



# Analyzing space-time satellite data with **GRASS GIS** for environmental monitoring

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GRASS

**GRASS GIS** is the first FOSS GIS that incorporated capabilities to manage, analyze, process and visualize spatio-temporal data, as well as the temporal relationships among time series.



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# Space-time datasets

- Space time raster datasets (**STRDS**)
- Space time 3D raster datasets (**STR3DS**)
- Space time vector datasets (**STVDS**)

 Support for **image collections** is on the way!



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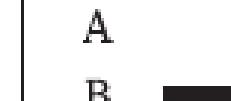
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- **Granularity** is the greatest common divisor of the temporal extents (and possible gaps) of all maps in the space-time cube

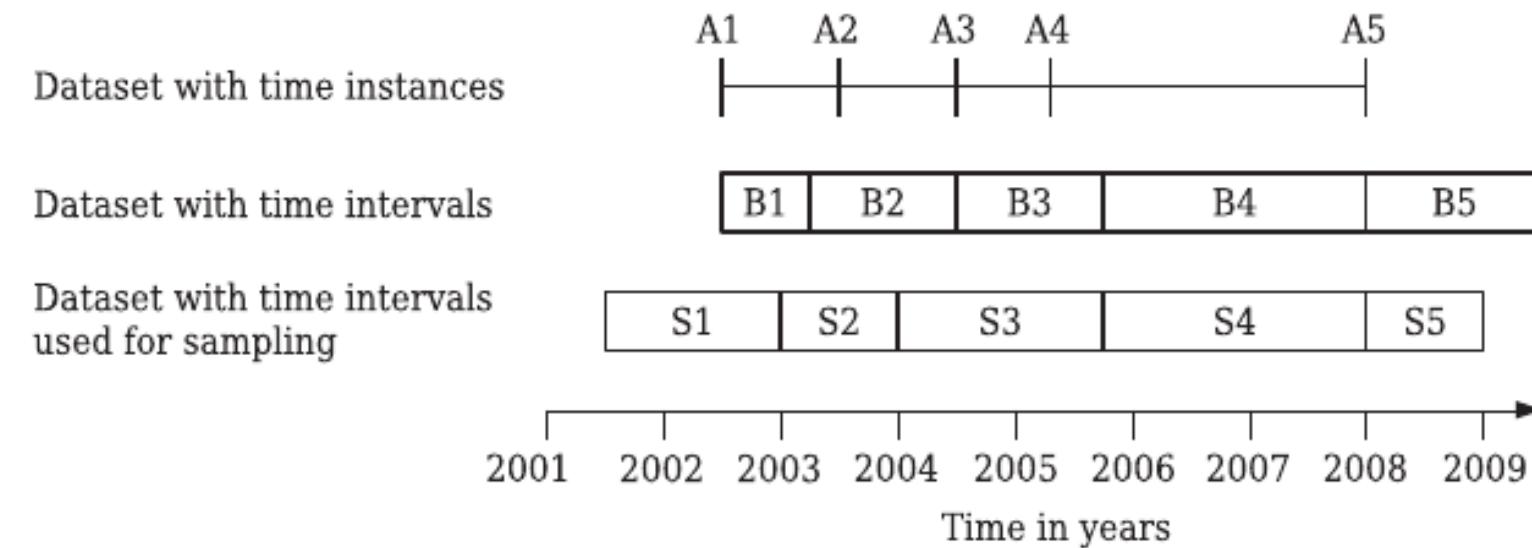
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- **Topology** refers to temporal relations between time intervals in a STDS.

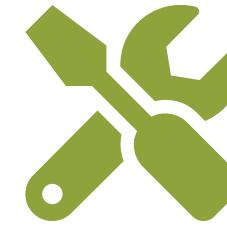
	A in relation to B	B in relation to A
	equivalent	equivalent
	overlap	overlap
	during	contain
		
	follows	precedes

# Other TGRASS notions

- **Temporal sampling** is used to determine the state of one process during a second process.



Sampling time instances		Sampling time intervals					
	start		start	during	contain	overlap	equal
S1	A1	S1	B1	—	—	B1	—
S2	A2	S2	B2	—	—	B1,B2	—
S3	A3,A4	S3	B3	B3	—	B2	—
S4	—	S4	B4	—	—	—	B4
S5	A5	S5	B5	—	B5	—	—

