

# SAR for Defense and Security Applications

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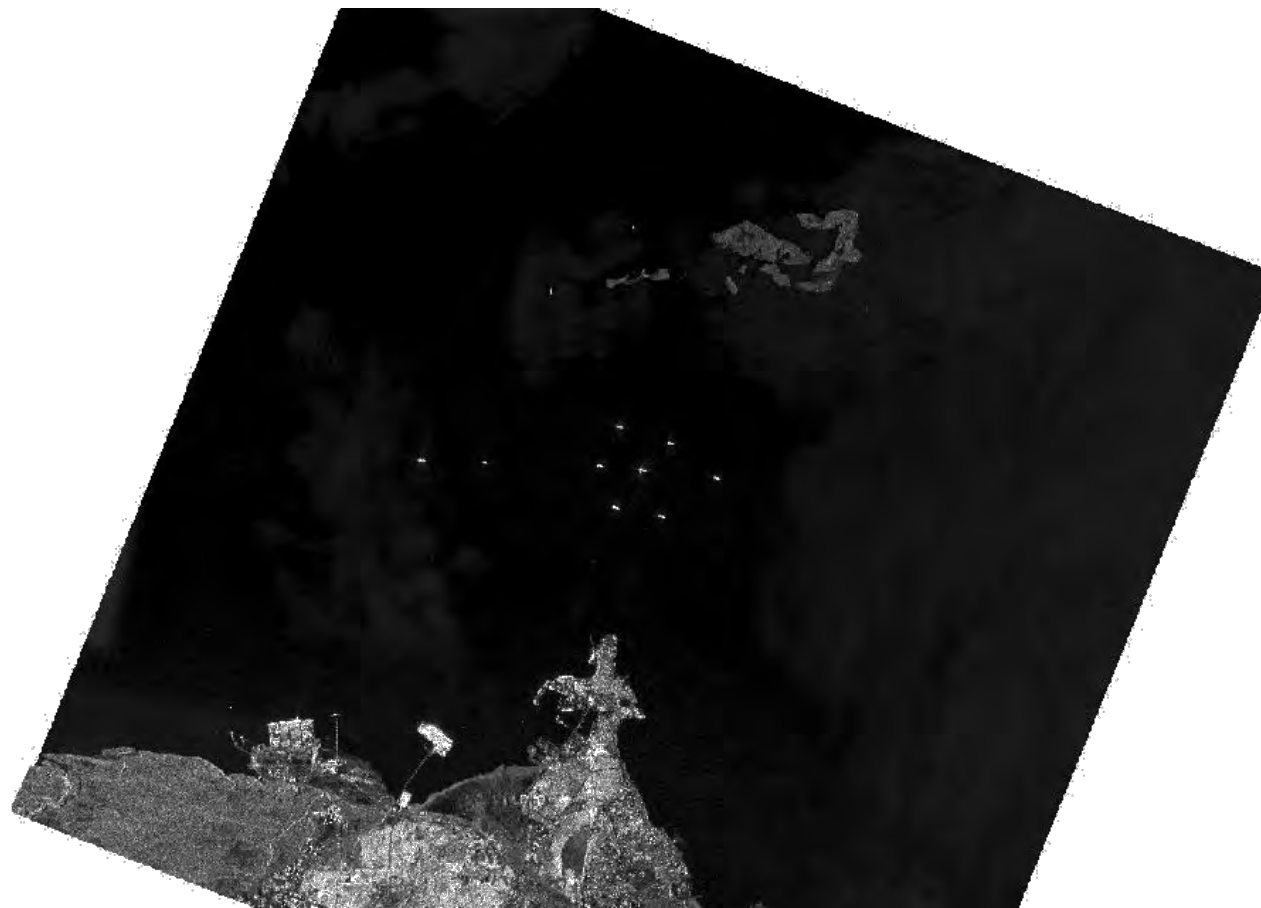
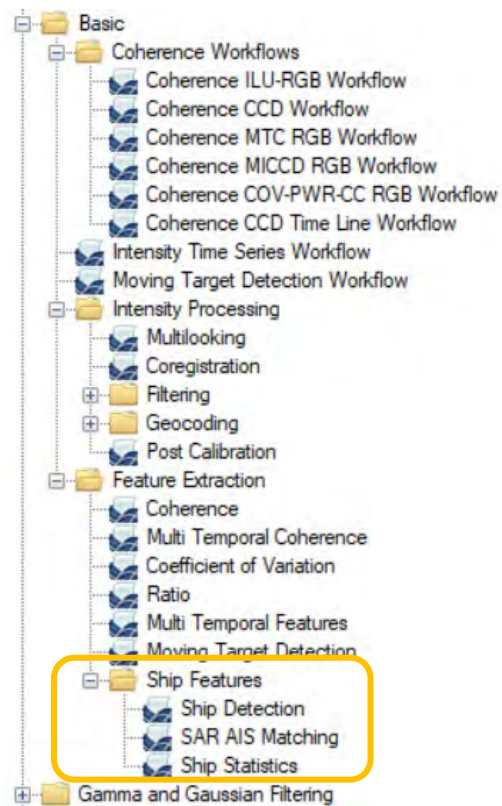
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# Looking at a single SAR image



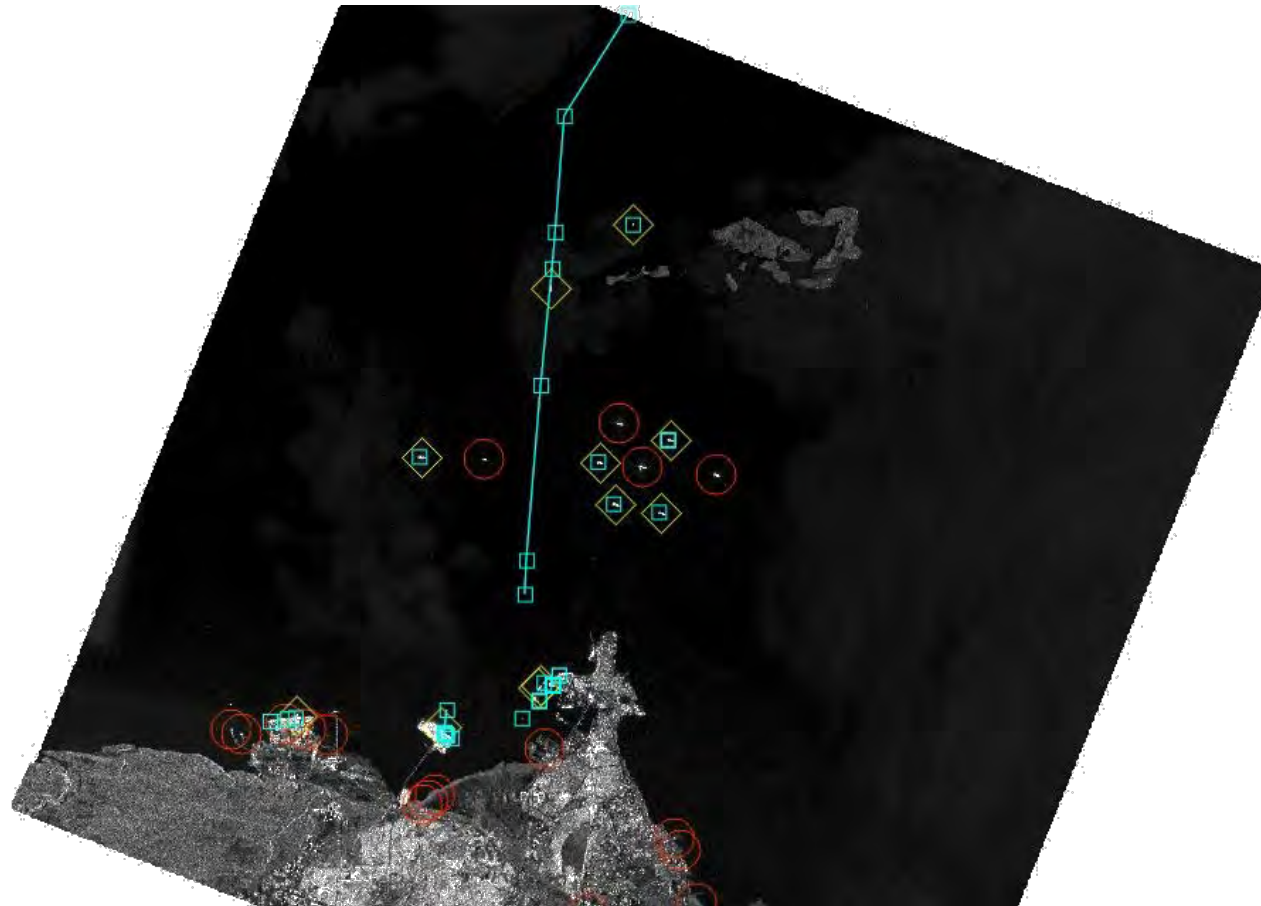
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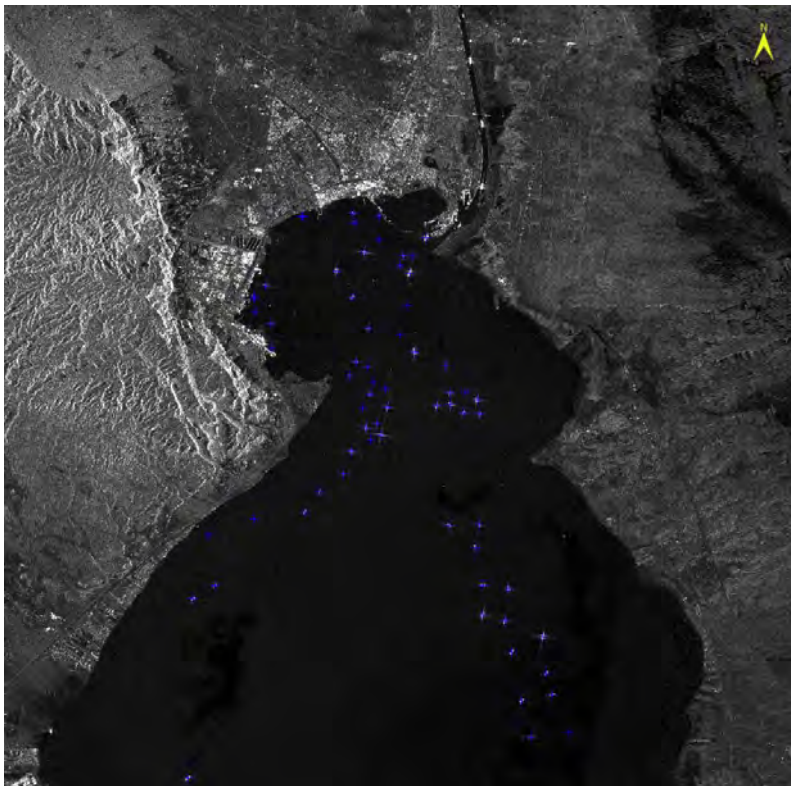
# Ship detection and matching with AIS

- AIS Track
- ◇ AIS & SAR
- SAR only

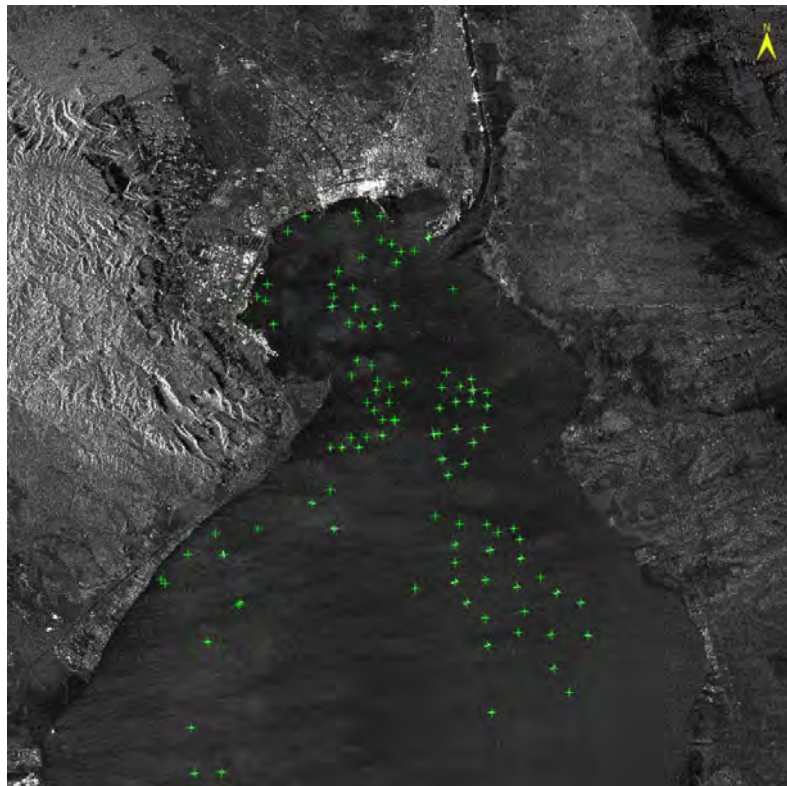




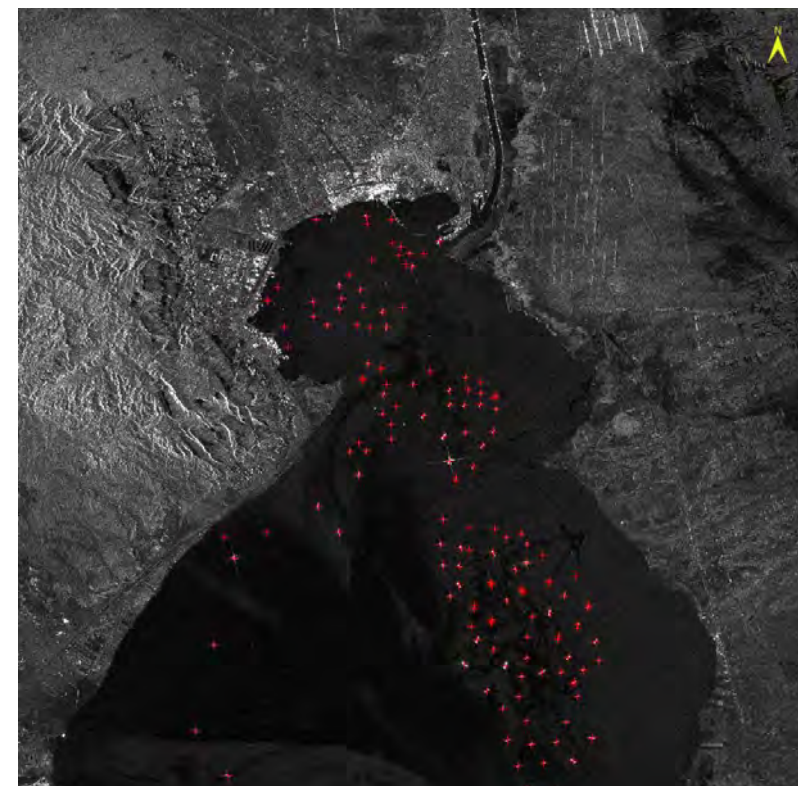
# SAR is an ideal instrument for regular monitoring



