

Pattern-based approach to geospatial datasets – methodology and software

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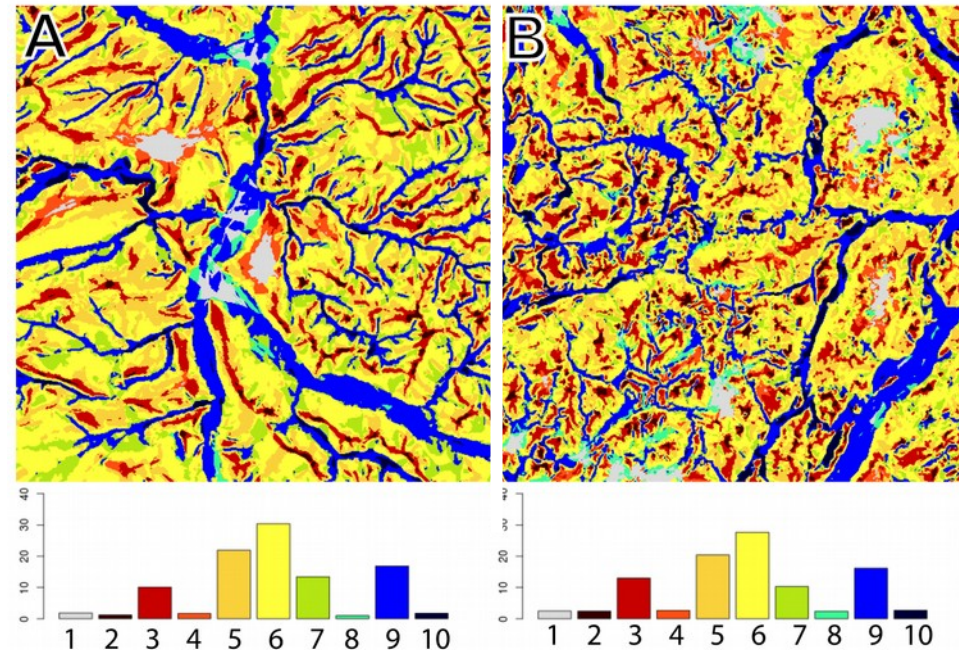
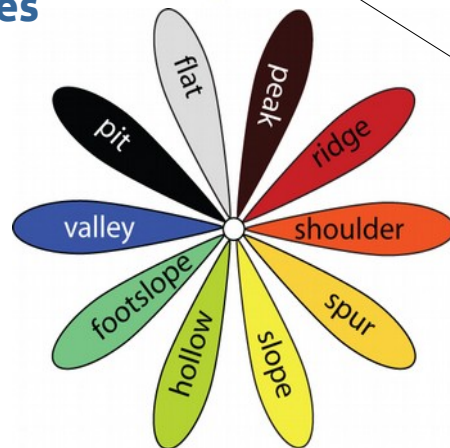
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What is a pattern?

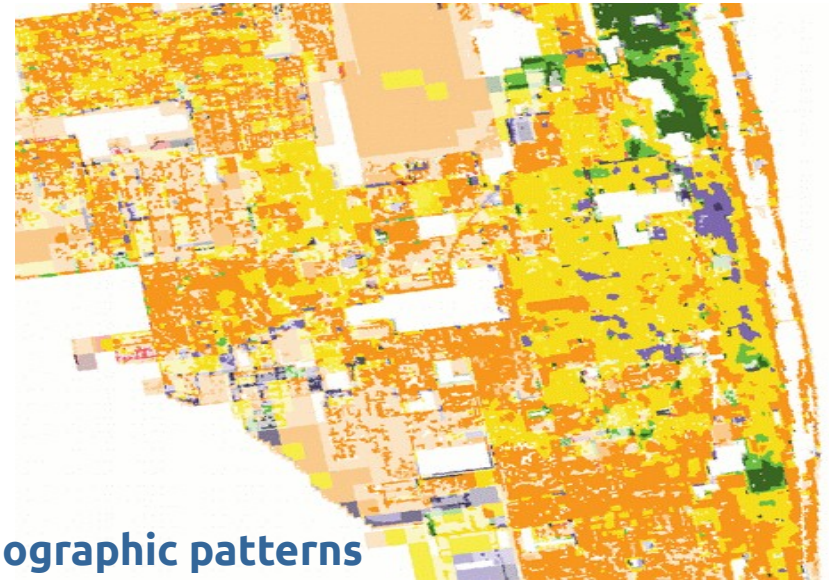
Why patterns?

24402 x 25428 cells
and 10 terrain classes



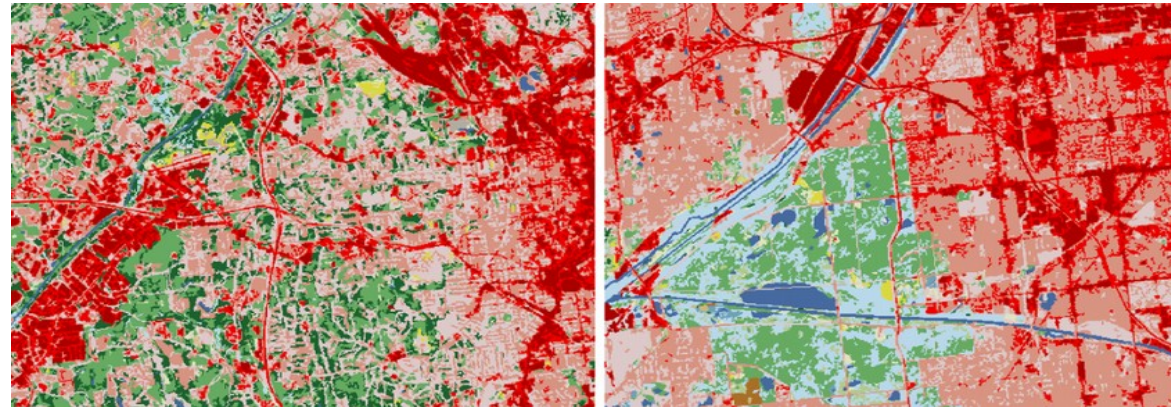
When patterns are important?

Patterns in remotely sensed RGB images



Geodemographic patterns

Patterns in Landcover maps



Patterns take into account not only assamblage of categories but also its spatial arrangement

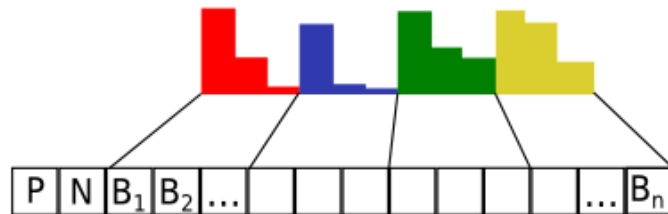
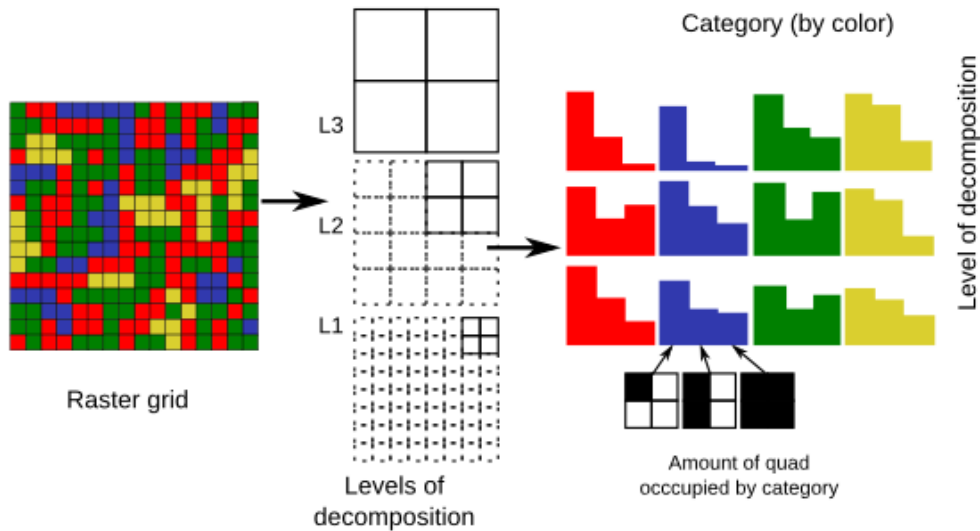
How to do GIS with Patterns?

- How to describe?
(Present in a form available for further processing)
- How to attribute?
(Locate pattern's signature in geographical space)
- How to process?
(Include patterns into geoprocessing routines)

- Do we have appropriate software? **(YES!)**
- Does it really good for anything? **(Examples!)**

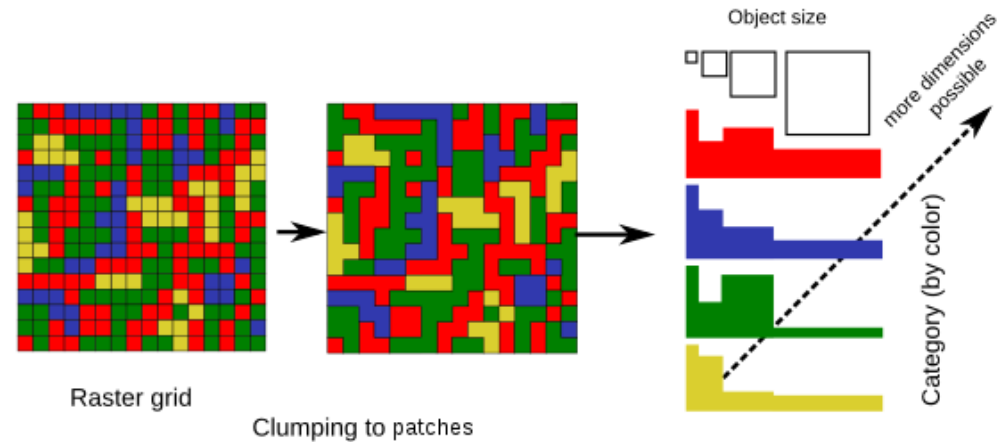
Pattern description. What is a signature?

