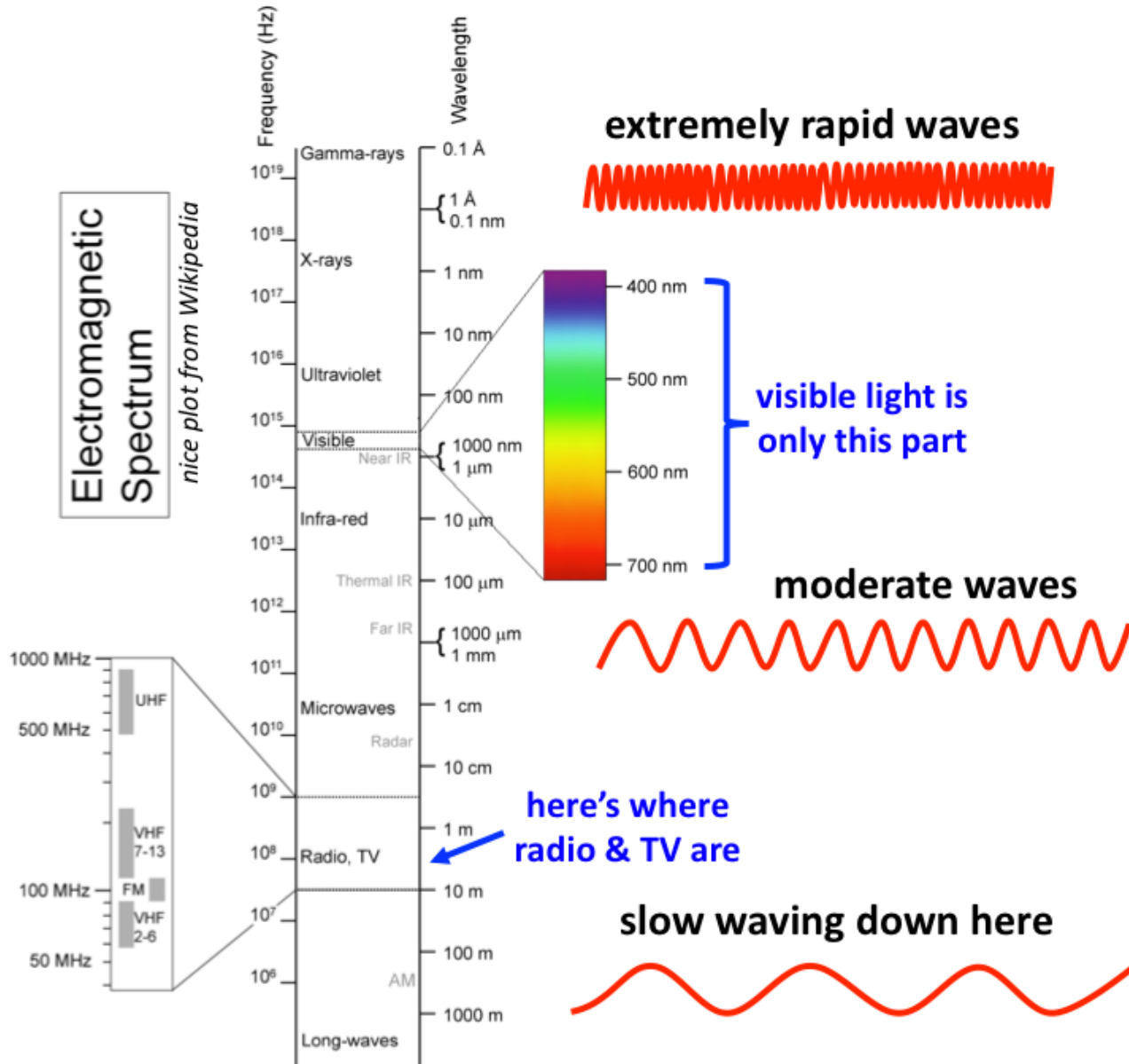


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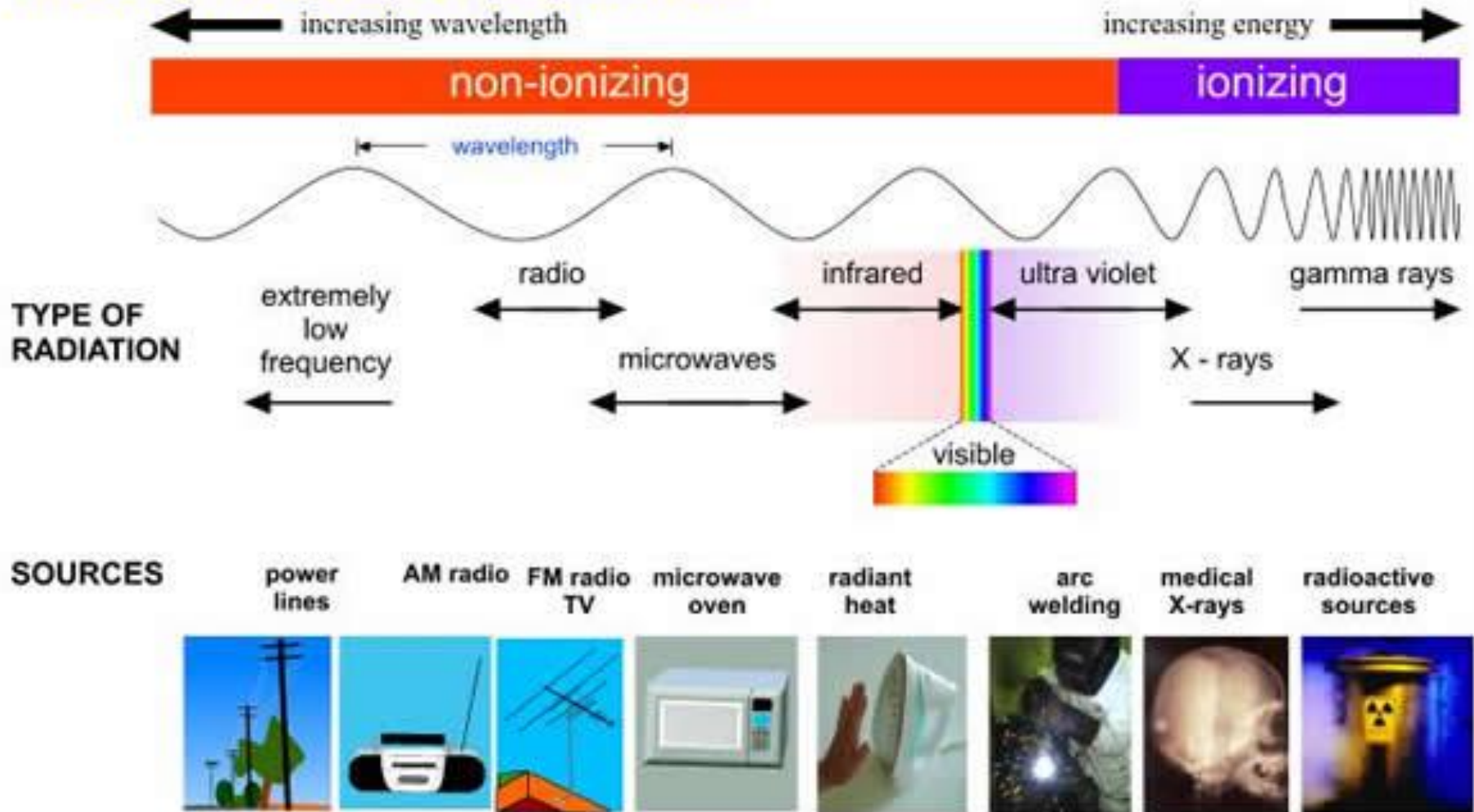
# **SPECTRAL PROPERTIES OF MINERALS AND ROCKS**

# Light: Electromagnetic Radiation



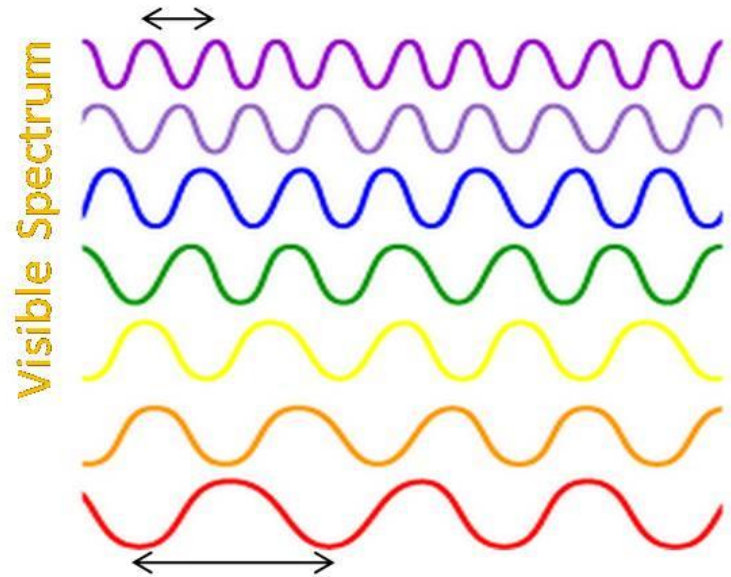
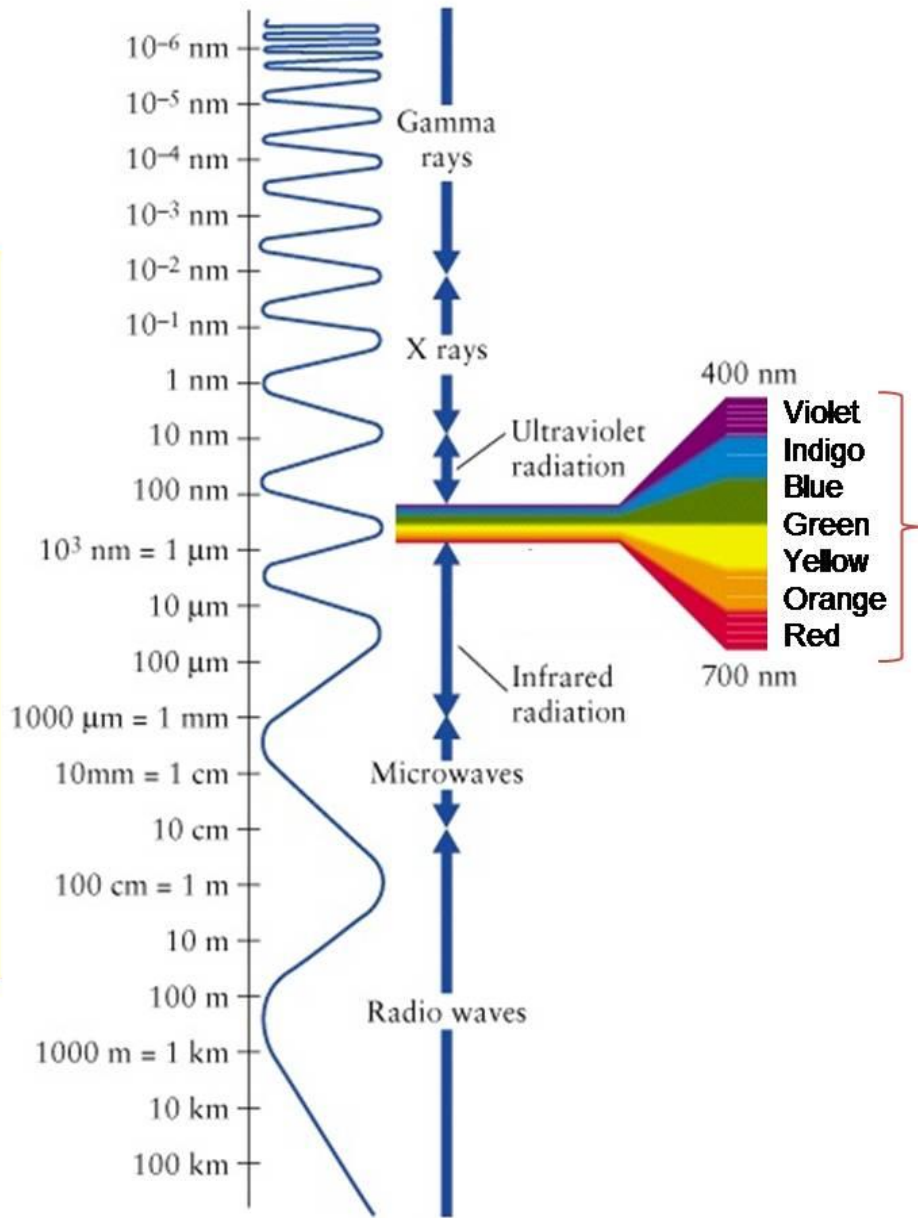
waves are not drawn to scale: that would be IMPOSSIBLE!

# THE ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM



shortest wavelength

Electromagnetic Spectrum



Visible Spectrum

**Red light has the longest wavelength.**  
**Violet light has the shortest wavelength.**  
**Wavelength: distance between two consecutive crests or troughs of a wave**

longest wavelength



# 1. Introduction

- Spectroscopy is the study of light as a function of wavelength that has been **emitted, reflected or scattered** from a solid, liquid, or gas.
- The spectroscopy of minerals, but the principles apply to any material.
- Adams (1975), Hunt (1977), Farmer (1974), Hunt (1982); Clark and Roush (1984), Clark et al. (1990a), Gaffey et al. (1993), Salisbury (1993), and references in those papers for more details.

## 1.2 Absorption and Scattering.

- As photons enter a mineral, some are **reflected** from grain surfaces, some **pass through** the grain, and some are **absorbed**. Those photons that are reflected from grain surfaces or refracted through a particle are said to be scattered.
- All natural surfaces emit photons when they are above absolute zero. Emitted photons are subject to the same **physical laws of reflection, refraction, and absorption** to which incident photons are bound.
- Photons are absorbed in minerals by several processes. The variety of absorption processes and their wavelength dependence allows us to derive information about the chemistry of a mineral from its reflected or emitted light.

➤ **The human eye is a crude reflectance spectrometer:**

we can look at a surface and see color. Our eyes and brain are processing the wavelength-dependent scattering of visible-light photons to reveal something about what we are observing, like the red color of hematite or the green color of olivine.

➤ A modern spectrometer, however, can measure finer details over a broader wavelength range and with greater precision. Thus, a spectrometer can measure absorptions due to more processes than can be seen with the eye.

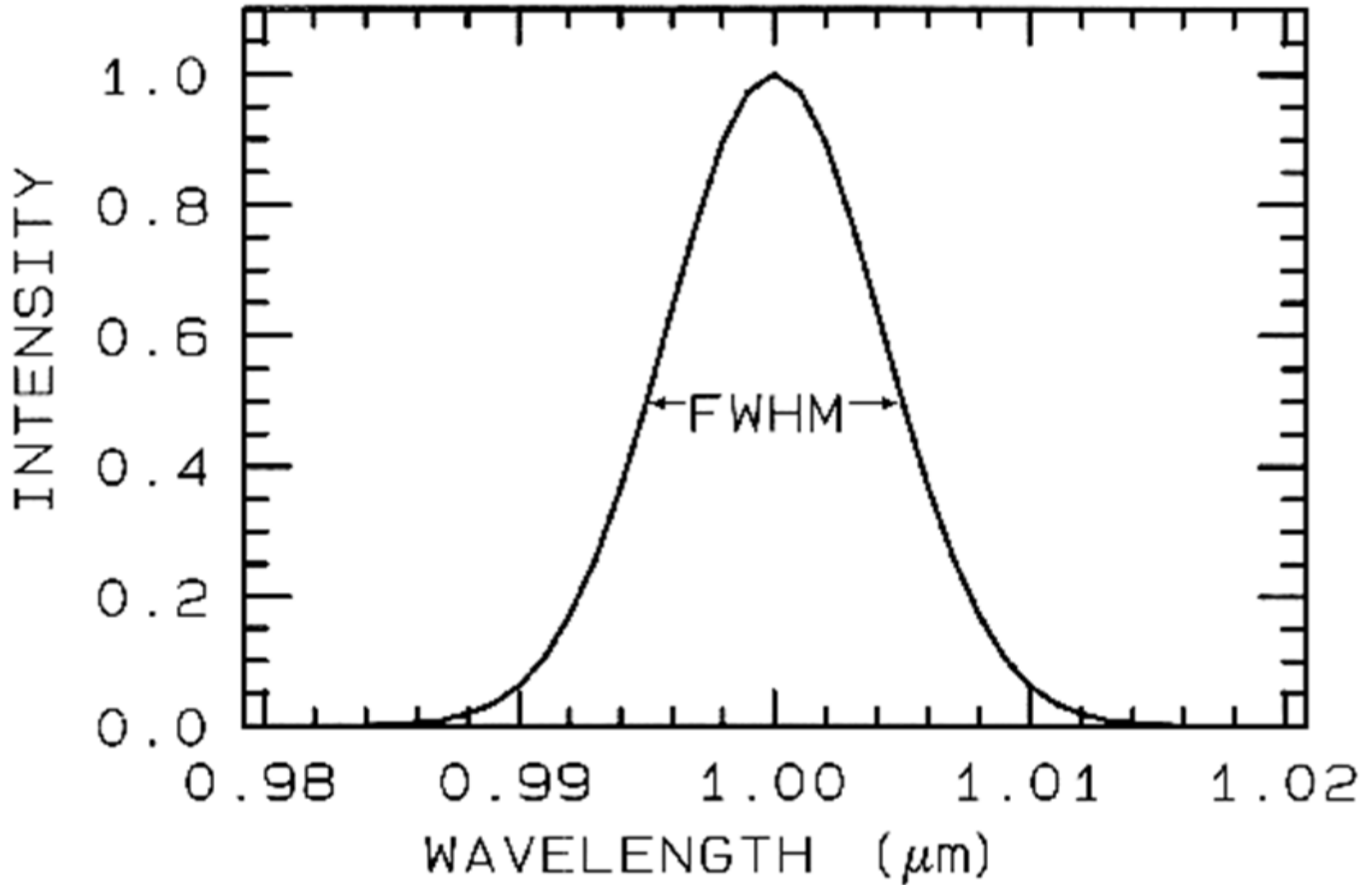
## 1.3 Spectroscopy Terms.

There are 4 general parameters that describe the capability of a spectrometer:

- 1) **Spectral range,**
- 2) **Spectral bandwidth,**
- 3) **Spectral sampling, and**
- 4) **Signal-to-noise ratio (S/N).**

Spectral range is important to cover enough diagnostic spectral absorptions to solve a desired problem. There are general spectral ranges that are in common use, each to first order controlled by detector technology:

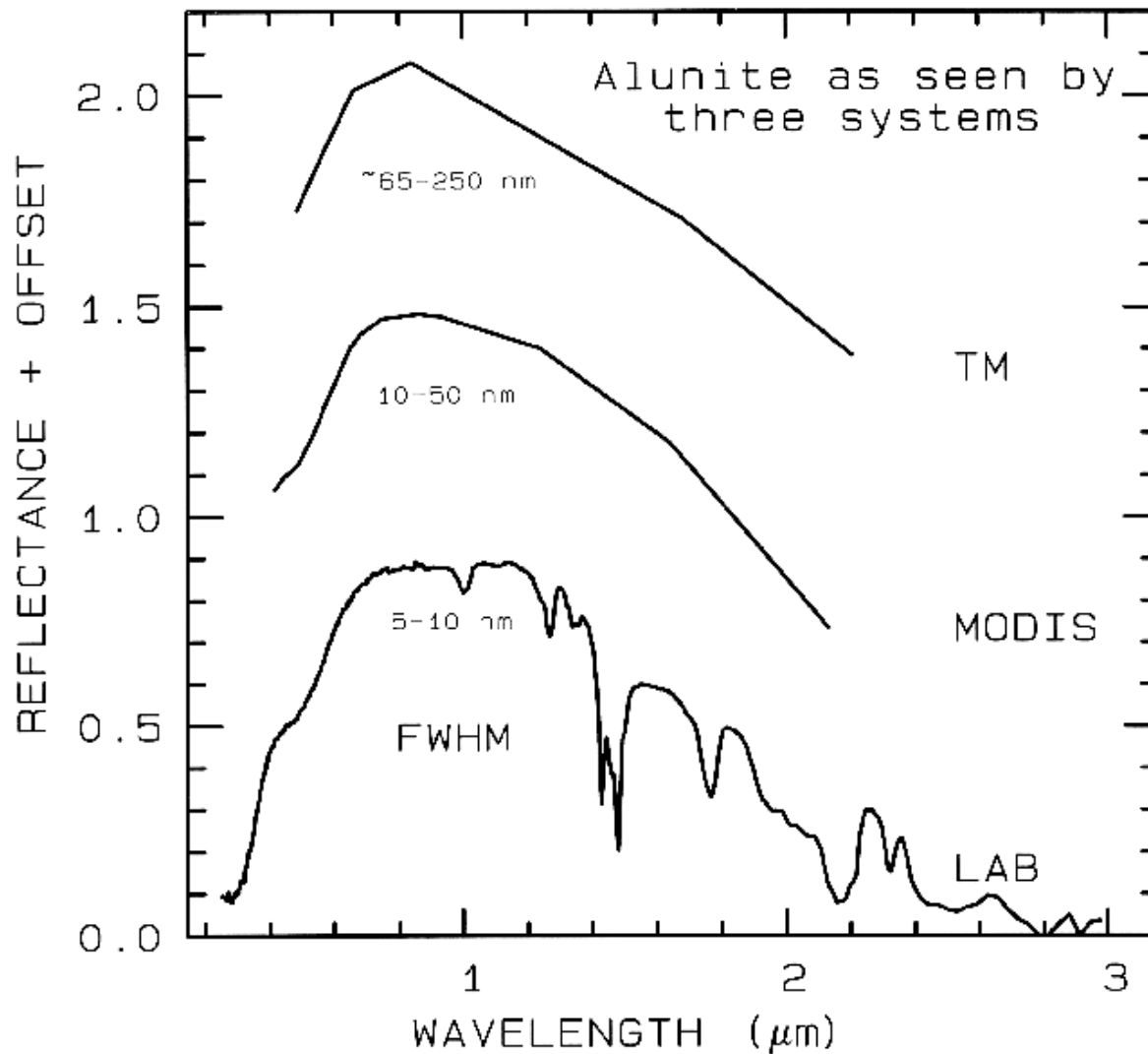
- a) **Ultraviolet (UV): 0.001 to 0.4  $\mu\text{m}$ ,**
- b) **Visible: 0.4 to 0.7  $\mu\text{m}$ ,**
- c) **Near-infrared (NIR): 0.7 to 3.0  $\mu\text{m}$ ,**
- d) **The Mid-infrared (MIR): 3.0 to 30  $\mu\text{m}$ , and**
- e) **The Far infrared (FIR): 30  $\mu\text{m}$  to 1 mm**



**Spectral bandwidth** - Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM)

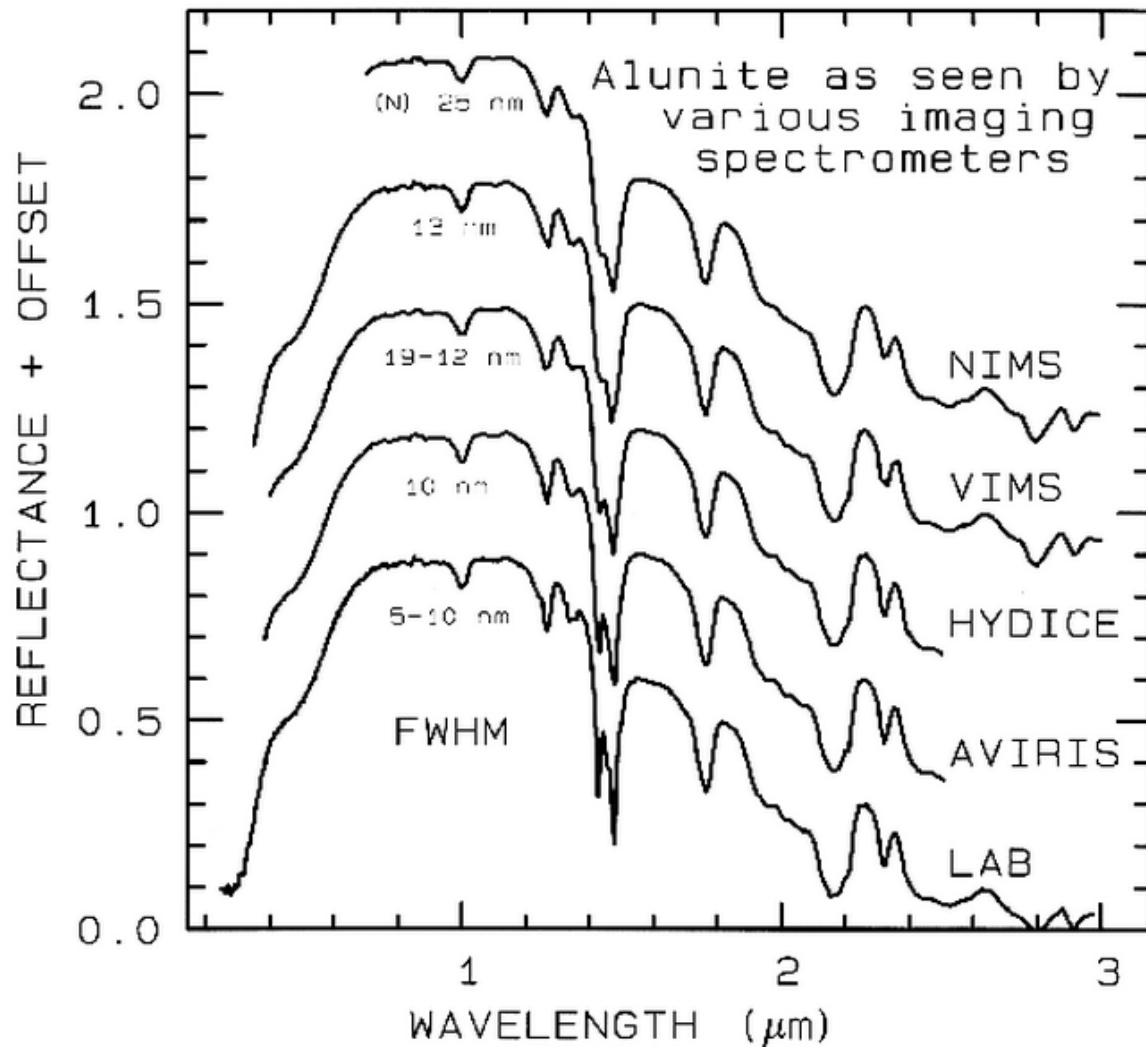
- The signal-to-noise ratio (S/N) required to solve a particular problem will depend on the strength of the spectral features under study.
- The S/N is dependent on the **detector sensitivity, the spectral bandwidth, and intensity of the light reflected or emitted** from the surface being measured.
- The ~0.4 to 1.0- $\mu\text{m}$  (micro meter) wavelength range is sometimes referred to in the remote sensing literature as the **VNIR (visible-near-infrared)** and the 1.0 to 2.5- $\mu\text{m}$  range is sometimes referred to as the **SWIR (short-wave infrared)**.
- The **mid-infrared** covers thermally emitted energy, which for the Earth starts at about 2.5 to 3  $\mu\text{m}$ , peaking near 10  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- Spectral bandwidth is the width of an individual spectral channel in the spectrometer. The narrower the spectral bandwidth, the narrower the absorption feature the spectrometer will accurately measure, if enough adjacent spectral samples are obtained.





