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Automated comparison of NIMBUS/OIFS products

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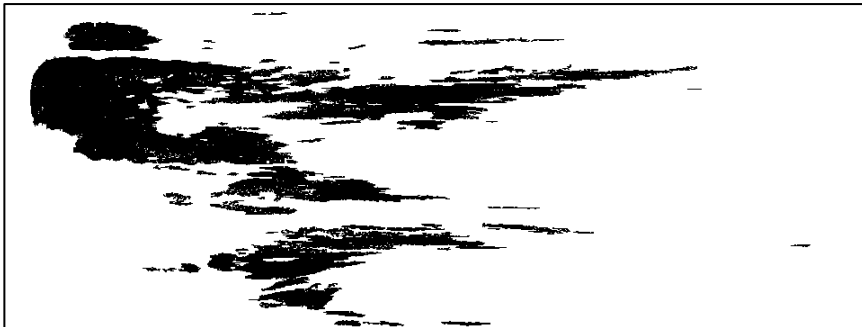
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- The radar data assimilation (DA) in ALARO/AROME models utilizes OPERA OIFS HDF5 files as input data
- OPERA migrate processing hub from the OIFS HUB (located in FR) to the "NIMBUS" HUB (located in AT)
- This hub transfer has also been utilized to upgrade the current radar processing line and it was necessary to verify the content of data from the new processing line
- To better compare data from both sources was main reason to my RCLACE short term stay in CHMU in Prague

- Given the high density of meteorological radars in Europe, I opted for an objective method over the 'eyemetric method,' which relies on visual assessment without quantifiable criteria. Therefore, I chose the Structural Similarity Index (SSIM) for a more precise and reliable analysis.



OIFS: 20240118205004_mf.satfilter_0.00



Nimbus: 20240118205004_fr.mf.satfilter_0.00

skimage.metrics.structural_similarity (old name `skimage.measure.compare_ssim`)
(im1, im2, *, win_size=None, gradient=False, data_range=None,
channel_axis=None, gaussian_weights=False, full=False, **kwargs)

Compute the mean structural similarity index between two images.

- more informations <https://scikit-image.org/docs/stable/api/skimage.metrics.html>
- or directly source code https://github.com/scikit-image/scikit-image/blob/v0.22.0/skimage/metrics/structural_similarity.py#L15-L275

Corresponding papers

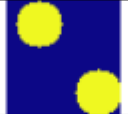


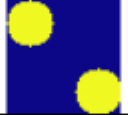








[1] Wang, Z., Bovik, A. C., Sheikh, H. R., & Simoncelli, E. P. (2004). Image quality assessment: From error visibility to structural similarity. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, 13, 600-612.

<https://ece.uwaterloo.ca/~z70wang/publications/ssim.pdf>, :DOI: `10.1109/TIP.2003.819861`

[2] Avanaki, A. N. (2009). Exact global histogram specification optimized for structural similarity. *Optical Review*, 16, 613-621.

:arxiv: `0901.0065` :DOI: `10.1007/s10043-009-0119-z`

Structural similarity

Oifs				Nimbus				Oifs	Nimbus	Difference	field [50x50]
c1x	c1y	c2x	c2y	c1x	c1y	c2x	c2y				Image similarity
14	10	40	40	15	10	40	40				0.921
10	10	40	40	15	10	40	40				0.805
40	40	40	40	15	10	40	40				0.782
10	10	0	0	15	10	40	40				0.649

Structural similarity of "randomly" generated data of size 50x50 pixels

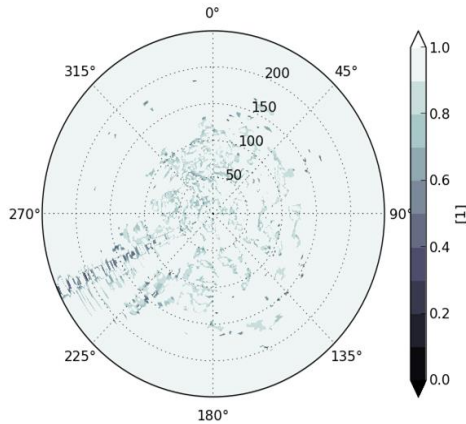
- extract_unique_dates_and_elevations
- for date in unique_dates_oifs:
 - for elevation in unique_elevations_oifs:
 - for i, qi in enumerate(qi_name_oifs):
- if os.path.exists(image_path_oifs) and os.path.exists(image_path_nimbus):
- **(score, diff) = compare_ssim(shampoo1, shampoo2, full=True)**

