



Landsat Data Continuity Mission On-orbit Calibration and Validation Development

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Outline

- Overview of Government Calibration and Validation Team
- Overview of Ground System
- Development of Cal/Val tools
- Current Status



Government Calibration and Validation Team (CVT)

- Made up of both NASA GSFC and USGS EROS personnel
- Lead by NASA prior to commissioning
 - Pre-launch calibration
- On-orbit operations turned over to USGS
 - Continued monitoring throughout mission life



Calibration and Validation Functions

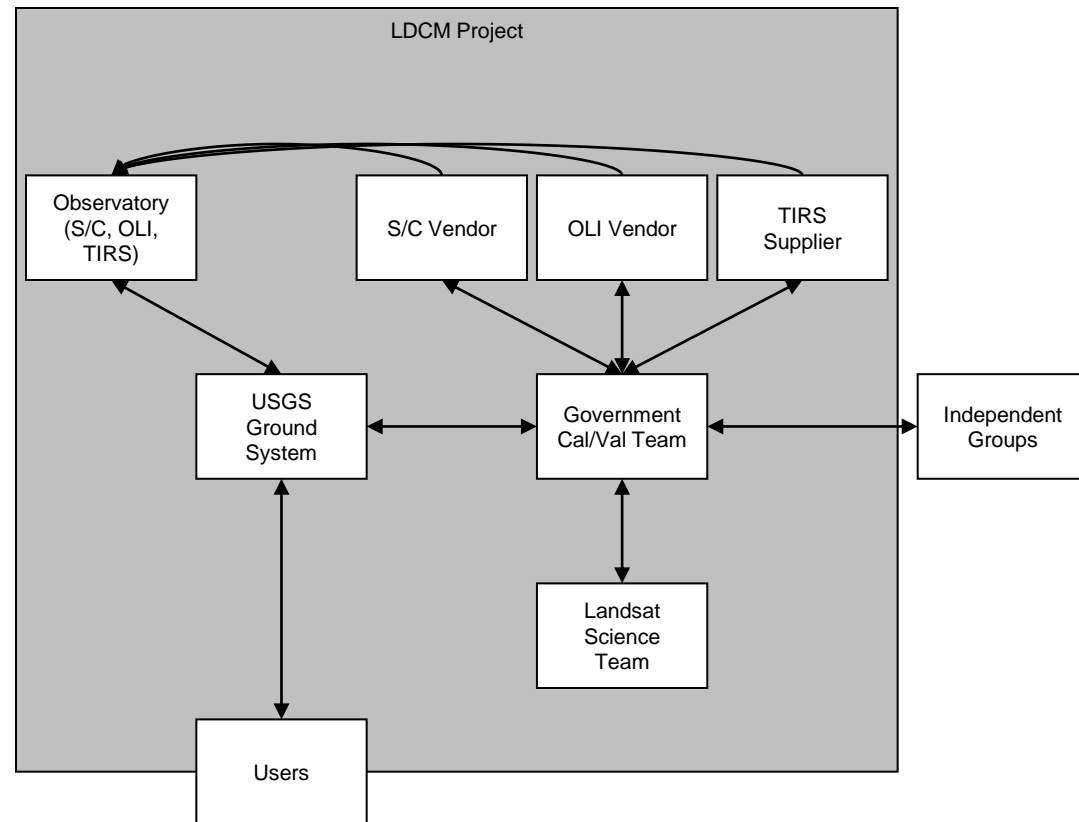
- Oversight and coordination of Cal/Val activities
 - Covers portions of ground system, spacecraft, instruments and other external entities
- Algorithm development
 - Review instrument provider algorithms
 - Deliver algorithms to ground system developers
 - Data processing, characterization and calibration
 - OLI and TIRS data simulators

Calibration and Validation Functions

- Instrument performance characterization
 - Pre-launch, on-orbit checkout and on-orbit operations
 - Supports instrument acceptance
- Calibration parameter determination & validation
 - Pre-commissioning validation of vendor provided parameters
 - Validated parameters ensure quality products
 - Determine parameters during operations
- Independent calibration verification and calibration continuity
 - Ensures traceability and continuity with historical products
- Product performance characterization
 - Reports for science and user community
- Anomaly resolution
 - Includes anomalies in product generation and image assessment
 - Supports observatory and other anomaly resolution

