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Using information about the spatial dispersal of *Phytophthora infestans* for managing late blight

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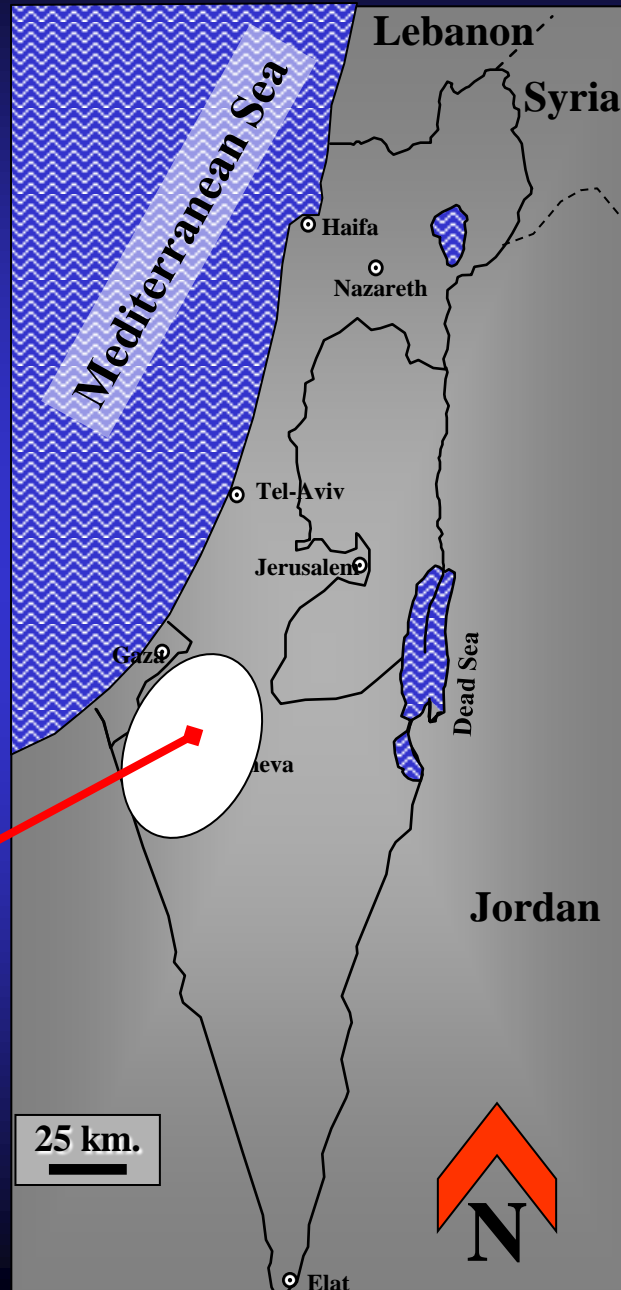
Opher Mendelsohn

Scantask Ltd

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Potato production in Israel



Northern Negev
10,000 ha















Decisions about spray timing and fungicide type are based on “on-site” information (scouting, weather, etc.)

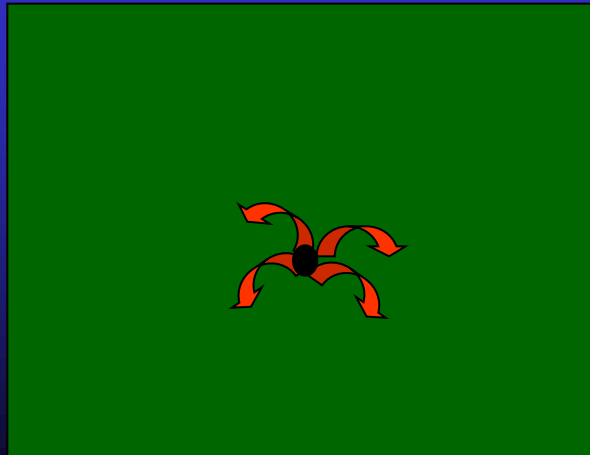
Late blight management can be improved by relying on regional information.....

- About the sources of initial inoculum.
- About the spatial dispersal of the disease on a regional basis.

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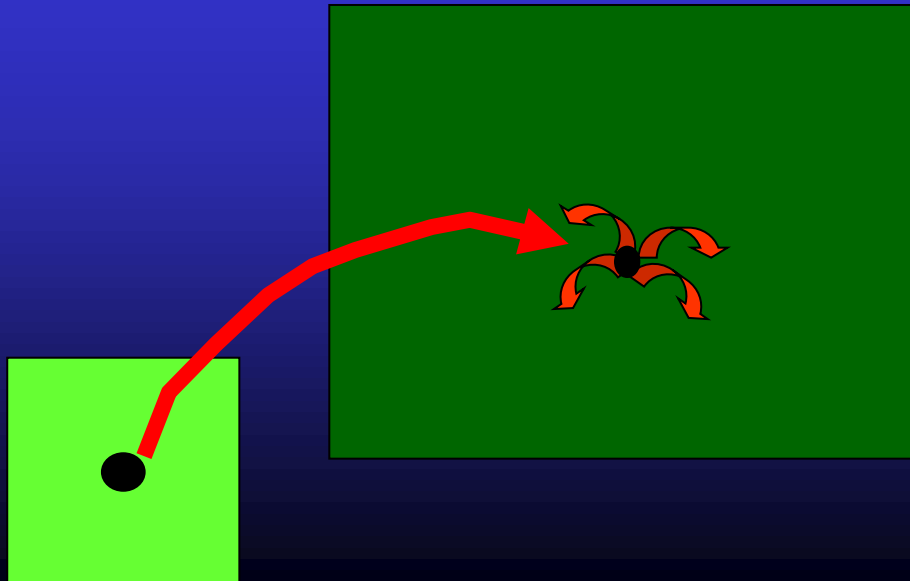
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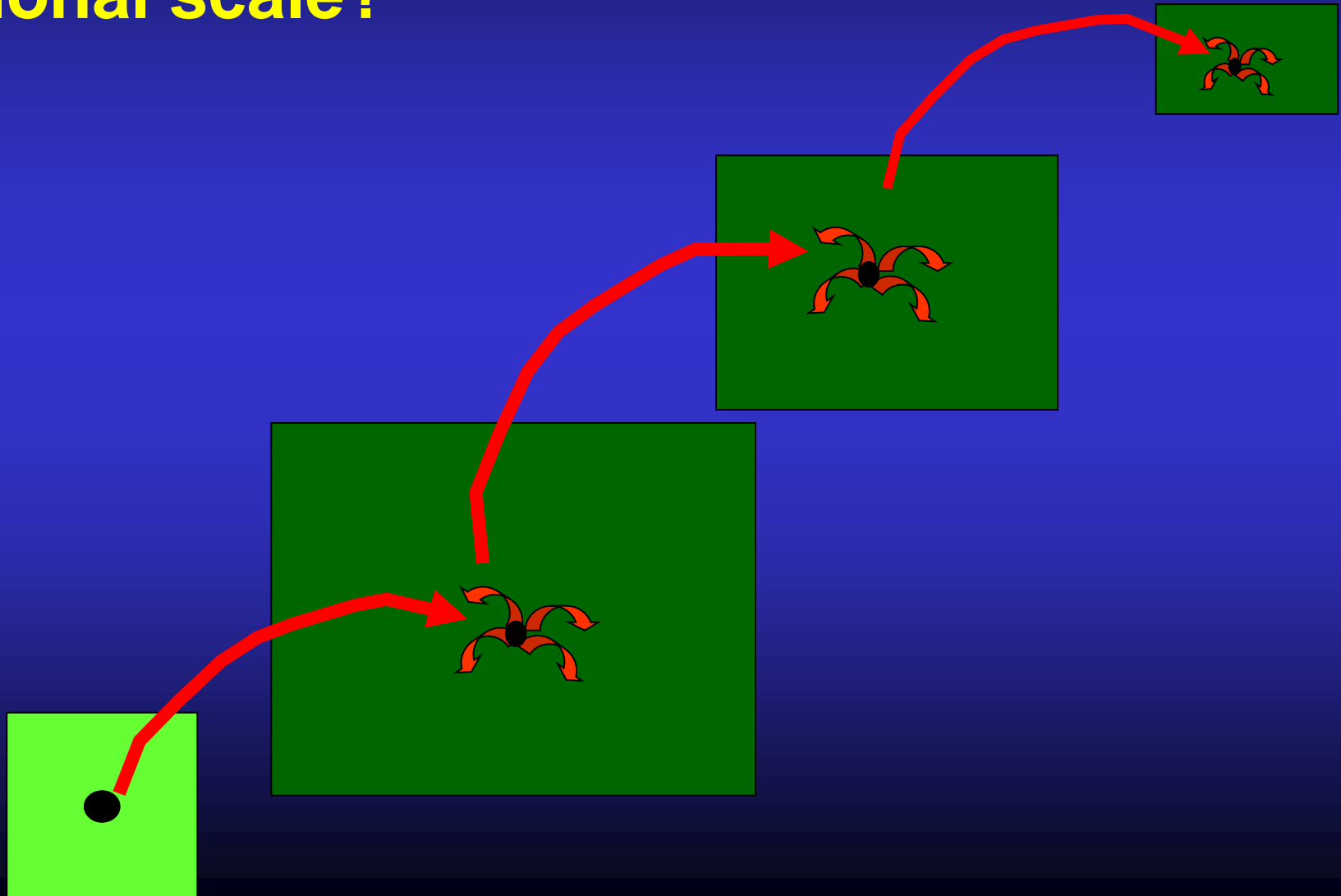
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- Adjacent tomato greenhouses
- Infected volunteer plants growing in adjacent fields
- Dump sites



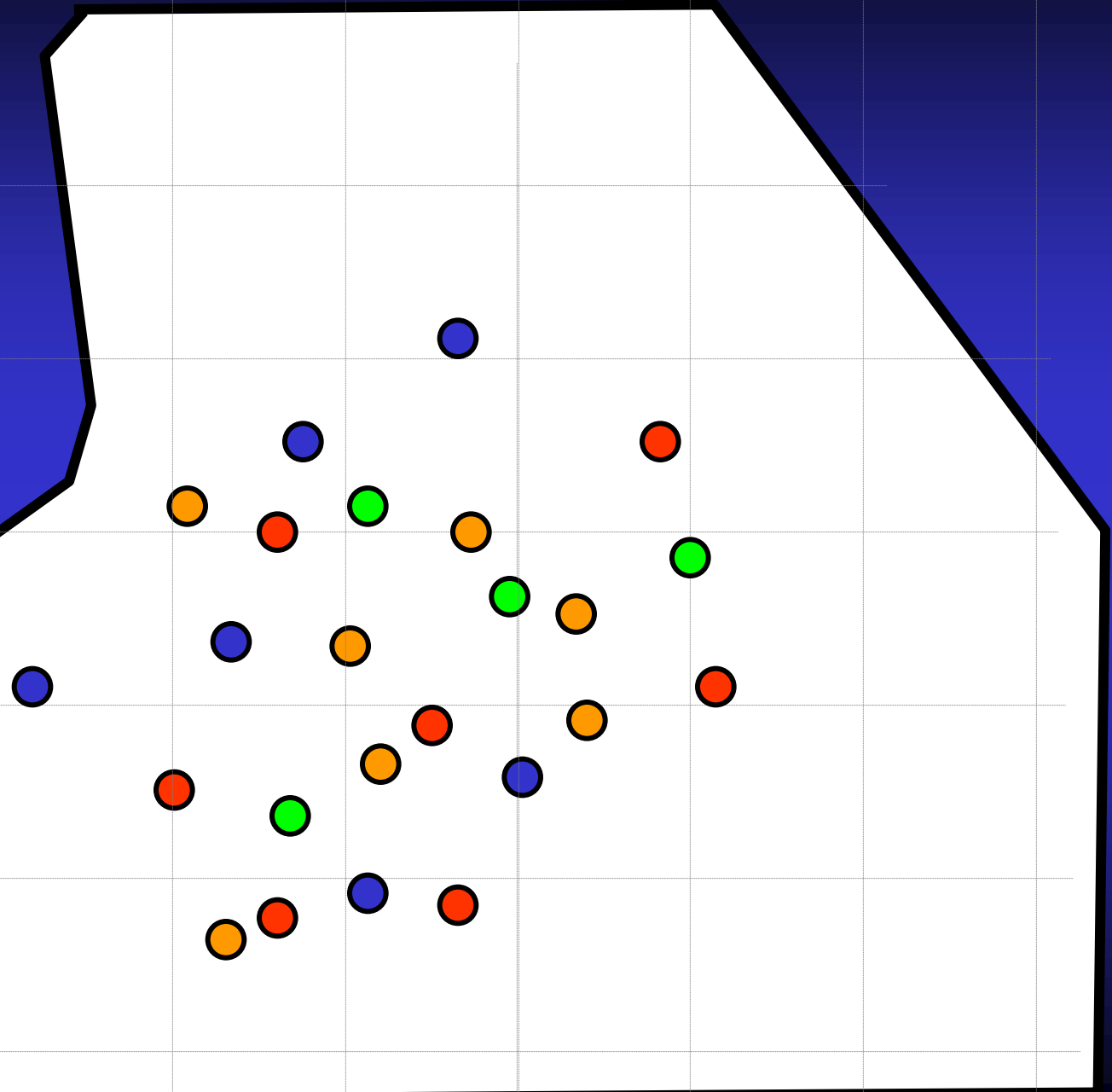
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What is the pattern of pathogen spread on a regional scale?



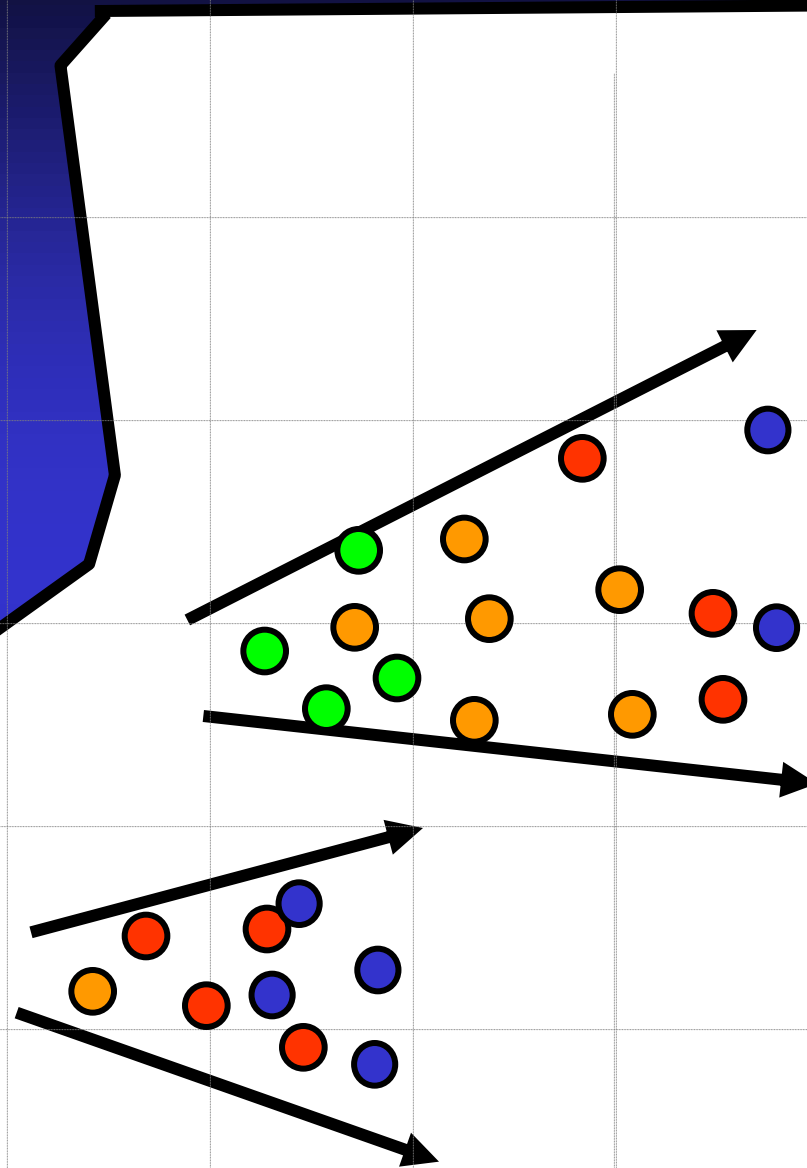
Spread of late blight in time and space

Week 1
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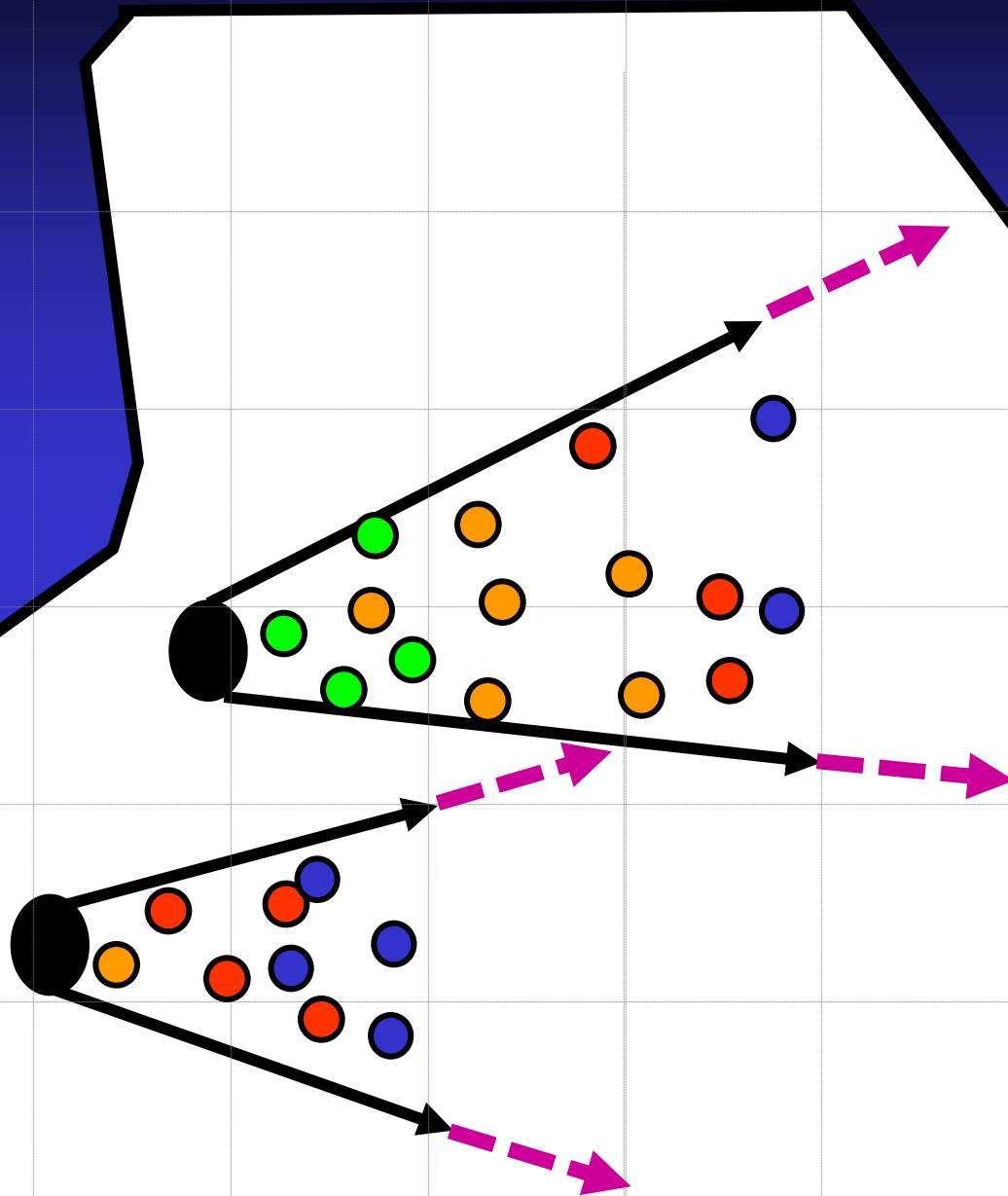
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.... then.....

