New observations obtained via applying remote sensing methods in geological hazard assessment, Southern Ethiopia

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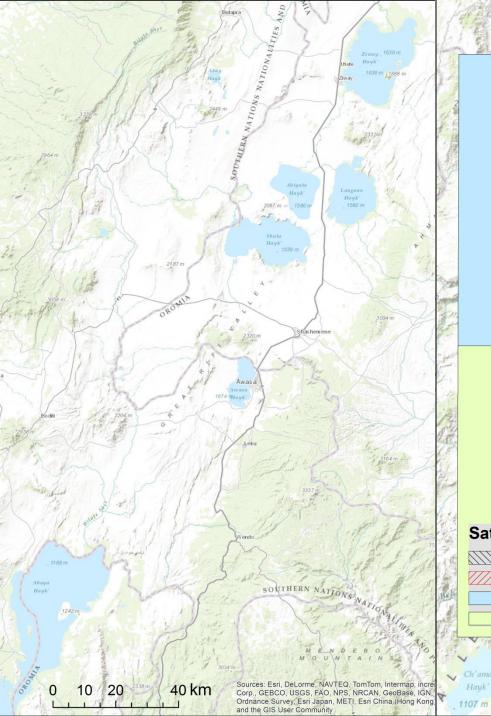
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# Overview

 Remote sensing data Applications • Morphotectonics • Mapping moist soils (nearsubsurface water) • Thermal anomalies, gradients • Summary, future remarks

# Overview on the RS data

- Digital elevation models (DEM)
- Satellite Radar data (active):
  ALOS PALSAR
- Satellite optical data (passive) :
  - Aster data (thermal sensing: day, night)
  - Landsat multi-temporal data



#### Satellite data coverage

Aster TIR (day+night) Radar: ALOS PALSAR Hosaina map sheet Dila map sheet

<sup>m/k</sup> 0 10 20<sup>3232</sup> 40 km

Sources: Esri, DeLorme, NAVTEQ, TomTom, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), swisstopo, and the GIS User Community

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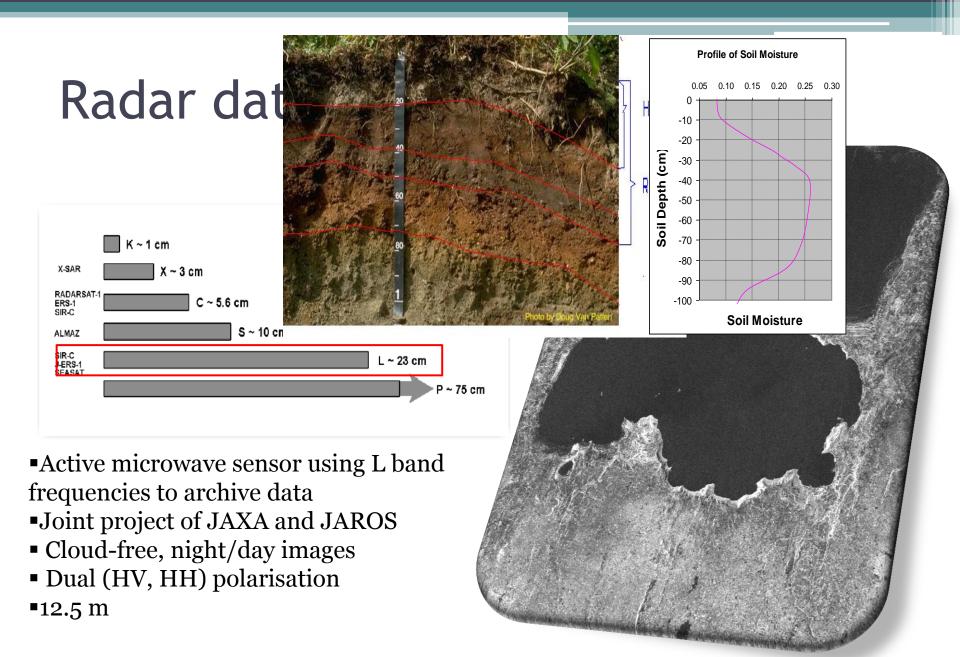
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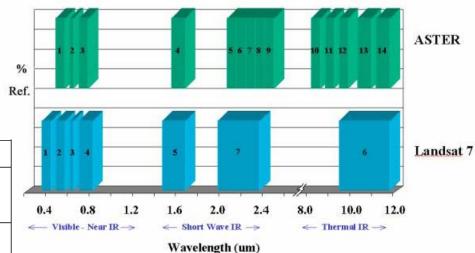
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## Optical/Thermal data: ASTER



