

# Surface Motion Monitoring Using SAR Interferometric Techniques

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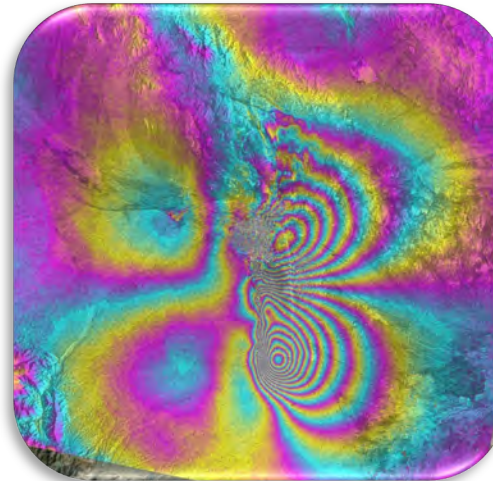
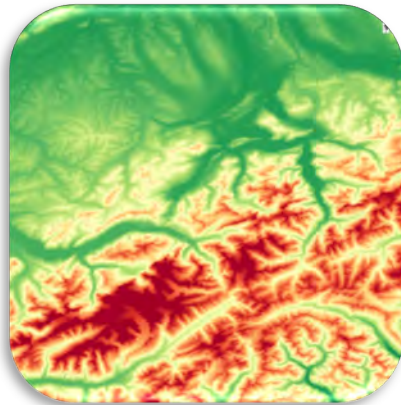
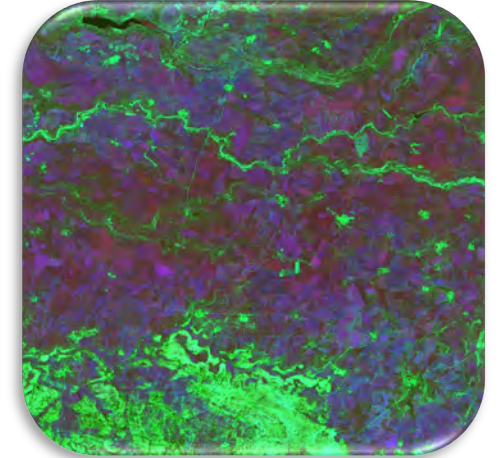
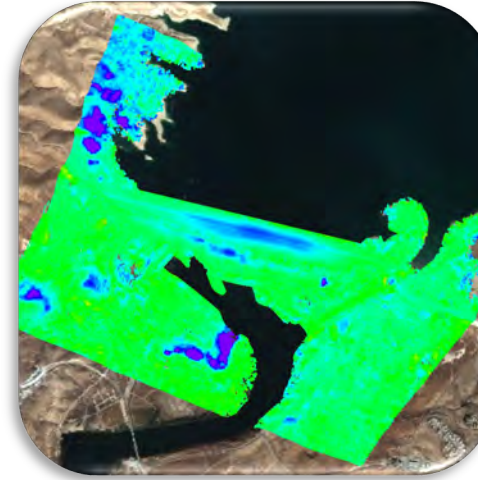
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# Main Applications of SAR data



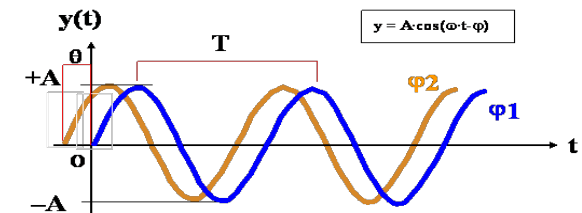
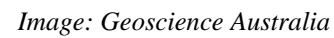
- Topography - Digital Surface Model
- Snow and glacial
- Coastal monitoring
- Deforestation
- Agriculture
- Defence and Security
- Target Detection



- Oil and Gas
- Natural Disasters
- Subsidence
- Landslides
- Land Displacement and modeling
- Infrastructure monitoring
- ...



# SAR SESSIONS



# Line-Of-Sight Deformations



*Sketch of the satellite Line-of-sight (LOS), represented by the red dashed line.*

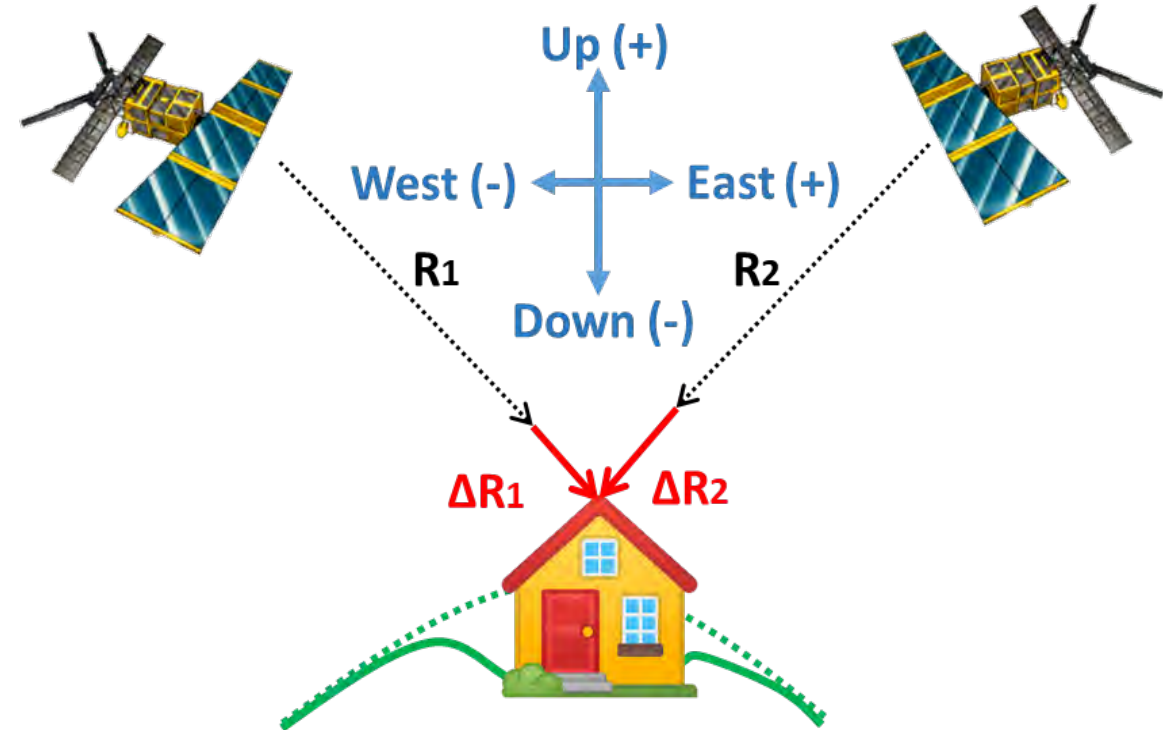
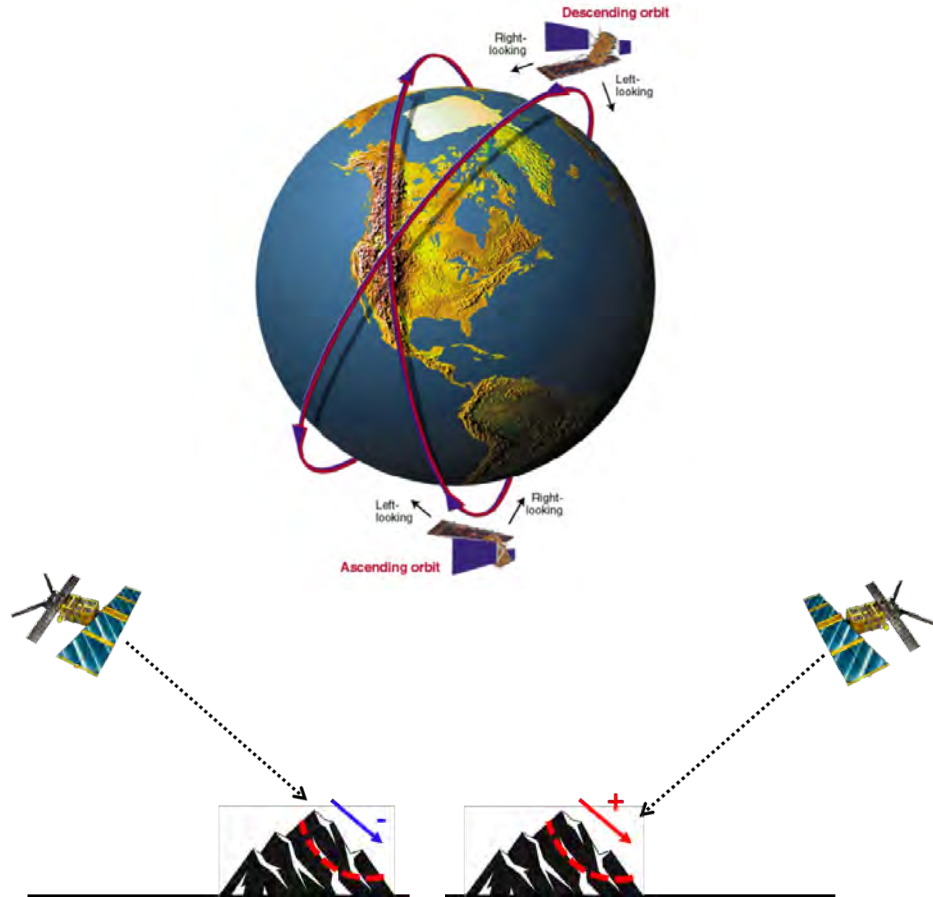


*Sketch of the measurement of the displacement along the Line-of-Sight (LOS) direction, where the interferometric phase is proportional to the differences of range distances ( $\Delta R$ ).*

Signal backscatter  
- Phase -



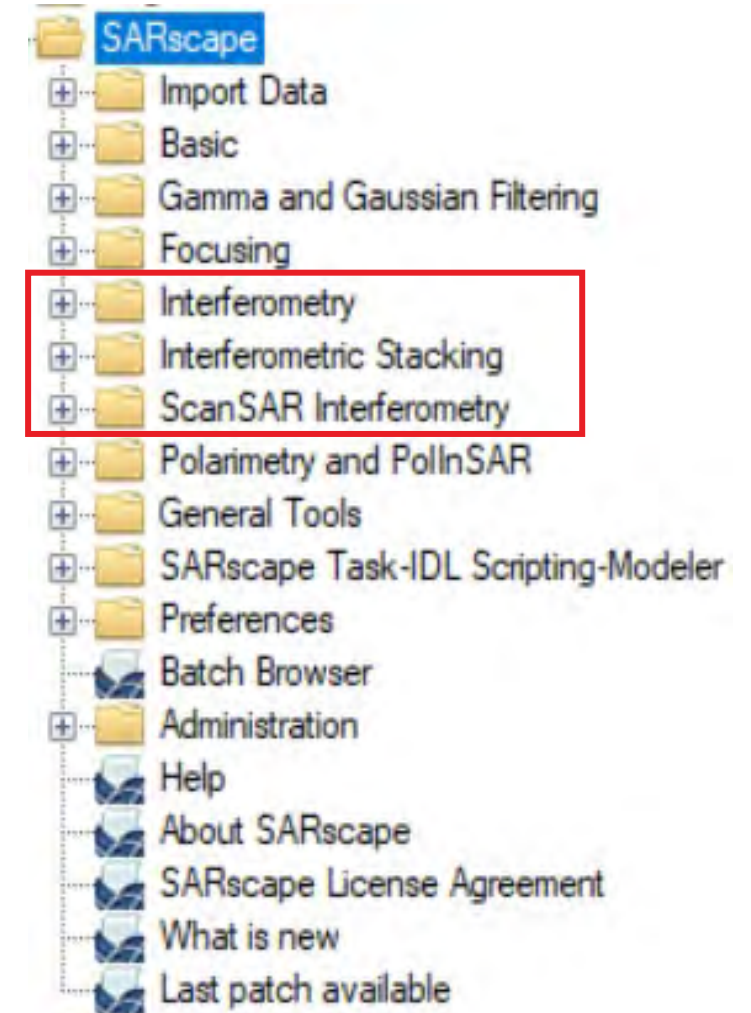
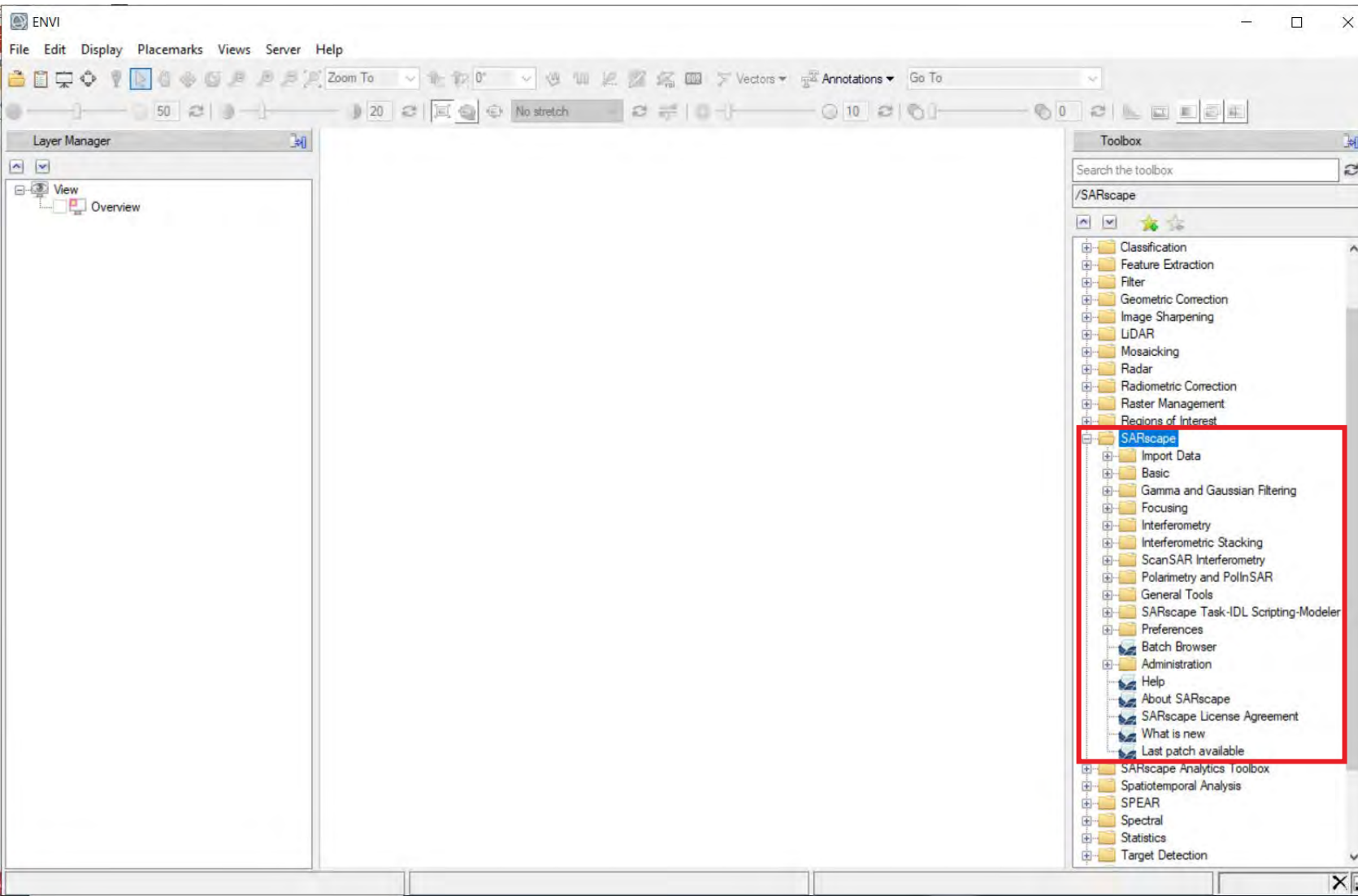
# Deformation Projections



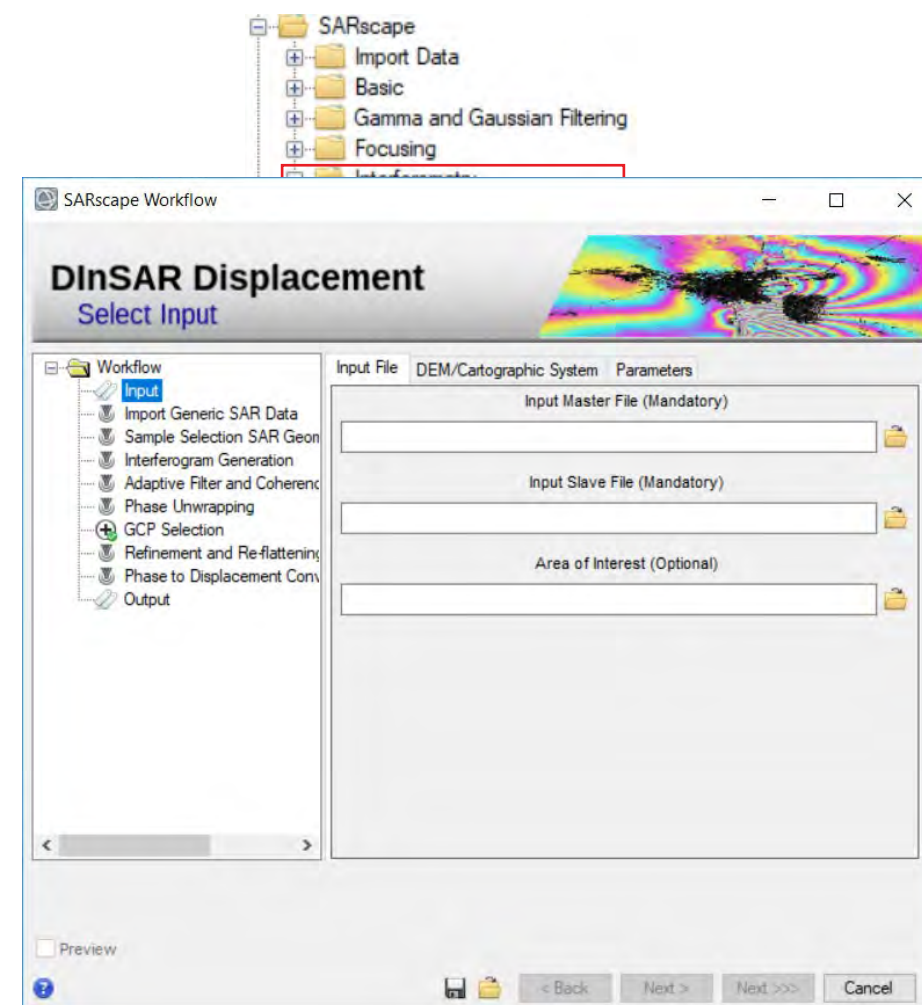
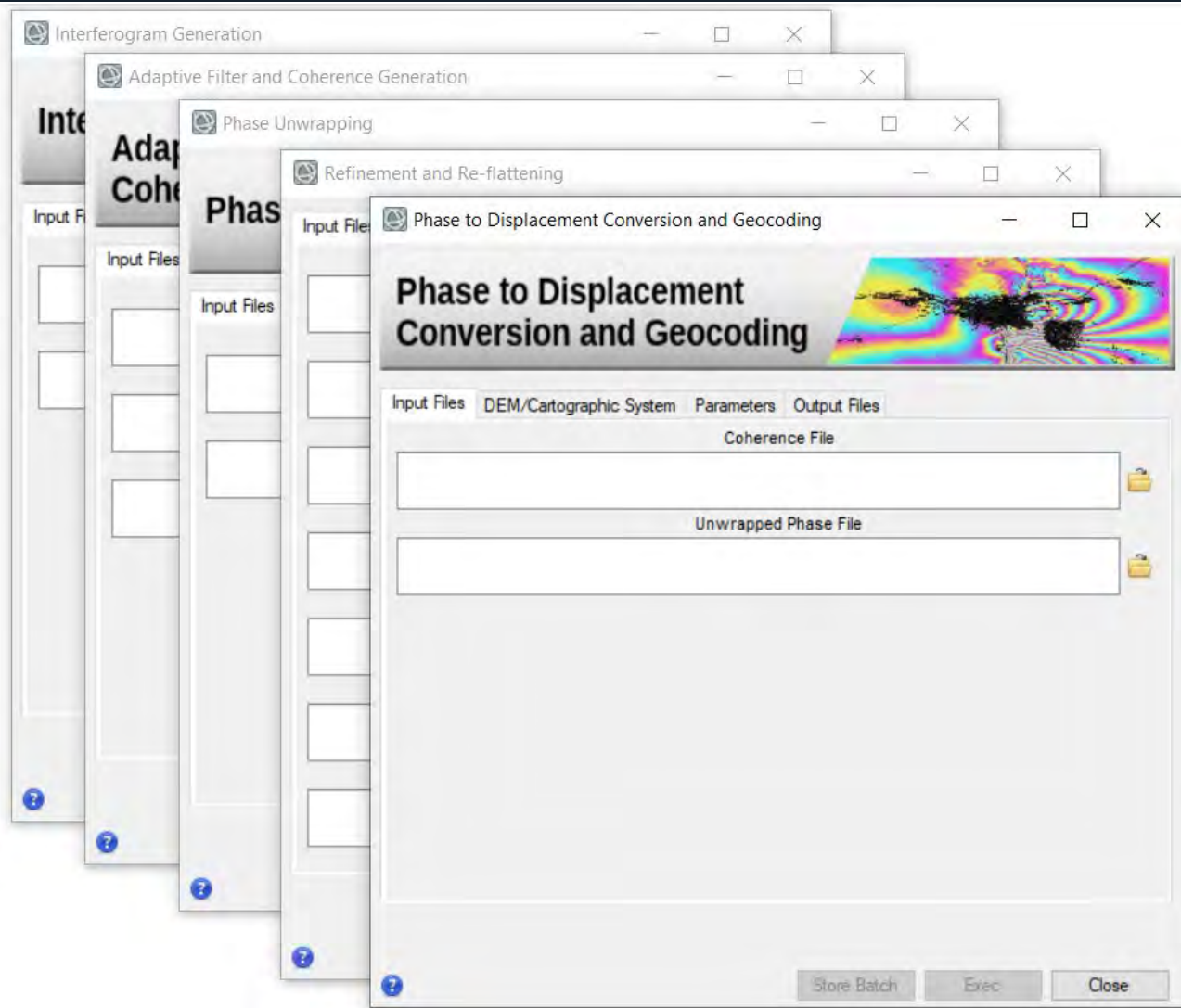
Sketch of the velocity of deformation projection along the vertical (Up-Down) and horizontal (West-East) directions. The projection can be performed if two satellite datasets (ascending and descending) are available.