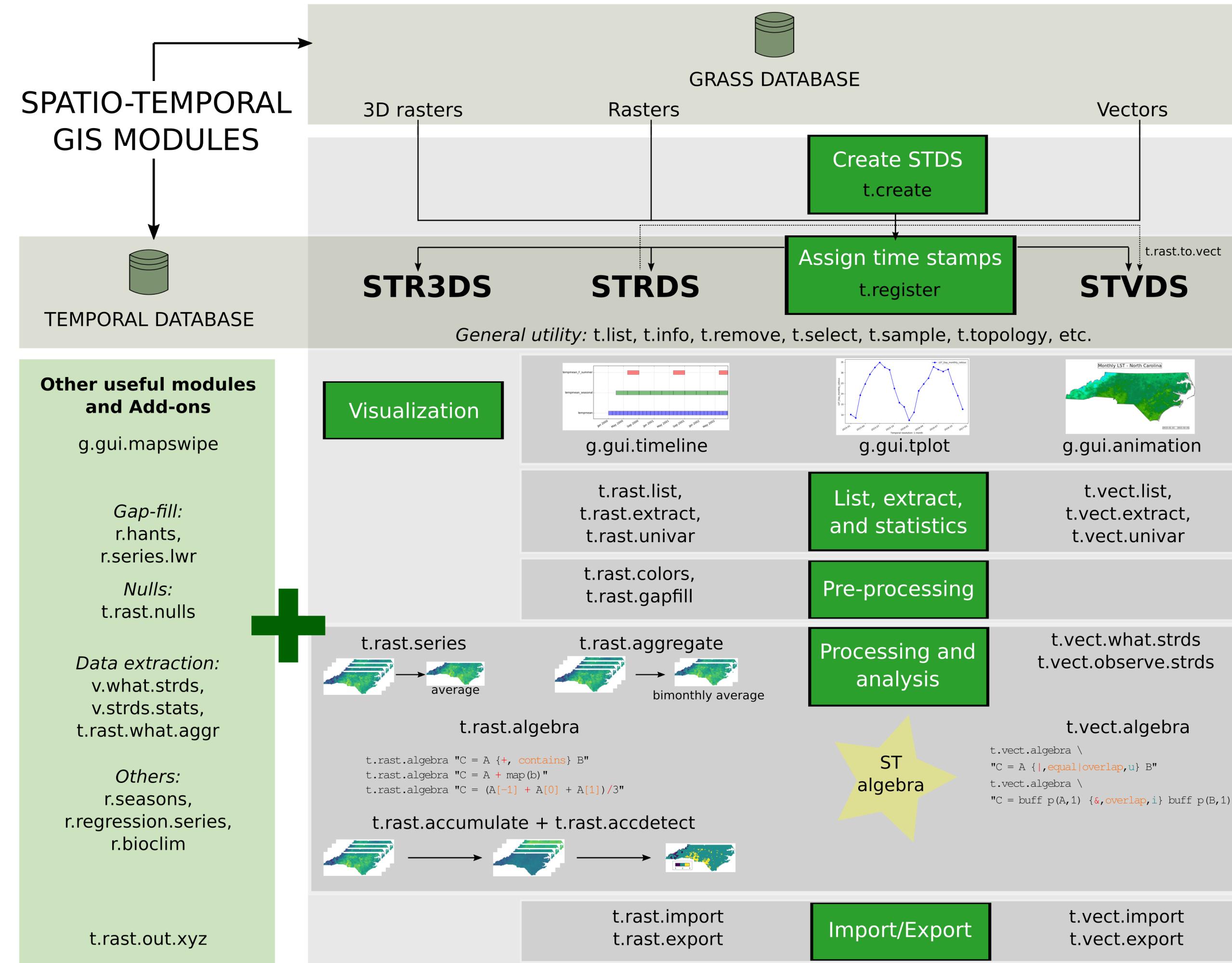


# Spatio-temporal modules

- **t.\***: General modules to handle STDS of all types
- **t.rast.\***: Modules that deal with STRDS
- **t.rast3d.\***: Modules that deal with STR3DS
- **t.vect.\***: Modules that deal with STVDS

# TGRASS framework and workflow





# Hands-on to NDVI time series for environmental monitoring





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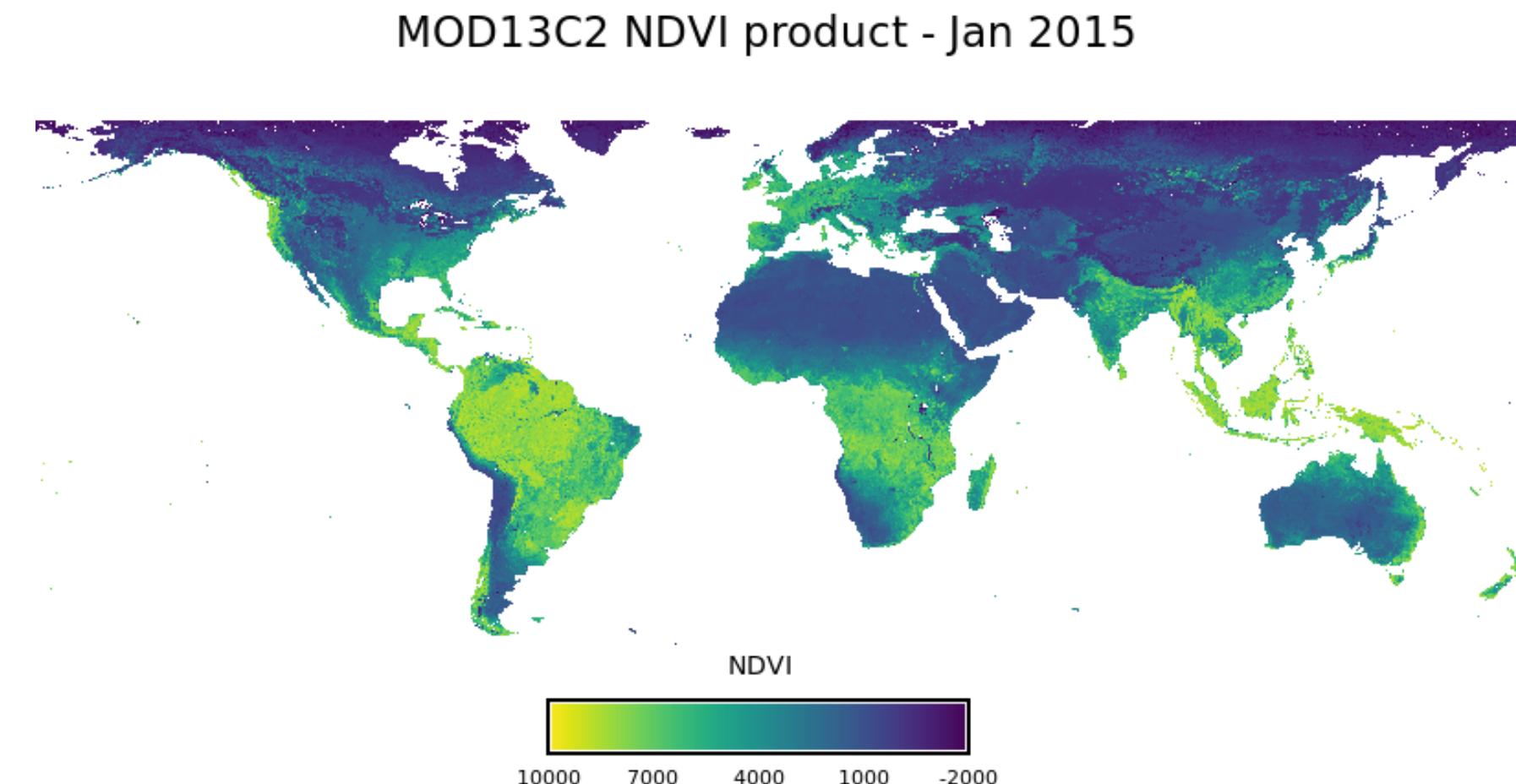


# Sample location: North Carolina

- Download the **North Carolina location**
- Create a folder in your \$HOME directory (or Documents) and name it `grassdata`
- Unzip the file `nc_basic_ogh_2019.zip` within `grassdata`
- Download the **GRASS script** to follow the session

# Data for the session

- MODIS Vegetation product: MOD13C2 Collection 6
- Global monthly composites
- Spatial resolution: 5600m





Let's start GRASS GIS!



