

Hands-on Exercise on Estimation of Damaged Buildings post earthquake by ALOS 2 Coherence Image

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Step-1 copy the data to your local drive

Name	Date modified	Type
L11_ALOS2450590770-220926	10/30/2024 2:21 PM	File folder
L11_ALOS2518900770-240101	10/30/2024 2:20 PM	File folder
subset_data	10/30/2024 9:50 AM	File folder

Pre Earthquake image: L11_ALOS2450590770-220926

Post Earthquake image: L11_ALOS2518900770-240101

[Original data : ALOS-2 / PALSAR-2 Observation Products | ALOS@EORC Home Page](#)

Step-2 Create these 6 folders

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L11_ALOS2450590770-220926	10/30/2024 2:21 PM	File folder
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subset_data	10/30/2024 9:50 AM	File folder
geotiff	10/30/2024 2:19 PM	File folder
calibration	10/30/2024 9:54 AM	File folder
coherence	10/30/2024 10:04 AM	File folder
coregistration	10/30/2024 9:58 AM	File folder
session	10/30/2024 10:27 AM	File folder
terrain_correction	10/30/2024 10:06 AM	File folder



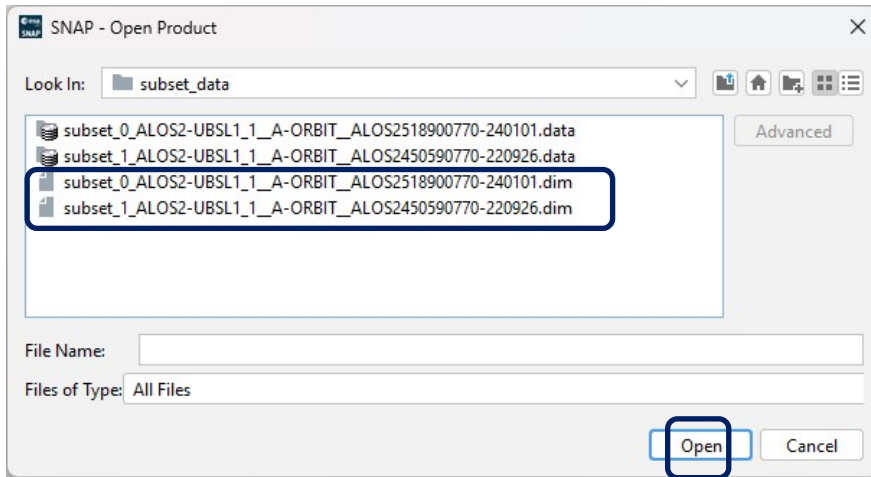
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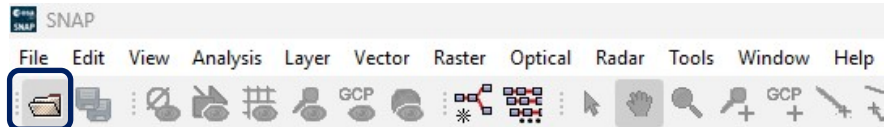
Step-3 start SNAP



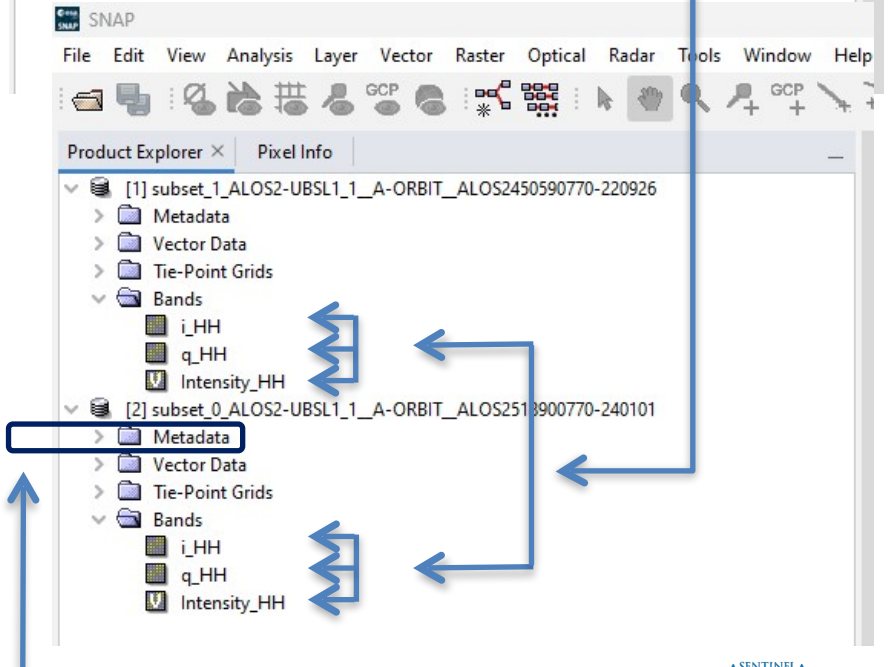
Step-5 Go to your folder of images , select them and click open



Step-4 Open the images

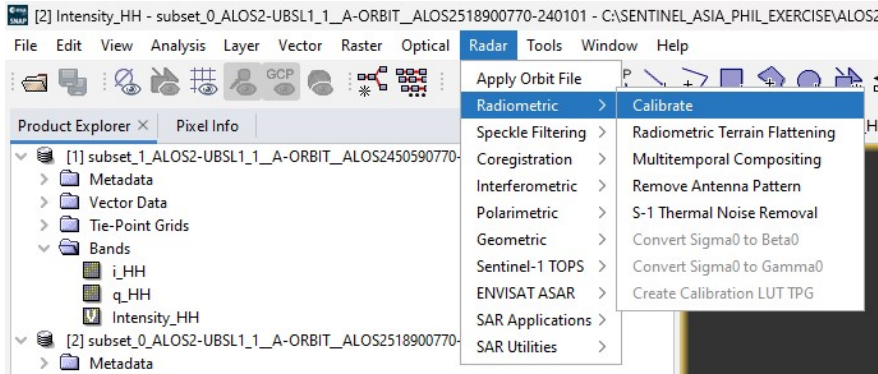


Step-6 go to Bands and double click on the bands to display them

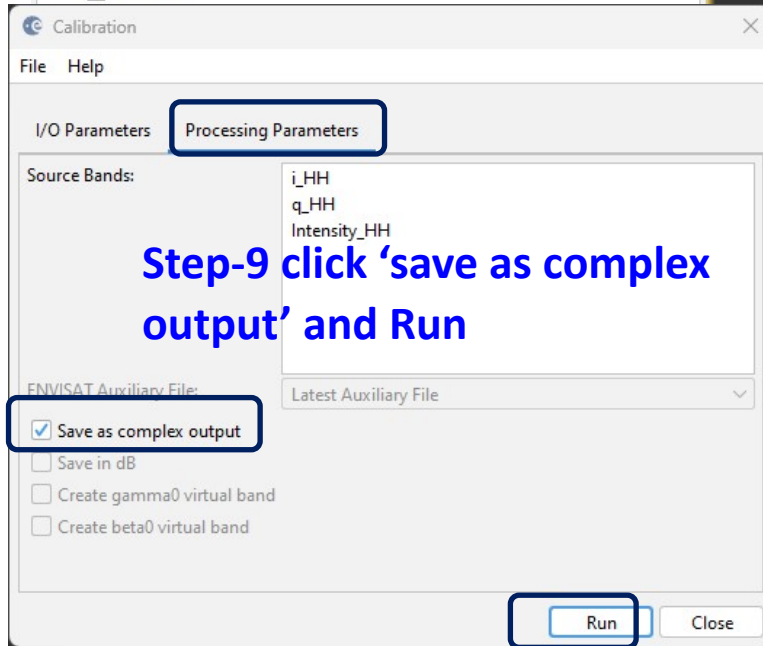
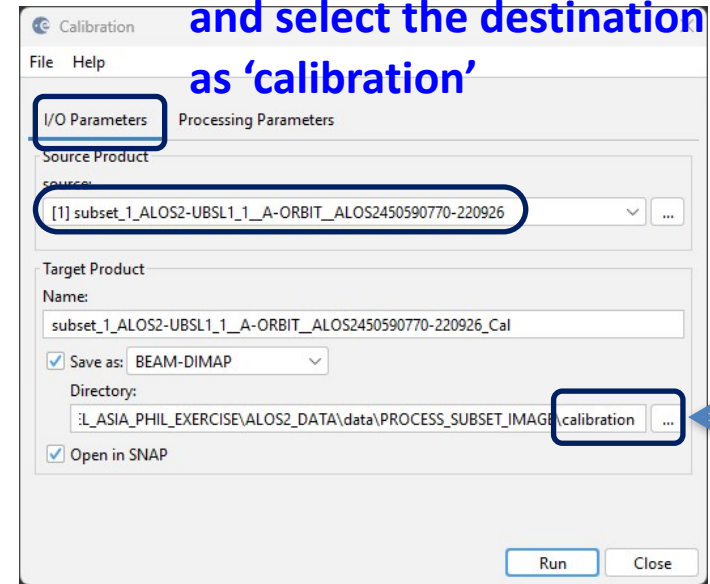


Check the metdata of the images

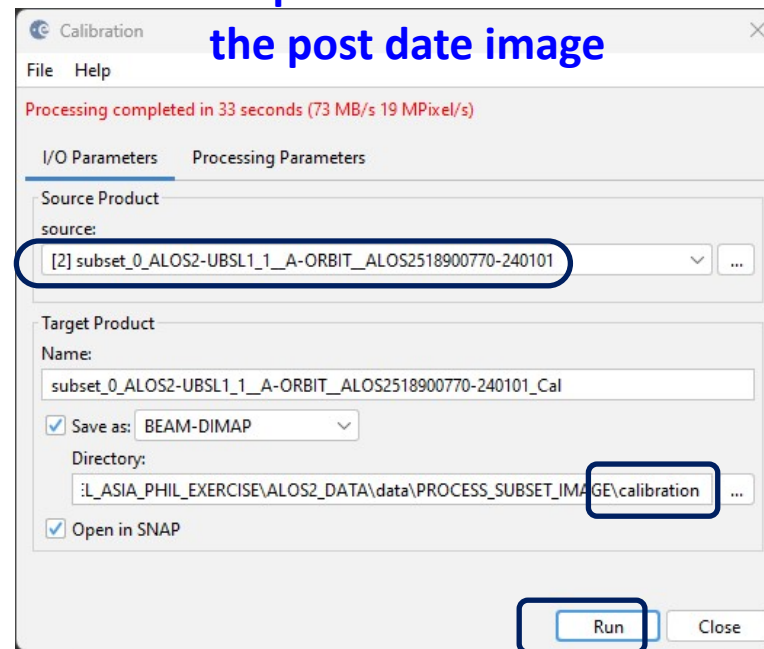
Step-7 Radar>Radiometric>Calibrate



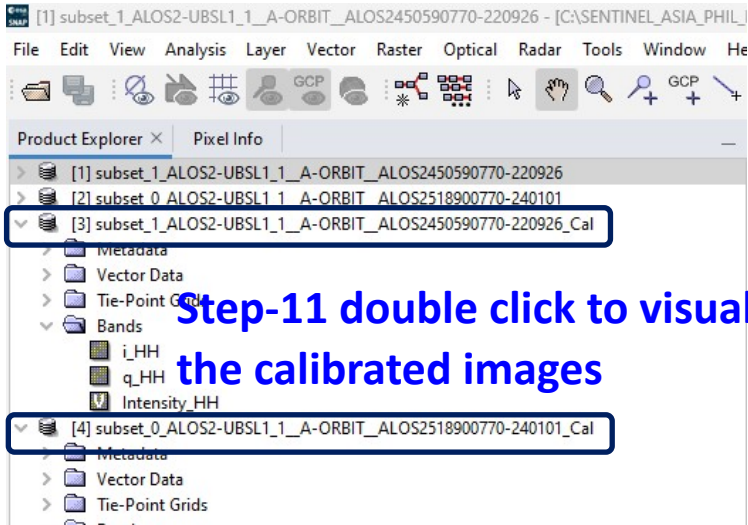
Step-8 select the pre image and select the destination folder as 'calibration'



