



Markov Point Process for Multiple Object Detection

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Outline

Motivation



The different issues :

- objects
- reference measure
- prior
- data term
- **optimization**

Some results

Du contexte



A la géométrie



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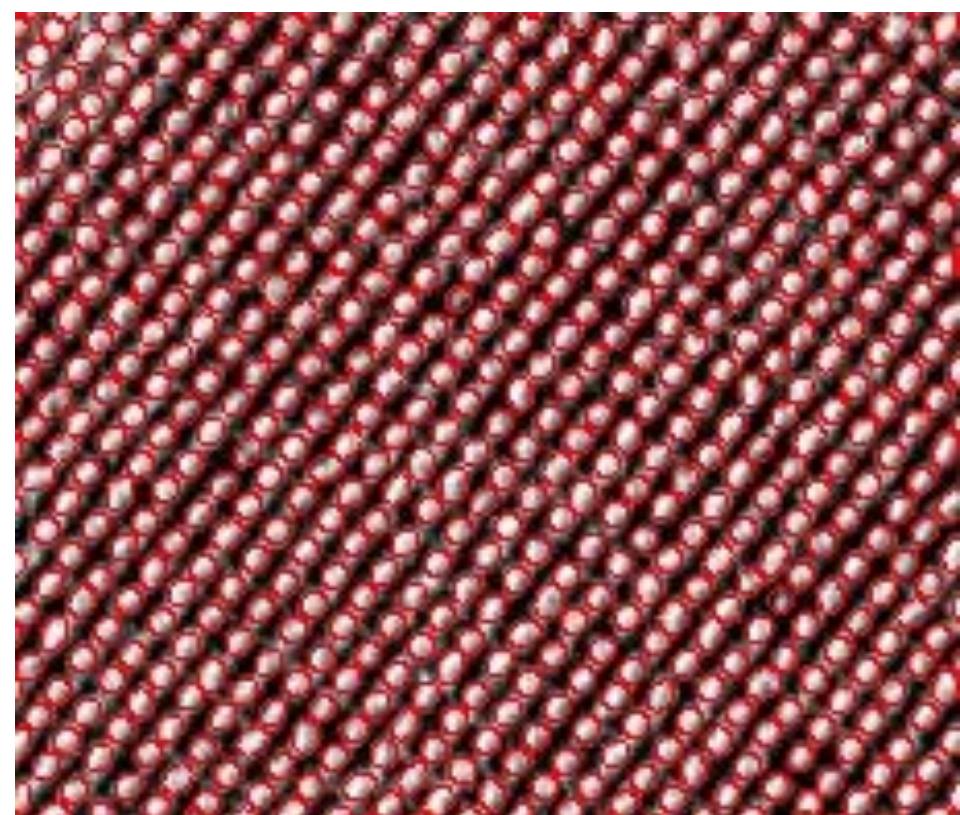
Motivation : from context to geometry

- 1) Consider prior information (Bayesian approach, Markov Random Fields, interactions)
- 2) Embed geometric information (graph of objects)
- 3) Modeling the scene structure (interactions between objects, unknown number of objects)
- 4) Need algorithms for simulating, optimizing the models

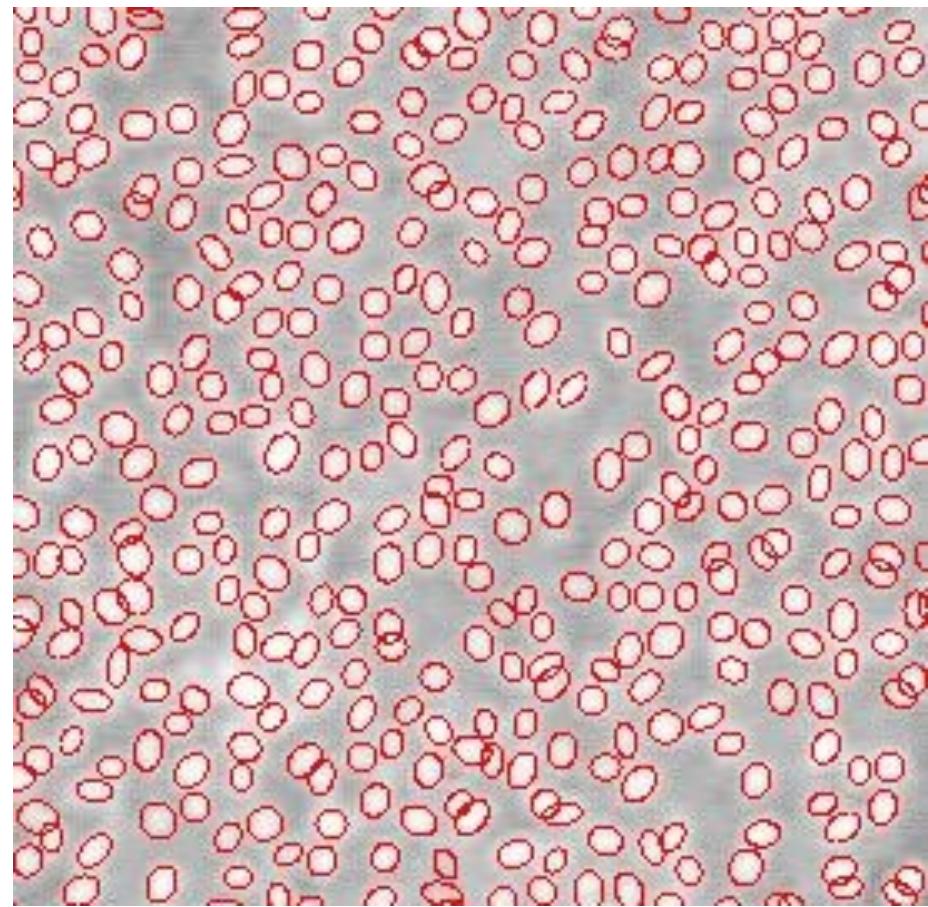
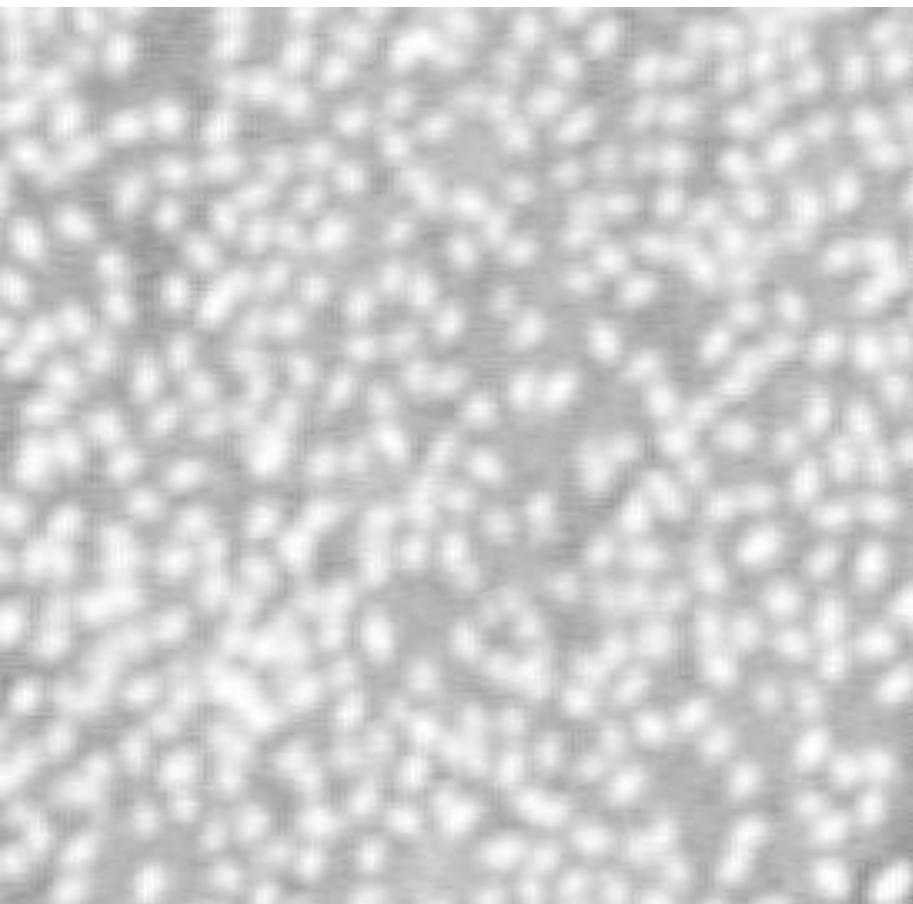


