

Improvement of deforestation detection algorithm using in JJ-FAST

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3. Summary

What is JJ-FAST?

- **"First SAR-based global"** early warning system for tropical forest
- **"Rainy season"** operation, not only dry season (PALSAR-2/ScanSAR)
- "77 countries" cover
- "Every ~1.5 month" monitoring
- "Free access" from PC or mobile phone

JJ-FAST history

	JFY 2016		JFY 2017		JFY 2018
	11	12-3	4-6	7-3	4-
Target	South America	South America Africa	South & middle America Africa, SE-Asia (77 countries)		
Deforestation Detection algorithm	v0 (Semi-automatic)		v1 (Automatic)		v2 (Automatic)
Num. of data used	2			10	15
Polarization	HV			HV, HH HH/HV	
Minimum detection size	5ha			3ha	

Project finish March, 2021?

Effectiveness of “L-band HH” polarization

Place : Brazilian Amazon (Sinop ~ Juina)

Date : Feb. 19 – March 2, 2018

Rainy season in Brazil, **6 – 16 days** after PALSAR-2 ScanSAR observation)

PALSAR-2 observation

Jan. 19, Feb. 2, 16 2018 for Path 126., Jan. 15, 28 Feb. 22 2018 for Path 125

Num. of site visited

12 site (**7 of 12** were sites detected by **HH pol.**)



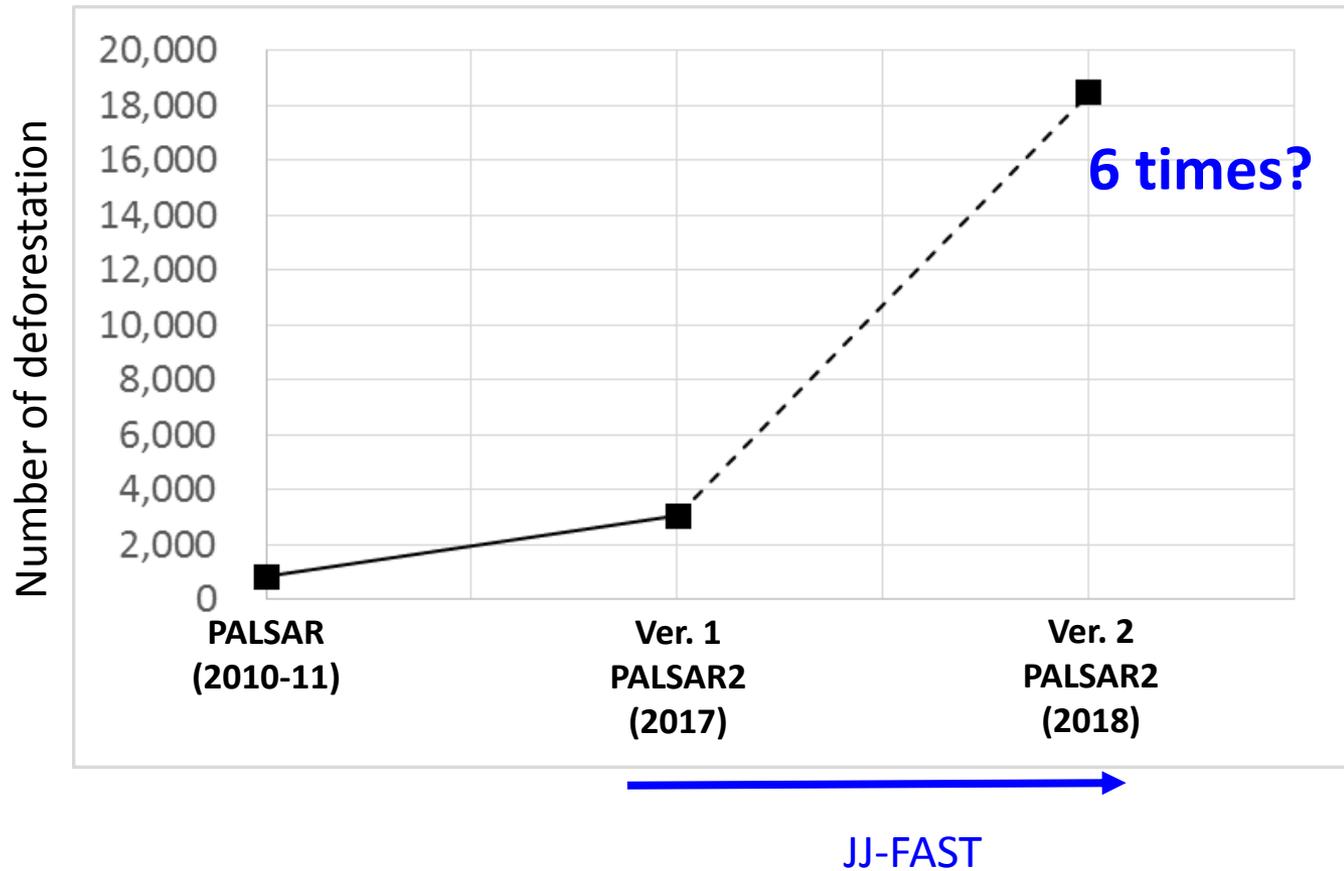
Effectiveness of “L-band HH” polarization