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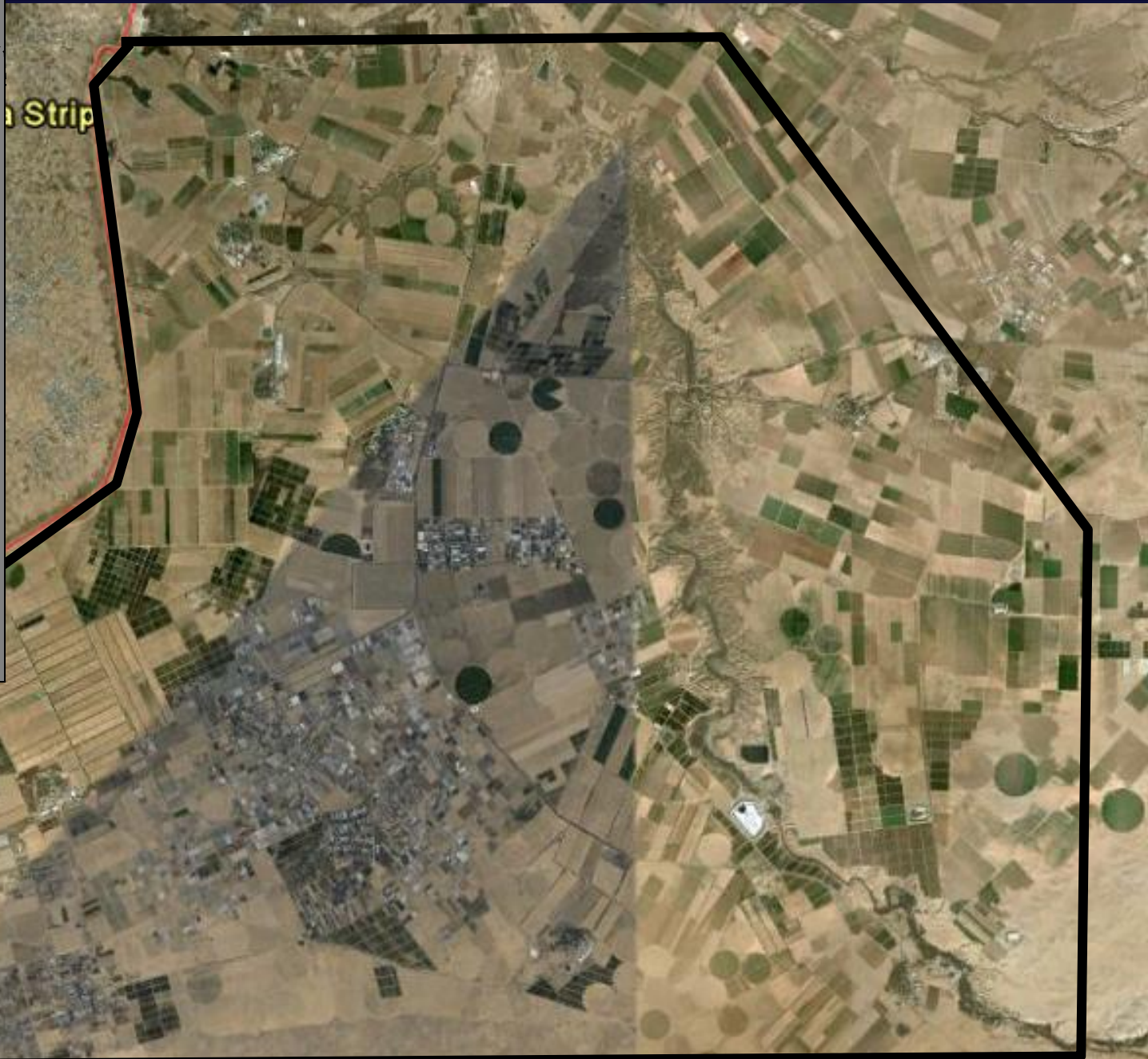
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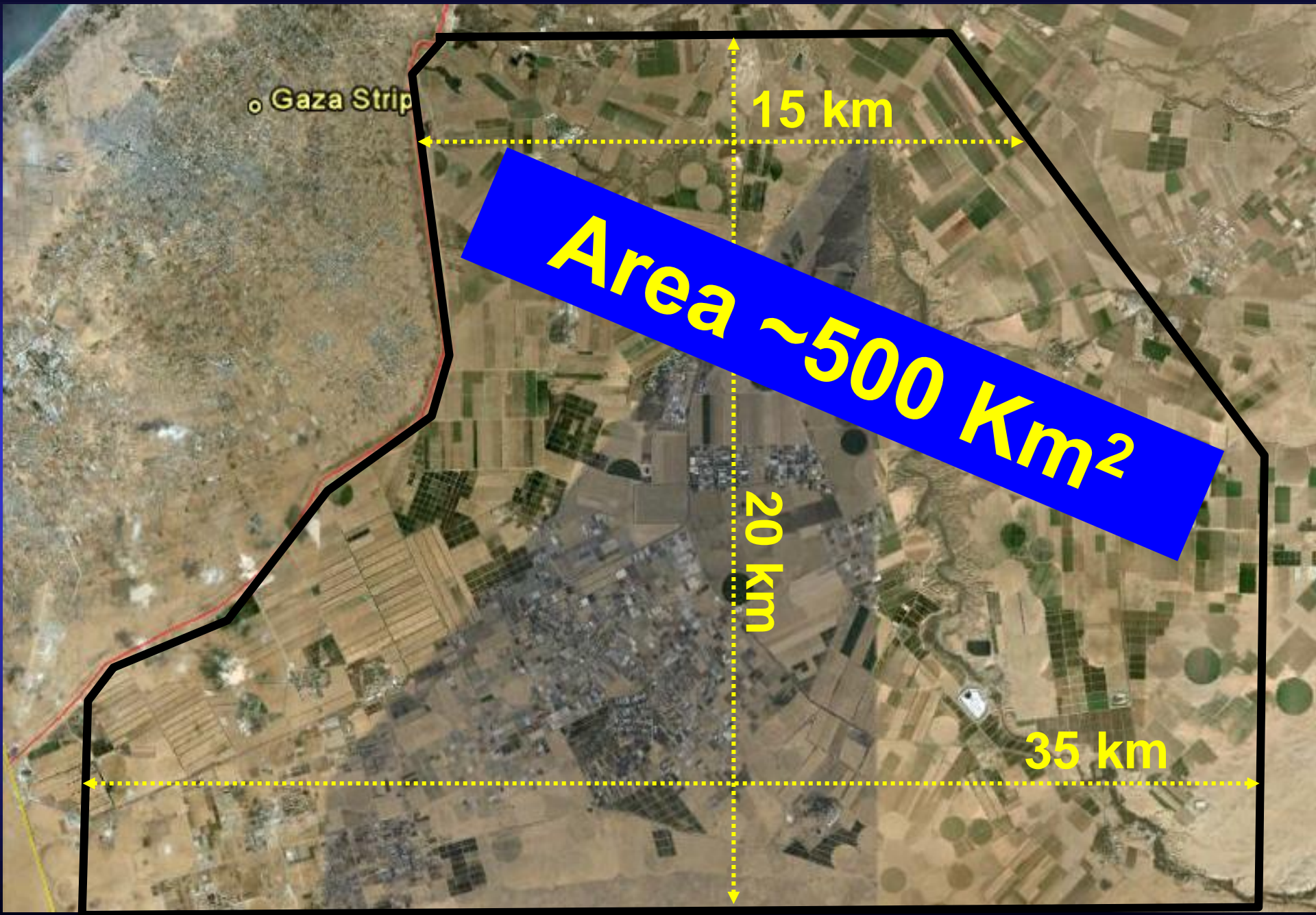
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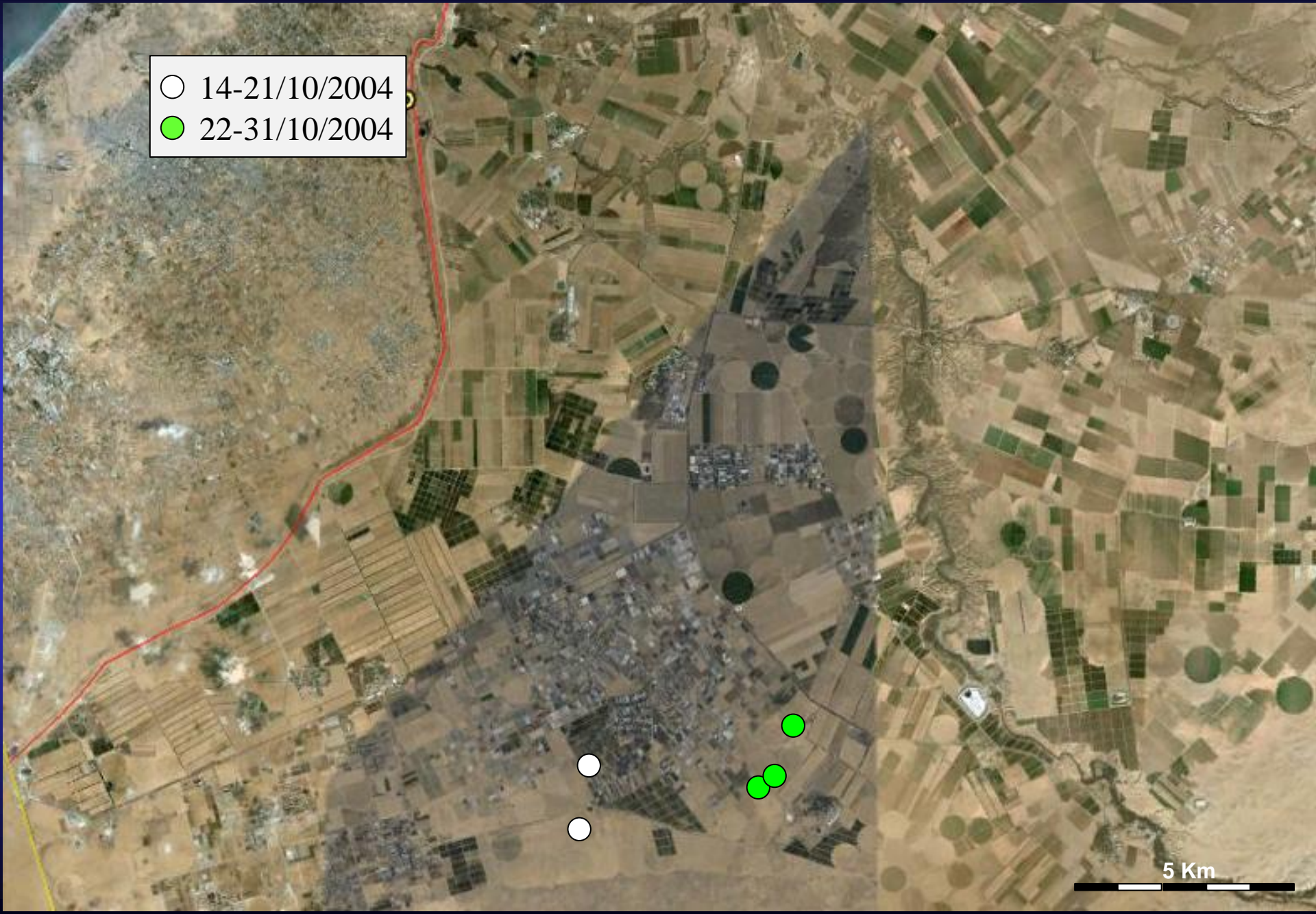
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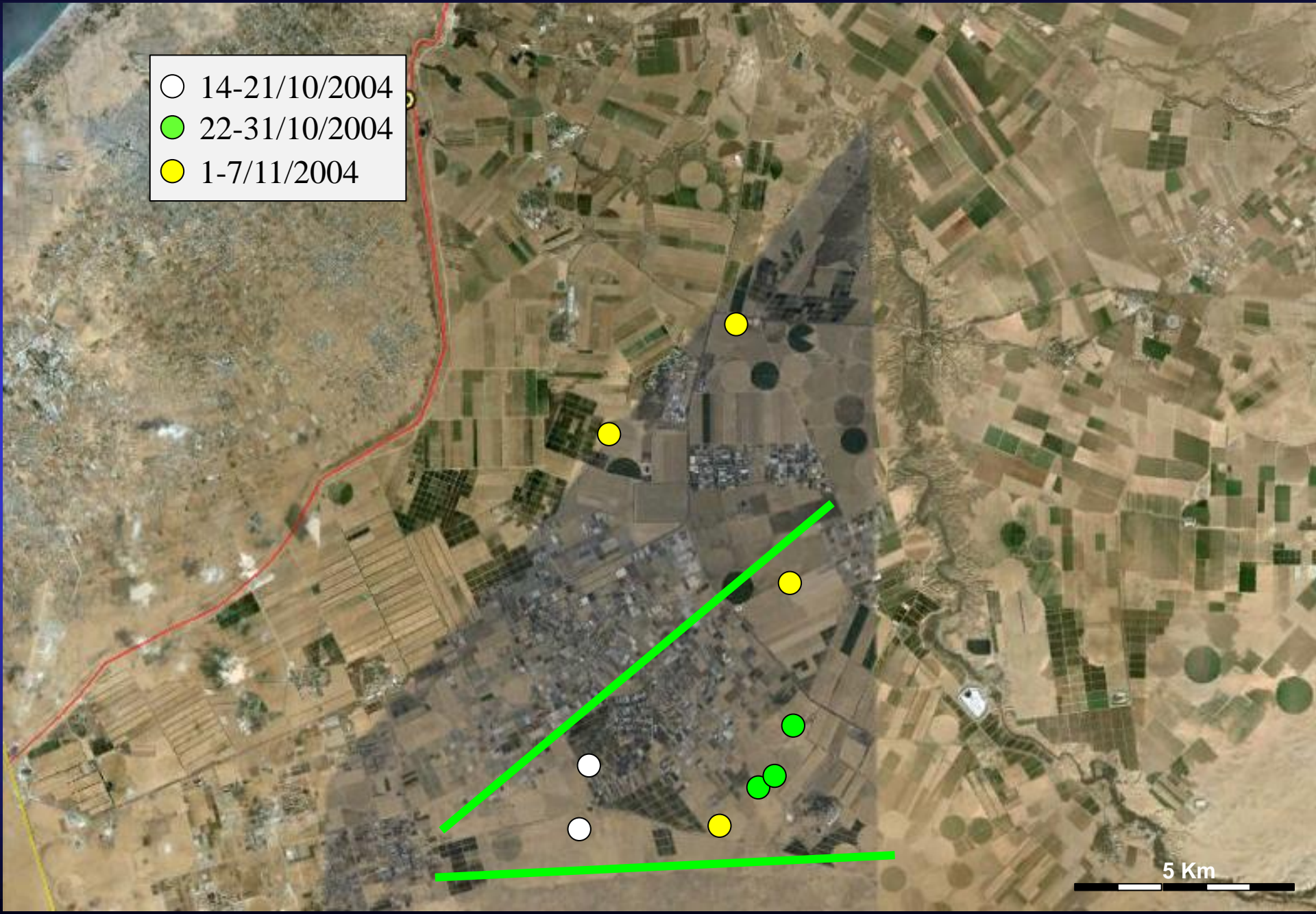
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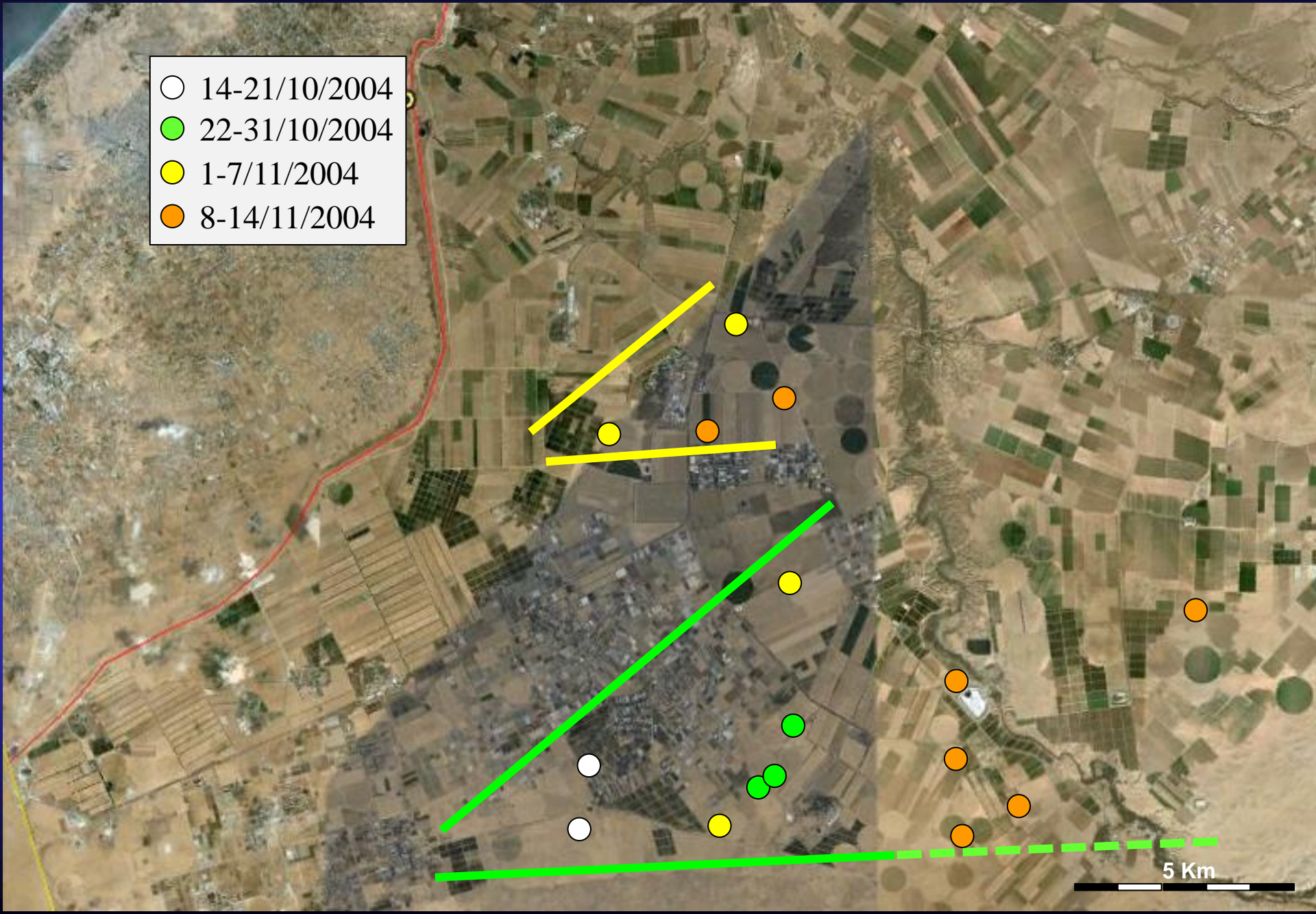
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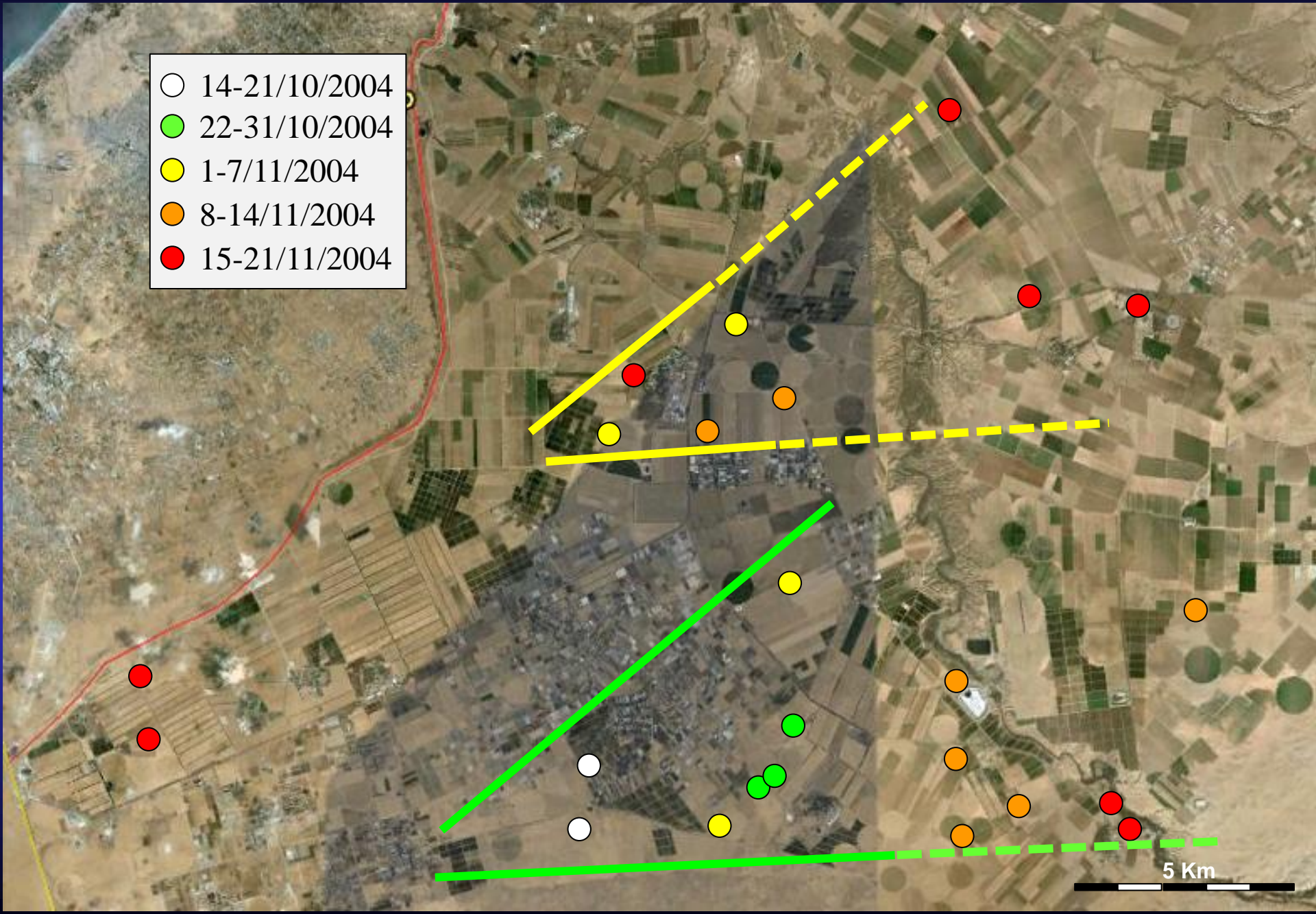
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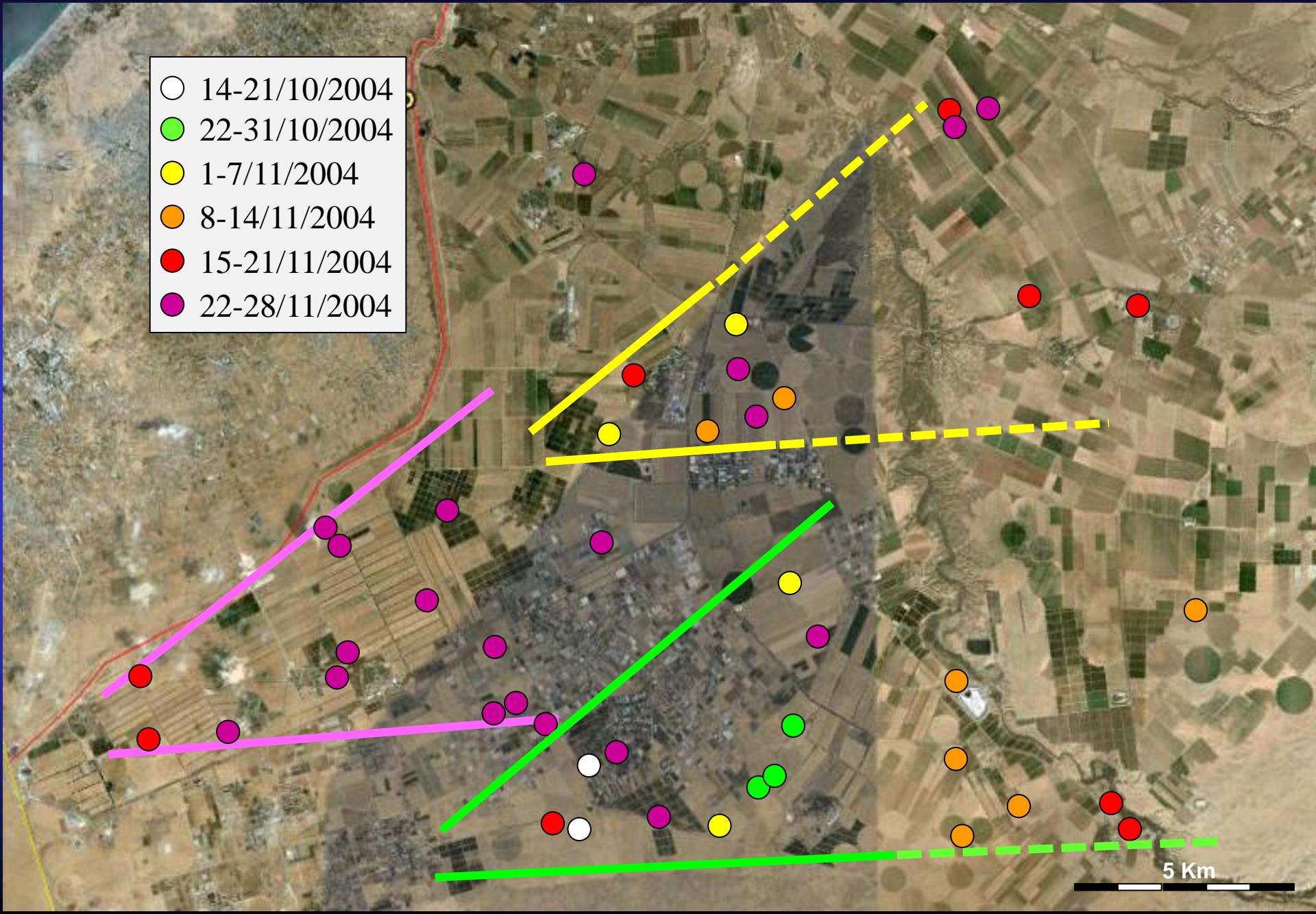
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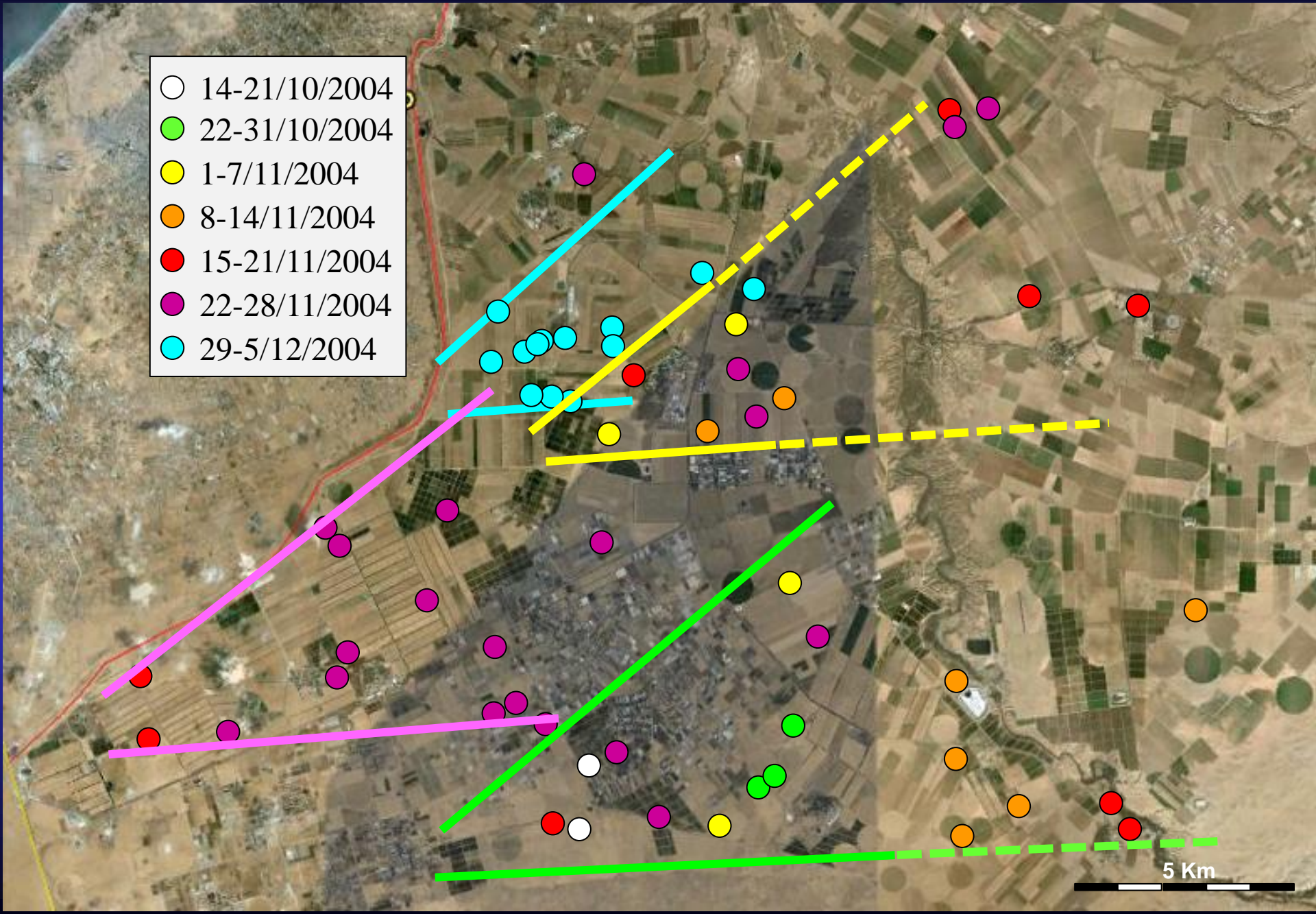
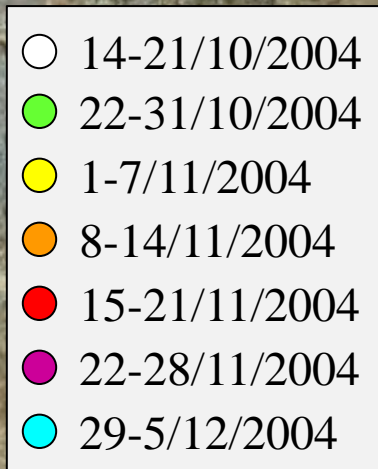
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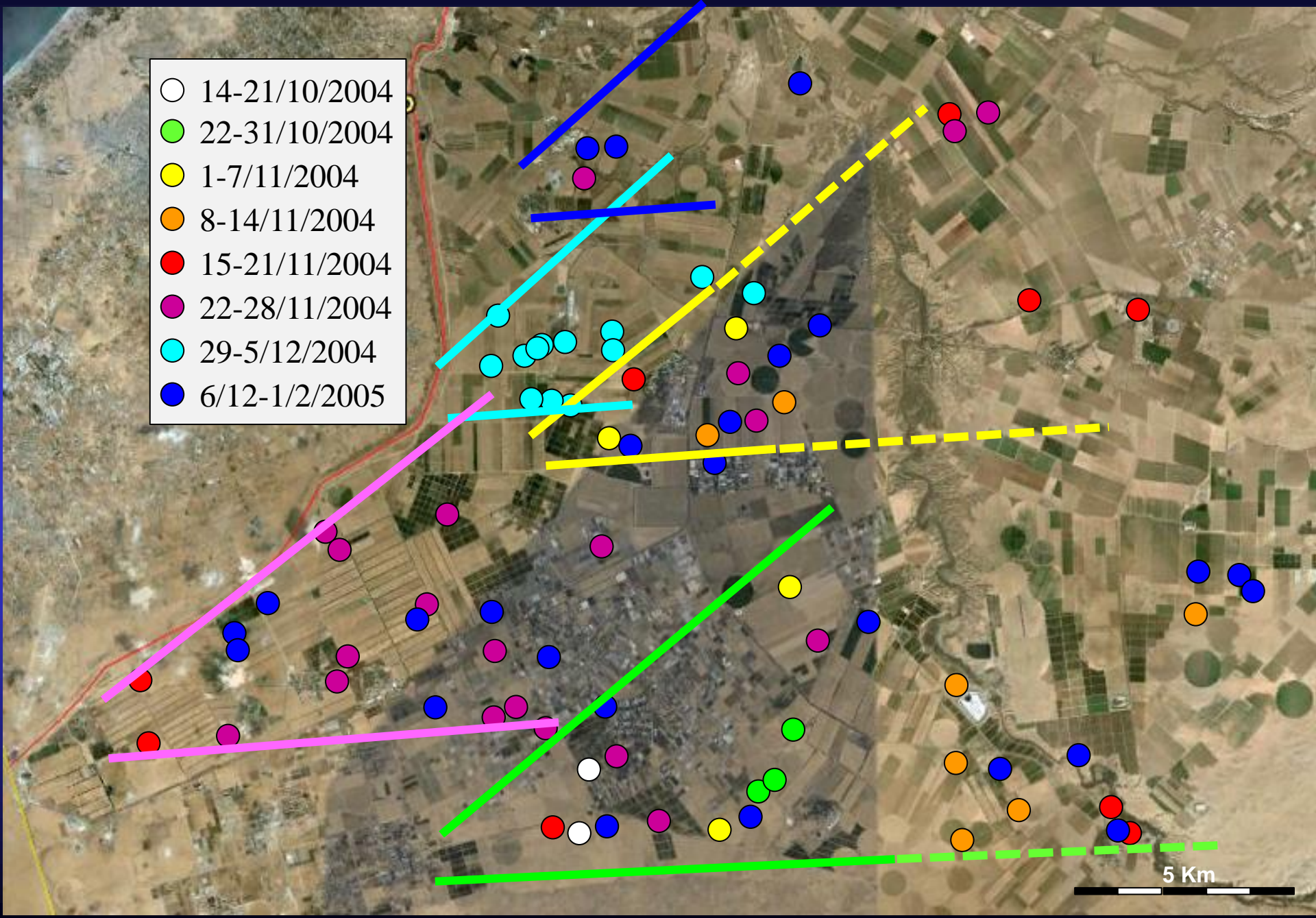
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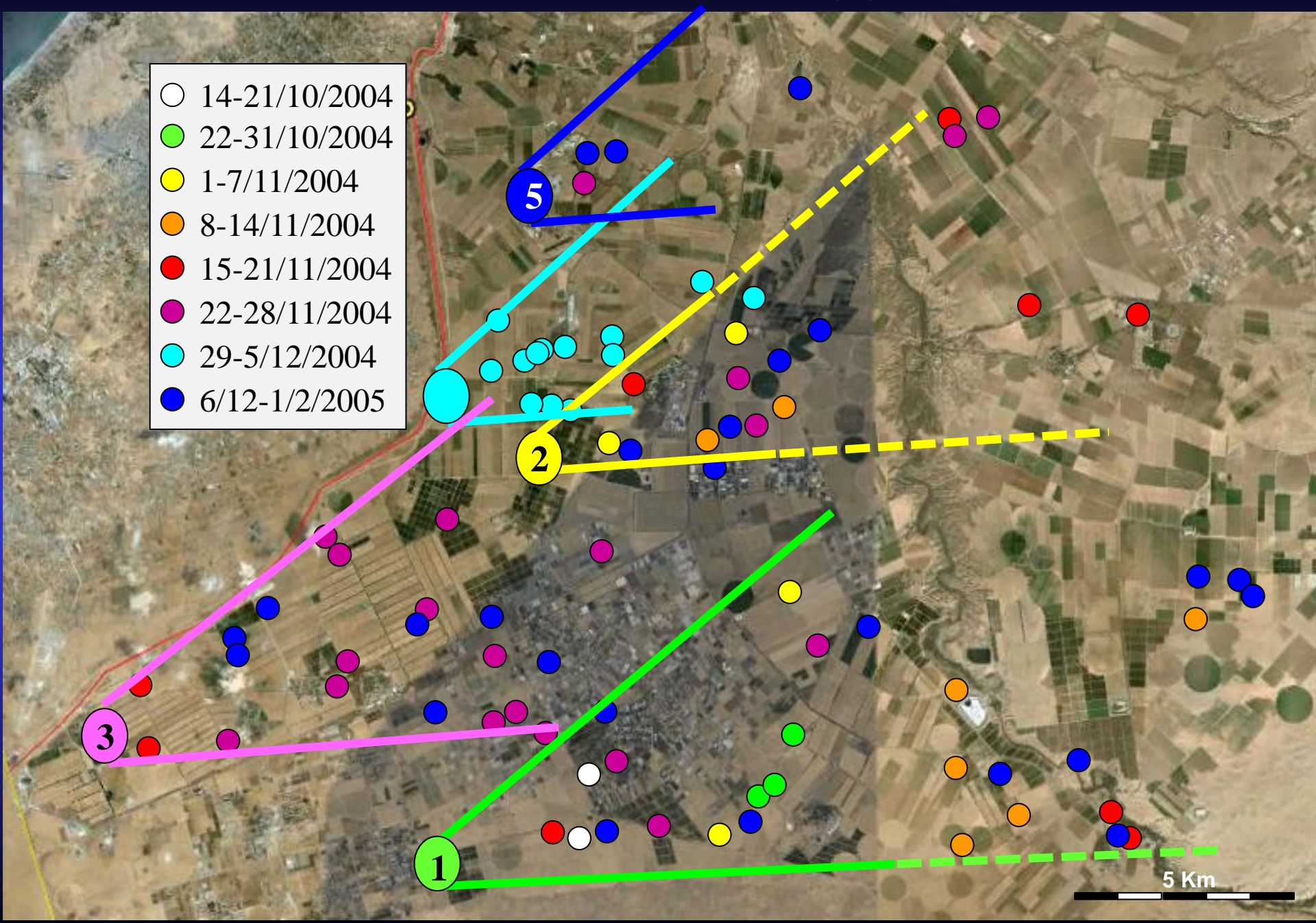
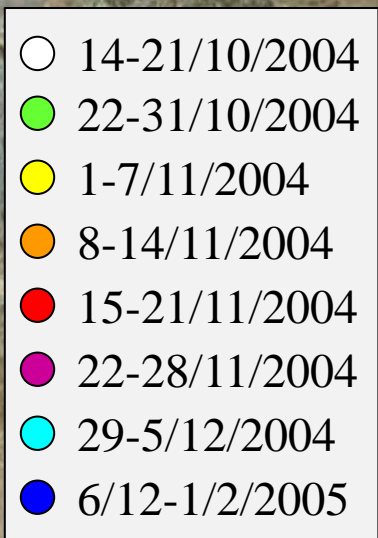
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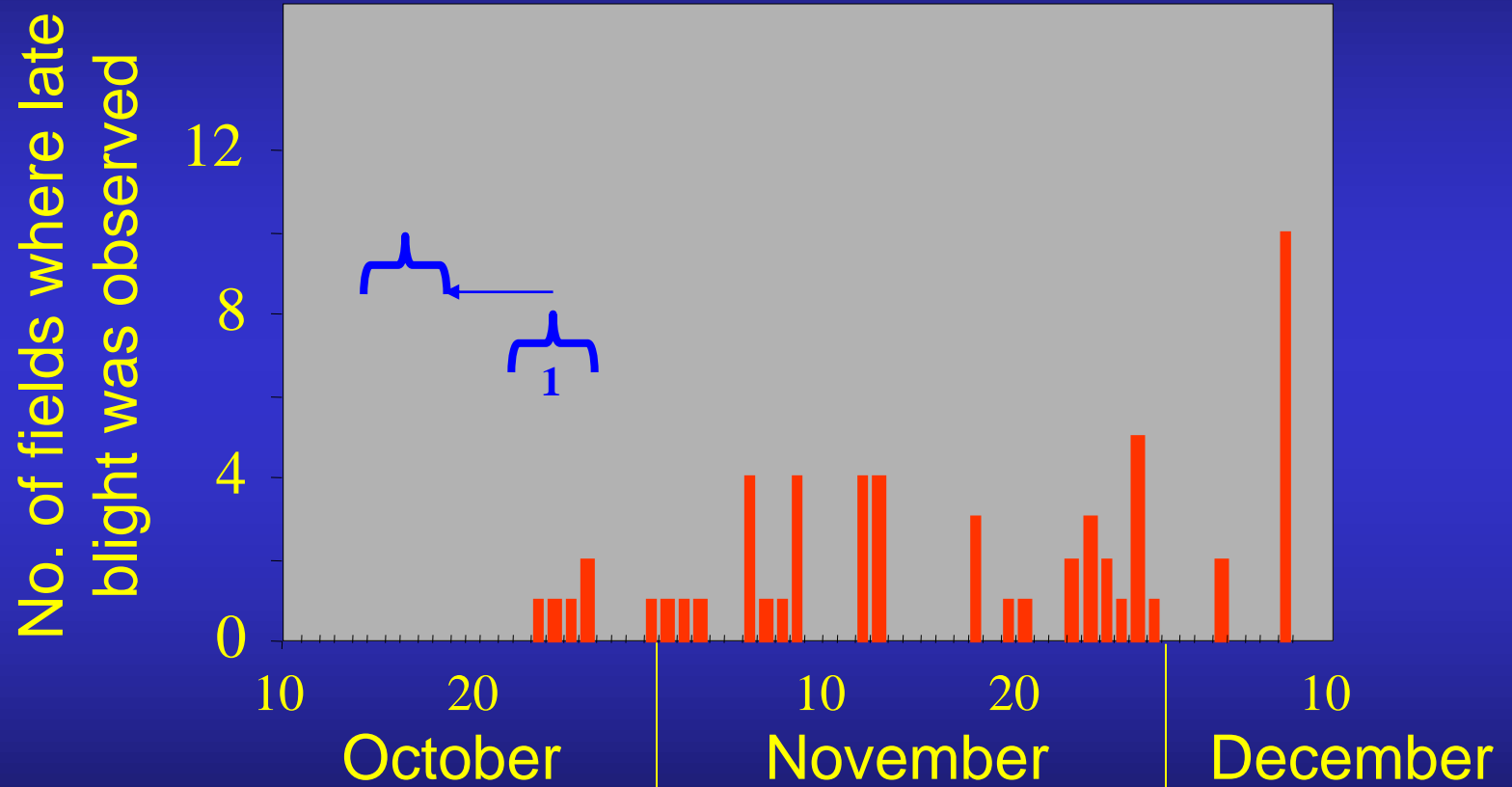


