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# ***Investigating Urban Heat Island Estimation and Relation between Various Land Cover Indices in Tehran City Using Landsat 8 Imagery***

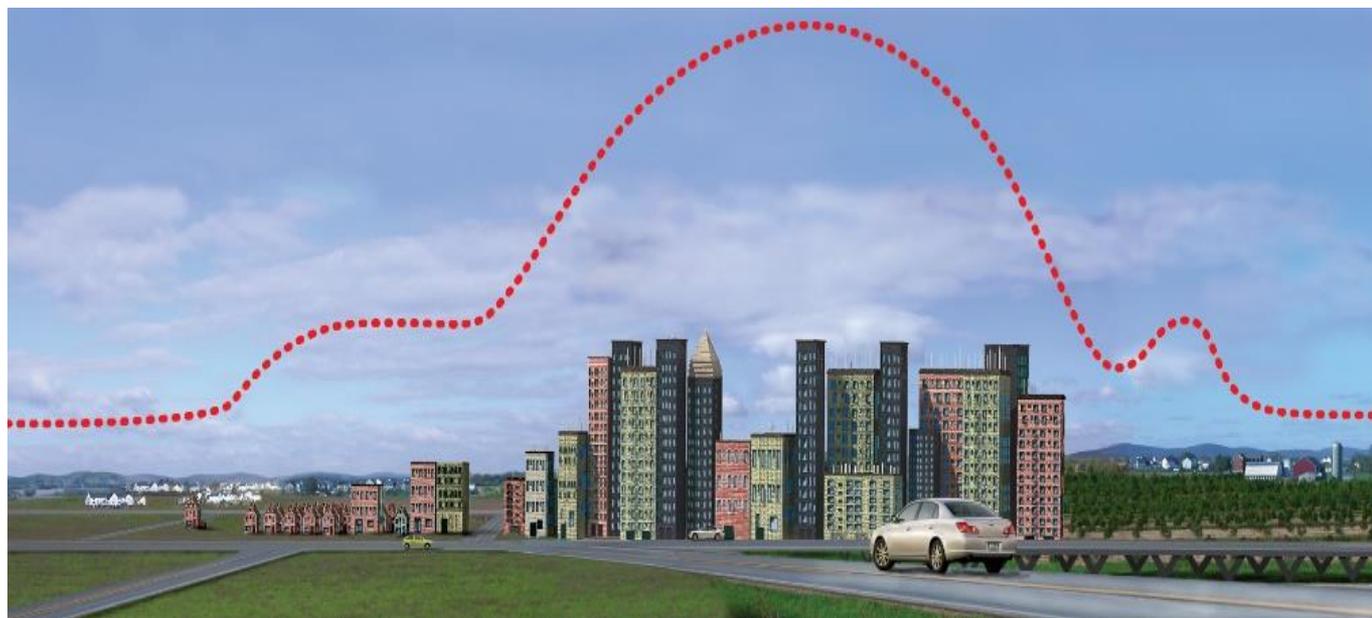
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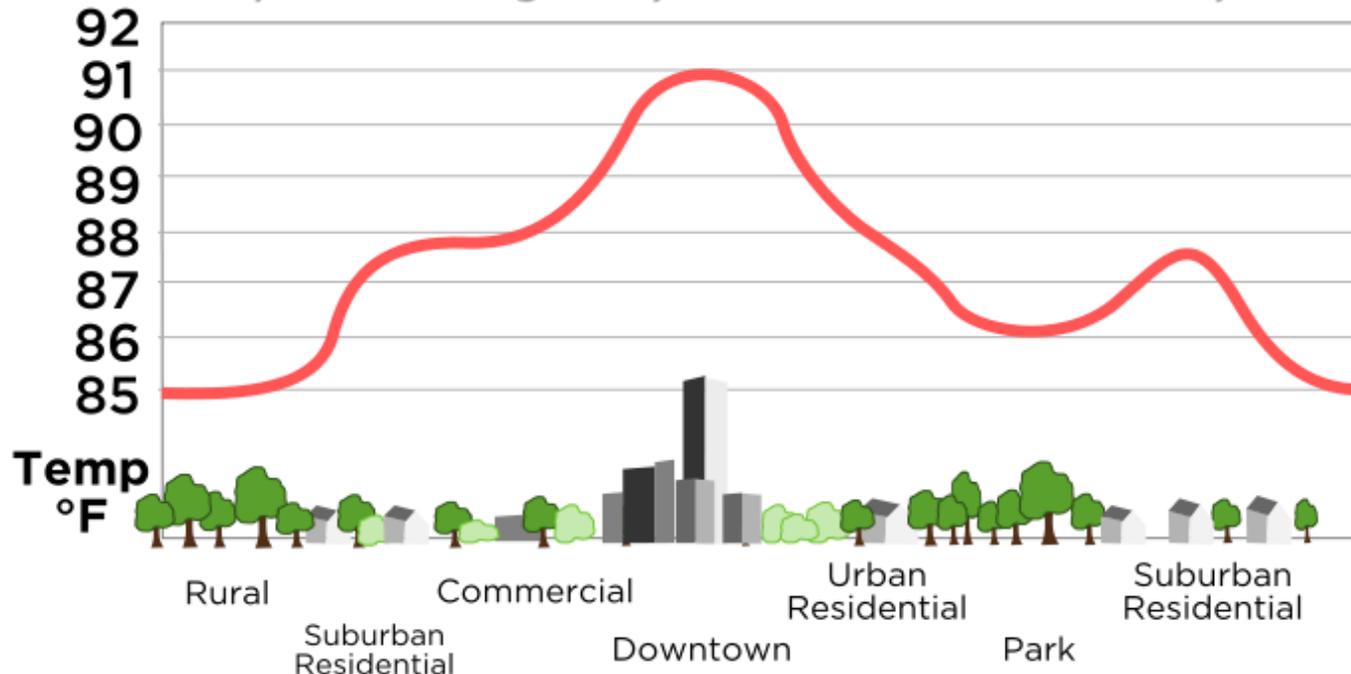
# ***Introduction***

