Open Source, Scale and Reproducibility Using GIS: Discovering the World Beyond Point-and-Click and ArcGIS

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Homo-œconomicus...or Economic Man

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Plan for today

1. The Big Bang
2. The Dark Ages
3. The Age of Discovery
4. The Modern Era
5. The Future
6. Q&A

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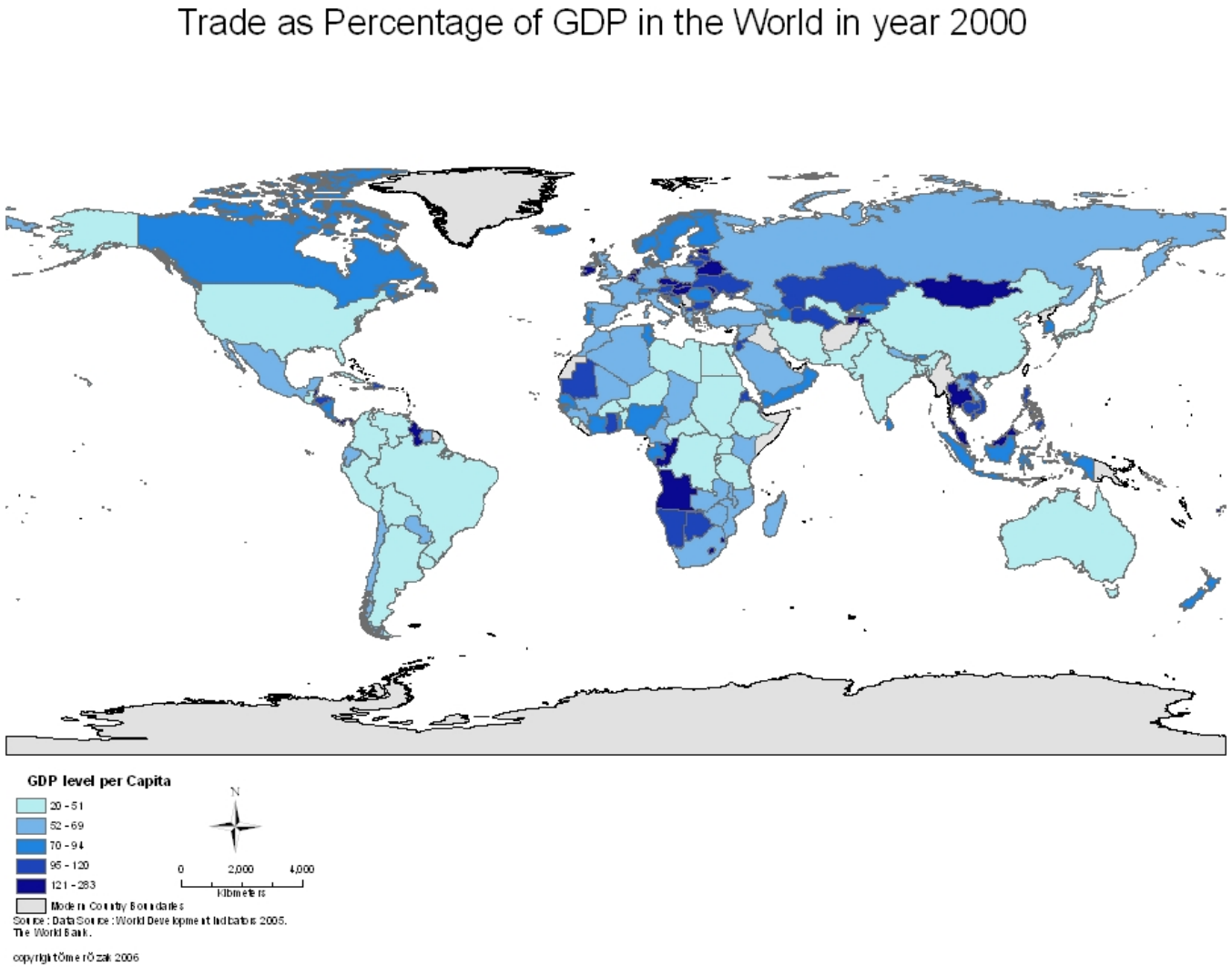
My First Map (True!) – Trade as share of GDP



Initiative for Spatial Literacy - GIS@SMU

- Resources for learning GIS at SMU
  - Data
  - Courses
  - Workshops & Events
  - Email list gis_support@smu.edu
  - Super friendly & dedicated library staff and faculty
    - Sylvia Jones, Science Research Librarian
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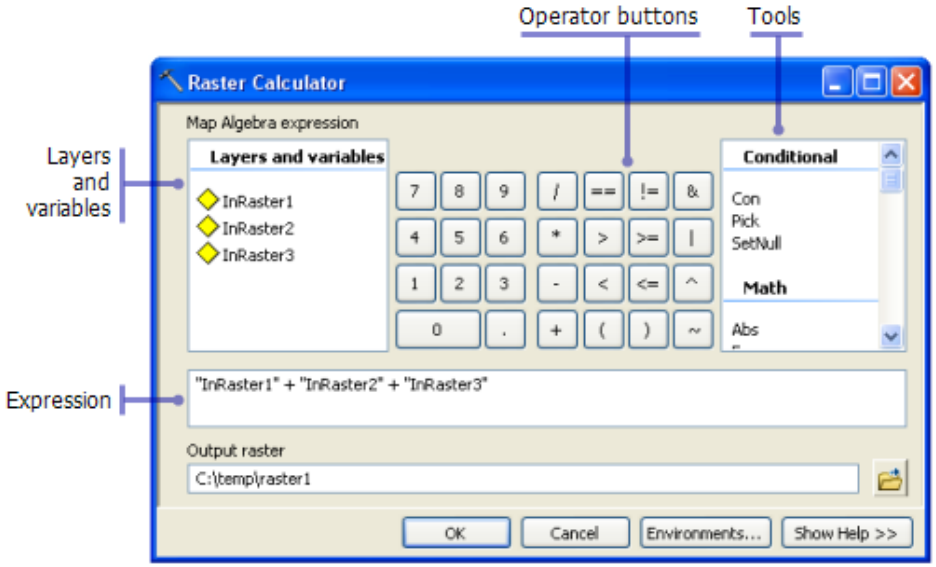
- Raster Calculator



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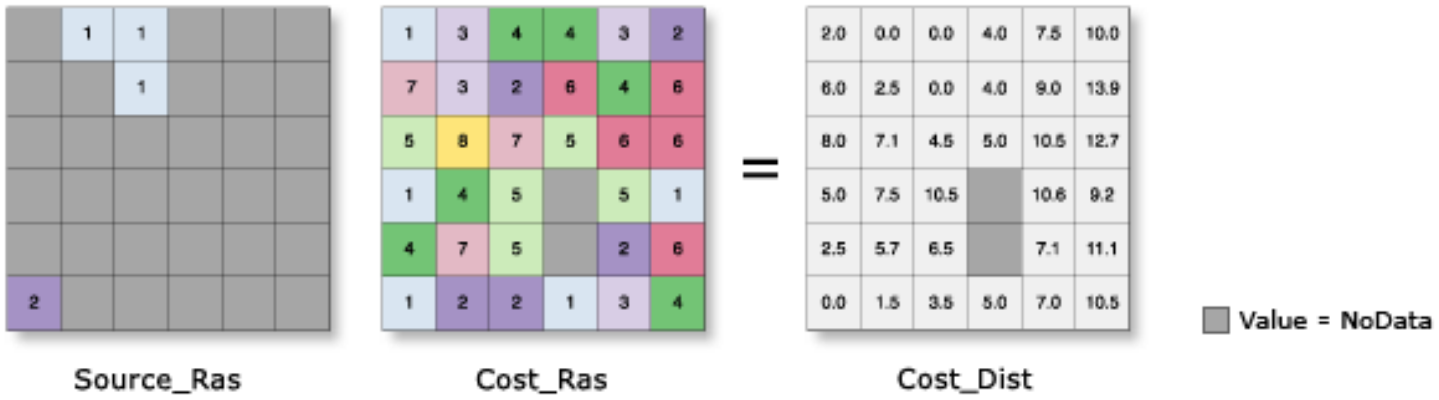

