Google Earth Engine for Vegetation

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1 Introducing Spectral Indices for Vegetation

Spectral indices or spectral index (singular) is a term used to define a result of mathematical operation (map algebra, raster algebra, etc.) of two or more band of spectrum from a multispectral imagery [1].

The most famous one of spectral indices is NDVI (Normalized Difference Vegetation Index). It is the result from the margin of near infrared (NIR) and red band divided by the sum of both, following Equation 1. This index have many use such as to classify certain land cover: soil, built-up, water, sparse, and dense vegetation. It also can be used to monitor vegetation health and pattern over time. The result of NDVI is an image with a value ranging from -1 to 1 where value below 0 tend to be water, 0 to 0.3 is built-up, soil, and grass while above the 0.4 to be shrub and denser vegetation. Although high value can be used to identify if the vegetation is healthy. Example of the multispectral imagery and NDVI can be seen in Figure 1.

$$NDVI = \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + RED} \tag{1}$$

NIR band is used in the formula is following the spectral reflectance curve on how the interaction between multiple electomagnetic wavelength to certain object. This relation could be understand from Figure 1. Based on the curve, it can be understood that the reflectance of vegetation at its peak in NIR band wavelength interval while it have a smaller reflectance in the red spectrum while red band also have a high reflectance in soil object.

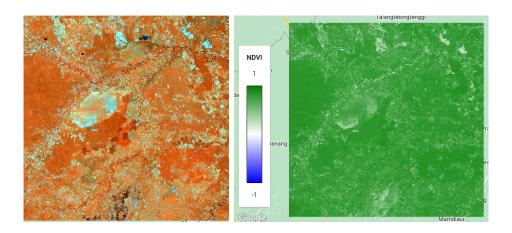


Figure 1: NIR-SWIR1-SWIR2 composite (left) and NDVI (right) image

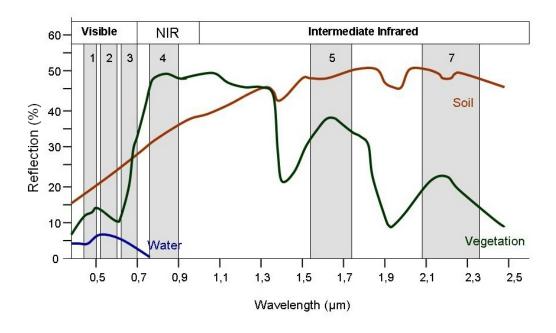


Figure 2: Spectral reflectance curve of soil, vegetation, and water on multiple electromagnetic spectrum [2]

While NDVI is useful for most cases, it is not perfect for every situation. In highly forested area, NDVI have a hard time to differentiate between more dense canopy. So a new index for vegetation or vegetation indices is developed: Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI) [3]. EVI utlize additional band or spectrum to its calculation. This index while can help on densely forested area, it also able to reduce atmospheric effect. Equation 2 is used to calculate EVI.

$$EVI = 2.5 * \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + 6 * RED - 7.5 * BLUE + 1}$$
 (2)

Other than EVI, there are many more vegetation indices for certain purpose and goal. Such as SAVI (Soil-Adjusted Vegetation) where it try to reduce the effect of soil in sparse vegetation [4] (Equation 3); EMVI (Enhanced Mangrove Vegetation Index) to help identify mangrove vegetation or wet dense vegetation (Equation 4) [5]; and NBR (Equation 5) (Normalized Burn Ratio) to help analyze burn severity, it can also differenciate between much more dense forest [6].

$$SAVI = \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + RED + 0.5} * 1.5 \tag{3}$$

$$EMVI = \frac{GREEN - SWIR2}{SWIR1 - GREEN} \tag{4}$$

$$NBR = \frac{NIR - SWIR2}{NIR + SWIR2} \tag{5}$$

2 Calculating Vegetation Indices in Google Earth Engine

Google Earth Engine (GEE) is cloud-based geospatial analysis software for global scale and multitemporal data [7]. It is allow user to do analysis online without the need for high computation resources. It is also store many remote sensing data that can be use directly. This allow professionals and academics to utilize for many project and research.

