

SAR mosaics

- ALOS Kyoto and Carbon Initiative meeting

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SAR Mosaics

- Why should this be a product?
 - GRFM heritage
 - The ability to produce a **high resolution, continental scale, single “season”** image is a powerful SAR capability that is relevant for filling gaps in optical imagery
 - New applications of the imagery not anticipated within predefined KC products - without users having to resort to getting large numbers of individual scenes
 - Might be of value as an intermediate product for higher level KC products
 - Verification of calibration
 - Verification and INCENTIVE for successful acquisition coverage
 - Outreach and education

SAR mosaics end users

- GRFM users
- optical community (gap filling)
- Kyoto and Carbon Initiative
 - For higher level products
 - For evaluation of calibration

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Scientific relevance and technical feasibility

- Basic image product
- Technique of accurate mosaicking is now implemented at NASDA, JPL, ASF, and JRC

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Algorithms

- Algorithms have been published in journals
- If image geolocation of data is good, the process is fast and simple.
 - Examine co-registration to verify image geolocation accuracy
- Calibration could be part of mosaicking process

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Data flow from data take to final
product

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Data requirements and data volumes

- Requires all the acquired data
- Output products can be reduced resolution

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Time schedule

- Must be able to mosaic as fast as the data is acquired, with output products released within a certain time after acquisition

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Geographic region in focus

- global

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one time products vs. repetitive?

- Every repetition

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local/regional demonstration products vs. global data sets and information

- Global data sets

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adequacy of current acquisition plan

- Adequate
 - Interferometric coverage increases likelihood of complete coverage every season for each region.

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lead organization

SAR mosaics bottlenecks

- If there are geolocation problems, the task will be more difficult (requires coregistration of data)

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minimum output requirements

- Low resolution mosaics every cycle of acquisition

SAR mosaics the role of NASDA

- Calibration feedback
- Geolocation feedback