# ENVI SARscape

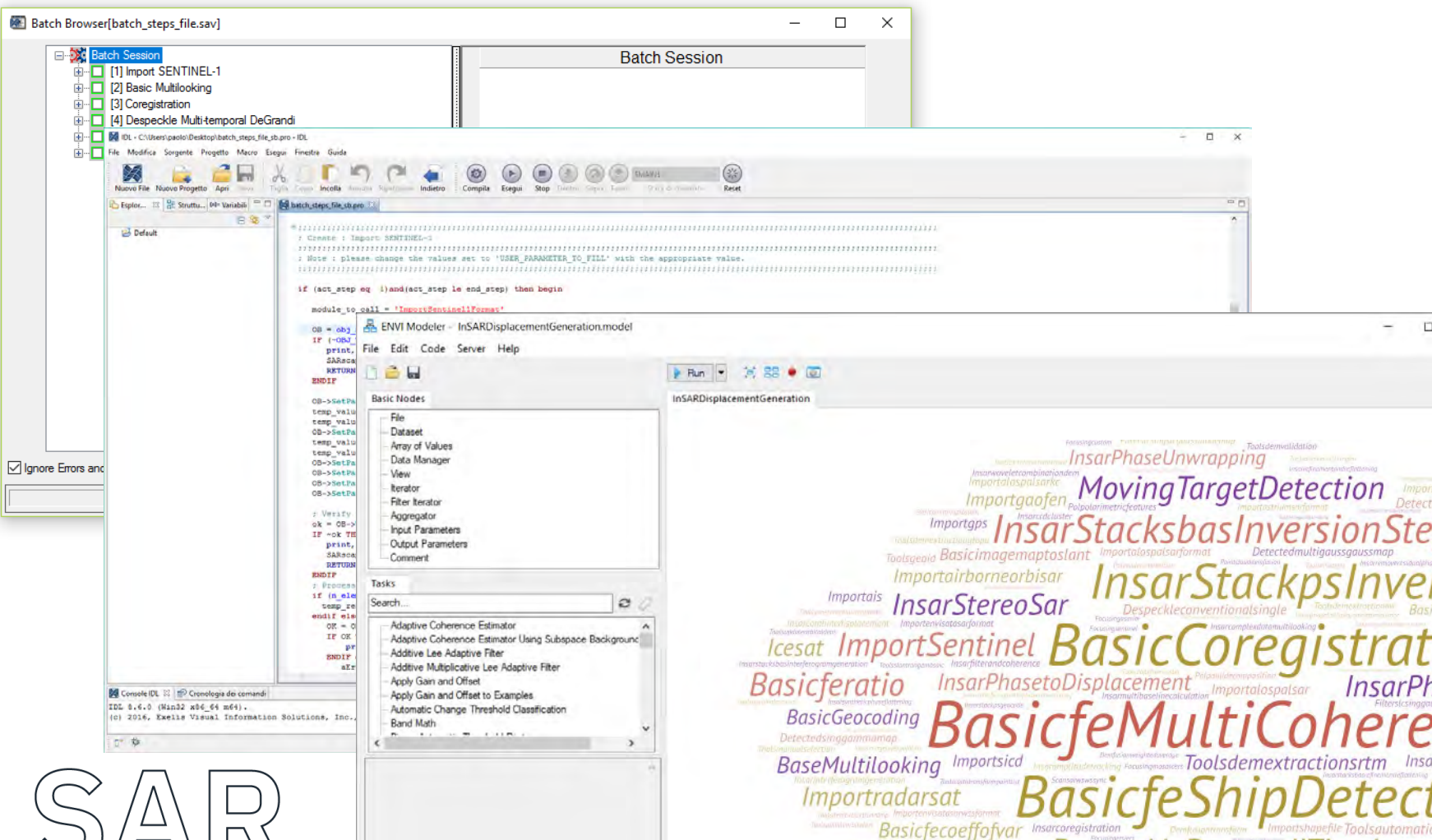


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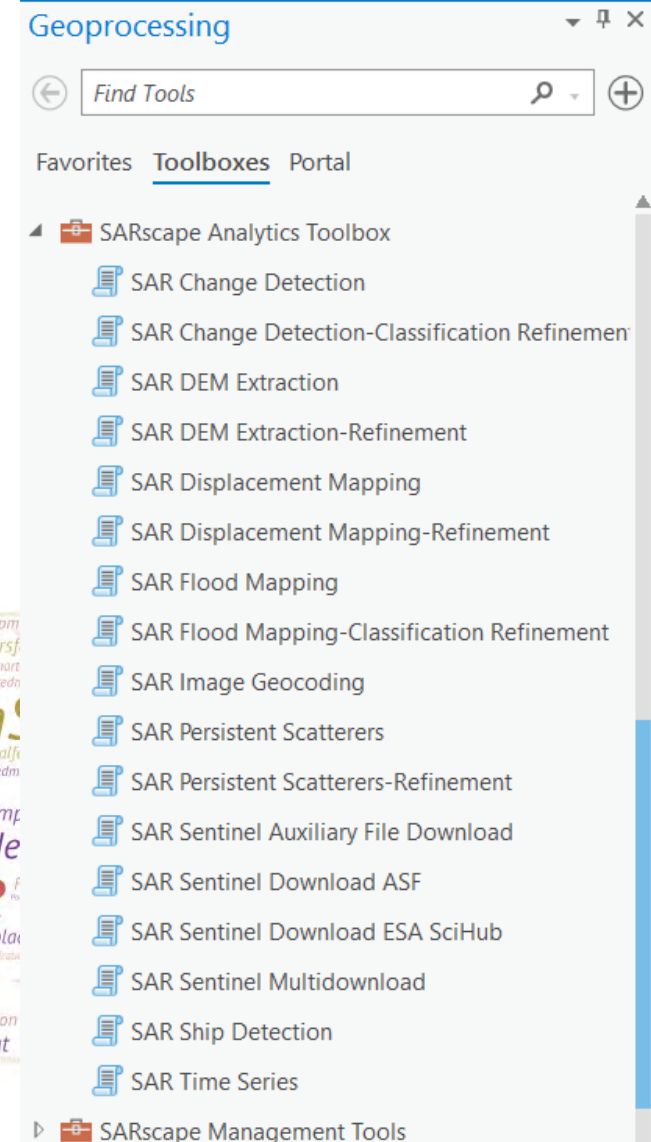




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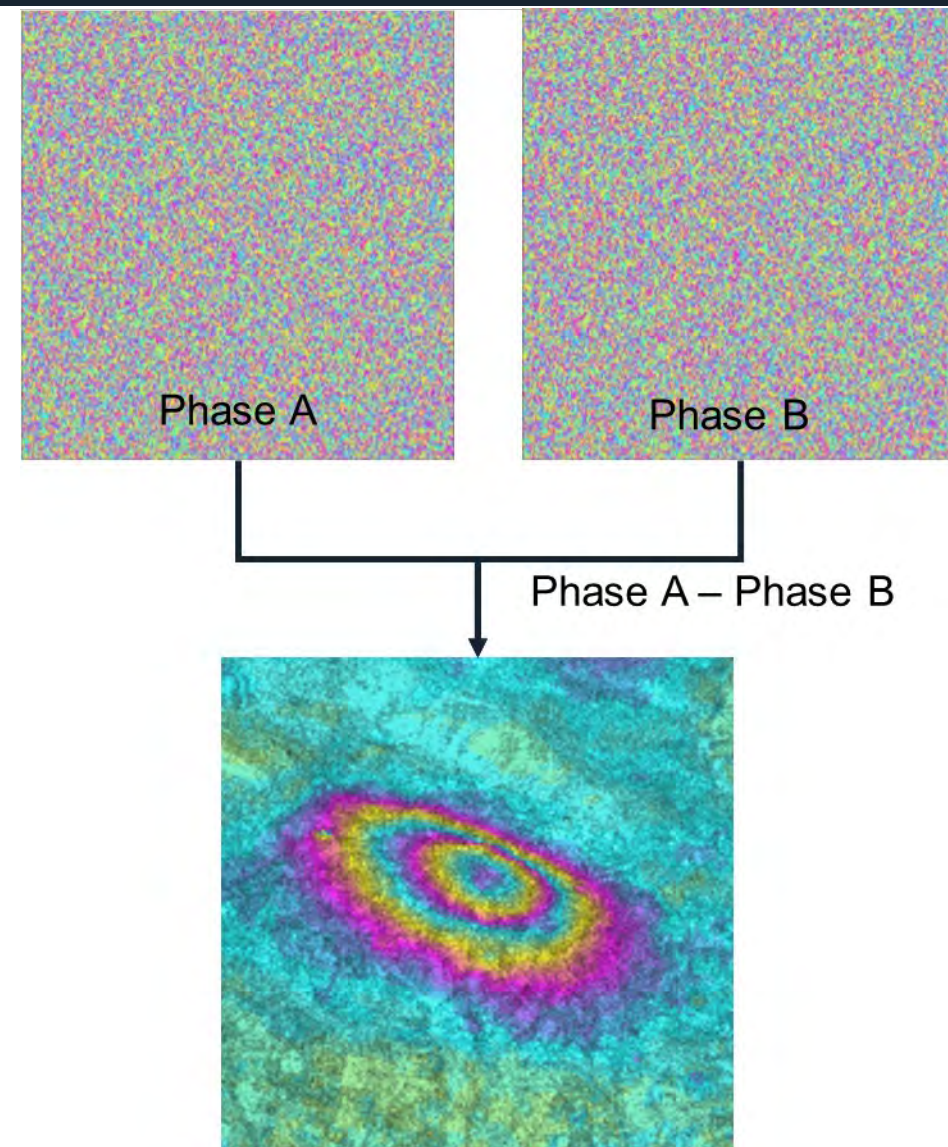
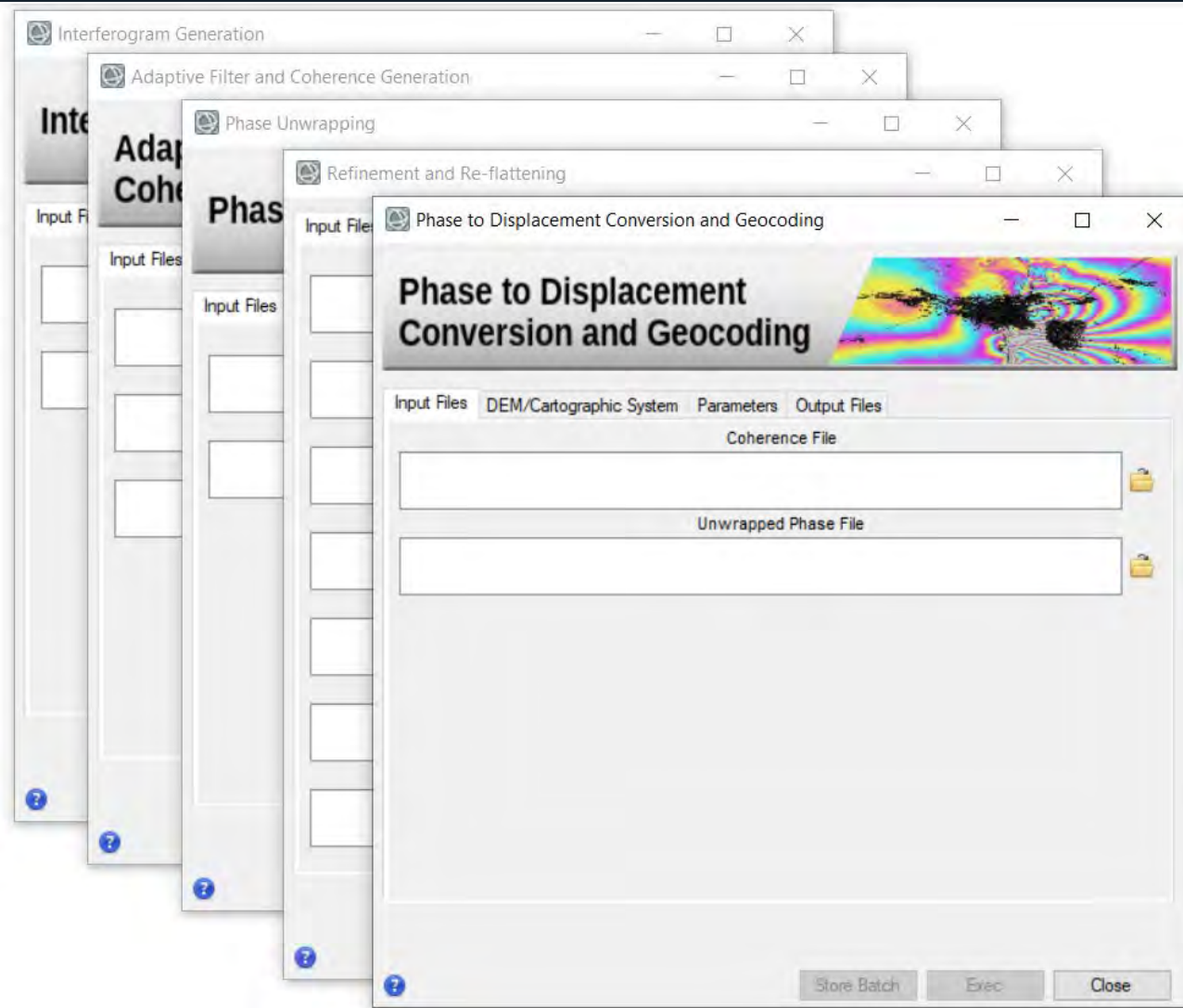




# Differential SAR Interferometry and Geophysical Modeling

The December 2020 Greek Earthquake

# The Earthquake affecting Boeotia area, Central Greece, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020



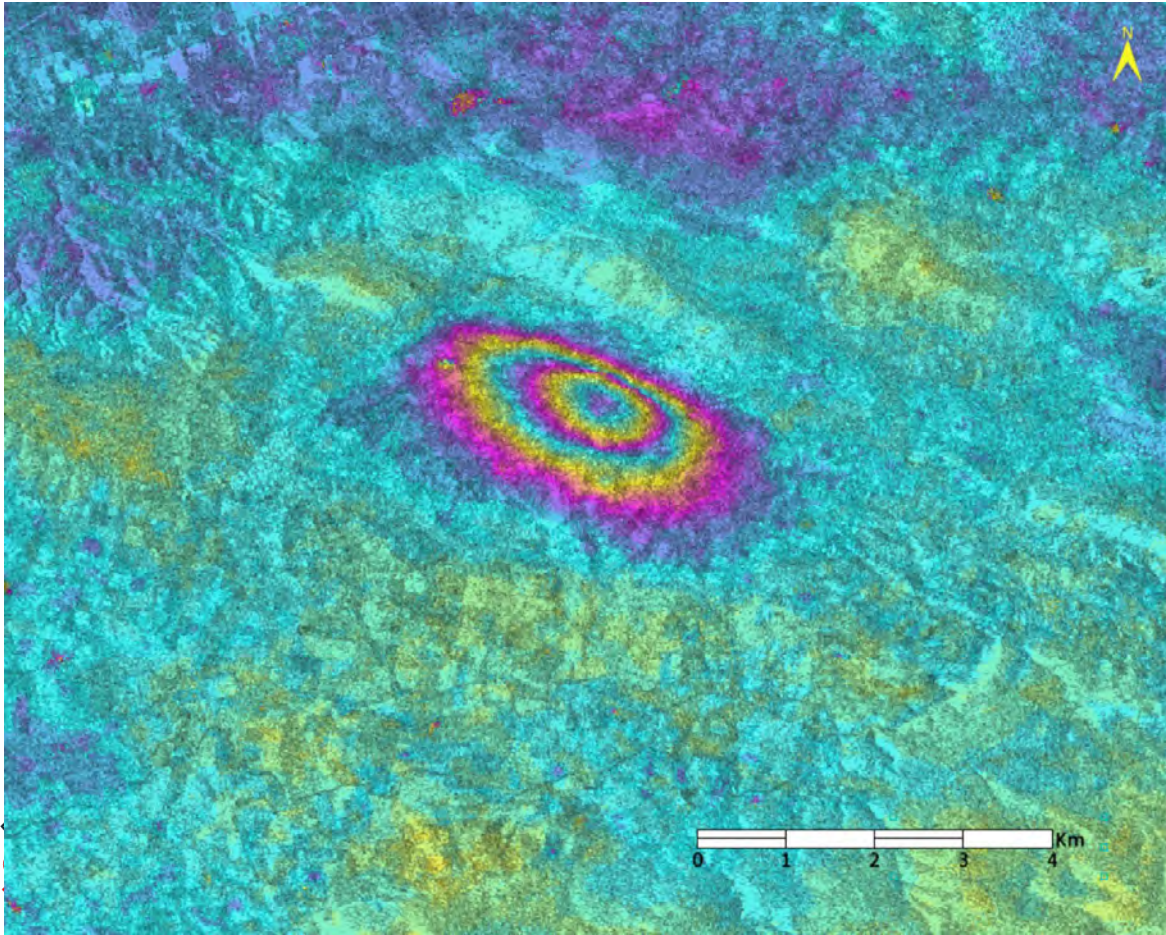


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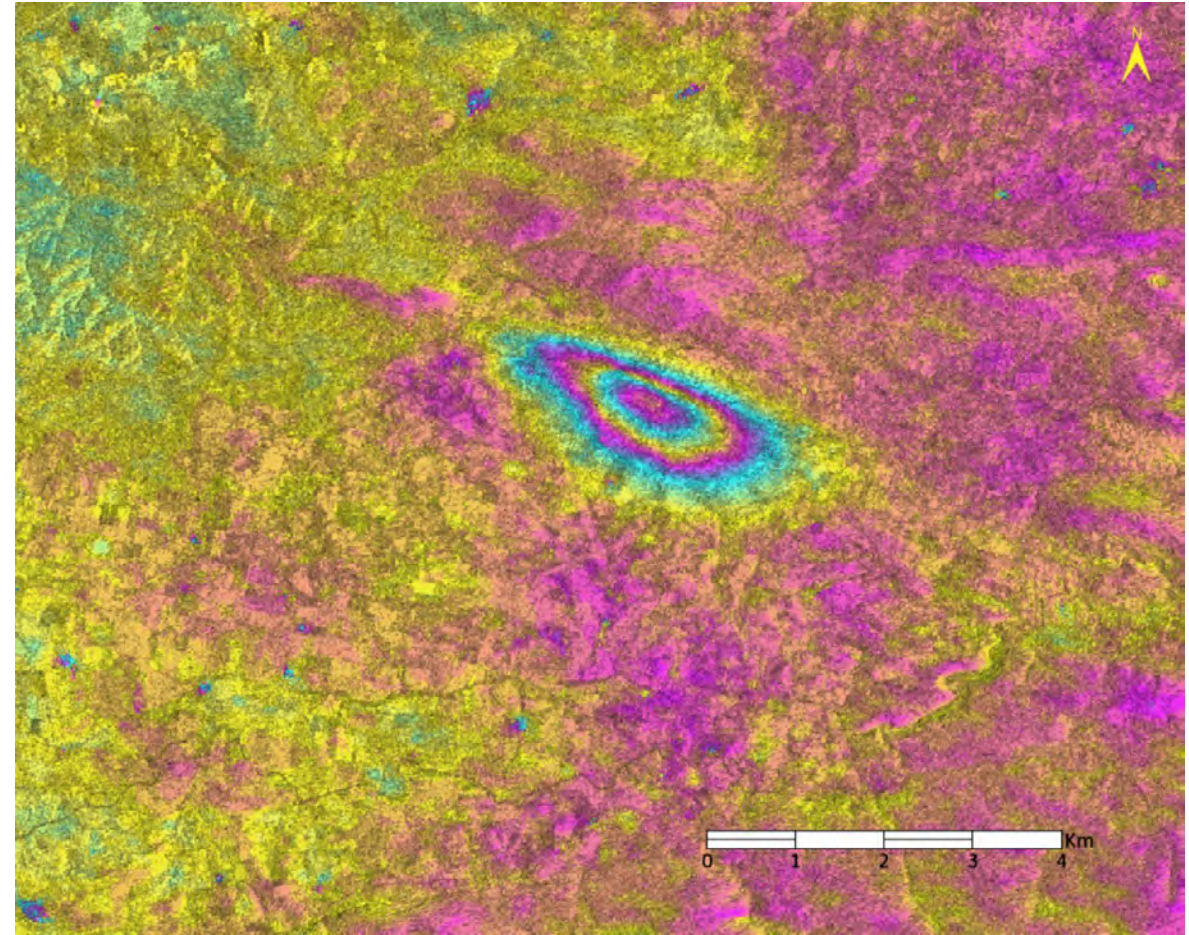