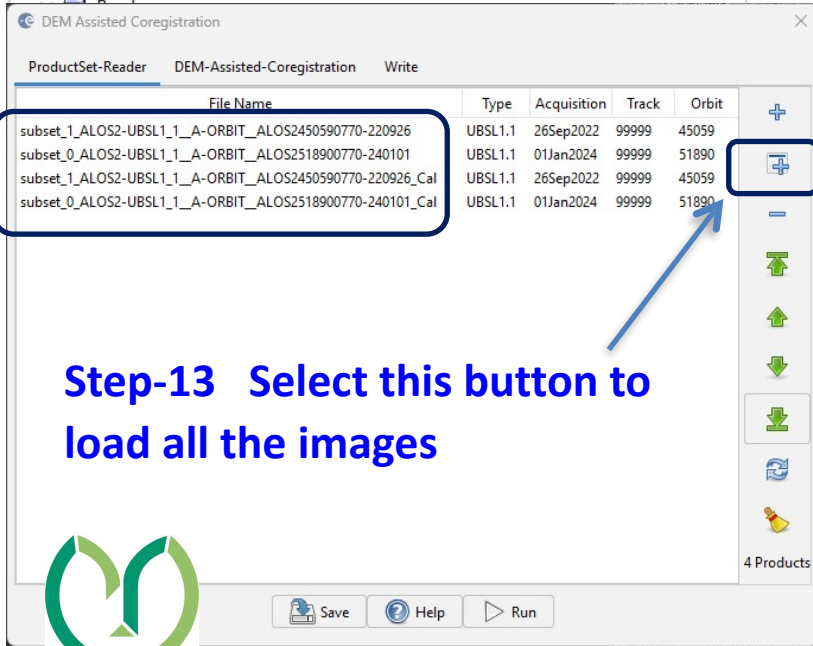
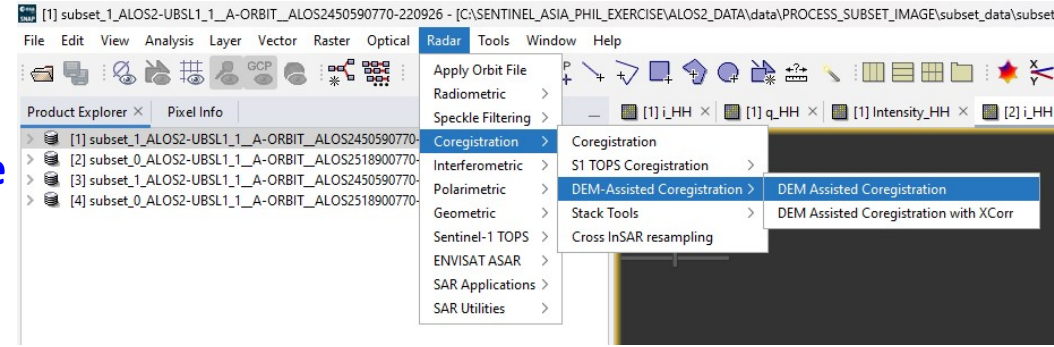
Step-10 Perform the same on the post date image



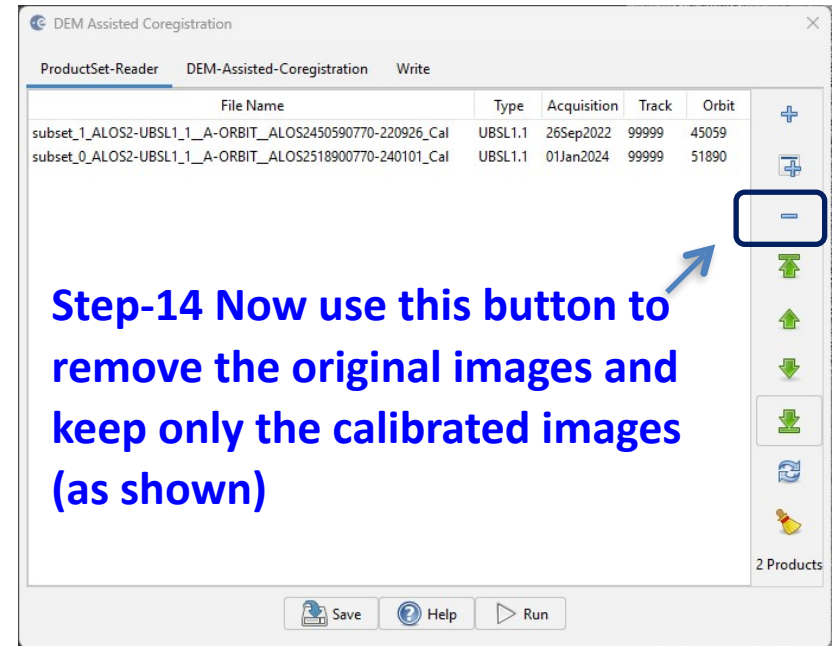
Step-12 Radar > Coregistration > DEM assisted Coregistration



Step-11 double click to visualize the calibrated images



Step-13 Select this button to load all the images



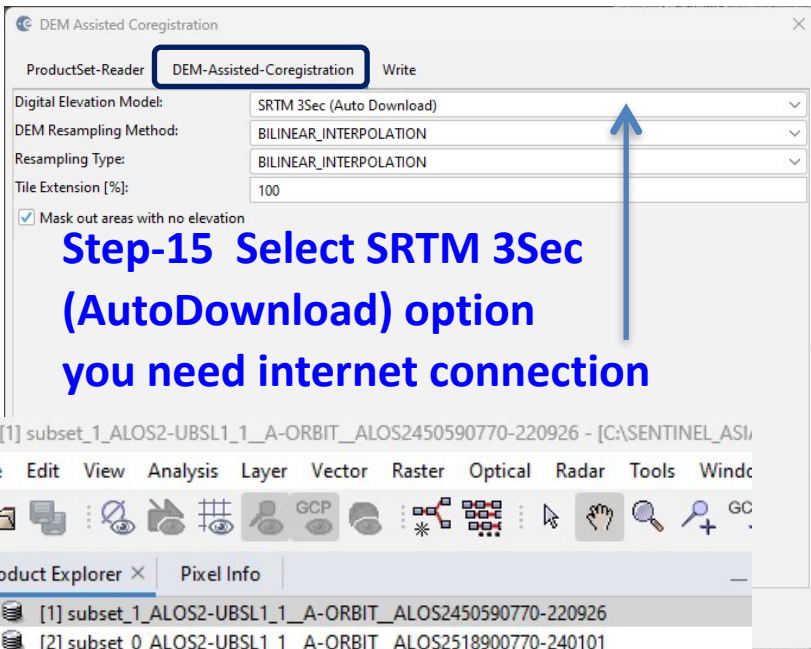
Step-14 Now use this button to remove the original images and keep only the calibrated images (as shown)



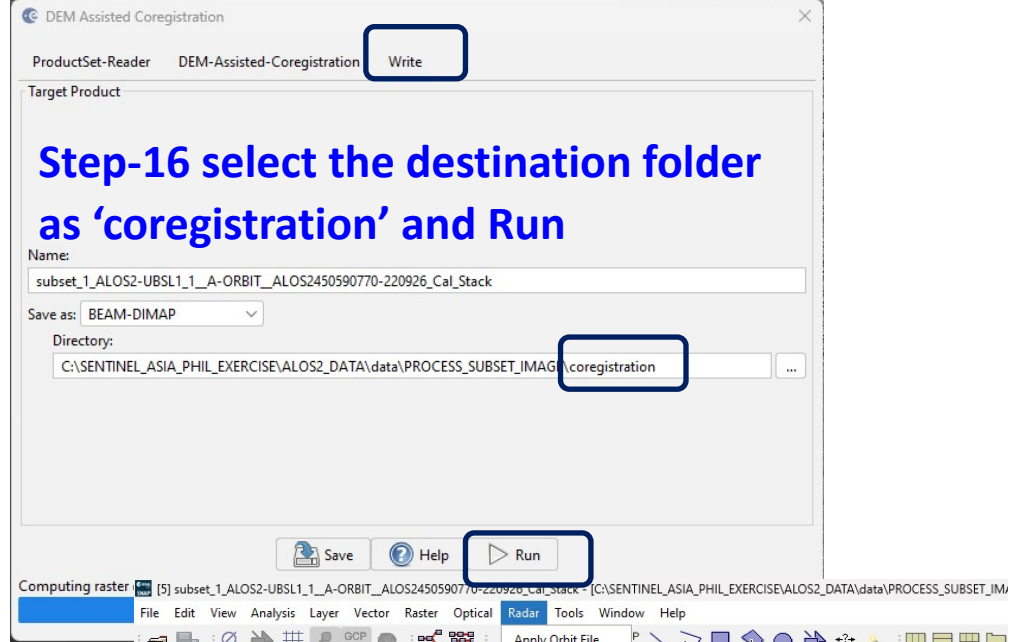
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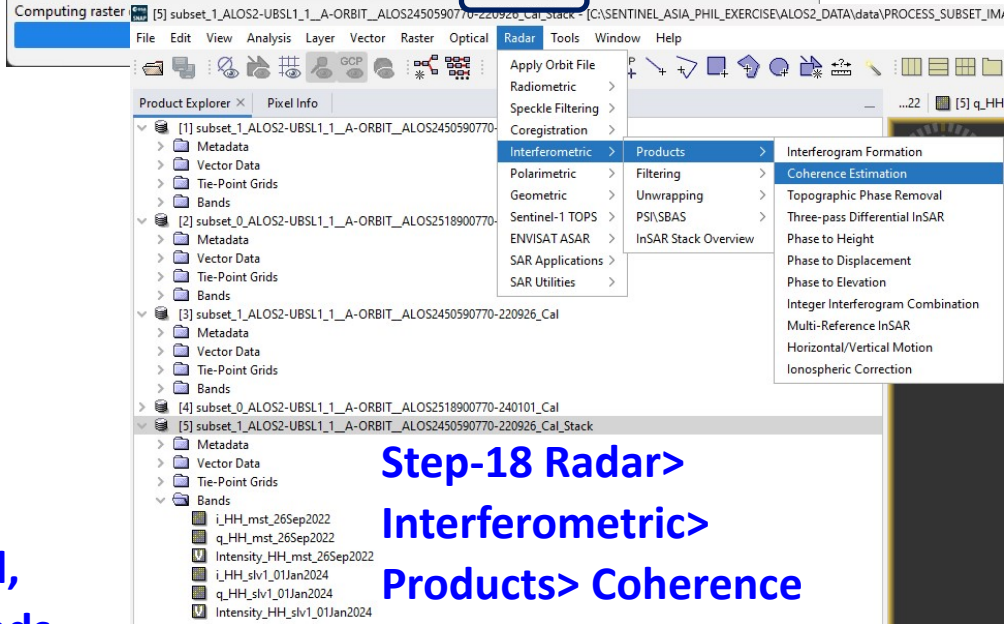


