Geography 4203 / 5203

GIS & Spatial Modeling

Class 4: Raster Analysis I

Some Updates

Readings discussions

Reminder: Summaries!!! Submitted BEFORE discussion starts...

Labs next week:

Start (delayed) of lab season as scheduled (M / W 9-11am)

Last Lecture

- We talked about raster data as one form of tesselation, their properties and important things you will find when working with them
- These facts are important to understand storage limitations, data types, bit depths and resolution-related problems
- In this context the assignment of pixel values in classifications or vector-raster conversions can become complex and is crucial

Last Class Meeting

- Right, and remember the last session which was a readings discussion about the field-object debate
- Take some impressions with you from this nice session - we did not come to an end (nobody ever did)
- Keep in mind the different conceptual model approaches and their counterparts in different disciplines
- Try to remember what the advantages of field representations are in modeling, error analysis and mapping

Today's Outline

- We will talk about some important basics of raster analysis and Map Algebra
- You will hear about the principles of Map Algebra as the foundation of GIS modeling framework
- We will talk about the single building blocks of this modeling language: operators, functions, parameters and objects
- This will give you an impression of the concepts behind it

Learning Objectives

- You will learn what Map Algebra stands for and what the single components are
- You will have insights into the functioning of Map Algebra
- You will understand what functions you are going to use, what an operator is and how to combine all elements for iterative models under control

Some Repitition

Binary Columns

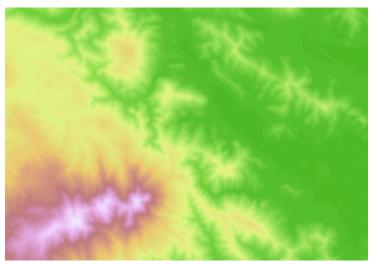
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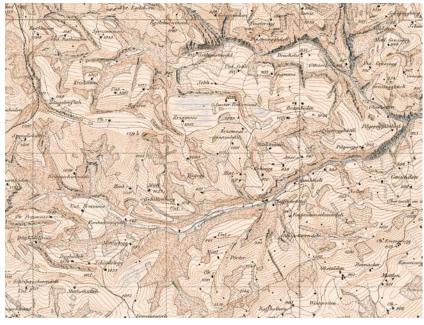
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	Bit depth	Range of values that each cell can contain			
	1 bit	0 to 1			
	2 bit	0 to 3			
	4 bit	0 to 15			
_	Unsigned 8 bit	0 to 255			
	Signed 8 bit	-128 to 127			
	Unsigned 16 bit	0 to 65535			
	Signed 16 bit	-32768 to 32767			
	Unsigned 32 bit	0 to 4294967295			
	Signed 32 bit	-2147483648 to 2147483647			
	Floating-point 32 bit	-3.402823466e+38 to 3.402823466e+38			









World Files for Georeferencing Information

- Some image formats store GI in a header of the image file (grids, img, GeoTIFF)
- Others use world (ASCII) files (.tfw)
- Origin of an image is ul (row values increase downward), of a coord system II

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20.17541308822119 - A
0.00000000000000 - D
0.0000000000000 - B
-20.17541308822119 - E
424178.11472601280548 - C
4313415.90726399607956 - F

A = x-scale; dimension of a pixel in map units in x direction
B, D = rotation terms
C, F = translation terms; x,y map coordinates of the center of the upper left pixel
E = negative of y-scale; dimension of a pixel in map units in y direction
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Critical Points in Working with Raster Data

- Noise, false colors, mixed colors
- Object separation / identification
- Neighborhoods for Morphology operators
- Assignment and coding
- Edges, contours and transitions between objects and background (blurring)

Raster and Raster Analysis

- Two-dimensional arrays organized in columns and rows as basis for efficient computation (translation into code)
- Making use of the simple and flexible data structure
- Fields, objects, regions, connected components, networks
- Developing and extending functionalities and operators

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Understanding Raster Analysis

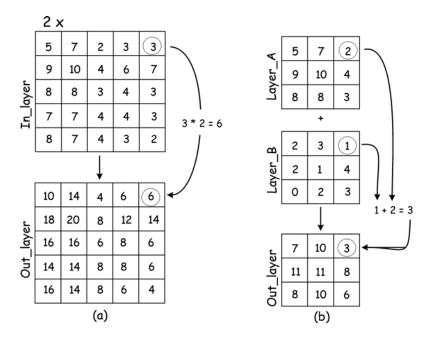
- To apply analysis tools is easy and straightforward
- Behind existing tools are complex algorithms implying mathematics, geometry and matrix operations between datasets and within regions of the same layer
- Thus a basic understanding of the concepts behind these tools is fundamental

