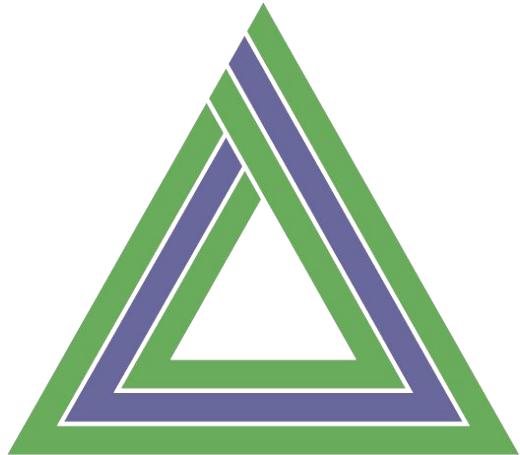


# Spatial Data Analysis With Python

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PyData Berlin 2018

<https://github.com/dillongardner/PyDataSpatialAnalysis>

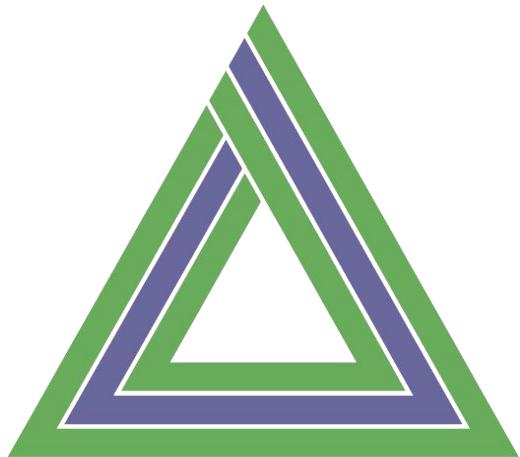


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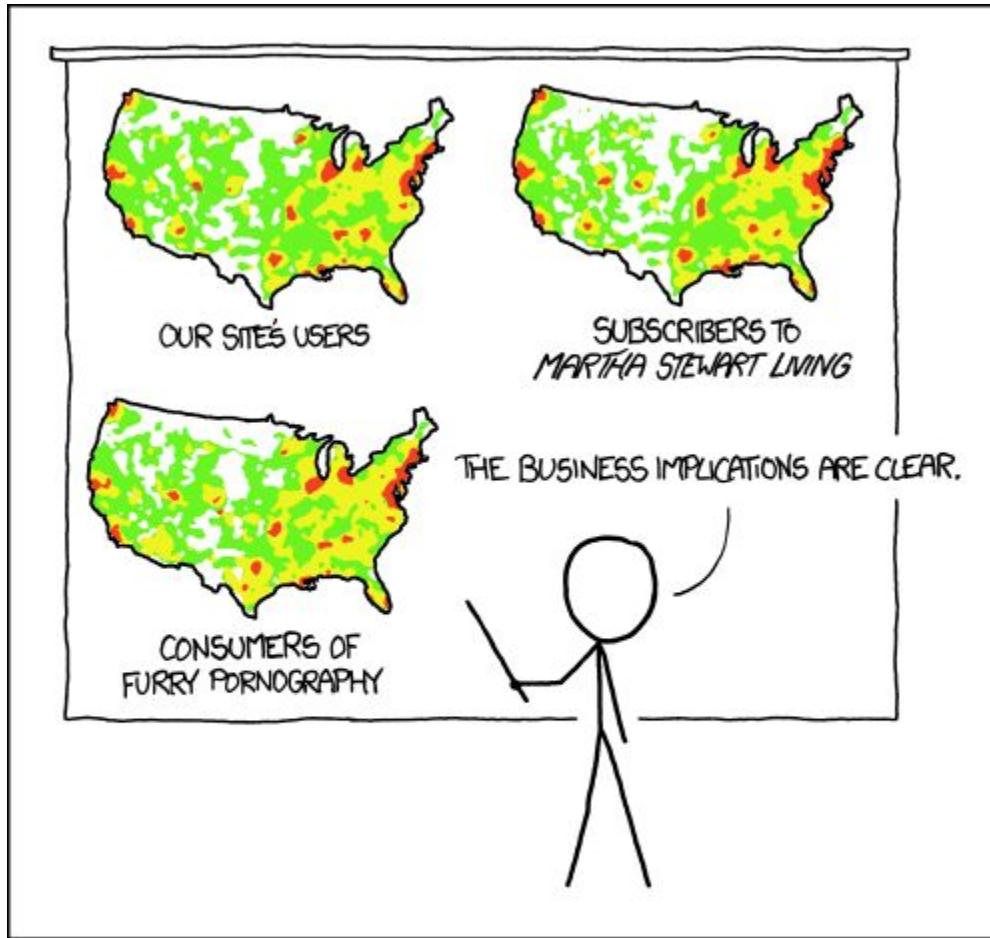
# Spatial Data Use Cases



**A P O L L O**  
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- Credit Modeling
- Fraud Detection
- Analyze Customers Farms
- Route Field Agents

# Prerequisite Web Comic



<https://www.xkcd.com/1138/>

# What is geospatial data?

*Data that refer to specific locations on the Earth*

- Vector Data
  - Point (Current GPS reading)
  - Line (Street)
  - Polygon (Maize Field)
- Raster Data
  - Thematic/Discrete (Land use)
  - Continuous (Satellite imagery)



