

The background image shows a scene of significant destruction, likely from an earthquake. A large, multi-story building is partially collapsed, with its upper floors and roof missing. A prominent clock tower stands amidst the rubble. The foreground is covered in a thick layer of debris, including bricks, wood, and twisted metal. A yellow excavator is visible on the right side of the frame, and several people can be seen walking through the debris field. The sky is clear and blue.

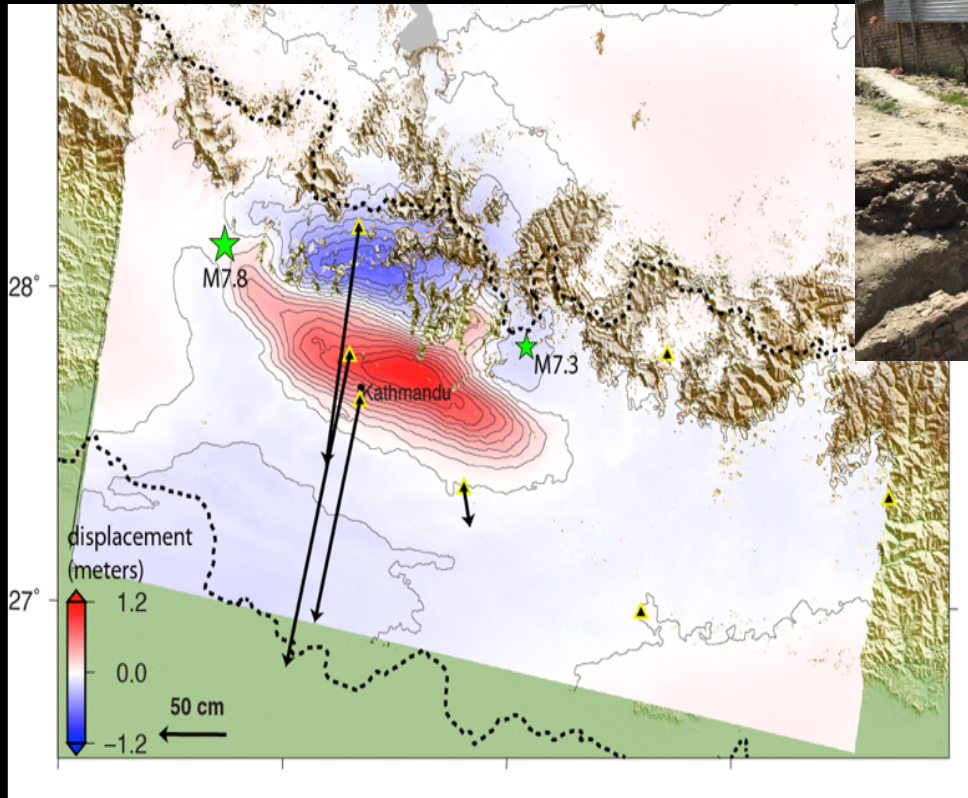
Satellite Radar Imagery for Disaster Response and Monitoring

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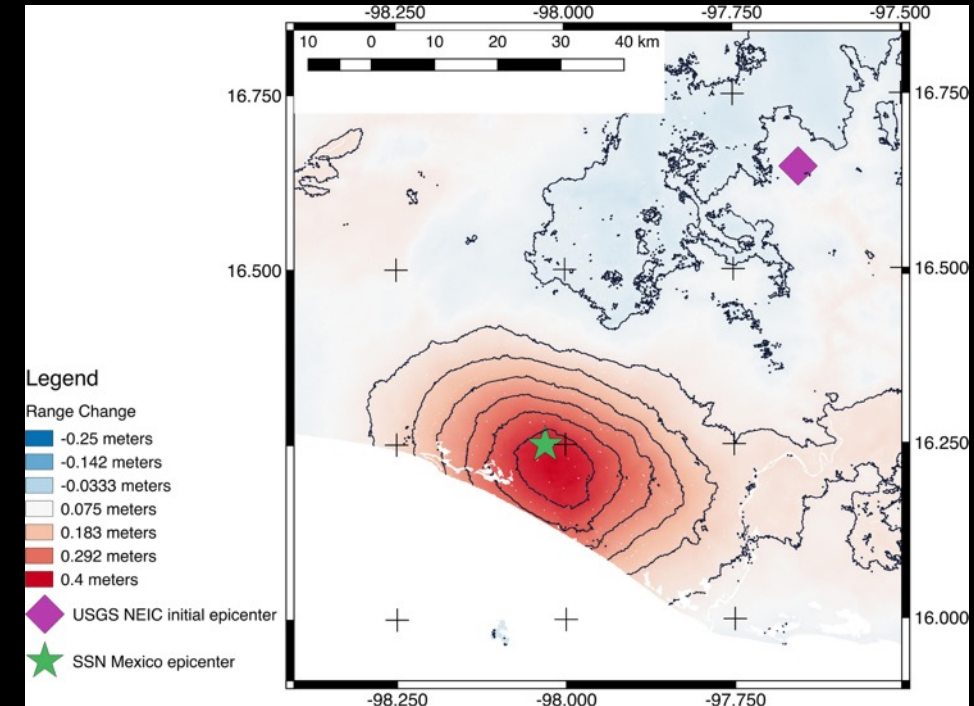
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Earthquake Surface Deformation from InSAR