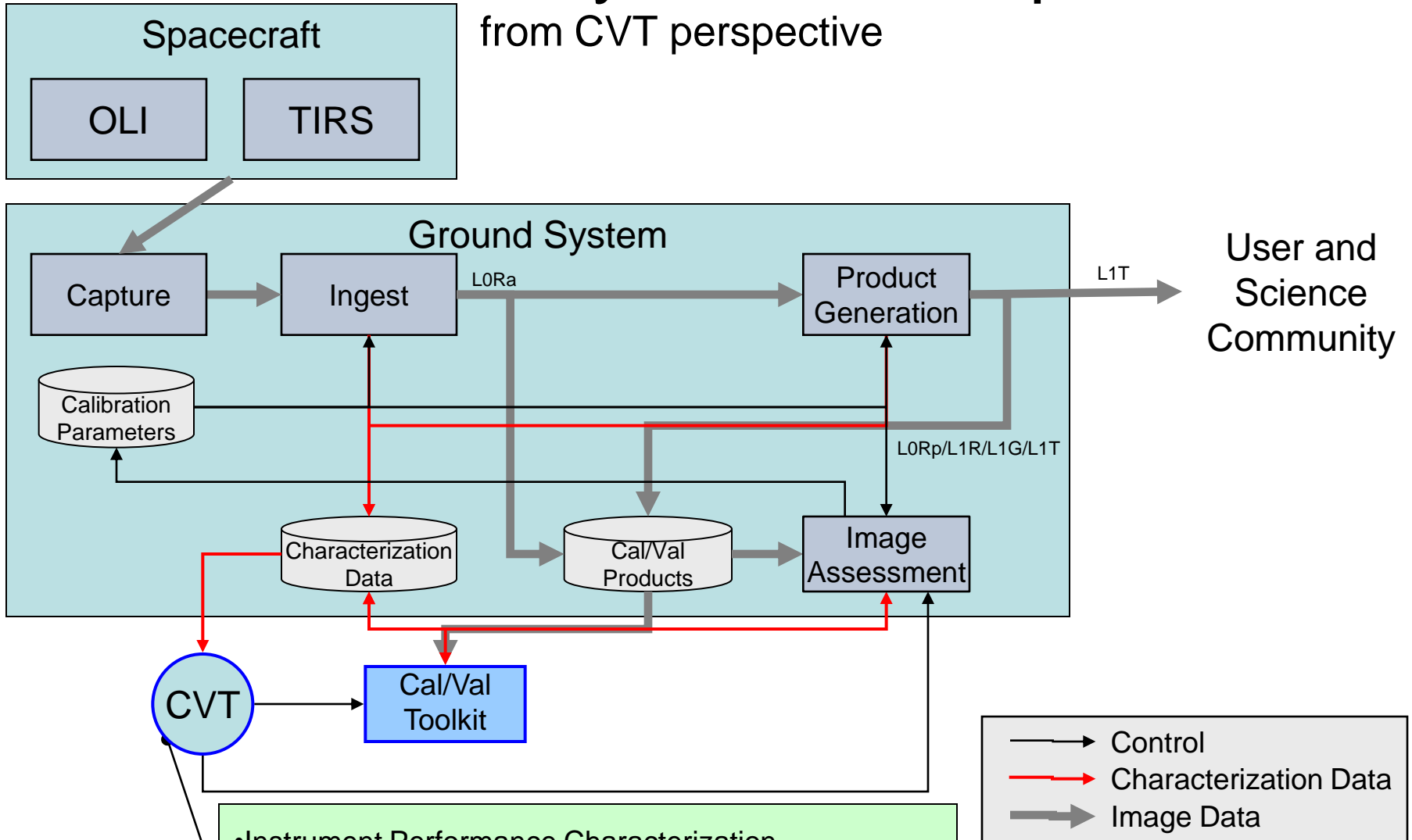
Cal/Val Interfaces During Development

- Vendor/Supplier
 - OLI
 - TIRS
 - Spacecraft
- Ground System
 - Data Processing and Archive System
- Landsat Science Team
- Independent Groups
 - Vicarious Calibration



Ground System Concept

from CVT perspective



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- Instrument Performance Characterization
- Calibration Parameter Determination and Validation
- Product Performance Characterization
- Anomaly Resolution