## Differential Interferometric processing using Sentinel-1 SAR data

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Relative Orbit 7 Descending. Master 20201127 – Slave 20201203

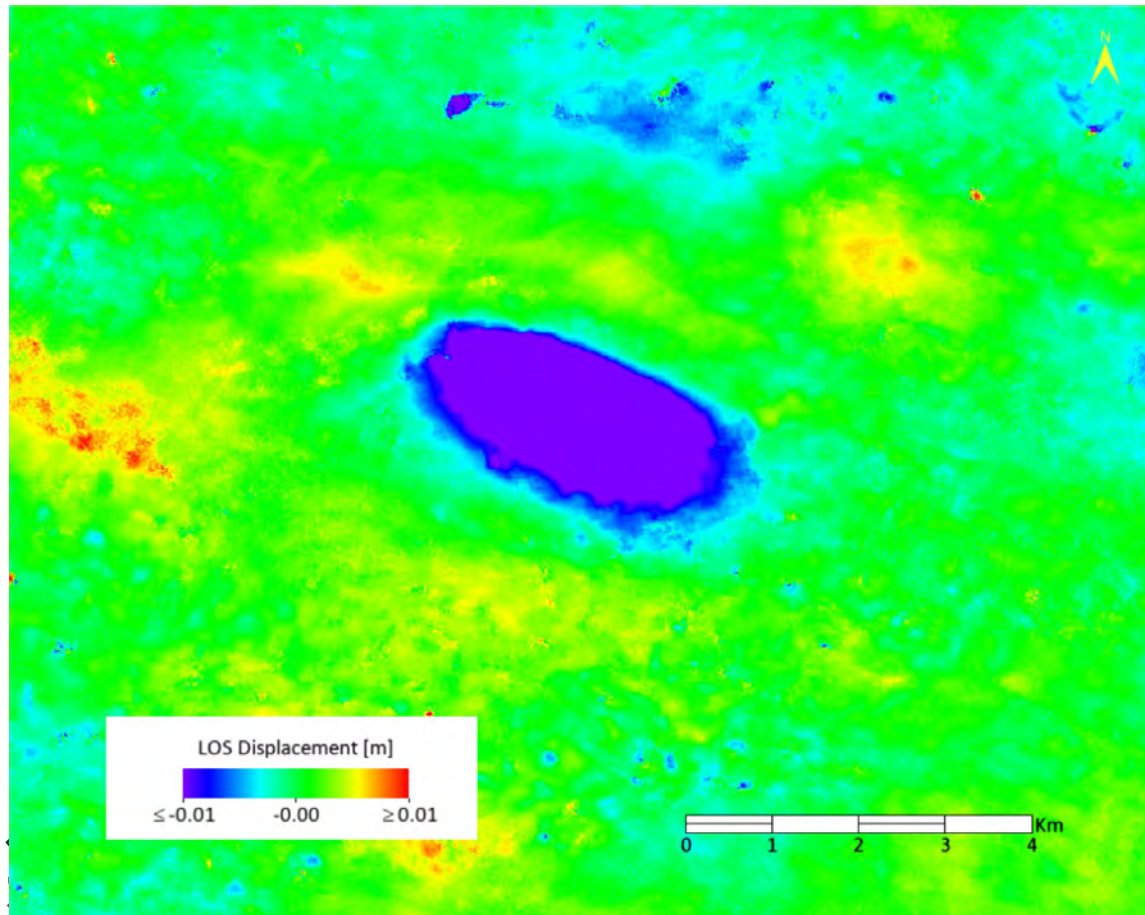




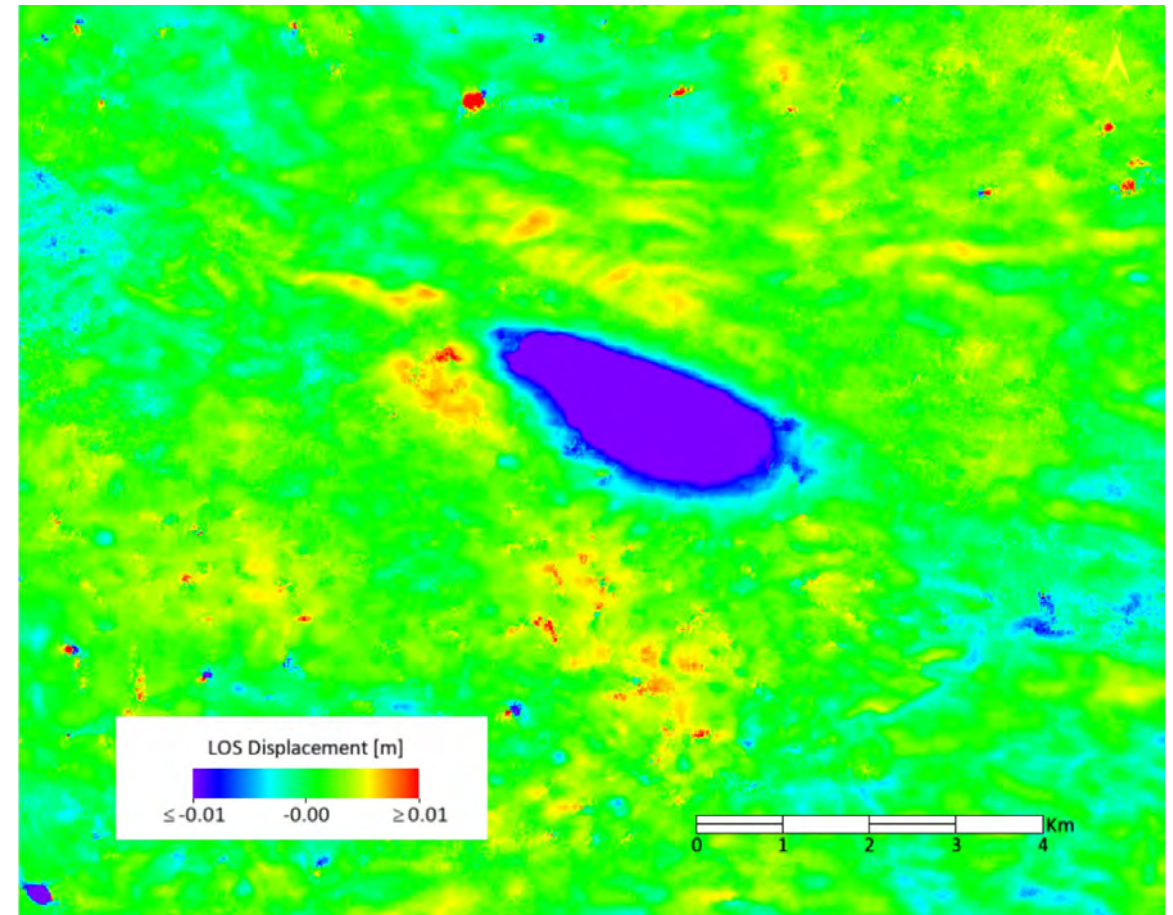
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## LOS displacements Differential Interferometric processing using Sentinel-1 SAR data

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# Geophisycal modeling of the seismic event



## M 4.5 - 3 km WNW of Árma, Greece USGS Information

2020-12-02 10:54:58 (UTC) | 38.361°N 23.453°E | 10.0 km depth

### Moment Tensor

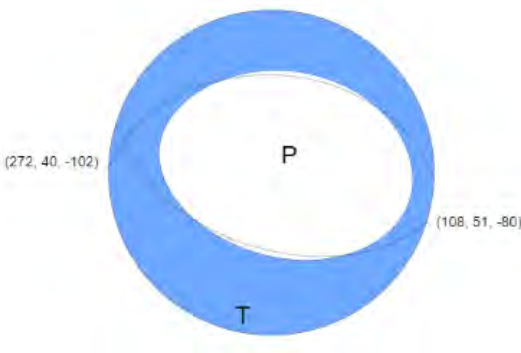
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Contributed by [US](#) <sup>1</sup> last updated 2020-12-02 11:13:27 (UTC)

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- ✓ The data below have been reviewed by a scientist

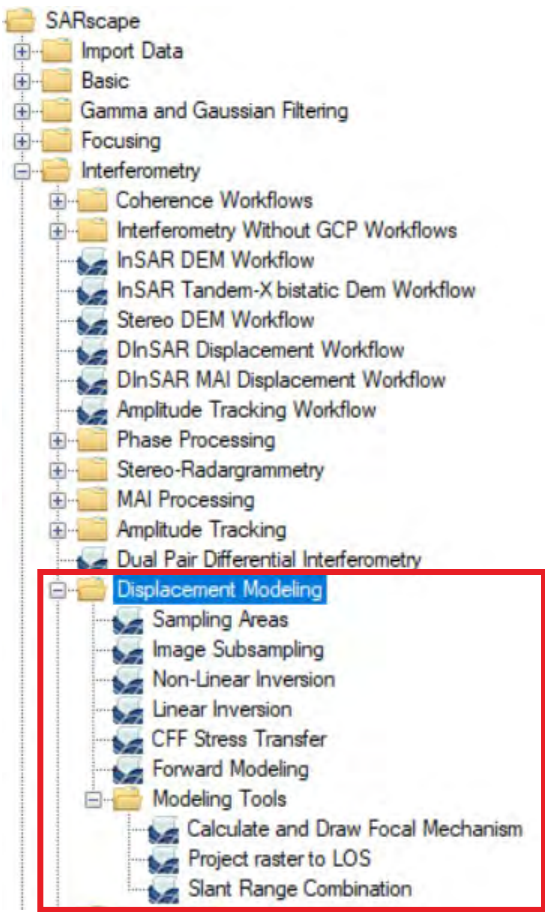
### Regional Moment Tensor (Mwr)

Moment	6.940e+15 N-m
Magnitude	4.49 Mwr
Depth	2.0 km
Percent DC	66%



### Nodal Planes

Plane	Strike	Dip	Rake
NP1	272°	40°	-102°
NP2	108°	51°	-80°

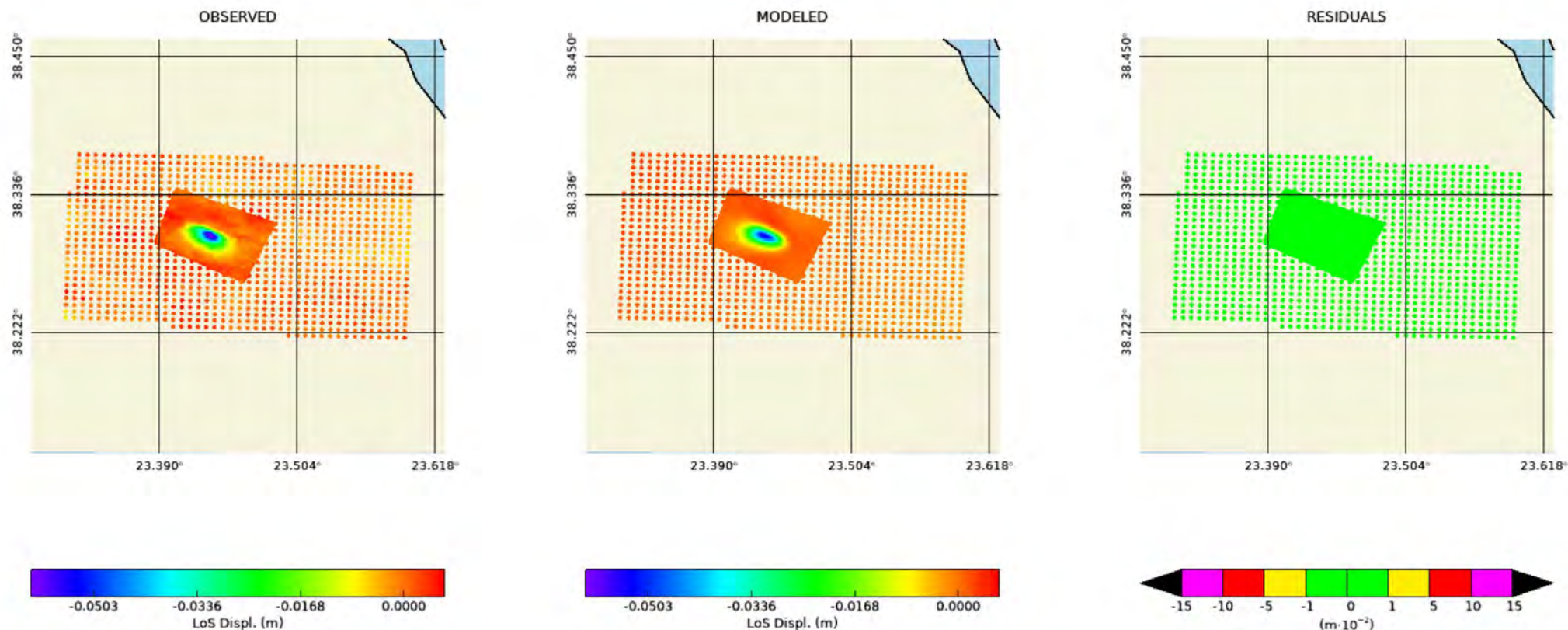


## Sarscape Geophysical modeling tool



# Geophysycal modeling of the seismic event

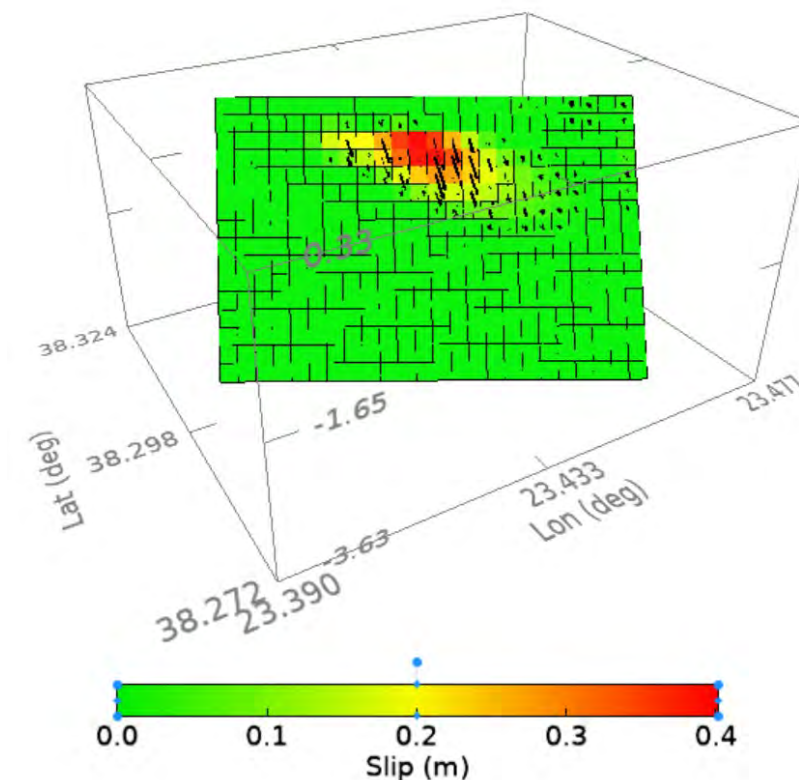
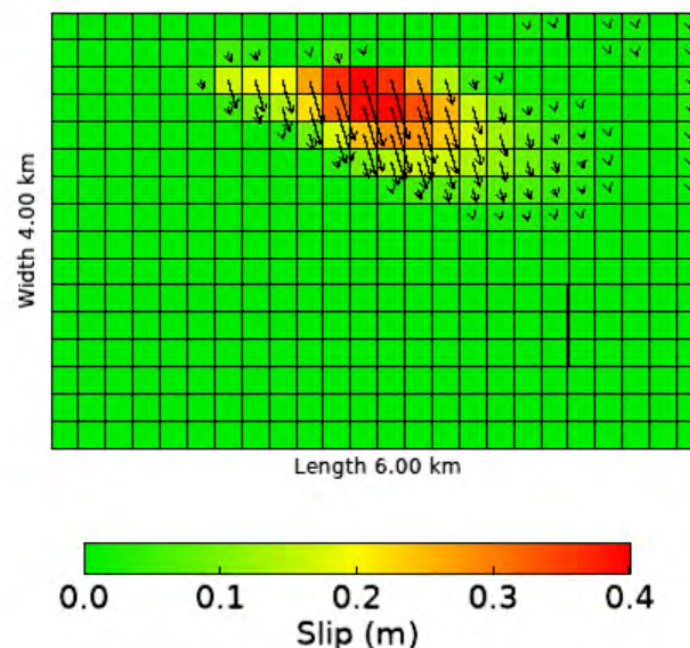
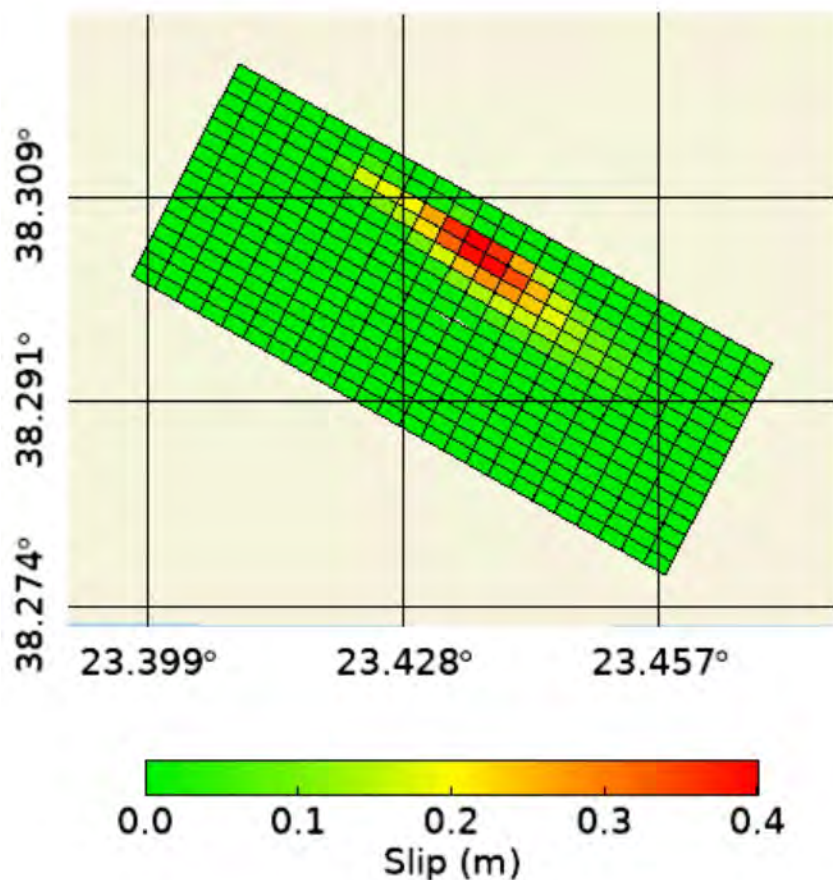
## Non-Linear Inversion step - Descending dataset





