



Analysis of Advanced Baseline Imager Out-of-Band Spectral Response

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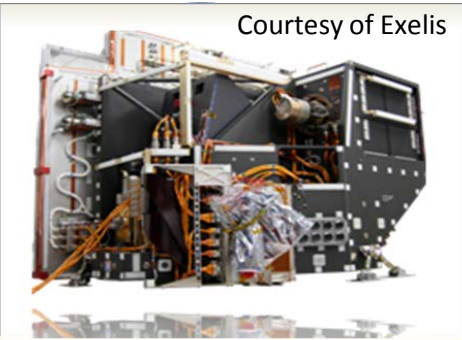
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CALCON

- Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI)
- Spectral Response Functions – Measurements and Validation Efforts
- Background on Out-of Band Response
- ABI Spectral Response Functions
- Results:
 - » Typical Scenes
 - » Out-of-Band Effects
- Conclusion

- The NOAA's next generation geostationary imager, the Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI), has increased capability to monitor the surface and atmosphere over current GOES imagers using its sixteen channels.
- Thorough pre-launch radiometric, spatial, and spectral characterization required to meet user needs post-launch.



Courtesy of Exelis

NOAA: GOES-R ABI

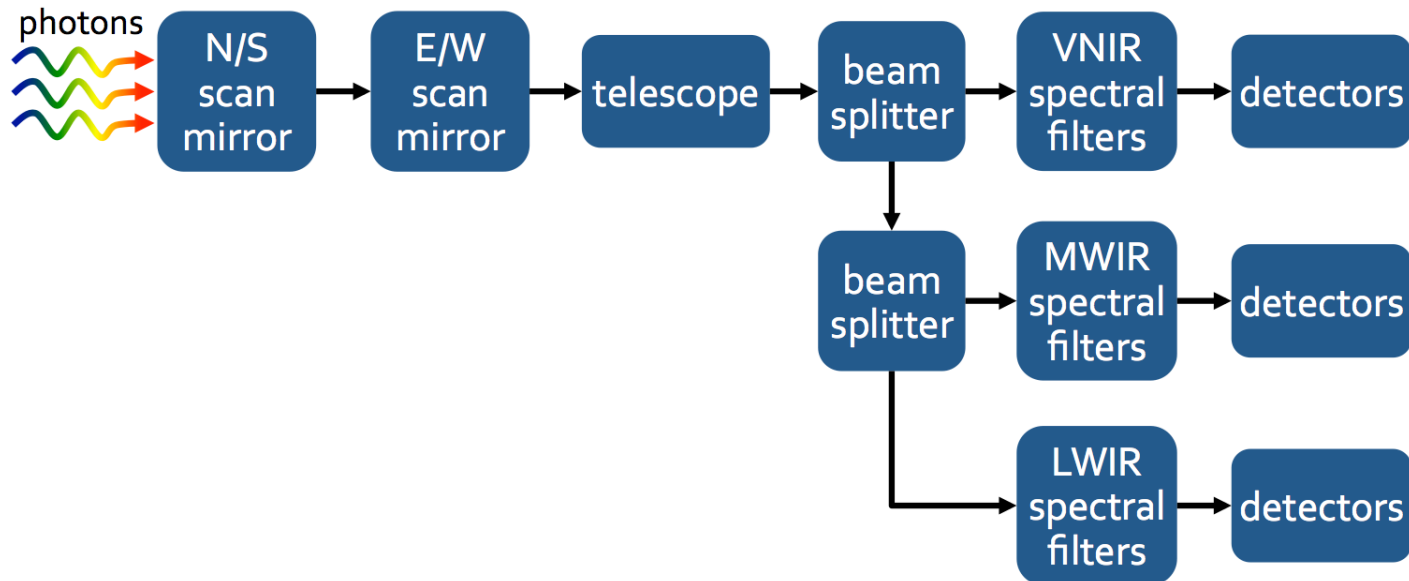
16 Band Imager

Spectral Region	Spatial Resolution
6 VNIR/SWIR	0.5, 1 & 2 km
10 Infrared	2 km

TABLE 1. Summary of the wavelengths, resolution, and sample use and heritage instrument(s) of the ABI bands. The minimum and maximum wavelength range represent the full width at half maximum (FWHM or 50%) points. [The Instantaneous Geometric Field Of View (IGFOV).]

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7	3.80–4.00	3.90	2	Surface and cloud, fog at night, fire, winds	Current GOES imager
8	5.77–6.6	6.19	2	High-level atmospheric water vapor, winds, rainfall	Current GOES imager
9	6.75–7.15	6.95	2	Midlevel atmospheric water vapor, winds, rainfall	Current GOES sounder
10	7.24–7.44	7.34	2	Lower-level water vapor, winds, and SO ₂	Spectrally modified current GOES sounder
11	8.3–8.7	8.5	2	Total water for stability, cloud phase, dust, SO ₂ rainfall	MAS
12	9.42–9.8	9.61	2	Total ozone, turbulence, and winds	Spectrally modified current sounder
13	10.1–10.6	10.35	2	Surface and cloud	MAS
14	10.8–11.6	11.2	2	Imagery, SST, clouds, rainfall	Current GOES sounder
15	11.8–12.8	12.3	2	Total water, ash, and SST	Current GOES sounder
16	13.0–13.6	13.3	2	Air temperature, cloud heights and amounts	Current GOES sounder/GOES-I2+ imager

- Pre-launch characterization of spectral response:
 - » Piece part measurements combined through entire ABI optical train to obtain spectral response functions
 - Spectral response functions are publicly available – baseline operational
<https://cs.star.nesdis.noaa.gov/GOESRCWG/ABISRF>



- » NIST Deployment of Spectral Irradiance and Radiance Responsivity Calibrations Using Uniform Sources (SIRCUS)
- » Witness filter measurements performed at NIST
 - Derived uncertainties of in-band filter transmittances and characterized effects of angle of incidence and temperature sensitivity.



Uncertainty in Wavelength (nm)

	Channels 1-3	Channel 4	Channel 5	Channel 6
Instrument Wavelength Error	0.05	0.1	0.2	0.2
Temperature	0.03	0.19	0.03	0.31
Angle of Incidence	0.15	0.3	0.3	0.3
Focusing Geometry	0.05	0.4	0.4	0.4
Nonlinearity	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02
<i>Quadrature Sum</i>	<i>0.17</i>	<i>0.54</i>	<i>0.54</i>	<i>0.62</i>
Expanded Uncertainty	0.34	1.08	1.08	1.24

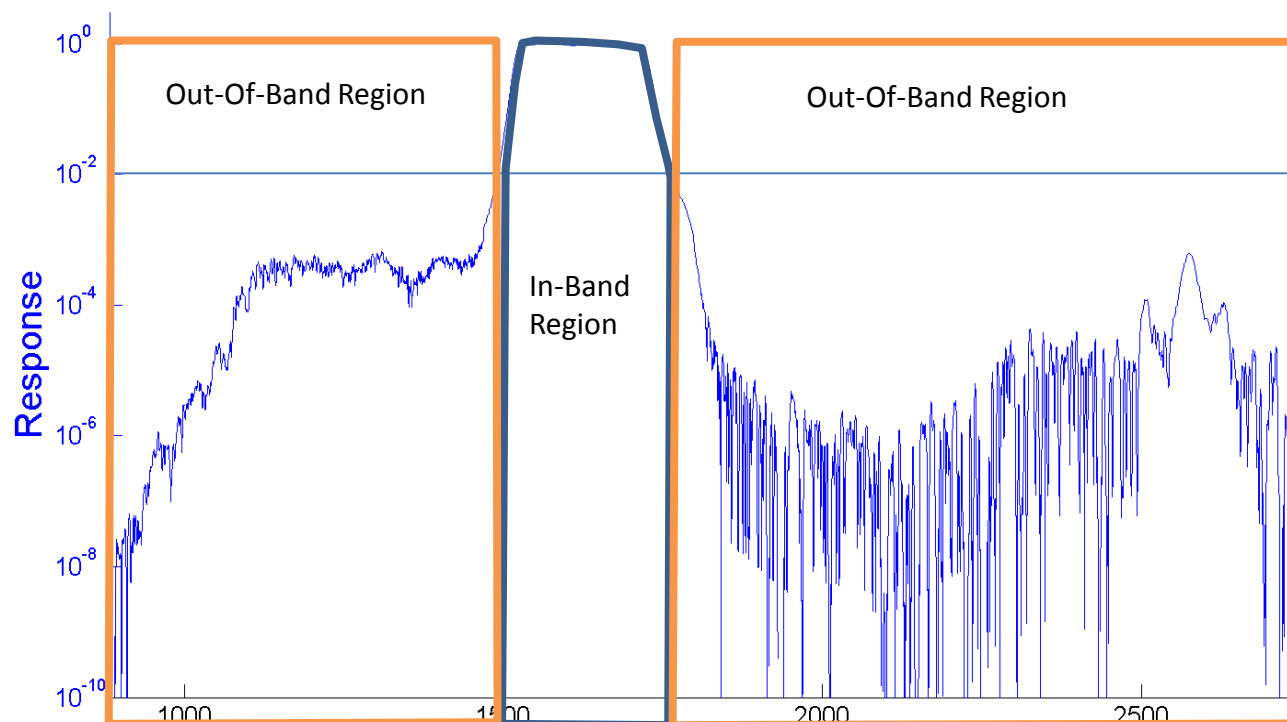
Uncertainty in Wavenumber (cm⁻¹)

