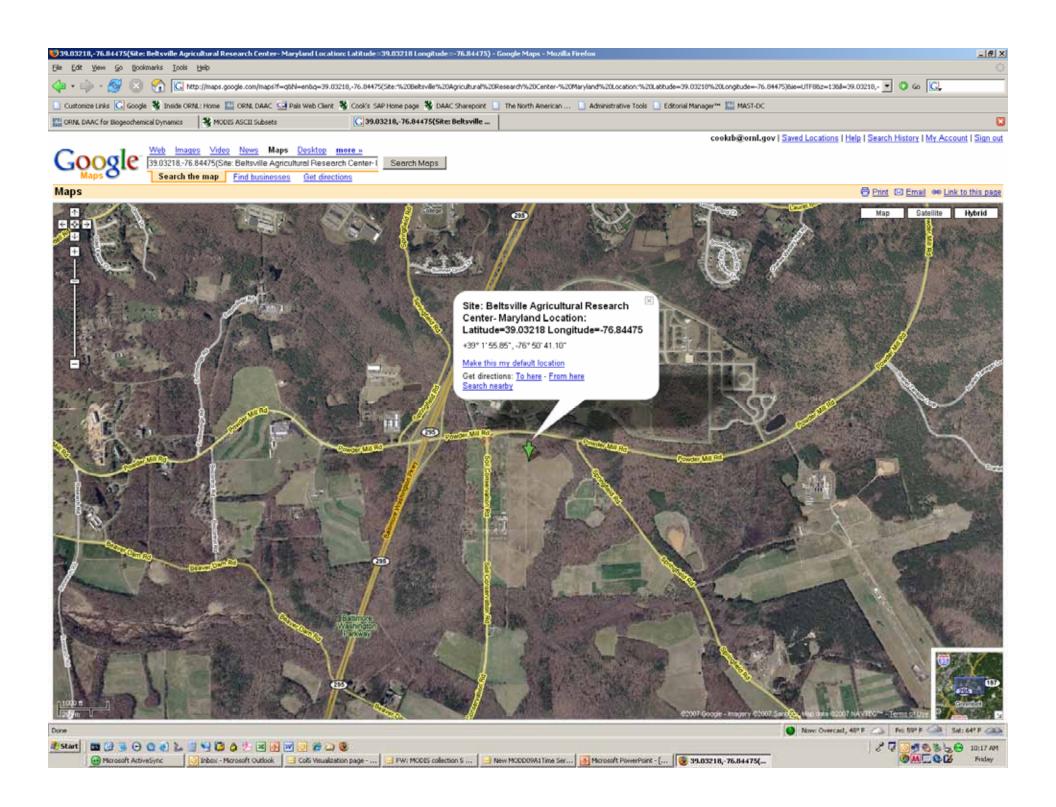
1,052 field sites for MODIS Collection 5

Multiple paths to access data (Coll.5)

