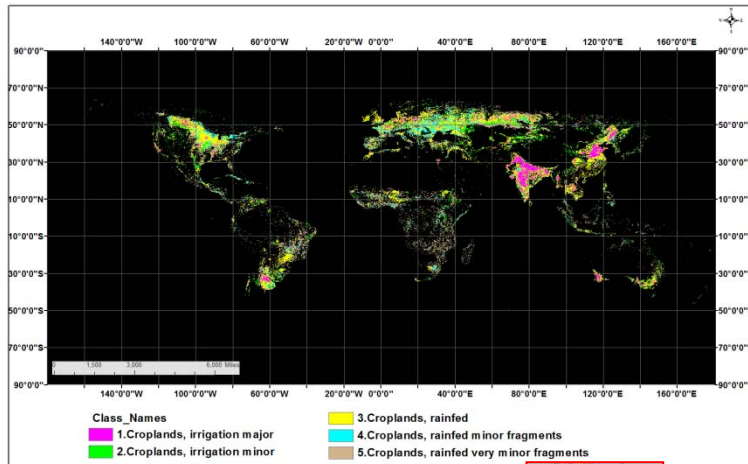
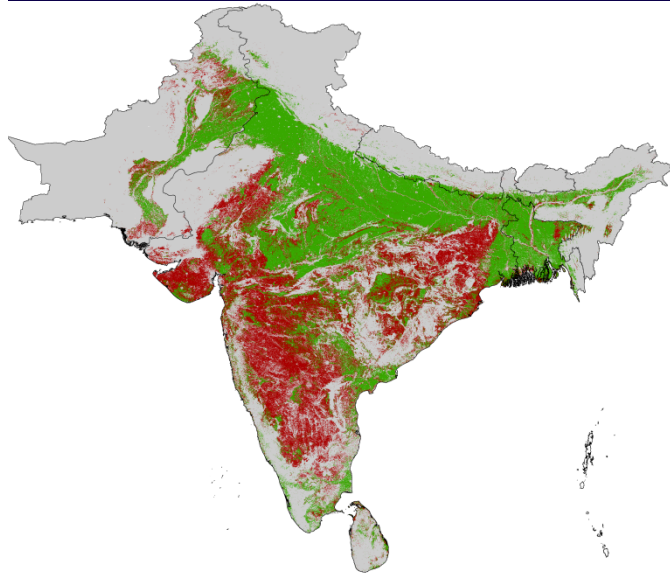


# Global Cropland Data Products for Ensuring Food Security

## Methods, Algorithms, and Products

### Based on Satellite Sensor Data @ 1 km, 250 m and 30 m



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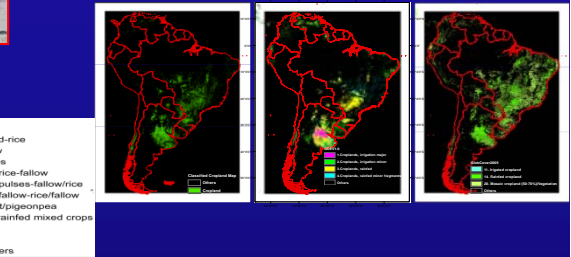
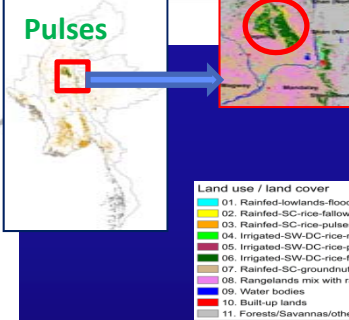
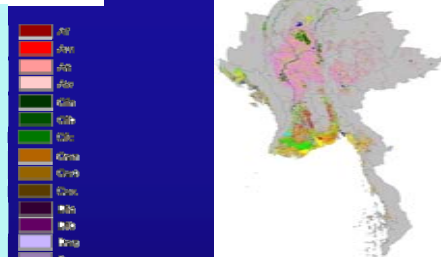
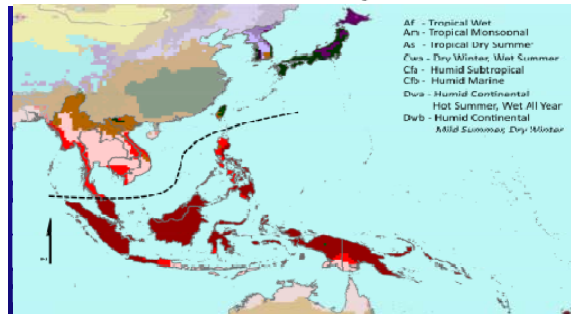
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  - 05. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-pulses-fallow/rice
  - 06. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-fallow-rice/fallow
  - 07. Rainfed-SC-groundnut/pigeonpea
  - 08. Rangelands mix with rainfed mixed crops
  - 09. Water bodies
  - 10. Built-up lands
  - 11. Forests/Savannas/others

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# GFSAD30 Project

## Overarching Goal and Specific Objectives

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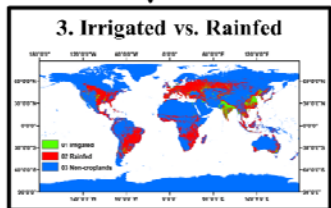
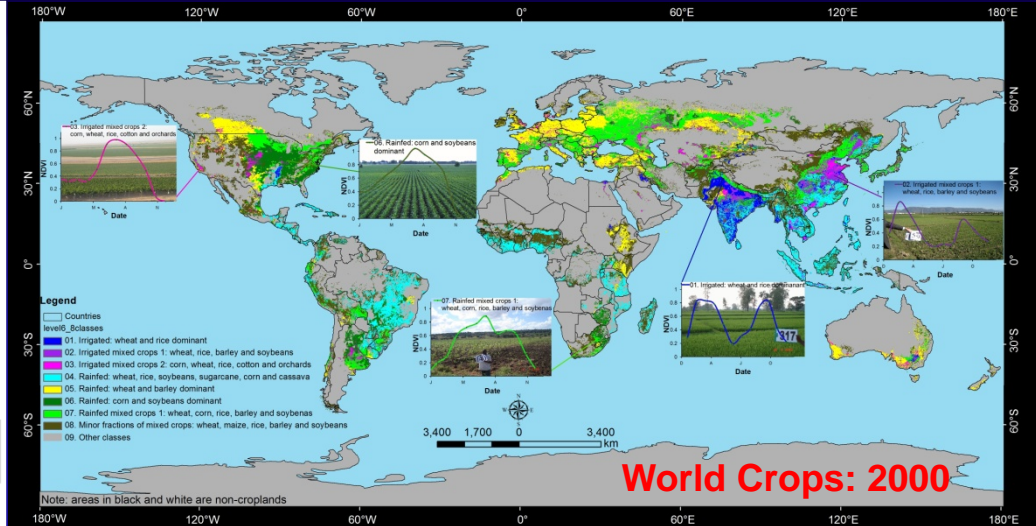
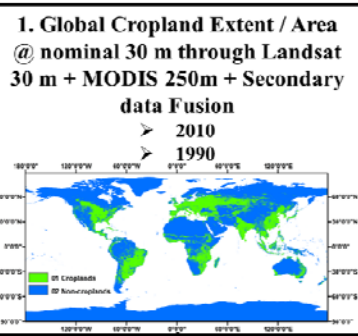
# Overarching Goal

Monitoring global croplands (GCs) is imperative for ensuring sustainable water and food security to the people of the world in the Twenty-first Century. However, the currently available cropland products suffer from major limitations such as: (1) Absence of precise spatial location of the cropped areas; (b) Coarse resolution nature of the map products with significant uncertainties in areas, locations, and detail; (b) Uncertainties in differentiating irrigated areas from rainfed areas; (c) Absence of crop types and cropping intensities; and (e) Absence of a dedicated web\data portal for the dissemination of cropland products.

**The overarching goal of this project is to produce consistent and unbiased estimates of global agricultural cropland areas, crop types, crop watering method, and cropping intensities using Multi-sensor, Multi-date Remote Sensing and mature cropland mapping algorithms (CMAs).**

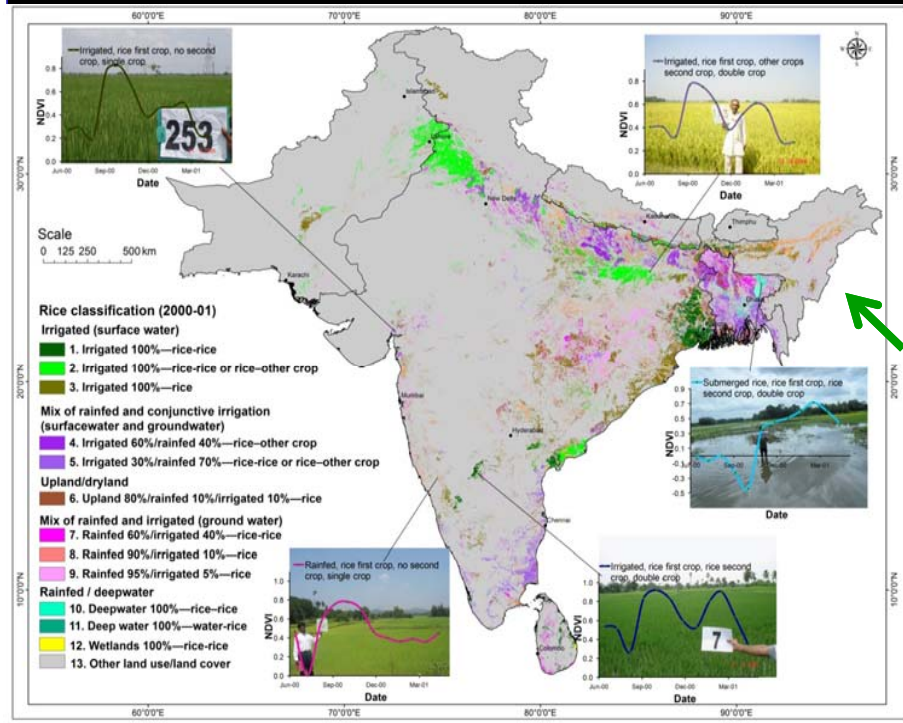
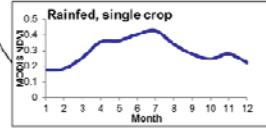
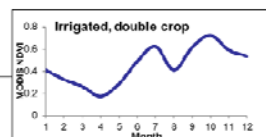
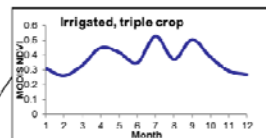
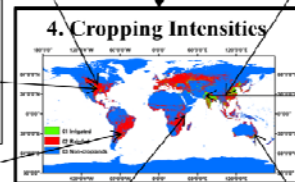
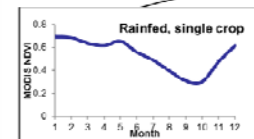
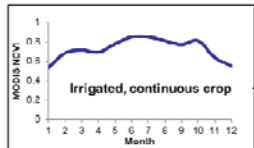
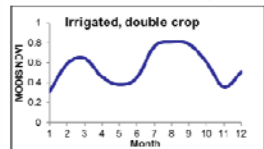


# Four Main Products



**2. Crop Type**  
8 major crops + others

Crop Type	Crop Area (ha)	Proportion (%)
Wheat	402,800,000	22
Corn	227,100,000	13
Rice	195,600,000	11
barley	158,000,000	9
Soybeans	92,700,000	5
Pulses	79,400,000	4
Cotton	53,400,000	3
Potatoes	50,100,000	3



Rice crop in India: Year 2000



# Specific Products @ 3 Different Resolutions

## 1A. GCE 1km Crop Dominance (aka GCE V0.0)

- Cropland extent and areas;
- Cropland watering method: irrigation versus rainfed

To a lesser extent

- Crop dominance (not type)

## 1B. GCE 1km Multi-study Crop Mask (aka GCE V1.0)

- Cropland extent and areas;
- Cropland watering method: irrigation versus rainfed

## 2. GCE 250m Crop Dominance (aka GCE V2.0)

- Cropland extent and areas;
- Cropland watering method: irrigation versus rainfed;
- Cropping intensity;

To a lesser extent

- Crop type and/or dominance

## 3. GCE 30m Crop Dominance (aka GCE V3.0)

- Cropland extent and areas;
- Cropland watering method: irrigation versus rainfed;
- Cropping intensity;
- Crop type and/or dominance

1 km

250 m

30 m

# Global Croplands @ ~ 1 km Spatial Resolution

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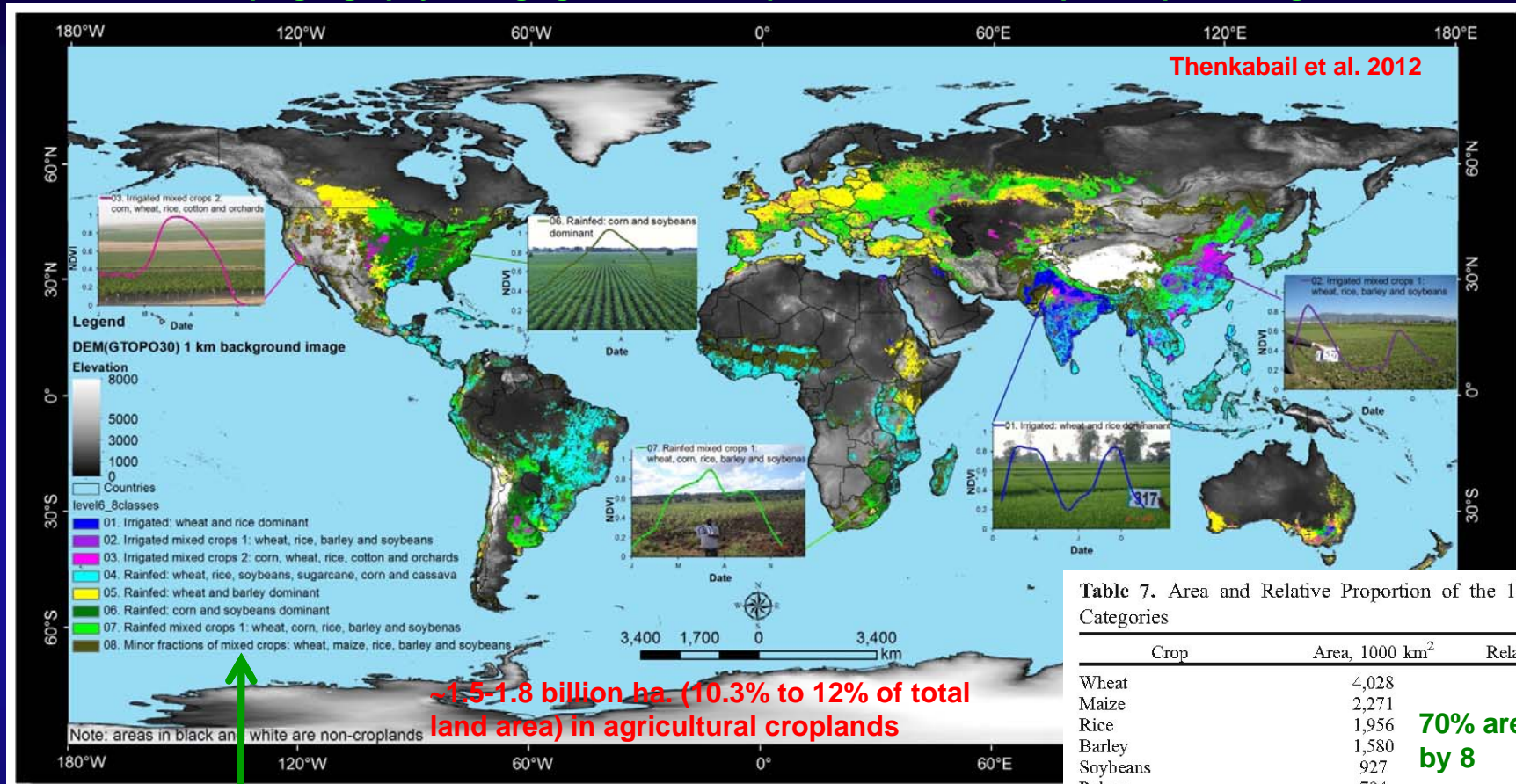


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# Global Croplands @ ~ 1 km

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1. Focus on global mapping irrigated and rainfed croplands and computing their blue water and green water use

