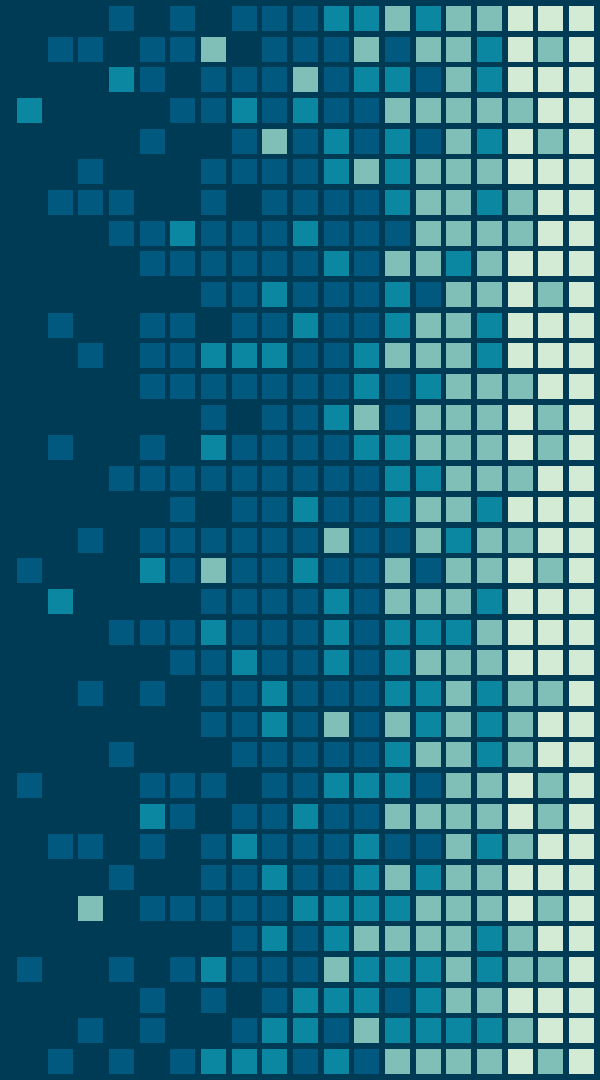


# CHLORIS GEOSPATIAL: reliable natural capital data



# Outline:

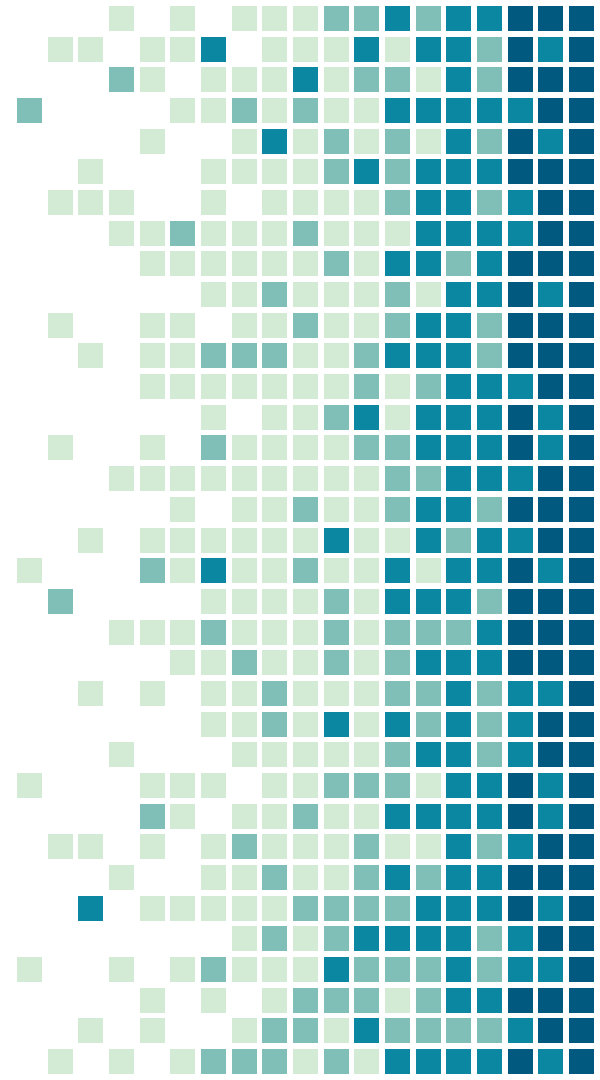
1. Introduction: client
2. Goal:
  - Problem: client's request
  - Motivation: why are we doing this
3. Data: what are we working with
  - GeoTIFF, satellite images
4. Results
  - App Software
  - Expected results
    - Band graph
  - R package (optional): only if we have time
5. Next steps
  - The application create
  - Chloris leads to a better future



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# INTRODUCTION

Our client





# Chloris Geospatial

**Access biomass data for any project, forest,  
or land area anywhere on Earth**

# ABOUT CHLORIS GEOSPATIAL

- 2021 local startup consisting of experts in ecological science, machine learning, and sustainability strategy
- Provides data for companies taking action to practice forestry in their supply chains
- Measures carbon stock anywhere in the world
  - Def: amount of stored carbon
- Mission: accelerate global transition to a **net-zero, sustainable** economy