Hierarchical decomposition

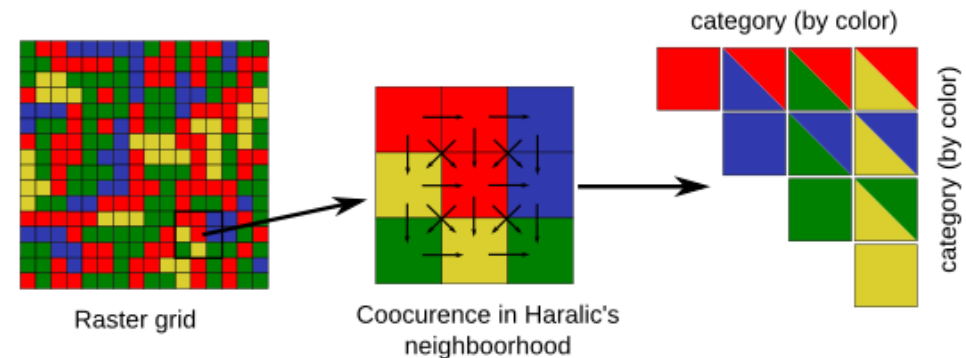


**Signature is a histogram transformed to PDF
so $\text{sum}(\text{bins})=1$**

Crossproduct of categories and size

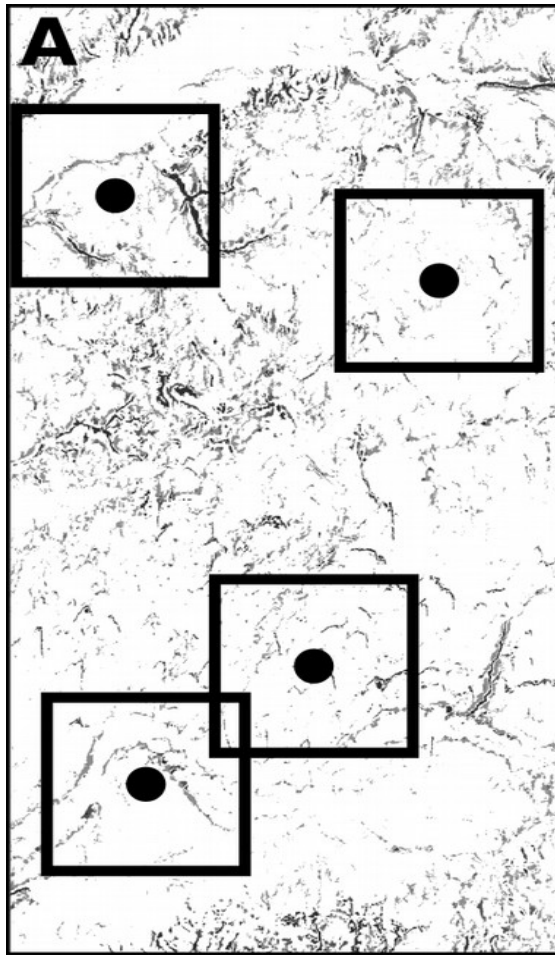


Co-occurrence of categories



Signatures are rotationally invariant !

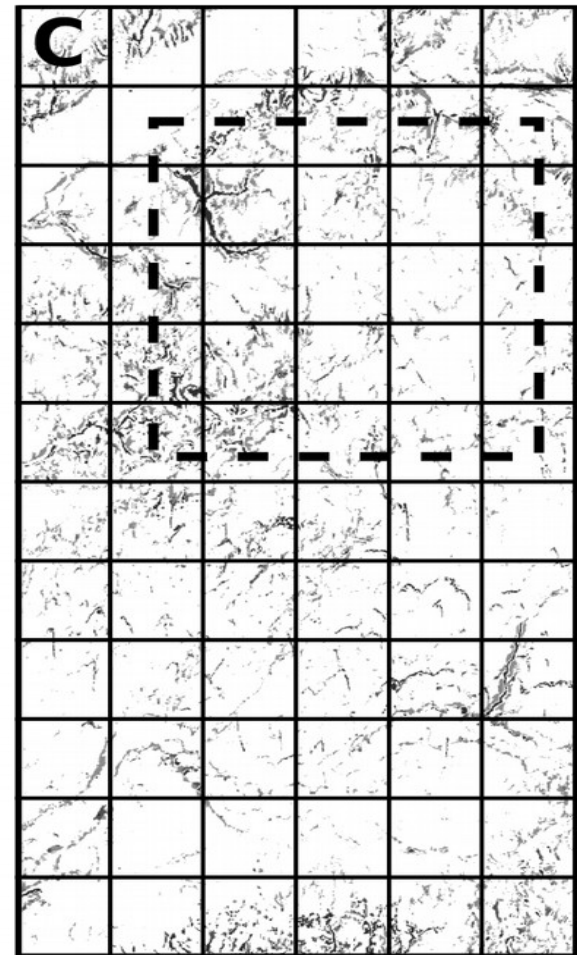
How we put signatures into geographical space?



Points



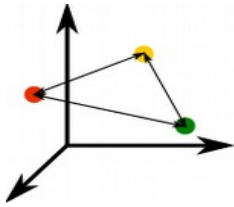
Polygons



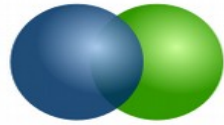
Grid

Signatures are calculated for **scenes**. Scene is our basic data structure

similarity/distance measures



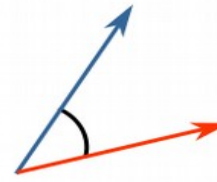
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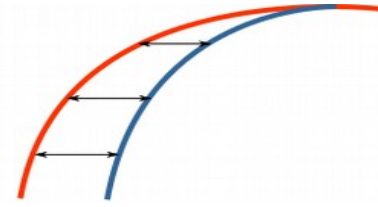
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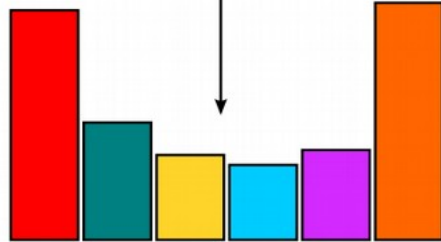
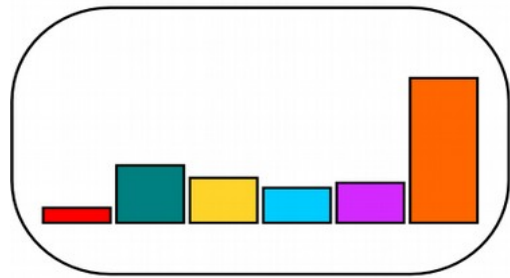
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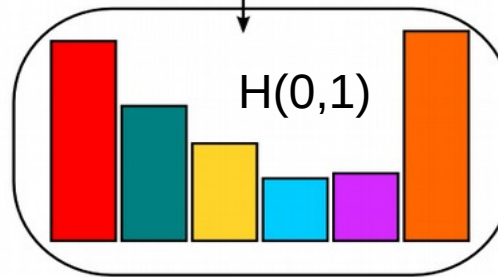
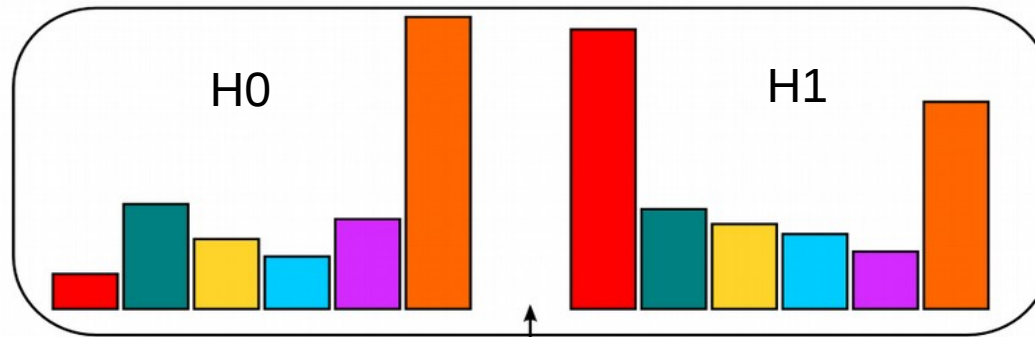


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Jaccard

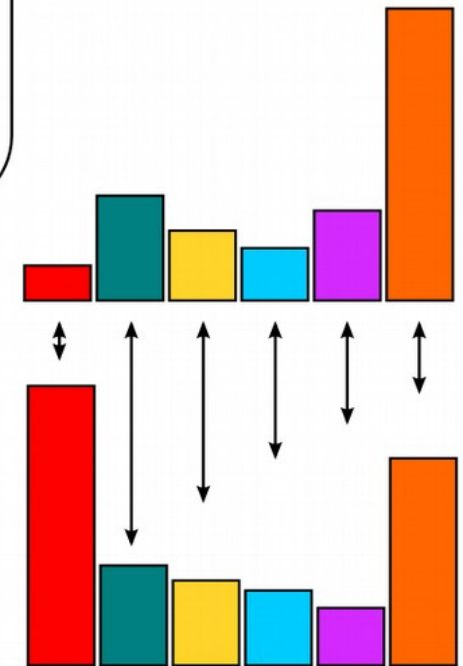
$$d_J = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d P_i Q_i}{\sum_{i=1}^d P_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^d Q_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^d P_i Q_i}$$