Calculating vegetation indices is one method to analyze the landscape using multispectral satellite imagery. This imagery are available in the GEE, so instead of downloading the image then calculate the indices in a GIS software, is it now possible to do it directly in the cloud.

In GEE, an imagery or stack of multispectral imagery is represented by ee.Image object/class. This object will have several properties such as all the bands of stacked image inside, geometry boundary, date, source, and any other properties. Using the bands available in the ee.Image, it is possible to calculate vegetation indices. It could be done using mathematical operation such as add, subtract, multiply, & divide or using ee.Image.expression method where it receive two arguments: the formula in quoted text/string and band map or the definition of the formula's variables. Script 1 show the example to calculate NDVI using Landsat imagery.

```
// Importing landsat imagery collection surface reflectance (level 2)
1
2
   var landsat8 = ee.ImageCollection("LANDSAT/LC08/C02/T1_L2");
3
4
   // ee.Geometry object to filter and clip image
   var roi = ee.Geometry({
5
     "geodesic": false,
6
     "type": "Polygon"
7
8
     "coordinates": [
9
       10
```

```
11
            102.72375815056746,
12
            -3.084684226459141
13
         ],
14
            103.27307455681746,
15
16
            -3.084684226459141
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24
            -2.5387744837647532
25
         ],
26
27
            102.72375815056746,
28
            -3.084684226459141
29
30
       ]
31
     ]
   });
32
33
34
   // Filter the imagery using boundary and date
35
   var image = landsat8.filterBounds(roi) // Filter by region
     .filterDate('2023-01-01', '2023-12-31') // Filter by date
36
37
     .sort('CLOUD_COVER_LAND') // Sort by the fewest cloud cover
38
     .first() // Get the first image from the collection
     .clip(roi) // Clip the image
39
40
     .select(['SR_B.*'], ['B1', 'B2', 'B3', 'B4', 'B5', 'B6', 'B7']) // Select
      only useful bands
     .multiply (0.0000275) add (-0.2); // Scaled it to 0-1
41
42
43
   // Band map to define the band use for calculation
   var bandMap = {
44
     NIR: image.select('B5'),
45
46
     RED: image.select('B4')
   };
47
48
49
   // Calculate NDVI
   var ndvi = image.expression('NDVI = (NIR - RED) / (NIR + RED)', bandMap);
50
51
52
   // Show NDVI to map
   Map.addLayer(NDVI, { min: -1, max: 1, palette: ['blue', 'white', 'green'] },
53
        'NDVI');
```

Listing 1: GEE script to calculate NDVI from Landsat 8 OLI imagery

3 Applying Relational Operation to Classify Vegetation Type

Certain value in vegetation indices could determine the type of land cover or type of vegetation. However, this the values of a certain region might not be fit with other region, so it will always need for assessment per region. Usually, it could be useful to utilize many indices, so not only vegetation, like NDWI (Normalized Difference Water Index) and NDBI (Normalized Difference Built-up Index) to make more diverse classification.

To mask or group certain land cover or vegetation type using indices, you can determine

the threshold of the indices value. In GEE, it can utilize using relational operation such as lt, lte, gt, gte, eq, neq, and, or, where each will state if our threshold is lower than (lt) or greater than (gte) of certain value.

