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3. Glossary of Terms

AASHTO	American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials
AEEG	Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists
ARSET	Applied Remote Sensing Training
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
Co-PI	Co-Principal Investigator
GPRI-II	Gamma Portable Radar Interferometer Version II
GRA	Graduate Research Assistant
ISU	Idaho State University
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NI	National Instruments
NSF	National Science Foundation
NRCS	Natural Resource Conservation Service
PI	Principal Investigator
RECOVER	Rehabilitation Capability Convergence for Ecosystem Recovery
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
TATS	Turrell Arkansas Testing Site
TDiAL	Topographic Differential Absorption Light Detection and Ranging
TRB	Transportation Research Board
TRR	Transportation Research Record
UGRA	Under Graduate Research Assistant
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USDOT	United States Department of Transportation
USGS	United States Geological Survey
UofA	University of Arkansas

4. Executive Summary

The Technical Status and Business Status of the OASRTRS-14-H-UARK Contract are presented herein. Specifically, the work completed during the fourth quarter of the federal fiscal year (July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015) are presented and discussed. Three deliverables were scheduled for completion during this quarter. These deliverables included: 1) a report on the implementation plan, fee structure, and utilization rate of the equipment, 2) a report that included the users manual for the ground-based remote sensing device and 3) a report on the development of a ground-based remote sensing system for collecting data to determine the amount of risk to transportation infrastructure following wildfires. As discussed during the Year 1 meeting with Caesar Singh, none of these deliverables were completed on schedule due to delays in fabrication of the TDiAL device. Although the deliverables were not completed, progress was made on each deliverable. Other completed activities included: 1) a demonstration of the “ground based remote sensing device”, 2) preparation of the “users manual for the ground-based remote sensing device”.

A total of \$53,690.64 of USDOT funds were expended during the quarter. A total of \$124,859.59 dollars of cost-share (UofA) were expended during this quarter.

5. SECTION I — TECHNICAL STATUS

Accomplishments by Milestones

Activity 1: Formation of TAC

In addition to the TAC being developed (as reported to Caesar Singh and Vasanth Ganesan on November 24, 2014) and having an in person TAC meeting (December 12, 2014 in Denver, CO), a virtual meeting of the TAC committee was held on August 3, 2015 (minutes of meeting enclosed in Section 7 of this report). The next in-person meeting of the TAC is scheduled for late September or early October 2015. The September/October meeting will coincide with a trip of UofA personnel to Boise, ID, to attend the ARSET workshop.

Activity 2: Development of Website, Implementation Plan, and Service Provider

A website was developed for the project (<https://wildfire-landslide-risk-dss.uark.edu>). In accordance with Deliverable 2 (and as reported to Caesar Singh and Vasanth Ganesan on November 24, 2014), the website was posted online within the first three months of the project. The official launch of the website was at the TAC Meeting on December 12, 2014. Additional content, including a video of the GPRI-II, and any updates/data from the project have been added as the content became available. The development of the implementation plan and service provider are underway. Although the “Implementation Plan, Fee Structure, and Utilization Rate” report was due within the first 12 months of the project start date, the delay in obtaining the equipment has prevented the completion of this report. All of the required equipment must be obtained prior to the “Implementation Plan, Fee Structure, and Utilization Rate” report because the depreciation schedule and utilization rate will be based on the actual cost of the equipment.

Activity 3: Development of a Ground-based Remote Sensing Device

The optical-mechanical design for the TDiAL device was finalized and the data acquisition system for the active TDiAL portion of the ground-based remote sensing was finalized with National-Instruments (NI). When the data acquisition arrives, all of the pieces of the TDiAL device will be assembled in the weatherproof case and the device will be deployed to the field for verification. This is the final step in the completion of the ground-based device.

Activity 4: Collection of Data/Creation of Databases

As mentioned in the last quarterly report (Quarterly Report 3), data (collected using the GPRI-II device) were collected at the TATS site. Also, laboratory data were collected using the prototype TDiAL device. Full-scale data will be collected during the October 2015 trip to Idaho.

As mentioned in the last quarterly report (Quarterly Report 3), all of the papers containing data that have been used to develop the USGS probabilistic model have been acquired and placed into a spreadsheet. These data will serve as the preliminary data for the database of remotely sensed properties. Moreover, the statistics of the USGS data (for the intermountain region) have also been recalculated using newer statistical techniques than were available to the USGS at the time of publishing of the

database. A better statistical technique has been established and will be implemented into the decision support system that is associated with this project, based on the results from the new statistical techniques. Moreover, based on these findings, a journal article has been prepared and submitted.

Activity 5: Development of a Probabilistic Model Decision Support System

As demonstrated during the Year 1 meeting with Caesar Singh (on September 23, 2015), the probabilistic model decision support system has been developed. Specifically, this debris flow decision support system was developed and integrated within the RECOVER decision support system. The RECOVER system (with the new debris flow decision support system module) will be demonstrated at the ARSET workshop that will be held in Pocatello, Idaho from October 6-8, 2015. The URL for this debris flow models for the Charlotte and State Line Fires can be found at: <http://recover.giscenter.isu.edu/recover2/charlottefire/> and <http://recover.giscenter.isu.edu/recover2/statelinefire/>, respectively. Screen shots of these debris flow models are included within the appendix. Moreover, the RECOVER system (with the new debris flow decision support system module) will be used to analyze several previous fires within the state of California to determine the susceptibility of the interstate system to the probability of debris flow. These debris flow models are being developed due to ongoing communication with Herby Lissade, Chief of the Office of Emergency Management for CalTRANS.

Activity 6: Reporting and Publication

This quarterly report is the fourth in a series of quarterly reports. A synopsis of the results from the obtained data is reported herein. Based on the obtained data, several presentations were presented at the 2015 meeting of the AEEG that was held in Pittsburg, PA, on September 24. Specifically, the authors and titles of the abstracts that were presented are included below.

Kern, A., Coffman, R., Oommen, T., Addison, P. (2015) "Predictive Modeling of Debris Flows Probability Following Wild Fire in the Intermountain Western United States." Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists Annual Meeting.

Salazar, S.*, Garner, C., Coffman, R., Oommen, T. (2015) "Ultra-violet Near-infrared Reflectance Spectroscopy for Remote Measurement of Soil Potential." Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists Annual Meeting.

*For this abstract and presentation, Sean Salazar was selected as the Lemke Scholar by the Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists at the 2015 Annual Meeting.

A paper is currently being prepared for the Mathematical Geosciences Journal. Also, a paper has been prepared and submitted to the 95th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board. The authors and title of the papers are included below.

Kern, A.N., Addison, P., Oommen, T., Salazar, S.E., Coffman, R.A., (2015).
“Machine Learning Based Predictive Modeling of Debris Flow Probability
Following Wildfire in the Intermountain Western United States.” Mathematical
Geosciences. In Preparation.

Garner, C., Coffman, R., (2015). “Evaluation of a field and laboratory remote sensing
method for determining soil Atterberg limits and clay content.” Transportation
Research Record. Submitted for Review. Manuscript Number: 16-6814.

Problems Encountered

The Soda Fire started on August 10, 2015, and was contained on September 10, 2015 (<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4475/>). The Soda fire encompassed the location of the prescribed burn that was scheduled for September 2015. Therefore, collection of pre- and post-fire data of an active prescribed fire, within the Reynolds Creek Watershed, utilizing the ground-based device, will not be able to be performed; the NRCS utilized the funds for the prescribed fire on firefighting efforts associated with the Soda Fire.

Future Plans

Several milestones are required to be accomplished during the next quarter. These milestones include milestones that were not completed during the quarter that is being reported in this quarterly report (Quarter 4) and previously planned Quarter 5 milestones that will be completed, on schedule, during the next quarter. The specific milestones that will be completed are listed below; interesting findings associated with these milestones will also be reported.

"Implementation Plan, Fee Structure, and Utilization Rate" report.

"Users Manual for Ground-based Remote Sensing Device" report.

“The Development of a Ground-based Remote Sensing System for Collecting Data to Determine the Amount of Risk to Transportation Infrastructure Following Wildfires.”

Several demonstrations of the device will take place during the upcoming quarters (Quarters 5). These demonstrations include: 1) a post-fire demonstration to potential stakeholders (IDT, USGS, USDA, BLM, NASA) at the location of the Charlotte Fire, East of Pocatello, Idaho, in conjunction with the NASA ARSET workshop from October 6-8, 2015, 2) a post-fire demonstration to potential stakeholders (NRCS, NSF) at the location of the Soda Fire, South of Boise, Idaho, following the NASA ARSET workshop, and 3) a demonstration to the Commercial Remote Sensing Workshop 2 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on December 2-3, 2015.

6. SECTION II — BUSINESS STATUS

As shown in Table 1, the amount of time that was allocated for the project and the amount of time that was expended on the project are documented. Time has been expended and charged for the academic year and summer costs associated with the PI and Co-PI. The number of expended hours that are reported in Table 1 were associated with time spent in: weekly meetings (PI, GRA, UGRA); in bi-weekly meetings (PI, the GRA, the Co-PI, Co-PI's GRA, Co-PI's UGRA); developing and maintaining the website; ordering equipment; preparing assembly of the various pieces of equipment; collecting data with the new equipment; collecting data related to the probabilistic model; developing the probabilistic model; and preparing the quarterly report.

The GRA expended the allocated amount of hours on the project. Cyrus Garner has replaced Sean Salazar on the USDOT project, effective June 1, 2015. Three UGRAs (Johnathan Blanchard, Leah Miramontes, and Brendan Yarborough) spent time working on the project during the fourth quarter. The number of hours (135.75) exceeded the allocated number of hours (40, 1) to make up for the hours that were not worked during the month of June, and 2) hours expended by the students during the May 1 through May 15 pay cycle were not approved until after the reporting of the previous quarter and are therefore reported in this report.

Table 1. Hours allocated and expended.

Quarter 3, Year 1	USDOT Allocated (Hours)	UofA Allocated (Hours)	USDOT Expended (Hours)	UofA Expended (Hours)
PI – Quarterly Report, Meetings	9	10	9	10
PI -Website		10		10
PI – Data Collection	10	30	10	30
GRA – Quarterly Report, Meetings	20		20	
GRA - Website	10		10	
GRA – Data Collection	40		40	
GRA - Publications	40		40	
UGRA - Website	20		20	
UGRA – Data Collection and Processing	20		115.75	
Admin - Website	21.7		21.7	

Based on the number of hours expended, the level of effort that was expended by personnel from the UofA was 100.0 percent for the PI, 100.0 percent for the GRA, 339 percent for the UGRA, and 100 percent for the Admin.

As shown in Table 2, the amount of total funds that were allocated for the project and the amount of funds that were expended on the project are documented. All of the receipts associated with the funds that were expended for equipment during

Quarter 4 are enclosed within this quarterly report. The tuition for the Fall 2015 semester was misappropriated to the sponsor side of the project instead of the cost-share side of the project. These funds will be appropriated to the proper categories during the next quarter.

Table 2. Funds allocated and expended for the project.

Total	USDOT Allocated (\$)	UofA Allocated (\$)	USDOT Expended (\$)	UofA Expended (\$)
Salaries	67,410.00	30,706.00	42,527.92	16,439.29
Fringes	5,014.00	7,861.00	4,201.40	4,210.92
Supplies	13,500.00	3,825.00	8,134.72	0.00
Travel	6,500.00	15,000.00	187.63	3,794.84
Other	0.00	150,000.00	0.00	75,493.20
Indirect	42,977.00	96,437.00	11,462.18	0.00
Tuition	0.00	17,111.00	2,399.64	5,284.70
Subcontract	116,864.00	116,864.00	2,561.76	30,002.58
Subcontract Indirect	20,949.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equipment	278,635.00	114,051.00	240,709.04	97,189.33

7. ADVISORY/STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

A virtual TAC meeting was held on August 3, 2015. The minutes for the meeting are included below.

Attendees:

Rick Coffman – University of Arkansas
Sean Salazar – University of Arkansas
Cyrus Garner – University of Arkansas
Thomas Oommen – Michigan Technological University
Priscilla Addison – Michigan Technological University
Ashley Kern – Michigan Technological University
Bill Shaw – Idaho Transportation Department
Jason Kean – United States Geological Society
Keith Weber – Idaho State University
Herby Lissade – California Department of Transportation
Renee Garcia - California Department of Transportation
Ty Ortiz – Colorado Department of Transportation
Scott Anderson – Federal Highway Administration

Items of Discussion:

Rick:

The progress on the ground-based device was discussed. The ground-based device will be demonstrated during the in-person meeting that will be held in late September or Early October. The proposed prescribed burn was also discussed and the opportunity for personnel from the University of Arkansas and the Michigan Technological University to obtain pre- and post-fire measurements was discussed.

Priscilla:

The debris flow decision support system was introduced and discussed. The parameters that were utilized within the model were presented. Moreover, the way in which the parameters were obtained was also presented. Recent “Soil K Factor” data that were published on July 31, 2015 contained errors. NRCS was made aware of the erroneous data and are making modifications. The data provided by NRCS are raster data with a spatial resolution of 1km.

Jason:

Is there a problem bringing in higher resolution data into a lower resolution dataset? For example, considering topography, would the higher resolution digital elevation model result in higher slope values that would lead to higher risk for the basin even though the basis is the same in both instances. Is there a “scale issue”?

Thomas:

The burn severity or percent of basin burned parameters were discussed. A negative correlation or a positive coefficient was utilized to determine to see how a particular component was contributing to the probability of debris flow.

Keith:

A URL (<http://naip.giscenter.isu.edu/recover2/JohnstonPrescribedFire/>) has been established for the Johnson Creek area in anticipation of the proposed prescribed burn. Kathleen Lohse at the University of Idaho is very interested in the burn severity models as she thinks that satellite-based remote sensing does not do a good job of determining high-resolution dNBR values. She would like to supplement the satellite-based dNBR values with field obtained (ground-based) values.

Ty Ortiz:

CDOT is interested in the technology for geohazards. Ty assists many CDOT engineers with geohazard risk assessment. More tools are needed to accurately characterize the geohazard risk.

Herby:

CalTRANS FireCAST was discussed. The FireCAST is utilized by 3000-4000 field employees to determine the potential for fires in certain area. This tool was associated with CalFIRE but has since been discontinued and now the employees (every day at 6am) have to print out pages of the fire prediction ratings instead of using an application.

In California, after the fire, the sites of previous fires are document and monitored for two years. A predictive debris flow preliminary investigation is needed to forecast the locations of debris flows. This forecasting will lead to a proactive approach instead of a reactive approach. It would be great if this forecasted debris flow probability could be conveyed to the traveling public via a roadway information system.

8. CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS DETAILS BY PROJECT TEAM MEMBER IN UPCOMING QUARTER

As previously mentioned, the personnel associated with this project will prepare abstracts/papers/presentations for several conferences. Specifically, papers and presentations were prepared for the annual meetings of the AEEG and the TRB.

For the paper that has been prepared for the 95th Annual Meeting of the TRB, if the paper is selected to be published in the Transportation Research Record then the paper will be published in this journal. However, if the paper is not selected to be published in the TRR then the paper will be pulled from consideration and submitted to another journal. In either case, a presentation on the research will be presented at the 95th Annual Meeting of the TRB.

Rick Coffman was requested to speak at the AASHTO Subcommittee on Construction meeting that was held in Little Rock, AR, on August 10, 2015. The title of the presentation is included below.

Coffman, Richard A. (2015) "Water: The Enemy of Construction," AASHTO Subcommittee on Construction. Little Rock, AR, August 10, 2015

The personnel associated with this project have also been asked to participate in a NASA ARSET "Remote Sensing for Wildfire Applications" workshop that will be held at ISU in Pocatello, ID, from October 6 through 8, 2015. This participation includes attending the workshop, presenting a poster, and also providing support about the post-wildfire landslide module that is being developed as a part of this USDOT funded project for the RECOVER system. A scaled version of the poster that will be presented at the ASET workshop is included in the appendix.

9. APPENDIX FOR QUARTER

A copy of the receipts for equipment that was ordered/purchased during the quarter are also included herein. These receipts are included for equipment from the following manufacturers: Arroyo, Digikey, Newport, and Thor Labs.

- The Arroyo butterfly laser mount and cabling were delivered on August 20, 2015.
- The Digikey gender changer Dsub 44 position and Dsub 9 position couplers were delivered on July 31, 2015.
- The Newport TLB06700 6-foot long, cable for laser output was received on July 30, 2015.
- The two Newport 1647 avalanche photo detectors were received on July 30, 2015.
- The Newport TLB-6800 laser was received on June 22, 2015 but the charges were not posted to the project until this quarter so this receipt is included in this quarterly report
- All of the pieces of equipment that were ordered from ThorLabs were delivered on or before August 10, 2015.

