Long-term flood monitoring system using Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) imagery in tropical climate region: Cambodia as a test case



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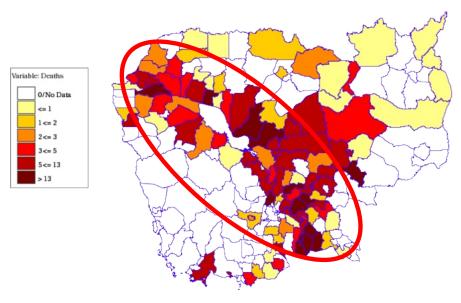








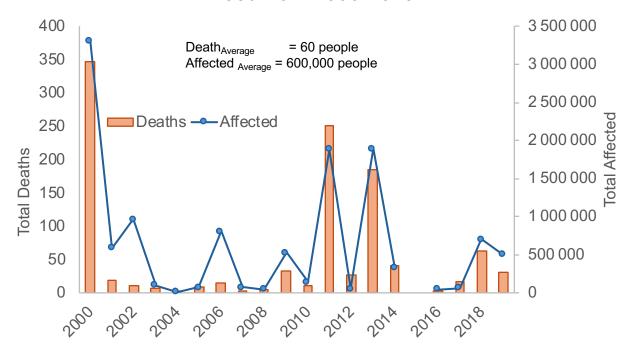
Floods and its consequences



Source: Cambodia Disaster Damage & Loss Information System (CamDi). https://camdi.ncdm.gov.kh/

Cambodia is one of the most disaster-prone countries, especially by *flood hazard* due to its low-laying terrain and large central flood plain.

Reported Death and Affected People Caused by Flood from 2000-2019



Deaths Reported by Commune

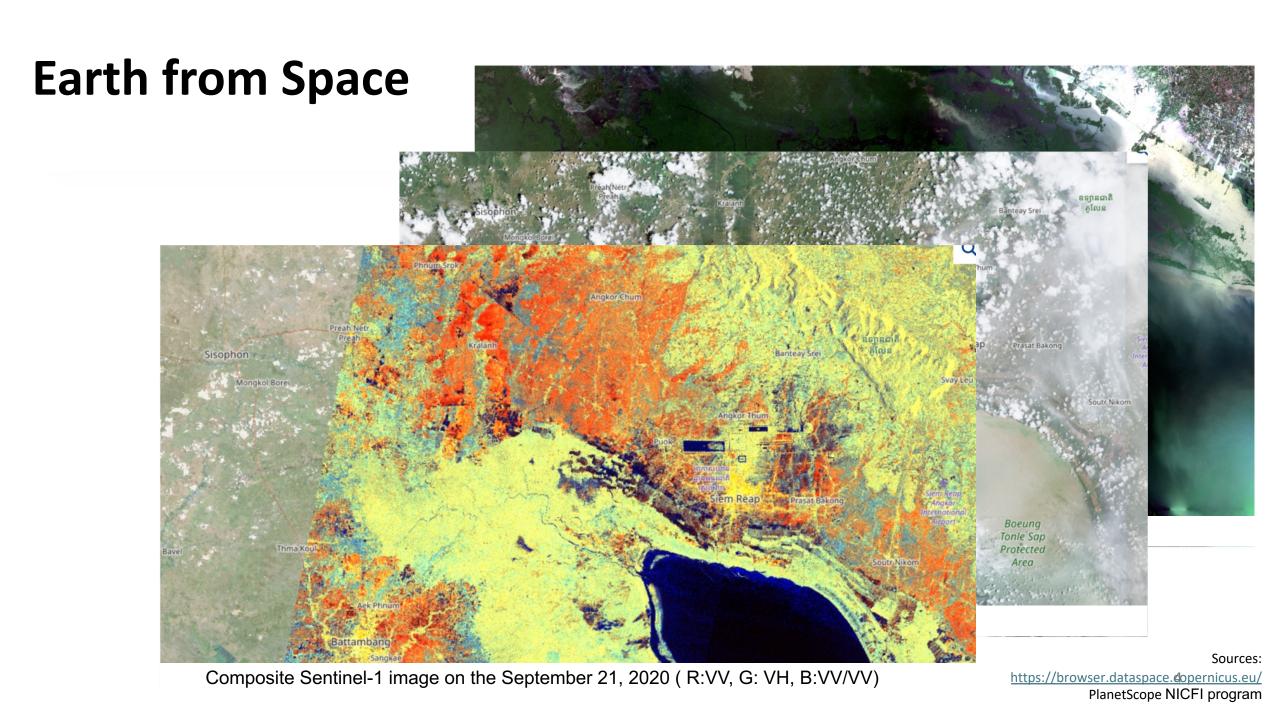
Communes located along central flood plain are highly vulnerable during and after flood events.

