

Gross Primary Production from Above

Remote Sensing & Digital Forest

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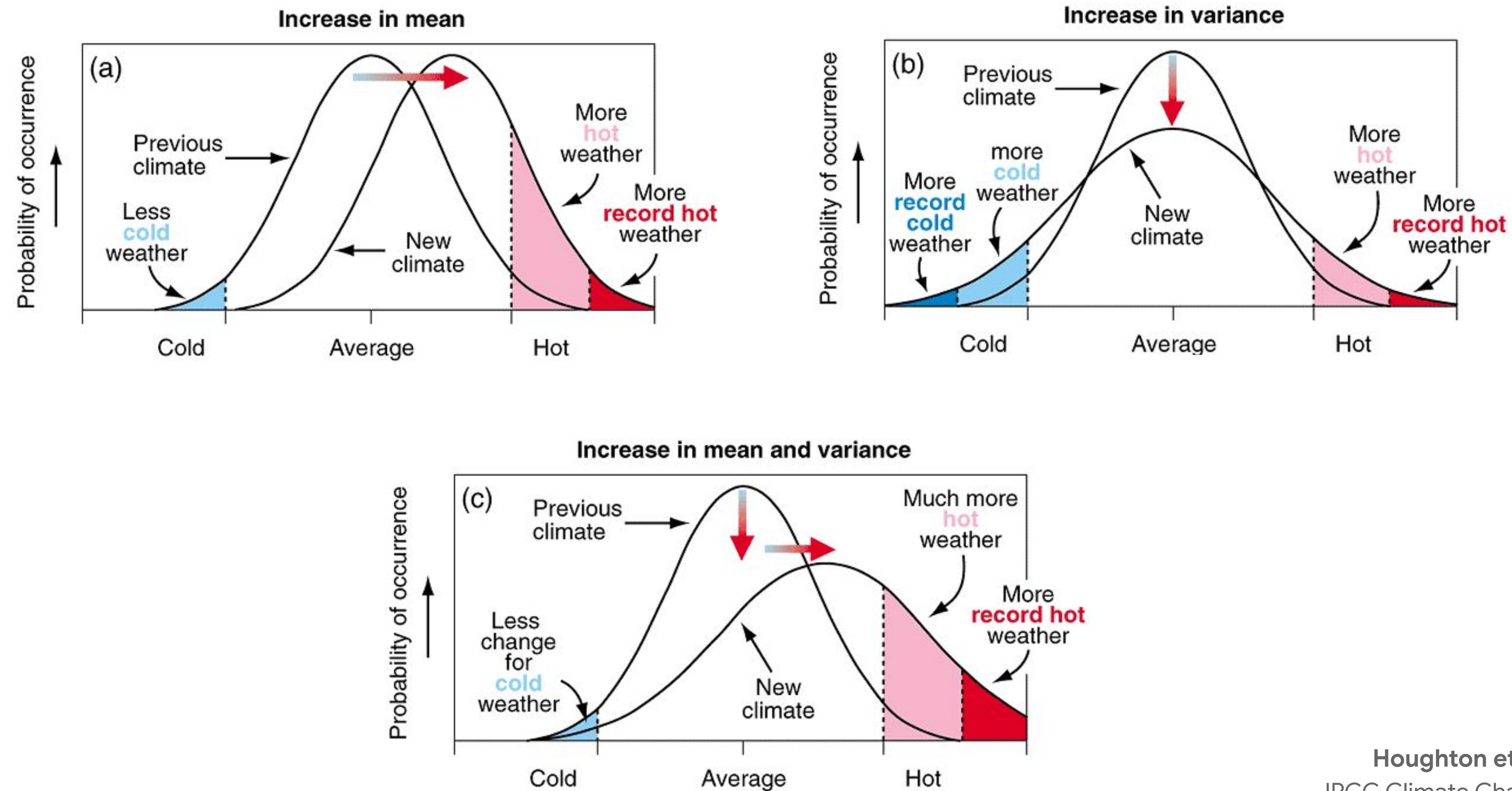
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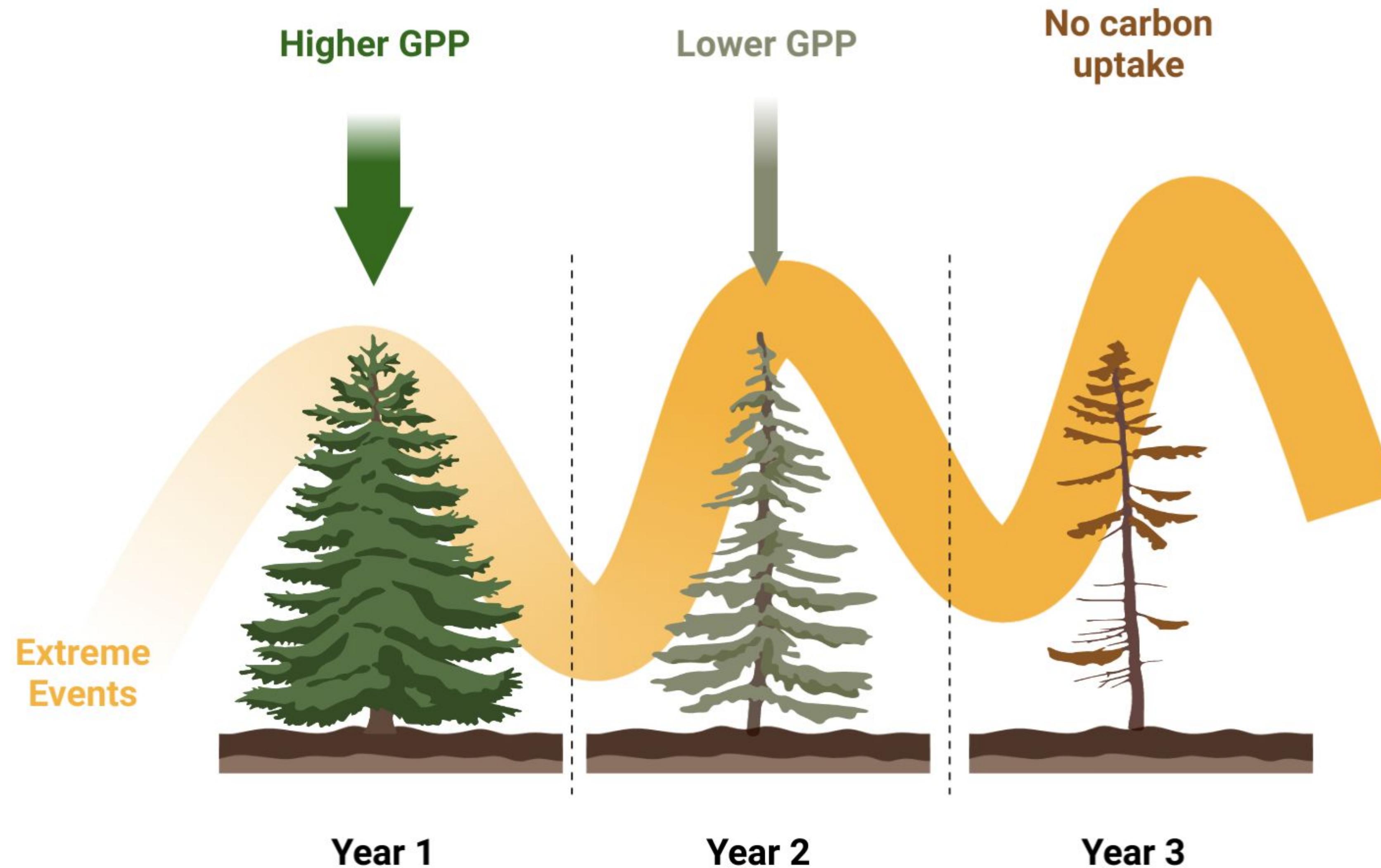
**Extremes events and their
impact on biosphere**

Extreme events are increasing

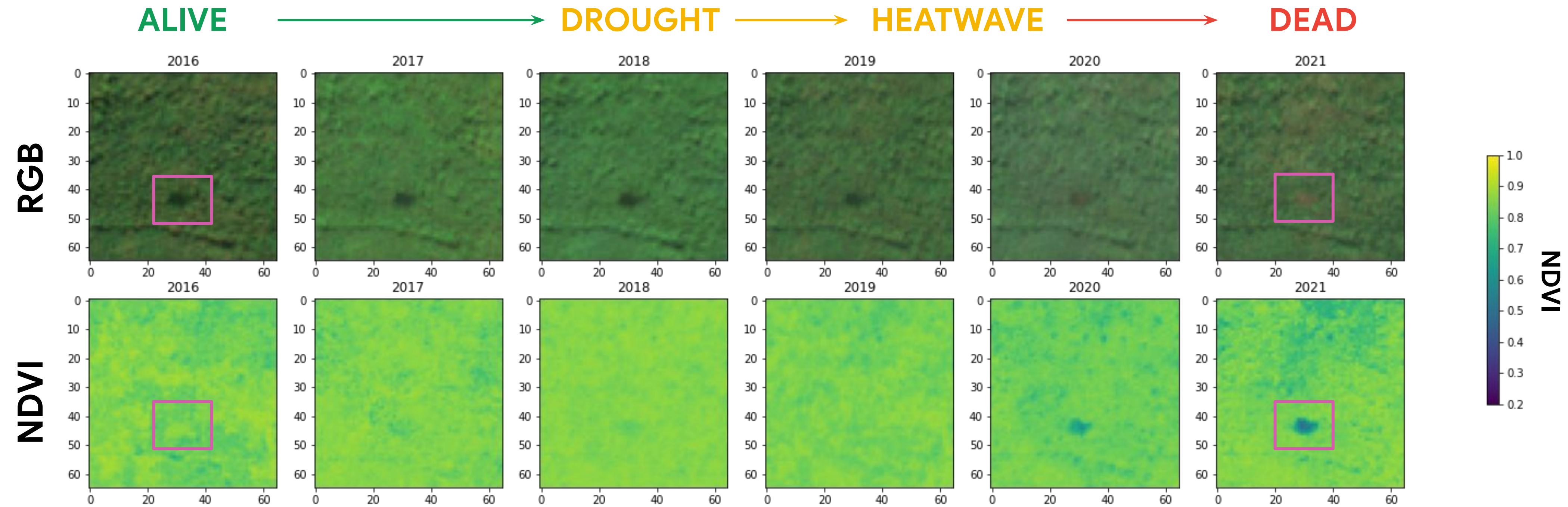


Houghton et al., 2001
IPCC Climate Change 2001

Effects on carbon uptake



Tree mortality



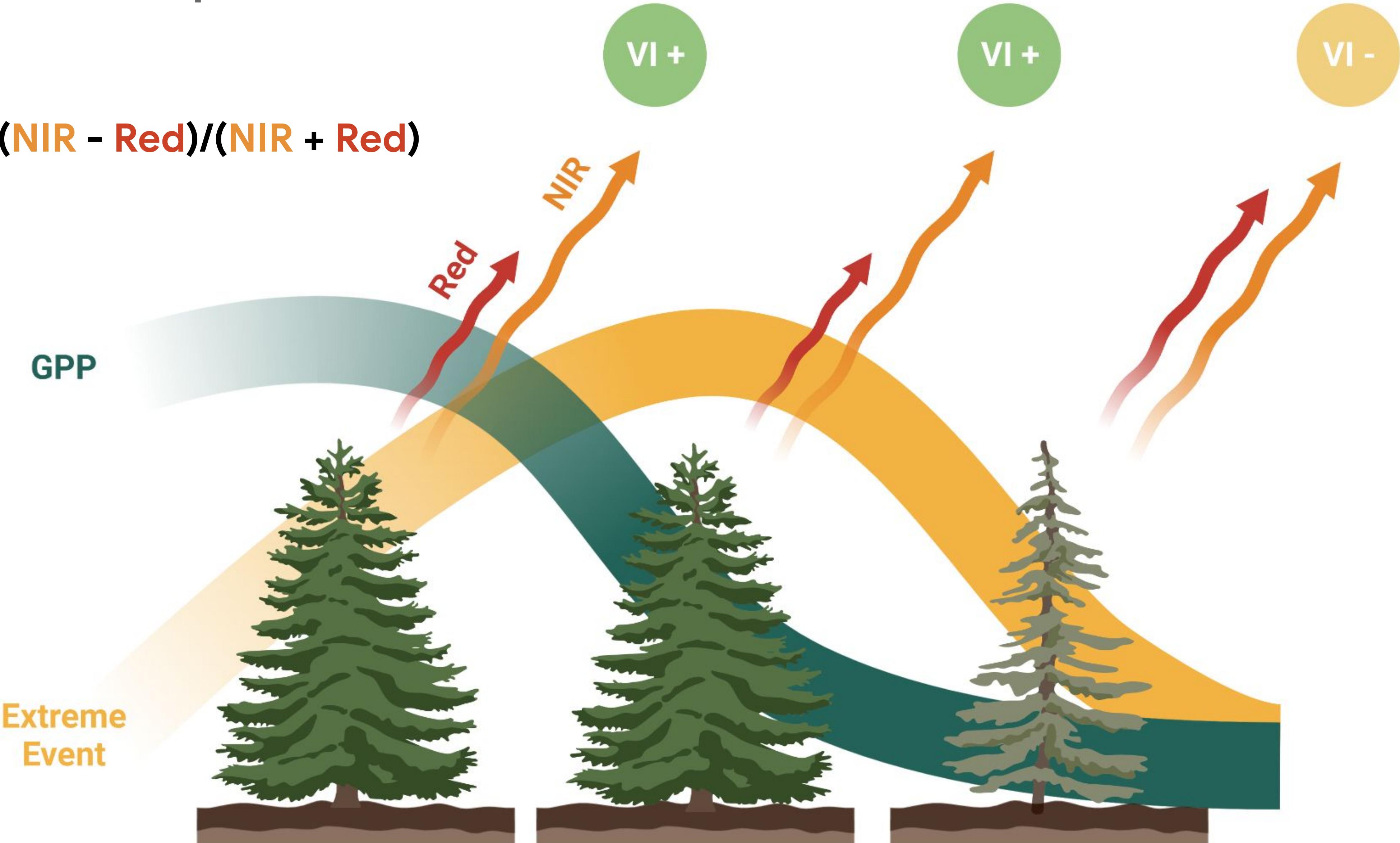
NDVI: Normalized Difference Vegetation Index

GPP Downregulation



Spectral response

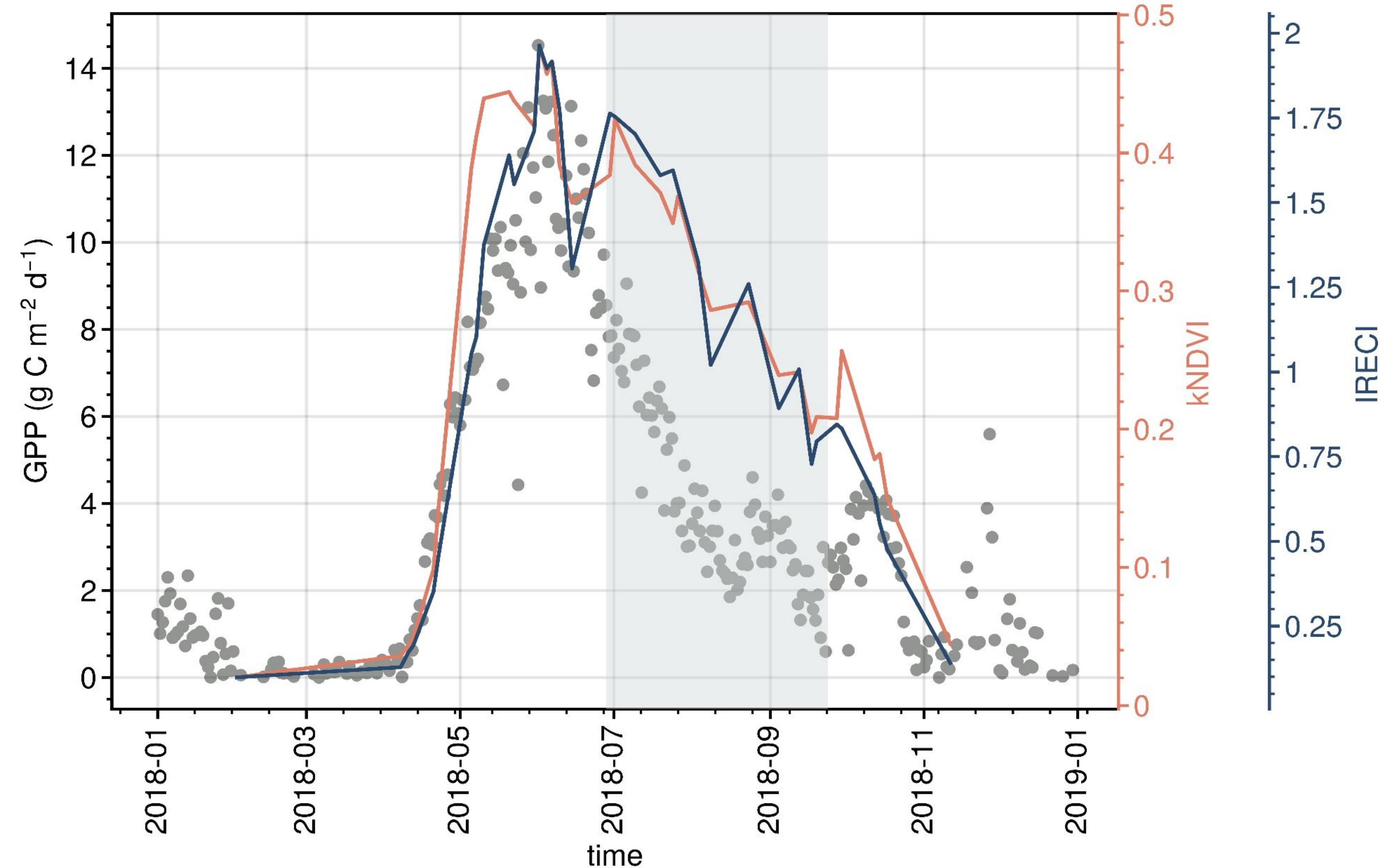
$$\text{NDVI} = (\text{NIR} - \text{Red}) / (\text{NIR} + \text{Red})$$



NIR: Near-Infrared

VI: Vegetation Index

Instantaneous prediction from RS is NOT enough



kNDVI: Kernel NDVI

IRECI: Inverted Red Edge Chlorophyll Index

Hypotheses

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Exploiting the memory of Remote Sensing signals improves the GPP estimation in forests.

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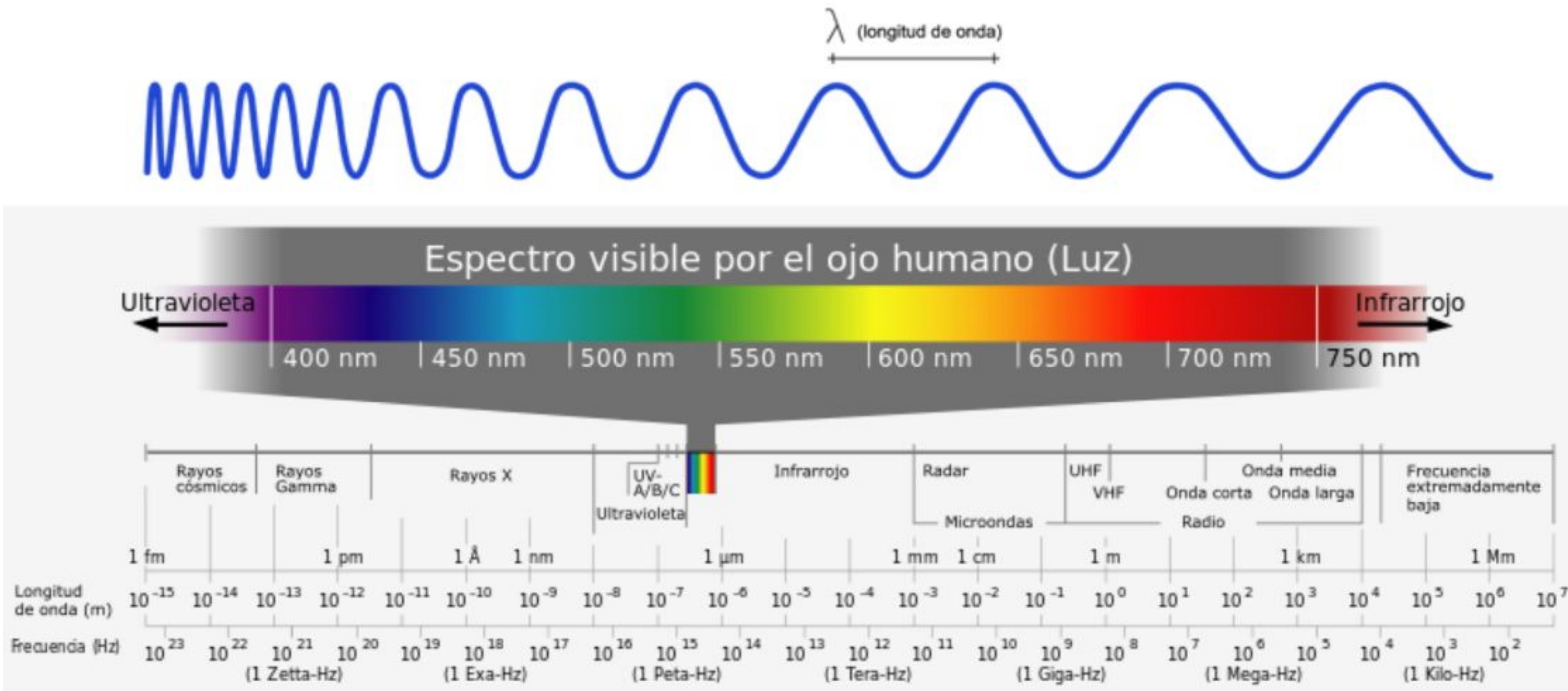
Considering the temporal dependencies using Deep Learning improves the GPP prediction during extreme events.

First Chapter

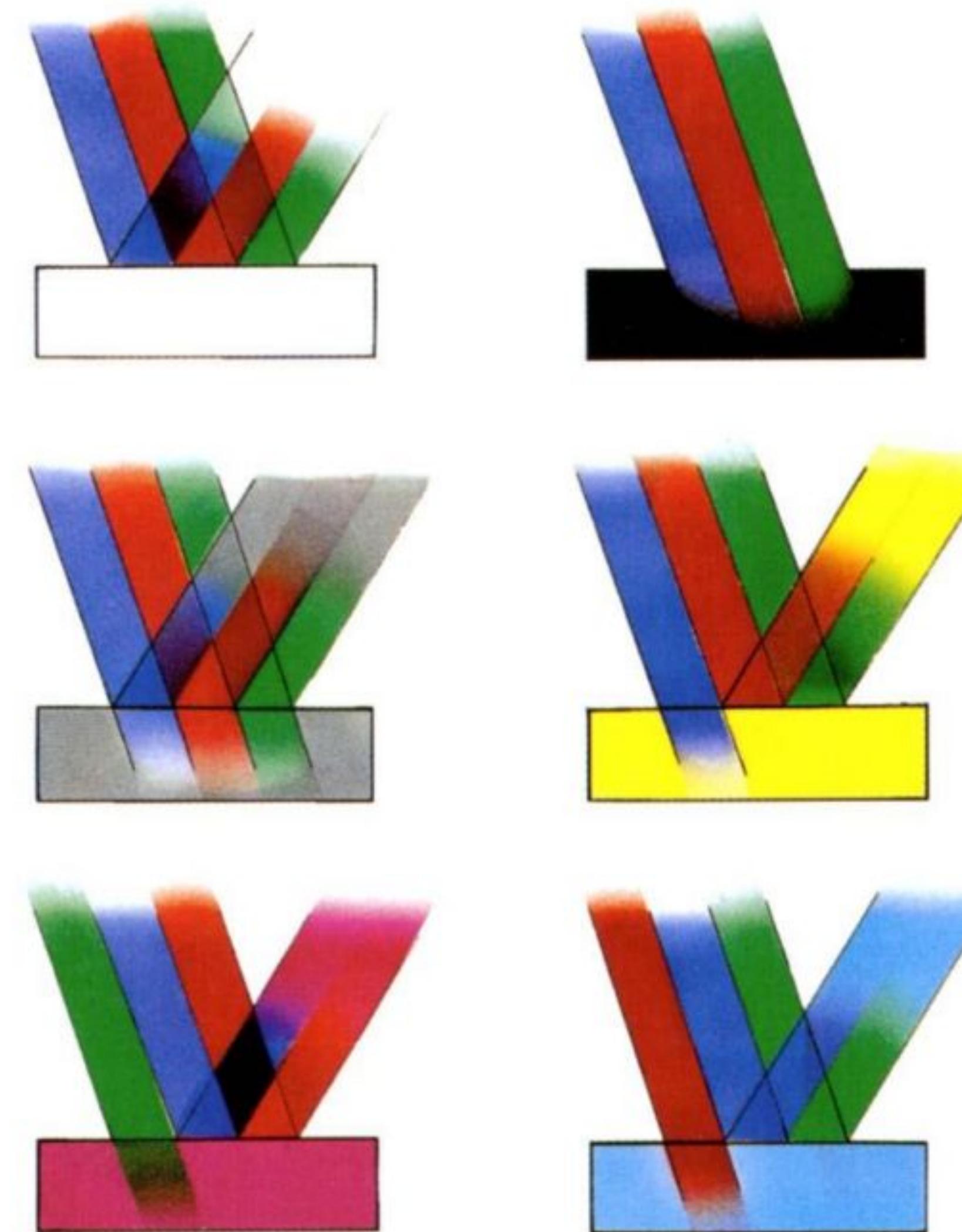
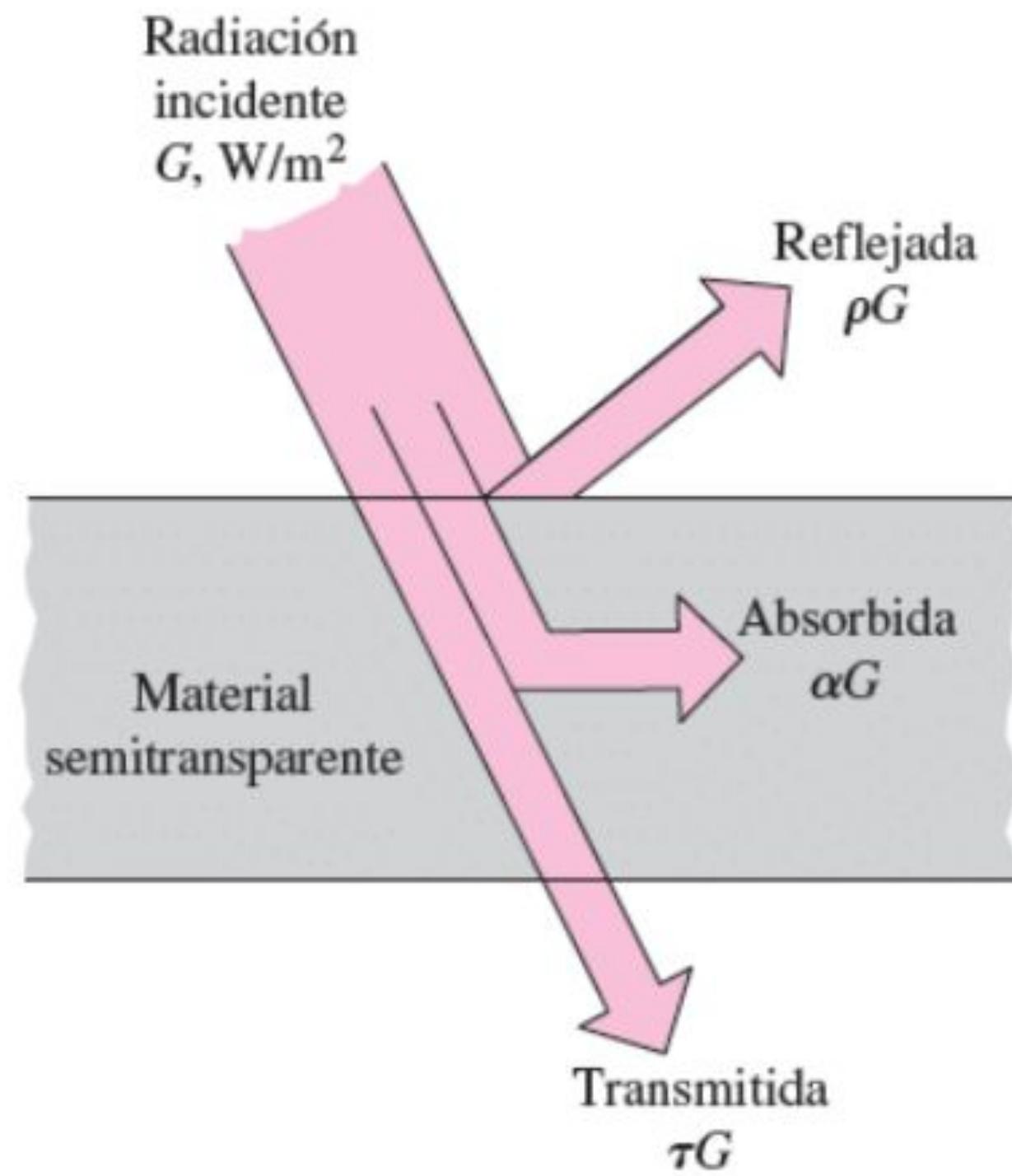
Remote Sensing *(optical)*

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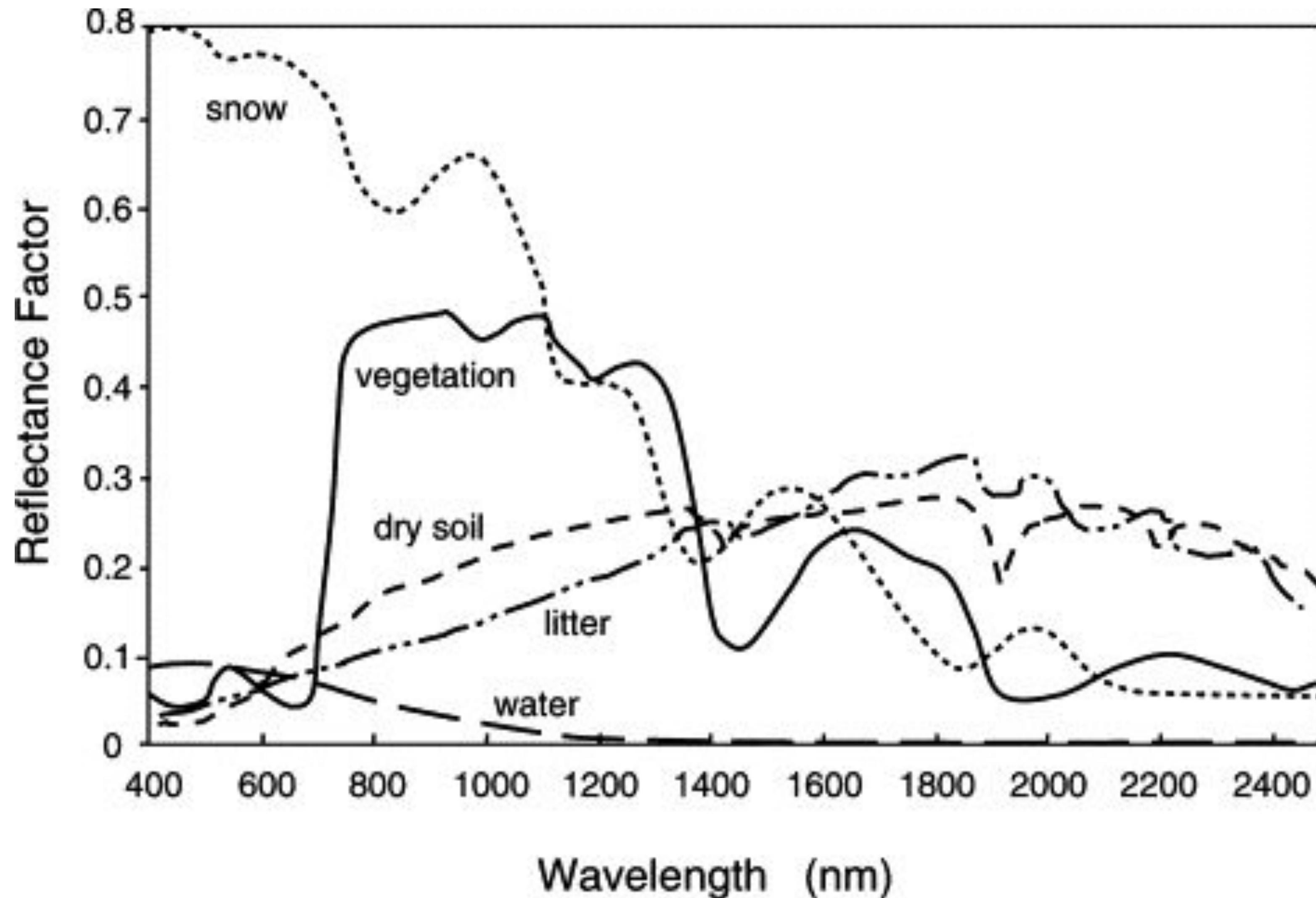
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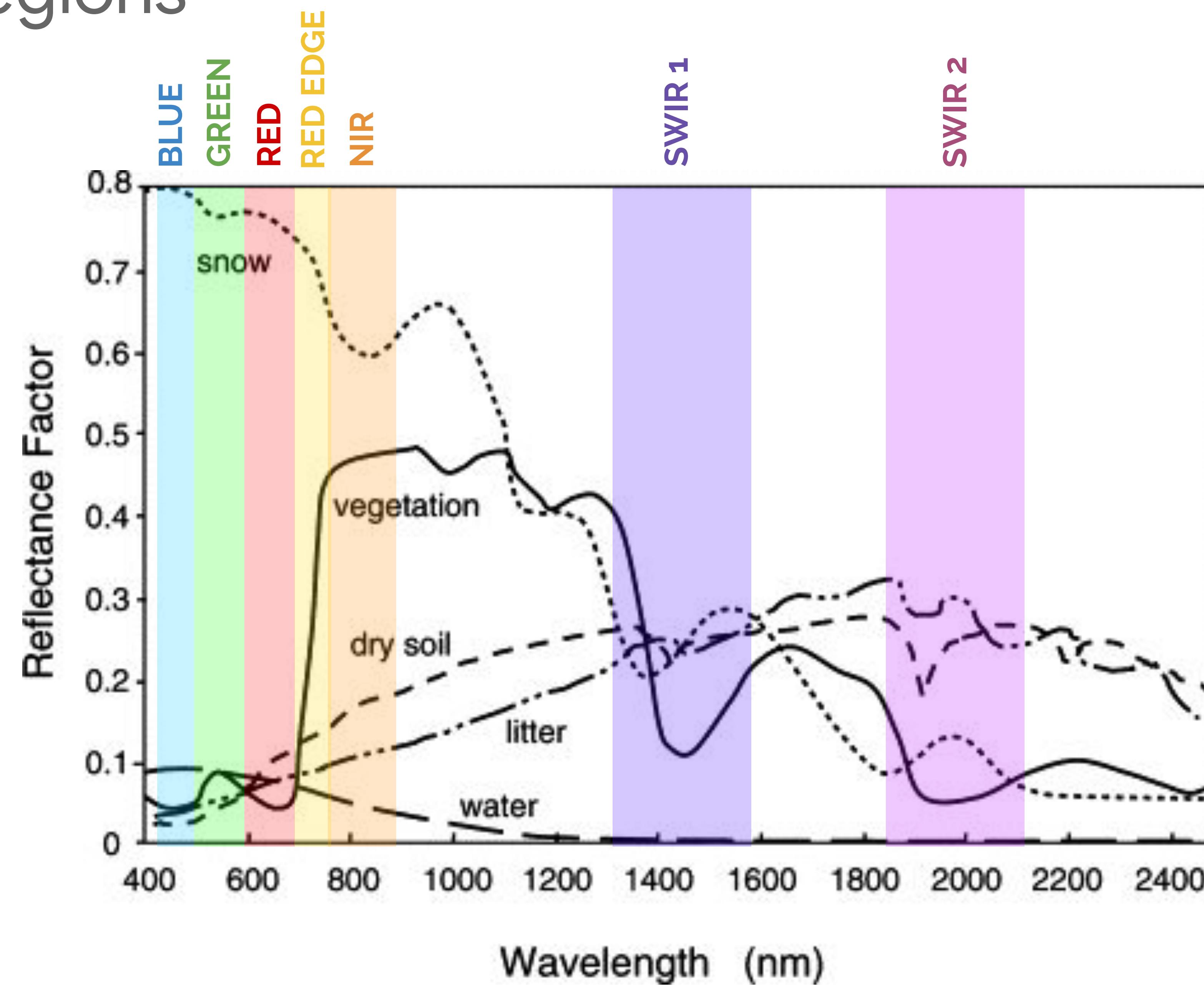
Interacting with **radiation**



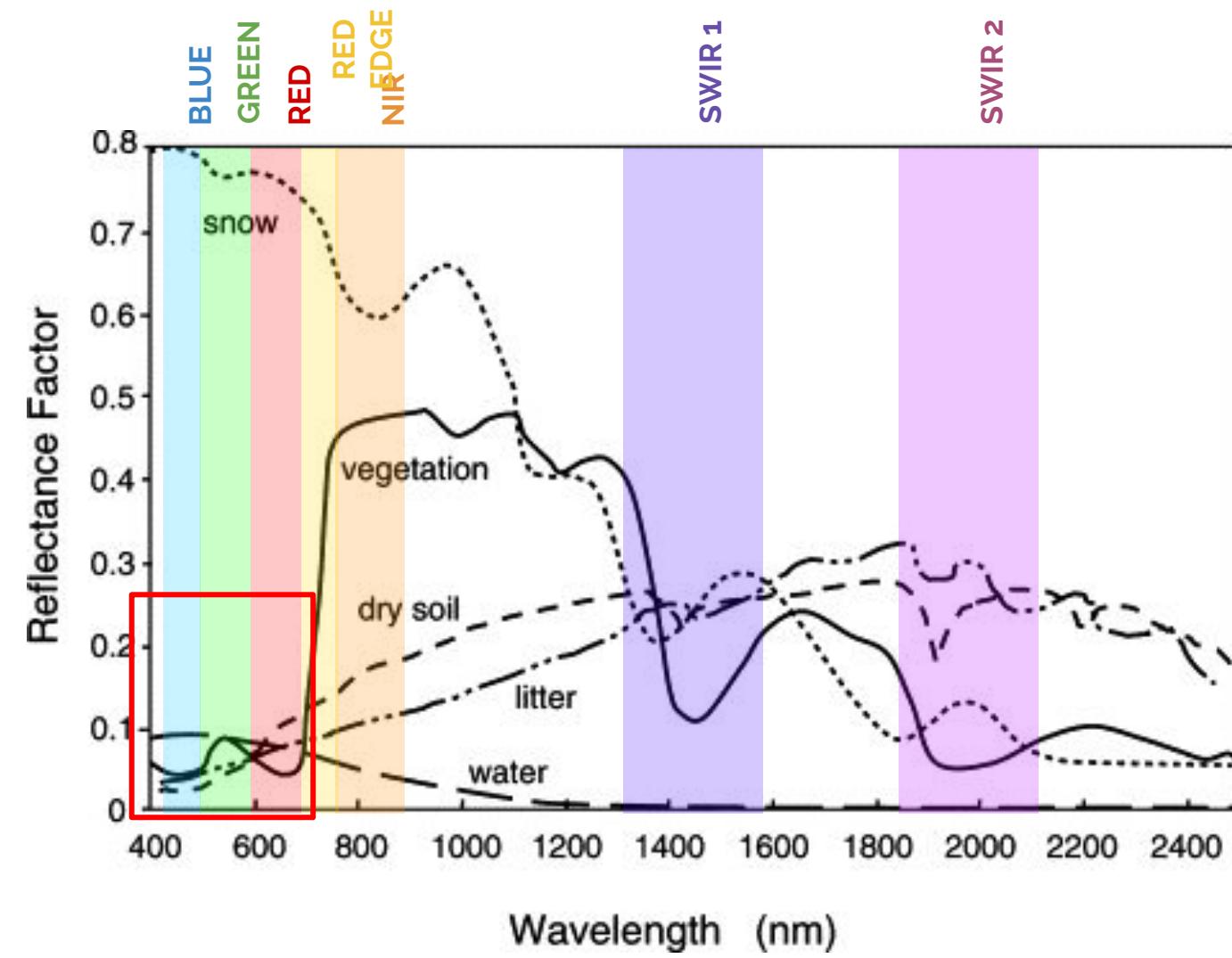
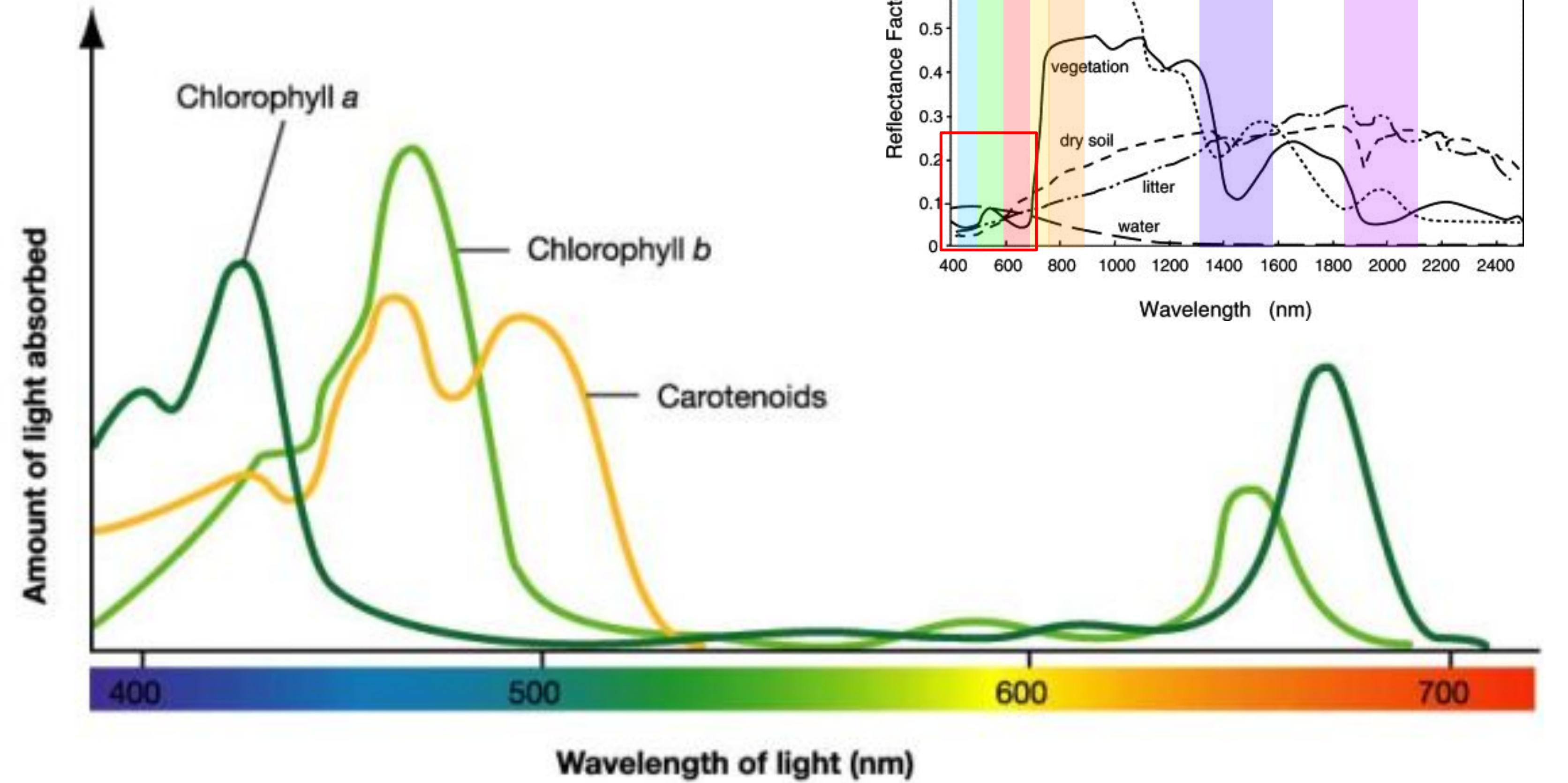
Spectral signature



