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# « InSAR monitoring of surface displacements and detection of abnormal behaviour for a geothermal operation, case of the Landau power plant (Germany) »

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

- Underground reservoirs
  - Oil production
  - Deep geothermal
  - Natural gas storage
  - ...
- Surface deformation
  - Uplift around injection well
  - Subsidence around production well
- Surface deformation monitoring
  - Condition (pressure / volume)
  - Environment (flow migration, permeability, rheology)
  - Detection of abnormal behaviour (prevention)
- Monitoring tools
  - GNSS (high-temporal resolution)
  - SAR interferometry (high-spatial resolution)



Fig 1. Example of an EGS with an injection wells (GPK1) and a production wells (GPK2) (*Gerard et al., 2006*).

(7) Filters



500 m

1000 m

1500 m

Fig 2. Natural gas storage in salt caverns (<u>www.storengy.com</u>).

# 3. CONTEXT

- Landau in Germany (80 km north of Strasbourg, France)
  - Underground of the city exploited for:
    - Deep geothermal in south (electricity and heat)
    - Oil production in east and north
- EGS power plant
  - Project initiated in 2000, and started in 2007
  - 2 wells at about 3000 m depth
- Known case of accident
  - Occurred in June 2013
  - Leak in injection wells at ~450 m depth (*Heimlich et al., 2015*)
  - Power plant shutdown in March 2014
  - Restart of the power plant in October 2017



# 3. CONTEXT

#### Dataset

- TerraSAR-X
- 125 X-band images (λ = 3.1 cm)
- Repeat period : 11 days
- Processing
  - PS-InSAR : StaMPS (Hooper et al., 2012)
  - Persistent scatterers (urban areas)
  - Lock : temporal decorrelation (vegetated areas)



Fig 4. TerraSAR-X dataset: perpendicular baselines as a function of time. Red lines: accident, shutdown and restart of the power plant.

Spatial analysis

- Period 1
  - Cumulated LOS displacements
  - Pixels in urban areas (PS)
- Uplift in north (~13 mm LOS)
- Subsidence in east (~8 mm LOS)
- Stable geothermal site (~2 mm LOS)



Spatial analysis

- Period 2
  - Cumulated LOS displacements
  - Pixels in urban areas (PS)
- Uplift
  - Geothermal power plant (~33 mm LOS)
  - Spread over the city (~10 mm LOS)



Spatial analysis

- Period 3
  - Cumulated LOS displacements
  - Pixels in urban areas (PS)
- Subsidence
  - Geothermal power plant (~25 mm LOS)
  - Spread over the city (~8 mm LOS)
  - North (~17 mm LOS)



Analyse spatiale

- Full period
  - Cumulated LOS displacements
  - Pixels in urban areas (PS)
- Boreholes
  - North (oil production)
  - East (oil production)
- http://www.geopotenziale.org



Temporal analysis



Fig 9. Cumulated LOS displacements, 2012.04.02 – 2017.10.28.

#### Motivation

- Important archive: TerraSAR-X with high-temporal sampling (11 days  $\approx$  Sentinel-1) with a time span of about 5.5 years
- Monitoring of the event: period of calm, occurrence of the accident, and post-accident
- Known affected spatial area (*Heimlich et al., 2015*)
- Processing chain : StaMPS (*Hooper et al., 2012*)
- StaMPS :



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Monitoring tool : Independent Component Analysis (ICA)



Fig 12. ICA linear problem. X: observations (interferograms), A: mixing vectors, S: sources. (*Ebmeier, 2016*).

- Hypothesis: signal = linear combination of statistically independent variables.
- (Comon, 1994; Hyvärinen and Oja, 1997; Stone, 2004; Ebmeier, 2016)
  - Maximisation of the statistical independence of sources (ICA)
  - Extraction of low amplitude signals
- InSAR = combination of deformation and noise sources
  - Application of the method sICA (Gaddes et al., 2018)
  - fastICA algorithm (Hyvärinen and Oja 1997; Hyvärinen and Oja, 2000)

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Moving averages

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spatial Independant Component Analysis (sICA) 



X

npixel

S

npixel

spatial Independant Component Analysis (sICA) 

... or limited by geometric constraint ( $\lambda$  / 2)



S

npixel

X

npixel

Daisy-chain approach

- Dataset
  - TerraSAR-X
  - 40 X-band images (λ = 3.1 cm)
  - Repeat period : 11 days
- Method
  - Minimisation of temp. and perp. baselines
  - Coherence mask
  - Spatial referencing
  - Reconstruction of pixel's time course



Fig 20. TerraSAR-X dataset: perpendicular baselines as a function of time. Red lines: accident, and of the power plant. Daisy-chain approach

- Spatial analysis
- Uplift
  - Geothermal site (~30 mm LOS)
  - Spread over the city (~10 mm LOS)
- Subsidence
  - North-east (~40 mm LOS)





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- PS-InSAR monitoring approach
  - Advantages
    - Reduction of problem dimension with sICA
    - Efficient detection of abnormal behaviour without "false positive"
  - Disadvantages
    - Time-consuming processing
- Daisy-chain monitoring approach
  - Advantages
    - Minimisation of temp. and perp. baselines
    - Fast processing after the new image acquisition
    - Sufficient accuracy for near real-time monitoring
  - Disadvantages
    - Extremely sensitive to unwrapping errors (especially in vegetated areas)
    - Strong temporal dependence to reconstruct pixel's time course

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  - Spatial resolution improved by new pixel selection techniques (Spaans and Hooper, 2016)





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