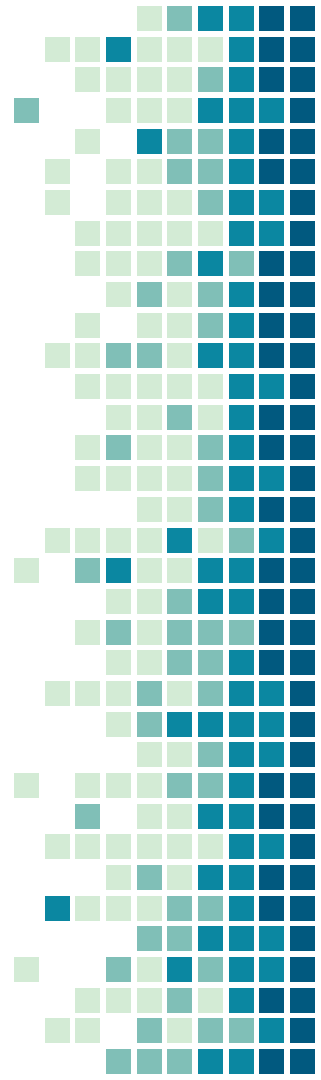
# OUR CLIENT



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THE ULTIMATE GOAL



# CLIENT'S REQUEST

- Application software for visualizing progression of forests over time
  - Pixel by pixel
- Band Values vs. time
  - Band graph combines QA value
- Quality Assessment Graph
  - Analyze pixels to distinguish the type of landform





# LONG-TERM CLIMATE CHANGE EFFECTS

Decreasing **snowpack** in western mountains; increased frequency, intensity, duration of **heat waves**.

Replacement of tropical forest by savannah; risk of significant biodiversity loss through species extinction; changes in drinkable water, agriculture and energy generation.

**Flash flood** risks; coastal flooding; increased erosion from storms and sea level rise; less snow and winter tourism; extensive species losses; crop productivity reduction.

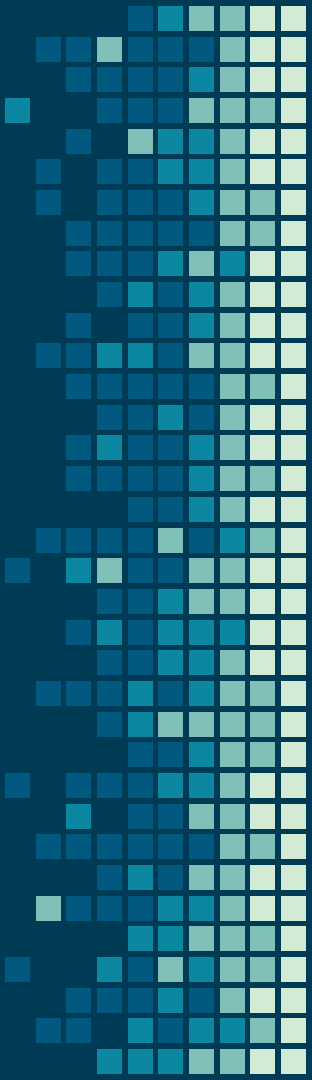
75-250 mil people projected to experience increased water stress; reduction in rain-fed crop yield, up to 50%; agricultural production, including access to food, may be severely compromised.

Freshwater availability projected to decrease 2050s; coastal areas at risk: increased flooding; deaths from disease associated with floods/droughts expected to rise.



