# REMOTE SENSING SYSTEMS FOR THE GREAT LAKES

EPA/NASA MEETING CLEVELAND, OHIO JANUARY 5, 1978

#### AGENDA

### GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY MEETING

## JANUARY 5, 1978

### 10:00 AM

- I. EPA REGION V GREAT LAKES NATIONAL PROGRAM OFFICE
- II. REMOTE SENSING PROGRAM FOR GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY
  - A. PROGRAM OVERVIEW
  - B. FATE OF POLLUTANT MAPPING
    - 1. CLEVELAND HARBOR
    - 2. PLUARG TASK D 5 RIVER STUDY
    - 3. DISPERSION MODELING
    - 4. MILWUAKEE HARBOR
  - C. BIOMASS MAPPING
    - 1. PHYTOPLANKTON
    - 2. BENTHIC ALGAE
  - D. USE OF REAL TIME DATA FOR AIDING SURFACE SURVEYS
  - E. SUMMARY OF REMOTE SENSING MEASUREMENT CAPABILITIES
  - F. LERC PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPING CORRELATIONS
  - G. LERC REMOTE SENSING FACILITIES
  - H. NIMBUS G COASTAL ZONE COLOR SCANNER (CZCS)
- III. EPA MEASUREMENT NEEDS
  - IV. FUTURE EPA REGION V/NASA LERC ACTIVITIES
- V. FACILITY TOUR
  - A. IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM
  - B. AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS

## REMOTE SENSING PROGRAM FOR GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY NASA LEWIS RESEARCH CENTER

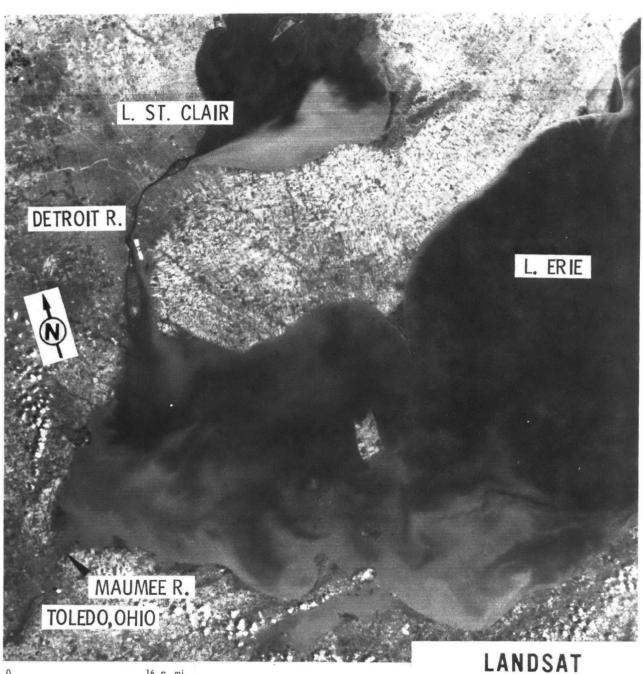
#### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

TO DEVELOP METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR MONITORING WATER QUALITY AND OTHER LIMNOLOGICAL PARAMETERS IN THE GREAT LAKES USING REMOTE SENSING DATA. ULTIMATE GOALS WILL BE TO DEVELOP REALISTIC SYSTEMS USING DATA FROM SATELLITES SUCH AS LANDSAT AND NIMBUS-G. SYSTEMS WHICH DO NOT PROVE FEASIBLE FOR SATELLITE ALTITUDES WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR AIRCRAFT PLATFORMS.

THE CRITERIA IS THAT THE METHODS AND/OR SYSTEMS:

- A. CAN EVENTUALLY BE OPERATED BY EPA TO PERFORM OPERATIONAL SURVEILLANCE OF THE GREAT LAKES.
- B. ALLOW THE SURVEILLANCE TO BE PERFORMED MORE EFFICIENTLY (LESS RESOURCES)

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- C. BE TRANSFERRED TO EPA. we don't have preview for on sumillance



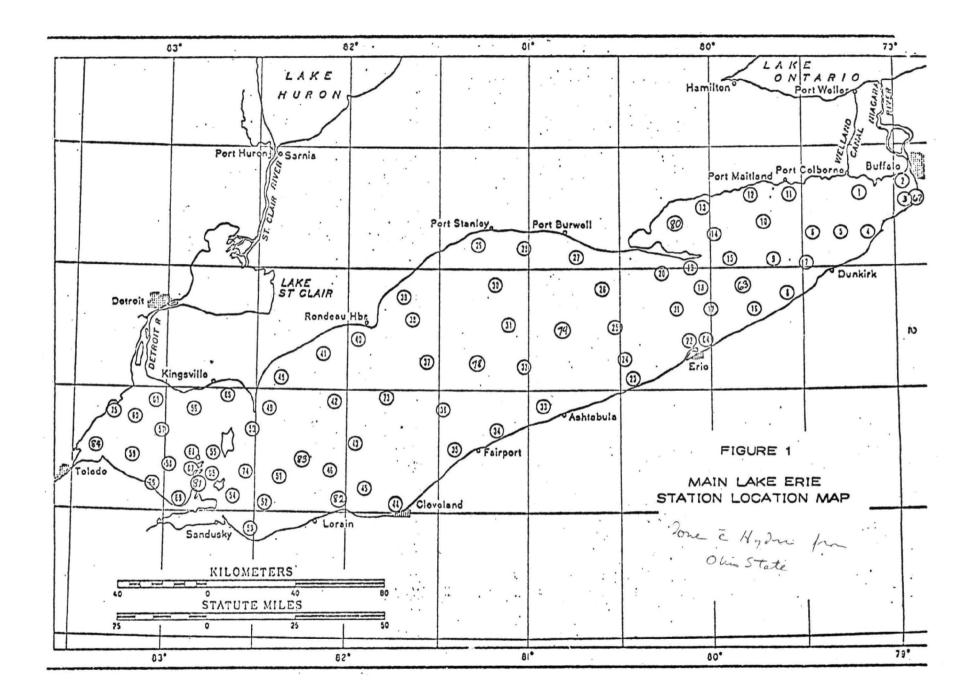
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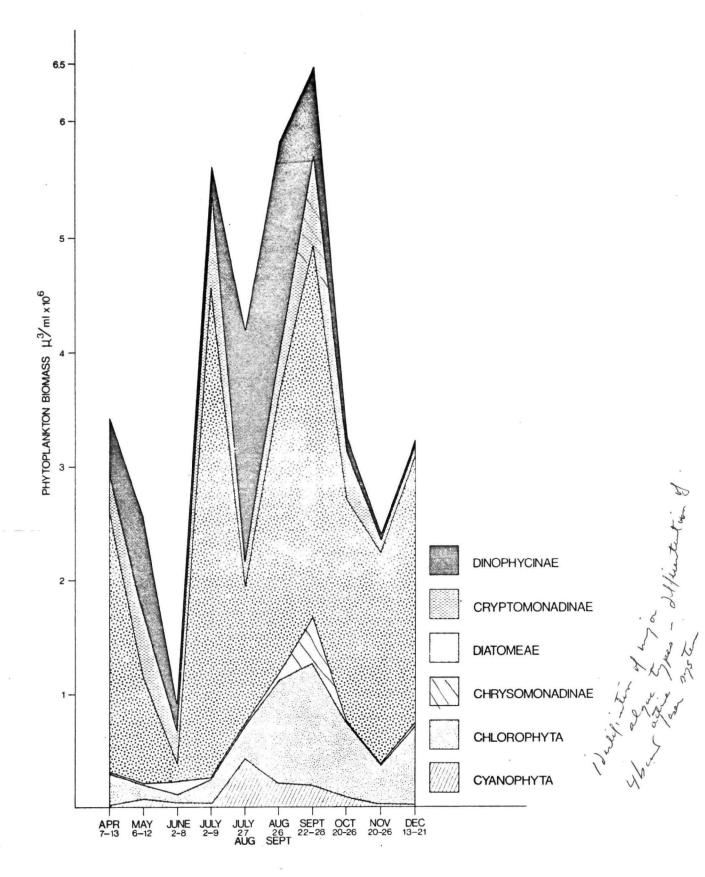
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#### GREAT LAKE USES FOR REMOTE MEASUREMENTS

- @ EXTRAPOLATION OF SHIP MEASUREMENTS OVER LARGE AREAS (SPATIAL VARIATIONS)
- EXTRAPOLATE BETWEEN SHIP CRUISES (TEMPORAL' VARIATIONS)
- PROVIDE NEAR REAL TIME AREA INFORMATION FOR SELECTING SHIP SURVEY SITES
- DETERMINE ZONE OF INFLUENCES FOR WATER INTAKES
- MONITOR NEAR SHORE VARIABILITY AND FATE OF POLLUTION SOURCES
- DETERMINE DISPERSION PATTERNS, SHORE EROSION, AND AREAS OF RESUSPENSION
- MONITOR TRANSBOUNDARY MOVEMENT
- MONITOR UPWELLING
- PROVIDE SYNOPTIC INFORMATION FOR LARGE LAKE MODELS (LAKE DYNAMICS, PARTICULATE DISPERSION, TROPHIC CONDITIONS) AND FOR PERFORMING BUDGET ANALYSES
- AID IN DETERMINING FATE OF DREDGE MATERIALS
- MONITOR INDUSTRIAL WASTES SUCH AS OIL AND ACIDS
- MONITOR MUNICIPAL WASTES
- MONITORING OF TROPHIC STATE





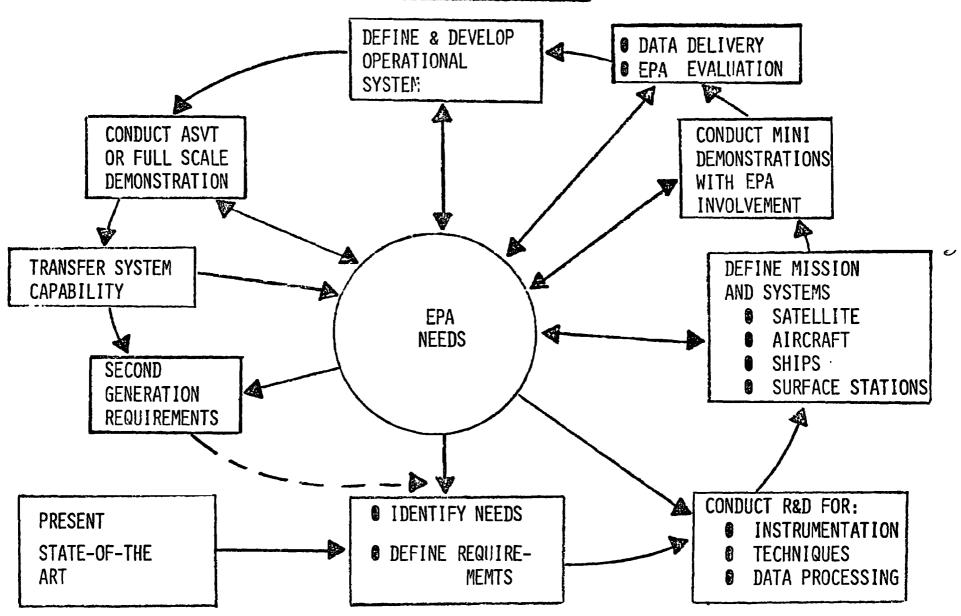
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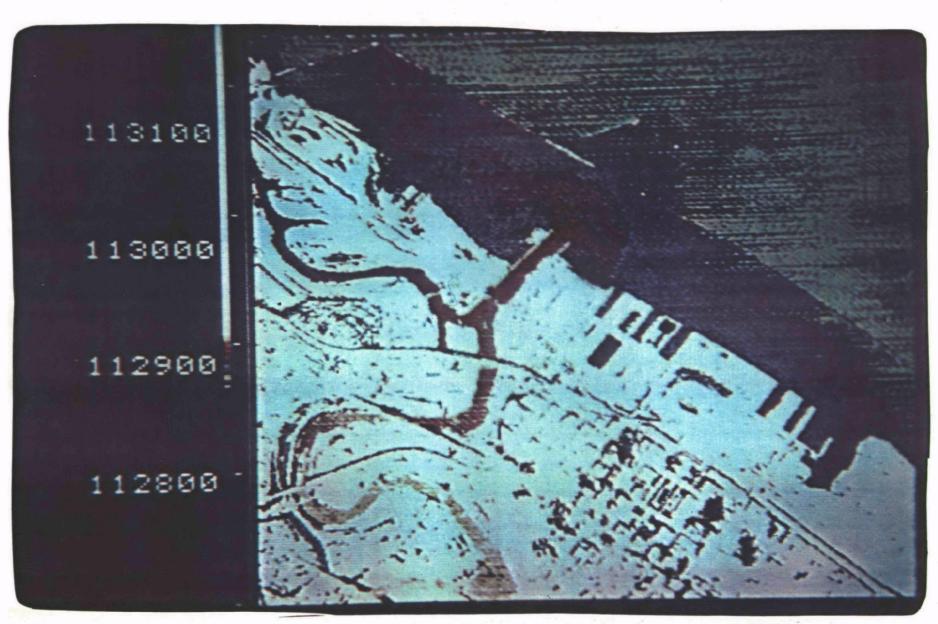
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## JOINT EPA/NASA <u>REMOTE SENSING SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT</u>