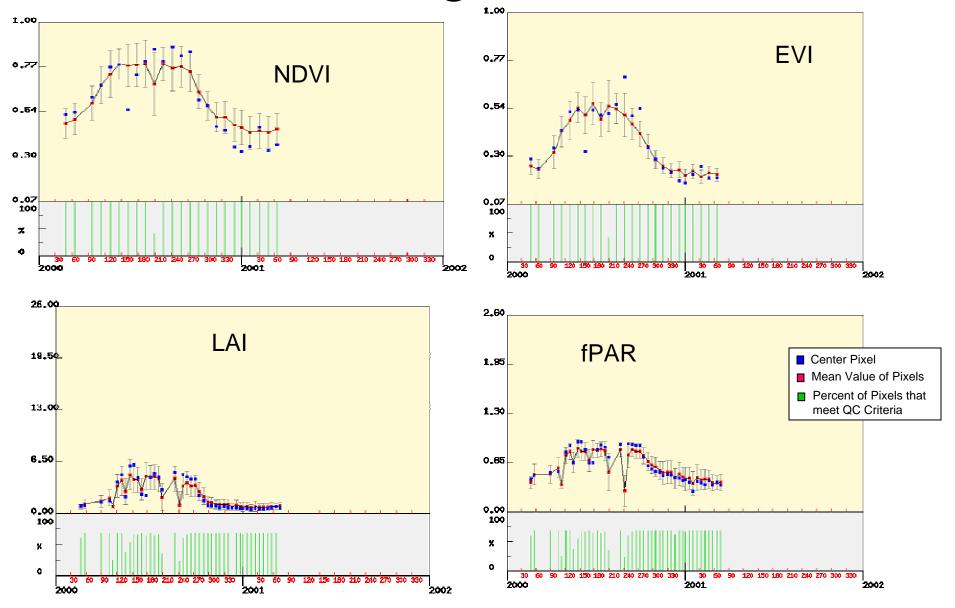




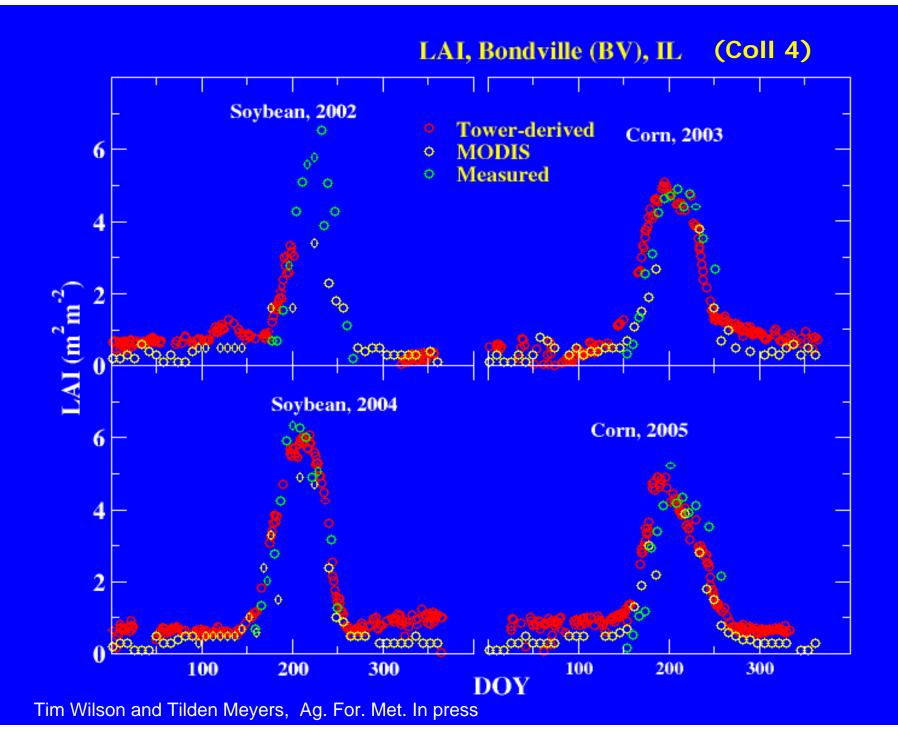




Beltsville Ag Center, MD



Coll. 5 Workshop, January 2007



MODIS ASCII Subsets: Advanced Data Visualization

Leaf Area Index (LAI) and Fraction of Photosynthetically Active Radiation (FPAR)

8-Day Composite [Collection 5]

Beltsville Agricultural Research Center- Maryland

Select ANY or NONE of EACH Quality Control(QC) measure

Preselected QC defaults will exhibit "Good Quality" Pixel Representations

Note: Those pixels that have the selected QC conditions (e.g., "Main(RT) method failed due to geometry problems, empirical method used" or "Main(RT) method failed due to problems other than geometry, empirical method used" or "Couldn't retrieve pixel") are not displayed

MODLAND QC

Best Possible
OK, but not the best
Not produced, due to cloud
Not produced due to other reasons

