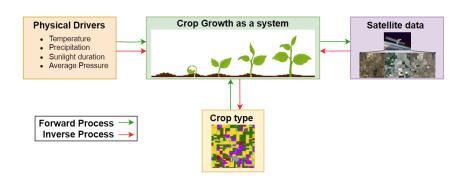
# Inverse modeling based approach for land cover mapping

A modeling approach for generating land cover maps for crop growth predictions utilizing satellite images and weather data



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## Applications

- Land Cover Mapping
- Crop Mapping

## **Technology Overview**

The ability to monitor and predict the growth of crops is essential in numerous areas related to agriculture, including in food security assessment and in developing improved land management practices but current approaches are limited because they depend exclusively on satellite imaging. Researchers at the University of Minnesota have developed a machine learning-based modeling approach to generate land cover maps from satellite images combined with weather data. This approach provides accurate and timely land cover maps up to 5 months ahead of standard methods, generating predictions even before crops are harvested.

## **Phase of Development**

## TRL: 5-6

A working model of this technology currently exists.

# **Desired Partnerships**

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