Ecosystem Classifier

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Dataset sources

• VIIRS (EOGDATA)

Radiation data

Land Data Assimilation (LDAS)

Elevation datasets by NASA

• Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS)

Climate and vegetation data (NDVI & EVI) by NASA

• Open-Elevation.com

Elevation data

Development

1. Global data acquisition

environmental variables like climate, vegetation, and land cover characteristics

Sampling training data

Help the model learn the distinct features of different ecosystems, ensuring that it can make accurate predictions

3. Definition of ecosystem by literature (excluded oceans)

defined specific ecosystem types and their characteristics

Classifications

• Artificial-Urban-Buildings
(New York City, Paris)

• Artificial-Agriculture-Fields (Niedersachsen, Wisconsin)

- Natural-Forest-Boreal/Taiga (Alberta, Siberia)
- Natural-Forest-Temperate (Black Forest, Yellowstone)
- Natural-Desert-Hot

 (Sahara Desert, Kalahari Desert)
- Natural-Desert-Cold

 (Gobi Desert)

Total of 15

113 parameters



Development

4. Training model with Random Forest

Relationships between variables that define each ecosystem type

5. Define ecosystem identity for 3800 pixels

Represents a specific part of the land, assigned to an ecosystem type based on the model's prediction