We are interested only for $Q_i < 1$

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Image similarity  $Q_i$   
20240118205004:0.00:mf.satfilter  $Q_i=0.748$   
20240118205004:0.00:se.smhi.detector.beamblockage  $Q_i=0.997$   
20240118205026:0.50:mf.satfilter  $Q_i=0.709$   
20240118205026:0.50:se.smhi.detector.beamblockage  $Q_i=0.999$   
20240118205504:0.00:se.smhi.detector.beamblockage  $Q_i=0.997$   
20240118205526:0.50:se.smhi.detector.beamblockage  $Q_i=0.999$   
20240118210004:0.00:mf.satfilter  $Q_i=0.779$   
20240118210004:0.00:se.smhi.detector.beamblockage  $Q_i=0.997$   
20240118210026:0.50:se.smhi.detector.beamblockage  $Q_i=0.999$ 
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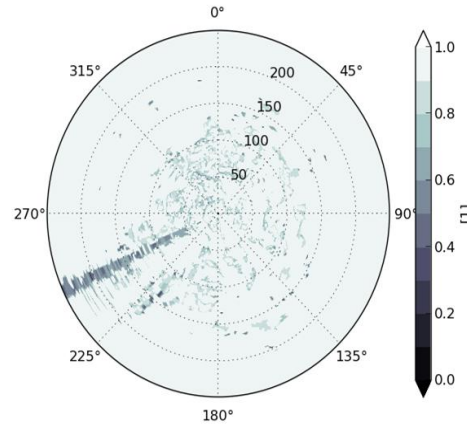
Objective Evaluation:

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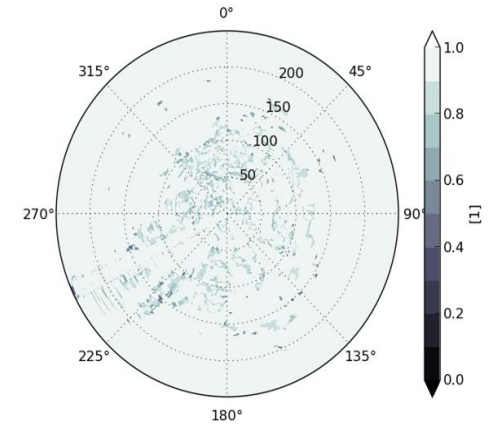


$Q_i=0.995741177548053$

**ropo detection
classification**



**original ropo
detection
classification**



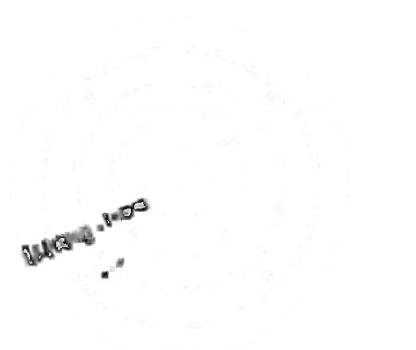
$Q_i=0.992959272474026$

**Suppression of
whole noisy beams**

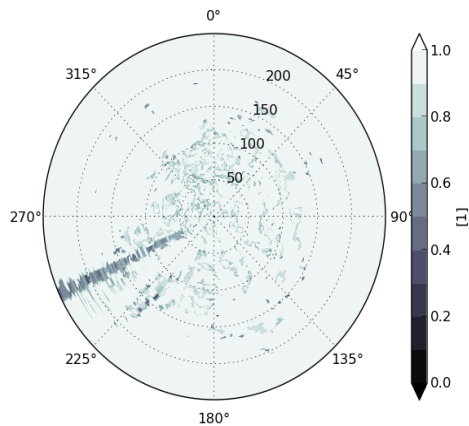
Objective Evaluation: Is higger always diference

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sdate:time 20240115:000508 elevation 0.50



Qi=0.995741177548053



Qi=0.992959272474026

- Utilizing structural similarity appears to be a valuable, efficient, and objective method, saving time and ensuring reliability
- The initial approach of comparing files with the same timestamp was quickly discarded, as their contents often originated from different data sources, leading to exaggerated and misleading results.
- In the next phase of the work, we will split each HDF5 file and compare data from the same elevation with the corresponding scan time.
- Comparison tool was tuned during ACCORD DA WD in Dublin.

