Emergence and diffusion of HPAI (H5N1) in Thailand (2004-2008)

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H5N1 Avian Influenza in Thailand















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➤ Finding factors and cofactors of emergence and diffusion processes of HPAI infection (farm level), using spatial location of infected farms and spatial relationship between infected farms

Finding ecological and environmental characteristics or conditions of infected forms, in amorganica and diffusion processes.

farms, in emergence and diffusion processes



Emergence, diffusion, extinction

Emergence

Presence and persistence of the virus in environment?

Reservoirs and vectors: birds, snails, insects?

Silent phase?

Climate? Vegetation? Others?

Human behaviors, poultry trade, transportation system?

Diffusion

Wild fauna?

Agricultural practices

Human and social behaviors, poultry trade, transportation system?

Extinction and re-emergence

Surveillance system evaluation, comparison with other countries?

HPAI (H5N1) in Thailand: spatial analysis

Characterization of temporal and spatial patterns of diffusion for H5N1 infection in poultry

Randomness pattern?
Correlation and probabilities for geographical factors?
Cluster detection? Cluster movement?
Emergence definition and detection?
Attraction/infectious pattern?

Analysis of the evolution for AI foci in time and space

Speed, distances?

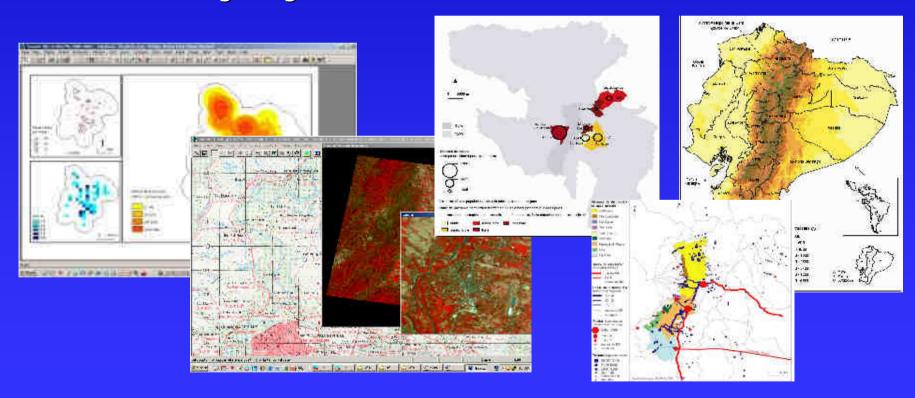
Diffusion pattern (radial, waves, translation,...)?

Witch geographical scale is the most appropriate for this study (district, subdistrict, villages, farms)?

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Avian Influenza Virus in environment Emergence and persistence conditions analysis to improve surveillance network Project ANR 06 SEST 12 (2007-2009)

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Avian Influenza Emergence and Diffusion Modeling and Simulation

Modeling and Simulation:

Using characteristics of all entities (virus, animals, reservoirs, vectors, humans) and environmental real conditions to model emergence and transmission risk

Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence:

Developing spatial stochastic multi-agent modeling techniques in GIS Project AIRD (2008-2010)

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HPAI (H5N1) in poultry : epidemiological data source

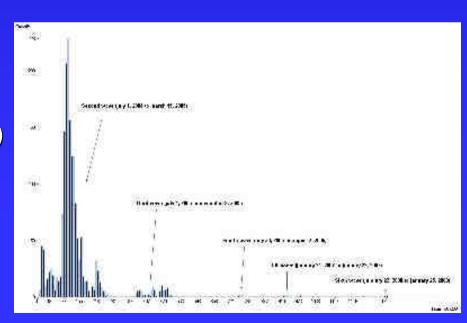
- ➤ All surveillance and epidemiological data come from DLD (Department of Livestock Development, Ministry of Agriculture, Thailand)
- ▶ DLD is in charge of the surveillance, laboratory tests, and information management for diseases in livestock
- ➤ Information is collected but not ready to use in GIS (no codification, no coordinates, quality of data is unknown). From July 2004 to January 2008, data available on the website of DLD, in Thai language

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HPAI (H5N1) retrospective in Thailand

- ▶ Detected in Thailand in January 2004, after China, Japan, Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, and disappear in April 2004 (first wave).
- Re-emerge in July 2004, until march 2005 (second wave).
- ▶ Re-emerge in July 2005, at very low level (third wave), until November 2005
- Only 3 foci in 2006 (July, August)
- Only 2 foci in 2007 (January)
- Only 4 foci in 2008 (January, December)

Total: 1805 confirmed foci



Thailand GIS database

Large scale environmental GIS geodatabase, using aerial pictures, remote sensing, maps, geographical databases



- Land use
- Climate
- Topography
- Urbanizations, markets
- Water bodies
- Forest areas
- Infrastructure (road networks, migrations, etc.)
- Demography and socio-economic data (densities, behaviours)
- Etc.