# Vector Data

**What it is:** Defined region in space with associated properties

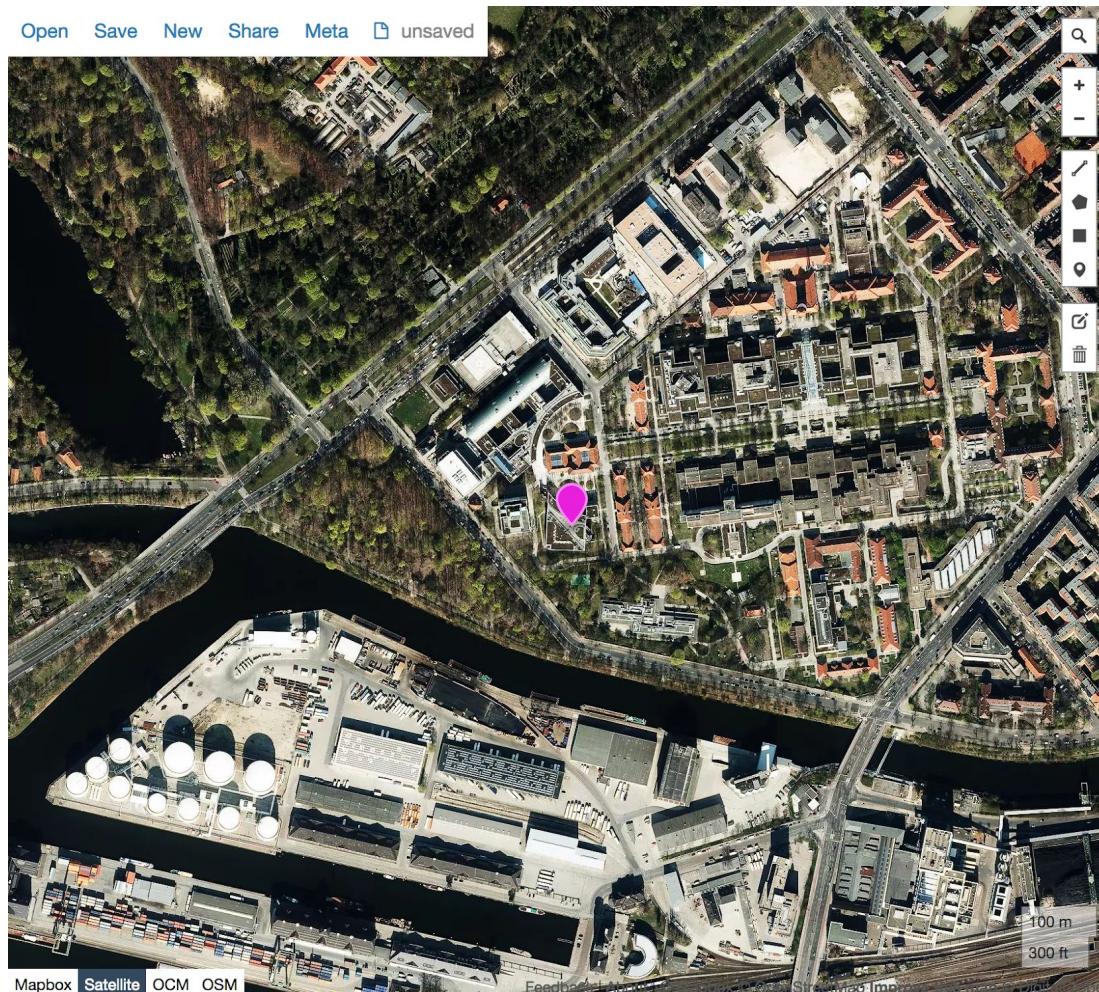
**Typical file formats:** Shapefiles (.shp), GeoJSON, Database Geometries, Well-Known-Text (WKT), Well-Known-Binary (WKB)

**Data Sources:** Government and NGO surveys, GPS data, OpenStreetMap

**Python Libraries:** [shapely](#), [fiona](#), [geopandas](#), [GDAL/OGR](#)

```
{  
  "type": "FeatureCollection",  
  "features": [  
    {  
      "type": "Feature",  
      "properties": {  
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        "marker-size": "medium",  
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      },  
      "geometry": {  
        "type": "Point",  
        "coordinates": [  
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          52.5409910220435  
        ]  
      }  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

# Vector Data



Aerial map of Berlin showing a satellite view of a city area. A pink marker is placed on the map, indicating a specific location. The map includes a legend with zoom controls (+, -, search, edit, etc.) and a scale bar (100 m, 300 ft). The interface includes a top navigation bar with Open, Save, New, Share, Meta, and unsaved options.

