Soil moisture estimation using change detection Method

Surface soil moisture (SSM) in terms of backscatter intensity can be expressed as follows:

$$SSM = \frac{\sigma^o - dry_{ref}}{wet_{ref} - dry_{ref}}$$

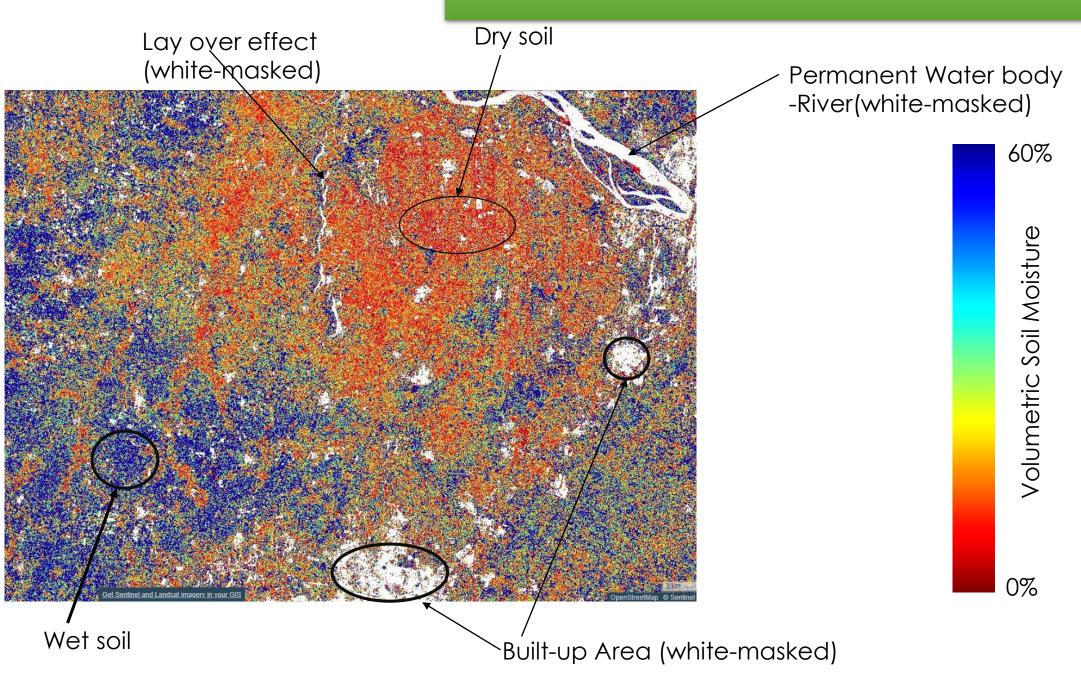
where,

 σ^o is backscatter intensity of pixel,

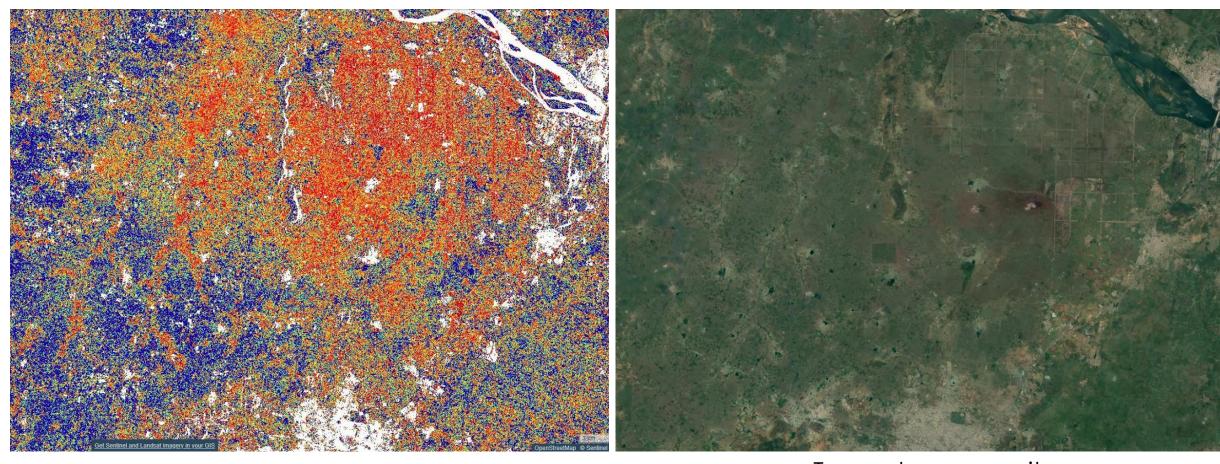
 dry_{ref} is historical minimum back scatter intensity of same pixel

 wet_{ref} is historical maximum back scatter intensity of same pixel

Interpreting the results



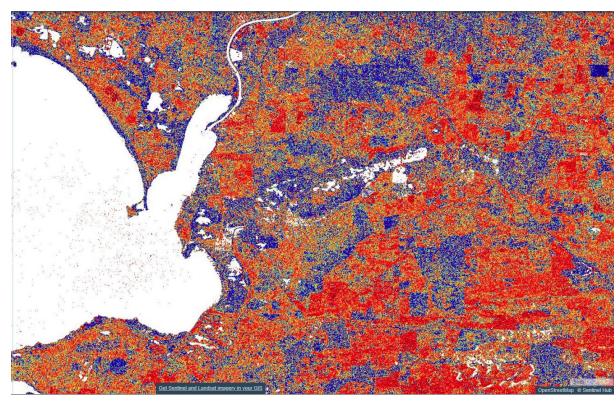
Vijayawada, India



Soil moisture map

True color composite (Google earth image)

