

GE2215 Lecture 10 Spatial Analysis - Raster Data Analysis

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Recap: Buffering analysis

- Features for buffering
 - Points
 - Lines
 - Polygons
- The buffer zones are saved to a new layer
- Parameters of buffering
 - Buffer size



Circular buffer zones

Elongated buffer zones

Buffer zones that extend outward from the polygon boundaries



Recap: Variations in buffering

- Variation 1: Varying buffer sizes
- Variation 2: Multiple buffer zones
- Variation 3: Buffer on one side or both sides
- Variation 4: Dissolves buffer zones or not











Recap: Overlay analysis

- In GIS, an overlay is the process of taking two or more different maps of the same area and placing them on top of one another to form a new map
- Overlay as editing tool vs analytical tool
 - Overlay as an editing tool works only with feature geometries
 - Overlay as an analytical tool works with both geometries and attributes
- Overlay vs buffering
 - Overlay works on multiple feature layers
 - Buffering works on a single feature layer





Recap: Overlay types

- Point-in-polygon overlay
- Line-in-polygon overlay
- Polygon-on-polygon overlay



Recap: Overlay operations

- Union
- Intersection
- Symmetrical difference
- Clip
- Erase
- Identity
- Split

Features to be overlaid must be spatially registered and based on the same coordinate system

Recap: Distance measurement

- **Distance Measurement** refers to measuring straight line distances between features
 - Points in a layer to points in another layer
 - Points in a layer to its nearest point in another layer
- **Distance measures** can be used directly for data analysis
- Distance measures can also be used as inputs to data analysis
 - Pattern analysis: analyzing the patterns (random or dispersed or clustered) of distributions of points



Recap: Other feature manipulations

- Single layer analysis
 - Dissolve
 - -Select
 - Eliminate



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Data analysis environment

- Data analysis environment is defined by two parameters: output cell size and area extent
- An area extent can be a rectangle defined by minimum and maximum x, y coordinates





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Data analysis environment

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- An area extent can also have irregular shape defined by a mask, which can be set by:
 - A feature layer

Input

• A raster





Data analysis environment

73 m² 1 m cell 16 x 16 cells T m cell 8 x 8 cells T m cell 4 m cell 4 x 4 cells T m cell 4 m ce

- Output cell size
 - Theoretically, the output cell size can be set at any scale
 - Typically, the output cell size is set to be equal to, or larger than, the largest cell size among the input raster layers
 - The resolution of the output should correspond to that of the lowest-resolution input raster
 - For example, if there are two input raster layers, one with 1 m cell size, and the other one with 4 m cell size, the output cell size should be 4 m or larger



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- Local operations are cell-by-cell operations
- Local operations can be operated on single or multiple rasters
 - When used on a single raster, a local operation usually takes the form of applying some mathematical transformation to each individual cell
 - When used on multiple rasters, mathematical operations are performed on cells at the same locations of different rasters

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VALUE=NODATA

Convert a float raster to an integer raster

Slope in percentage

16.0

18.5

19.6

20.2

Slope in degree

A local raster can convert a slope raster from percent to degrees Slides for education purpose only

• Data type conversion

0.8

2.9

1.5

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	0	1	1	18.0	19.1

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(B) Slope Percentage = $\frac{y}{x}$	× 100
(C) Slope Angle (α) = tan ⁻¹	$\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$

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10.81

10.48

11.09

11.42

8.64

10.09

10.20

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4.4

4.6

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-1.9

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-0.5

1.7



Local operations: Single Layer



Local operations: Single Layer

- Reclassification
 - Reclassification creates a new raster by classification
 - One-to-one change



Input Land Use Map

Output Raster



Local operations: Single Layer

- Reclassification
 - Reclassification creates a new raster by classification
 - Assigns a new value to a range of cell values



Input Map with population density



Output Raster



Local operations: Multiple layers

- Local operations with multiple rasters are the equivalent to vector-based overlay operations
- Local operations with **multiple rasters** include:
 - 1. Mathematical operations: +, -, \times , \div
 - 2. Summary statistics: maximum, minimum, range, sum, mean, median, and standard deviation, which apply to numeric data only
 - 3. Tabulation of measures: majority, minority, combine and number of unique values, which apply to both numeric and categorical data



Local operations: Multiple layers

• Mathematical operations



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Local operations: Multiple layers

• Summary statistics



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The cell value in (d) is the mean calculated from three input rasters (a, b, and c) in a local operation. The shaded cells have no data.



The cell value in (d) is the max value calculated from three input rasters (a, b,and c) in a local operation. The shaded cells have no data.



