

Modeling the horizontal distribution of tree crown biomass (HBD) from terrestrial laser scanning data

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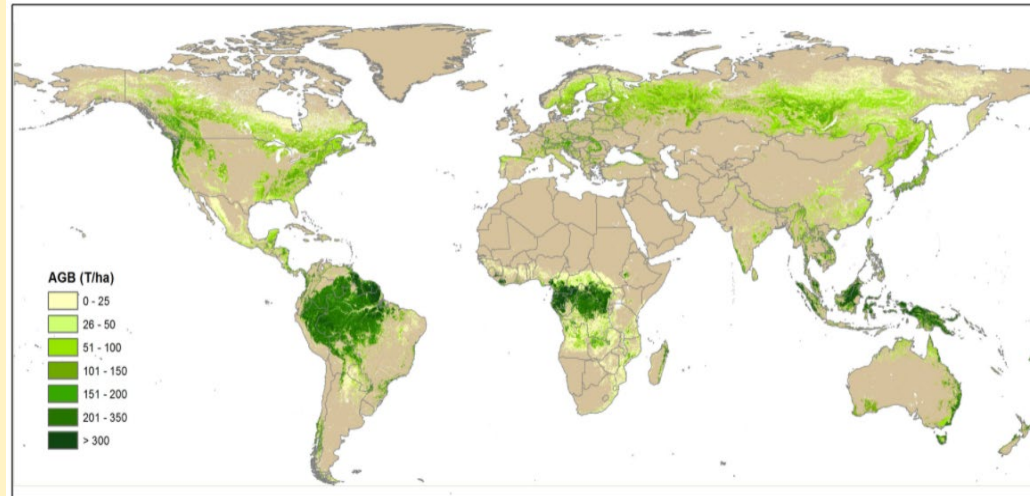
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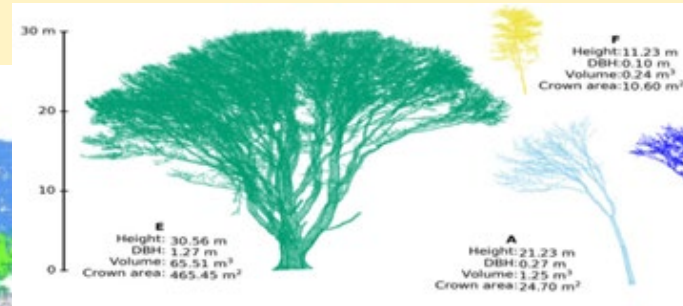
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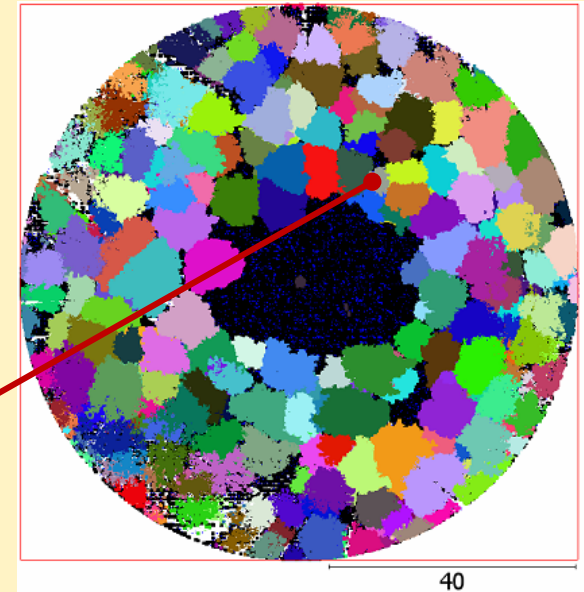
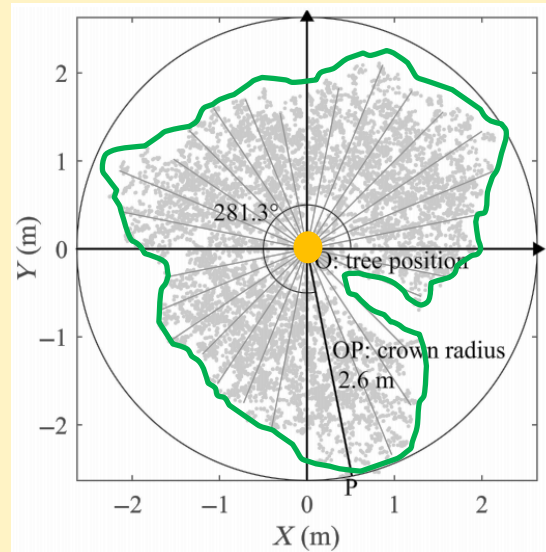
- ▶ The growing laser technologies and mature algorithms for characterizing 3D of individual trees, and biomass proxies