Lives on WATER



 Socio-Economic disruption due to infrastructures vulnerable to flooding (e.g., school, health center, and access roads).

 Increase the risk of transmitting water-related diseases such as leptospirosis, or alter the ecology of mosquito-borne diseases such as dengue fever.



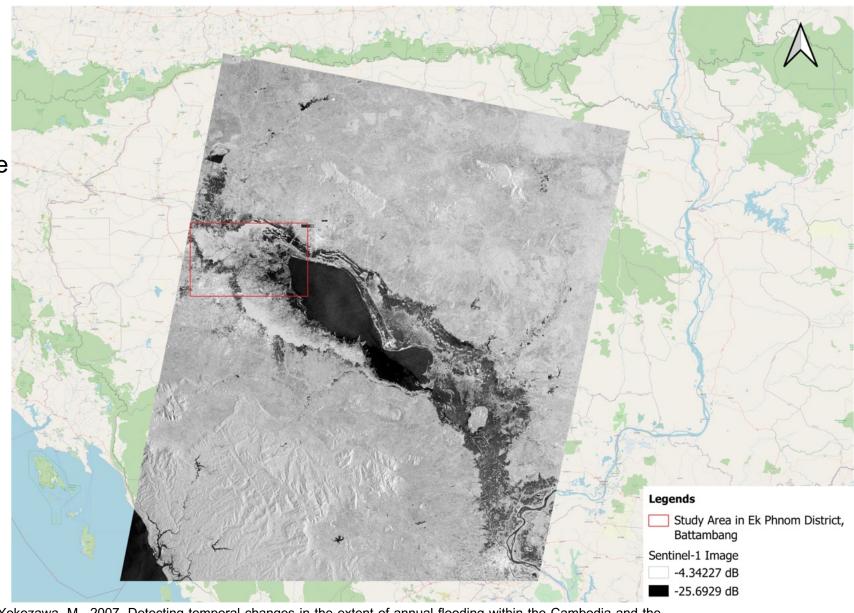
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Study area: located in Ek Phnom district, Battambang province, Cambodia. This area is laying over the flood plain of Tonle Sap Lake and affected by seasonal flood every year.

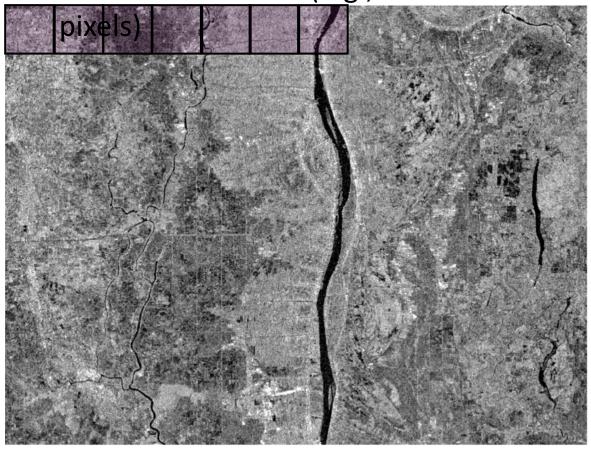
Flood Detection Approaches:

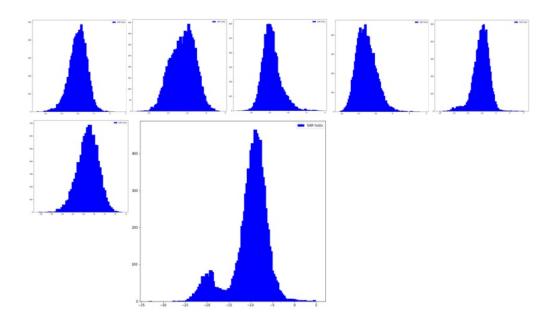
Thresholding + Region growing

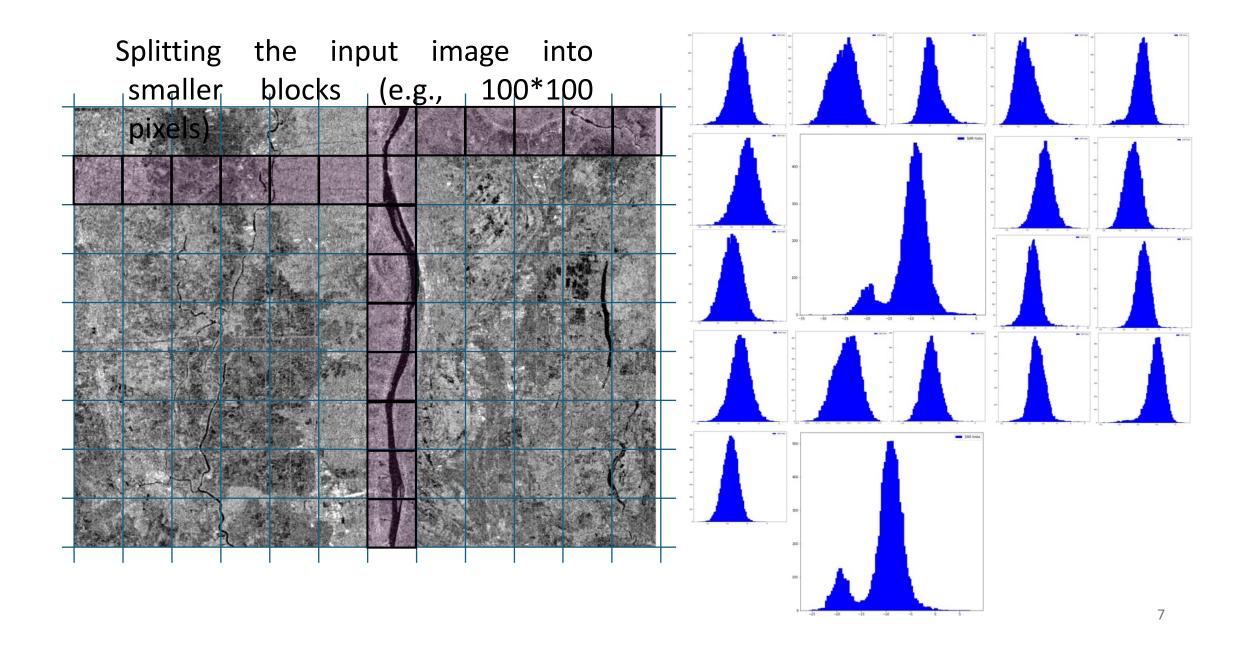
Evaluation: comparison with MODIS sensor (Sakamoto et al., 2007).