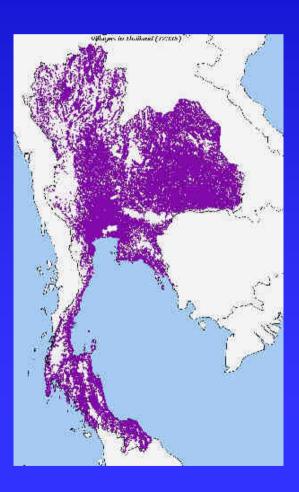
Thailand GIS database: example

➤ Administrative boundaries: districts, sub-districts, villages

Exact farm locations are not available for whole country



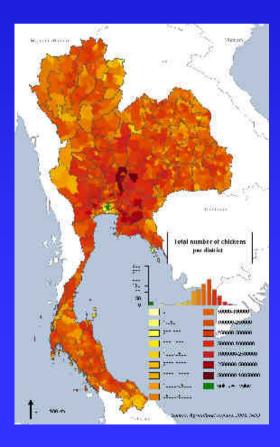


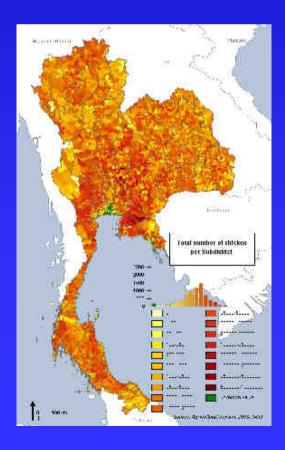


Thailand GIS database: example

➤ Agricultural statistics data are available from DLD and from NSO (National Statistic Office, Ministry of Interior)

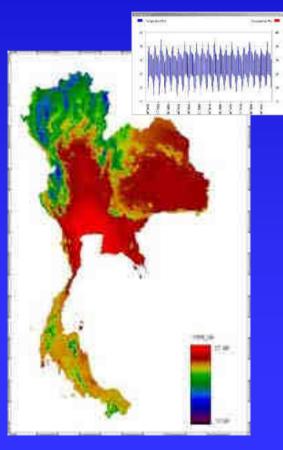
Agricultural census data: year 2003. No backyard farm data available.



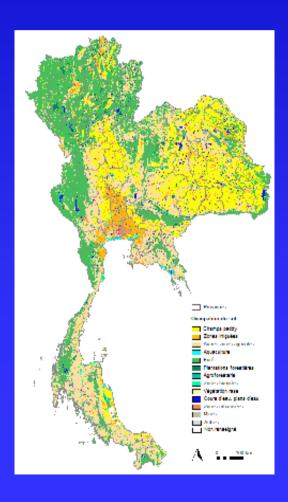


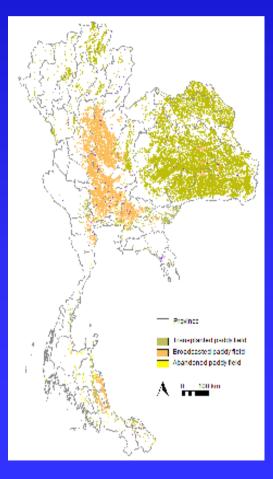
Thailand GIS database: example

Climatic data (for stations), Land use data (from 30 m resolution Landsat 5)









Retrospective spatio-temporal analysis

From retrospective data:

Extracting the Emergence (index cases)

Emergence cases are statistically independent one from each other, allowing statistical analysis with environmental conditions

