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A Software Platform for Maritime Monitoring and Prompt Target Characterization

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Why?

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Maritime observation through satellite missions

- SAR



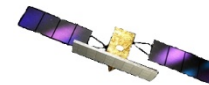
Maritime observation through satellite missions

- SAR
- Optical

Sentinel II (ESA)



CSK (ASI)



Sentinel I (ESA)



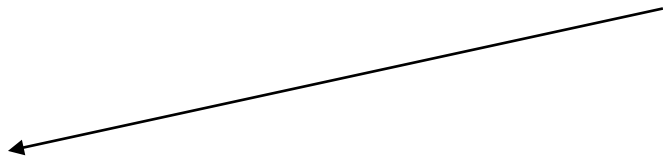
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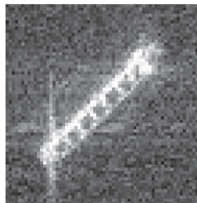
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A software platform to



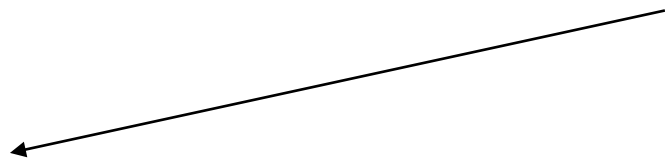
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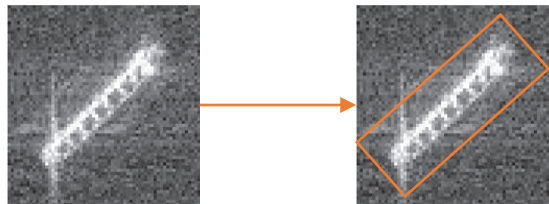
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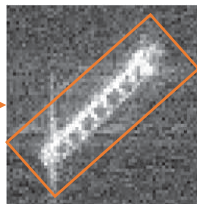
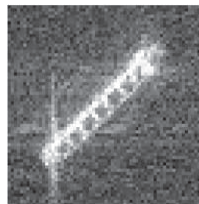


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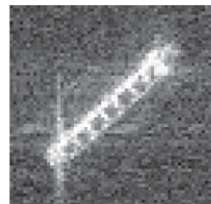


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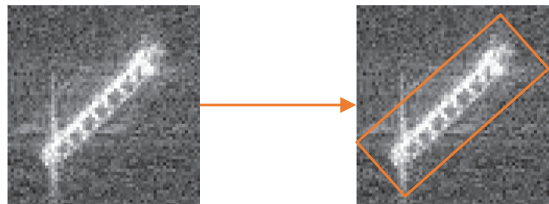


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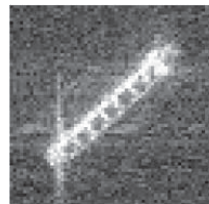


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Bulk Carrier

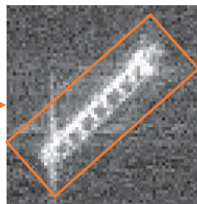
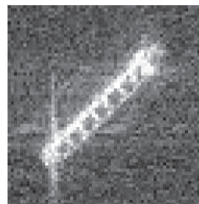
Cruise ship

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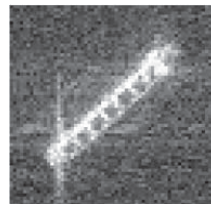


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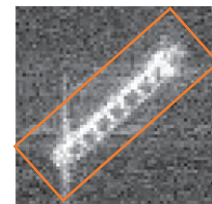


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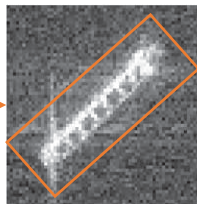
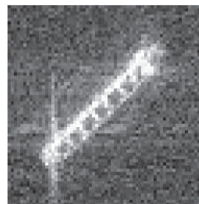


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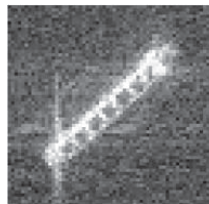


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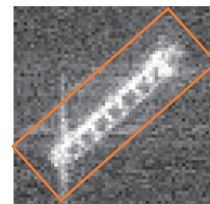


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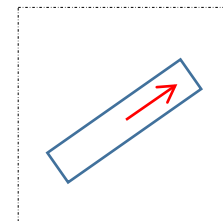
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Cruise ship

Estimate



- Velocity
- Route

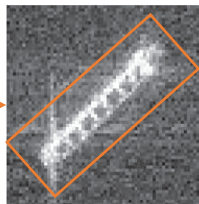
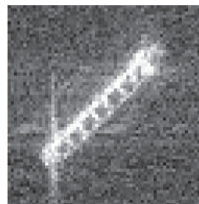


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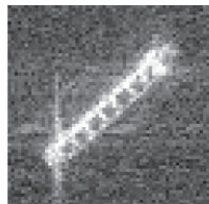


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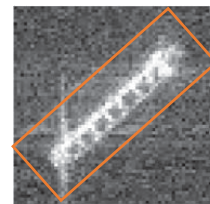


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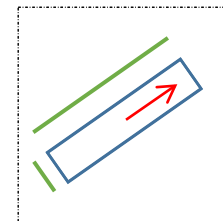
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Estimate



- Velocity
- Route



- Coordinates
- Shape



Detection

Constant False Alarm Rate



Detection

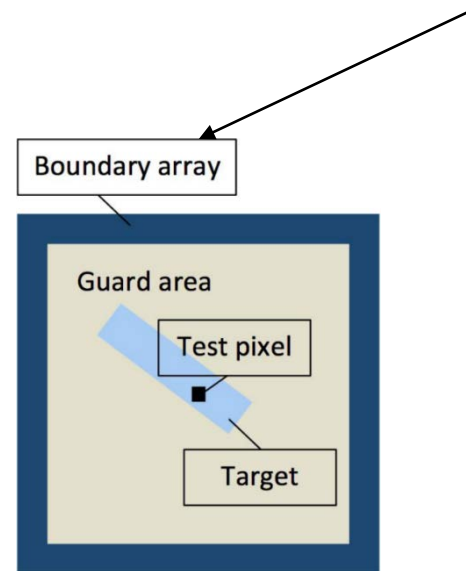
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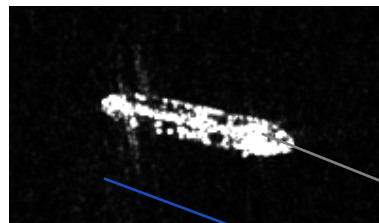
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Locally estimated in moving windows