# Get familiar with NDVI data

```
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```

# Get familiar with NDVI data

```
## END OF DO NOT RUN ##

#
# Get familiar with NDVI data
#
#
# Download ready to use mapset and unzip in NC location
#
# List maps and get basic info and stats
g.list type=raster mapset=.
r.info map=MOD13C2.A2015001.006.single_CMG_0.05_Deg_Monthly_NDVI
r.univar map=MOD13C2.A2015001.006.single_CMG_0.05_Deg_Monthly_NDVI

# Set computational region
g.region -p vector=nc_state \
align=MOD13C2.A2015001.006.single_CMG_0.05_Deg_Monthly_NDVI

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# Set mask
r.mask vector=nc_state
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#  
# Use of reliability band  
#  
#
```



## ☰ Task:

- *Display EVI, NIR and QA maps and get information about minimum and maximum values*
- *What do you notice about the values?*

# Use of reliability band

## ☰ Task:

- *Read about this reliability band at the MOD13 User guide (pag 27)*
- *Display one of the pixel reliability bands along with NDVI band of the same date*
- *Select only pixels with value 0 (Good quality) in the pixel reliability band. What do you notice?*

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# Use of reliability band

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# Set mask
r.mask vector=nc_state

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# 

# *nix: Keep only NDVI most reliable pixels (one map)
PR=MOD13C2.A2015274.006.single_CMG_0.05_Deg_Monthly_pixel_reliability
NDVI=MOD13C2.A2015274.006.single_CMG_0.05_Deg_Monthly_NDVI

r.mapcalc \
  expression="${NDVI}_filt = if(${PR} != 0, null(), ${NDVI})"

# Windows: Keep only NDVI most reliable pixels (one map)
SET PR=MOD13C2.A2015274.006.single_CMG_0.05_Deg_Monthly_pixel_reliability
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r.mapcalc \
  expression="%NDVI%_filt = if(%PR% != 0, null(), %NDVI%)"

# For all NDVI maps (Windows users run bash.exe and once done, exit)

# List of maps
PR=$(g.list type=raster pattern="*_pixel_reliability" separator=" ")
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# List of maps
PR=$(g.list type=raster pattern="*_pixel_reliability" separator=" ")
NDVI=$(g.list type=raster pattern="*_Monthly_NDVI" separator=" ")

# Convert list to array
PR=($PR)
NDVI=($NDVI)

# Iterate over the 2 arrays
for ((i=0;i<${#PR[@]};i++)) ; do
    echo ${PR[$i]} ${NDVI[$i]};
    r.mapcalc \
        expression="${NDVI[$i]}_filt = if(${PR[$i]} != 0, null(), ${NDVI[$i]})"
```

☰ **Task:** Compare stats among original and filtered NDVI maps for the same date using [\*r.univar\*](#). Do stats differ?

To decode QA bits from the QA band there's a specific GRASS GIS module: [\*i.modis.qc\*](#)

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echo ${PR[$1]} ${NDVI[$1]};  
r.mapcalc \  
    expression="${NDVI[$i]}_filt = if(${PR[$i]} != 0, null(), ${NDVI[$i]})"  
done  
  
#  
# Create NDVI time series  
#  
  
# Create STRDS  
t.create output=ndvi_monthly \  
    type=strds temporaltype=absolute \  
    title="Filtered monthly NDVI" \  
    description="Filtered monthly NDVI - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"  
  
# Check if it was created  
t.list type=strds  
  
# List NDVI filtered files  
t.list type=raster
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t.list type=strds  
  
# List NDVI filtered files  
g.list type=raster pattern="*filt" output=ndvi_list.txt  
  
# Register maps  
t.register -i input=ndvi_monthly \  
    ...
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t.list type=strds

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g.list type=raster pattern="*filt" output=ndvi_list.txt

# Register maps
t.register -i input=ndvi_monthly \
    type=raster file=ndvi_list.txt \
    start="2015-01-01" increment="1 months"
```

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# Print time series info
t.info input=ndvi_monthly
```

Output: GRASS GIS 7.4.0 (x86\_64)

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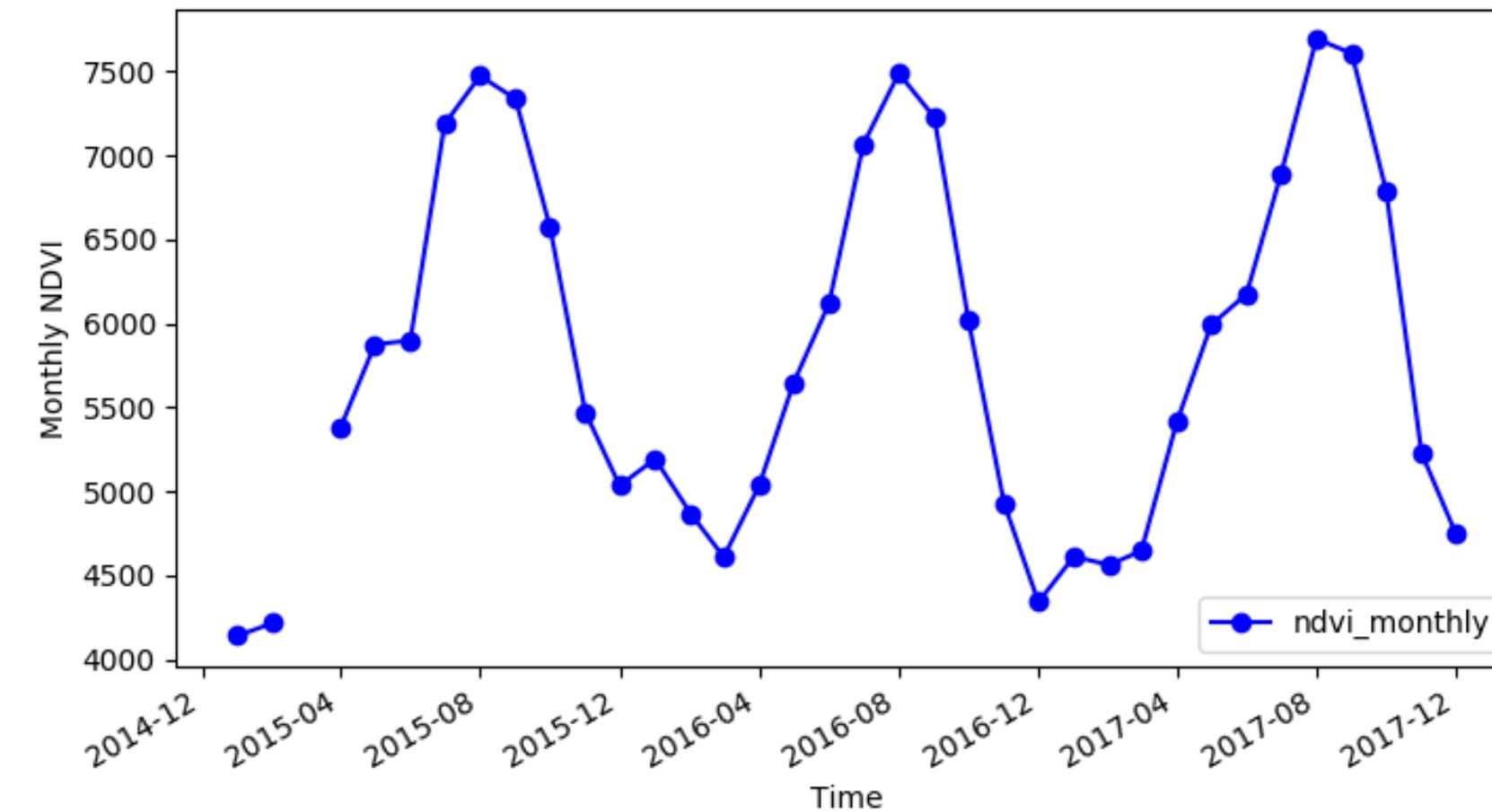
# Print time series info
t.info input=ndvi_monthly

