





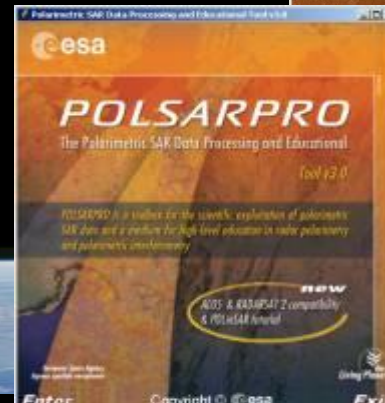
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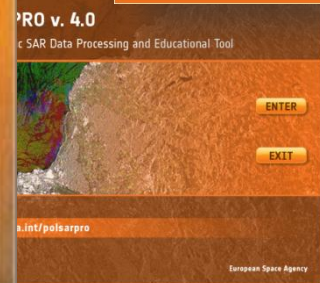
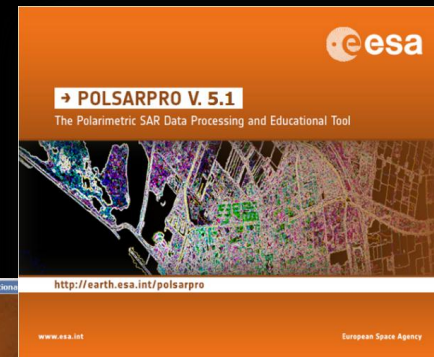
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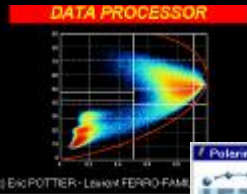
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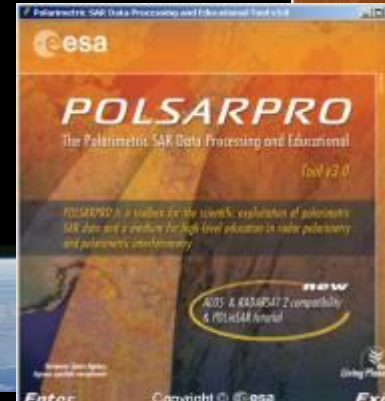
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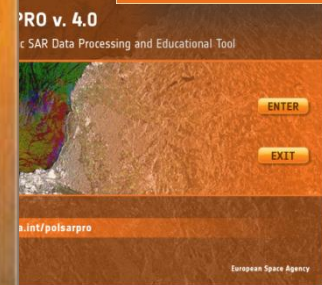
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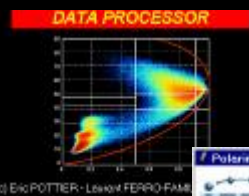
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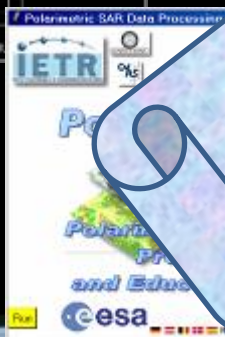


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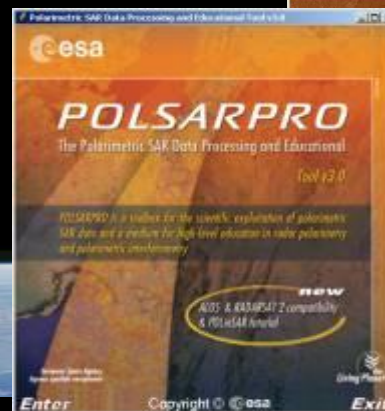
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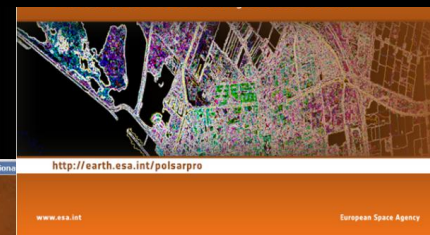
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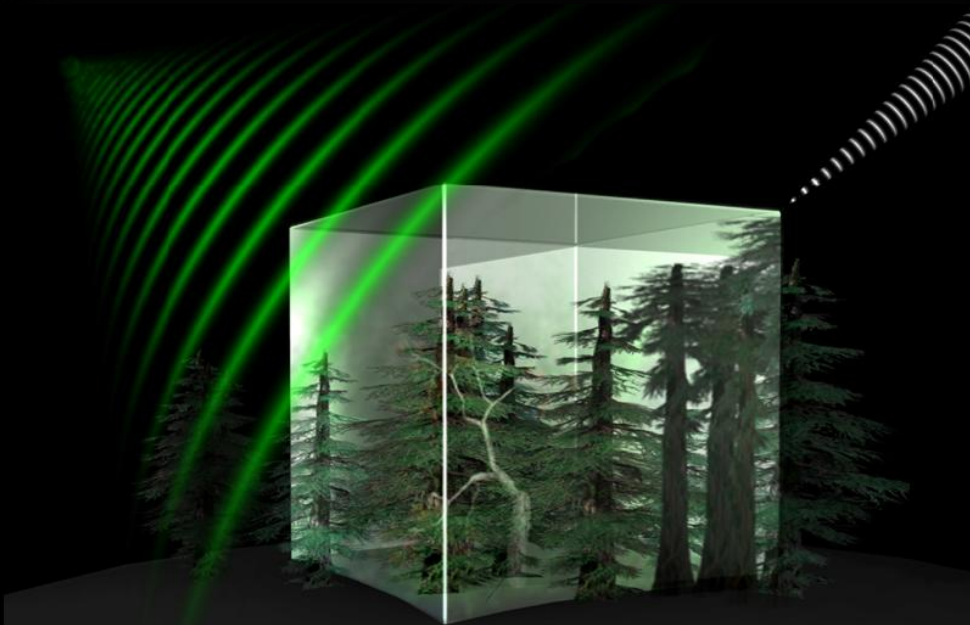
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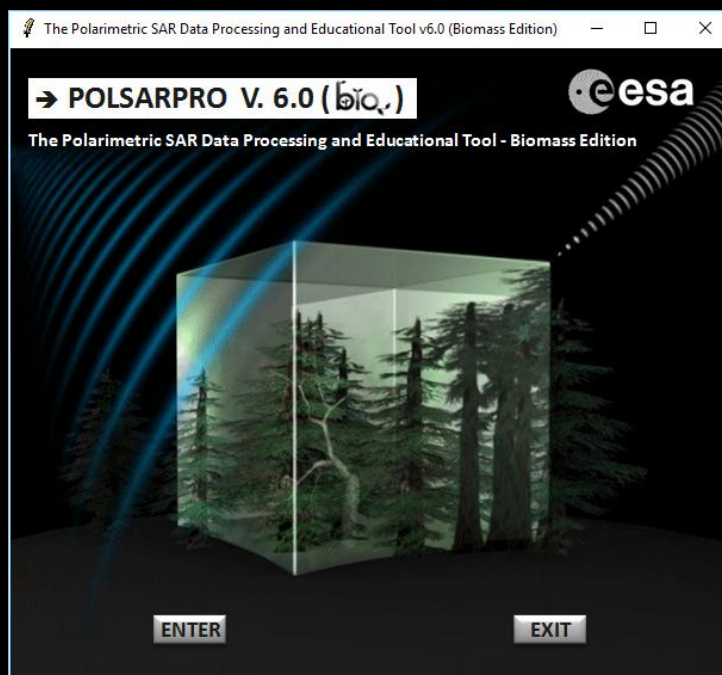
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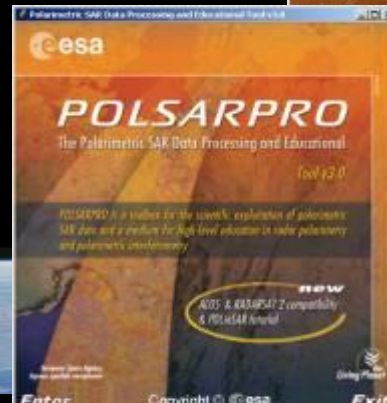
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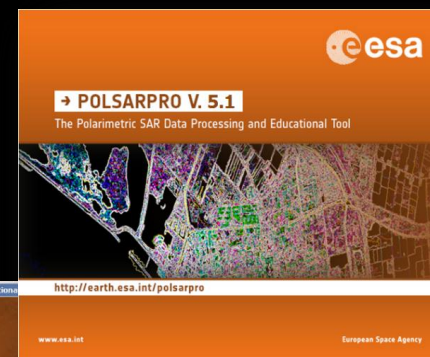
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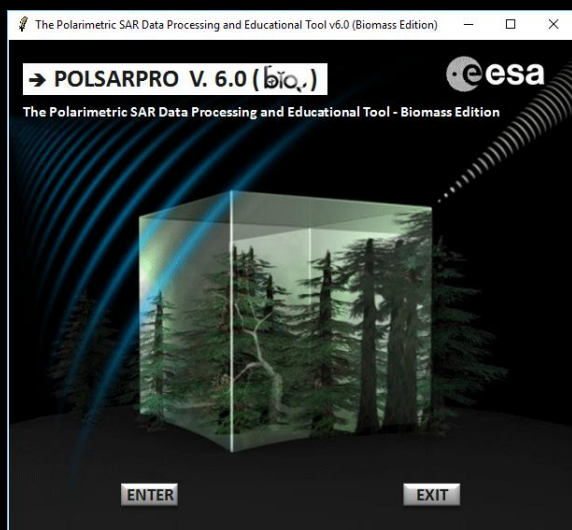
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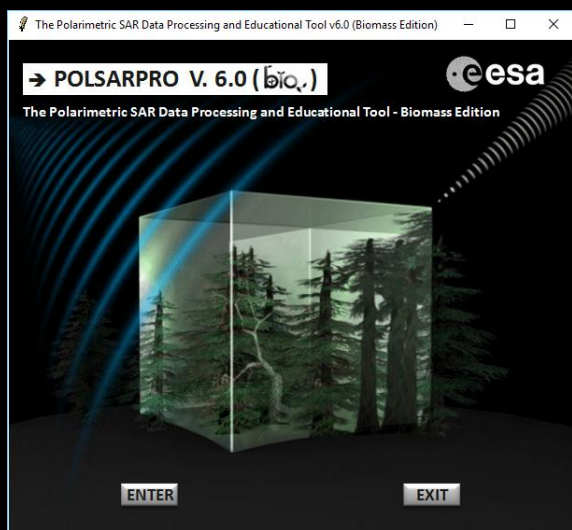
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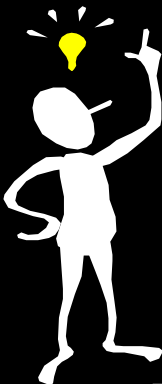
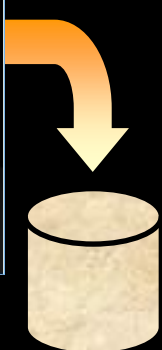
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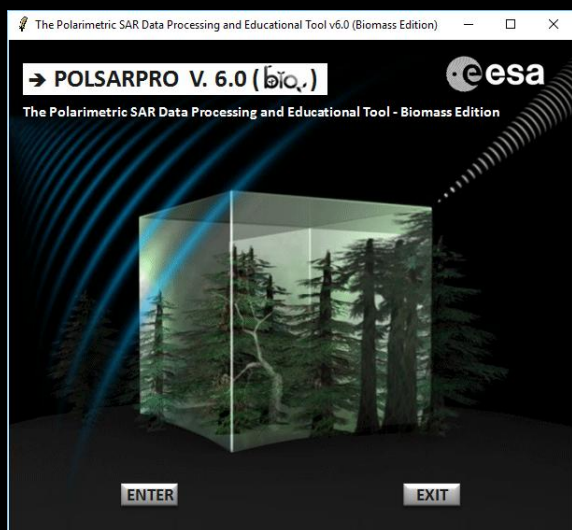
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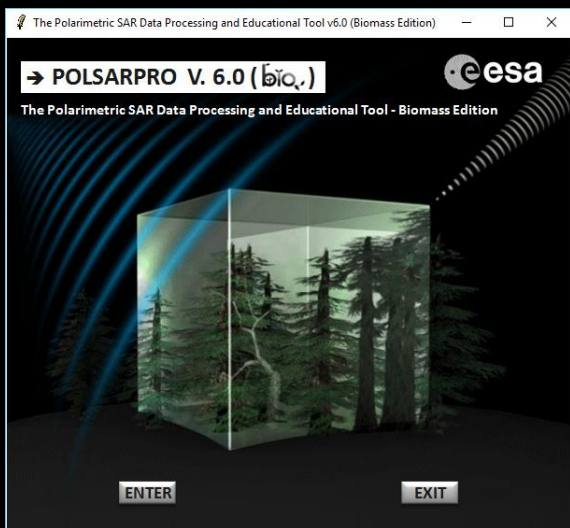
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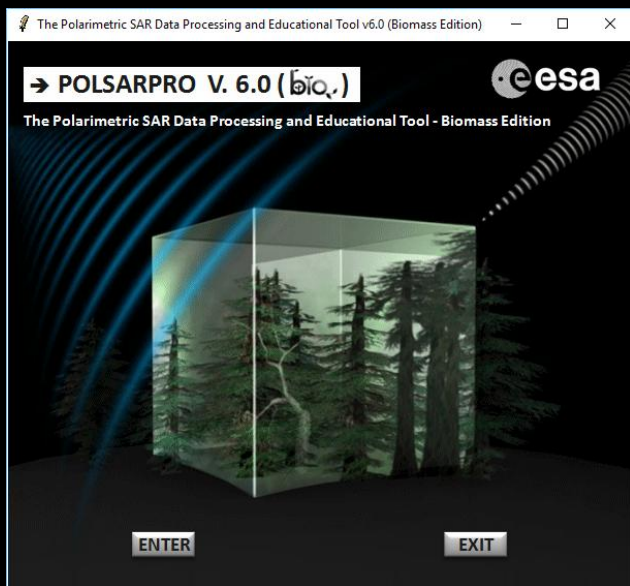
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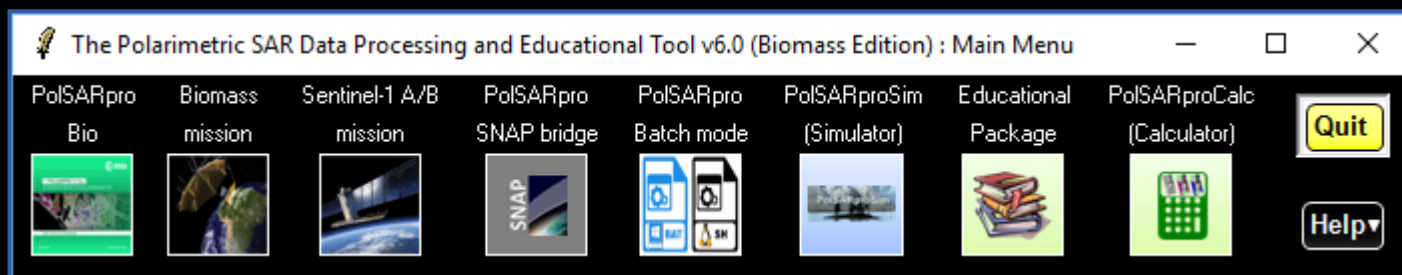
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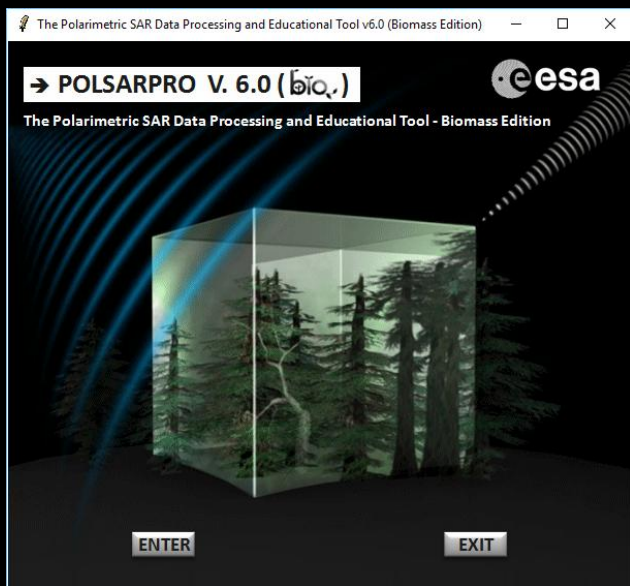


