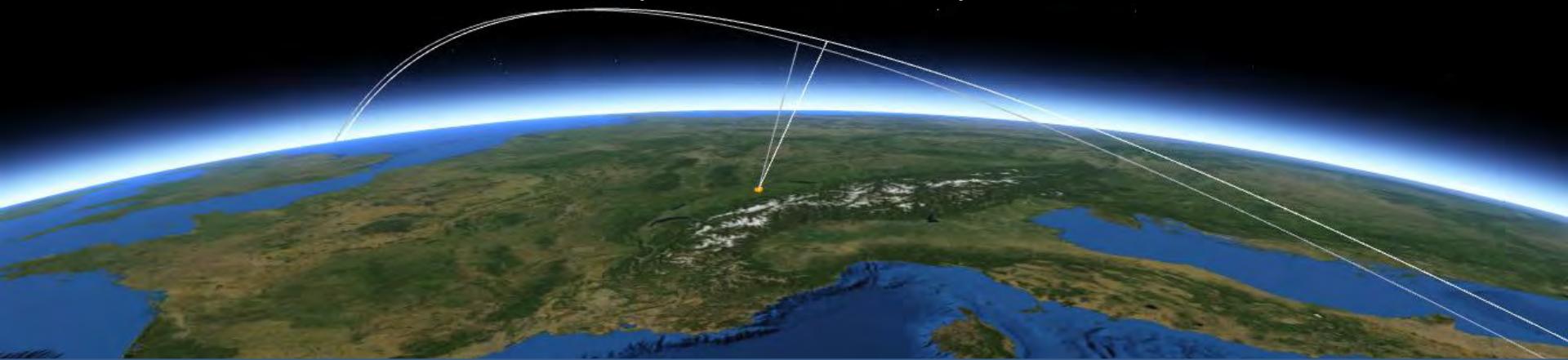


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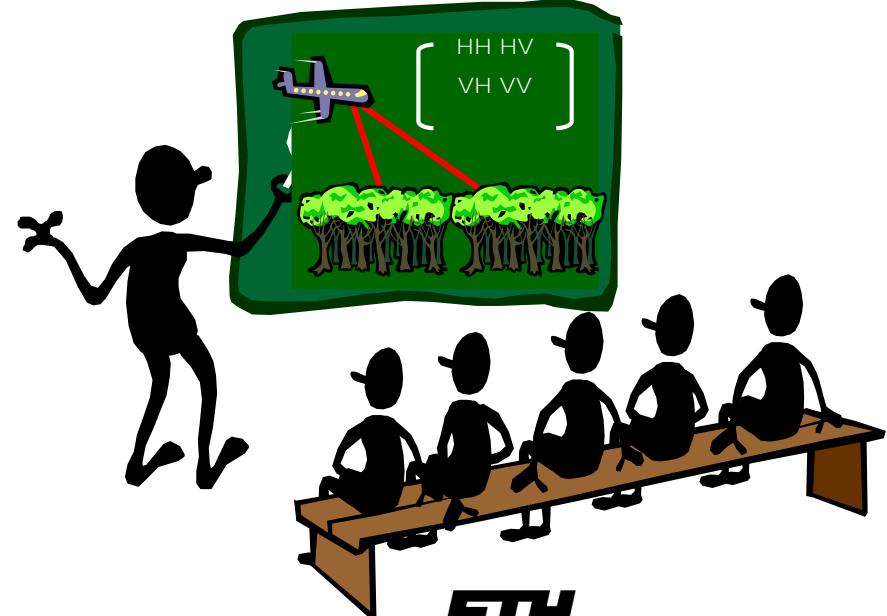
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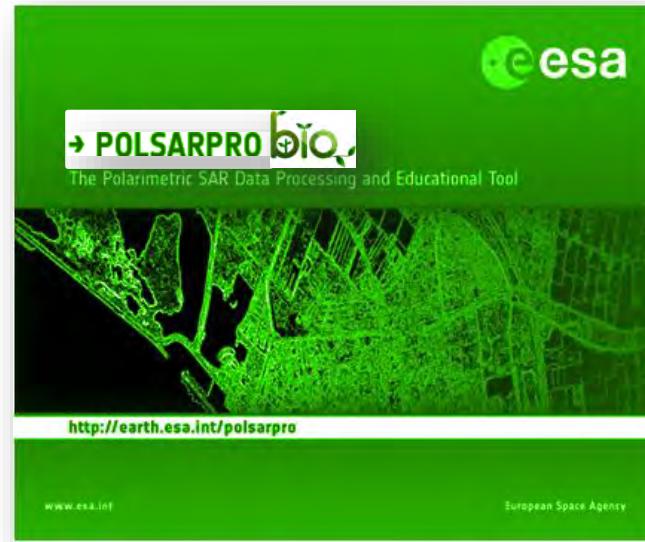
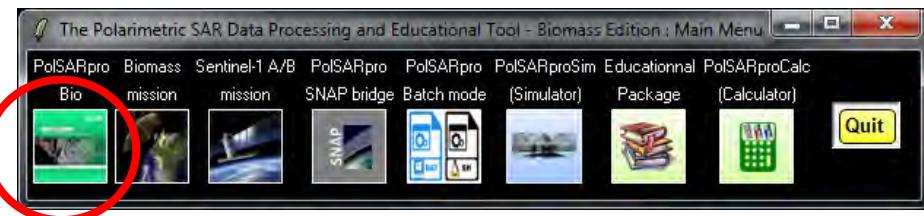


Outline – Polarimetric SAR Interferometry

- ↗ Generation of an Interferometric and Polarimetric simulated data set
 - ↗ Deciduous Forest @ PolSAR Pro SIM
- ↗ Generation of the Complex Coherence
 - ↗ Display and interpretation
- ↗ Flat Earth removal & renew generation of complex coherence
 - ↗ Display and interpretation
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 - ↗ Linear polarisation coherences
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 - ↗ Coherence phase
 - ↗ Analysis and interpretation
 - ↗ Statistical Analysis



PolSARpro-Biomass Edition V6 (January 2019)



PolSARpro - Bio SOFTWARE

WEB-LINK: <http://earth.esa.int/polsarpro/>



The screenshot shows the PolSARpro-bio software interface with a blue arrow pointing from the 'Education' menu option in the top navigation bar to a list of training course links. A second blue arrow points from the 'PolSAR (Training Course)' link in the bottom section to the 'PolSAR (Training Course)' link in the bottom-most box.

Education Links:

- [PolSARap Tutorial \(C. Lopez - E. Pottier\)](#)
- [PolSARap Showcases](#)
- [Lectures Notes](#)

Recent Advances (W.M. Boerner) Links:

- [Basic Concepts \(W.M. Boerner\)](#)
- [Advanced Concepts \(E. Pottier, J.S. Lee, L. Ferro-Famil\)](#)
- [Polarimetric SAR Interferometry \(S.R. Cloude, K. Papathanassiou\)](#)
- [Surface Parameter Retrieval \(I. Hajnsek, K. Papathanassiou\)](#)

Training Courses:

- [Single vs multi polarization interferometry](#)
- [Pol-InSAR \(Training Course\)](#) (This link is circled in blue)
- [Polarization Coherence Tomography \(Training Course\)](#)

- PolSARpro - Calculator
- PolSARpro - Display
- PolSARpro - SIM
- PolSARpro - Viewer
- SATIM Map Algebra
- SNAP - S1 TBX
- SRTM
- ASTER
- GIMP
- GOOGLE EARTH
- [Close All Widgets](#)

- Ground
- Ground + small vegetation
- Forest

PolSARpro Simulator (c) Dr Mark L. Williams

The screenshot shows the PolSARpro Simulator interface with various configuration parameters:

- Output Master Directory:** C:/DEV_PoSARpro_v3.0_track0
- Output Slave Directory:** C:/DEV_PoSARpro_v3.0_track1
- Geometric Configuration:**
 - Platform Altitude (m): 3000
 - Horizontal Baseline (m): 10.0
 - Incidence Angle (deg): 45
 - Vertical Baseline (m): 1.0
- System Configuration:**
 - Centre Frequency (GHz): 1.30
 - Azimuth Resolution (m): 1.5
 - Slant Range Resolution (m): 1.06066
- Ground Surface Configuration:**
 - Surface Properties: (Smoothest = 0 Roughest = 10) 0
 - Ground Moisture Content: (Driest = 0 Wettest = 10) 1
 - Azimuth Ground Slope (%): 2.0
 - Range Ground Slope (%): 1.0
- Forest Configuration:**
 - Tree Species: Hedge (0), Pine (1, 2, 3), Deciduous (4) 4
 - Tree Height (m): 18.0
 - Forest Stand Density (stems / Ha): 300
 - Forest Stand Circular Area (Ha): 0.282745
- Run Options:** Random Number Generator (35961), Save Config, Run, Help, Exit.
- Configuration File:** C:/DEV_PoSARpro_v3.0_track0/pspsim_config



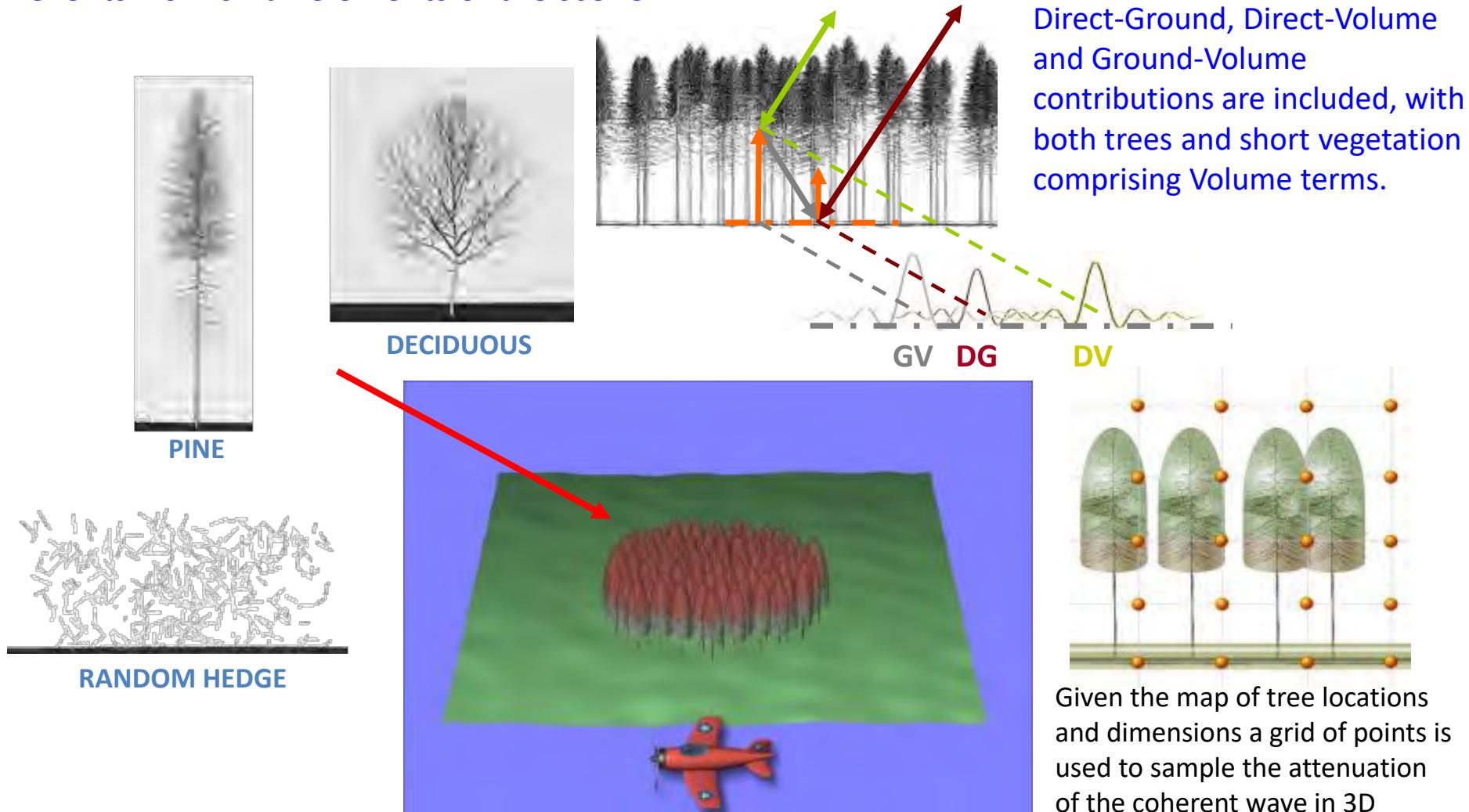
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PolSARproSim
rapid, coherent, fully
polarimetric and
interferometric SAR
simulation of forest.

Polsarpro – SIM

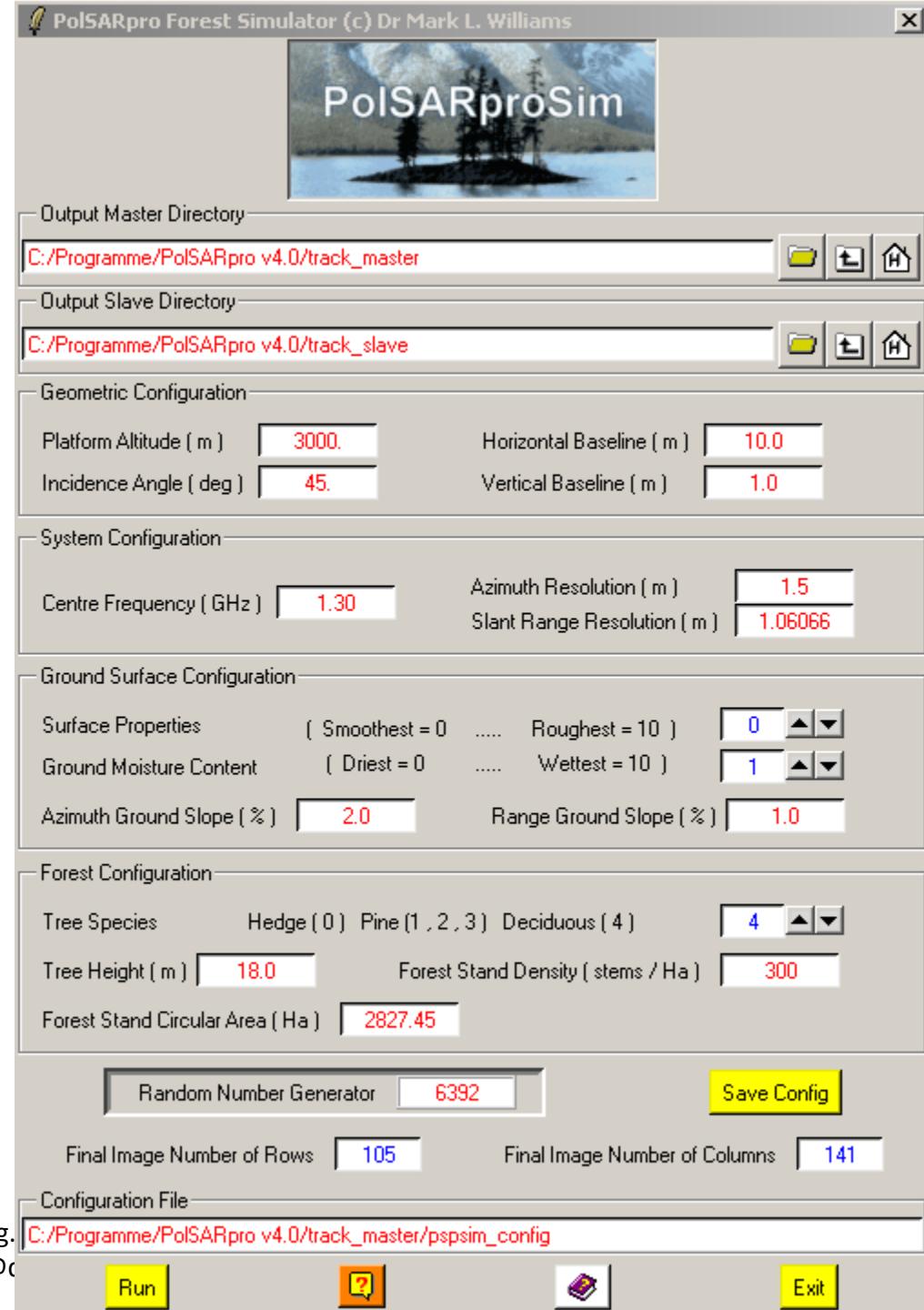
The SAR image is evaluated as a coherent sum of scattering events from small elements of the scene



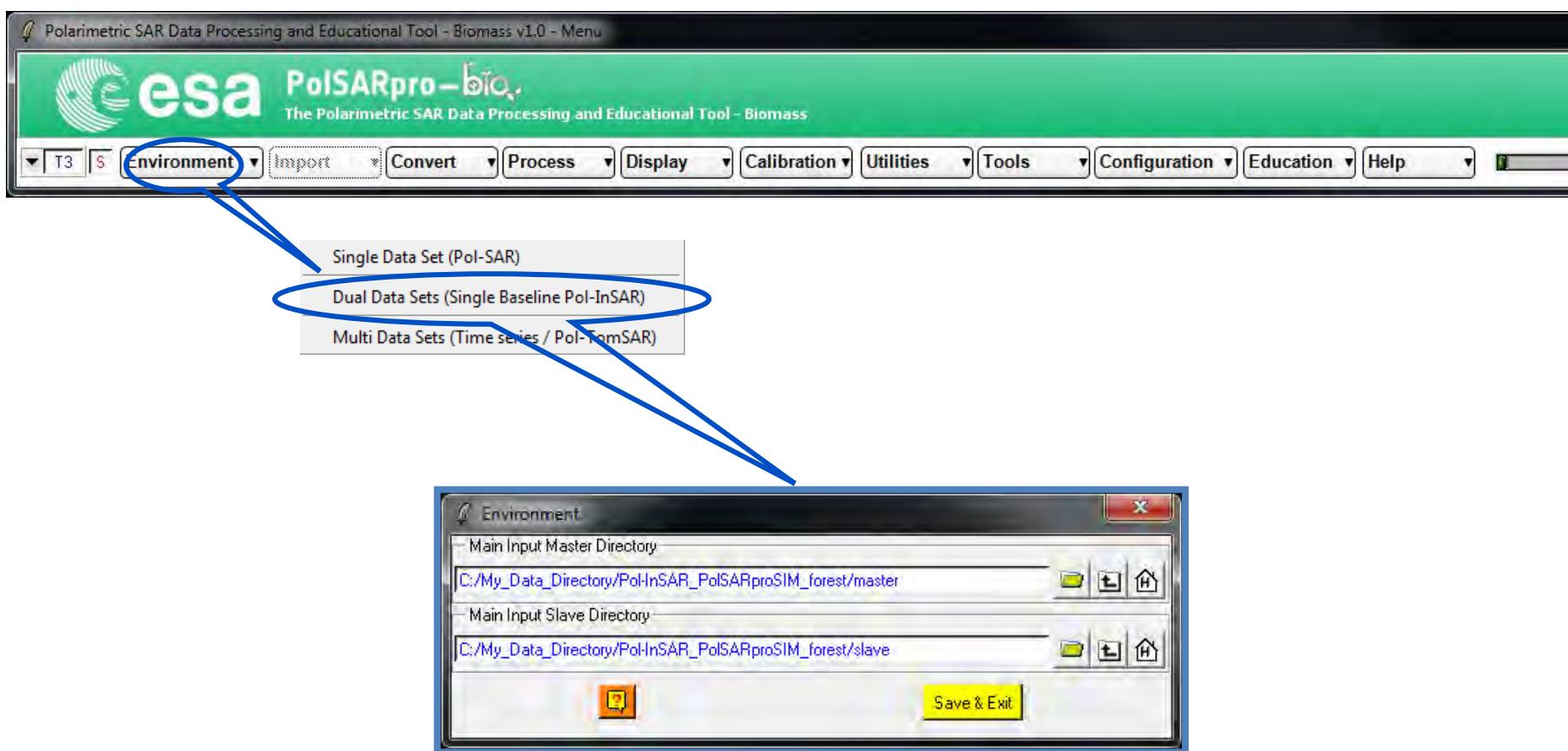
Simulation of a Deciduous Forest Stand

Parameter space:

- Baseline (horizontal) 10 m
- Flight height 3 km
- AOI 45 degree
- Forest type: deciduous
- Forest height 18 m
- Density (stems/ha) 300
- Smooth surface
- Low soil moisture
- Spatial resolution 1.5 x 1.06 m



Process the Data Interferometricaly



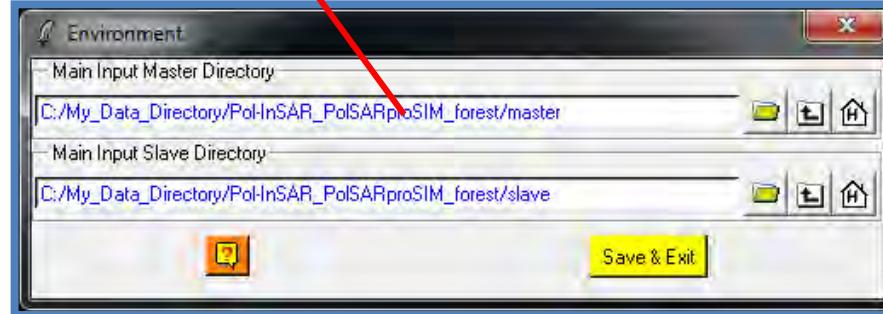


PolSARpro-bio

The Polarimetric SAR Data Processing and Educational Tool - Biomass

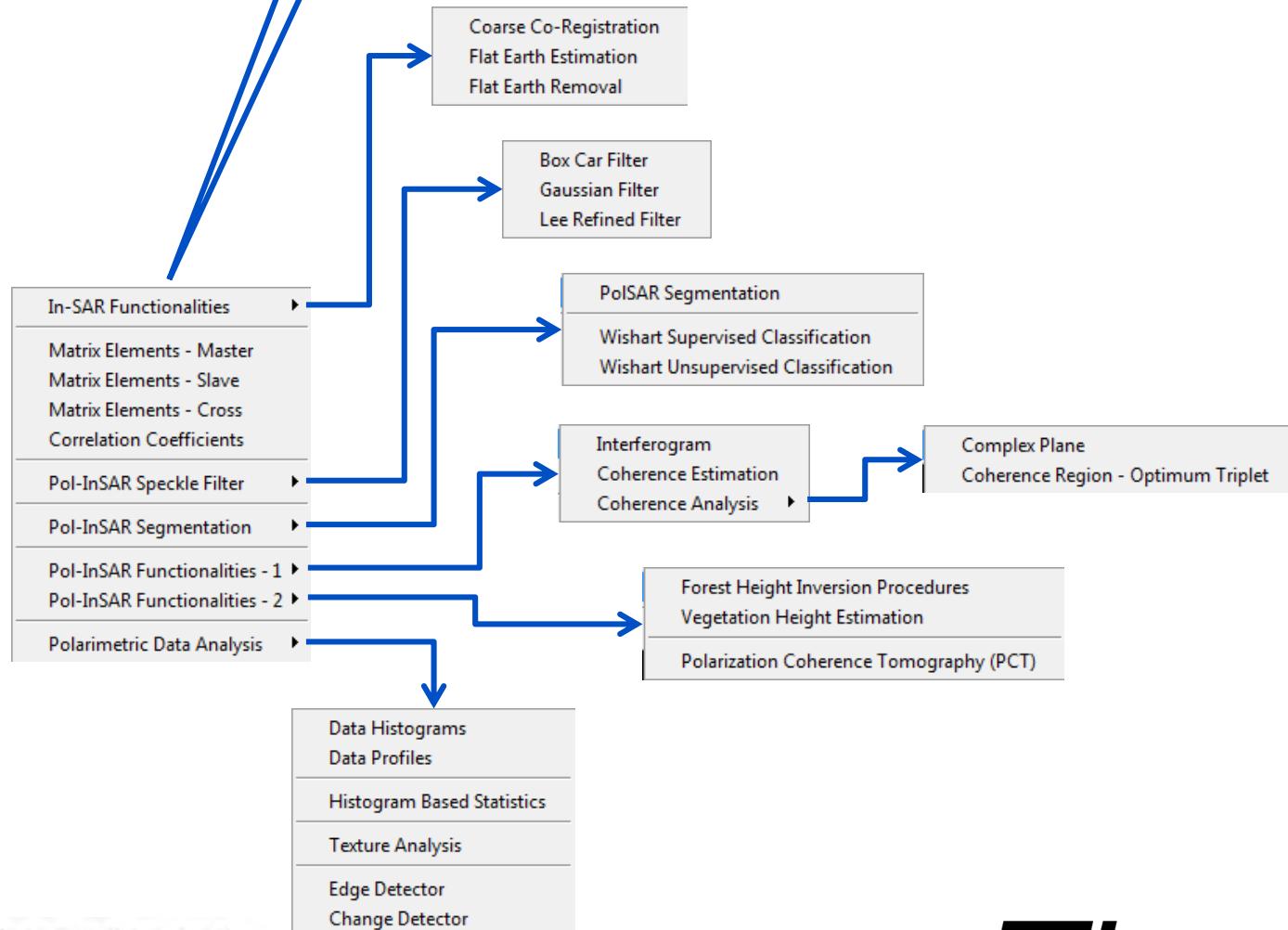
T3 S Environment Import Convert Process Display Calibration Utilities Tools Configuration Education Help

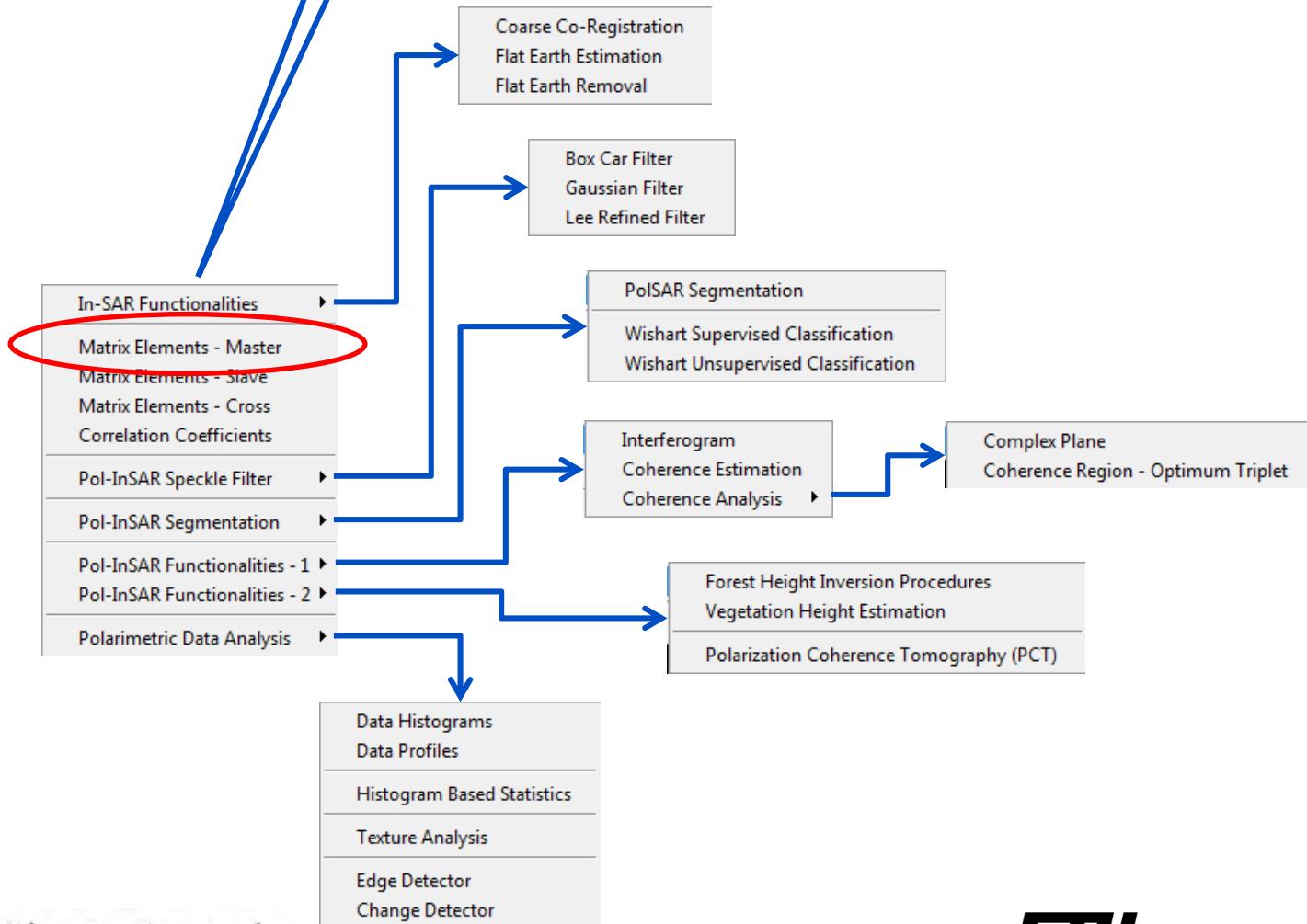
Configure Data Main Directories location



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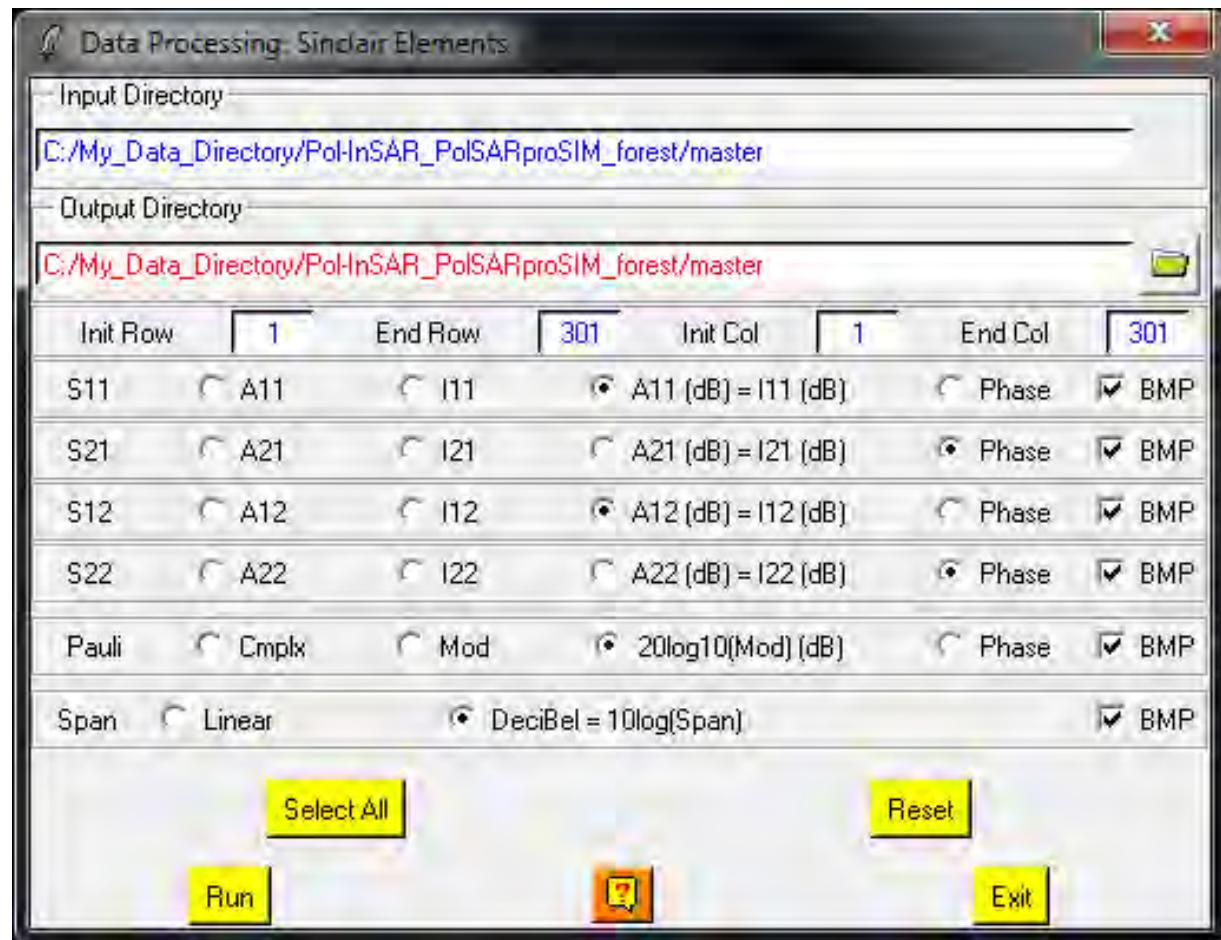
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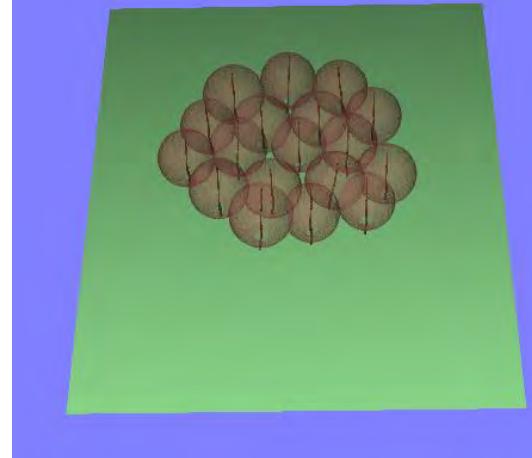
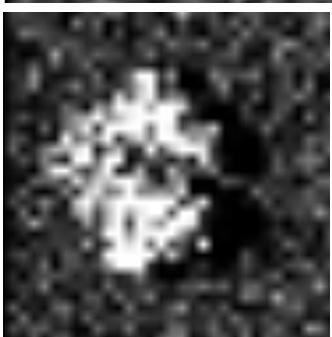
Generate the Scattering Matrix of the Master