# Geophysical modeling of the seismic event

## Linear Inversion step



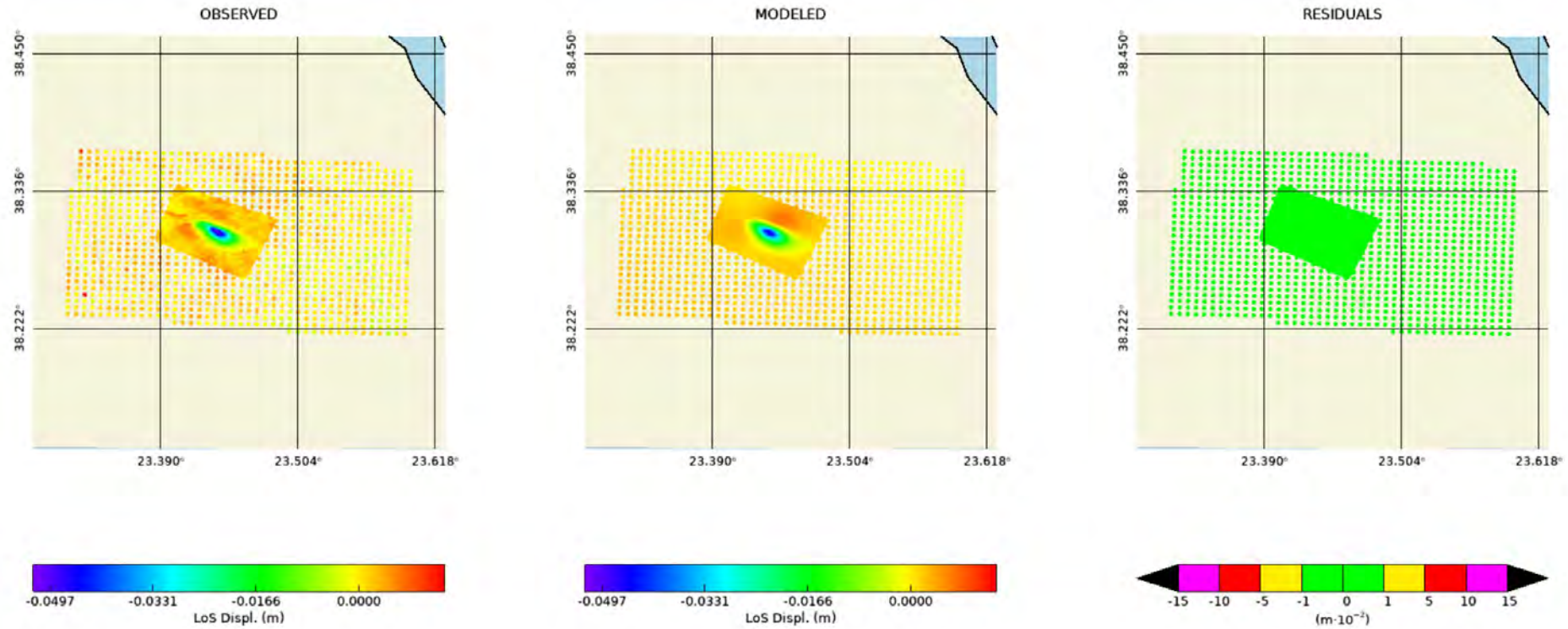
**INVERSION RESULTS:**  
 Overall geodetic moment:  $1.63\text{E}+016$  N\*m  
 Moment Magnitude: 4.77

Okada\_Source (OKADASOURCE type)  
 Number of source features: 384  
 Geodetic Moment:  $1.63\text{E}+016$  N\*m  
 Strike, Dip, Rake (deg): Multiple values, 55.65, -73.57  
 Slip values (min/max): 0.0000/0.4013 m  
 Invert for: Distributed and positive slip with fixed rake  
 Topography compensation applied  
 Reference point: (4) Fault trace center - Along dip top edge

The linear inversion is generally carried out after the Non-Linear Inversion out to retrieve a slip distribution over a fault

# Geophysycal modeling of the seismic event

## Linear Inversion step - Ascending dataset

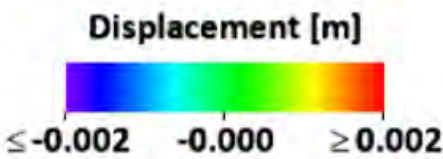




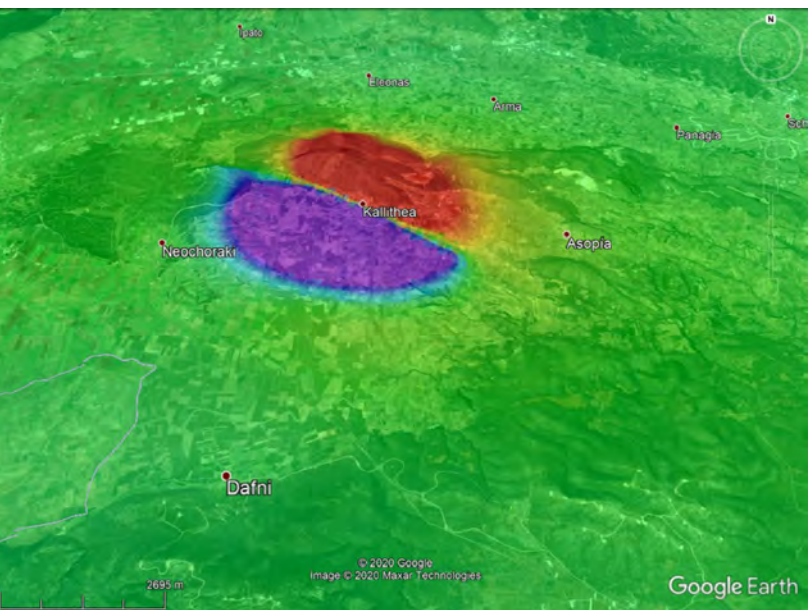
# Geophysycal modeling of the seismic event

## Forward model

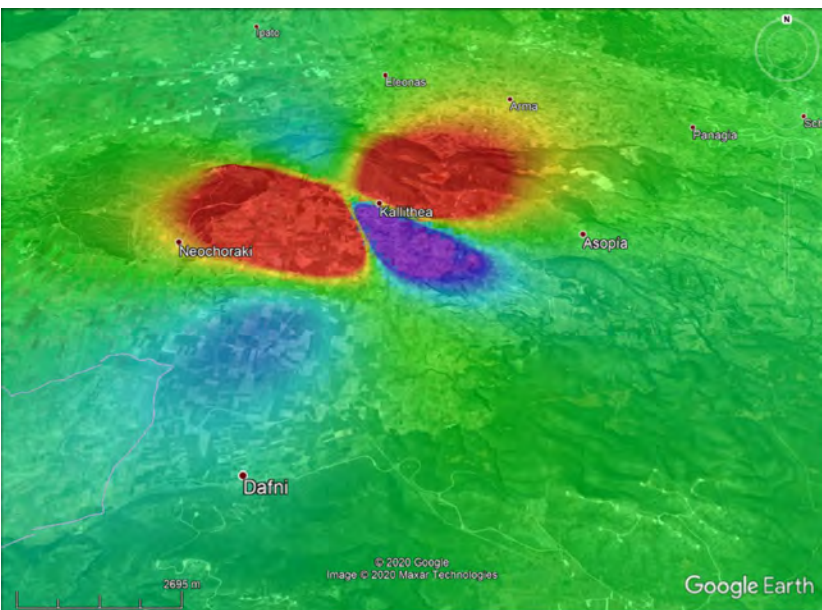
Forward modeling is used to generate the surface displacement due to any combination of geophysical sources, in a geocoded or slant range geometry



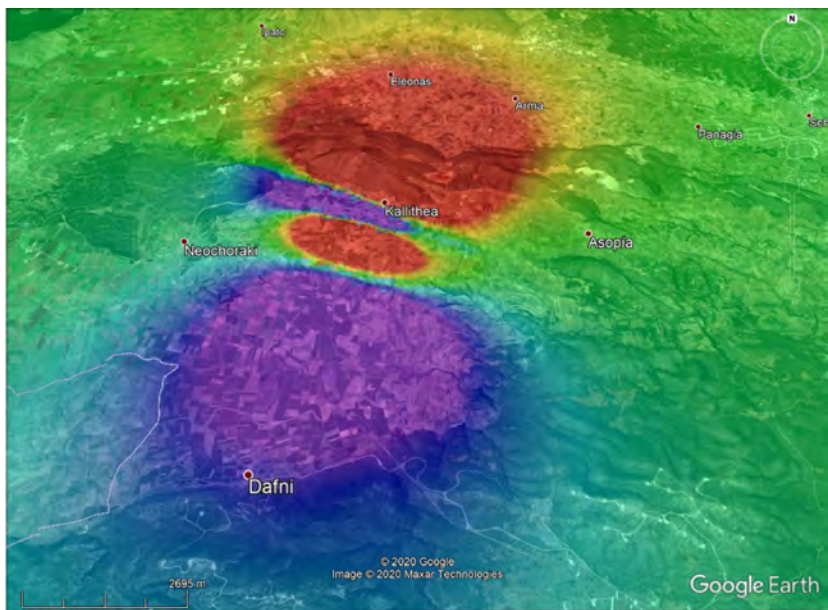
Vertical component



East-West component



North-South component



# Multi-temporal Interferometric Techniques

PS vs SBAS

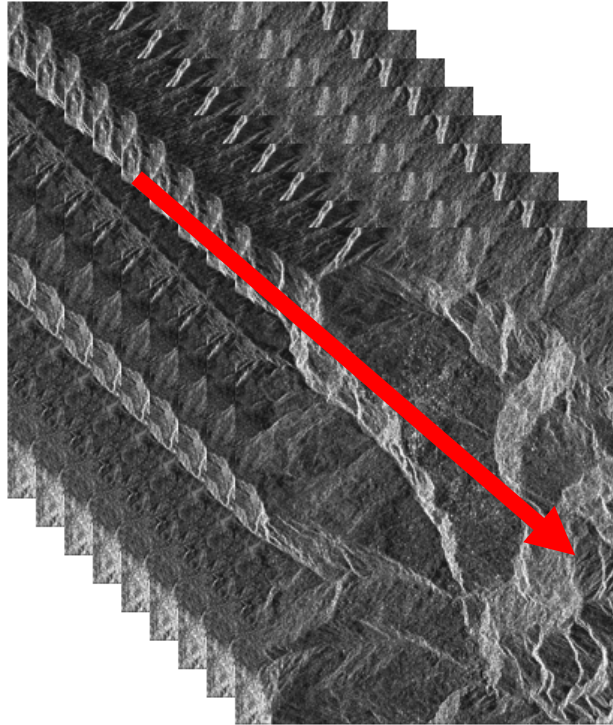
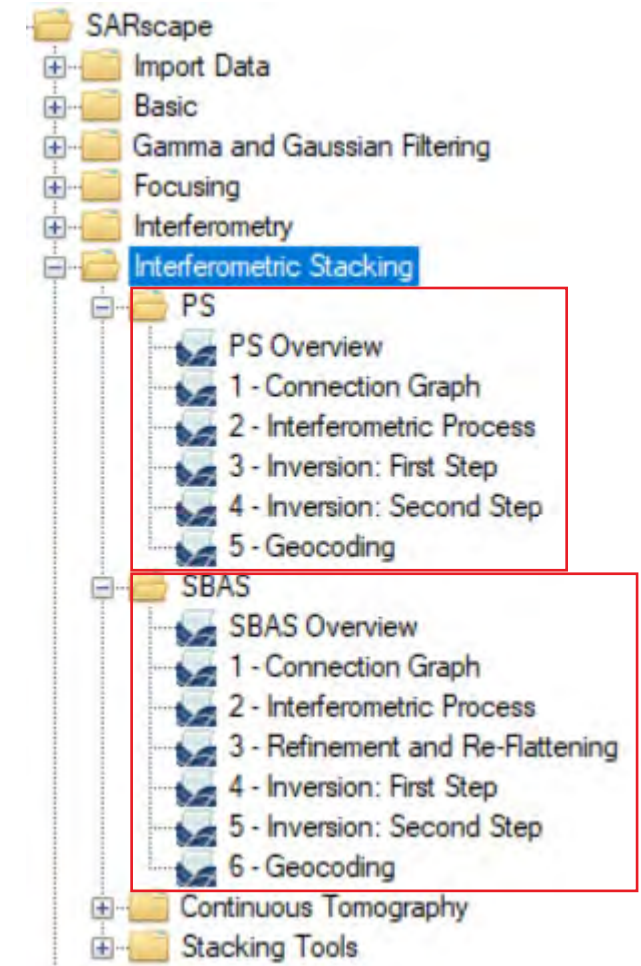


# Multi-temporal Interferometric techniques

$$\phi_{Int} = \phi_{Topography} + \phi_{Change} + \phi_{Movement} + \phi_{Atmosphere}$$

- Persistent Scatterers (PS)
- Small Baseline Subset (SBAS)

PS	SBAS
Independent, uncorrelated motions	At best spatially correlated motions
Pixelwise continuous time series	Possibility of handling time series with temporal holes
Time interval between two acquisitions limited by displacement rate	Time interval between two acquisitions limited by temporal decorrelation
Very accurate on PS	Slightly less accurate
Linear displacements favoured	Larger variety of parametric models possible. Non-parametric modeling possible



# Cadia Mine - Australia



An aerial image showing the collapsed section of the tailings dam.  
*Photo: Supplied*



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## Sentinel-2 Optical image

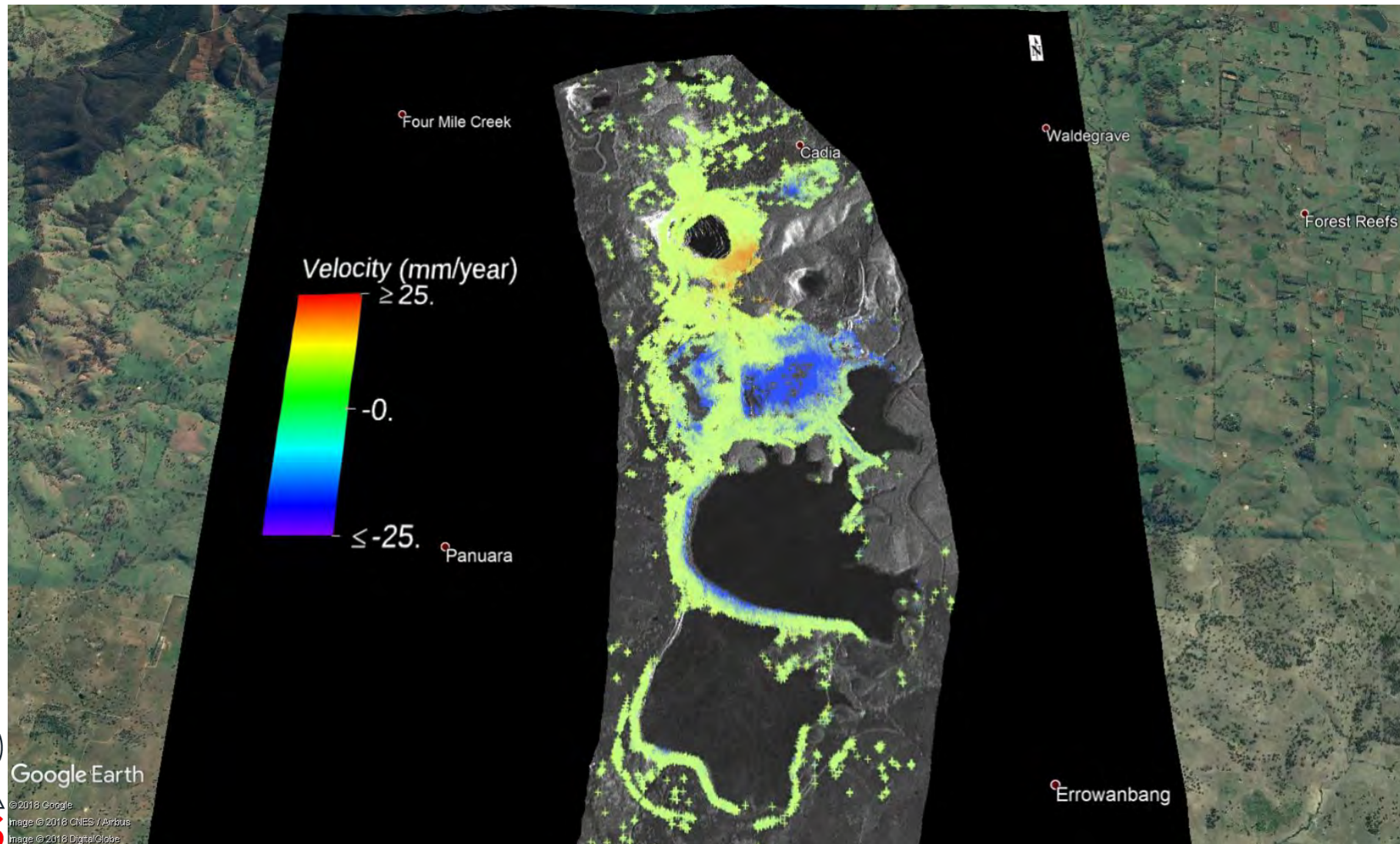


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## Sentinel-1 PS Deformation map [mm/yr]

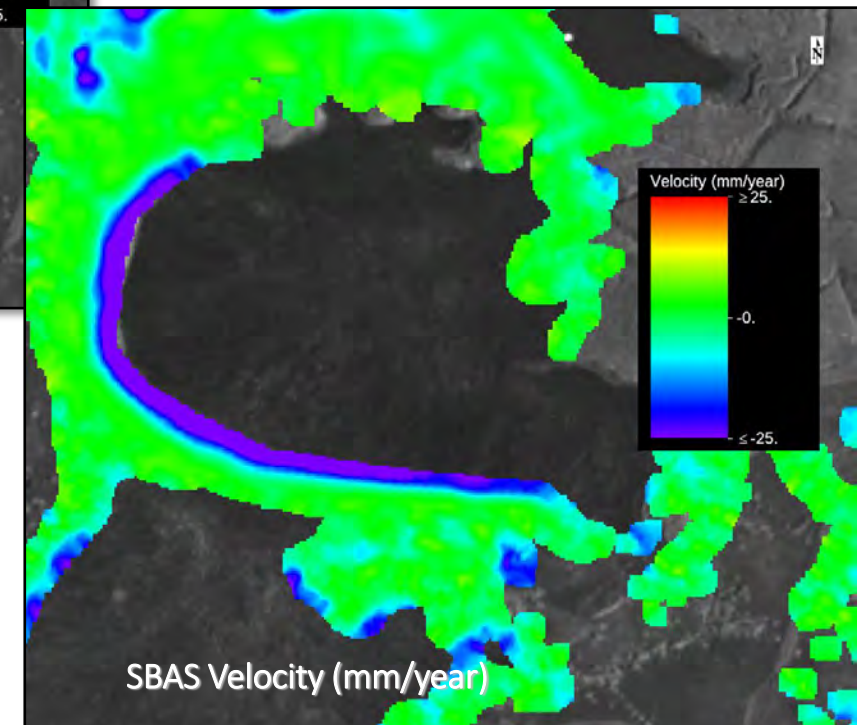
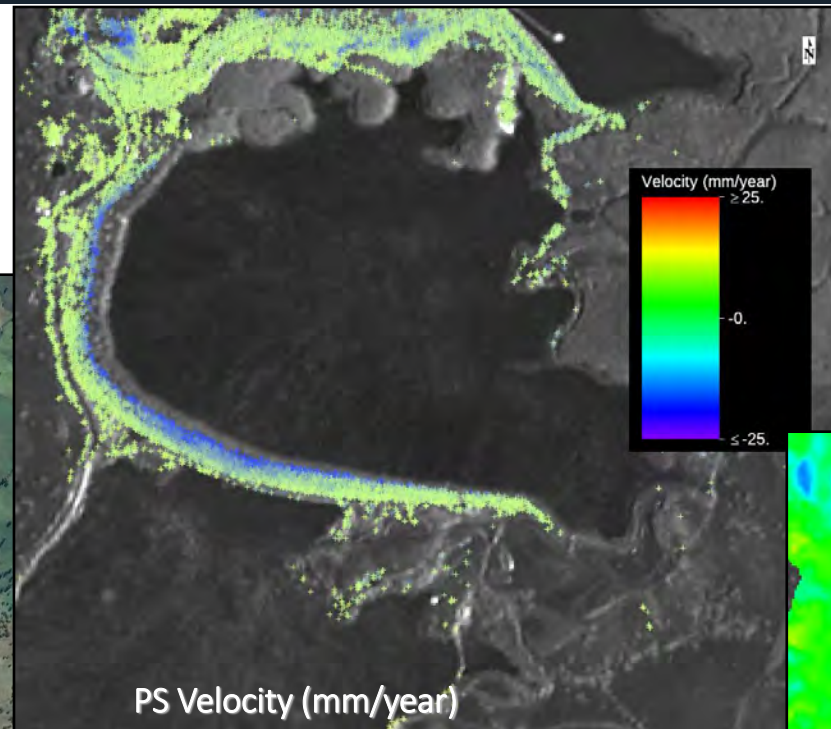