Broader regions

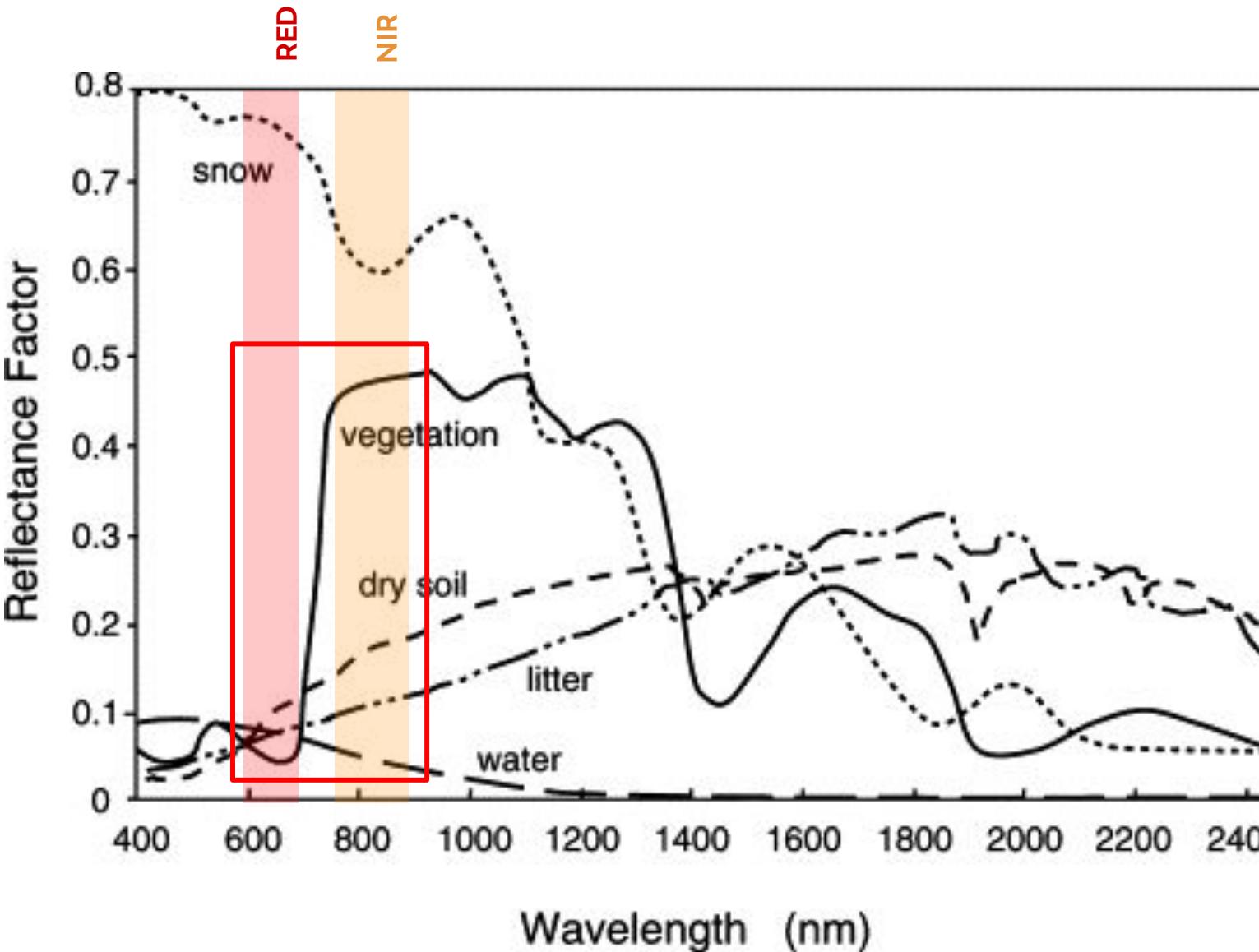


Pigments and photosynthesis



Spectral indices

$$\text{NDVI} = \frac{(\text{NIR} - \text{RED})}{(\text{NIR} + \text{RED})}$$



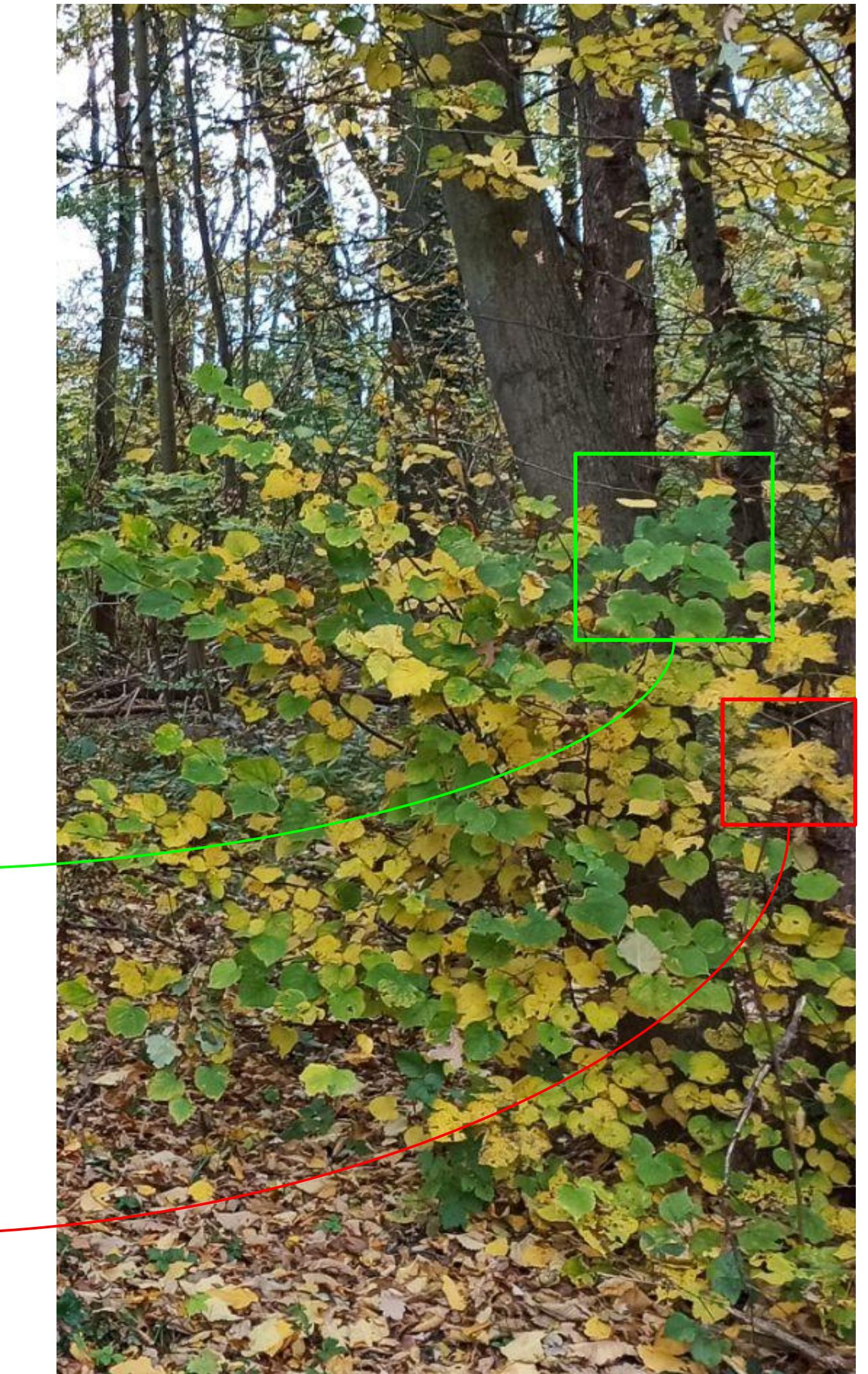
NDVI = 0.75

$$\text{NIR} = 0.50$$
$$\text{RED} = 0.07$$

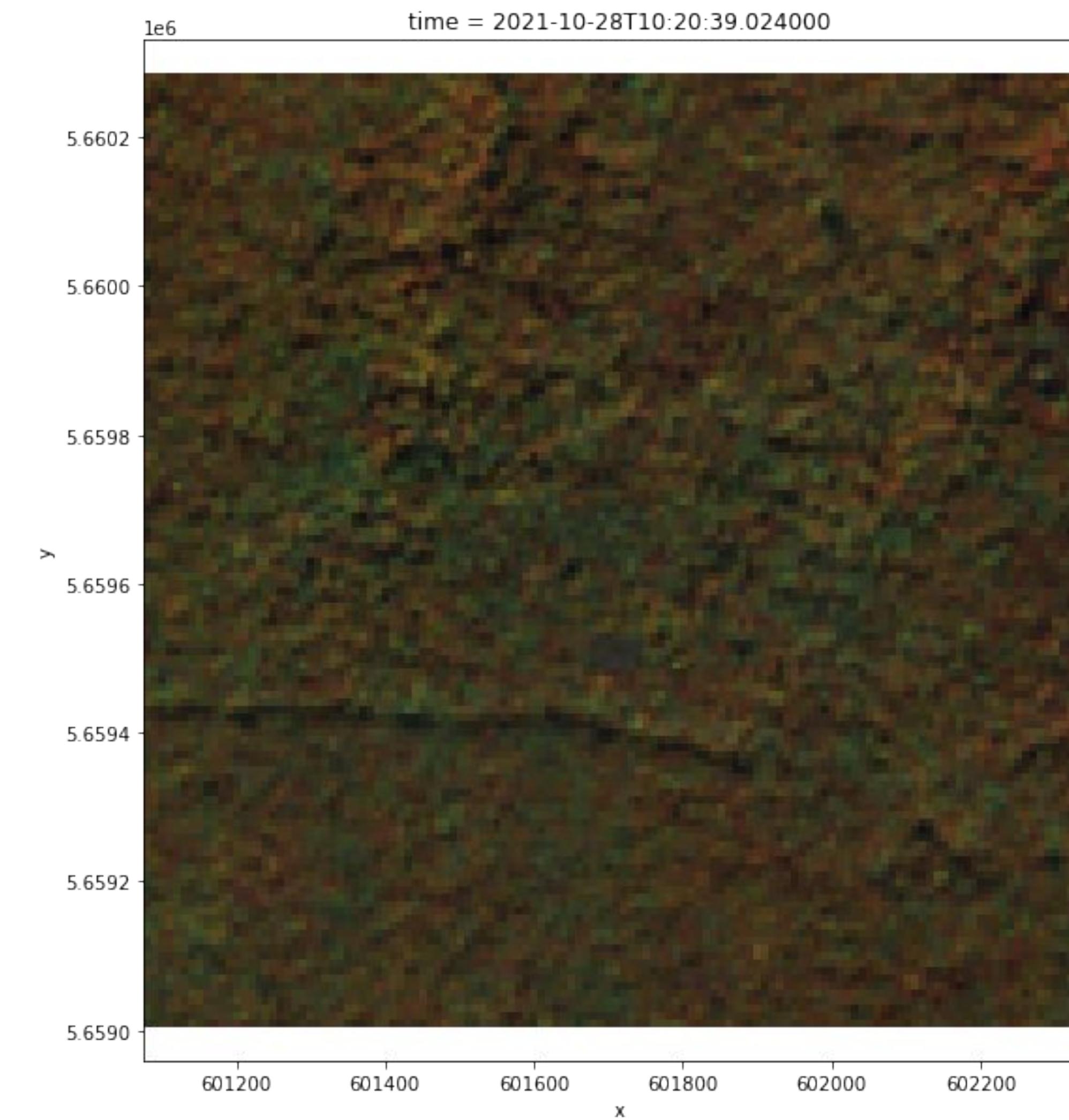
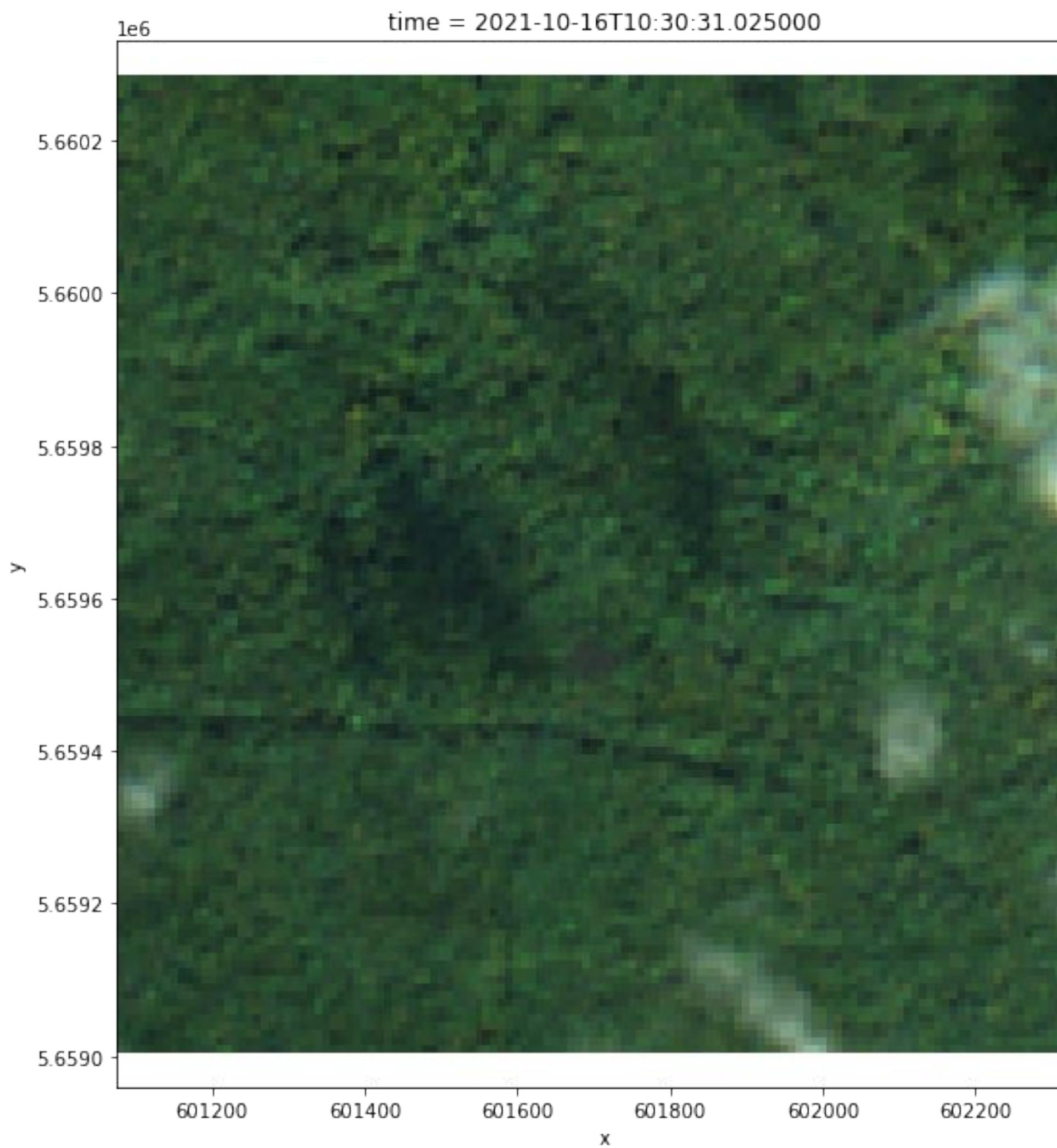


NDVI = 0.31

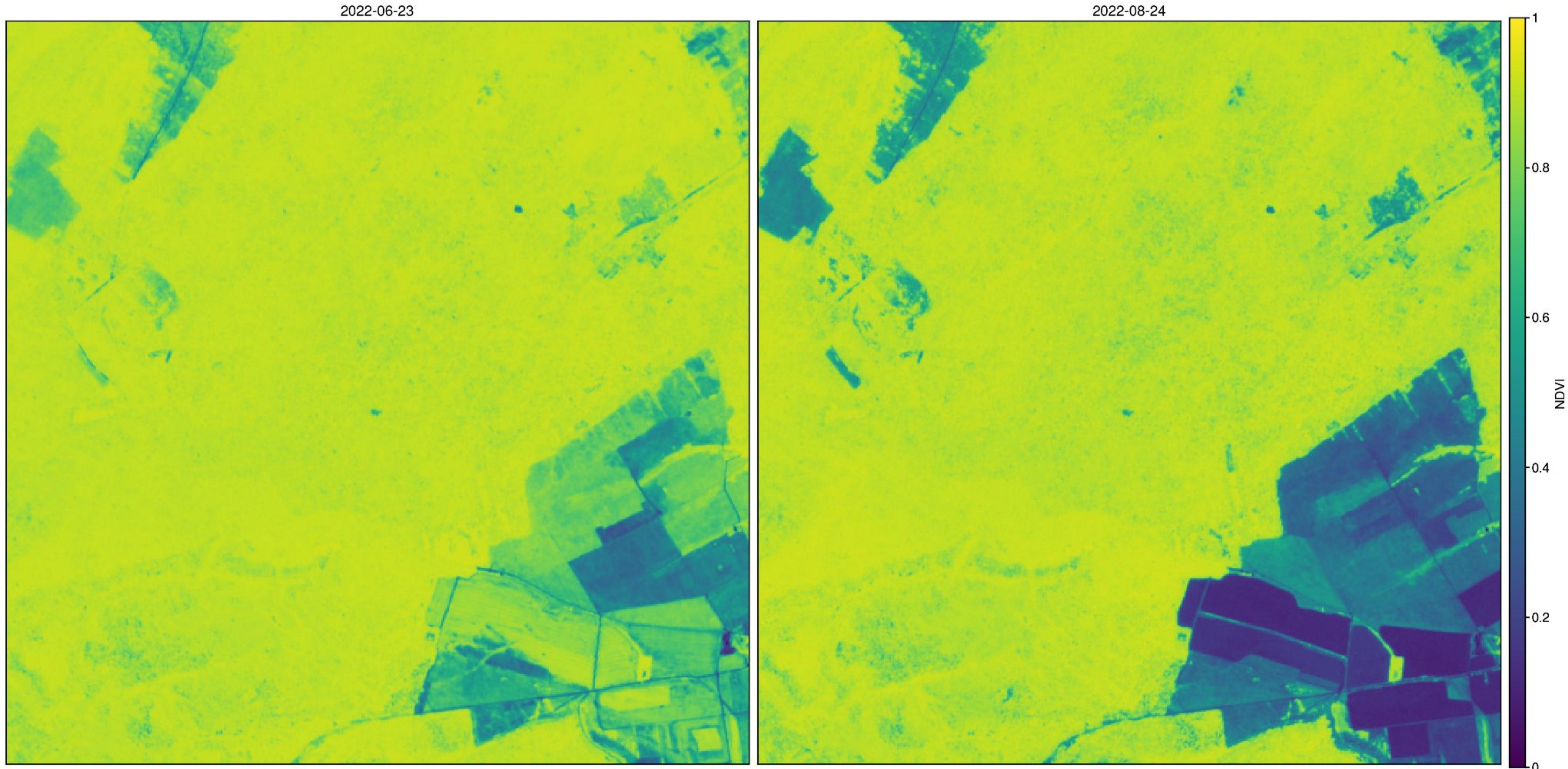
$$\text{NIR} = 0.48$$
$$\text{RED} = 0.25$$



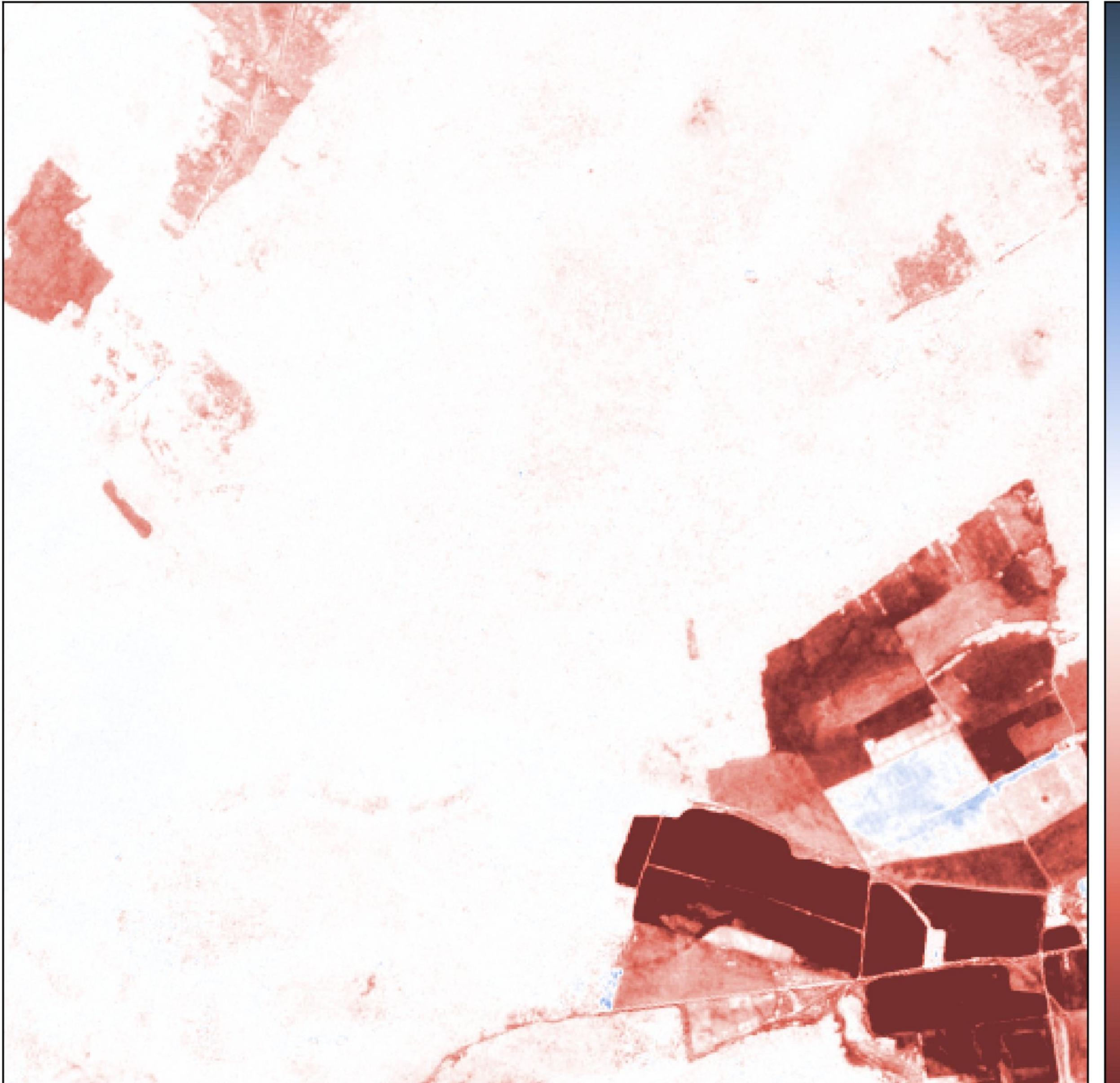
From satellite imagery



NDVI: Normalized Difference Vegetation Index

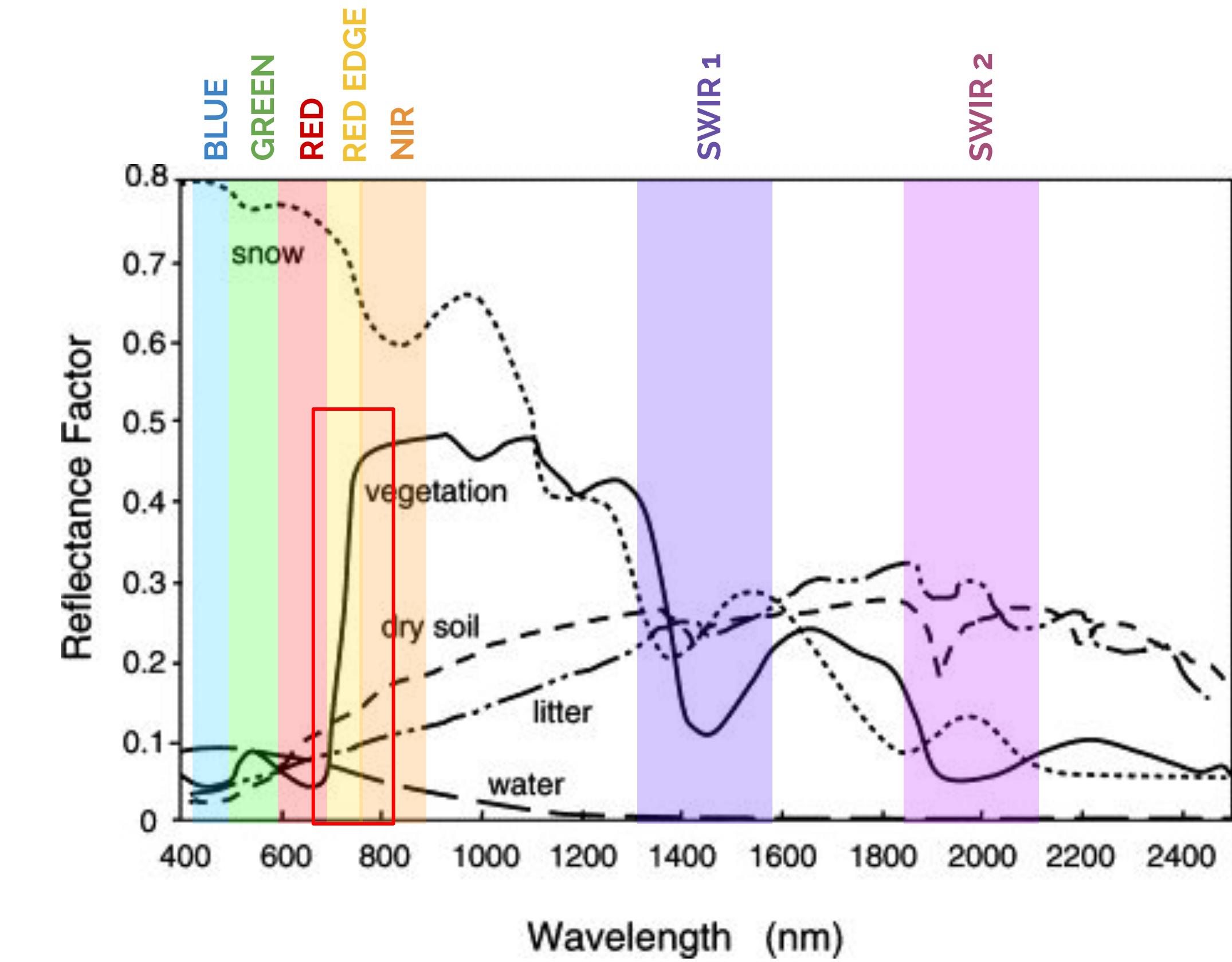
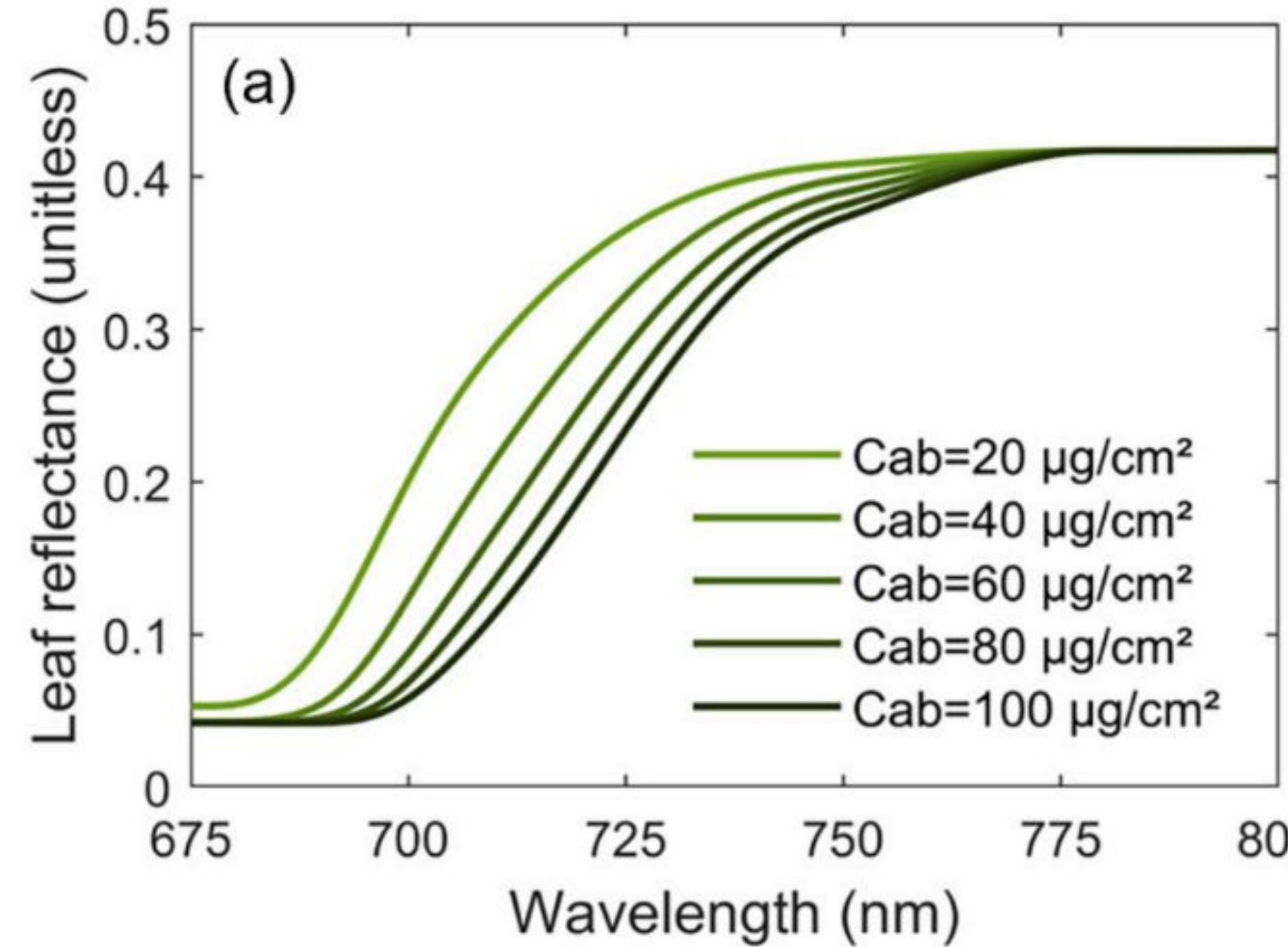


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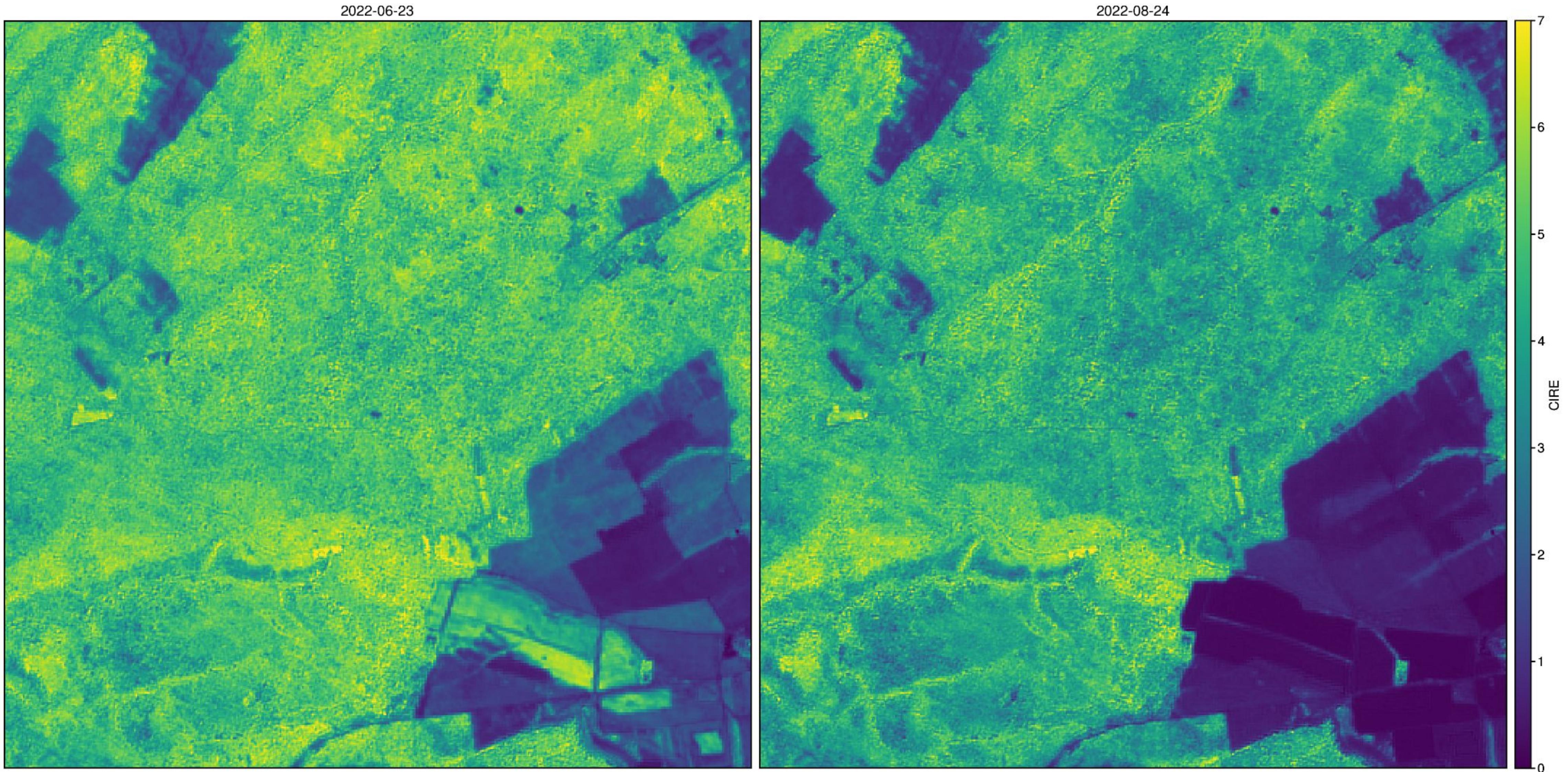


NDVI is usually saturated, this is why we see no great differences between both dates.

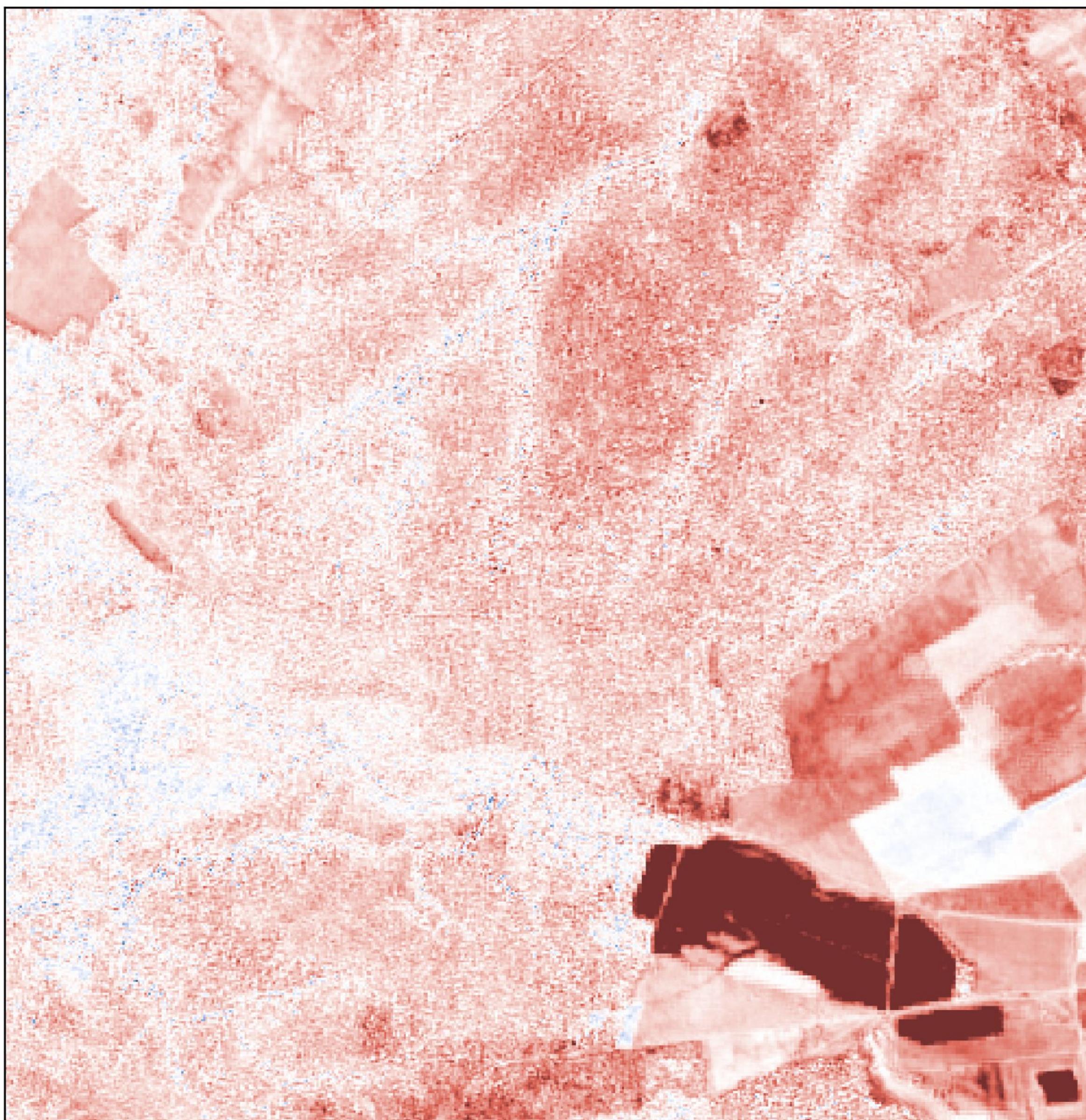
Pushing the slope further into NIR: Red Edge



CIRE: Chlorophyll Index Red Edge



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CIRE is another chlorophyll-related index. Its behaviour is close to the IRECI's behaviour.