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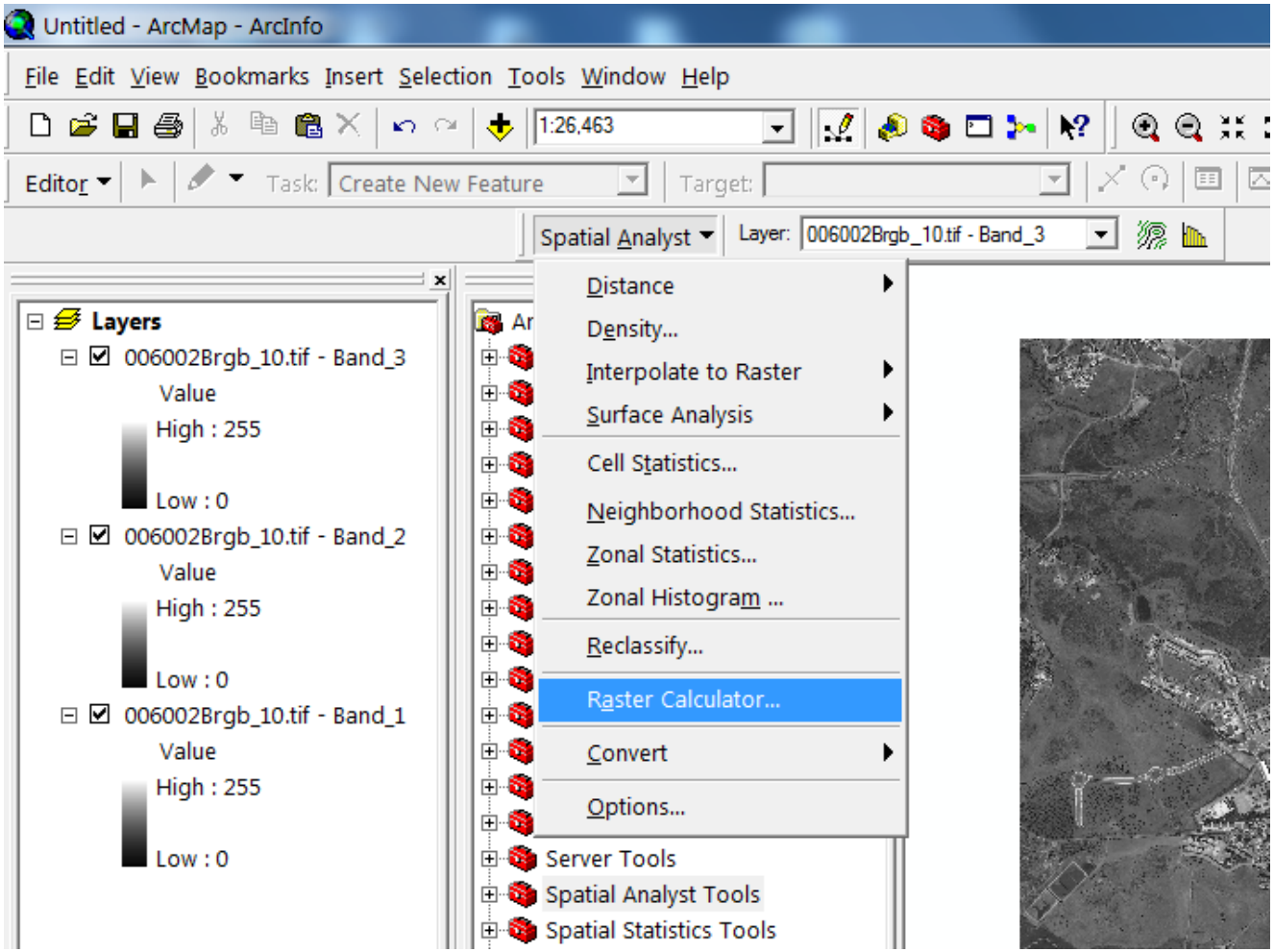

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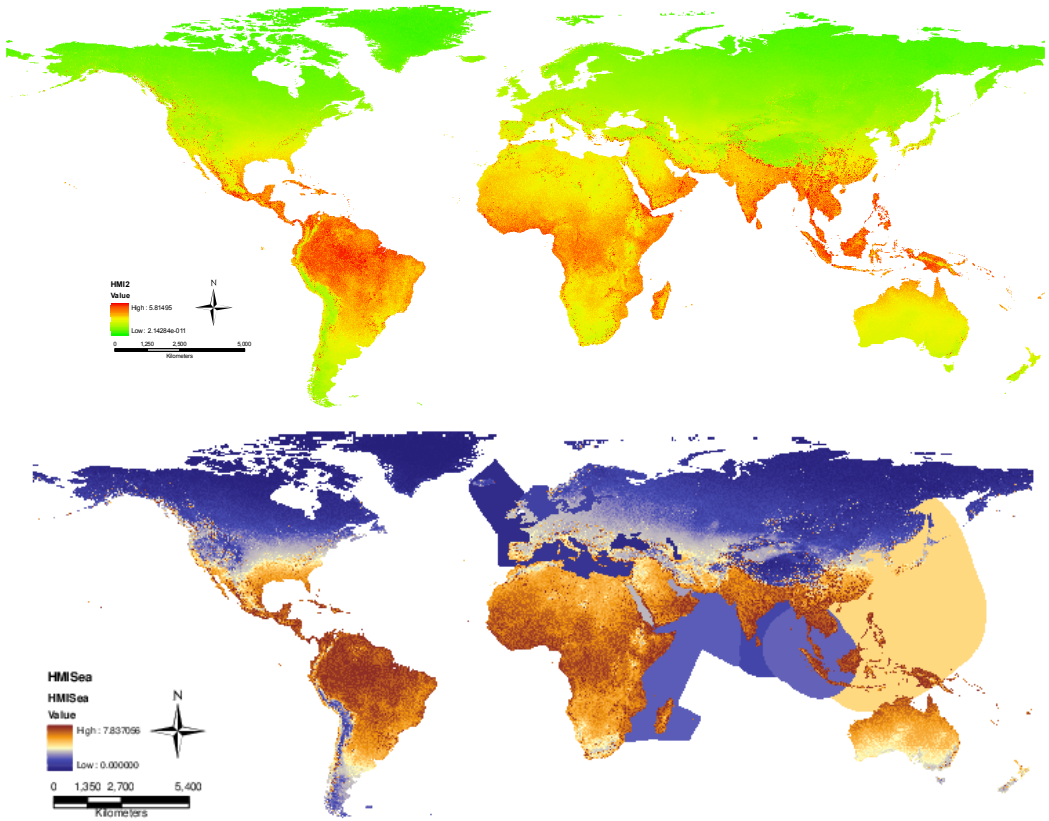
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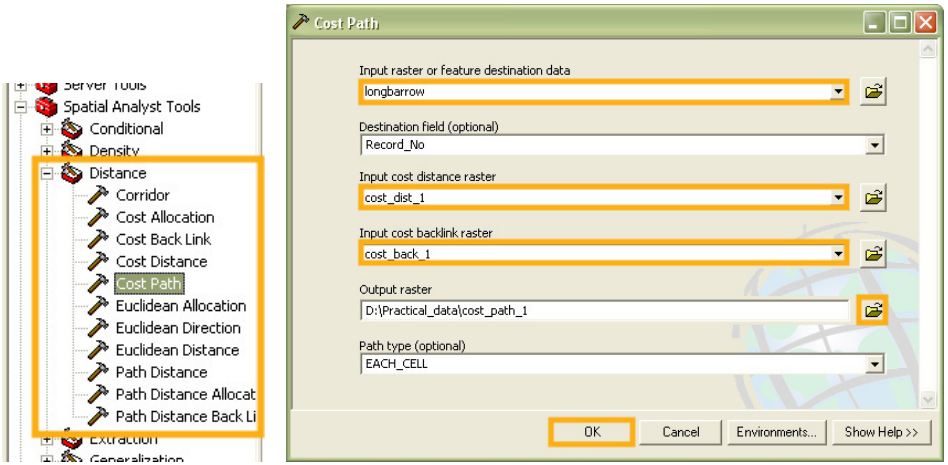

