

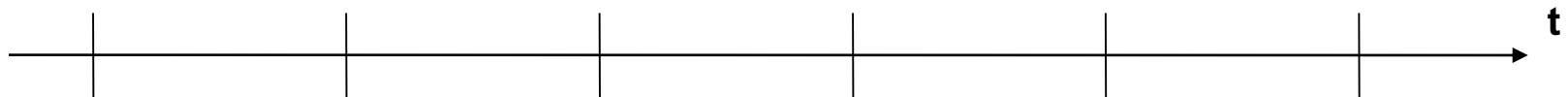
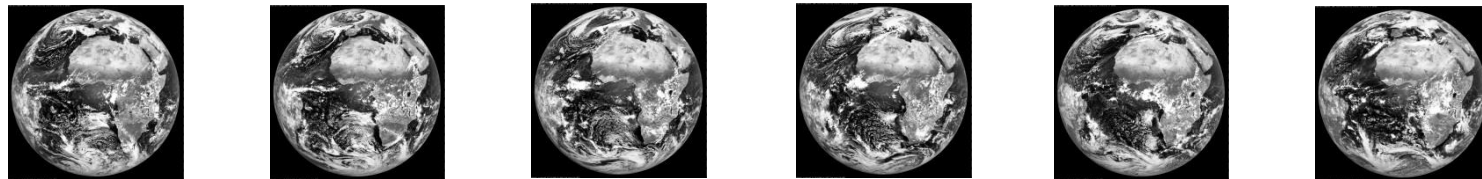
# A swap randomization approach for mining motion field time series over the Argentière glacier

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# Previous work

- Satellite Image Time Series (SITS) can be mined using Grouped Frequent Sequential patterns (GFS-patterns) [Julea I1].
  - Unsupervised techniques implemented at the pixel level
  - GFS-patterns can be numerous
- End users can be guided towards the most promising GFS-patterns thanks to a swap randomization ranking method [Méger I2].
  - The stability of the ranking method w.r.t the number of swaps has been evidenced for a single randomization seed.
  - The focus was on patterns with occurrences strongly affected by a randomization of the SITS.

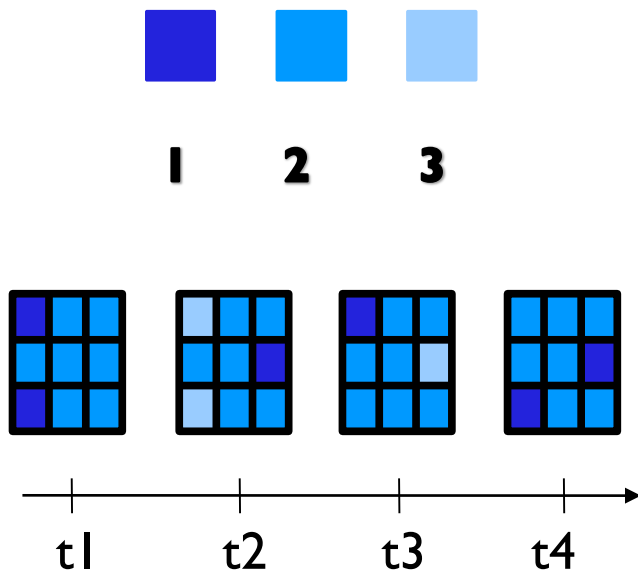


# Proposal

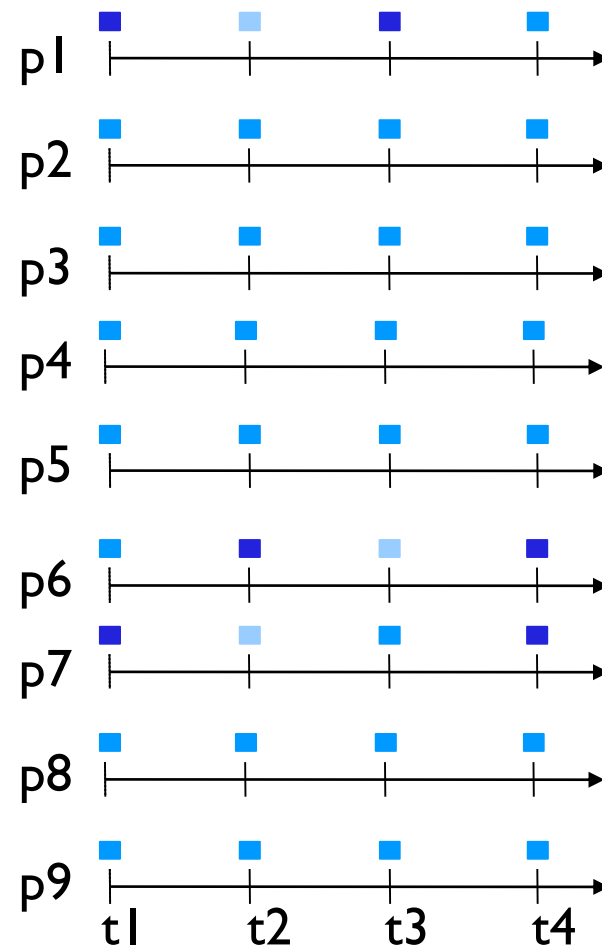
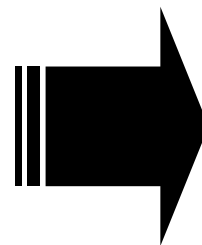
- › Investigating the extraction and ranking of GFS-patterns on a **Displacement Field Time Series (DFTS)** obtained by terrestrial photogrammetry.
- › Assessing the stability of the swap randomization ranking method **for multiple randomizations** of the DFTS.
- › Extending the focus on GFS-patterns with occurrences **destroyed OR maintained** by randomization.

# SITS and base of sequences

Pixel values are described using *symbols* (e.g., quantization, clustering).



p1	p2	p3
p4	p5	p6
p7	p8	p9



# Frequent sequential patterns

- Model: sequential patterns



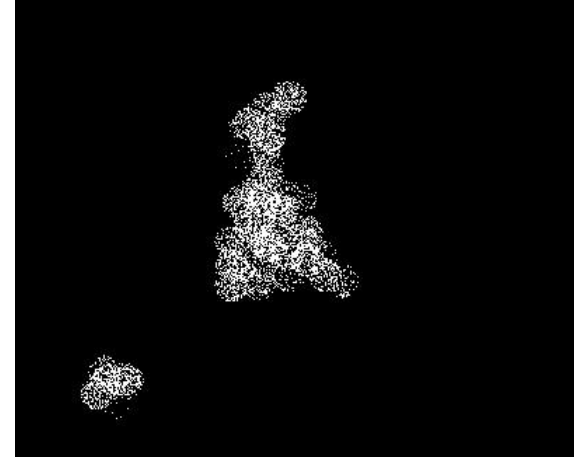
- Measure: **support**, i.e., the number of pixels affected by a sub-evolution.
- Sequential patterns covering at least  $\sigma$  pixels are **frequent sequential patterns**.
- $\sigma$ , the **minimum support**, is used to **prune the search space**.

# Towards spatiality

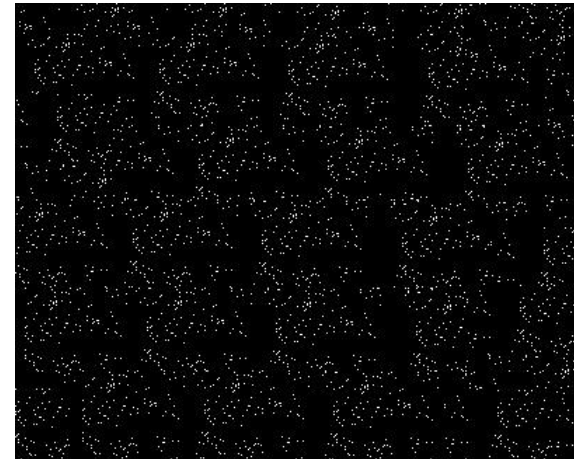
$\sigma$  is a minimum surface



$1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$   
support  $< \sigma$



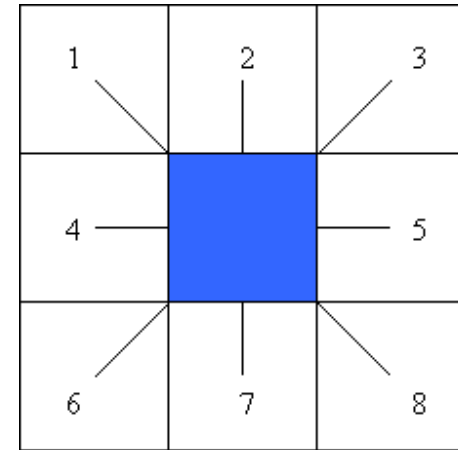
$1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1$   
support  $\geq \sigma$



$3 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1$   
support  $\geq \sigma$

# Incorporating spatiality: the GFS-patterns

- Measure: **the average connectivity (AC)** of evolution  $\alpha$ , i.e. the average number of pixels covered by  $\alpha$  in the 8-neighborhood