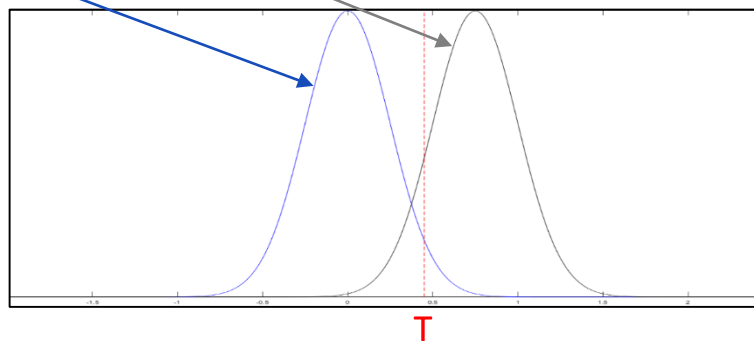
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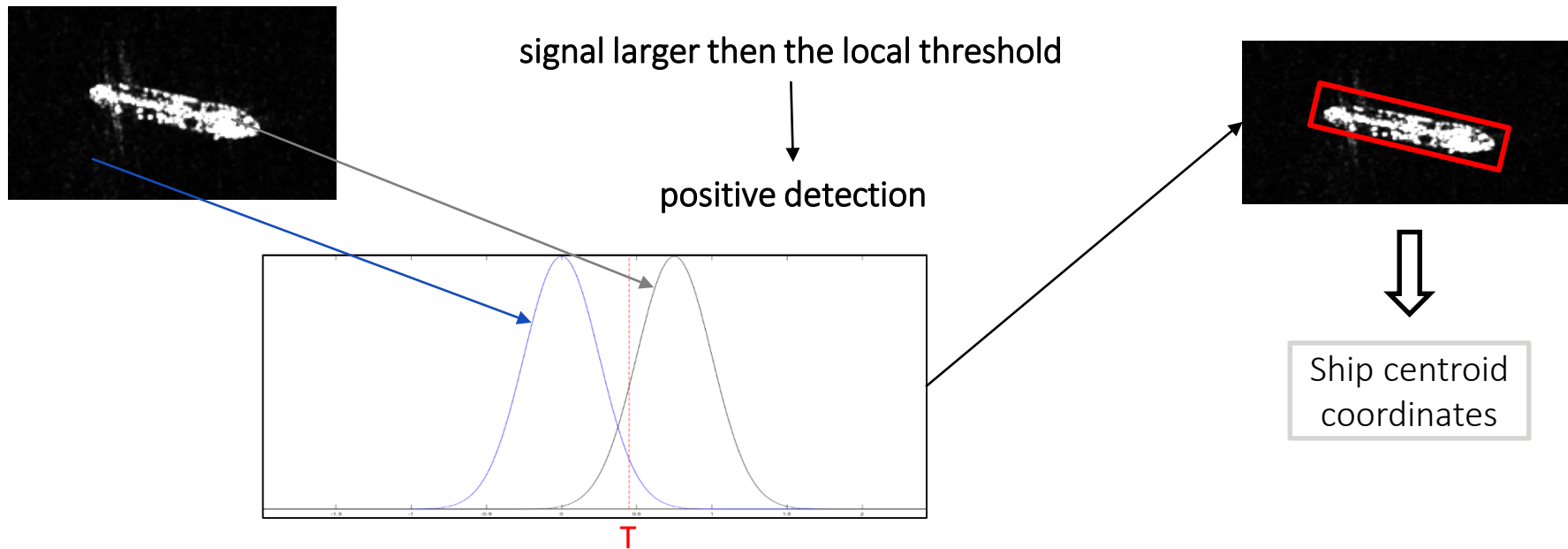
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positive detection



Detection



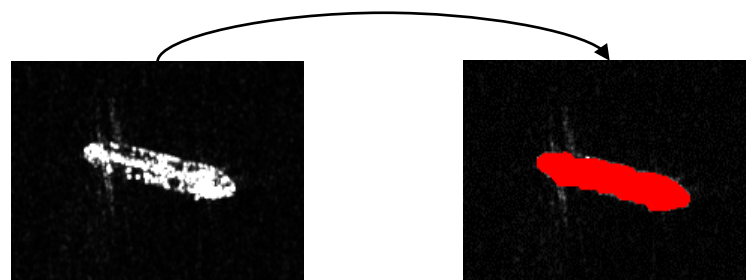
Segmentation/classification

Morphological information



Segmentation/classification

Iterative procedure based on sigma-thresholding



- Refined ship centroid
- Ship footprint

Segmentation/classification

Geometrical information



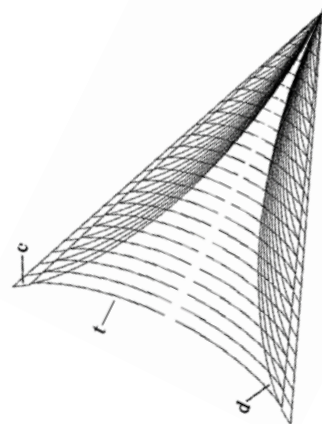
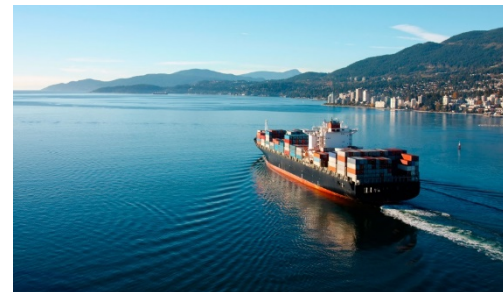
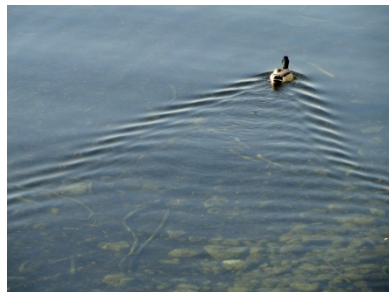
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Principal inertia axes

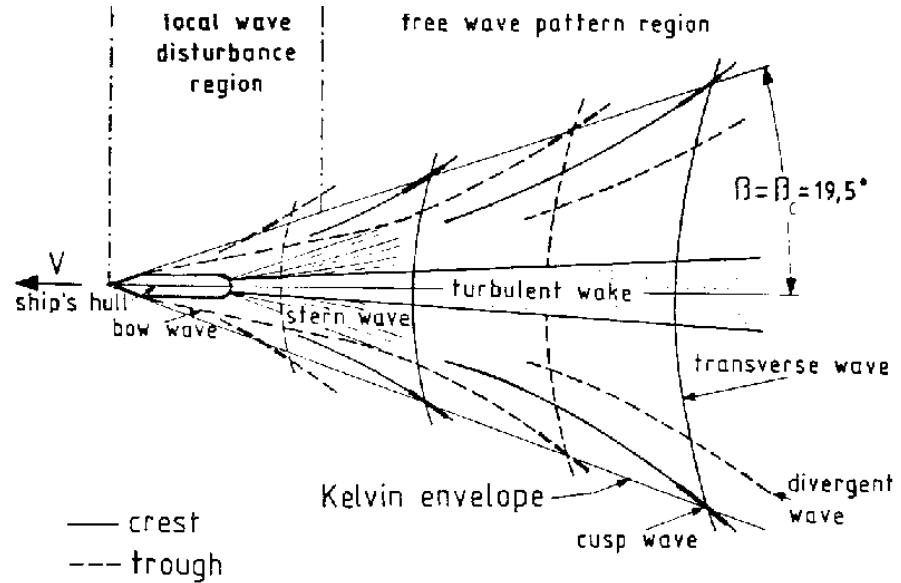
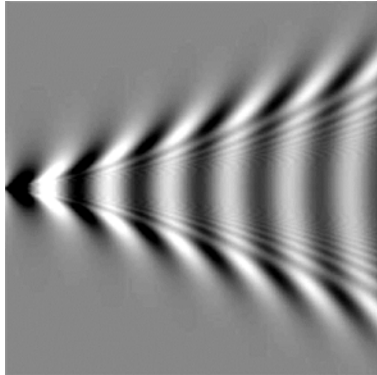


- Ship dimensions
- Ship route

Estimation - Vessel Kinematics



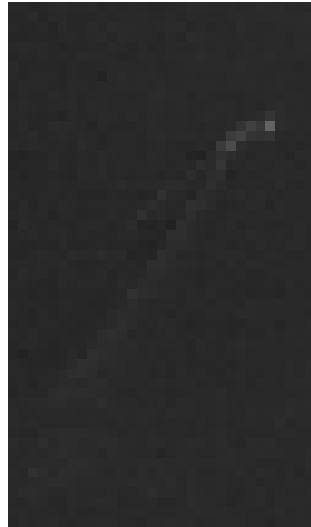
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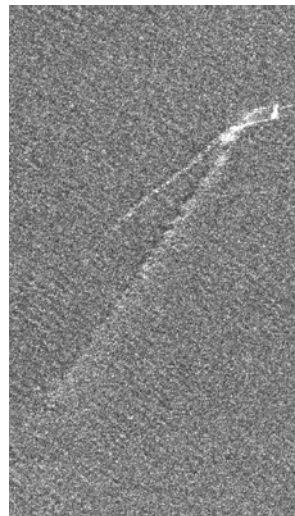
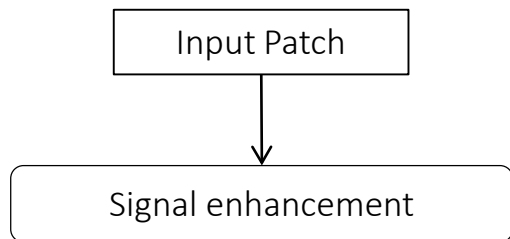


