

# **“Mapping spatial patterns of deforested areas monitored by Terra-i and GFC datasets” (Hands-on)**

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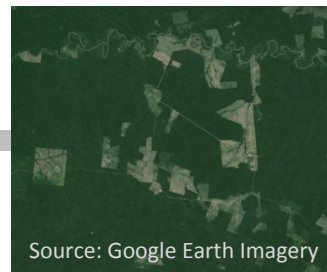
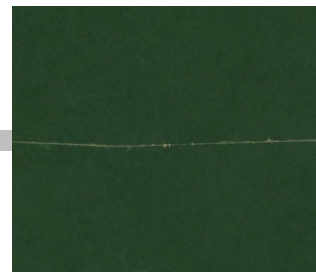
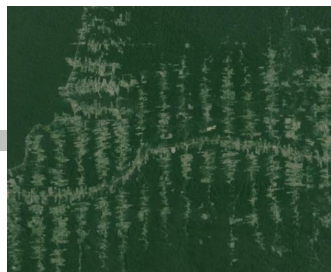
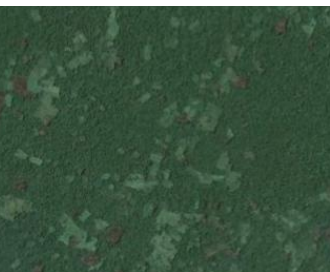
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# Hands-on content

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- Results & Interpretations



# Software

- **Software that must be installed.:**
  - a. R version 3.2.2 (main programming language)
  - b. FRAGSTAT version 4.2 (to extract landscape ecology metrics)
  - c. Geospatial Modelling Environment (GME) (to generate non-overlapping grids or fishnet adjusted to detection raster).  
Version varies according to the ArcGIS version installed.
  - d. ArcGIS v10.x
- **The following software are optional:**
  - a. QGIS latest version (cartography and visualise results)
  - b. RStudio (IDE for programming and running R scripts)

# Inputs

- RASTER (geoTIFF format)
  - a. Terra-i and GFC deforestation detection grids:
    - Annual detections (consolidated years);
    - Grid values must be reclassified as 4 (2004), 5 (2005), ....., 13 (2013);
    - For the aim of calculating areas-like metrics, projected projections must be applied (i.e. equal-area projections such as the Interrupted Goode Homolosine Projection or Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area)
- VECTOR (ESRI shape format)
  - a. Target area
    - In projected projection as used by the deforestation grid
- FRAGSTAT (FCA file format)
  - a. Metrics to extract (class and landscape level) must be selected.
  - b. Distance-like metrics values must be defined according to the target area extent
  - c. (OPTIONAL) If edge contrast and similarity index like metrics are extracted, their associated CSV files must be added in the fragstat settings file

# Preprocessing Input Data

- BOUNDARY (STUDY AREA) VECTOR
  - a. Project the target layer to a projected projection (e.g. IGH);
  - b. Create a buffer (suggested to 50 km) from the target layer;
  - c. Create a polygon based on the spatial extent of buffered target layer (in ArcGIS, [Minimum Bounding Geometry \(Data Management\)](#)). Then select the "Envelope". Use the group option if there are multiple polygons to create a unique polygon).
- DETECTION GRIDS (For the aim to compare Terra-i and GFC datasets, a relation of 1 Terra-i = 8 GFC pixels can be assumed reprojecting and adjusting their spatial resolution to 240 m and 30 m, respectively)
  - a. Crop detection grids
    - Reproject the boundary layer created in the previous step to WGS84
    - Using only the files with WGS84 projection, crop the reclassified Terra-i and GFC datasets using the boundary vector (*ArcGIS > Extract by Mask* function selecting the snap option to avoid pixels displacement)
  - b. Project to the same projected projection used for the boundary vector:
    - The Terra-i dataset using a cell size of 240m
    - The GFC dataset using a cell size of 30m but aligning pixels to Terra-i projected raster (use snap option).