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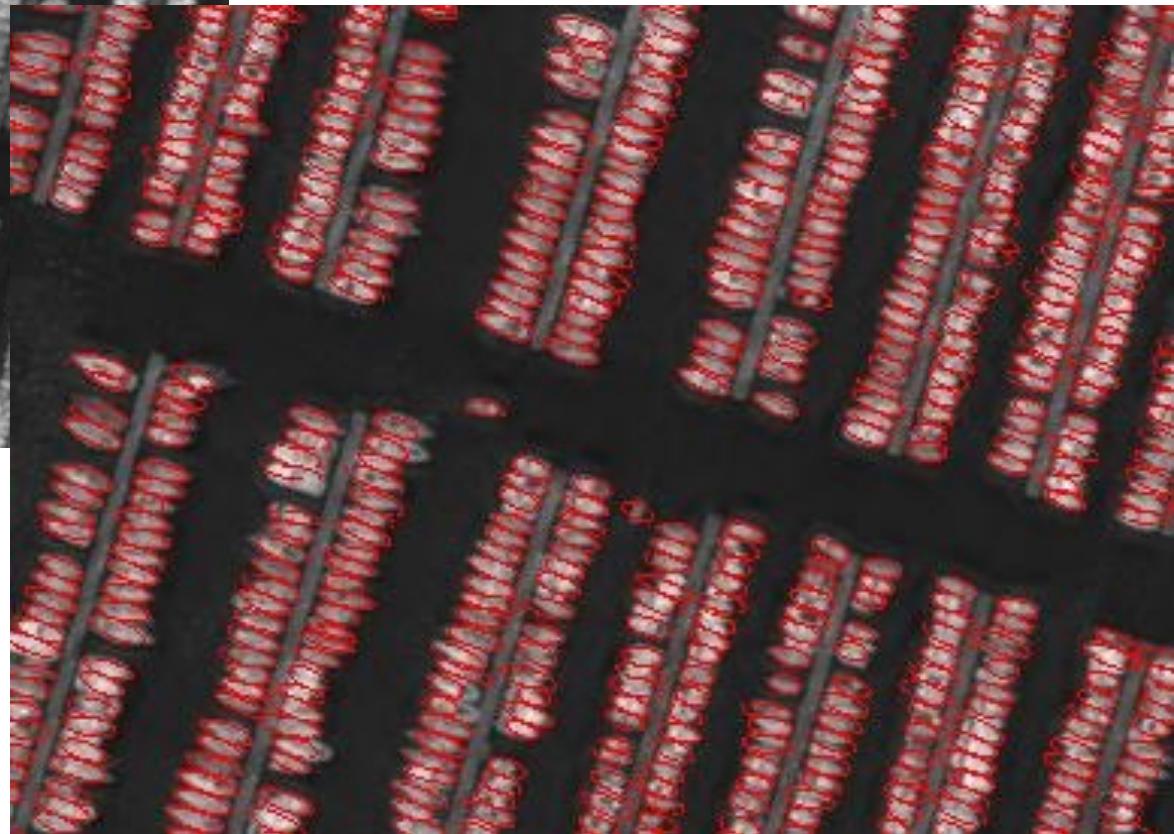
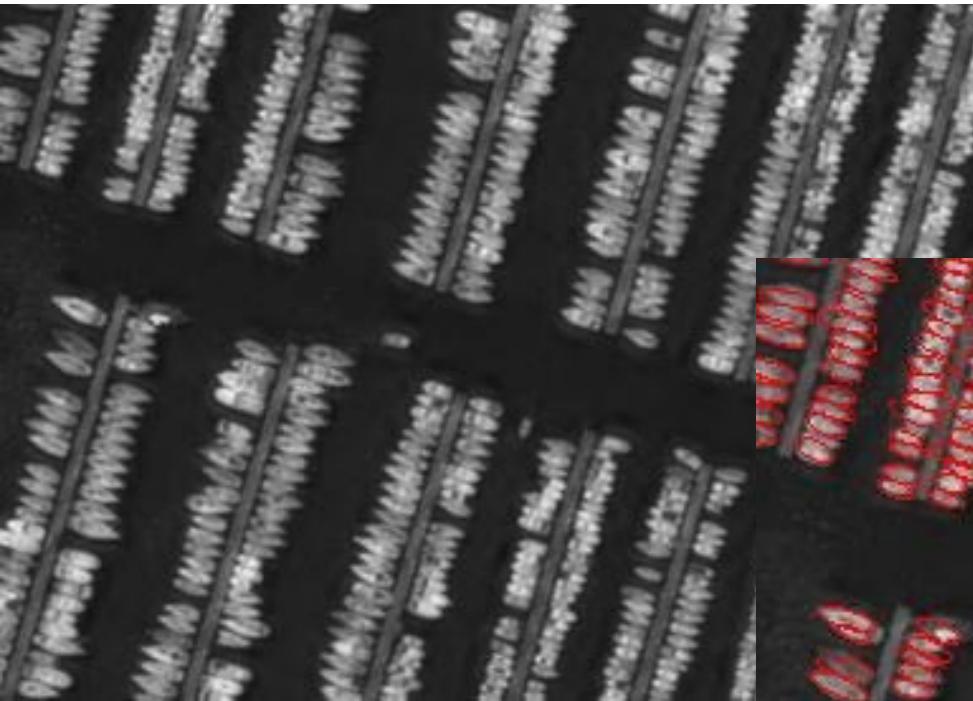
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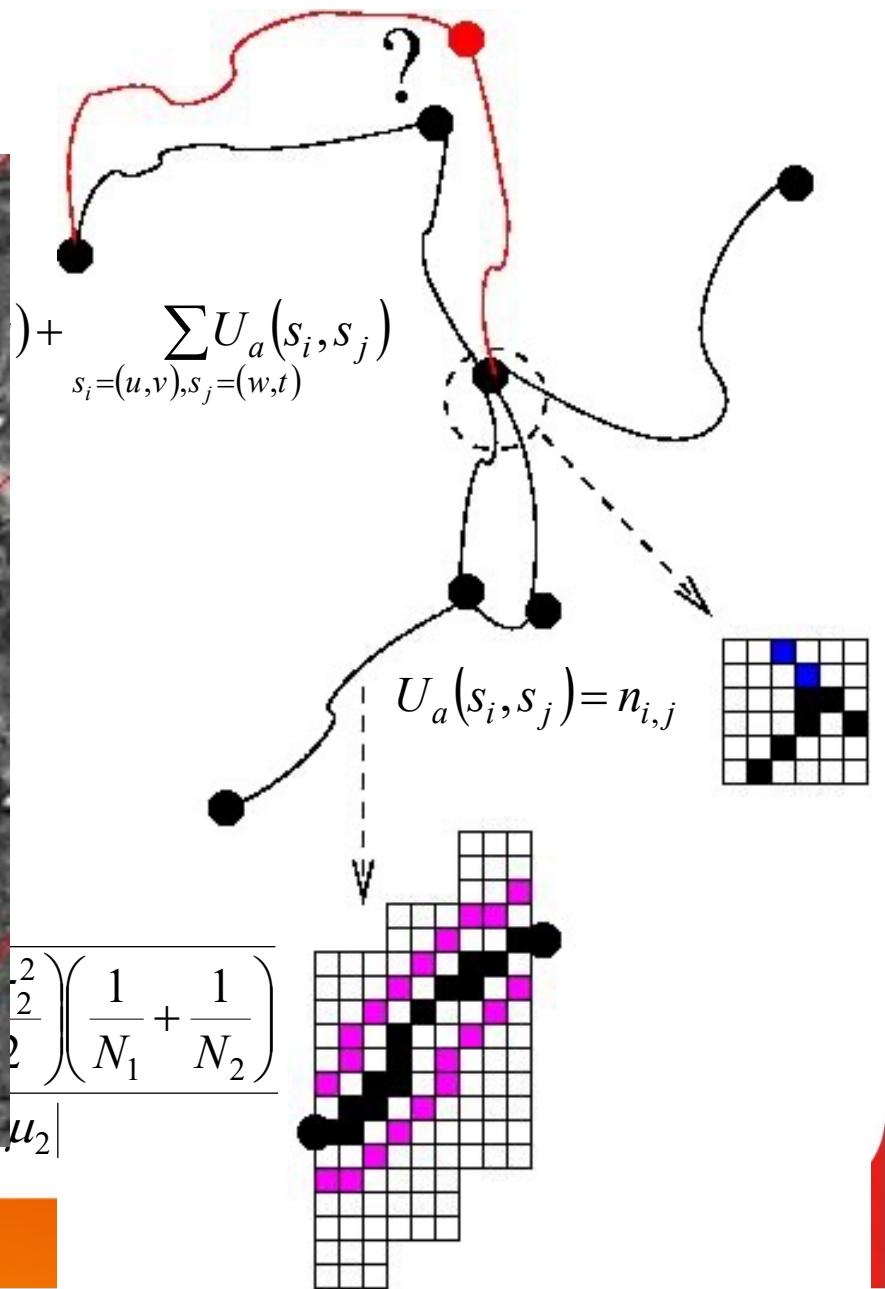
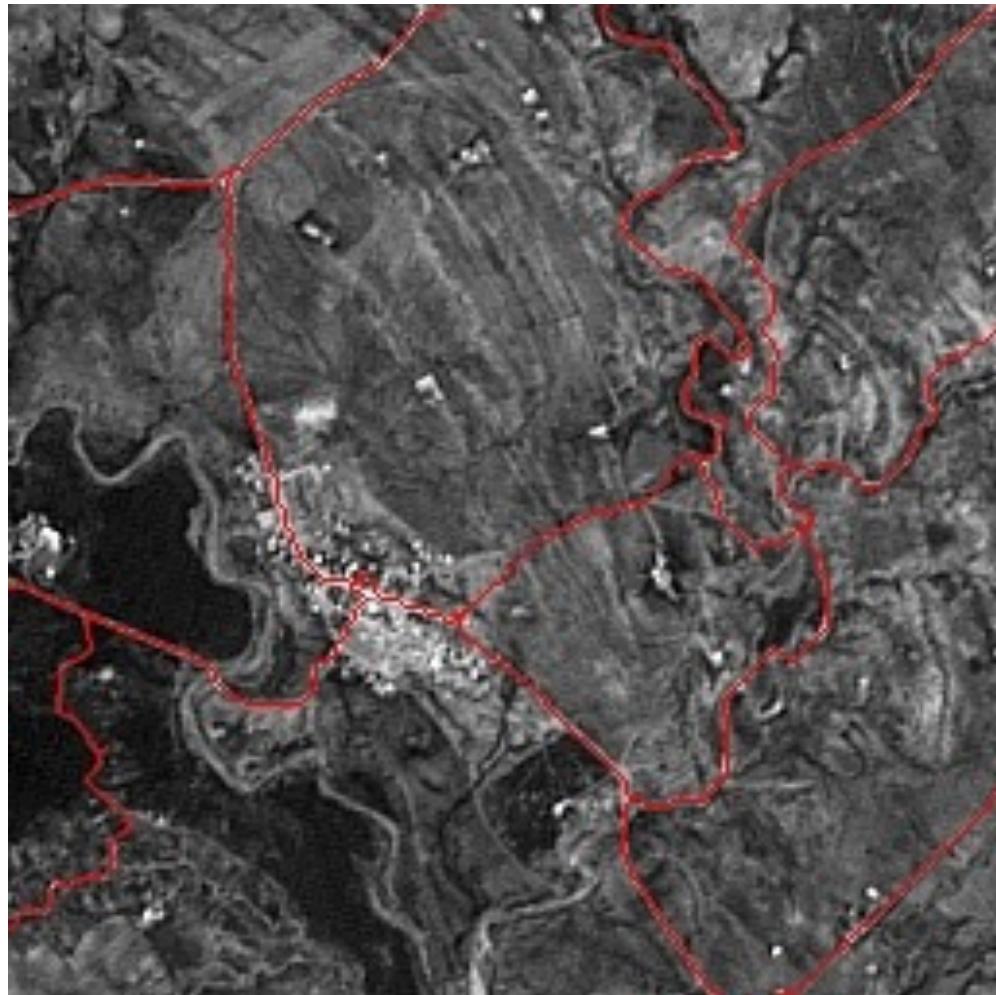
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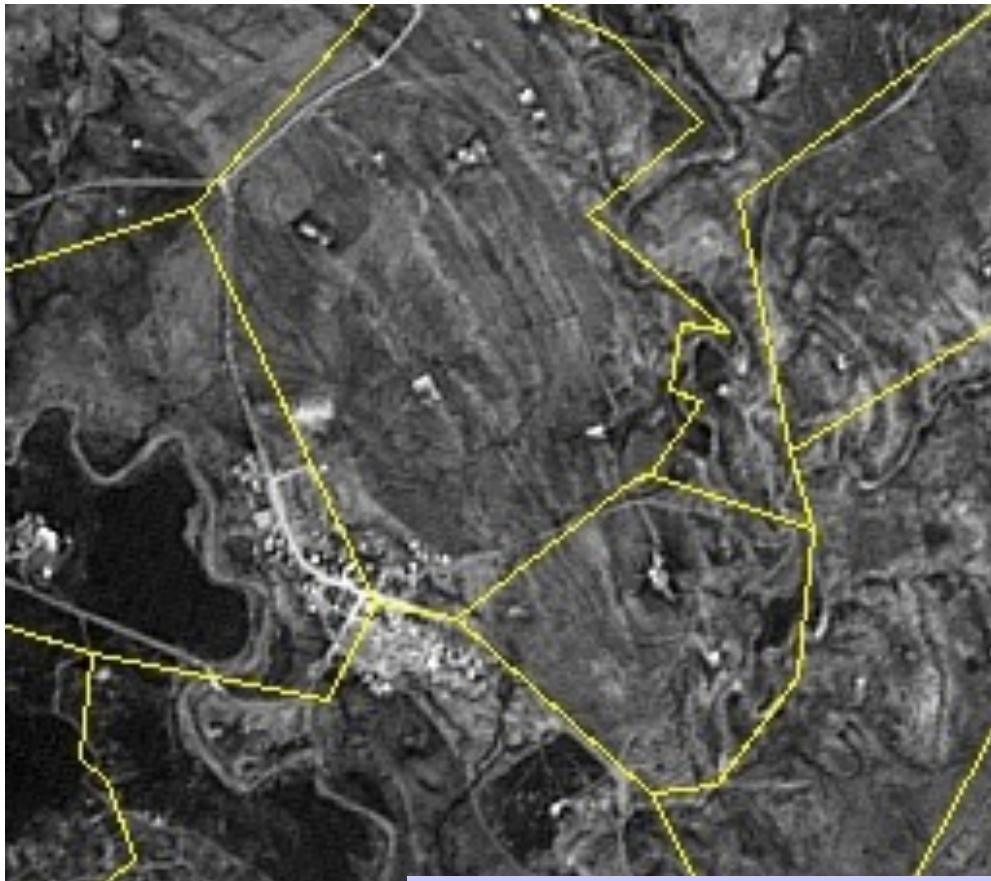
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Exemple: détection de réseaux routiers



