



# Climatic Processing Overview

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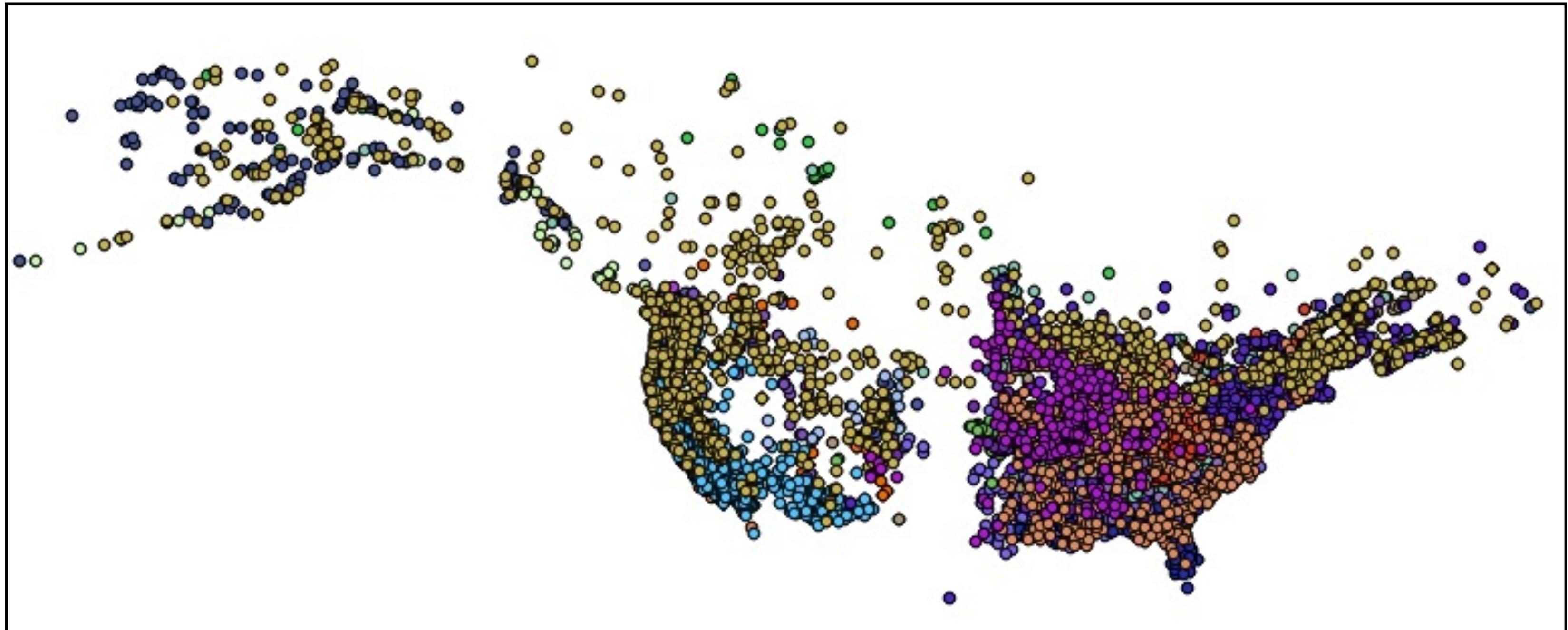


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# What data are we using?

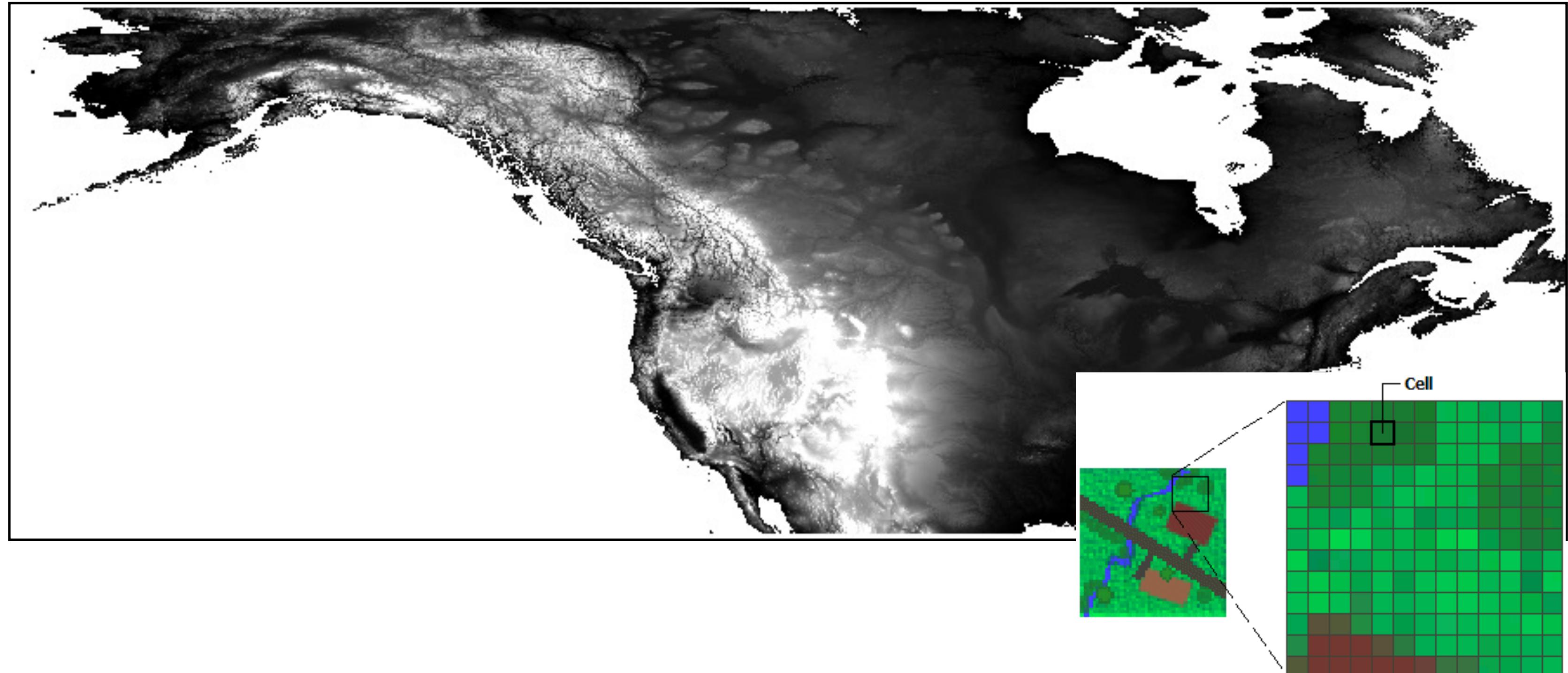
# What data are we using?

## 1. Georeferenced occurrence records



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## 2. Gridded abiotic data layers (or Raster)



Source: ArcMap

# Abiotic data layers

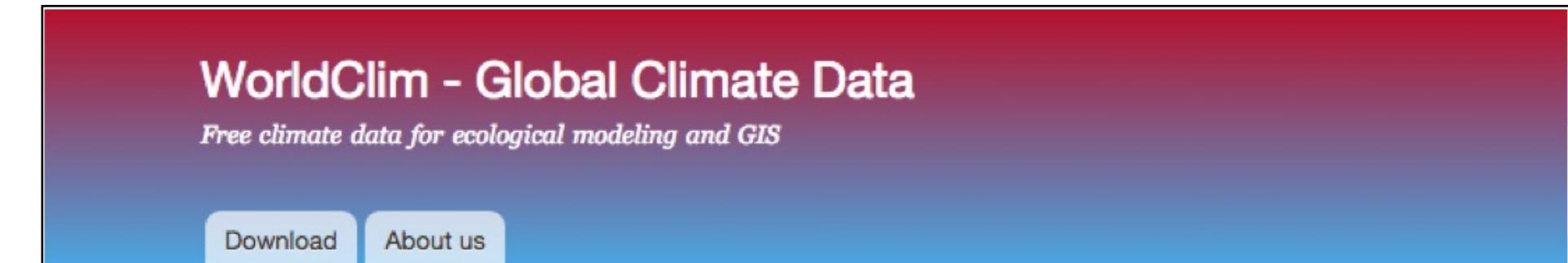
- What kinds?
  - Temperature, precipitation, soil, vegetation, land use
- Where?
  - Local, USA, North America, Global
- When?
  - Past, current, future

# Data layer sources



WorldClim

- PRISM
- Unified North American Soil Map
- USGS
- EPA
- NOAA
- PMIP
- AquaMaps
- And more!



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# WorldClim

[www.worldclim.org](http://www.worldclim.org)

- Global climate data
- Multiple resolutions
- 19 Bioclimatic variables derived from monthly temperature and rainfall values
- Current conditions:
  - averaged over past 50 years
- Future conditions:
  - climate projections from a number of global climate models with different greenhouse gas concentration trajectories
- Past conditions:
  - Mid-Holocene, Last Glacial Maximum, Last Inter-Glacial
- WorldClim 2 now available, has same 19 + new variable layers

## Download

You can download climate data for:

- [Current](#) conditions (interpolations of observed data, representative of 1950-2000)
- [Future](#) conditions: downscaled global climate model (GCM) data from CMIP5 (IPPC Fifth Assessment)
- [Past](#) conditions (downscaled global climate model output)

## WorldClim 1: Current conditions (~1960-1990)

If you need the highest resolution (**30 arc-seconds (~1 km)**) then you can [download by tile](#). See the [Methods](#) page for more info on how these data were generated, and [this page](#) for info on details about the data (such as units).