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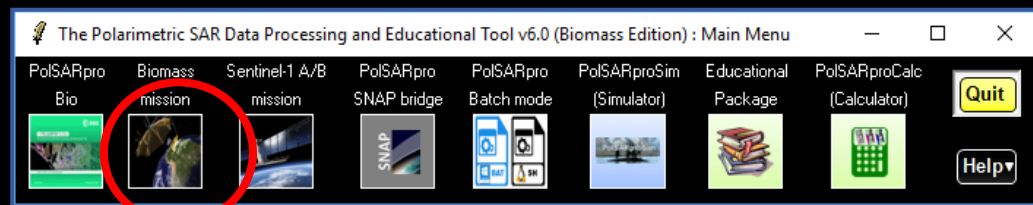




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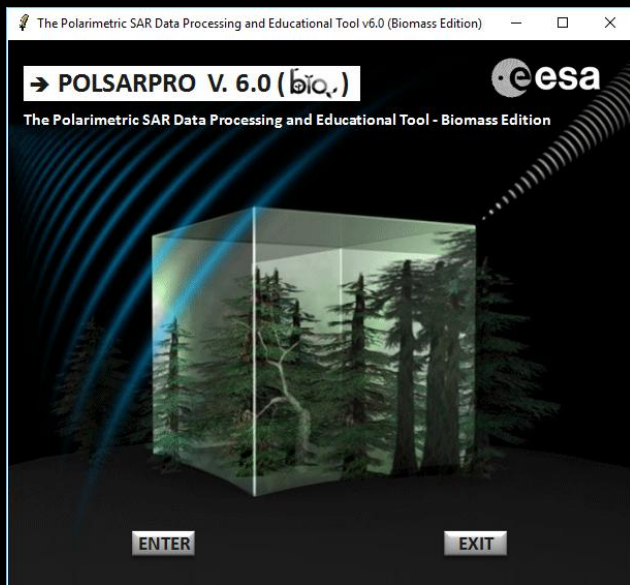


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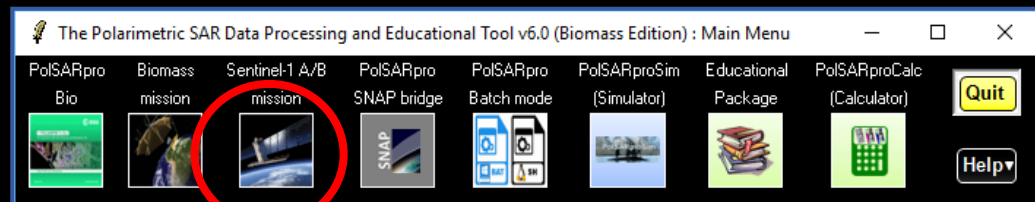