Spectral Indices

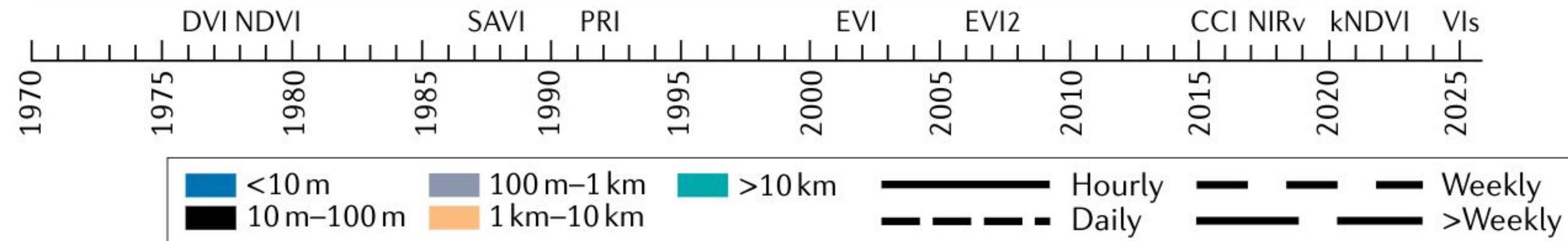


Table 1 | Selected widely used optical vegetation indices, spectral ranges and references

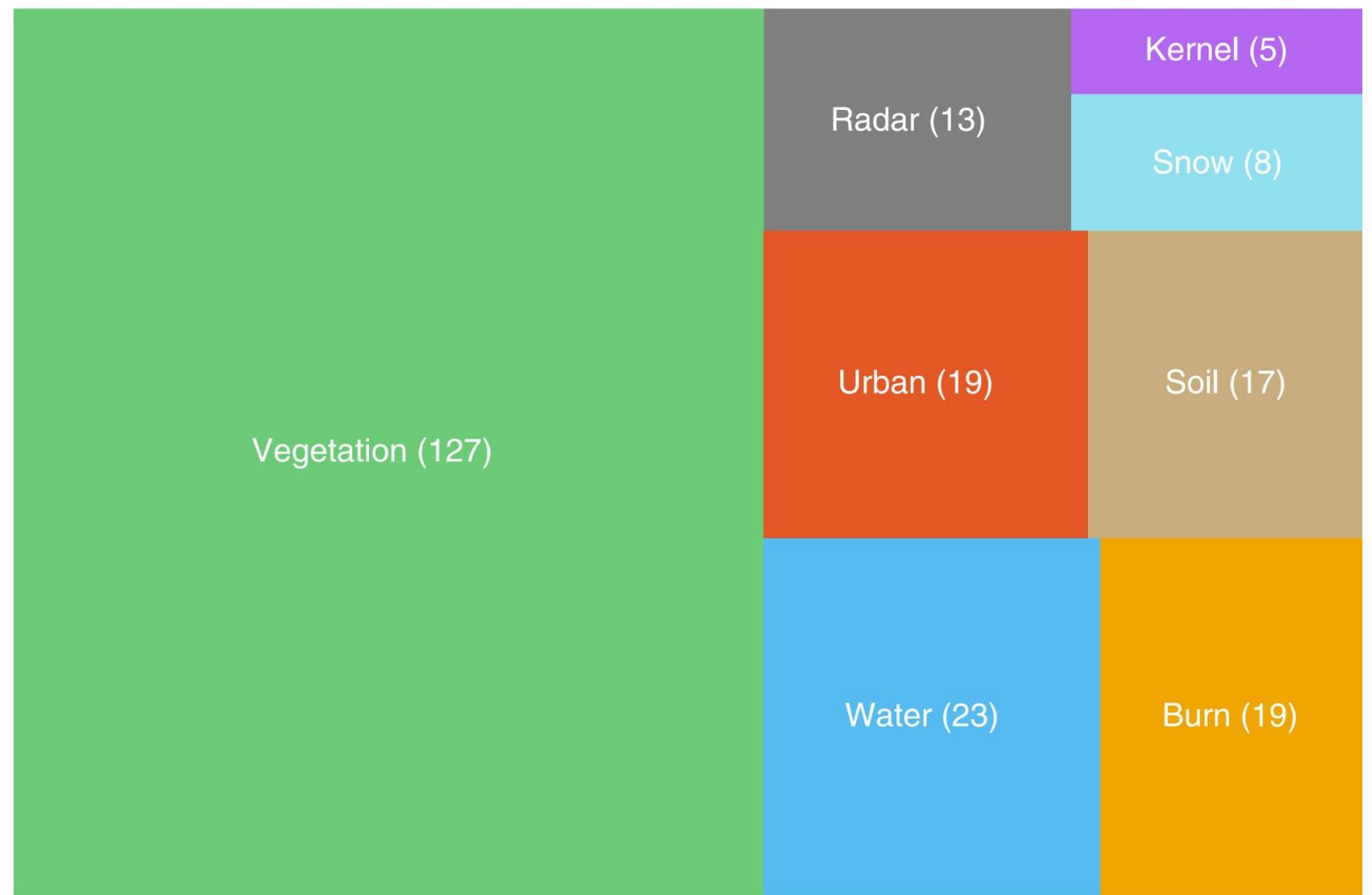
Name	Abbreviation	Equation and derivation	Primary applications, advantages and disadvantages
Red–NIR			
Simple ratio ¹⁴	SR	NIR/Red	Structure; simple, but sensitive to the red band atmospheric correction
Normalized difference vegetation index ^{14–16}	NDVI	$(\text{NIR} - \text{Red}) / (\text{NIR} + \text{Red})$ = $(\text{SR} - 1) / (\text{SR} + 1)$ = $1 - 2 / (\text{SR} + 1)$	Structure; simple, but sensitive to soil background variations
Modified simple ratio ²²	MSR	$\frac{\text{NIR}/\text{Red} - 1}{\sqrt{\text{NIR}/\text{Red} + 1}}$	Structure; relatively linear relationship with canopy structure parameters, but with small sensitivity to overstory vegetation
Difference vegetation index ¹⁹	DVI	NIR–Red	Structure; simple, but sensitive to the BRDF effect
Perpendicular vegetation index ¹⁹	PVI	$\sqrt{(\text{NIR}_{\text{soil}} - \text{NIR}_{\text{veg}})^2 + (\text{Red}_{\text{soil}} - \text{Red}_{\text{veg}})^2}$	Structure; minimizes soil background influence, but requires the slope and intercept of the soil line
Soil-adjusted vegetation index ⁴	SAVI	$(1 + L) \cdot (\text{NIR} - \text{Red}) / (\text{NIR} + \text{Red} + L)$	Structure; minimizes soil background influence, but sensitive to the BRDF effect
Two-band version of the enhanced vegetation index (EVI) without the blue band ²⁷	EVI2	$2.5 \cdot (\text{NIR} - \text{Red}) / (\text{NIR} + 2.4 \cdot \text{Red} + 1)$	Structure; minimizes soil background influence and no blue band requirement, but sensitive to the BRDF effect
Near-infrared reflectance of vegetation ⁵	NIRv	$\text{NDVI} \cdot \text{NIR}$	Structure; minimizes soil background influence, but sensitive to the BRDF effect
Hyperspectral near-infrared reflectance of vegetation ¹⁶⁰	NIRvH	$\text{NIR} - \text{Red} - k(\lambda_{\text{NIR}} - \lambda_{\text{Red}})$	Structure; minimizes soil background influence stronger than NIRv, but sensitive to the BRDF effect
Kernel normalized difference vegetation index ³¹	kNDVI	$\tanh(\text{NDVI}^2)$	Structure; higher sensitivity to canopy structural parameters and GPP
Plant phenology index ²⁸	PPI	$-K \cdot \ln\left(\frac{M - \text{DVI}}{M - \text{DVIs}}\right)$	Structure; linearly related to green LAI, less severely impacted by snow than NDVI and EVI, and works well for phenology at high latitudes; requires soil DVI

VIS–NIR			
Enhanced vegetation index ²⁵	EVI	$2.5 \cdot (\text{NIR} - \text{Red}) / (\text{NIR} + 6 \cdot \text{Red} - 7.5 \cdot \text{Blue} + 1)$	Structure; minimizes both soil and atmospheric effects, but sensitive to the BRDF effect and requires the blue band
Fluorescence correction vegetation index ²⁹	FCVI	NIR–VIS	Structure; minimizes soil background influence, but sensitive to the BRDF effect
VIS			
Photochemical reflectance index ⁴⁹	PRI	$(R_{531} - R_{570}) / (R_{531} + R_{570})$	Physiological; tracks the diurnal changes of photosynthetic activity, but complications associated with diurnal sun angle changes must be reduced
Chlorophyll/carotenoid index ⁶	CCI	$\frac{\text{Band}_{11} - \text{Band}_1}{\text{Band}_{11} + \text{Band}_1}$ for MODIS sensor	Physiological and biochemical; tracks the seasonality of daily GPP and phenology for evergreen conifers at multiple spatial scales
Green chromatic coordinate ^{50,189}	GCC	Green/(Red + Green + Blue)	Physiological; structure; biochemical; sensitive to changes in both carotenoid and chlorophyll, correlates well with GPP seasonality but less so to CCI and PRI, and can be easily acquired using RGB imagery
Red-edge NIR			
Red-edge chlorophyll index ³³	Cred-edge	NIR/RE – 1	Biochemical: chlorophyll; linear relationship between the chlorophyll content in maize and soybean leaves with Cred-edge
Red-edge NDVI ³⁴	NDVlre	$(\text{NIR} - \text{RE}) / (\text{NIR} + \text{RE})$	Biochemical: chlorophyll; directly proportional to chlorophyll and indicates leaf senescence
MERIS total chlorophyll index ³⁵	MTCI	$(R_{750} - R_{710}) / (R_{710} - R_{680})$	Biochemical: chlorophyll; correlates strongly with red-edge position and is sensitive to high values of chlorophyll content

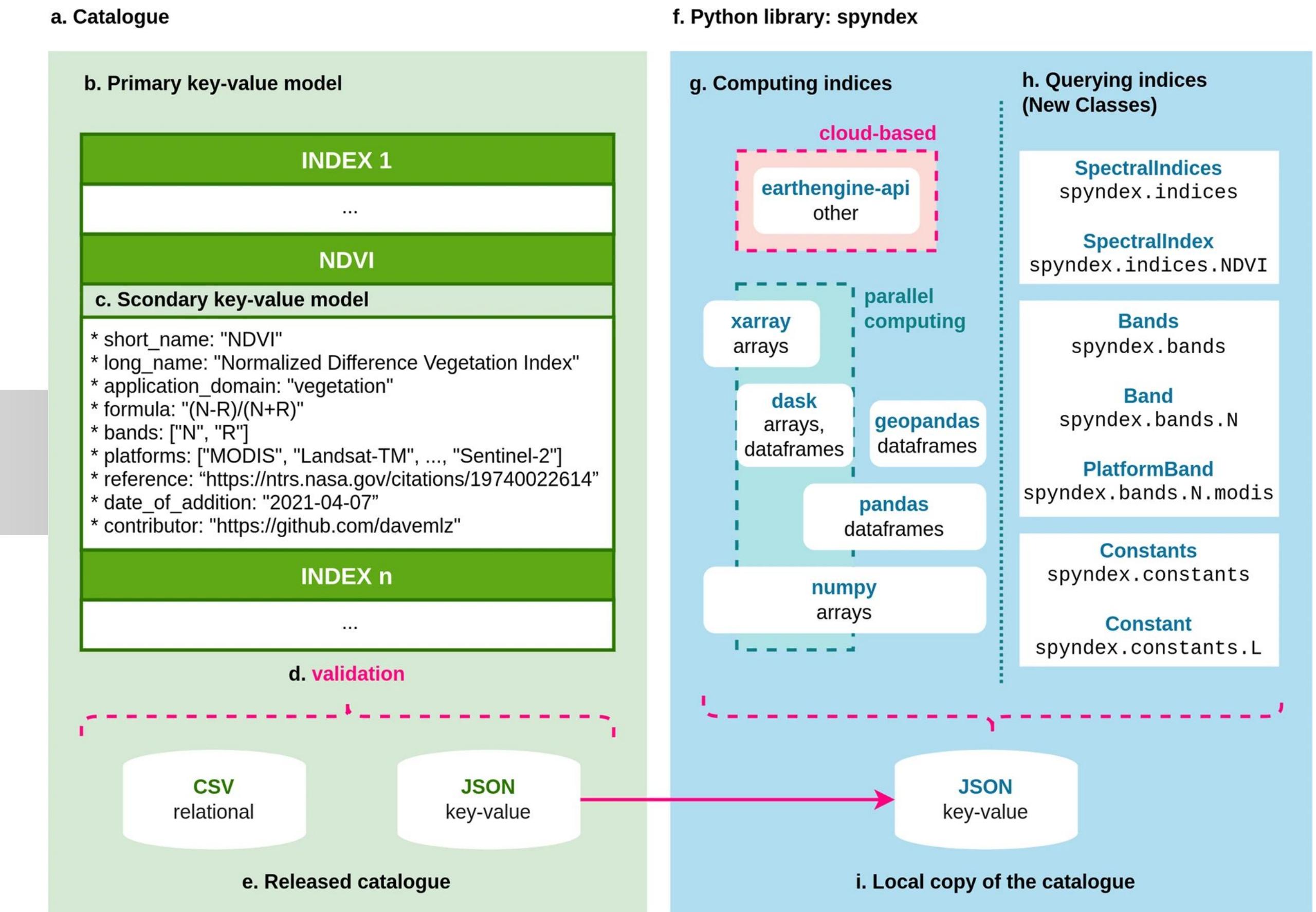
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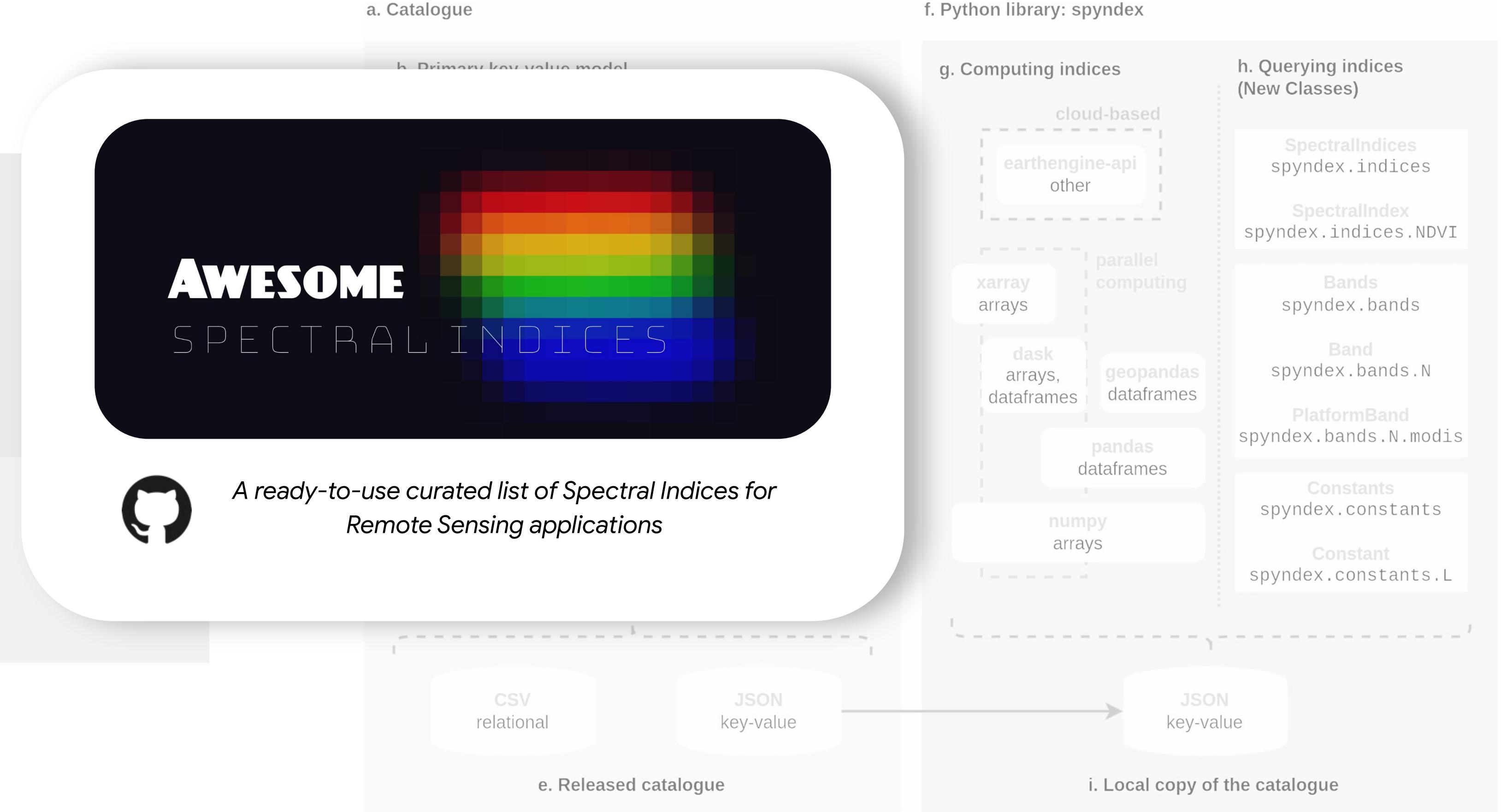
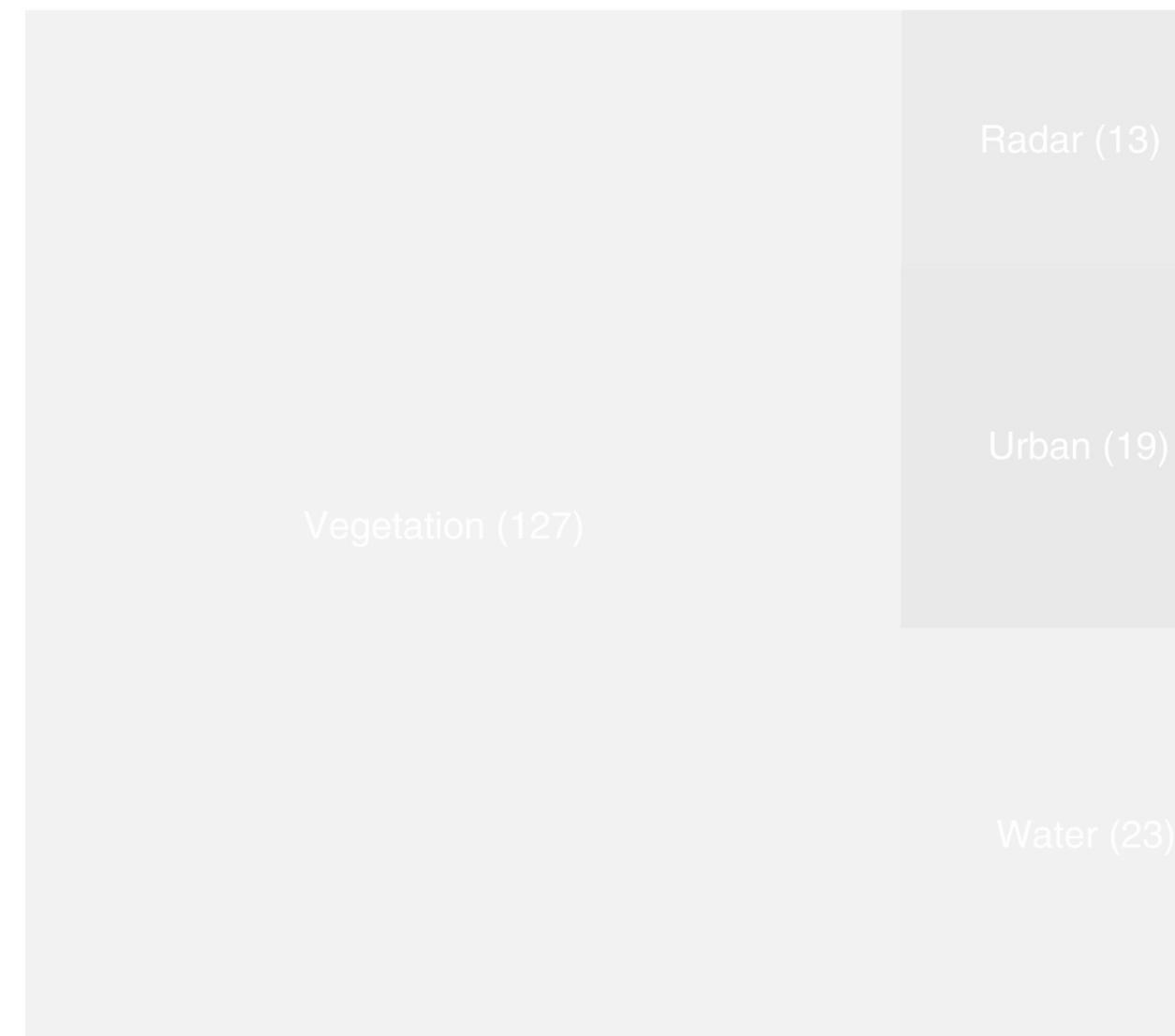
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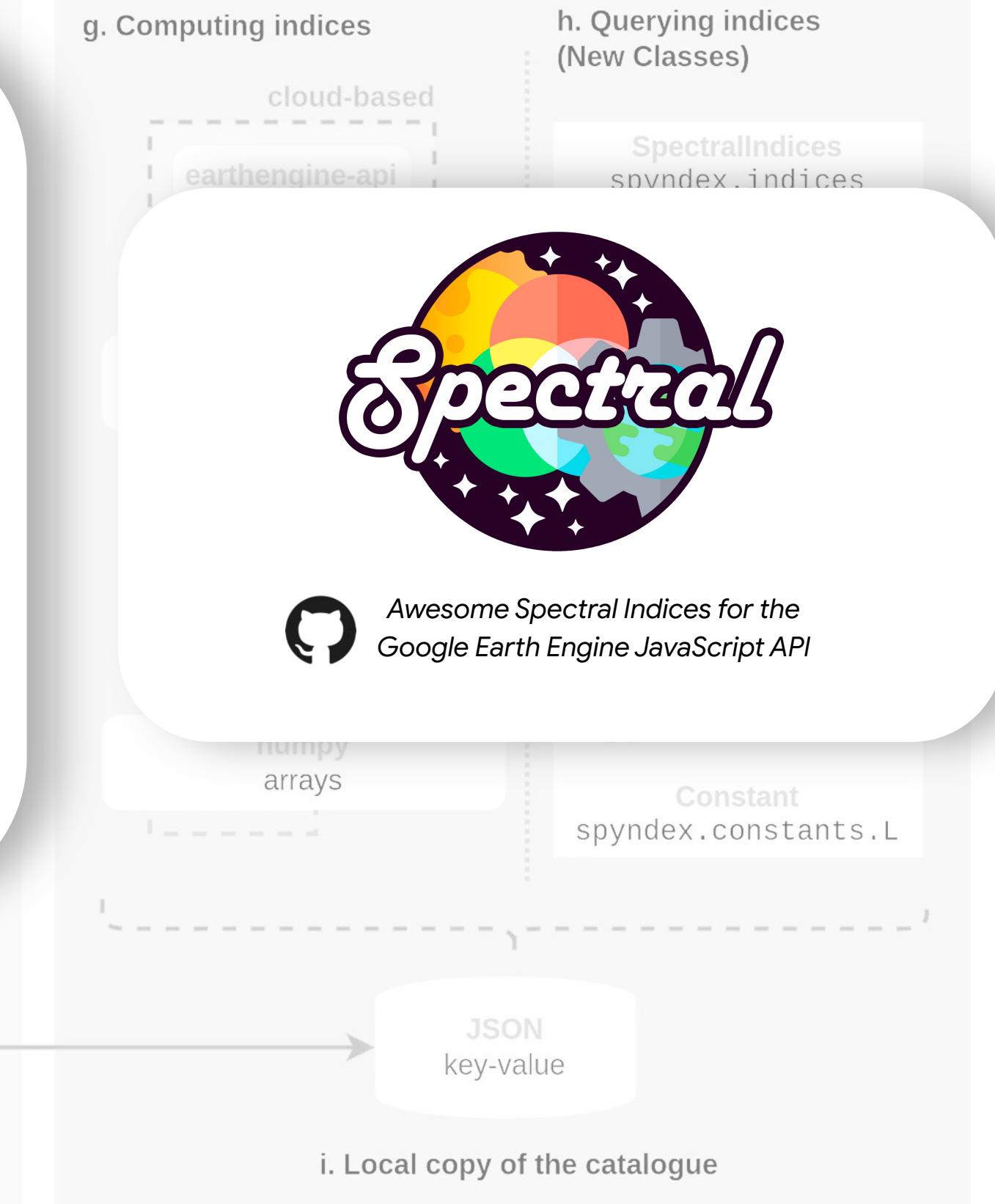
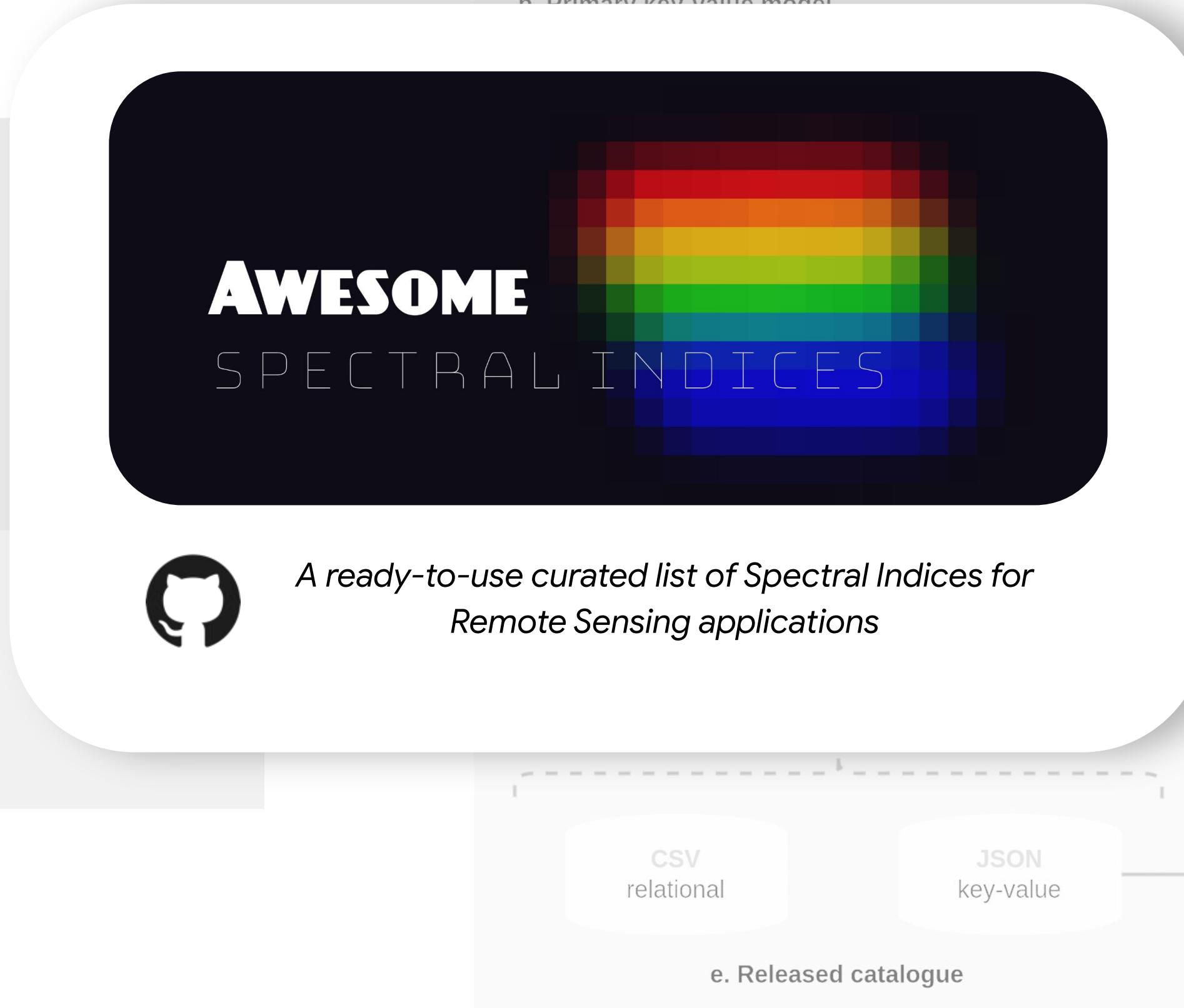
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A standardized catalogue of spectral indices to advance the use of remote sensing in Earth system research

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i. Local copy of the catalogue

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SPECTRAL: AWESOME SPECTRAL INDICES DEPLOYED VIA THE GOOGLE EARTH ENGINE JAVASCRIPT API

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Abstract. Spectral Indices derived from Remote Sensing (RS) data are widely used for characterizing Earth System dynamics. The increasing amount of spectral indices led to the creation of spectral indices catalogues, such as the Awesome Spectral Indices (ASI) ecosystem. Google Earth Engine (GEE) is a cloud-based geospatial processing service with an Application Programming Interface (API) that is accessible through JavaScript (Code Editor) and Python. Tools for computing indices, including raster operations, normalized differences, and expression evaluation methods have been developed in the API. However, users still have to hard-code spectral indices for the JavaScript library since there are no implementations that link catalogues of spectral indices to the Code Editor. Here we present *spectral*, a module that links the Awesome Spectral Indices (ASI) catalogue to GEE for querying and computing spectral indices inside the Code Editor. The module allows accessing and computing spectral indices from the catalogue for multiple remote sensing products in GEE. All indices can be queried by using a key-value model and computed by using a single method. The module demonstrates that spectral indices can be easily computed inside the Code Editor. Image and Image Collection objects can be used for the calculation of all spectral indices in the catalogue if the specific dataset counts with the required bands. We anticipate that *spectral* will be used by most GEE users for Earth System research. Analyses conducted by the community will be sped up by avoiding hard-coding and RS investigations will be boosted.

Sentinel-2 (2015 - now) - 5 days



Name	Units	Min	Max	Scale	Pixel Size	Wavelength	Description
B1				0.0001	60 meters	443.9nm (S2A) / 442.3nm (S2B)	Aerosols
B2				0.0001	10 meters	496.6nm (S2A) / 492.1nm (S2B)	Blue
B3				0.0001	10 meters	560nm (S2A) / 559nm (S2B)	Green
B4				0.0001	10 meters	664.5nm (S2A) / 665nm (S2B)	Red
B5				0.0001	20 meters	703.9nm (S2A) / 703.8nm (S2B)	Red Edge 1
B6				0.0001	20 meters	740.2nm (S2A) / 739.1nm (S2B)	Red Edge 2
B7				0.0001	20 meters	782.5nm (S2A) / 779.7nm (S2B)	Red Edge 3
B8				0.0001	10 meters	835.1nm (S2A) / 833nm (S2B)	NIR
B8A				0.0001	20 meters	864.8nm (S2A) / 864nm (S2B)	Red Edge 4
B9				0.0001	60 meters	945nm (S2A) / 943.2nm (S2B)	Water vapor
B11				0.0001	20 meters	1613.7nm (S2A) / 1610.4nm (S2B)	SWIR 1
B12				0.0001	20 meters	2202.4nm (S2A) / 2185.7nm (S2B)	SWIR 2

Landsat 8 (2013 - now) but could also be (1974 - now)! - 16 days



Resolution

30 meters

Bands

Name	Description
SR_B1	Band 1 (ultra blue, coastal aerosol) surface reflectance
SR_B2	Band 2 (blue) surface reflectance
SR_B3	Band 3 (green) surface reflectance
SR_B4	Band 4 (red) surface reflectance
SR_B5	Band 5 (near infrared) surface reflectance
SR_B6	Band 6 (shortwave infrared 1) surface reflectance
SR_B7	Band 7 (shortwave infrared 2) surface reflectance

MODIS (2000 - now) - daily

**Resolution**

500 meters

Bands

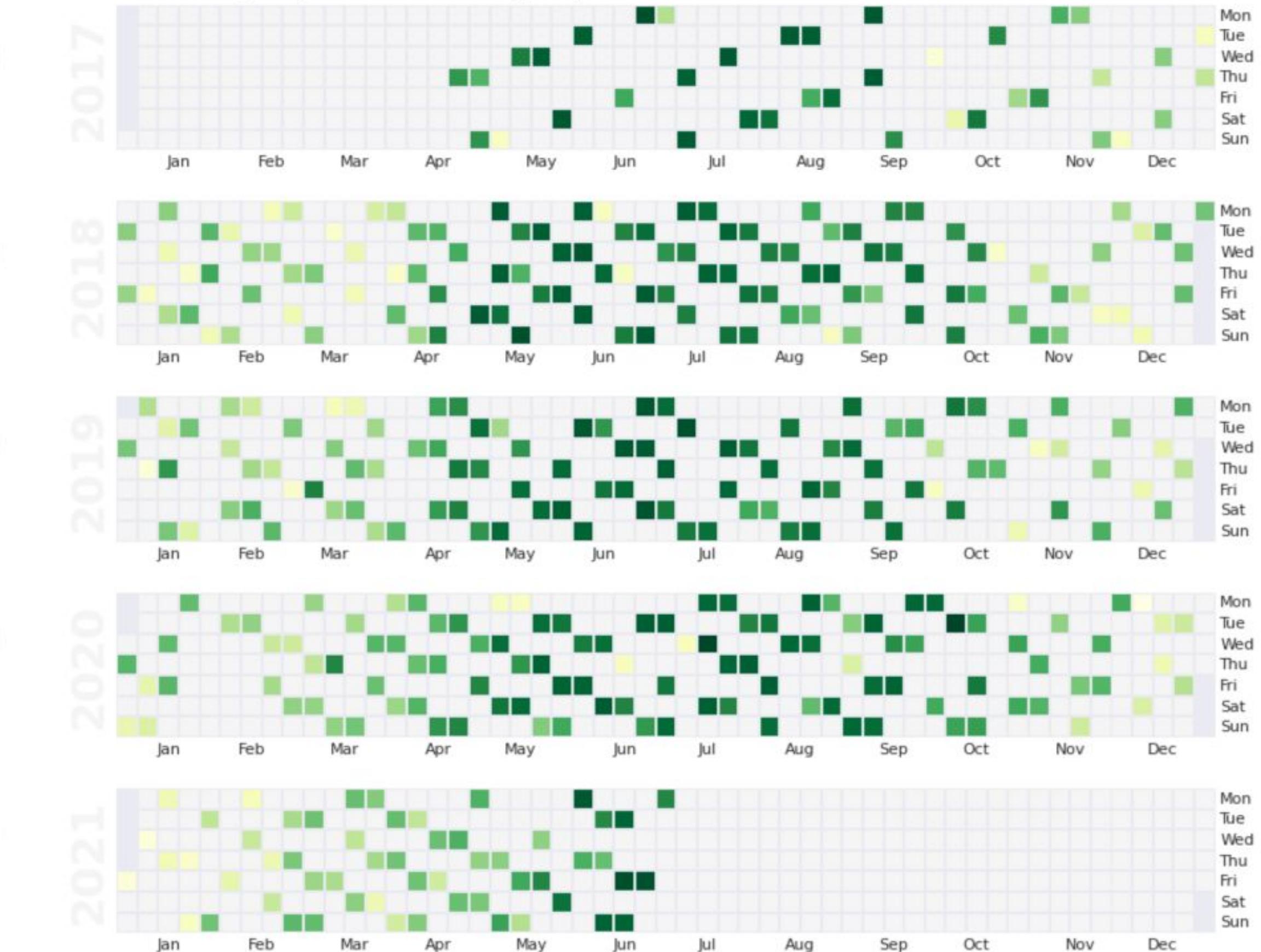
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Nadir_Reflectance_Band4	545-565nm	NBAR at local solar noon for band 4
Nadir_Reflectance_Band5	1230-1250nm	NBAR at local solar noon for band 5
Nadir_Reflectance_Band6	1628-1652nm	NBAR at local solar noon for band 6
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Revisit times matter

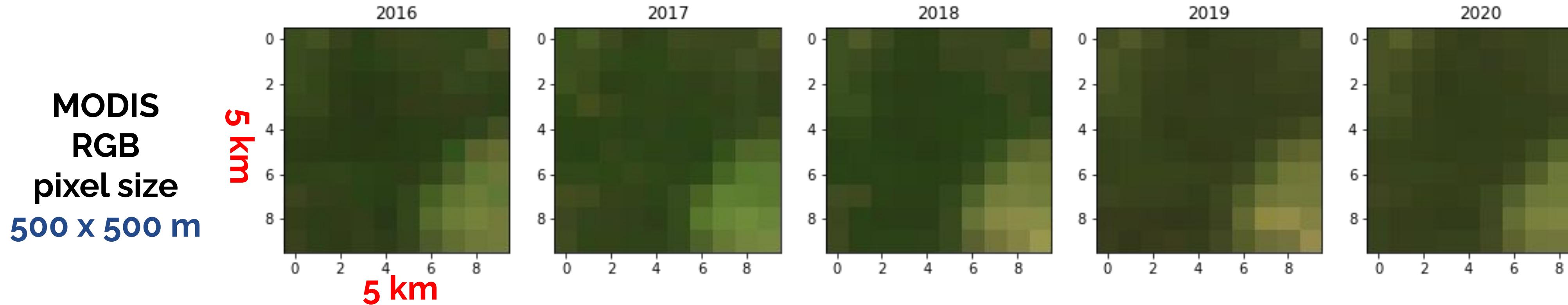
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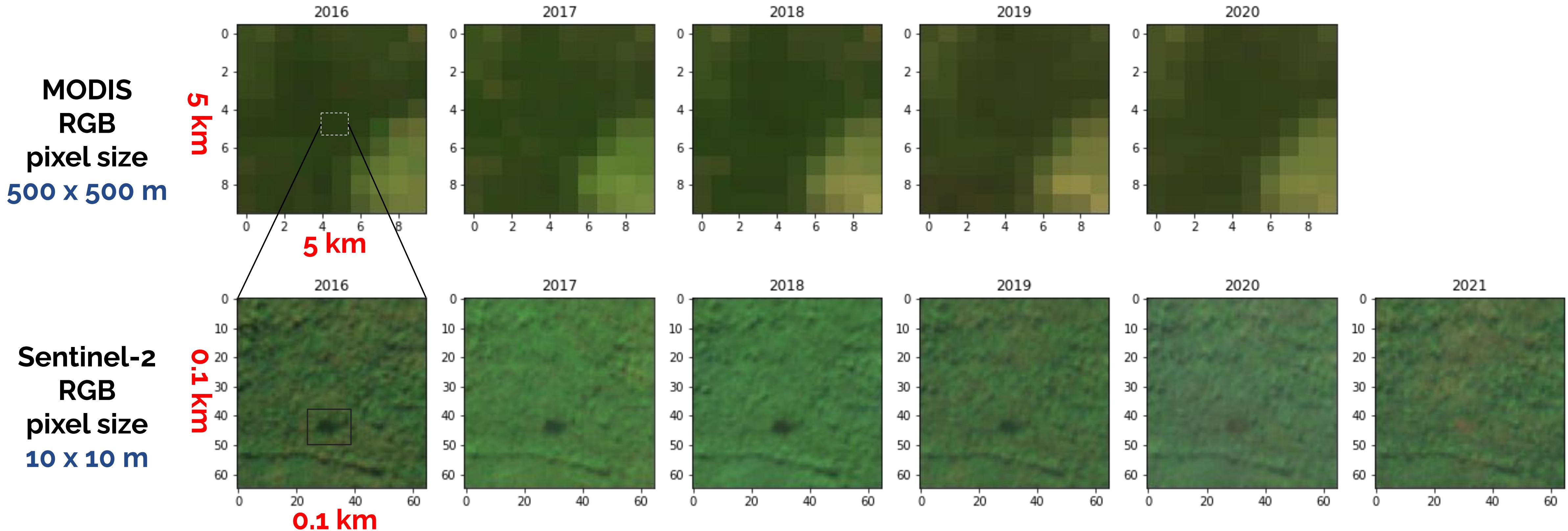
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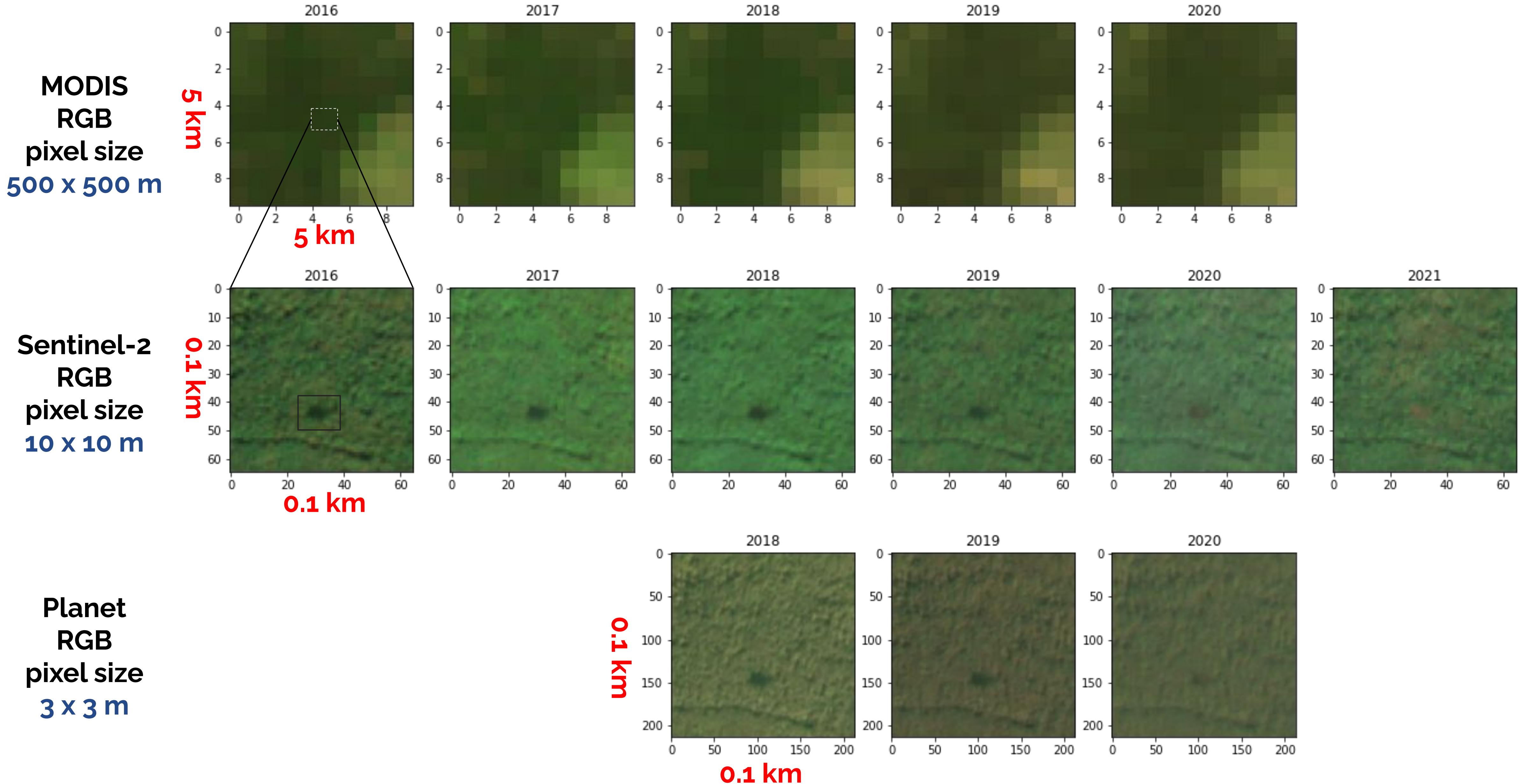
Tree mortality: Do you see the dead trees?