### Generic grid format

variable	10 minutes	5 minutes	2.5 minutes	30 seconds
minimum temperature (°C * 10)	tmin 10m	tmin 5m	tmin 2.5m	tmin 30s
maximum temperature (°C * 10)	tmax 10m	tmax 5m	tmax 2.5m	tmax 30s
average temperature (°C * 10)	tavg 10m	tavg 5m	tavg 2.5m	tavg 30s
precipitation (mm)	prec 10m	prec 5m	prec 2.5m	prec 30s
bioclimatic variables	bio 10m	bio 5m	bio 2.5m	bio 1-9, 10-19

# PRISM

[www.prism.oregonstate.edu](http://www.prism.oregonstate.edu)

- Climate data for the US
- More precise than WorldClim
- Data available from 1895 to present
- Lots of data and tools to explore

**[30-Year Normals](#)**: At the end of each decade, average 30-year normals covers the period 1981-2010.

**[Comparisons](#)**: Maps showing how observed values have changed over time using the Climate Indicator tool.

**[This Month](#)**: Although still very preliminary, results based on monthly observations.

**[Prior 6 Months](#)**: Provisional results based on both monthly and daily observations.

**[Recent Years](#)**: Daily and monthly observations become annual values computed at the end of each year.

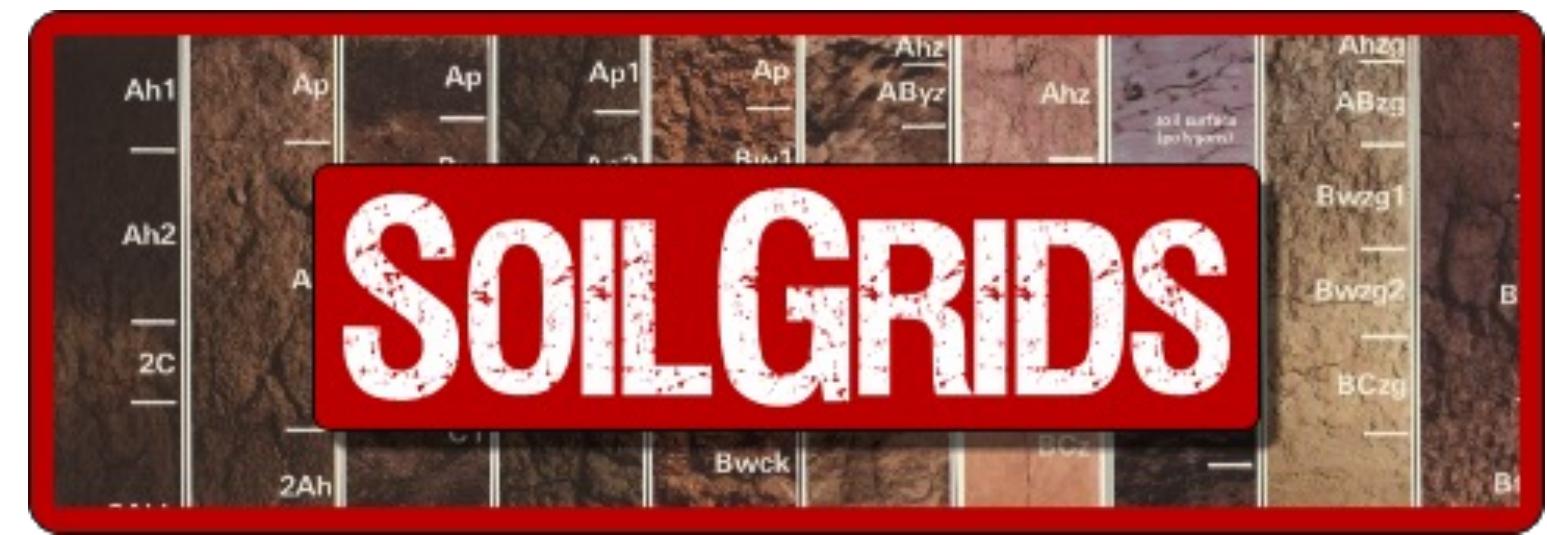
**[Historical Past](#)**: Values prior to 1981 are based on less frequent observations, primarily for the years 1895-1990.

## High-Resolution Data Available

The native grid resolution of the PRISM datasets is 800m, but they have been filtered to 4km resolution for easier downloading and manipulation on this website. The 800m versions of all PRISM datasets, which contain 25x more information, are available to users for a fee. Details on availability, pricing, and ordering are found [here](#).

# Soil Sources

- **SoilGrids2.0:**  
<https://soilgrids.org>
  - Entire globe
  - Eight characteristics of topsoil and subsoil
  - 2.5 arc second resolution



## SoilGrid Download

SoilGrid v2.0 Download

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With lots of help by: Mike Belitz ([Github: Mbelitz](#))

## Set working directory

Set the working directory, here I just checked to see where I was and made sure this is where I wanted to save the files.

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[mgaynor1/long-winded-scripts/SoilGridDownload/](https://github.com/mgaynor1/long-winded-scripts/tree/SoilGridDownload/)

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- **USGS:**  
<http://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/HomePage.htm>
  - US only
  - Need to define area of interest
  - Big files and tough to get large areas



The image shows two side-by-side screenshots. The left screenshot is the homepage of SoilGrids2.0, featuring a red banner with the word "SOILGRIDS" in white. Above the banner is a soil profile diagram with various horizons labeled: Ah1, Ah2, 2C, 2Ah, Ap, Ap1, Bw1, Bw2g1, Bw2g2, BCzg, AByz, Ahz, Ahzg, ABzg, and B. The right screenshot is the homepage of the Web Soil Survey (WebSoilsSurvey) from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service. It includes a navigation bar with links for Contact Us, Subscribe, Archived Soil Surveys, Soil Survey Status, Glossary, Preferences, Link, and Log In. Below the navigation bar are tabs for Area of Interest (AOI), Soil Map, Soil Data Explorer, and Download Soils Data. On the left, there's a search bar and sections for Area of Interest and Quick Navigation. On the right, there's an "Area of Interest Interactive Map" with a legend containing various icons.

# EPA

<http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/global/recorddisplay.cfm?deid=257306>

- Land use
  - County population projections
  - Housing density projections
  - Percent impervious surface projections

The screenshot shows a screenshot of the EPA Global Change Impacts & Adaptation website. The top navigation bar includes links for Advanced Search, A-Z Index, and a search bar. The main content area features a heading for "Global Change Impacts & Adaptation" and a sidebar with links for "Global Change Impact & Adaptation Home", "About us", "Staff", "Adaptation", "Decision Support", and "Vulnerability Assessment". The main content area also displays the breadcrumb trail: EPA Home » Climate Change » Global Change Research Program » Global Change Impacts & Adaptation » ICLUS Tools and Datasets (Version 1.3.2). The main content is titled "ICLUS Tools and Datasets (Version 1.3.2)" and includes a "Report Information" section describing the tool's purpose and functionality.

EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

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## ICLUS Tools and Datasets (Version 1.3.2)

### Report Information

As a part of the Integrated Climate and Land Use Scenarios (ICLUS) project, this Geographic Information System (GIS) tool can be used to generate scenarios of housing-density changes and calculate impervious surface cover for the conterminous United States. The ICLUS User's Guide accompanies the tool. This product distributes the population projections and creates land use data described in the 2009 EPA report "Land-Use Scenarios: National-Scale Housing-Density Scenarios Consistent with Climate Change Storylines".

# Other resources

## Paleoclimate data

- NOAA (NCEI):<https://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/data-access/paleoclimatology-data/datasets>
- PMIP: <https://pmip.lsce.ipsl.fr/>
- PaleoClim: <http://paleoclim.org/>

## Aquatic Environments

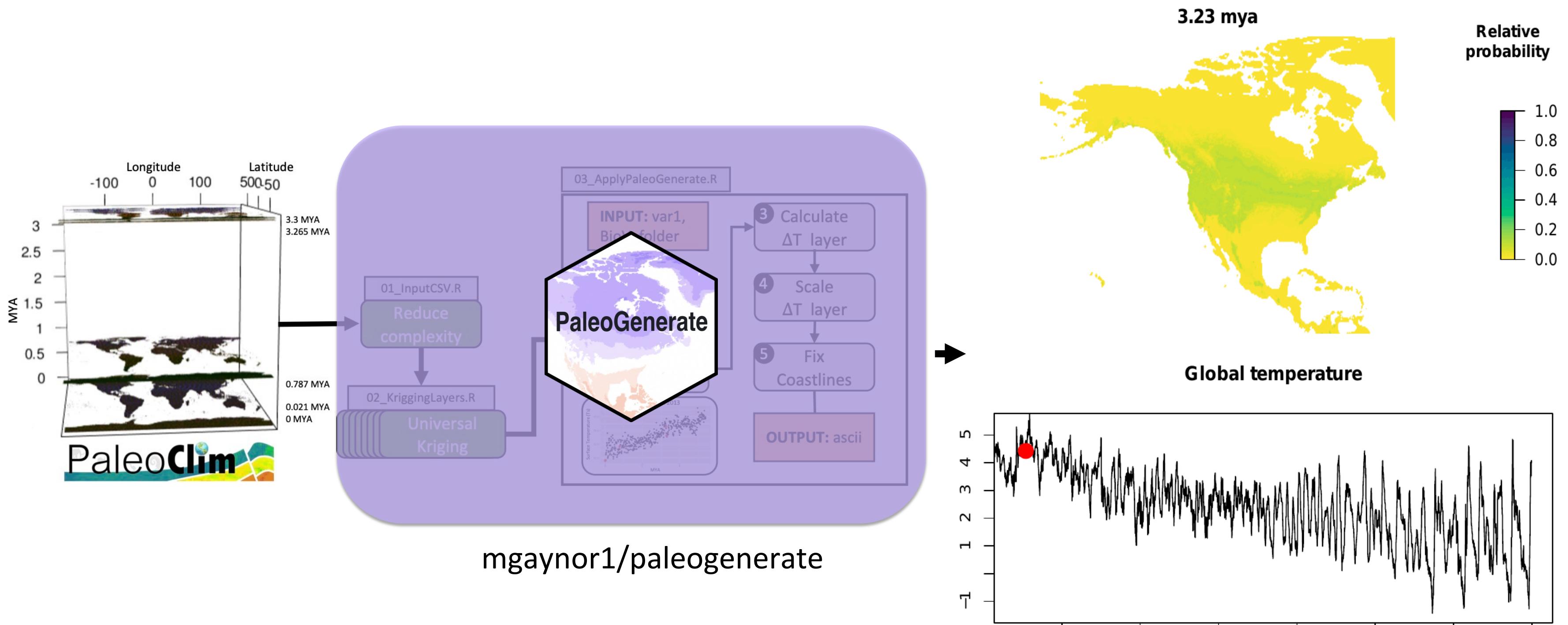
- AquaMaps: [http://www.aquamaps.org/main/envt\\_data.php](http://www.aquamaps.org/main/envt_data.php)

