

Copernicus Master in Digital Earth

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Digital Earth: Big Earth Data Concepts

Assignment 6: Google Earth Engine



Google Earth Engine

In my GEE application, I choose to investigate the last floods took in place in Spain, more specifically in the region of Valencia. I opt to use multispectral satellite data from Sentinel-2. Furthermore, I match the date of the event and figure out images that capture the extension of the floods without no much cloud covering in the scene. To analyse, I calculate the Normalized Difference Water Index, in order to highlight the flooded area, comparing with the median of the last month. To finish up, I publish as a Google Earth Engine application. My visual geospatial analysis can be reached at the link:

[Floods in Valencia - A visual inspection powered by Sentinel-2](#)

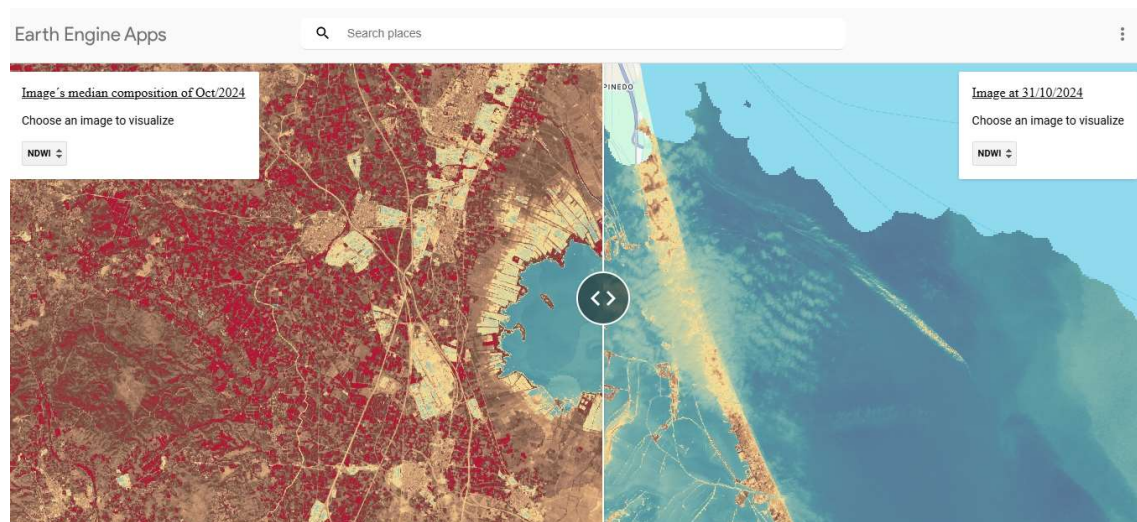


Figure 1 - Screenshot of my GEE application.

The code is compiled below:

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----- Start -----  
  
// Demonstrates before/after imagery comparison with a variety of dates.  
var aoi =  
  /* color: #d63000 */  
  /* displayProperties: [  
    {  
      "type": "rectangle"  
    }  
  ] */  
  ee.Geometry.Polygon(  
    [[[-0.5009366240638458, 39.41074810267774],  
      [-0.5009366240638458, 39.25619819028707],  
      [-0.22902500297009576, 39.25619819028707],  
      [-0.22902500297009576, 39.41074810267774]]], null, false);  
print('aoi',aoi)
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/*
 * Configure the imagery
 */

// ----- ***** LEFT IMAGES ***** -----
var left_images = {
  'Natural_image': left_getSentinelComposite(),
  'NDWI': left_getSentinelNDWI()
};
print(left_images)
// Composite the sentinel-2 ic for the period assigned below, compute the mean and composite
RGB
function left_getSentinelComposite() {
  // Cloud Masks
  function maskS2clouds(image) {
    var qa = image.select('QA60');

    // Bits 10 and 11 are clouds and cirrus, respectively.
    var cloudBitMask = 1 << 10;
    var cirrusBitMask = 1 << 11;

    // Both flags should be set to zero, indicating clear conditions.
    var mask = qa.bitwiseAnd(cloudBitMask).eq(0)
      .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(cirrusBitMask).eq(0));

    return
    image.updateMask(mask).divide(10000).copyProperties(image,image.propertyNames());
  }

  // Calculate NDWI
  function indices(image){
    var ndwi = image.normalizedDifference(['B3','B8']).rename('NDWI')
    return image.addBands([ndwi]).copyProperties(image, ["system:time_start"])
  }

  // Sentinel-2 imagery collection
  var s2_rgb = ee.ImageCollection("COPERNICUS/S2_SR_HARMONIZED")
    .filterBounds(aoi)

  .filter(ee.Filter.date(ee.Date.fromYMD(2024,10,01),ee.Date.fromYMD(2024,10,30)))
    .filterMetadata('CLOUDY_PIXEL_PERCENTAGE','less_than',30)
    .map(maskS2clouds)
    .select(['B4','B3','B2'])
    .median(); //calculates median

  // Define the visualisation parameters to display the image (change bands for different
  visualisations)
  var vizParams_rgb = {
    bands: ['B4', 'B3', 'B2'],
    min: 0,
    max: 0.4
  };

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return s2_rgb.visualize(vizParams_rgb);
}

// Composite the sentinel-2 ic for the period assigned below, compute the mean and composite
NDWI
function left_getSentinelNDWI() {
  // Cloud Masks
  function maskS2clouds(image) {
    var qa = image.select('QA60');