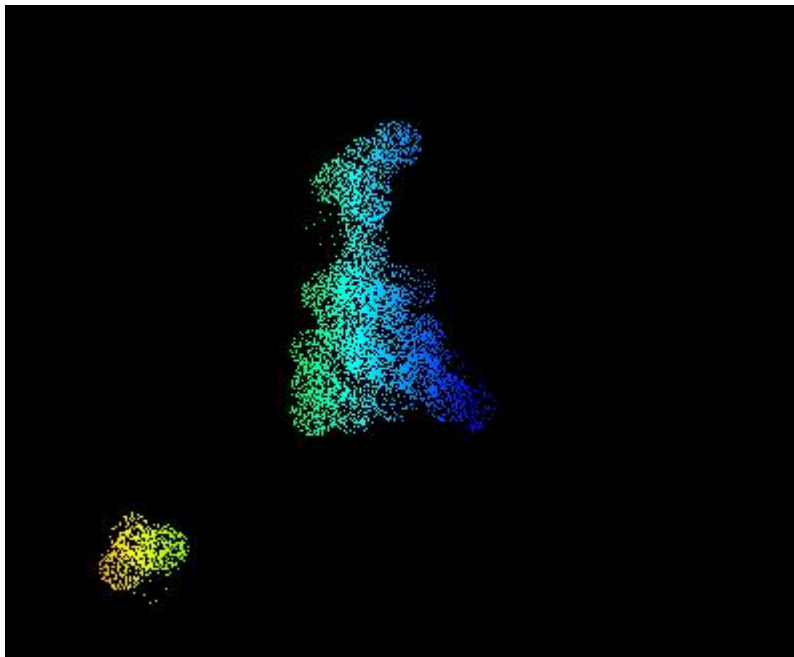
- Frequent sequential patterns covering pixels that are sufficiently connected ( $AC(\alpha) \geq \kappa$ ) are **Grouped Frequent Sequential patterns (GFS-patterns)**.
- $\kappa$  is the **minimum average connectivity** and is also used to **prune the search space**.

# Maximal GFS-Patterns

- Definition : A **maximal GFS pattern** has the property of not being a sub-pattern of any other of the extracted GFS patterns.
- (2,1) and (2,2) are sub-patterns of (2,1,2) therefore (2,1,2) is the only maximal GFS pattern of the set  $\{(2,1),(2,2),(2,1,2)\}$ .
- Selecting maximal patterns enables to focus on the **most specific evolutions**.
- Experiments on an optical Landsat SITS over New Caledonia : 15620 GFS-Patterns ; 295 maximal GFS-Patterns.



# SpatioTemporal Localization maps (STL-maps)



$1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 2$

# Swap randomization for symbolic matrices

same  
occurences?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

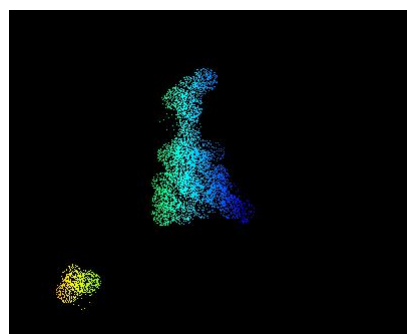
- A base of sequences expressing SITS can be expressed as a symbolic matrix: row  $\Leftrightarrow$  pixel, column  $\Leftrightarrow$  date
- To assess GFS-patterns obtained from symbolic matrices representing a SITS.
- The spatiotemporal nature of the observed phenomena must be preserved.

# Swap randomization for symbolic matrices

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{3} & \underline{2} \\ 1 & 1 \\ \underline{2} & \underline{3} \end{pmatrix}, C' = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{2} & \underline{3} \\ 1 & 1 \\ \underline{3} & \underline{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Pairs of elements sharing the same symbol are chosen at **random**.
- If a pair  $B(i,j) = B(k,l) = \alpha$  and if  $B(k,j) = B(i,l) = \beta$  ( $\alpha \neq \beta$ ) then  $\alpha$ 's and  $\beta$ 's are swapped.
- Column and row **margins** are **maintained** while **GFS-patterns occurrences** are affected.
- **Failed swap attempts** are counted as **self-loops** to explore **equiprobable matrices**.

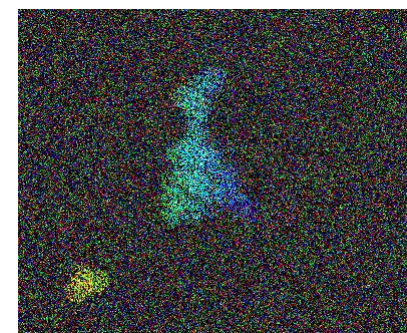
# Normalized Mutual Information (NMI)



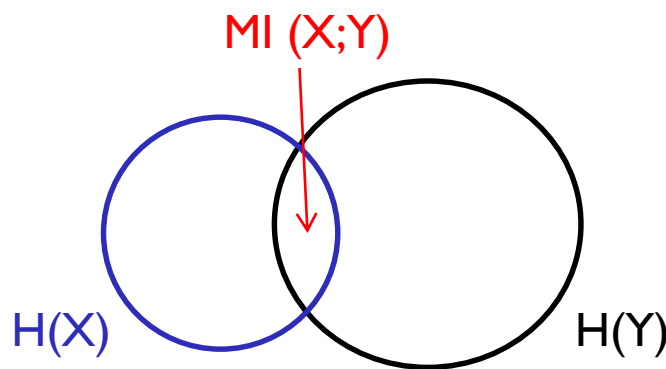
STL-map  
original SITS

How similar?

$X$   $\longleftrightarrow$   $Y$



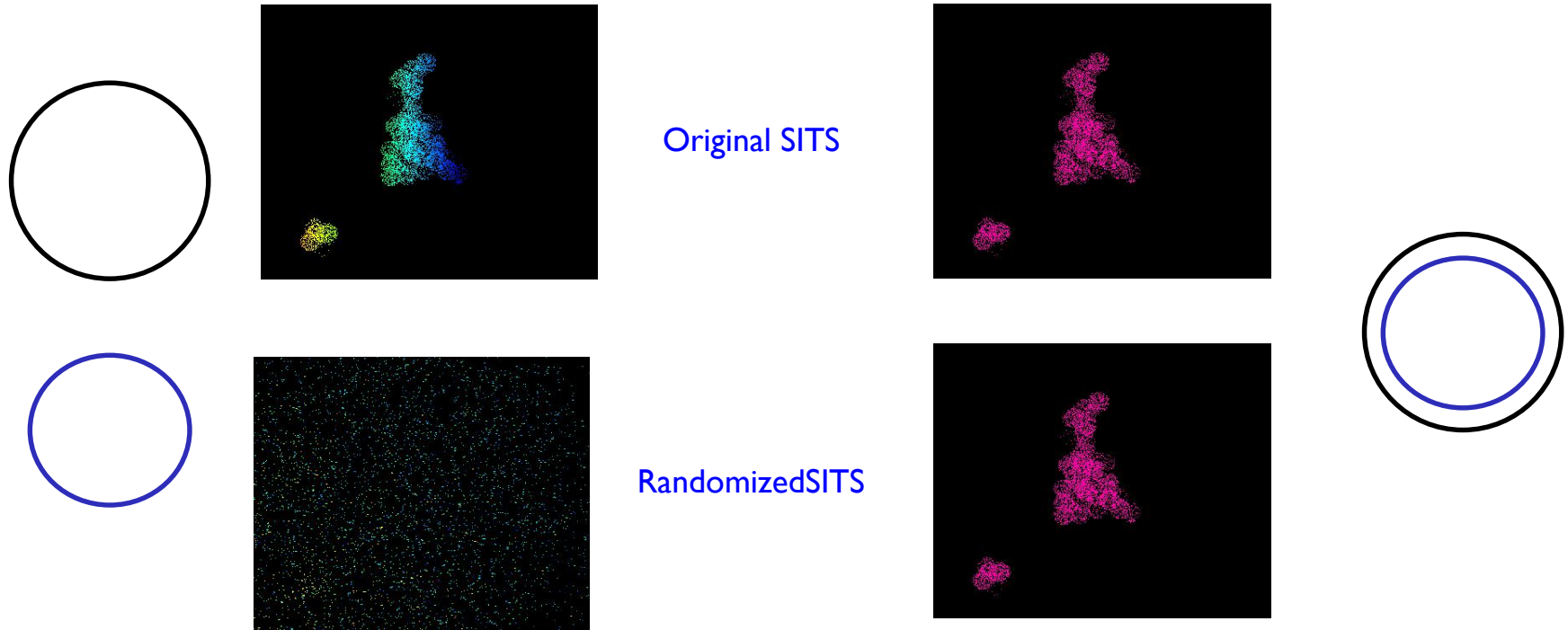
STL-map  
swap-randomized SITS



$$NMI(X;Y) = \frac{\sum_{x,y \in \Omega^2} P(x,y) \log \frac{P(x,y)}{P(x)P(y)}}{\min(H(X), H(Y))}$$

$$H(X) = - \sum_{x \in \Omega} P(x) \log P(x),$$

# NMI-based ranking



Destroyed by randomization

Hardly altered by randomization



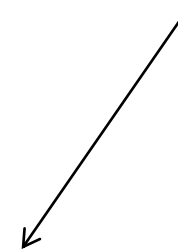
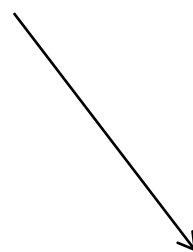
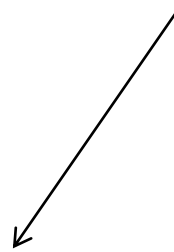
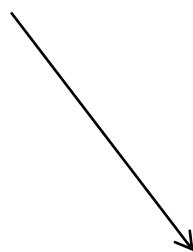
**NMI**

2 → 1 → 3

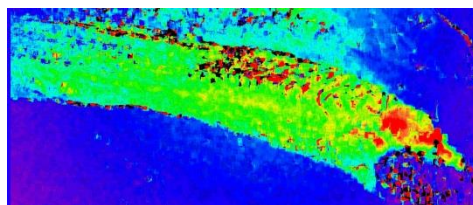
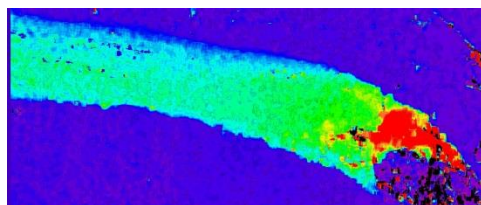
2 → 2 → 2 → 2 → 2 → 2

# Monitoring of the Argentière glacier

- 21 images of the glacier automatically acquired every 2 days from September to November 2013.
- Optical camera Leica, DMC-LX, 10 mega-pixels.