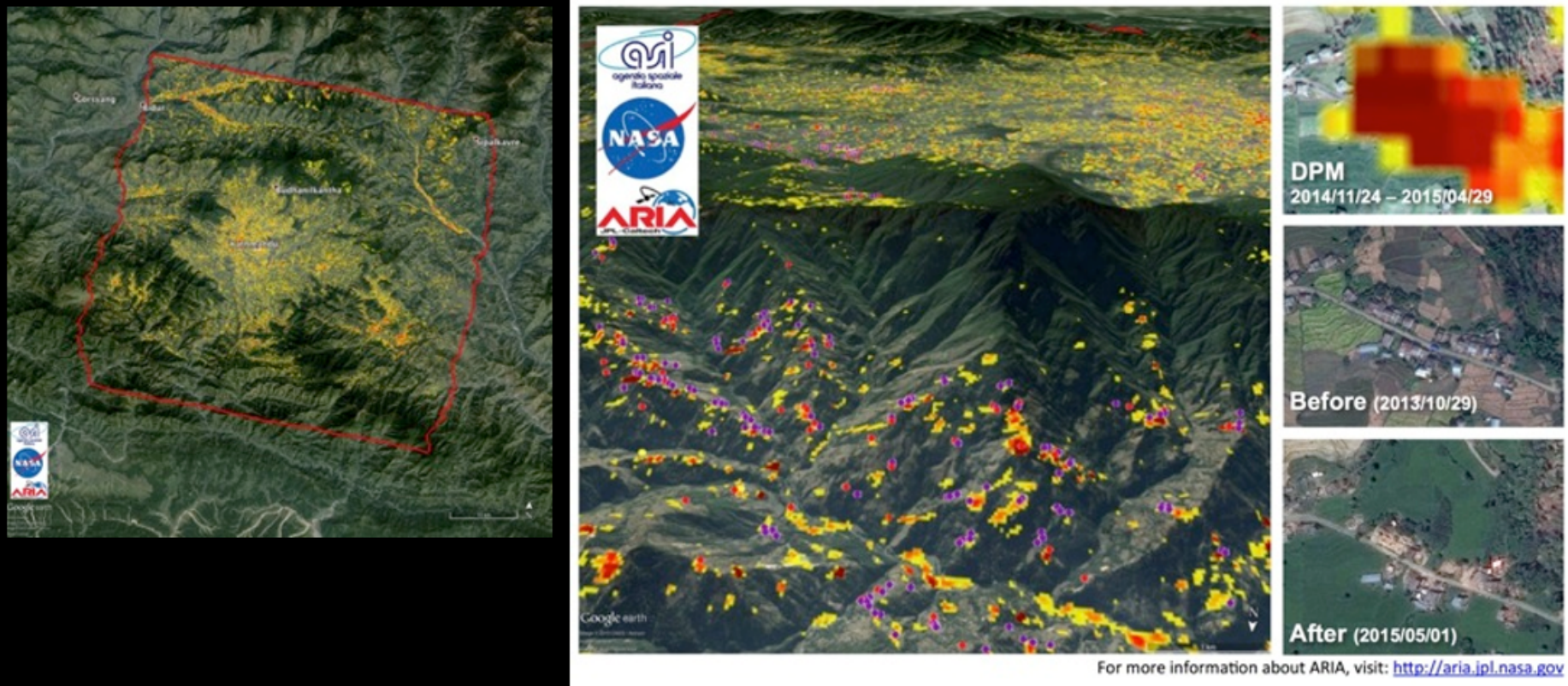
Fault rupture did not reach the surface -- has loaded shallow region of fault.