Aster The Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer (ASTER) is an advanced multispectral imager that was launched on board NASA's Terra spacecraft in December, 1999.



#### 2001-2008 : VNIR/SWIR/TIR Since 2008: VNIR/TIR

### full scene 185km x 185 km

Subsystem	Band	Spectral Range (µm)	Spatial	Quantization
	No.		Resolution, m	Levels
	1	0.52-0.60		
VNIR	2	0.63-0.69	15	8 bits
	3N	0.78-0.86		
	3B	0.78-0.86		
SWIR	4	1.60-1.70		
	5	2.145-2.185		
	6	2.185-2.225	30	8 bits
	7	2.235-2.285		
	8	2.295-2.365		
	9	2.360-2.430		
TIR	10	8.125-8.475		
	11	8.475-8.825		
	12	8.925-9.275	90	12 bits
	13	10.25-10.95	]	
	14	10.95-11.65		

### ALOS PALSAR

- Detection of lineamnets of geological /hydrogelogical origine
- Detecton of moist soils/near subsurface water

# ALOS PALSAR data processing

- Computer based technique to automatically extract linear features from ALOS PALSAR image and to further assess their spatial pattern
- Validation (Czech Rep.):
  - Structural field investigations
  - Field geophysics: Symmetric Resistivity Profiling (SRP), Seismic refraction (SR)

# Hypothesis

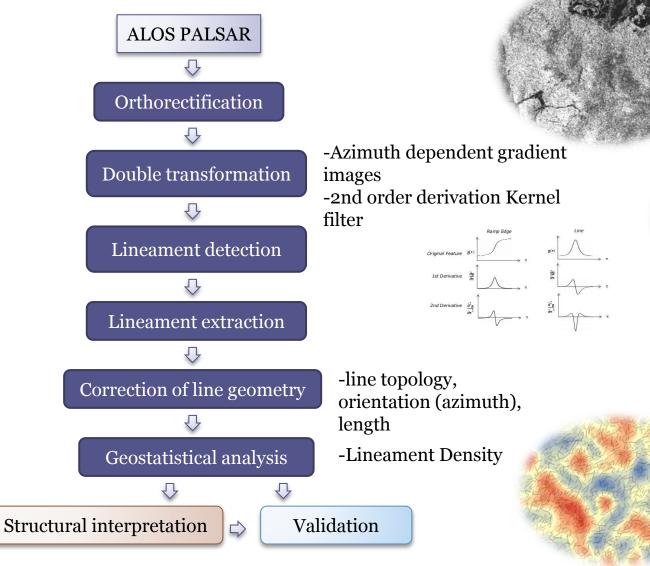
 that real fractural systems, discontinuity and fault planes appear in a digital image as spatially structured and oriented systems of small linear features (micro-lineaments)