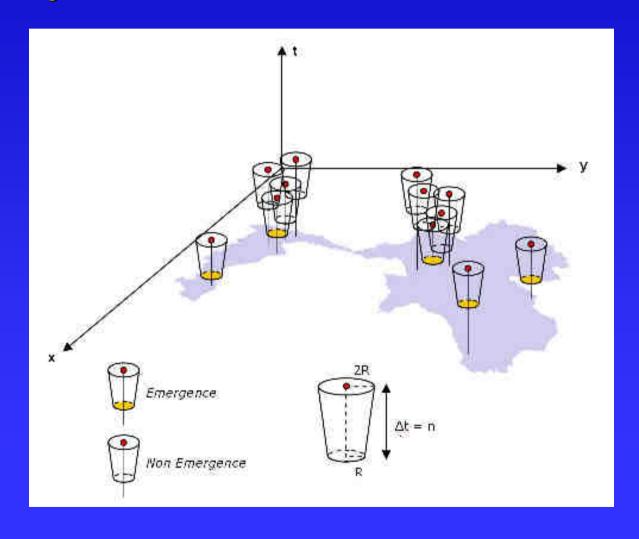
- ► Analyzing the randomness of the spatial distribution
- ► Analyzing correlations with environmental factors
- Rebuilding the Diffusion process

Assumptions must be made in order to link events for spatio-temporal analysis

Pattern of diffusion : Clusters, spatio-temporal characteristics

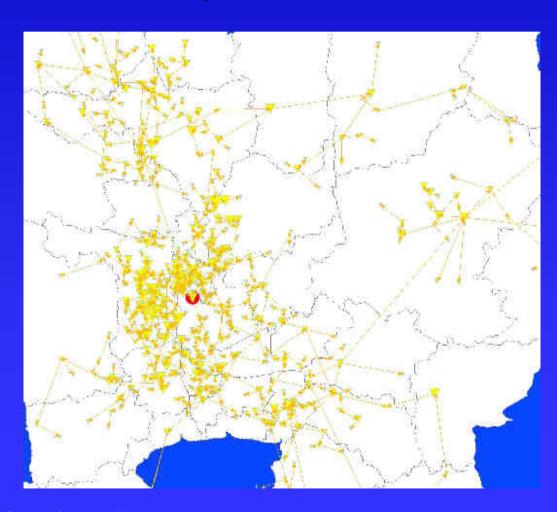
Emergence criteria

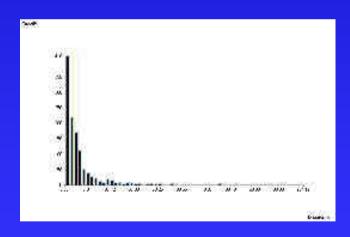
Criteria for emergence: time and distance between infected locations



Diffusion criteria

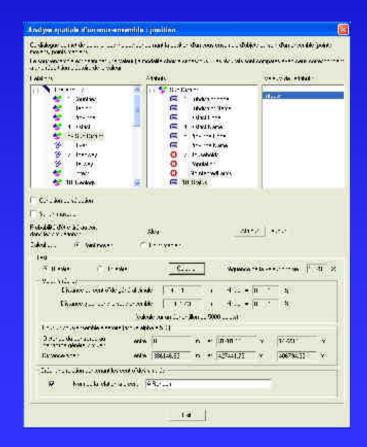
Criteria for linking two events: time and distance, in a backward reseach

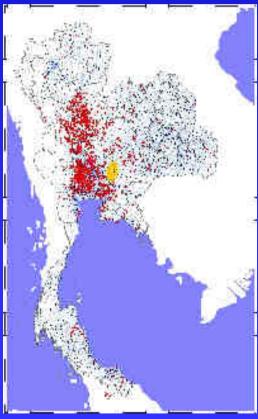


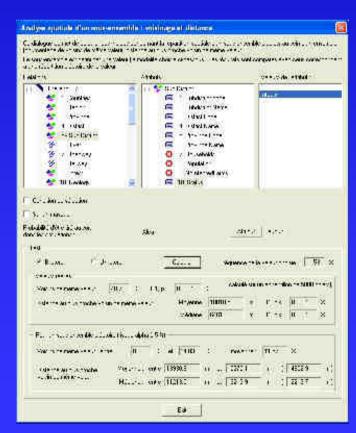


Point pattern spatial analysis

Testing spatial randomness of infected farms, with MC simulations, with attribute weight (number of holdings, number of birds)