Jensen-Shannon Divergence

$$d_{JSD} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d \left[\frac{P_i \log_2 P_i + Q_i \log_2 Q_i}{2} - \left(\frac{P_i + Q_i}{2} \right) \log_2 \left(\frac{P_i + Q_i}{2} \right) \right]}$$

similarity=1-distance



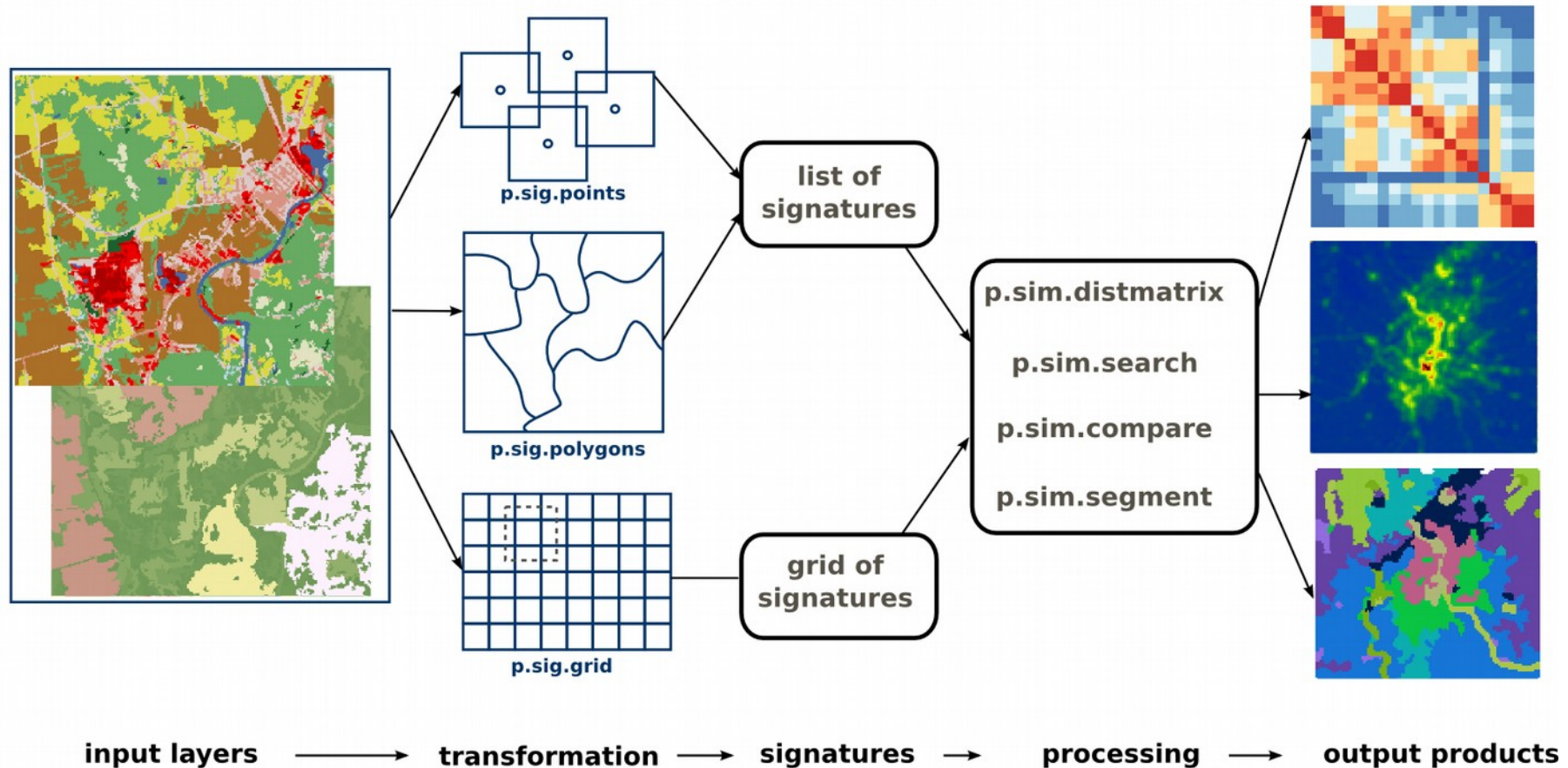
Wave Hedges

$$d_{WH} = \sum_{i=0}^d e_i \frac{|P_i - Q_i|}{\max(P_i, Q_i)}$$

Data processing: raster, scene, process, results

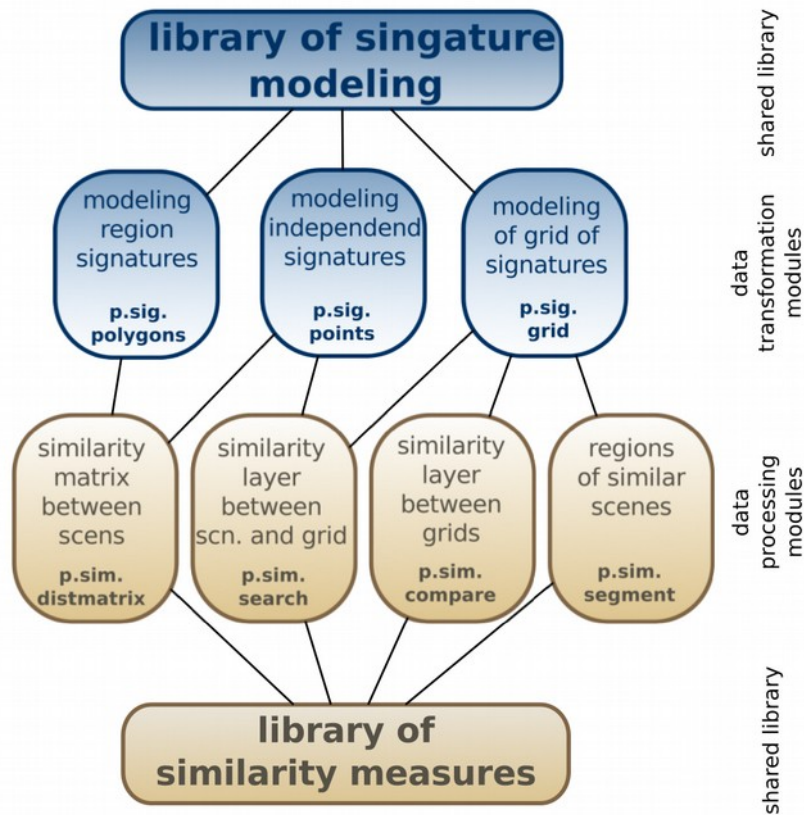
scene definition

measures



If signature is an attribute – similarity measure becomes essential for the query!

The software



GRASS GIS

The world's leading Free GIS software

p.sim.segment [similarity, segmentation, information retrieval]

segments grid of histograms using available similarity measures and create layer of unique regions

Required ☐ EMD ☐ Optional ☐ Command output ☒ Manual

Input file containing grid histograms: (grid=name)

or enter values interactively

Quantity of nulls in scene to omit scene calculation: (nulls=float)

Similarity calculation method: (measure=string)

Minimum similarity threshold to build areas: (threshold=float)

Minimum number of cells in individual segment: (minarea=integer)

Number of border corrections iterations: (swaps=integer)

Output layer name: (output=name)

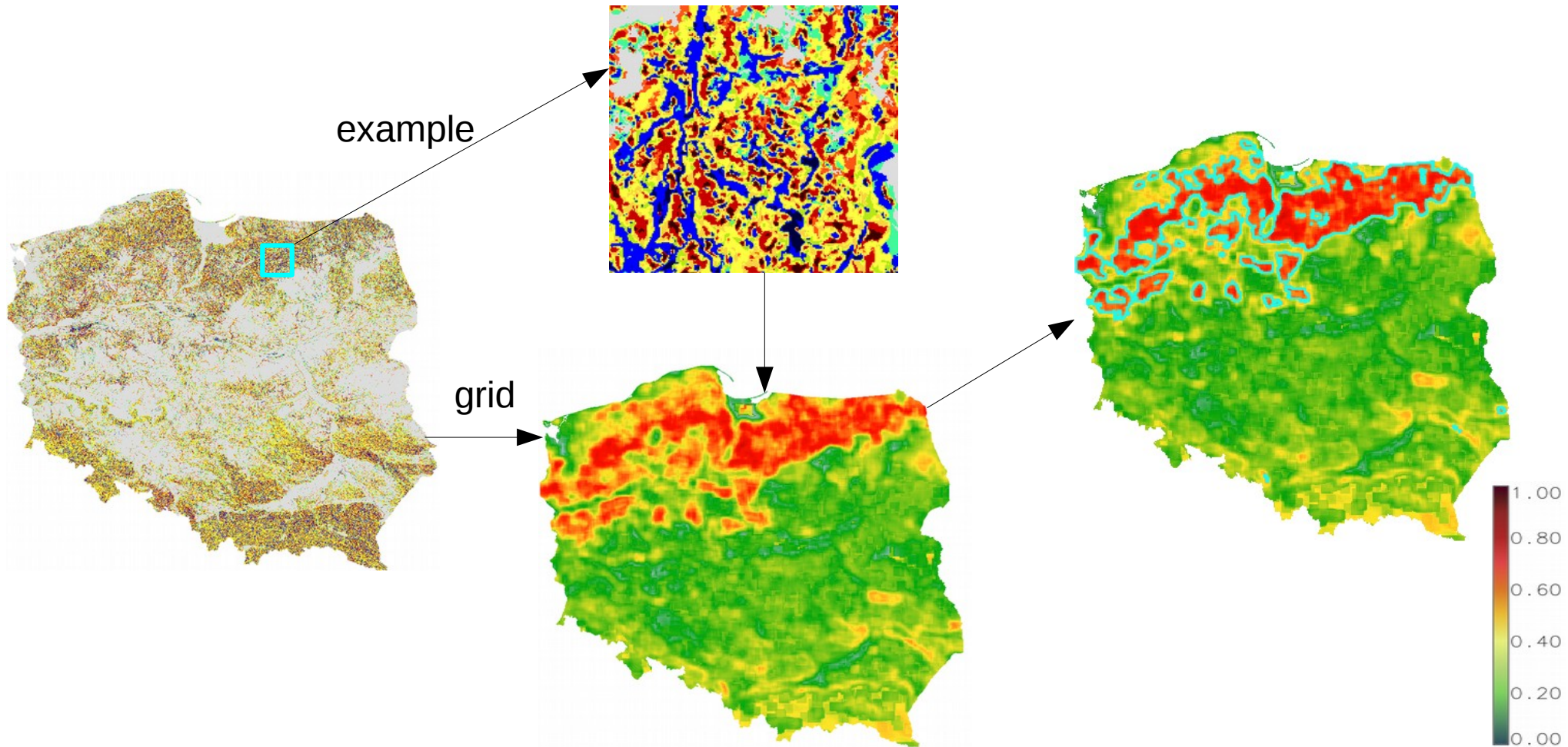
Name of output file with histograms: (histograms=name)