	Channel 7	Channels 8-9	Channels 10-12	Channels 13-16
Instrument Wavenumber Error	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.01
Temperature	0.06	0.04	0.03	0.02
Angle of Incidence	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.15
Focusing Geometry	0.7	0.5	0.35	0.25
Nonlinearity	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
Self-emission	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02
<i>Quadrature Sum</i>	<i>0.81</i>	<i>0.59</i>	<i>0.40</i>	<i>0.29</i>
Expanded Uncertainty	1.6	1.2	0.8	0.6

Spectral Response Functions

In-Band/Out-Of-Band

- Out-of-Band spectral response is defined as the spectral response outside the 1% of peak response points (W. Chen Appl. Optics 2012)
- In this work, in-band is defined by the SRF range on the public version.



Legacy Issues

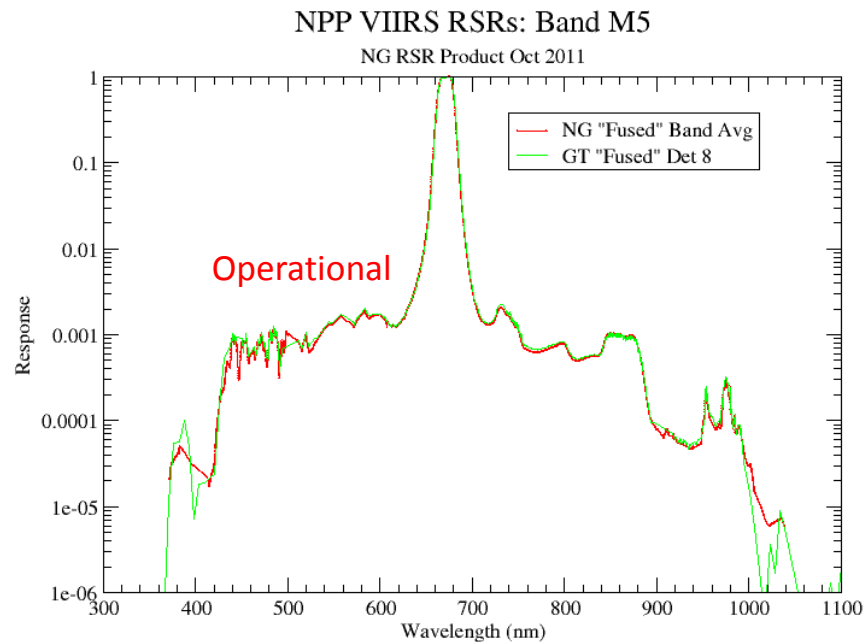
Out-of-Band Spectral Response

- Sea-Viewing Wide-Field-of-View Sensor (SeaWiFS) :
 - » Corrections applied for out-of-band response.

Gordon *Applied Optics* (1995)
Wang et al. *Applied Optics* (2001)

- Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite (VIIRS) on Suomi NPP:
 - » In-band and Out-of-band response thoroughly characterized pre-launch.
 - » NOAA uses out-of-band response operationally.

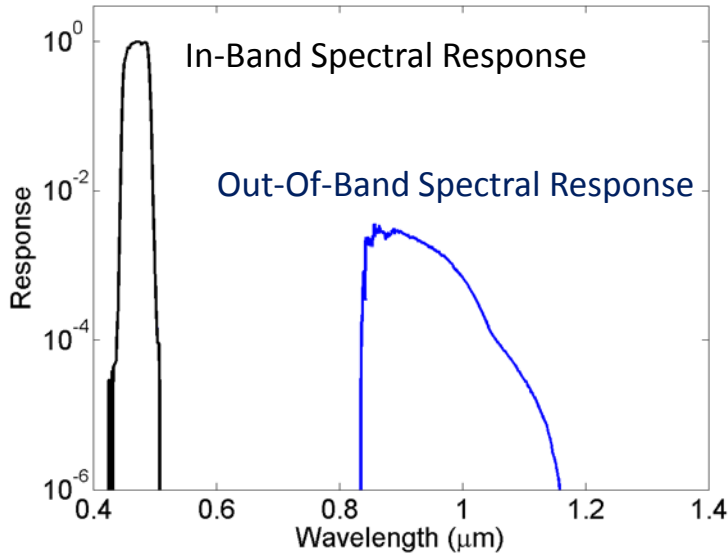
Moeller et al. *SPIE* (2012)



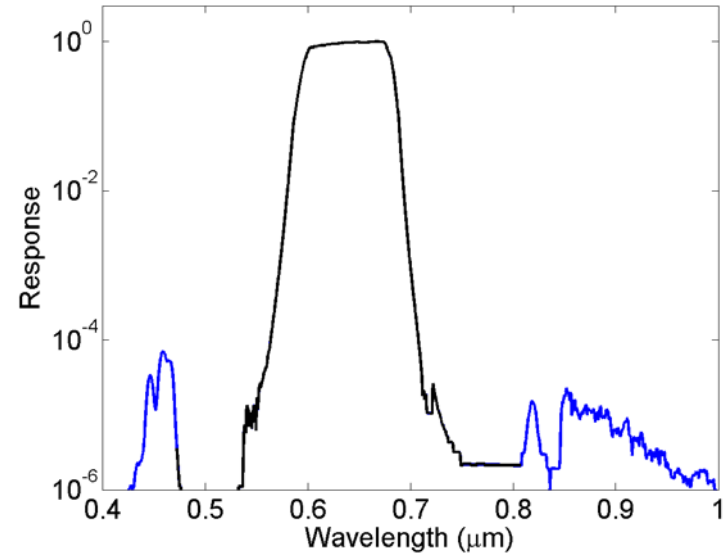
Increased need to study out-of-response is evaluated for ABI, since it will have increased performance over currently operational geostationary imagers

ABI Spectral Response Functions Reflective Solar Bands (1 of 2)

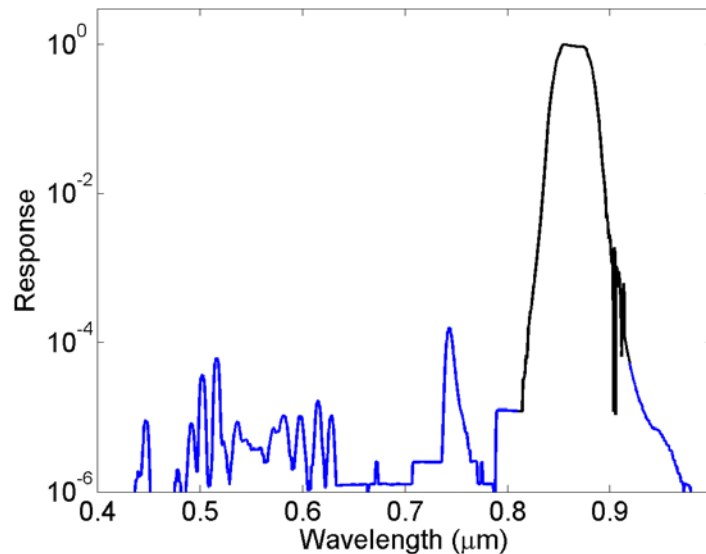
Channel 1 (0.47 μm)