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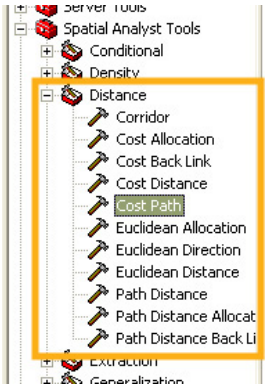

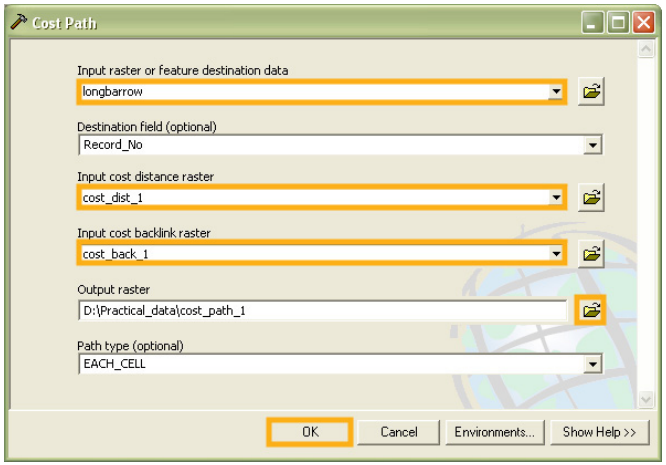

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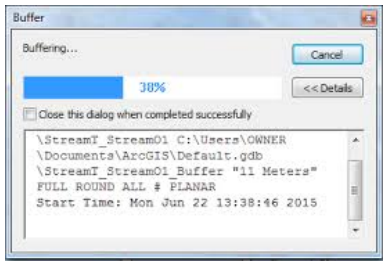

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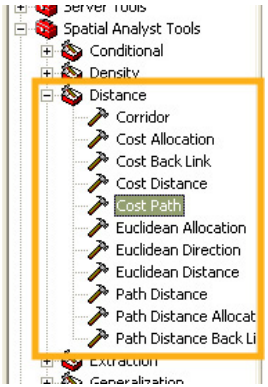

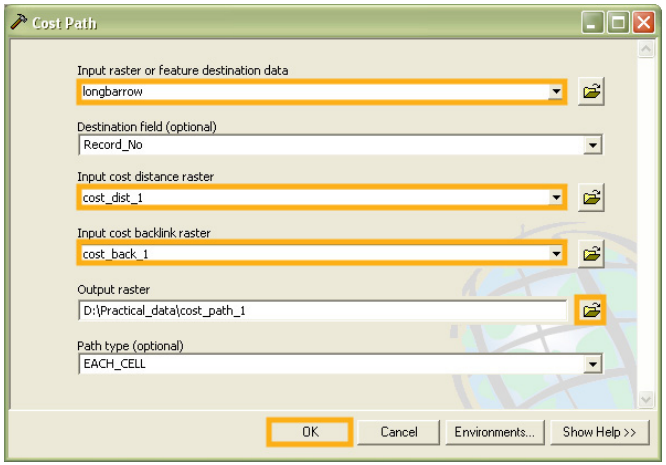

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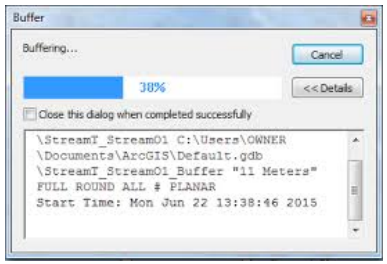

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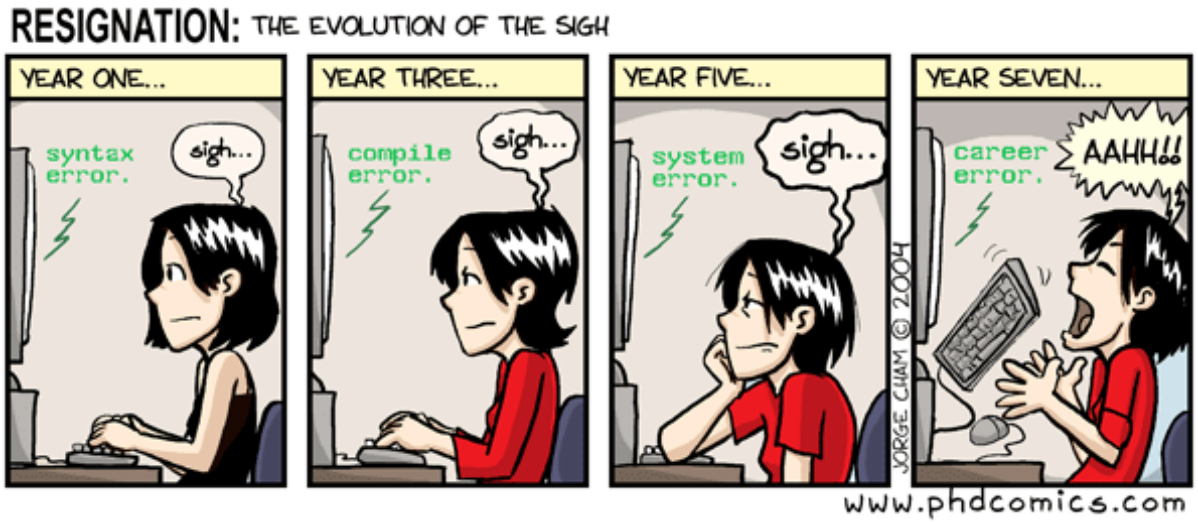
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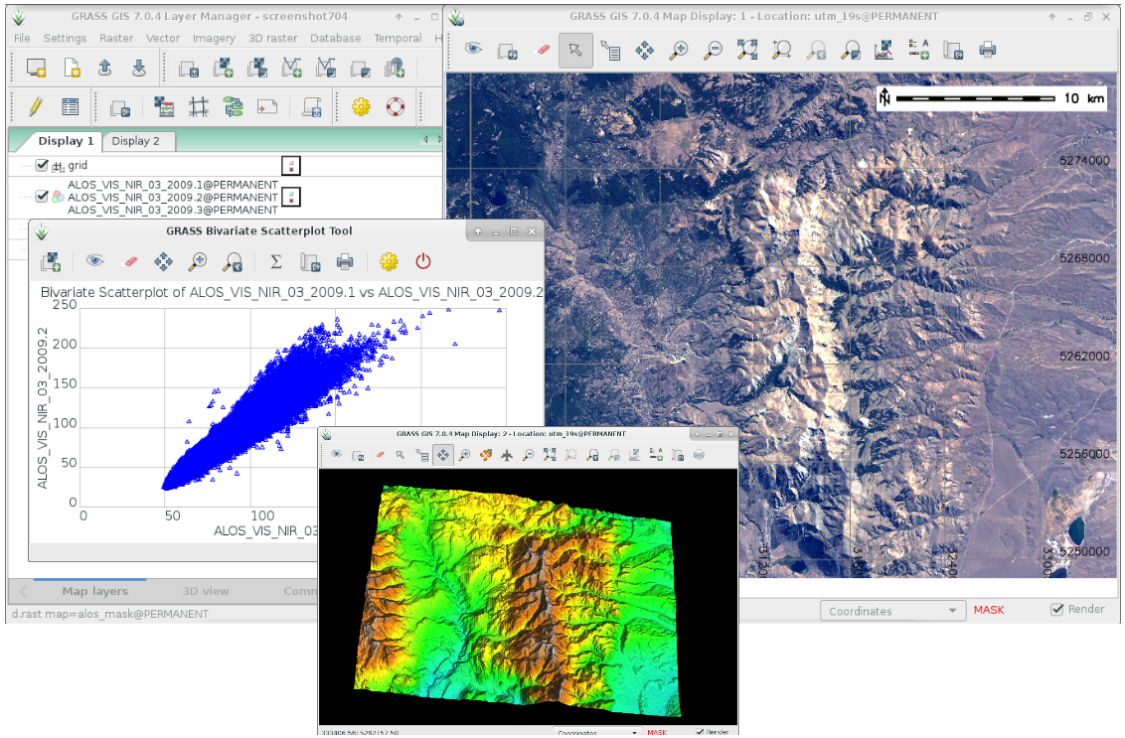