Spatial resolution matters here!



Do we need a super **high-resolution** image?



Second Chapter

Data management

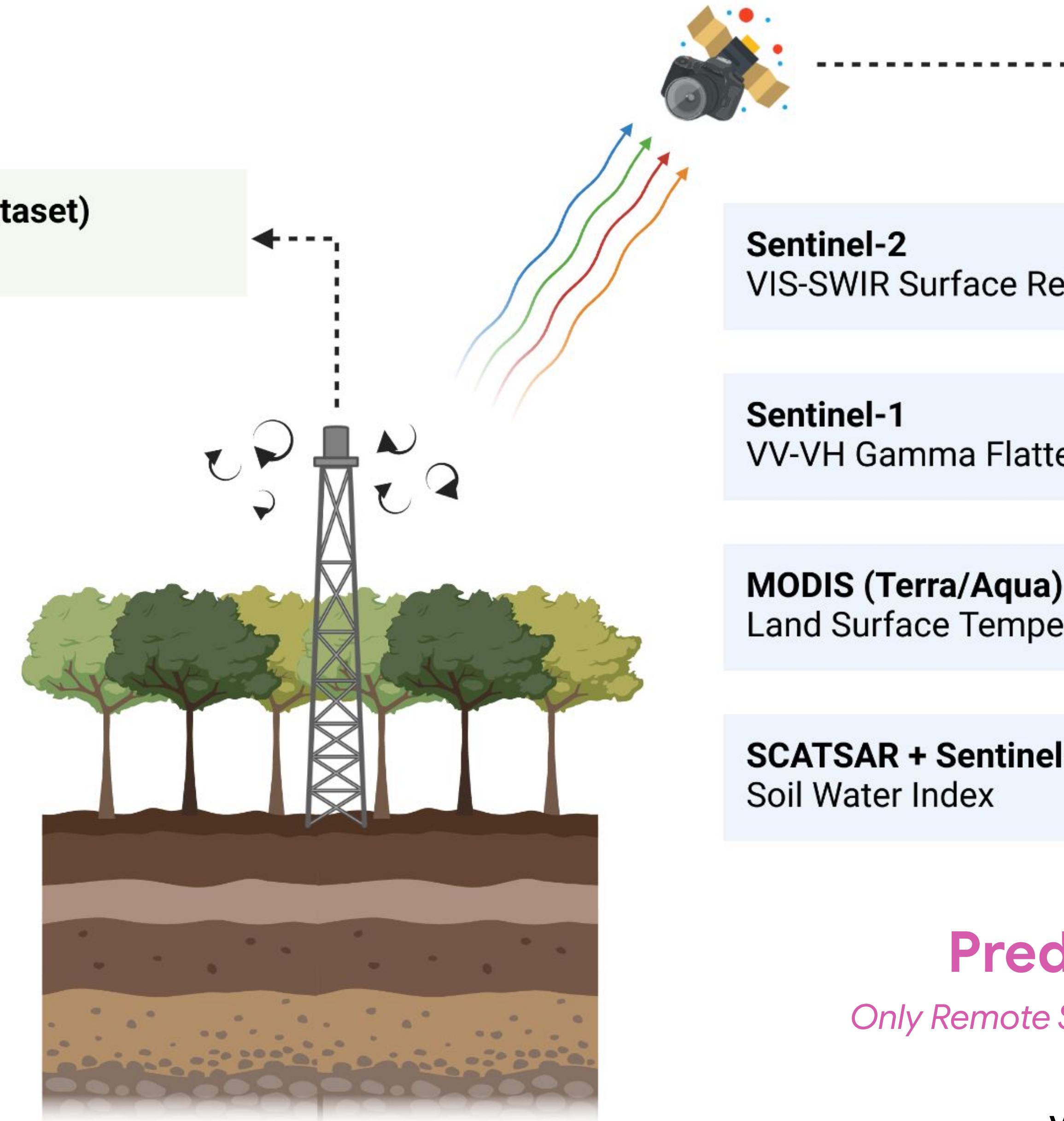
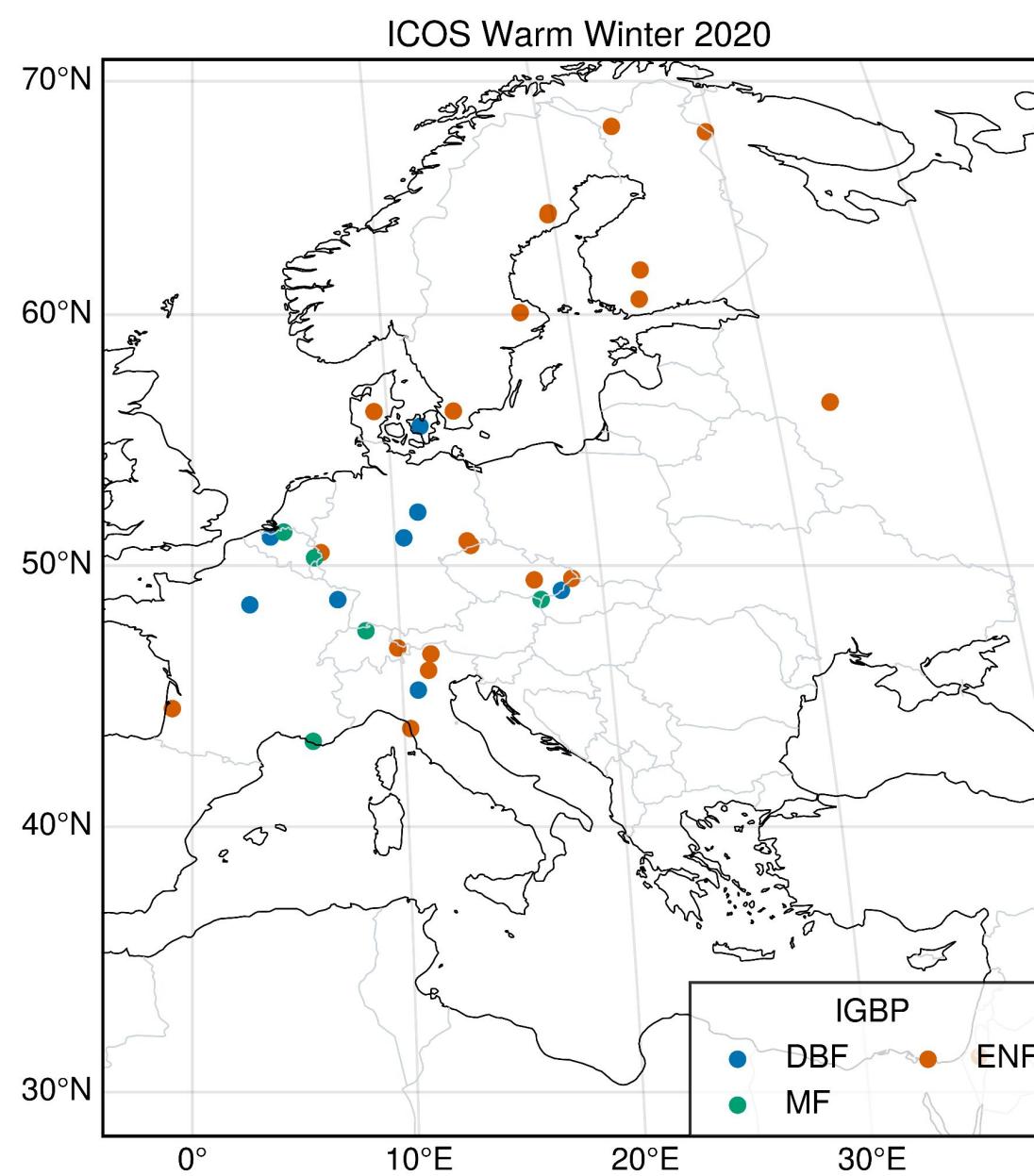
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Data gathering

Target

ICOS (2020 Warm Winter Dataset)
Daily GPP ($\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$)

Forests sites



Sentinel-2
VIS-SWIR Surface Reflectance

Sentinel-1
VV-VH Gamma Flattened Backscattering

MODIS (Terra/Aqua)
Land Surface Temperature

SCATSAR + Sentinel-1
Soil Water Index

Predictors

Only Remote Sensing products

DBF: Deciduous Broadleaved Forest

ENF: Evergreen Needleleaved Forest

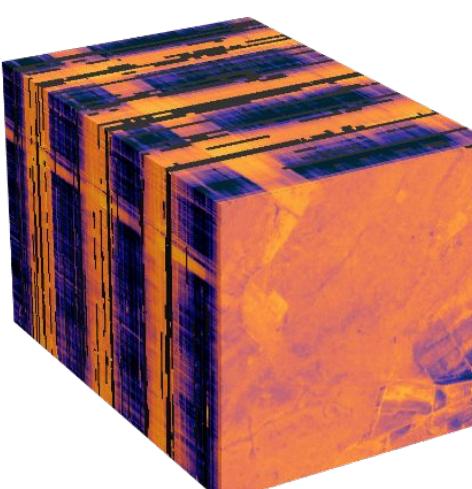
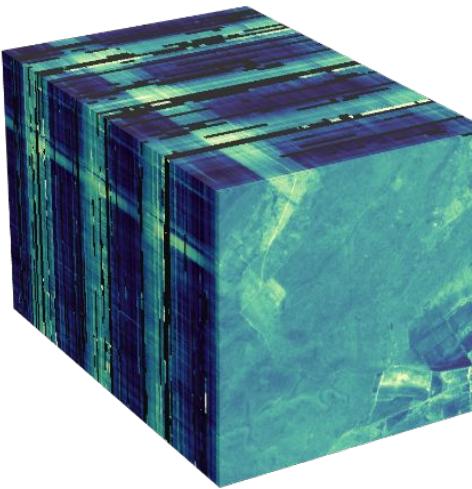
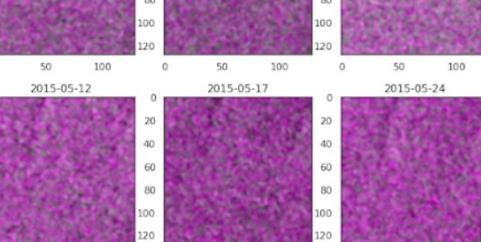
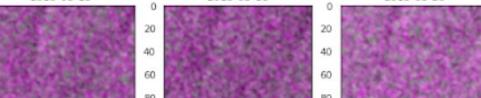
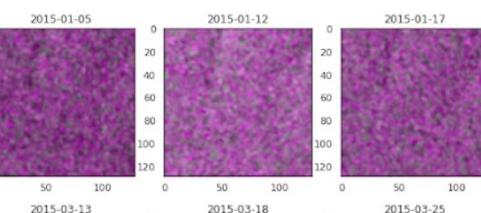
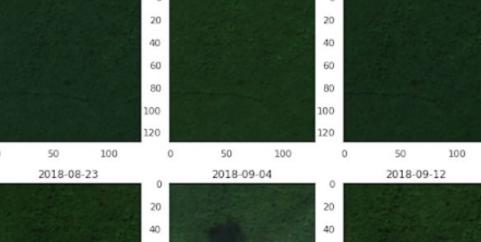
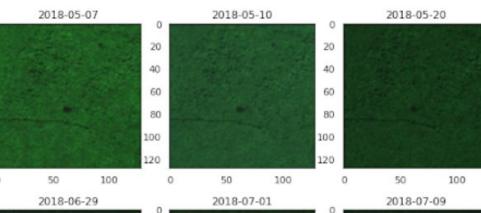
MF: Mixed Forest

VIS: Visible Spectrum

SWIR: Shortwave Infrared Spectrum

Data cubing

Mini Cubes Generation



Sentinel-2
VIS-SWIR Surface Reflectance

Sentinel-1
VV-VH Gamma Flattened Backscattering

Data **cubing**

Mini Cubes Generation



The image shows the CUBO logo, which consists of a light blue cube with a small magenta circle on its front face. To the right of the logo, the word "CUBO" is written in a large, dark blue, sans-serif font. Above the logo, there is a small visualization showing three grayscale images labeled "2018-05-07", "2018-05-18", and "2018-05-20". Below the logo, there is a larger, more complex 3D visualization of a stack of numerous small cubes, representing a data cube. At the bottom left of the slide, the text "VIS-SWIR Surface Reflectance" is displayed.

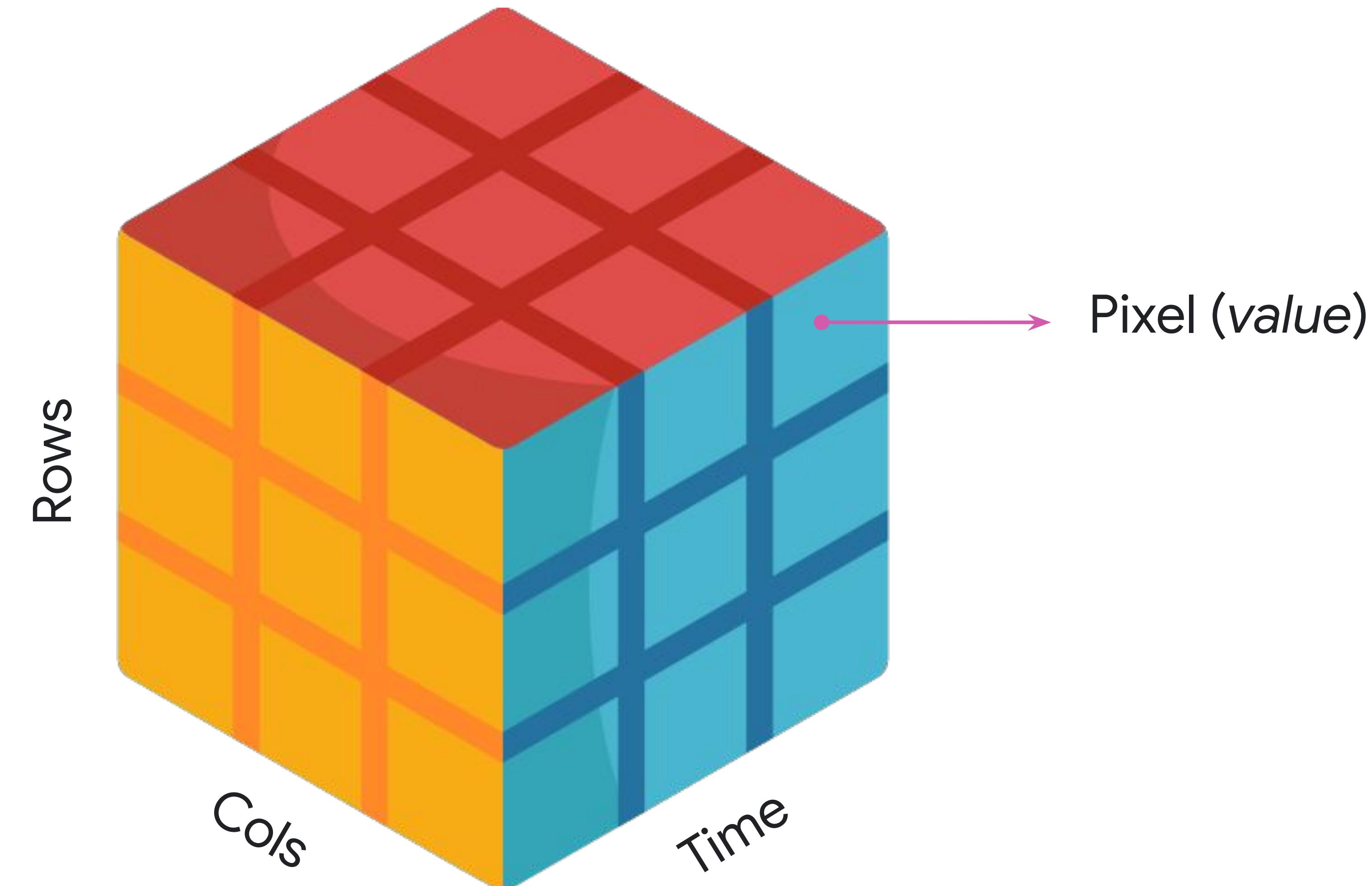
CUBO

Easily create EO mini cubes
from STAC in Python

VIS-SWIR Surface Reflectance

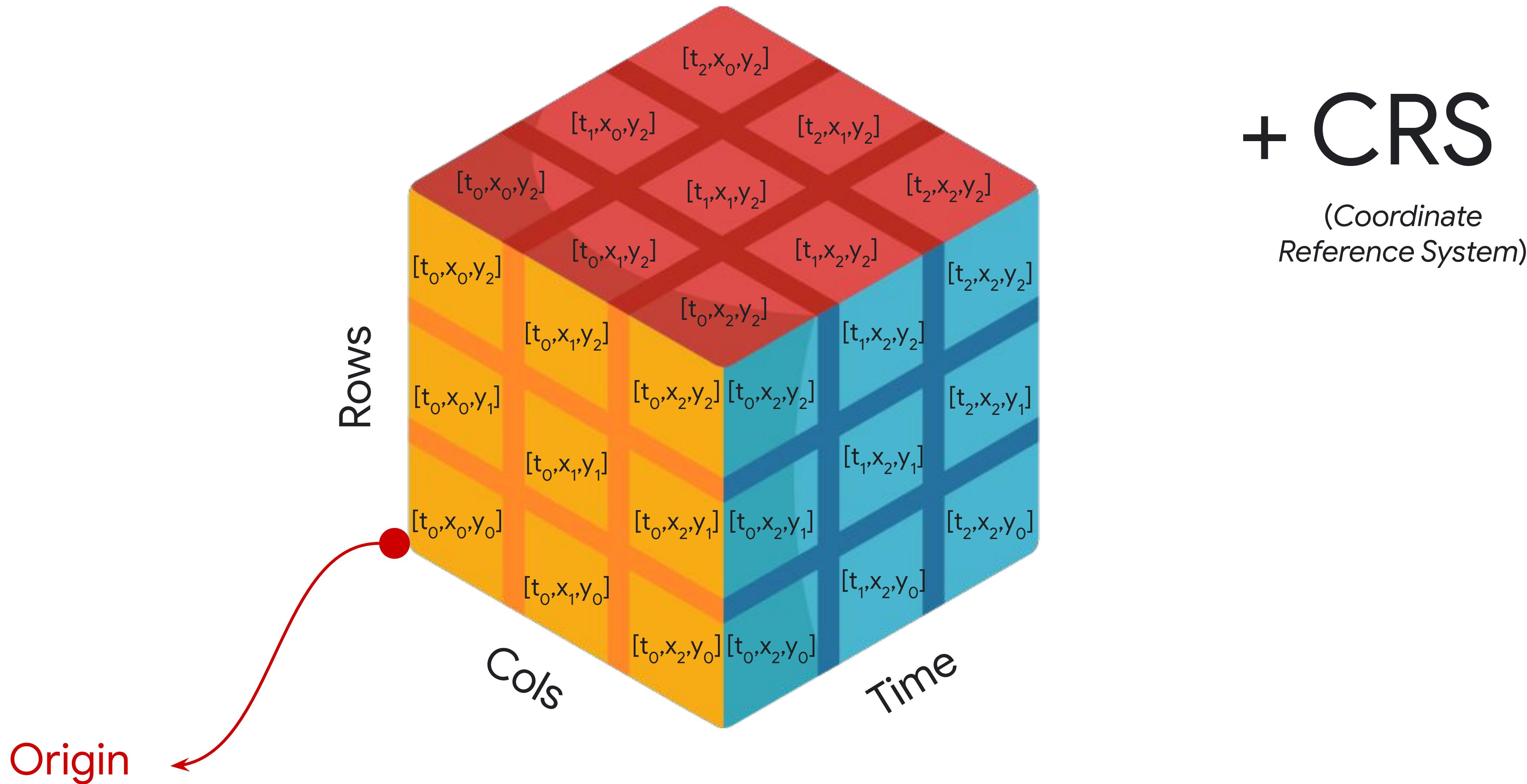
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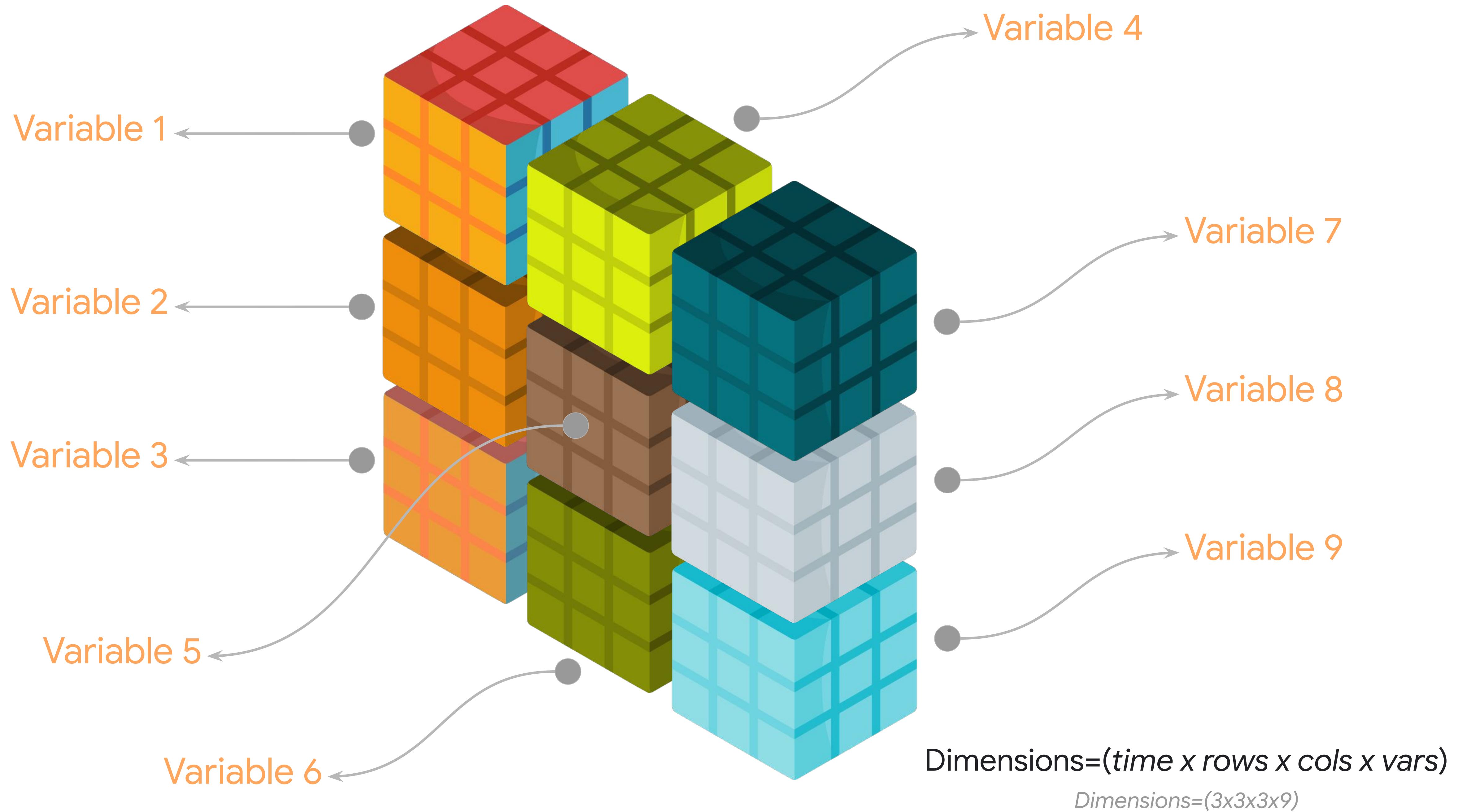
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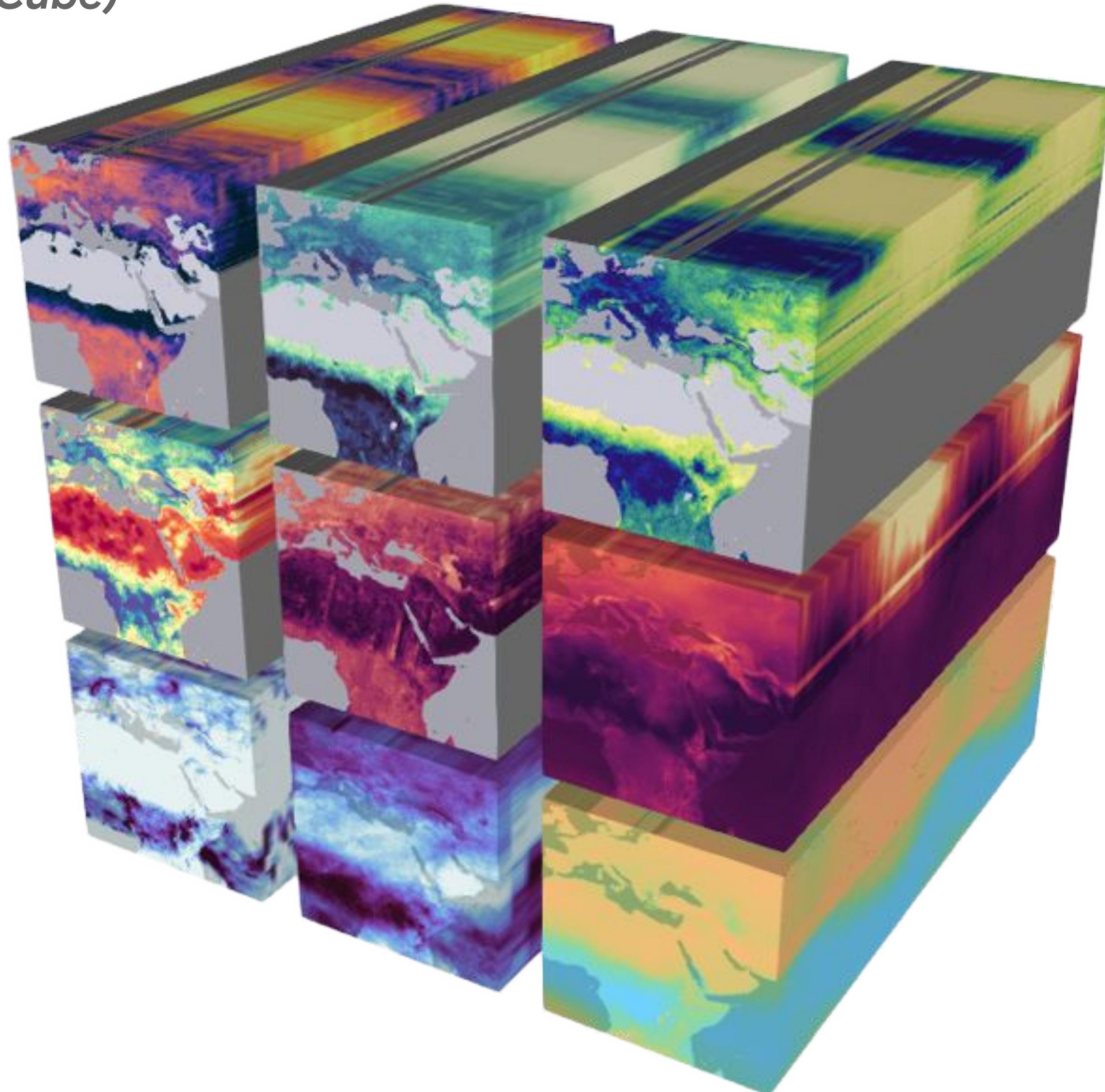
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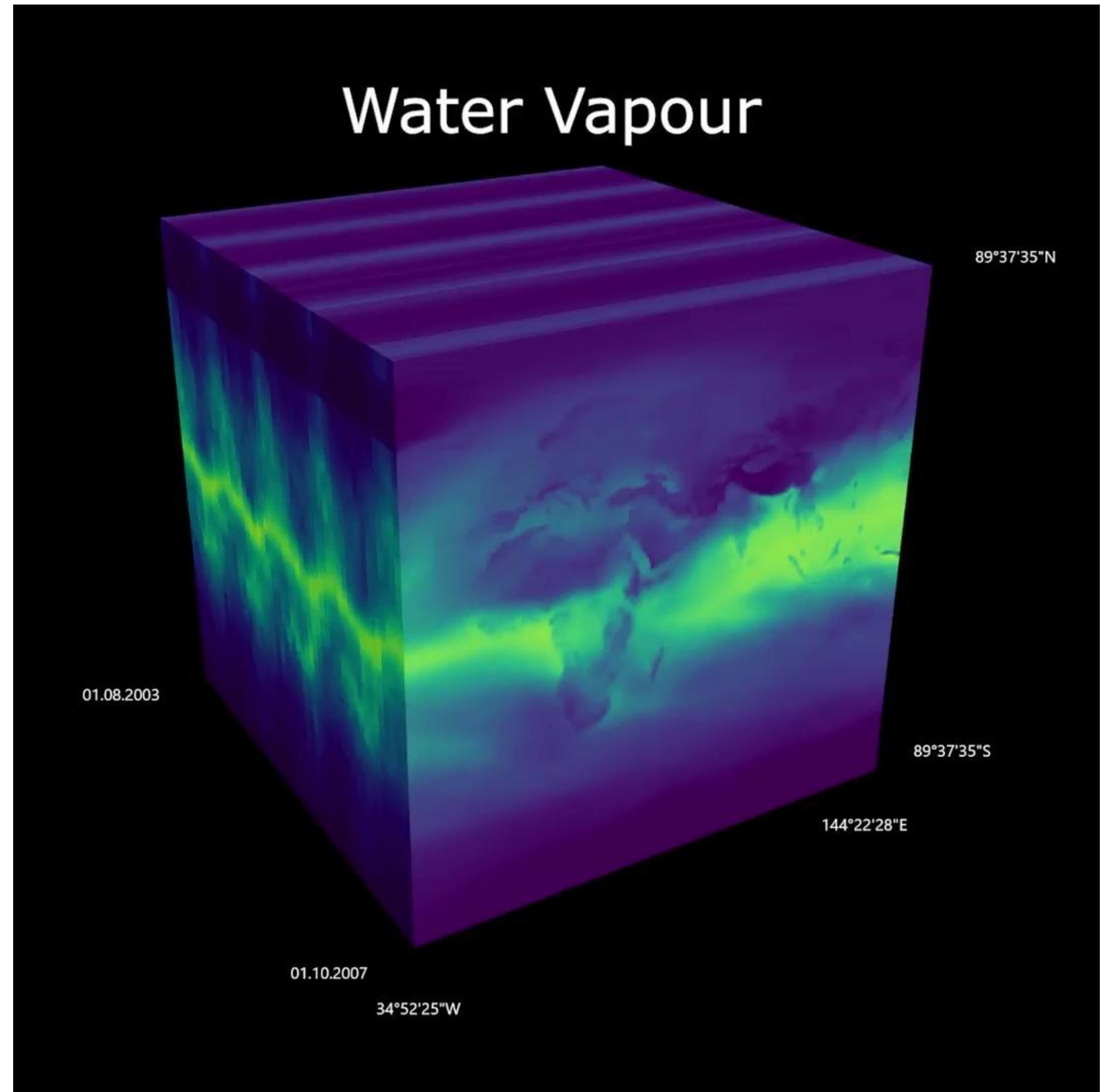


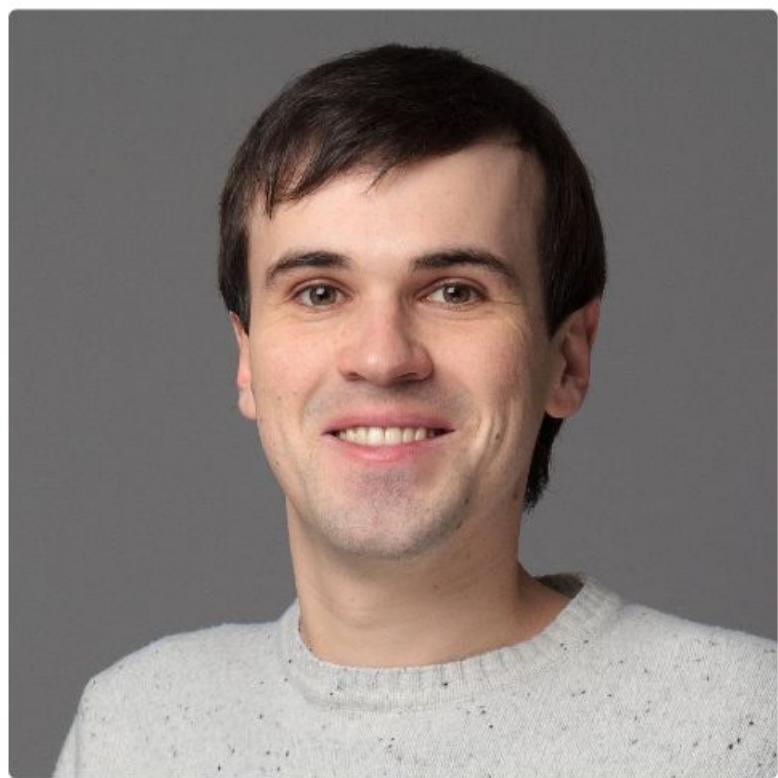


ESDC (Earth System Data Cube)



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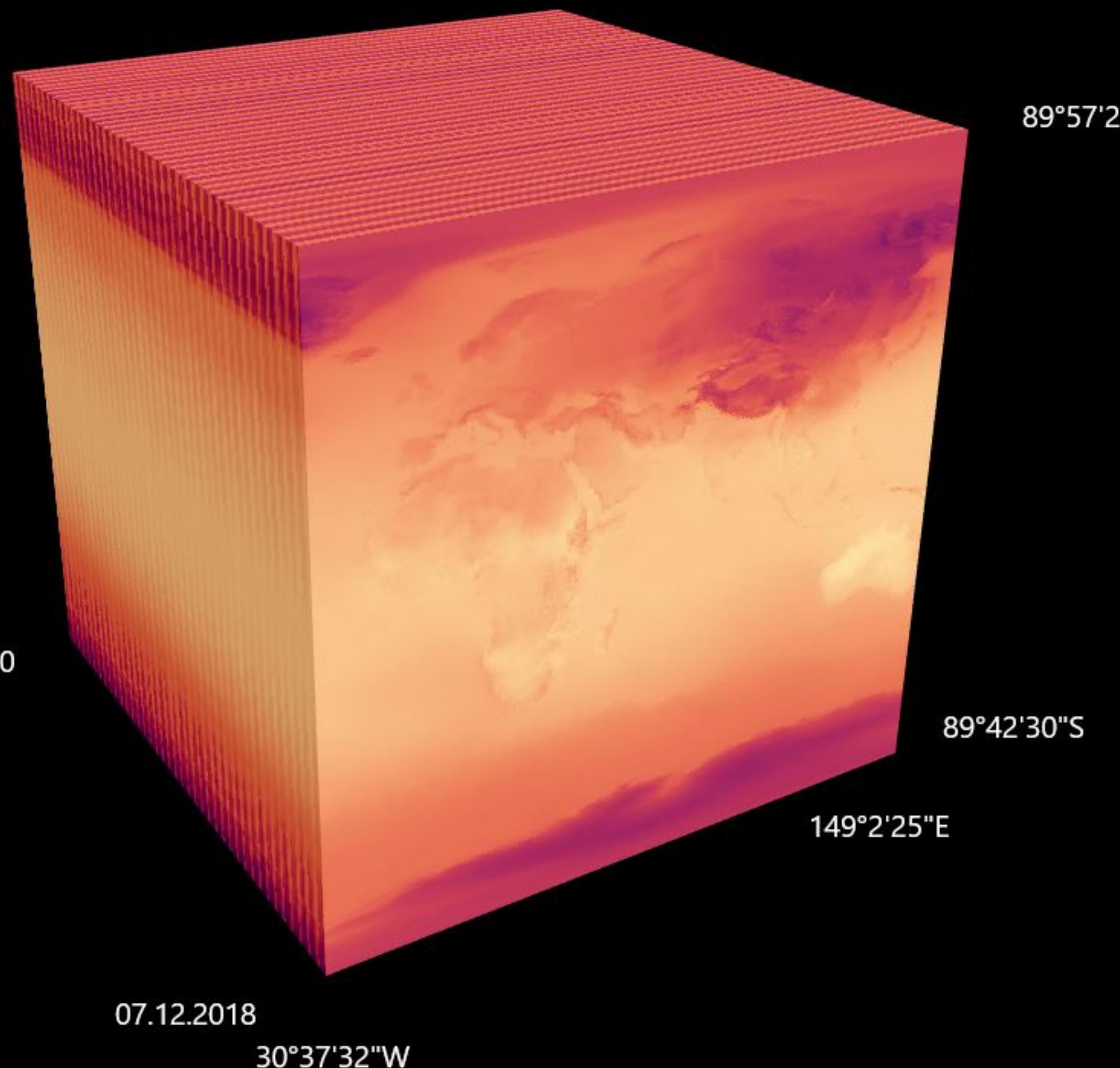