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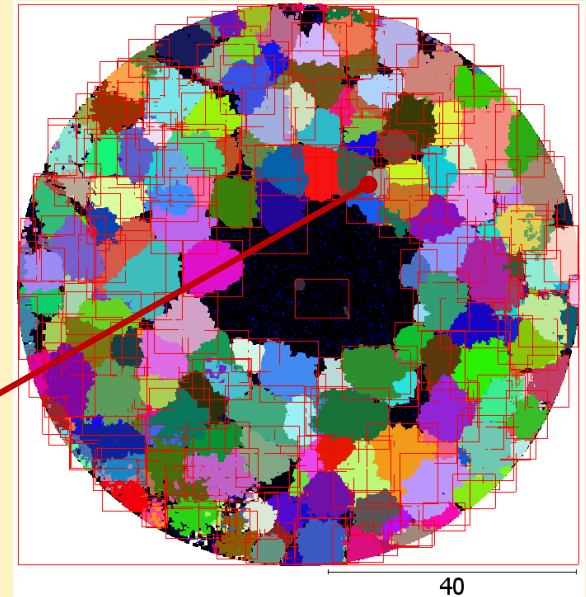
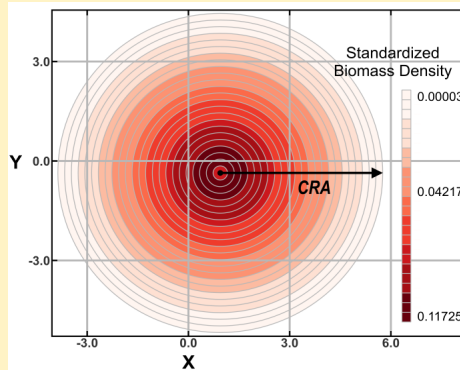
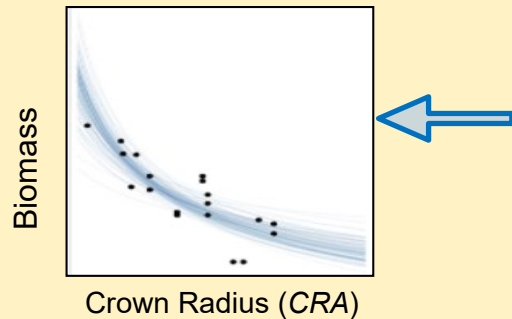
- ▶ The predicted total tree biomass is assigned exclusively to the stem geolocation.
- ▶ Need of more complete biomass estimation while forest inventory approach is still incomplete!



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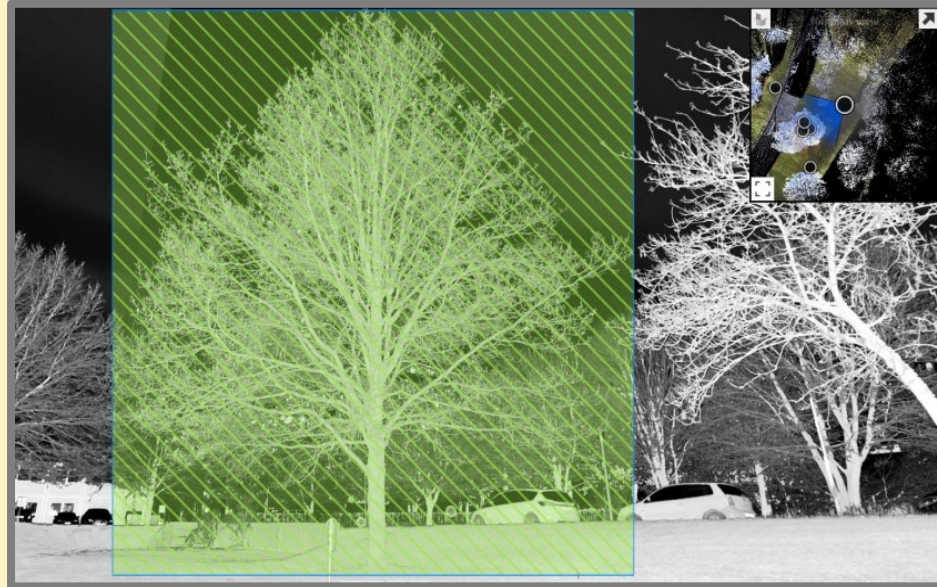
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- ▶ However, biomass is spatially distributed across the crown projection area: **Continuous distribution of crown biomass horizontally along the crown radius; HBD.**



