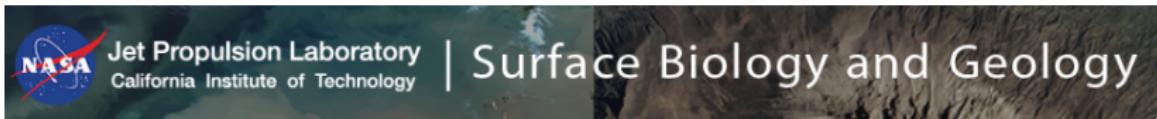


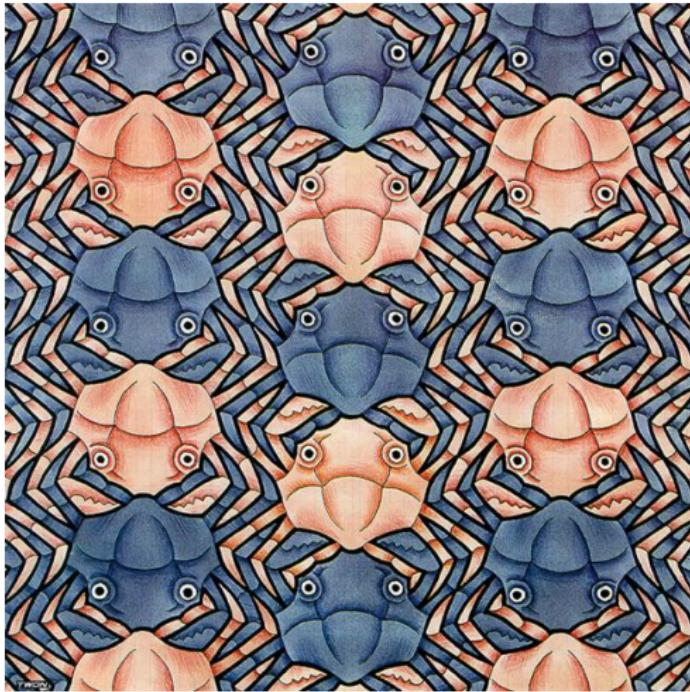
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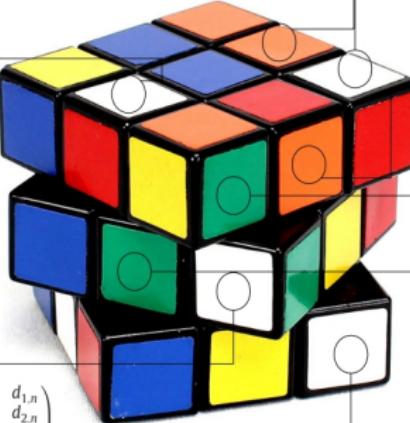
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Point descriptors

DISPERSION MEASURES

$$SD = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(x - \bar{x})^2}{n}}$$