After the field experiment in 12 sites **in the rainy season**,

- ✓ **2,600 ha** assigned as illegal deforestation.
- ✓ Four farms were fined.
- ✓ The fines total R \$13.7 million (**US\$ 3,500,000!**)

Number of deforestation detection in Brazil



Number of deforestation detection are increasing

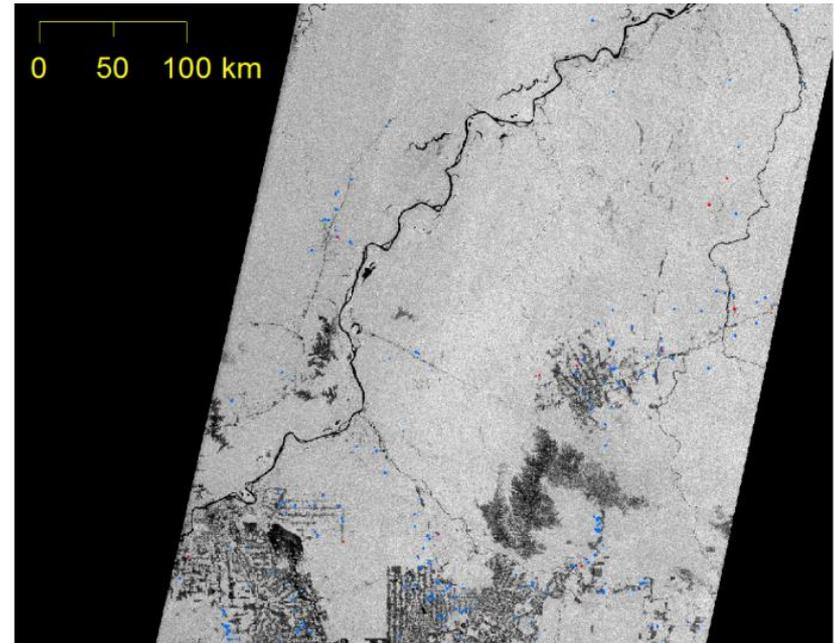
Two major problems

(Current deforestation detection algorithm in JJ-FAST)

1. Many un-detected deforestation sites left
2. Minimum detection size of 3ha is not enough

Site : Brazil/Porto Velho
Target term : Sept. 20-Nov. 10, 2018
Num. of data used : 11
Validation data : GLAD

Detected polygons	Correct polygons	Validation polygons	User's acc.	Prod.'s acc.
332	265	705	79.8	37.6

