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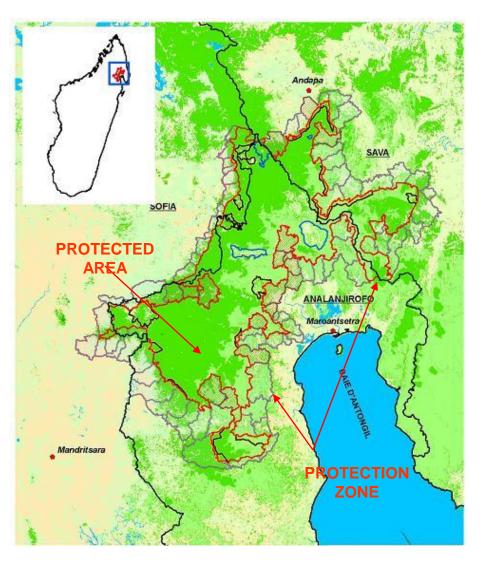


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USING IDRISI ON MAKIRA'S REDD PROJECT

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MAKIRA



• Establishment:

- 2001: Makira initiated
- 2005 : Makira received temporary PA status
- 2010 : Pending status for Makira

Area :

- Protected Area: 372,470
 - Ha
- Protection Zone: 335,173
 - Ha

Landscape :

- Larger intact eastern rainforest
- Exceptional biodiversity

HISTORY

- June 2008: WCS signs an agreement with GOM to market 9.1 million tons of Makira Protected Area forest carbon through 2033 (current contract thru 2012).
- 2008: Market volunteer 7\$/ton a total amount equivalent to \$ 595 000 to use in 2 years
- Since 2008: work with Smart wood rainforest alliance for acquiring the CCBA (Climate Community Biodiversity Alliance) certification



HISTORY

- 2008-2010: Elaborate the Project Design Document (VCS and CCBA)
- September 2008: Technical training of biomass inventory with "Winrock International" in Maroantsetra

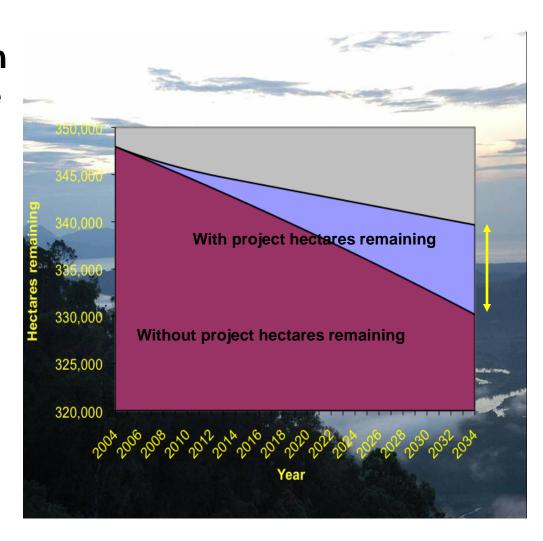






CONCEPT OF THE BASELINE

- Without project carbon stock (diminution due to deforestation and degradation)
- With project carbon stock (diminution of deforestation and degradation)
- Carbon emission avoided by the project (credits)



REDD BASELINE using IDRISI

5 main steps

- Carbon stock quantification
- Historical trends
- Identification of the variables
- Creation of the model and projection of the rate and location of future deforestation
- Ex-ante estimation of carbon stock change under the project scenario

BASELINE: carbon stock quantification

02 steps on the field:

- > Preliminary data
- > Data for the baseline

5 strata for the preliminary inventor

- > Intact forest (mid alt)
- Intact forest (low alt)
- Degraded forest (mid alt)
- Degraded forest (low alt)
- > Savoka (SVK)

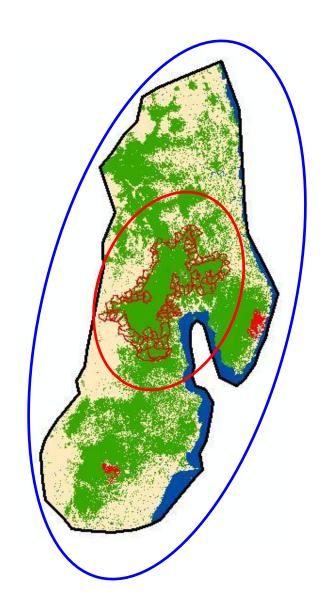
After calculation (based on pressure)