2015 M7.8 Gorkha earthquake in Nepal



2018 M7.2 Pinotepa earthquake in Oaxaca, Mexico

Damage Assessment from Radar

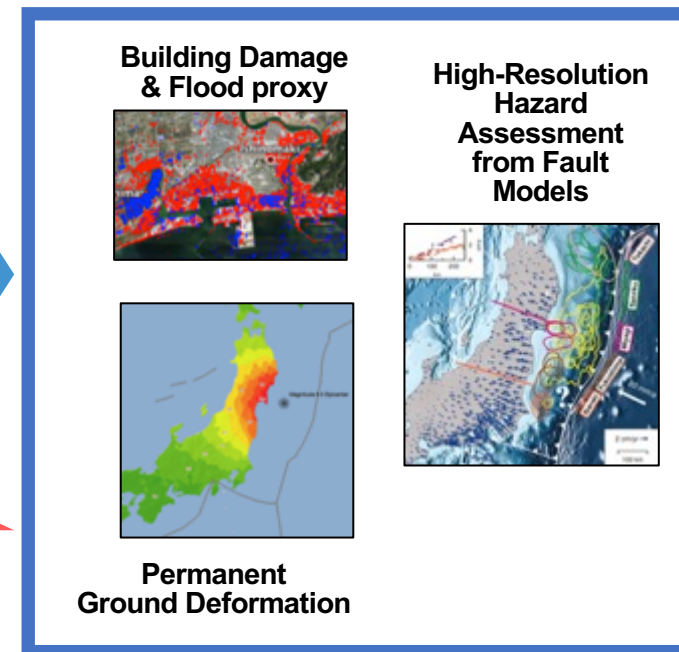
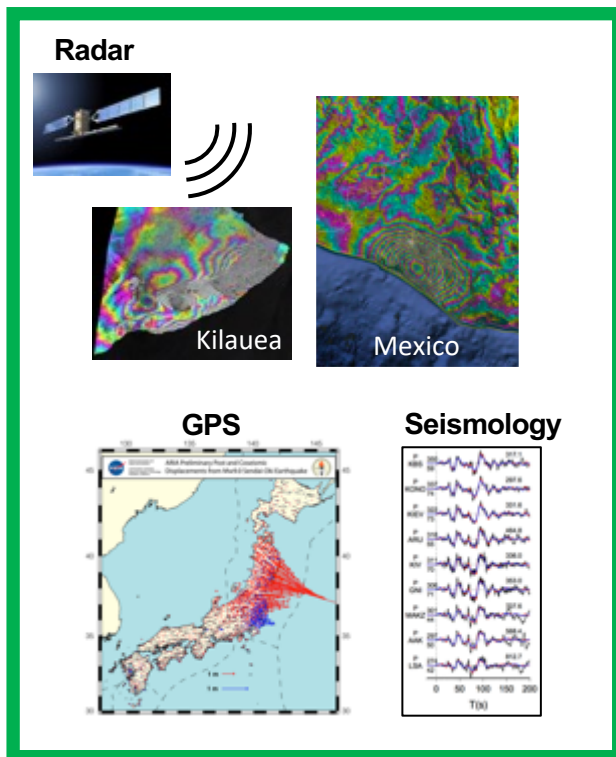
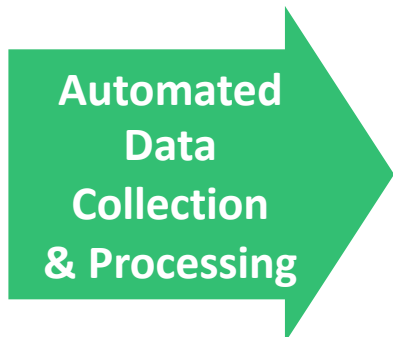


- Highlighted areas of potential damage by SAR data from ASI Cosmomo-SkyMed data
- Delivered to US and International agencies for their damage assessment efforts in support of humanitarian response