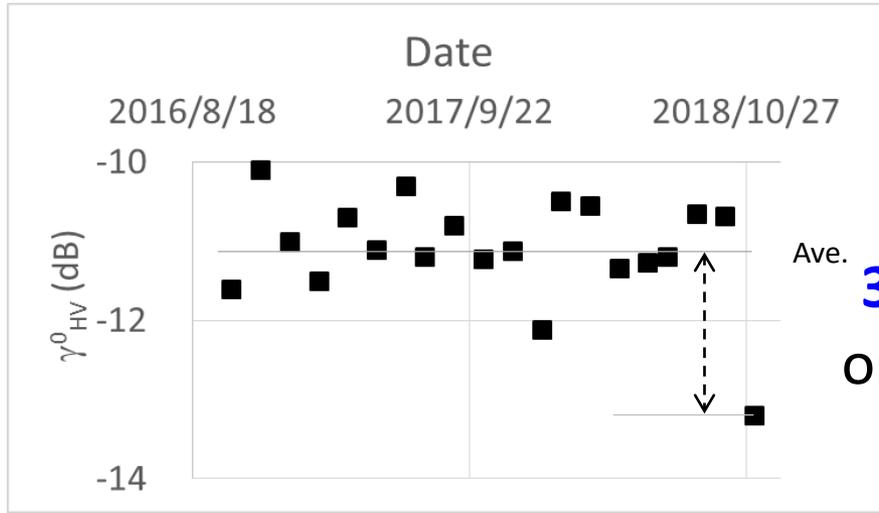


2 Improvement 1

Number of data used : 15 → 20
Smaller threshold level.

15 → 20 data

HV pol.



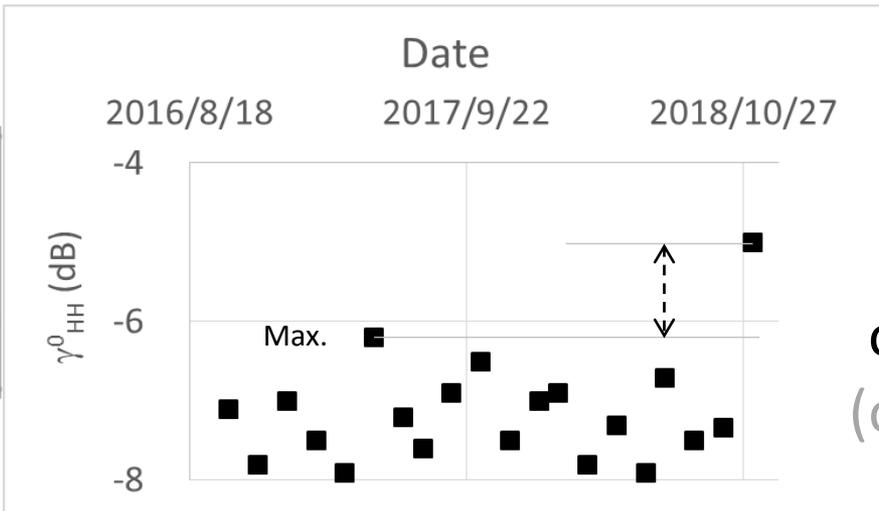
3.0 dB?
or 2.0 σ ?



2.5 dB?
or 2.0 σ ?

HH pol.

(HH/HV ratio)



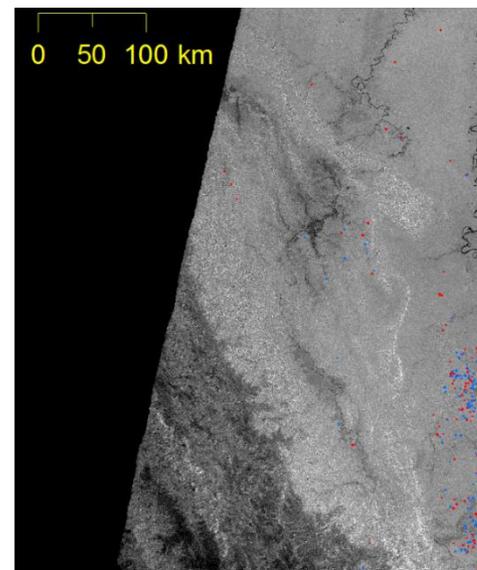
2.0 dB?
or 2.0 σ ?
(or 3.0 σ ?)