# Print list of maps in time series
t.rast.list input=ndvi_monthly
```

# Create time series

```
c.list type=stras  
  
# List NDVI filtered files  
g.list type=raster pattern="*filt" output=ndvi_list.txt  
  
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☰ Task: Visually explore the values of the time series in different points. Use `g.gui.tplot` and select different points interactively.



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# How much missing data we have after filtering for pixel reliability?  
t.rast.univar input=ndvi_monthly  
  
# Count valid data  
t.rast.series input=ndvi_monthly \  
    method=count \  
    output=ndvi_count_valid
```

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# Get total number of maps
eval $(t.info -g type=strds input=ndvi_monthly)
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echo $number_of_maps  
  
# Estimate percentage of missing data  
r.mapcalc \  
    expression="ndvi_missing = \  
        ($number_of_maps - ndvi_count_valid) * 100.0 / $number_of_maps"
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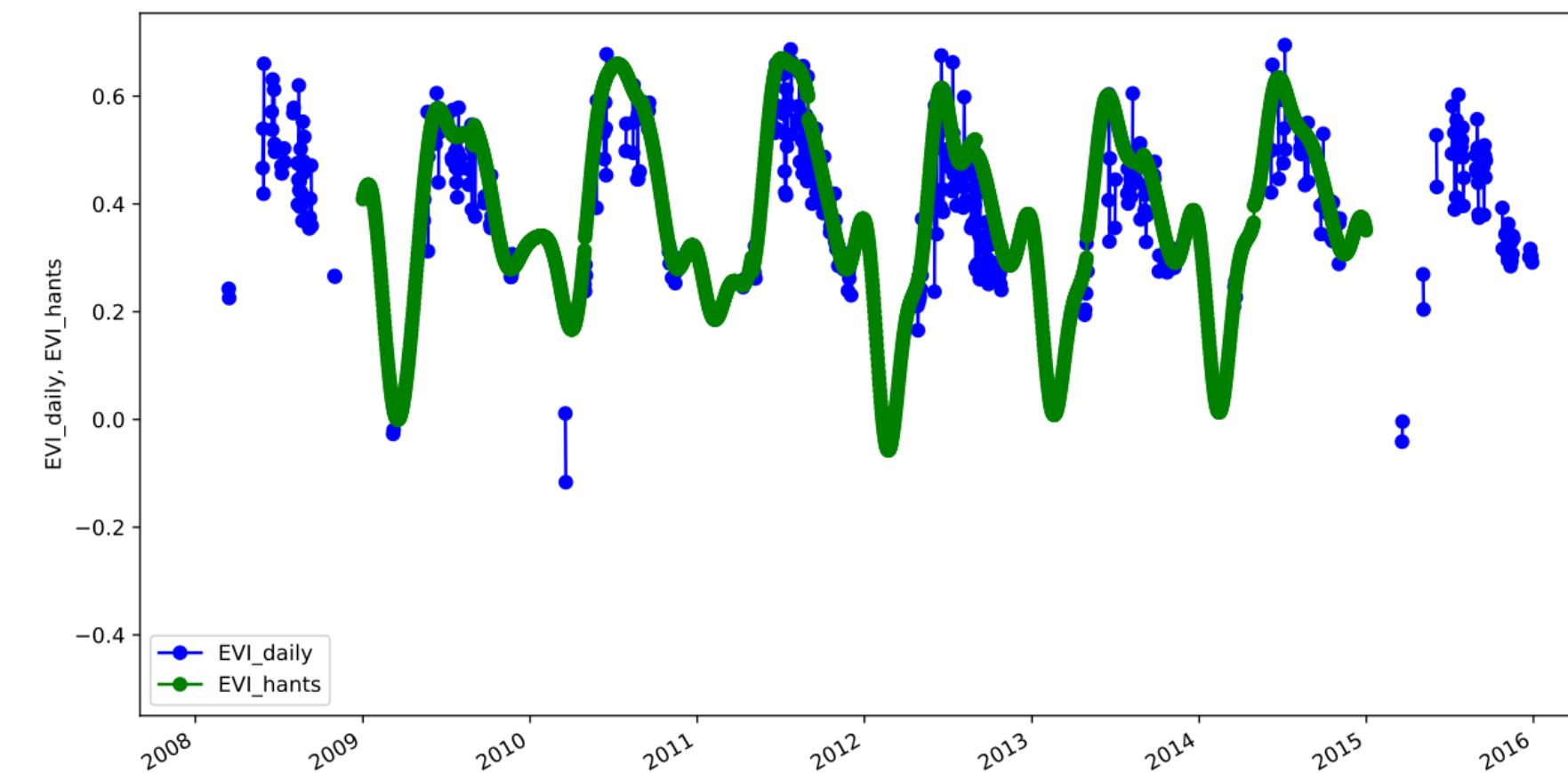
## ☰ Task:

- *Display the map representing the percentage of missing data and explore values*
- *Get univariate statistics of this map*

💡 Hint: `r.univar`

# Temporal gap-filling

- Harmonic Analysis of Time Series (HANTS).
- Implemented in `r.hants` add-on



See Roerink et al. 2000 for more details

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echo $number_of_maps

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# install extension
g.extension extension=r.hants

# *nix
# List maps
maplist=$(t.rast.list input=ndvi_monthly method=comma)
```