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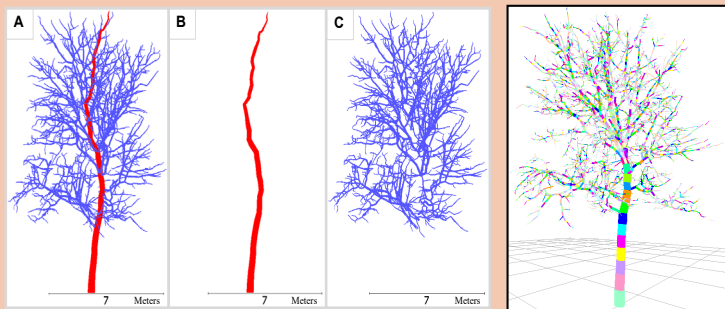
- ▶ Develop a methodology for describing the horizontal distribution of tree crown biomass from terrestrial laser scanning data (Trimble TX5 Scanner)



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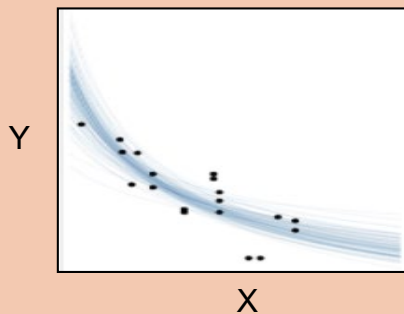
Crown biomass extraction