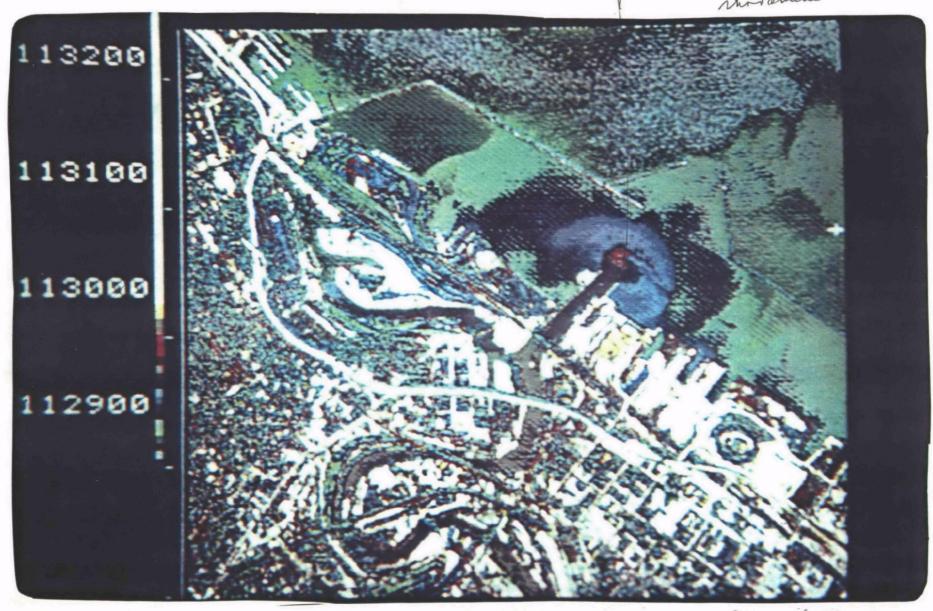
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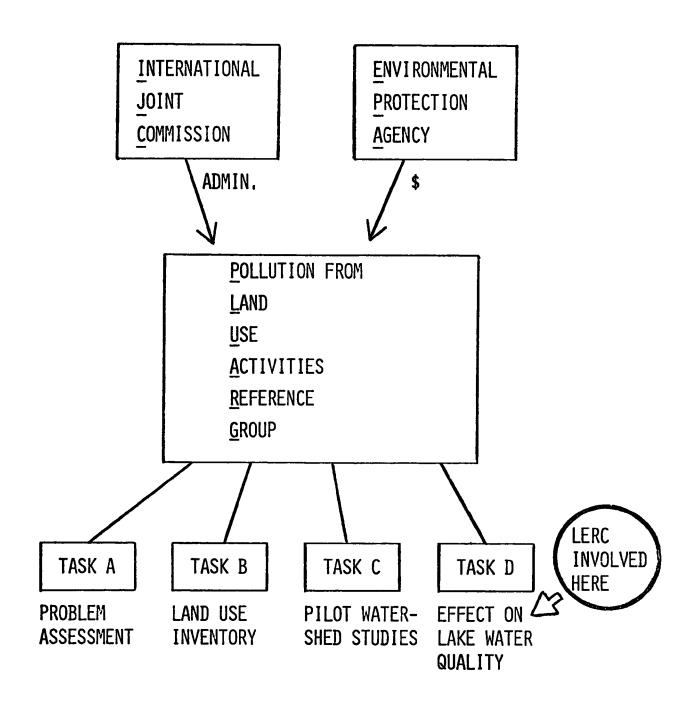
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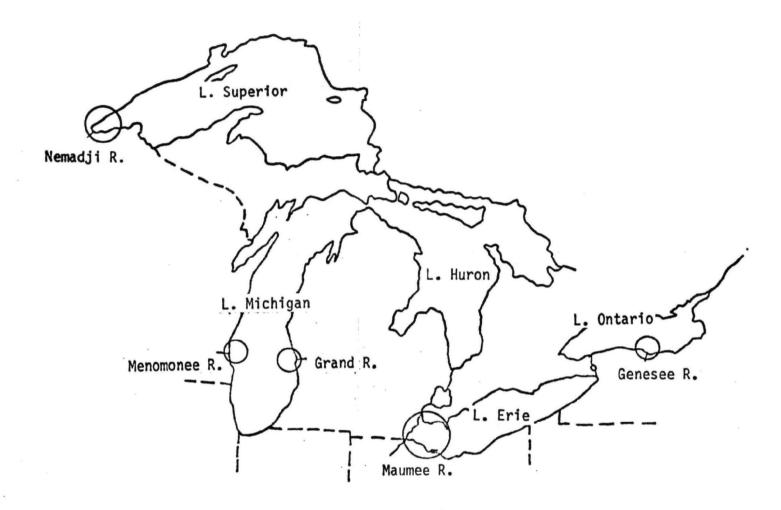


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- A. DETERMINE KINDS AND QUANTITIES OF CONTAMINANTS ENTERING LAKES, PARTICULARLY UNDER EVENT CONDITIONS.
  - 1. SEDIMENTS
  - 2. NUTRIENTS
  - 3. TOXIC SUBSTANCES
  - 4. DISSOLVED MATERIALS
- B. IDENTIFY DISTRIBUTION PATTERNS AND TRANSPORT MECHANISMS OF CONTAMINANTS.
- C. ASSESS IMPACT ON ENTIRE LAKE SYSTEM.



#### SITE

Maumee R./L. Erie - W. Basin Genesee R./L. Ontario Menomonee R./L. Michigan Grand R./L. Michigan Nemadji R./L. Superior

### SHIP SURVEY RESPONSIBILITY

Ohio State Univ. - Center for Lake Erie Area Research State Univ. N.Y. at Buffaco - Great Lakes Laboratory Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Great Lakes Environmental Research Lab (NOAA) University of Minnesota at Duluth

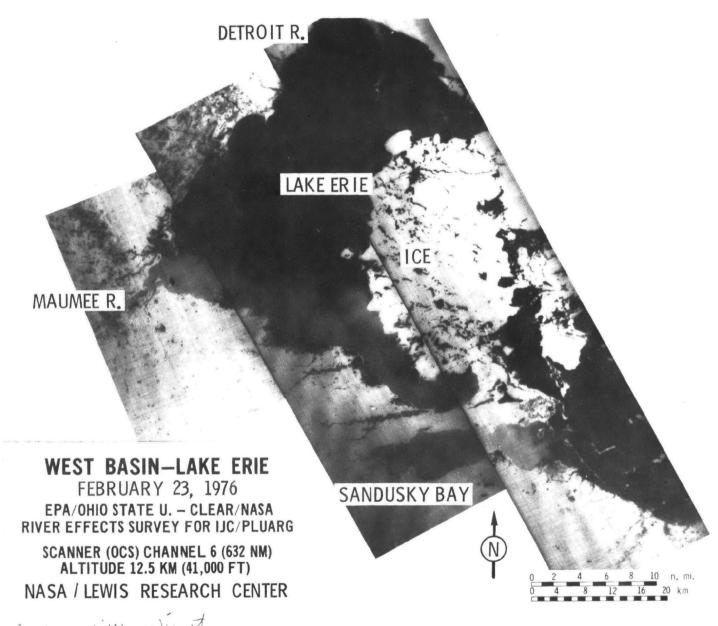
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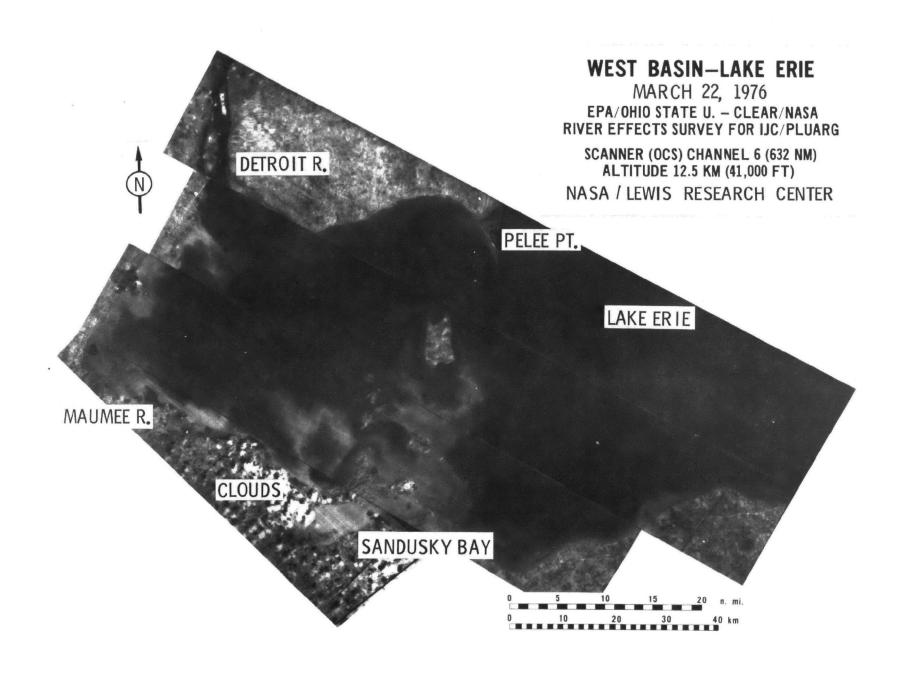
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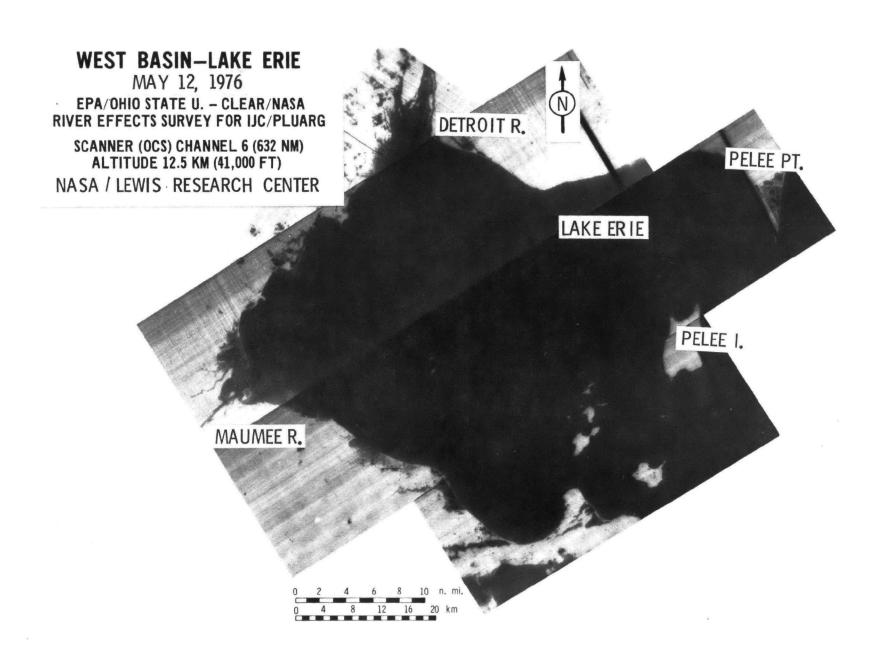
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ivent (	MAUMEE	2/17-6/5	2/18-6/23	17	16	15*	8
	GENESEE	2/24-9/24	3/31-9/24	4	6	7	2
7	MENOMONEE	2/20-6/7	2/13-9/9	4	7	7	2
	GRAND	2/23-4/2	2/25-7/2	4	9	9	3
	NEMADJ I	4/1-7/8	3/31-5/21	<del>4</del> <del>33</del>	9 47	<u>10</u> 48	<u>5</u> 20