## Hourly or Daily data:

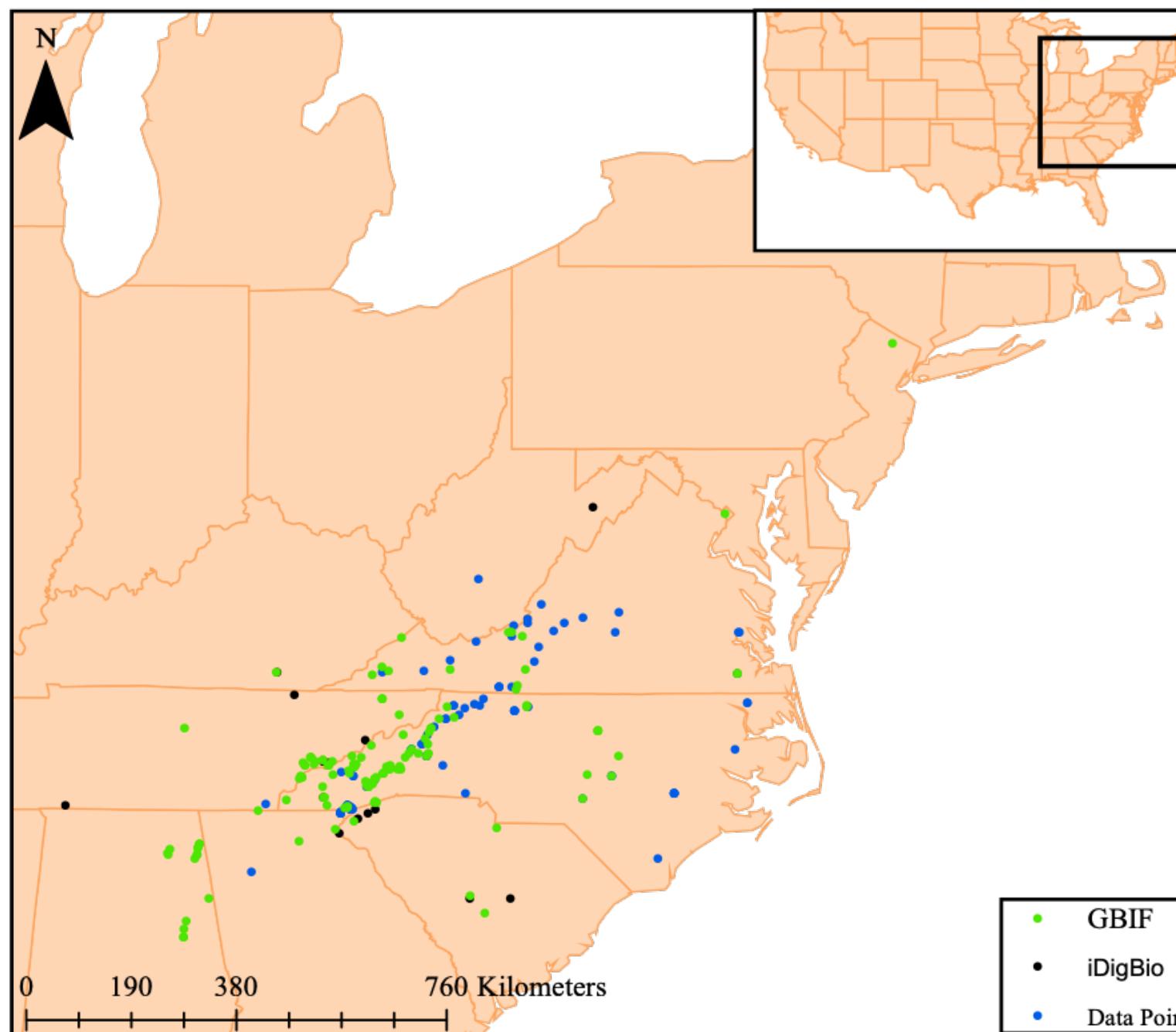
- OGIMET: ogimet.com
- Daymet: <https://daymet.ornl.gov/>