Problèmes liés à cette approche



- 1) Combien de noeuds ?
- 2) Où positionner les arêtes ?

Solution : processus ponctuels marqués

Processus de Poisson

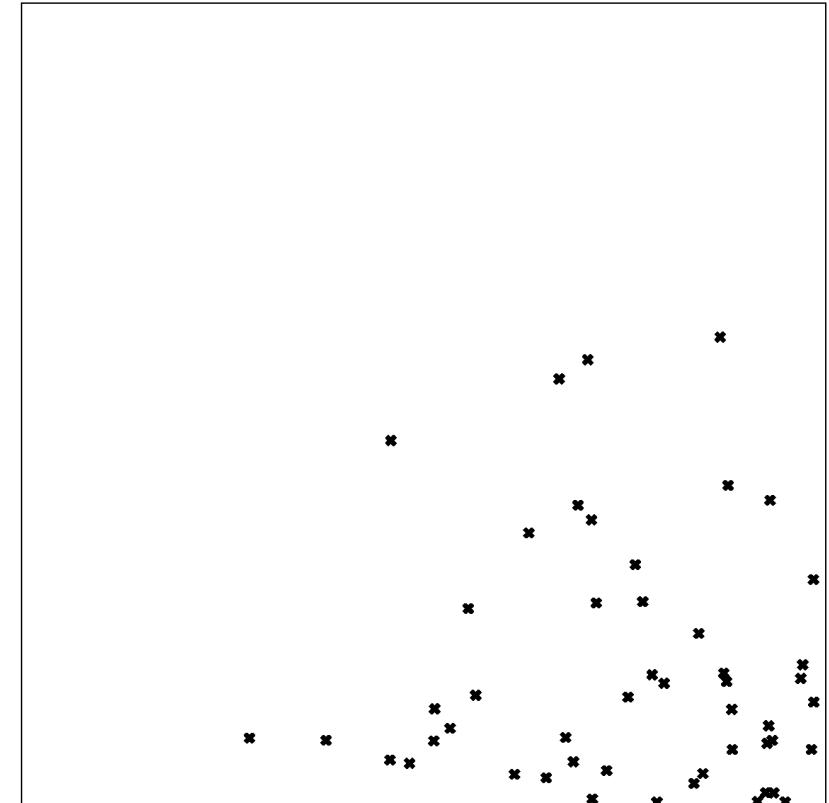
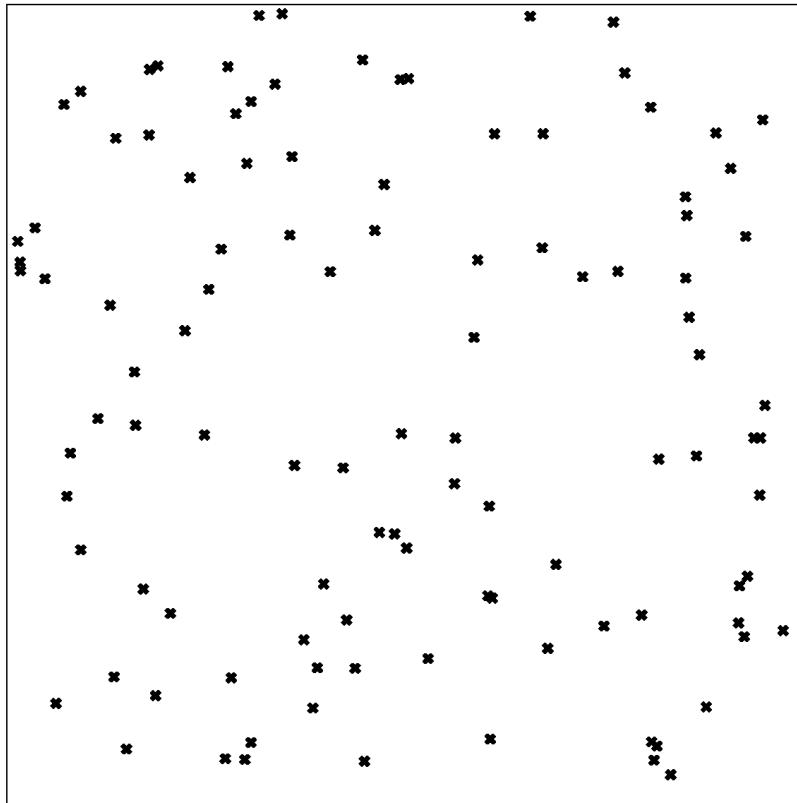
- Un processus ponctuel X sur χ est appelé processus ponctuel de Poisson de mesure d'intensité $v(\cdot)$ si :
 - $N_X(A)$ suit une loi de Poisson d'espérance $v(A)$ pour tout borélien borné A de χ
 - Pour k boréliens disjoints A_1, \dots, A_k , les variables aléatoires $N_X(A_1), \dots, N_X(A_k)$ sont indépendantes.