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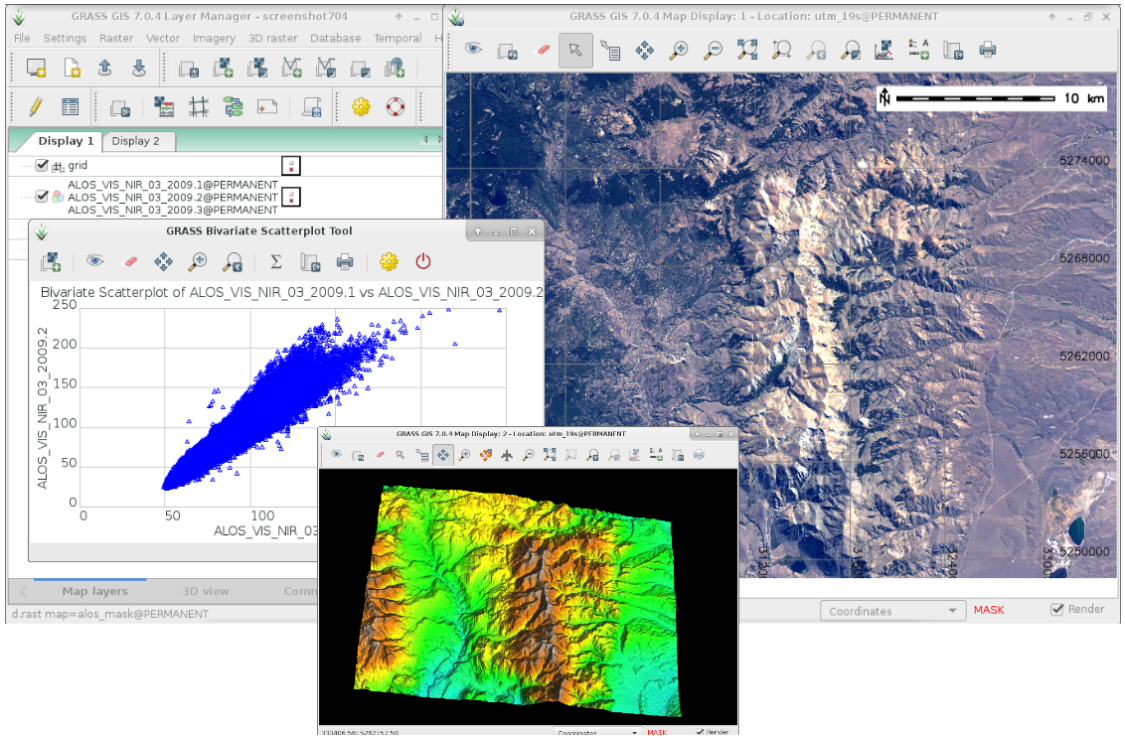

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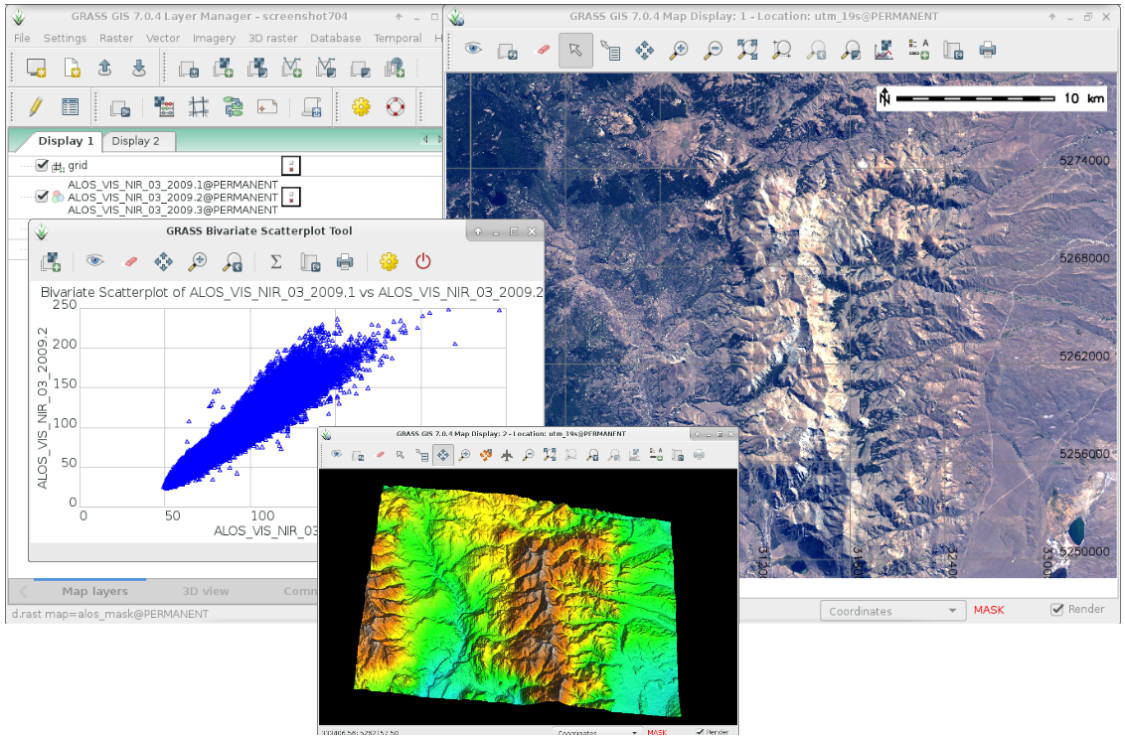

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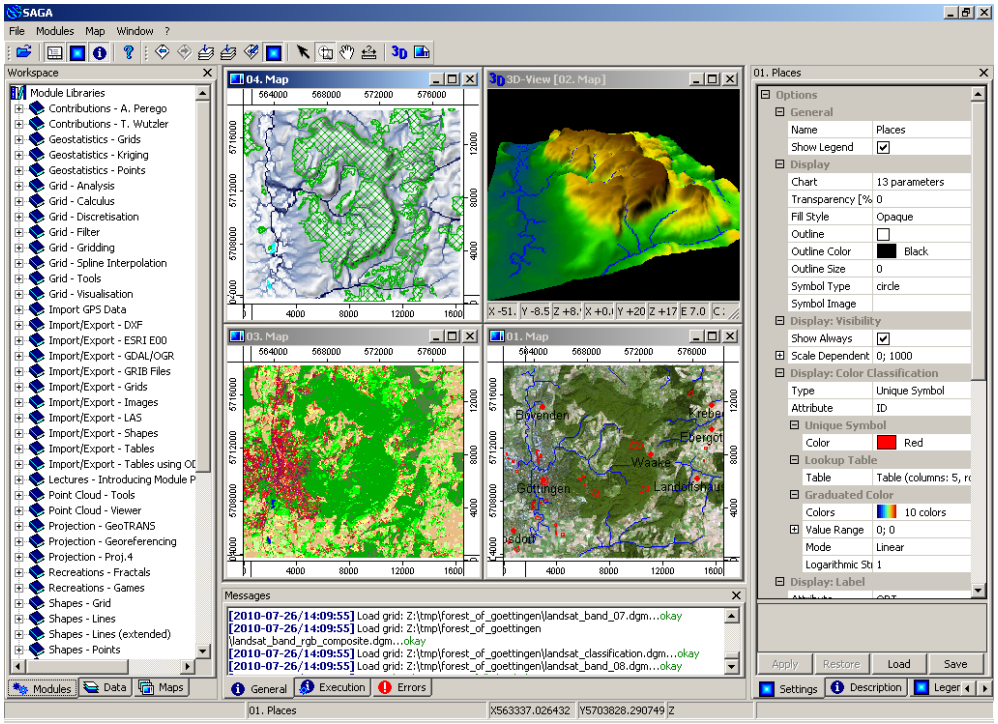