Map Algebra

- Introduced by Dana Tomlin and Joseph Berry
- Cell-by-cell combination of raster data layers (addition, subtraction, multipl.,...)
- Simple operations on numbers stored as values at raster cell locations
- Output grids with results at the cell locations corresponding to input cells

Map Algebra Operations

- Unary Operations
- **Binary** Operations
- Higher-order Operations



Map Algebra and Matrix Algebra

- One-to-one locational correspondence throughout all functions applied
- *, /, **, root are defined by the same rules of maintaining the one-to-one translation
- Matrix Algebra would apply rules for mathematical matrices (do you remember them?)
- If A is a 2x3 and B is a 3x2 matrix:

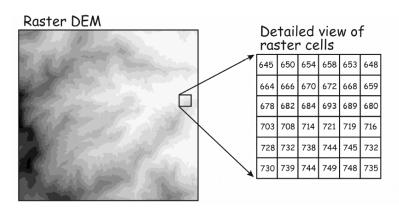
$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} + a_{13}b_{31} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} + a_{13}b_{32} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} + a_{23}b_{31} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} + a_{23}b_{32} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{BA} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11}a_{11} + b_{12}a_{21} & b_{11}a_{12} + b_{12}a_{22} & b_{11}a_{13} + b_{12}a_{23} \\ b_{21}a_{11} + b_{22}a_{21} & b_{21}a_{12} + b_{22}a_{22} & b_{21}a_{13} + b_{22}a_{23} \\ b_{31}a_{11} + b_{32}a_{21} & b_{31}a_{12} + b_{32}a_{22} & b_{31}a_{13} + b_{32}a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} + b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{p1} + b_{p1} & a_{p2} + b_{p2} & \cdots & a_{pn} + b_{pn} \end{bmatrix}$$

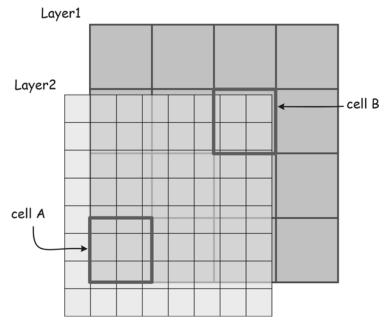
Why we are not doing Matrix Algebra

- So that is the special sense of Map Algebra:
- Position of individual grid cells corresponds to their position in geographic space (not in math matrices)
- Cell values are changed but **not** their position...
- Intuitively easy to get but it is important to know these differences... and why they exist



Raster-Related Problems

- Different extents and NoData values (the common or "shared" area?)
- Different raster **cell sizes** (how to define comb.)
- Misalignment of raster cells
- Resampling & Transformations



Map Algebra as Modeling Language

- Something like a modified version of Matrix Algebra, yes!
- But it can be seen as a complete modeling language (taken as standard for industry)
- Allows for program control, development and iteration + mathematical manipulation and logical operators of comparison
- ...and thus for the whole complexity of modeling
- Fuzzy logic as one example

Rules to be Followed

- E.g. in ESRI's Spatial Analyst
- Building blocks for Map Algebra language are:

Objects - datasets, layers, values (as inputs or storage location)

Actions - performed on objects; *operators* and *functions* (loc,foc,zon,glob) + *application functions*

Qualifiers on the actions - parameters determining the conduction of a function

Actions I: Basic Operators

- Computations within & between objects
- Remember NoData values...
- **Arithmetic** (+,-,*,/,**,root,mod)
- Relational / Compare / Conditional (<,>,==,>=,...)
- **Boolean** / Logical (&&, ||, !, XOR)
- Combinatorial (and, or; unique identifiers not Boolean)
- Assignment (=)
- Accumulative (+=, -=,...)
- Logical (IN, DIFF, OVER)

Actions II: Functions

- Spatial modeling tools for cell-based data
- Higher-order GIS operations
- Important building blocks for model implementation based on Map Algebra
- Parameter-dependent