The agenda for the ARSET Workshop to be held from October 6-8 in Pocatello, Idaho, is enclosed. Screenshots of the debris flow model for several of the fires that will be discussed during the ARSET workshop are enclosed. The poster that Priscilla Addison will present at the ARSET workshop is enclosed. The presentation slides from the Year 1 meeting with Caesar Singh on September 23, 2015 are included. The notes from the commercialization meeting that was held with Dr. Carol Reeves are also included.

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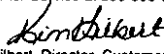
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PH1	Ø1/2" Post Holder, Spring-Loaded Hex-Locking Thumbscrew, L = 1" <small>Commodity code: 9031900000 Country/region of origin US Quantity: 4.00 Packing slip No.: PS02066103 Ship date: 8/10/2015</small>	4	7.03	0	7.030	28.12USD

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3.0	MC-5	Lens Tissues, 25 Sheets per Booklet, 5 Booklets	1.00	9.80		9.800	9.80 USD	9/8/2015
4.0	MRAK25-E03	Knife-Edge Right-Angle Prism Dielectric Mirror, 750-1100 nm	1.00	200.00		200.000	200.00 USD	9/8/2015
5.0	PH1-P5	Ø1/2" Post Holders, Spring-Loaded Hex-Locking Thumbscrew, L = 1", 5 Pack	2.00	35.15		35.150	70.30 USD	9/8/2015
6.0	TR1	Ø1/2" Optical Post, SS, 8-32 Setscrew, 1/4"-20 Tap, L = 1"	1.00	4.74		4.740	4.74 USD	9/8/2015
7.0	SS25S050	1/4"-20 Stainless Steel Setscrew, 1/2" Long, Pack of 25	1.00	5.50		5.500	5.50 USD	9/8/2015

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Wildfire

October 6-8, 2015

Day 1

8:00am	Introductions	
8:30am	GIS and geospatial data review	
9:15am	Satellite remote sensing review	
9:45am	BREAK	
10:00am	Overview of fire related remote sensing platforms and products	
	Landsat	
	MODIS	
	MERRA	
	SMAP	
	NDVI	
	fPAR	
	NBR	
10:30am	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B in breakout)
11:15am	Breakout session 1: A season of fire (team A)	(team B in exercise)
NOON	LUNCH	
1:00pm	What to expect from Geospatial data and technologies	
	Spatial resolution	
	Temporal resolution	
	Understanding error	
1:30pm	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B on BREAK)
2:00pm	BREAK	(team B in exercise)
2:30pm	Pre-fire assessment with satellite remote sensing imagery	
3:00pm	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B in breakout)
3:45pm	Breakout session 2: satellite imagery in your workflow (team A)	(team B in exercise)
4:30pm	END	
6:00pm	Evening social and student poster session	

Day 2

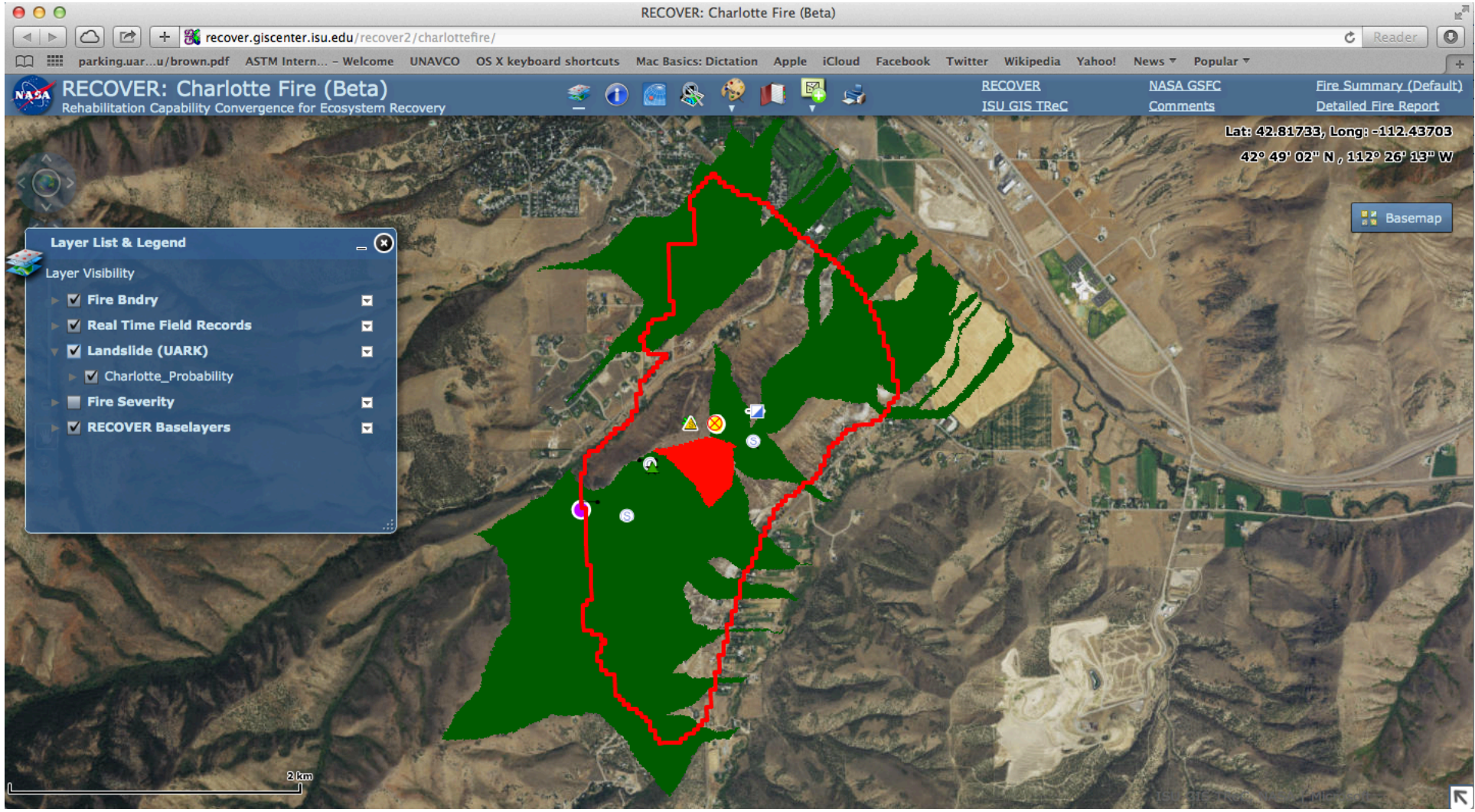
8:00am	Review of day 1 materials and exercises	
8:15am	Integrating other geospatial data	
	Elevation	
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	Aspect	
8:45am	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B in breakout)
9:15am	Breakout session 3: Current bottlenecks (team A)	(team B in exercise)
10:30am	BREAK	
10:45am	Fire management and planning with geospatial technologies	
	MODIS active fires	
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	Early detection systems	

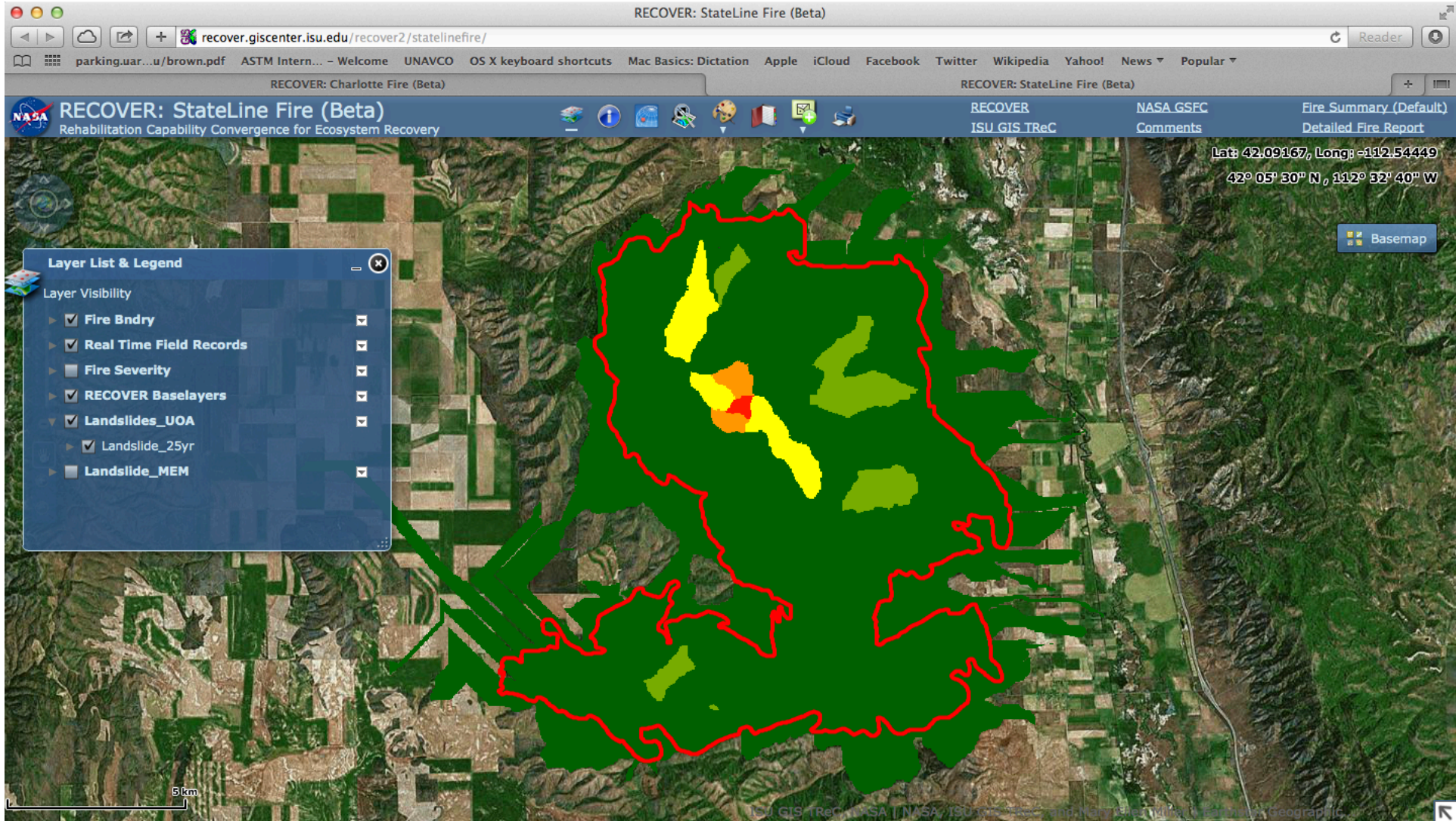
Fire behavior in response to landscape elements

11:15am	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B in breakout)
11:45am	Breakout session 4: Future missions wishlist (team A)	(team B in exercise)
12:15pm	LUNCH	
1:15pm	Field trip/Technical tour of a regional fire site	
4:30pm	END	

Day 3

8:00am	Review of day 1 and 2 materials and exercises	
8:15am	Post fire planning from an end-user perspective	
	BAER	
	ES&R	
9:00am	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B in breakout)
9:45am	Breakout session 5: DEVELOP (team A)	(team B in exercise)
10:30am	BREAK	
10:45am	RECOVER Decision support system	
11:15am	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B free)
11:45am	Hands-on exploration exercise (team B)	(team A free)
12:15pm	LUNCH	
1:15pm	Long-term monitoring with satellite remote sensing	
	Past research	
	Understanding NPP	
2:00pm	Hands-on exploration exercise (team A)	(team B in breakout)
2:45pm	Breakout session 6: Future research needs (team A)	(team B in exercise)
3:15pm	BREAK	
3:30pm	New techniques and technologies	
	UAS and aircraft systems	
	SMAP	
4:15pm	Wrap up Q&A	
5:00pm	END	





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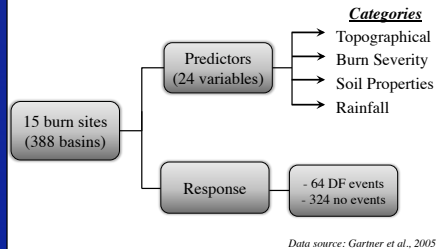
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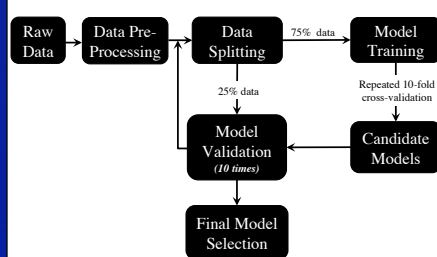
Introduction

- Mountainous regions have been recognized for producing post wildfire debris flows (DF).
- Ability to predict DF events accurately will protect public safety and infrastructure.
- Advancements in remote sensing allows for generation of large scale and timely information than previous field assessments.
- Goal 1: Explore machine learning models to possibly capture nonlinear relationships between predictor variables and DF events using data from USGS.
- Goal 2: Explore the susceptibility of recently burned basins to DF events with focus on their impact on surrounding transportation infrastructure.

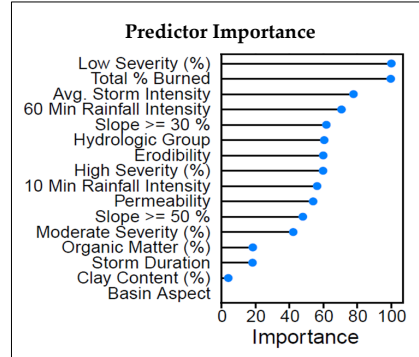
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Methodology



Results and Discussion

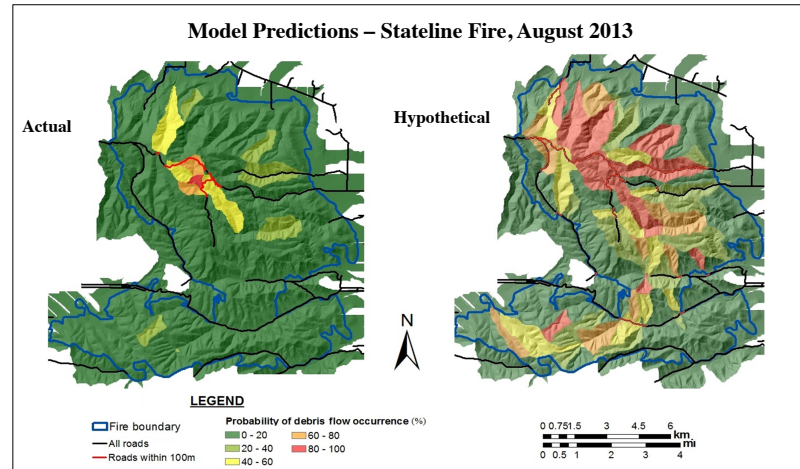


Variable importance plot determined by considering the relative influence of each predictor when added to the model (naïve Bayes). Predictor size was reduced from 24 to 16.

Top Four Models

Model	Sensitivity (std. dev.)	ROC
Naïve Bayes	0.72 (0.08)	0.94
Mixture Discriminant Analysis (MDA)	0.71 (0.10)	0.98
Classification Tree	0.46 (0.15)	0.90
Logistic Regression	0.42 (0.12)	0.90

Naïve Bayes, which is a nonlinear model, was selected after rigorous testing as the overall best model. This was because it recorded the highest averaged sensitivity with a corresponding small standard deviation.



The maps above display debris flow probability estimates (%) made by the Naïve Bayes model after a recently burned site encompassing the Idaho/Utah state border in August 2013- *Stateline Fire*. These were generated for a 25-year storm event. Since fire severity was founded to be a very important influence on the model, the maps were generated first for actual severities of the fire that occurred (left), then for a hypothetical case of if all affected basins burned at a high severity (right). The predictions for “actual” indicated 5 out of 185 basins have probabilities above 50% and the “hypothetical” had 37 out of 185 basins with probabilities above 50%. Roads within 100m buffer of ‘unstable’ basins have been delineated with red lines.

Conclusions

- The Naïve Bayes model outperformed the logistic regression model with an average sensitivity of 72% versus 42% respectively.
- Better performance of machine learning models likely due to:
 - Non-linear relationships within the data
 - Advanced variable selection methods
- Rigorous machine learning model development techniques promote confidence during out of sample predictions.
- Model predictions made for the Stateline fire identified 5 out of 185 basins as likely unstable.

Future Work

- Validate model through prescribed burns and model application.
- Develop a similar predictive model for Southern California with data collected for the region by USGS.
- Develop models that estimate associated debris volumes to be generated from candidate ‘unstable’ basins.
- Incorporate hazard map generation in the NASA RECOVER platform.