Intensité

- Processus de Poisson homogène : $v(\cdot)$ proportionnelle à la mesure de Lebesgue $\Lambda(\cdot)$
- Processus non homogène : fonction d'intensité $\lambda(\cdot) > 0$ définie comme la dérivée de Radon Nikodym de $v(\cdot)$ par rapport à la mesure de Lebesgue :

$$v(A) = \int_A \lambda(x) \Lambda(dx) < \infty$$

Simulations du processus de Poisson



Homogène vs non homogène

Processus ponctuels définis par une densité

- On définit X par sa densité de probabilité f (dérivée de Radon Nikodym) par rapport à la loi $\pi_\nu(\cdot)$ du processus de Poisson dit de référence :

$$f : N^f \rightarrow [0, \infty[: \int_{N^f} f(x) d\pi_\nu(x) = 1$$

- On a alors :

$$p_n = \frac{e^{-\nu(x)}}{n!} \int_{\chi} \cdots \int_{\chi} f(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}) d\nu(x_1) \cdots d\nu(x_n)$$

Processus de Strauss

$$f(x) = \alpha \beta^{n(x)} \gamma^{s(x)}$$

$n(x)$: nombre de points de x

$s(x)$: nombre de paires de points en relation (nombre de cliques)

$u \sim v$ si et seulement $d(u,v) < R$

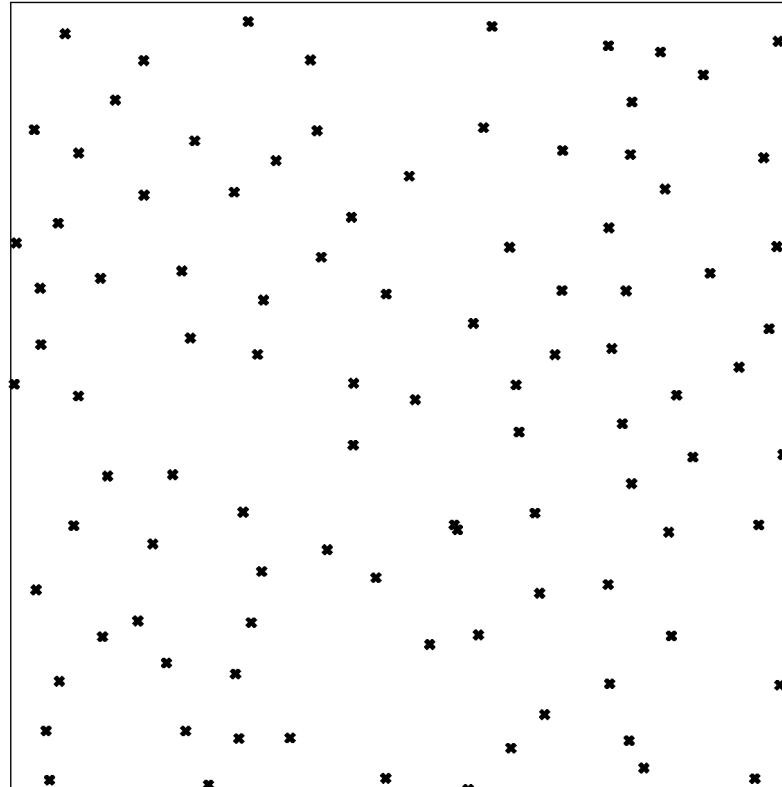
$\gamma = 1$: processus de Poisson d'intensité $\beta \lambda(.)$

$0 < \gamma < 1$: répulsion entre points proches

$\gamma = 0$: interdiction de points proches (hard core process)

$\gamma > 1$: processus attractif ou agrégé si l'on fixe
le nombre de points

Simulations du processus de Strauss



Répulsif

vs

Attractif

The configuration space

« Simple » parametric shapes : $S = \{s = (x, m), x \in K, m \in M\}$



(x, r)



(x, a, b, θ)



(x, L, l, θ)



(x, L, θ)

$$\Omega_n = \{\{s_1, \dots, s_n\}, s_i \in S\}$$

$$\Omega_0 = \emptyset$$

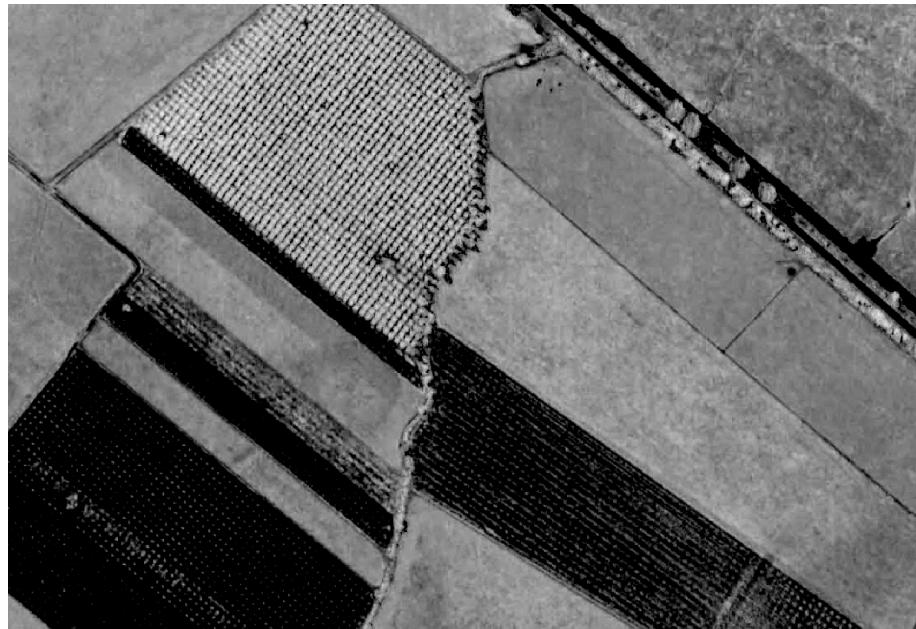
$$\Omega = \bigcup_n \Omega_n$$

The reference measure

Usually the Poisson measure :

$$\pi_\nu(B) = e^{-\nu(\chi)} \left(1_{[\emptyset \in B]} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\pi_{\nu_n}(B)}{n!} \right)$$

$$\pi_{\nu_n}(B) = \int_{\nu} \cdots \int_{\nu} 1_{[\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \in B]} \nu(dx_1) \cdots \nu(dx_n)$$



Intensity measure: uniform or not

NDVI MAP

$$\nu(A) \int_A \lambda(x) dx$$

The density

The model is defined by a density (usually un-normalised)
w.r.t the reference measure:

$$f : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty[, \int_{\Omega} f(x) d\pi_v(x) < \infty$$

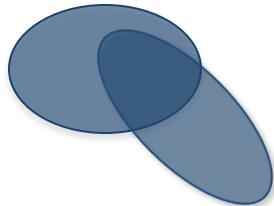
Mimicking the Bayesian approach:

$$f(x) = g(x)h_I(x)$$

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graph TD; f["f(x) = g(x)h_I(x)"] --> Prior["Prior"]; f --> Data["Data (I) term"]
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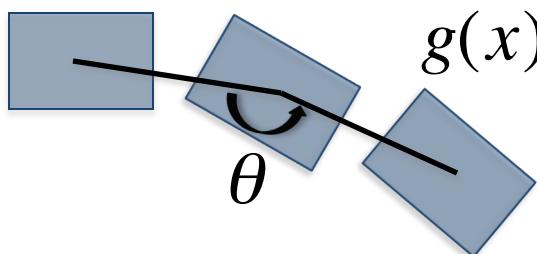
The prior

Overlap penalization (pairwise interaction):



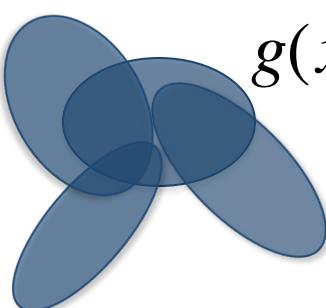
$$g(x) = \prod_{i \sim j} \varphi(x_i, x_j) \quad \varphi(x_i, x_j) = \Phi\left(\frac{|S_i \cap S_j|}{\min(|S_i|, |S_j|)}\right)$$

Alignment :



$$g(x) = \prod_{i \sim j \sim k} \varphi(x_i, x_j, x_k) \quad \varphi(x_i, x_j, x_k) = \Phi\left(\|\pi - \theta_{i,j,k}\|\right)$$

Overlap penalization :



$$g(x) = \prod_i \varphi(x_i, x_j, j \sim i) \quad \varphi(x_i, x_j, j \sim i) = \Phi\left(\max_{j \sim i} \left(\frac{|S_i \cap S_j|}{\min(|S_i|, |S_j|)} \right)\right)$$

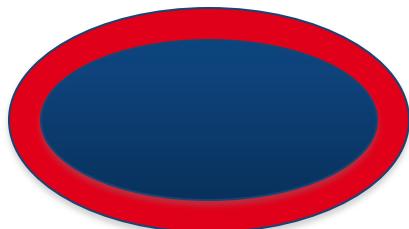
And many more ...