Function Types in Map Algebra Local function

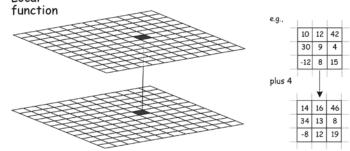
Local: cell-by-cell

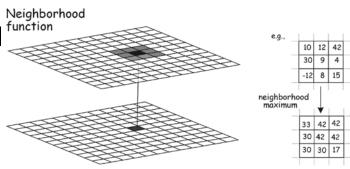
 Neighborhood (Focal): neighborhood analysis

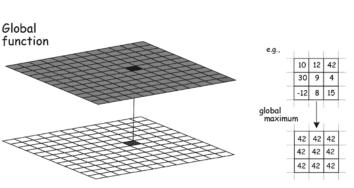
Block: whole blocks of cells

Zonal: within homogeneous areas, zonal analysis/statistics

- Global: incorporation of the full dataset
- Special types
- Uniform definition of entities in raster data

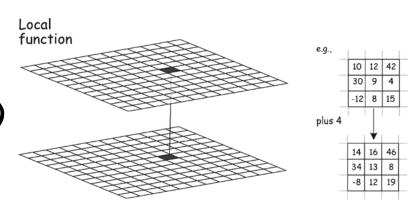






Local Functions

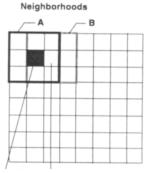
- Uniform cell size presumed for cell-by-cell analysis (ul start)
- Mathematical/arithmetic functions
- Logical operations
- Reclassification
- Nested functions
- Overlay in raster data
- sin(c\:temp\myRaster)

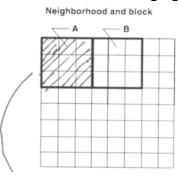


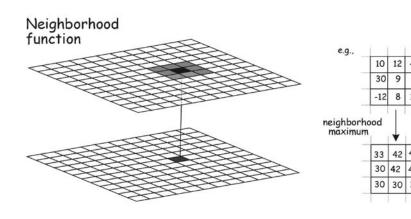
Neighborhood (Focal) Functions

- Everyday needs in raster GIS (slope, aspect)
- Also neighborhoods uniform
- Cell is characterized/modified based on a predefined neighborhood of grid cells
- Focalsum([inlayer], rectangle, 3, 3)
- Neighborhoods and moving windows

Blocks non-overlapping







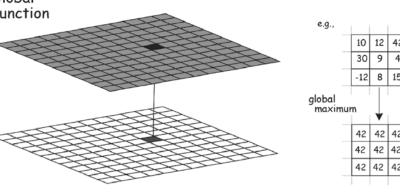
Zonal Functions

- Zones identified from another layer for evaluation of the target cell
- Zones are geographic areas with certain characteristics (not necessarily connected such as regionGroups)
- Internal attribute homogeneity
- meangrid = zonalmean(zonalgrid,valuegrid)
- Statistics are written into each cell of a zone
- Blocks similar but predefined "roving window corresponds to the zone

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1					4	4
1						4
1						
		2				
	2	2	3	3		
	2	2		3	3	
2	2	2		3		

Global Functions

- Operate on the entire grid at once
- Each cell is a function of all input cells
- EucDistance, WeightDistance, Hydrological, Surface, Visibility, Viewshed, Max,... global function
- eucdist(...)



Further Functions

- We will see many specialized functions implemented in GIS tools
- Complex functions which integrate many of basic functions
- Hydrological functions
- Surface analysis

Flow Control

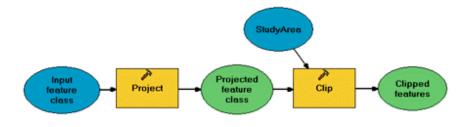
- Integral component of Map Algebra
- Command line framework / GUI as interface with the GIS user
- Composed of two elements (that work with operations and functions):
- Statements: verbal representation of operations to link operators, functions and programming commands
- Programs: notational representation of a procedure in Map Algebra; ordered sequence of statements