- Forest with high pressure
- > Forest with low pressure
- > Savoka

SPATIAL DELIMITATION (BioCF Methodology)

- The <u>"project area"</u> is the area in which the REDD project activity will be implemented and GHG emission reductions accounted.
- The « <u>Leakage belt</u> » is defined as the land area or land areas surrounding or adjacent to the project area in which baseline activities could be displaced due to the project activities implemented in the project area
- The "reference area" is the area from which information on historical deforestation is extracted and projected into the future to spatially locate the area that will be deforested in the baseline case.

The REFERENCE AREA is five times larger area than the project area and includes the project area and has the same forest dynamic



DEFINITION OF FOREST

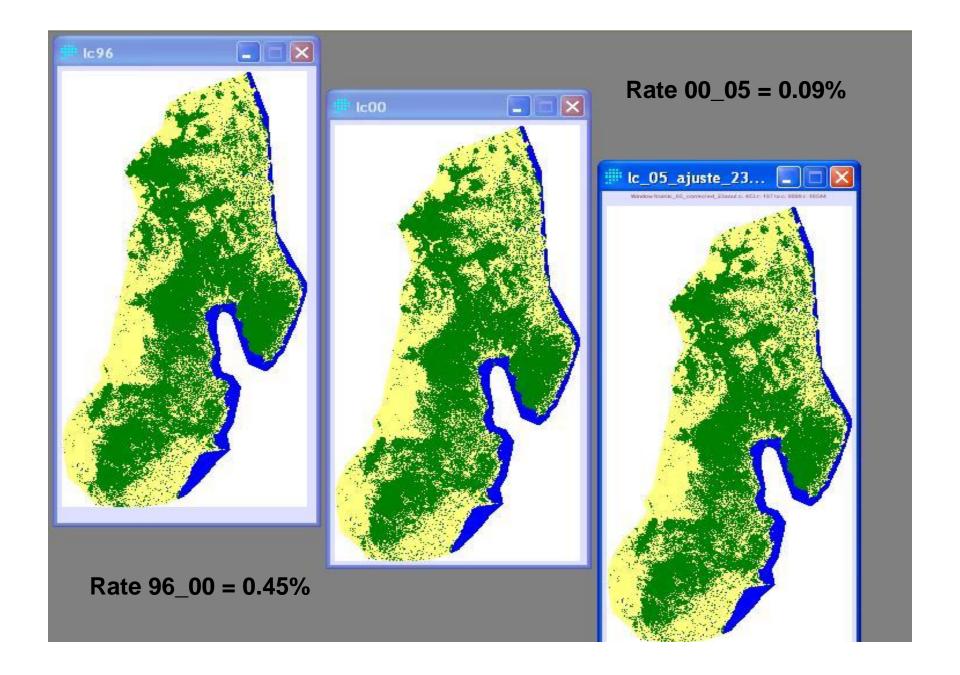
Madagascar National definition of forest (UNFCCC 2008)

- Over 30% canopy cover
- Over 5 meters in height
- –In patches of over 1 Ha

BASELINE: TIME SERIES

- 3 dates of land use data 1996,2000 and 2005
- 1996 2000 : creation and calibration of the model
- 2000 2005 : validation and adjustment of the model





