>>> **Feature Extraction**
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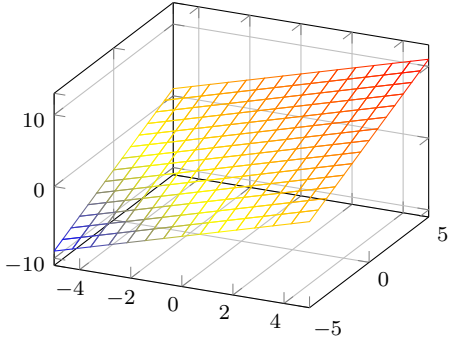
- ⋆ Multivariate data live in a lower dimensional space



- Feature extraction is important in remote sensing because:
  - It reduces the size of the data,
  - It limits the spatial and spectral redundancy,
  - It permits visualization of the data,
  - It mitigates the *curse of dimensionality*.
- Extraction techniques:
  - Spectral
    - Physically based method,
    - Statistical methods.
  - Spatial:
    - Linear filters,
    - Non linear techniques (Mathematical Morphology)

- Spectral indices are a linear/non-linear combination of two (or more) spectral bands.
- They provides information as a *single number* about:
  - Plant structure,
  - Biochemistry,
  - Humidity,
  - Stress.
- Four main types [TLH11]:

Name	Formulae
Difference vegetation index	$R_{\lambda_1} - R_{\lambda_2}$
Ration vegetation index	$\frac{R_{\lambda_1}}{R_{\lambda_2}}$
Normalized difference vegetation index	$\frac{R_{\lambda_1} - R_{\lambda_2}}{R_{\lambda_1} + R_{\lambda_2}}$
Soil-adjusted vegetation index	$(1 + L) \times \frac{R_{\lambda_1} - R_{\lambda_2}}{R_{\lambda_1} - R_{\lambda_2} + L}$

- *The three last indexes are invariant to a multiplicative factor*

Index database : `http://www.indexdatabase.de/`

Name	Formulae (λ nm)
Normalized Difference Vnegetation index	$\frac{R_{\lambda_{800}} - R_{\lambda_{670}}}{R_{\lambda_{800}} + R_{\lambda_{670}}}$
Modified Soil-Adjusted Vegetation Index	$\frac{1}{2}\left[2R_{\lambda_{800}} + 1 - \sqrt{(2R_{\lambda_{800}} + 1)^2 - 8(R_{\lambda_{800}} - R_{\lambda_{670}})}\right]$
Modified Chlorophyll Absorption Ratio Index	$[(R_{\lambda_{700}} - R_{\lambda_{670}}) - 0.2(R_{\lambda_{700}} - R_{\lambda_{550}})] \times \frac{R_{\lambda_{700}}}{R_{\lambda_{670}}}$
Normalized Difference Water Index	$\frac{R_{\lambda_{858}} - R_{\lambda_{1240}}}{R_{\lambda_{858}} + R_{\lambda_{1240}}}$
Datt Reflectance Index	$\frac{R_{\lambda_{816}} - R_{\lambda_{2218}}}{R_{\lambda_{816}} + R_{\lambda_{2218}}}$
Normalized Difference Redness Index	$\frac{R_{\lambda_{540}} - R_{\lambda_{700}}}{R_{\lambda_{540}} + R_{\lambda_{700}}}$
Soil Brightness Index	$0.406R_{\lambda 550} + 0.600R_{\lambda 650} + 0.645R_{\lambda 750} + 0.243R_{\lambda 950}$

$$\text{NDVI} = \frac{R_{\lambda_{800}} - R_{\lambda_{670}}}{R_{\lambda_{800}} + R_{\lambda_{670}}}$$

- $-1 \leq \text{NVDI} \leq 1$
- NDVI ≤ 0: surfaces other thatn plant cover
- NDVI ≈ 0: bare soil
- NDVI ≥ 0.1: vegetation cover (higher values correspond to more dense covers)