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Mapping the World's Croplands @ nominal 30-m from Multi-sensor Remote Sensing



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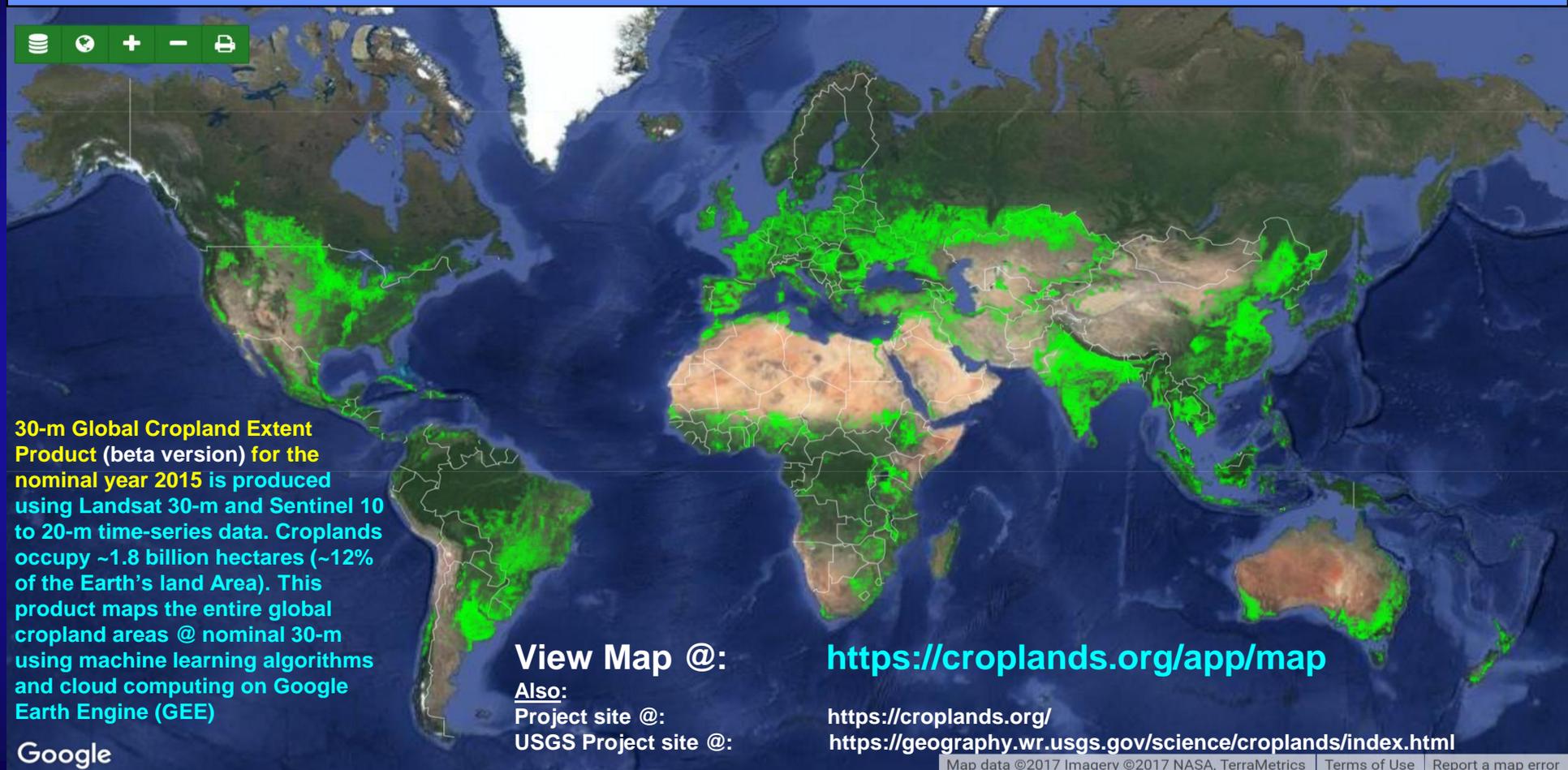
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World's First 30-m Global Cropland Extent Product (β Version)



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Food for the Thought

“Agriculture is our wisest pursuit, because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good morals, and happiness” - Thomas Jefferson

“When the well is dry, we learn the worth of water” - Benjamin Franklin

“Food is the moral right of all who are born into this world” - Norman Borlaug

Agriculture

Water

Food Security



GFSAD30 Project: Background

1. Global Croplands

<http://geography.wr.usgs.gov/science/croplands/index.html>

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Cropland Area Expansion in Human History

Till the early 1900 AD only ~2% global land areas was under agriculture, in last 100 years we have added an additional 10%

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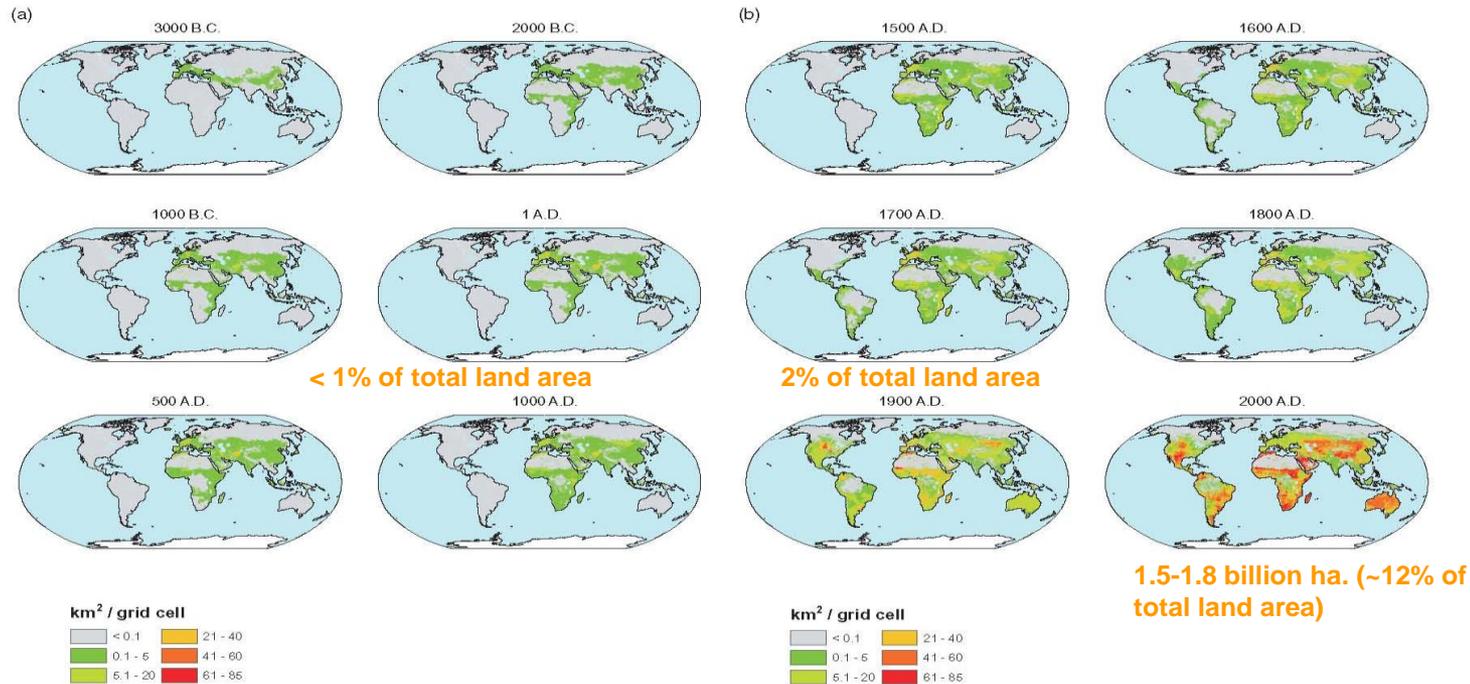


Figure 2 Historical pasture area (a) 3000 BC to AD 1000 and (b) AD 1500–2000.

HYDE 3.1 Holocene land use

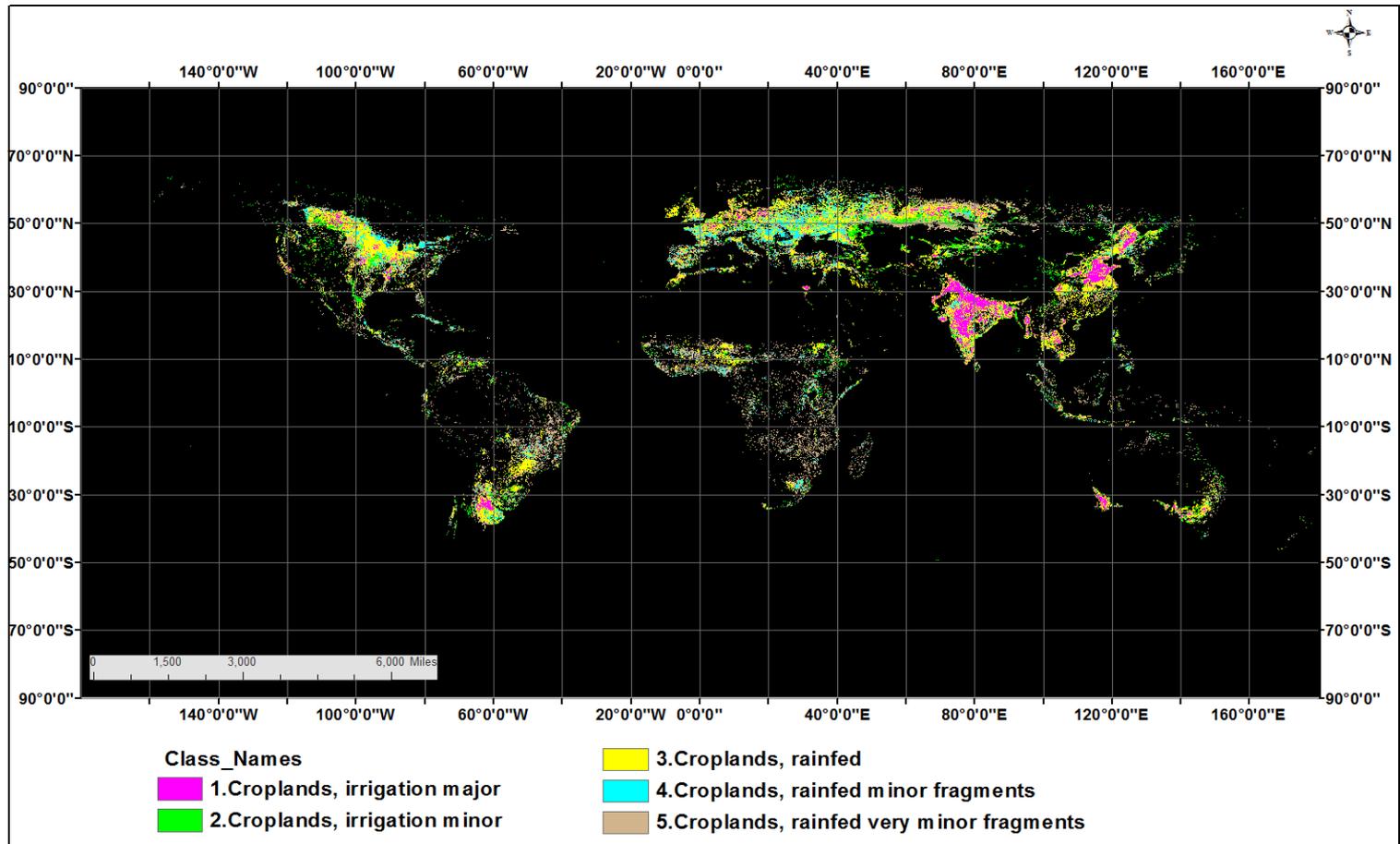
Goldewijk et al., 2011

Settled agriculture = 23,000 years
Irrigated agriculture = 10,000 years



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Cropland Area: Best Synthesis, Current Status as of Nominal Year 2015



~1.8 billion hectares of croplands as of 2015, with 34% irrigated and 66% rainfed



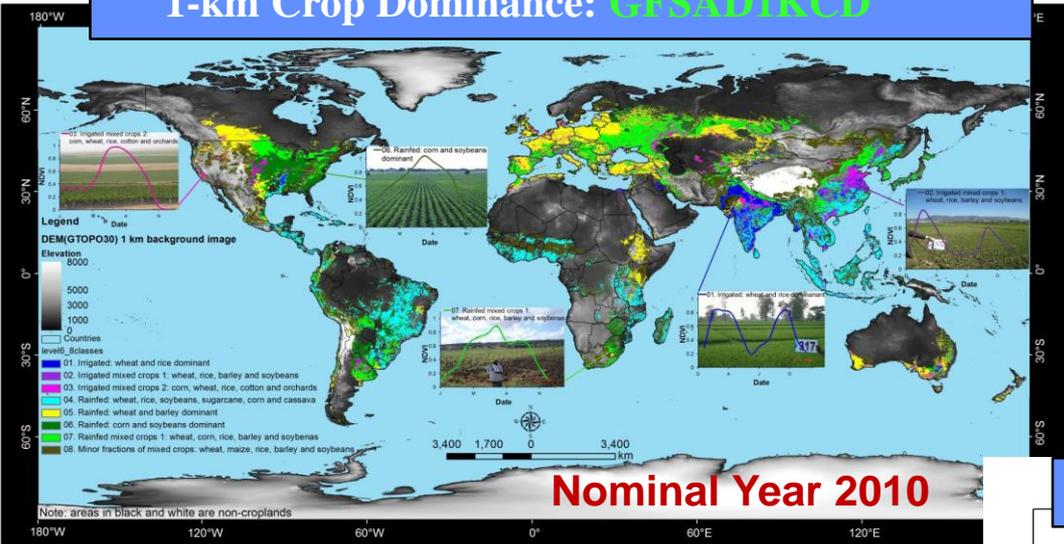
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Global Croplands @ 1-km: Best Synthesis for Nominal Year 2010

1-km Crop Dominance: GFSAD1KCD



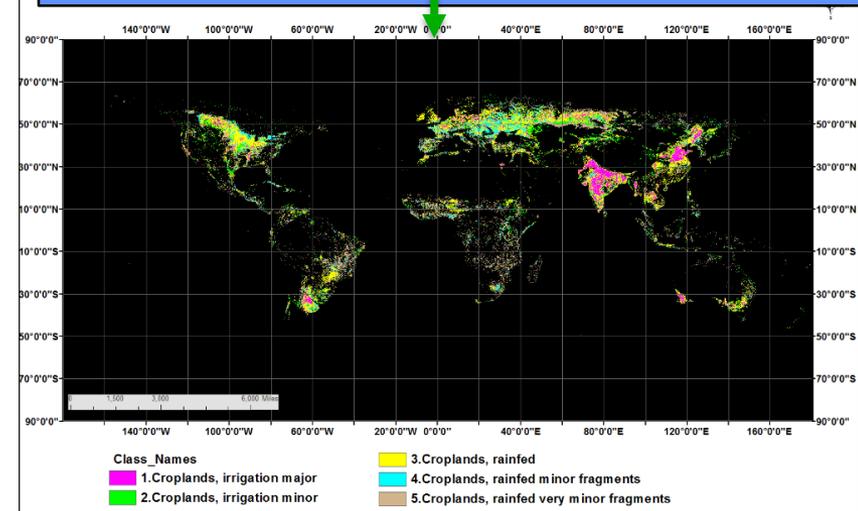
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1-km Crop Mask: GFSAD1KCM



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<https://geography.wr.usgs.gov/science/croplands/products.html>



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Note: Globally, there is ~1.8 billion hectares of croplands as of nominal Years 2010, with 34% irrigated and 66% rained

DATA ACCESS through LP DAAC

The GFSAD1KCD and GFSAD1KCM datasets are available through the Land Processes Distributed Active Archive Center (LP DAAC).

- 1. The GFSAD1KCD dataset landing page including data access and further information can be found at:**
- 2. The GFSAD1KCM dataset landing page including data access and further information can be found at:**

Data Pool:

<https://e4ftl01.cr.usgs.gov/GFSAD/>

Reverb|ECHO:

<https://e4ftl01.cr.usgs.gov/GFSAD/>

NASA Earthdata Search Client:

<https://search.earthdata.nasa.gov/search?q=GFSAD&ok=GFSAD>

ALSO:

GFSAD data visualization and information can also be found at Global Croplands:

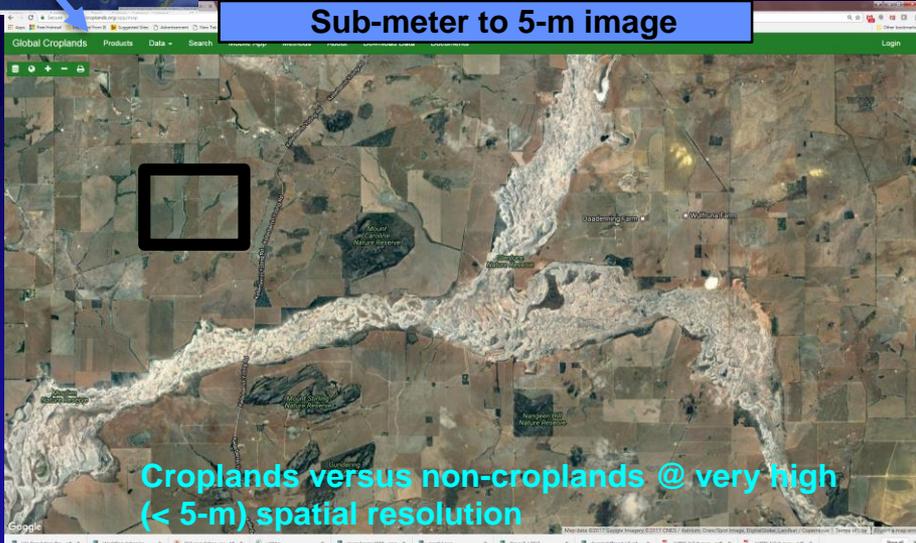
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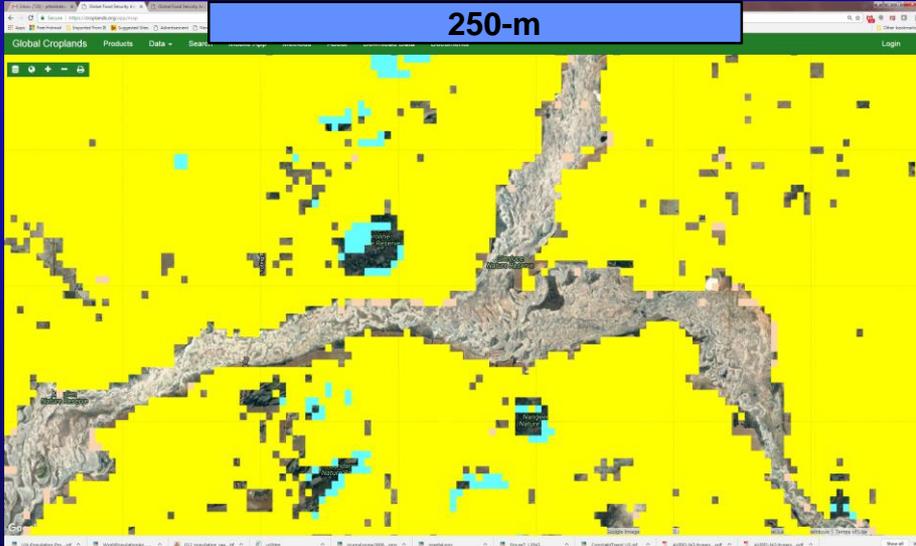


1-km



Significant non-croplands get mapped as croplands

250-m



Some of the minor non-cropland fractions get separated from croplands

30-m

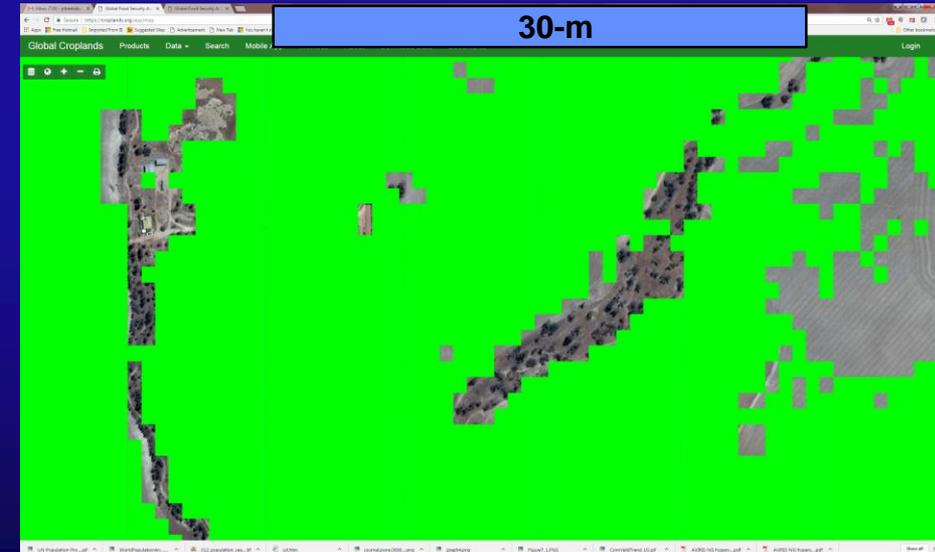
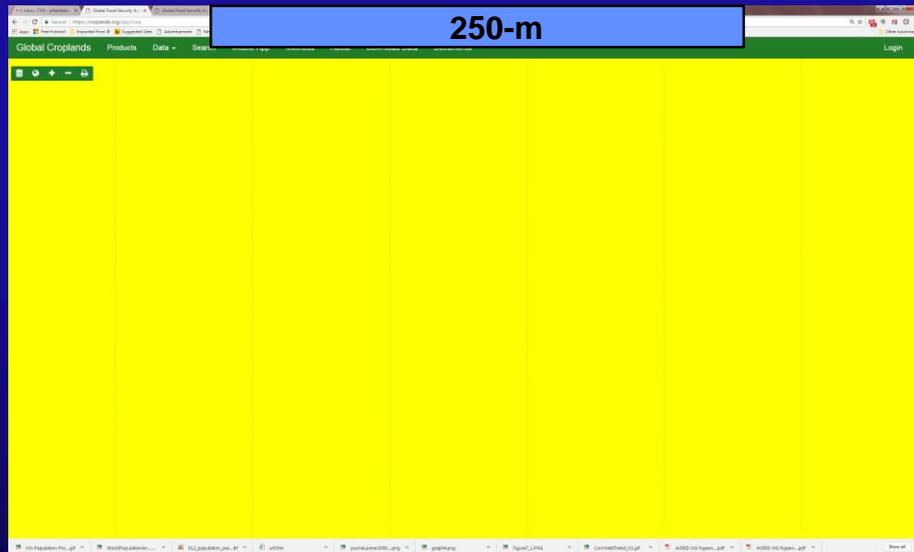
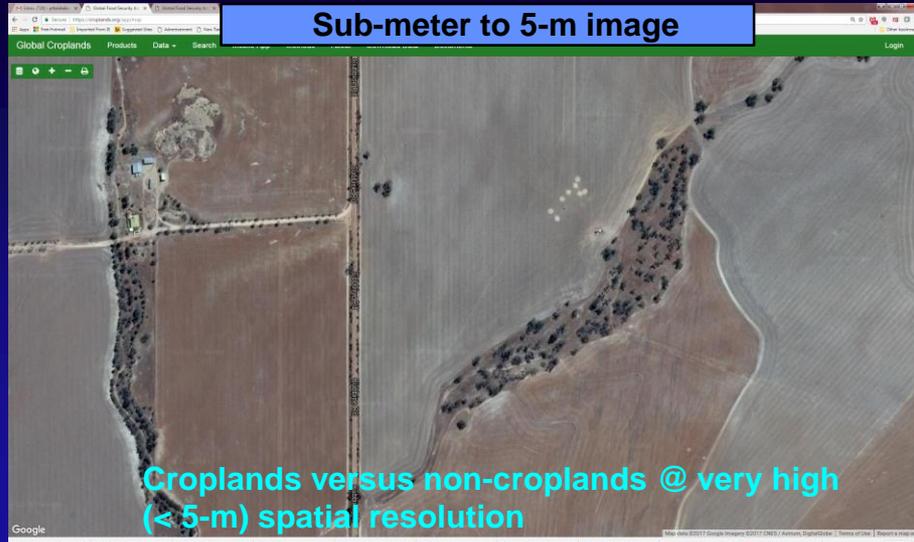