Step-15 Select SRTM 3Sec (AutoDownload) option you need internet connection



Step-16 select the destination folder as 'coregistration' and Run

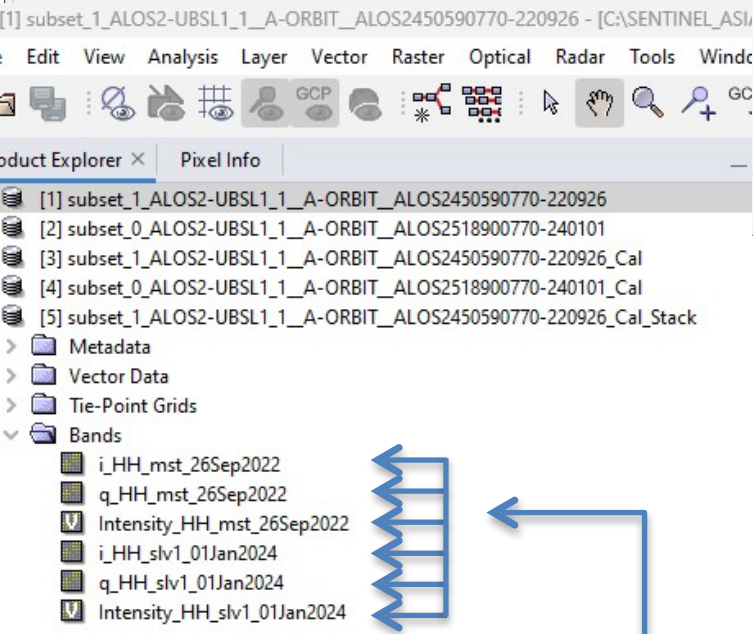
Run



Step-18 Radar> Interferometric> Products> Coherence Estimation



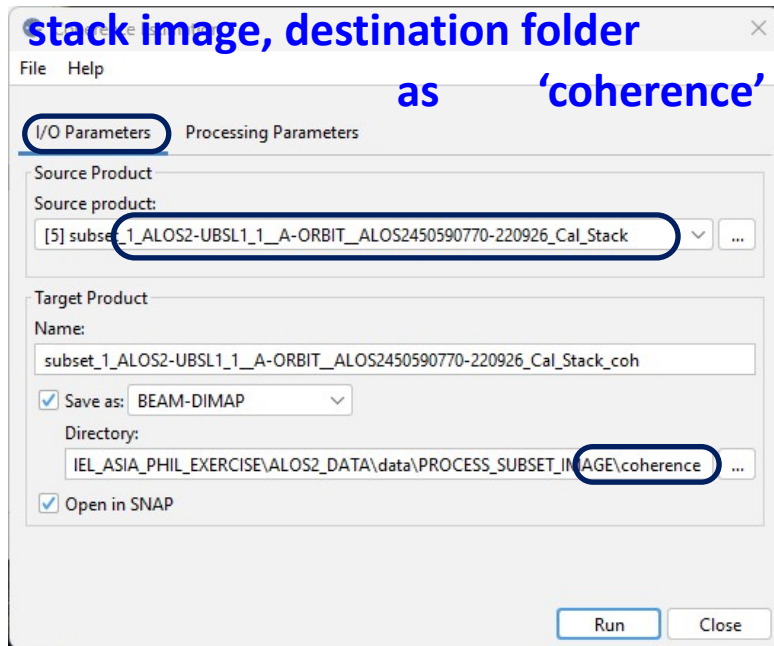
Step-17 Once processed, you will see these 6 bands 'double click to visualize'



Step-19 Select the calibrated

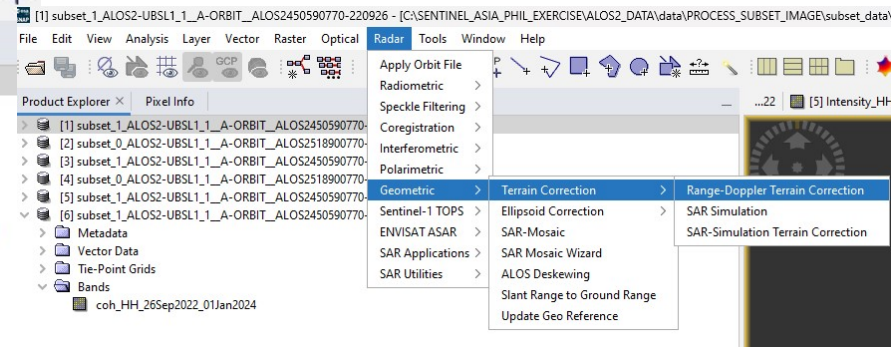
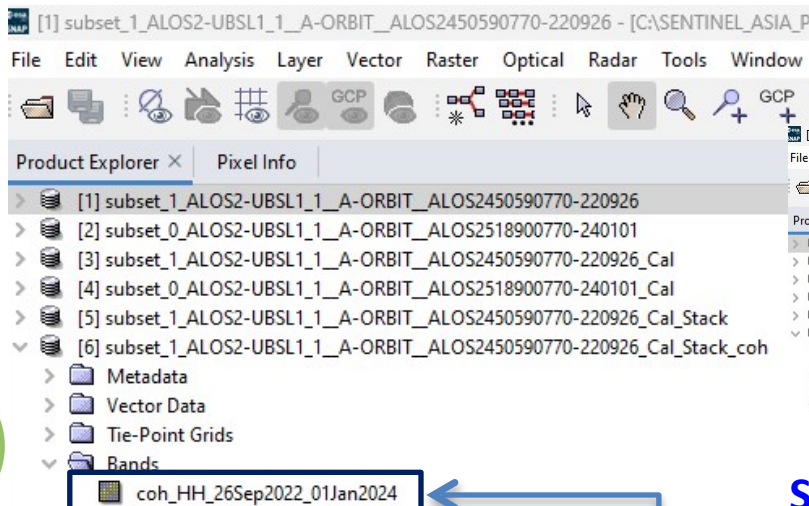
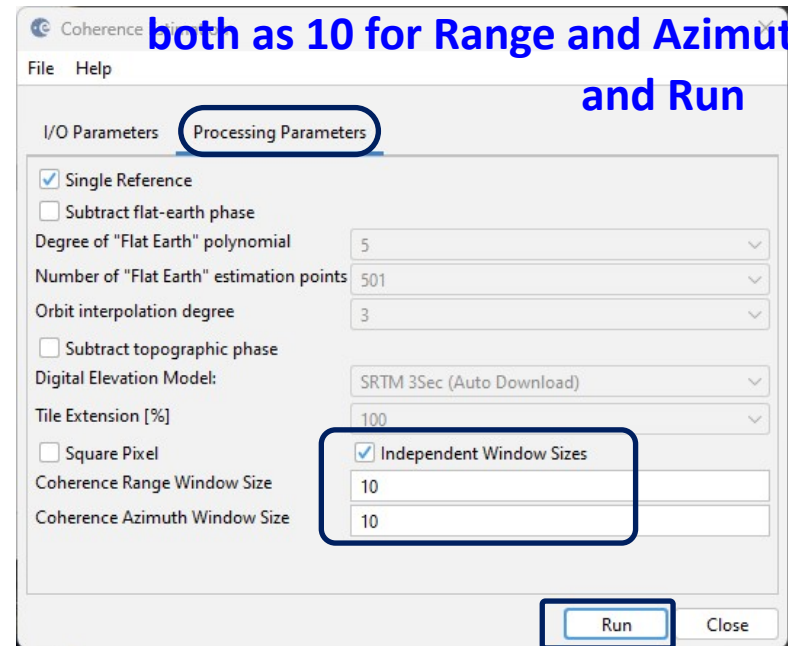
stack image, destination folder

as 'coherence'



Step-20 Select 'independent window sizes'

both as 10 for Range and Azimuth and Run



Step-21 after process coherence band will be created, double click to visualize

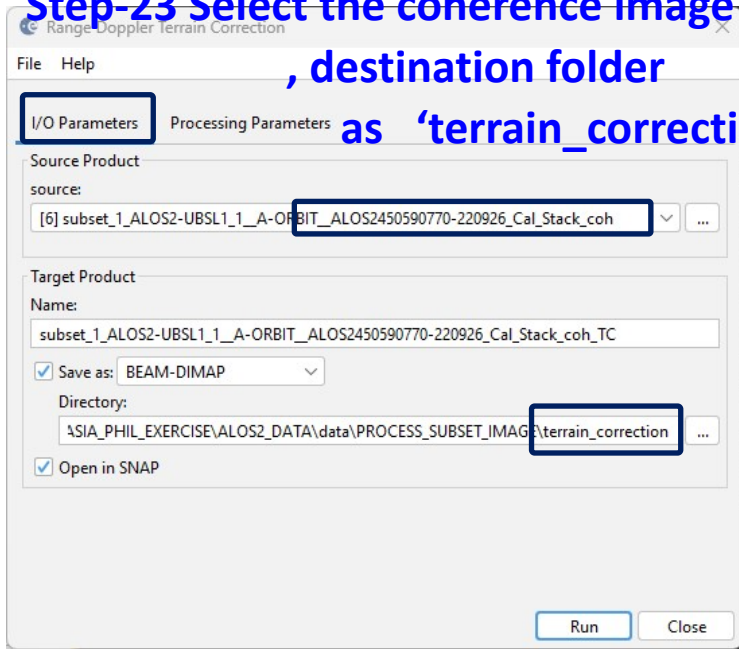
Step-22 Radar > Geometric > Terrain Correction > Range Doppler Terrain Correction



