

**Classification of Sea Ice Summer Melt Features in High-resolution IceBridge Imagery**

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**Introduction**

This supporting information describes the test images used for developing the classification algorithm. Table S1 lists the test images and provides information on time, date, location, ice features, and classification results. Image descriptions follow WMO Nomenclature (WMO, 1970). Figures S1 to S40 show (a) the original DMS image acquired from NSIDC (<http://dx.doi.org/10.5067/OZ6VNOPMPRJ0>) and (b) the classified image, where pixel classification is as follows: border (gray), undeformed ice (red), deformed ice (pink), open water (blue), dark melt pond (green), medium melt pond (yellow), light melt pond (cyan). Figure S41 is the same as Figure 7 in the paper but for a different image to illustrate the alternative method for calculating the threshold between open water and melt ponds in  $C_b$ .

| Image      | Description  | Date         | GPS Time (hh:mm:ss) | Lat (°N) | Lon (°W) | MPF (%) | SIC (%) | PCF <sub>D</sub> (%) | PCF <sub>M</sub> (%) | PCF <sub>L</sub> (%) |
|------------|--|--------------|---------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>S1</b>  | Flooded level first year ice.  | 13 July 2016 | 21:08:43            | 76.8     | -150.0   | 66      | 100     | 0                    | 0                    | 100                  |
| <b>S2</b>  | Ponded ice floe with drainage channels and thaw holes. Pond color varies.  | 13 July 2016 | 21:24:43            | 75.6     | -150.0   | 30      | 99      | 27                   | 30                   | 44                   |
| <b>S3</b>  | Predominantly open water with sun glint.   | 13 July 2016 | 21:26:11            | 75.5     | -150.0   | NA      | 3       | 94                   | 0                    | 6                    |
| <b>S4</b>  | Heavily ponded level first year ice floe and deformed, ponded ice floe, separated by a lead. Evidence of ice algae.                      | 13 July 2016 | 21:40:32            | 74.6     | -149.5   | 27      | 81      | 67                   | 0                    | 33                   |
| <b>S5</b>  | Deformed ice with melt ponds and drainage channels.  | 13 July 2016 | 21:42:11            | 74.5     | -149.5   | 21      | 100     | 6                    | 0                    | 94                   |
| <b>S6</b>  | Level, fractured floe with varying melt pond fraction. Evidence of snow melt.  | 14 July 2016 | 20:42:50            | 75.0     | -164.9   | 25      | 100     | 29                   | 46                   | 24                   |
| <b>S7</b>  | Heavily ponded, level first year ice with interconnected pond structure. Evidence of cracks and snow melt.                               | 14 July 2016 | 20:52:44            | 75.4     | -167.2   | 23      | 98      | 92                   | 0                    | 8                    |
| <b>S8</b>  | Mixture of ice types. Heavily ponded level first year ice floes and thicker ponded ice with drainage channels. Evidence of snow melt.    | 14 July 2016 | 20:57:11            | 75.6     | -168.3   | 22      | 97      | 85                   | 0                    | 15                   |
| <b>S9</b>  | Multiyear ice floe with large melt ponds and drainage channels.  | 14 July 2016 | 20:58:25            | 75.6     | -168.6   | 38      | 100     | 3                    | 0                    | 97                   |
| <b>S10</b> | Predominantly open water and unconsolidated, small floes with evidence of thaw holes.  | 14 July 2016 | 21:09:29            | 75.9     | -169.0   | 9       | 29      | 75                   | 0                    | 25                   |
| <b>S11</b> | Multiple sea ice floes with elongated dark melt ponds and discrete light melt ponds.   | 14 July 2016 | 21:17:09            | 76.3     | -167.7   | 23      | 91      | 86                   | 0                    | 14                   |
| <b>S12</b> | Mixture of large and small ice floes with elongated dark melt ponds and discrete light melt ponds  | 16 July 2016 | 0:51:51             | 73.6     | -173.9   | 29      | 81      | 86                   | 0                    | 14                   |
| <b>S13</b> | Ice floes separated by lead. Mixture of light and dark ponds with drainage channels connecting ponds.                                    | 16 July 2016 | 1:00:06             | 73.8     | -172.1   | 31      | 91      | 36                   | 33                   | 31                   |
| <b>S14</b> | Deformed ice floe with small light ponds in conjunction with pressure ridging. Dark, interconnected ponds elsewhere. Evidence of cracks. | 19 July 2016 | 22:28:12            | 74.9     | -173.0   | 23      | 87      | 86                   | 0                    | 14                   |
| <b>S15</b> | Unconsolidated ice floes with light and dark melt ponds with thaw holes.   | 16 July 2016 | 22:29:31            | 75.0     | -173.1   | 24      | 61      | 77                   | 0                    | 23                   |



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| <b>S16</b> | Heavily ponded floe with interconnected pond structure.  | 16 July 2016 | 22:35:57 | 75.4 | -173.4 | 32 | 100 | 92 | 0  | 8  |
| <b>S17</b> | Ponded ice flow with mixture of interconnected dark ponds and discrete light ponds. Evidence of snow melt.   | 19 July 2016 | 22:47:34 | 76.3 | -173.9 | 17 | 99  | 84 | 0  | 16 |
| <b>S18</b> | Multiple floes with mixture of elongated and interconnected dark and light ponds.  | 19 July 2016 | 22:50:04 | 76.4 | -174.0 | 18 | 72  | 76 | 0  | 24 |
| <b>S19</b> | Heavily ponded ice floe with drainage channels connecting ponds.   | 19 July 2016 | 23:04:49 | 76.5 | -172.6 | 27 | 100 | 22 | 42 | 36 |
| <b>S20</b> | Heavily ponded level ice with thaw holes and cracks.   | 19 July 2016 | 23:12:05 | 76.1 | -170.9 | 20 | 84  | 92 | 0  | 8  |
| <b>S21</b> | Deformed ice floes with interconnected light and dark ponds connected by narrow drainage channels. Evidence of cracks.   | 19 July 2016 | 23:15:17 | 76.0 | -170.2 | 25 | 95  | 21 | 0  | 79 |
| <b>S22</b> | Multiple, predominantly level ice floes undergoing melt but with low melt pond fraction.   | 21 July 2016 | 21:03:49 | 75.7 | -140.0 | 5  | 73  | 93 | 0  | 7  |
| <b>S23</b> | Consolidated, predominantly level ice floe undergoing melt but with low melt pond fraction.  | 21 July 2016 | 21:04:12 | 75.7 | -140.0 | 3  | 100 | 13 | 74 | 13 |
| <b>S24</b> | Predominantly level ice floe undergoing melt but with low melt pond fraction. Evidence of submerged ice. Light melt ponds in conjunction with pressure ridges. | 21 July 2016 | 21:05:12 | 75.8 | -140.0 | 12 | 87  | 80 | 0  | 20 |
| <b>S25</b> | Consolidated, predominantly level ice floe undergoing melt with extensive drainage channels and thaw holes.  | 21 July 2016 | 21:08:14 | 76.0 | -140.0 | 9  | 98  | 80 | 0  | 20 |
| <b>S26</b> | Fragmented ice floes with undulating topography, rubble fields, and light melt ponds.  | 17 July 2017 | 14:52:56 | 83.3 | -75.0  | 12 | 69  | 8  | 0  | 92 |
| <b>S27</b> | Consolidated, deformed multiyear ice with light melt ponds and drainage channels.  | 17 July 2017 | 15:02:27 | 83.3 | -80.7  | 6  | 99  | 2  | 0  | 98 |
| <b>S28</b> | Fragmented, heavily deformed multiyear ice floes with light melt ponds.  | 17 July 2017 | 15:41:23 | 83.6 | -79.3  | 9  | 74  | 4  | 0  | 96 |
| <b>S29</b> | Consolidated multiyear ice with small and large light ponds. Evidence of cracks and very small fractures.  | 17 July 2017 | 15:41:26 | 83.6 | -79.3  | 15 | 96  | 2  | 0  | 98 |
| <b>S30</b> | Fractured multiyear ice floes with light melt ponds.   | 17 July 2017 | 15:42:37 | 83.7 | -78.9  | 5  | 97  | 1  | 0  | 99 |
| <b>S31</b> | Fractured, heavily deformed multiyear ice floes with light melt ponds.   | 17 July 2017 | 15:43:35 | 83.8 | -78.7  | 7  | 95  | 38 | 0  | 62 |

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|------------|---|--------------|----------|------|--------|----|-----|----|----|-----|
| <b>S32</b> | Consolidated deformed ice with light melt ponds. Evidence of pressure ridging.  | 18 July 2017 | 15:26:57 | 83.0 | -88.0  | 6  | 99  | 4  | 0  | 96  |
| <b>S33</b> | Heavily deformed multiyear ice with pressure ridges and light ponds varying in size and connected by drainage channels. | 18 July 2017 | 16:18:12 | 84.0 | -73.8  | 17 | 97  | 3  | 0  | 97  |
| <b>S34</b> | Cracked and deformed ice with light, medium, and dark melt ponds connected by drainage channels.                        | 24 July 2017 | 14:59:19 | 84.4 | -43.2  | 18 | 97  | 14 | 38 | 47  |
| <b>S35</b> | Fractured ice floes. Heavily deformed multiyear ice floe. Ponding in conjunction with pressure ridges.                  | 24 July 2017 | 15:10:25 | 84.4 | -49.3  | 16 | 88  | 21 | 0  | 79  |
| <b>S36</b> | Fragmented ice floes with dark, medium, and light melt ponds and deformation along floe edges. Evidence of snow melt    | 24 July 2017 | 15:17:51 | 84.3 | -54.5  | 15 | 97  | 21 | 36 | 43  |
| <b>S37</b> | Large melt pond on deformed multiyear ice with undulating topography.   | 24 July 2017 | 15:38:55 | 83.1 | -59.7  | 16 | 93  | 4  | 7  | 89  |
| <b>S38</b> | Fragmented ice floes with large and small melt ponds. Diffuse lighting conditions.                                      | 25 July 2017 | 12:33:36 | 82.3 | -94.6  | 10 | 95  | 39 | 27 | 34  |
| <b>S39</b> | Heavily ponded consolidated ice floe with drainage channels connecting ponds. Diffuse lighting conditions.              | 25 July 2017 | 12:45:54 | 82.5 | -100.9 | 28 | 100 | 0  | 0  | 100 |
| <b>S40</b> | Fragmented, deformed ice floes with light and medium melt ponds connected by long drainage channels.                    | 25 July 2017 | 17:05:50 | 83.3 | -74.9  | 12 | 85  | 16 | 29 | 54  |

**Table S1.** List of test images used in algorithm development with derived parameters.

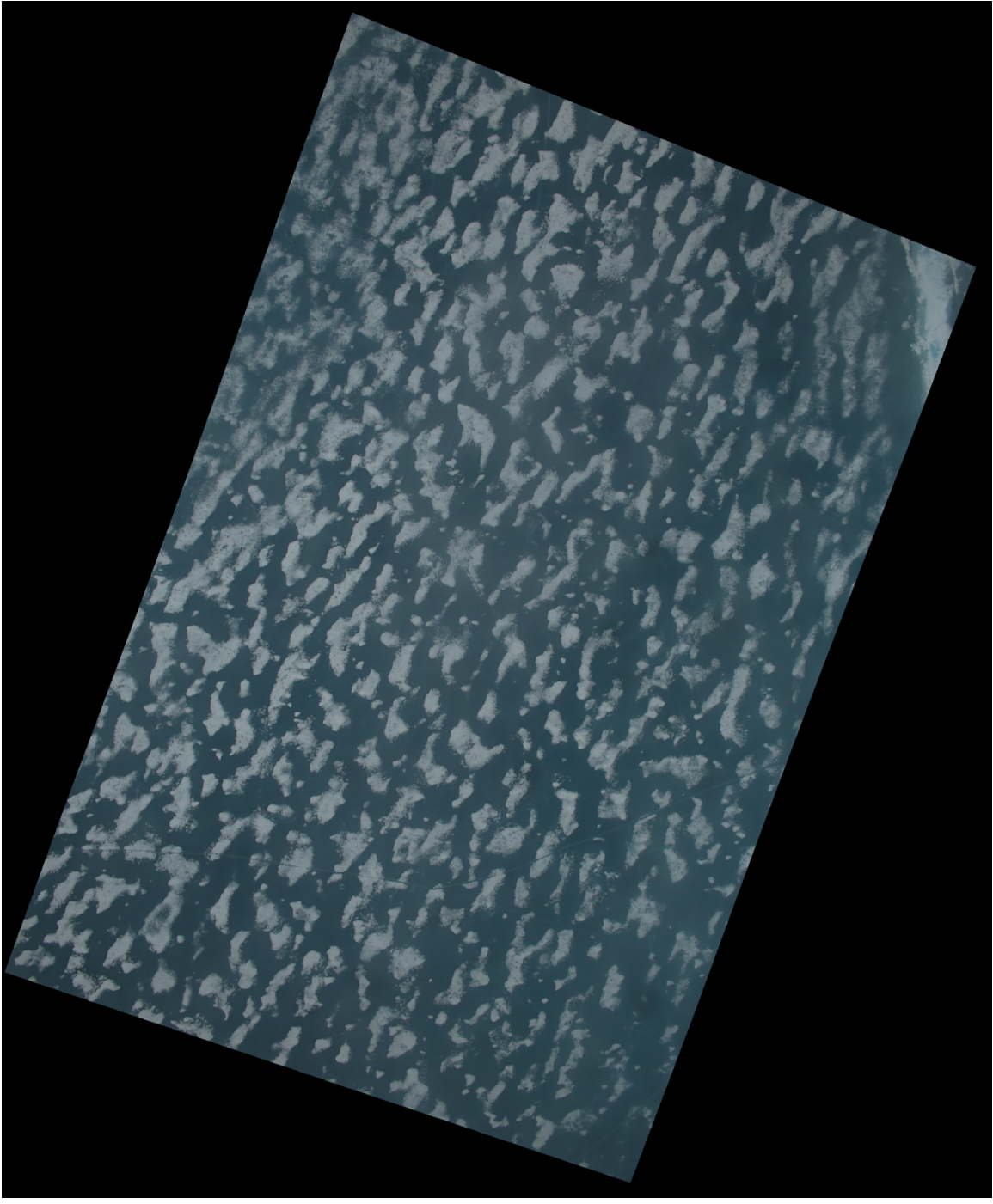


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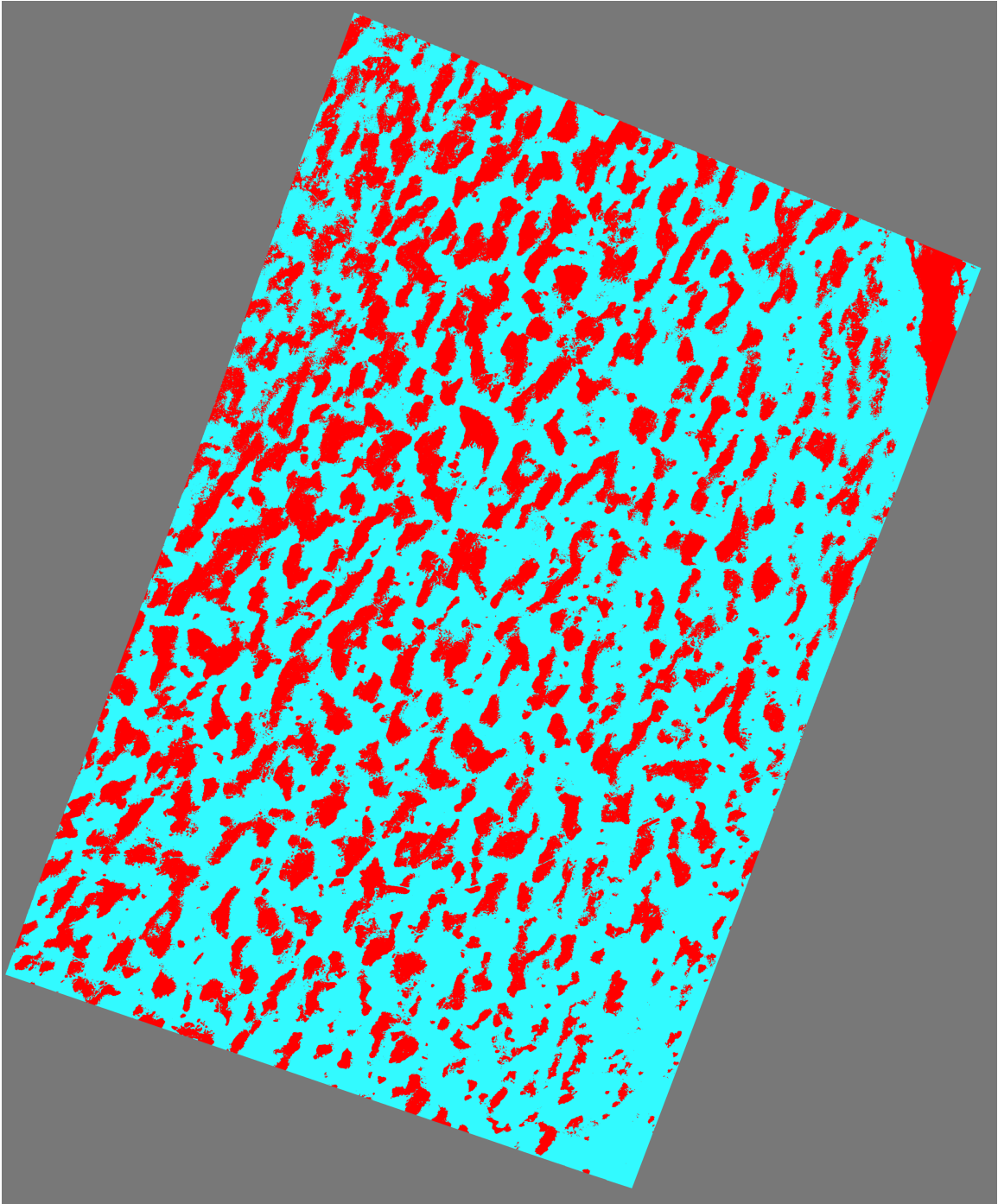


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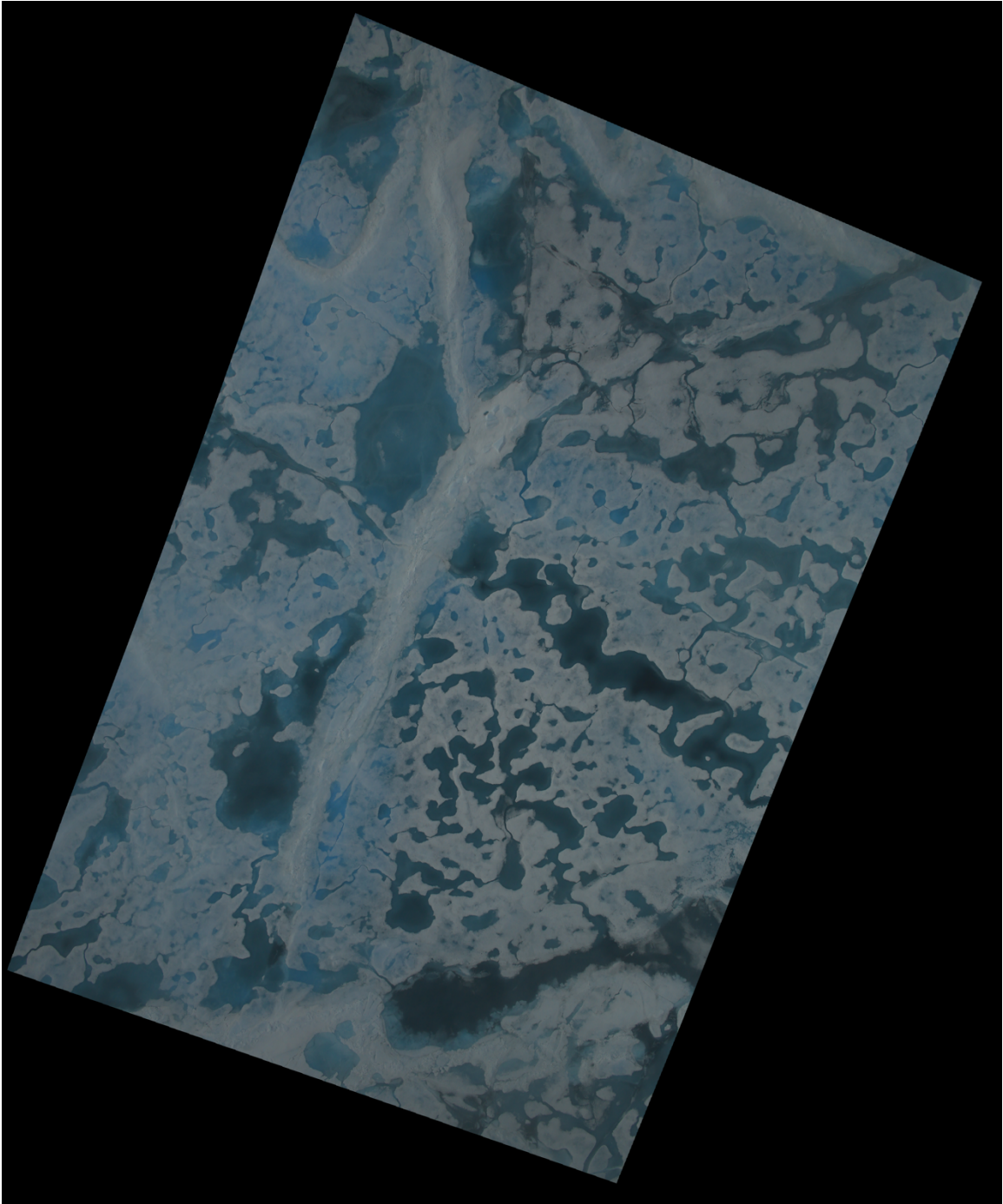


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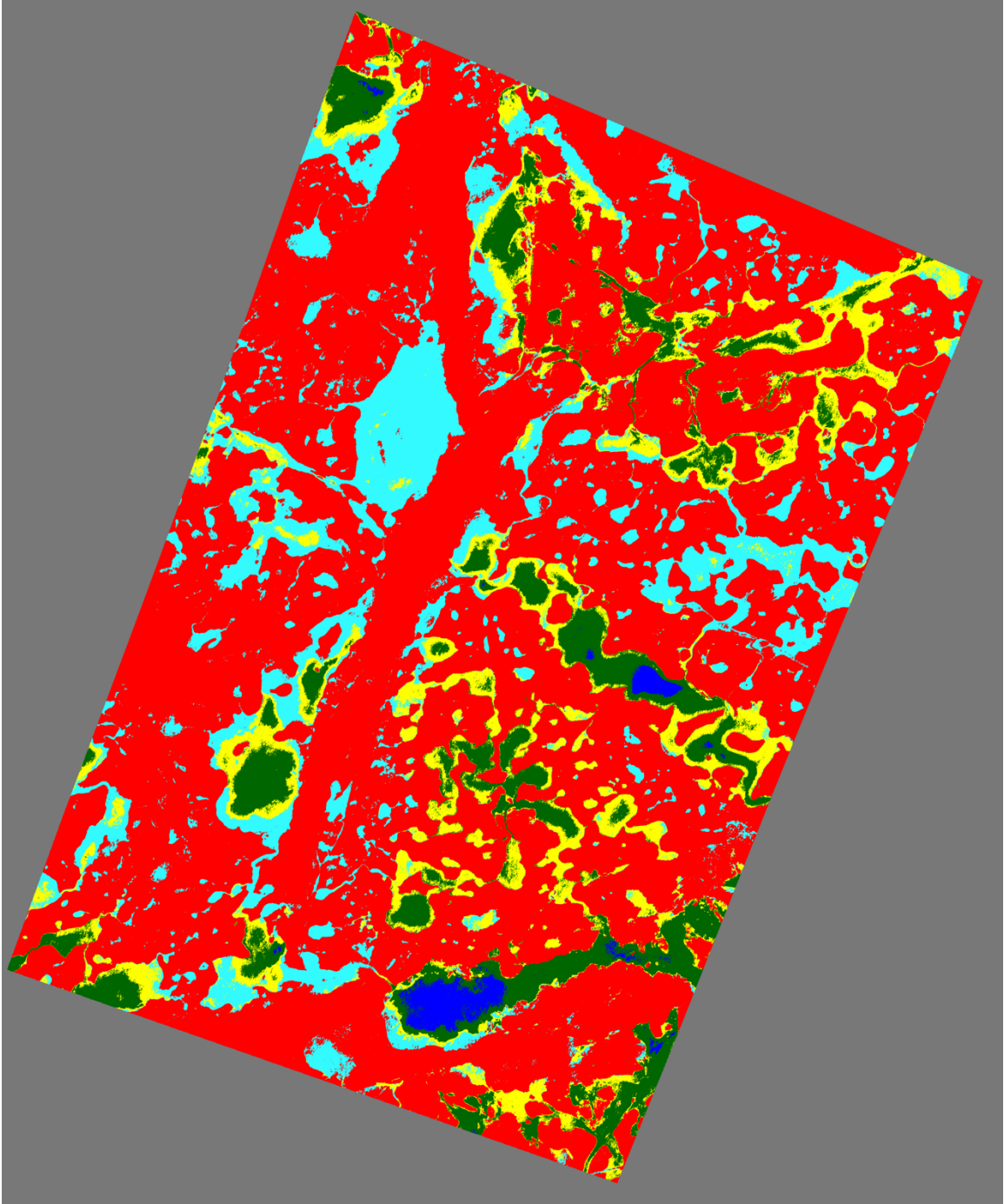


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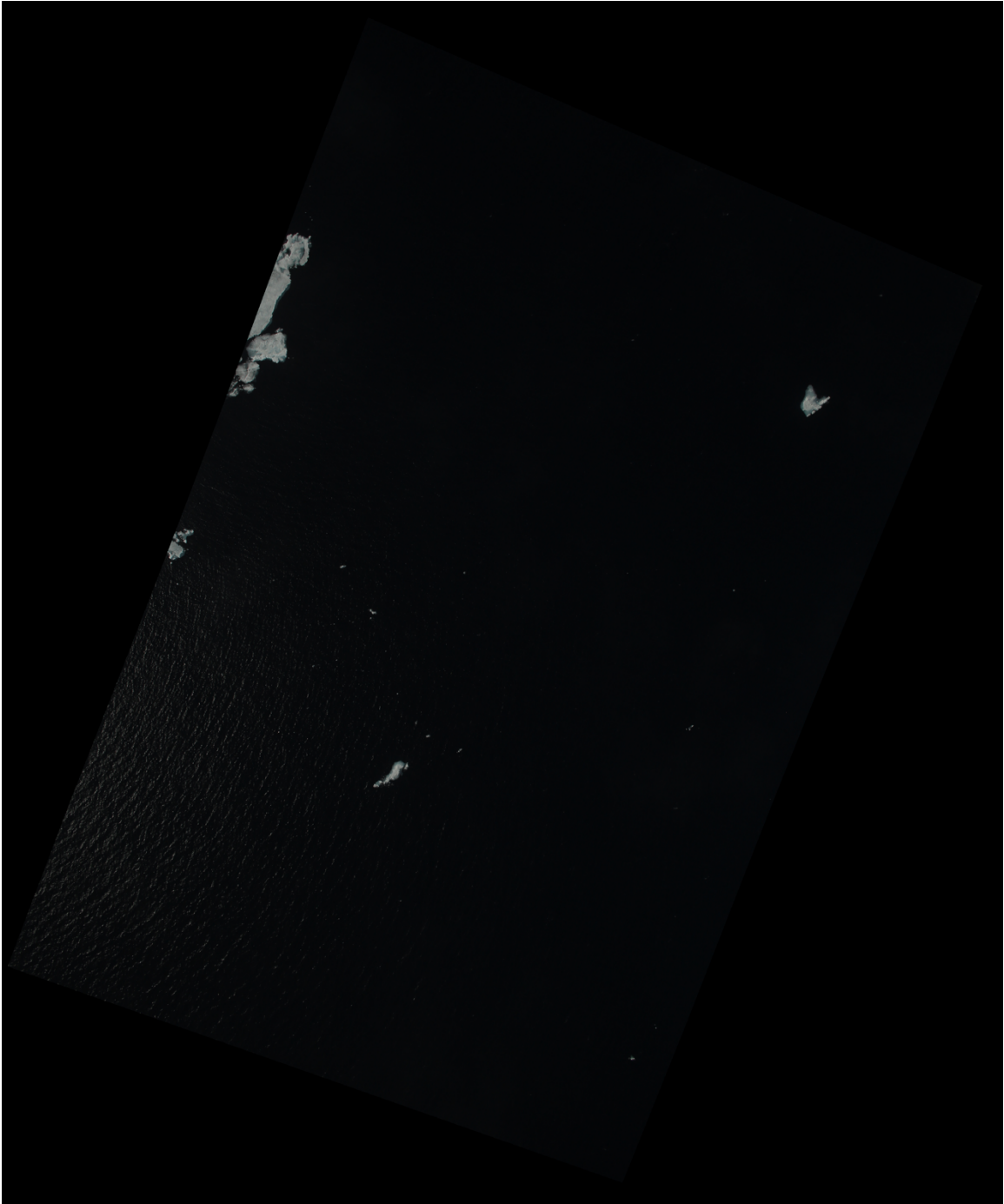


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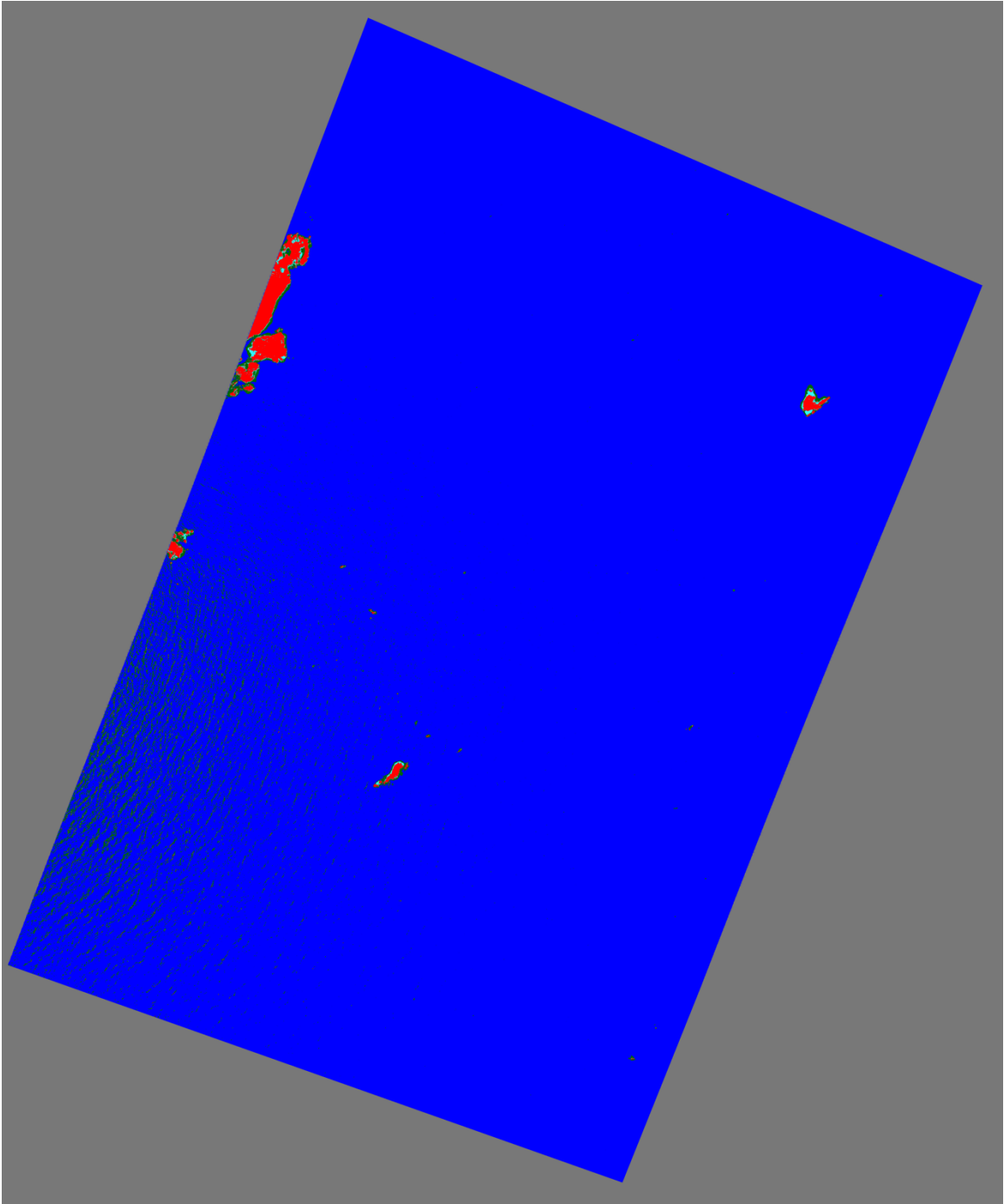


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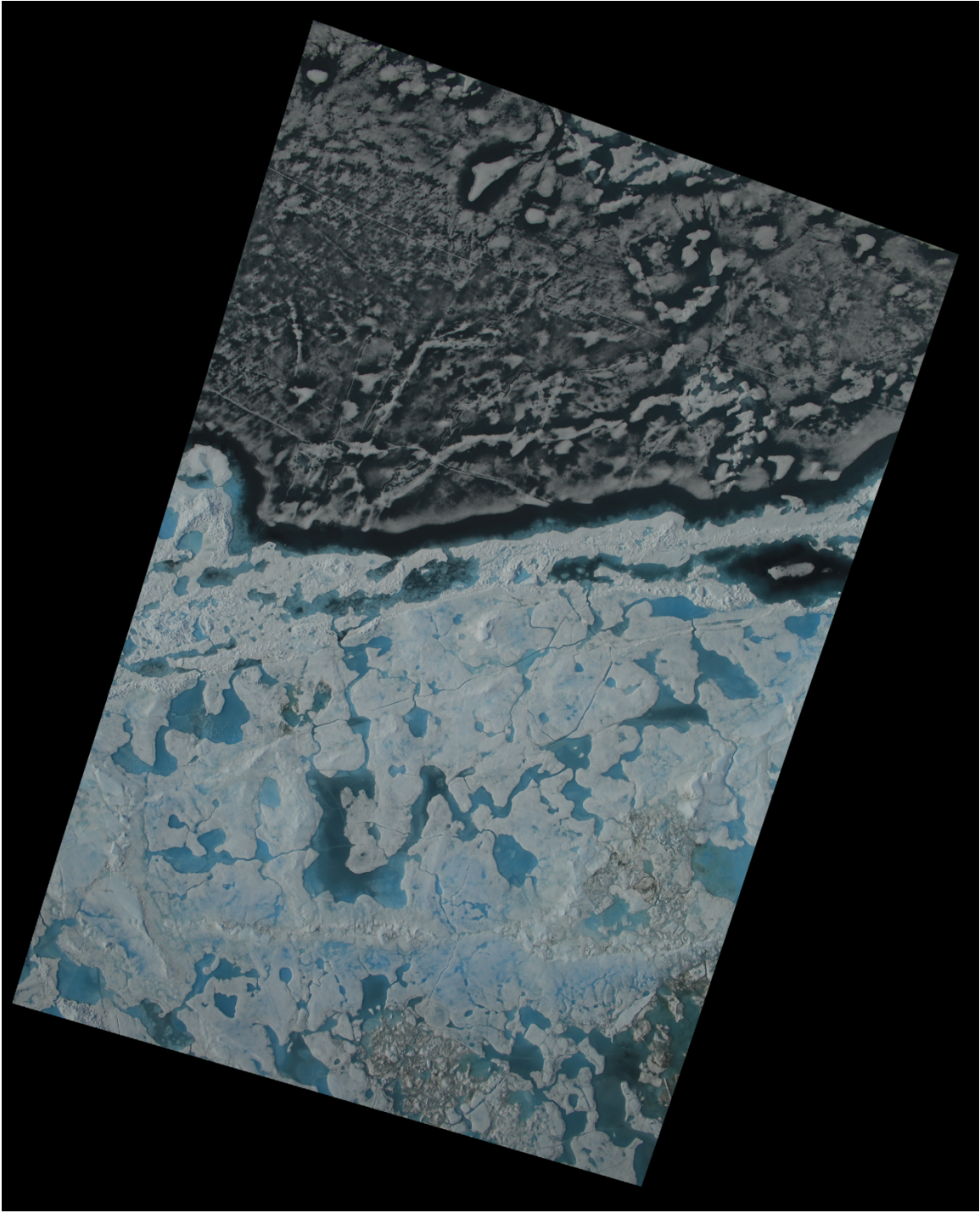


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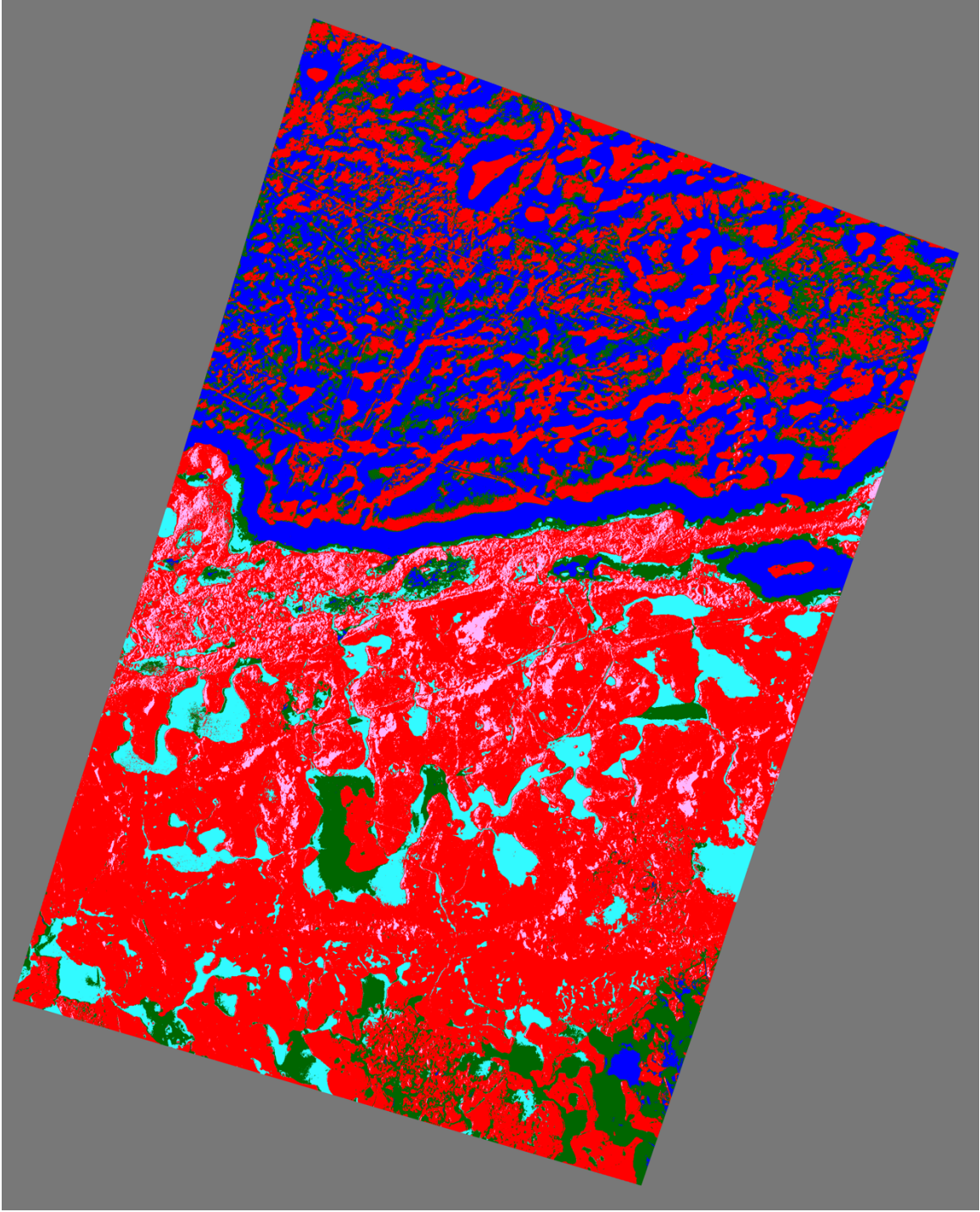


