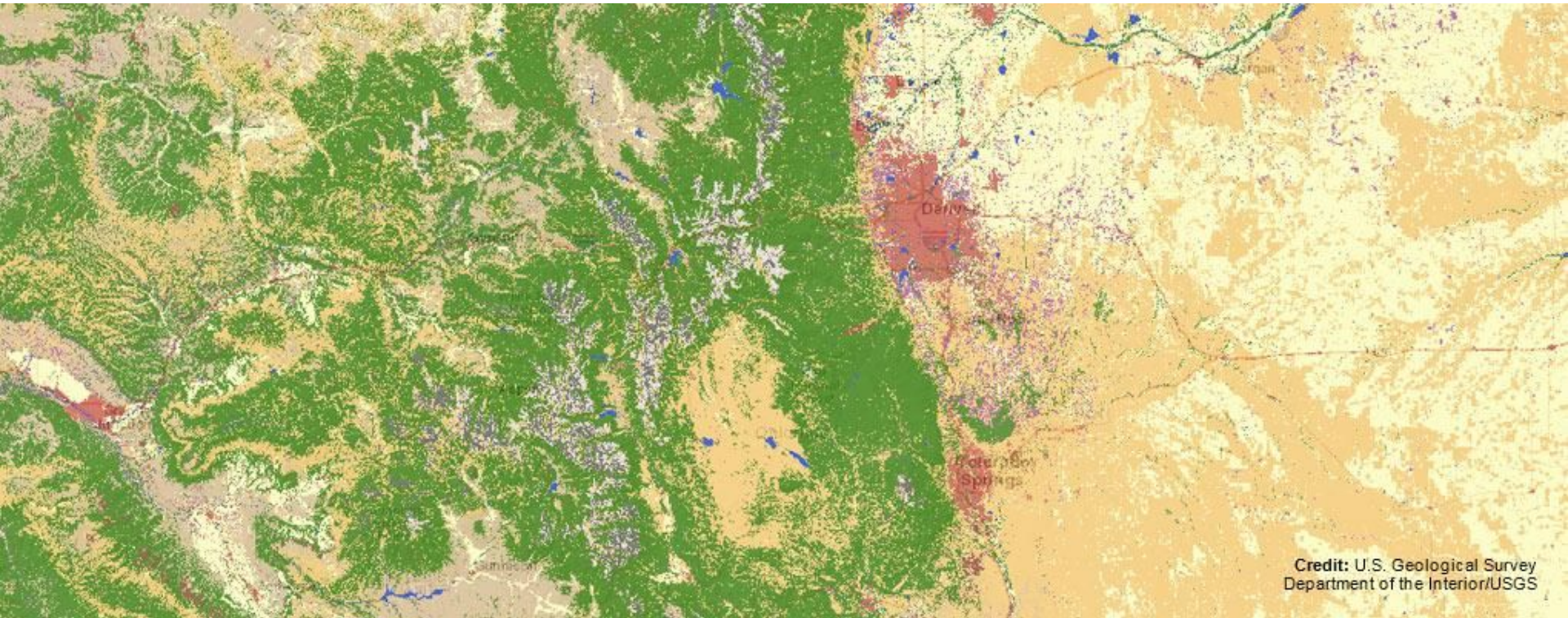


EDS 223: Geospatial Analysis & Remote Sensing

Week 9



Credit: U.S. Geological Survey
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Welcome!

- **Assignments**

- Assignment 4 due December 9
 - Sorry for the typos! Will distribute revised copy
- Portfolio due December 15
 - Come to office hours for help/guidance