## Identifying Climatic Drivers of Hybridization with a New Ancestral Niche Reconstruction Method

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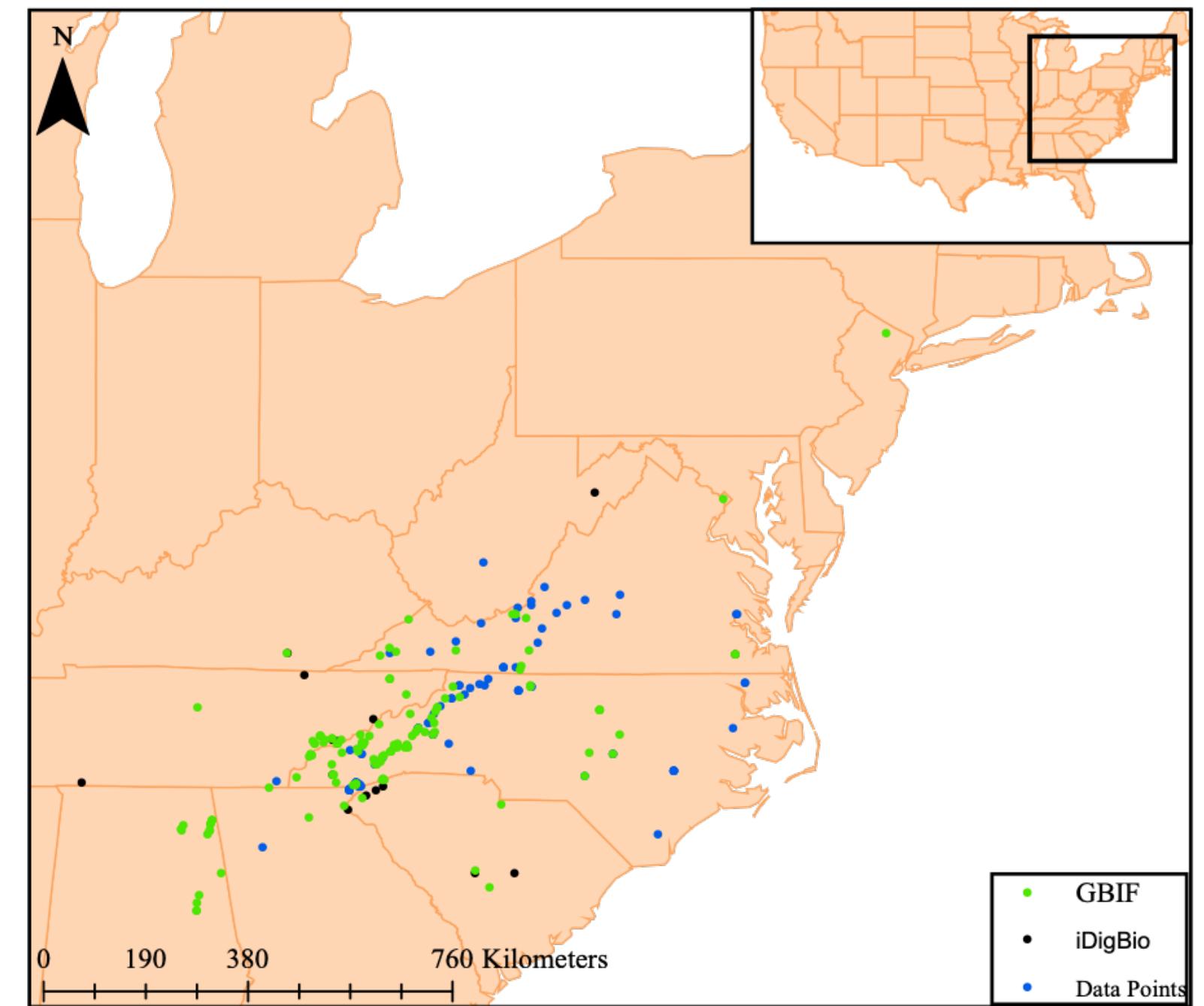
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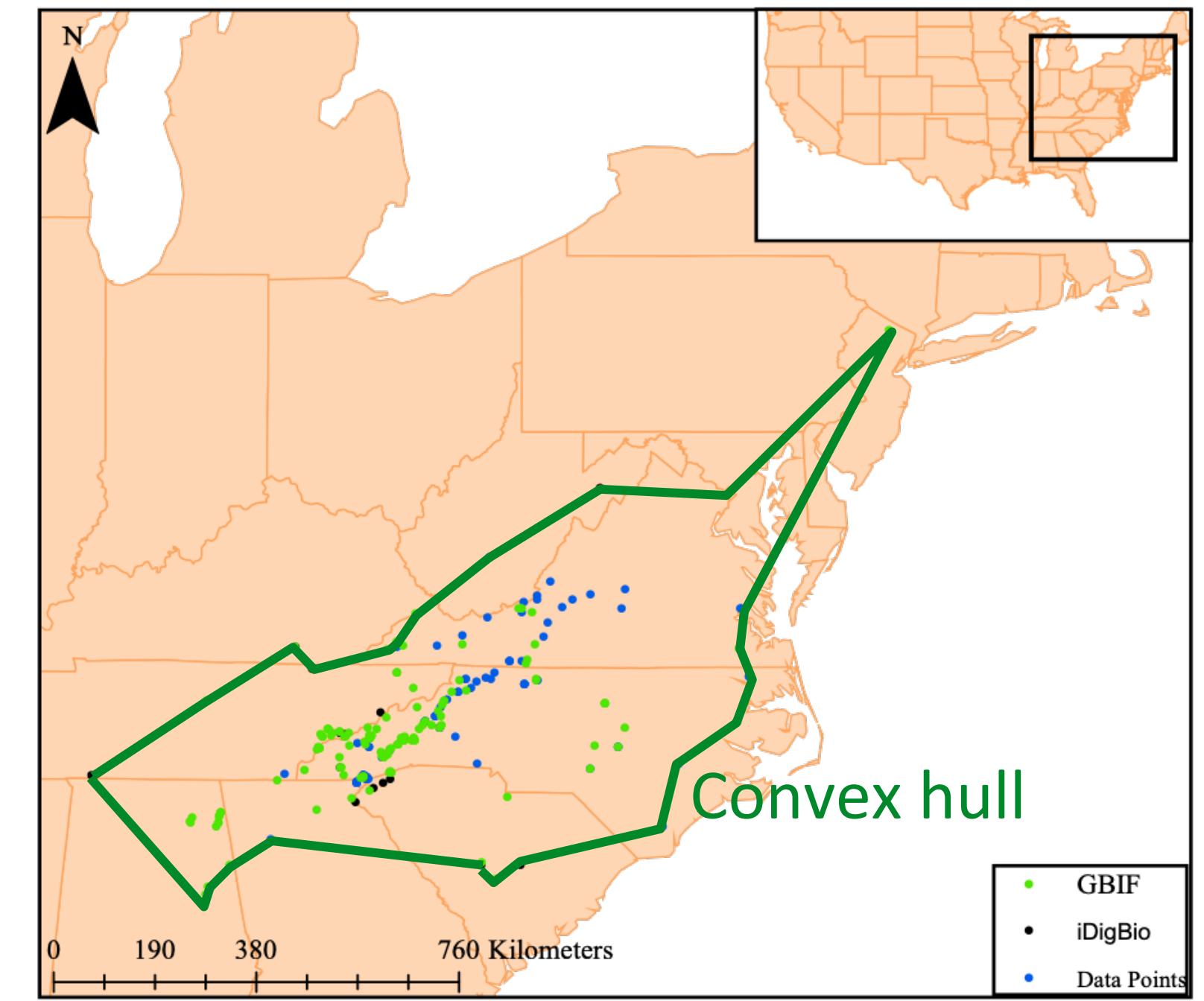
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2. Crop layers to the shared accessible area
3. Select layers for ecological niche modeling
4. Create species-specific training layers



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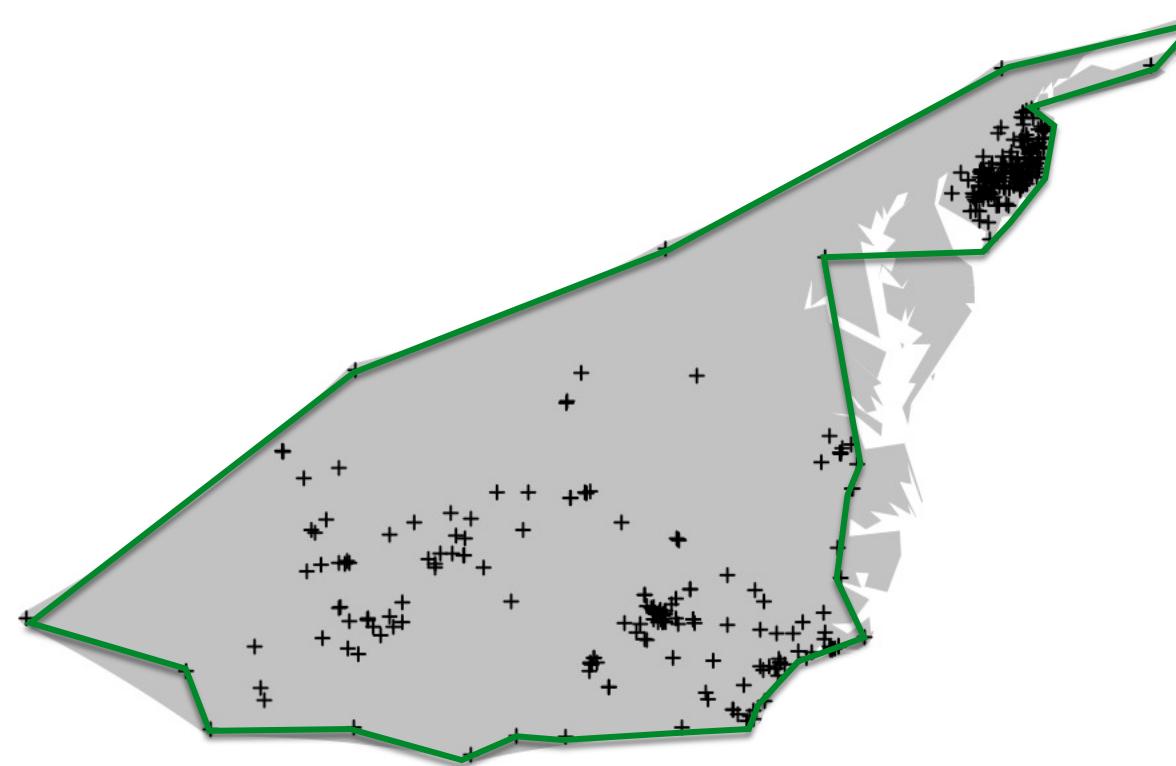
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## 2. Crop layers to the shared accessible area

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  - species ecology
  - dispersal ability
  - geographical barriers