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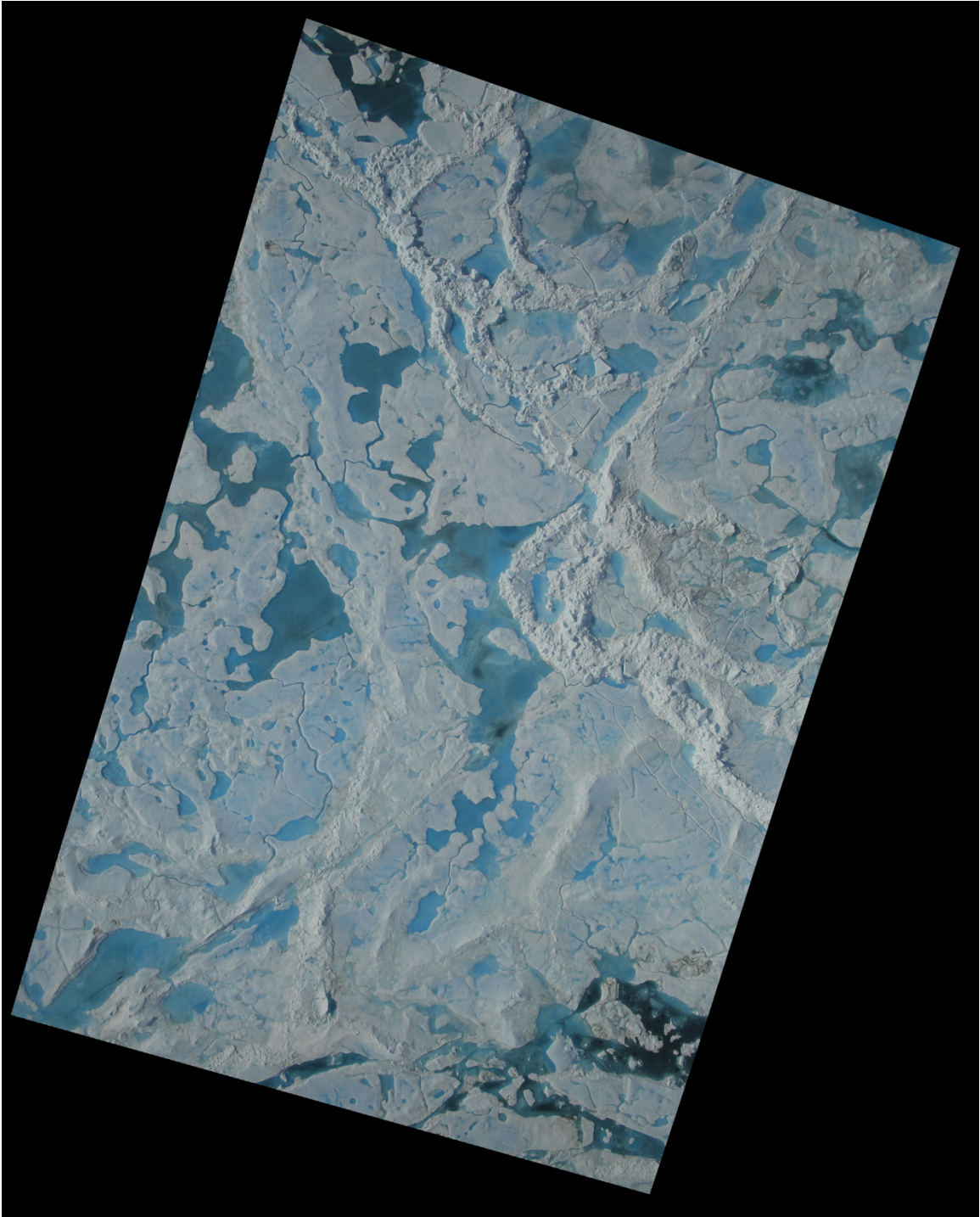


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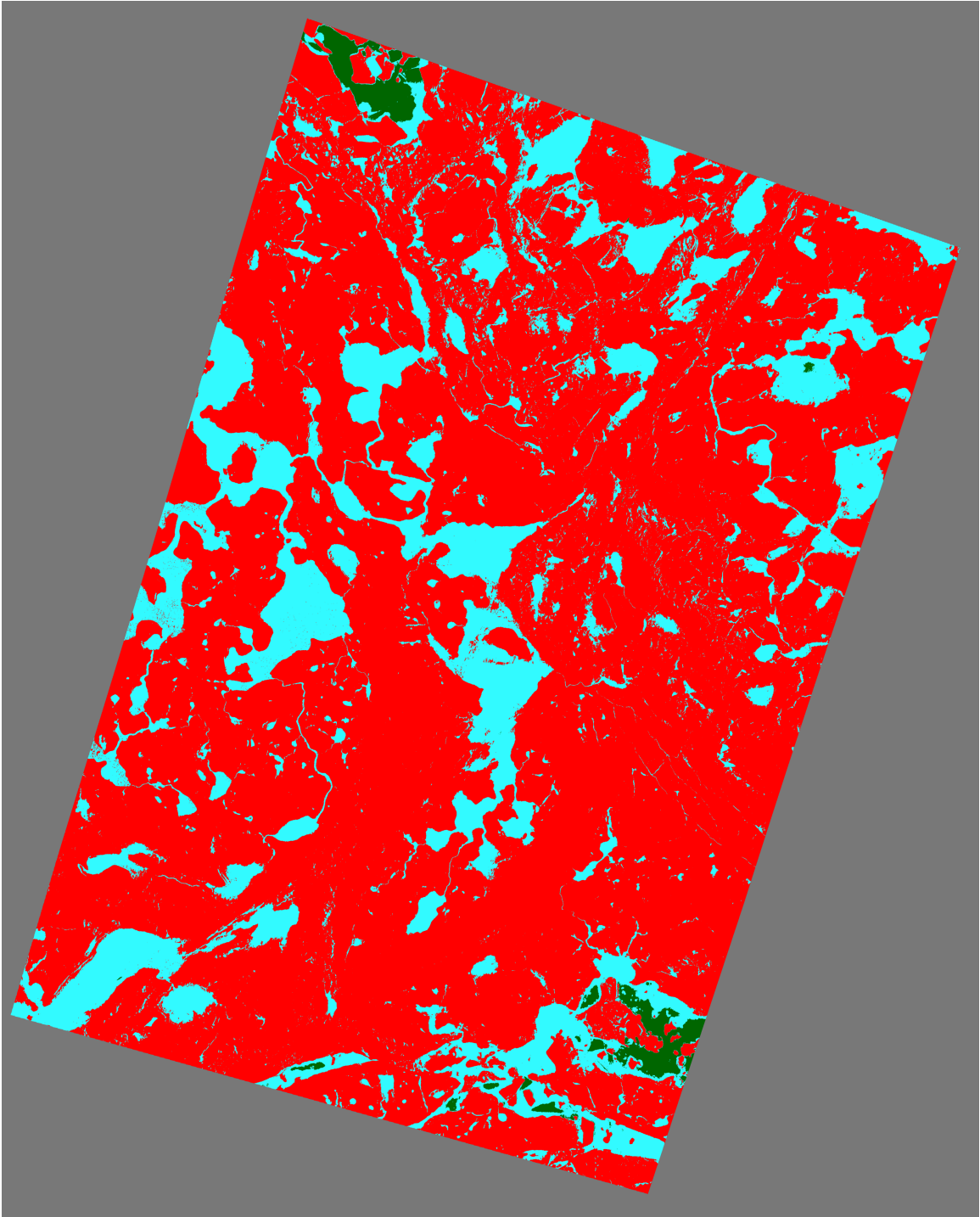


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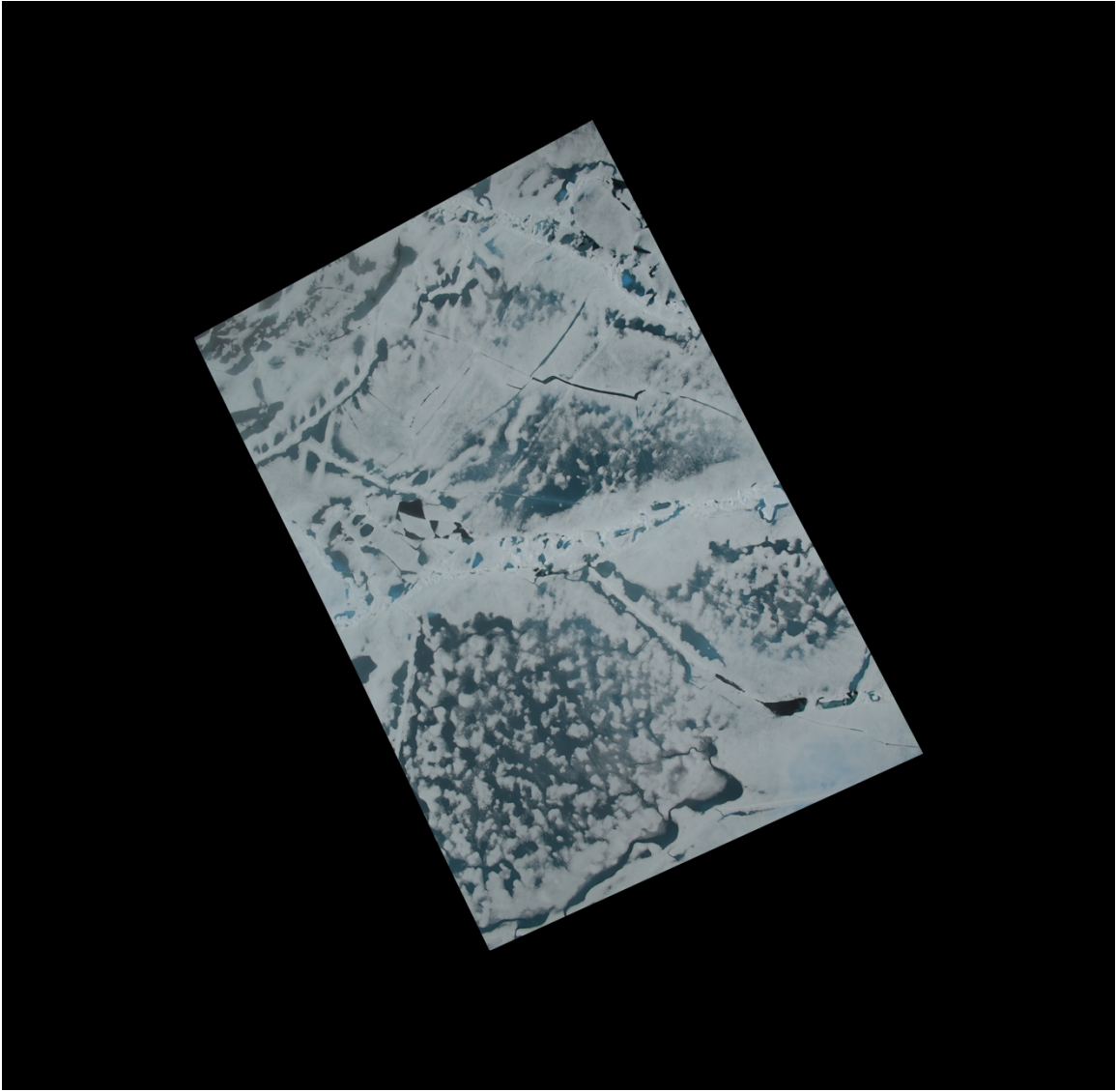


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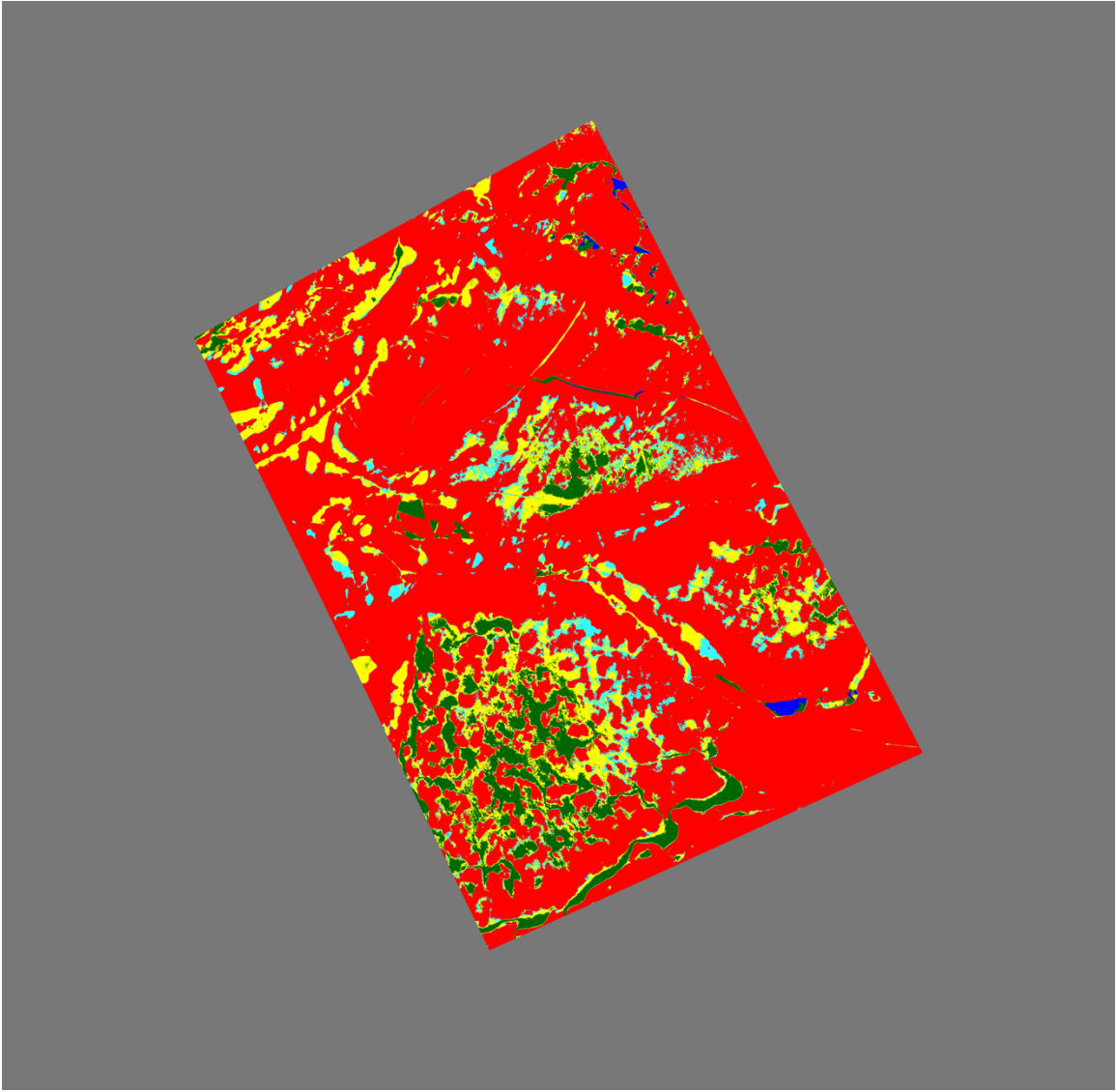


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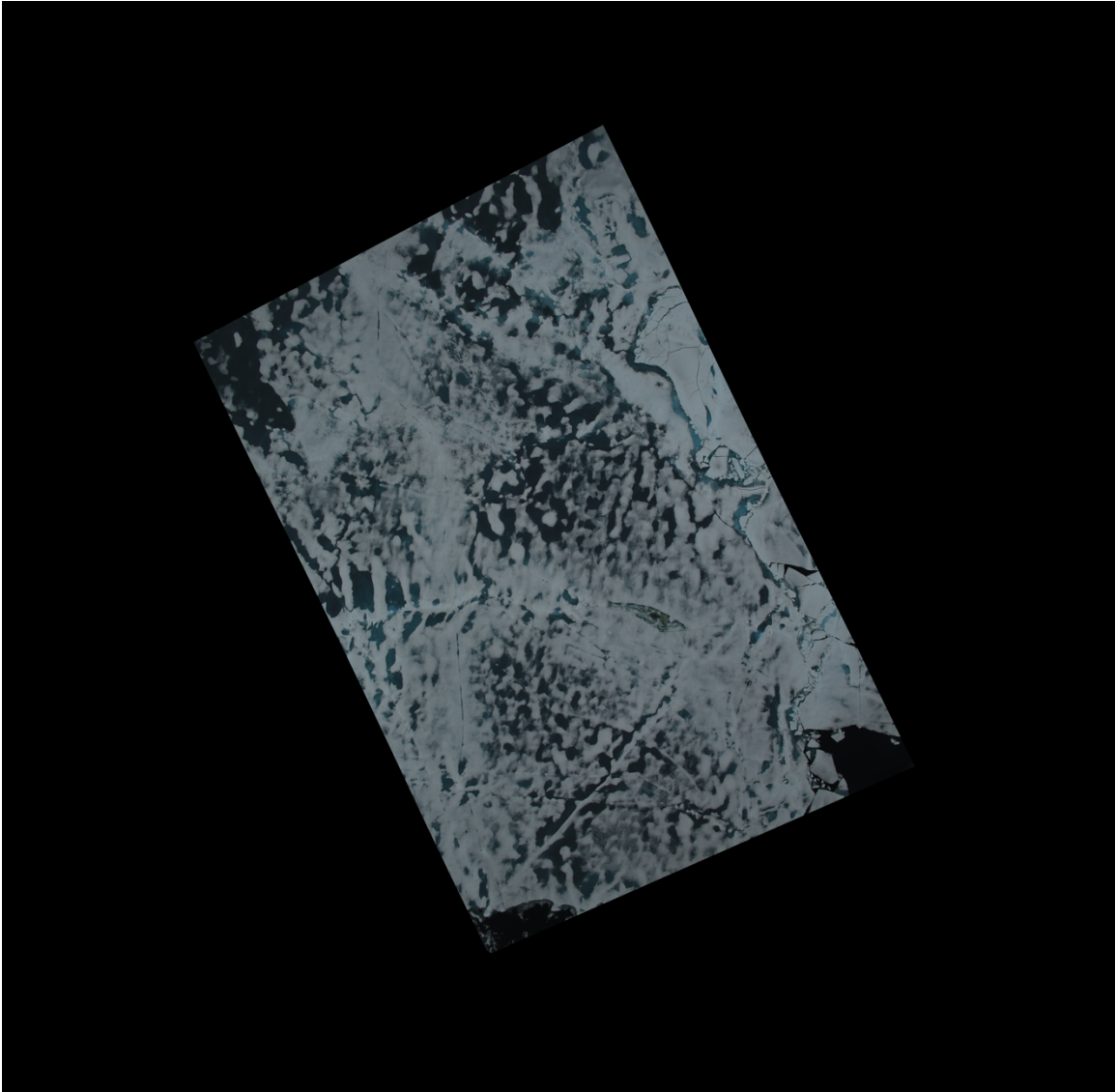


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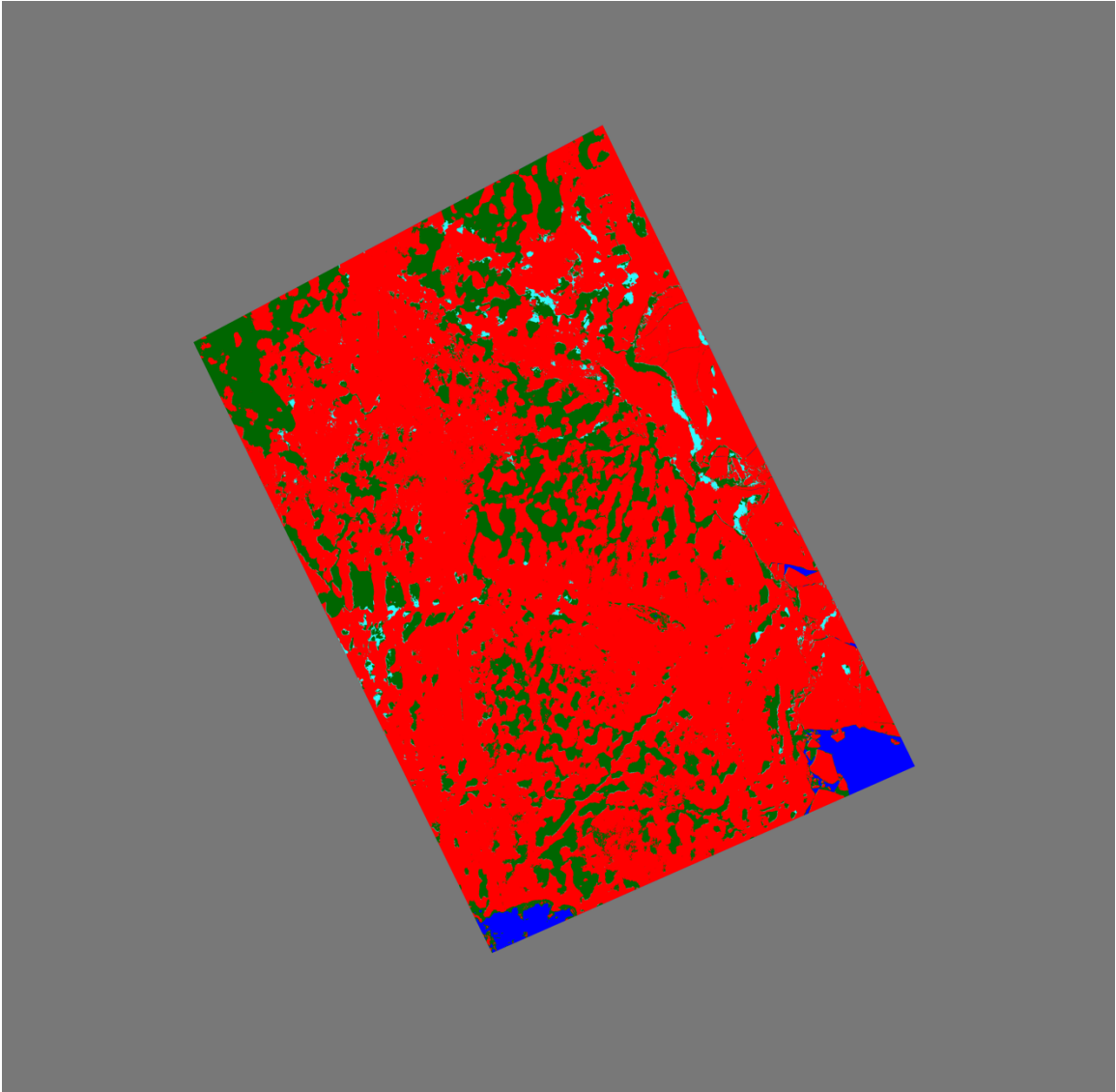


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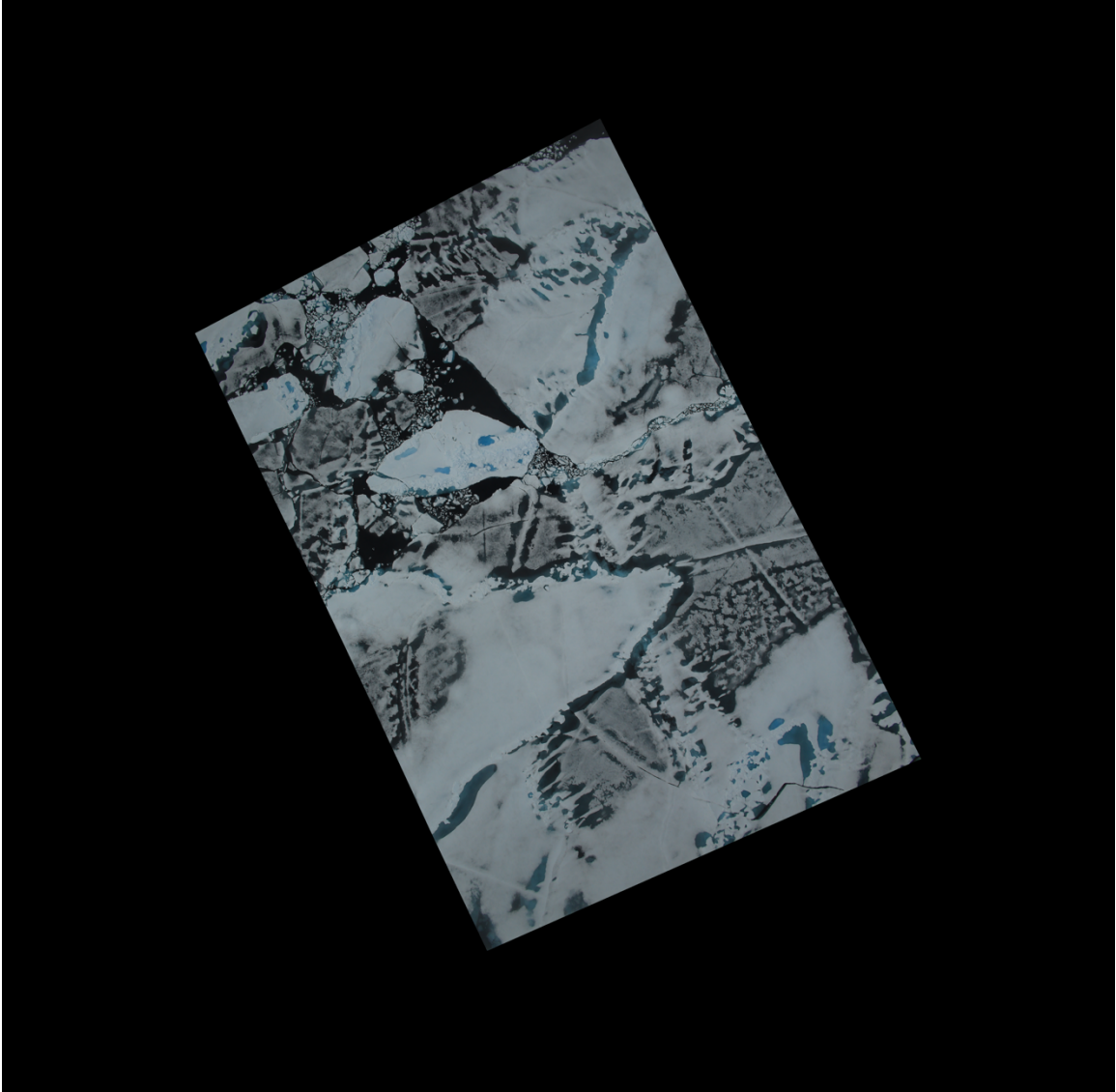


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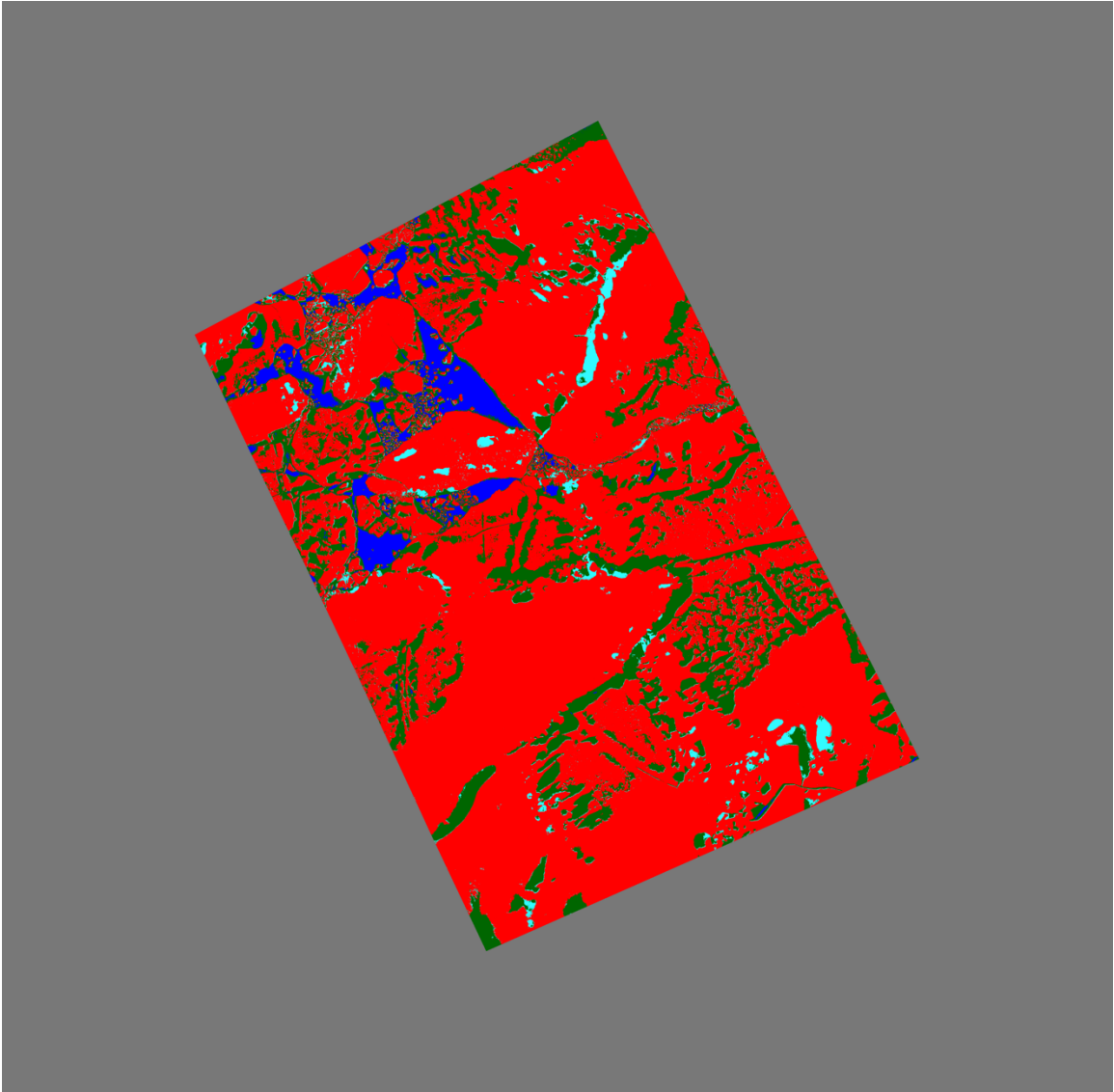


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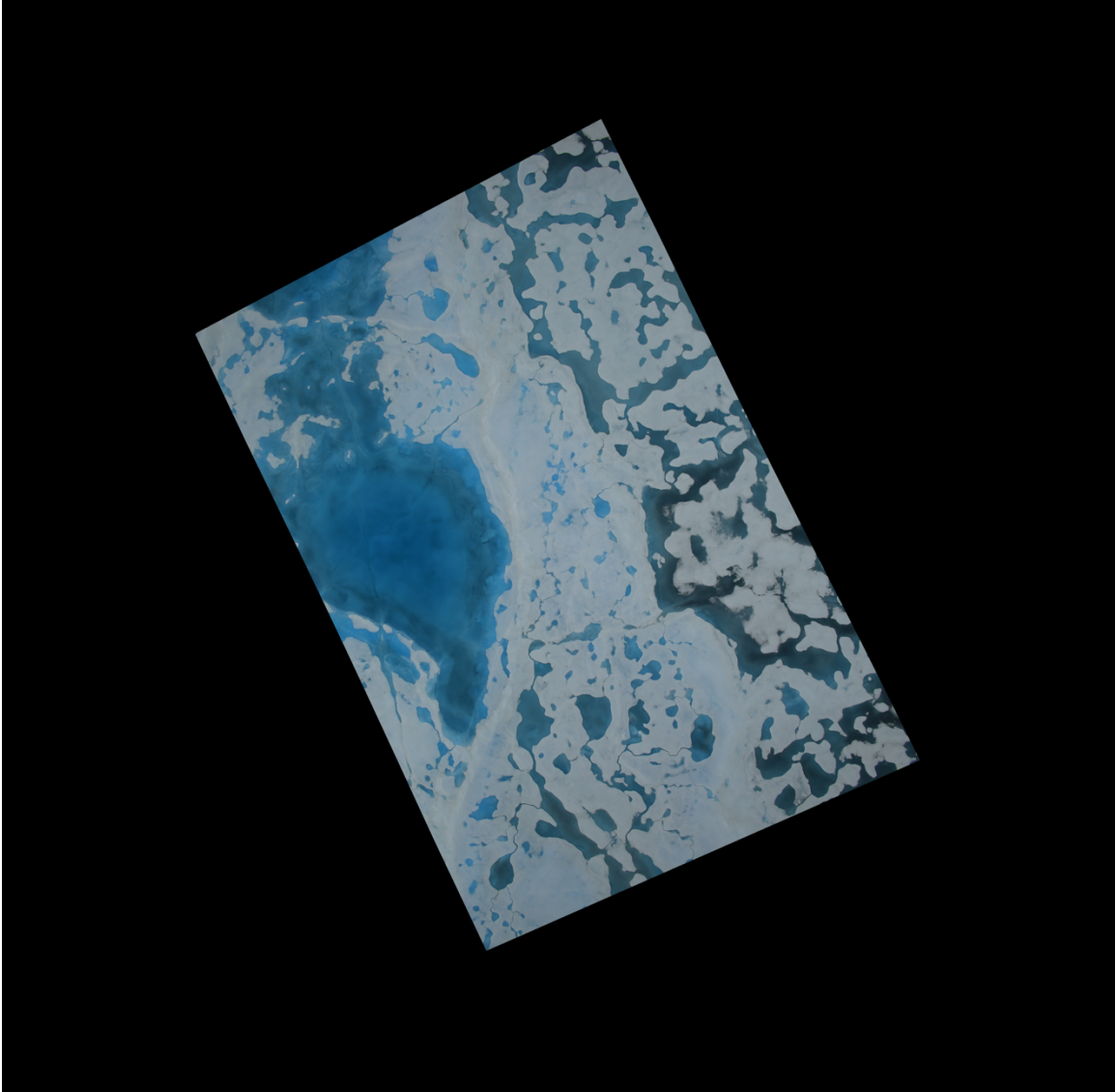


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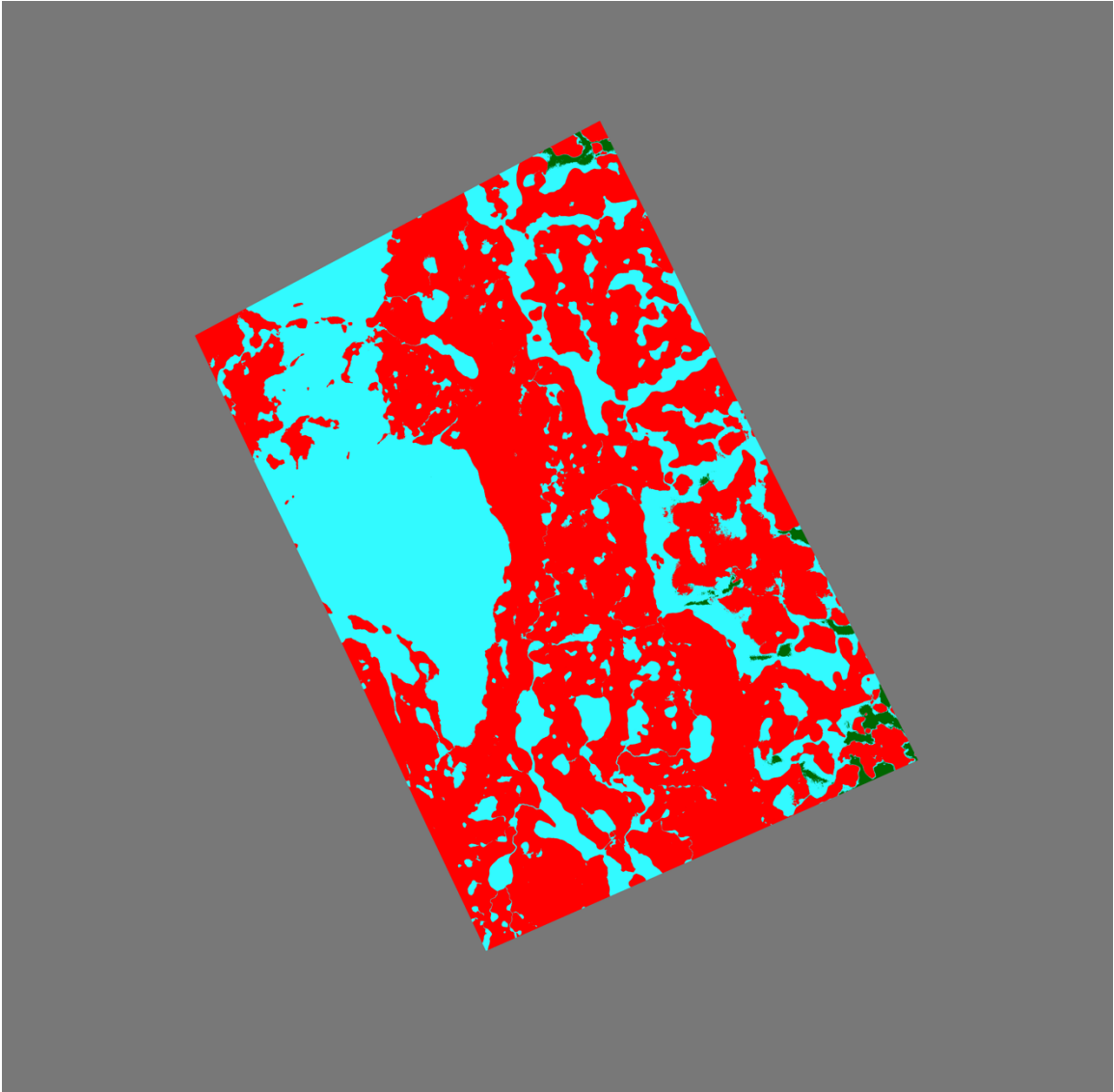