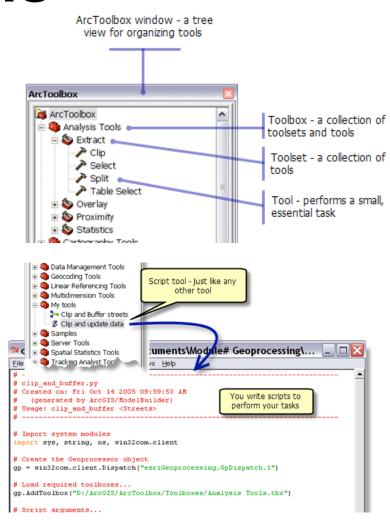
Iteration

- Repeated execution of the same sequence of statements under varying conditions or with other datasets or subsets or based on testing for conditions ("for looping", "while looping")
- Combined with if then logic
- Makes a modeling framework more powerful

... Geoprocessing Framework in ArcGIS

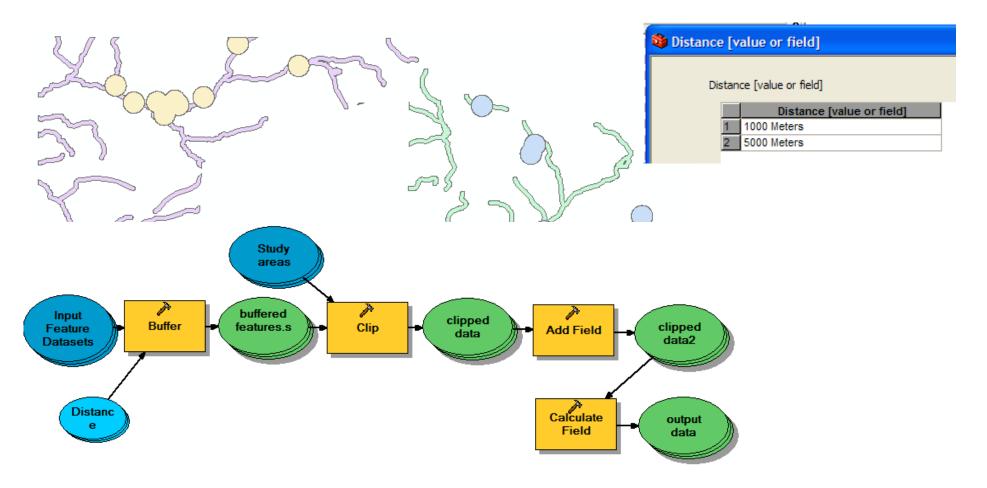
- Tool dialog: Single tasks
- Command line
- Model-building: This is GIS2!
- Scripting/Programming: This is where we'll go in GIS3!





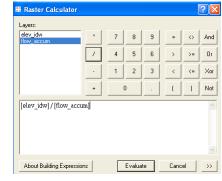
"Graphical" Modeling Framework

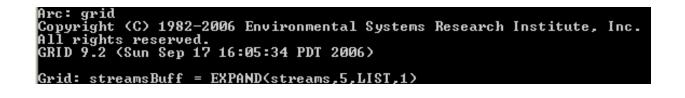
Different Buffer distances for different features in different areas

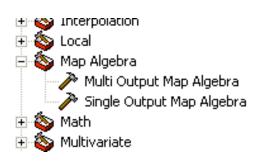


How to Access Map Algebra

- Spatial Analyst: Raster Calculator
- Command line prompt in ArcGrid (going to be gone...)
- ArcToolbox: Single Output Map
 Algebra (for use in ModelBuilder)
- ArcToolbox: Multiple Output Map Algebra (for use in scripting)





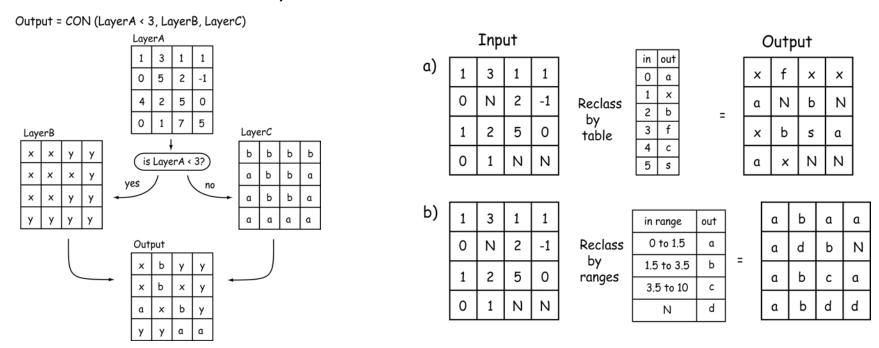


More on Local Functions

- Basically the operators we have seen before are executed cell-by-cell
- Remember the handling with NoData values,
 0-values and values unequal to zero
- Higher level operations based on local processing are reclassifications, nested functions and overlays...
- ...trigonometric, exp., log., select, statistical,...