67 ships on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021



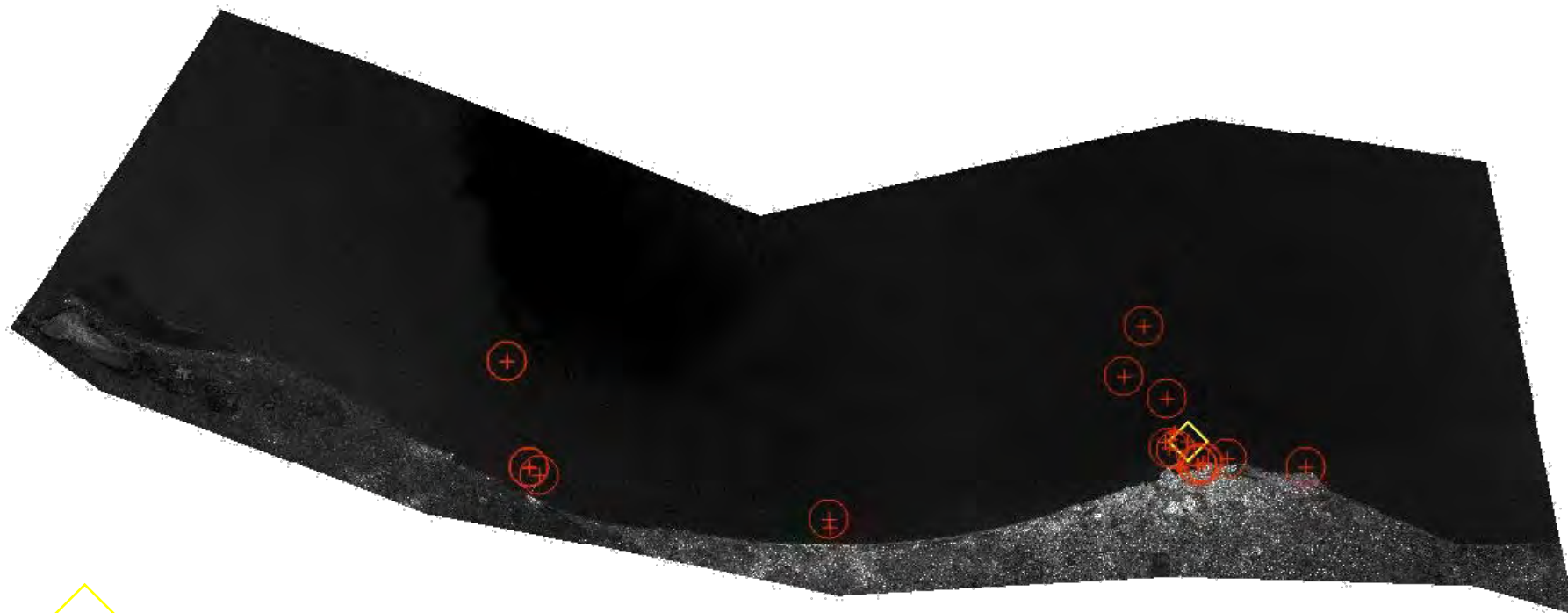
108 ships on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021