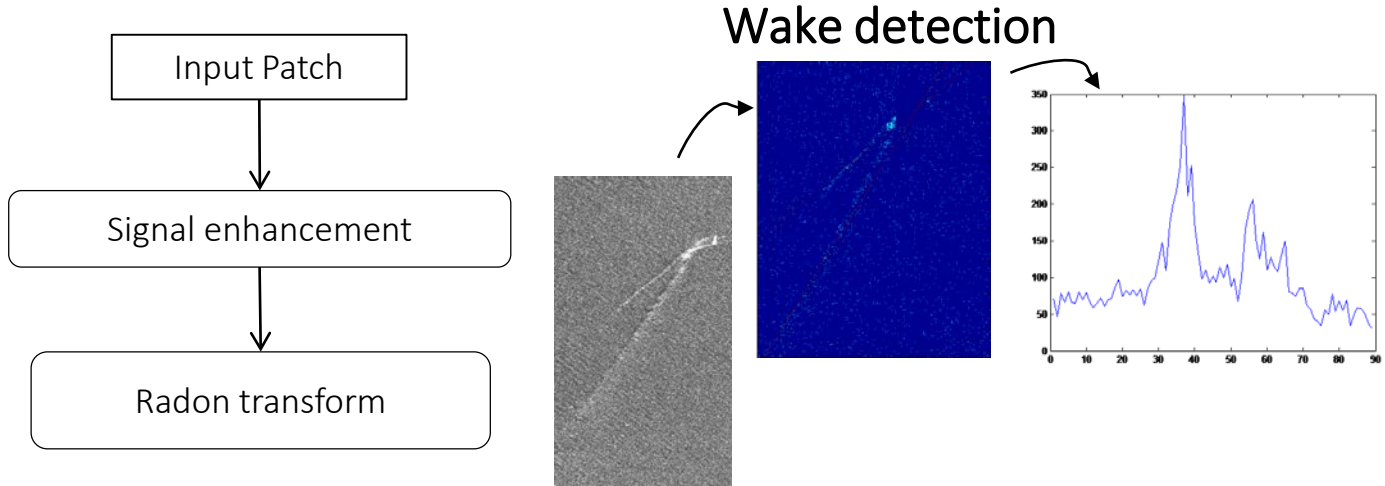
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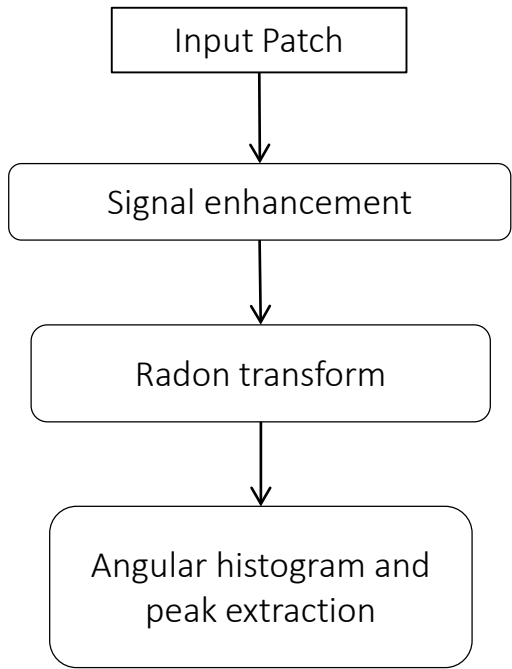
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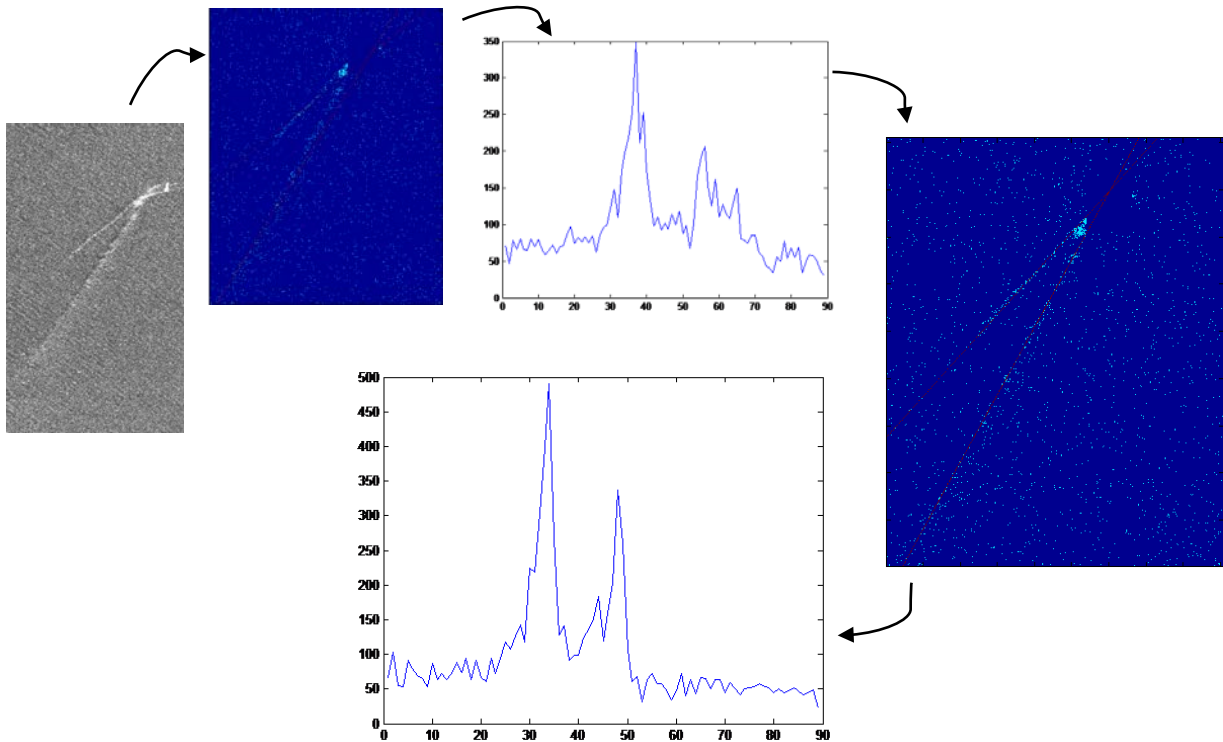
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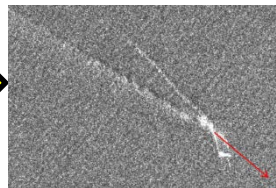
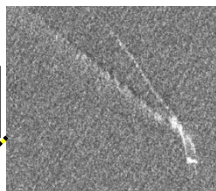
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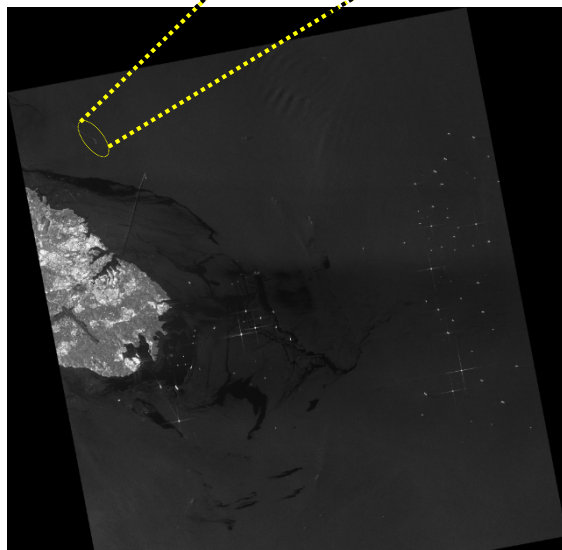