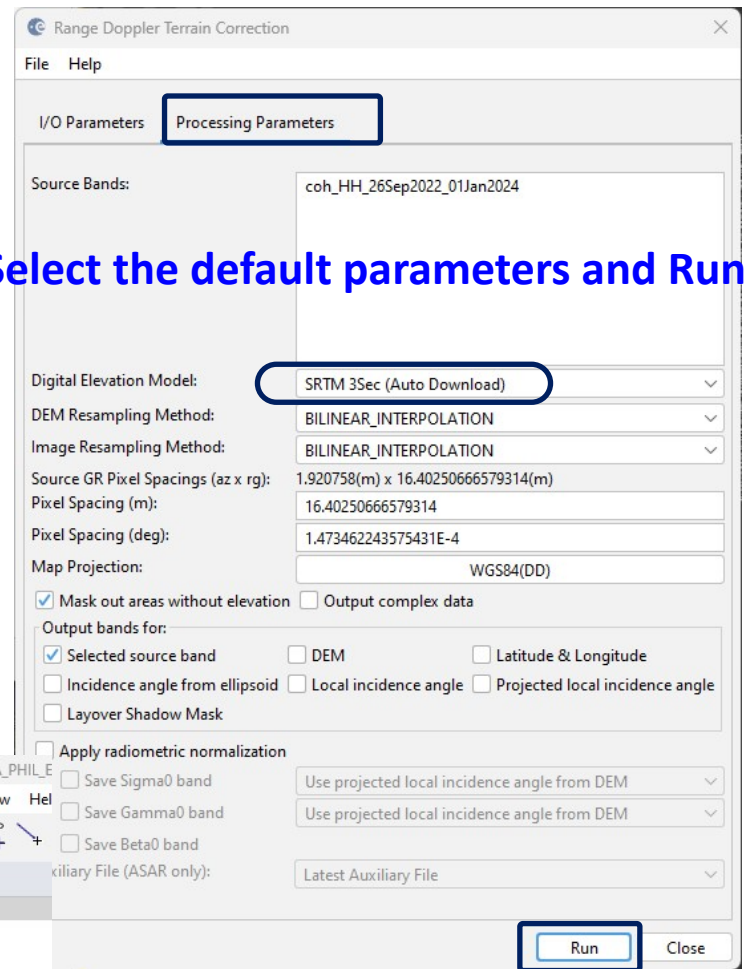
Step-23 Select the coherence image

, destination folder

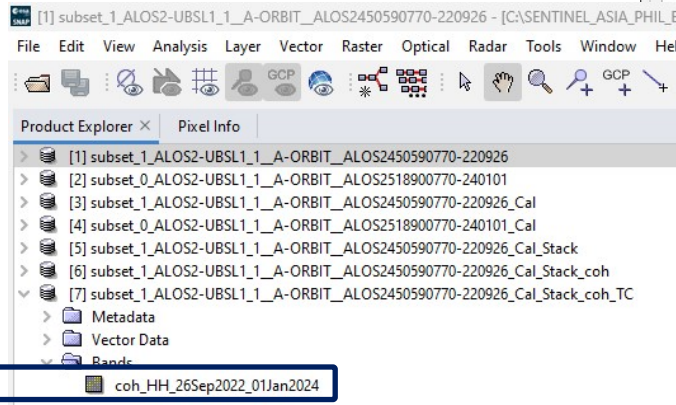
as 'terrain_correction'



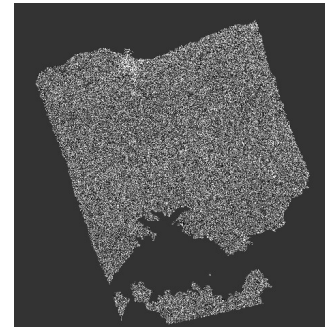
Step-24 Select the default parameters and Run



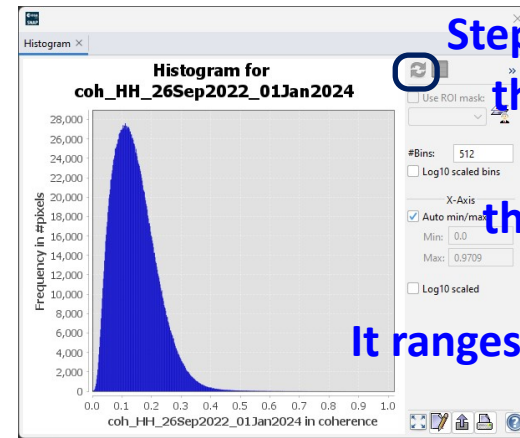
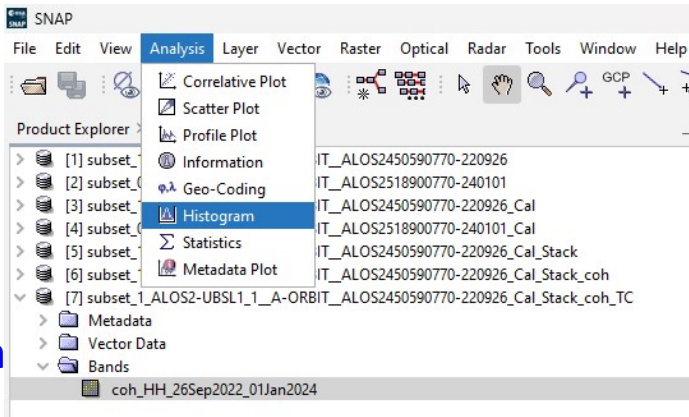
Step-25 after process coherence band will be Terrain corrected, double click to visualize



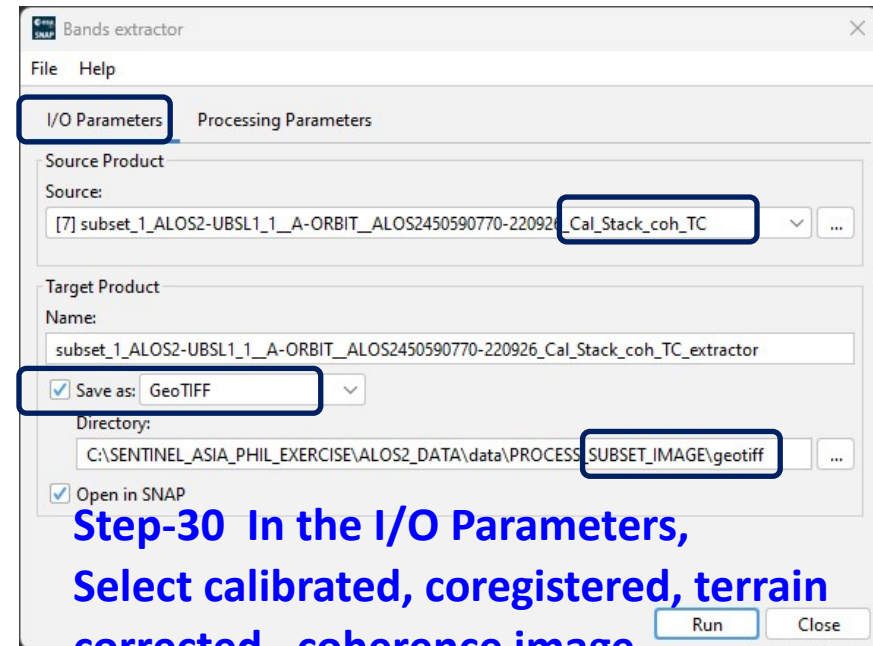
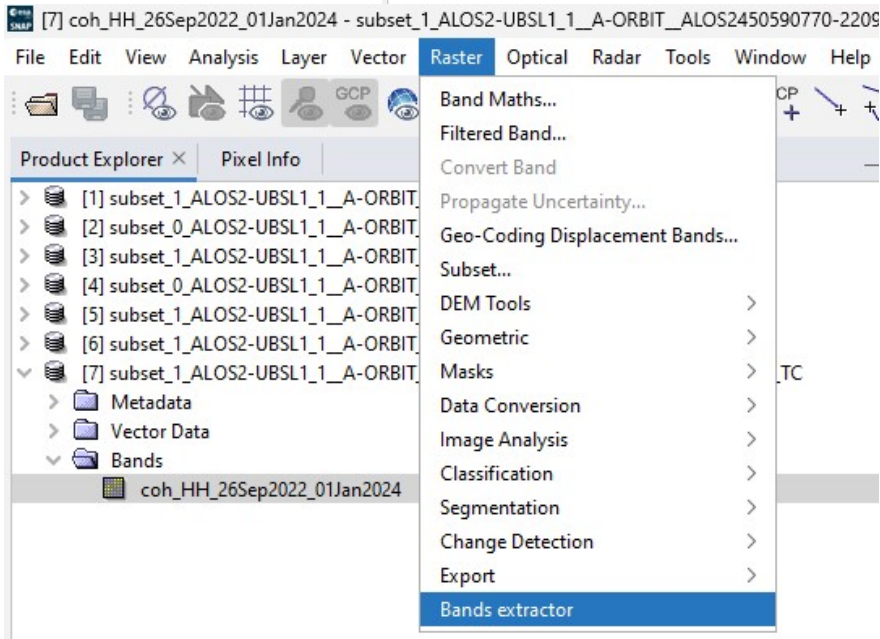
Step-26 The terrain corrected coherence image



Step-27
 Check the histogram
 of the 'Terrain
 corrected'
 Coherence Image
 Analysis> Histogram



Step-28 Click on
 this button to
 compute
 the Histogram
 It ranges from (0 ~ 1)

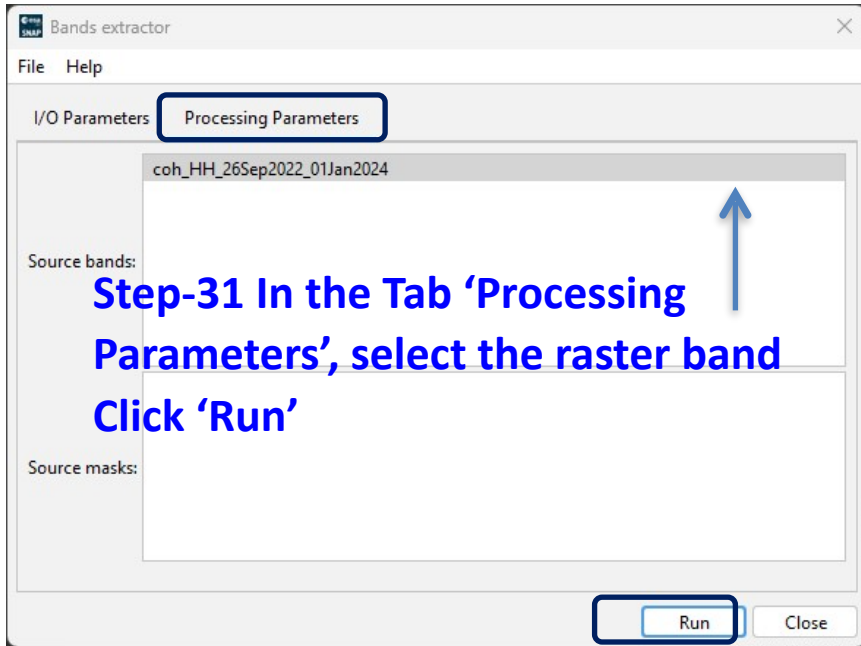


Step-30 In the I/O Parameters,
 Select calibrated, coregistered, terrain
 corrected, coherence image,
 Save it as 'GeoTiff', select the
 destination folder 'geotiff'

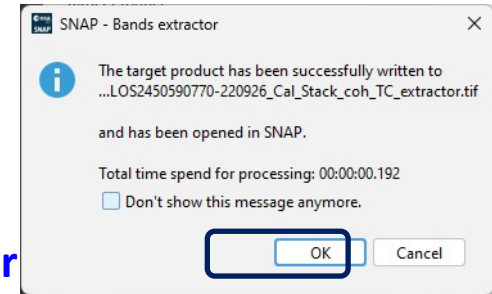


Step-29 Extract the terrain
 corrected Coherence image in
 Geotiff format (for further analysis).
 Raster> Band Extractor