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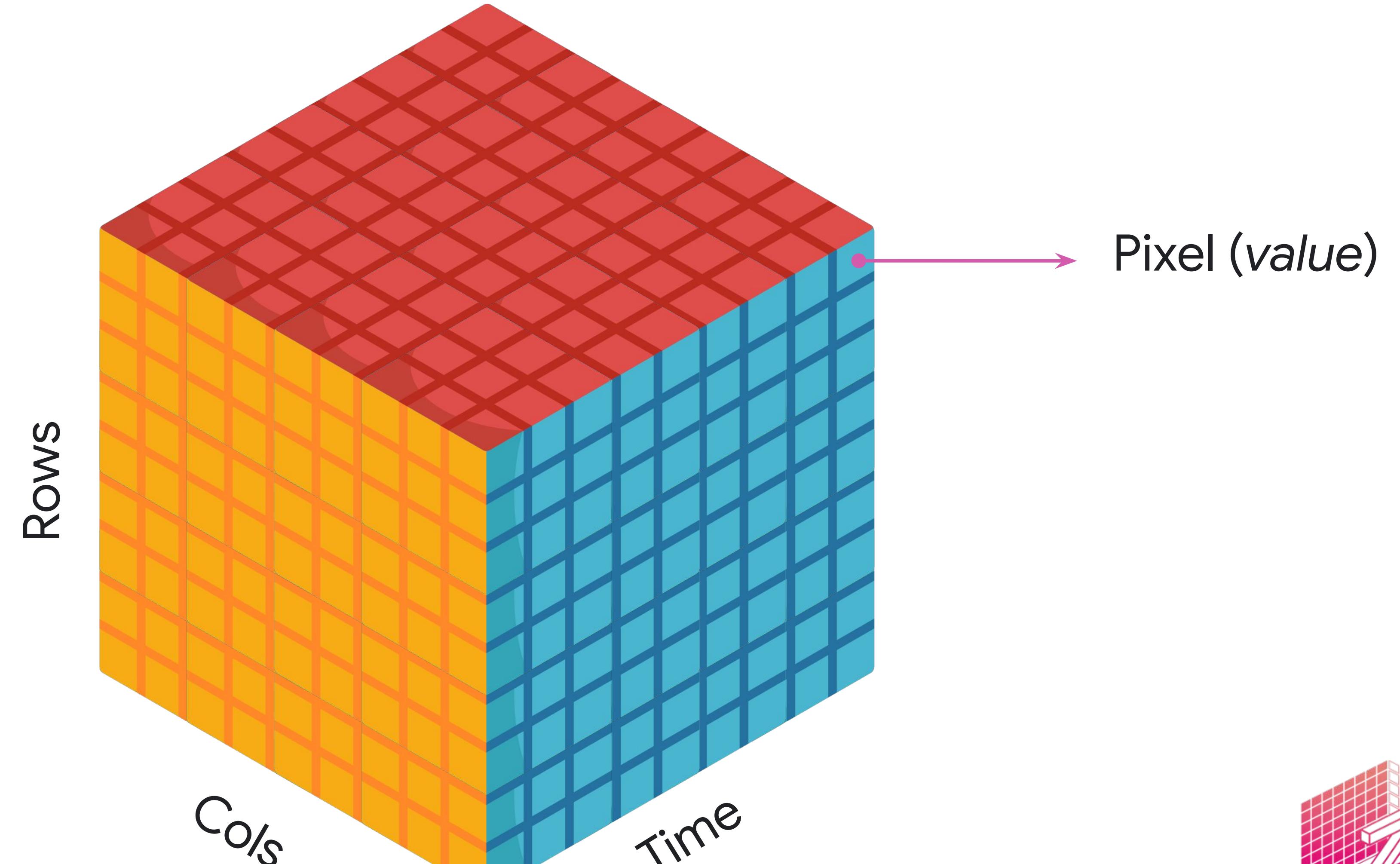


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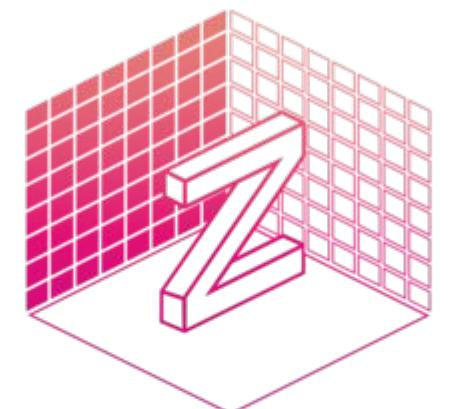
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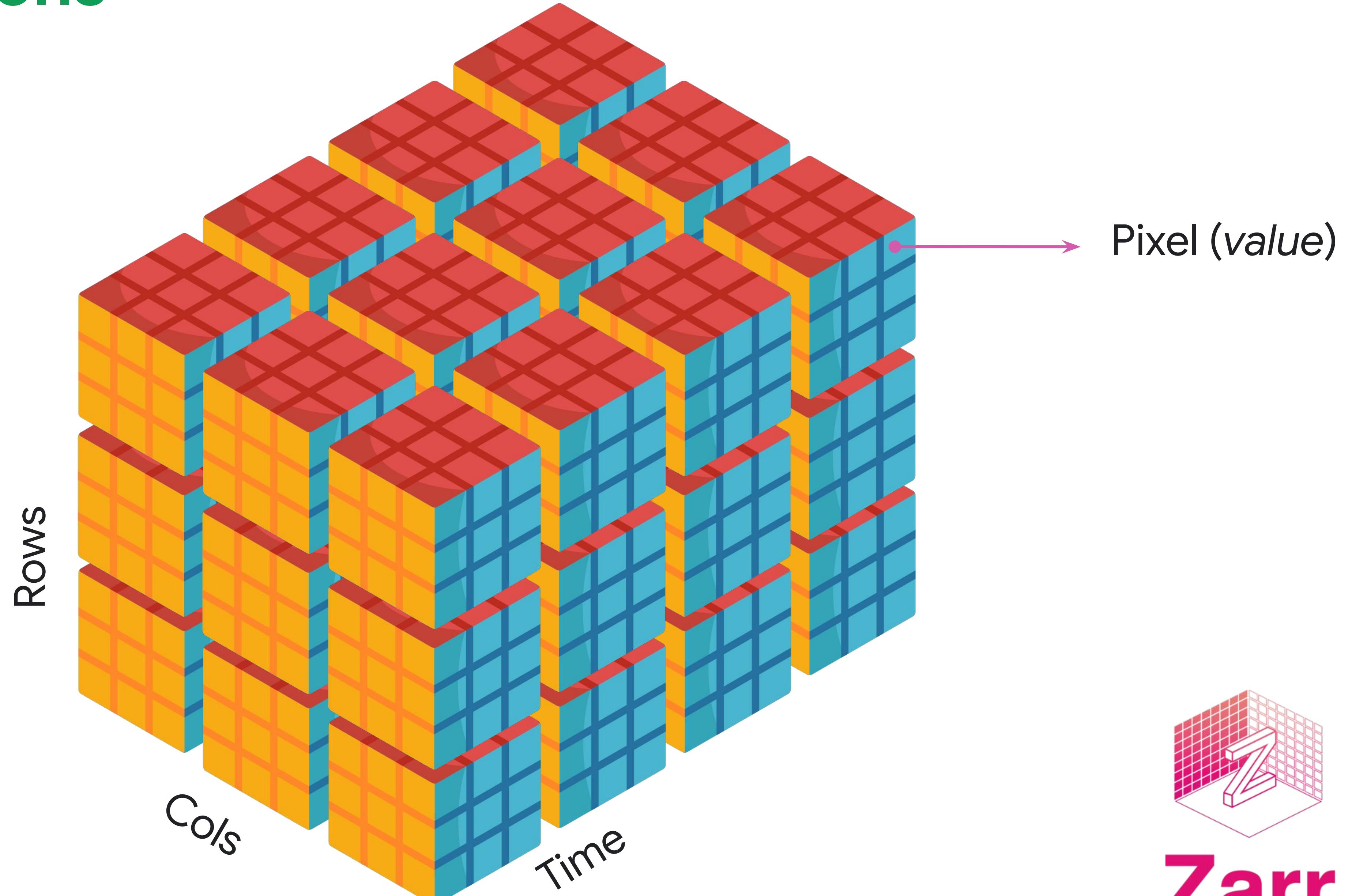


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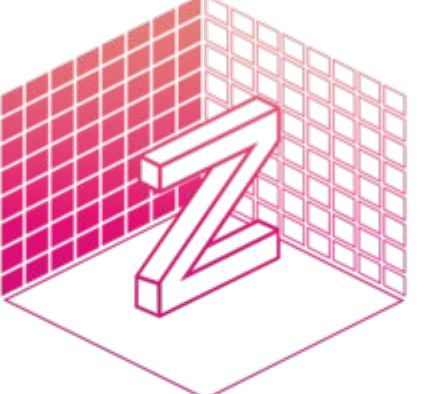


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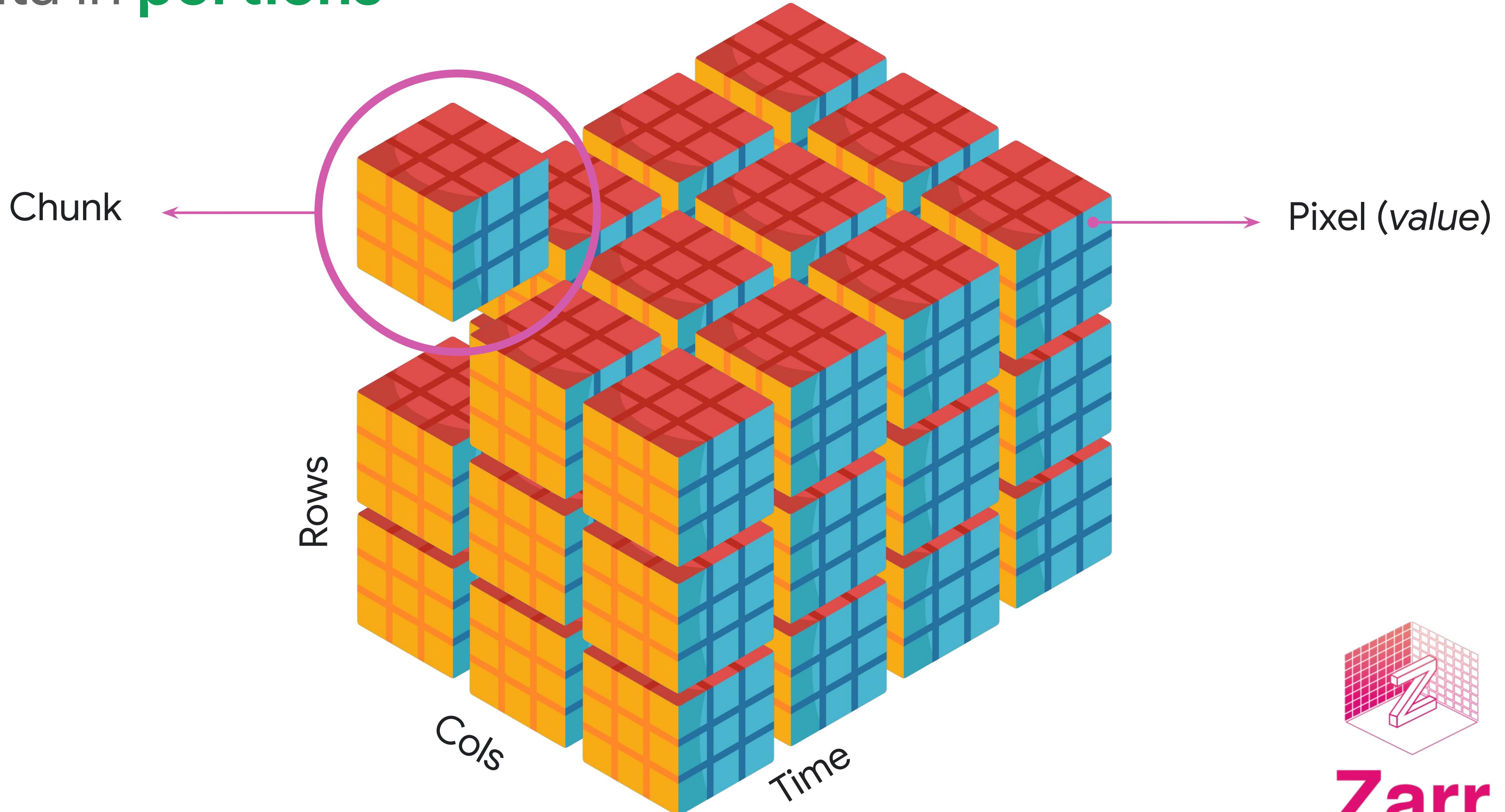
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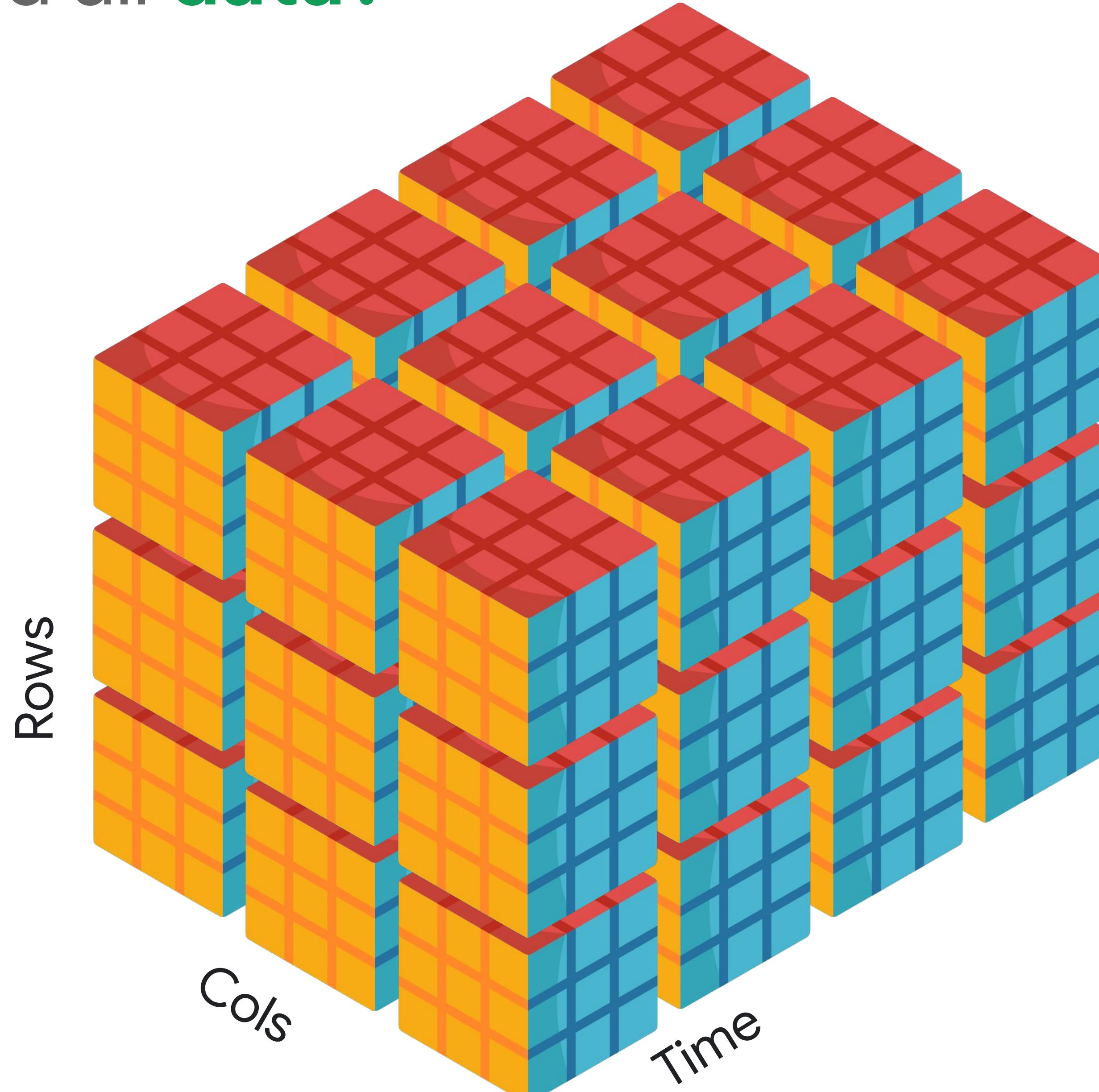
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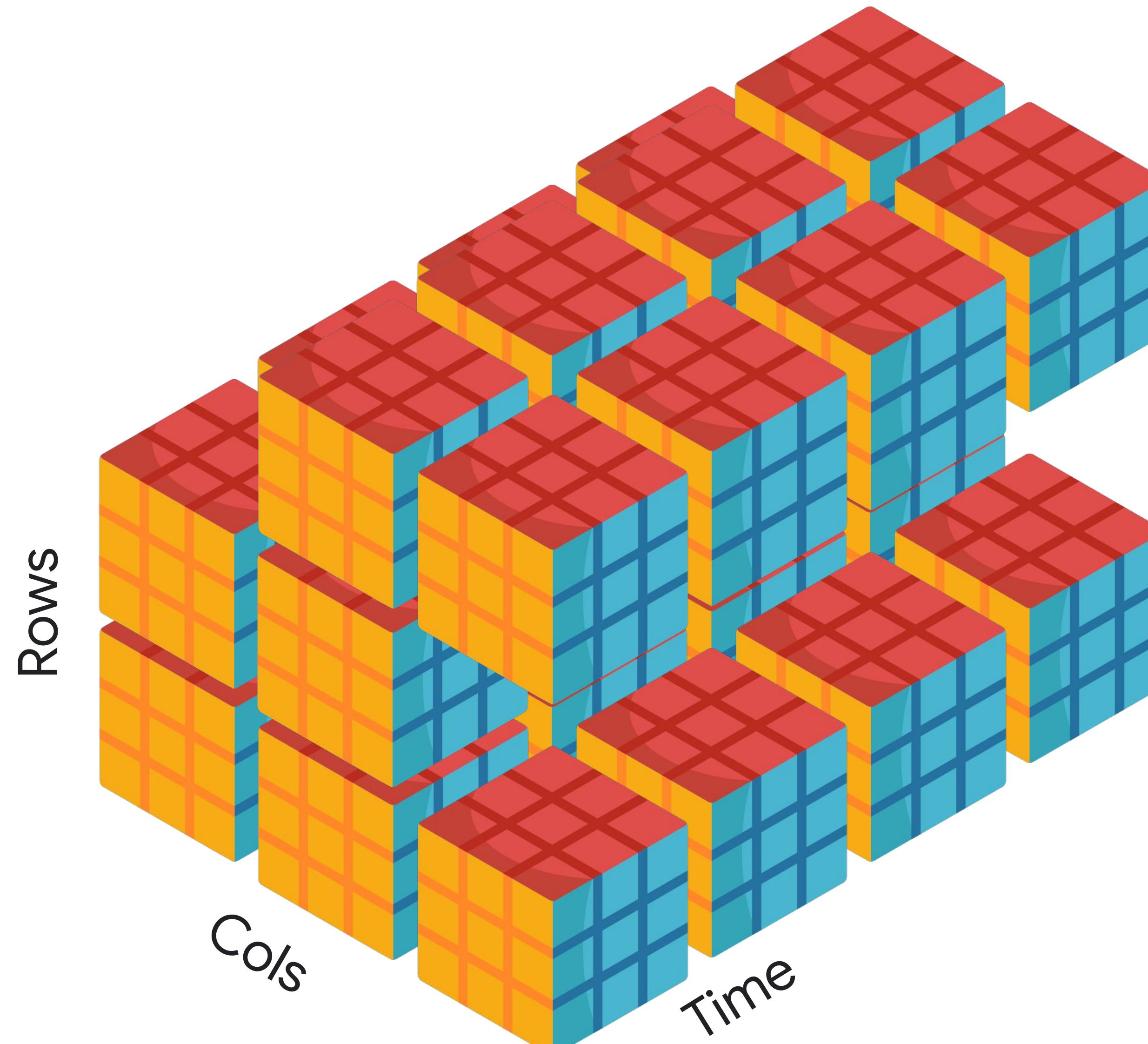
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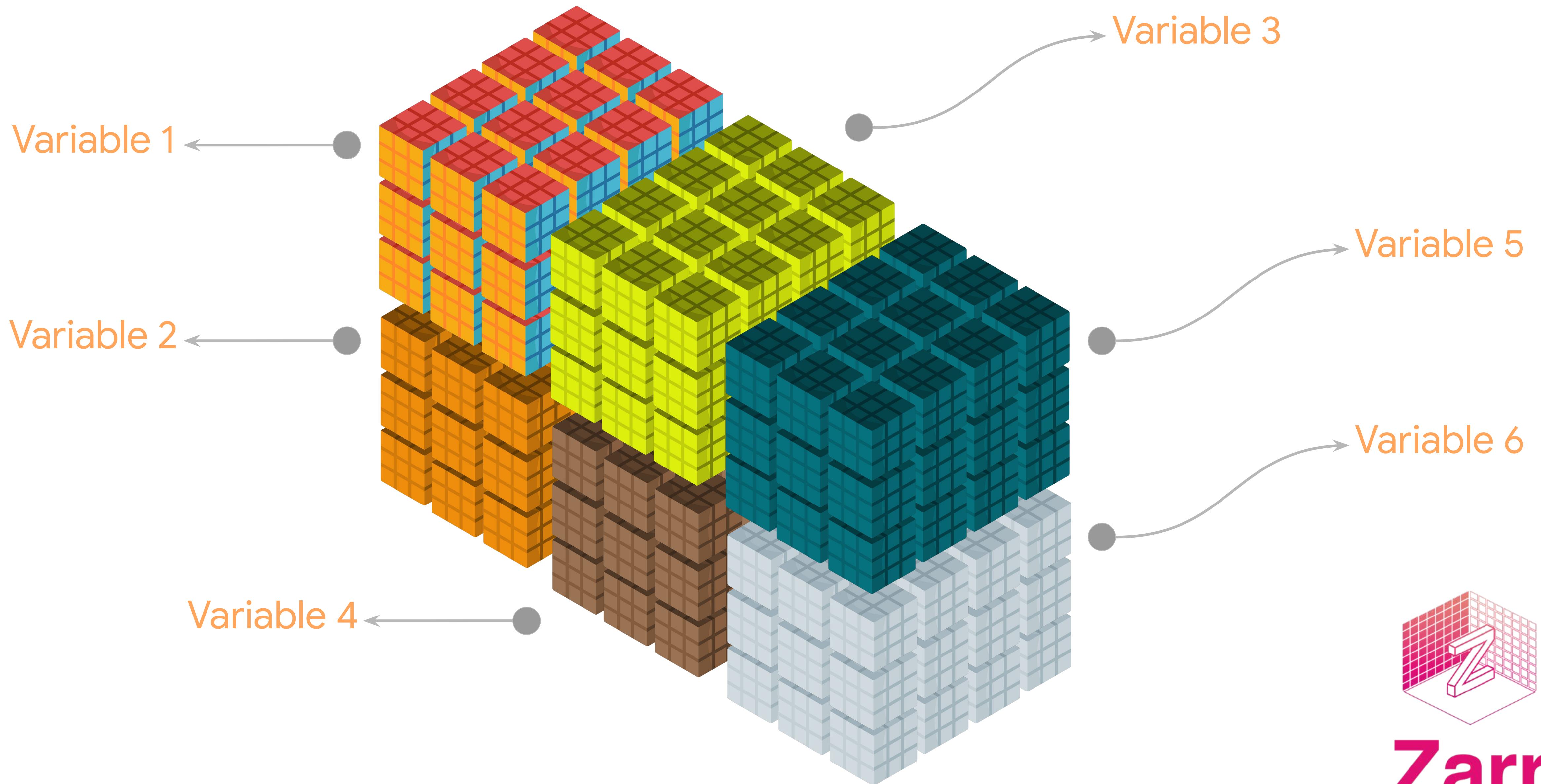


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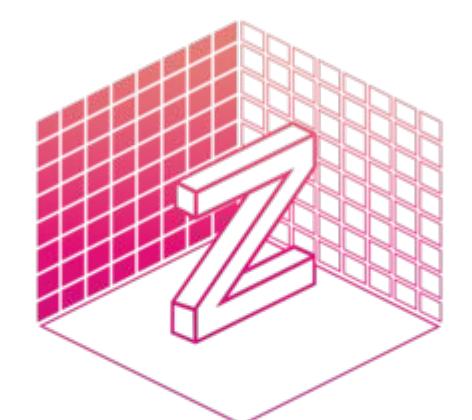


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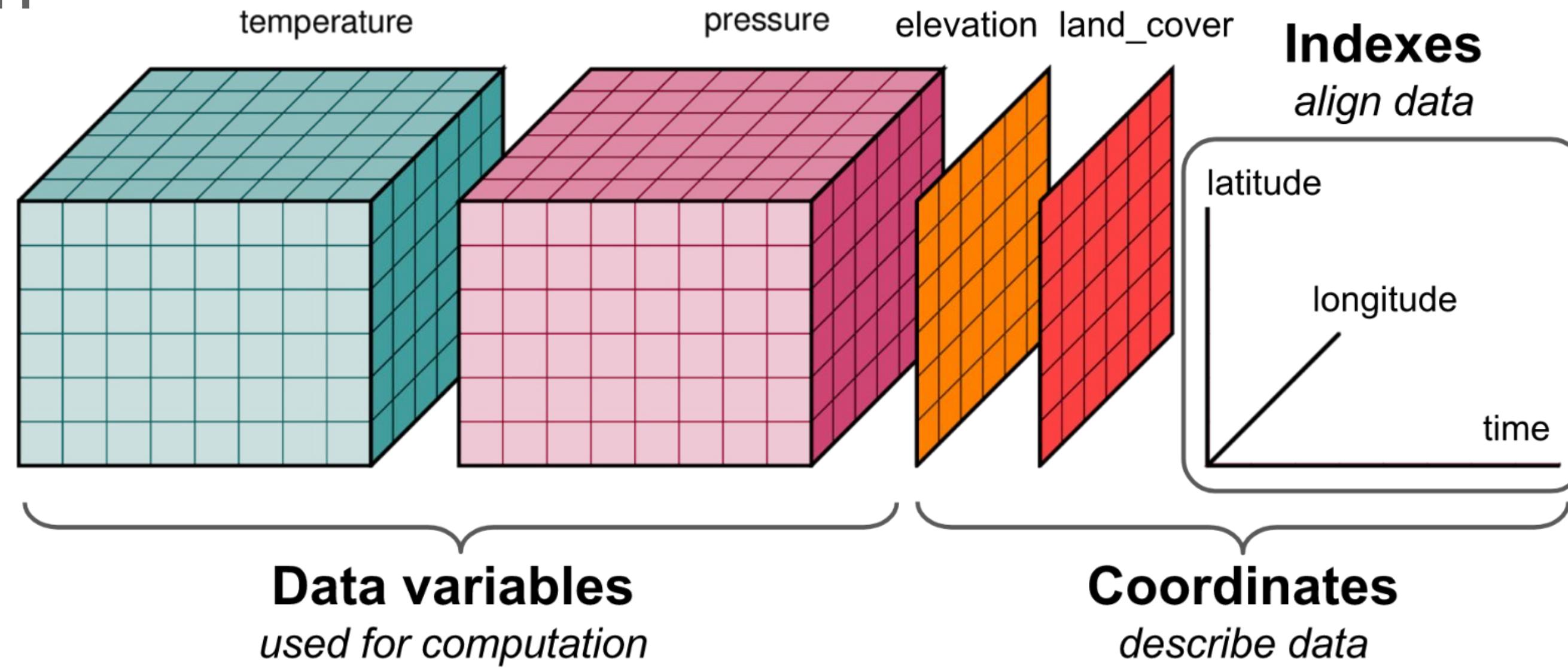




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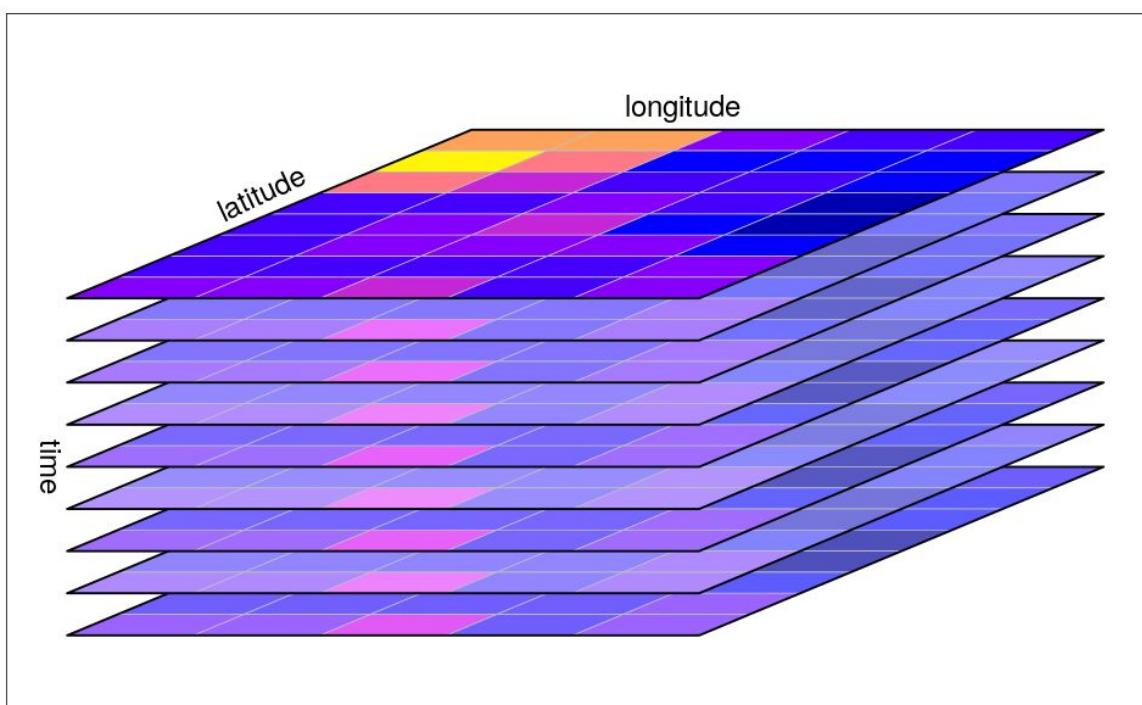
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Yet Another XArray-like Julia package

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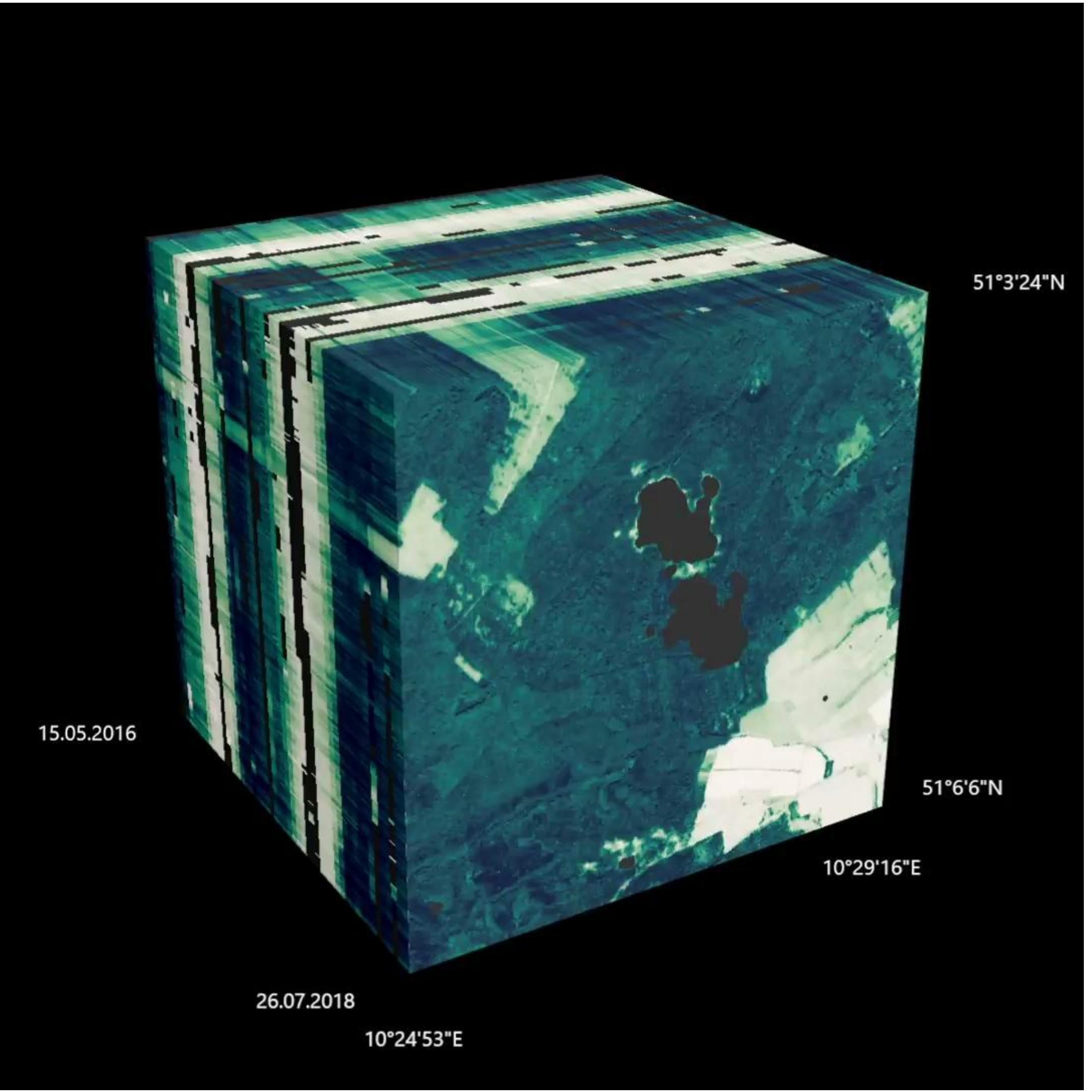
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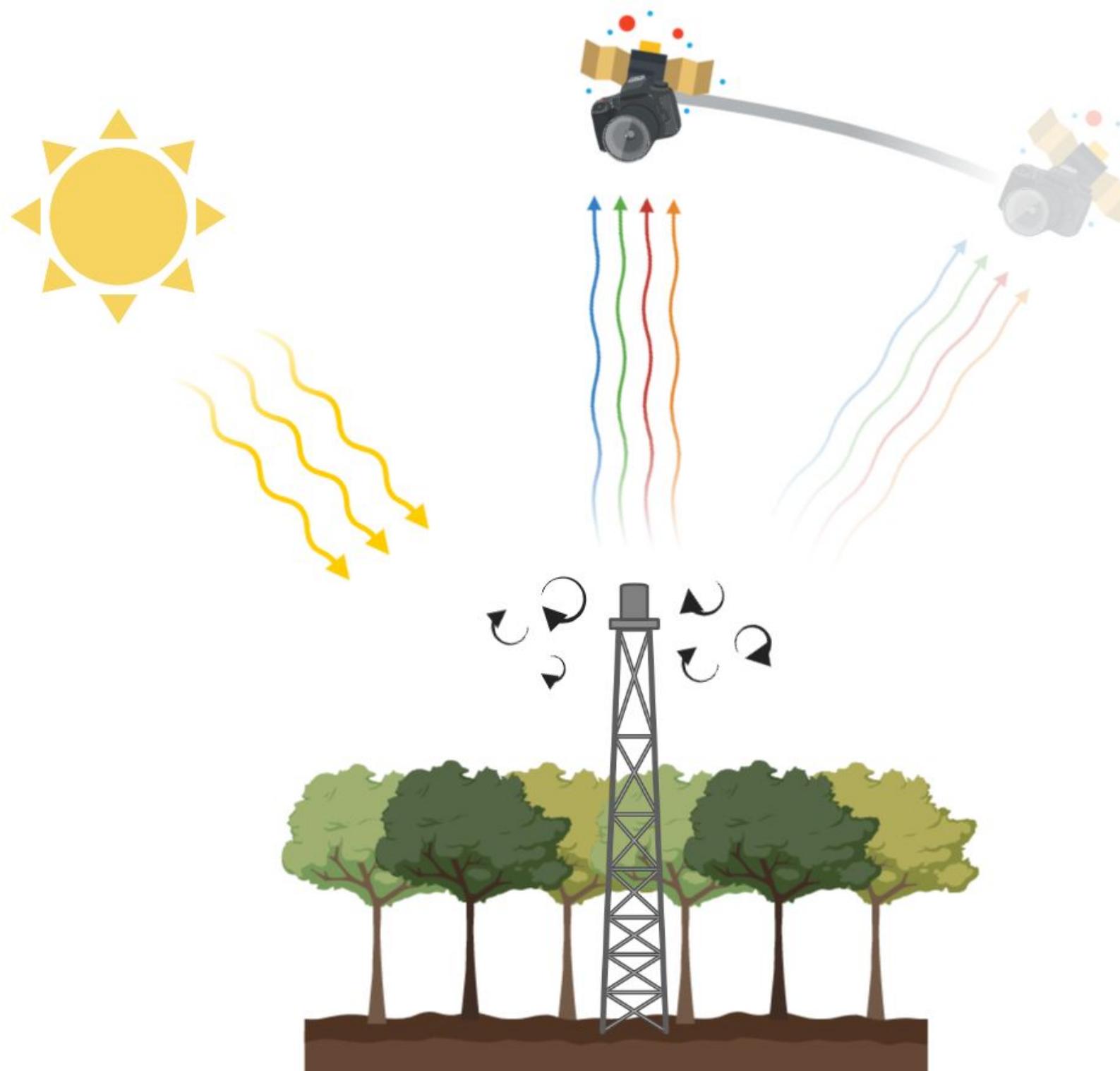
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Data curation

Nadir BRDF Reflectance Adjustment



Sentinel-2
VIS-SWIR Surface Reflectance

Data curation

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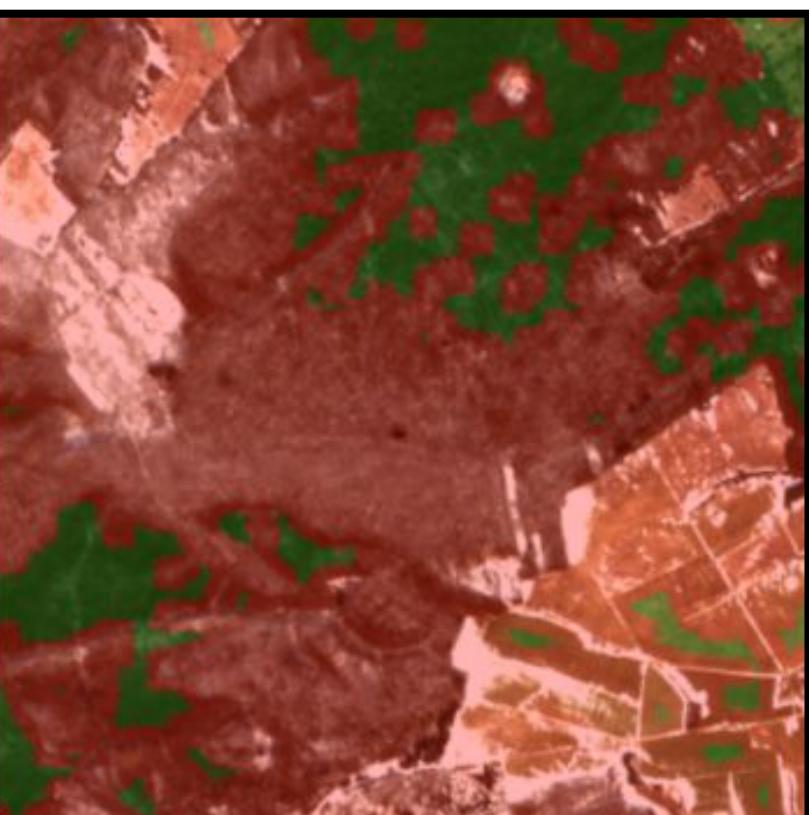
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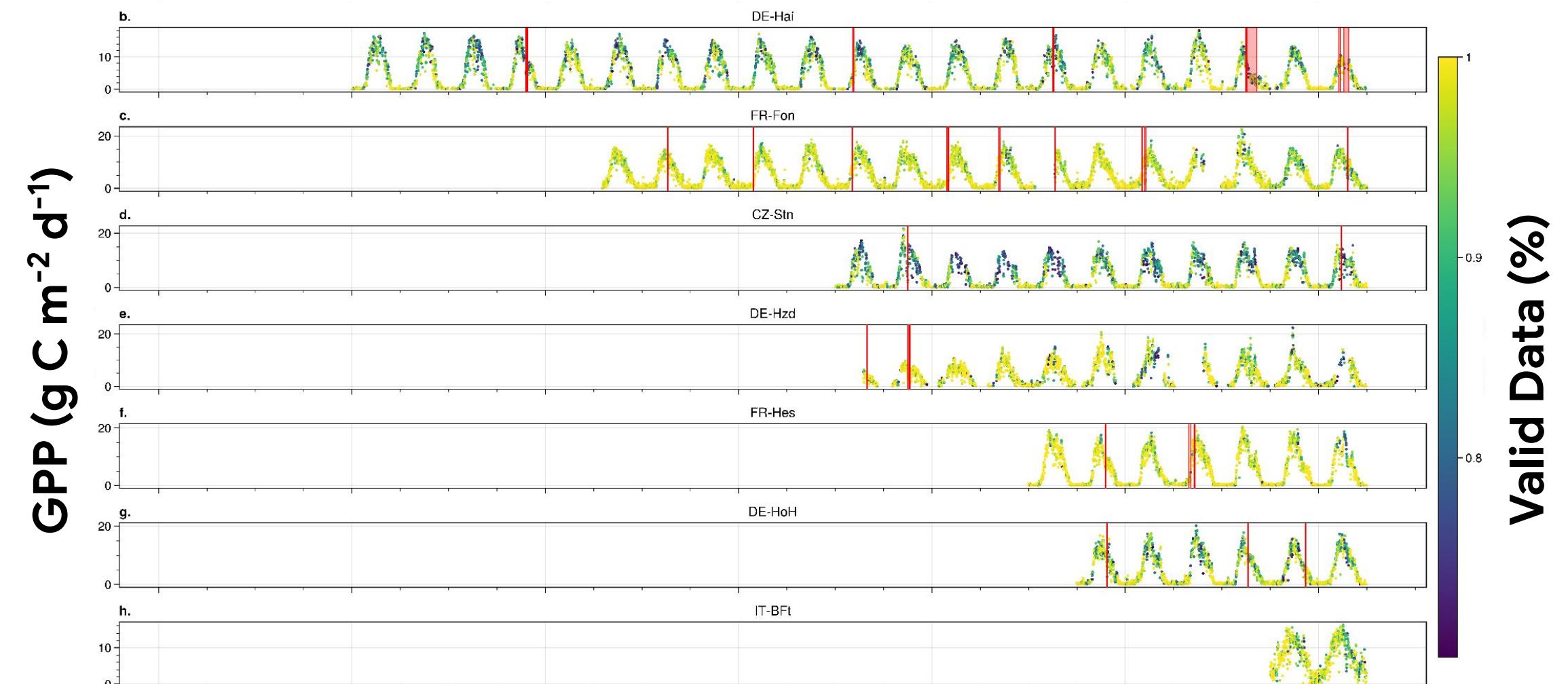
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Cloud, cloud-shadow and snow masking