# PARIS AGREEMENT

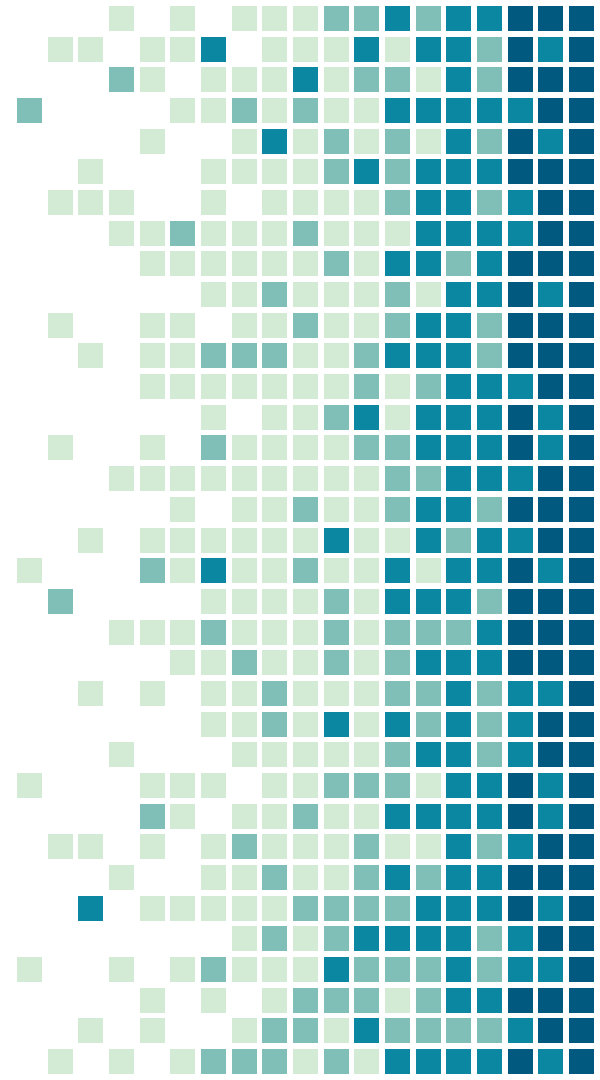
The goal to reach net zero by 2050



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# DATA DESCRIPTION

Landsat 8, GeoTIFF and QA bits

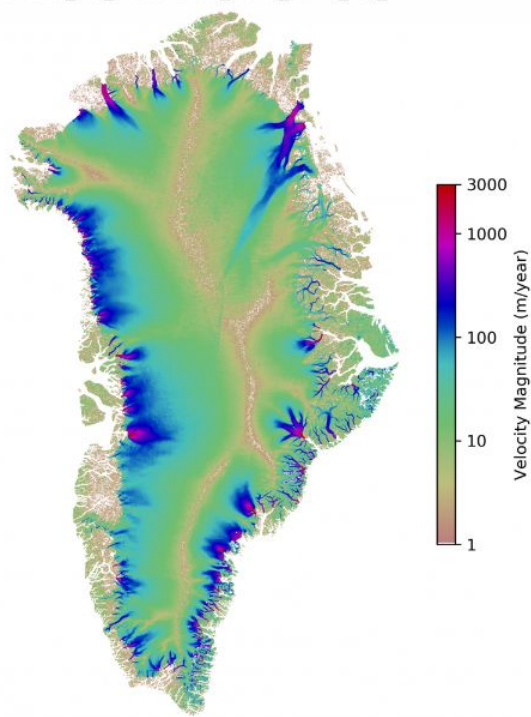


## SOME BACKGROUND: landsat 8

Landsat 8 was launched on an Atlas-V rocket on February 11, 2013. The satellite carries the Operational Land Imager (OLI, 9 spectral bands) and the Thermal Infrared Sensor (TIRS, 2 spectral bands) instruments. In Landsat 8 Full Scenes data in MTL format, each band will have a GeoTIFF file and metadata



greenland\_vel\_mosaic200\_2016\_2017\_vel\_v2.tif

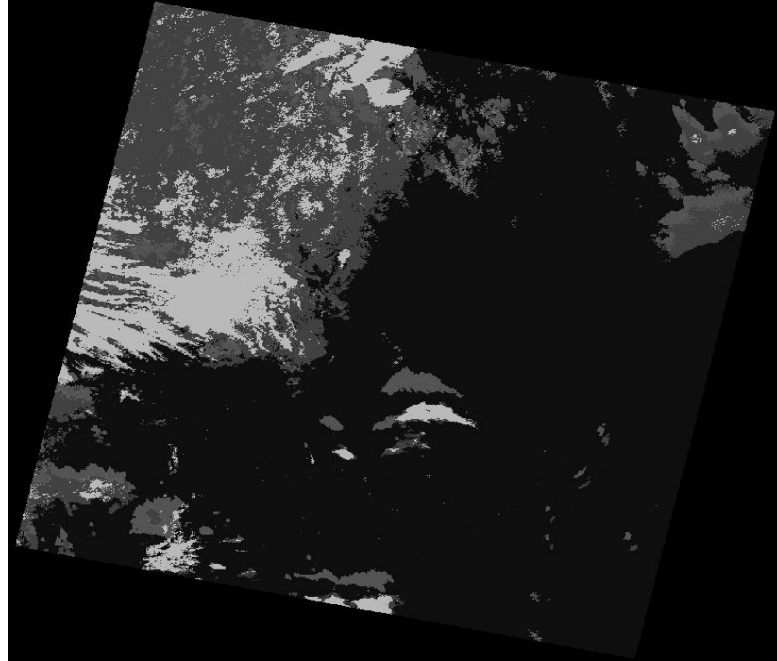


# What is Geotiff

GeoTIFF is a public domain metadata standard which has the georeferencing information embedded within the image file. The georeferencing information is included by way of tiff tags that contains spatial information about the image file such as map projection and coordinate systems.

# Quality Assessment

Quality Assessment (QA) bands help to evaluate the overall usefulness of a Landsat pixel. Each pixel in the QA band contains an integer value that represents bit-packed combinations of surface, atmospheric, and sensor conditions that can affect the individual pixel quality.



This is an example of a Quality Assessment (QA) Band image.





# Landsat 8 OLI/TIRS Collection 1 Level-1 Quality Assessment Band Attribute and Pixel Value Possibilities

Attribute	Pixel Value
Fill	1
Terrain Occlusion	2, 2722
Clear	2720, 2724, 2728, 2732
Radiometric Saturation - 1-2 bands	2724, 2756, 2804, 2980, 3012, 3748, 3780, 6820, 6852, 6900, 7076, 7108, 7844, 7876
Radiometric Saturation - 3-4 bands	2728, 2760, 2808, 2984, 3016, 3752, 3784, 6824, 6856, 6904, 7080, 7112, 7848, 7880
Radiometric Saturation - 5+ bands	2732, 2764, 2812, 2988, 3020, 3756, 3788, 6828, 6860, 6908, 7084, 7116, 7852, 7884
Cloud	2800, 2804, 2808, 2812, 6896, 6900, 6904, 6908
Cloud Confidence - Low	2720, 2722, 2724, 2728, 2732, 2976, 2980, 2984, 2988, 3744, 3748, 3752, 3756, 6816, 6820, 6824, 6828, 7072, 7076, 7080, 7084, 7840, 7844, 7848, 7852
Cloud Confidence - Medium	2752, 2756, 2760, 2764, 3008, 3012, 3016, 3020, 3776, 3780, 3784, 3788, 6848, 6852, 6856, 6860, 7104, 7108, 7112, 7116, 7872, 7876, 7880, 7884
Cloud Confidence - High	2800, 2804, 2808, 2812, 6896, 6900, 6904, 6908
Cloud Shadow - High	2976, 2980, 2984, 2988, 3008, 3012, 3016, 3020, 7072, 7076, 7080, 7084, 7104, 7108, 7112, 7116
Snow/Ice - High	3744, 3748, 3752, 3756, 3776, 3780, 3784, 3788, 7840, 7844, 7848, 7852, 7872, 7876, 7880, 7884
Cirrus Confidence - Low	2720, 2722, 2724, 2728, 2732, 2752, 2756, 2760, 2764, 2800, 2804, 2804, 2808, 2812, 2976, 2980, 2984, 2988, 3008, 3012, 3016, 3020, 3744, 3748, 3752, 3756, 3780, 3784, 3788

# What are QA Bits

The bit-packed information in the QA bands is a translation of binary strings. Used effectively, QA bits help improve the integrity of Landsat-derived science investigations by indicating which pixels might be affected by surface conditions, cloud contamination, or sensor conditions.