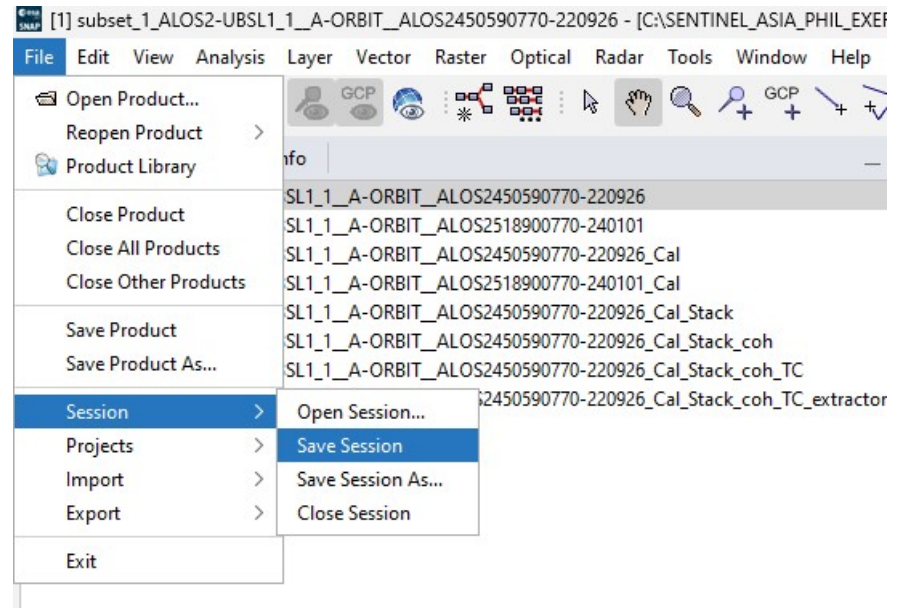


Step-32
The product is written to the destination folder
click 'ok'



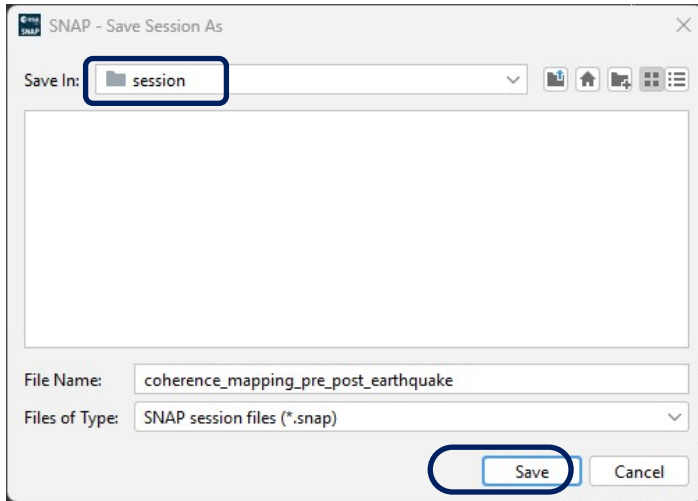
Step-33 Check the Raster in the 'Geotiff' Folder

Name	Date modified	Type	Size
subset_1_ALOS2-UBSL1_1_A-ORBIT_ALOS2450590770-220926_Cal_Stack_coh_TC_extractor	10/30/2024 10:19 AM	TIF File	53,624 KB
subset_1_ALOS2-UBSL1_1_A-ORBIT_ALOS2450590770-220926_Cal_Stack_coh_TC_extractor.tif.ovr	10/30/2024 10:19 AM	OVR File	18,884 KB

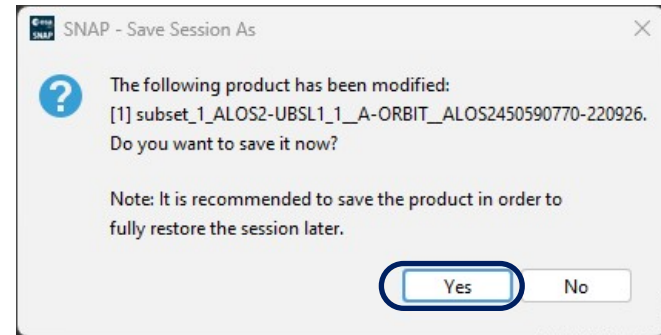


Step-34 File> Session> Save Session
(necessary to reopen the project later in SNAP)

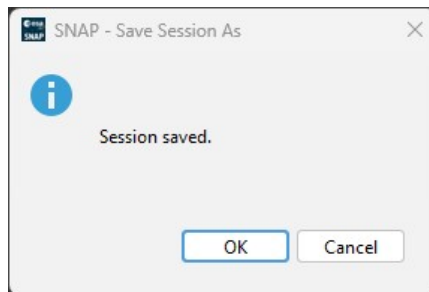
Step-35 Select the folder 'Session' and save the project as coherence_mapping_pre_post_earthquake



Step-36 Click 'Yes'



Step-38 Now launch QGIS



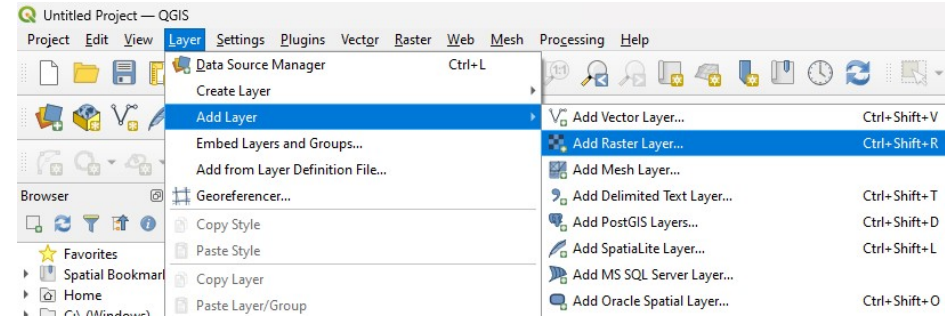
Step-37 Session Saved (you can reopen the project by File> Session> Open Session)

Step-39 Open an new empty Project

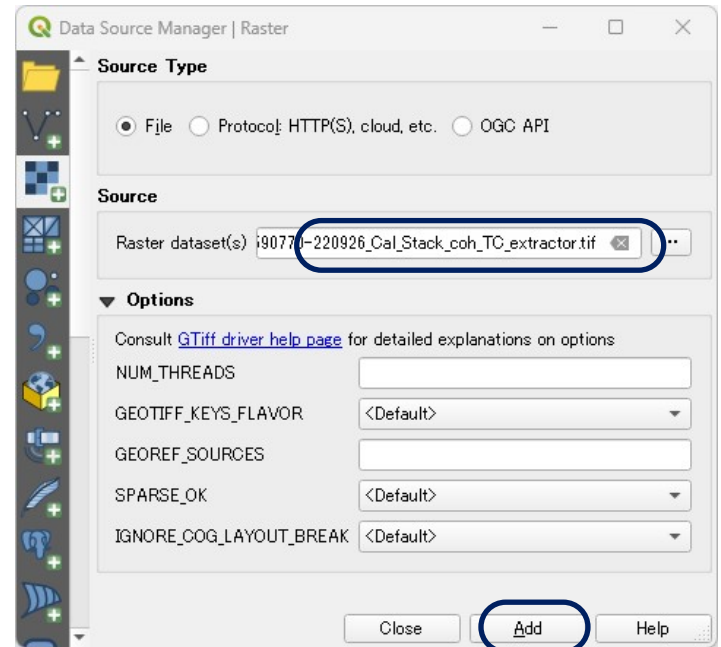
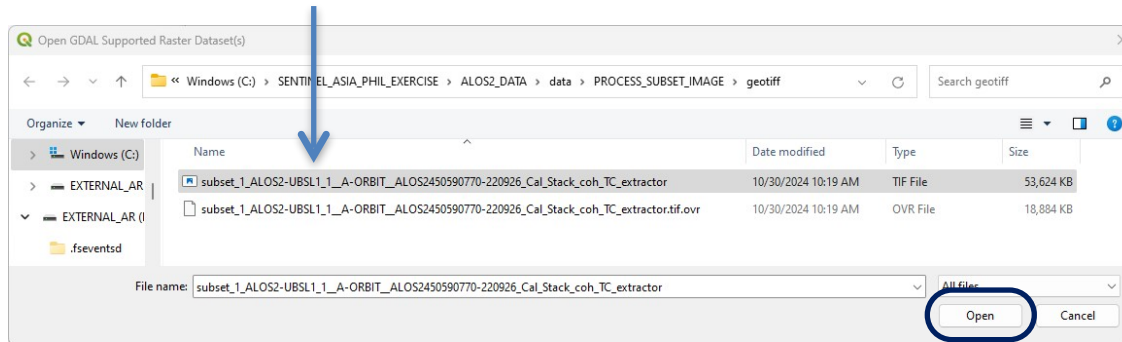
Project Templates



Step-40 In QGIS, Layer> Add Layer > Add Raster Layer

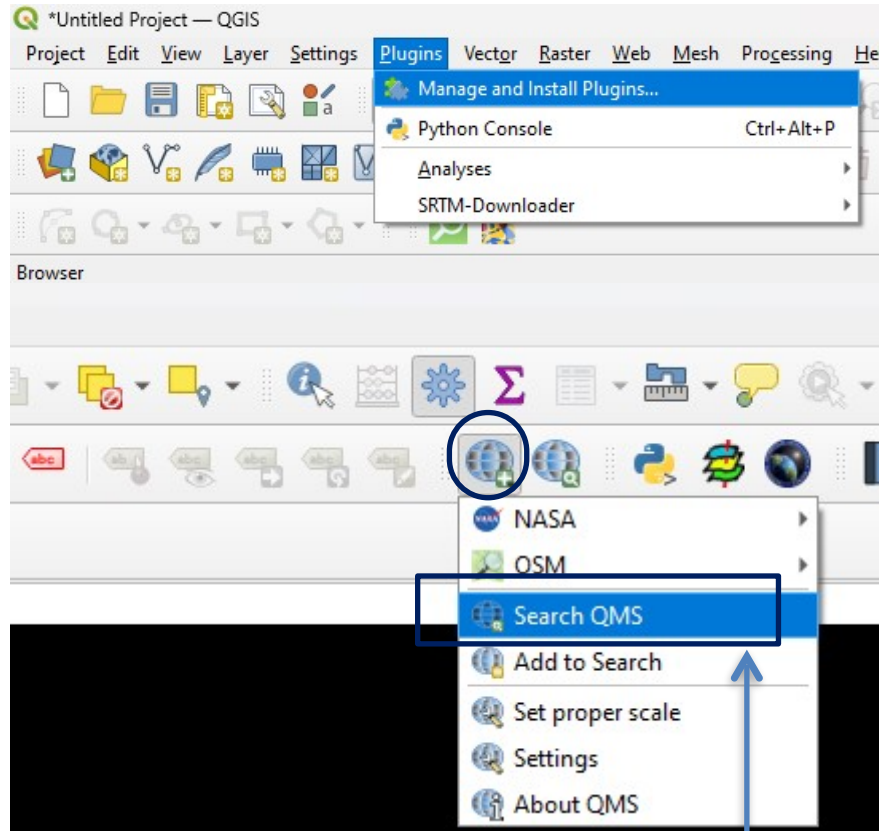


Step-41 Select the TIFF file that you exported from SNAP, select it and click 'Open'