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Overview

Task 1 : TAC Development ✓

Task 2 : Website, ✓ Implementation Plan, ✓ Service Providers ✓

Task 3 : Development of Ground-based Remote Sensing Device ✓

Task 4 : Collection of Field Data, ✓ Collection of Lab Data ✓

Task 5 : Development of Probabilistic Model Decision Support System ✓

Task 6 : Reporting and Publication ✓

Expenditures

Background

Soil water potential $\Psi_T = \Psi_p + \Psi_z + \Psi_o + \underline{\Psi_m}$ $\Psi_T = \frac{RT}{V_w} \ln\left(\frac{\rho_{H_2O}}{\rho_{sat}}\right)$

Soil water potential provides more complete understanding of soil hydraulic and mechanical behavior

Unsaturated soil conditions affect:

- Shear strength of soil
- Hydraulic conductivity of soil

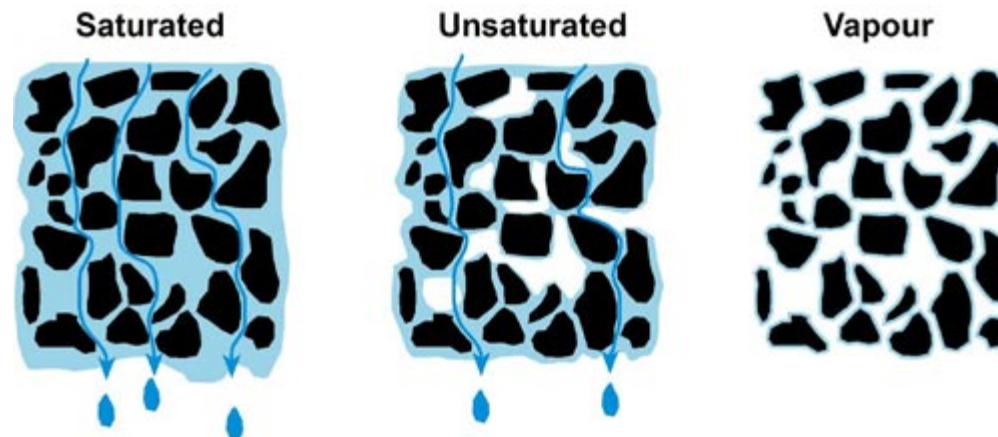


Image from the University of New South Wales

Motivation

Hazards related to unsaturated soil conditions:

- *Post-Wildfire Debris Flow* (Landslides)
 - Erosion
 - Slope stability
 - In-situ hydric capacity
- *Expansive Soils*



Images from the Coalition for the Upper South Platte and The Denver Post

Measurement Techniques

Traditional

- Tempe cell
- Pressure plate extractor
- Tensiometer
- Electrical resistance sensor
- Heat dissipation sensor

Advantage: Mature, documented and well-understood

Disadvantage: Time-consuming, point-wise, limited spatial coverage

Remotely-sensed

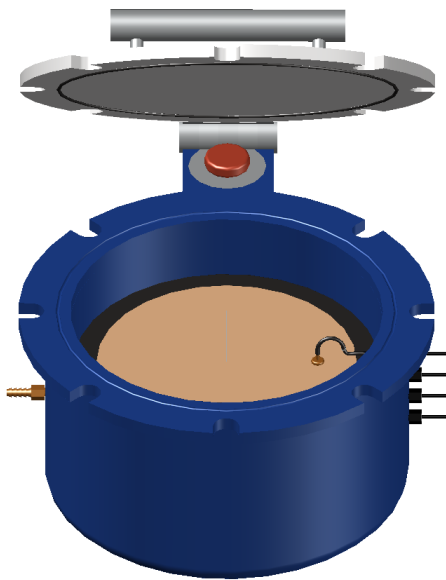
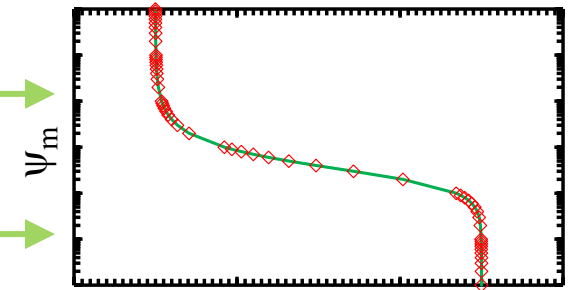
- Laser Analysis of Soil Tension (LAST)

Advantage: Rapid, high spatial and temporal resolution

Disadvantage: Not validated, indirect measurement, computationally intensive

Traditional Laboratory Techniques for Unsaturated Soils

Soil Water Characteristic Curve (SWCC)



Pressure Plate Extractor

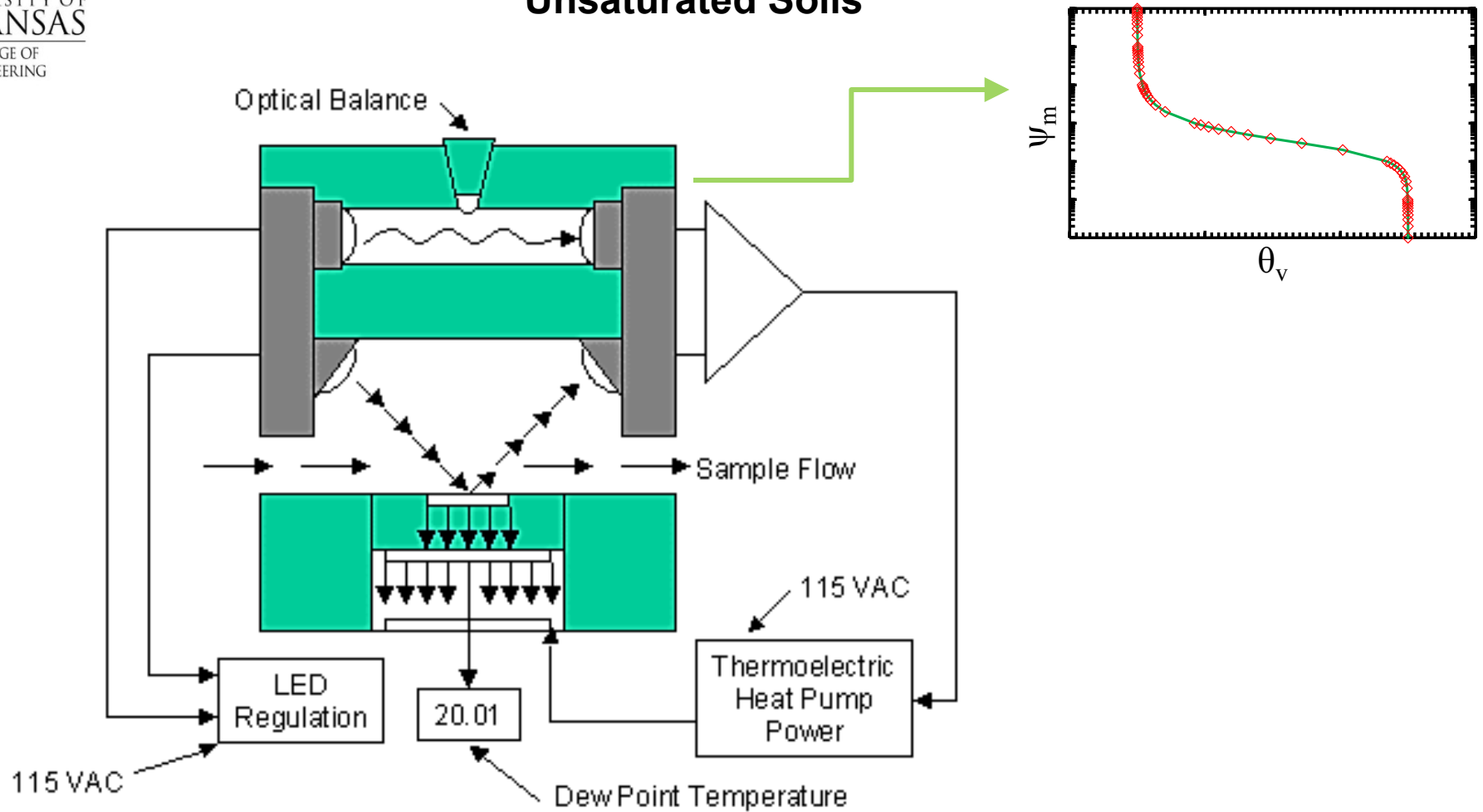


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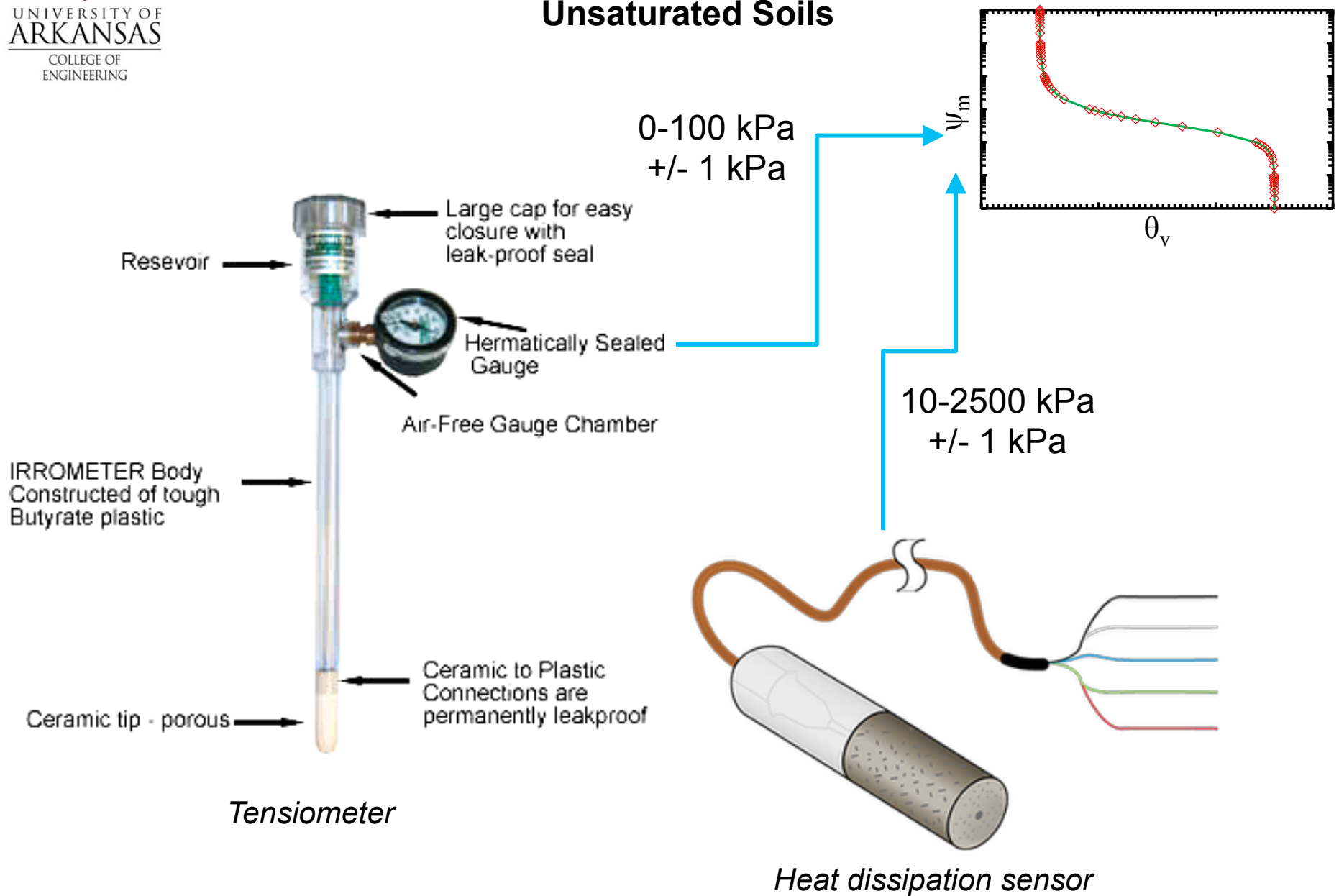
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Water Content
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Phase Relationships

Traditional Laboratory Techniques for Unsaturated Soils



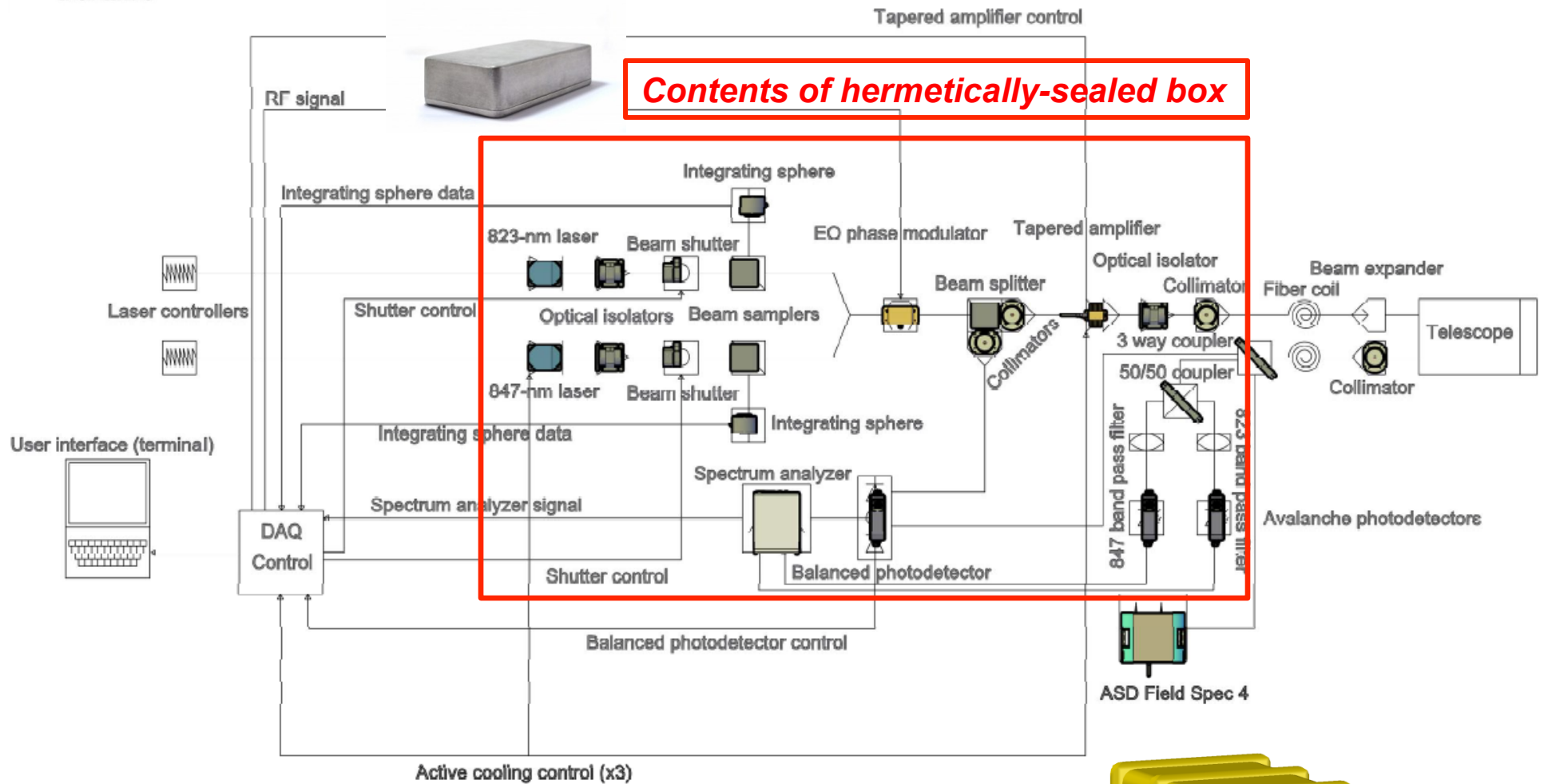
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In-Situ Measurement Techniques for Unsaturated Soils

