



Koumbia – Burkina Faso

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Joint Experiment for Crop Assessment and Monitoring



Site Description

- 🇸🇩 Location: Burkina Faso
- 🇸🇩 Topography: flat
- 🇸🇩 Soils : Mostly sandy
- 🇸🇩 Drainage class/irrigation: No
- 🇸🇩 Crop calendar: June to Oct
- 🇸🇩 Field size: ≤ 3 ha
- 🇸🇩 Climate and weather: Tropical dry
- 🇸🇩 Agricultural methods used: rainfed crops





maize



cotton



sorghum



rice

Project Objectives



Crop identification and Crop Area Estimation

- Based on a combination of :
 - VHSR image with optical HSR time series
 - Optical + SAR data time series



Cropping system characterization

- Crop rotation
- Fallow mapping ????



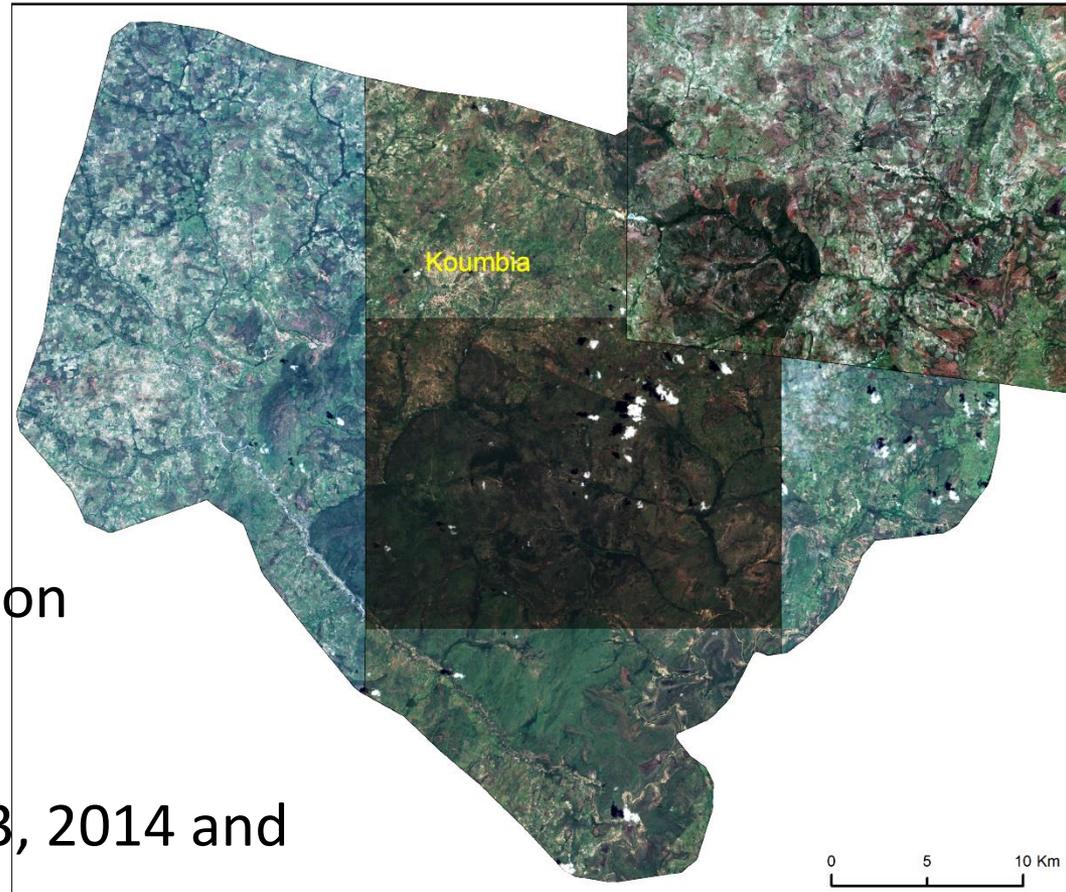
Yield Prediction and Forecasting

- Statistical approach
- SARRA-H modeling

2015 Earth Observation Data Used

Pléiades

- Airbus DS
- Optical (1200 km²)
- Nber of scenes: 3
- Cloud-free acquisition challenge, cost
- 4 years : 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 (generally sept-nov)