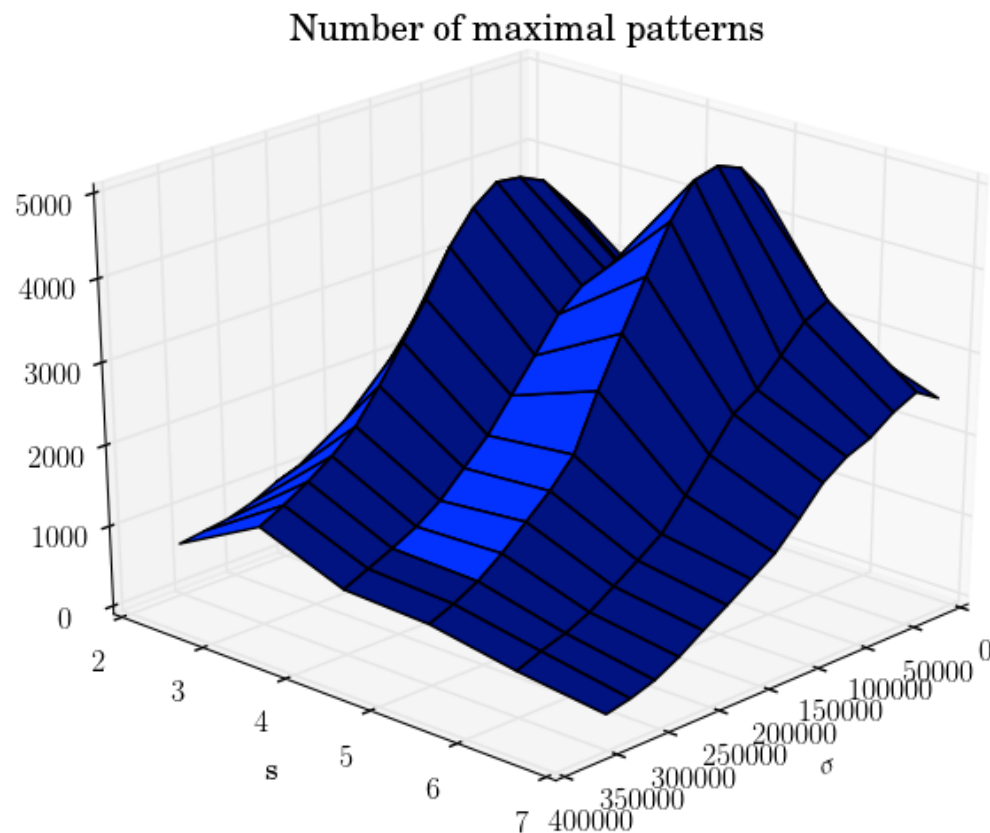
Co-registration and  
dense correlation  
(maximum-likelihood)



- 20 displacement fields in pixels (horizontal component). Size : 1675\*700 pixels.

# Setting the quantization and extraction parameters

- $k$  set to 5 (standard setting)
- $\sigma$  ranging in [2%;20%]
- $s$  ranging in [2;7]
- Multiple quantization and extraction in order to maximize the number of maximal GFS-Patterns.
- Maximum of 4900 maximal GFS-patterns for  $s=5$  and  $\sigma=6\%$  (70350 pixels)

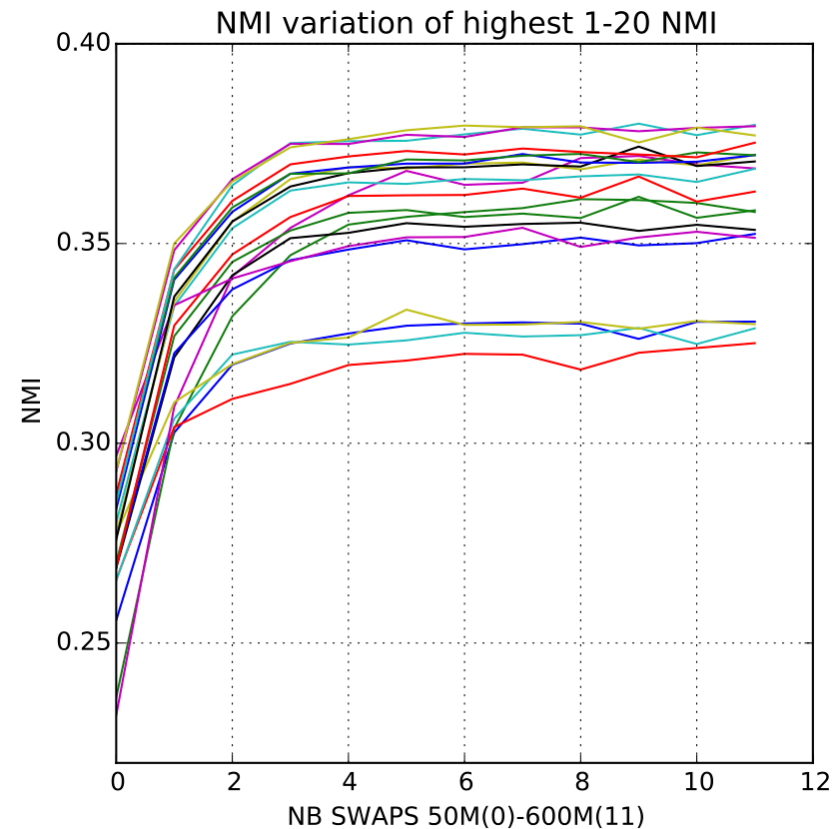
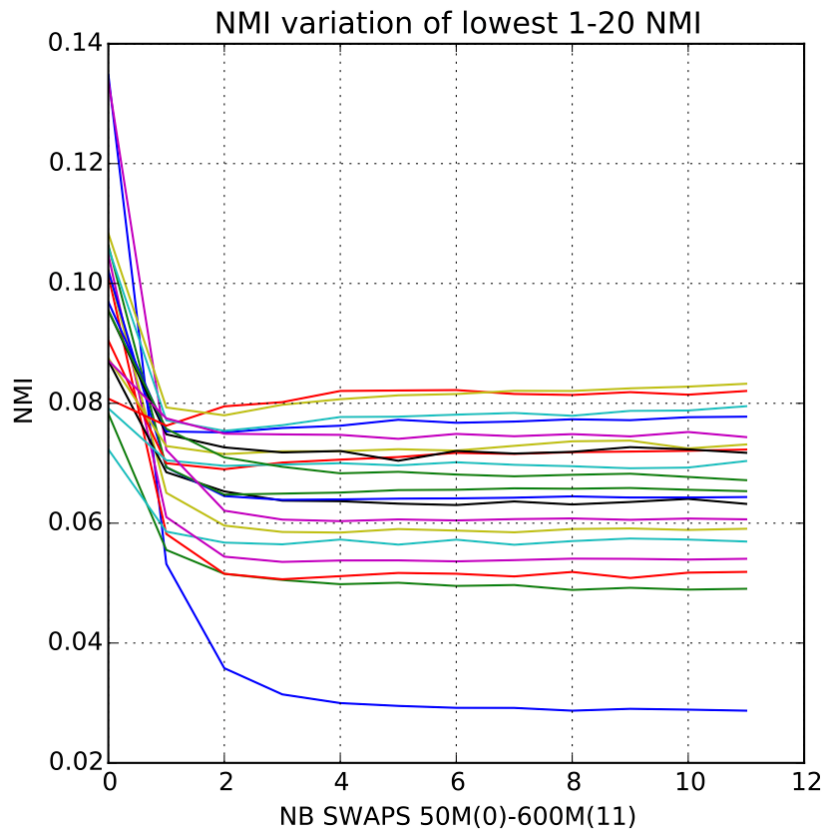


# GFS-pattern extraction

- prototype: C/Python
- platform : a single core on 2.9 GHz Intel Core i7
- Quantization with 5 symbols (1,2 : small negative displacements ; 3,4,5 small to large positive displacements)
- $\sigma = 70350$  (6%, set w.r.t. the maximum number of maximal patterns)
- $k = 5$
- Number of GFS-patterns: 19234
- Number of **maximal** GFS-patterns: 4900
- space/time requirements: 2,93 GB, 84 minutes.