DEADDECTECOR

Detectors apparently fine for up to 50% of channnels 1,2

Dead dectectors caused > 50% adjacent dectector retrieval

CLOUDSTATE

Significant clouds NOT present (clear)
Significant clouds WERE present
Mixed cloud present on pixel
cloud state not defined, assumed clear

User can select and apply QC criteria, then display and download resulting files

SCF_QC [Science Computing Facility Quality Control]

Main(RT) method used with the best possible results

Main(RT) method used with saturation

Main(RT) method failed due to geometry problems, empirical method used

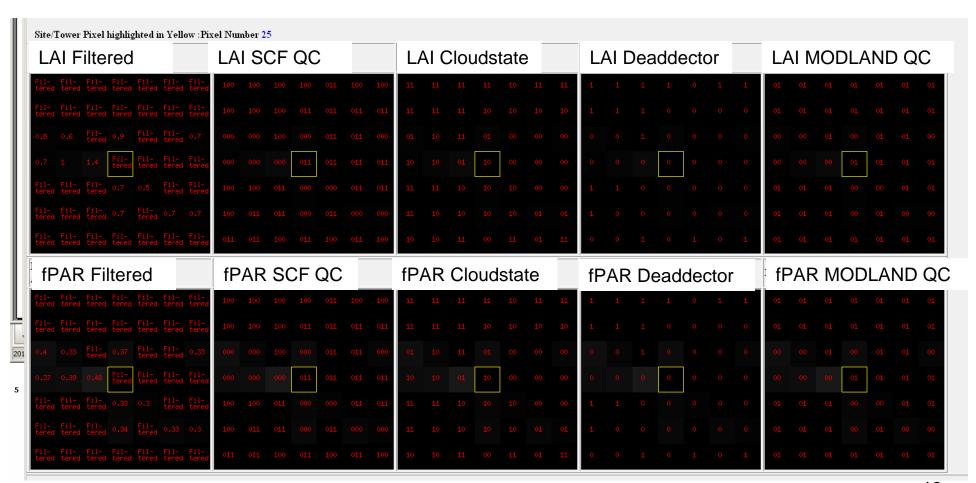
Main(RT) method failed due to problems other than geometry, empirical method used