- **Next week**

- Active remote sensing
- Course wrap-up

- **Course-evaluations**

Vegetation indices

$$\text{NDVI} = \frac{(\text{NIR} - \text{red})}{(\text{NIR} + \text{red})}$$

$$\text{NMDI} = \frac{(\text{NIR} - \text{SWIR})}{(\text{NIR} + \text{SWIR})}$$

Factors controlling leaf reflectance

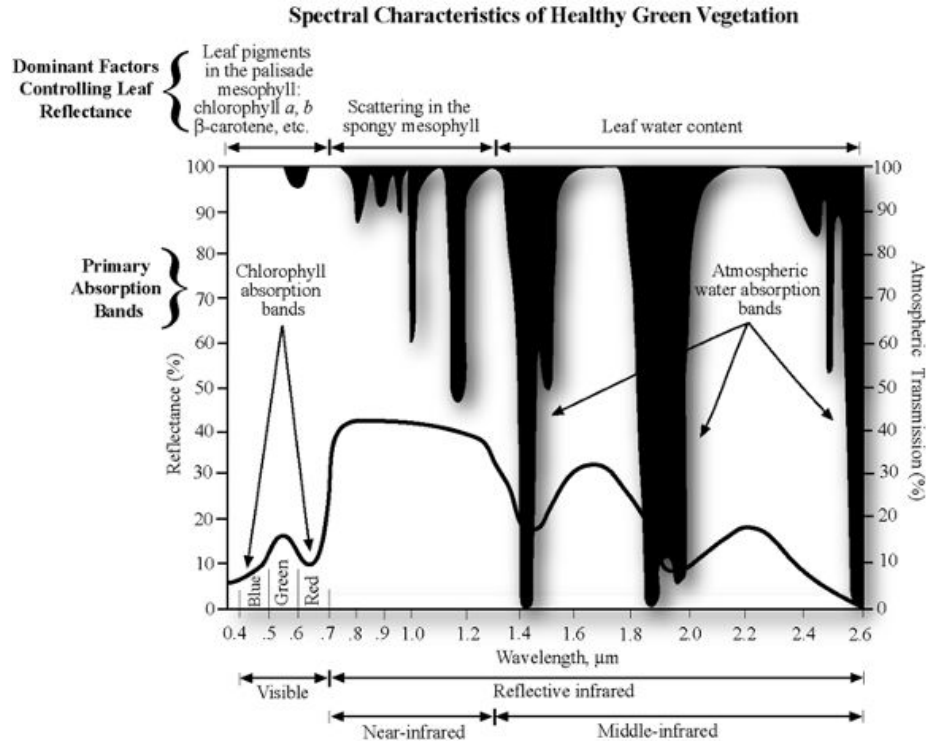
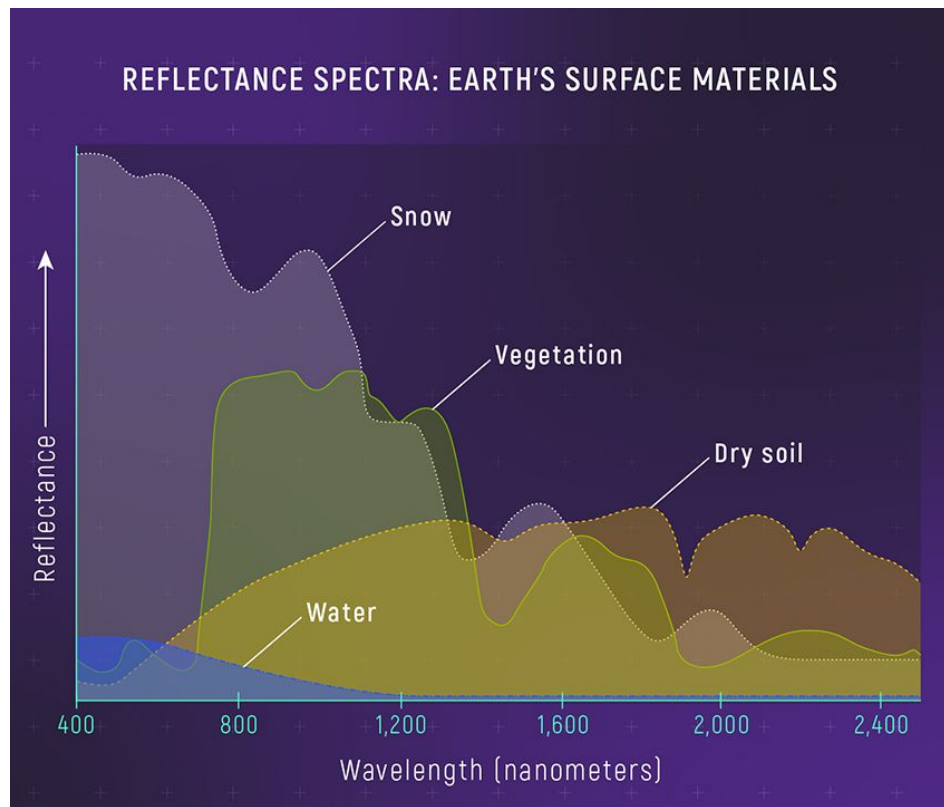