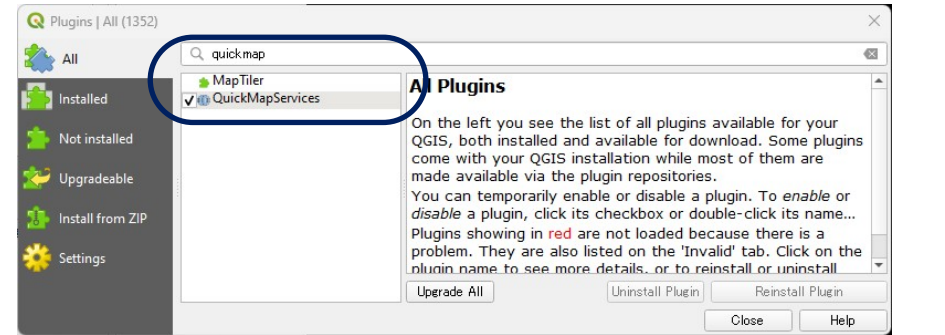
Step-42 Add the raster file

Step-43 In QGIS , you need to install a plugin Go to Plugins>Manage and Install Plugins



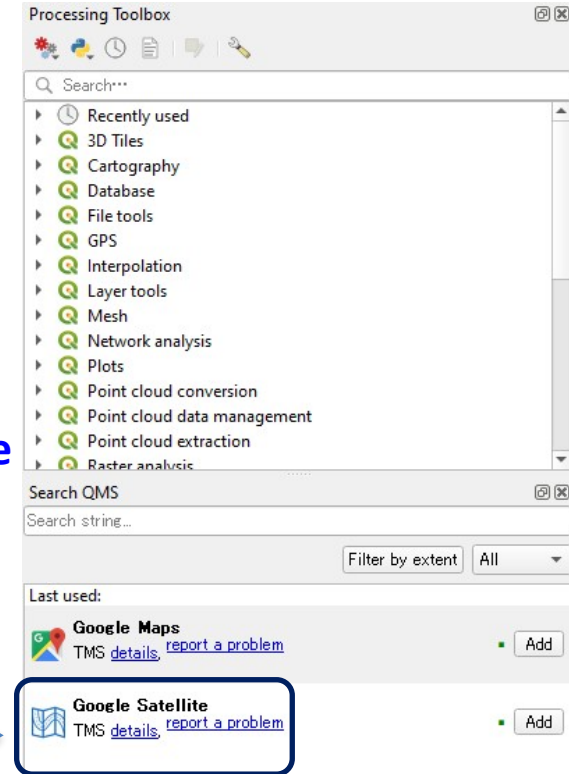
Step-45 Once installed, Click on the icon
and go to Search QMS

Step-44 Install the plugin 'Quick Map Services'

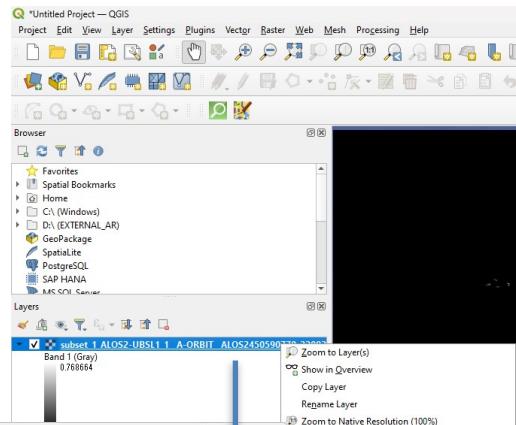


Step-46 We will
use the Google
Satellite
images as
background image

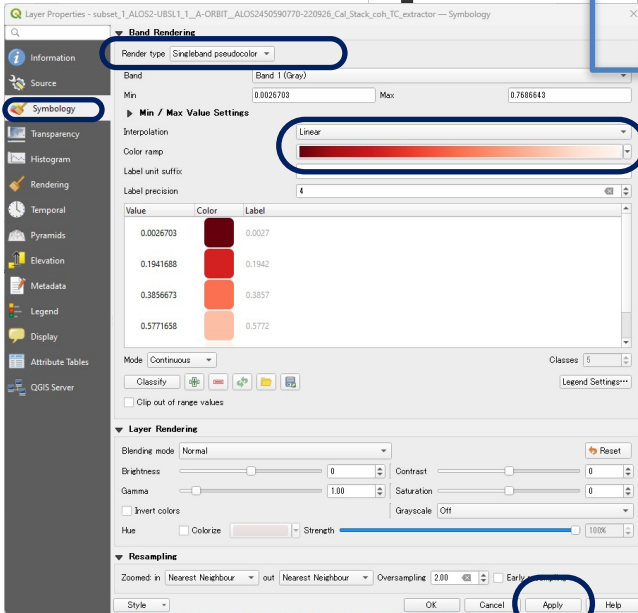
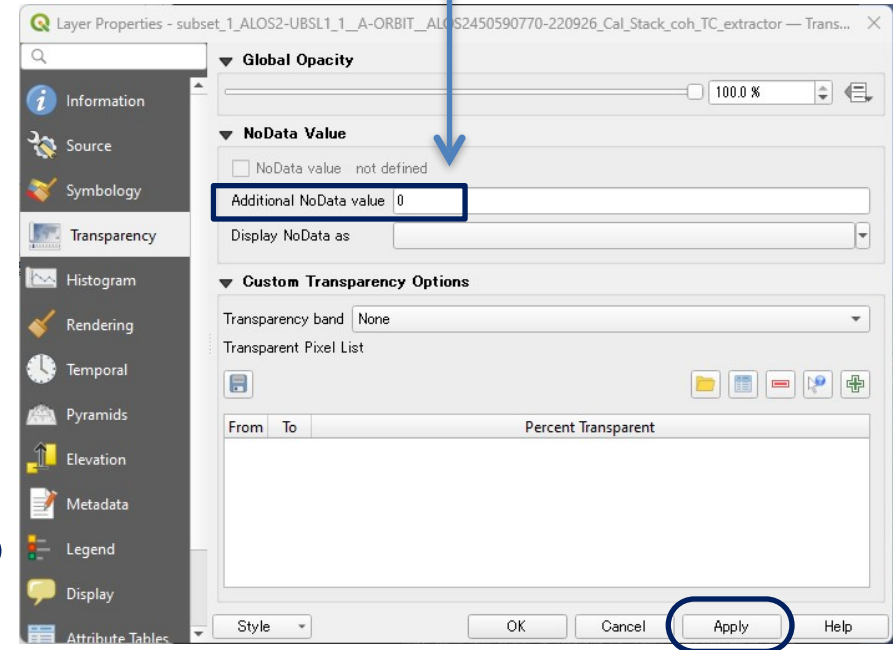
double click
(here)



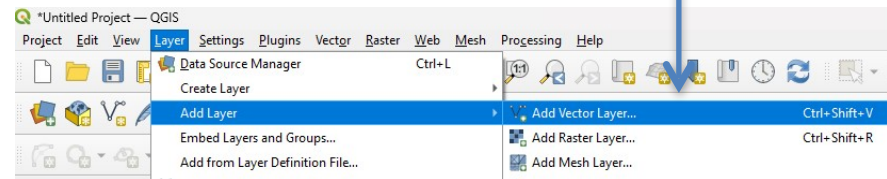
Step-47 Over the Raster, right click > Properties



Step-48 Go to Transparency > Put no data value as '0' click> Apply

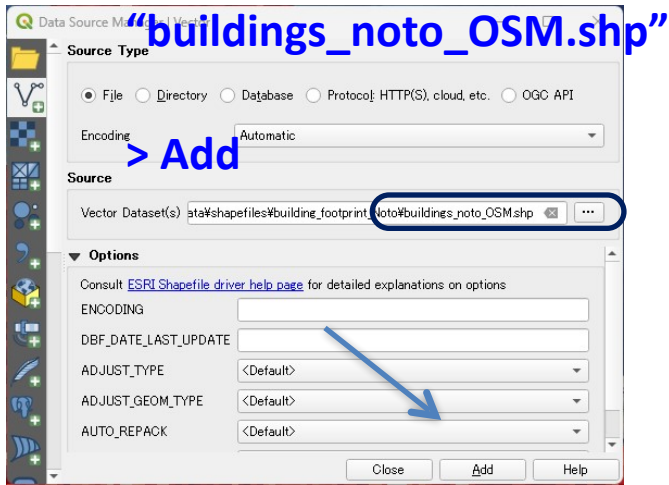


Step-50 Again Go to Layer > Add Layer> add Vector Layer

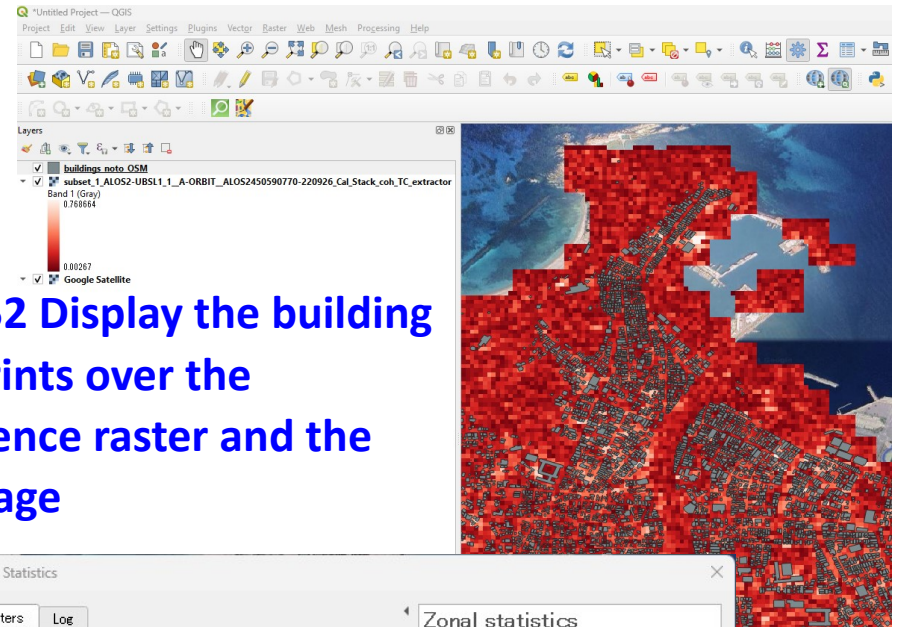


Step-49 Click on symbology> render type: singleband pseudocolor> Interpolation: Linear> colour map: Red > Apply

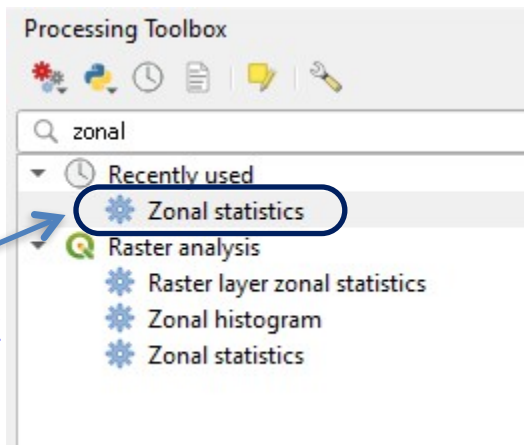
Step-51 select the building shapefile



Step-52 Display the building footprints over the coherence raster and the GE image