Channel 2 (0.64 μm)



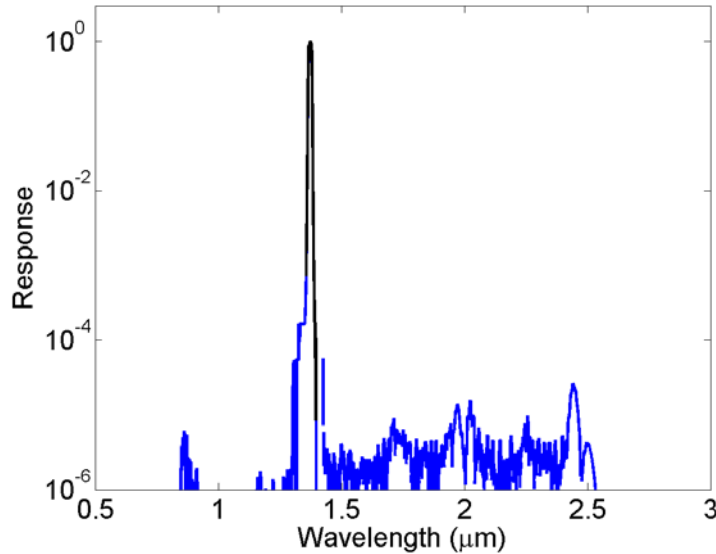
Channel 3 (0.86 μm)



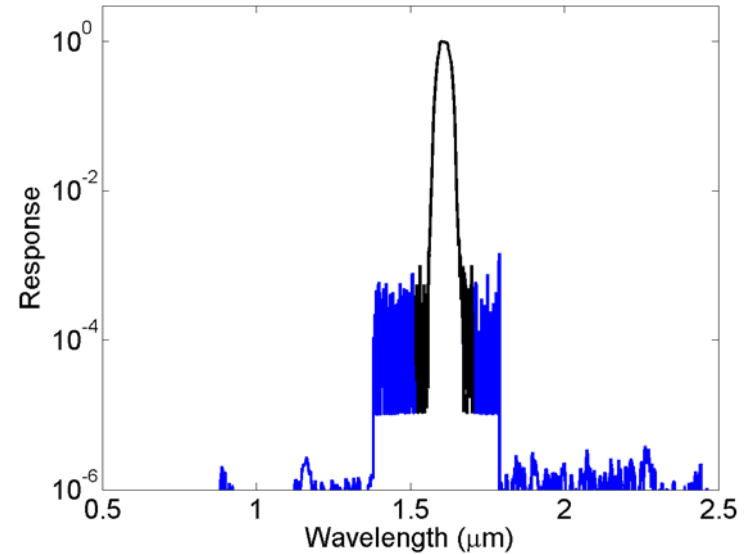
Responses $<10^{-6}$ have negligible impact

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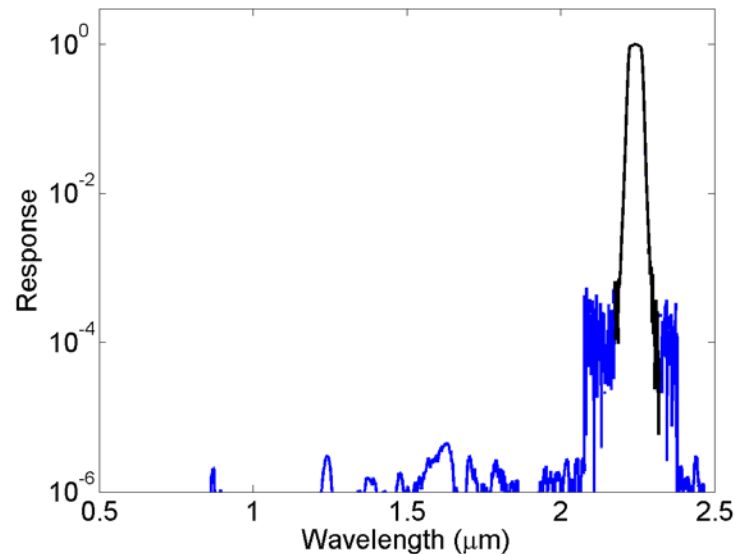
Channel 4 (1.38 μm)



Channel 5 (1.61 μm)

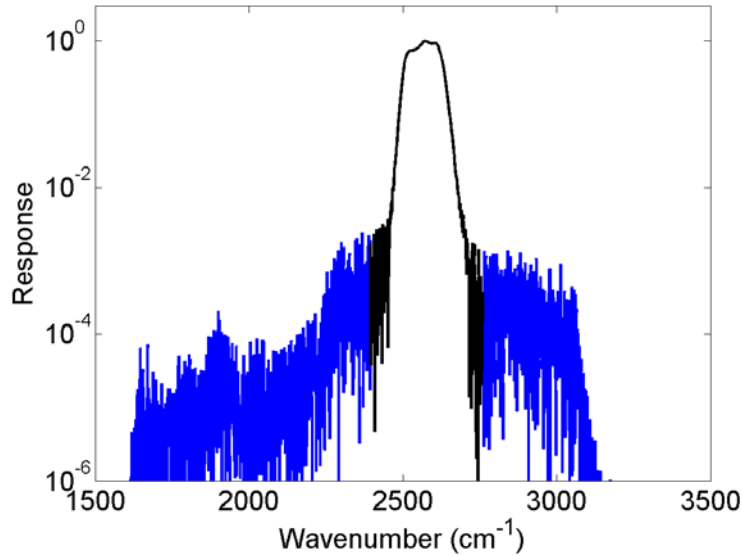


Channel 6 (2.25 μm)

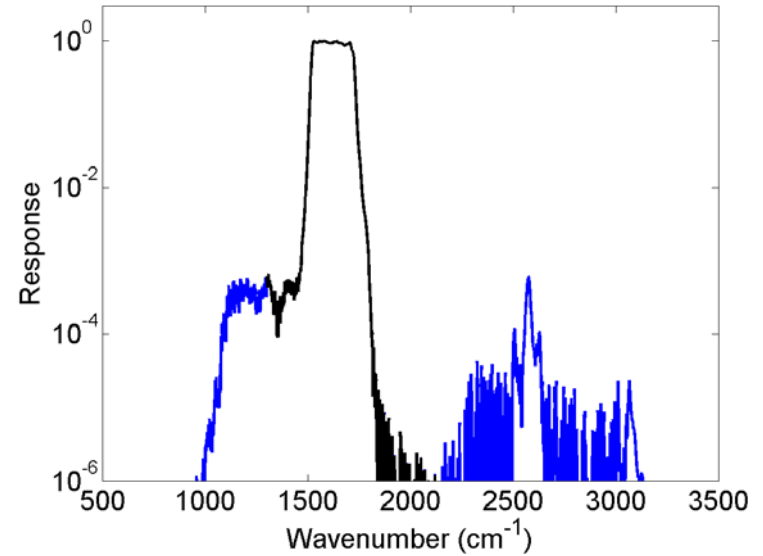


ABI Spectral Response Functions Thermal Emissive Bands (1 of 3)