Local operations: Multiple layers

• Tabulation of measures



The cell value in (d) is the majority statistic derived from three input rasters (a, b, and c) in a local operation. The shaded cells have no data. Combination assigns a unique output value to each unique combinations of input values

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(a)

Each cell value in (c) represents a unique combination of cell values in (a) and (b). The combination codes and their representations are shown in (d).



- A focal operation, also called a neighbourhood operation, involves a focal cell and a set of its surrounding cells.
- Focal functions produce an output raster dataset in which output value at each location is a function of the input value at a cell location and the values of the cell in a specified neighbourhood around the location
- How is a neighbourhood defined?





Neighborhood shapes

• Neighborhoods can be defined by rectangle, circle, annulus, and wedge shape





- Focal operations are usually performed on a single layer
- The output from a focal operation can show:
 - Summary statistics: maximum, minimum, range, sum, mean, median, and standard deviation
 - Tabulation of measures: majority and minority
- The above statistics and measures are similar with those from local operations with multiple layers
- Instead of using cell values from multiple input rasters, a focal operation uses the cell values from a defined neighborhood



• Summary statistics





Sum operation

The cell values in (*b*) are the neighborhood sums of the shaded cells in (*a*) using a 3-by-3 neighborhood.





(b)

Mean operation

The cell values in (b) are the neighborhood means of the shaded cells in (a) using a 3by-3 neighborhood.



- Range statistics
 - The range measures the difference between the maximum and minimum cell

values within the defined neighborhood



• Range statistics

	200	200	110	210	210
	200	200	110	210	210
(a)	150	150	100	170	170
	140	140	130	160	160
	140	140	130	160	160

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(b)

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- A high value indicates the existence of an edge (e.g., boundary between grass land and water body) within the neighborhood
- Therefore, range statistic is often used for edge enhancement, which is a typical image processing method

The cell values in (b) are the neighborhood range statistics of the shaded cells in (a) using a 3-by-3 neighborhood.



• Range statistics

	200	200	110	210	210
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(a)	150	150	100	170	170
	140	140	130	160	160
	140	140	130	160	160

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(b)

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- How to deal with cells on the margin?
 - Abandon cells on the margin

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• Only use cell values available in the neighborhood

The cell values in (*b*) are the neighborhood range statistics of the shaded cells in (*a*) using a 3-by-3 neighborhood.



- Tabulation of measures
 - The opposite of edge enhancement
 - is a smoothing operation based on
 - the majority measure
 - Smoothing operation is often used to reduce noise within an image

	1	2	2	2	2
	1	2	2	2	3
(a)	1	2	1	3	3
	2	2	2	3	3
	2	2	2	2	3
		2	2	2	



(b)

The cell values in (b) are the neighborhood majority statistics of the shaded cells in (a) using a 3-by-3 neighborhood.



Applications of focal operations

- Data simplification
 - For example, the moving average method reduces the level of cell value fluctuation in the input layer
- Image processing
 - Edge enhancement, smoothing operation
- Terrain analysis
 - The slope, aspect and surface curvature of a cell are derived using elevations from its adjacent neighbors
- Site selection
 - Focal operation has the ability to summarize statistics within an area



• A zonal operation works with groups of cells of same values or like features.

These groups are called zones

- Zones may be contiguous or non-contiguous
- Zonal functions are similar to focal functions except that the definition of the neighborhood in a zonal function is the configuration of zones



Pixels do not need to connect to each

other (can be in different locations, but



- A zonal operation may work with a single raster or two rasters
 - Given a single input raster, zonal operations measure the geometry of each zone in the raster, such as area, perimeter, thickness, and centroid



- The area is the sum of the cells that fall within the zone times the cell size
- The perimeter of a contiguous zone is the length of its boundary, and the perimeter of a non-contiguous zone is the sum of the length of each part
- The thickness calculates the radius of the largest circle that can be drawn within each zone
- The centroid is the geometric center of a zone



- A zonal operation may work with a single raster or two rasters
 - Given two rasters in a zonal operation, one input raster and one zonal raster, a zonal operation produces an output raster, which summarizes the cell values in the input raster for each zone in the zonal raster





- A zonal operation may work with a single raster or two rasters
 - The summary statistics include area, minimum, maximum, sum, range, mean, standard deviation, median, majority, minority, and variety



The cell values in (c) are the zonal means derived from an input raster (a) and a zonal raster (b)



• Zonal majority



0	0	0	0
	0	2	2
3	0	0	2
3	0	0	0
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Value = NoData

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• Zonal minimum



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Global operations

- Global operations are similar to zonal operations whereby the entire raster dataset's extent represent a single zone
- Global operations apply a bulk change to all cells in a raster
- Global, or per-raster, operations compute an output raster dataset in which the output value at each cell location is potentially a function of all the cells combined from the various input raster datasets.