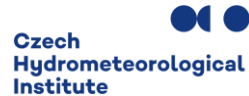
- Thank you for the support of RC LACE and the CHMU NWP team.
- Specifically, I would like to extend my gratitude to Alenka Trojakova and Antonin Bucanek.

□ [report is here](#)

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Thank you for your attention.



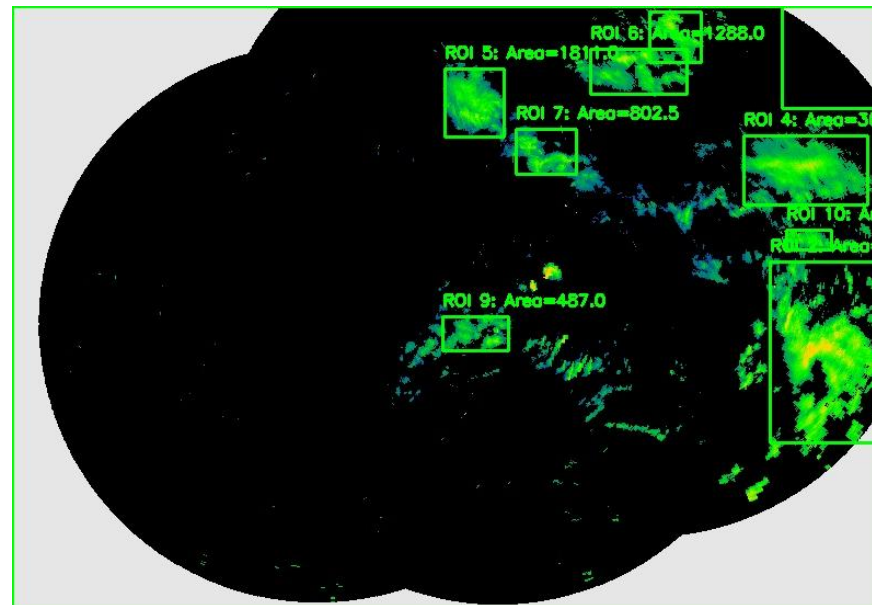
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- I would like to show also my Qi from "old INCA times" which I plan to test in our SHMU RUC1 (ALARO-1 cy46 1km) on OPERA HDF5 and then use it in our radar DA
- It use opencv on three temporal consecutive radar scans and after consultation with Peter Smerkol and other colleagues I would like to extend HOOF for it