Kinematics – Velocity 1

Wake analysis



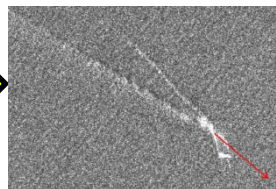
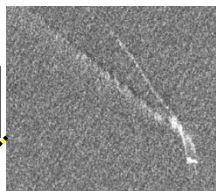
Velocity
Estimation - 1





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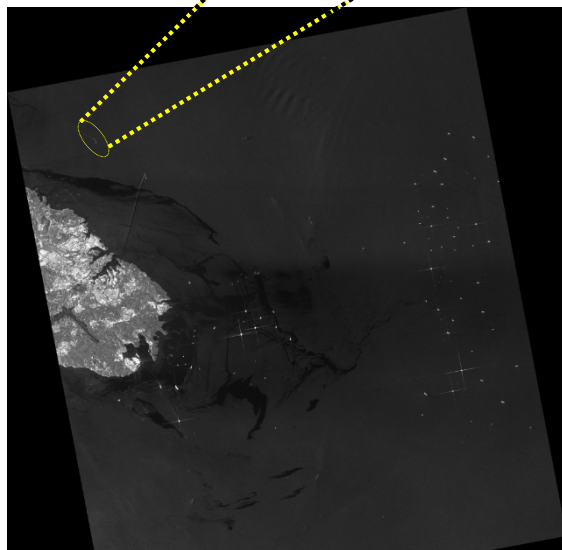
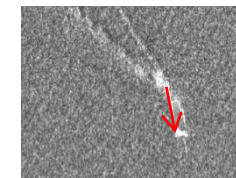
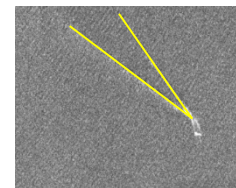
Wake analysis



Velocity
Estimation - 1

Line detection by RT

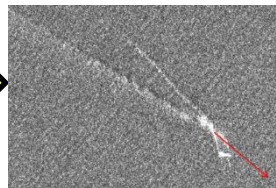
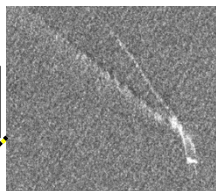
Estimate separation
between wake tip and ship
centroid



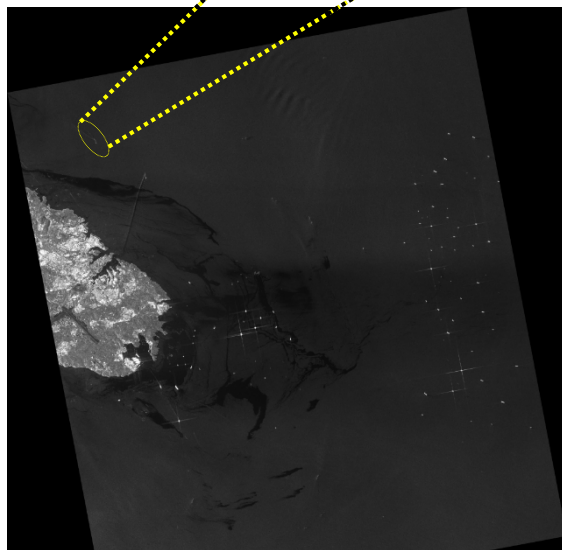


Kinematics – Velocity 2

Wake analysis

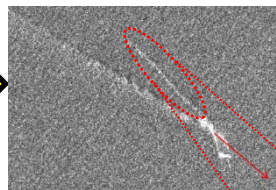
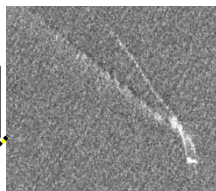


Velocity
Estimation - 2

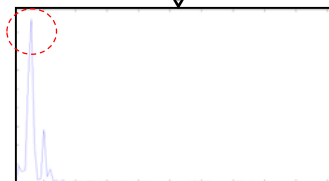
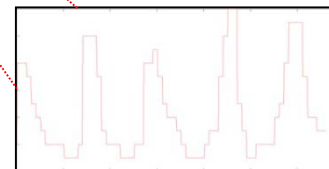
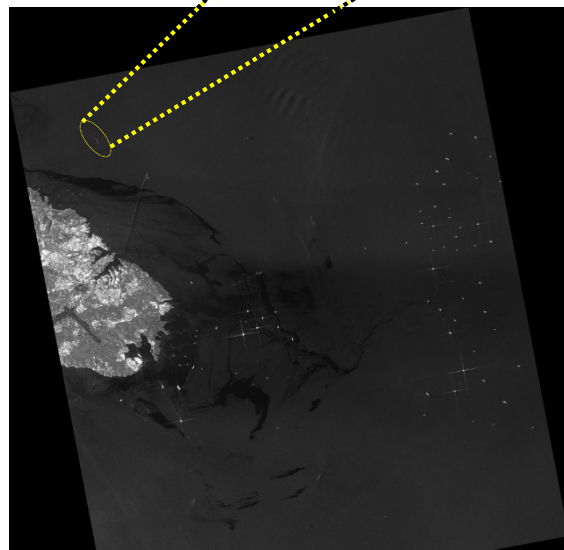


Kinematics – Velocity 2

Wake analysis



Velocity Estimation - 2



λ_{peak}

$$V_{ship} = \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{3}g\lambda_{peak}}{4\pi}}$$

Ship's wake cuts

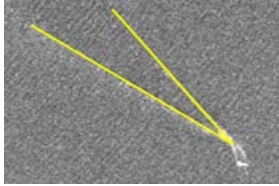
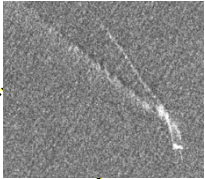
Cusp wave frequency analysis

Cusp wave λ peak

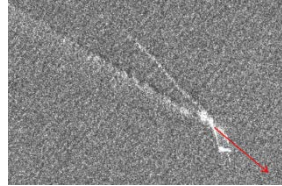


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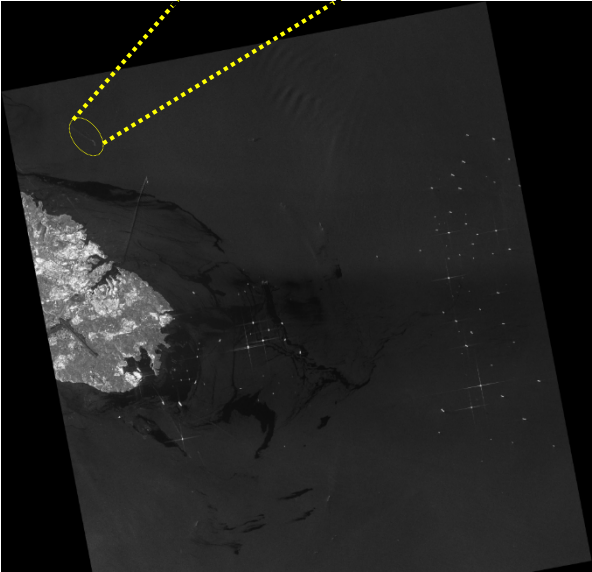
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Heading estimation



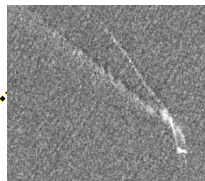
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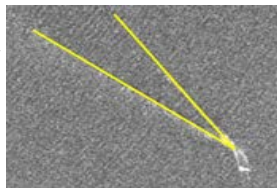