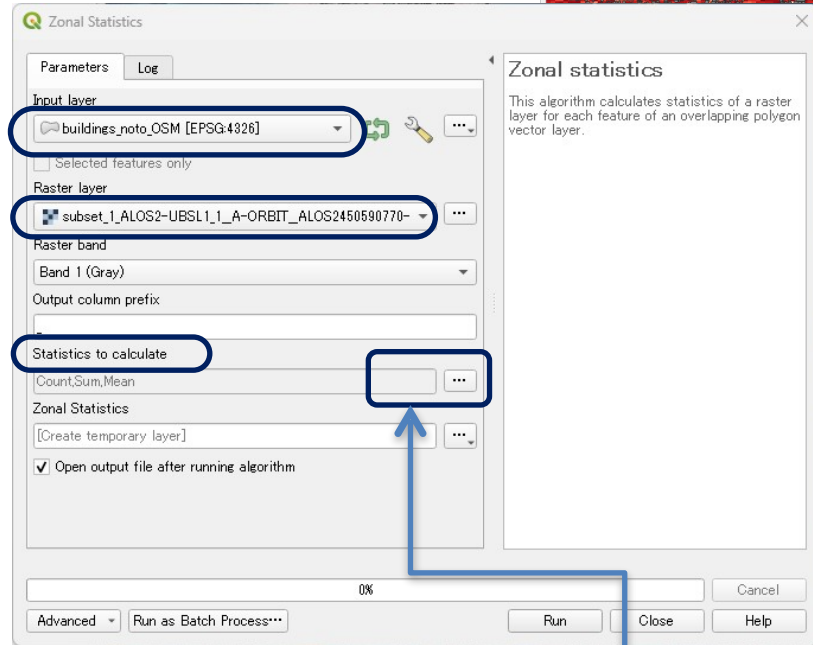
Step-53 Go to the 'Processing Toolbox' in QGIS and search for 'zonal statistics'



double click



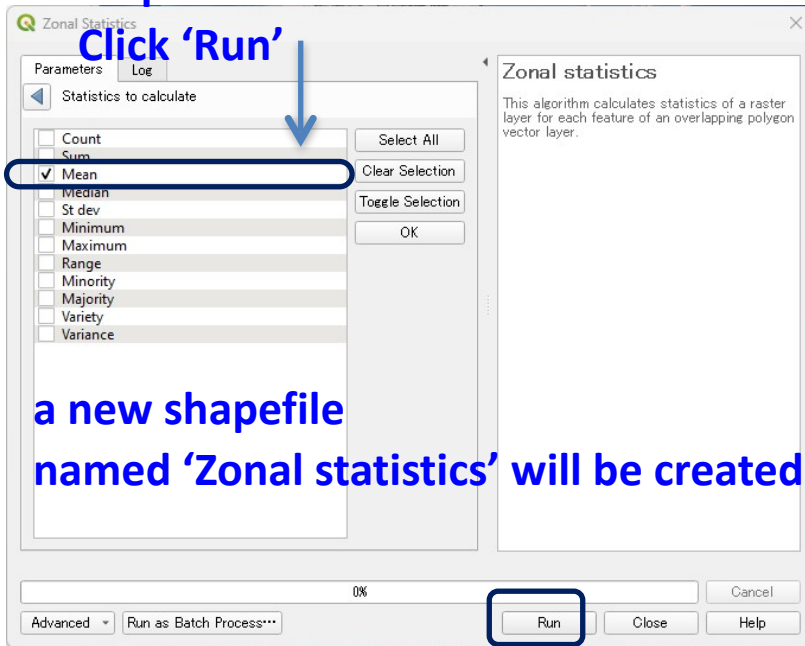
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Step-54 Select the Building shapefile in 'Input Layer' and 'coherence_raster' in 'Raster Layer' and click on (...) on 'Statistics to calculate'

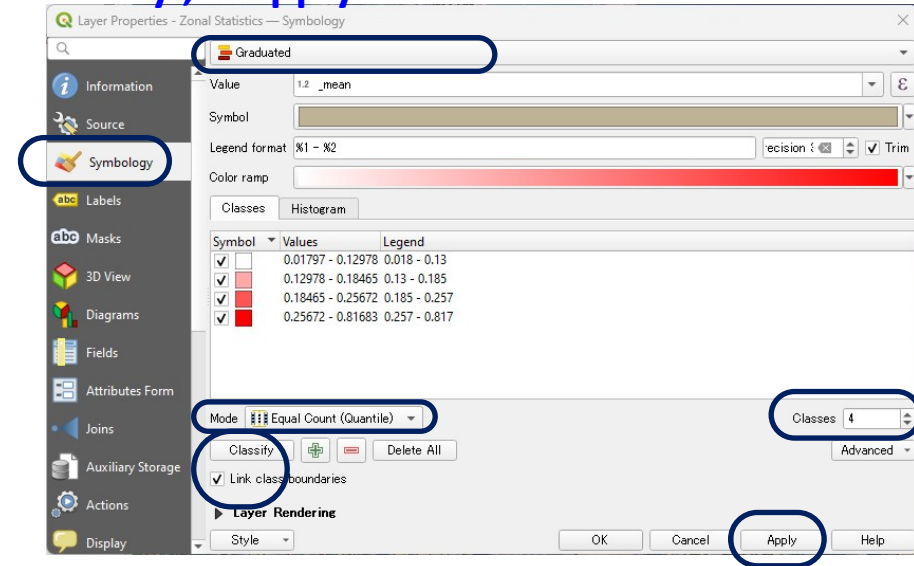
Step-55 Select the 'Mean' and

Click 'Run'

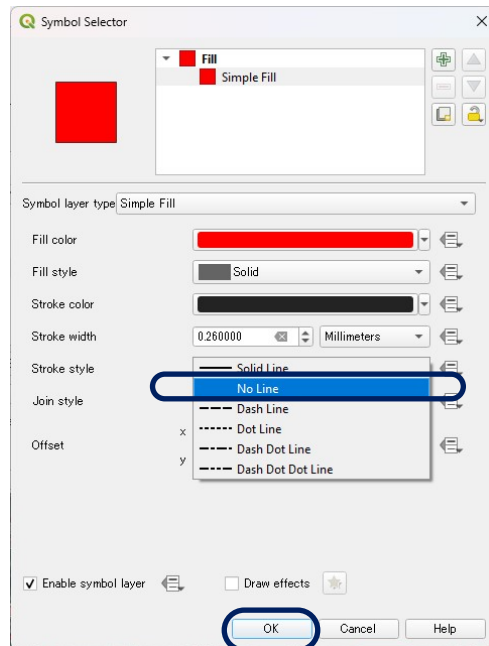


a new shapefile named 'Zonal statistics' will be created

Step-56 Right Click on the Zonal Statistics> Properties> Symbology. Select Graduated, Value : _mean , Colour ramp: Red, classes: 4 , Mode: Equal Count, Classify , > Apply



Step-57 You can make the boundaries of the buildings transparent (optional)



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Step-58 Display Building footprints with different coherence values (4 classes)



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Step-59 Now we will refer a high resolution image where there is clear damage to buildings seen after the earthquake (image on the right). These buildings will have low coherence in the shapefile

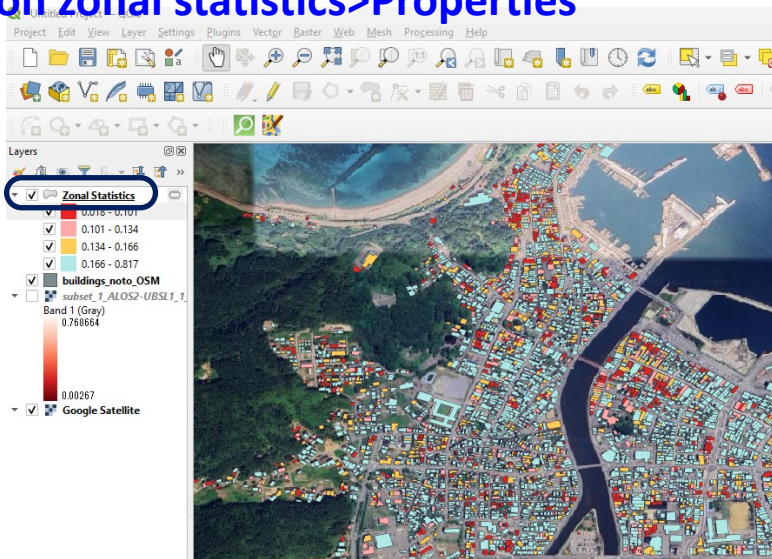


“zonal statistics”

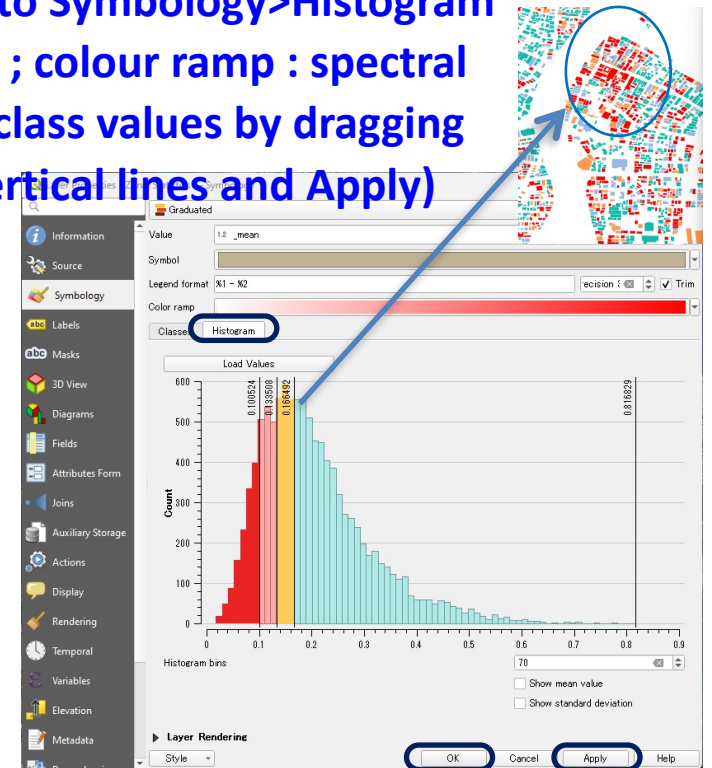
Step-60 Adjust the class values so that the buildings in damaged areas are seen in red colours in our shapefile

‘zonal statistics’

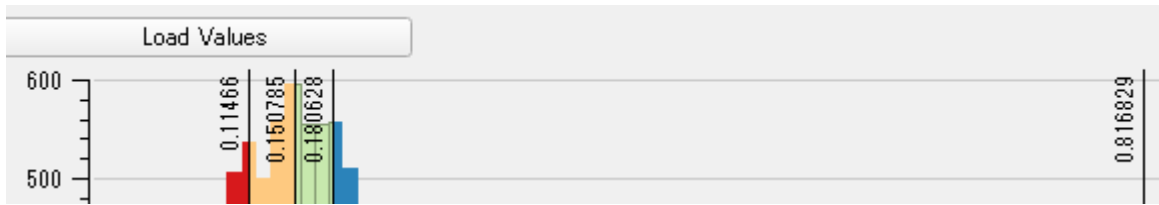
Right click on zonal statistics>Properties