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Empirical Models

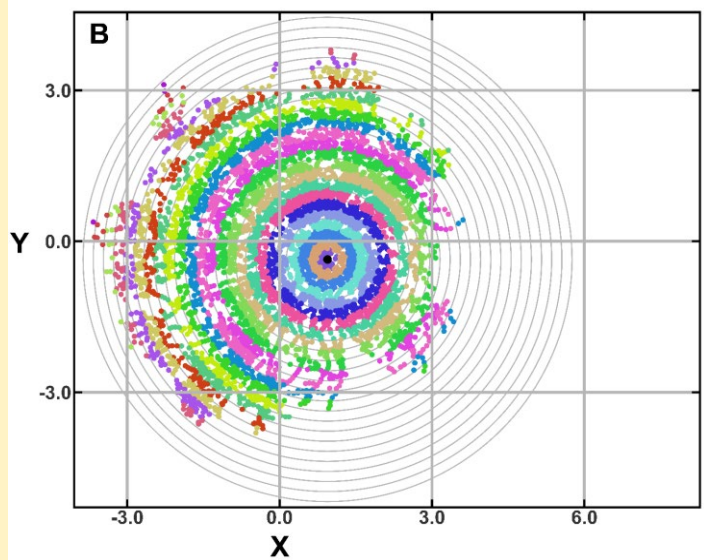
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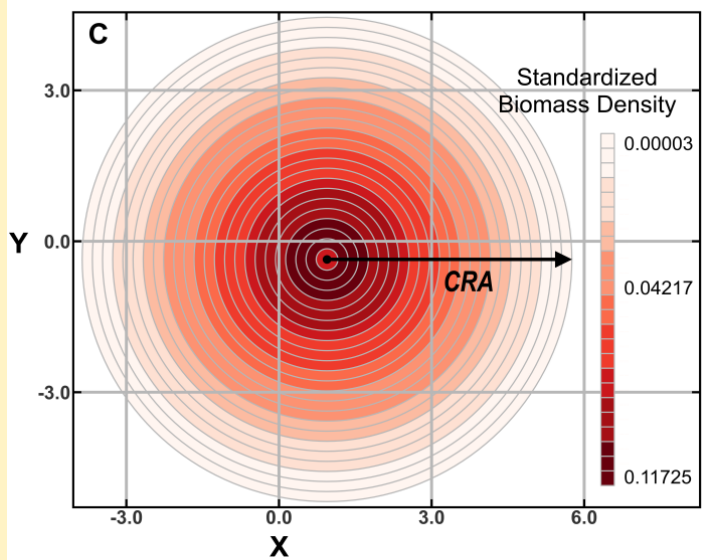
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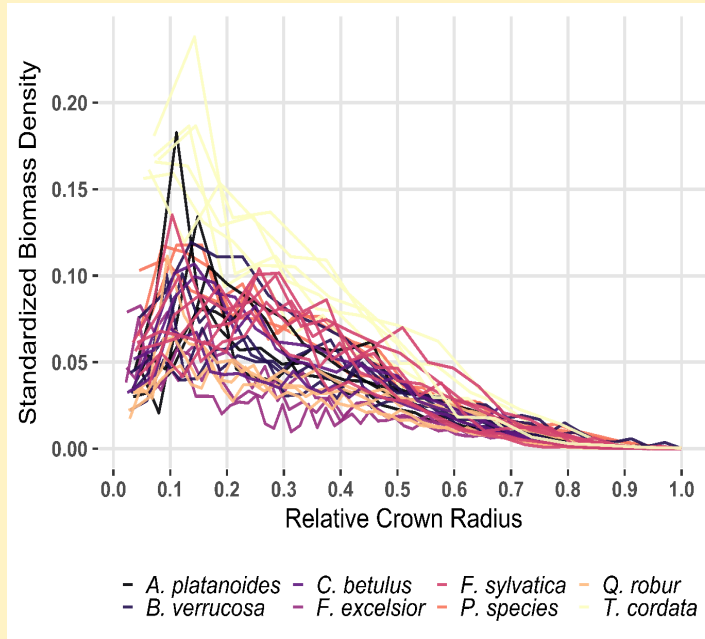
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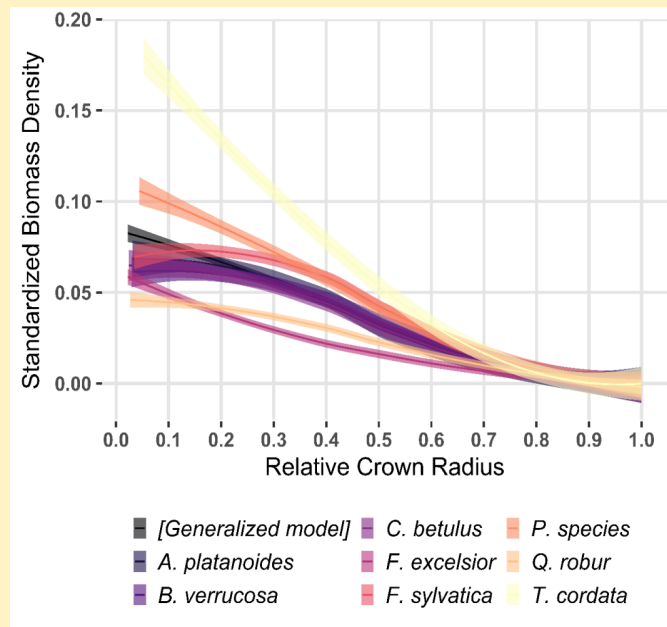