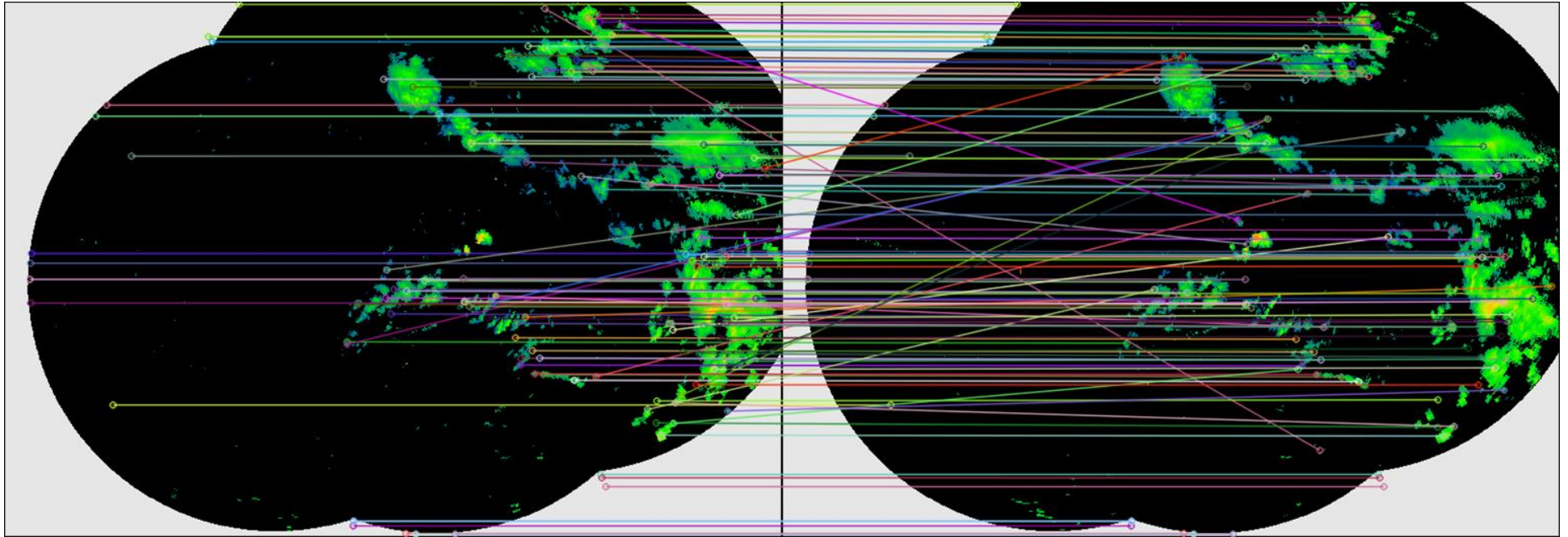
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contours1, _ = cv2.findContours(thresh1, cv2.RETR_EXTERNAL,  
cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE)
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cv2.RETR_EXTERNAL: This parameter specifies the contour retrieval mode. RETR_EXTERNAL retrieves only the external contours, ignoring any contours inside objects.

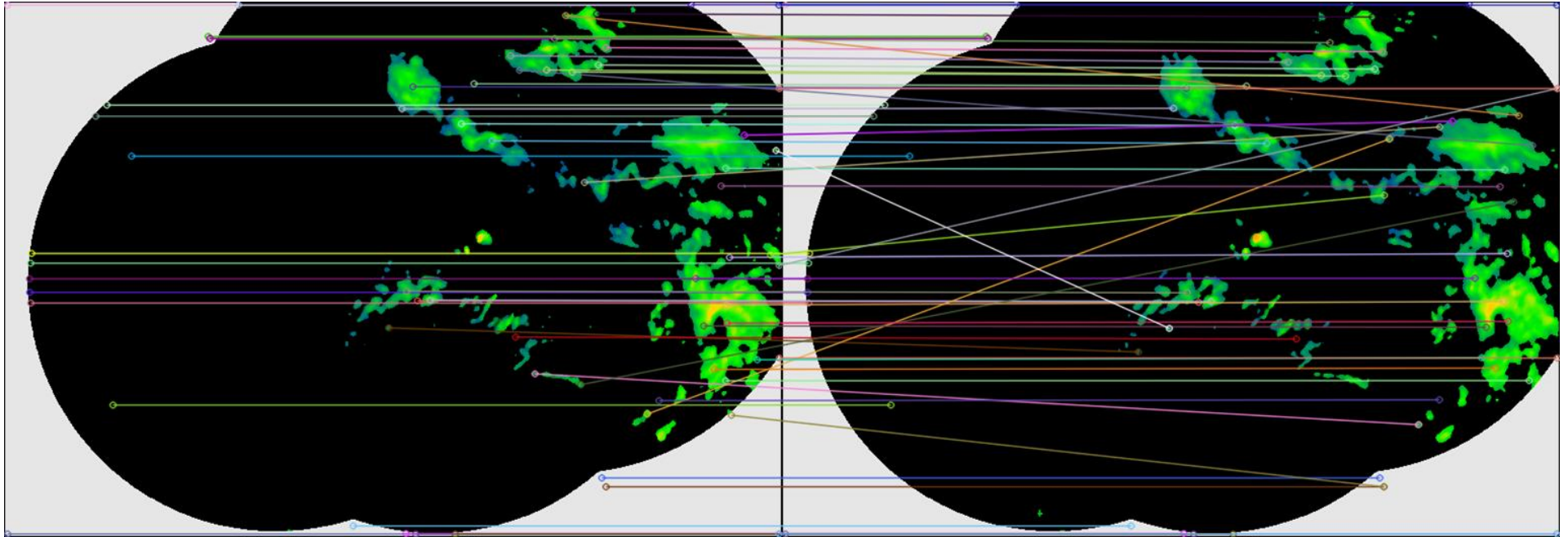
cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE: compresses horizontal, vertical, and diagonal segments and leaves only their end points.