Advanced Rapid Imaging and Analysis (ARIA) project

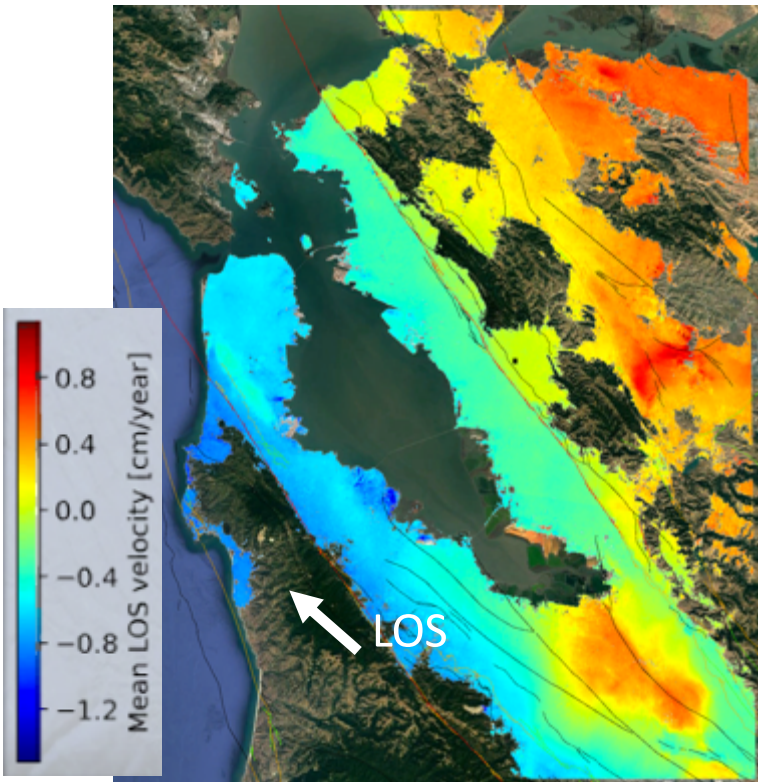


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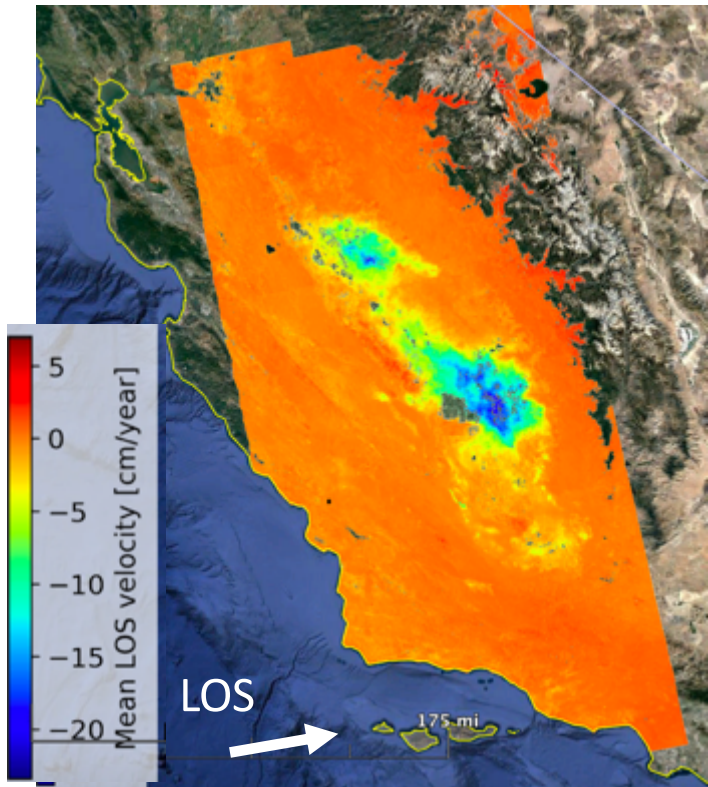


Measuring Surface Deformation Useful for Monitoring

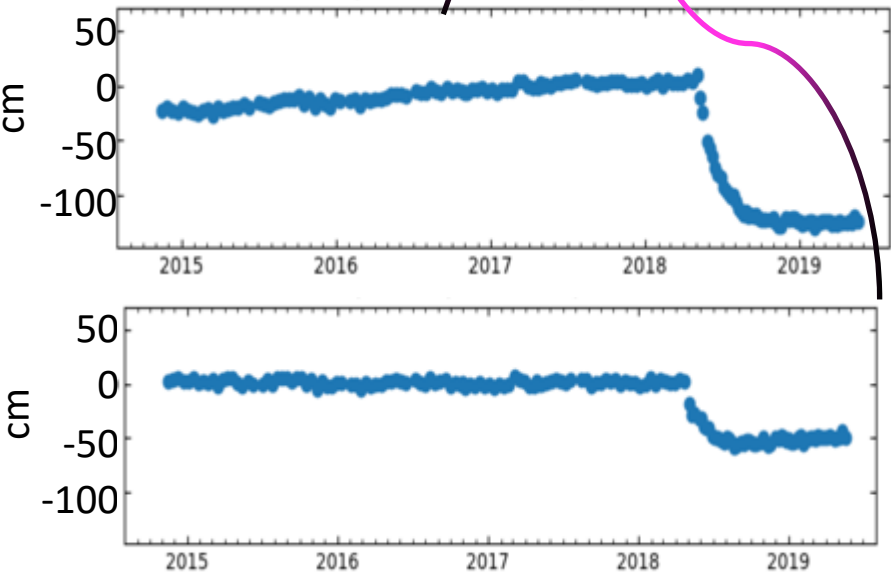
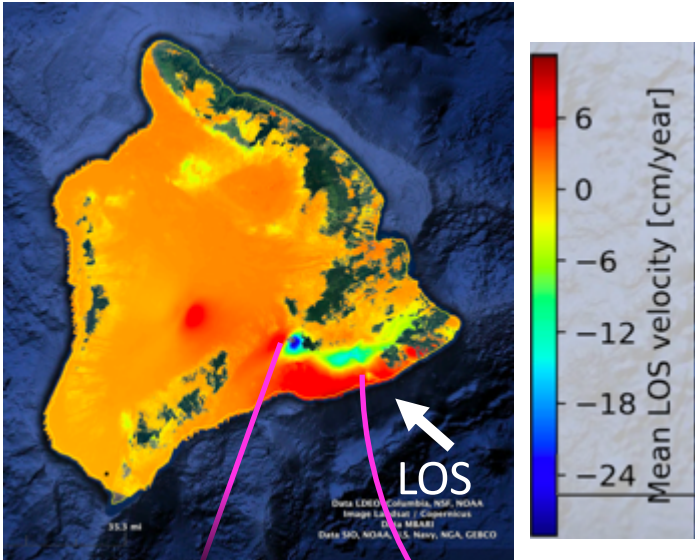
USGS interested in using ARIA to monitor faults in CA



California Dept of Water Resources has been using InSAR to monitor groundwater extraction