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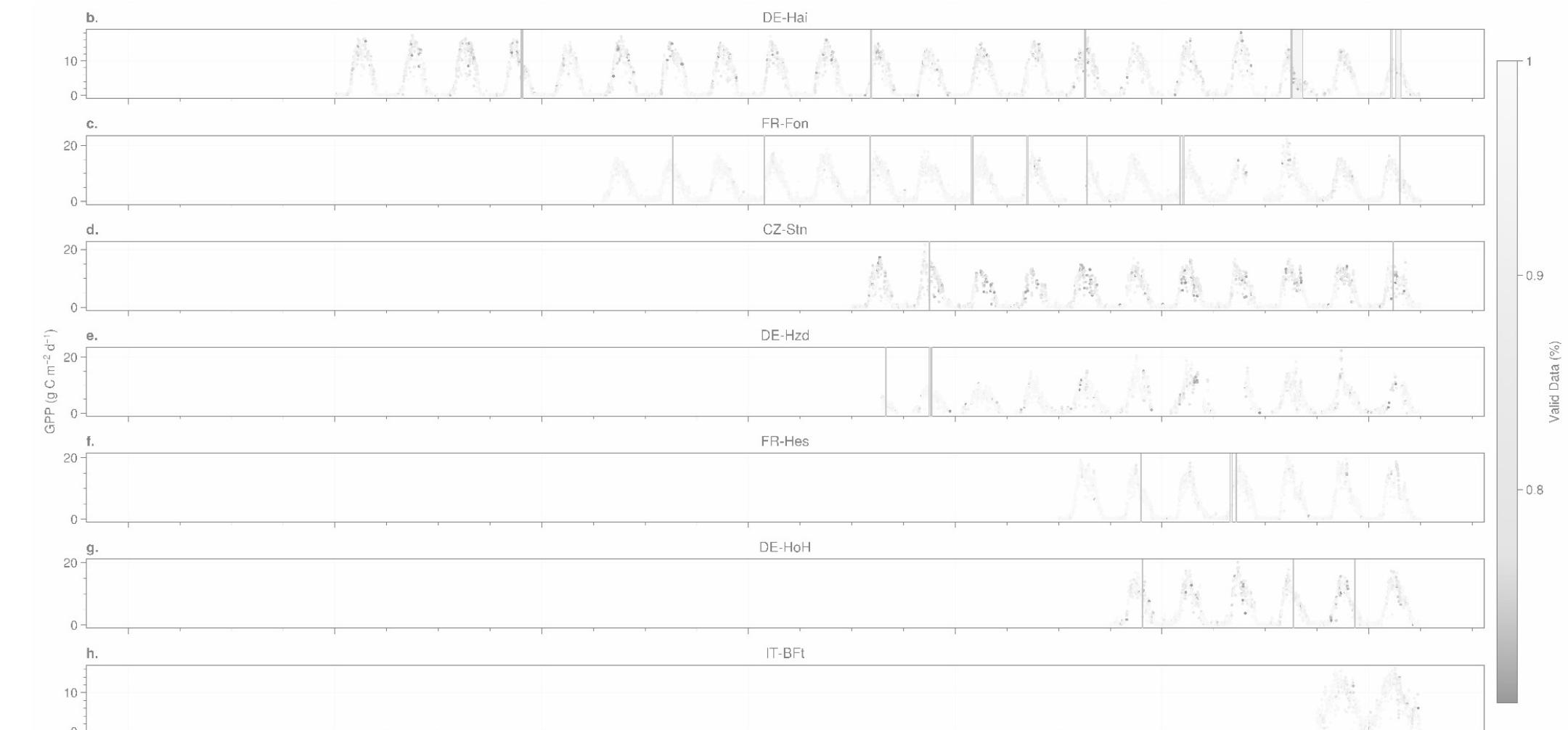
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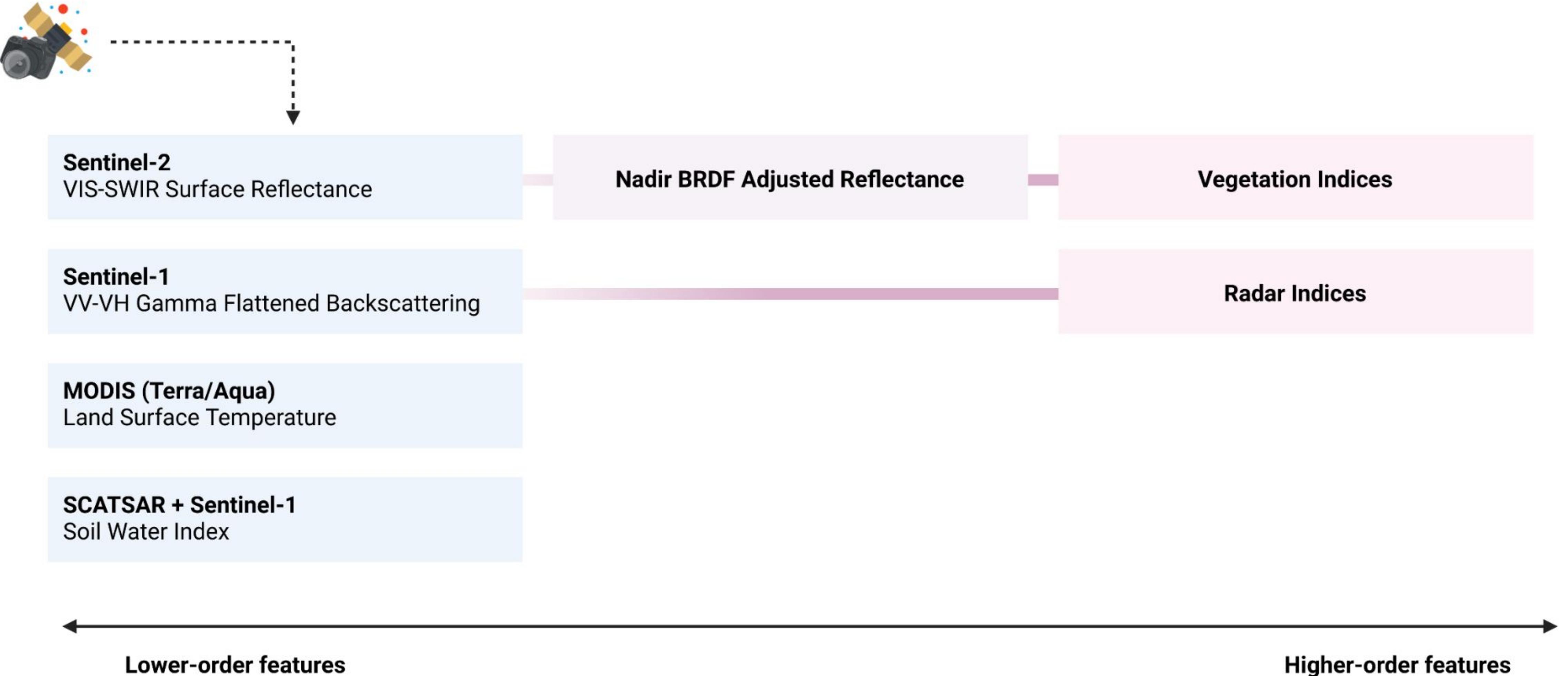
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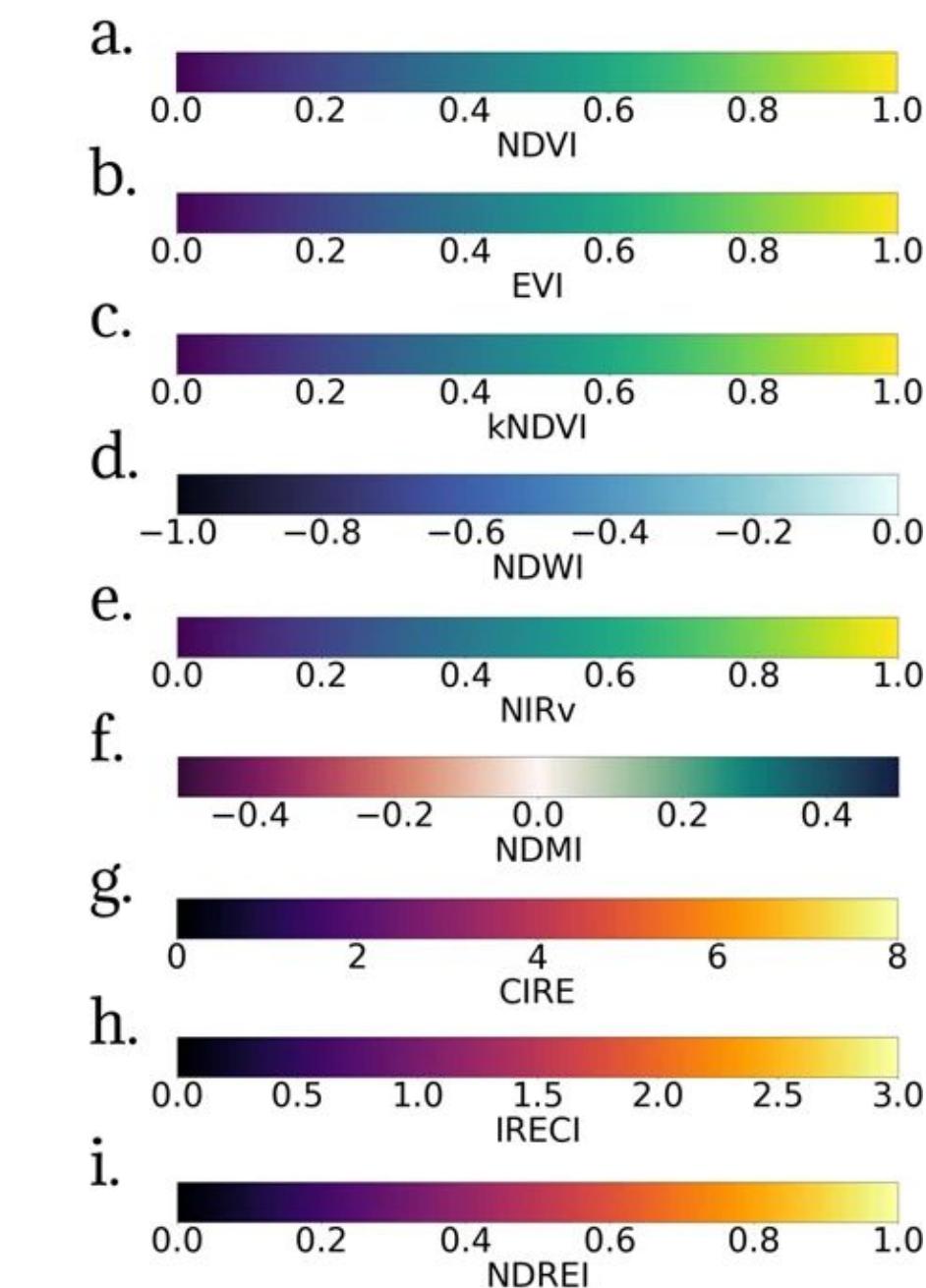
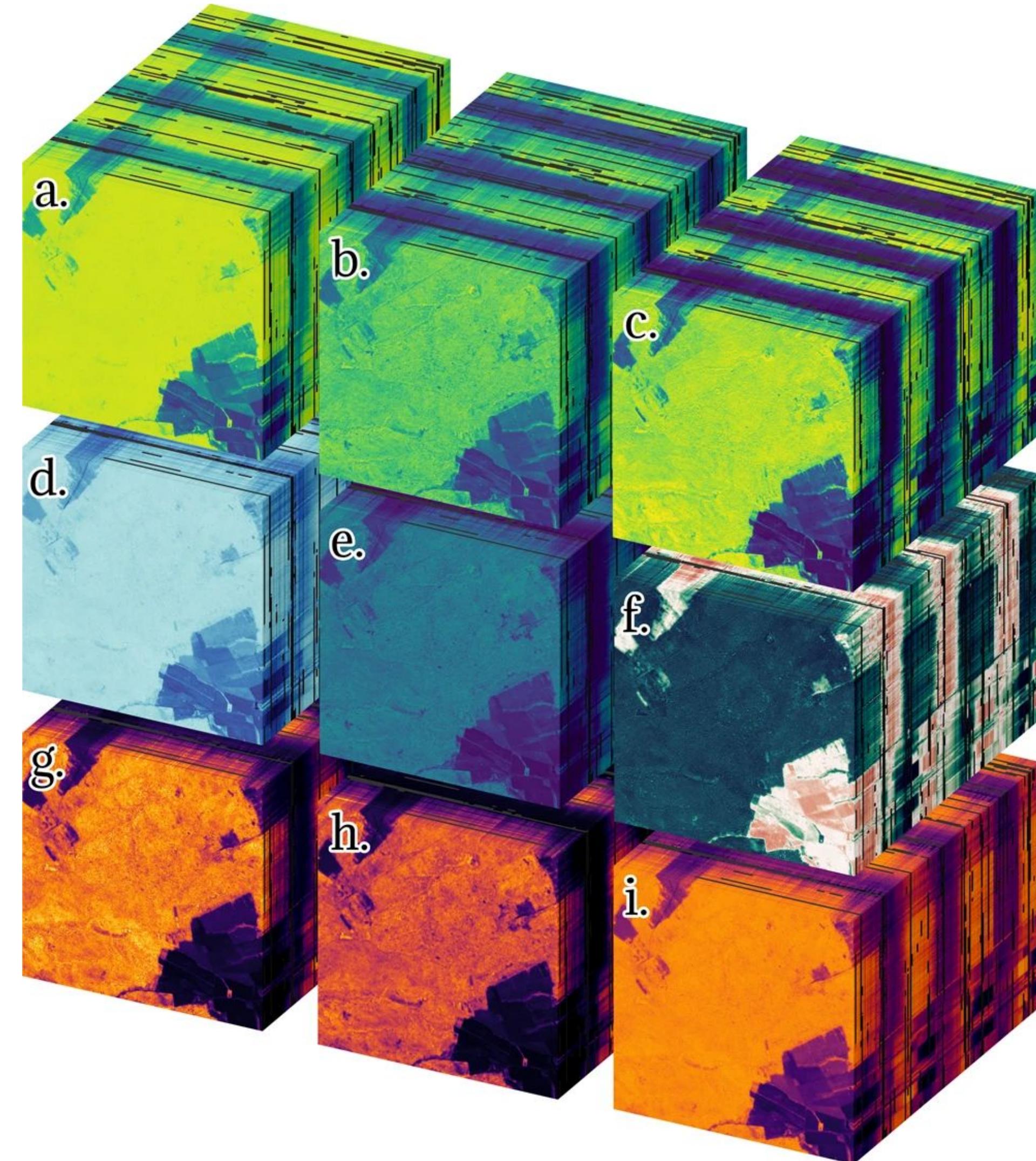
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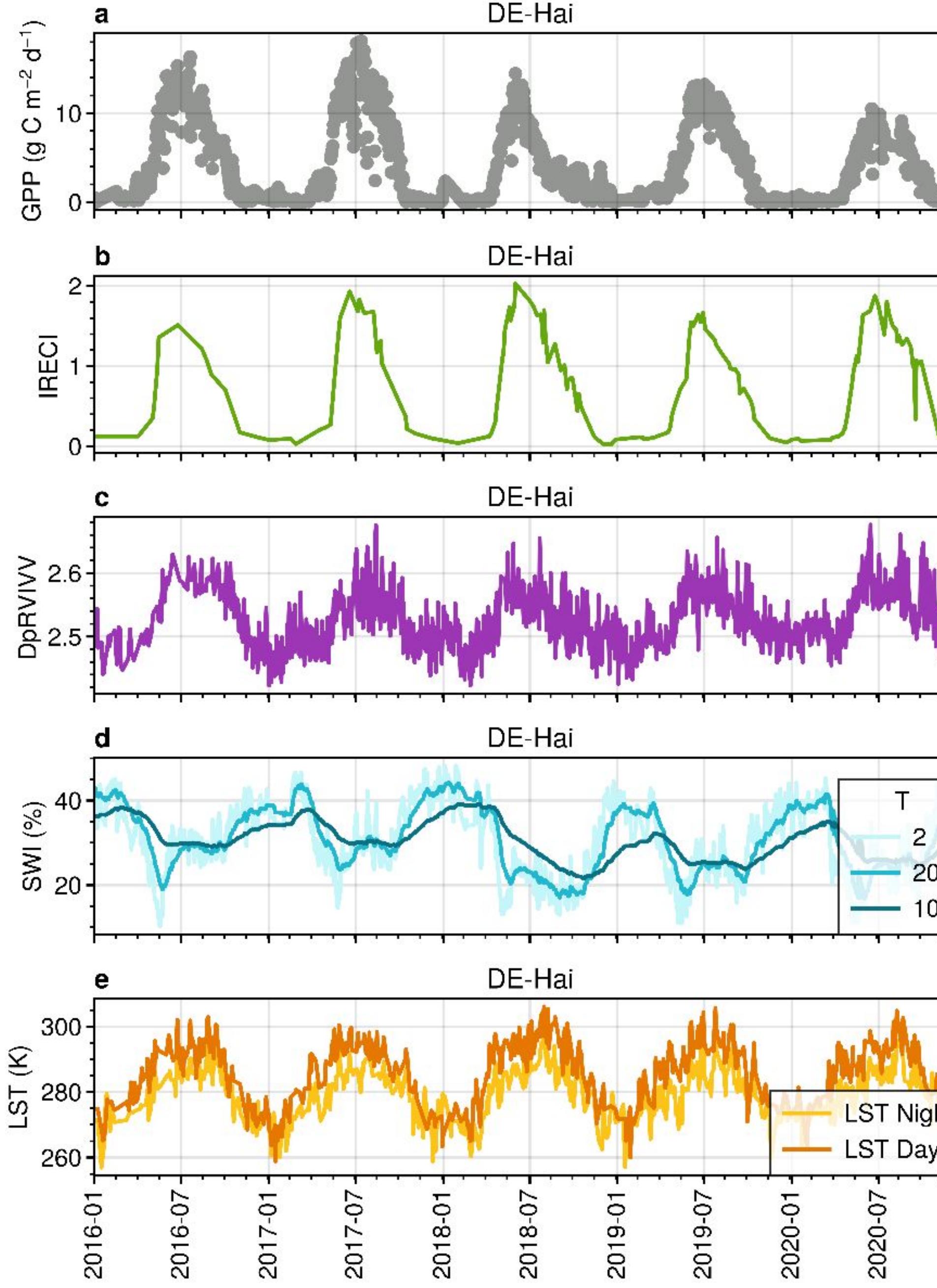
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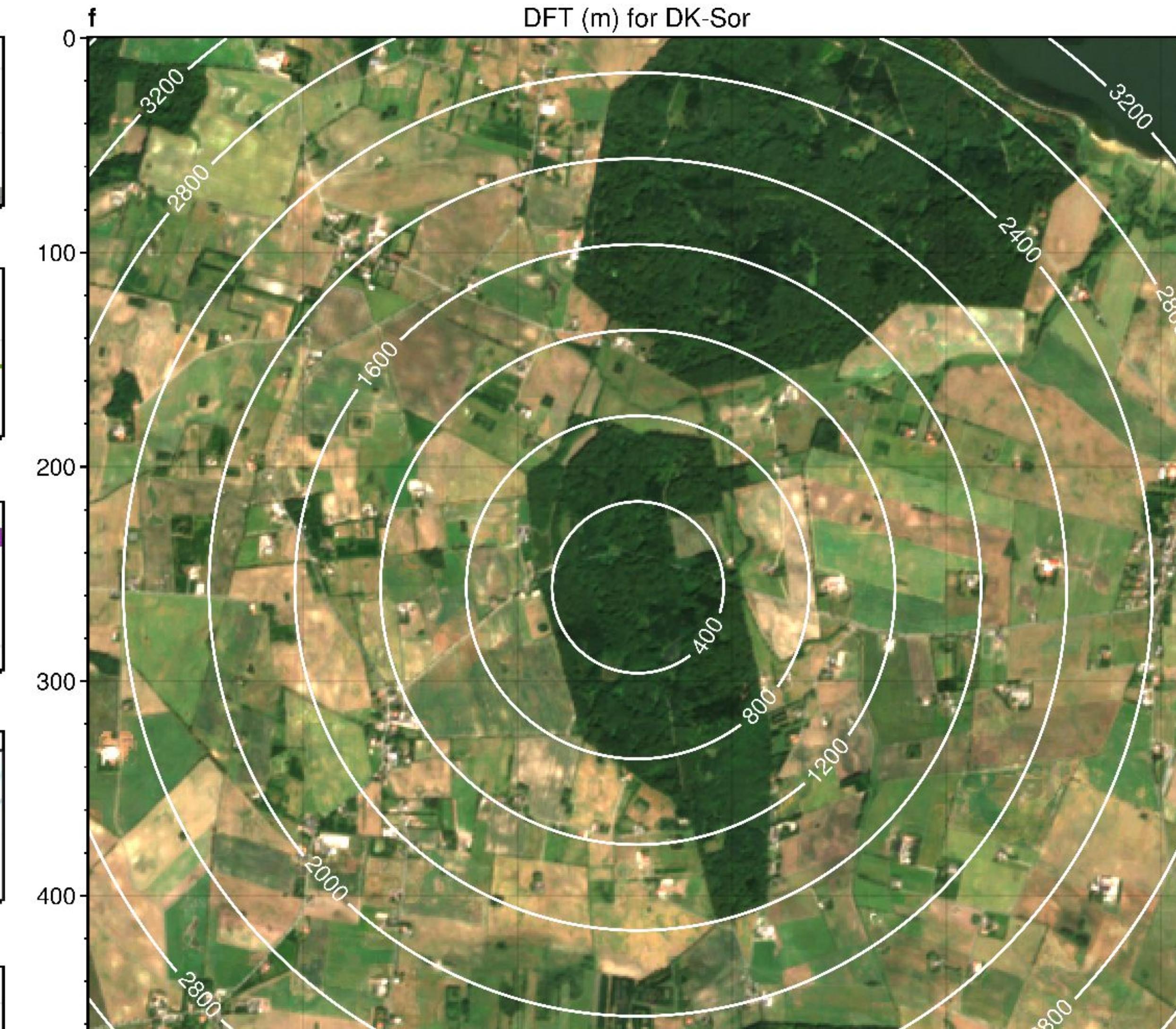
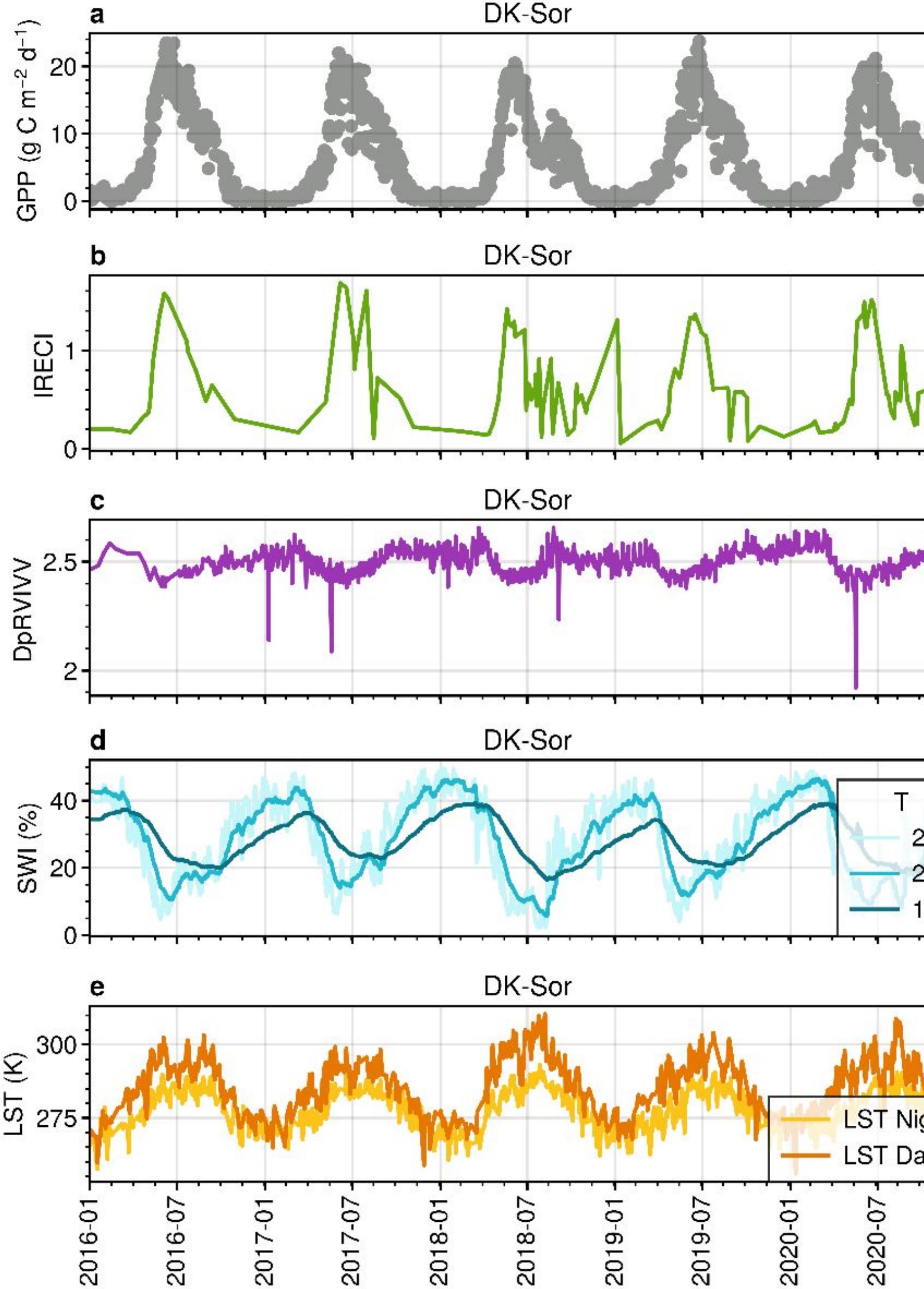
Earth System **Mini** Cubes for ICOS 2020 WW

*Sample of 9 VIs from
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Awesome Spectral
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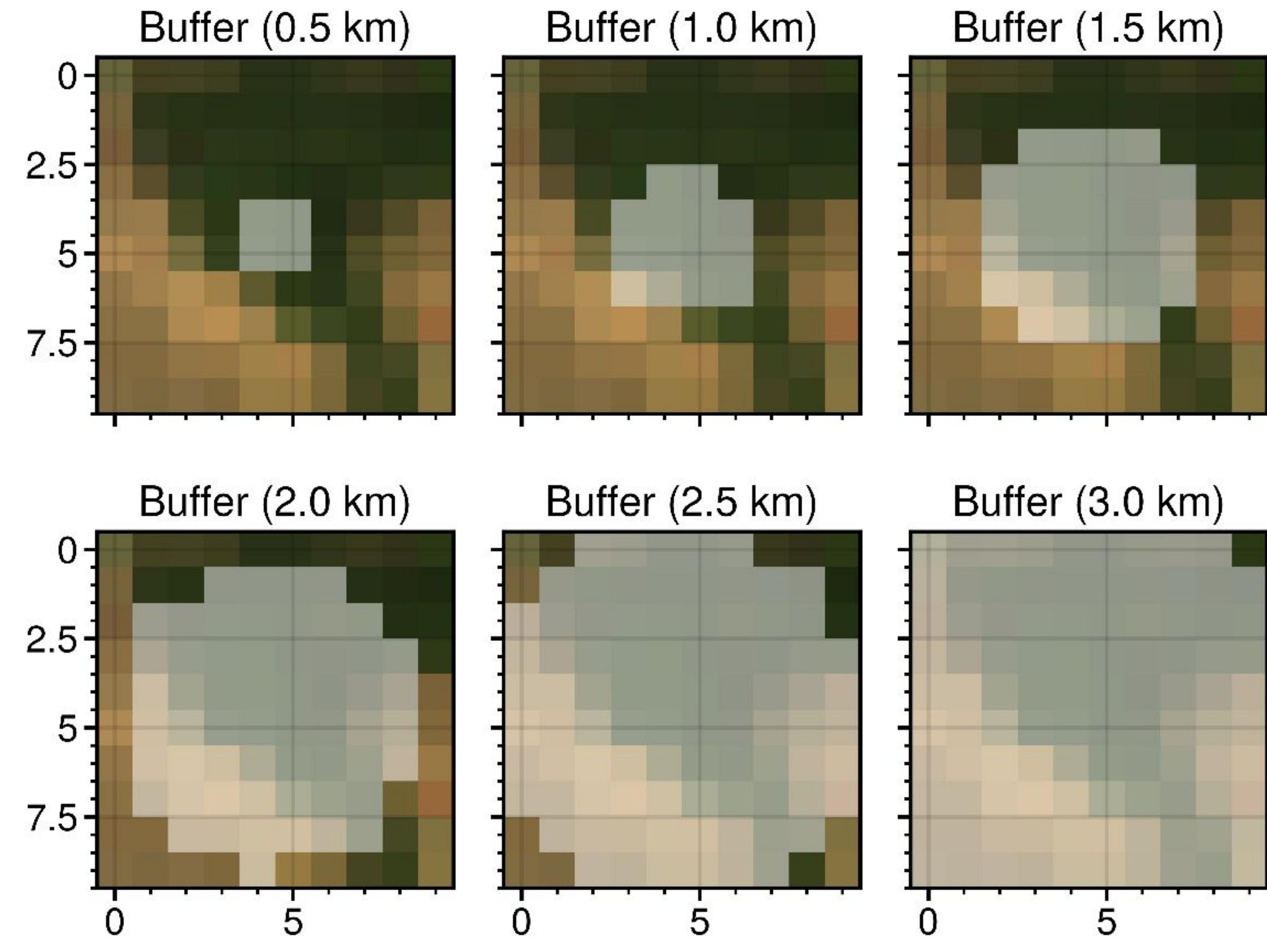
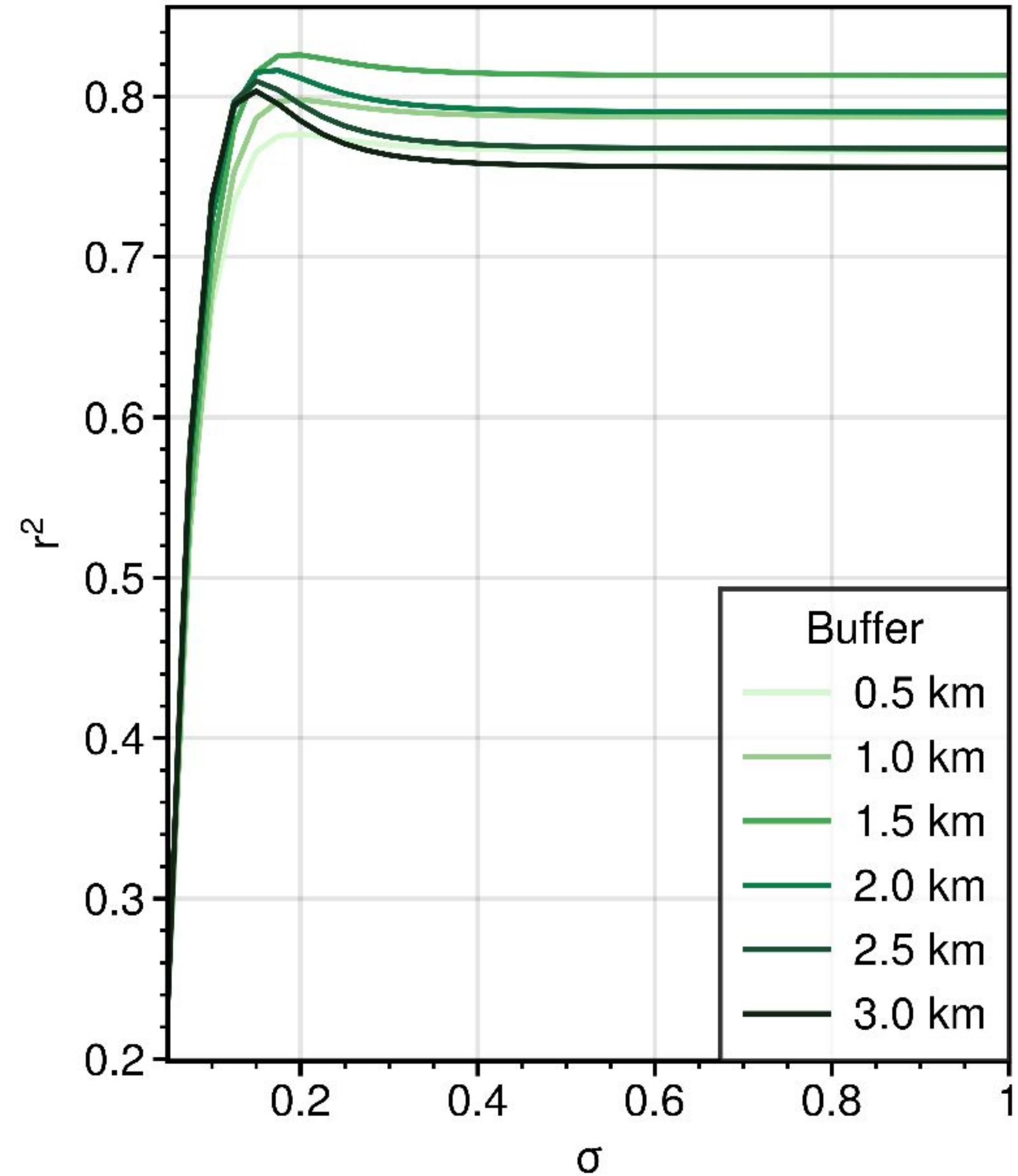


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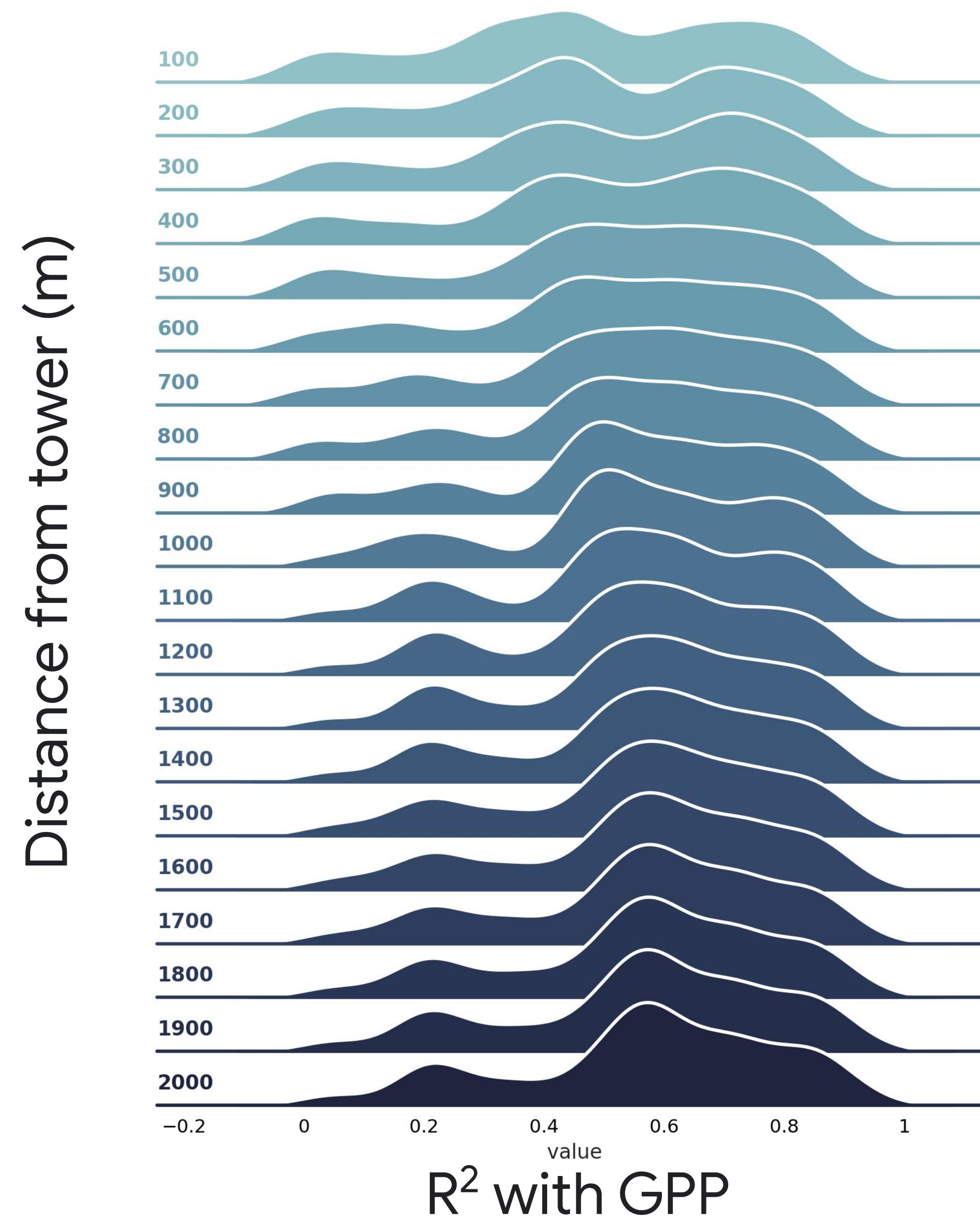


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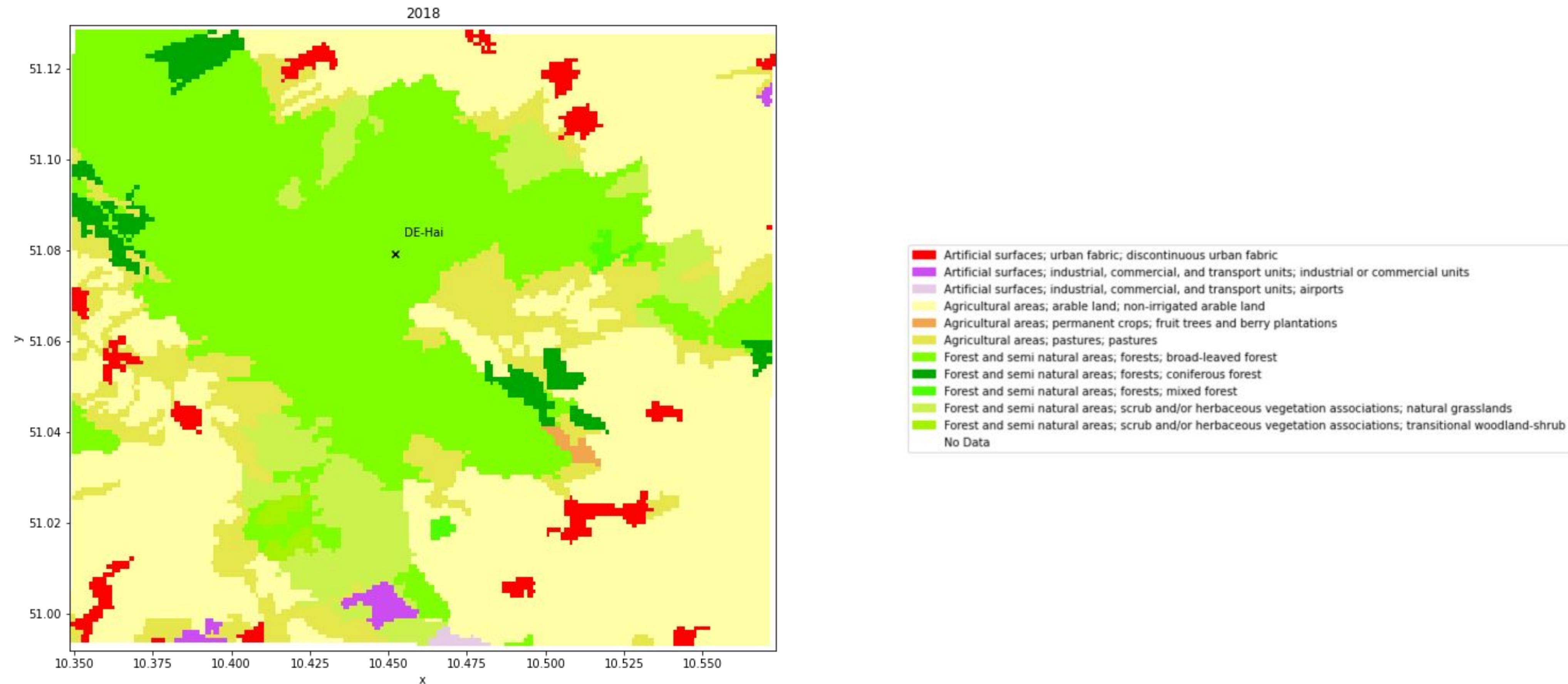
Coefficient of determination between kNDVI and GPP
for different values of σ over the DE-Lnf EC tower



What's the best **area**?