The data term

Bayesian approach: likelihood

$$h_Y(x) = \prod_{i \text{ inside objects}} l_{\text{object}}(y_i) \prod_{i \text{ outside objects}} l_{\text{background}}(y_i)$$

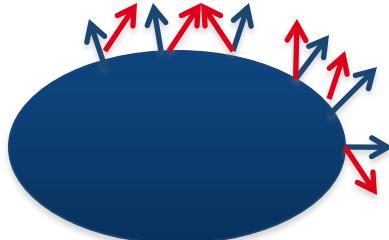
Distance between interior and exterior



$$h_Y(x) = \prod_{\text{objects}} \text{dissimilarity}(\text{red pixels}, \text{blue pixels})$$

Examples : Bhattacharya distance, Statistical test,...

Geometrical consistency



$$h_Y(x) = \prod_{\text{objects}} \exp - U(\omega)^{U(\omega)} = \frac{1}{|\partial\omega|} \int \left\langle \frac{\nabla Y(u)}{\sqrt{\|\nabla Y(u)\|^2 + \varepsilon^2}}, n(u) \right\rangle du$$
$$U_d(\omega, Y) = \psi(U(\omega), t)$$

And many more ...

Optimization : RJMCMC

$$(h(x))^{1/T} d\pi(x)$$

- initialize the temperature T and the configuration x (empty set)
- Choose a proposition kernel $Q_m(x,.)$ with probability $p_m(x)$, or let the configuration unchanged probability $1 - \sum_m p_m(x)$.
- Sample x' according to the chosen kernel
- Compute the acceptance ratio :

$$R_m(x, x') = \frac{D_m(x', x)}{D_m(x, x')} = \frac{(h(x'))^{1/T} \pi(dx') Q_m(x', dx)}{(h(x))^{1/T} \pi(dx) Q_m(x, dx')}$$

- With probability $\alpha = \min(1, R_m)$ set $x_{t+1} = x'$, else reject the proposition : $x_{t+1} = x$.

Some perturbation kernels (proposal)

Adding an object

Removing an object

Modifying an object (translation, rotation,
dilation)

Merging/Splitting objects

Optimization : RJMCMC

Pros :

- Generality
- Choice for kernels
- Convergence to the global optimum

Cons :

- Rejection
- Simulated annealing scheme (parameters setting)
- Kernels usually involve one or two objects

Optimization :Multiple births and deaths

Goals :

Avoid rejection

Consider several objects at once

Idea :

Extend Langevin' s dynamics (Stochastic Differential
Equation : diffusion process)

Optimization :Multiple births and deaths

Consider : $f(x) = \exp - \beta E(x)$

A birth intensity consisting in adding an object u to the configuration x :

$$b(x, u) du = z du \text{ if } u \in D(x), \text{ where } D(x) = \left(\bigcup_{v \in x} B_v(\varepsilon) \right) \cap K$$

A death intensity consisting in removing an object u from the configuration x :

$$d(x, u) = \exp \beta [E(x) - E(x/u)] \text{ if } u \in x,$$



Detailed balance condition holds

Optimization :Multiple births and deaths

A New Approximation Process

Markov Chain : $T_{\beta, \delta}(m)$, $m = \left[\frac{t}{\delta} \right] = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ (discretization of time)

$$x_{n+1} = x_1 \cup x_2, \quad x_1 \subseteq x_n, \quad x_1 \cap x_2 = \emptyset$$

x_2 : Poisson law (with intensity z) distributed

Birth transition :

$$q_{u,\delta} = \begin{cases} z\delta\Delta u, & \text{if } x \rightarrow x \cup \{u\} \\ 1 - z\delta\Delta u, & \text{if } x \rightarrow x \text{ (no birth in } \Delta y) \end{cases}$$

Death transition :

$$p_{u,\delta} = \begin{cases} \frac{\delta \exp[E(x) - E(x/u)]}{1 + \delta \exp[E(x) - E(x/u)]}, & \text{if } x \rightarrow x/u \\ \frac{1}{1 + \delta \exp[E(x) - E(x/u)]}, & \text{if } x \rightarrow x \text{ (x survives)} \end{cases}$$

Optimization :Multiple births and deaths

A New Algorithm

1) Precomputing of the data term / birth map

2) Repeat :

2.1) Birth:

For each pixel, add an object with probability :

$$\delta B(E_d(u))$$

2.2) Sort the objects with respect to their data term value

2.3) Death:

For each object u taken in the list order, remove it with probability :

$$\frac{\delta \exp[\beta(E(x) - E(x/u))]}{1 + \delta \exp[\beta(E(x) - E(x/u))]}$$

Optimization :Multiple births and deaths

Theorem: When $N \rightarrow \infty, \beta \rightarrow \infty, \delta \rightarrow 0$, convergence toward the configuration minimizing the energy

Pros :

- No rejection in the birth step
- Birth does not depends on the temperature
- Convergence to the global optimum

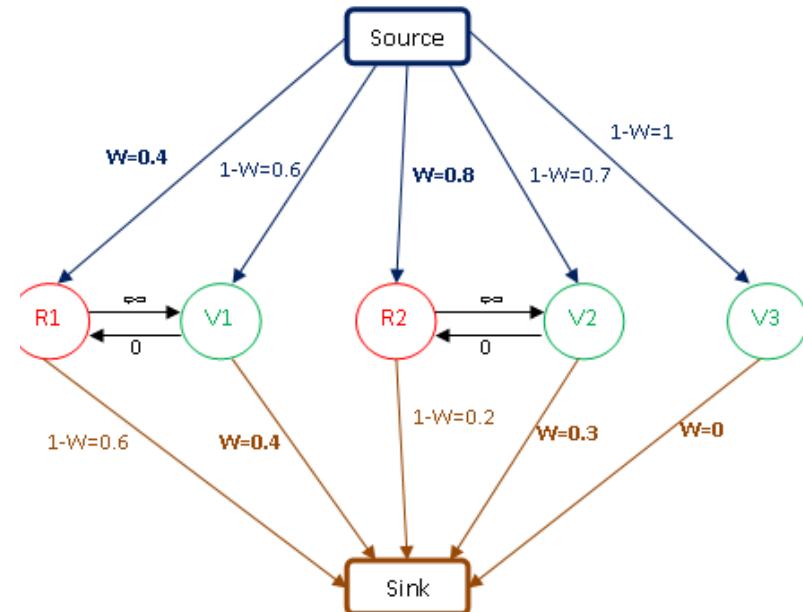
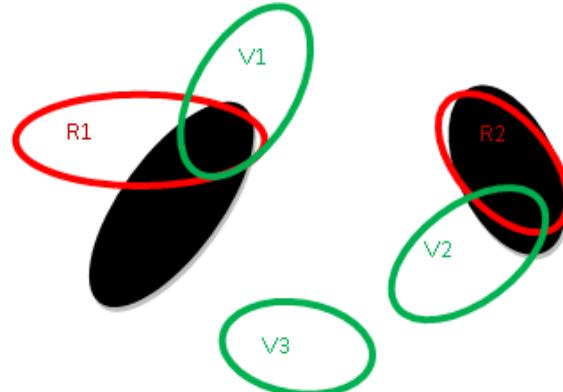
Cons :

- Only births and deaths kernels

Optimization :Multiple births and cut

Idea : Combine multiples births and deaths with graphcut techniques

- Generate a first configuration x_0 of non overlapping objects and iterate the following steps:
- Birth:
 - generate a new configuration of non overlapping objects x'
- Death:
 - x_{n+1} is defined by $\text{Cut}(x_n \cup x')$



Optimization :Multiple births and cut

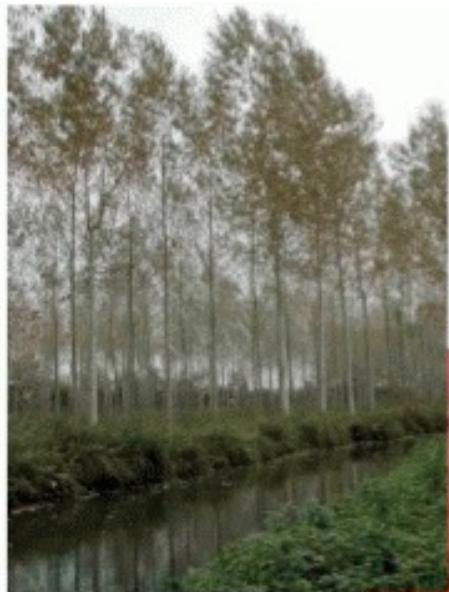
Pros :