CAUSES OF DEFORESTATION

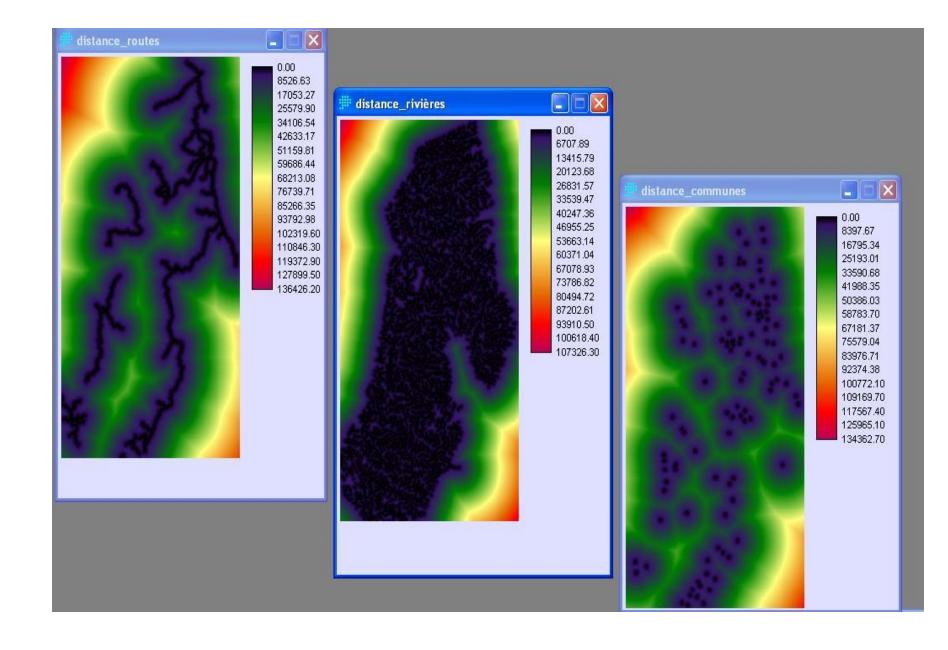
 The main drivers of deforestation in the Makira area include swidden agriculture, exploitation of timber, burning of forest land for cattle grazing, illicit commercial exploitation of the forests' hardwood species, bushmeat hunting and illicit commercial mining of quartz and precious stones