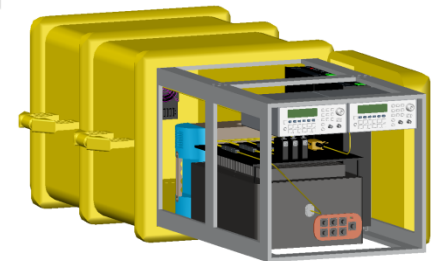


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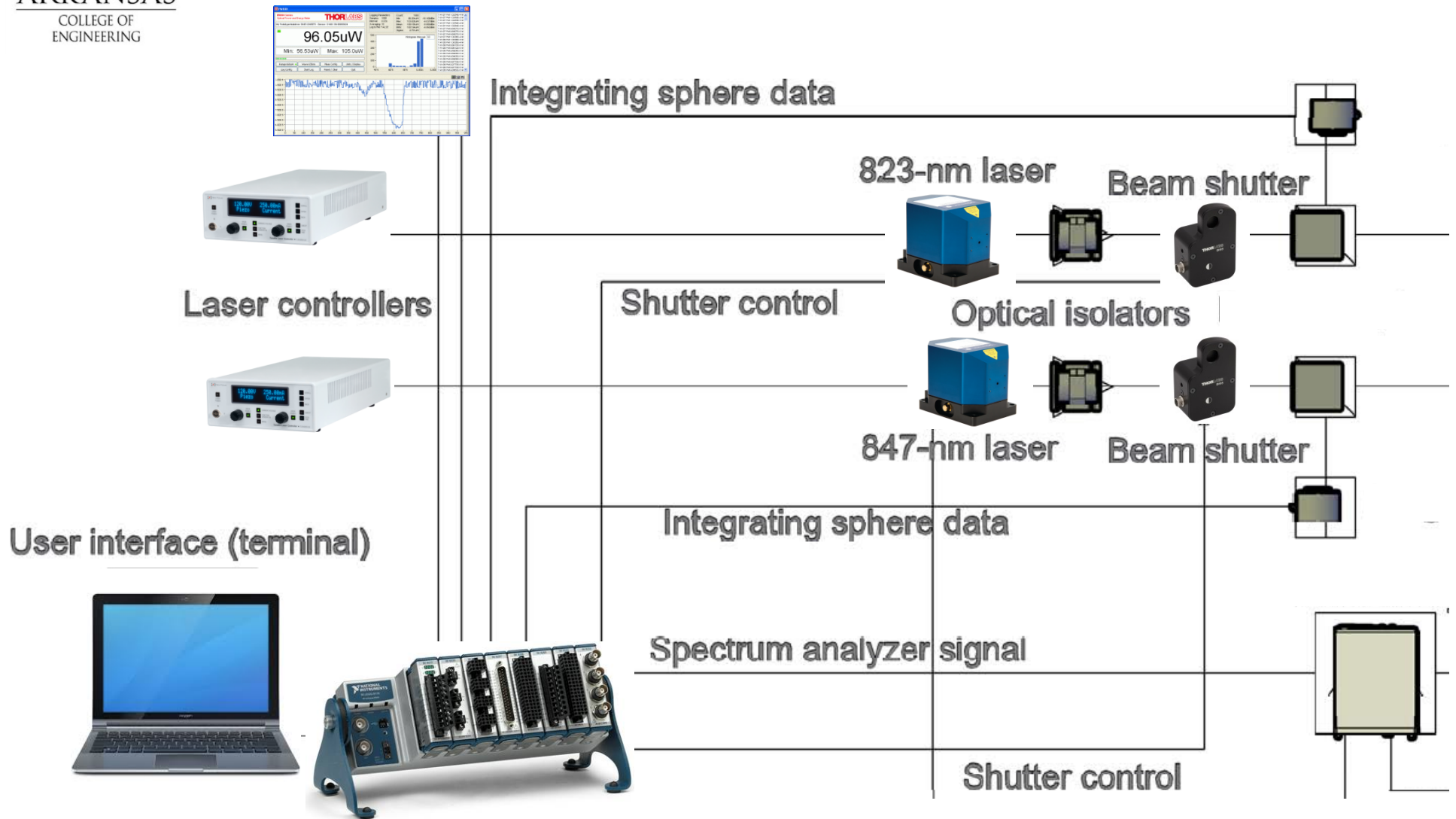
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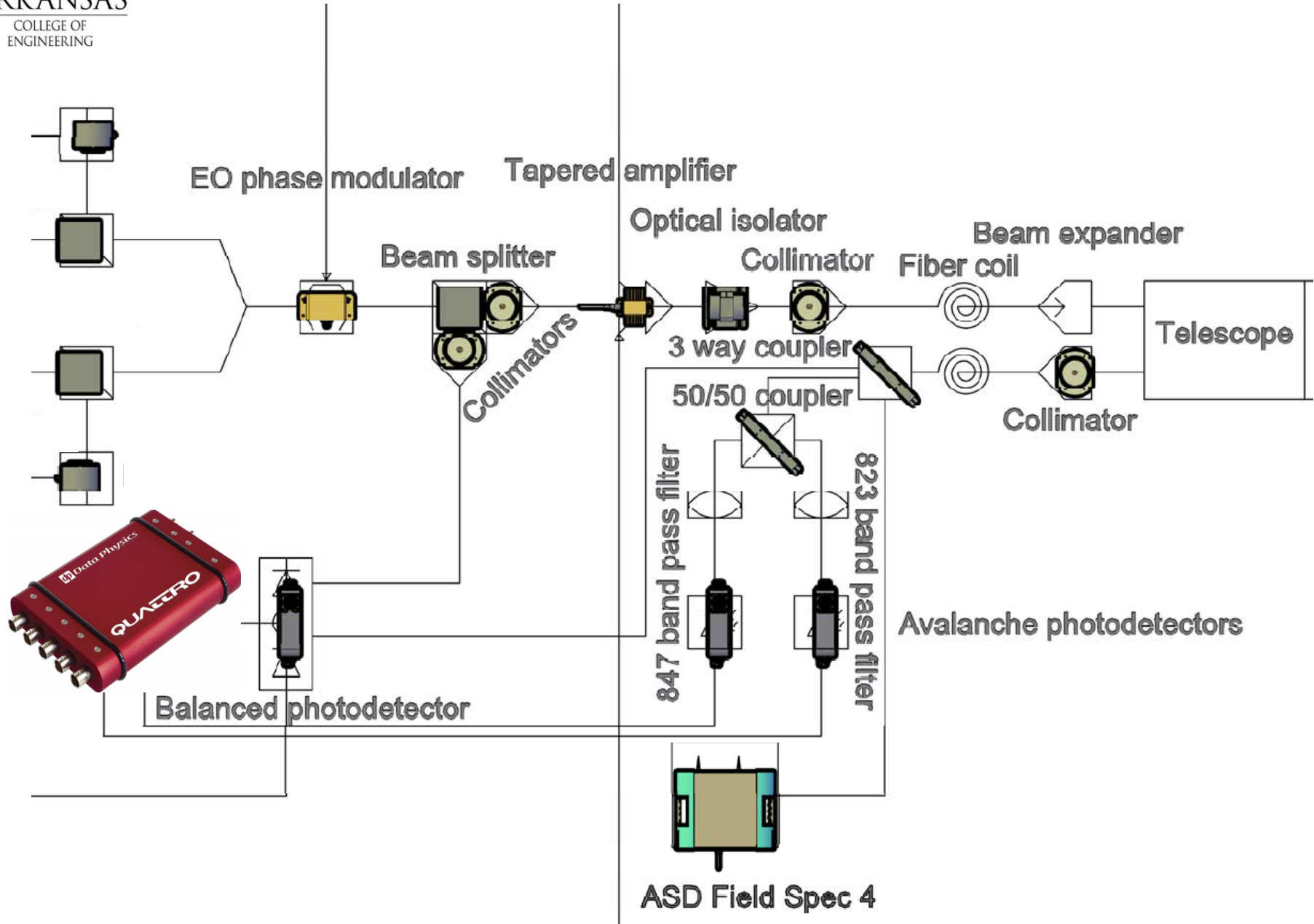
1-line diagram of TDiAL device



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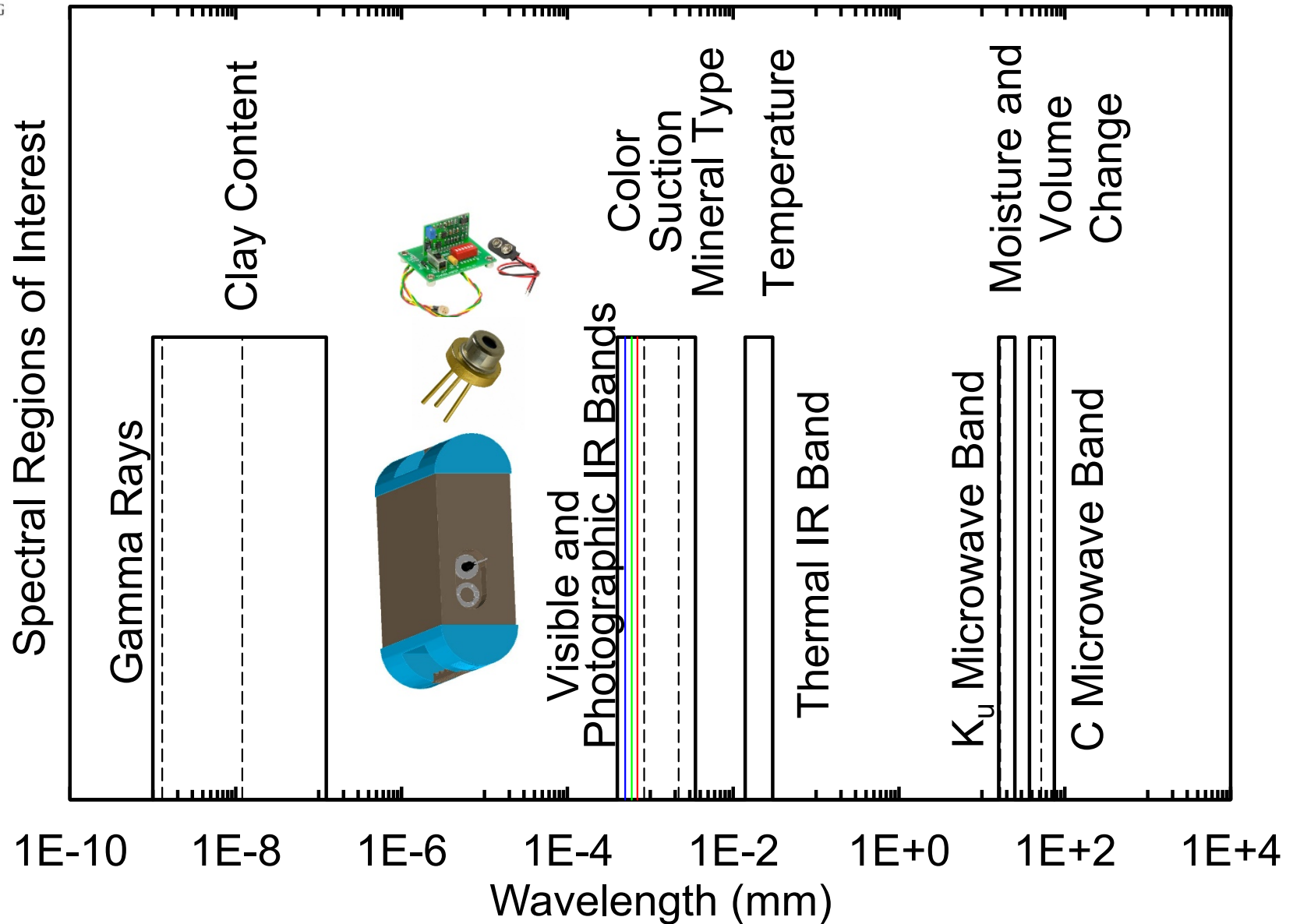


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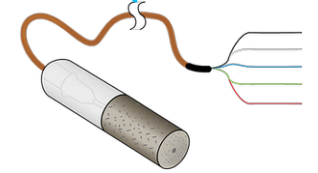
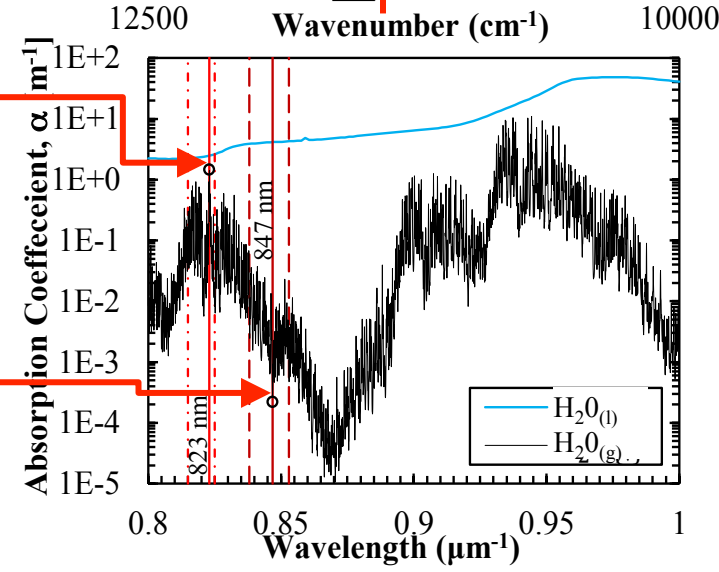
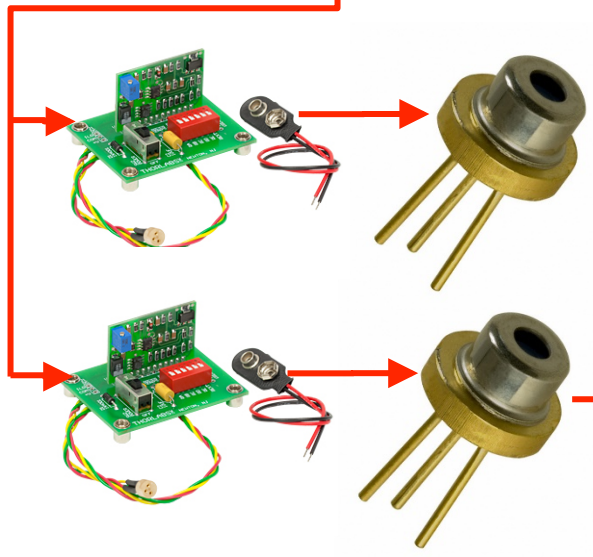
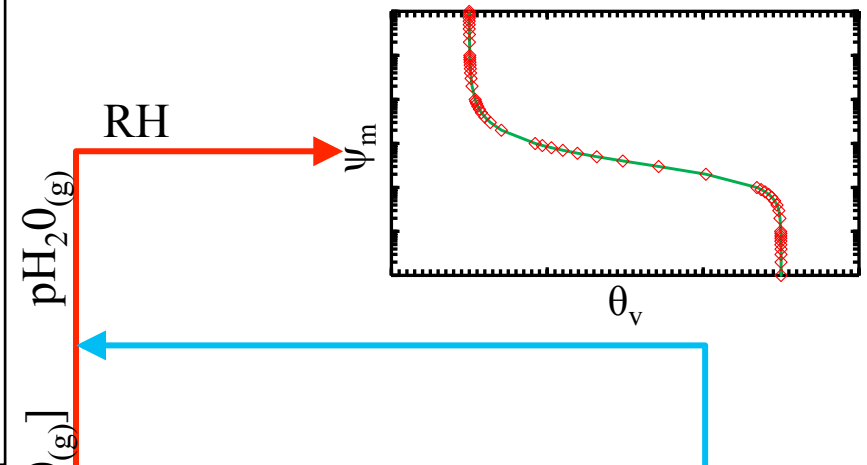
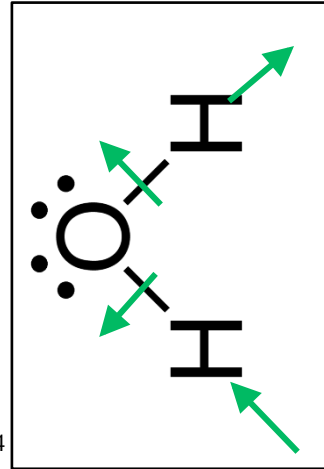
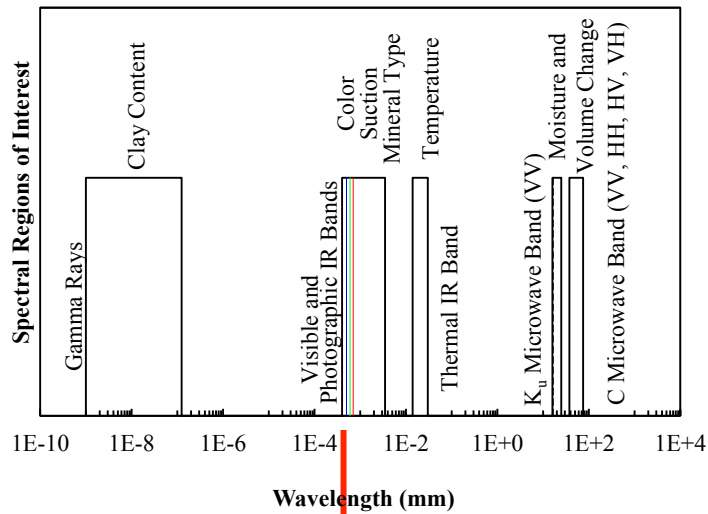