Landsat Collection 1 LandsatLook 8-bit Quality Images Designations						
Landsat 8 OLI/TIRS		Landsat 7 ETM+, Landsat 4-5 TM		Landsat 1-5 MSS		Color
Bit	Description	Bit	Description	Bit	Description	
0	Designated Fill	0	Designated Fill	0	Designated Fill	Black
1	Terrain Occlusion	1	Dropped Pixel	1	Dropped Pixel	Orange
2	Radiometric Saturation	2	Radiometric Saturation	2	Radiometric Saturation	Red
3	Cloud	3	Cloud	3	Cloud	White
4	Cloud Shadow	4	Cloud Shadow	4	Unused	Blue
5	Snow/Ice	5	Snow/Ice	5	Unused	Cyan
6	Cirrus	6	Unused	6	Unused	Yellow
7	Unused	7	Unused	7	Unused	Unused



Landsat 8 OLI, OLI/TIRS Collection 1 QA band bits; Read from RIGHT to LEFT, starting with Bit 0																	
Cumulative Sum		65553	32767	16383	8191	4095	2047	1023	511	255	127	63	31	15	7	3	1
BIT	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Description				Cirrus Confidence			Snow/Ice Confidence			Cloud Shadow Confidence			Cloud Confidence	Cloud	Radiometric saturation	Terrain Occlusion	Designated Fill

Landsat 8 OLI, OLI/TIRS Collection 1 QA band bits; Read from RIGHT to LEFT, starting with Bit 0

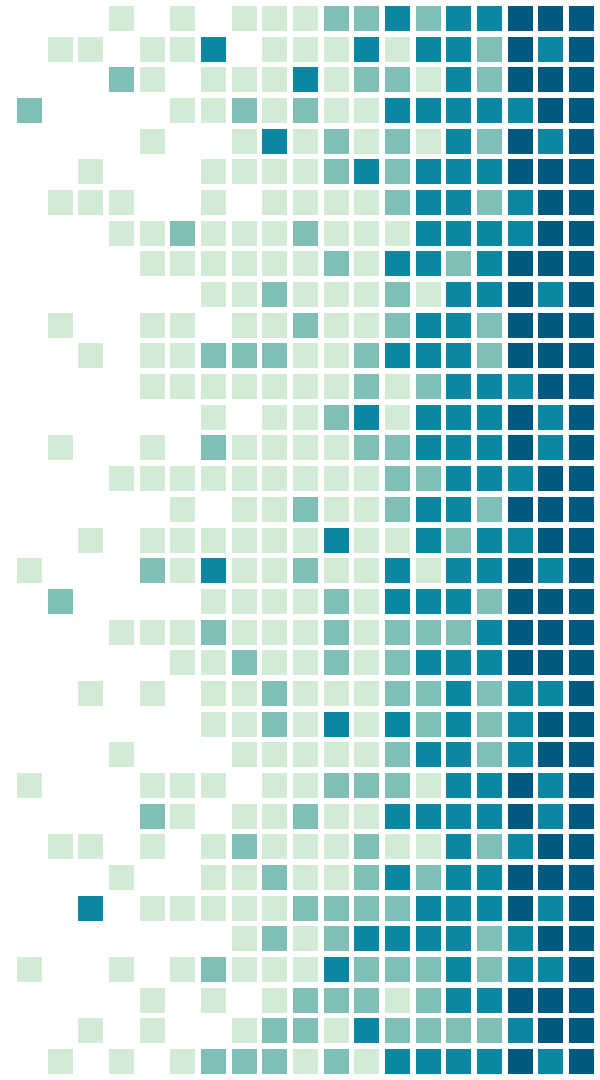
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# EXPECTED RESULTS