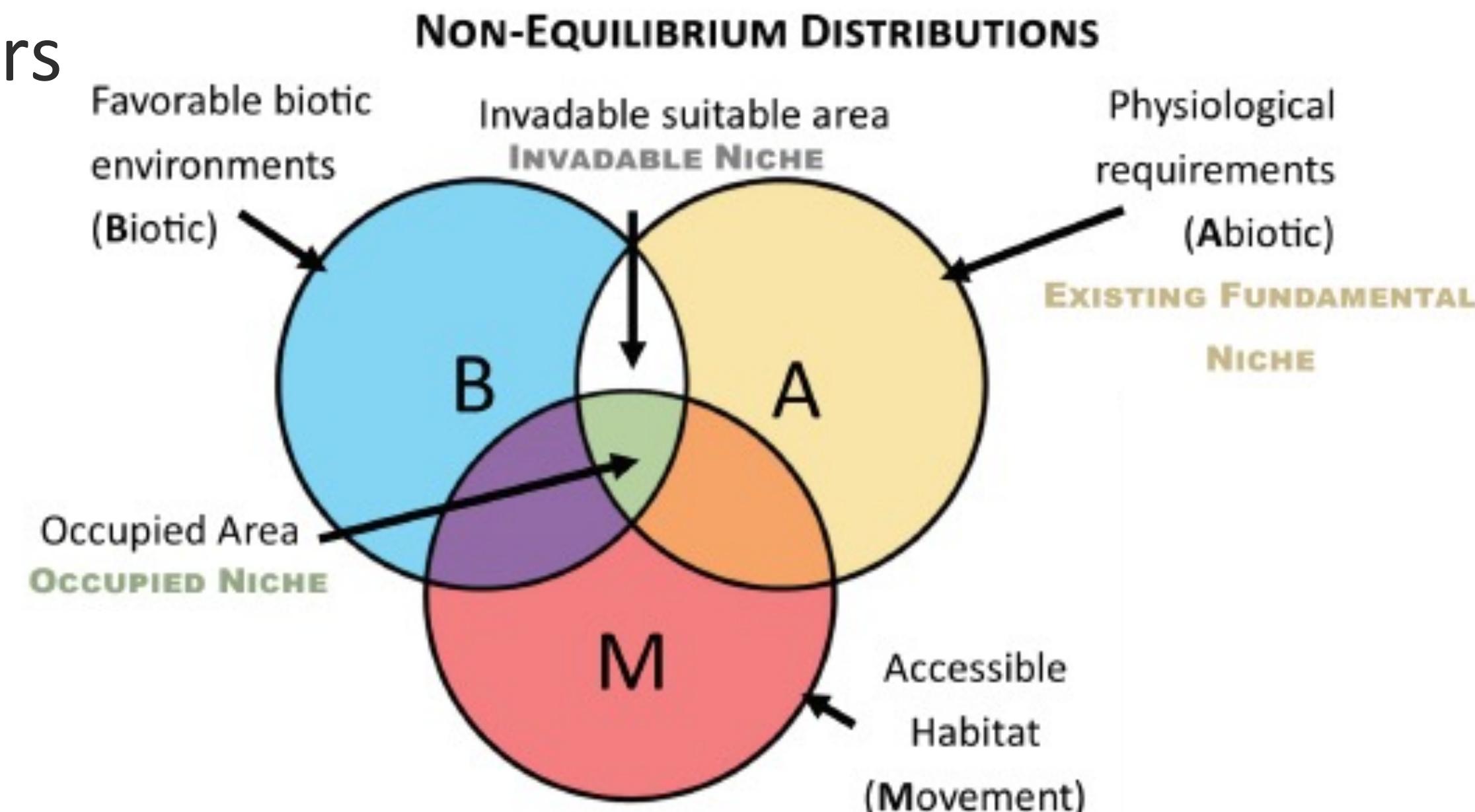


**alpha-hull:** piecewise series of linear simple curves

**convex-hull** is a type of alpha-hull

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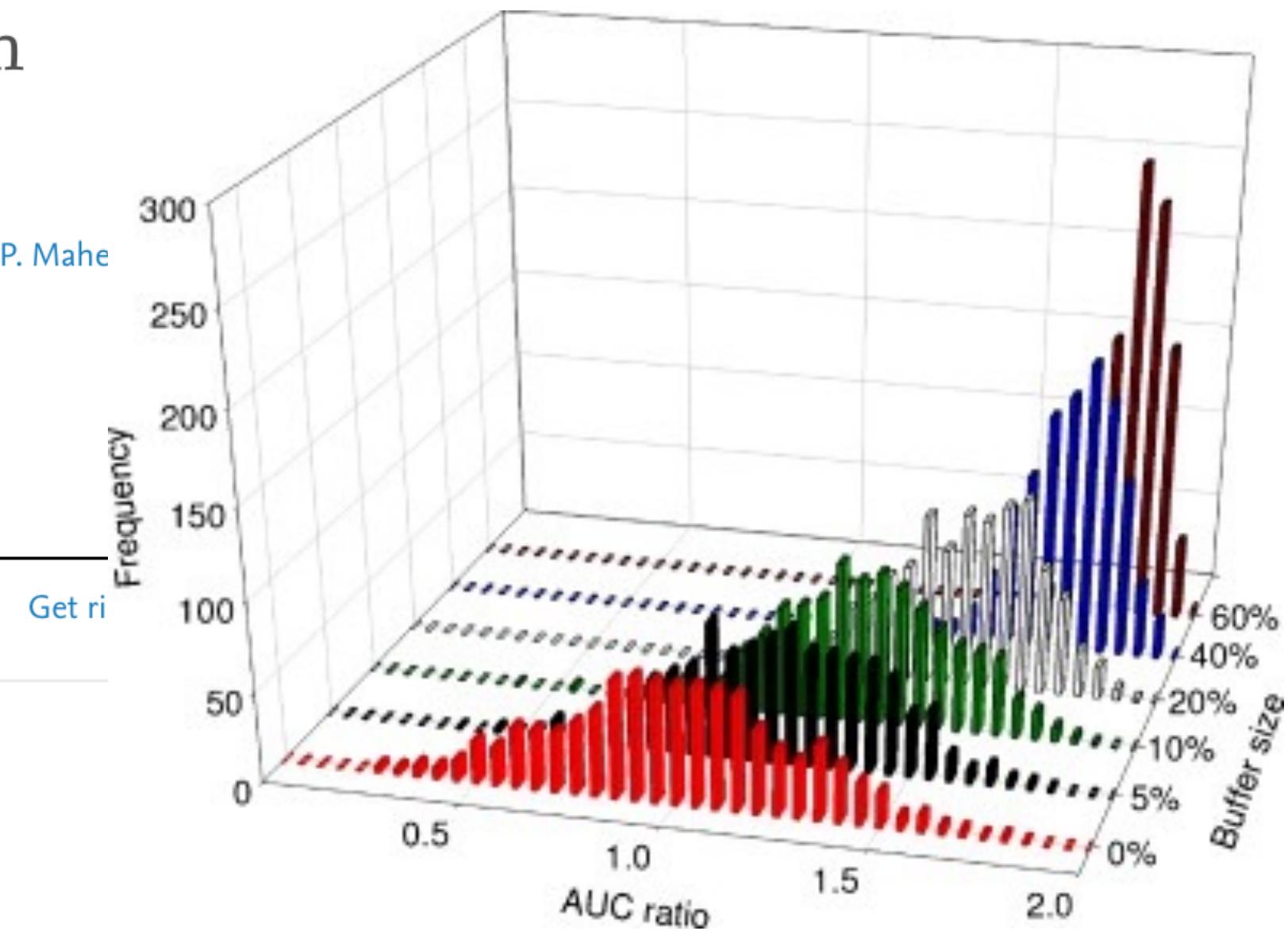
The crucial role of the accessible area in ecological niche modeling and species distribution modeling

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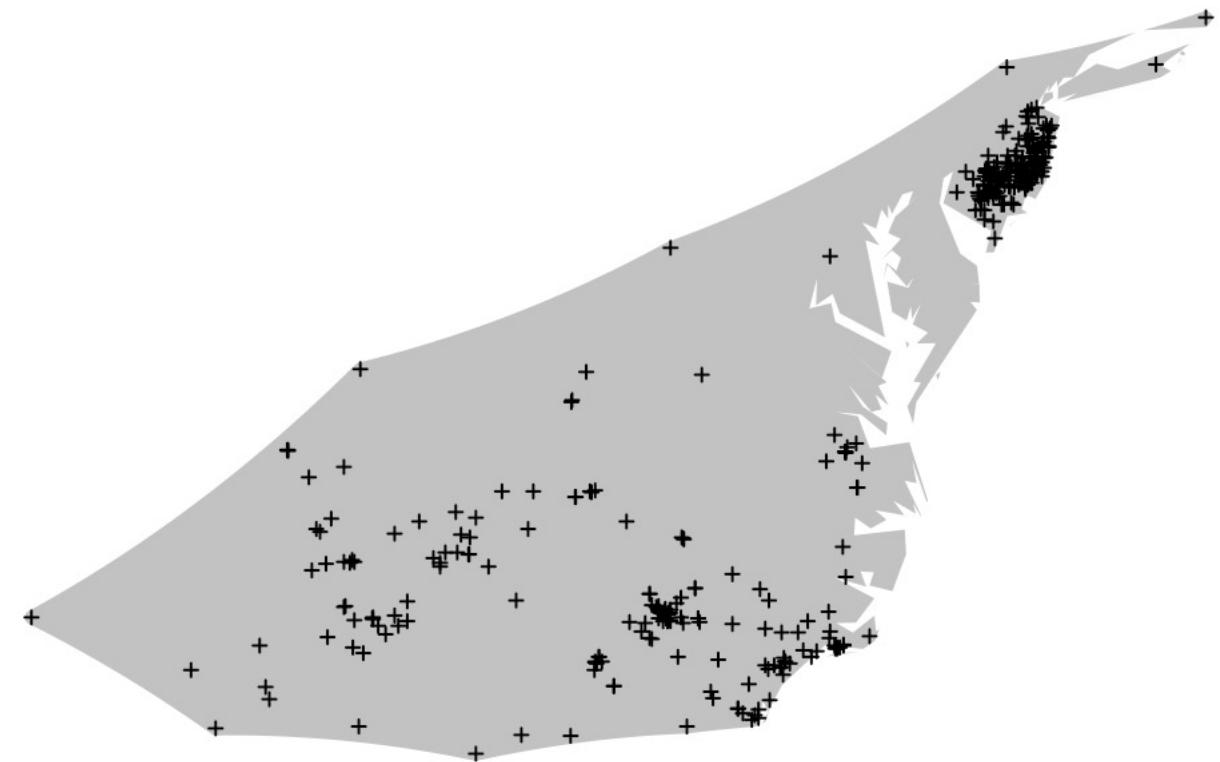
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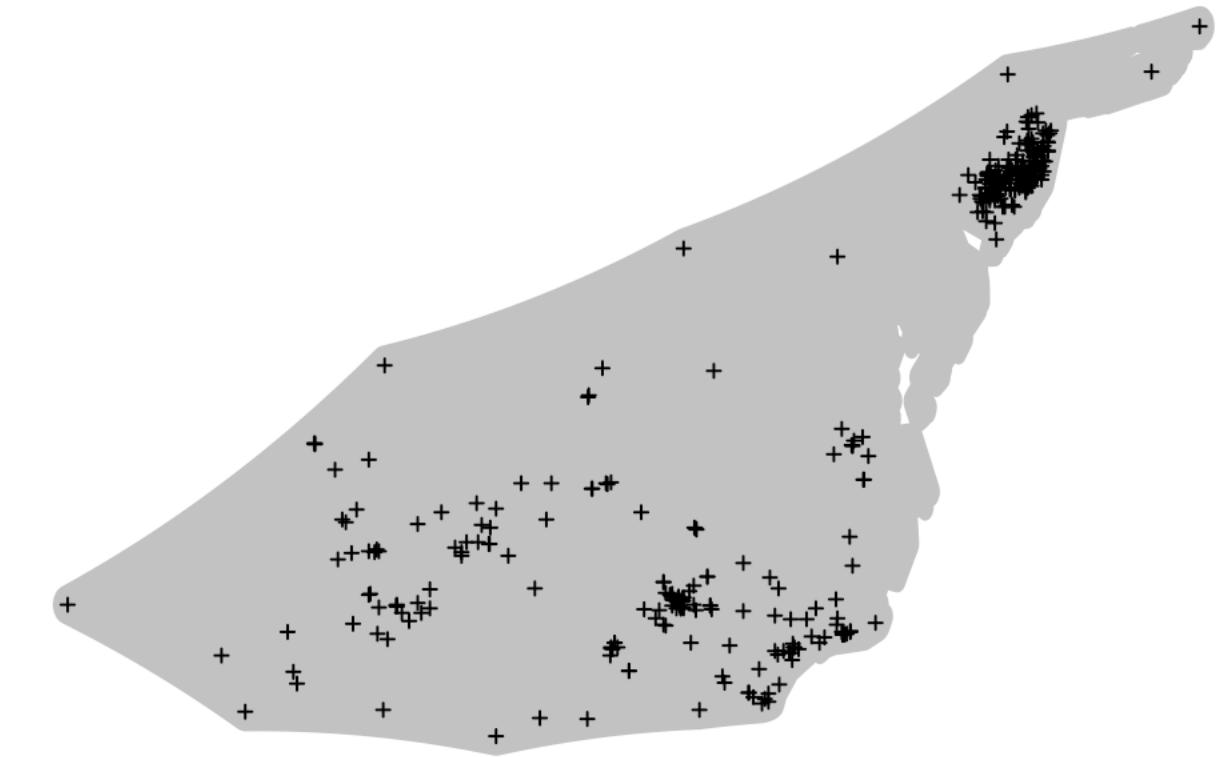