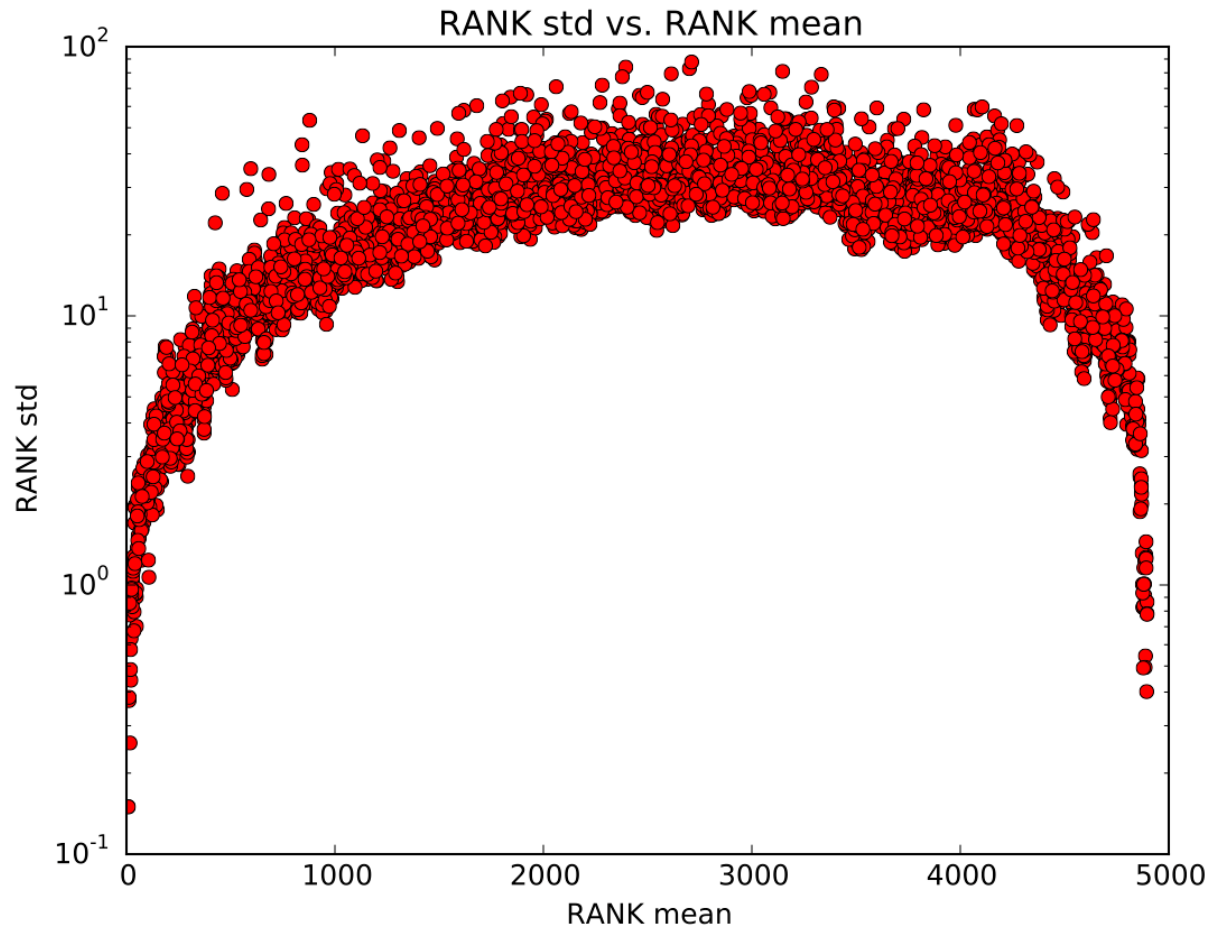


# Setting the number of swap attempts



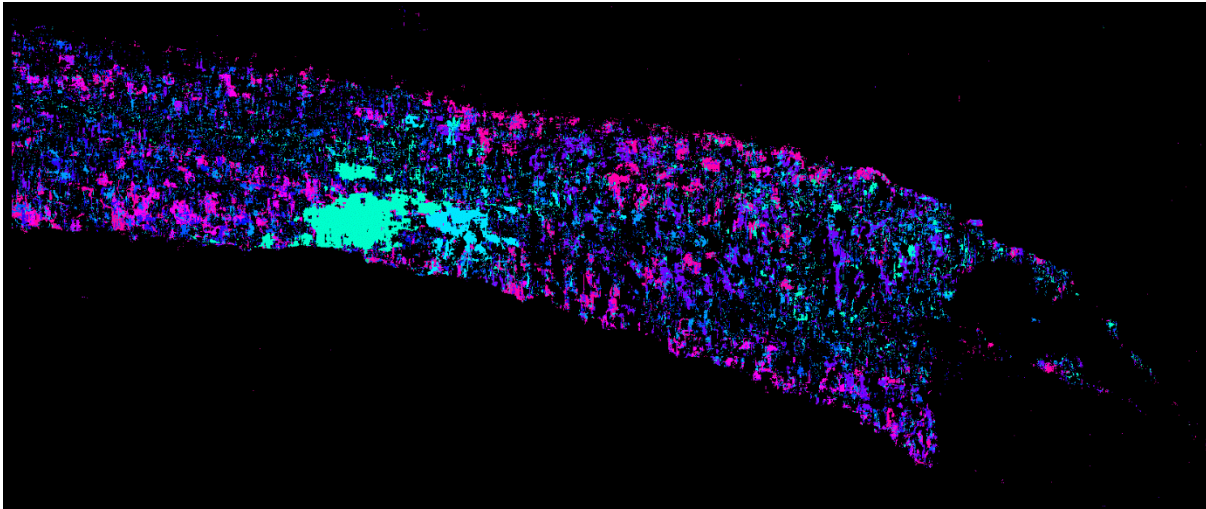
- Reference is 500M of swap attempts

# Ranking stability



.The ranking experiment has been repeated 1000 times.

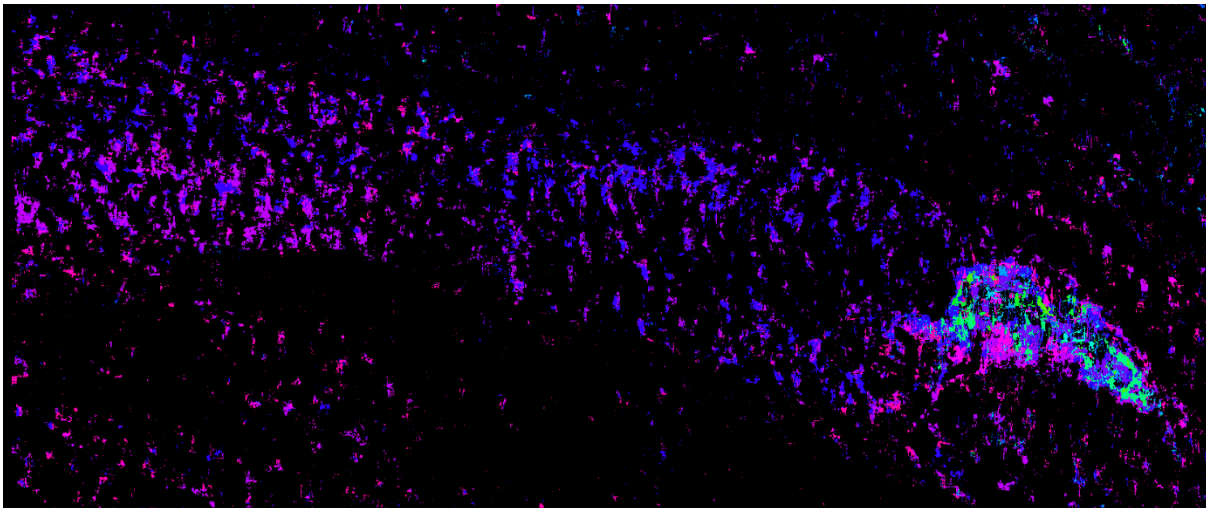
# Qualitative results



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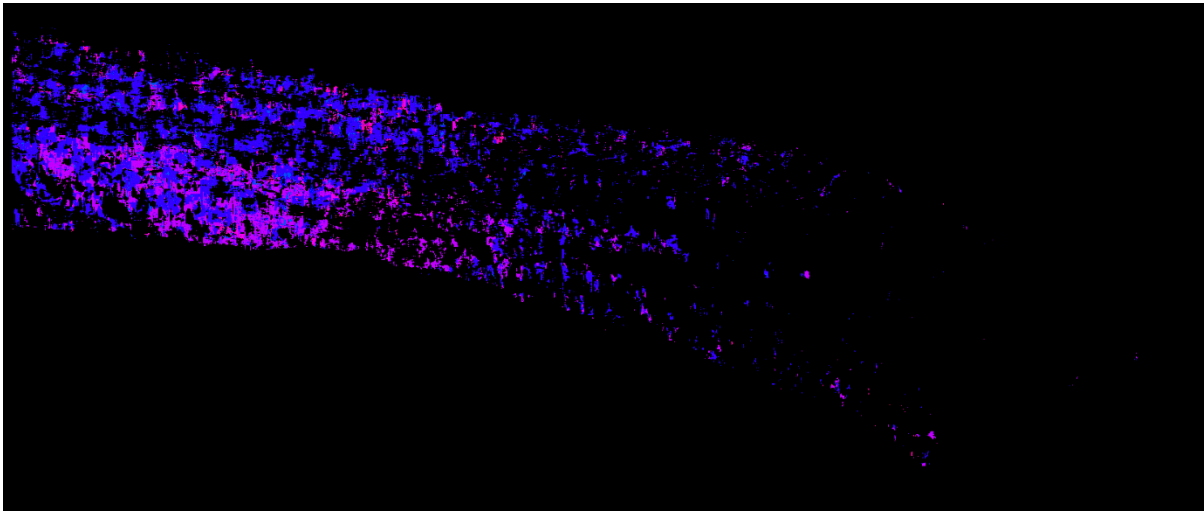