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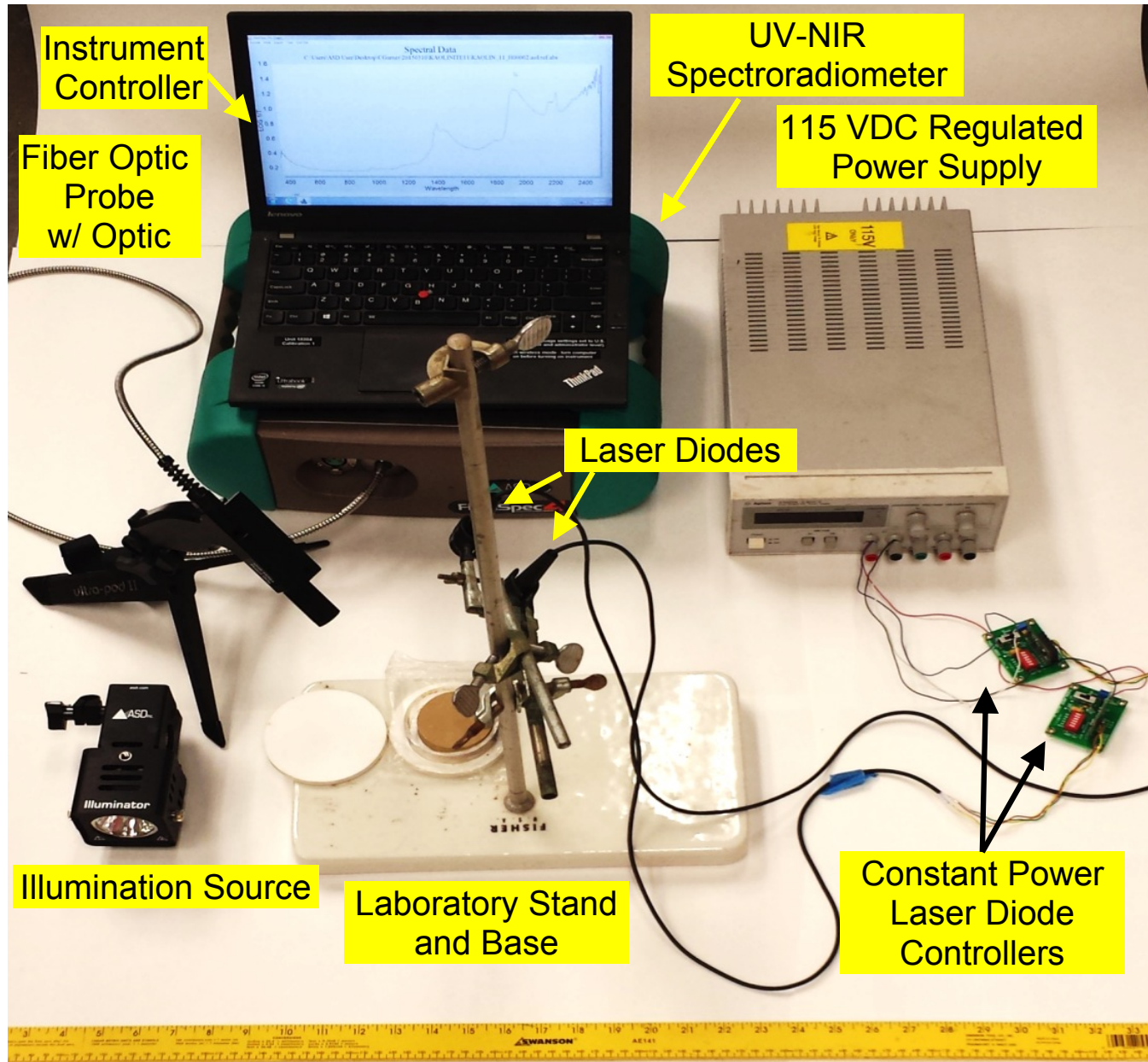
Operating Wavelengths for Remote Sensing of Unsaturated Soils



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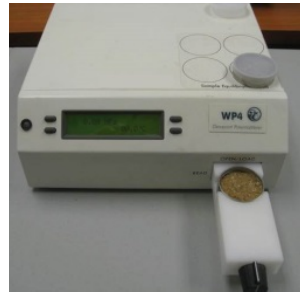
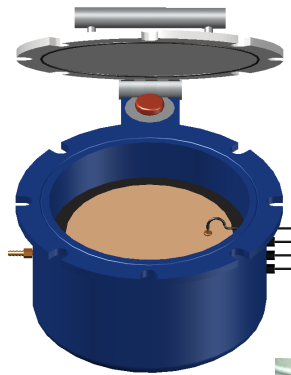


LAST Device



All Techniques Employed

Laboratory Techniques



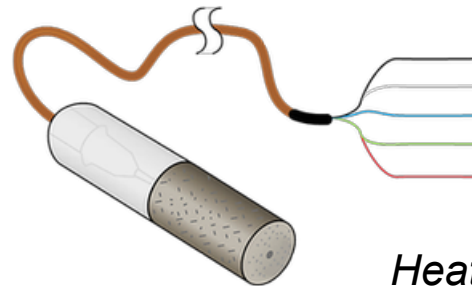
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Remote Sensing Technique

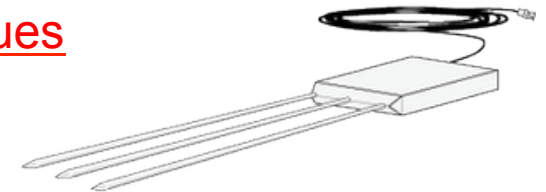


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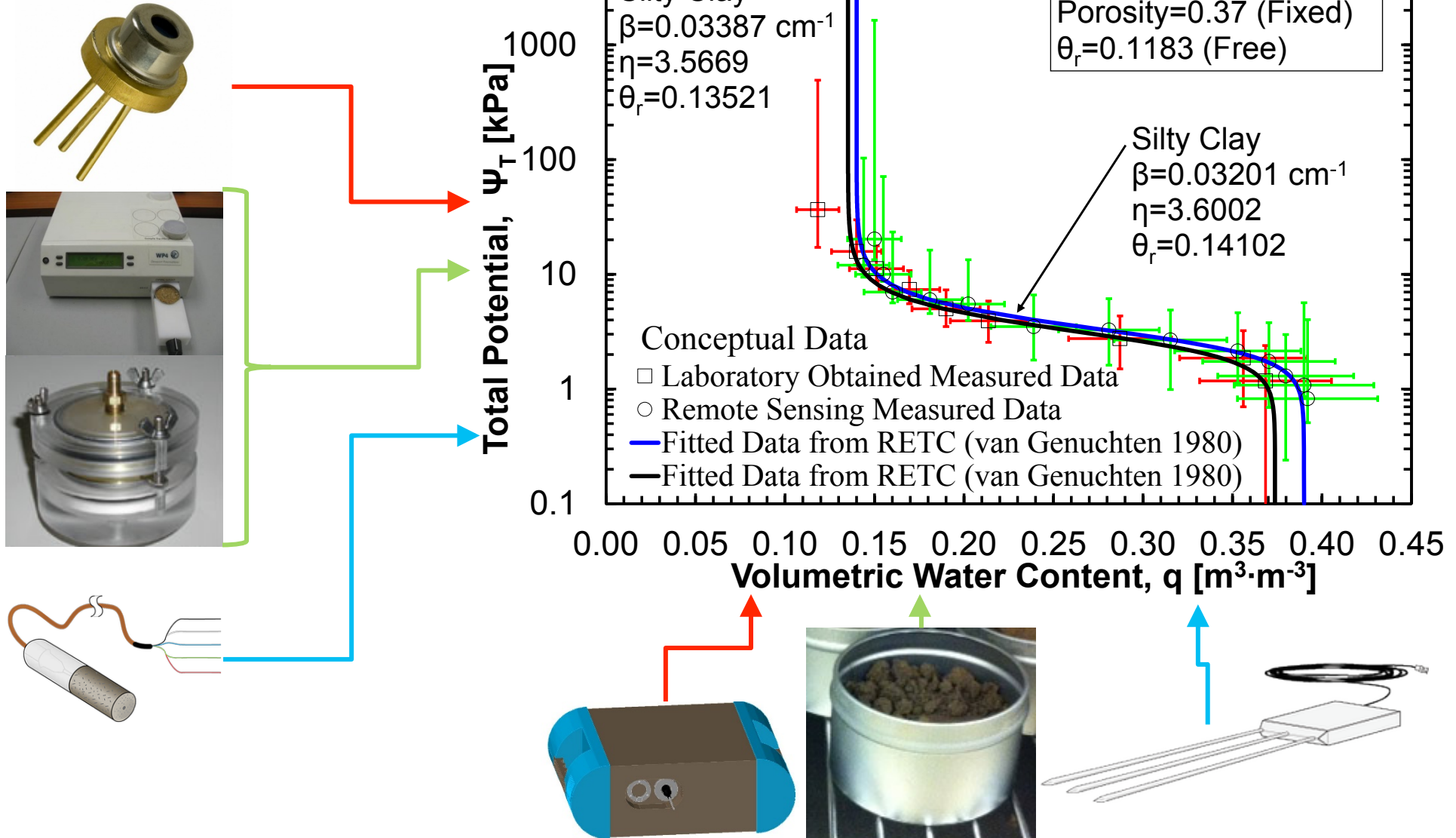
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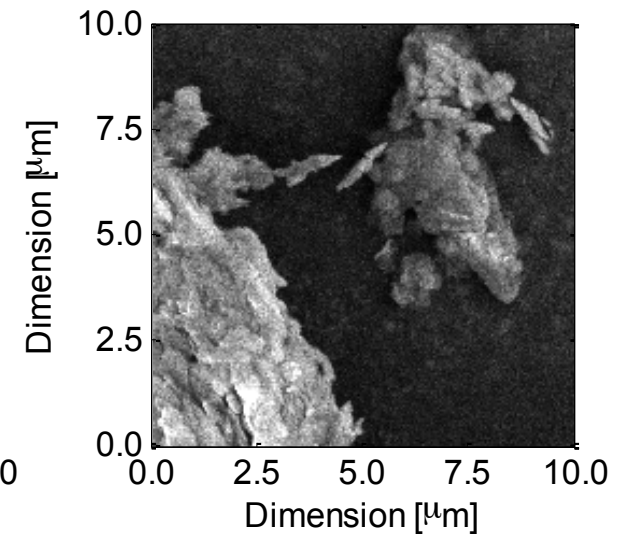
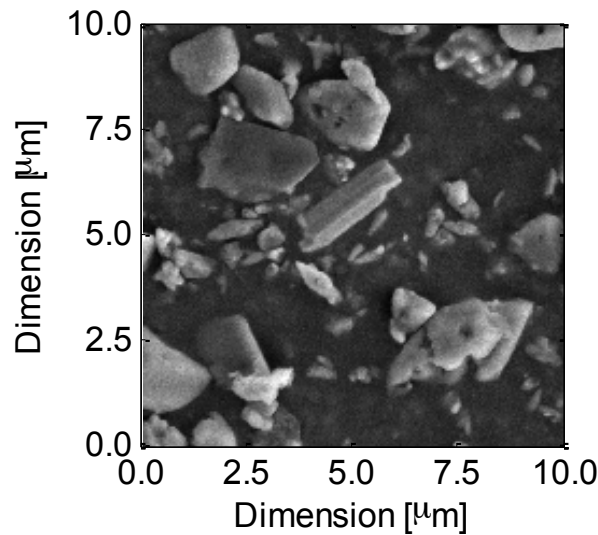
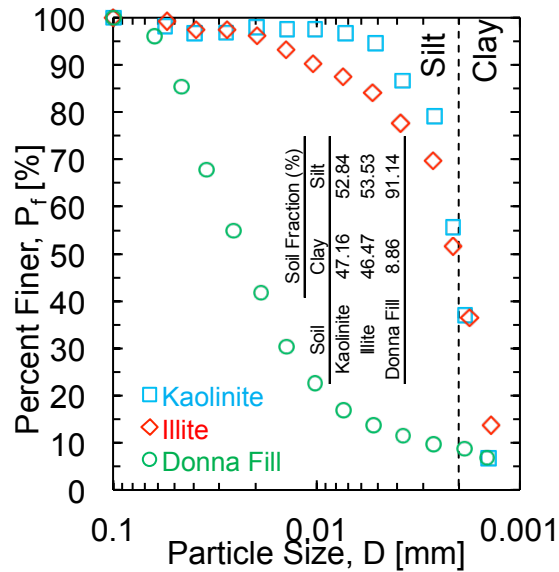
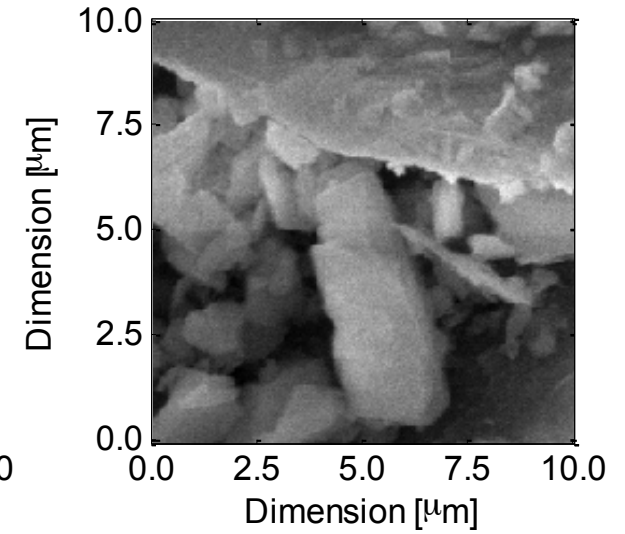
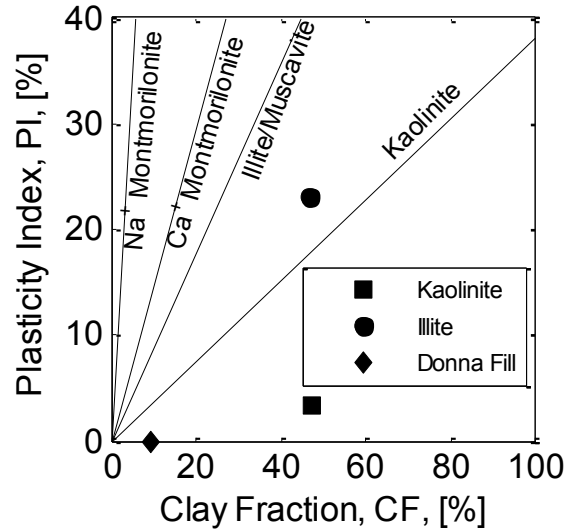
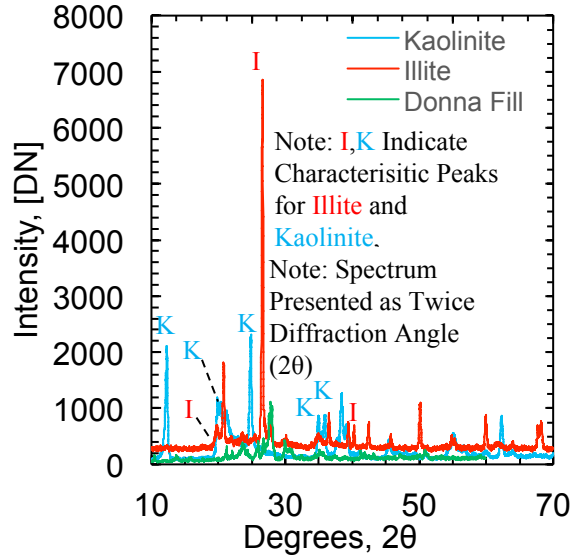
*Heat Dissipation Sensor
Time-Domain Reflectometer*



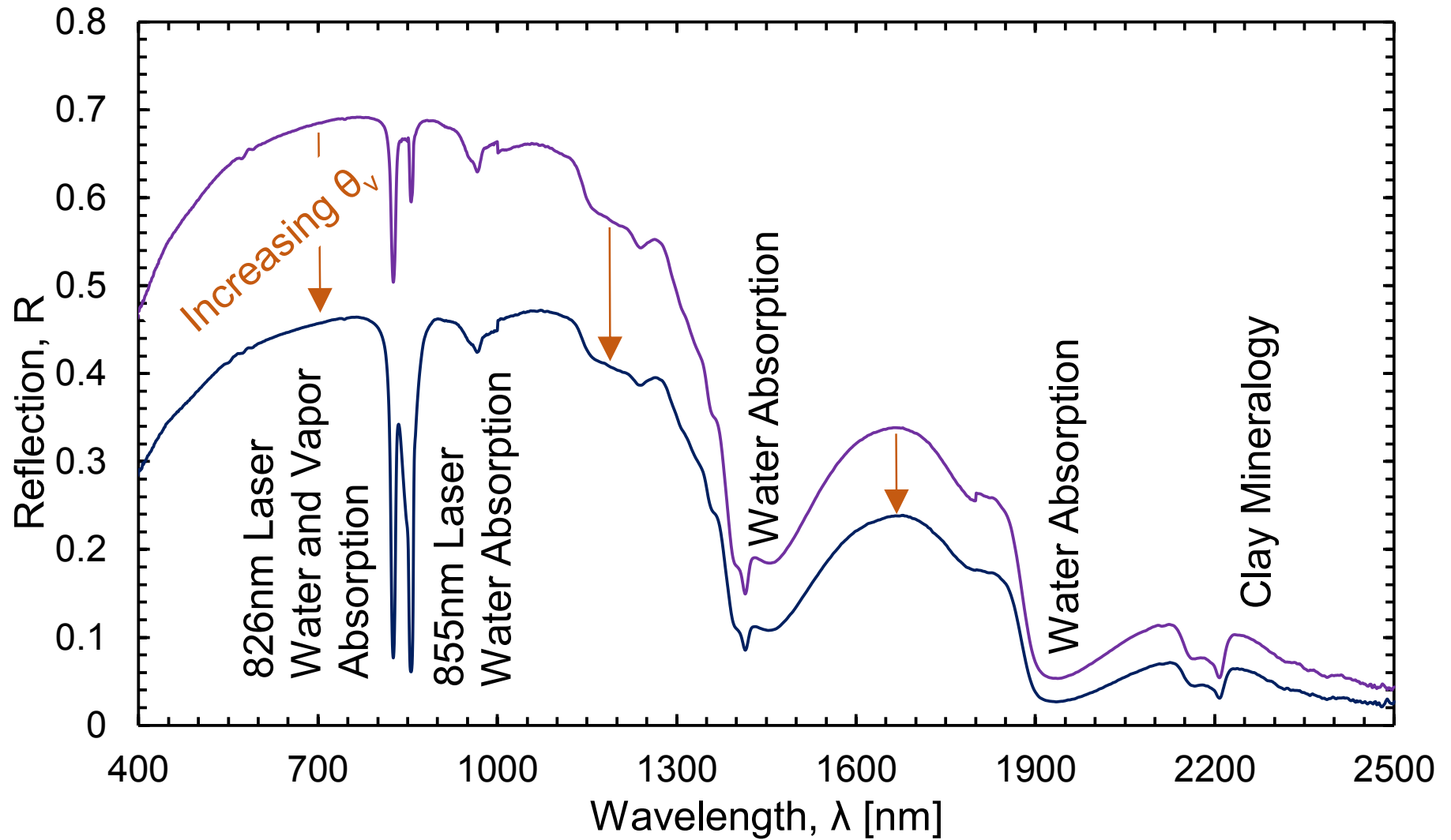
Coupled Soil Water Characteristic Curve Laboratory, In-Situ, Remotely Sensed