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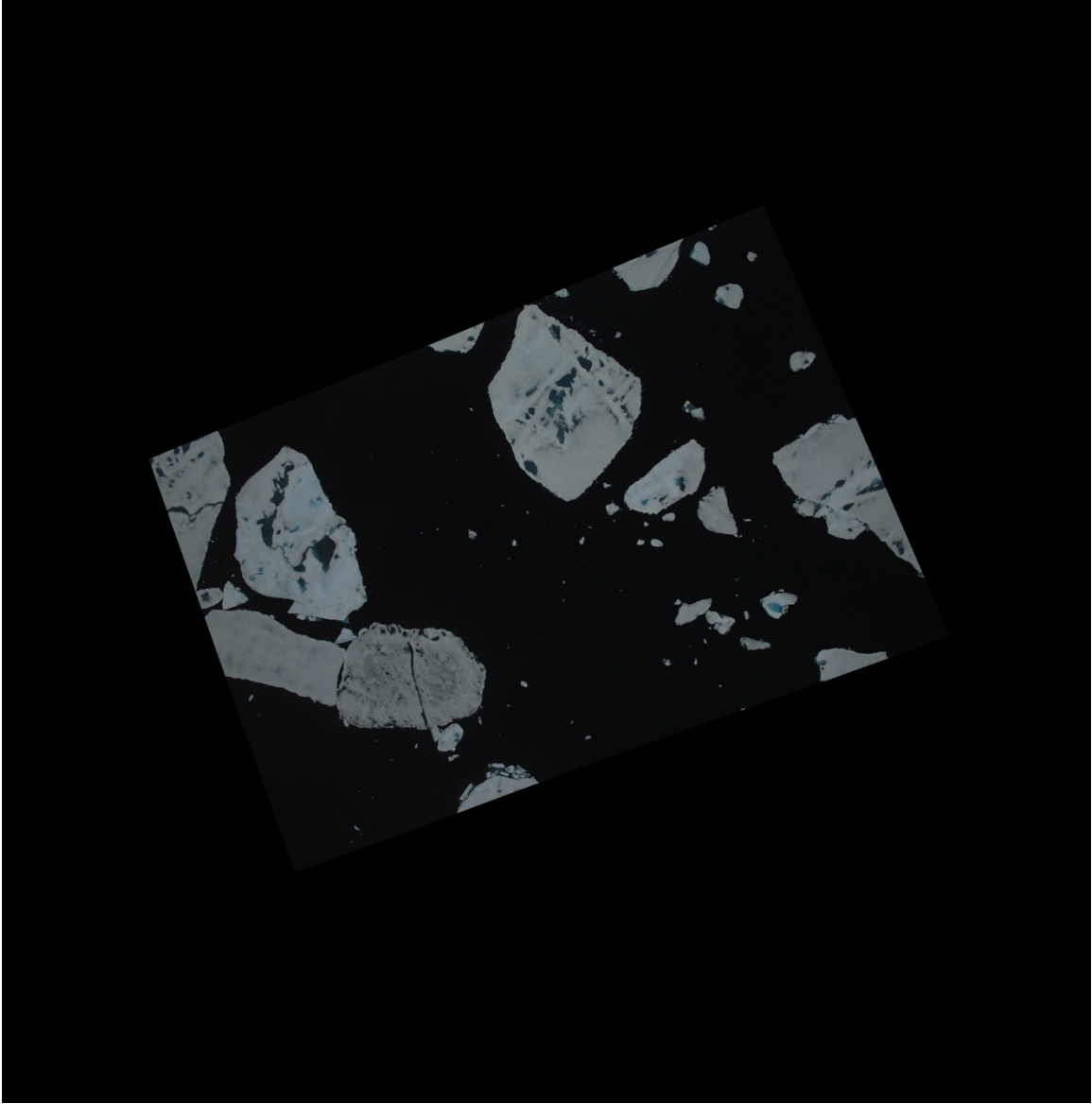


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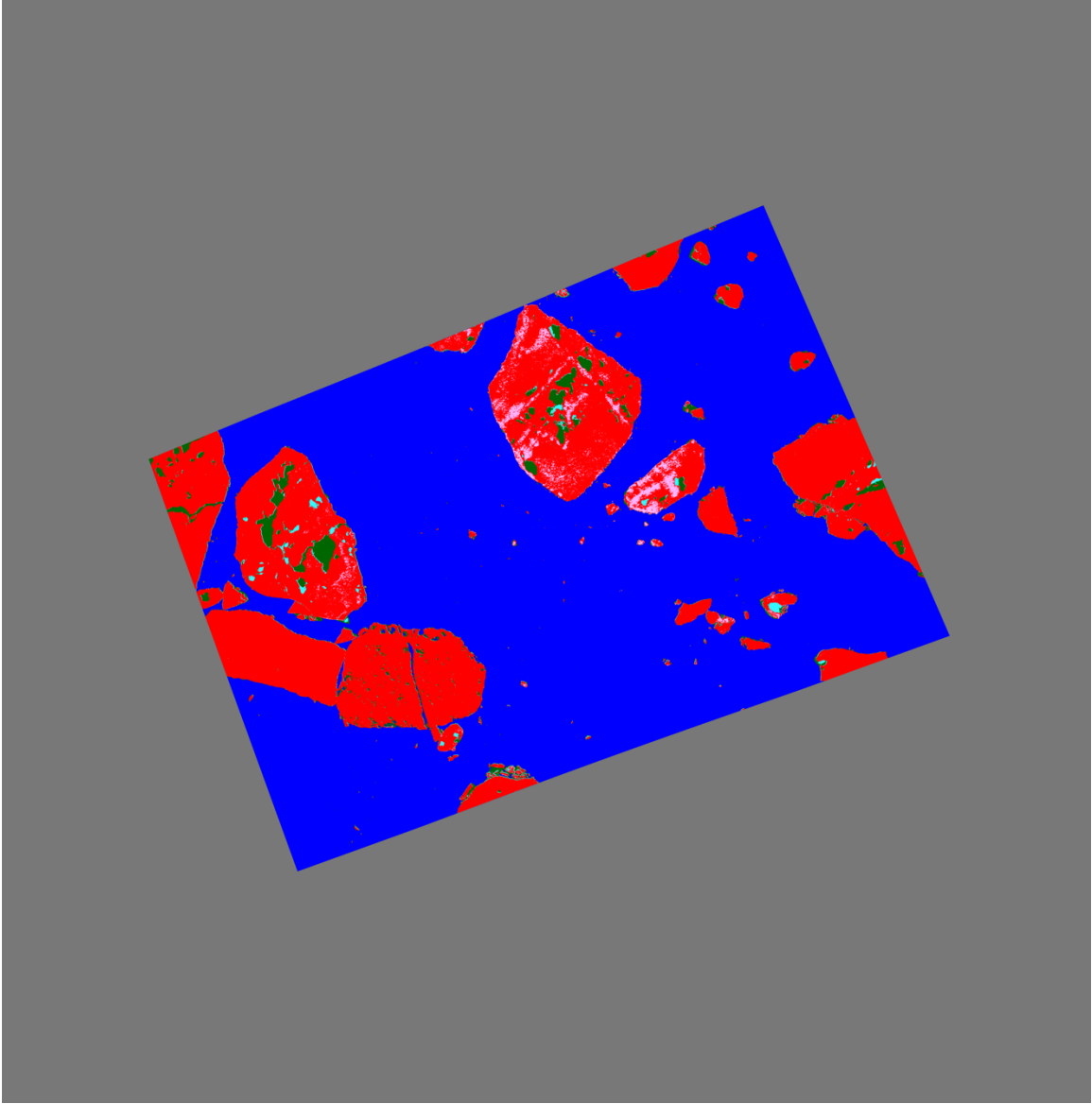


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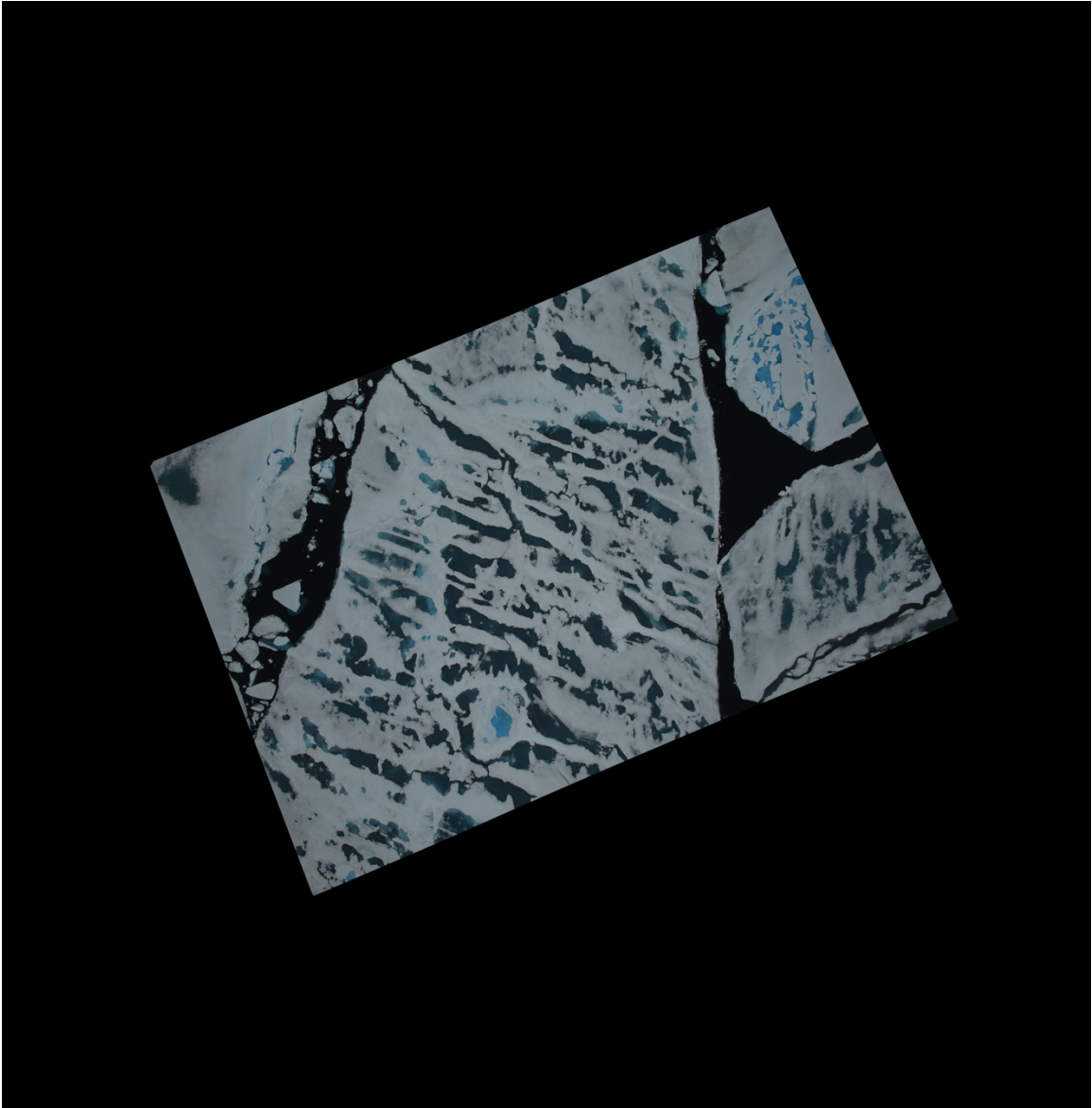


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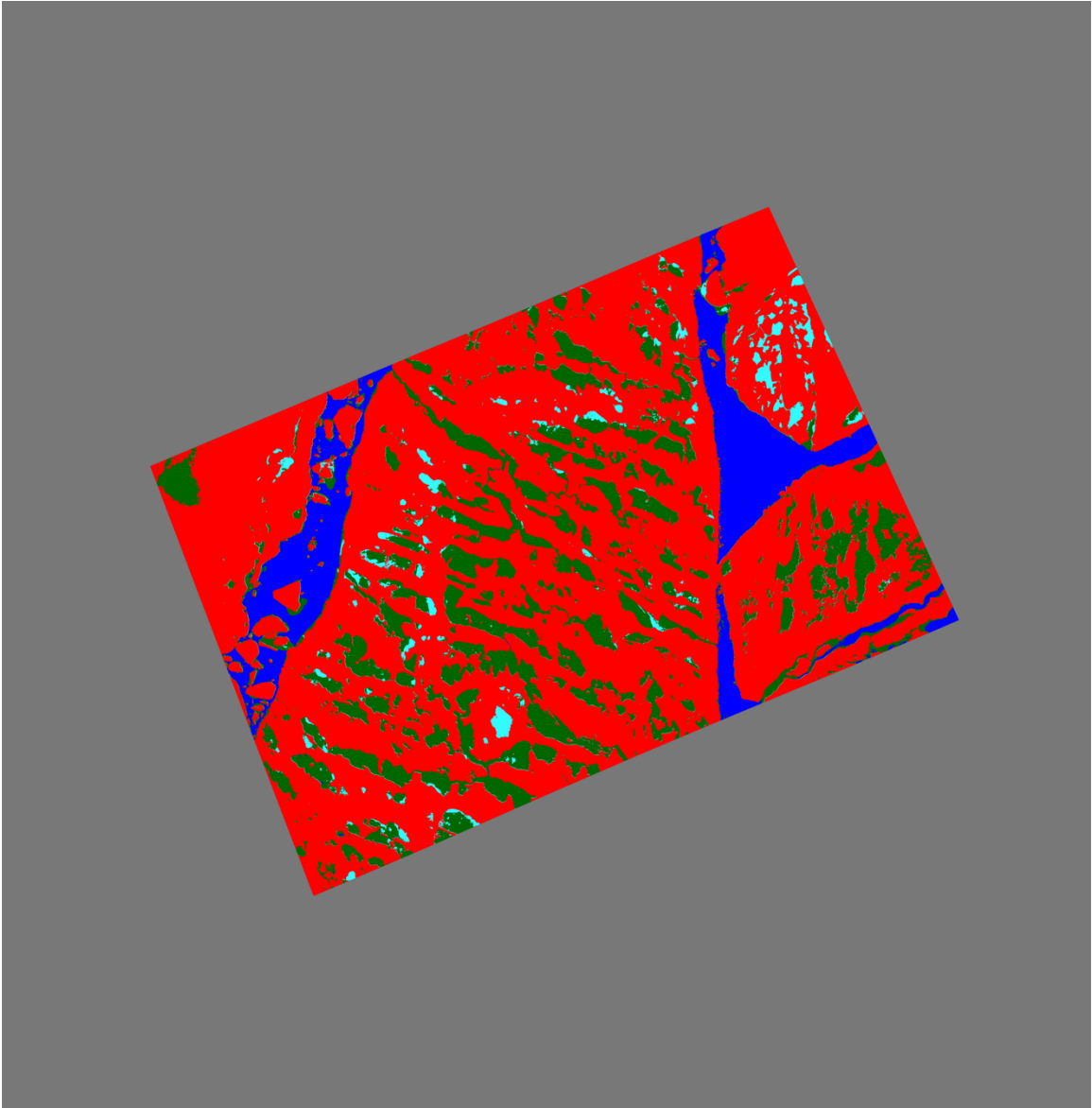


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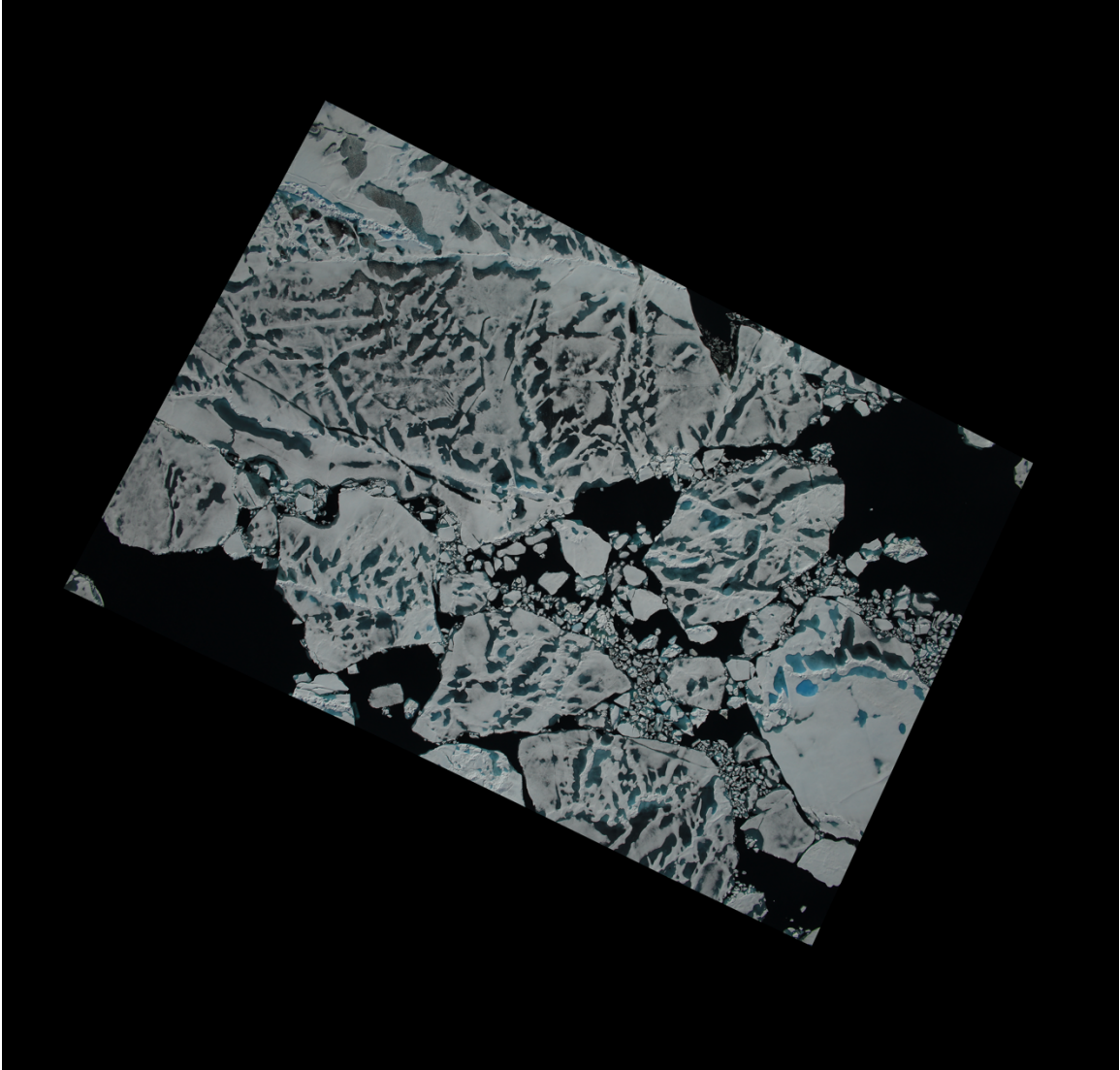
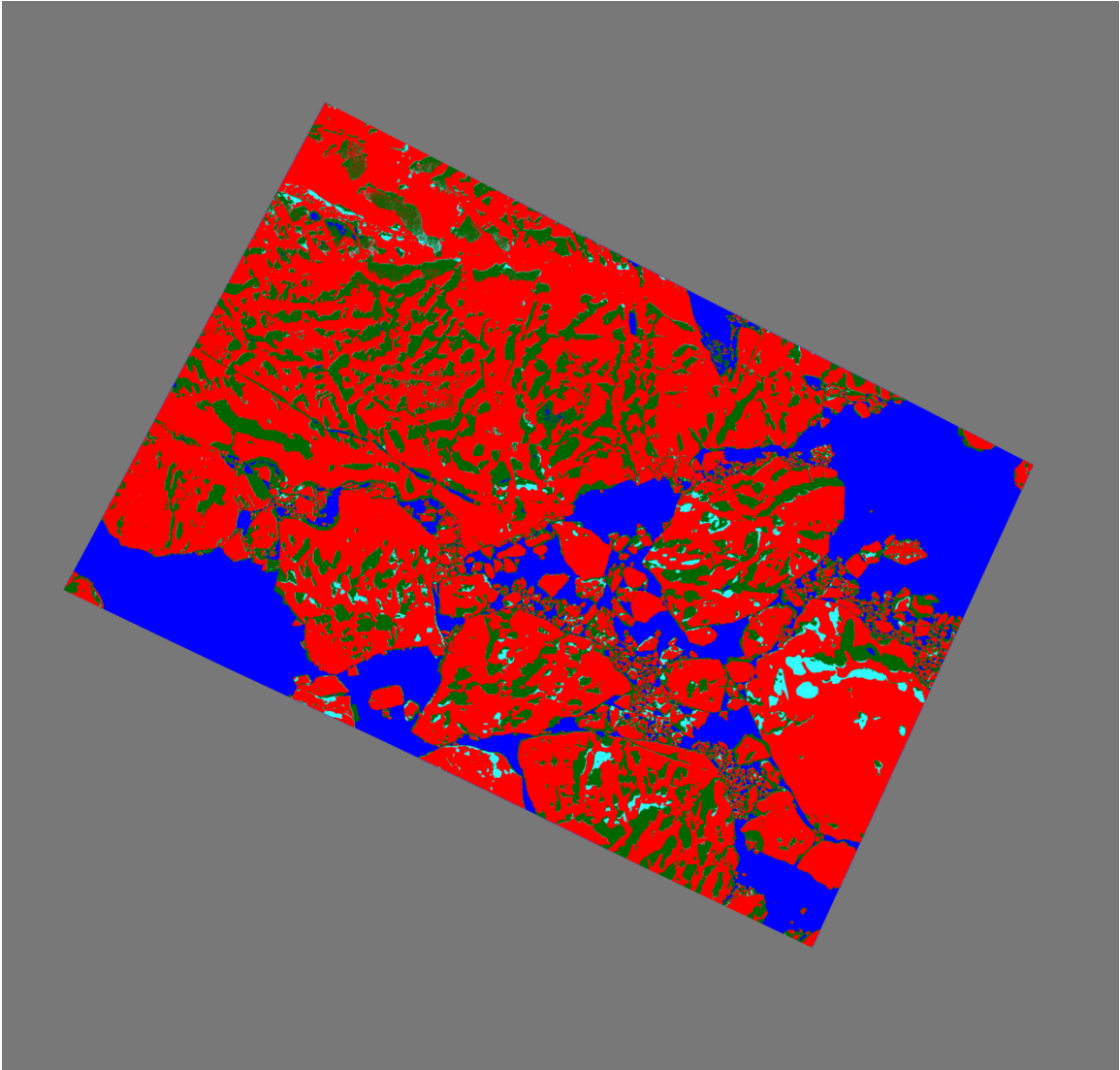


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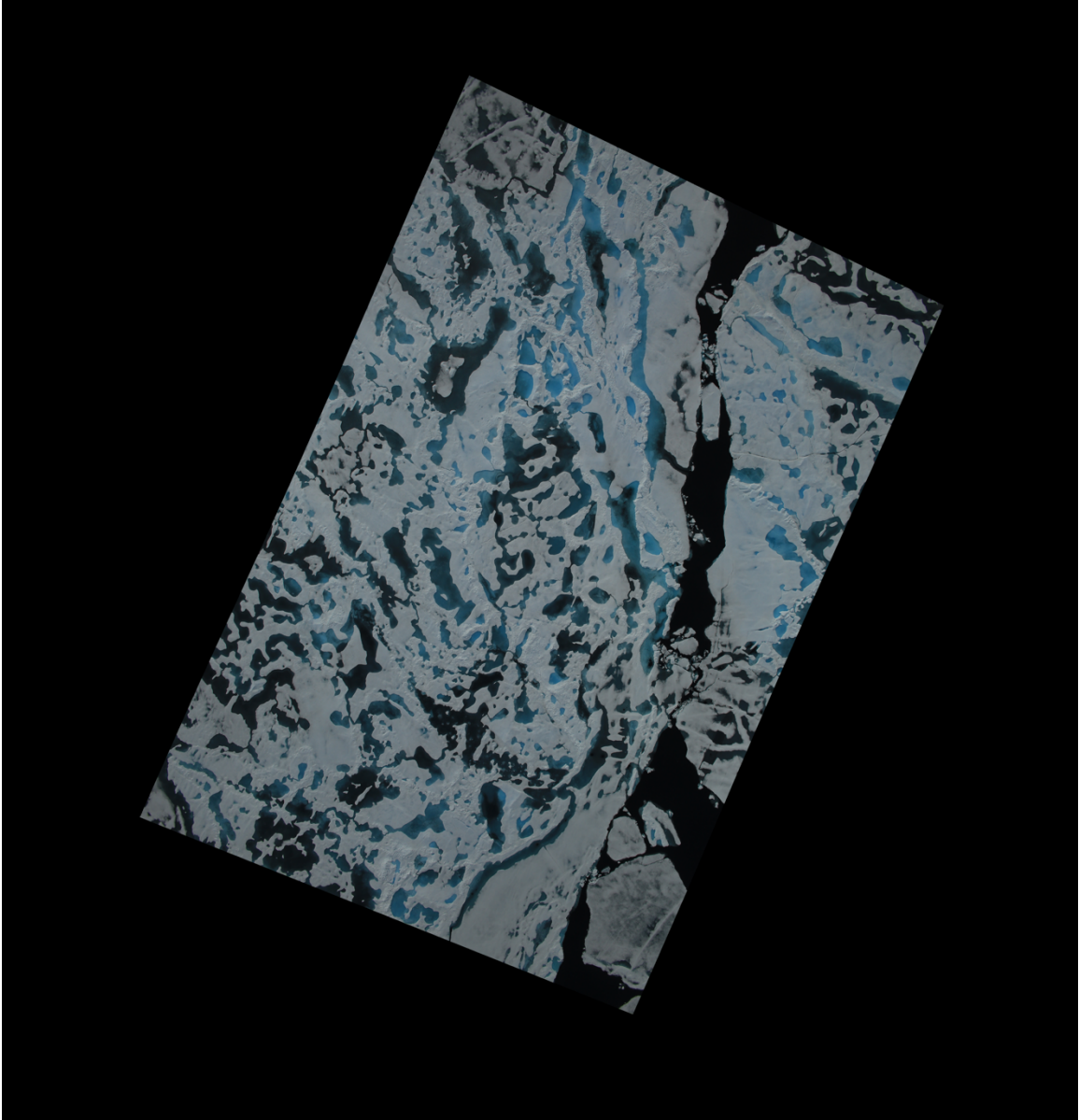


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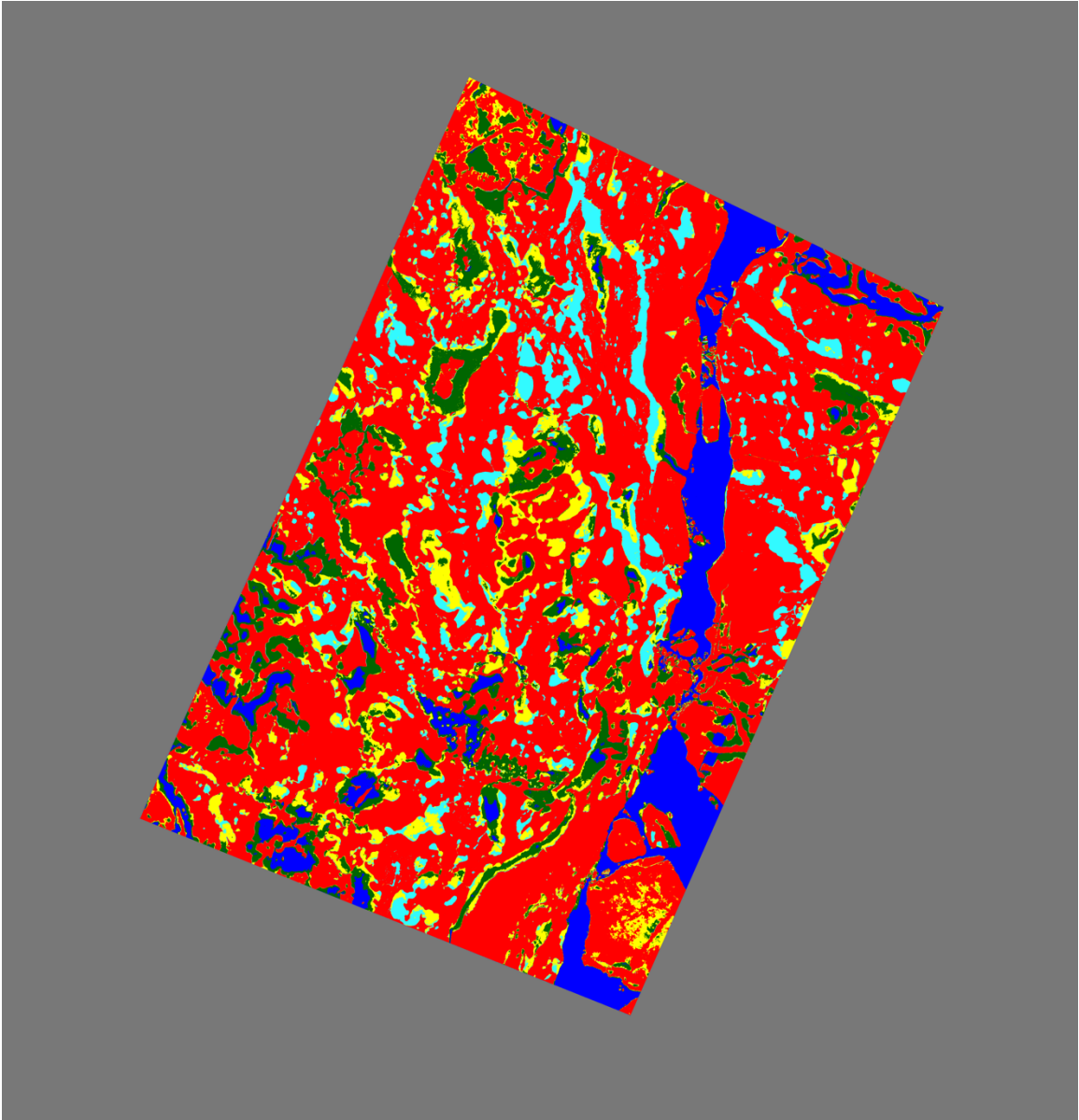


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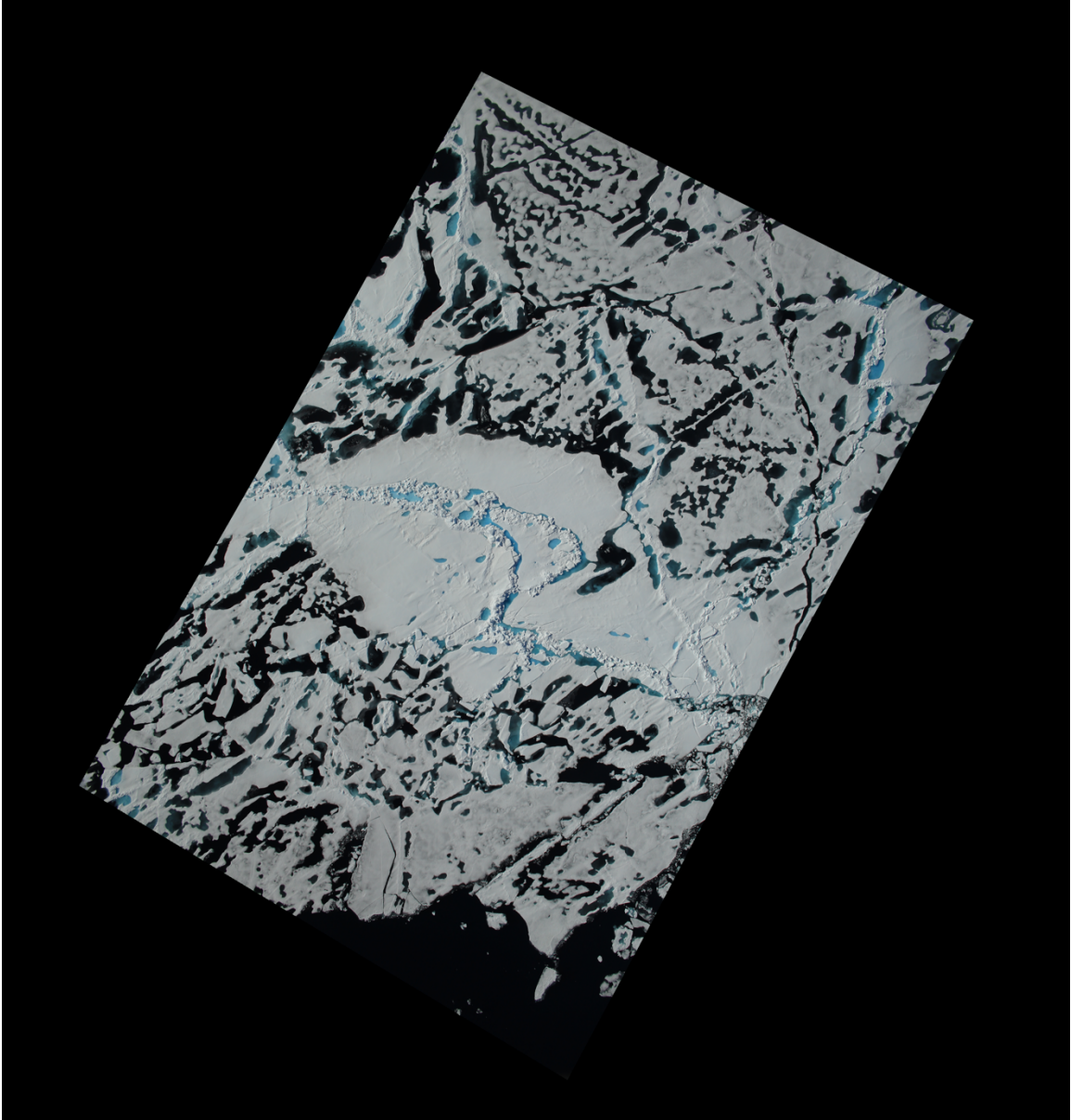


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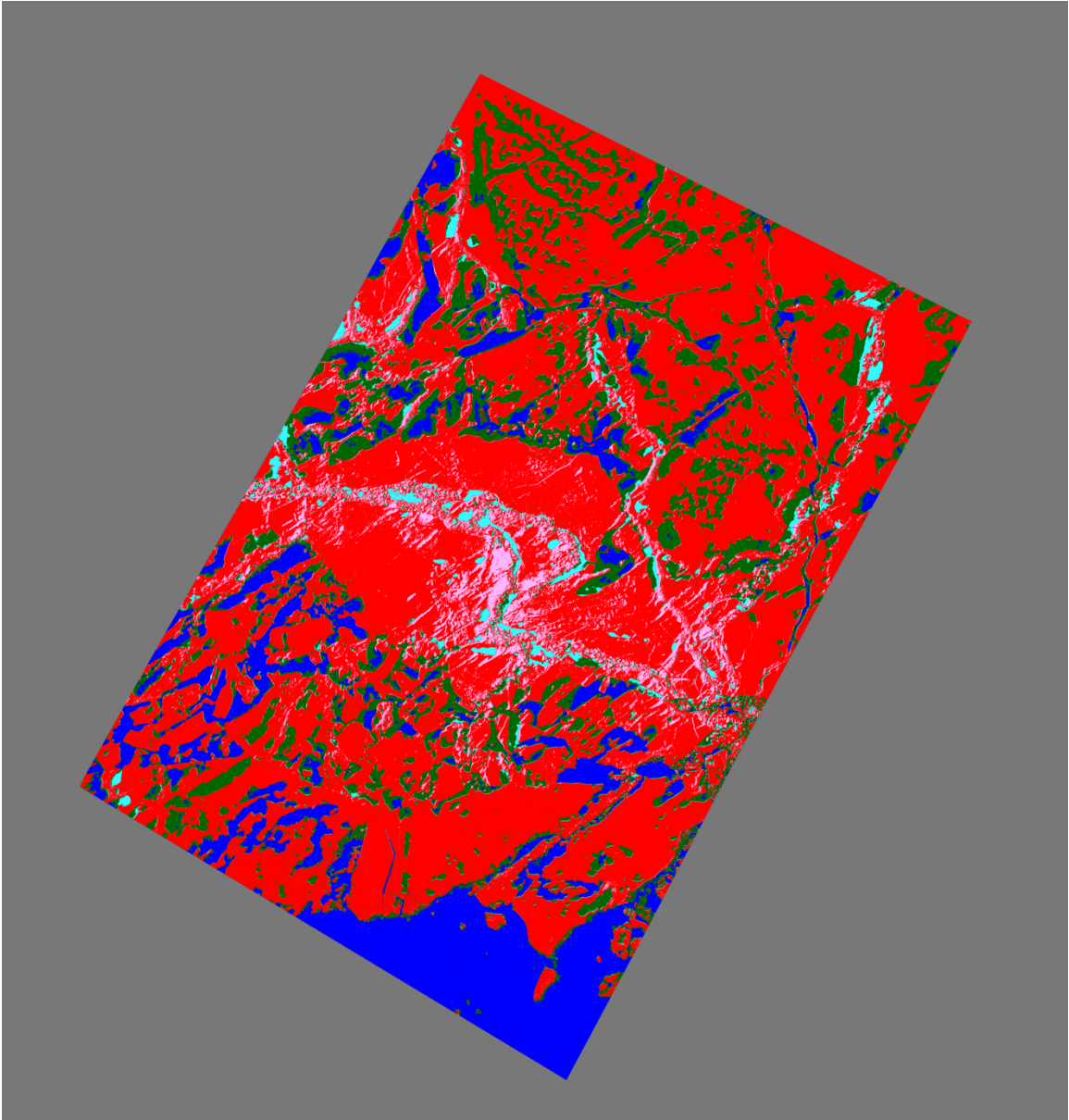