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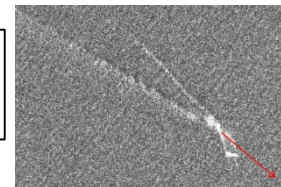
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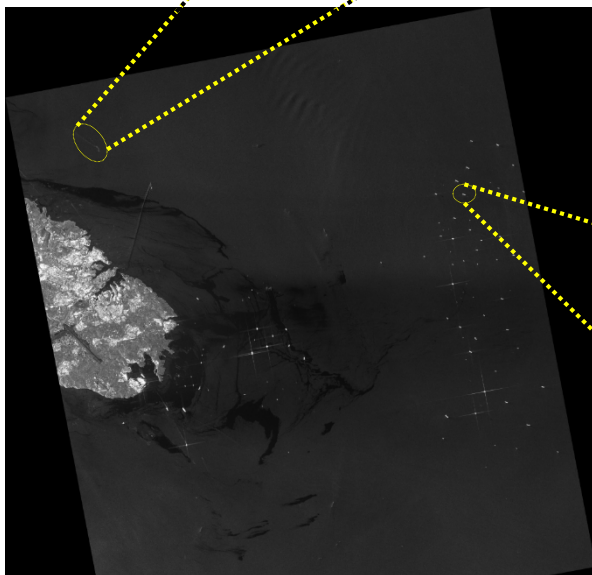
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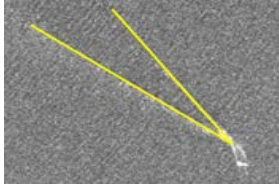
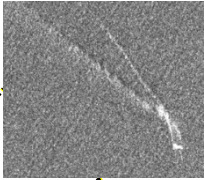
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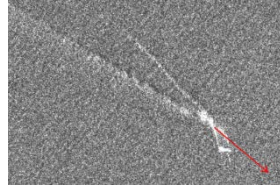


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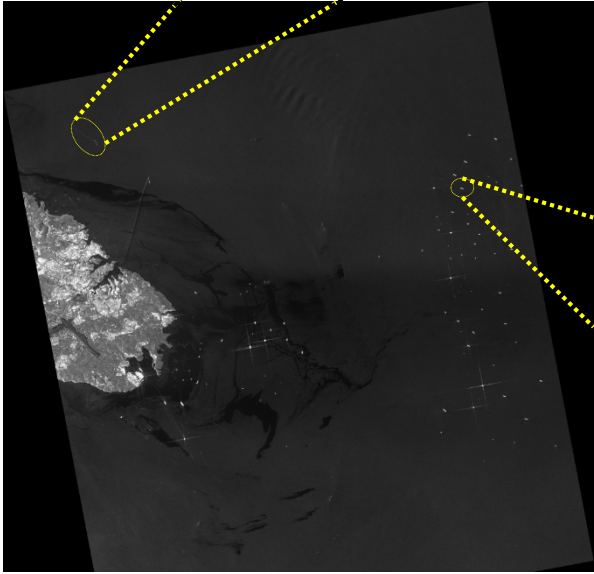
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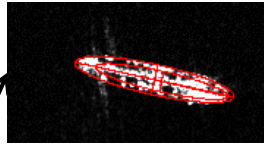
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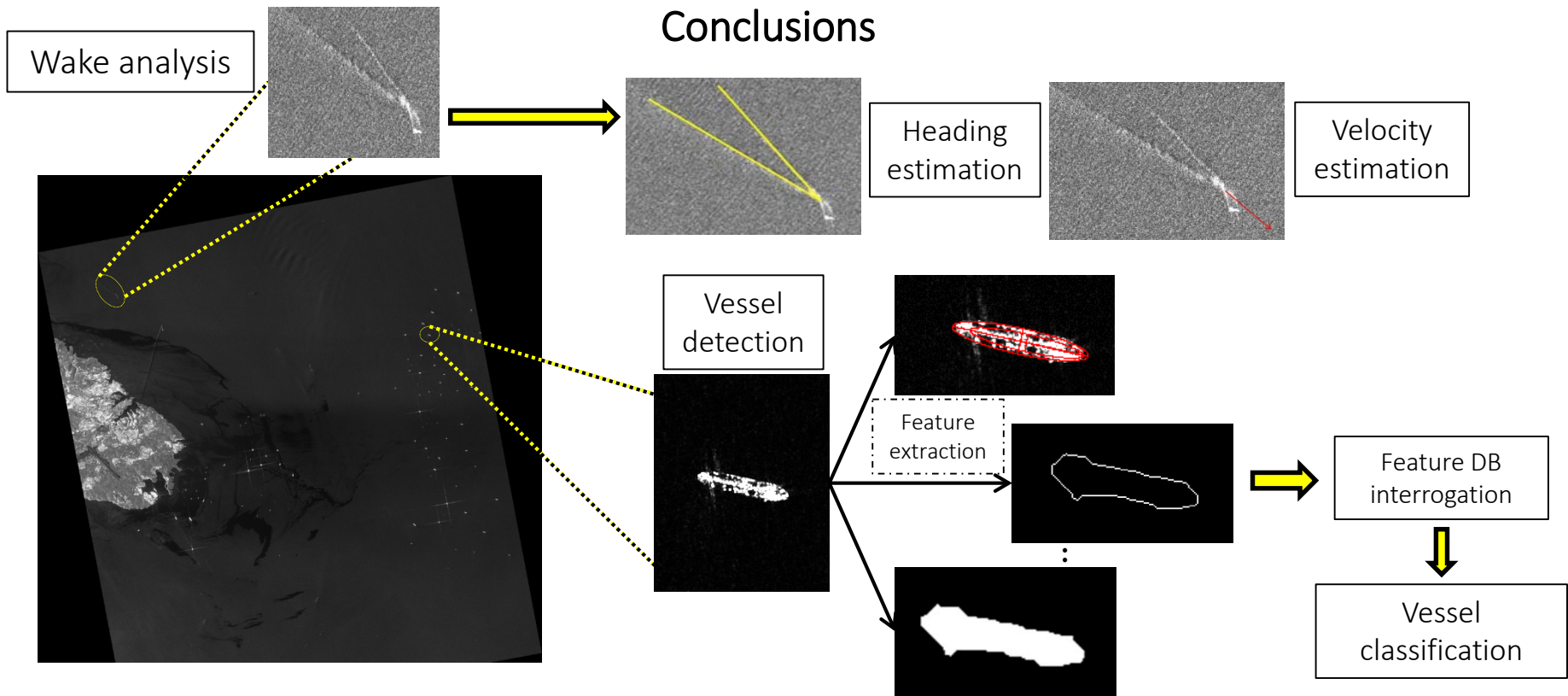