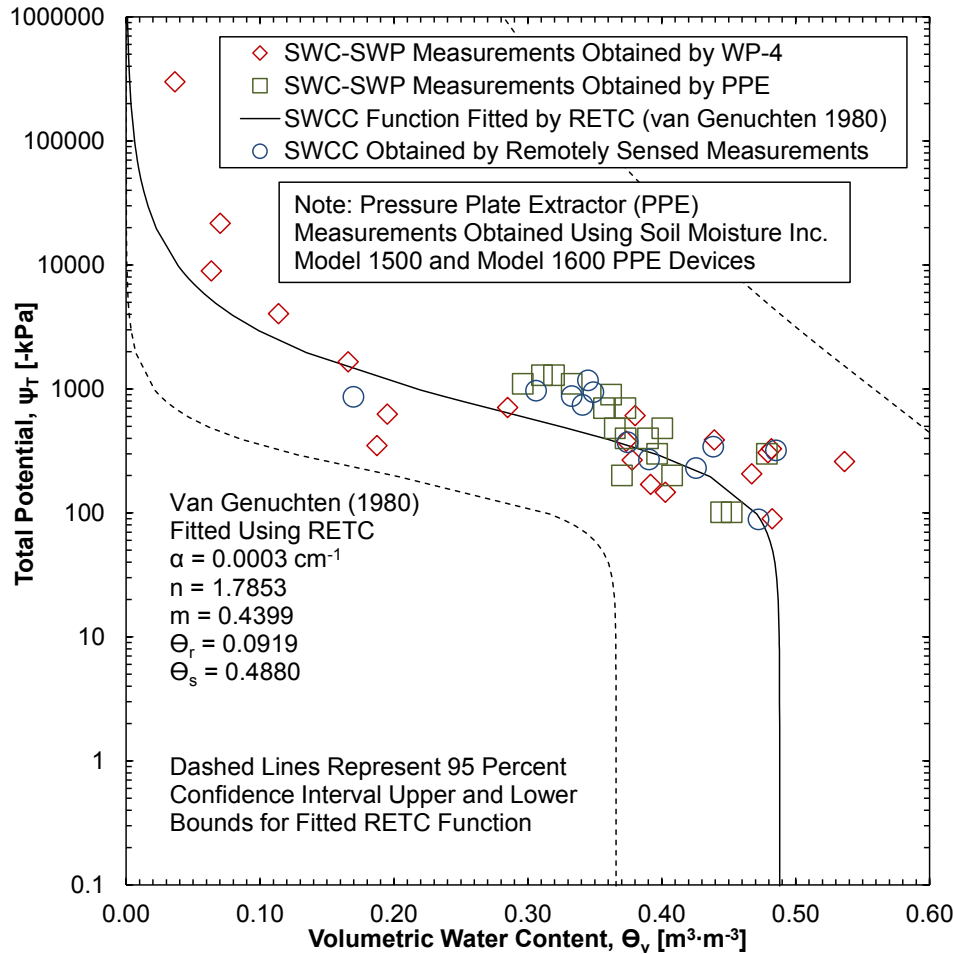
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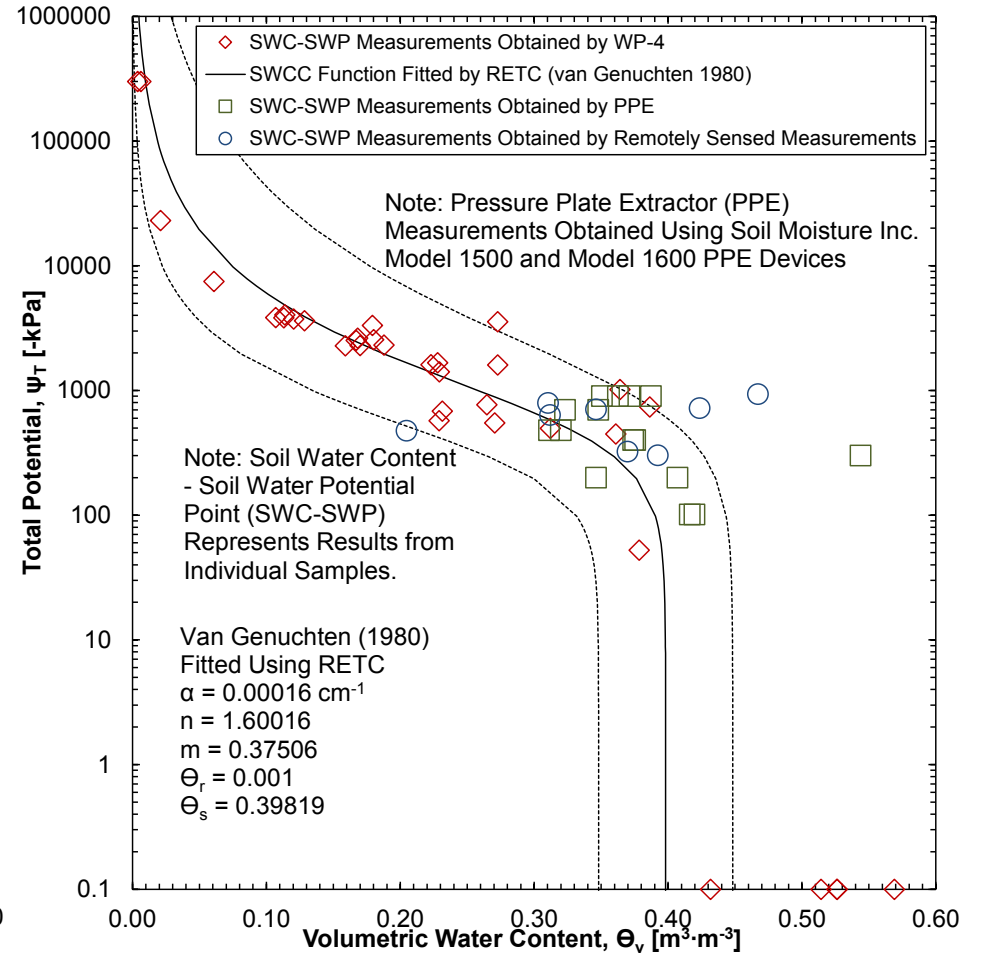
Example UV-NIR Reflectance Spectra



Preliminary Experimental Results



SWCC for Illite soil



SWCC for Kaolinite soil

TASK 5

Remote Sensing Based Assessment System for Evaluating Risk to Transportation Infrastructure Following Wildfires



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Create the Future



Background

- Debris flows are associated with wildfires in mountainous regions (Eaton, 1935; Bailey et al., 1947; Wells, 1987; Cannon, DeGraff, 2009)
 - Ground cover is burned off, increasing runoff and erosion susceptibility (Kinner and Moody, 2007; Wondzell and King, 2003; Meyer, 2002)
 - Fire generated ash fills pore spaces resulting in water repellent soils (Shakesby and Doerr, 2006; Neary et al., 2005; Martin and Moody, 2001; Doerr et al., 2000)
- Ability to accurately predict debris flow events may protect public safety and infrastructure
- Current probabilistic models for predicting debris flow events use logistic regression (Cannon et al., 2010)
 - Assumes linear relationship between predictors and outcome
- Advancements in remote sensing allows for generation of more precise, consistent and timely information than previous field assessments (NASA 2011; De Graff, 2014;)

Background & Problem Statement

- Current models used in predicting debris flow information post-wildfire for Southern California and Intermountain Western United States separately: *
 - Probability of Debris Flow
 - Logistic Regression
 - Volume of Debris Flow
 - Multivariate Linear Regression
 - Hazard ranks are assigned to basins based on outcome of both models

No work that relates the debris flow hazard to the transportation infrastructure

Activity 5: Decision Support System

- Debris flow model
 - Build on the scientific advancement and develop advanced machine learning based probability models for decision support system
 - Evaluate the applicability of higher resolution remotely sensed products for debris flow hazard
- Integrate with NASA RECOVER decision support system

Initial Data

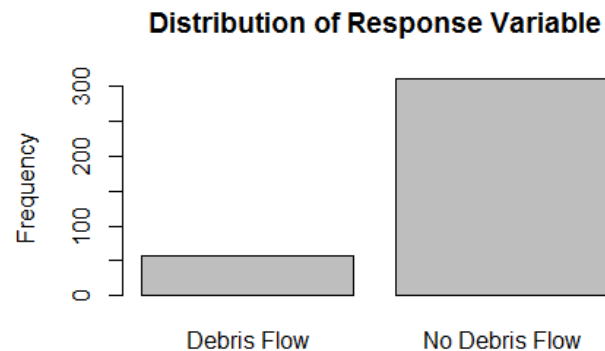
Advanced machine learning techniques were applied to data supplied by USGS** in development of new models for high sensitivity prediction of debris flow events in the Intermountain Western U.S. regions.

* Cannon, S. H., J. E. Gartner, M. G. Rupert, J. A. Michael, A. H. Rea, and C. Parrett. "Predicting the Probability and Volume of Post-wildfire Debris Flows in the Intermountain Western United States." Geological Society of America Bulletin (2009): 127-44.

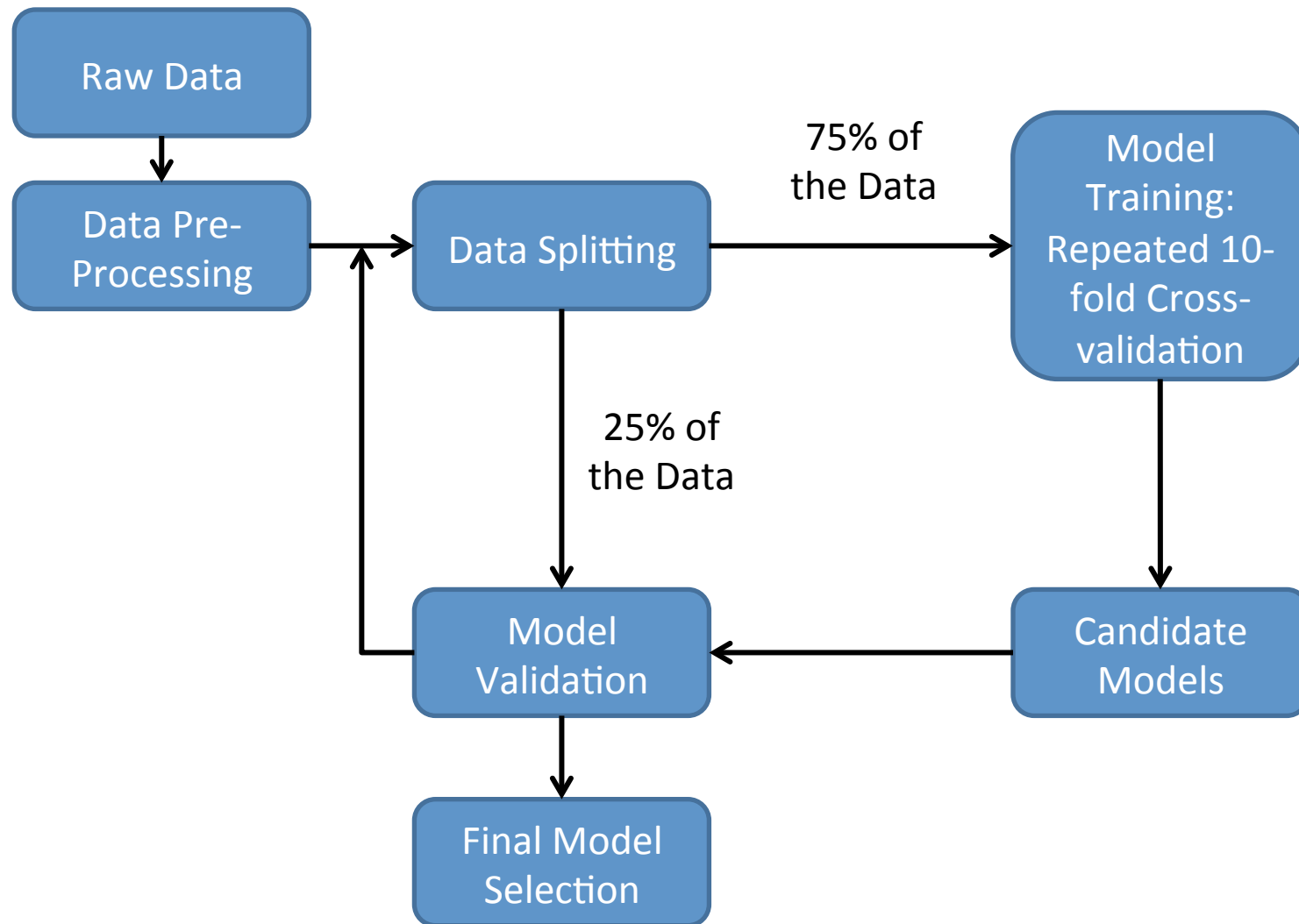
** <http://pubs.usgs.gov/of/2005/1218/Report.html>

Introduction: The Data

- Data provided by the United States Geological Survey
- 388 samples from 15 burn basins in intermountain western U.S.
- 24 Predictor Variables:
 - Topographical
 - Burn Severity
 - Soil Properties
 - Rainfall
- Response Variables: presence or absence of a debris flow following wildfire
 - No debris flow event: 324 samples
 - Debris flow event: 64 samples



Methods



Data Pre-processing

Basin Aspect	Slope >= 30 %	Slope >= 50 %	Basin Burned: Low Severity (%)	Basin Burned: Moderate Severity (%)	Basin Burned: High Severity (%)	Total % Burned	Storm Duration	Avg. Storm Intensity	10 Min Rainfall Intensity	60 Min Rainfall Intensity	Clay Content (%)	Erodibility	Organic Matter (%)	Permeability	Hydrologic Group
Basin Aspect	1	0.16	0.2	0.06	0.05	0.18	-0.1	-0.27	0.04		0.13	0.17	0.08	0.05	0.08
Slope >= 30 %	0.16	1	0.74	0.13	0.24	0.06	0.19	-0.41	0.12	0.2	0.04	0.29	0.08	0.05	-0.15
Slope >= 50 %	0.2	0.74	1	0.17	0.24	0.03	0.14	-0.29	0.03	0.11	0.11	0.22	0.16	0.02	0.16
Basin Burned: Low Severity (%)	0.06	0.13	0.17	1	-0.25	-0.39	0.09	0.11	0.23	0.04	0.04	-0.2	0.04	0.06	0.14
Basin Burned: Moderate Severity (%)	0.05	0.24	0.24	-0.25	1	-0.28	0.49	0.03	0.03	0.08		-0.07	0.06	0.17	-0.13
Basin Burned: High Severity (%)	0.18	0.06	0.05	-0.39	-0.28	1	0.46	0.25	-0.18		0.05	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.11
Total % Burned	-0.1	0.19	0.14	0.09	0.49	0.46	1	0.13	0.04	0.04	0.09	-0.24	-0.1	0.09	0.06
Storm Duration	-0.27	-0.41	-0.29	0.11	0.04	0.25	0.13	1	-0.3	0.25	0.00	-0.44	0.04	0.02	0.16
Avg. Storm Intensity	0.04	0.12	0.03	0.23	0.05	0.18	0.04	-0.3	1	0.68	0.52	0.05	-0.42	0.37	0.24
10 Min Rainfall Intensity		0.2	0.11	0.04	0.08		0.04	-0.25	0.68	1	0.69	0.11	0.21	0.33	0.06
60 Min Rainfall Intensity	0.13	0.04	0.11	0.04		0.06	0.09	0.08	0.52	0.69	1	0.09	0.08	0.17	0.07
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Organic Matter (%)	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.06	-0.17	0.03	0.09	0.01	0.37	0.33	0.17	0.3	0.3	1	0.03
Permeability	0.08	0.15	0.16	0.14	0.13	0.11	0.06	0.16	0.24	0.06	0.07	0.06	-0.34	0.03	1
Hydrologic Group	0.08	-0.1		0.07		-0.16	-0.1	0.27	0.34	0.17	0.12	-0.3	-0.45	0.01	1

