

GIS concepts and applications

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INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHIC | C | M O D INFORMATION SYSTEMS

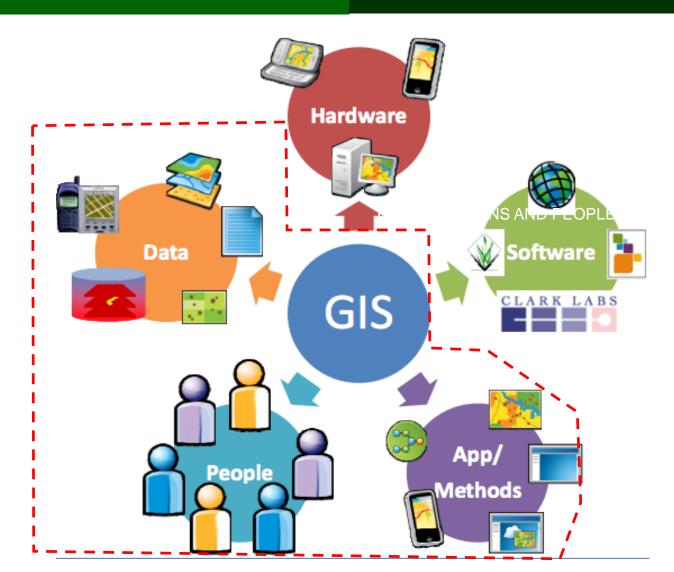


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What is GIS?

An organized integration of

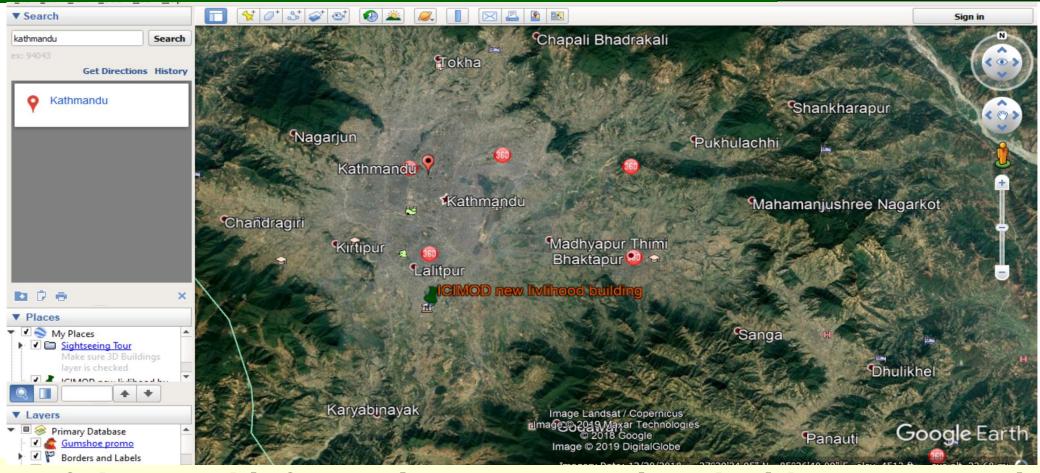
- > Hardware
- ➤ Software and
- ➤ Geographic system



GEOGRAPHIC-Location ICIMOD



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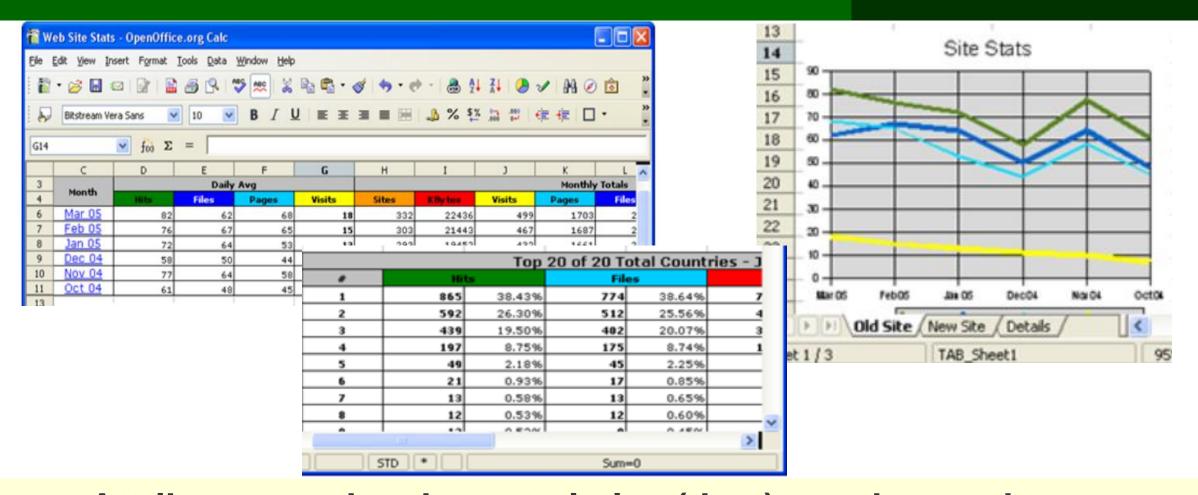


Majority of data and information are associated with some location in space or referenced to the locations on the earth

INFORMATION- Attributes



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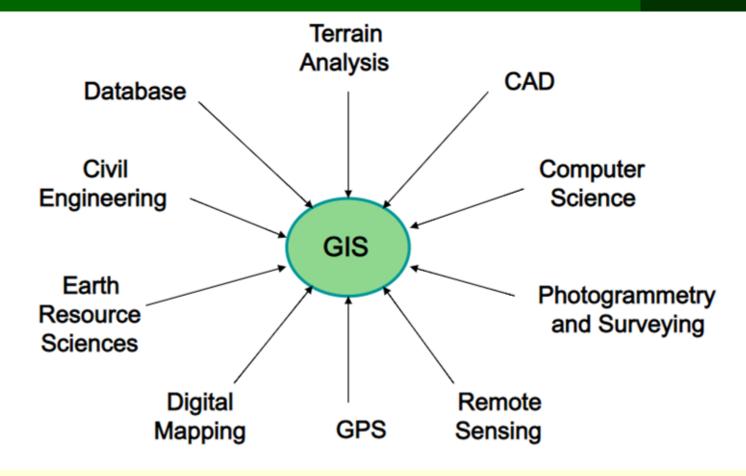