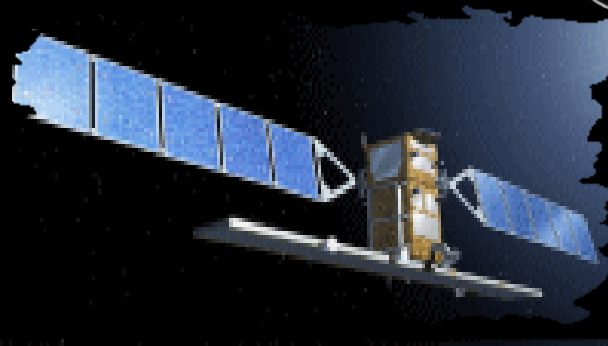
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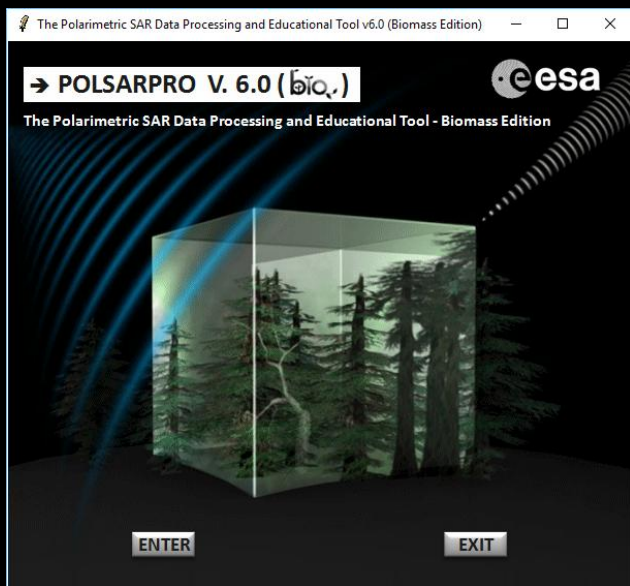


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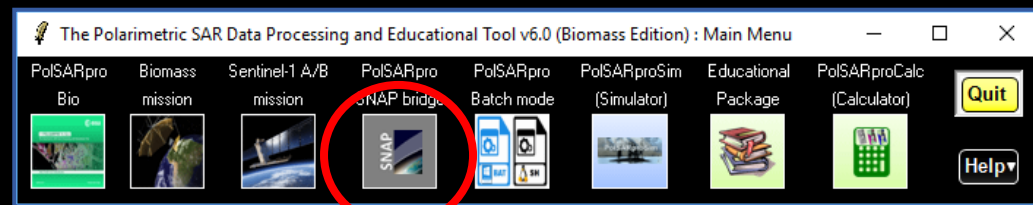




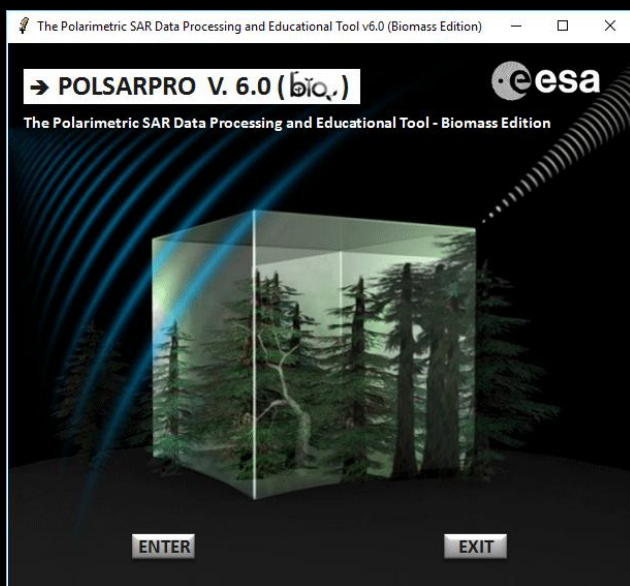
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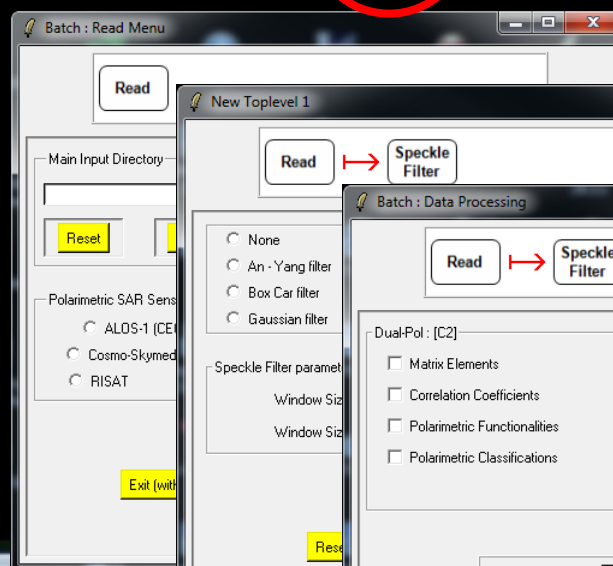
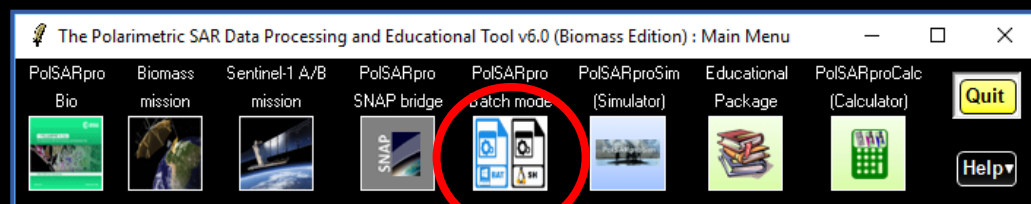
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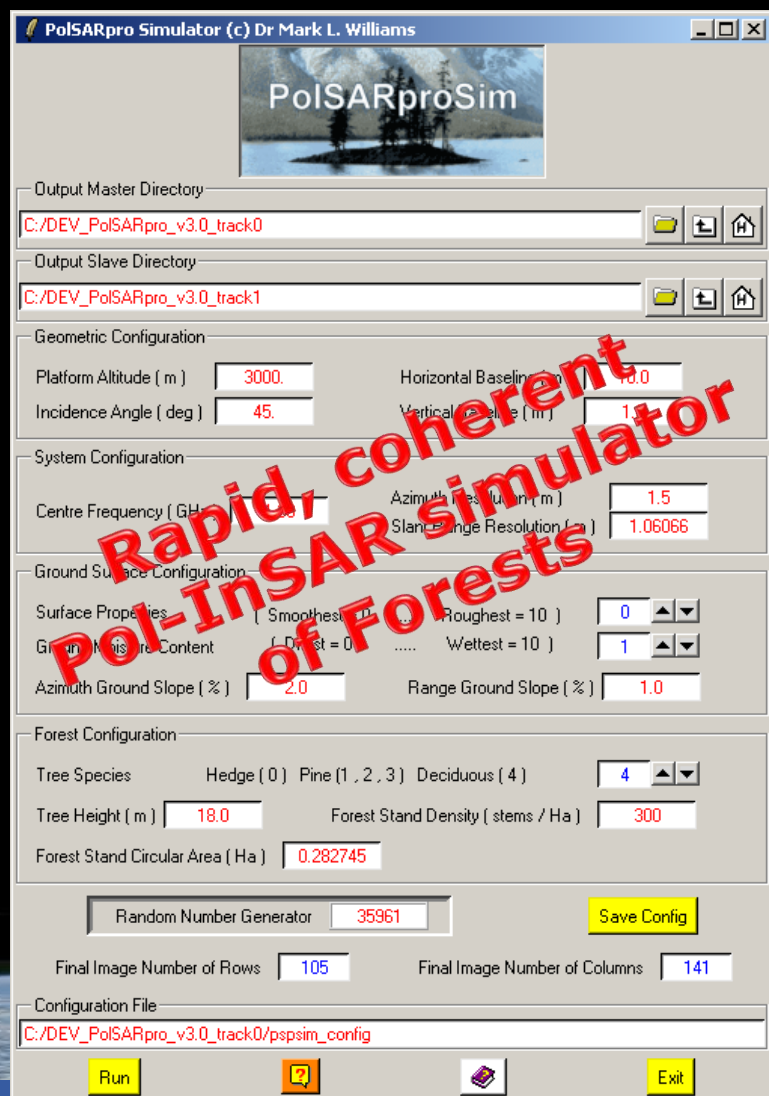
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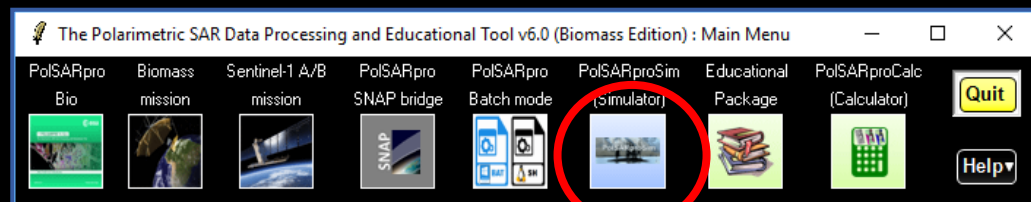
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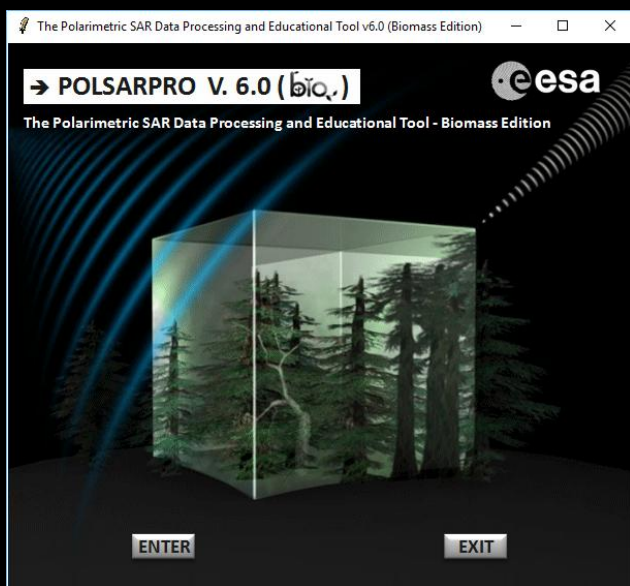