Software

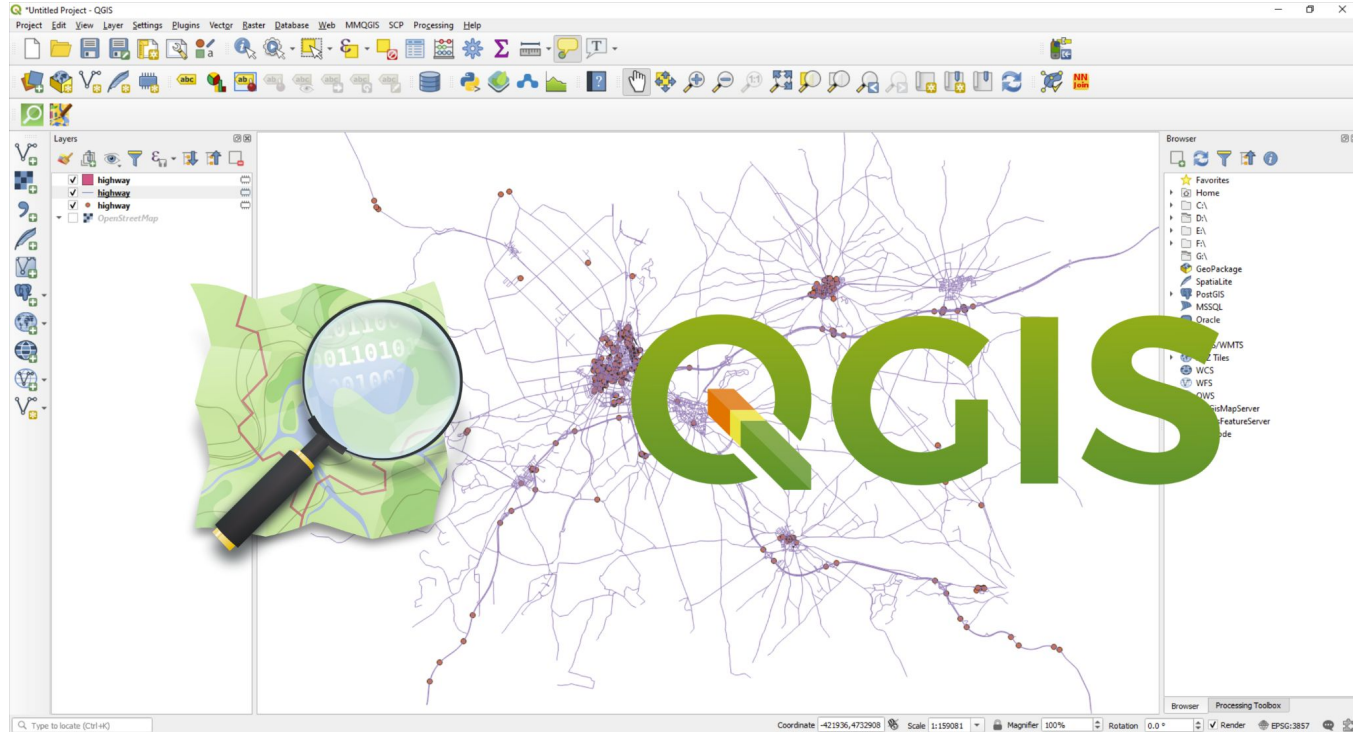


# OUR PROCESS





# QGIS

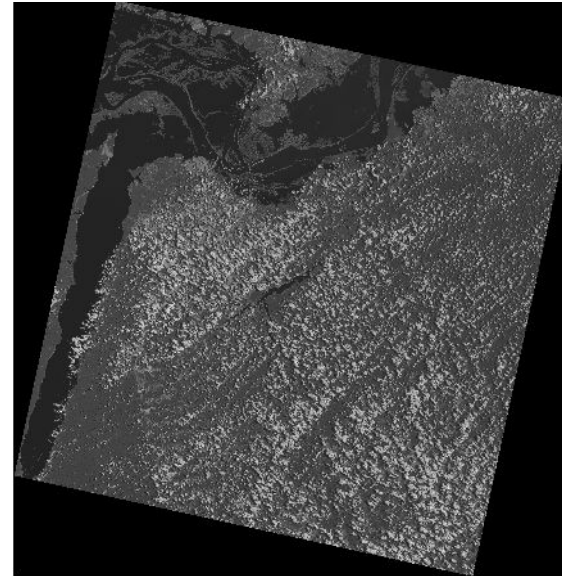


# Band Picture

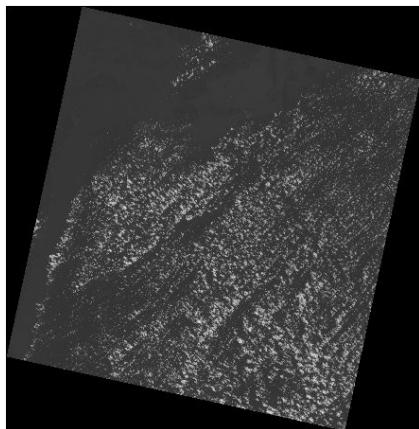
**ONE DAY (e.g. 2021.09.15)**

**ONE PLACE (path 227, row 62)**

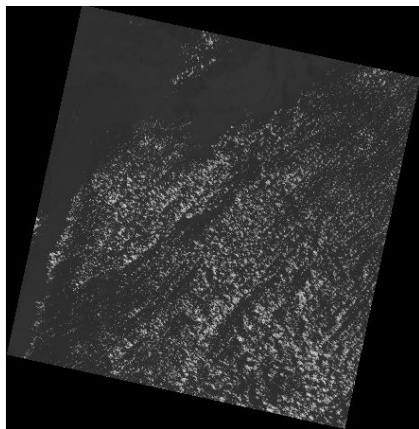
**BAND 1 —--- BAND 7**  
**(Automatic identification by**  
**QGIS for Landsat 8 data)**