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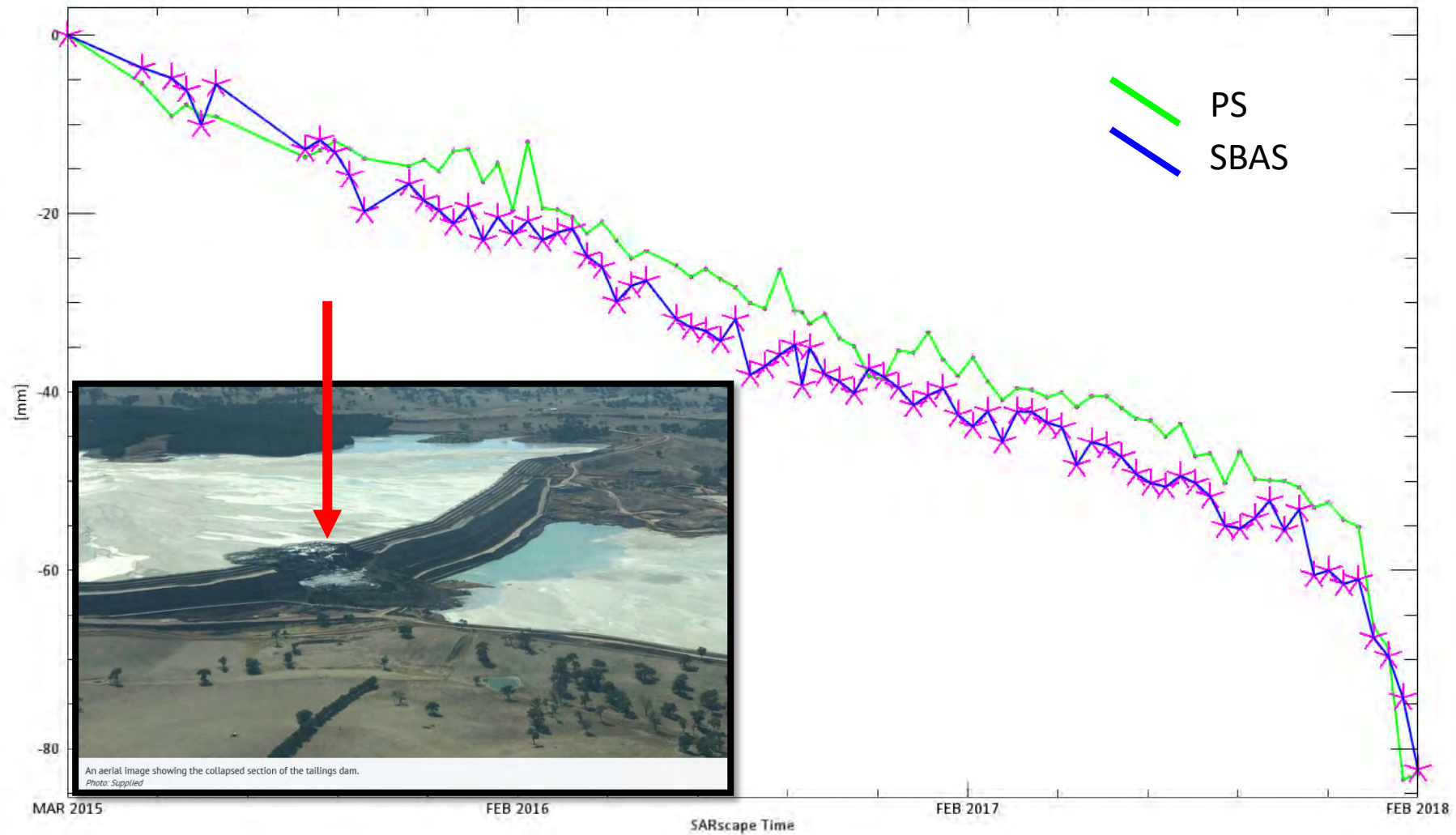
## Sentinel-1 Deformation map [mm/yr] PS vs SBAS

Stacking analysis Results on the tailing dam



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## Time-series of deformation [mm] PS vs SBAS

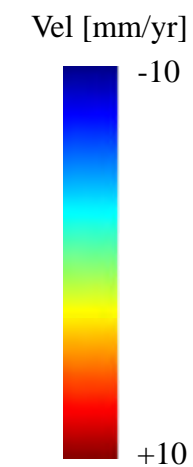




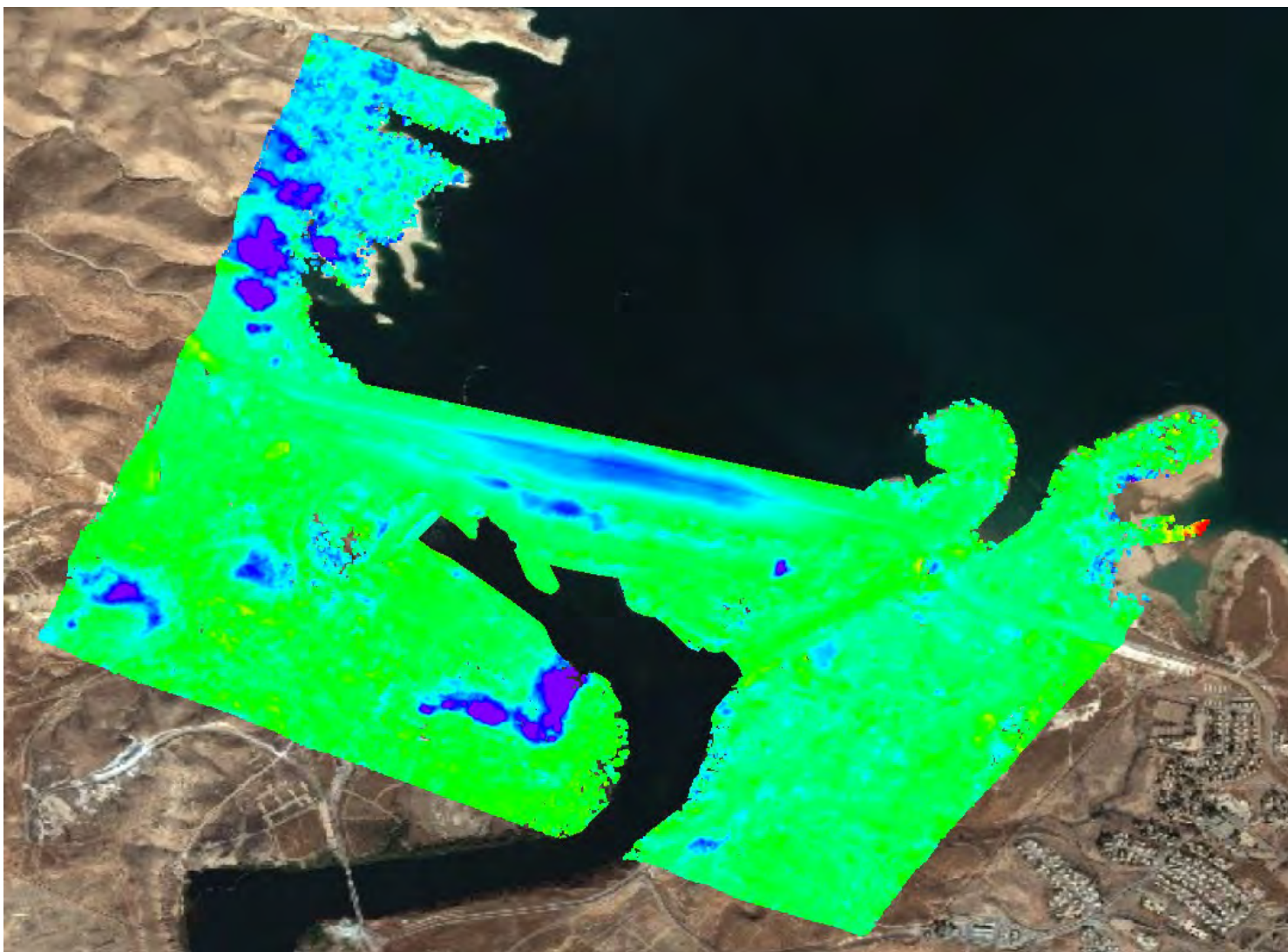
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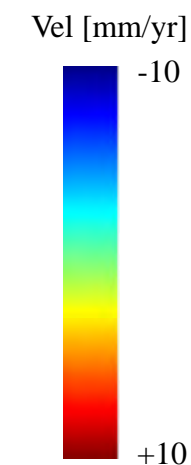
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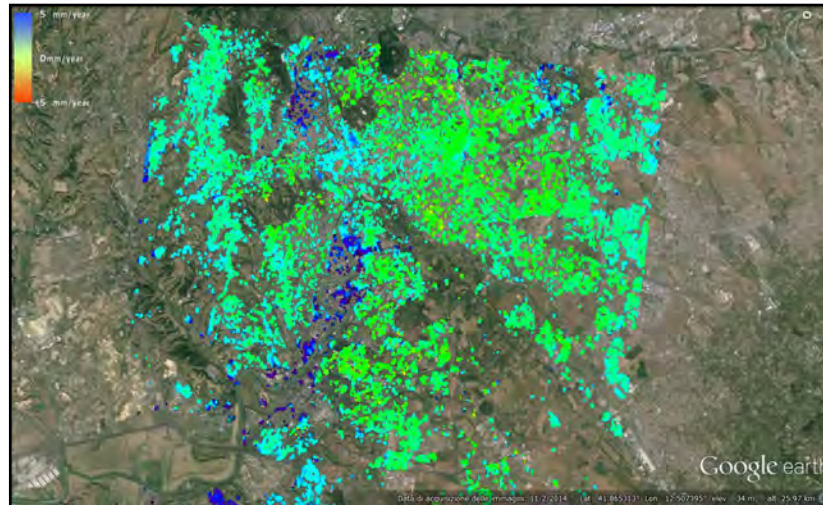
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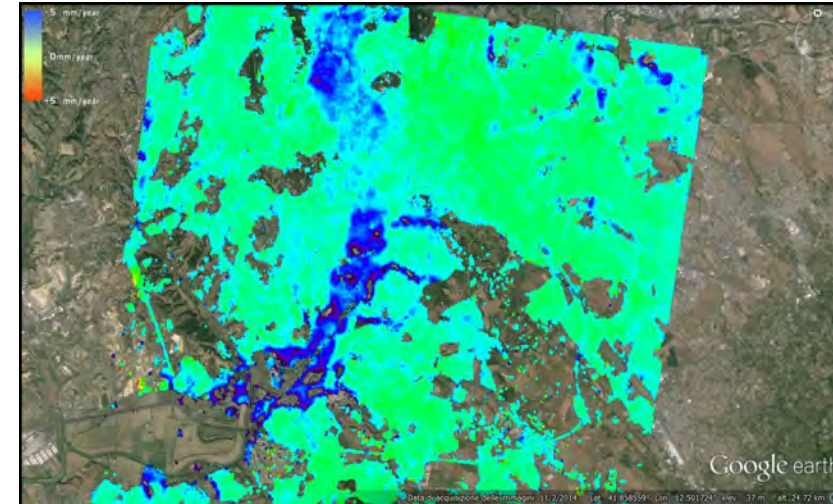


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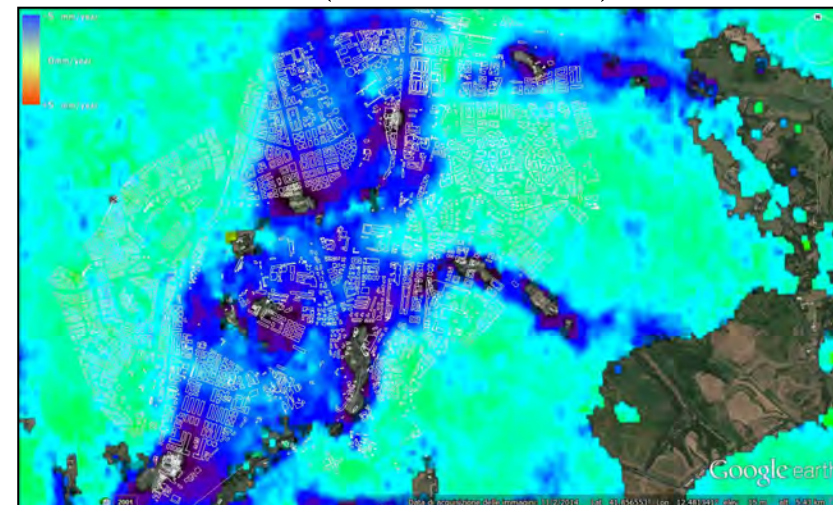
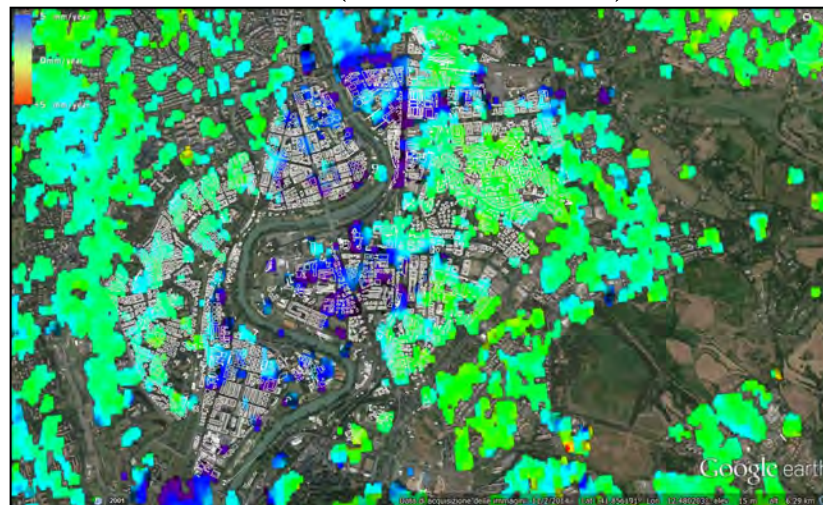
# Subsidence in Rome, ERS and ENVISAT



ERS-1/2 (1992 – 2000)

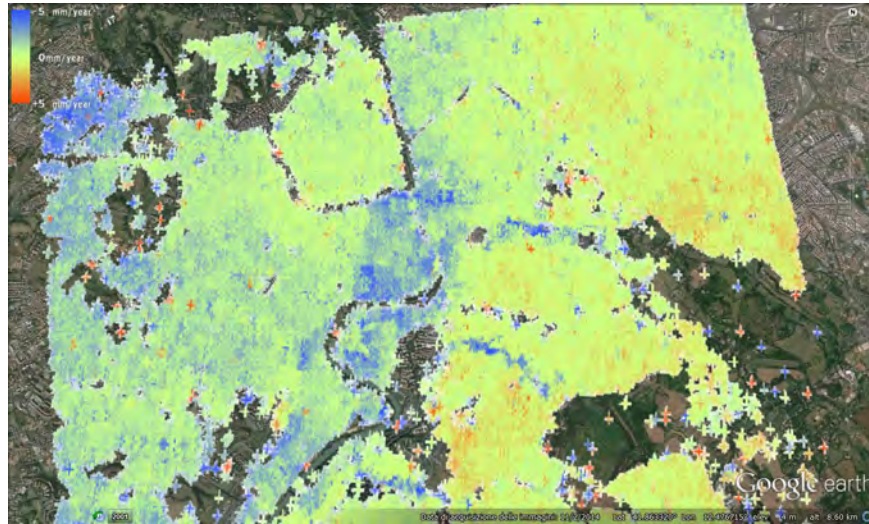


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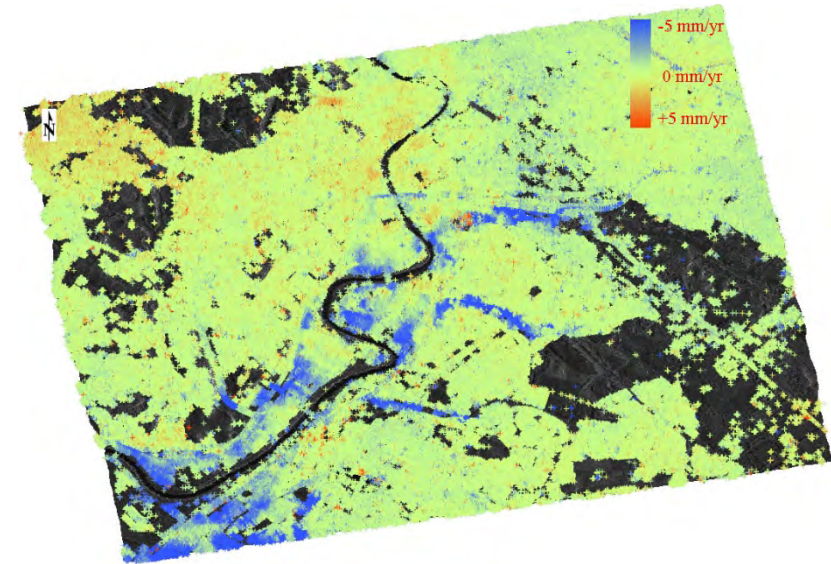




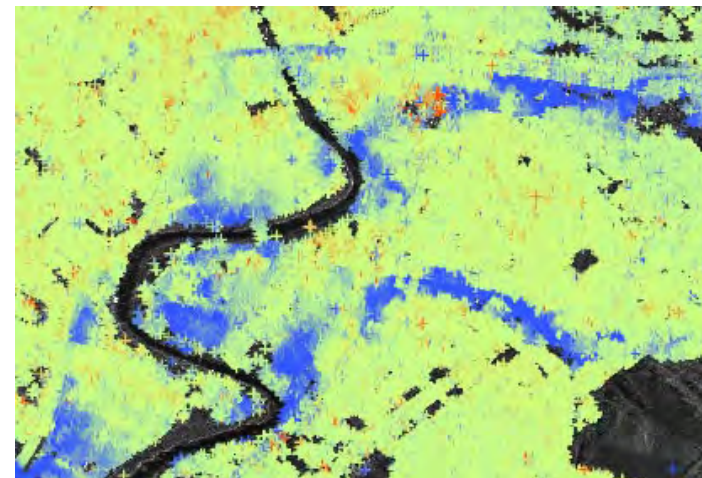
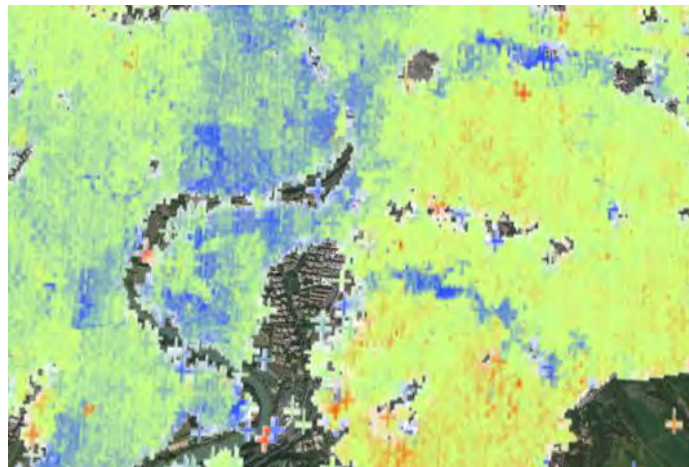
# Subsidence in Rome, CosmoSkyMed and TerraSAR-X