.14<sup>th</sup> lowest NMI pattern  
5,4,4,4,4,4,2

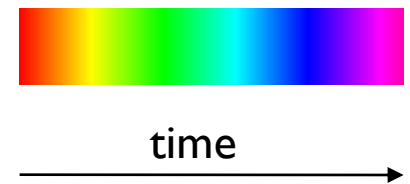


.15<sup>th</sup> lowest NMI pattern  
5,5,5,5,5,5,4

# Qualitative results



.12<sup>th</sup> highest NMI pattern  
4,4,4,4,4,3,4,4,1,5,1,4

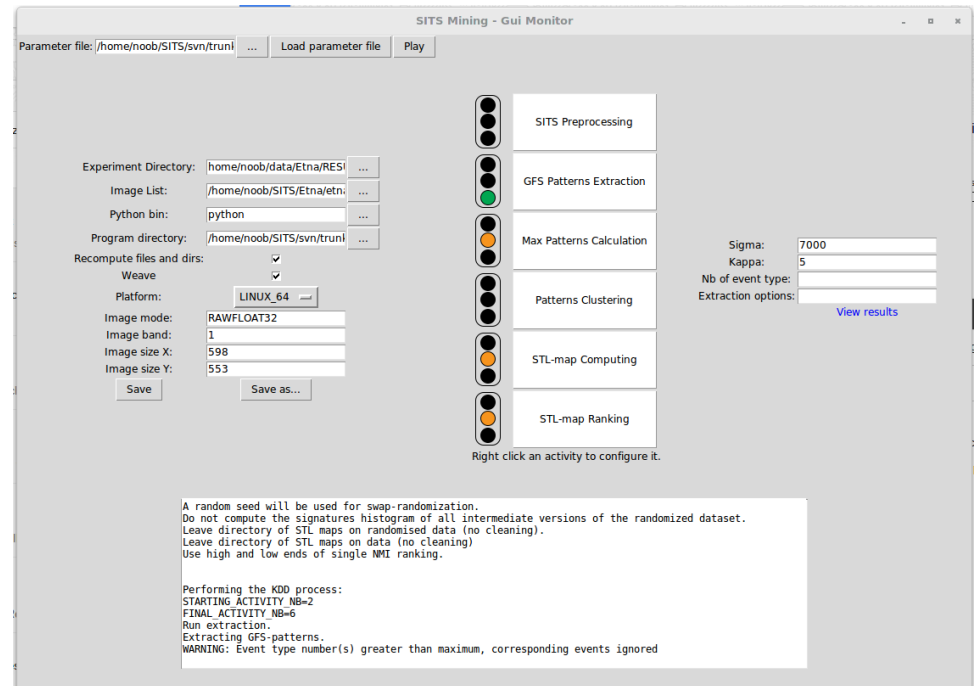


# Conclusion & future work directions

- Encouraging qualitative results on a **displacement field** time series obtained by terrestrial photogrammetry.
- Both ends of the NMI ranking can be of interest.
- **Stability** of both ends of the ranking for multiple randomizations.
- An **operating point** could be found to maximize the number of maximal GFS-patterns / **get the richest description**.
- Future work directions : raw optical images / considering the uncertainties during the extraction / longer time series.

# SITS Miner

- Quantize SITS
- Extract GFS-patterns
- Select maximal ones
- Cluster patterns
- Compute STL-maps
- Rank STL-maps/patterns



- C/Python 2.7, free, open source, multiplatform (Linux, Mac OS, Windows)

Open source package soon available for download



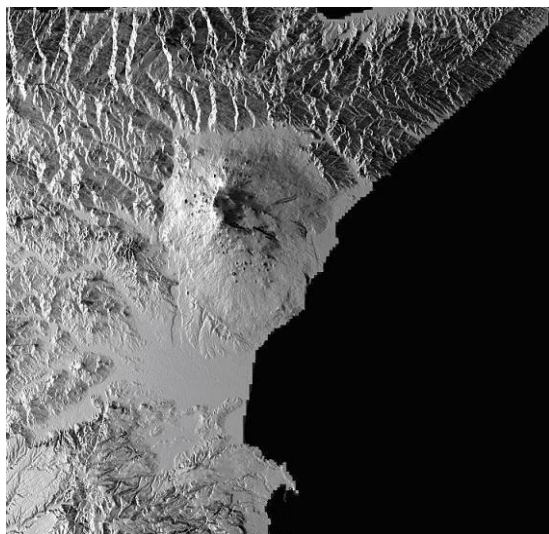
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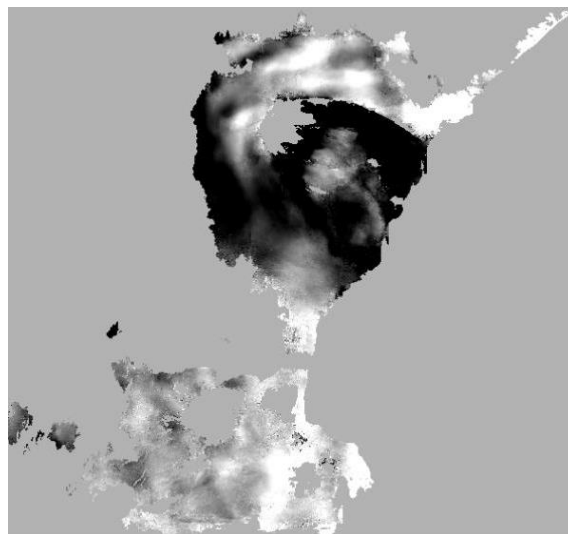


# Deformation monitoring of Mount Etna

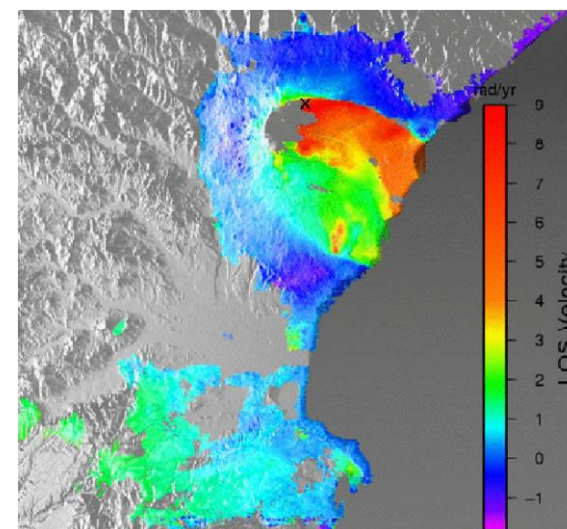
- 16 co-registered total phase delays images (553X598), 2003-2010, SAR geometry,  $\approx 160$  m, over the site of the Mount Etna volcano.
- Data produced by M-P. Doin, laboratory ISTERre.
- Phase delays were quantized into 3 levels (33<sup>rd</sup> et 66<sup>th</sup> percentiles).



DEM of the Mount Etna area



Phases delays 2003/01/22



Average velocity in rad/yr [Doin11]