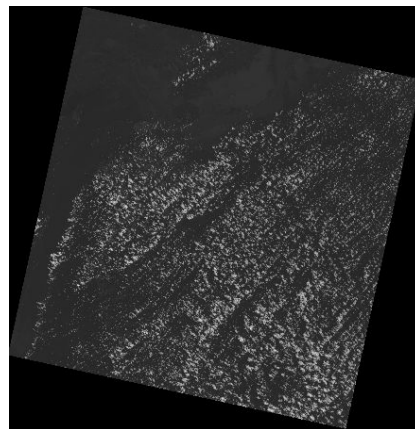
Band 6



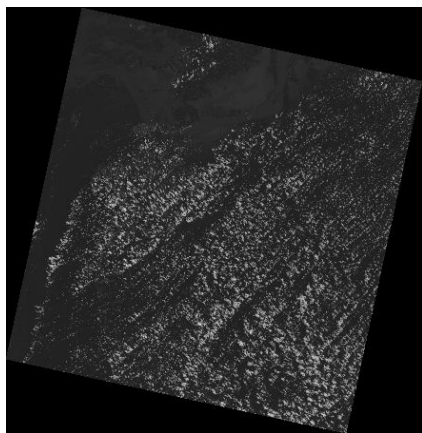
Band 1



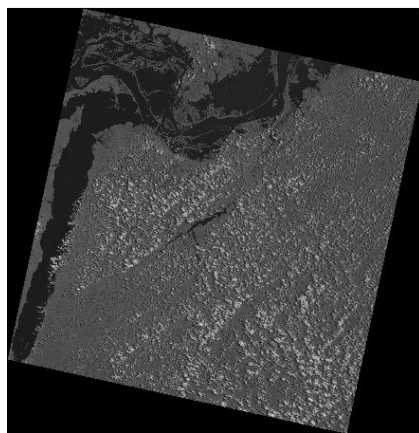
Band 2



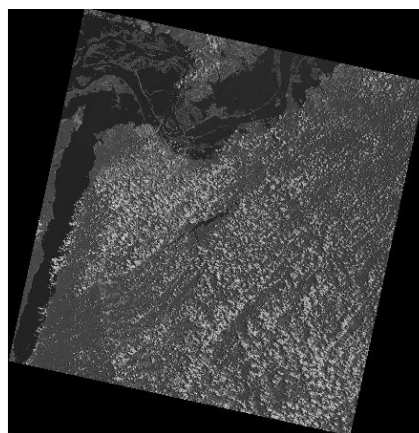
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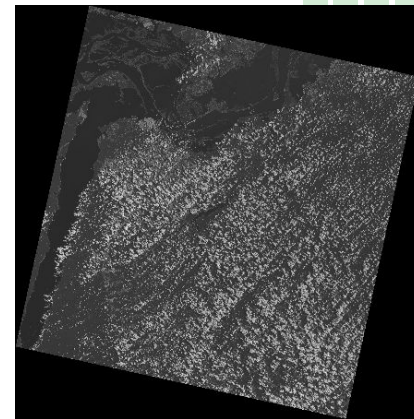
Band 4



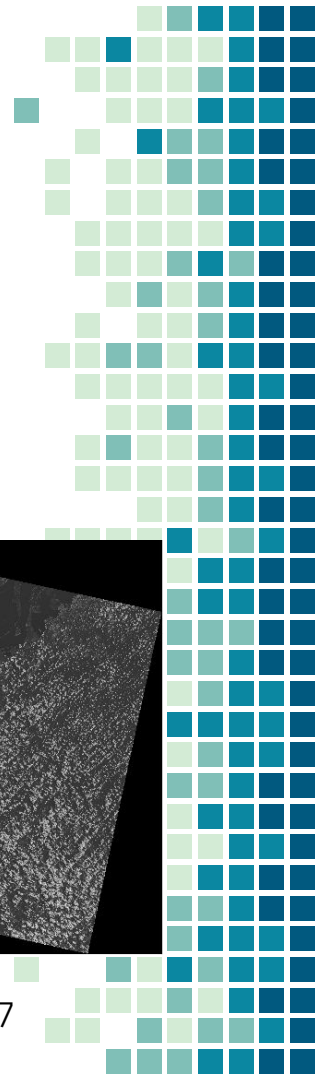
Band 5



Band 6



Band 7



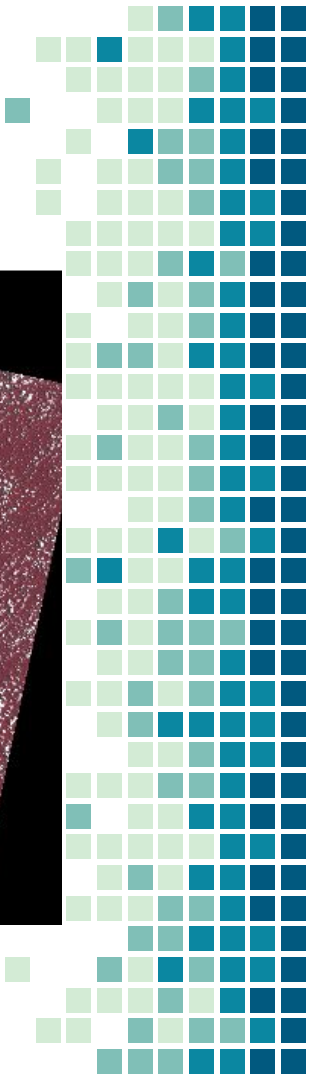
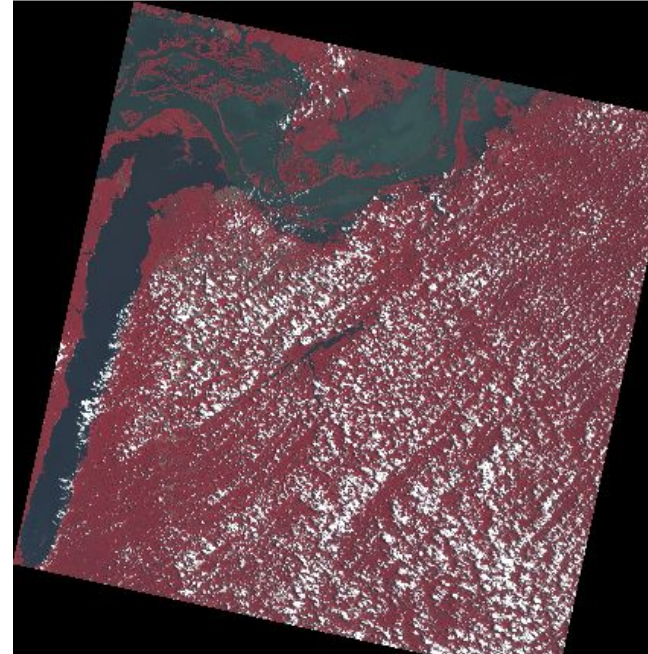
# multispectral image(MS)