# Preprocessing Input Data

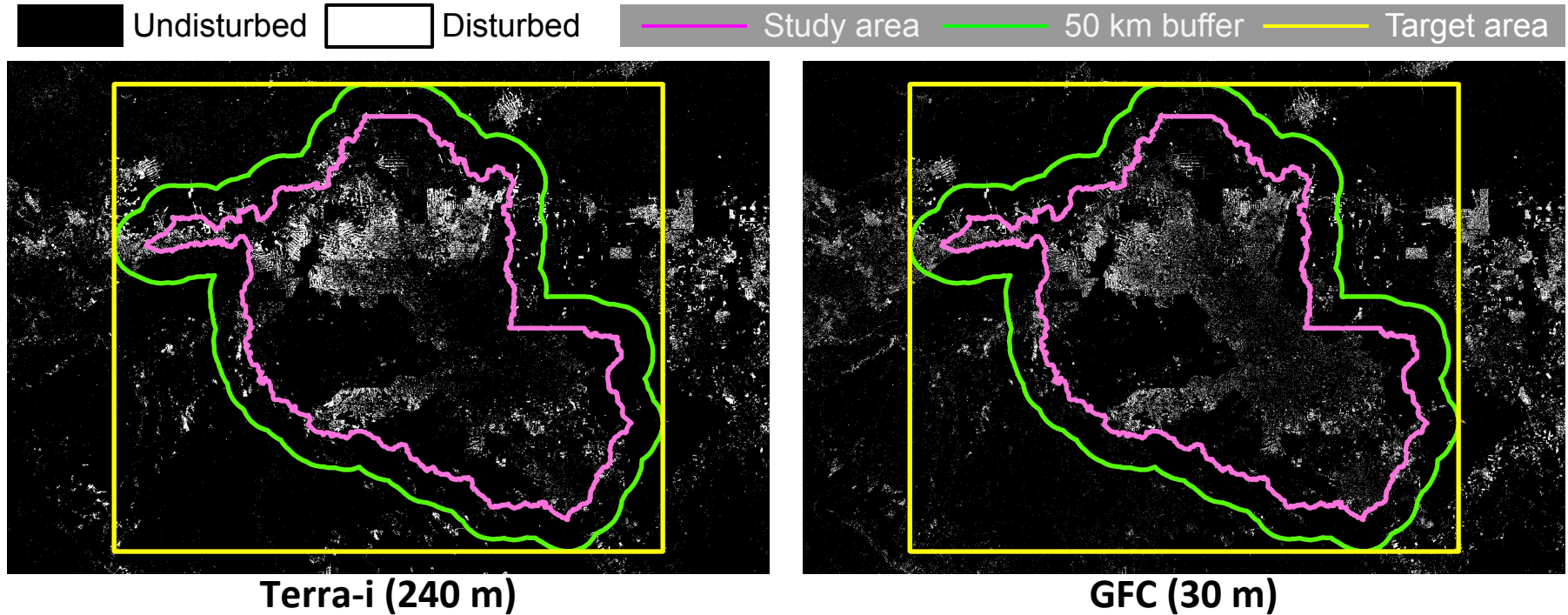


Fig 1. Example of definition of a target area to create fishnet vector layers for pattern analysis

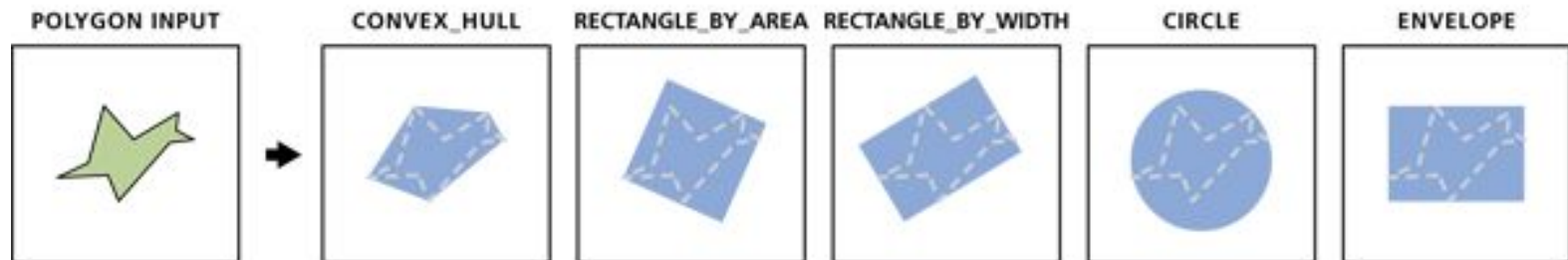


Fig 2. Arc's [Minimum Bounding Geometry \(Data Management\)](#) output geometric types



# Settings: Create/Edit a FRAGSTAT file

**SAVE FCA FILE**

**METRICS SELECTION**

	Mean (MN)	Area-Weighted Mean (AM)	Median (MD)	Range (RA)	Standard Deviation (SD)	Coefficient of Variation (CV)
Distance (ENN_?)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**DISTANCE LIKE METRICS VALUE**

Search radius is 350000.00. ...

