# ATCOR<sup>®</sup> - 2/3/4

## **Atmospheric & Topographic Correction**

The ATCOR software derives surface reflectance, emissivity, and temperature from calibrated images by atmospheric and topographic correction. The model is applicable to all optical remote sensing systems with special focus on imaging spectroscopy data:

- ATCOR-2: small and medium FOV satellite imagery, flat terrain,
- ATCOR-3: small and medium FOV satellite imagery, for rugged terrain (see figure), and
- ATCOR-4: wide FOV airborne imagery, all terrain.



Atmospheric / topographic correction of Landsat imagery using ATCOR-3

#### **Complete Solution**

ATCOR is the only software suite available on the market which includes the capability for radiometric correction in rugged terrain considering cast shadow and illumination calculations. It is based on the reliable MODTRAN<sup>®</sup> 5 radiative transfer code.

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#### **Fully Featured**

- Complete graphical interface for the atmospheric & topographic correction based on IDL (ITT Vis),
- based on ENVI file formats
- batch processing and logging capabilities for operational processing,
- using high-accuracy MODTRAN<sup>®</sup> 5 radiative transfer calculations,
- ATCOR-2/3 support for Landsat, SPOT, IRS sensors, MERIS, ASTER, ALI, DMC, Ikonos, Quickbird, Orbview, Worldview-2, RapidEye, THEOS, and more.
- ATCOR -3 hyperspectral option for CHRIS, Hyperion, and others.
- ATCOR-4 support for airborne multispectral and hyperspectral instruments as defined by user (by generic sensor-definition interface),
- automatic aerosol type and aerosol optical thickness (visibility) retrieval,
- flexible water vapor retrieval,
- removal of haze, cloud shadow, and cirrus clouds,
- capability for in-flight vicarious radiometric and spectral calibration,
- sensor simulation tool for at-sensor radiance cube from reflectance
- imagery,preview-checks of spectra,
- correction for spectral smile,
- BRDF correction (BREFCOR method).



Radiance components considered in ATCOR

### Requirements

- IDL version 8.0 or higher or the free IDL Virtual Machine from Exelis VIS,
- Linux, Mac OS-X, or Windows (64bit recommended),
- RAM: min. 4GB allocated to IDL,
- ENVI™ license recommended, but not a condition.



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