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GFSAD30 Project: Background

2. Global Crop Yield and Productivity

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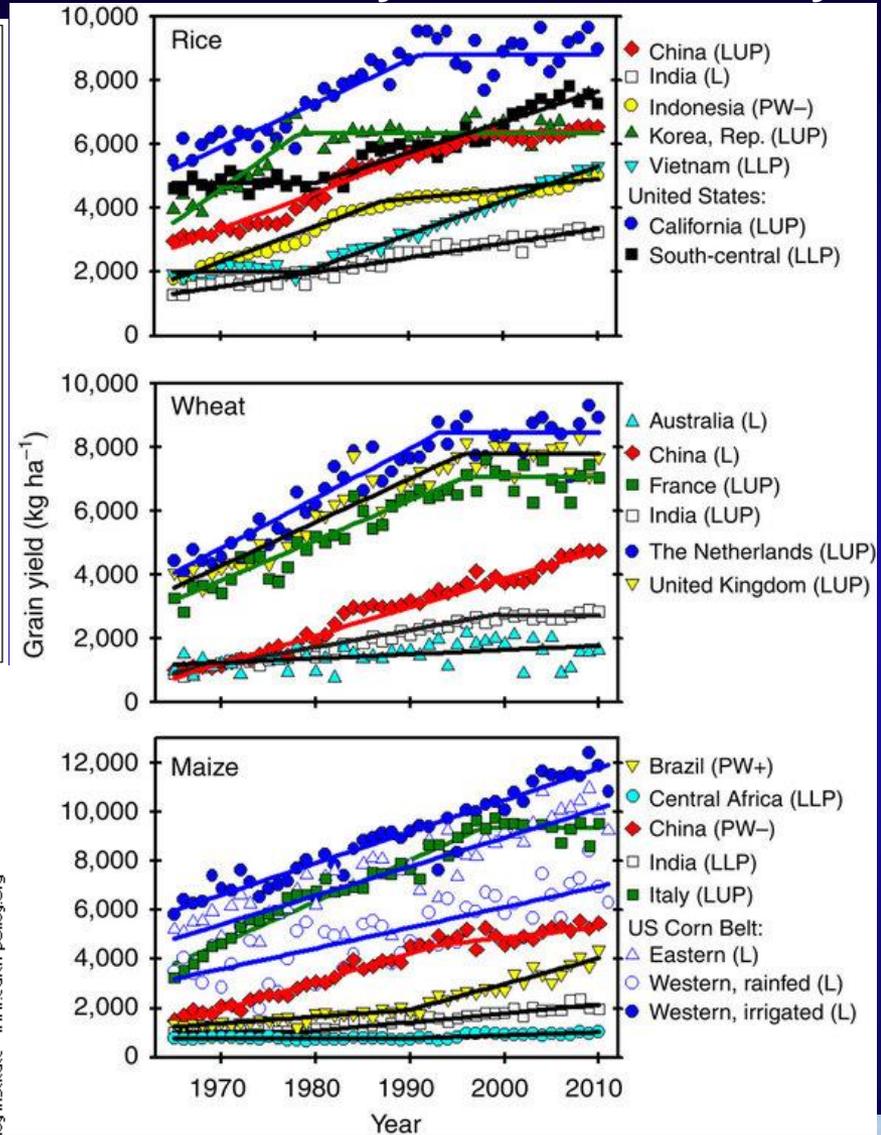
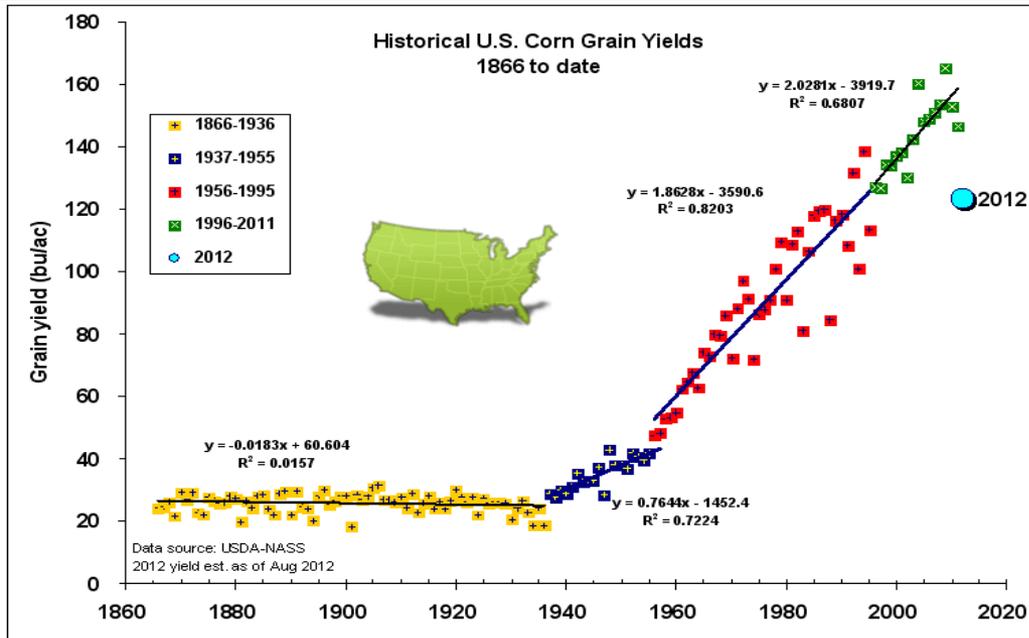


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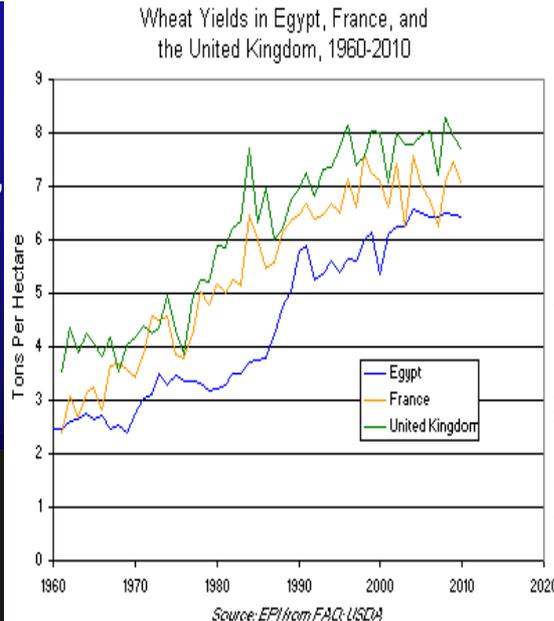
Crop Yield Stagnation is Causing Concern for Food Security in the 21st Century



Crop Yield Increases along with increases in

1. cropland areas,
2. irrigated areas,
3. technology (e.g., genomics, combine, tillers), and
4. inputs (e.g., fertilizers, herbicides).....

resulted in “green Revolution” and Food security in last 70 years

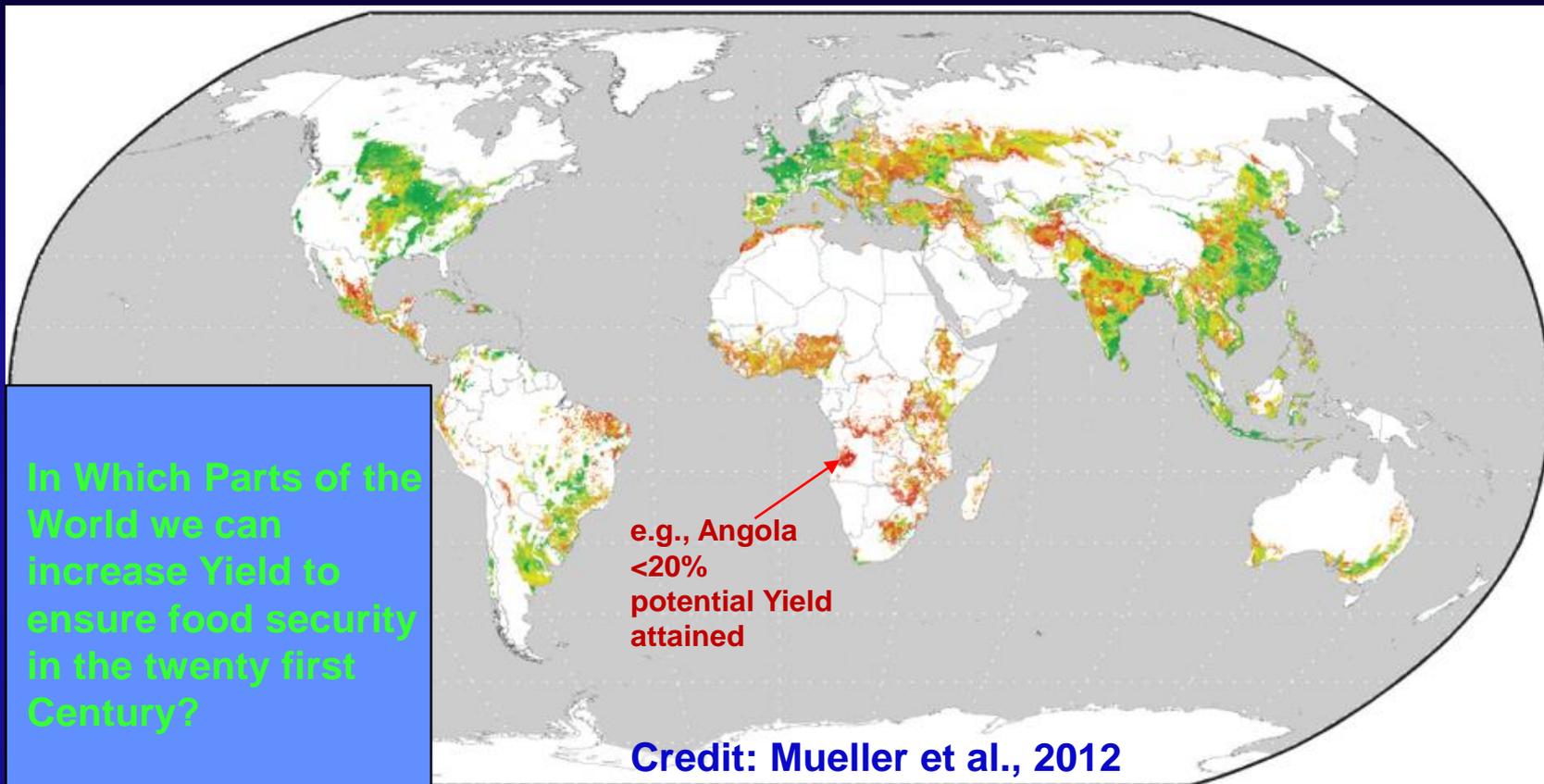


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Source: Grassini, P. et al. Distinguishing between yield advances and yield plateaus in historical crop production trends. *Nat. Commun.* 4:2918 doi: 10.1038/ncomms3918 (2013).



Major cereals: attainable yield achieved (%)



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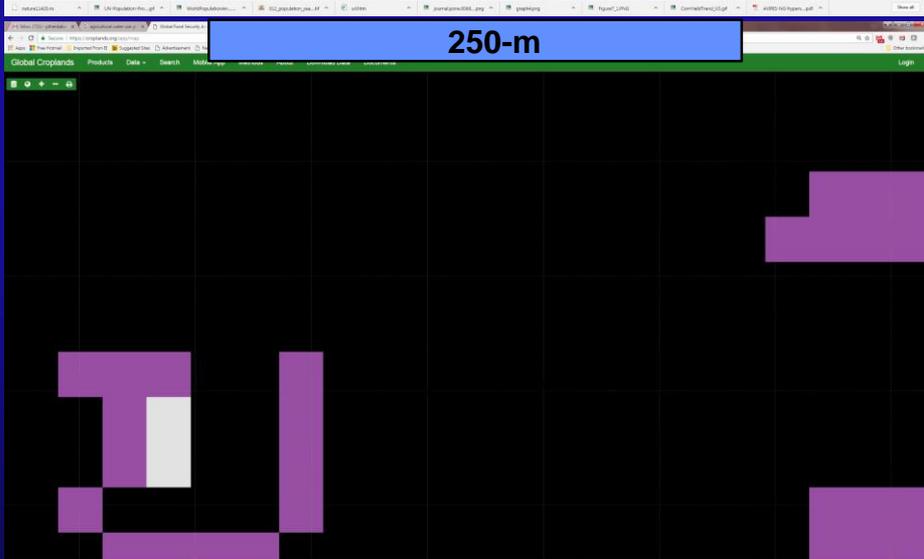
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1-km



250-m



30-m



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3. Global Cropland Water Use

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Croplands use Massive Quantities of Water; ~80% of all Human Water Use Worldwide

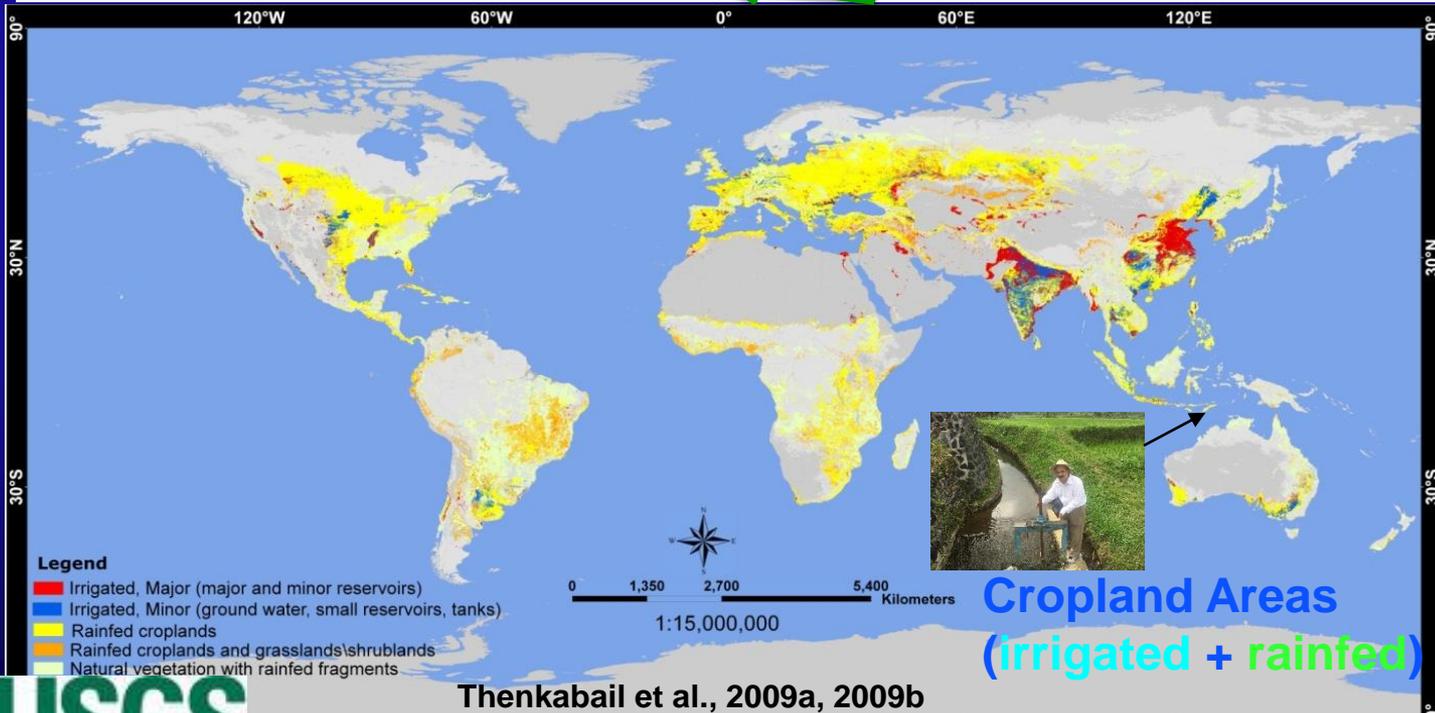
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global
Green + Blue
water use

How much
water does 1.8
billion hectares
of total cropland
areas use?

....but these
estimates will
change if we
consider
uncertainties in
irrigated
areas.....



Cropland Areas
(irrigated + rainfed)

Blue water (from lakes, reservoirs, rivers, ground water) use by irrigated croplands

Green Water (from soil moisture) use by rainfed croplands



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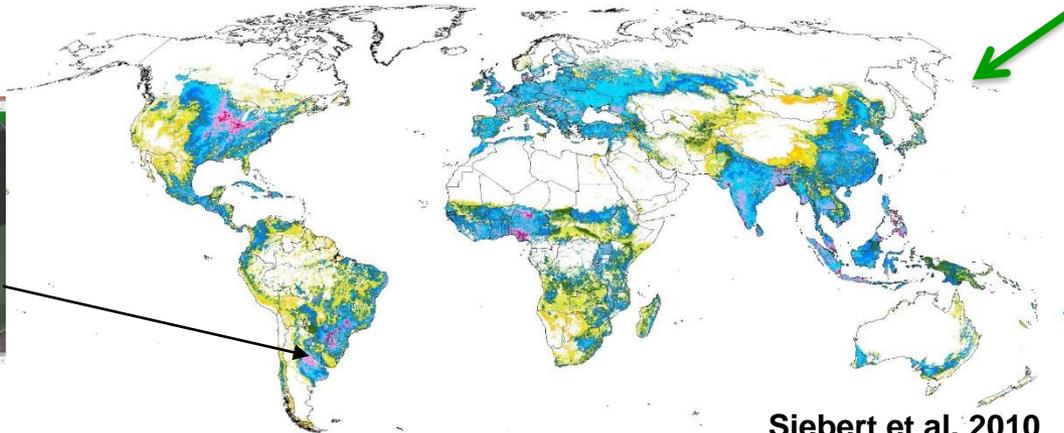
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Green water use

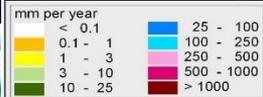
Total consumptive green water use of crops
(mm per year averaged over total grid cell area)



How much water does 1.4 billion hectares of rainfed croplands use?

Siebert et al. 2010
Hoff et al., 2013

Rainfed Cropland water use Map



high water use occurs where the:

- density of cropland is high
- cropping intensity is high
- evaporative demand of the atmosphere is high
- precipitation is high

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computed with GCWM 1.0 (Siebert and Döll, 2009) for the period 1999-2002
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Green Water (from soil moisture) use by rainfed croplands



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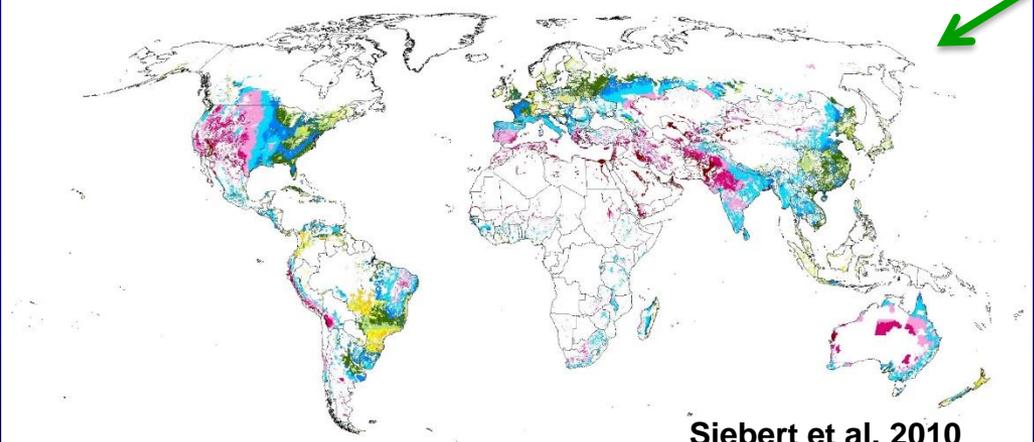
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Water use by irrigated crops by artificial irrigation (e.g., from lakes, reservoirs, rivers, ground water)

Water use by irrigated crops by Rainfall falling over irrigated areas

Blue consumptive water use of irrigated crops (percentage of total consumptive water use of irrigated crops)



How much water does 400 Mha irrigated croplands use?