☒ Add created map(s) into layer tree
☐ Close dialog on finish

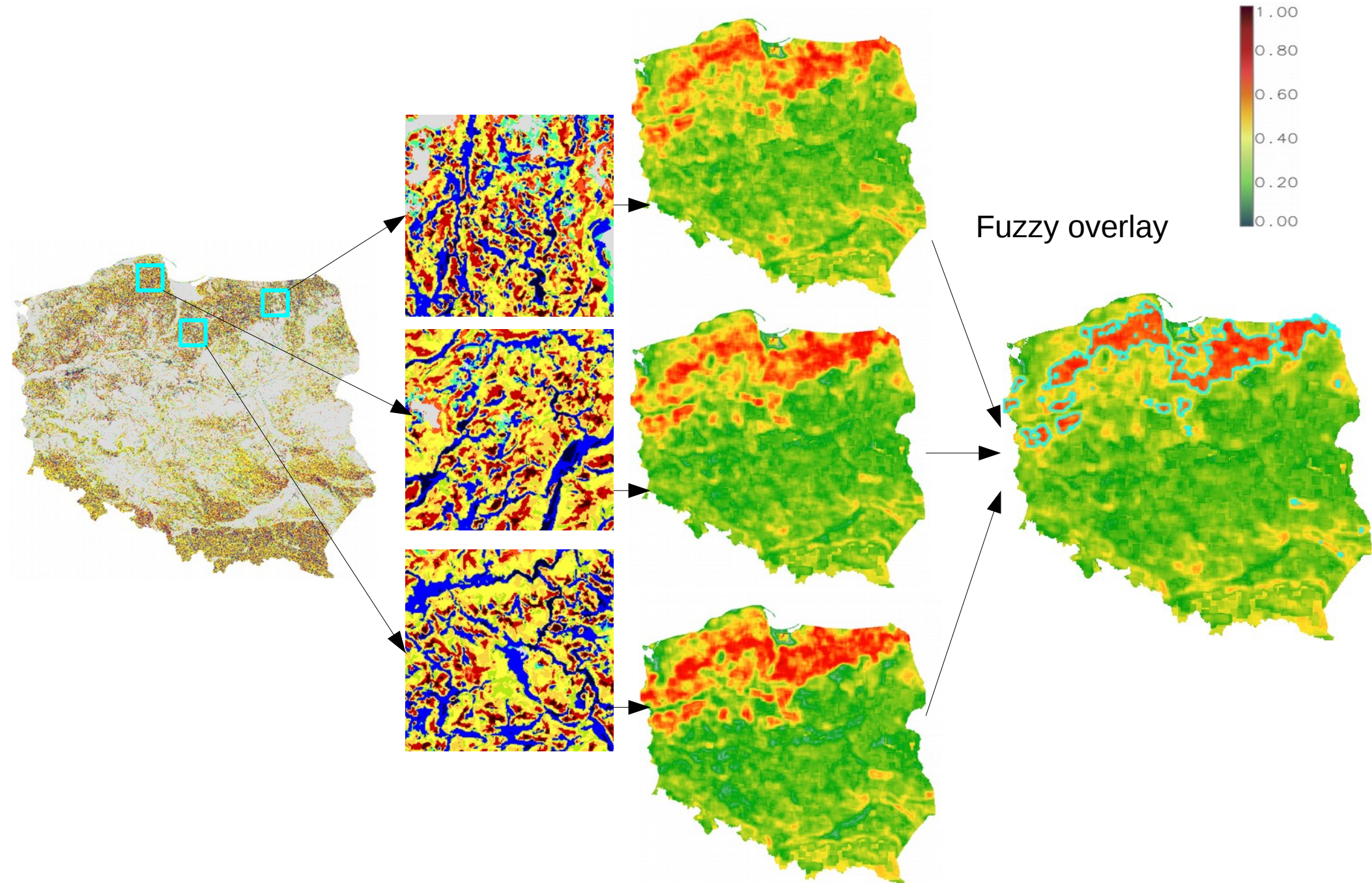
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Searching (Query)

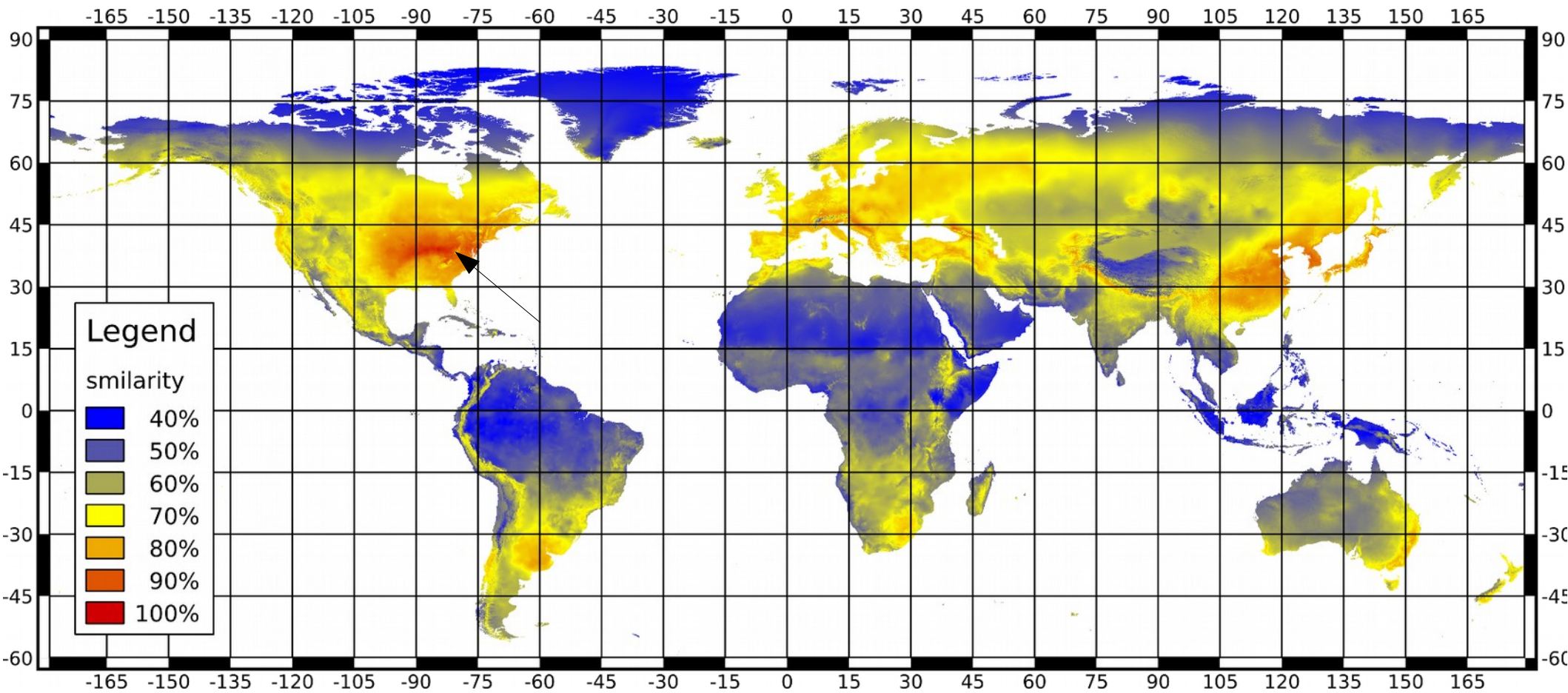
Query-By-Visual-Example (Computer Vision)



Fuzzy search



World-wide climatic data: search



Grid of 43000 x 18000 scenes each containing temporal pattern

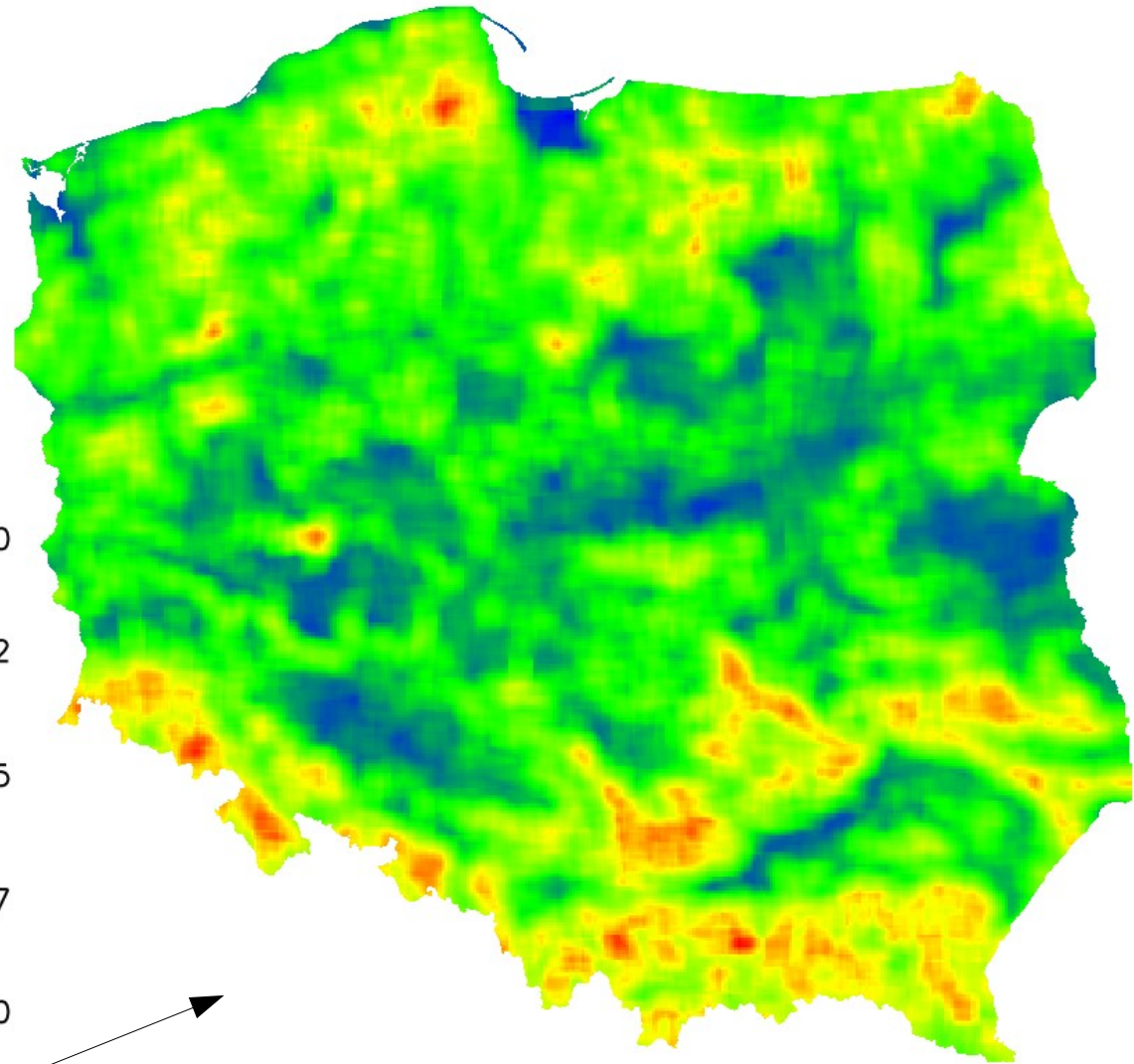
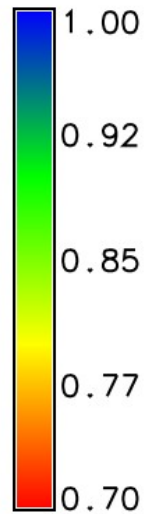
Comparison: differences between two models