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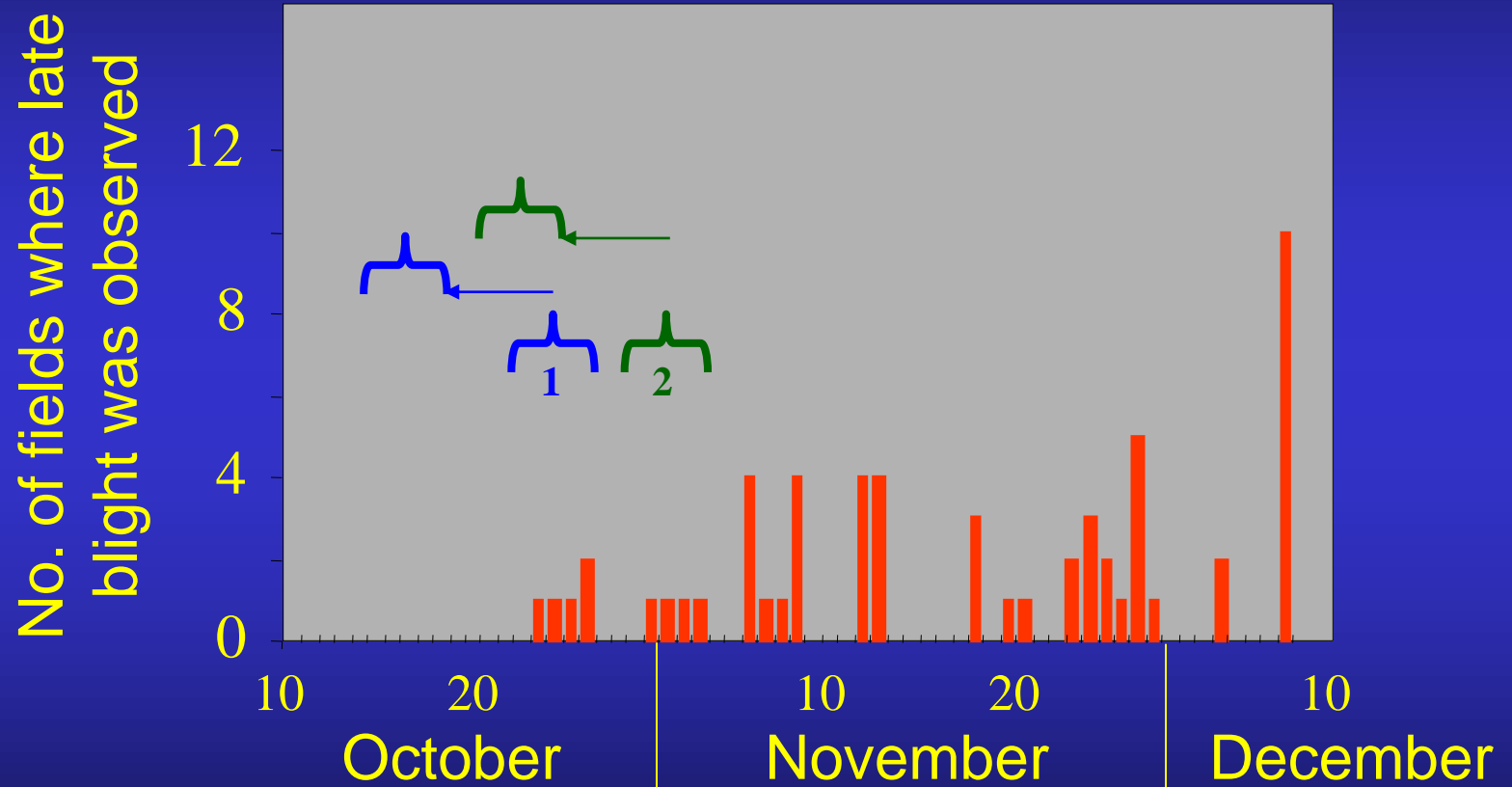
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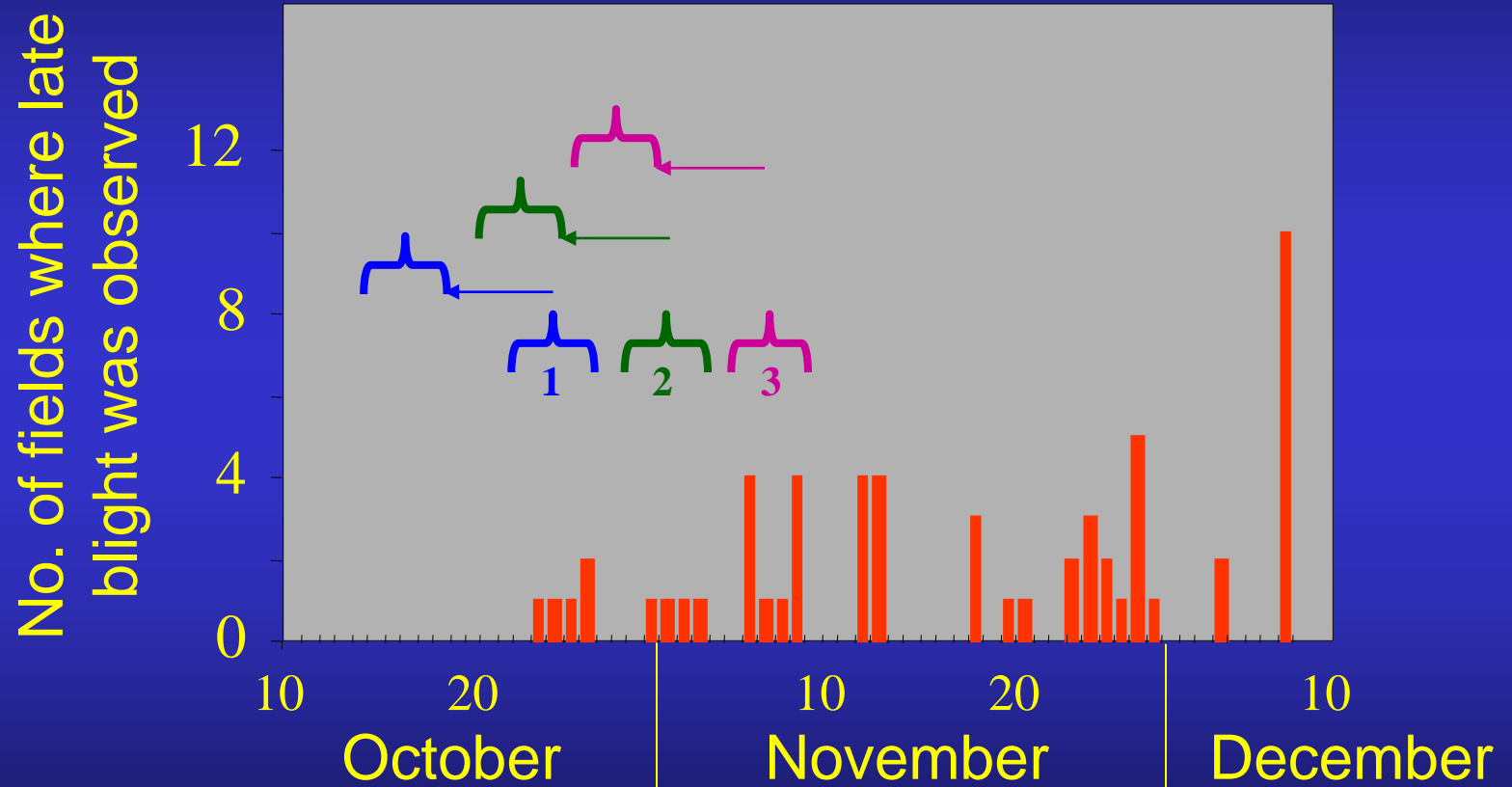
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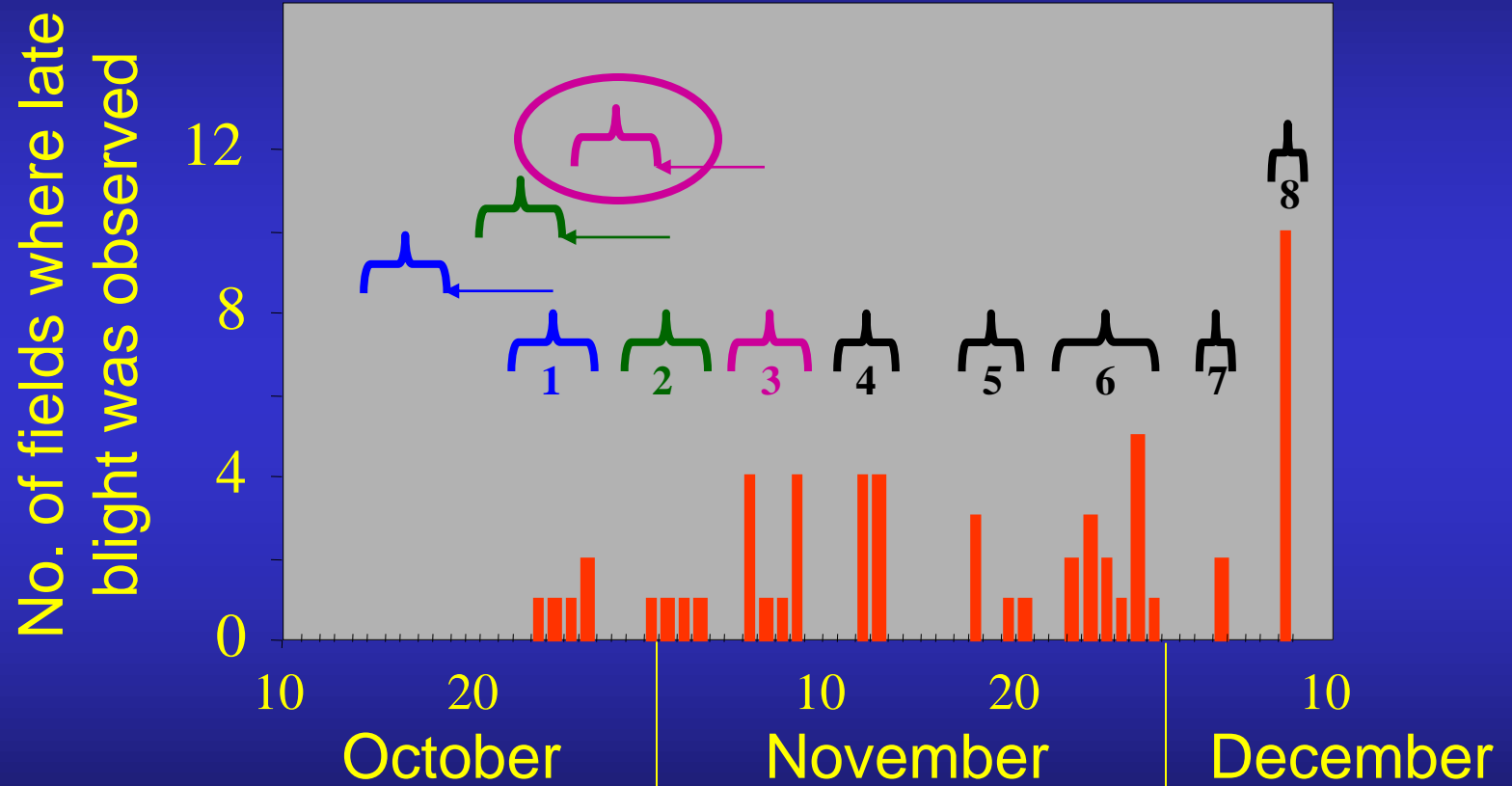
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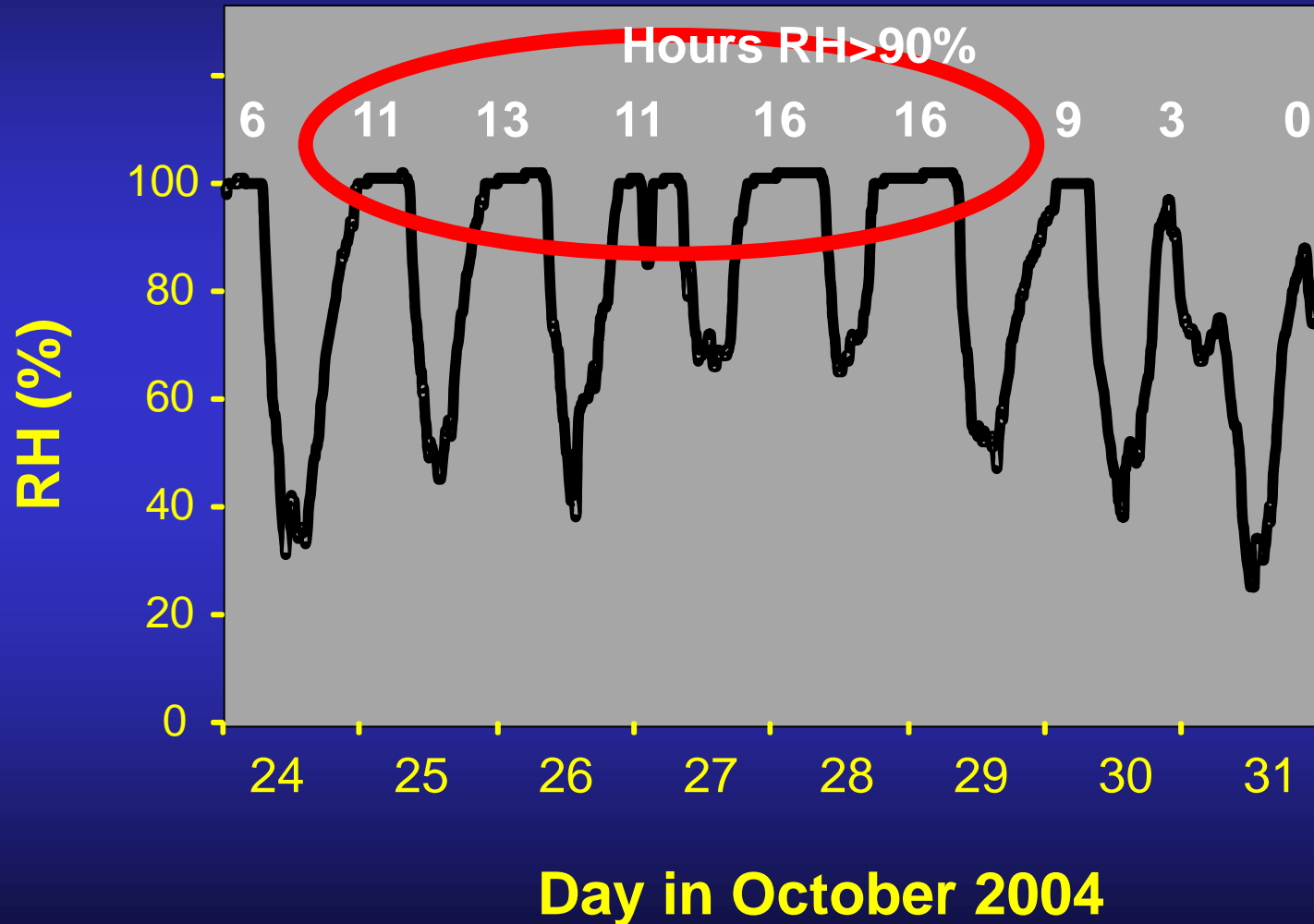
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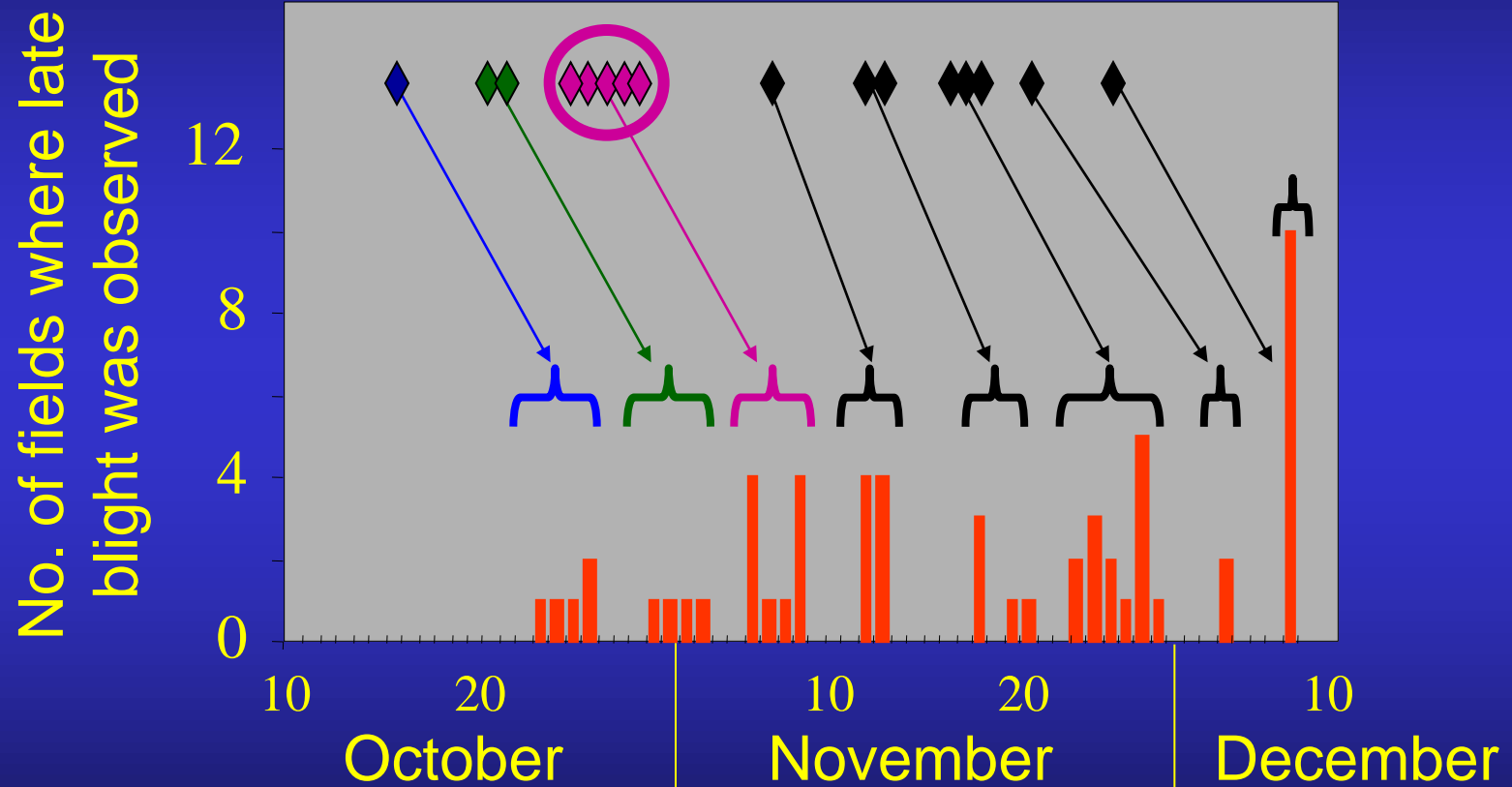
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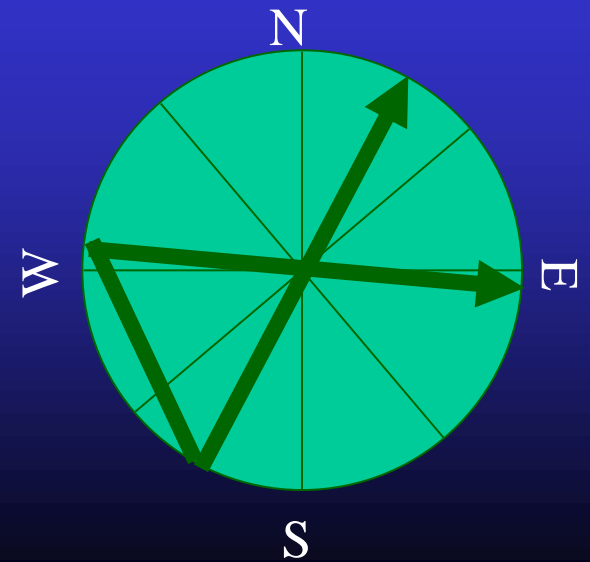
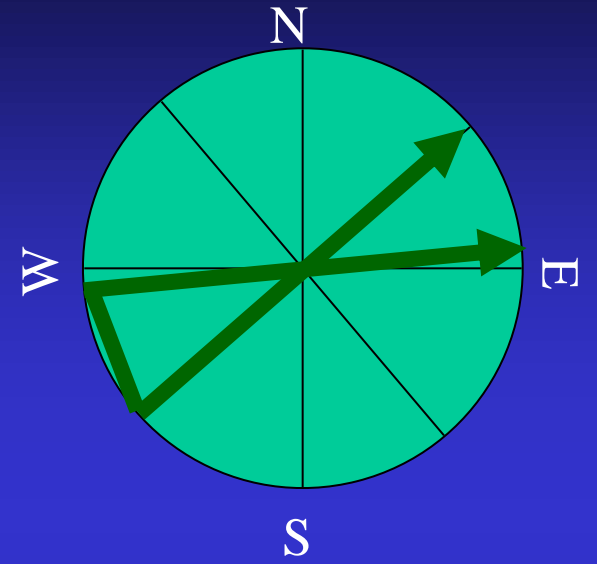
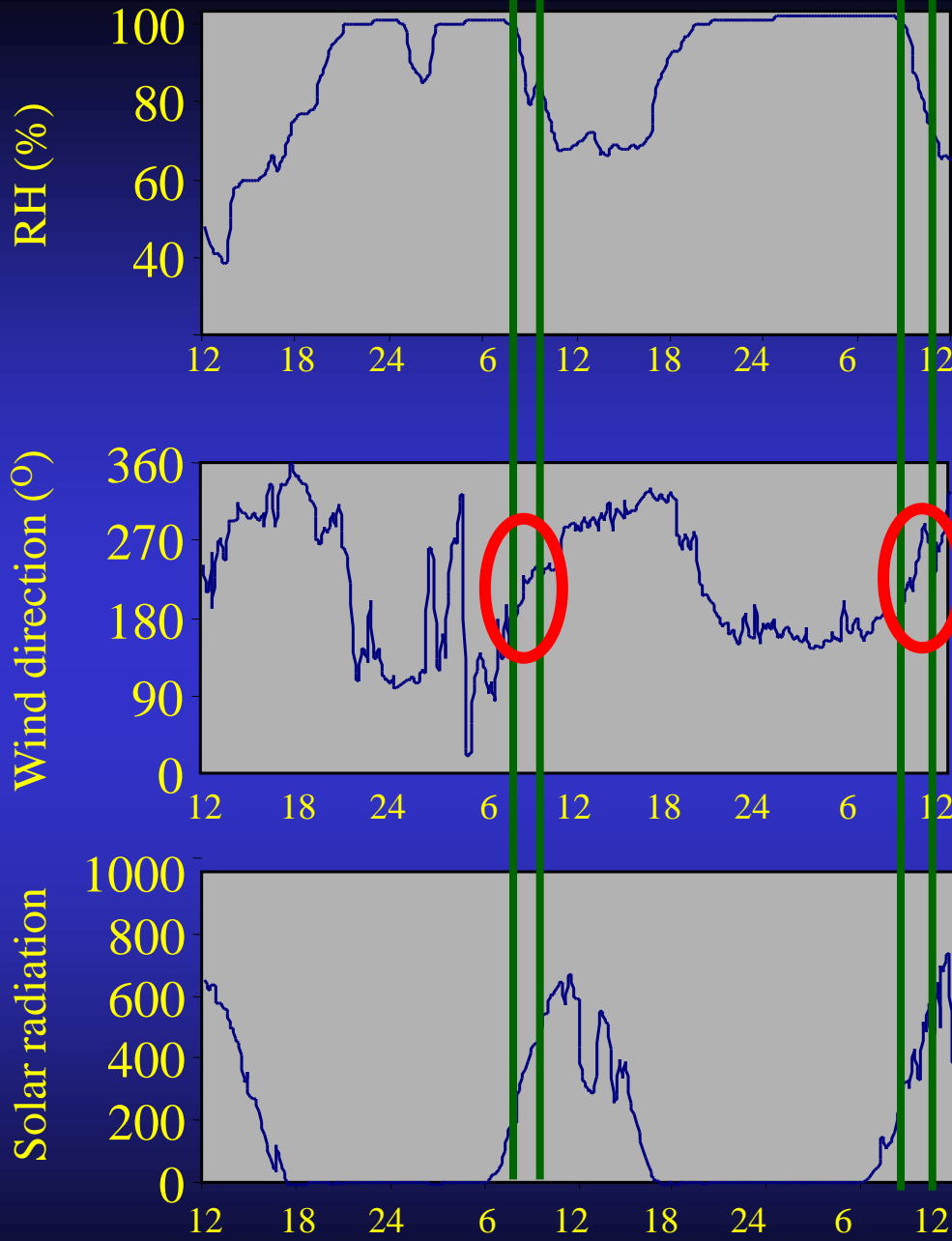
Occurrence of infection event # 3