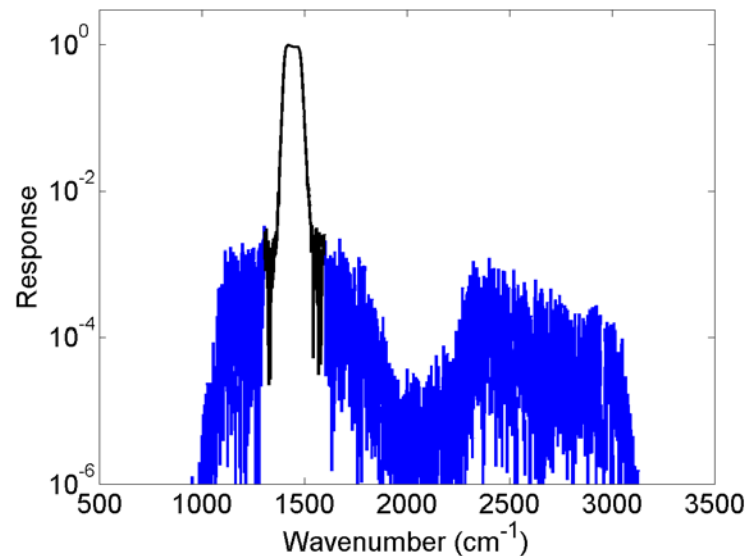
Channel 7 (3.90 μm)



Channel 8 (6.18 μm)

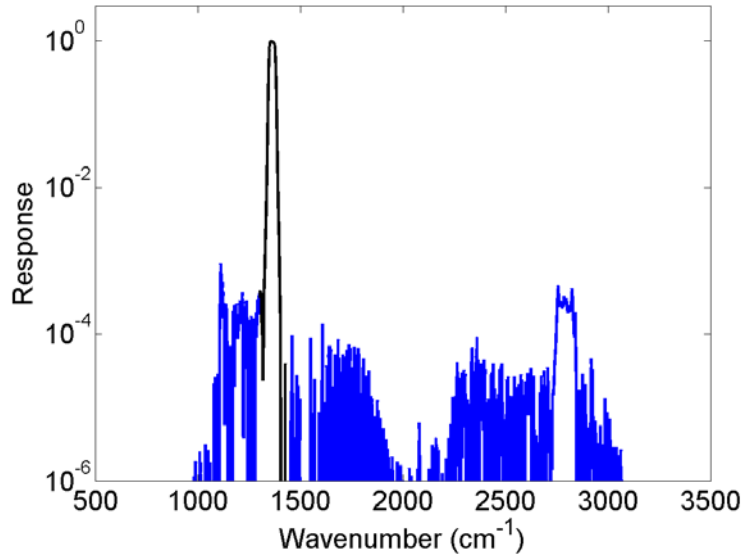


Channel 9 (6.95 μm)

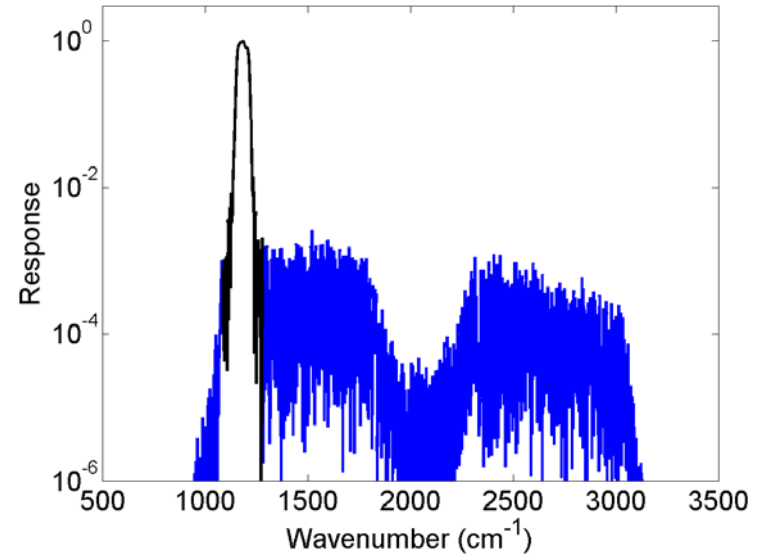


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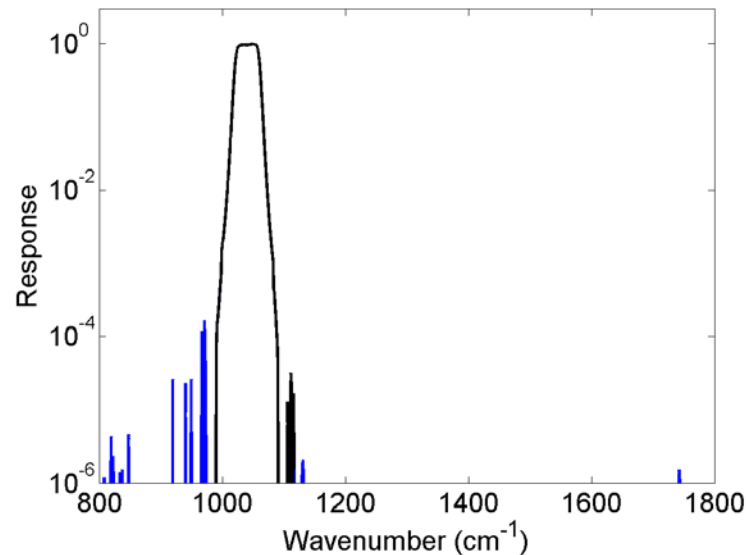
Channel 10 (7.34 μm)



Channel 11 (8.50 μm)

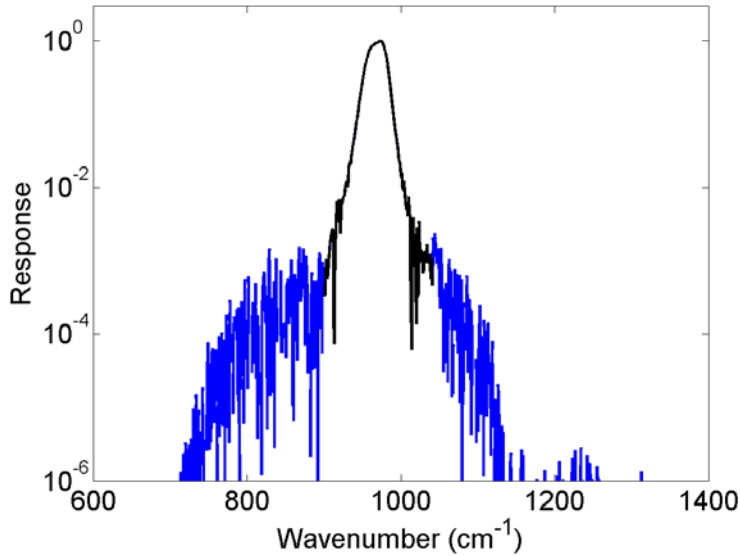


Channel 12 (9.61 μm)