- ✓ *As urban areas develop, changes occur in the landscape. Buildings, roads, and other infrastructure replace open land and vegetation. Surfaces that were once permeable and moist generally become impermeable and dry.*
- ✓ *This development leads to the formation of urban heat islands (UHI) the phenomenon whereby urban regions experience warmer temperatures than their rural surroundings.*



# Introduction

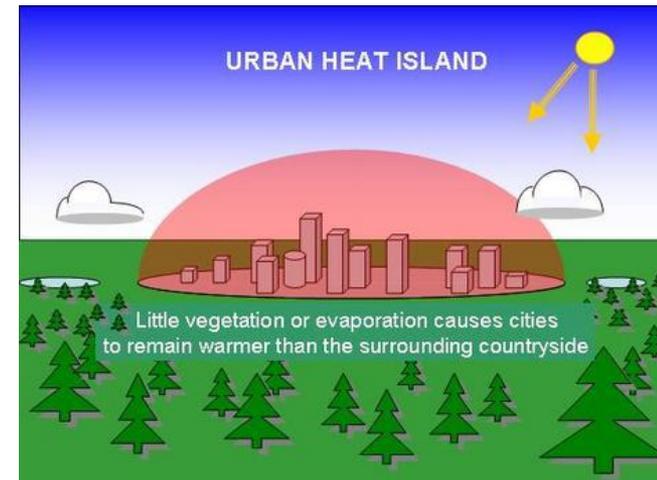
- ✓ *Urban populations are particularly vulnerable due to the UHI phenomenon. City environments hold more heat and routinely experience ambient air temperatures from 2° - 10°F warmer than the surrounding rural and suburban areas. The UHI radiates heat out at night, raising nighttime minimum temperatures, which has been linked epidemiologically with excess mortality.*



## **Causes of the heat island effect**

- ✓ Increased surface water absorption caused by canyon geometry.
- ✓ Decreased LW loss caused by canyon geometry.
- ✓ Increased greenhouse effect caused by air pollution.
- ✓ Anthropogenic heat source.
- ✓ Increased sensible heat storage caused by construction materials.
- ✓ Decreased latent heat flux caused by change of surface type.
- ✓ Decreased sensible and latent heat fluxes caused by canyon geometry (reduction of wind speed).

*“Canyons” between buildings*



## Consequences UHI

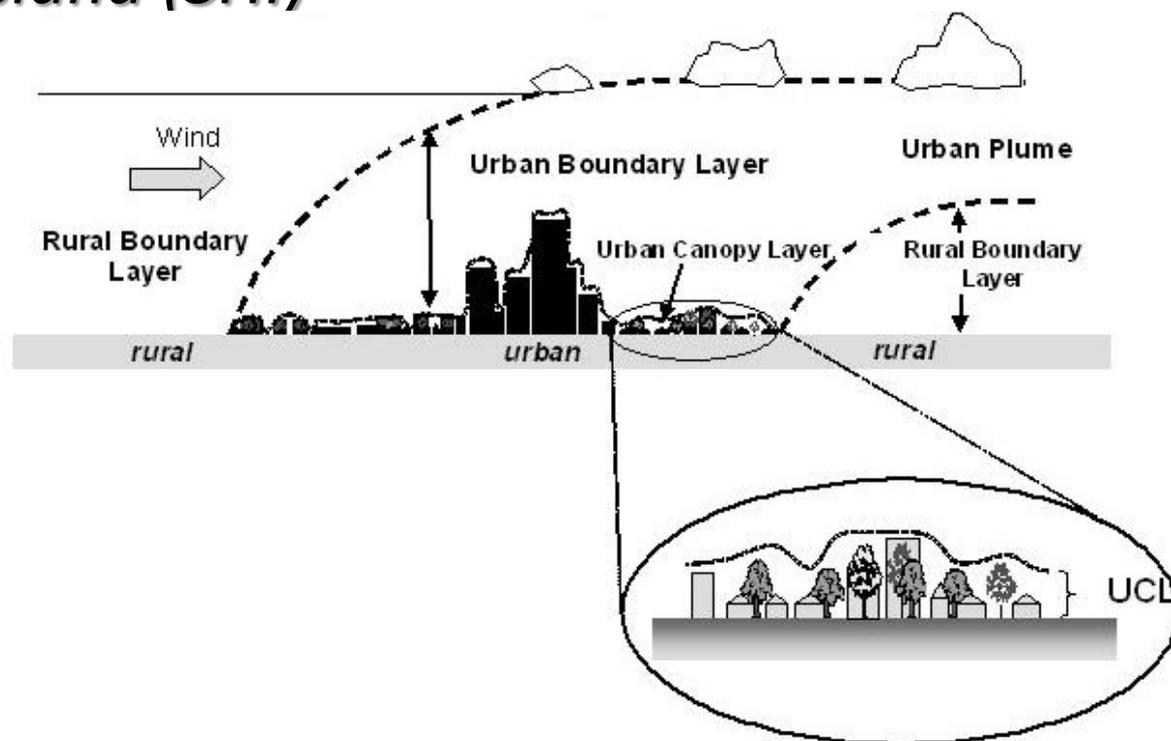
- ✓ *More air conditioning (1-1.5 gigawatts).*
- ✓ *More electricity, more emission of GHG.*
- ✓ *More smog.*
- ✓ *More health problems.*
- ✓ *Eye irritation, lung damage, asthma.*
- ✓ *Vegetation issues.*