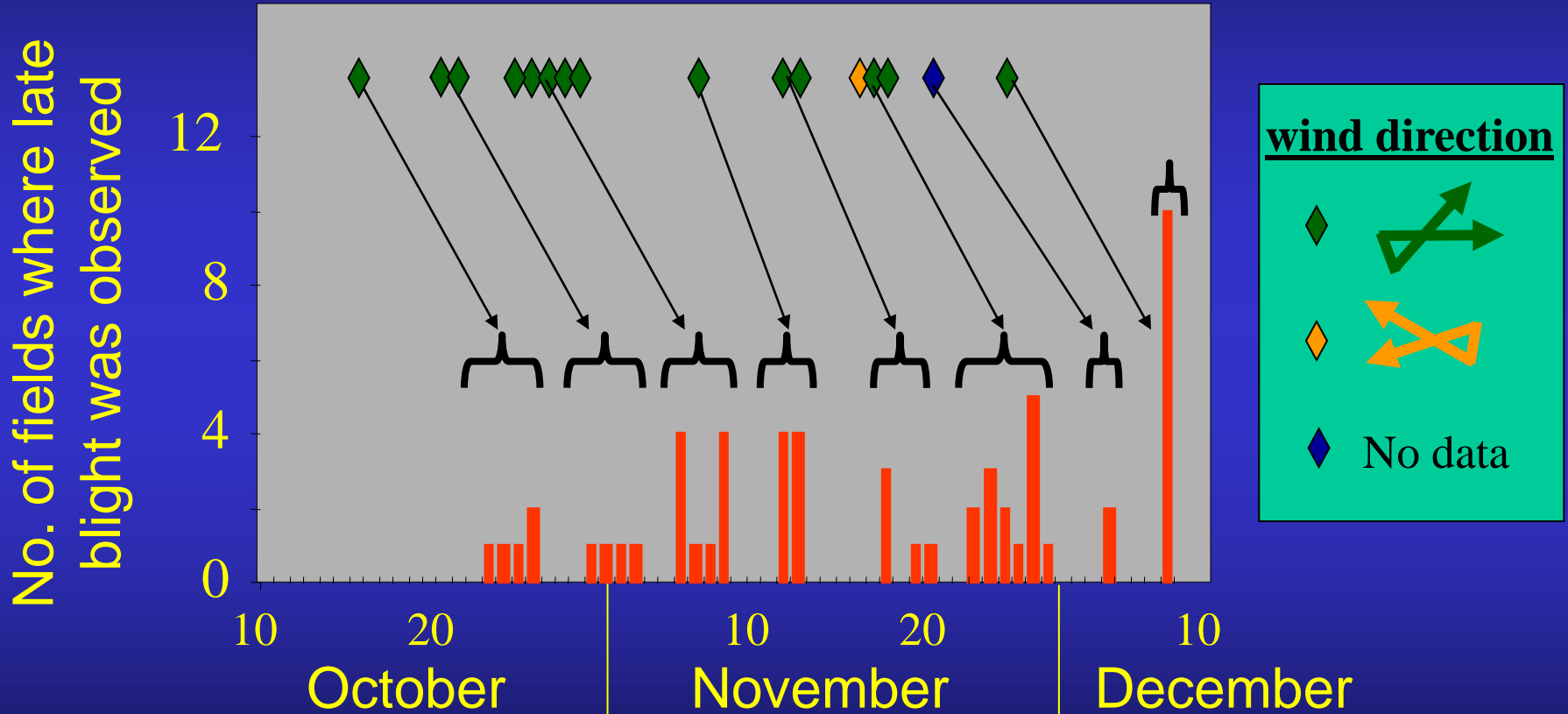
Time of late blight detection and infection



