

Question 7: Equation for 2D coordinates to raster index

Consider the coordinates (x_1, x_2) for a plane with dimensions (L_1, L_2) .

$$0 \leq x_1 < L_1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq x_2 < L_2 \quad \text{Eq. 1}$$

Let I be the index of any given coordinate.

When $x_2 = 0$, $I = x_1$.

When $x_2 = 1$, $I = x_1 + L_1$ Therefore, for any

$$x_2 > 1, \quad I = x_1 + x_2 L_1$$

Equation for Index to 2D coordinates

$$x_2 = I / L_1 \quad (\text{floor division})$$

because, there are $y \times L_1$ indices $< I$.

$$x_1 = I - \left[\frac{I}{L_1} \right] L_1$$

Extending to d-dimensions, $[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d]$

$$I_d = \left[\begin{array}{l} x_d (L_{d-1} \times L_{d-2} \times \dots \times L_1) + \\ x_{d-1} (L_{d-2} \times L_{d-1} \times \dots \times L_1) + \\ \vdots \\ x_2 L_1 + \\ x_1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d] = \left[\begin{array}{c} I_d - (I_d - L_{d-1} \times L_{d-2} \times \dots \times L_1) \end{array} \right]^T$$

Subtracting
iteratively

$$\begin{array}{r} \vdots \\ I_d - \left(\frac{I_d}{L_{d-1} \times L_{d-2} \times \dots \times L_1} \times L_{d-1} \times L_{d-2} \times \dots \times L_1 \right) \\ \hline I_d \\ L_{d-1} \times L_{d-2} \times \dots \times L_1 \end{array}$$