151 ships on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021



# Monitoring the coast west of Tripoli



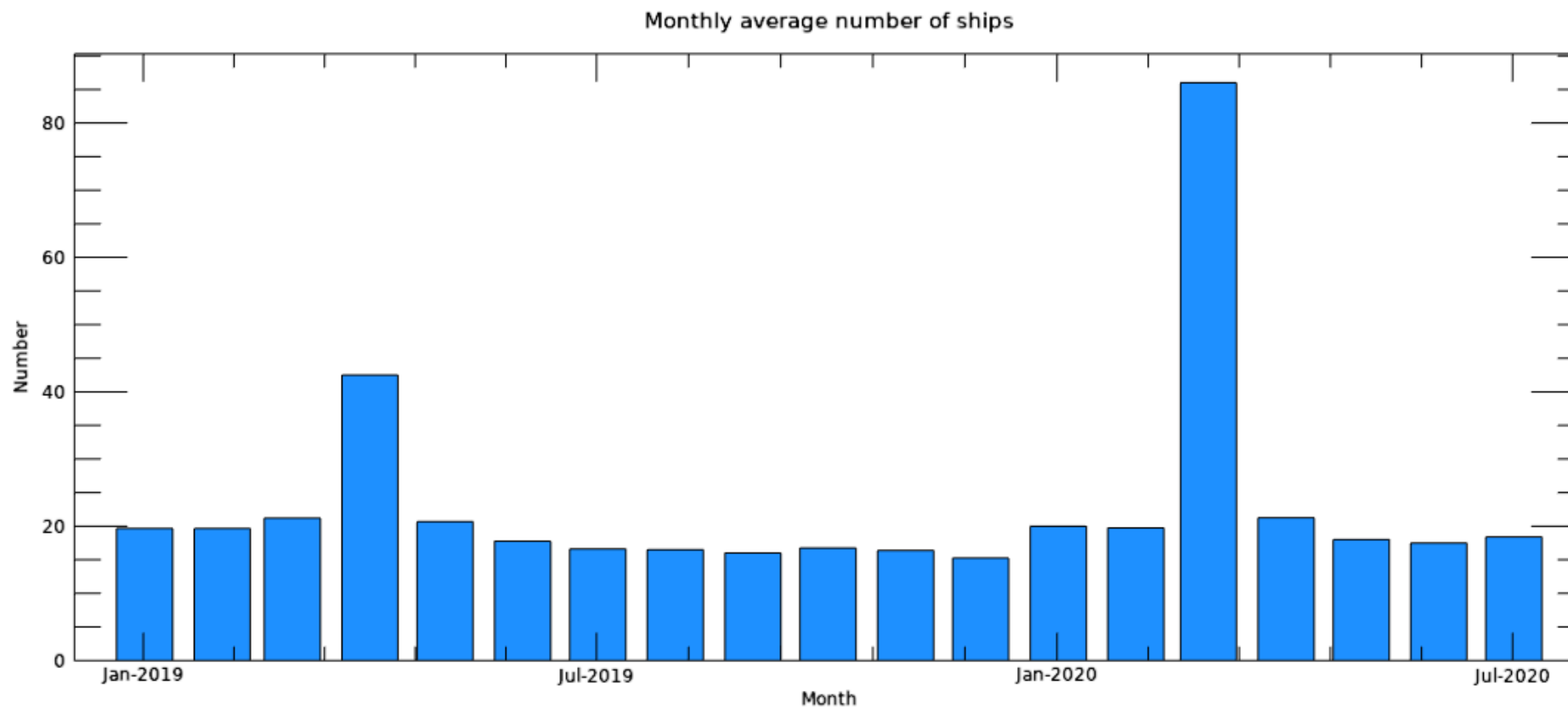
SAR and AIS matched



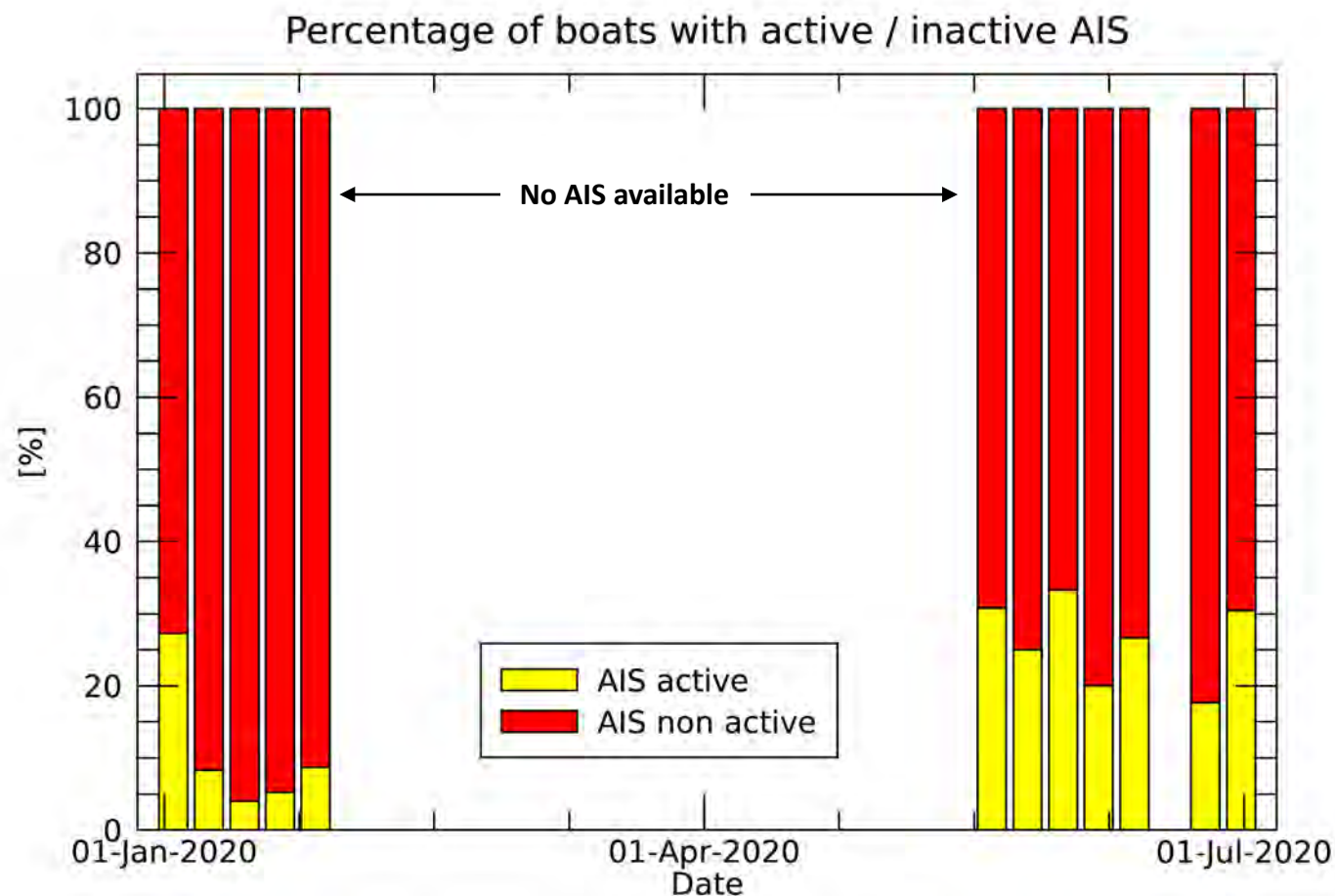
Only SAR detection

19 May 2020

# Statistics of ships detected from Sentinel-1 images

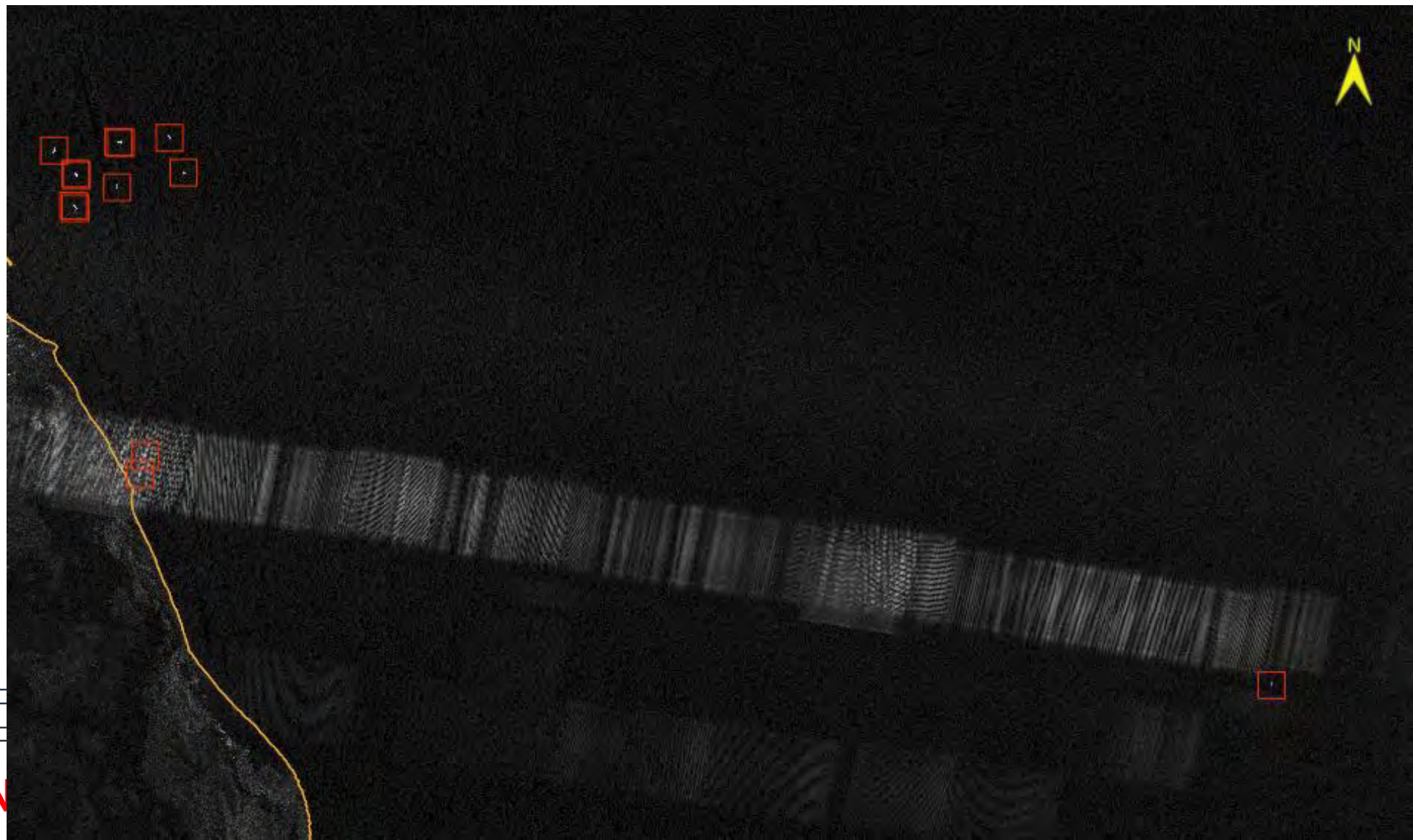


# Ships detected from Sentinel-1 images and AIS data



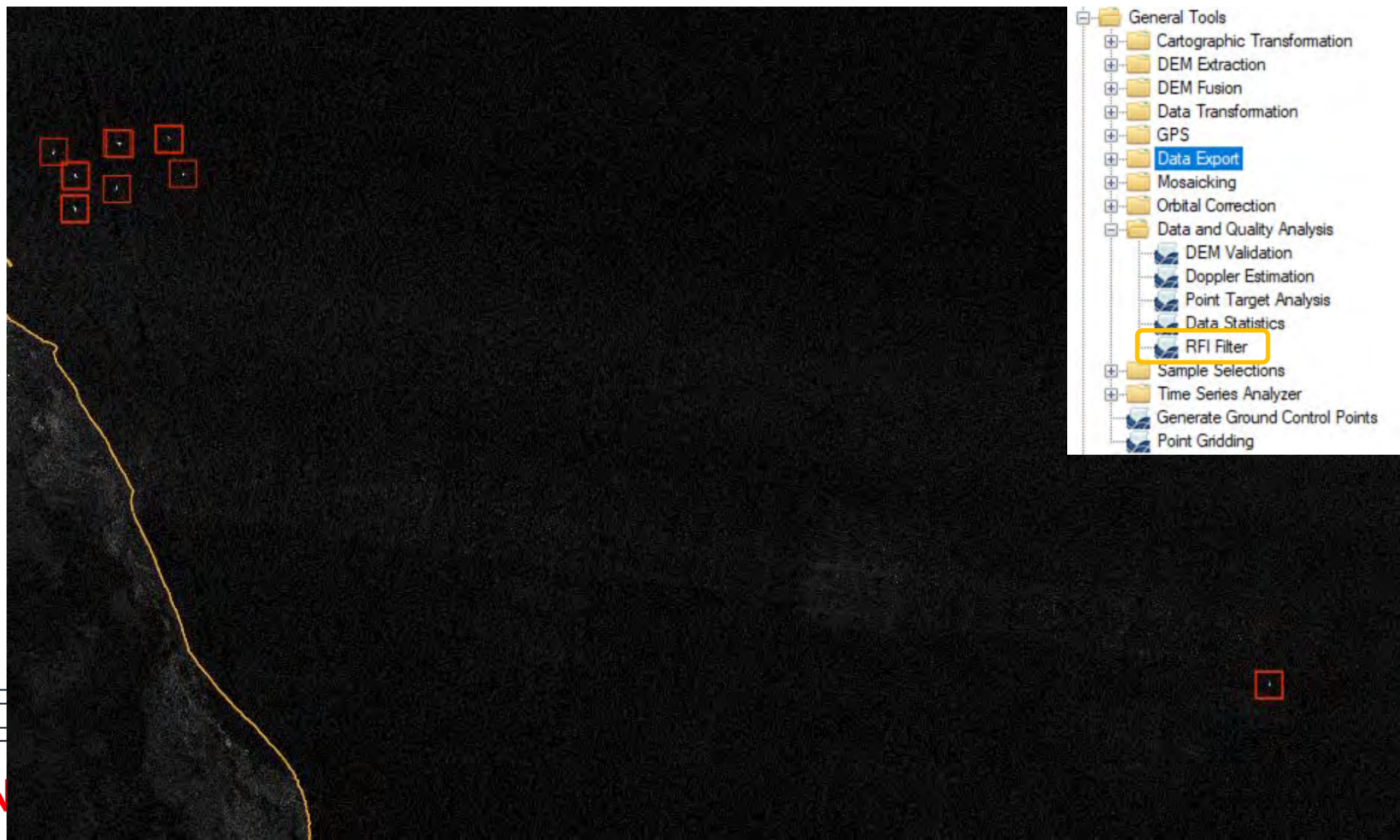


# Ship detection on RFI-affected data

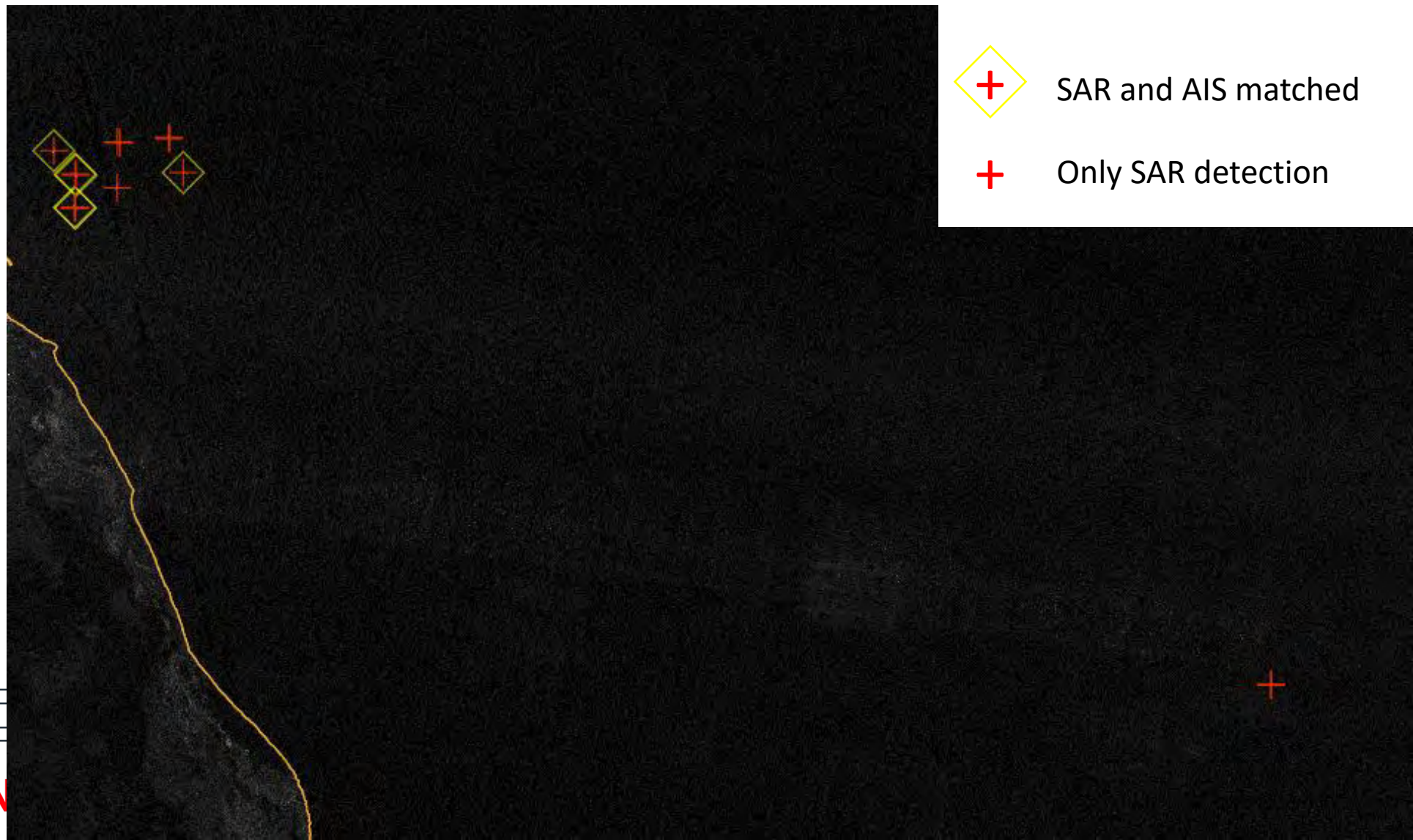




# Ship detection on RFI-filtered data

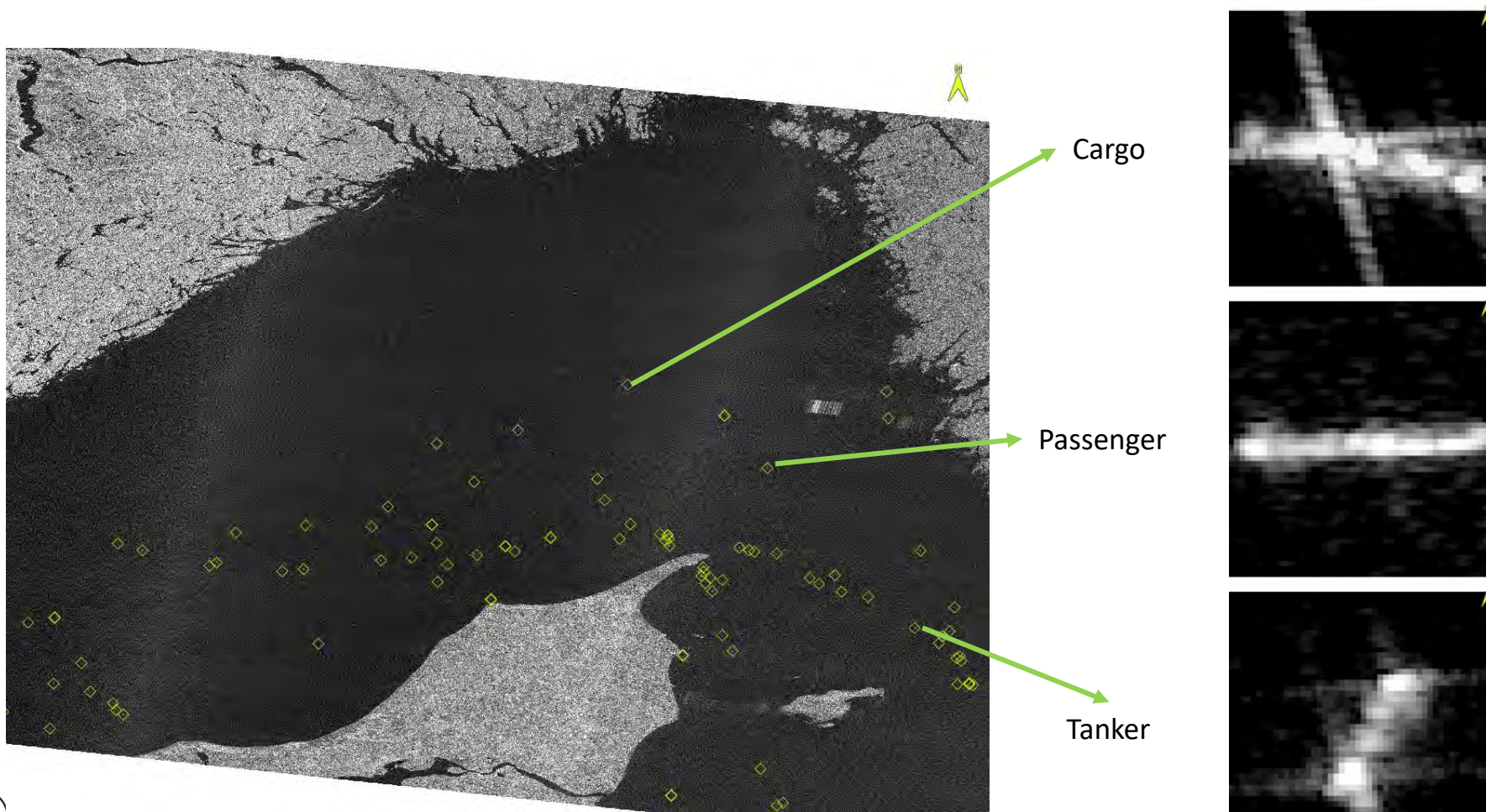


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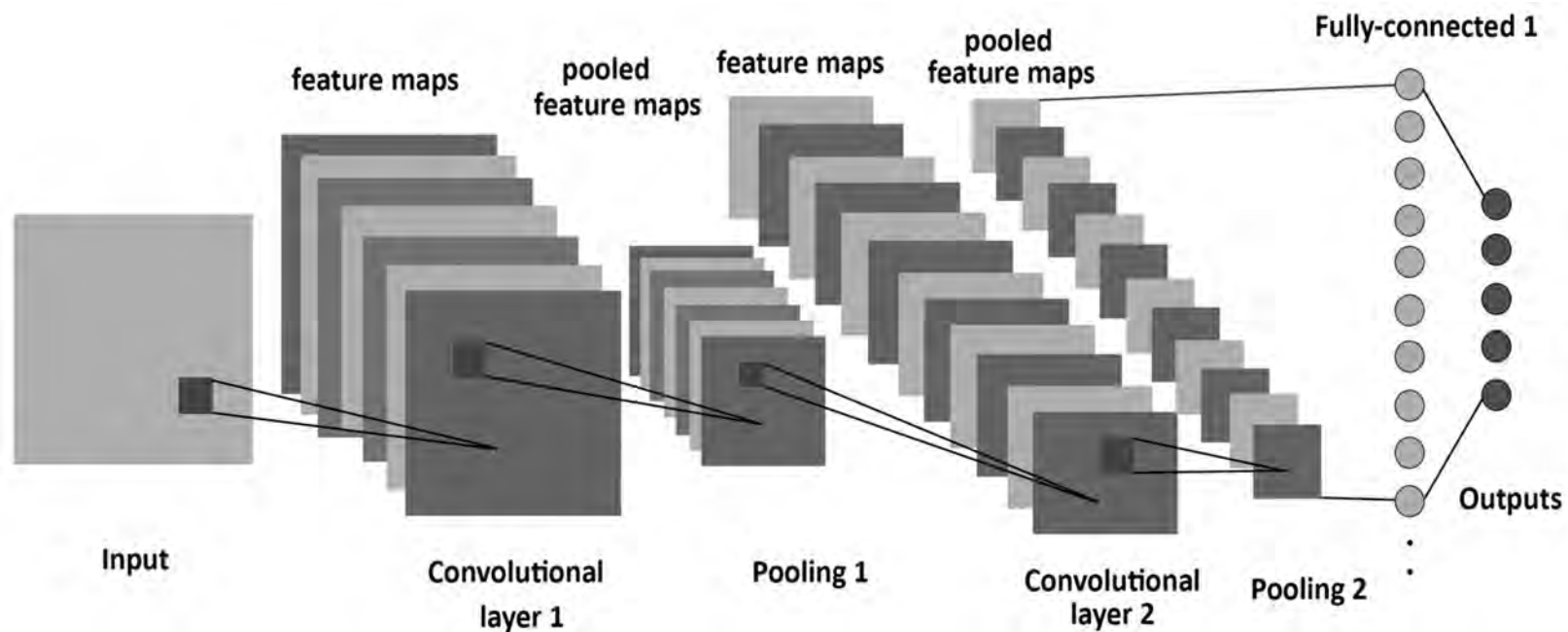


# SAR + AIS can help Automated Target Recognition



-> Deep Learning training based on automatically extracted datasets for ships classification

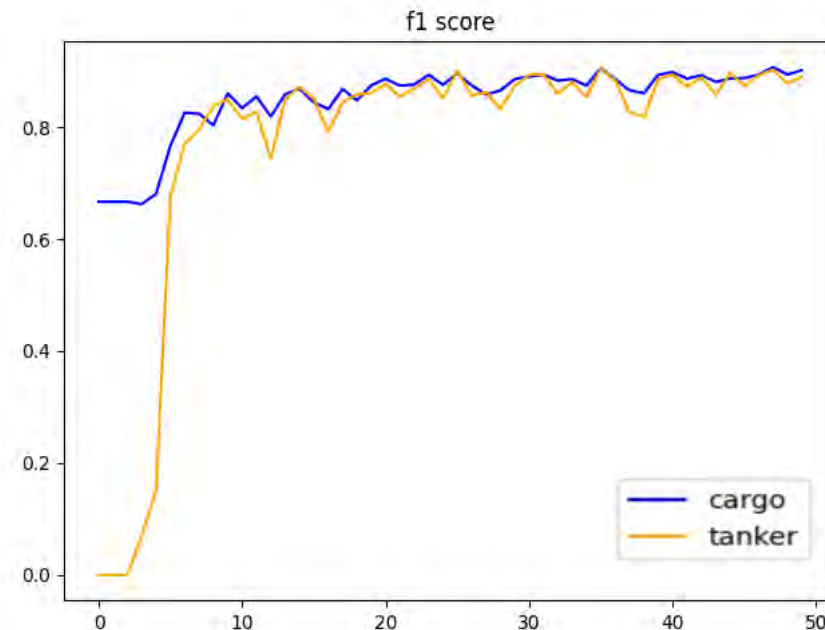
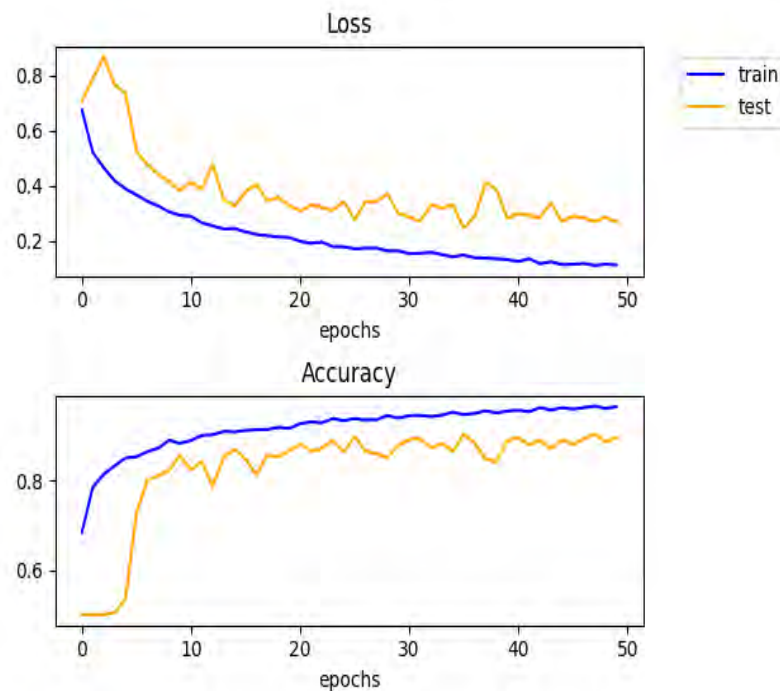
# Convolutional Neural Network