```
</> JSON Table ? Help
```

```
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}
```

<http://geojson.io>

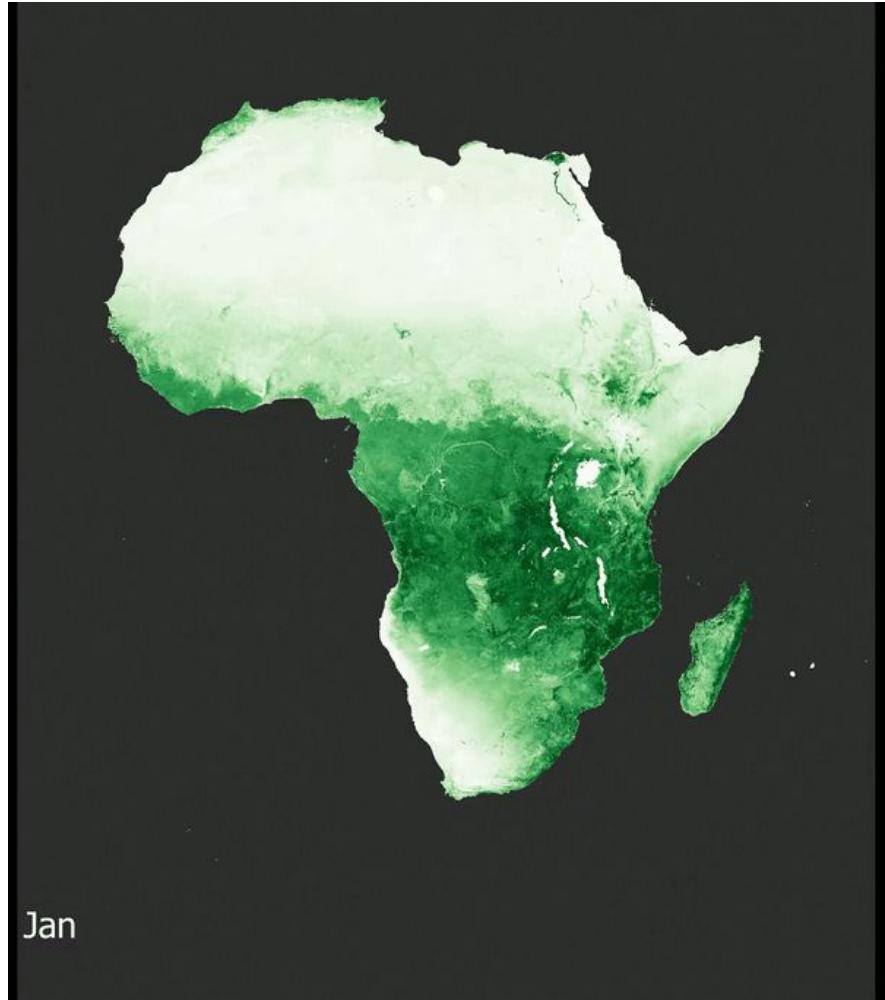
# Raster Data

**What it is:** Raster data (“image”) with associated metadata to translate from pixel location to spacial location

**Typical file formats:** GeoTiff, JPEG

**Data Sources:** Satellites, Aerial Photography, Elevations

**Useful Libraries:** [rasterio](#), [GDAL/OGR](#)



Data : <ftp://africagrids.net/250m/MOD13Q1/Version6/NDVI/Monthly/>

Visualization:

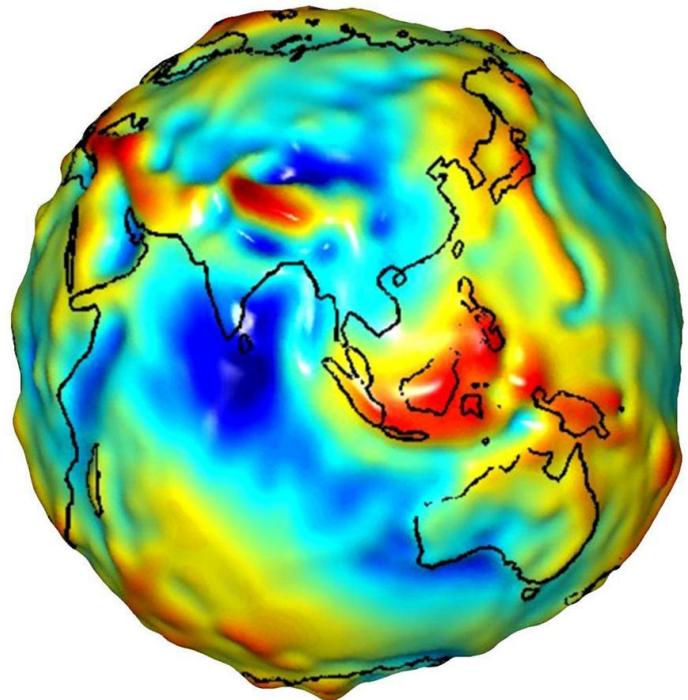
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# “Location” - what does it mean?

- Location always relative to a Coordinate Reference System
- Not all data in the same reference system
- EPSG Geodetic Parameter Set

```
GEOGCS[ "WGS_84" ,  
        DATUM[ "WGS_1984" ,  
               SPHEROID[ "WGS_84" , 6378137 , 298.257223563 ,  
                         AUTHORITY[ "EPSG" , "7030" ] ] ,  
               AUTHORITY[ "EPSG" , "6326" ] ] ,  
        PRIMEM[ "Greenwich" , 0 ,  
                 AUTHORITY[ "EPSG" , "8901" ] ] ,  
        UNIT[ "degree" , 0.0174532925199433 ,  
              AUTHORITY[ "EPSG" , "9122" ] ] ,  
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```

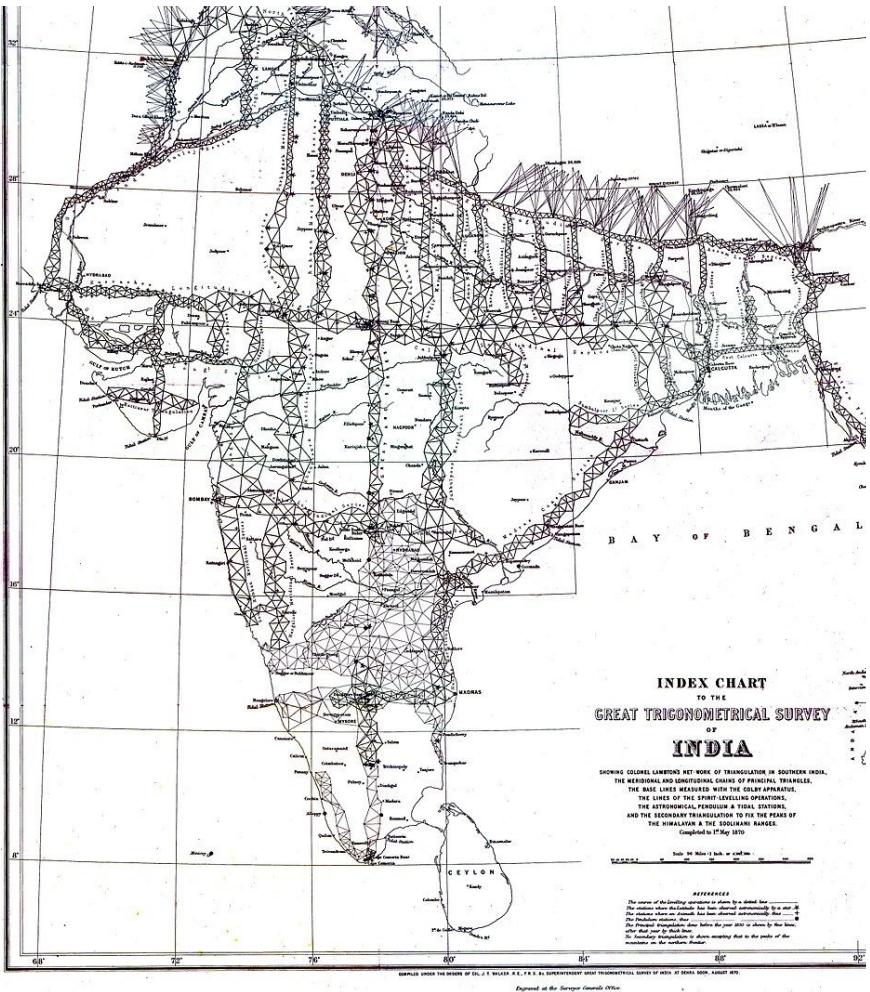
# Specifying Location



Nasa/JPL

- Specify the shape of the Earth
  - Ellipsoid - Approximate shape
  - Geoid - Gravitational equipotential
- Datum - Carefully measured network of surveyed points
- Projection - 3D surface on 2D plane

