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Thermal RS - Exercise

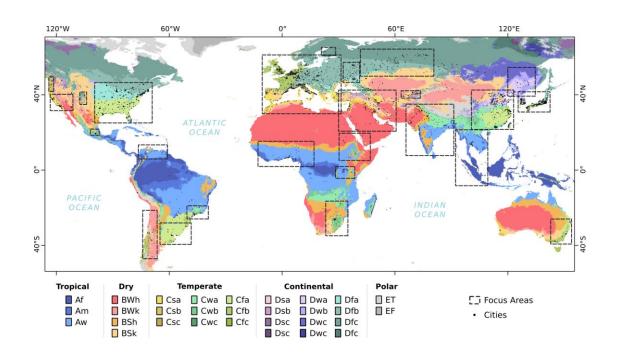
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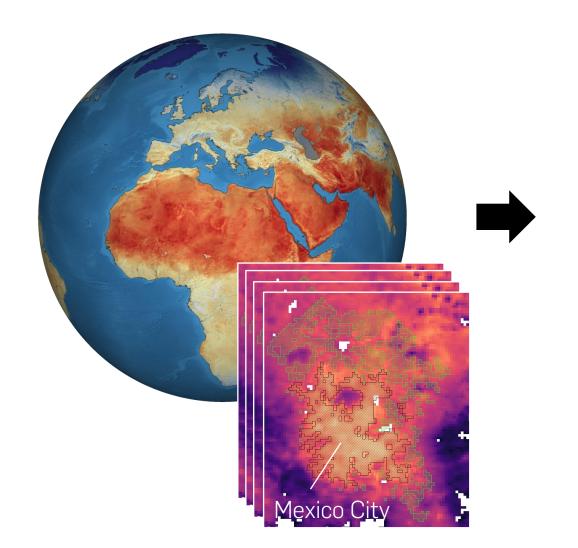
Our Aim

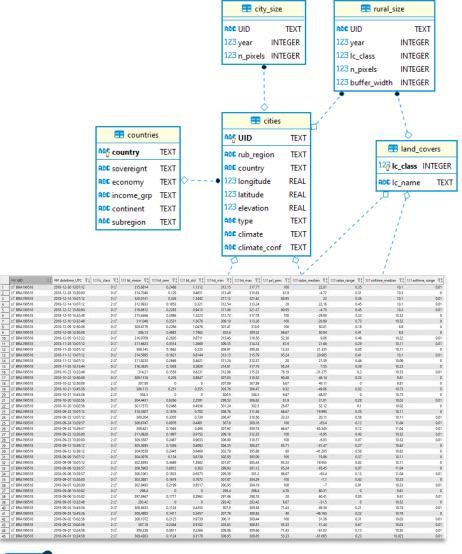
- Global SUHI Dataset
- Analysis-ready data
- Consistent SUHI definition
- Long time-series of data (>20 years)
- Daytime / Nighttime data
- Documented Uncertainties
- Ancillary data to facilitate data analysis
- Make it publicly available in 2022.





From 3D to 1D



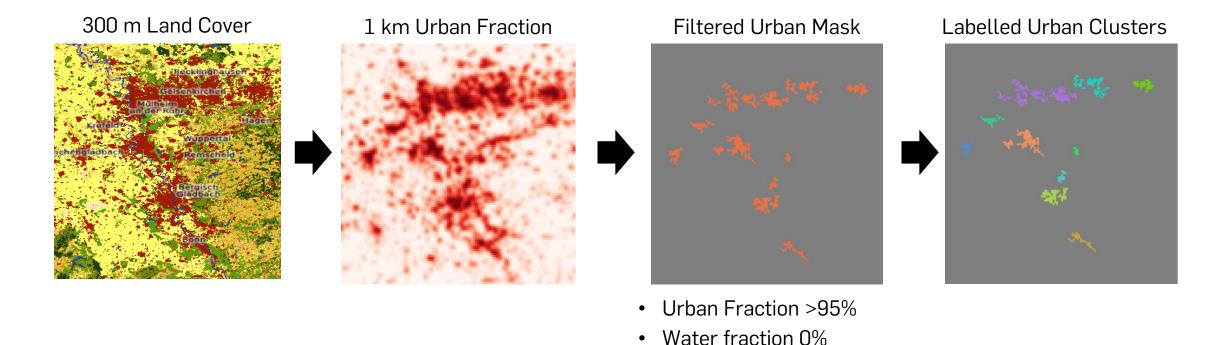






City Delineation (1/3)

• We use a custom implementation of the City Clustering Algorithm.