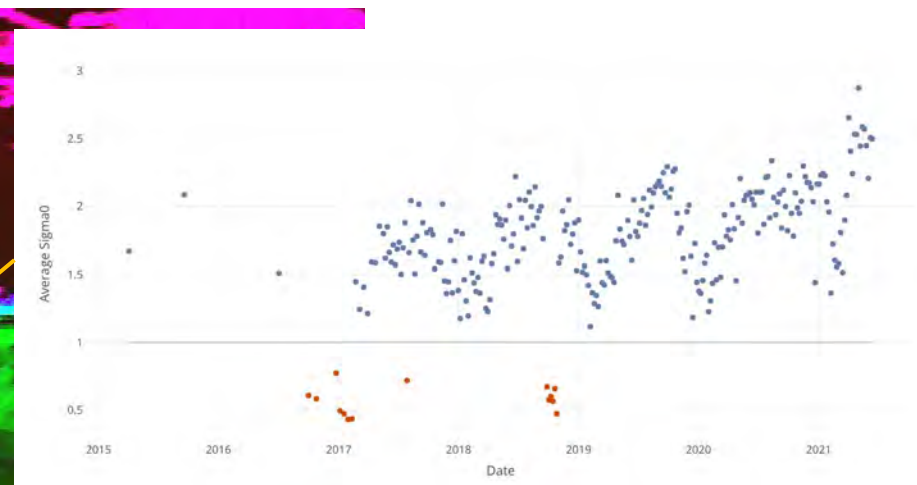
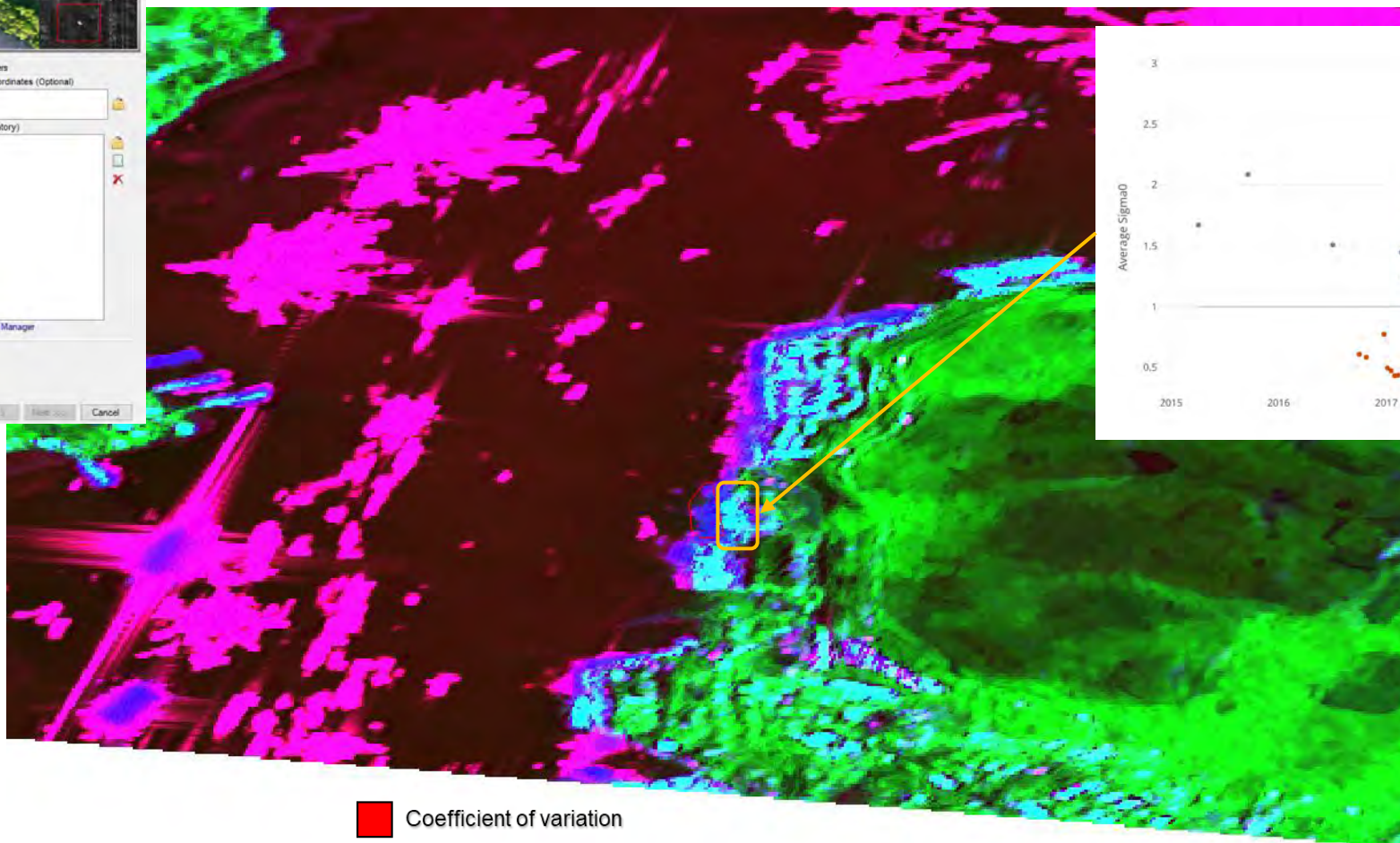
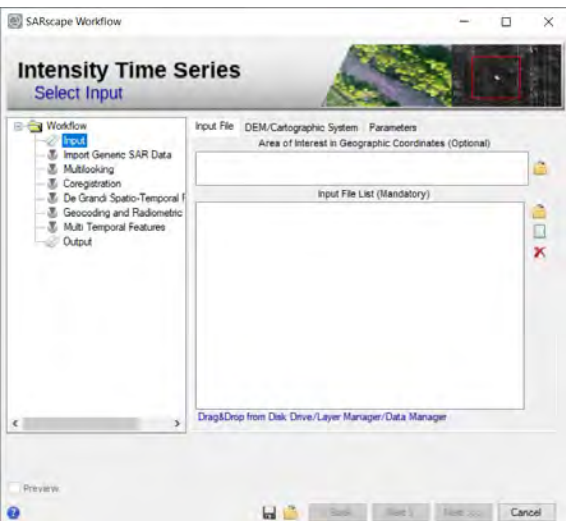
# Binary Classification Accuracy

	Cargo	Tanker
Cargo	439	23
Tanker	73	389



$$f1 \text{ score} = \frac{TP}{TP + \frac{1}{2}(FP + FN)}$$

# Permanent monitoring of harbours





# Modern SAR systems allow frequent monitoring



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3 images in 1 day

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# STANAG Terminology

SAR image analysis can provide answers to code B requests (Change Detection / Surveillance) made according to the STANAG 3596 standard for the category 14, Port Installations.



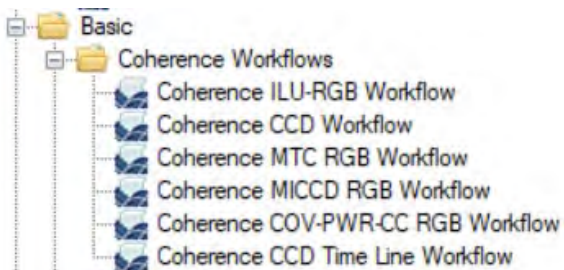
# Airport monitoring



Aircraft stands



# Airport monitoring: ACD - CCD



- InSAR Coherence
- Mean Backscatter
- Backscatter Change

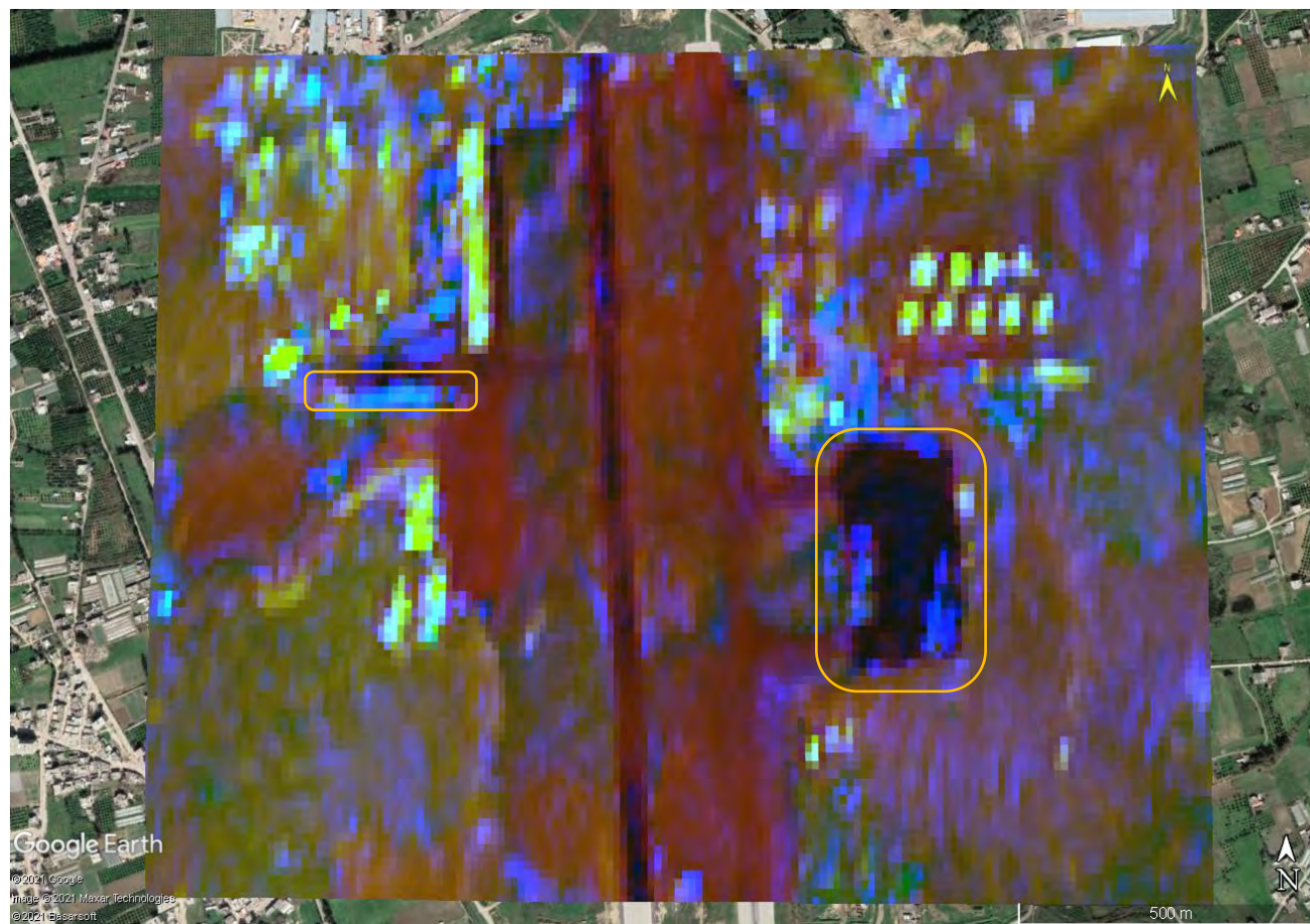


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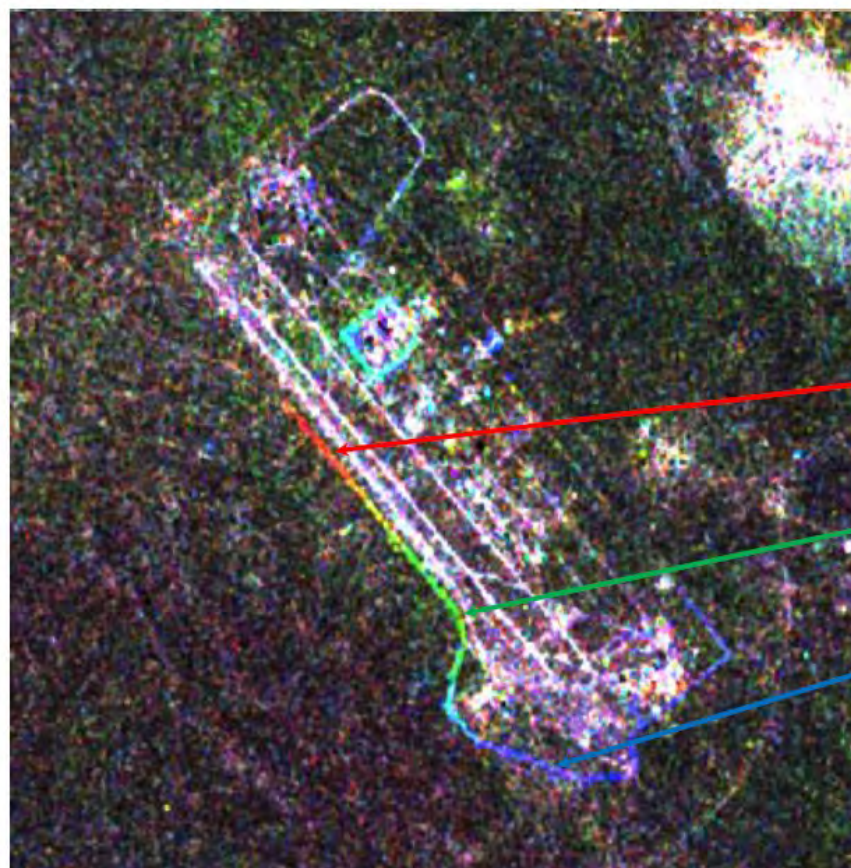


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# Airport monitoring: CCD

Multi Inverse Coherence Change Detection

Inverse coherence 1  
Inverse coherence 2  
Inverse coherence 3



May 26, 2019 -  
June 7, 2019

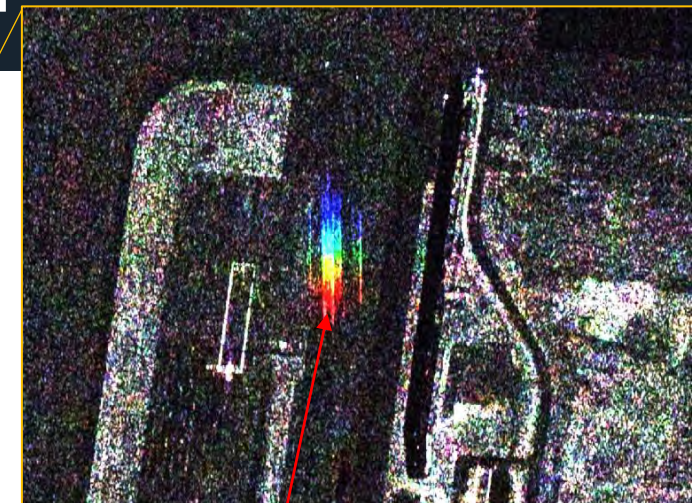
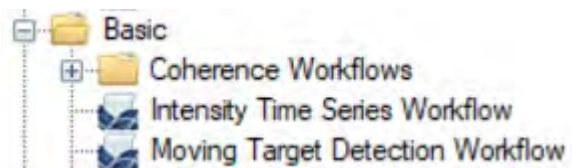
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# Airport monitoring: Moving Target Detection