*Figure 1a. Spectra of the mineral alunite is shown as measured in the laboratory and for broad-band remote sensing instruments.*

*Each spectrum is offset upward 0.6 units from the one below it for clarity.*



*Figure 1b. Spectra of the mineral alunite is shown as measured in the laboratory and for some imaging spectrometers, the NIMS and VIMS systems measure to 5  $\mu\text{m}$ .*

*Each spectrum is offset upward 0.3 units from the one below it for clarity.*

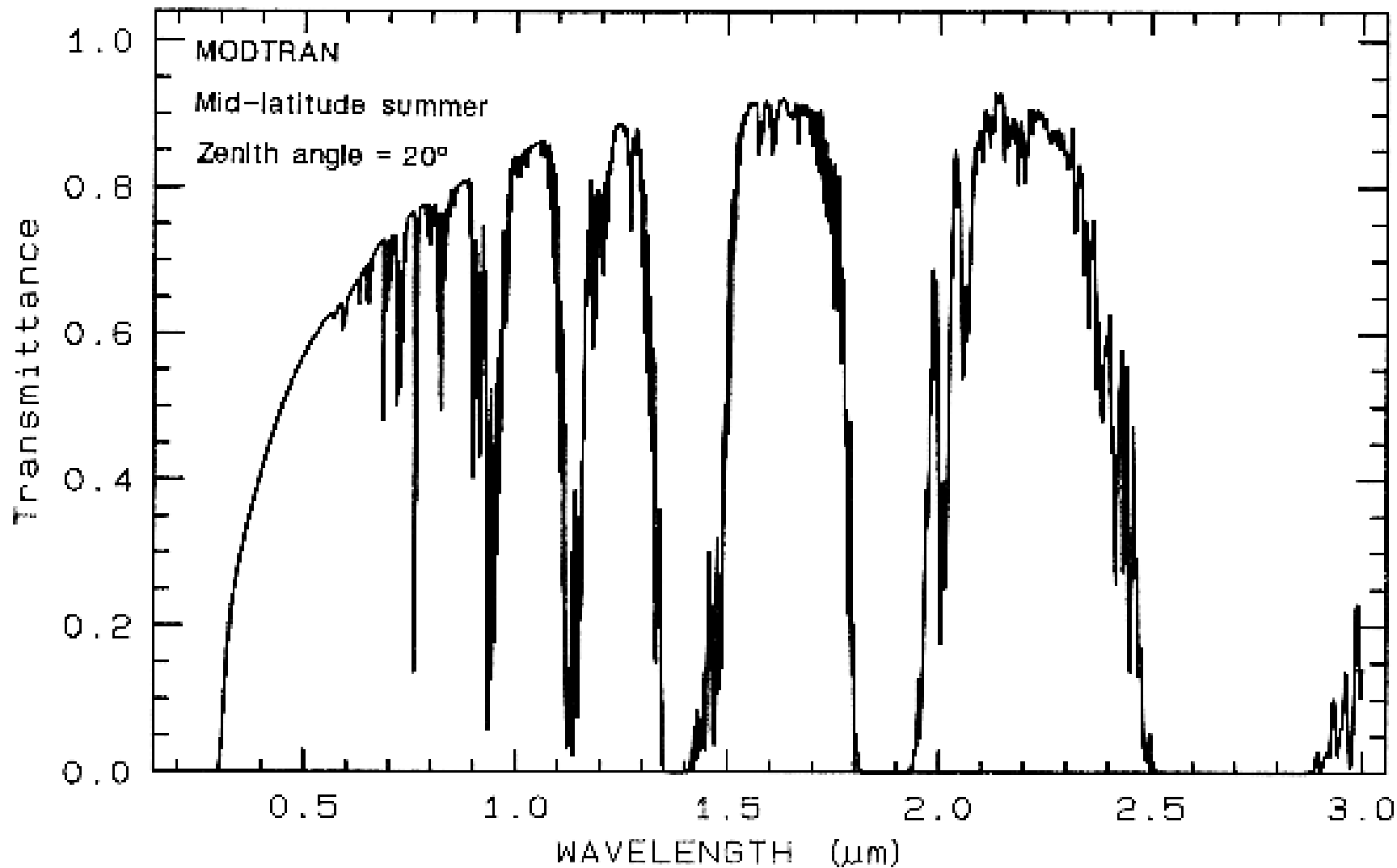
## 1.4 Imaging Spectroscopy.

- **Today, spectrometers are in use in the laboratory, in the field, in aircraft (looking both down at the Earth, and up into space), and on satellites.**
- Reflectance and emittance spectroscopy of natural surfaces are sensitive to specific chemical bonds in materials, whether solid, liquid or gas. Spectroscopy has the advantage of being sensitive to both crystalline and amorphous materials, unlike some diagnostic methods, like X-ray diffraction. **Spectroscopy's other main advantage is that it can be used up close (e.g. in the laboratory) to far away (e.g. to look down on the Earth, or up at other planets).**
- **Spectroscopy's historical disadvantage is that it is too sensitive to small changes in the chemistry and/or structure of a material.** The variations in material composition often causes shifts in the position and shape of absorption bands in the spectrum. Thus, with the vast variety of chemistry typically encountered in the real world, spectral signatures can be quite complex and sometimes unintelligible.
- However, that is now changing with increased knowledge of the natural variation in spectral features and the causes of the shifts. As a result, **the previous disadvantage is turning into a huge advantage, allowing us to probe ever more detail about the chemistry of our natural environment.**

- **With the advances in computer and detector technology, the new field of imaging spectroscopy is developing**
- **Imaging spectroscopy is a new technique for obtaining a spectrum in each position of a large array of spatial positions so that any one spectral wavelength can be used to make a recognizable image.** The image might be of a rock in the laboratory, a field study site from an aircraft, or a whole planet from a spacecraft or Earth-based telescope.
- By analyzing the spectral features, and thus specific chemical bonds in materials, one can map where those bonds occur, and thus map materials. **Such mapping is best done, in this author's opinion, by spectral feature analysis.**
- **Imaging spectroscopy has many names in the remote sensing community, including imaging spectrometry, hyperspectral, and ultraspectral imaging. Spectroscopy is the study of electromagnetic radiation.**

## 1.5 Atmospheric Transmittance: Windows for Remote Sensing.

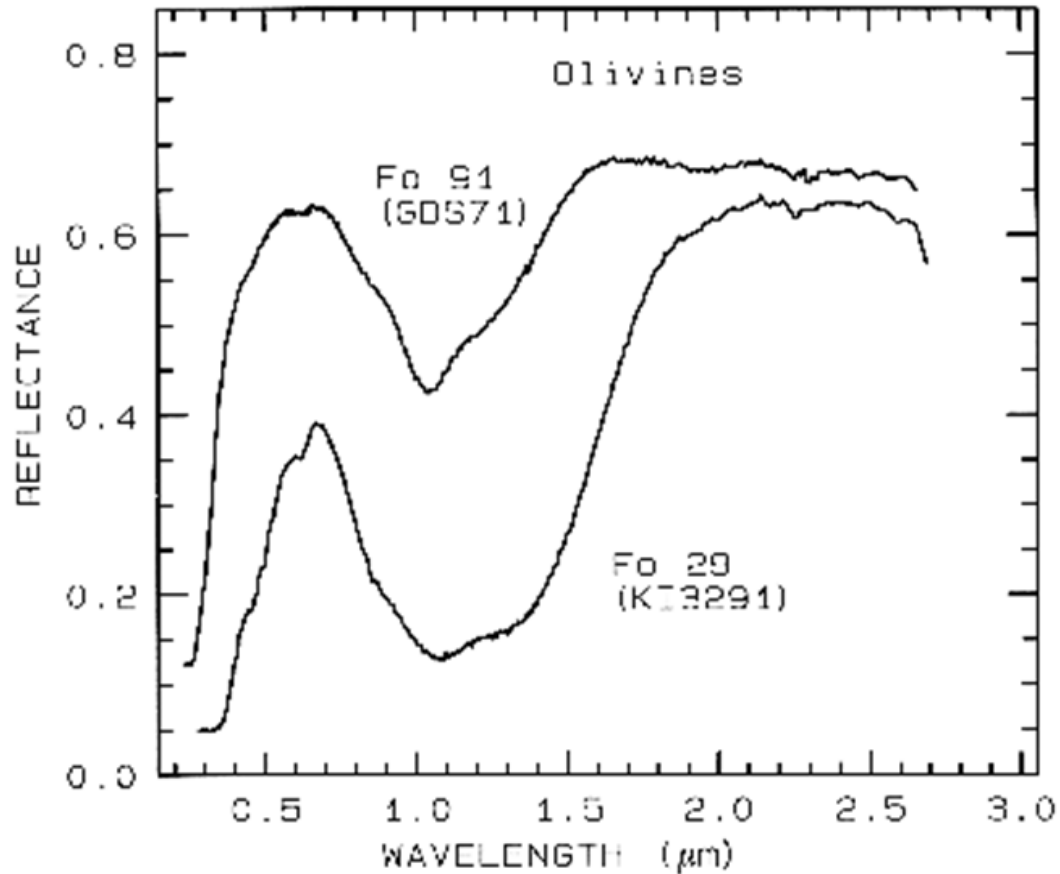
- Any effort to measure the spectral properties of a material through a planetary atmosphere, must consider where the atmosphere absorbs.
- The ultraviolet is due to scattering and strong **ozone absorption at wavelengths short of 0.35  $\mu\text{m}$** . Ozone also displays an absorption at 9.6  $\mu\text{m}$ . Oxygen absorbs at 0.76  $\mu\text{m}$  in a narrow feature.
- $\text{CO}_2$  absorbs at 2.01, 2.06, and a weak doublet near 1.6  $\mu\text{m}$ . Water causes most of the rest of the absorption throughout the spectrum and hides additional (weaker) absorptions from other gases.



*Figure 3a. Modeled atmospheric transmittance, visible to near-infrared.*

*Most of the absorptions are due to water. Oxygen occurs at 0.76  $\mu\text{m}$ , carbon dioxide at 2.0 and 2.06  $\mu\text{m}$ . See text.*



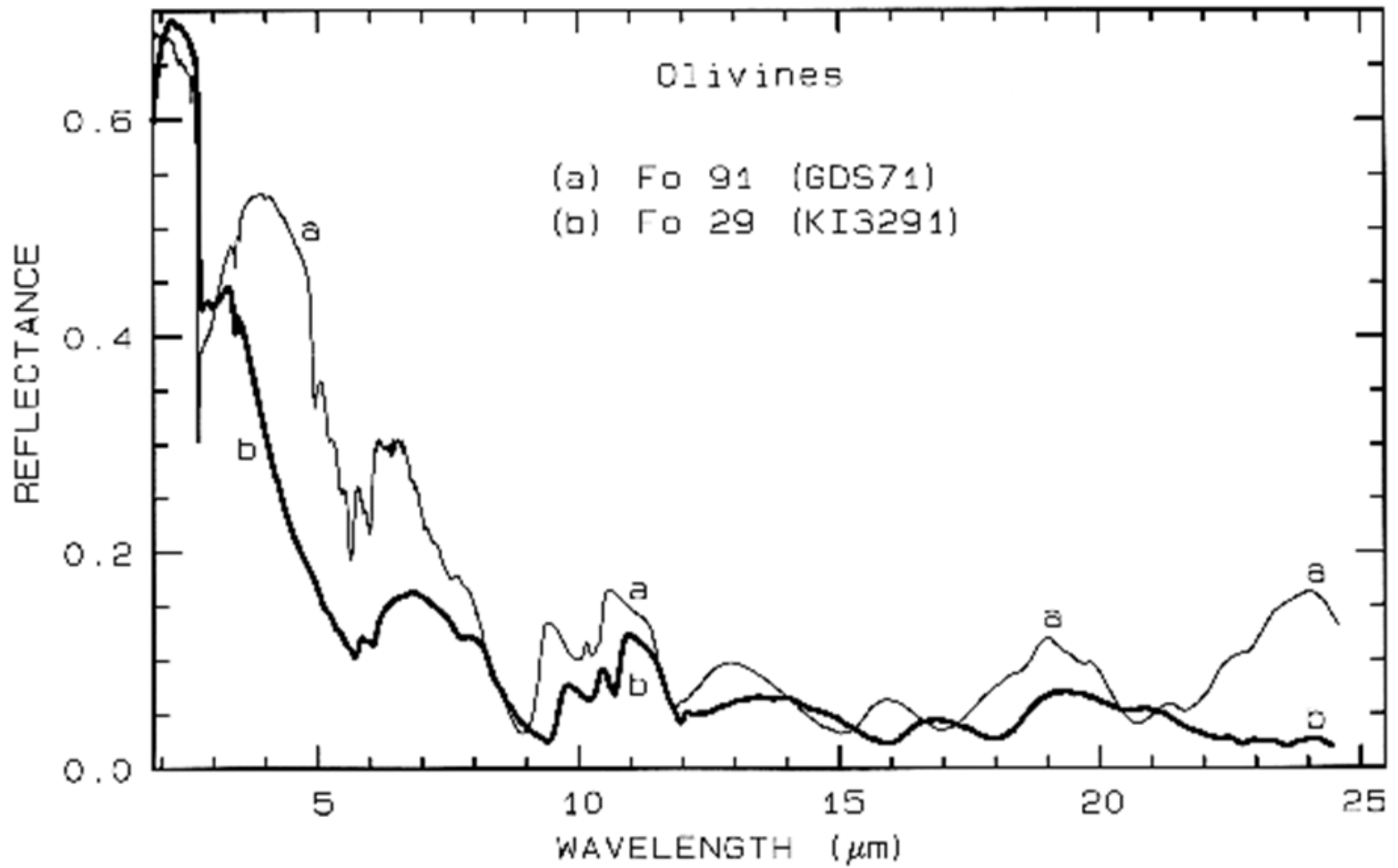


Reflectance spectra of **two olivines** showing the change in band position and shape with composition.

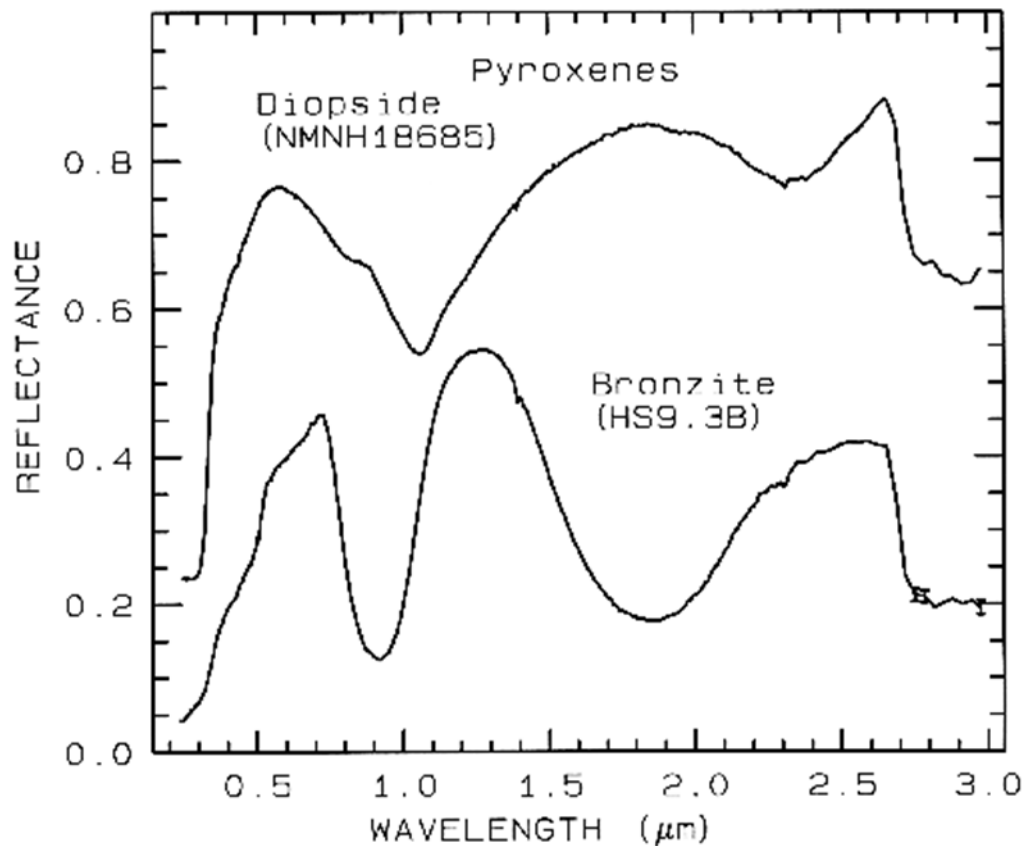
The 1-μm absorption band is due to a crystal field absorption of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ . "Fo" stands for forsterite ( $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ ) in the forsterite-fayalite ( $\text{Fe}_2^{2+}\text{SiO}_4$ ) olivine solid solution series.

**The Fo 29 sample (KI3291) has an FeO content of 53.65%, while the Fo 91 sample (GDS 71) has an FeO content of 7.93%. The mean grain size is 30 and 25 μm respectively.**

The 1-μm band position varies from about 1.08 μm at Fo 10 to 1.05 μm at Fo 90



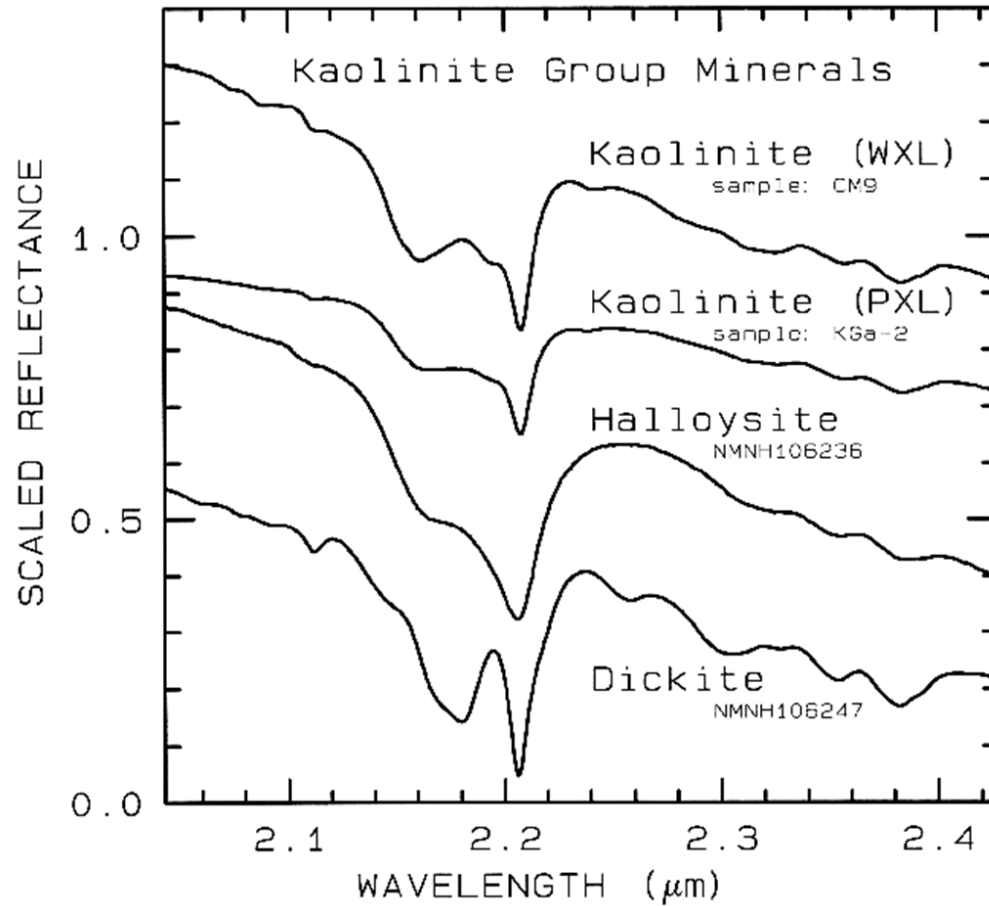
For Mid-infrared wavelengths. Note the shifts in the spectral features due to the change in composition.



Reflectance spectra of two pyroxenes showing the change in  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ -absorption band position and shape with composition.

Diopside, sample NMNH18685, is  $\text{CaMgSi}_2\text{O}_6$ , but some  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  substitutes for Mg. Bronzite, sample HS9.3B, is  $(\text{Mg,Fe})\text{SiO}_3$  with mostly Mg.

The 1- $\mu\text{m}$  versus the 2- $\mu\text{m}$  band position of a pyroxene describes the pyroxene composition.

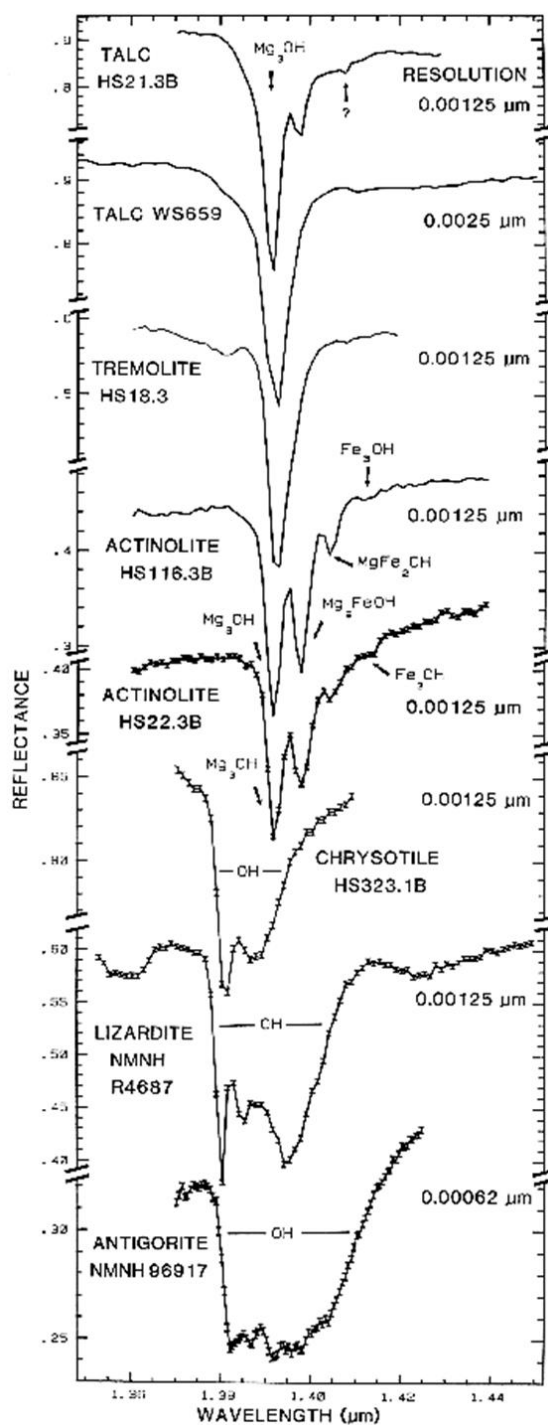


Subtle spectral differences in the kaolinite group minerals near 2.2- $\mu\text{m}$ .

Kaolinite CM9 is well crystallized (WXL) while KGa-2 is poorly crystallized (PXL).

Spectral bandwidth is 1.9 nm and sampling is 0.95 nm. Each spectrum was scaled to 0.7 at 2.1  $\mu\text{m}$  then offset up or down so that the curves do not overlap.

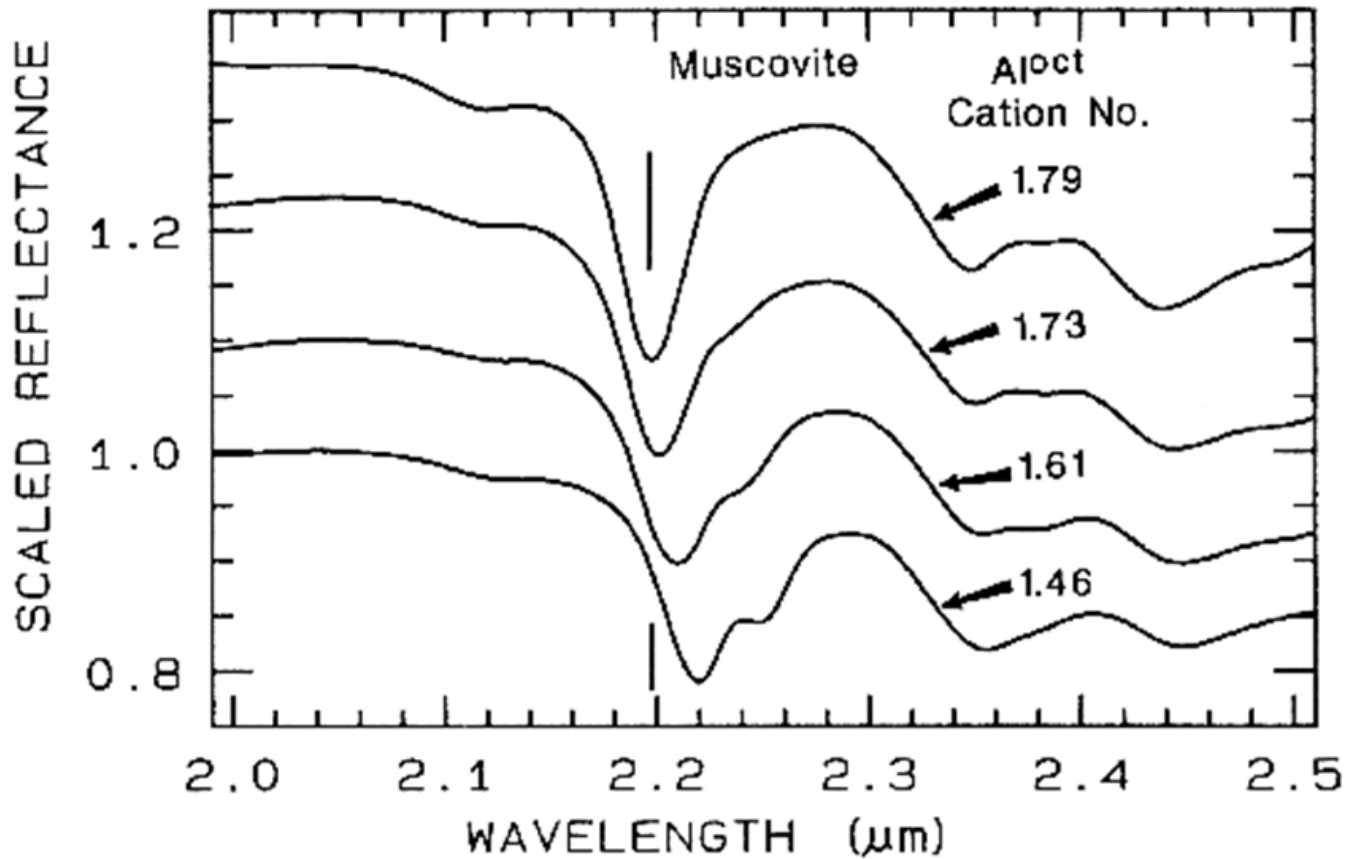
Original reflectances were between 0.5 and 0.8.



High spectral resolution reflectance spectra of the first overtone of OH in talc, tremolite, actinolite, chrysotile, lizardite, and antigorite.

The three sharp absorption bands in talc, tremolite and actinolite are caused by Mg and Fe ions associated with the hydroxyls, causing small band shifts.

The Fe:Fe+Mg ratio can be estimated. In chrysotile, lizardite and antigorite, the absorptions change with small structural differences even though the composition is constant



Reflectance spectra of muscovite showing band shifts due to changing aluminum composition.