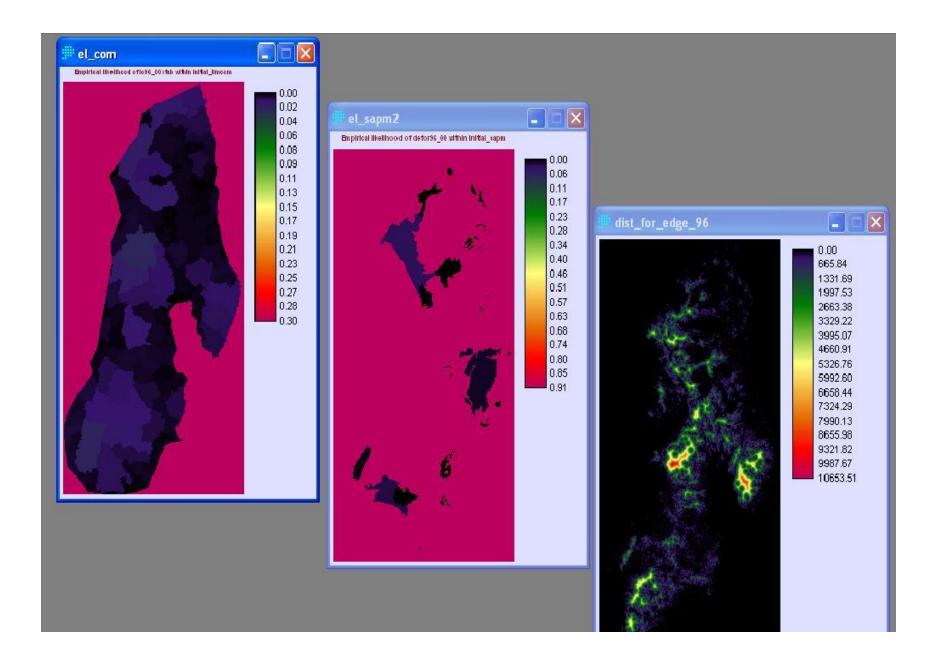
DEFORESTATION RATE

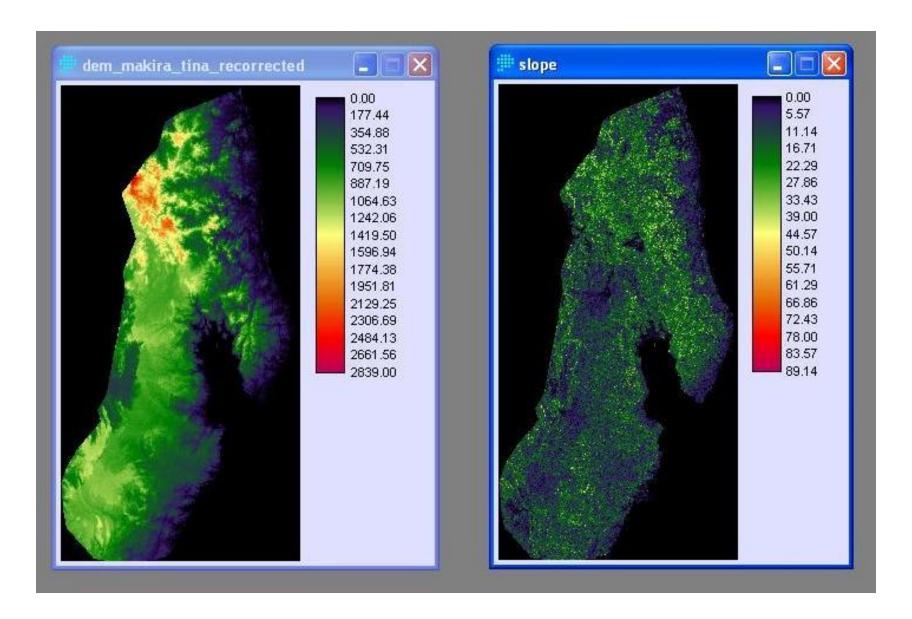
- Rate 1996 2000 = 0.45% / year
- Rate 2000 2005 = 0.09% / year
- Rate 1996 2005 = 0.27% / year

BASELINE: Identification of variables

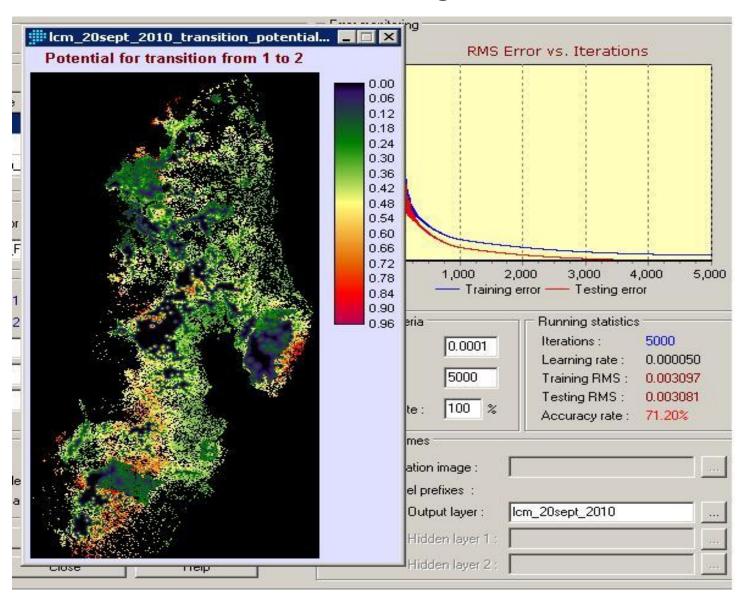
- Distance to roads
- Distance to rivers
- Distance to localities (villages, district, communes)
- Slope
- DEM
- Evidence likelihood (communes)
- Evidence likelihood (protected area)
- Distance from edge to the inside of the forest