Local Functions: Reclassifications

- Assigning output values that depend on the specific set of input values
- Based on a table, ranges of values (for automated reclassification) or conditional tests



Local Functions: Nested Functions

Functions as arguments in other functions

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absValues = ABS(Input)

LogValues = LN(absValues)

LogValues = LN(ABS(Input))

LogValues = LN(ABS(Input))
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Local Functions: Overlay I

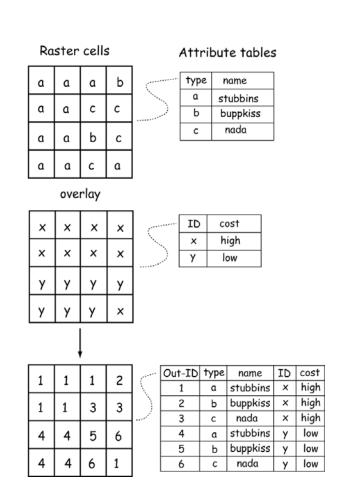
Input

layer 2

Output

layer

- Cell-by-cell comparison to register Input layer 1 unique combinations of variables
- "vectors" of attributes given in a table (many to one relationships and extended rasters)



Local Functions: Overlay II

Source

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3 4

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2 -1

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3 2

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Clip

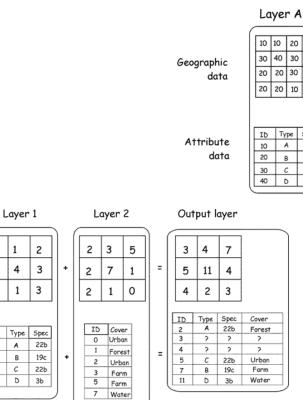
Multiplication to mimic source and template layers (binary masks)

clip (extraction) using

Addition to mimic union (same id's for disjunct pixels with same characteristics through many-to-one rs. + ambiguous if same values out of different combinations)

Geographic

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Output

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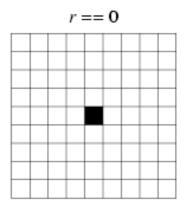
Combining zonal with overlay...

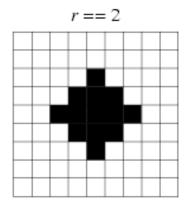
More on Neighborhood Functions

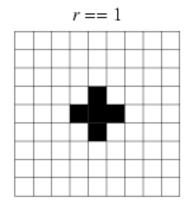
- Often based on the concept of moving windows:
- Configuration of raster cells that is positioned over the input raster and defines the input for an operation to be applied. Result associated with center and written to the output. Window "moves" to the next location...
- Much depends on the **neighborhood**...
- Any ideas of functions that use NF?

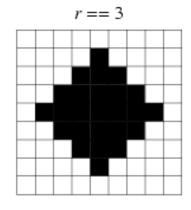
Von Neumann Neighborhood

- Diamond-shaped
- To define a set of cells surrounding a given cell
- Ranges r = 0, 1, 2, 3
- N = 2*r(r+1)+1
- "centered square number"



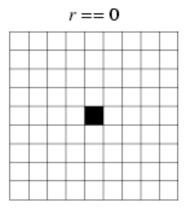


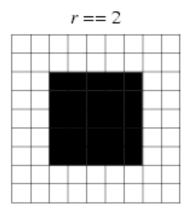


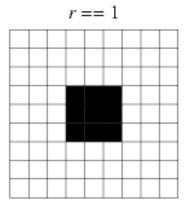


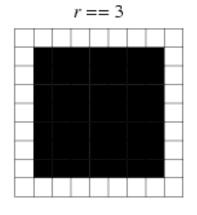
Moore Neighborhood

- Square-shaped
- To define a set of cells surrounding a given cell
- Ranges r = 0, 1, 2, 3
- $N = (2r+1)^2$
- "odd squares"