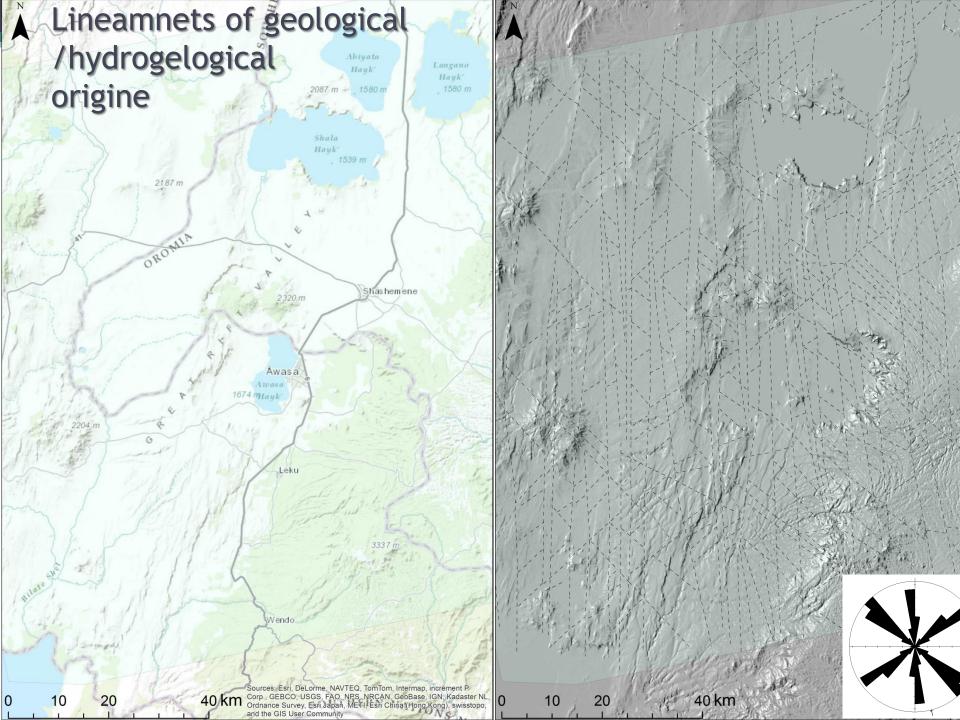
cm-scale Fracture pattern (including faults and joints) m-scale Map of joints exposed on a sandstone bedding plane loka