# Are there different types of urban heat islands?

✓ *There are three types of heat islands:*

- *Canopy layer heat island (CLHI)*
- *Boundary layer heat island (BLHI)*
- *Surface heat island (SHI)*



# ***Motivation***

- ✓ *Investigating mega city (case study Tehran city).*
- ✓ *Investigating Landsat 8 imagery with two valuable Thermal bands (Band 10 and 11).*
- ✓ *Incorporating various urban indices.*
- ✓ *Incorporating various vegetation indices.*
- ✓ *Utilizing kernel base analysis model for urban thermal environment by employing Support Vector Regression (SVR) algorithm.*
- ✓ *Mitigating UHI effects.*

# Motivation

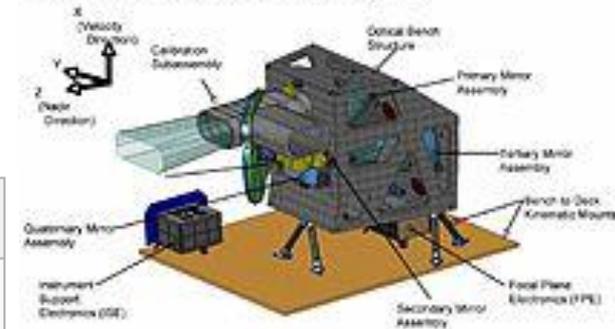


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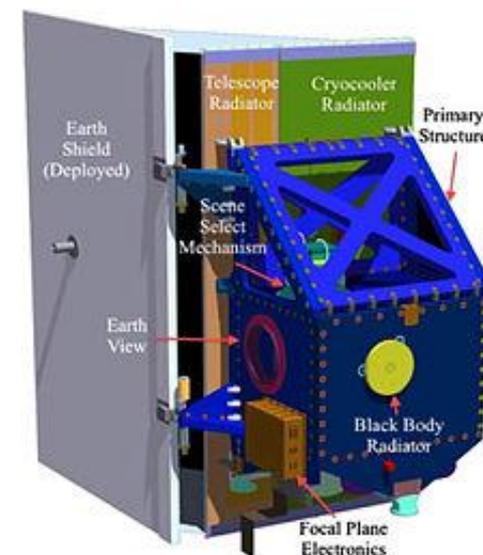
## ✓ Landsat8 - OLI Spectral Bands

OLI Instrument Overview



Spectral Band	Wavelength	Resolution
Band 1 - Coastal / Aerosol	0.433 - 0.453 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m
Band 2 - Blue	0.450 - 0.515 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m
Band 3 - Green	0.525 - 0.600 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m
Band 4 - Red	0.630 - 0.680 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m
Band 5 - Near Infrared	0.845 - 0.885 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m
Band 6 - Short Wavelength Infrared	1.560 - 1.660 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m
Band 7 - Short Wavelength Infrared	2.100 - 2.300 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m
Band 8 - Panchromatic	0.500 - 0.680 $\mu\text{m}$	15 m
Band 9 - Cirrus	1.360 - 1.390 $\mu\text{m}$	30 m