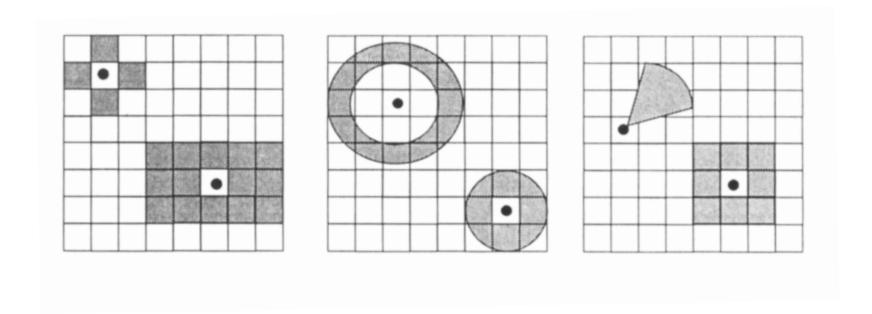






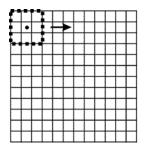


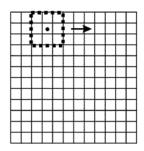
Other Types of Neighborhood

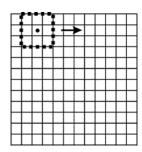


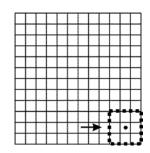
The Principles of Moving Windows

- Left-to-right and top-to-bottom
- Dimensions: size of the neighborhood
- Odd-numbered in x and y to provide a natural center cell and square- or rectangular-shaped (or L or wedge or circular)

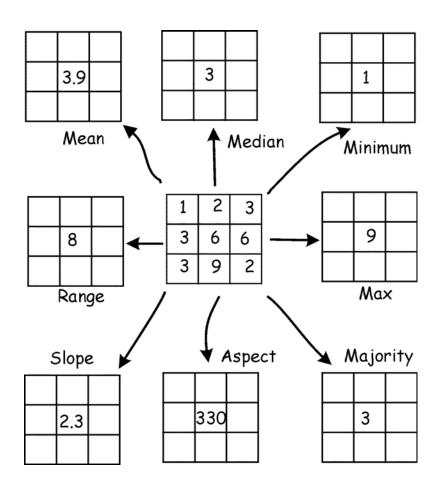






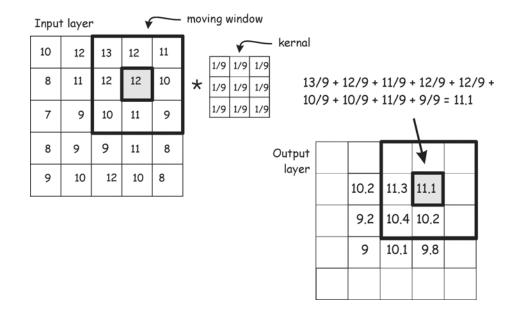


Examples for Moving Window NFs



Moving Windows and Kernels

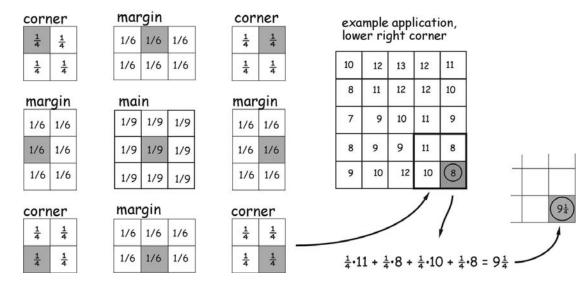
- Set of constants for a given window size and shape
- Are applied with a function to every moving window location
- What can you see at the margins of the output grid?



Moving Windows and Margin Erosion

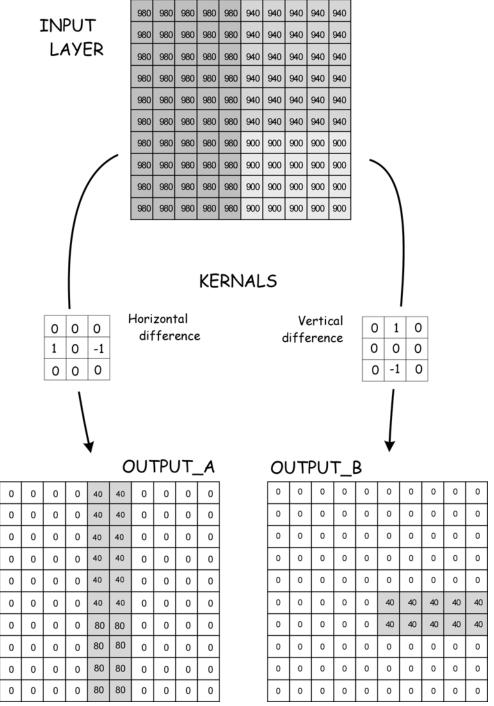
- Loss of margins in the original raster dataset: width of cells from the center cell away
- Solutions: (a) Enlargement of study areas
 (b) MW- and Kernel modification at corners (2x2; 1/4) and edges (2x3; 1/6)