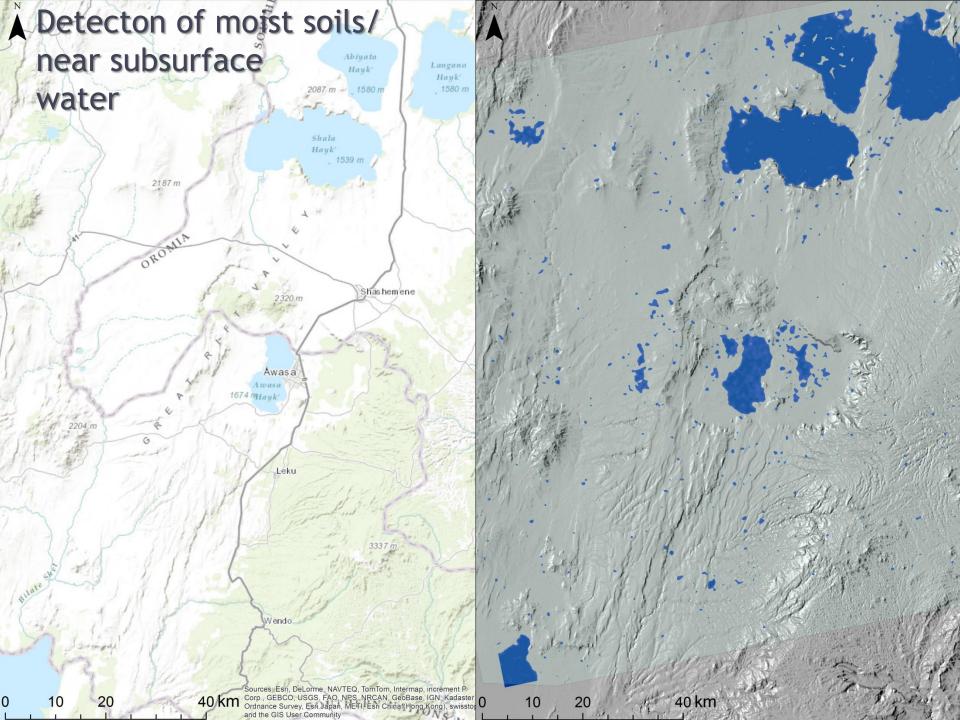
Fault pattern

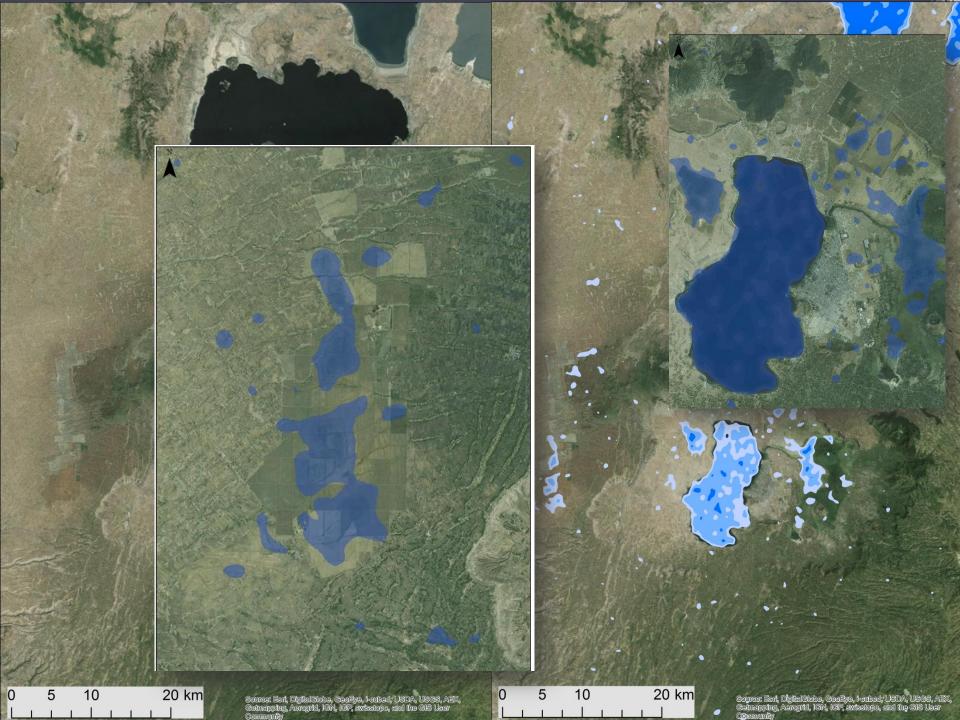
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# ALOS PALSAR processing





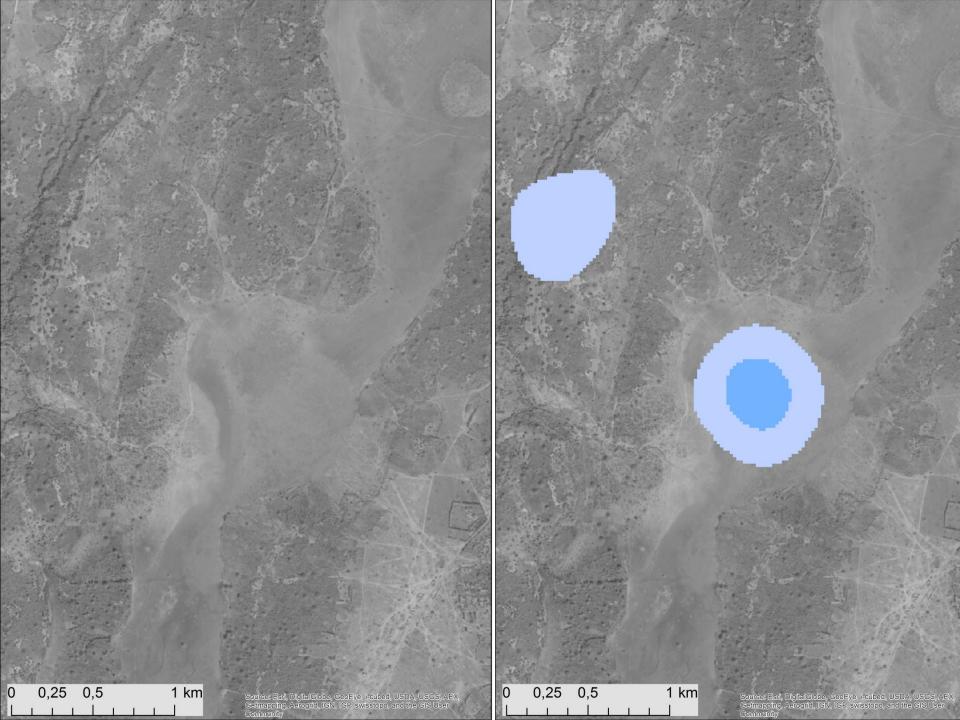












## ASTER - thermal analysis (night/day images)

### Water bodies

Day: colder from other surfaces Night: warmer than other surfaces **Smaller differences** between night/day temperature (2-5 °C)