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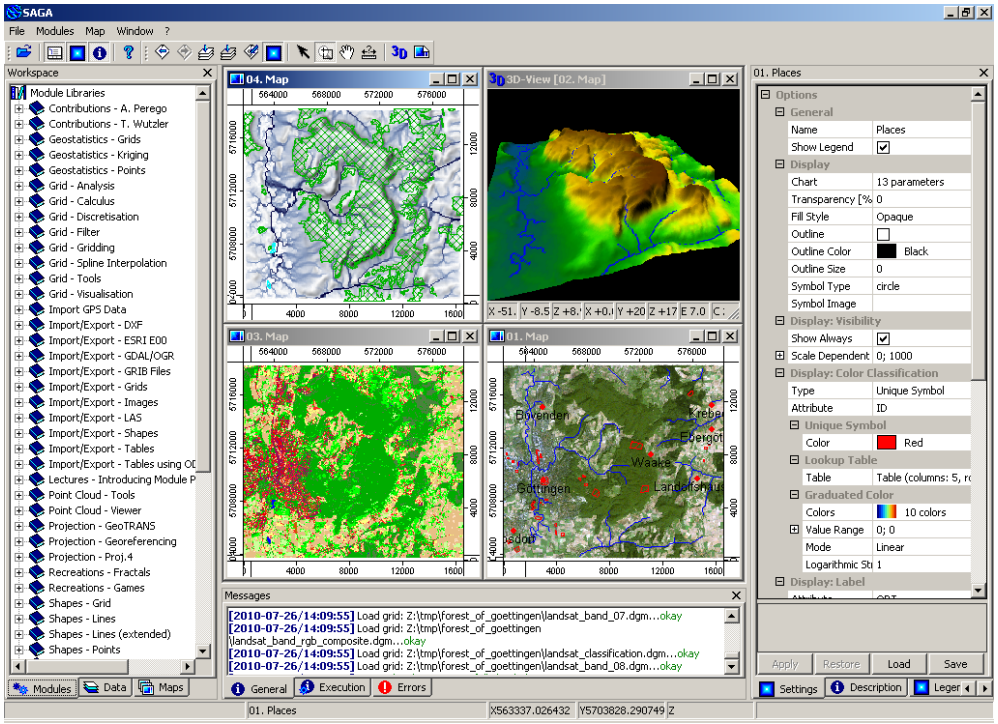

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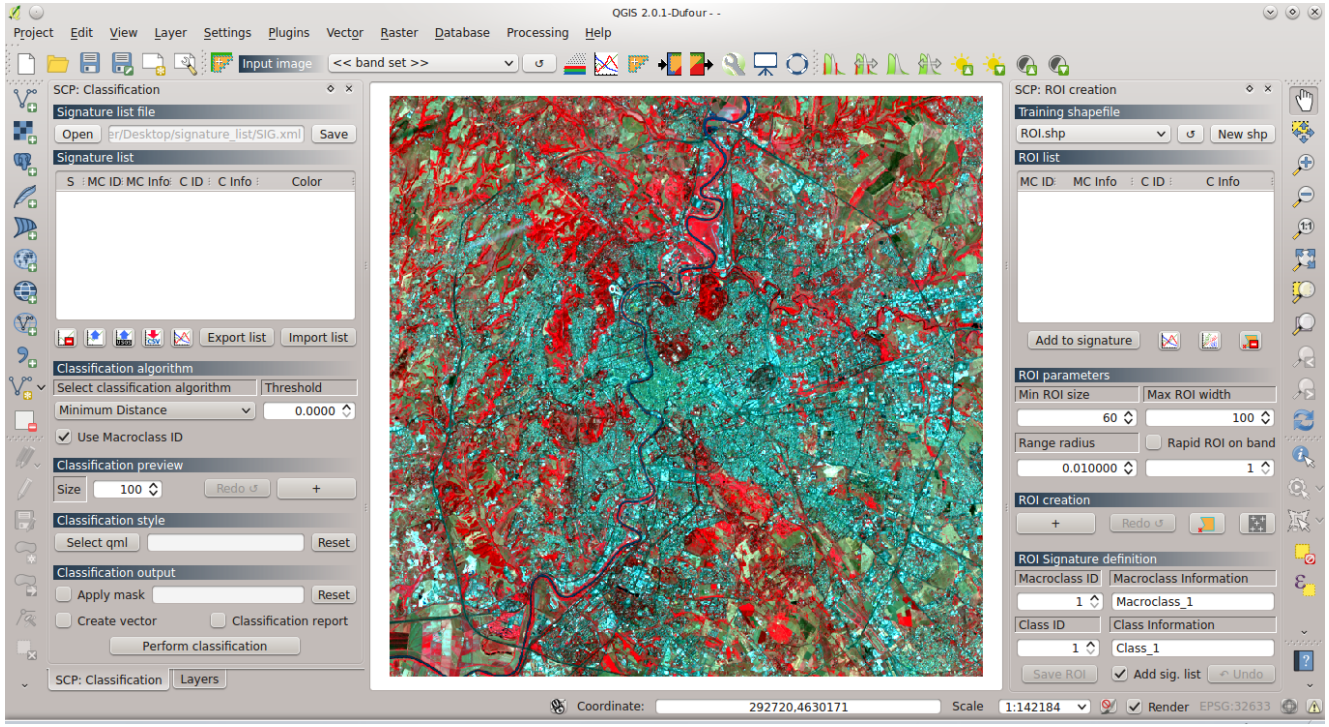

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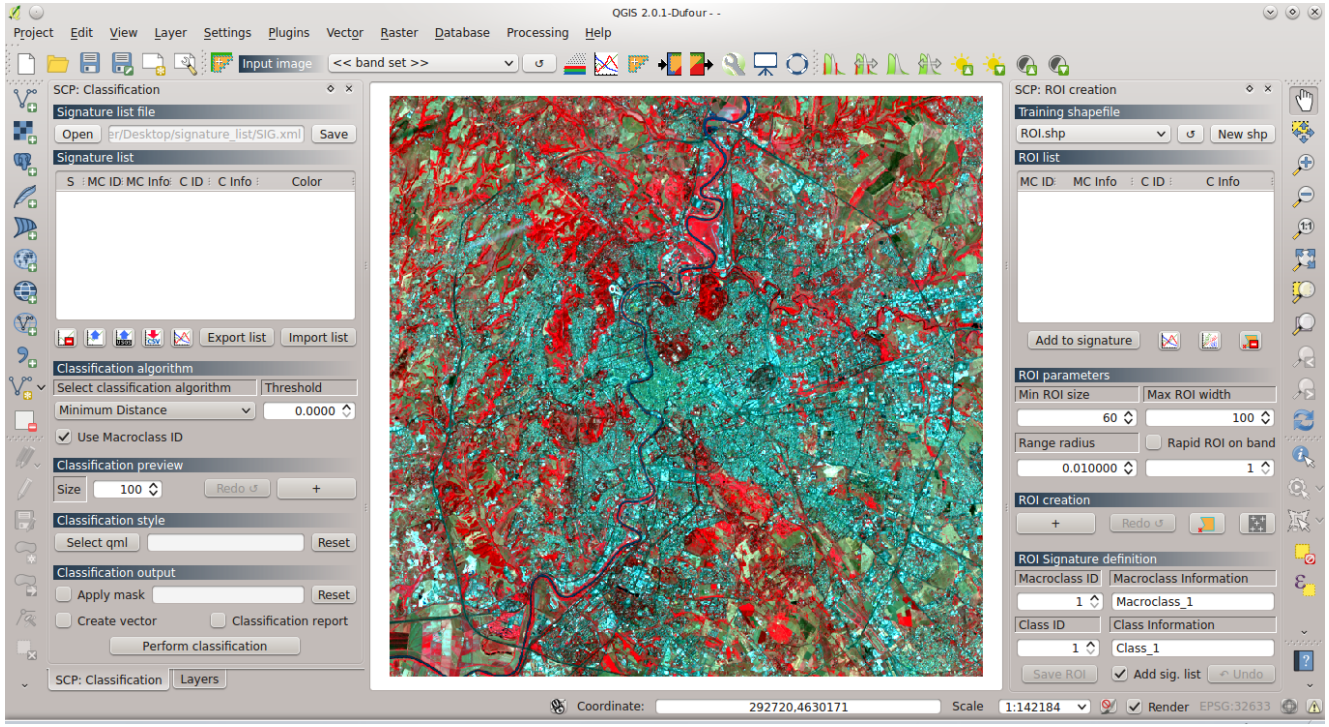