This process is usually branched, so instead of using it once to determine the threshold of many type, it done it using binary, where if it true belong to a super group, it will be group futher into sub-classes. For example, to determine vegetation, it should be on land, so the index that can differenciate between land and water such as MDNWI (Modified Normalized Difference Water Index) is used. Then to differenciate between vegetation and non vegetation. After getting the vegetation, it can be differenciate between dense and sparse vegetation. Then eacy type vegetation can be more differenciate between wet and dry vegetation. Script 2 show example how to apply that method.

```
1
      image is the landsat imagery
   // Band map to define the band use for calculation
3
   var bandMap = {
4
     SWIR2: image.select('B7'),
5
     SWIR1: image.select('B6'),
6
     NIR: image.select('B5'),
7
     RED: image.select('B4'),
     GREEN: image.select('B3'),
8
     BLUE: image.select('B2'),
9
10
   };
11
12
   // Calculate MNDWI
   var mndwi = image.expression('MNDWI = (GREEN - SWIR1) / (GREEN + SWIR1)',
13
      bandMap);
14
15
   // Calculate NBR
   var nbr = image.expression('NBR = (NIR - SWIR2) / (NIR + SWIR2)', bandMap);
16
17
   // Calculate NBR2
18
   var nbr2 = image.expression('NBR = (SWIR1 - SWIR2) / (SWIR1 + SWIR2)',
19
      bandMap);
20
21
   // Calculate NDBI
22
   var ndbi = image.expression('NDBI = (SWIR1 - NIR) / (SWIR1 + NIR)', bandMap)
23
24
   // Define water and land
25
   var water = mndwi.gte(0.2);
   var land = water.eq(0);
27
28
   // Define wet and dry land
29
   var wetland = land.and(mndwi.gt(0));
30
   var dryland = land.and(wetland.eq(0));
31
32
   // Define built-up and bareland
33
   var built = dryland.and(ndbi.gt(-0.2)).and(nbr2.lt(0.15));
34
   var bareland = dryland.and(ndbi.gt(-0.2).and(nbr2.gte(0.15)));
35
36
   // Define vegetation and not vegetation
   var vegetation = land.and(nbr.gt(0));
37
38
   var nonVegetation = land.and(vegetation.eq(0));
39
40
   // Define wet and dry vegetation
   var wetVegetation = vegetation.and(wetland);
41
   var dryVegetation = vegetation.and(dryland);
42
43
   // Define vegetation density for wetland
```

```
var marsh = wetVegetation.and(nbr.lt(0.3)); // Marsh is low wet vegetation
45
46
   var wetShrub = wetVegetation.and(nbr.gte(0.3).and(nbr.lt(0.7)));
47
   var swamp = wetVegetation.and(nbr.gte(0.7));
48
   // Define vegetation density for dryland
49
50
   var lowVegetation = dryland.and(nbr.lt(0.3));
   var shrub = dryland.and(nbr.gte(0.3).and(nbr.lt(0.7)));
51
52
   var forest = dryland.and(nbr.gte(0.7));
53
   // Land cover visualization parameter
54
55
   var vis = {
56
     'lulc_class_values': [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 ],
     'lulc_class_palette': [ '90EE90', '228B22', '006400', '00FFFF', '00CED1',
57
       '008080', 'F08080', 'DEB887', '87CEFA']
   };
58
59
60
   // Combine land cover
   var landcover = ee.Image(0).where(lowVegetation, 1)
61
62
     .where(shrub, 2)
63
     .where(forest, 3)
64
     .where(marsh, 4)
65
     .where(wetShrub, 5)
66
     .where(swamp, 6)
     .where(built, 7)
67
68
     .where(bareland, 8)
69
     .where(water, 9)
70
     .selfMask()
71
     .rename('lulc')
72
     .set(vis); // set style
73
   // Show land cover
74
   Map.addLayer(landcover, {}, 'Land cover');
75
```

Listing 2: GEE Script to Classify Vegetation Type using Relational Operation

Script 2 will resulting in creating a land cover map with limited classes like in Figure 3.

4 Vegetation Classification using Machine Learning

Using spectral indices range to classify land cover or vegetation types is limited. There are more vegetatip type that cant be easily classify such as palm oil, cropland, plantation forest, etc.. There in need more complex classificatio system such as using machine learning.

Machine learning is a term used to describe a complex statistical algorithms which receive inputs or predictors and output a label/value or prediction. Linear regression is machine learning, although most people will likely considered newest and robust one such as decision trees, random forest, support vector machine, and deep learning.