USGS interested in using ARIA to monitor volcanos

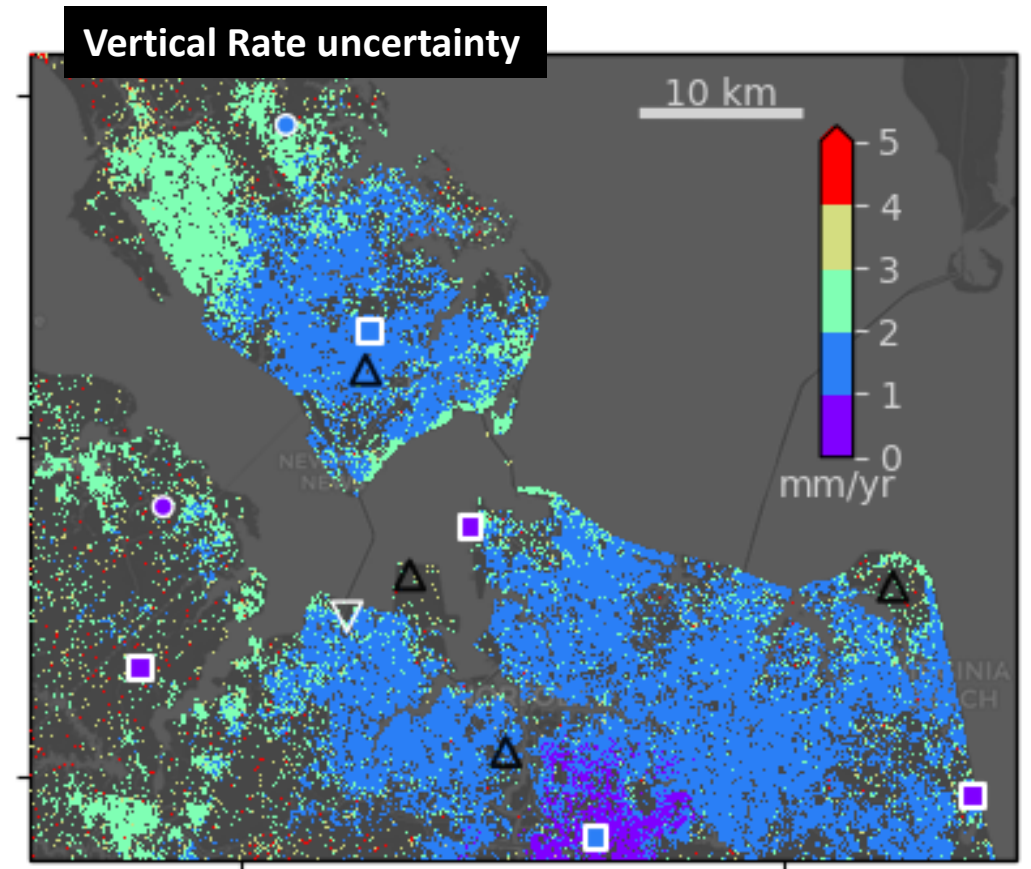
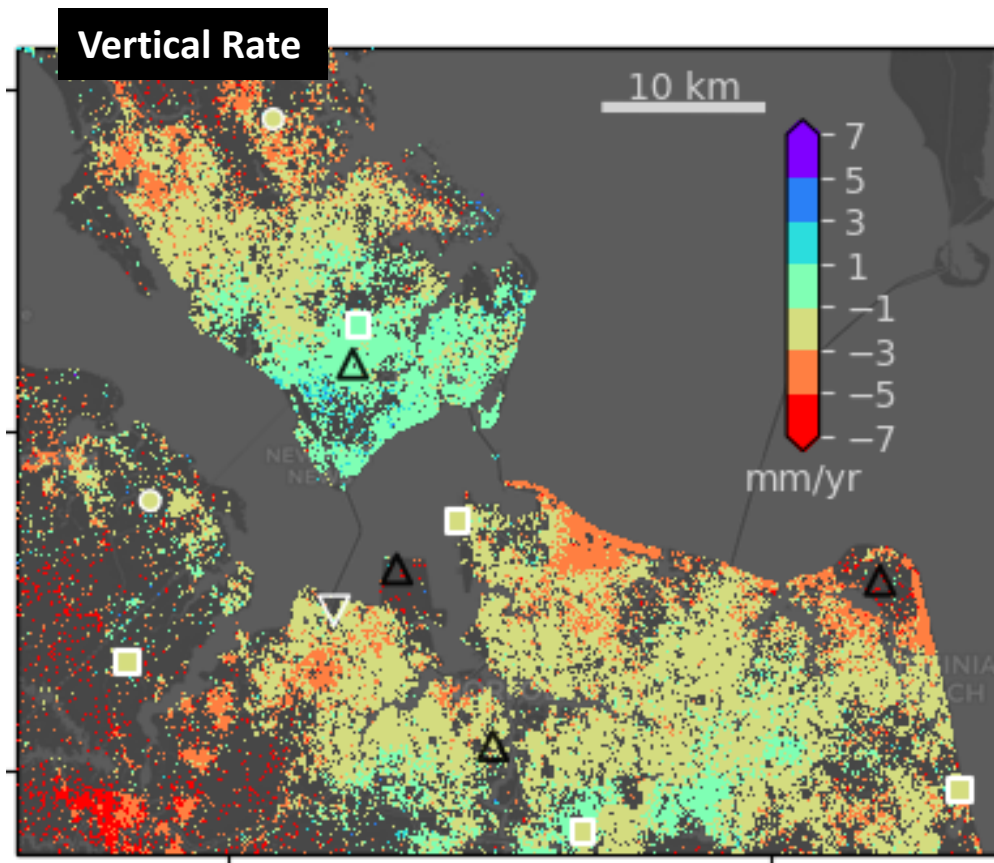