- Processes to BMP File



Display Master Files with GIMP

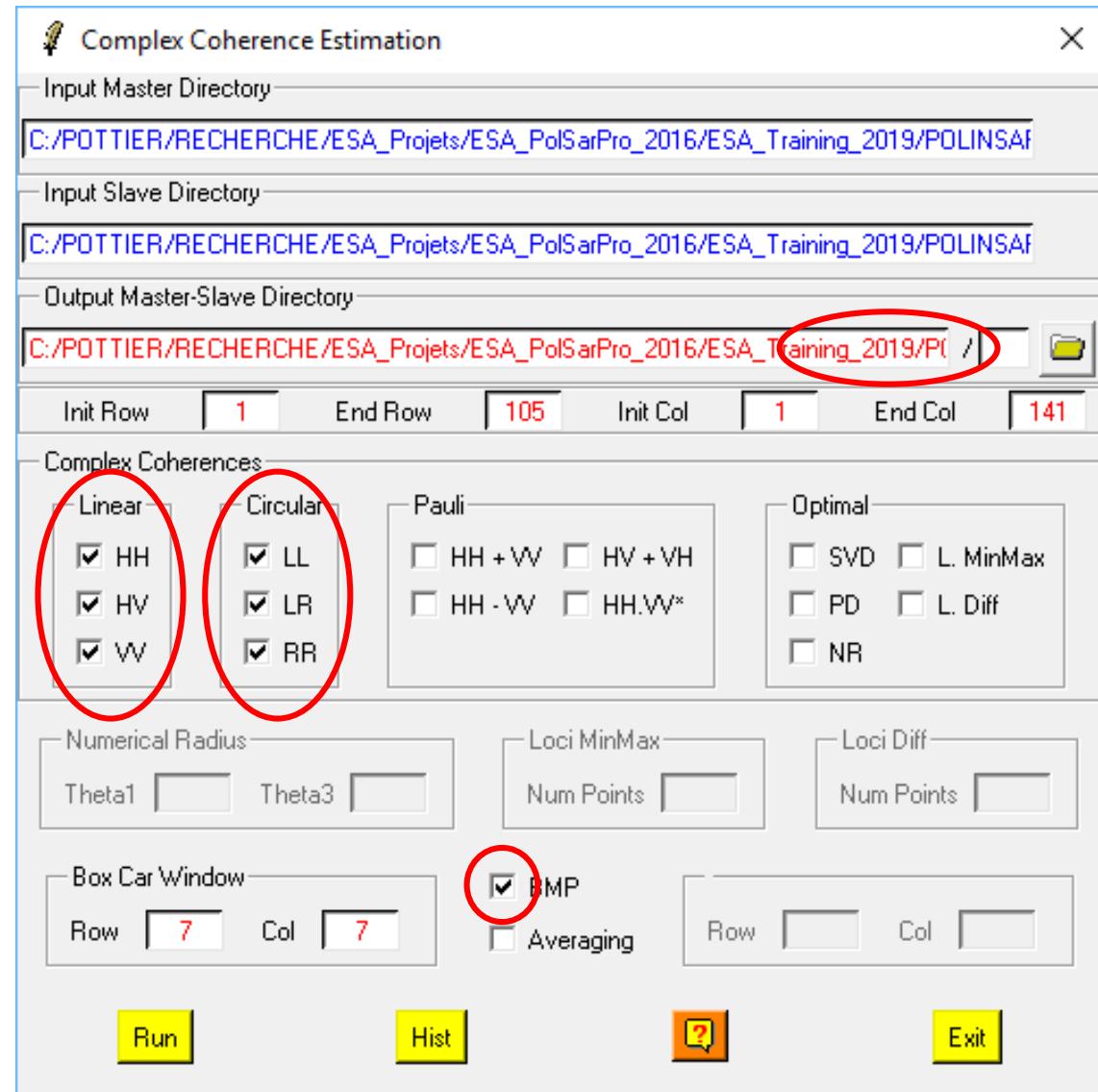
Forest Simulation





Generation of the Complex Coherence

- Go to Process
 - Coherence Estimation

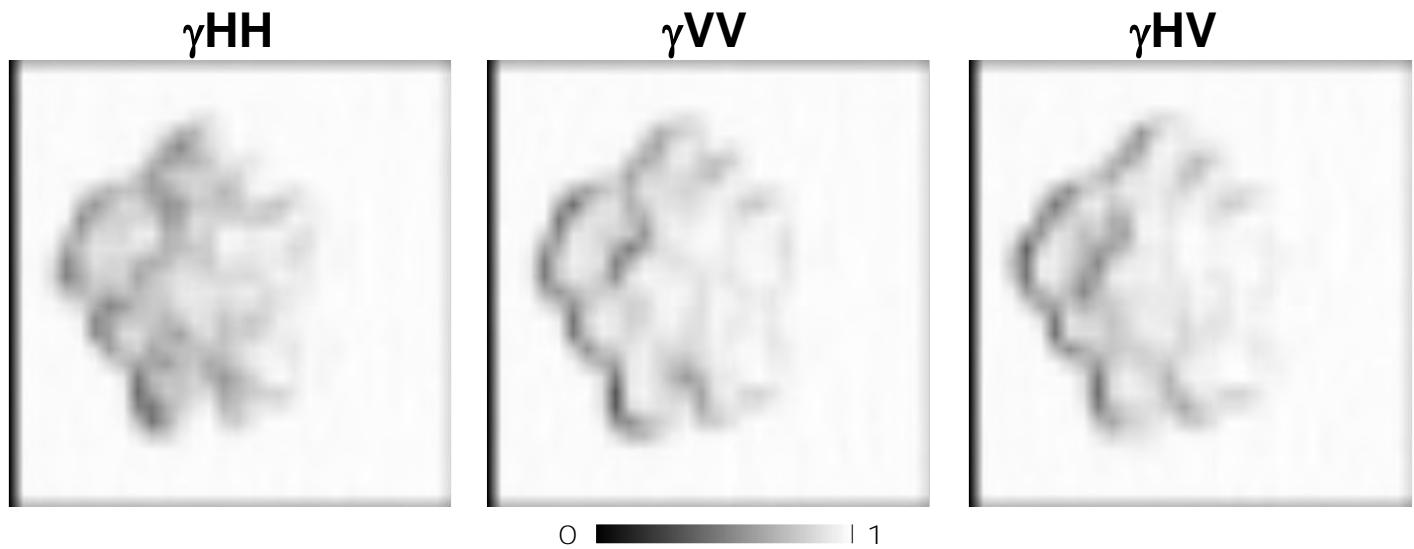


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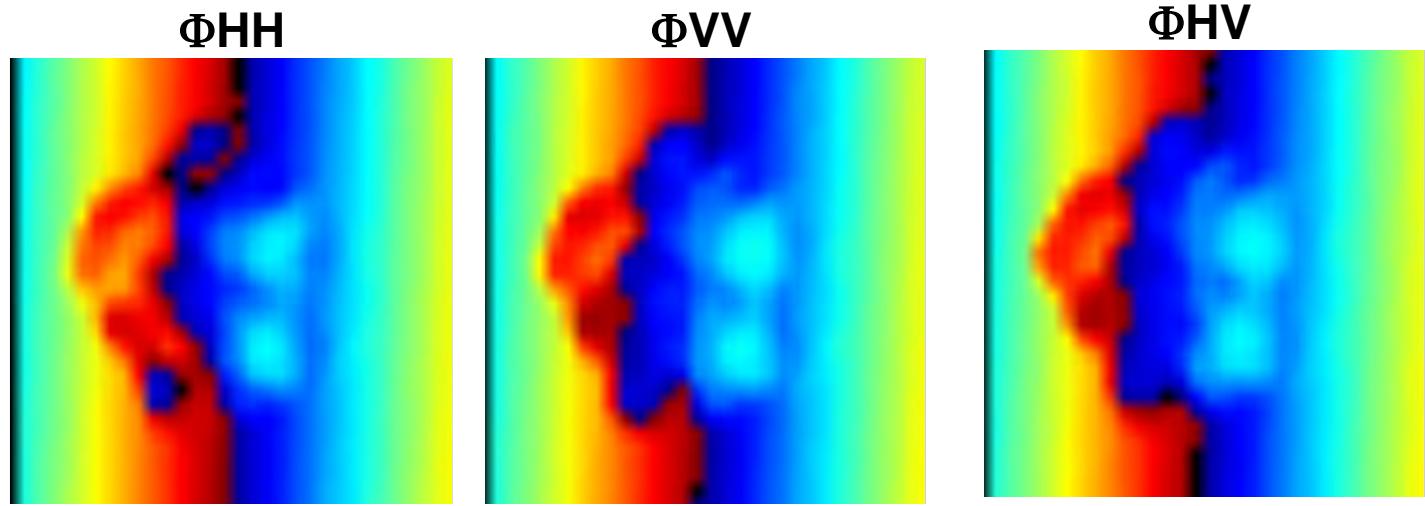
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Display Complex Coherences with GIMP

Coherence
Magnitude

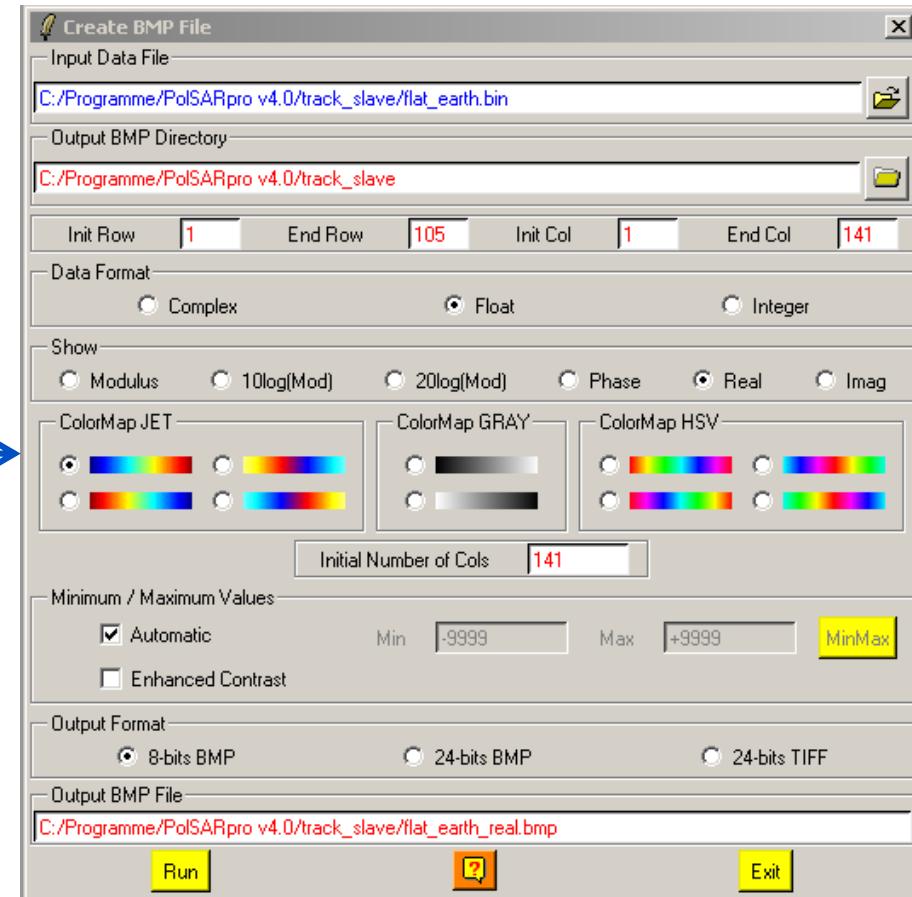


Coherence
Phase ~
Inter-
ferometric
Phase



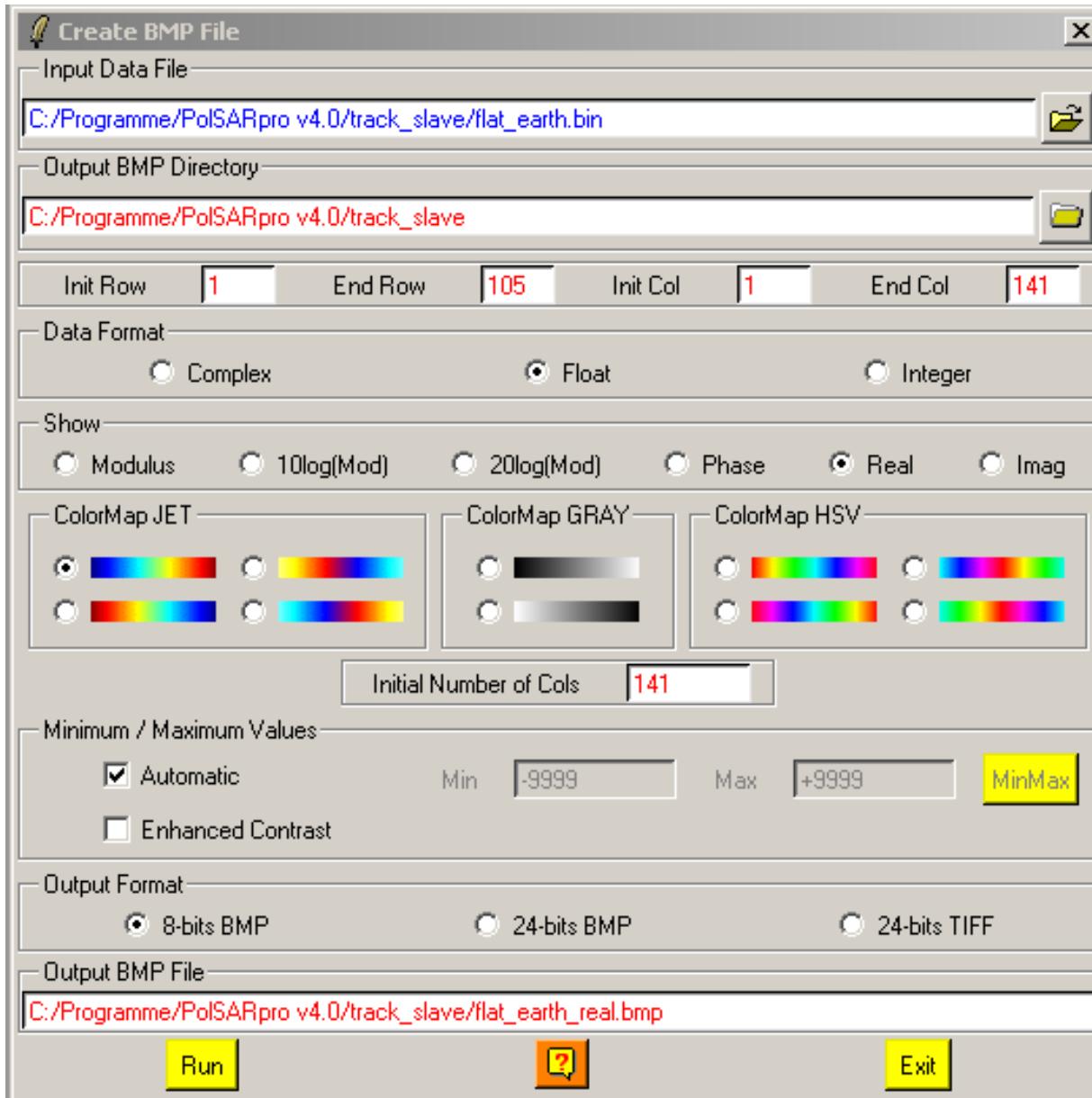


Create BMP File
Create RGB File
Create HSL File



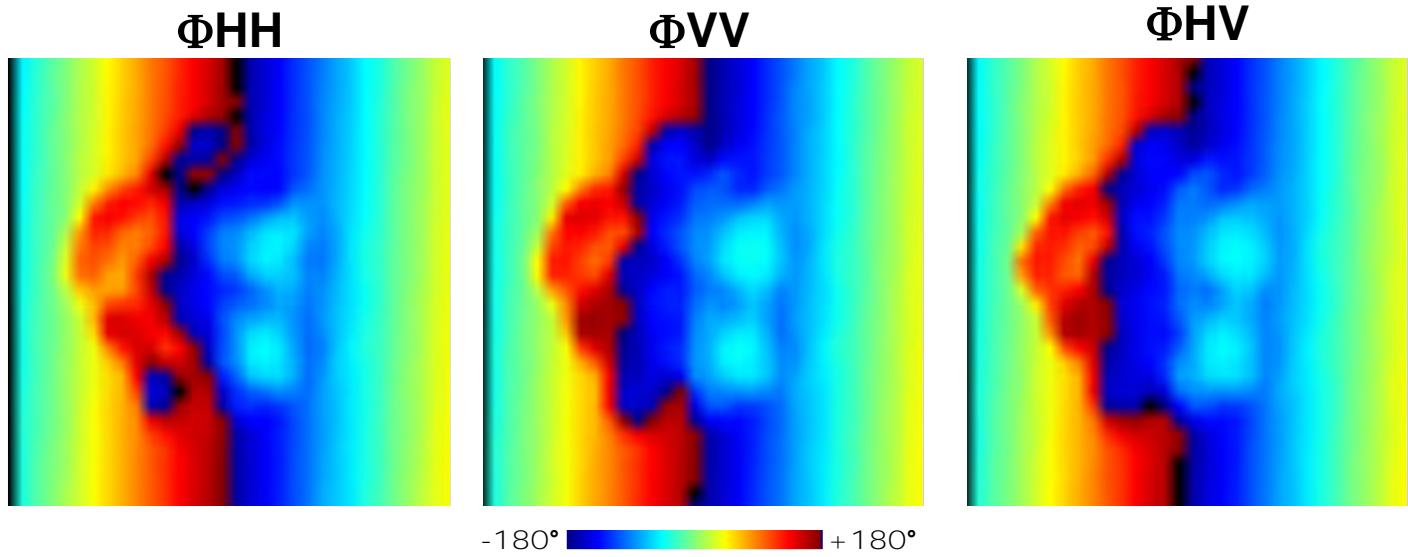
Display Flat Earth

- The flat earth is the dominant frequency component due to the side looking geometry (range direction)
- Flat Earth for the simulation data were already estimated during the PolSARPro Sim
- Go to Display and create a .bmp file