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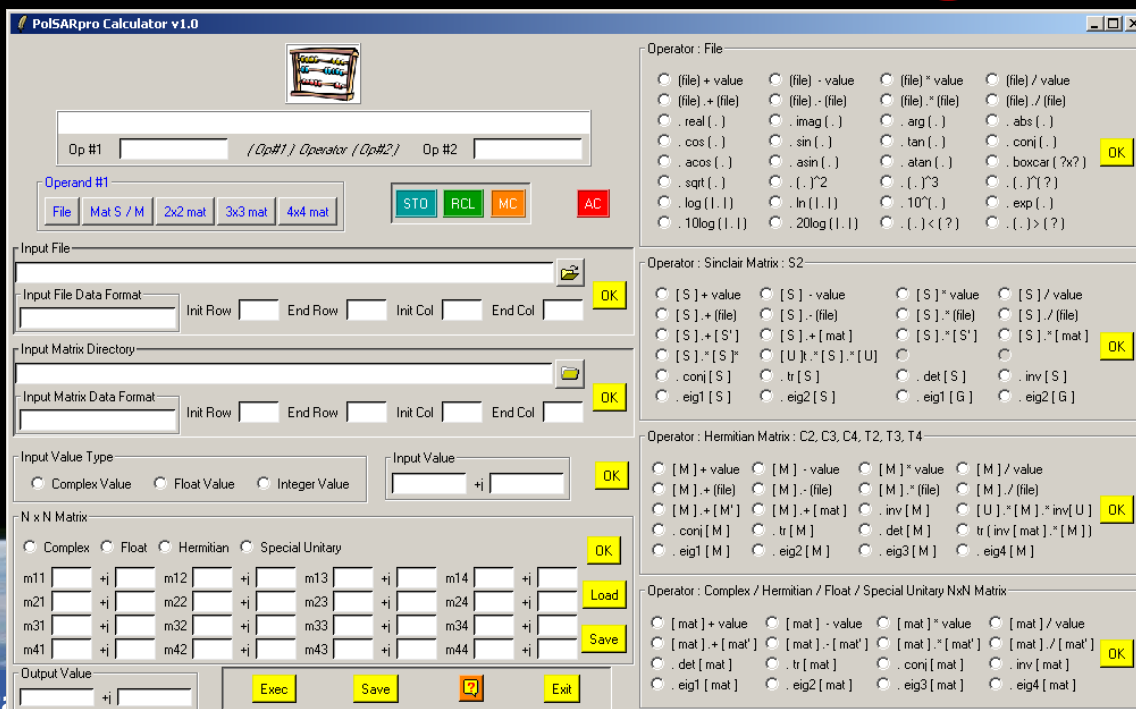
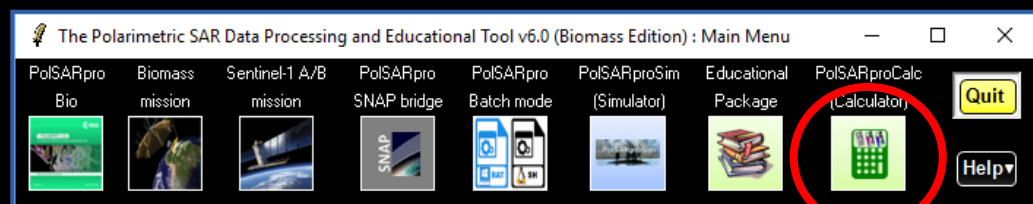


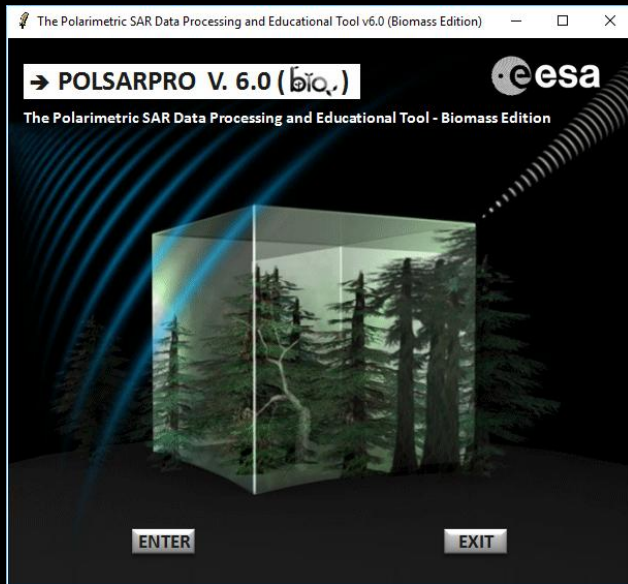
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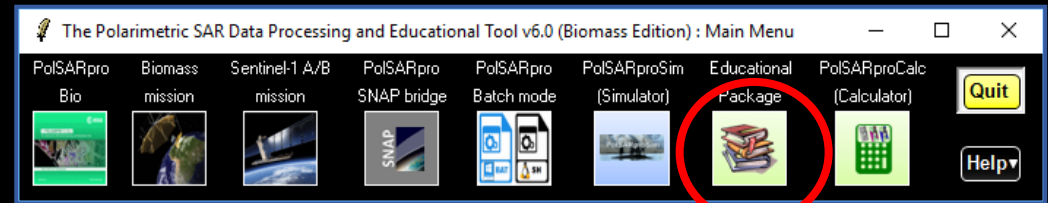




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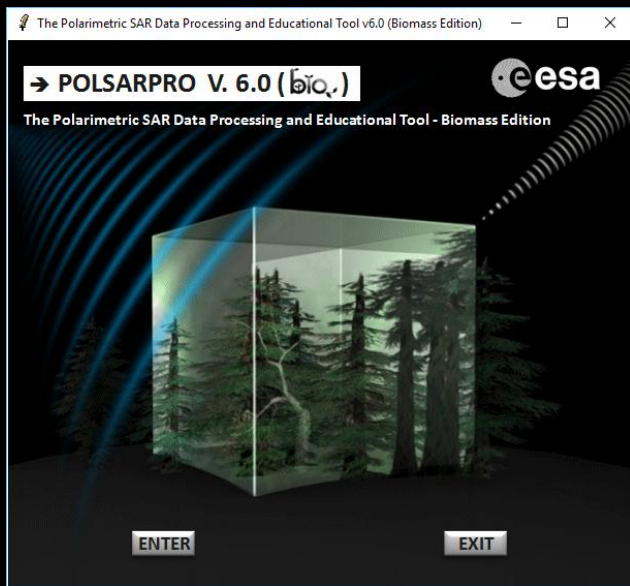
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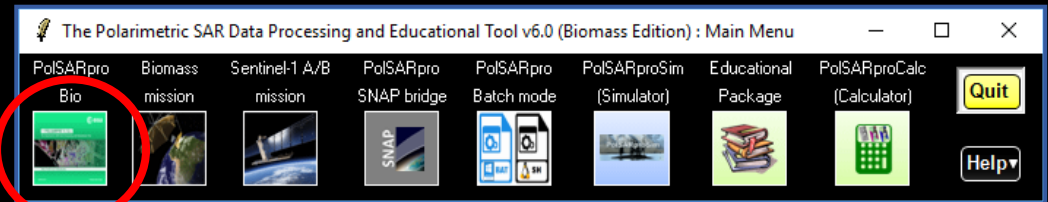
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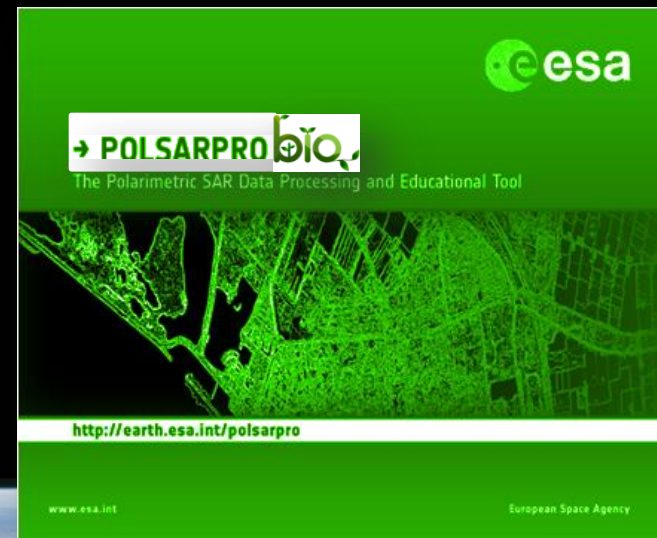
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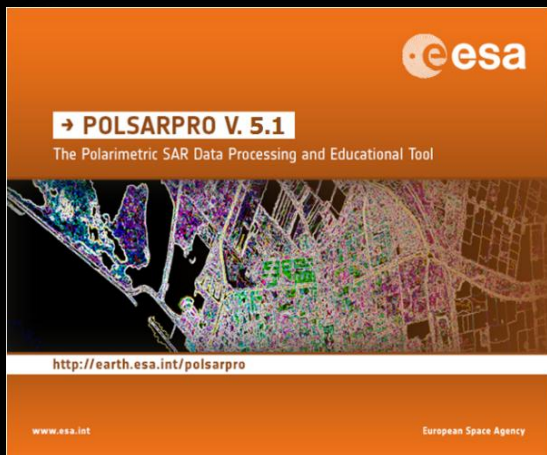


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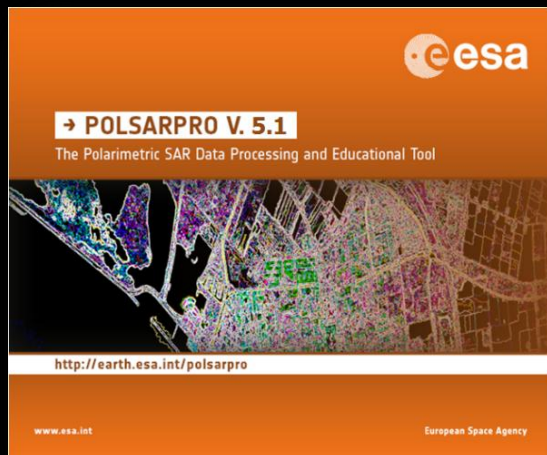
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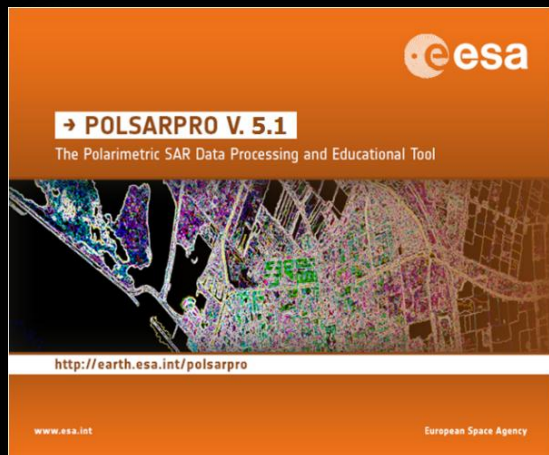