# Temporal gap-filling: HANTS

```
expression=ndvi_missing`  
((\$number_of_maps - ndvi_count_valid) * 100.0)/\$number_of_maps"  
  
#  
# Temporal gap-filling: HANTS  
#  
#  
# install extension  
g.extension extension=r.hants  
  
# *nix  
# List maps  
maplist=$(t.rast.list input=ndvi_monthly method=comma)  
  
# gapfill: r.hants  
r.hants in=$maplist range=-2000,10000 nf=5 fet=500 base_period=12  
  
# Windows  
# list maps
```

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g.extension extension=r.hants

# *nix
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maplist=$(t.rast.list input=ndvi_monthly method=comma)

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# list maps
FOR /F %c IN ('t.rast.list "-u" "input=ndvi_monthly" "method=comma"') DO SET maplist=%maplist% %c

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# Get list of maps
ORIG=$(g.list type=raster pattern="*_filt" separator=" ")
FILL=$(g.list type=raster pattern="*_hants" separator=" ")

# Convert list to array
ORIG=($ORIG)
FILL=($FILL)

# Iterate over the 2 arrays
for ((i=0;i<${#ORIG[@]};i++)); do
echo ${ORIG[$i]} ${FILL[$i]}:
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# Iterate over the 2 arrays
for ((i=0;i<${#ORIG[@]};i++)) ; do
    echo ${ORIG[$i]} ${FILL[$i]};
    r.patch input=${ORIG[$i]},${FILL[$i]} output=${FILL[$i]}_patch --o
done

# Create new time series

t.create output=ndvi_monthly_patch \
type=strds temporaltype=absolute \
title="Patched monthly NDVI" \
description="Filtered, gap-filled and patched monthly NDVI - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"

# List NDVI patched files
g.list type=raster pattern="*_patch"
```

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    start="2015-01-01" increment="1 months"
```

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g.list type=raster pattern="*patch" \
    output=list_ndvi_patched.txt

# Register maps
t.register -i input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
    type=raster file=list_ndvi_patched.txt \
    start="2015-01-01" increment="1 months"

# Print time series info
t.info input=ndvi_monthly_patch

#
# Obtain phenological information
```

## ☰ Task:

- *Graphically assess the results of HANTS reconstruction in pixels with higher percentage of missing data*
- *Obtain univariate statistics for the new time series*



Hints: `g.gui.tplot` and `t.rast.univar`

# Phenology

- The study of periodic plant and animal life cycle events and how these are influenced by seasonal and interannual variations in climate
- We will estimate indices to characterize different aspects of phenology:
  - min and max NDVI values
  - dates of min and max NDVI values
  - rate of change
  - length, start and end of growing season

# Phenological indices

```
#!/bin/bash
#####
# Commands for NDVI time series exercise
# Author: Veronica Andreo
# Date: October, 2018. Edits: December 2018, April 2019
#####

#
# Data download and preparation
#



### DO NOT RUN ###

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#~ # add modis_lst to path
#~ g.mapsets -p
#~ g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add
```

# Phenological indices

```
# type raster rtree circ_navi_patched.exe \
# start="2015-01-01" increment="1 months"

# Print time series info
t.info input=ndvi_monthly_patch

#
# Obtain phenological information
#
# Get NDVI maximum and minimum
t.rast.series input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
method=maximum \
output=ndvi_max

t.rast.series input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
method=minimum \
output=ndvi_min
```

# Phenological indices

```
# Obtain phenological information
#
# Get NDVI maximum and minimum
t.rast.series input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
    method=maximum \
    output=ndvi_max

t.rast.series input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
    method=minimum \
    output=ndvi_min

# Get month of maximum
t.rast.mapcalc -n inputs=ndvi_monthly_patch \
    output=month_max_ndvi \
    expression="if(ndvi_monthly_patch == ndvi_max, start_month(), null())" \
    basename=month_max_ndvi

# Get the earliest month in which the maximum appeared
```

# Phenological indices

```
t.rast.series input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
  method=maximum \
  output=ndvi_max

t.rast.series input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
  method=minimum \
  output=ndvi_min

# Get month of maximum

t.rast.mapcalc -n inputs=ndvi_monthly_patch \
  output=month_max_ndvi \
  expression="if(ndvi_monthly_patch == ndvi_max, start_month(), null())" \
  basename=month_max_ndvi

# Get the earliest month in which the maximum appeared
t.rast.series input=month_max_ndvi \
  method=minimum \
  output=max_ndvi_date

# Get NDVI minimum per year starting in December
```

# Phenological indices

```
# Get month of maximum

t.rast.mapcalc -n inputs=ndvi_monthly_patch \
    output=month_max_ndvi \
    expression="if(ndvi_monthly_patch == ndvi_max, start_month(), null())" \
    basename=month_max_ndvi

# Get the earliest month in which the maximum appeared
t.rast.series input=month_max_ndvi \
    method=minimum \
    output=max_ndvi_date

# Get NDVI minimum per year starting in December
t.rast.aggregate input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
    where="start_time >= '2015-12-01' AND start_time <= '2017-11-30'" \
    method=min_raster \
    granularity="12 months" \
    output=annual_index_min_ndvi \
    basename=index_ndvi_min \
    suffix=gran
```

# Phenological indices

```
# Get the earliest month in which the maximum appeared
t.rast.series input=month_max_ndvi \
  method=minimum \
  output=max_ndvi_date

# Get NDVI minimum per year starting in December
t.rast.aggregate input=ndvi_monthly_patch \
  where="start_time >= '2015-12-01' AND start_time <= '2017-11-30'" \
  method=min_raster \
  granularity="12 months" \
  output=annual_index_min_ndvi \
  basename=index_ndvi_min \
  suffix=gran

# Get index of minimum raster
t.rast.series input=annual_index_min_ndvi \
  method=minimum \
  output=min_ndvi_index

# Index to month reclass rules
r.reclass
```

# Phenological indices

```
granularity="12 months" \
output=annual_index_min_ndvi \
basename=index_ndvi_min \
suffix=gran