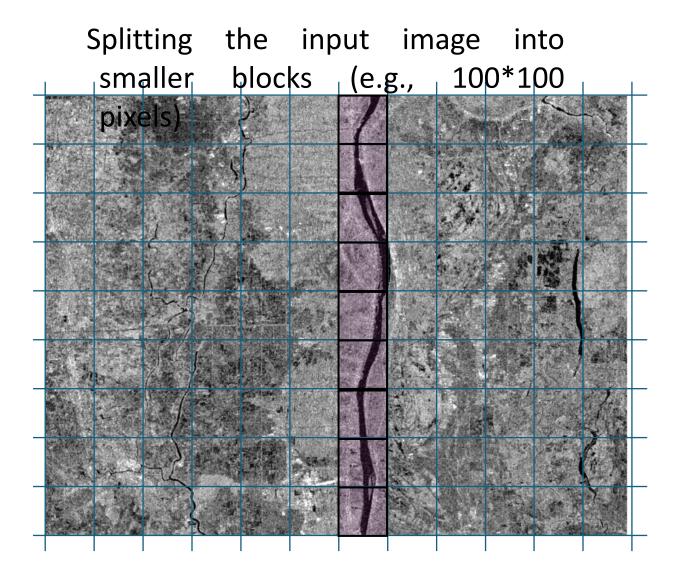


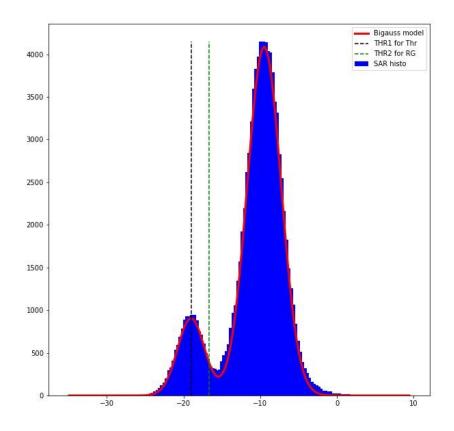
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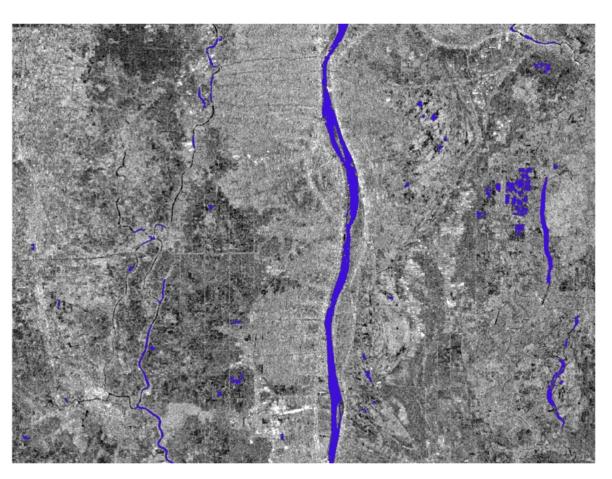




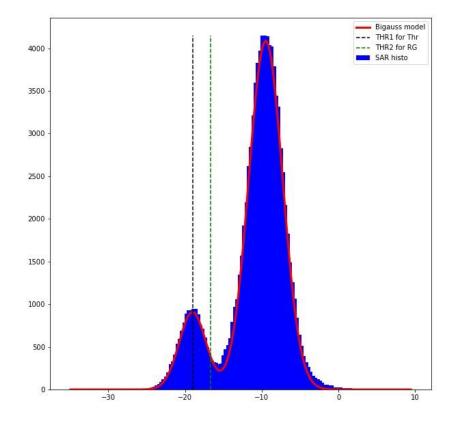




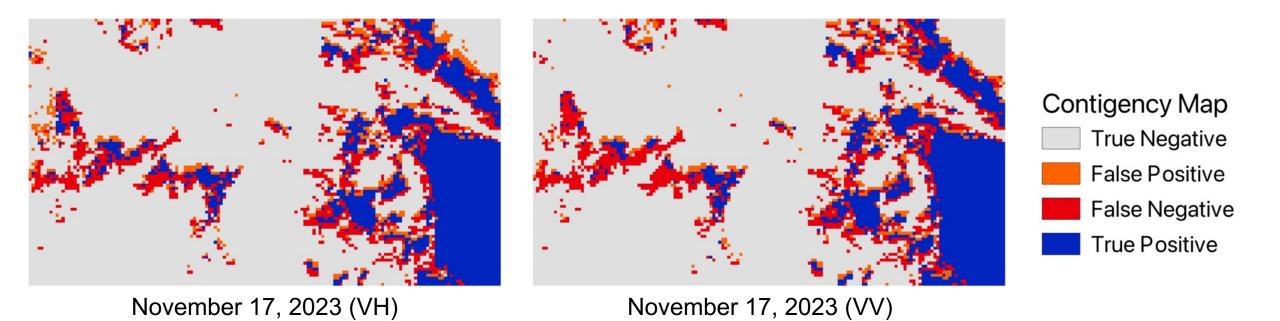
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The algorithm also integrates Change Detection on the same principle and will soon integrate VV and VH polarization