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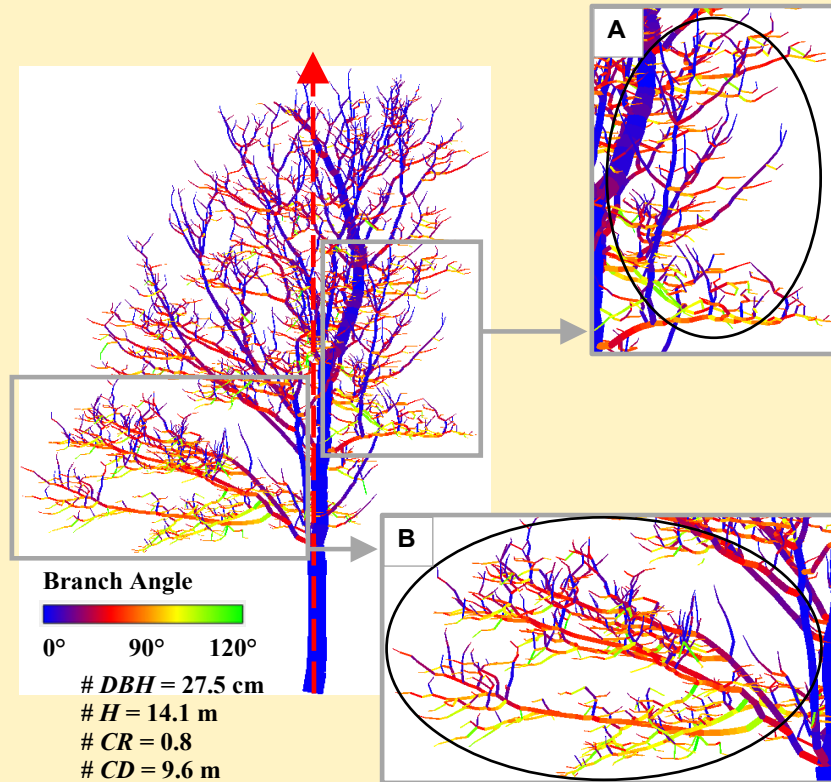
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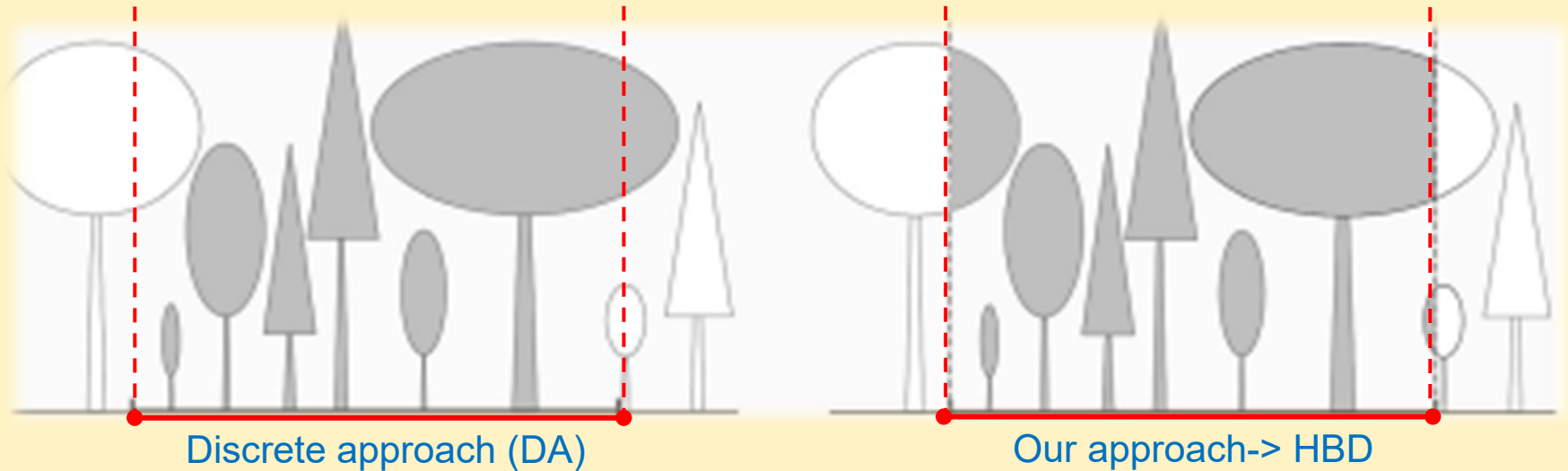
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- ▶ Field or direct measurements is not convenient for describing HBD!
- ▶ Laser points could probably be the best alternative way for HBD descriptions!