**BLUE BAND(B)** 0.45 - 0.52  $\mu\text{m}$

**GREEN BAND(G)** 0.52 - 0.60  $\mu\text{m}$

**RED BAND(R)** 0.63 - 0.69  $\mu\text{m}$

**NEAR-INFRARED BAND (IR)** 0.76 - 0.90  $\mu\text{m}$



Band set 1 x

	Band name	Center wavelength	Multiplicative Facto	Additive Factor	Wavelength unit	Image name	Date
1	LC08_L1TP_227062_20210915_20210924...	0.44	1	0	µm (1 E-6m)		
2	LC08_L1TP_227062_20210915_20210924...	0.48	1	0	µm (1 E-6m)		
3	LC08_L1TP_227062_20210915_20210924...	0.56	1	0	µm (1 E-6m)		
4	LC08_L1TP_227062_20210915_20210924...	0.655	1	0	µm (1 E-6m)		
5	LC08_L1TP_227062_20210915_20210924...	0.865	1	0	µm (1 E-6m)		
6	LC08_L1TP_227062_20210915_20210924...	1.61	1	0	µm (1 E-6m)		
7	LC08_L1TP_227062_20210915_20210924...	2.2	1	0	µm (1 E-6m)		

Wavelength  
quick settings

Landsat 8 OLI [bands 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]

Wavelength  
unit

µm (1 E-6m)

Date

2020-01-01

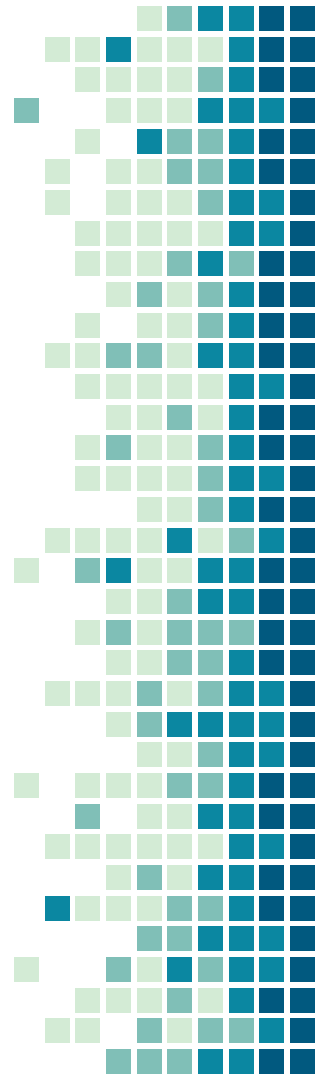
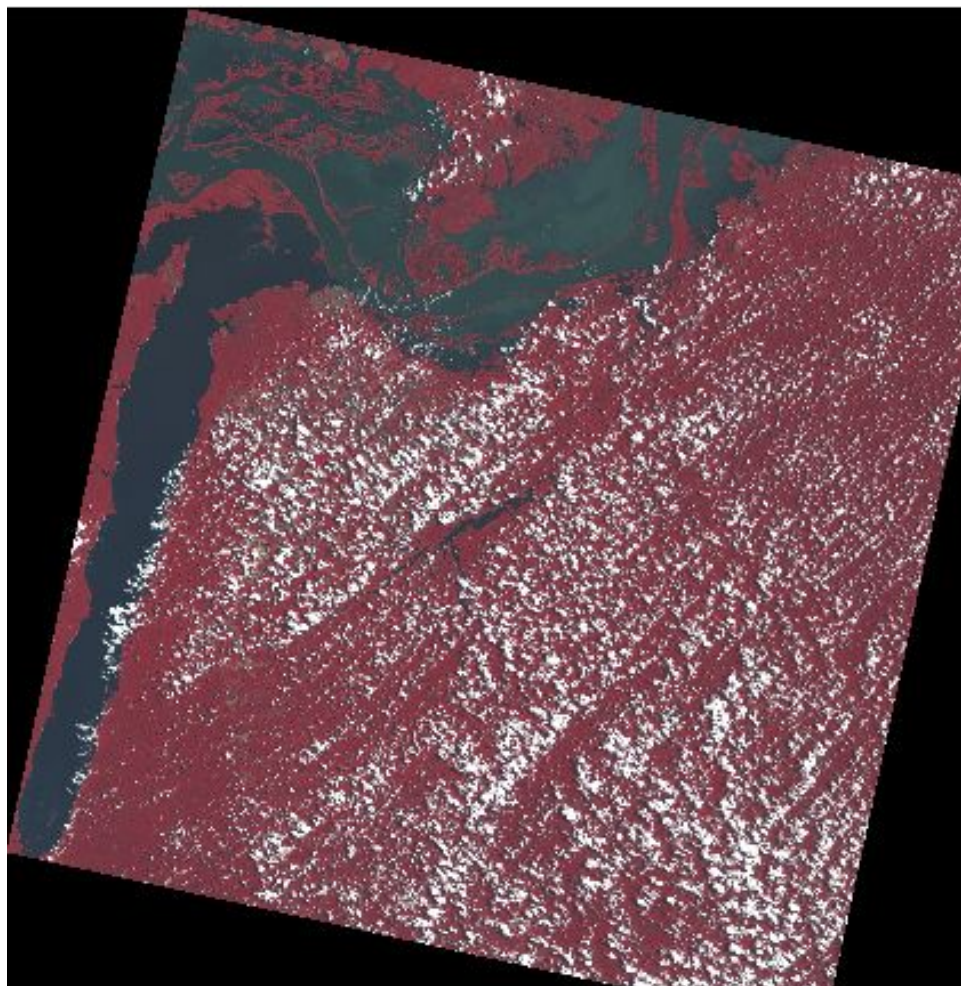
Band set tools

☒ Create virtual raster of band set ☐ Create raster of band set (stack bands) ☐ Build band overviews ☐ Band calc expressions

