



OPEN DATA CUBE

# The Australian and International Datacube

- CSIRO- Geoscience Australia- National Computational Infrastructure initiative for enabling the use of big data Earth Observation

Slides courtesy Stuart Minchin, Geoscience Australia



NCI



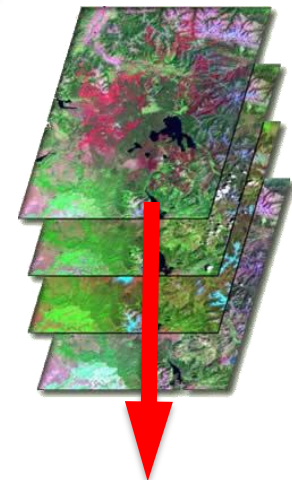
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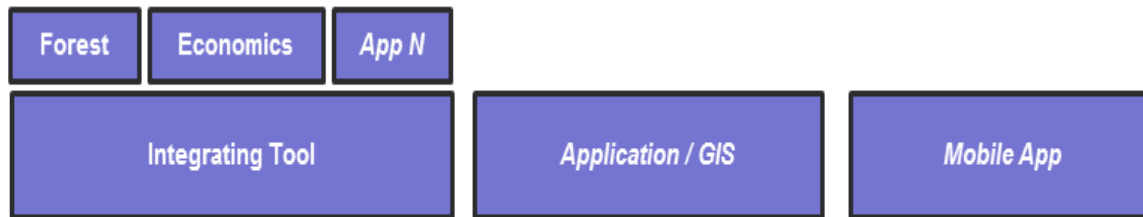


# What are Data Cubes?

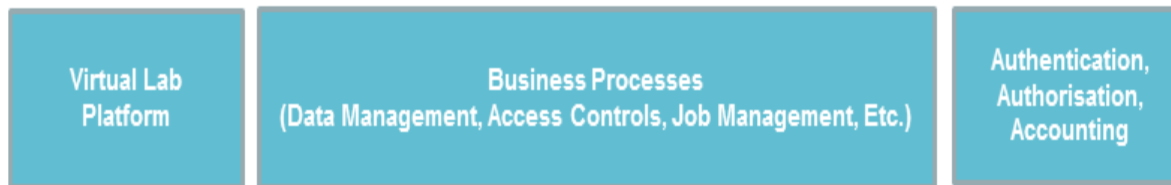
- **Data Cube** = Time-series multi-dimensional (space, time, data type) stack of spatially aligned pixels ready for analysis
- **Proven concept** by Geoscience Australia (GA) and the CSIRO and planned for the future USGS Landsat archive.
- **Analysis Ready Data (ARD)** ... Dependent on processed products to reduce processing burden on users
- **Open source** software approach allows free access, promotes expanded capabilities, and increases data usage.
- **Unique features:** exploits time series, increases data interoperability, and supports many new applications.



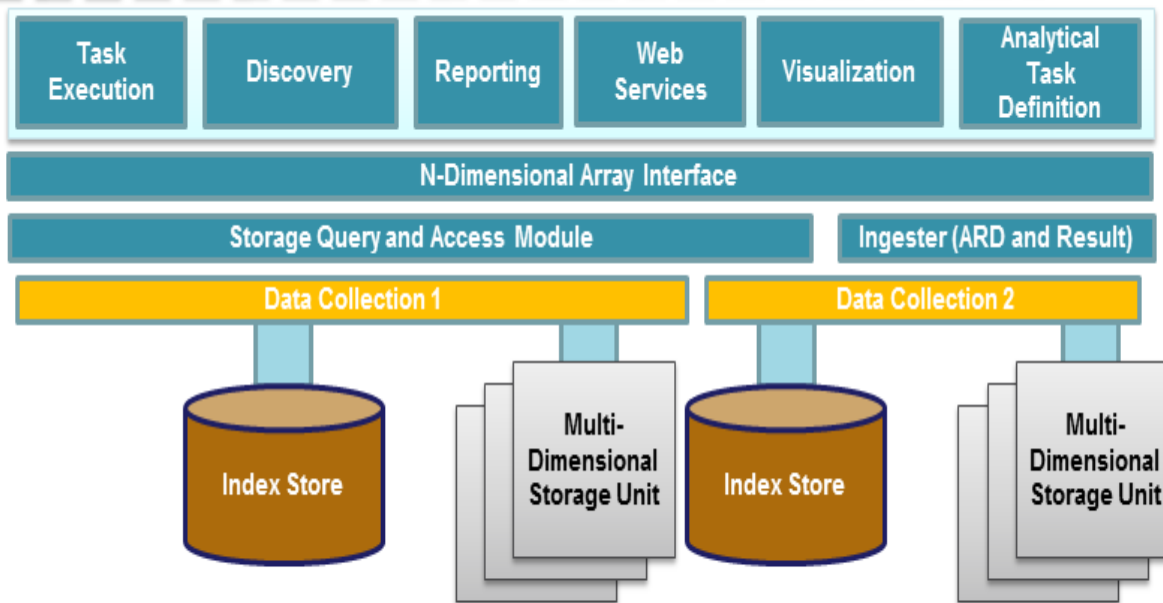
TIME



Data & Application Platform



Data Cube Infrastructure



Data Acquisition & Inflow



# Storage formats and indexes

Many GDAL formats can be supported

- Constraint: Within a data collection, pixels need to be spatially aligned
- Projection: Any PROJ4 projection