2015 Earth Observation Data Used

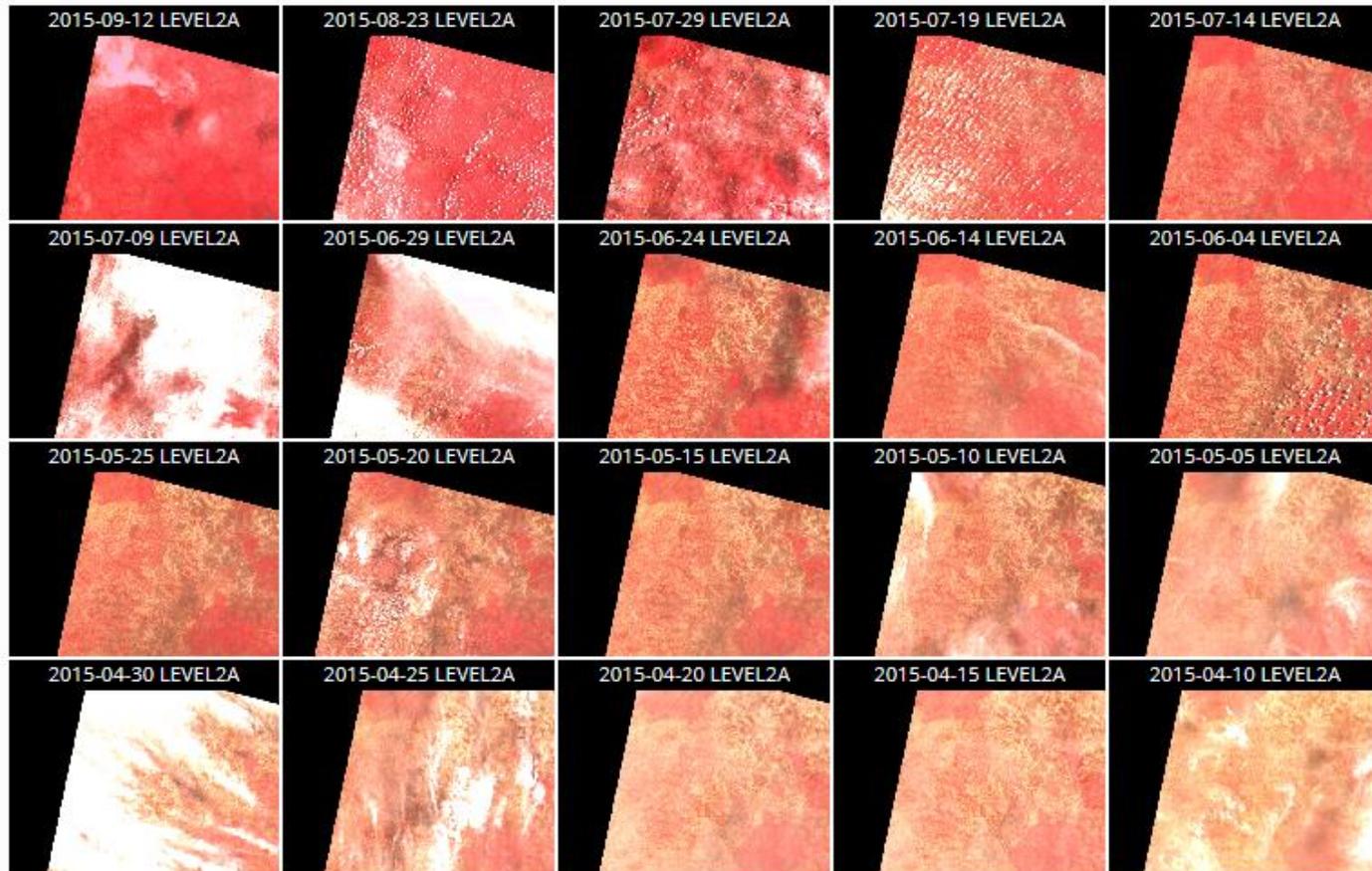
SPOT6

- Airbus DS
- Optical ($\sim 5000 \text{ km}^2$)
- Nber of scenes: 2
- Cloud-free acquisition challenge, cost
- 2015 (11 sept – 9 oct)



2015 Earth Observation Data Used

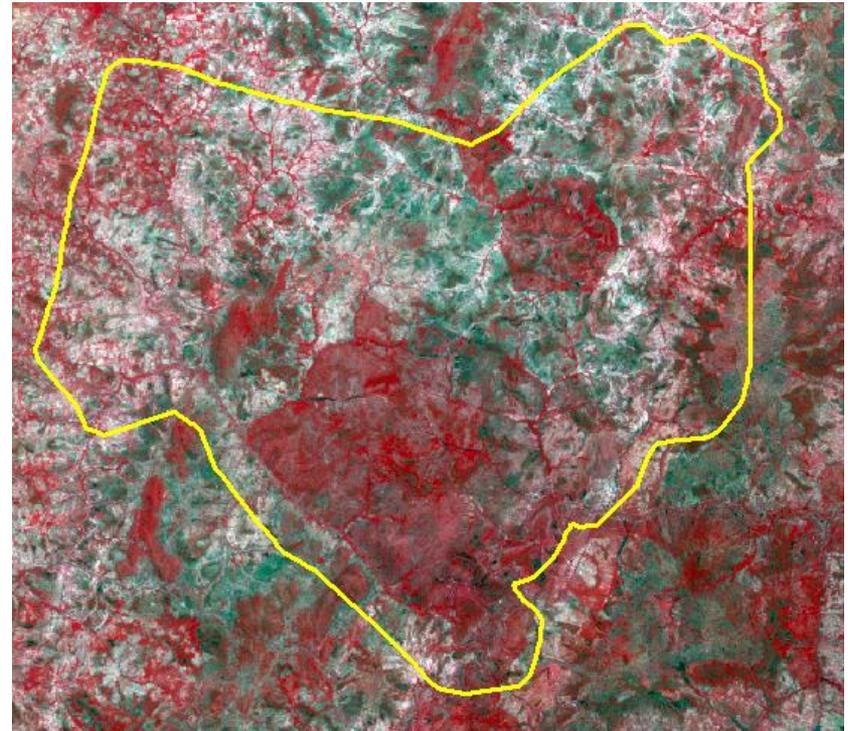
SPOT5/TAKE5 (April-mid September)