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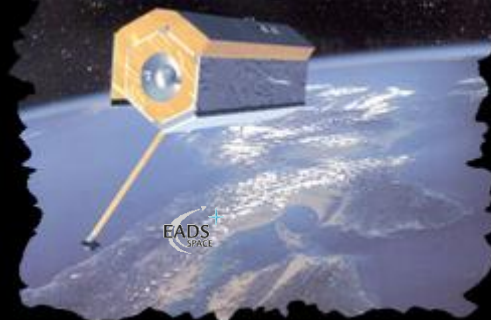
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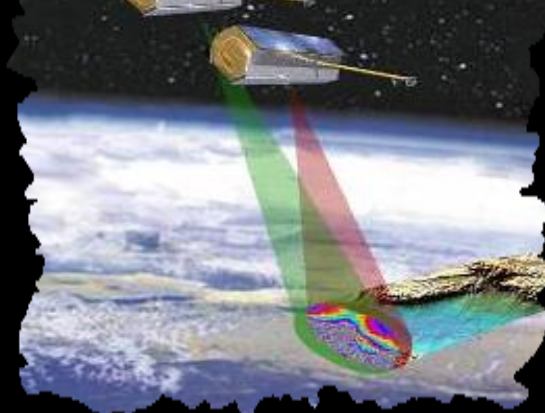
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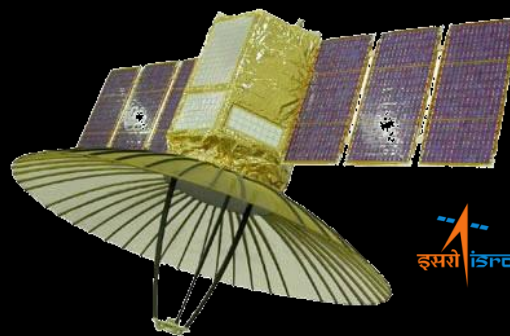
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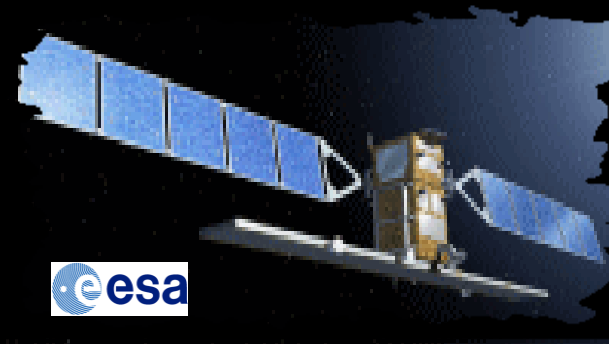
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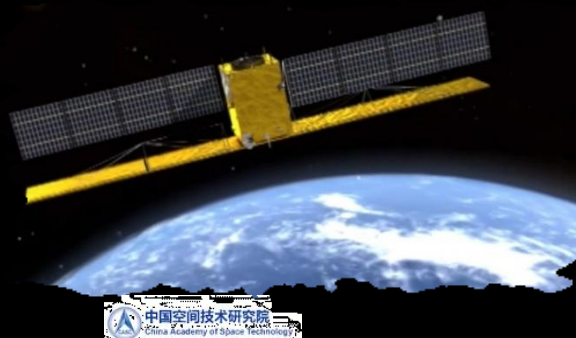
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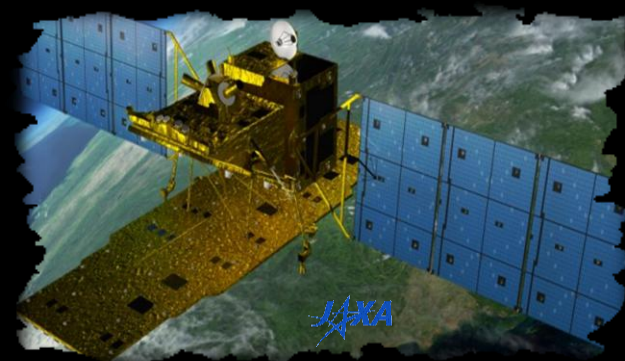
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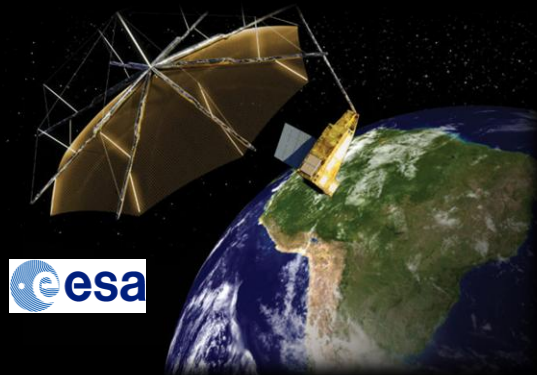
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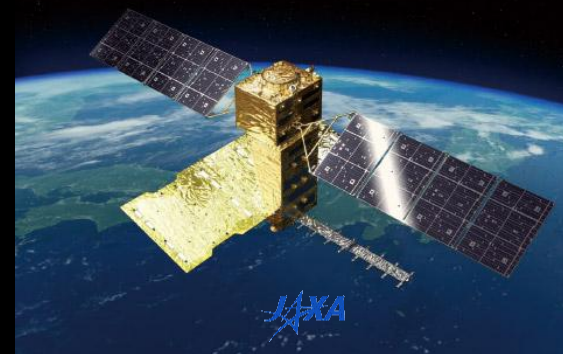
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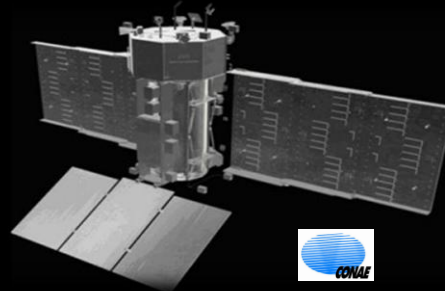
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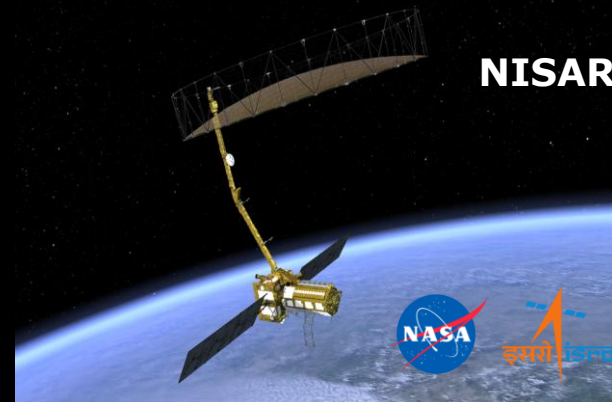
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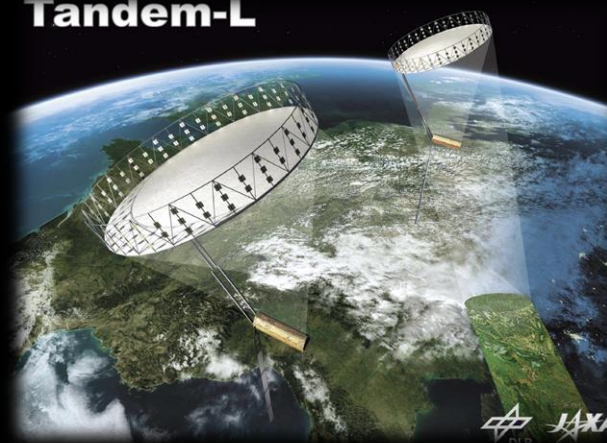
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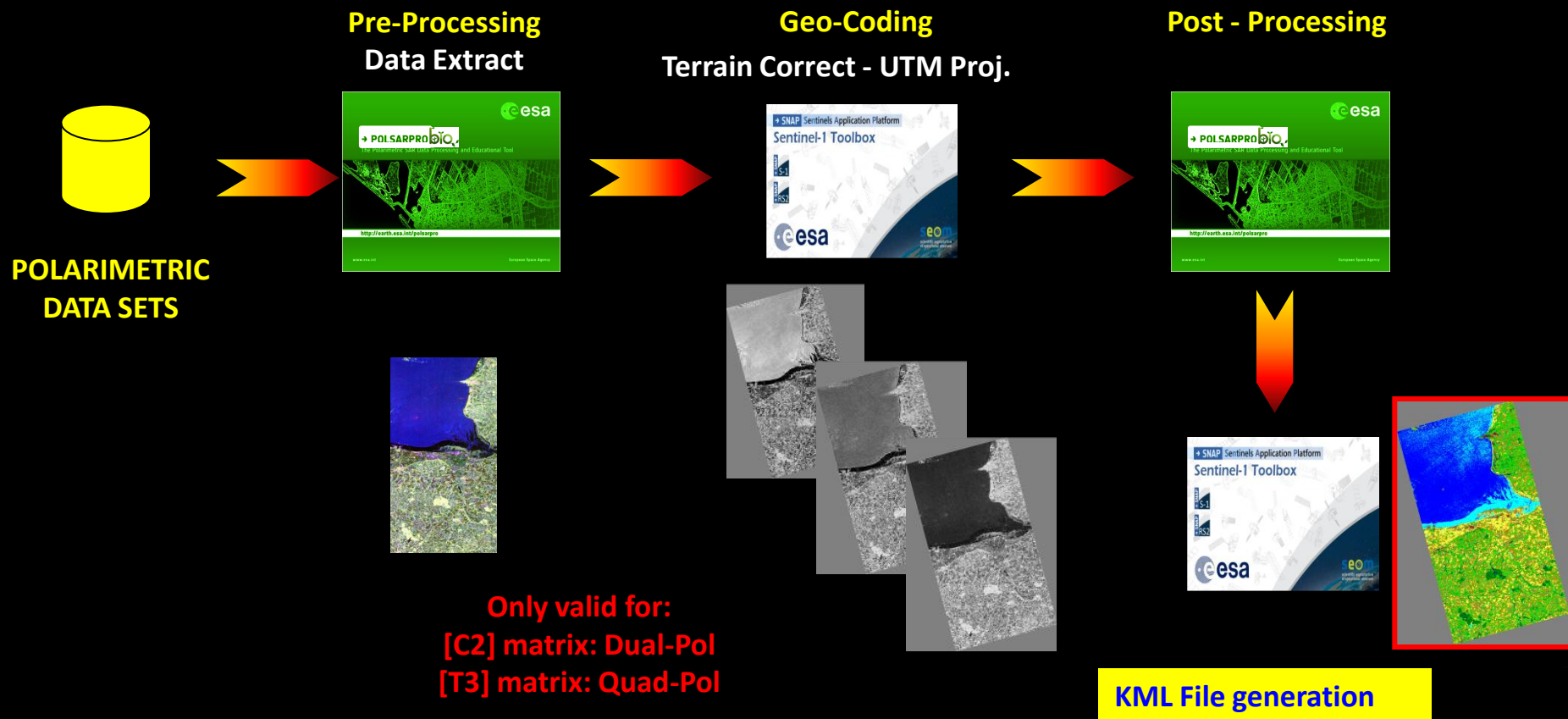