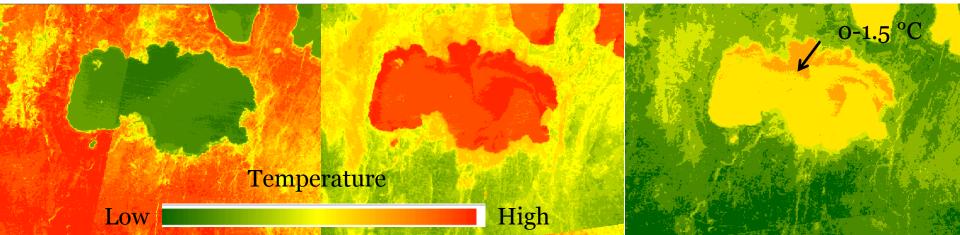
Thermal hot spots Stable night/day temperature

Smaller differences between night/day temperature close to o °C)

ASTER day thermal gradient

ASTER night thermal gradient

ASTER night/day thermal gradient difference



# Aster thermal data

- Corrected to atmospheric and topographic effect (ATCOR)
- Normalized to albedo (day scenes):
- Apparent Thermal Inertia (ATI):
- ATI=(1-Albedo)/ΔT (day-night)
- is commonly used to describe the resistance of a material to temperature changes:
  - higher resistance  $\rightarrow$  smaller  $\Delta T \rightarrow$  larger ATI

### Water – soil moisture

Day: colder from other surfaces Night: warmer than other surfaces

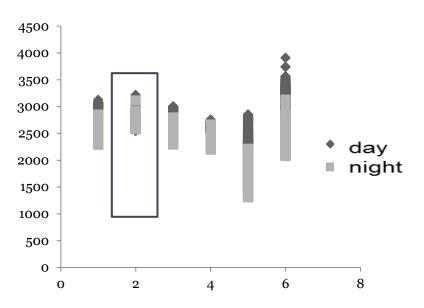


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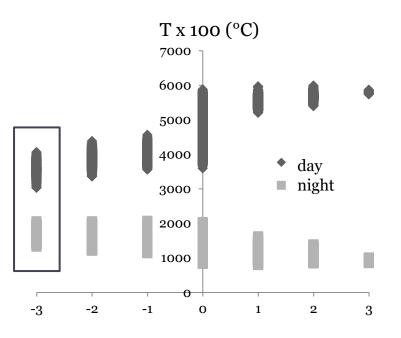
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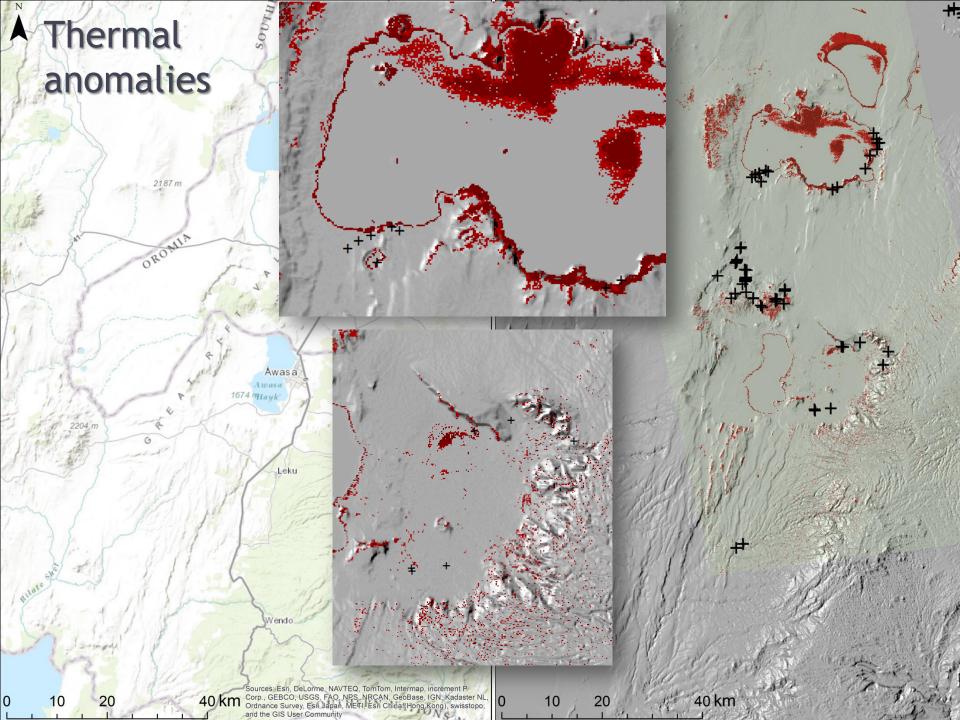
Water bodies

