## SEN3APP:

Workshop on Remote Sensing Products of the Cryosphere using Sentinels

Ice Velocity from Sentinel-1 data, glacier velocity service by **GAMMA Remote Sensing AG** 

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### **Outline**

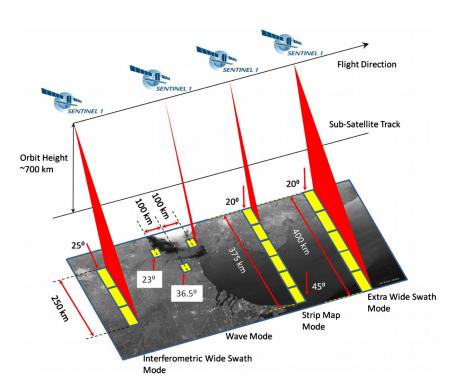
- Sentinel-1 Data
- Production
- Products and Services Examples (Svalbard, Canadian Arctic, Kyagar Glacier)
- Other related Products within SEN3APP

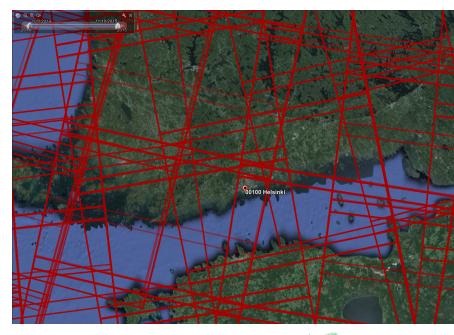




#### **Sentinel-1** Data

- 12 day revisit, soon constellation
- Day/night capability and independent of weather
- Free access on Sentinel data (no direct data costs)









### **Ice Velocity Map Production**

- Based on advanced feature tracking algorithm
- Possible with high and medium resolution data, SLC and GRD
- Data selected from SEN3APP (FMI) or ESA Science Hub
- Product Generation
  - Velocity Map
  - Velocity 2D Vector
  - Time Series of selected points
  - Quality Information
- Limitations
  - Spatial Resolution → min. size of glacier
  - Contrast in image needed
  - Wet/dry snow, changing backscatter conditions

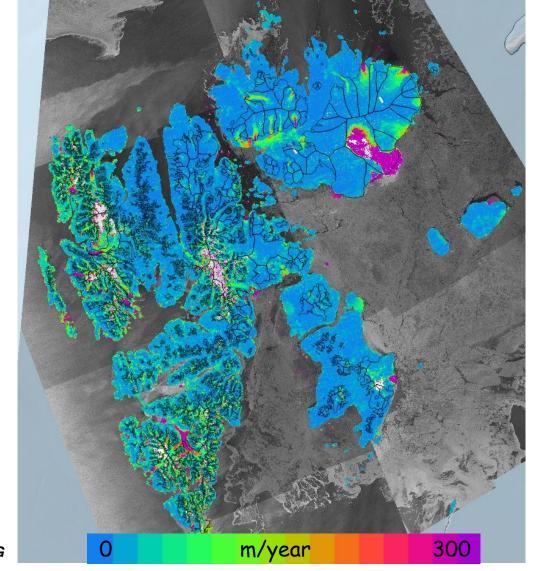






## **Example Svalbard Sentinel-1**

• 21/22 January 2015 - 02/03 February 2015







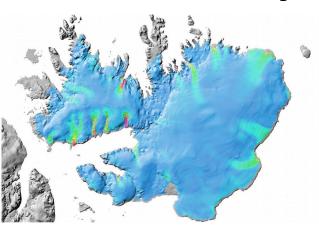


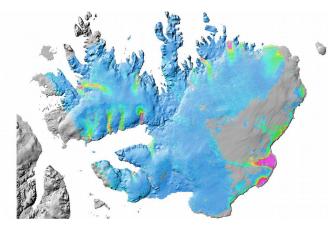
### Nordaustland (Svalbard) – Historical evolution from 1995 to 2015