2. Focus on 18 crops occupy 85% of all global cropland areas.....so, we can focus on them

**Table 7. Area and Relative Proportion of the 18 Major Crop Categories**

Crop	Area, 1000 km <sup>2</sup>	Relative Fraction, %
Wheat	4,028	22
Maize	2,271	13
Rice	1,956	11
Barley	1,580	9
Soybeans	927	5
Pulses	794	4
Cotton	534	3
Potatoes	501	3
Sorghum	501	3
Millet	331	2
Sunflower	290	2
Rye	288	2
Rapeseed/canola	283	2
Sugar cane	265	1
Groundnuts/peanuts	247	1
Cassava	235	1
Sugar beets	154	1
Oil palm fruit	72	<1
Total of major 18 crops	15,256	85
Others	2664	15
Total cropland	17,920	100

**70% area by 8 crops**

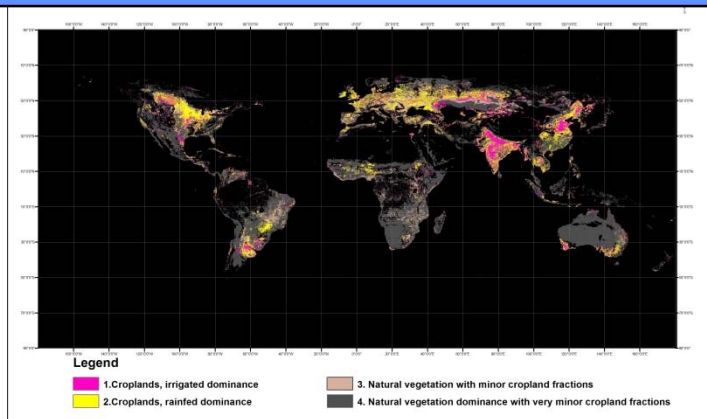


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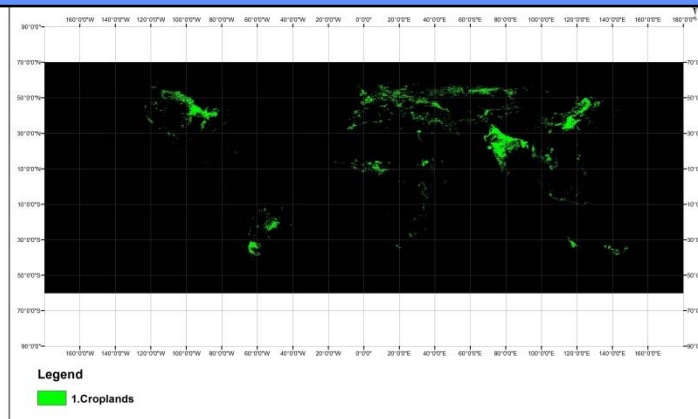
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## Global Croplands @ ~ 1 km; Constitutes Initial Mask for Higher Resolution Products

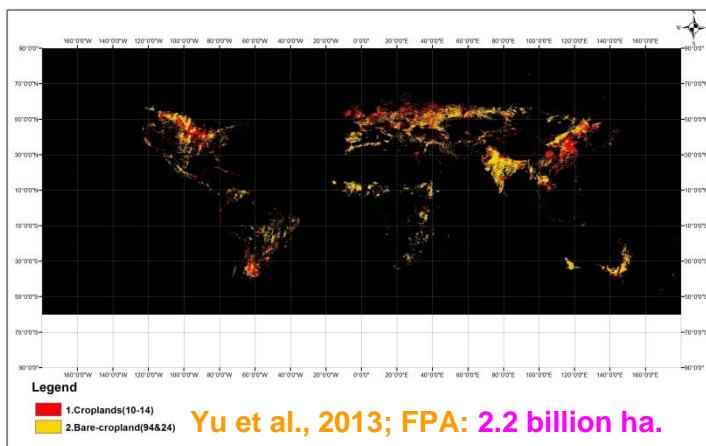
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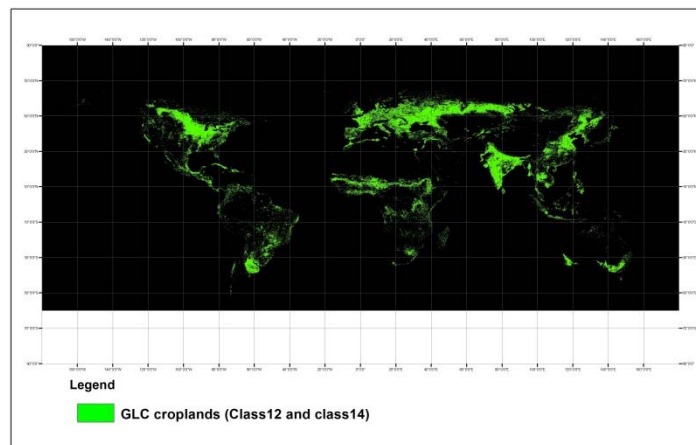
Thenkabail et al., 2011, 2009a,b; FPA: 2.3 billion ha.



Pittman et al., 2010; FPA: 0.9 billion ha.



Yu et al., 2013; FPA: 2.2 billion ha.



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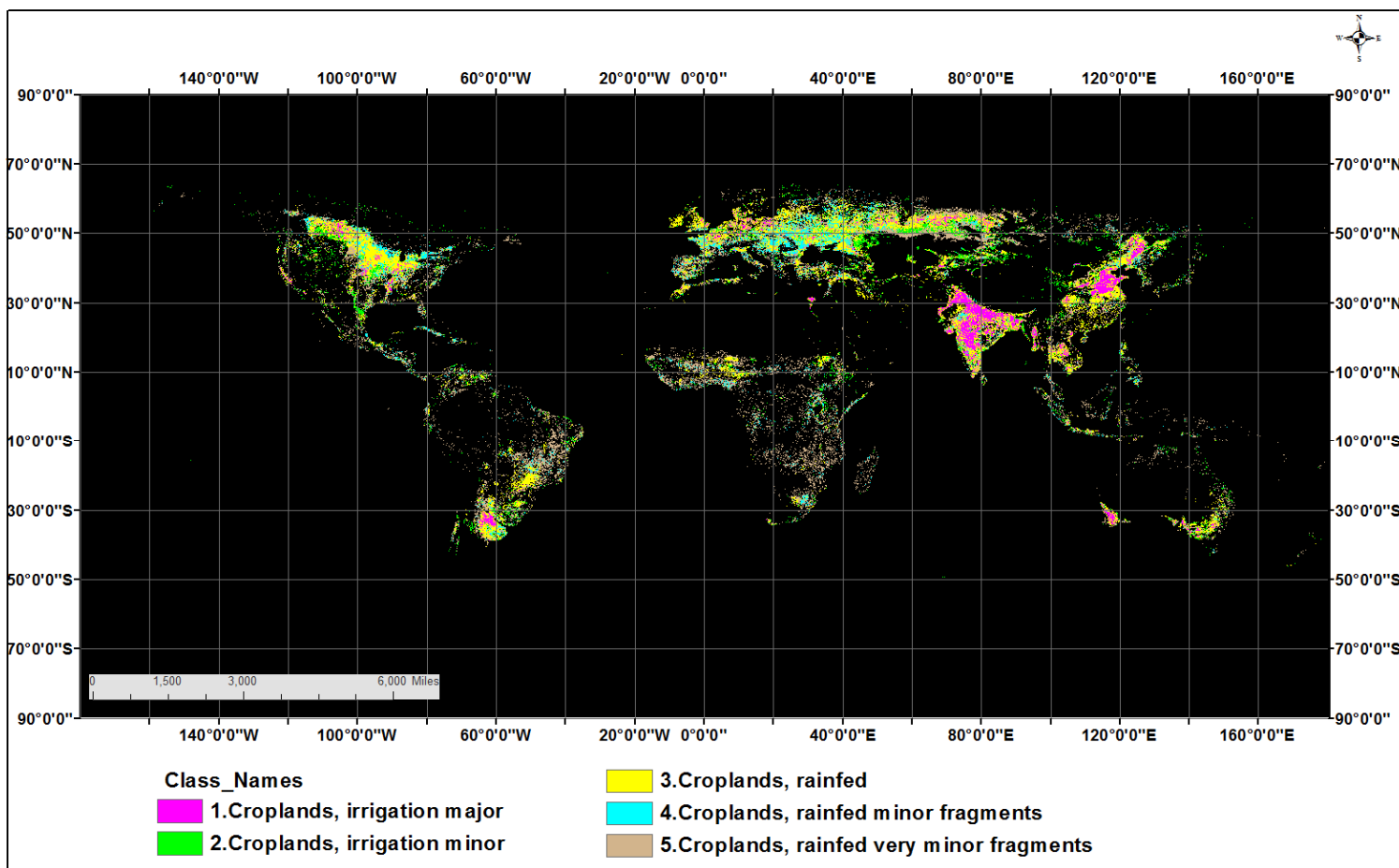
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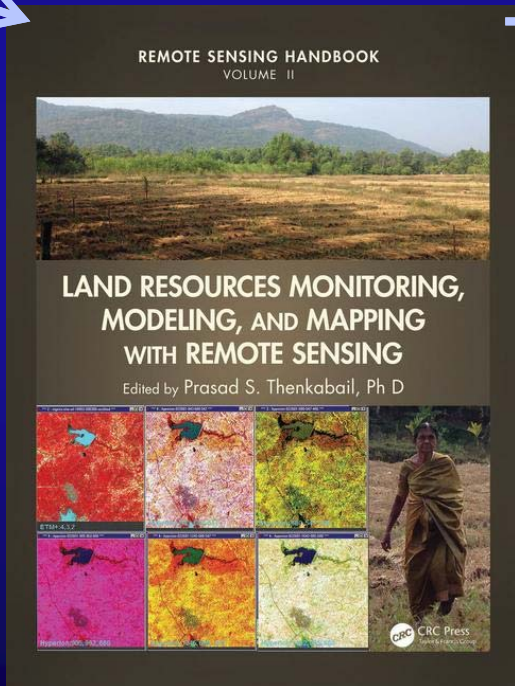
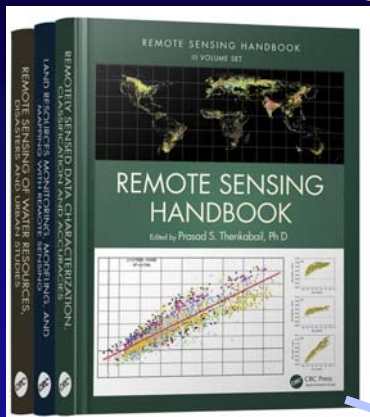
**~2.3 billion hectares full pixel area (FPAs) with 34% irrigated and 66% rainfed.**



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# Global Food Security-support Data @ 30 m (GFSAD30) Project GCE 1km Multi-study Crop Mask (aka GCE V1.0)



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# Global Croplands @ ~ 250 m Spatial Resolution

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# Cropland Mapping Algorithms (CMAs)

## Methods, Models, Algorithms used in GFSAD30 Project

- A. **kMeans algorithms** (Duveiller et al., 2015, Jensen et al., 2000);
- B. **Isoclass Clustering** (Duveiller et al., 2015, Jensen et al., 2000);
- C. **Phenology based methods** (Dong et al., 2015);
- D. **Tree-based regression algorithm** (Ozdogan and Gutman, 2008);
- E. **Linear discriminant analysis** (Imani and Ghassemian, 2015);
- F. **Machine learning algorithms: decision trees, random forest, support vector machines** (Pantazi et al., 2016. Duro et al., 2012, DeFries and Chan, 2000);
- G. **Decision Tree algorithms** (Friedl and Brodley, 1997, Defries et al., 1998, Waldner et al., 2015);
- H. **Random forest algorithms** (Tatsumi et al., 2015, Gislason et al., 2006);
- I. **Support vector machines** (Mountrakis et al., 2011);
- J. **Spectral matching techniques** (Thenkabail et al., 2007);
- K. **Automated cropland classification algorithms** (Thenkabail et al., 2010);



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# Quantitative Spectral Matching Techniques (SMTs)

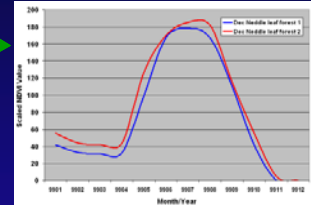
## Methods and Concepts of Quantitative SMTs

Quantitative SMTs compare class spectra of one class with class spectra of every other class & determine, quantitatively, similarities and dissimilarities between classes through automated process; facilitates rapid identification of classes.

### 1. Spectral Correlation Similarity (SCS)

- shape measure
- Values vary between 0 to 1 (theoretically between -1 and +1). Negative values have no meaning here. Ignore.

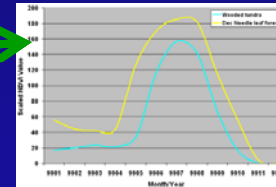
Note: Greater the SCS greater is the similarity between class spectra and target spectra



### 2. Spectral Similarity Value (SSV)

- Shape and magnitude measure
- Values vary between 0 to 1.415

Note: Smaller the SSV value greater the similarity between class spectra and target spectra



### 3. Modified Spectral Angle similarity (MSAS)

- hyper-angle measure
- practical implementation was difficult, hence dropped.

**Note:** Euclidian distance was a distance measure. We dropped it since SSV and SCS perform better.

Reference: Thenkabail, P.S., GangadharaRao, P., Biggs, T., Krishna, M., and Tural, H., 2007. Spectral Matching Techniques to Determine Historical Land use/Land cover (LULC) and Irrigated Areas using Time-series AVHRR Pathfinder Datasets in the Krishna River Basin, India. Photogrammetric Engineering and Remote Sensing. 73(9): 1029-1040. (Second Place Recipients of the 2008 John I. Davidson ASPRS President's Award for Practical papers).



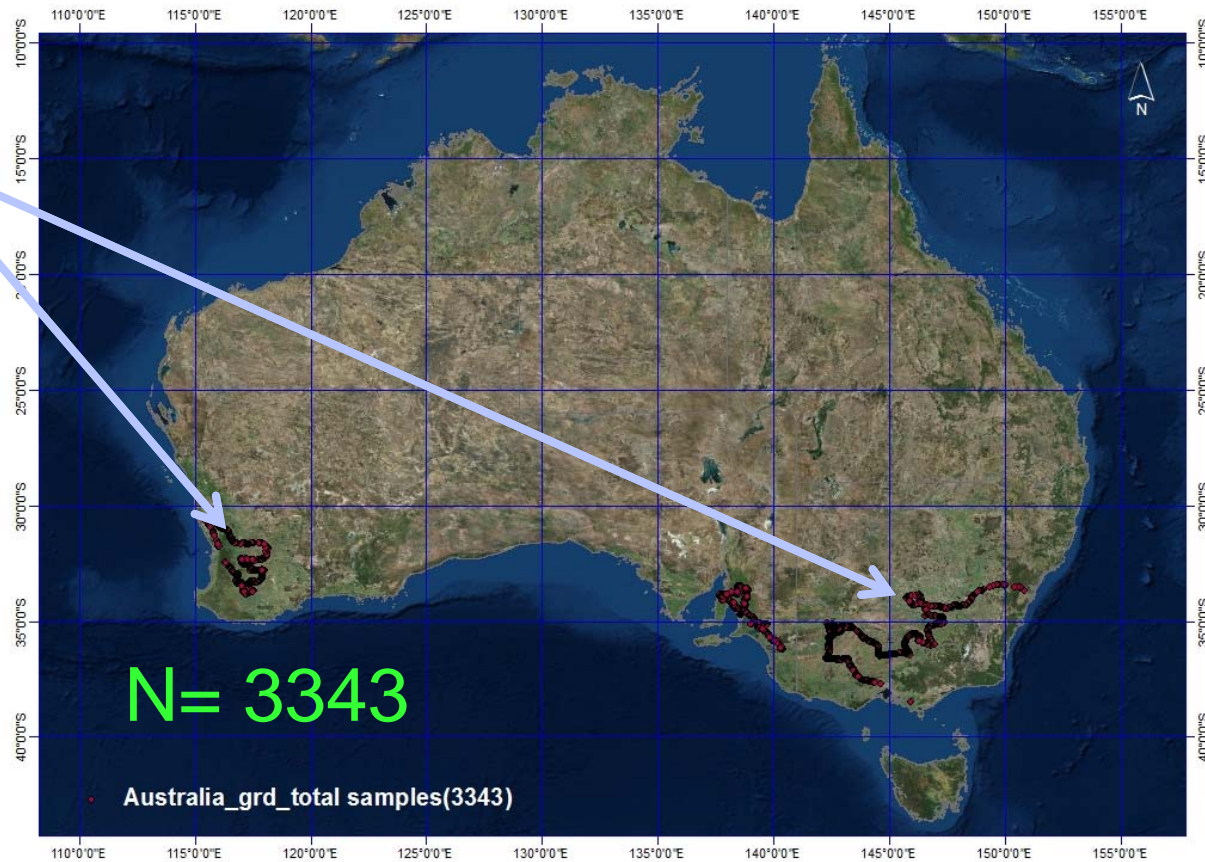
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# Quantitative Spectral Matching Techniques (SMTs) Knowledge Base for Training Algorithms (N= 3343)