# Get index of minimum raster
t.rast.series input=annual_index_min_ndvi \
method=minimum \
output=min_ndvi_index

# Index to month reclass rules
echo "0 = 12
1 = 1
2 = 2
3 = 3
4 = 4
5 = 5
6 = 6
7 = 7
8 = 8"
```

# Phenological indices

```
# Index to month reclass rules
echo "0 = 12
1 = 1
2 = 2
3 = 3
4 = 4
5 = 5
6 = 6
7 = 7
8 = 8
9 = 9
10 = 10
11 = 11" >> index2month.txt

# Reclass index to month
r.reclass input=min_ndvi_index output=min_ndvi_date \
rules=index2month.txt

# Remove intermediate strds
```

# Phenological indices

```
1 = 1
2 = 2
3 = 3
4 = 4
5 = 5
6 = 6
7 = 7

8 = 8
9 = 9
10 = 10
11 = 11" >> index2month.txt

# Reclass index to month
r.reclass input=min_ndvi_index output=min_ndvi_date \
    rules=index2month.txt

# Remove intermediate strds
t.remove -rf inputs=month_max_ndvi,annual_index_min_ndvi

# Add `modis_lst` to accessible mapsets path
~mapsets>
```



GRASS

☰ Task: Display *max\_ndvi\_date* and *min\_ndvi\_date* maps from the terminal using wx monitors

💡 Hints: d.mon and d.rast

☰ **Task:** Associate *max and min LST with max and min NDVI, and max and min LST dates with max and min NDVI dates.*



Hints: `g.mapssets` and `r.covar`

# Phenological indices

```
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#~ g.mapsets -p
#~ g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add
```

# Phenological indices

```
5 = 5
6 = 6
7 = 7
8 = 8
9 = 9
10 = 10
11 = 11" >> index2month.txt

# Reclass index to month
r.reclass input=min_ndvi_index output=min_ndvi_date \
    rules=index2month.txt

# Remove intermediate strds
t.remove -rf inputs=month_max_ndvi,annual_index_min_ndvi

# Add `modis_lst` to accessible mapsets path
g.mapsets -p
g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add

# Estimate global correlations
t.cover -c mapset=ST_Day,max,LST_Day,min_ndvi,max_ndvi,min
```

# Phenological indices

```
8 = 8
9 = 9
10 = 10
11 = 11" >> index2month.txt

# Reclass index to month
r.reclass input=min_ndvi_index output=min_ndvi_date \
    rules=index2month.txt

# Remove intermediate strds
t.remove -rf inputs=month_max_ndvi,annual_index_min_ndvi

# Add `modis_lst` to accessible mapsets path
g.mapsets -p
g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add

# Estimate global correlations
r.covar -r map=LST_Day_max,LST_Day_min,ndvi_max,ndvi_min
r.covar -r map=max_lst_date,min_lst_date,max_ndvi_date,min_ndvi_date

# Time series of slopes
```

# Phenological indices

```
# Reclass index to month
r.reclass input=min_ndvi_index output=min_ndvi_date \
    rules=index2month.txt

# Remove intermediate strds
t.remove -rf inputs=month_max_ndvi,annual_index_min_ndvi

# Add `modis_lst` to accessible mapsets path
g.mapsets -p
g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add

# Estimate global correlations
r.covar -r map=LST_Day_max,LST_Day_min,ndvi_max,ndvi_min
r.covar -r map=max_lst_date,min_lst_date,max_ndvi_date,min_ndvi_date

# Time series of slopes
t.rast.algebra \
    expression="slope_ndvi = (ndvi_monthly_patch[1] - ndvi_monthly_patch[0]) / td(ndv
    basename=slope_ndvi \
    suffix=gran
```

# Phenological indices

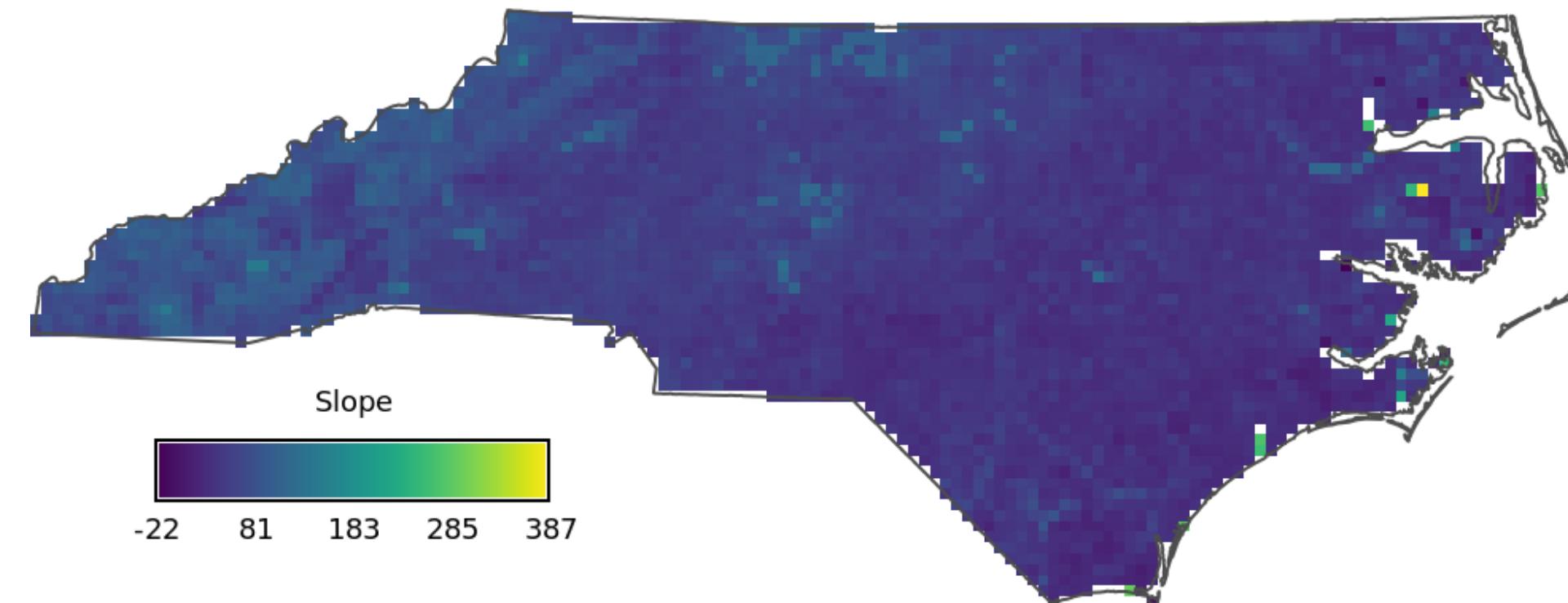
```
# Add `modis_lst` to accessible mapsets path
g.mapsets -p
g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add