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Land cover classification



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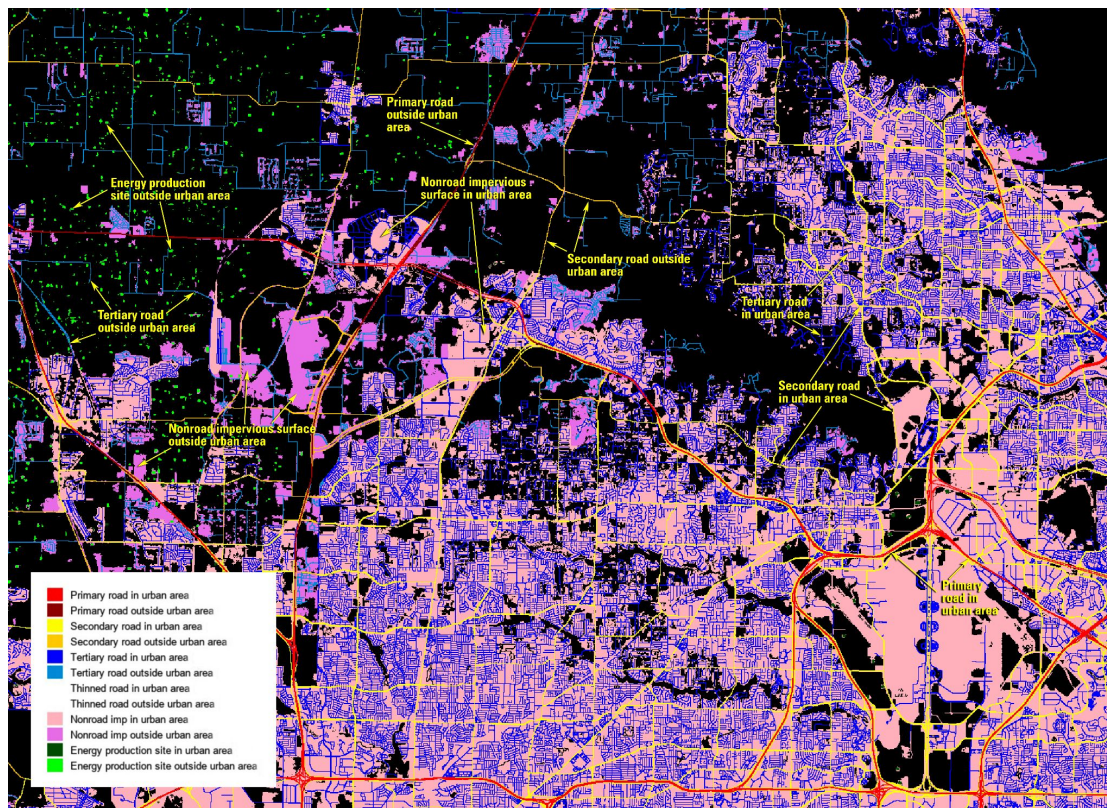
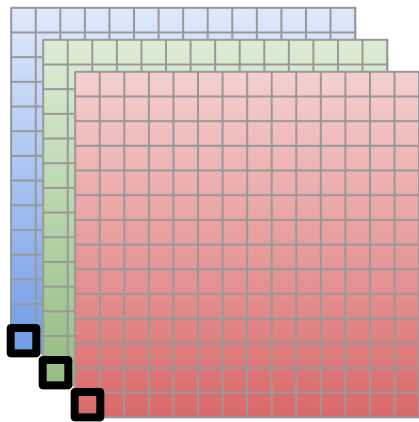


Image classification

bands



classes/categories

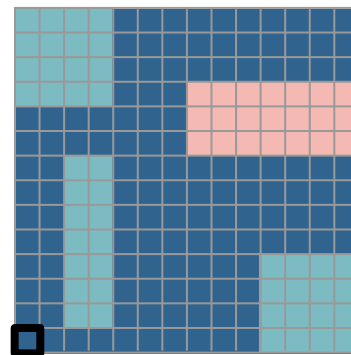
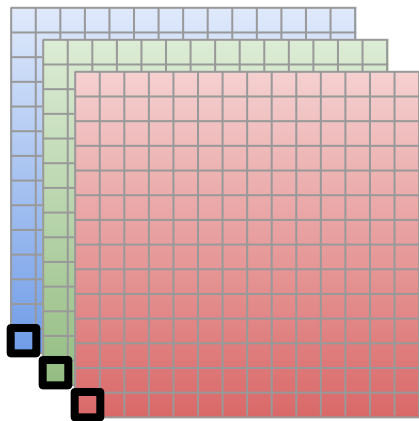
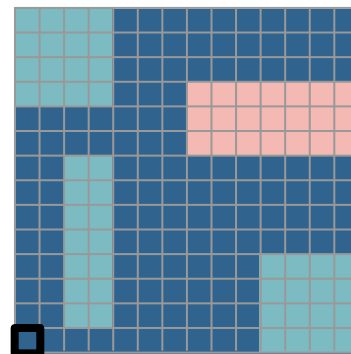