- No rejection in the birth step
- No cooling schedule

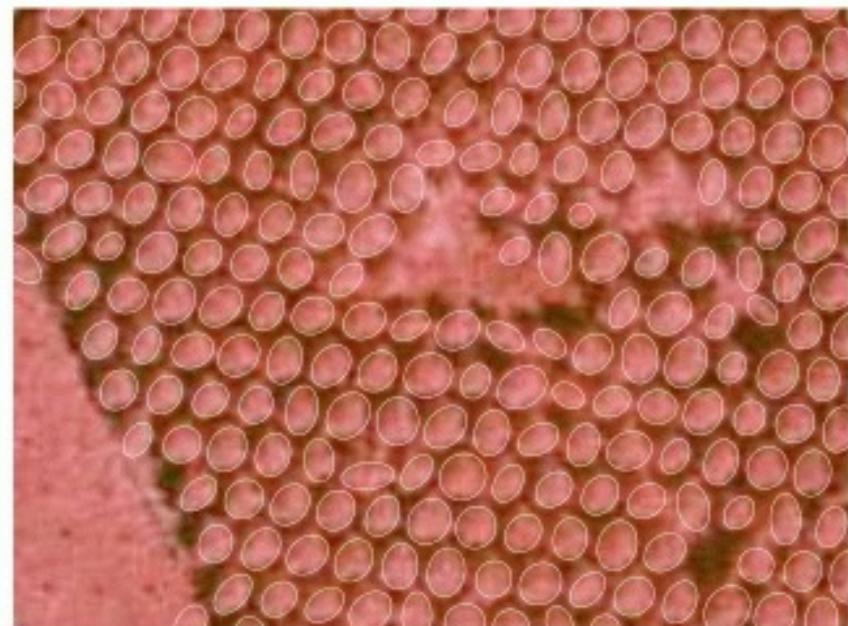
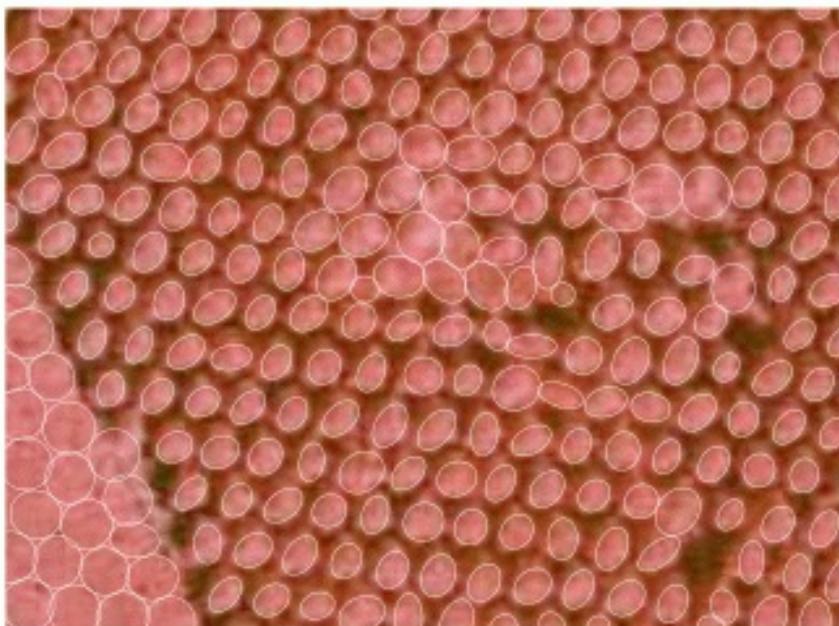
Cons :

- Only births and deaths
- No proof of convergence

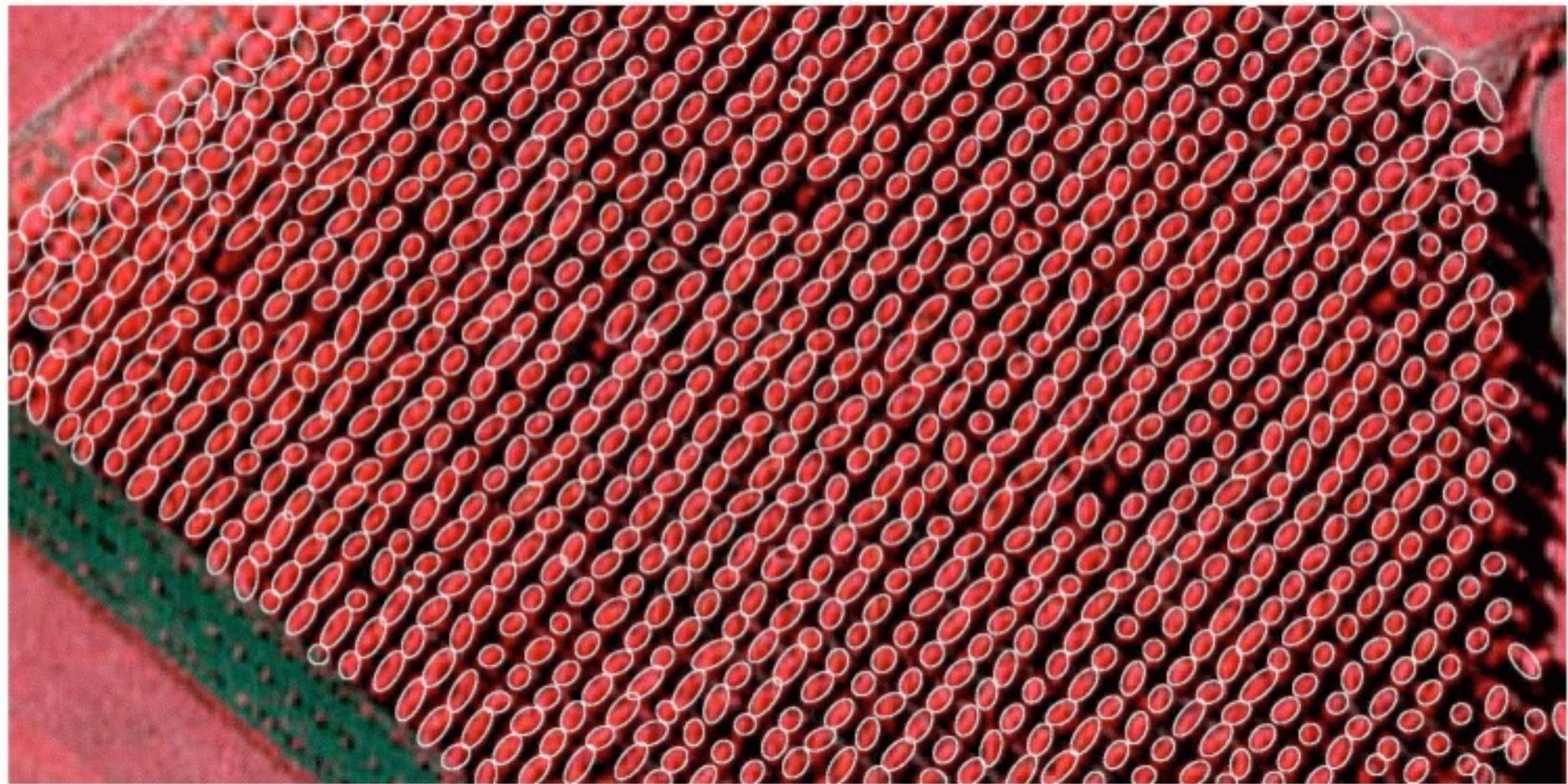
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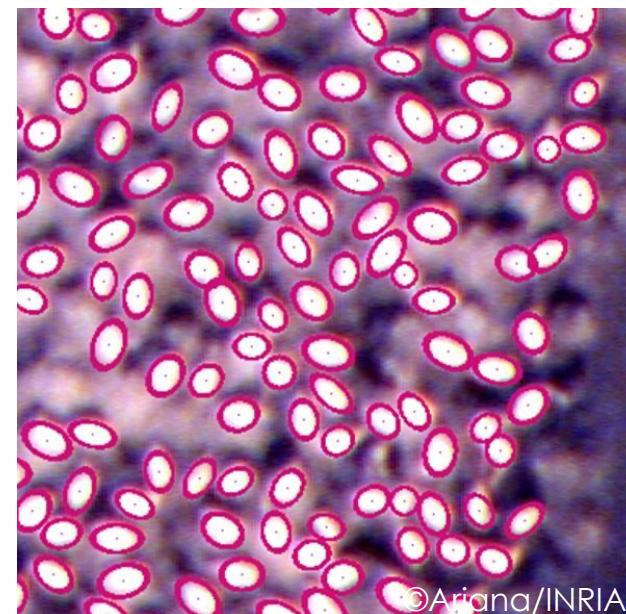
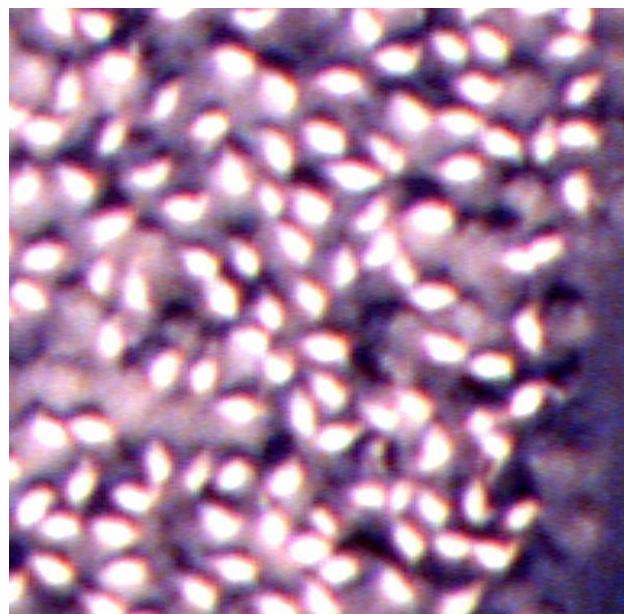