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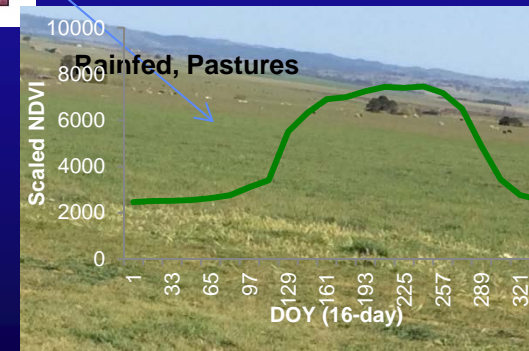
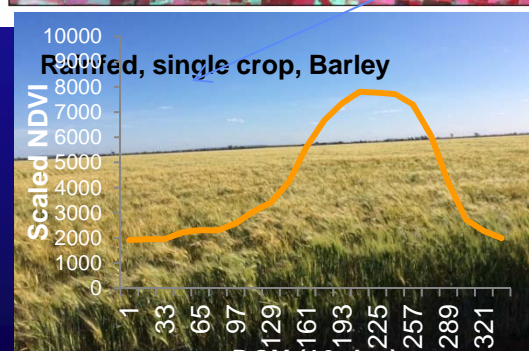
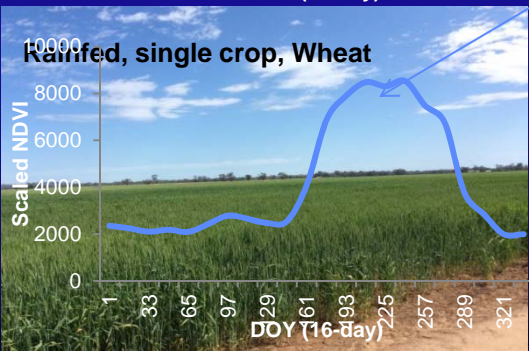
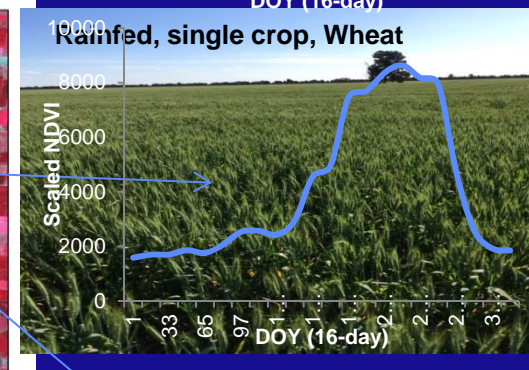
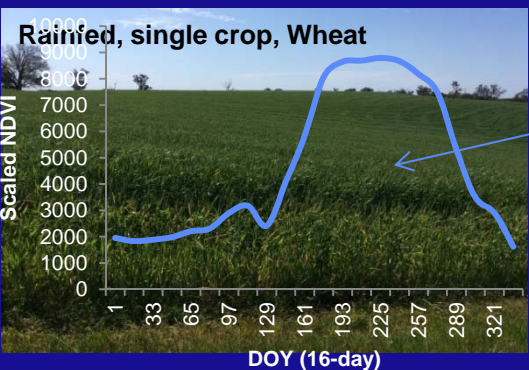
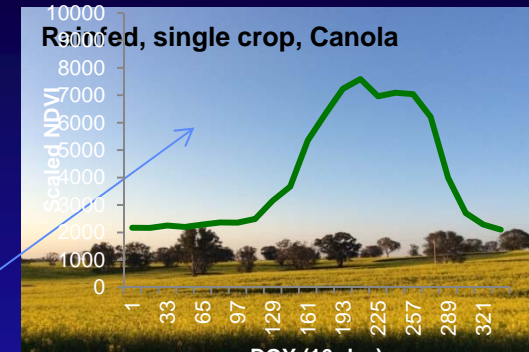
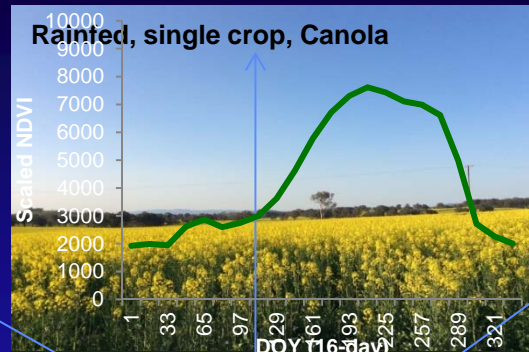
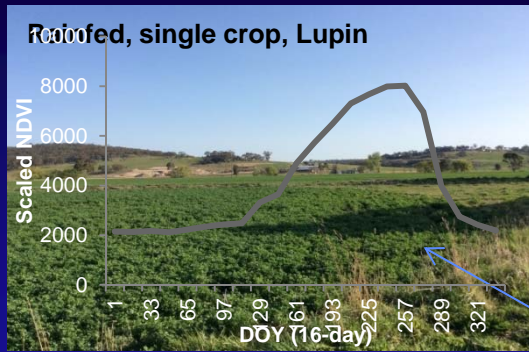


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# Quantitative Spectral Matching Techniques (SMTs)

Developing Ideal Spectra using MODIS 250m Every 16-day data of 2014 for Australia



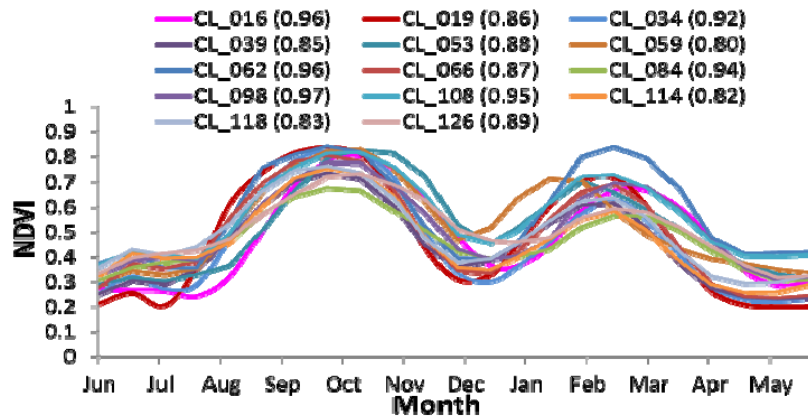
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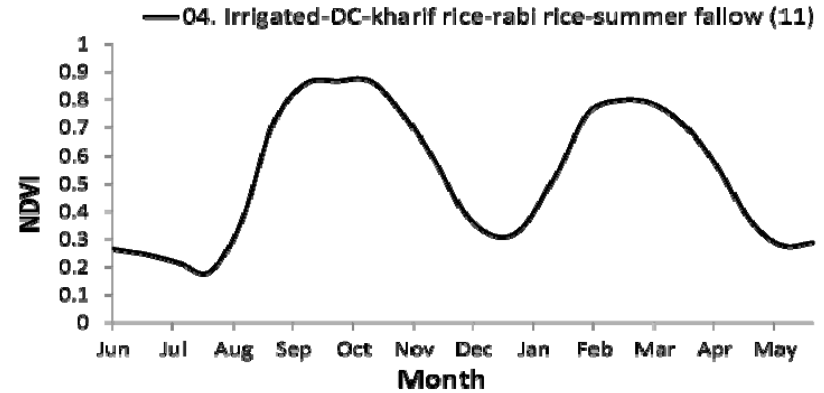
# Matching group of Irrigated Class Spectra with Ideal Spectra

Illustration shows how 14 Similar Classes are Grouped & matched with Ideal Spectra  
Using Quantitative Spectral matching Technique (QSMTs)

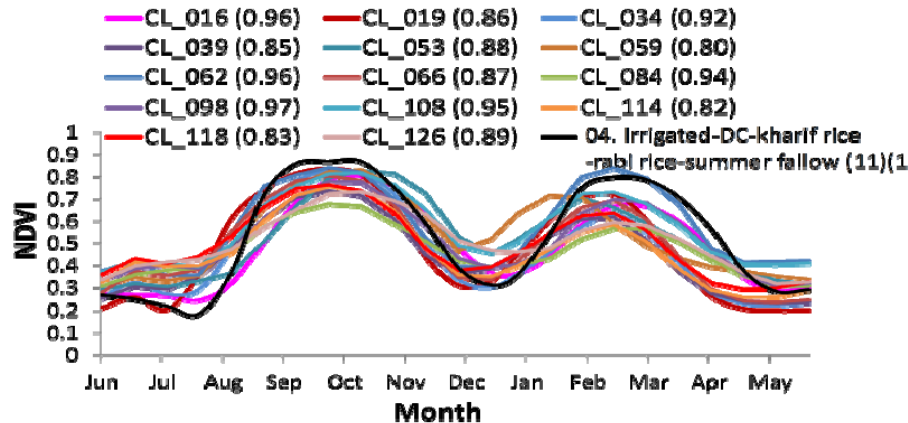
a) Class spectra that have similar temporal signatures are grouped together



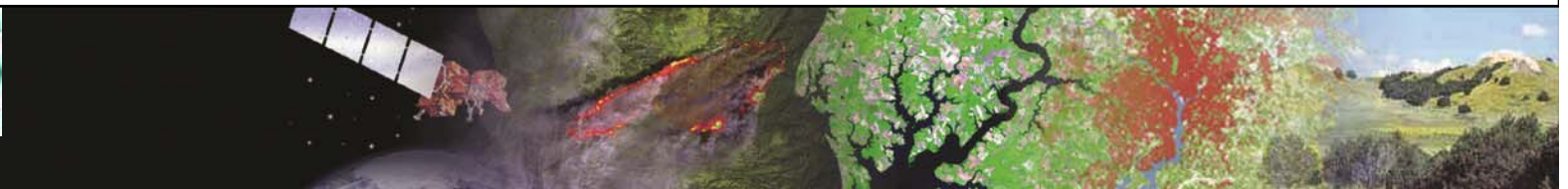
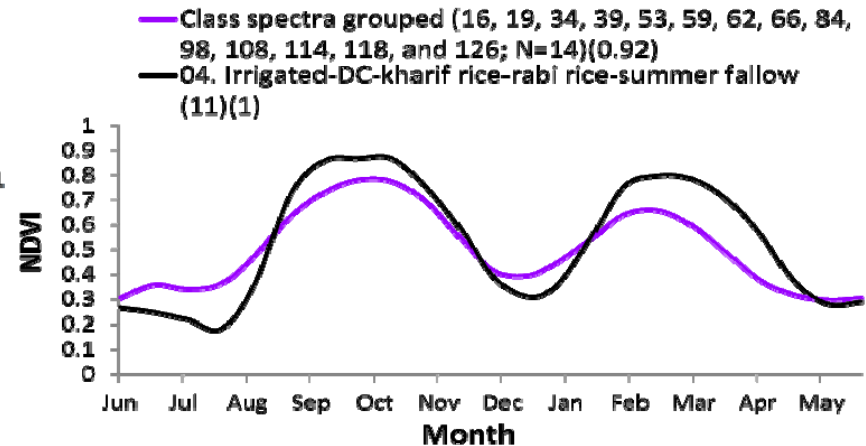
b) Ideal spectra that is closest to class spectra that are shown in (a)



c) Match Class spectra that are similar with Ideal Spectra that best matches them



d) Match class spectra that are grouped together into single class with ideal spectra





# Croplands vs. Non-croplands of Australia, Year 2014

Total 6 Unique Cropland Classes based on MODIS 250m Every 16-day, NDVI data

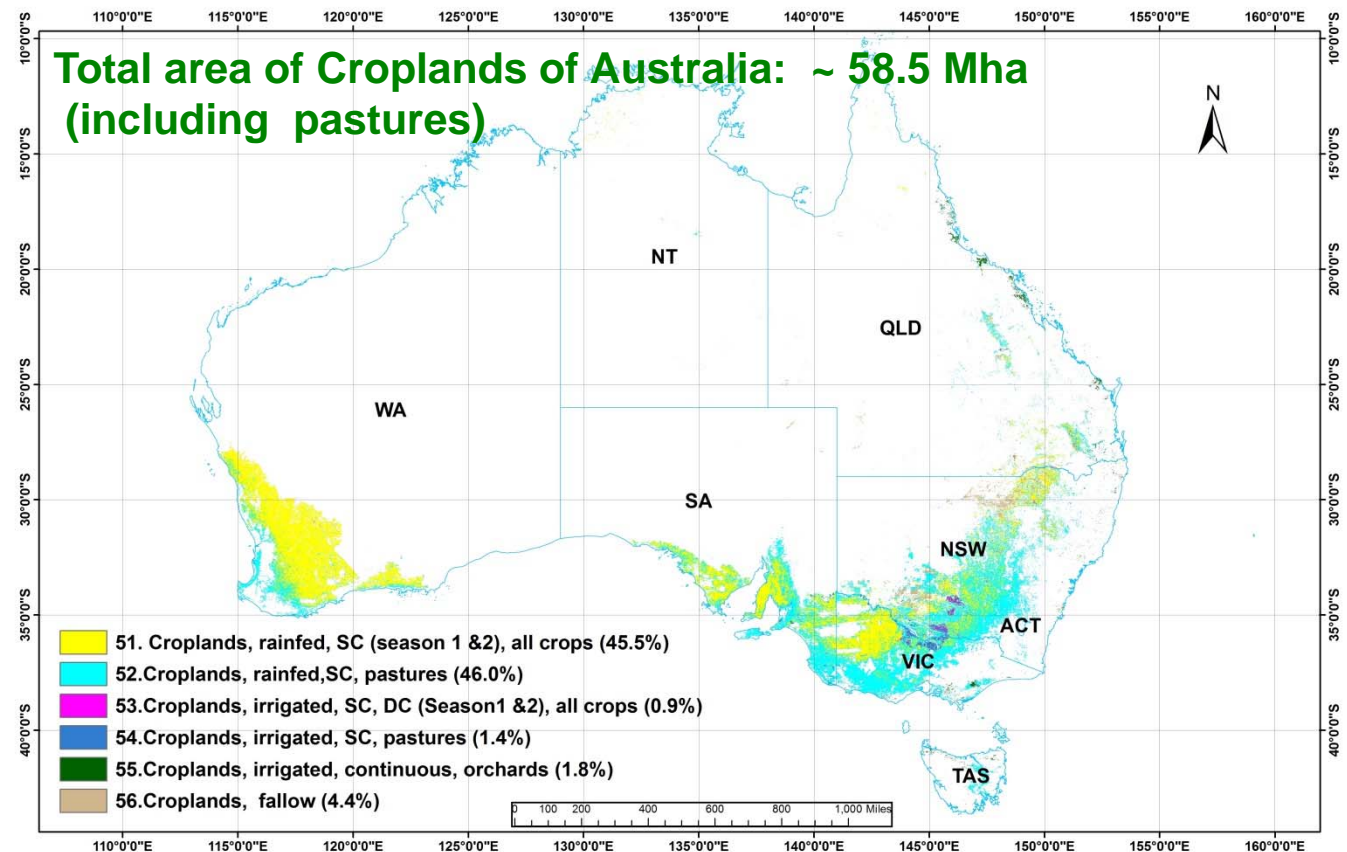
## Main Messages:

1. Rainfed single crop (45.5%), and Rainfed single crop Pasture (46%) dominate Australia's croplands;

2. Croplands distribution of Australia (31.6 Mha):  
91.5% rainfed  
4.1% irrigated  
4.4% fallow

Note: Actual areas (sub pixel areas) are reported. Details later.