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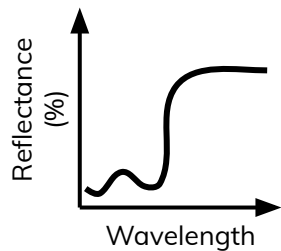
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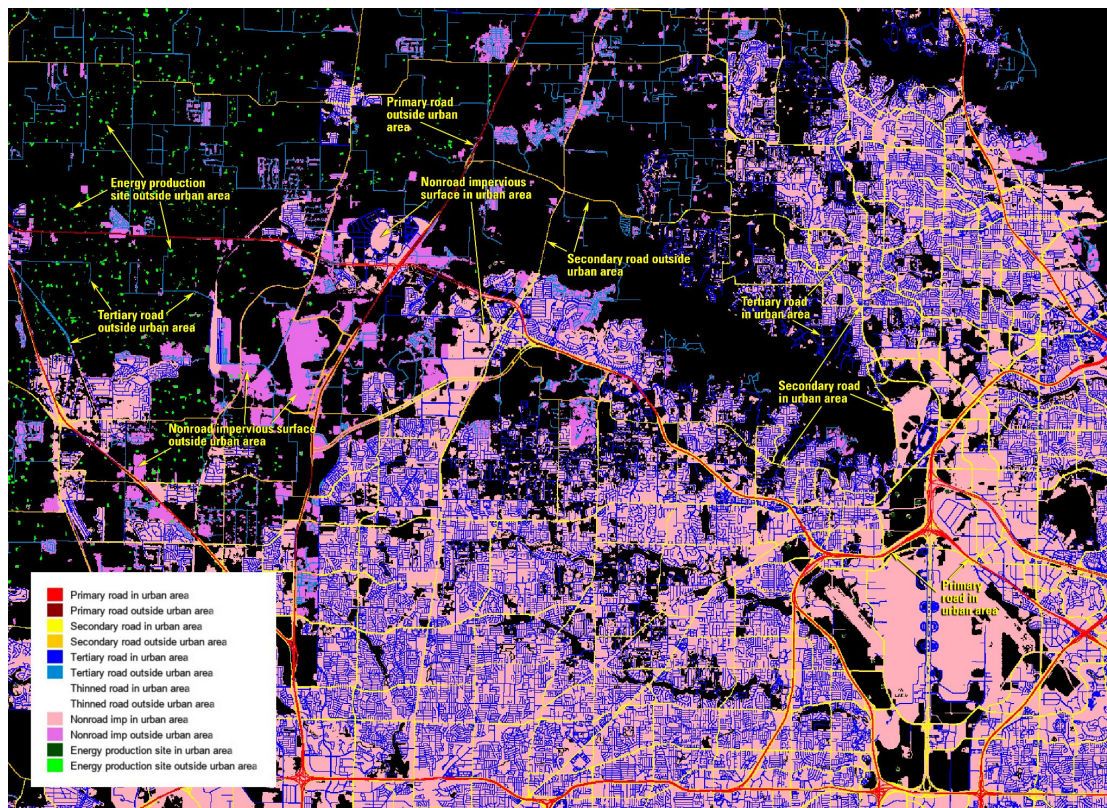