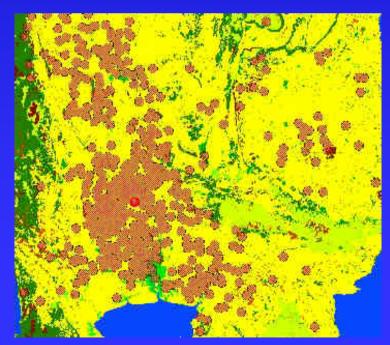


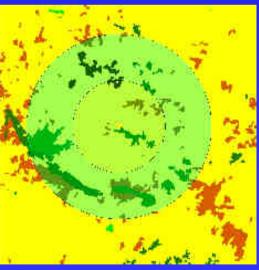




Environmental correlations

- Testing correlation, with MC simulations, between land use percentage of a value in a radius, and presence of an emergence
- Testing correlation, with MC simulations, between farm characteristics and emergence





Spatio-temporal analysis limitations

- Accuracy of declaration (in space, in time)
- No declaration
- Variability: 73000 villages, 9000 sub-districts, only 1805 cases, and less than 60 emergences
- Retrospective analysis is difficult: many hypothesis must be done

Spatial integration in larger areas can be used in order to reduce the random variability, but the integration increase the variance for the environmental variables in the clusters

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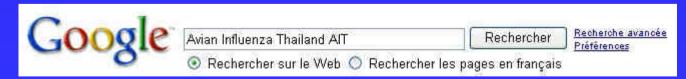
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HPAI (H5N1) in Thailand: mapping

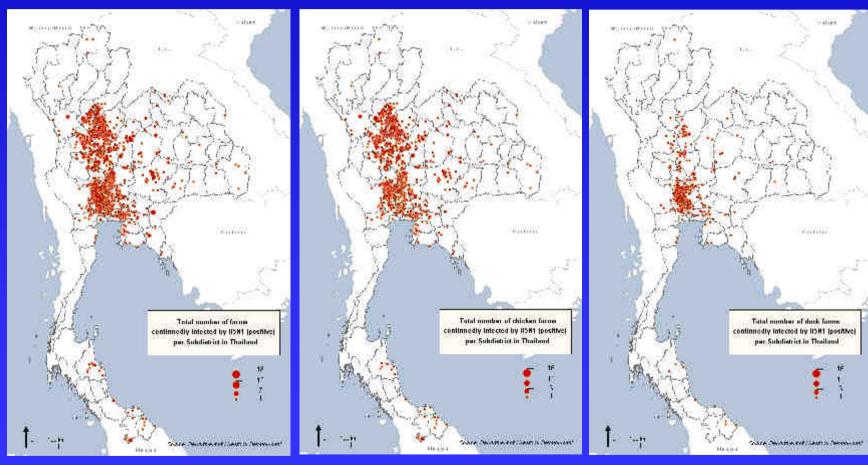
Mapping Avian Influenza in Thailand:

- ► Foci: all, by poultry type, by date (by week), by scale (district, subdistrict)
- ▶ Incidence
- ➤ Agricultural census for poultry farms
- Emergence

website: http://www/star.ait.ac.th/~souris/HPAI



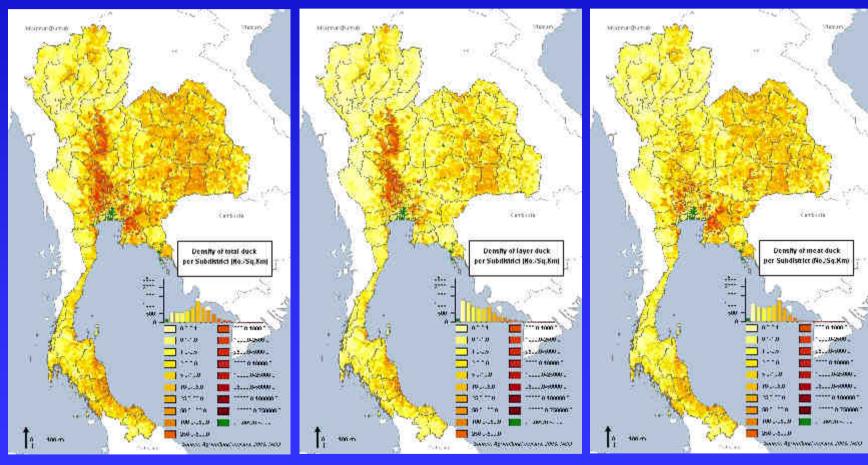
HPAI (H5N1) in Thailand: mapping (example)