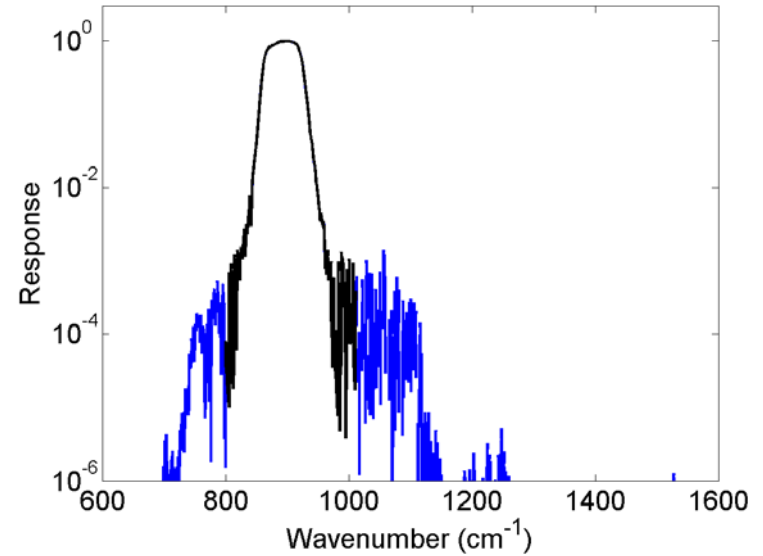


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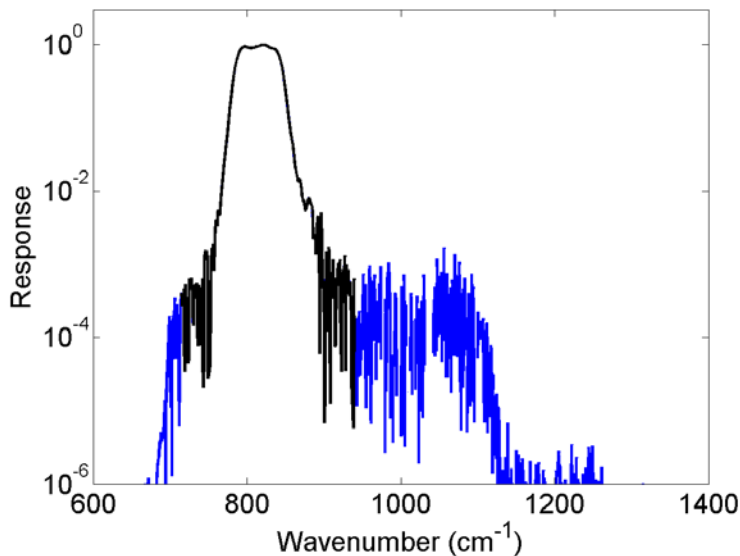
Channel 13 (10.35 μm)



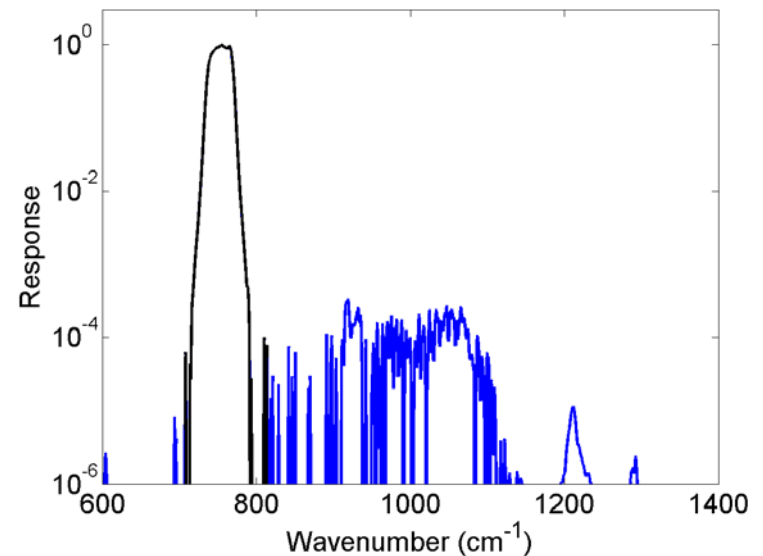
Channel 14 (11.20 μm)



Channel 15 (12.30 μm)



Channel 16 (13.30 μm)

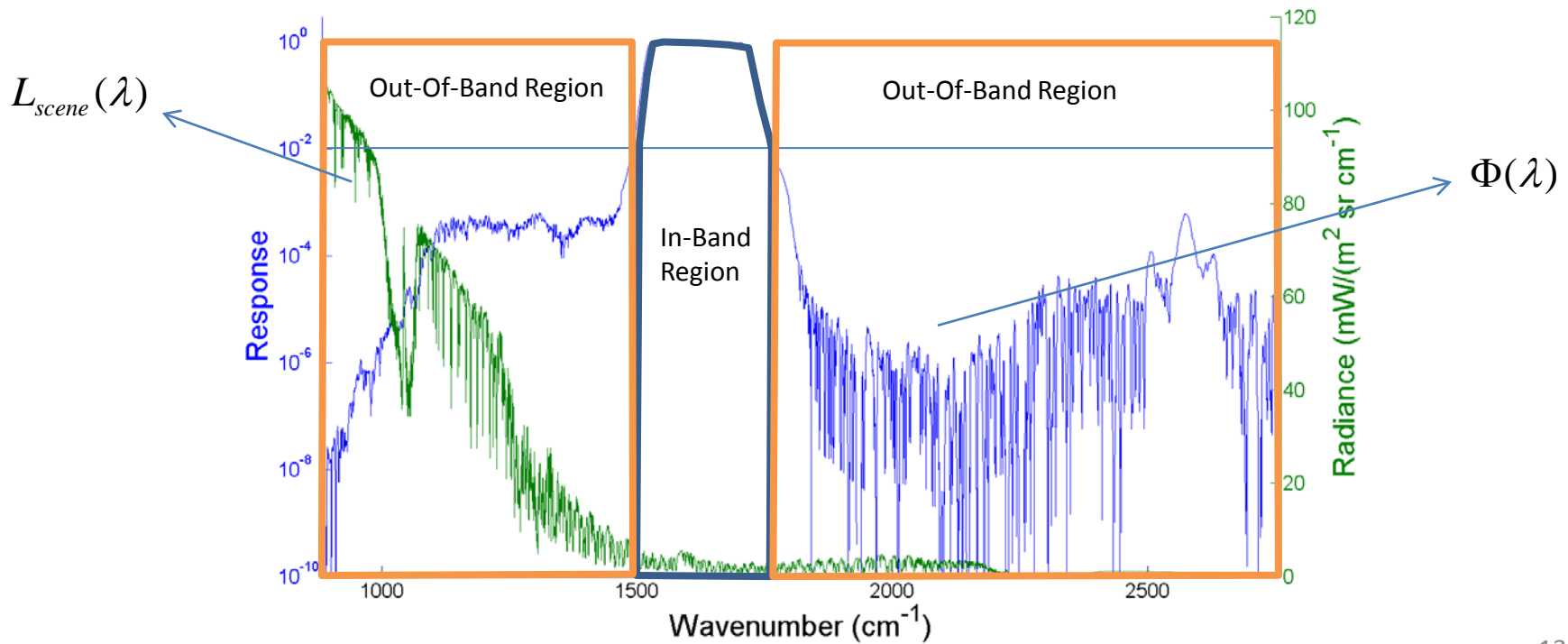


Spectral Response Functions

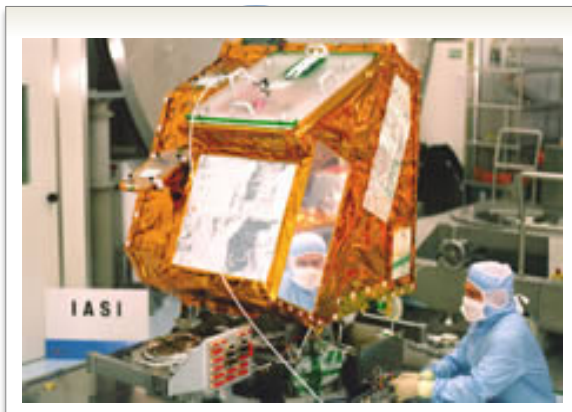
Out-of-Band Effects

- Calculate effective spectral radiance (L_{eff}) for the desired region
- For out-of-band effects, calculate % difference in spectral radiance (or temperature for thermal emissive channel) between in-band and full spectrum (in-band + out-of-band)

$$L_{eff} = \frac{\int L_{scene}(\lambda) \Phi(\lambda) d\lambda}{\int \Phi(\lambda) d\lambda}$$



- Reflective solar bands:
 - » Hyperspectral data from Hyperion aboard EO-1.
 - » Simulated data using both 6SV (Second Simulation of a Satellite Signal in the Solar Spectrum, Vector, version 1) and MODTRAN
- Thermal emissive bands:
 - » Hyperspectral data from IASI (Infrared Atmospheric Sounding Interferometer) aboard METOP



IASI

Hyperspectral Sounder

Spectral Region	645-2760 cm^{-1}
Spectral Sampling	0.25 cm^{-1} (8460 bands)
Spatial Resolution	~12 km