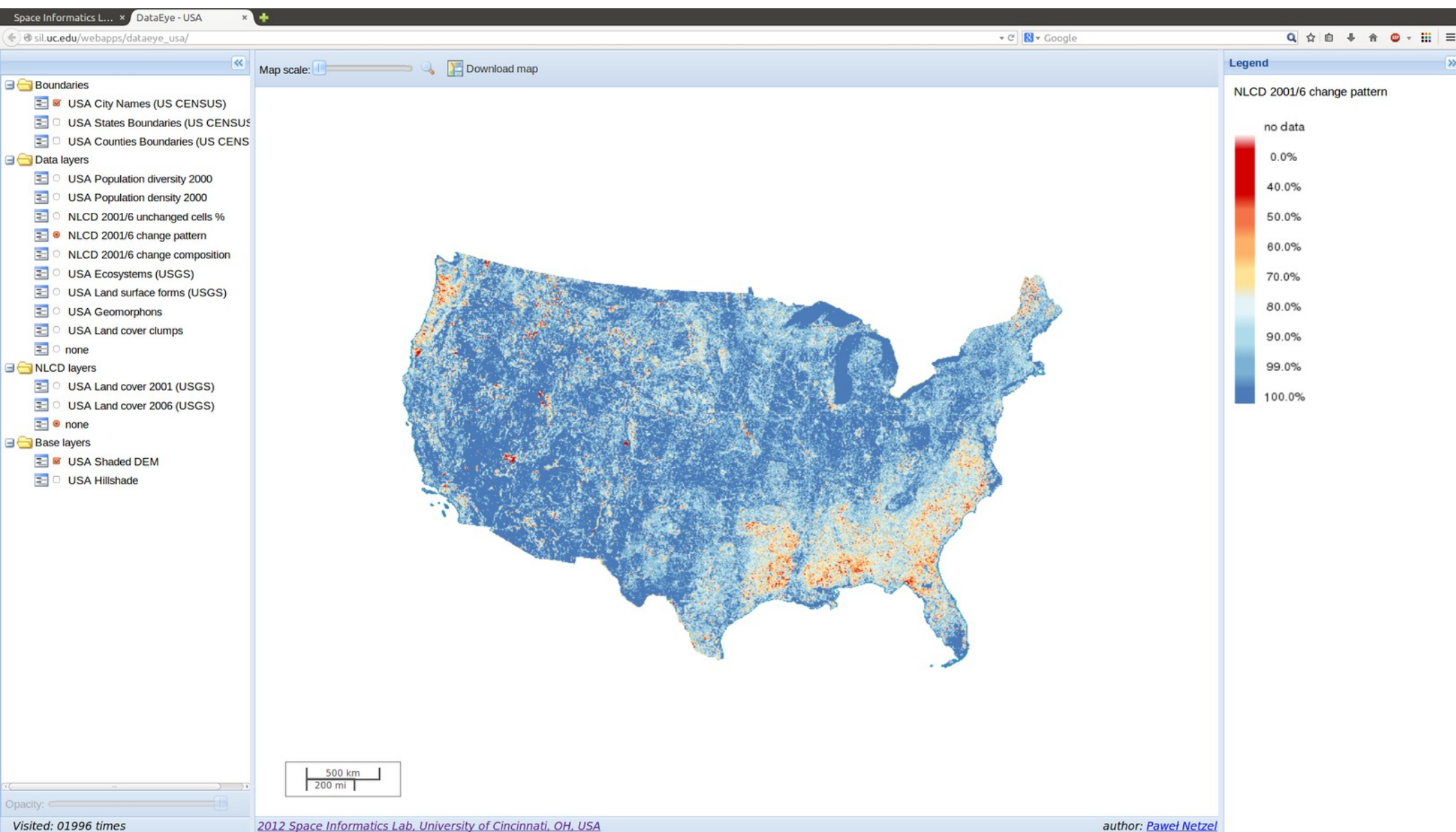
smaller search radius



bigger search radius

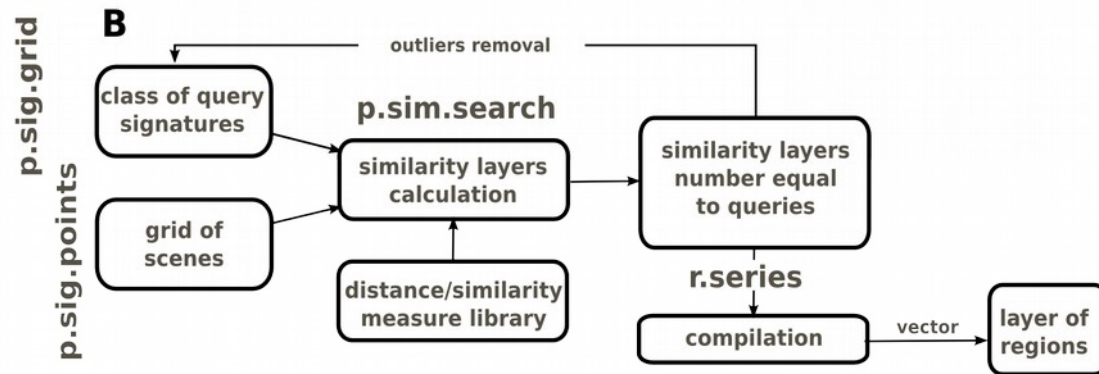


Comparison: continental scale change detection

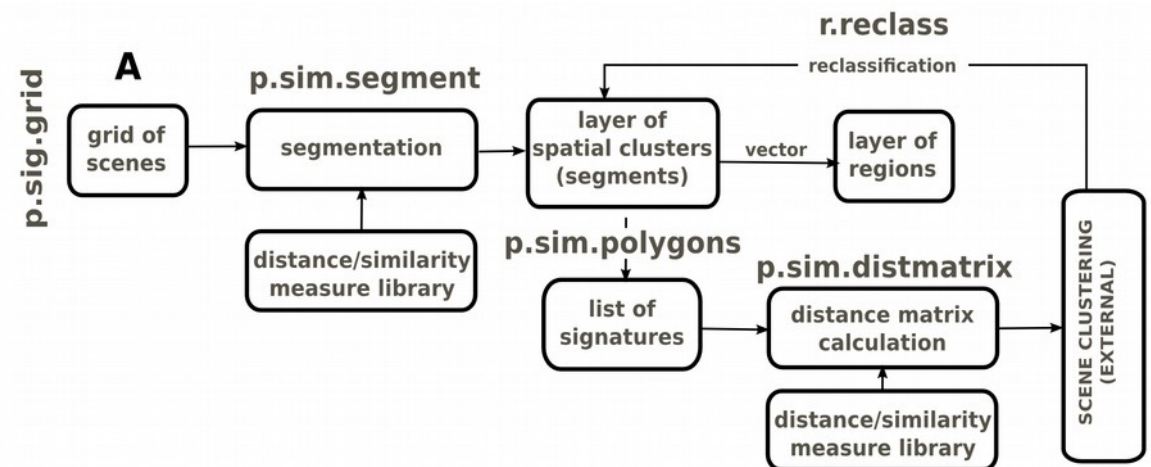


pattern change between NLCD 2001 and NLCD 2006

Supervised and unsupervised classifications

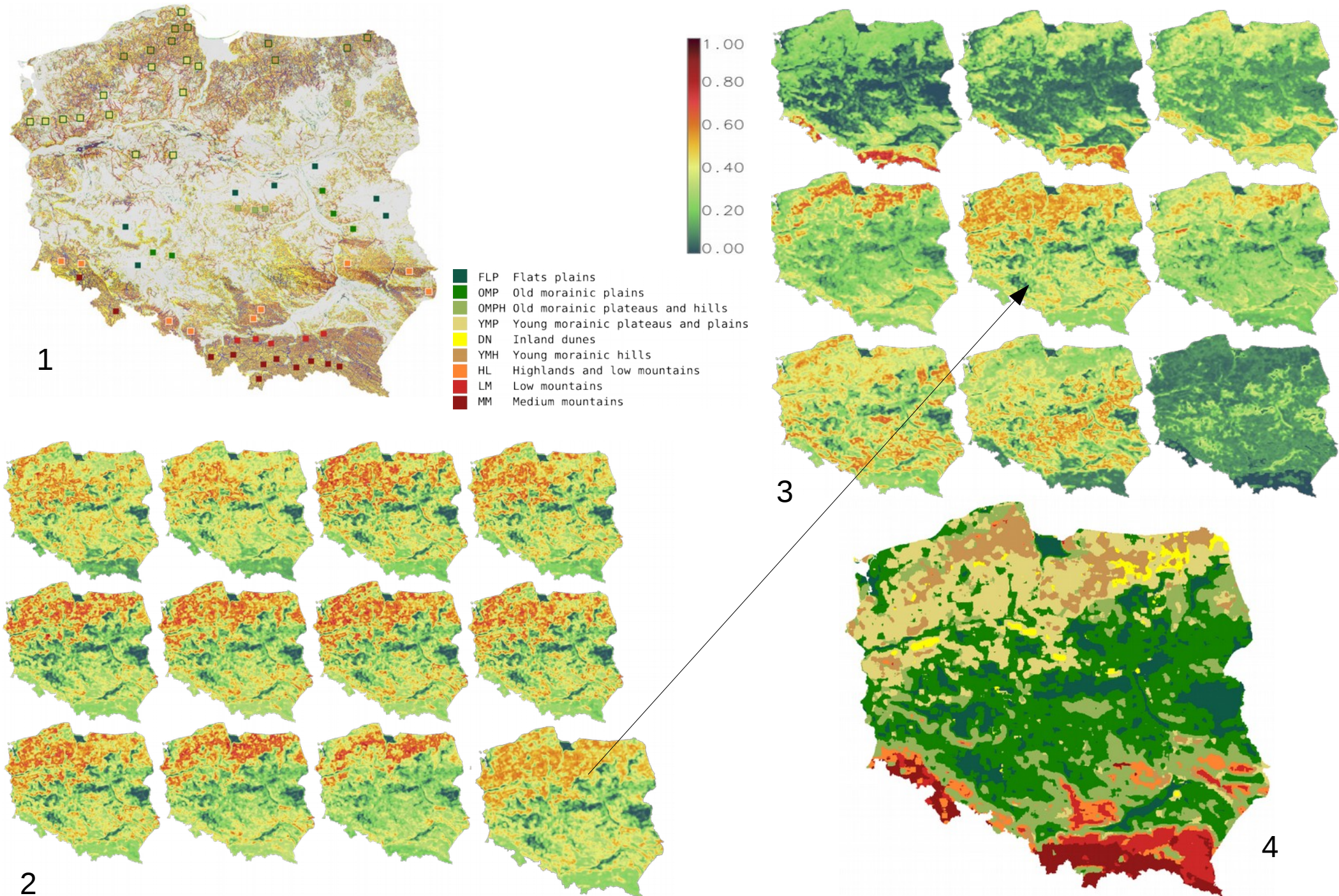


Sample-based supervised classification