Couldn't retrieve pixel

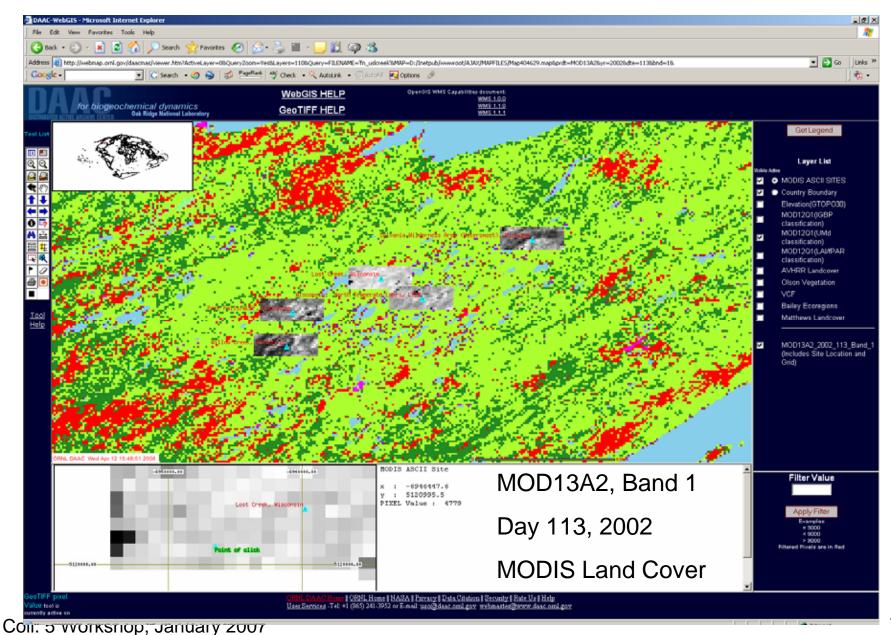


Advanced Visualization: Grids of QC Bits

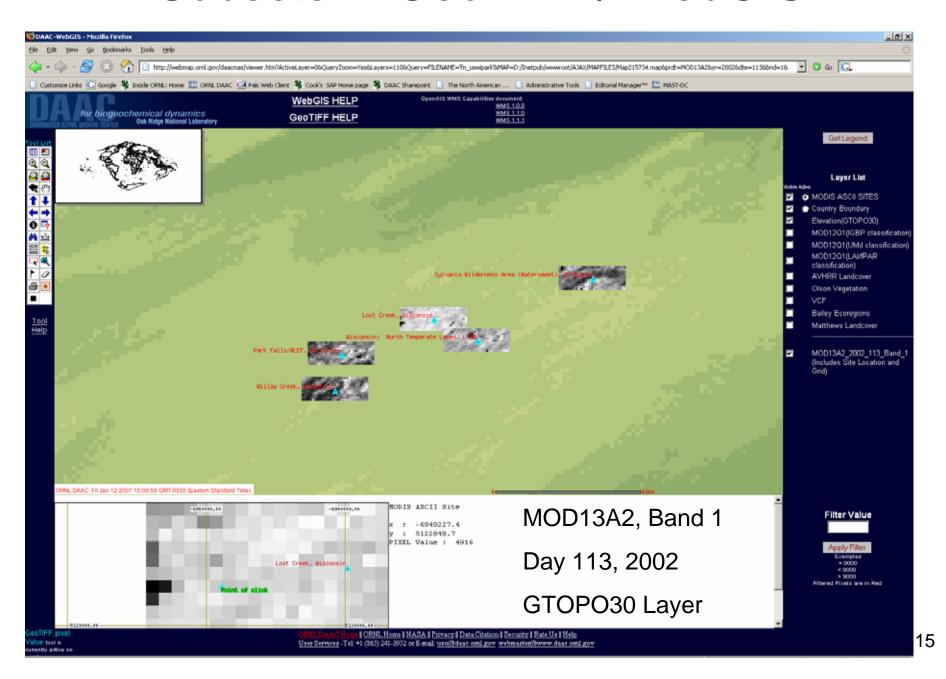
Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, Maryland, LAI / fPAR, Year 2000 Day 113



Subsets in GeoTIFF / WebGIS (Coll 4)



Subsets in GeoTIFF / WebGIS





Second Tool: Custom Subsets for North America

- User Working Group requested that we expand our subsetting to allow users to select
 - Site not limited to pre-selected sites
 - Area 7 x 7 km too small
 - Time period instead of entire MODIS record

