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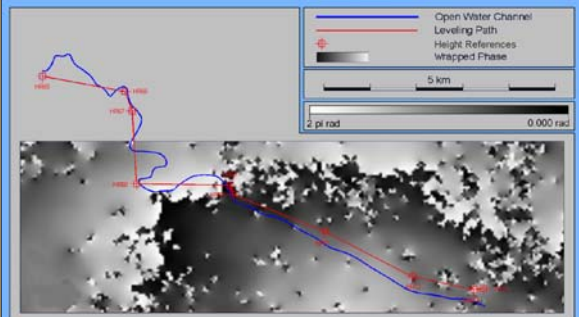
Objectives

1. Extracting deformations induced by tectonic activity along one dimensional features from 2D interferogram images
2. Rendering SAR interferogram – derived deformations quantitatively useful
3. Verification and Evaluation by means of conventional terrestrial surveying methods



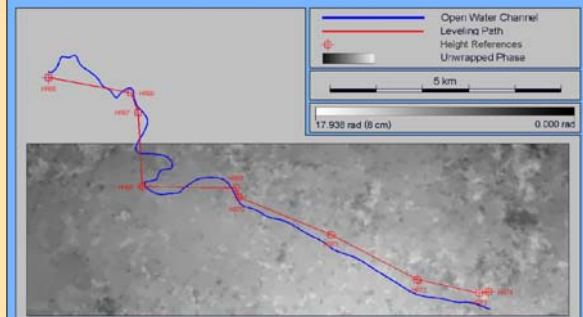
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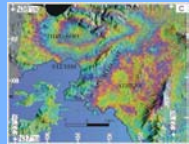
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InSAR Processing

Image	Orbit #	Acquisition Date/Time	Frame #	Track #	Altitude of Ambiguity h_a	DTM	
Master	17854	19/09/1998 09:06:51 UTC	2835	465	67.236 m	Resolution	Height Std. Dev.
Slave	23365	09/10/1999 09:56:47 UTC	2835	465		50 m	10 m



Terrestrial Height Measurements

1984: Measurement of Vertical Network with Heighting Triangulation
2001: Re-surveying of Vertical Network with Leveling

Vertical Network Apex (Point)	Height Differences between 2001 - 1984 (m)
HR65-HR66	-0.008
HR66-HR67	-0.003
HR67-HR68	-0.021
HR68-HR69	-0.004
HR69-HR70	-0.005
HR70-HR71	-0.003
HR71-HR72	-0.001
HR72-HR73	-0.003
HR73-HR74	-0.001



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Interferogram – Terrestrial Height Differences Measurements Incompatibilities

1. InSAR processing provides wrapped interferograms, which means that not the full phase difference is provided, but only its fractional part.
2. InSAR does not provide the true vertical differential deformations, but their projection on LOS.
3. In this particular case, the reference systems of the leveling and the InSAR work, are different. InSAR interferograms are in ED 50 UTM 34, while the total of the leveling work was completed and its outcome expressed in HGRS 87 map coordinates.
4. The interferograms are corrupted by noise, which – mainly due to temporal decorrelation – may reach extremely high levels (perhaps even 1π), a fact that is a potential threat for the reliability of point wise displacement extraction.