Global operations: Euclidean distance

• Euclidean distance is an example of a global operation. By calculating

the closest distance away from a source, it applies the function

globally in a raster



1.0	2	1.0	2.0
1.4	1.0	1.4	2.2
1.0	1.4	2.2	2.8
1	1.0	2.0	3.0

It calculates the distance from each cell to the closest source cell



Global operations: Allocation and Direction

- Allocation: The cell value in an allocation raster corresponds to the closest source cell for the cell
- Direction: The cell value in a direction raster corresponds to the direction in degrees that the cell is from the closest source cell

2	2	2	2
2	2	2	2
1	1	1	2
1	1	1	1

It shows the allocation of each cell to the closest source cell

90	2	270	270
45	360	315	287
180	225	243	315
1	270	270	270

It shows the direction in degrees from each cell to the closest source cell



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Other raster data operations

- Raster data clip
- Raster data combine
- Raster data extraction
- Raster data generalization



Raster data clip

- There are two methods to clip a raster
 - Specify an analysis mask (clip by mask)
 - Specify the minimum and maximum x-, y-coordinates (clip by rectangle)



(a) Input raster (b) An analysis mask (c) Clip-by-mask result (e) Clip-by-rectangle result



Raster data combine

- The process of combining multiple input rasters into a single raster is also called raster mosaic
- Raster mosaics require that the input rasters have overlaps (seamless combination)
- Different options are provided for filling in the cell values in the overlapping areas
 - Use the first or the second input raster's data
 - Use the blending of data from the input rasters





Raster data extraction

• Raster data extraction creates a new raster by extracting data from

an existing raster

- Extract by location
- Extract by attribute
- Extract by color
- Extract by other characteristics
 - Shape, texture, ...

210	190	170	155	140	135
204	183	165	145	125	120
200	175	160	122	110	100
208	187	165	150	126	120

DEM, cell with height > 150



How do we automatically extract building roof in the image?

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Extraction by location



Raster data generalization

- Raster data generalization is to simplify raster data
 - Resampling: filling each pixel of the new image with a value or derived value from the original image (the new image has a larger cell size)
 - 1. Nearest neighbor resampling
 - 2. Bilinear interpolation (distance-weighted) **Refer to Lecture 6**
 - 3. Cubic convolution (distance-weighted)



Raster data generalization

- Raster data generalization is to simplify raster data
 - Aggregate: calculating each output cell value as the mean, median, sum, minimum or maximum of the input cells



An Aggregate operation creates a lowerresolution raster (*b*) from the input (*a*). The operation uses the mean statistic and a factor of 2

The output cell size is the integral multiples of the input cell size



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- Man algebra basically involves doing math with
- Map algebra basically involves doing math with maps
- Map algebra only applies to rasters
- Map algebra can be local, focal, zonal and global



- QGIS provides the tool of map algebra under **Raster** Analysis
- ArcGIS provides the tool of map algebra under
 - **Spatial Analyst Tools**
 - Select your input raster data sets and operators

- Set your function
- Save as new raster layer

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Commonly used mathematical functions

- Arithmetic operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division)
- Statistical operations (minimum, maximum, average, median)
- Relational operations (greater than, smaller than, equal to)
- Trigonometric operations (sine, cosine, tangent, arcsine)
- Exponential and logarithmic operations (exponent, logarithm)



Example of map algebra



• Example 1:

ExtractByAttributes("slope_d", "Value < 20")

- "slope_d" is a slope raster measured in degree
- It means to extract from "slope_d" a raster that has slope values lower than 20°

Can be used for site selection, and reclassify the values (1 or 0) depending if slope value is lower or equal and more than 20, then use the data for analysis



Example of map algebra

• Example 2:





Input elevation raster

Output slope raster (in degrees)

ExtractByAttributes(Slope("emidalat", "DEGREE"), "Value < 20")

- "emidalat" is an elevation raster
- The above expression has two steps
 - It derives a slope raster measured in degree, from "emidalat"
 - It extracts from the derived raster a new raster that has slope values lower than 20°



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 - Area extent
 - Output cell size
- Raster analysis functions
 - Local operation: cell-by-cell operation
 - Focal operation: neighborhood operation
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THANK YOU