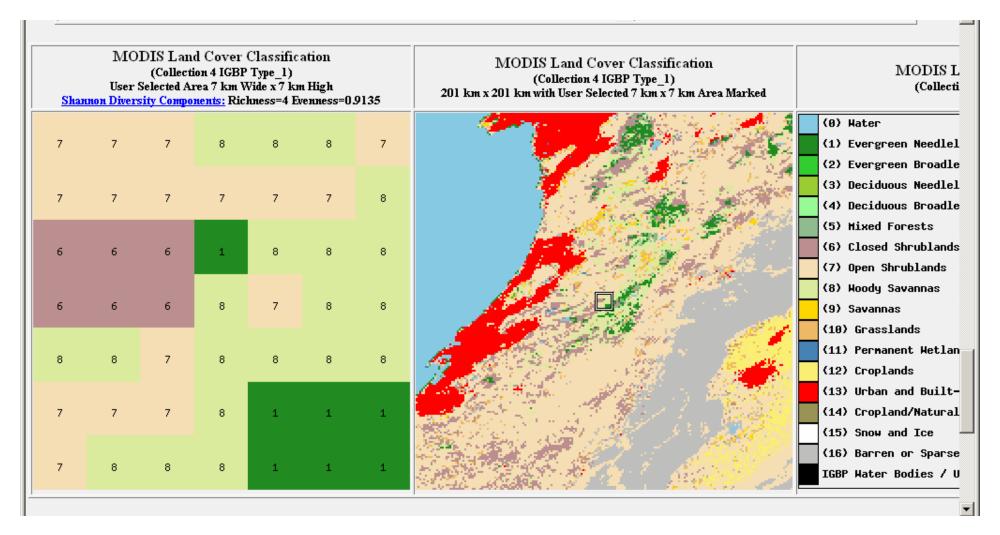


Second Tool (Coll. 4)

- User selects center coordinates or site in North America, areal extent (up to 201 x 201 km), and period of interest
- Processing of time series (selection of tiles, mosaicking, generating time series data file and graphs) takes 10 to 60 minutes for most products (depends on area, time period, and product)
- URL with graphs and pointers to data files is emailed to user