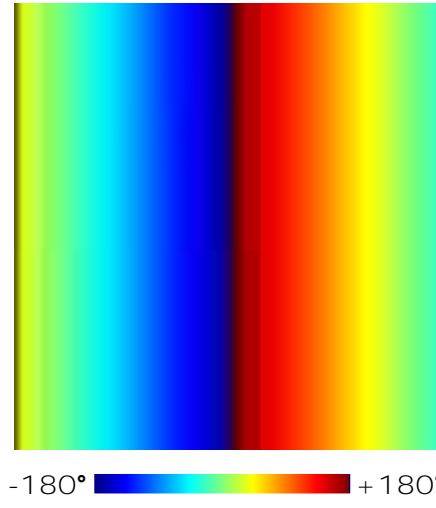


Display Flat Earth Earth & Store as .bmp

Coherence
Phase ~
Inter-
ferometric
Phase

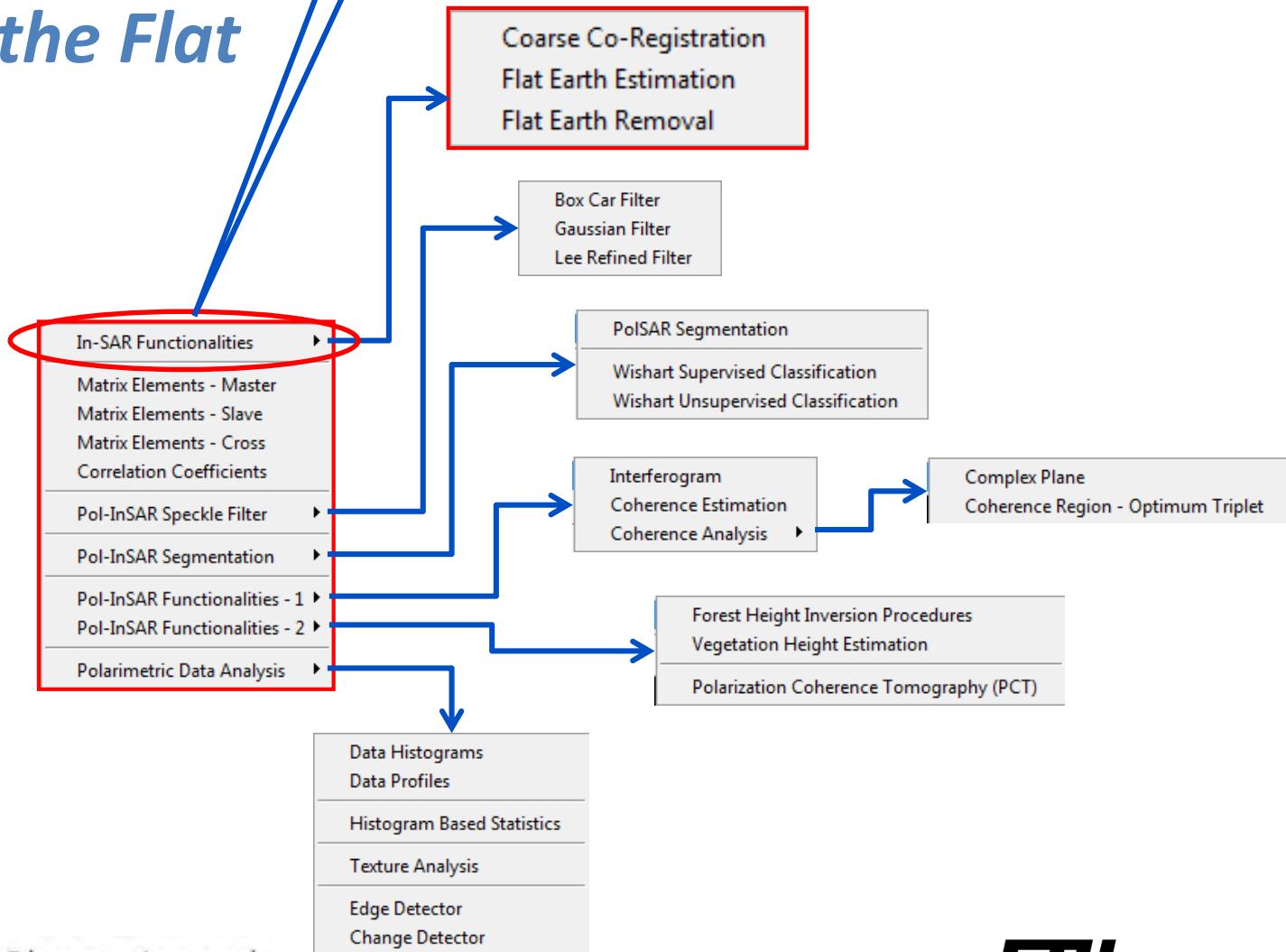


Flat Earth:
regular fringe
pattern in range



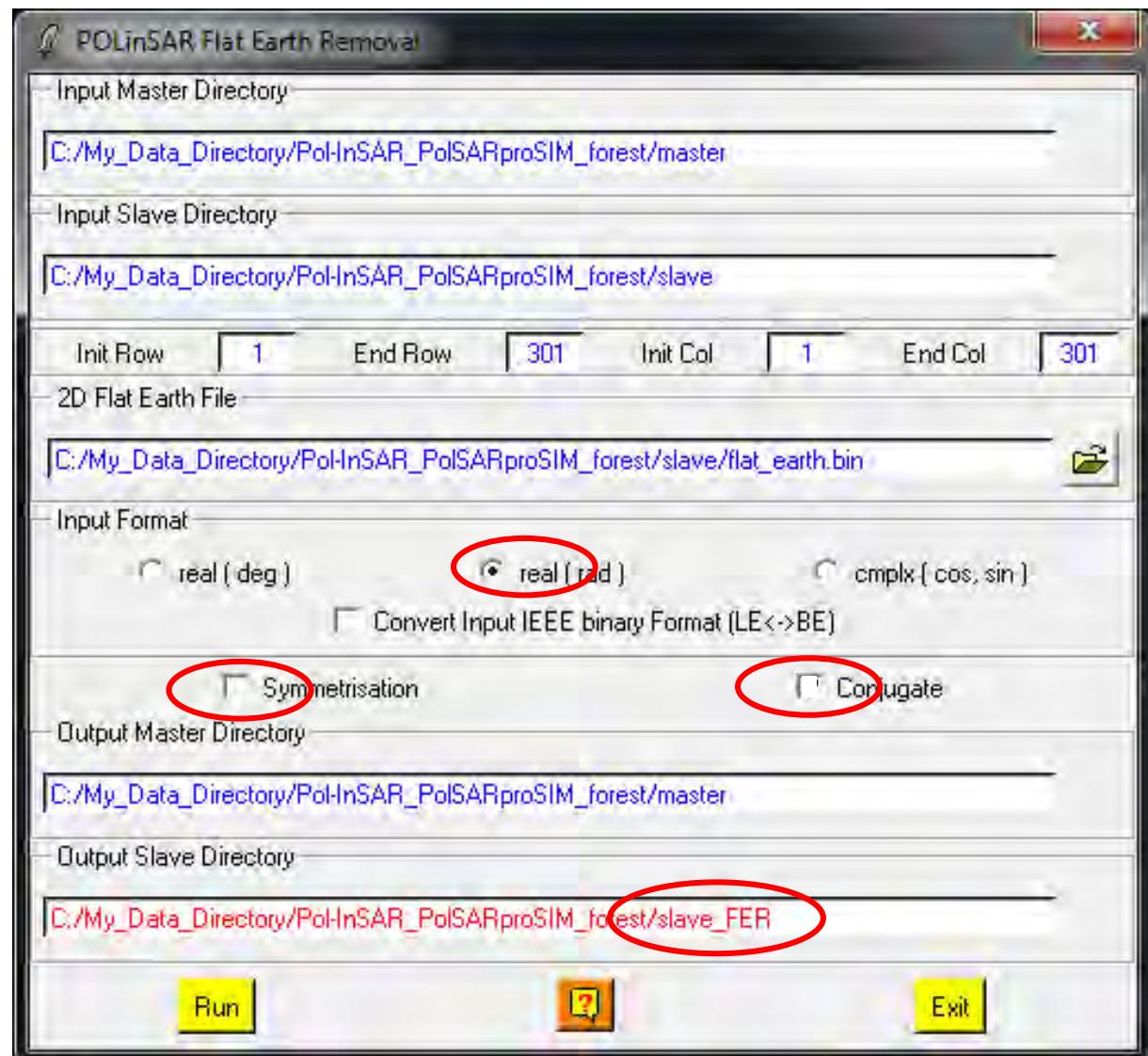


Correct the Flat Earth



Correct the Flat Earth

- Go to Processes
 - Flat Earth Removal



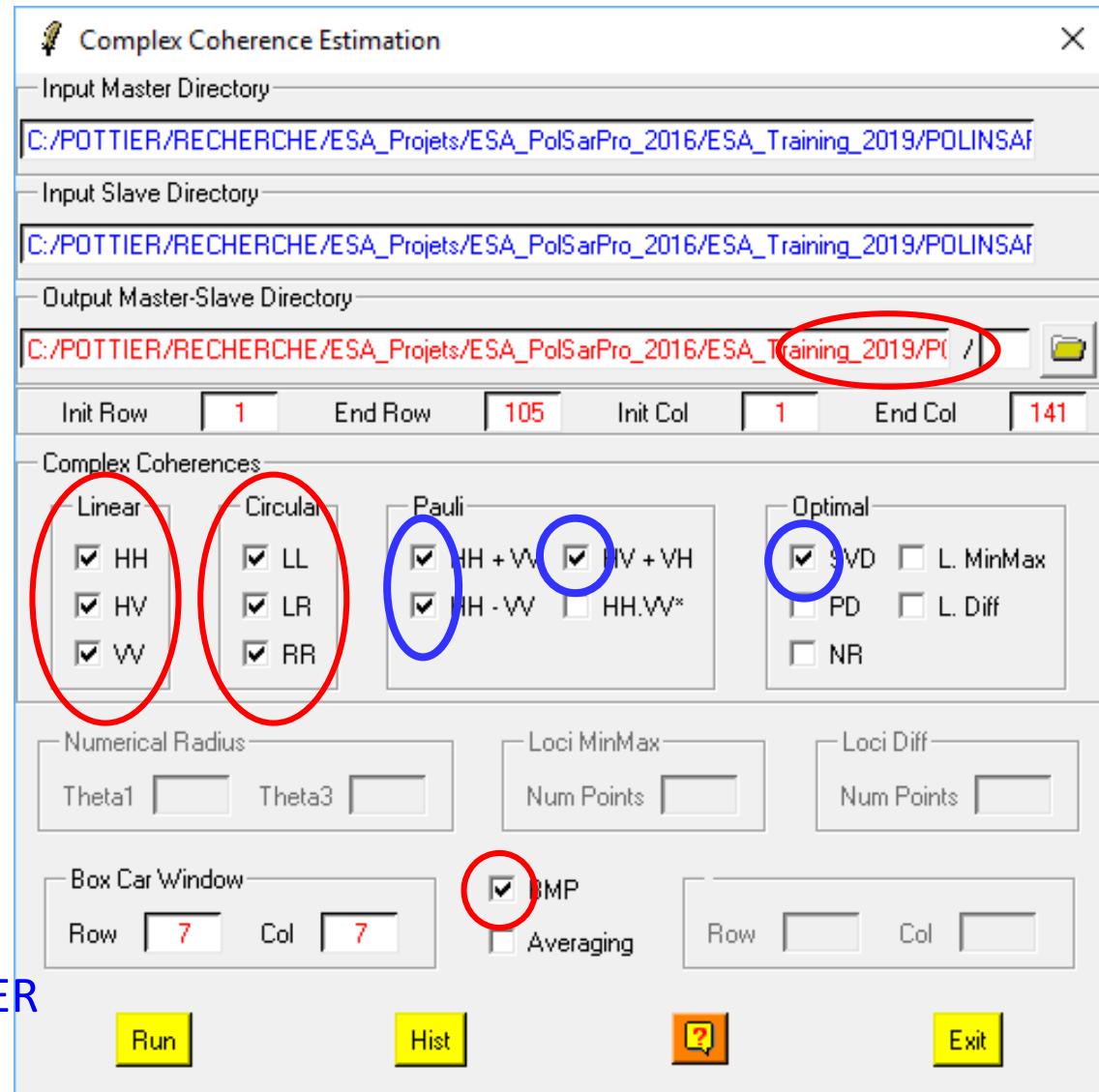
Note:

The Output Directory is automatically set to:
track_slave_FER



Run again the Coherence Estimation

- ↗ Go to Process
 - ↗ Coherence Estimation



Note:

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Display Complex Coherences with GIMP – After FE Correction

Coherence
Magnitude

γ_{HH}



γ_{VV}



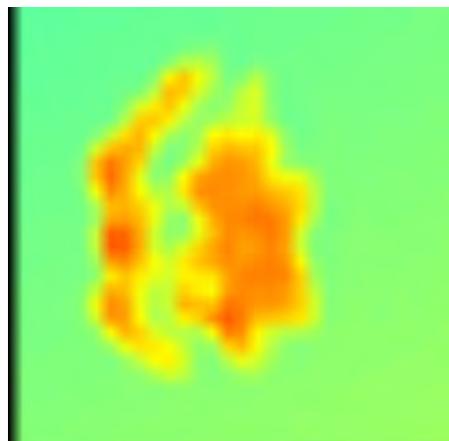
γ_{HV}



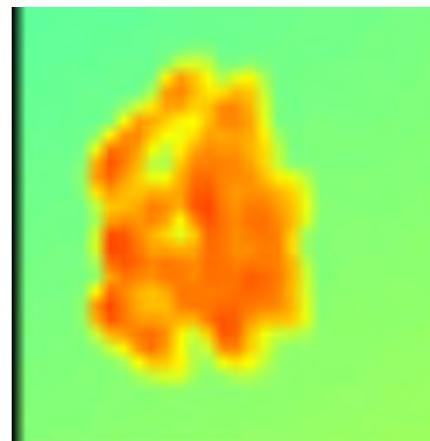
0 — 1

Coherence
Phase ~
Inter-
ferometric
Phase

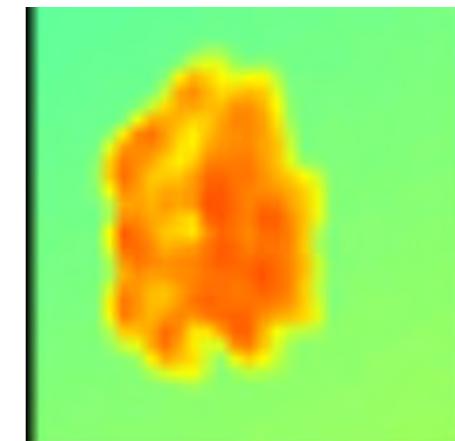
Φ_{HH}



Φ_{VV}



Φ_{HV}

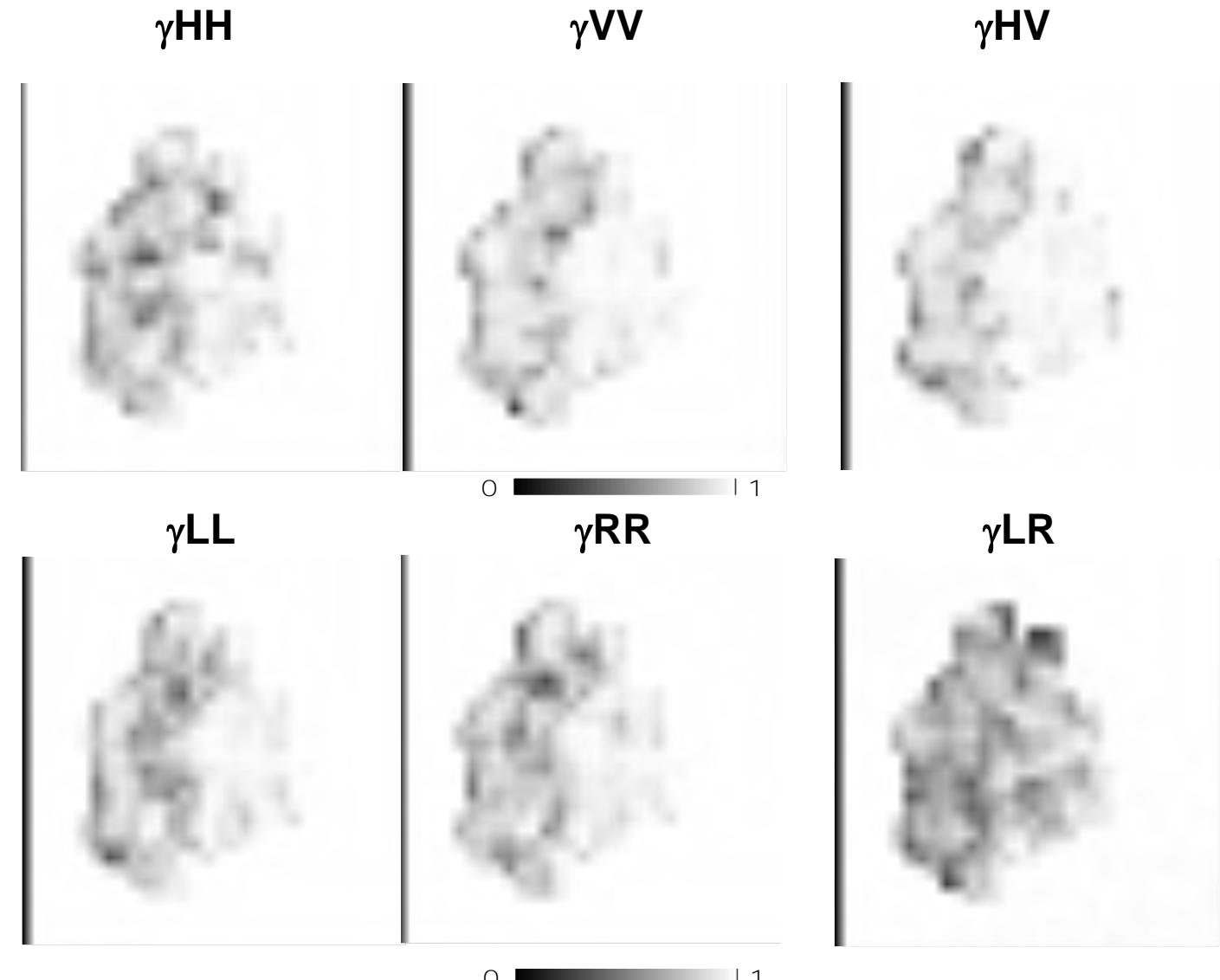


-180° — +180°

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Display Complex Coherences with GIMP – After FE Correction

Coherence
Magnitude



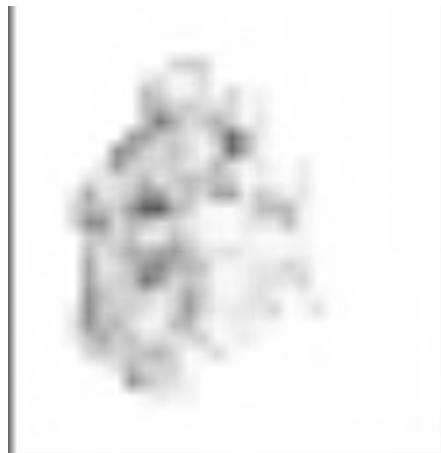
Display Complex Coherences with GIMP – After FE Correction

Coherence
Magnitude

γ_{HH}

γ_{VV}

γ_{HV}

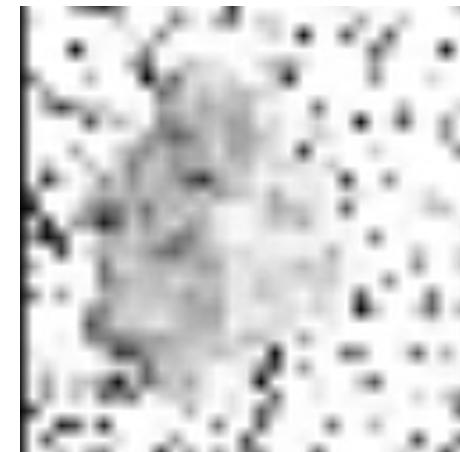
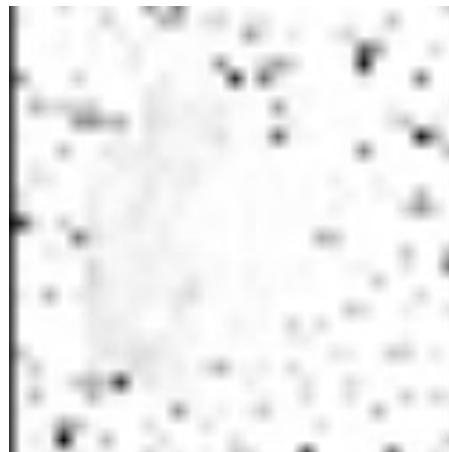