NCI, AWS (CEOS)

- netCDF, Albers projections (equal area)
- *In file metadata*

USGS, AWS Earth

- GeoTiff

USGS, MODIS land products

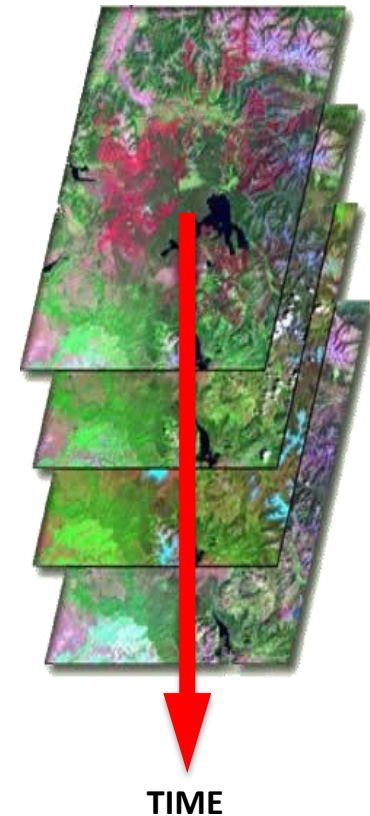
- HDF-EOS, Sinusoidal projection (equal area)

CSIRO (AWS)

- S3 array structures
- **No in file metadata**

Databases

- PostgreSQL (documents, spatial)
- AWS RDS



# Developing the Australian Geoscience Data Cube

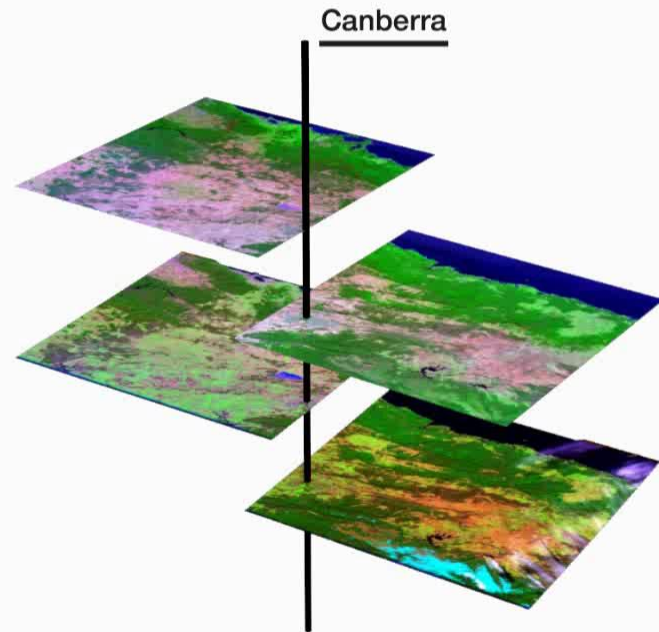
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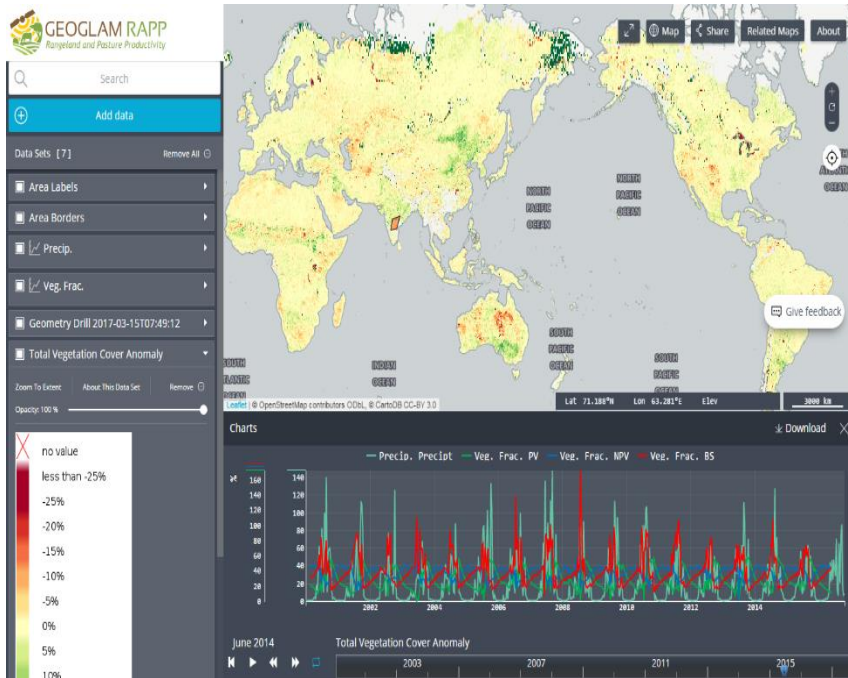
Calibration