Land cover data



Third Chapter

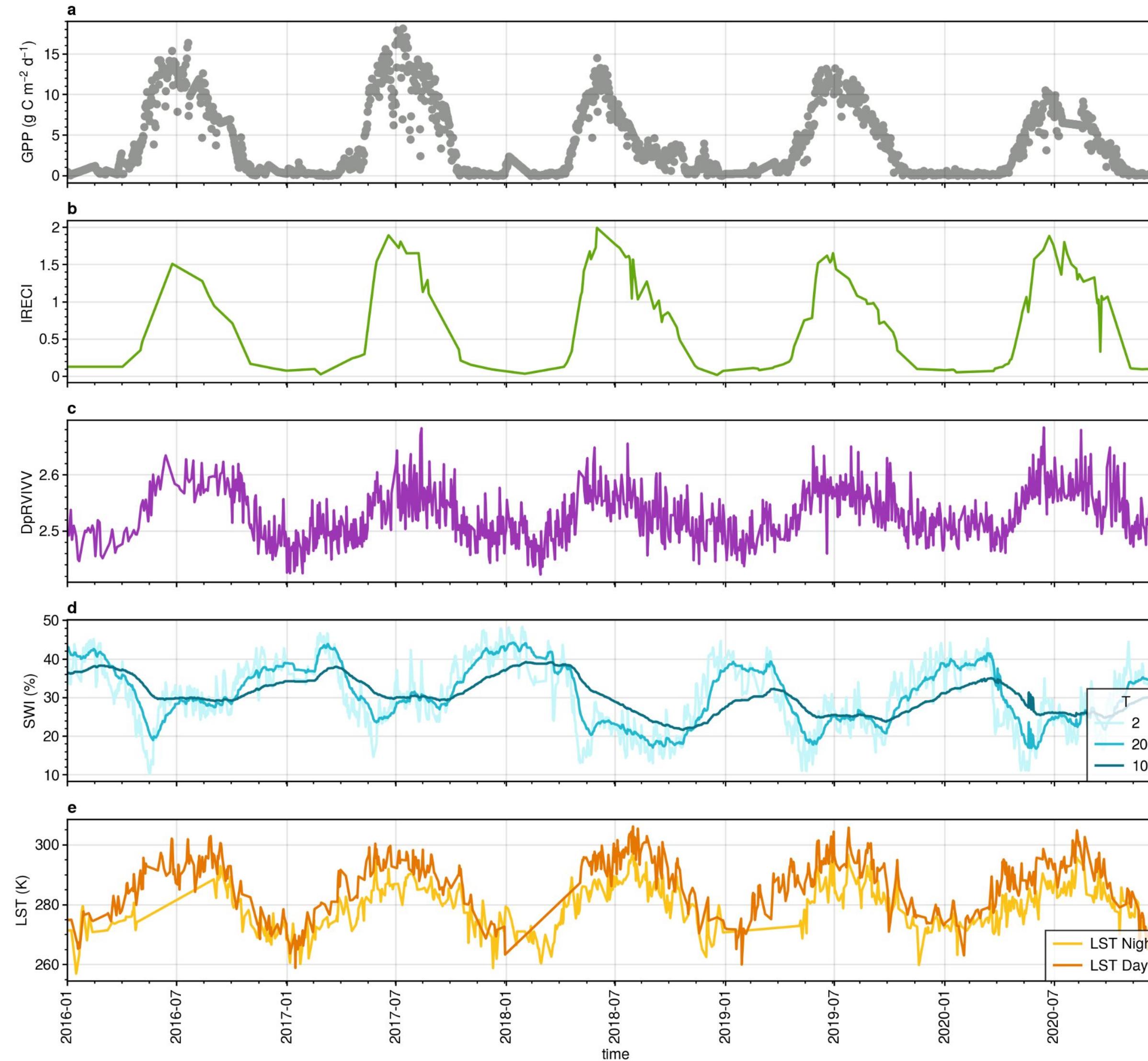
Machine Learning and

Memory

3

Remote Sensing variables

ICOS (2020 Warm Winter Dataset)
Daily GPP ($\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$)



*Illustrative example with 7 features

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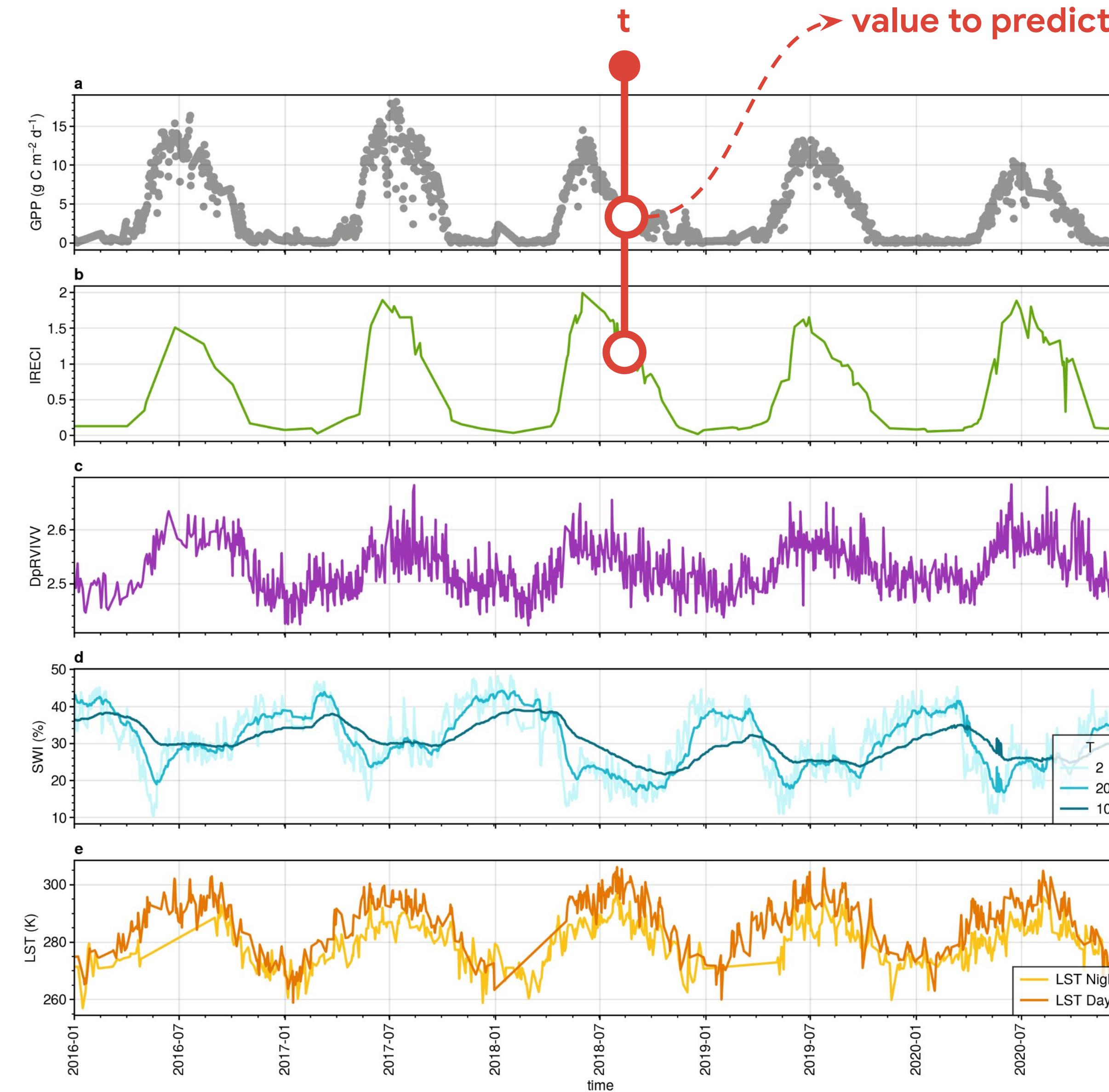
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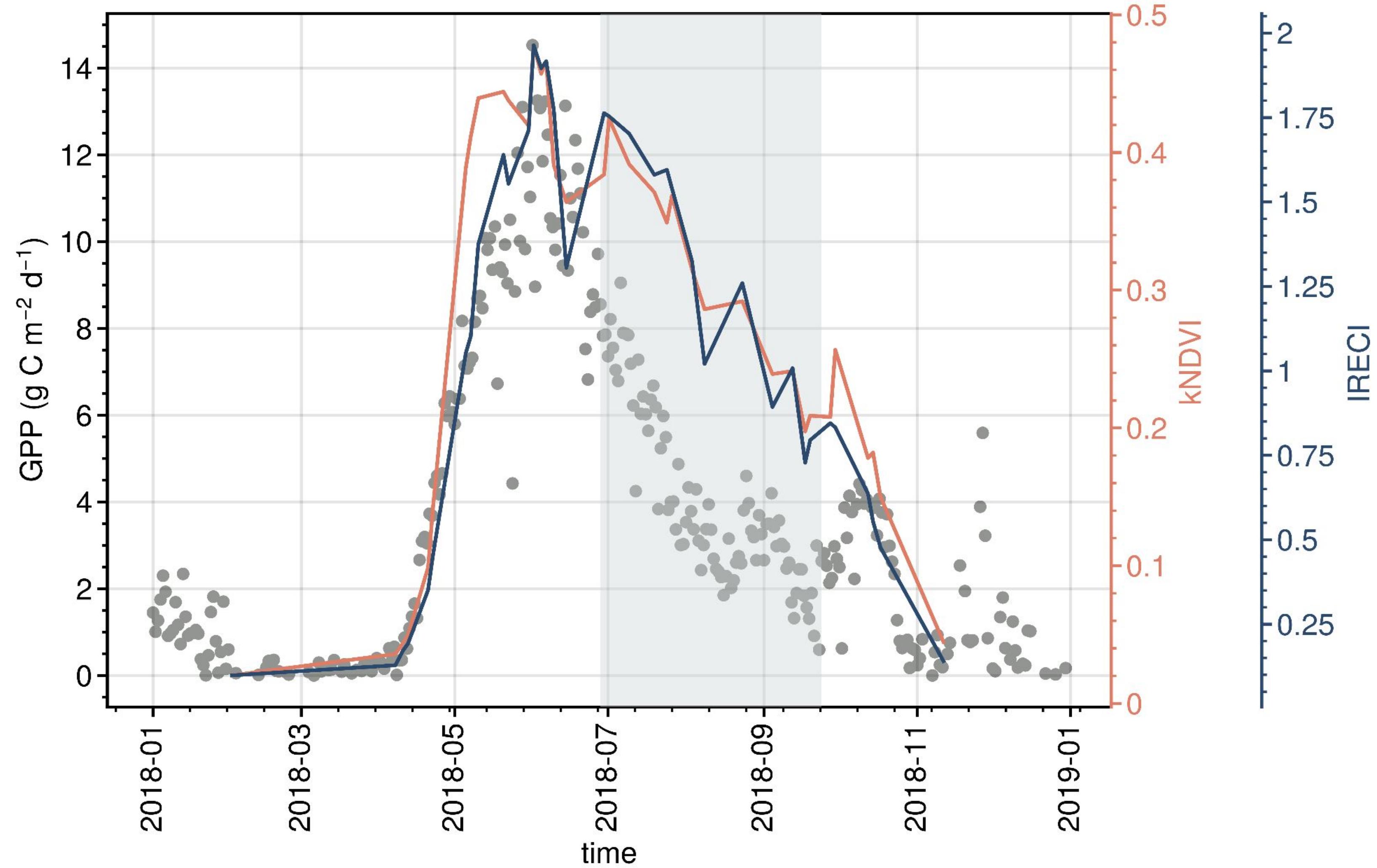
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Linear regression



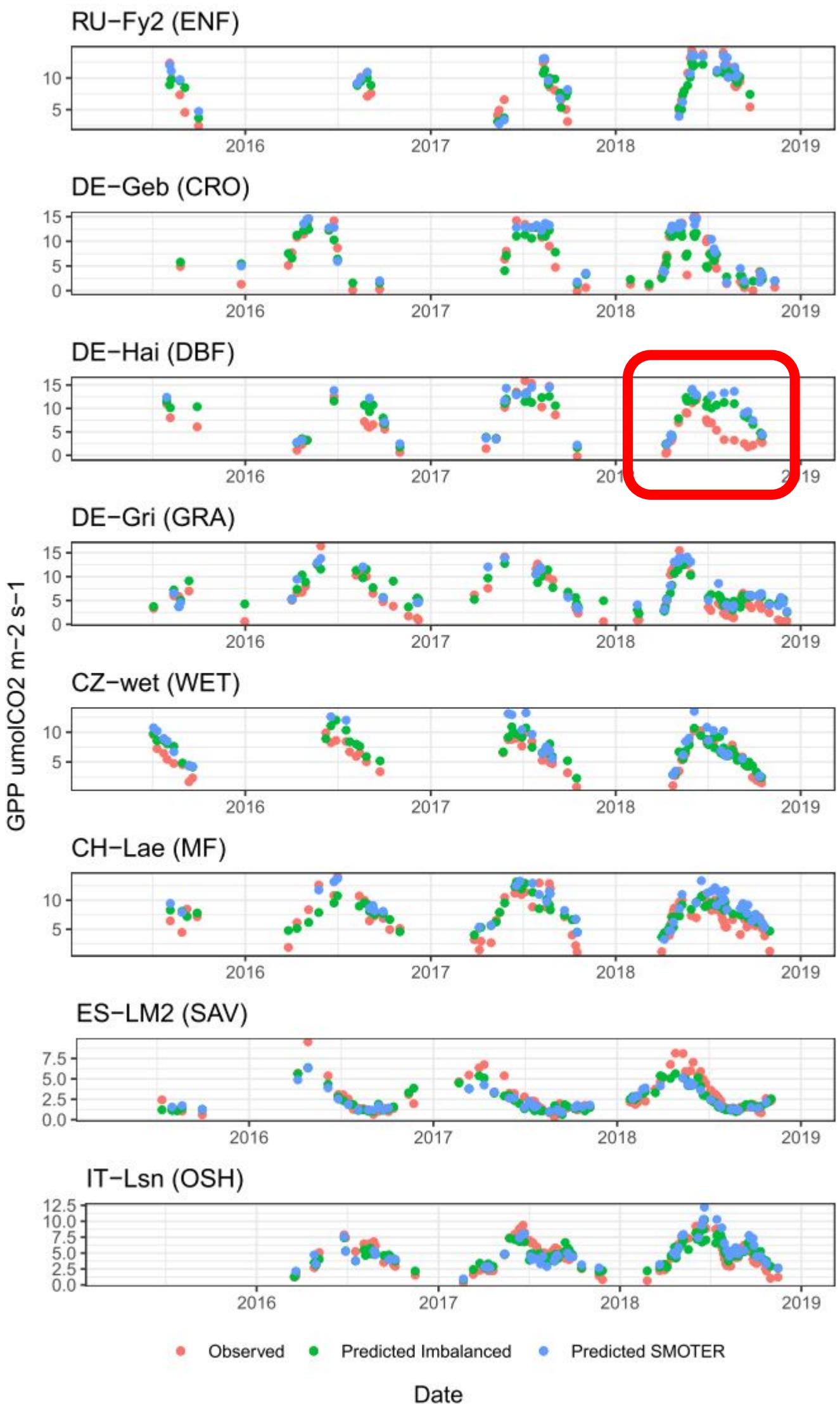
kNDVI: Kernel NDVI

IRECI: Inverted Red Edge Chlorophyll Index

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Random Forests



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Memory of Remote Sensing variables

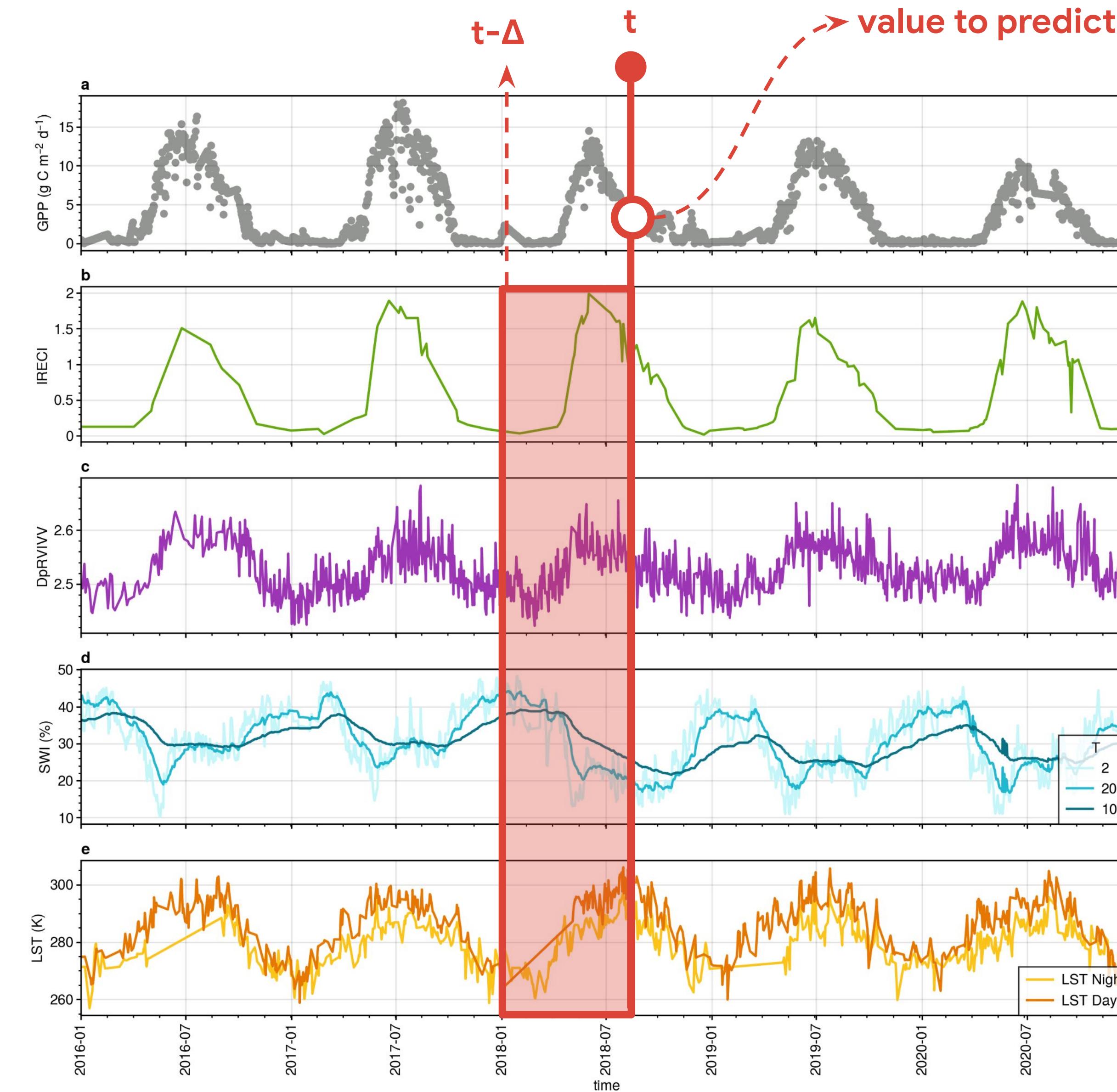
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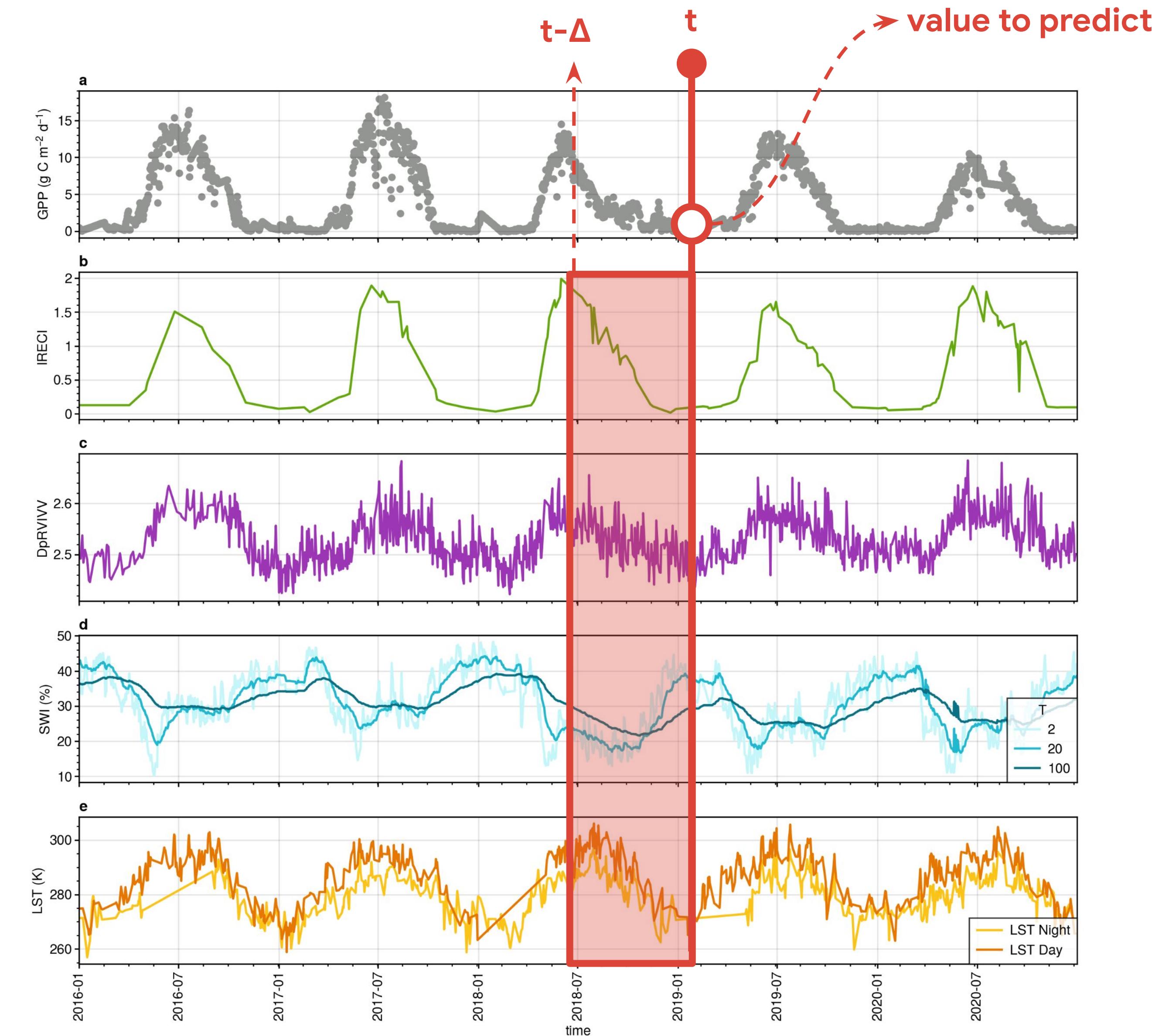
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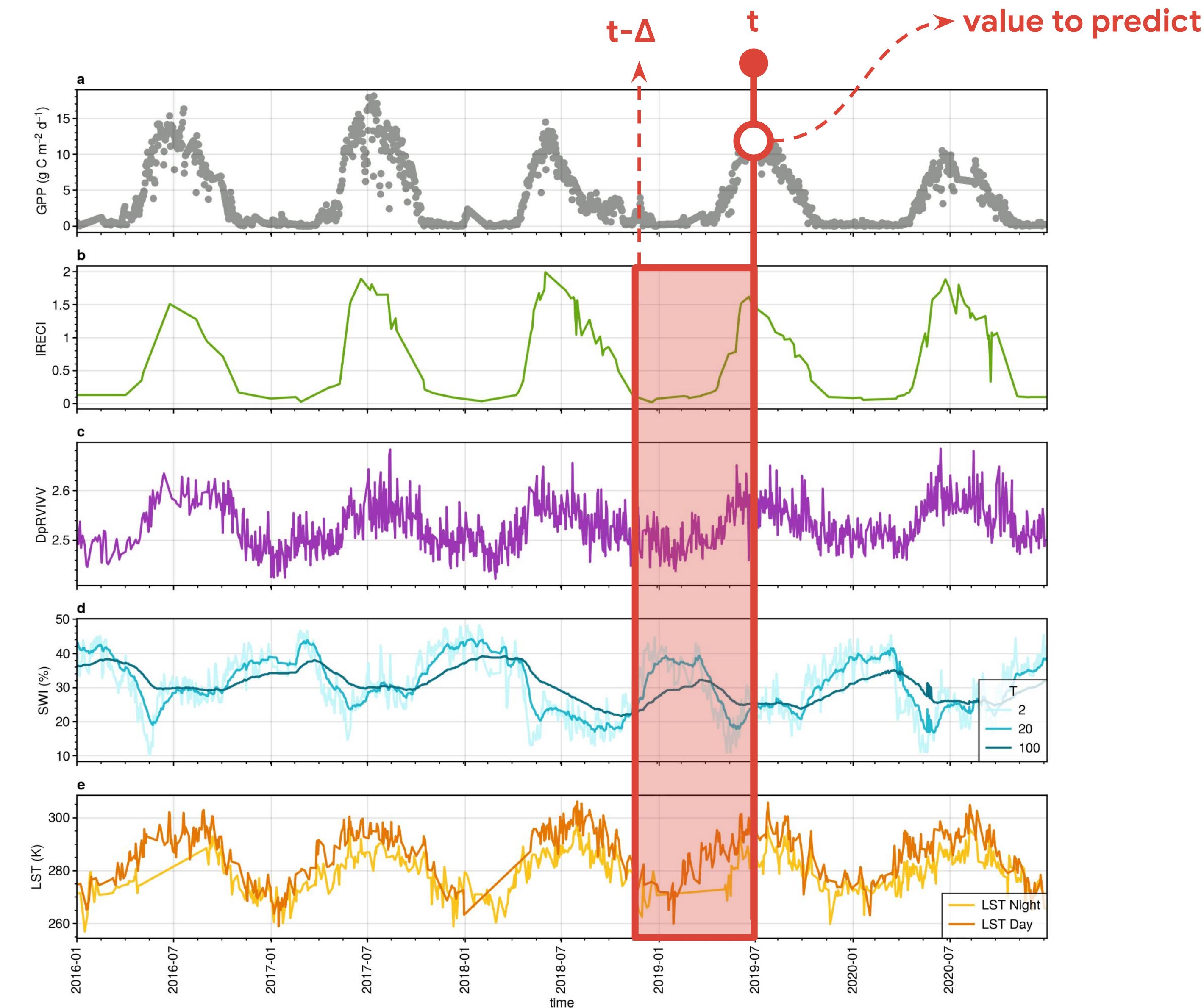
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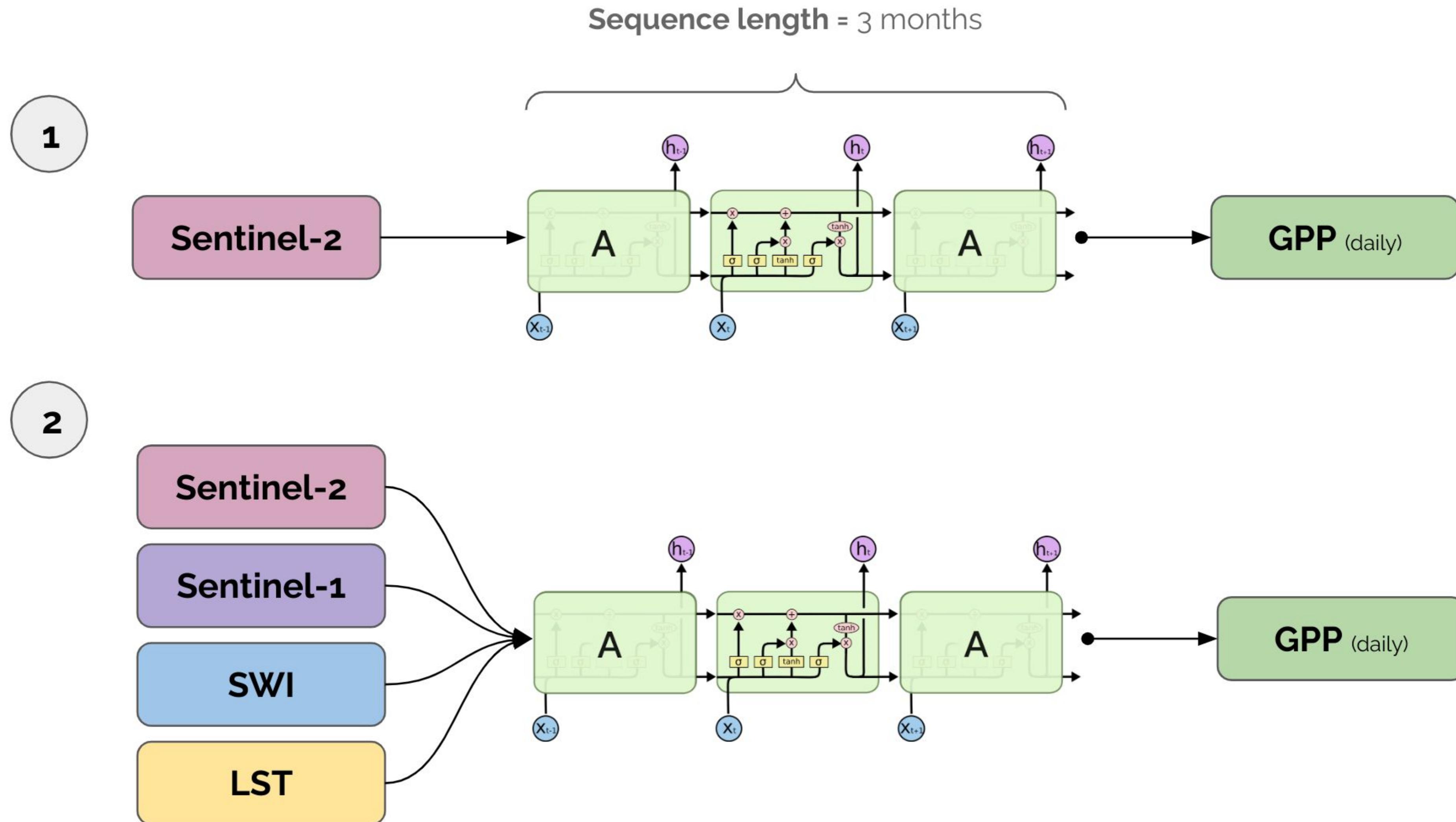
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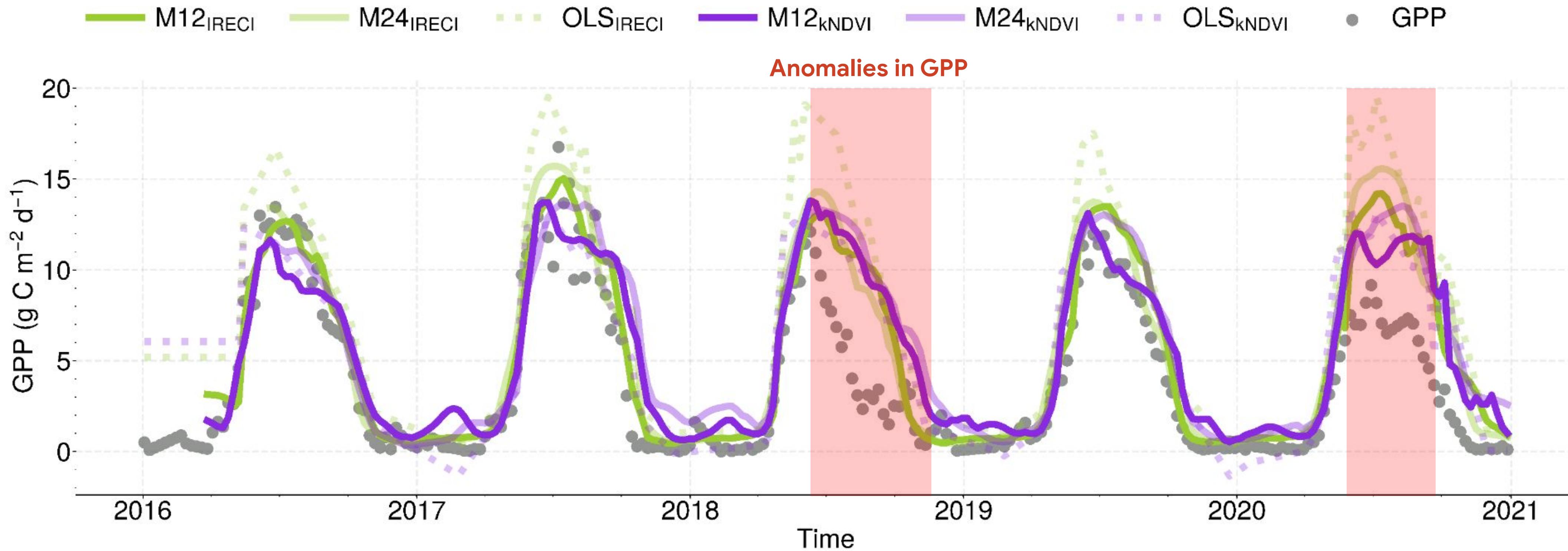
LSTMs



Exp 1. Using only Sentinel-2

Vegetation Indices

*Using **Sentinel-2** in **weekly** predictions



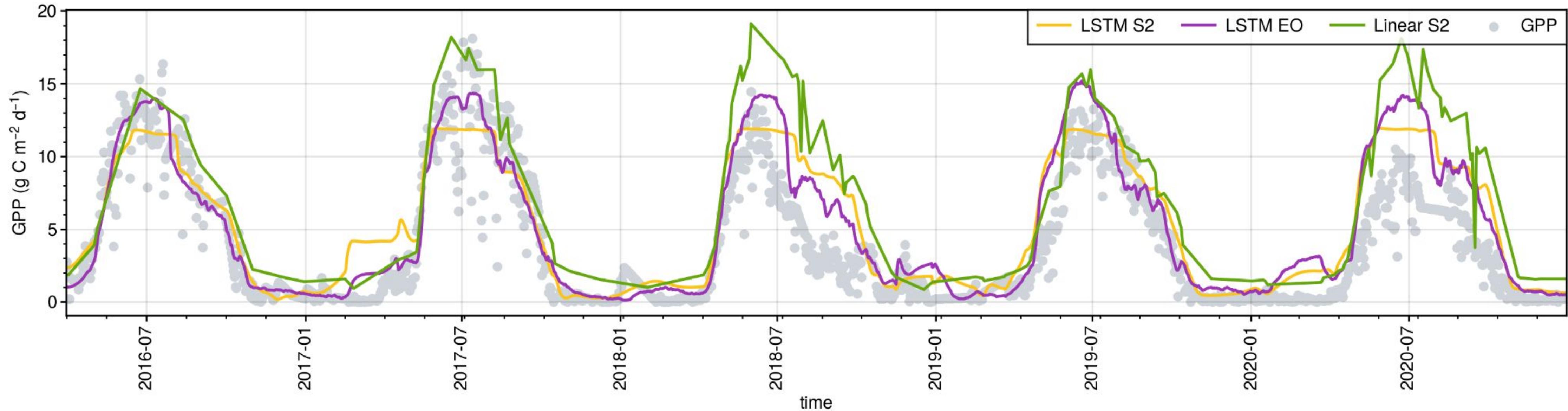
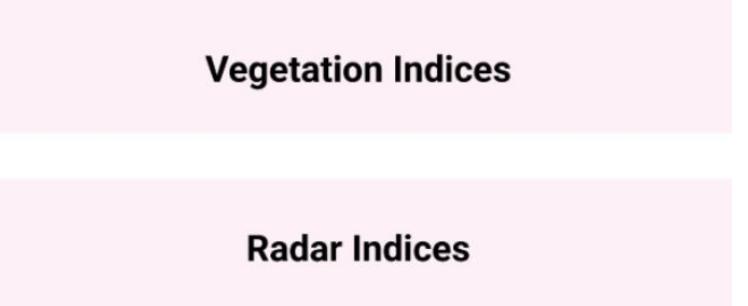
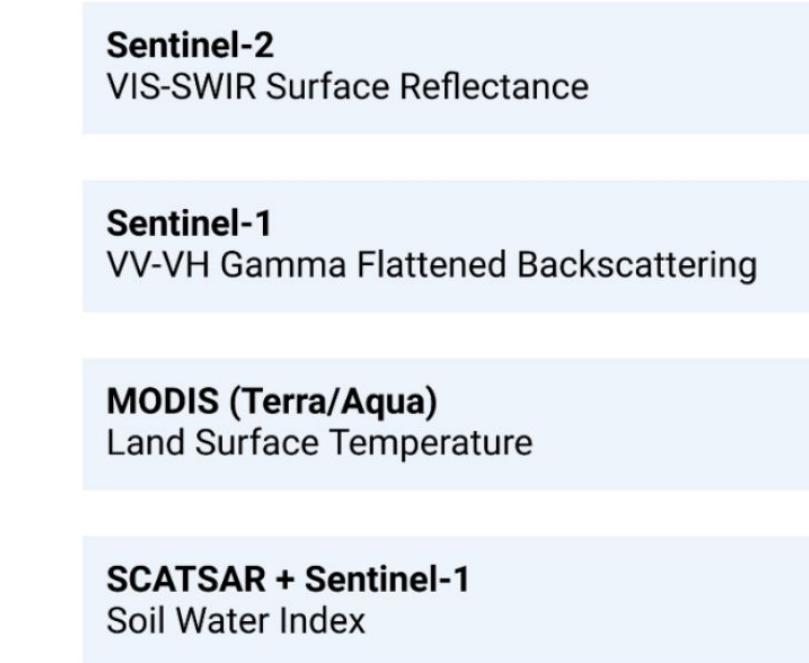
IRECI RMSE = **2.85** $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$
kNDVI RMSE = **3.03** $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$

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Exp 2. Adding more RS variables

*Using all features in daily predictions

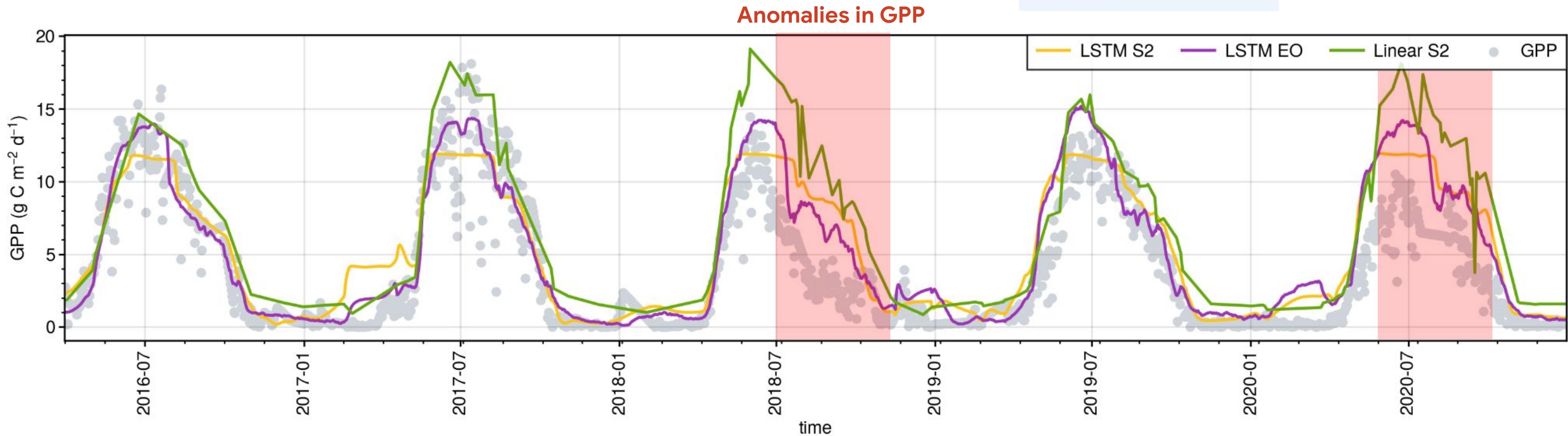
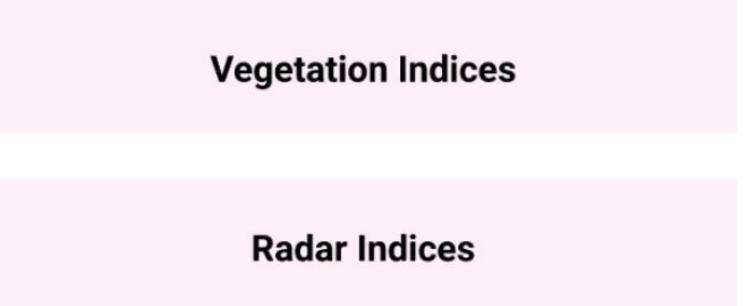
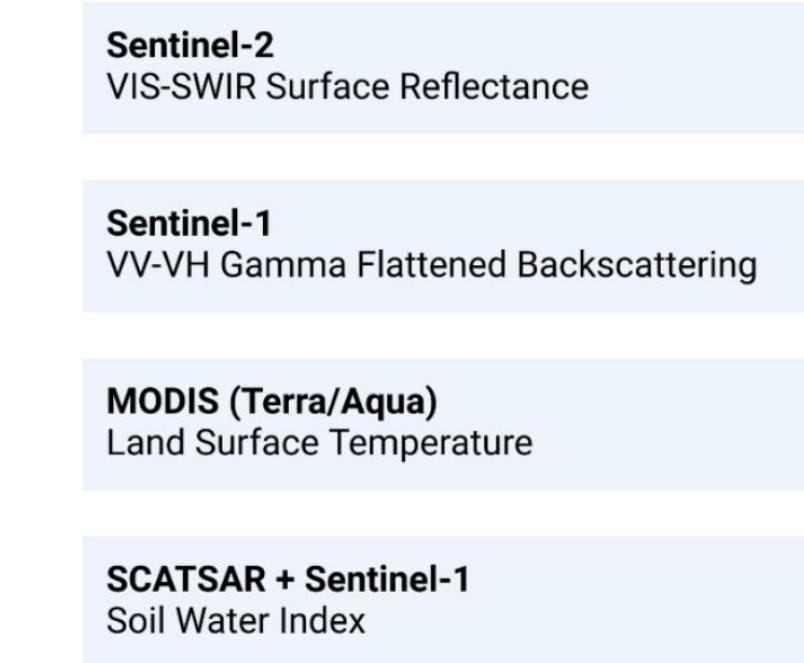