Wind direction when the plants were drying

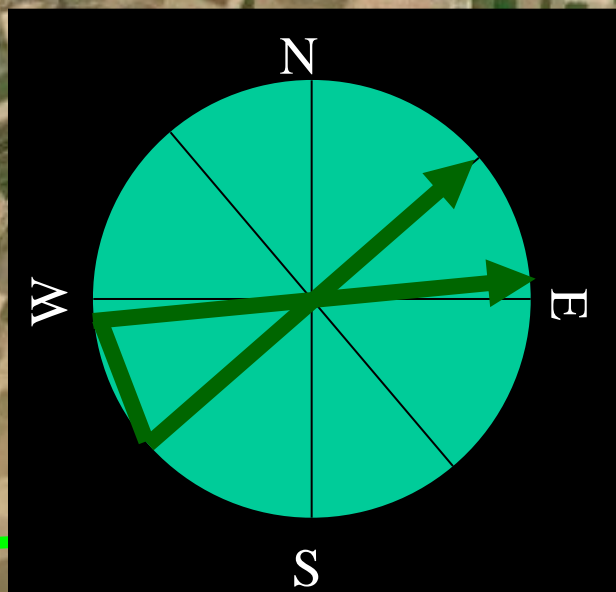
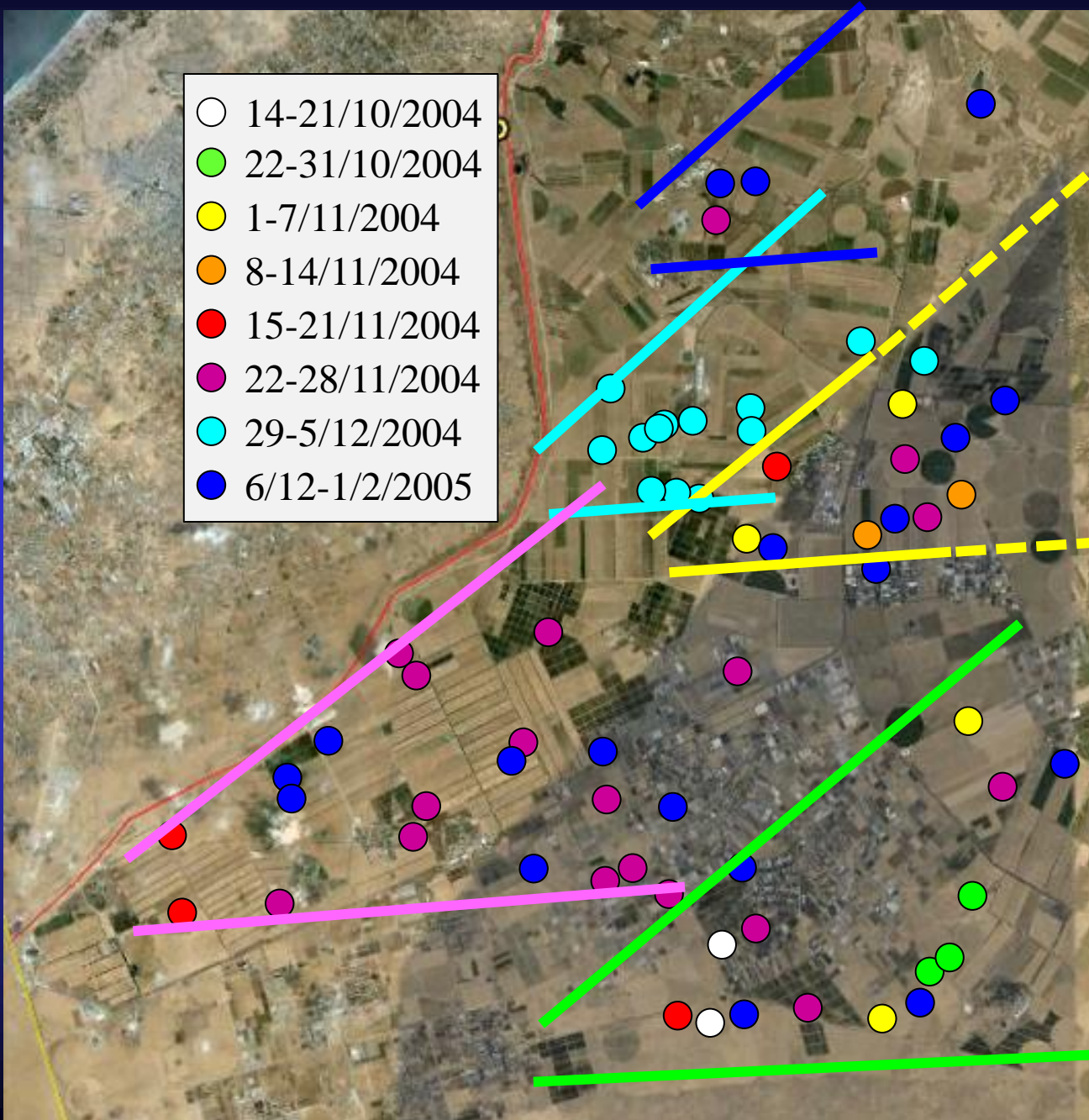


Wind direction when the plants were drying at the infection dates in autumn 2004-5