<sup>\*15</sup> TOTAL CRUISES REPORTED, MOST WERE MULTIPLE DAY CRUISES



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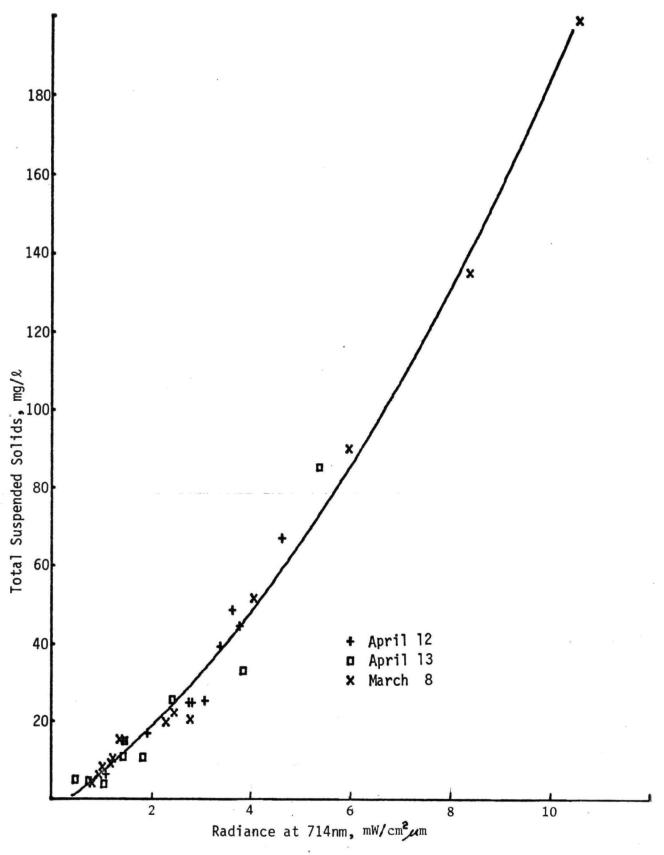
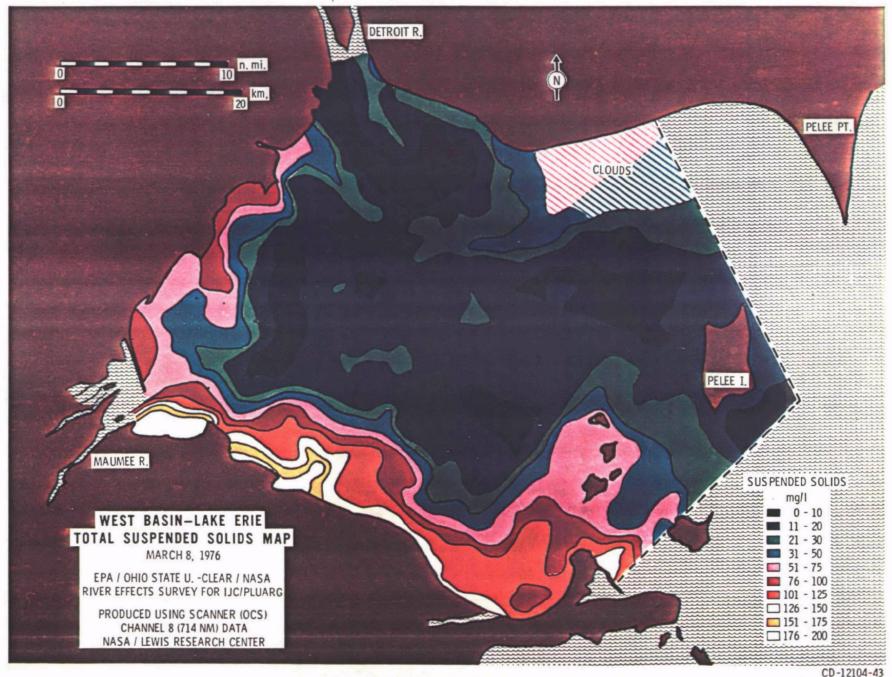


Figure 33. Generalized correlation applicable to data from multiple days.

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Western Arm Surface Total Organic N Values (mg/ $\ell$ ) on April 4, 1976

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## SUMMARY OF QUANTITATIVE CHEMICAL PARAMETER MAPS PRODUCED FOR PLUARG SURVEY (SUSPENDED SOLIDS USED AS TRACER)

RIVER CHEMICAL PARAMETER

MAUMEE DISSOLVED OXYGEN, TOTAL PHOSPHORUS

GENESEE CHLOROPHYLL A

MENOMONEE CHLORIDE, AMMONIA NITROGEN, NITRATE NITROGEN,

TOTAL SOLIDS, DISSOLVED OXYGEN, TOTAL PHOS-

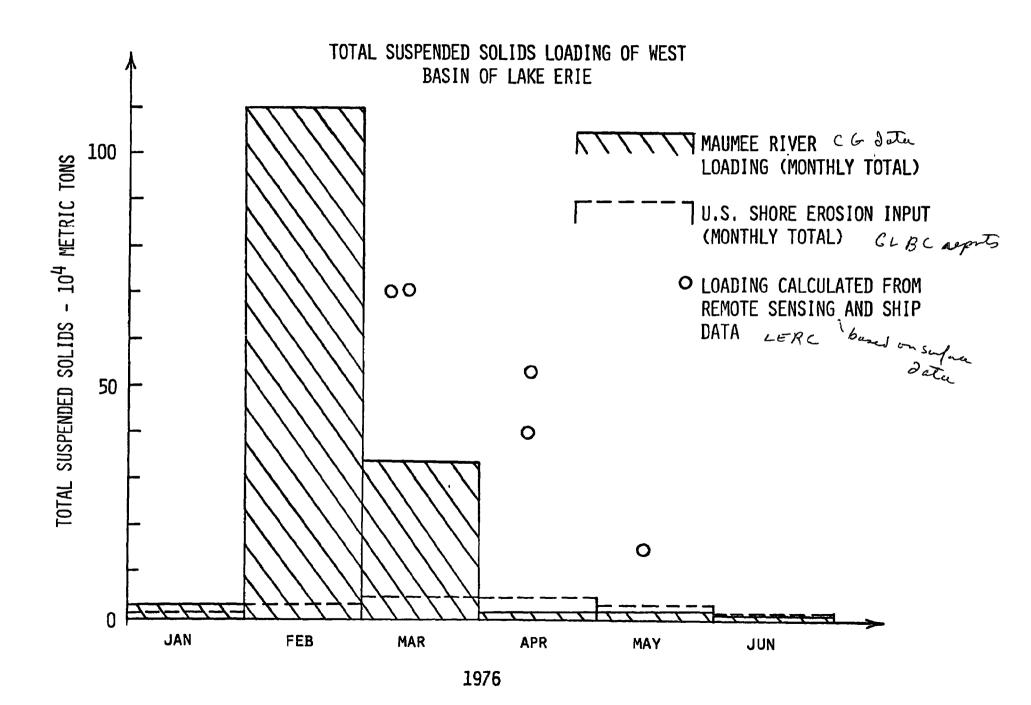
PHORUS, PARTICULATE PHOSPHORUS

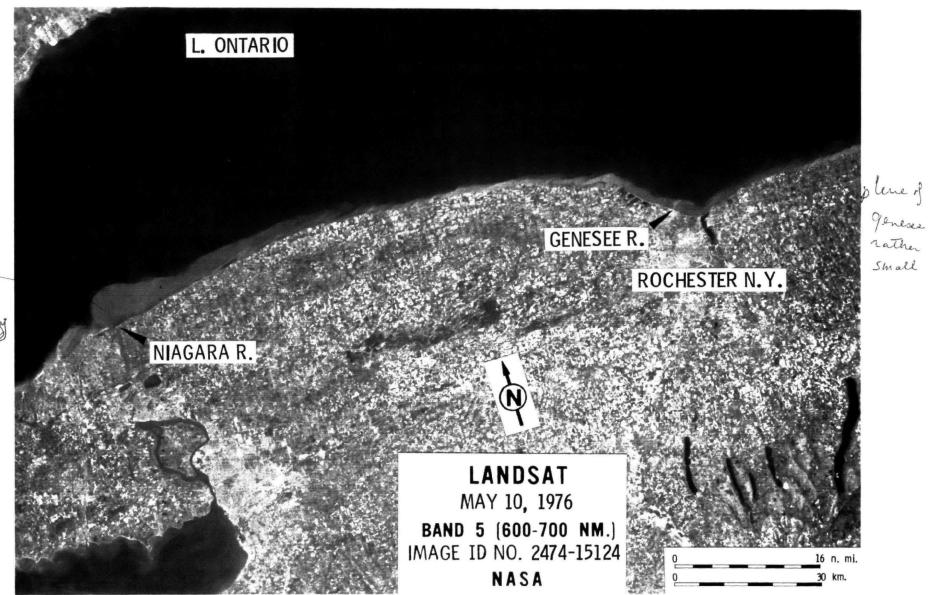
GRAND CALCIUM, MAGNESIUM, TOTAL KJELDAHL NITROGEN,

CHLOROPHYLL A, SILICA, TOTAL PHOSPHORUS

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SILICA, SULFATE





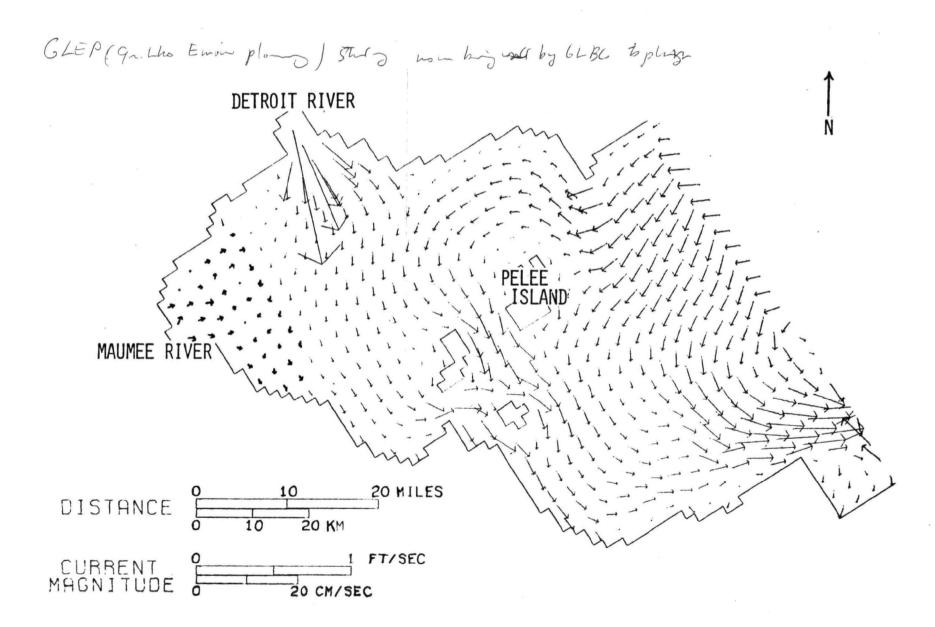
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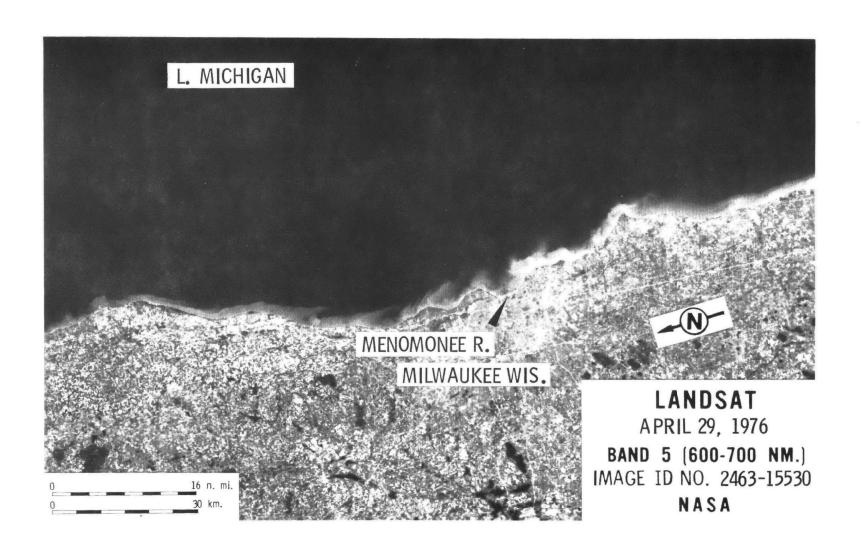
## NUMERICAL MODELLING