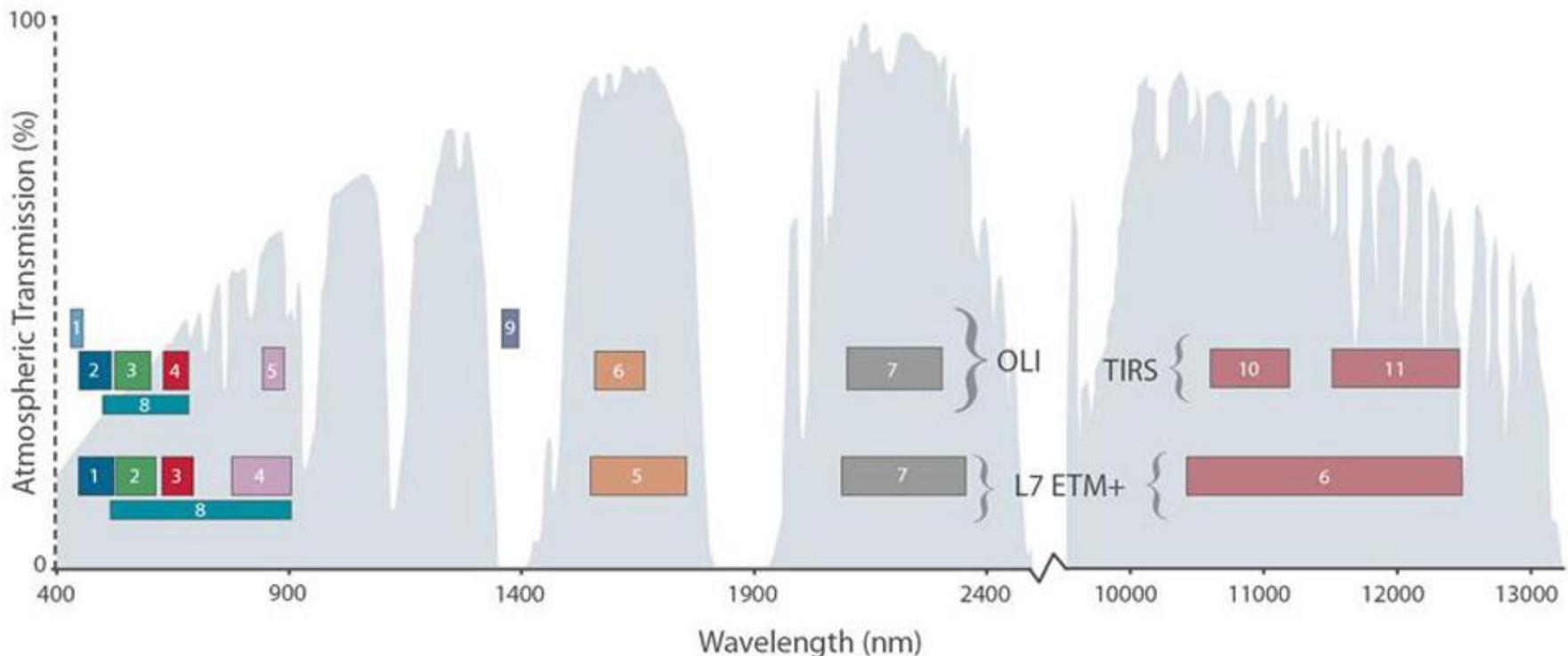
## ✓ Landsat8 - TIRS Spectral Bands



Spectral Band	Wavelength	Resolution
Band 10 - Long Wavelength Infrared	10.30 - 11.30 $\mu\text{m}$	100 m
Band 11 - Long Wavelength Infrared	11.50 - 12.50 $\mu\text{m}$	100 m

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- ✓ Landsat 8 carries two push-broom instruments: the Operational Land Imager (**OLI**), and the Thermal Infrared Sensor (**TIRS**).

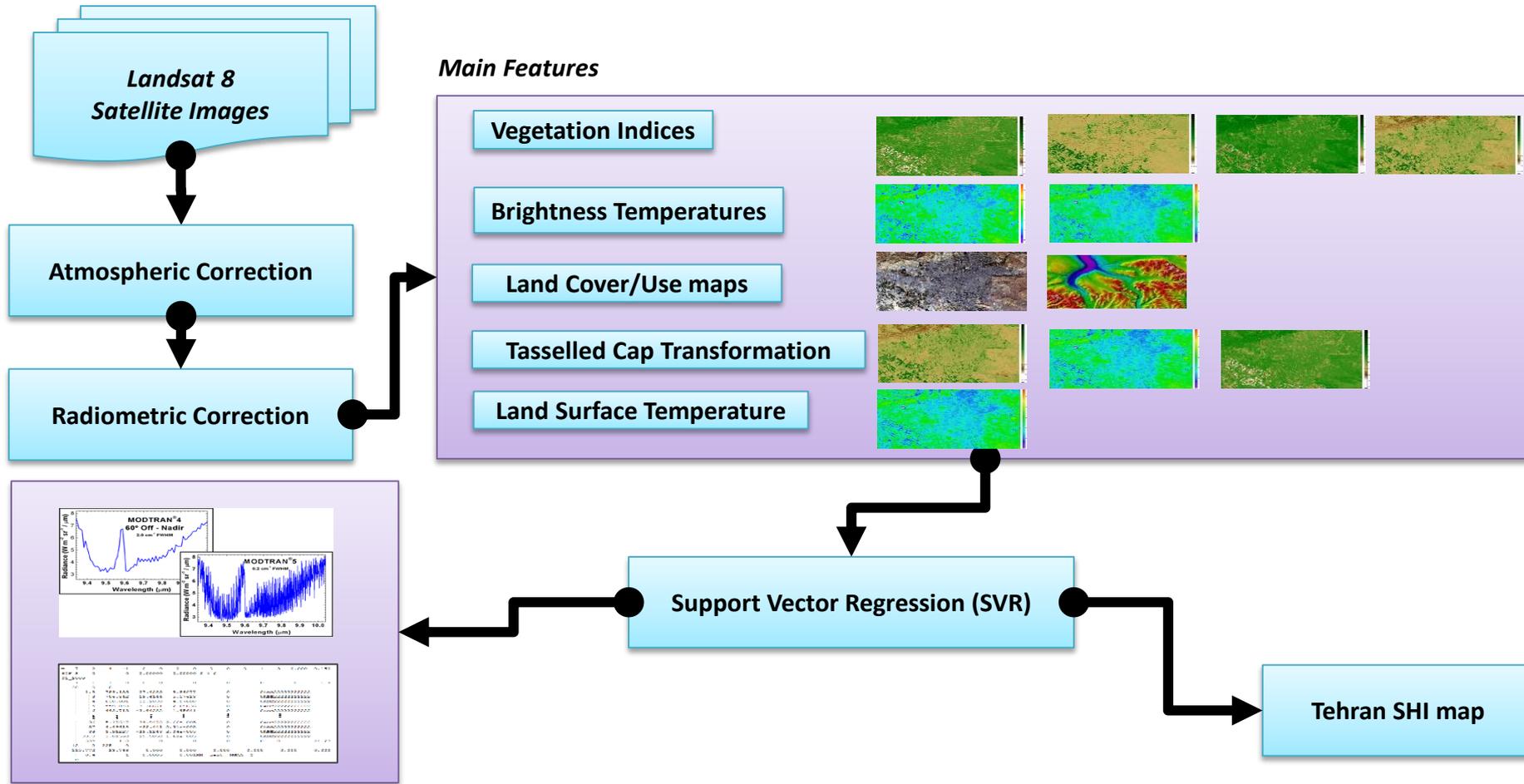


Bandpass wavelengths for Landsat 8 OLI and TIRS sensor, compared to Landsat 7 ETM+ sensor

Note: atmospheric transmission values for this graphic were calculated using MODTRAN for a summertime mid-latitude hazy atmosphere (circa 5 km visibility).