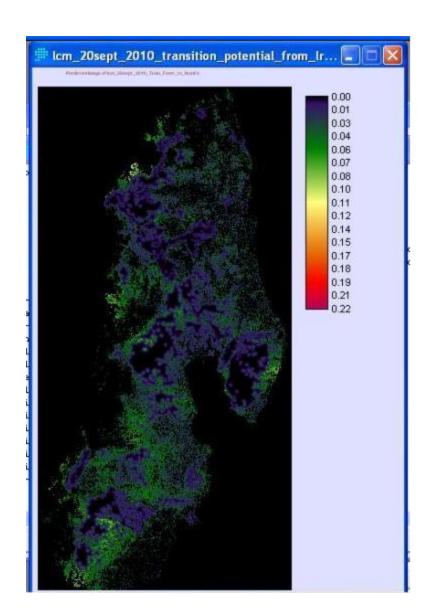


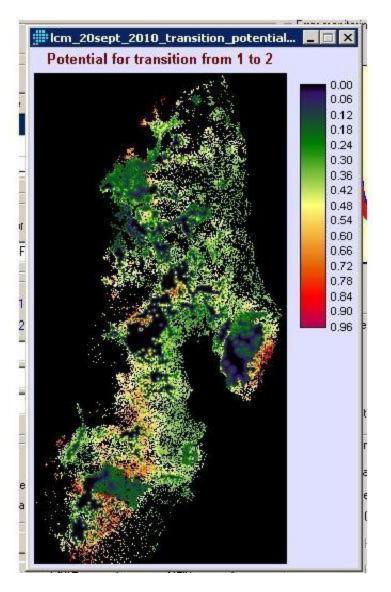
BASELINE: Modeling future scenarios



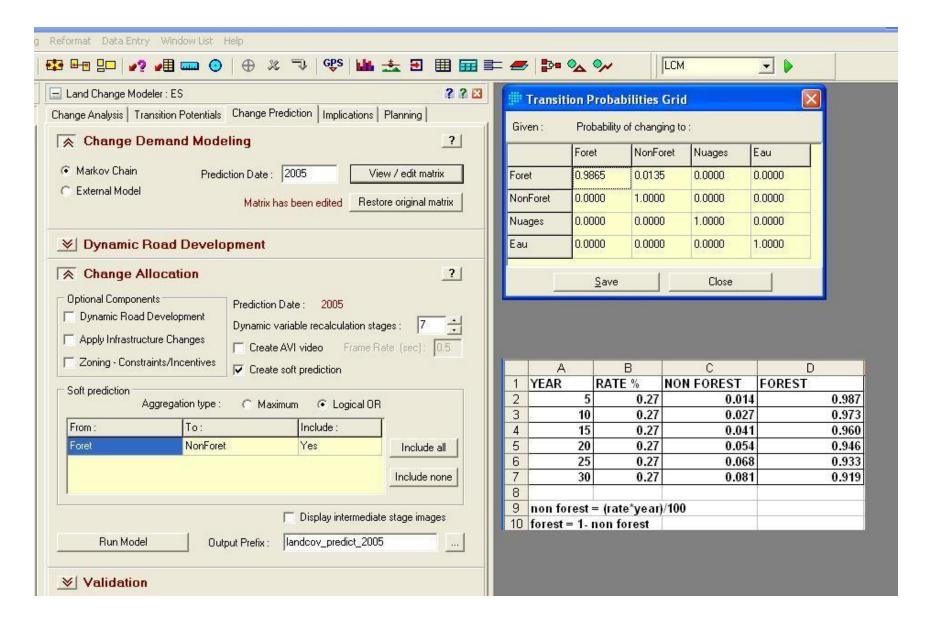
LOGISTIC REGRESSION

MLP NEURAL NETWORK

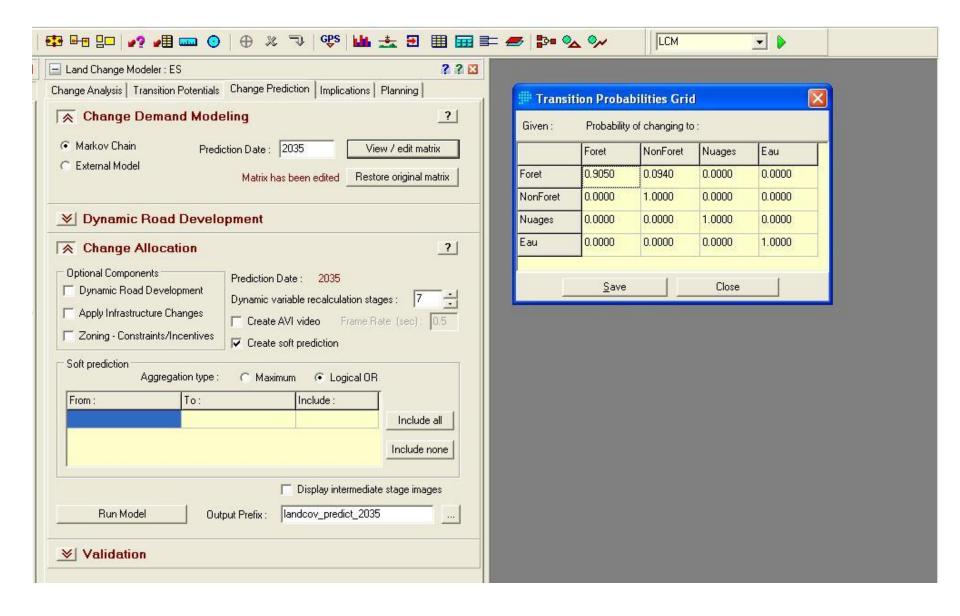