Result : Flamingos counting



Estimation of the size of a colony in Turkey (2004):

♣ 3682 detected flamingos (Tour du Valat: 3684 flamingos)



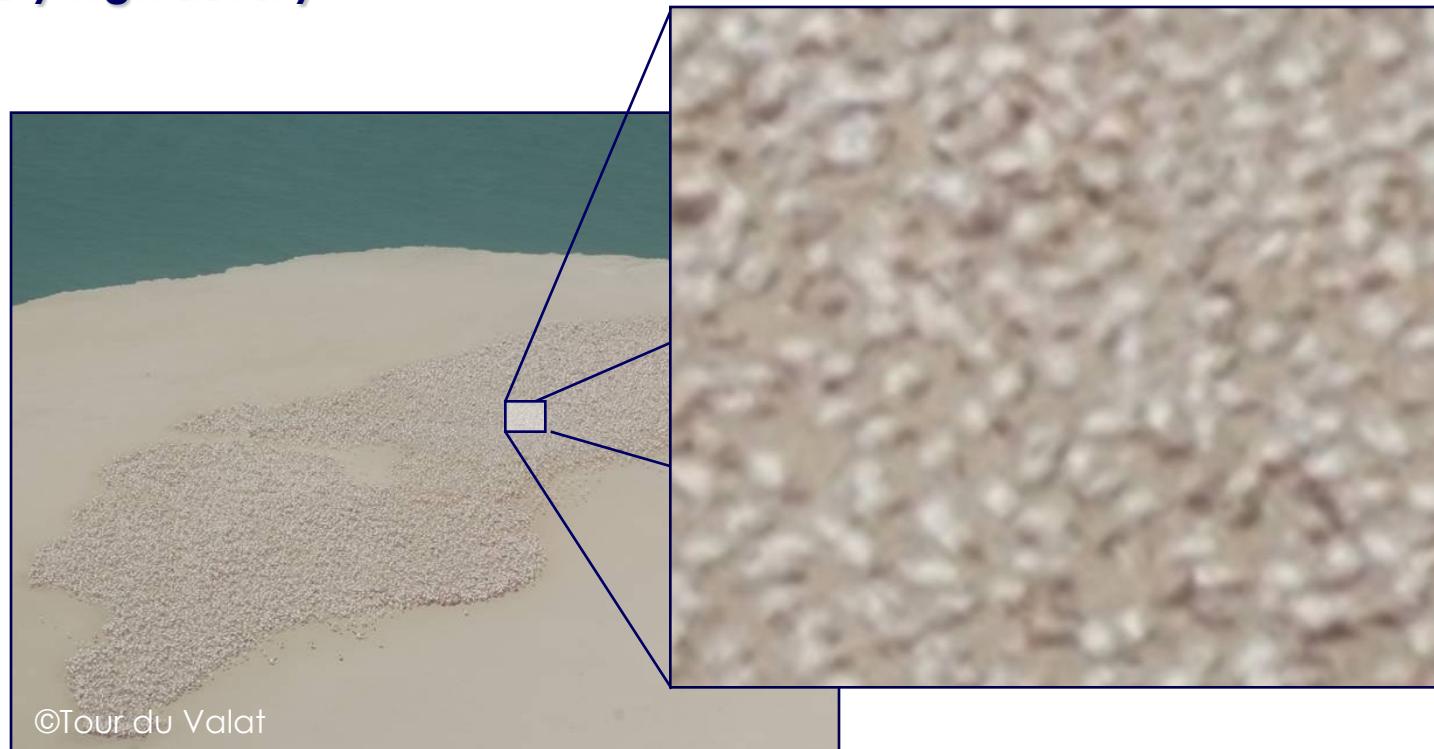
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Result : Flamingos counting



Estimation of the size of a colony in Mauritania:

♣ Very high density



Result : Flamingos counting

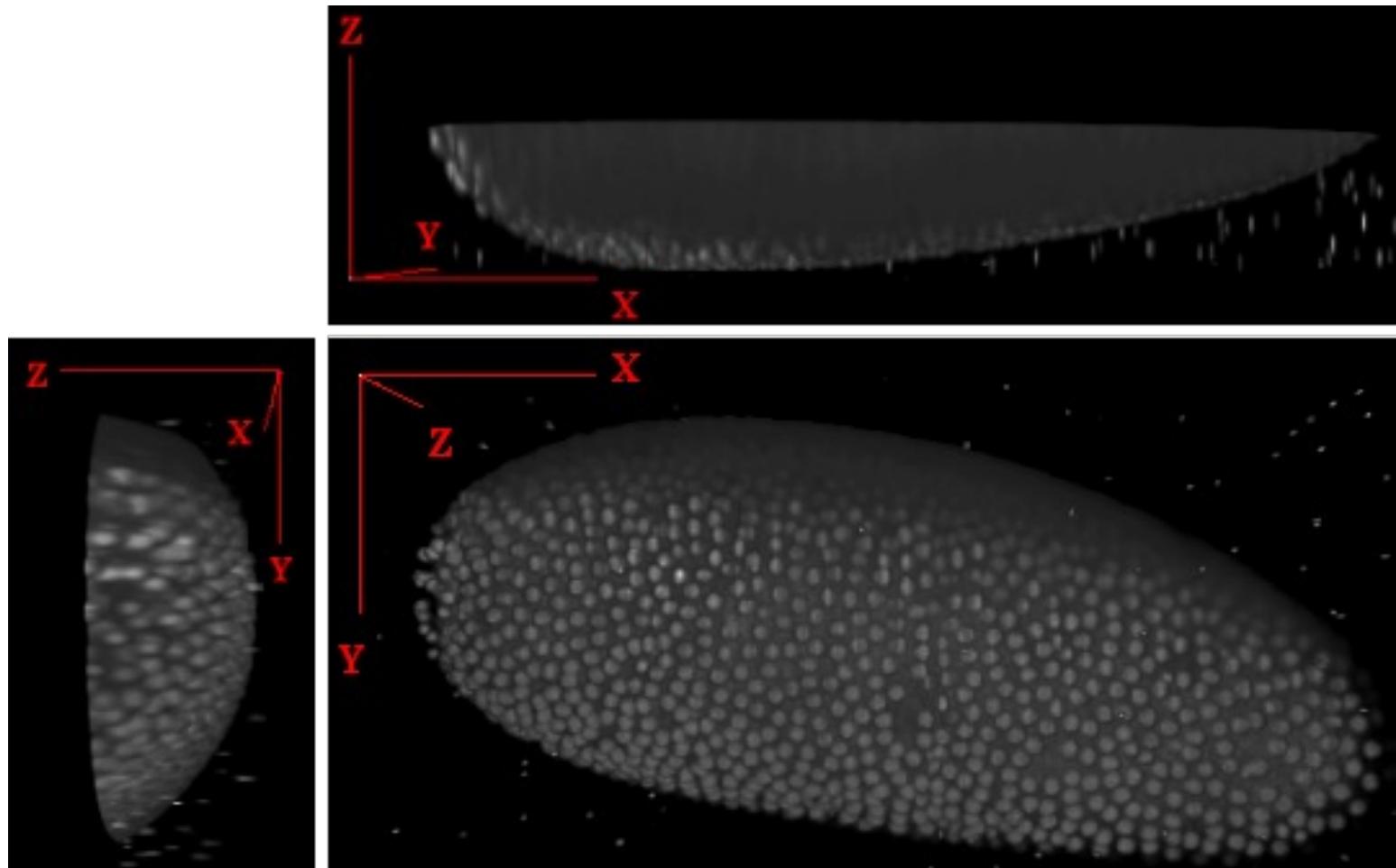


Estimation of the size of a colony in Mauritania:

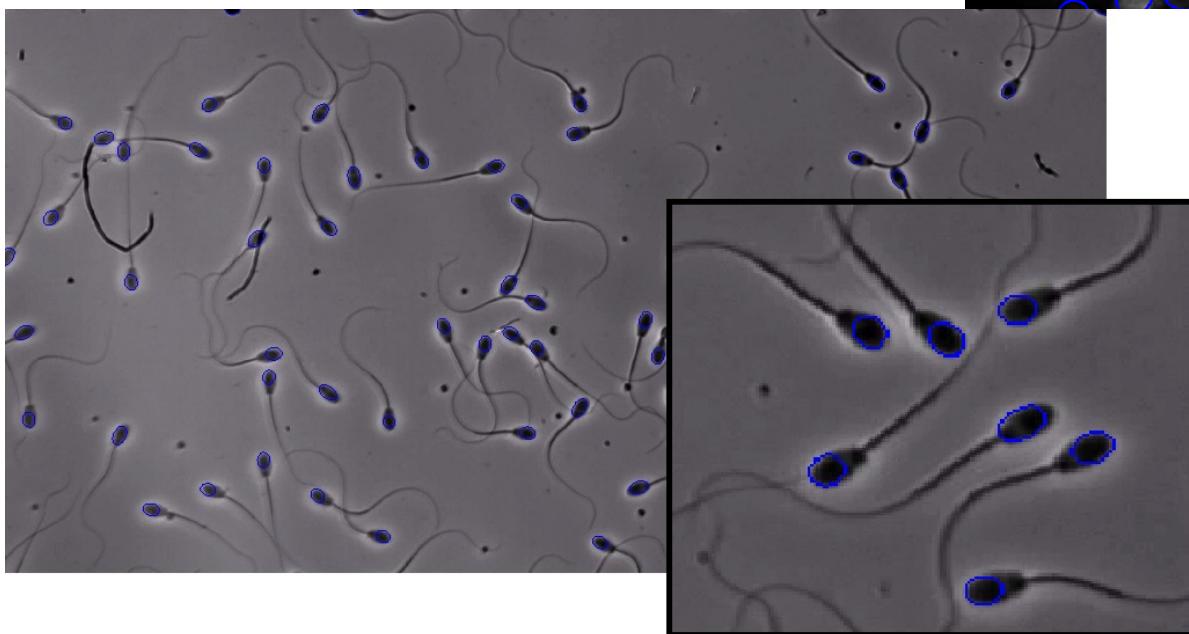
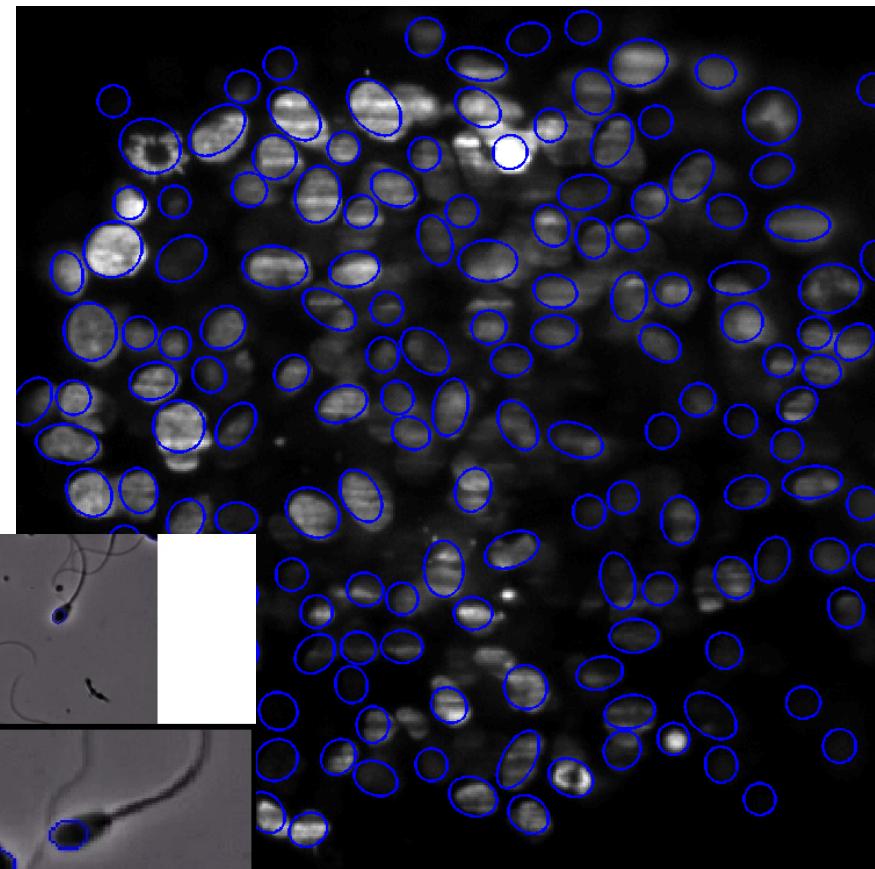
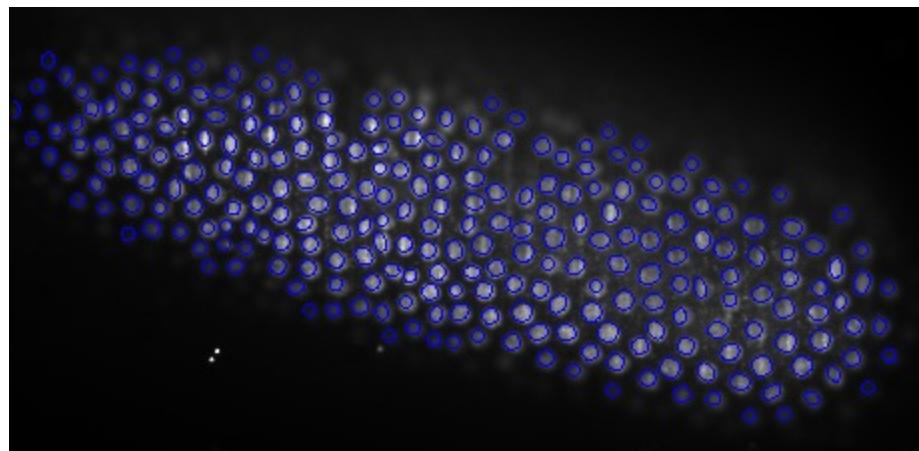
♣ 14595 detected flamingos (Tour du Valat: 13650 flamingos)



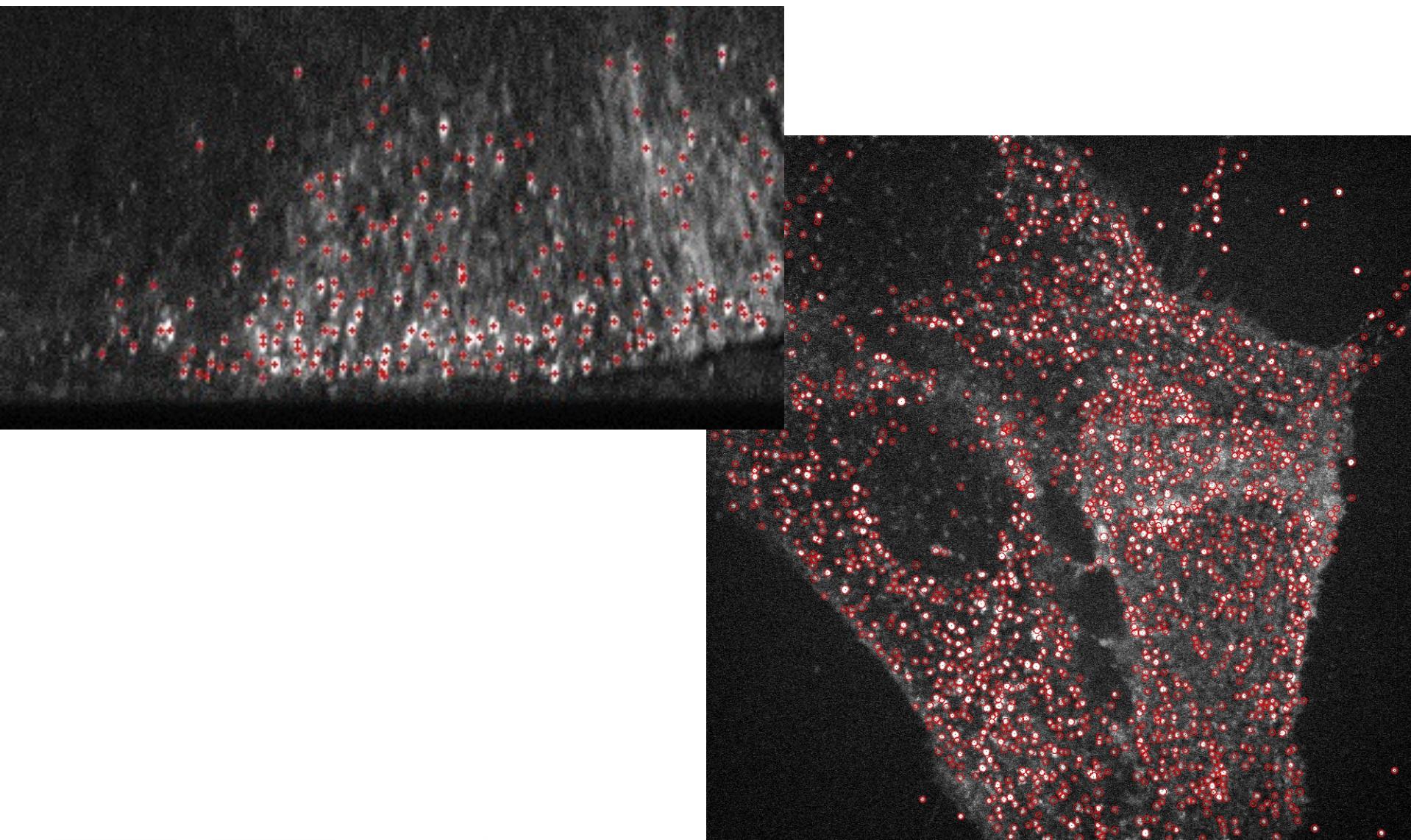
Result : Cells counting



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Result : Vesicle (co)localization



Conclusion

Pros :

General framework / Numerous application
Embed strong geometric constraint

Future work :

parallelism
parameter estimation
open source software