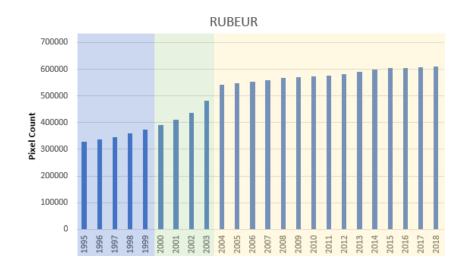
Distance from coastline > ~2 km

9 or more connected pixels

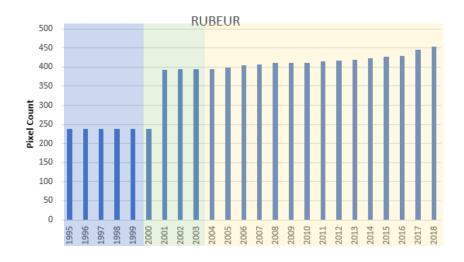


City Delineation (2/3)

Total number of urban pixels (> 0%)



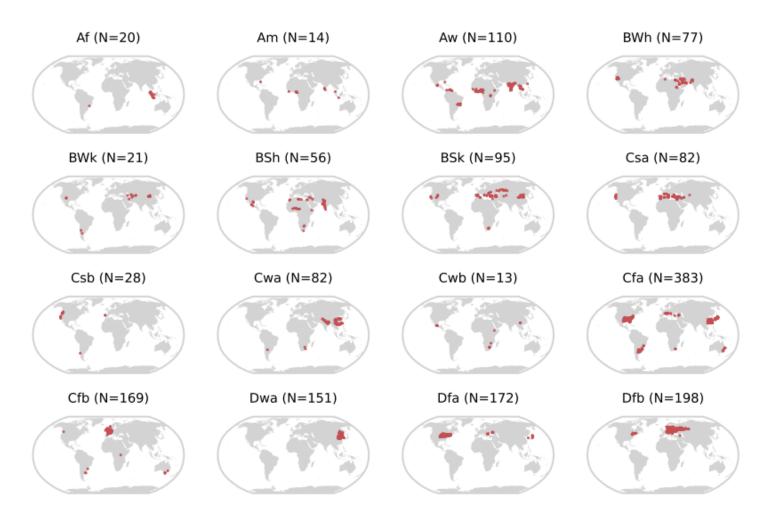
Total number of cities



- 1992 1999: GHSL 1990 + 1 km changes
- 2000 2003: GHSL 2000 + 1 km changes
- 2004 Present: GHSL 2000 + 2014 [+GUF] + 300 m changes



City Delineation (3/3)