Time series



# Science applications - examples & domains



## Terrestrial

- BRDF (MODIS, Landsat)
- Fractional cover (MODIS)
- MODIS-Landsat Blending
- Surface water (WOfS)
- Agriculture
- Biodiversity

## Aquatic

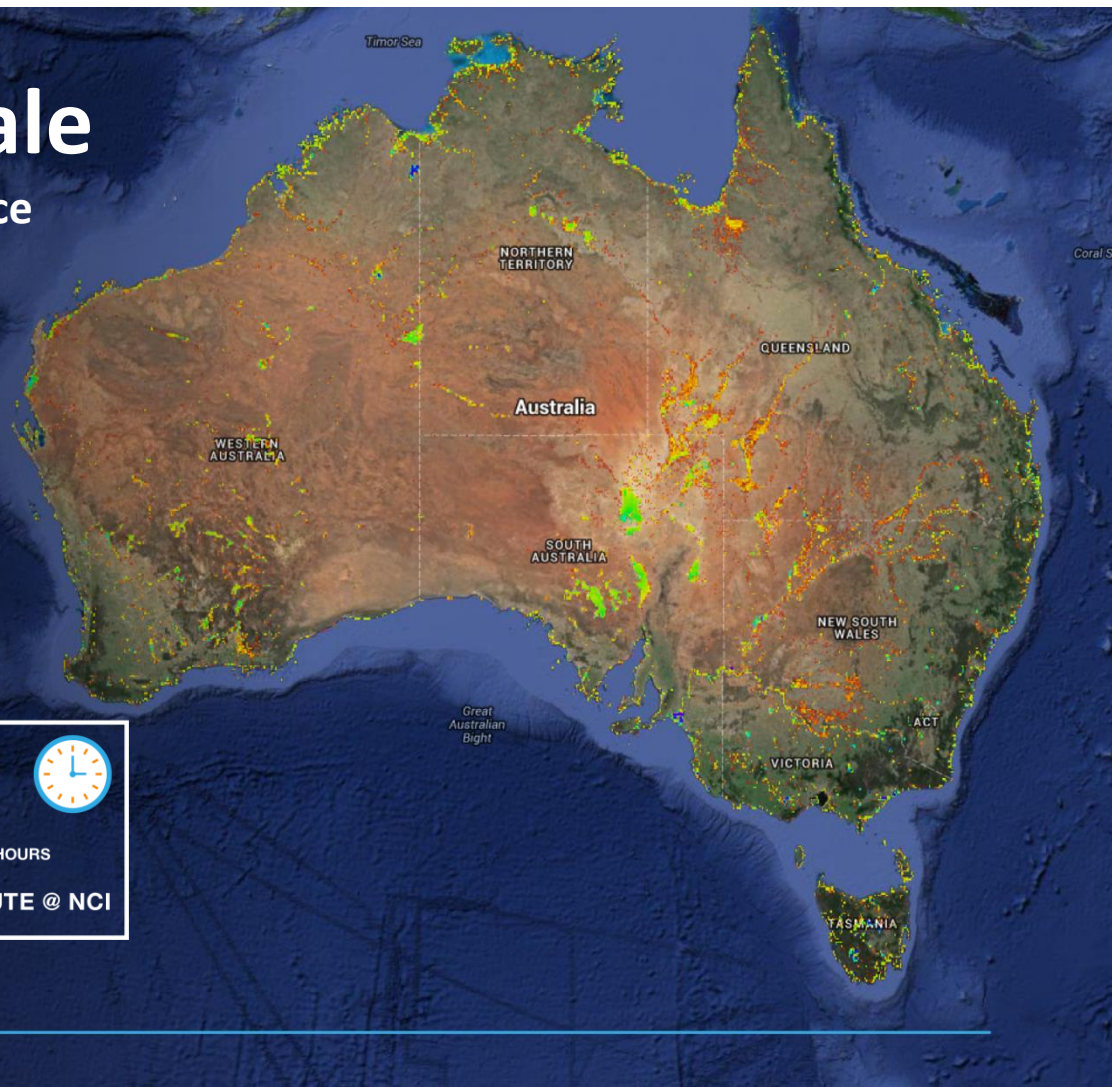
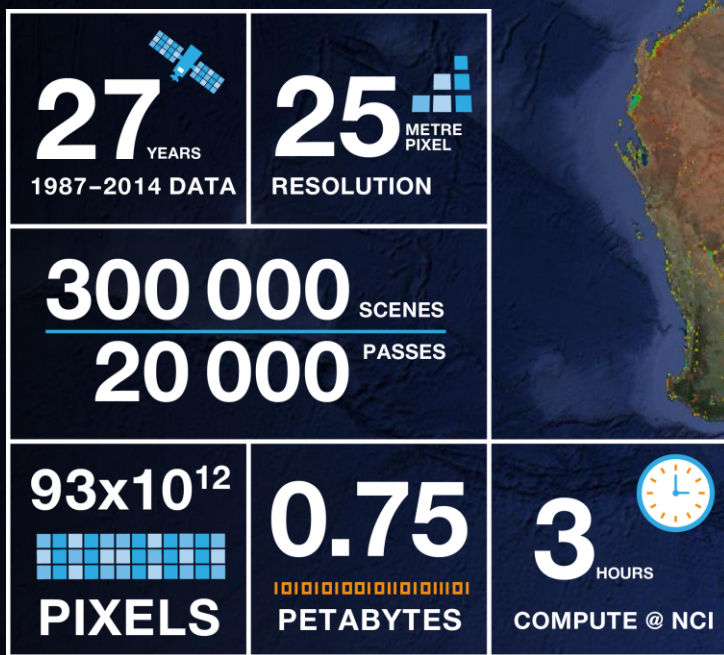
- Atmos. Corr
- Algal blooms
- SwamPy and Sambuca
- Coastal change
- Mangroves