Measurements at surface used to understand where faults, water, and magma are moving underneath the surface

Using InSAR datasets for measuring coastal subsidence: Hampton Roads, Virginia



Hampton Roads



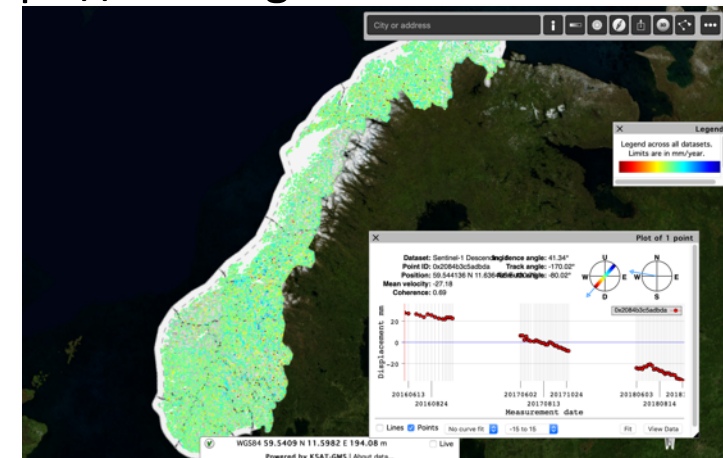
Using InSAR for Monitoring Surface Deformation in Urban Areas: Oslo, Norway



Oslo center

Analysis of InSAR images between 2009 and today reveals more than one centimeter per year of subsidence in the Bjørvika area.

- NGU uses free and open Sentinel 1 data acquired over Norway every 6 days
- Funded to create a national deformation map, to make data easily available to everyone.
- Primarily used for identifying areas prone to landslides
- Has online clickable map that shows both velocities and time series for points:
<https://insar.ngu.no>



From Geological Survey of Norway:
<https://www.ngu.no/en/topic/insar-norway>

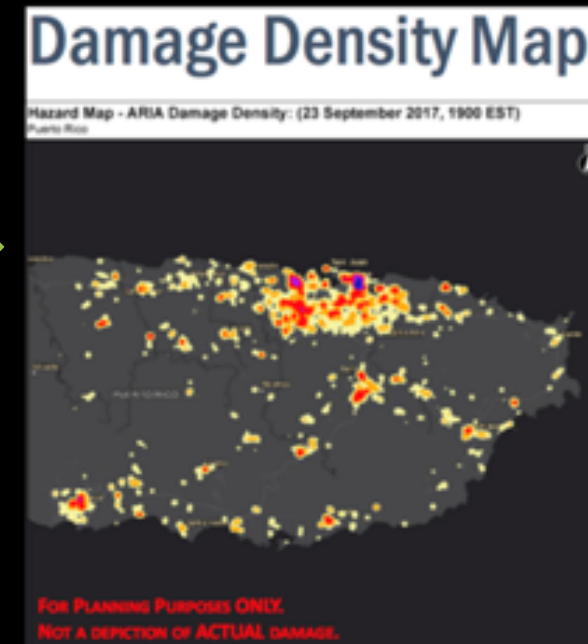
Using InSAR for Mapping Damage: 2017 Hurricane Maria