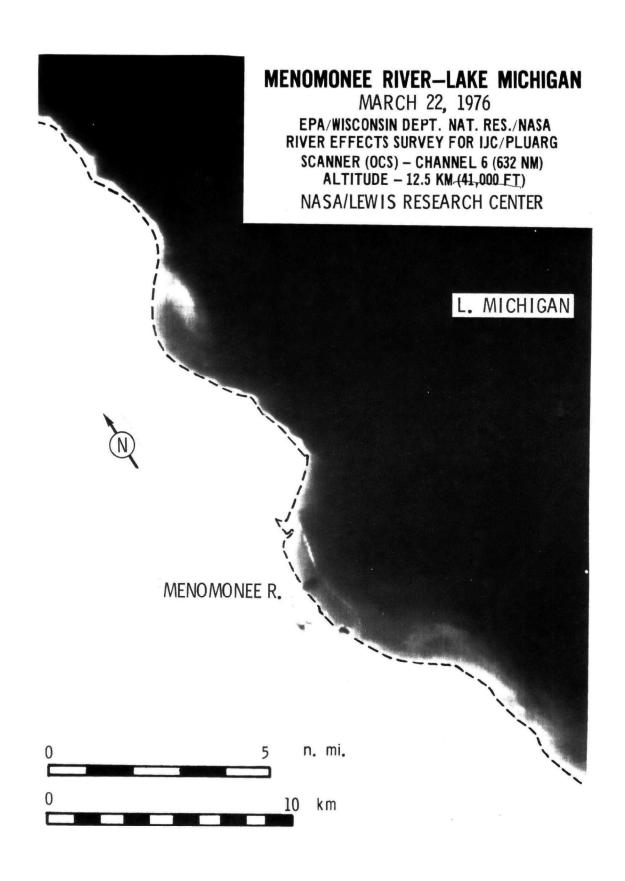
- NUMERICAL MODELS FOR WIND DRIVEN CURRENTS IN GREAT LAKES HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOPED AT LERC. AT PRESENT, HOWEVER, NO FURTHER MODEL DEVELOPMENT IS BEING PERFORMED
- EPA-GROOSE ILE IS PRESENTLY DEVELOPING NUMERICAL CURRENT, DISPERSION AND ECOLOGICAL MODELS
- LERC IS WORKING WITH EPA-GROSSE ILE ON THE UTILIZATION OF REMOTE SENSING DATA TO PROVIDE SYNOPTIC INPU'S FOR MODELS
  - 1975 CLEVELAND HARBOR DATA
  - 1976 PLUARG TASK D DATA
- © EPA-GROSSE ILE IS USING THE LERC COMPUTER FACILITIES VIA REMOTE TERMINAL FOR RUNNING THEIR MODELS

Computer generated plot

CALCULATED WEST BASIN SUBSURFACE (4.6 M) CURRENTS AT 9:00 AM, MARCH 8, 1976









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## MENOMONEE RIVER-LAKE MICHIGAN

APRIL 8, 1976

EPA/WISCONSIN DEPT. NAT. RES./NASA RIVER EFFECTS SURVEY FOR IJC/PLUARG SCANNER (M<sup>2</sup>S) — CHANNEL 4 (560 NM) ALTITUDE — 3.04 KM (10,000 FT) NASA/LEWIS RESEARCH CENTER

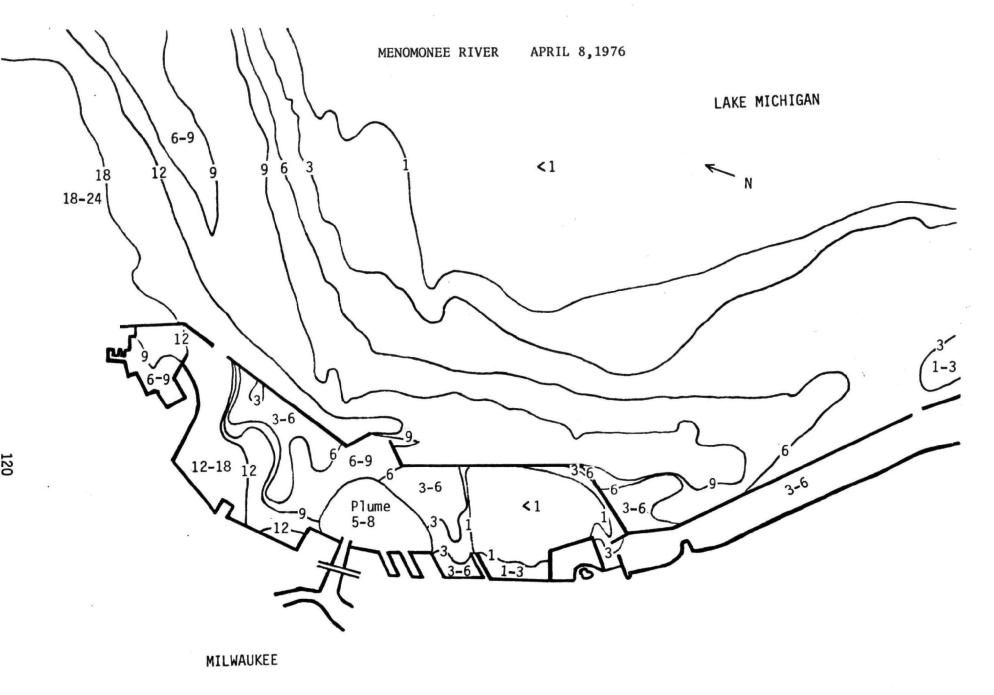
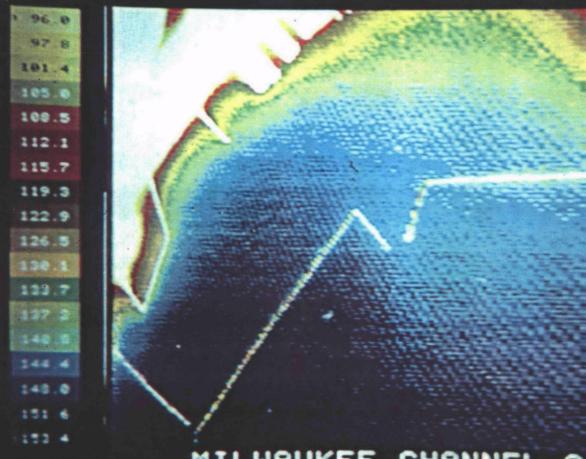
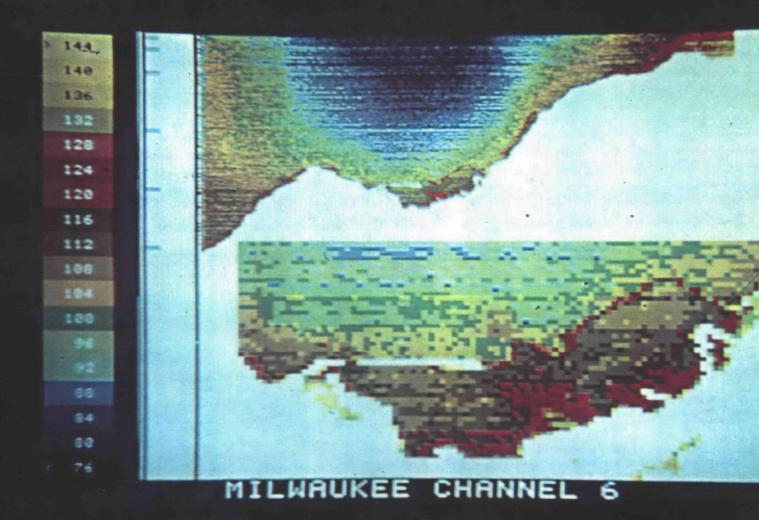


Figure 75. Contour plot of suspended solids (mg/2) - see tables 10 and 11 for particulate phosphorus.



MILWAUKEE CHANNEL 9 NADIR=575 OFFSET= 500



#### LAKE ONTARIO

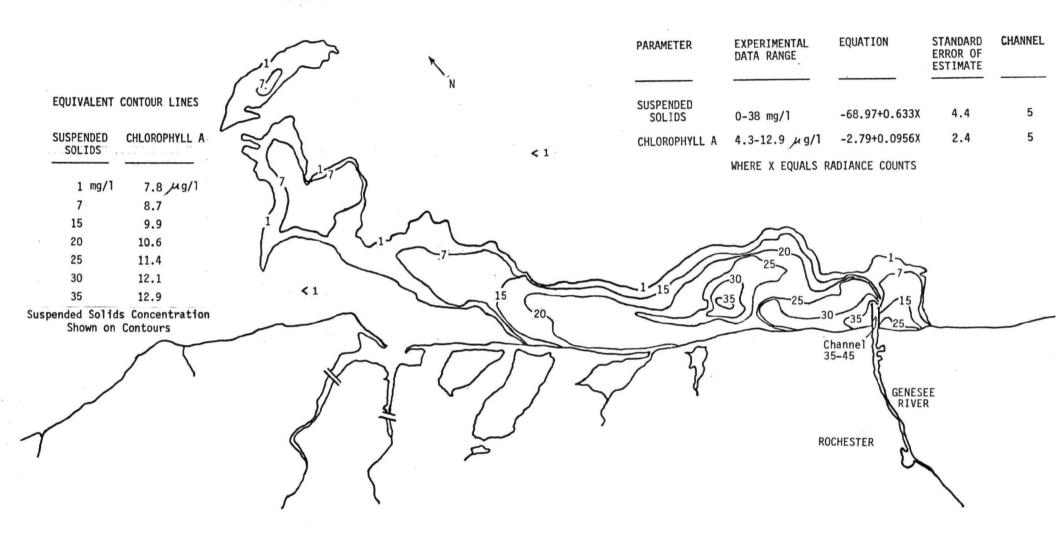


FIGURE .58 CONTOUR PLOT OF SUSPENDED SOLIDS AND CHLOROPHYLL A

## PHYTOPLANKTON - CHLOROPHYLL MEASUREMENTS

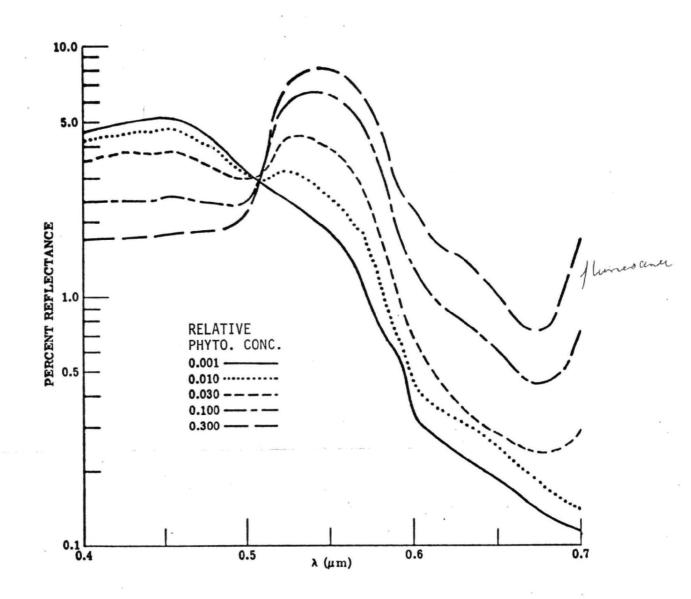
- REMOTE SENSING TECHNIQUES ARE BASED ON EFFECTS OF CHLOROPHYLL/PIGMENT LIGHT ABSORPTION AND FLUORESCENCE ON REFLECTANCE SPECTRA
- REMOTE SENSING METHODS TESTED IN GREAT LAKES
  - A. RATIO OF RED AND BLUE BAND INTENSITIES
  - B. DIFFERENCES OF RED AND BLUE BAND INTENSITIES