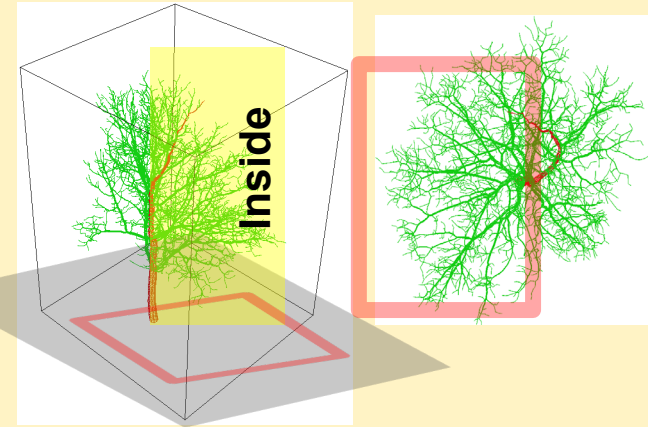
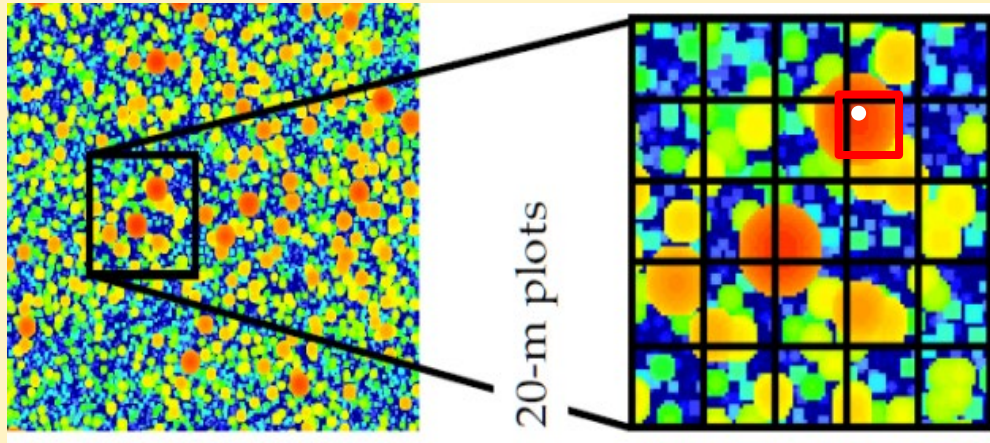
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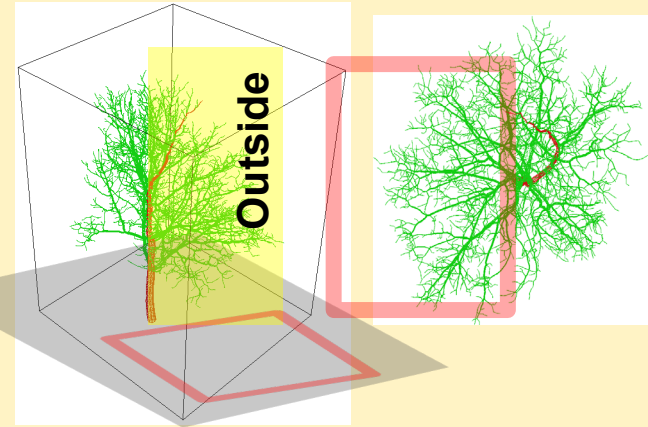
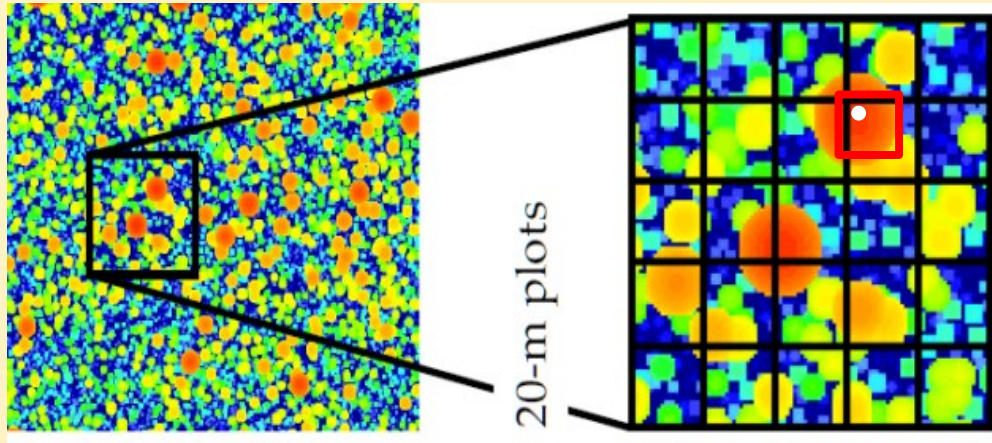
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- ▶ How to match field inventory biomass with remotely sensed information?



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Tack så mycket!



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Table 1. Sample trees

Tree Species	Family	n
<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Sapindaceae	4
<i>Betula verrucosa</i>	Betulaceae	4
<i>Carpinus betulus</i>	Betulaceae	3
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Fagaceae	6
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	Oleaceae	3
<i>Platanus species</i>	Platanaceae	3
<i>Quercus robur</i>	Fagaceae	4
<i>Tilia cordata</i>	Malvaceae	6