Attributes, or the characteristics (data), can be used to symbolize and provide further insight into a given location

SYSTEM- Manipulation



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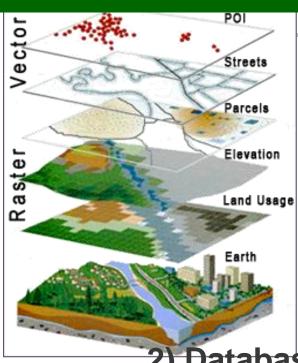


A seamless operation linking the information to the geography – which requires hardware, networks, software, data, and operational procedures

Functions of GIS

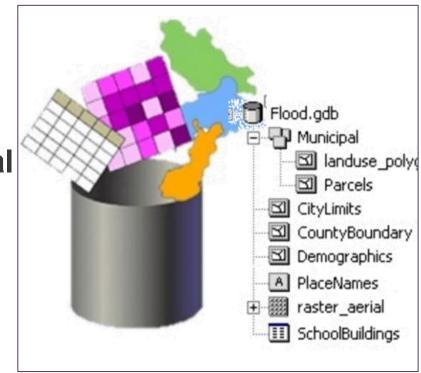


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1) Data Acquisition and Preprocessing

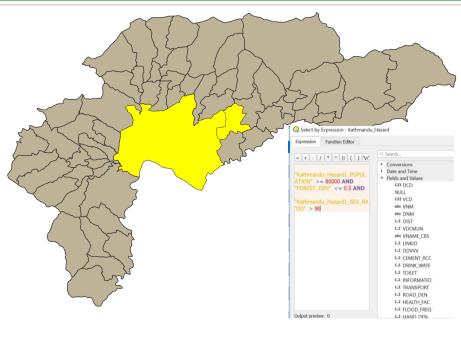
- ➤ Digitization
- **≻**Editing
- **≻**Topology
- **≻**Projection
- > Format conversion etc.
- 2) Database Management, Update and Retrieval
 - Data retrieval
- ➤ Updation
- ➤ Maintenance
- > Security and, Integration



Functions of GIS



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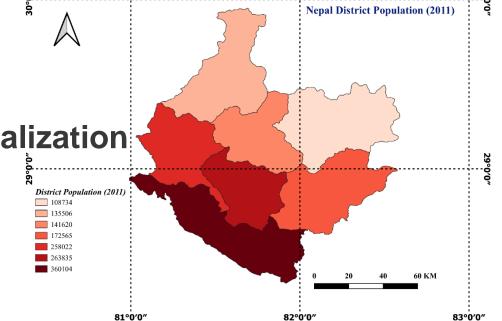
3) Spatial Modeling, Measurement and Analysis

- > Hierarchical modelling
- Network modelling
- > Relational modelling
- > Attribute query etc.



4) Presenting Results – Graphical output and Visualization

- ➤ Scale transformation
- ➤ Generalization, Map
- > Statistical representation etc.



Fundamental Data types



1) Spatial Data

Objects or elements that are present in a geographical space or horizon

- ➤ Map
- **≻**Image

2) Non-Spatial Data

Not involving Space - Describes the quantitative or qualitative characteristic of spatial features

For example, area, length & population

Spatial data can be mapped and usually stored as coordinate and topology

Fundamental Data types

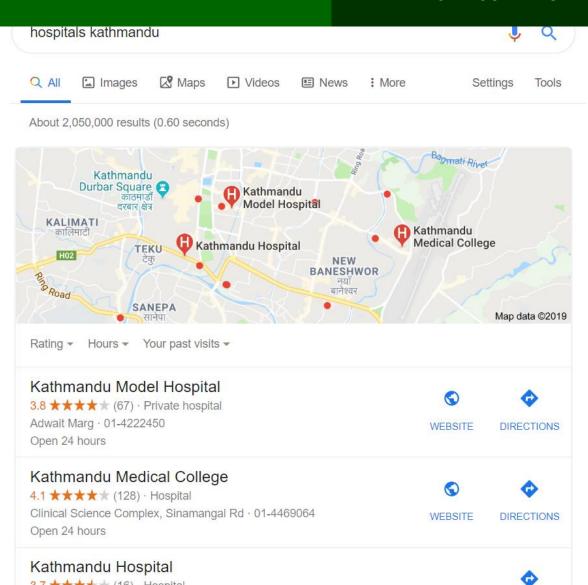


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Spatial Information







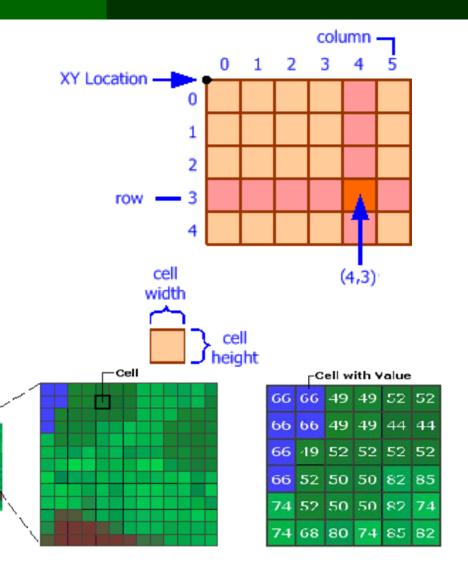


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Spatial Data Models

(1) Raster

- ➤ Defines space as an array of **equally sized cells** arranged in **rows and columns**. Each cell contains an **attribute value** and **location coordinates**
- > The spatial resolution is determined by the size of the cell
- ➤ Data values for a given parameter are stored in each cell these values may represent an elevation in meters above sea level, a land use class, a plant biomass in grams parameter, and so forth