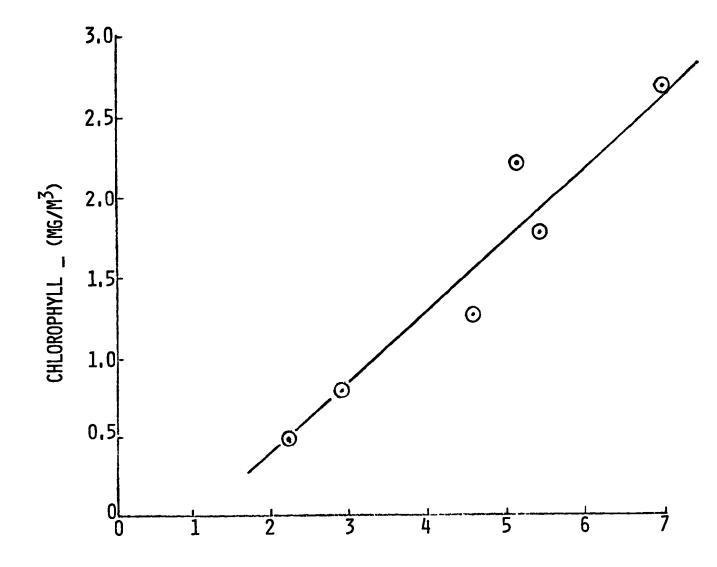
  - C. SUNLIGHT INDUCED FLUORESCENCE Low of 685

    D. LASER INDUCED FLUORESENCE flown puriary in L. Outaris
- MEASUREMENT COMPLEXITY

GREAT LAKES CHLOROPHYLL RANGE - .5 TO 80 Mg/m3: none of some write some entire range VARIETY OF SPECIES ABUNDANT AT VARIOUS TIMES LARGE VARIATIONS IN VERTICAL DISTRIBUTION SIGNIFICANT INORGANIC PARTICULATE PRESENT AT HIGHER CHLOROPHYLL CONCENTRATIONS

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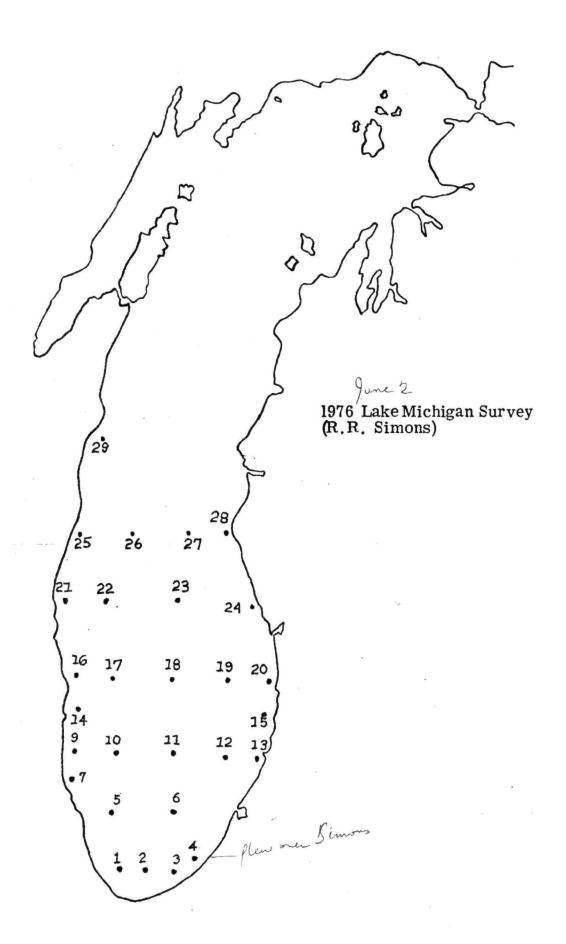


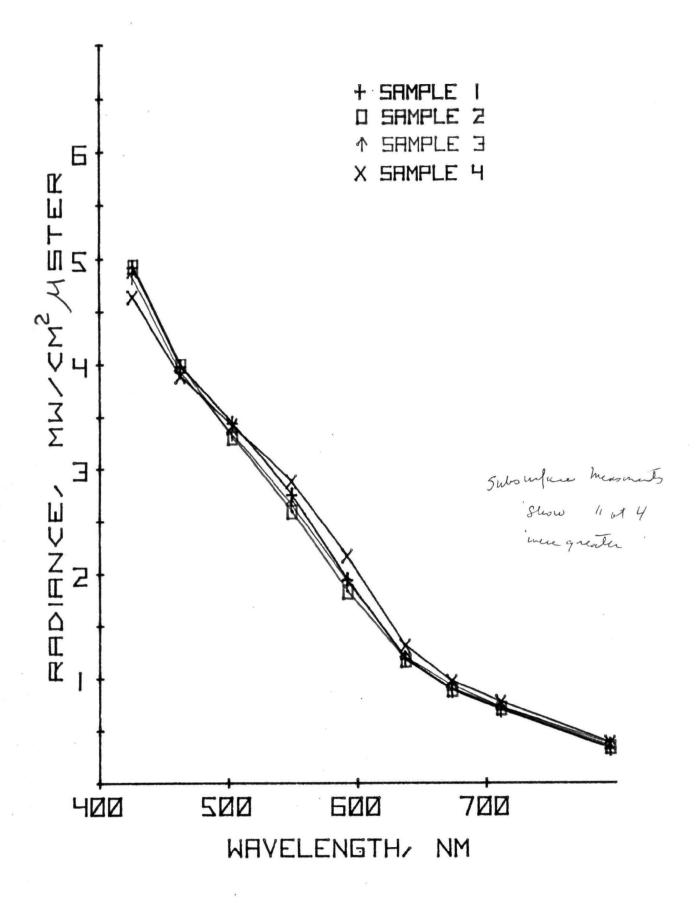
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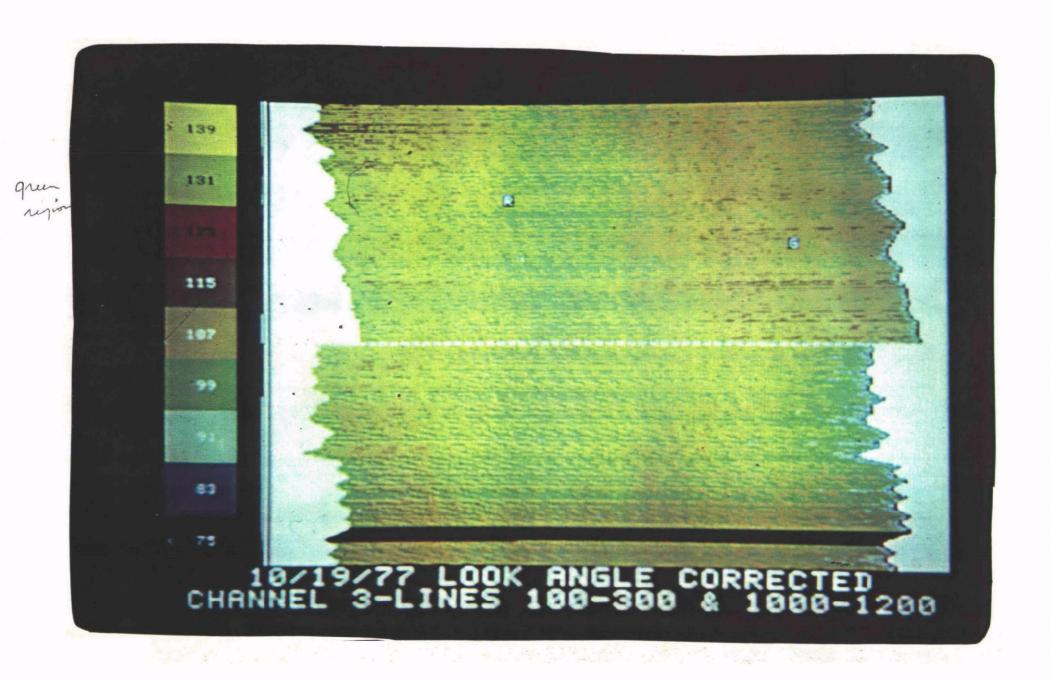
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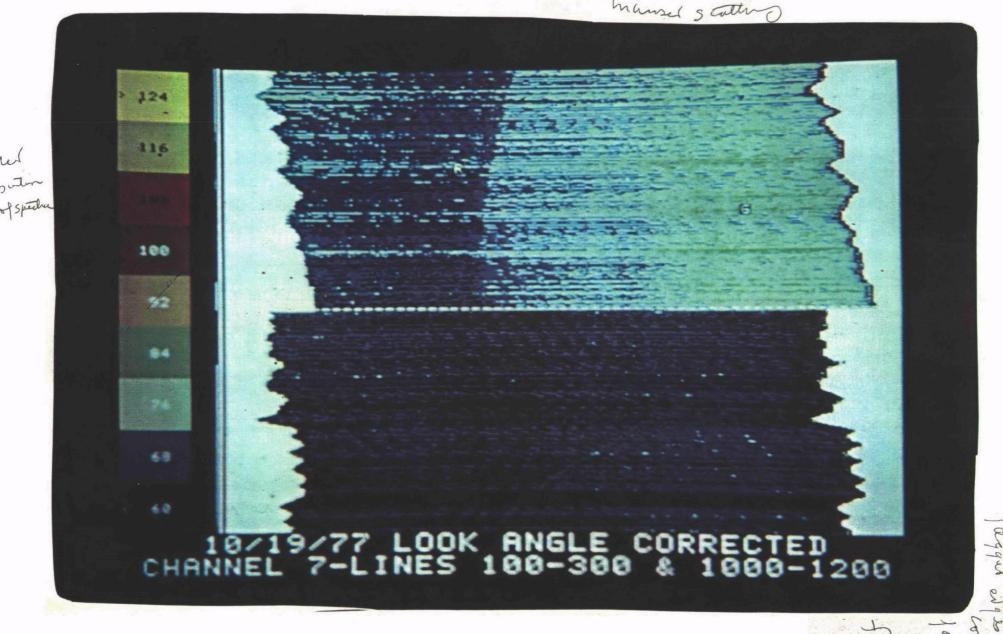
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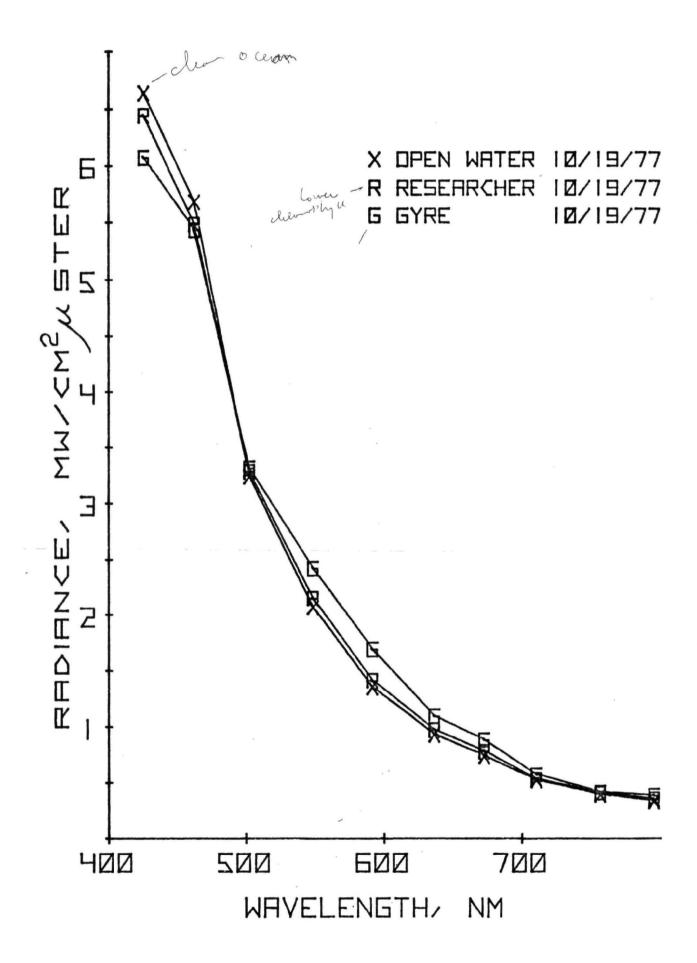