# METHODOLOGY

**IGNEOUS  
ROCKS**

**METAMORPHIC  
ROCKS**

**SEDIMENTARY  
ROCKS**

**ACID IGNEOUS ROCKS**

**BASIC IGNEOUS ROCKS**

**INTERMEDIATE IGNEOUS  
ROCKS**

**MONOMINERALIC IGNEOUS  
ROCKS**

**SPECTRO RADIO METRIC  
MEASUREMENT USING  
SVC HR 1024**

**PREPERATION OF SPECTRAL  
LIBRARY**

**COMPARISION OF DIFFERENT  
SPECTRAL PATTERN**

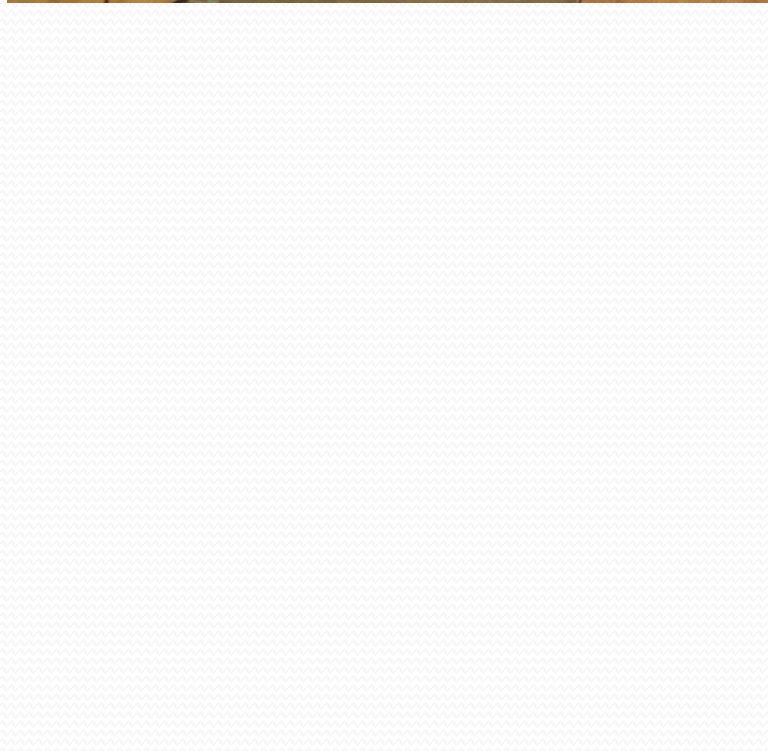
**LITHOLOGICAL DISCRIMINATION  
USING DIFFERENT SPECTRAL PATTERN**

# SVC HR-1024



- SPECTRAL RANGE 350-2500nm
- INTERNAL MEMORY 500 scans
- FOV
- WEIGHT 3.3Kg
- BATTERY TYPE 7.4 V Lithium ion
- BATTERY LIFE 3 +Hours
- OPERATING ENVIRONMENT  $-10^{\circ}$  to  $+41^{\circ}$





## ■ IGNEOUS ROCKS

### ACID IGNEOUS ROCKS

- ❖ Granite
- ❖ Granodiorite
- ❖ Granite porphyry
- ❖ Graphic Granite
- ❖ Pegmatite

### BASIC IGNEOUS ROCKS

- ❖ Gabbro
- ❖ Norite

### INTERMEDIATE IGNEOUS ROCKS

- ❖ Diorite porphyry
- ❖ Dolerite porphyry
- ❖ Trachyte

### MONOMINERALIC IGNEOUS ROCKS

- ❖ Anorthosite
- ❖ Dunite
- ❖ pyroxinite

## ■ METAMORPHIC ROCKS

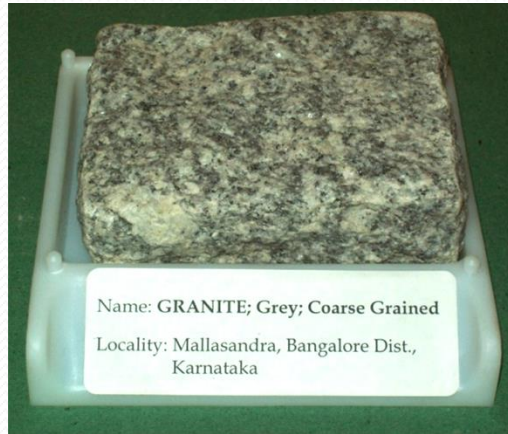
- ❖ Augen Gneiss
- ❖ Biotite Schist
- ❖ Chlorite Schist
- ❖ Grey Slate
- ❖ Hornblende-schist
- ❖ Dolomite-marble
- ❖ Mica-schist
- ❖ Quartzite

# SPECTRAL LAB ANALYSIS

# IGNEOUS ROCKS



# GRANITE (Coarse)



## Physical properties:

Color :Leucocratic

Sp.gravity:Medium

Texture:equigranular

Origin: plutonic

## Mineral composition:

Quartz,Feldspar,Mica

## Spectral characteristics:

Quartz:

$0.5 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$2.43 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)

Feldspar:

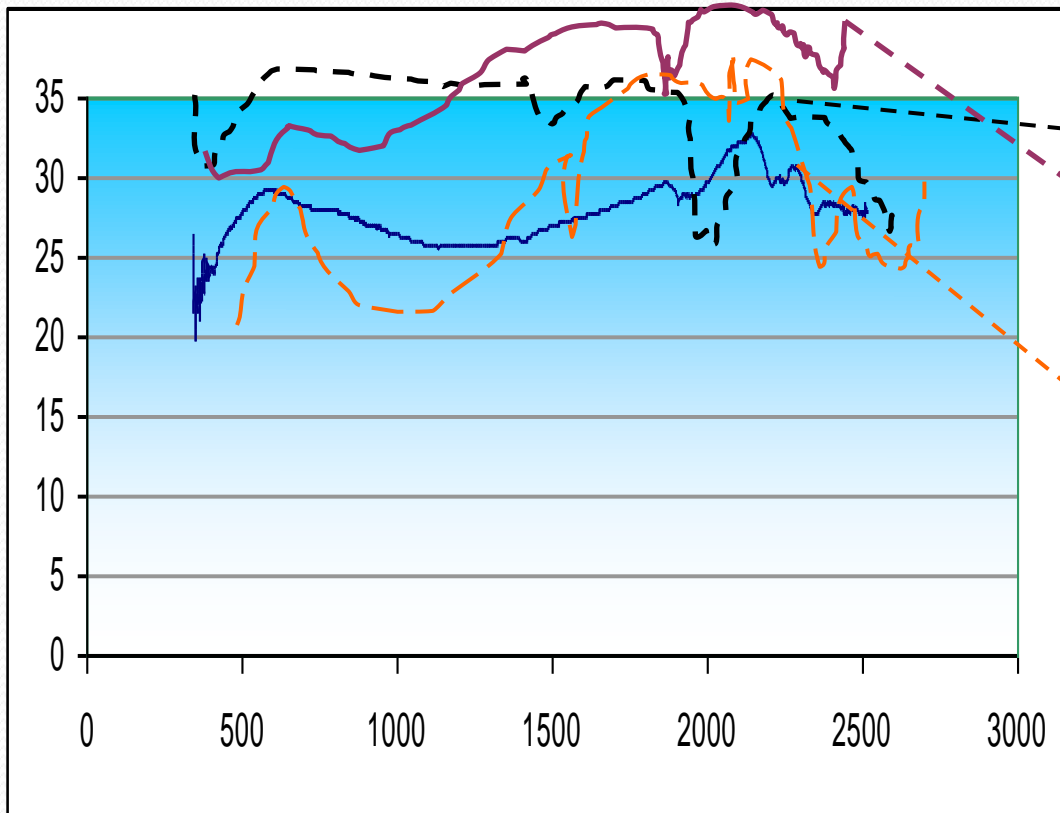
$2.3 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)

Mica:

$1.9 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)



# GRANITE (fine)



## Physical properties:

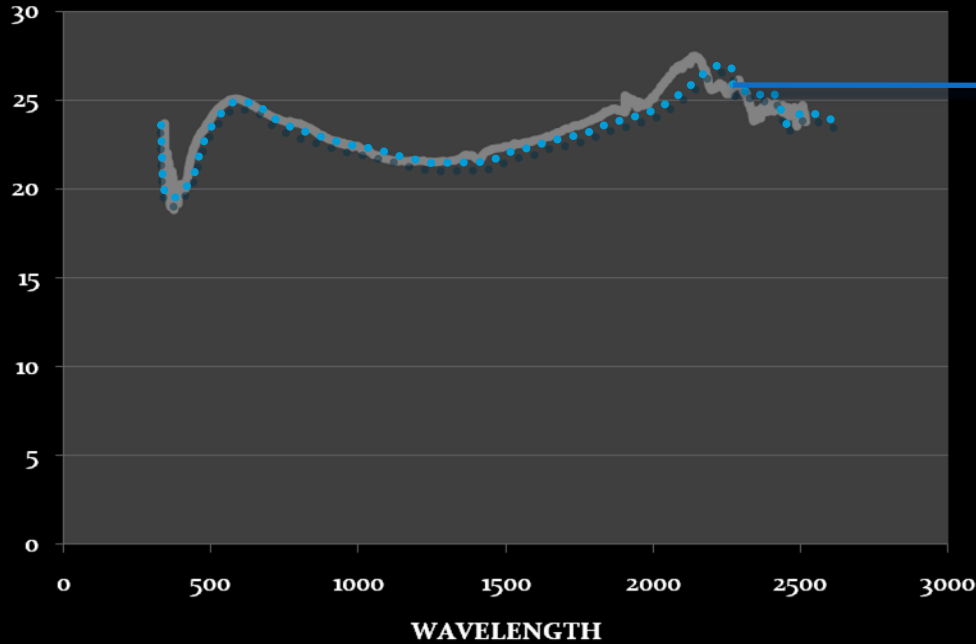
**Color** :Leucocratic

**Sp.gravity:**Medium

**Texture** :Equigranular

**Origin** :Plutonic

## GRANITE\_FINE



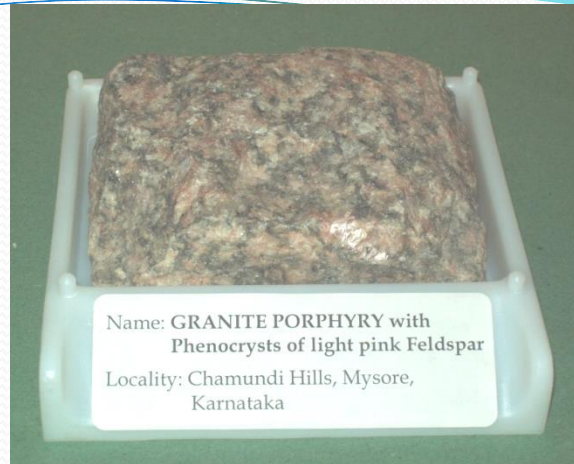
GRANITE\_COARSE

## Mineral composition:

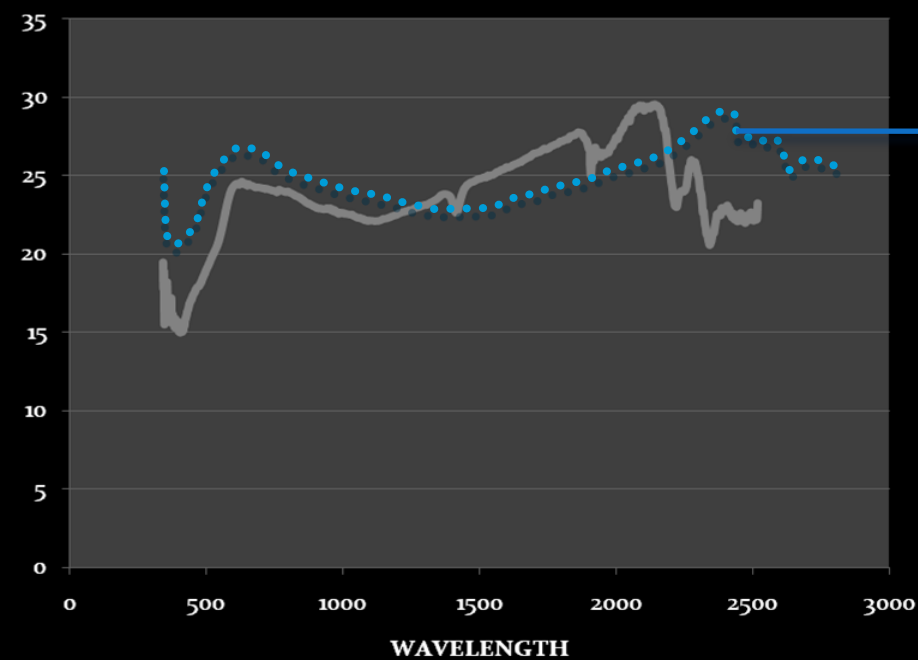
Quartz,Feldspar,Mica



# GRANITE PORPHYRY



## GRANITE PORPHYRY



GRANITE\_COARSE

**MINERAL COMPOSITION:**

orthoclase

# GRANO DIORITE

## Physical properties:

Color :Mesocratic

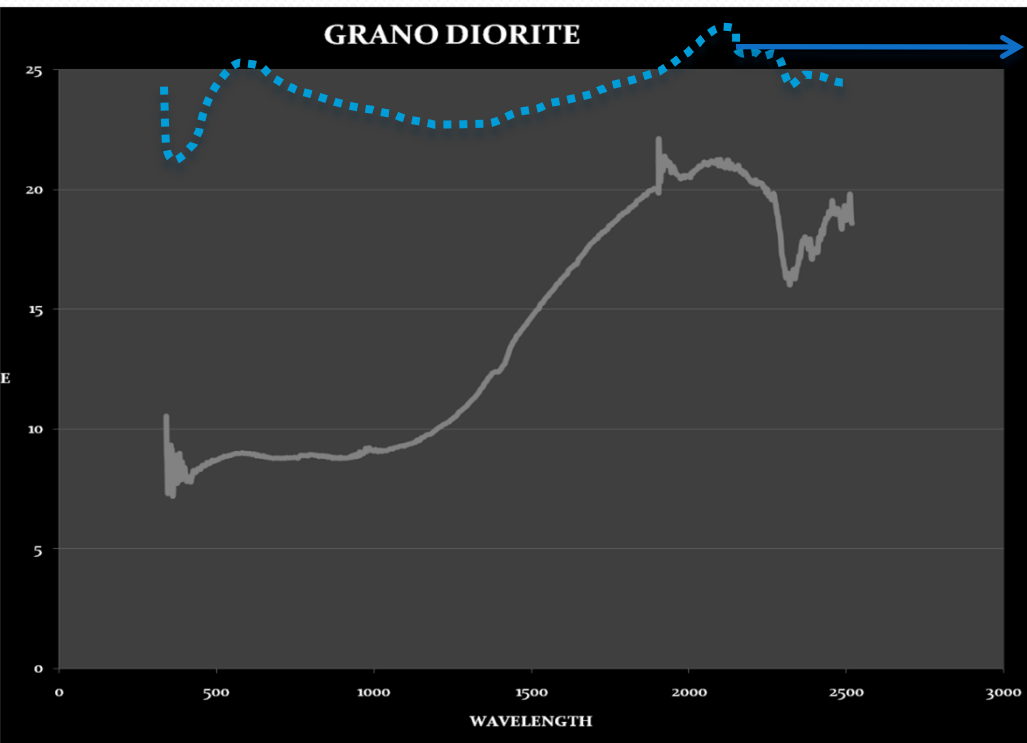
Sp.gravity:High

Texture :Equigranular

Origin :Plutonic

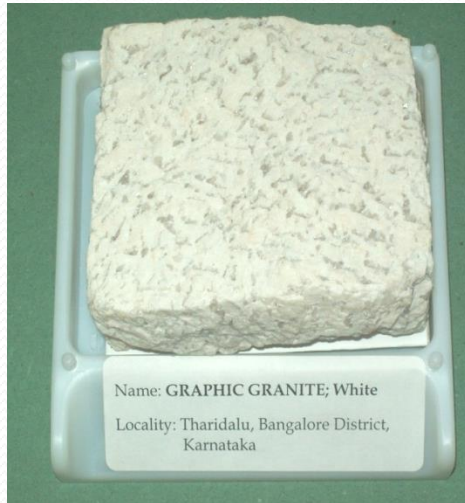
## Mineral composition:

Quartz, Plagioclase(albite&oligoclase)



GRANITE\_COARISIE

# GRAPHIC GRANITE



## Physical properties:

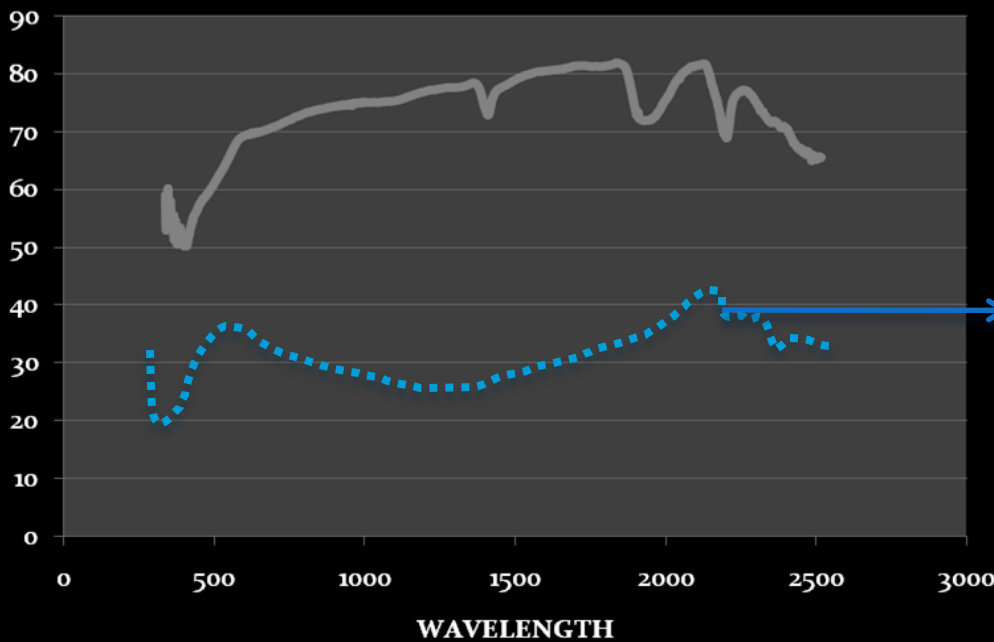
**Color** :Mesocratic

**Sp.gravity:**High

**Texture:** equigranular

**Origin:** plutonic

## GRAPHIC GRANITE



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## Mineral composition

quartz & Plagioclase.

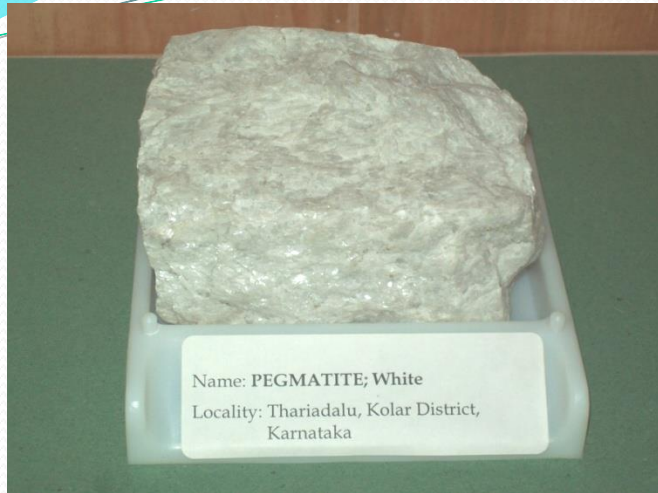
## Spectral characteristics:

**Plagioclase:**

$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl. Max)

$2.4 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb. Max)

# PEGMATITE



## Physical properties:

**Color** :Mesocratic

**Sp.gravity**:High

**Texture**:equigranular

**Origin**: plutonic

## Mineral composition:

Quartz, Plagioclase(Albite)&  
Muscovite.

## Spectral characters

### Quartz:

$2.05 \times 10^{-9}$ (Refl.Max)

$2.43 \times 10^{-9}$ (Absorb.Max)

### Plagioclase:

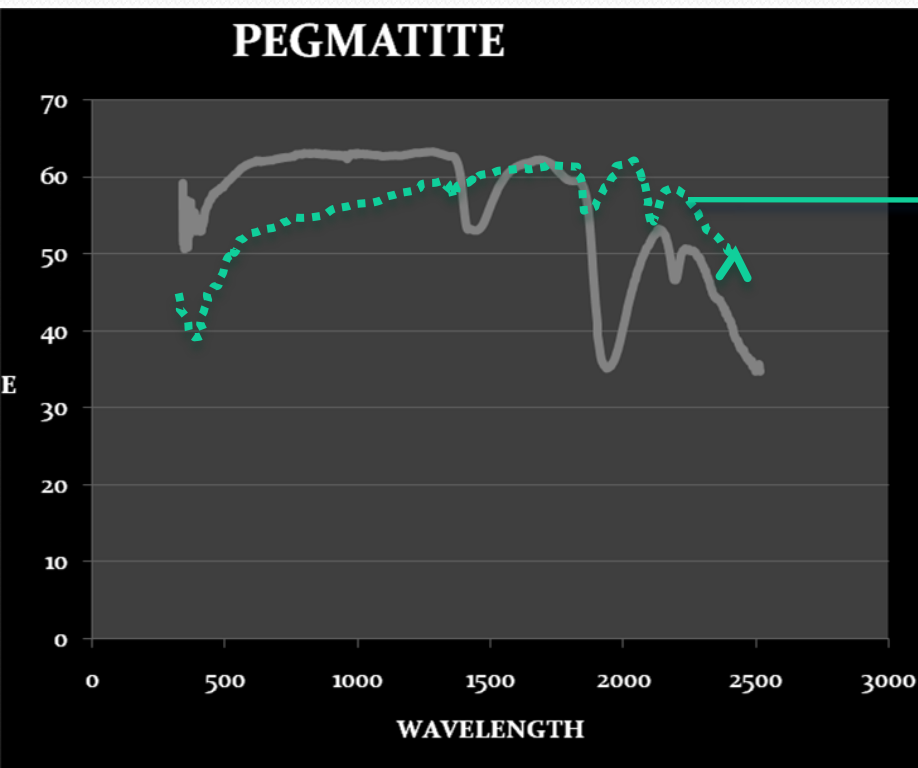
$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$ (Refl.Max)

$2.4 \times 10^{-9}$ (Absorb.Max)

### Muscovite

$1.9 \times 10^{-9}$ (Refl.Max)

$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$ (Absorb.Max)



# SYENITE



## Physical properties:

**Color** :Mesocratic

**Sp.Gravity**: Medium

**Texture** :Equigranular

**Origin**: Plutonic

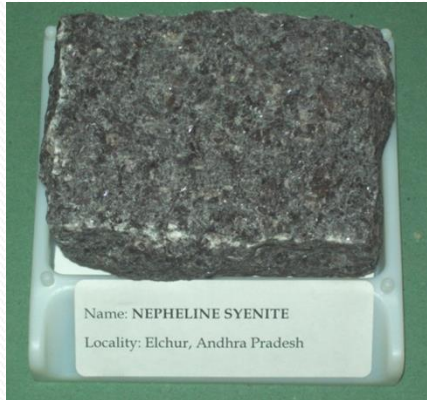
## SYENITE



## Mineral Composition:

Albite & Orthoclase  
(59% of Silica )

# NEPHLINE SYENITE



## Physical properties:

**Color** : Mesocratic

**Sp.gravity**: medium

**Texture**: Inequigranular

**Origin**: hypapysal

## Mineral composition

albite, orthoclase & nepheline  
(54.5% of silica)

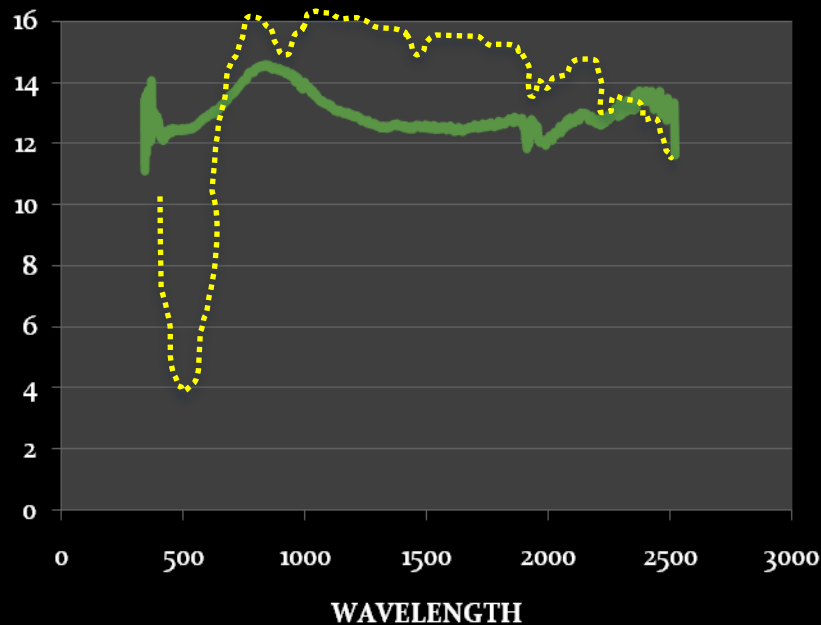
## Spectral characters

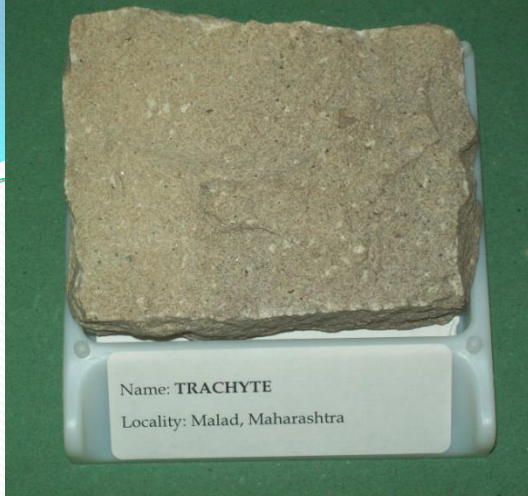
### Nephline

$0.5 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl. Max)

$0.9 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb. Max)

## NEPHLINE SYENITE





## Physical properties:

**Color** :Mesocratic

**Sp.gravity**:medium

**Texture**

**Crystallinity**:holocrystalline

**Granularity**:phaneric

**Fabric**:inequigranular

**Origin**: hypapysal

**Mineral composition**:  
albite&sanidine

## Spectral characters

**albite:**

$\times 10^{-9}$ (Refl.Max)

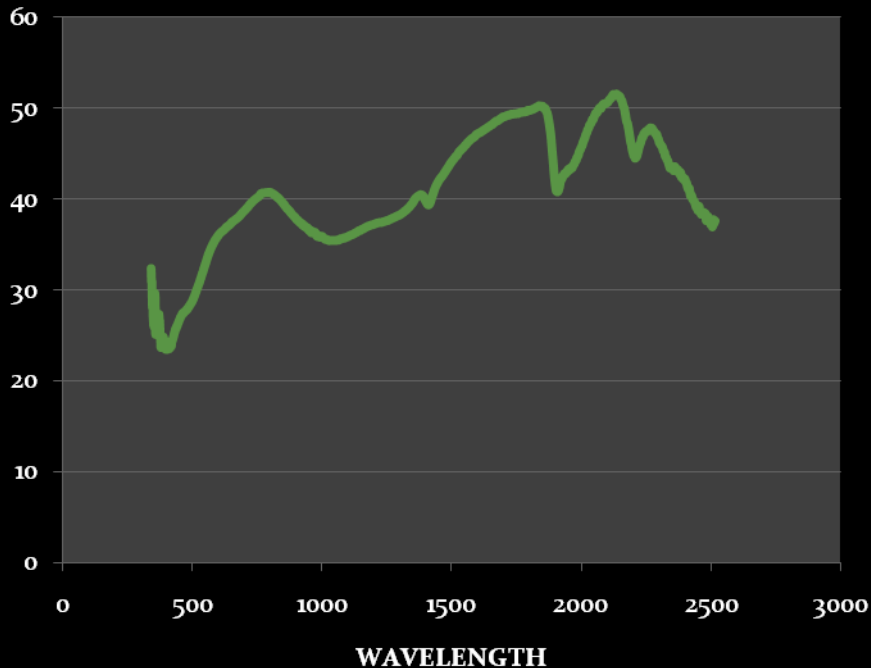
$\times 10^{-9}$ (Absorb.Max)

**sanidine:**

$\times 10^{-9}$ (Refl.Max)

$\times 10^{-9}$ (Absorb.Max)

## TRACHYTE







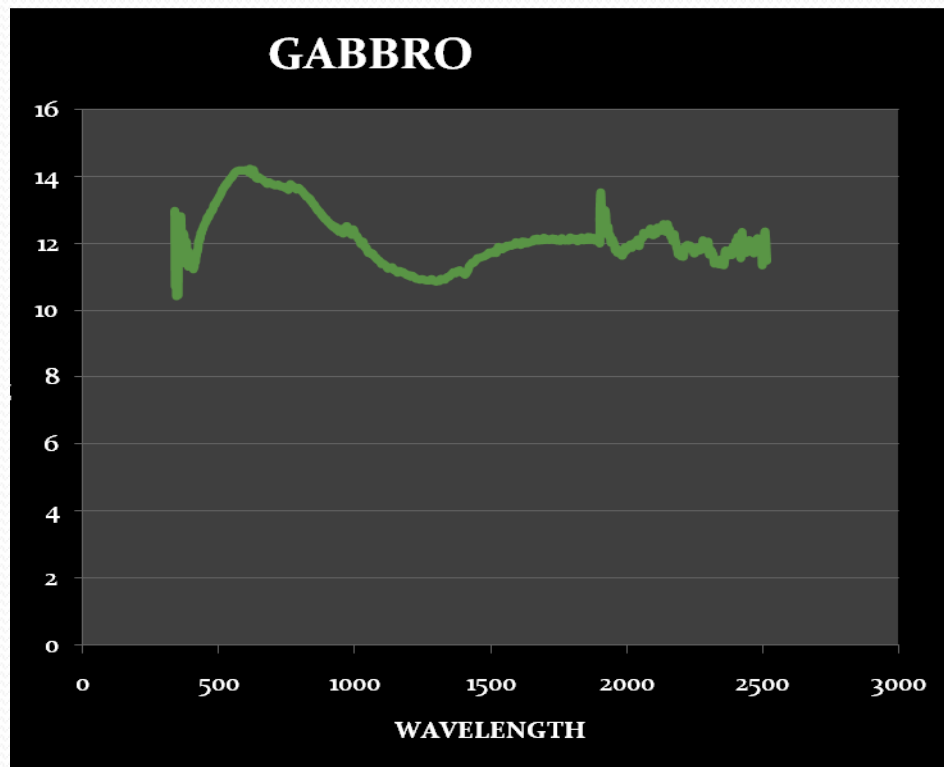
## Physical properties:

**Color** : Mesocratic

**Sp.gravity**: High

**Texture** : iquigranular

**Origin** : plutonic



## Mineral composition:

augite & labradorite.