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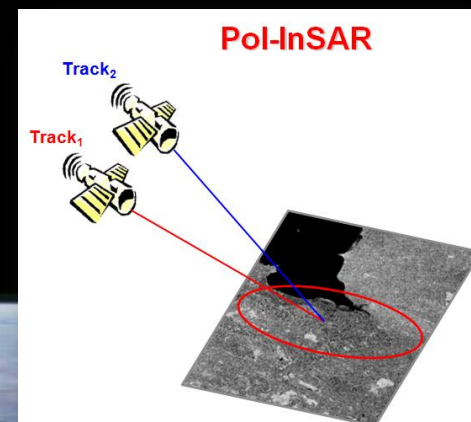
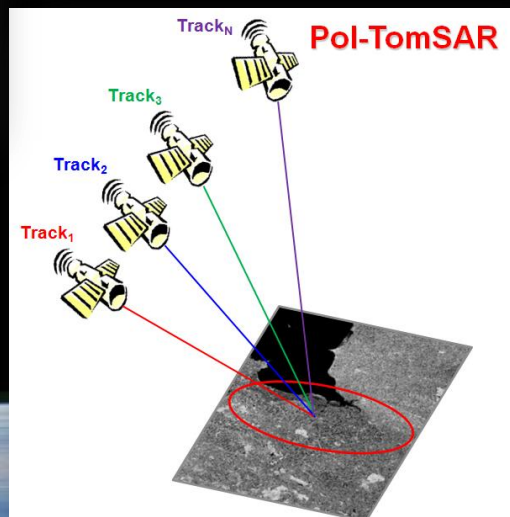
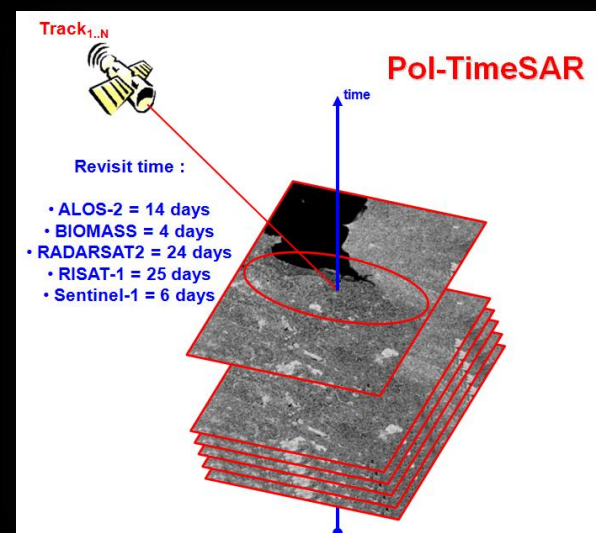
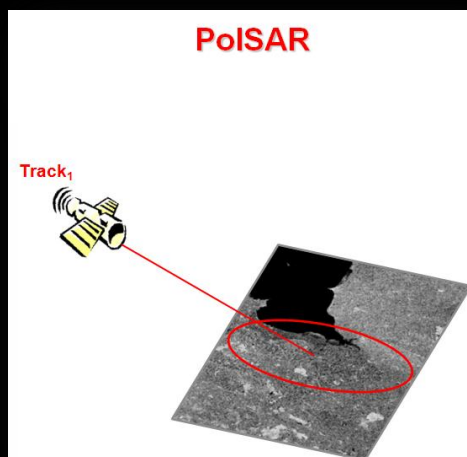
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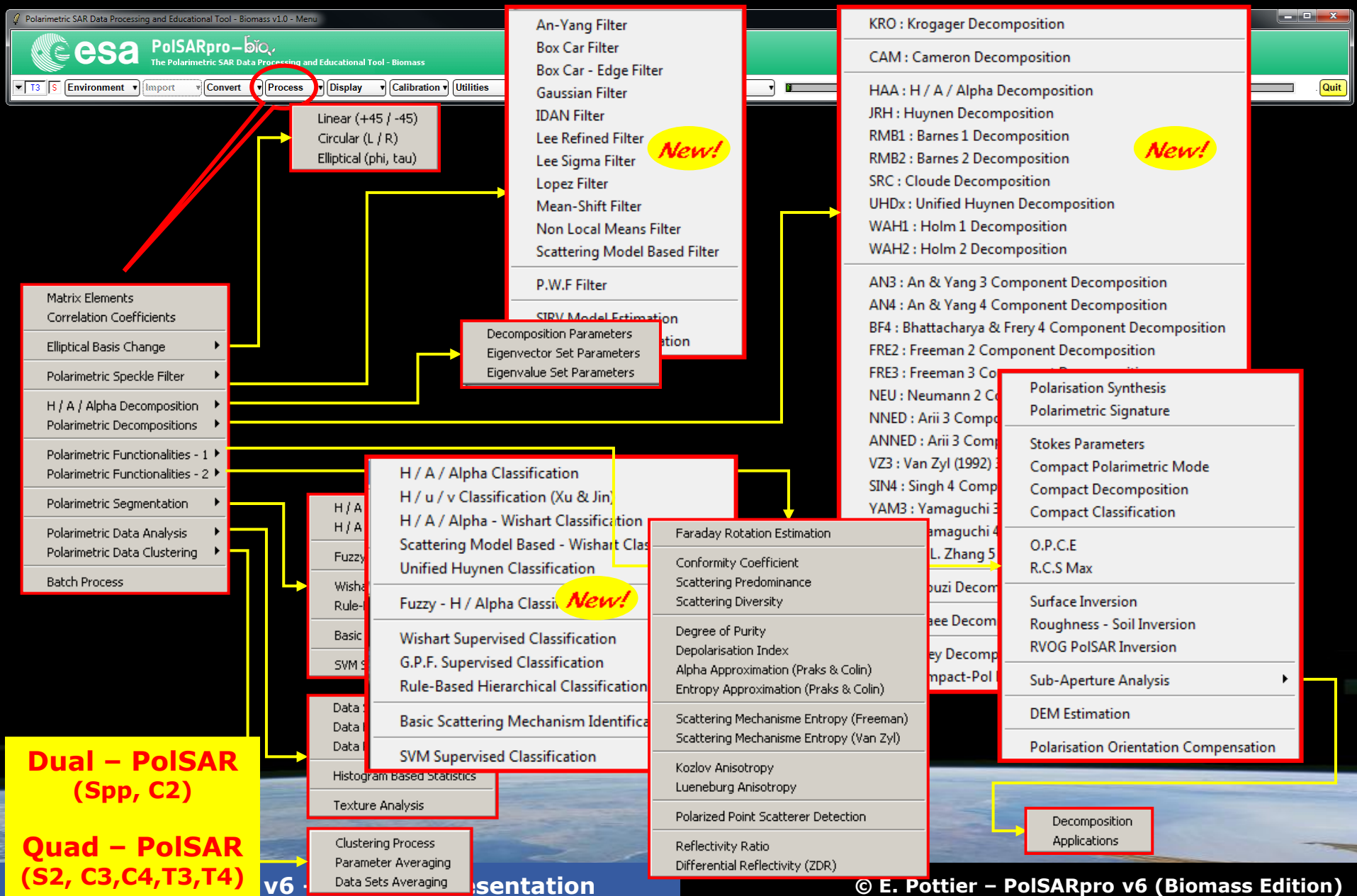