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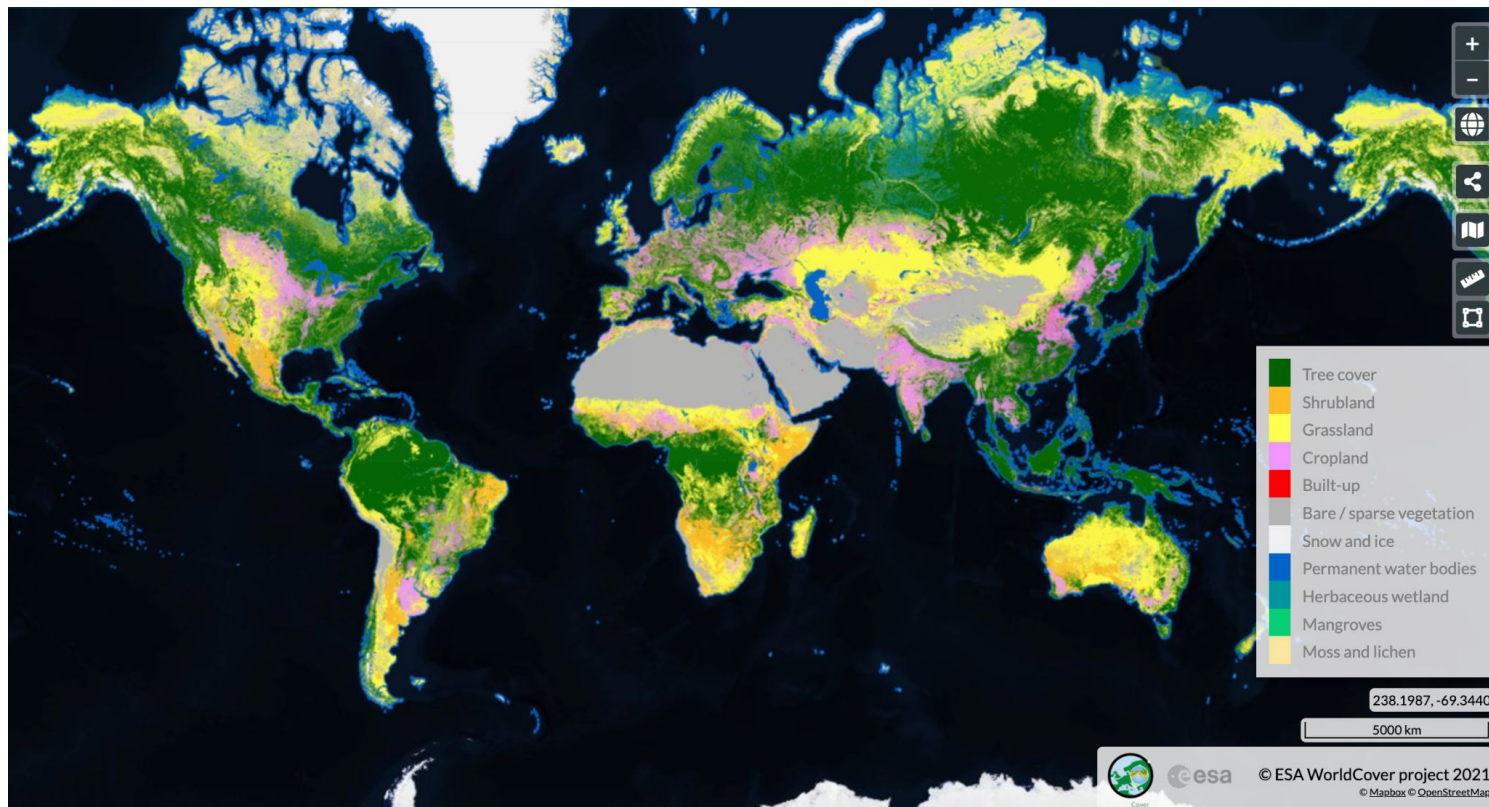
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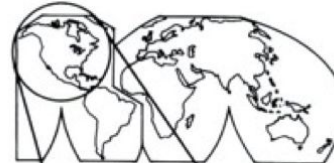
Classification scales