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Autumn season 2005-6



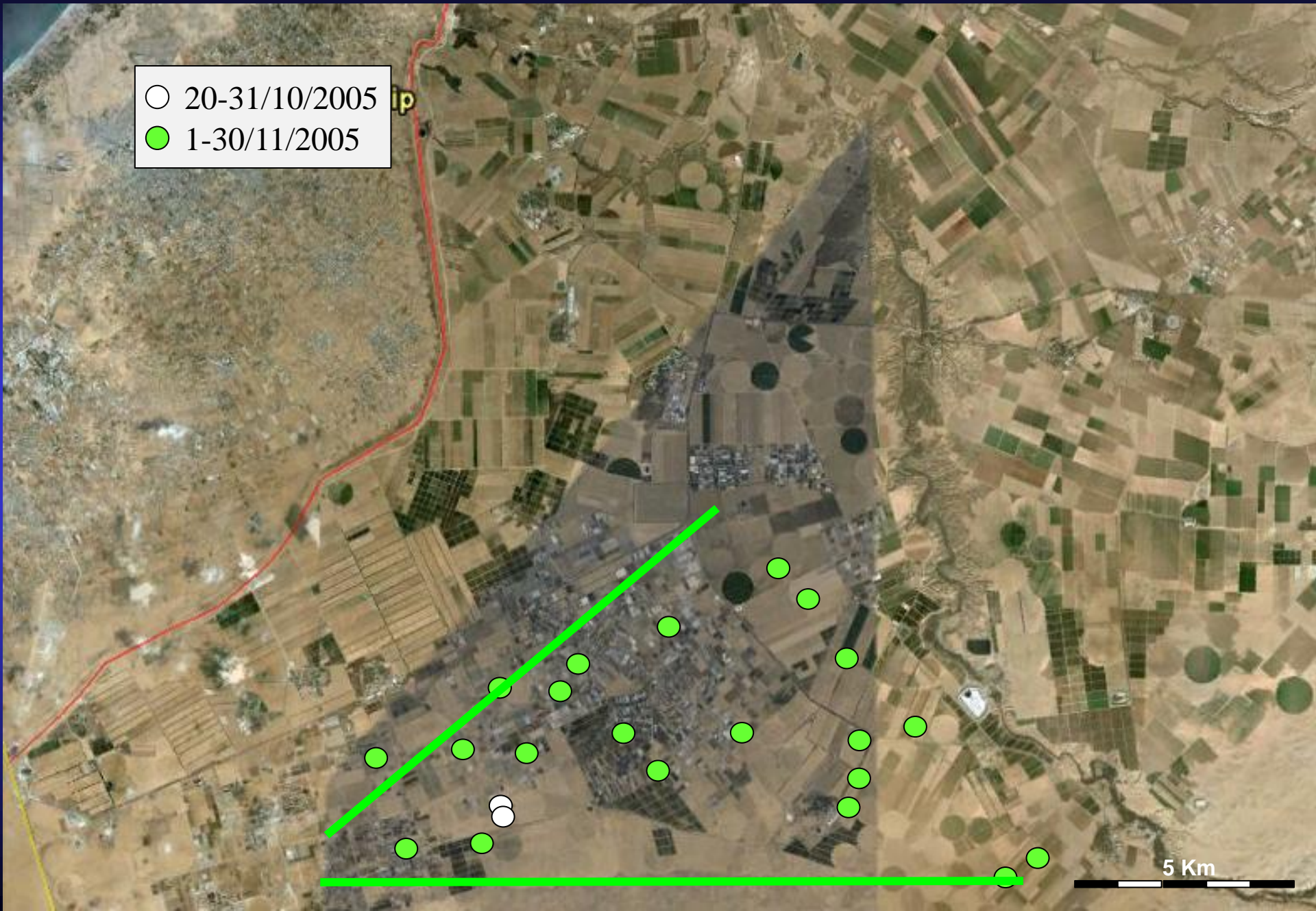
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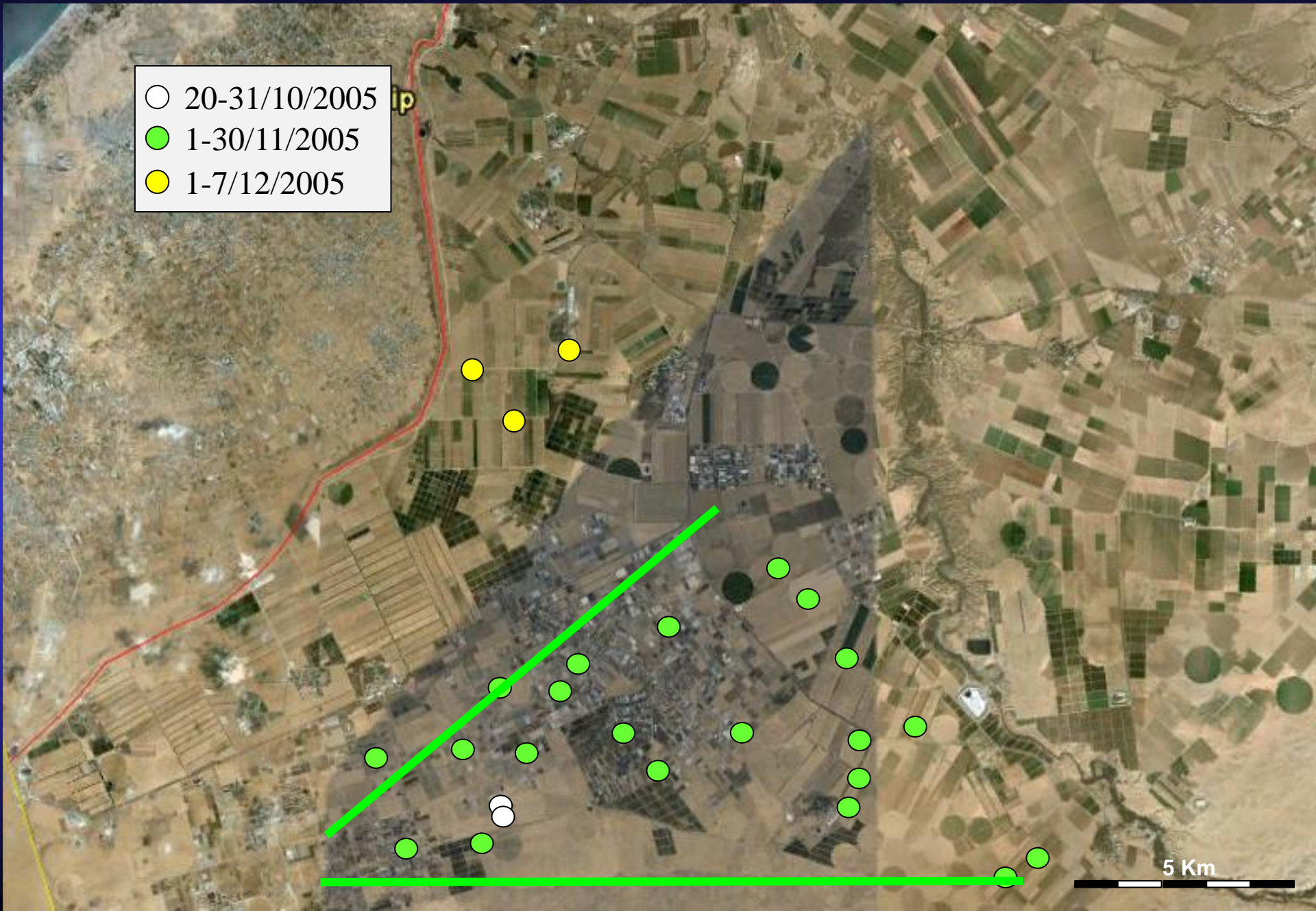
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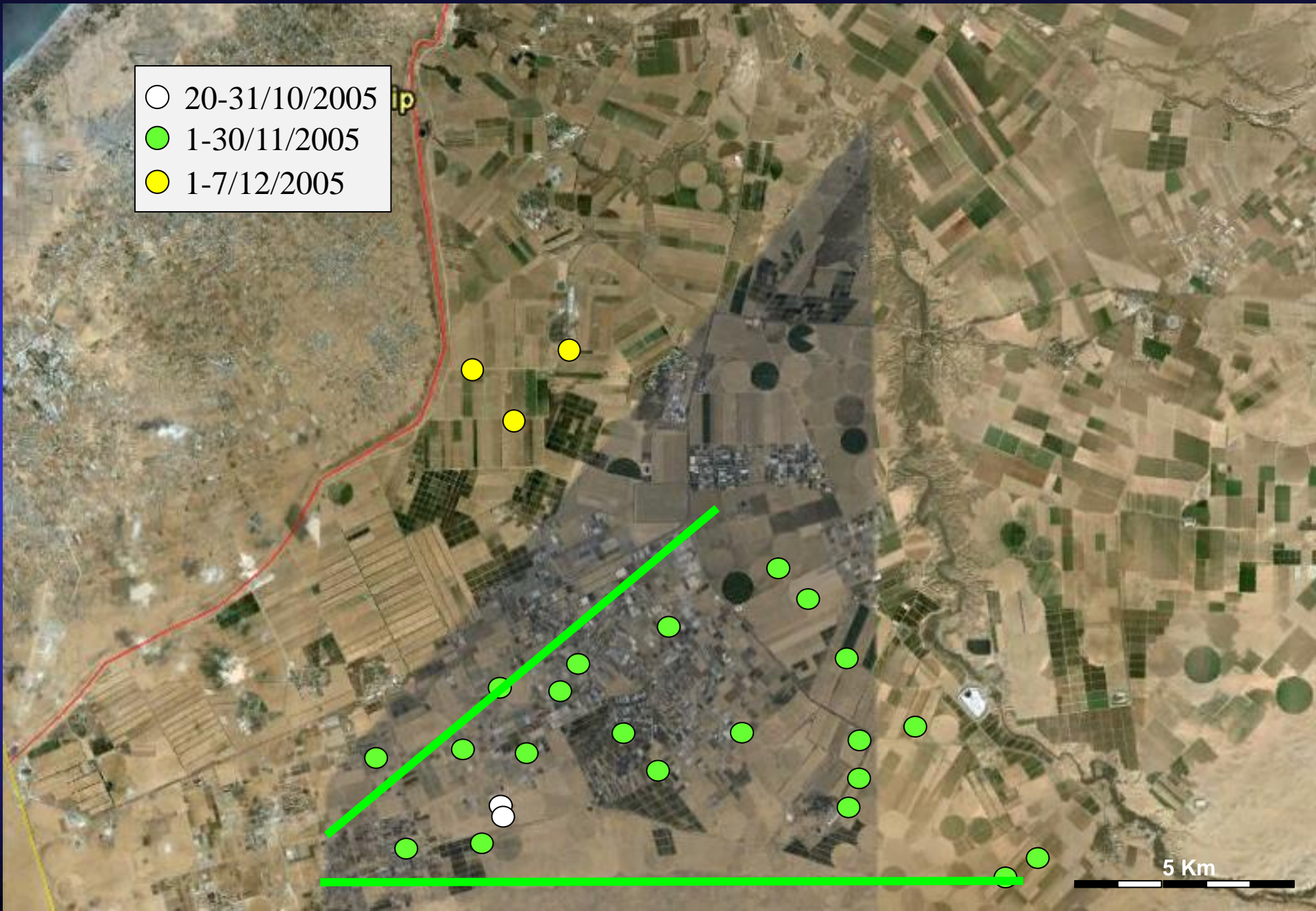
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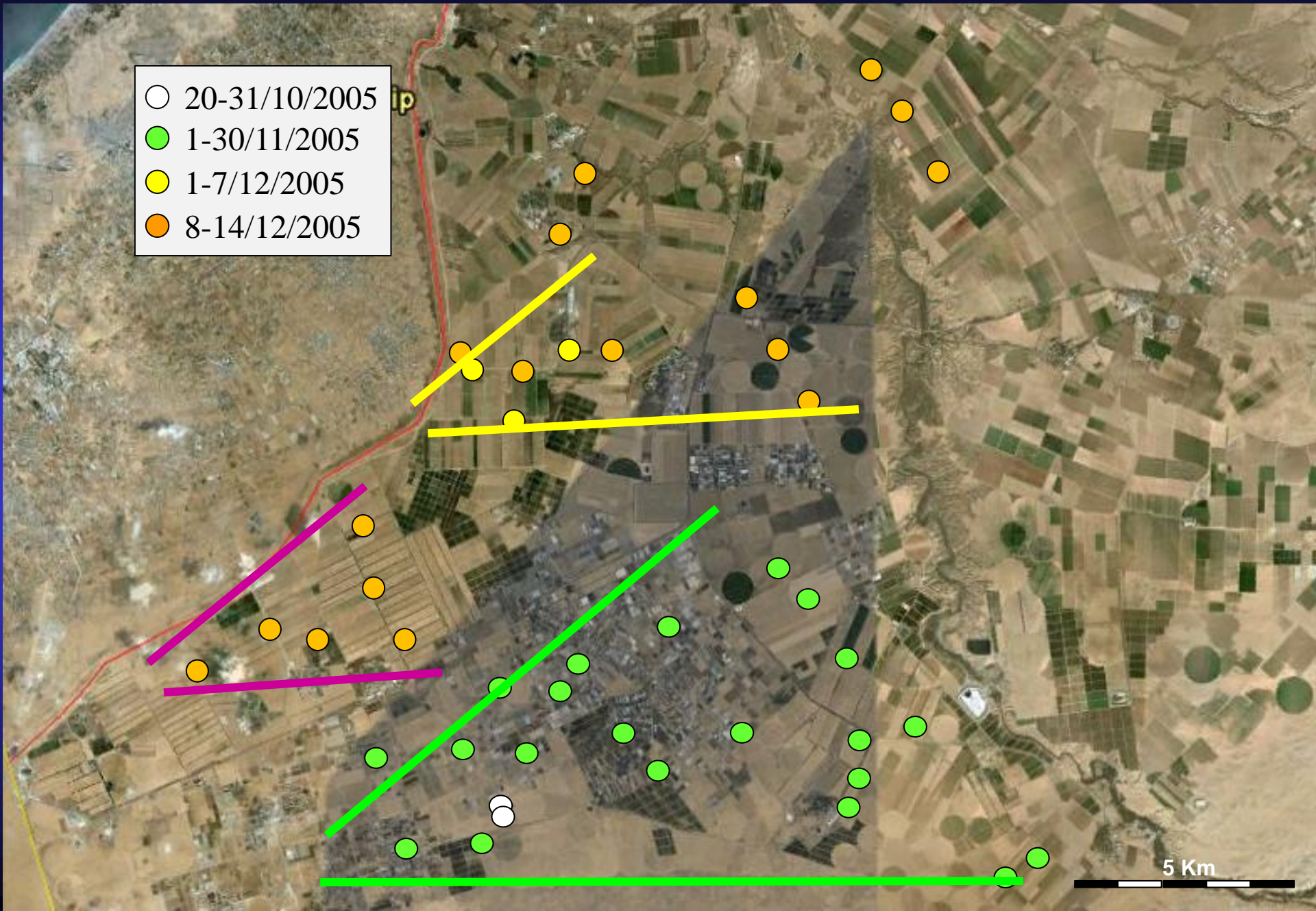
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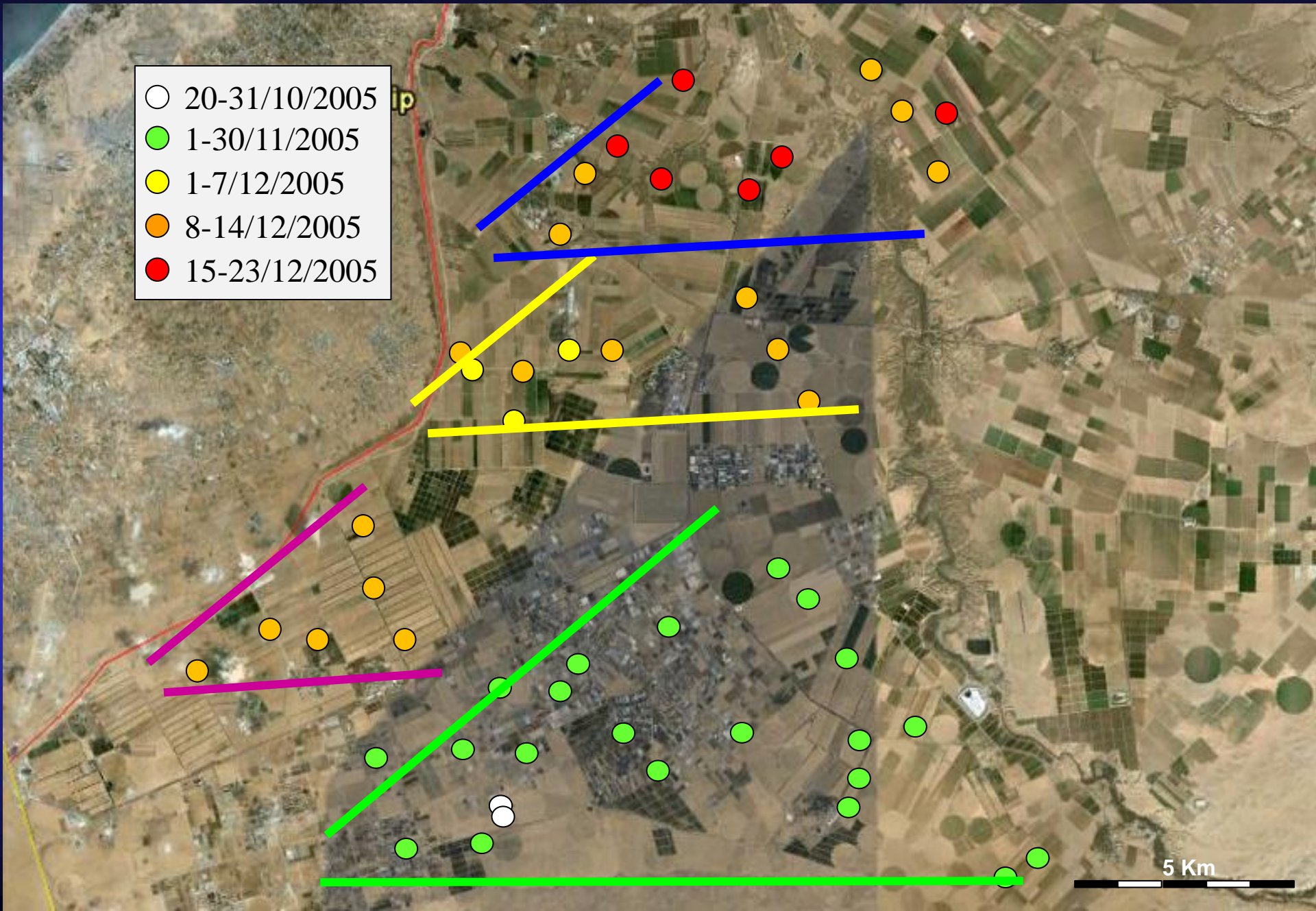
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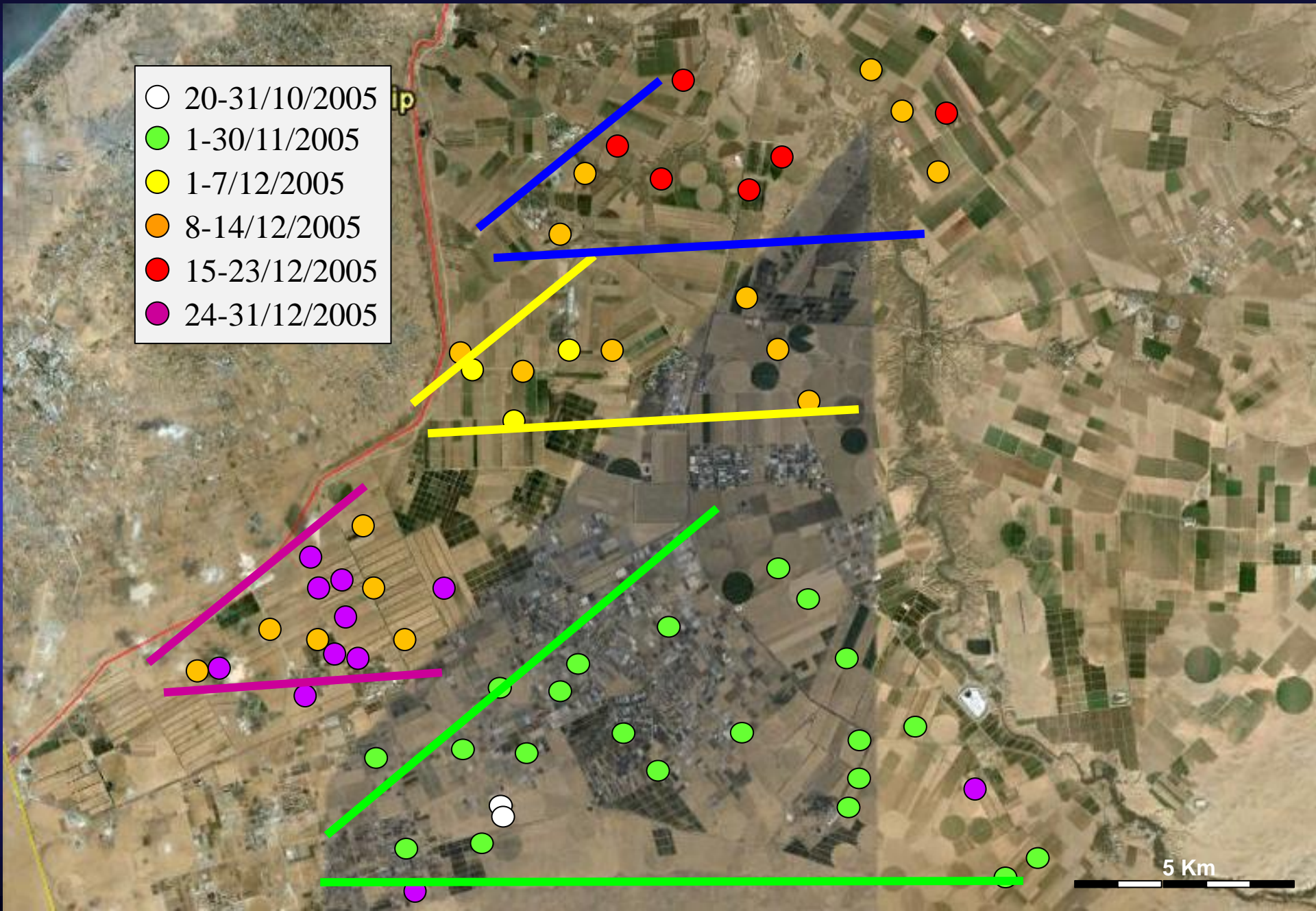
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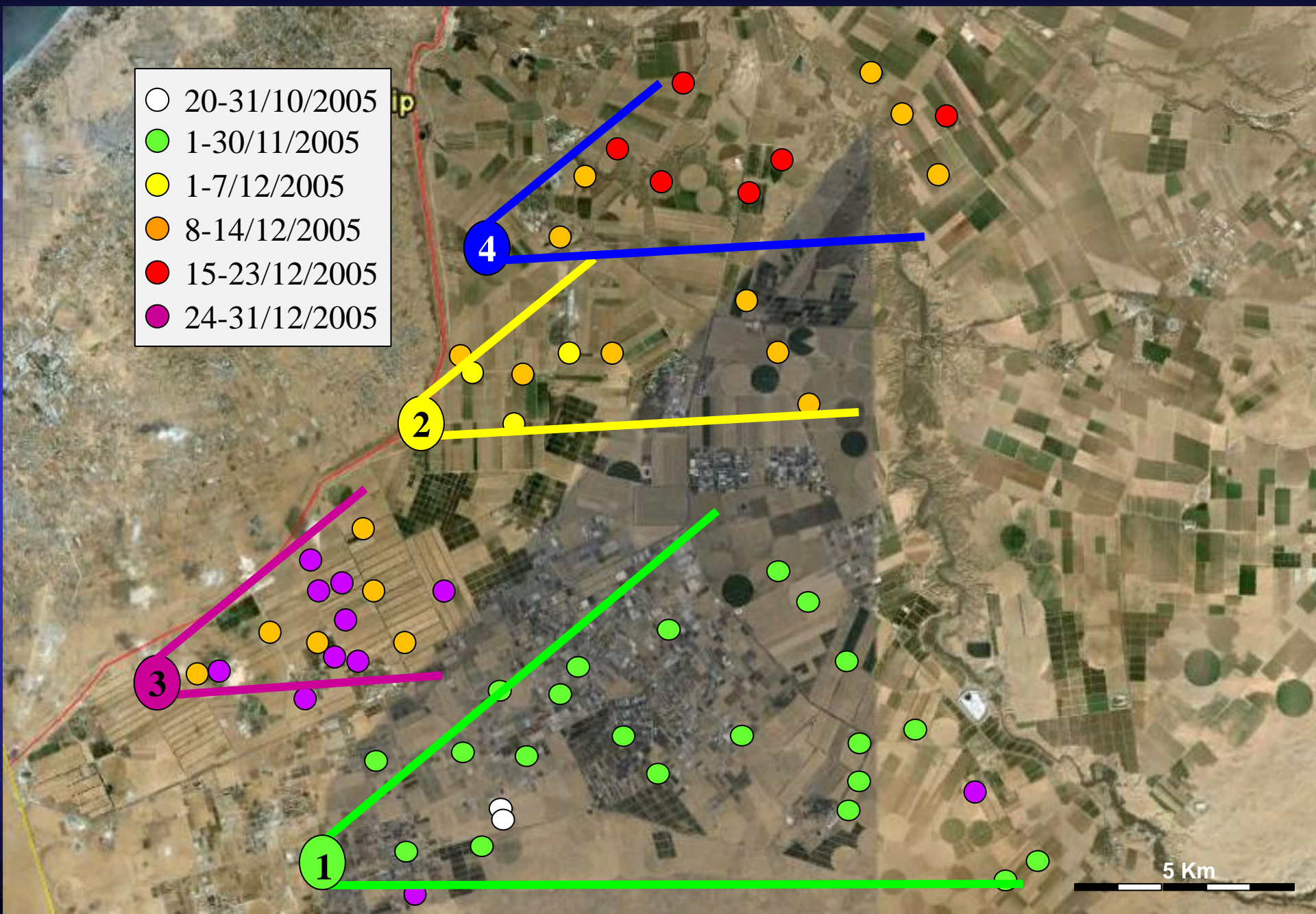
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Autumn seasons 2006-7 and 2007-8