ERS-1/2 1995/1996 InSAR & offset-tracking

JERS-1 1997 offset-tracking

ALOS PALSAR 2008 offset-tracking

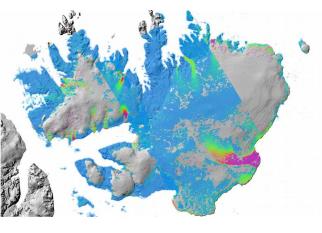


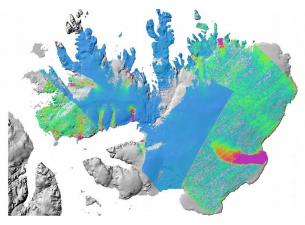


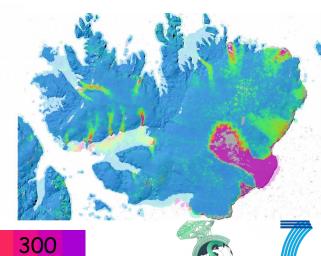
ALOS PALSAR 2010 offset-tracking

ERS-2 2011
InSAR & offset-tracking

Sentinel-1 2015 offset-tracking





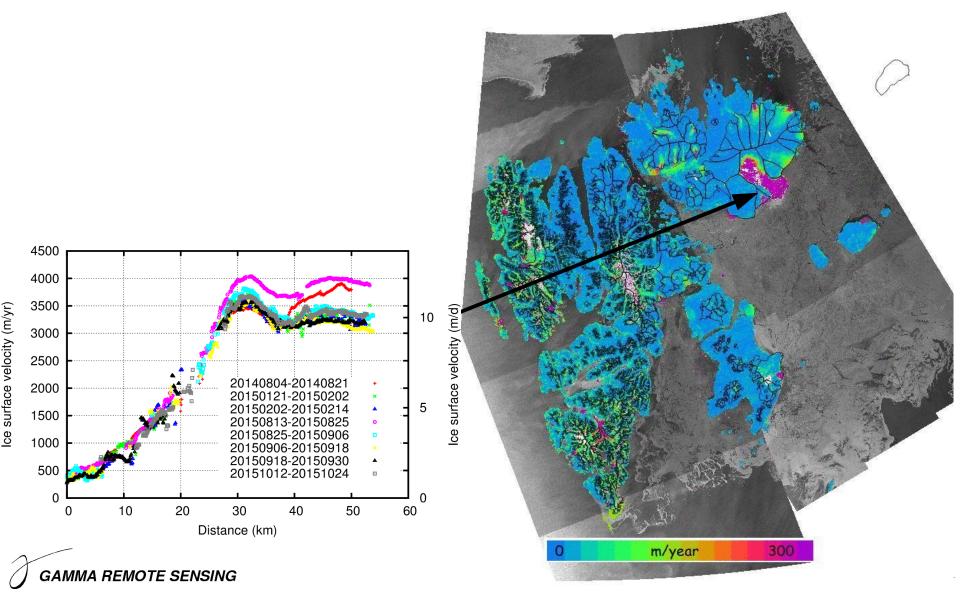


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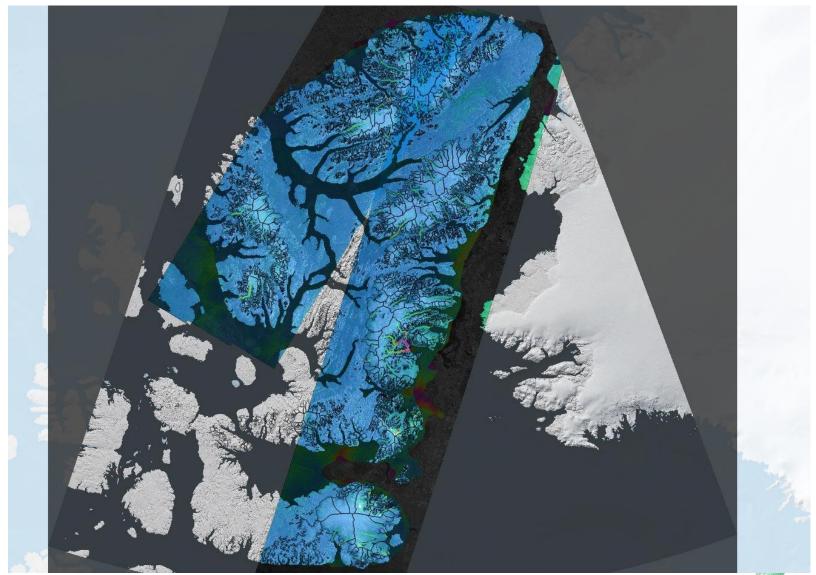
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### Svalbard – Recent Evolution from Sentinel-1