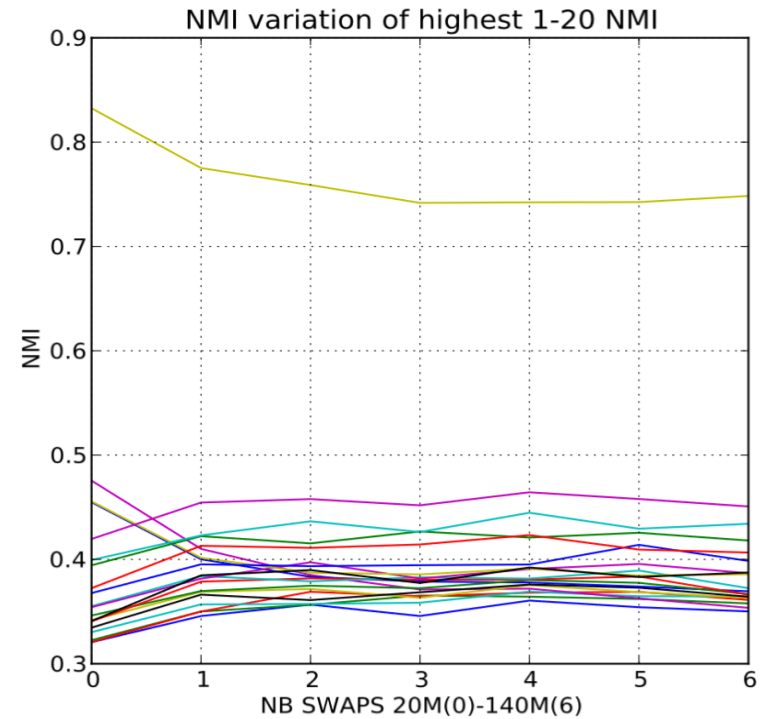
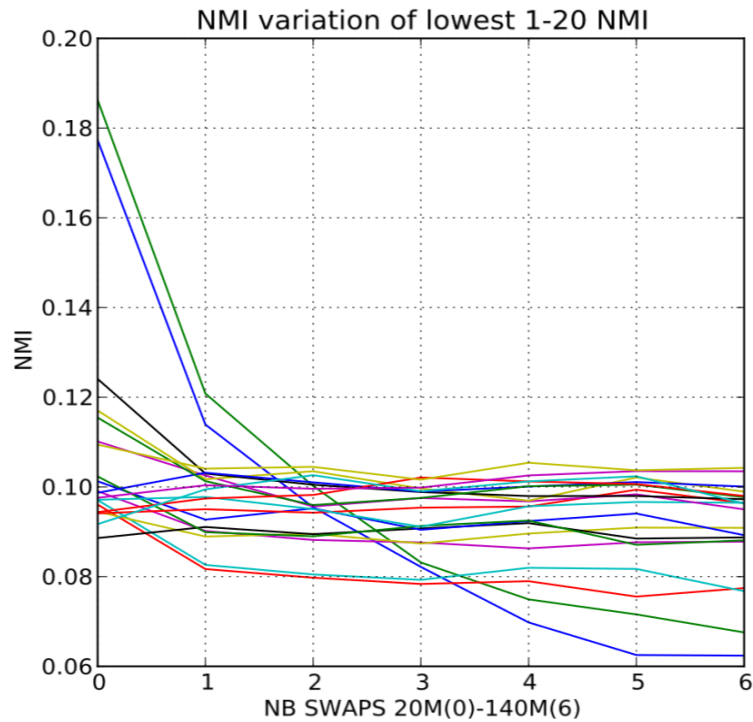
$2\pi = 2.8$  cm



# GFS-pattern extraction and ranking

- prototype: C/Python
- platform : a single core on 2.7 GHz Intel Core i7
- $\sigma = 7000$  (2.1%, set w.r.t. the maximum number of maximal patterns)
- $k = 5$
- Number of GFS-patterns: 2658
- Number of **maximal** GFS-patterns: 508
- #swaps: 100M
- space/time requirements: 1.66 GB, 700 s.

# #swaps: 100 M



# Randomization procedure behavior

*73,9% of the dataset can not be swapped*

## .1000 swap randomizations

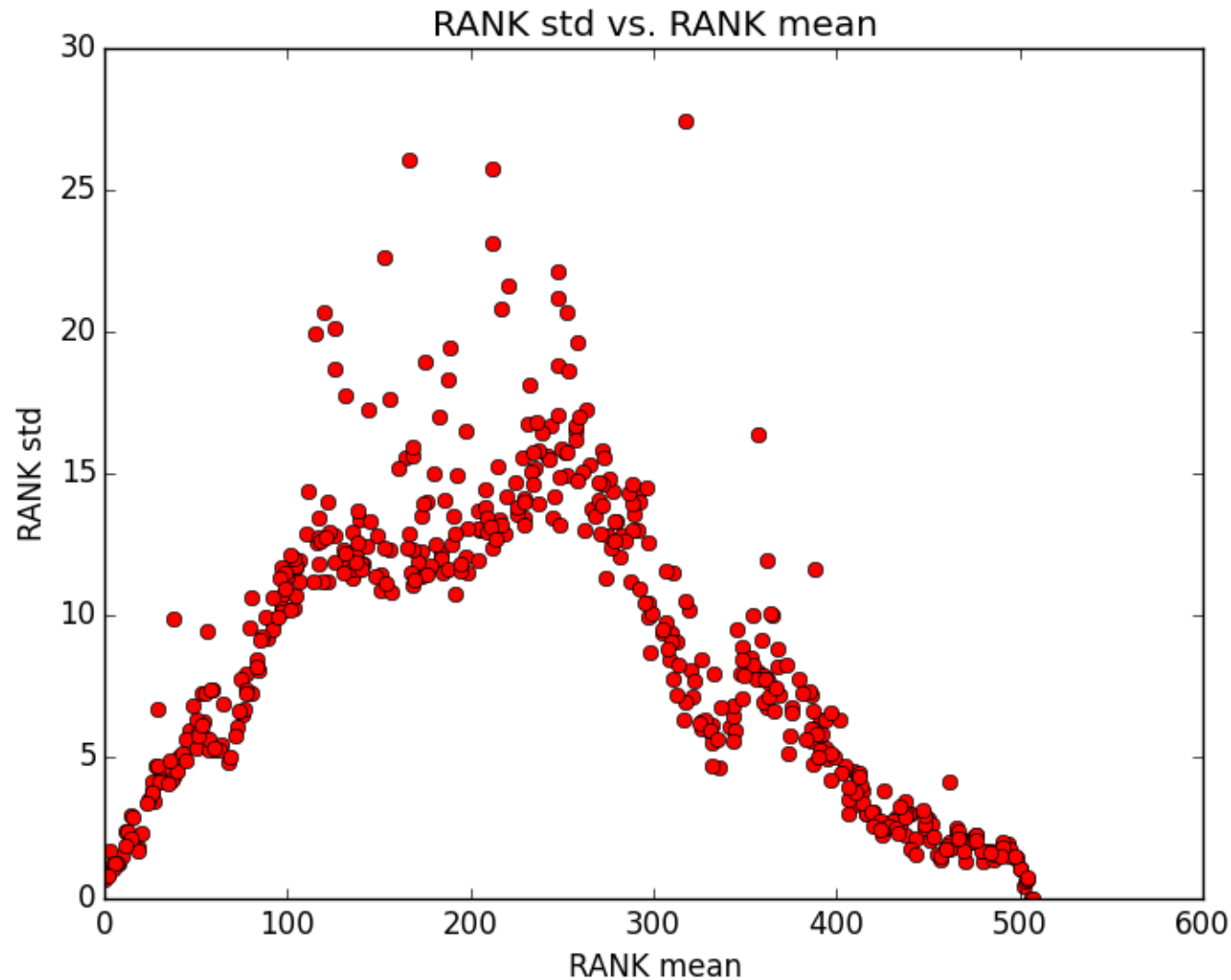
.Average swapped events rate: 6,5% (standard deviation  $\approx 0$ , stable)

## .1 swap randomization

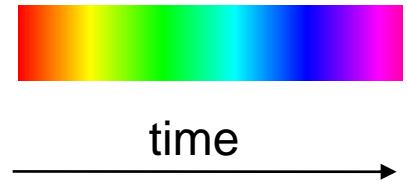
.1,070,219 matrices are explored.

.All matrices are reached only once (except one, 8 times)

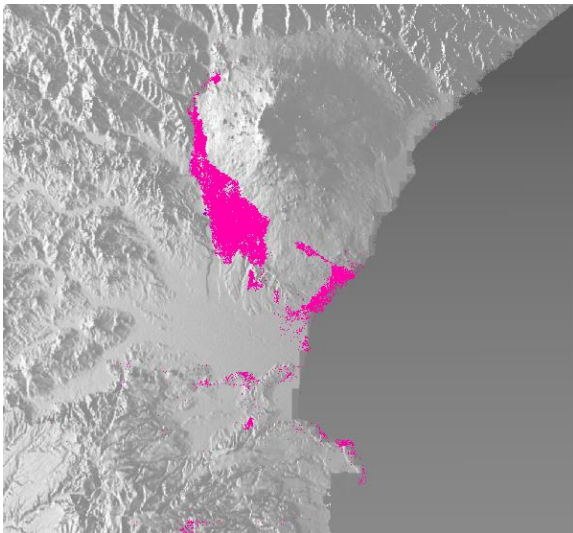
# Ranking stability (over 1000 matrices)



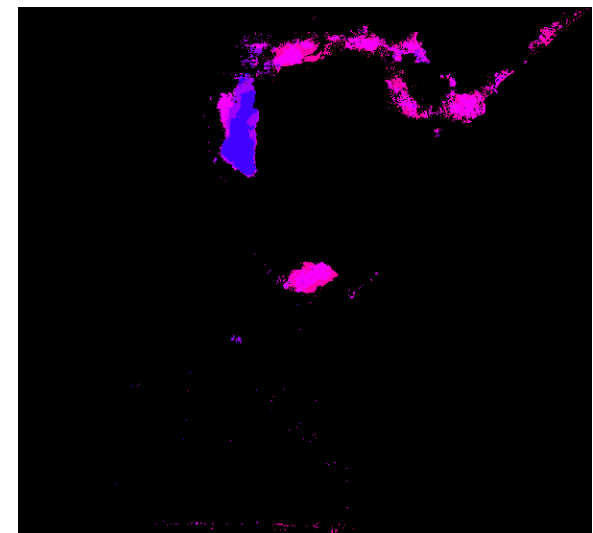
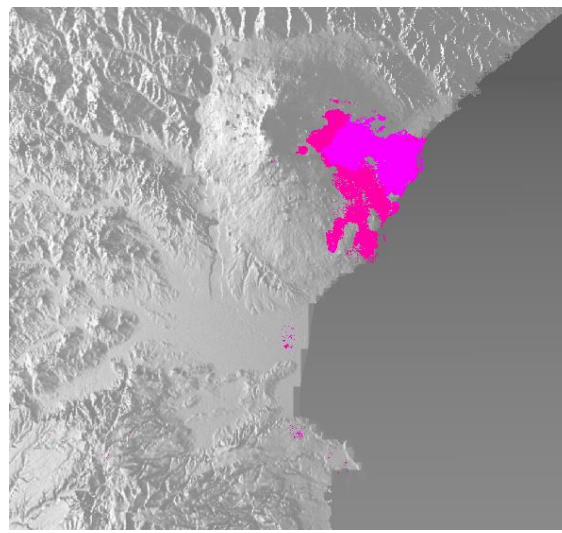
# Qualitative results