Step-61 Go to Symbology>Histogram Load values ; colour ramp : spectral (adjust the class values by dragging the black vertical lines and Apply)



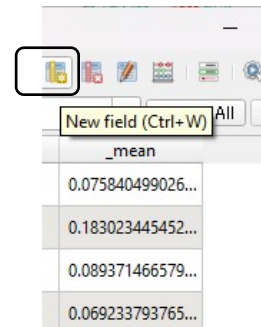
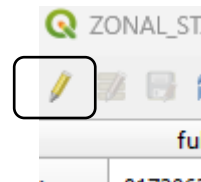
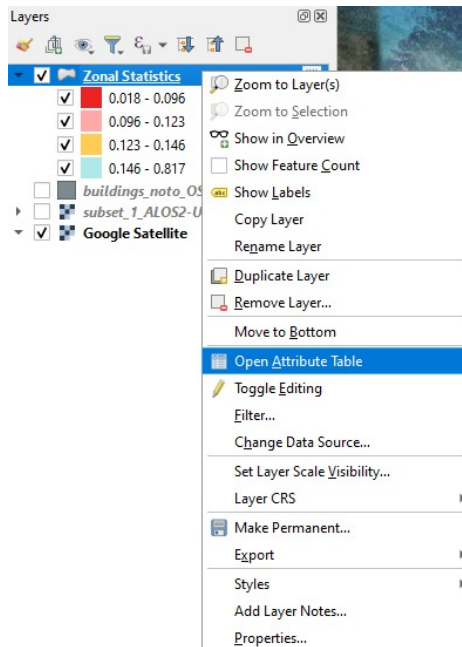
once verified, click ok (remember the class breaks)



the class breaks, here are :

0.11 , 0.15 , 0.18 (you may decide on slightly different values)

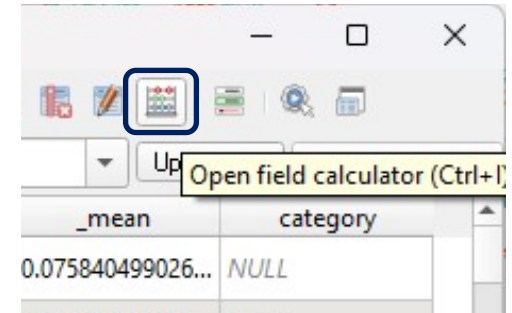
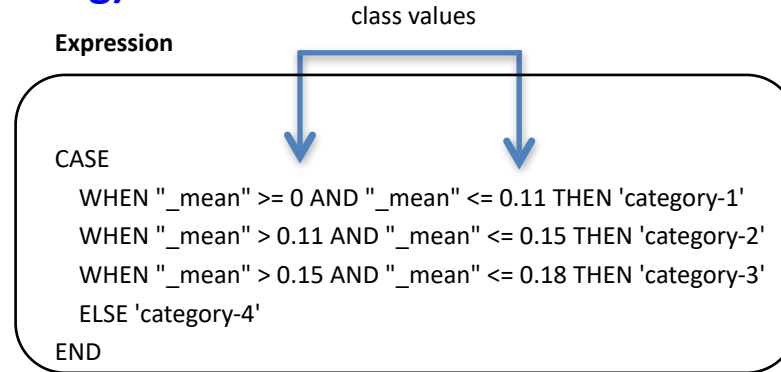
Step-62 Right Click on 'Zonal Statistics' >
 Open attribute table > 'toggle editing mode'
 > new field



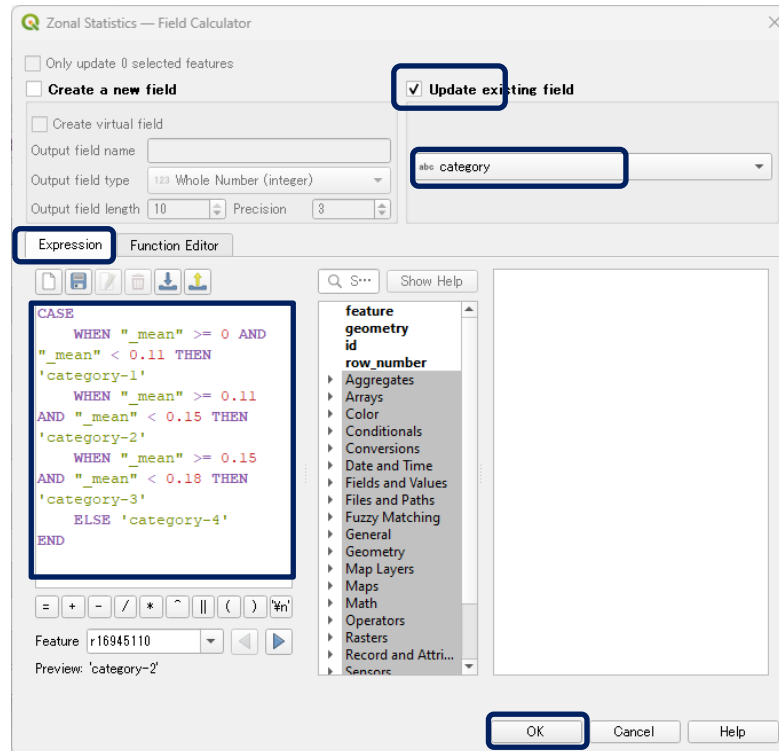
Step-63 Create a new field named 'category' , Type: Text (String) > ok



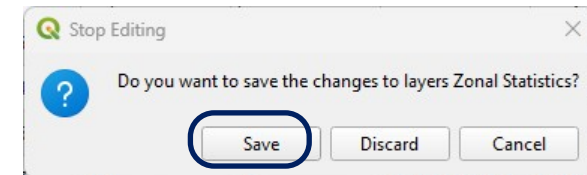
Step-64 Open Field Calculator



Step-65 Use the expression as shown while click 'update existing field', chose 'category' > ok use your own class values you think is appropriate

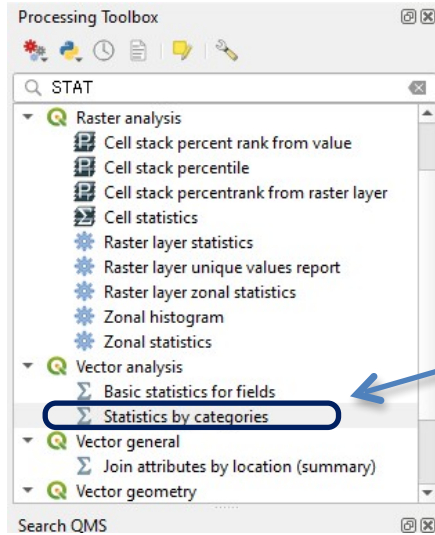


Step-66 Toggle Editing Mode > Save



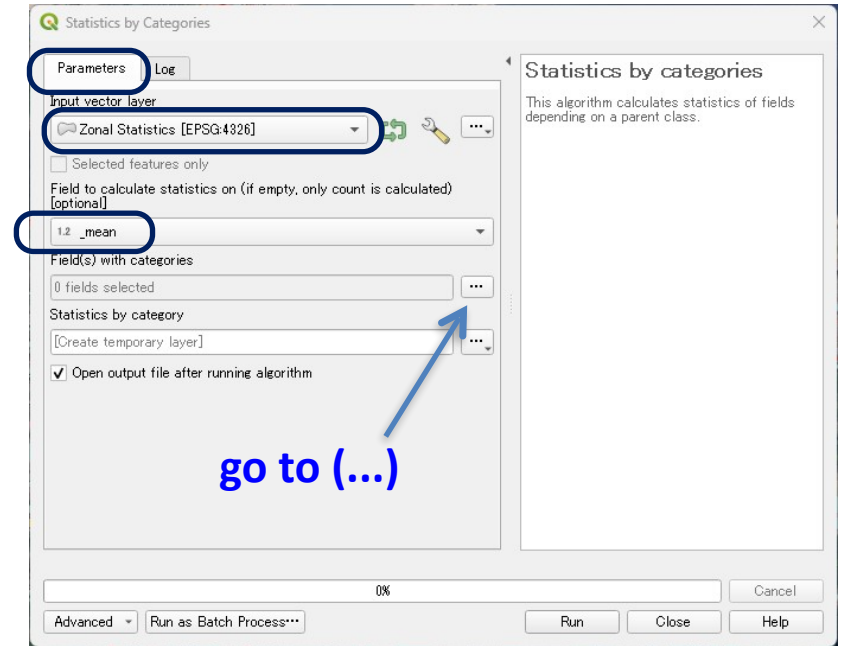
Step-67 Go to Processing Toolbox

> search : statistics by categories



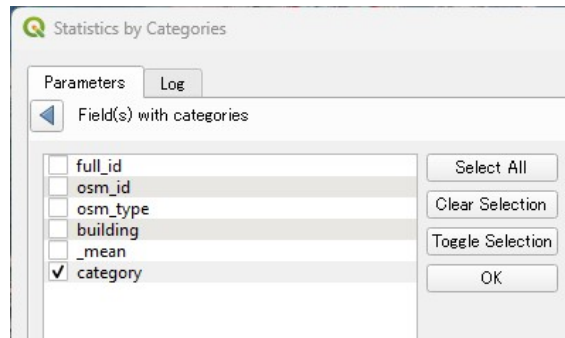
Double click

Step-68 Select Zonal Statistics and _mean under 'Parameters' Tab

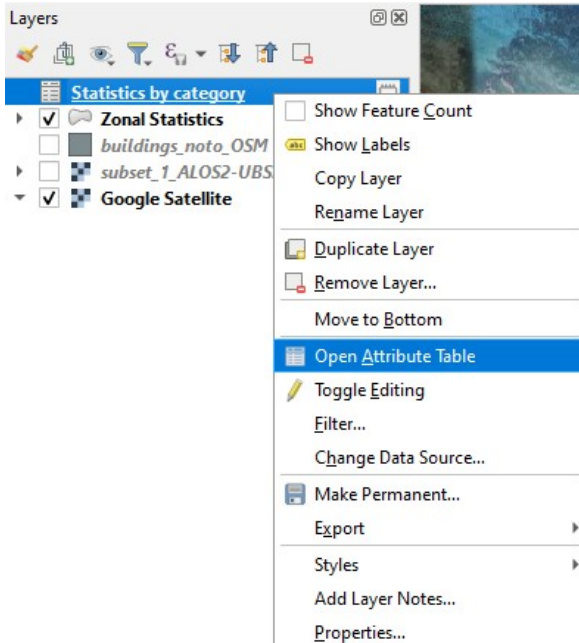


go to (...)

Step-69 Select 'category' and 'Run'



Step-74 You will see a file named 'Statistics by category' Right Click > Open Attribute Table



Step-75 You will see the number of Buildings damaged under each category

The screenshot shows the 'Statistics by category' dialog box. The table displays the following data:

	category	count
1	category-1	1812
2	category-2	1918
3	category-3	1474
4	category-4	5650

Thank you