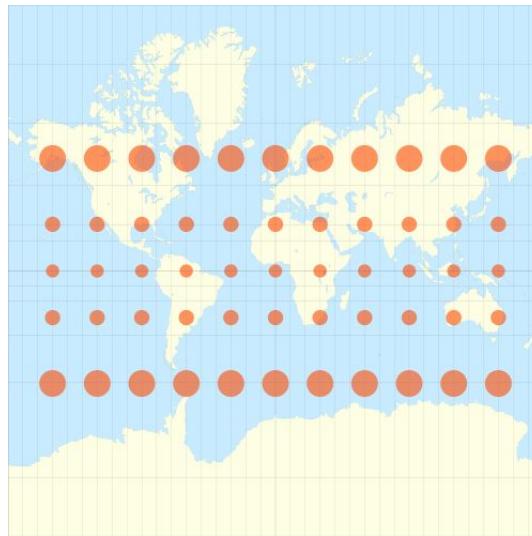
# Common Datum



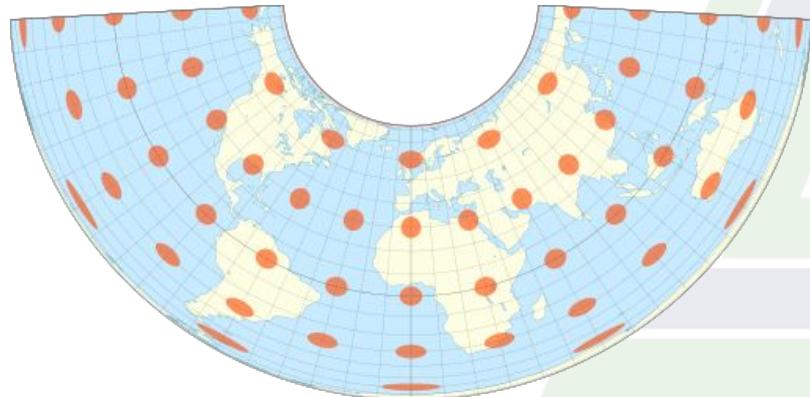
- Datum used varies across the world
- Most Common
  - WGS84 ([EPSG 4326](#))
    - Used by GPS
  - NAD83
  - ED50
- Same location will have different coordinate in different datum

# Projections - 3D surface onto 2D plane

- All projections lead to distortions
- Select projection that best matches use case
  - Area
  - Shape
  - Direction
  - Distance
  - Visual properties



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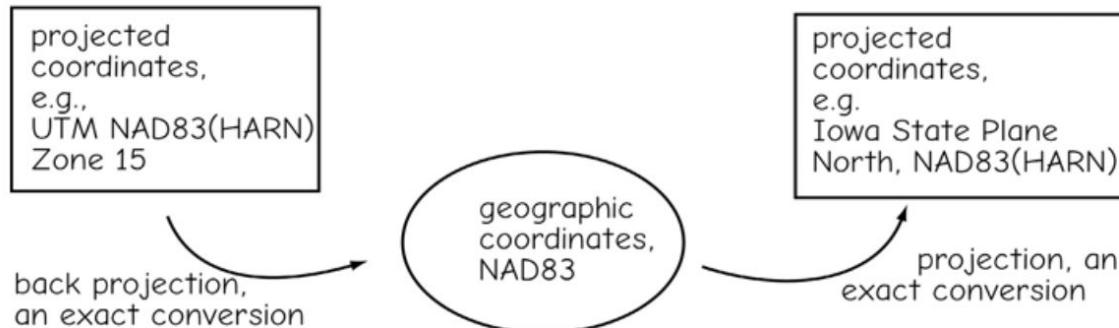
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# Common Projections

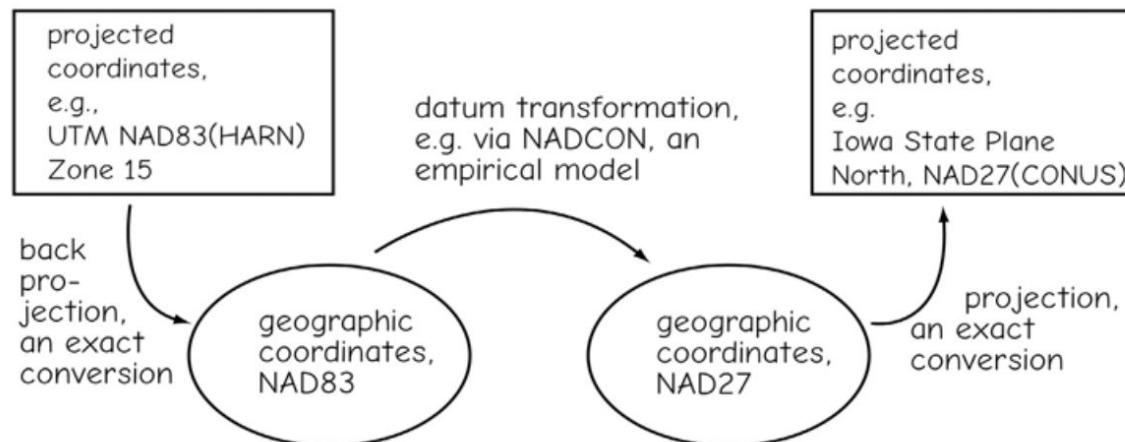
- Web Mercator (EPSG 3857)
  - Used for web maps (Google, Bing, OSM etc.)
  - <https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb259689.aspx>
- Plate Carrée (EPSG 4326)
  - Used for lots of global raster data
  - Map lon/lat to x-y
- Transverse-mercator
  - [Universal Transverse Mercator](#) (UTM)
  - Used for satellite imagery
- Equal Area Projections (e.g Albers)
  - Useful for calculating area of polygons