# Estimate global correlations
r.covar -r map=LST_Day_max,LST_Day_min,ndvi_max,ndvi_min
r.covar -r map=max_lst_date,min_lst_date,max_ndvi_date,min_ndvi_date

# Time series of slopes
t.rast.algebra \
    expression="slope_ndvi = (ndvi_monthly_patch[1] - ndvi_monthly_patch[0]) / td(ndv
    basename=slope_ndvi \
    suffix=gran

# Get max slope per year
t.rast.aggregate input=slope_ndvi \
    output=ndvi_slope_yearly \
    basename=NDVI_max_slope_year \
    suffix=gran \
    method=maximum \
    granularity="1 years"
```

☰ Task: Obtain a map with the highest growing rate per pixel in the period 2015-2017 and display it from the terminal



💡 Hint: `t.rast.series`

# Phenological indices

```
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```

# Phenological indices

```
r.covar -r map=max_lst_date,min_lst_date,max_ndvi_date,min_ndvi_date

# Time series of slopes
t.rast.algebra \
    expression="slope_ndvi = (ndvi_monthly_patch[1] - ndvi_monthly_patch[0]) / td(ndv
basename=slope_ndvi \
suffix=gran

# Get max slope per year
t.rast.aggregate input=slope_ndvi \
    output=ndvi_slope_yearly \
    basename=NDVI_max_slope_year \
    suffix=gran \
    method=maximum \
    granularity="1 years"

# Install extension
g.extension extension=r.seasons

# *nix: Start, end and length of growing season
#       start date, end date, length of growing season
#       1980-01-01, 1980-07-01, 180
```

# Phenological indices

```
basename=slope_ndvi \
suffix=gran

# Get max slope per year
t.rast.aggregate input=slope_ndvi \
    output=ndvi_slope_yearly \
    basename=NDVI_max_slope_year \
    suffix=gran \
    method=maximum \
    granularity="1 years"

# Install extension
g.extension extension=r.seasons

# *nix: Start, end and length of growing season
r.seasons input=$(t.rast.list -u input=ndvi_monthly_patch method=comma) \
    prefix=ndvi_season \
    n=3 \
    nout=ndvi_season \
    threshold_value=3000 \
    min_length=5 \
```

# Phenological indices

```
suffix=gran \
method=maximum \
granularity="1 years"

# Install extension
g.extension extension=r.seasons

# *nix: Start, end and length of growing season
r.seasons input=$(t.rast.list -u input=ndvi_monthly_patch method=comma) \
prefix=ndvi_season \
n=3 \
nout=ndvi_season \
threshold_value=3000 \
min_length=5 \
max_gap=4

# Windows: Start, end and length of growing season
FOR /F %c IN ('t.rast.list "-u" "input=ndvi_monthly_patch" "separator=," "method=co
r.seasons input=%ndvi_list% prefix=ndvi_season n=3 nout=ndvi_season threshold_value
```



**☰ Task:** *Display some of the resulting maps. What do they represent?*



Check `r.seasons` manual page

# Phenological indices

```
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#~ g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add
```

# Phenological indices

```
r.install extension  
g.extension extension=r.seasons  
  
# *nix: Start, end and length of growing season  
r.seasons input=$(t.rast.list -u input=ndvi_monthly_patch method=comma) \  
prefix=ndvi_season \  
n=3 \  
nout=ndvi_season \  
threshold_value=3000 \  
min_length=5 \  
max_gap=4  
  
# Windows: Start, end and length of growing season  
FOR /F %c IN ('t.rast.list "-u" "input=ndvi_monthly_patch" "separator=," "method=co  
r.seasons input=%ndvi_list% prefix=ndvi_season n=3 nout=ndvi_season threshold_value  
  
# Create a threshold map: min ndvi + 0.1*ndvi  
r.mapcalc expression="threshold_ndvi = ndvi_min*1.1"  
  
r.seasons input=$(t.rast.list -u input=ndvi_monthly_patch method=comma) \  
prefix=ndvi_season n=3 nout=ndvi_season threshold_value=3000 min_length=5 max_gap=4
```

# Phenological indices

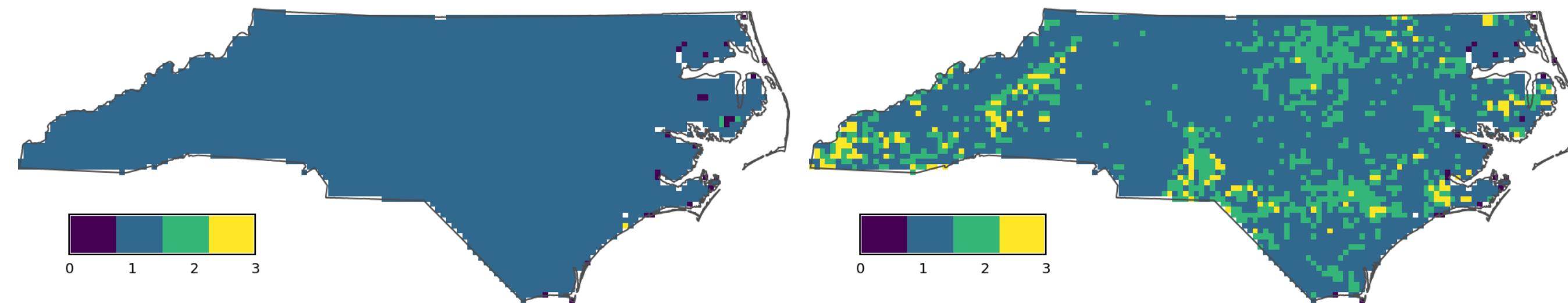
```
prefix=ndvi_season \
n=3 \
nout=ndvi_season \
threshold_value=3000 \
min_length=5 \
max_gap=4

# Windows: Start, end and length of growing season
FOR /F %c IN ('t.rast.list "-u" "input=ndvi_monthly_patch" "separator=," "method=comma") DO r.seasons input=%ndvi_list% prefix=ndvi_season n=3 nout=ndvi_season threshold_value=3000 min_length=5 max_gap=4

# Create a threshold map: min ndvi + 0.1*ndvi
r.mapcalc expression="threshold_ndvi = ndvi_min*1.1"

r.seasons input=$(t.rast.list -u input=ndvi_monthly_patch method=comma) \
prefix=ndvi_season_thres \
n=3 \
nout=ndvi_season_thres \
threshold_map=threshold_ndvi \
min_length=5 \
max_gap=4
```