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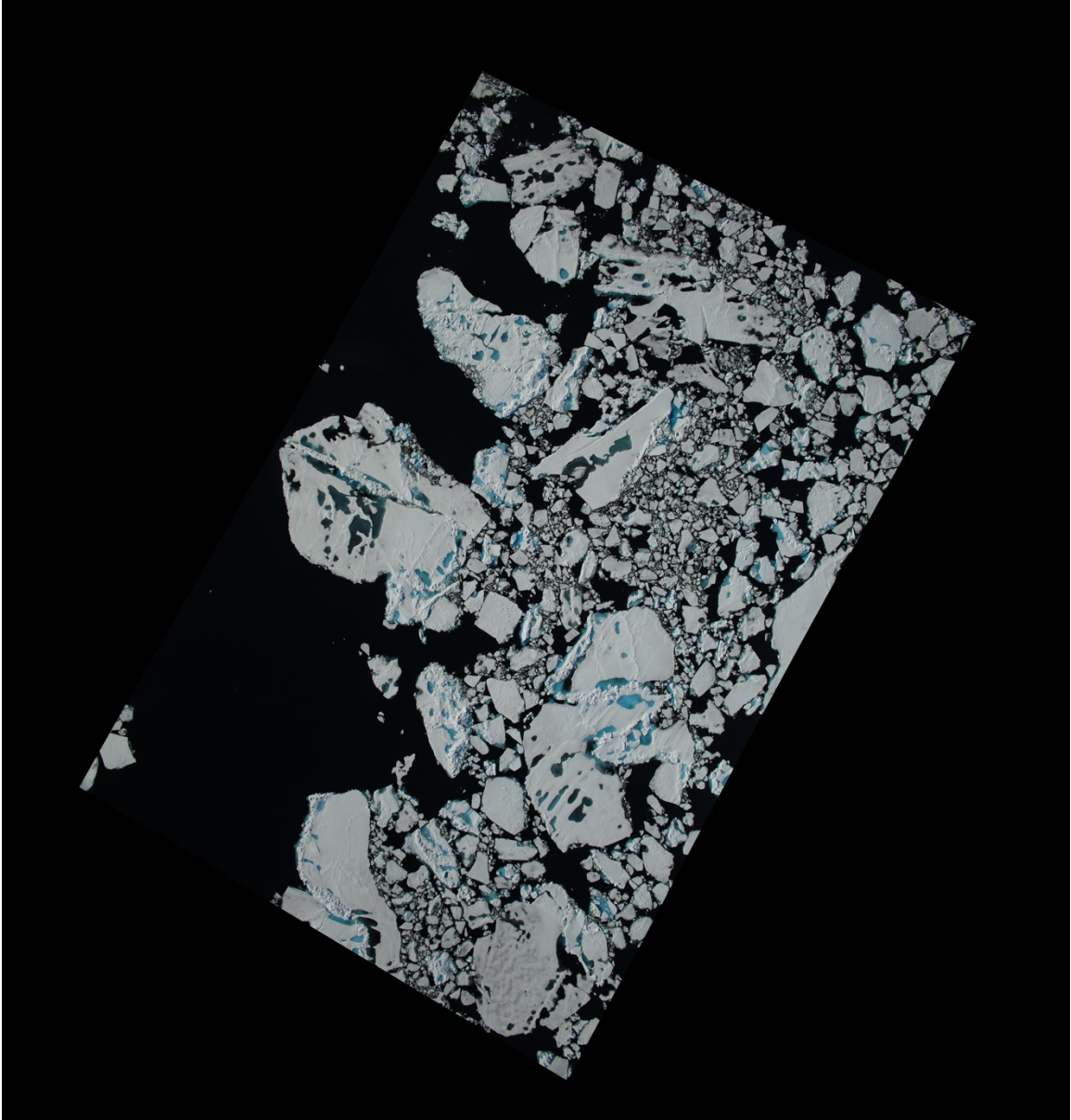


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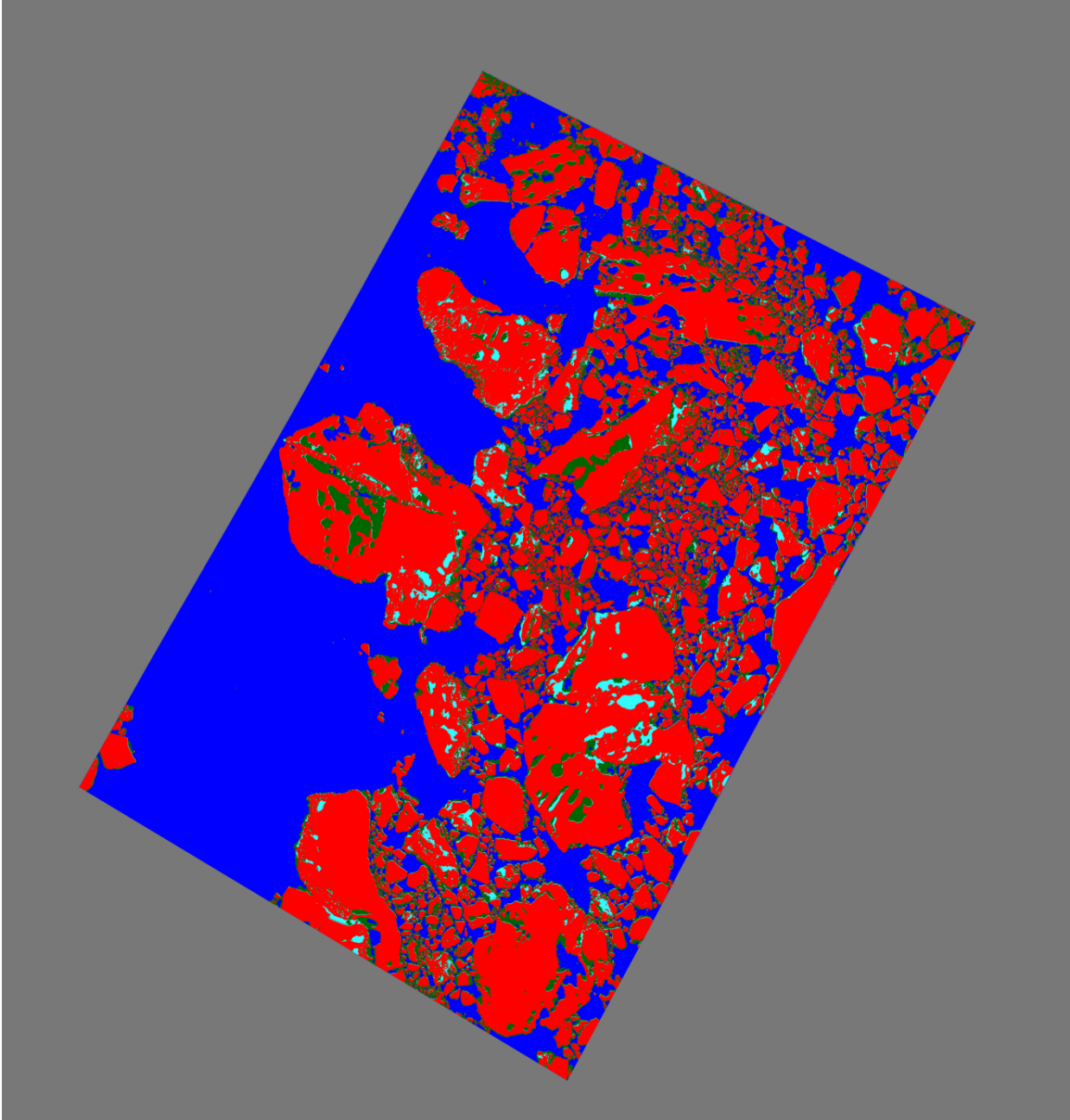


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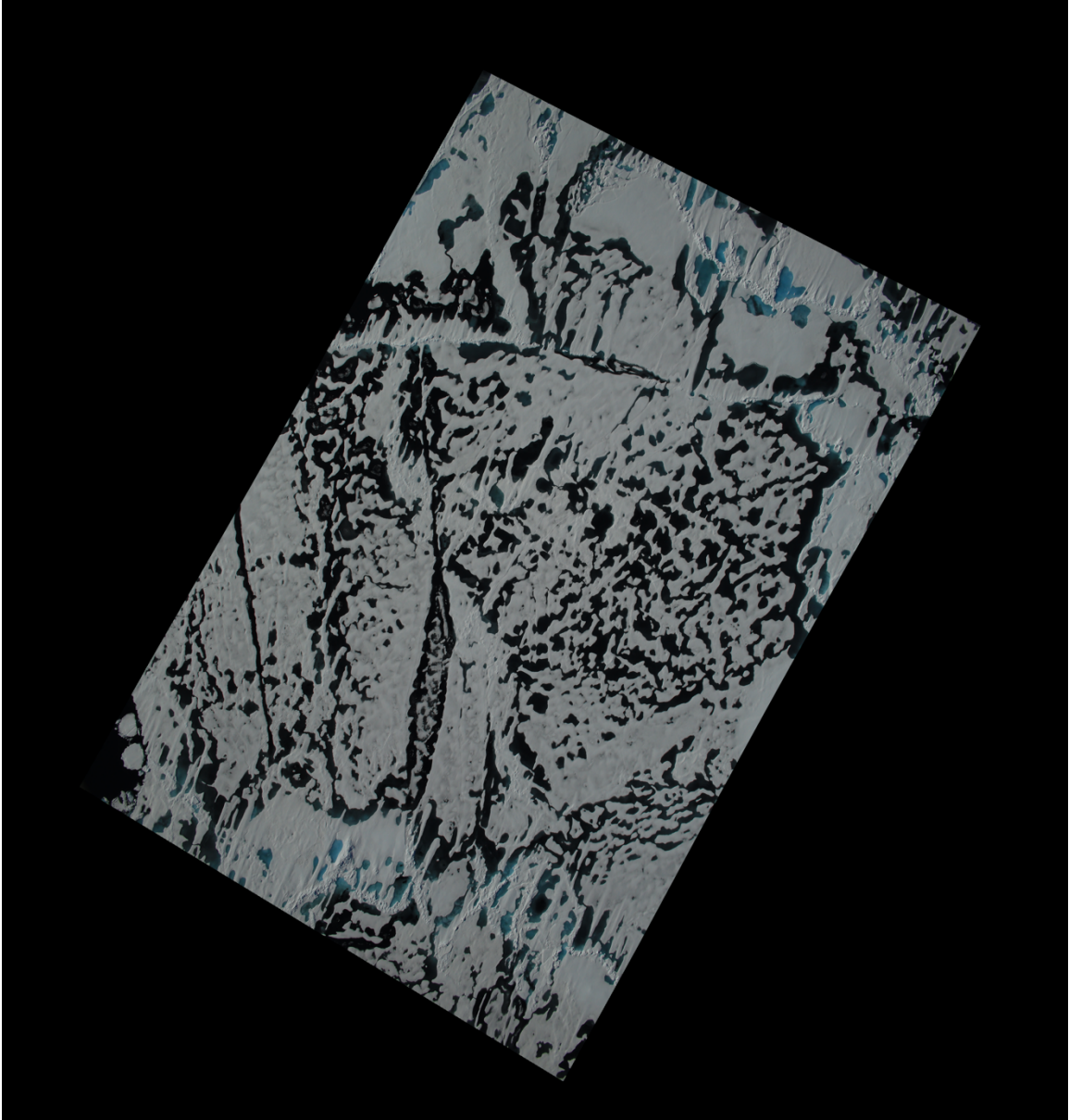


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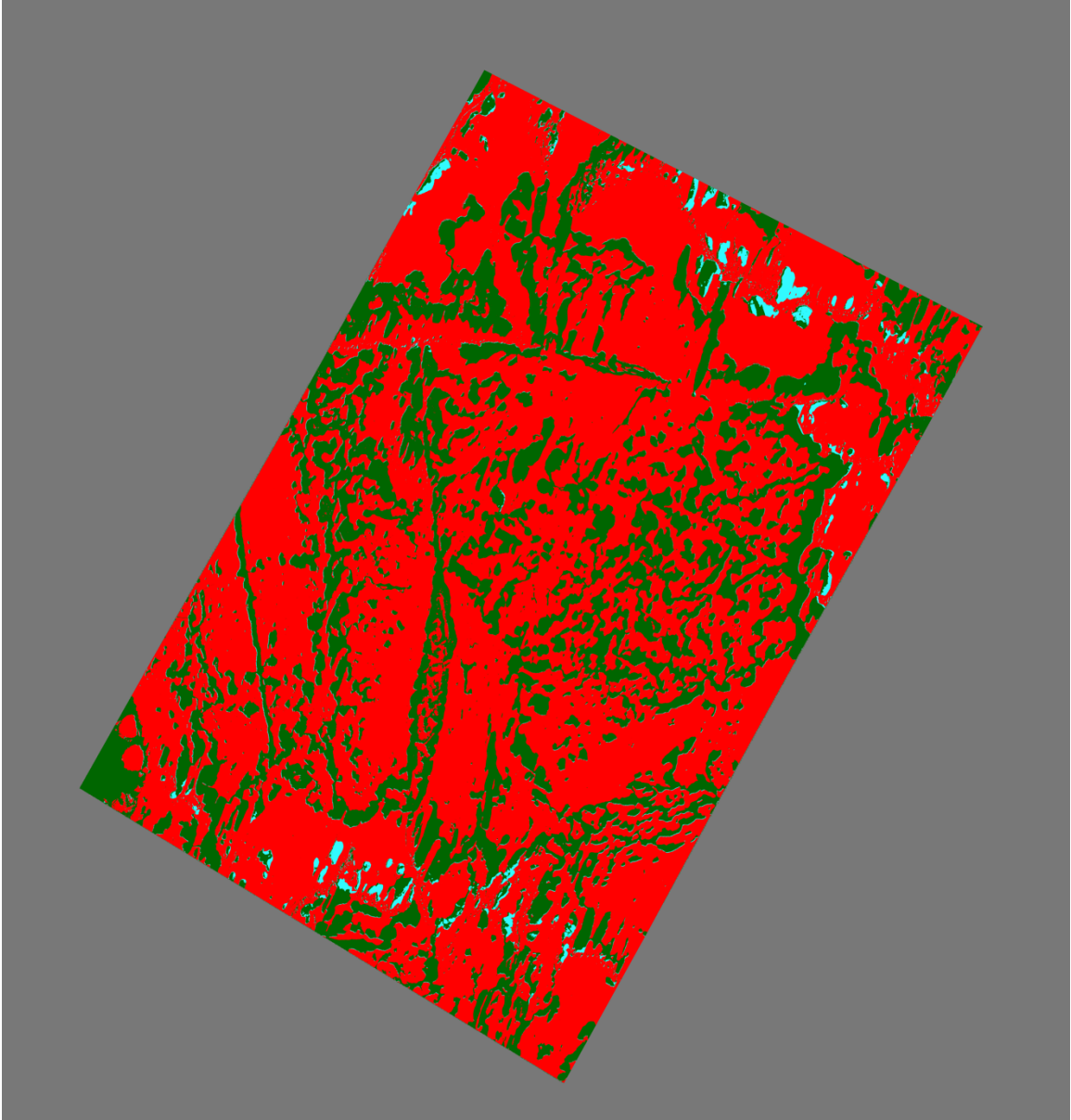


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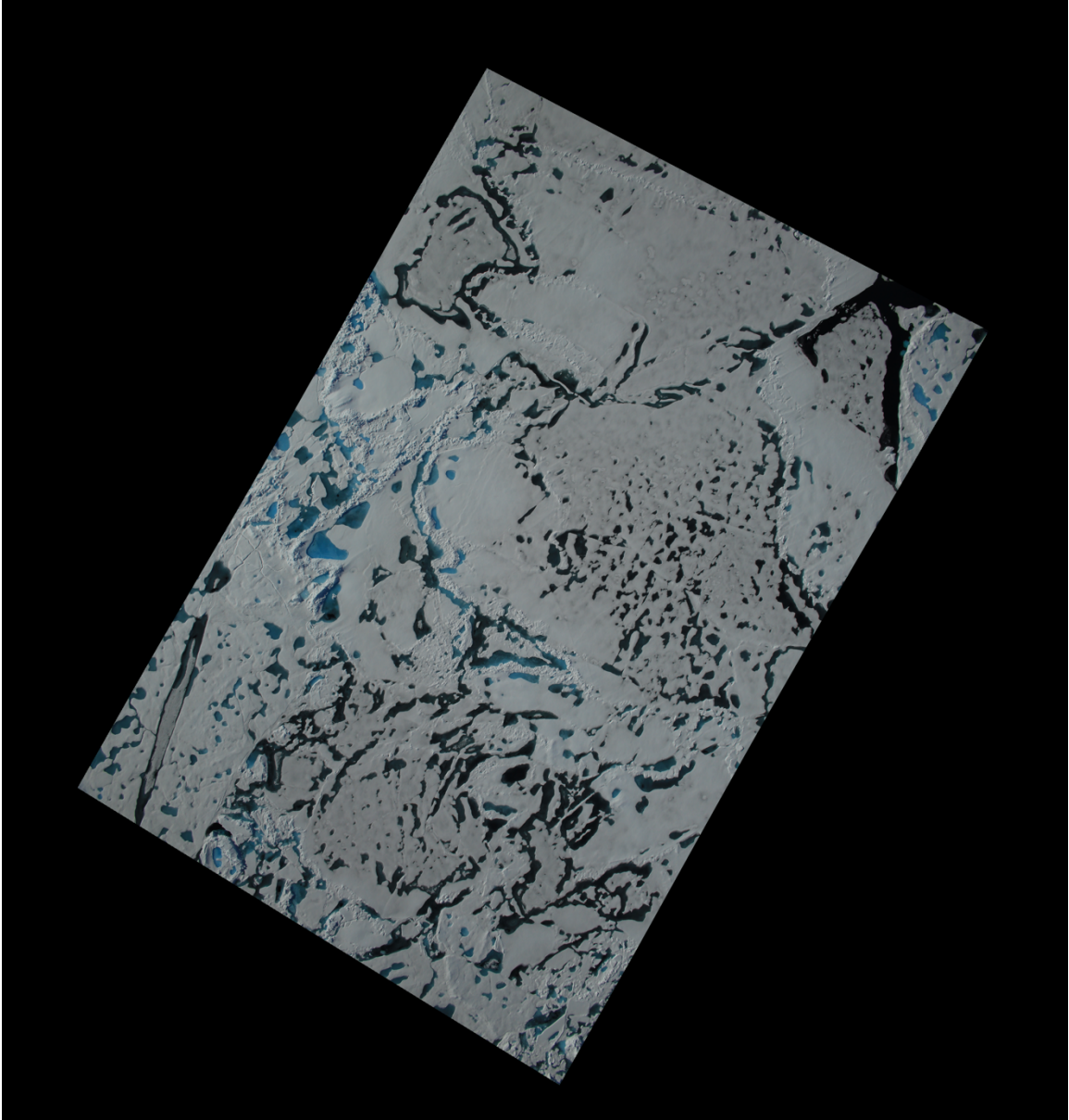


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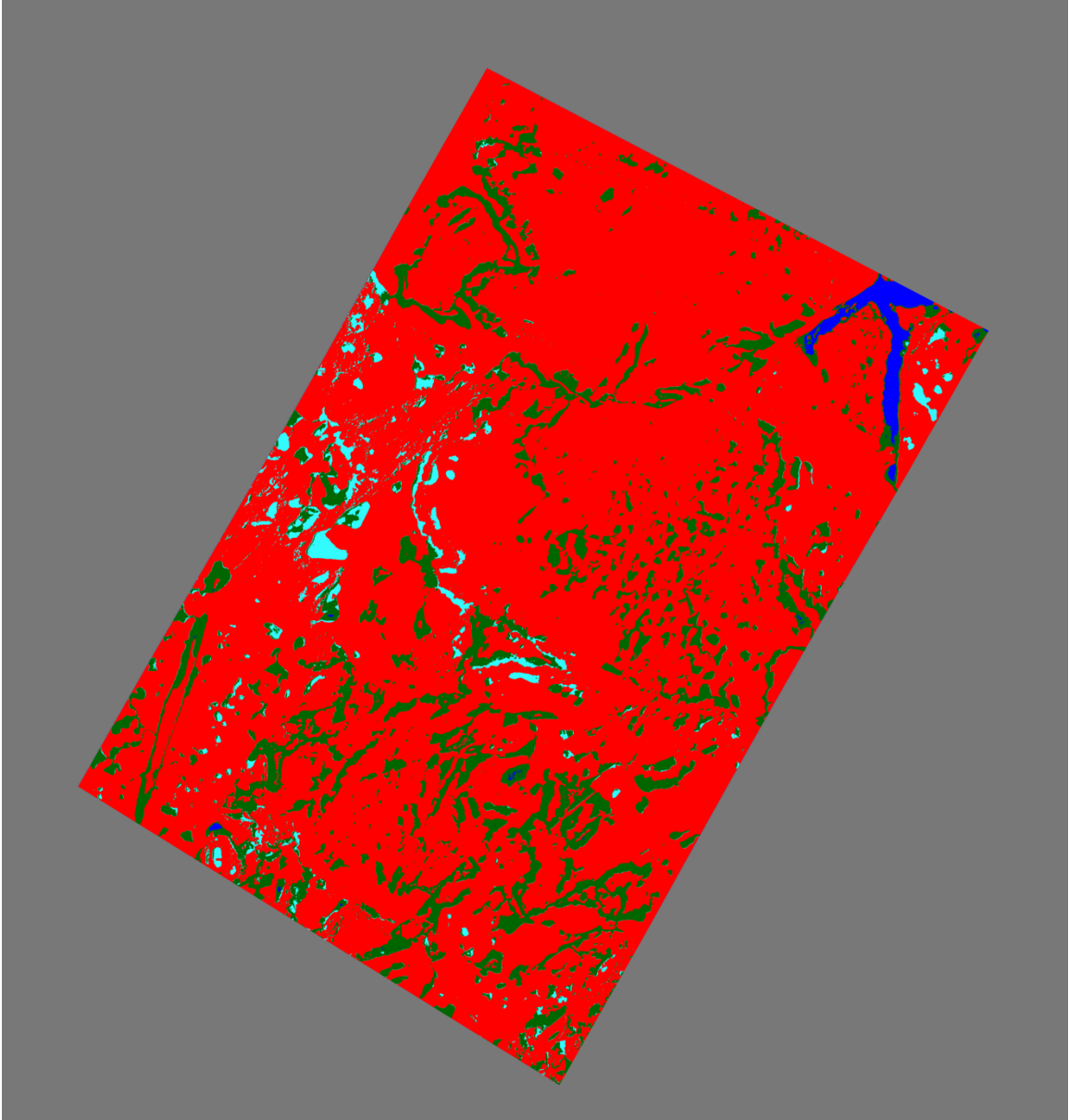


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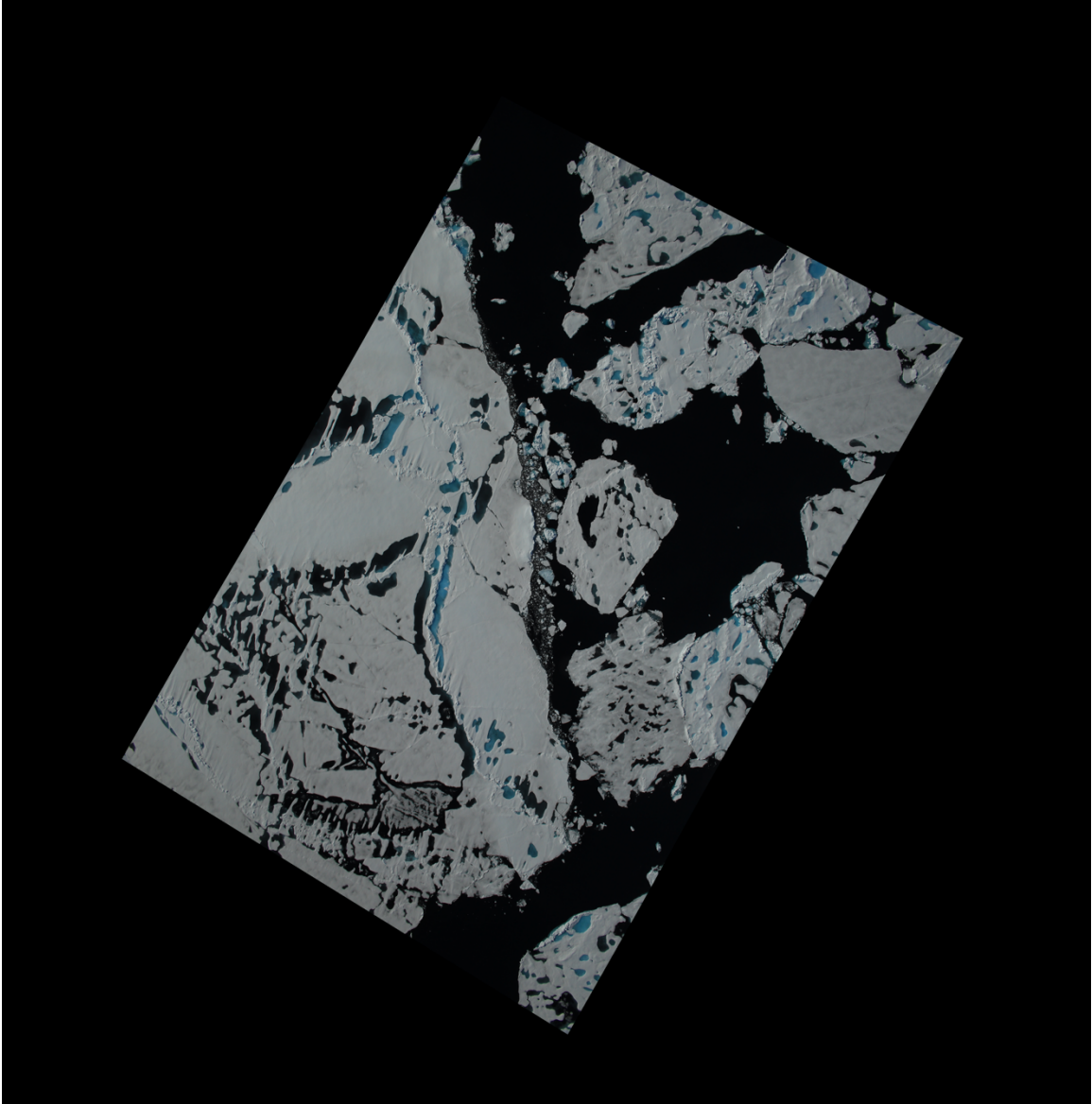


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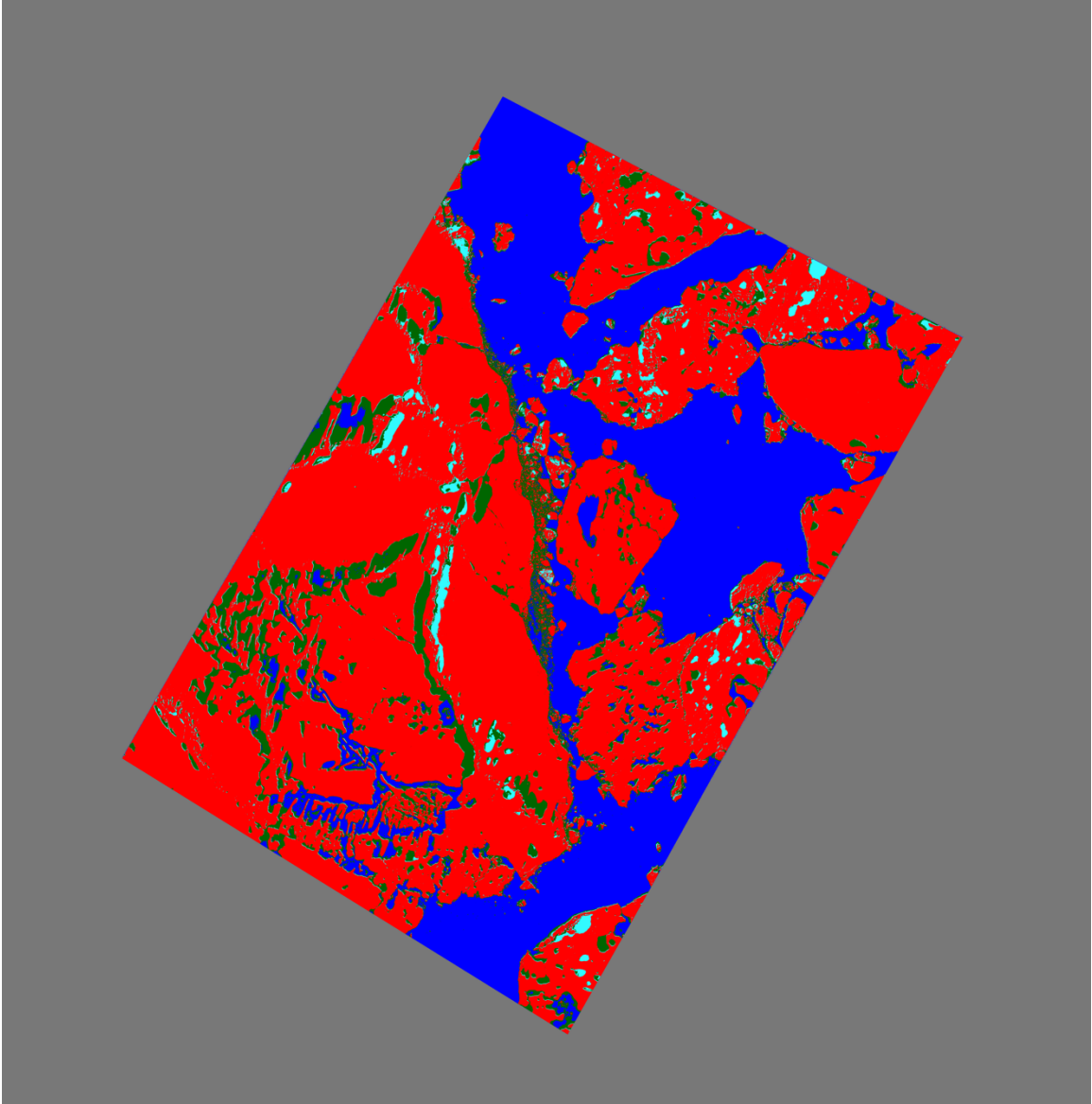
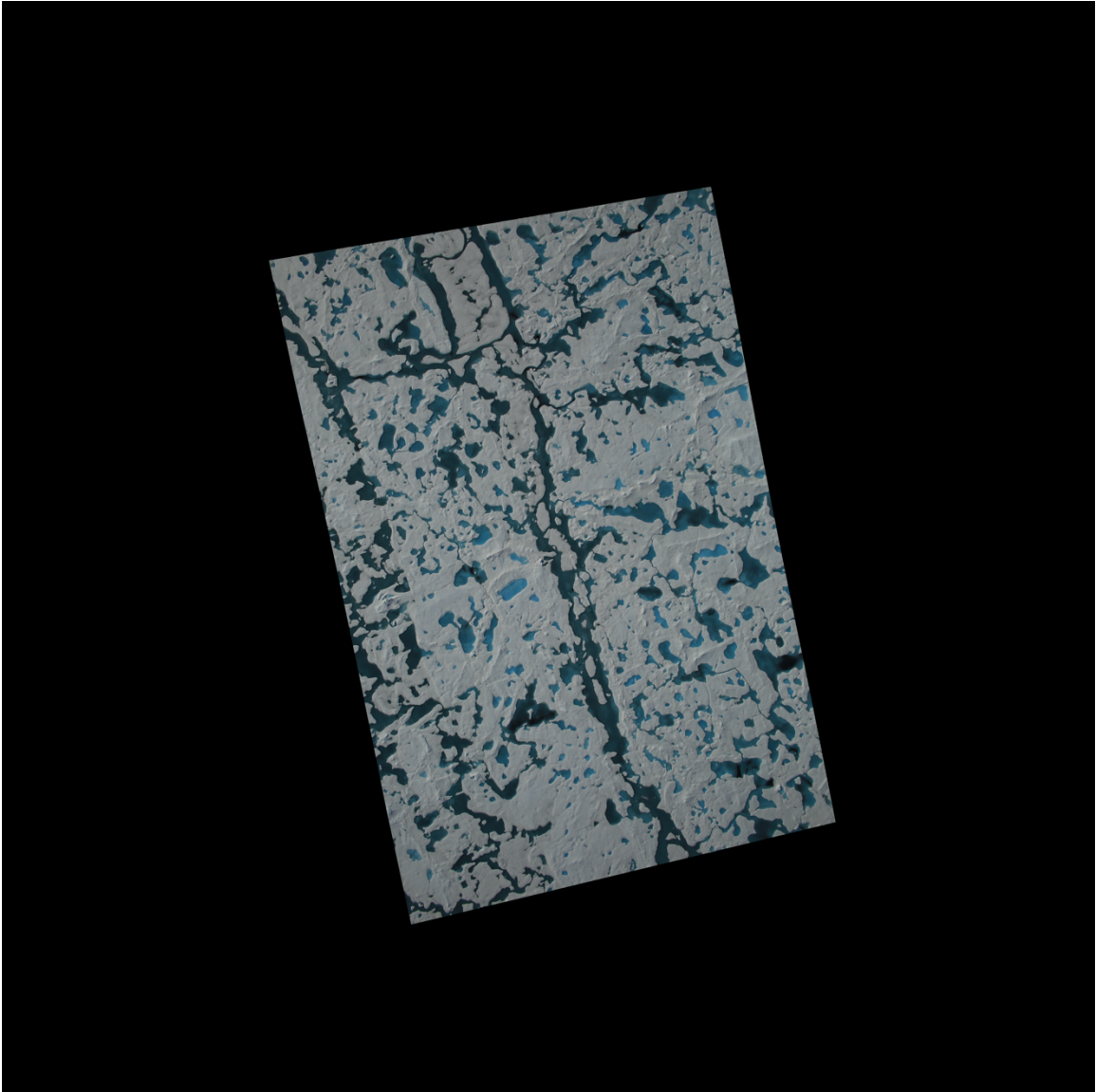
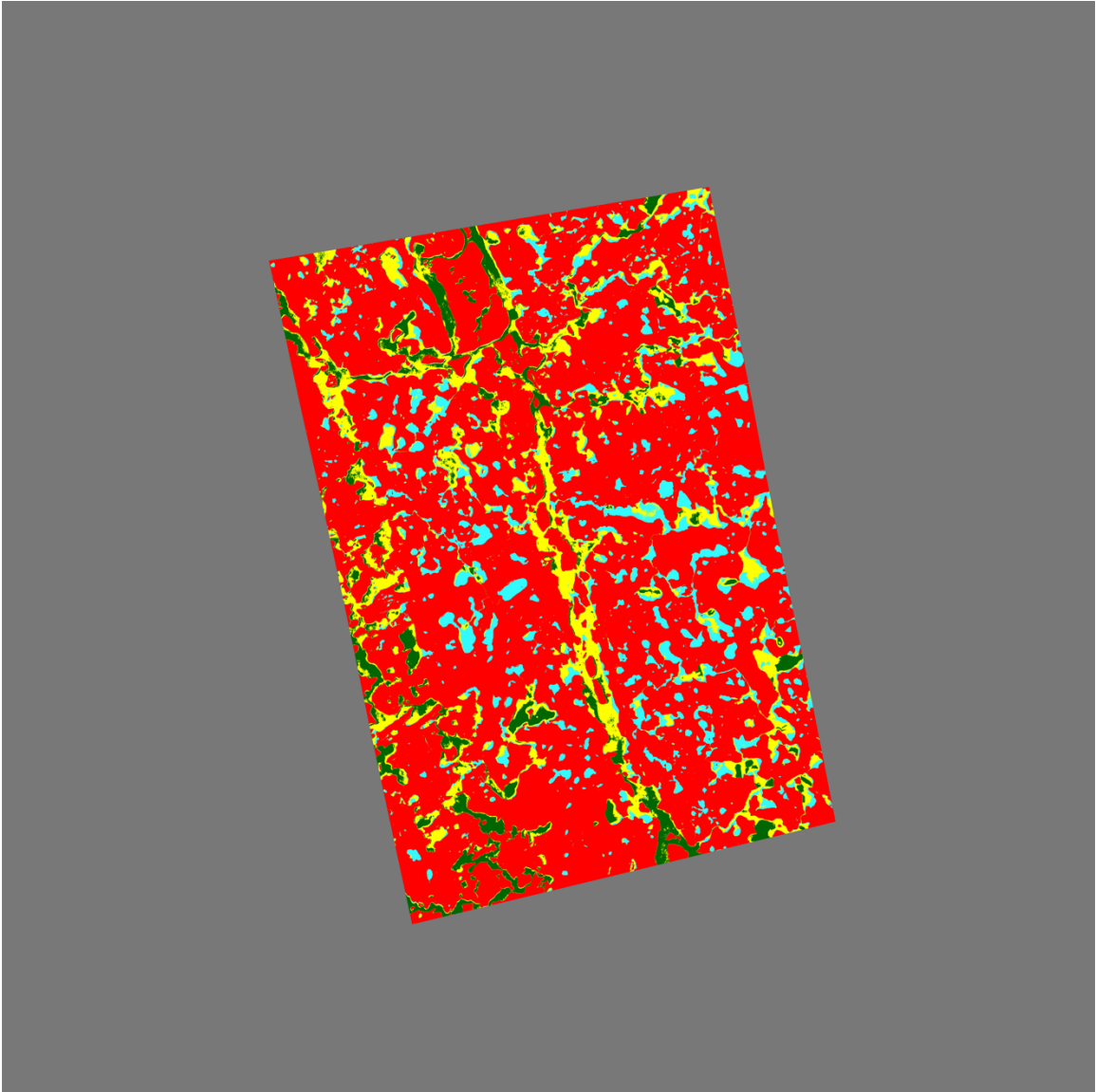


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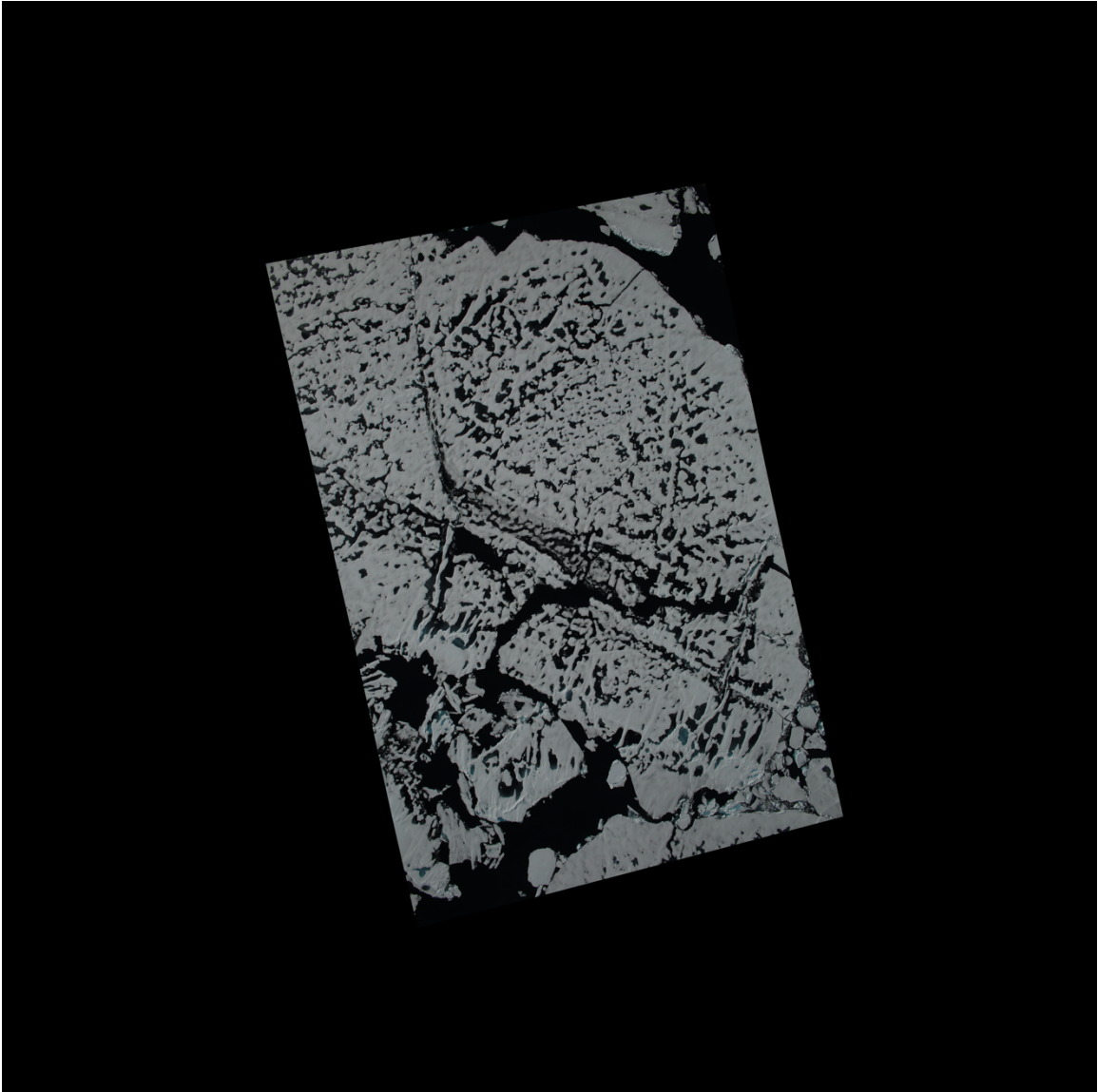