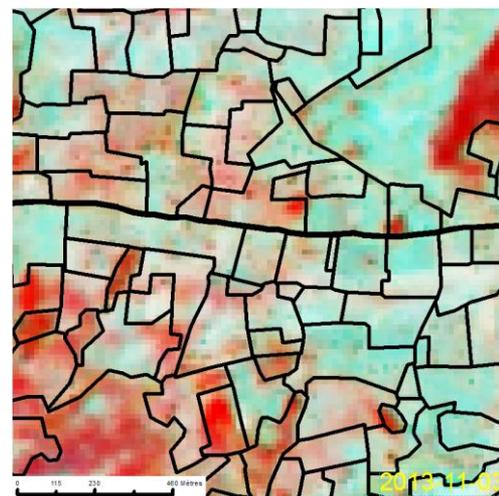
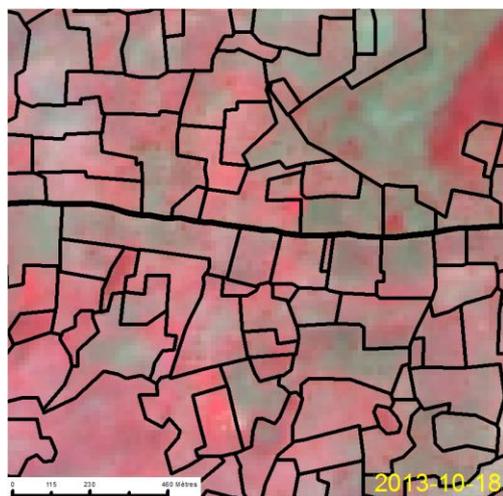
2015 Earth Observation Data Used

Landsat 8

- USGS
- Optical
- Nber of scenes: ?
- Clouds



Landsat 8 2013



2015 Earth Observation Data Used

RADARSAT

- SAR
- Nber of scenes: ~20
- 20 m resolution

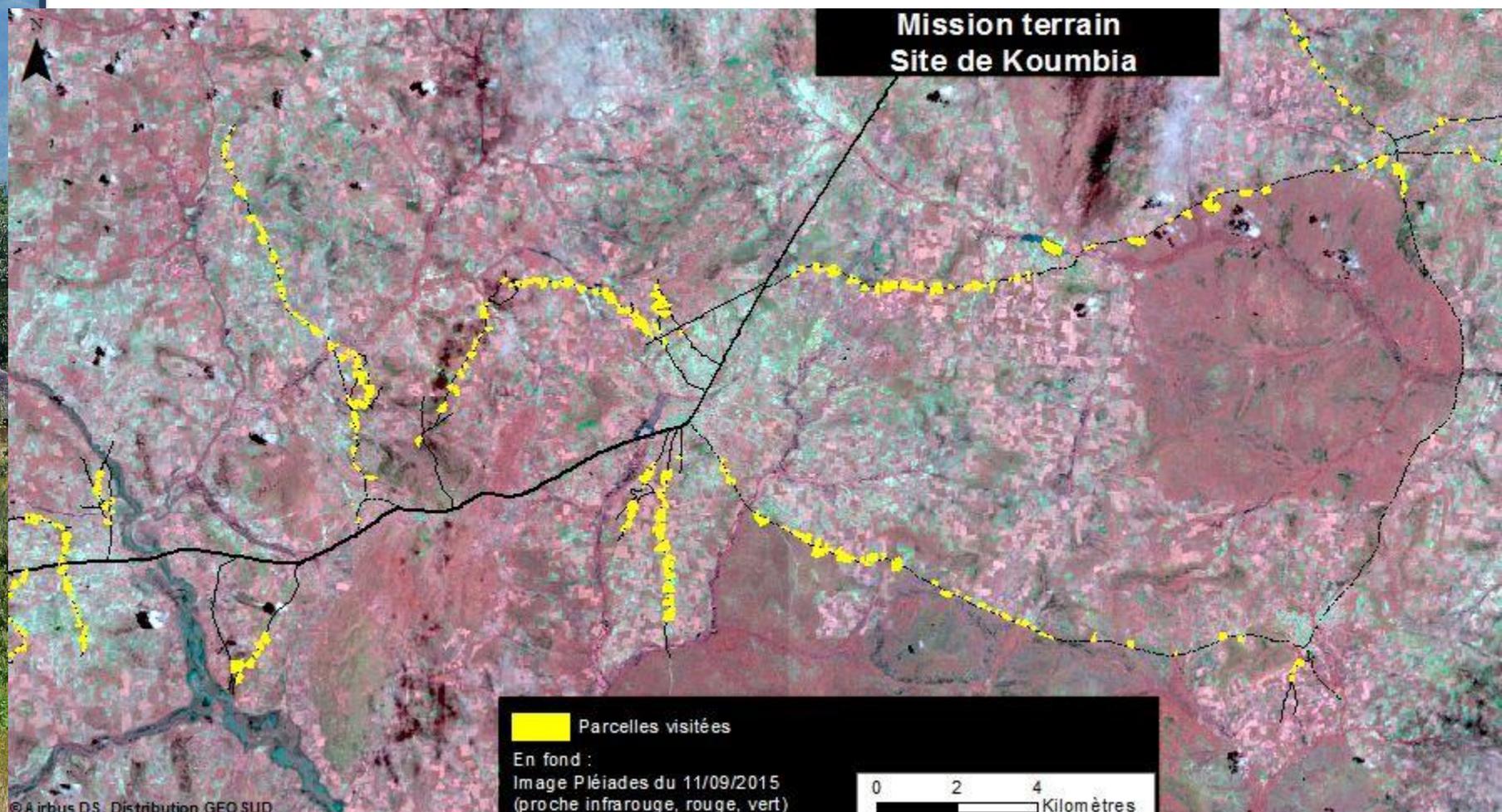
+ SENTINEL-1 ????