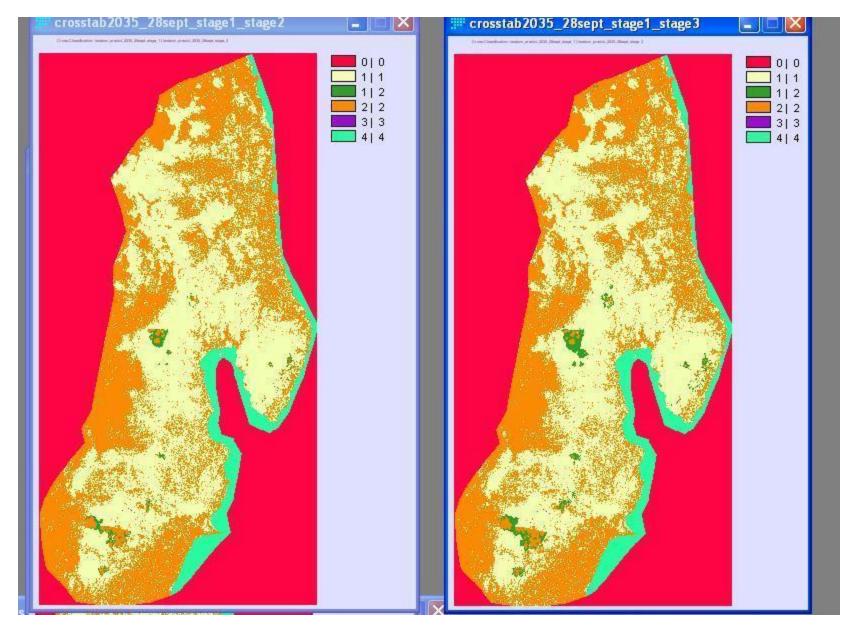


PREDICTION WITH STATIC VARIABLES

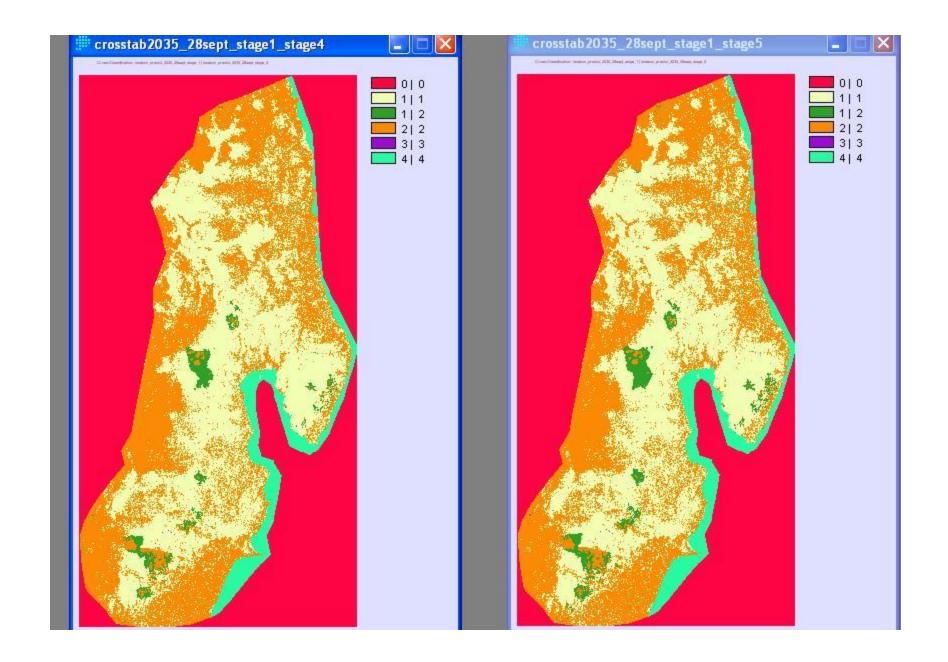


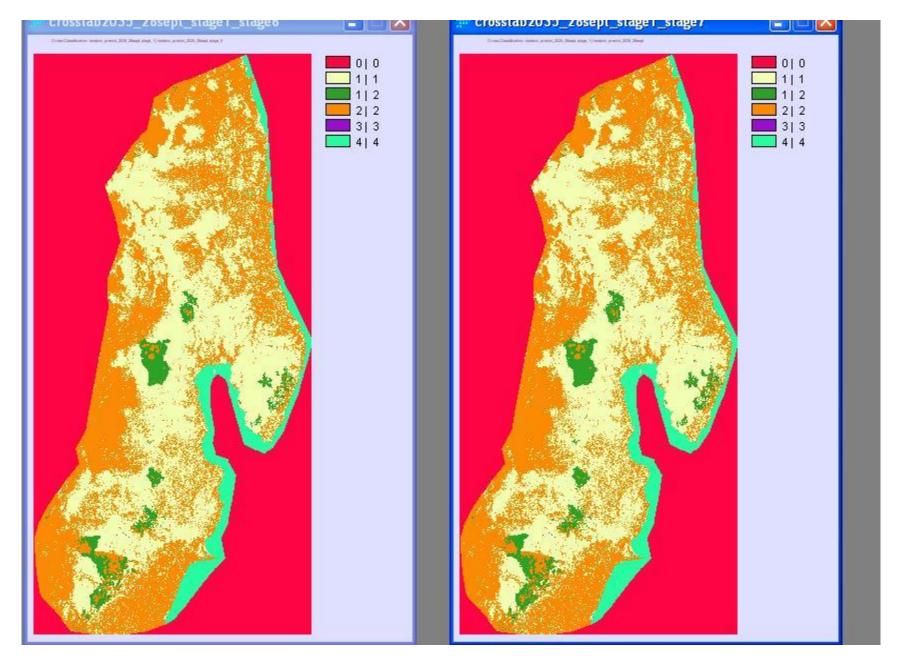
PREDICTION WITH DYNAMIC VARIABLE





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