calculate motion vector

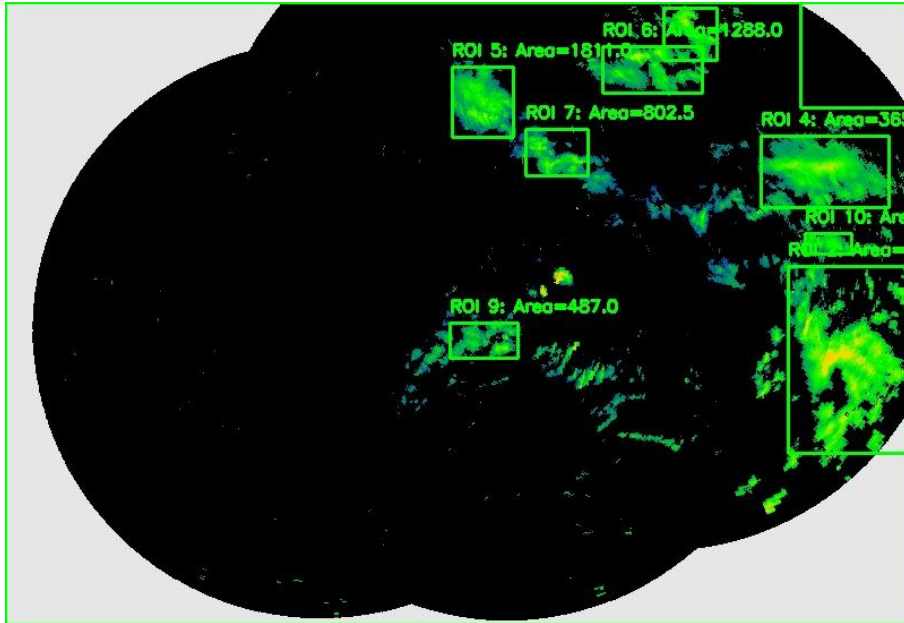


Apply Gaussian blur to reduce noise

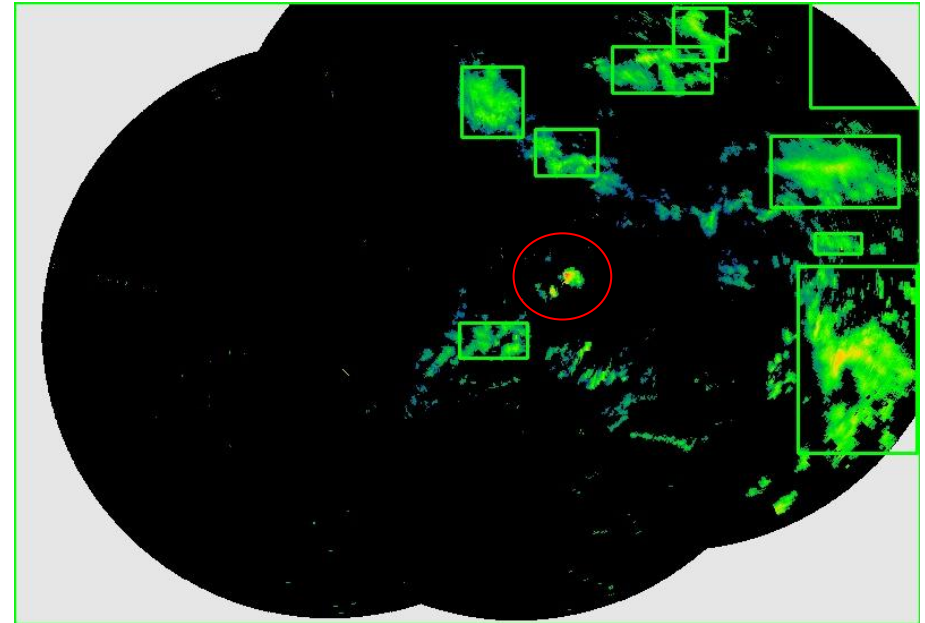


`cv2.GaussianBlur(gray1, (5, 5), 0)`

ROI - adapt for temporal consecutive radar scans

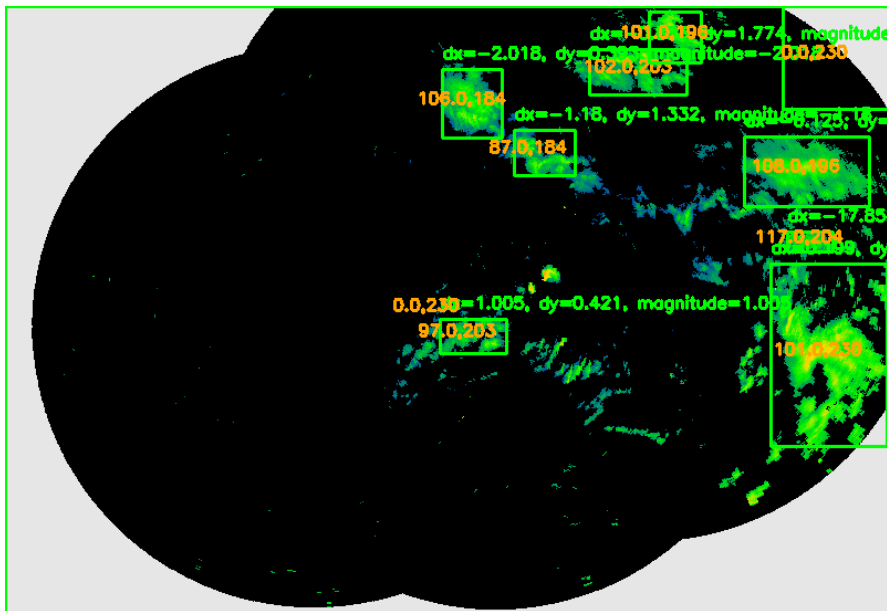


Extract top 10 ROIs from data

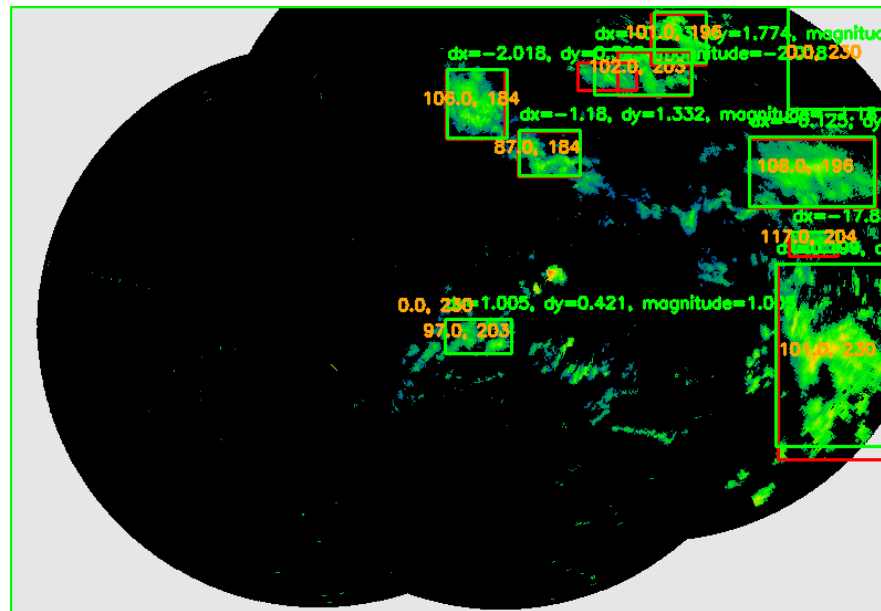