Hurricane Maria



Damage Proxy Map for Puerto Rico,
Hurricane Maria Response

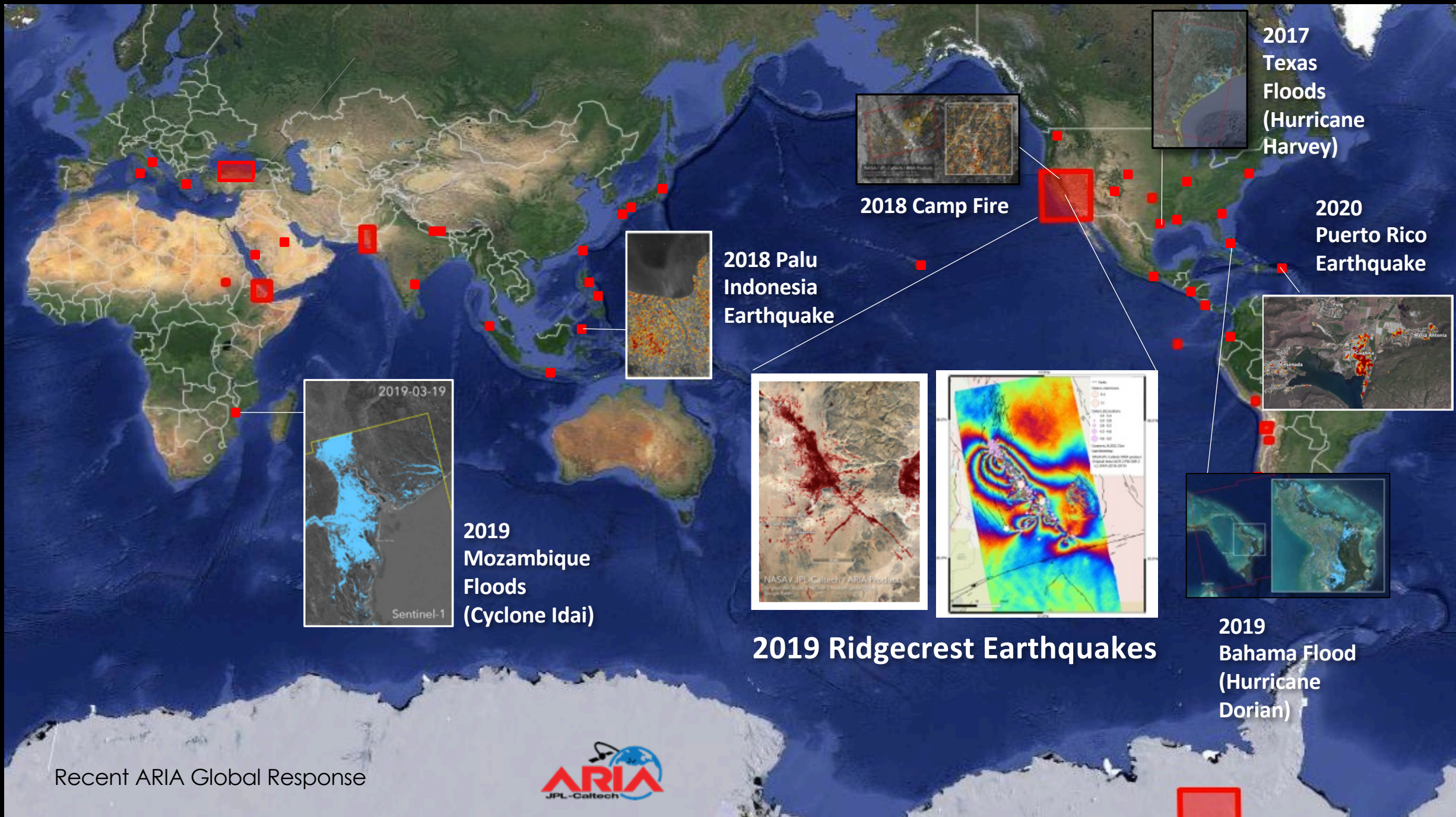


ARIA Damage Density

Lowest Highest



FEMA used ARIA product to generate Damage Density Map



2017
Texas
Floods
(Hurricane
Harvey)

2018 Camp Fire

2018 Palu
Indonesia
Earthquake

2020
Puerto Rico
Earthquake

2019
Mozambique
Floods
(Cyclone Idai)

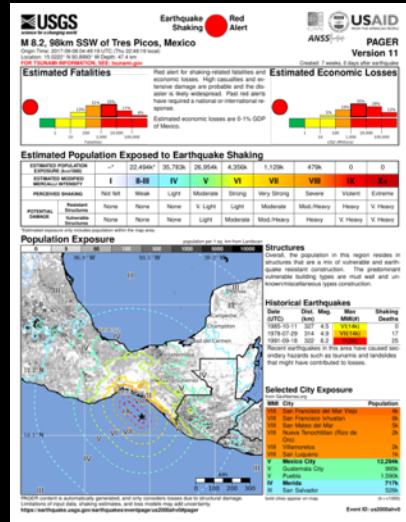
2019 Ridgecrest Earthquakes

2019
Bahama Flood
(Hurricane
Dorian)

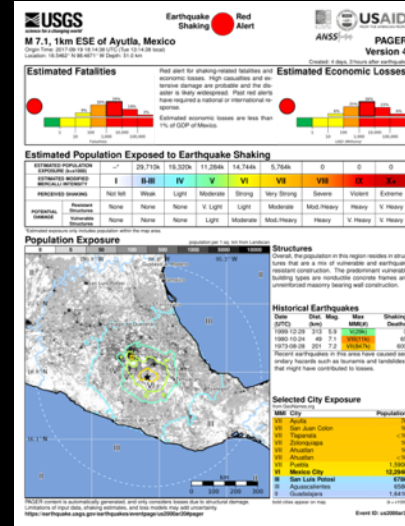
Recent ARIA Global Response



Damage Assessments for 2017 Mexico Earthquakes



9/7 (local)
M8.2 quake



9/17
DPM

9/19
M7.1

9/20
DPM



ARIA damage maps and ground deformation map for the M8.1 and M7.1 earthquakes in Mexico

9/9
First ALOS-2 acquisition

9/13
First Copernicus Sentinel-1 acquisition

9/20
First Copernicus Sentinel-1 acquisition

Figures: Sang-Ho Yun

How fast can we get the SAR data?