# Conversions

a) From one projection to another - same datum and version



b) From one projection to another - different datums



# What do you actually *DO*?

- Load
- Transform
  - Use matching coordinate systems
  - Transform to projections that make calculations easy
  - Transform vector data to match raster data
- Combine/Calculate
  - Ex. Mask raster data with a polygon
  - Ex. Intersections of polygons
  - Ex. Area

# Taxonomy of Tools

## Low Level Geospatial Tools

- [GEOS](#) - Vector data manipulation
- [GDAL/OGR](#) - Geospatial
  - GDAL - Raster data model
  - OGR - Vector data model
- [PROJ.4](#) - Generic coordinate transformation

## Miscellaneous

- [GeoPandas](#) - Extends pandas to support geometric operations
- Plotting -
  - [Descartes](#)
  - [Cartopy](#)

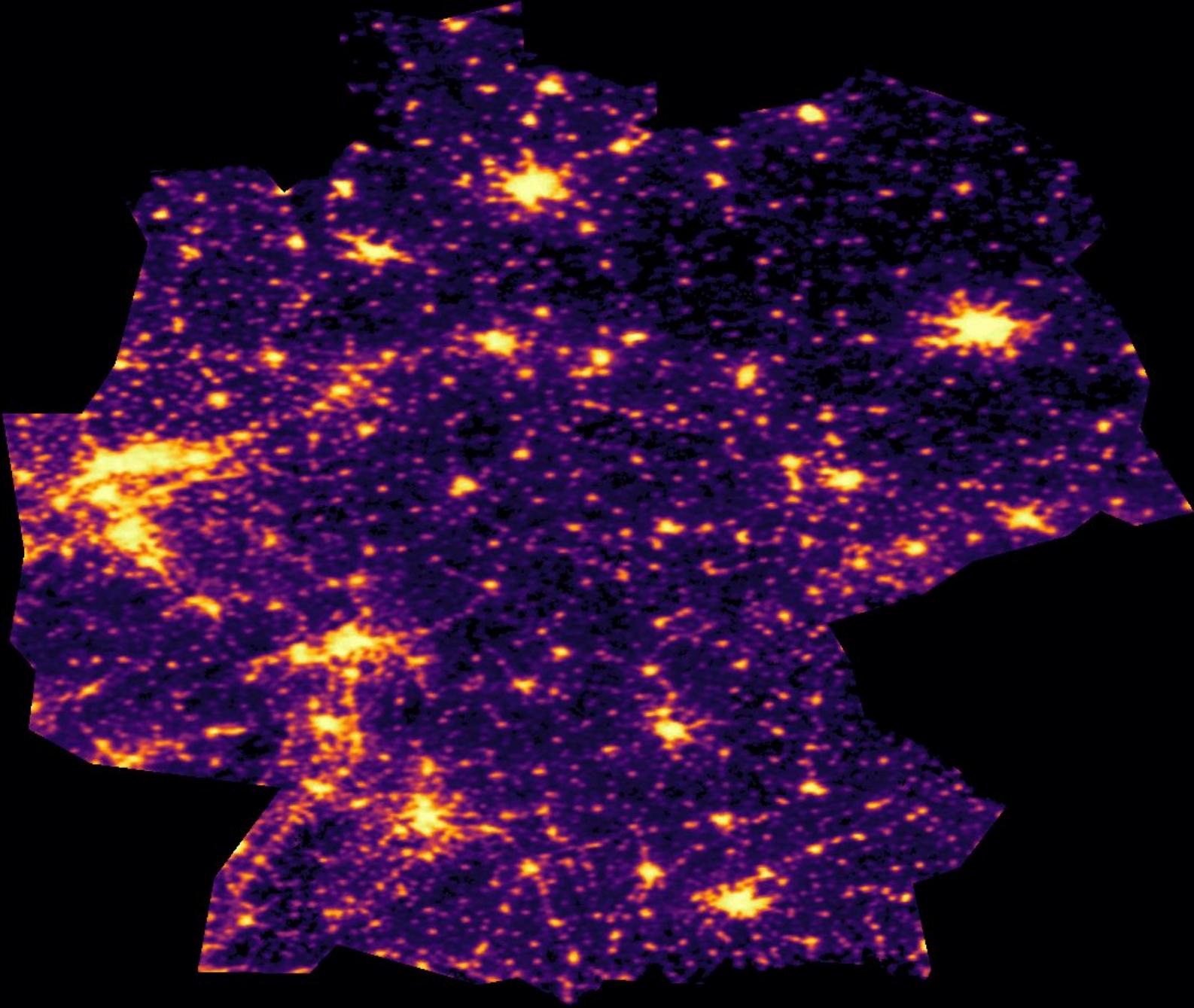
## Vector Data

- [Shapely](#)
  - Manipulation of geometric objects
  - Based on GEOS
- [Fiona](#)
  - API for reading/writing vector data
  - Based on OGR
- [Pyproj](#)
  - Coordinate transformations
  - Cython wrapper of PROJ.4