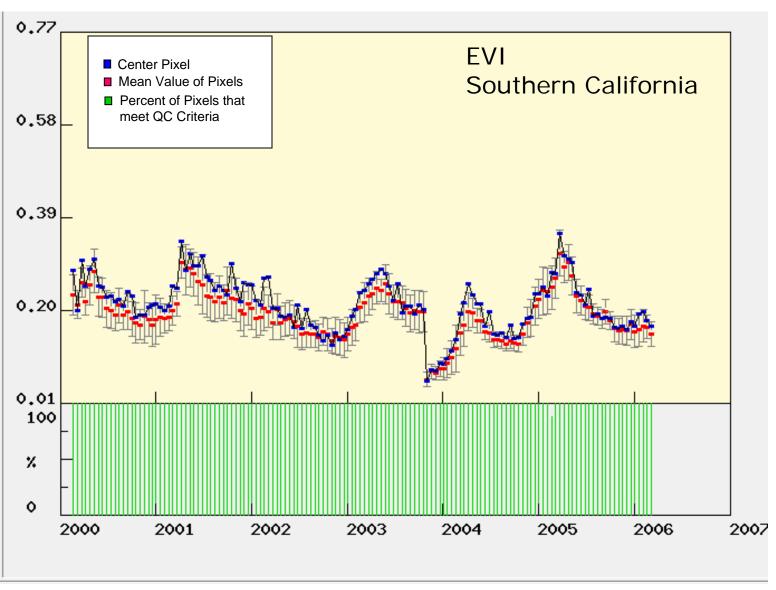


Land Cover Visualization



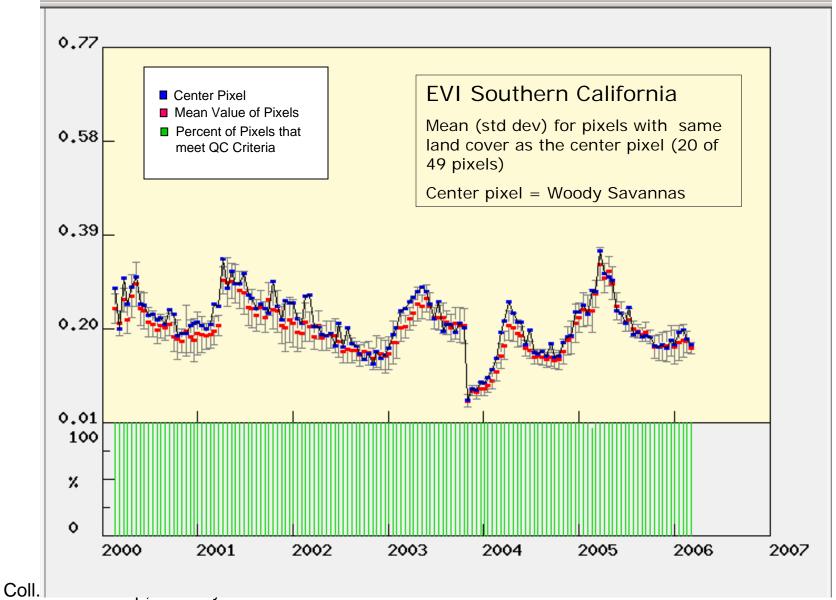


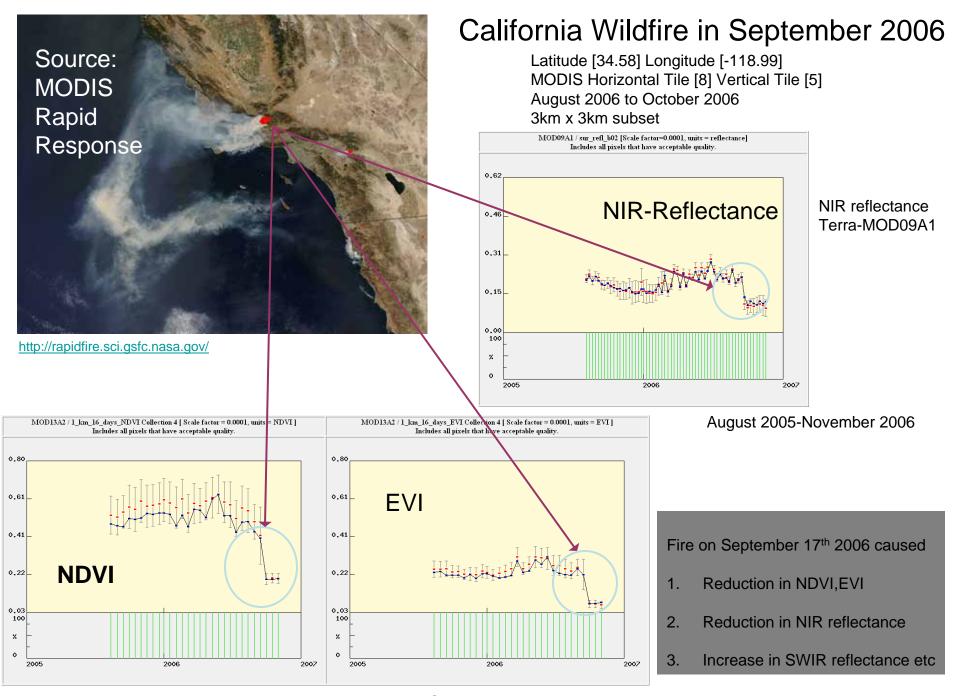
Time Series Example





Time Series Example





August 2005-November 2006

NDVI and EVI – Terra–MOD13A2



Data Download Options

- ASCII formatted file
- Image data files in ASCII Grid format
- QC-filtered data and statistics
- Land cover data in ASCII Grid Format
- Summary statistics for MODIS Land Products (ASCII)



- Tool used in Undergrad / graduate classes
 - Alfred Huete, University of Arizona
 - Jim Randerson, UC Irvine
 - David Roy, South Dakota State
 - "....extremely useful for scientists, students, lecture's and also for PR."

What's coming?

- MODIS Collection 5 data for selected sites
 - Beta test now
 - Send us your comments
- Global Subsetting Tool for Collection 5
 - Create subsets of MODIS land products for any location on land anywhere on the globe
 - Quicker turn around time
 - Available Spring 2007
- Subsets of MODIS 4 NACP products
 - Smoothed LAI & fPAR and Vegetation Indices; Land surface water index
- Tools
 - More GIS functionality
 - New visualization features

Questions?