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In situ Data

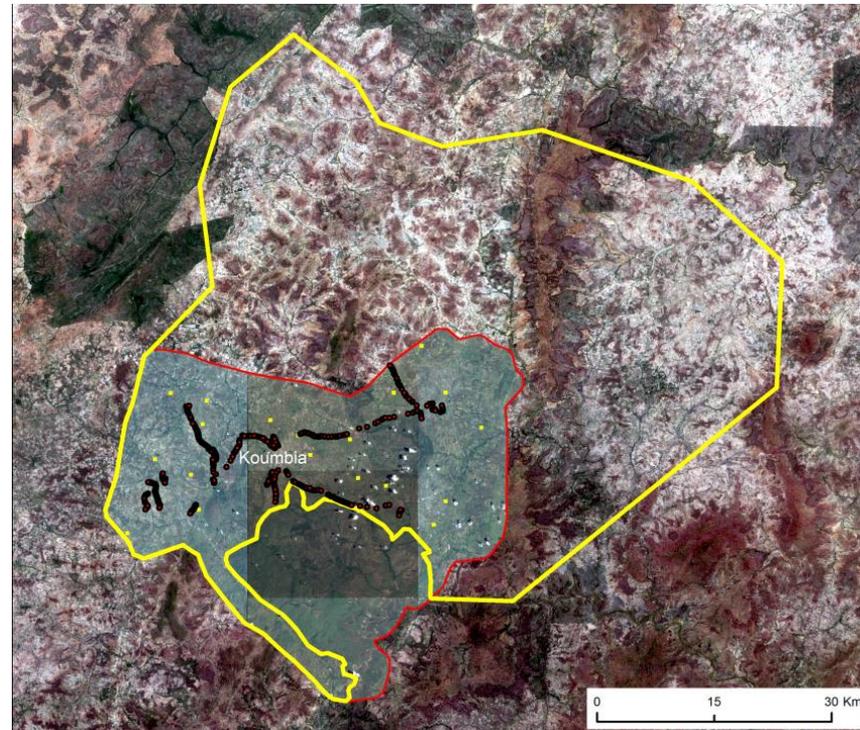
🇳🇬 Field surveys in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 :

- 700 GPS points (about the same then in 2014) -> 700 digitized fields



In situ Data

- 🇳🇬 Yields measurements over a surface of 3900 km²
 - 2014 and 2015 cropping seasons
 - 6 villages with 30 fields by villages (180 fields)
 - 3 rain gauges by villages