0 | 1

γ_{opt1}

γ_{opt2}

γ_{opt3}



0 | 1



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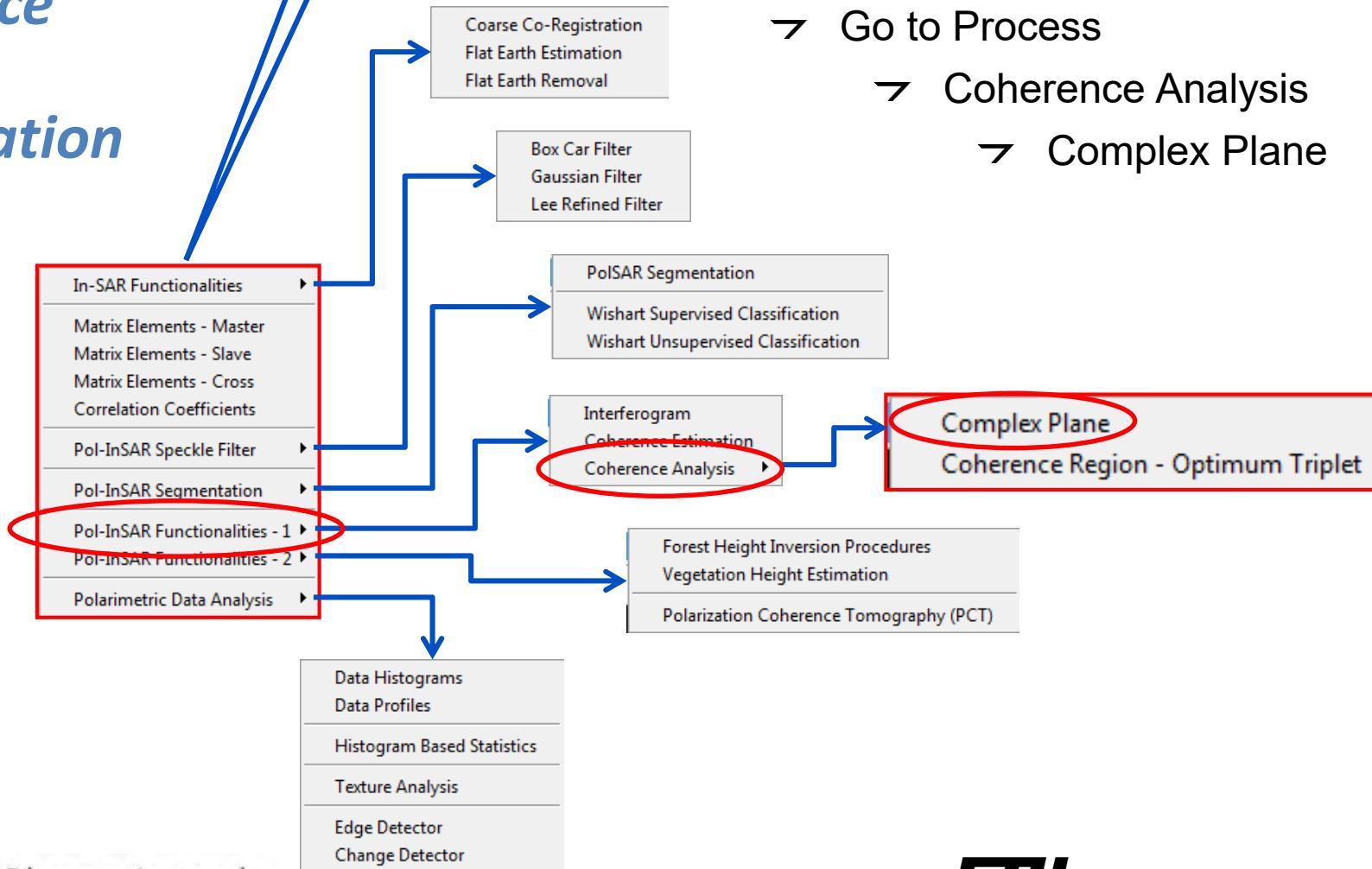
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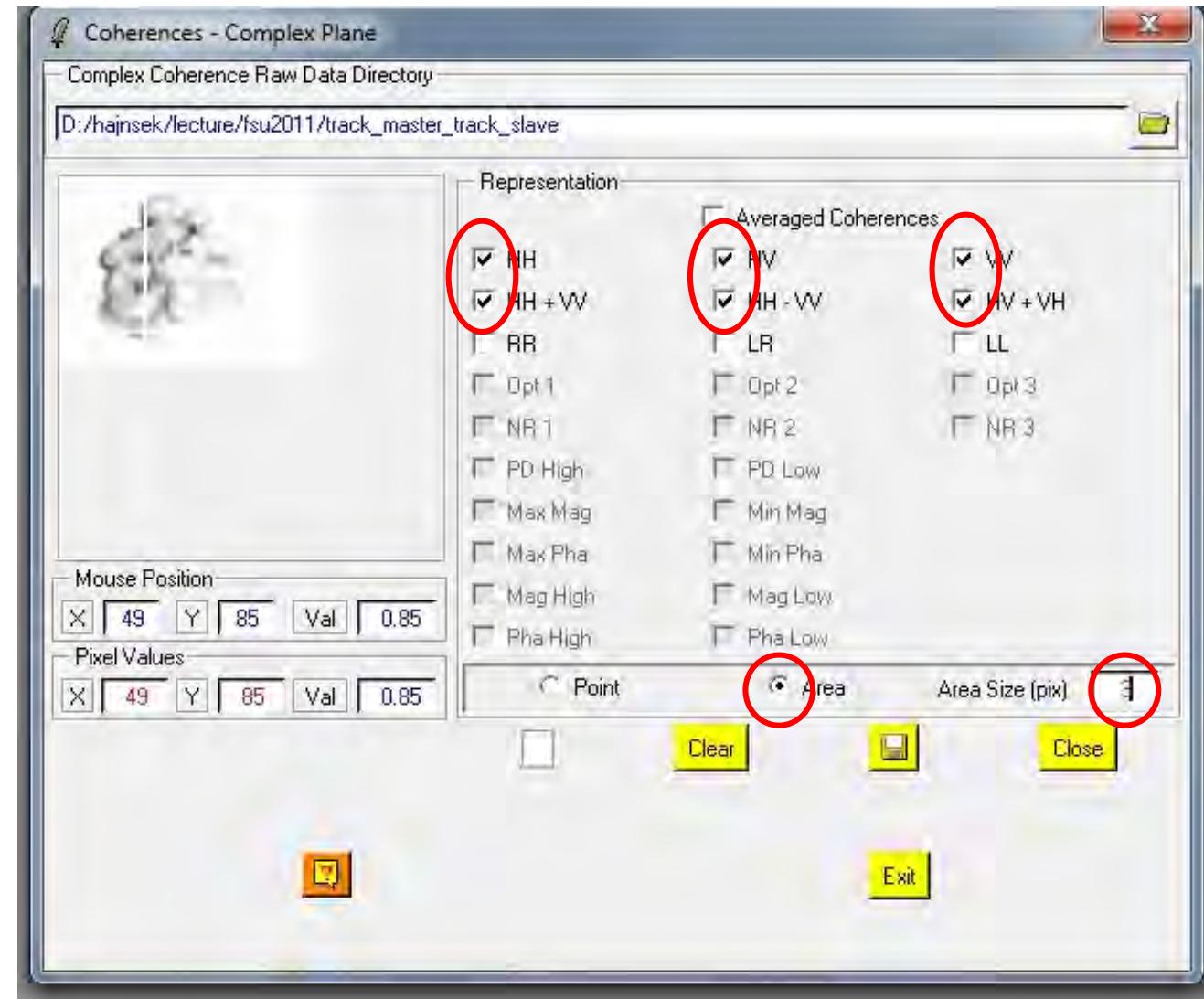
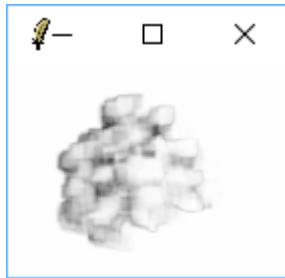
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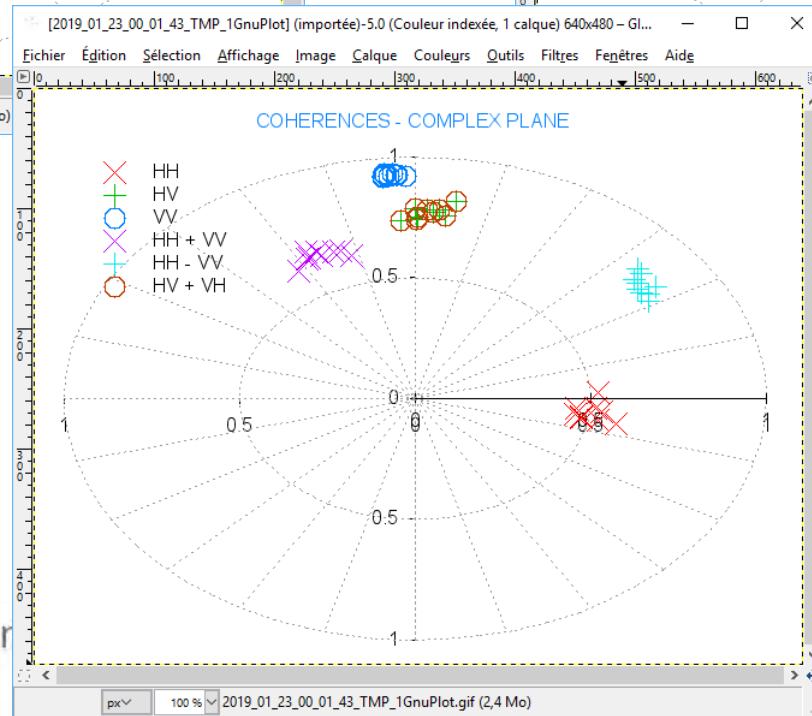
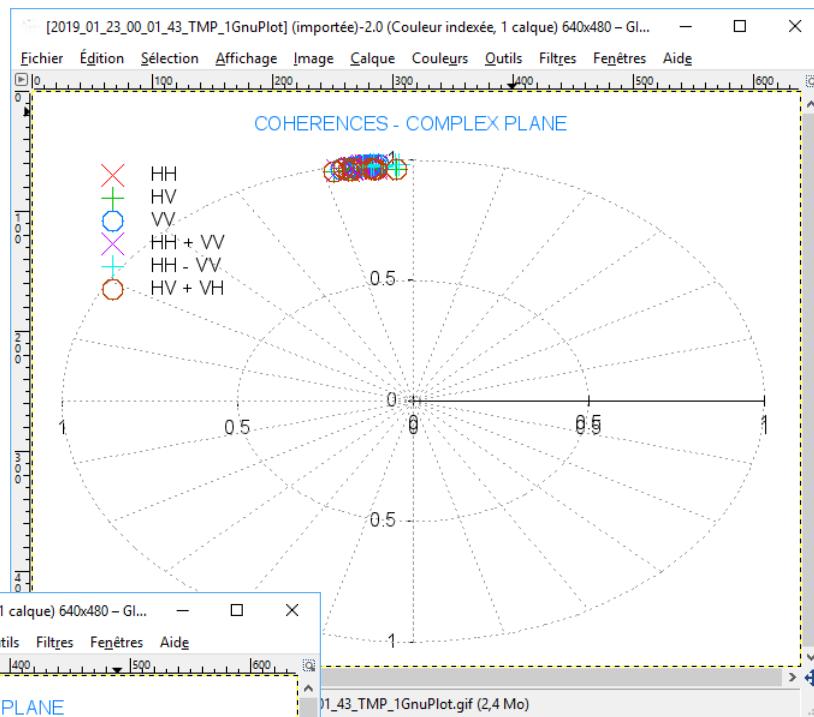
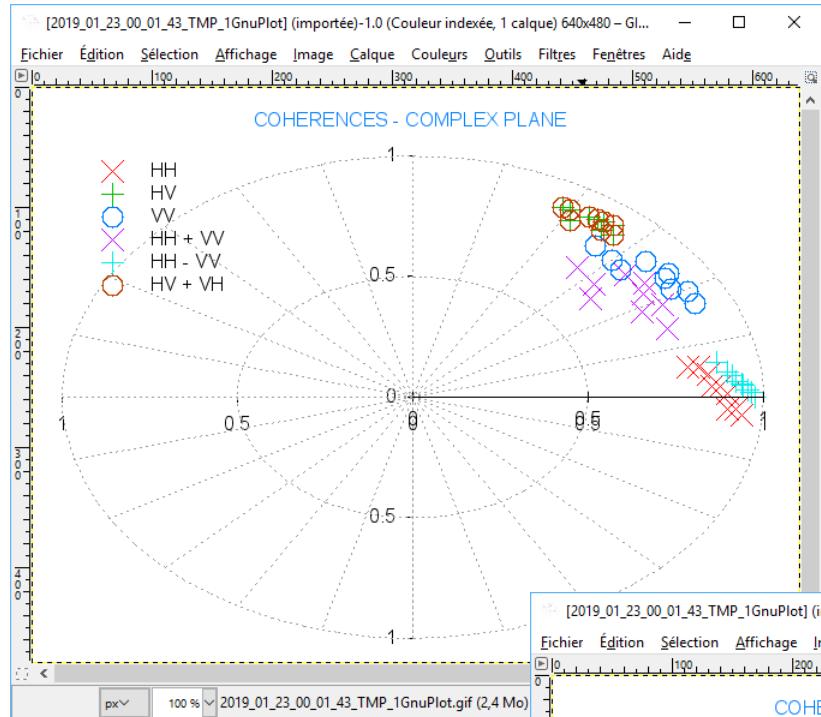
- Go to Process
- Coherence Analysis
- Complex Plane

Coherence Plane Investigation

- >Select an area
- Save the plot with the complex circle



Complex Unit Circle



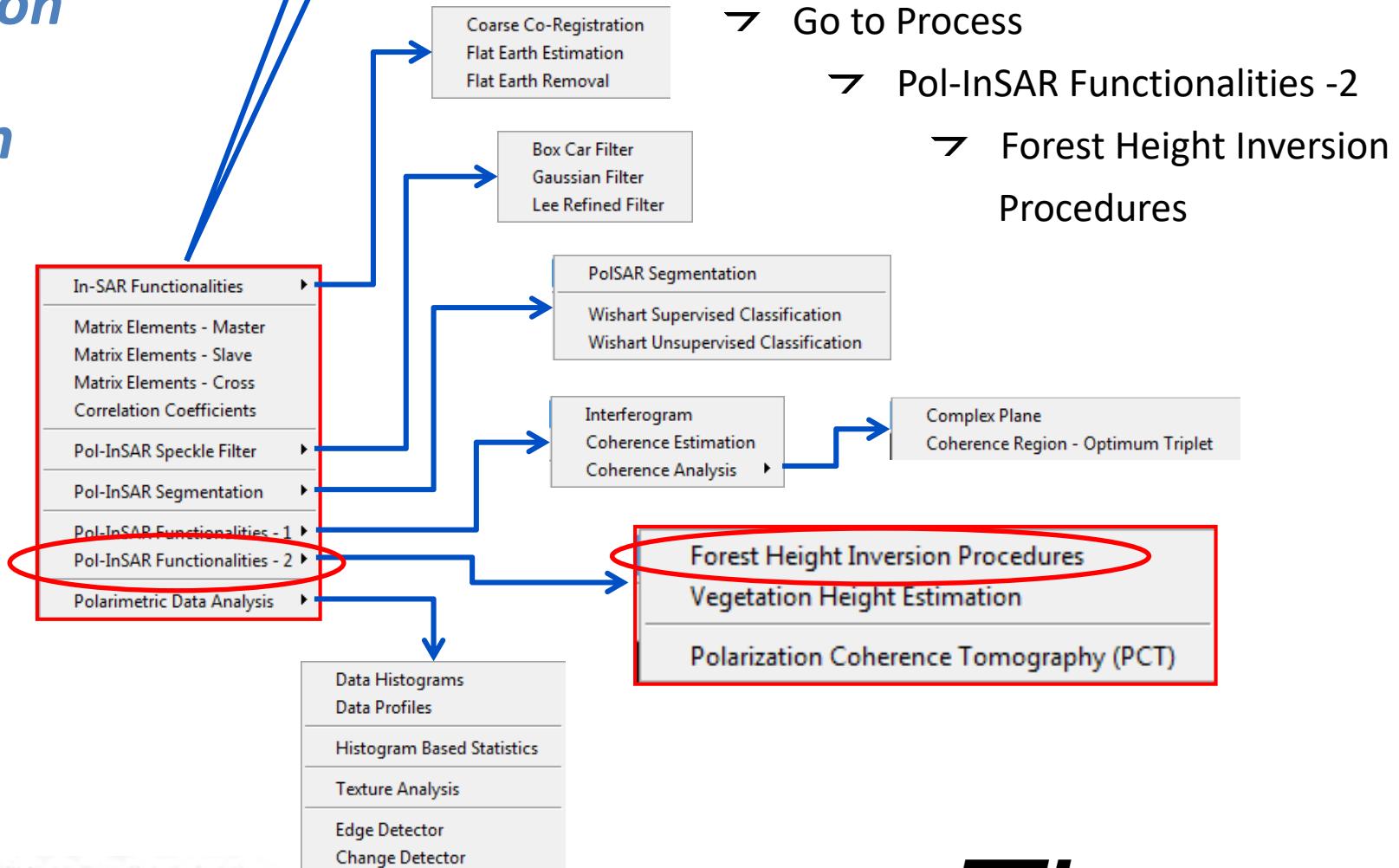
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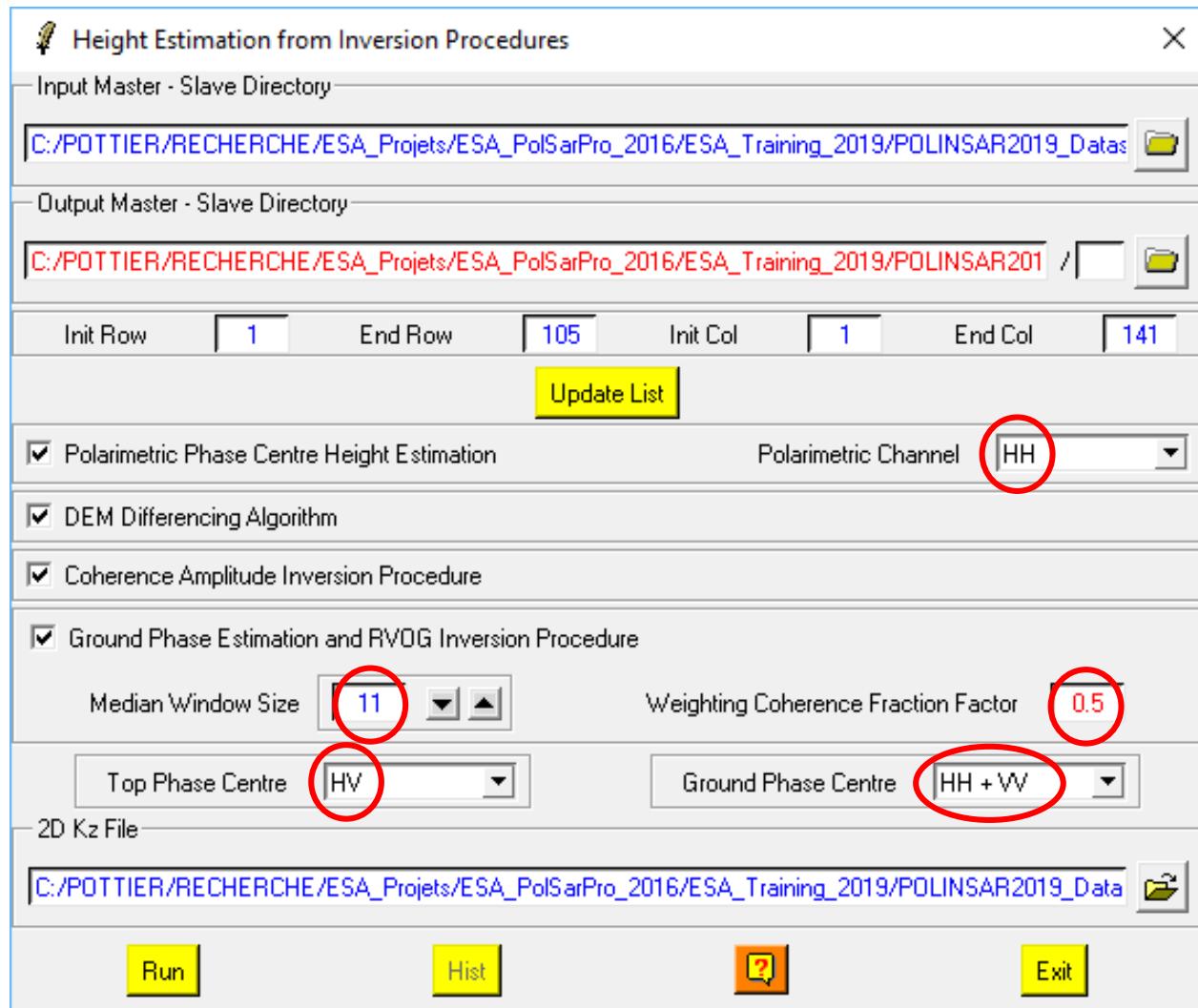