Infected Farms, Total

Infected Chicken Farms Infected Duck Farms

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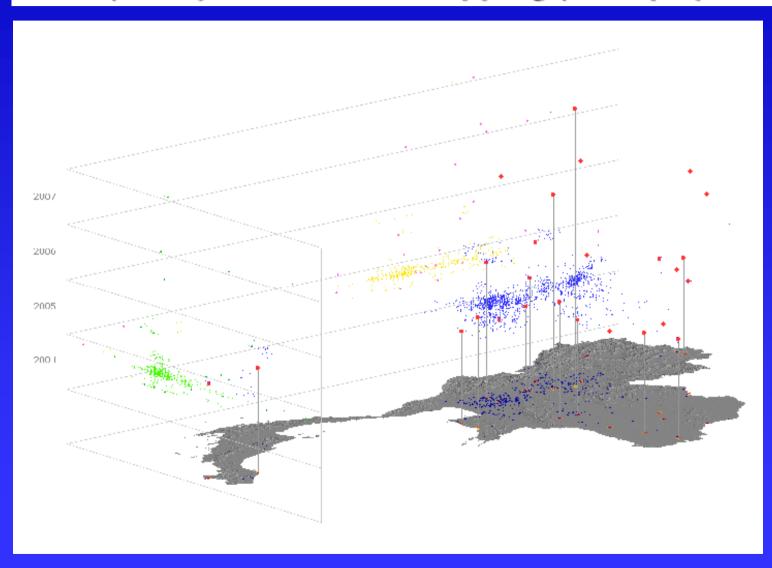


Density of Duck

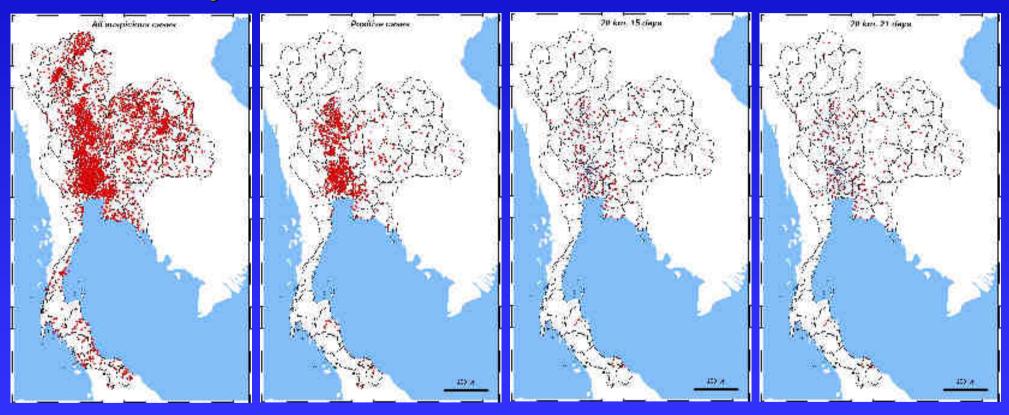
Density of Layer Duck

Density of Meat Duck

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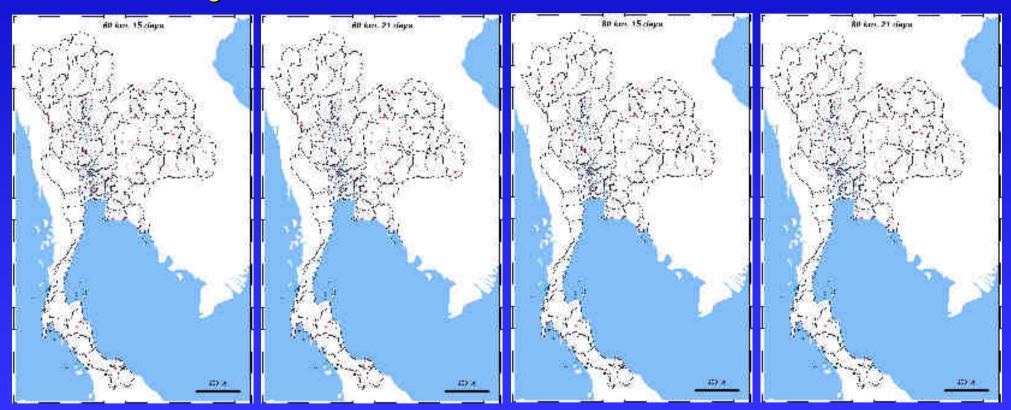


Criteria for emergence: time and distance between foci



At sub-district level, no clusters for emergence locations: clustering may be given by contagious process, not environmental factors.