Irrigated Cropland water use Map

Siebert et al. 2010
Hoff et al., 2013

percentage of total water use	
< 0.1	30 - 40
0.1 - 5	40 - 60
5 - 10	60 - 75
10 - 20	75 - 90
20 - 30	> 90

high percentages occur in irrigated areas when:
- the aridity is high

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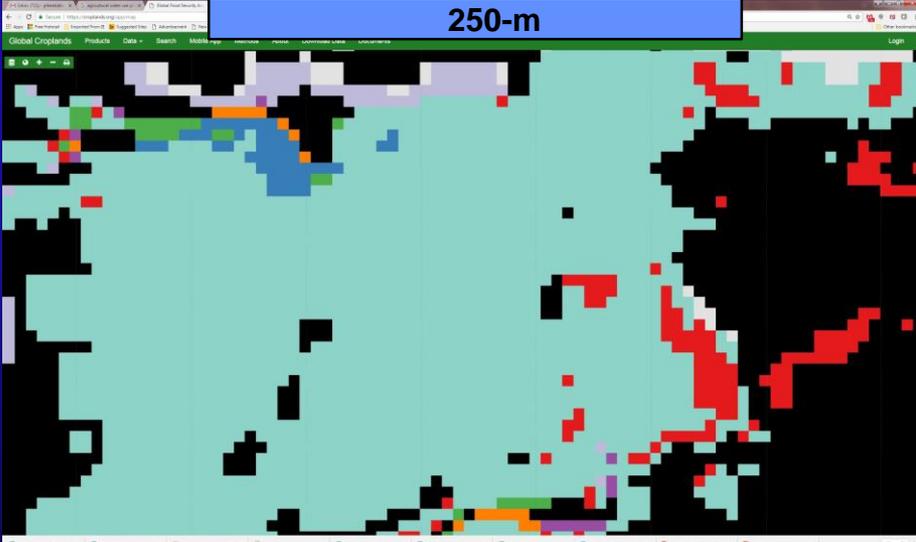
Croplands versus non-croplands @ very high (< 5-m) spatial resolution

1-km



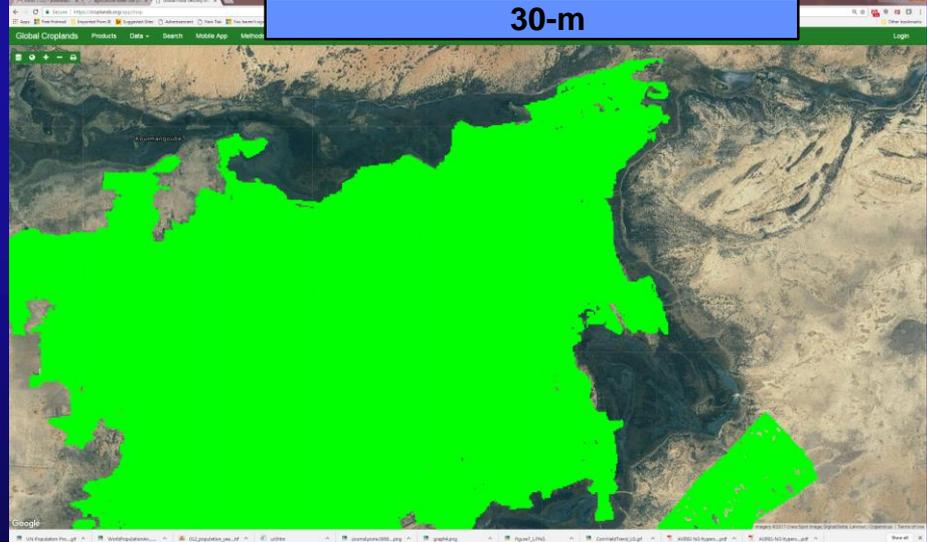
Significant non-croplands get mapped as croplands

250-m



Does better than 1-km, but still maps certain non-croplands as croplands

30-m



Captures almost all croplands perfectly; separates all non-croplands as non-croplands



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4. Global Cropland Water Productivity

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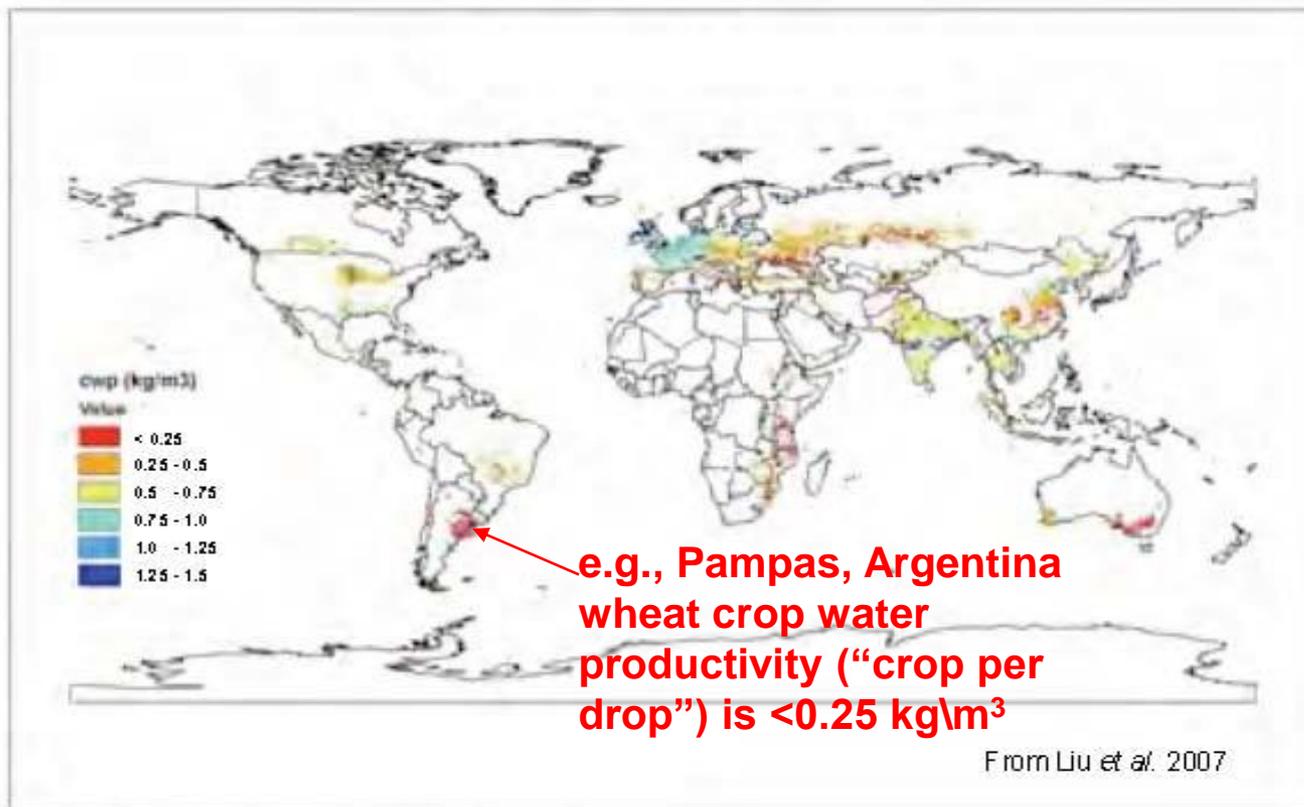


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Improving Crop Water Productivity (crop per drop) of Wheat crop

Wheat occupies about 22% of the 1.8 billion hectares of croplands. It is a staple crop across the world. Improving crop water productivity ("crop per drop") of wheat will be huge contribution towards ensuring food security in the 21st Century

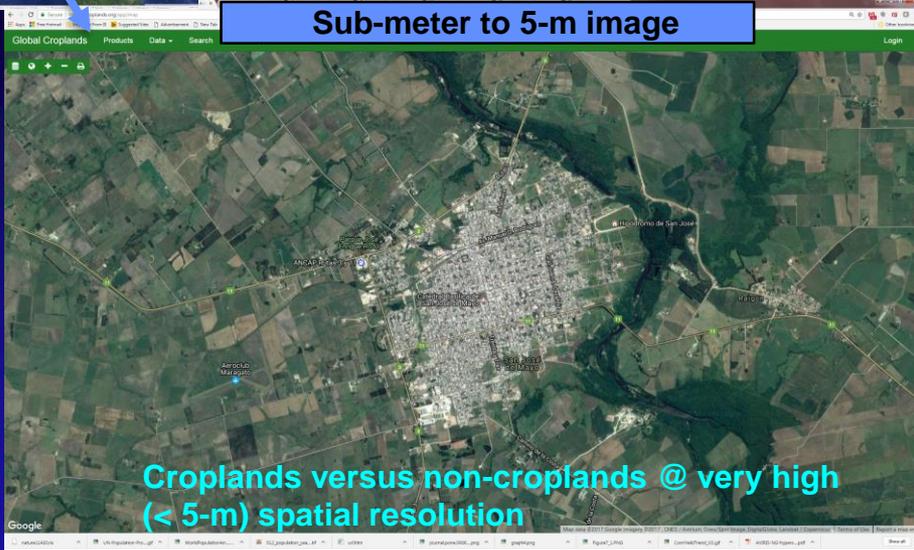
Crop water productivity (cwp) of wheat (2000)



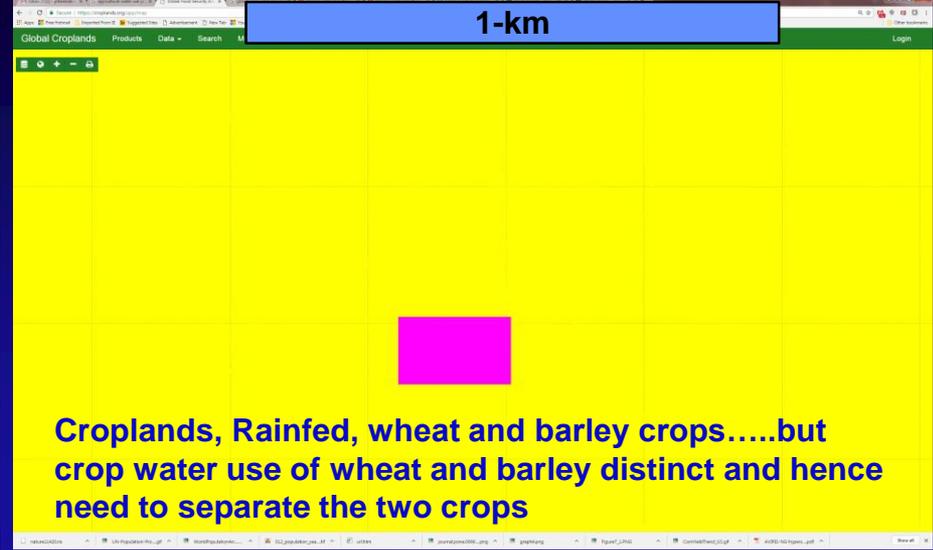
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Uncertainties in Crop Type Mapping Across Resolutions (e.g., A Micro area in Argentina)

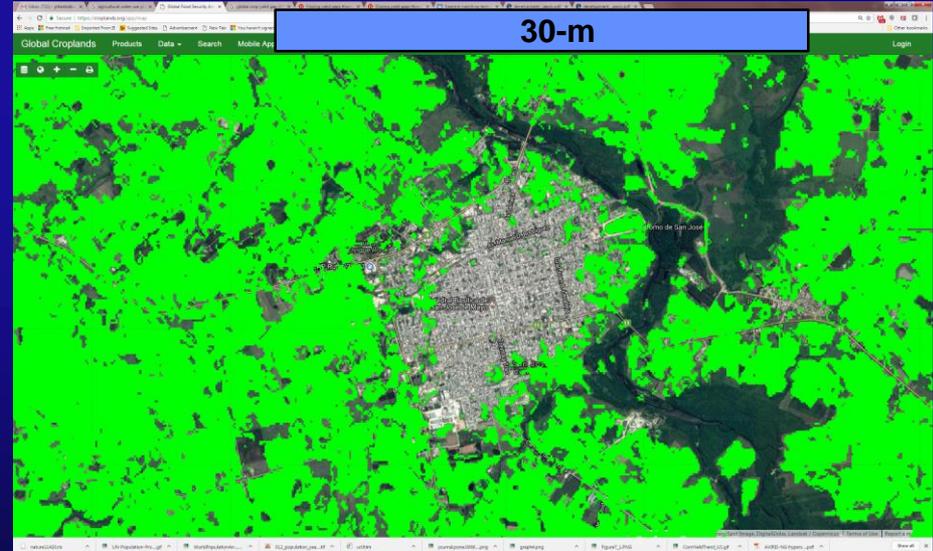
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Crop water productivity (“crop per drop”) is best studied by taking each crop. Coarse resolution remote sensing does not allow crop type separation with desired accuracies. Finer (30-m or less) resolution data, that also have good temporal coverage will be ideal for separating crop types.

Captures almost all croplands perfectly; However, need to separate wheat from barley (attempt not made yet)



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5. Global Population Growth and Food Security

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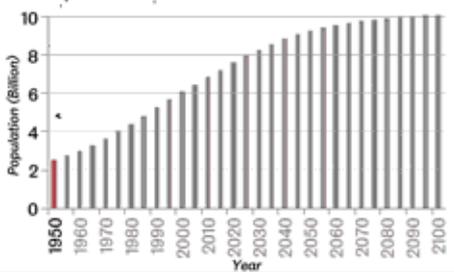
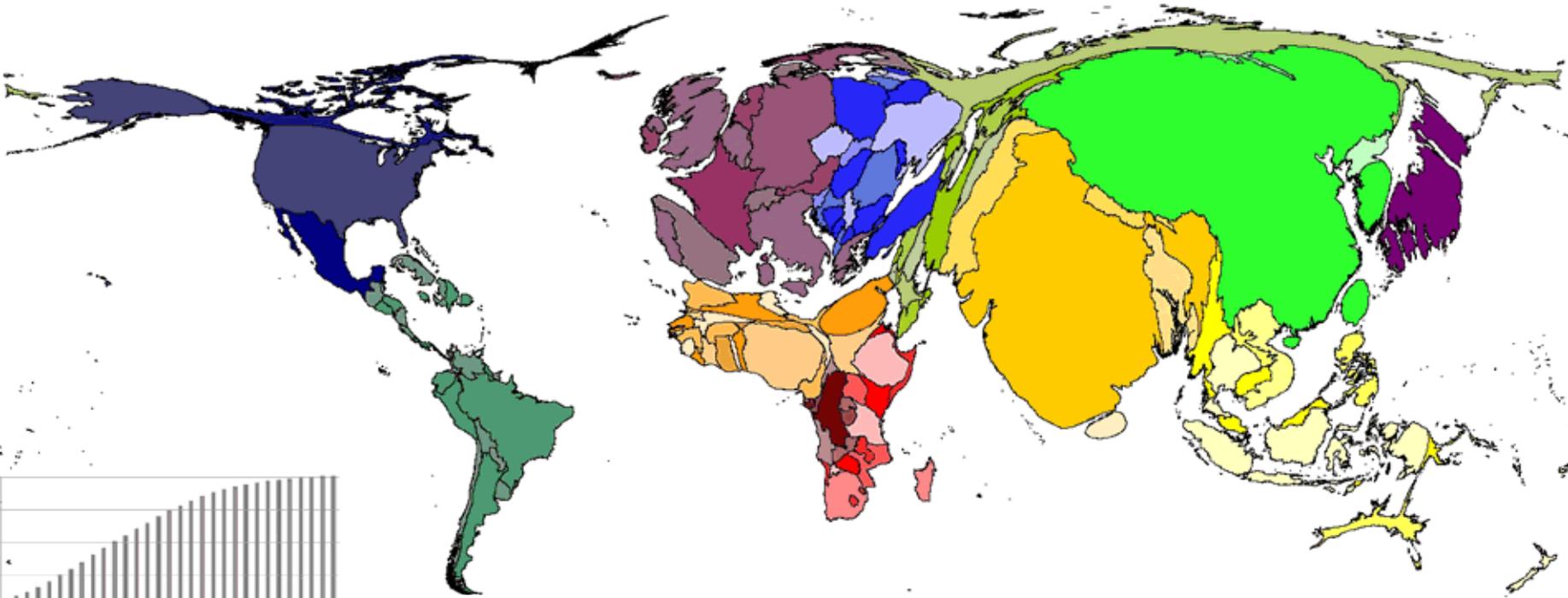
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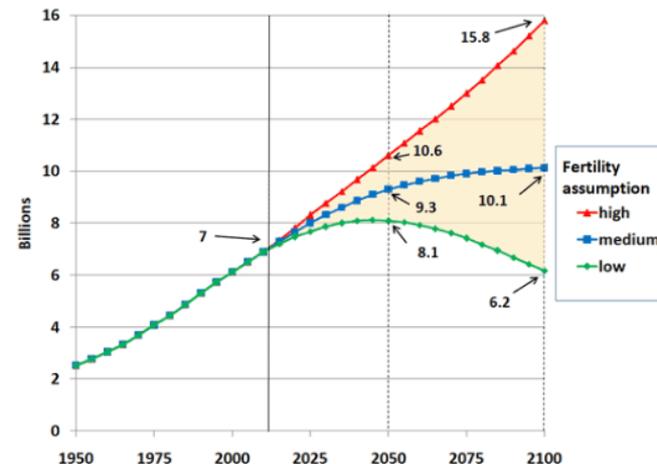
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Population Growth-Croplands-Crop Water Use-Crop Water Productivity-Food Security

World Population 1950



UN Projections of World Population Under Three Fertility Assumptions



World Population Animation created by Benjamin D. Hennig, University of Sheffield
 Data Source: UN World Population Prospects 2010
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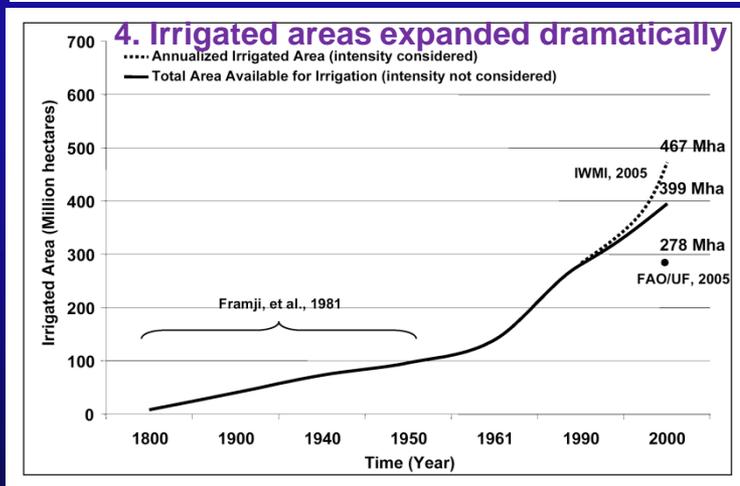
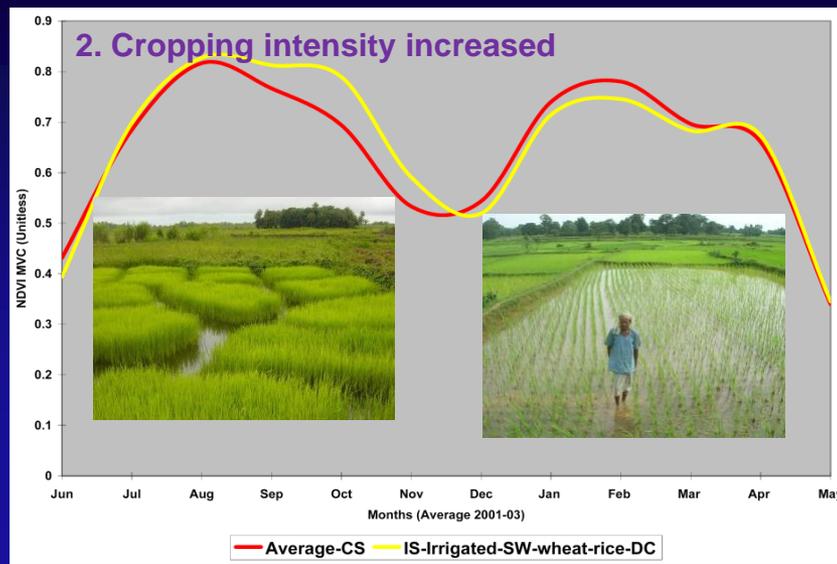
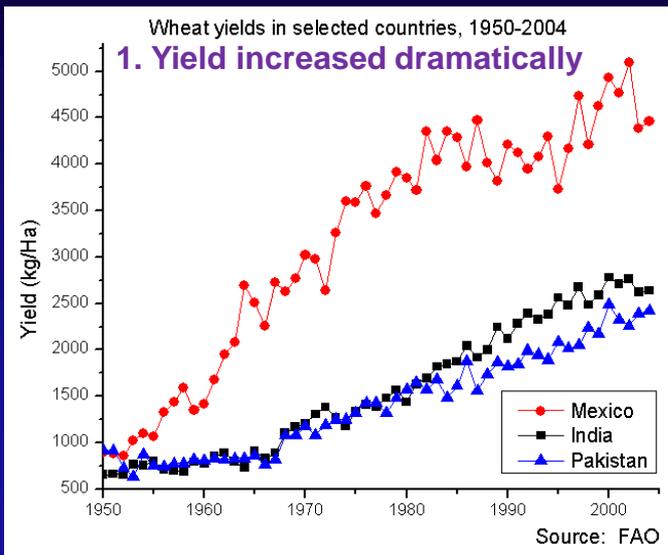
How do we feed a population of 10 billion by 2050 or 12 billion by 2100?.....How does accurate and objective information on croplands help us assess crop productivity, Crop water use, crop water productivity, and food security?.....GFSAD30 project is targeted to provide Objective Cropland Information in Support of addressing issues pertaining to global food security



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How Food Security was Ensured during the Green Revolution Era (1950-2010)



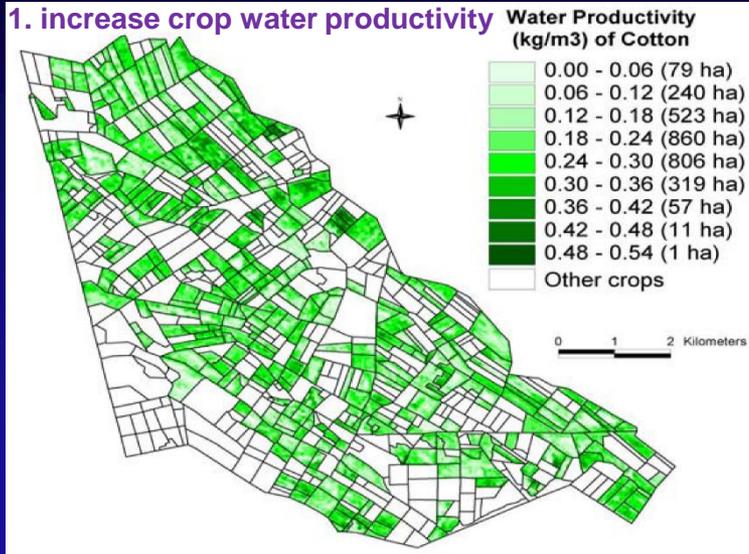
....also cropland management involving herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers, drainage..... combination of these factors lead to green revolution



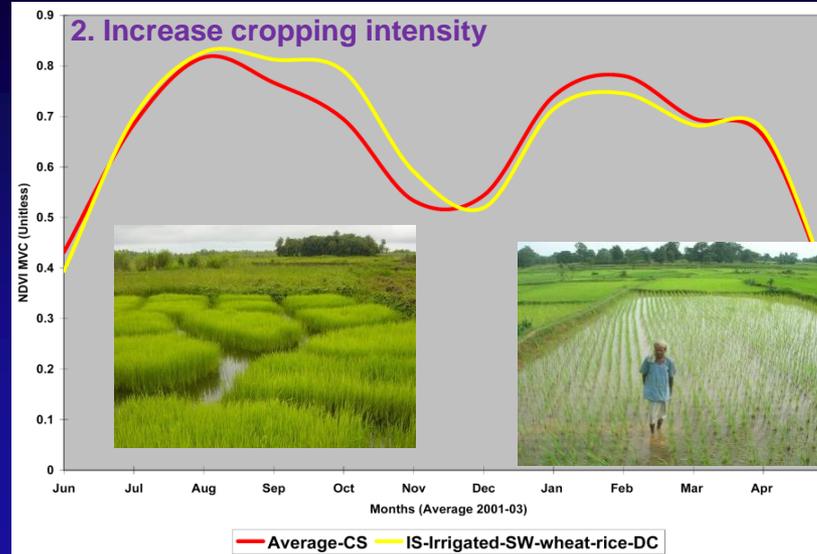
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How Food Security will be Ensured during the 21st Century