We can utilize some of this machine learning model to help us classify vegetation in Google Earth Engine. All of the machine learning model for either classification and regression can be accessed from ee.Classifier class. Some of the model that available are smileRandomForest, smileGradientTreeBoost, KNN, minimumDistance, & libsvm. The SMILE part in the class is Statistical Machine Intelligence and Learning Engine, a library of machine learning in Scale, Java, and Kotlin.

To use the model, we need to sample the different type of vegetation and other land cover first. You could do this in GIS program such as QGIS or ArcGIS or you can do it directly in GEE using the drawing features. In GEE, each class should be presented using value of integer: 1, 2, 3, ... So not as a string, where each value represent one class. So when making

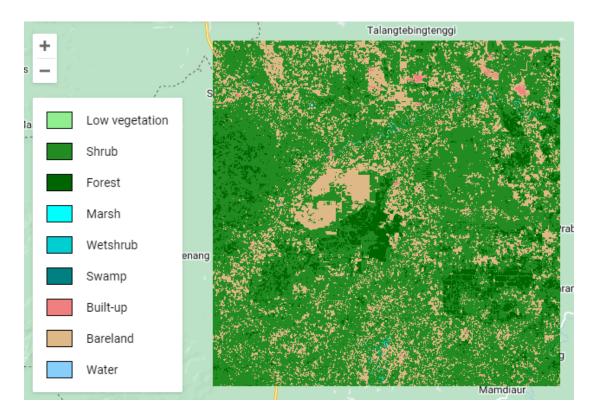


Figure 3: Land cover from spectral index

the geometry as sample as shapefile, the are column with value in integer.

The sample for land cover needed to split into training and testing to see the accuracy of the model. Usually its done by splitting sample for each classes by 4:1 ratio where 4 is for training. After split. You could extract the pixel value from the image using sampleRegions method from the ee.Image of features to be extracted where the arguments for the collection is the sample. Next the model will be train using the sample where the trained or fitted model will be applied to the image resulting in land cover of vegetation cover. The example of the script used can be seen in Script 3. Where it utilize ee.Classifier.smileRandomForest as machine learning model.

```
image is the multispectral imagery
1
   // sample is vegetation type or land cover sample
3
   // Column of the class value in integer
4
   var classProperty = 'classvalue'
5
6
7
   // Classlist
   var values = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11];
8
9
   var names = ['Grassland', 'Cropland', 'Shrub', 'Palm oil', 'Plantation
      forest', 'Natural forest', 'Wetland', 'Ricefield', 'Built-up', 'Bareland'
      , 'Water'];
   var palette = ['90EE90', 'FFD700', '808000', 'FF4500', 'A0522D', '006400', '
10
      40E0D0', '008080', 'F08080', 'DEB887', '87CEFA'];
11
   // Split the sample into train and test
12
   sample = ee.FeatureCollection(values.map(function(value){
13
     var samplePerClass = sample.filter(ee.Filter.eq(classProperty, value)).
14
      randomColumn(); // Add random value column to the sample
15
     var train = samplePerClass.filter(ee.Filter.lte('random', 0.8)).map(
16
      function(feat){ return feat.set('sample', 'train')});
17
```

```
var test = samplePerClass.filter(ee.Filter.gt('random', 0.8)).map(function
18
      (feat){ return feat.set('sample', 'test')});;
19
20
     return train.merge(test);
21
   })).flatten();
22
23
   // Extract value of the image using the sample
24
   var extract = image.sampleRegions({
25
     collection: sample,
26
     scale: 30,
     properties: [classProperty, 'sample']
27
28
   });
29
30
   // Split it again after extract
   var train = extract.filter(ee.Filter.eq('sample', 'train'));
31
32
   var test = extract.filter(ee.Filter.eq('sample', 'test'));
33
34
35
   var model = ee.Classifier.smileRandomForest(50).train(train, classProperty,
      image.bandNames());
36
37
   // Classify the image
38
   var lulc = image.classify(model, 'lulc')
39
     .set({
40
       lulc_class_values: values,
41
       lulc_class_palette: palette
42
     });
43
44
   // Show the result
45
   Map.addLayer(lulc, {}, 'Land cover');
46
47
   // Asses the accuracy
   var confusionMatrix = test.classify(model, 'prediction').errorMatrix(
48
      classProperty, 'prediction');
49
   print('Confusion matrix', cm);
   print('Overall accuracy', cm.accuracy());
50
   print('Kappa', cm.kappa());
```