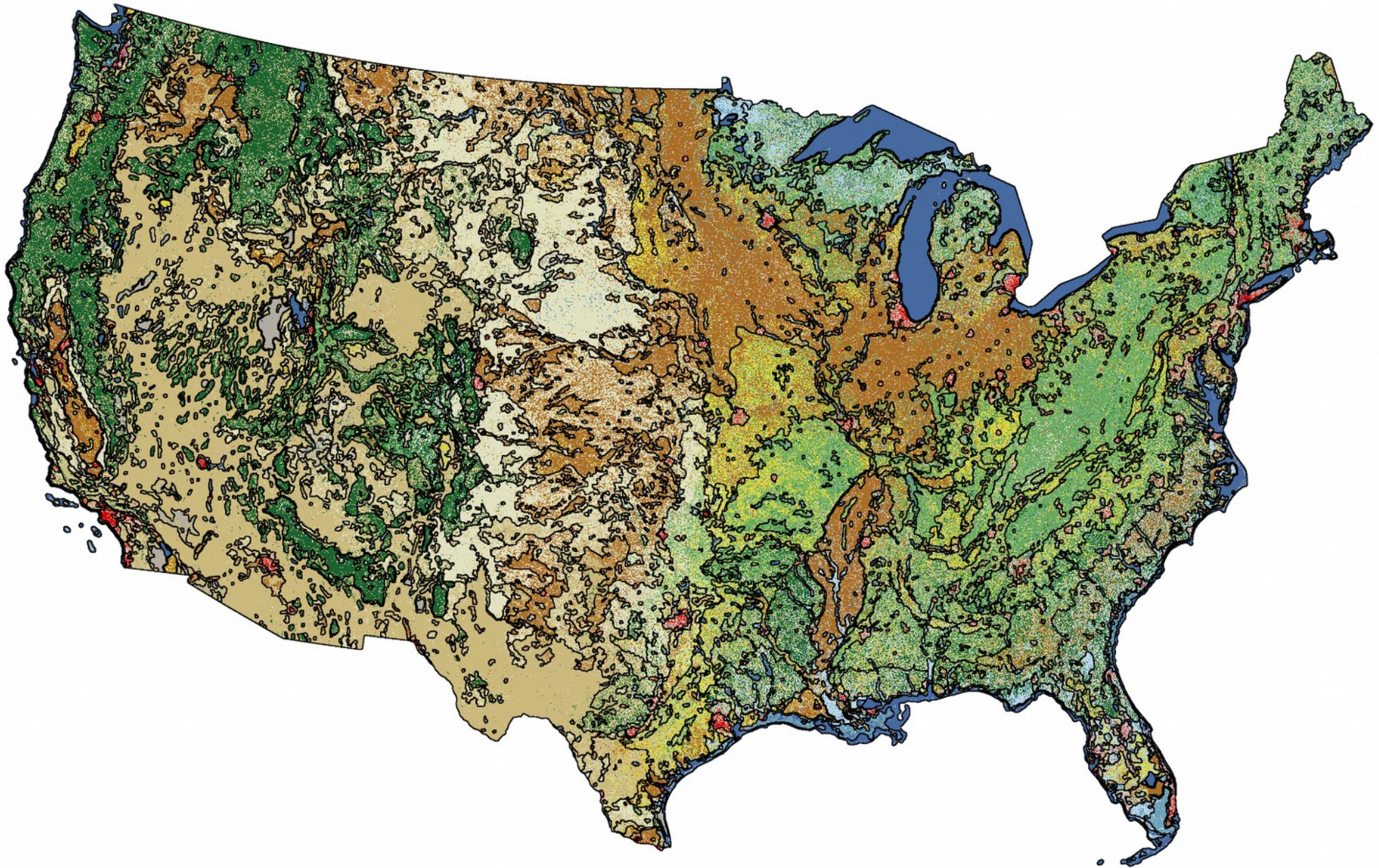


Segmentation-based unsupervised classification

Supervised classification – fuzzy search and class overlay



Segmentation of entire US

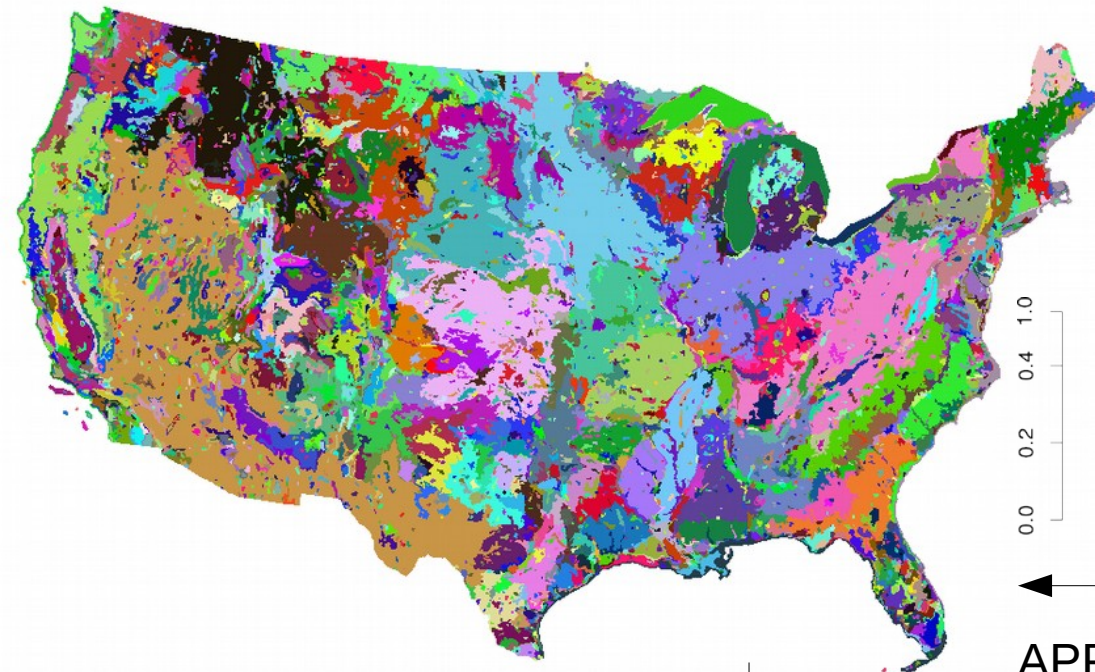
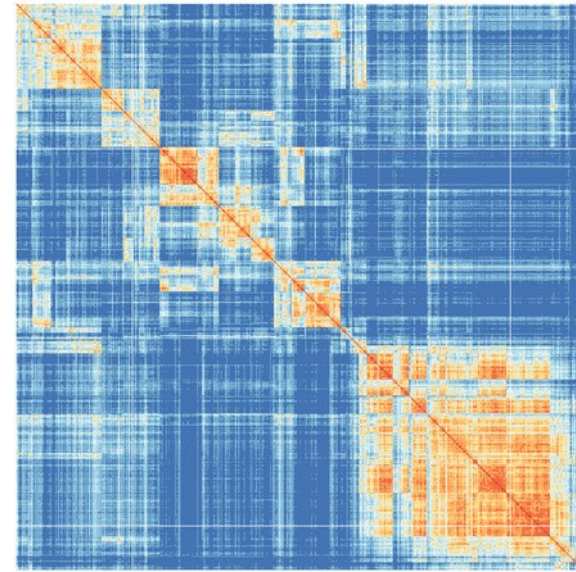


164000 x 104000 (30 m) US land-cover segmented into 15362 areas with similarity threshold at 0.65