1.0 dB?
or 2.0 σ ?
(or 2.5 σ ?)

Accuracy estimation

Place : Pucallpa/Peru
 Target term : Sept. 27-Nov. 8, 2018
 Num. of data used : 15, 20
 Validation data : GLAD & visual inspection



 Current
 Suggested

	Pol.	Threshold values		15data			20data		
		dB	σ	Detected polygons	Correct polygons	user's acc.	Detected polygons	Correct polygons	user's acc.
Current algorithm	All			129	110	85	110	99	90
	HV_mean	3	2	0	0	nan	0	0	nan
	HH	2	2	120	103	86	103	92	89
	HH/HV	2	3	15	12	80	13	12	92
Suggested algorithm	All			273	209	77	232	197	85
	All (Visual inspection)						232	211	91
	HV_mean	2.5	2	0	0	nan	0	0	nan
	HH	1	2	254	194	76	211	181	86
	HH/HV	1	2.5	35	25	71	35	26	74

User's accuracies: 85%→85%, Correct polygons 1.8 times

2. Improvement 1

Number of data used : 15 → 20

Smaller threshold level.

User's accuracies : Almost same

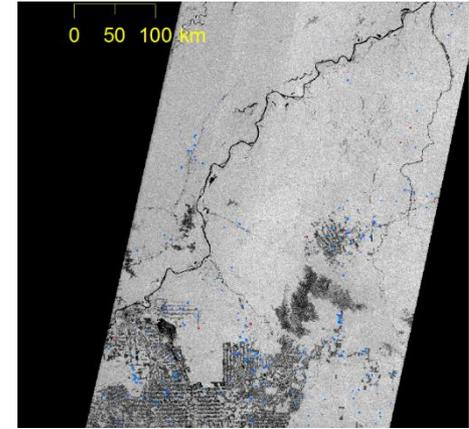
Correct polygons : 1.3~2 times

Sites	Num. of data used	User's accuracies	Correct polygons
Peru /West Pucallpa	15 → 20	85 → 85(91)	110 → 197 (1.8)
Brazil/ Porto Velho	11 → 11	80 → 71(77)	265 → 536 (2.0)
Brazil/ Sinop 1	15 → 20	65 → 61(95)	68 → 88 (1.3)
Brazil/ Sinop 2	15 → 20	59 → 55(86)	103 → 147 (1.4)
Brazil/ Sinop 3	15 → 20	54 → 59(70)	91 → 144 (1.6)
Cambodia	15 → 20	37 → 45(73)	33 → 42 (1.3)
Africa/Mozambique	15 → 15	21 → 17(100)	11 → 14 (1.3)