## Physical properties:

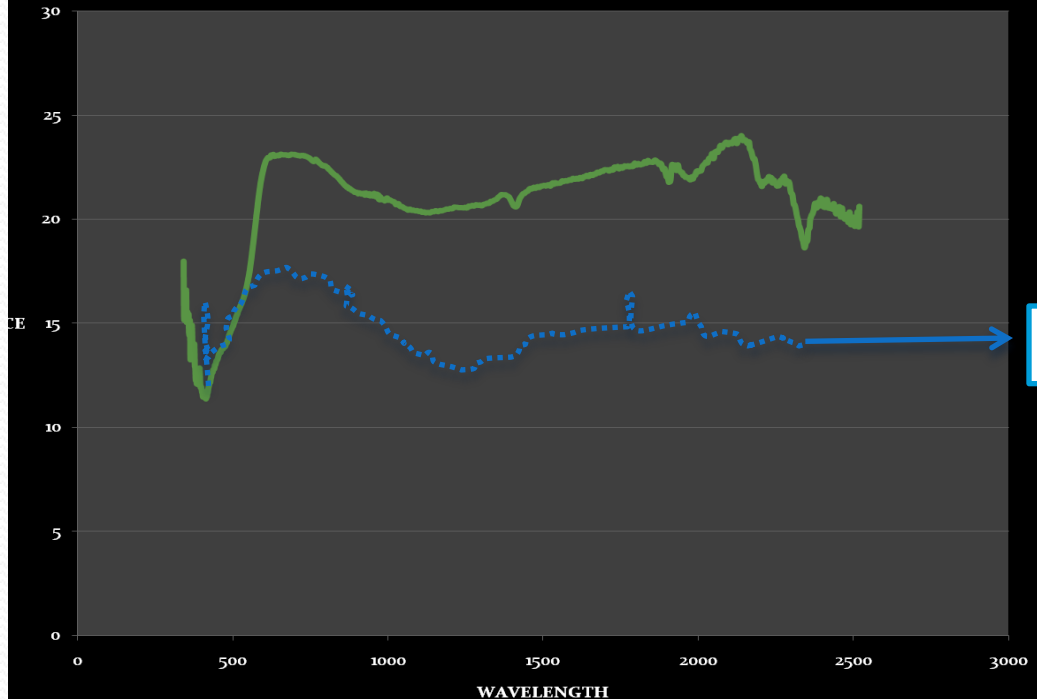
**Color** : Mesocratic

**Sp.gravity**: medium

**Texture** : inequigranular

**Origin** : hypapysal

DIORITE PORPHYRY



## Mineral composition:

Plagioclase(andesine),  
hornblende, biotite

## Spectral characters

### Plagioclase:

$2.1 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl. Max)

$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb. Max)

### Hornblende:

$2.1 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl. Max)

$2.3 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb. Max)

### Biotite

$2.3 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl. Max)

$2.2 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb. Max)

## Physical properties:

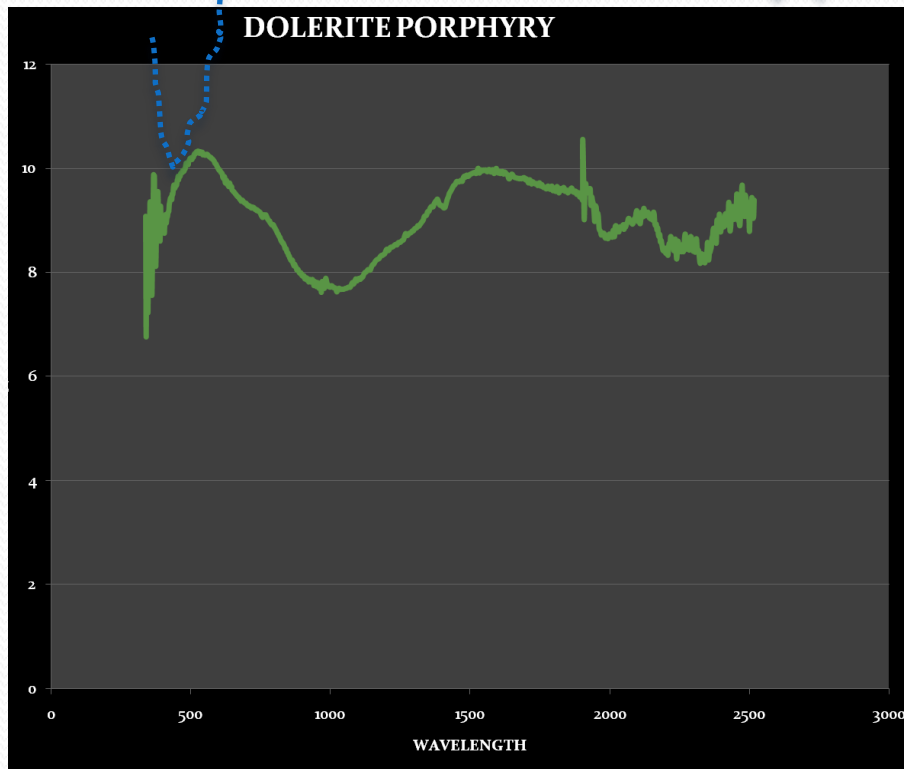
**Color** :Melanocratic

**Sp.gravity**:high

**Texture**:inequigranular  
(porphyritic)

**Origin**: hypapysal

DIORITE  
PORPHYRY



## Mineral composition

Augite&labrodorite

## Spectral characters

### Augite:

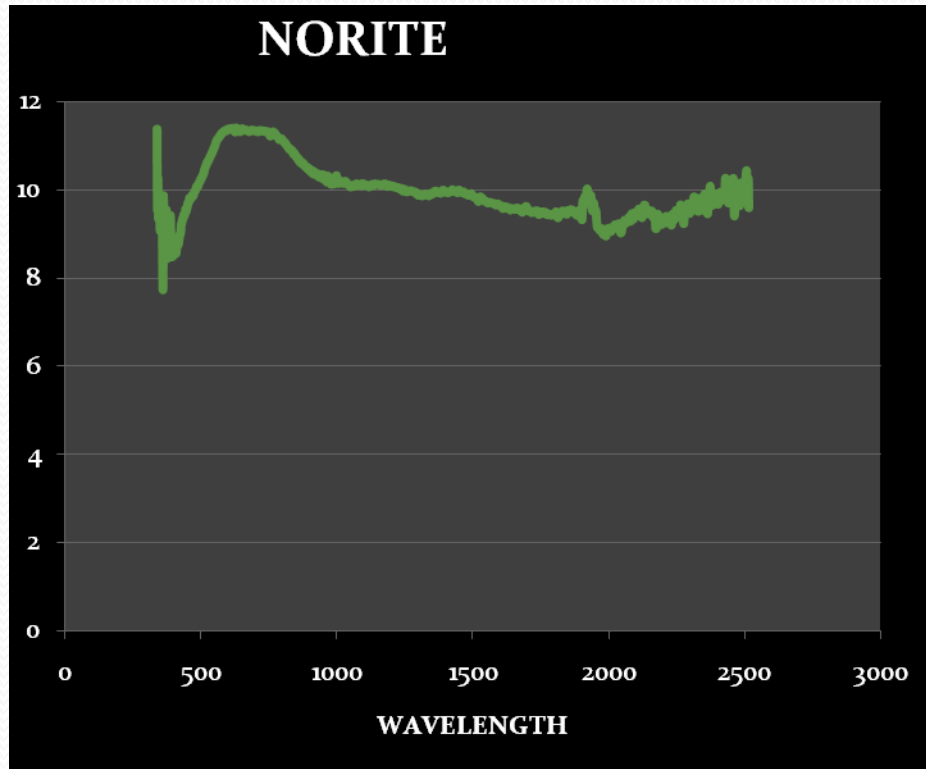
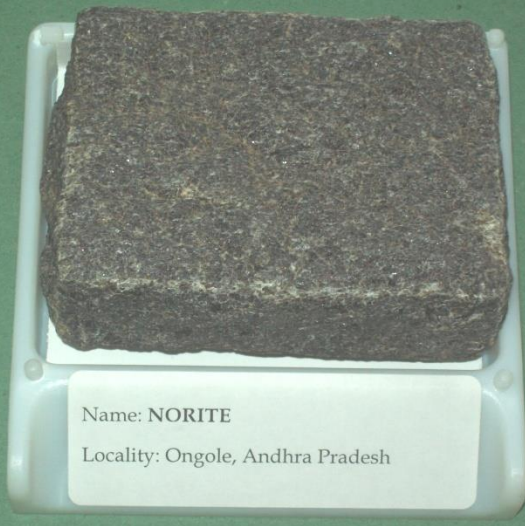
$\times 10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$\times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)

### Labrodorite:

$\times 10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$\times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)



**Mineral composition:**

labradorite, hypersthene & olivine.

**Spectral character:**

**Labradorite:**

$x10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$x10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)

**Hypersthene:**

$x10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$x10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)

**Olivine**

$0.4x10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$1.7x10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)

## Physical properties:

**Color** :Mesoeratic

**Sp.gravity**:high

**Texture** :equigranular

**Origin**: plutonic

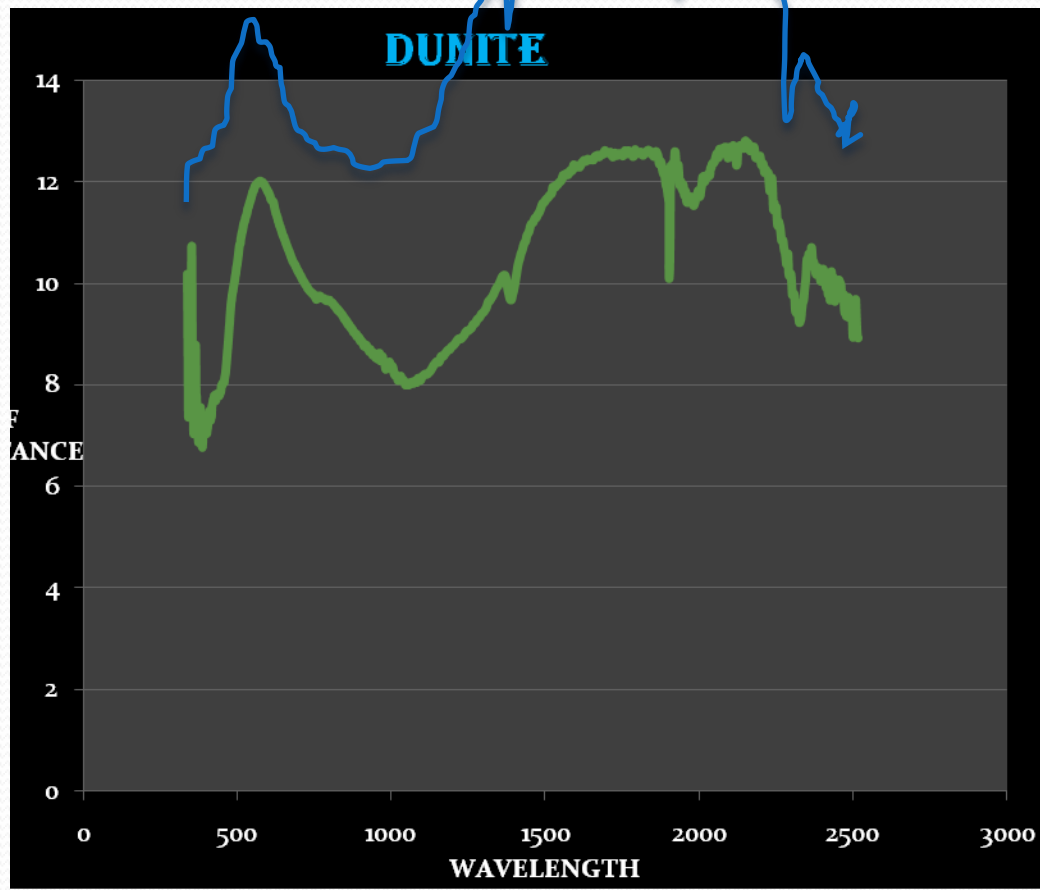
**OLIVINE**

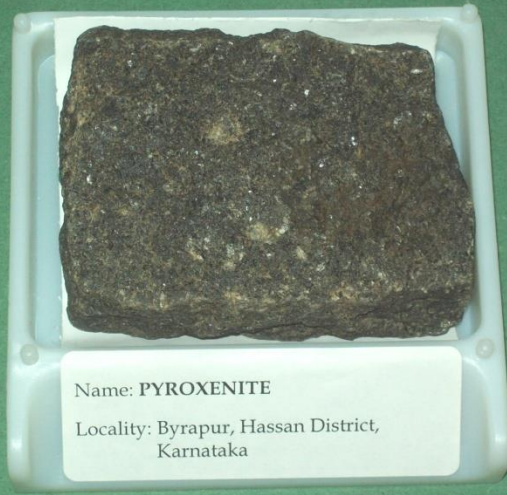
**Mineral composition:**  
olivine.

**Spectral reflectance**  
Olivine

$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$1.7 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)





## Physical properties:

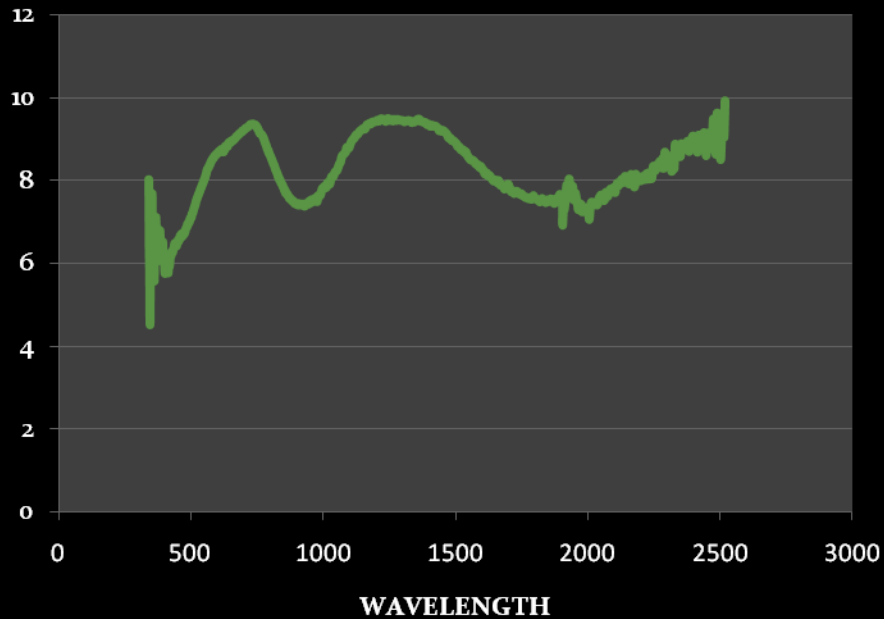
**Color** :Mesocratic

**Sp.gravity**:medium

**Texture** :inequigranular

**Origin**: plutonic

## PYROXINITE



## Mineral composition:

pyroxene

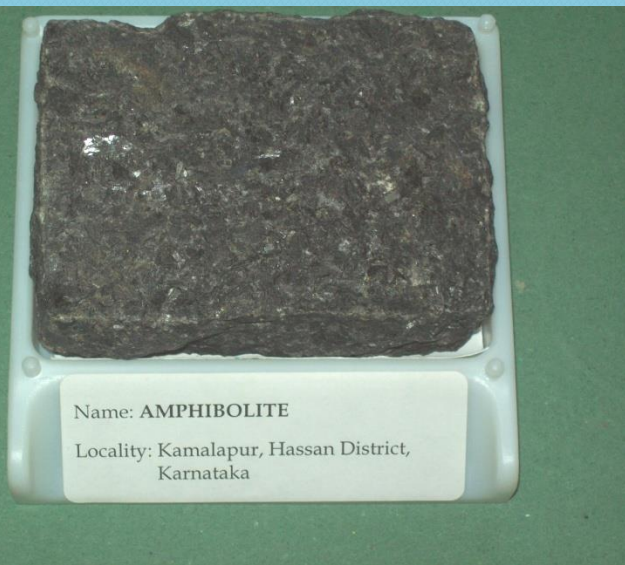
## Spectral characters

pyroxine:

$2.5 \times 10^{-9}$  (Refl.Max)

$0.34 \times 10^{-9}$  (Absorb.Max)

# METAMORPHIC ROCKS



## Physical properties:

**Color** :Dark green

**Sp.gravity**:medium

**Texture** :poorly foliated

**Origin** :high grade regional metamorphism

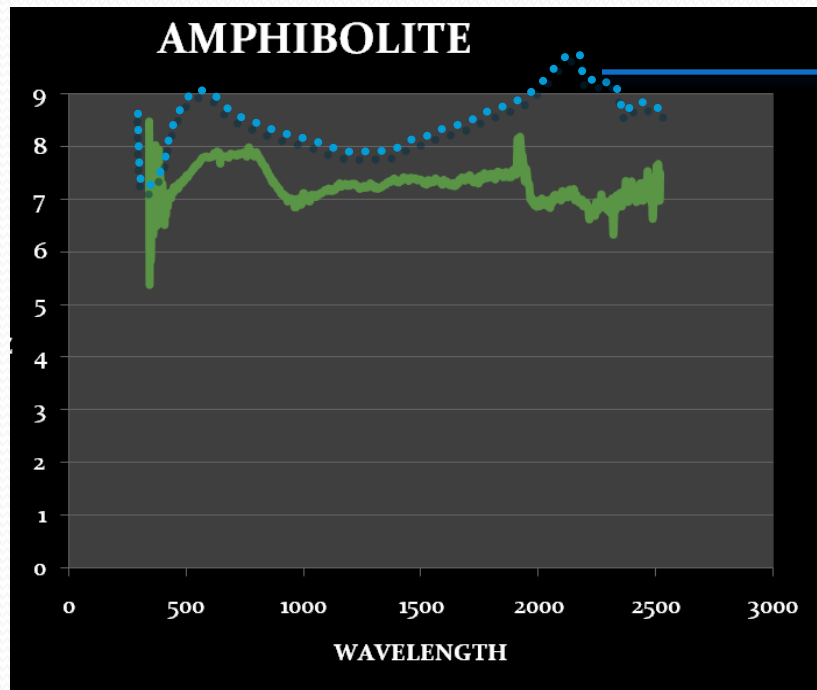
**Mineral composition:**  
amphibole&plagioclase

**Spectral characteristics:**

**Plagioclase:**

$2.3 \times 10^{-9}$ (Refl.Max)

$0.4 \times 10^{-9}$ (Absorb.Max)



GRANITE\_COARSE



# GNEISS

## Physical properties:

Color :grey

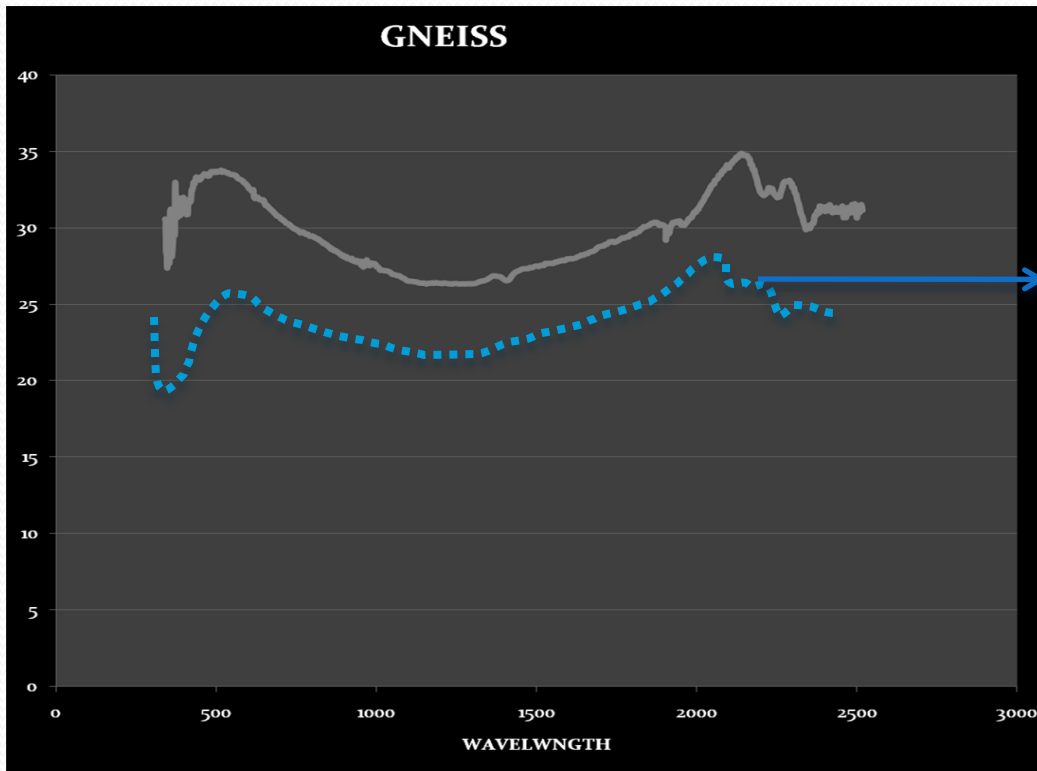
Sp.gravity:medium

Texture :foliated(gneissic)