Apply 10 ROIs to next and previous timesteps

ROI - adapt for temporal consecutive radar scans

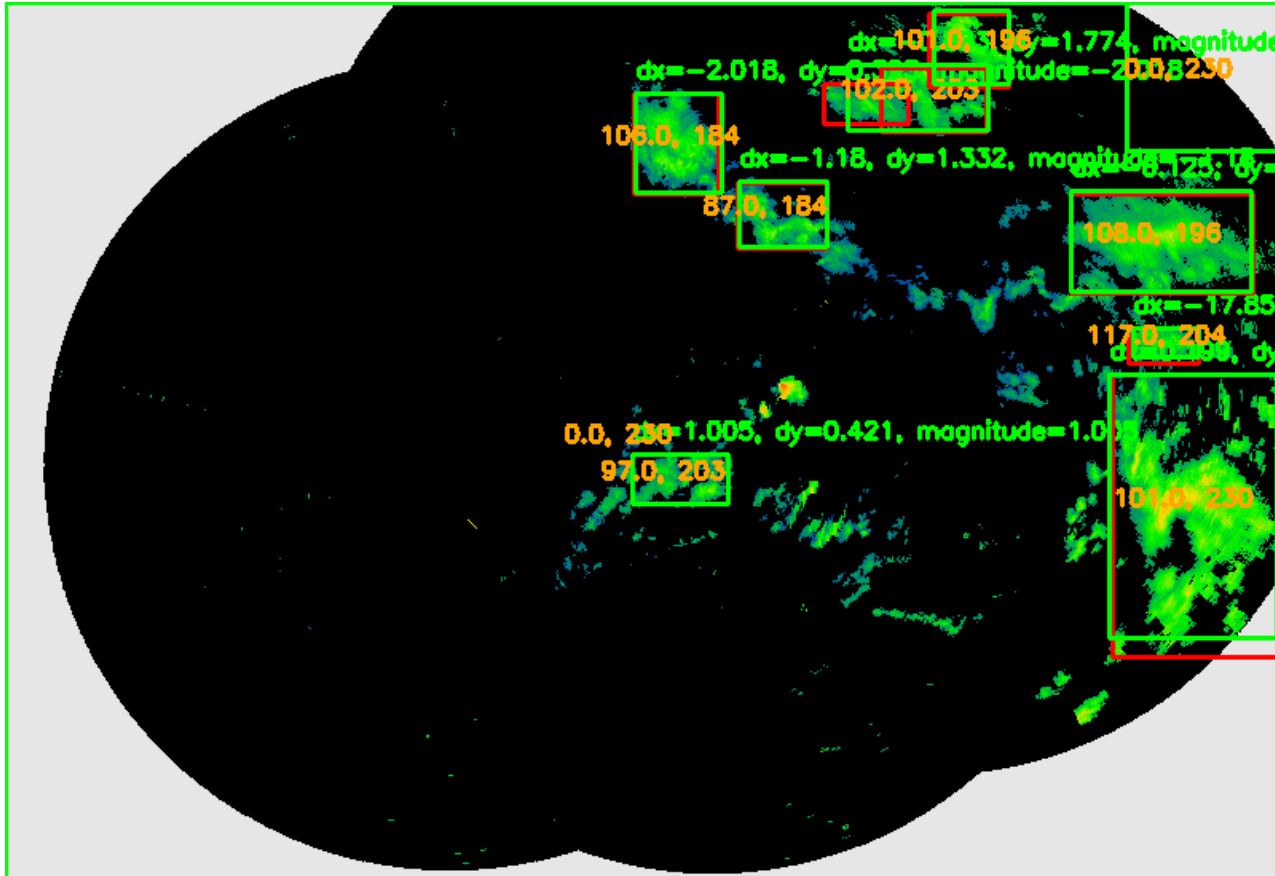


T-1: top 10 ROI1



T0: 10 ROI_1 green 10 ROI_2 red
Median and Max ROI_1

['ROI', 'dx', 'dy', 'magnitude']



ROI1

ROI1

Median, Max

- radar data (control = period/all)
 - T_PAGZ41_C_LZIB/png/ (all data)
 - T_PAGZ41_C_LZIB/png/arte (data which was labeled as with artefact)
- Train a classifier (Random Forest)
 - classifier = RandomForestClassifier
- Evaluate the classifier on the validation set
 - calculate classifier.predict, accuracy_score
- Testing radar period
 - T_PAGZ41_C_LZIB/png/arte_con (put data with artefact)
 - prepare csv with labels