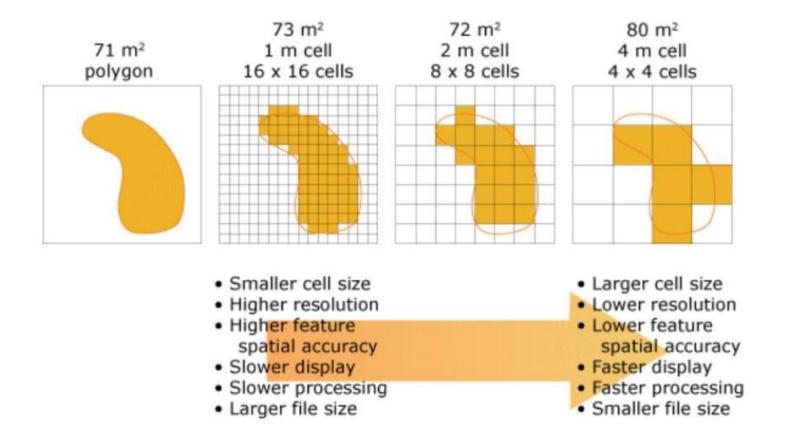






Structure of raster data model showing the matrix structure into row and column of the cells

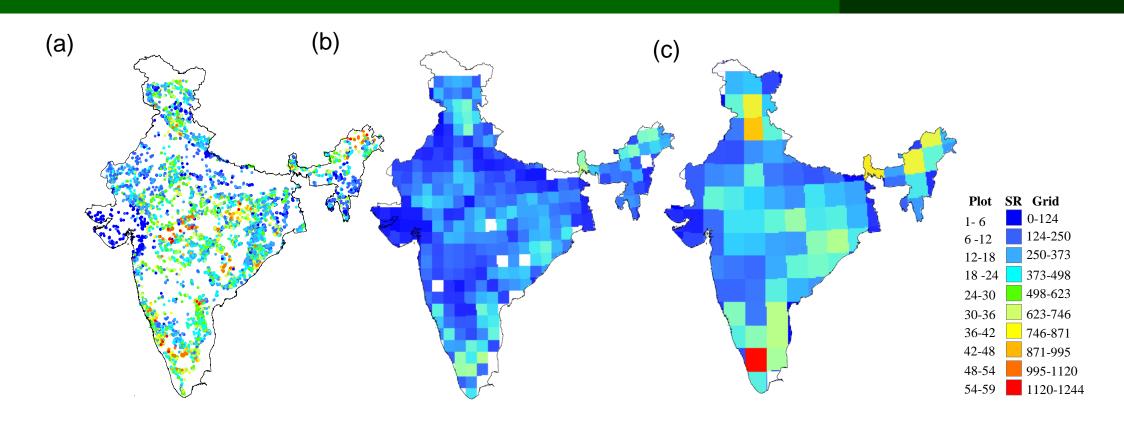




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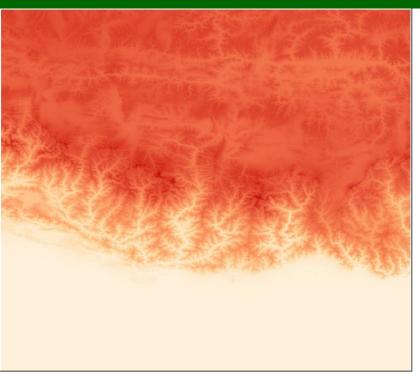


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Plant species distribution in Indian mainland (a) plot level (0.04hac), (b)1 degree grid, (c) 2 degree grid





Two forms of raster data

- 1) Continuous Raster
- Numeric values ranges smoothly from
 - one location to another

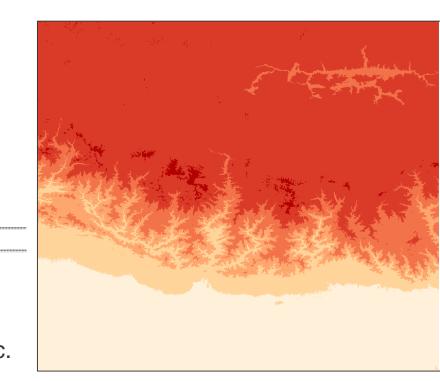
e.g. DEM, temperature etc.

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2) Discrete Raster

➤ Relative few possible values to repeat themselves in adjacent cells.

e.g. Soil type, Land use land cover type etc.

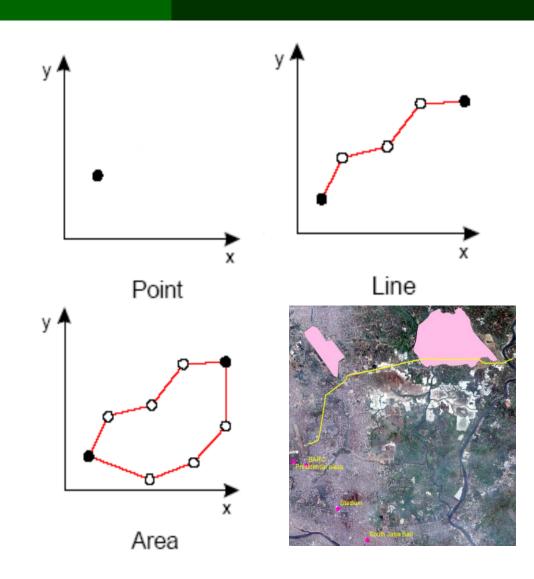




Spatial Data Models

(2) Vector

- Objects are represented as Points, Lines or Polygon
- ➤ The position of each object is defined by a (series of) coordinate pairs
- A point is described by a single X-Y coordinate pair and by its name or label e.g. buildings, trees etc.
- ➤ A line is described by a set of coordinate pairs and by its name and label e.g. streams, streets, sewers
- An area, also called a Polygon, is described by a set of a coordinate pairs and by its name and label, with the difference that the coordinate pairs at the beginning and the end are same .e.g. Land parcels, cities, countries, forest, rock type etc.