Origin :plutonic

## Mineral composition:

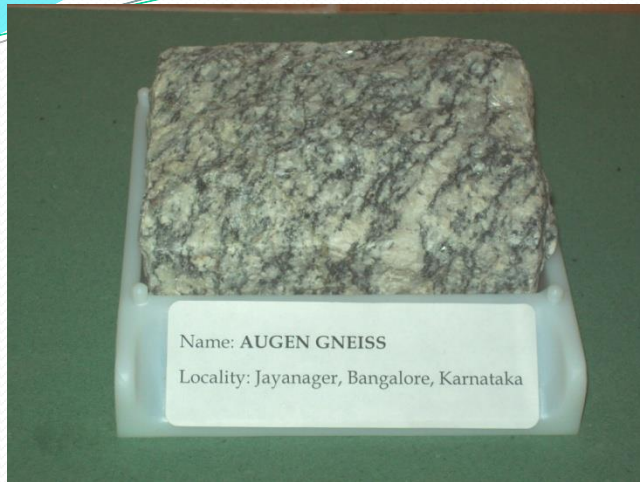
Quartz&Feldspar



GNEISS\_COARSE



# AUGEN GNEISS



## Physical properties:

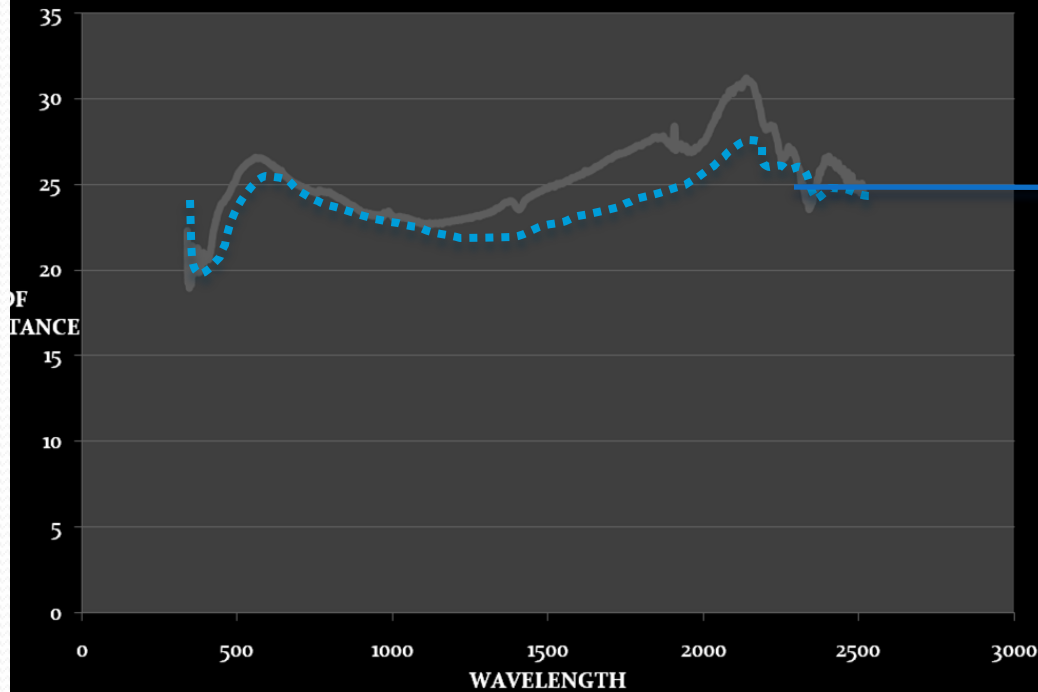
**Color** :grey

**Sp.gravity**:medium

**Texture** :foliated(gneissic)

**Origin** :Dynamic metamorphism

## AUGEN GNEISS



## Mineral composition:

Quartz ,Feldspar

GRANITITE\_COARSE



## Physical properties:

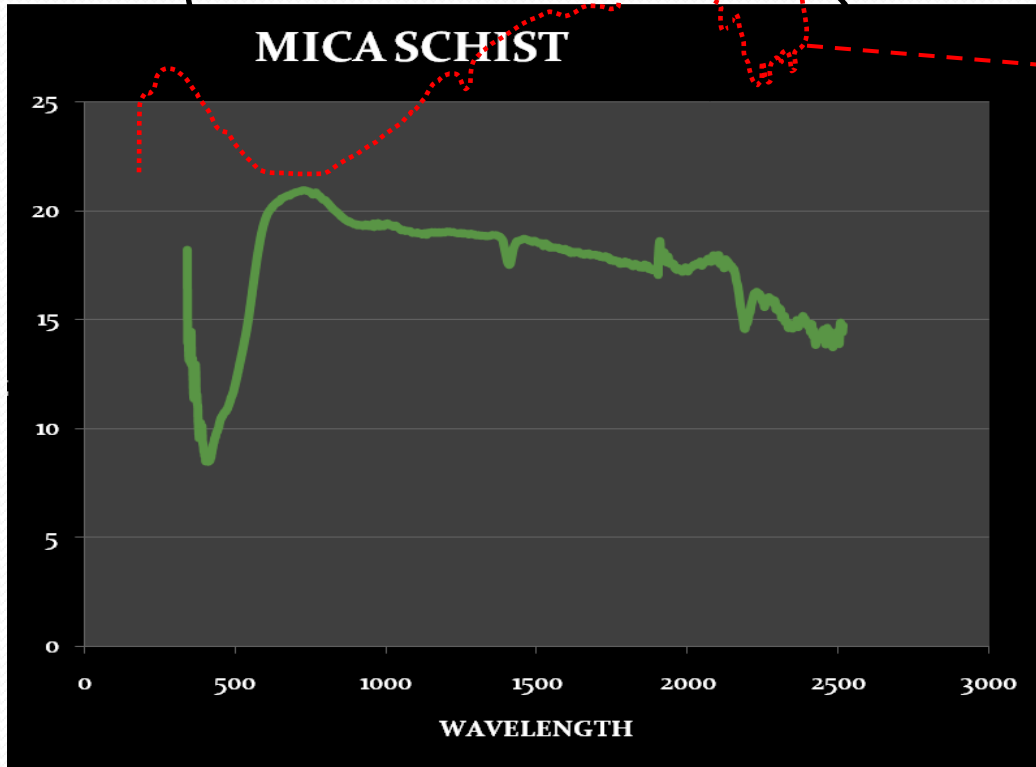
**Color** :grey

**Sp.gravity**:medium

**Texture** :foliated(gneissic)

**Origin** :low grade metamorphism

--- Quartz: ---



--- Biotite ---

**Mineral composition:**  
Biotite&quartz

# **Mapping of Rocks Using Aerial and Satellite Imagery**

- **Geological information available on the Ariel Photos will depend primarily on the type of terrain whether igneous, metamorphic or sedimentary, the climatic condition and stages of geomorphic cycles.**
- **It is generally believed that sedimentary terrain will yield more information from ariel photographs than Igneous and the area underlain by metamorphic will reveal least information.**
- **Arid area will reveal much more information on geological information.**
- **Different vegetation pattern will give information about the different bed rock in that area.**

- **Landform analysis of sedimentary terrain is more easy in images and yield more lithological information than either igneous or metamorphic terrain.**
- **Flat lying horizontal beds can be distinguished by banding along topographic contour and by changes in the slope due to presence of soft and hard rock.**
- **Extrusive and intrusive terrain are picked up by the associated structural features with lithology and surrounding rocks**

# **Sedimentary Rocks**

- **The Presence of bedding in the sedimentary rocks is fundamental to their interpretation from aerial photographs.**
- **This is due to differential erosion of sedimentary beds.**
- **Although topographic expression is thus important in recognition of beddings, banding due to vegetation or soil differences, expressed by photographic tone may likewise delineate beds, in absence of topographic expression or in combination with it.**

- As seen on aerial photographs shale and similar fine grained rocks tend to have relatively dark color tone, a fine textured drainage and relatively close spaced joints.
- In contrast, coarse grained rocks have relatively light colored, a coarse drainage texture with relatively wide and regularly spaced joints

The type of vegetation may be useful in differentiating specific rock types (see figs. 43 and 61). Hemming (1937) noted that striking vegetation differences were exhibited by limestone and quartzite in northern Rhodesia where the trees *Acacia* and *Albizzia* grew on limestone and *Brachystegia* and *Isoberlinia* grew on quartzite.

- **Unconsolidated materials are readily distinguished on aerial photos with the help of Landforms Like Sand dune. Alluvial fan, cone bazada and similar constructional landforms**
- **Igneous Rocks**
- **Extrusive igneous rocks can be easily distinguished from intrusive rocks based on the landforms, if the terrain is relatively undeformed.**
- **Flow structure in extrusive rock mainly on tertiary and younger age are readily identified from aerial photos. Lobate pattern of vegetation and topography seen at the termination of flows**



- **Associated with volcanic cones**
- **The surface of the flow may be either hummocky or irregular, in contrast to the sedimentary rock where several flows have piled up.**
- **Intrusive rocks**
- **It has wide verity of structural relationship to the surrounding rocks.**
- **Dyke, easily can be revealed from aerial photos based on its resistance to erosion with the surrounding rocks. Also gives contrast tone with the surroundings either difference in rocks type or difference in vegetation cover over dyke.**

| <b>Terrain Character</b>    | <b>Igneous</b>                               | <b>Sedimentary</b>             | <b>Metamorphic</b>                      |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>Size &amp; Dimension</b> | Small to Medium                              | Larger                         | Moderate                                |
| <b>Display of Terrain</b>   | Un -Controlled                               | Perfectly controlled           | Moderate Either controlled/uncontrolled |
| <b>Elevation</b>            | Varies point to point without any regularity | Varies uniformly and gradually | Moderate                                |
| <b>Topography</b>           | Peak & Cliff                                 | No Peaks-Cliffs                | Moderate                                |
| <b>Orientation/ Terrain</b> | No trend/ orientation                        | Perfect trend/ orientation     | Moderate                                |
| <b>Surface Smoothness</b>   | Rugged                                       | Smooth                         | Smooth & Rugged                         |

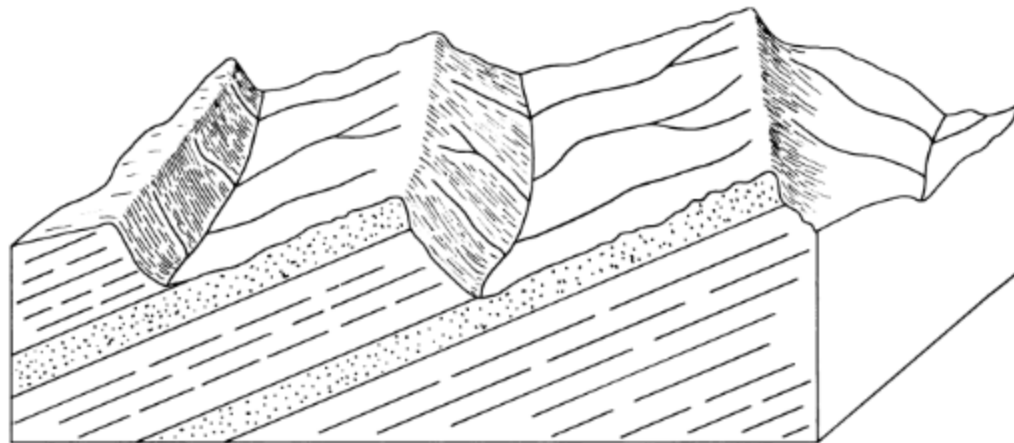


FIGURE 5.—Sketch showing long tributary streams on updip side of strike valley in area of low dips.

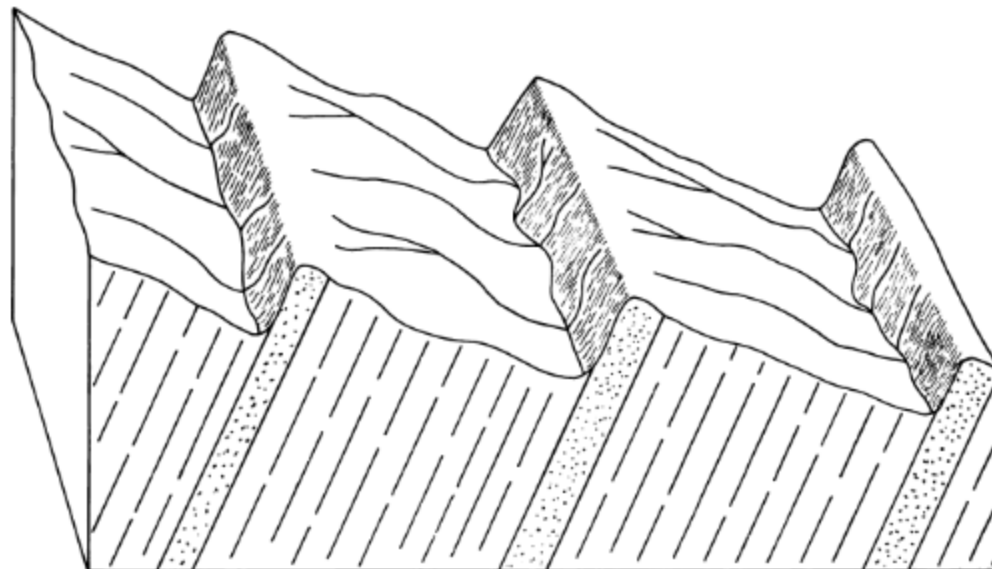
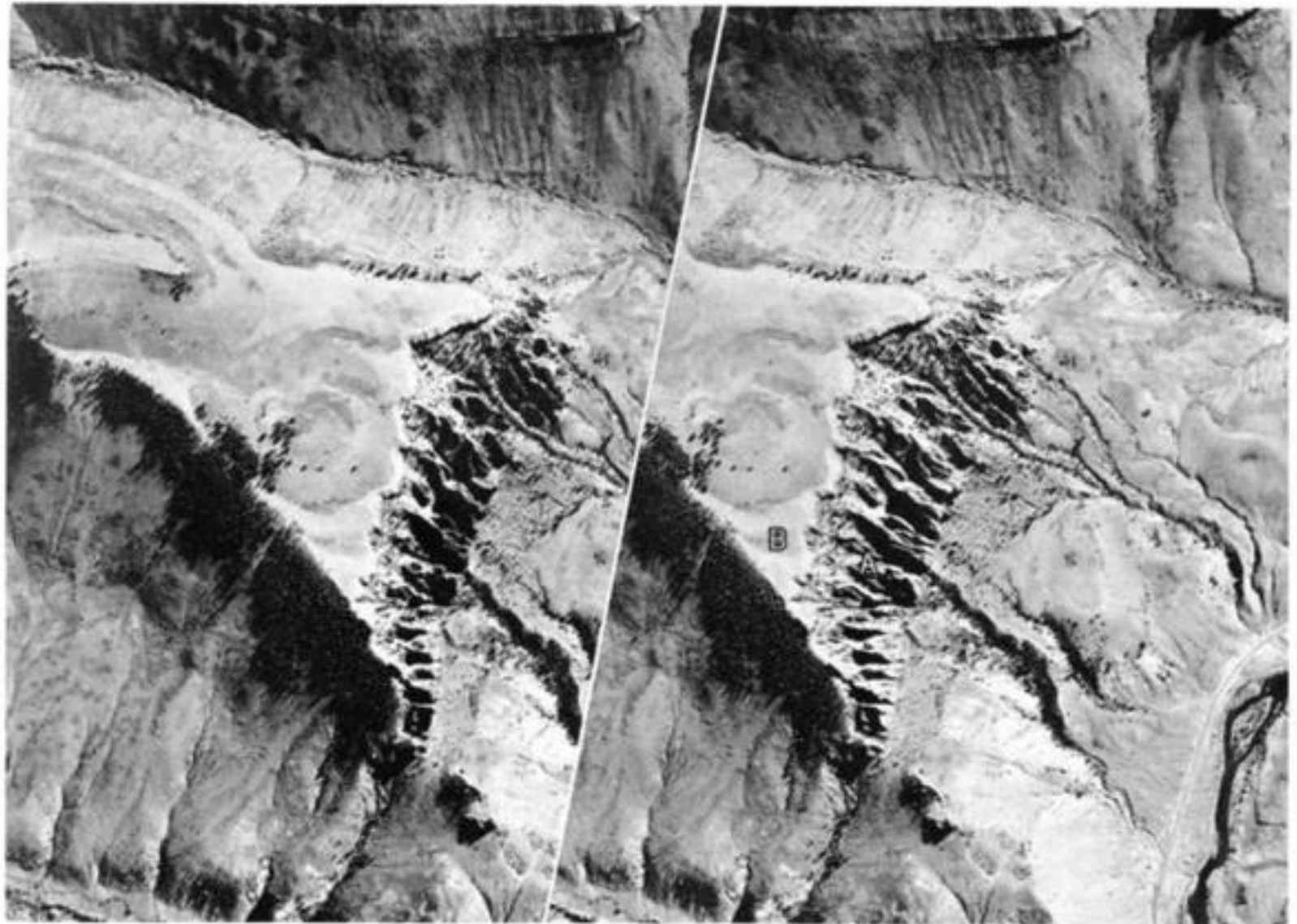


FIGURE 6.—Sketch showing long tributary streams on downdip side of strike valley in area of steep dips.



Stereoscopic pair

Approximately 1 mile

FIGURE 39.—POORLY RESISTANT PYROCLASTIC **ROCKS** OVERLAIN BY RESISTANT CAPPING FORMATION (COLORADO).

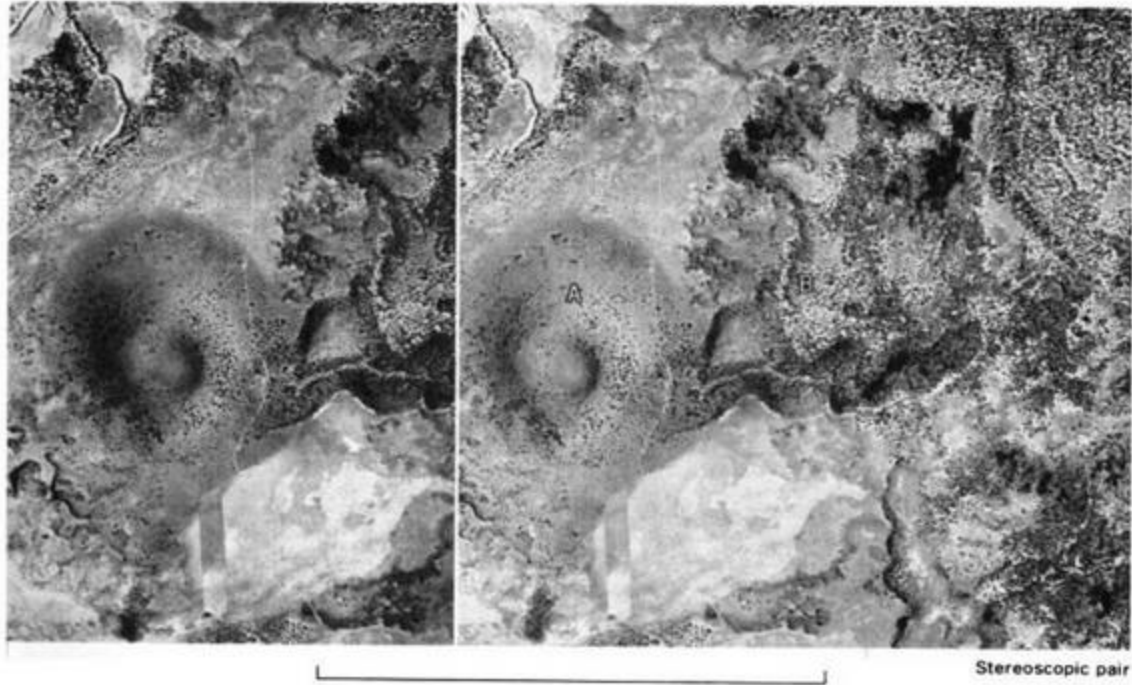


FIGURE 41.—EXTRUSIVE VOLCANIC ROCKS AND ASSOCIATED CINDER CONE (UTAH).



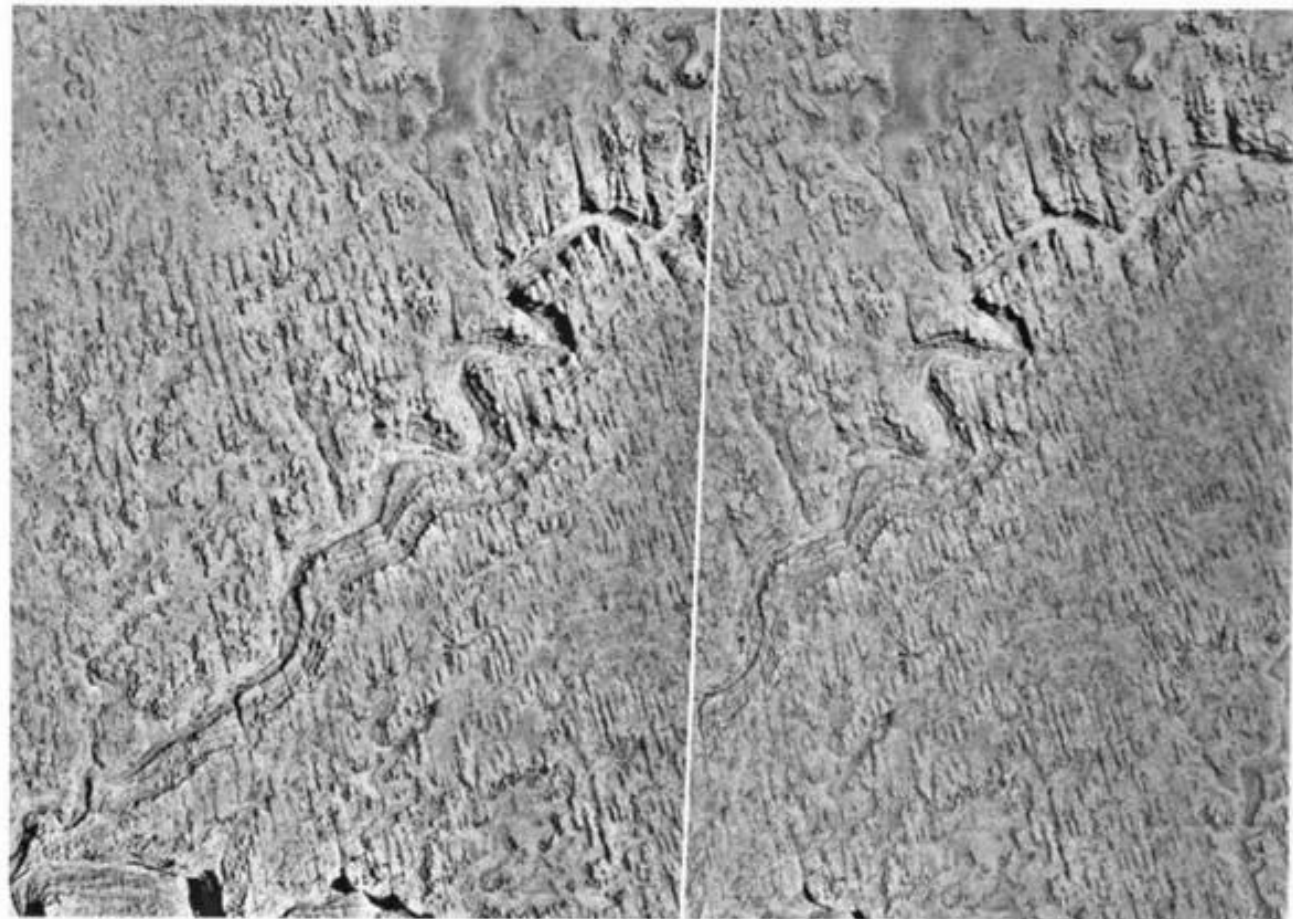
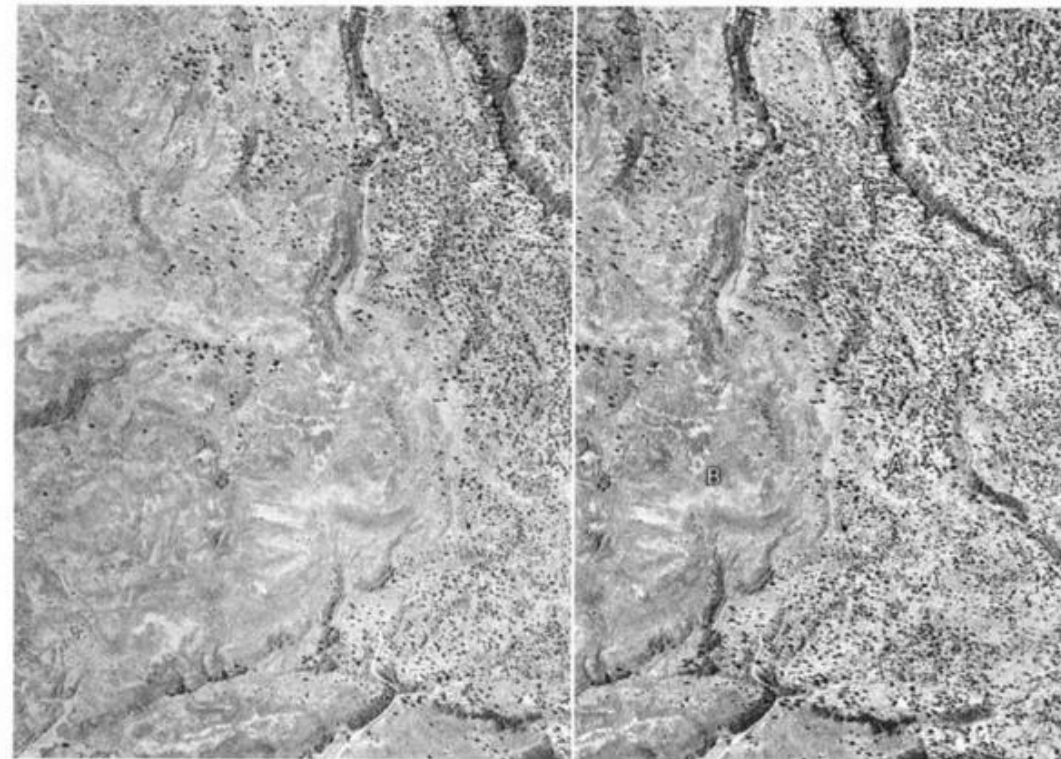


FIGURE 42.—FLAT-LYING SANDSTONE (SOUTHERN UTAH).

Prominent wide-spaced joints are shown by many short lineations. Where beds are essentially flat lying, joints commonly form in a right-angle pattern and give the terrain a blocky appearance locally, although one direction of jointing may dominate and give a conspicuous linearity

to the topographic grain. The light photographic tone and coarse-textured drainage is typical of coarse sedimentary rocks. Major drainage is dendritic; this pattern is commonly characteristic of flat-lying rocks. Minor drainage is controlled by joints.



Stereoscopic pair

Approximately 1 mile

FIGURE 43.—SANDSTONE AND CONGLOMERATE BEDS INTRUDED BY DIORITE PORPHYRY LACCOLITH (UTAH).

[Approximate scale 1:20,000. Photographs by Commodity Stabilization Service.]

Conspicuous contrast in vegetation results from different lithologic types. Sandstone and conglomerate beds, *A*, are covered largely with scattered tall jack, yellow, and ponderosa pine trees. Diorite porphyry, *B*, is covered with scrub oak as much as 10 feet high. This dense growth of

scrub oak forms a photographic texture that contrasts with areas covered with pines. Note serrated edges of bluffs, *C*, which are expressions of joints in sandstone and conglomerate beds.

# Mapping of Geology

The Mapping of Geology included

- Lithology
- Structure
- Minerals





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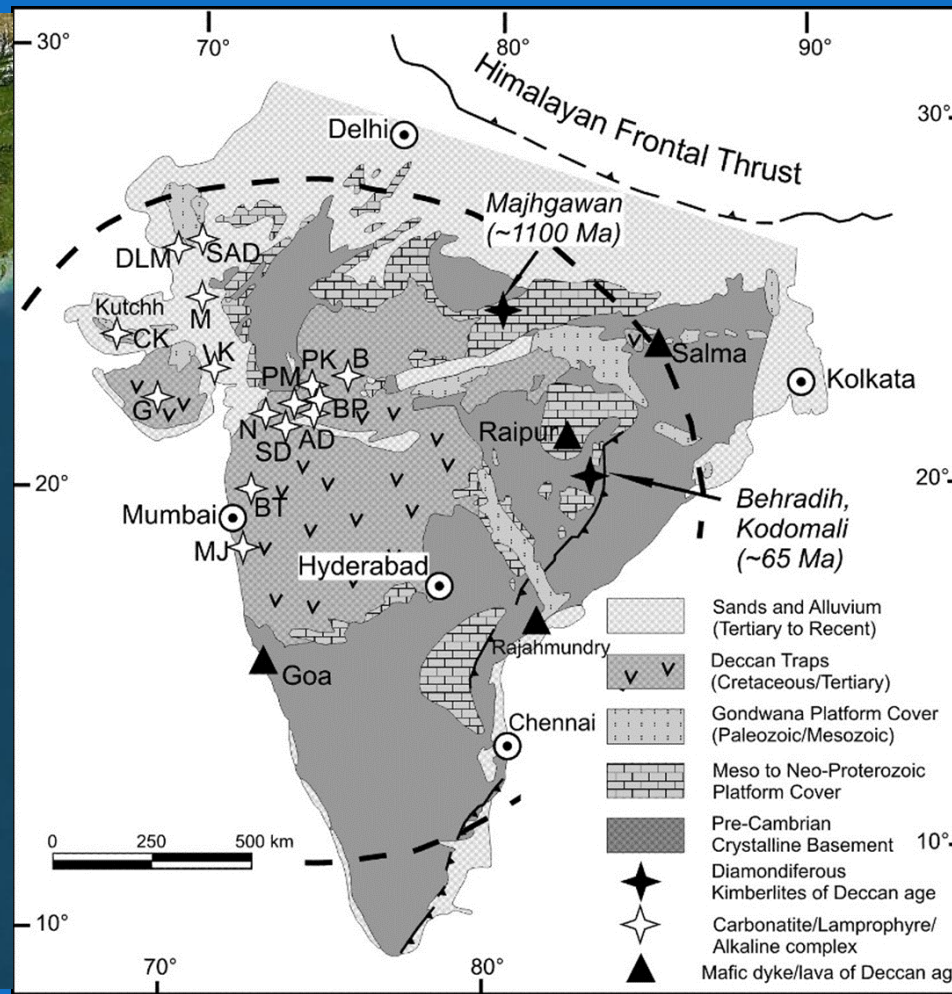


**Lonar Lake** is a saline soda lake located at Lonar in Buldana district, Maharashtra, India, which was created by a **meteor impact** during the Pleistocene Epoch.