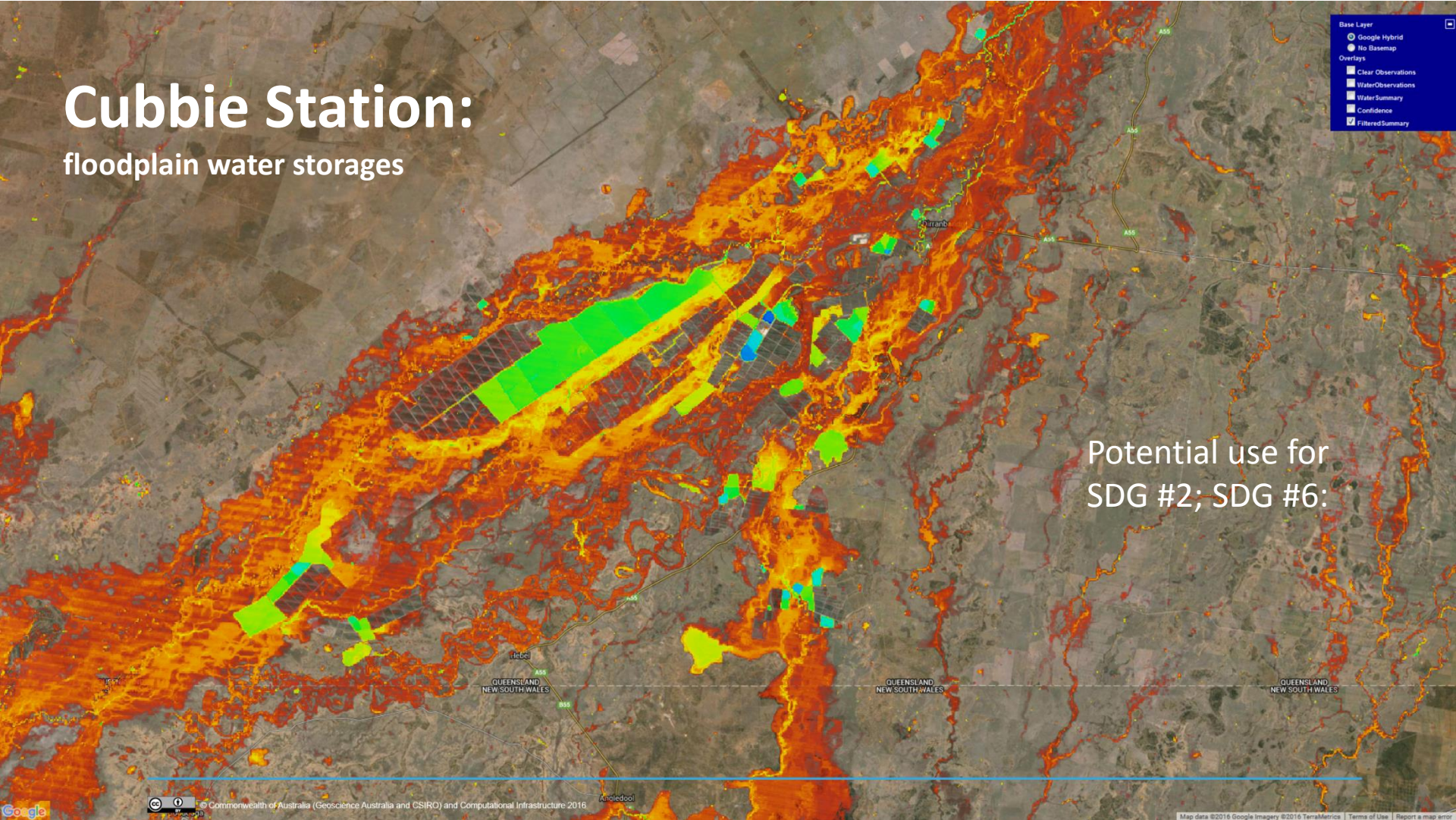


# Continental Scale

## Water Observations from Space

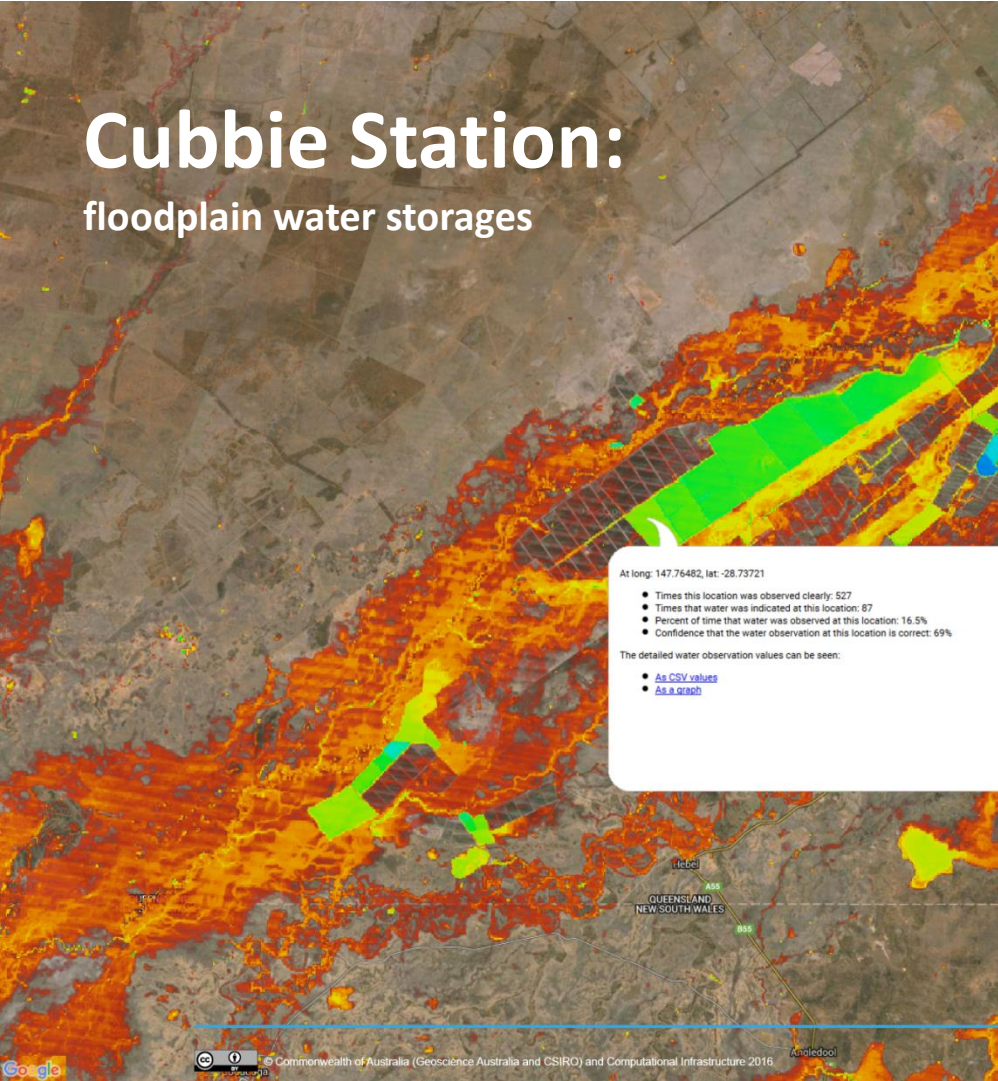