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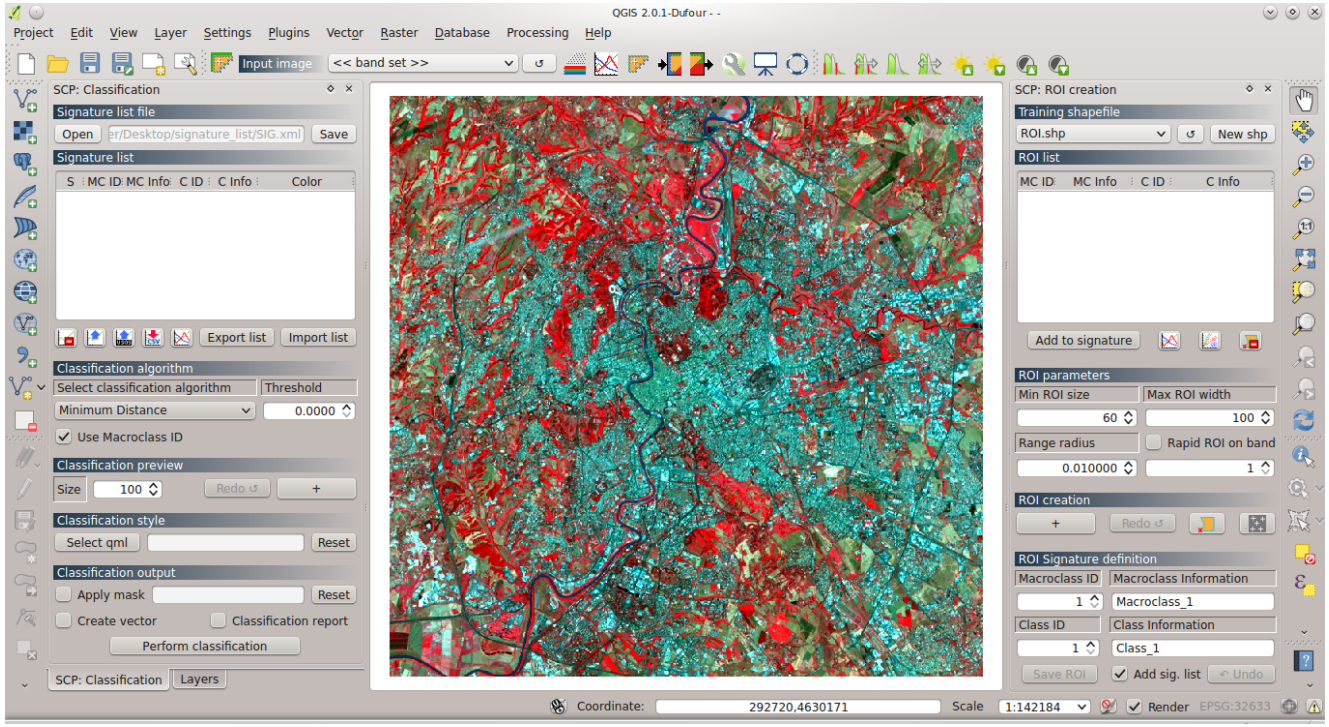

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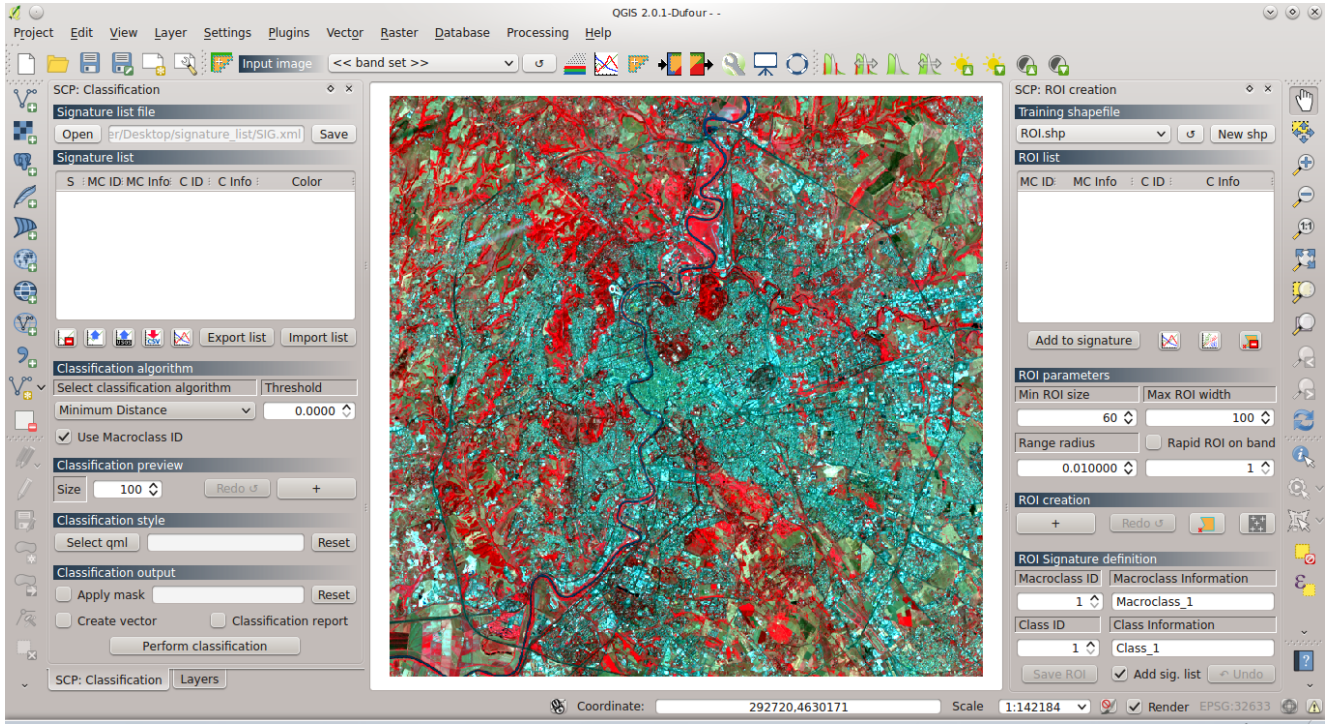