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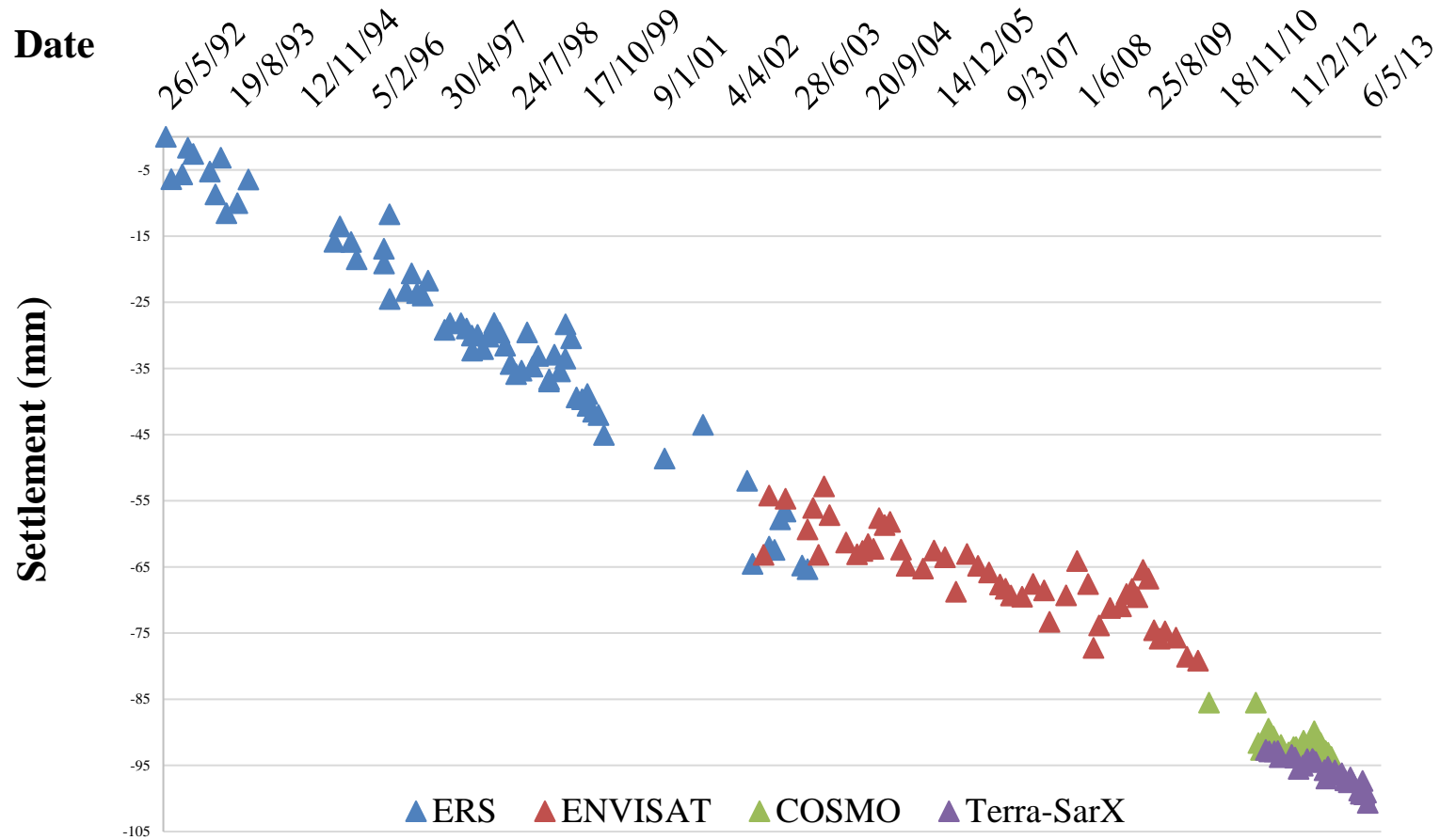
TerraSAR-X (2011 – 2013)



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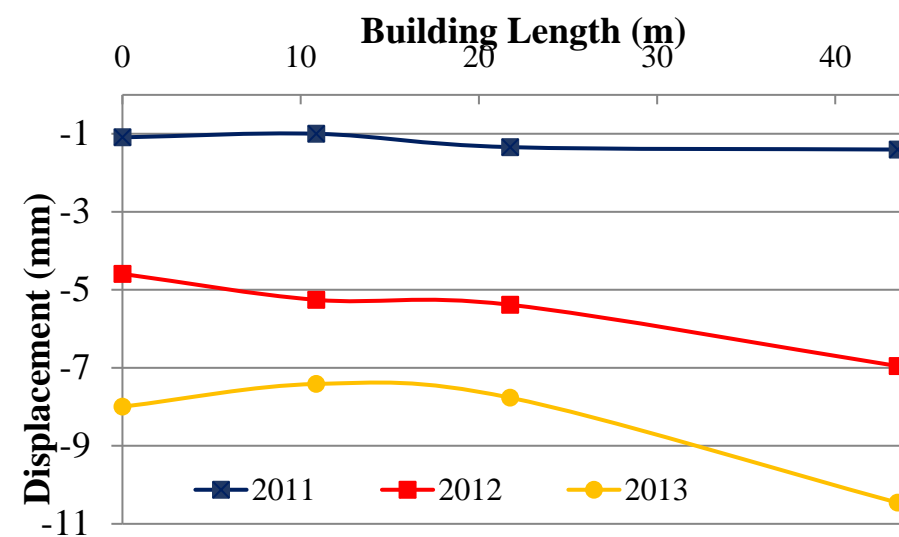
## Time-series of deformation [mm]

Time-series of displacements in the study area





# Subsidence in Rome



# Persistent Scatterers

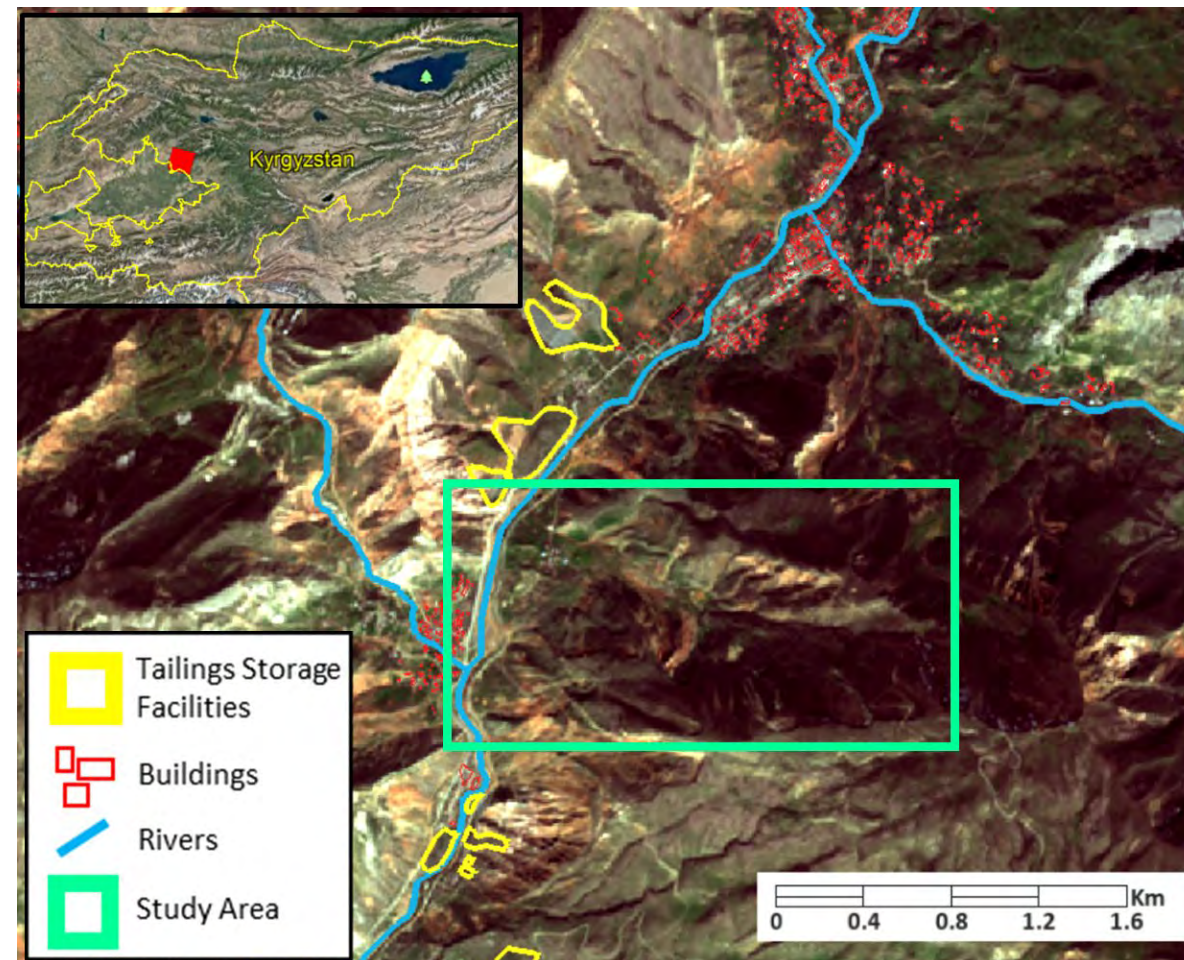
## Astana Kazakhstan, Cosmo-SkyMed data





And when should you use  
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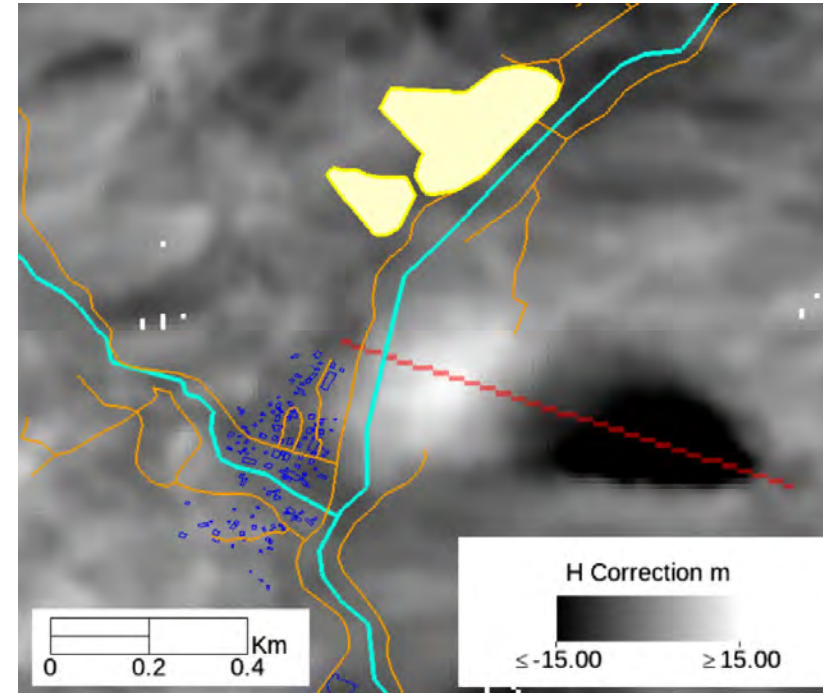
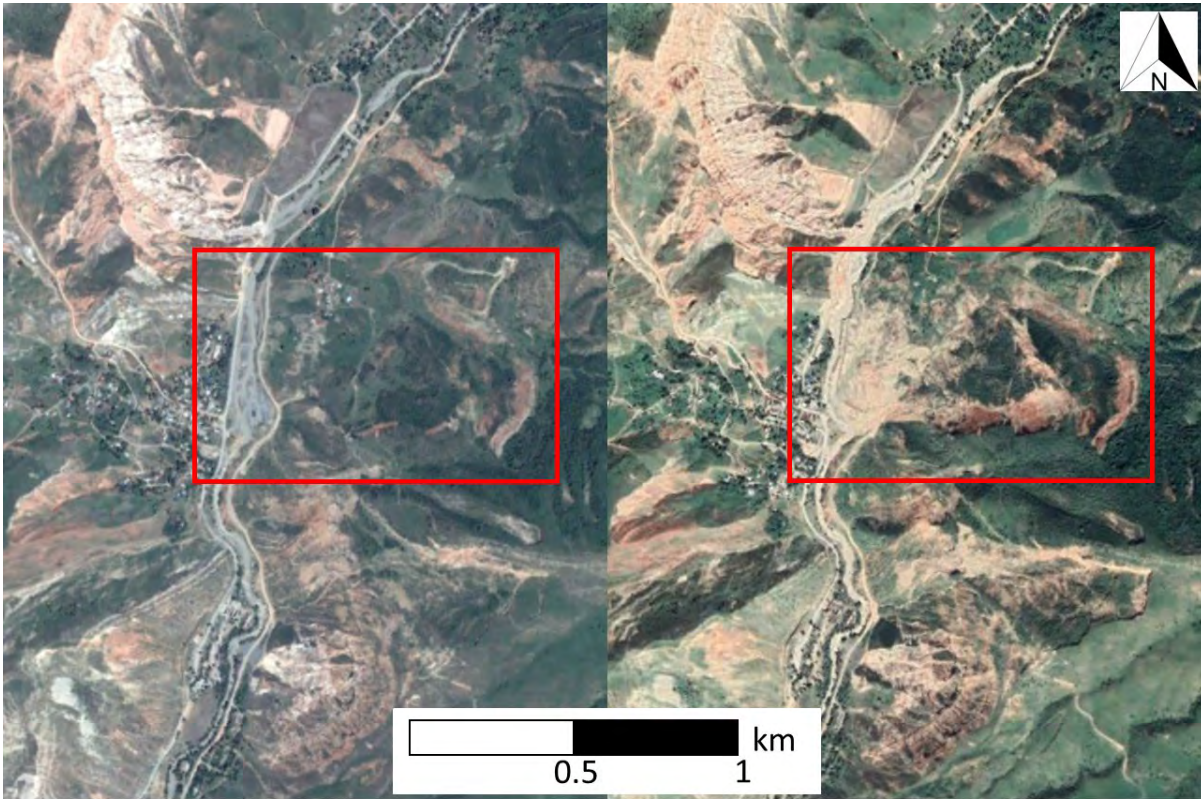
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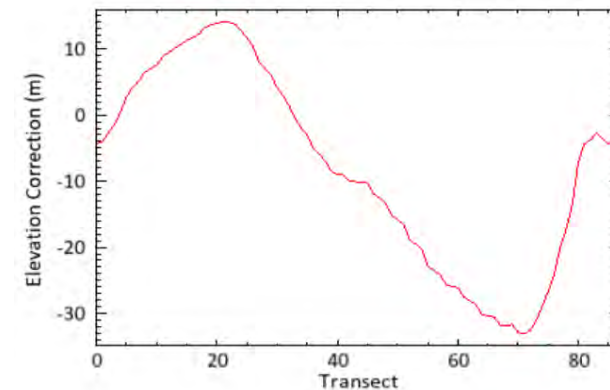


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## Topographic correction - SBAS



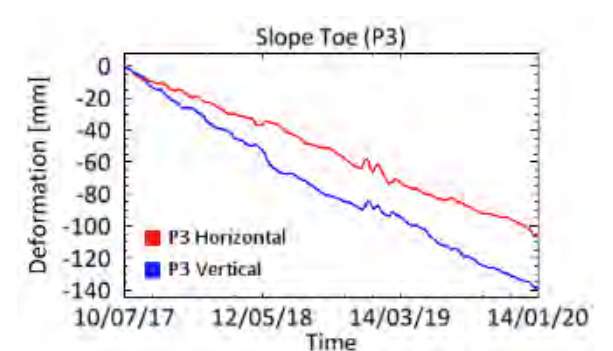
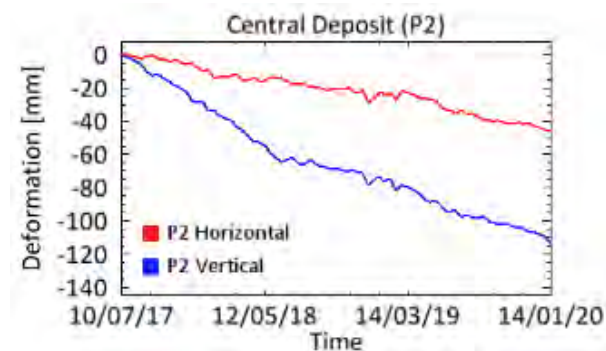
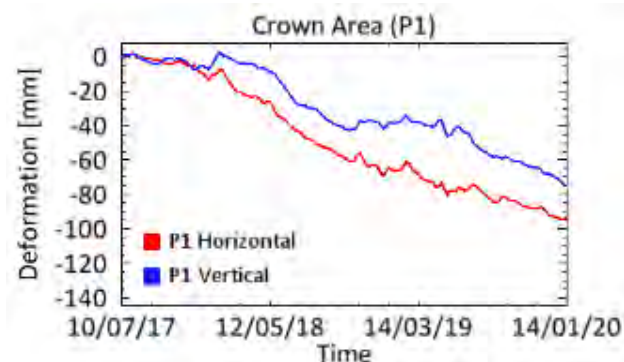
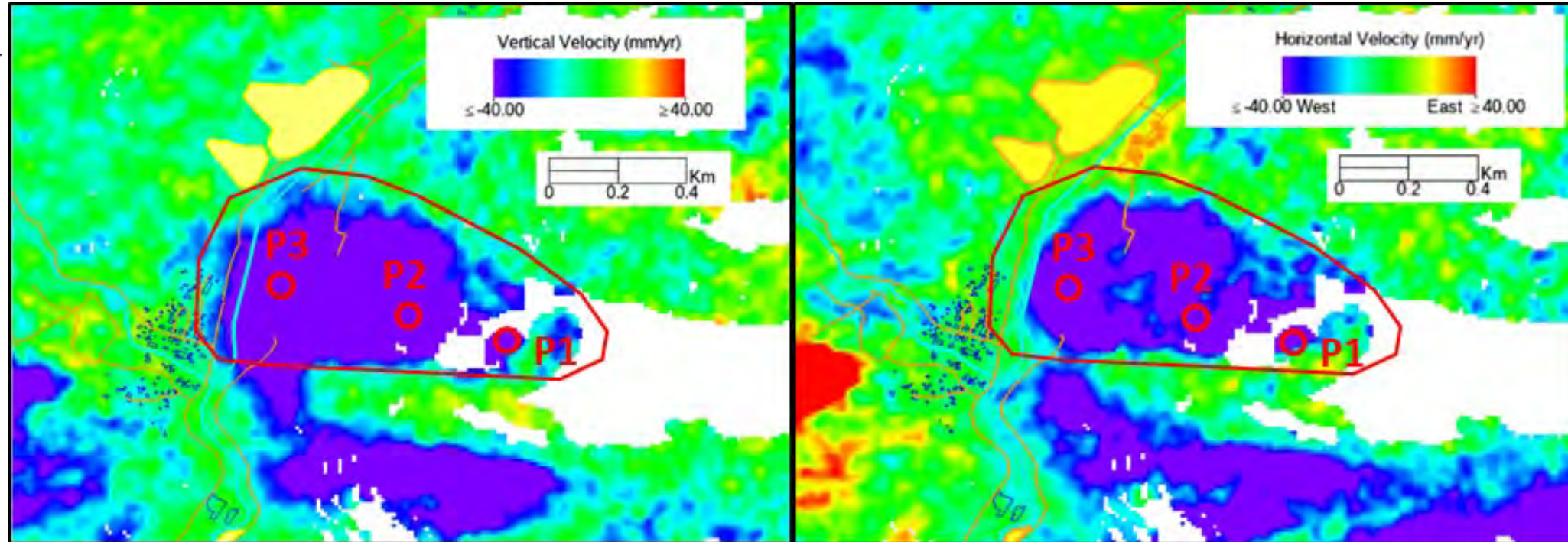
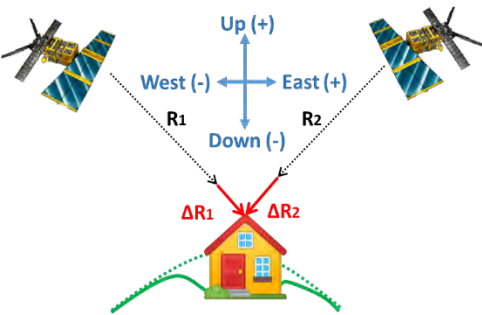
- Tailings Storage Facilities
- Buildings
- Roads
- Rivers
- Cross section





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## Vertical and Horizontal deformation maps [mm/yr]