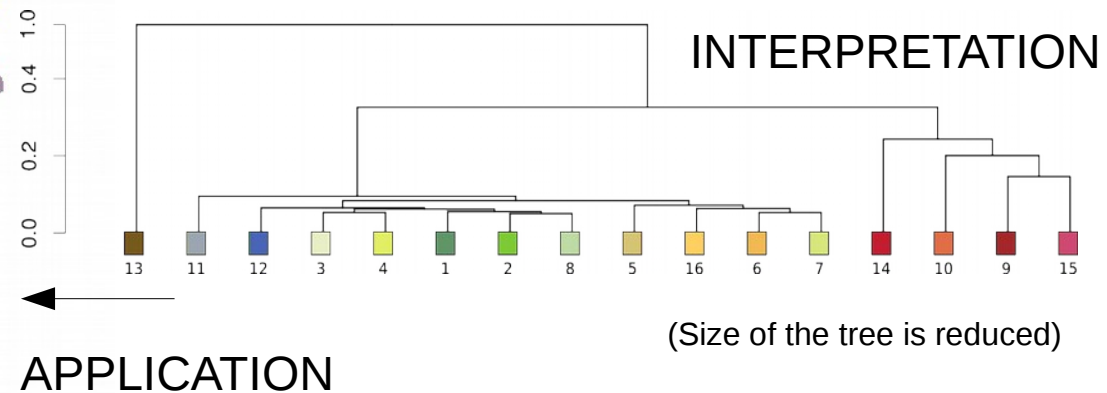
Unsupervised classification

HISTOGRAMS
FOR SEGMENTS

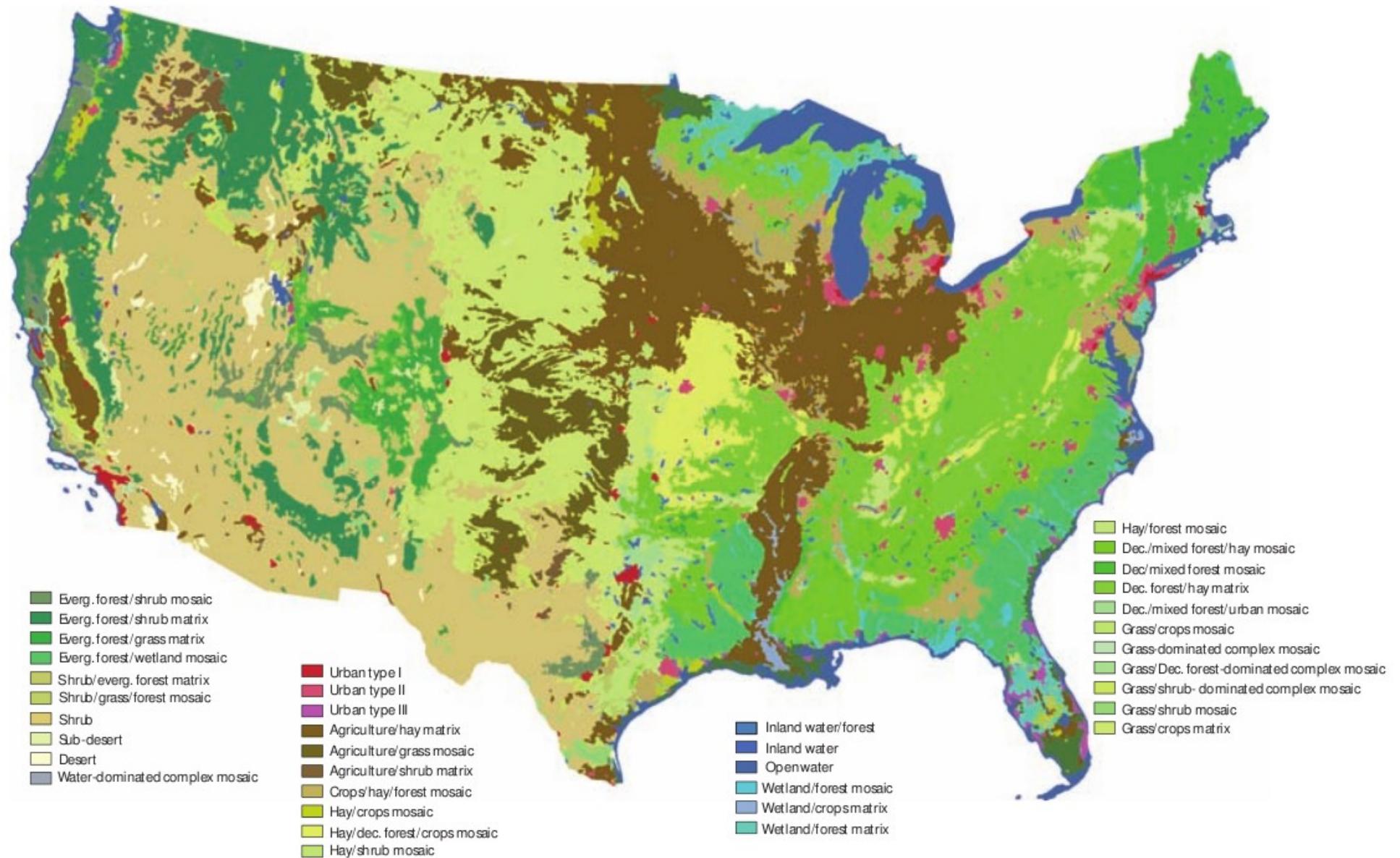
DISTANCE
MATRIX



15362 segments...