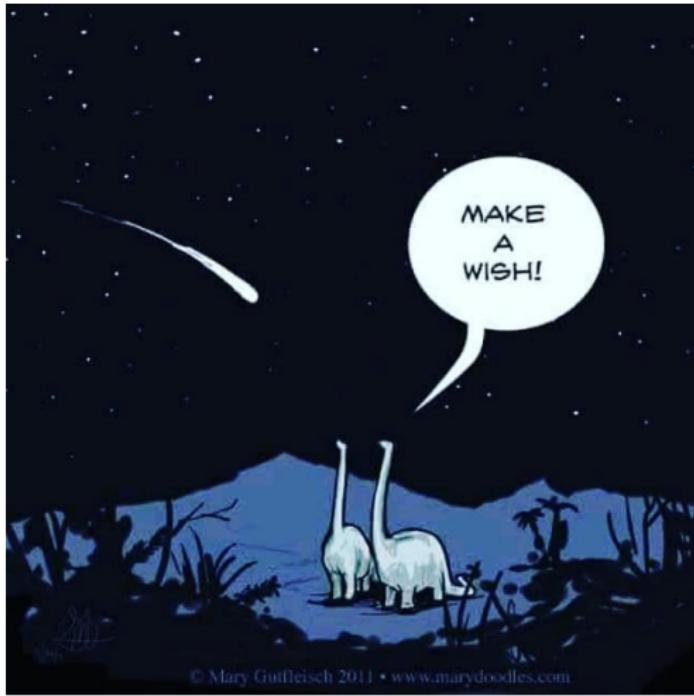

INFORMATION THEORY

$$H' = -\sum_{i=1}^R p_i \ln p_i$$
$$J = \frac{H'}{\ln(S)}$$


TEXTURE MEASURES

$$M_d = \begin{pmatrix} d_{1,1} & d_{1,2} & d_{1,3} & \dots & d_{1,n} \\ d_{2,1} & d_{2,2} & d_{2,3} & \dots & d_{2,n} \\ d_{3,1} & d_{3,2} & d_{3,3} & \dots & d_{3,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d_{n,1} & d_{n,2} & d_{n,3} & \dots & d_{n,n} \end{pmatrix}$$


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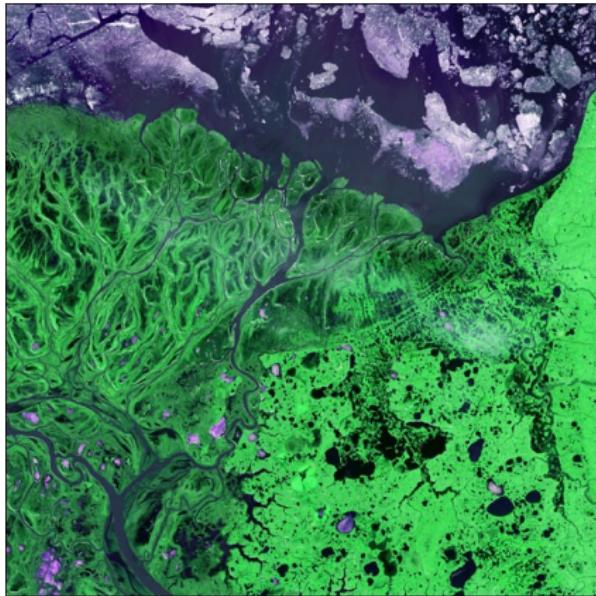
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INTRODUCTION

THE recent development of various methods of modulation such as PCM and PPM which exchange bandwidth for signal-to-noise ratio has intensified the interest in a general theory of communication. A basis for such a theory is contained in the important papers of Nyquist¹ and Hartley² on this subject. In the present paper we will extend the theory to include a number of new factors, in particular the effect of noise in the channel, and the savings possible due to the statistical structure of the original message and due to the nature of the final destination of the information.

$$H' = - \sum p_i \times \ln(p_i) \quad (1)$$

Information Theory



$H' = 0.32$



$H' = 0.69$

Issues

Main issues related to the use of Shannon's H' in remote sensing:

- **Point description:** H' , as many other indices, represents only a part of the whole diversity spectrum
- **Non-dimensionality:** H' is only based on relative abundance and not on numbers, i.e. pixel values

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Solving point description: the Rényi generalised entropy

Rényi (1970) generalised entropy:

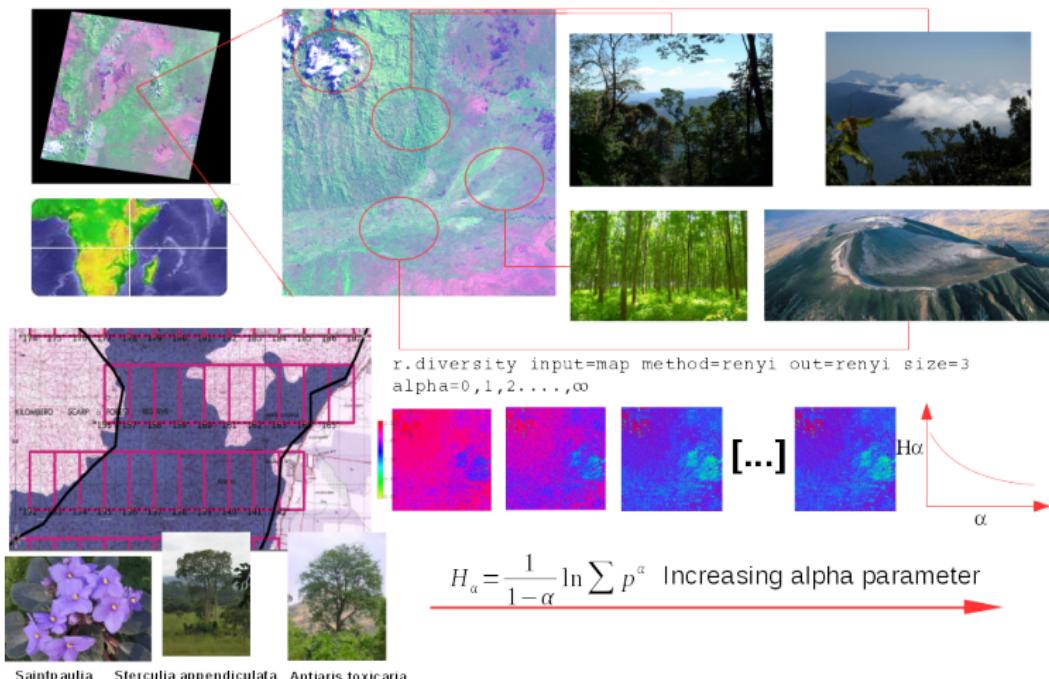
$$H_\alpha = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \ln \sum p^\alpha \quad (2)$$

where p =relative abundance of each spectral reflectance value (DN).

Such measure is extremely flexible and powerful since many popular diversity indices are simply special cases of H_α .

$$H_\alpha = \begin{cases} \alpha = 0, H_0 = \ln(N) \\ \alpha \rightarrow 1, H_1 = -\sum p \times \ln(p) \\ \alpha = 2, H_2 = \ln(1/D) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Solving point description: the Rényi generalised entropy



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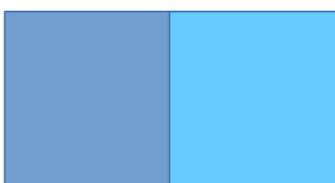
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Solving non-dimensionality: the Rao's quadratic entropy (Rao's Q)

A)



Non-dimensionality: H' does not consider the spectral distance among values but only **IF values are different** from each other

B)



Same $H' = 0.69$



IF, but not how much

Distance matrices and relative abundance: the Rao's Q

$$H' = - \sum p_i \times \ln(p_i) \quad (4)$$

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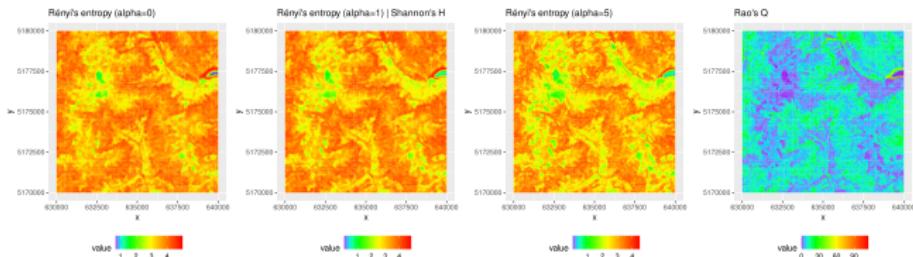
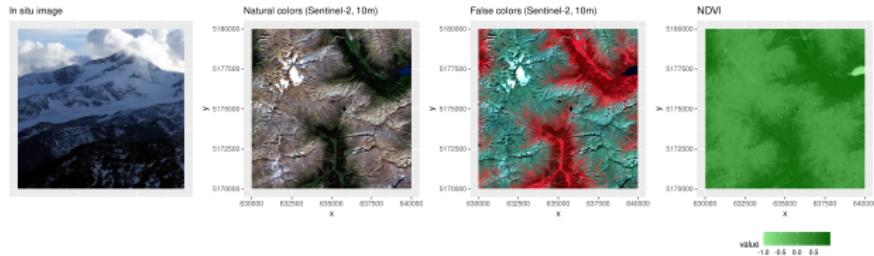
$$Q = \sum \sum d_{ij} \times p_i \times p_j \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_{1,1} & d_{1,2} & \cdots & d_{1,n} \\ d_{2,1} & d_{2,2} & \cdots & d_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d_{n,1} & d_{n,2} & \cdots & d_{n,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