## Raster Data

- [Rasterio](#)
  - Reading and manipulating raster data
  - Requires on GDAL

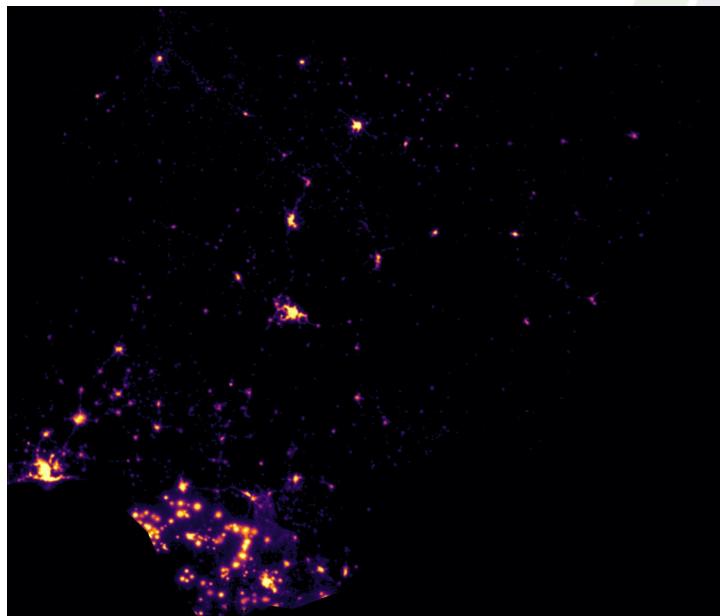
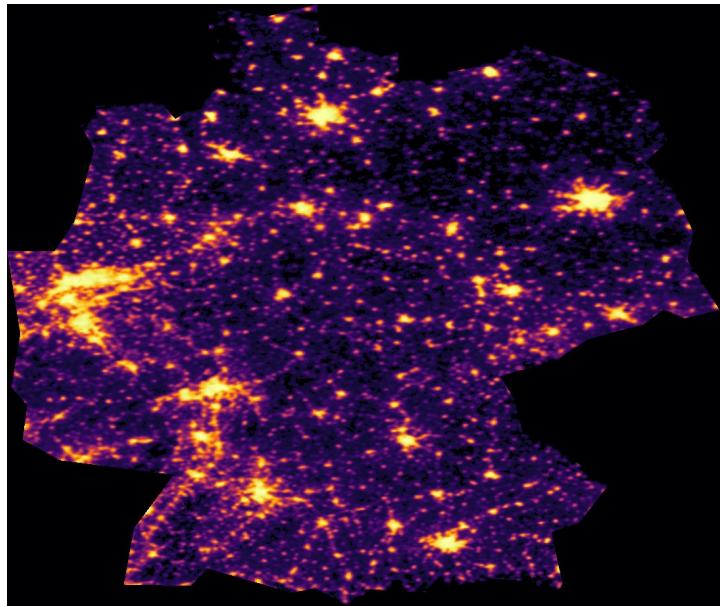
# Nighttime Lights and Wealth





# Nighttime Lights and Wealth

- Nighttime light data show
  - Human activity
  - Wealth
- As an example of geospatial data, look at community level wealth and night light activity in Africa
  - [Demographics and Health Survey](#)
  - [DMPS Nighttime Light Data](#)
- See [Jean et al. Science 2016](#)



# Assets and Nighttime Lights In Nigeria Steps

- Load survey data - vector data
- Simple exploratory data analysis - vector data
  - Plotting
- Load nighttime lights - raster data
- Simple exploratory data analysis - raster data
- Extract nightlight intensity
  - Transform vector data
  - Mask raster data by vector data
  - Calculate
- Plot

In-depth code available: <https://github.com/dillongardner/PyDataSpatialAnalysis>

# Load Survey Data - GeoPandas

- GeoPandas extends pandas functionality
- Easily load geospatial data files (uses Fiona under the hood)
- Geospatial capabilities based on special “geometry” column
  - Contains Shapely geometric objects
  - Simplifies transformation

```
> import geopandas as gpd  
> nigeria_gdf =  
gpd.read_file(os.path.join(DATA_PATH,  
'formatted_dhs/'))  
> nigeria_gdf.head()
```

	cluster	assets	geometry
0	1.0	-106269	POINT (8.097115000000001 6.90227)
1	1.0	-89171	POINT (8.097115000000001 6.90227)
2	1.0	-101669	POINT (8.097115000000001 6.90227)
3	1.0	-105983	POINT (8.097115000000001 6.90227)
4	1.0	-89785	POINT (8.097115000000001 6.90227)

```
> print(nigeria_gdf.crs)  
{'init': 'epsg:4326'}
```

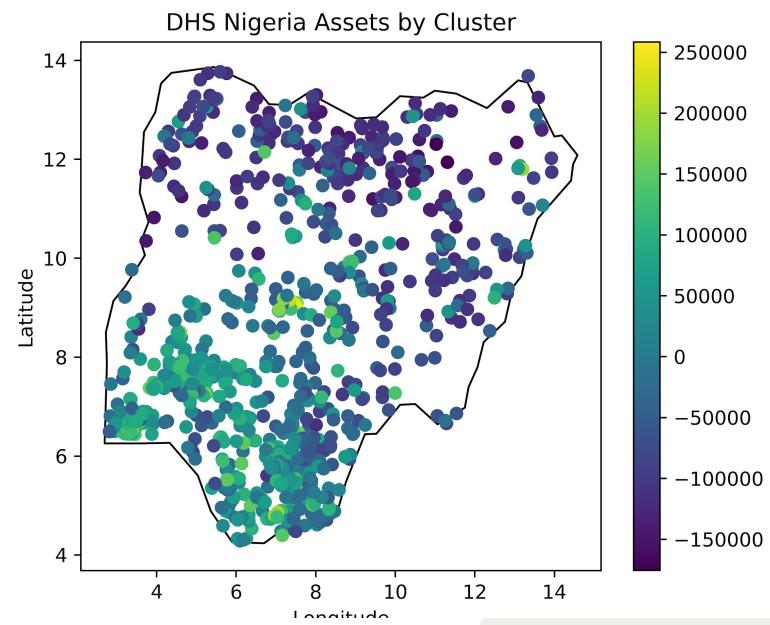
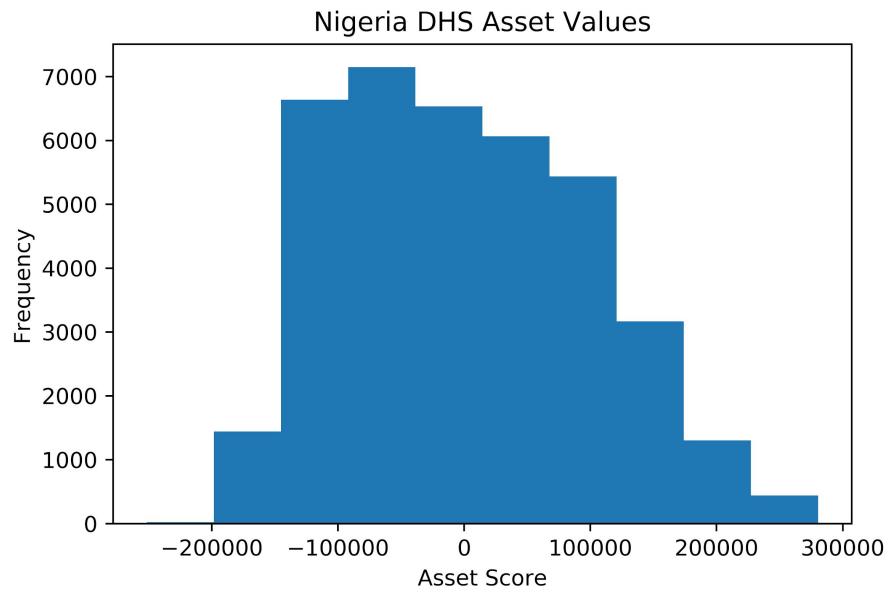
# Exploratory Data Analysis - Vector Data