Pilot program

**Static maps updated twice a week
sent by e-mail to growers**

Autumn season 2007-8

7/11/2007



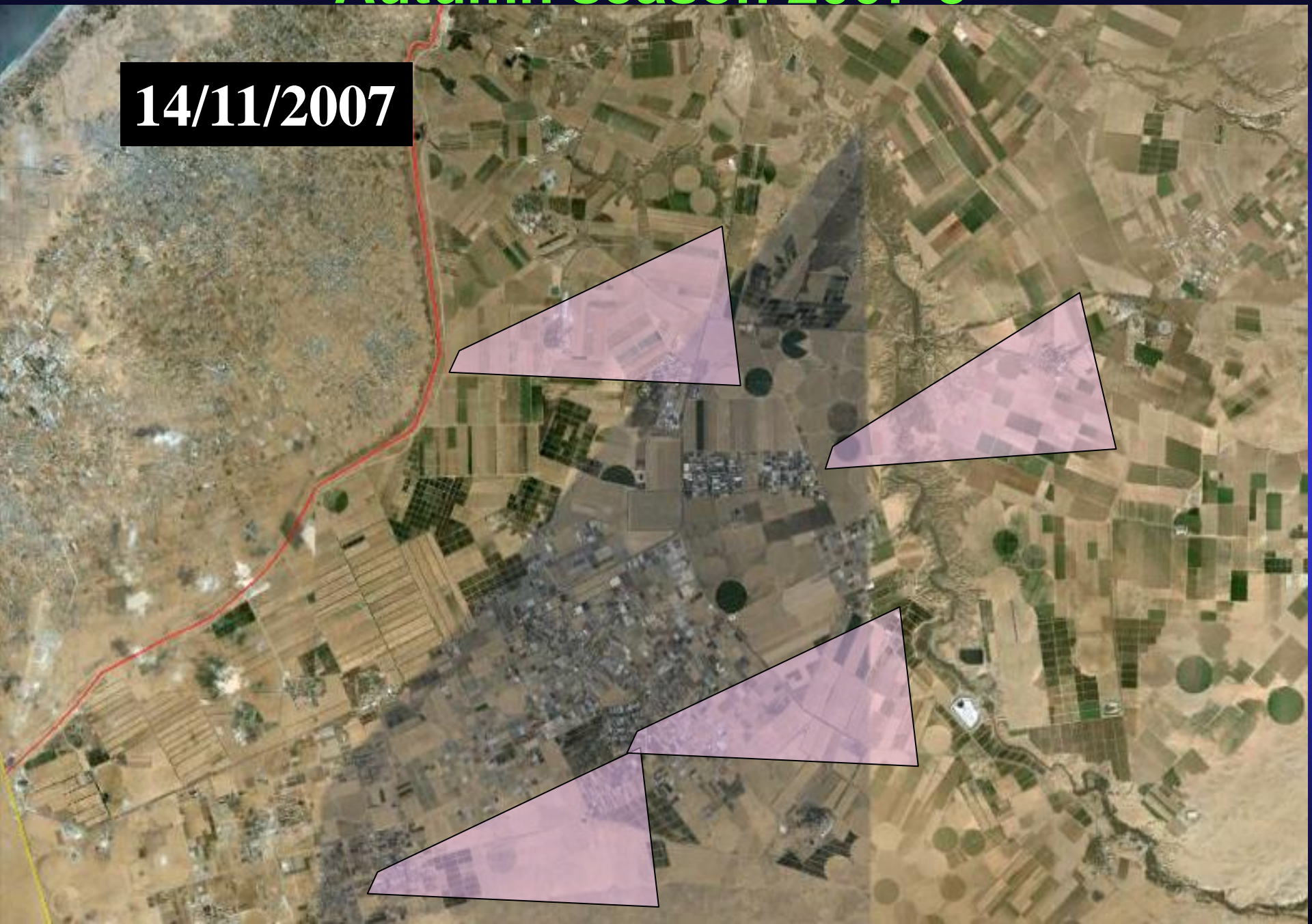
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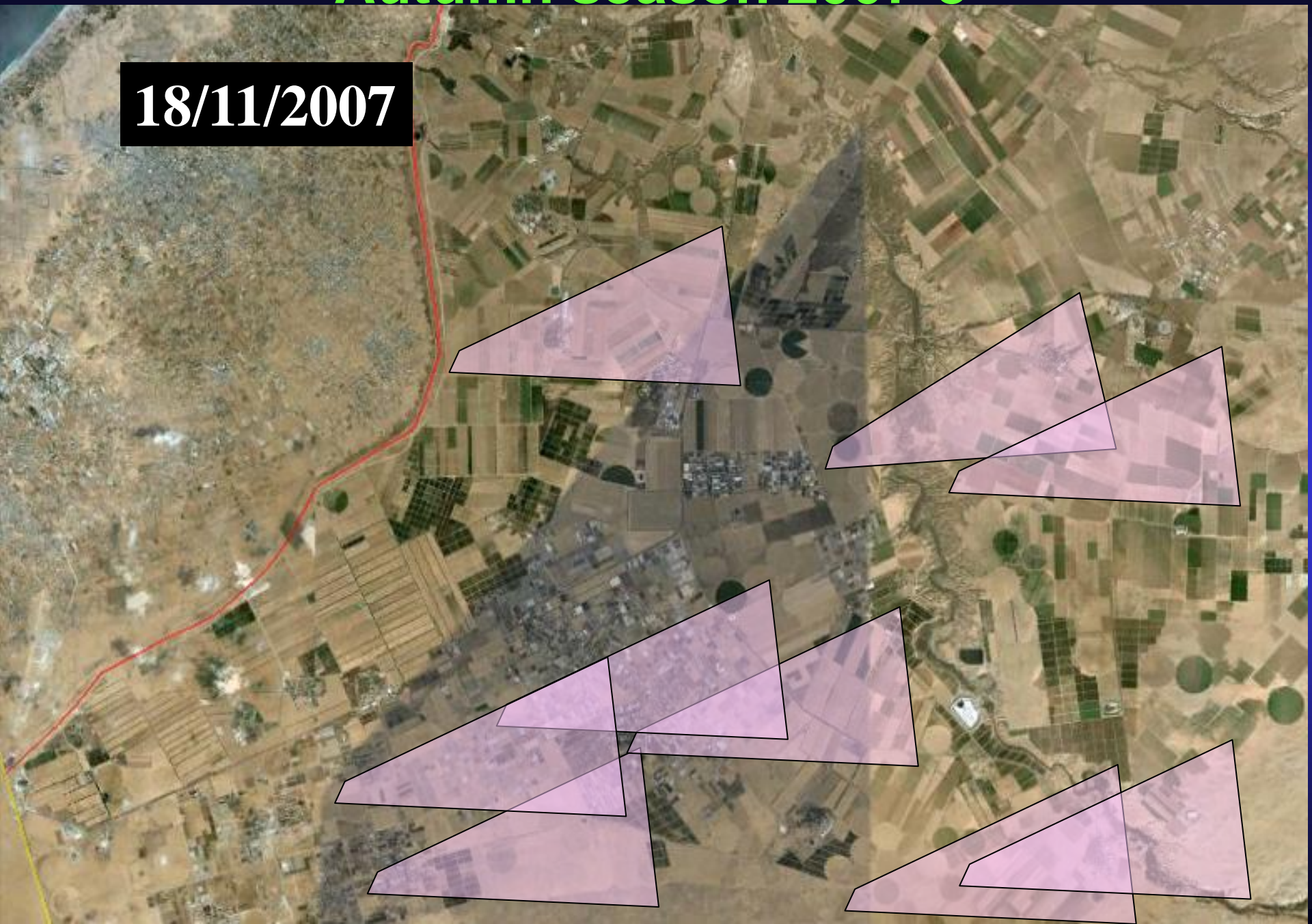
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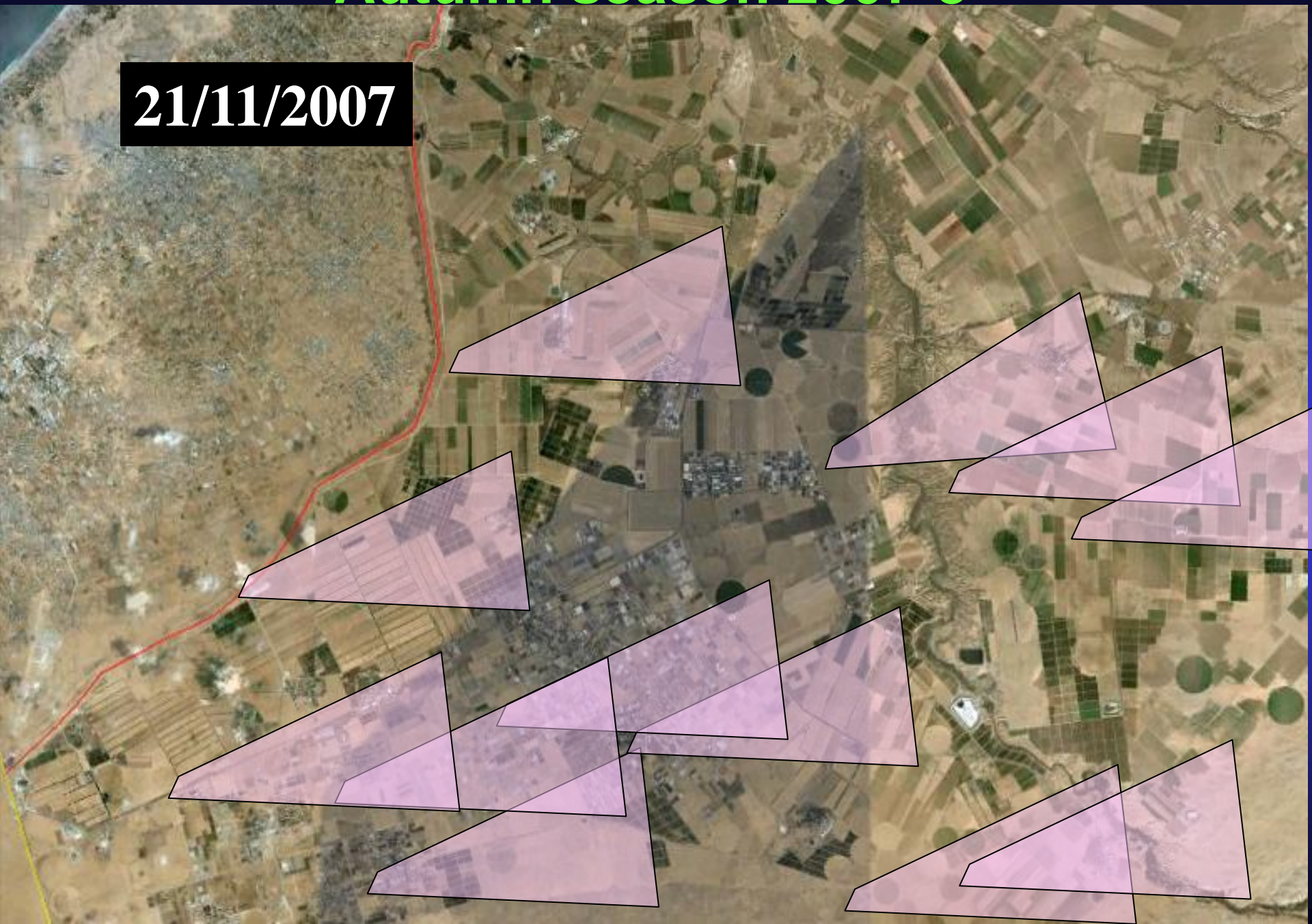
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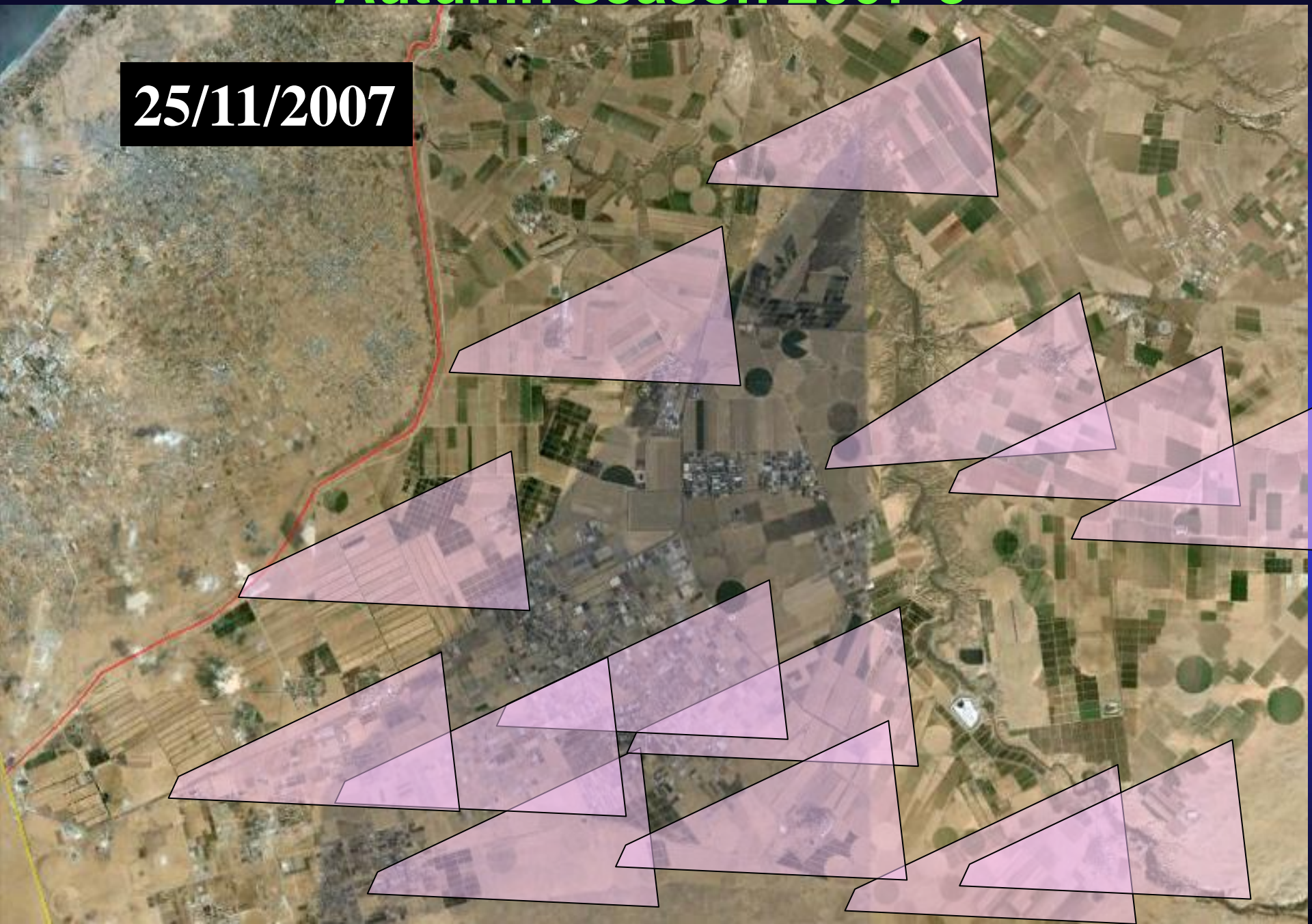
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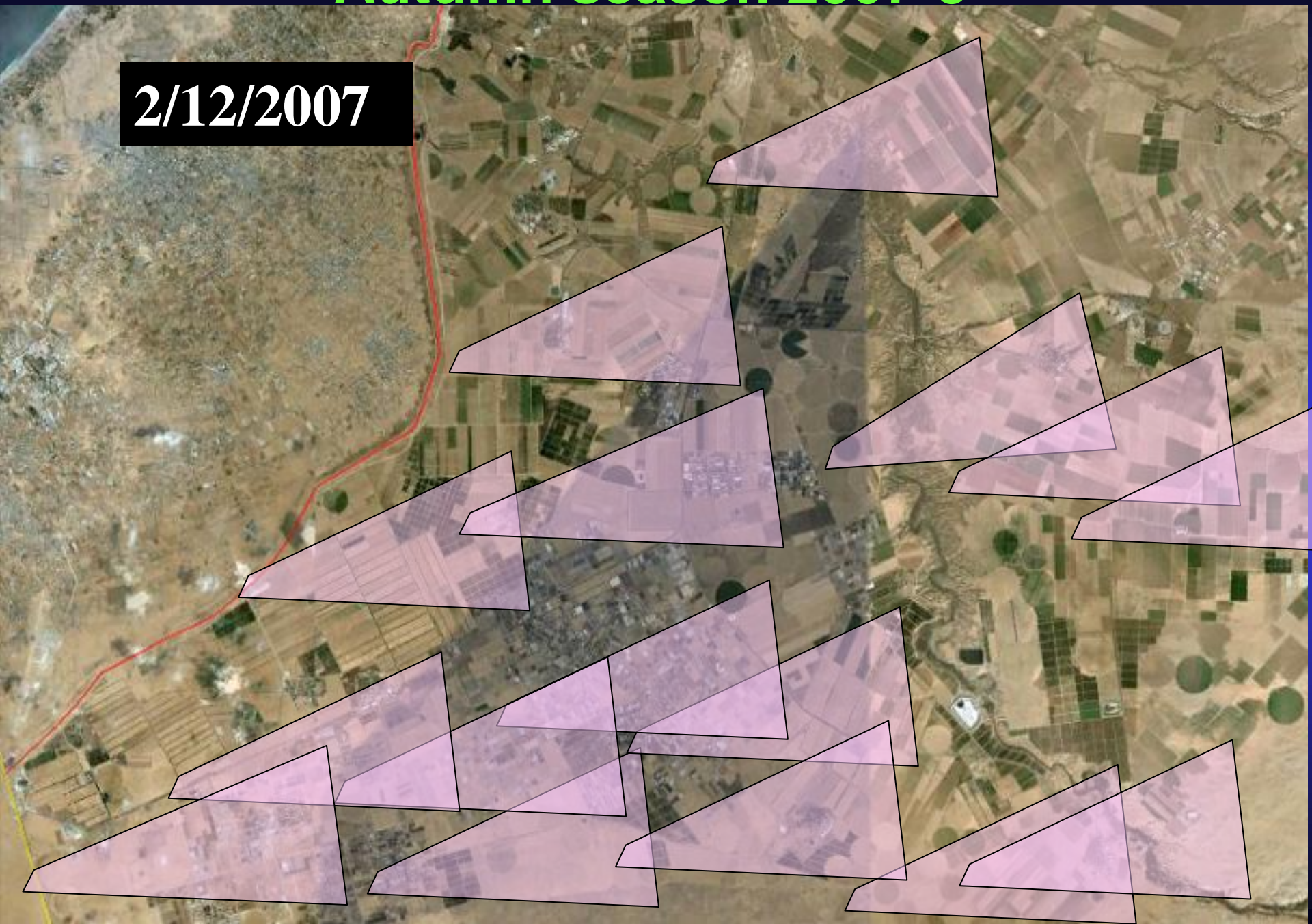
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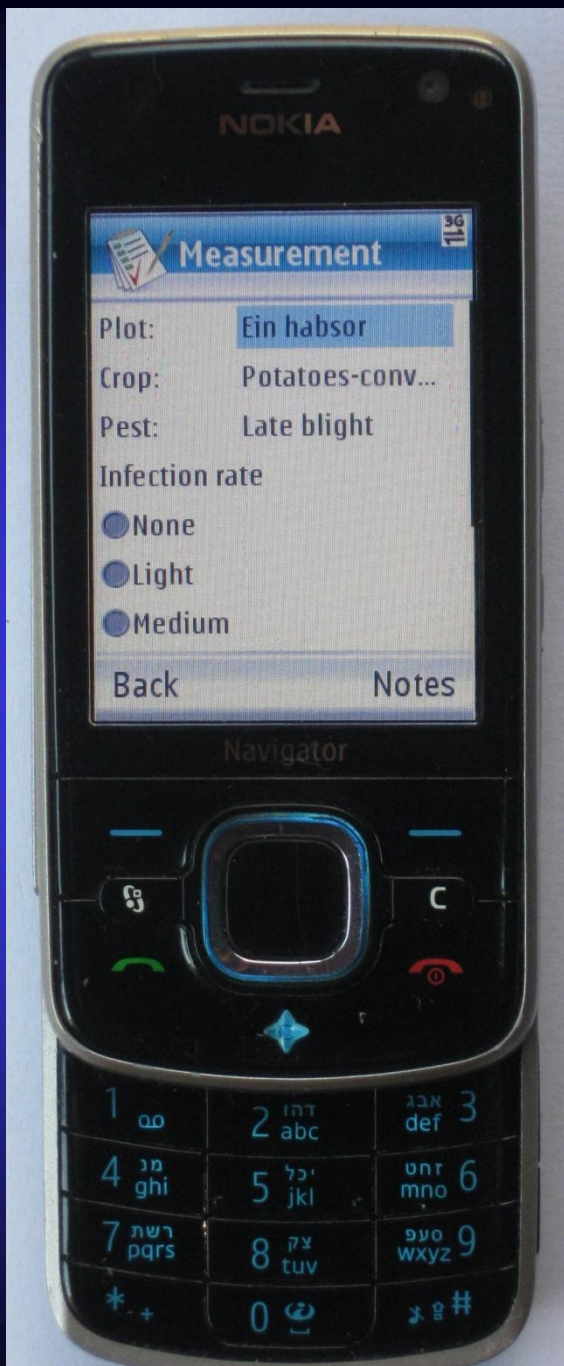


Autumn season 2010-11

Web-based site

**Interactive maps updated daily
available on-line**

www.pest-scout.co.il



Measurement 3.5G

Plot: Ein habsor

Crop: Potatoes-conv...

Pest: Late blight

Infection rate

None

Light

Medium

Heavy

Infection vitality

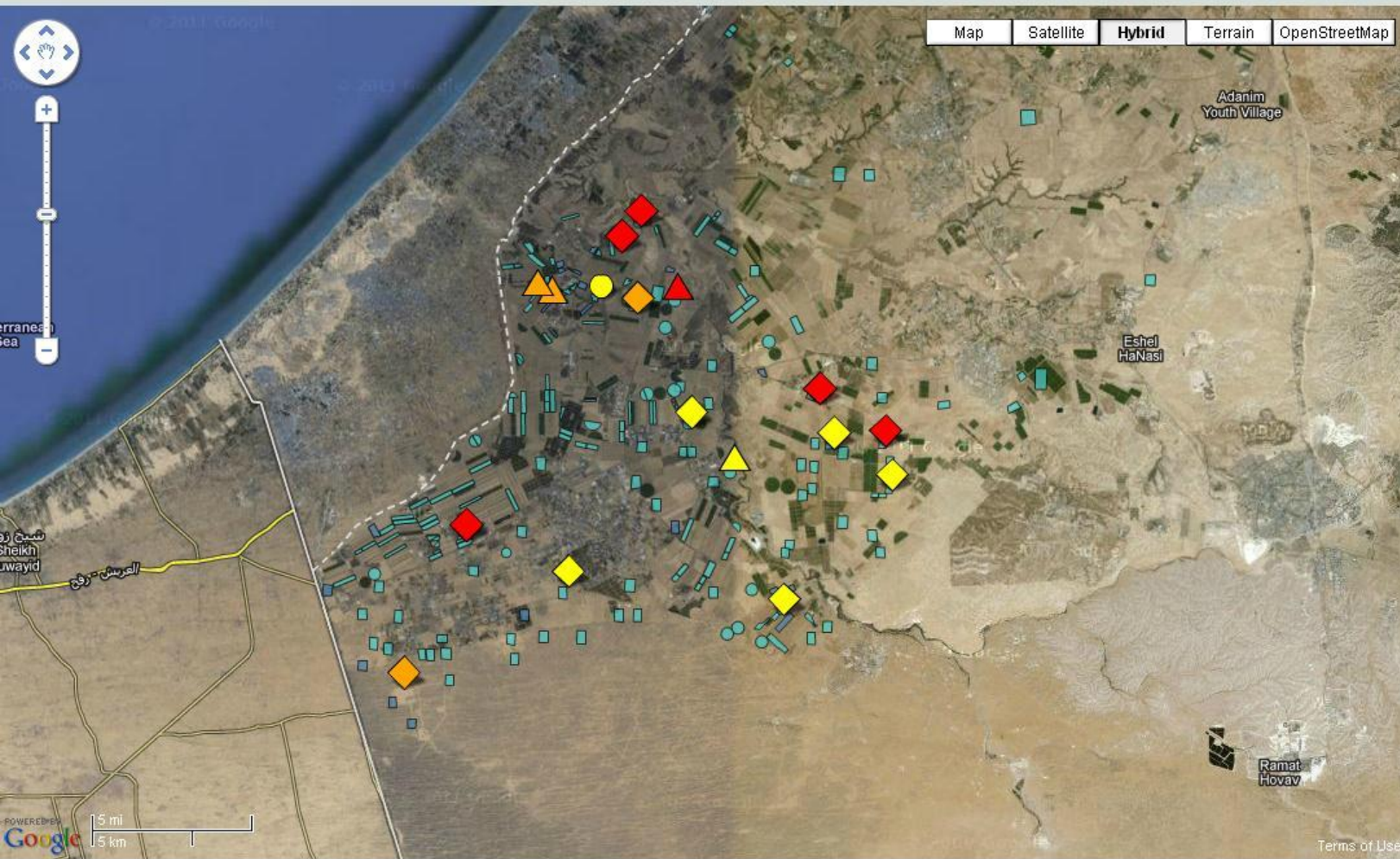
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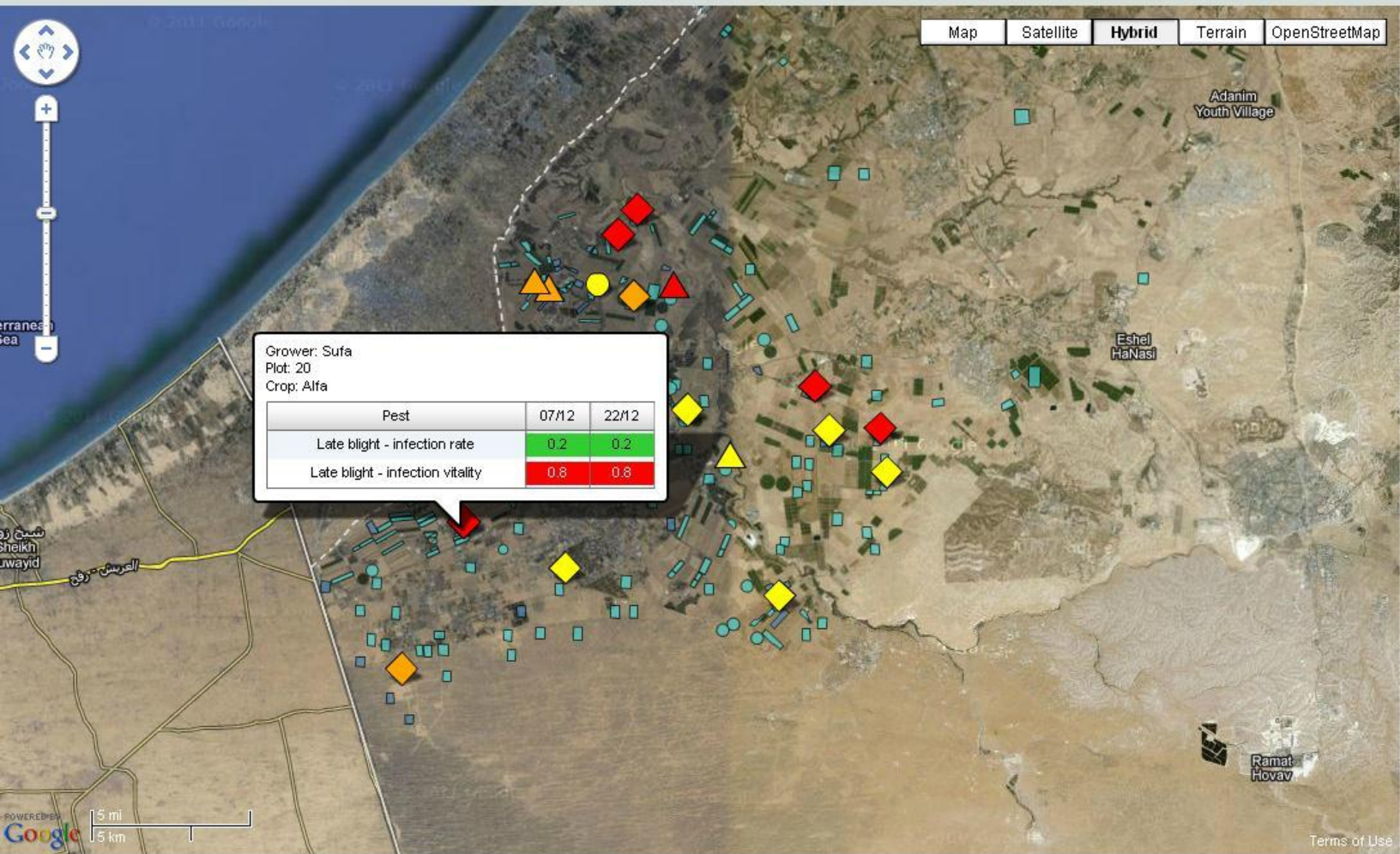