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## ✓ Urban Indices

No.	Name of urban index	Formulation
1	Normalized Difference Bareness Index (NDBaI)	$NDBaI = \frac{SWIR1 - TIRS1}{SWIR1 + TIRS1}$
2	Normalized Difference Build-up Index (NDBI)	$NDBI = \frac{SWIR1 - NIR}{SWIR1 + NIR}$
3	Bare Soil Index (BI)	$BI = \frac{(SWIR1 + RED) - (NIR + BLUE)}{(SWIR1 + RED) + (NIR + BLUE)}$
4	Urban Index (UI)	$UI = \frac{SWIR2 - NIR}{SWIR2 + NIR}$
5	Index-based Built-Up Index (IBI)	$IBI = \frac{\frac{2 \times SWIR1}{SWIR1 + NIR} - \left( \frac{NIR}{NIR + RED} - \frac{GREEN}{GREEN + SWIR1} \right)}{\frac{2 \times SWIR1}{SWIR1 + NIR} + \left( \frac{NIR}{NIR + RED} - \frac{GREEN}{GREEN + SWIR1} \right)}$
6	Enhanced Built-Up and Bareness Index (EBBI)	$EBBI = \frac{SWIR1 - NIR}{10\sqrt{SWIR1 + TIRS1}}$

## ✓ Vegetation Indices

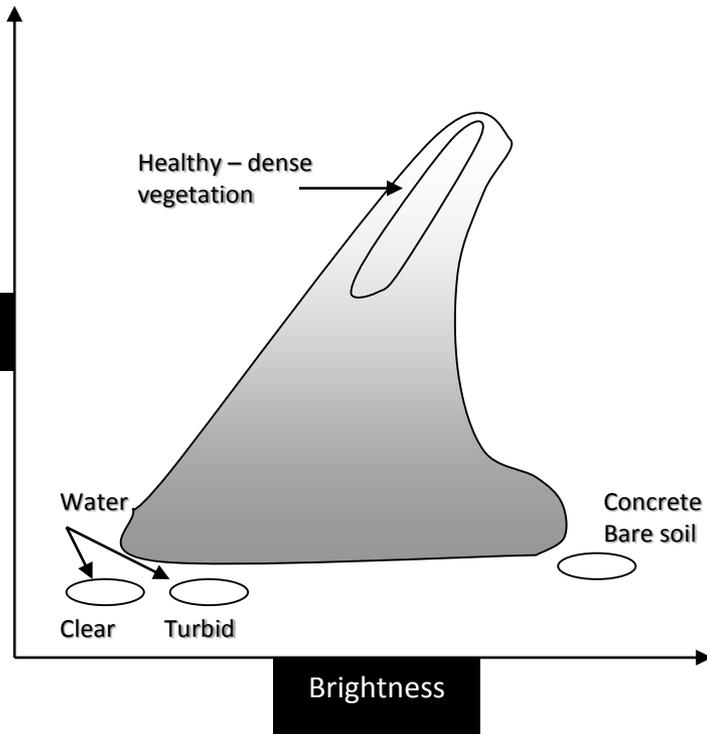
No.	Name of urban index	Formulation
1	Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)	$NDVI = \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + RED}$
2	Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI)	$EVI = G \times \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + C_1 \times RED - C_2 \times BLUE + L}$ $L = 1; C_1 = 6; C_2 = 7.5; G = 2.5$
3	Soil Adjusted Vegetation Index (SAVI)	$SAVI = \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + RED + L} \times (L + 1)$ $0 < L < 1 \Rightarrow L = 0.5$
4	Normalized Difference Water Index (NDWI)	$NDWI = \frac{NIR - SWIR1}{NIR + SWIR1}$
5	Modified Normalized Difference Water Index (MNDWI)	$MNDWI = \frac{GREEN - NIR}{GREEN + NIR}$
6	Tasselled Cap Transformation (TCT)	Brightness
7	Tasselled Cap Transformation (TCT)	Greenness
8	Tasselled Cap Transformation (TCT)	Wetness

## ✓ Tasseled Cap Transformation (TCT)

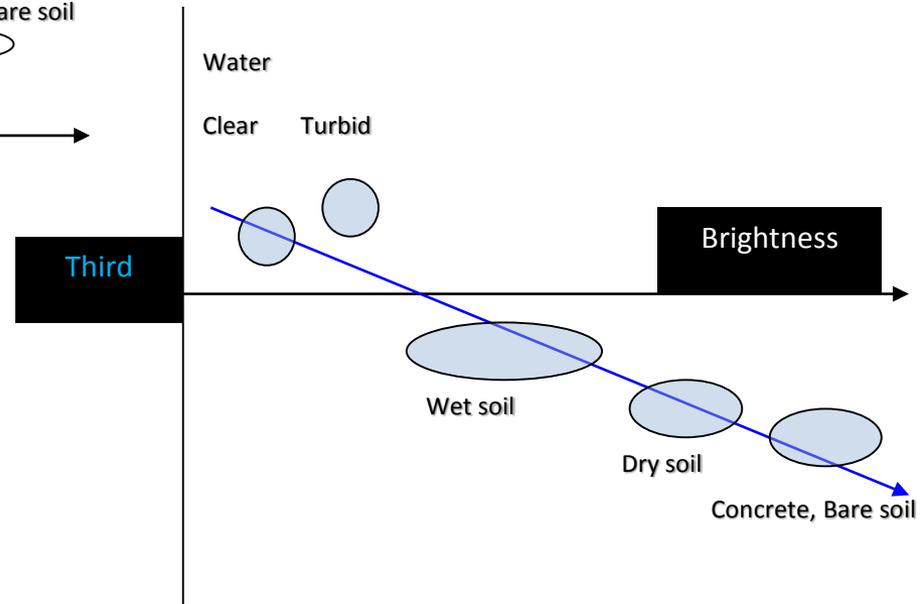
- Transforms a multi-band image into a series of images optimized for vegetation studies using coefficients specific to a particular sensor
- Images represent the “**brightness**”, “**greenness**”, and “**wetness**”
- Vegetation studies:
  - **brightness** is used to identify and measure soil
  - **greenness** is used to identify and measure vegetation
  - **wetness** is used to measure soli/vegetation moisture content