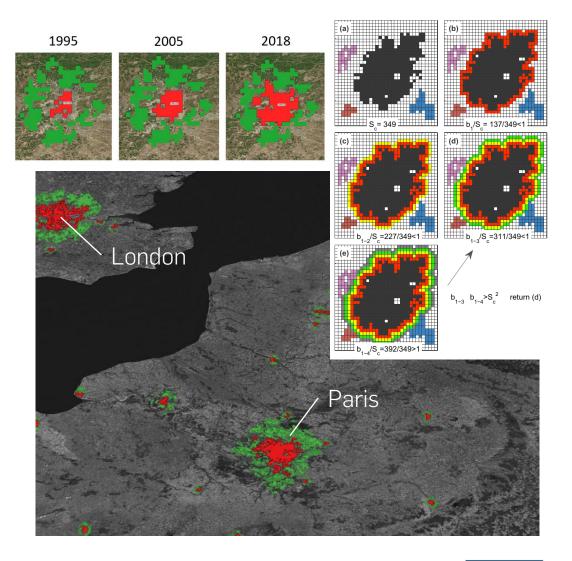


2085 Cities in 20 Köppen-Geiger classes



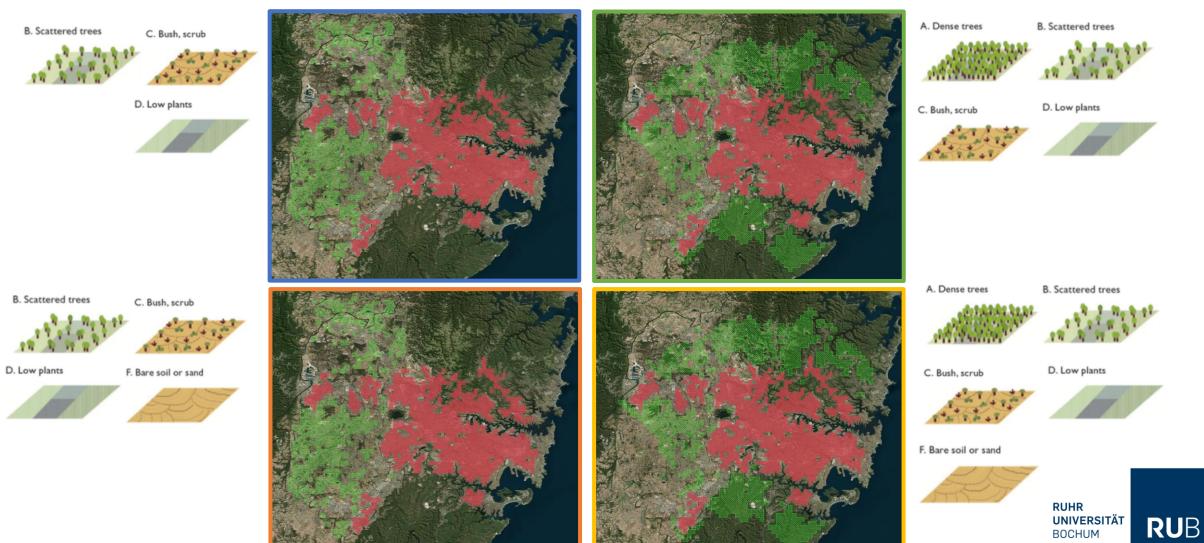
Natural Buffer (1/2)

- We iteratively expand a buffer around each city until they have approx. the same city.
- One per city
- Same for all years
- Natural LC fraction is ≥95% for each year.
- Urban & water fractions are 0%.
- The elevation must not differ by more than ±200 m from the median elevation of the urban area.
- Maximum width is 30 pixels





Natural Buffer (2/2)

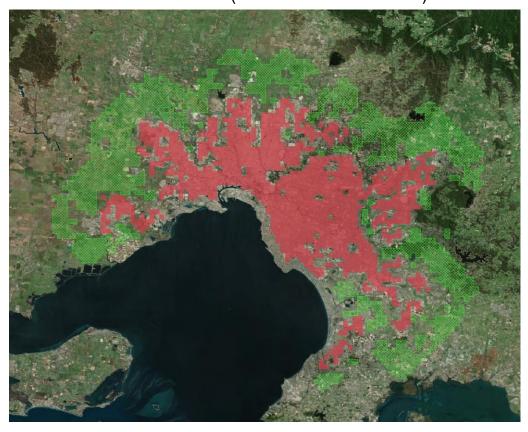


Natural Buffer - Examples

Rural (LCZ B + C + D)

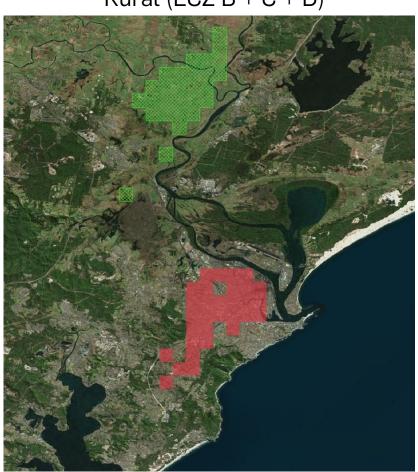


Rural + Forest (LCZ A + B + C + D)

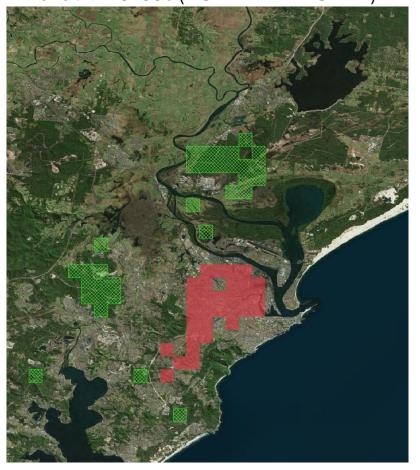


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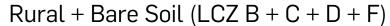
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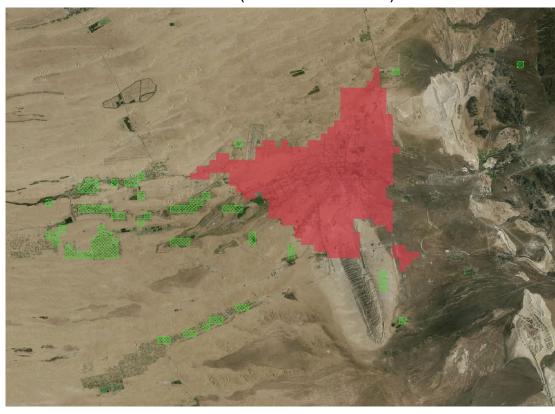