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Extra Slides

MODIS Land Product Subsets

(Collection 4)

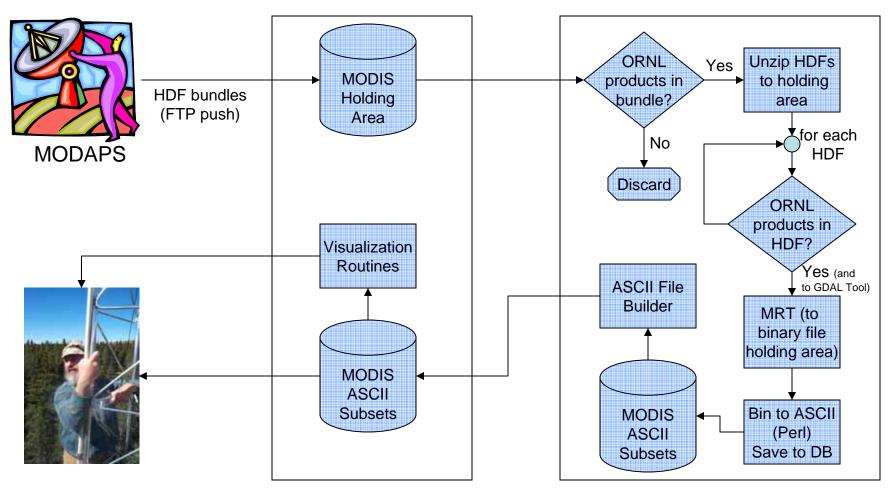
MODIS ASCII Subsets

- 18 Land Products from MODIS (Terra and Aqua)
- Pre-selected time period (2000 present) and sites (n = 280 worldwide)
- Area of 7 x 7 km (ASCII)
- Area of 31 x 11 km (GeoTIFF)
- Data files stored on FTP
- One file per product-site
 - File contains all dates and SDS*
- Upon-request visualization of single composite period grid or time series
- User can select and apply QC criteria, then display and download resulting files (Advanced Visualization)

Tool For North America

- 18 Land Products from MODIS (Terra and Aqua)
- User selected time period and location (center pixel) for North America
- User selected area from 1 x 1 km up to 201 x 201 km
- Data files generated upon-request for NA
 - ASCII file contains all SDS* and dates
- User receives URL via email (within an hour for most products)
 - Contains data and visualizations
- Use the Science Team's QC criteria

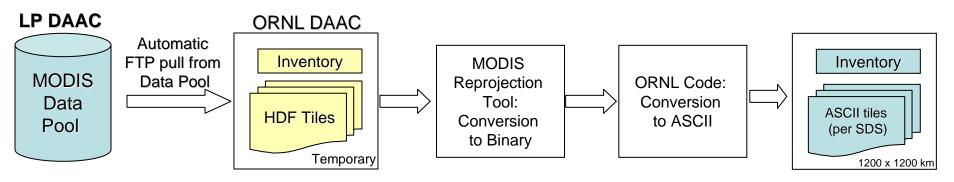
MODIS ASCII Subsets Data Flow



MODIS Subsets in GeoTIFF

- GeoTIFF image files
- ORNL receives 31 x 11 km HDF-EOS files from the MODIS Processing Stream
 - Optimum size: can be reprojected from SIN to UTM to yield a 7 x 7 km subset anywhere on earth
- ORNL uses GDAL Open Library tools to convert to GeoTIFF
- Developed picklists to select sites / products / dates
 - Can be viewed in WebGIS