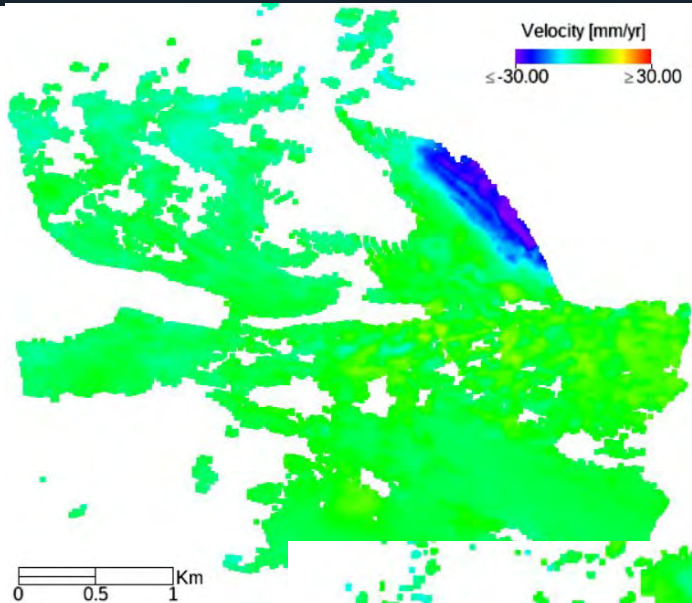


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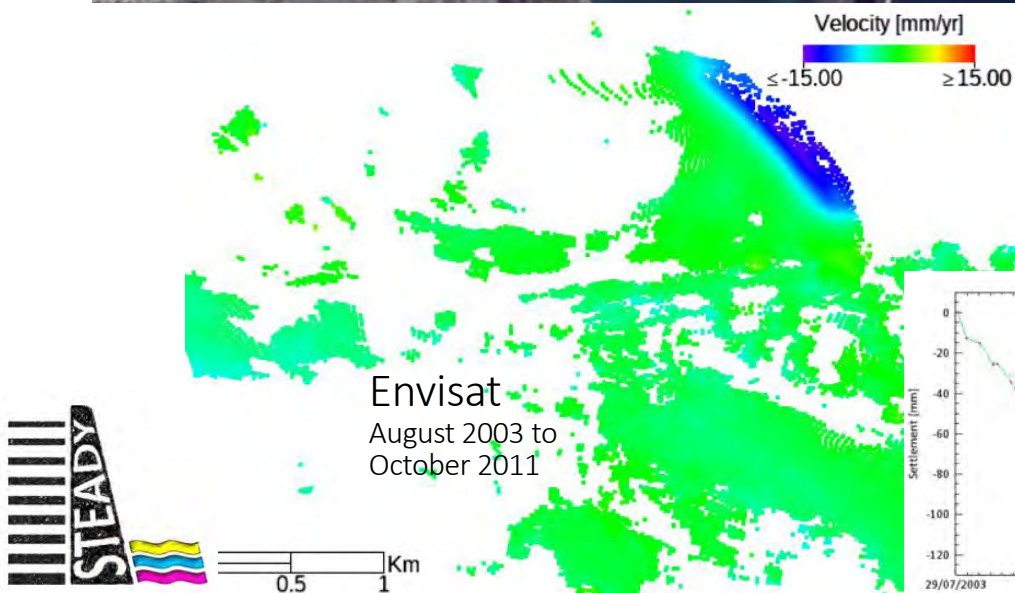
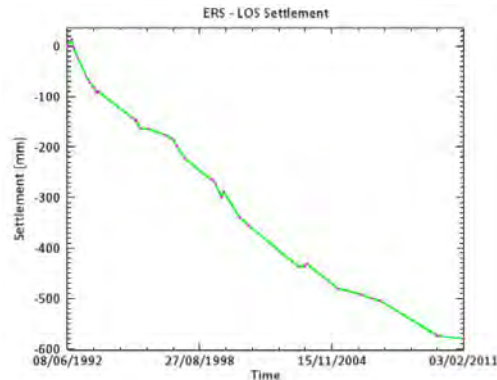
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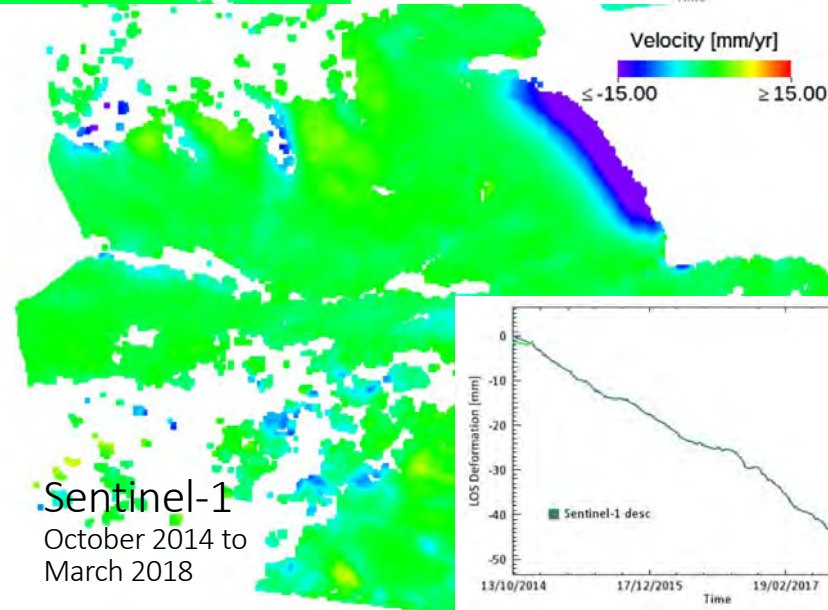
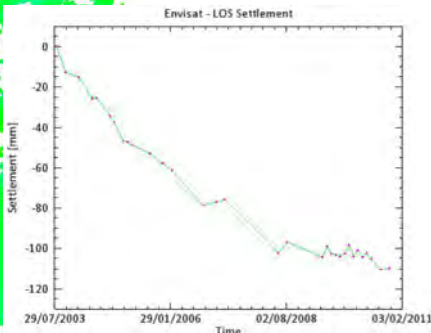
## Average deformation maps [mm/yr]



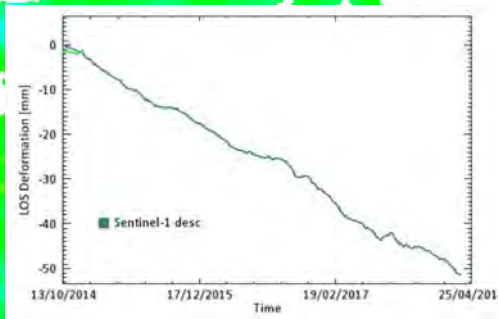
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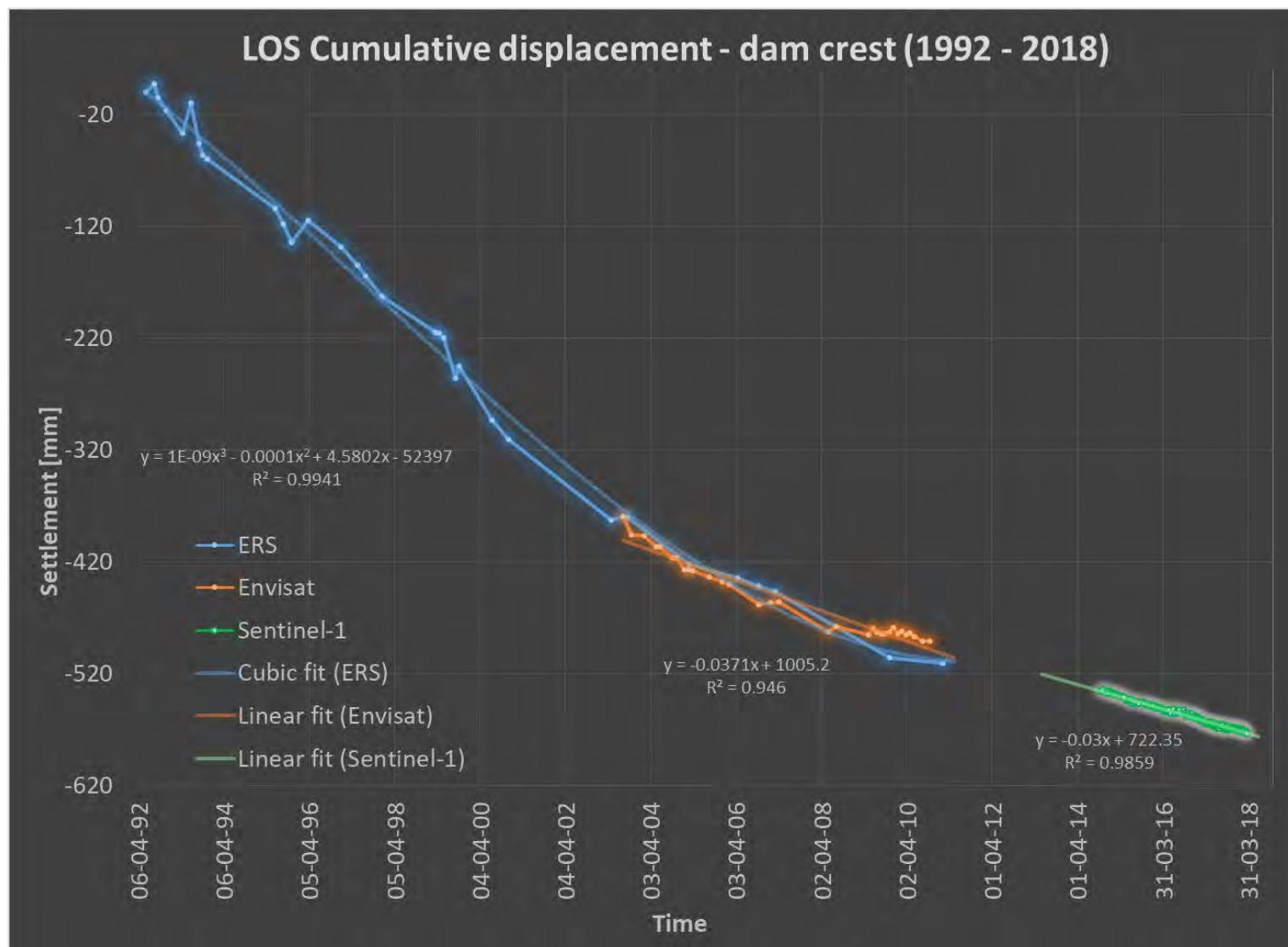
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# Ataturk Dam, Turkey

## Time-series of Deformations



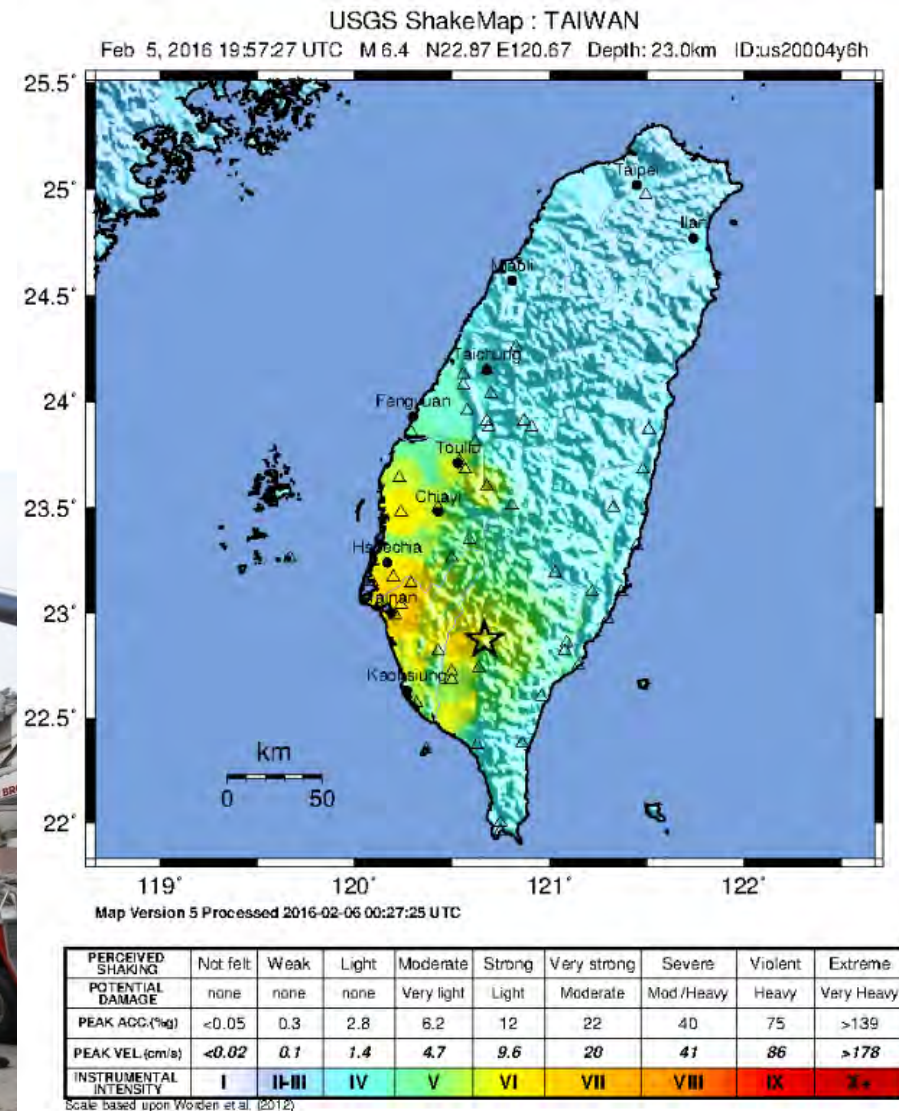
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The February 2016 Mw 6.4 Taiwan Earthquake



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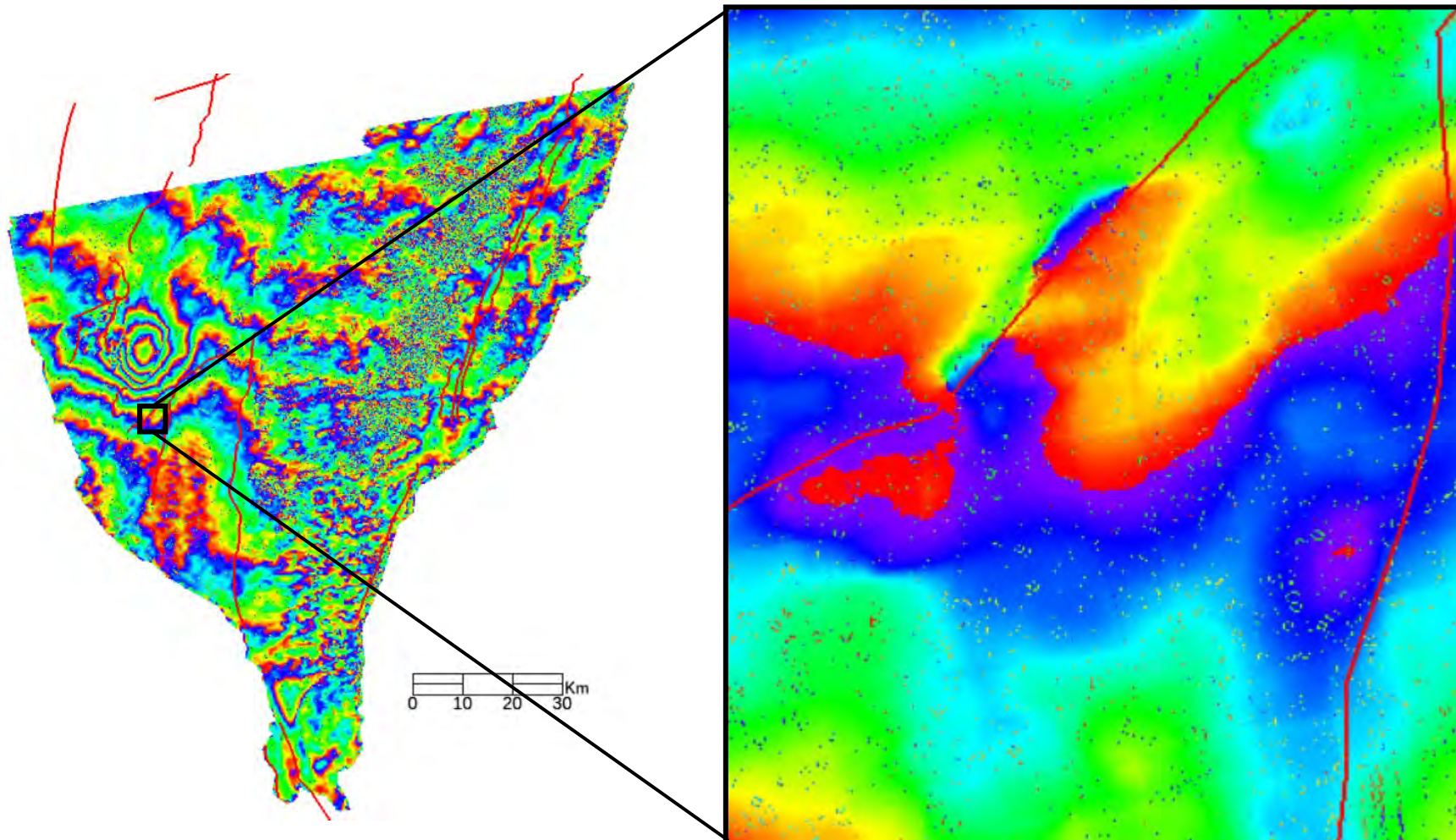
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Fatalities: 117





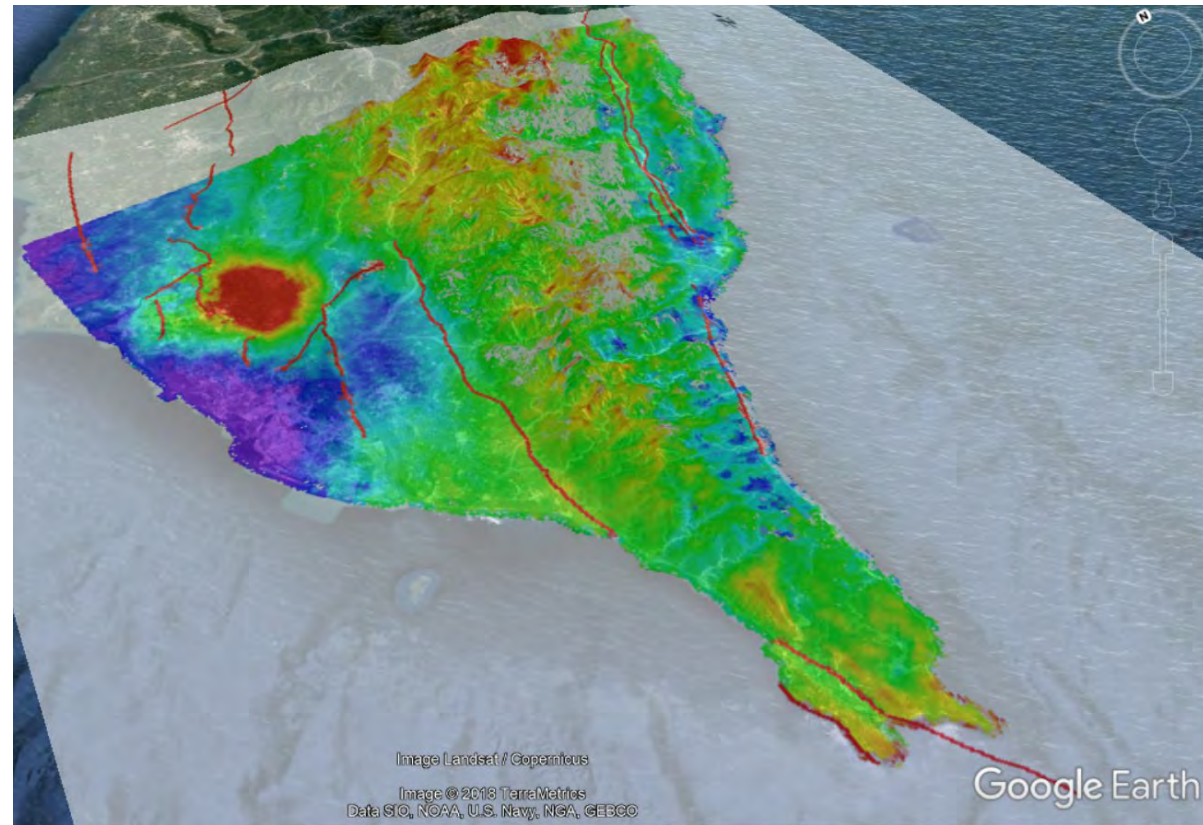
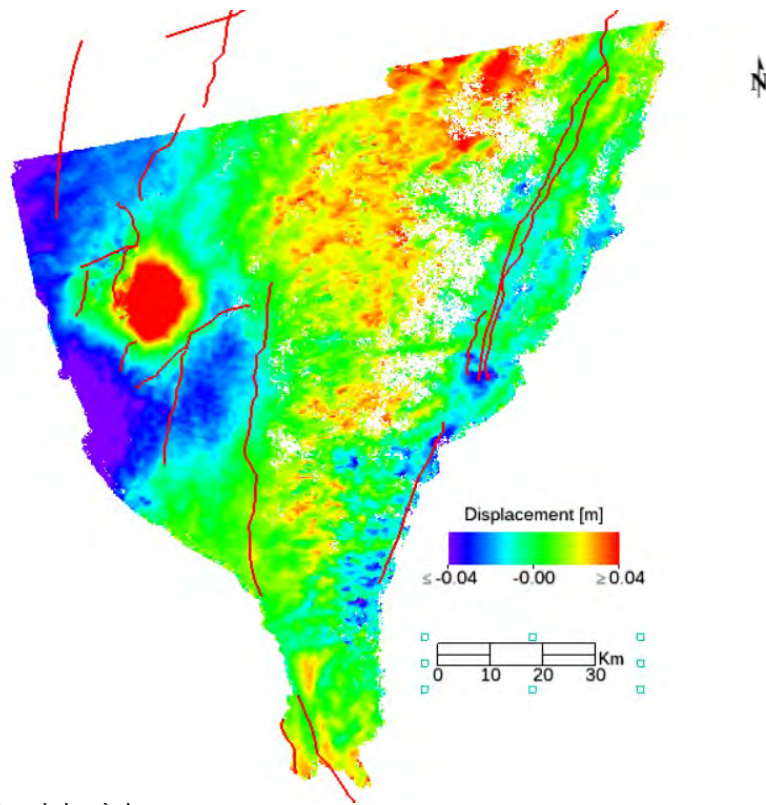
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## Co-seismic fringes (2016/02/02 – 2016/02/14)