() Estimated by visual inspection

() Increase rate

Brazil/Porto Velho

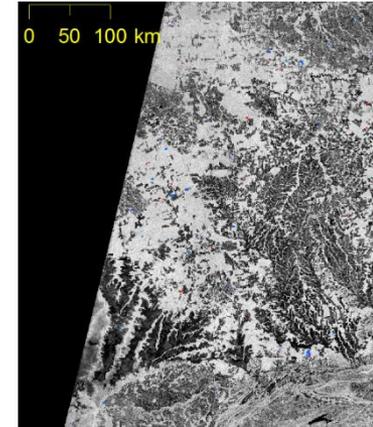


Current

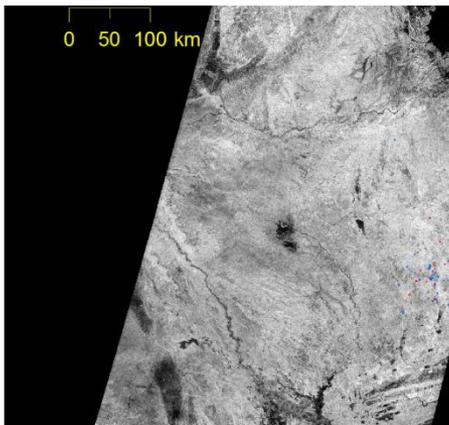


Suggested

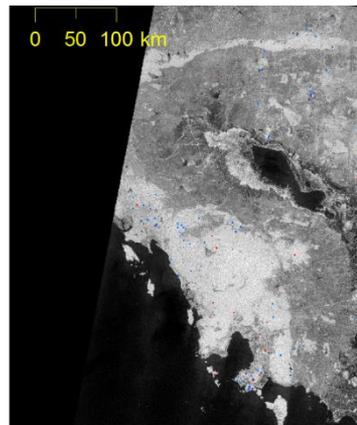
Brazil/Sinop 1



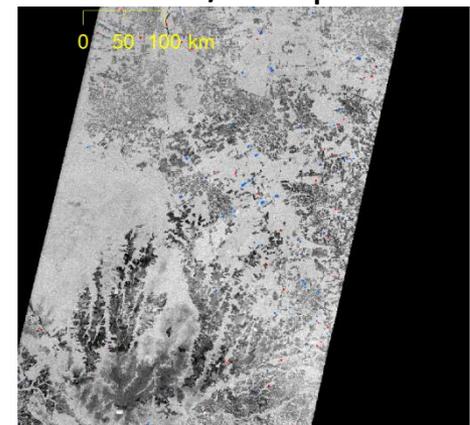
Mozambique



Cambodia



Brazil/Sinop 2



2. Improvement 2

Image resolution : 50m → 25m

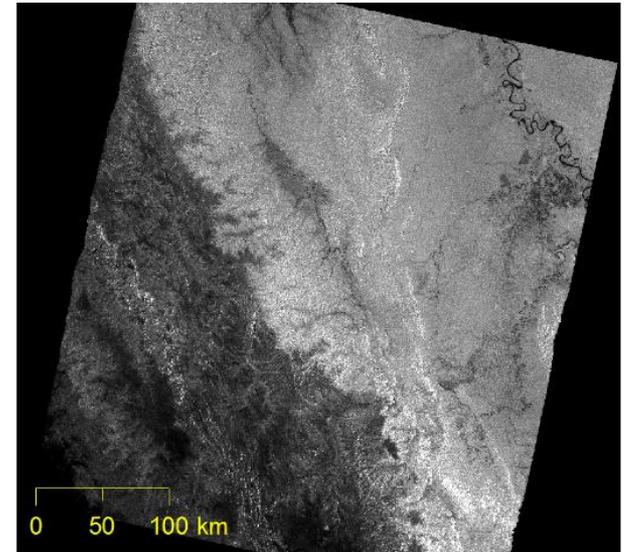
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Place : Peru (West Pucallpa)