Hyperion

Hyperspectral Imager

Spectral Region	0.4-2.5 μm
Number of Bands	220
Spatial Resolution	2 km

- For solar reflective bands, match scenes to relevant channels

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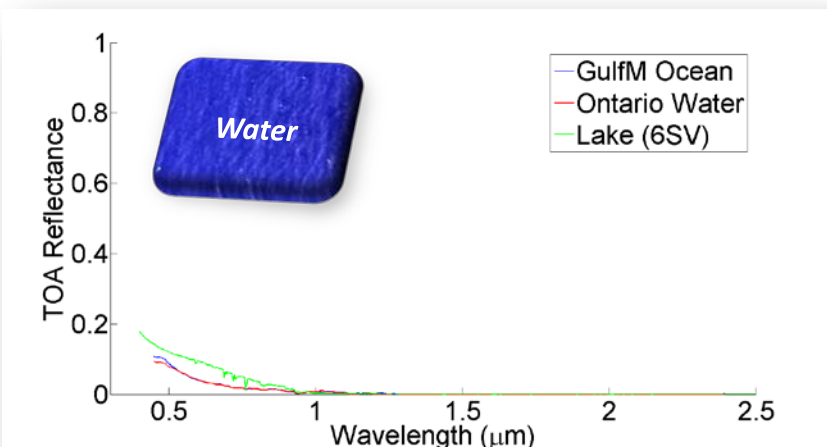
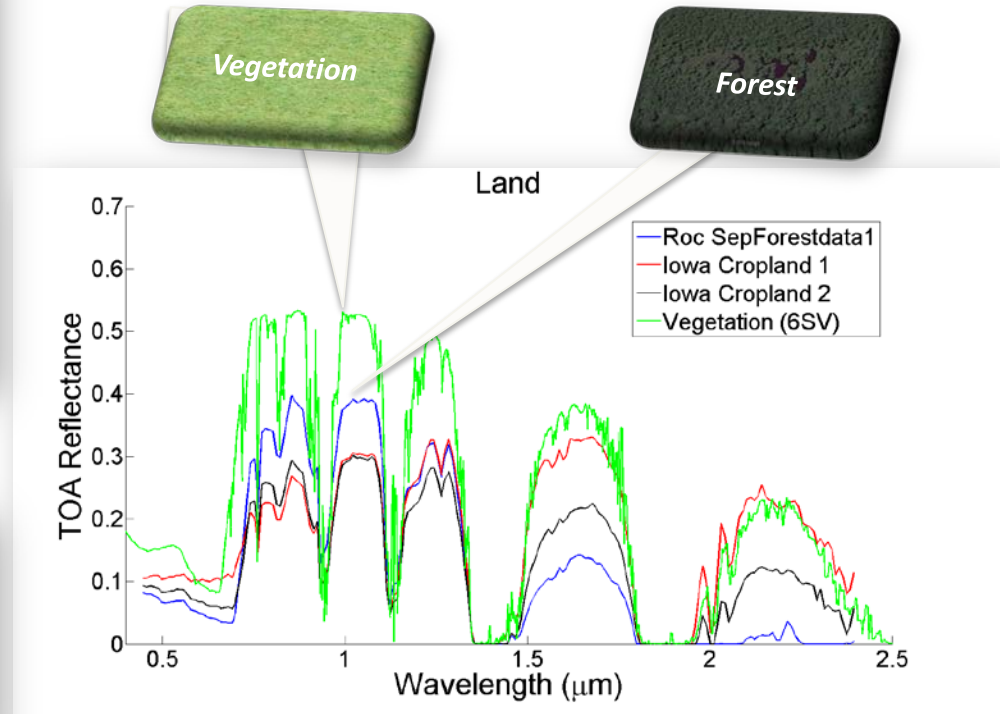
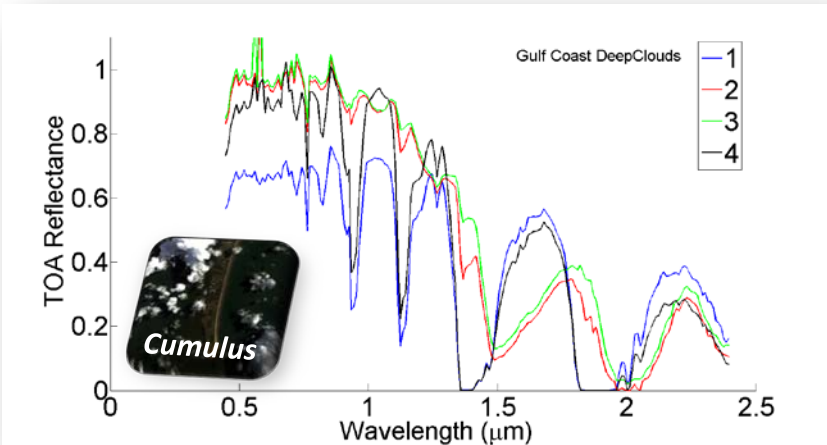
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- Water, Land
- Clouds
- Land
- Cirrus Clouds
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- For thermal emissive bands, used all scenes for all channels