Criteria for emergence: time and distance between foci



Are migratory birds or free-range ducks involved in emergence?

Criteria for emergence: time and distance between foci

Number of cases selected as emergence, as a function of radius distance (V) and elapsed past time without cases (T)

										V							
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	150	200	300	400	500		
Т																	
7	537	389	255	185	142	115	37	75	<u>51</u>	55	35	28	13	13	11		
14	555	318	195	133	102	78	62	54	48	41	27	21	12	8	5		
21	489	291	176	118	39	72	54	45	40	34	22	16	15	7	4		
28	446	262	152	100	77	60	48	39	36	32	22	16	11	5	4		
<u></u> 50	525	237	131	36	67	52	<u>42</u>	35	31	27	16	15	3	7	4		
90	504	236	129	84	68	52	42	33	31	27	16	14	8	7	4		

Parameters values are expressed as: T = time by days and V= distance in kilometers

Criteria for emergence: time and distance between foci

Geostatistical test: frequency of same value neighbors (risk $\alpha = 0.1 \%$)

								V							
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	150	200	300	400	500
Т															
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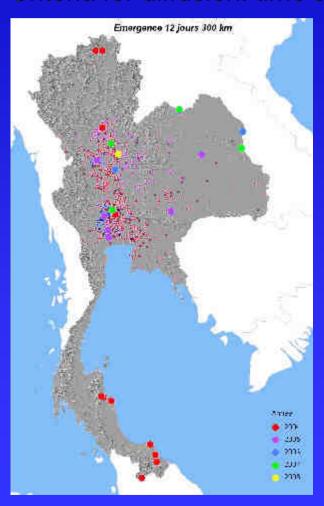
HPAI (H5N1) exposure factors (emergent vs non emergent)

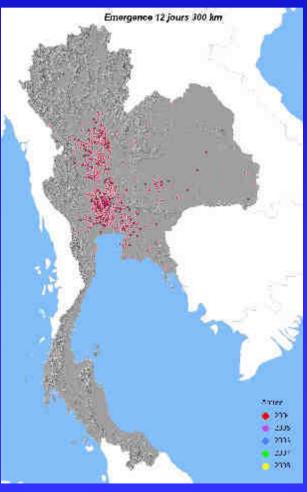
Exposure factor: type of poultry in emergent vs. non-emergent farms (V=60 km, T=21 days, 72 farms)

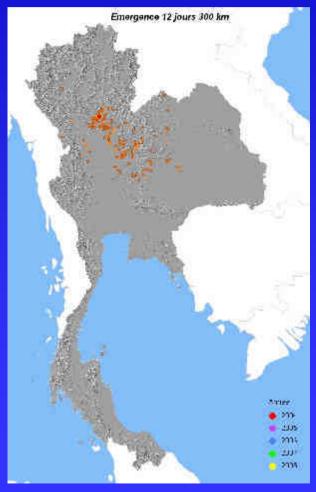
Type of poultry	Emergent farms (%)	Non-Emergent farms (%)	p-value (%)
Batam Cock	1.6	0.5 ± 0.9	15 (H0)
Domestic Chicken	59.2	55.3 ± 6.2	24 (H0)
Domestic Duck	1.6	1.1 ± 1.3	36 (H0)
Egg Chicken	10.9	4.4 ± 2.5	0.5 (H1)
Egg Duck	4.7	15.6 ± 4.2	0.7 (H1)
Farm Chicken	9,4	4.9 ± 2.5	4.9 (H1)
Farm Duck	3.2	7.6 ± 3	8.1 (H0)
Farm Francolin	3.2	2.2 ± 1.8	30 (H0)
Fighting Cock	3.2	2.7 ± 2	42 (H0)
Free range duck	1.6	1.1 ± 1.5	47 (H0)
Goose	0	0.8 ± 1	23 (H0)
Mandarin Duck	1.6	2.5 ± 1.9	30 (H0)
Turkey	0	0.2 ± 0.6	34 (H0)