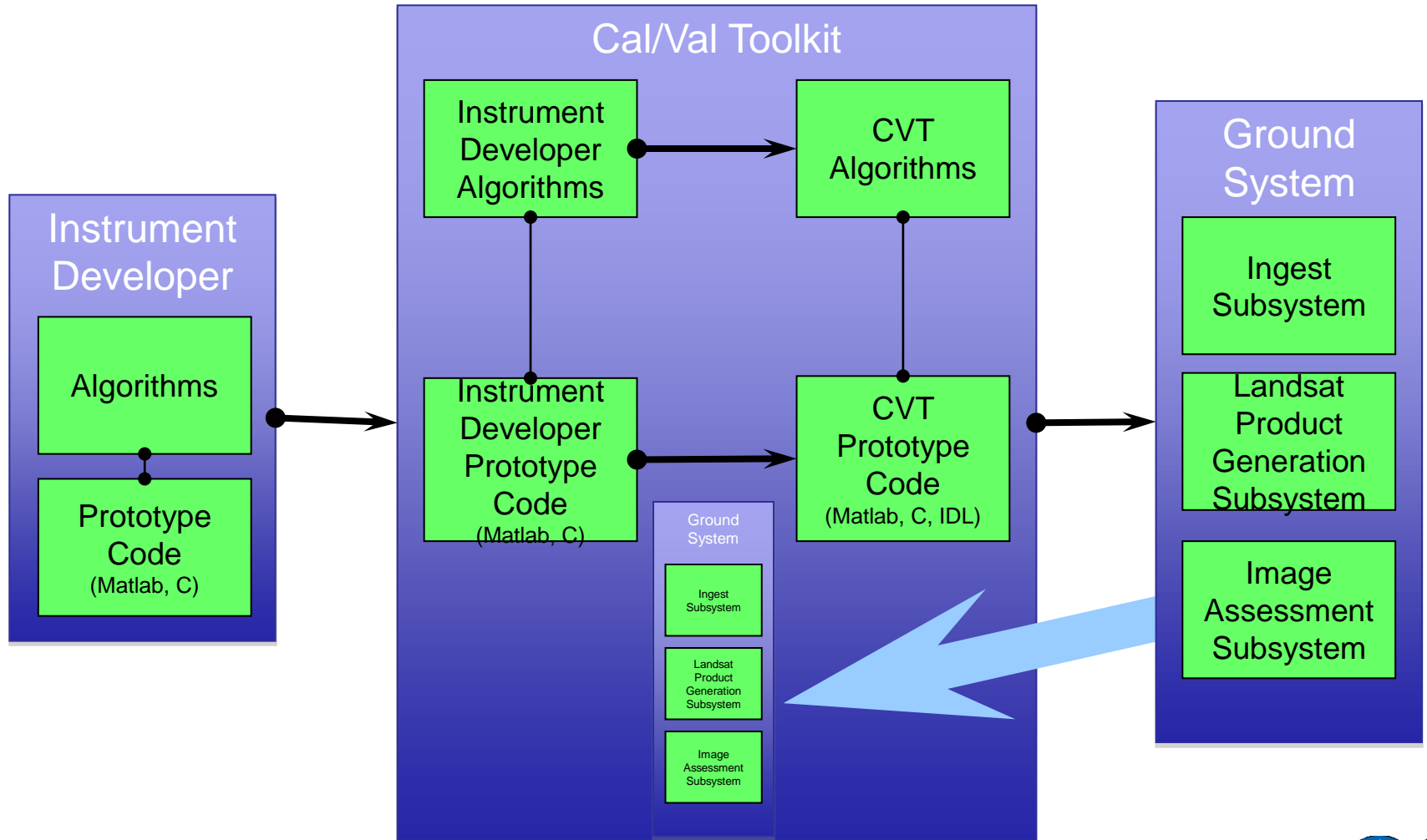


Calibration and Validation Toolkit

- **Description**
 - Mixture of different languages (C, Matlab, IDL, Excel)
 - Configuration controlled by CVT using Subversion
 - Analyst intensive, low efficiency, non-operational code
- **Uses**
 - Validate algorithms and verify ground system implementation
 - Improve algorithm functionality
 - Investigate processing and instrument anomalies
 - Support instrument acceptance
- **Contains working copies of all algorithms**
 - Instrument provider algorithm baseline
 - Ground system algorithm baseline (ingest, product generation, image assessment)
 - Algorithm prototyping/working versions, including algorithms not implemented in the ground system



Cal/Val Tool Development



Phased Algorithm Development

- **Algorithm delivery synchronized with instrument and ground system major reviews**