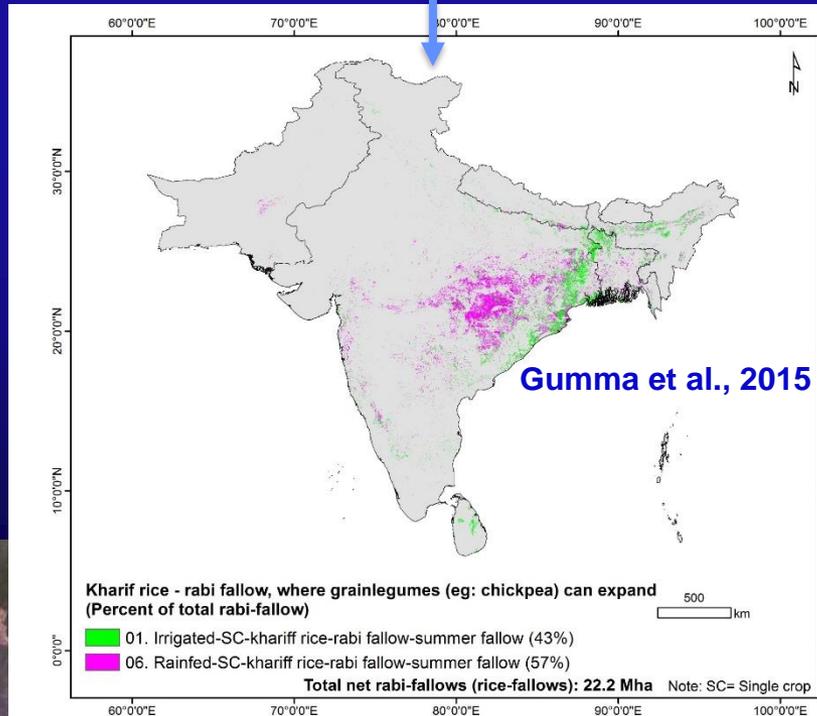
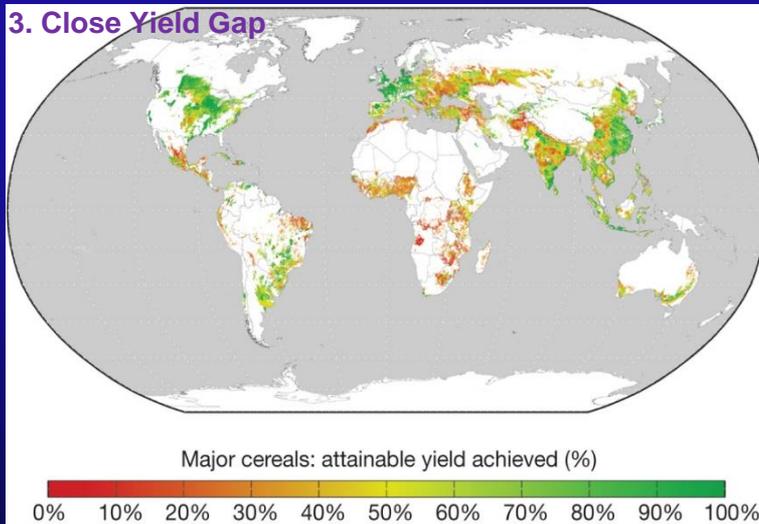
1. Increase crop water productivity



2. Increase cropping intensity



3. Close Yield Gap

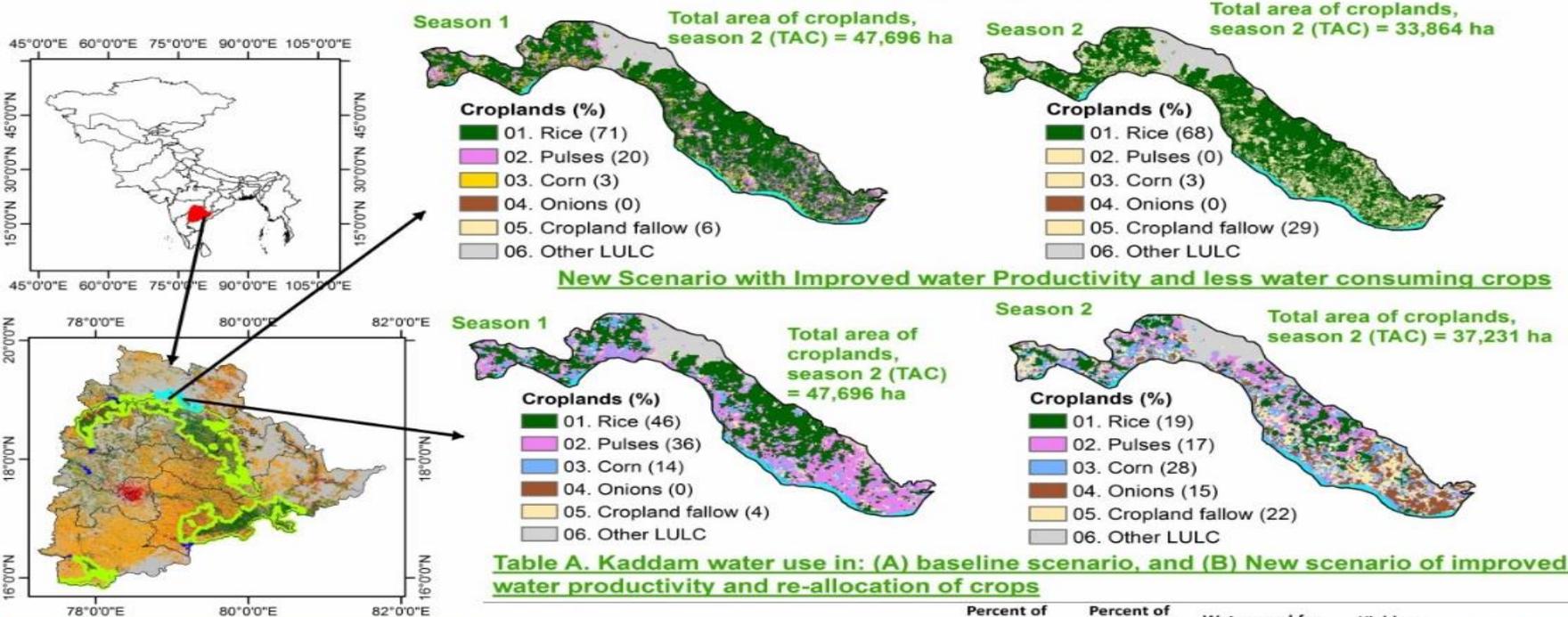


Gumma et al. (2015) showed that there is 22.2 Mha of Rice Fallows (where during Kharif season rice is grown, but rabi season overwhelming proportion is fallow).....in this 22.2 Mha, there is an opportunity to grow a second crop such as Chickpea that is of short season (< 3 month) and low water consuming

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How Food Security will be Ensured during the 21st Century

Baseline Scenario @ present



A. In existing cropping scenario high water consuming crop like rice dominates. Also water productivity of rice is poor.

B. So, we propose agriculture that is:

1. water-smart (replacing less water consuming, short duration crops like pulses in some rice areas, especially during season 2);
2. Nutrition rich (e.g., pulses);
3. Increased water productivity (improved "crop per drop" through better management);
4. Climate-smart (e.g., growing less water consuming second crop); and
5. Economic-smart (e.g., ensure farmers are not dependent on one crop markets)

.....resulting in a saving of 120 billion liters of water in just 56,606 hectares resulting in "new water" that is used for creating new "water banks" [above-ground (surface water) and below-ground (ground water)].

Crop type	Percent of total cropland area in season 1 ^{A,C} (%)	Percent of total cropland area in season 2 ^{A,C} (%)	Water used for producing 1 kg of grain ^{E,F} (liters)	Yield per hectares in (kg/hectare)	Total water used by all crops in 2 season (liters)
A. Baseline scenario: with business as usual crops at present during season 1 and/or 2					
Rice	71	68	3400	2500	483579280000
Pulses	20	0	1608	1320	20247524352
Corn	3	3	1222	6500	19434932400
Onions	0	0	345	19000	0
Cropland fallow	6	29	100	0	0
Total Area of croplands (hectares)	47696	33864			532,262 billion liters
Other land cover area (hectares)	8910	22742		Current water use	523 billion liters
Total area (croplands + non-croplands) (hectares)	56606	56606			
B. New scenario: with improved water productivity, re-allocation of less water consuming water-smart, economically-smart crops					
Rice	46	19	2600	2400	181047672000
Pulses	36	17	1608	1320	49879799165
Corn	14	28	1222	6500	135842139160
Onions	0	15	345	19000	36607380750
Cropland fallow	4	22	100	0	0
Total Area of croplands (hectares)	47696	37231			403,377 billion liters
Other land use land cover area (hectares)	8910	19375		New reduced water use	403 billion liters
Total area (croplands + non-croplands) (hectares)	56606	56606			
Reduced water use in new scenario				Water Savings	120 billion liters

GFSAD30 Project: Background
6. Croplands-Crop Productivity-Crop
Water Use-Crop Water Productivity-
Population-Food Security

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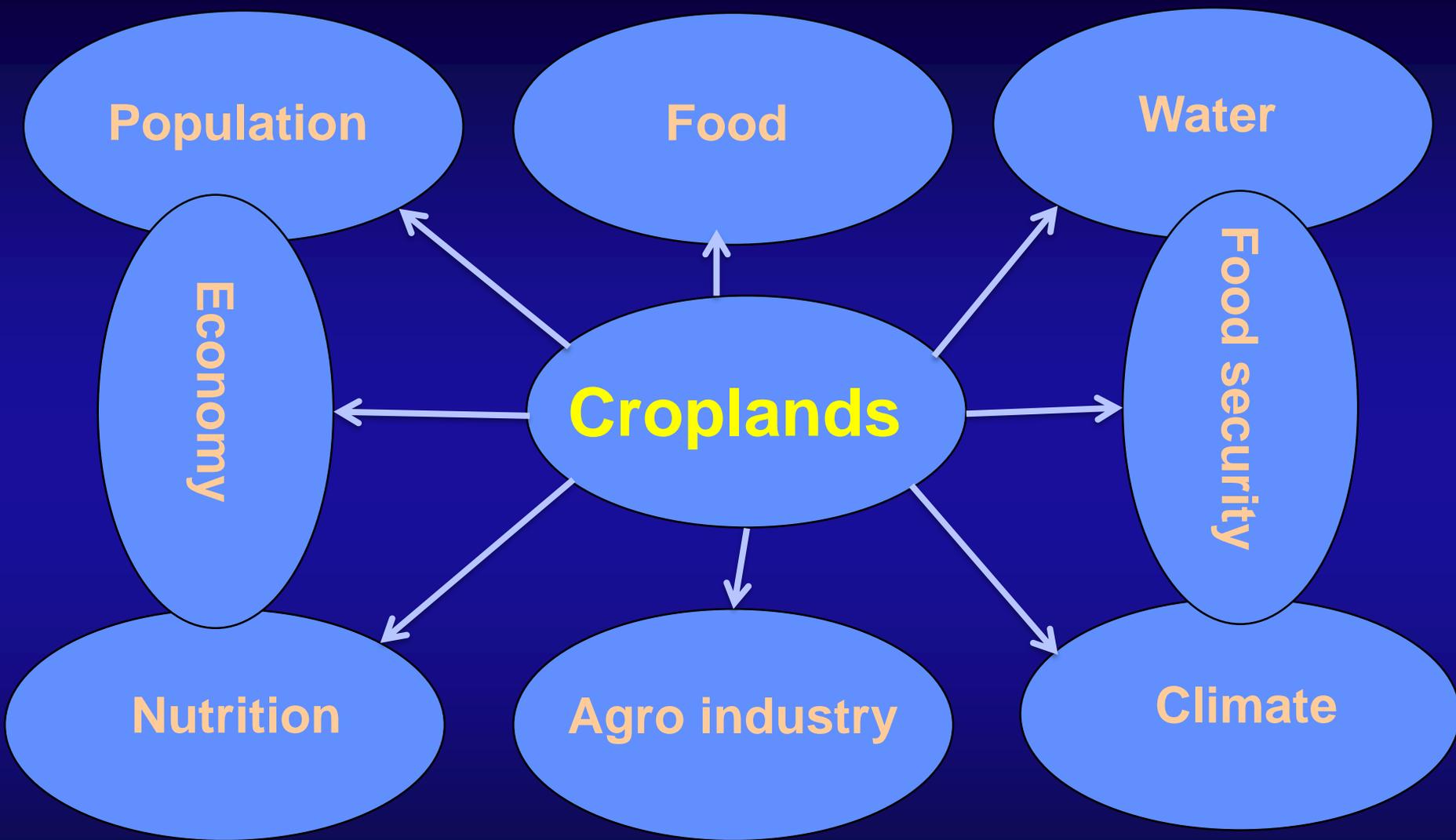
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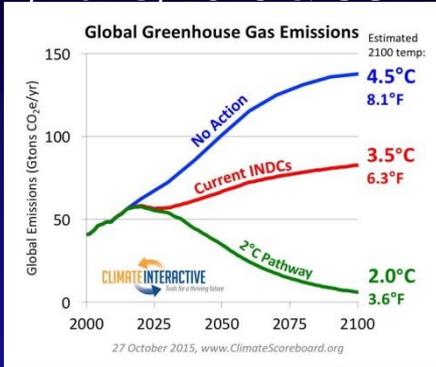
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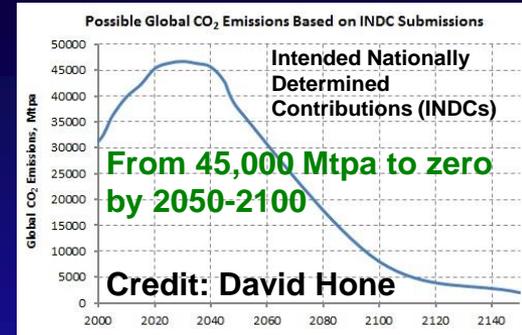
Croplands Linked to Many Vital Human and Animal Needs and Human and Animal Welfare



Keeping in View to Contribute Towards zero carbon economy, Climate Security
 COP21, Paris, 2015 & COP22 Marrakech, Morocco
 Towards zero carbon



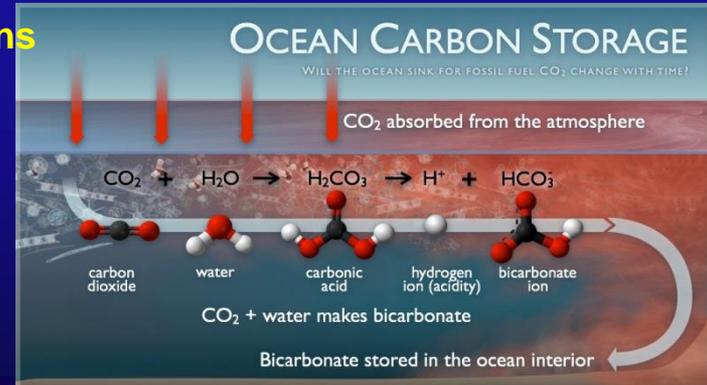
**Towards
 Zero Carbon
 Economy by
 2050 to 2100**



Towards green energy, clean energy, less dependent on fossil fuels



What is emitted is absorbed by soils, forests, oceans
 nothing left in atmosphere



GFSAD30 Project

Goal and Key Products

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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).

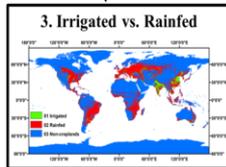
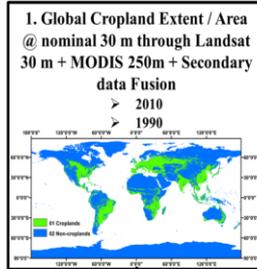


Global Cropland Products

1. Cropland extent/areas;
2. Watering method (e.g., Irrigated versus rainfed);
3. Cropping intensity (e.g., single, double, triple, continuous);
4. Crop types (e.g., Major 8)
5. Croplands versus cropland fallows.

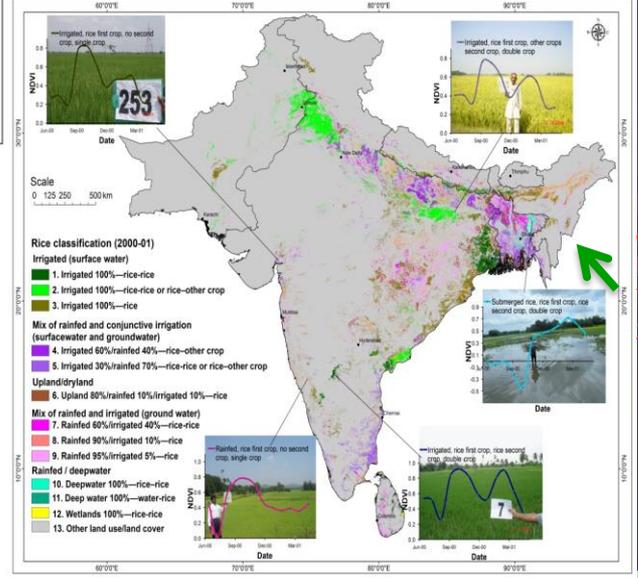
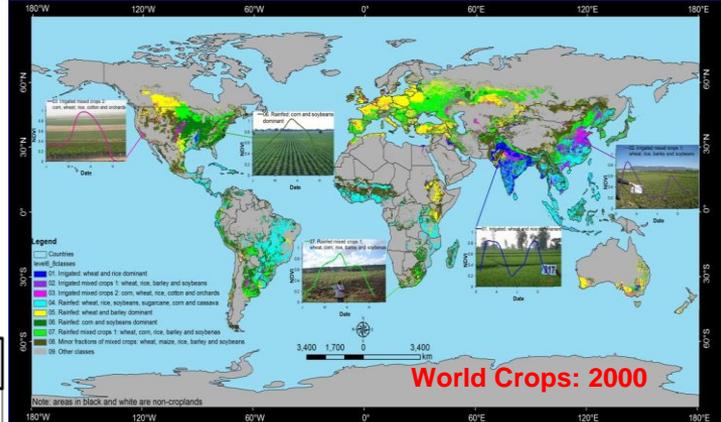
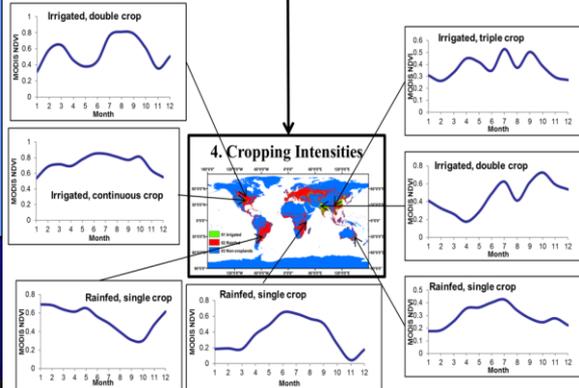
.....the above products will lead to other higher level cropland products such as:

- A. Crop productivity (kg/m^2);
- B. Crop water use (m^3/m^2);
- C. Crop water productivity ("crop per drop"; kg/m^3);



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



Global Cropland Products @ 3 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)

1 km

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

250 m

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

30 m

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Global Croplands @ 1-km

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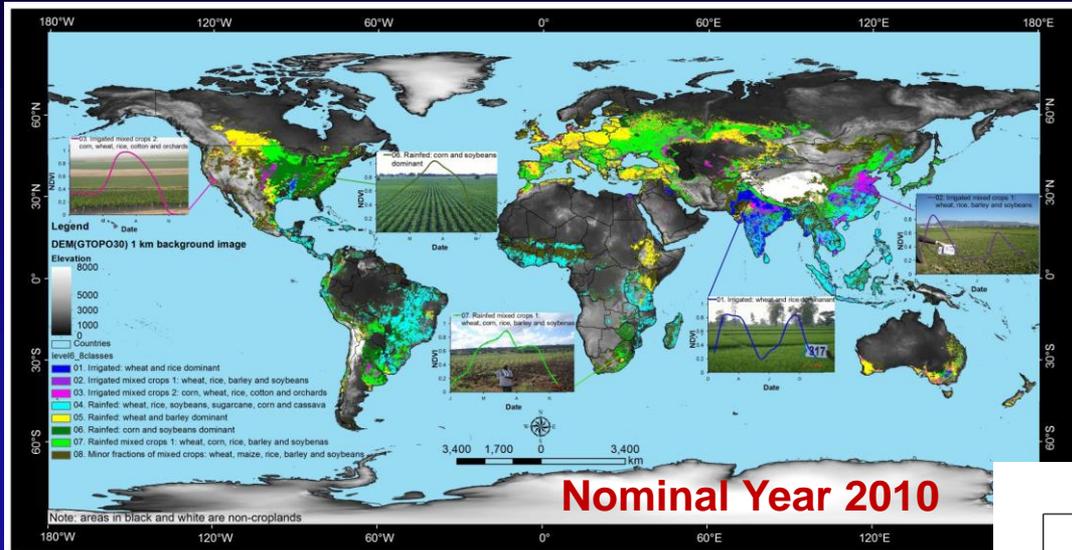