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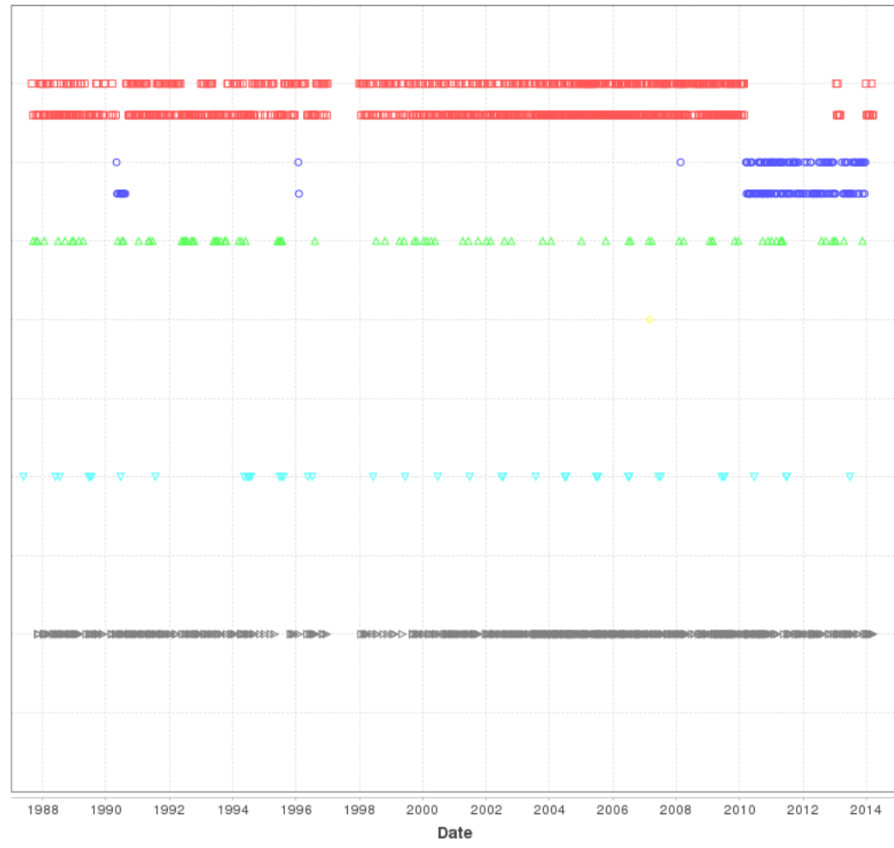
Potential use for  
SDG #2; SDG #6:

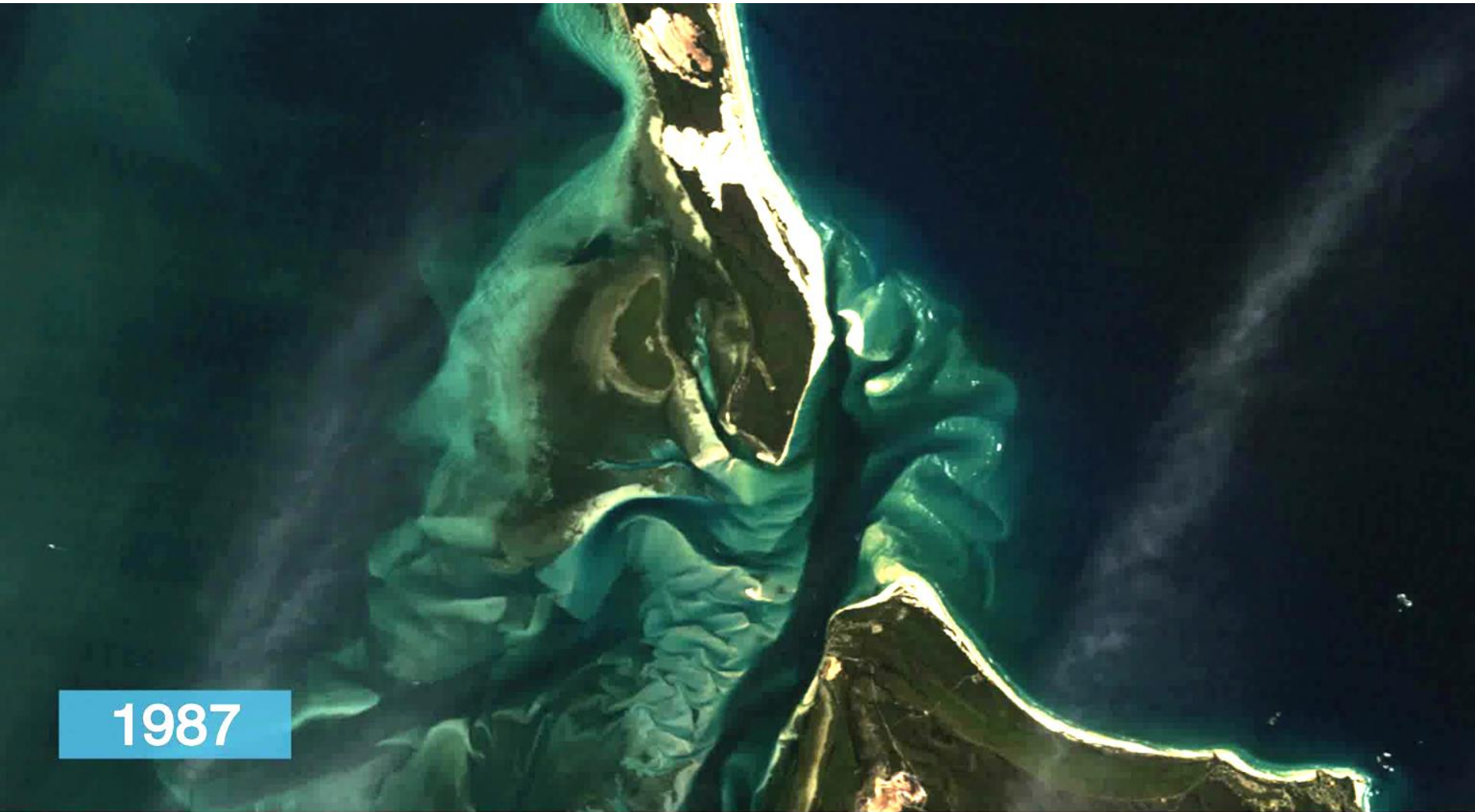
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## WOfS Pixel Drill for (147.76482,-28.73721)