- ☑ Phase 1

- Includes brief descriptions
 - Supports ground system preliminary design

- ☑ Phase 2

- Based on preliminary provider algorithm descriptions
 - Supports ground system detailed design

- ☑ Phase 3

- Based on instrument testing
 - Supports ground system implementation

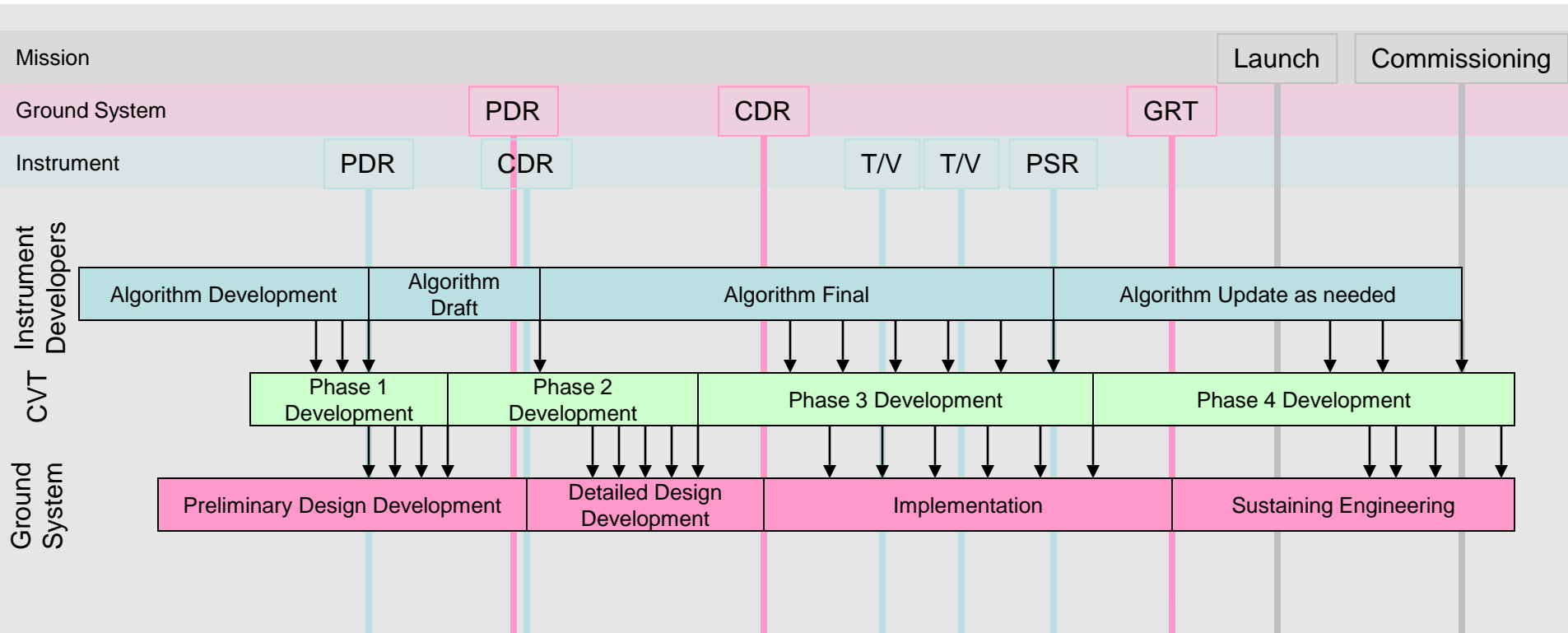
- Phase 4

- Based on on-orbit instrument analysis
 - Supports post-launch ground system update

Section	Alg. Delivery Phase			
	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0
Background	x	x	x	x
Inputs	x	x	x	x
Outputs	x	x	x	x
Maturity	x	x	x	x
Procedure		x	x	x
Prototype			x	x
Test Data			x	x
Verification			x	x



