

# Manitoba Crop Clustering

The Dangers of under-rotation and clustering  
2004-2023

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# Problem Identification

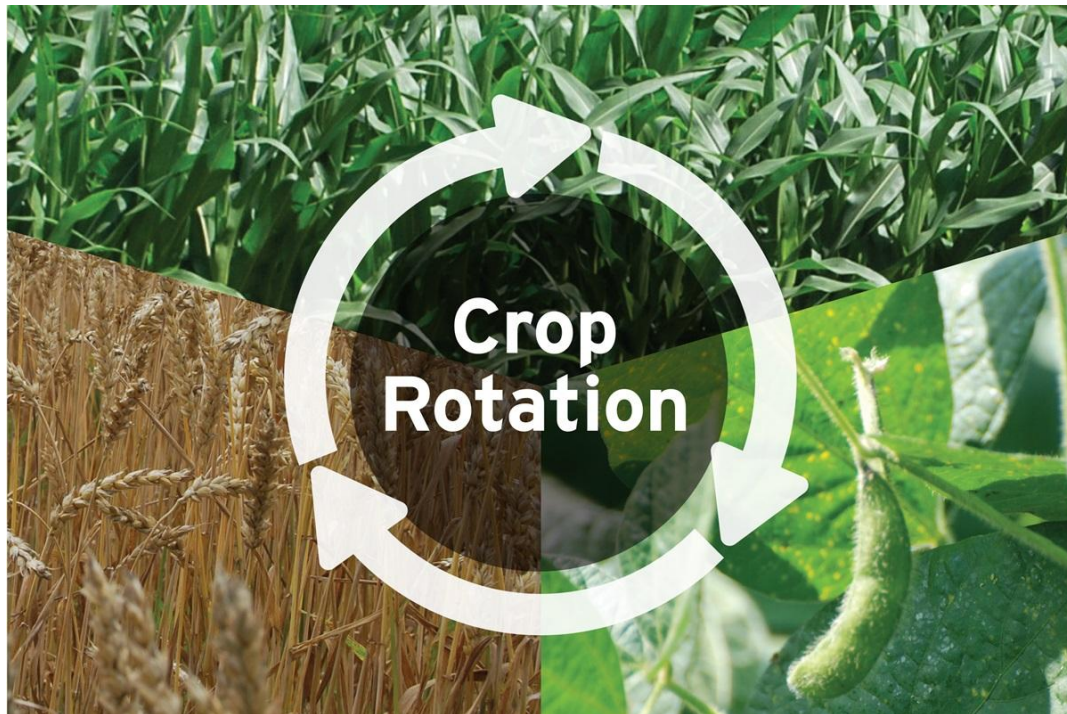


Discover trends in given data:

Huge Datasets.

Data Consistency.

Accurate Predictions.





# Target Audience



"Crop rotation helps return nutrients to the soil without synthetic inputs, interrupting pest, weed and disease cycles, improving soil health" - Rodale Institute

- Crop Insurance Companies
- Grain Buyers
- Individual Farmers



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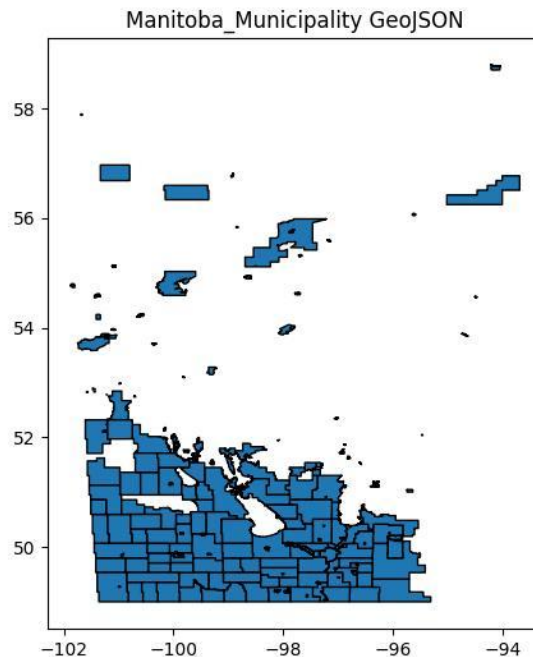
# Method

- Python / Jupyter notebook
- Pandas
- GeoDataframe.
- Group by Municipality
- Group by Crop Type
- Group by Year

Produces geographical crop heatmap image

Images saved to heatmap video.