- Base pandas functionality

```
ax = nigeria_gdf.assets.plot(kind='hist')
```

- Cluster level data using pandas split-apply-combine functionality
- GeoPandas plotting

```
> clusters.plot(column='assets',  
                 legend=True)
```



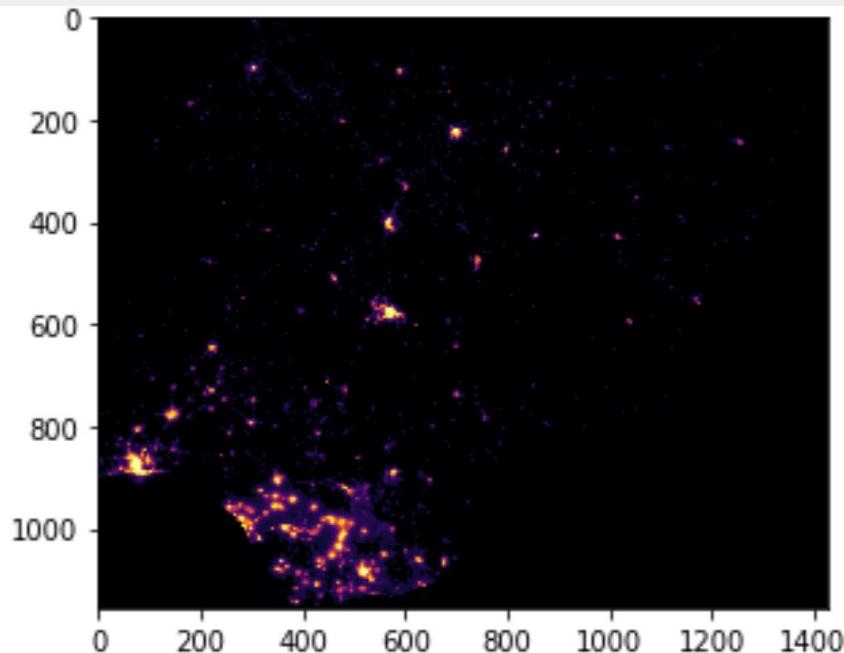
# Load Night Light Raster Data - Rasterio

```
> import rasterio  
  
> nightlights = rasterio.open('/F182013...tif')  
  
> print(nightlights.crs)  
CRS({'init': 'epsg:4326'})  
  
> print(nightlights.bounds)  
BoundingBox(left=-180.004 bottom=-65.004, right=180.004, top=75.004)  
> print('Image size: ({}, {})'.format(nightlights.width, nightlights.height))  
Image size: (43201, 16801)
```

- Data are a huge image with additional metadata
- Boundary box
  - Units depend on coordinate reference system
  - In this case are lon/lat
- Contains `transform` object that will map pixels to coordinates

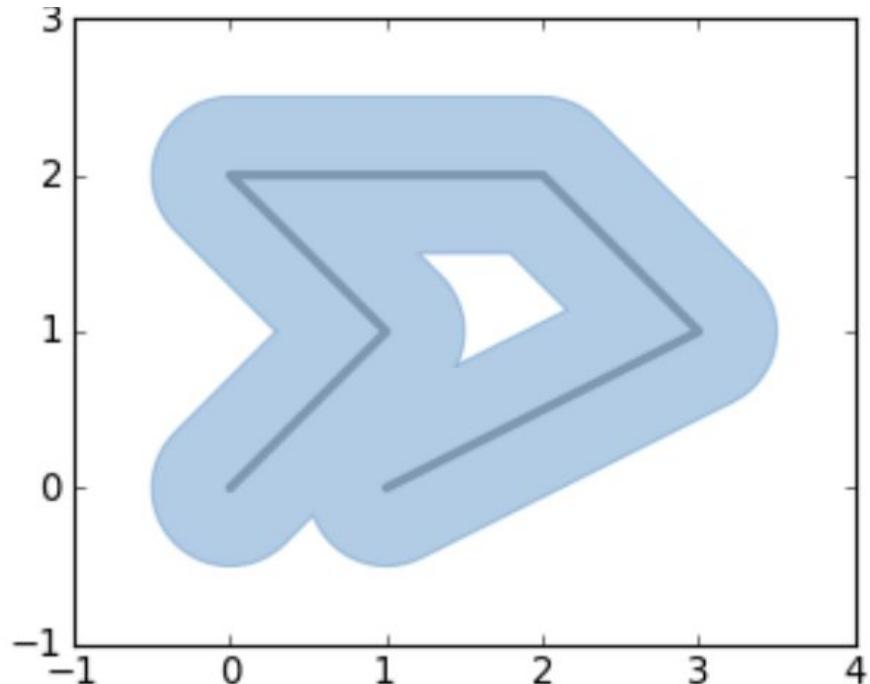
# Exploratory Data Analysis

```
> from rasterio.mask import mask  
  
> nigeria_polygon = nigeria.geometry.values[0]  
  
> nigeria_lights, out_transform = mask(nightlights,  
                                         [nigeria_polygon],  
                                         crop=True)  
  
> plt.imshow(nigeria_lights[0], cmap='inferno')
```