Vessel detection



Feature extraction





OSIRIS

Optical/SAR data and System Integration for Rush Identification of Ship models



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Thank you













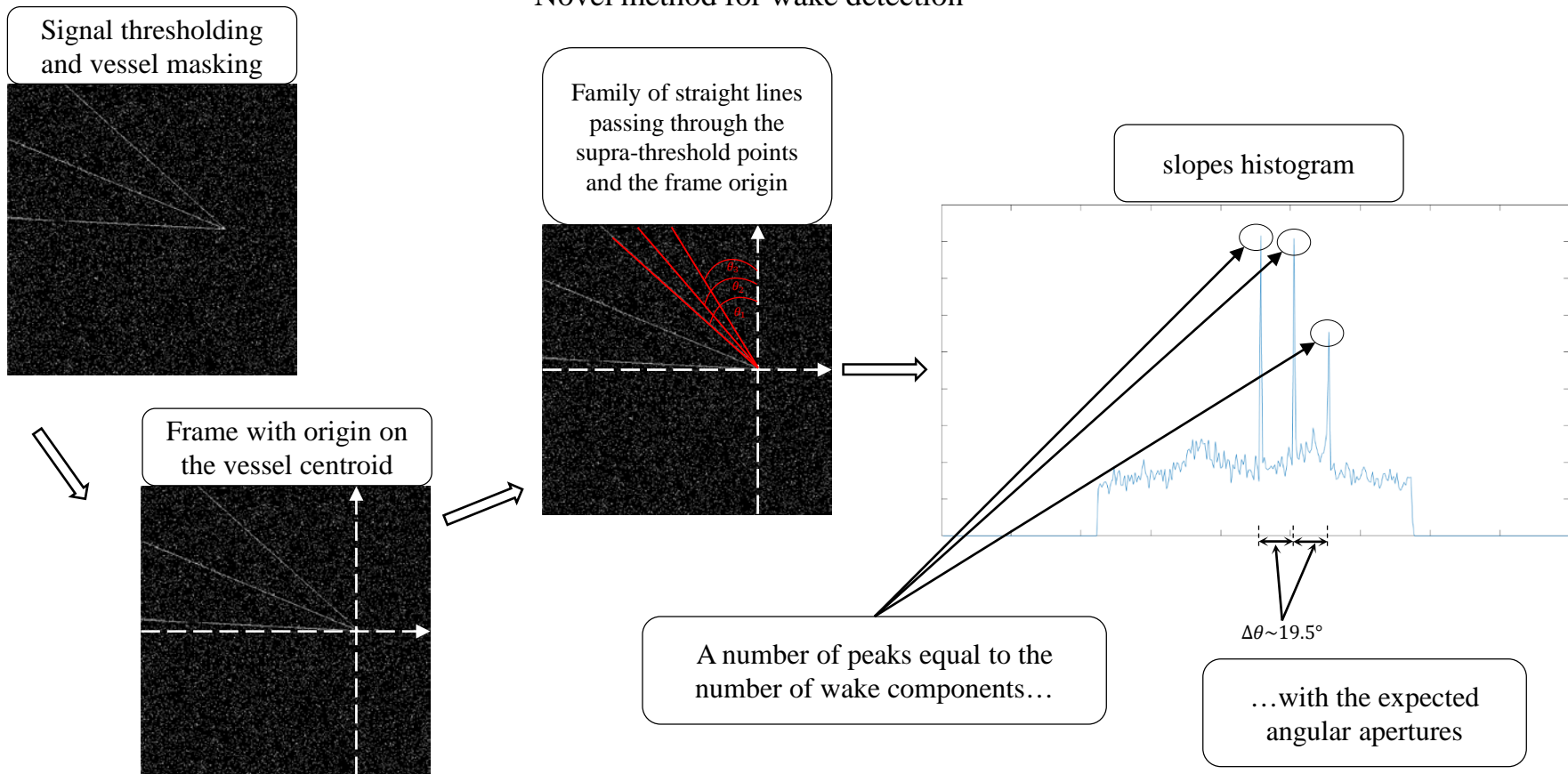


Wake pattern: SAR visual feature providing information about the vessel kinematics

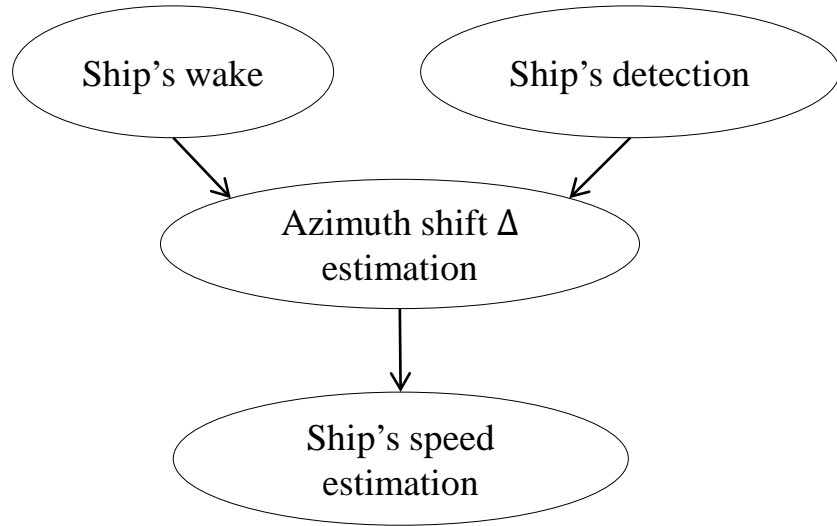


Stripmap HImage
5m px resolution

Novel method for wake detection



Ship's speed - 1

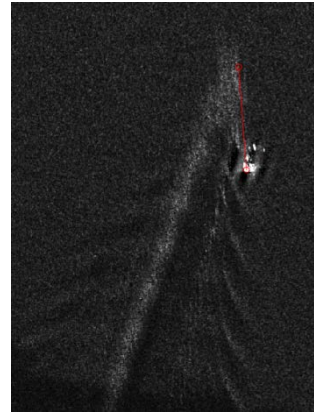


$$V_{sat} \approx 7.5 \cdot 10^3 \text{ m/s}$$

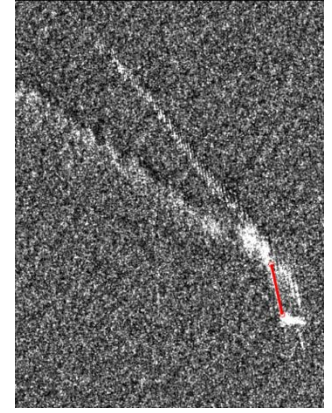
$$R \approx 704 \cdot 10^5 \text{ m}$$

$$V_{ship,r} = \frac{V_{sat} \cdot \Delta}{R}$$

Δ estimated from the image



$$\Delta \approx 1645 \text{ m}, V_{ship,r} \approx 33.95 \text{ kn}$$



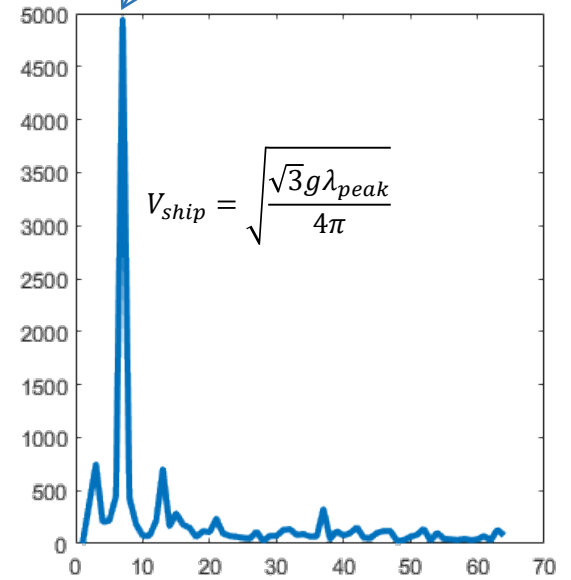
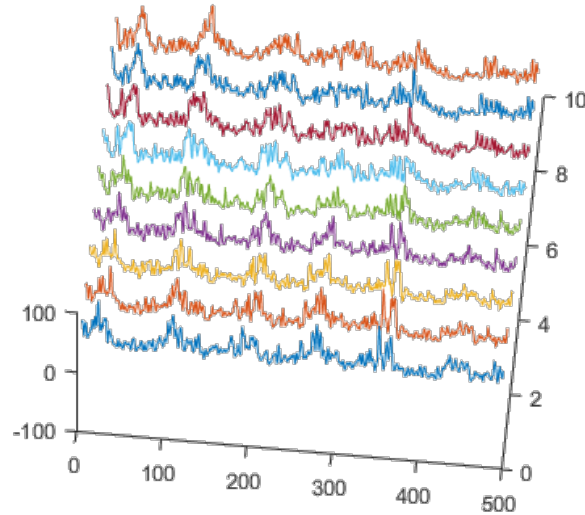
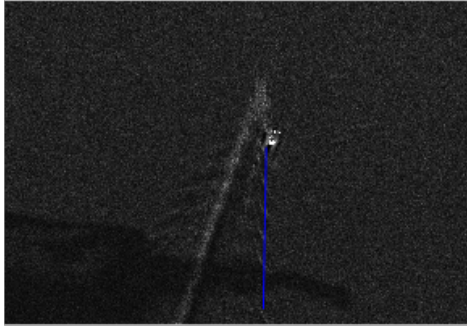
$$\Delta \approx 175 \text{ m}, V_{ship,r} \approx 3.63 \text{ kn}$$