Exploiting the time necessary to  
acquire data to form the Synthetic  
Aperture

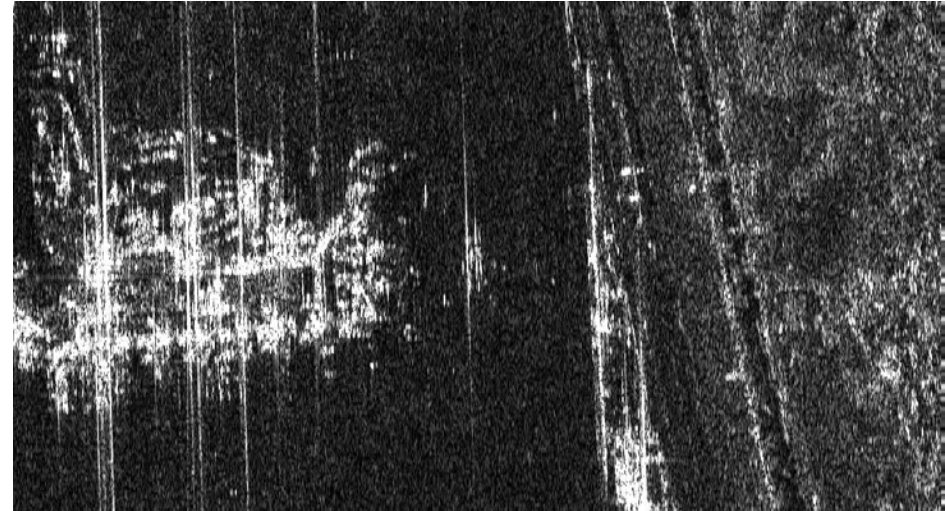
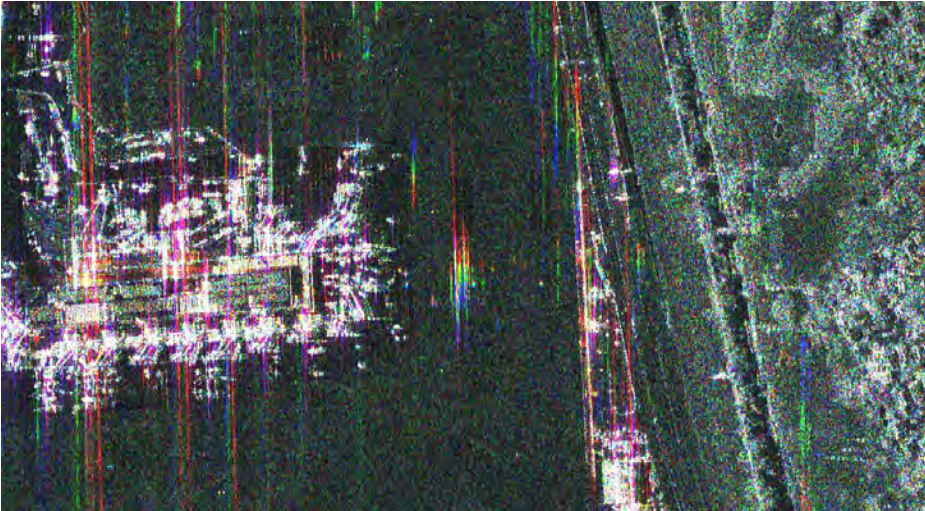


Moving objects can be  
automatically  
highlighted



# Airport monitoring: Moving Target Detection

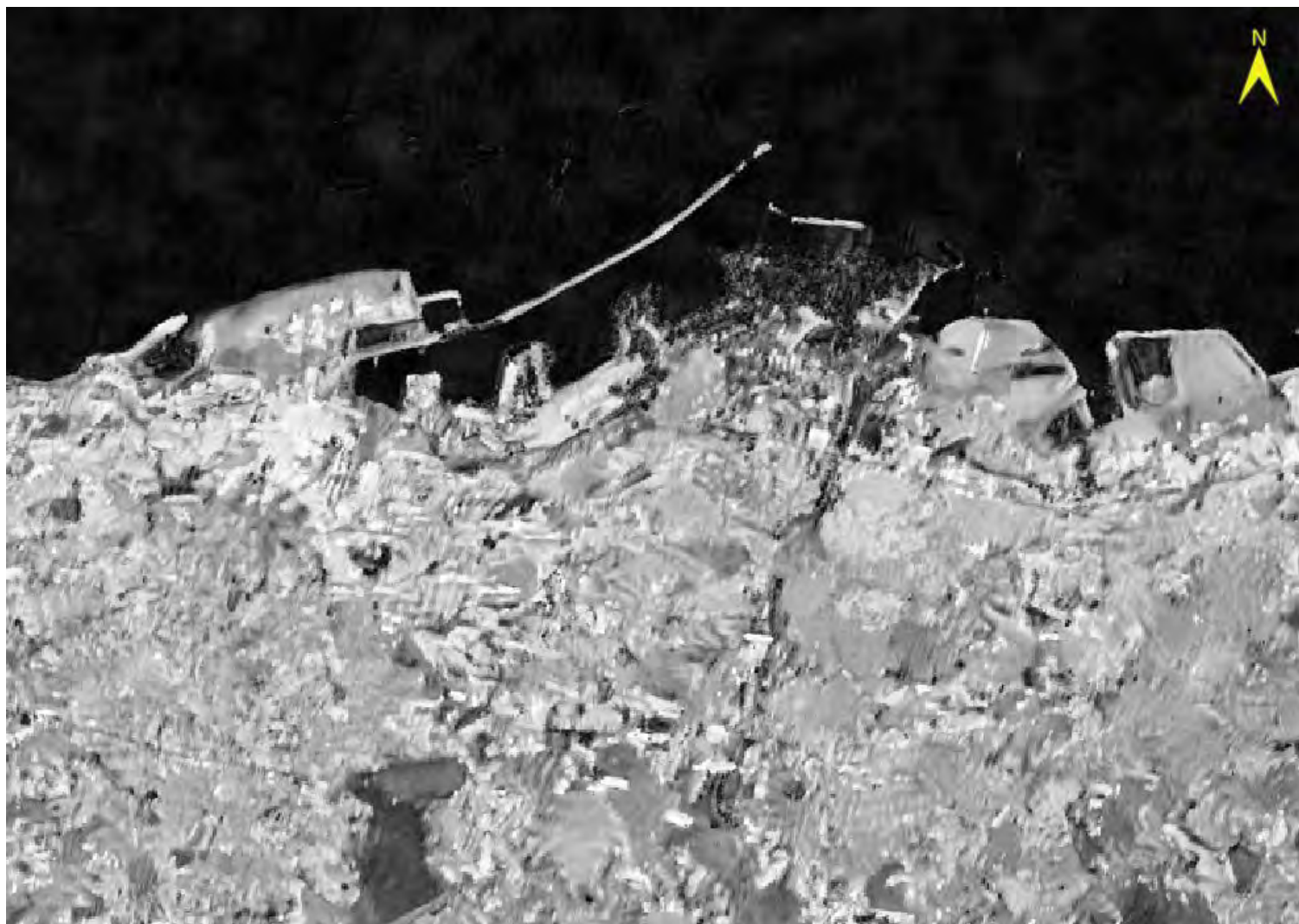
Exploiting the time of acquisition of a full Synthetic Aperture



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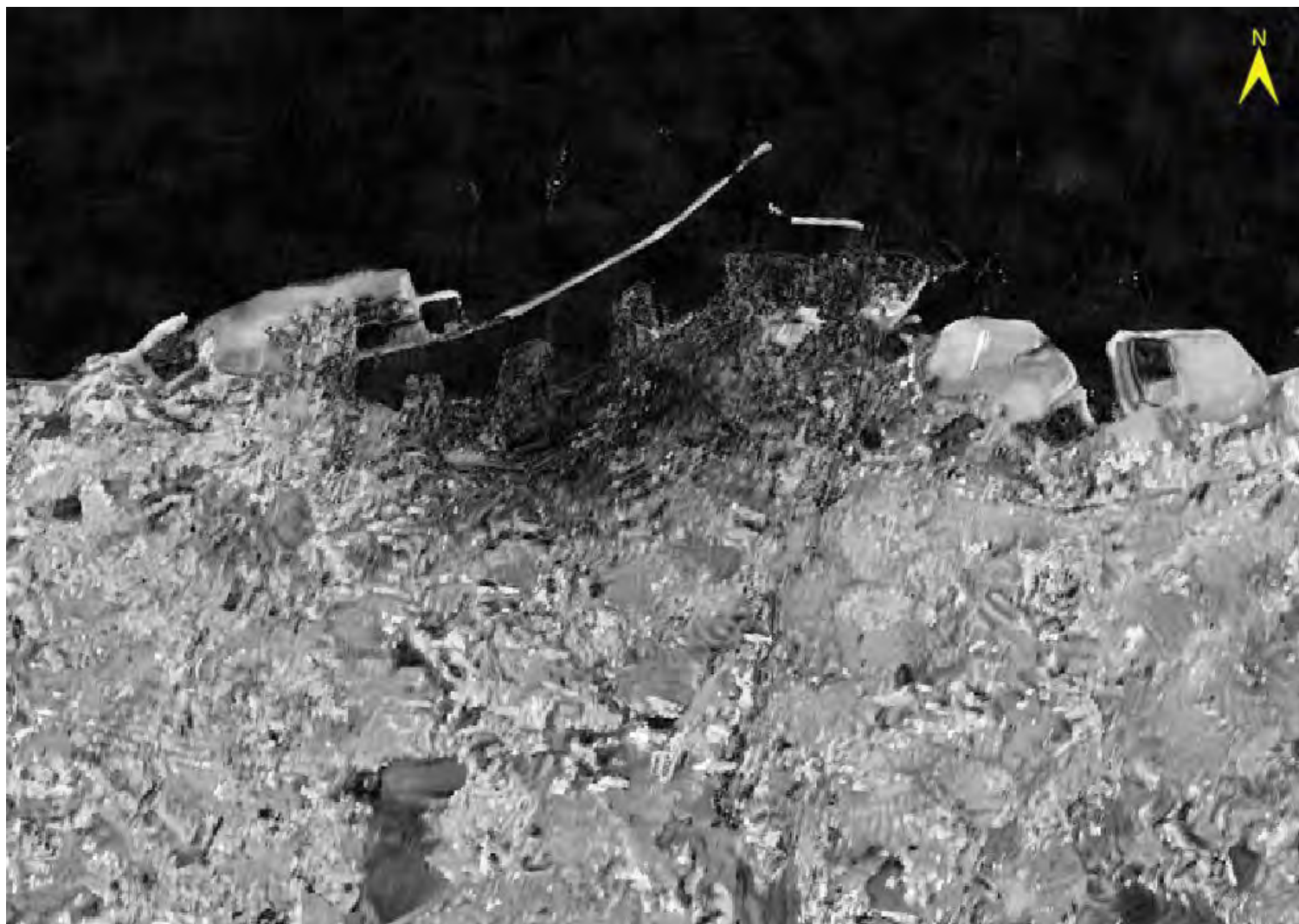
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# Coherent Change Detection: 2020 Beirut port explosion





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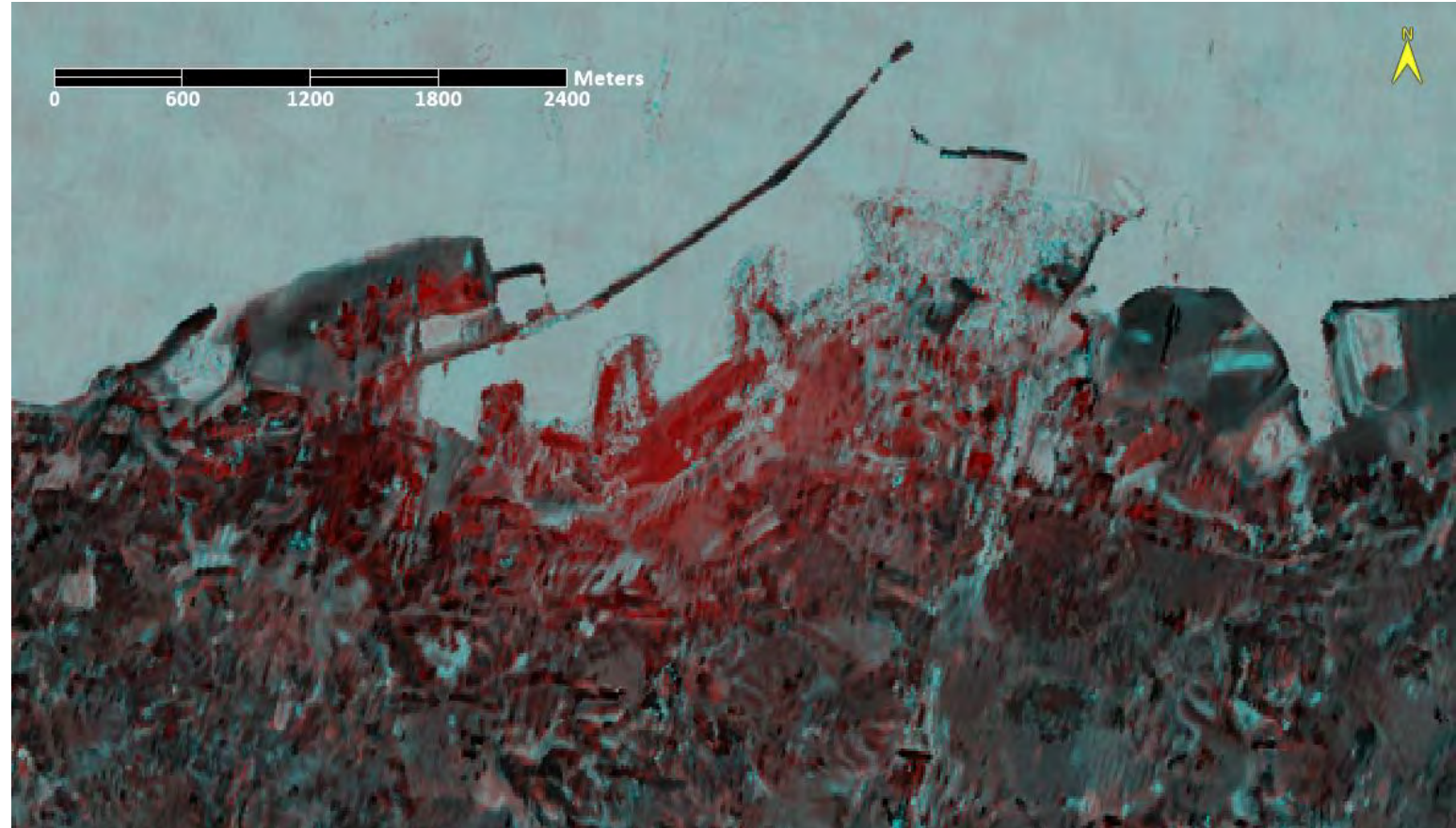
# Coherent Change Detection

Red: Pre-event  
Green: Across the event  
Blue: Across the event

Sentinel-1 data:

- 24 July
- 30 July
- 5 August

Severely damaged areas  
appear in red shades



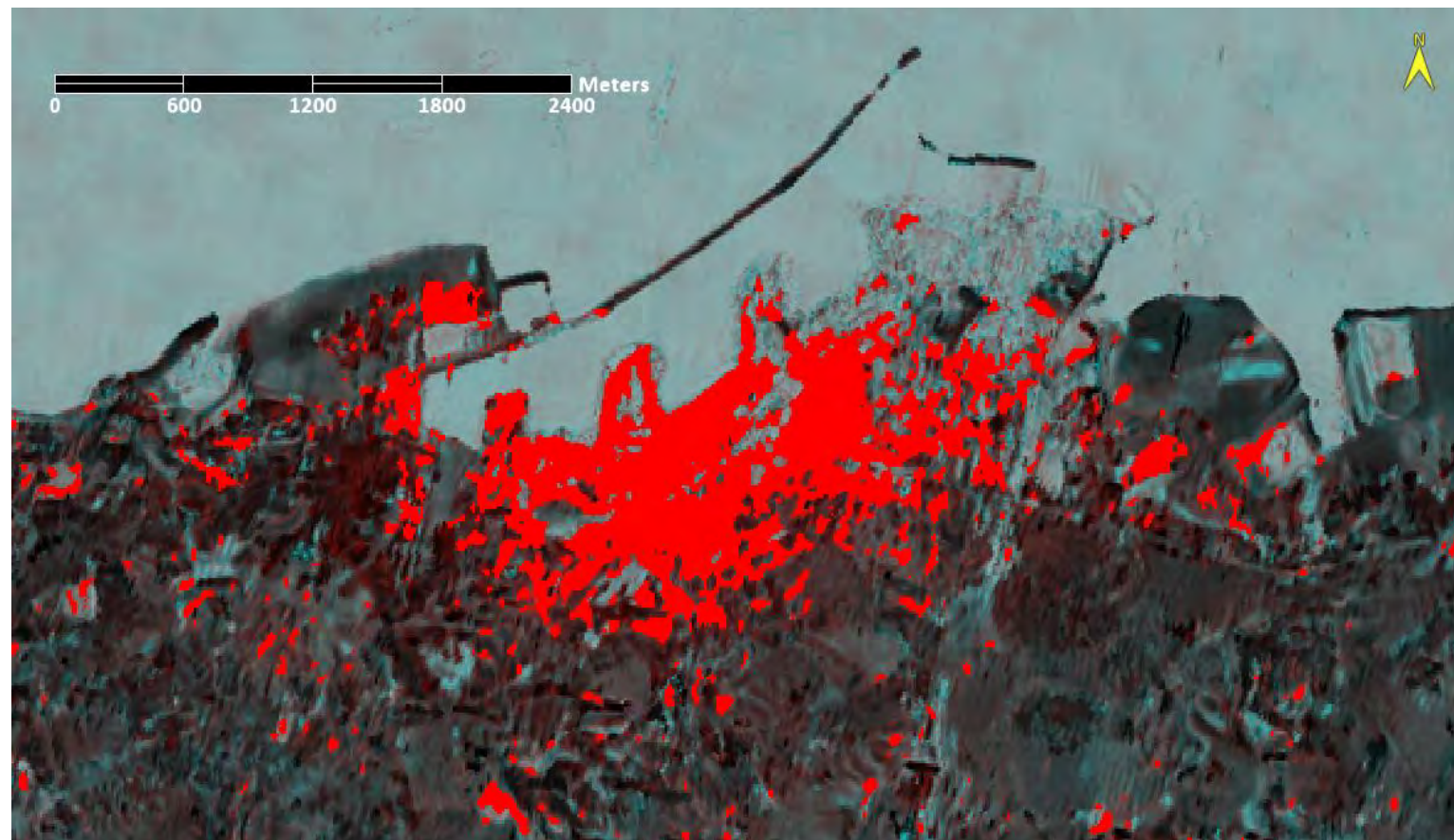


# Coherent Change Detection Classification

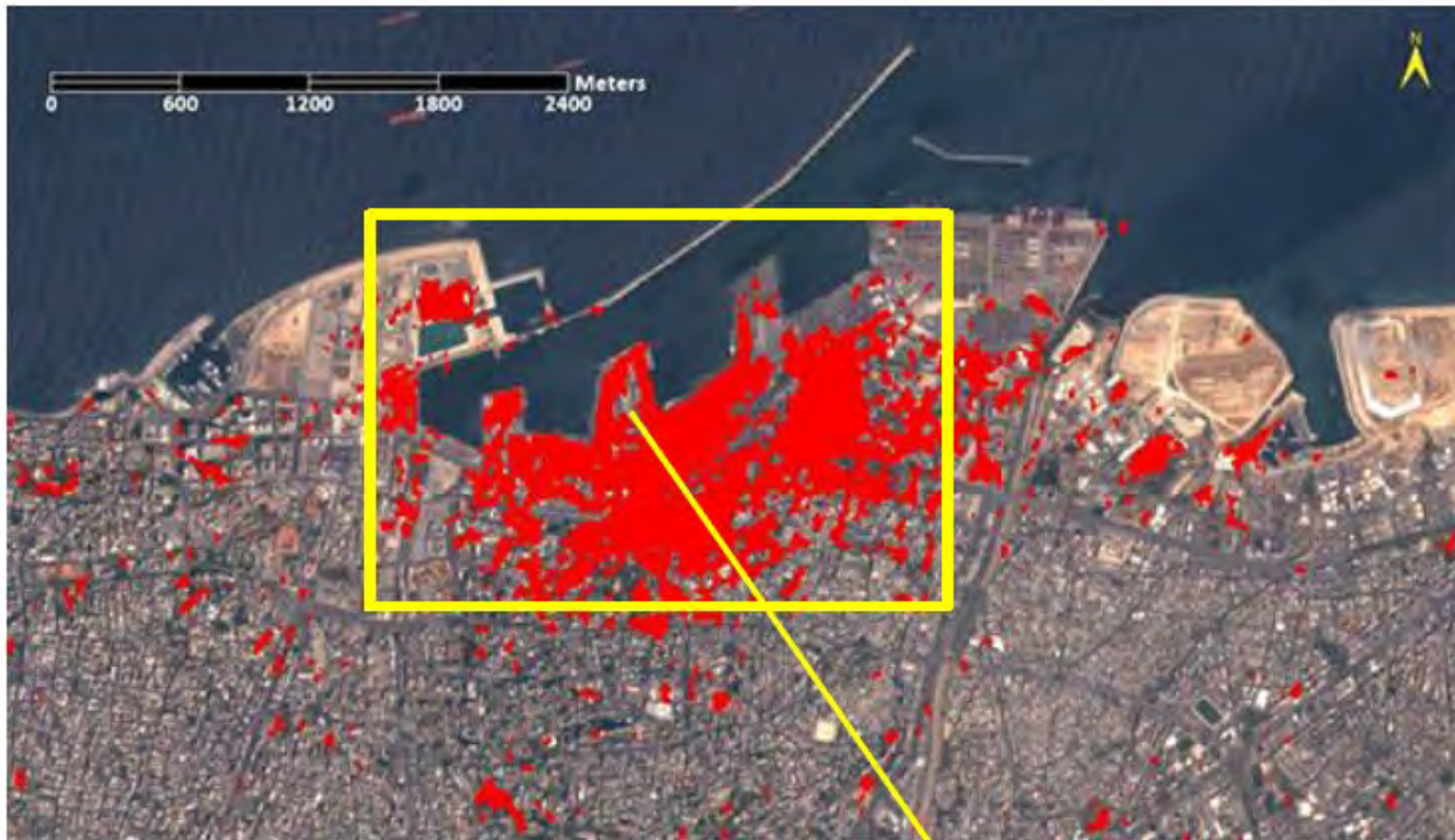
Sentinel-1 data:

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Severely damaged areas  
appear in red polygons





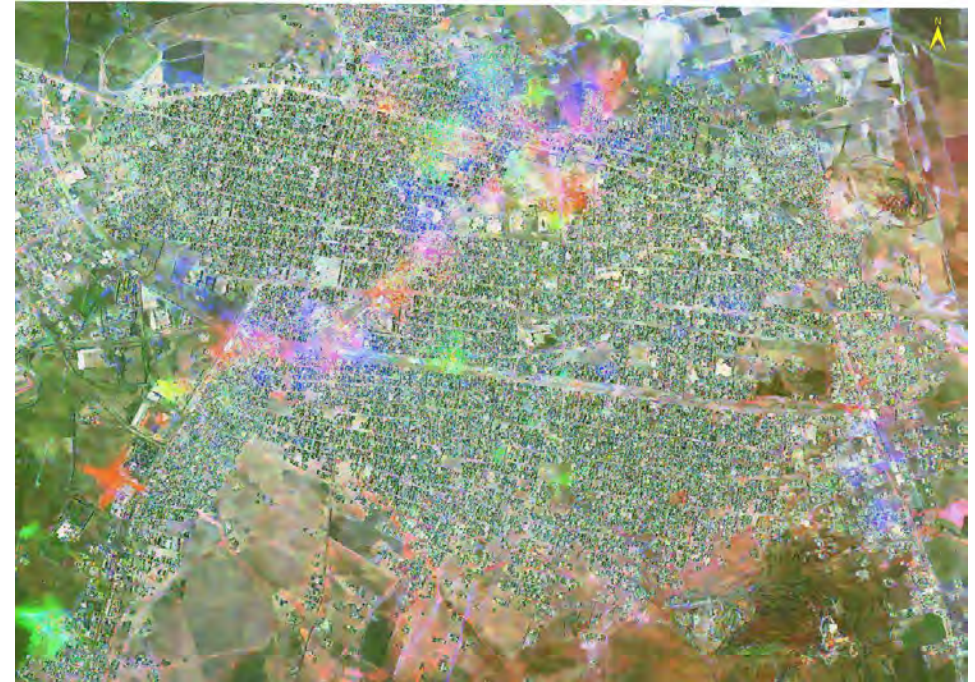




# Amplitude vs. Coherent Change Detection



15/10/2014  
19/10/2014  
23/10/2014



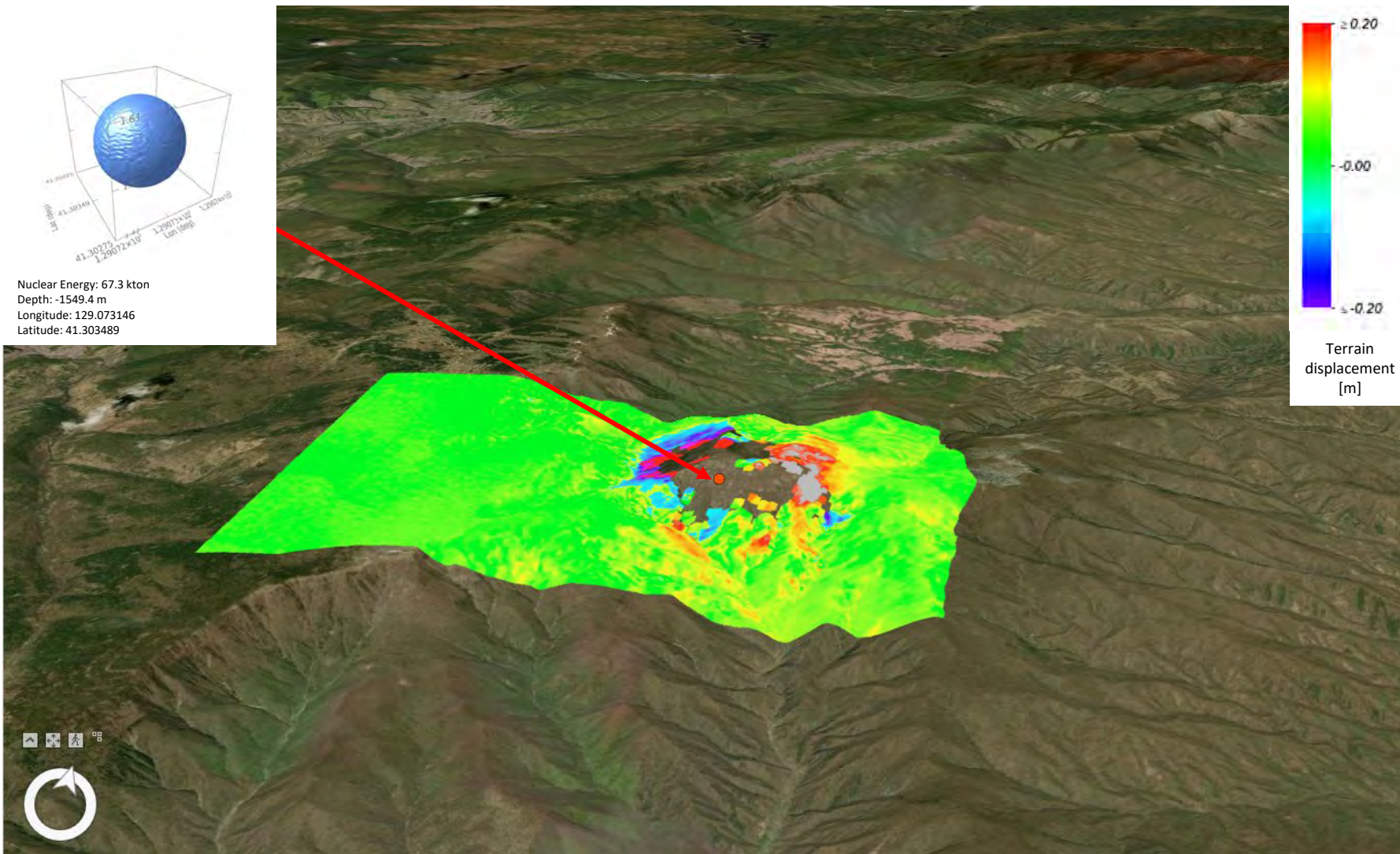
15/10/2014 - 19/10/2014  
19/10/2014 - 23/10/2014  
23/10/2014 - 08/11/2014



# Terrain displacement from underground nuclear experiments

## Source model

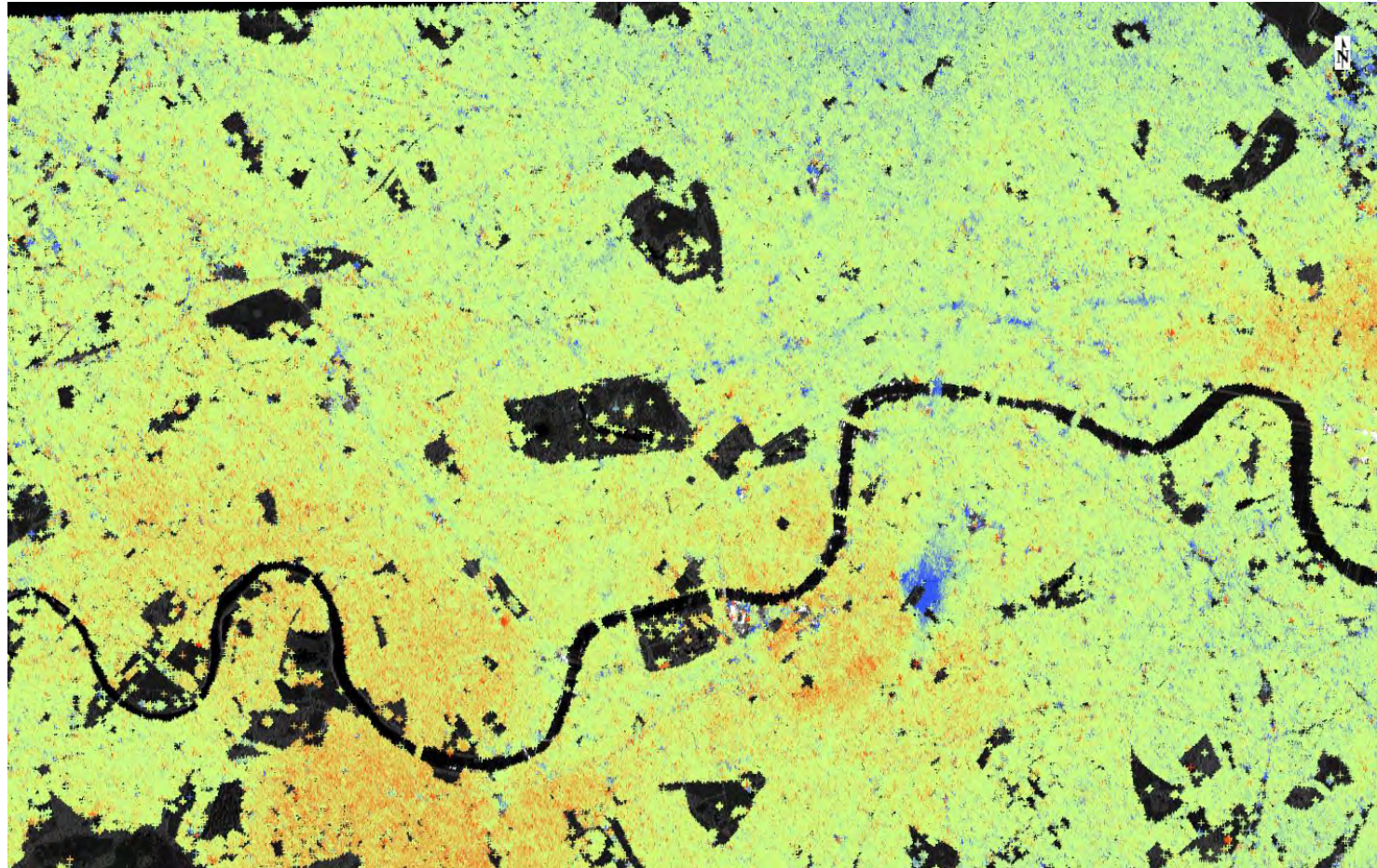
- Interferometry
  - Coherence Workflows
  - Interferometry Without GCP Workflows
  - InSAR DEM Workflow
  - InSAR Tandem-X bistatic Dem Workflow
  - Stereo DEM Workflow
  - DInSAR Displacement Workflow
  - DInSAR MAI Displacement Workflow
  - Amplitude Tracking Workflow
- Phase Processing
  - Stereo-Radargrammetry
  - MAI Processing
  - Amplitude Tracking
  - Dual Pair Differential Interferometry
- Displacement Modeling
  - Sampling Areas
  - Image Subsampling
  - Non-Linear Inversion
  - Linear Inversion
  - CFF Stress Transfer
  - Forward Modeling
- Modeling Tools
- Clustered Processes
- Interferometric Tools