More area, AUC increased.  
higher model significance as buffer size increased

## 2. Crop layers to the shared accessible area



**alpha-hull**



**alpha-hull + buffer**

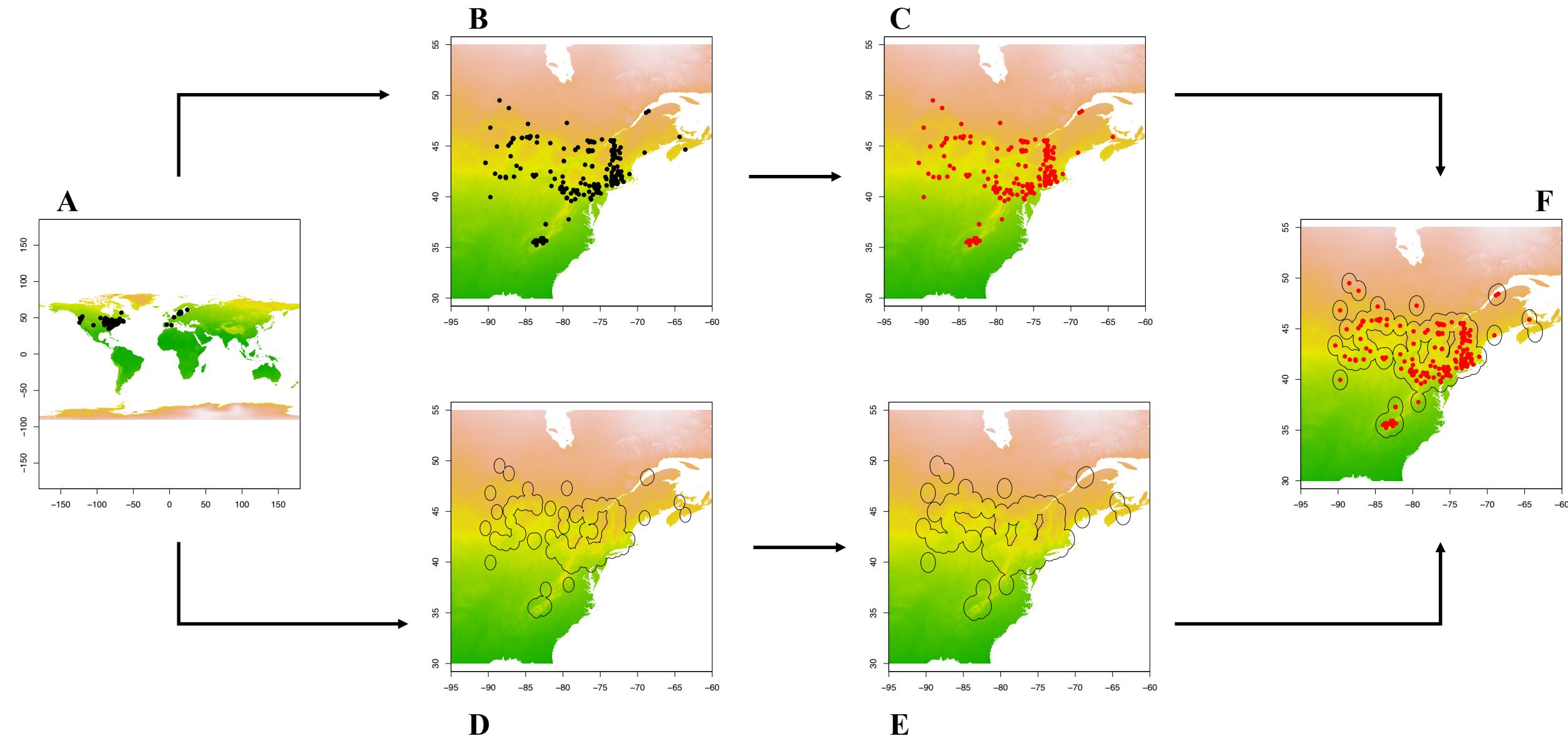
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### Defining the buffer:

- Identify clear distributional boundaries and ecoregions using the World Wildlife Fund Terrestrial Ecoregions (see Rautsaw et al. 2022.)
- Buffer size species-specific and based on the dispersal potential (see Naranjo et al. 2022)
- 80<sup>th</sup> quantile of the max distance between points (here)

## 2. Crop layers to the shared accessible area

- Point-based buffers!

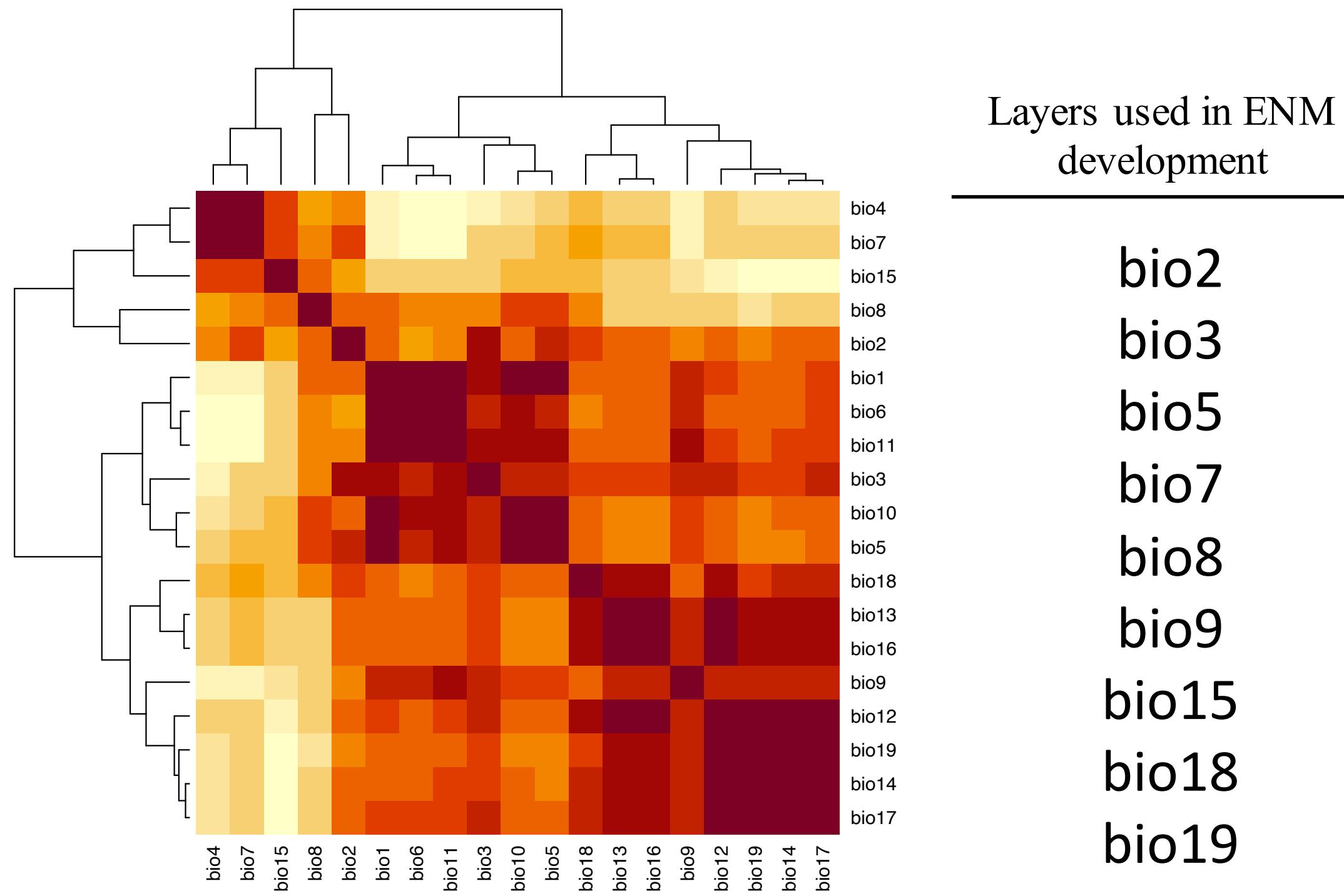


Many options for defining accessible area

### 3. Select layers for ecological niche modeling

<b>PCA</b>	PC1 + PC2 = ~95%	Reduces variables to axis
<b>Pearson correlation</b>	Removes variables >  0.80	Removes correlated variables
<b>Variable Inflation Factor</b>	Removes variables > 10	Removes collinear variables