# Brightness – Greenness - Wetness



*Location for different land cover classes in the B-G spectral space*



# Epsilon Support Vector Regression ( $\epsilon$ -SVR)

- ✓ Given: a data set  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  with target values  $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ , we want to do  $\epsilon$ -SVR
- ✓ The optimization problem is

$$\text{Min } \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_i + \xi_i^*)$$

$$\text{subject to } \begin{cases} u_i - w^T x_i - b \leq \epsilon + \xi_i \\ w^T x_i + b - u_i \leq \epsilon + \xi_i^* \\ \xi_i \geq 0, \xi_i^* \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- ✓ Similar to SVM, this can be solved as a quadratic programming problem

- ✓  $C$  is a parameter to control the amount of influence of the **error**
- ✓ The  $\frac{1}{2}||\mathbf{w}'||^2$  term serves as controlling the **complexity** of the regression function
  - This is similar to ridge regression
- ✓ After training (solving the QP), we get values of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\alpha_i^*$ , which are both zero if  $\mathbf{x}_i$  does not contribute to the error function
- ✓ For a new data  $\mathbf{z}$ ,

$$f(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=1}^s (\alpha_{t_j} - \alpha_{t_j}^*) K(\mathbf{x}_{t_j}, \mathbf{z}) + b$$

## ✓ Strengths of SVR:

- No local minima
- It scales relatively well to high dimensional data
- Trade-off between classifier **complexity** and **error** can be controlled explicitly via **C** and **epsilon**
- Overfitting is avoided (for any fixed C and epsilon)
- Robustness of the results
- The “**curse of dimensionality**” is avoided
- “[Huber (1964) demonstrated that the best cost function over the worst model over any pdf of  $y$  given  $x$  is the linear cost function. Therefore, if the pdf  $p(y/x)$  is unknown the best cost function is the linear penalization over the errors” (Perez-Cruz et al., 2003)

## ✓ Weaknesses of SVR:

- What is the best trade-off parameter C and best epsilon?
- What is a good transformation of the original space

✓ *Gaussian radial basis function:*

$$K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \exp(-\gamma \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|^2)$$

✓ *Polynomial*

$$K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{x}_j)^d$$

# ***Experimental Result***

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✓ *Two Landsat 8 images from Tehran city area*

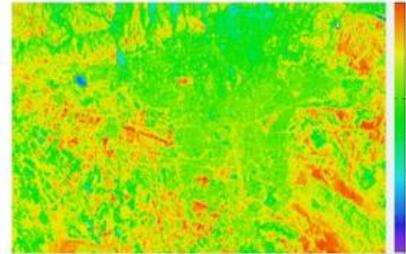
Dataset	Acquisition date	Area
#1	15-JUN-14	Tehran City
#2	08-DEC-14	Tehran City

# Experimental Result

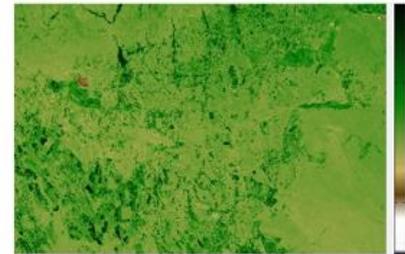
## Urban, vegetation and TCT indices for dataset #1



RGB



LST



NDVI



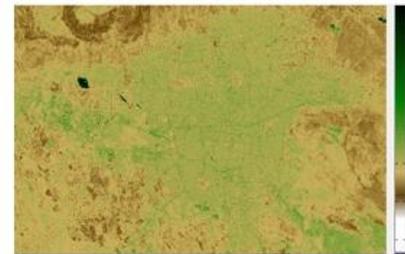
EVI



SAVI



NDWI



MNDWI



NDBI



NDBaI



Brightness



Greenness



Wetness



BI



UI



IBI



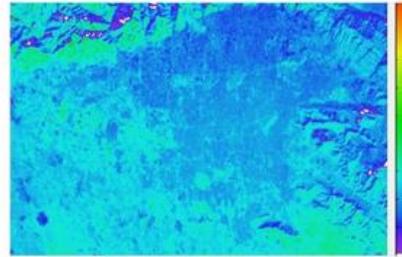
EBBI

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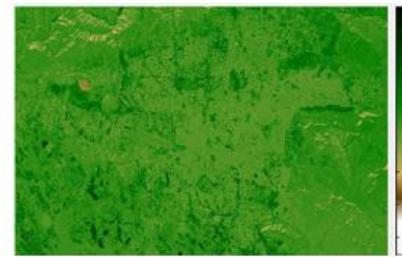
Urban, vegetation and TCT indices for dataset #2