Collaboration

 Collaboration with other CIRAD JECAM sites
Madagascar

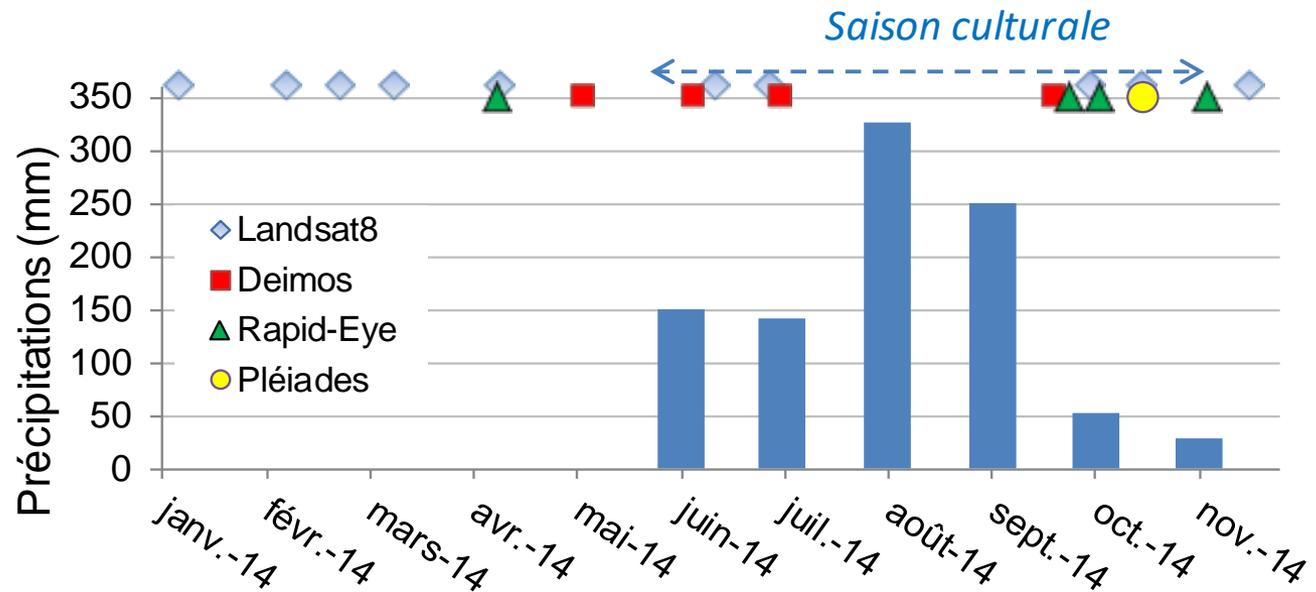
 SIGMA European Collaborative Project

 African partners:

- Burkina : Bobo Dioulasso University, CIRDES (yield part)
- Niger : AGRHYMET (early warning system)

2014 Method & results

 VHSR image + HSR optical time series



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 VHSR image + HSR optical time series

 Learning data base : 700 fields * 242 variables

 Random Forest

	Landsat 8	Deimos	RapidEye	Pléiades	SRTM	TOTAL
Spectral indices	BRI ->11 EVI->11 IVE->22 NDVI->22 NDWI->22	BRI ->3 IVE->6 NDVI->6	BRI ->4 EVI->4 IVE->8 NDVI->8	BRI ->1 EVI->1 IVE->2 NDVI->2	-	133
VIS refl.	89	-	-	6	-	95
PAN refl.	-	-	-	2	-	2
Texture	-	-	-	8	-	8
Other variables					DEM->2 SLOPE->2	4
TOTAL	177	15	24	22	4	242

2014 Method & results

JECAM nomenclature + Level 0

Level 0	Level A	Level B	Level C	Level D
Non-crop	Water bodies	Water bodies	Water bodies	Water bodies
	Build-up surface	Build-up surface	Build-up surface	Build-up surface
	Natural spaces	Rocs	Rocs	Rocs
		Grassland	Herbaceous savannah	Herbaceous savannah
		Natural forest	Natural forest	Natural forest
		Shrub land	Savannah with shrubs	Savannah with shrubs
	Fallow	Young fallow	Young fallow	Young fallow
		Old fallow	Old fallow	Old fallow
Crop	Ligneous crop	Other Cash woody crops	Other Cash woodycrops	Other Cash woodycrops
	Annual cropland	Oilseed	Groundnuts	Groundnuts Sesame Soybean Cowpeas
			Other	
			Soybean	
		Leguminous	Cowpeas	
		Cash crop	Fibre crop	Coton
		Cereals	Maize	Maize Millet Rice Sorghum
			Millet	
Rice				
		Sorghum		