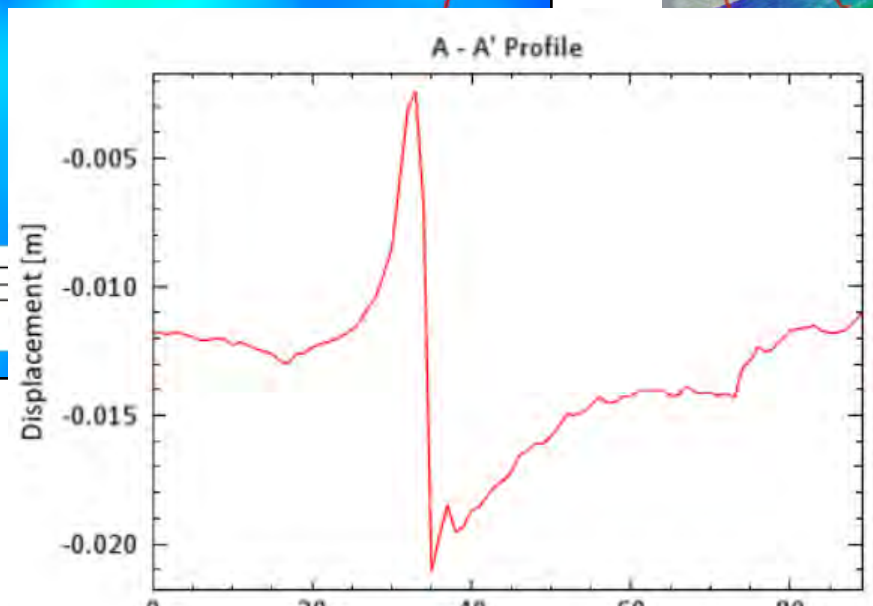
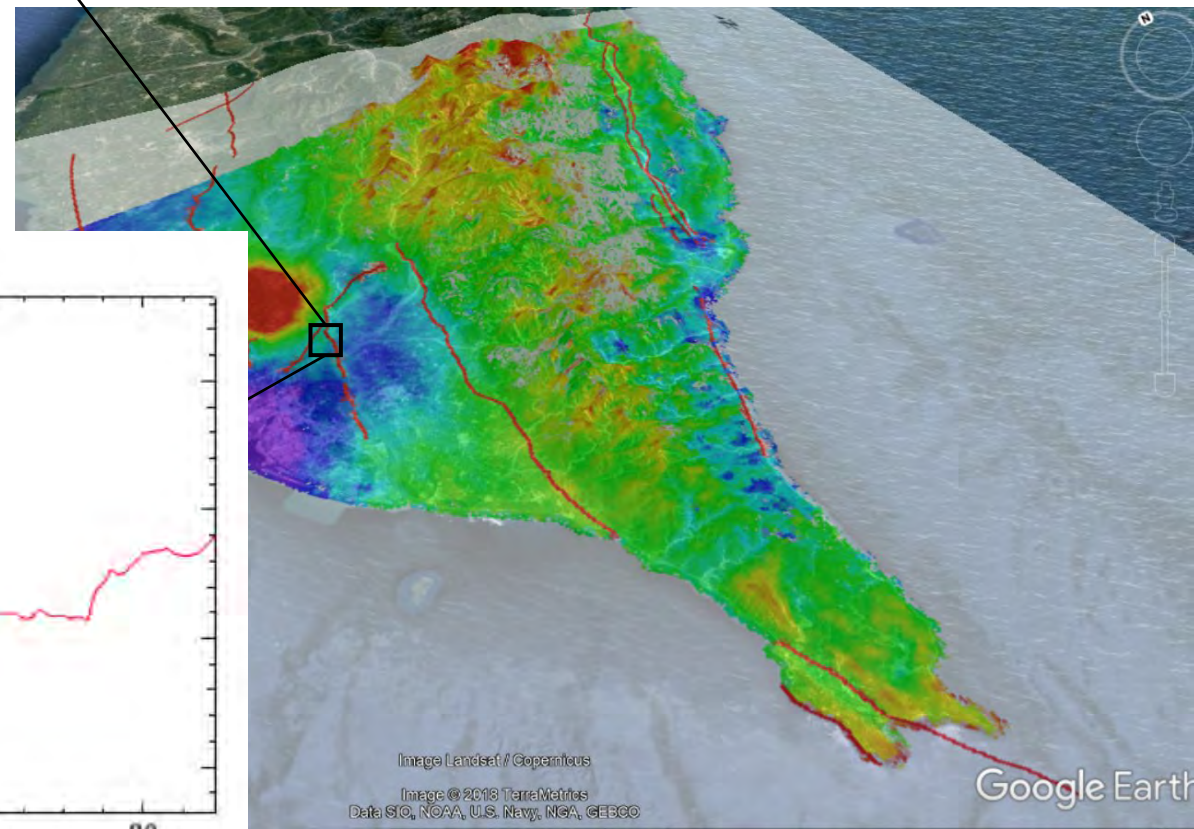
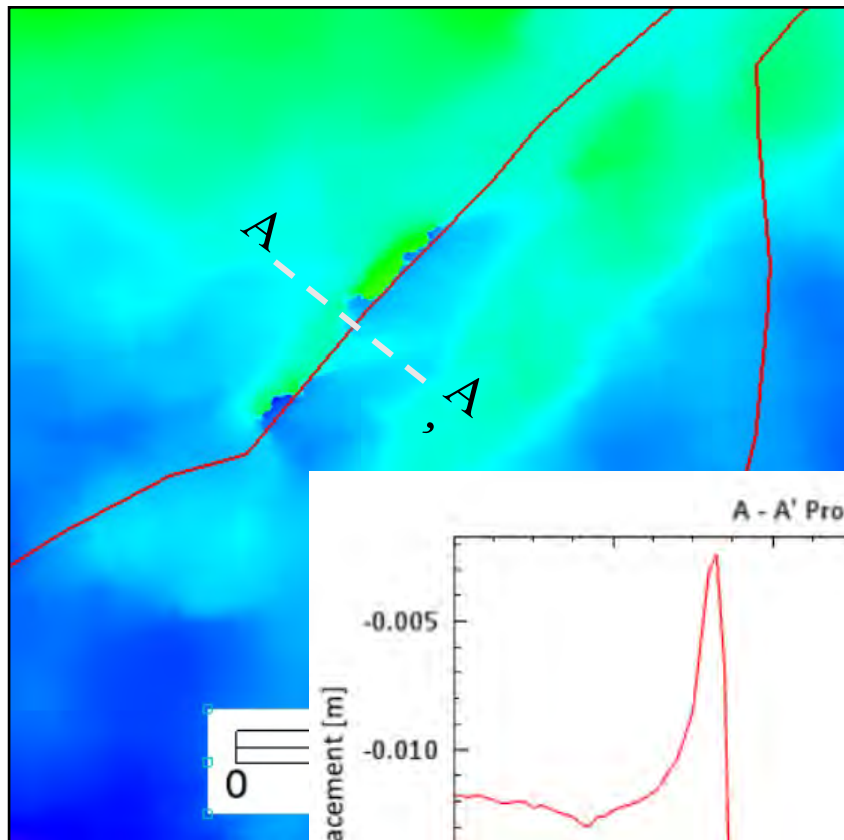




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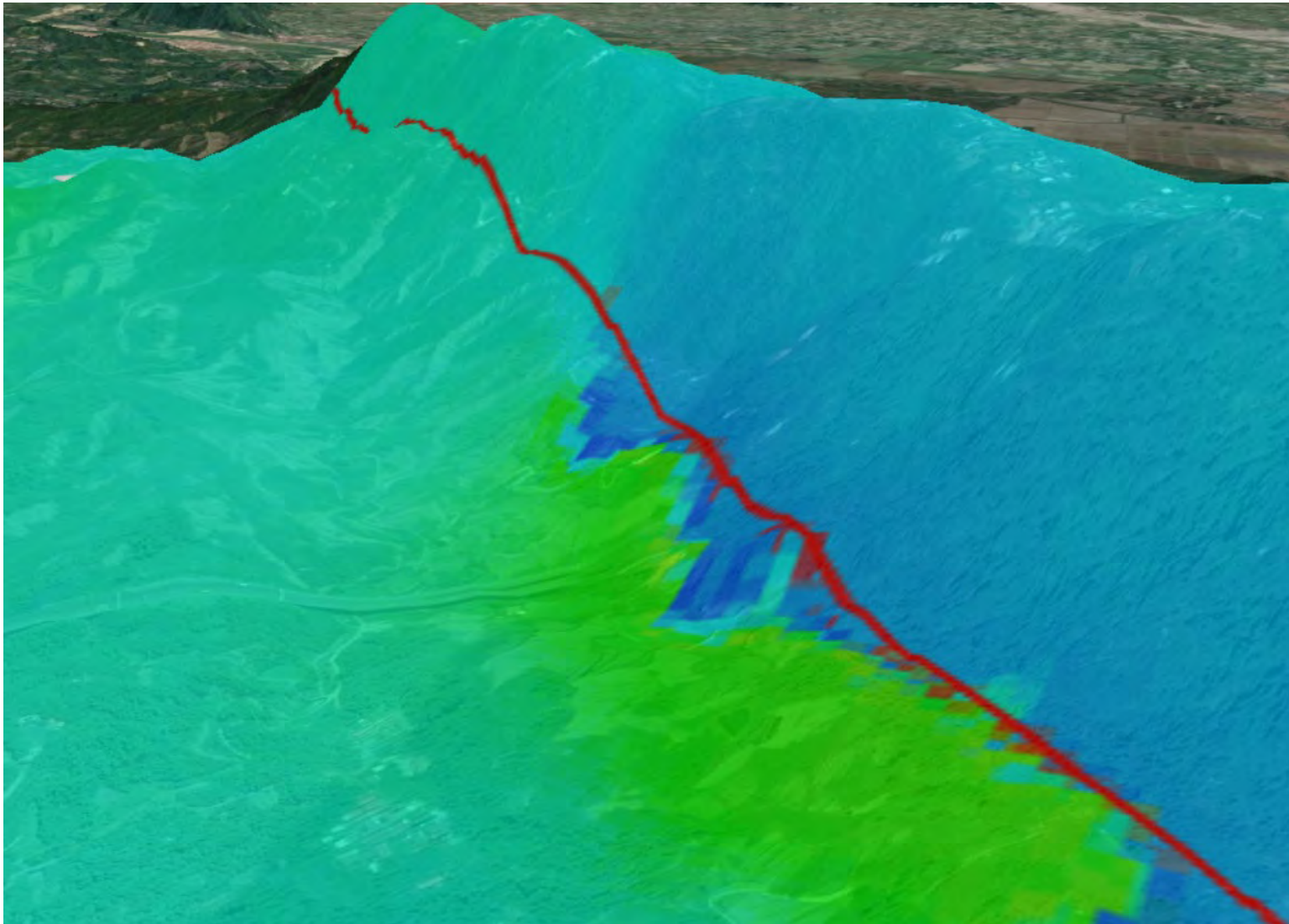


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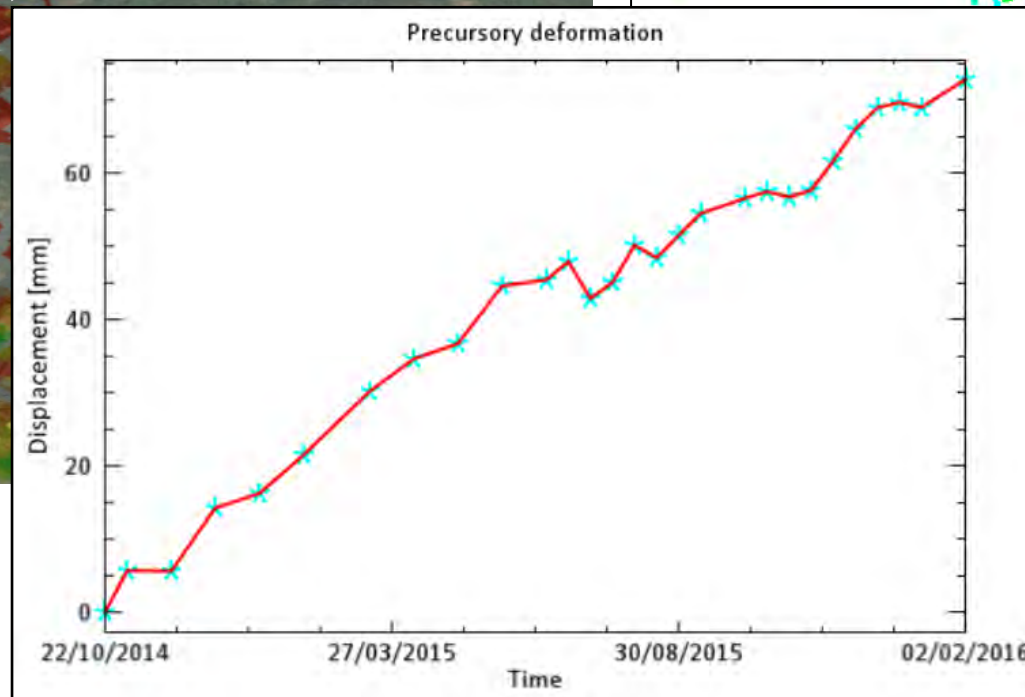
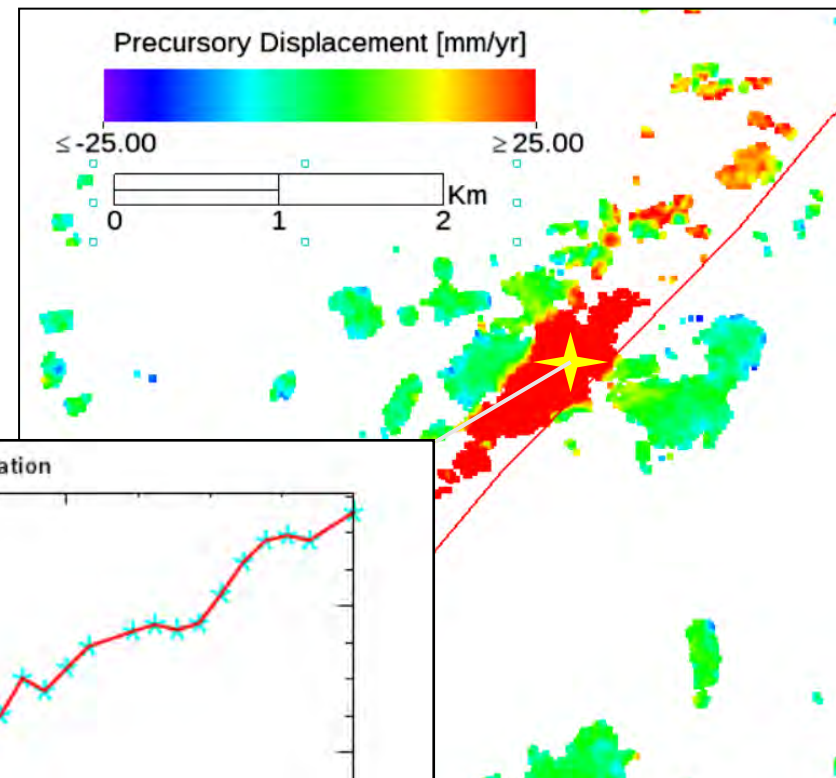
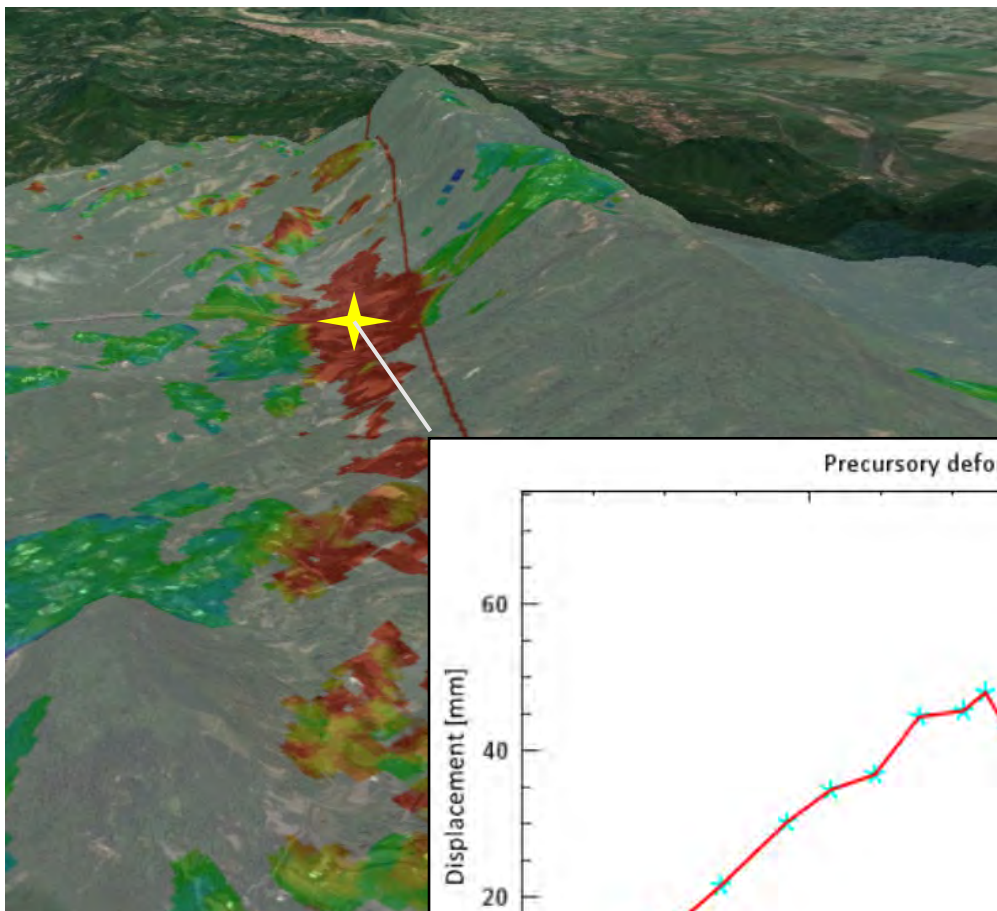


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## Precursory displacement (2014/10/22 – 2016/02/02)





# Some more applications

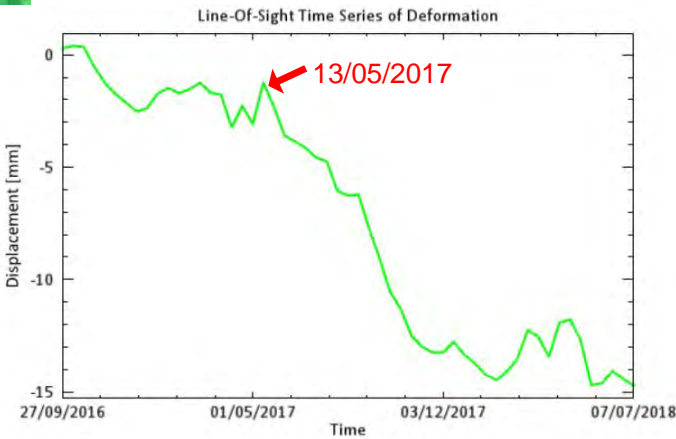
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# Surface Motion Monitoring Using SAR Interferometric Techniques

- When you should use DInSAR, PS and SBAS
- Sensitivity to few millimeter deformations
- Capability of covering wide surfaces
- Spatial resolution related to the SAR sensor, up to 0.5 -1 m
- Temporal resolution of few days
- Increasing availability of SAR data
- Growing flexibility of the processing tools
- Monitoring of infrastructures, mines, natural hazards





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