Listing 3: GEE Script to Classify Vegetation Type using Machine Learning

5 Compositing and Preprocessing Multitemporal Satellite Imagery

To compare the difference between a region between two different time, it is usually common to use multitemporal data. While taking two different data is easy, usually you need to make sure the radiometric value of the same object in different image is the same. It is due to different time might affect the atmospheric condition when the image is taken, usually more cloudy could result in more bright pixel and shadowy could make pixel darker. Other aerial distrubance such as aerosol might affect the valued of the pixel.

To accommodate the variaty of value between two temporal imagery like in different year, it is common to use the same month of at least in the same season. Another technique is using calibrating it using PIF matching or pseudo-invariant feature matching where we pick unchanged pixel between different time then do a linear regression where the label is either the first or the last images. This method expect that it could resulting in more duplicate radiometric between two different temporal image. Script 4 show how to do just that in Earth

Engine

```
1
   // Importing landsat imagery collection surface reflectance (level 2)
2
   var landsat8 = ee.ImageCollection("LANDSAT/LC08/C02/T1_L2");
3
4
   // ee.Geometry object to filter and clip image
5
   var roi = ee.Geometry({
     "geodesic": false,
6
     "type": "Polygon",
7
8
     "coordinates": [
9
       10
            102.72375815056746,
11
12
            -3.084684226459141
13
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24
            -2.5387744837647532
25
         ],
26
         Γ
27
            102.72375815056746,
28
            -3.084684226459141
29
30
       1
31
32
   });
33
34
   // Year list to analyze
35
   var years [2021, 2022, 2023];
36
   // Bands list
37
   var bands = ['B1', 'B2', 'B3', 'B4', 'B5', 'B6', 'B7'];
38
39
40
   // Image visualization parameter
   var vis = { min: [0.1, 0.07, 0.05], max: [0.4, 0.3, 0.2], bands: ['B5', 'B6']
41
      , 'B7'] };
42
43
   // Generate image per year
   var images = ee.Image(years.map(function(year){
44
45
46
     // Filter the imagery using boundary and date
47
     var image = landsat8.filterBounds(roi) // Filter by region
       .filterDate(year + '-01-01', year + '-12-31') // Filter by date
48
49
       .sort('CLOUD_COVER_LAND') // Sort by the fewest cloud cover
       .first() // Get the first image from the collection
50
       .clip(roi) // Clip the image
51
       .select(['SR_B.*'], bands) // Select only useful bands
52
       .multiply (0.0000275) .add (-0.2); // Scaled it to 0-1
53
54
55
     // Show original Image
     Map.addLayer(image, vis, 'Original_' + year);
56
57
58
     return image2022.rename(bands.map(function(band){
```

```
59
       return band + '_' + year;
60
     })); // Rename band
61
   }));
62
63
   // Calibration parameter
64
   // Years to calibrate
   var yearsCalibrate = [2021, 2022];
65
66
   var masterYear = 2023;
67
   // Generate sample from the PIF sample generated
68
69
   // pifSample is the sample for PIF
70
   var extract = images.sampleRegions({
71
     collection: pifSample,
72
     scale: 30,
73
   });
74
75
   // Generate and apply model for each year and bands
   var imagesCalibrated = years.map(function(year){
76
77
     var calibrated = bands.map(function(band){
       var model = extract.reduceColumns(ee.Reducer.linearFit, [ band + '_' +
78
      year, band + '_' + masterYear ]);
79
       var bandCalibrated = images.select(band + '_' + year).multiply(ee.Number
80
      (model.get('scale'))).add(ee.Number(model.get('offset'))).rename(band);
81
82
       return bandCalibrated;
83
     });
84
85
     // Show calibrated image
86
     Map.addLayer(calibrated, vis, 'Calibrated' + year);
87
     return { year: year, image: calibrated };
88
89
   });
```