Only Sentinel-2
Whole EO set

RMSE = 2.50 $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$
RMSE = 2.41 $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$

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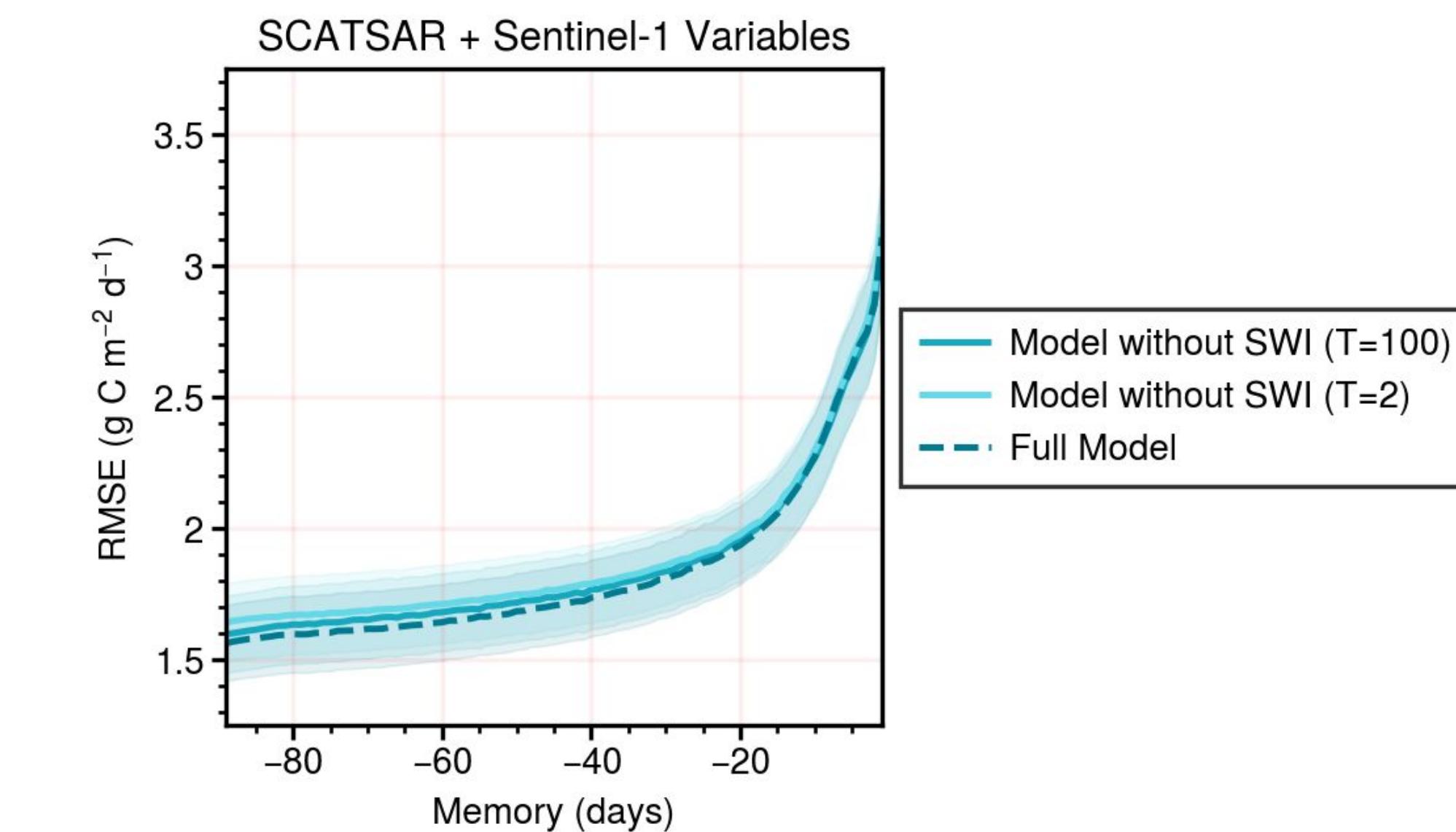
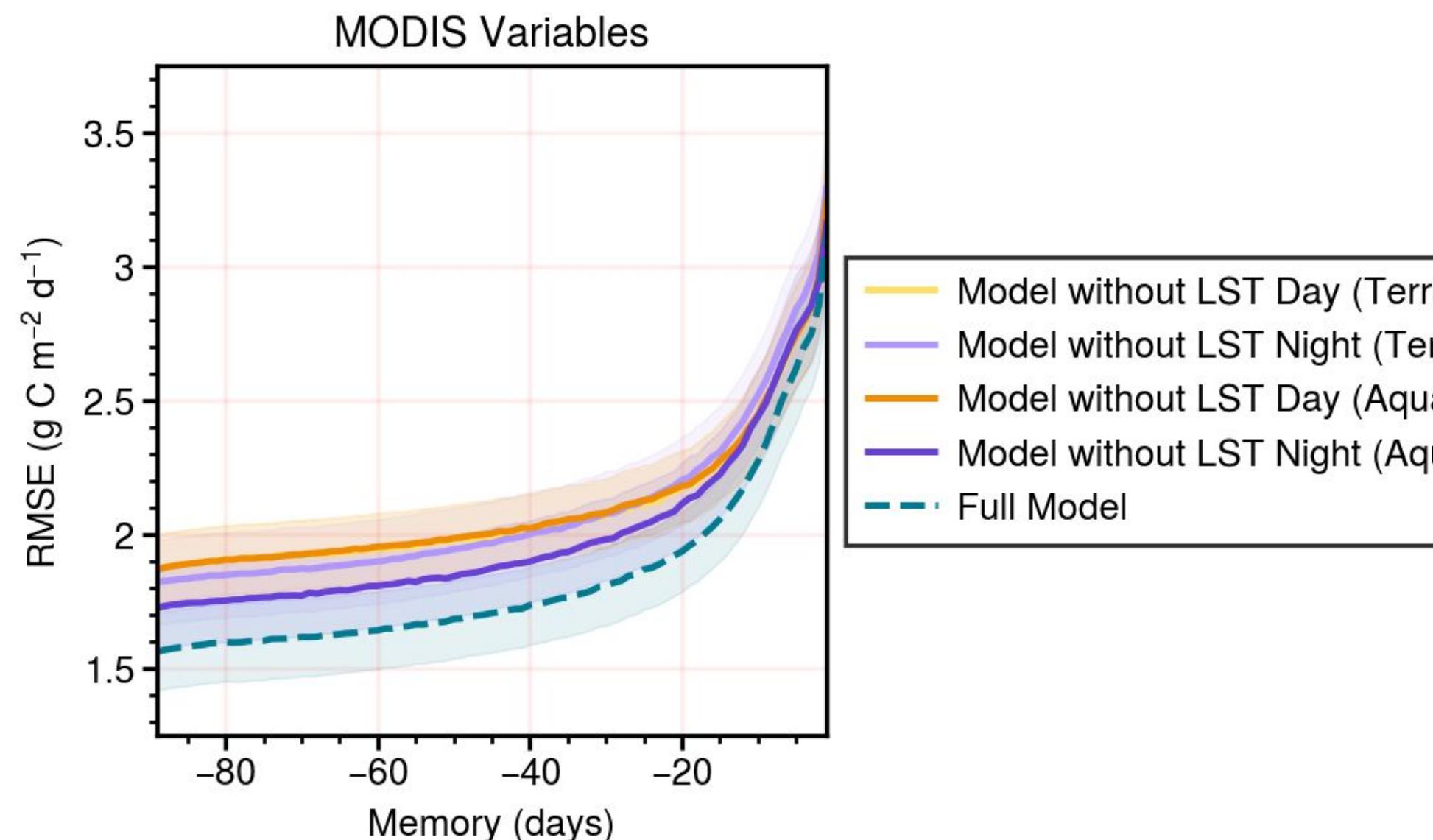
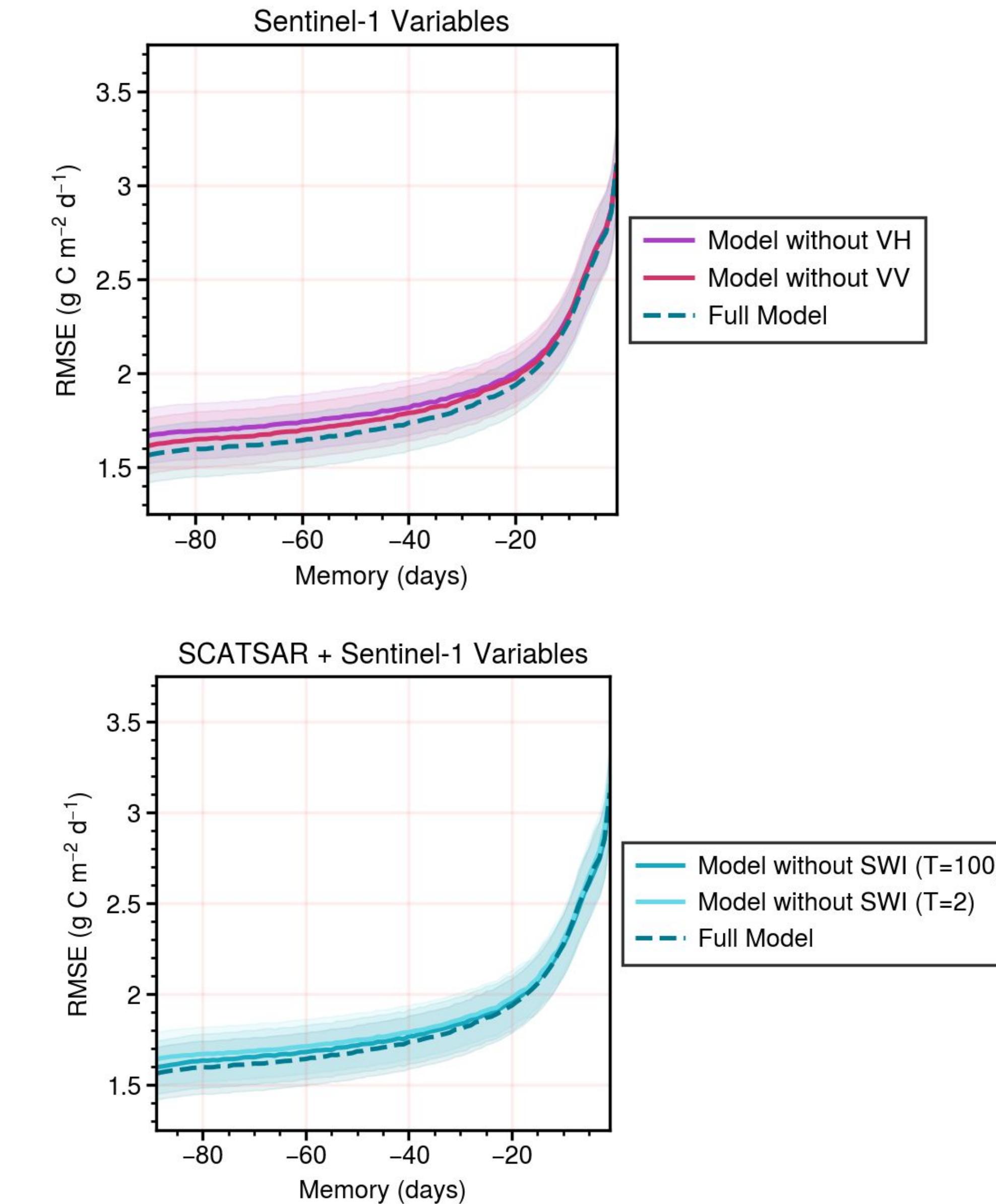
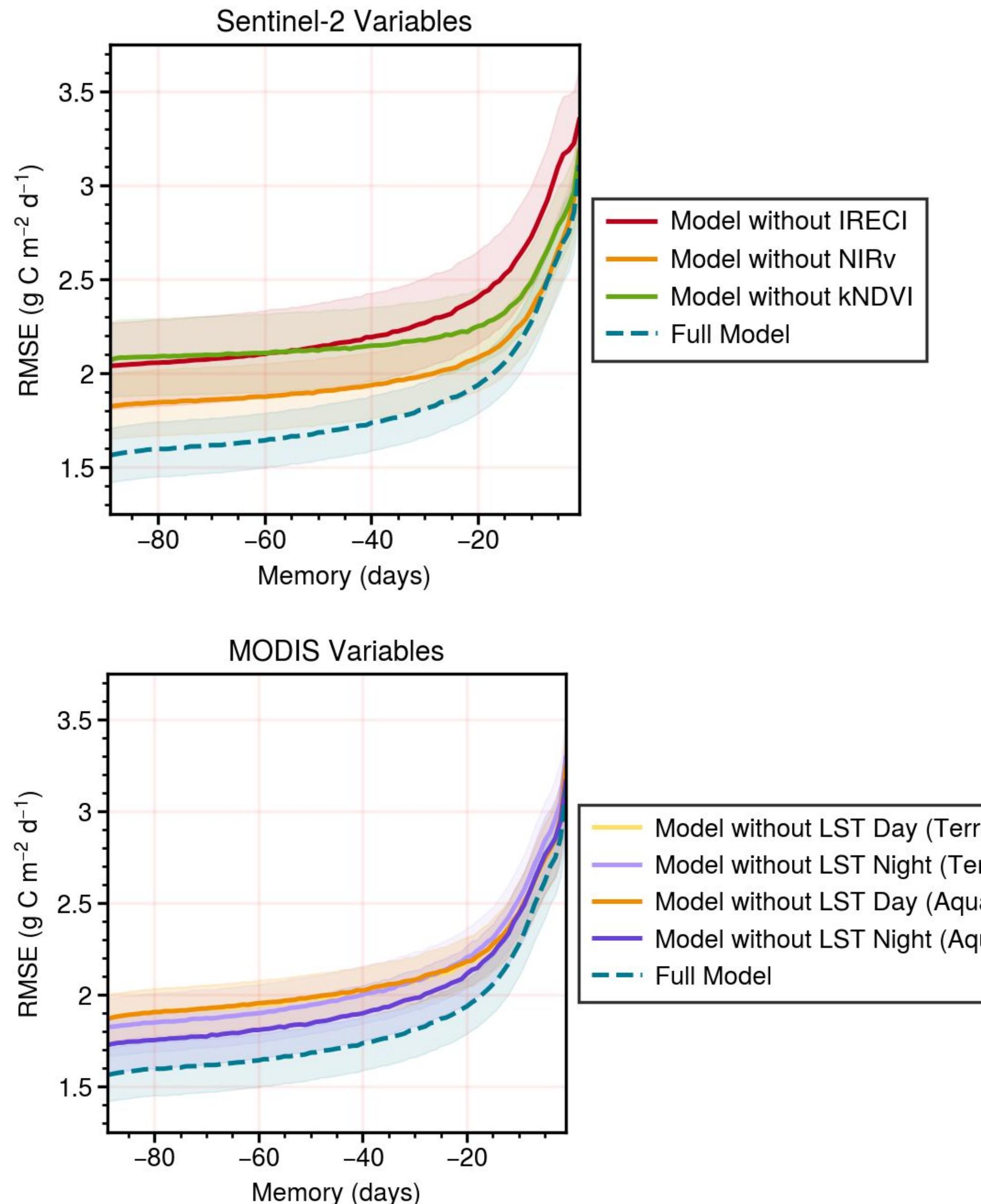
RMSE = **2.50** $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$
RMSE = **2.41** $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$

Only extreme events

RMSE = **5.24** $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$
RMSE = **4.89** $\text{g C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$

Exp 3. The importance of memory

*Using a test set of features
in **daily** predictions



Fourth Chapter

Additional Inputs?

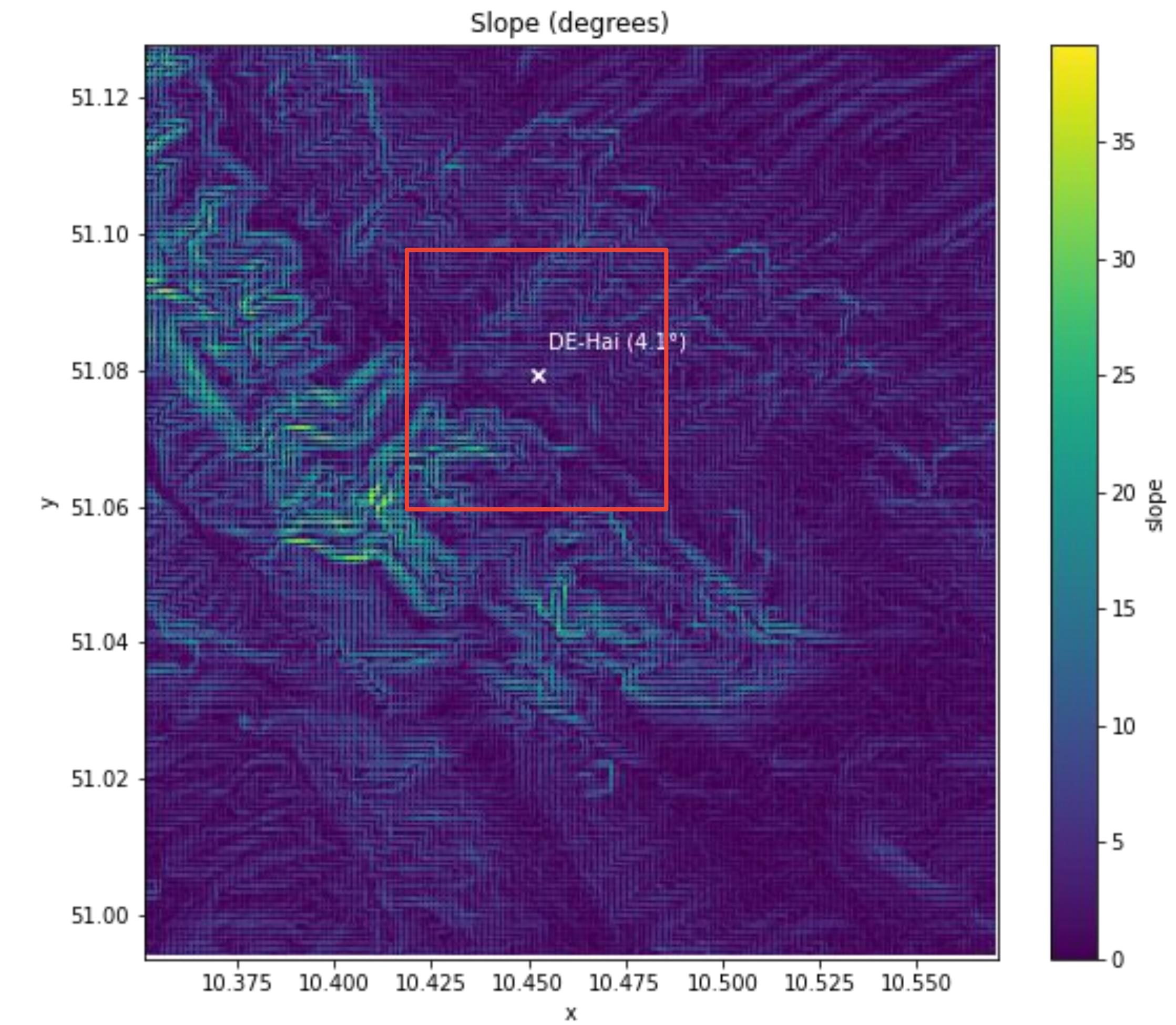
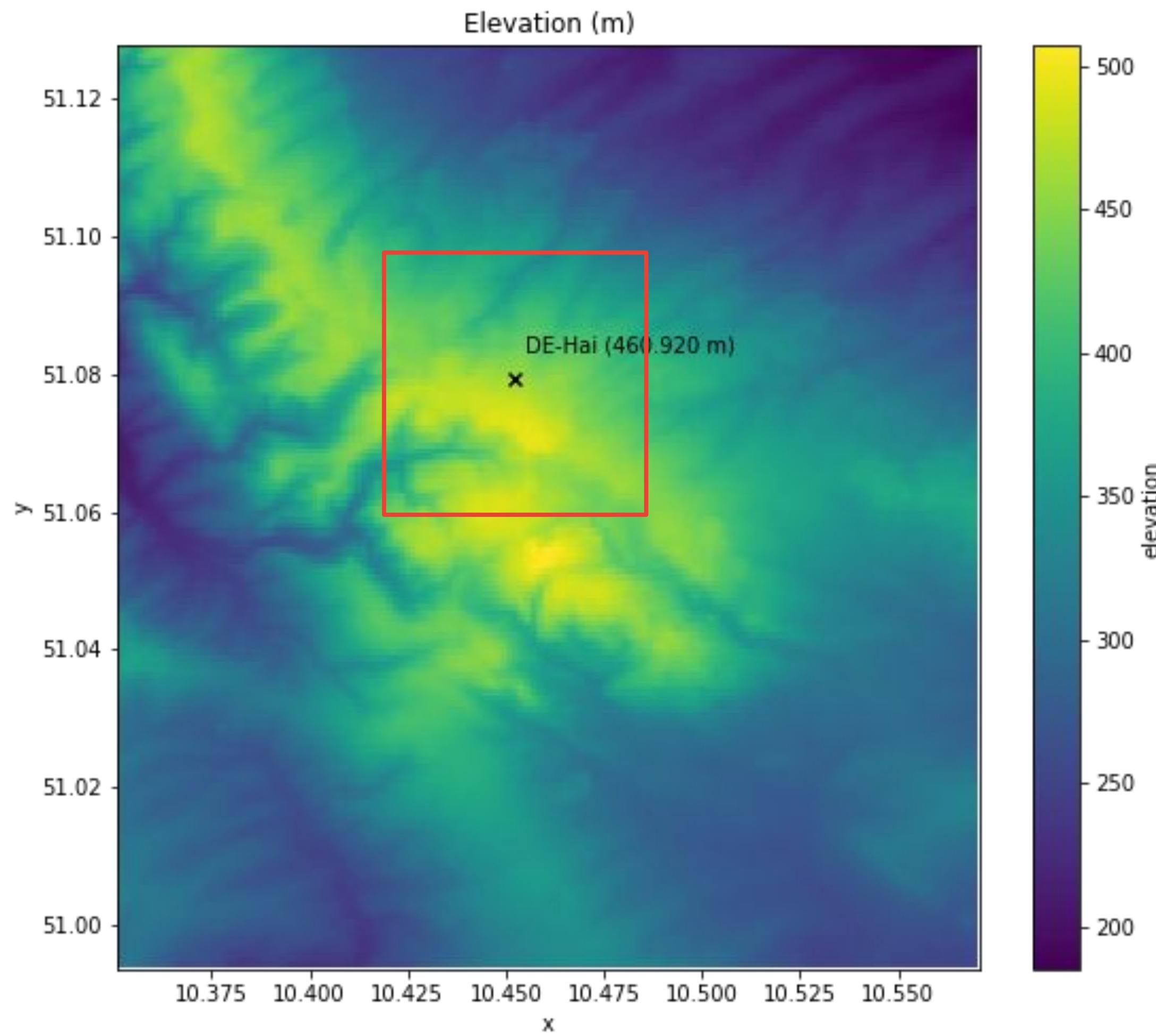
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CIRE: Chlorophyll Index Red Edge

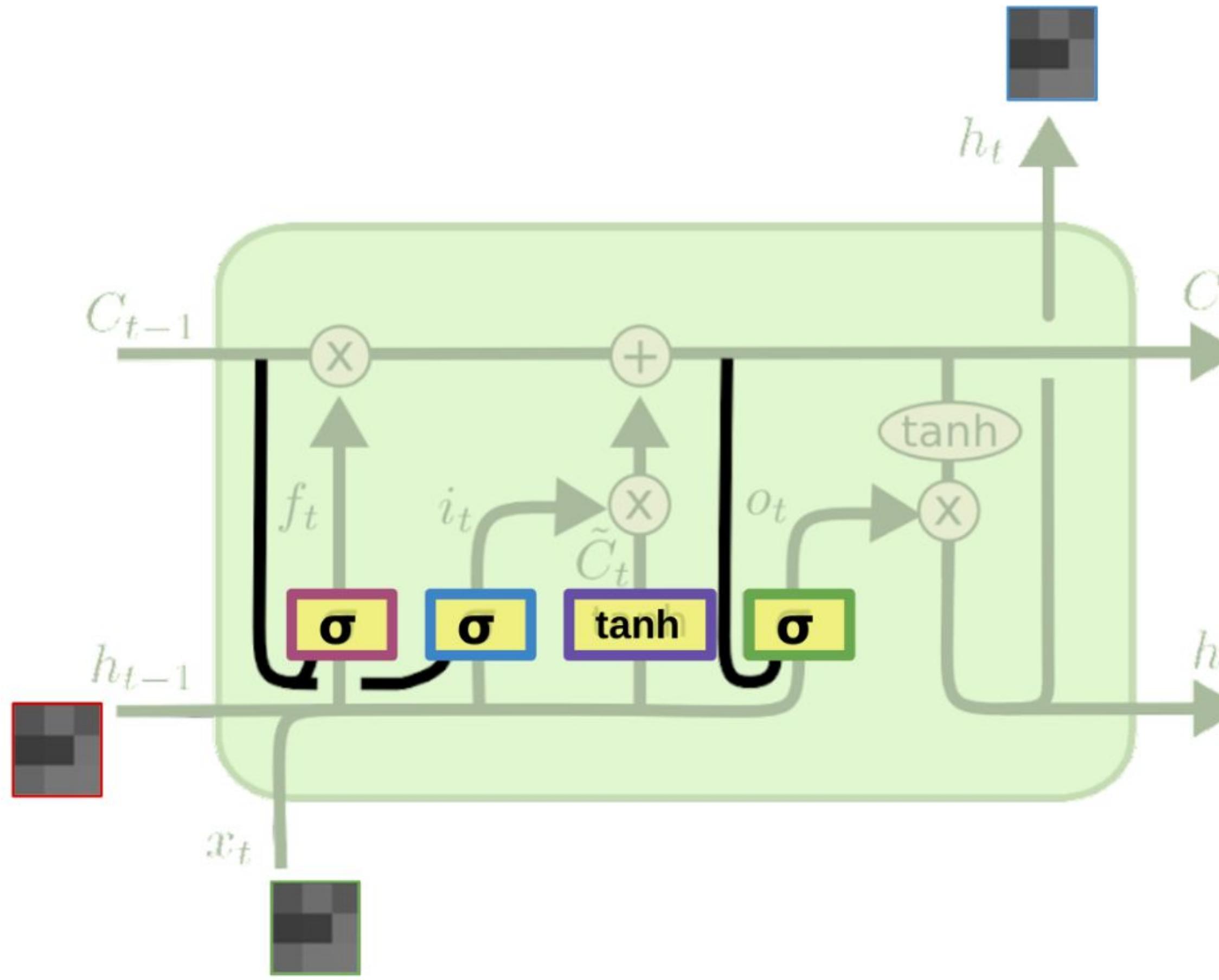


CIRE is another chlorophyll-related index. Its behaviour is close to the IRECI's behaviour.

Topography

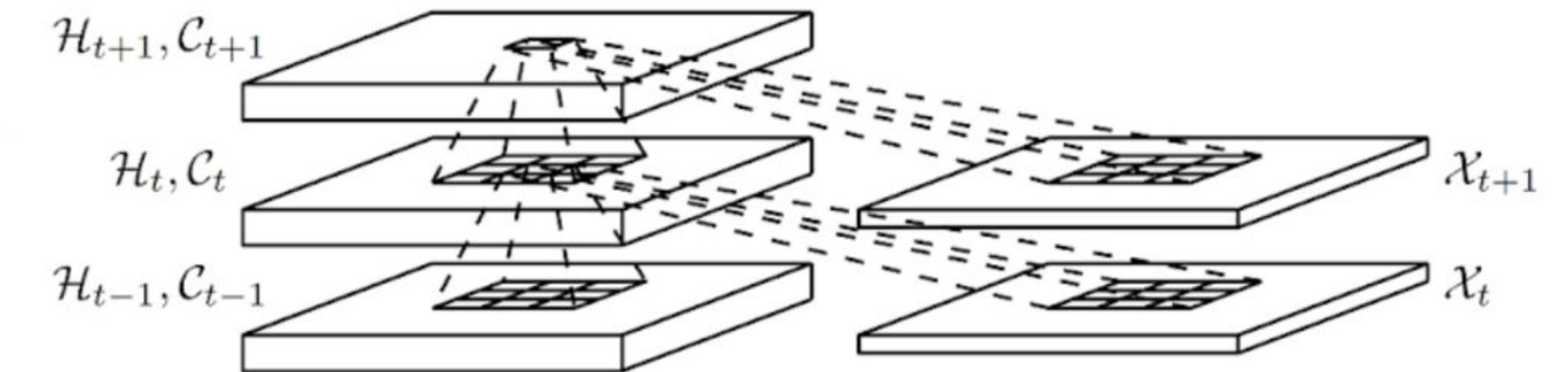


ConvLSTMs



Now we use convolutions!!

$$i_t = \sigma(W_{xi} * \mathcal{X}_t + W_{hi} * \mathcal{H}_{t-1} + W_{ci} \circ \mathcal{C}_{t-1} + b_i)$$
$$f_t = \sigma(W_{xf} * \mathcal{X}_t + W_{hf} * \mathcal{H}_{t-1} + W_{cf} \circ \mathcal{C}_{t-1} + b_f)$$
$$\mathcal{C}_t = f_t \circ \mathcal{C}_{t-1} + i_t \circ \tanh(W_{xc} * \mathcal{X}_t + W_{hc} * \mathcal{H}_{t-1} + b_c)$$
$$o_t = \sigma(W_{xo} * \mathcal{X}_t + W_{ho} * \mathcal{H}_{t-1} + W_{co} \circ \mathcal{C}_t + b_o)$$
$$\mathcal{H}_t = o_t \circ \tanh(\mathcal{C}_t)$$



Summary Take-home message

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Exploiting the memory of Remote Sensing signals improves the GPP estimation in forests.

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Thank you!

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Support Slides

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From: [A standardized catalogue of spectral indices to advance the use of remote sensing in Earth system research](#)

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		TM	ETM+	OLI	MSI-2A	MSI-2B	MODIS
Aerosols	A			1 (440.0)	1 (442.7)	1 (442.3)	
Blue	B	1 (485.0)	1 (485.0)	2 (480.0)	2 (492.4)	2 (492.1)	3 (469.0)
Green 1	G1						11 (531.0)
Green	G	2 (560.0)	2 (560.0)	3 (560.0)	3 (559.8)	3 (559.0)	4 (555.0)
Yellow	Y						
Red	R	3 (660.0)	3 (660.0)	4 (655.0)	4 (664.6)	4 (665.0)	1 (645.0)
Red Edge 1	RE1				5 (704.1)	5 (703.8)	
Red Edge 2	RE2				6 (740.5)	6 (739.1)	
Red Edge 3	RE3				7 (782.8)	7 (779.7)	
Near Infrared	N	4 (830.0)	4 (835.0)	5 (865.0)	8 (832.8)	8 (833.0)	2 (858.5)
Near Infrared 2	N2				8A (864.7)	8A (864.0)	
Water Vapour	WV				9 (945.1)	9 (943.2)	
Short-wave Infrared 1	S1	5 (1650.0)	5 (1650.0)	6 (1610.0)	11 (1613.7)	11 (1610.4)	6 (1640.0)
Short-wave Infrared 2	S2	7 (2215.0)	7 (2220.0)	7 (2200.0)	12 (2202.4)	12 (2185.7)	7 (2130.0)
Thermal Infrared	T	6 (11450.0)	6 (11450.0)				
Thermal Infrared 1	T1			10 (10895.0)			
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Table 3 Standard additional parameters naming and the spectral indices where they are used.

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Parameter	Standard	Spectral Indices
Gain Factor	g	EVI
Canopy Background Adjustment	L	EVI, EVI2, MNLI, SARVI, SAVI, SAVIT
First Coefficient for the aerosol resistance term	C1	EVI, kEVI
Second Coefficient for the aerosol resistance term	C2	EVI, kEVI
c correction factor	cexp	OCVI
n exponent for the SR power operation	nexp	GDVI
α weighting coefficient	alpha	BWDRVI, NDPI, WDRVI
β calibration parameter	beta	NDSI _{ns}
γ weighting coefficient	gamma	ARVI
ω weighting coefficient	omega	MBWI
$f(\Delta)$ adjustment factor for terrain shadows distortion	fdelta	SEVI
Soil line slope	sla	ATSAVI, SAVI2, TSAVI, WDV1
Soil line intercept	slb	ATSAVI, SAVI2, TSAVI
Photosynthetically Active Radiation	PAR	NIRvP
Soil slope parameter	k	NIRvH2
Center wavelength of band A (nm)	lambdaA	DVI+, NDGI, NIRvH2
Kernel function of A and B	kAB	kEVI, kNDVI, kRVI, kVARI

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```
idx = spyndex.computeIndex(  
    index=[ "NDVI", "NIRv", "kNDVI"],  
    N=da.sel(band="B08"),  
    R=da.sel(band="B04"),  
    kNN=1.0,  
    kNR=spyndex.computeKernel(  
        kernel="RBF",  
        a=da.sel(band="B08"),  
        b=da.sel(band="B04"),  
        sigma=da.sel(band=[ "B08", "B04" ]).mean("band").median("time")  
    )  
)
```

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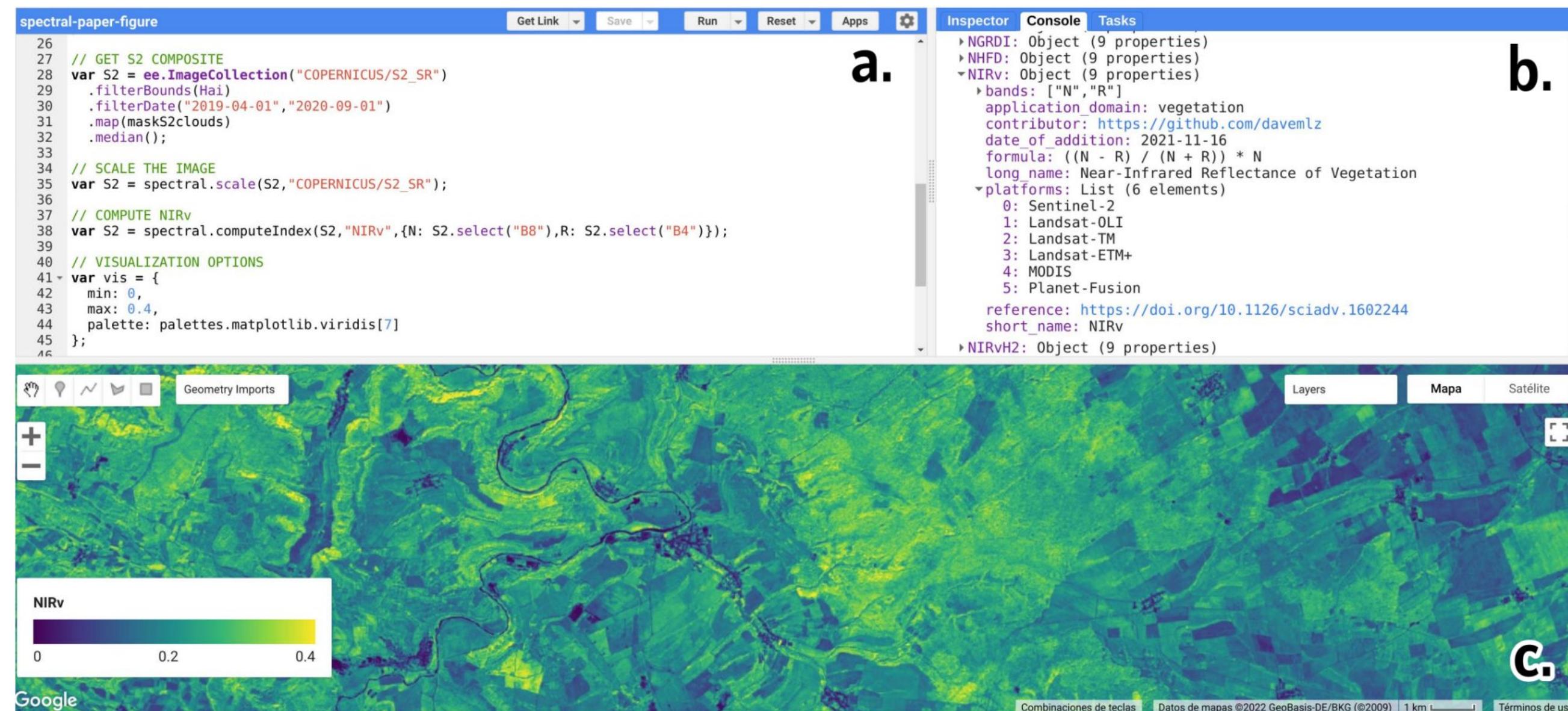
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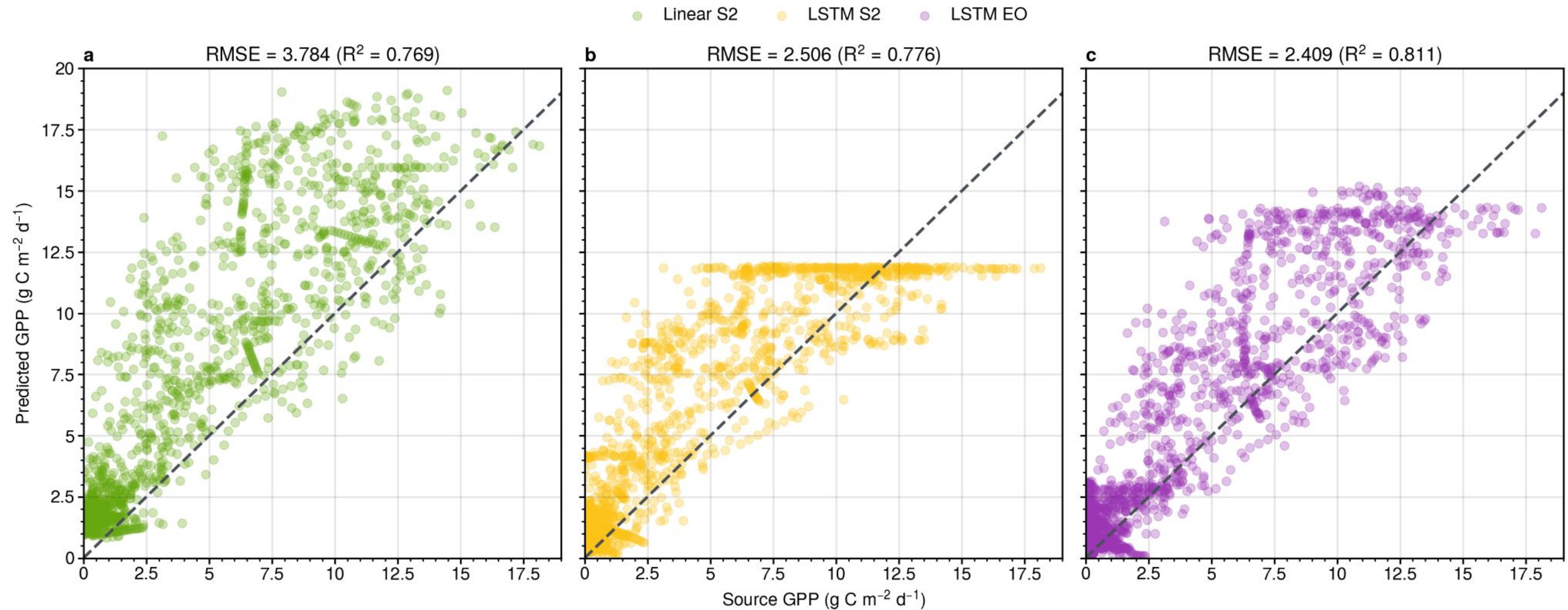
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Exp 2. Scatter plots



Exp 2. Scatter plots under extreme events