## Reference Cropland Product of Australia; Year 2014



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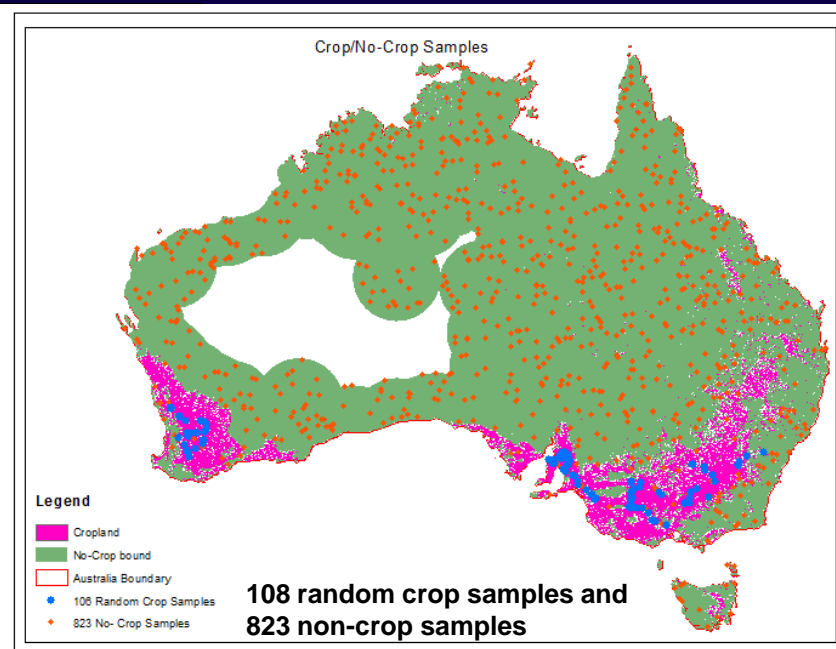


# Accuracies of Australia's Croplands vs. Non-croplands, Year 2014

## Total 6 Unique Cropland Classes based on MODIS 250m Every 16-day, NDVI data

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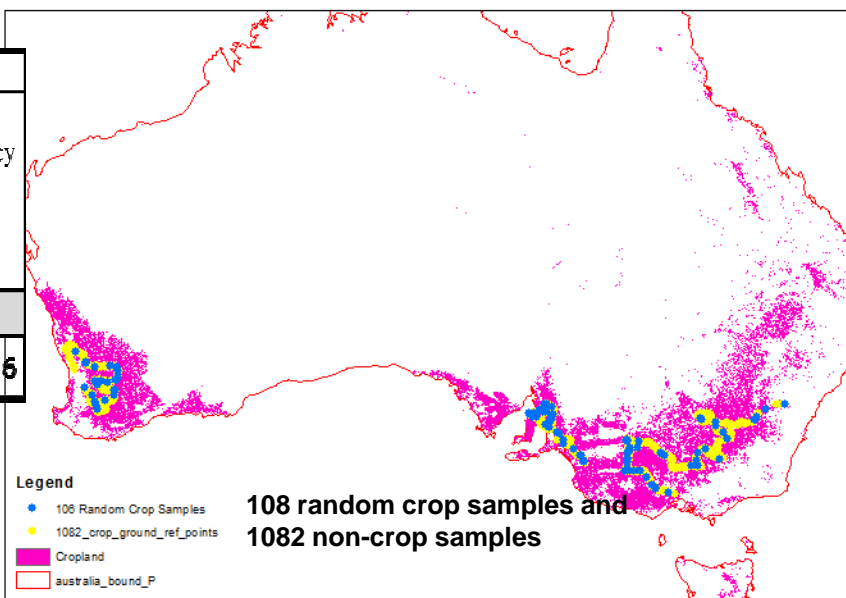
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Map Data	Cropland	1,040	13	1,053	98.77%
	No-Crop	42	23	65	35.38%
Sum Points		1,082	36	1,118	
Producer Accuracy		96.12%	63.89%		<b>95.08%</b>



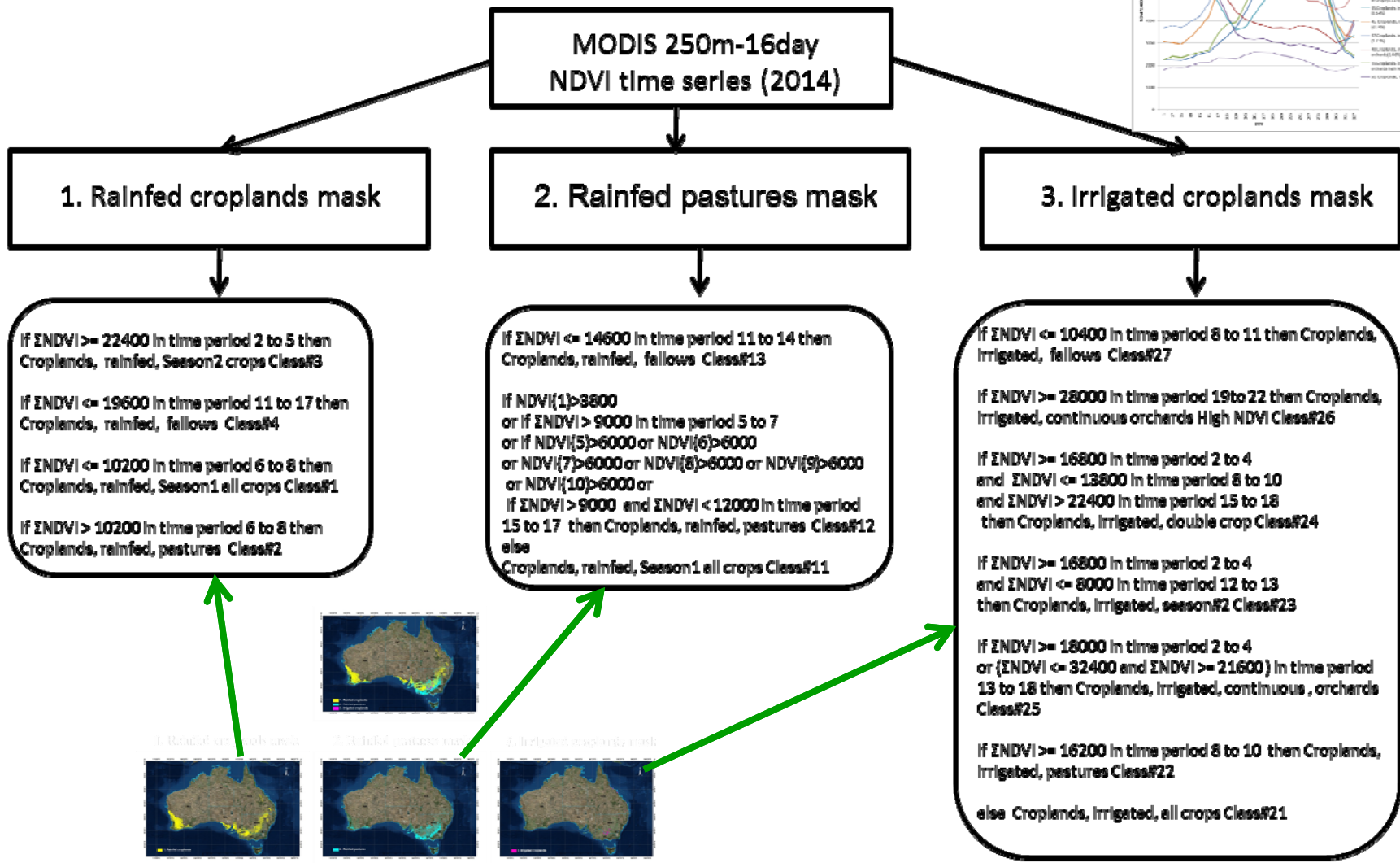
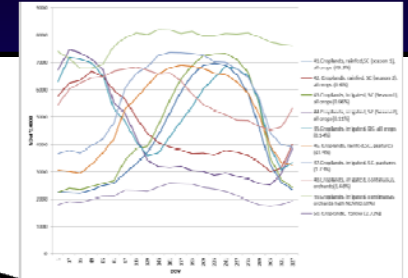
### Balanced

		Reference Data		Sum Points	User Accuracy
		Cropland	No-Crop		
Map Data	Cropland	102	13	115	88.70%
	No-Crop	4	810	814	99.51%
Sum Points		106	823	929	
Producer Accuracy		96.23%	98.42%		<b>98.17%</b>

**Kappa = 0.912711616**



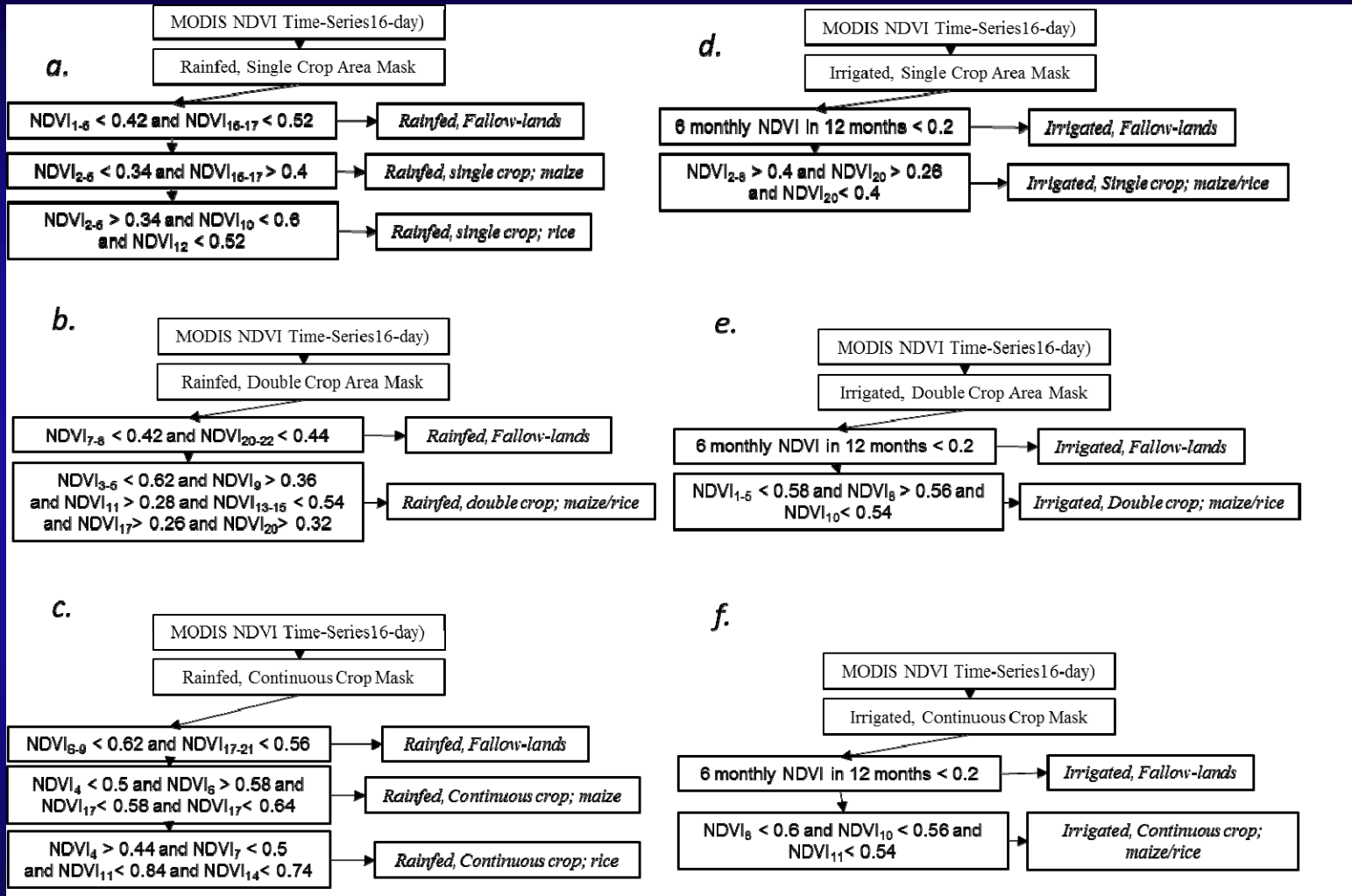
# Automated Cropland Classification Algorithm (ACCA) based on Reference Cropland Product of Australia for Year 2014



# Hardcoding Cropland Classes Based on Reference Cropland Product of year 2014 (RCP2014)

## Hard Coding Distinctly Seperable Classes

that Can be Separated Year After Year Automatically using MODIS 250m Every 16-day data



\*NDVI time-series consists of 23-band 16-day NDVI from MODIS product,  $NDVI_{1-5}$  means average NDVI from first five bands from the 23 bands.

Part of the.....  
....hard coded.....

Automated cropland classification algorithm (ACCA)

Note: find the full ACCA algorithm for Africa @:  
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# Reference cropland product of Australia for the year 2014 (RCP2014)

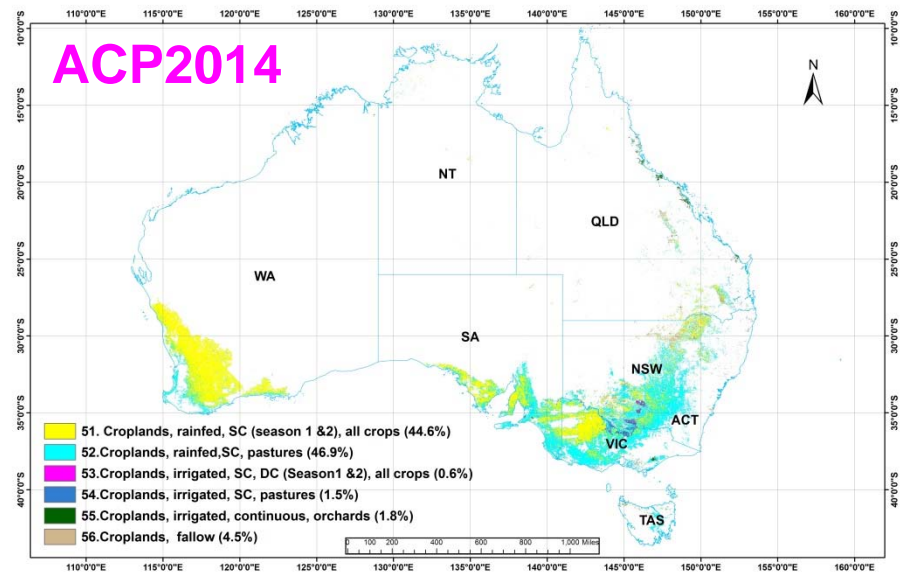
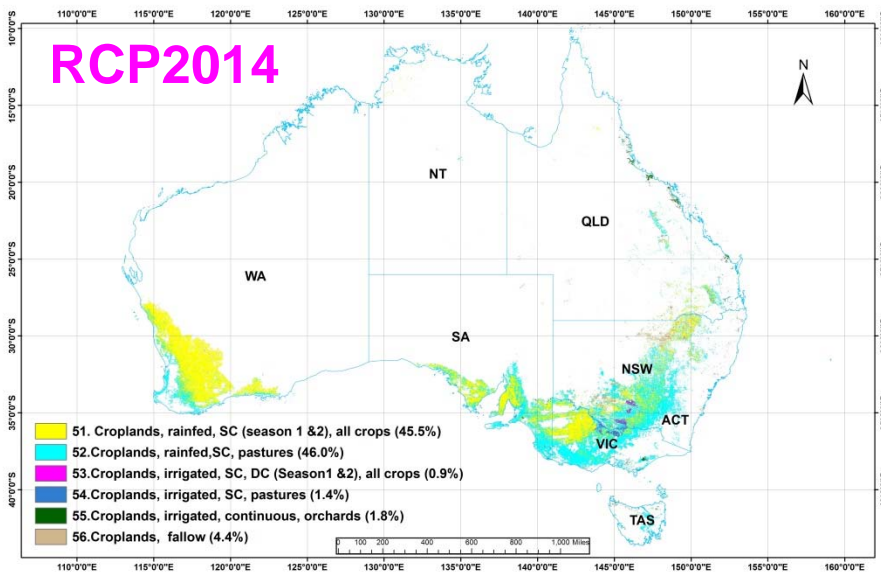
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# ACCA derived cropland product of Australia for the year 2014 (ACP2014)

Using MODIS 250m every 16 day data of Australia for the year 2014

Reference Product, 6 classes from all 3 masks (based on SMT): Spatial distribution of croplands within all 3 cropland masks using SMT

Algorithm Product, 6 classes from all 3 masks (based on ACCA): Spatial distribution of croplands within all 3 cropland masks using ACCA