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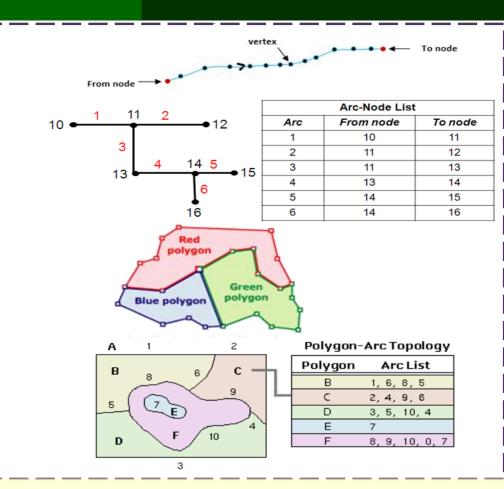
Topological property of vector data model

Connectivity: Information about linkages among spatial objects.

Arc node topology supported through an arc-node list. For each arc in the list there is a from node and a to node. Connected arcs are determined by common node numbers

Contiguity: Polygons share a common arc. Contiguity allows the vector data model to determine adjacency

Containment: Geographic features cover distinguishable area on the surface of the earth. An area is represented by one or more boundaries defining a polygon

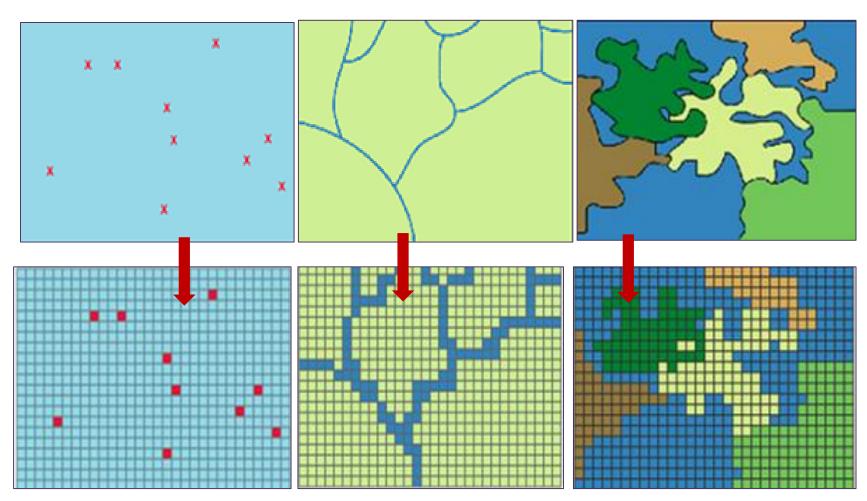


Set of rules that model the relationships between neighboring points, lines, and polygons and determines how they share geometry

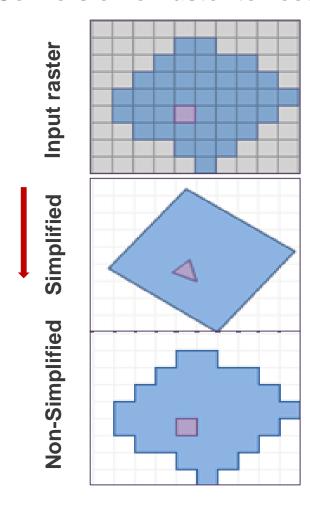


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Conversion of vector to rater



Conversion of raster to vector





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		Raster	Vector	
Data structure	4)	Simple	Complex	Di
Overlaying	Advantage	Easy and efficient	Difficult to perform	sad
Compatible with RS imagery	ant	Yes	No	l Va
High spatial variability	γþ	Efficient representation	In-efficient representation	nta
Programming by user	٩	Yes	Complex	ge
Compact data structure	(I)	No	Yes	
Efficient encoding of topology	isadvantage	No	Yes	Adv
Easy editing	an	No	Yes	/an
Network analysis	βqΛ	In-efficient	Efficient	itag
Map output		Less accurate	Accurate	ge
Projection transformation	۵	In-efficient	Efficient	



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Raster data file format

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American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII)	.asc		
Hierarchical Data Format	.hdf	Ĭ	/
Network Common Data Form (NetCDF)	.nc		S

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Vector data file format

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/ECTOR File format Shape files Lines.dbf Points.shp Lines.shp Polygons.shp Lines.shx Keyhole Markup Language (KML) FireStations.kmz Layer Rivers.lyr geodatabase.gdb File Geodatabase Feature Relationship ব্রী coverage **ArcInfo Coverage** 🛨 arc 1 label polygon region.area E00 ArcInfo Interchange polygon.e00