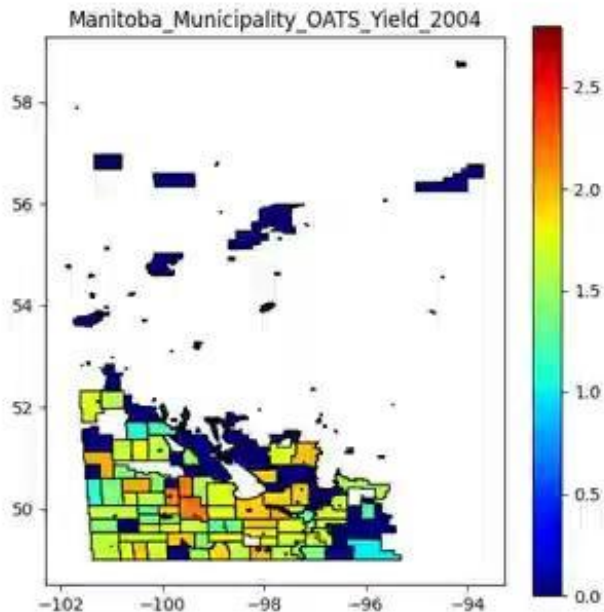
Hotspots located, and final graph created.





# Results

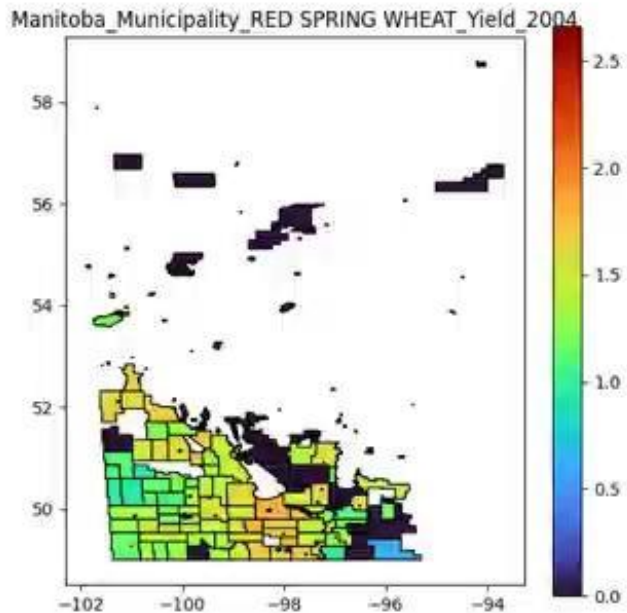
Manitoba Oats Heat Map 2004-2023





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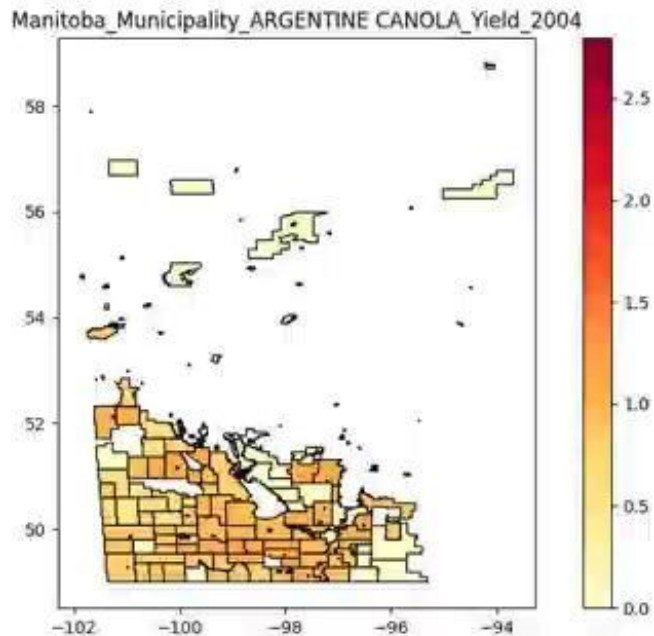
Manitoba Spring Wheat Heat Map 2004-2023