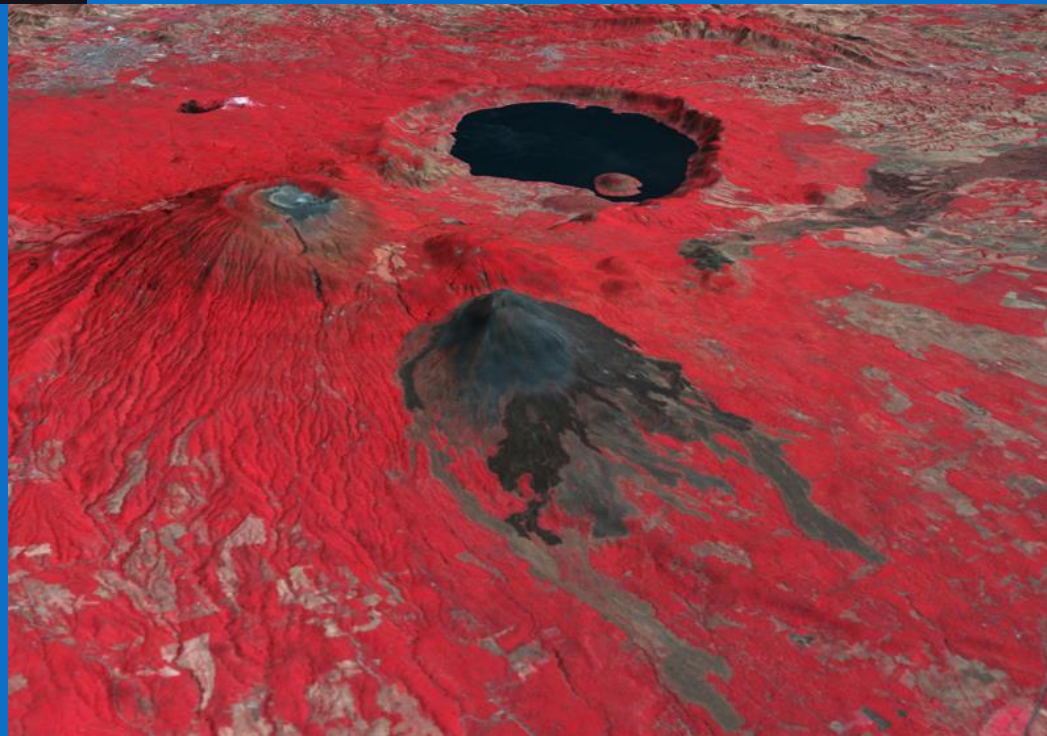
# Tonal variation for Igneous volcanic rock





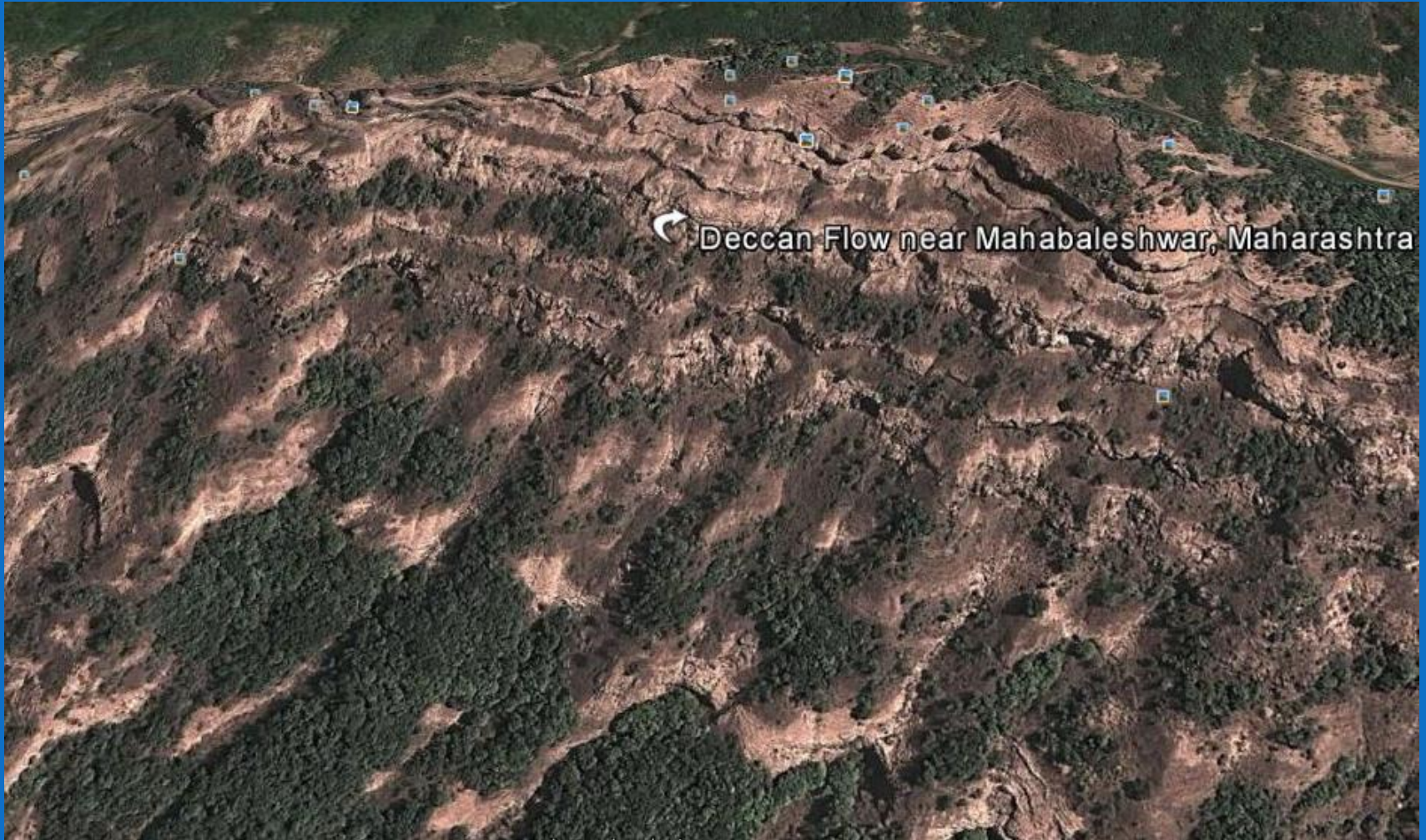


Lake Nicaragua





# Multiple flows (near Mahabaleshwar, Maharashtra)





# Near Kolhapur





Vesicular / Amygdoloidal

Columnar

Massive



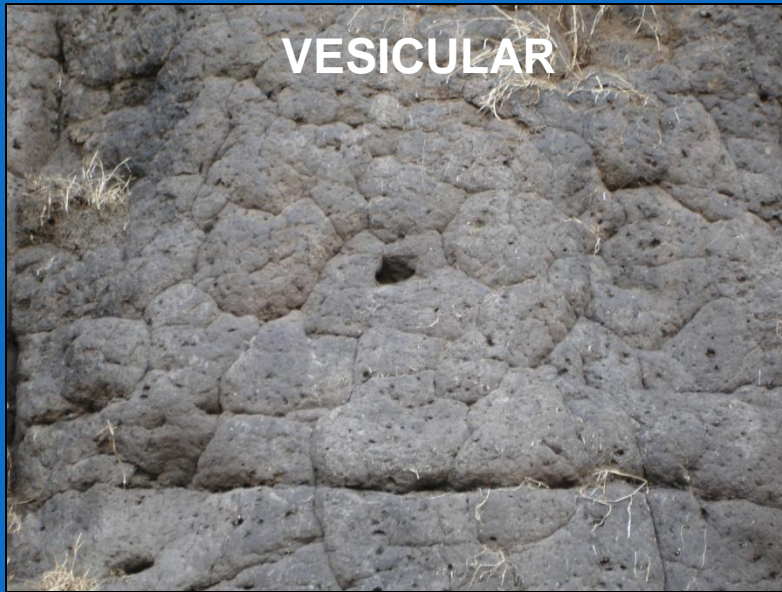




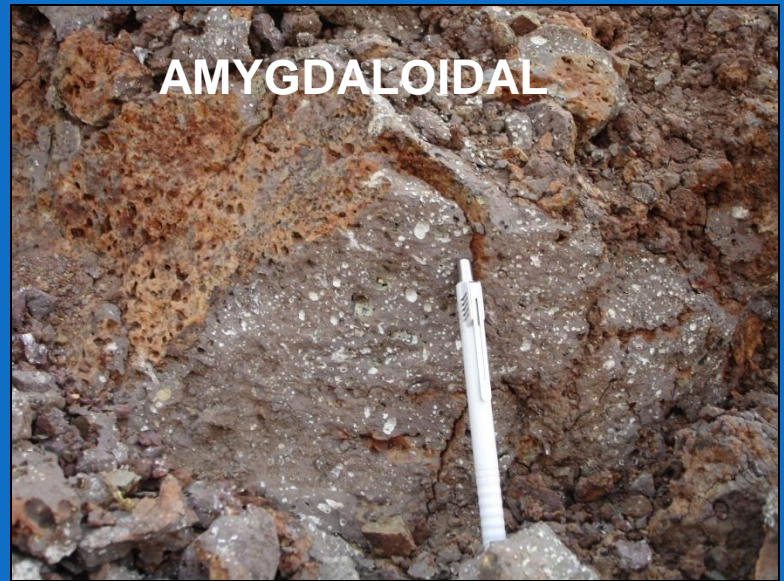
**MASSIVE**



**COLUMNAR**

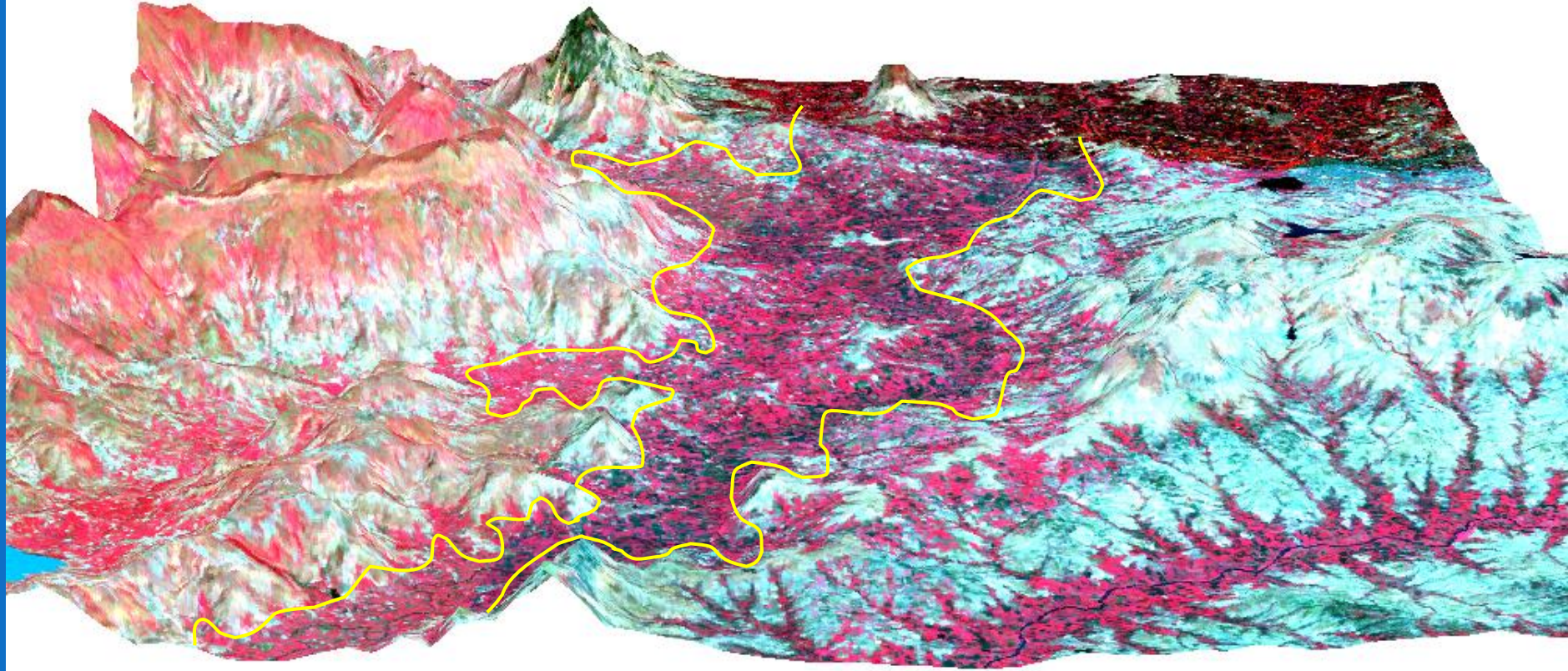


**VESICULAR**



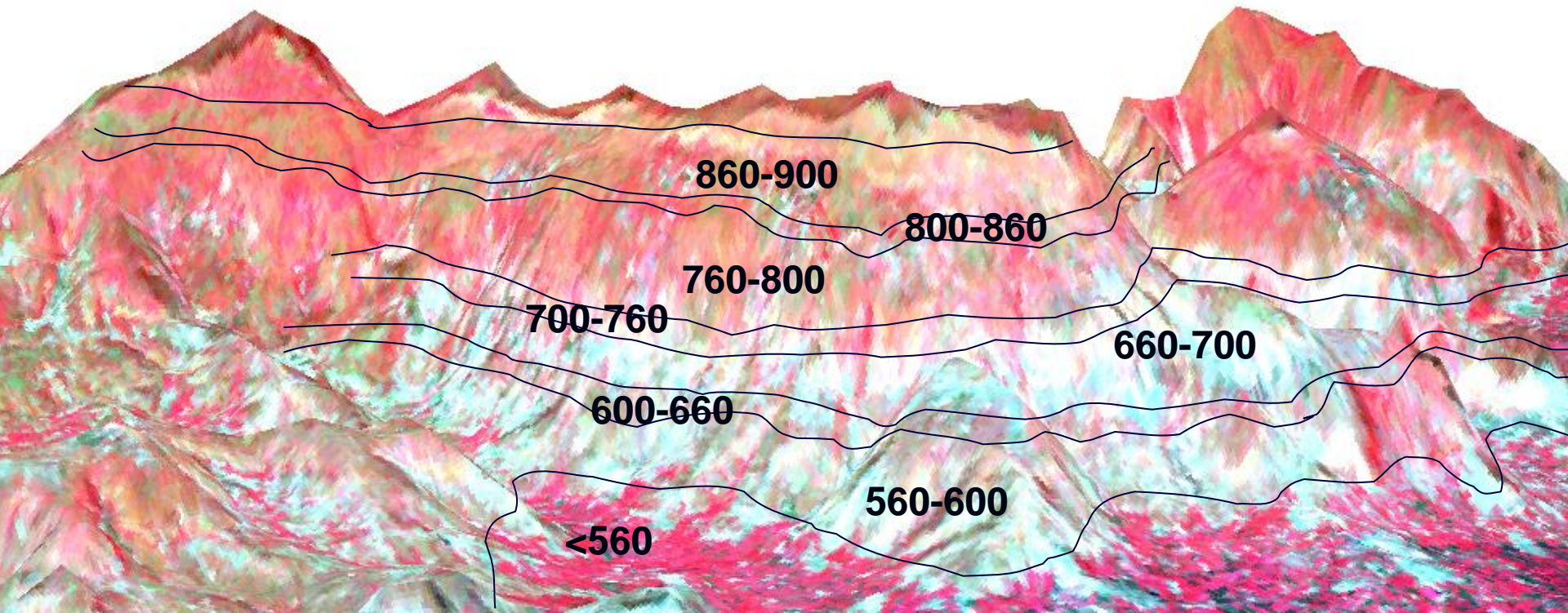
**AMYGDALOIDAL**







# DEM Wrapped FCC image showing different level of flow elevation





Country : Australia  
Area : Ayers Rock, Northern Territory  
Sensor : IKONOS  
Resolution (GSD) : 1 meter

Sedimentary rock  
Showing vertical dip







River section showing different layer of sedimentary rocks

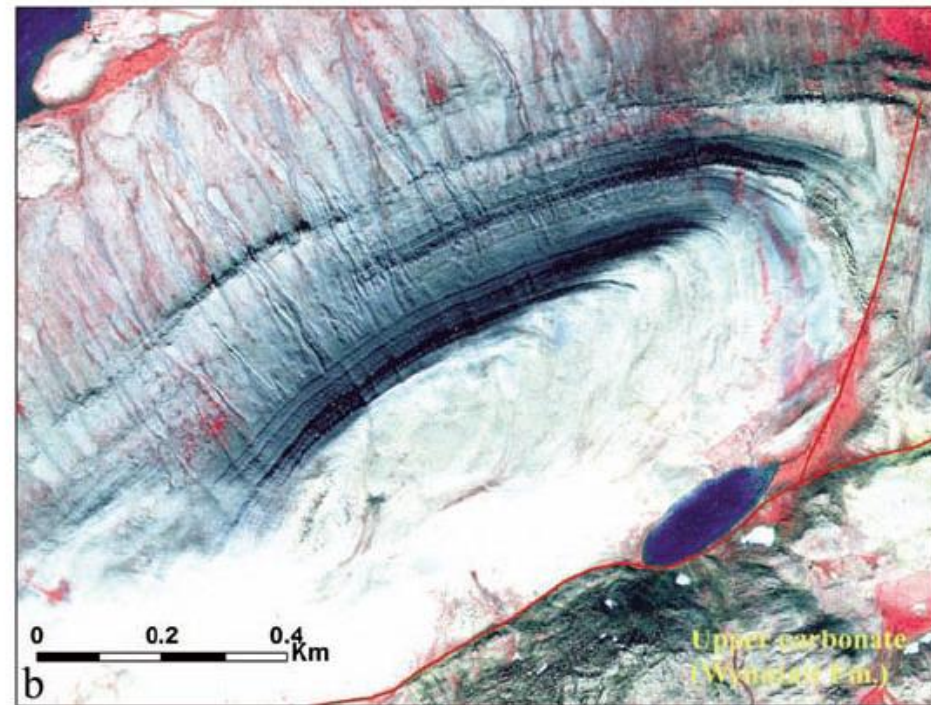
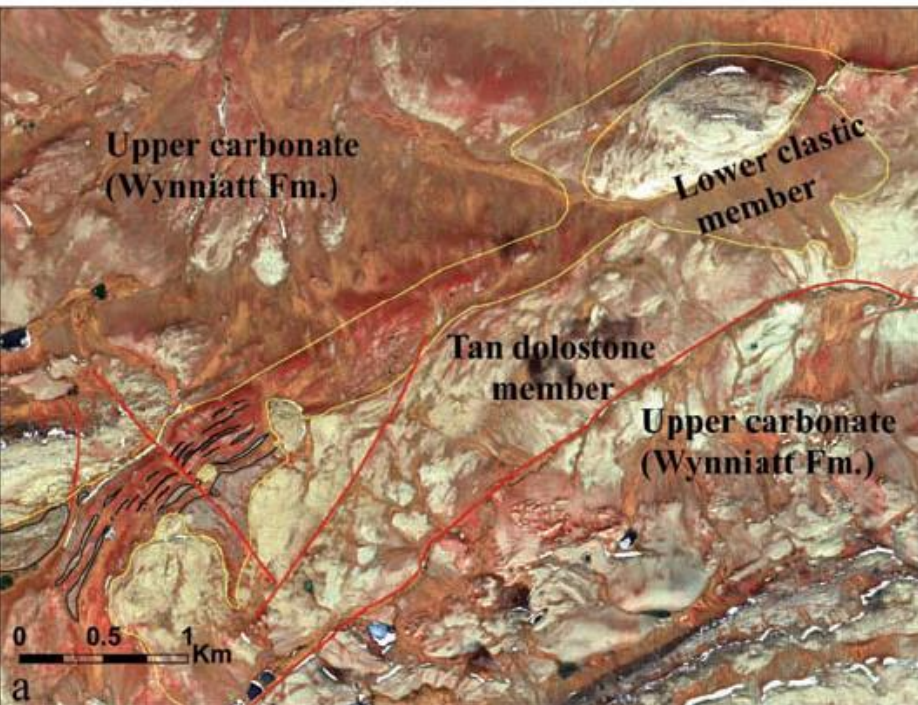
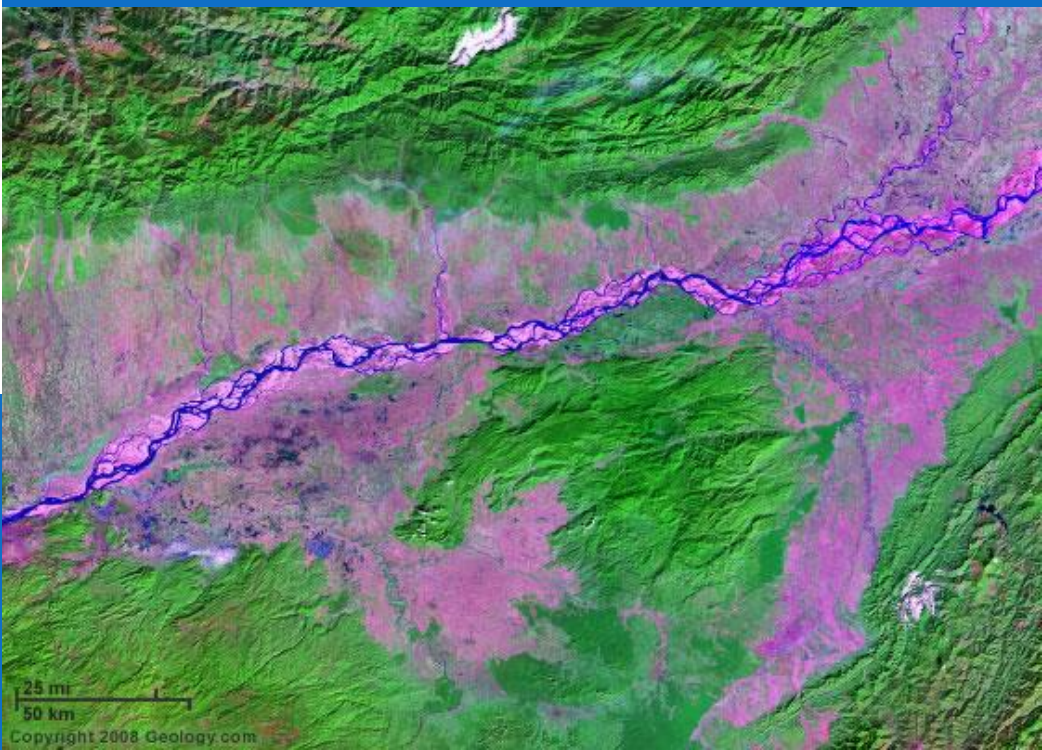
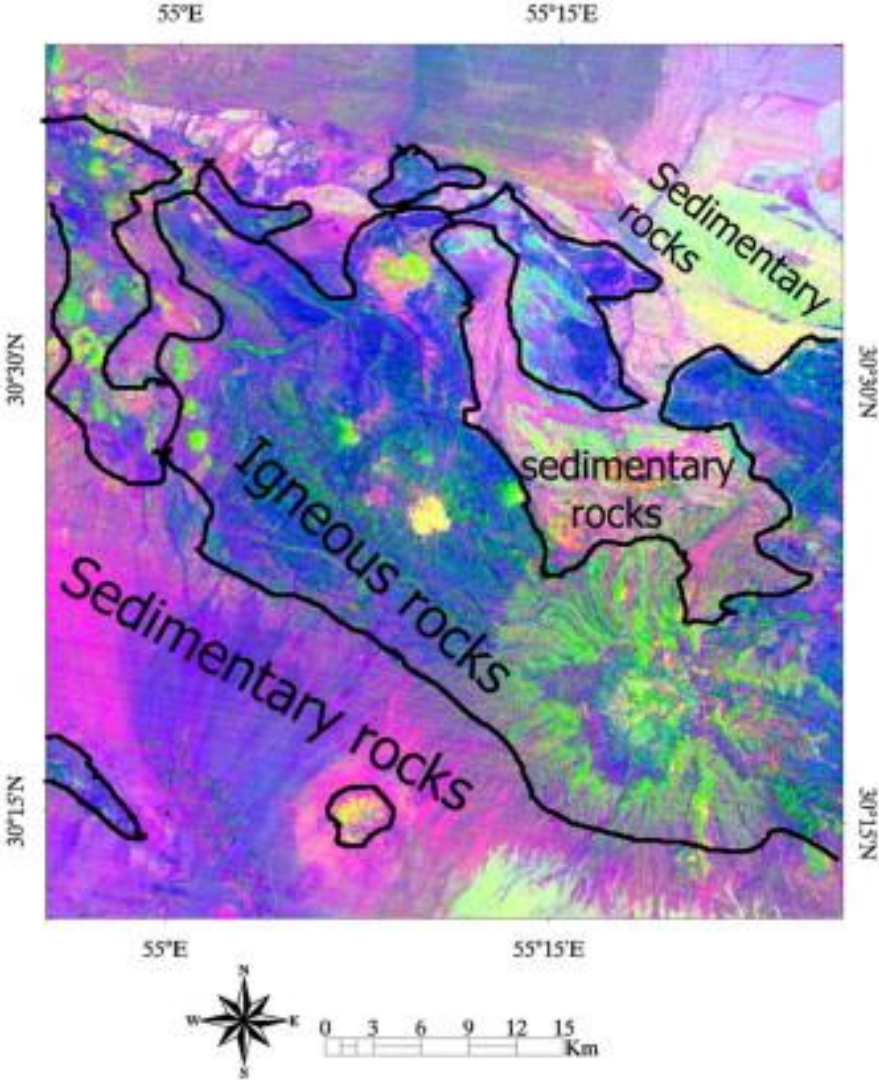
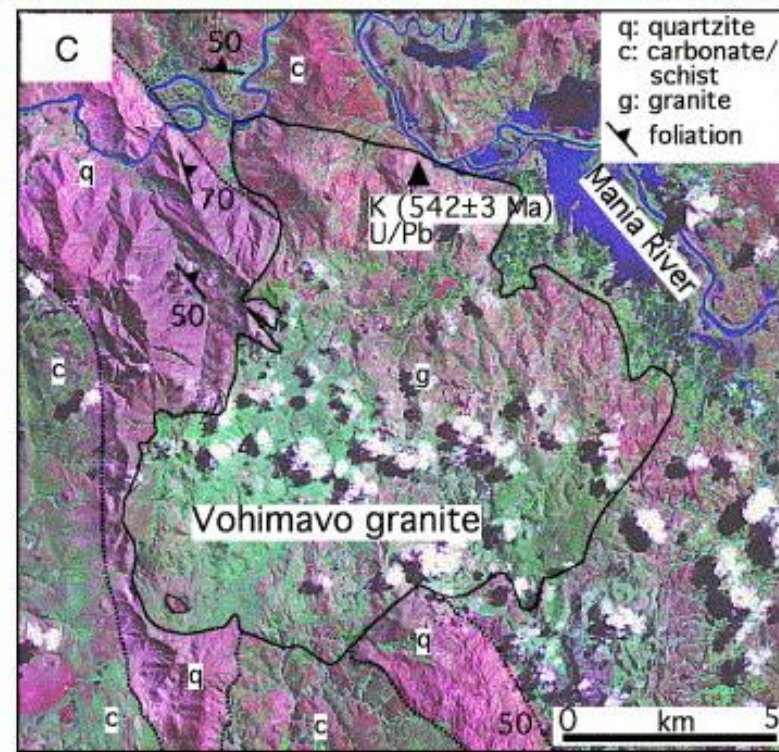
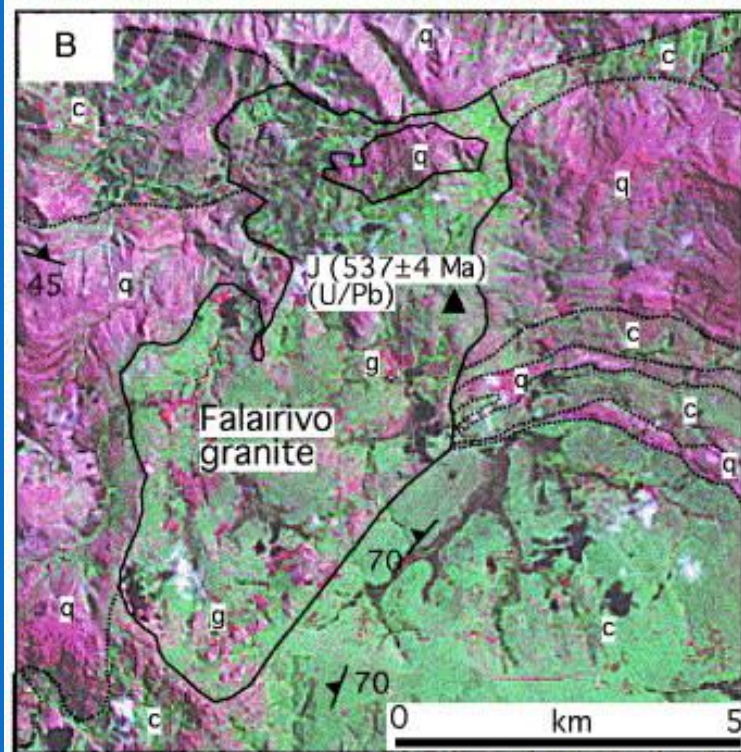
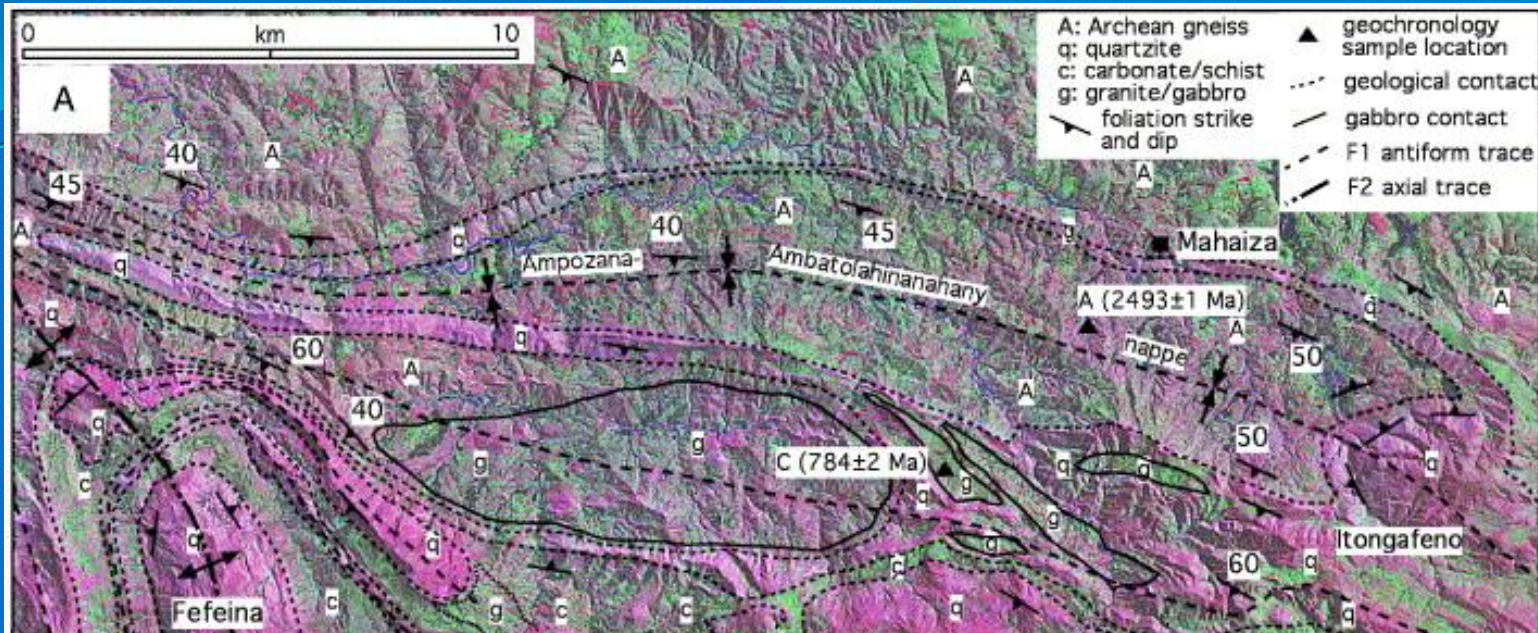