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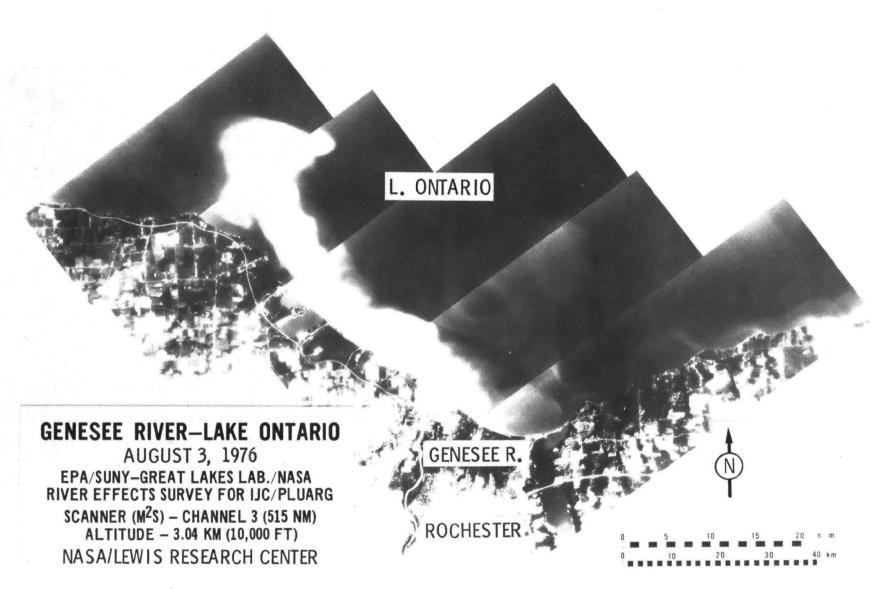




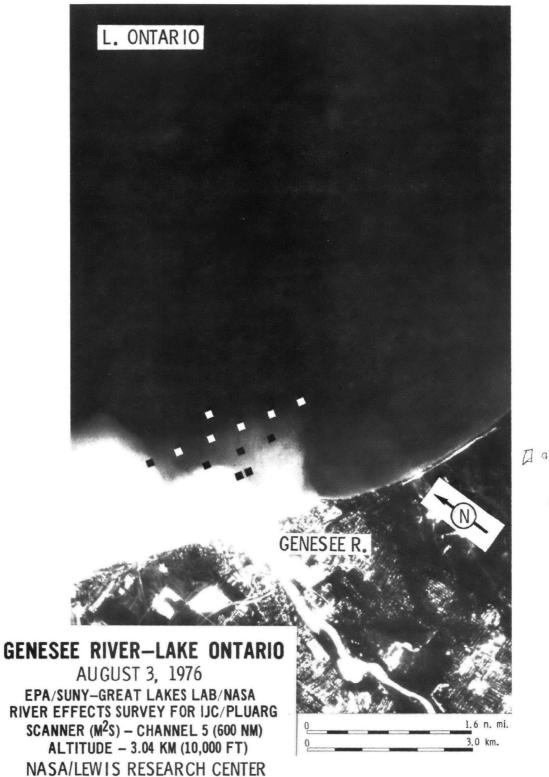
## CLADOPHORA MAPPING

- A BENTHIC ALGAE WHICH CONTRIBUTES TO MAJOR PROBLEMS IN NEAR SHORE AREA. HIGH TOLERANCE TO TURBID WATER. INDICATOR OF NUTRIENT LOADINGS.
- REMOTE SENSING TECHNIQUES OF MONITORING BY RATIOING OF TWO ADJACENT BANDS HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED WITH AIRCRAFT SCANNERS.
- > HIGH SPACIAL RESOLUTION (40 to 80 METERS) IS REQUIRED
  - HIGH ALTITUDE REMOTE SENSING COULD EFFICIENTLY AID STUDIES ON PRODUCTIVITY IN RELATION TO LOCATION, SEASON AND OTHER ABIOTIC PARAMETERS.
  - GROUND TRUTH IS NECESSARY TO ESTIMATE BIOMASS IMAGERY COULD BE USED FOR SAMPLING SITE SELECTION.

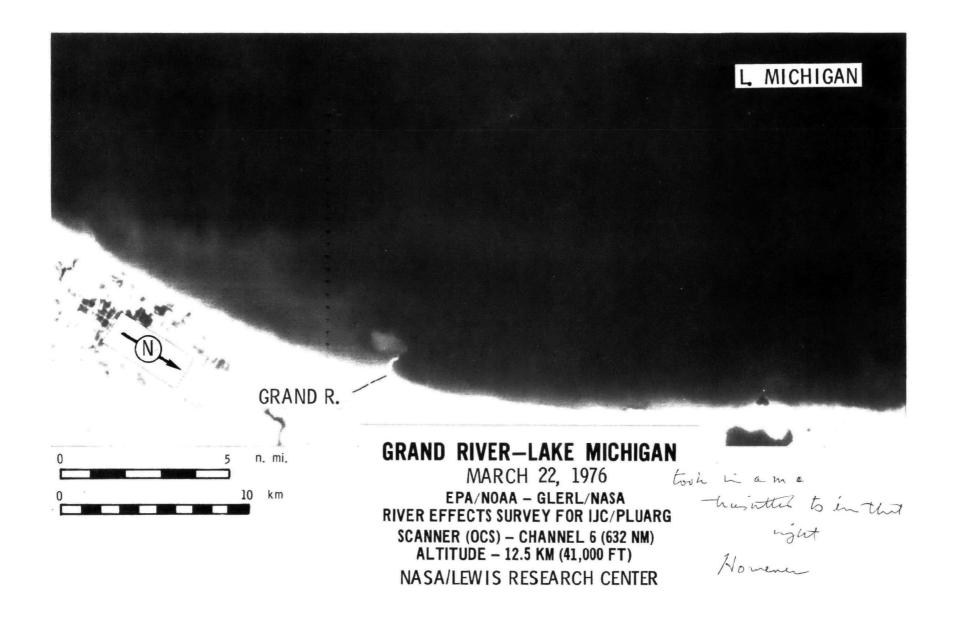
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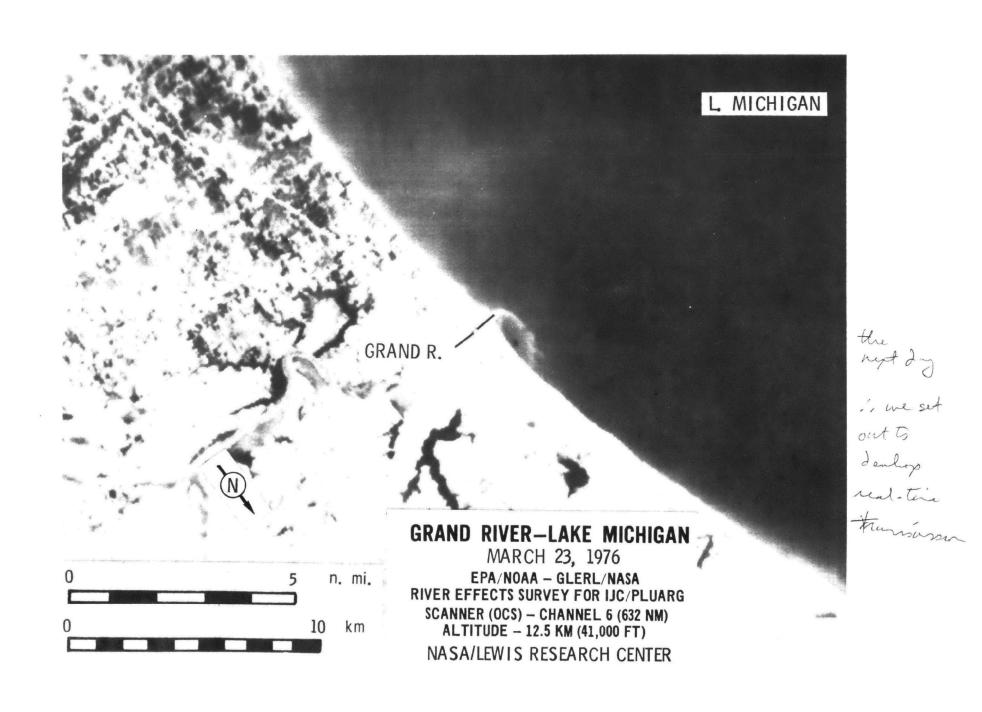


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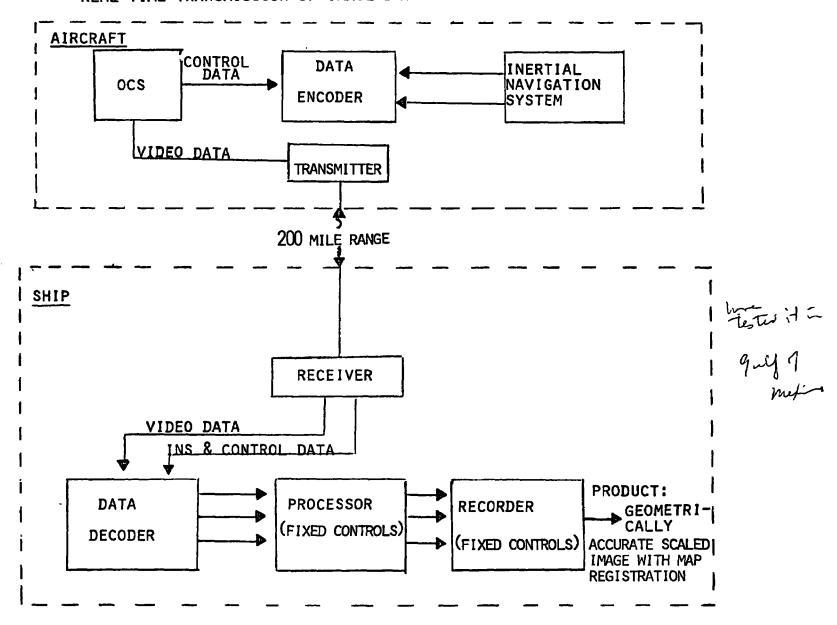


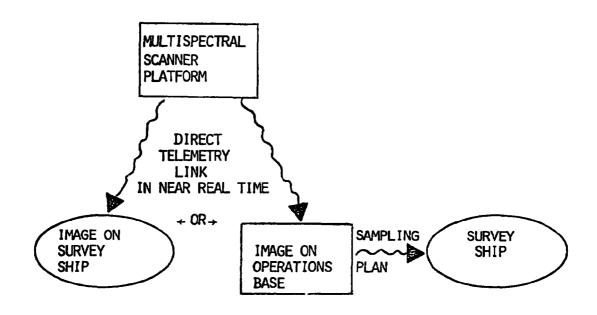
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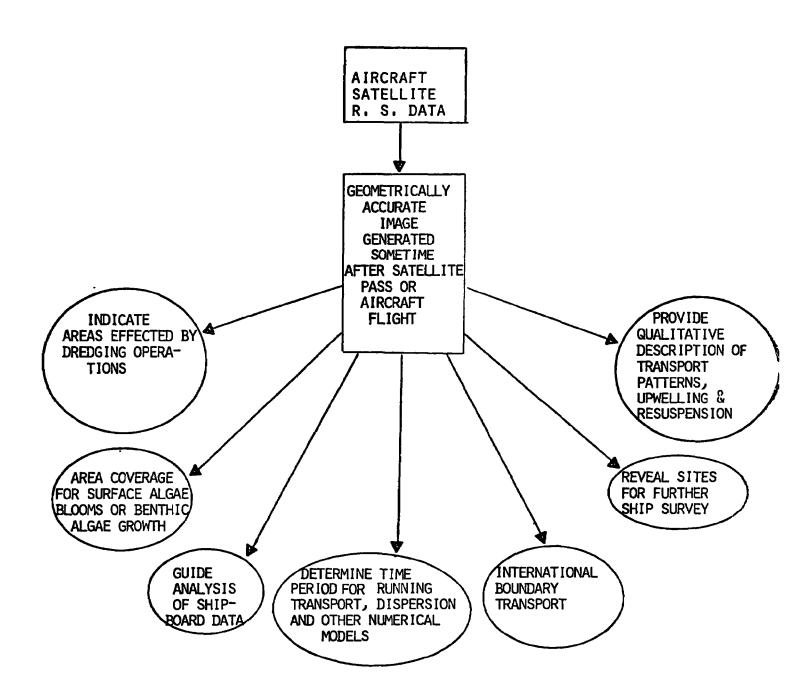