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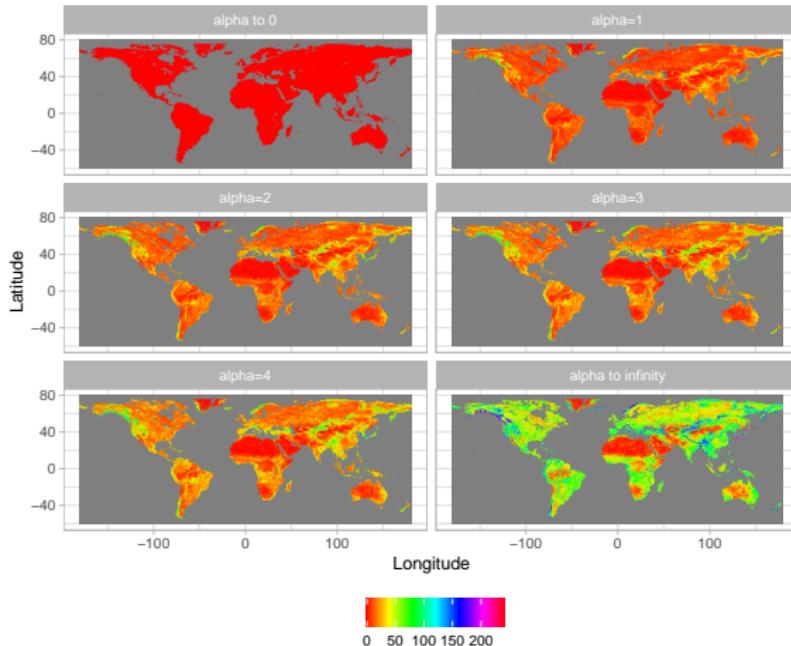


Generalised parametric Rao's Q

$$Q_\alpha = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^N \omega_{ij} d_{ij}^\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^N \frac{1}{N^2} d_{ij}^\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

$$Q_\alpha = \begin{cases} \alpha \rightarrow 0, Q_0 = \sqrt[N^2]{\prod_{i,j=1}^N d_{ij}} & \text{geometric} \\ \alpha = 1, Q_1 = Q = \sum_{i,j=1}^N \frac{1}{N^2} d_{ij} & \text{arithmetic} \\ \alpha = 2, Q_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j=1}^N \frac{1}{N^2} d_{ij}^2} & \text{quadratic} \\ \alpha = 3, Q_3 = \sqrt[3]{\sum_{i,j=1}^N \frac{1}{N^2} d_{ij}^3} & \text{cubic} \\ \alpha \rightarrow \infty, Q_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} = \max d_{ij} & \text{max}_d \end{cases}$$

Generalised parametric Rao's Q



Coda

There is actually **no single measure** that could be adopted to represent all the different aspects of diversity, **with an intrinsic fallacy** in considering a '**true**' **diversity** (Gorelick, Oecologia, 2011).

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Generalised parametric Rao's Q vs in-situ data