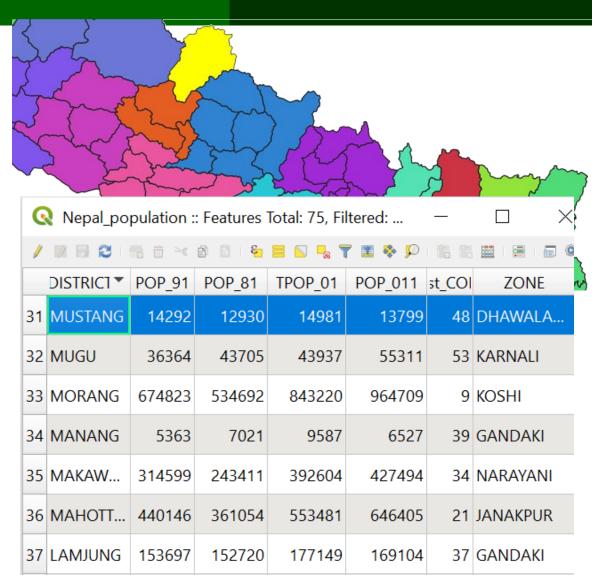
Non-Spatial Data



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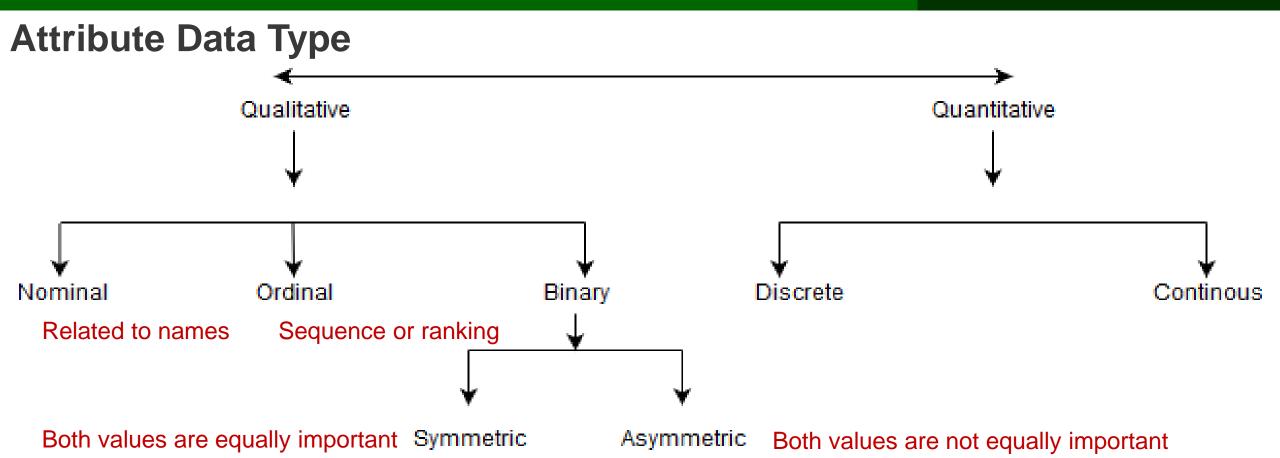
Attribute Data

- Commonly arranged in tables where a row is equivalent to one entity and a column is equivalent to one attribute, or descriptor, of that entity
- Typically, each row relates to a single
 object and a geospatial data model
- Usually each object will have multiple
 attributes that describe the object



Non-Spatial Data





•Date: This data type stores dates and times in the format as 'mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm:ss'

GIS data capture and update of ICIMOD **Vector feature**



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1	Raster		Vector
	Digital Remote sensing images	lary	GPS measurements
	Digital Aerial photographs	Primary	Survey measurements
1	Scanned Maps	econdary	Topographic surveys
5	DEM from Images	Seco	Toponymy data from atlases



- > LULC
- Crop types
- Census
- Biomass



GIS data capture and update of ICIMOD vector features



Digitization: Process of converting geographic data into vector data by tracing the features from a hardcopy, digital or a scanned image

a) Manual

(i) Tablet Digitization

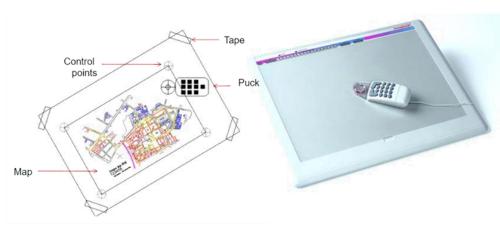
- ➤ Uses hard copy maps in GIS
- ➤ Involves placing a digitizing puck (a multiple button mouse) over a location on the tablet and presses one of the buttons on the puck to record the location of the feature of interest

(ii) On-screen Digitization

User generates vector data on desktop GIS by clicking on features that defines the entity

b) Automated digitization

Scanning and vectorization





Digitalization Errors



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(1) Dangles: Lines that are not connected

(2) Overshoots: Overextended line

(3) Undershoots: Gap exists between two

intersecting line

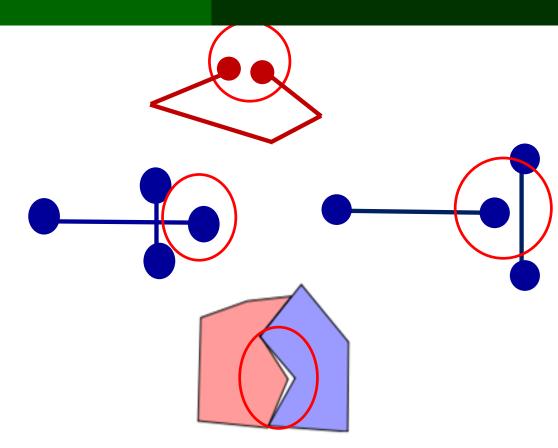
(4) Slivers: Gaps between two adjoining

polygons

(5) Switchbacks, Knots, and Loops:

Digitized line with extra vertices and/or nodes

due to unsteady hand of the digitizer





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A reference system to represent the locations of geographic features

Each coordinate system is defined by:

> Measurement framework

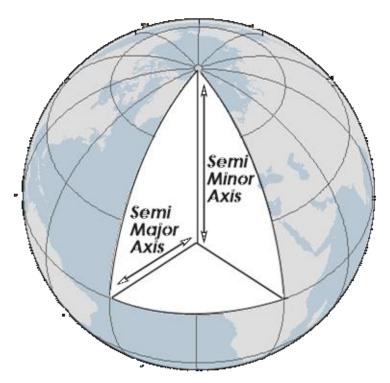
Geographic: Spherical coordinates are measured from the earth's

center

Planimetric: Earth's coordinates are projected onto a two-

dimensional planar surface

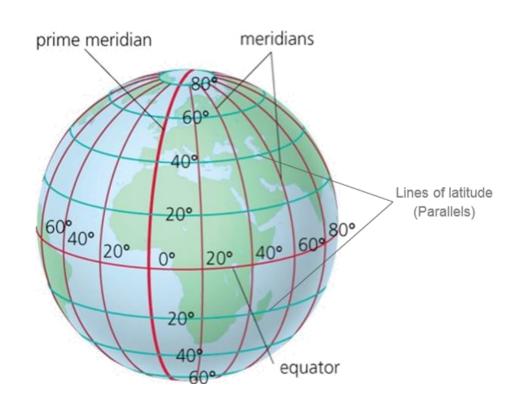
- **➤ Unit of measurement**
- ➤ Other measurement system properties such as a spheroid of reference, a datum, and projection parameters like one or more standard parallels, a central meridian, and possible shifts in the x- Representation of globe showing parallels and meridians lines and y-directions





Geographic Coordinate System (GCS)

- Three-dimensional spherical surface to define locations on the earth
- A point is referenced by its longitude and latitude values that are the angles measured from the earth's center to a point on the earth's surface
- Vertical lines (north-south) are the lines of longitude, or meridians
- Horizontal lines (East–West) are the lines of equal latitude,
 or parallels