■ Dry 
 ○ Wet 
 ▲ Cloud 
 ● Cloud Shadow 
 ■ High Slope 
 ▼ Terrain Shadow 
 ■ Sea Water 
 ▶ Saturation/Contiguity 
 ■ No Data

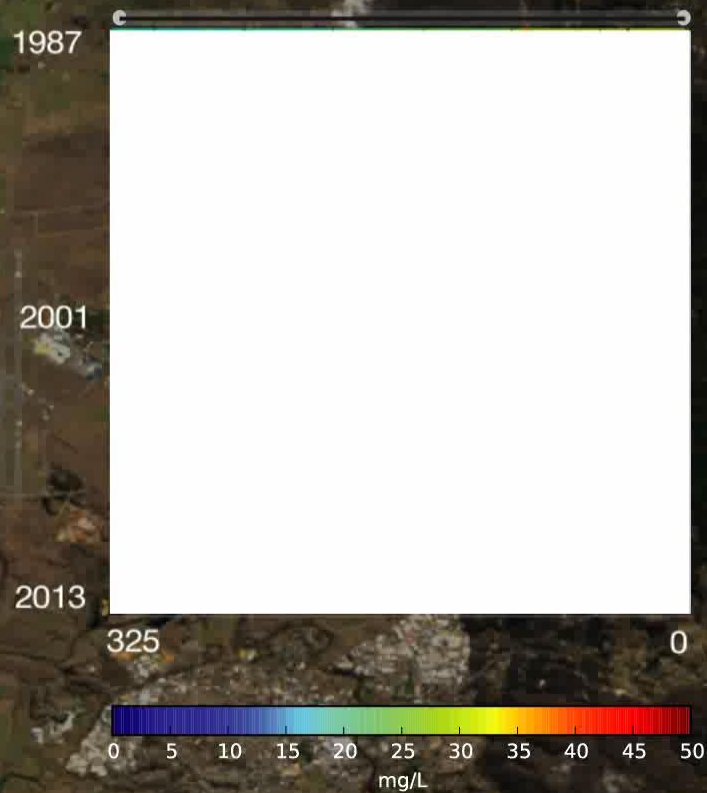




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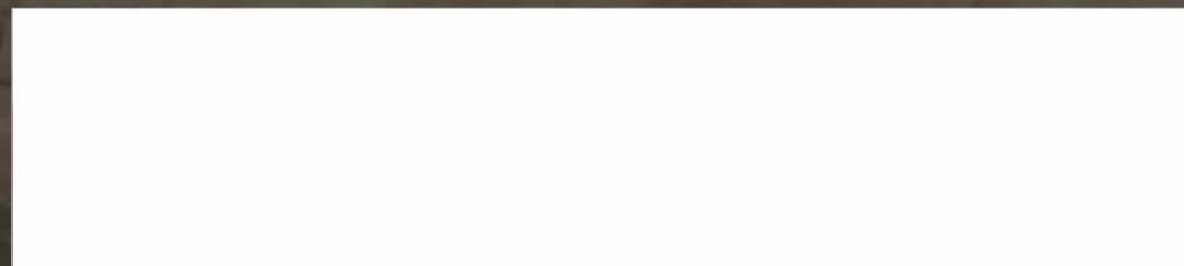
# Water quality monitoring: Lake Burley Griffin

Potential use for  
SDG #6:



Potential use for  
SDG #2; SDG #6:

## Tracking agricultural change



1998

2000

2006

2014

■ green

■ dry

■ soil

# Asia Pacific - Open Data Cube Initiatives

## Vietnam

- Began engagement in Dec 2016, following CSIRO's role as Chair of CEOS in 2015/16
- MOU signed with Vietnam National Space Center and Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology. VNSC in turn have an MOU signed with FIPI (for REDD+)
- Five visits for technical, strategic and application exchanges in 2017 (4 to Vietnam, 1 to Aust)
- Hardware, resources and initial training complete. Implementation in 2018