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Map Satellite Hybrid Terrain OpenStreetMap



Grower: Sufa
Plot: 20
Crop: Alfa

Pest	07/12	22/12
Late blight - infection rate	0.2	0.2
Late blight - infection vitality	0.8	0.8

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Pest Measurements

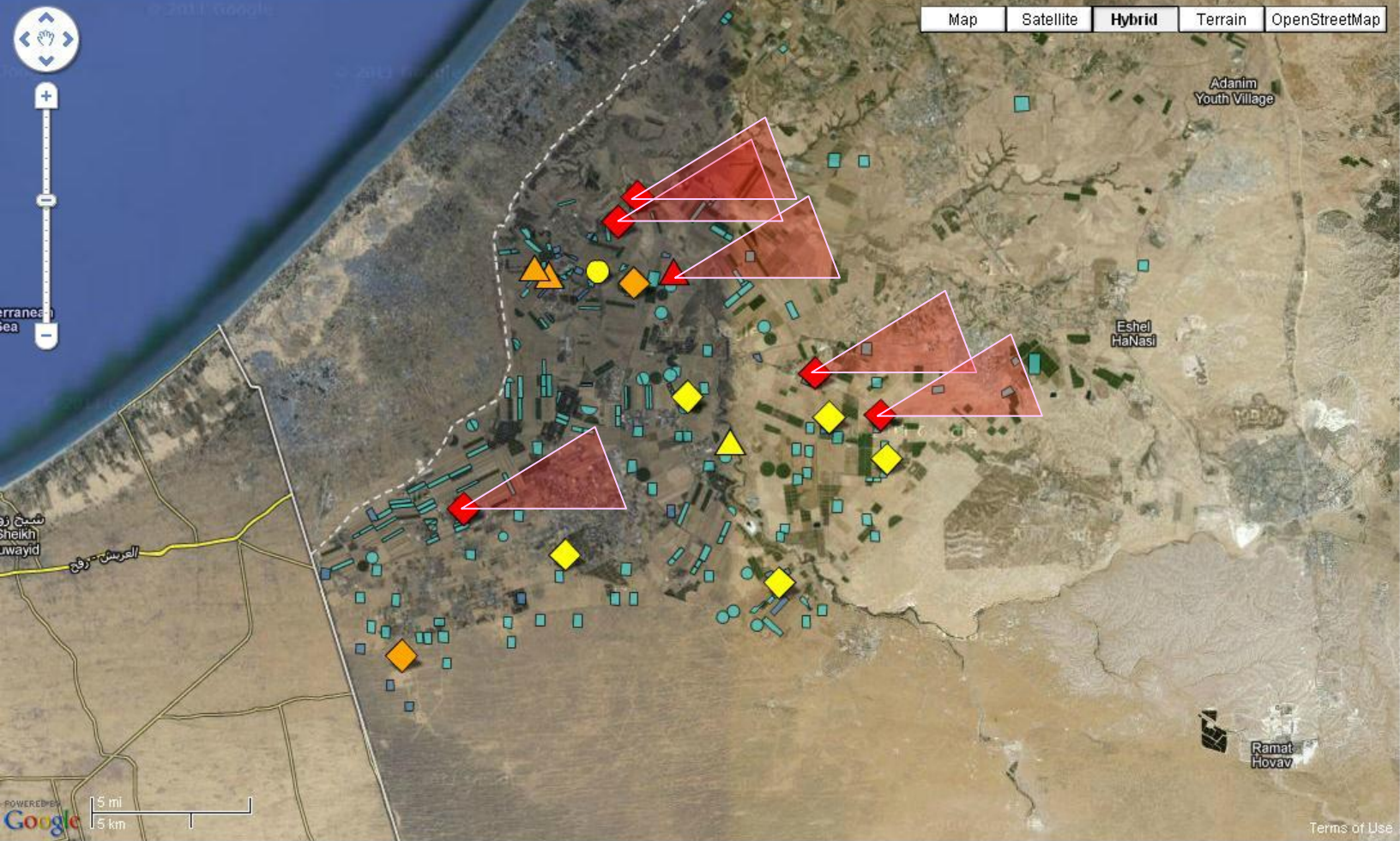
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Disease spread: summery and conclusions

- ★ **In the northern Negev, late blight spreads mainly in east-northern direction.**
- ★ **Most potato growers are willing to share information about late blight detection in their fields; tomato growers are not!**
- ★ **The updated information about late blight detection in the area was valued by the potato growers. They used the information for updating their scouting routines and for choosing the appropriate fungicide for spraying.**

The next step....

**Incorporating the spatial information
in a weather-based decision support
system**

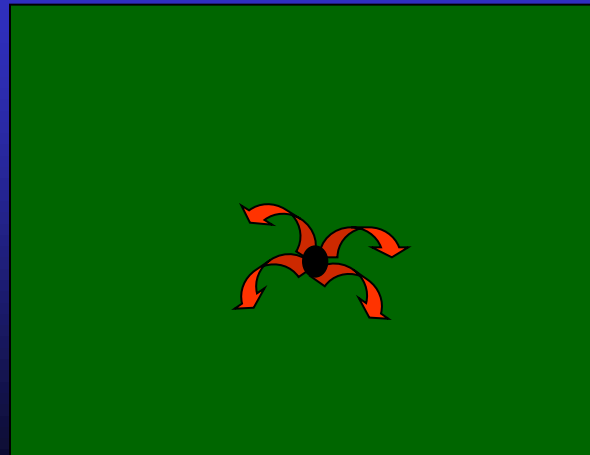


Possible sources of initial inoculum

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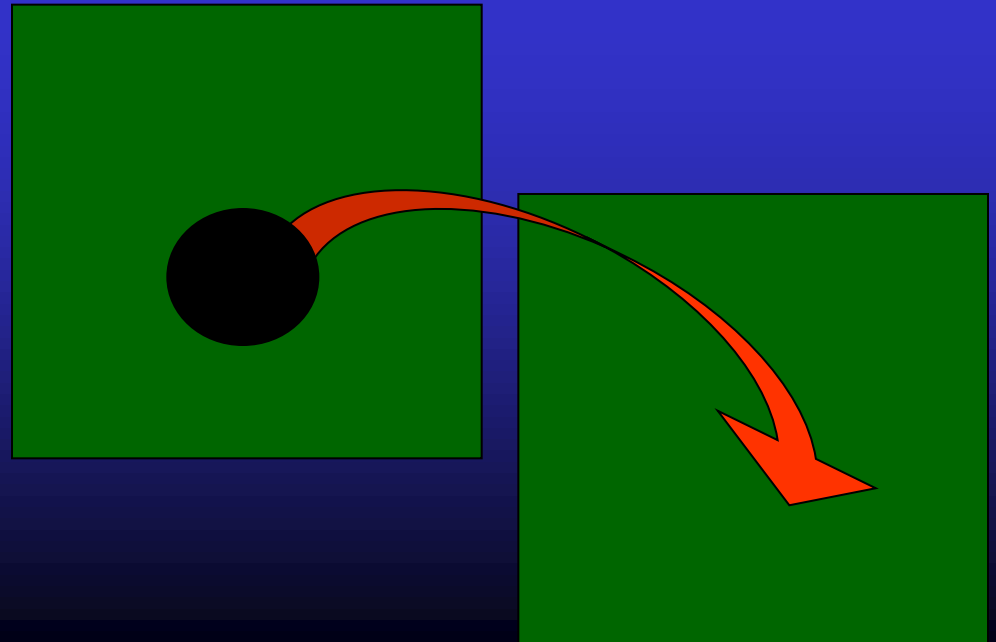




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**Autumn
potato crop**

**Spring
potato crop**

Late blight infected tomato net-house

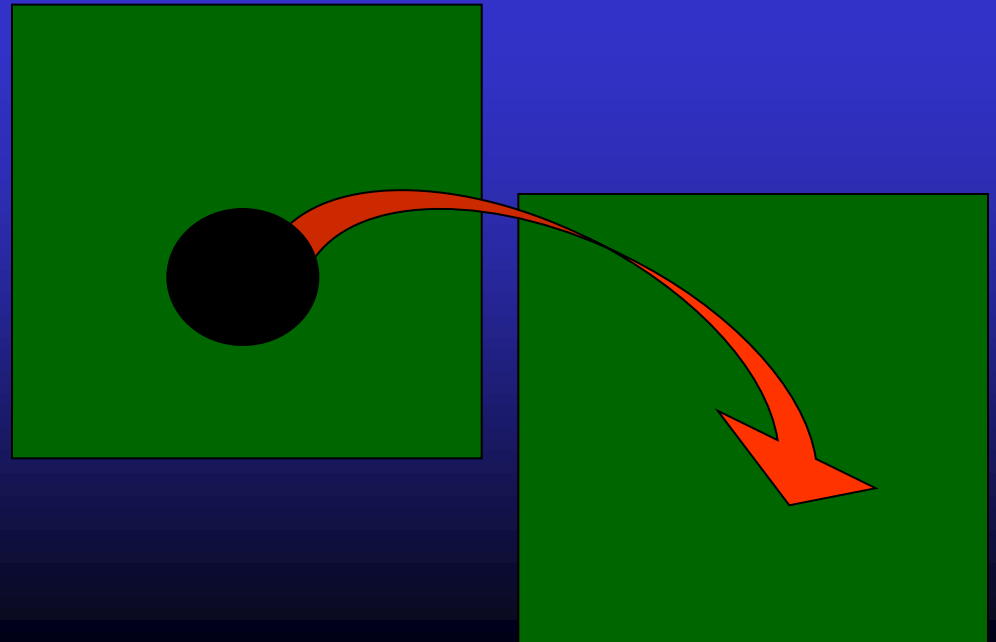


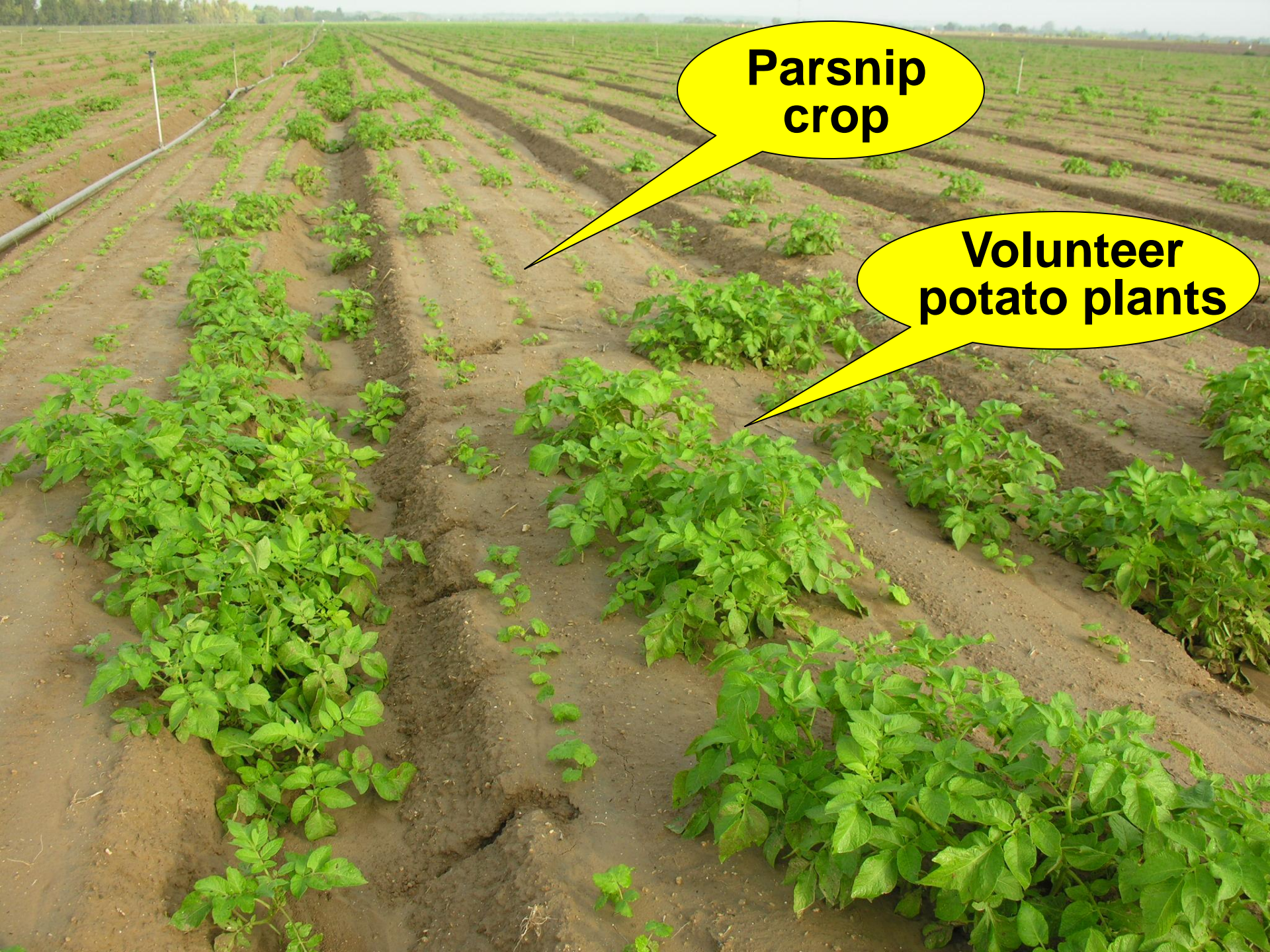


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**Parsnip
crop**

**Volunteer
potato plants**









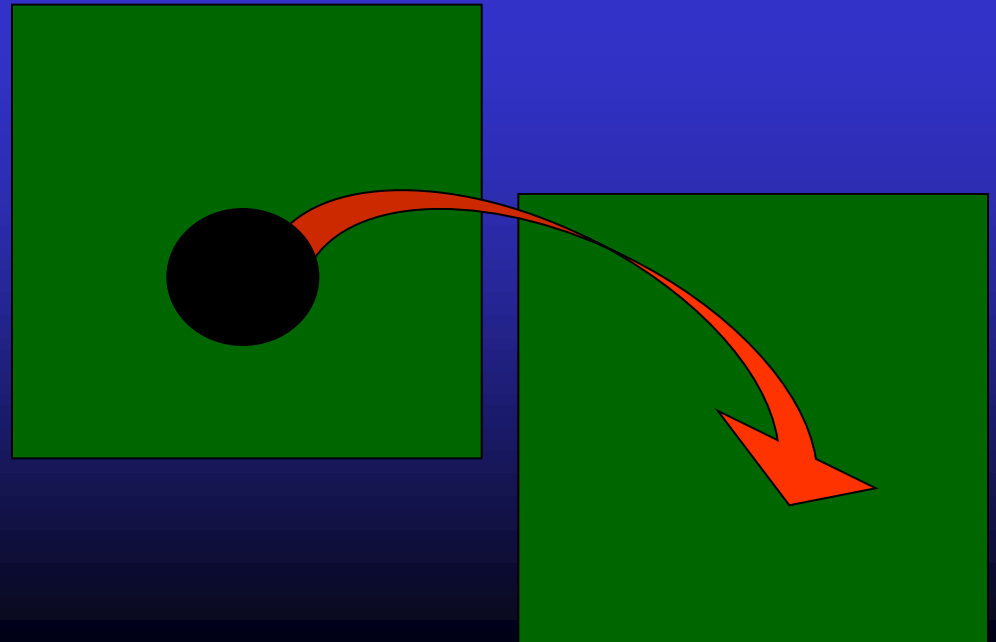
**Volunteer
potato plants**

**New potato
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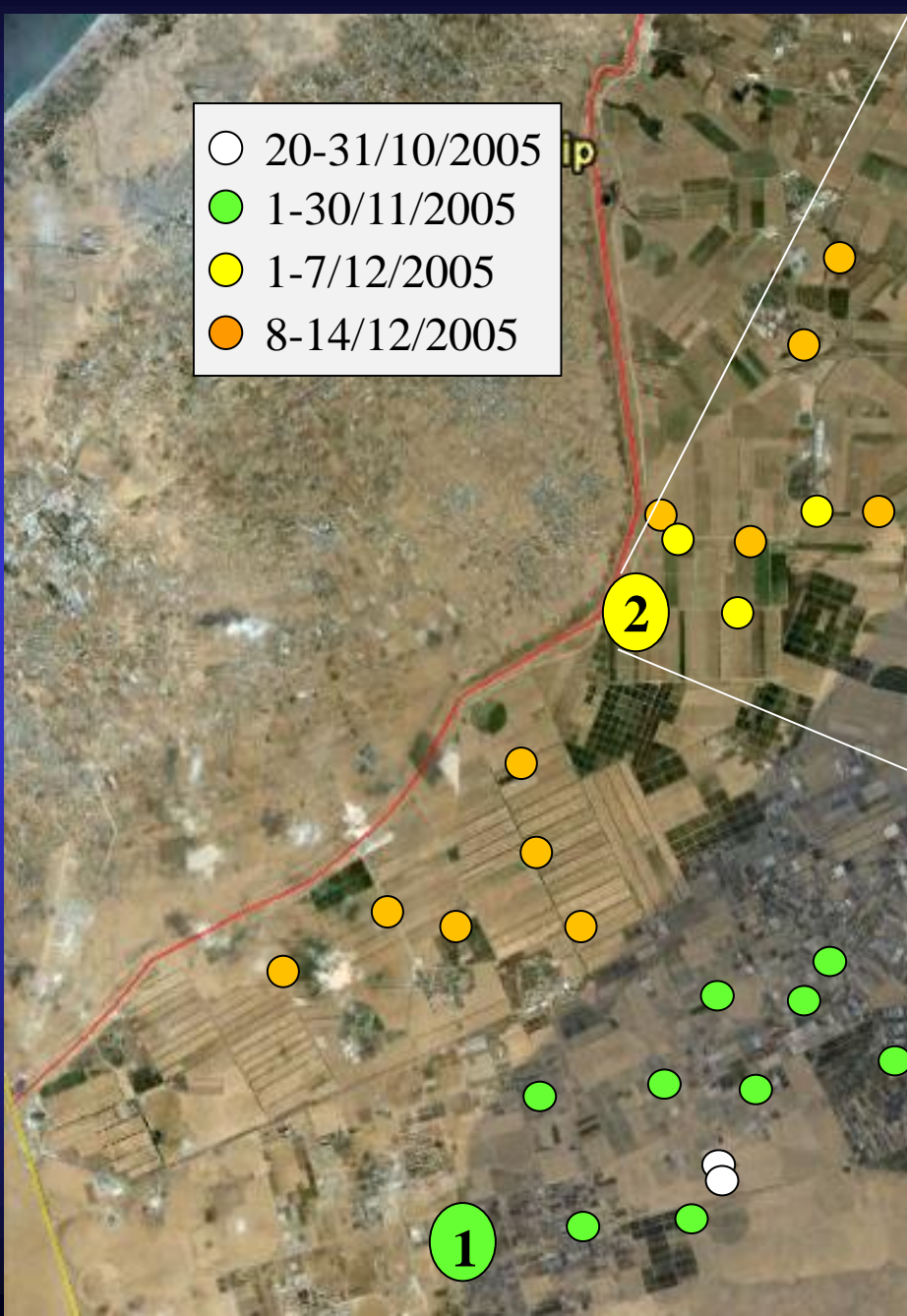
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- Dump sites



Tomato debris in a dumping site



Autumn season 2005-6



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- 20-31/10/2005
- 1-30/11/2005
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- 8-14/12/2005



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Autumn season 2005-6

- 20-31/10/2005
- 1-30/11/2005
- 1-7/12/2005
- 8-14/12/2005
- 15-23/12/2005

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5 Km

Sources of initial inoculum



○ Gaza Strip

**Volunteer potato plants;
infested seed tubers**

**Tomato greenhouses;
Volunteer potato plants;
Infested seed tubers**

5 Km

Thank you !

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