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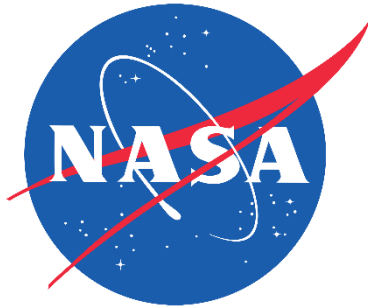


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1 → 2 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3 → 3

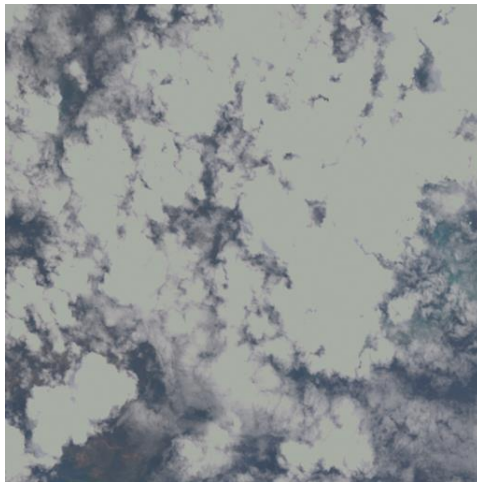
# Noisy/cloudy optical data can also be analysed



# Monitoring the Yaté area

- 16 co-registered Landsat 7 images (513X513), 2000-2011, 30 m, over New Caledonia (Yaté rural district, nickel open cast mining activities, scrub fires, erosion, landslides, UNESCO protected coral reefs and lagoons).
- Bands: blue (450-520nm), green (520-600nm), red (630-690nm), near infra-red (750-900nm).
- Synthetic band NDVI and ground truth provided by Bluecham SAS. NDVI values were quantized into 3 levels (33<sup>rd</sup> et 66<sup>th</sup> percentiles).

Clouds ...



... artefacts



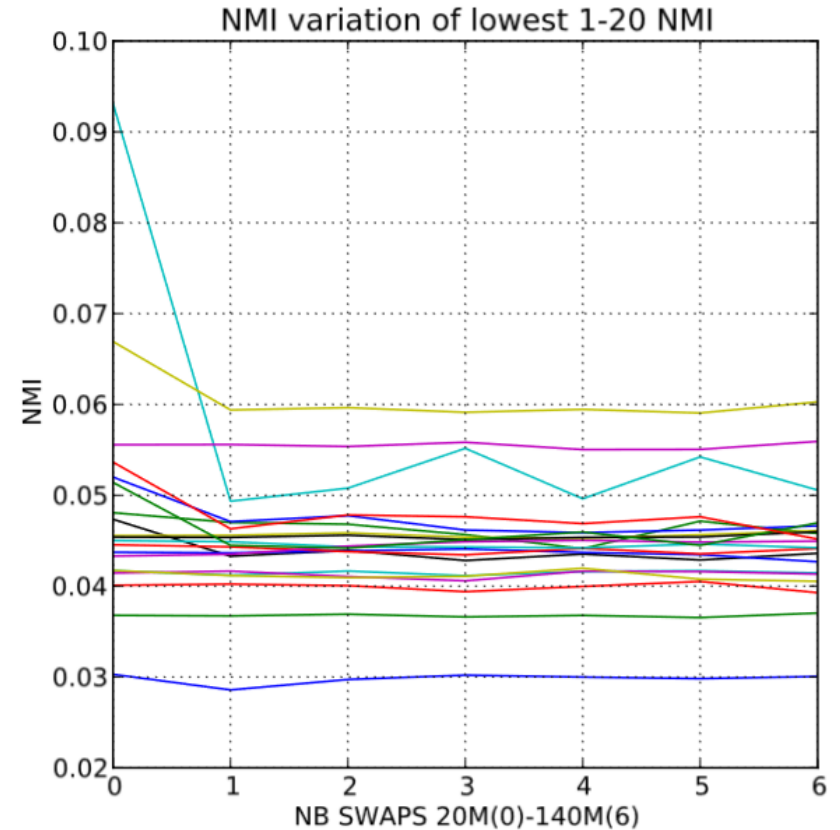
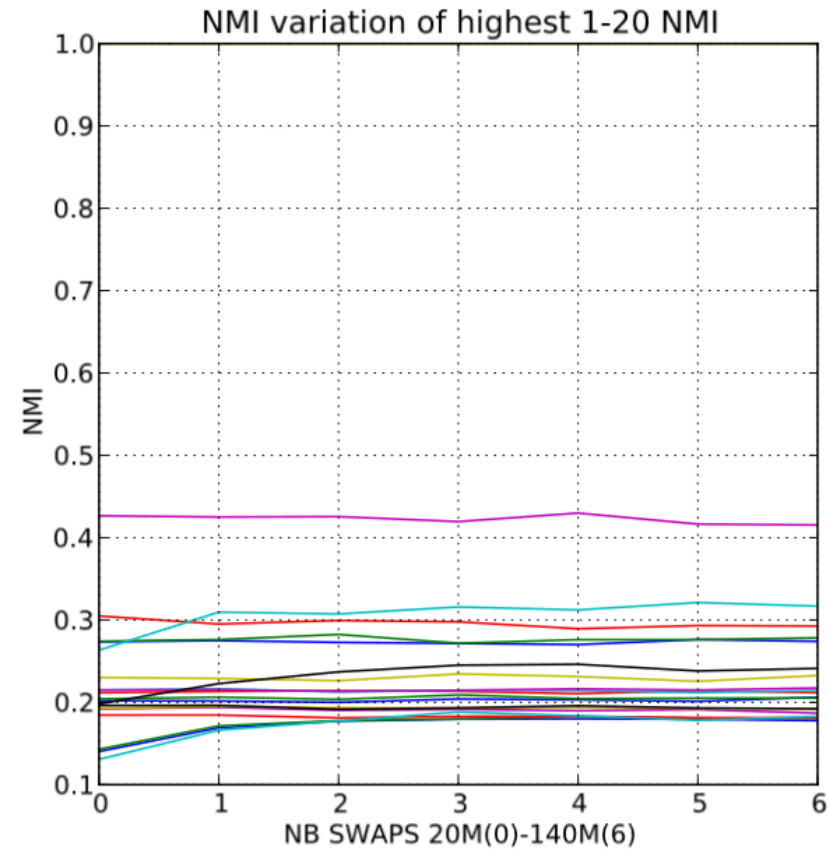


# GFS-pattern extraction and ranking

- $\sigma = 7000$  (2.6%, set w.r.t. the maximum number of maximal patterns)
- $k = 5$
- Number of GFS-patterns: 15620
- Number of maximal GFS-patterns: 295
- NMI rankings at 100M swaps