Cropland

Land cover

Crop group

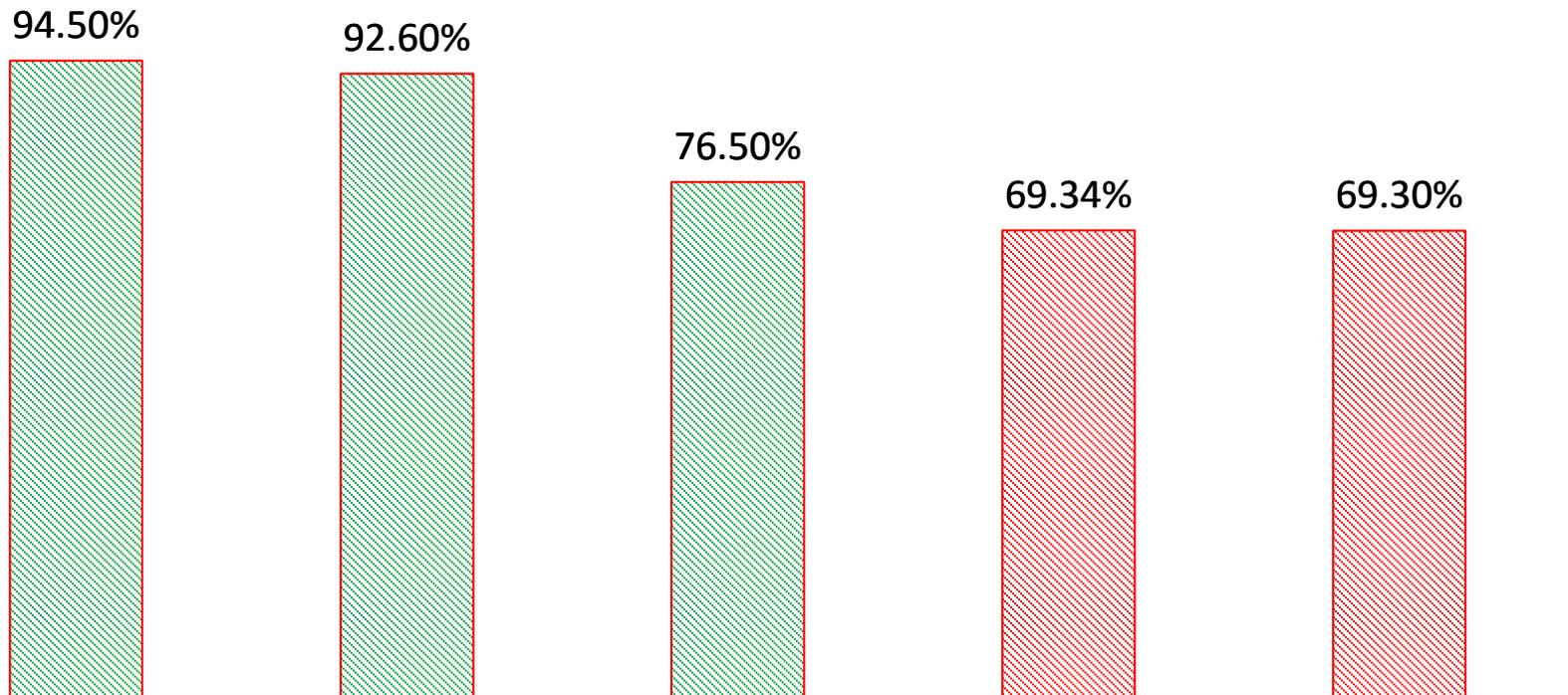
Crop class

Crop sub-class

2014 Results

 Classification results (RF OOB error)

Overall accuracy



LEVEL 0

Cropland

LEVEL A

Land cover

LEVEL B

Crop group

LEVEL C

Crop class

LEVEL D

Crop sub-class

2014 Results

Classification strategy experiments

Overall accuracy (crop groups; Level B)



1. Crop/non crop classification
2. « Crop group » and « crop class » classification within the cropland only

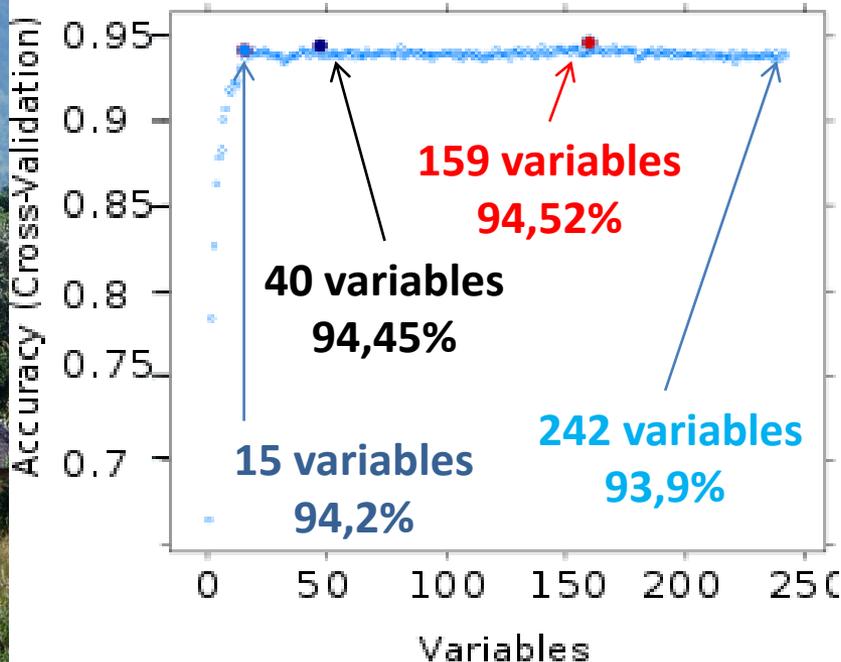
1. Level D classification
2. Lower levels maps by regrouping classes

At each level, a new classification is launched on the whole database.