Sentinel-1 21/22-01-02/03-02-2015



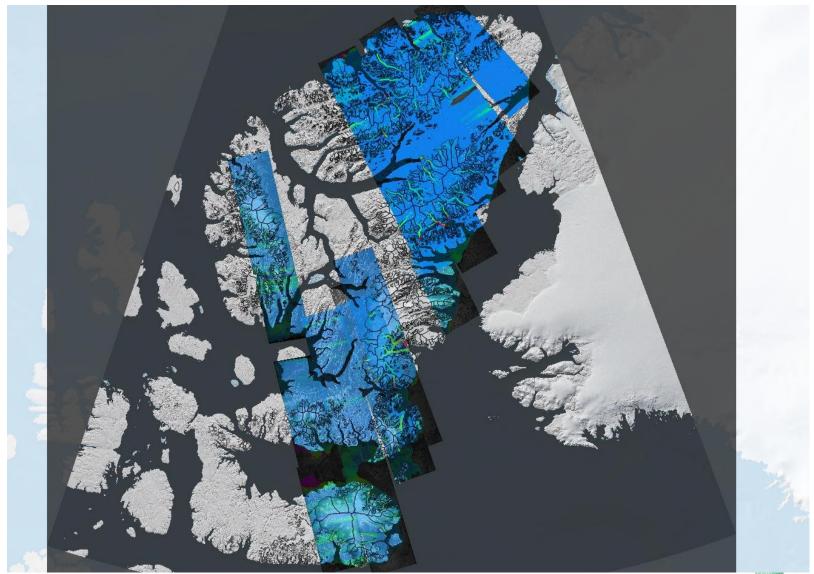
## **Example Canadian Arctic – Sentinel-1 Winter 2015**