Vegetation Height Inversion Using Kz



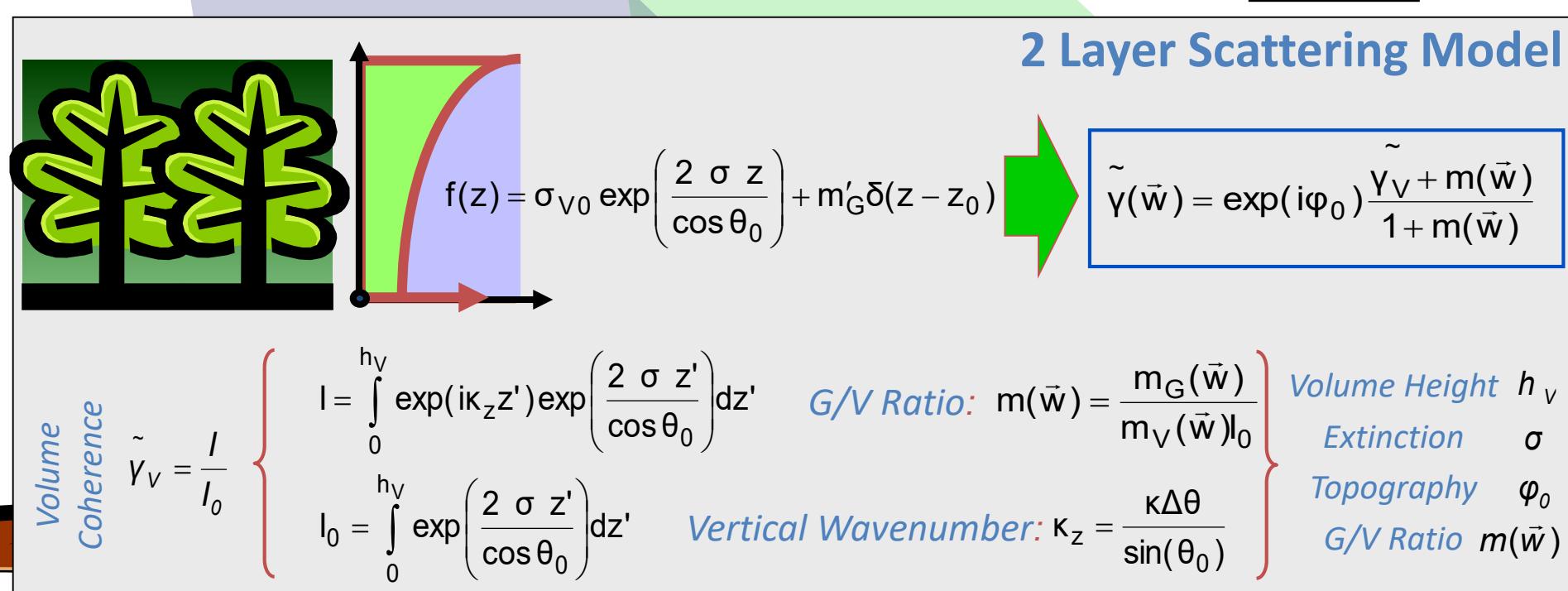
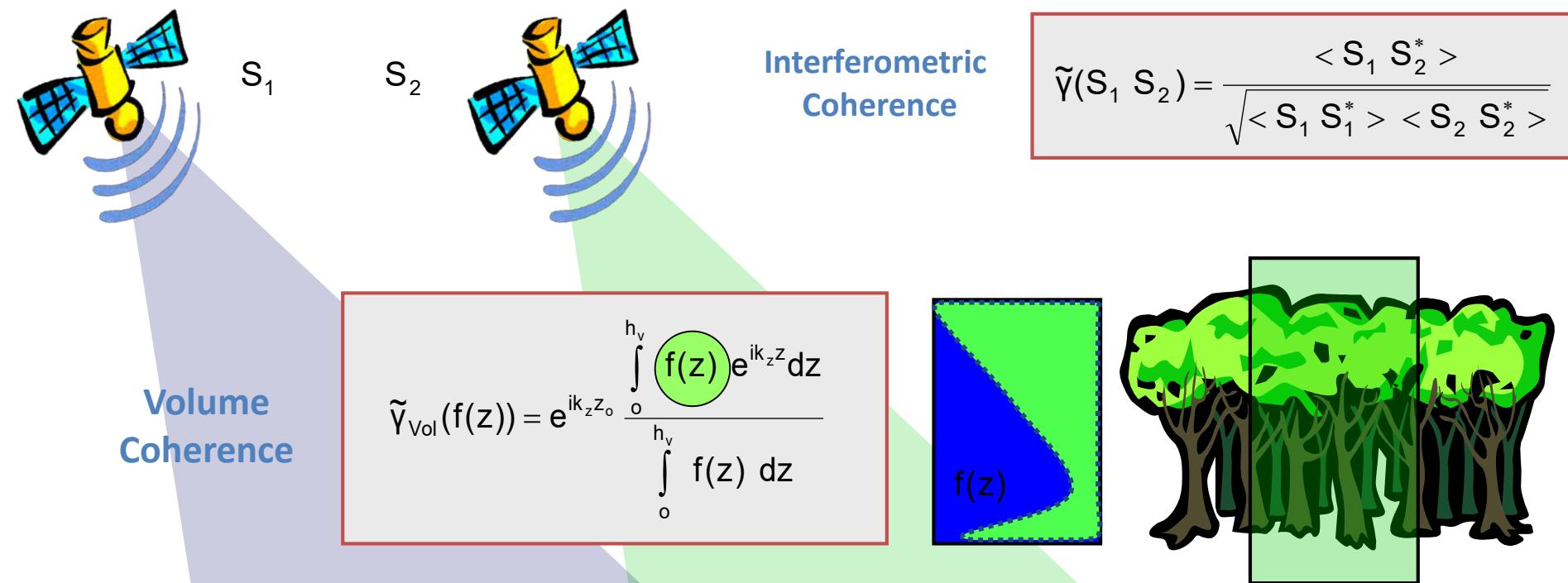
Vegetation Height Inversion Using Kz

- Use the 'inversion procedure'



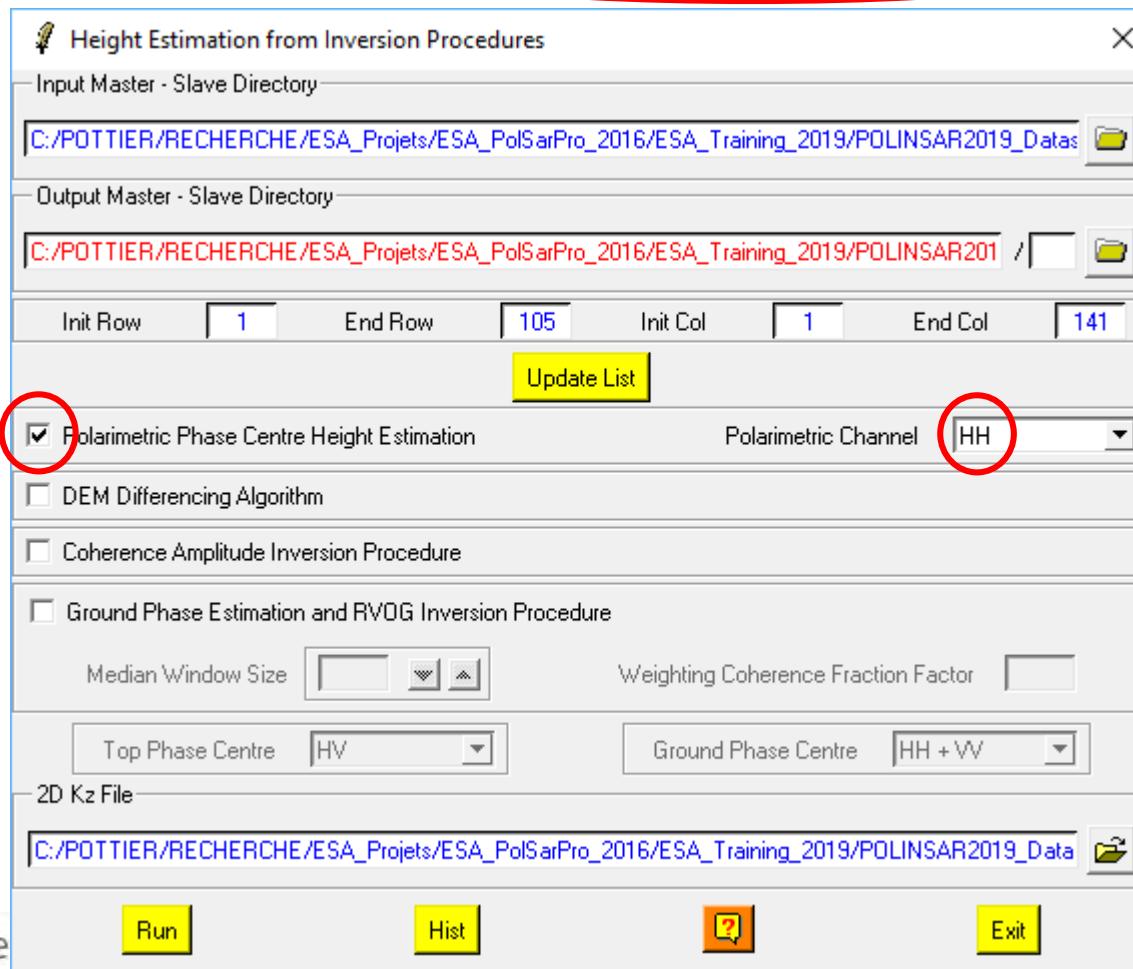
Height Inversion using different Methods

- RVoG Inversion
 - 2-Layer inversion model (standard): Parameter space: ground/volume ratio, underlying topography, height, extinction
- Coherence Height
 - Amplitude inversion, assumption only volume scattering is present, procedure uses coherence to kz (0 s) inversion according to a sinc function
- Phase Center Heights (HH)
 - Based on the inversion of the scattering phase centers – simple conversion into height
- DEM Difference Heights
 - Based on the difference of two polarisation channels (phase location between volume and ground)



Do it yourself!

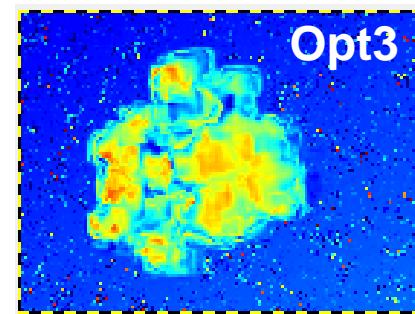
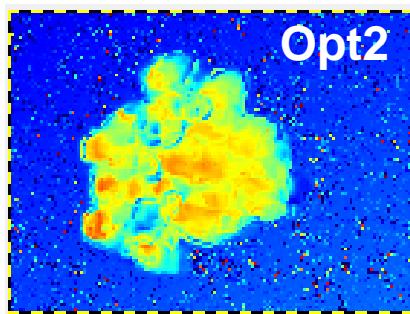
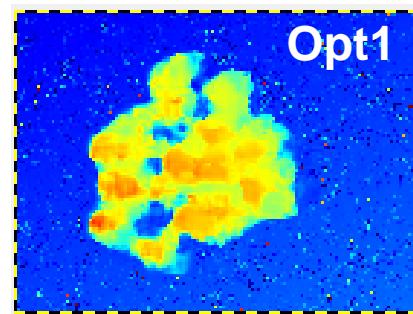
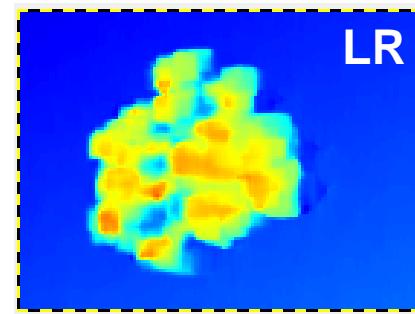
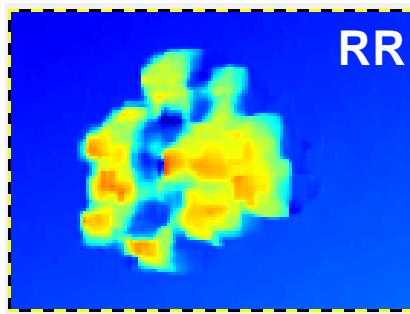
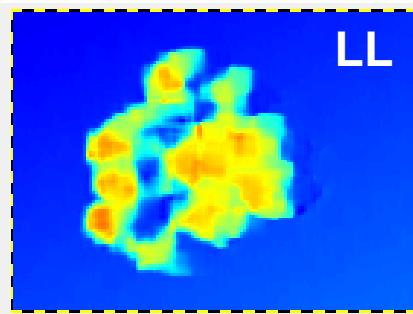
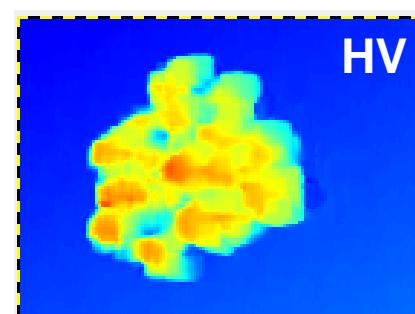
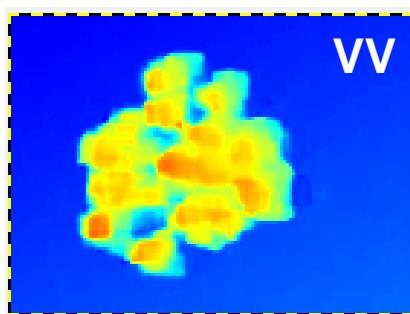
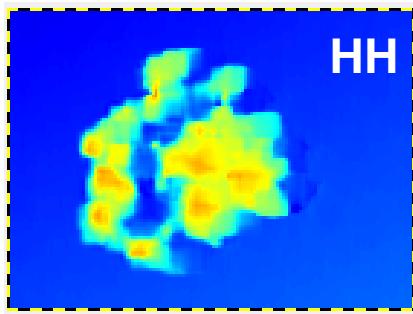
- Please generate the following products
 - Phase center heights in **HH, VV, HV, LL, LR, RR, Opt1, Opt2, Opt3**



Phase Center Heights [m]

min max

-5 m +25 m



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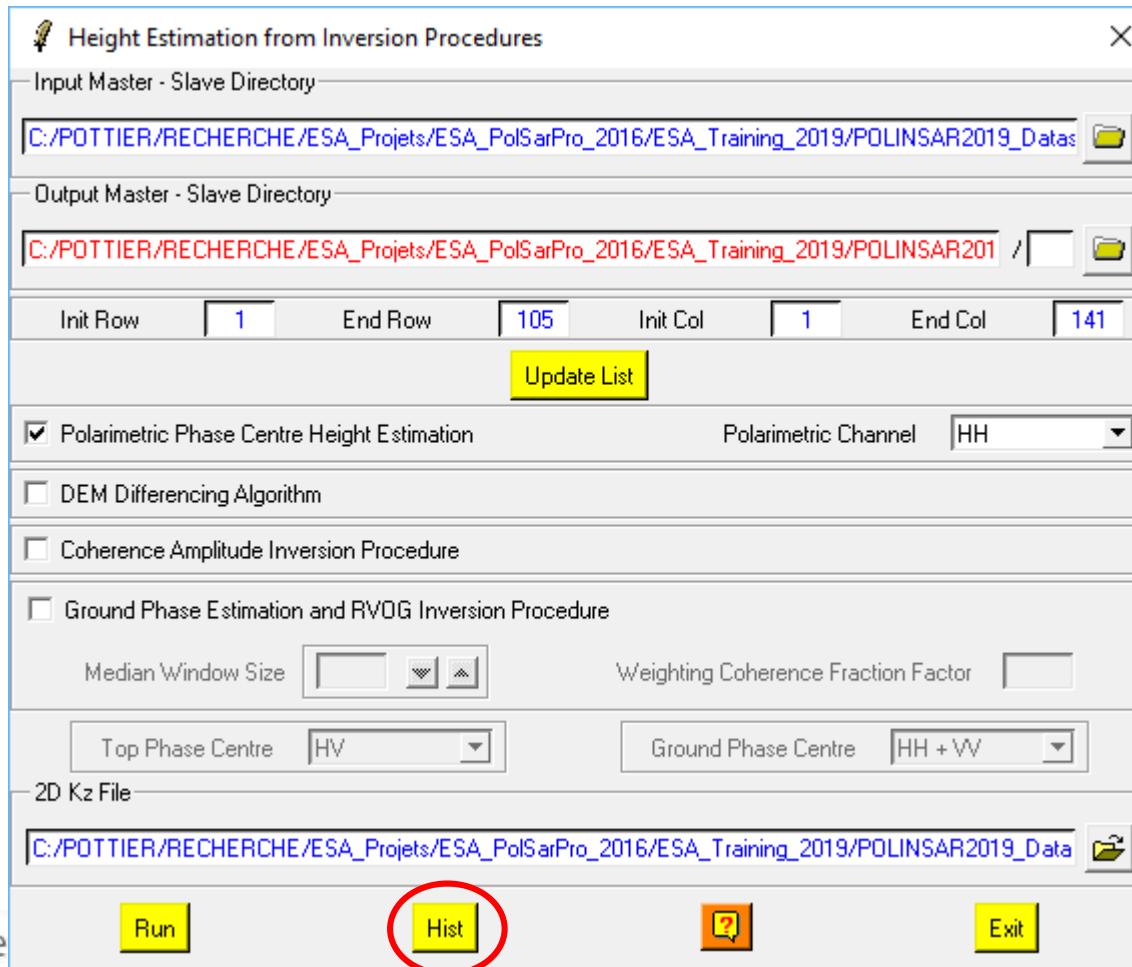
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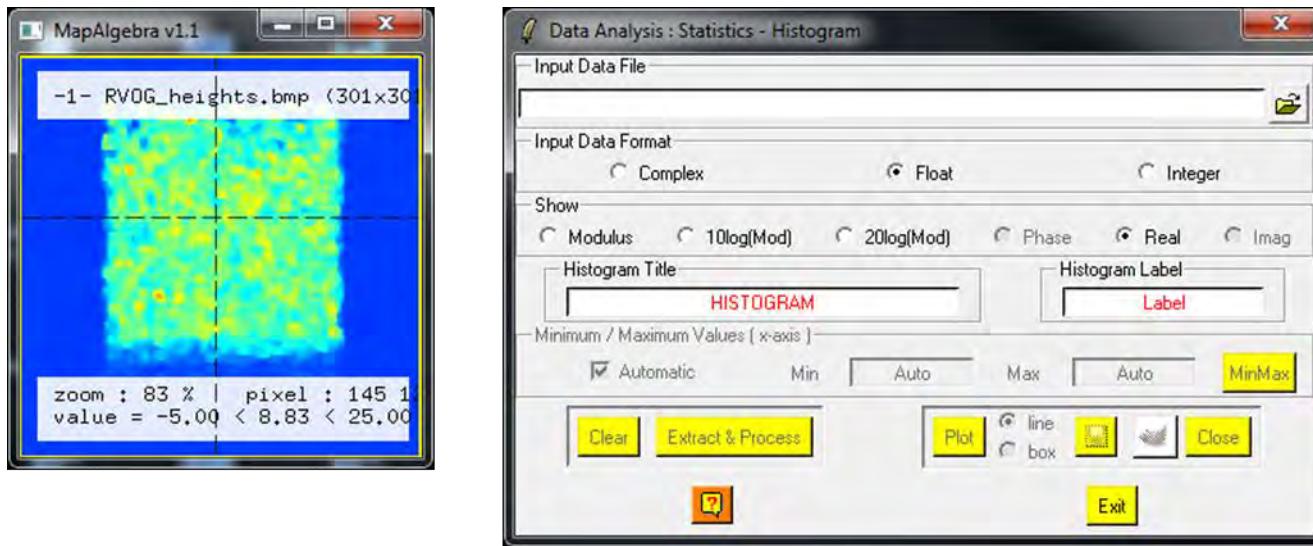
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Do it yourself!