Ship's speed - 2

Ship's wake

Cusp wave
frequency analysis

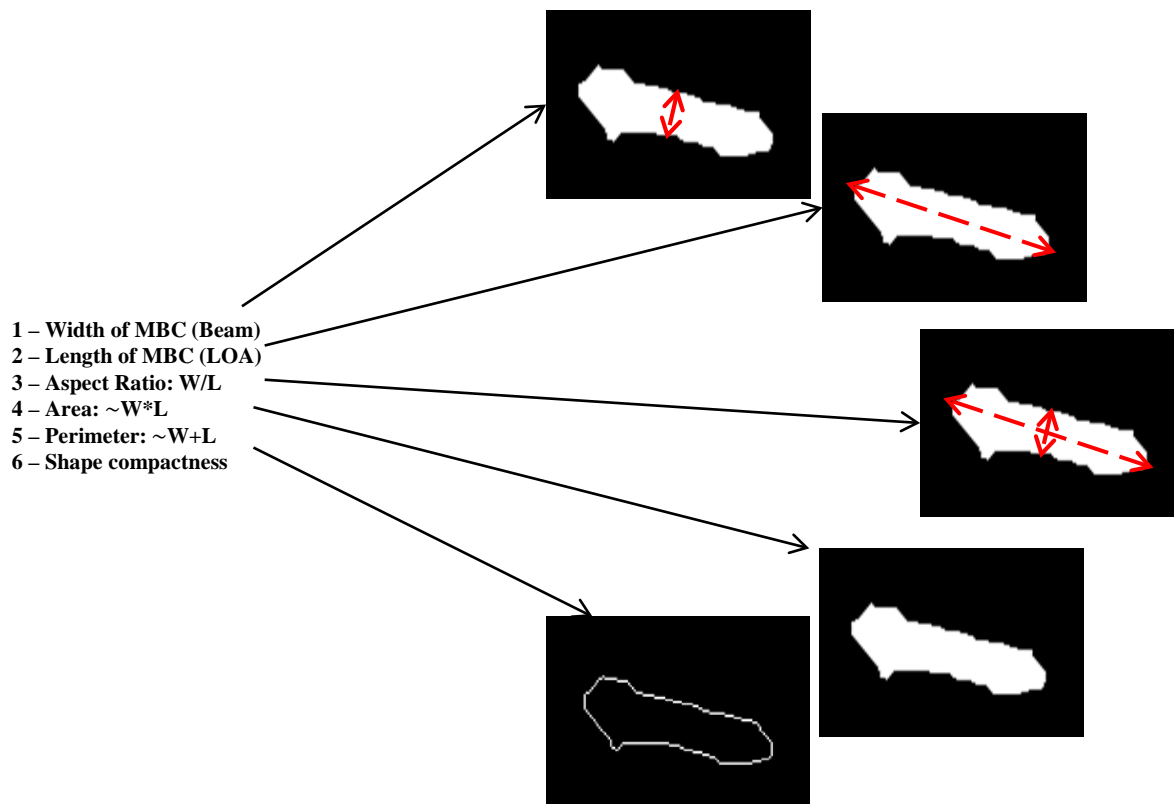
Cusp wave λ peak



Future Prospects

- Implementation of a novel method for wake detection in SAR maps
- Joint exploitation of wake analysis results and fine segmentation output

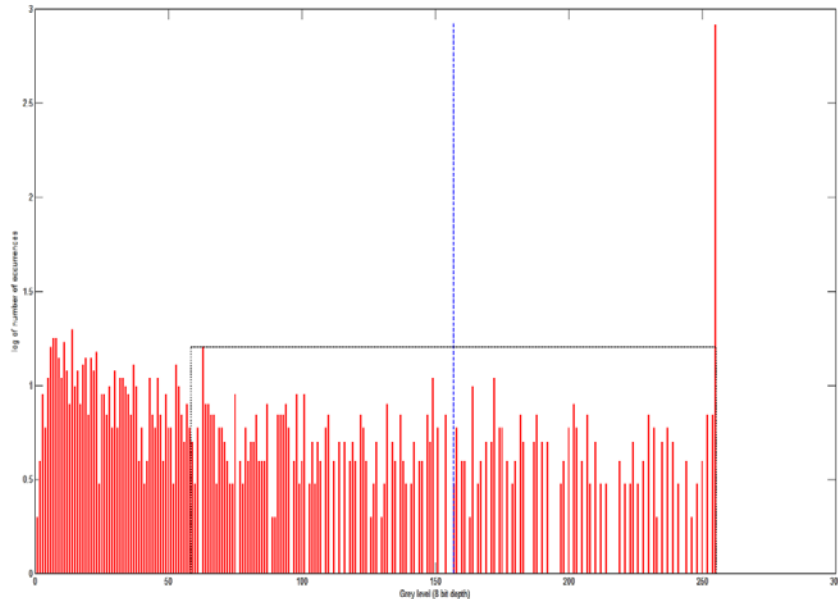
Morphological Features for classification



Radiometric Features for classification

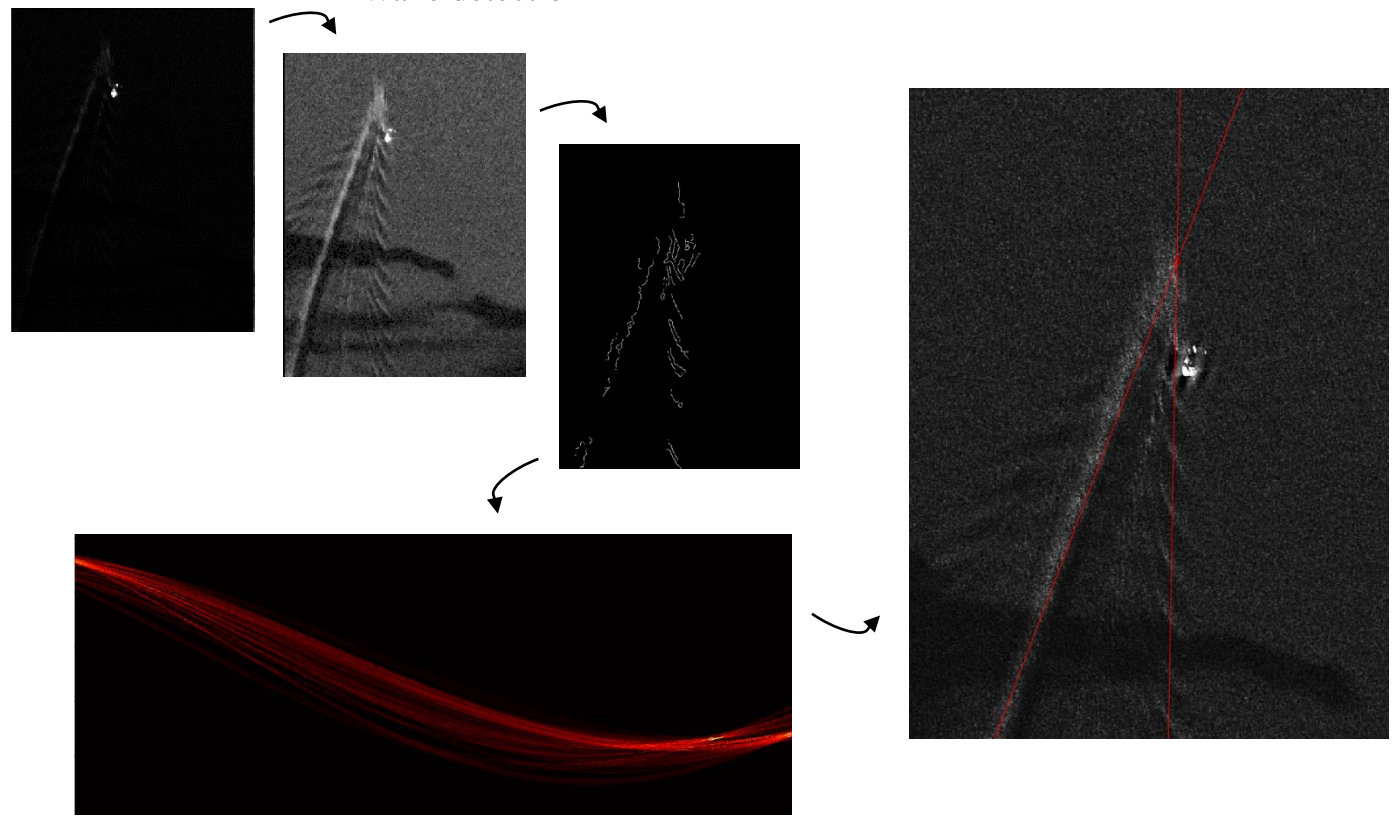
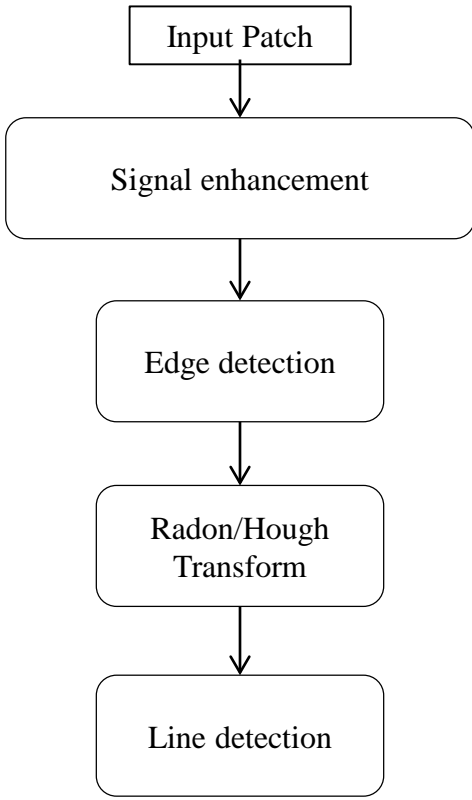