6 Classes: 1 rainfed sc, 1 rainfed pasture, 1 irrigated sc, 1 irrigated dc, 1 irrigated continuous, 1 cropland fallows



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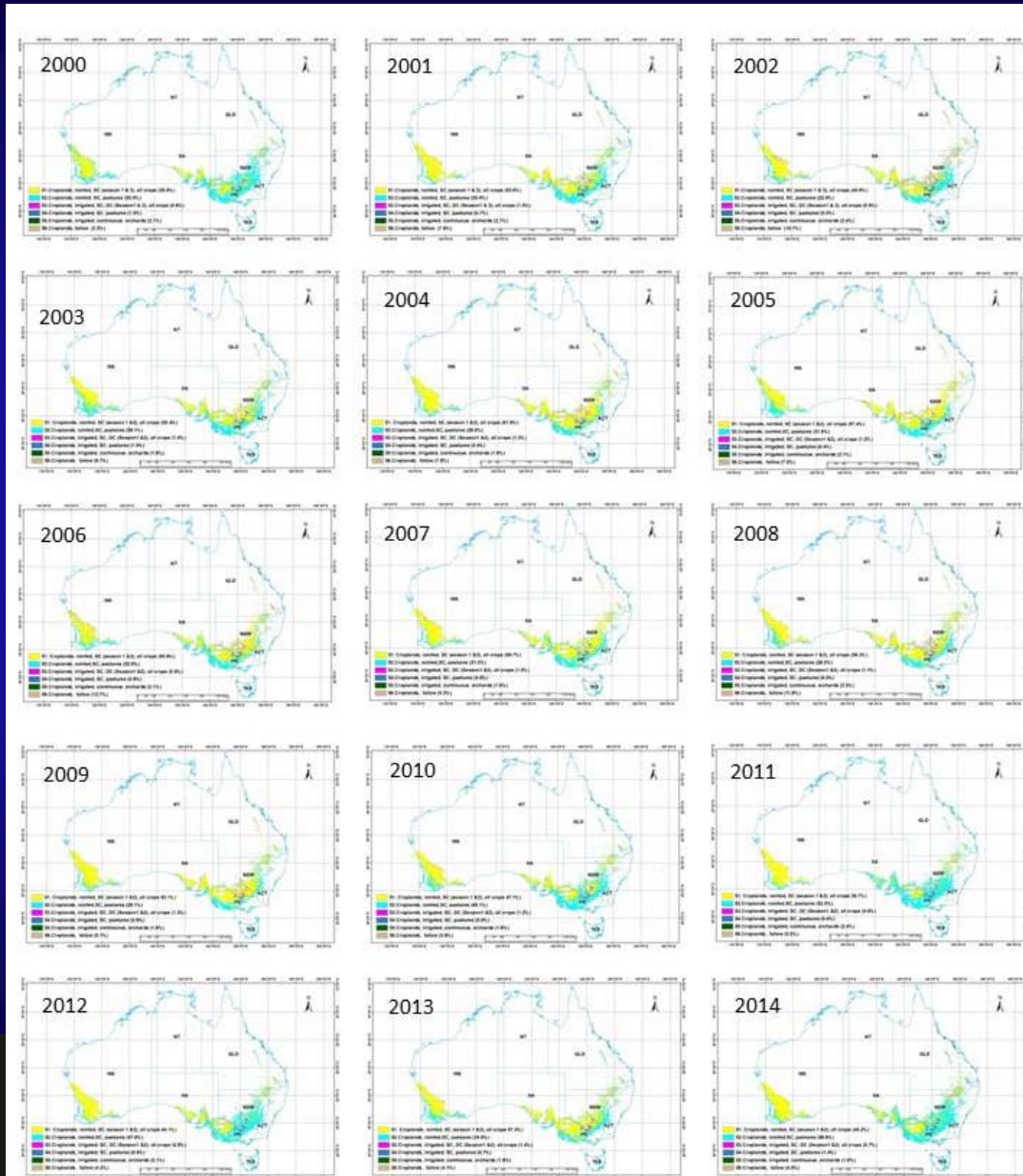
# Cropland Classes (6 class map) of Australia @ MODIS 250 m: 2000 through 2014

## Computed Automatically using Automated Cropland Classification Algorithms (ACCA)

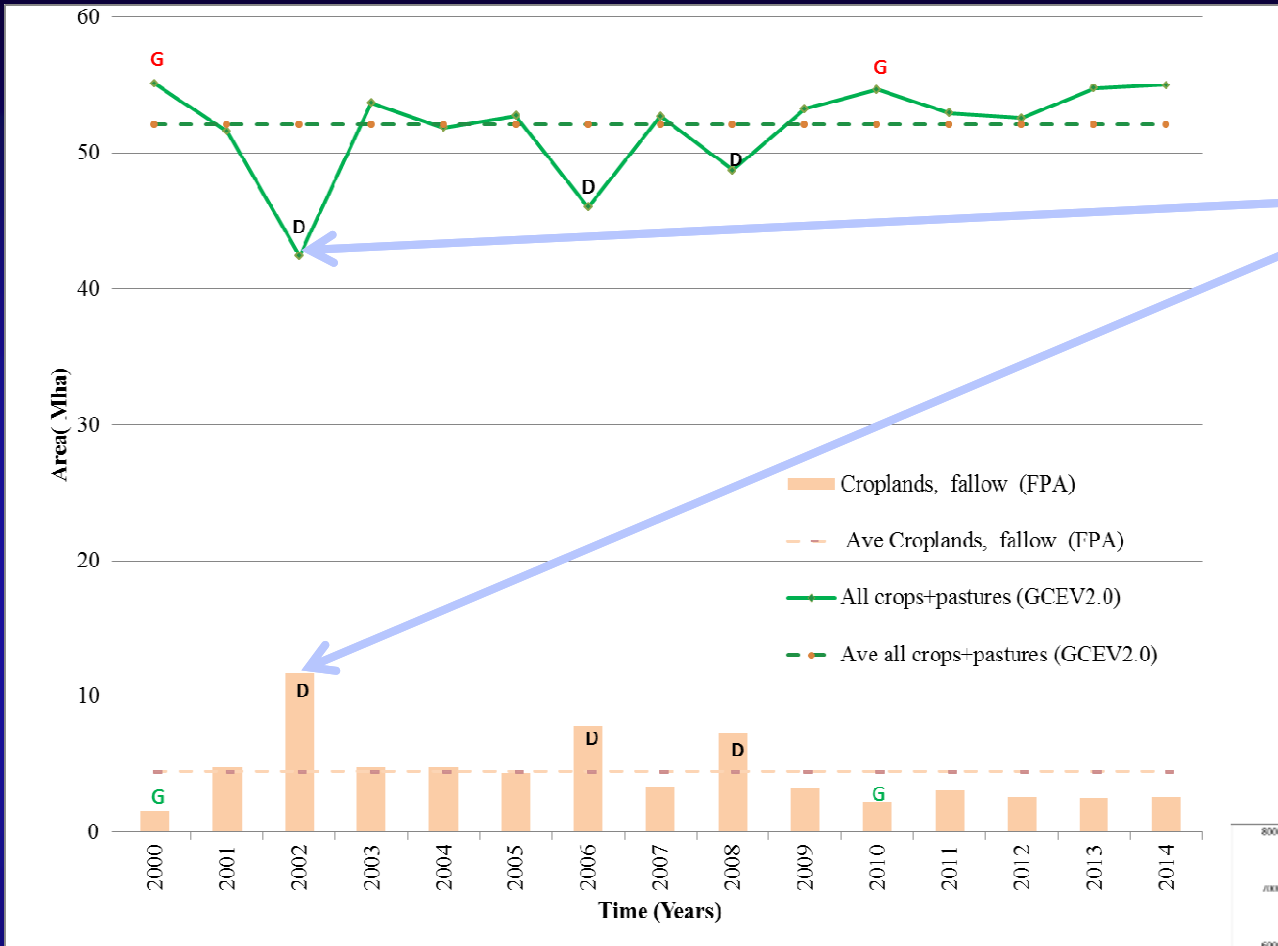
### ACP2000 to ACP2014

6 Classes:  
 1 rainfed sc,  
 1 rainfed pasture,  
 1 irrigated sc,  
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 1 irrigated continuous,  
 1 cropland falls

Using MODIS  
 250m every 16  
 day data of  
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 year 2014

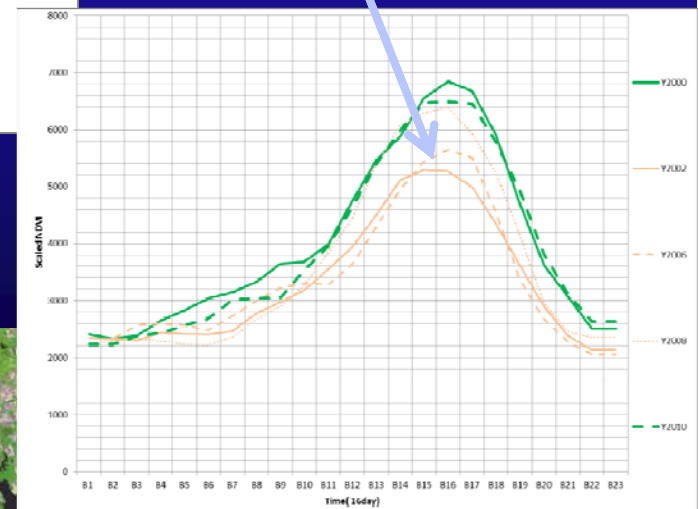


**Comparison of areas derived using ACCA algorithm on MODIS 250m for years 2000-2014 for Australia**  
**Trend of Croplands (croplands + pastures) vs Cropland Falls during drought and good years**



**During drought years:**  
**cropland areas decrease**  
**cropland fallows increase**  
**Cropland vigor decrease**

**The above factors have significant impact on food security**



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**Global Croplands @**  
**~ 250 m Spatial Resolution**  
**Myanmar and South Asia**

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# Croplands of Myanmar using MODIS 250 m Every 16-day NDVI Data for 2000-2014

## Croplands of Myanmar: Ground Data

**Irrigated-SW-TC-rice-chickpea-rice-LS**



**Rainfed-SC-rice-chickpea-LS**



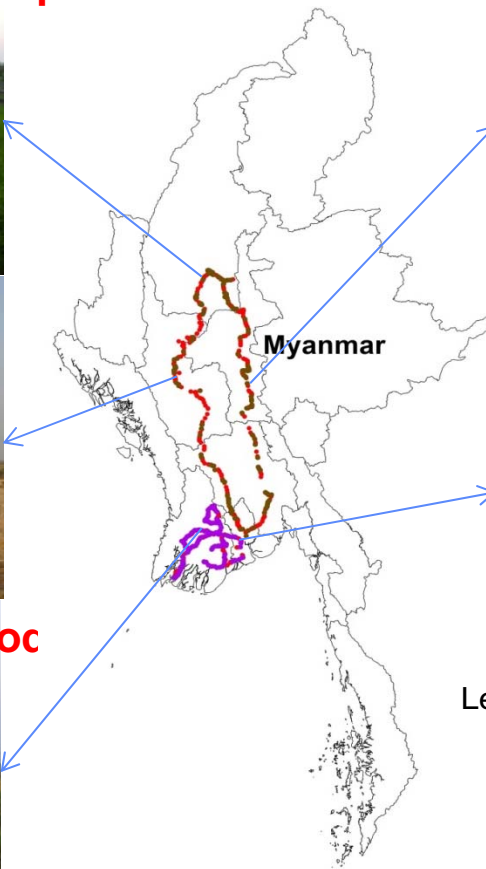
**Rainfed-SC-rice-LS-1a**



**Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-rice-LS-1a**



**Rainfed-lowlands-SC-flooc**



### Legend

- Ground data\_11-18-Dec-2012 (132)
- Ground data\_23-29-Mar-2013 (133)
- Ground data (Validation) (828)
- Myanmar province

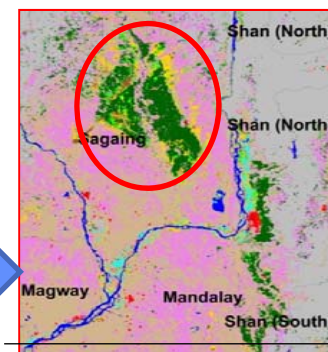
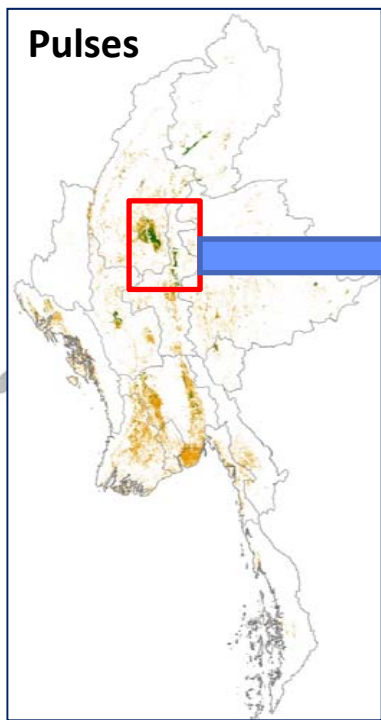
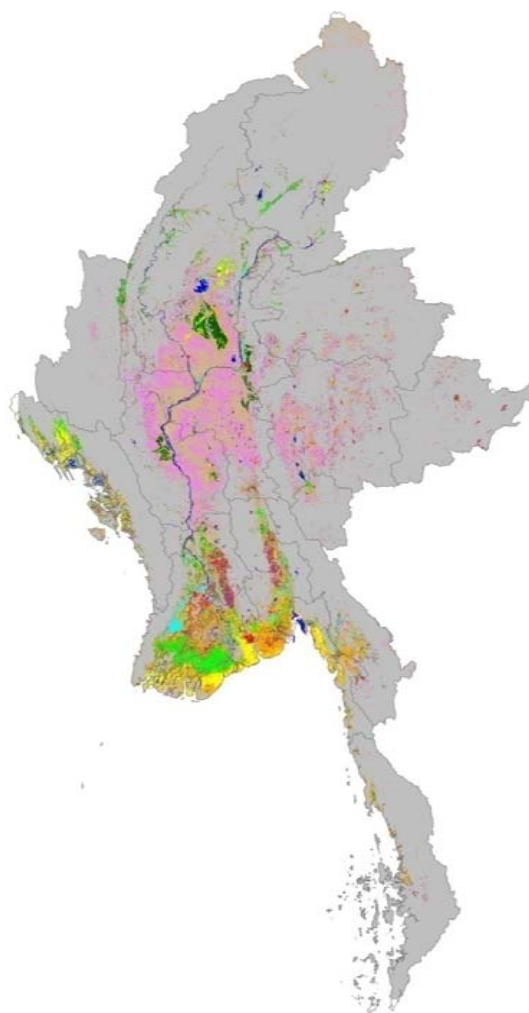


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# Croplands of Myanmar using MODIS 250 m Every 16-day NDVI Data for 2000-2014

## Croplands of Myanmar @ 250 m: Classes



Potential Chick pea areas (Rice-fallows)

<b>Net rice (Monsoon rice)</b>	<b>6,123,549</b>
<b>Summer rice</b>	<b>1,349,637</b>
<b>Total rice</b>	<b>7,473,186</b>
<b>Chickpea</b>	<b>344,665</b>
<b>Pulses</b>	<b>4,181,272</b>

- Land use / land cover
- 01. Rainfed-lowlands-flood-rice
  - 02. Rainfed-SC-rice-fallow
  - 03. Rainfed-SC-rice-pulses
  - 04. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-rice-fallow
  - 05. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-pulses-fallow/rice
  - 06. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-fallow-rice/fallow
  - 07. Rainfed-SC-groundnut/pigeonpea
  - 08. Rangelands mix with rainfed mixed crops
  - 09. Water bodies
  - 10. Built-up lands
  - 11. Forests/Savannas/others



Croplands of Myanmar using MODIS 250 m Every 16-day NDVI Data for 2000-2014

**Croplands of Myanmar @ 250 m: Statistics**

<i>Land use / land cover</i>	<i>Area (ha)</i>	<i>% total area</i>
01. Rainfed-lowlands-flood-rice	358272	1%
02. Rainfed-SC-rice-fallow	1069859	2%
03. Rainfed-SC-rice-pulses	2688163	4%
04. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-rice-fallow	722859	1%
05. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-legumes-fallow/rice	616685	1%
06. Irrigated-SW-DC-rice-fallow-rice	667711	1%
07. Rainfed-SC-groundnut/pigeonpea	6357374	9%
08. Rangelands mix with rainfed mixed crops	3362763	5%
09. Water bodies	579038	1%
10. Built-up lands	95459	0%
11. Forests/Savannas/others	50760614	75%
	6,72,78,797	
Rice planted area	6123549	49%
Pulsed and other crops	6357374	51%
Total cropped area	12480923	