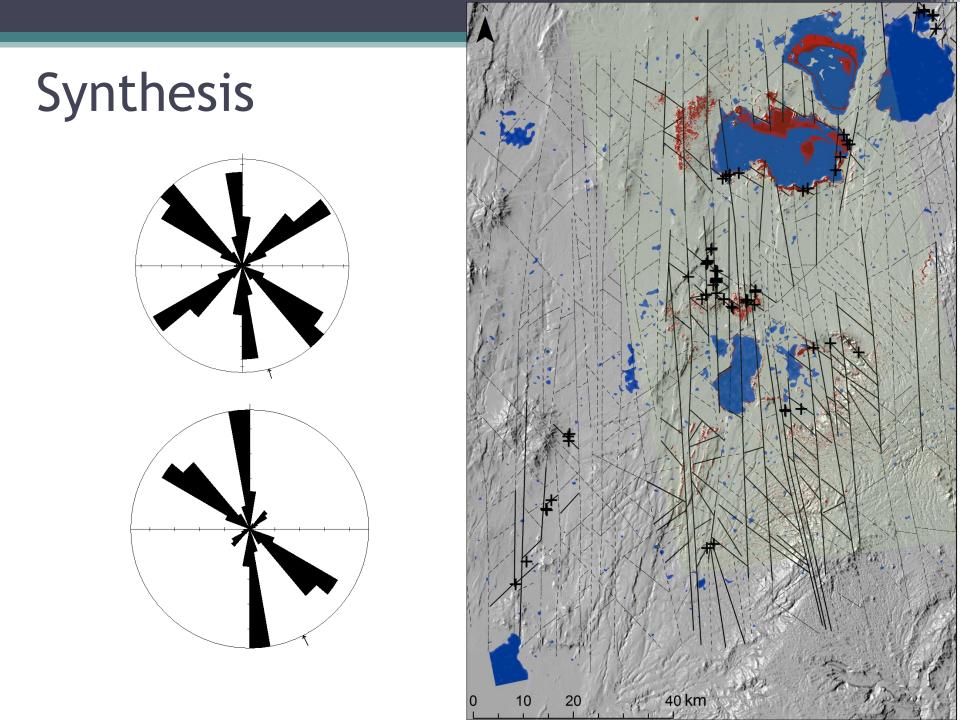
T x 100 (°C)



#### **Exposed surfaces**







# Summary

- Combination of passive and active remote sensing data brings big benefits
- Morphometry has further implications for land form mapping, geomorphology, erosion and slope stability assessment
- Structures interpreted on the basis of radar ALOS PALSAR data needs to be correlated with the field structural data (extrapolation, synthesis)
- ASTER thermal images suitable for mapping surface/subsurface water, this could be correlated with water table level, implications for agriculture (?)
- ASTER night/day diference images suitable for mapping water bodies as well as hot spots
- Final results with the end of the projects