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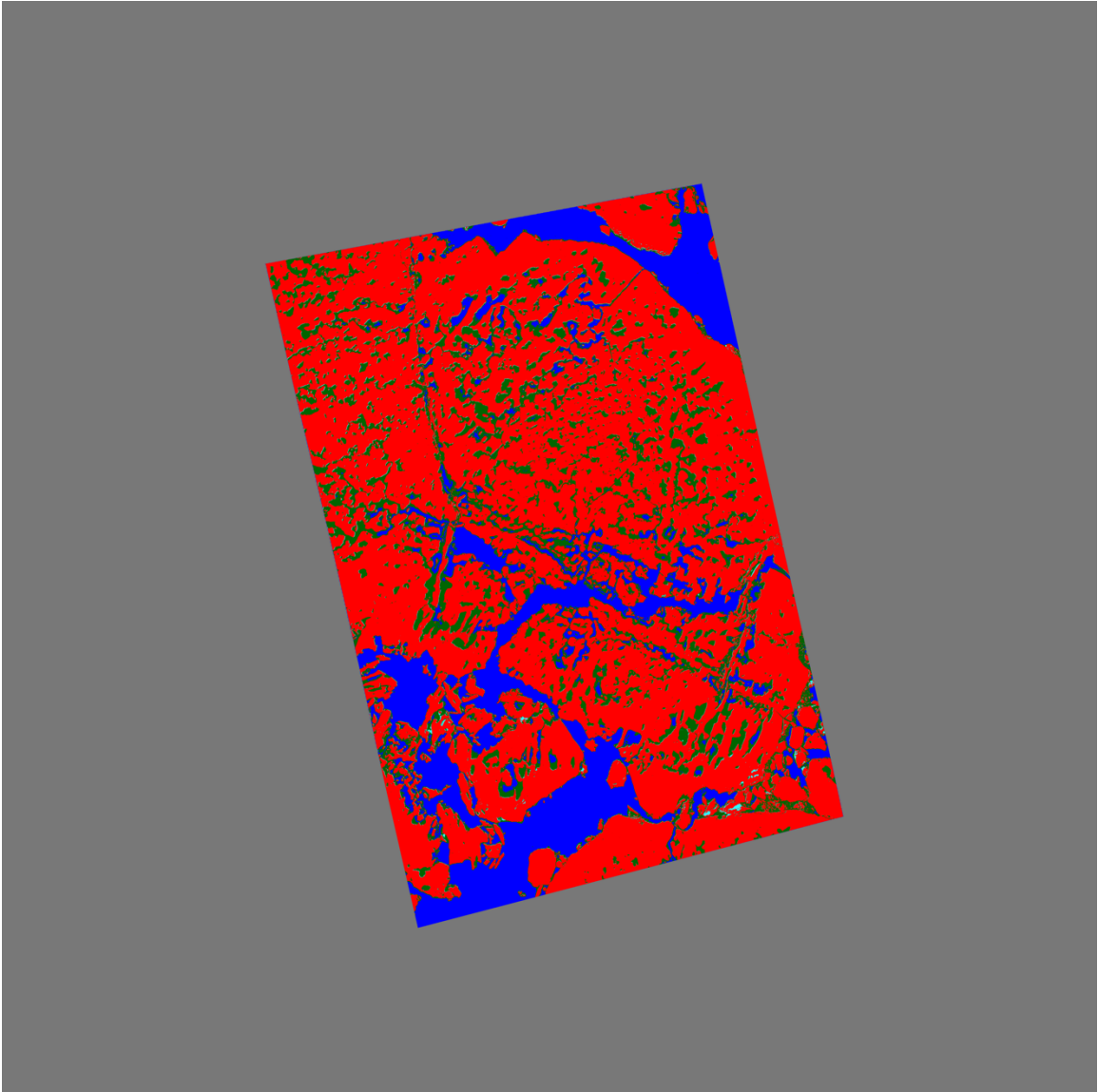


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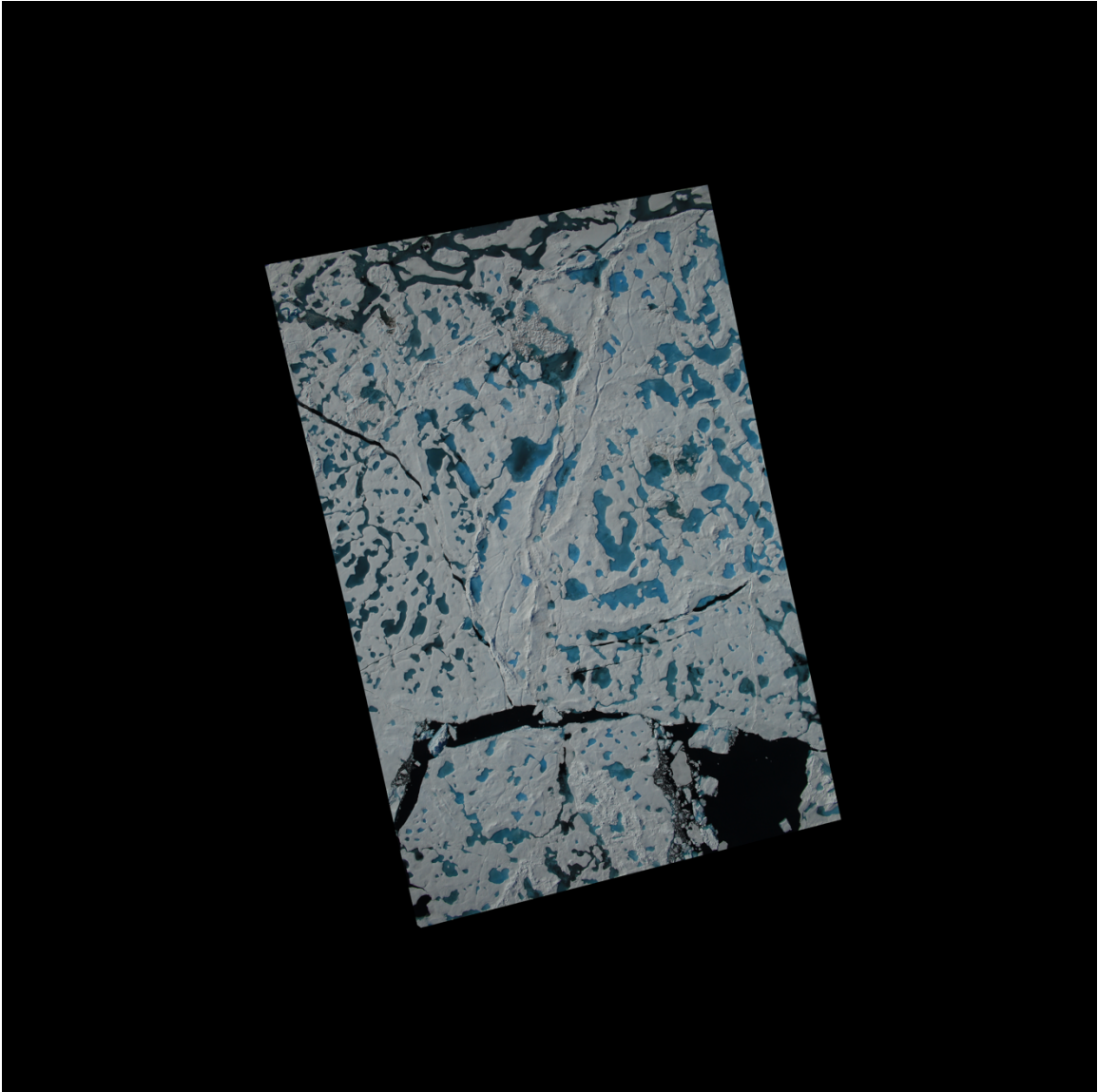


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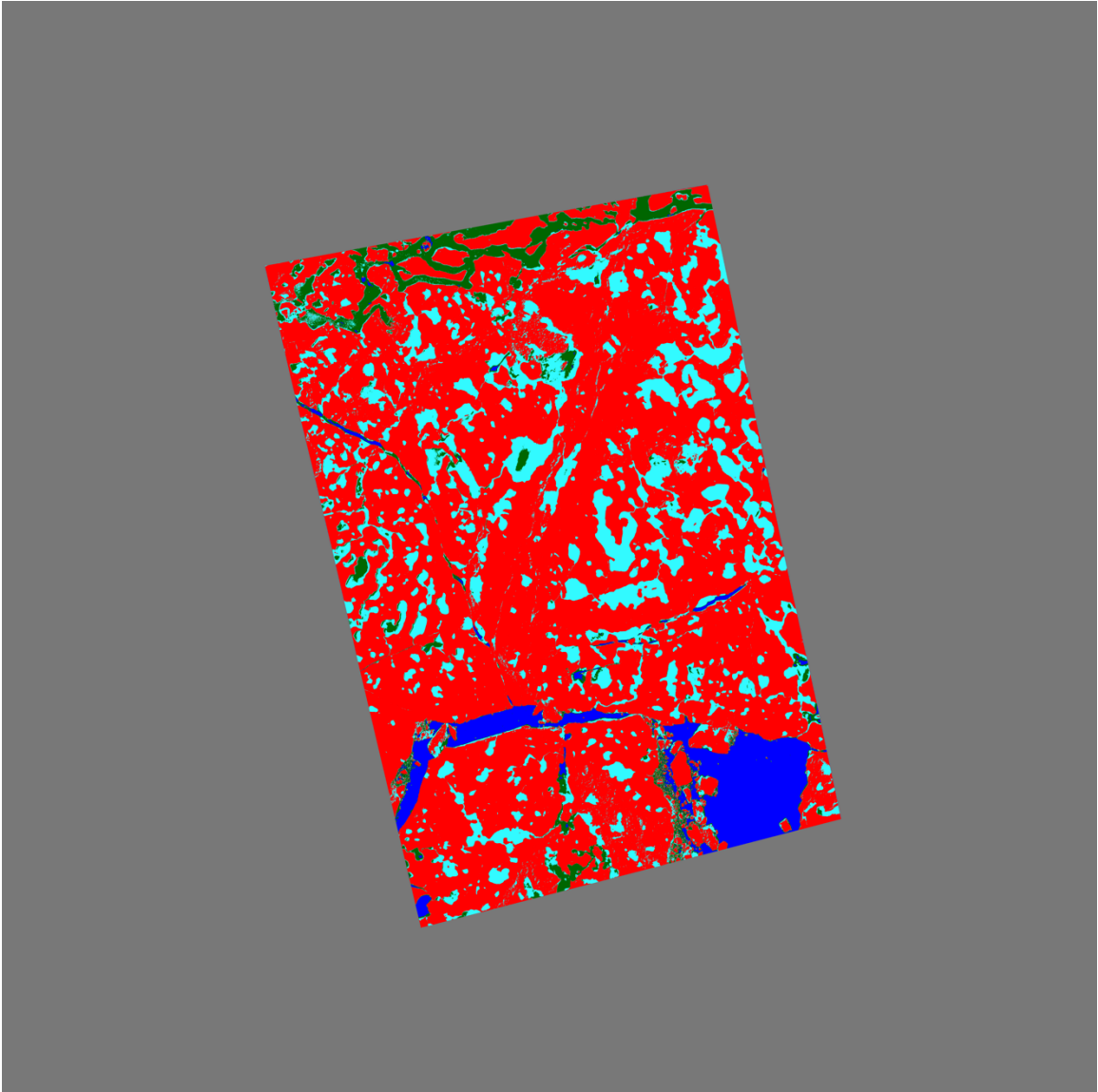


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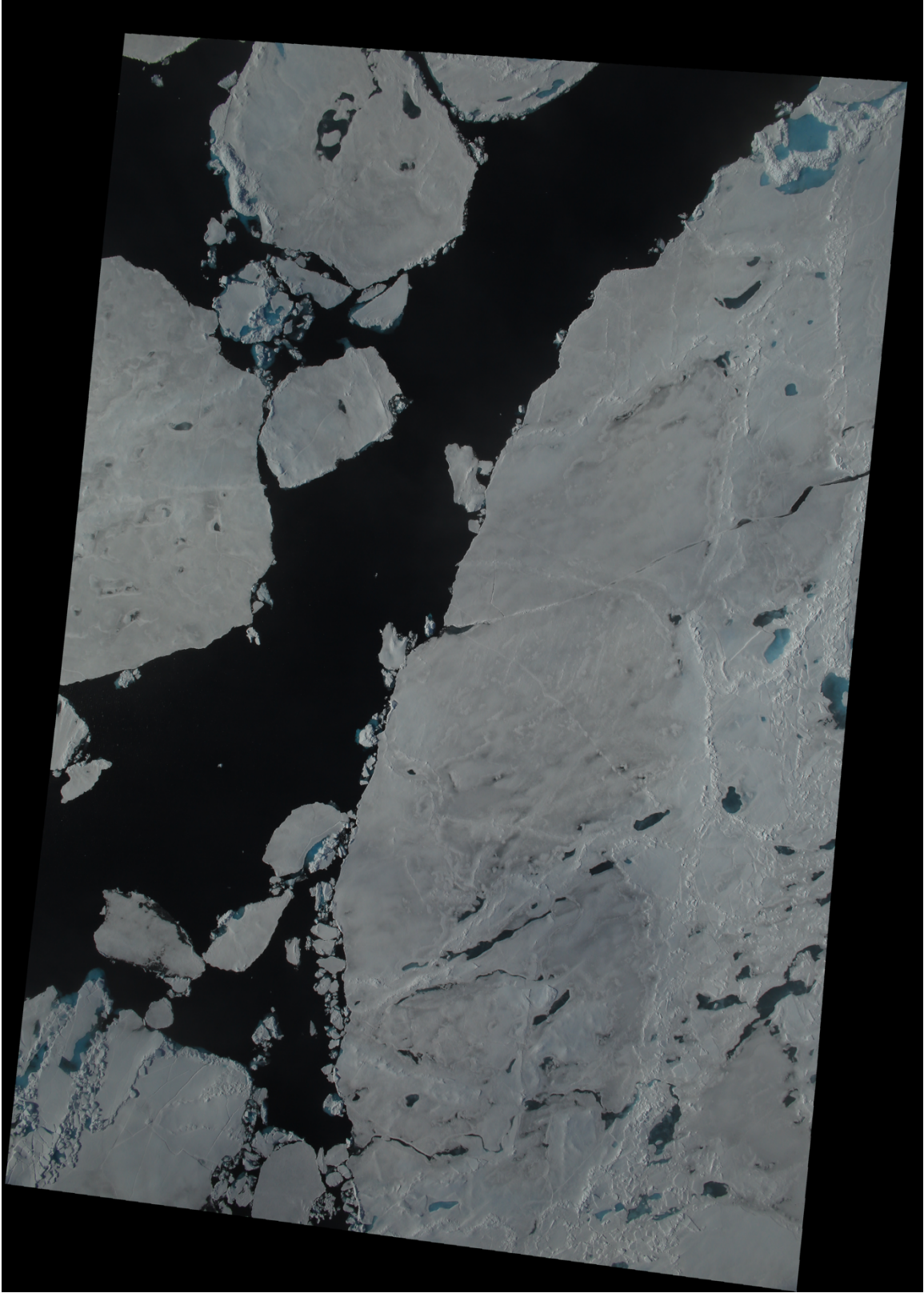


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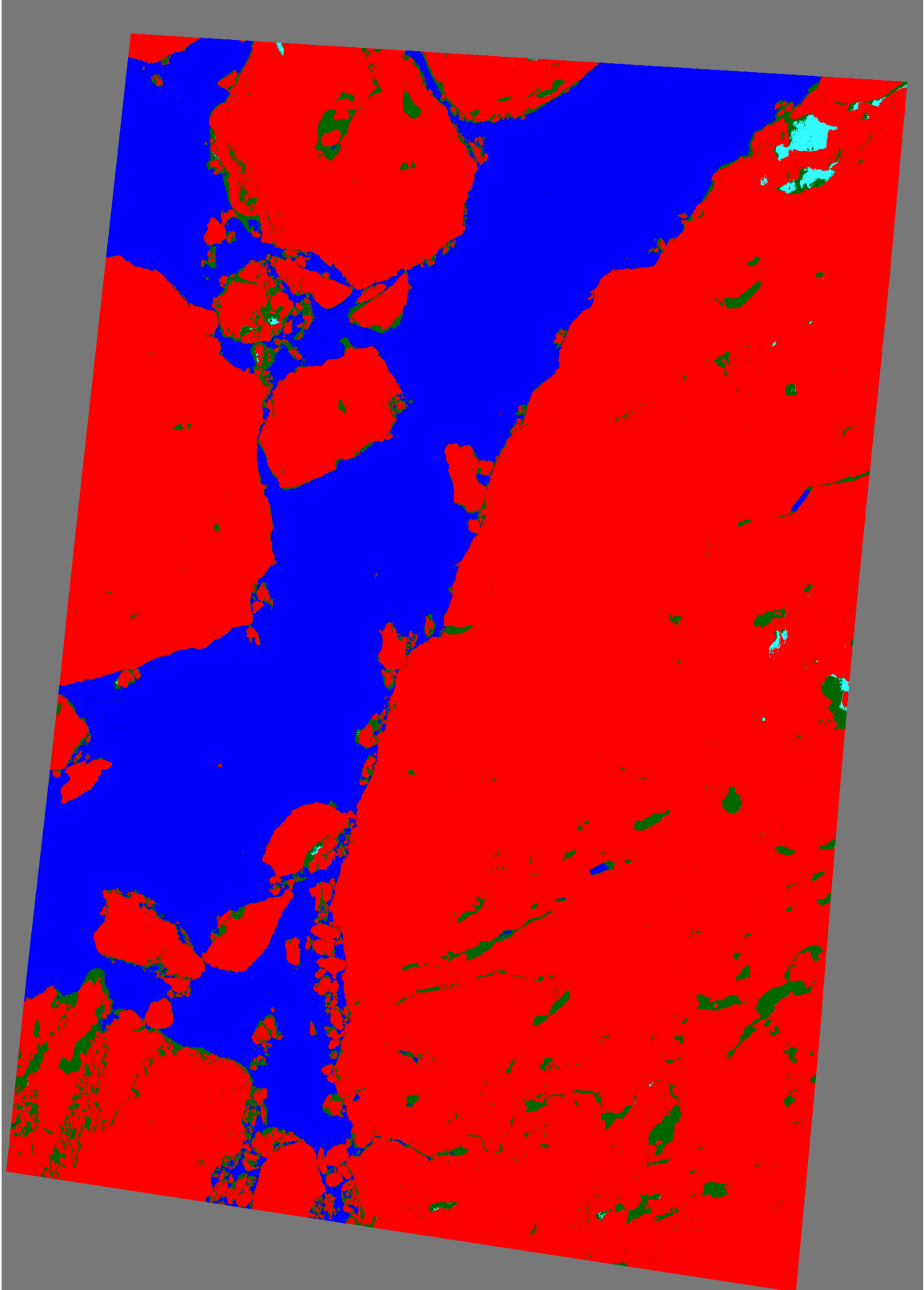


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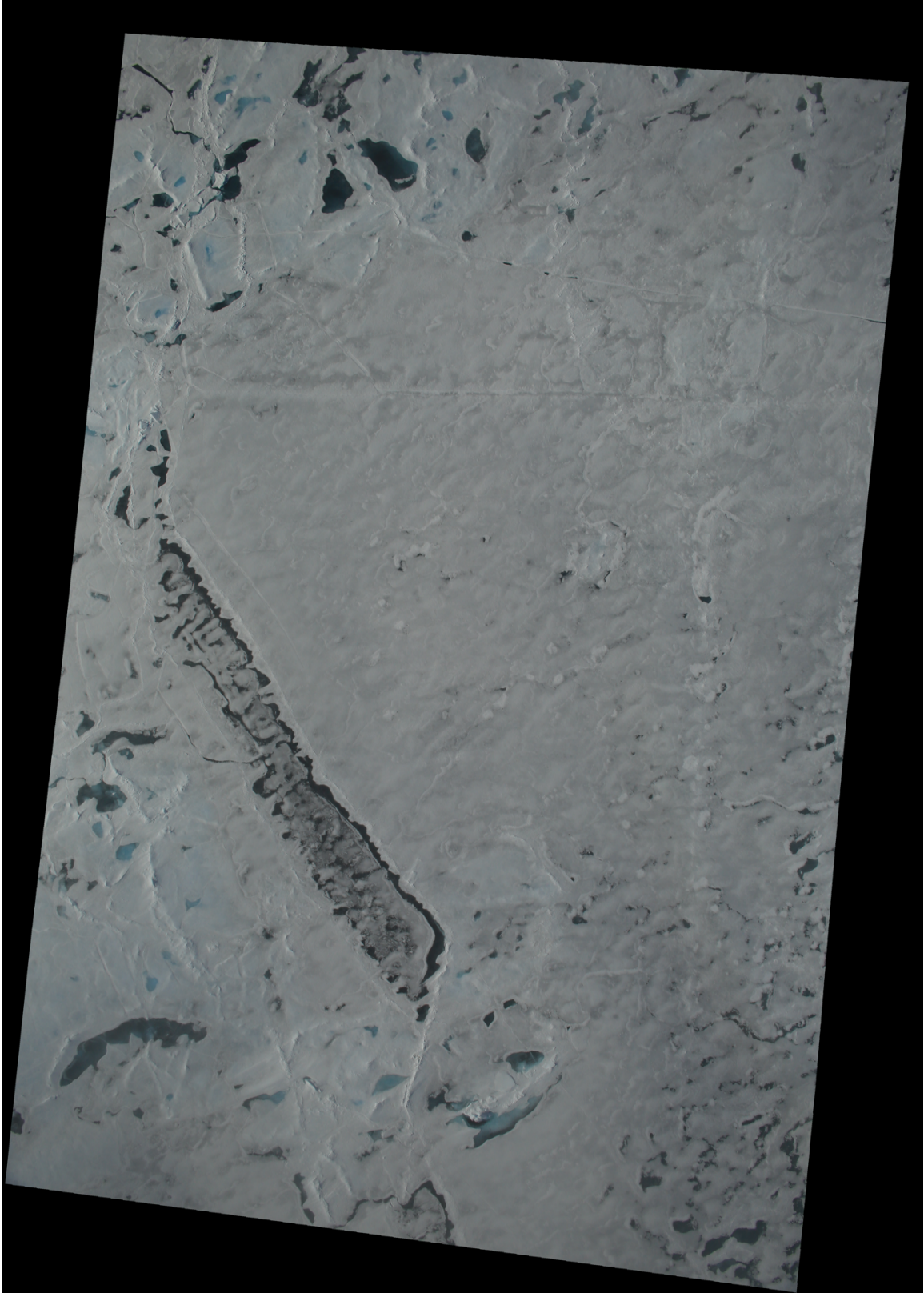


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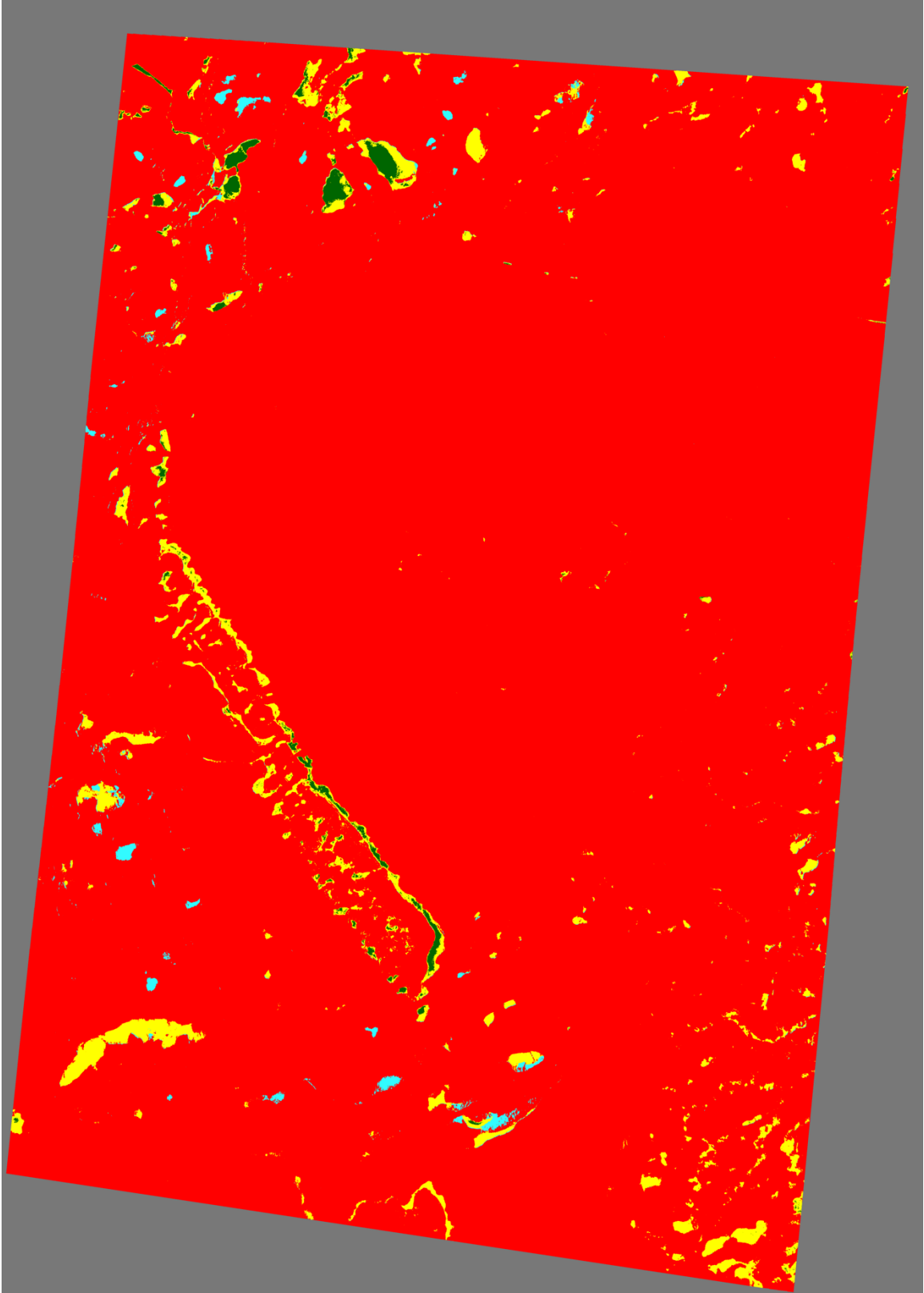


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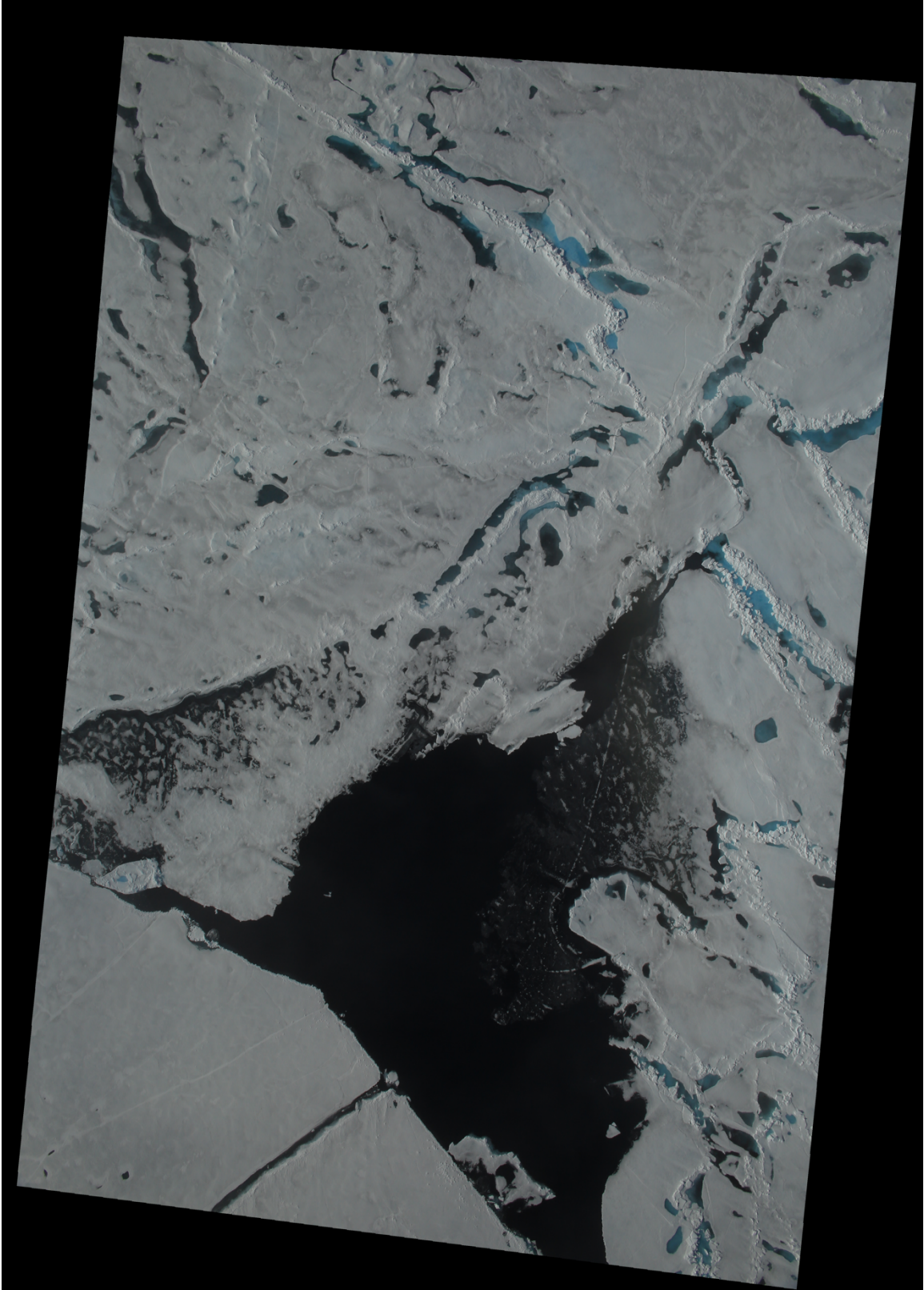


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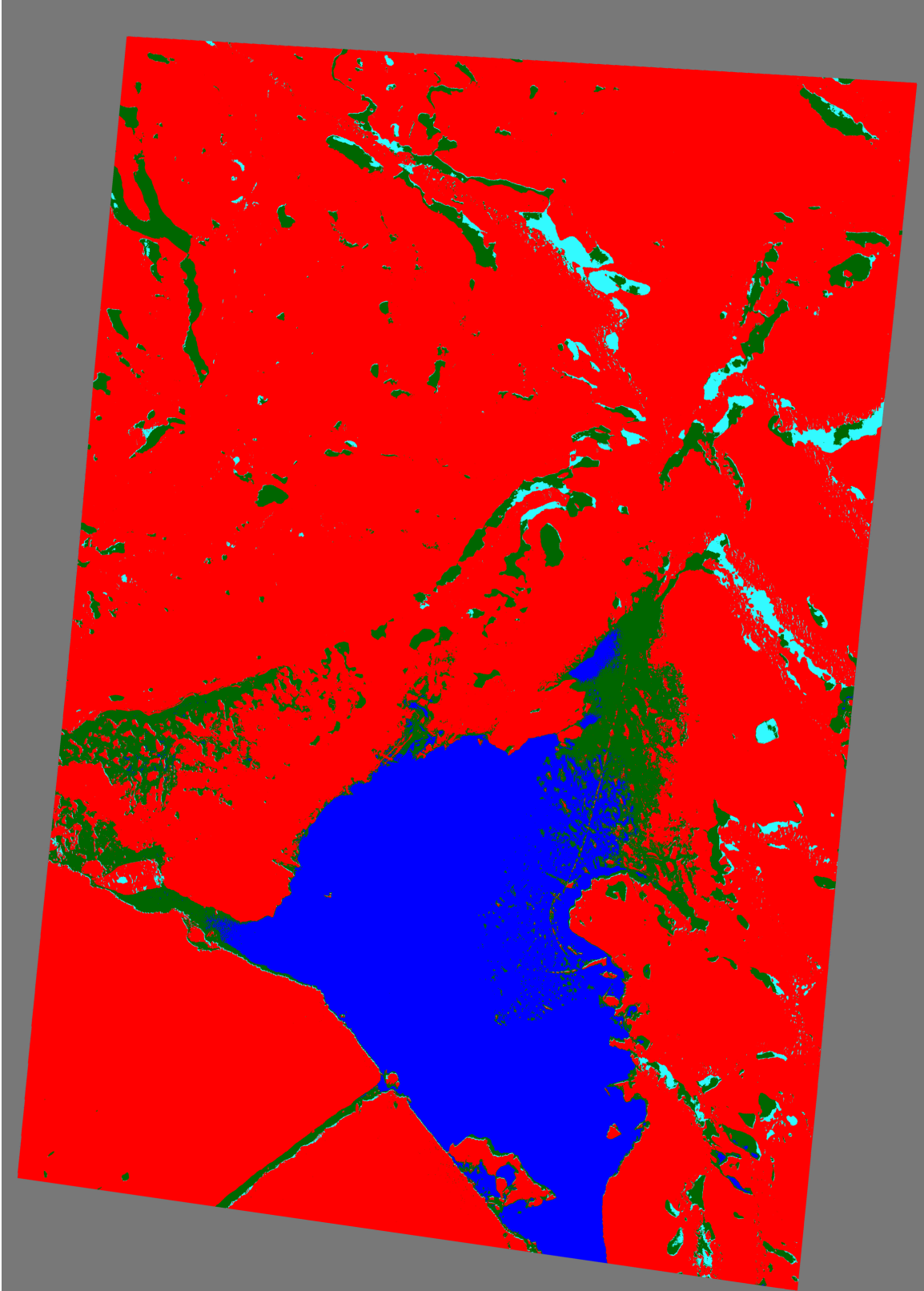


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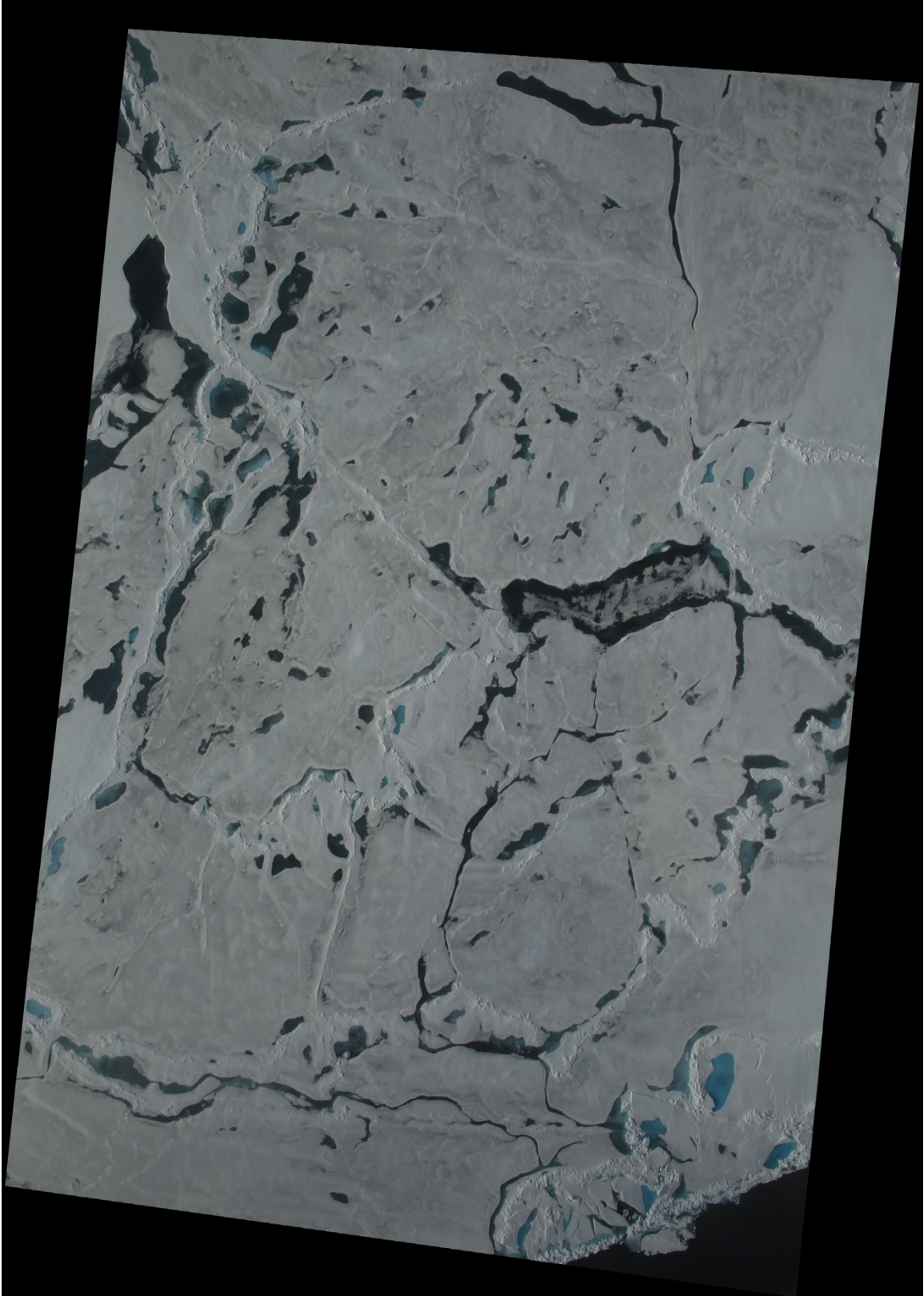