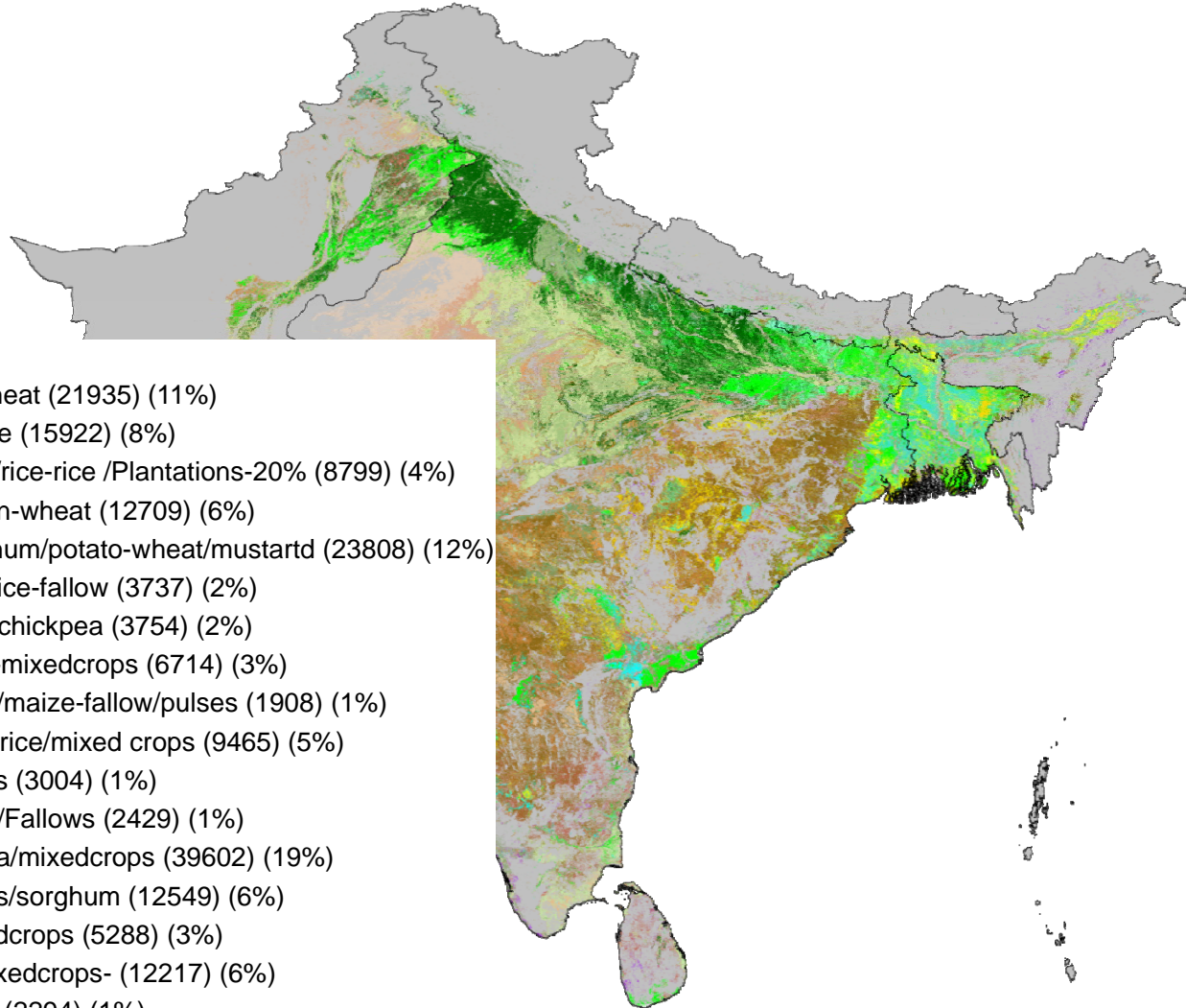


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# Croplands of South Asia using MODIS 250 m Every 16-day NDVI Data for 2000-2014

## Cropland Classes in detail



### LULC ('000ha)(%)

- 01. Irrigated-SW/GW-DC-rice-wheat (21935) (11%)
- 02. Irrigated-SW/GW-DC-rice-rice (15922) (8%)
- 03. Irrigated-SW-DC-Sugarcane/rice-rice /Plantations-20% (8799) (4%)
- 04. Irrigated-SW-DC-beans/cotton-wheat (12709) (6%)
- 05. Irrigated-GW-DC-millet/sorghum/potato-wheat/mustard (23808) (12%)
- 06. Irrigated-DC-fallows/pulses-rice-fallow (3737) (2%)
- 07. Irrigated-GW-DC-rice-maize/chickpea (3754) (2%)
- 08. Irrigated-TC-rice-mixedcrops-mixedcrops (6714) (3%)
- 09. Irrigated-SW-DC-cotton/chilli/maize-fallow/pulses (1908) (1%)
- 10. Rainfed-DC-rice-fallows-jute/rice/mixed crops (9465) (5%)
- 11. Rainfed-SC-rice-fallow/pulses (3004) (1%)
- 12. Rainfed-DC-millet-chickpea/Fallows (2429) (1%)
- 13. Rainfed-SC-cotton/pigeonpea/mixedcrops (39602) (19%)
- 14. Rainfed-SC-groundnut/millet/sorghum (12549) (6%)
- 15. Rainfed-SC-pigeonpea/mixedcrops (5288) (3%)
- 16. Rainfed-SC-millet-fallows/mixedcrops- (12217) (6%)
- 17. Rainfed-SC-fallow-chickpea- (2294) (1%)
- 18. Rainfed-SC-millet/fallows-LS (7846) (4%)
- 19. Rainfed-SC-mixedcrops/Plantations (12218) (6%)
- 20. Shrublands/trees/Rainfed-mixedcrops-30% (1642) (1%)
- 21. Other LULC

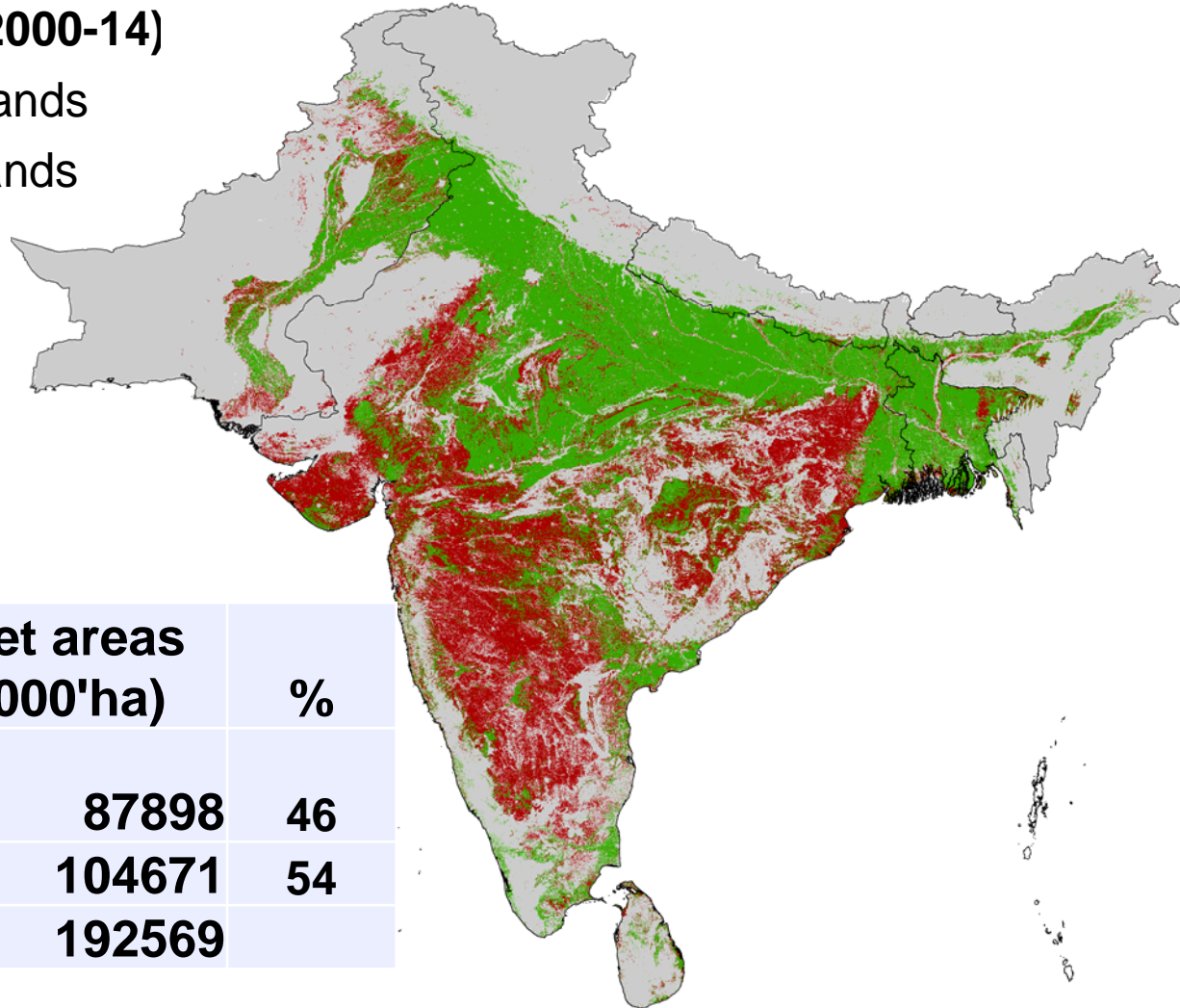


# Croplands of South Asia using MODIS 250 m Every 16-day NDVI Data for 2014-2015

## Irrigated versus Rainfed Croplands

### Agriculture area (2000-14)

- Irrigated croplands
- Rainfed croplands



Croplands	Net areas (000'ha)	%
Irrigated croplands	87898	46
Rainfed croplands	104671	54
<b>Total cropland</b>	<b>192569</b>	

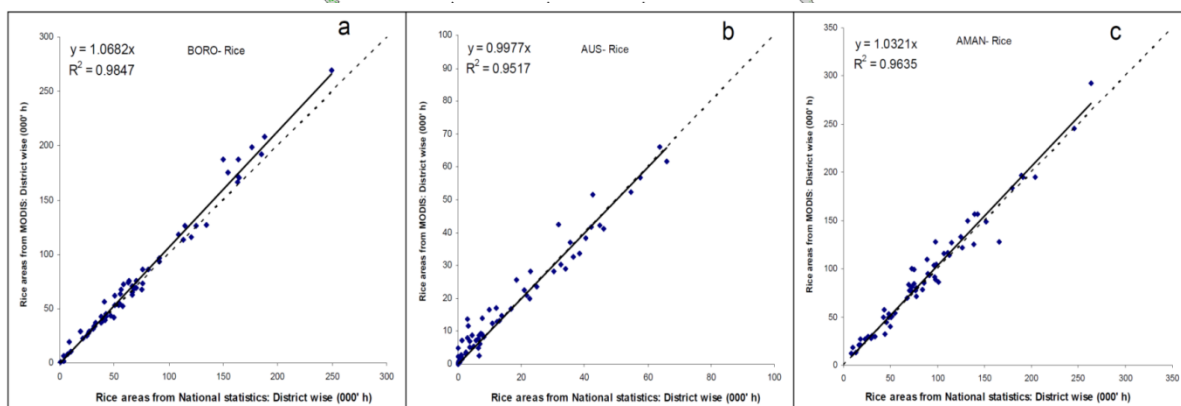
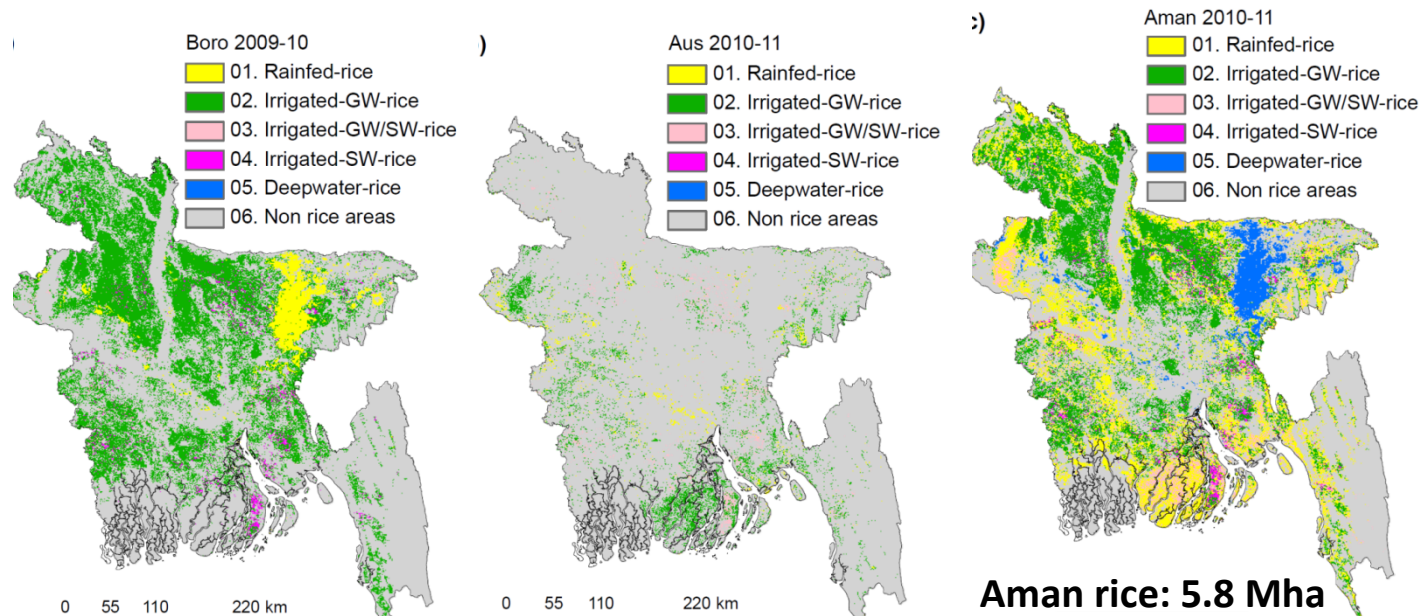


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# Croplands of South Asia using MODIS 250 m Every 16-day NDVI Data for 2014-2015

## Cropping Intensity for Bangladesh



**Global Croplands @**  
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**Africa**

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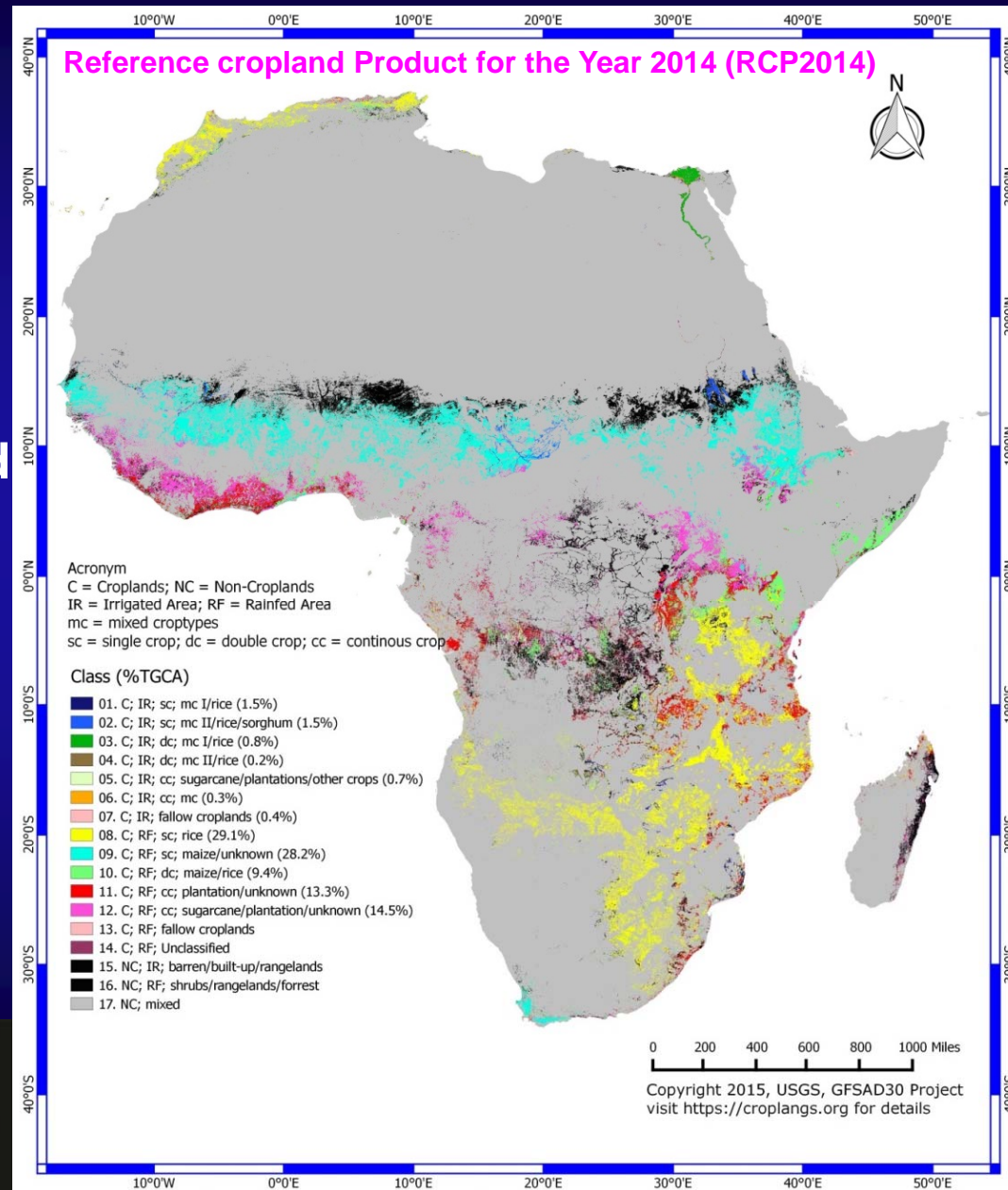