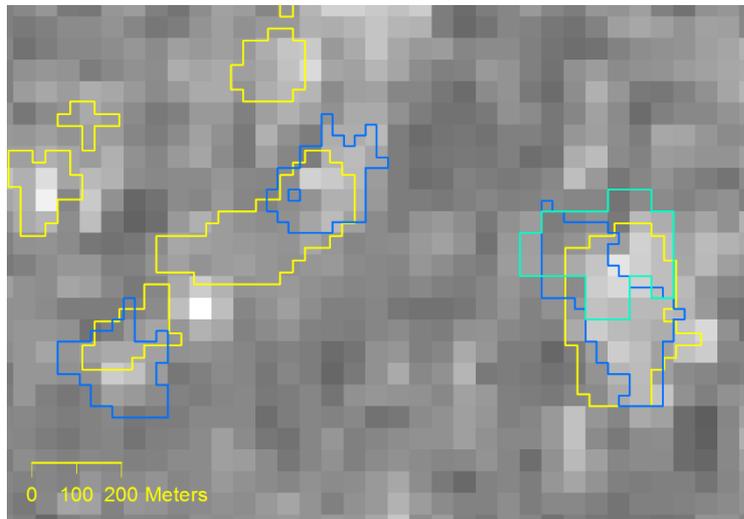
Num. of data used : **26**

Validation data : GLAD

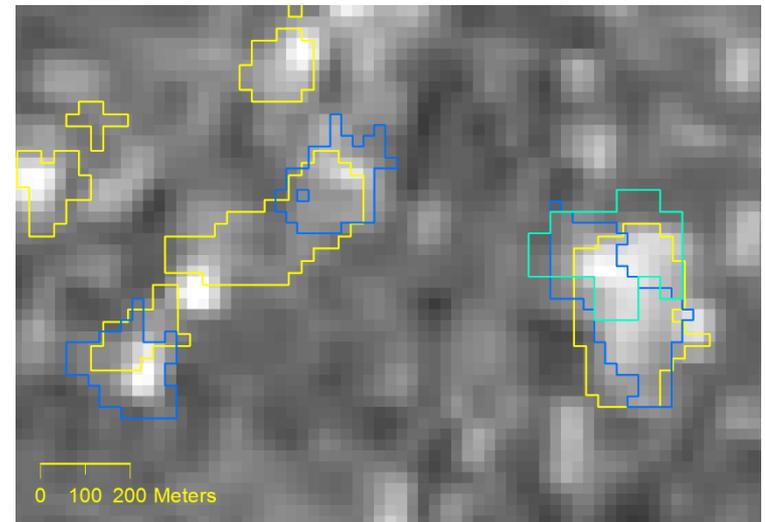
Processing : Specan (25m, 50m),
Full aperture (25m)
(Current: Specan 50m)



Specan 50m



Specan 25m



 Specan(50m)  Specan(25m)  GLAD

Accuracy estimation

Minimum detection size					3 ha			1 ha		
Algorithm	Num. of Data used	Processing	Spatial resolution	Polari.	Num. of polygons		user's acc.	Num. of polygons		user's acc.
					detected	Correct		detected	Correct	
Current	15data	Specan	50m	All	196	161	82	354	247	70
				HV	2	1	50	7	3	43
				HH	173	146	84	286	210	73
				HH/HV	39	30	77	102	70	69
Suggested	26data	Specan	25m	All	445	375	84	707	563	80
				HV	2	1	50	7	6	86
				HH	419	358	85	648	527	81
				HH/HV	70	59	84	156	121	78