REAL-TIME TRANSMISSION OF IMAGE DATA FROM AIRCRAFT TO SHIP







# PARAMETER MEASUREMENTS FOR WHICH REMOTE SENSING CAN BE UTILIZED (NOW OR IN THE NEAR-TERM FUTURE)

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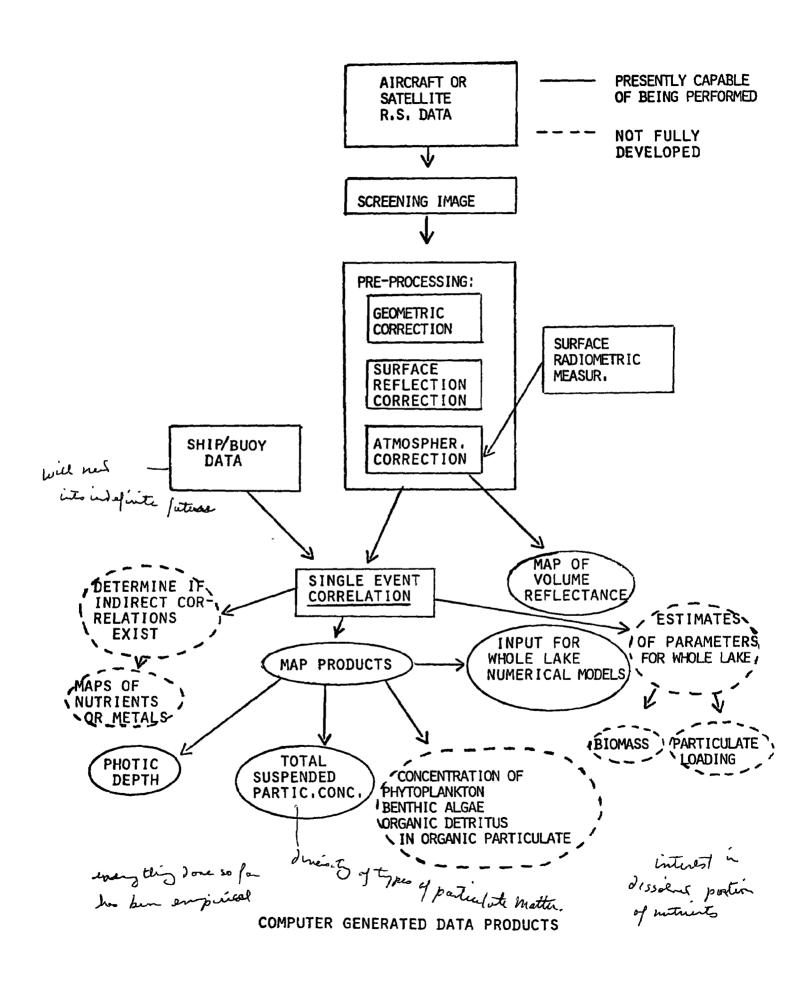
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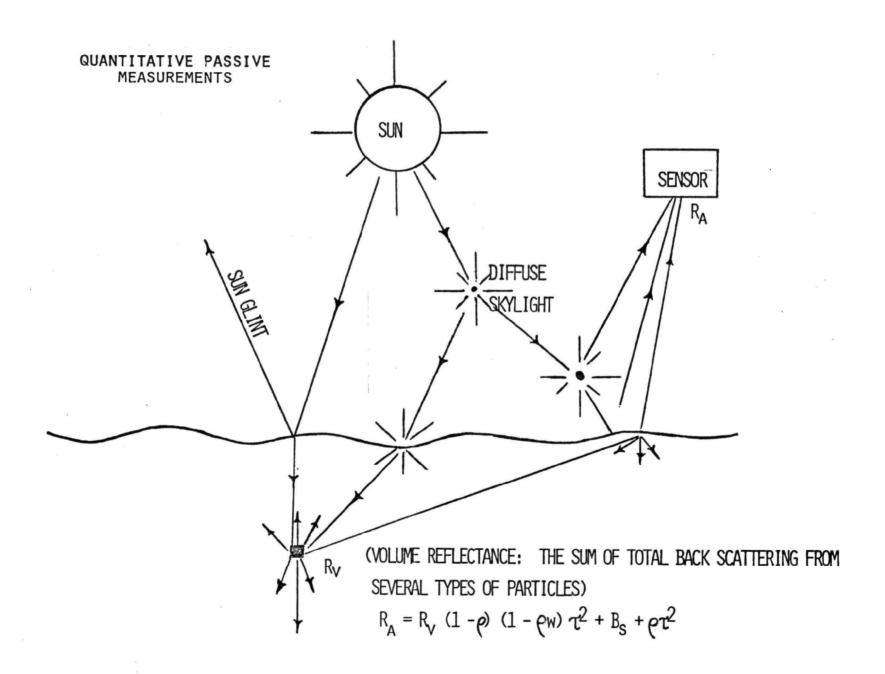
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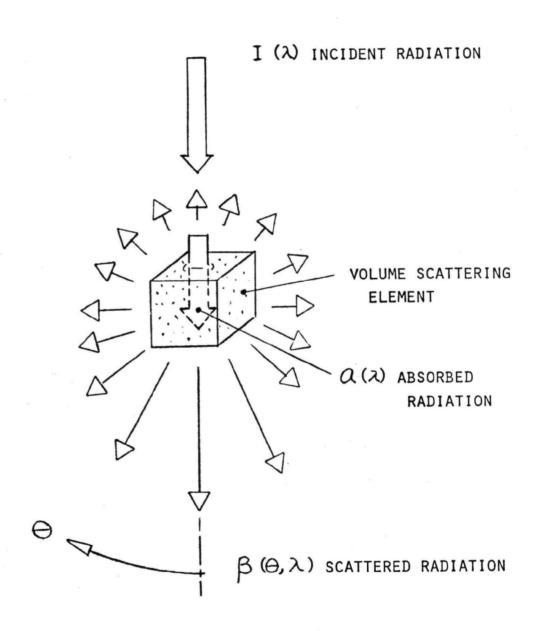
**TEMPERATURE** 

VERTICAL MIXING (SEA STATE)

OIL







#### RADIATIVE TRANSFER EQUATIONS

VOLUME REFLECTANCE = R 
$$\left[a(\lambda), \beta(\theta, \lambda)\right]$$
  
= .0001 + .324  $\frac{b^*}{a+b^*}$  + .1425  $\left(\frac{b^*}{a+b^*}\right)^2$  ...  
 $\approx .33 \frac{b^*}{a}$   
c = b + a, b =  $2\pi \int_0^{\pi} \beta(\theta) \sin \theta d\theta$   
b\* =  $2\pi \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \beta(\theta) \sin \theta d\theta$ 

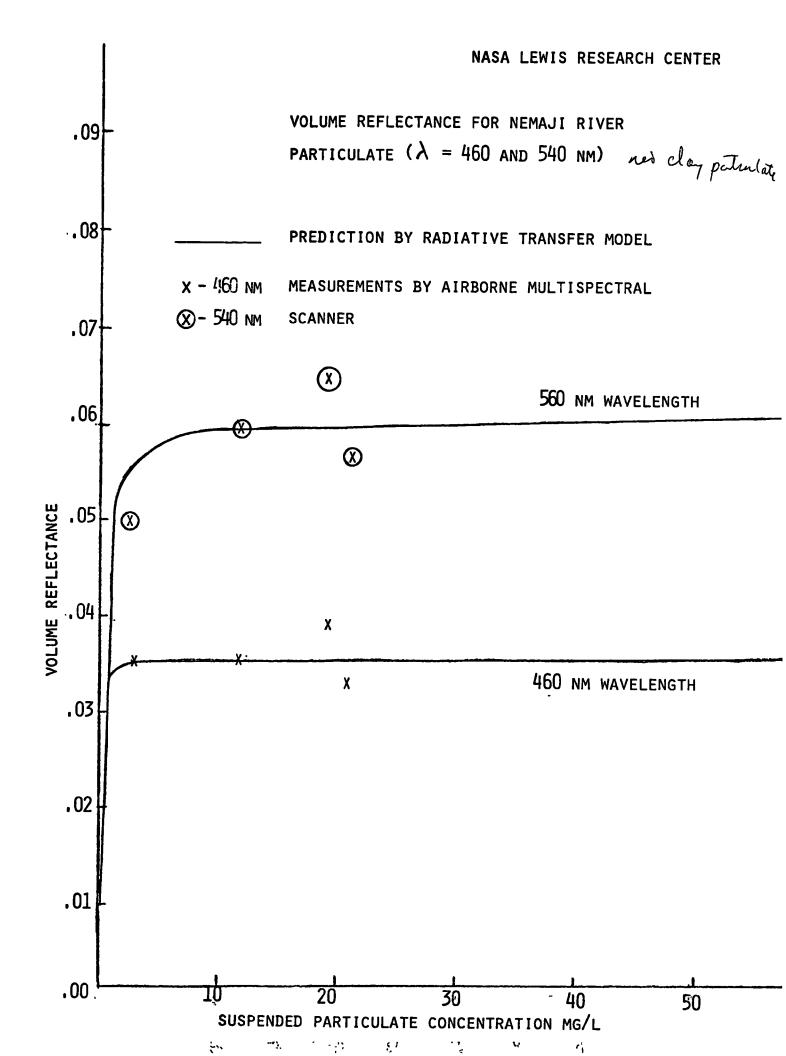
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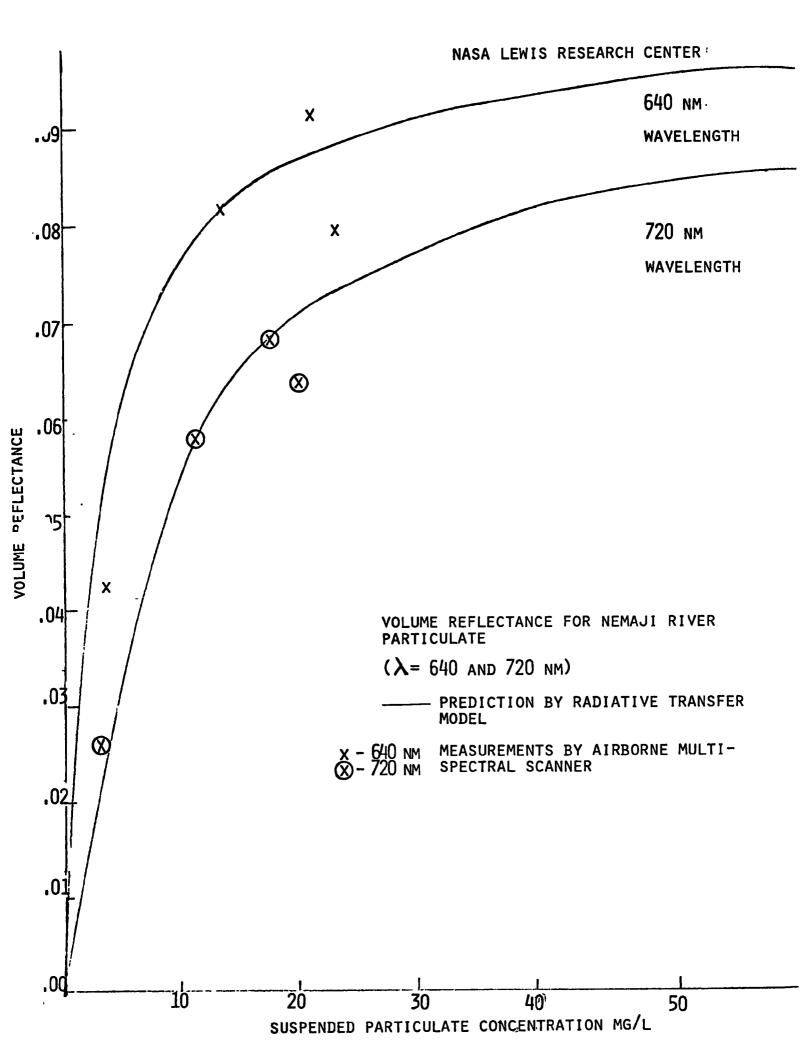
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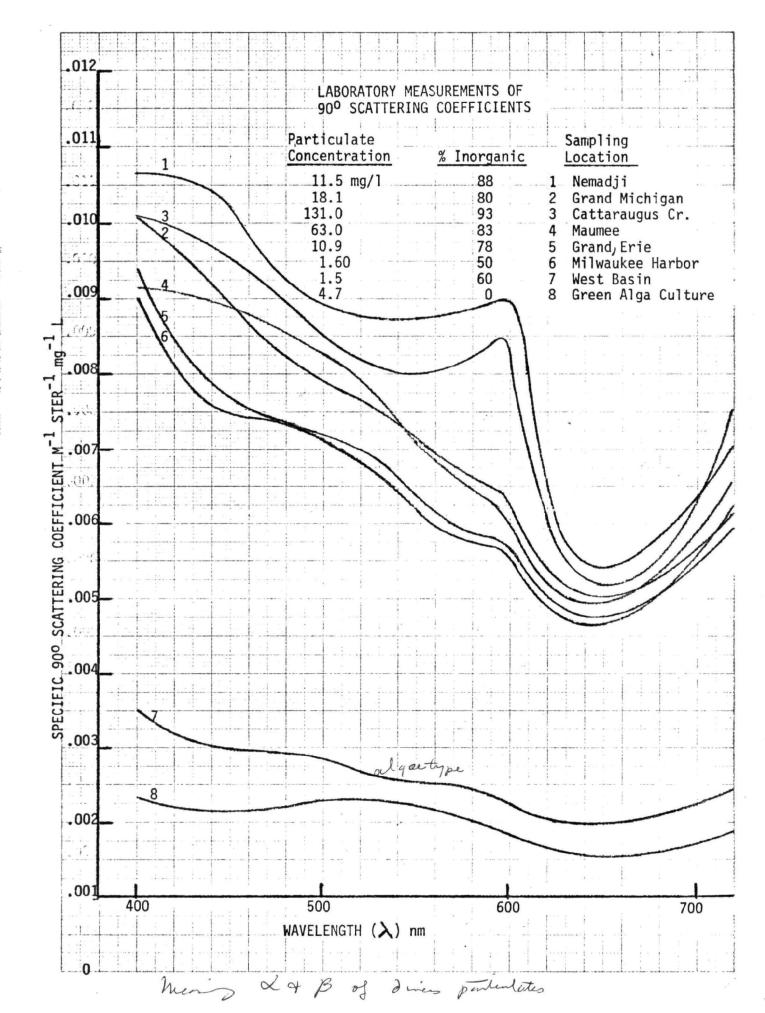
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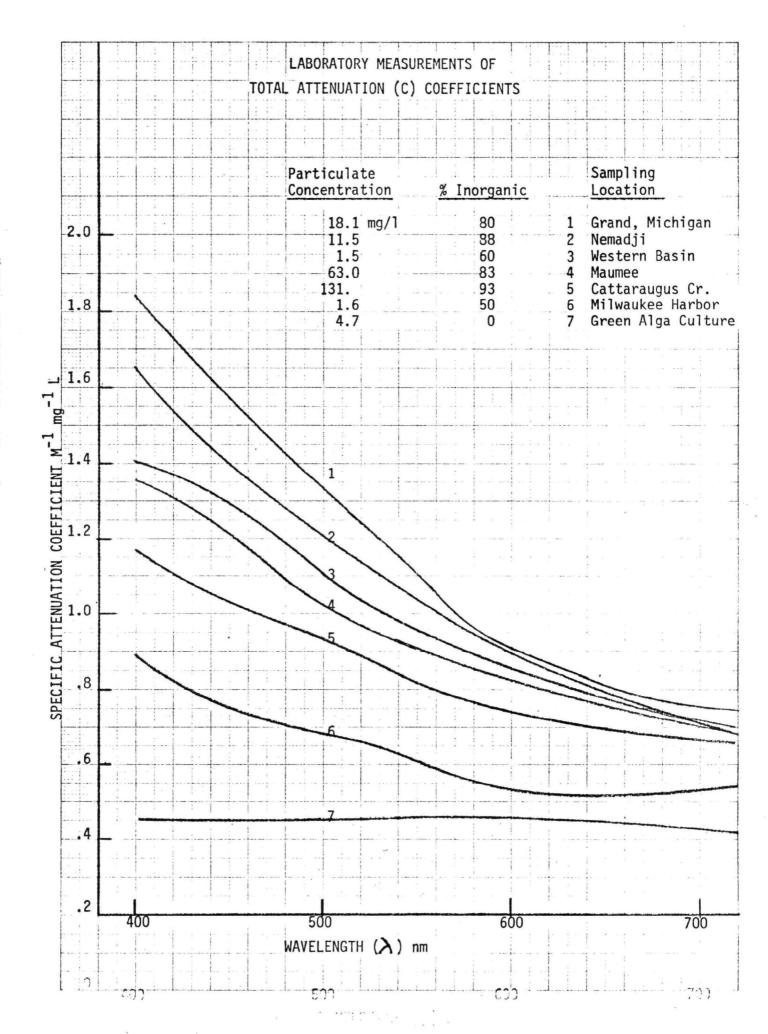
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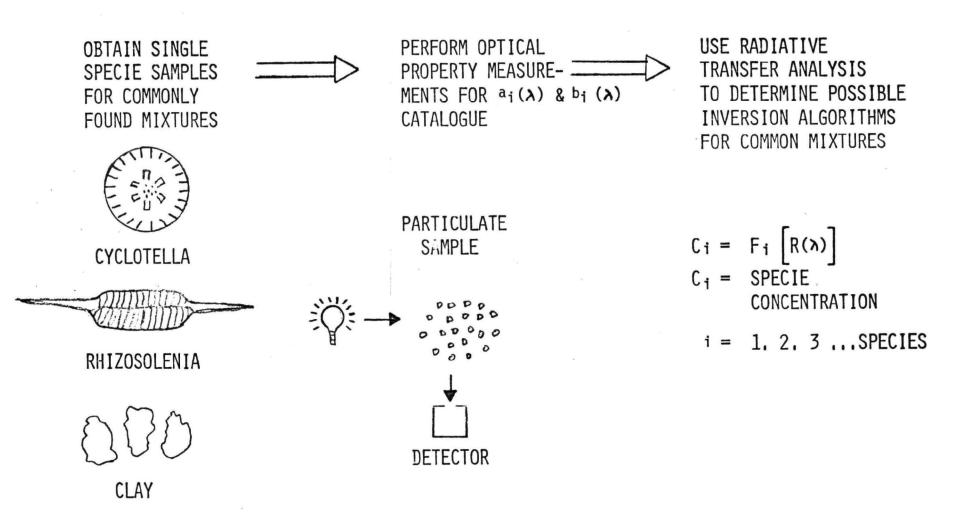