RGB



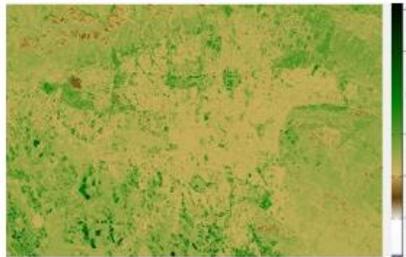
LST



NDVI



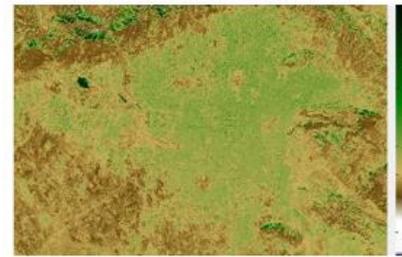
EVI



SAVI



NDWI



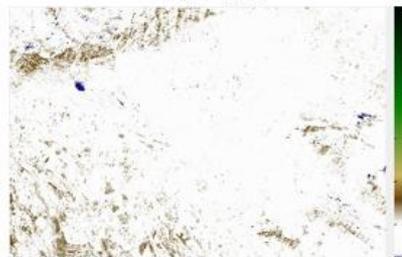
MNDWI



NDBI



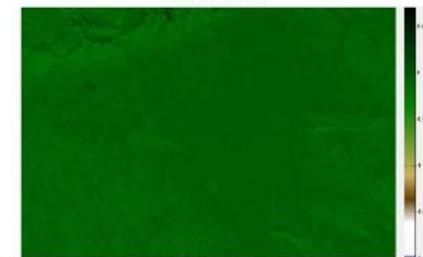
NDBaI



Brightness



Greenness



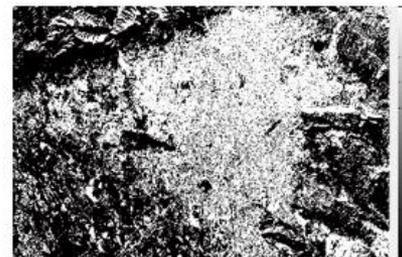
Wetness



BI



UI



IBI



EBBI

## ✓ Model selection in SVR

$SHI = f(NDVI, EVI, SAVI, NDWI, MNDWI, Brightness, Greenness, Wetness, NDBaI, NDBI, BI, UI, IBI, EBBI)$

$$C = \max(\text{Training data}) - \min(\text{Training data})$$

- ✓ A simple tool to check a grid of parameters is provided by cross-validation (CV) error (i.e. mean square error (MSE)) with 5-fold. Range of grid search method for estimating  $\varepsilon$  parameter is  $[0, 5]$  and for  $\gamma$  RBF parameter is  $[2^{-7}, 2^7]$ .

# Experimental Result

## Optimum SVR parameters estimation for dataset #1 with $C=22.4013$

	$\epsilon = 0$	1	2	3	4	5
$\gamma = 2^{-7}$	8.9248	8.9647	9.044	9.2615	9.4912	9.8826
$2^{-6}$	8.1931	8.302	8.4365	8.8251	9.0959	9.6601
$2^{-5}$	7.2267	7.3276	7.672	8.1622	8.5831	9.2708
$2^{-4}$	5.8522	5.9942	6.6195	7.2668	7.9778	8.76
$2^{-3}$	3.9949	4.4532	5.2895	6.2399	7.2854	8.105
$2^{-2}$	2.372	2.9398	3.9742	5.2427	6.397	7.4099
$2^{-1}$	1.5473	2.1104	3.174	4.4679	5.7297	6.8946
$2^0$	1.4013	1.801	2.8437	4.0502	5.4578	6.598
$2^1$	<b>1.3833</b>	1.6836	2.552	3.7709	5.1794	6.5787
$2^2$	1.5092	1.6205	2.4686	3.7119	5.2035	6.759
$2^3$	1.7264	1.8258	2.6858	3.9737	5.3606	7.1223
$2^4$	1.9631	2.2332	3.2883	4.468	5.9297	7.6059
$2^5$	2.4885	2.9571	4.2283	5.5619	6.9744	8.2201
$2^6$	3.554	4.1001	5.4872	6.8119	8.1602	9.2165
$2^7$	5.1897	5.94	7.131	8.2575	9.3713	10.3855

# Experimental Result

## Optimum SVR parameters estimation for dataset #2 with $C=15.1443$

	$\epsilon = 0$	1	2	3	4	5
$\gamma = 2^{-7}$	3.5728	3.6203	3.7465	3.9453	4.2763	4.9328
$2^{-6}$	3.2757	3.3461	3.5428	3.8146	4.1926	4.8525
$2^{-5}$	2.8064	2.9516	3.2566	3.6565	4.0248	4.6816
$2^{-4}$	2.1372	2.3853	2.873	3.4025	3.8541	4.633
$2^{-3}$	1.3728	1.7408	2.3534	3.1273	3.6953	4.4949
$2^{-2}$	0.8369	1.214	1.9527	2.8148	3.6012	4.3988
$2^{-1}$	0.6188	0.9288	1.6741	2.5687	3.51	4.3752
$2^0$	<b>0.552</b>	0.7768	1.495	2.4868	3.3917	4.4282
$2^1$	0.5736	0.7643	1.4816	2.4259	3.3971	4.624
$2^2$	0.6387	0.8361	1.5391	2.4159	3.5788	4.9251
$2^3$	0.7551	0.9701	1.7051	2.7299	3.7836	5.0233
$2^4$	0.9101	1.1954	2.0664	3.0564	4.0309	5.0652
$2^5$	1.2115	1.5772	2.4113	3.3655	4.1731	5.2
$2^6$	1.6435	2.0494	2.8103	3.6314	4.4022	5.3901
$2^7$	2.2376	2.6204	3.2666	3.9472	4.6724	5.6117