☰ Task: Use the threshold map in `r.seasons` and compare output maps with the outputs of using a unique threshold value



Number of seasons with fixed threshold and using a varying threshold map

# Water index time series

```
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#



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#~ # add modis_lst to path
#~ g.mapsets -p
#~ g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add
```

# Water index time series

```
preTx=ndvi_season_thres \
n=3 \
nout=ndvi_season_thres \
threshold_map=threshold_ndvi \
min_length=5 \
max_gap=4

#
# Estimate NDWI
#
# Create time series of NIR and MIR
t.create output=NIR \
    type=strds temporaltype=absolute \
    title="NIR monthly" \
    description="NIR monthly - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"

t.create output=MIR \
    type=strds temporaltype=absolute \
```

# Water index time series

```
#  
# Estimate NDWI  
  
# Create time series of NIR and MIR  
t.create output=NIR \  
    type=strds temporaltype=absolute \  
    title="NIR monthly" \  
    description="NIR monthly - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"  
  
t.create output=MIR \  
    type=strds temporaltype=absolute \  
    title="MIR monthly" \  
    description="MIR monthly - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"  
  
# List NIR and MIR files  
g.list type=raster pattern="*NIR*" output=list_nir.txt  
g.list type=raster pattern="*MIR*" output=list_mir.txt
```

# Water index time series

```
t.create output=NIR \
    type=strds temporaltype=absolute \
    title="NIR monthly" \
    description="NIR monthly - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"

t.create output=MIR \
    type=strds temporaltype=absolute \
    title="MIR monthly" \
    description="MIR monthly - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"

# List NIR and MIR files
g.list type=raster pattern="*NIR*" output=list_nir.txt
g.list type=raster pattern="*MIR*" output=list_mir.txt

# Register maps
t.register -i input=NIR \
    type=raster file=list_nir.txt \
    start="2015-01-01" \
    increment="1 months"

t.register -i input=MIR \
```

# Water index time series

```
create MIR monthly \
description="MIR monthly - MOD13C2 - 2015-2017"

# List NIR and MIR files
g.list type=raster pattern="*NIR*" output=list_nir.txt
g.list type=raster pattern="*MIR*" output=list_mir.txt

# Register maps
t.register -i input=NIR \
    type=raster file=list_nir.txt \
    start="2015-01-01" \
    increment="1 months"

t.register -i input=MIR \
    type=raster file=list_mir.txt \
    start="2015-01-01" \
    increment="1 months"

# Print time series info
t.info input=NIR
t.info input=MIR
```

# Water index time series

```
g.list type=raster pattern="*MIR*" output=list_mir.txt

# Register maps
t.register -i input=NIR \
    type=raster file=list_nir.txt \
    start="2015-01-01" \
    increment="1 months"

t.register -i input=MIR \
    type=raster file=list_mir.txt \
    start="2015-01-01" \
    increment="1 months"

# Print time series info
t.info input=NIR
t.info input=MIR

# Estimate NDWI time series

t.rast.algebra basename=ndwi_monthly suffix=gran \
    expression="ndwi_monthly = if(NIR > 0 && MIR > 0, \
        (NIR - MIR) / (NIR + MIR), null())"
```



☰ **Task:** Get maximum and minimum values for each NDWI map and explore the time series plot in different points interactively



Hints: `t.rast.list` and `g.gui.tplot`

# Regression analysis

```
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#~ # add modis_lst to path
#~ g.mapsets -p
#~ g.mapsets mapset=modis_lst operation=add
```

# Regression analysis

```
t.info input=NIR  
t.info input=MIR  
  
# Estimate NDWI time series  
  
t.rast.algebra basename=ndwi_monthly suffix=gran \  
    expression="ndwi_monthly = if(NIR > 0 && MIR > 0, \  
        (float(NIR - MIR) / float(NIR + MIR)), null())"  
  
# List maps in NDWI time series  
t.rast.list ndwi_monthly \  
    columns=name,start_time,end_time,min,max  
  
#  
# Regression between NDWI and NDVI  
#  
#  
  
# Install extension  
g.extension extension=r.regression.series
```

# Regression analysis

```
t.rast.algebra basename=ndwi_monthly suffix=gran \
expression="ndwi_monthly = if(NIR > 0 && MIR > 0, \
(float(NIR - MIR) / float(NIR + MIR)), null())"

# List maps in NDWI time series
t.rast.list ndwi_monthly \
columns=name,start_time,end_time,min,max

#
# Regression between NDWI and NDVI
# 

# Install extension
g.extension extension=r.regression.series

# Rescale NDVI values
t.rast.algebra \
expression="ndvi_monthly_rescaled = ndvi_monthly_patch * 0.0001" \
basename=ndvi_rescaled \
```

# Regression analysis

```
columns=name,start_time,end_time,min,max

#
# Regression between NDWI and NDVI
#
# Install extension
g.extension extension=r.regression.series

# Rescale NDVI values
t.rast.algebra \
  expression="ndvi_monthly_rescaled = ndvi_monthly_patch * 0.0001" \
  basename=ndvi_rescaled \
  suffix=gran

# *nix
xseries=$(t.rast.list input=ndvi_monthly_rescaled method=comma)
yseries=$(t.rast.list input=ndwi monthly method=comma)
```

# Regression analysis

```
#  
# Regression between NDWI and NDVI  
  
#  
  
# Install extension  
g.extension extension=r.regression.series  
  
# Rescale NDVI values  
t.rast.algebra \  
    expression="ndvi_monthly_rescaled = ndvi_monthly_patch * 0.0001" \  
    basename=ndvi_rescaled \  
    suffix=gran  
  
# *nix  
xseries=$(t.rast.list input=ndvi_monthly_rescaled method=comma)  
yseries=$(t.rast.list input=ndwi_monthly method=comma)  
  
r.regression.series xseries=$xseries yseries=$yseries \  
    
```

☰ Task: *Where is the highest correlation among NDVI and NDWI?*

# QUESTIONS?



# Other (very) useful resources

- Temporal data processing wiki
- GRASS GIS and R for time series processing wiki
- GRASS GIS temporal workshop at NCSU
- GRASS GIS workshop held in Jena 2018
- GRASS GIS course IRSAE 2018
- GRASS GIS course in Argentina 2018

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