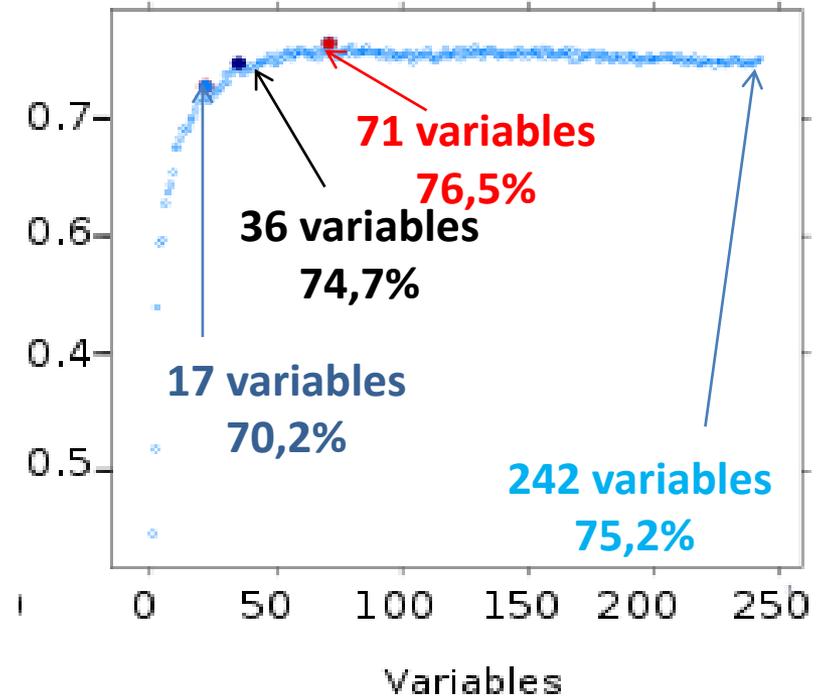
2014 Results

🇳🇵 Classification tests on input variables

Crop/non crop



Crop group



- > The best overall accuracy can be obtained with less variables
- > ~20 variables for a « thematically » acceptable overall accuracy

2014 Method



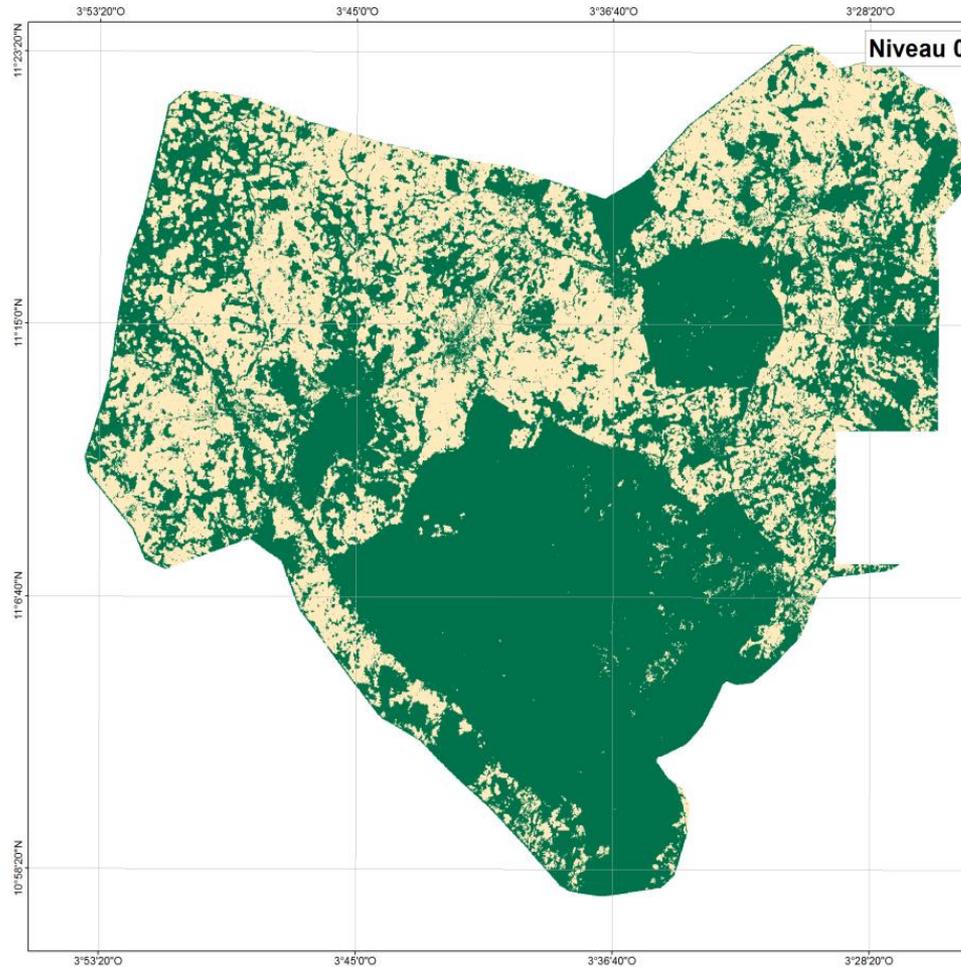
Classification strategy recommendations

- Hierarchical method (1st step : cropland map)
- Need of a VHRS image to separate the non-cropland from the cropland (texture)
- No advantage of using VHSR for crop group or type classification