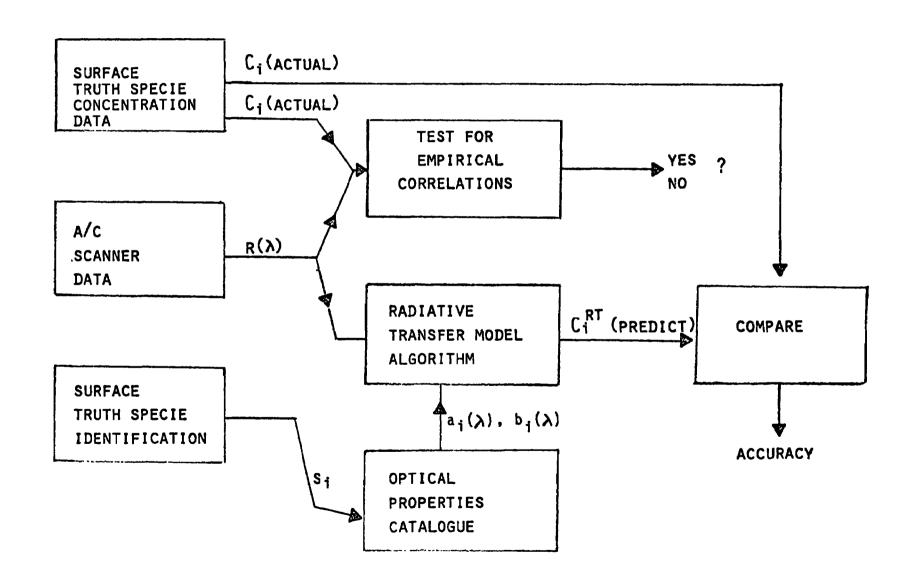




# OF PARTICULATE SPECIES



#### TEST CORRELATIONS UNDER ACTUAL FIELD CONDITIONS



**DEVELOPMENT** SINGLE EVENT CORRELATION  $\hat{C}_{0}$ BASED ON DATA

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IN REGION RO **TEMPORAL** SPATIAL **EXTENSION EXTENSION** "CO IS VALID OVER TIME INTERVAL "C<sub>O</sub> IS VALID OVER LARGER REGION R1 WHICH CONTAINS  $T_1 < T_0 < T_2"$ MONITORING BETWEEN WHOLE LAKE **MAPS** SHIP SURVEYS

PRESENTLY CAPABLE OF BEING PERFORMED

**UNDER** 

EXTENSION OF SINGLE EVENT CORRELATIONS

# MAJOR FACILITIES EARTH OBSERVATIONS BRANCH

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CAMERA

AIR-GROUND DATA LINK

3. PROJECT ICEWARN (C-130)

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RADAR IMAGE PROCESSOR

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SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS AIR-GROUND COMMUNICATIONS

IMAGE PROCESSING COMPUTER SYSTEM

5. OPTICAL PROPERTIES LABORATORY

SPECTRAL TRANSMISSOMETER

LARGE ANGLE SCATTERING METER

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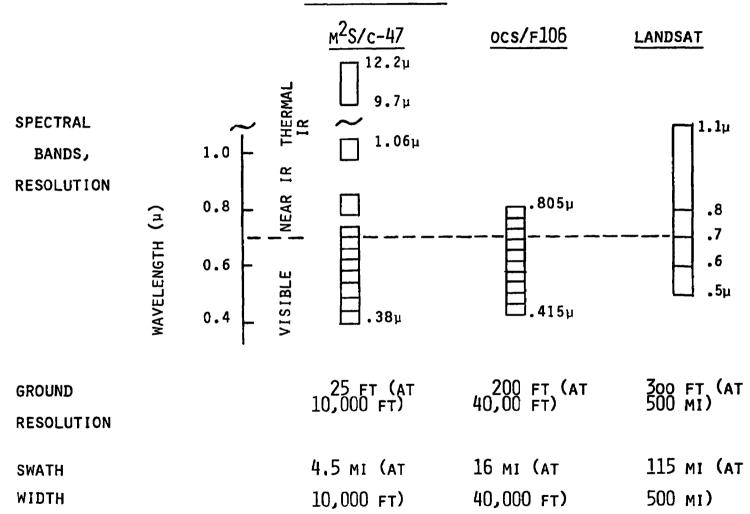


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# SCANNER SYSTEMS



# NIMBUS-G MISSION OBJECTIVES

Augus:

- OBSERVATION OF GASES OR PARTICULATES IN THE TROPOSPHERE OR STRATOSPHERE TO DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF MAPPING SOURCES, SINKS AND DISPERSION OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTANTS

  Link Scand in IR
- OBSERVATION OF OCEAN COLOR, TEMPERATURE AND ICE CONDITIONS, PARTICULARLY IN COASTAL ZONES, WITH SUFFICIENT SPATIAL AND SPECTRAL RESOLUTION TO DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF:
  - A) DETECTING POLLUTANTS ON WATER SURFACE
  - B) DETERMINING THE NATURE OF MATERIALS SUSPENDED IN THE WATER
  - c) APPLYING THE OBSERVATIONS TO MAPPING OF SEDIMENTS,
    BIOLOGICALLY PRODUCTIVE AREAS, AND INTERACTIONS
    BETWEEN COASTAL EFFULENTS AND OPEN OCEAN WATERS

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#### NIMBUS G: COASTAL ZONE COLOR SCANNER

LAUNCH: FALL 1978

GROUND COVERAGE: ± 800 KM ABOUT NADIR

ENTIRE GREAT LAKES SCENE IN 5 OUT OF 6 DAYS

(SCAN ANGLE IS DIFFERENT FOR EACH DAY)

SENSOR: SIX SPECTRAL BANDS: FIVE VISIBLE, ONE THERMAL,

825 x 825 METER RESOLUTION AT NADIR

BANDS	<u>λ (NM)</u>	Δλ(NM)	<u>OBSERVATIONS</u>
1	443	20	CHLOROPHYLL ABSORPTION
2	520	20	CHLOROPHYLL CORRELATION
3	550	20	DISSOLVED ORGANICS
4	670	20	SUSPENDED SOLIDS
5	<b>7</b> 50	100 (LANDSAT)	SURFACE VEGETATION
6	THERMAL IR 10.5 - 12.5 µ		SURFACE TEMPERATURE

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Marine environment Algorithms In CL

## LERC CZCS ACTIVITIES

- DEVELOP ALGORITHMS FOR GREAT LAKES PARTICULATE AND DISSOLVED SUBSTANCES USING OCS/F-106 (BOTH PRE AND POST LAUNCH EXPERÎMENTS)
- DETERMINE OPTIMUM CZCS GAIN AND TILT ANGLE SETTINGS FOR GREAT LAKES CONDITIONS
- DEVELOP DATA PROCESSING AND PRODUCTS NECESSARY TO UTILIZE THE AVAILABLE HIGH FREQUENCY COVERAGE AND WHOLE LAKE MAPPING POTENTIAL OF CZCS
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