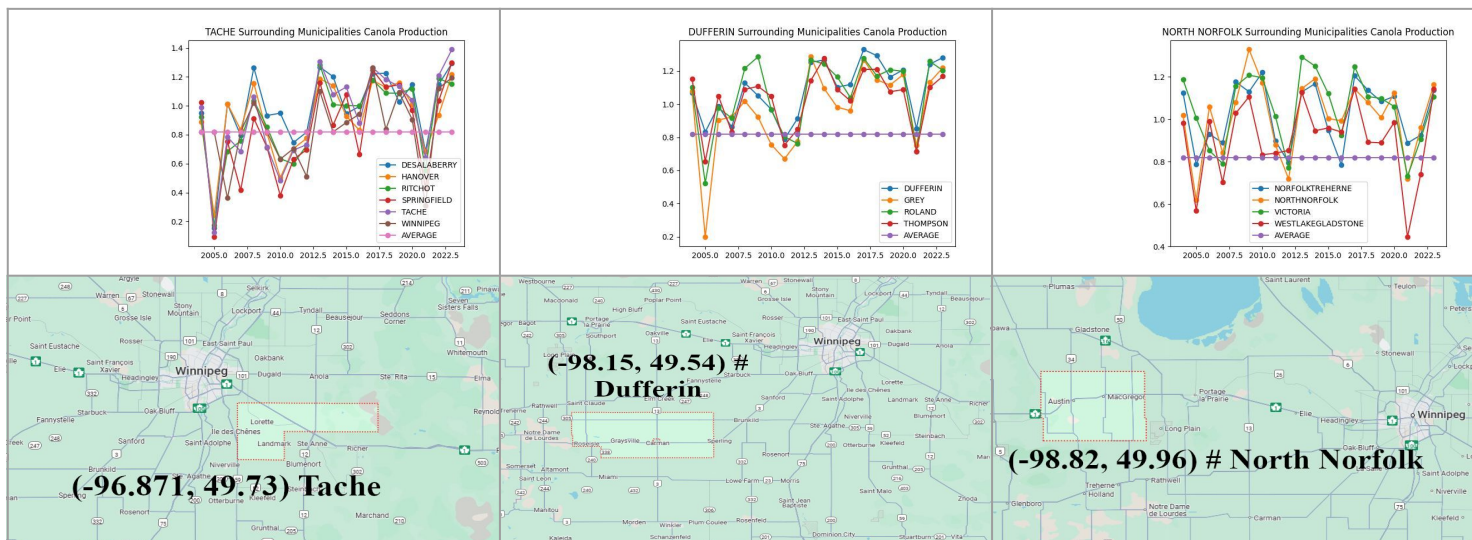
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Manitoba Canola Heat Map 2004-2023





# Conclusion



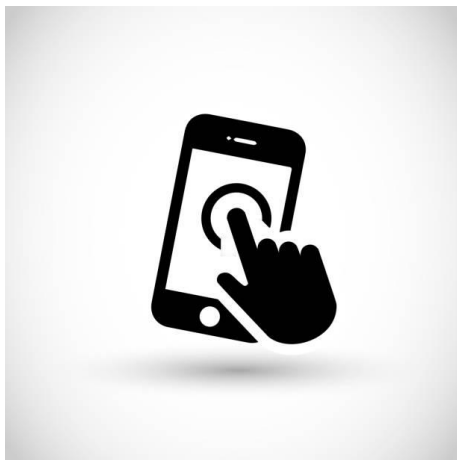




## Next Steps



- Make into an app, click on municipality, show second graph
- Dynamically load data
- Machine learning predict next years' yield





# Appendix



Crop Rotation:

<https://rodaleinstitute.org/why-organic/organic-farming-practices/crop-rotations/#:~:text=Crop%20rotation%20helps%20return%20nutrients.increase%20biodiversity%20on%20the%20farm.>

Cluster Farming Study:

<https://cabiagbio.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s43170-024-00220-7>

Field seeding

<https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/3decfc22-edbc-4c04-8cd4-39240500eaf2/resource/148f9e8a-40c9-4b6d-9136-405f460e8135/download/2008-519-28.pdf>