- Filtering sparse variables and data points with any missing information
- Removing variables with near zero variance
- Systematically removing highly correlated variables ($\rho > 0.75$)

Exploring Candidate Models

- Linear Models
 - Logistic Regression
 - Penalized Regression
 - Linear and PLS Discriminant Analysis
- Nonlinear Models
 - Support Vector Machine
 - K-Nearest Neighbors
 - Mixture Discriminant Analysis
 - Neural Network
 - Naïve Bayes
 - Classification Trees

Quantifying Model Performance

- Accuracy is misleading because it is dominated by non-events which are common
- A model with a high sensitivity rate is preferred
 - When a debris flow occurs, how 'sensitive' is our model in identifying it

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + FP + FN + TN}$$

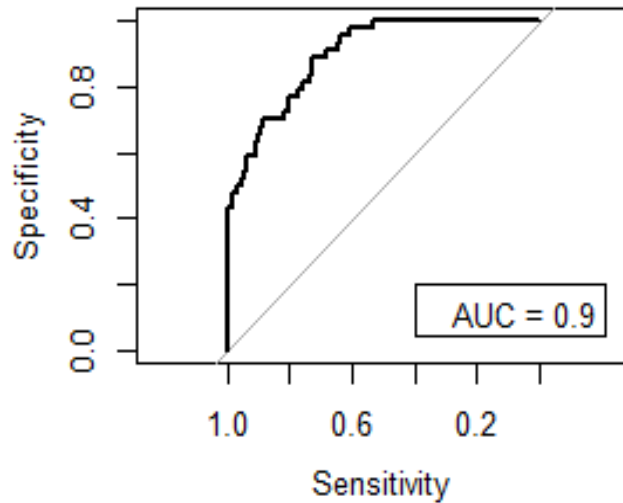
$$\text{Sensitivity} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$\text{Specificity} = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

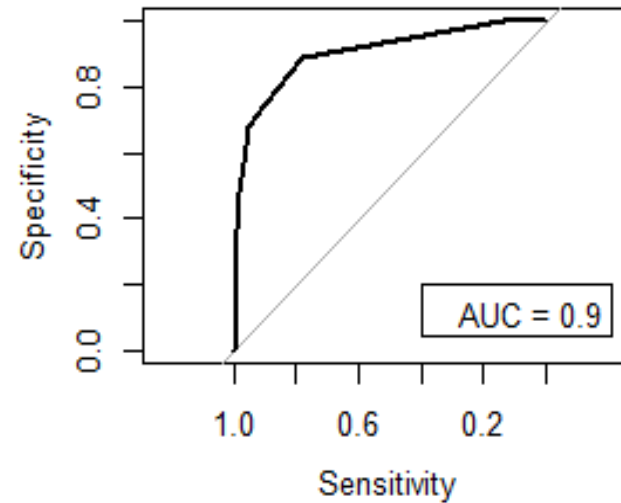
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Debris Flow	FP	TP

Top Candidate Models

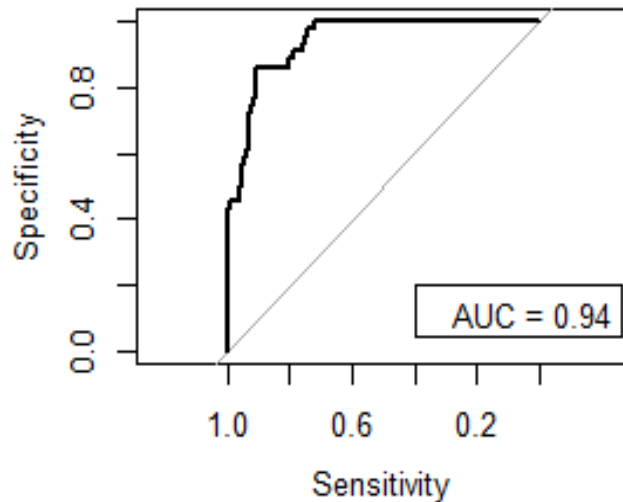
Logistic Regression



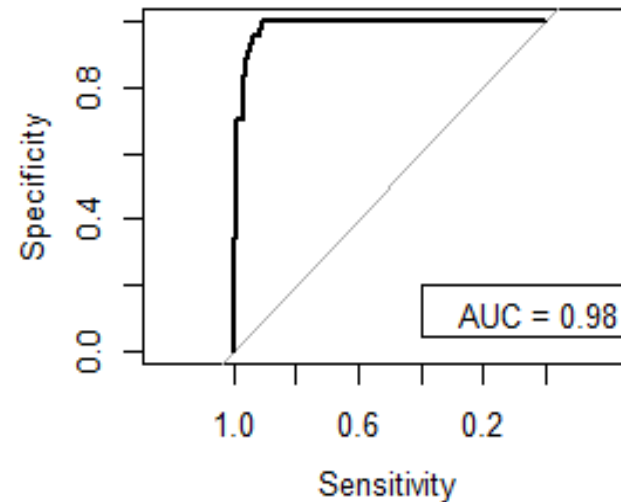
Classification Tree



Naive Bayes Classifier



Mixture Discriminant Analysis



Model Training and Validation Metrics

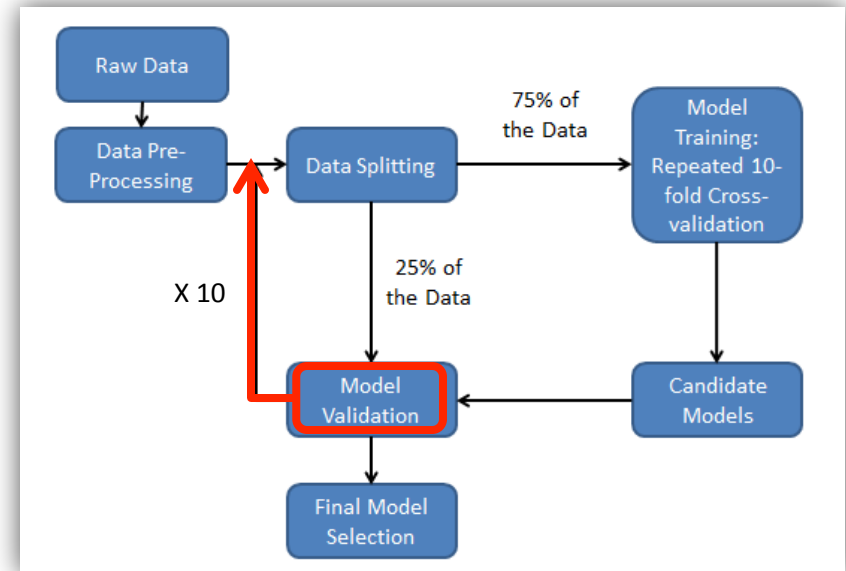
- Performance metrics should represent model performance in future predictions for new burn basins
- Overall decrease in model sensitivities when predicting on validation data
- May indicate over fitting to training data

Training Data Set Performance Metrics for Top Four Models			
Model	Accuracy	Sensitivity	Specificity
Logistic Regression	0.9	0.48	0.98
Classification Tree	0.91	0.95	0.68
Naïve Bayes	0.87	0.86	0.88
Mixture Discriminant Analysis	0.92	1	0.91

Validation Data Set Performance Metrics for Top Four Models			
Model	Accuracy	Sensitivity	Specificity
Logistic Regression	0.84	0.36	0.92
Classification Tree	0.87	0.50	0.94
Naïve Bayes	0.79	0.64	0.82
Mixture Discriminant Analysis	0.88	0.71	0.91

Further Model Validation

- The initial validation data set may have been 'unusual' or 'lucky'
 - A more rigorous model validation scheme is necessary
- Repeat data splitting, training, and validating steps 10 times
- Overall, naïve Bayes is the most sensitive and consistent model





Repeated Validation Metrics		
Model	Mean Sensitivity	Standard Deviation
Logistic Regression	0.42	0.12
Classification Tree	0.46	0.15
Naïve Bayes	0.72	0.08
Mixture Discriminant Analysis	0.71	0.1

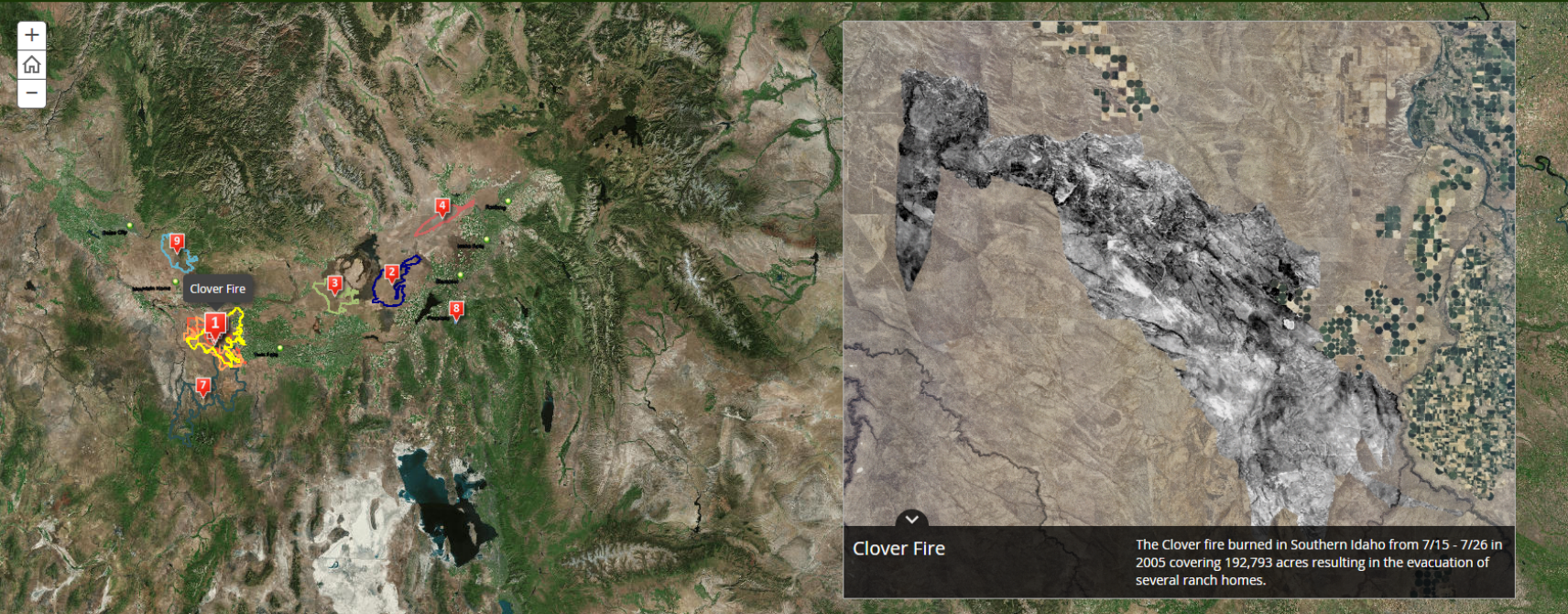
DSS: NASA RECOVER

Major Idaho Fires

From 2003-2013 wild fires burned nearly 4 million acres in Idaho

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Clover Fire

The Clover fire burned in Southern Idaho from 7/15 - 7/26 in 2005 covering 192,793 acres resulting in the evacuation of several ranch homes.

- 1 Clover.JPG - Clover Fire
- 2 Crystal.JPG - Crystal Fire
- 3 FlatTop2.JPG - FlatTop 2 Fire
- 4 Jefferson.JPG - Jefferson Fire
- 5 Kinyon.JPG - Kinyon Fire
- 6 LongButte.JPG - Long Butte Fire
- 7 Murphy.JPG - Murphy Fire Complex
- 8 Charlotte.JPG - Charlotte Fire
- 9 Pony.JPG - Pony Fire



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Stateline Fire Reaches 3,000 Acres Near Wallula

Posted: Sep 13, 2015 10:35 PM EDT

Updated: Sep 13, 2015 10:47 PM EDT

Posted by Morgan Ashley [CONNECT](#)

WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WA- Firefighters are currently battling a 3,000 acre blaze called the Stateline fire in Walla Walla County.

The Walla Walla County Emergency operations center says it activated just before 1 p.m. on Sunday. The fire is burning near Wallula and Port Kelly, where level two evacuation notices have been issued. Those who live in the area are asked to be on standby to evacuate.

Highway 730 is closed from the Wallula Junction to the Oregon state line. An evacuation center is set up at the Columbia Burbank Middle School on Maple Street.

A type 3 incident management team is fighting this fire, and state mobilization has been called in.

There is about 75 firefighters working on the Stateline fire. Crews tell us they hope to get the fire under control this morning but will stick around overnight to monitor fire activity.

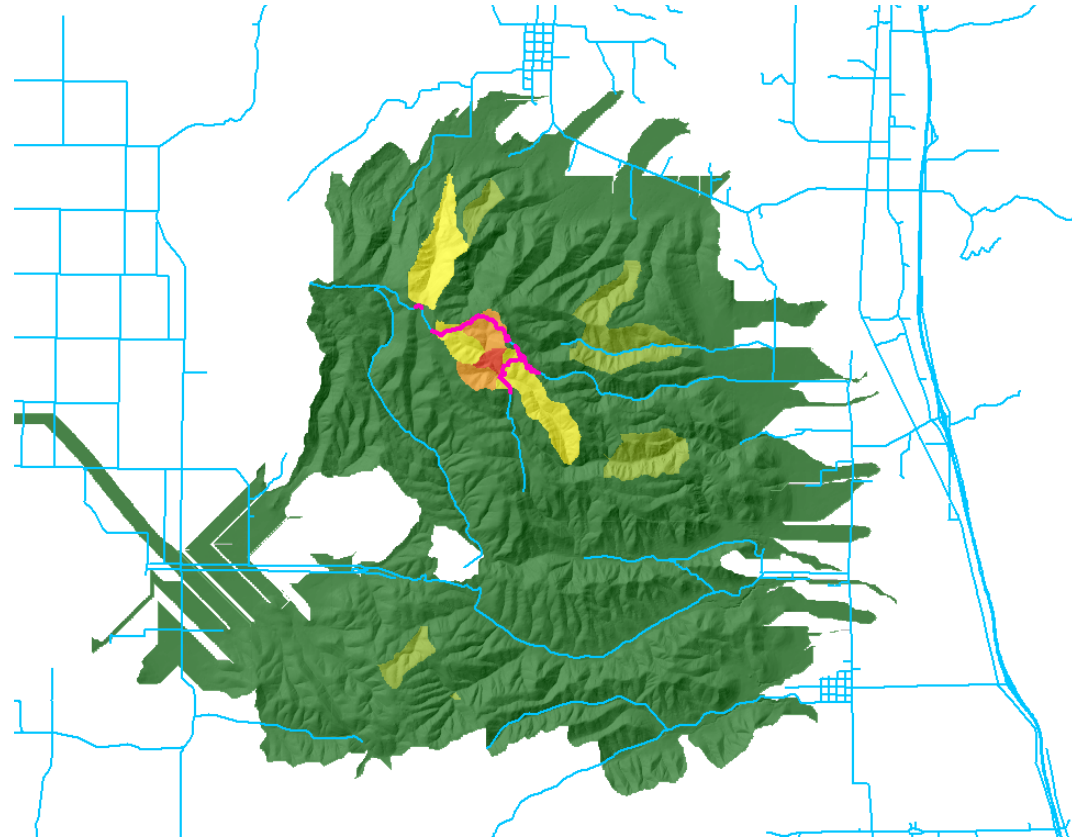
No homes have been lost, and the cause of the wildfire is under investigation.