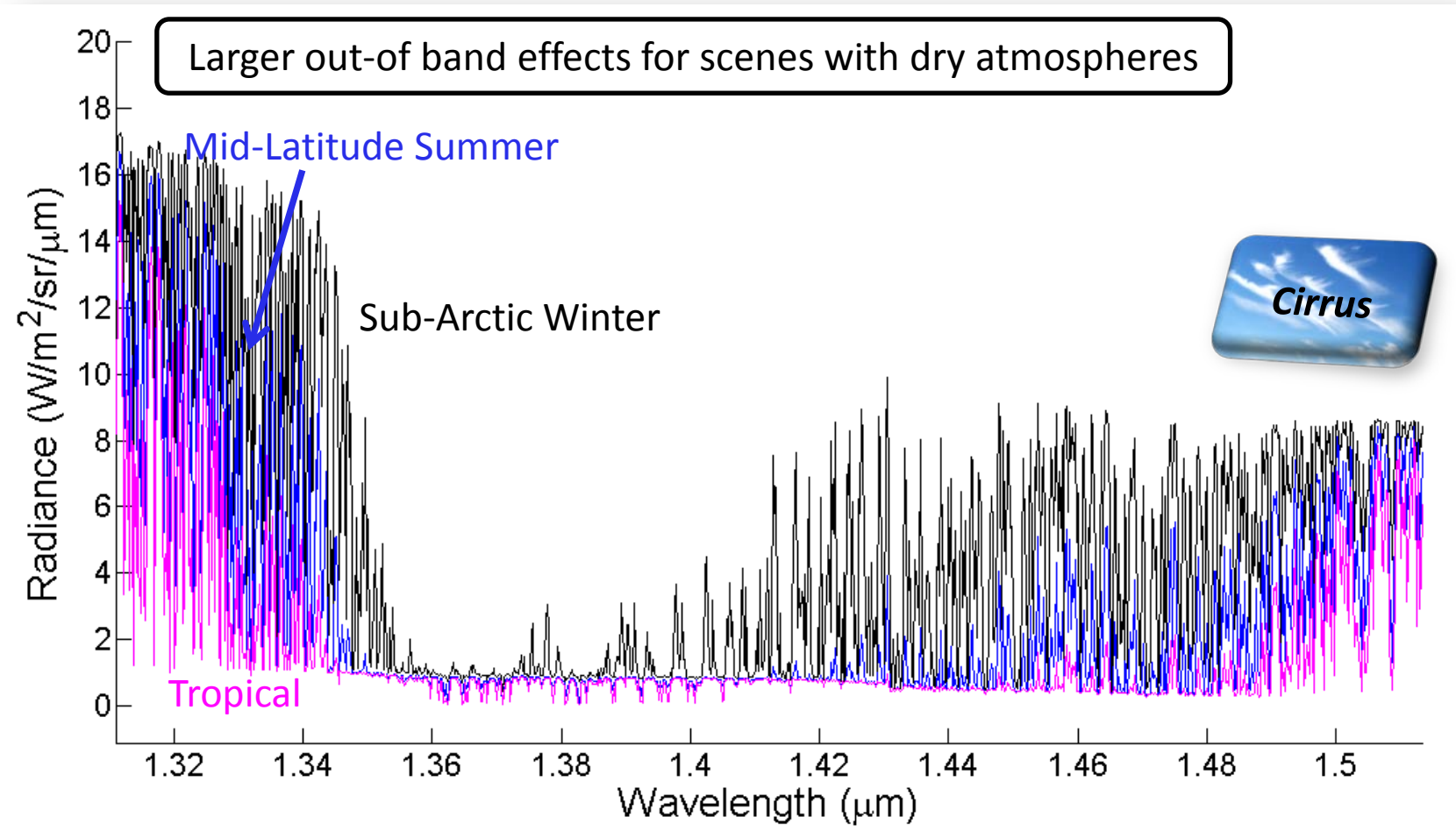
Typical Scenes Reflective Solar Bands

- Hyperion and simulated scenes cover major categories of scenes relevant to ABI



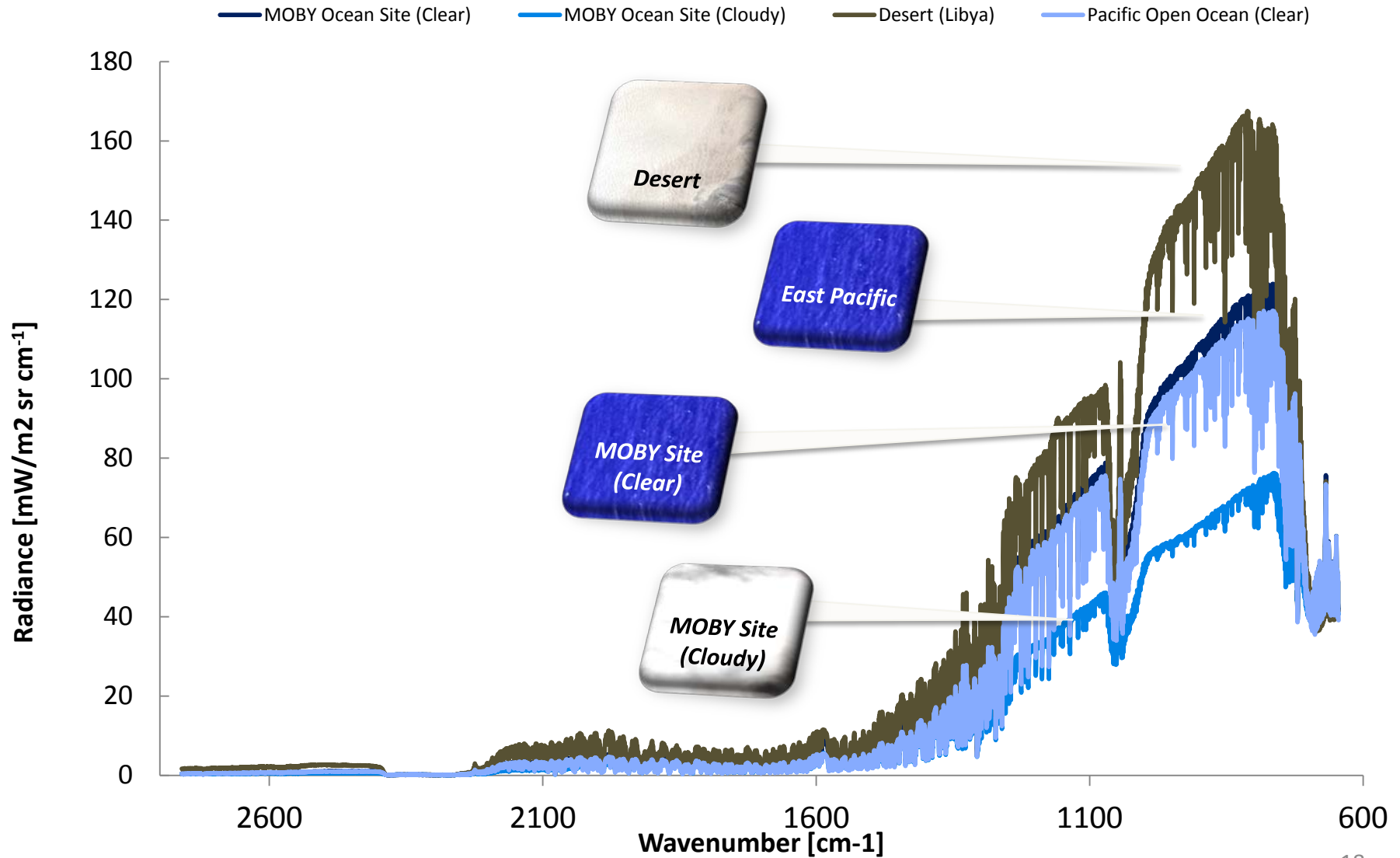
Cirrus Cloud Scenes for Channel 4

- Simulated scenes using MODTRAN used for high resolution spectra needed for channel 4 (1.38 μm cirrus detection channel)



2 km cloud thickness, 8 km base altitude

Typical Scenes Thermal Emissive Bands



Out-of-Band Effects Reflective Solar Bands (except channel 4)

- Minor impacts found for cloud and land scenes



Channels	Wavelength (μm)	Gulf Coast Deep Clouds			
		1	2	3	4
2	0.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	1.61	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.04
6	2.25	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02

% Difference in Radiance



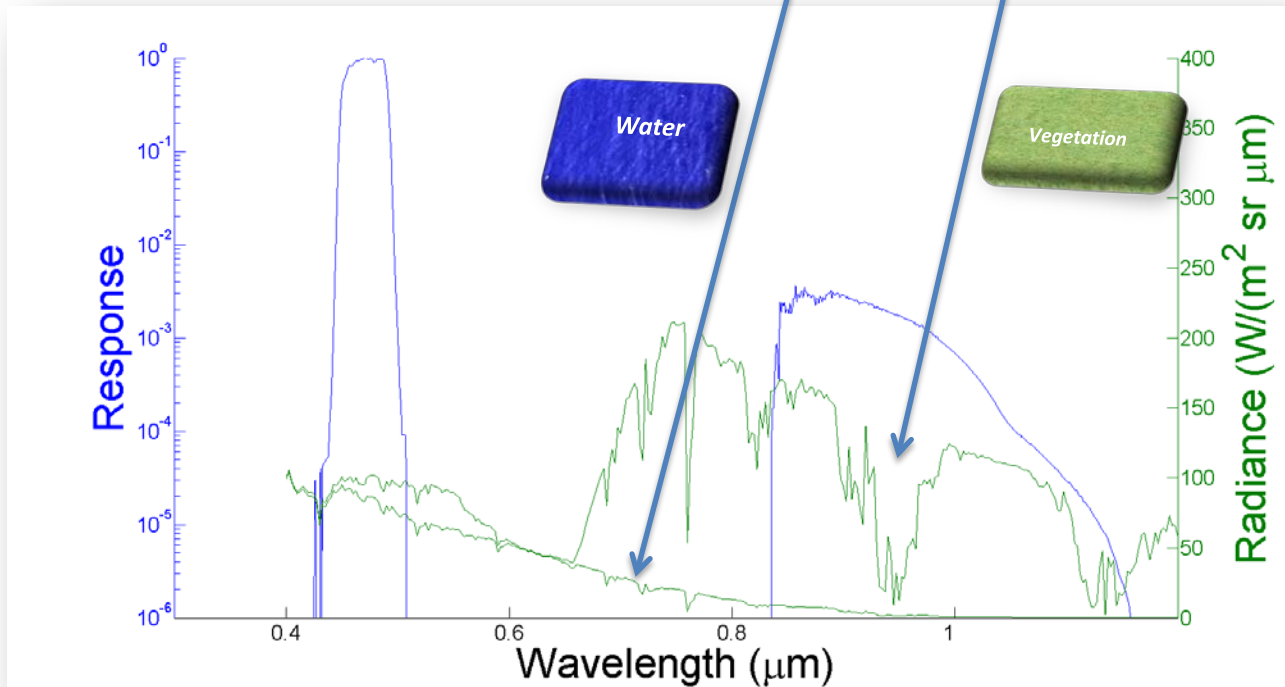
Channels	Wavelength (μm)	Land		
		Rochester - forest	Iowa Cropland #1	Vegetation (simulated)
3	0.86	0.00	0.00	0.00