Acquisition and Processing of MODIS Tiles: Tool for North America



Files for User Interface

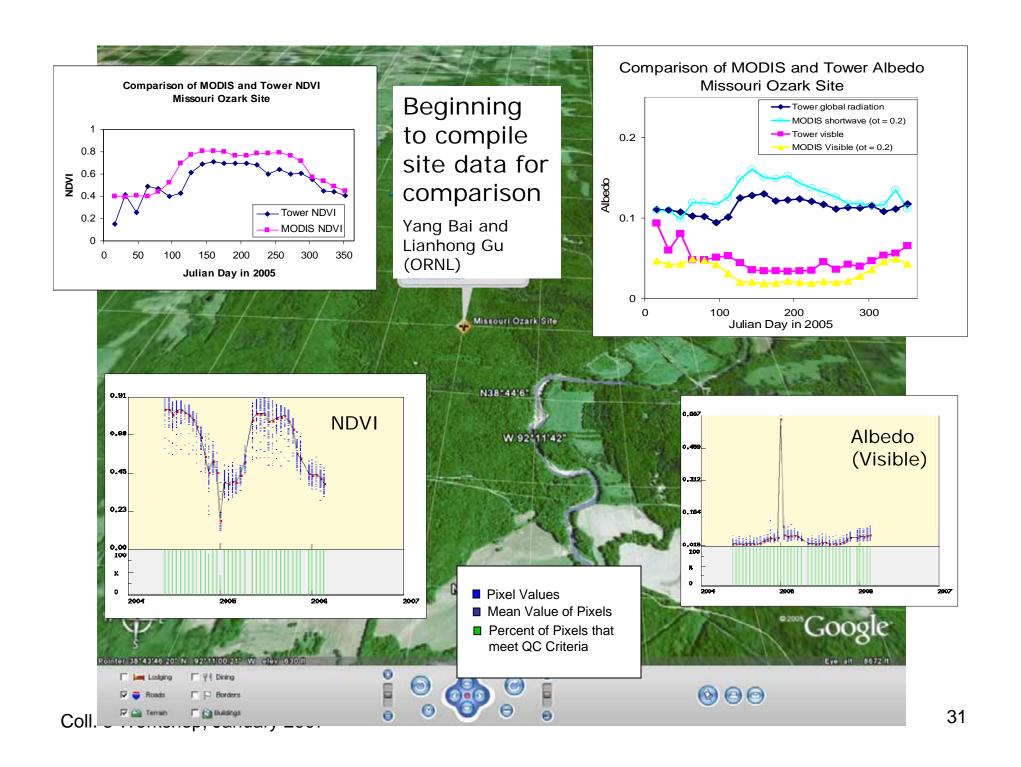
Computer Resources

Dedicated Server

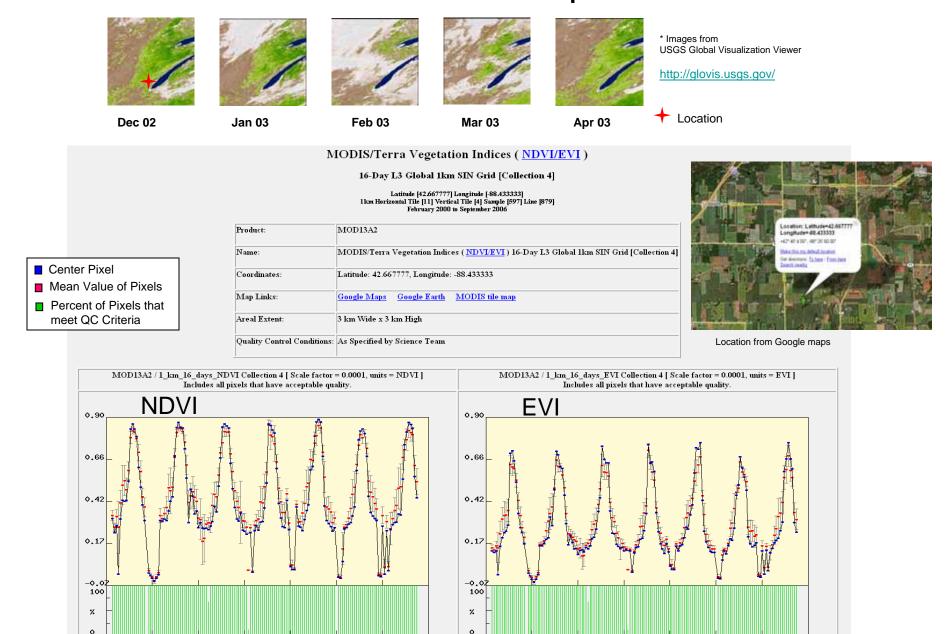
10 TB RAID storage

(capacity through 2009 for 1.5 TB/y)

SDS = Science Data Set



NDVI / EVI Time series for cropland in Wisconsin



Year