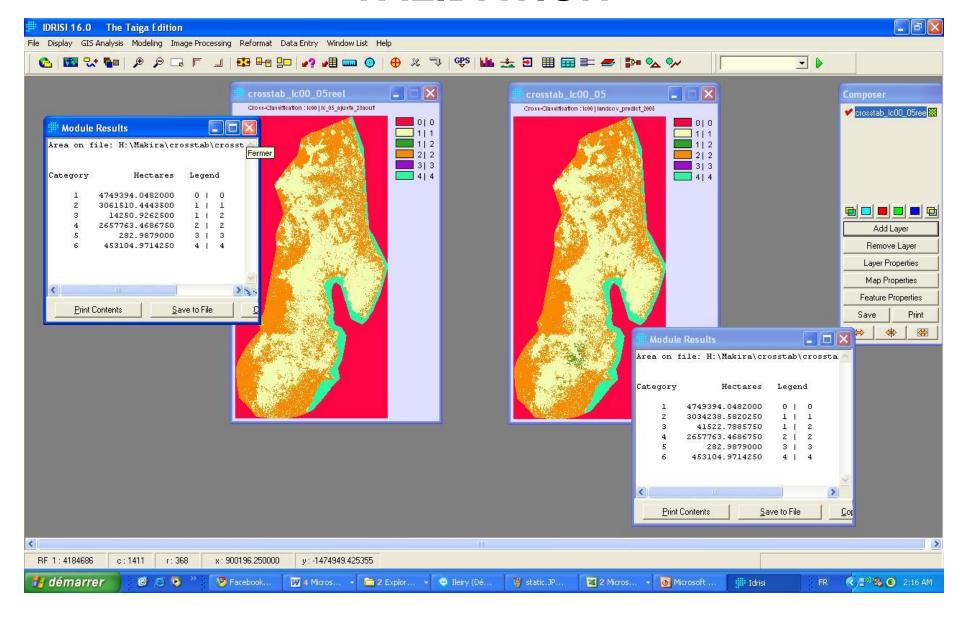




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VALIDATION



ISSUES

- Need a high performance computer
- File size requires a big space disk
- Ram = or more than 2Go
- Some bugs