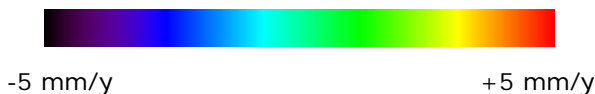


# SAR can detect and measure small terrain displacement, to relate with underground activities (e.g. excavation)

- Interferometric Stacking
  - PS
    - PS Overview
    - 1 - Connection Graph
    - 2 - Interferometric Process
    - 3 - Inversion: First Step
    - 4 - Inversion: Second Step
    - 5 - Geocoding
  - SBAS
    - SBAS Overview
    - 1 - Connection Graph
    - 2 - Interferometric Process
    - 3 - Refinement and Re-Flattening
    - 4 - Inversion: First Step
    - 5 - Inversion: Second Step
    - 6 - Geocoding
  - Continuous Tomography
    - Continuous Tomography Overview
    - 1 - Connection Graph
    - 2 - Interferometric Process
    - 3 - Inversion: First Step
    - 4 - Inversion: Second Step
    - 5 - Geocoding
  - Stacking Tools

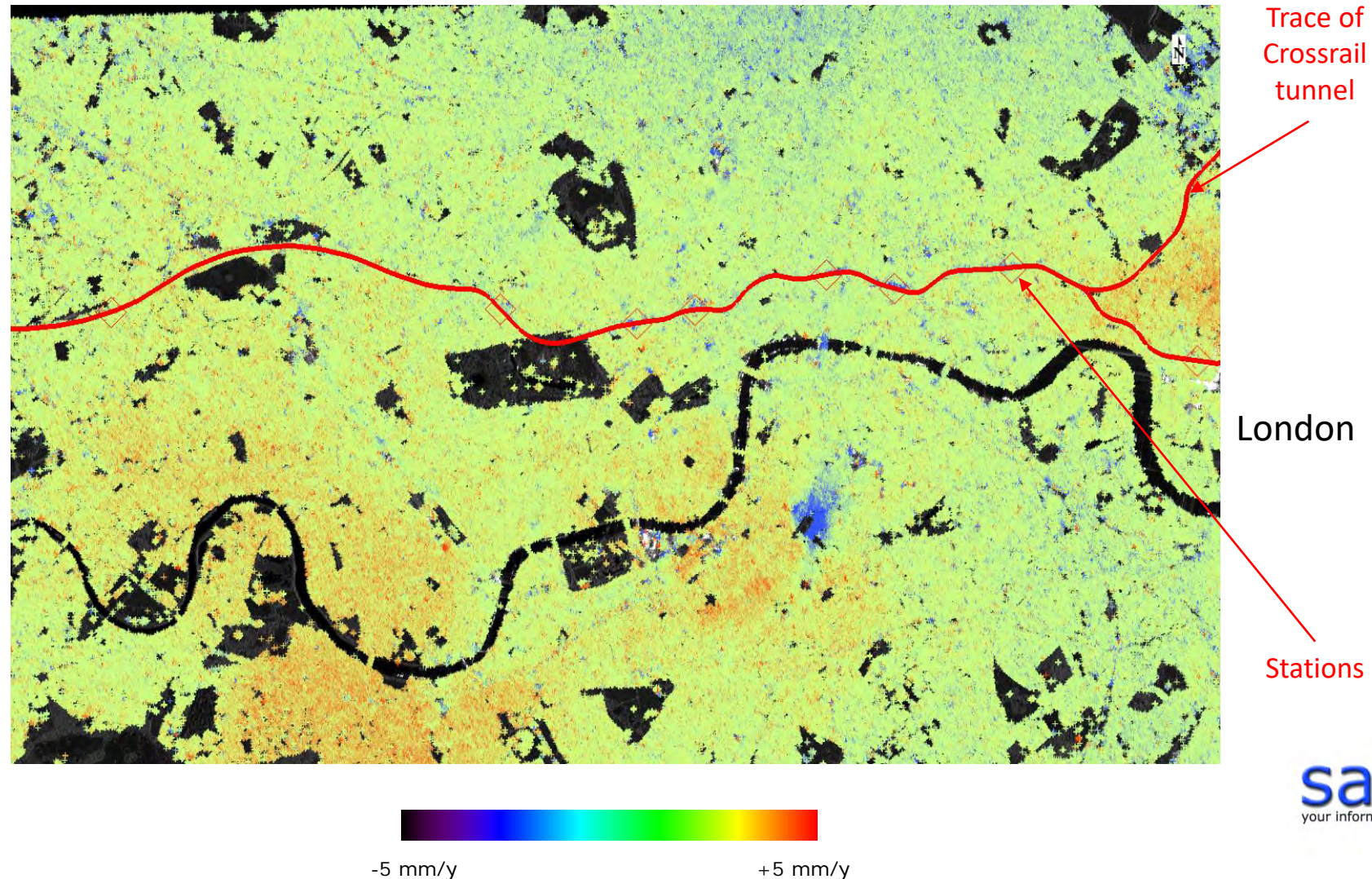


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# Paks nuclear plant



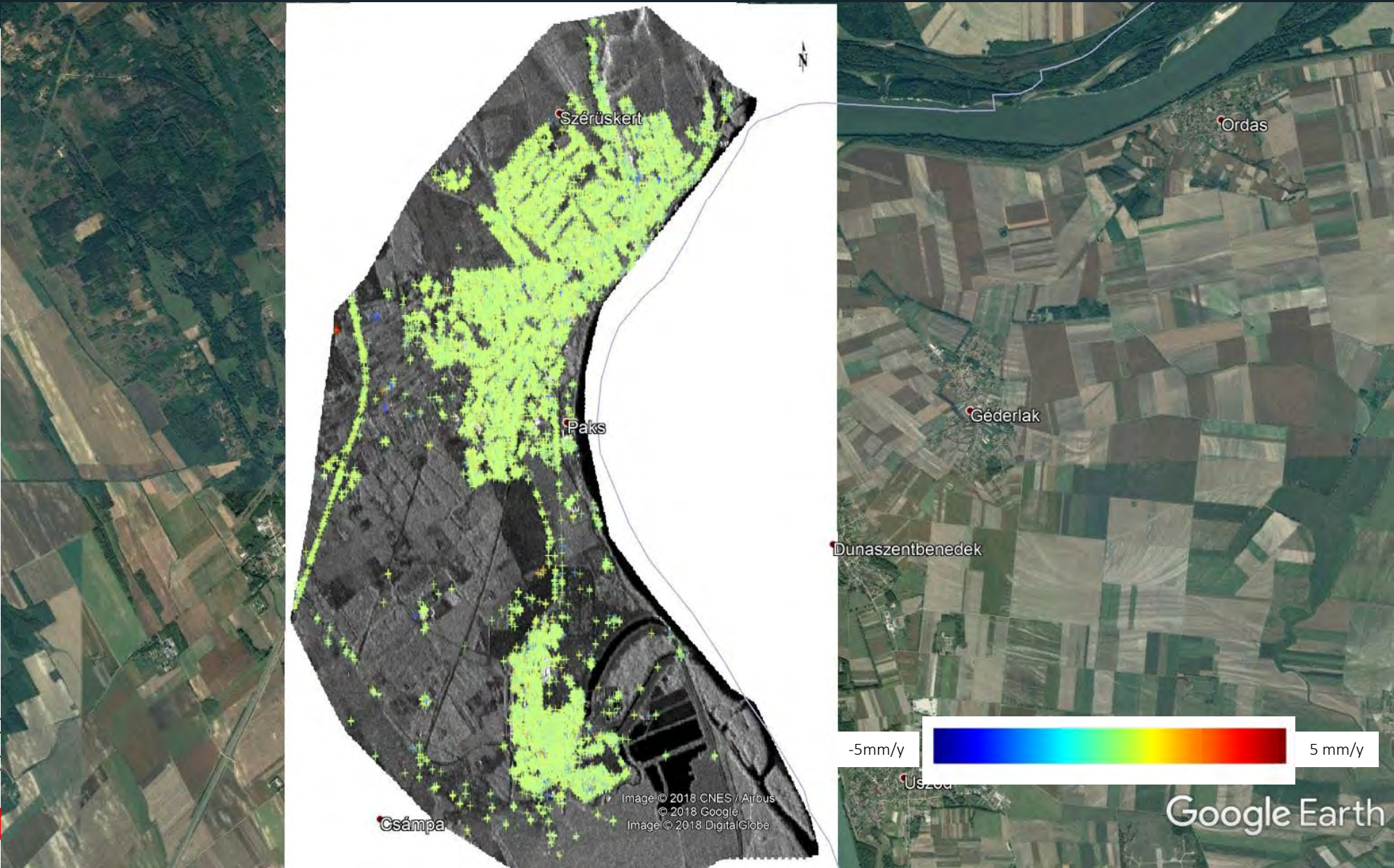


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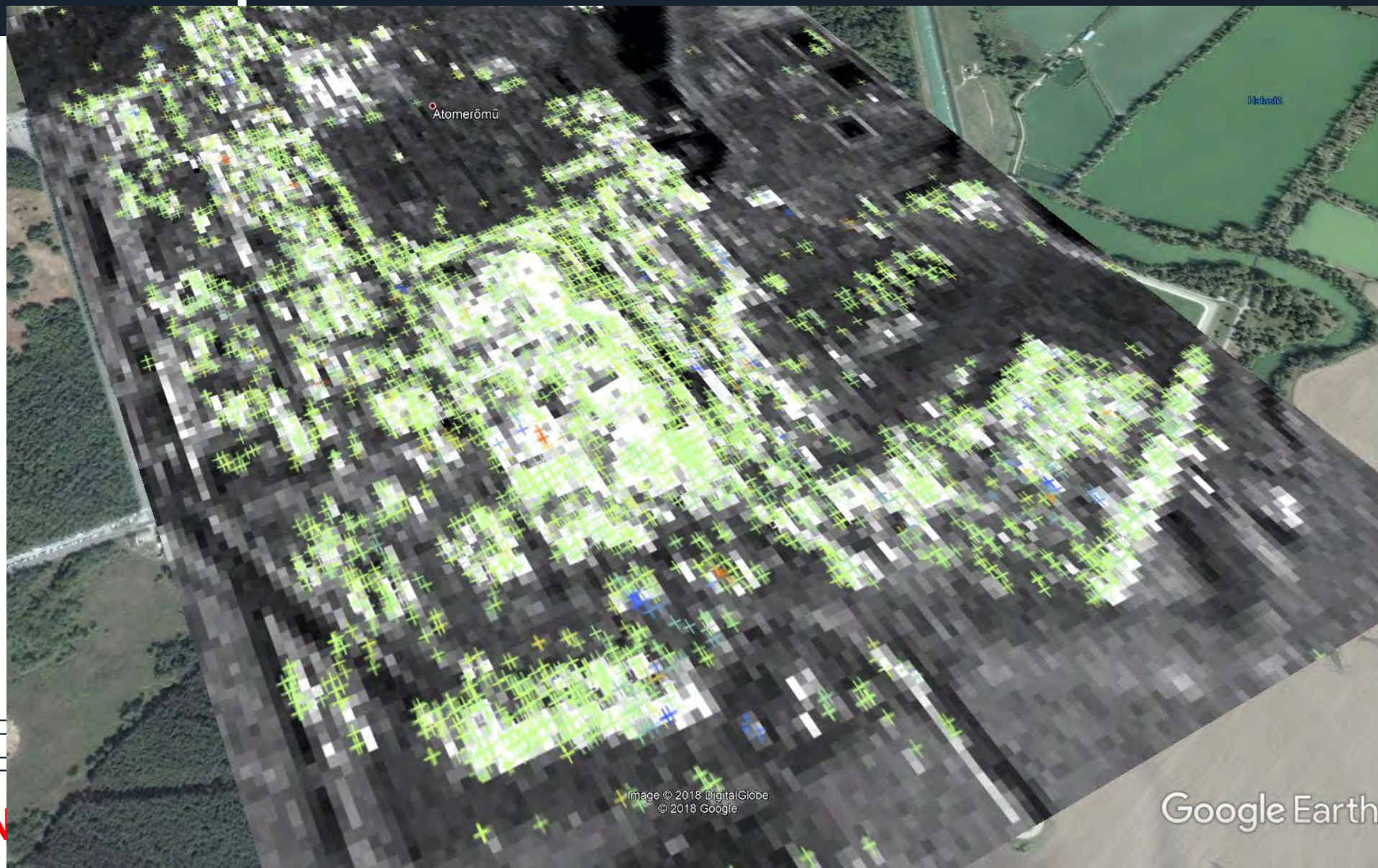


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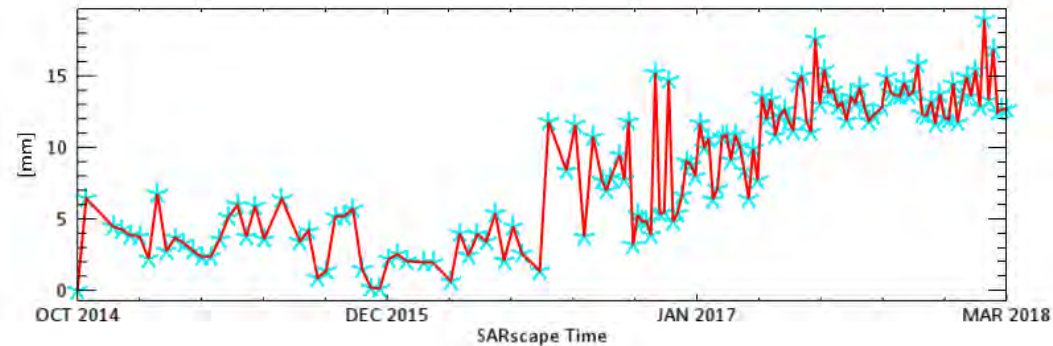
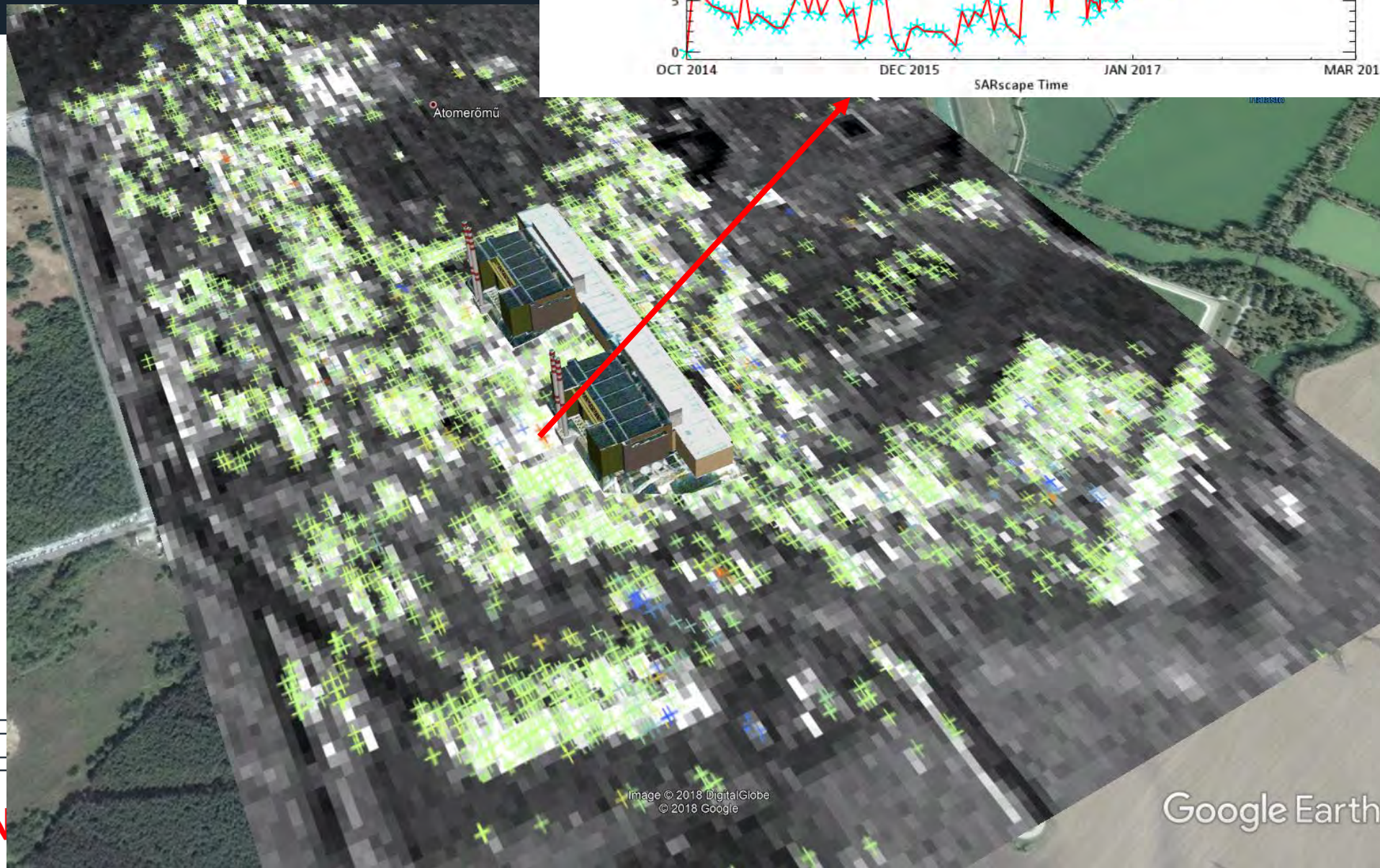