# Experimental Result

*The performance of final SVR model for dataset #1*

	MSE	NRMS	R <sup>2</sup>
Training	0.7507	0.2424	0.9442
Test	1.1155	0.3053	0.9100

*The performance of final SVR model for dataset #2*

	MSE	NRMS	R <sup>2</sup>
Training	0.4307	0.3035	0.9113
Test	0.4546	0.3113	0.9051

# ***Conclusion***

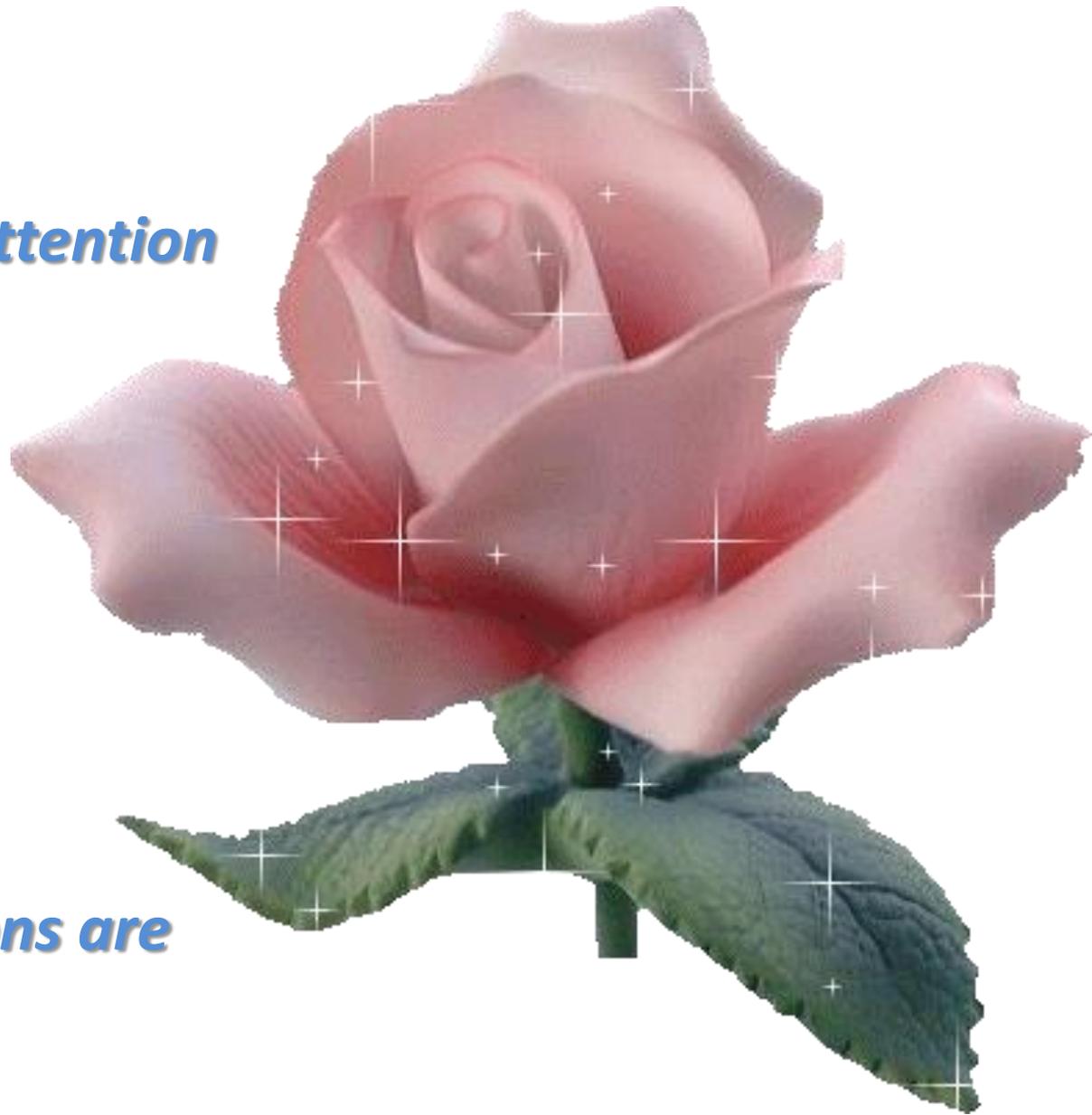
# Conclusion

- ✓ *All range of Landsat 8 spectral bands have been used for estimating SHI of Tehran city, especially thermal bands.*
- ✓ *In this study, urban indices including NDBaI, NDBI, BI, UI, IBI and EBBI have been calculated using recent urban parameters and factors.*
- ✓ *In addition, for better investigating vegetation factors, more common vegetation and water indices including NDVI, EVI, SAVI, NDWI and MNDWI behind TCT information including Brightness, Greenness and Wetness have been used.*
- ✓ *By utilizing these information and indices modeling and monitoring of SHI are more feasible. Also as part of this study, the powerful regression model, the SVR is used to monitor SHI variation in two different time (dataset #1 and #2) from summer to winter.*
- ✓ *Incorporating this procedure revealed that there is high degree of consistency between affected information and LST images (MSE=0.75 for dataset #1 and MSE=0.43 for dataset #2).*

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