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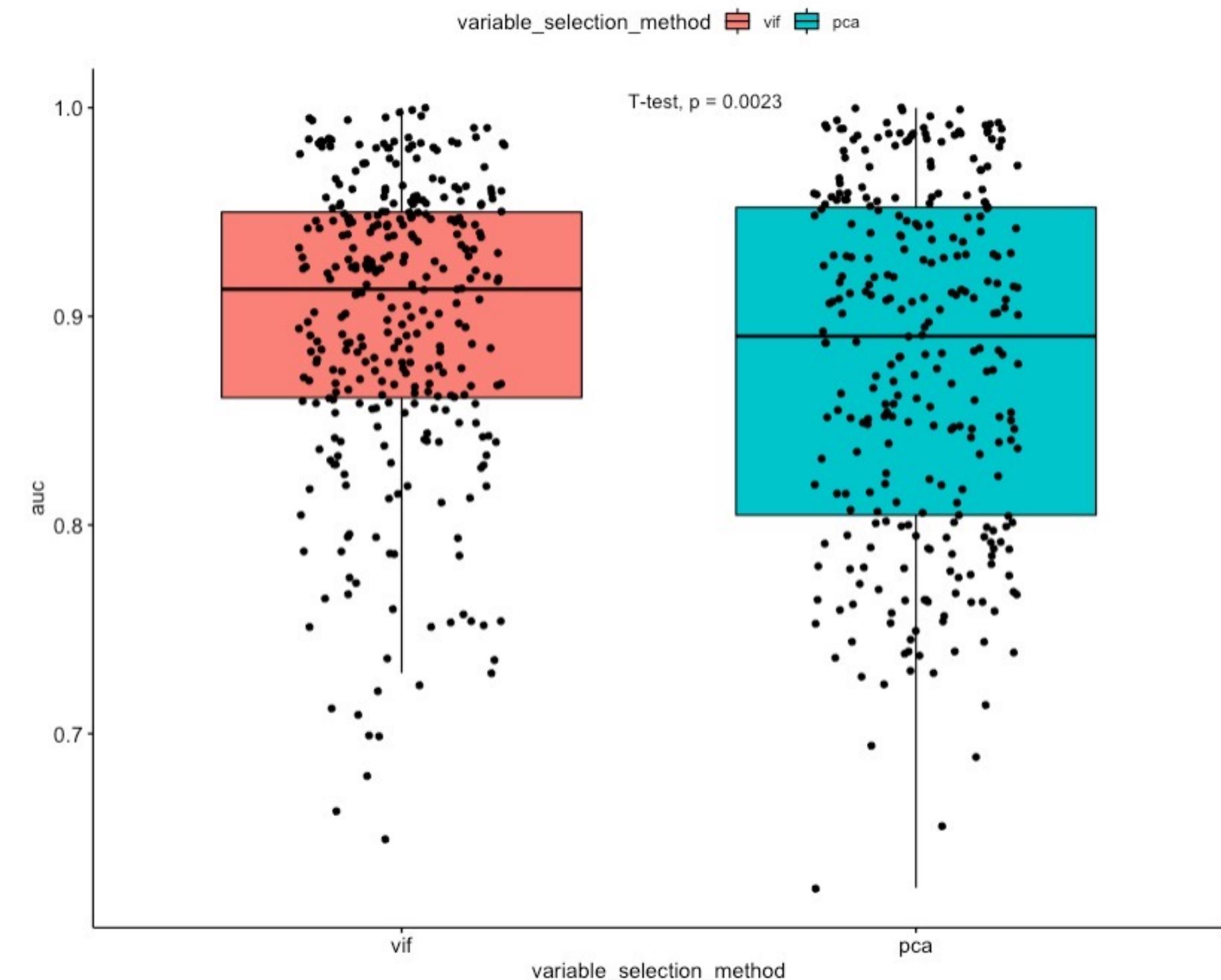


- A correlation test is performed on all 19 BioClim layers.
- Removes variables  $> |0.80|$

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#### PCA vs VIF with permutation

- AUC was significantly higher in models generated using the VIF method
- Based on 109 species in the subfamily Crotalinae (Viperidae)
- PCA with 75% collinearity cutoff, each variable contribution had to be >5%.
- VIF < 10, permutation importance > 1%



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#### Demo:

##### 1. Pearson Correlation

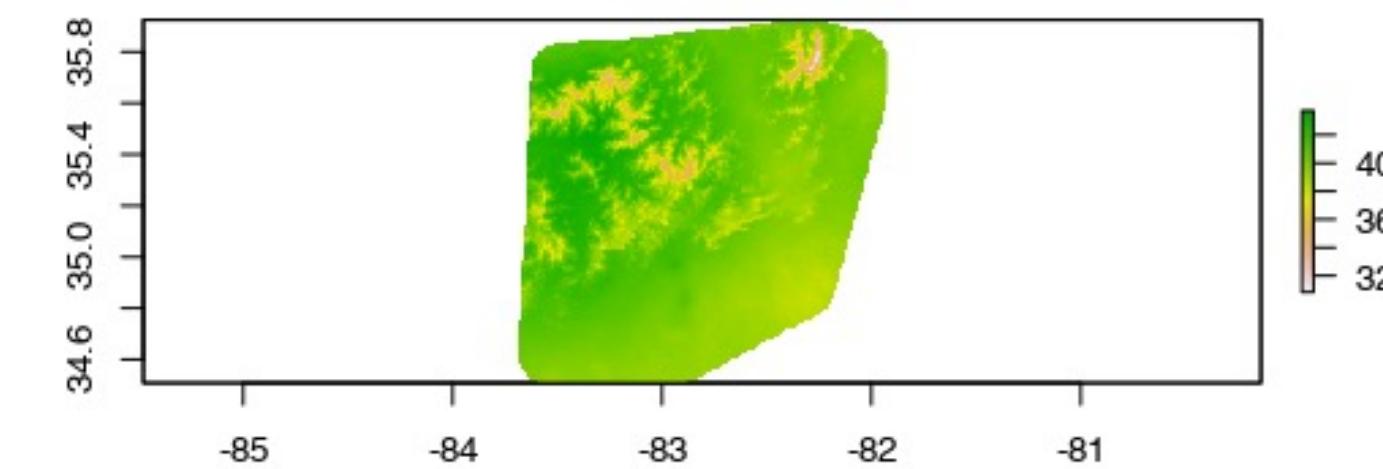
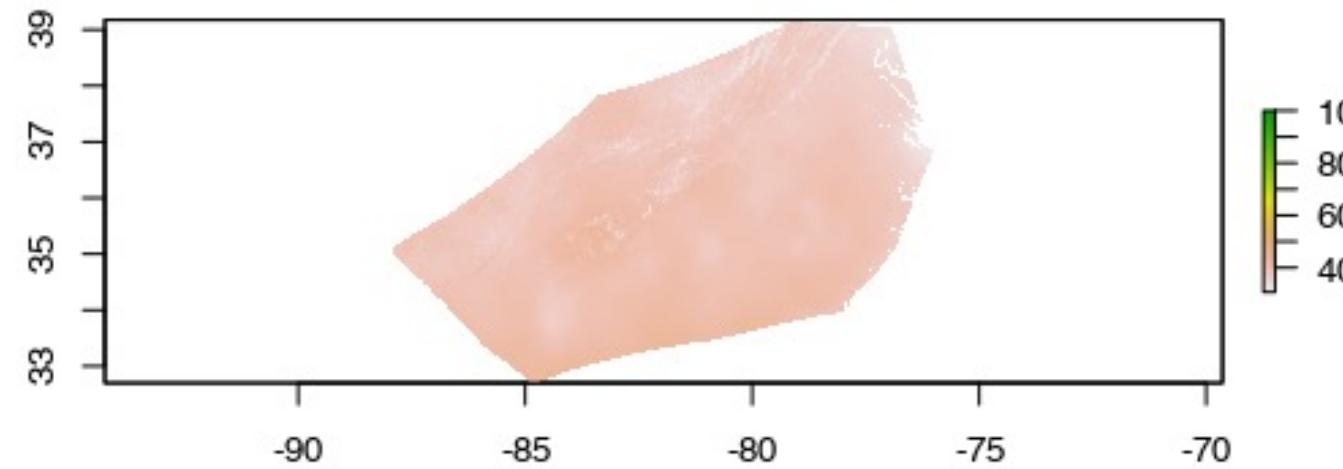
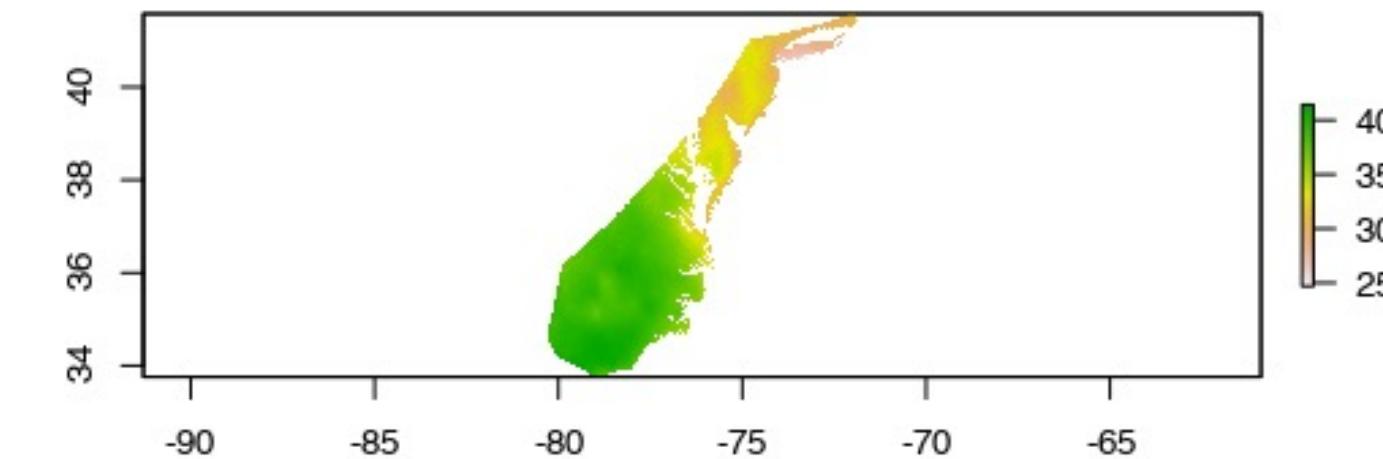
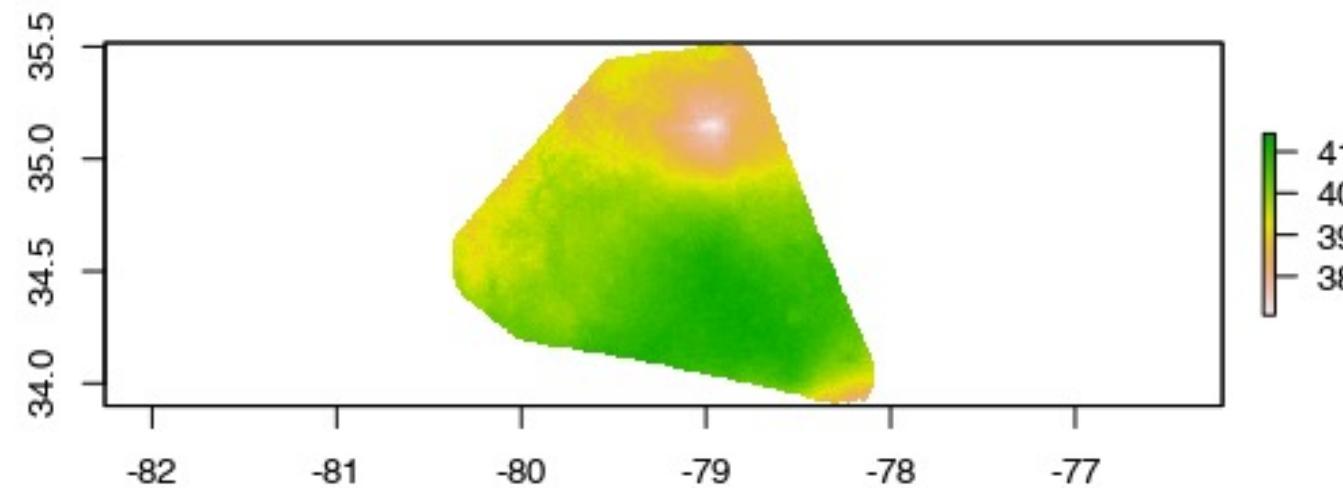
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##### 2. VIF and permutation importance