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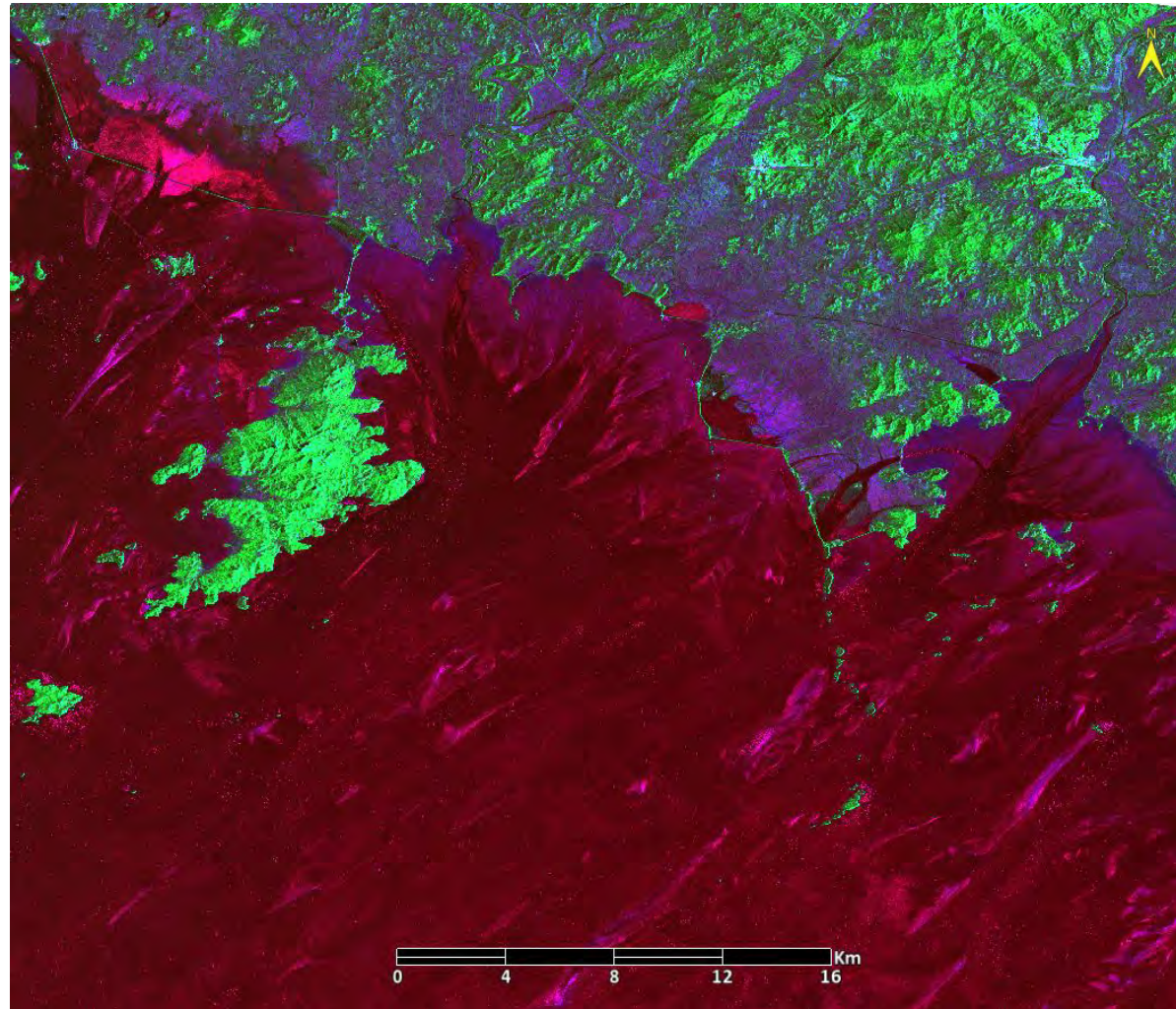
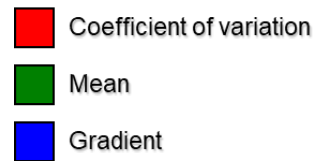


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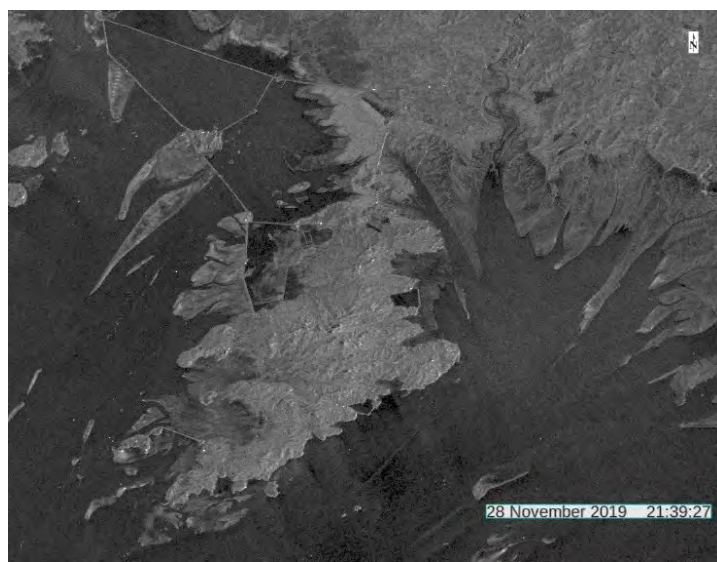
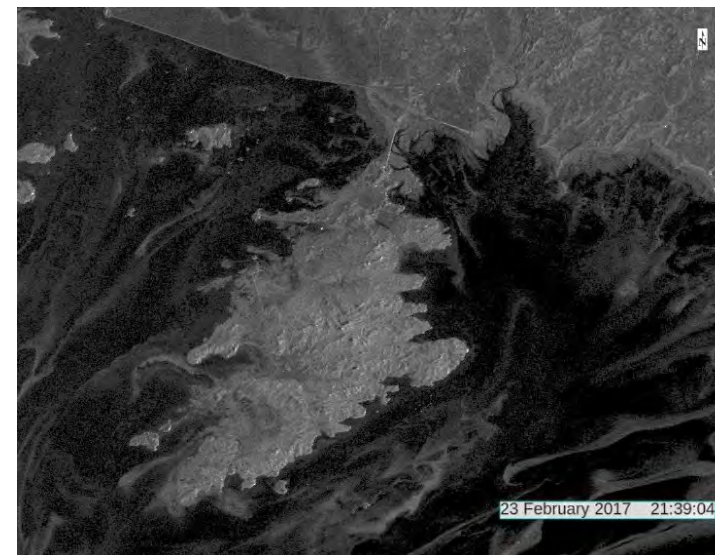
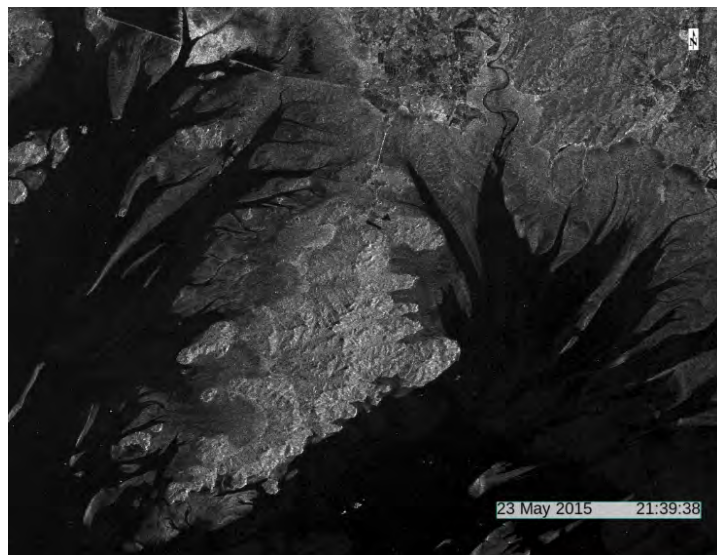
# Coastal activity

2015 - 2019

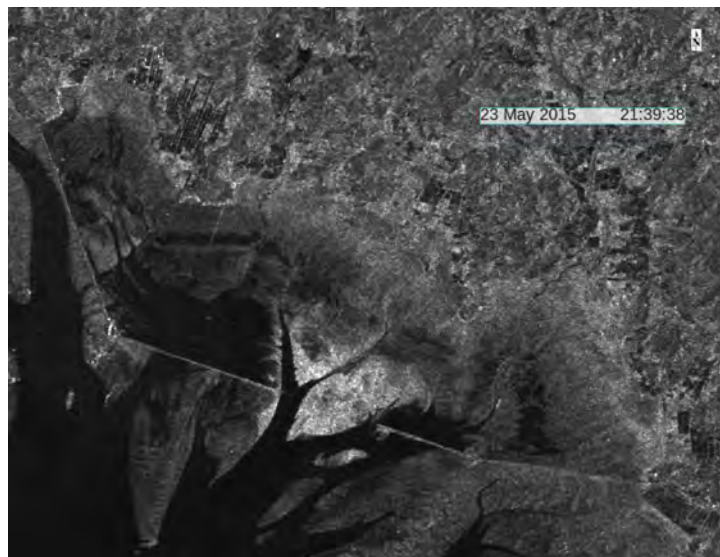




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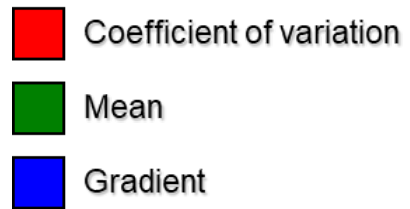


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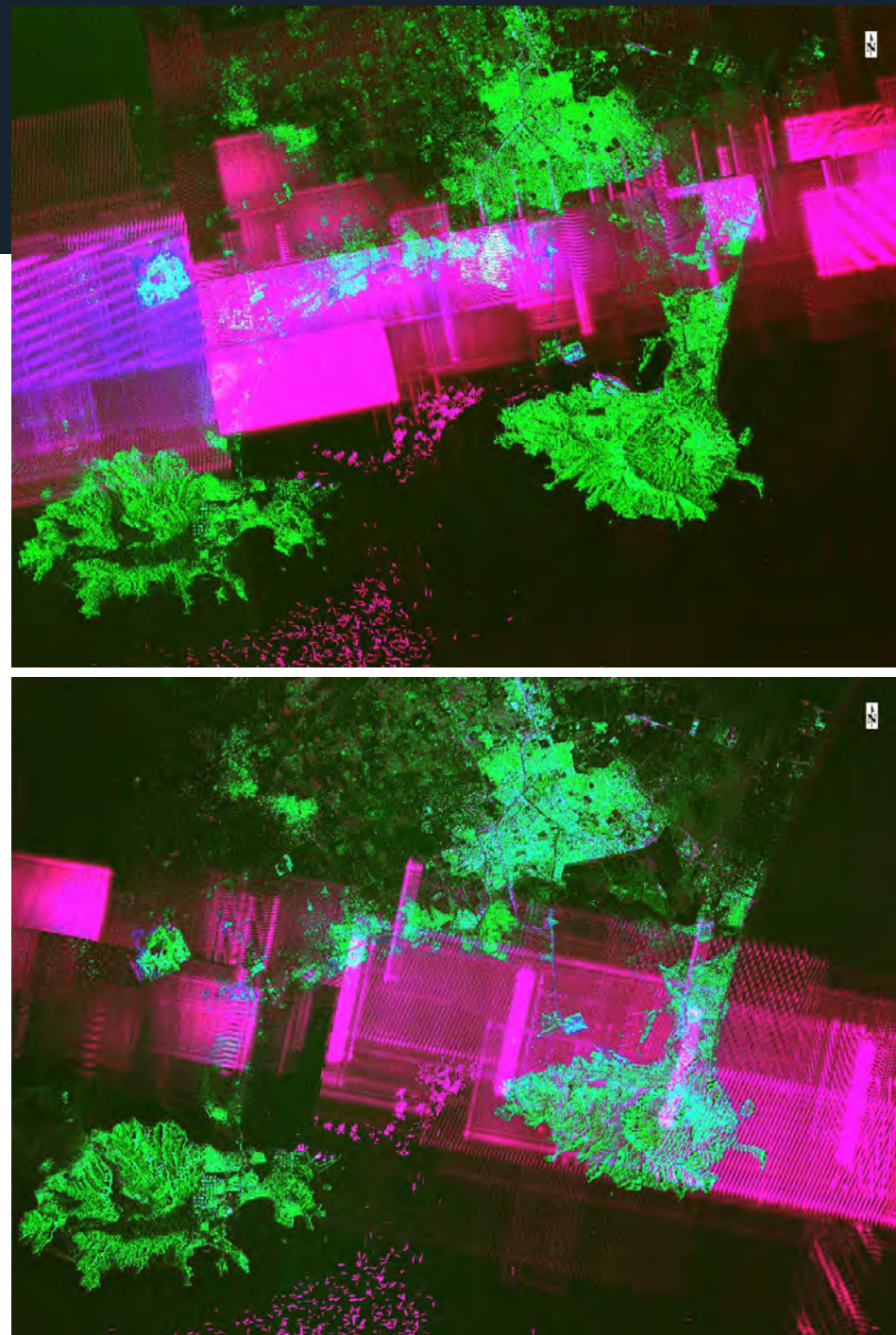
SAR image analysis can provide answers to code B requests (Change Detection / Surveillance) made according to the STANAG 3596 standard for the category 11, Coastal Reconnaissance.

# Radio Frequency Interferences

Amplitude Change Detection



2017-2019





# Radio Frequency Interferences



2017-2019

# Radio Frequency Interferences





# STANAG Terminology

SAR image analysis can provide some answers to code B requests (Change Detection / Surveillance) made according to the STANAG 3596 standard for the category 3, Missile Systems / Electronic installations.

Thanks a lot for your attention!