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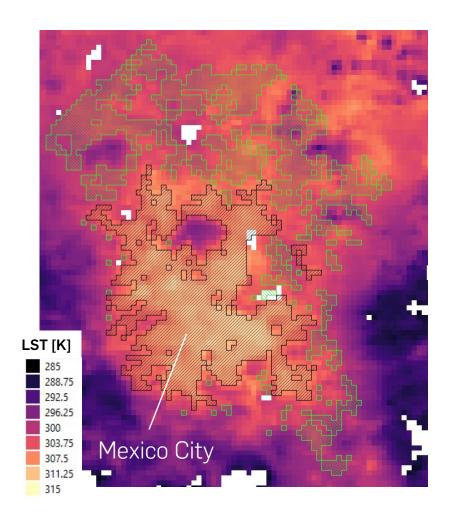








LST Means & SUHI Intensity



Spatial means per day:

$$\overline{LST}_{u} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} LST_{u, i}$$

$$\overline{LST}_{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} LST_{n,i}$$

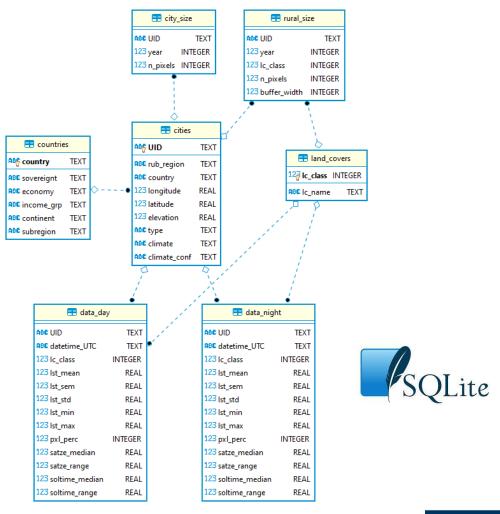
$$SUHII = \overline{LST}_u - \overline{LST}_n$$

- LST min, max, std
- % missing pixels
- Median VZA
- Median Local Solar Time



Analysis-ready Data

- File Format:
 - SQLite is a self-contained, file-based SQL database.
 - Stable, cross-platform, and backwards compatible.
 - Well-supported by both Python and R.
- Ancillary data
 - Timestamp (UTC & Local Solar Time)
 - Satellite VZA, %-missing pixels, urban/natural LST min/max
 - City properties (area, polygon geometry, Köppen-Geiger climate class, lat/lon, elevation, coastal/inland etc.)
 - Socioeconomic data (country, economy, etc.)
 - We are also working to add: NDVI, daily precipitation, daily snowfall, population data.





Outputs

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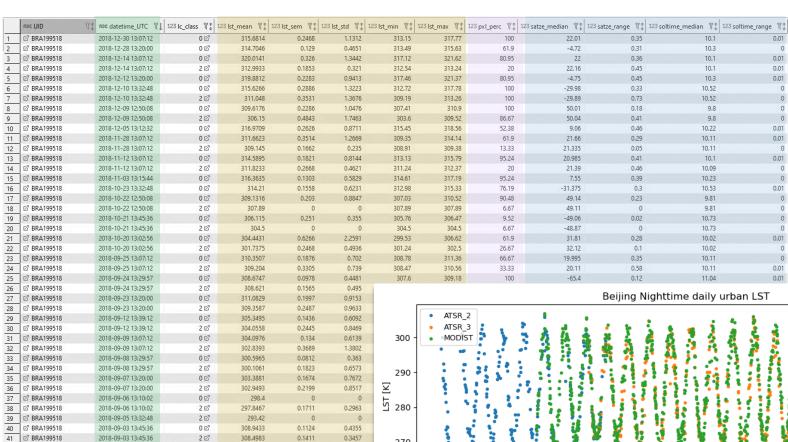
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- LST mean, min, max, std, sem
- % missing pixels
- Median VZA
- Median Local Solar Time
- **Quality Control**
- Solar time