Relational Schedule



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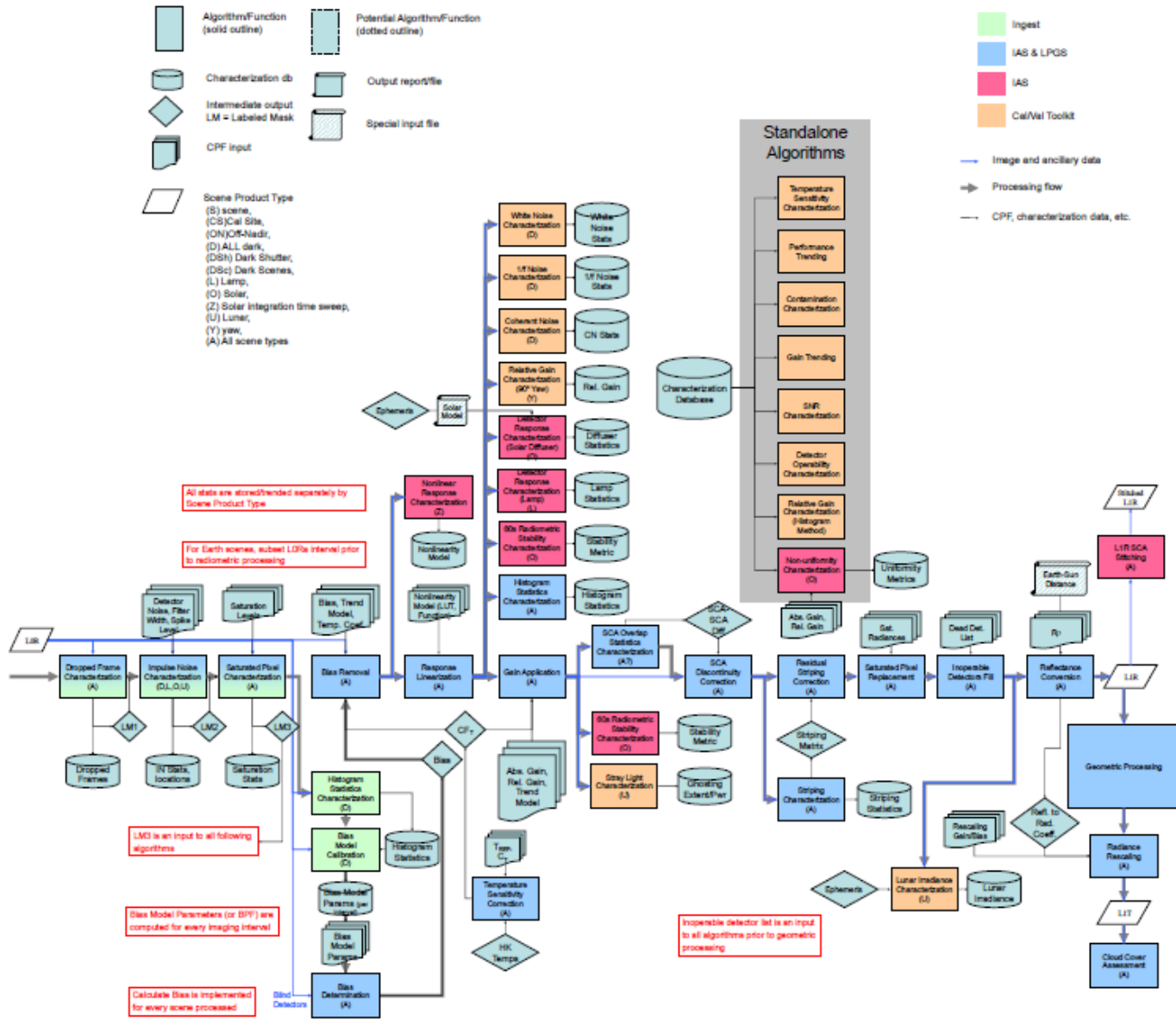
CALCON Technical Conference



Current Status

- Algorithms received from instrument providers
- Algorithms delivered to ground system developers
- Initial release of image assessment subsystem completed
 - Only minor issues remain to be resolved with second release
- One more image assessment release to go
 - Lower priority algorithms
 - Changes found during testing





In-line Characterization Algorithms

- ✓ Dropped Frame Characterization
- ✓ Impulse Noise Characterization
- ✓ Saturated Pixel Characterization
- ✓ Histogram Statistics Characterization
- ✓ SCA Overlap Statistics Characterization
- Striping Characterization

Off-line Characterization Algorithms

- White Noise Characterization
- 1/f Noise Characterization
- Coherent Noise Characterization
- Relative Gain Characterization
 - Side Slither and Histogram Method
- ✓ Detector Response Characterization
 - Solar Diffuser and Internal Lamp
- ✓ Radiometric Stability Characterization
- Nonlinear Response Characterization
- Lunar Irradiance Characterization