To sign up for alerts from the Walla Walla County Emergency Management, [click](#)



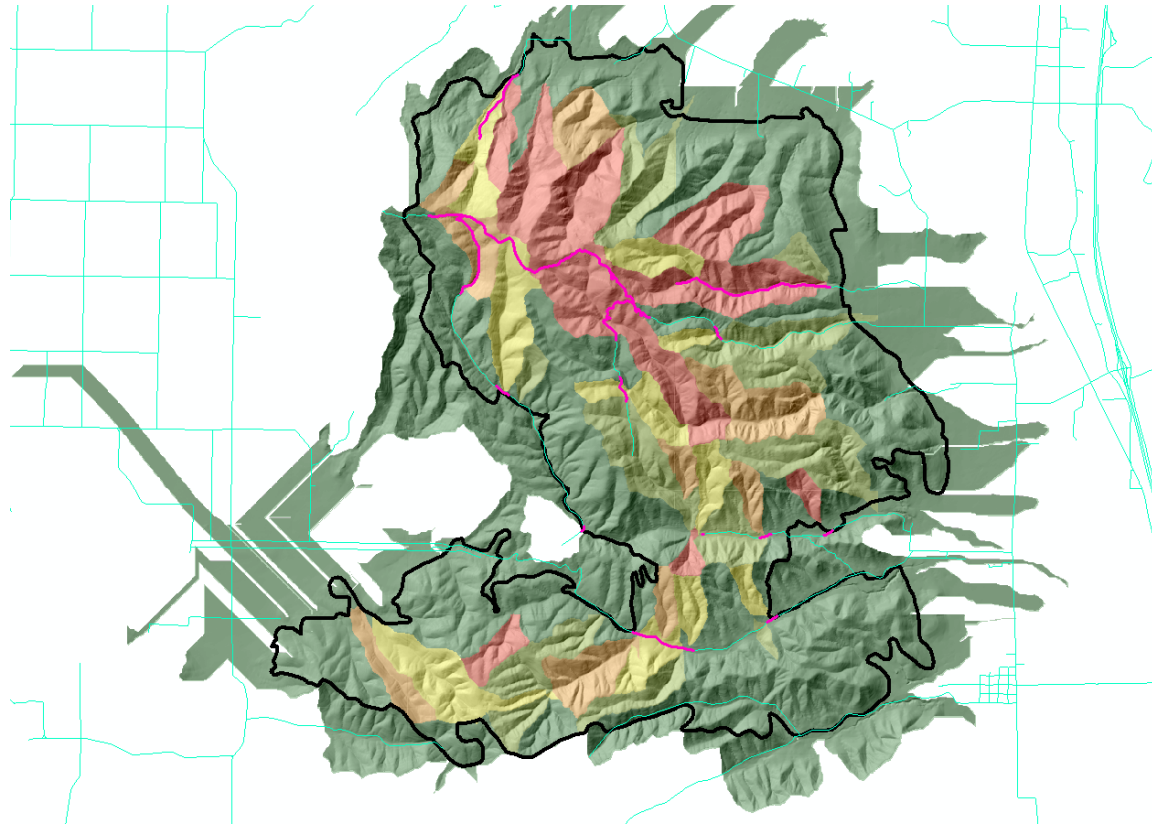
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 - 0.4 - 0.6
 - 0.6 - 0.8
 - 0.8 - 1



DSS: Idaho State Line Fire (Hypothetical Scenario)

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 - 0.6 - 0.8
 - 0.8 - 1
- Hillshade
Value
High : 254
Low : 0



Future Work

- Improve the model with higher resolution data from Univ. of Arkansas
- Integrate risk with Hazard
- Expand the model for other part of the country
- Develop levels of warning for transportation community

Questions?

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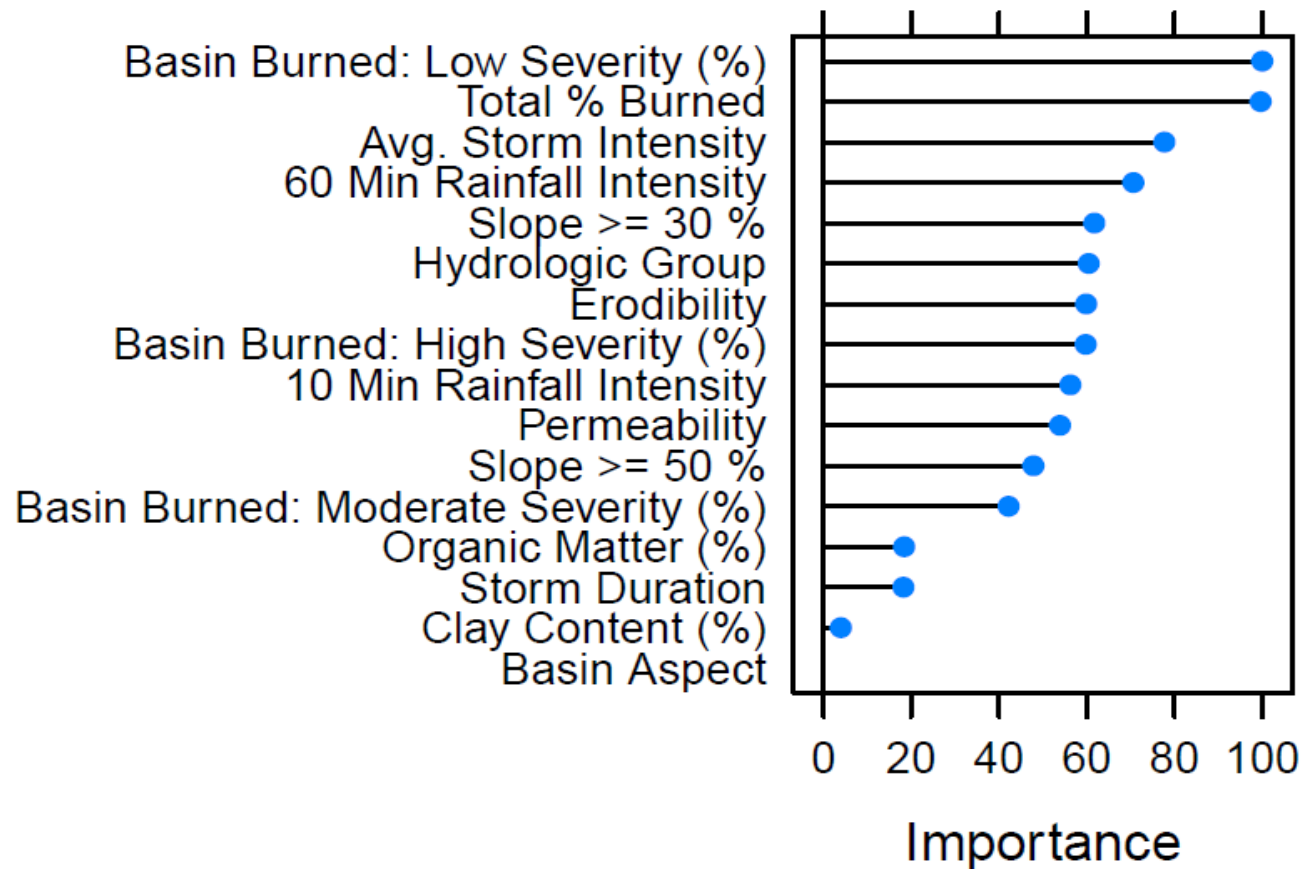


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Naïve Bayes: Variable Importance



- Variable importance was determined by the relative influence of each variable when added to the model

TASK 6

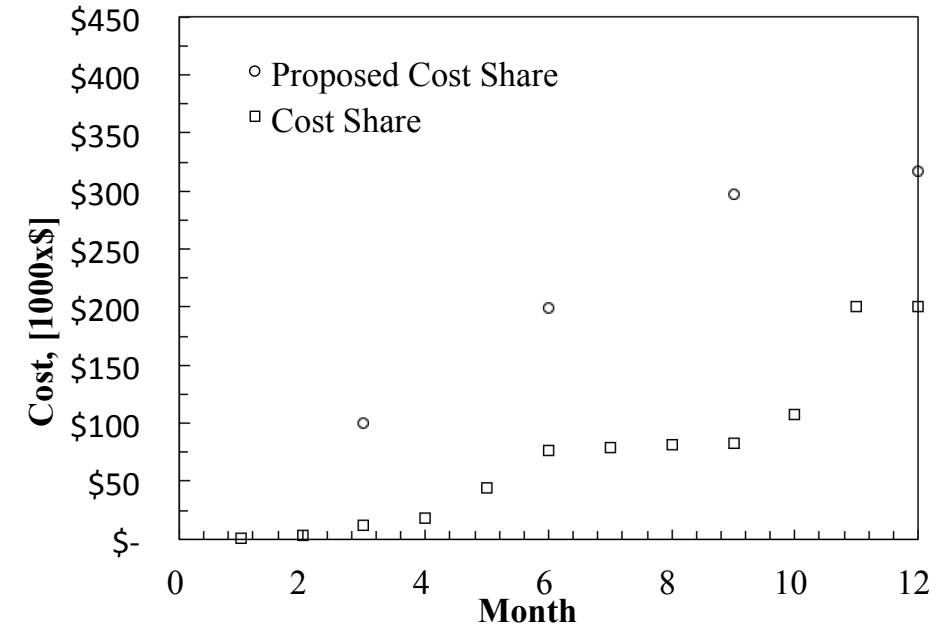
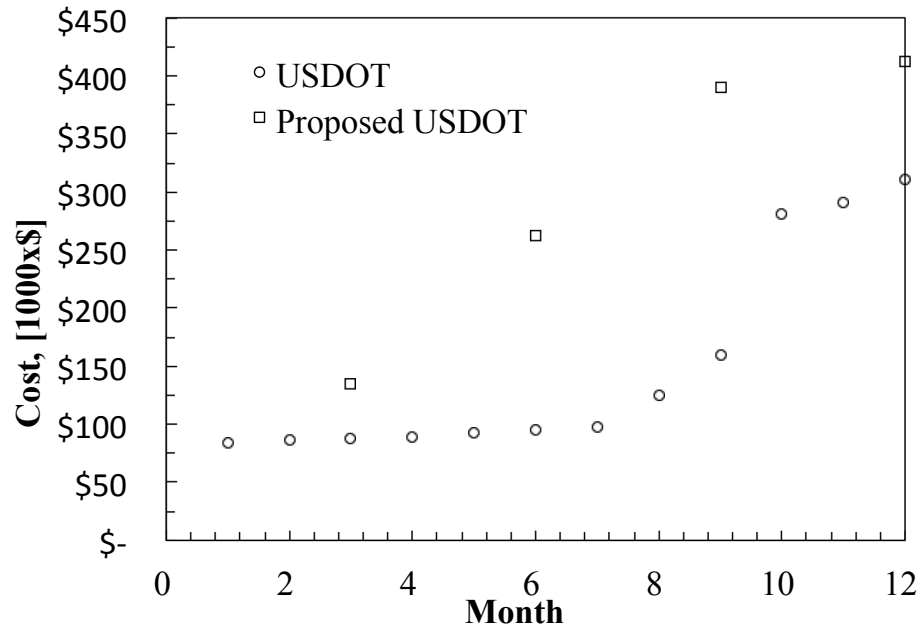
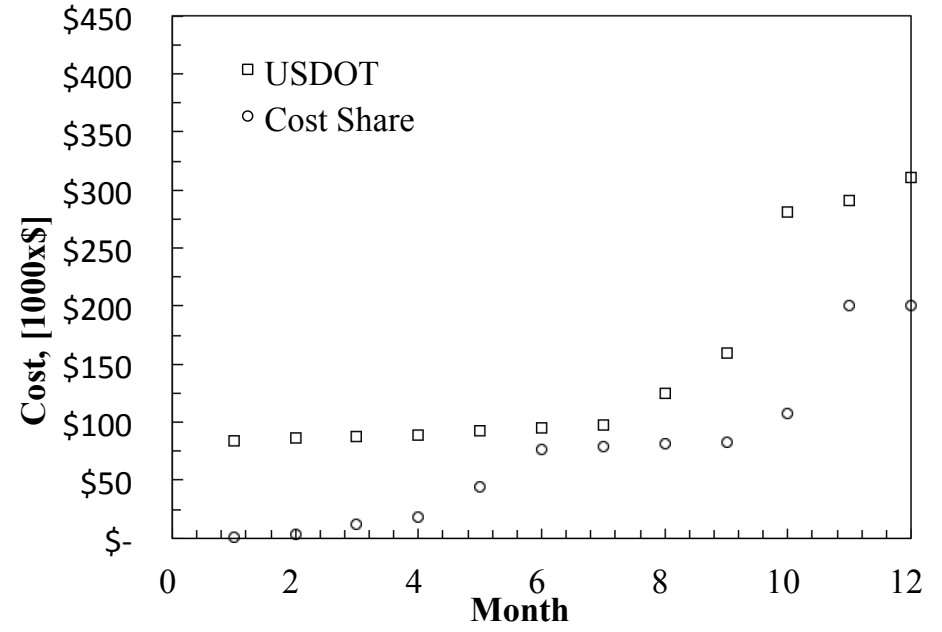
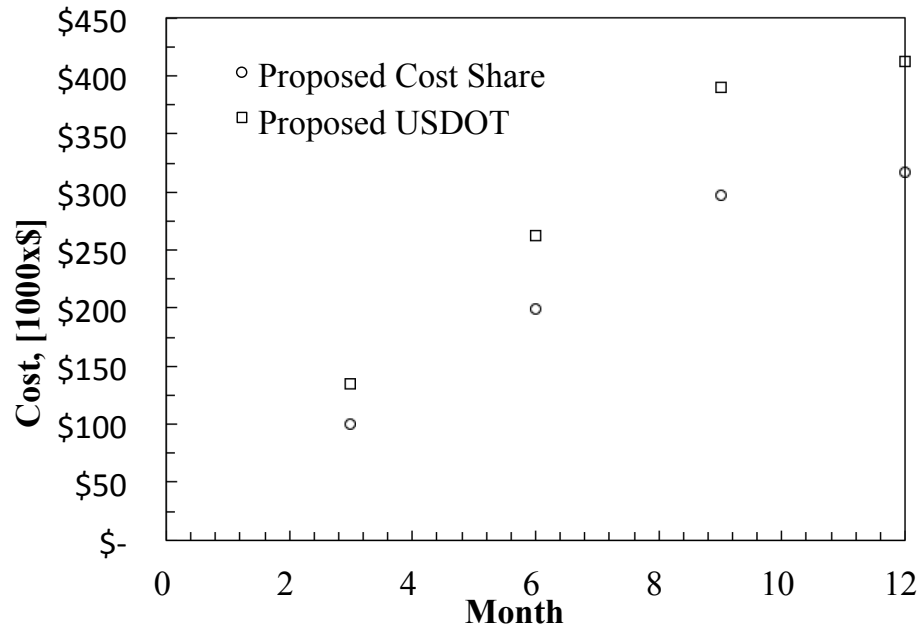
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Expenditures



Commercialization Meeting as Part of Caesar Singh's Yearly Meeting
Willard J. Walker Hall Room 515
September 23, 2015
3:00pm – 3:40pm

Attendees:

Caesar Singh, USDOT
Amy Sterns, USDOT
Dawn Tucker-Thomas, USDOT
Vasanth Ganesan, USDOT (via telephone)
Carol Reeves, University of Arkansas
Rick Coffman, University of Arkansas
Suzie Engle, University of Arkansas

Caesar:

Common method of federally funded, applied/advanced, research at USDOT is the final report model. The findings from these final reports were not being implemented. Historically, the research was technically sound but there was a problem in implementing the research. Therefore, around six or seven years ago there was a push to start developing prototypes of products. Academic institutions were charged with leading the effort.

The principal investigators from ongoing OASRTRS projects will be meeting in December to discuss current status of projects. Part of this meeting will be a workshop with field demonstrations to stakeholders. Instead of developing XYZ product and wanting a given state transportation department to buy and be the custodian of XYZ product, the ownership, operation and maintenance will be supplied by a vendor.

The workshop will include vendors, stakeholders, and researchers. The goal of the workshop is to determine how to roll out the research to the stakeholders. I asked Rick to put together the meeting today to learn about the Arkansas Commercialization Workshop.

Carol:

The Arkansas Commercialization Workshop was held for the 4th time in June. Most of the attendees are from STEM disciplines. Participants attended representing all of the Arkansas schools (University of Arkansas-Fayetteville, University of Arkansas-Little Rock, Arkansas State University, University of Arkansas Medical Science).

The workshop provided a discussion of the I-Crops program to develop a culture of entrepreneurship. Other federal agencies have started implementing the I-Corps model (NIH, NSF, ARL). For the I-Corps, a team including a principal investigator, a graduate student, and a mentor complete a seven-week program. There are different nodes and different sites of the I-Corp program (national and local).

During the seven-week program, the team conducts 100 interviews (100 different customers). The I-Corps program is based on the lean canvas/business model startup approach. If the interviews lead the proposers down a different path the proposers can PIVOT to a different outcome. In the end there is a go/no go decision. The breakdown of go/no go decisions is typically (0.3 to 0.7, respectively).

Since 2009 the entrepreneurship program at the University of Arkansas has developed 18 high growth startups. There have been two exits. Student teams from the University of Arkansas have been awarded with 40 million in winnings from entrepreneurship competitions.