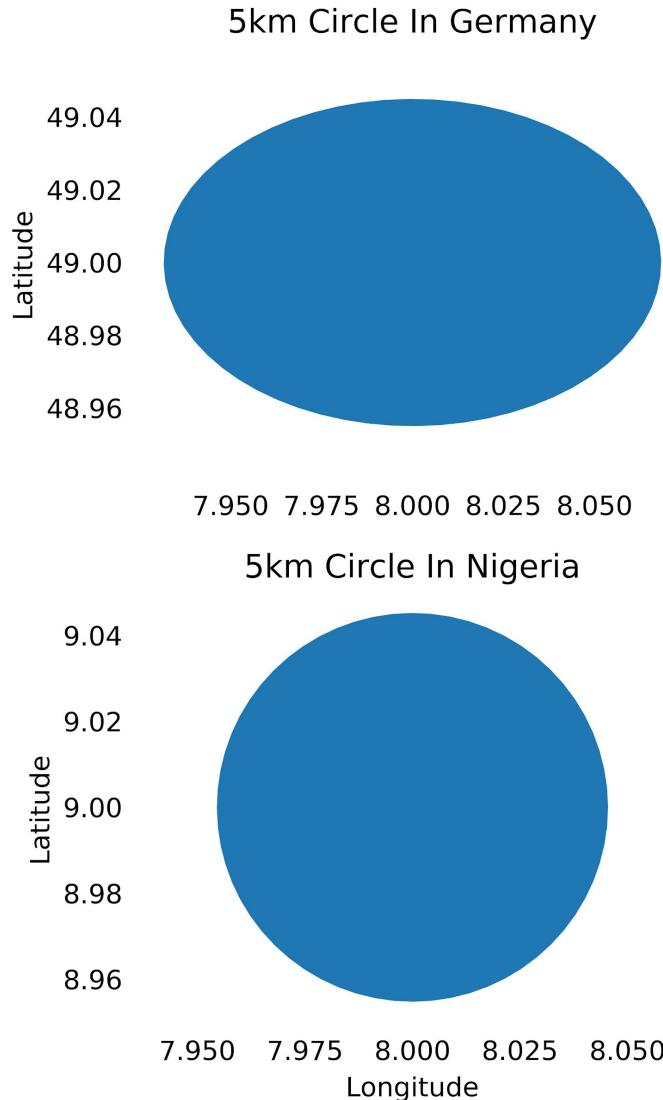
# Extract Nighttime Light Intensity

- Result of mask operation is a numpy array
  - Can take the median value
- Want value for each cluster
  - Cannot do on a point
  - Need to buffer point into a polygon



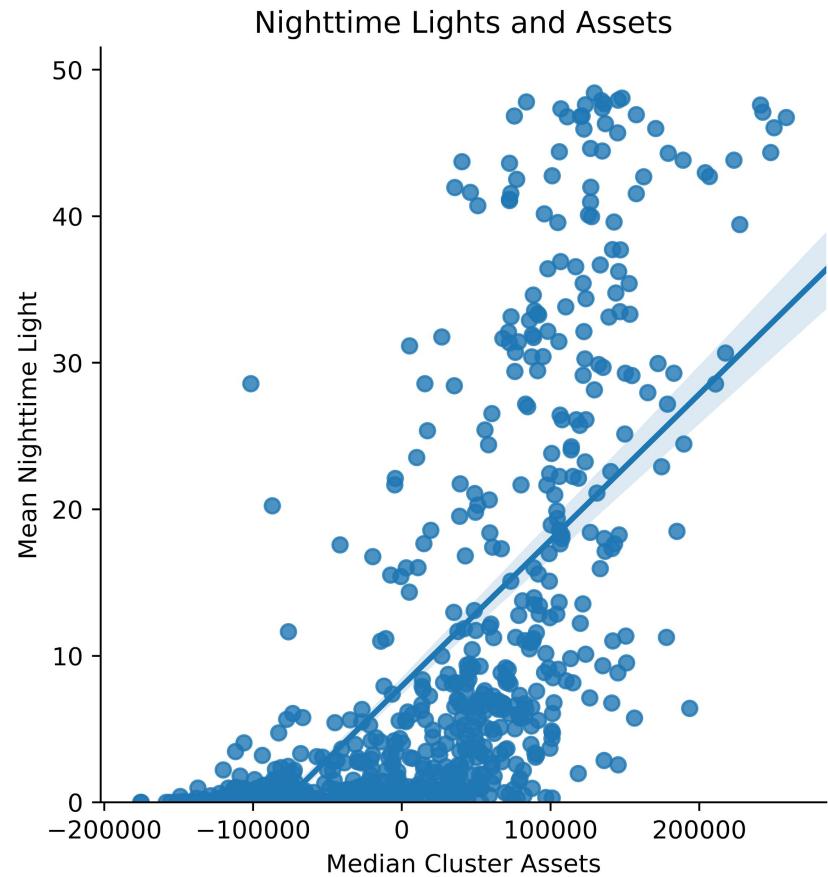
# Coordinate Transformations

- Buffering in EPSG 4326 is in degrees
- Project into UTM 32 N
  - Or another projection that has small distortion in Nigeria
  - Allows for accurate 5km circles
- Buffer by 5000m
- Project back to EPSG 4326
- Mask nighttime lights and calculate median value



# Nighttime Light Intensity vs Asset Score

```
> new_crs = " "+proj=utm +zone=32  
+ellps=GRS80 +units=m +no_defs "  
> old_crs = "+init=epsg:4326"  
> new_projection =  
clusters.geometry.to_crs(new_crs)  
> buffered = new_projection.buffer(5000)  
> original_projection =  
buffered.to_crs(old_crs)  
> mean_night_lights =  
original_projection.map(geom_to_mean_light)
```



# Summary

- Geospatial data
  - Powerful
  - Cheap
  - Fun
- General Guidelines
  - Use matching coordinate systems
  - Transform to projections that make calculations easy
  - Transform vector data to match raster data
- Python provides excellent tooling



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