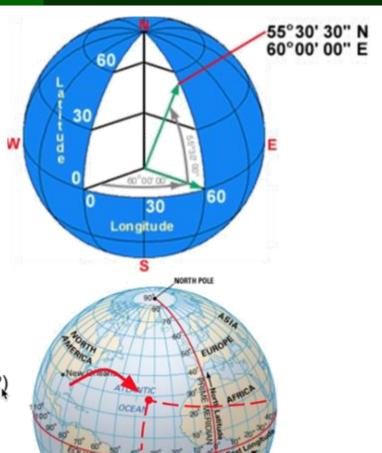


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Origin (0°,0°)

Geographic Coordinate System (GCS)

- The line of latitude midway between the poles is called the equator
- The **prime meridian (zero longitude)** is the longitude that passes through Greenwich, England
- The origin of the graticule (0, 0) is defined by where the equator and prime meridian intersect
- Coordinate value can be specified in **DMS**(degree, minutes, seconds) or **DD** (degree decimel)
- Directions can be specified using E (east), W (west), N(north),
 S(south) or by sign plus (+) or minus (-)

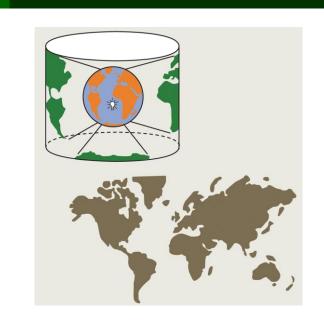


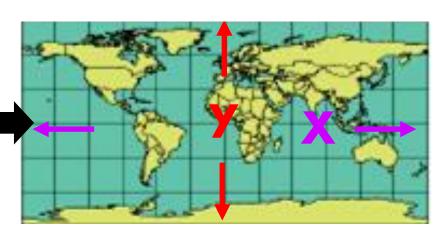


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Projected Coordinate System (PCS)

- ➤ PCS is a reference system for transforming the spherical three-dimensional earth into two-dimensional planar surfaces
- ➤ Measuring features on a flat (map) surface
- ➤ PCS has constant lengths, angles, and areas across
 - the two dimensions
- Locations are identified by planar x, y co a grid, with the origin at the center of the
- The two values are called the x-coordinate and y-





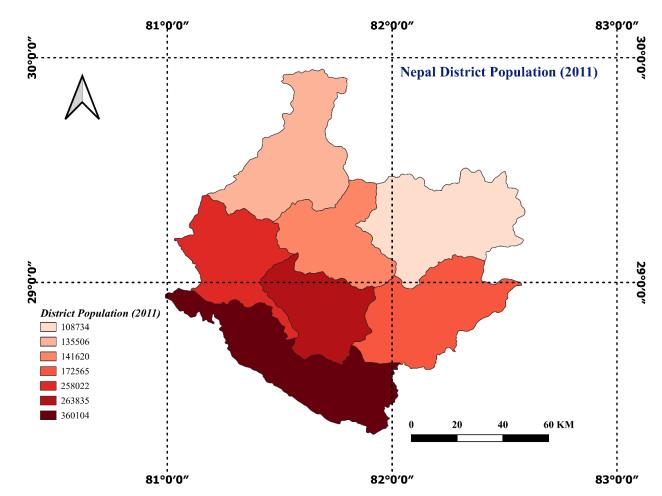
Map Production



Process of arranging Map elements on a sheet of paper

Properties

- Data frame
- > Title
- Legends
- Scale
- North Arrow
- Co-ordinates

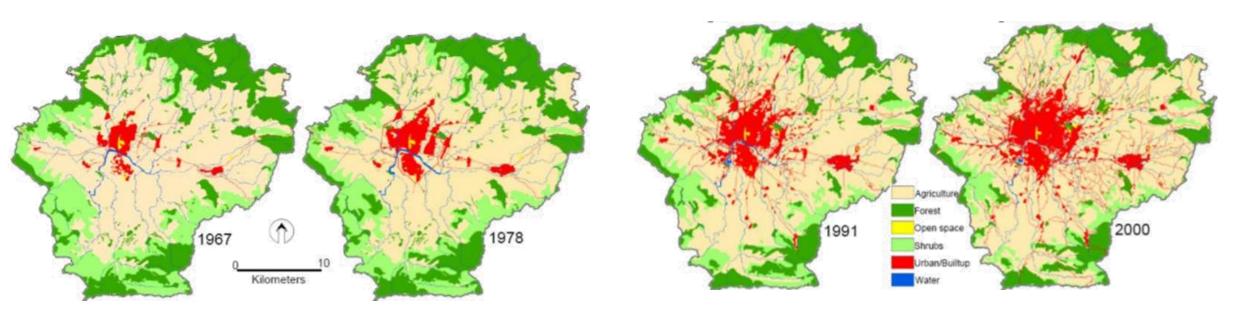




- Mapping and monitoring
- Environmental Impact Analysis
- Biodiversity Assessment
- Agricultural Applications
- > Fire Risk Modelling
- Disaster Management and Mitigation
- Hazard and risk modelling
- GIS for Planning and Community Development etc.



