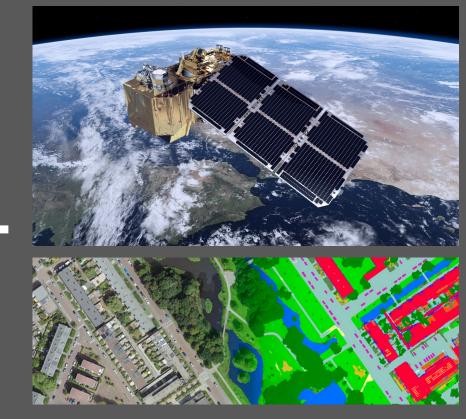
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Remote Sensing reading group

Favourite RS tools, packages and software 23 May 2024



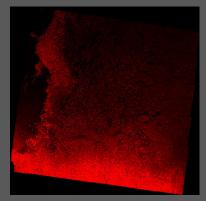
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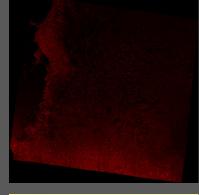
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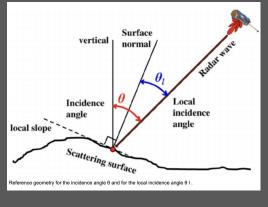
Louisa van Zeeland

Sentinel Application Platform (SNAP)

- Python code to call SNAP
 https://github.com/wajuqi/Sentinel-1-preprocessing-using-Snappy
- Used on SAR scenes for incidence angle calibration
- Terrain correction, thermal noise removal, sigma0 calibration, apply orbit file, etc









Thijs van der Plas

Geopandas

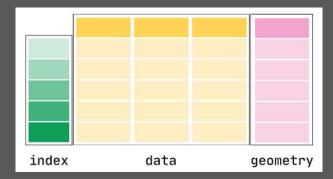
- Python pkg
- .shp files (points / polylines / polygons)

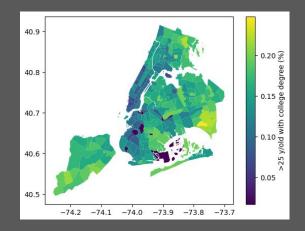
Handles .shp files in Python as GeoDataFrame

Geospatial operations (area, distance, buffer, **overlay**, **dissolve**, **sample**, etc.)

Plotting

Rtree included (gdf.sindex)





John Francis

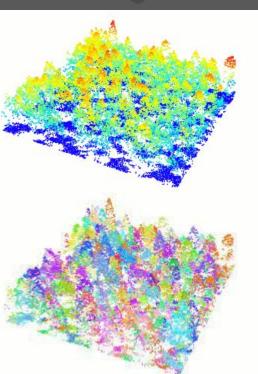
lidR

- <u>R package</u>
- .las .laz (point cloud data)

Package for manipulating and visualizing point clouds, with an emphasis on (but not limited to!) forestry application.

Allows for computation of metrics in area based approach, point filtering, artificial point reduction, classification from geographic data, normalization, individual tree segmentation, processing of large tile catalogs





Meilun Zhou

DeepForest

- Python package developed by Ben Weinstein
- Works on RGB Imagery

Airborne Object Detection and Classification using RGB imagery

I work with DeepForest for tree crown detection for my thesis research

https://deepforest.readthedocs.io/en/latest/

https://milliontrees.idtrees.org/



Anna Zanchetta

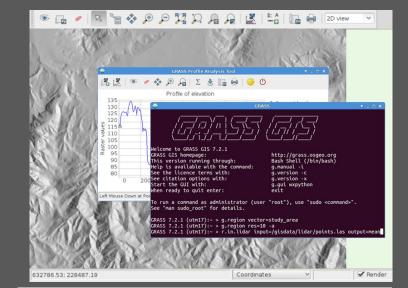


Grass GIS

- Bash, R, Python...
- Raster analysis (mainly)



- Free and Open Source Software (FOSS)
 affiliated project of OSGeo Foundation;
- Runs on Linux, Mac and Windows;
- GUI or a command line syntax (useful for automation and production);
- 500+ modules





