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### **ABBREVIATION**

RSGIS	Remote Sensing and Geographic Information System
HRP	High Resolution Picture
MCSST	Multi-Channel Sea Surface Temperature
EMR	Electro Magnetic Radiation
GPS	Global Positioning System
USGS	United States Geological Survery
DB	Data Base
SDSS	Spatial Decission Support Systems
VRML	Virtual Reality Modelling Language
NHS	National Health Service
RS	Remote Sensing
GIS	Geographic Information System
IFOV	Instantaneous Field of View
dpi	Dots Per Inch
NI	Near Infrared
L <sub>T</sub>	Total radiance is measured by Sensor
T <sub>R</sub>	Atmospheric Transmittance
R	Object Reflectance
E <sub>T</sub>	Total irradiance reaching the earth
DN	Digital Number
AVHRR	Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer
HIRS	High Resolution Infrared Radiometer Sounder
ISCCP	International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project
SMMR	Scanning Multichannel Microwave Radiometer
BPNN	Backpropogation Neural Network
SOM	Self Organisizing Map
PNN	Probability Neural Network
GOES	Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite
BCT	Bispectral Composite Threshold

TBT	Brightness Temperature
SW	Shortwave
LW	Longwave
MERIS	Medium Resolution Imaging Spectrometer
SVM	Support Vector Machines
SSL	Semisupervised Learning
MODIS	Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectrum Radiometer
ENVISAT	Environmental Satellite
MAP	Maximum Posterion Probability
MRF	Markov Random Field
PHD	Probability Hypothesis Density
$\mathrm{GM}_{\mathrm{S}}$	Gaussian mixtures
FISST	Finite Set Statistics
MCC	Maximum Cross Correction
I <sub>mean</sub>	Cloud Image Mean Value
I <sub>std</sub>	Cloud Image Standard Deviation Value
MMA	Modified Maximum Average
NSPI	Neighbourhood Similar Pixel Interpolation
<b>I</b> <sub>min</sub>	Minimum Intensity
I <sub>max</sub>	Maximum Intensity
HE	Histogram Equilization
GHE	Global Histogram Equilization
AHE	Adaptive Histogram Equilization
BHE	Block-based Histogram Equilization
ACDCR	Automated Cloud Detection & Cloud Removal
PI	Pixel Intensity
Т	Threshold Value
RGB	Red Green Blue
Y	Luma Information
IQ	Chrominance Information
RMSE	Root Mean Square Error

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