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# Product 4: Crop Type and/or Dominance

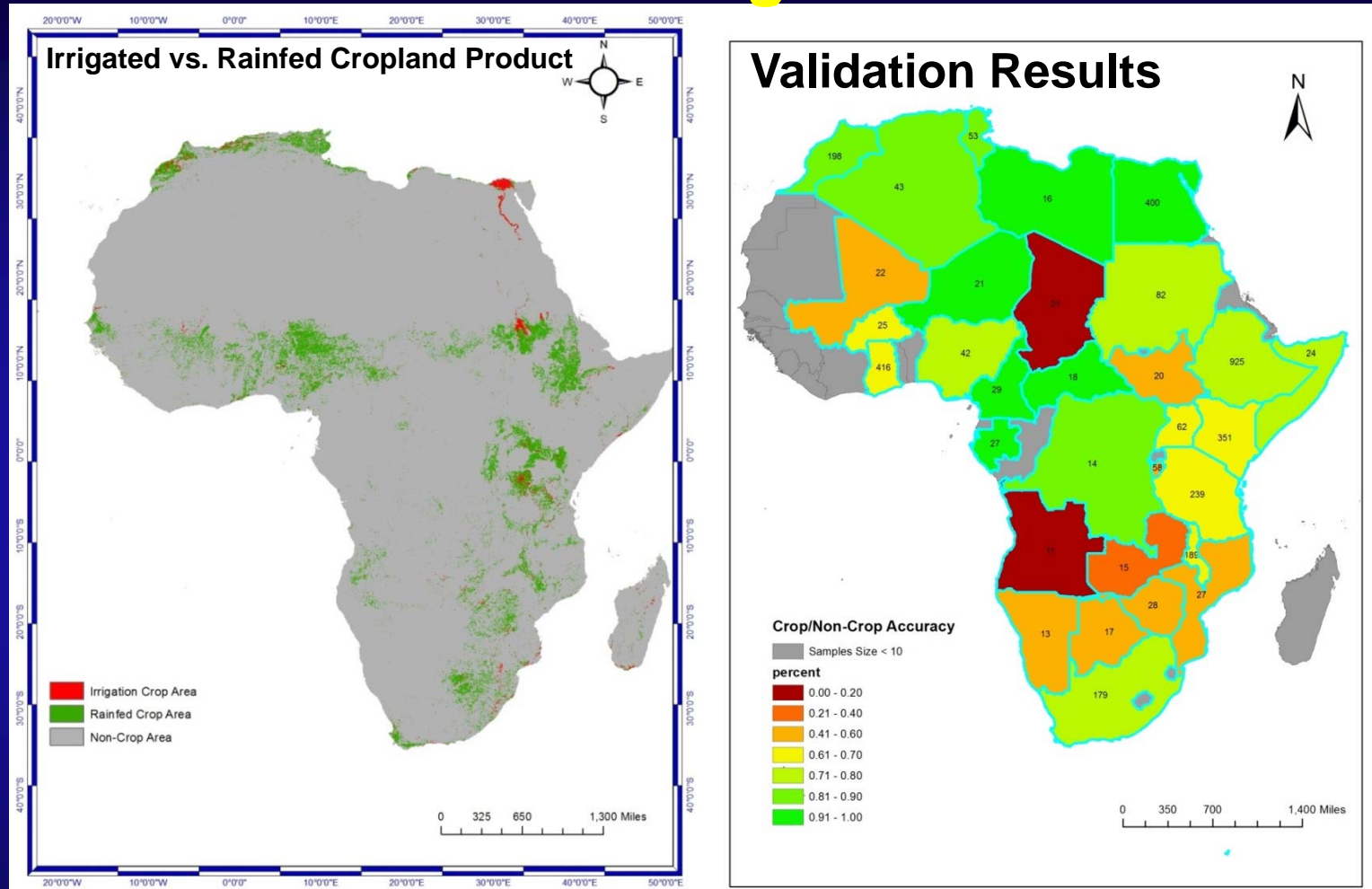
Note: cropland product derived based on quantitative spectral matching techniques (QSMTs)





Cropland Products @ MODIS 250 m (GCE250m V1.0) for Baseline Year Year 2014

# Validation: Irrigated versus Rainfed



Overall accuracy per country for the GCE250m V1.0 cropland product. Total samples size: 3,000. The grey area represents the samples sizes in less than 10 per country.

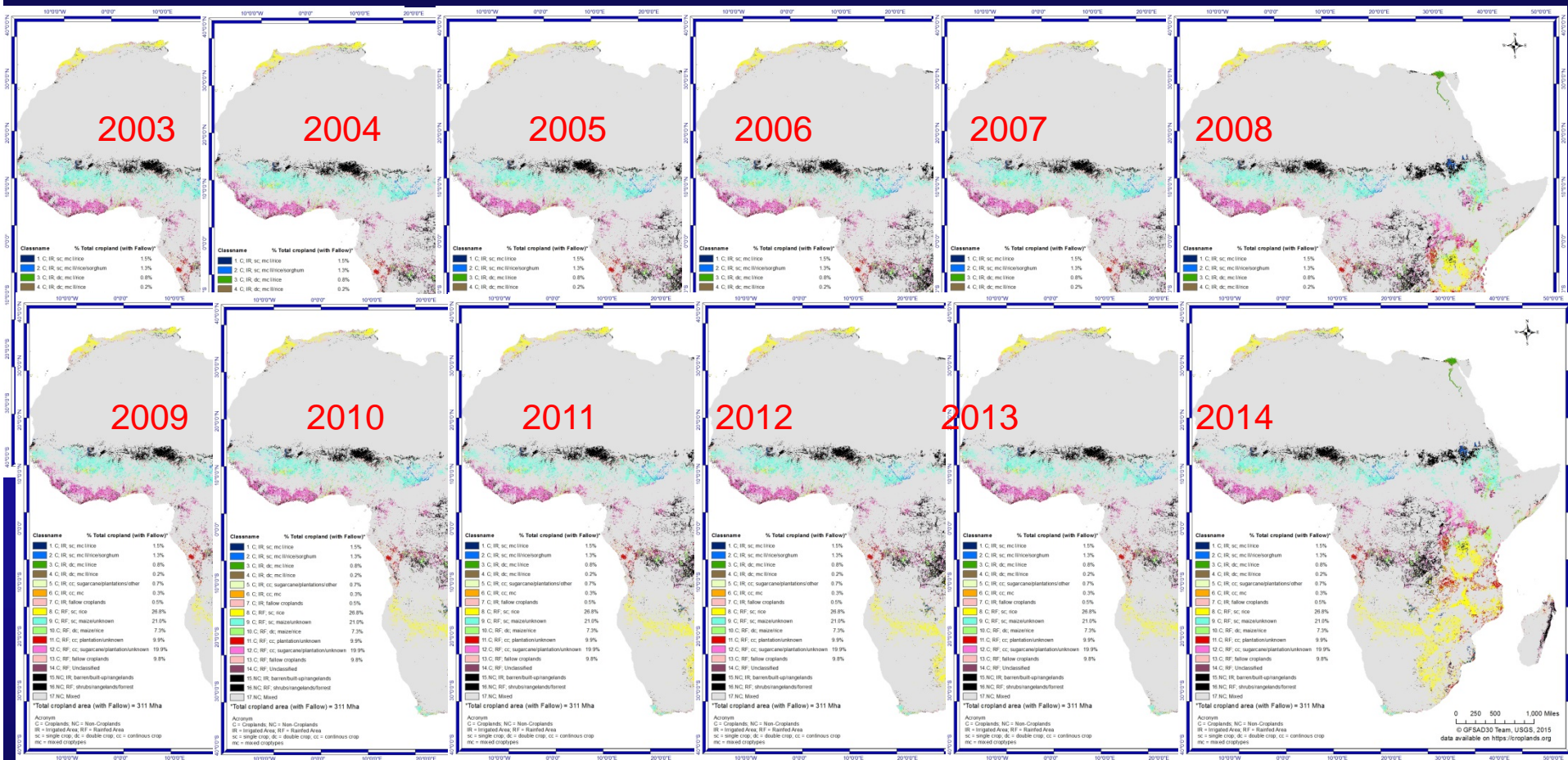


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# Computing for Africa

ACCA derived Cropland Products from the year 2003 to 2014 (ACP2003 to ACP2014)  
using MODIS 250m Every 16-day data



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**Global Croplands @**  
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**USA**

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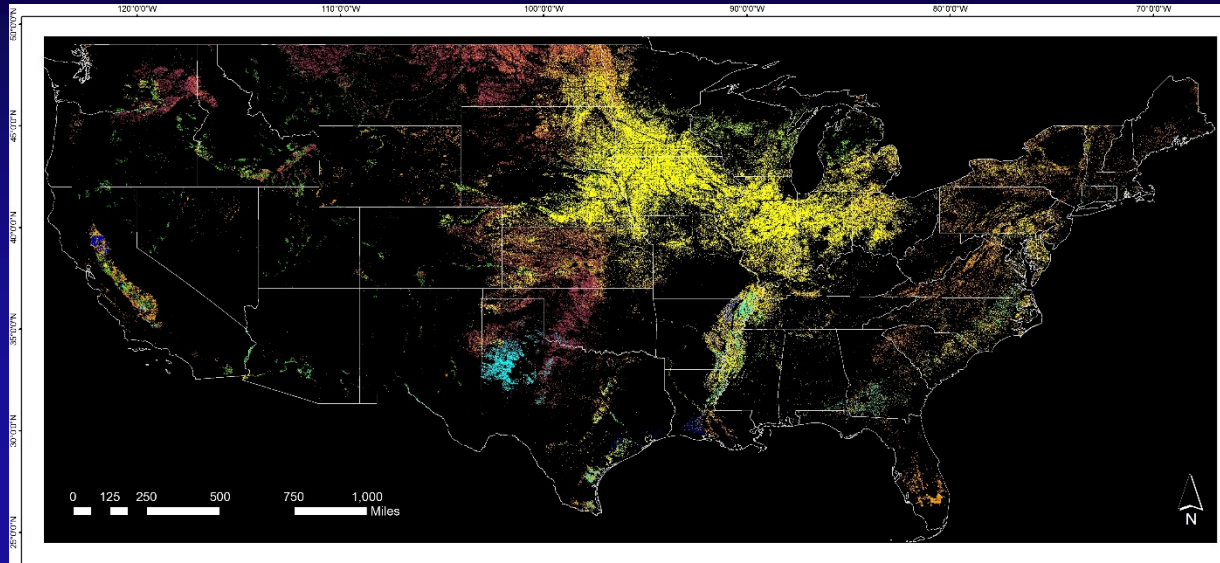
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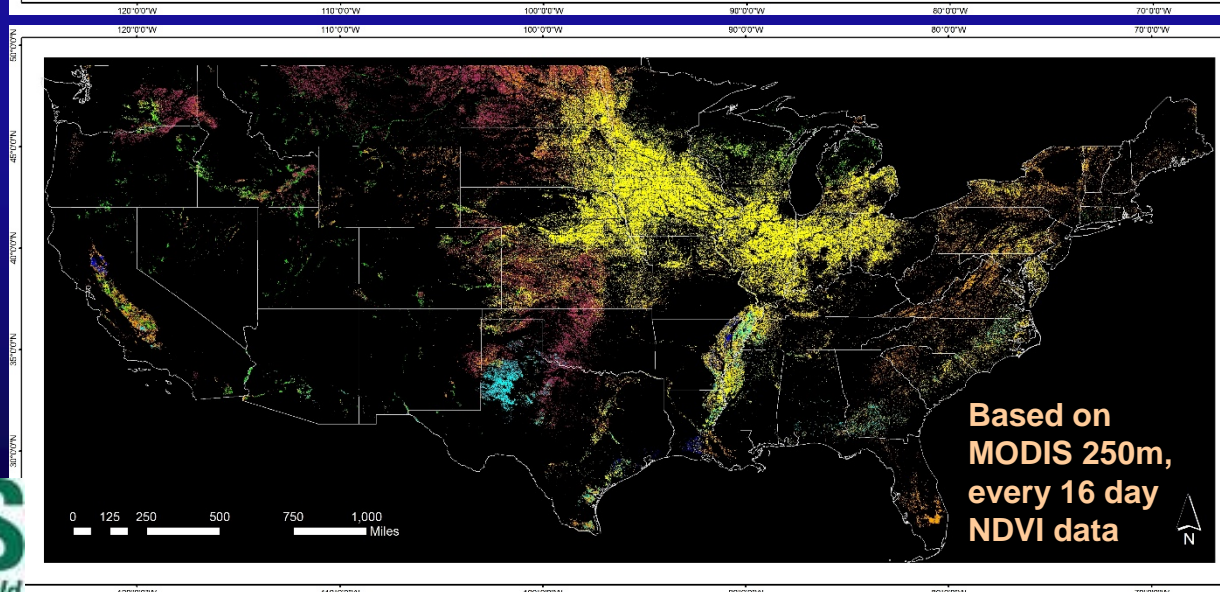
# USA Cropland Product 4 (crop Type) for US: Irrigated + Rainfed Spatial Comparison between

reference USDA CDL product Vs. Rule-based ACCA algorithm derived cropland product

Reference  
USDA CDL  
cropland  
product for  
the year  
2008



Rule-based  
ACCA  
algorithm  
derived  
cropland  
product for  
the year  
2008



Based on  
MODIS 250m,  
every 16 day  
NDVI data



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# USA Cropland Product 4 (crop Type) for US: Irrigated + Rainfed

## Accuracy Assessment Error Matrix between the reference USDA CDL product Vs. Rule-based ACCA algorithm derived cropland product

Year 2008 (Data used: MODIS 250m Every 16-day, NDVI)

	Corn/Soybean	Wheat/Barley	Potato	Alfalfa	Cotton	Rice	Others	Total	User's Acc
Corn/Soybean	13,017,100	475,858	941	157,969	112,601	72,445	521,629	14,358,543	<b>90.66</b>
Wheat/Barley	547,321	4,250,080	11,118	121,223	41,161	535	305,650	5,277,088	<b>80.54</b>
Potato	17,795	15,474	20,842	7,602	77	0	6,647	68,437	<b>30.45</b>
Alfalfa	151,710	132,412	1,464	595,825	2,559	694	84,477	969,141	<b>61.48</b>
Cotton	104,774	44,202	0	2,824	557,616	12,110	80,692	802,218	<b>69.51</b>
Rice	74,360	577	0	547	5,873	137,023	10,377	228,757	<b>59.90</b>
Others	574,915	380,441	7,769	86,696	81,788	8,293	2,415,690	3,555,592	<b>67.94</b>
Total	14,487,975	5,299,044	42,134	972,686	801,675	231,100	3,425,162	25,259,776	
Prod Acc	<b>89.85</b>	<b>80.20</b>	<b>49.47</b>	<b>61.26</b>	<b>69.56</b>	<b>59.29</b>	<b>70.53</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>83.03</b>

Kappa: 0.695212



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**Global Croplands @**  
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**South America**