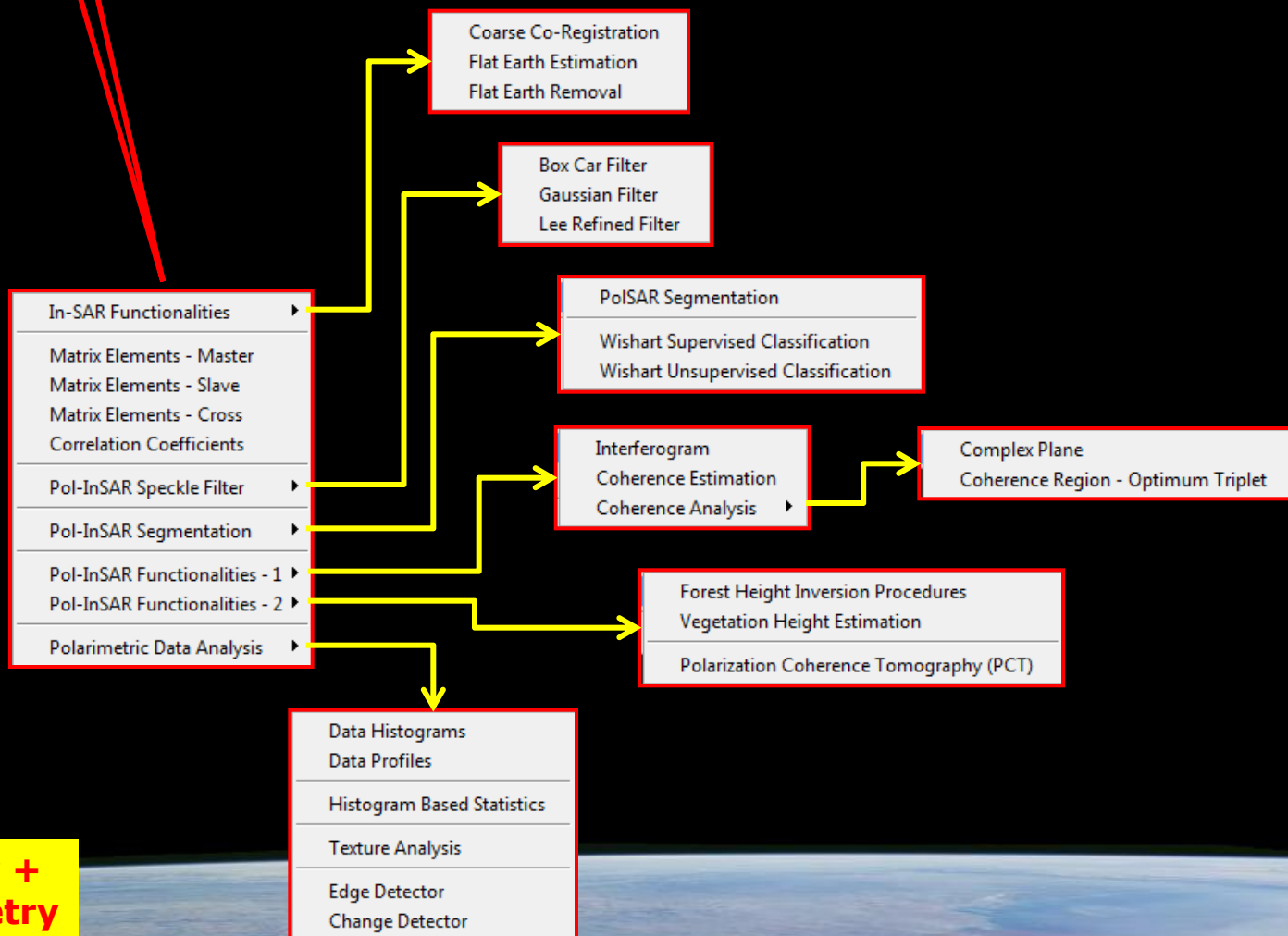
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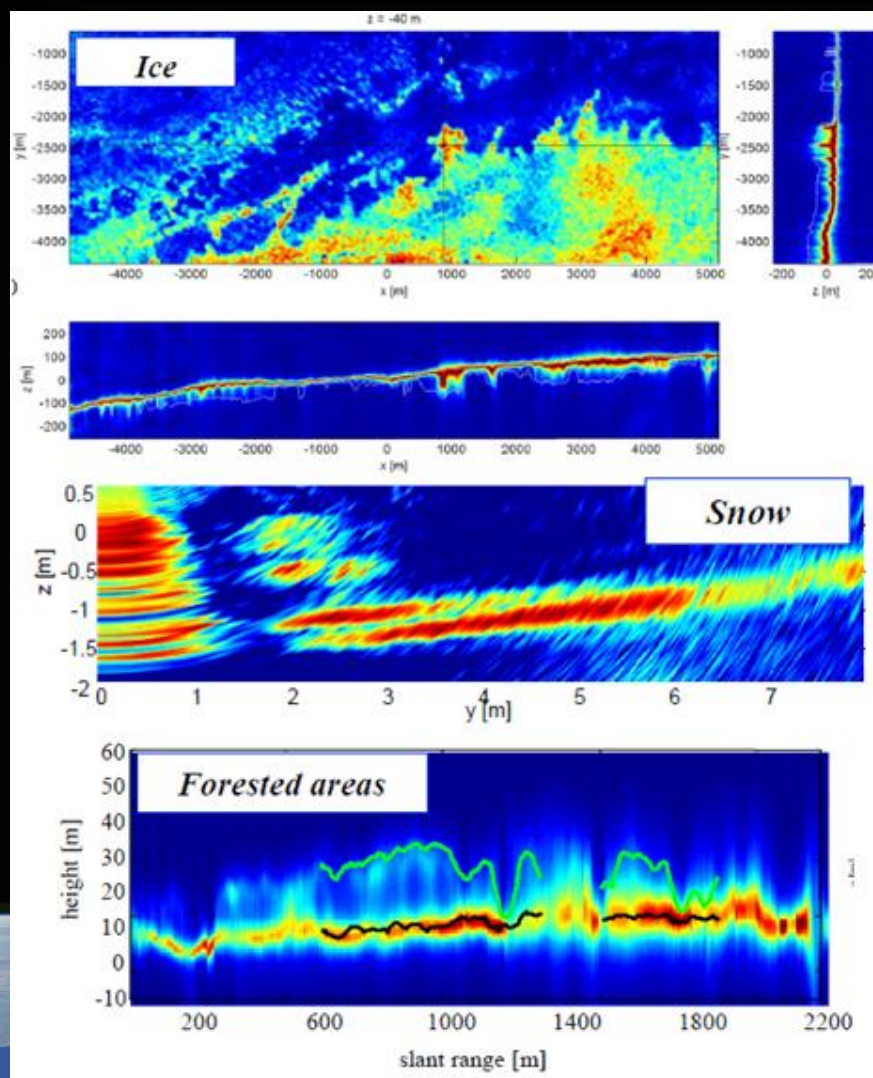




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Polarimetric Speckle Filter ▶
H / A / Alpha Decomposition ▶
Polarimetric Segmentation ▶
Polarimetric Functionalities ▶
Polarimetric Tomography
Multi-Datasets Analysis ▶

New!

Box Car Filter
C. Lopez Filter
Gaussian Filter
IDAN Filter
J.S. Lee Refined Filter
J.S. Lee Sigma Filter

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Eigenvector Set Parameters
Eigenvalue Set Parameters

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H / A / Alpha - Wishart Classification
Wishart Supervised Classification

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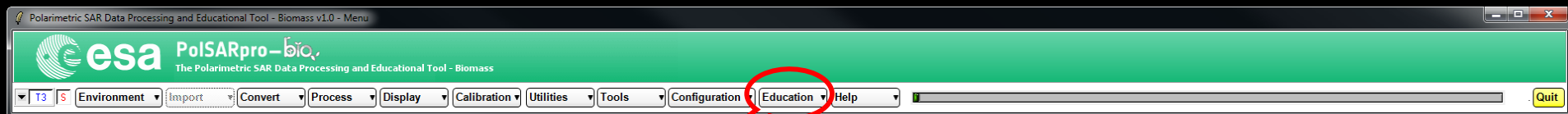
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**Polarimetry +
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Pol-TimeSAR

**Polarimetry +
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Pol-TomoSAR



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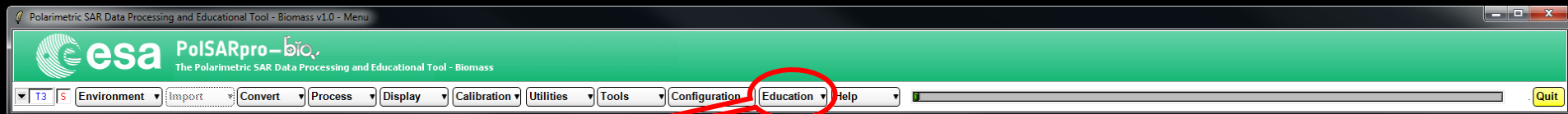
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Learning / Training Next P.I Generations



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PolSAR-Ap Project



1 Basic Principles of SAR Polarimetry

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1.1 Theory of radar polarimetry

1.1.1 Wave polarimetry

Polarimetry refers specifically to the vector nature of the electromagnetic waves, whereas radar polarimetry is the science of acquiring, processing and analyzing the polarization state of an electromagnetic wave in radar applications. This section summarizes the main theoretical aspects necessary for a correct processing and interpretation of the polarimetric information. As a result, the first part presents the so called wave polarimetry that deals with the representation and the understanding of the polarization state of an electromagnetic wave. The second part introduces the concept of scattering polarimetry. This concept collects the topic of inferring the properties of a given target, from a polarimetric point of view, given the incident and the scattered polarized electromagnetic waves.

1.1.1.1 Electromagnetic waves and wave polarization descriptors

The generation, the propagation, as well as the interaction with matter of the electric and the magnetic waves are governed by the Maxwell's equations [1]. For an electromagnetic wave that is propagating in the $\hat{z}$ direction, the real electric wave can be decomposed into two orthogonal components: $\hat{x}$ and $\hat{y}$, admitting the following vector formulation:

$$\vec{E}(z,t) = \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_0 \cos(\omega t - kz + \delta_x) \\ E_0 \cos(\omega t - kz + \delta_y) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.1)$$

which may be also considered in a complex form:

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heaviness matrices must be address by considering a better exploitation of the Wishart distribution. As shown in [72] and [73], the Wishart distribution allows defining the multiplicative-additive speckle noise model for all the elements of the covariance or the coherency matrices. This model has been exploited for PolSAR data filtering in [76], where it is demonstrated that if the filtering process is adapted to the multiplicative or additive nature of speckle, depending on the correlation of a pair of SAR images, it may lead to an improved estimation of the different parametric parameters that characterize the covariance or coherency matrices.