ALOS-4

ALOS-2

SAOCOM

NISAR

Sentinel-1

Radarsat-2

COSMO-SkyMed

TerraSAR-X

PAZ

KOMPSAT-5

All missions: 6 h

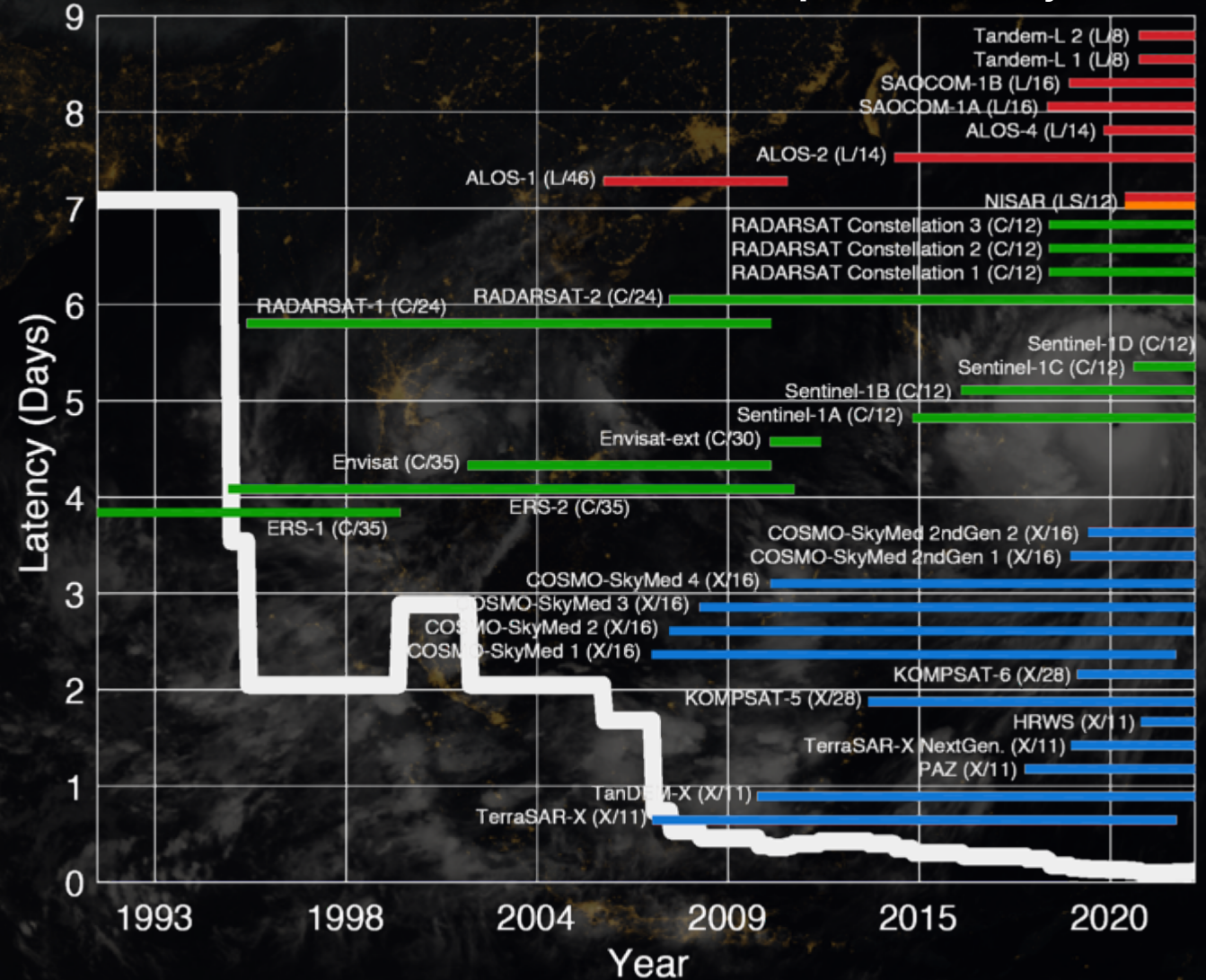
S1 & A2 & CSK: 10 h

S1 & A2: 20 h

S1: 30 h

A2: 2.8 days

International SAR Satellites Overpass Latency



From Sang-Ho Yun

Can we provide data faster?

- Further automate processing
- Machine learning for precursor detection, improved damage & flood mapping
- Faster processing (GPU's)
- Faster access to more data

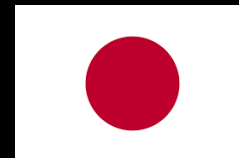
SAR Missions with Free and Open data policy

**ESA Copernicus
Sentinel 1a & 1b**



SAR Missions w/out Free and Open data policy

- Italy - ASI Cosmo-SkyMed
- Japan - JAXA ALOS-2
- Germany - DLR TerraSAR-X
- Canada - CSA Radarsat-2





NASA's SAR mission, NISAR, will launch in 2022, providing global SAR coverage.



NISAR will have Urgent Response mode to deliver raw data within 5 hours of collection.

Will need a system to convert the data to actionable information

Leveraging international partnership interest to improve system.



We have cloned the ARIA system in Singapore, to collaborate on disaster response and algorithm development.

Summary

- There is much more SAR data available now than in the past – and that will keep improving
- NASA and other space agencies are planning long-term for future SAR missions -> moving towards continuity of observations.
- Applications are being developed for disaster damage mapping
- Applications are also being developed for deformation monitoring
- Latency and temporal resolution is still a limiting factor for 'near-real-time' rapid response applications