**EDGE AND SIMILARITY FILES**

Use fixed depth  ...

Edge contrast  Browse X

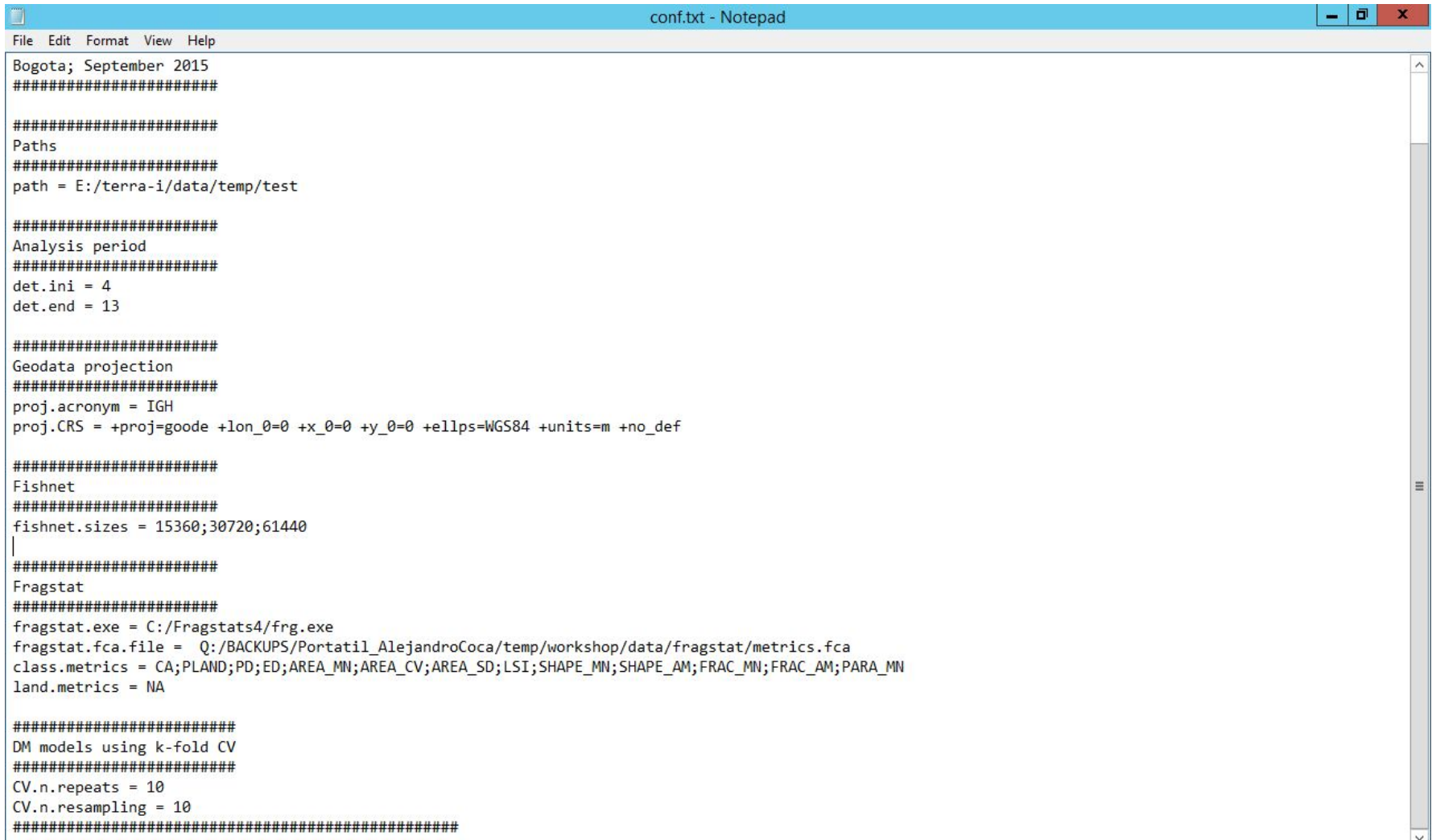
Similarity  Browse X

Activity log

Welcome to Fragstats v4.2.1!  
09/19/15 10:13:39: Categorical analysis session started.  
09/19/15 10:13:39: Loading model:Q:\BACKUPS\Portatil\_AlejandroC\temp\workshop\data\fragstat\metrics.fca