Mapping and monitoring Urban Growth

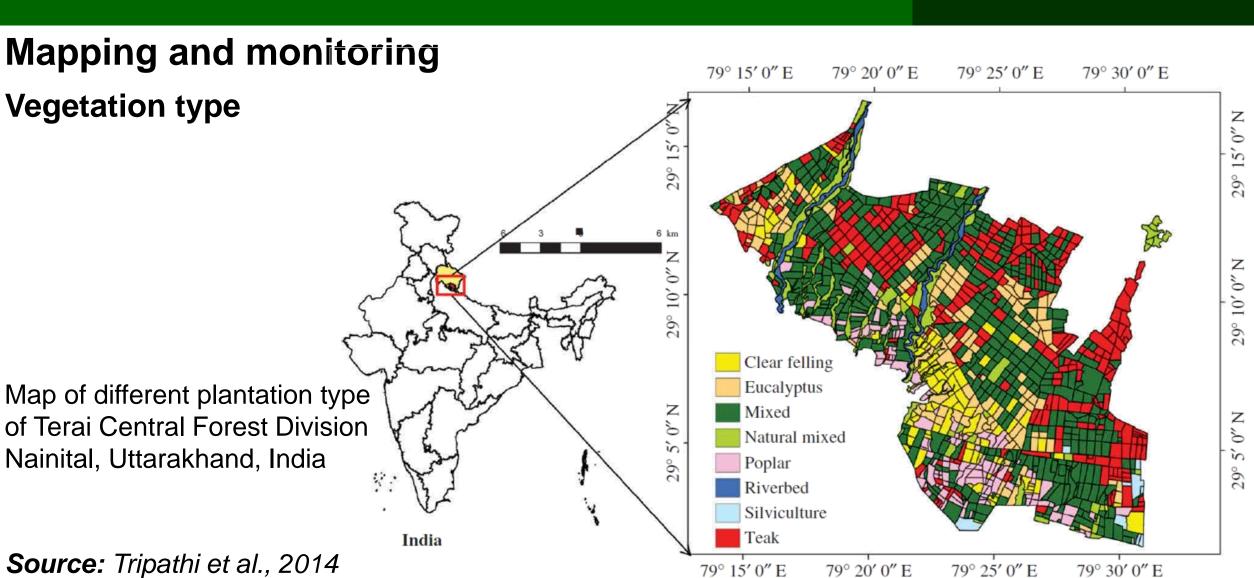


Land use maps of Kathmandu Valley, 1967-2000

Source: Thapa and Murayama, 2008



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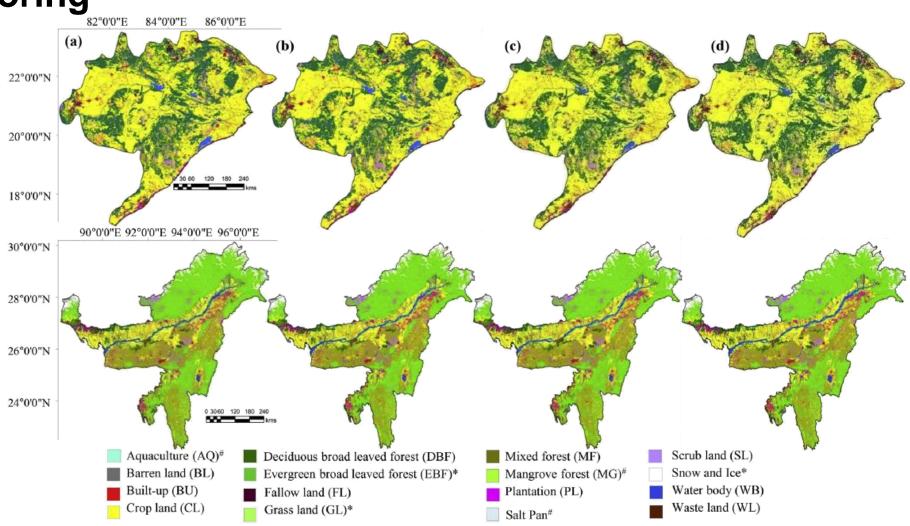


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Mapping and monitoring

Land use land cover

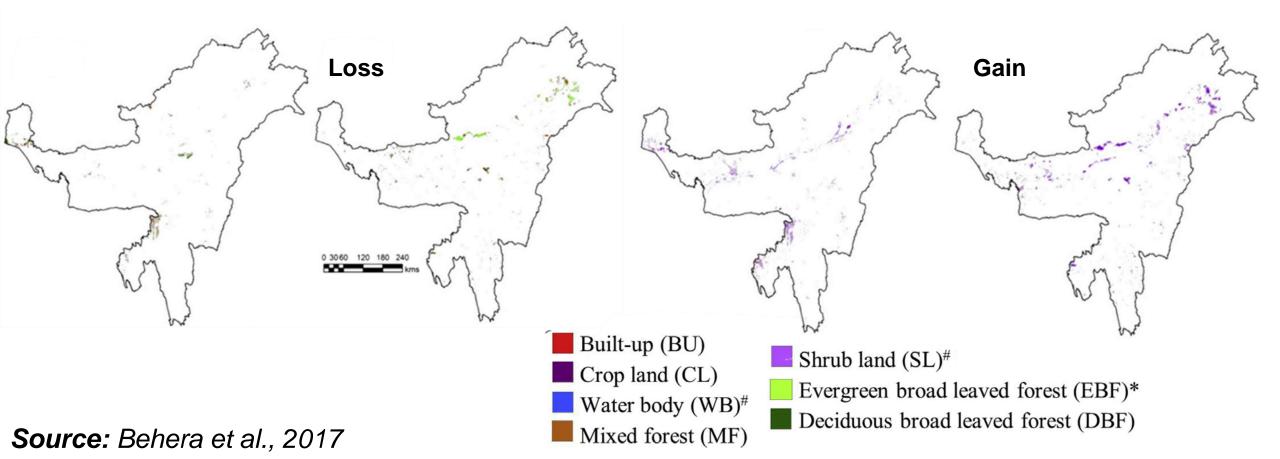
Classified LULC map of Mahanadi and Brahmaputra river basins for the year (a) 1985 (b) 1995 (c) 2005; and (d) predicted- 2005



Source: Behera et al., 2017



Mapping and monitoring Change dynamics





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Fire risk modeling

Equation used for modelling

FRI = 10LCR + 6TR + 4(SDR + RDR) + 2(ER + SLR)