# Example Canadian Arctic – ALOS PALSAR Winter 2007-2011



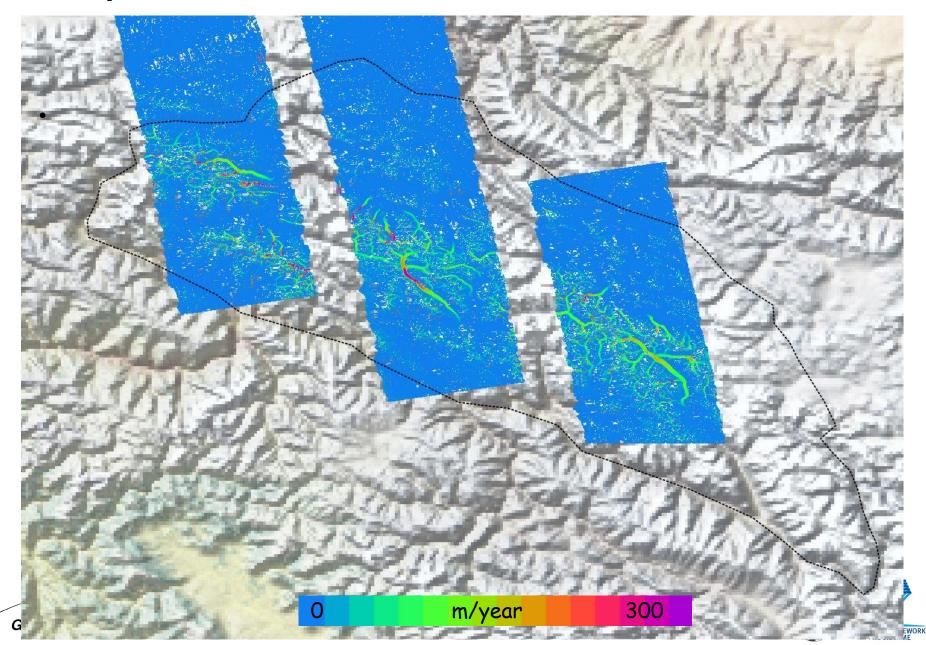


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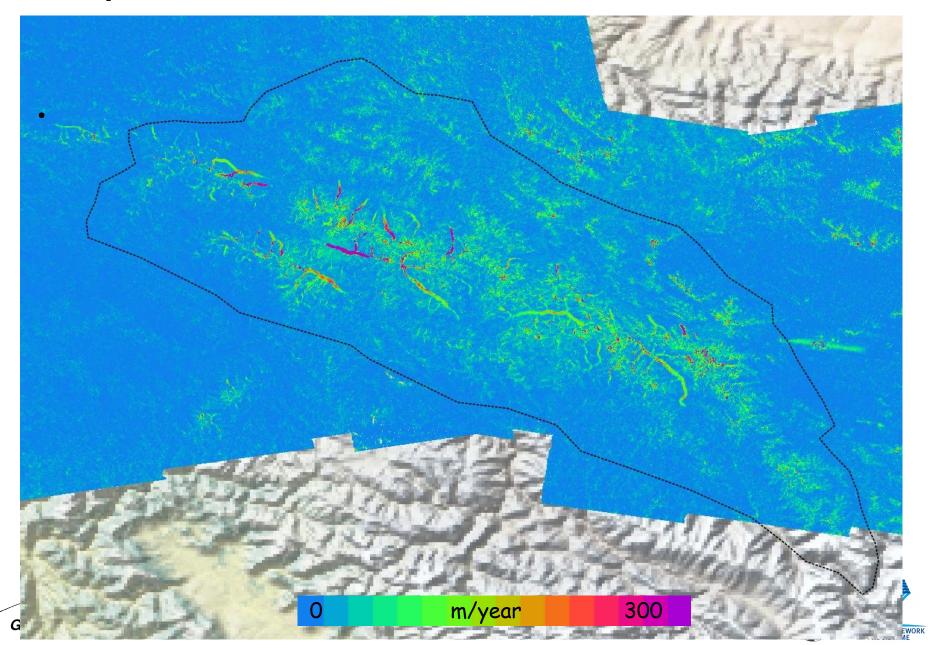
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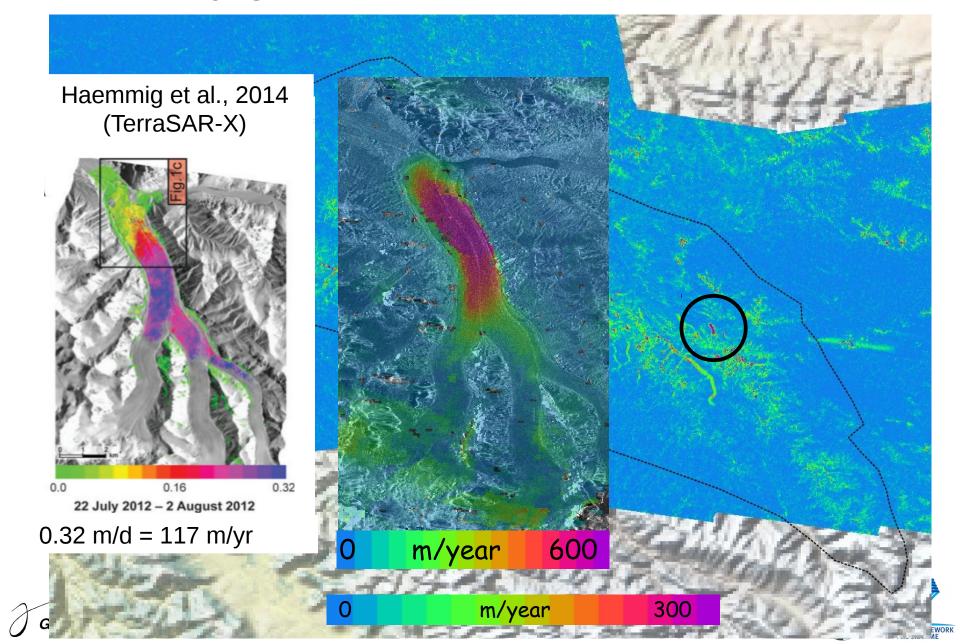
# **Example Karakoram – ALOS PALSAR Winter 2008**