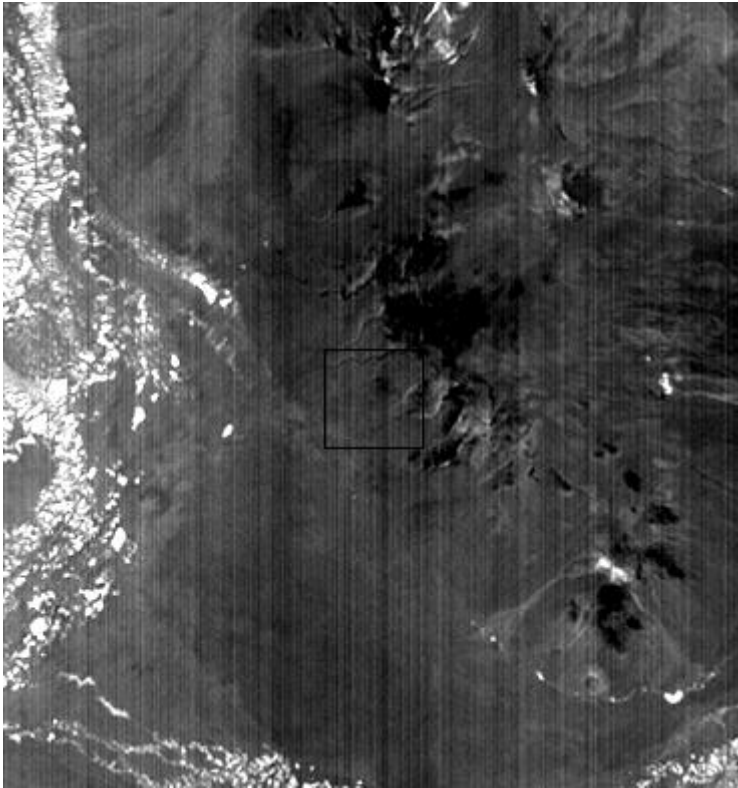
Processing Algorithms

- ✓ Bias Removal
 - Bias Model Calibration
 - Bias Determination
- ✓ Response Linearization
- ✓ Gain Application
- SCA Discontinuity Correction
- Residual Striping Correction
- Saturated Pixel Replacement
- Inoperable Detectors Fill
- ✓ Reflectance Conversion

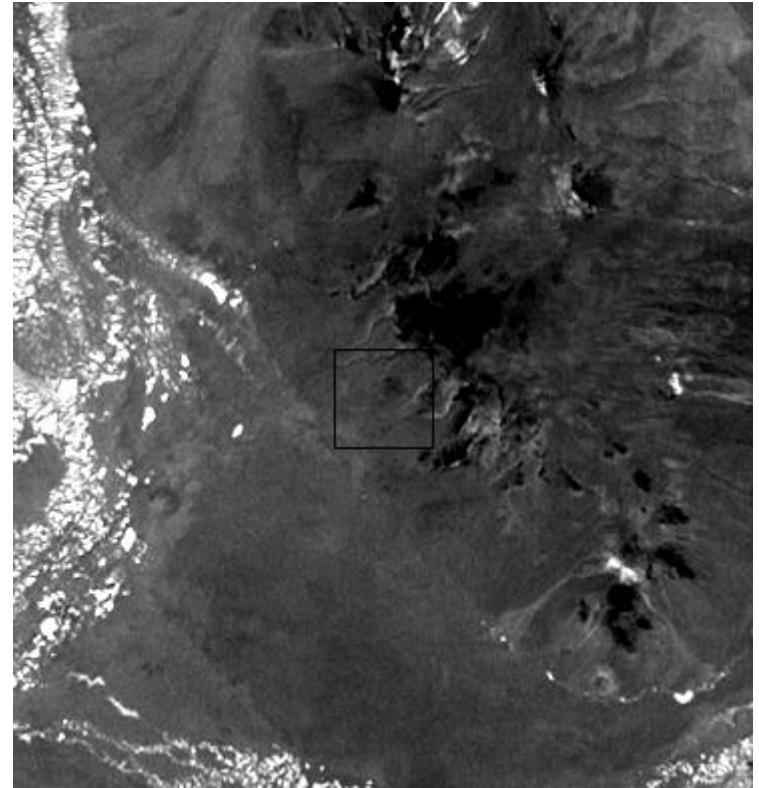


Initial Image Assessment Subsystem

Level 0R



Level 1R



Example of radiometric processing to generate floating point Level 1R
“product” for band 1, SCA 1