- Please generate the following products
 - Compare the phase center heights (statistics)

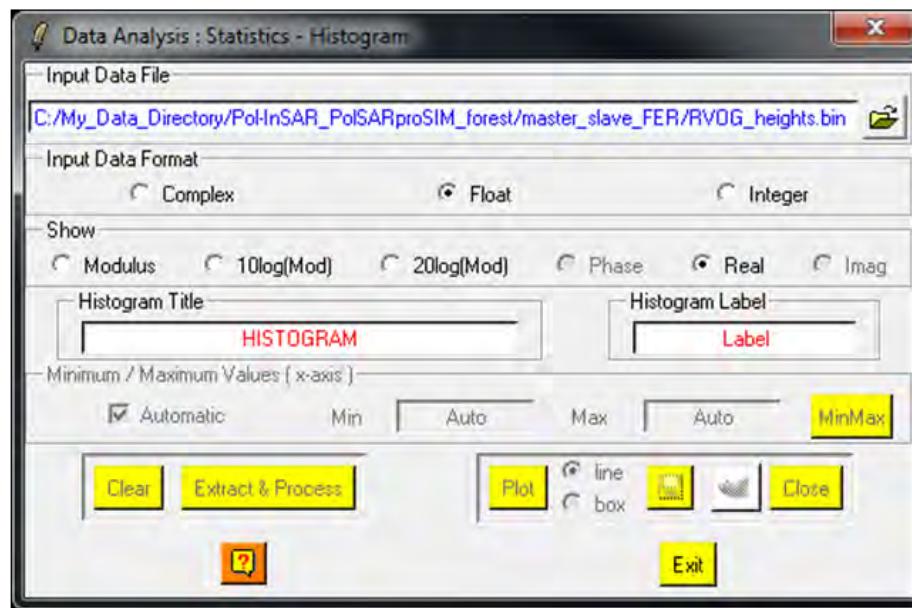
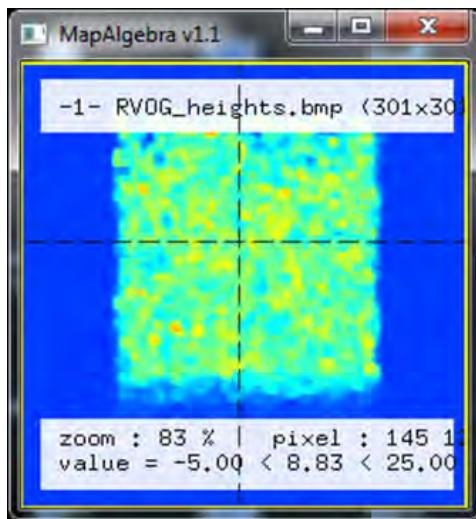


Statistics: Histogram for the Vegetation Height



Do it Yourself:
Step 1 : Select a BMP File

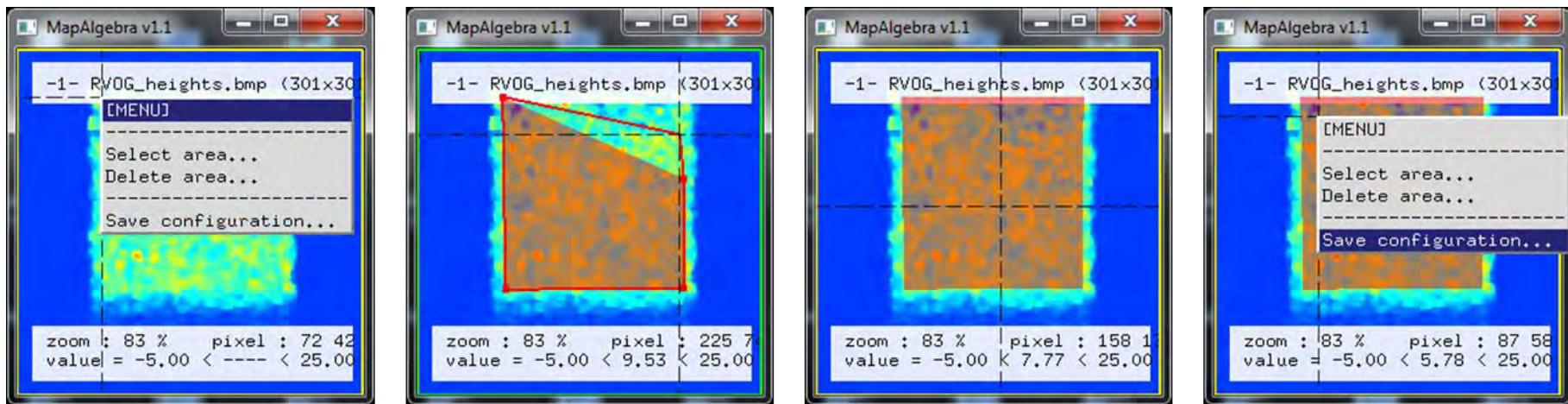
Statistics: Histogram for the Vegetation Height



Do it Yourself:

**Step 2 : Select an Input Binary Data File
Select what to Show
Enter the *Histogram Title*
Enter the *Histogram Label***

Statistics: Histogram for the Vegetation Height

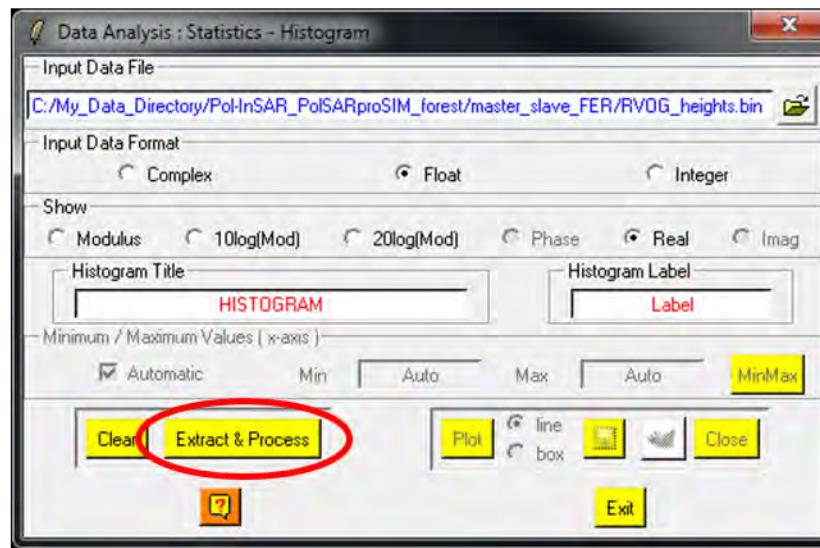
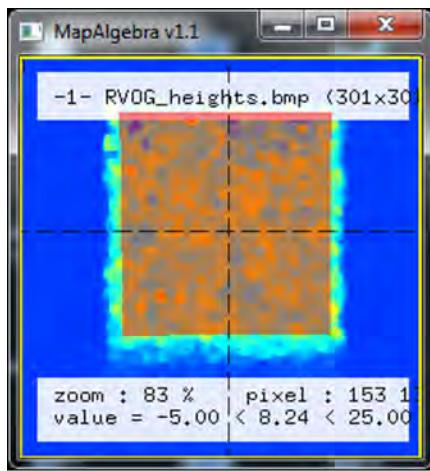


Do it Yourself:

Step 3 : Define the polygon area

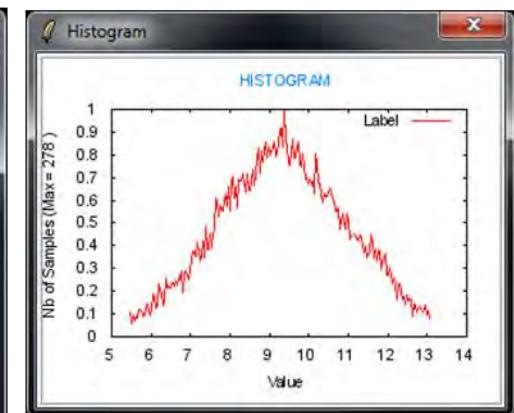
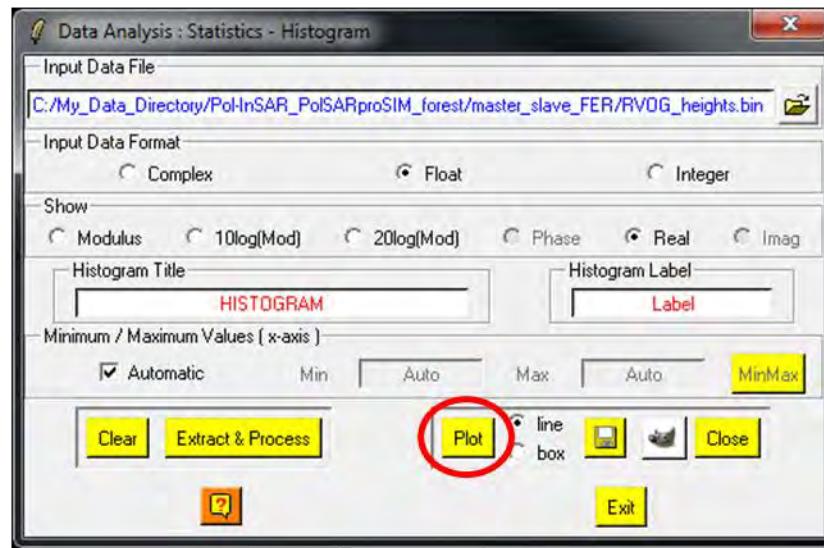
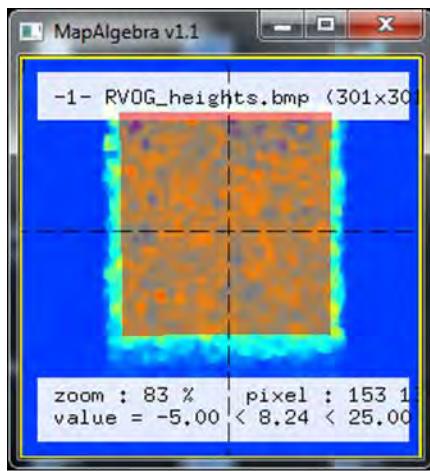
- 1) **Right button** : Select area
- 2) **Left button** : Draw the polygon
- 3) **Enter** : Close the polygon
- 4) **Right button** : Save configuration

Statistics: Histogram for the Vegetation Height



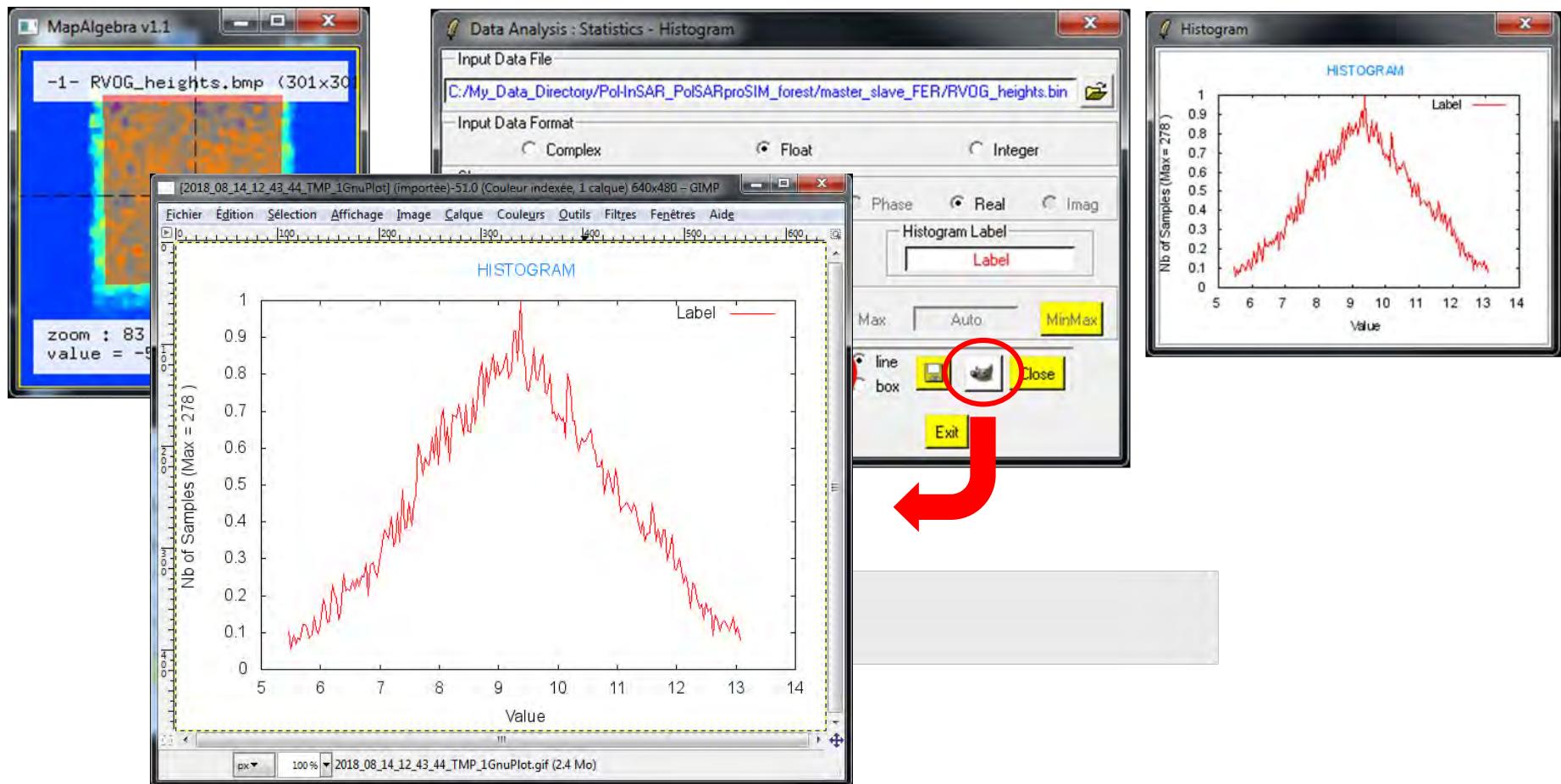
Do it Yourself:
Step 4 : Extract and Process

Statistics: Histogram for the Vegetation Height

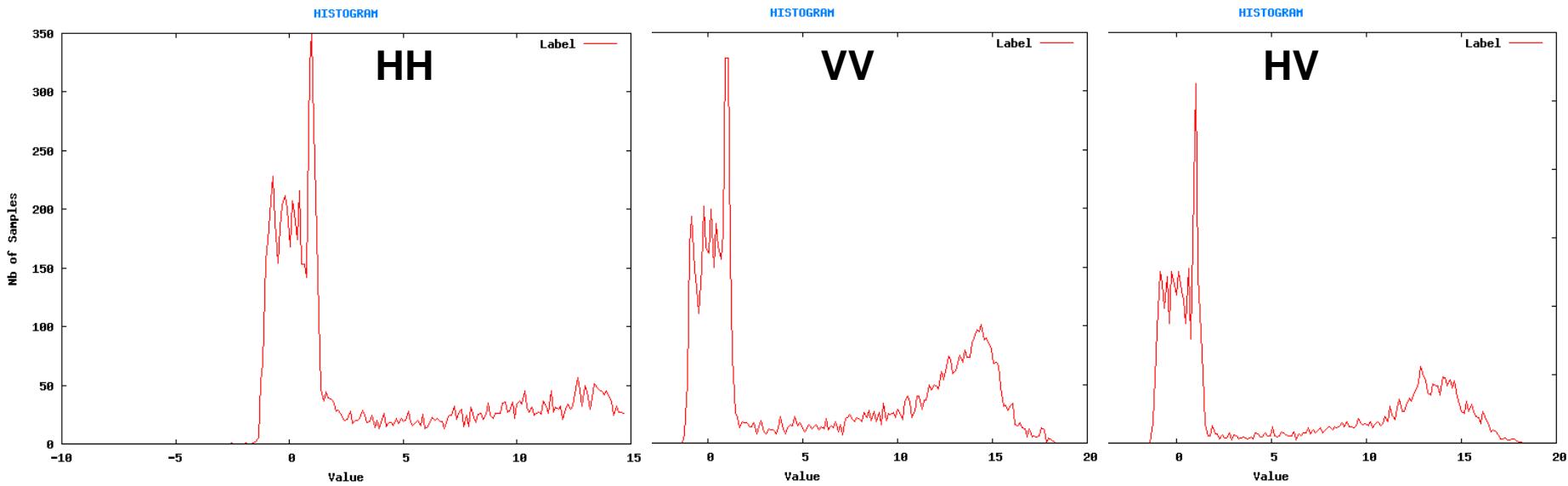
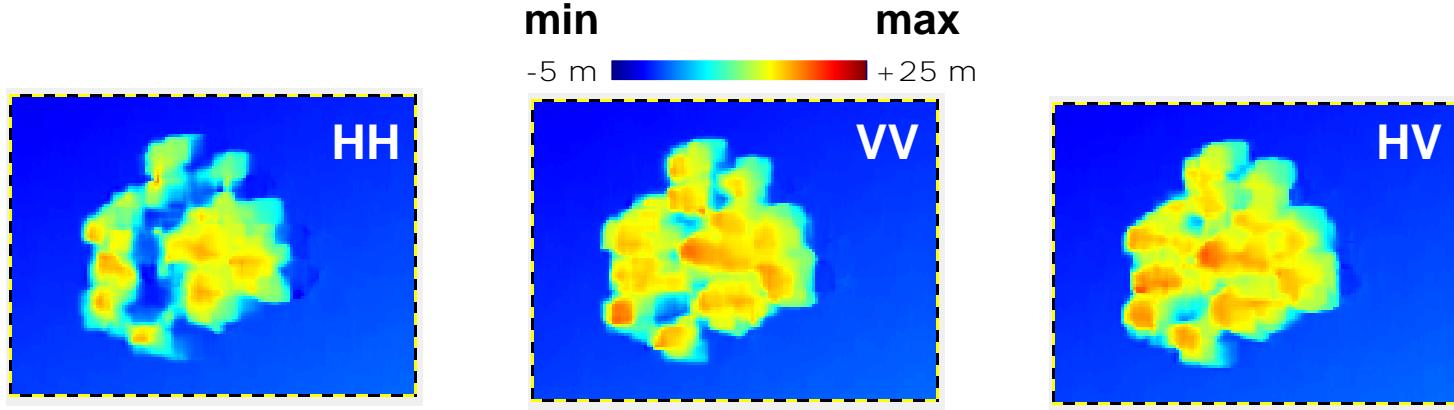