Listing 4: GEE Script to Preprocess Multitemporal Image

6 Applying Vegetation Indices to Multitemporal Data

If we want to analyze the pattern of vegetation across seasons or year, we can apply vegetation indices to multitemporal imagery. To apply that, we can easily use map to the ee.ImageCollection. Where on the function we use for looping (map), we can generate vegetation indices. Script 5 show to apply that

```
// Importing landsat imagery collection surface reflectance (level 2)
   var landsat8 = ee.ImageCollection("LANDSAT/LC08/C02/T1_L2");
3
   // ee.Geometry object to filter and clip image
4
5
   var roi = ee.Geometry({
     "geodesic": false,
6
7
     "type": "Polygon",
8
     "coordinates": [
9
       10
11
           102.72375815056746,
           -3.084684226459141
12
13
         ],
14
15
           103.27307455681746,
16
           -3.084684226459141
```

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            -2.5387744837647532
25
         ],
26
27
            102.72375815056746,
28
            -3.084684226459141
29
30
       ]
31
     ]
32
   });
33
34
   // Filter images
35
   var images = landsat8.filterBounds(roi).filterDate('2021-01-01', '2023-12-31
       <sup>,</sup>);
36
37
   // Function to generate NDVI
38
   function ndvi(image){
39
     image = image.select(['SR_B.*'], bands) // Select only useful bands
        .multiply (0.0000275) add (-0.2); // Scaled it to 0-1
40
41
     // Band map to define the band use for calculation
42
43
     var bandMap = {
44
       NIR: image.select('B5'),
45
       RED: image.select('B4')
46
     };
47
48
     // Calculate NDVI
49
     var ndvi = image.expression('NDVI = (NIR - RED) / (NIR + RED)', bandMap);
50
51
     return image.select([]).addBands(ndvi);
52
   }
53
54
   // Apply ndvi function to images
   var imagesNDVI = images.map(ndvi);
55
```

Listing 5: GEE Script to Preprocess Multitemporal Image

7 Time-series Modelling of Vegetation Indices

After generating vegetation indices from multiple images, it is not possible to see the pattern. We can observe the pattern by modelling it using chart where we can see the peach and valley of vegetation condition for certain season. We can utilize ui.Chart class to plot it. Script 6 will show you how to do it

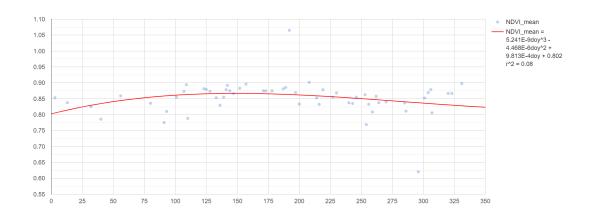
```
1
  // Importing landsat imagery collection surface reflectance (level 2)
  var landsat8 = ee.ImageCollection("LANDSAT/LC08/C02/T1_L2");
3
4
  // ee.Geometry object to filter and clip image
5
  var roi = ee.Geometry({
6
    "geodesic": false,
7
    "type": "Polygon",
8
    "coordinates": [
9
```