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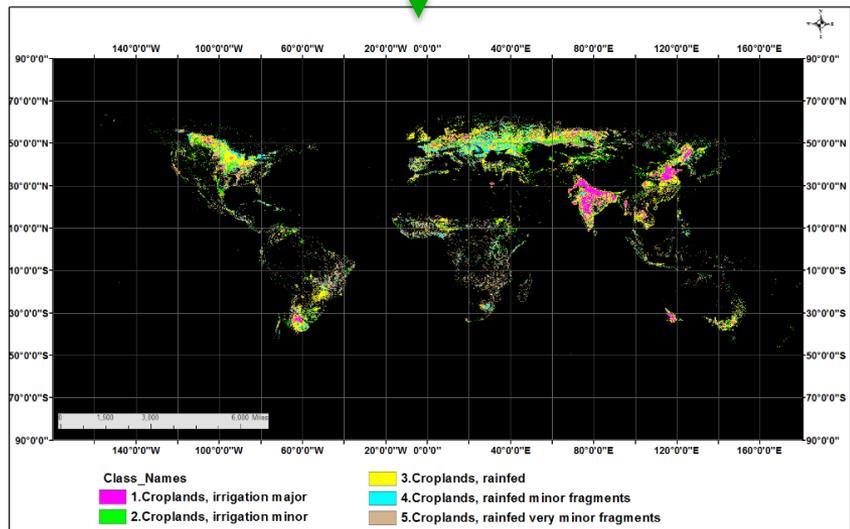
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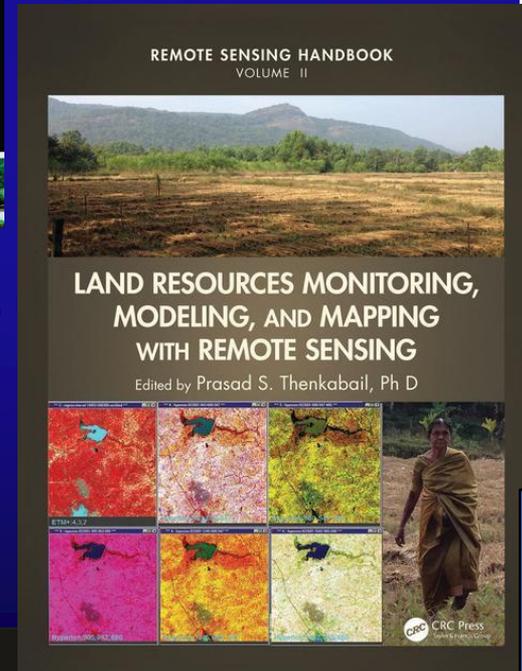
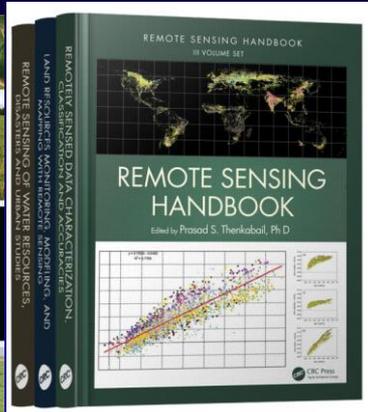
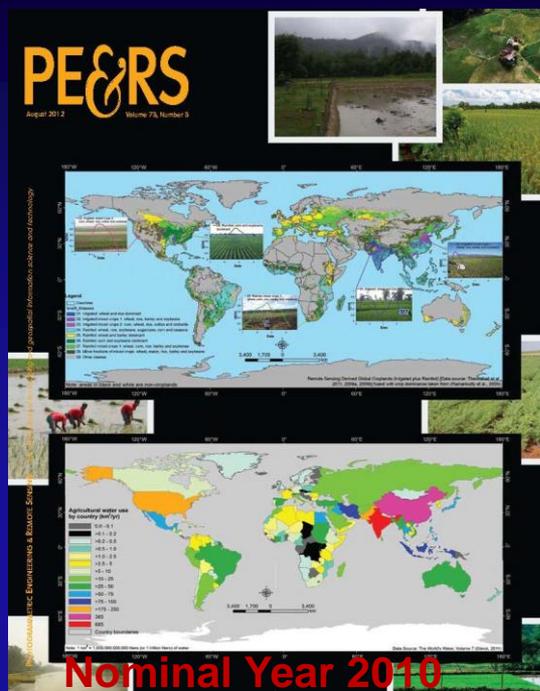
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Note: Globally, there is ~1.6 billion hectares of croplands as of nominal Years 2000 and 2015, with 34% irrigated and 66% rainfed

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Nominal Year 2010

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Global Croplands @ 250-m

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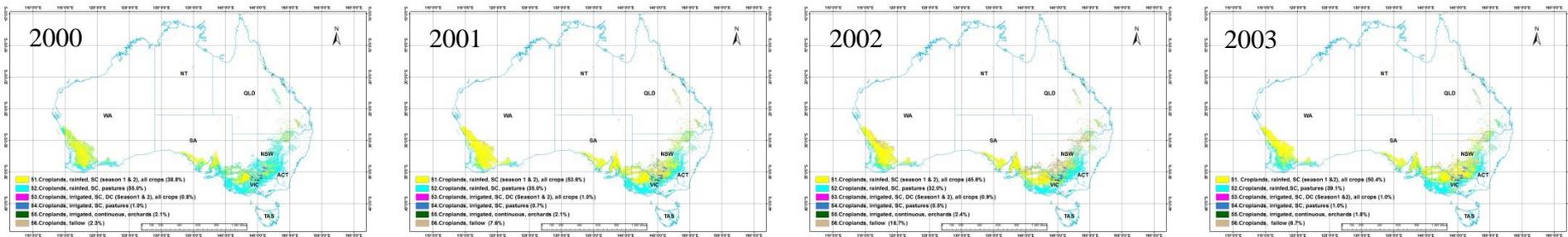
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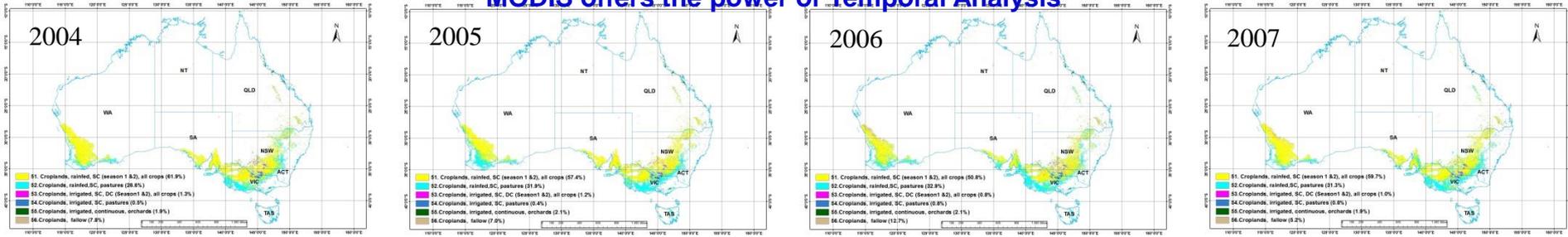
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Global Croplands @ 250-m (e.g., 6 class map) using

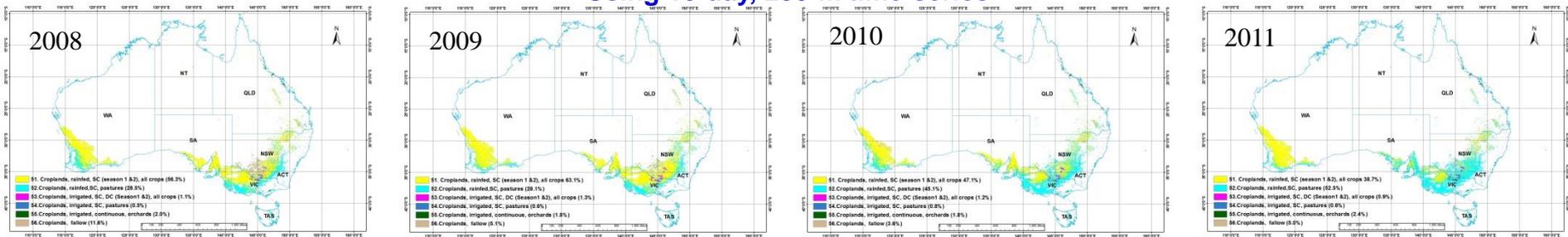
Automated Cropland Classification Algorithms (ACCAs) (e.g., Australia 2000-2015)



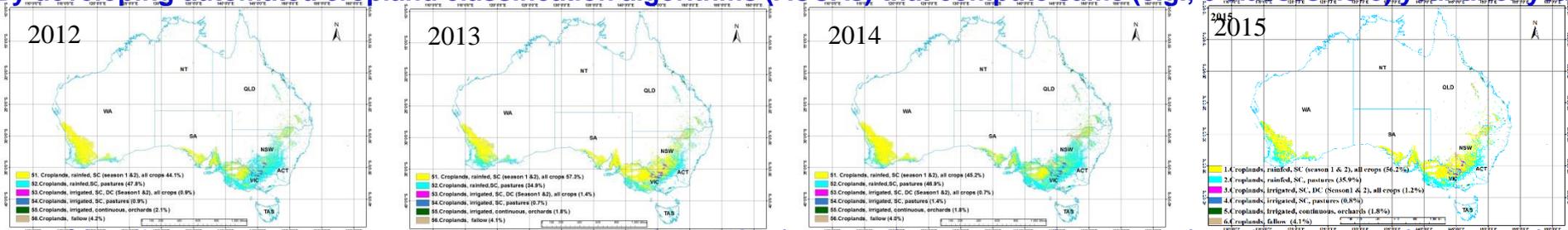
MODIS offers the power of Temporal Analysis



Using 16-day, 250-m time-series



By developing automated cropland classification algorithms (ACCAs) that compute same (e.g., 6 classes here) year after year

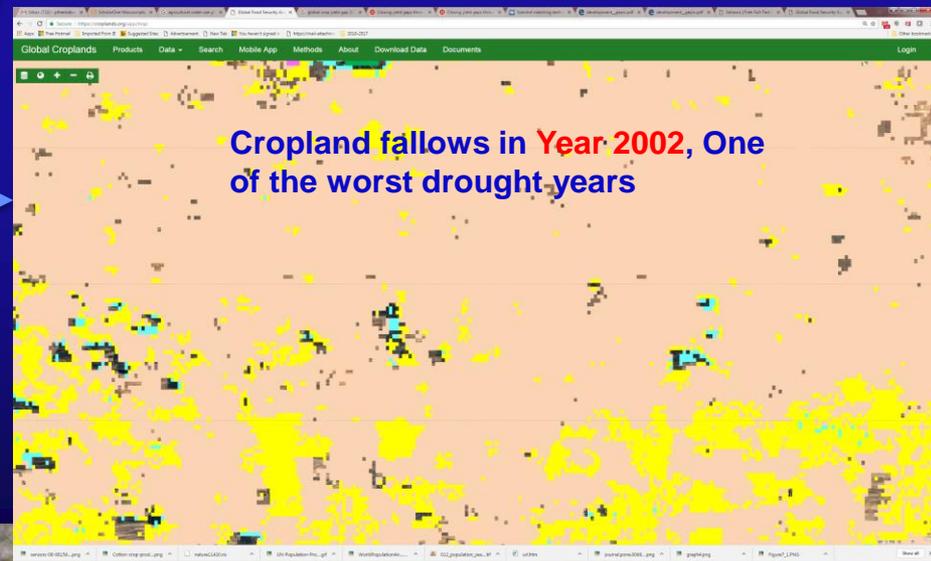
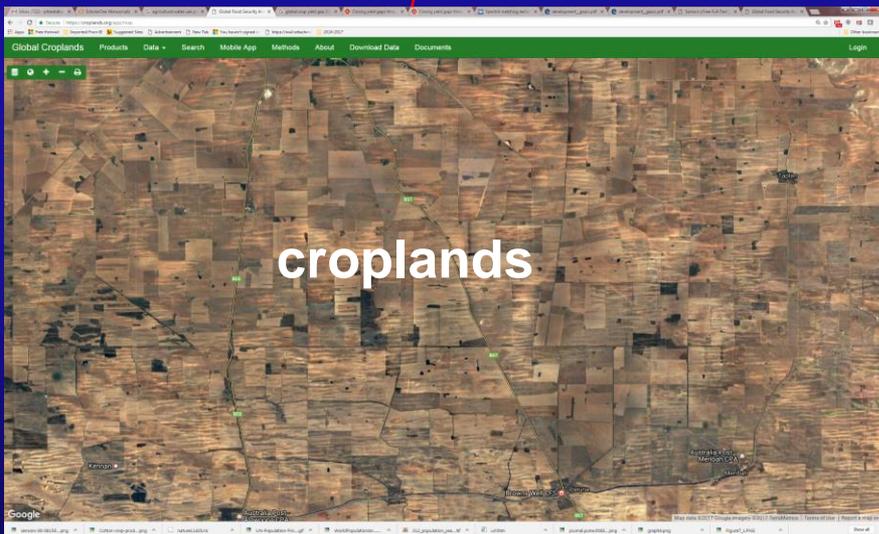
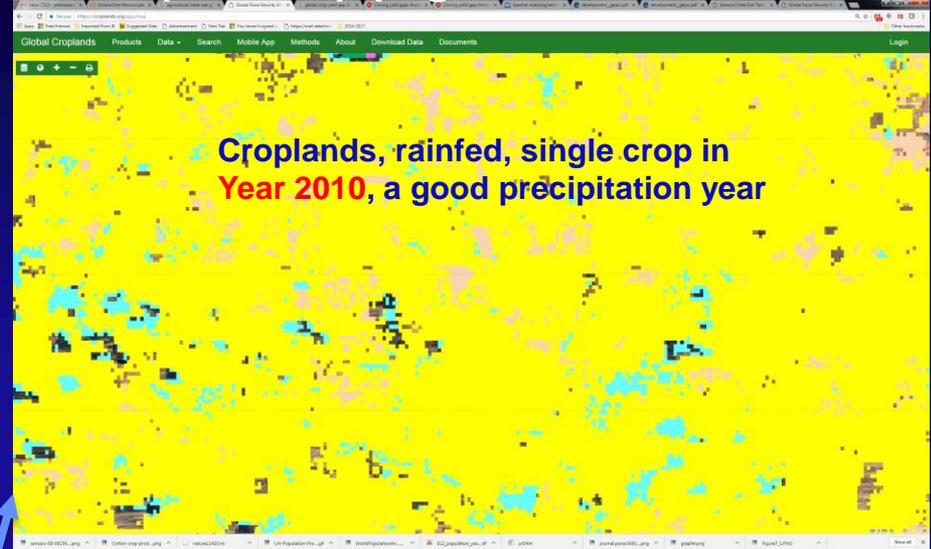
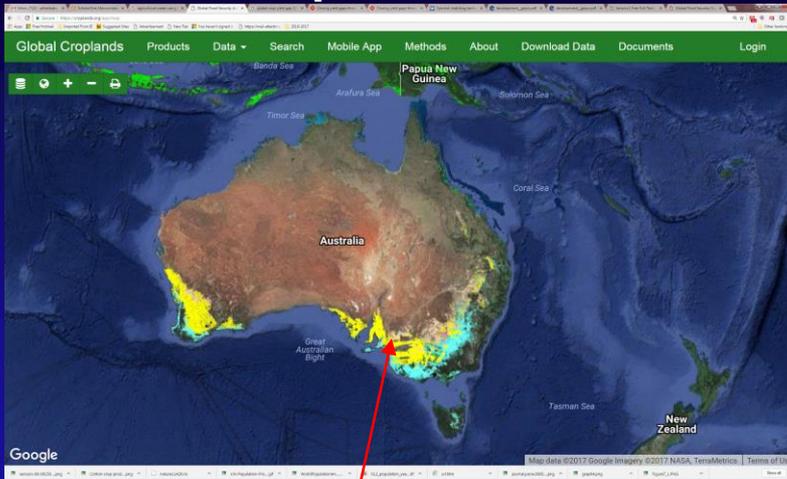


ACCA offers the power to compute cropland classes by hind-casting (past years), now-casting (present year) and future-casting (future years)

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Global Croplands @ 250-m using

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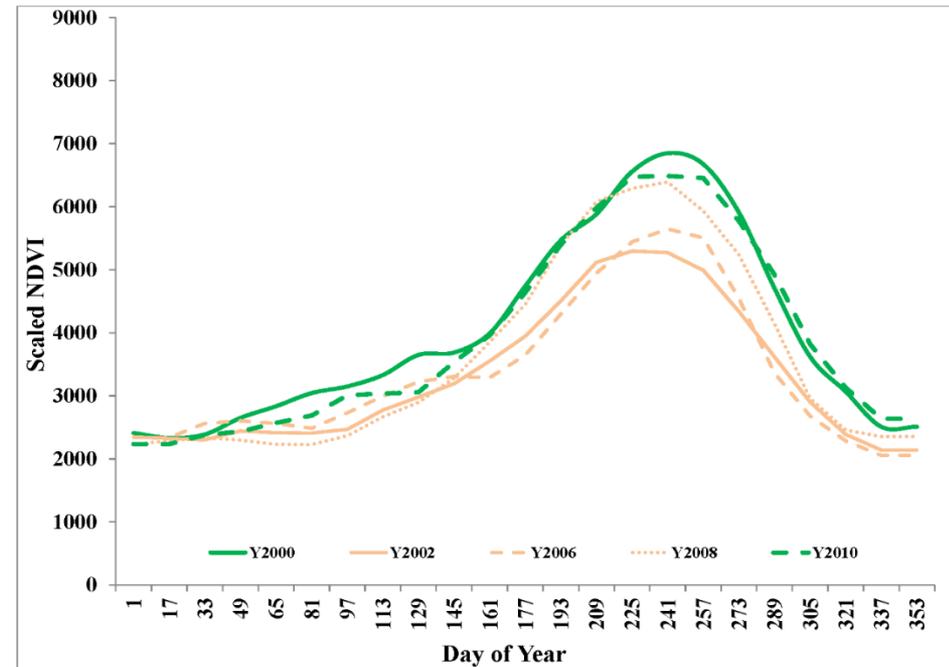
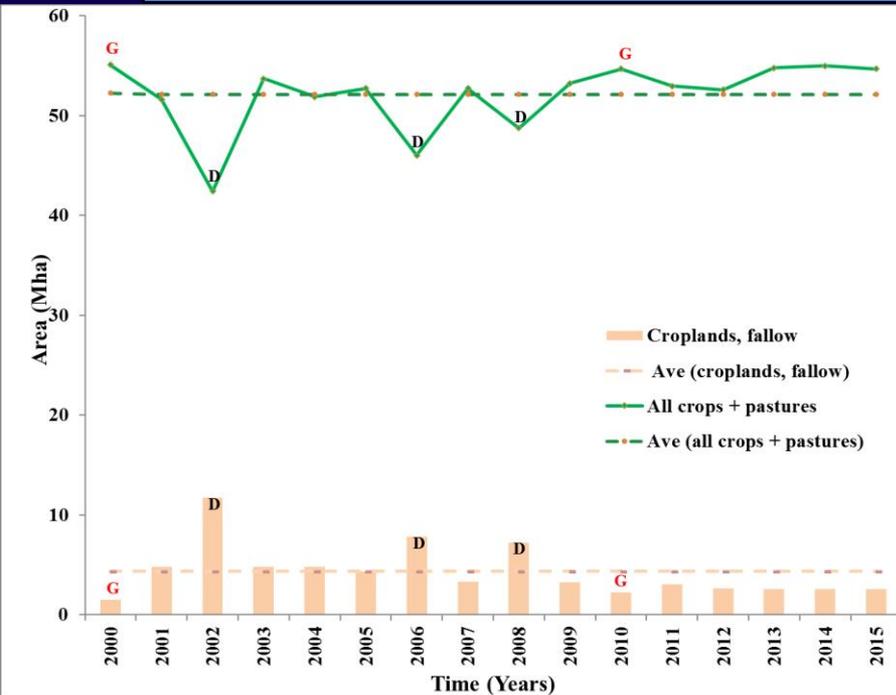
ACCA captures temporal changes across years in cropland dynamics

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<https://croplands.org/app/map>; <https://croplands.org/>



ACCA algorithm has ability to accurately and routinely compute **cropland areas versus cropland fallow areas** year after year: for the past years (hind-cast), present year (now-cast), and future years (future-acast);

ACCA algorithm has ability to accurately and routinely compute **cropland vigor** year after year: for the past years (hind-cast), present year (now-cast), and future years (future-acast);

Fluctuations in Cropland areas and Cropland Vigor will help determine Crop Productivity, leading to Food and Water Security Analysis



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GFSAD30 Project 30-m, World Approach: Overview

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Understanding Cropland Extent

Definitions: Cropland Extent Includes



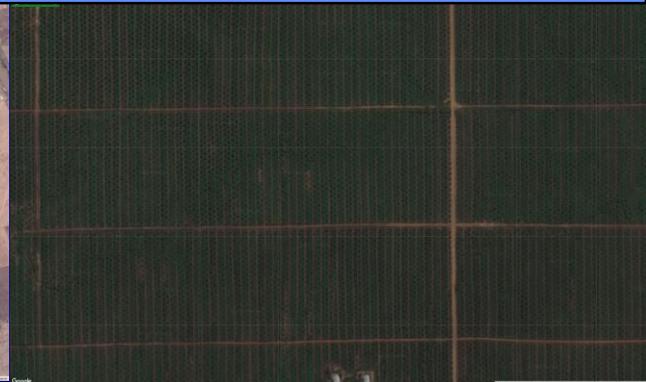
Croplands +



cropland fallows +



Plantations



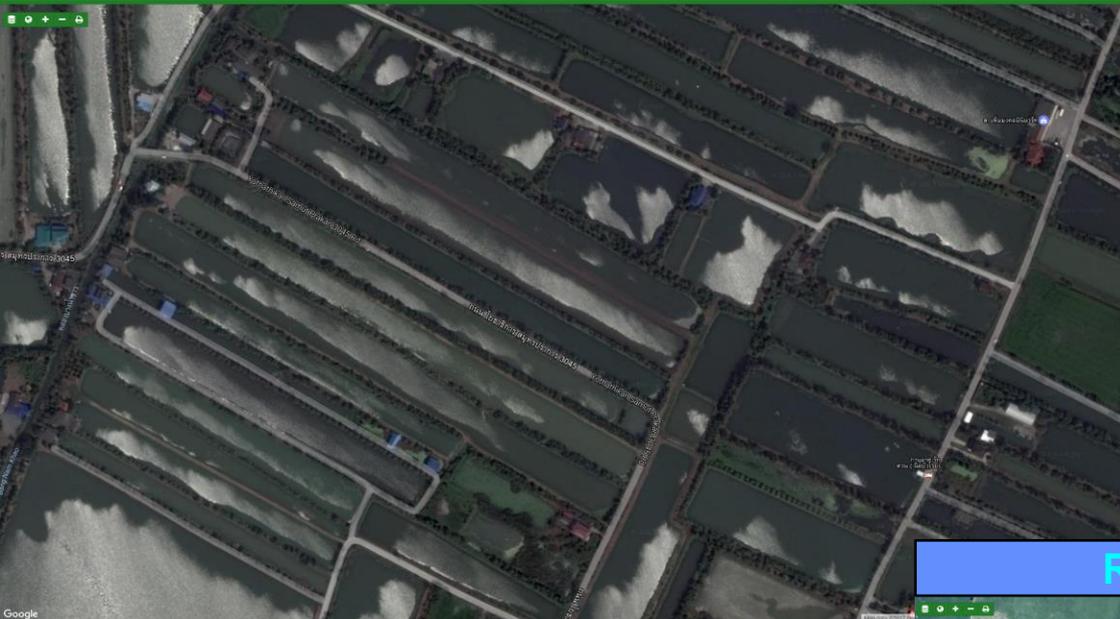
All croplands cultivated for food, feed, and fiber, including plantations (e.g., orchards, vineyards, coffee, tea, rubber) or croplands that are left fallow



Understanding Cropland Extent

Definitions: Agricultural Systems, Not Croplands

Aquaculture, fish ponds, often adjoin rice fields



Managed Rangelands are large part of agricultural systems of many countries (e.g., Australia, New Zealand), we should map them, but keep them as a separate class

Rangelands, often adjoin croplands



We should include aquaculture/fish ponds because they often adjoin rice fields and/or often part of heavily cultivated deltas

Global Cropland Extent Product @ nominal 30-m Produced using

Machine Learning Algorithms(e.g.,Random Forest, Support Vector Machines, decision trees)

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GFSAD30 Project 30-m, World Cloud Computing

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Accessing and Computing Massively Large Big Data (e.g., on GEE Cloud Computing)

Normalized data, Code Sharing, Parallel Computing, Massively Big Data, Rapid Results

The screenshot shows the Google Earth Engine web interface. On the left, a sidebar contains a search bar and a list of data assets. The main area is split into a code editor (top) and a map (bottom). The code editor contains a JavaScript script for fetching satellite imagery. The console on the right shows the execution results, including a list of image objects. Annotations with lines pointing to various parts of the interface include:

- search for data
- API documentation
- script manager
- asset manager
- geometry tools
- zoom
- get link to script
- imports
- save script
- console output
- task manager
- help button
- inspect locations, pixel values, and objects added to the map
- layer manager



GFSAD30 Project 30-m, World Datasets

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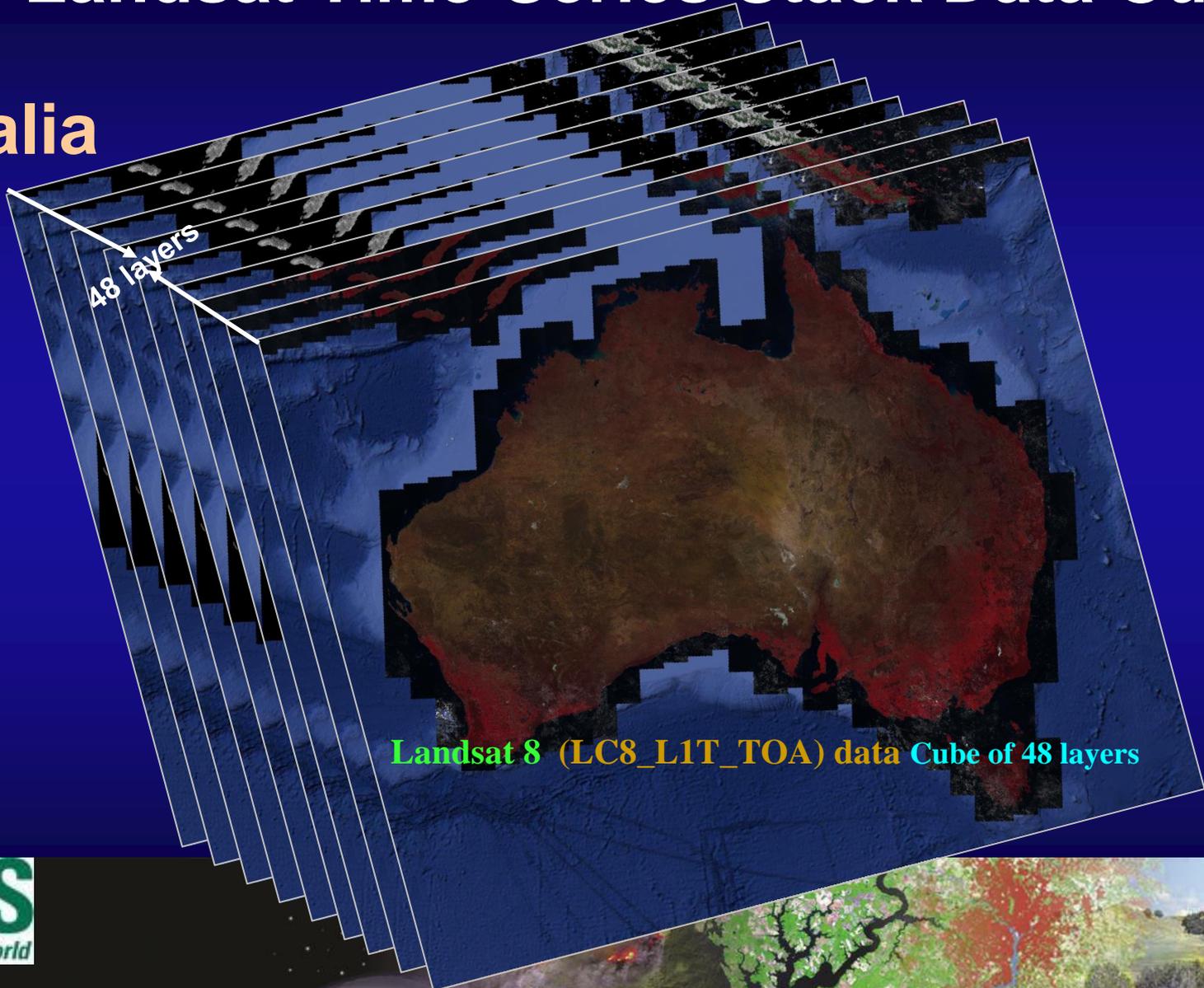
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Landsat 30-m OLI and ETM+ Data

16-day Landsat Time-Series Stack Data Cube

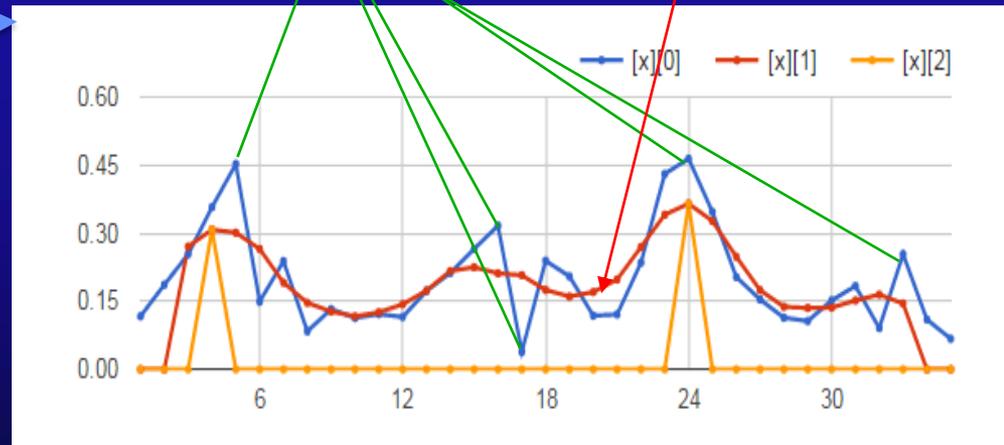
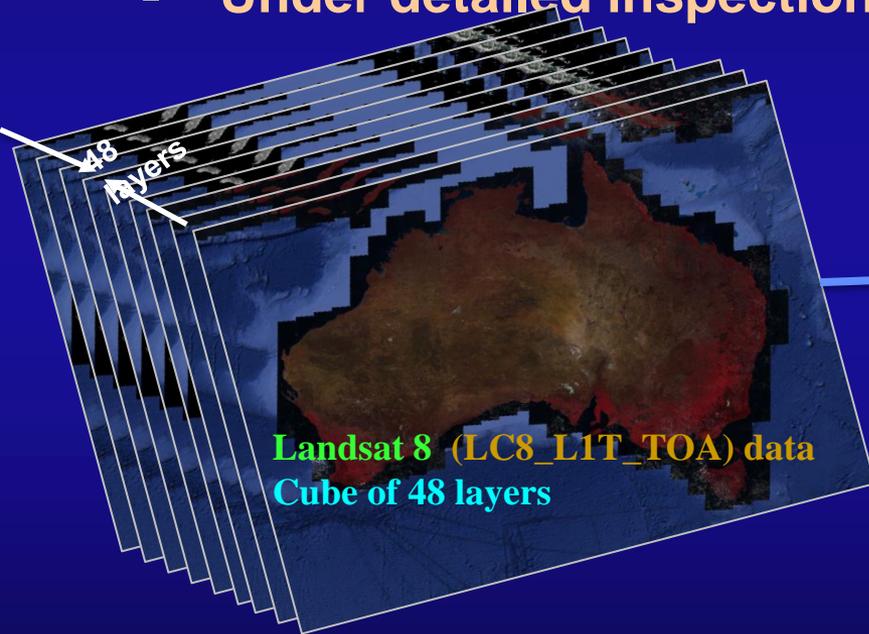
e.g.,
Australia



Landsat 30-m OLI and ETM+ Data

Peak Counting to Overcome Cloud, Haze, Noise

- Local maximum value based on smoothed VI time-series
- Separate single/double/multi-crop-cycle automatically
- Current algorithm enable to scale to continental scale quickly
- Under detailed inspection in erratic error cases



Landsat 30-m OLI and ETM+ Data

e.g., 3 Year Composite used for South East Asia, N&S Korea, and Japan

1. Three year of Landsat OLI and ETM+: 2013-2016;
 2. Top of atmosphere reflectance product;
 3. Three distinct composites leading to 3 images.
- Image composites were, Julian days:

- 1-60
- 61-120
- 121-180
- 181-300 (because of cloud during monsoon season)
- 301-365

3. Total of 9 bands per composite image (e.g., 1-60 Julian day has 9 bands which are as follows):
bands 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and NDVI and NBR2.
4. Total of 5 bi-monthly * 9 bands = 45 band stack

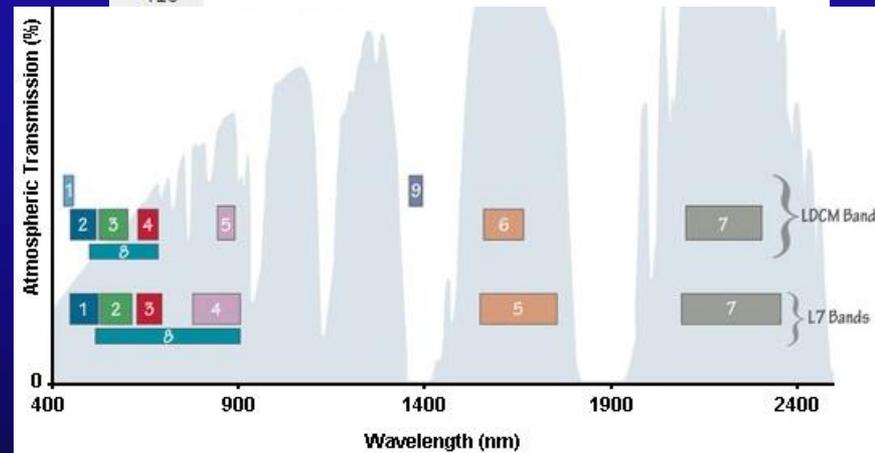
$$NBR2 = \frac{SWIR2 - SWIR1}{SWIR2 + SWIR1}$$

$$NDWI = \frac{Green - SWIR1}{Green + SWIR1}$$

Coding for composites in Google Earth Engine (GEE)

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390 //Parameters
391 var startDate = ee.Date.fromYMD(2013,1,1);
392 var endDate = ee.Date.fromYMD(2016,3,1);
393
394 var startJulian1 = 1;
395 var endJulian1 = 60;
396
397 var startJulian2 = 61;
398 var endJulian2 = 120;
399
400 var startJulian3 = 121;
401 var endJulian3 = 180;
402
403 var startJulian4 = 181;
404 var endJulian4 = 300;
405
406 var startJulian34 = 301;
407 var endJulian34 = 365;
408
409 var cloudThresh = 30;//Threshold for cloud masking
410
    
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30-m, World
VHRI Reference Data

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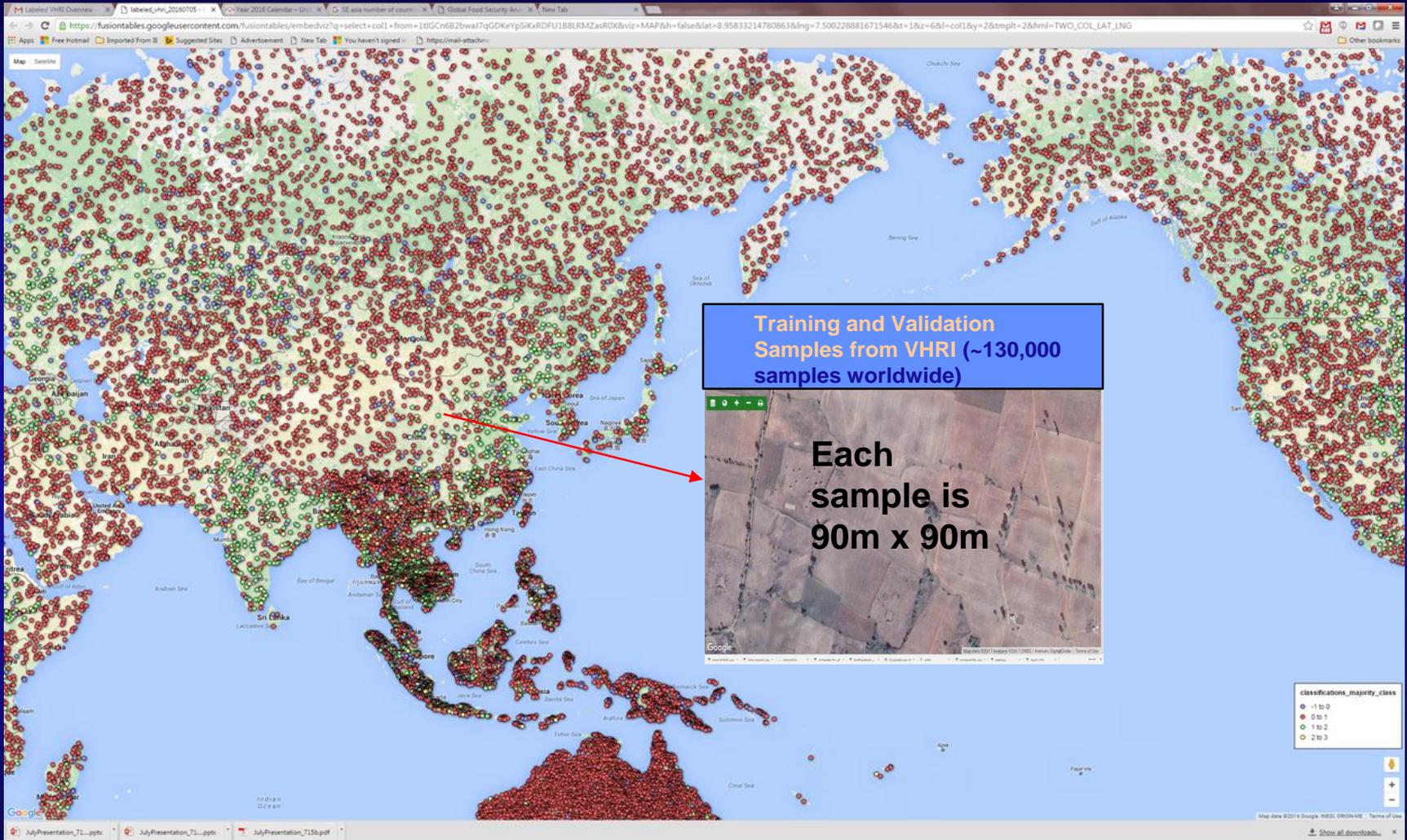


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Reference Data used for Training and Validation

e.g., sub-meter to 5-m Very High Resolution Data (VHRI) Locations



Reference Data used for Training and Validation

e.g., sub-meter to 5-m Very High Resolution Data (VHRI) Locations

Validation points generated by Justin's app on Global Croplands
Samples designated as training were only used to check the classification accuracy

Only points which were classified twice as the same class were used



Global Croplands Products Data Mobile App Methods About Account

Instructions
Select the class that matches the box within the image. Unclassifiable images, such as those obscured by clouds, should be rejected. You may need to pan the map for additional context.

Definitions
Cropland
All cultivated plants harvested for food, feed, and fiber, including plantations (e.g., orchards, vineyards, coffee, tea, rubber).
Pure
Greater than 80% of the pixels in the red box are cropland.
Mixed
Less than 80% and more than 20% of the pixels in the red box are cropland.

Downloads
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[Download CSV\(Training\)](#)

Select Class
[Pure Cropland](#)
[Mixed Cropland](#)
[Not Cropland](#)
[Maybe Cropland](#)
[Reject](#)
[Skip](#)

Keyboard Shortcuts
[c](#) Pure Cropland
[e](#) Mixed Cropland
[d](#) Not Cropland
[q](#) Maybe Cropland
[r](#) Reject
[s](#) Skip
[f](#) Zoom Out
[g](#) Zoom In

A satellite image of a field with a red bounding box. The image shows a green field with some darker patches, likely representing different types of crops or vegetation. The red box is centered on the field.

Global Food Security Support Analysis Data @ 30-m (GFSAD30) Project
Reference Data used for Training and Validation
e.g., Ground Data for Thailand



Reference Data used for Training and Validation

e.g., Ground Data for Indonesia

Java

Double crop irrigated rice



Bali

Double crop irrigated rice followed by short season crop



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30-m, World
Methods: Machine Learning
Algorithms

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Cropland Mapping Algorithms (CMAs)

Machine Learning Algorithms (MLAs) in Global Cropland Mapping

We have successfully applied a wide array of machine learning algorithms (MLAs) in this research, that have also been used successfully in automating them to apply year after year with ability to:

1. hind-cast (e.g., past years),
2. now-cast (present year), and
3. future-cast (e.g., future years):

- A. Random forest algorithms (Tatsumi et al., 2015, Gislason et al., 2006);
- B. Automated cropland classification algorithms (Thenkabail et al., 2010, Teluguntla et al., 2017);
- C. Spectral matching techniques (Thenkabail et al., 2007, Teluguntla et al., 2017)
- D. Support vector machines (Mountrakis et al., 2011);
- E. Decision Tree algorithms (Friedl and Brodley, 1997, Defries et al., 1998, Waldner et al., 2015);
- F. Linear discriminant analysis (Imani and Ghassemian, 2015);
- G. Principal component analysis, change detection analysis (Jensen, 2000);
- H. kMeans, Isoclass clustering (Duveiller et al., 2015, Jensen et al., 2000);
- I. Classification and Regression Tree (CART) (Egotov et al., 2015, Deng and Wu, 2013);
- J. Tree-based regression algorithm (Ozdogan and Gutman, 2008);
- K. Phenology based methods (Dong et al., 2015);
- L. Fourier harmonic analysis (Zhang, 2015, Geerken et al., 2005);



Cropland Mapping Algorithms (CMAs)

Machine Learning Algorithms (MLAs) in Global Cropland Mapping

Cropland mapping

1. Linear mixture model for monitoring rice crop intensity (Chen et al., 2012);
2. Automated annual cropland mapping (Waldner et al., 2015);
3. Automated computational methodology to extract agricultural crop fields (Yan and Roy, 2016);
4. Supervised classification (Egorov et al., 2015);
5. integration of pixel- and object-based methods with knowledge (POK-based) (Chen et al., 2015);
6. A spatial-temporal consistency model, Maximum a Posteriori Markov Random Fields (MAP-MRF) (Wang et al., 2015);
7. Phenological approaches in cropland versus rangeland mapping (Jaganathan et al., 2014, Begue et al., 2014, Gumma et al., 2014);
8. automated computational methodology to extract agricultural crop fields (Yan and Roy, 2014);

Irrigated versus Rainfed

1. Random forest model for analyzing irrigated crop rotation patterns (Conrad et al., 2016);
2. Random forest for identification of irrigated areas (Peña-Arancibia et al., 2014);



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Crop Type Mapping

1. Crop type mapping using time-series vegetation index data (Brown et al., 2013);
2. Phenology based paddy rice mapping algorithm (Zhou et al., 2016, Zhang et al., 2015);
3. support vector machine classifier with polynomial function kernel (pSVM) for mapping crop types (Vaudour et al., 2015);
4. pixel- and phenology-based algorithm are used to map paddy rice planting area (Qun et al., 2015, Gumma et al., 2014);
5. C5.0 tree classifier is applied to identify main crop types and grassland based on the input imagery and the derived seasonality indices (Esch et al., 2014);
6. phenology-based classification method was developed to map corn and soybean in multiple years using training data limited to a single year (Zhong et al., 2014)

Cropping Intensity Mapping

1. double-cropping croplands mapping methodology for time series datasets through continuous wavelet transform (Qiu et al., 2014);
2. Automated mapping of vegetation trends with polynomials using NDVI imagery (Jamali et al., 2014);

Croplands versus Cropland Fallows

1. Random forest algorithm for mapping abandoned farmlands (Estel et al., 2015);
2. scalable satellite-based crop yield mapper (Lobell et al., 2015);



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Croplands *versus* Non-Croplands Methodology Application (First example)