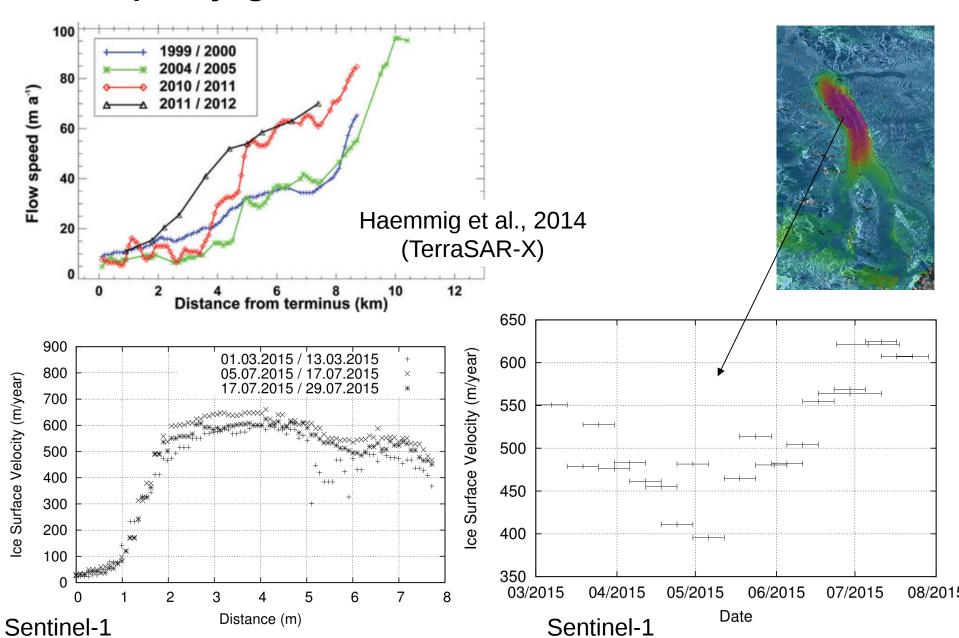
# **Example Karakoram – Sentinel-1 Winter 2015**



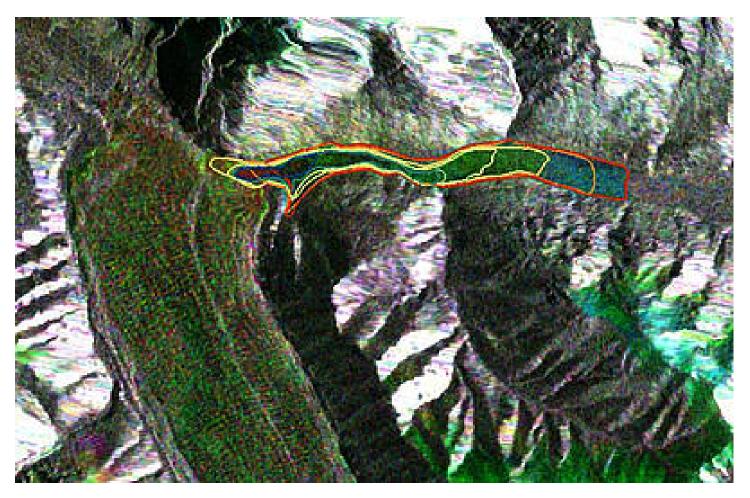
## **Example Kyagar Glacier – Sentinel-1 Winter 2015**



## **Example Kyagar Glacier – Sentinel-1 2015**



### **Example Kyagar Glacier – Sentinel-1 Winter 2015**



Sentinel-1 RGB composite of 23 July (red), 11 July (blue), 17 June (green) 2015

Lake outlines 17 June, 23 June, 24 June, 5 July, 11 July, 18 July, 23 July 2015 (max length about 4km)





## **Conclusion GAMMA Sentinel-1 Ice Velocity Map**

- Based on Sentinel-1 data that are day/night and weather independent
- Data are available usually within a few days after acquisition
- High repeat rate of 12 days allows frequent observation if necessary (e.g. surging glaciers)







## GAMMA SEN3APP services based on Sentinel-1 (research)

- Lake Ice state
  - Binary map of lake ice state (open water, floating ice, grounded and potentially frazil ice)
  - Seasonal product
- Water Bodies
  - Binary map of water and land classification. The water class refers to open and permanent inland water bodies (rivers, lakes, impoundments)
  - Seasonal product
- Freeze/Thaw
  - Time series of backscatter/coherence values indicating freeze/thaw for selected points
  - Annual product