RUN









# BAND PLOT

Signature list

S	MC ID	MC Name	C ID	C Name	lap M	Min B1	Max B1	Min B2	Max B2	Min B3	Max B3	Min B4	Max B4	Min B5	Max B5	Min B6	Max B6	Min B7	Max B7
1	✓ ... 3	Urban	3	city	1-1;...	1026...	1144...	9159.0	1057...	8390.0	1015...	7166.0	1023...	6501.0	2674...	5884.0	1796...	5623.0	10900.0
2	✓ ... 2	Forest	2	trees	1-1;...	1078...	1144...	9700.0	1057...	8390.0	1015...	7372.0	1023...	6501.0	2674...	5884.0	1796...	5623.0	10900.0
3	✓ ... 1	Water	1	river	2-2;...	1078...	1082...	9700.0	9775.0	8390.0	8492.0	7372.0	7478.0	6501.0	6639.0	5884.0	5985.0	5623.0	5709.0

Automatic thresholds

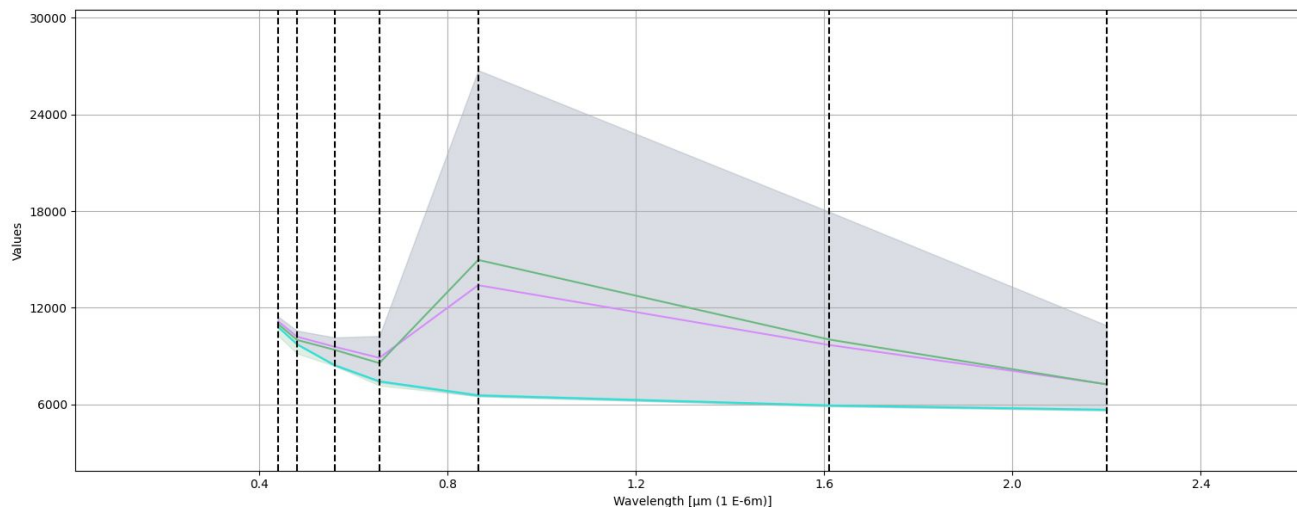
Min Max ☐  $\sigma$  \* 1.0 ☐

From ROI ☐ From pixel ☐ ☒ + ☐ -

Plot

Signature details

Spectral distances



☒ Plot value range

☒ Band lines ☒ Grid

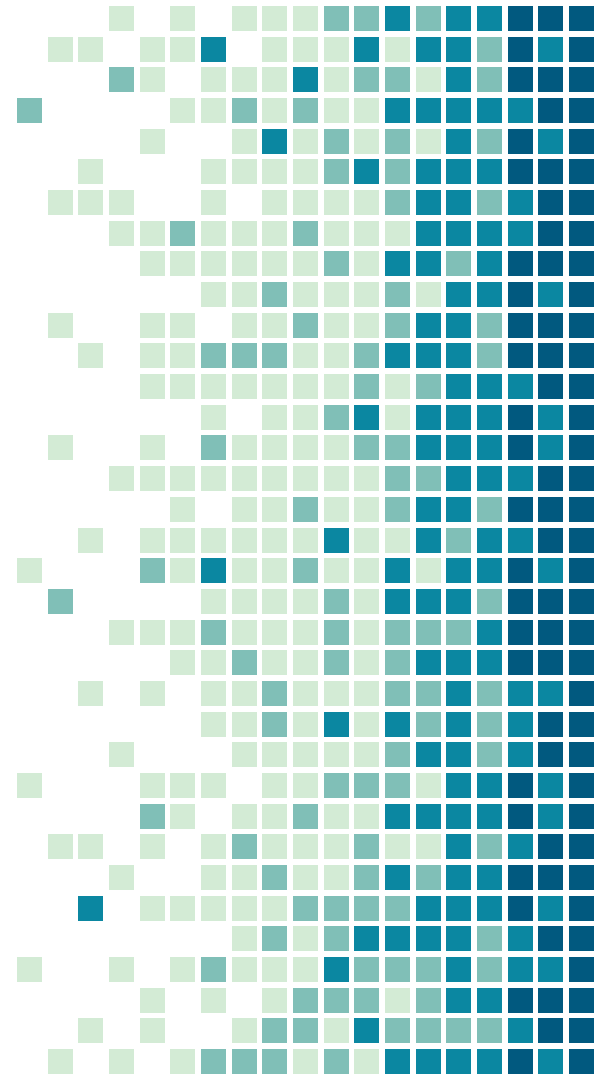
Max characters 15

x=0.501260 y=2972.998

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## NEXT STEPS

Further development



- ❖ **shiny** in R/implement the data create an interactive **application**
- ❖ users select **location, time, band**/show ts graph of the **land features**
- ❖ provide the **organization**/come up with the efficient **strategy**/climate change effects.



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politicians 

super hero 

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