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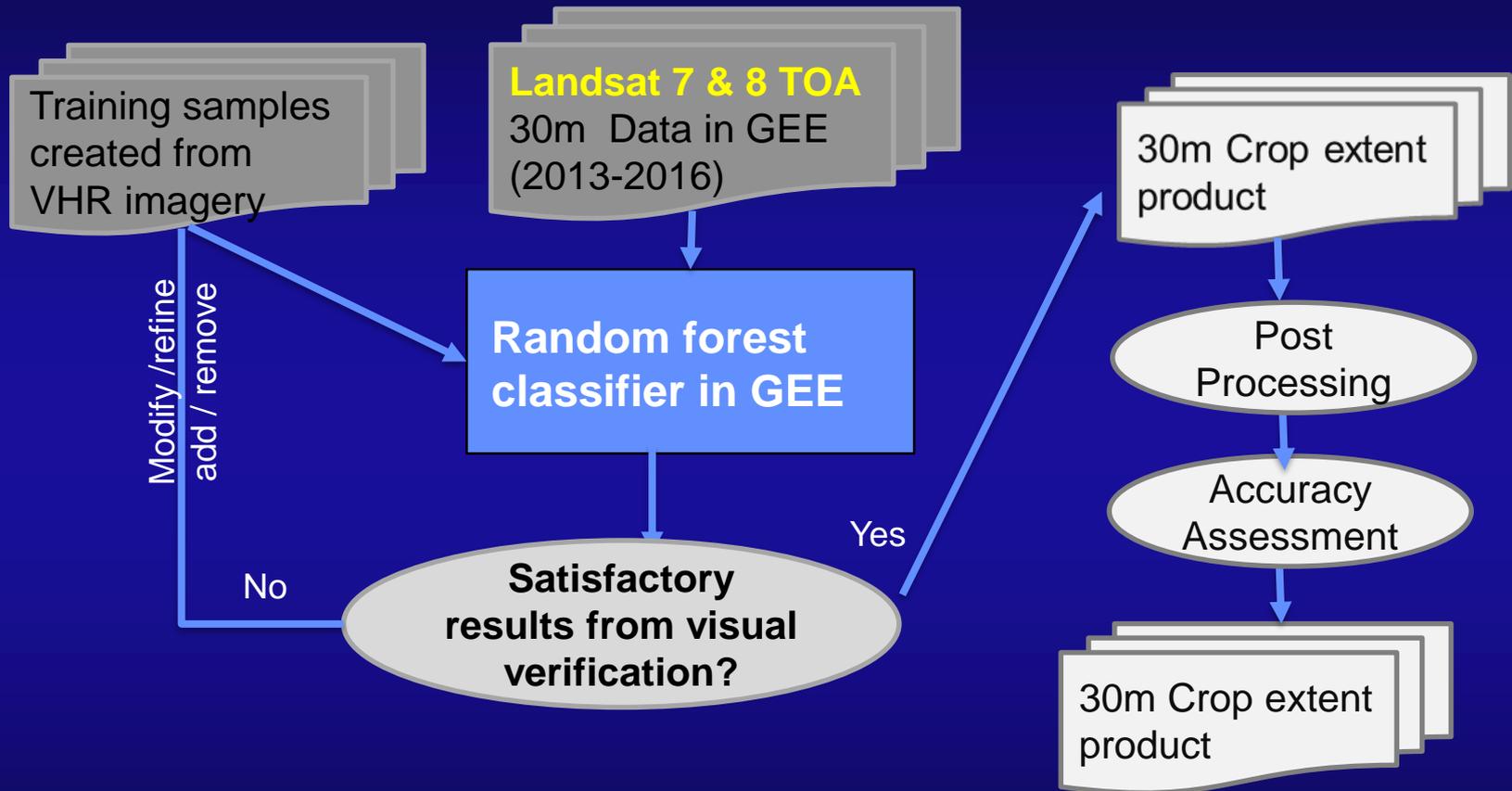
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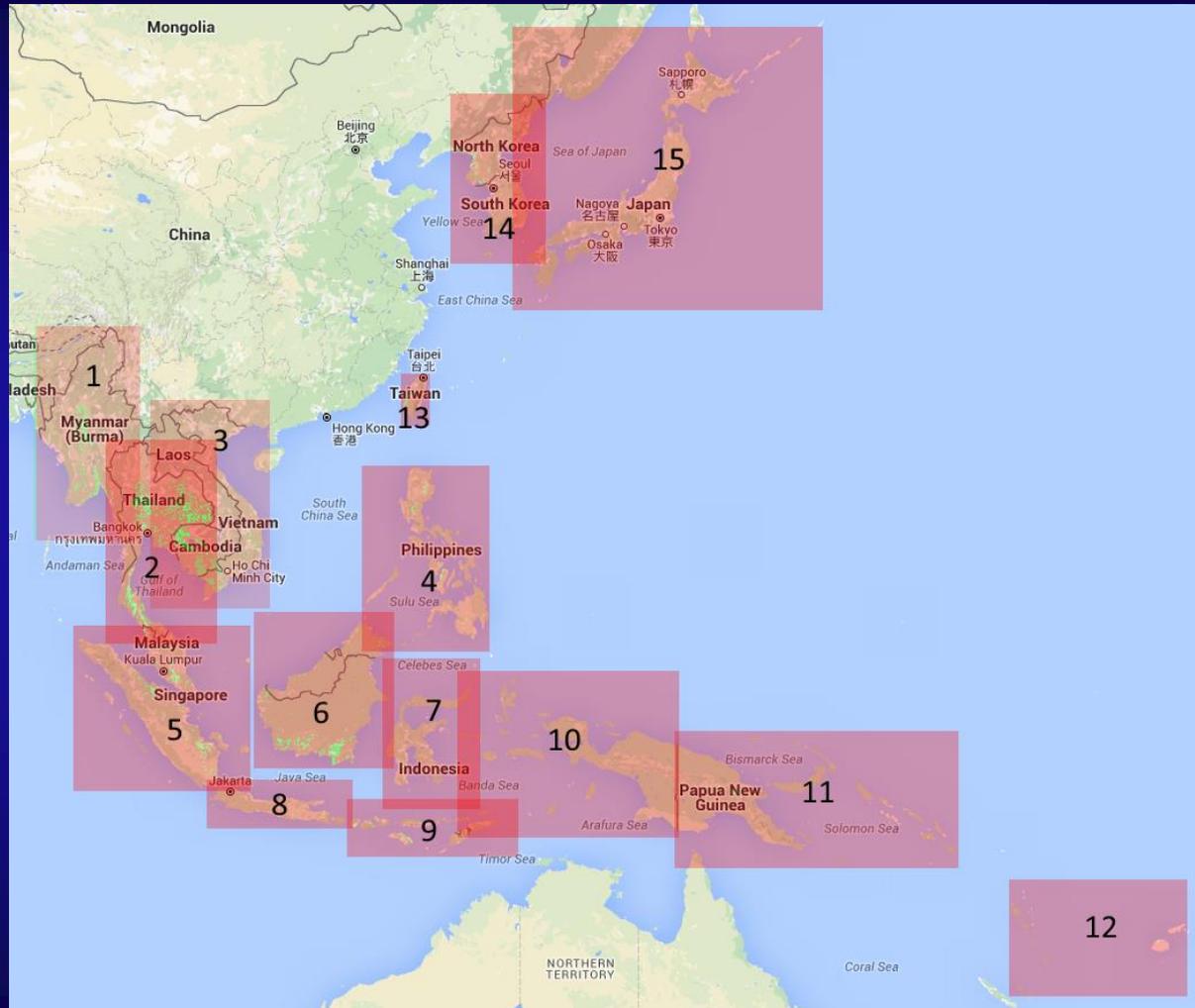
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Methodology FlowChart for Random Forest to Classify Croplands *versus* Non-croplands @ 30-m



Stratification into Sub-Regions (e.g., SE Asia, Japan, N&S Korea) to Classify Croplands *versus* Non-croplands @ 30-m



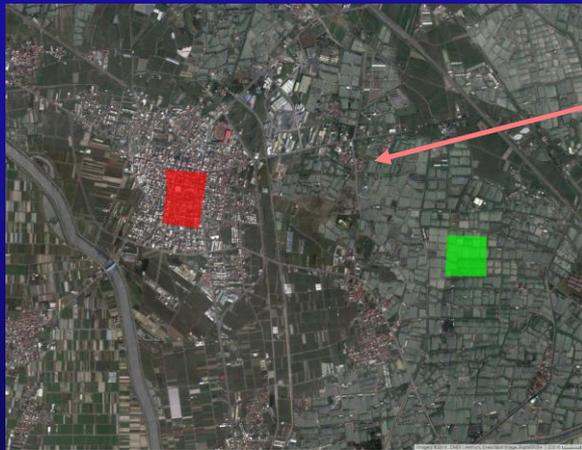
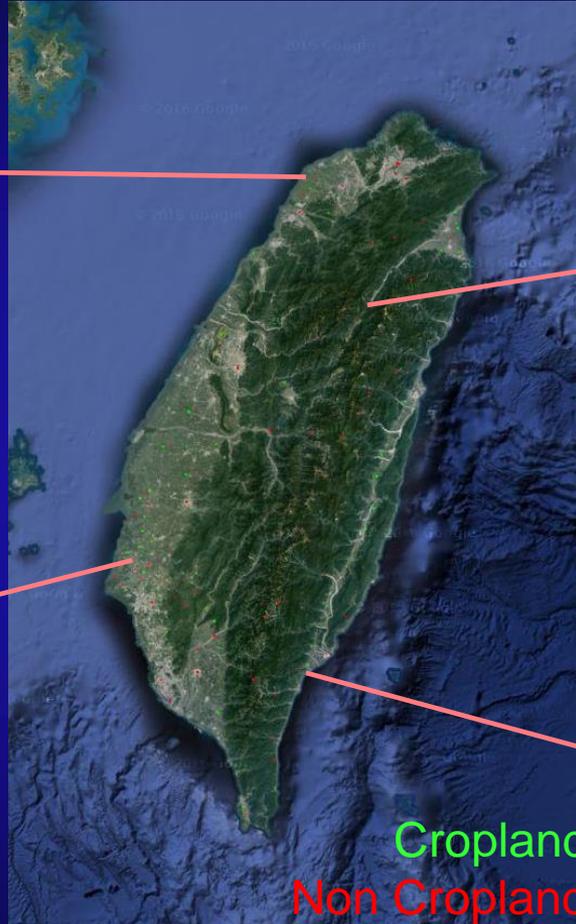
Zones

1. Myanmar
2. Thailand
3. Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia
4. Philippines
5. Sumatra & Malaysia
6. Kalimantan & Malaysia
7. Sulawesi
8. Java & Bali
9. Indonesia & East Timor
10. Papua Indonesia
11. Papua New Guinea & Solomon Islands
12. Vanuatu & Fiji
13. Taiwan
14. South & North Korea
15. Japan

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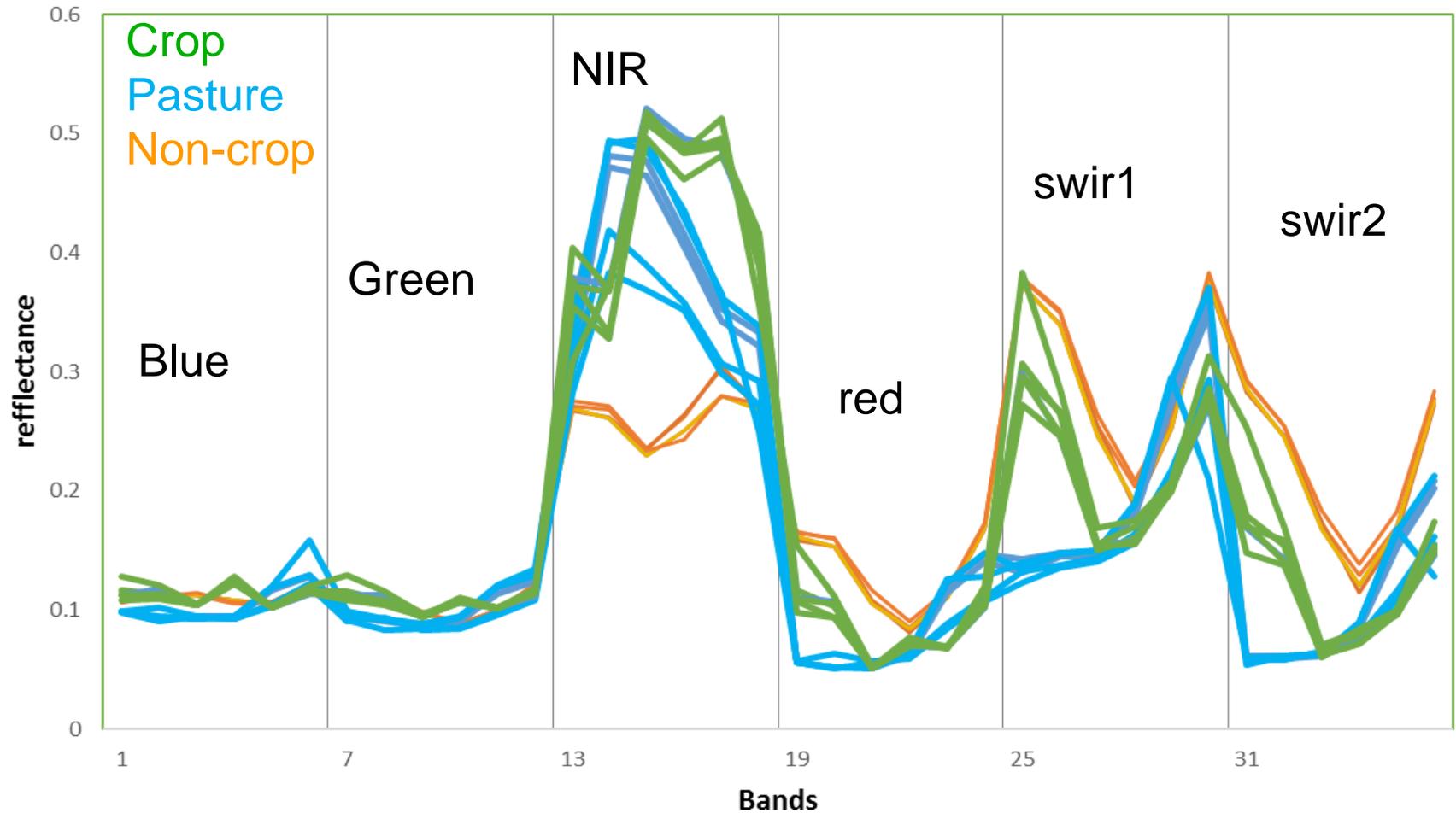
Training Sample Selection for Random Forest Algorithm to Train Croplands *versus* Non-croplands @ 30-m (e.g., Taiwan)



Cropland
Non Cropland

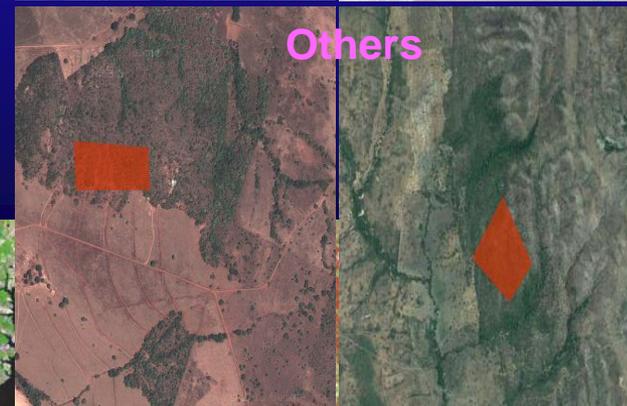


Knowledge Generation for Random Forest Algorithm to Derive Croplands versus Non-croplands @ 30-m

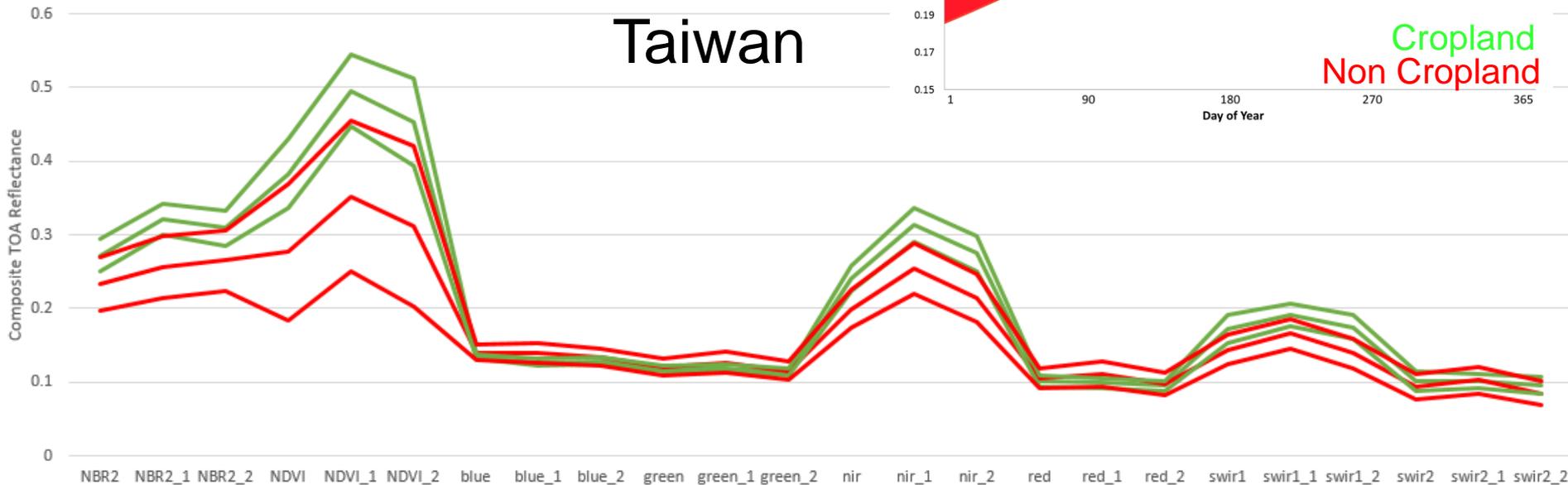
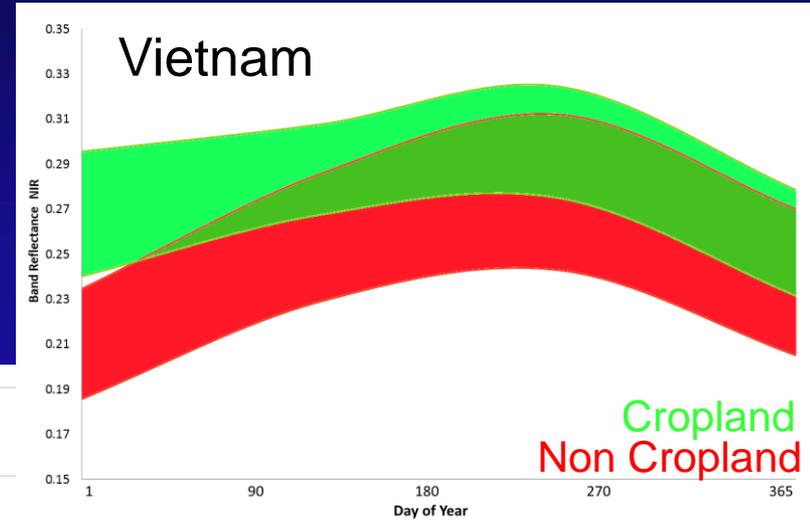


Training Sample Selection for Random Forest Algorithm to Train Croplands *versus* Non-croplands @ 30-m (e.g., Argentina)

- Land cover classes:
Cropland, **Fallow**, **Others**
- Homogeneous polygons
- Selection system:
 - a. Random selection
 - b. Manually selection
- Reference data
 - Very high resolution imagery (VHRI): <5-m;
 - Ground data;
 - Other reliable and accurate products (e.g., USDA CDL);



Knowledge Generation for Random Forest Algorithm to Derive Croplands versus Non-croplands @ 30-m (e.g., Taiwan)

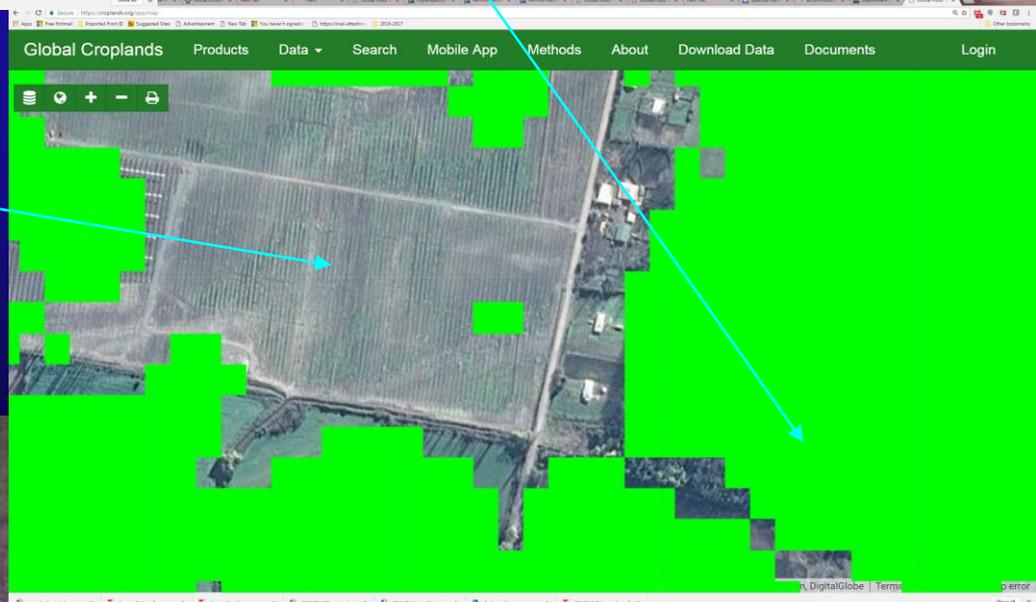
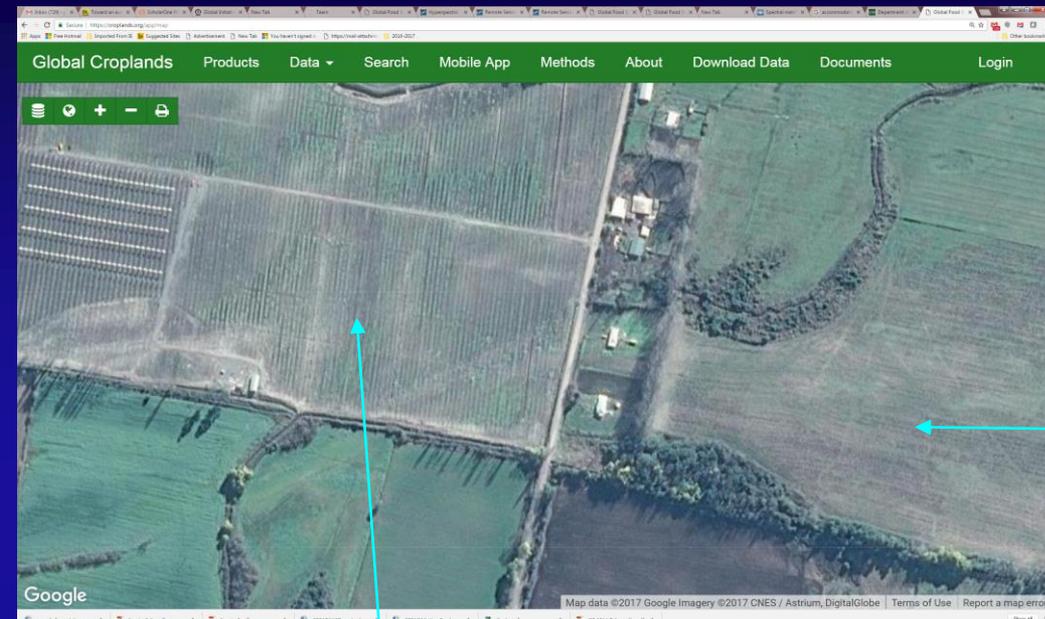


Iterations for Random Forest Algorithm to Improve Croplands *versus* Non-croplands @ 30-m (e.g., Chile)

Iterations: In such scenarios, mask out correctly mapped croplands and work on rest of the area to capture missing croplands....several iterations are required before all croplands are captured