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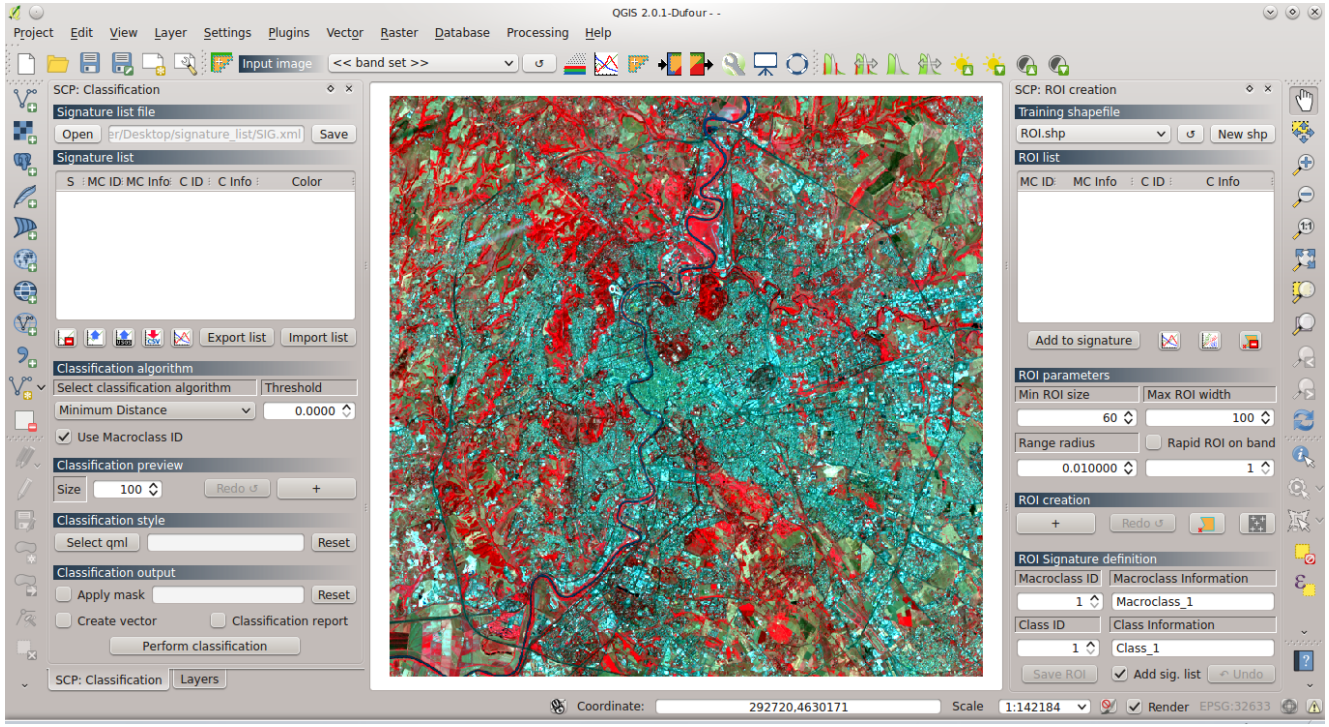

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Python 2.7.3 (default, Jul 10 2012, 18:48:25)
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IPython 0.13.1 -- An enhanced Interactive Python.
?         -> Introduction and overview of IPython's features.
%quickref -> Quick reference.
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In [1]: import numpy as np

In [2]: N = 3000

In [3]: a = np.random.randn(N,N)

In [4]: b = np.random.randn(N,N)

In [5]: np.do
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In [5]: np.dot(a, b)
Out[5]:
array([[  65.45670109,   64.96918252, -120.2955101 , ...,   46.52919413,
           1.62384273, -117.27453077],
       [ 103.8332094 ,  -63.19741333,   25.63850851, ...,   10.43730591,
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In [6]: %timeit np.dot(a,b)
1 loops, best of 3: 2.17 s per loop

In [7]: np.
Display all 551 possibilities? (y or n)
np.ALLOW_THREADS          np.convolve               np.iscomplex              np.ravel
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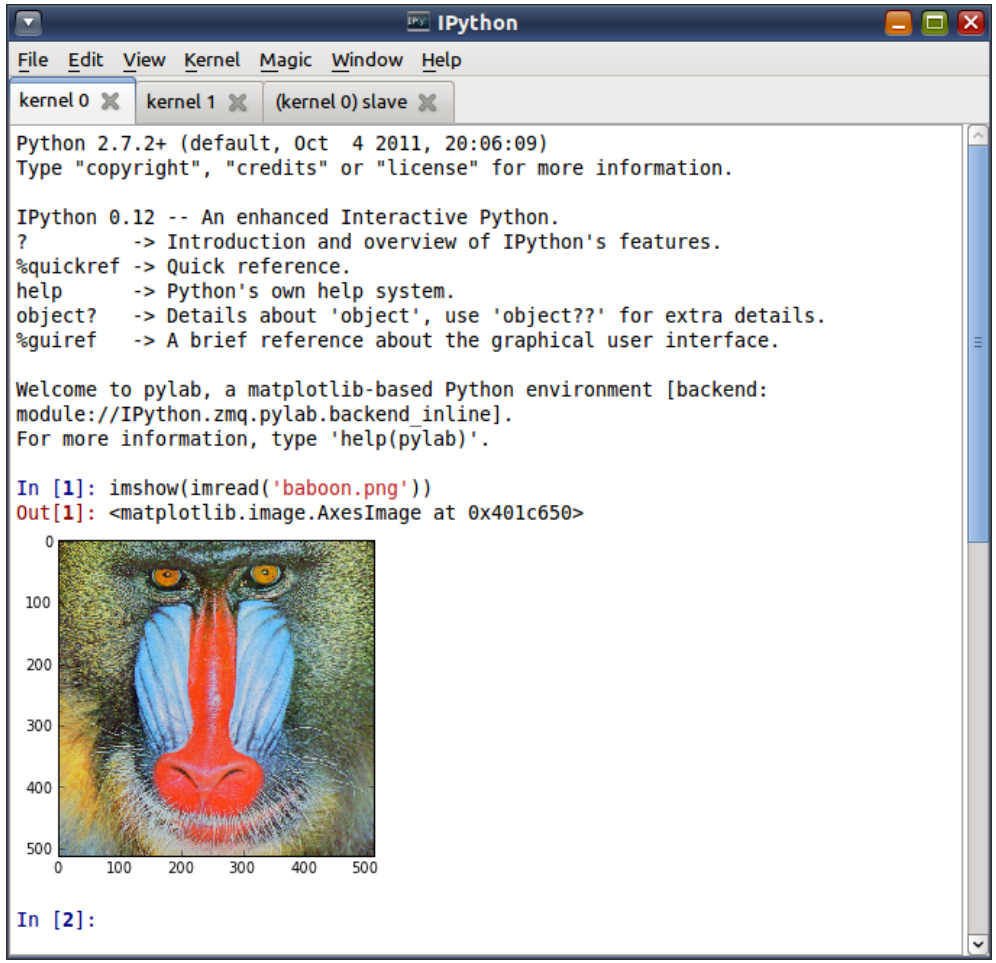