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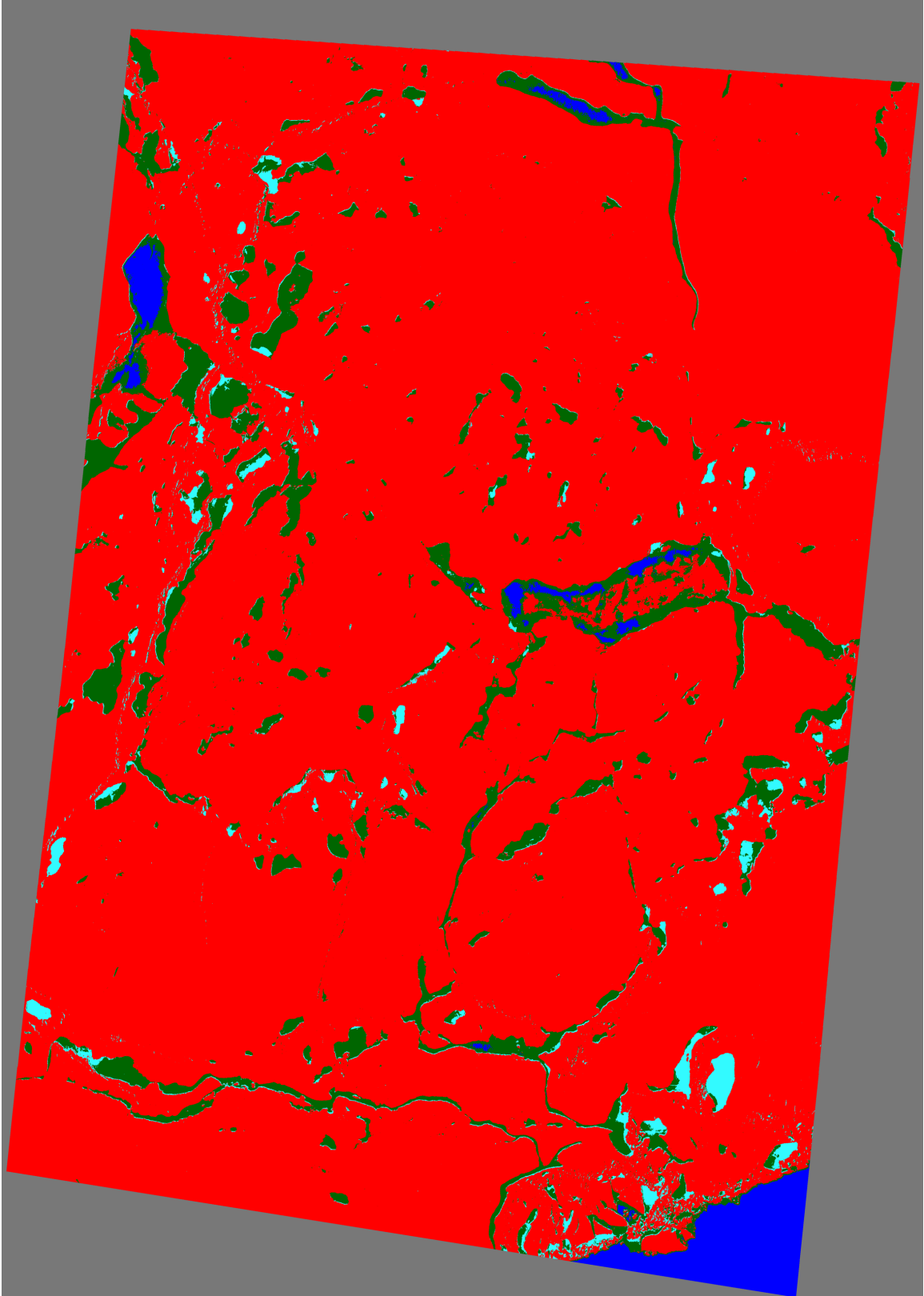


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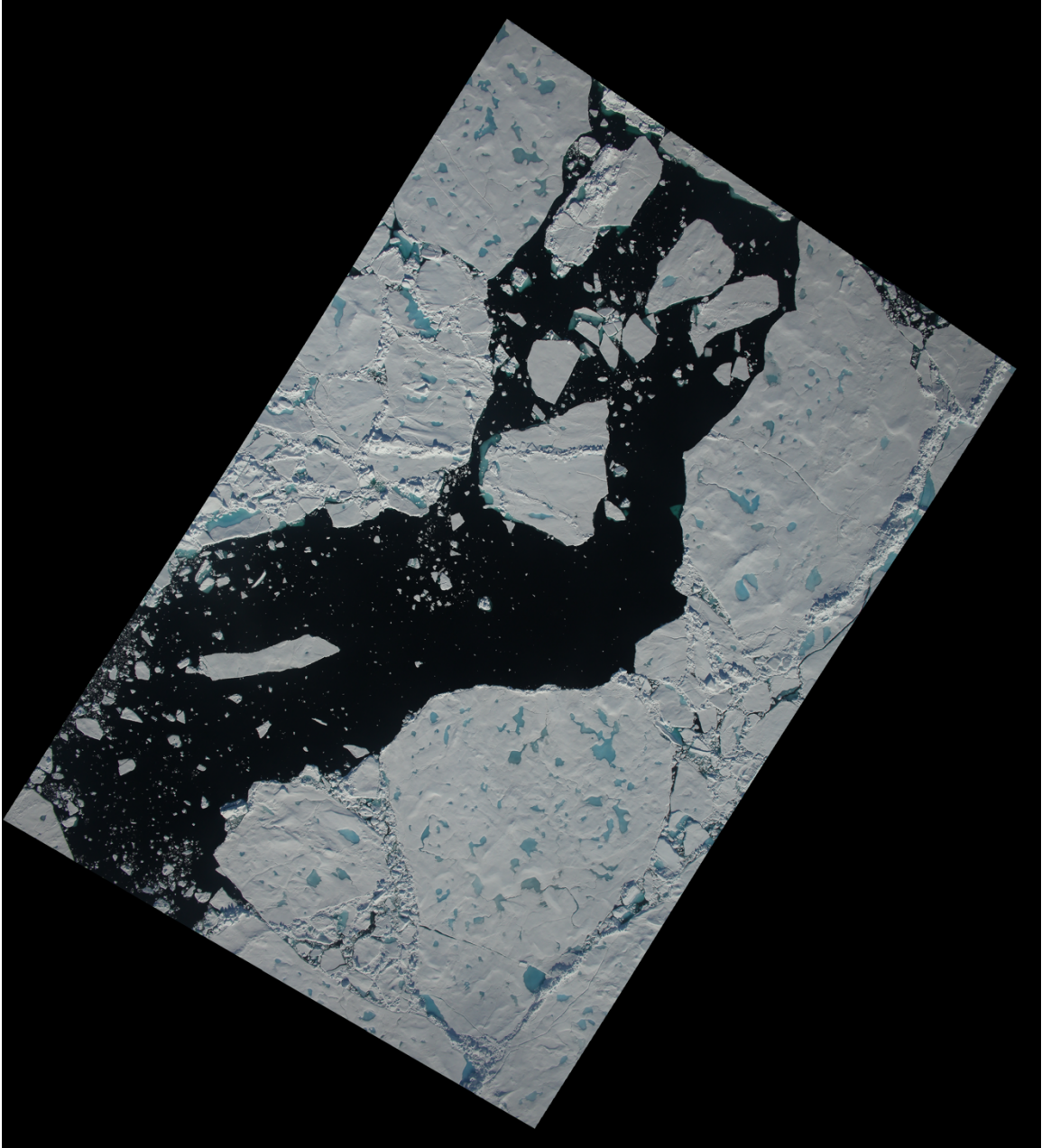


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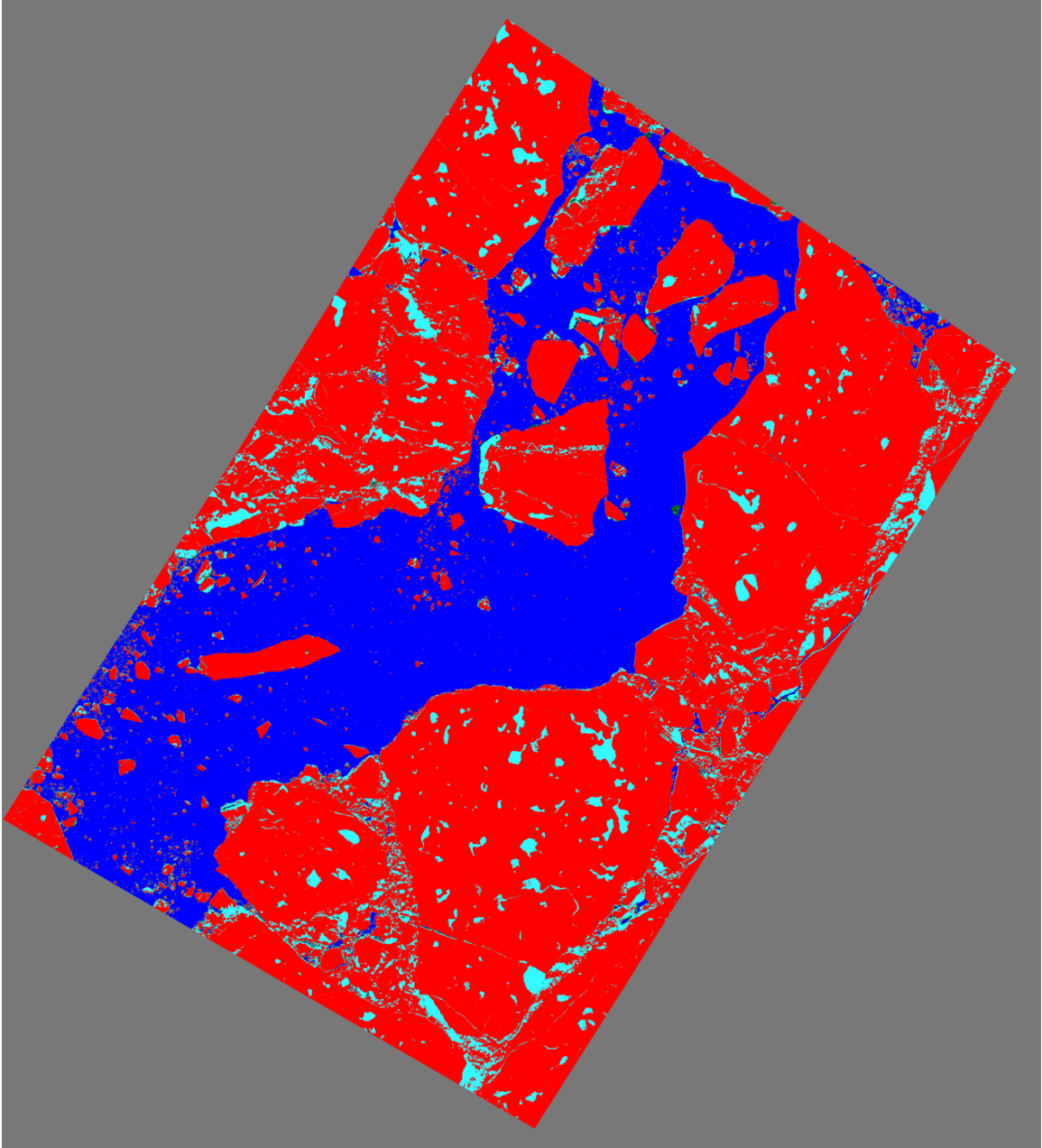
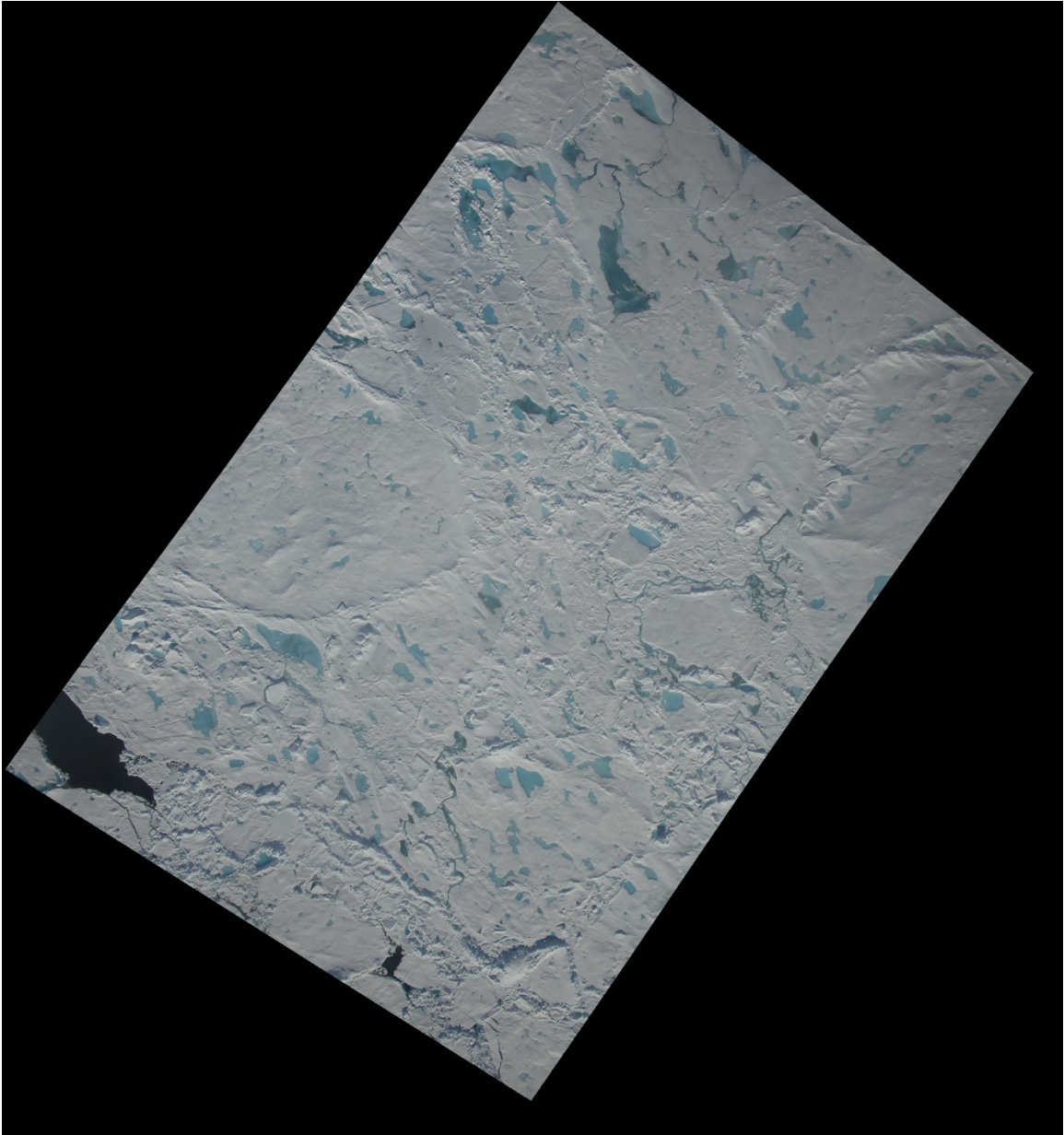


Figure S26b



**Figure S27a**

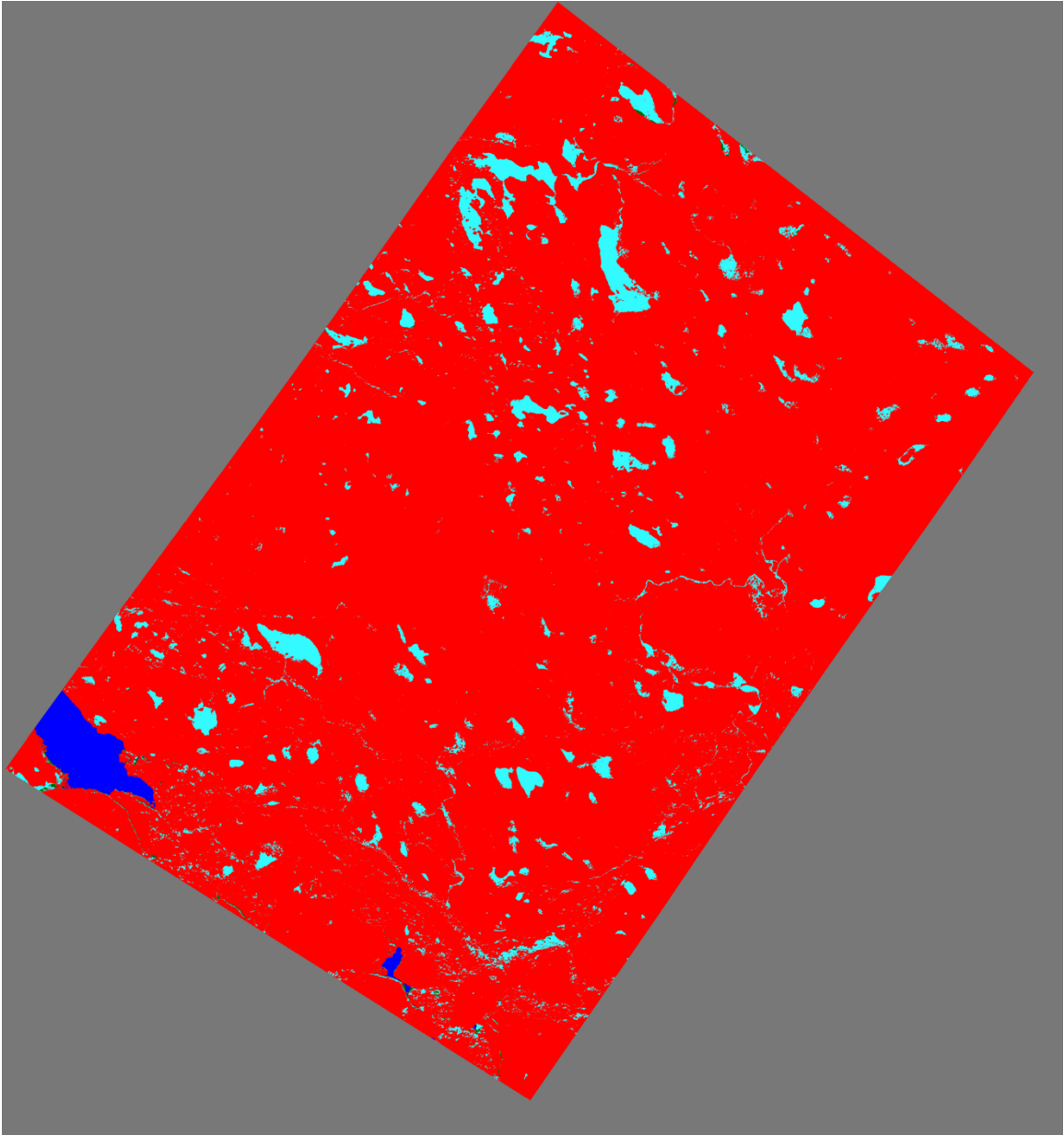


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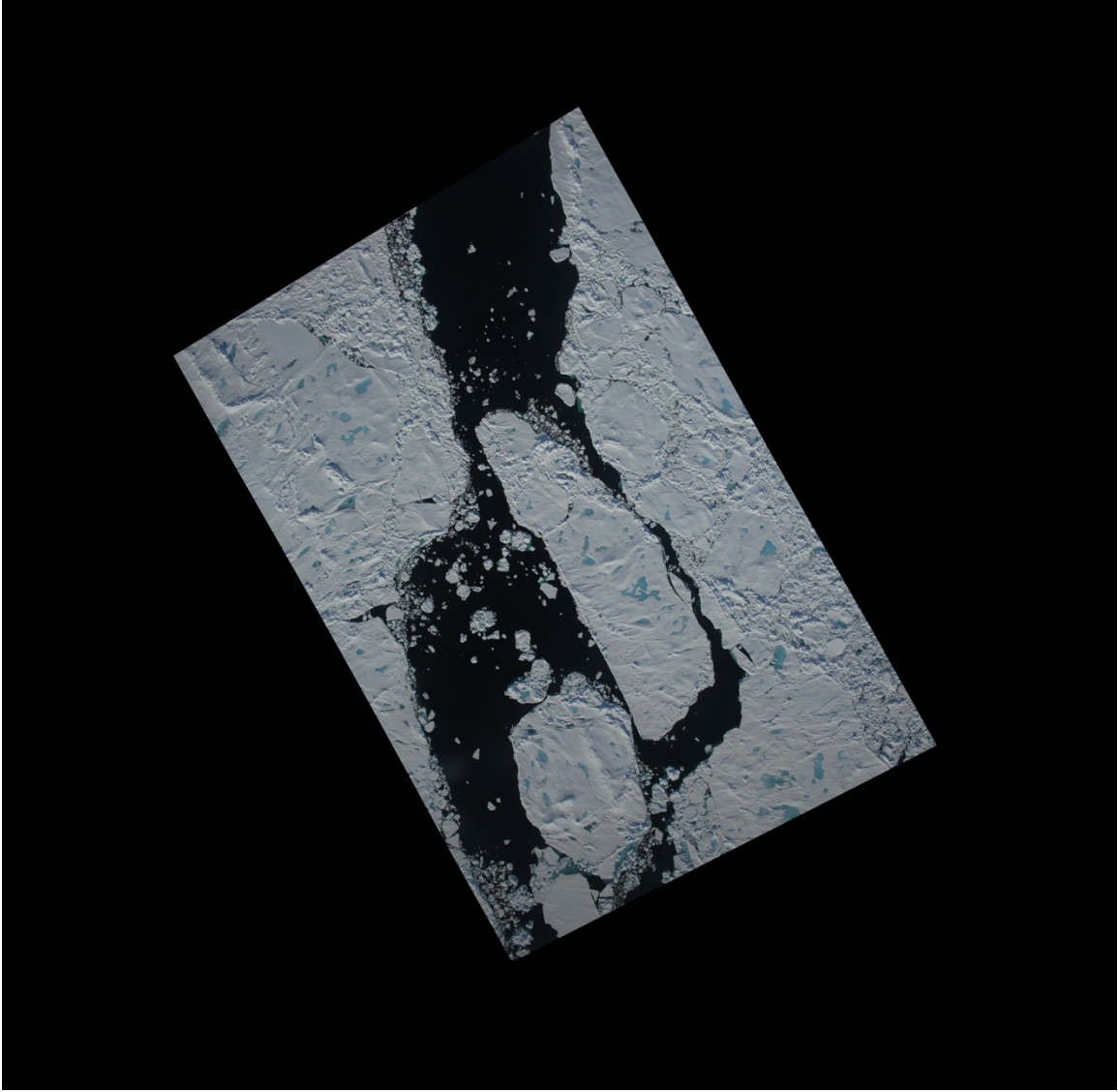


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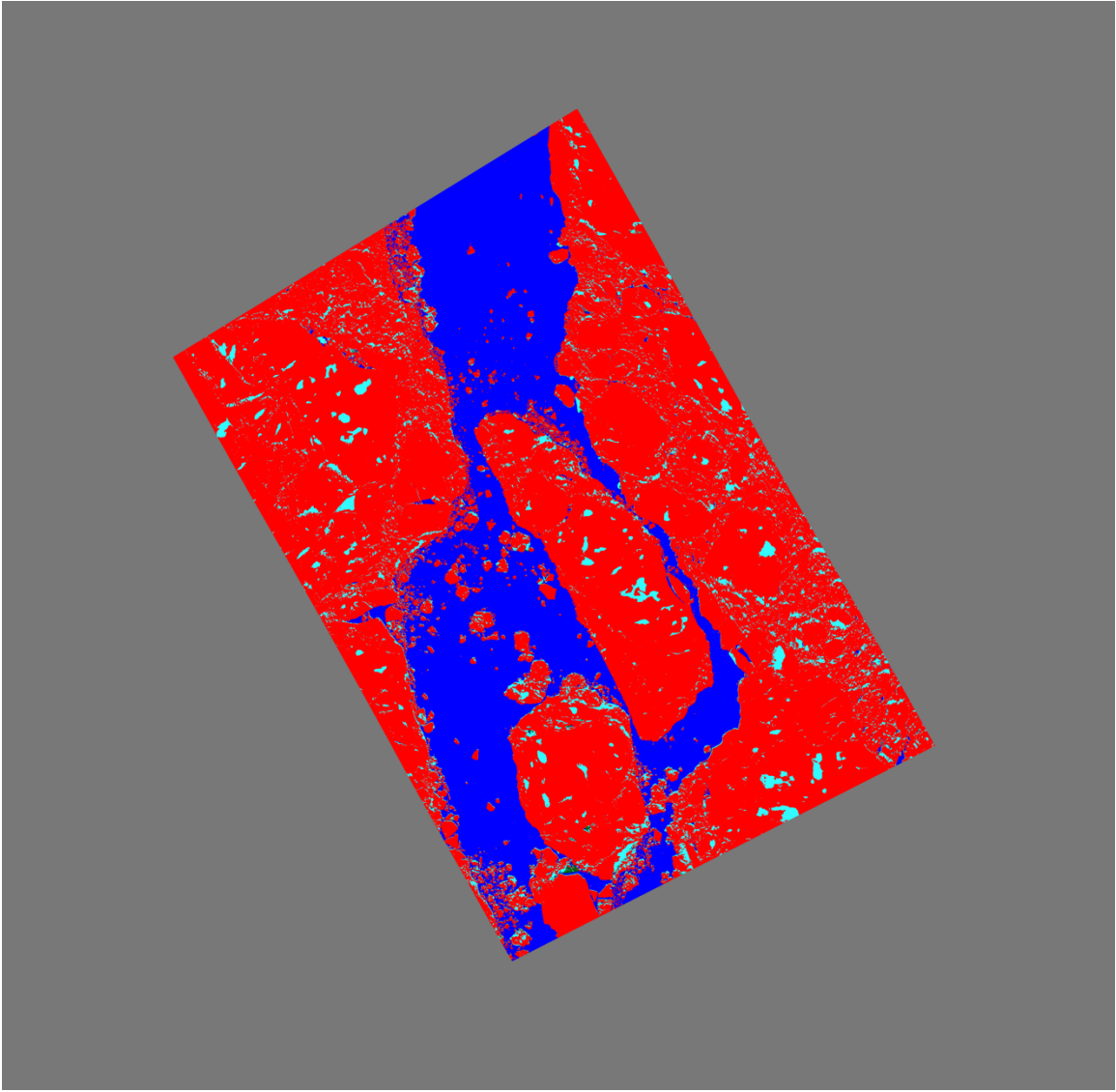


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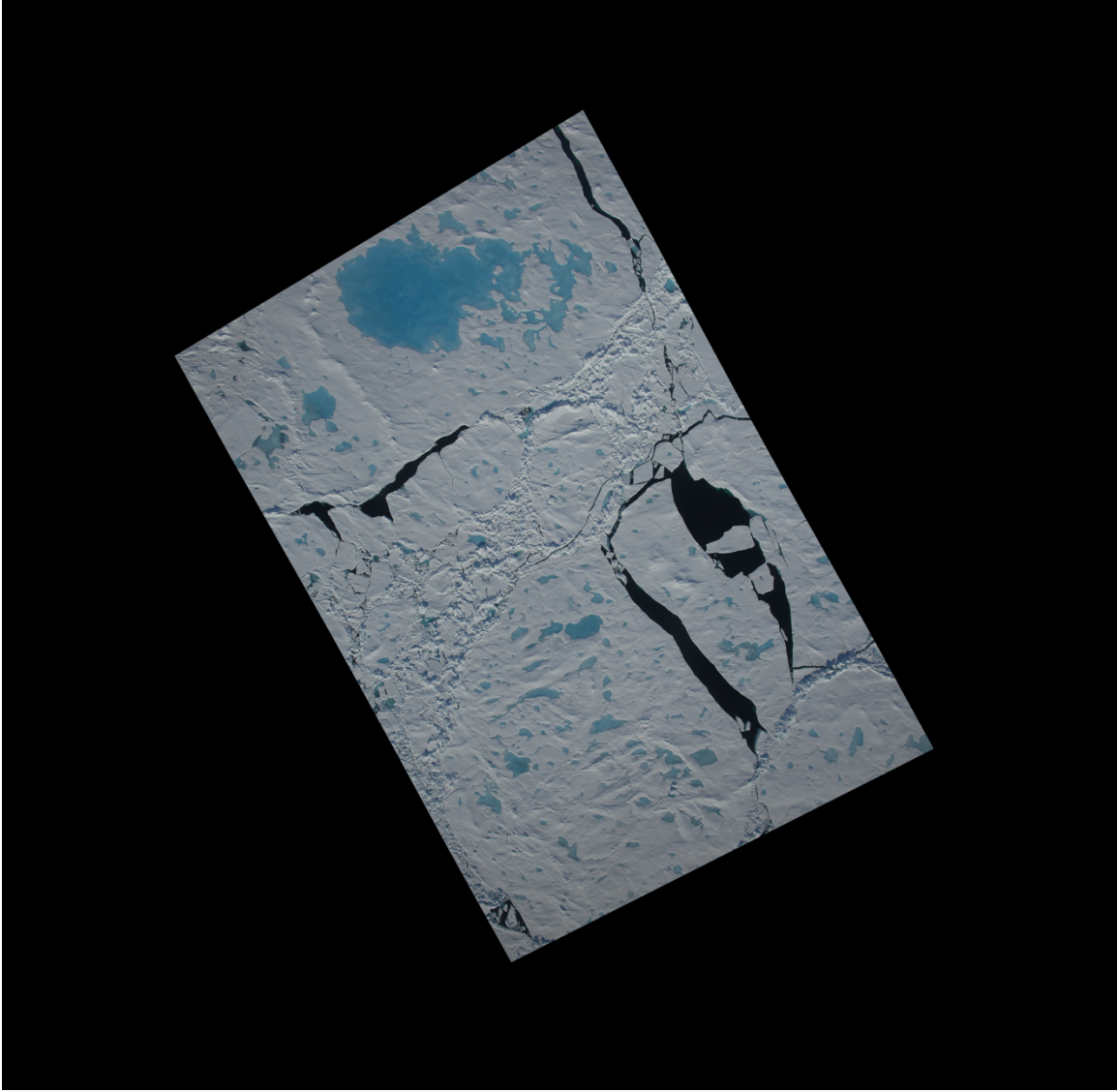


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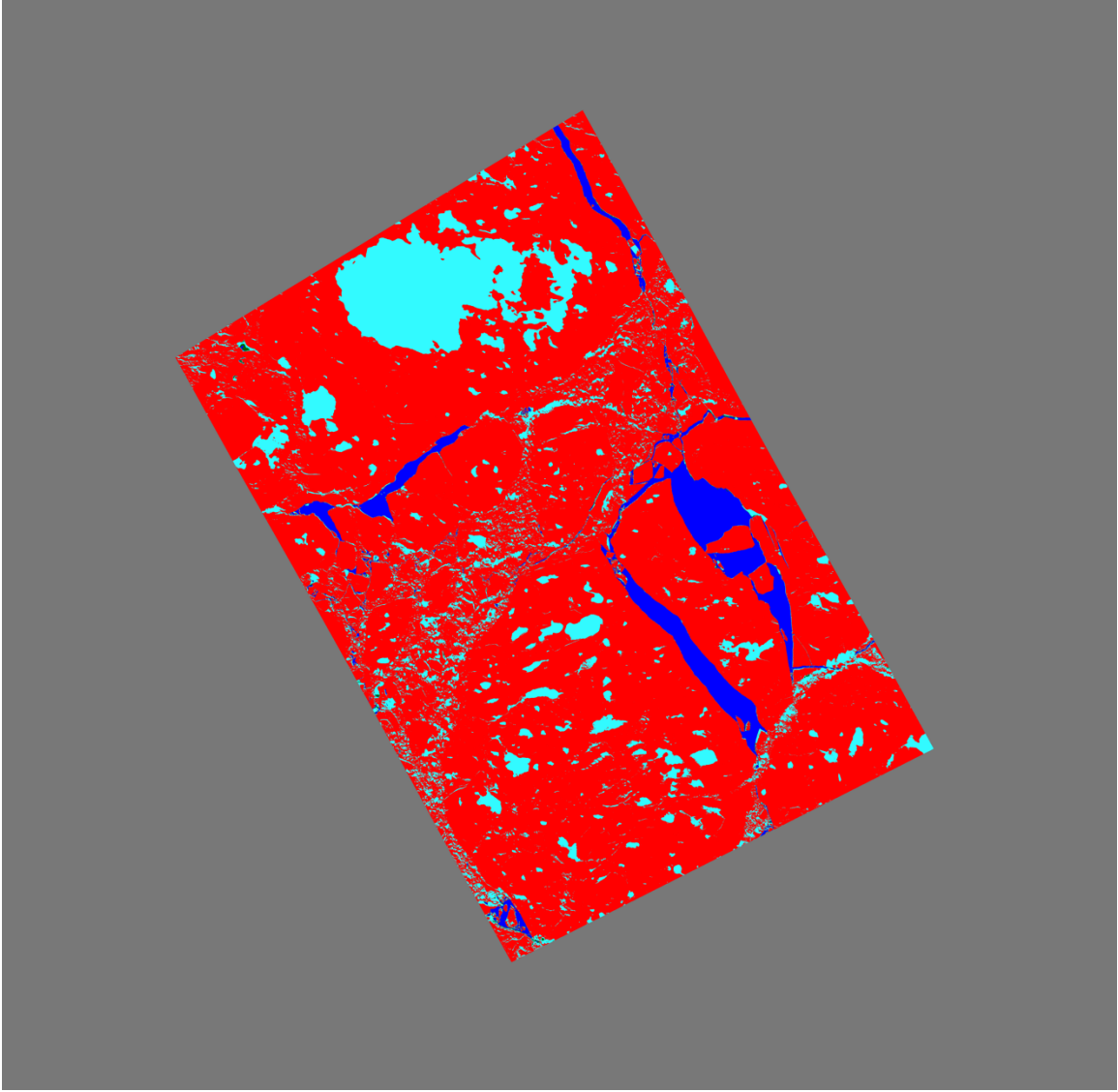


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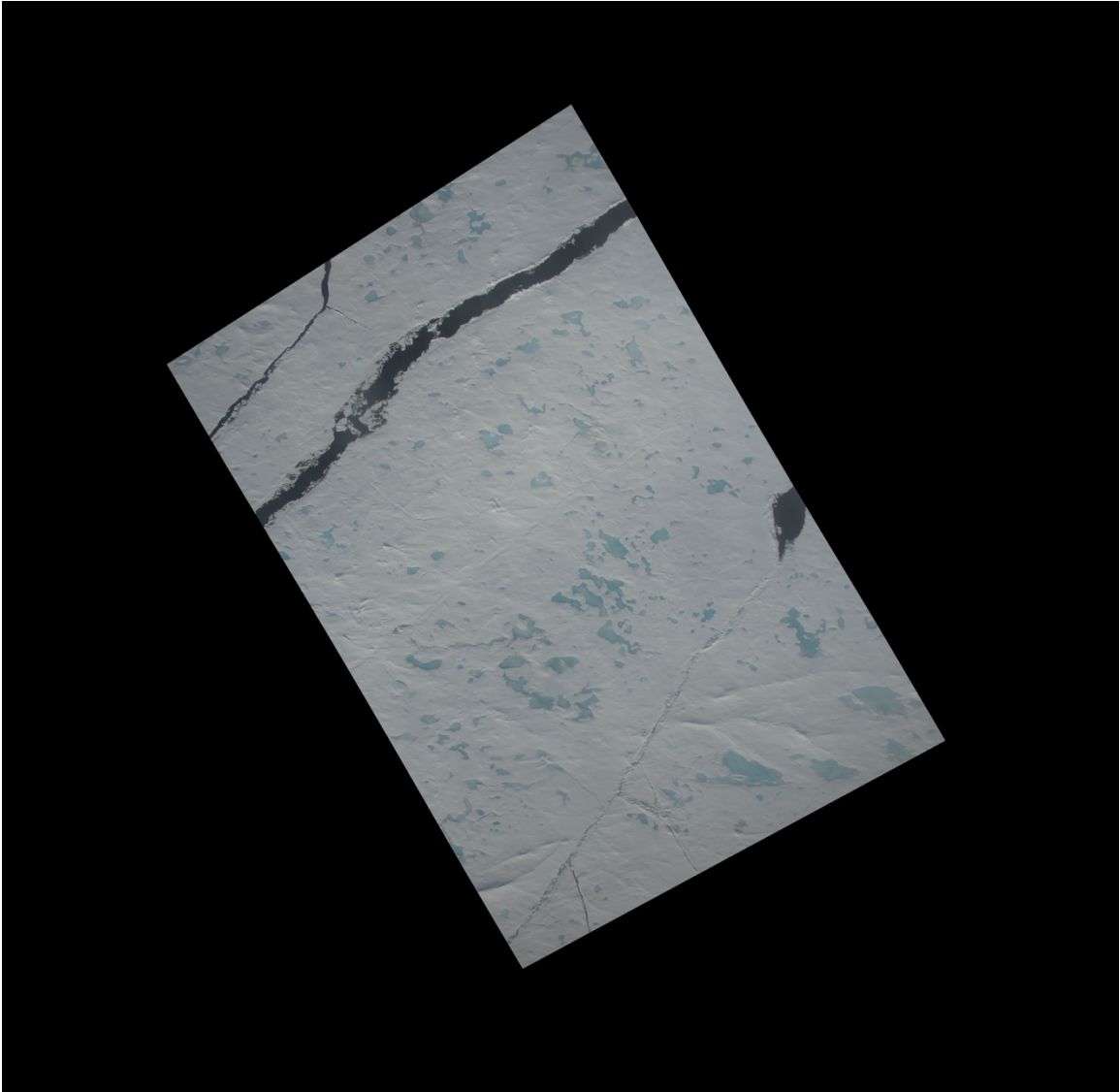


