

Homework 5 : Spatial autocorrelation

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Compute the experimental variogram and covariance of a 2D raster

Experimental spatial structure

Write the function `ComputeSpatialStructure` to compute the experimental variogram or covariance in N-S and E-W directions from a 2D scipy array.

```
ComputeSpatialStructure(raster,dimPixel=[1,1],maxLag=None,type="variogram")
```

- **raster**: is a 2d scipy array of continuous attribute (it may have missing data : `scipy.nan`)
- **dimPixel**: size of one pixel (e.g `[10,10]` indicates that each pixel is of size 10×10 units).
- **maxLag**: The maximum *distance* in each direction (EW and NS) to compute the variogram/covariance values. For example `[200,300]` will compute the values up to 200 units in EW direction and 300 units in the NS direction. If set to `None` then **maxLag** is to be reset to half the dimension of the raster in each direction.
- **type**: A string that can take two values "variogram" or "covariance"

the function returns an object of type `SpatialStructure`.

SpatialStructure class

The resulting experimental variogram or covariance values are stored in:

```
class SpatialStructure :  
    def __init__(self, ... )  
    def __call__(self,dx,dy)  
    def nPairs(self,dx,dy)
```

where `dx` and `dy` is the lag in EW-and NS in real coordinates, i.e. not the number of pixels. If no value exists for a pair `(dx,dy)` then it must return `scipy.nan`.

Example of usage

```
vario = ComputeSpatialStructure(myData,[30,30],[500,500],"variogram")
print vario(0,90), vario.nPairs(0,90)
print vario(120,0), vario.nPairs(120,0)
```

Data

Two data sets are available from coursework; `landsatBand1.dat` is complete while `landsatBand1Nan.dat` contains a significant number of missing values.

```
fid = open("landsatBand1.dat",'rb')
data = scipy.fromfile(file=fid, dtype=scipy.float32).reshape((500,500))
fid.close()
```

```
fid = open("landsatBand1Nan.dat",'rb')
datanan = scipy.fromfile(file=fid, dtype=scipy.float32).reshape((500,500))
fid.close()
```

```
pylab.figure()
pylab.subplot(121)
pylab.imshow(data,interpolation='nearest')
pylab.subplot(122)
pylab.imshow(datanan,interpolation='nearest')
pylab.show()
```