# Settings: Project folder and config file

- 1) Create the project folder and copy the conf folder containing the conf.file
- 2) Edit the conf.file



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conf.txt - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
Bogota; September 2015
#####

#####
Paths
#####
path = E:/terra-i/data/temp/test

#####
Analysis period
#####
det.ini = 4
det.end = 13

#####
Geodata projection
#####
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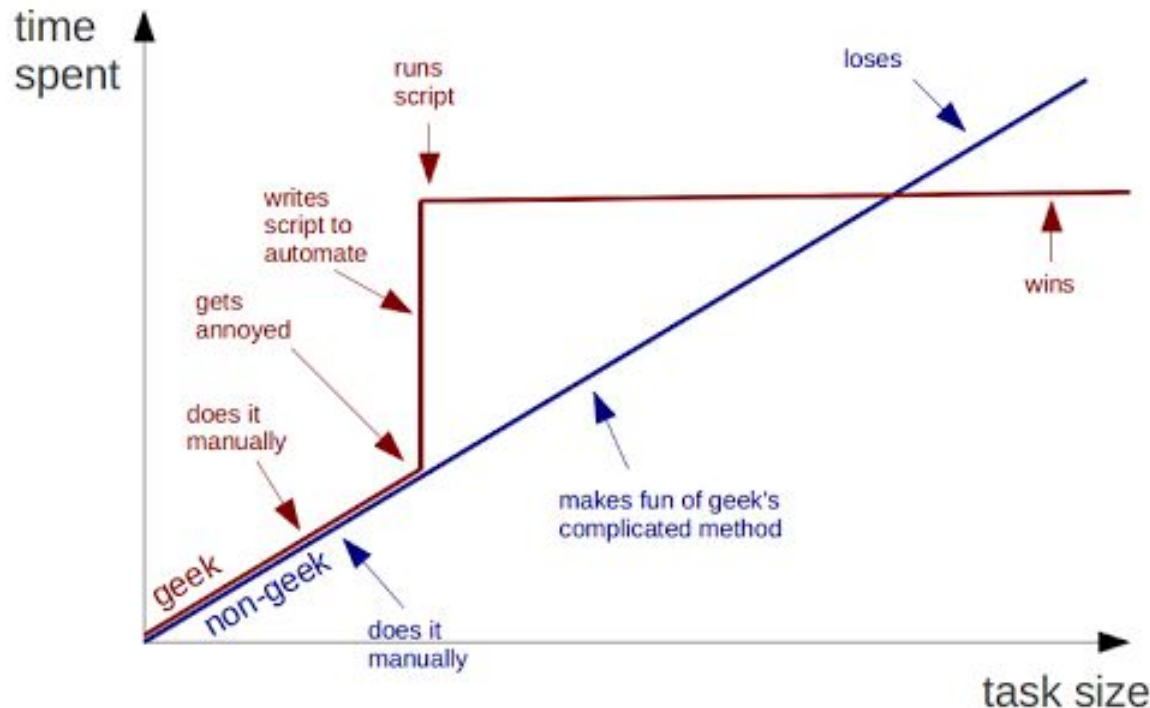
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Fishnet
#####
fishnet.sizes = 15360;30720;61440
|
#####
Fragstat
#####
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fragstat.fca.file = Q:/BACKUPS/Portatil_AlejandroCoca/temp/workshop/data/fragstat/metrics.fca
class.metrics = CA;PLAND;PD;ED;AREA_MN;AREA_CV;AREA_SD;LSI;SHAPE_MN;SHAPE_AM;FRAC_MN;FRAC_AM;PARA_MN
land.metrics = NA

#####
DM models using k-fold CV
#####
CV.n.repeats = 10
CV.n.resampling = 10
#####
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# Proof-of-concept “Pattern Analysis” tool

## Geeks and repetitive tasks



Source: “Why writing code saves you time with repetitive tasks”, by [Bruno Oliveira](#)

- using R programming language
- tool consists of **code snippets (modules and functions)** that are inserted and called in a **master code** file
- Step-by-Step approach
- Tasks are performed by individual grid file generated using the fishnet which allows parallel processing

# **“Pattern Analysis” tool**

- 1) Run first lines up to Part 1
  - a) Register the path containing R scripts
  - b) Register the full path to the config.file
  - c) Install and load R-libraries
- 2) Run by step (part) and verify outputs