Current algorithm

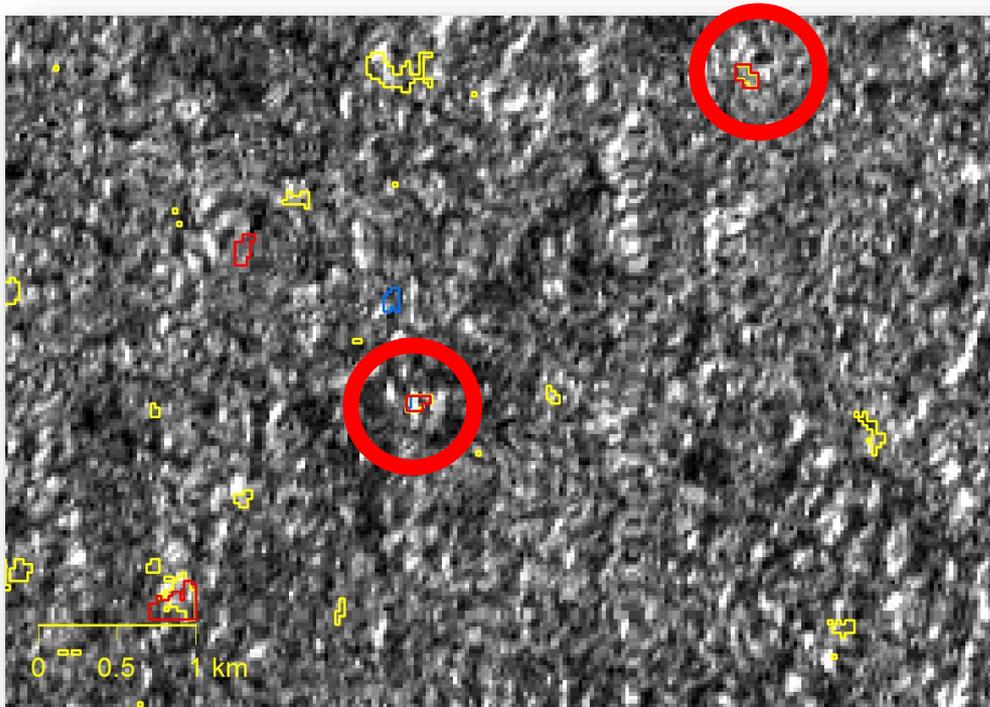
Specan(25m) + 26 data

Correct polygons : **More than 2** times for 3ha

More than 3 times for 1ha

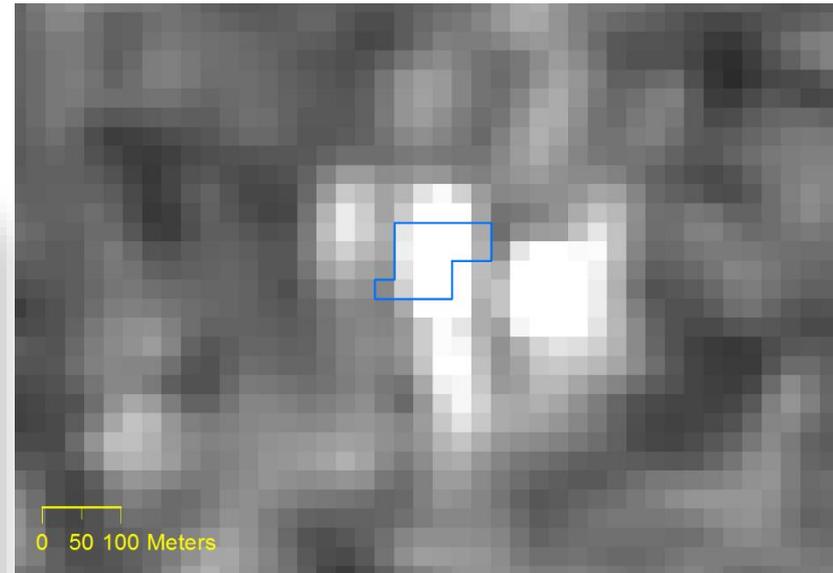
User's accuracies : almost same(1ha, 3ha)