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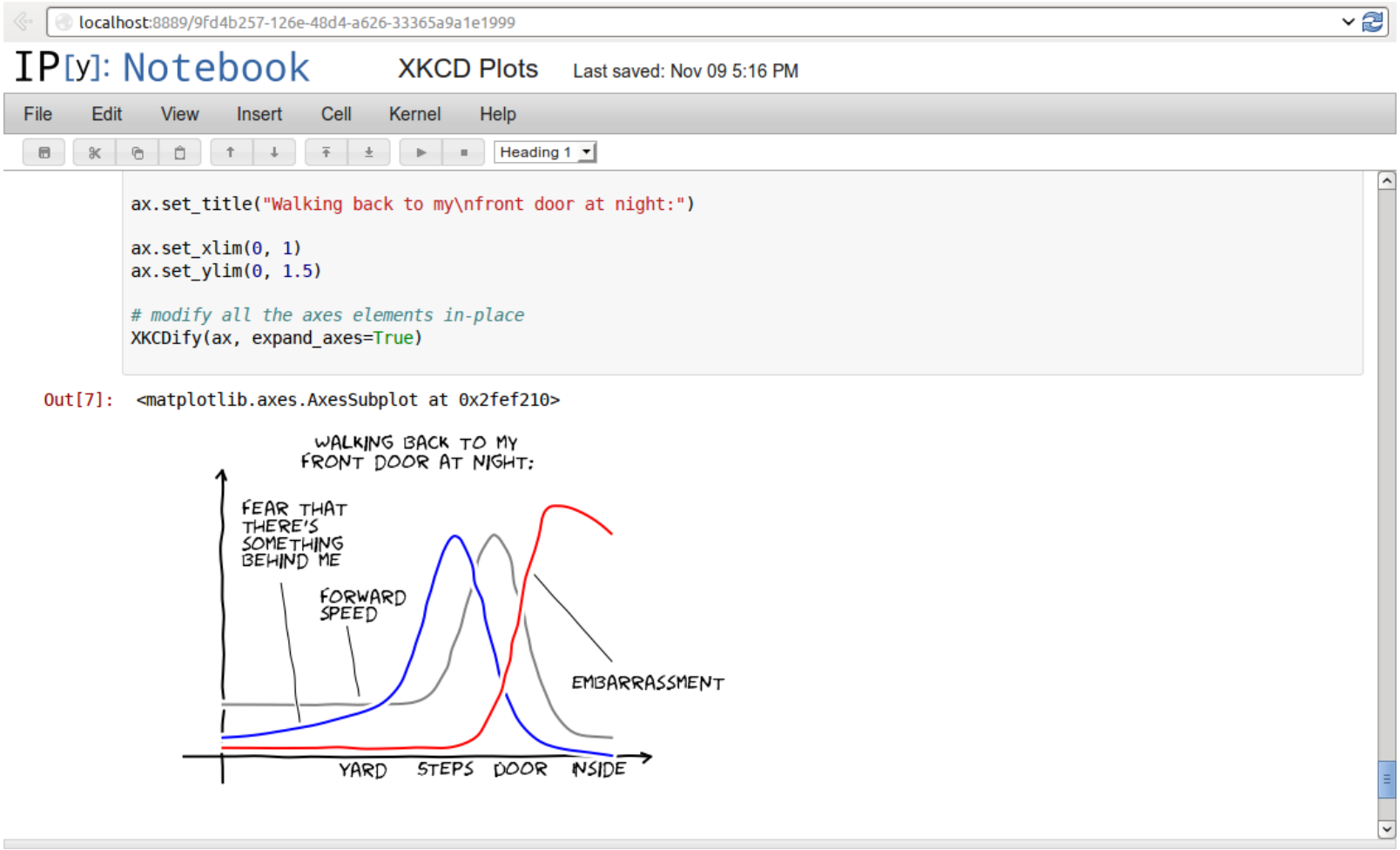

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'''
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Python Script Template
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from __future__ import division
import sys, os, time
# Math, data
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
pd.set_option('display.width', 140)

# GIS packages
#from osgeo import  ogr, osr, gdal, gdalnumeric
#from gdalconst import *
#from PIL import Image, ImageDraw
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Example: Compute Zonal Stats II

```
#from pyGDsandbox.dataIO import df2dbf, dbf2df
#from rasterstats import zonal_stats
#import shutil, glob
#import pysal as ps
#from pysal.contrib import shapely_ext
#import shapely
from shapely.geometry import Polygon, Point
#from shapely.wkt import loads, dumps
#from shapely.ops import cascaded_union
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import hmi
#import fiona
import geopandas as gp
#import geopandas.tools as gpt
#from geopandas.tools import sjoin
from geopy.distance import great_circle
import geostats

# Various other packages
```

Example: Compute Zonal Stats III

```
import isounidecode          # Decode and encode text

# Directory
try:
    %cd Islam
except:
    path = os.path.abspath(__file__)
    dir_path = os.path.dirname(path)
    os.chdir(dir_path)
    %bookmark Islam

# Buffer size in meters
buf = 50000

# Set paths
path='../../data/'
if not os.path.exists(path):
    os.mkdir(path)
pathout='../../data/GIS/Cities/'
if not os.path.exists(pathout):
```

Example: Compute Zonal Stats IV

```
    os.mkdir(pathout)

# Geographical characteristics of each Ethnicity in a Buffer of buffer kms
cities = pd.read_stata(path+'AllCities.dta')
cities['geometry'] = cities.apply(lambda x: Point(x.lon, x.lat), axis=1)
cities.drop('aaanameofcity',axis=1,inplace=True)
cities = gp.GeoDataFrame(cities, crs=geostats.wgs84)
cities['city']=cities.city.apply(lambda x: isounidecode.unidecode(x[:x.find(' (')])
cities.to_file(pathout+'AllCities.shp')
cities = cities.to_crs(geostats.cea)
cities.to_file(pathout+'AllCitiesCyl.shp')
cities.geometry = cities.geometry.buffer(buf)

# Create geostats object and compute statistics
Stats = geostats.geostats(cities)
Stats.geostats()

# Export data
Stats.df.to_csv(path+'/AllCities'+str(int(buf/1000))+'.csv', index=False)
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'''
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Program to create HMIdata for Islam Project using MultiProcessing to accelerate comp
Michalopoulos and Özak (2016)
'''
from __future__ import division
# Parallel
from IPython.parallel import Client
## Setup the clients, direct views, and balanced views
c = Client()
c.ids
dview = c[:]
view = c.load_balanced_view()
dview.activate()
```

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```
%%px --local
import sys, os, time
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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
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import scipy.interpolate as interpolate
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```
# Set paths
path='../../data/'
if not os.path.exists(path):
    os.mkdir(path)
pathout='../../data/HMI/'
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# Import Cities shapefile using GeoPandas
cities = pd.read_stata(path+'/AllCities.dta')
cities['LAT']=cities['lat']
cities['LON']=cities['lon']
cities['city']=cities.city.apply(lambda x: isounidecode.unidecode(x[:(x.find(' (')=
cities = cities[['LAT','LON','code','city','ID']]

# Define a function that calls HMI, HMISea, HMIOcean with start point only one row i
#start_points=pd.DataFrame([cities.loc[0,:]], columns=cities.columns.values)

def computeHMI(row):
    """Compute HMI for starting at row and ending in all of cities"""
    A = hmi.HMI(pd.DataFrame([row[1]], columns=cities.columns.values), cities, lat=
```

Example: HMI Distances with MP V

```
    A.HMIdistance(export_shape=True, path=pathout+str(row[1]['code']+str(row[0])))
    return A.hmidist

def computeHMISea(row):
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    A = hmi.HMISea(pd.DataFrame([row[1]], columns=cities.columns.values), cities, l
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def computeHMIOcean(row):
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    A = hmi.HMIOcean(pd.DataFrame([row[1]], columns=cities.columns.values), cities,
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# Now compute all distances in parallel, merge GeoPandas Frames
dfhmi = view.map_async(computeHMI, cities.iterrows())
dfhmisea = view.map_async(computeHMISea, cities.iterrows())
dfhmiocean = view.map_async(computeHMIOcean, cities.iterrows())
# Get results
```

Example: HMI Distances with MP VI

```
dfhmi = dfhmi.get()
dfhmisea = dfhmisea.get()
dfhmiocean = dfhmiocean.get()
# Concatenate the results
dfhmi = pd.concat(dfhmi)
dfhmisea = pd.concat(dfhmisea)
dfhmiocean = pd.concat(dfhmiocean)
# Convert to GeoPandas again
dfhmi = gp.GeoDataFrame(dfhmi, crs=hmi.cea)
dfhmisea = gp.GeoDataFrame(dfhmisea, crs=hmi.cea)
dfhmiocean = gp.GeoDataFrame(dfhmiocean, crs=hmi.cea)
# Export Shape files
dfhmi.to_file(path+'HMI10.shp')
dfhmisea.to_file(path+'HMISea10.shp')
dfhmiocean.to_file(path+'HMIOcean10.shp')

# Merge Distances and export them
cols=dfhmi.columns
cols=cols.drop('geometry')
dfout = dfhmi[cols].copy()
```

Example: HMI Distances with MP VII

```
dfout = dfout.merge(dfhmisea[['city_1','city_2','HMISea10dist','HMISea10Iso']], how
dfout = dfout.merge(dfhmiocean[['city_1','city_2','HMIOcean10dist','HMIOcean10Iso']
dfout.sort(['city_1','city_2'], inplace=True)
dfout.to_stata('../../data/HMI10dists.dta', write_index=False)
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