Figure 9. 4,3,2 GeoEye RGB colour composite image (a) A larger scale view of the Cambro Ordovician rocks. The light cream rocks are a tan dolostone member of the Cambrian formation which is clearly distinguished from the lower clastic member comprising quartz-arenite interlayers. The faults and lineaments are shown in red (b) Northeast corner of map area showing details of the Cambro-Ordovician strata.

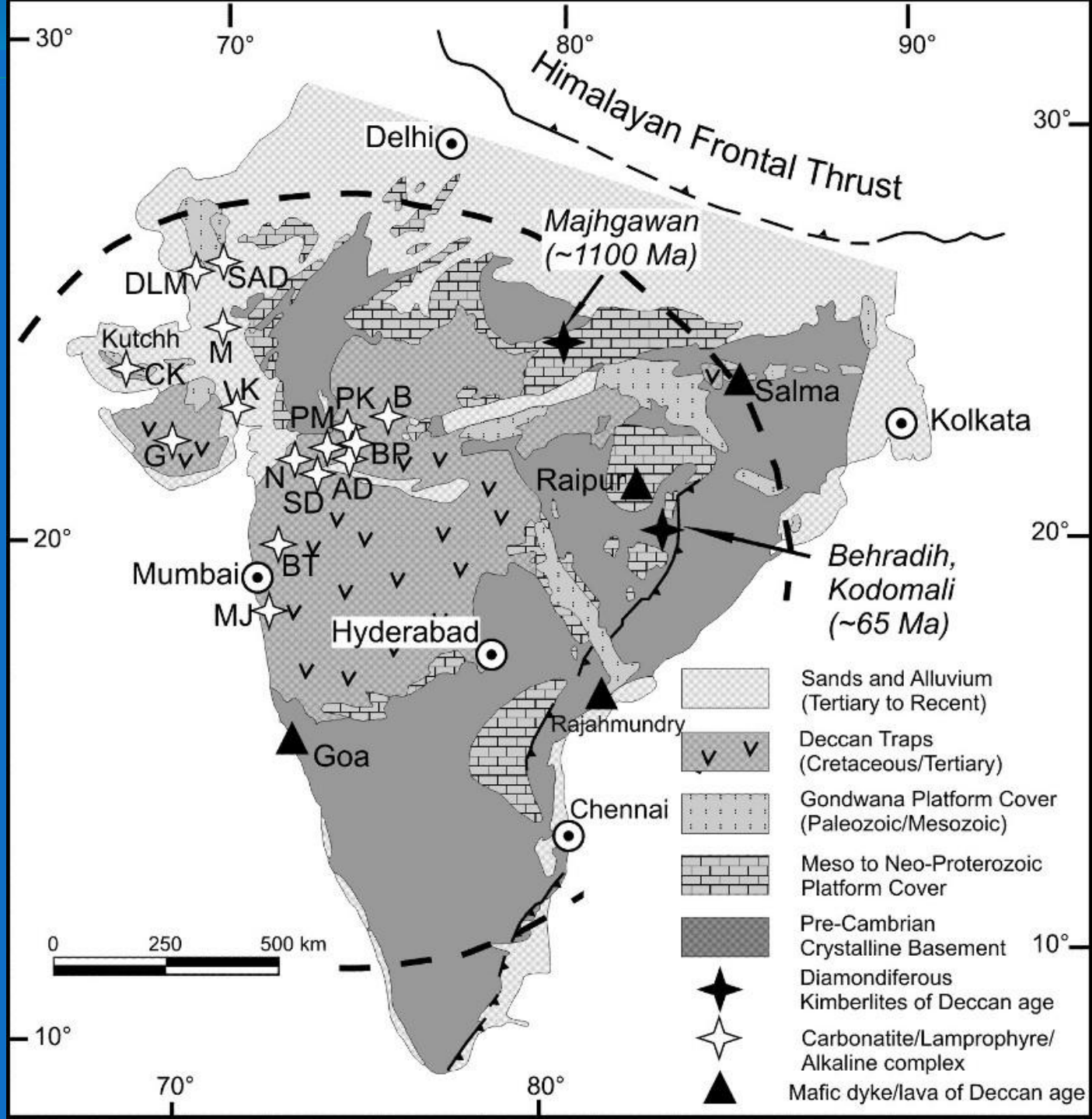
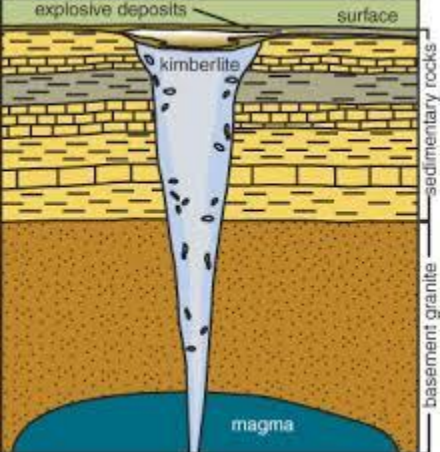














# Lithology

Table - 5.1: Classification of rock types / lithologic units

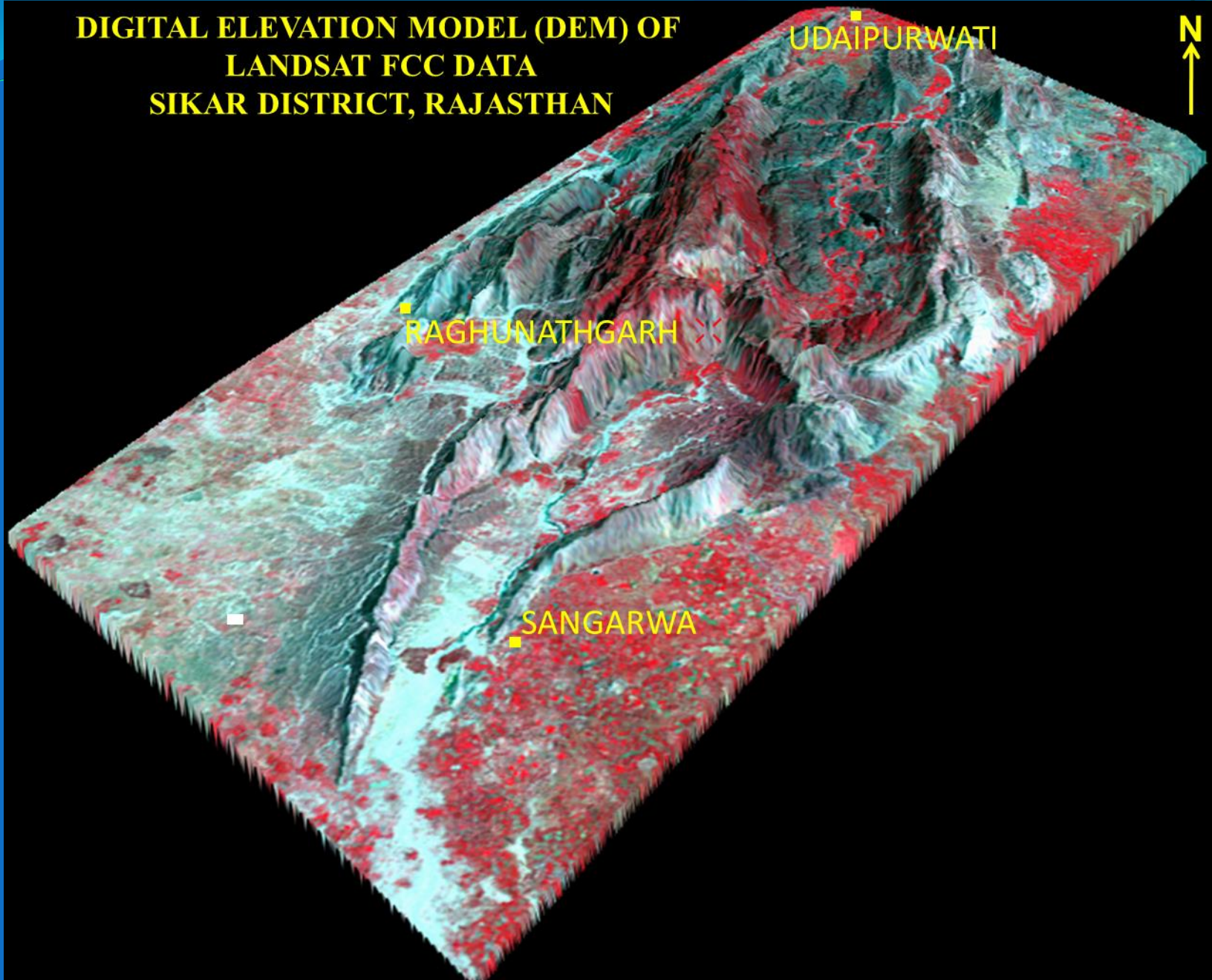
| Rock Group               | Code No. | Rock Type / Lithologic Unit                  |
|--------------------------|----------|--|
| UNCONSOLIDATED SEDIMENTS | 11       | Alluvium – sand/silt dominant                |
|                          | 12       | Alluvium – clay dominant                     |
|                          | 13       | Alluvium – sand/silt & clay alternating beds |
|                          | 14       | Colluvium – clay/silt dominant               |
|                          | 15       | Colluvium – pebble/cobble dominant           |
|                          | 16       | Eolian sand / silt                           |
|                          | 17       | Loess  |
|                          | 18       | Alluvium – Gravel dominant                   |
|                          | 19       | -----  |
| RESIDUAL CAPPINGS        | 21       | Laterite (ferricrete)                        |
|                          | 22       | Bauxite (alcrete)                            |
|                          | 23       | Kankar (calcrete)                            |
|                          | 24       | Chert (silcrete)                             |
|                          | 25       | Detrital laterite / bauxite                  |
|                          | 26       | -----  |

|                                 |    |  |
|---------------------------------|----|--|
| DECCAN TRAPS & INTERTRAPPEANS   | 31 | Inter-/Infra-trappean sand / clay beds                 |
|                                 | 32 | Tuffaceous basalt                                      |
|                                 | 33 | Vesicular basalt                                       |
|                                 | 34 | Amygdaloidal basalt                                    |
|                                 | 35 | Massive basalt   |
|                                 | 36 | Columnar basalt  |
|                                 | 37 | Red / green bole                                       |
|                                 | 38 | Unclassified basalt                                    |
|                                 | 39 | -----  |
| OTHER VOLCANICS & METAVOLCANICS | 41 | Basalt / meta basalt                                   |
|                                 | 42 | Rhyolite / meta rhyolite                               |
|                                 | 43 | Dacite / meta dacite                                   |
|                                 | 44 | Andesite / meta andesite                               |
|                                 | 45 | Undifferentiated meta basics                           |
|                                 | 46 | Ophiolite / Ophiolite melange                          |
|                                 | 47 | -----  |
| SEMI-CONSOLIDATED SEDIMENTS     | 51 | Sandstone / pebble bed / conglomerate                  |
|                                 | 52 | Shaly sandstone  |
|                                 | 53 | Sandstone with shale / coal bands                      |
|                                 | 54 | Sandy shale  |
|                                 | 55 | Shale with sandstone / limestone bands                 |
|                                 | 56 | Shale / coal / lignite                                 |
|                                 | 57 | Limestone / shell limestone                            |
|                                 | 58 | Limestone with shale bands                             |
|                                 | 59 | Cemented assorted mixture of gravel, sand, silt & clay |

|  |    |  |
|--|----|--|
| CONSOLIDATED<br>SEDIMENTS  | 61 | Thin bedded / flaggy sandstone / quartzite                   |
|  | 62 | Thick bedded / massive sandstone/ quartzite                  |
|  | 63 | Thin bedded / flaggy limestone / dolomite                    |
|  | 64 | Thick bedded / massive limestone/ dolomite                   |
|  | 65 | Shaly limestone  |
|  | 66 | Shale with limestone/sandstone bands/ lenses                 |
|  | 67 | Shale  |
|  | 68 | Conglomerate   |
|  | 69 | Cavernous limestone  |
| PLUTONIC ROCKS   | 71 | Alkaline rocks   |
|  | 72 | Basic rocks  |
|  | 73 | Ultrabasic / ultramafic rocks                                |
|  | 74 | -----  |
| GNEISS-GRANITOID<br>COMPLEX /<br>CHARNOKITE<br>KHONDALITE<br>COMPLEX /<br>MIGMATITE<br>COMPLEX | 81 | Granites / Acidic rocks                                      |
|  | 82 | Migmatite / migmatite complex                                |
|  | 83 | Granitoid gneiss / gneissic granitoid /<br>granitoid complex |
|  | 84 | Charnockite  |
|  | 85 | Khondalite   |
|  | 86 | Charnockite-Khondalite complex                               |
|  | 87 | -----  |

|                      |    |                                     |                         |
|----------------------|----|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| METAMORPHIC<br>ROCKS | 91 | Gneiss                              |                         |
|                      | 92 | Schist                              |                         |
|                      | 93 | Phyllite                            |                         |
|                      | 94 | Slate                               |                         |
|                      | 95 | Quartzite                           |                         |
|                      | 96 | Calc-gneiss / calc-schist           |                         |
|                      | 97 | Marble / crystalline limestone      |                         |
|                      | 98 | Undifferentiated meta sedimentaries |                         |
|                      | 99 | Undifferentiated Metamorphics       |                         |
| INTRUSIVES           | Q  | Q                                   | Quartz reef             |
|                      | P  | P                                   | Pegmatite / aplite vein |
|                      | D  | D                                   | Basic dyke              |
|                      |    |                                     | Basic sill              |

**DIGITAL ELEVATION MODEL (DEM) OF  
LANDSAT FCC DATA  
SIKAR DISTRICT, RAJASTHAN**



# Structural Features

- ✓ **Fold**
- ✓ **Fault**
- ✓ **Fracture / Lineament**
- ✓ **Shear Zone**
- ✓ **Thrust**
- ✓ **Joints**

## **Intrusive Bodies**

- ✓ **Quartz Reef**
- ✓ **Pegmatite / Aplite vein**
- ✓ **Basic Dyke**
- ✓ **Basic Sill ridge**

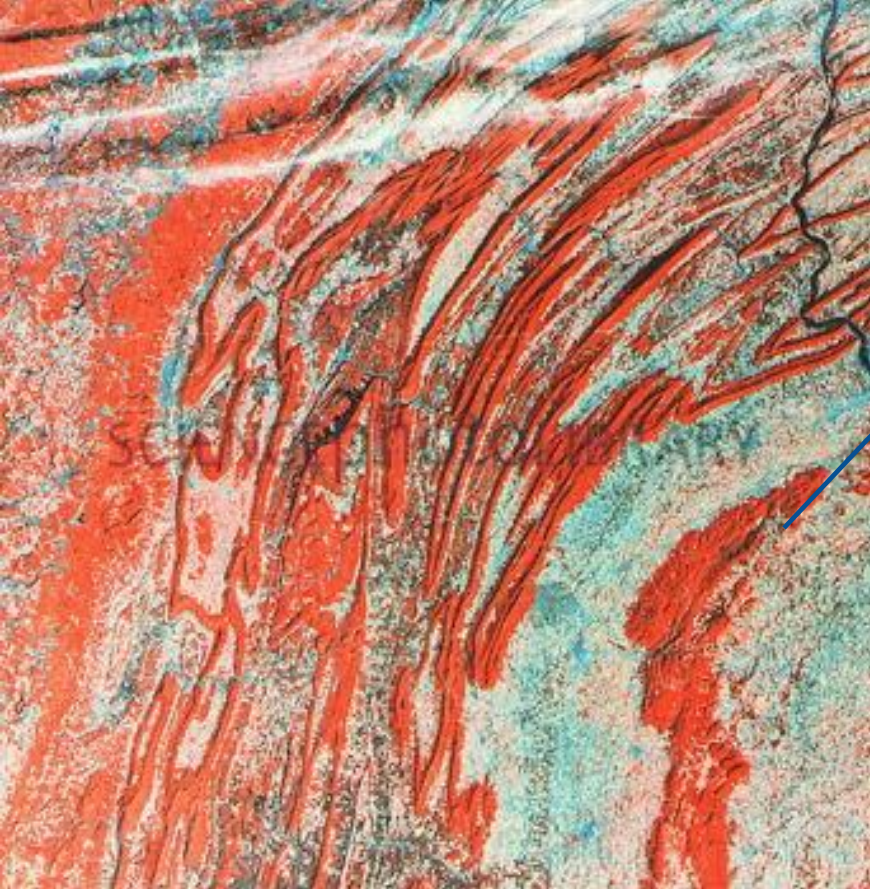
# Mapping of structures from satellite imagery



## Folds –

Folds may be defined as **undulations** or **bends** or **curvatures** developed in the rocks of the crust as a result of stresses to which these rock have been subjected from time to time in the past history of the earth.

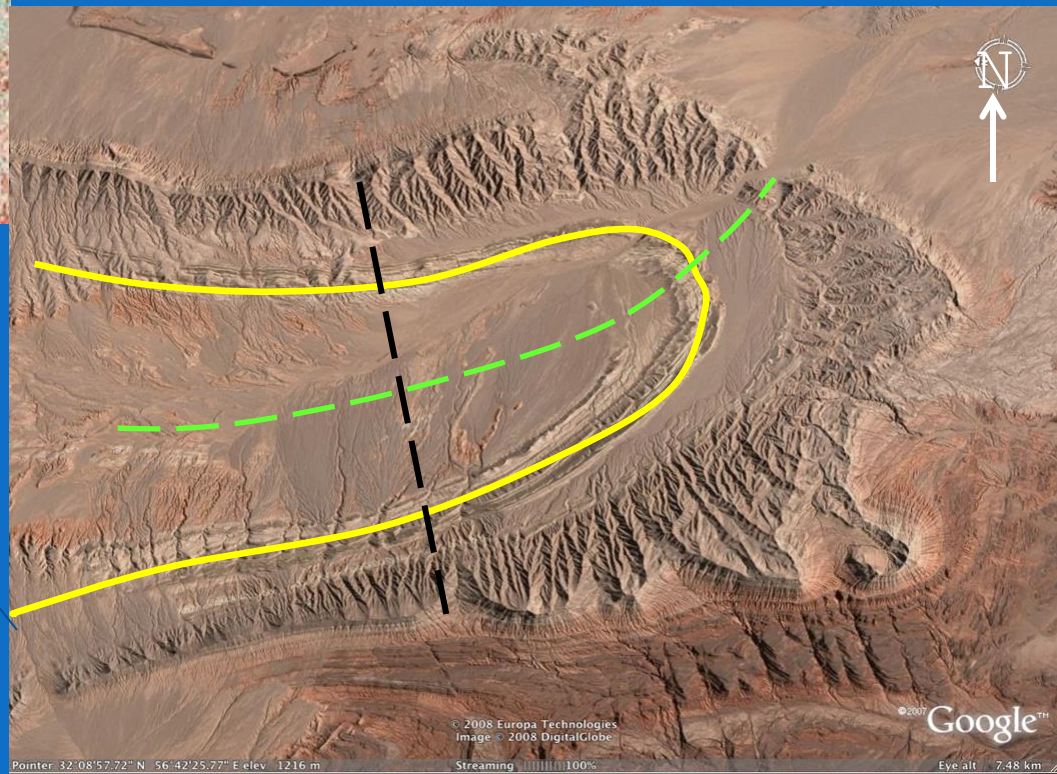




How many fold generations can we interpret from this image?

Find out the rock type?

Find out fold axis and axial plane from this Google image.

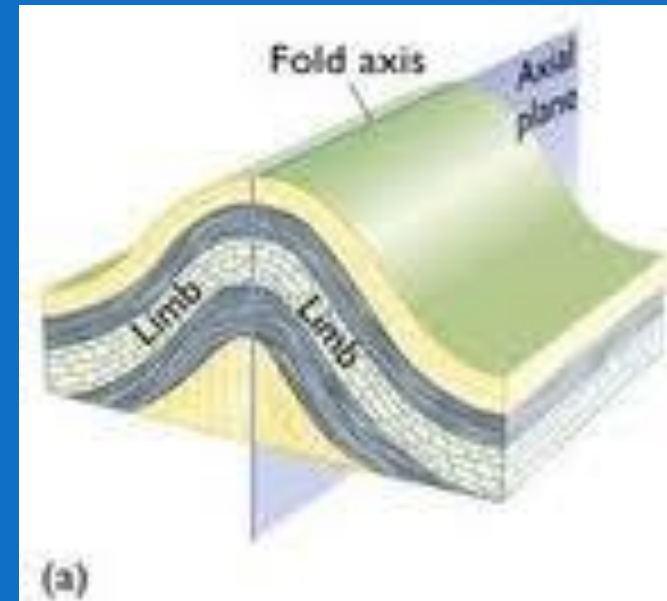






What type of structure present in this picture?

Is it possible to identify plunge from this picture?





