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Core AI with Azure ML Studio

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ML for Satellite Imagery Analysis: Kerala Case Study

2018 Kerala floods in India highlight ability to leverage ML in low tech-infrastructure environments



- **Death toll:** 435 lives lost due to flooding in an area of 15,005 sq miles (similar to CT and NJ combined).
- **Farmland affected:** Over 26,106 hectares (~100 sq miles) impacted in a densely populated area (2332 people per sq mile).
- **High risk:** Nearly half of Kerala's 35 million people faced threats to livelihood and food supply.
- **Economic loss:** Ripple effects extended to India's 1.4 billion people, with losses estimated at \$95 million USD.
- **Climate impact:** Increasing frequency and severity of weather-related events globally.

Actionable Insights for Government and Industry with Azure Cloud and AI/ML

Enhancing Disaster Resilience, Emergency Response, and Recovery

- **Satellite imagery analysis** for monitoring agriculture, urban areas, and the environment.
- **Predictive response** to natural disasters with accurate, timely data.
- **Effective resource allocation** for disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.
- **Data-driven policy-making** for sustainable development.
- **Economic impact assessment** for better planning and recovery.



Rescue worker carries infant



Boat rescue



Navy rescues residents

Image Source: [Economic Times](#)

Microsoft Azure with Open Source Satellite Data



Microsoft Azure
Blob Storage



Azure Machine Learning



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35
36 for i, image_url in enumerate(post_event_images):
37     if i < len(axes) - 1:
38         plot_ndvi_image_from_url(image_url, axes[i])
39
40 # Function to read NDVI image
41 def read_ndvi_image(image_path):
42     try:
43         with rasterio.open(image_path) as src:
44             ndvi = src.read(1)
45             return ndvi
46     except Exception as e:
47         print(f"Error reading {image_path}: {e}")
48         return None
49
50 # Read the first pre-event and post-event NDVI images
51 pre_event_ndvi = read_ndvi_image(pre_event_images[0])
52 post_event_ndvi = read_ndvi_image(post_event_images[0])
53
54 # Check if images were loaded successfully
55 if pre_event_ndvi is not None and post_event_ndvi is not None:
56     # Calculate NDVI loss
57     ndvi_loss = pre_event_ndvi - post_event_ndvi
58
59     # Plotting NDVI loss
60     im = axes[-1].imshow(ndvi_loss, cmap='coolwarm')
61     axes[-1].set_title('NDVI Loss: Pre-Event vs Post-Event')
62     axes[-1].axis('off')
63     fig.colorbar(im, ax=axes[-1])
64 else:
65     print("Failed to load one or both of the NDVI images.")
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67 plt.tight_layout()
68 plt.show()
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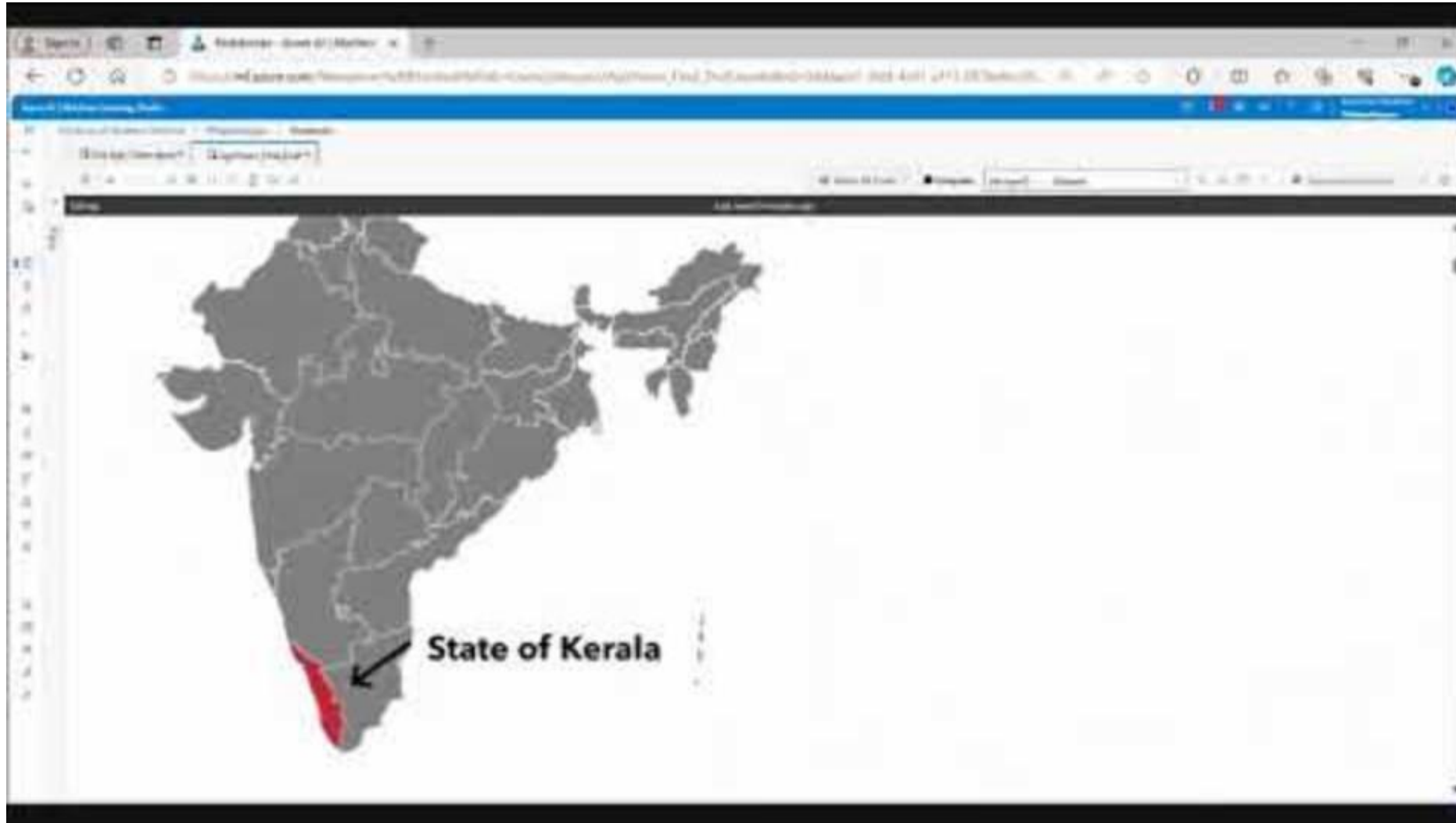
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2018_9_Sentinel2_NDVI_10P_2018_9.tif