## China

- Initial technical and strategic discussions over two visits (1 to China, 1 to Aust)
- Linked to broader satellite ground station and regional EO training centres, likely under 'Belt & Road'

## New Zealand

- Proposal accepted by Centre for Space Science Technology (start-up associated with NZ Space)
- First technical workshop in Nov 2017, sponsored by NZ

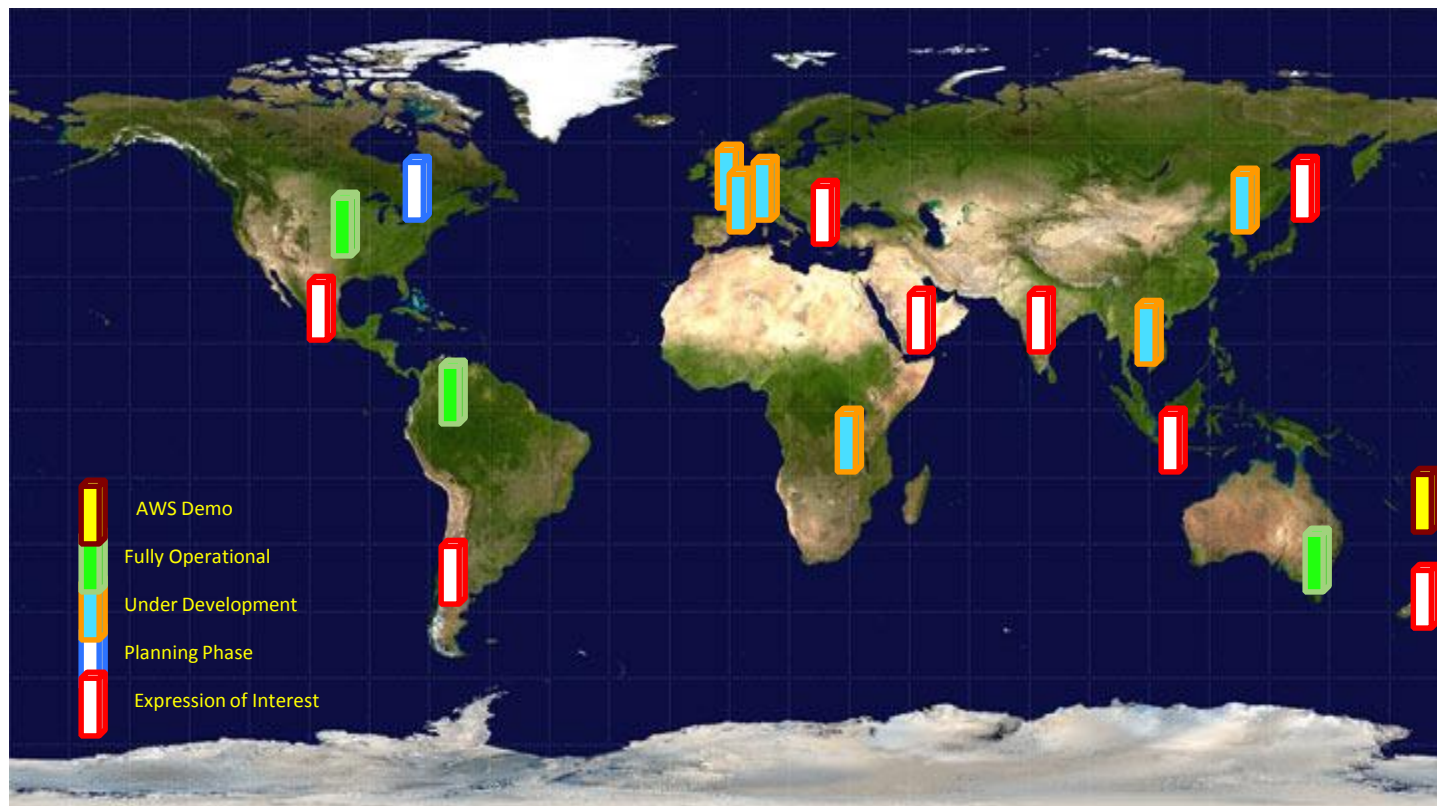
## Taiwan

- Collaboration between National Taiwan University and National Space Organization
- Technical exchange visit in July 2017, sponsored by NTU

## Singapore, India, Seychelles

- Early stage collaboration discussions and technical exchanges

# OpenDataCube.org: Growing a Network of Compatible Open DataCubes





# Regional training

ODC is building a set of standard training materials for the community ([ODC events](#))

- IGARSS 2017, Fort Worth
- IGARSS 2018, Valencia



CSIRO runs training workshops in the Asia-Pacific region

- ..more soon (Singapore, China, Vietnam)

*Contact us to discuss training at your site*

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