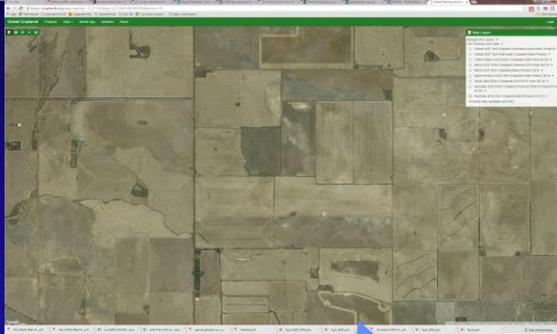
Croplands mapped as croplands

Croplands missing



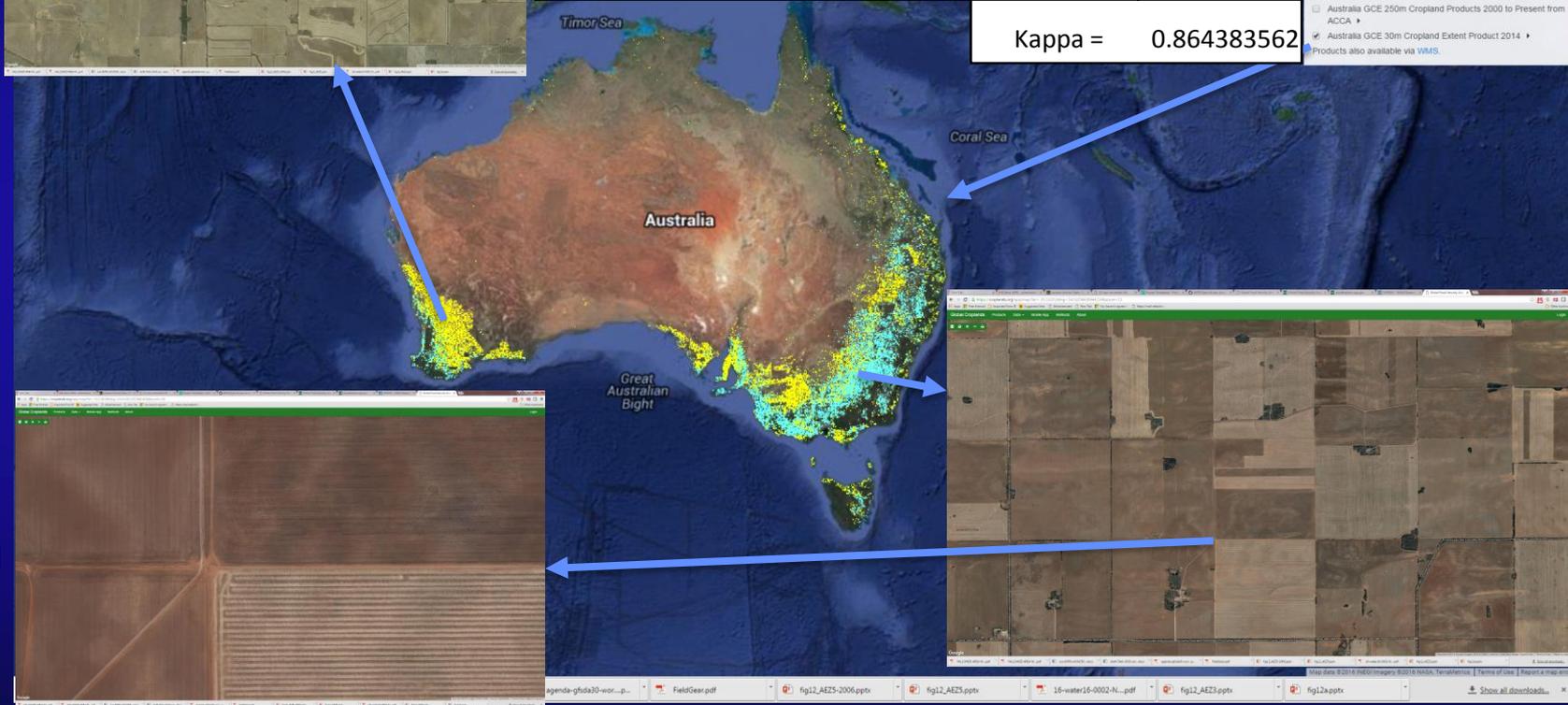
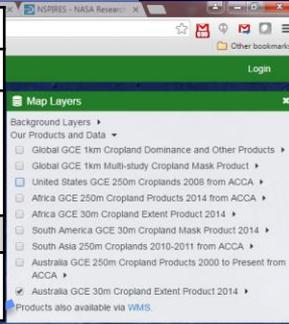
Croplands versus Non-croplands (e.g., Australia) @ 30-m - Final Product

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		Reference Data		Total	User Accuracy
		Cropland	No-Crop		
Map Data	Cropland	79	21	100	79.00%
	No-Crop	1	799	800	99.88%
Sum Points		80	820	900	
Producer Accuracy		98.75%	97.44%		97.56%

Kappa = 0.864383562



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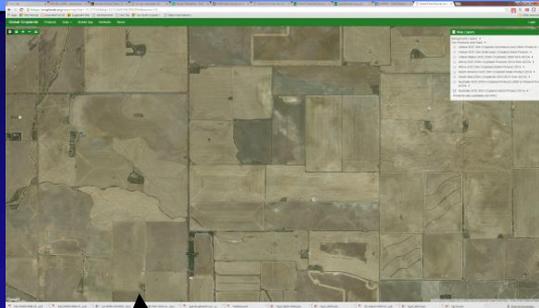
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Automated algorithm:

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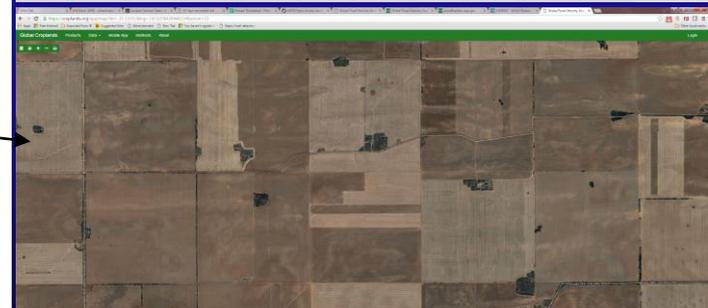
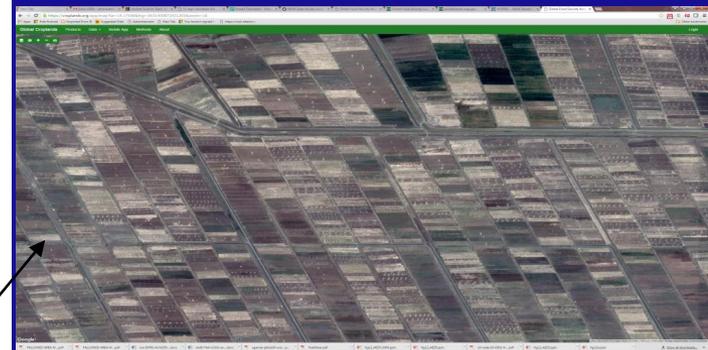
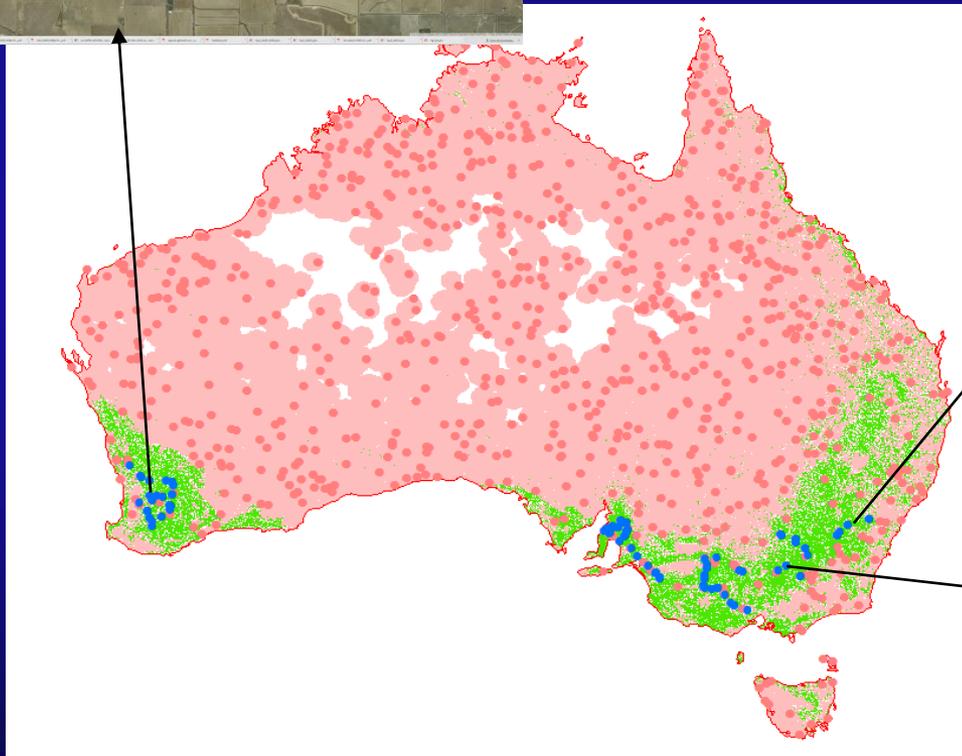
Croplands versus Non-croplands (e.g., Australia) @ 30-m – Accuracy Error Matrix

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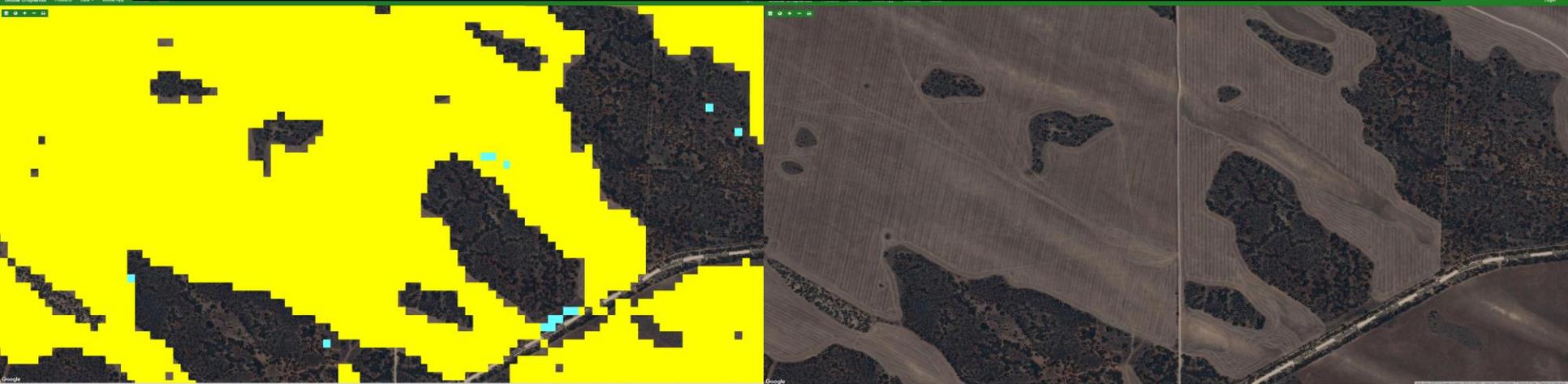
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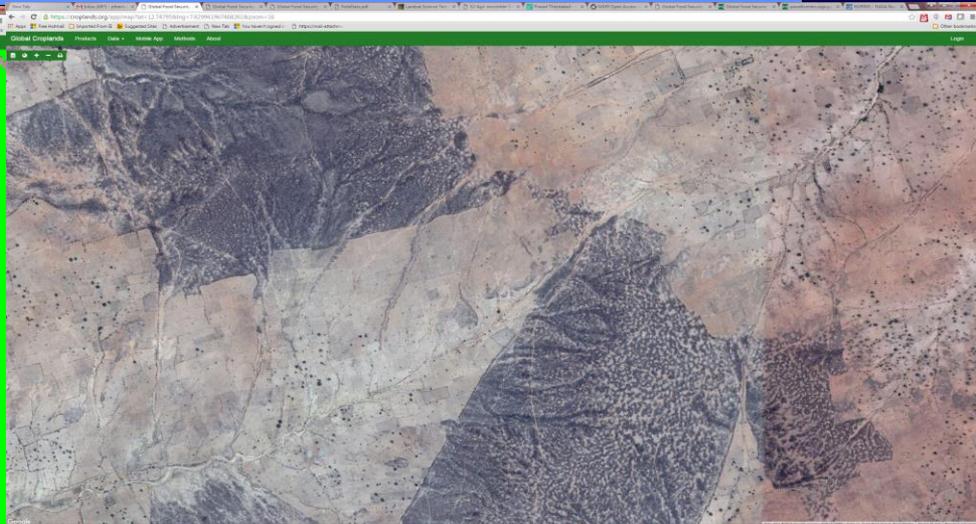
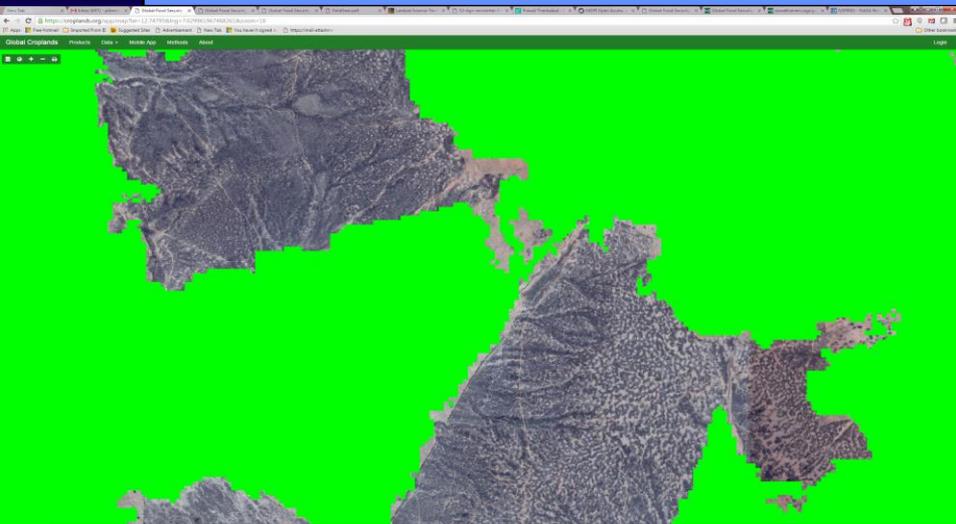


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Croplands *versus* Non-Croplands Methodology Application (second example)

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Approach for Africa Using Ensemble Classifiers

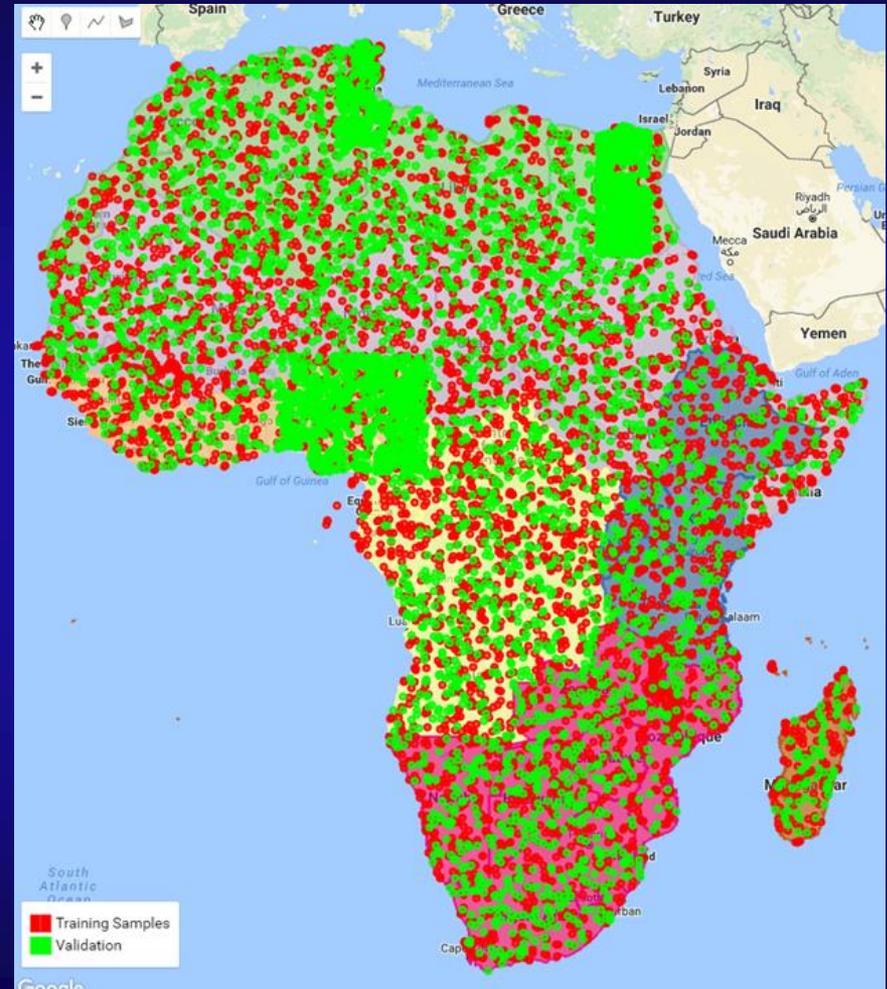
Croplands *versus* Non-croplands @ 30-m

Same training were used as previous version

Classifiers:

1. Random Forest
2. SVM
3. CART
4. HSEG

Output: 0, 1, 2, 3



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Croplands *versus* Non-Croplands Results: 30-m Global

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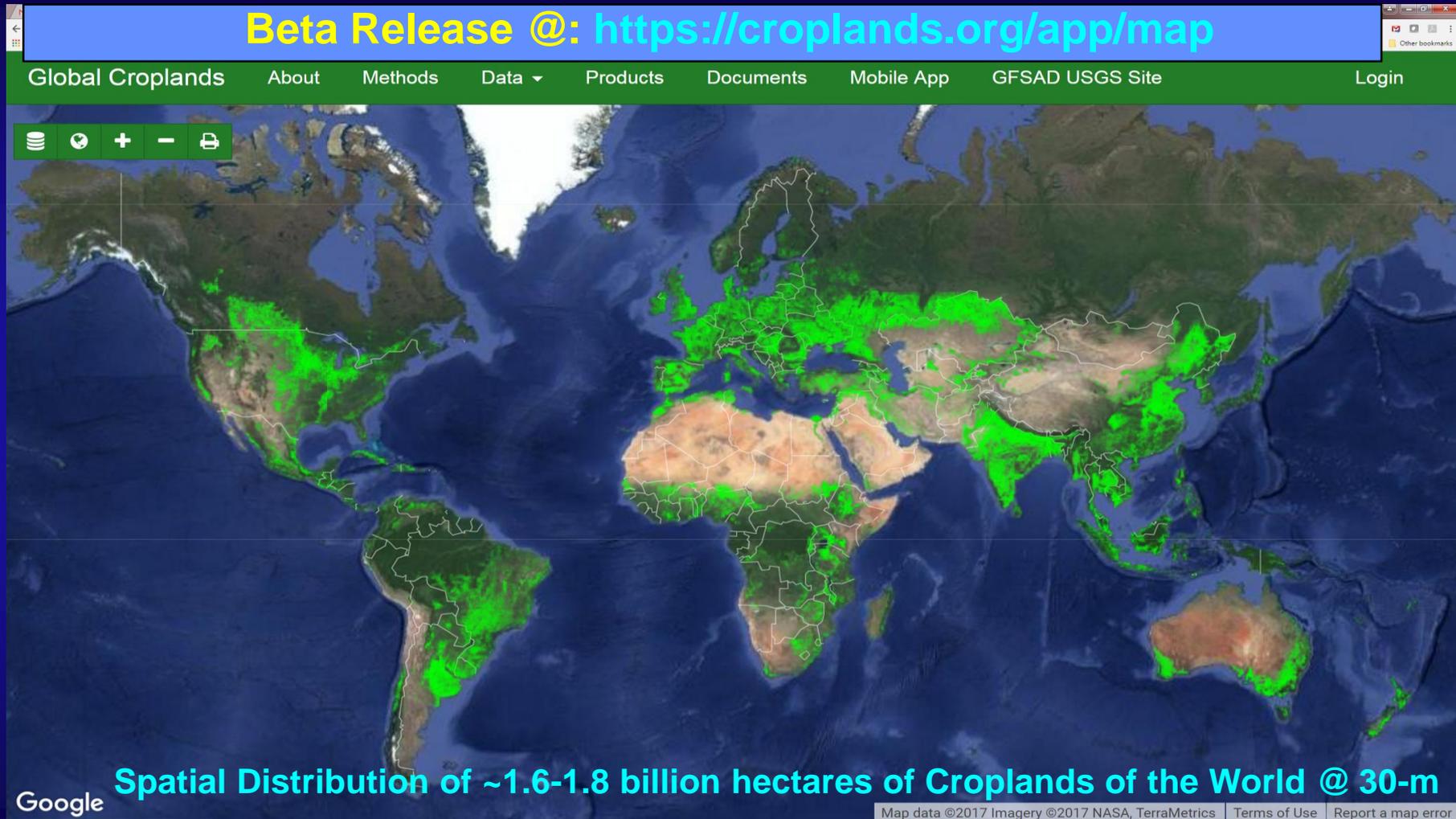
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Spatial Distribution of ~1.6 billion hectares of Croplands of the World @ 30-m

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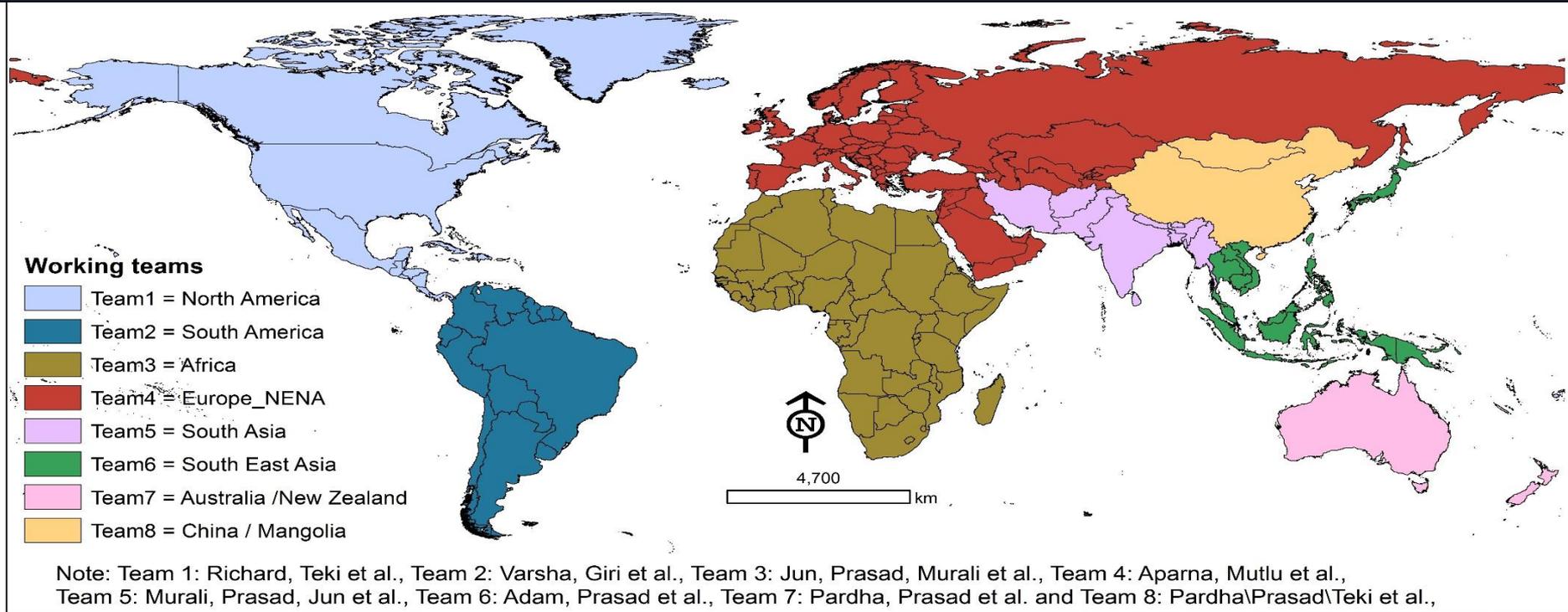
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Over next three days, Every Team will make detailed presentation of their work for continents\study areas that include: (a) datasets used, (b) approaches taken, (c) methods adopted and/or developed, (d) results, (e) accuracies, (f) products, (g) access, (h) manuscripts.



Food for Thought

“It is now 14 years since I first suggested that organic farming might have some benefits and ought to be taken seriously. I shall never forget the vehemence of the reaction, much of it coming from the sort of people who regard agriculture as an industrial process, with production as the sole yardstick of success”

- Prince Charles, on Sept. 18th, 2009