Malinong, Australia

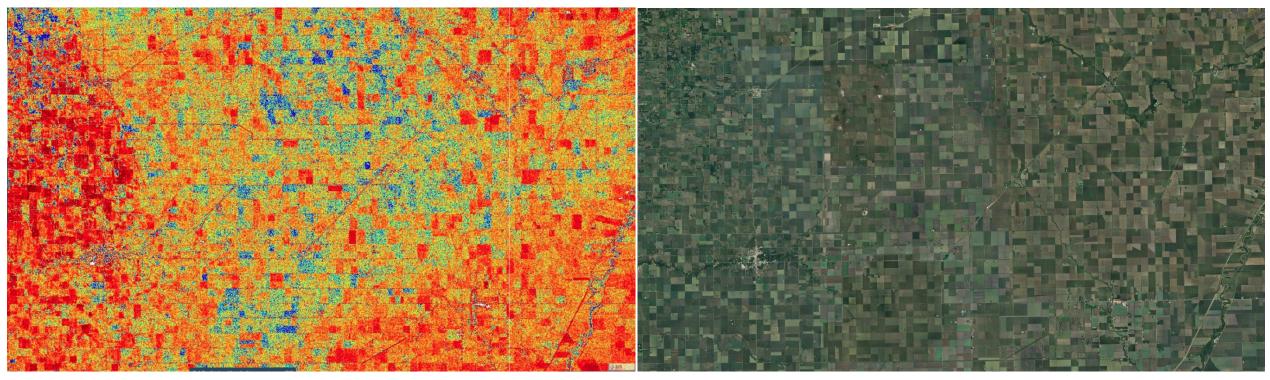




Soil moisture map

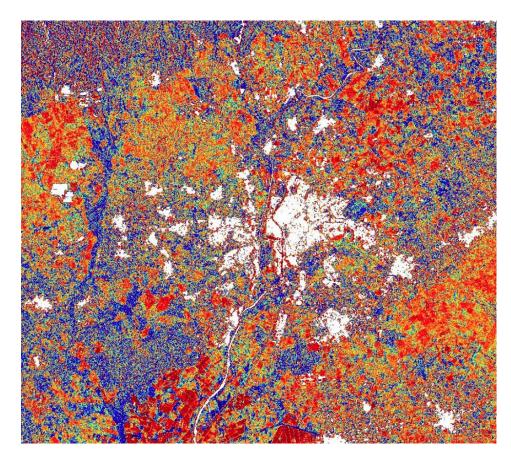
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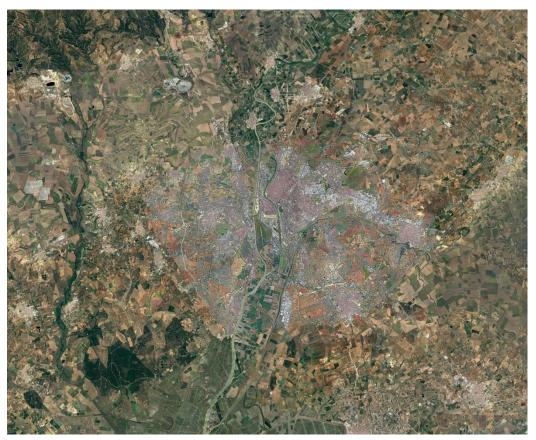


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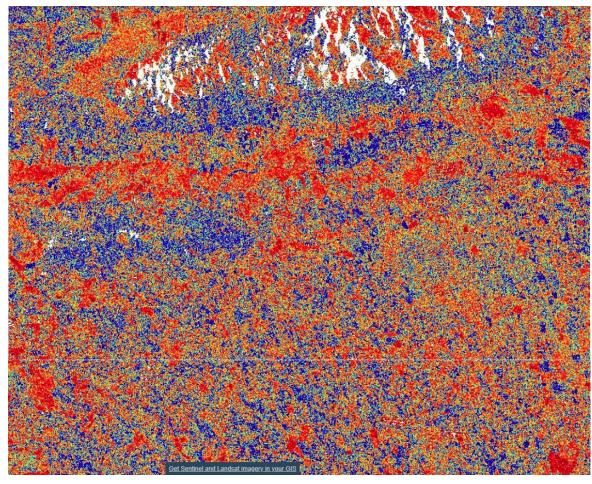


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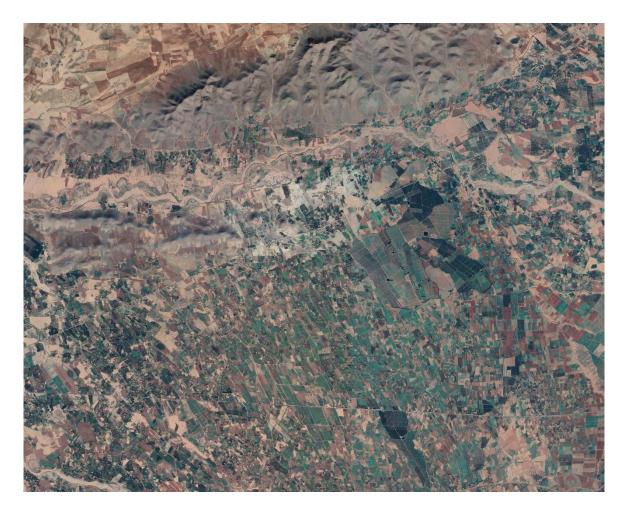


True color composite (Google earth image)

Marrakech, Morocco



Soil moisture map



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