- ~20 variables
- VIs better than reflectances
- Key dates during the growing period

2014 Results

Cropland map



Cartographie des zones de Cultures et Non culture Koumbia (Burkina-Faso, 2014) Niveau 0

Légende

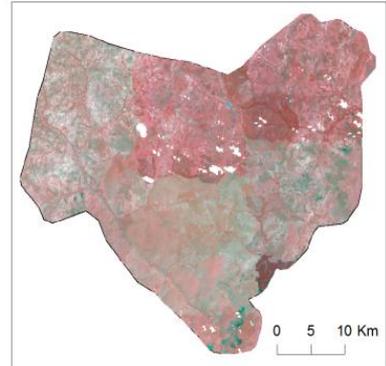
 Culture  Non-culture

Commentaire

Cartographie effectuée au niveau 0, à partir d'une classification traditionnelle sur l'ensemble des 242 variables.

Données et systèmes de référence

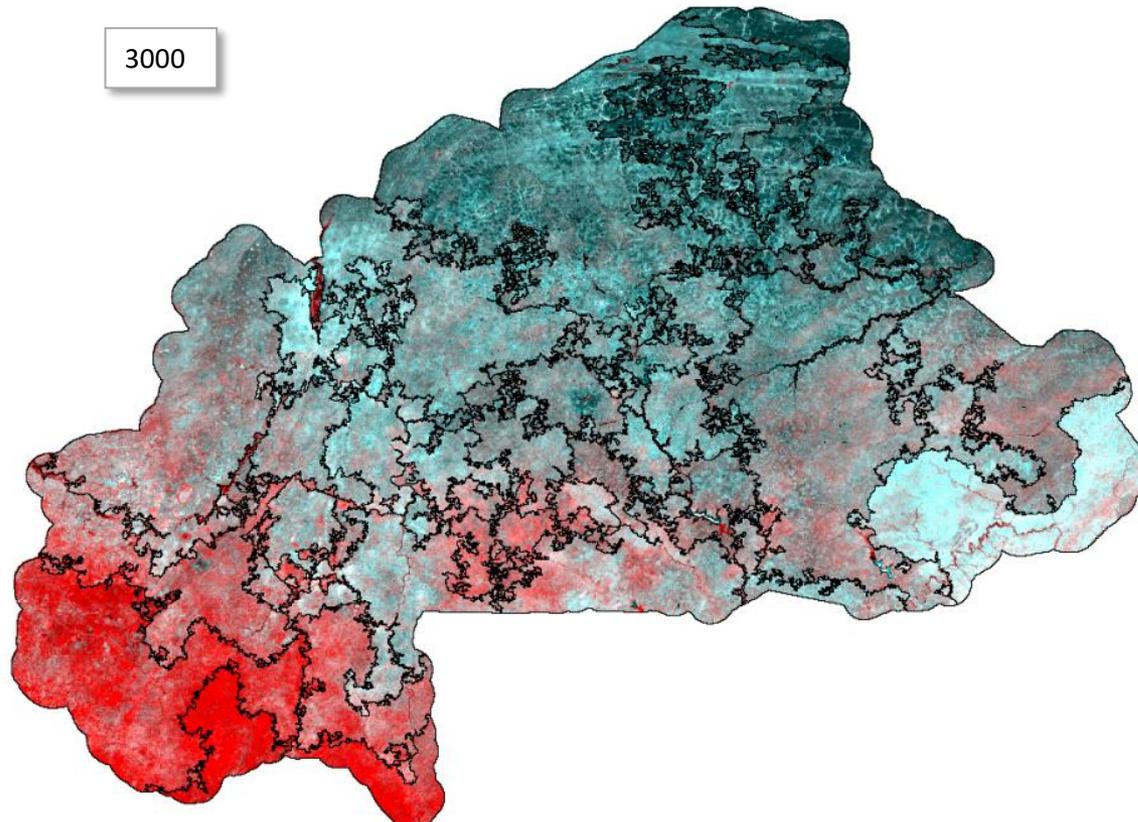
Données	Système de projection
Images Pléiades	UTM Zone 30 N
Octobre 2014	Système de coordonnées WGS 1984



Source : Production cartographique réalisée par Suzanne Butler, 2015

Other results

 Country stratification using MODIS time series



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Research Plans for Next Growing Season

🇰🇪 Will you hold the course, or modify the approach?

Improve the approach by :

🇰🇪 *Multi-source data fusion (VHSR, optical-radar time series) + S2*

🇰🇪 *Agrosystem stratification*

🇰🇪 *Combination of spatial modeling (Ocelet) and image processing (SIGMA research)*

🇰🇪 *Multi-year data analysis (5 years 2012-2016)*

+ 2016 ground campaign planned

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