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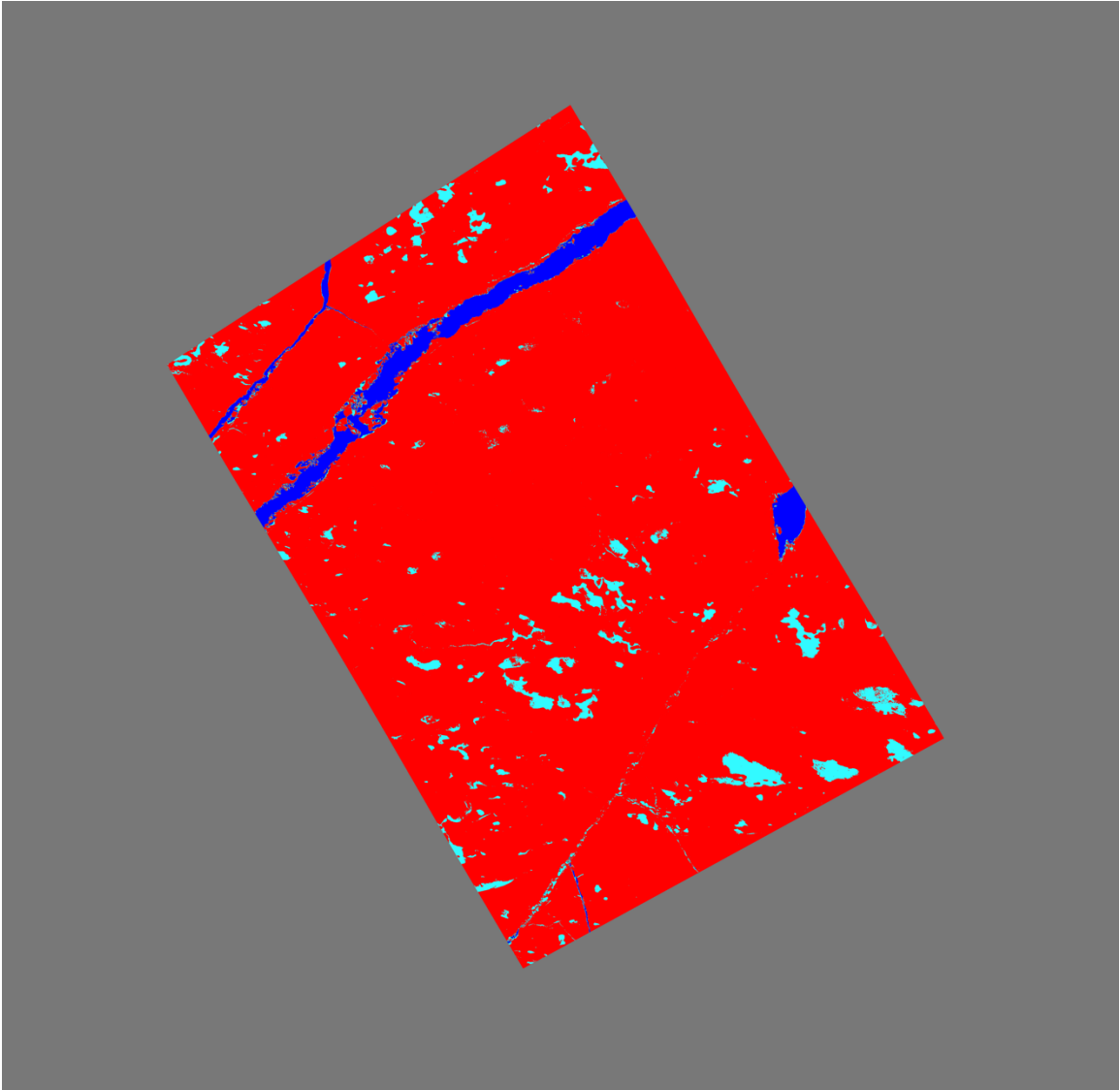


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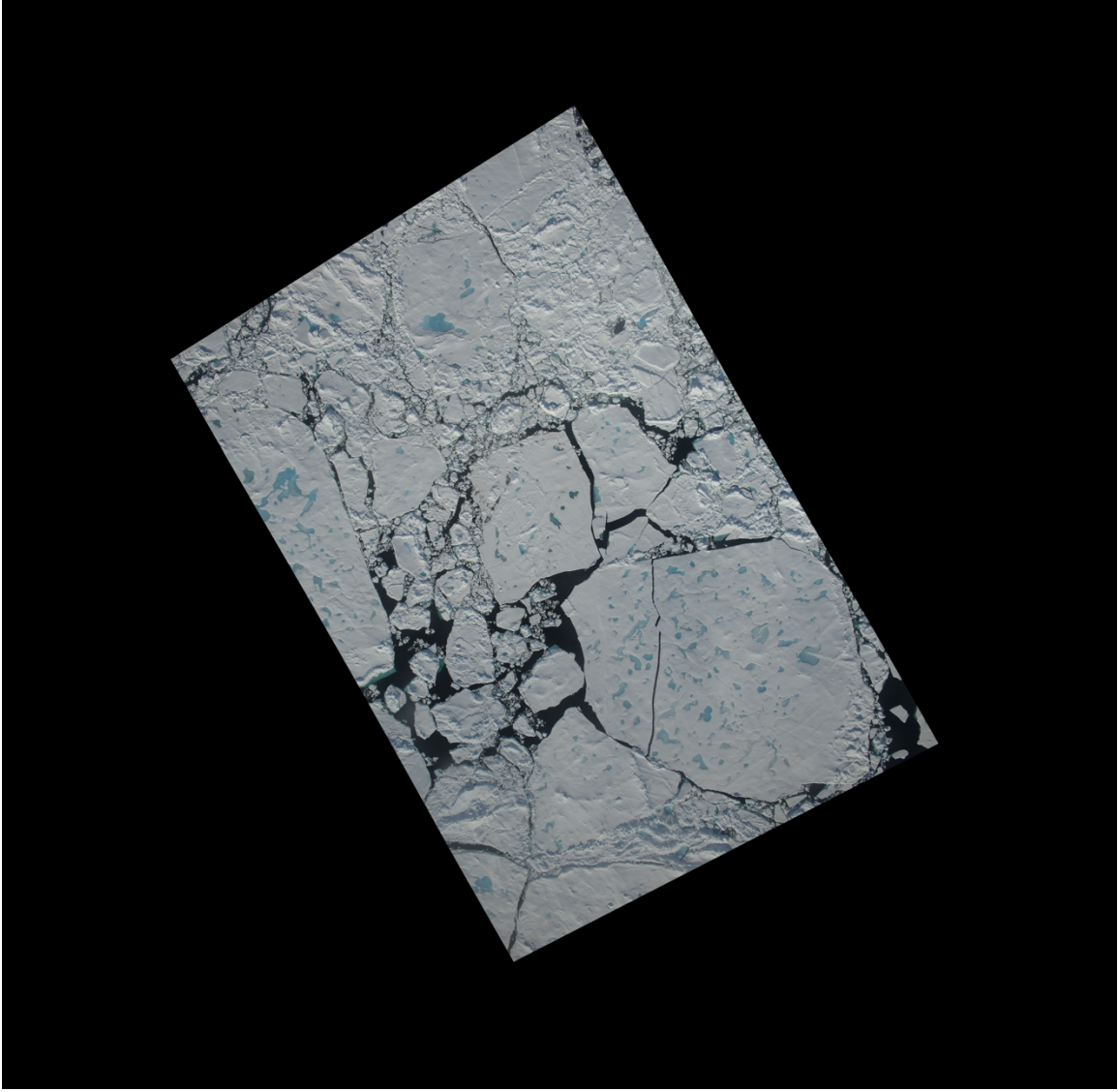
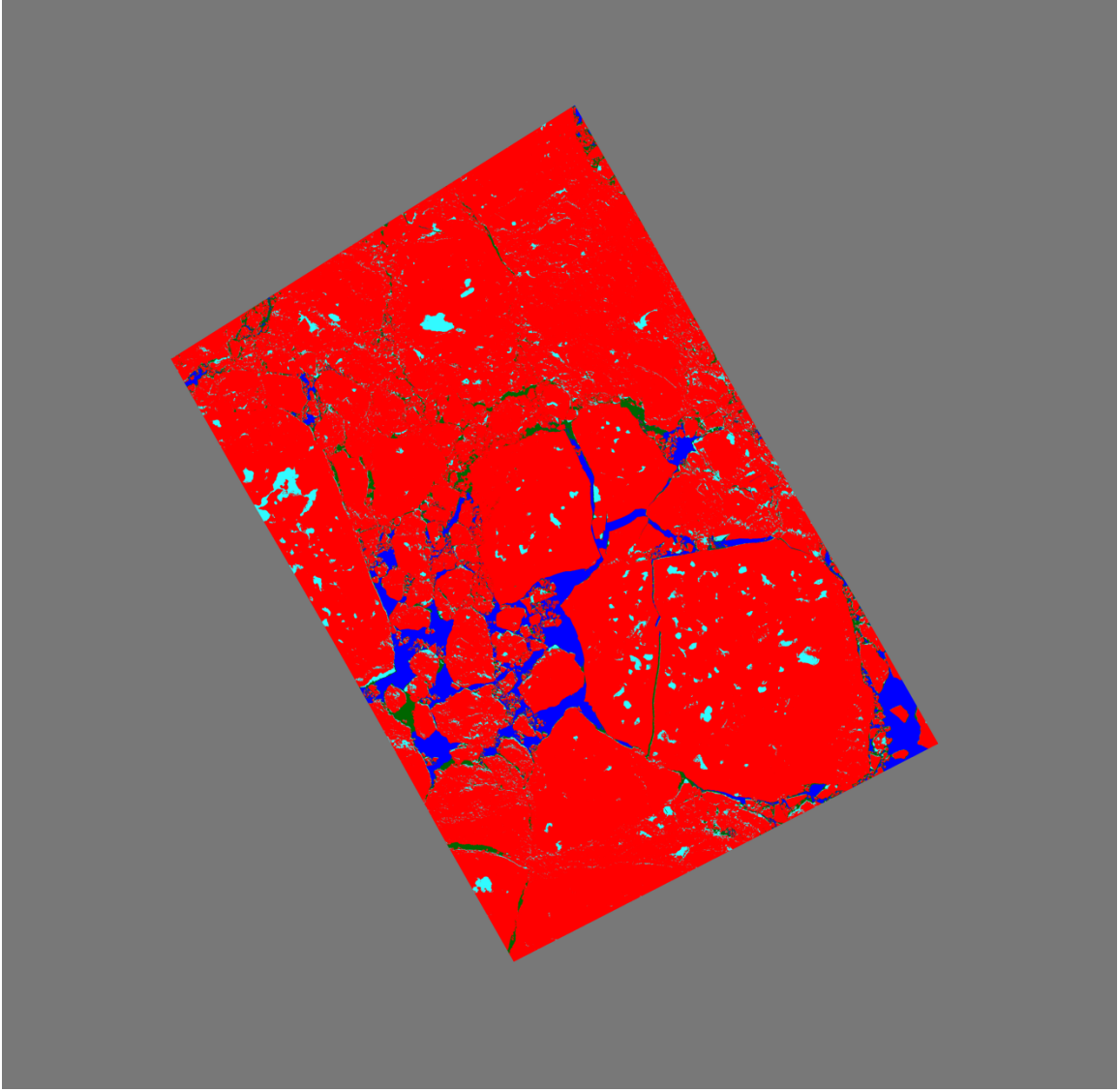


Figure S31a



**Figure S31b**



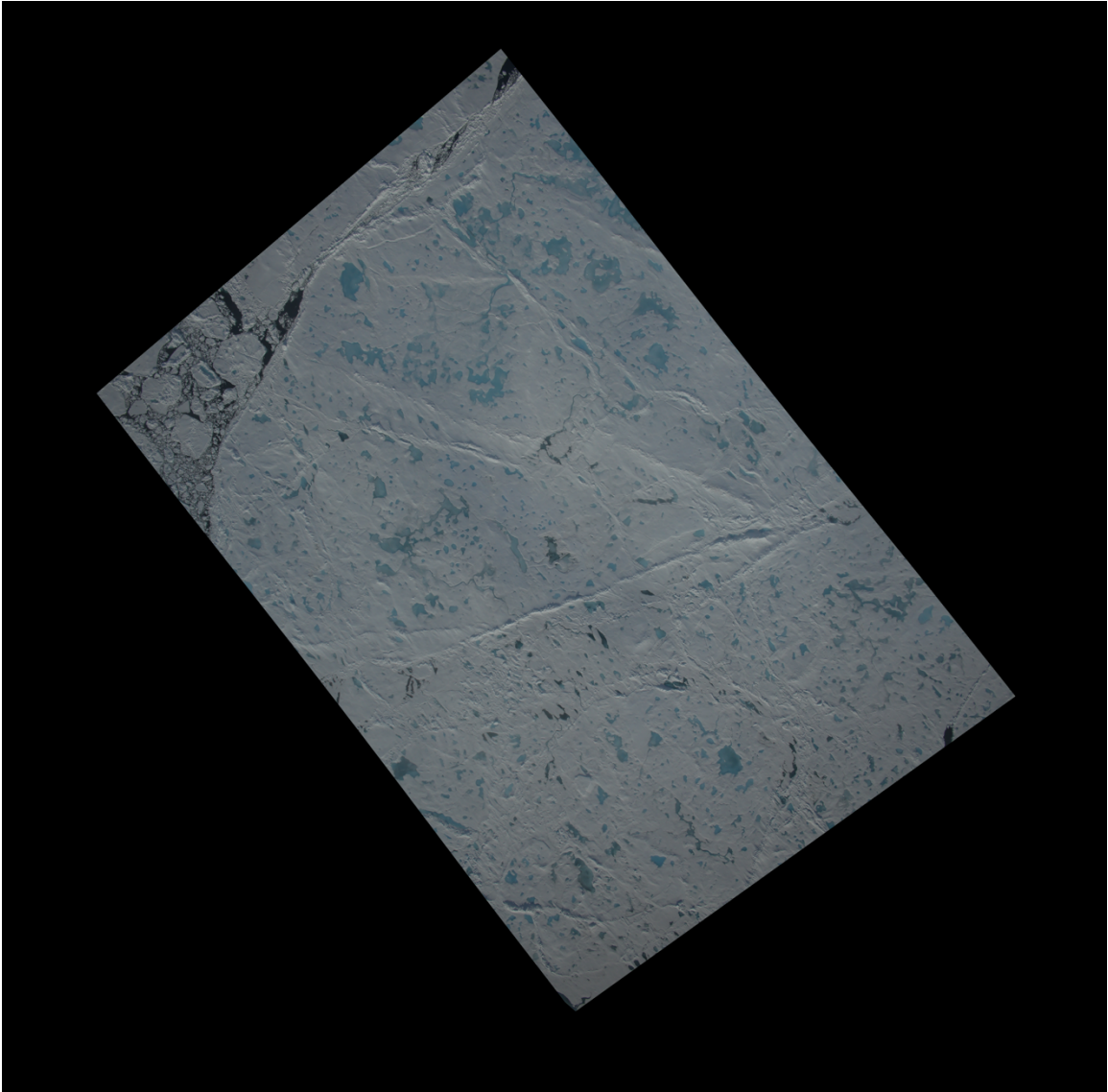
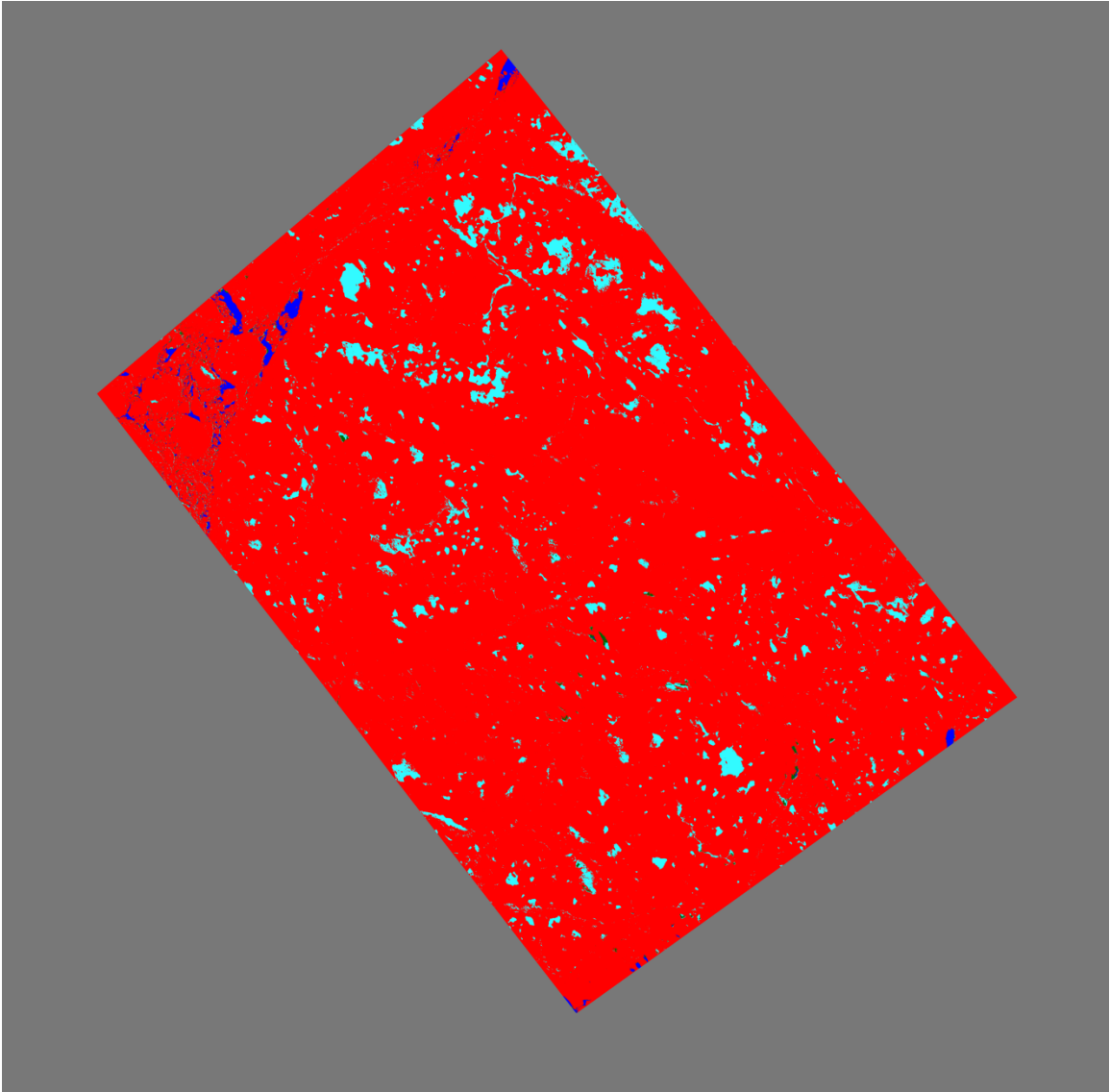


Figure S32a



**Figure S32b**

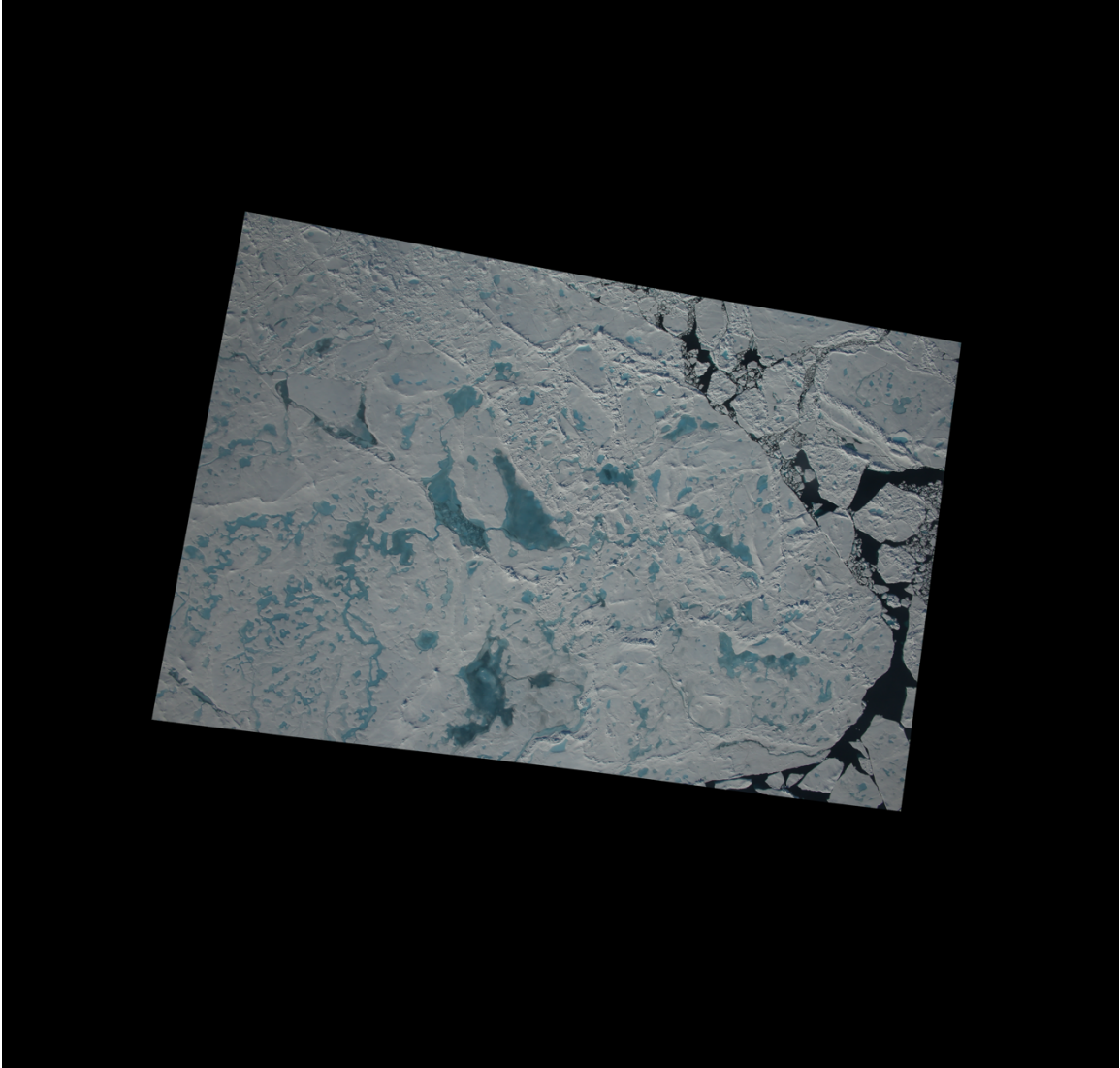
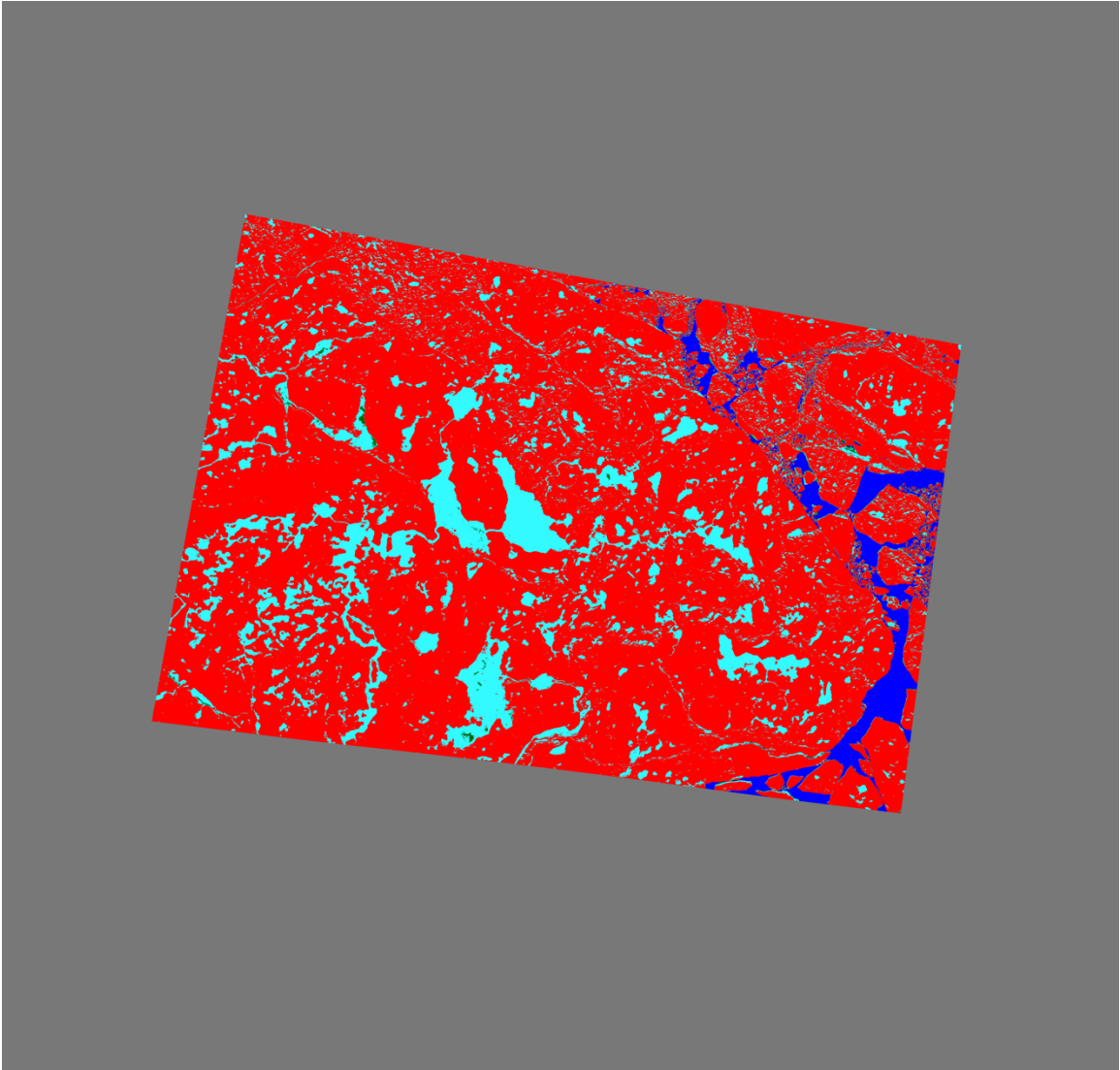


Figure S33a



**Figure S33b**

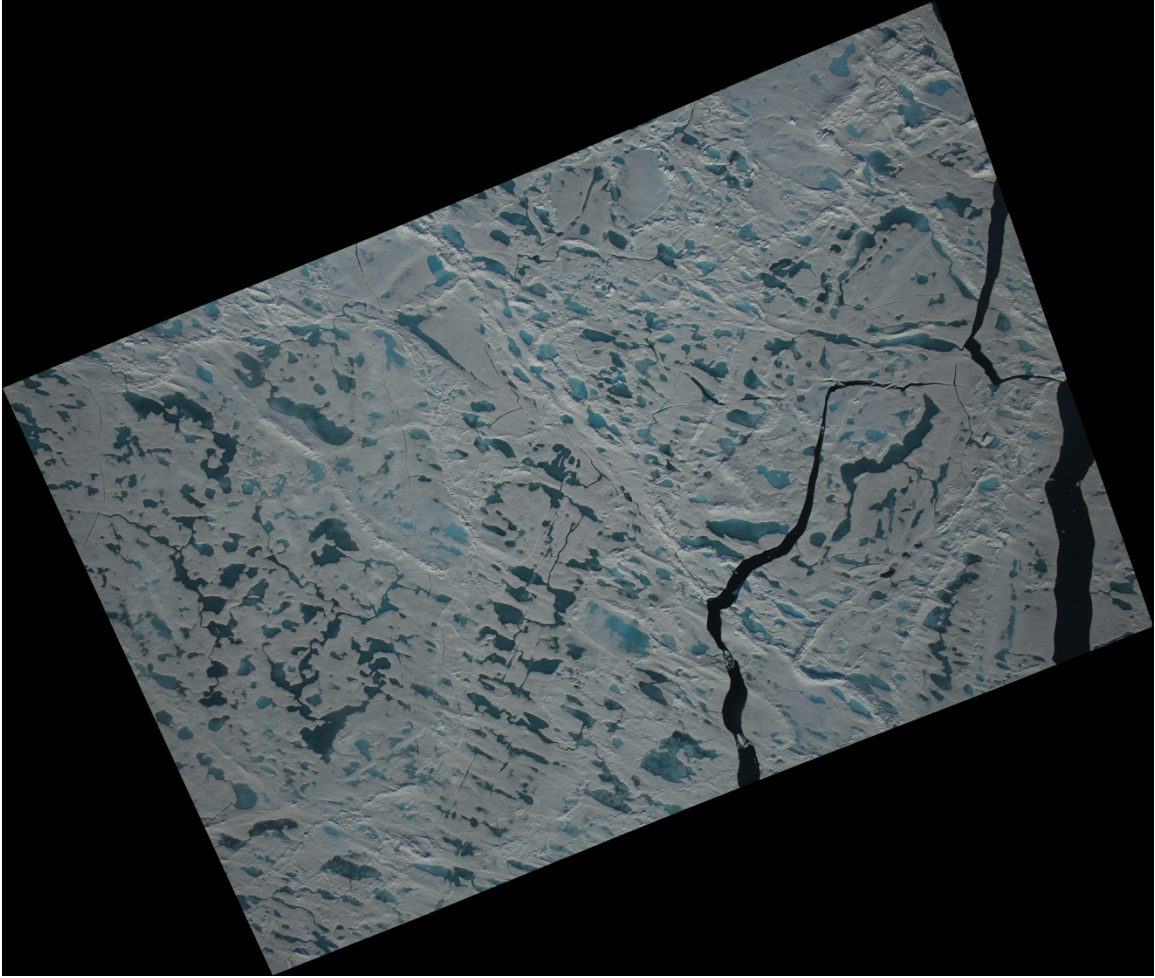


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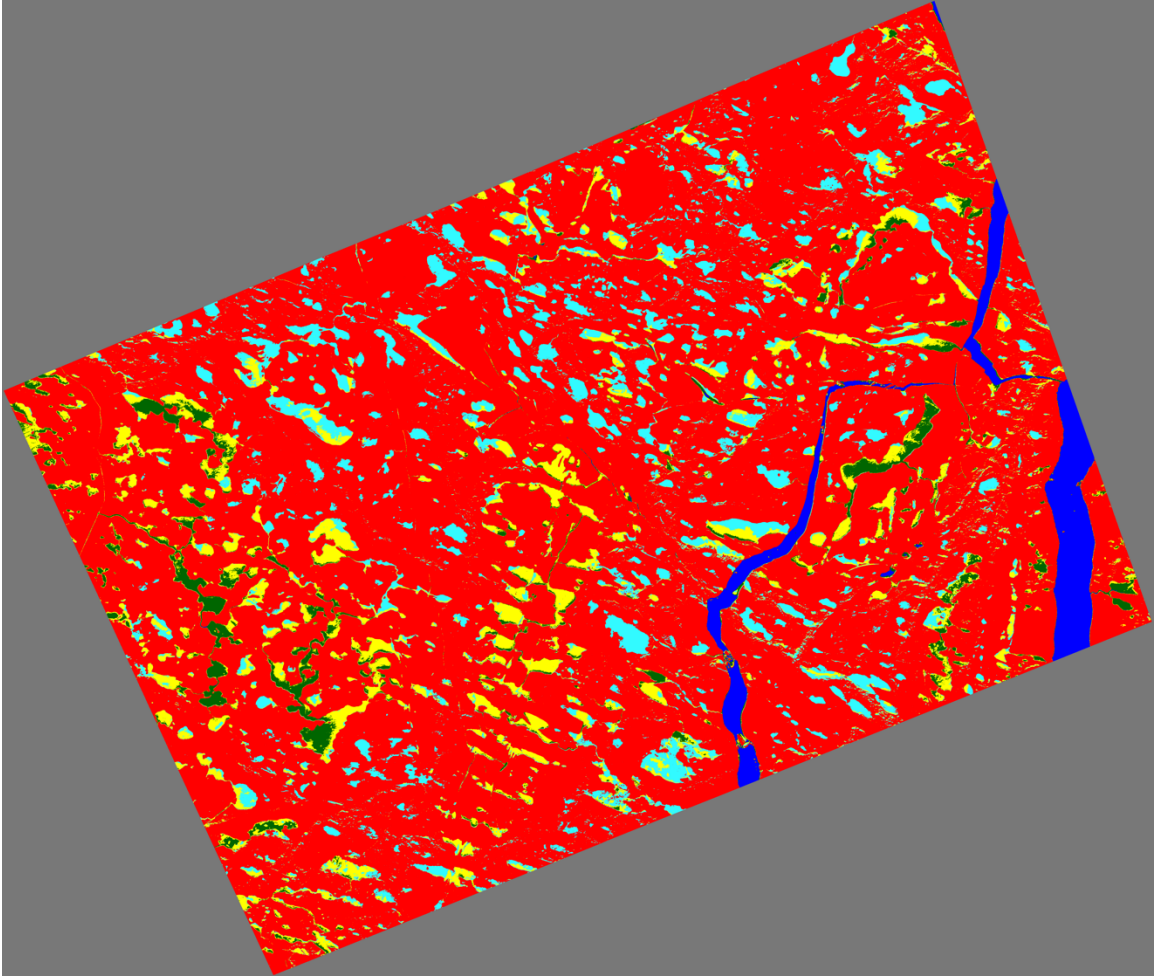


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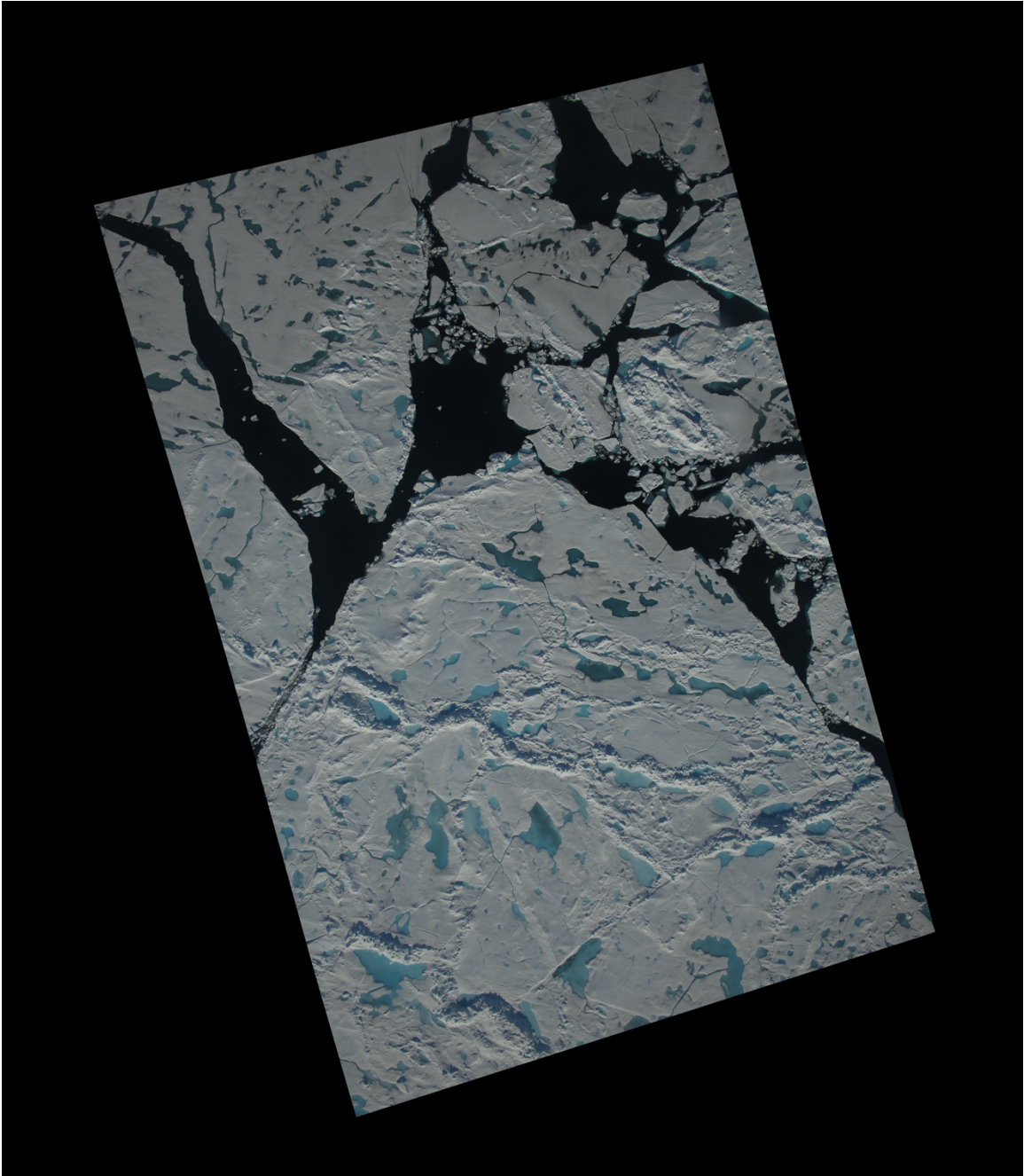


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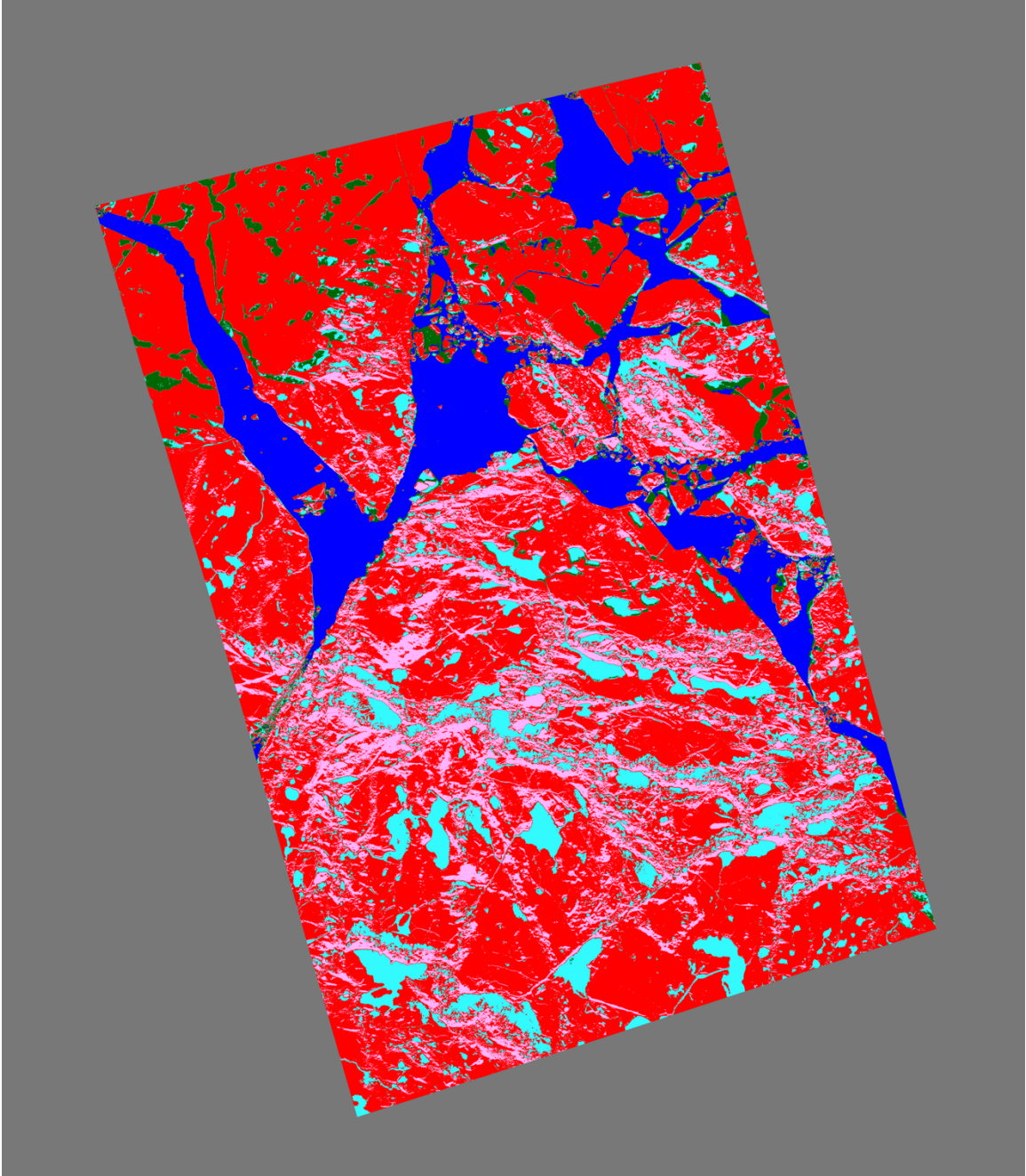