% Difference in Radiance

Out-of-Band Effects Reflective Solar Bands

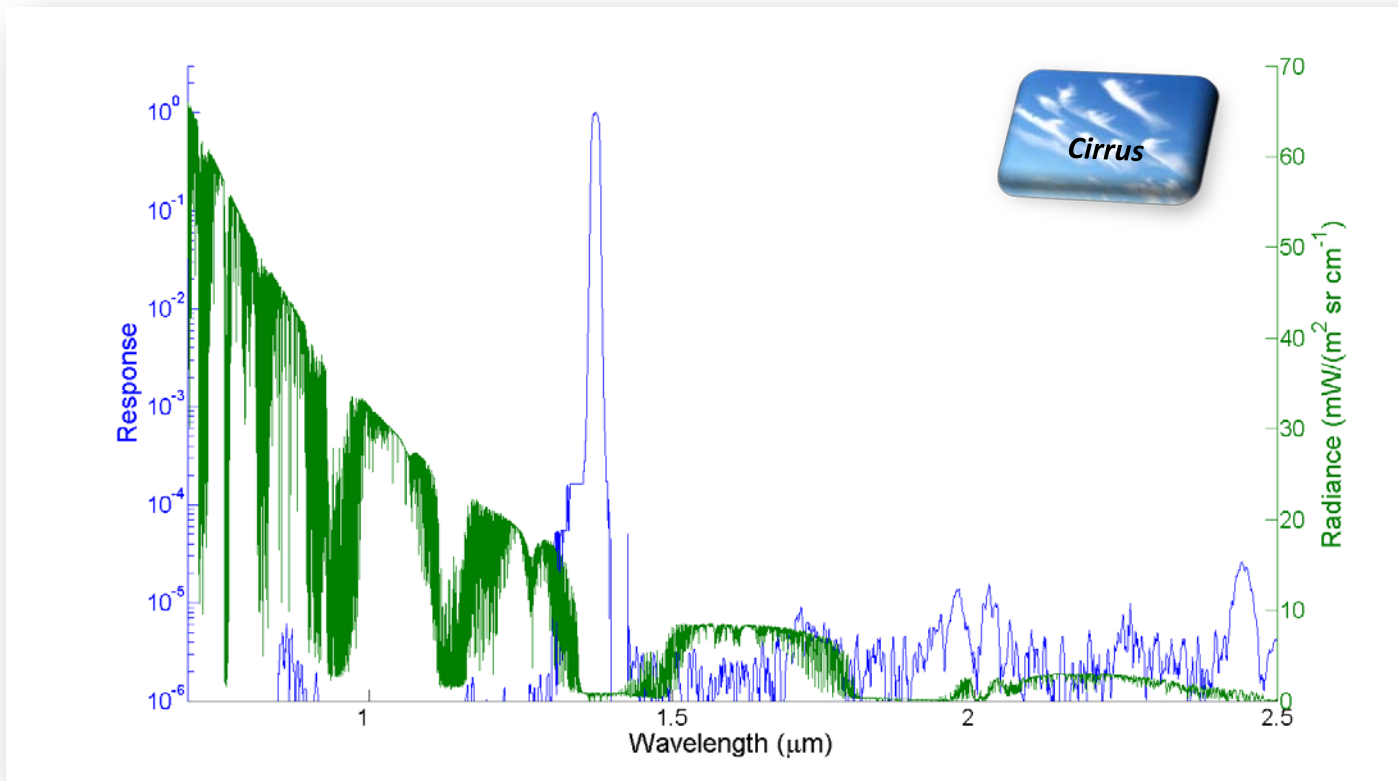
- Highest out-of-band effects found for water scenes in 0.47 μm channel
- Out of-band impacts for land scenes were lower than for water scenes

Channel	Wavelength (μm)	Water				% Difference in Radiance
		Gulf of Mexico - Ocean	Lake Ontario	Lake (simulated)	Vegetation (simulated)	
1	0.47	-0.89	-0.89	-0.89	0.14	



Out-of-Band Effects Channel 4 (1.38 μm)

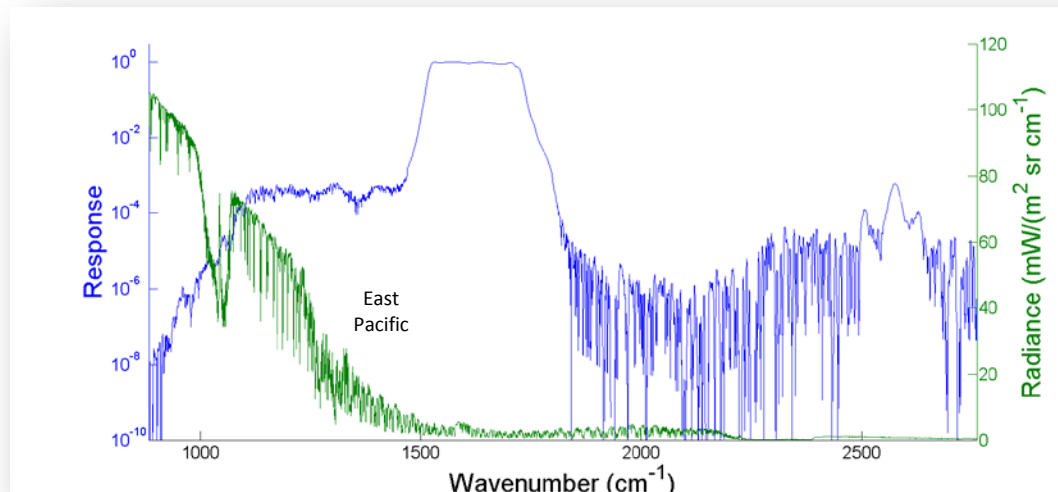
	Mid-Latitude Summer	Sub-Arctic Winter	Tropical
In-band SRF Radiance ($\text{W}/\text{m}^2/\text{sr}/\mu\text{m}$)	0.765	1.10	0.672
Full SRF Radiance ($\text{W}/\text{m}^2/\text{sr}/\mu\text{m}$)	0.773	1.11	0.675
% Difference in Radiance	0.43	0.44	0.43



Out-Of-Band Effects: Thermal Emissive Bands Percent Difference in Radiance



Channel	Wavelength (μm)	Scenes			
		Libya	East Pacific	Moby clear Sky	Moby cloudy
7	3.9	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.00
8	6.18	0.41	0.63	0.37	0.38
9	6.95	0.22	0.32	0.19	0.18
10	7.34	0.16	0.21	0.13	0.11
11	8.5	-0.17	-0.18	-0.17	-0.17
12	9.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	10.35	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
14	11.2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
15	12.3	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
16	13.3	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02



- 6.18 μm channel shows largest out-of-band effects

Out-Of-Band Effects: Thermal Emissive Bands Difference in Temperature

Temperature Difference (K) at Scene Temperature

Channel	Wavelength μm)	Scenes			
		Libya	East Pacific	Moby clear Sky	Moby cloudy
7	3.90	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
8	6.18	0.11	0.14	0.09	0.09
9	6.95	0.08	0.10	0.06	0.05
10	7.34	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.07
11	8.50	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.09
12	9.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	10.35	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
14	11.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
15	12.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	13.30	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01

- % Difference in radiance converted to brightness temperature difference using the Planck function.
- Impacts at most ~ 140 mK for eastern Pacific ocean scene (at scene temperature)

- Overall, ABI has strong performance:
 - » High out-of-band rejection in all channels (< 1% impact)
 - » Highest impacts found for channel 1 (0.47 μm) lake scene – 0.9%
- ABI is expected to meet user needs for weather prediction:
 - » Pre-launch characterization of ABI's spectral response plays a key role in understanding its performance.
- Out of band response impacts can be mitigated by using spectral response functions operationally that include both in-band and out-of-band regions.
- Future Work:
 - » Work to make full spectral response functions available publicly
 - » Consult users about appropriate choice for operational spectral response functions
 - » Analyze uncertainty impacts