# Landsat Imagery showing fold





1. Fold
2. Fault
3. Dyke (generally follow the weak zone)
4. Lineament (linear and curvi-linear) is surface expression of zone of weakness





• Yachavaram

• Magaturu

• Ardhaveedu

• Donakonda

• Kakarla

↪ Near Cuddapah basin, A.P

• Jangamguntla

• Mohiddinpuram

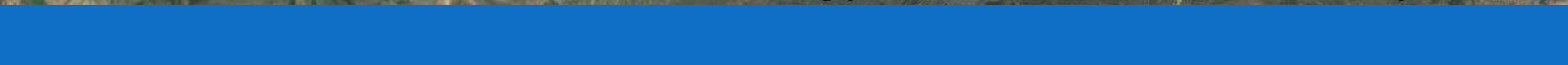
• Nagulavaram



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Google earth

Imagery Date: 2/18/2012 15°39'38.52" N 79°03'33.16" E elev 232 m eye alt 20.75 km





Which one is Younger? Dh1 or Dh2





**Cajon Pass**

**Spring Valley Lake**

**San Andreas Fault**

**San Gabriel Mtns**

**San Bernardino Mtns**

**Los Angeles**

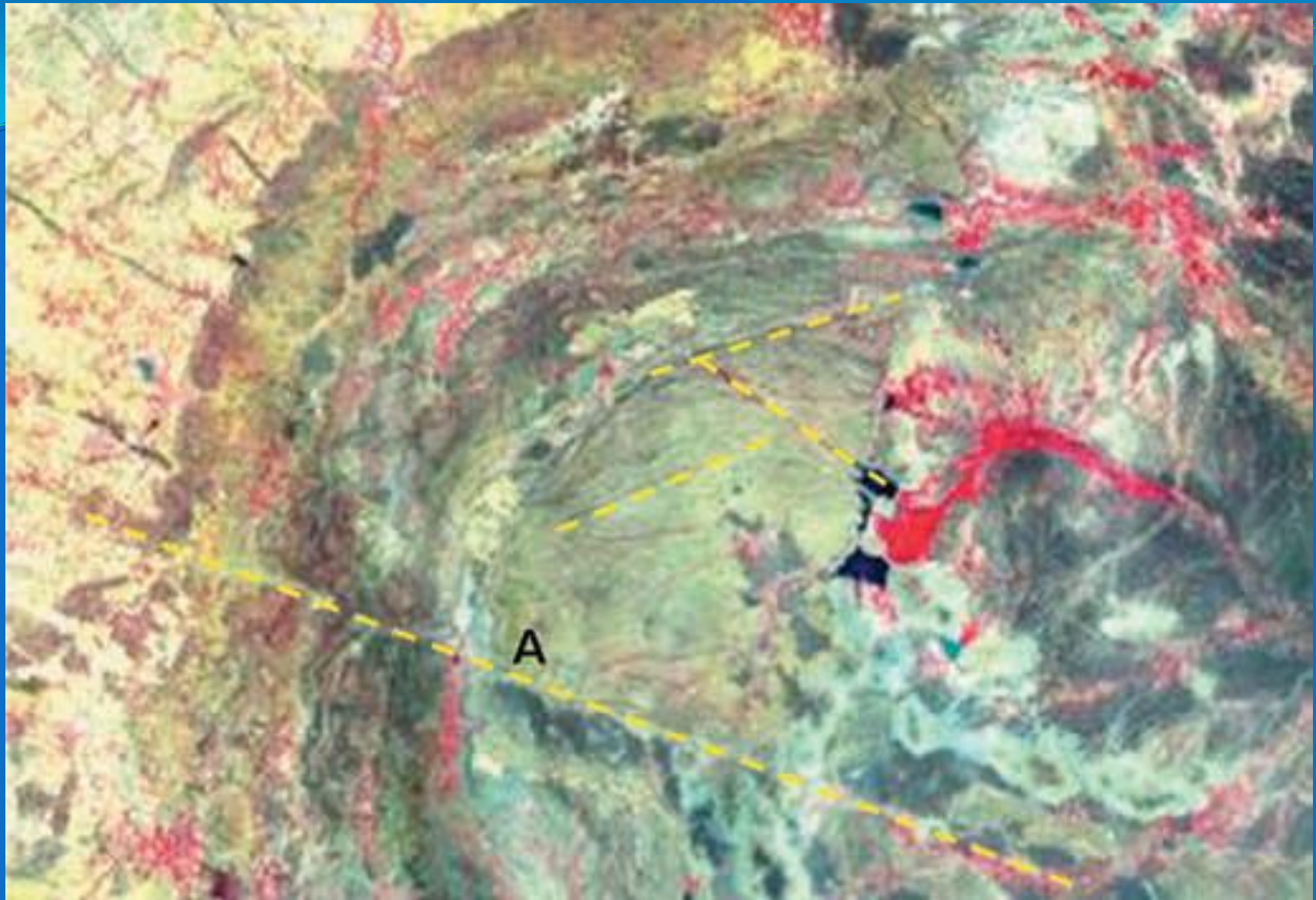
Paleo path can be established using meander scars and oxbow lakes



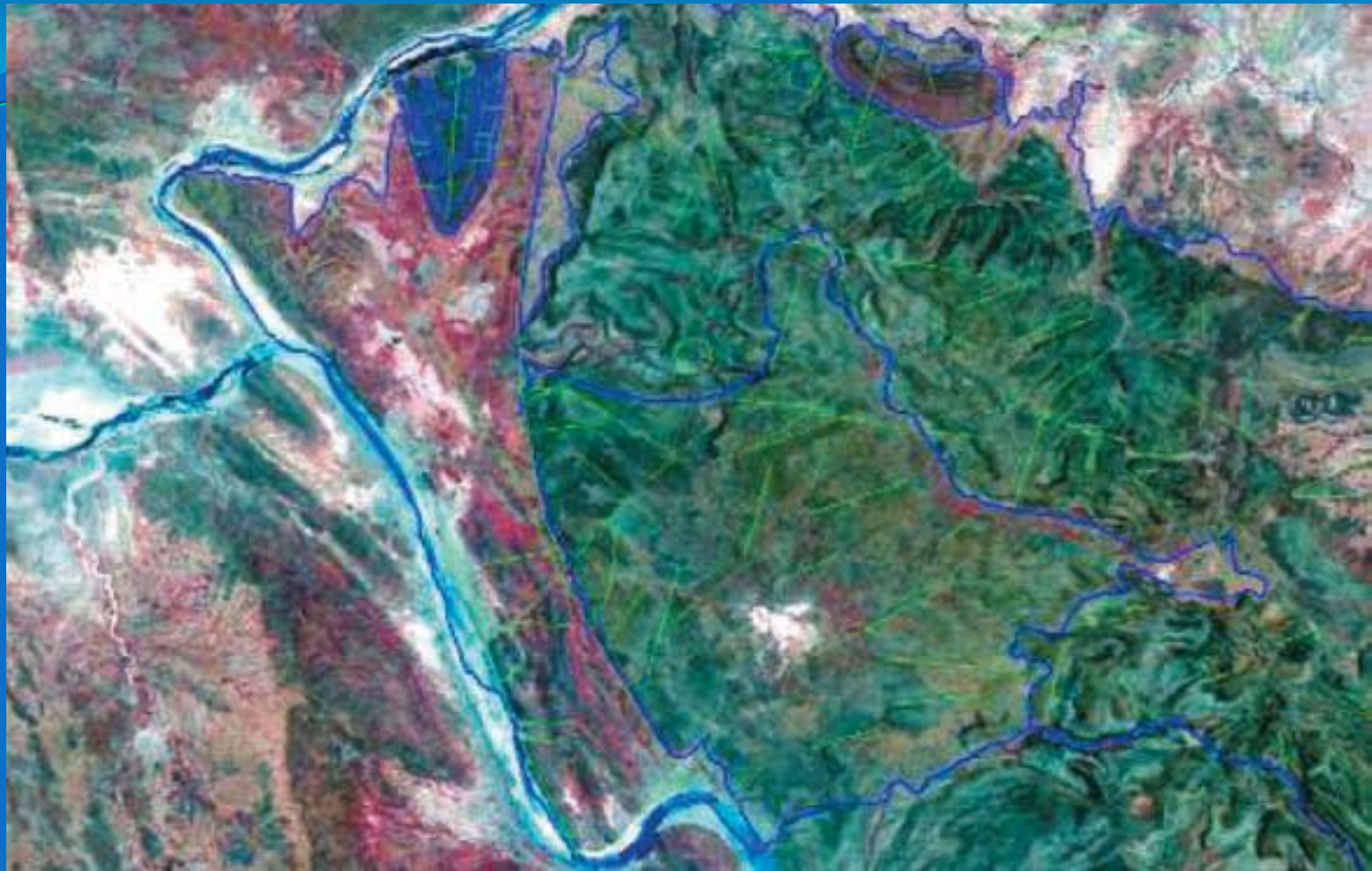
Oxbow Lake can be identified based on the crescent shape and associated features such as meanders using satellite imagery





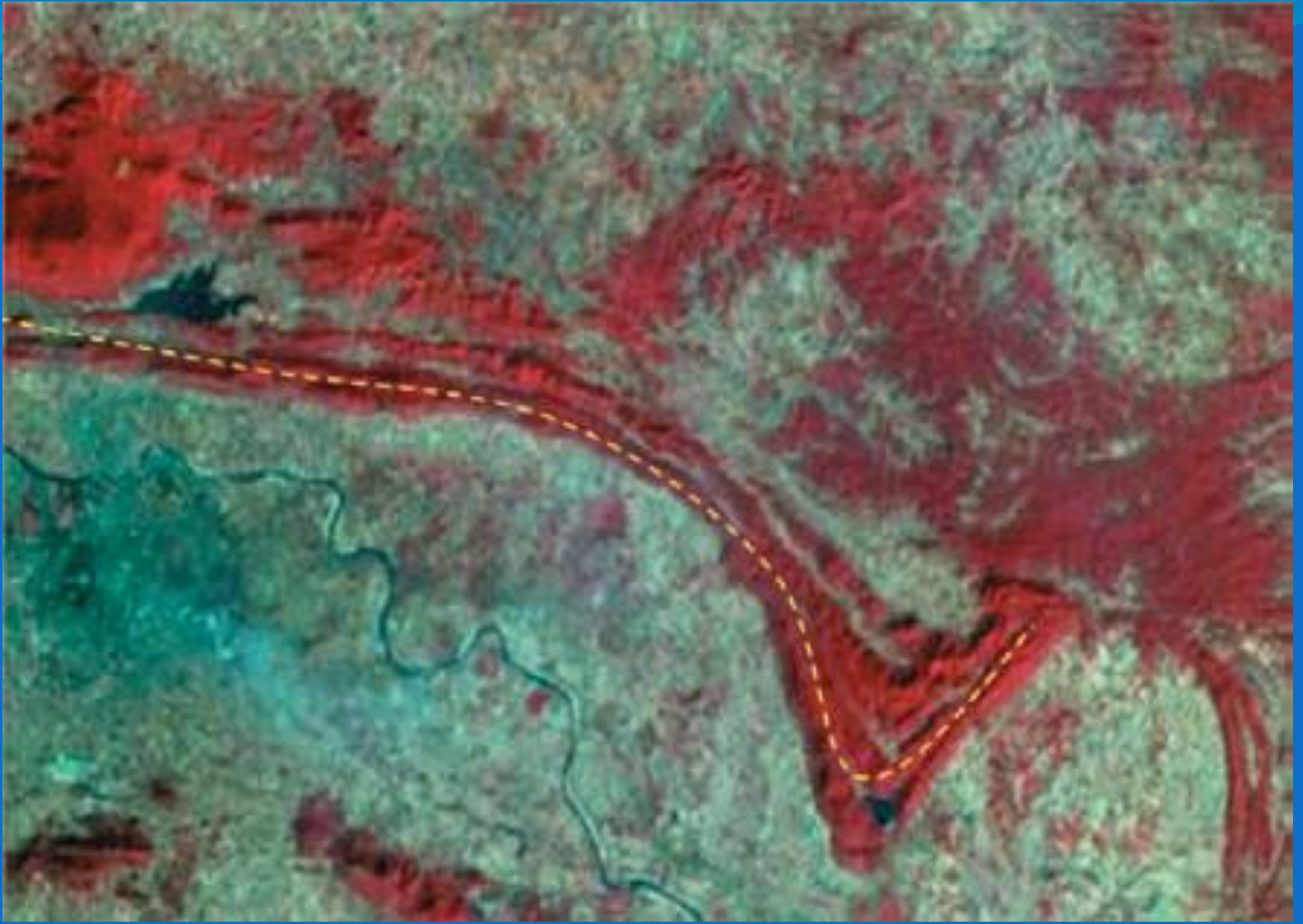


Fracture marked by yellow colour in parts of Kurnool basin. A mega **fault** with length more than 3 Km is marked at 'A'.

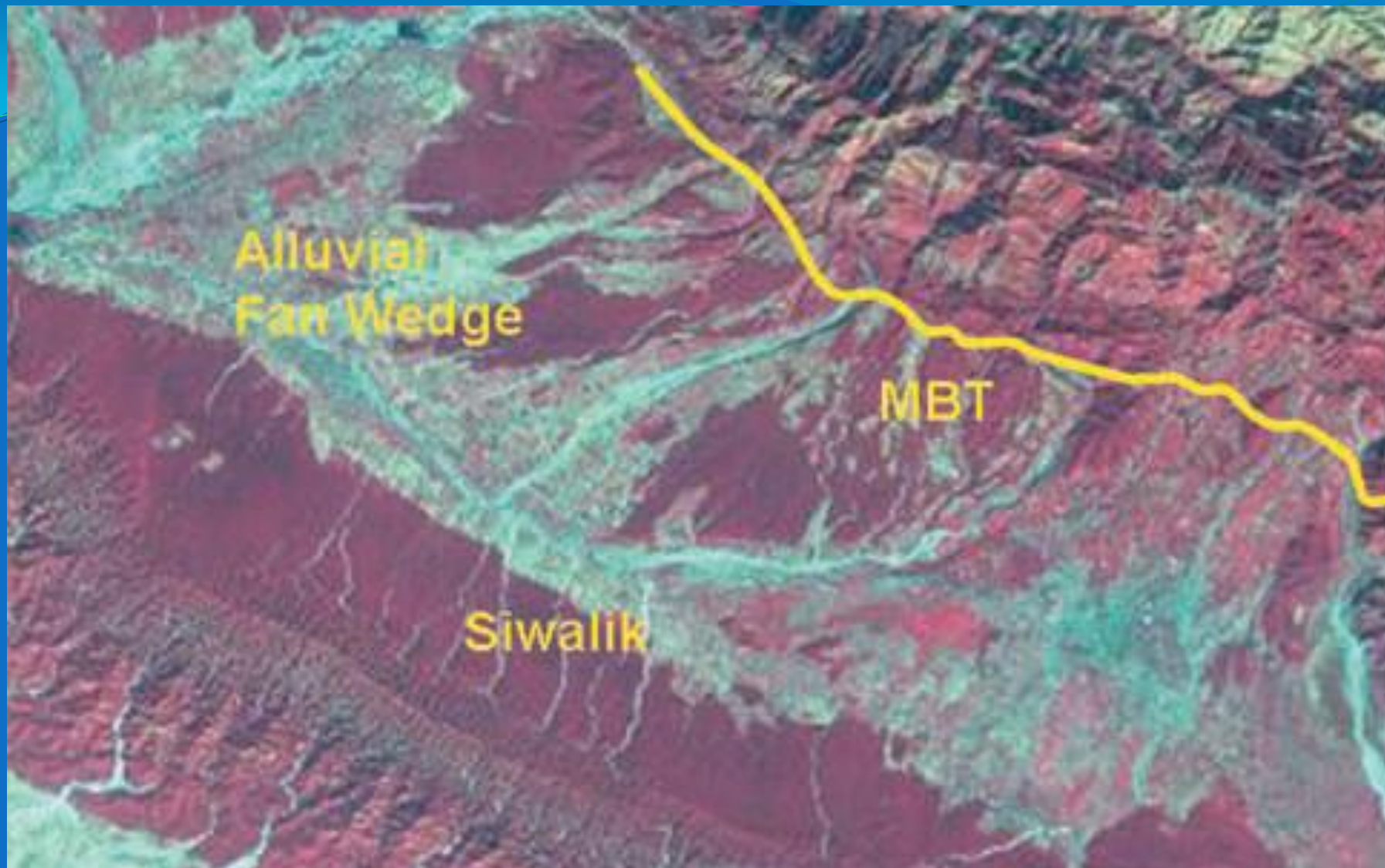


Structural hills (SH) in part of South Bastar district, Chhattisgarh state. The structural hills are made up of various lithounits viz., phyllite/schist (Phy), sandstone (SSt) and quartzite (Qtz). Granite gneiss (Gr-Gn) form the pediplains seen in the NE corner of the image. Number of geological structures, viz., **folds, faults & lineaments/fractures** are mapped in the SH.





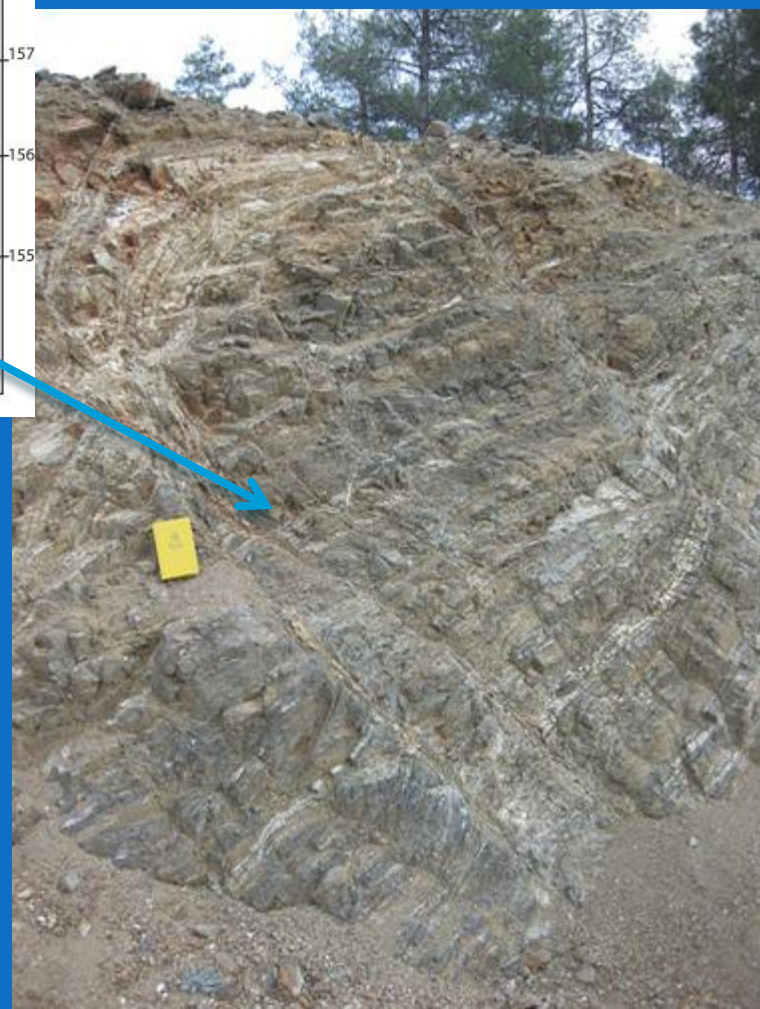
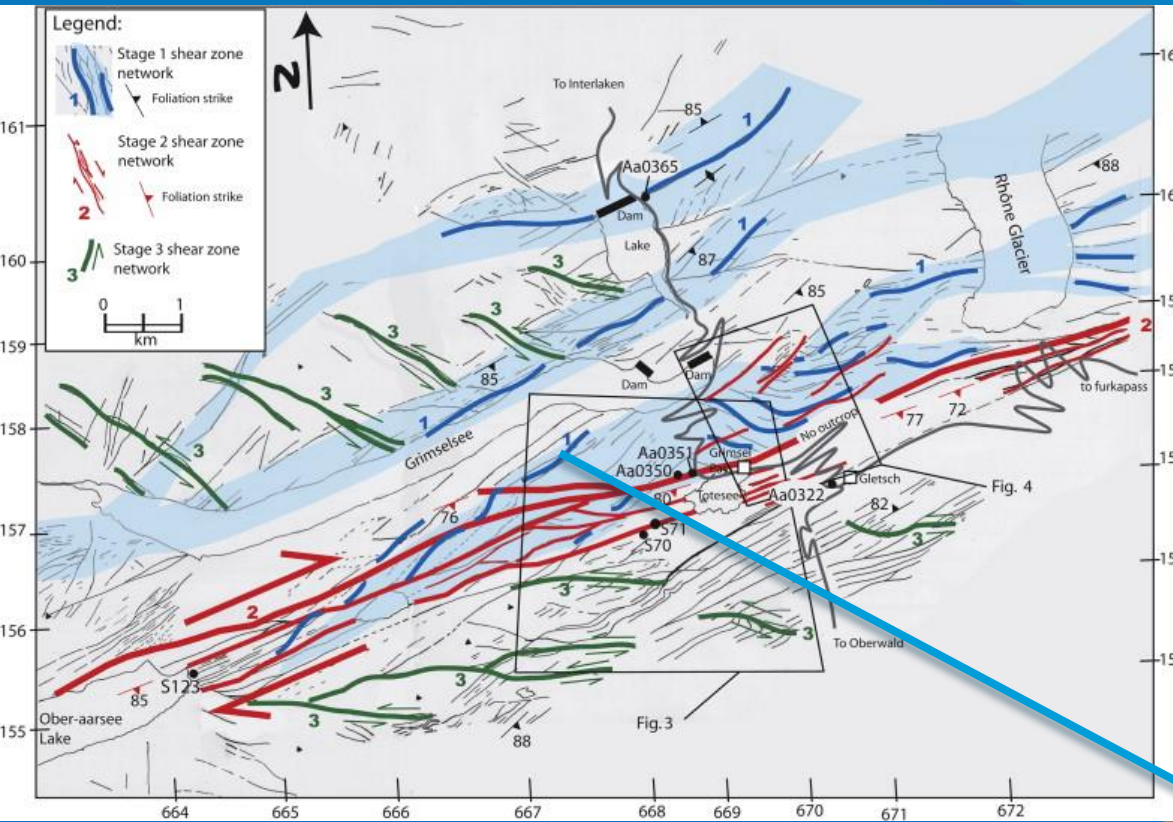
Singbhum thrust zone marked in yellow colour. It's a mega **thrust**.



Main **Boundary Fault** (thrust fault) in IRS P6 LISS III data.



# Shear Zone

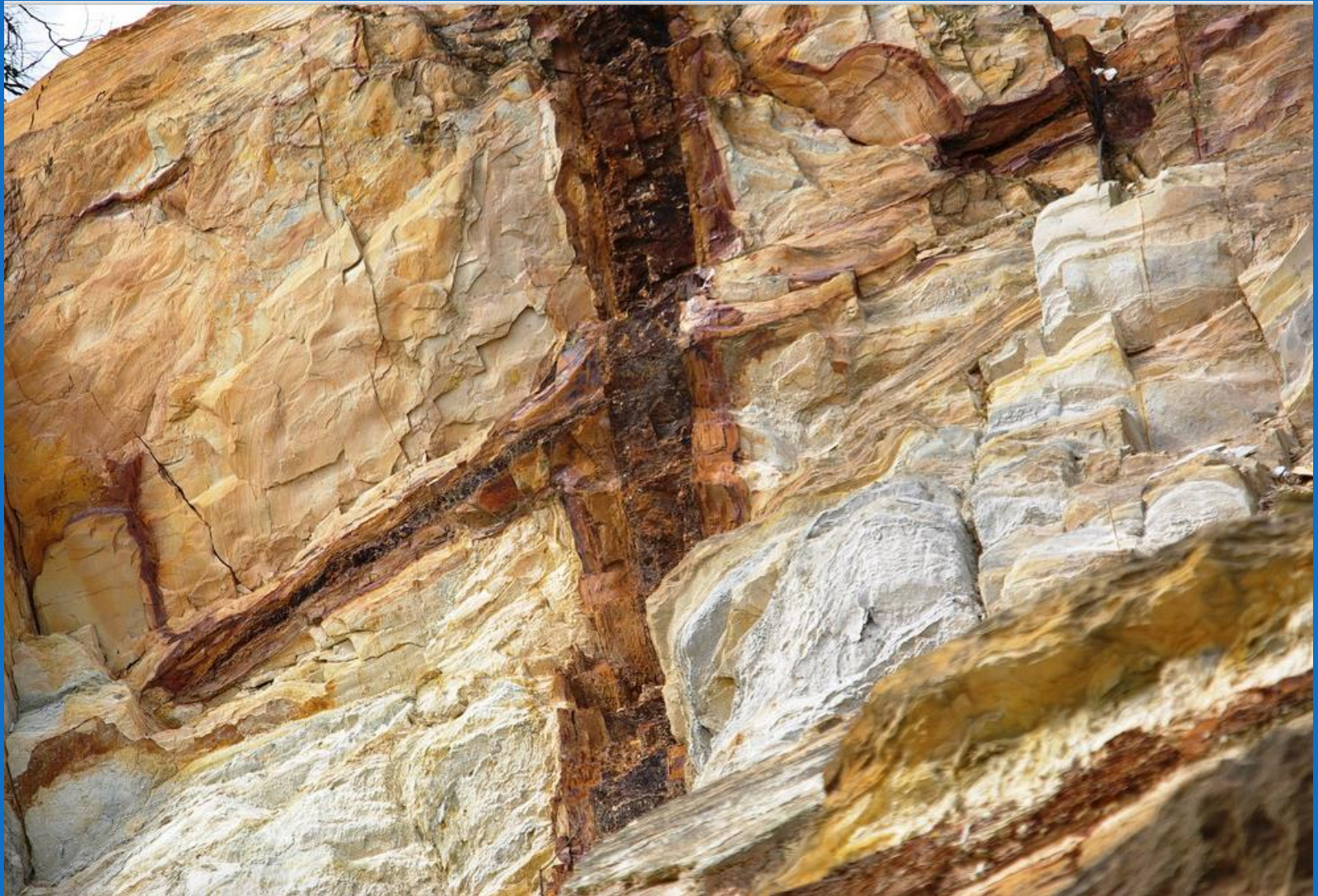




*This is a peak in the Snowy Mountains of Wyoming. It is composed of very old quartzites (once quartz rich sandstones) that have been deformed and metamorphosed. The quartzite layers form the large relatively flat cliff faces steeply dipping toward the viewer. They are intensely cracked by relatively straight fracture sets known as [joints](#). Climbers are especially attuned to these [joint sets](#). The form of this mountain is due to fracture controlled erosion*

**DYKES**









Pegmatite vein in granite boulder, Glenwood Canyon



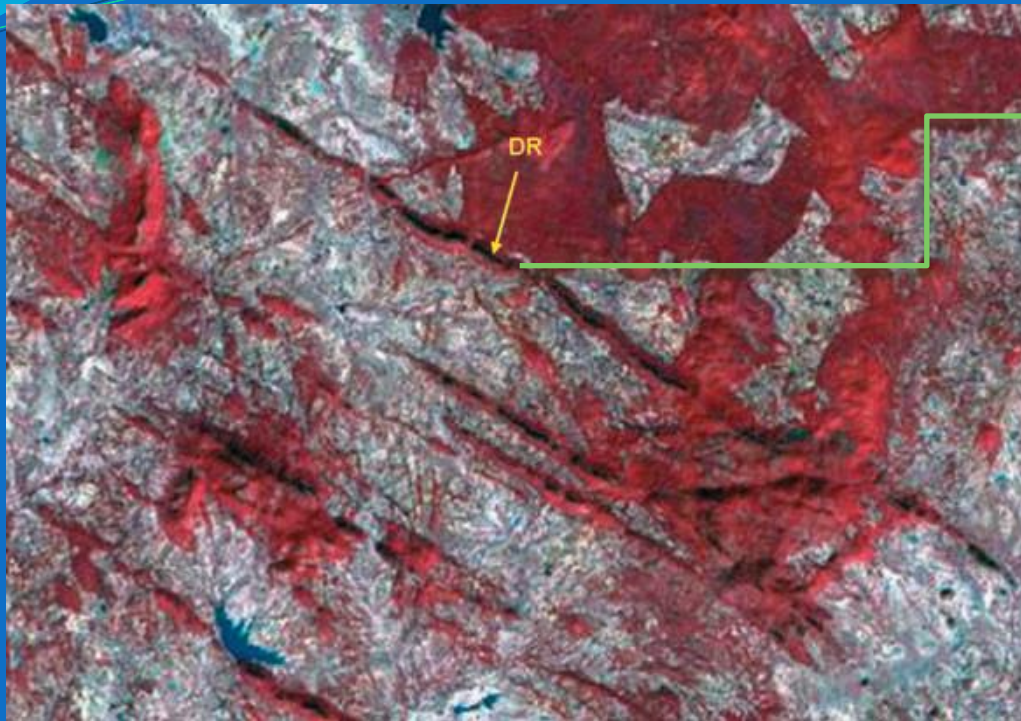


boulder of granodiorite that includes a section of an **aplite dike**, showing the 3-dimensional nature of a dike. The dike can be seen on the backside of the boulder as well, giving the appearance of a layer of white sandwiched between two chunks of darker rock. (The black spots in the granodiorite are hornblende and biotite.)

Pegmatite is generally similar in composition to aplite but is very coarse-grained. Pegmatite may contain more accessory minerals than aplite. This photo of the planar surface of a pegmatite dike shows (in this case) the difference in color between potassium feldspar (pink) and plagioclase feldspar (white). The very light-gray mineral is quartz and the thin black lines are sheets of biotite (mica).







**Dyke ridges (DR)** occurring with the granitoid terrain in Kanker district, Chhattisgarh state. Dyke ridges most of the times can be easily identified from the satellite image due to their good contrast from the background litho units as well as their shape/form and mode of occurrence.



# Major Lineaments