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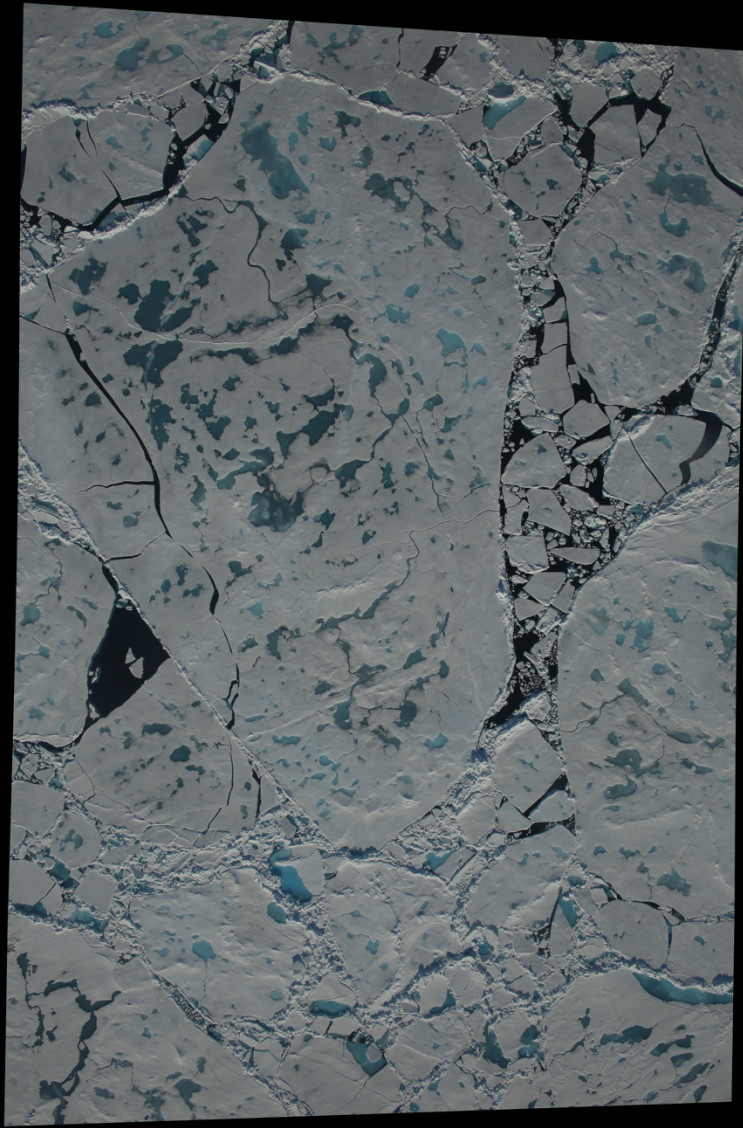


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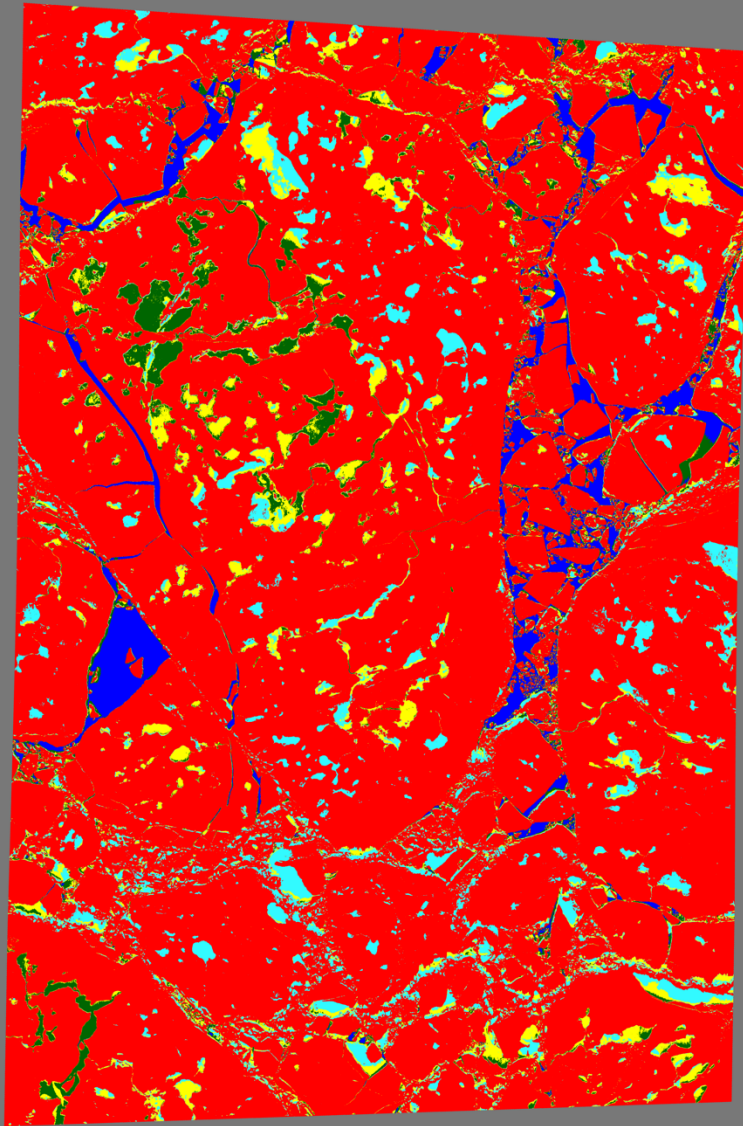


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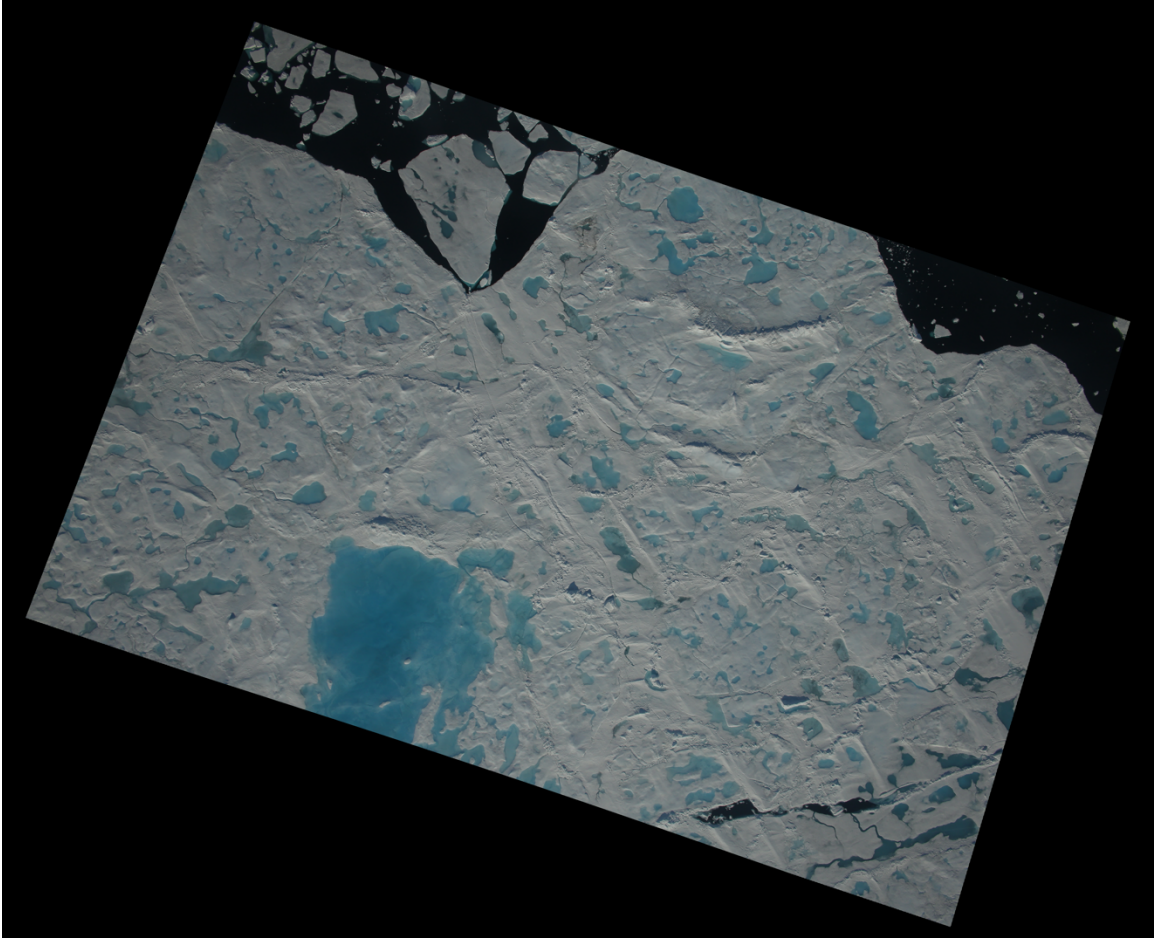


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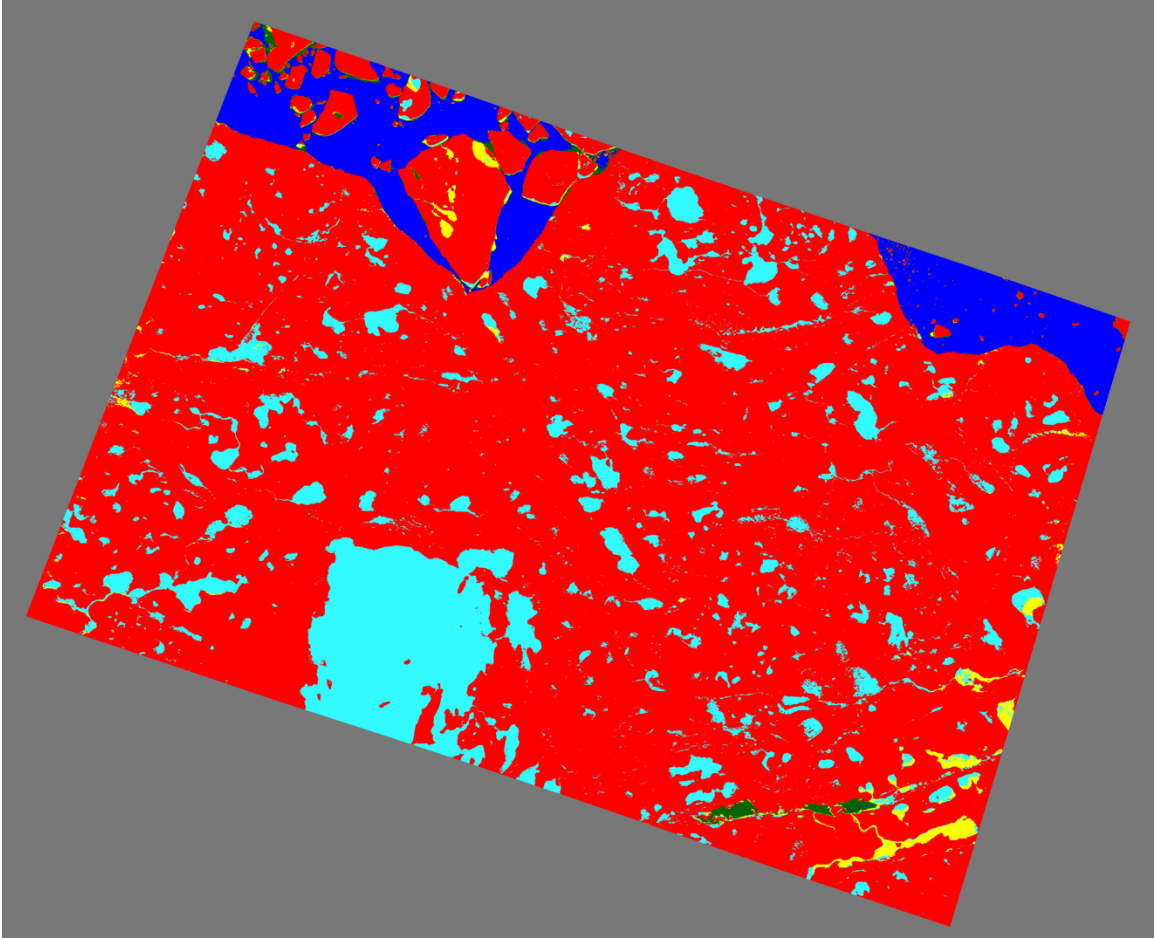


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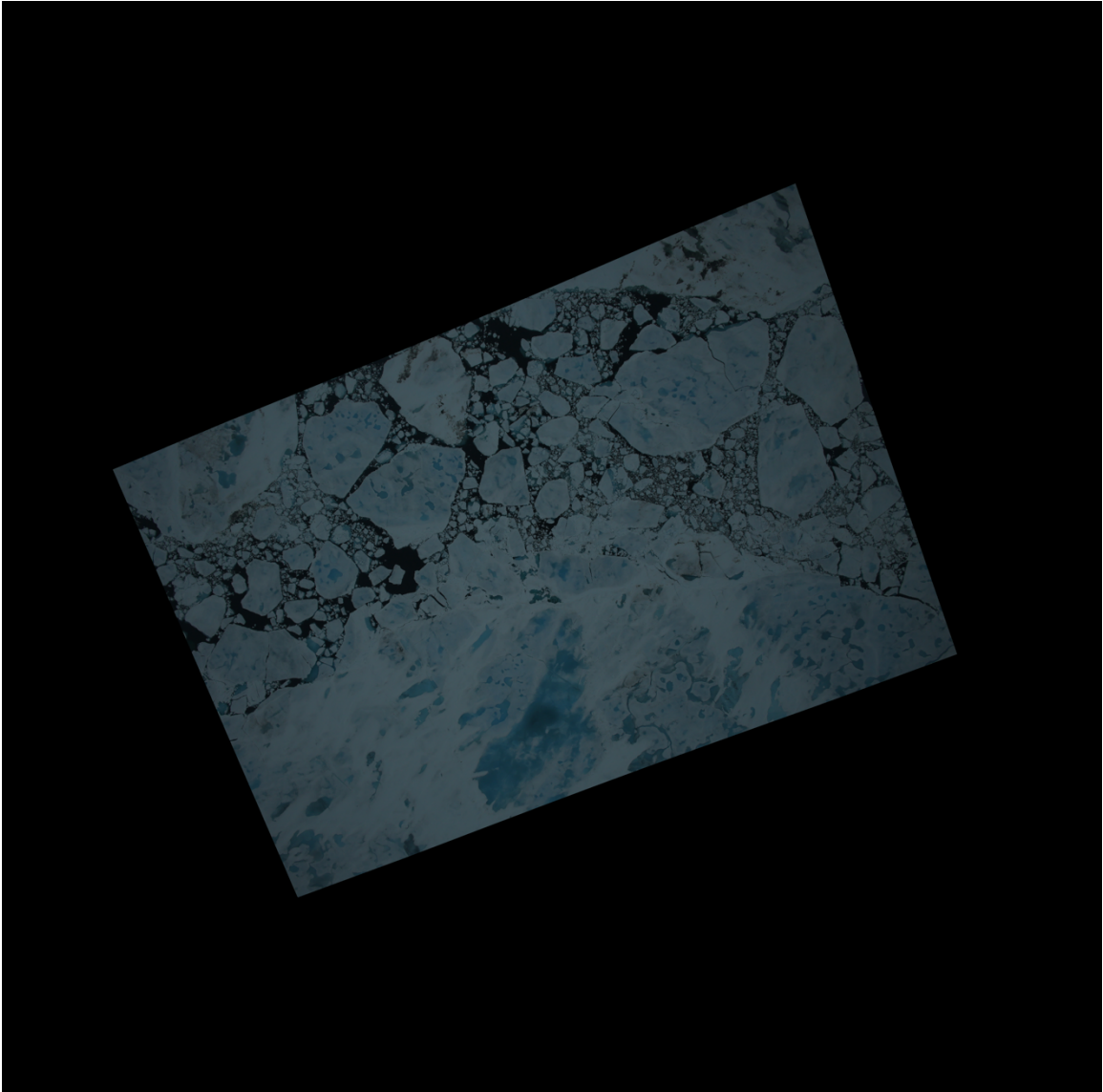


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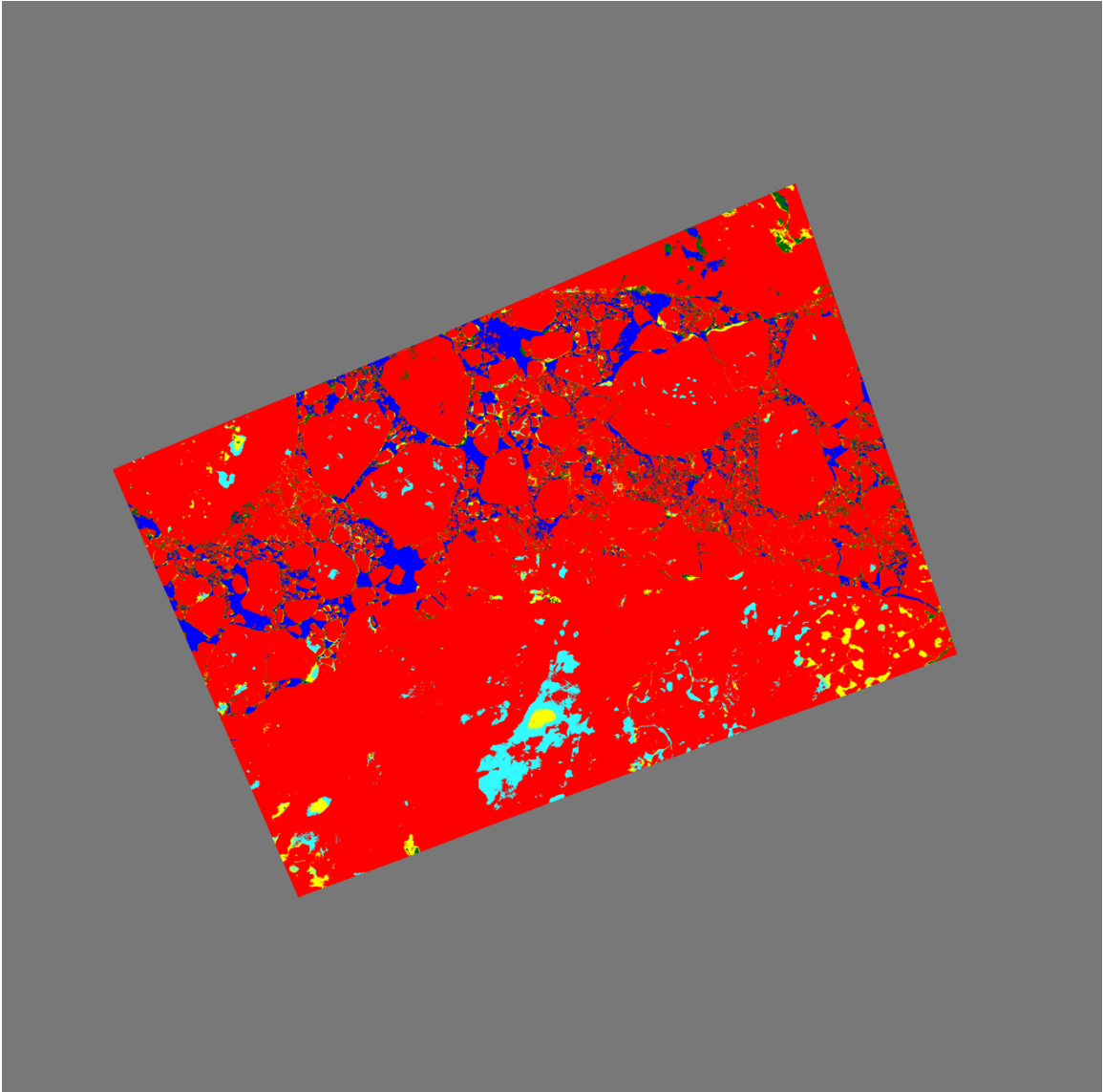


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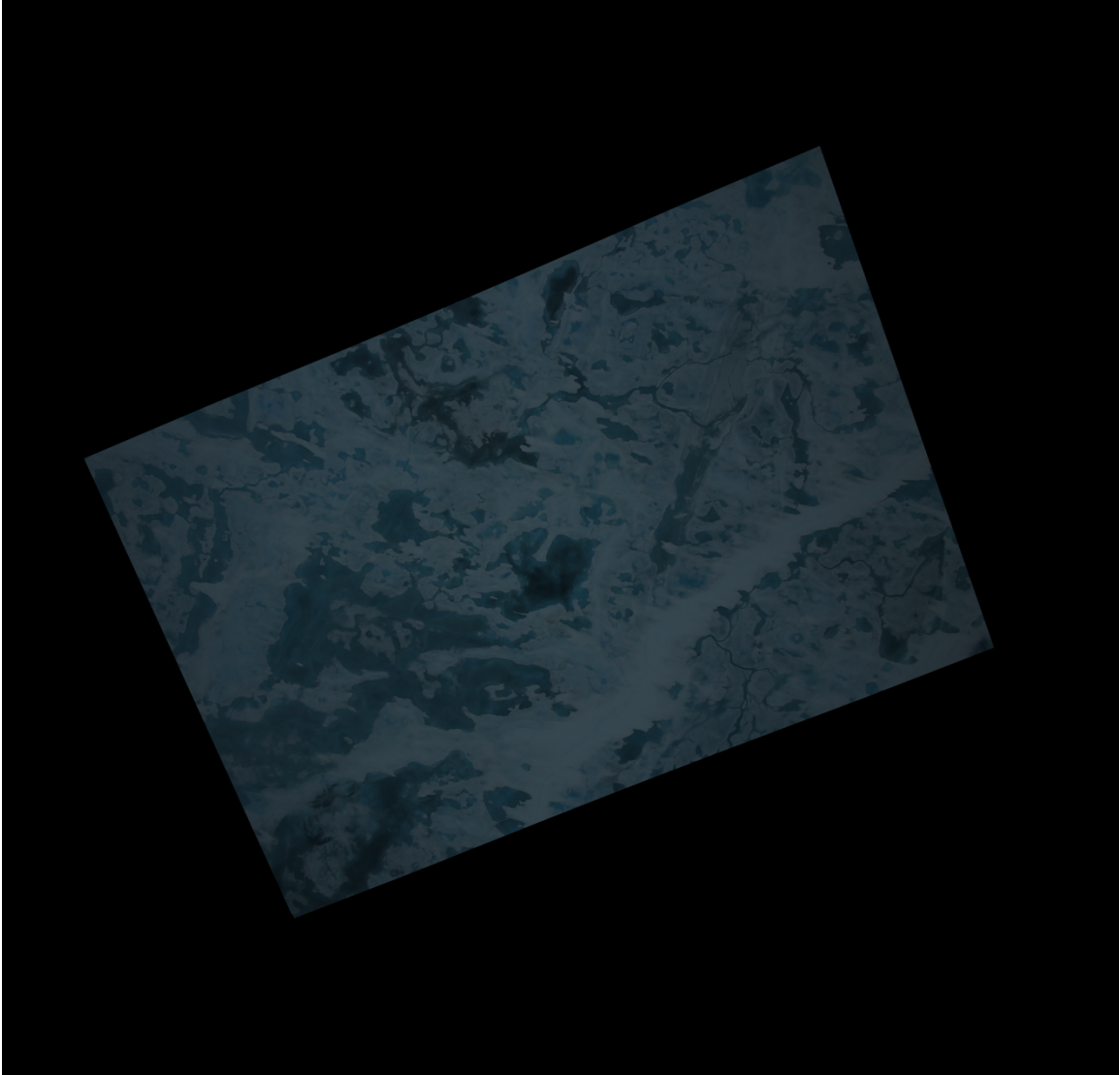
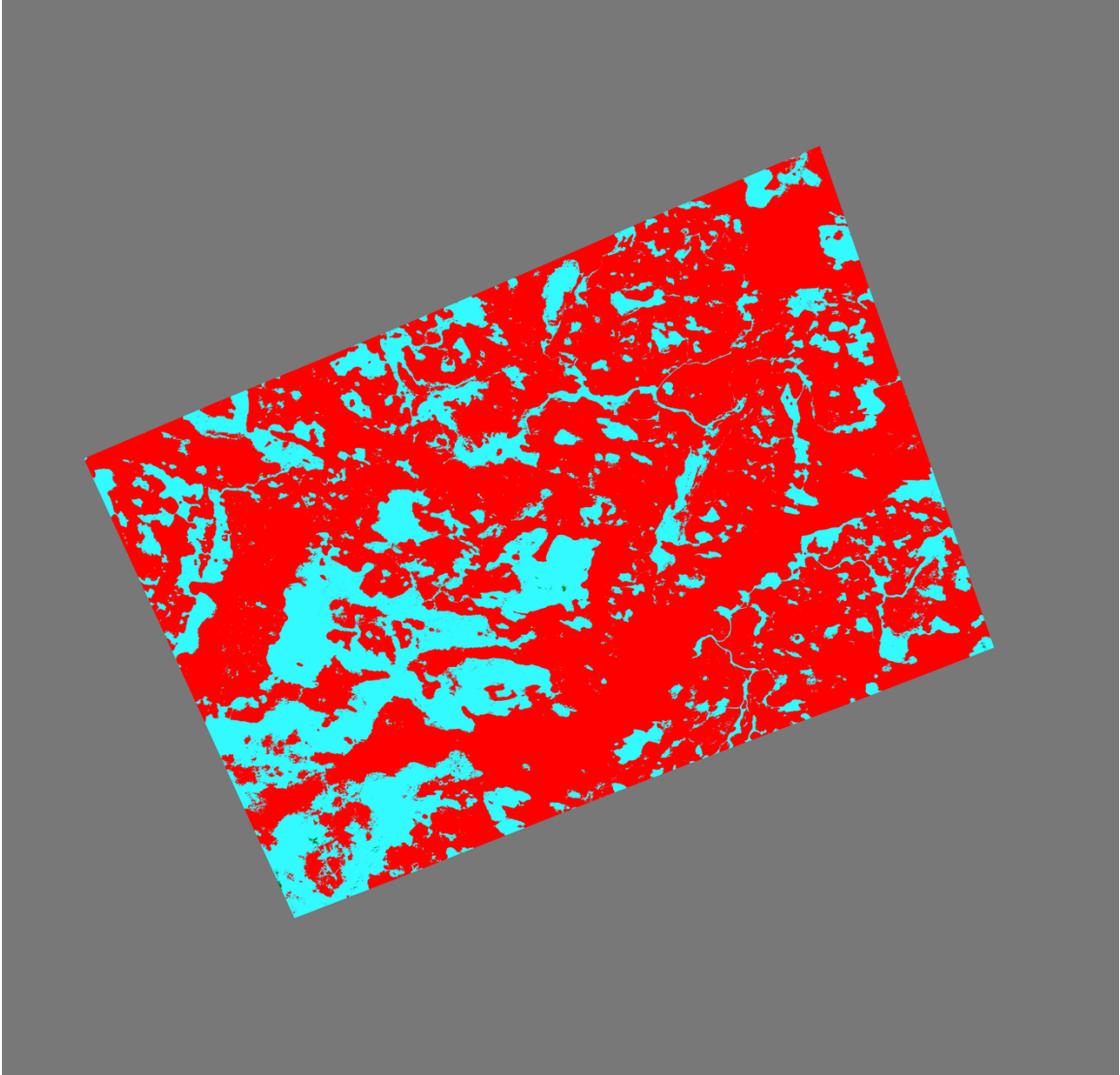


Figure S39a





**Figure S39b**

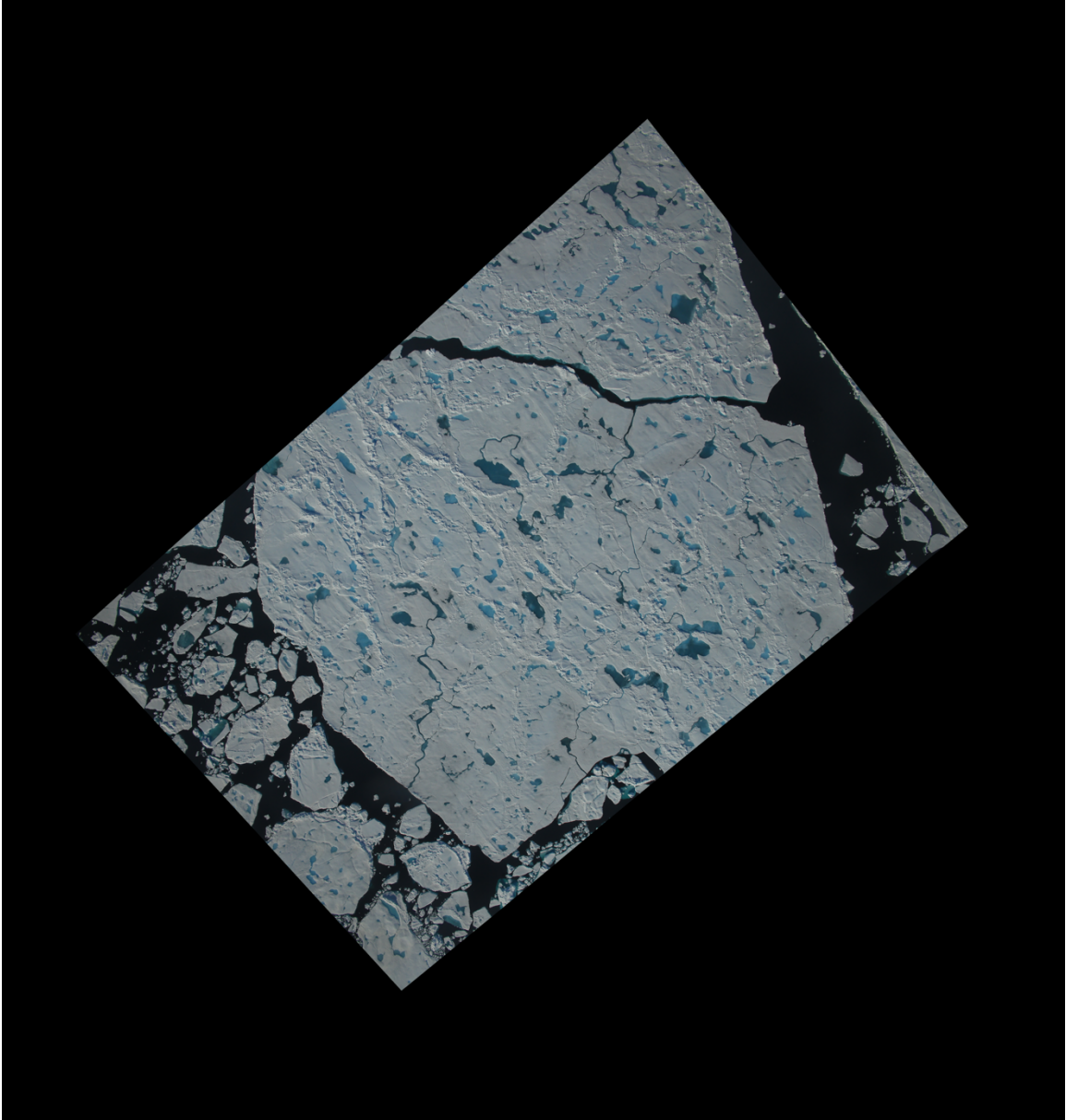


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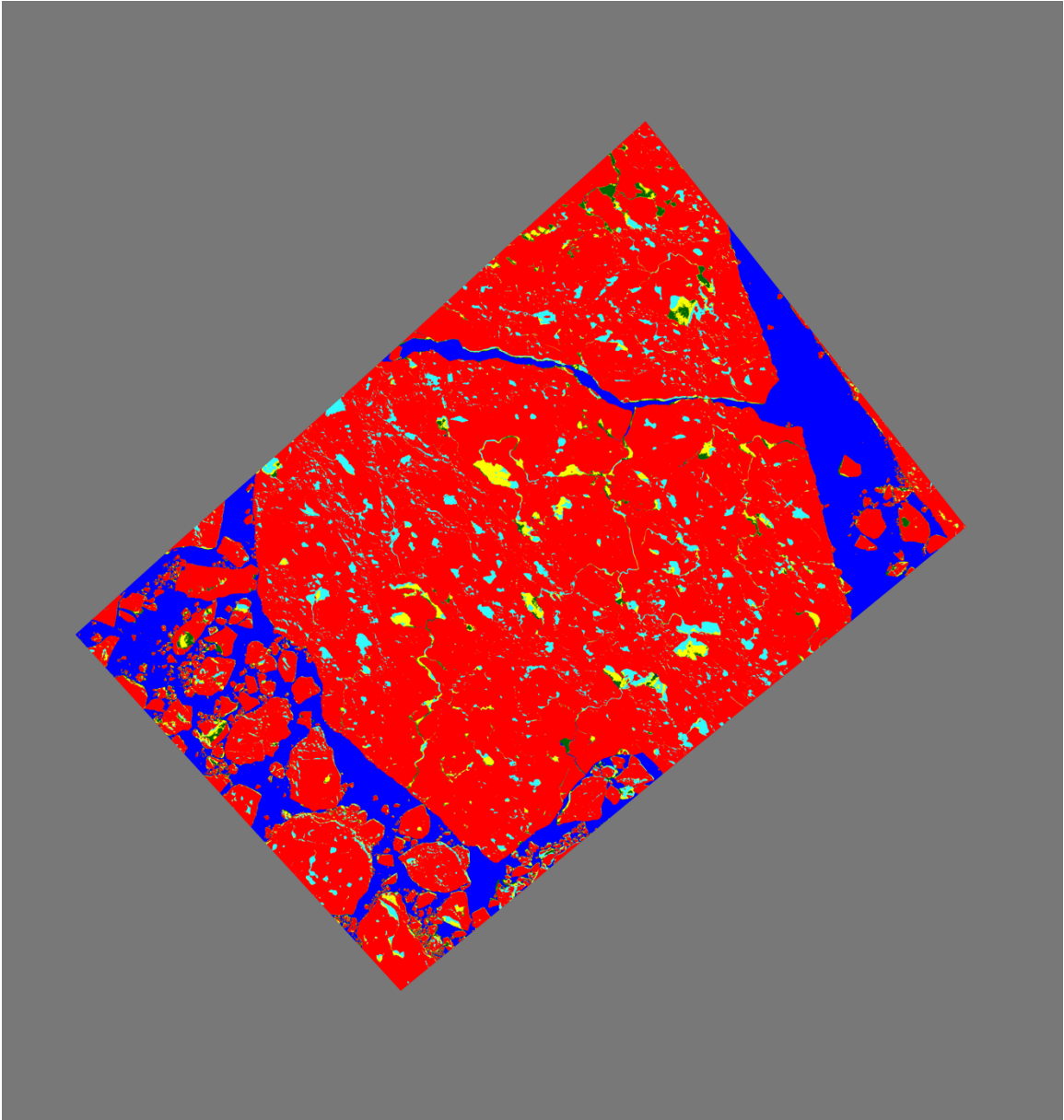
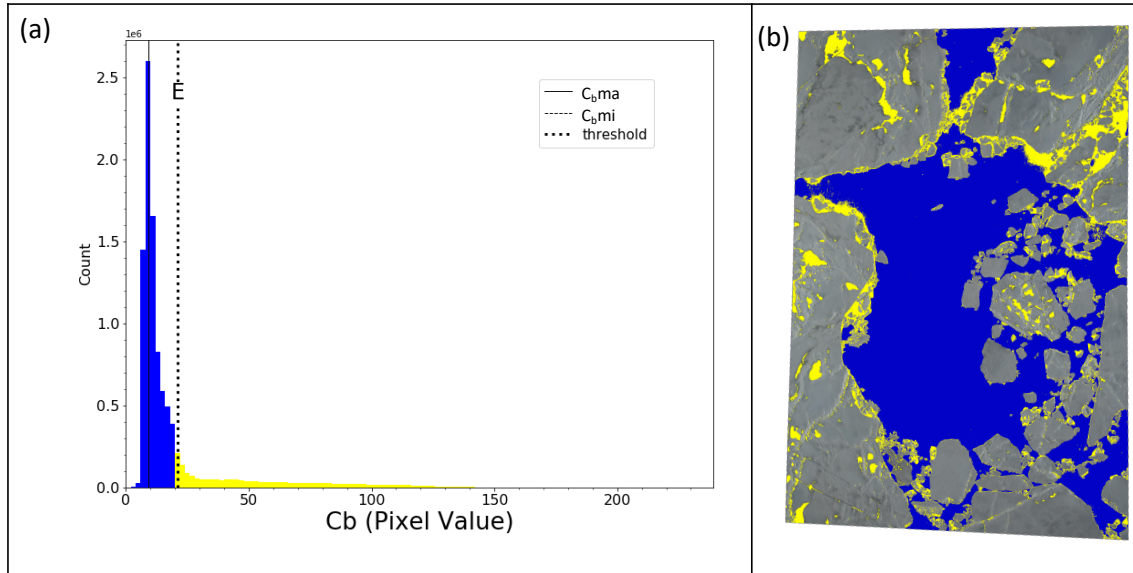


Figure S40b



**Figure S41.** Methodology to identify open water pixels. (a) distribution of  $C_b$  pixels remaining after ice pixels have been classified. Threshold  $E$  separates open water pixels (blue) from MP pixels (yellow). (b) classified image showing open water pixels (blue), MP pixels (yellow), and ice pixels (natural color). Same as Figure 7 in the paper but an example where Threshold  $E$  was determined by Equation 10.