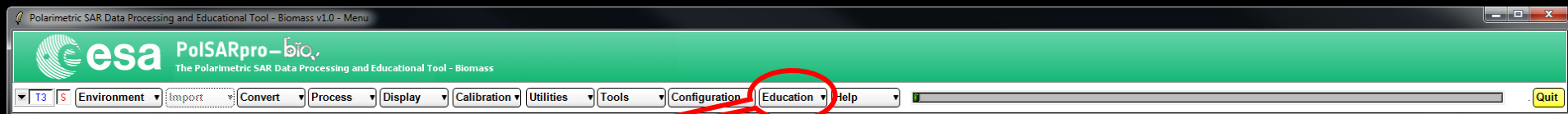


Fig. 1.8. Radarimetric RGB image over San Francisco (USA) where the colour code is: S_H , blue, S_V , red and S_H , green. Filtered image with the LLNANCE speckle filter.



Fig. 1.9. Radarimetric RGB image over San Francisco (USA) where the colour code is: S_H , blue, S_V , red and S_H , green. Filtered image with the BPT speckle filter.

Beyond all the PolSAR data filtering techniques presented in this Section, there exist a wide variety of similar approaches in the related literature, where a com-

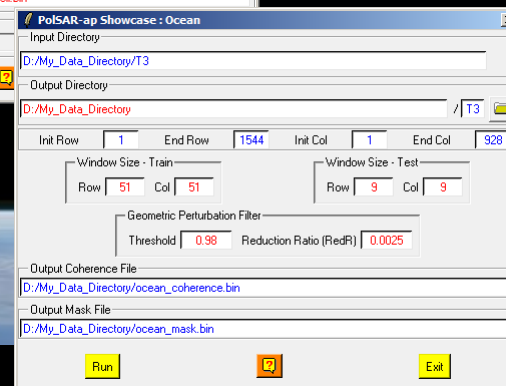
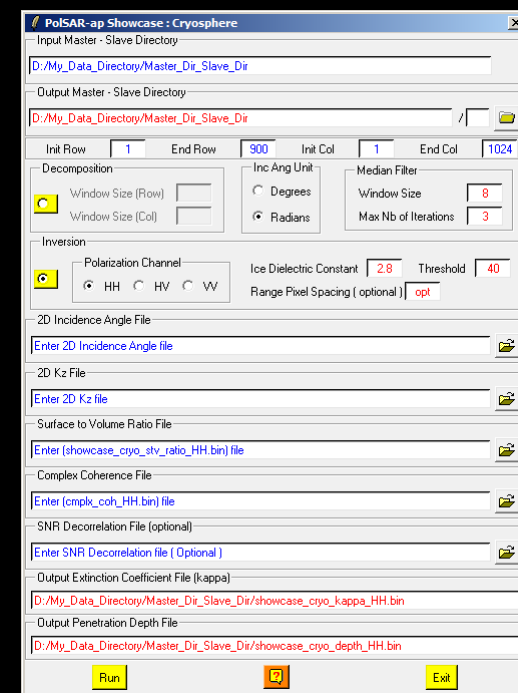
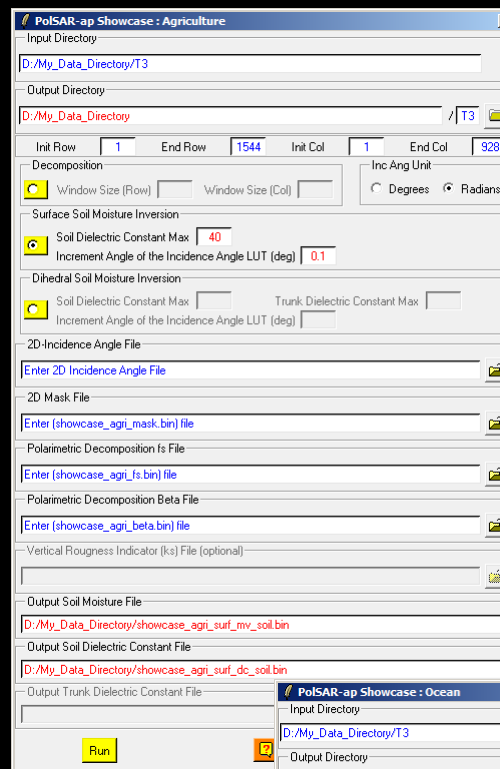


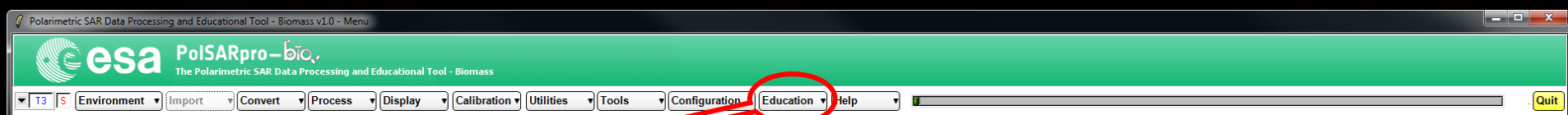
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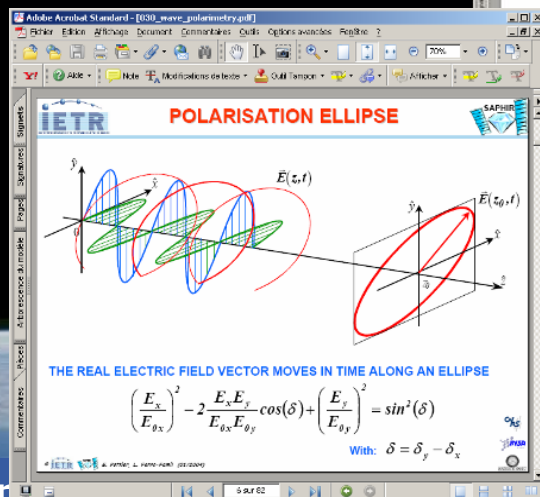
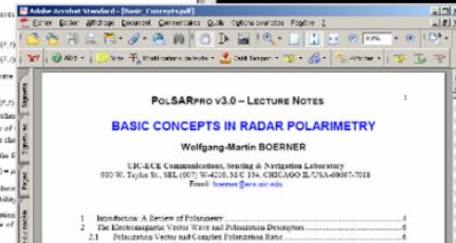
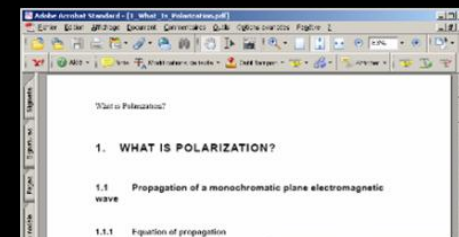
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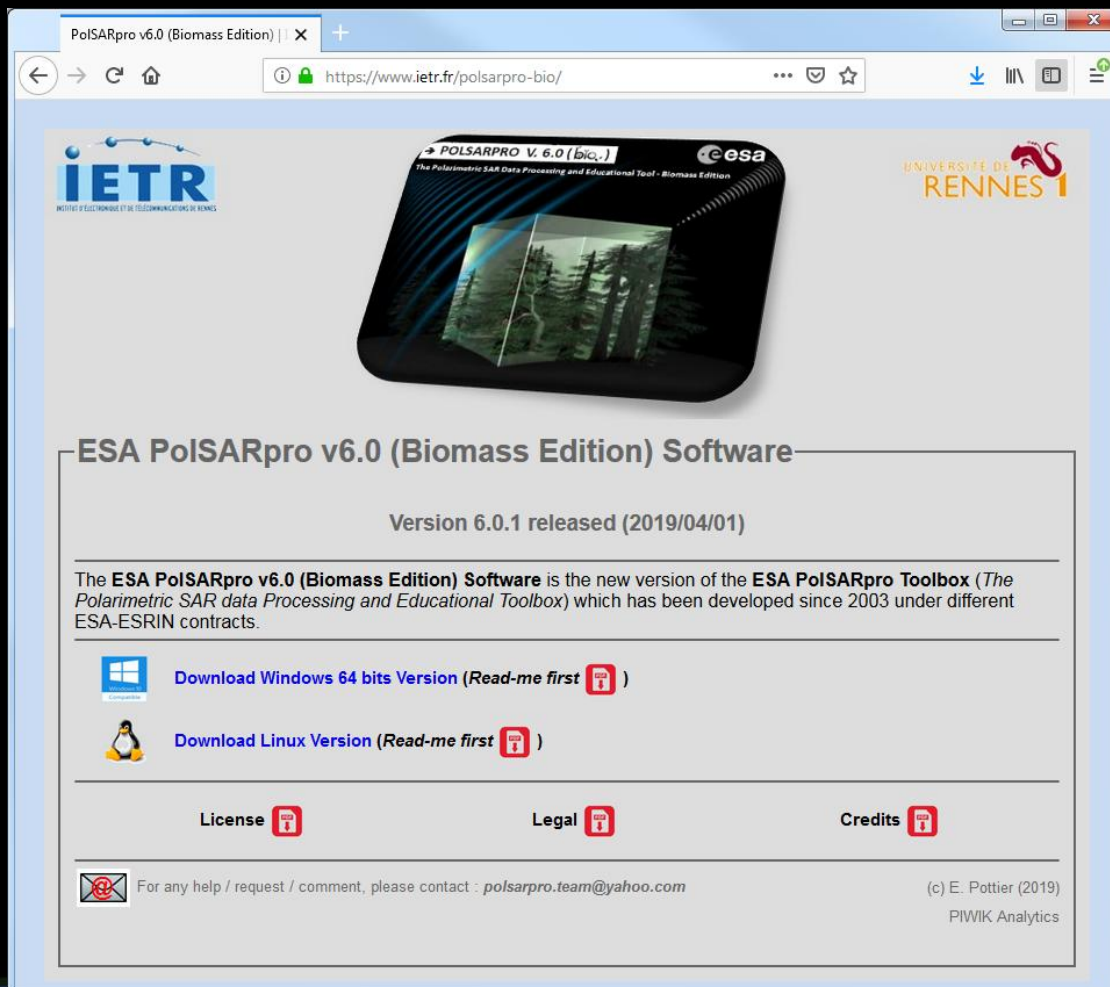
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