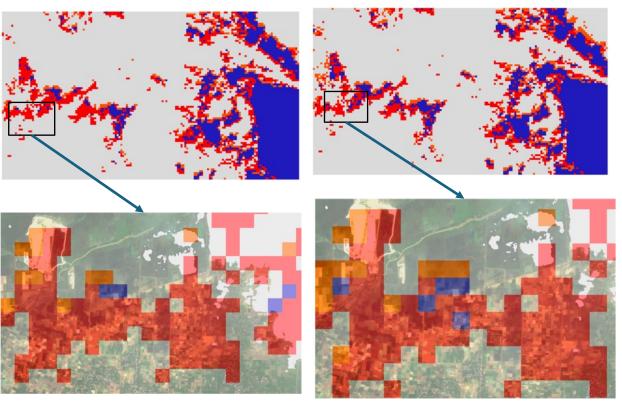
Results and Discussion



OA	PA Water	PA Non-Water	UA Water	UA Non-Water
0.8536	0.6113	0.9412	0.79	0.87
0.8533	0.5942	0.947	0.8023	0.8658

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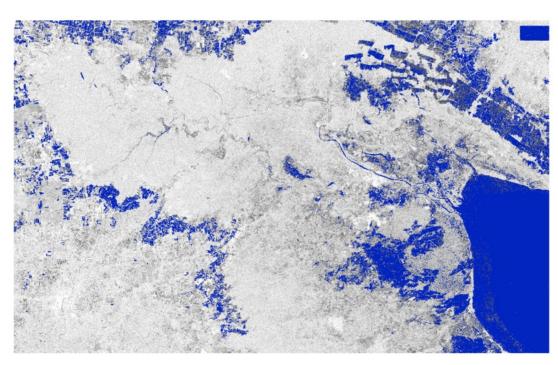




2023-11-17 (VH) 2023-11-17 (VV)

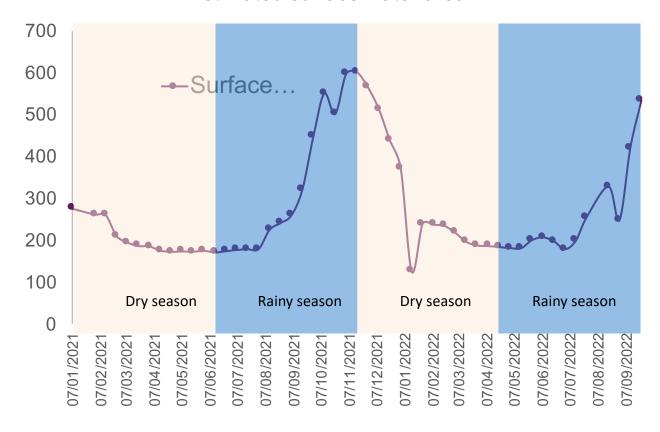


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Flood Water Extend derived from VV 23/09/2022

Estimated surface water area in km²



Conclusions

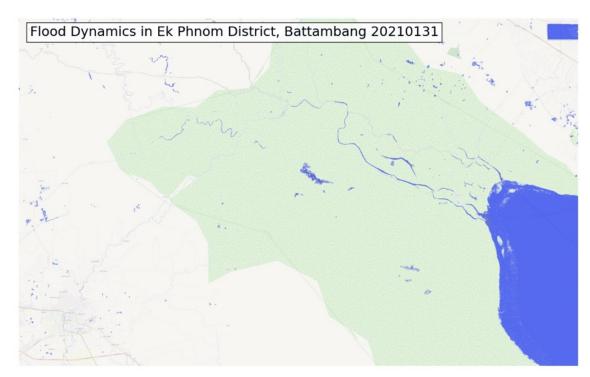
Technical aspect:

- All-weather capability: Sentinel-1's radar imaging works in cloudy and night conditions.
- Dataset accessibility: Free and long-term accessible, high resolution and short revisit time.
- Algorithm allows rapid detection to classify surface water without ground knowledges.

Perspectives:

Integrate with flood risk and water resources
management, as well as for health surveillance system.

Time series of flood extend maps derived from SAR images



Dynamic of flood extend derived from Sentinel-1 (2021-2022) images in Ek Phnom district, Battambang.











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