HPAI (H5N1) diffusion

Criteria for diffusion: time and distance between foci





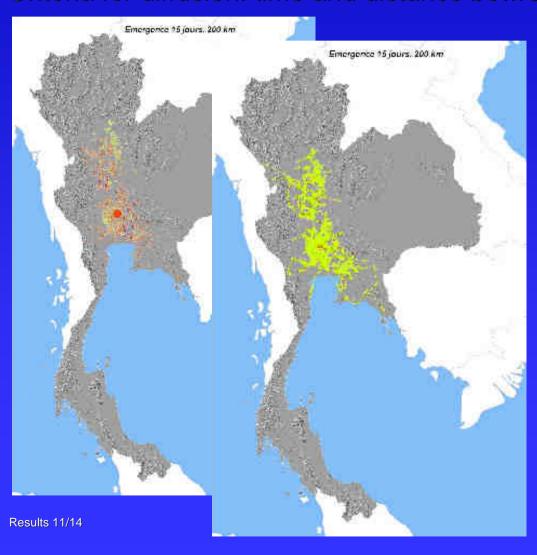


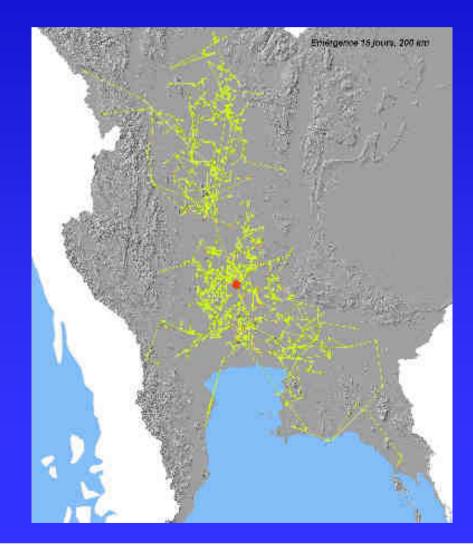
1350 foci from the first one (total 1805)

205 foci from the second one (total 1805)

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Criteria for diffusion: time and distance between foci

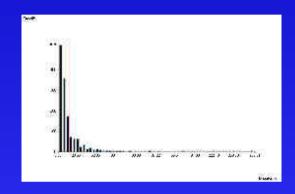




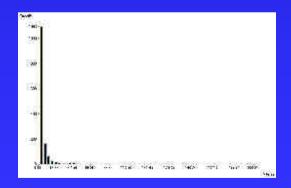
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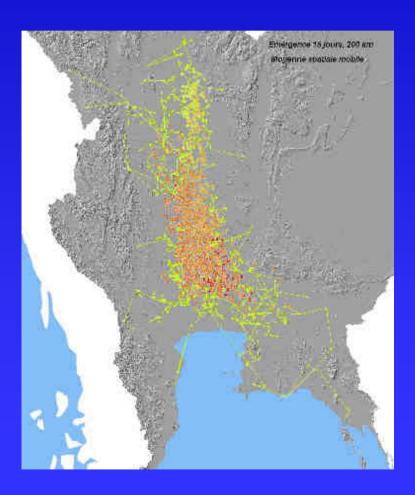
First wave (2004) characteristics: distance, speed, jumps, patterns











HPAI (H5N1) emergence and diffusion: results

- ▶ in each waves, no time interruption of more than 8 days: few independent clusters. No global randomness, but clustered pattern due to local diffusion.
- Random spatial pattern for emergence
- ➤ No relationship between emergence foci and land use (in a 5 km radius)

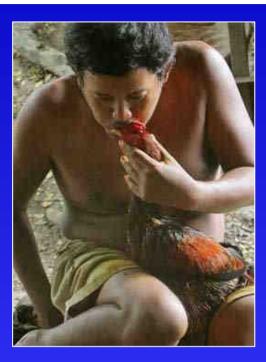
Conclusions

- Emergence is spatially random, not predictable
- Only few index cases responsible of each HPAI epidemics wave and, at subdistrict level, no geographical locations or environmental conditions can be highlighted in the risk of emergence.
- Surveillance on HPAI must focus on dissemination, more than on migrating birds or wild fauna control: local farm to farm transmission, long distance jumps from human agro-commercial practices, and cross-border trade.

Thank you













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