Mean function kernels



Edge Detection Using Kernels

- Concentration changes; elevation changes,...
- Discovering contrasts / differences within the local neighborhood

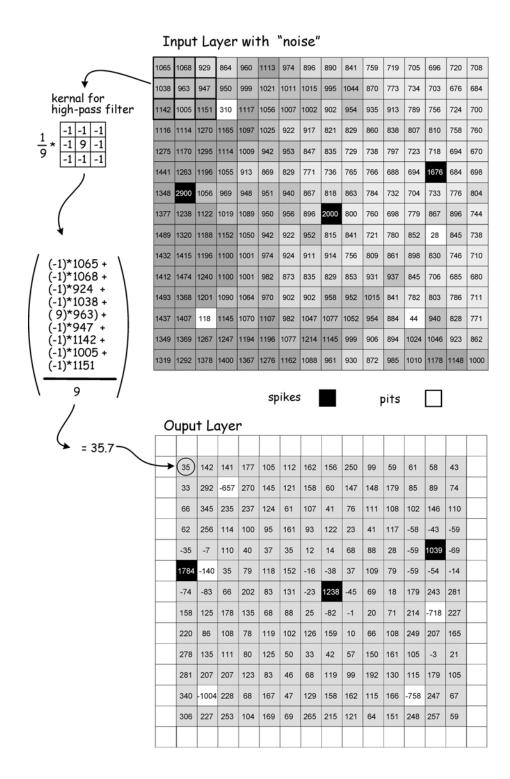


Noise Filtering Using Kernels

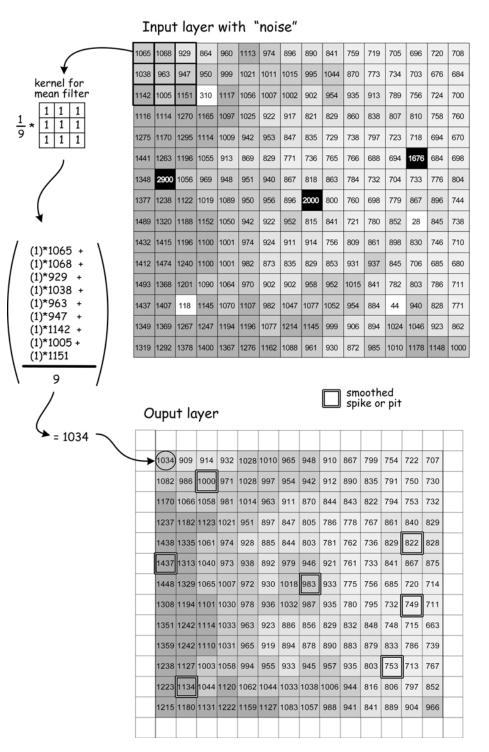
- Smoothing: Reducing differences between neighboring cells (mean Kernels / operators; low-pass filters)
- Noise: Errors in measurement, recording or transforming the data or due to data loss

High-Pass Filter

- Accentuates
 differences
 between adjacent
 cells in a moving
 window
- Identifying "spikes" (+ >>) and "pits" (- >>)

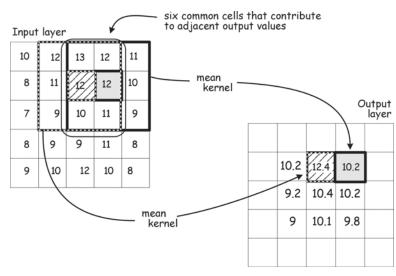


 Remove the spikes and pits identified by highpass filtering



Moving Windows and Spatial Covariance

- The more moving window operations / functions carried out the more related (autocorrelated) the cell values are
- Adjacent cells share six of nine cells in the local neighborhood for the computation...



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