    // Bits 10 and 11 are clouds and cirrus, respectively.
    var cloudBitMask = 1 << 10;
    var cirrusBitMask = 1 << 11;

    // Both flags should be set to zero, indicating clear conditions.
    var mask = qa.bitwiseAnd(cloudBitMask).eq(0)
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    .filterMetadata('CLOUDY_PIXEL_PERCENTAGE','less_than',60)
    .map(maskS2clouds)
    .map(indices)
    .select('NDWI')
    .median(); //calculates median

  // Define the visualisation parameters to display the image (change bands for different
  visualisations)
  var vizNDWI = {
    bands:['NDWI'],
    min:-1,
    max:1,
    palette:['#af2442','#b71a3c','#bf0f35','#745644','#a77c65','#d6a379','#f9e098',
      '#97c0b0','#7db2ac','#62a4a7','#5494a1','#56819b','#566f94','#555d8e'
    ]
  }

  return s2_ndwi.visualize(vizNDWI);
}

// ----- ***** RIGHT IMAGES ***** -----

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var right_images = {
  'Natural_image': right_getSentinelComposite(),
  'NDWI': right_getSentinelNDWI()
}
print(right_images)
// Composite the sentinel-2 ic for the period assigned below, compute the mean and composite
RGB
function right_getSentinelComposite() {
  // Cloud Masks
  function maskS2clouds(image) {
    var qa = image.select('QA60');

    // Bits 10 and 11 are clouds and cirrus, respectively.
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    return
    image.updateMask(mask).divide(10000).copyProperties(image,image.propertyNames());
  }

  // Calculate NDWI
  function indices(image){
    var ndwi = image.normalizedDifference(['B3','B8']).rename('NDWI')
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  }

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  .filter(ee.Filter.date(ee.Date.fromYMD(2024,10,30),ee.Date.fromYMD(2024,11,01)))
    .filterMetadata('CLOUDY_PIXEL_PERCENTAGE','less_than',60)
    .map(maskS2clouds)
    .select(['B4','B3','B2'])
    .median(); //calculates median

  // Define the visualisation parameters to display the image (change bands for different
  visualisations)
  var vizParams_rgb = {
    bands: ['B4', 'B3', 'B2'],
    min: 0,
    max: 0.4
  };

  return s2_rgb.visualize(vizParams_rgb);
}

// Composite the sentinel-2 ic for the period assigned below, compute the mean and composite
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function right_getSentinelNDWI() {

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    '#97c0b0','#7db2ac','#62a4a7','#5494a1','#56819b','#566f94','#555d8e'
  ]
}

return s2_ndwi.visualize(vizNDWI);
}

/*
* Set up the maps and control widgets
*/

// Create the left map, and have it display layer 0.
var leftMap = ui.Map();
leftMap.setControlVisibility(false);

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leftMap.setCenter(-0.36, 39.34, 12);
var leftSelector = left_addLayerSelector(leftMap, 1, 'top-left');

// Create the right map, and have it display layer 1.
var rightMap = ui.Map();
rightMap.setControlVisibility(false);
rightMap.setCenter(-0.36, 39.34, 12);
var rightSelector = right_addLayerSelector(rightMap, 1, 'top-right');

// Adds a layer selection widget to the given map, to allow users to change
// which image is displayed in the associated map.
function left_addLayerSelector(mapToChange, defaultValue, position) {
  var label = ui.Label('Choose an image to visualize');
  var label_data = ui.Label({
    value: 'Image's median composition of Oct/2024',
    style: {fontFamily: 'serif', textDecoration: 'underline', fontSize: '16px'}
  })

  // This function changes the given map to show the selected image.
  function updateMap(selection) {
    mapToChange.layers().set(0, ui.Map.Layer(left_images[selection]));
  }

  // Configure a selection dropdown to allow the user to choose between images,
  // and set the map to update when a user makes a selection.
  var select = ui.Select({items: Object.keys(left_images), onChange: updateMap});
  select.setValue(Object.keys(left_images)[defaultValue], true);

  var controlPanel =
    ui.Panel({widgets: [label_data, label, select], style: {position: position}});

  mapToChange.add(controlPanel);
}

function right_addLayerSelector(mapToChange, defaultValue, position) {
  var label = ui.Label('Choose an image to visualize');

  var label_data = ui.Label({
    value: 'Image at 31/10/2024',
    style: {fontFamily: 'serif', textDecoration: 'underline', fontSize: '16px'}
  })

  // This function changes the given map to show the selected image.
  function updateMap(selection) {
    mapToChange.layers().set(0, ui.Map.Layer(right_images[selection]));
  }

  // Configure a selection dropdown to allow the user to choose between images,
  // and set the map to update when a user makes a selection.
  var select = ui.Select({items: Object.keys(right_images), onChange: updateMap});
  select.setValue(Object.keys(right_images)[defaultValue], true);

  var controlPanel =
    ui.Panel({widgets: [label_data, label, select], style: {position: position}});

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    mapToChange.add(controlPanel);
}

/*
 * Tie everything together
 */

// Create a SplitPanel to hold the adjacent, linked maps.
var splitPanel = ui.SplitPanel({
    firstPanel: leftMap,
    secondPanel: rightMap,
    wipe: true,
    style: {stretch: 'both'}
});

// Set the SplitPanel as the only thing in the UI root.
ui.root.widgets().reset([splitPanel]);
var linker = ui.Map.Linker([leftMap, rightMap]);
leftMap.setCenter(-0.36, 39.34, 12);
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