Example for ~1ha detection



-  Specan(50m)
-  Specan(25m)
-  Full Aperture(25m)
-  GLAD

Nov. 8, 2018



Nov. 12, 2018

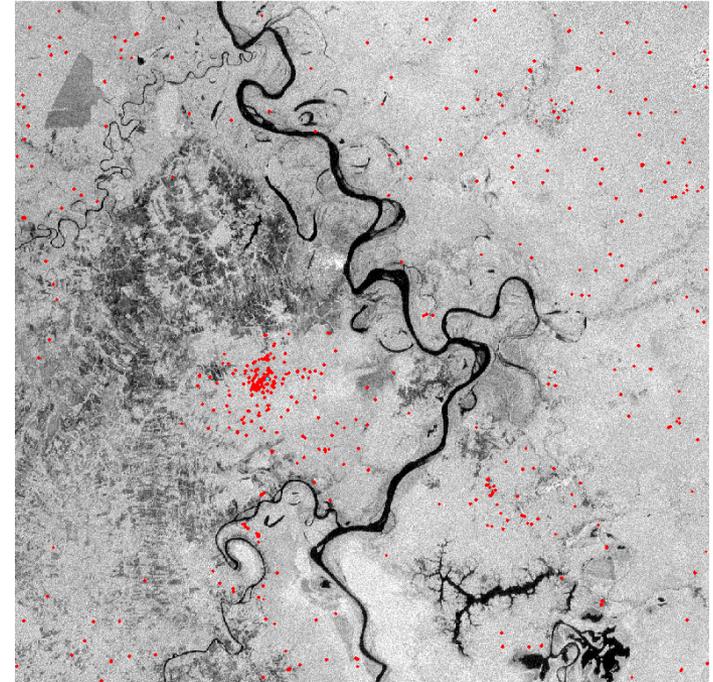


-  Specan(25m)
-  GLAD

2 Improvement 3

Process unit : A segmented polygon → A pixel

Place : Pucallpa/Peru
Target term : Oct. 21-Dec. 2, 2017
Num. of data used : 6



Algorithm	Process unit	Num. of polygons		user's acc. (%)
		Detected	correct	
JJ-FAST	Polygon	51	21	41.2
	Pixel	447	83	18.6
Dr. Nagatani	Pixel	252	68	27.0

Minimum detection
Size 1 ha

Under developing

3. Summary

1. JJ-FAST current status
 - ✓ Effectiveness of “L-band HH” polarization
 - ✓ Deforestation detection number are increasing from PALSAR.
 - ✓ **Two major problems**
 1. Many un-detected deforestation sites left
 2. Minimum detection size of 3ha is not enough
2. Improvement of deforestation detection algorithm
 - a. Number of data used : 15 → 20, Smaller threshold level.
 - Correct polygons : **1.3~2 times**
 - User's accuracies : Almost same
 - b. Image resolution : 50m → 25m
 - Correct polygons : **More than 2 times for 3ha**
More than 3 times for 1ha
 - User's accuracies : Almost same(1ha, 3ha)
 - c. Process unit : A segmented polygon → A pixel

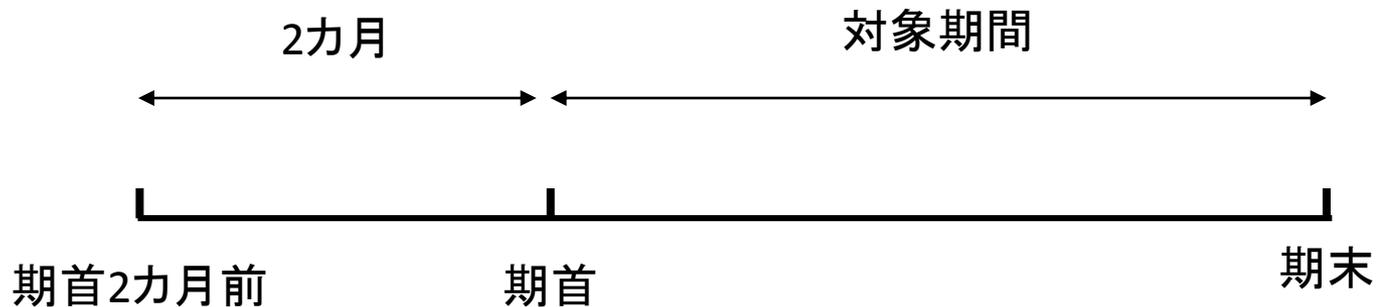
Under developing

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以下の2ケースも正解とする

ケース1) 検証データで、期首の2か月前までに伐採があった場合



ケース2) 検出された場所が、検証データで、3ha以下で検出されたポリゴンとオーバーラップした場合