Do it Yourself:
Step 5 : Plot the histogram

Statistics: Histogram for the Vegetation Height



Phase Center Heights



primarily ground contribution

primarily volume contribution



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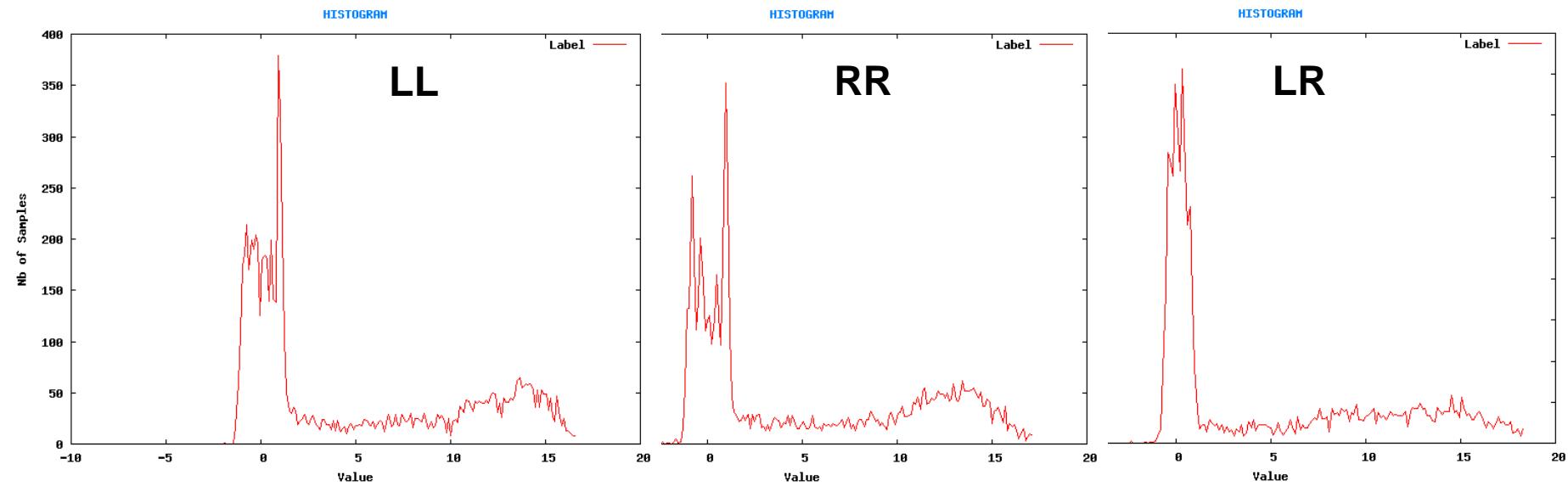
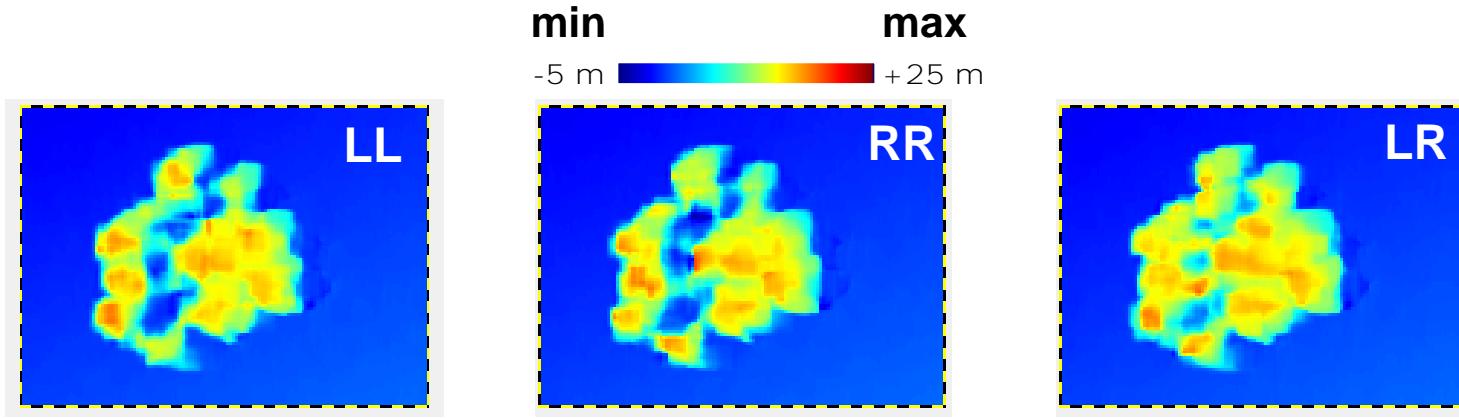
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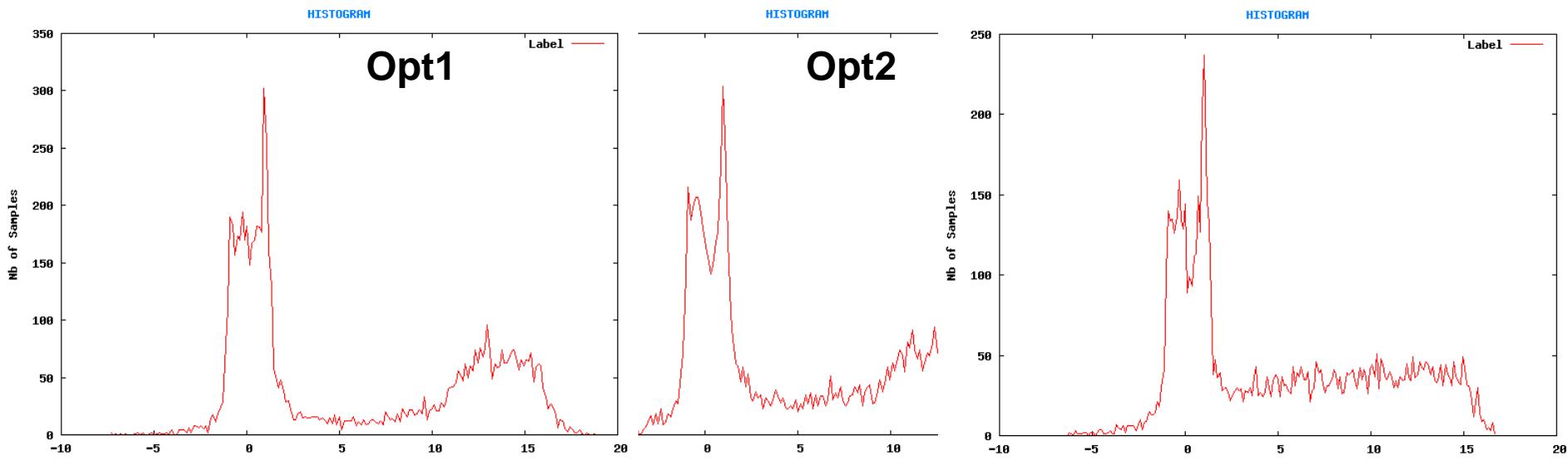
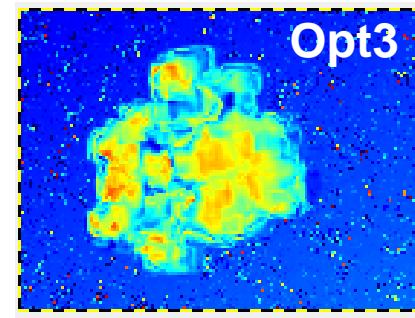
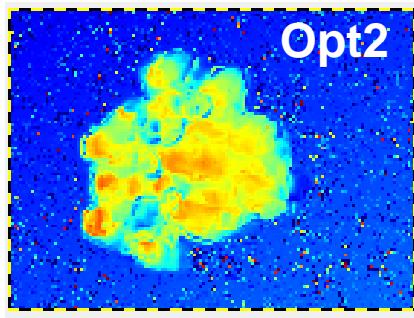
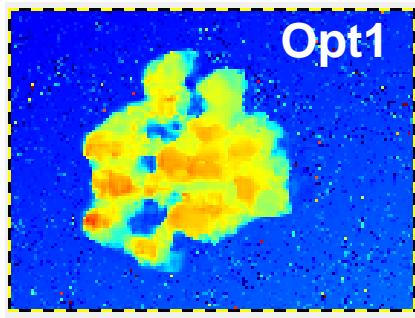
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Phase Center Heights



Phase Center Heights

min max
-5 m +25 m

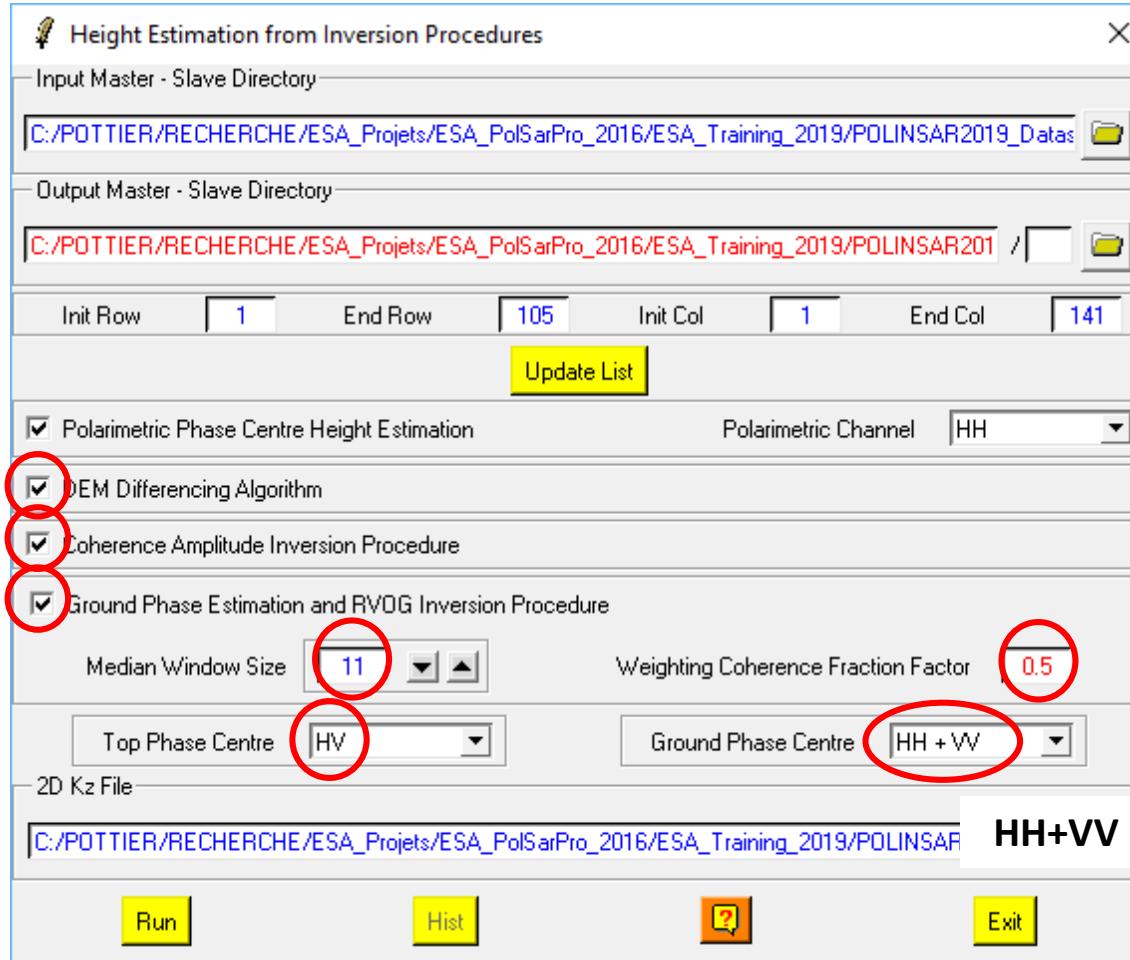


primarily ground contribution

primarily volume contribution

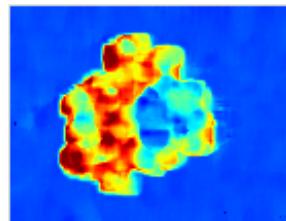
Do it yourself!

- Please generate the following products
 - Compare the different inversion models in terms of height inversion



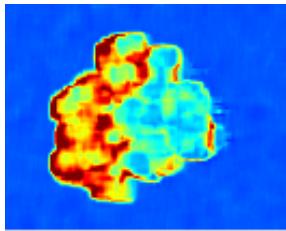
Height Inversion using different Methods

- RVoG Inversion



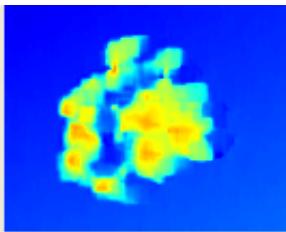
- 2-Layer inversion model (standard):
Parameter space: ground/volume ratio,
underlying topography, height,
extinction

- Coherence Height



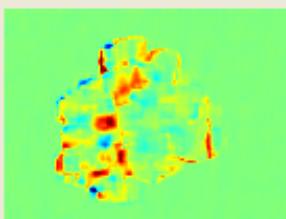
- Amplitude inversion, assumption only volume scattering is present, procedure uses coherence to RVoG model predictions (0 s) inversion according to a sinc function

- Phase Center Heights (HH)



- Based on the inversion of the scattering phase centers – simple conversion into height

- DEM Difference Heights



- Based on the difference of two polarisation channels (phase location between volume and ground)

Height Inversion using different Methods

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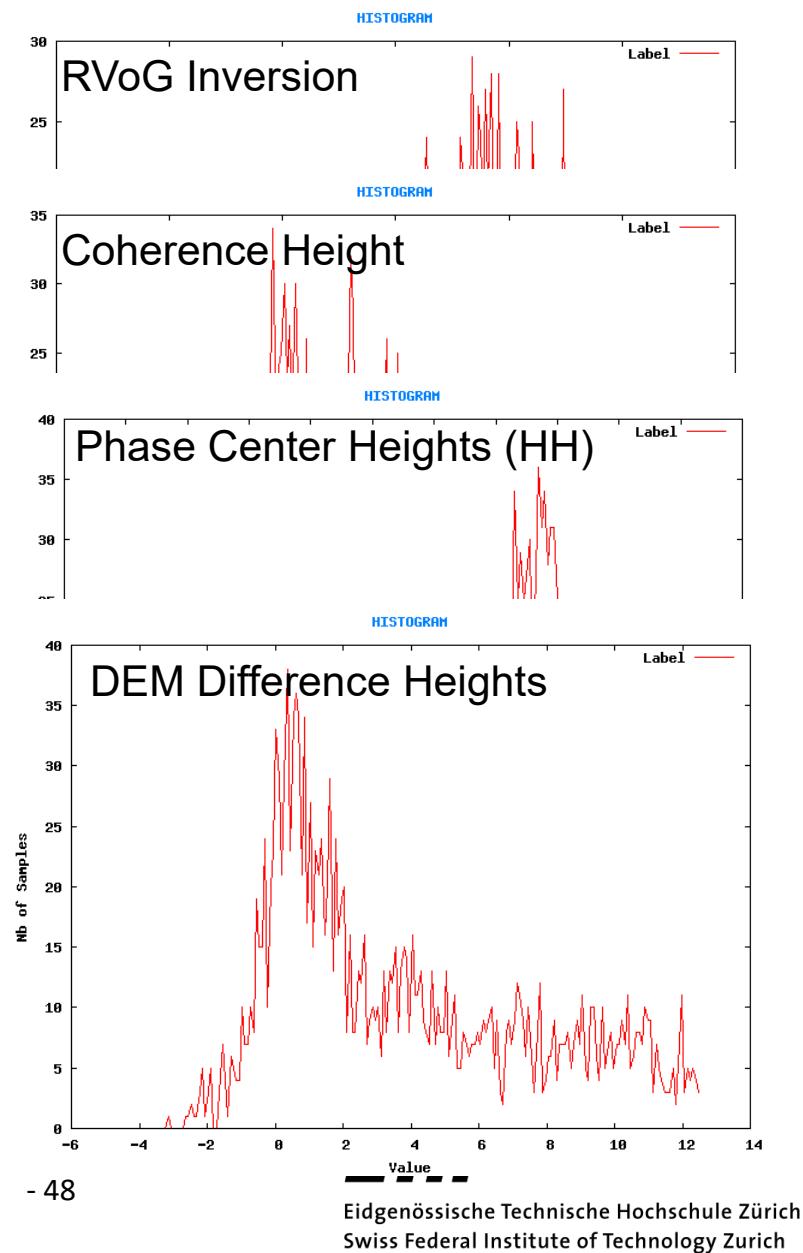
- Coherence Height



- Phase Center Heights (HH)



- DEM Difference Heights



Thanks for your participation !