Barbara Metzler

TorchGeo

- <u>Python package</u>
- library for deep learning on geospatial data, built on PyTorch

Key features:

- Data loading: Datasets and samplers (20+)
- Geospatial operations (cropping, resampling,..)
- Pre-trained models (40+)



BigEarthNet

CLASS torchgeo.datasets.BigEarthNet(root='data', split='train', bands='all', num_classes=19, transforms=None, download=False, checksum=False) [SOURCE]

| Sentinel-2 | | | | | | | | |
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Alejandro Coca-Castro

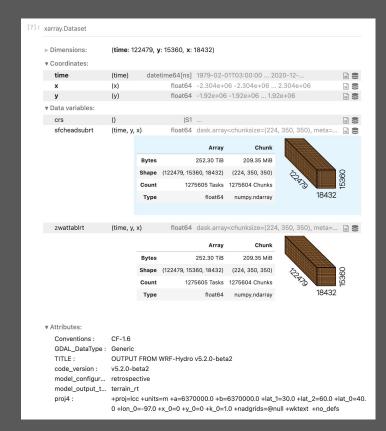




Xarray

- Python package (Pangeo ecosystem)
- Suited to N-dimensional arrays (labeled coordinates and dimensions)

- Build upon and extend the core strengths of NumPy and pandas
- Integrated with libraries for parallel computing (dask), vis (HoloViz) and common formats (netCDF, geoTIFF)
- Extensions for the RS/GIS community
 e.g xarray-spatial and xdqqs

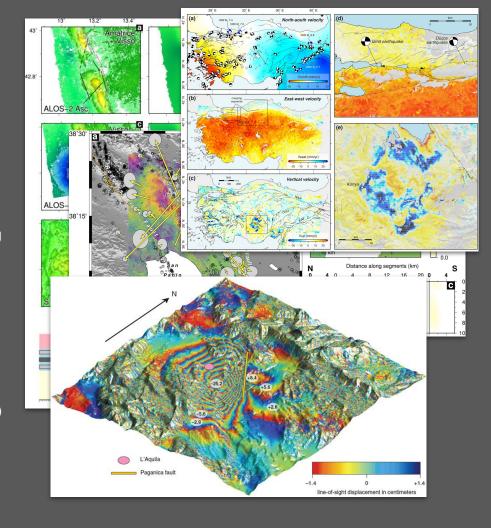


Richard Walters



GMT (Generic Mapping Tools)

- Compiled C, runs under Linux, Win, Mac and wrappers for Python, Matlab, Julia, R....
- Geospatial analysis, plotting
- Open-source collection of command-line tools for manipulating geographic and Cartesian data sets (including filtering, trend fitting, gridding, projecting...) and producing high-quality illustrations from simple x-y plots via contour maps to artificially illuminated surfaces and 3D perspective views. Supports most map projections and transformations and includes supporting data such as coastlines, rivers, political boundaries etc.
- GMT + GDAL =
- One of the most used toolsets in Earth, Ocean, and Planetary sciences
- Written by two grad students @Lamont-Doherty (Columbia)
- In use for 40 yrs, ~2000 cites/yr, ongoing investment from NSF (~\$1M funding in last 5 yrs), new extensions/spin-offs PyGMT, GMTSAR
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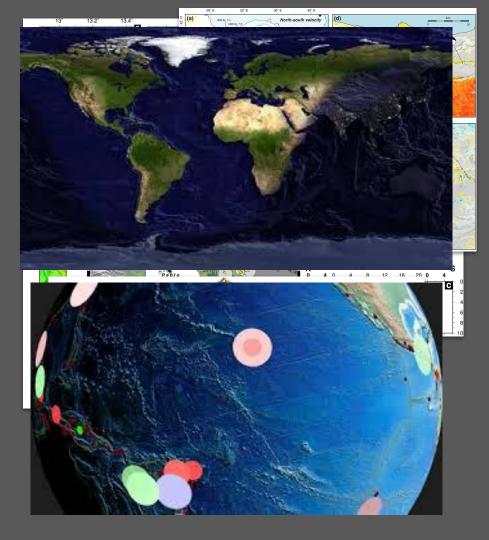


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