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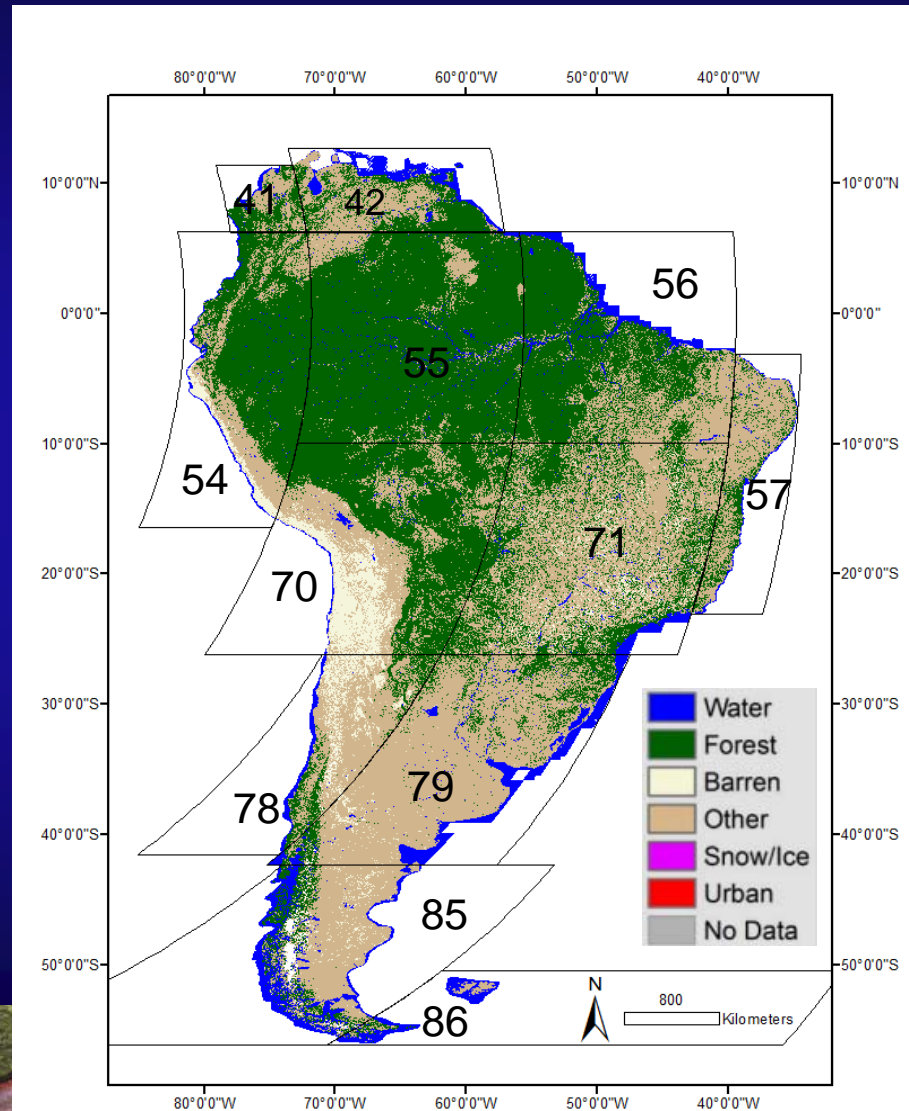


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# Cropland Extent @ 30m Product (GCE30m V1.0) Computed on Google Earth Engine (GEE) using Random Forest Algorithm for South America Seven Broad Zones of South America

- Classifiers trained separately in each zone;
- Facilitates achieving greater accuracies;
- Helps us focus each zone separately to acquire zone specific ground sampling



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Cropland Extent @ 30m Product (GCE30m V1.0) Computed on Google Earth Engine (GEE)  
using Random Forest Algorithm for South America

# Random Forest Training Sample Selection

- Land cover classes:  
Cropland, Fallow, Others
- Homogeneous polygons
- Selection system:
  - a. Random selection
  - b. Manually selection
- Reference data
  - Landsat image
  - Google Earth
  - GCEV1.0 (Teluguntla et al., 2014)
  - 2009 GlobCover (Arino 2012)
  - Time-series Landsat and NDVI composite
  - Ground reference data
    - geo-wiki validation and competition





# Cropland Extent @ 30m Product (GCE30m V1.0) Computed on Google Earth Engine (GEE) using Random Forest Algorithm for South America Random Forest in Google Earth Engine

The screenshot displays the Google Earth Engine (GEE) interface. At the top, the search bar contains "Search places and datasets...". The main workspace is titled "Archive\_1009/Tile42RF" and contains a script with the following code:

```
1 // //Classify Tile 42
2
3 //Load TrainingSamples and ValidateSamples
4 var train = [train_noncrop,train_cropland,train_fallow];
5 var TrainingSamples = ee.FeatureCollection(train);
6
7 var validate = [validate_noncrop,validate_cropland,validate_fallow];
8 var ValidateSamples = ee.FeatureCollection(validate);
9
10 // //Load Landsat Tiles
11 Map.addLayer(Landsat)
12
13 // //create classification extent mask
```

The right-hand side of the interface shows the "Inspector" panel with a list of layers: "Tile42", "Tile42", and "Tile57". The "Console" and "Tasks" tabs are also visible.

The main map area shows a satellite view of South America with a red overlay representing the cropland extent. The map includes a "Layers" panel, "Map", and "Satellite" buttons.

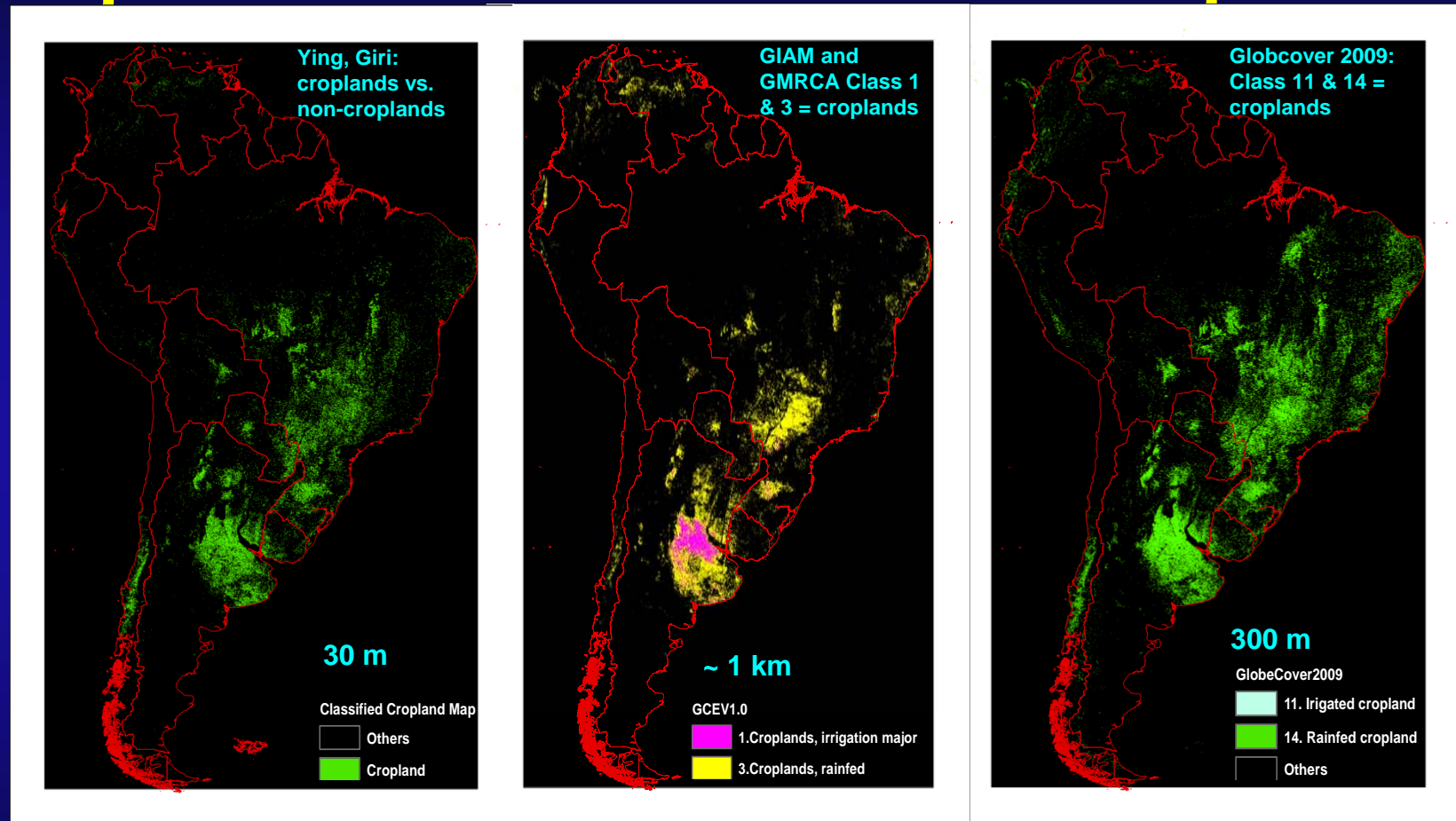


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# Cropland Extent @ 30m Product (GCE30m V1.0) Computed on Google Earth Engine (GEE) using Random Forest Algorithm for South America

## Croplands of South America: Comparisons



Landsat 30 m, Random Forest, Google Earth Engine, nominal 2010 (Ying, Giri, upcoming)

Multi-sensor ~1 km, Spectral Matching Technique, nominal 2000 (Thenkabail et al., 2009, 2011, 2012)

MERIS 300m, Multiple algorithms, nominal 2005\2006 (Arino et al., 2009)



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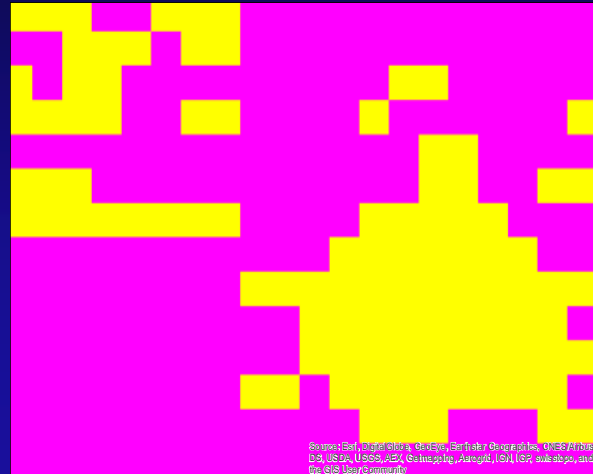
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## Cropland Extent Product @ 30 m (GCE30m V1.0) of S. America using Random Forest Algorithm

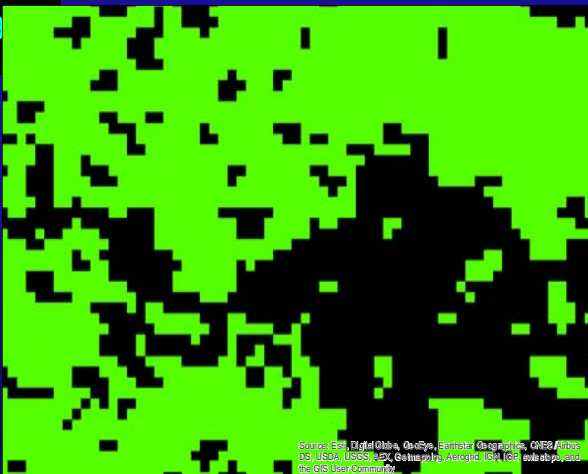
Sub-meter to 5 meter imagery



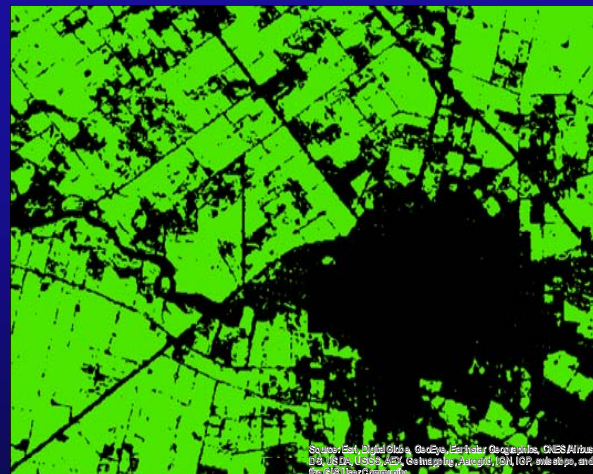
GCEV 1.0, 1 km



GlobCover2009 300m



Classified, 30m



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# Remote Sensing of Global Croplands for Food Security

## Data, Products, Algorithms, Documentations, Manuscripts

1. Global food security support-analysis data @ 30 m (GFSAD30) web site

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2. Croplands.org for data browsing

<https://www.croplands.org/>

3. LP DAAC data and products on global croplands

<http://geography.wr.usgs.gov/science/croplands/products.html#LPDAAC>

4. Google Earth Engine (GEE) global croplands

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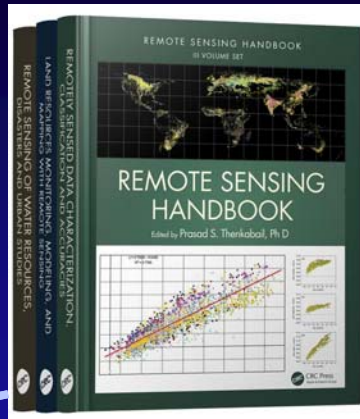


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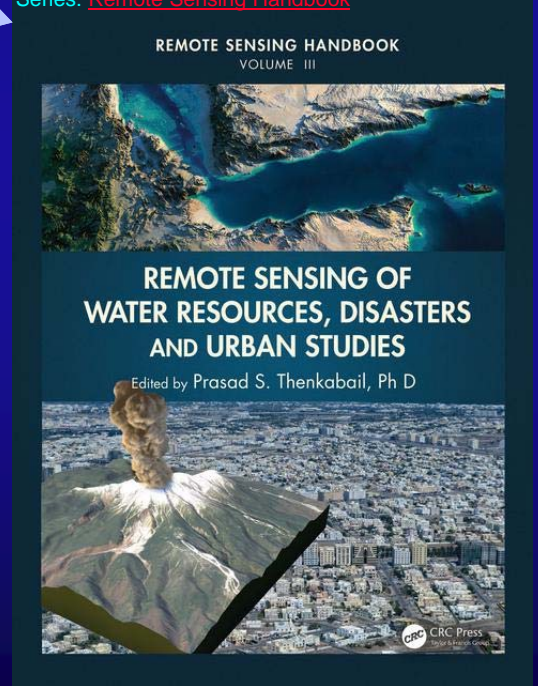
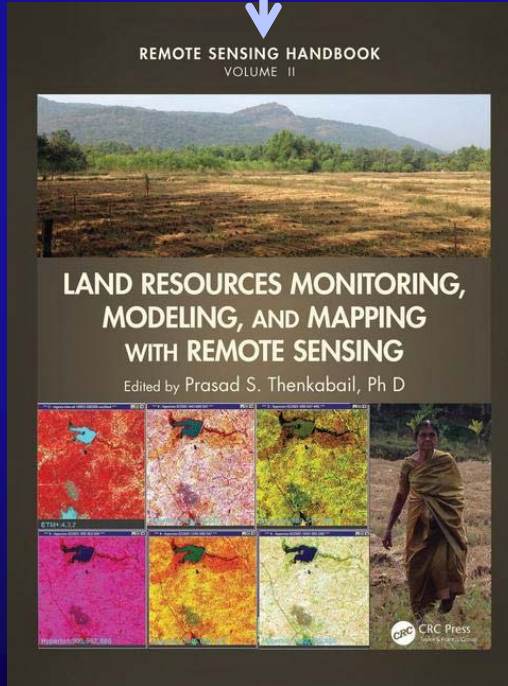
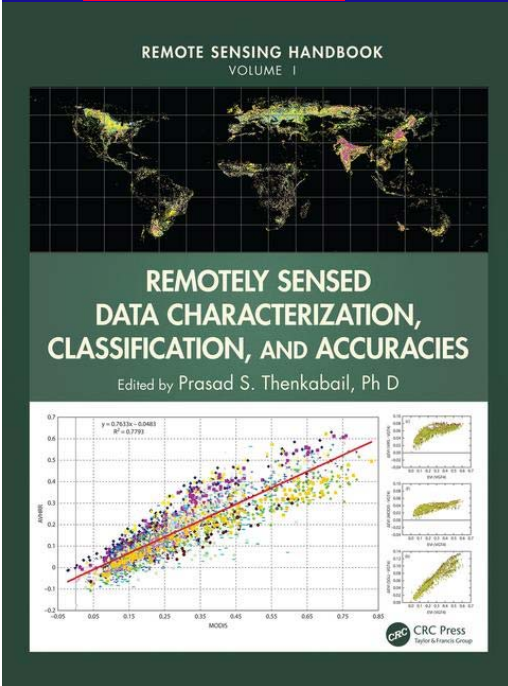
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