LCR: land cover rating

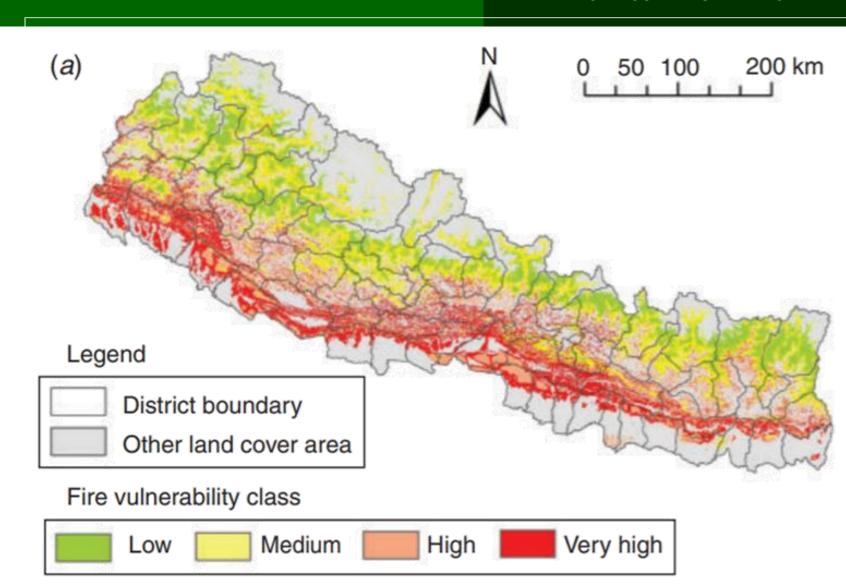
TR: temperature rating

SDR: settlement distance rating

RDR: road distance rating

ER: elevation rating

SLR :slope rating



Source: Matin et al., 2017

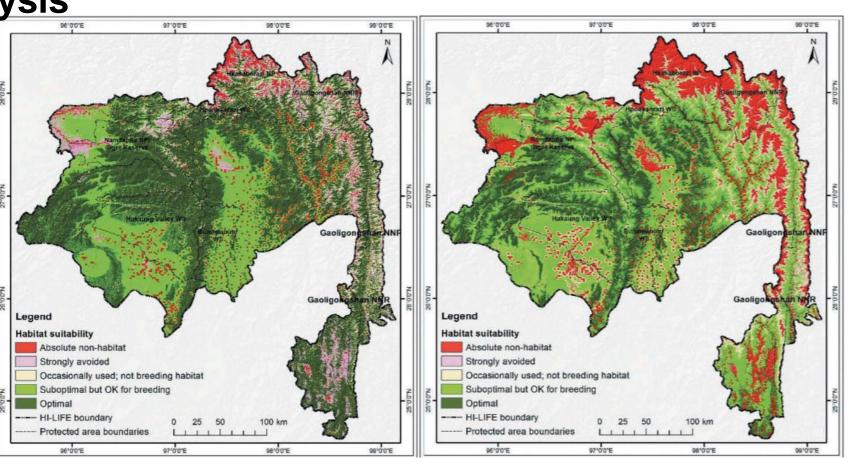


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Habitat Suitability Analysis

- Suitability scores assigned to each of the factors (e.g., land cover types, topographic position classes) paying particular attention to the suitability
- A numerical **weighting factor** was assigned to each thematic layer according to the relative importance of habitat suitability.

Source: Uddin et al., 2019



Himalayan black bear

Leaf dear



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Risk & Hazard Analysis

Flood susceptibility analysis

(Markham river basin, New Guinea)

Equation used for modelling

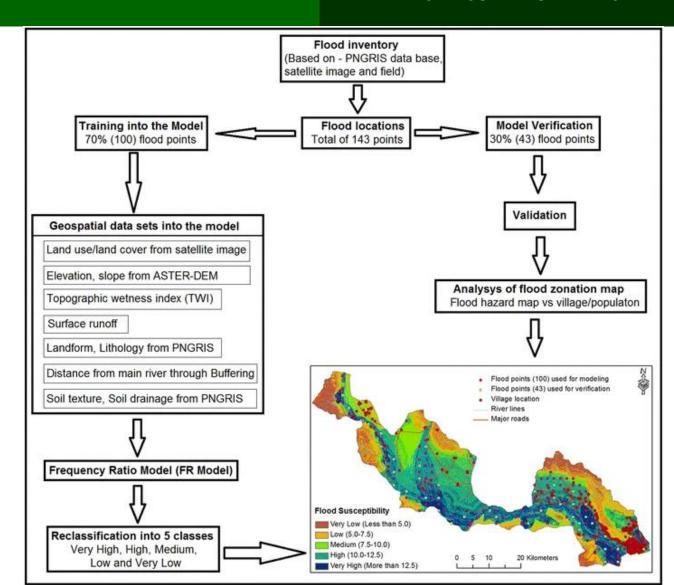
$$FSI = \sum FR$$
,

where FSI is the flood susceptibility index and FR is the frequency ratio for each factor.

$$FR = (E/F)/(M/L),$$

where E is the number of flood episodes for each factor; F is the total number of flood episodes; M is the histogram of a class; L is the total histogram of the study area.

Source: Samanta et al., 2018





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Risk & Hazard Analysis

Landslide susceptibility analysis

 $W_i = ln \frac{Density \ of \ landslide \ within \ a \ class \ of \ a \ factor}{Density \ of \ landslide \ within \ the \ study \ area}$

$$= ln \frac{\frac{Npix_{(Si)}}{Npix_{(Ni)}}}{\frac{\sum Npix_{(Si)}}{\sum Npix_{(Ni)}}}$$

Where, W_i = Weight of a factor class;

 $Npix_{(Si)} = Number of pixel of landslide within class i;$

Npix (Ni) = Number of pixel of class i;

 $\Sigma \text{Npix}_{(Si)} = \text{Number of Pixel of landslide within the whole study area}$;

 $\Sigma \text{Npix}_{(\text{Ni})}$ = Number of pixel of the whole study area.

Class	LSI value	Description	Area in Square Kilometers	% Area of Map
1	-14.1493 to -9	Very Low	23.5449	1.81
2	-9 to -4	Low	330.9489	25.41
3	-4 to 0	Medium	602.1585	46.23
4	0 to 3	High	326.8251	25.09
5	3 to 8.5718	Very High	18.9441	1.45

Landslide Susceptibility Index Map Landslide Susceptibility Class Medium Class Very Low High Low Very High

Source: Bibek et al., 2015



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 $BR = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (DI_i \times wt_{ii} + TC_i \times wt_{i2} + SR_i \times wt_{i3} + BV_i \times wt_{i4} + EU_i \times wt_{i5})$

where BR = Biological Richness, DI = Disturbance Index, TC = Terrain Complexity, SR = Species Richness, BV = Biodiversity Value, EU = Ecosystem Uniqueness, and wt = Weights.