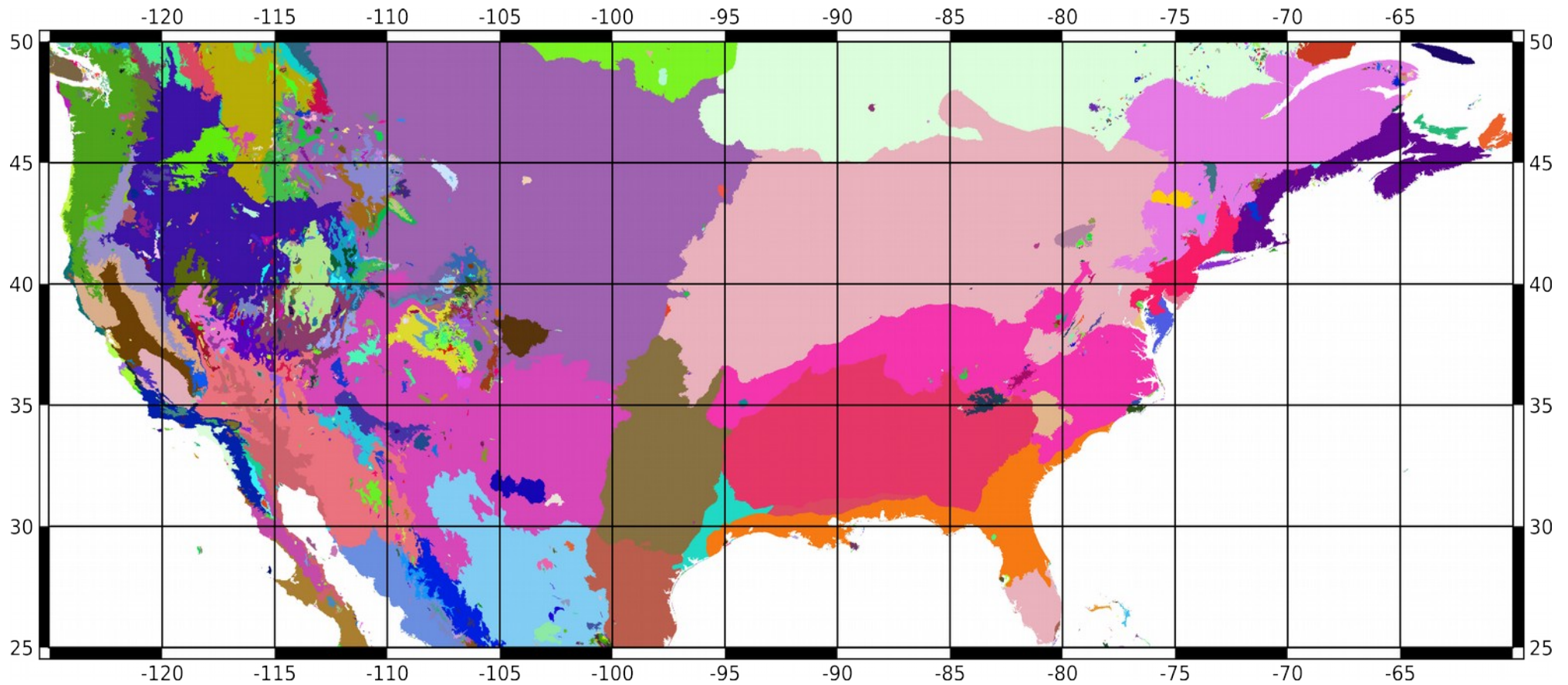


Unsupervised classification: result

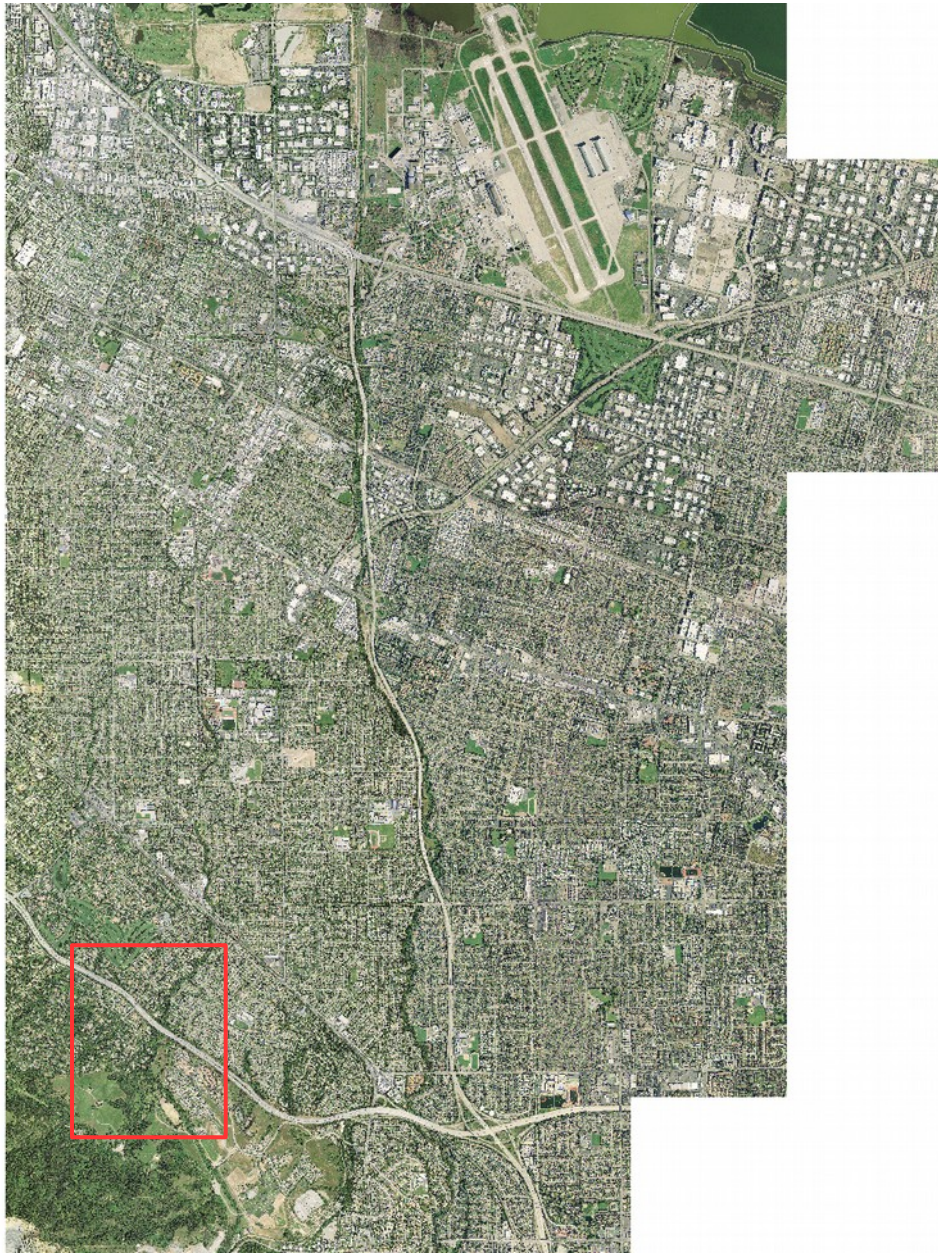


... reduced to 38 most popular landscapes

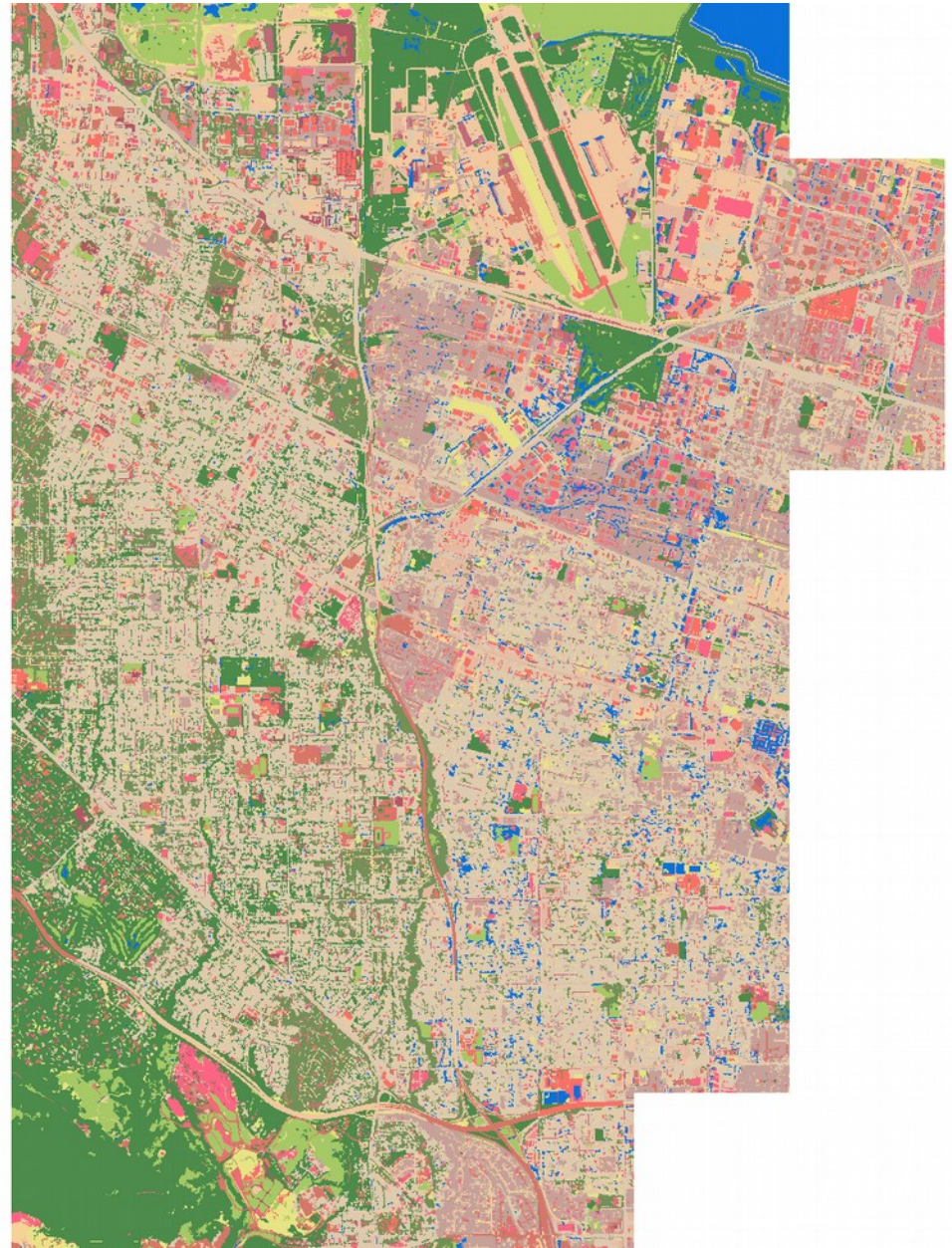
World-wide climatic data: segmetation



First attempt to segmentation of HR remotely sensed images (AVIRIS)

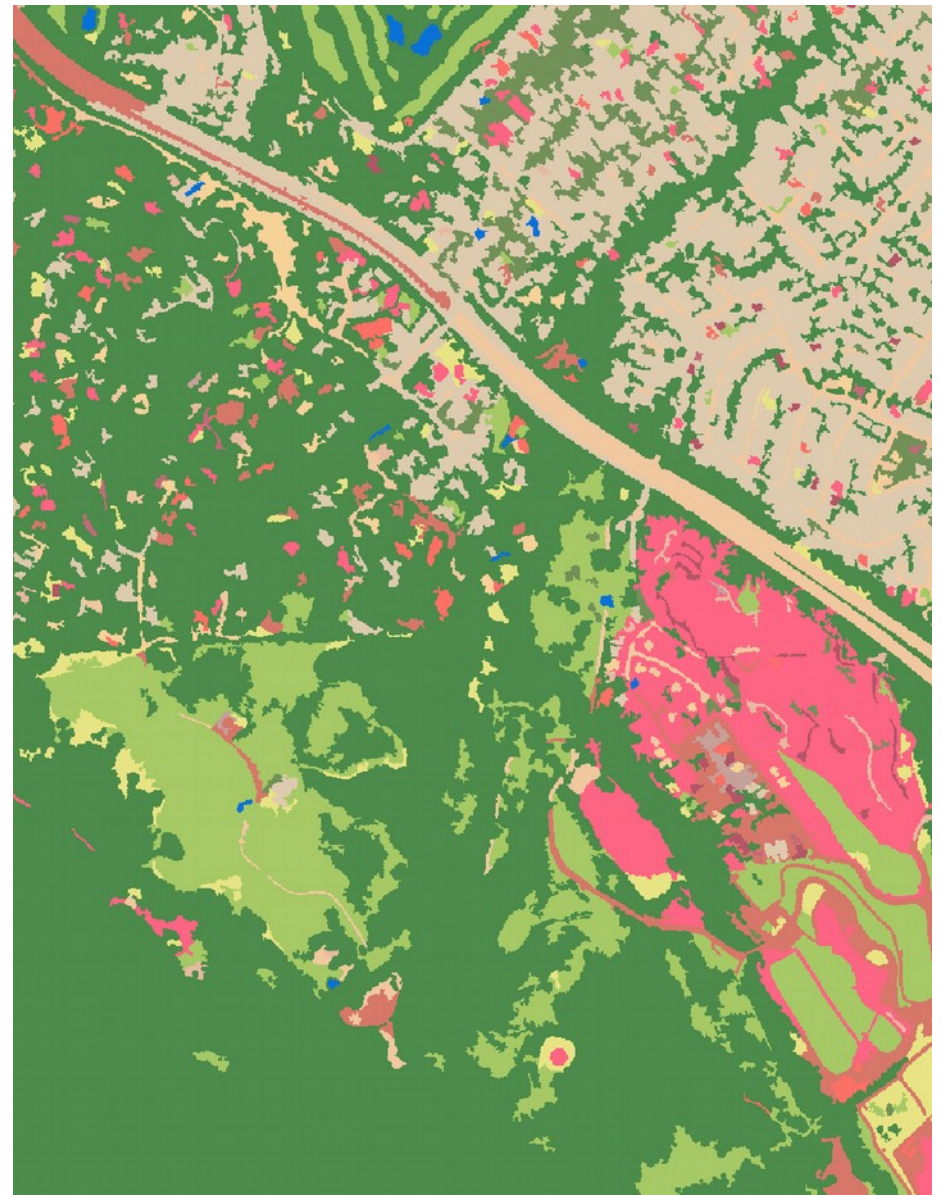


30000 x 40000 pixels RGB image



5000 x 3750 scenes classified into 15 classes

AVIRIS – ZOOM IN



Performance and conclusions

TASK:	TIME (i7, 16 cores, 20GB RAM)
Raster (164000x104000) to P-GRID (NLCD)	~ 3 min (multi-thread)
Raster (40000x3000) to P-GRID (AVIRIS)	~ 40 min classification + 1 min HGRID
P-GRID to SEGMENTS (5125x3250) (NLCD)	~ 1 min 20 sec.
P-GRID to SEGMENTS (10000x7500) (AVIRIS)	~ 2 min 36 sec.
P-GRID to SEGMENTS (911x822) (POLAND)	~ 40 sec.
SEARCHING (NLCD)	~ 1 sec.
COMPARING (NLCD)	~ 1 sec.

A new software which can work transparently with patterns in GIS routines

Software can work fast with huge datasets (“Big Data”)

We can extract information unavailable using standard GIS routines

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