```
10
          11
            102.72375815056746,
12
            -3.084684226459141
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            102.72375815056746,
24
            -2.5387744837647532
25
         ],
26
          Γ
27
            102.72375815056746,
28
            -3.084684226459141
29
          ٦
       ]
30
31
     ]
32
   });
33
34
   // Filter and apply some function to landsat
   var col = landsat8.filterBounds(roi).filterDate('2013-01-01', '2023-12-31').
35
      map(function(image){
36
     // Cloud masking
37
     var qa = image.select('QA_PIXEL');
38
     var dilated = 1 << 1;</pre>
     var cirrus = 1 << 2;</pre>
39
     var cloud = 1 << 3;</pre>
40
     var shadow = 1 << 4;</pre>
41
42
     var mask = qa.bitwiseAnd(dilated).eq(0)
       .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(cirrus).eq(0))
43
44
        .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(cloud).eq(0))
45
        . and(qa.bitwiseAnd(shadow).eq(0));
46
47
     // Cloud masked image
48
     var imageChange = image.updateMask(mask).multiply(0.0000275).add(-0.2)
49
        .select(['SR_B.*'], ['B1', 'B2', 'B3', 'B4', 'B5', 'B6', 'B7']);
50
     // Bandmap
51
52
     var bandMap = {
53
       NIR: imageChange.select('B5'),
54
       RED: imageChange.select('B4'),
       BLUE: imageChange.select('B2'),
55
       GREEN: imageChange.select('B3'),
56
57
       SWIR1: imageChange.select('B6'),
58
       SWIR2: imageChange.select('B7')
59
     };
60
     // Calculate NDVI
     var ndvi = imageChange.expression('NDVI = (NIR - RED) / (NIR + RED)',
61
      bandMap);
62
     return image.select([]).addBands(ndvi);
63
64
   });
65
66
   // Chart to see the pattern
67 | var chart = ui.Chart.image.doySeries(col, roi, ee.Reducer.mean(), 30, ee.
```

```
Reducer.mean())
68
      . setChartType('ScatterChart')
69
      .setOptions({
70
        dataOpacity: 0.3,
        trendlines: {
71
          // Show the line model using polynomial
72
73
          0: {
74
            type: 'polynomial',
75
            opacity: 1,
            color: 'red',
76
77
            showR2: true,
78
            visibleInLegend: true
79
          }
80
        }
     });
81
82
   print(chart);
```

Listing 6: GEE Script for Time Series Modelling

The result will be like this Figure 7



8 Time-series Animation of Vegetation Indices

While the chart model can be helpful, it is also possible to model it using visualization such as time-series animation. We can utilize ui.Chart.Thumbnail to do that. We are also able to use another packages to add text to the animation. Script 7.

```
Importing landsat imagery collection surface reflectance (level 2)
1
   var landsat8 = ee.ImageCollection("LANDSAT/LC08/C02/T1_L2");
3
   // ee.Geometry object to filter and clip image
4
5
   var roi = ee.Geometry({
     "geodesic": false,
6
7
     "type": "Polygon",
8
     "coordinates": [
9
       Г
10
            102.72375815056746,
11
12
            -3.084684226459141
13
         ],
14
         Γ
            103.27307455681746,
15
16
            -3.084684226459141
```

```
],
17
18
19
            103.27307455681746,
20
            -2.5387744837647532
21
         ],
22
          102.72375815056746,
23
24
            -2.5387744837647532
25
         ],
26
27
            102.72375815056746,
28
            -3.084684226459141
29
30
       ]
     ]
31
32
   });
33
34
   // Add text to image collection
35
   var imageText = landsat8.filterBounds(roi).filterDate('2021-01-01', '
      2021-12-31').map(function(image){
     var centroid = ee.Geometry.Point(ee.List(roi.centroid(1).buffer(20000).
36
      bounds().coordinates().get(0)).get(4));
37
     var label = draw(image.date().format('YYYY-MMMM-dd'), centroid, 100, {
38
      fontSize: 32 });
39
     var ndviVisualize = image.visualize({ min: -1, max: 1, palette: ['blue', '
40
      white', 'green'] }).blend(label);
41
42
     return image.select([]).addBands(ndviVisualize);
43
   });
44
45
   // Show the GIF
46
   imageText.getVideoThumbURL({
47
     framesPerSecond: 5,
48
     dimensions: 480,
49
     region: roi,
   }, function(url, err){
50
     err ? print(err) : print(url);
51
   });
52
```

Listing 7: GEE Script for Time Series Animation

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