Demo: Azure Storage & Azure ML Studio Notebook



Key Takeaways and Recommended Action

Empowering Global Disaster Management and Human Security with Azure AI

Leverage Azure ML for Impact Analysis:

- Enable local authorities to utilize Azure ML for disaster impact analysis.

Integrate Insights into Policy and Planning:

- Equip stakeholders with accessible technology for disaster preparedness and response.

Enhance Efficiency and Cost-Effectiveness:

- Streamline data processing to reduce costs and deliver actionable insights.

Support Vulnerable Populations:

- Promote scalable, low-cost disaster preparedness methods for underserved communities.

Achieve Long-Term Benefits:

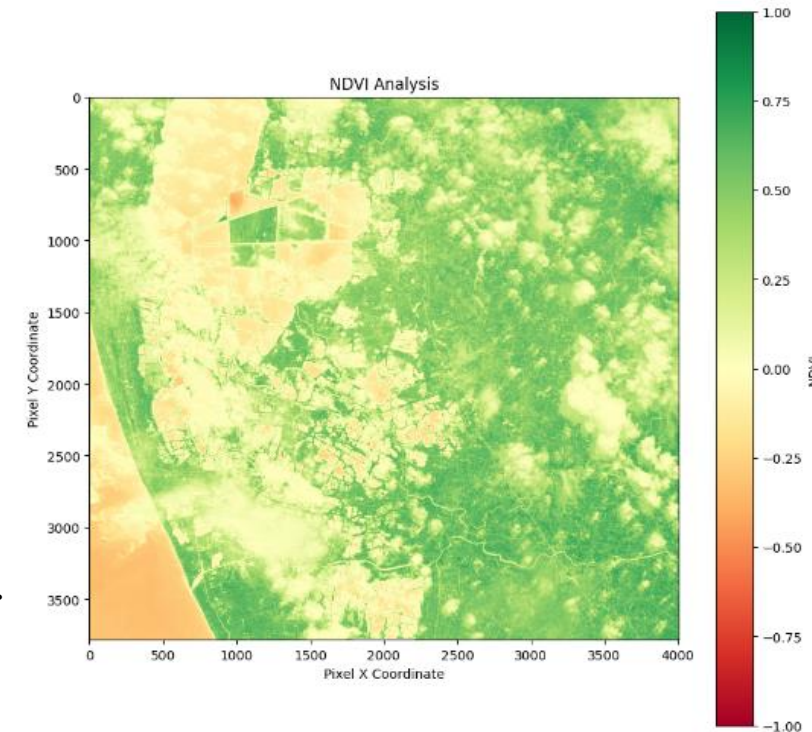
- Ensure sustainable disaster management for protecting lives and agriculture.

Stop/Start:

- Transition from traditional methods to advanced analytics and remote sensing.

Self-Sufficiency, Efficiency, and Cost Reduction:

- Empower authorities to simplify workflows and reduce IT infrastructure needs.



Agrivision result with Azure ML change detection calculating Sentinel-2 satellite imagery of study area to determine scale and duration of 2018 Kerala flood impact