- Run MaxEnt and identify the permutation importance to remove any variables with 0% permutation importance.
- Then calculated VIF, remove the variable with the highest VIF and lowest permutation importance. Repeat until all VIF values are less than 10.

## 4. Create species-specific training layers

- Crop and buffer selected layers for each species!



# Layer Processing

- Need layers in ASCII format
- Clip layers to fit your desired range
  - Convex hull + Buffer
- Remove correlated layers based on a Pearson Correlation.



# Layer Processing

- For an intro to QGIS:
  - Github: [RhettRautsaw/GIS\\_Tutorial](#)

## CLIMATE LAYER PROCESSING

QGIS provides a much better understanding of the processes happening with this step, but the R script streamlines a largely repetitive process. We will demo both options.

### (A) Manual – QGIS - Optional

This activity was made by Rhett Rautsaw. Files for this activity can be found in “*Demo/Manual/Climate\_Layer\_Processing/*” folder.

\*\*QGIS version has to be 3.16; if not, this will not work\*\*

QGIS (version: 3.16)

1. Open QGIS.
2. Drag the layers (.tif files) found in the “*data/climate\_processing/bioclim/*” folder into QGIS. They should automatically appear. The box on the left lists the different layers not the layer is displayed.
3. Add occurrence records from text-delimited file (Layer Menu > Add Layer > Add Delimited Text Layer...). Navigate to “*data/cleaning\_demo/maxent\_ready/diapensiaceae\_maxentready\_20210625.csv*”. X field is “longitude” and Y field is “latitude”. Make sure the CRS is

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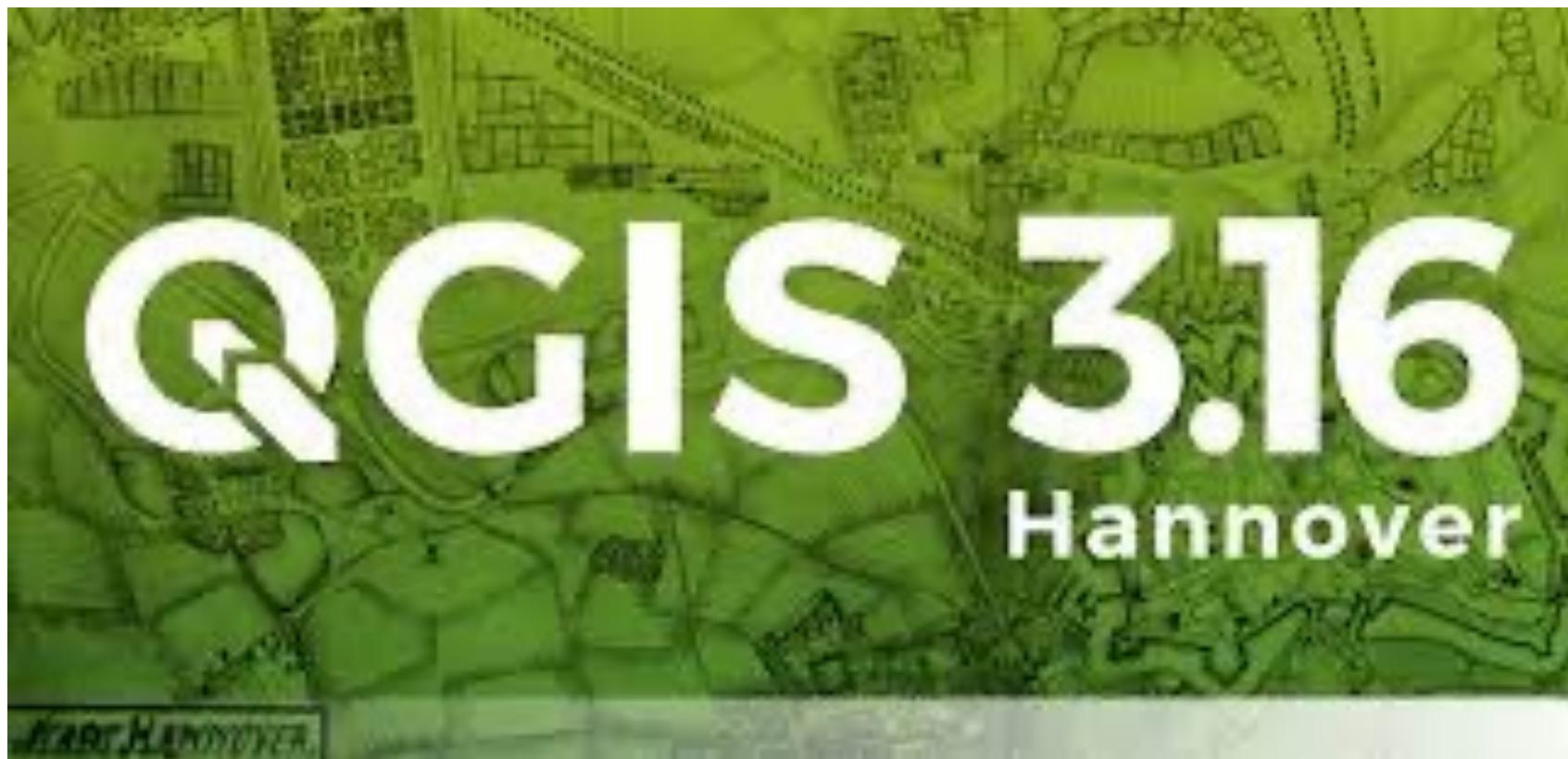
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