- 1 – Mean value of RCS
- 2 – Standard Deviation of RCS
- 3 – Ratio of Standard Deviation and Mean
- 4,5 – Normalized centers in x, y direction
- 6÷12 – Hu Invariant Moments
- 13 – Fractal dimension
- 14 – Power filling ratio
- 15 – Space filling ratio

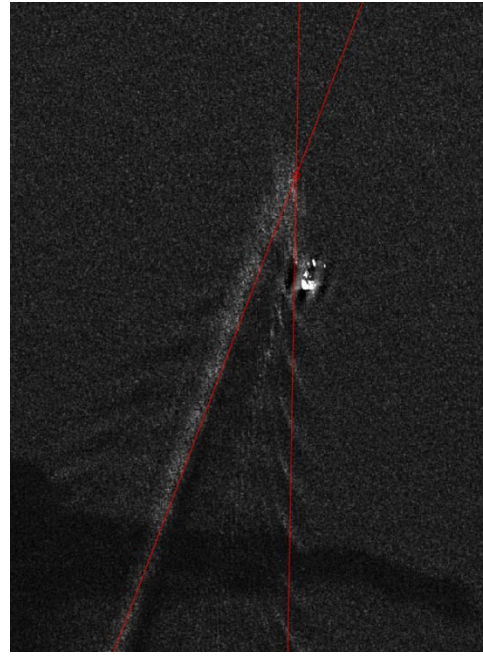


Features from SAR imaging

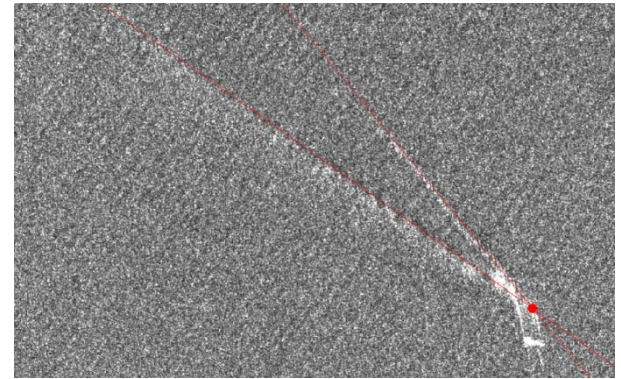
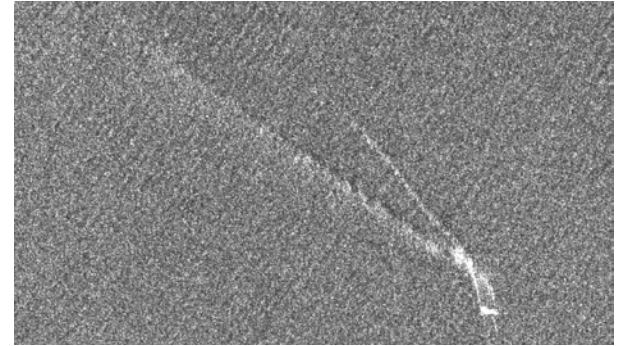
Wake detection



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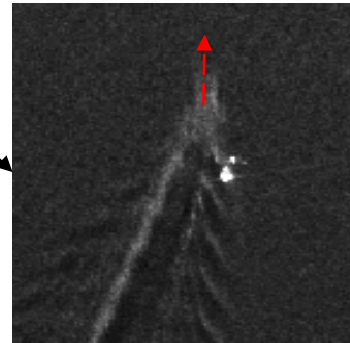
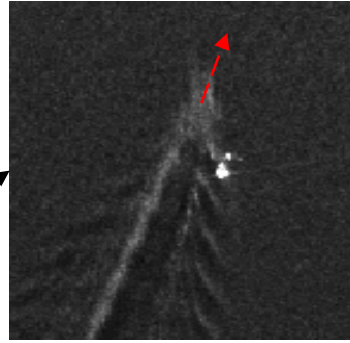
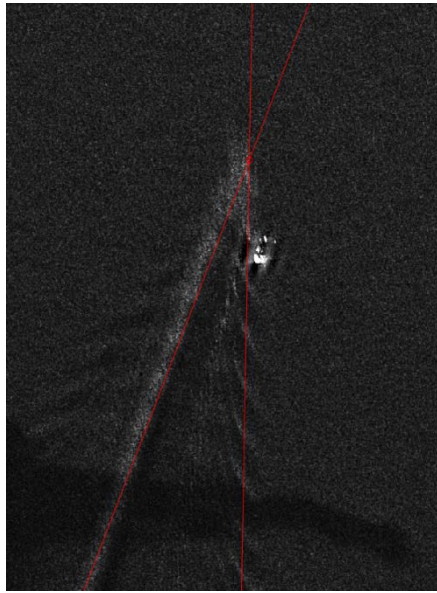


$\hat{\theta} = 19.5^\circ$



$\hat{\theta} = 17.75^\circ$

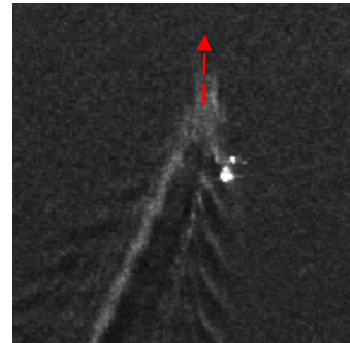
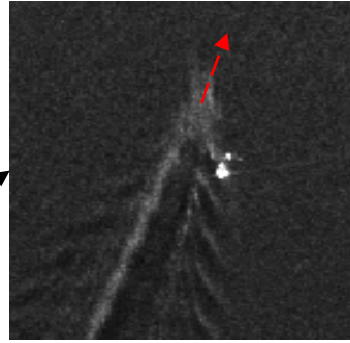
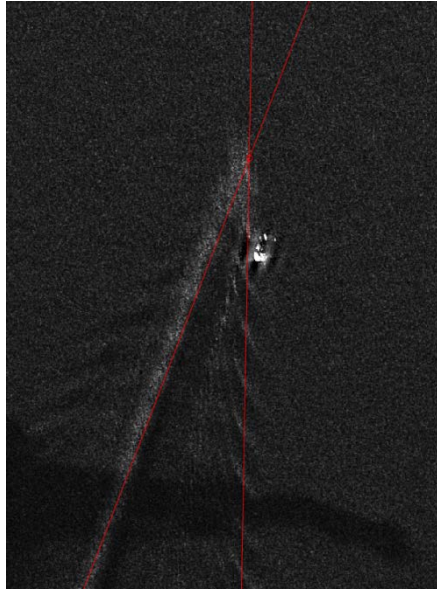
Heading



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