# #swaps: 100 M



# Randomization procedure behavior

*16,2% of the dataset can not be swapped*

## .1000 swap randomizations

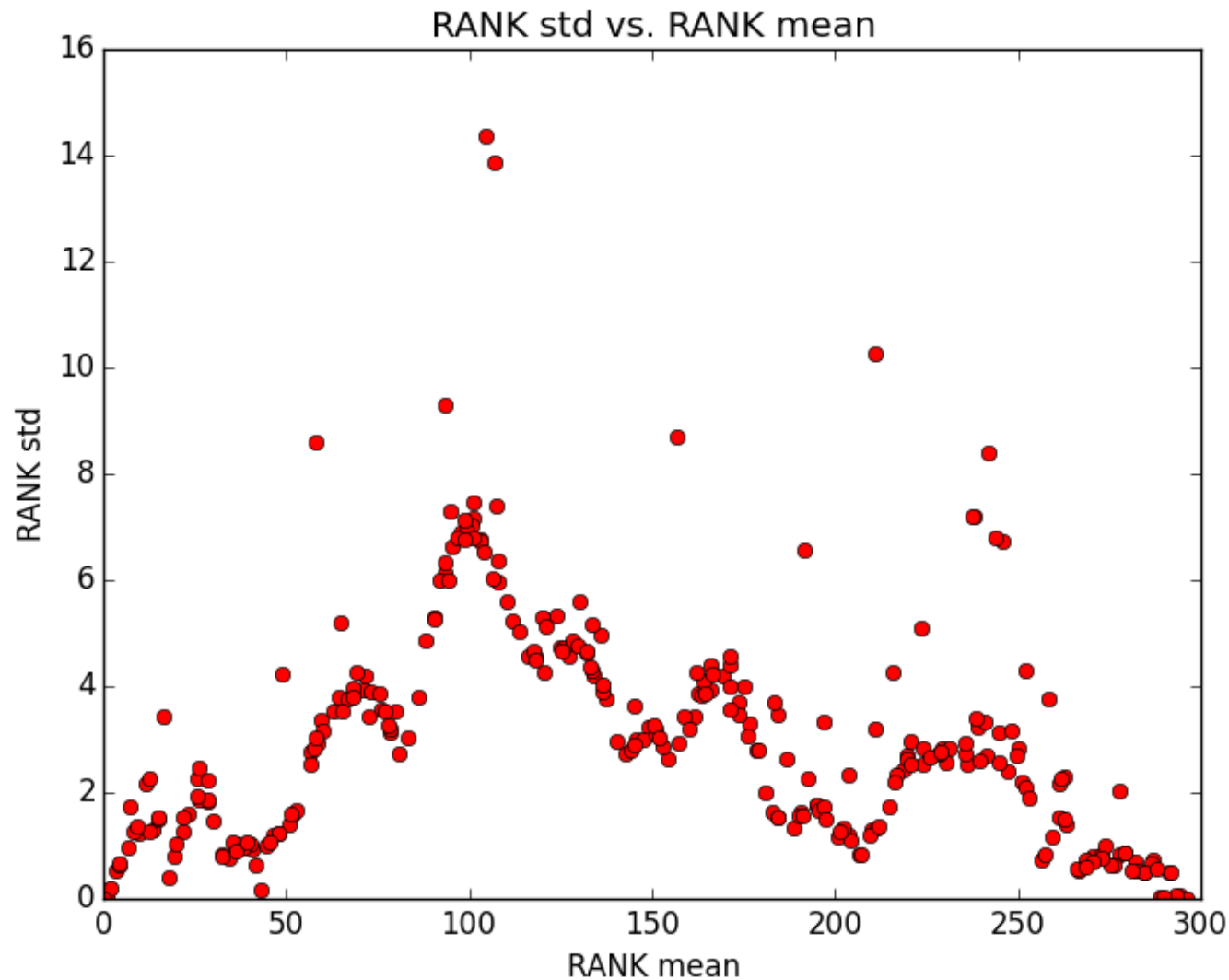
.Average swapped events rate: 32,9% (standard deviation  $\approx 0$ , stable)

## .1 swap randomization

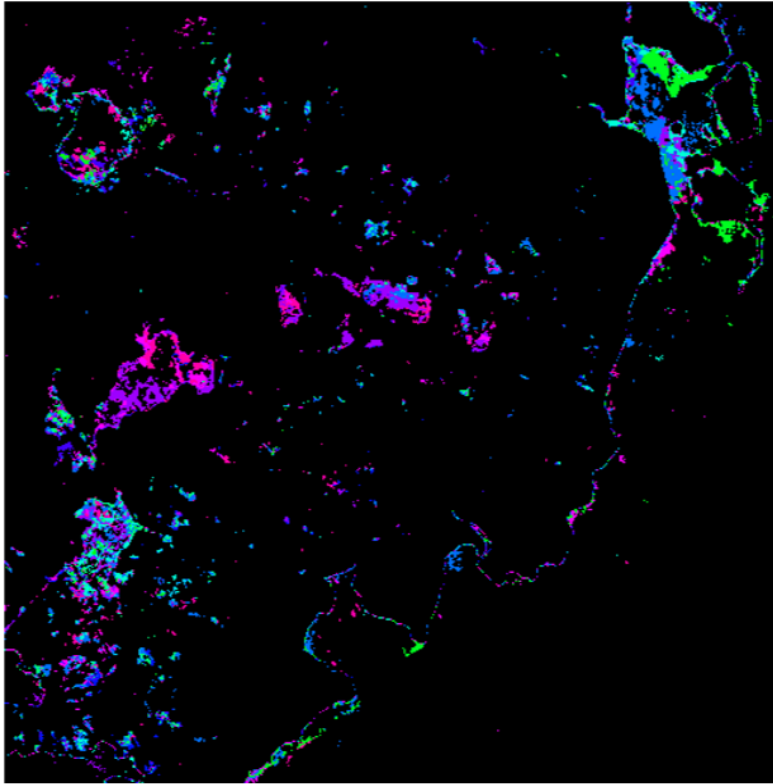
.8,911,591 matrices are explored.

.All matrices are reached only once (except one, 4189 times and another one, 44 times)

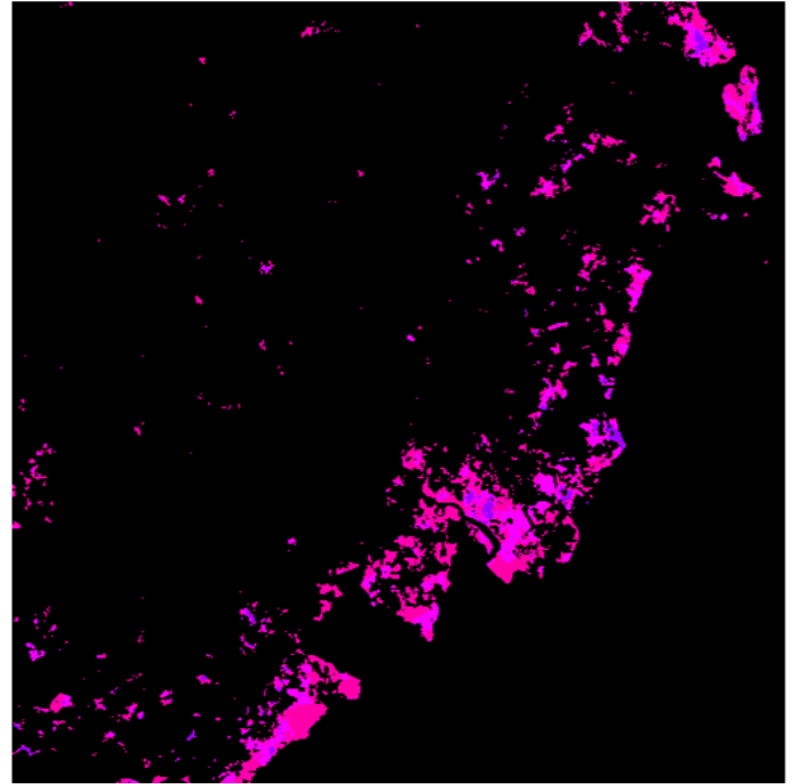
# Ranking stability (over 1000 matrices)



# Yaté qualitative results

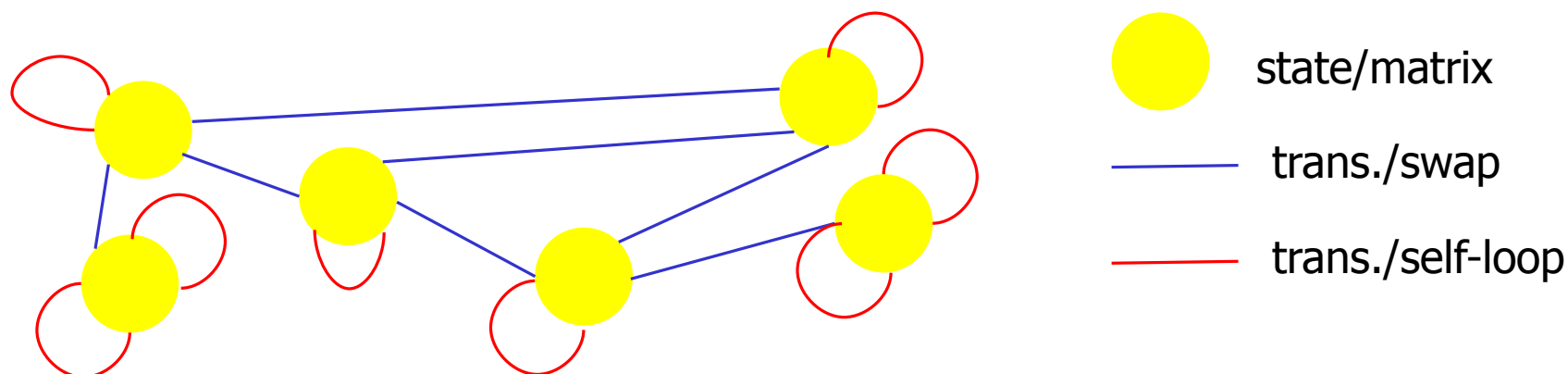


**Fig. 13.** STL-map: 6<sup>th</sup> lowest NMI pattern  $\langle 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2 \rangle$ , NC.



**Fig. 14.** STL-map: 2<sup>nd</sup> highest NMI pattern  $\langle 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3 \rangle$ , NC.

# Equiprobable matrices and self-loops



- All matrices having the same structure are **equiprobable** if **failed swap attempts** are counted as **self-loops**. [Gionis07]
- A swap attempt = a step in Markov chain  $M(S,T)$   
 $S$  – set of states/matrices,  $T$  – set of transitions/swap attempts
- Each state degree =  $P = |T|$
- All states have the same degrees  $\rightarrow$  uniform distribution

# Why maintaining column and row margins?

Maintaining margins  $\approx$  preserving histograms

**Column margins:** within a single image, the nature of the observed scene must not be modified.

Glaciers and forests should not be transformed into bare soils.

**Row margins:** the nature of a pixel evolution should be preserved.

Variations between snow and rocks should not be transformed into permanent vegetation.