Level I: Global

AVHRR

MODIS

resolution: 250 m to 1.1 km



Level II: Continental

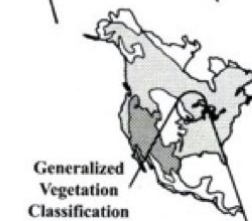
AVHRR

MODIS

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Landsat Thematic Mapper

resolution: 80 m to 1.1 km



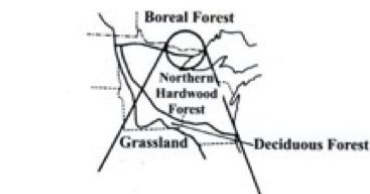
Level III: Biome

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Synthetic Aperture Radar

resolution: 30 m to 80 m



Level IV: Region

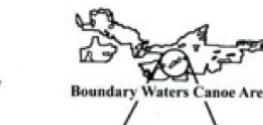
Landsat Thematic Mapper

SPOT

High Altitude Aerial Photography

Synthetic Aperture Radar

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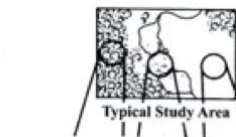
Level V: Plot

Stereoscopic Aerial Photography

IKONOS

QuickBird

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Level VI: In situ Measurement

Surface Measurements

and Observations



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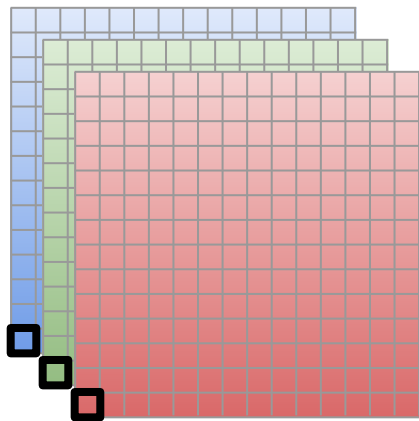
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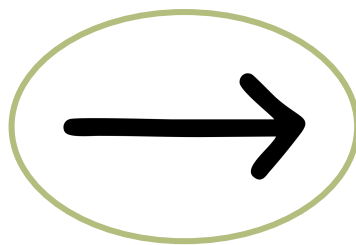
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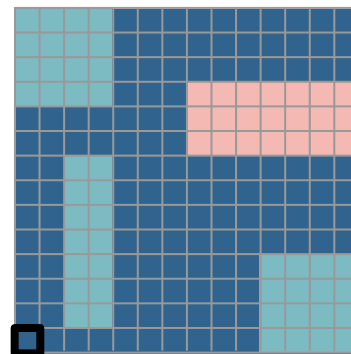
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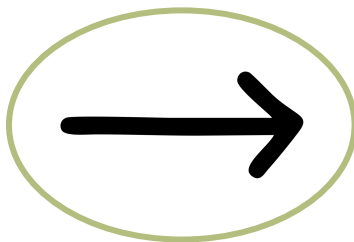
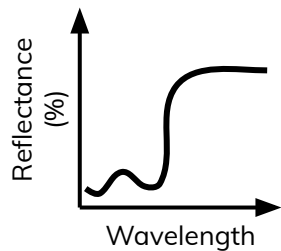
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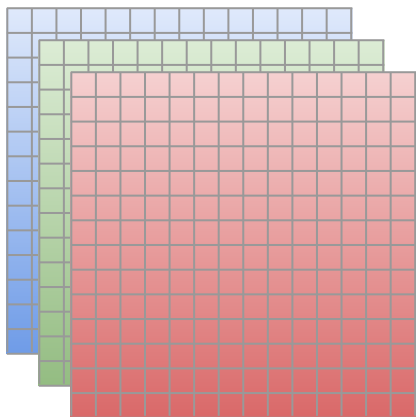


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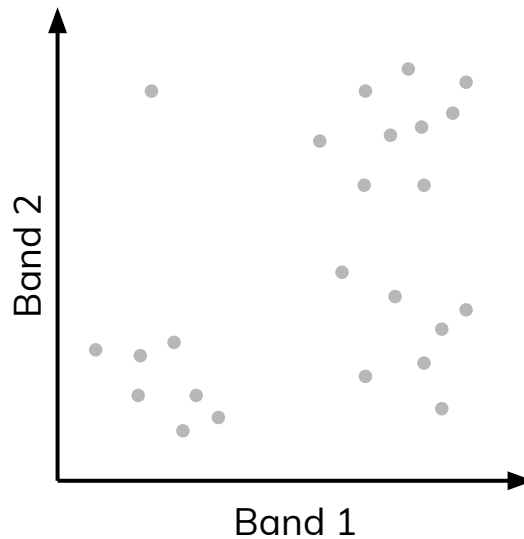
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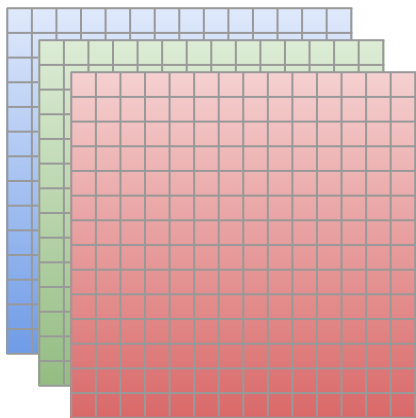
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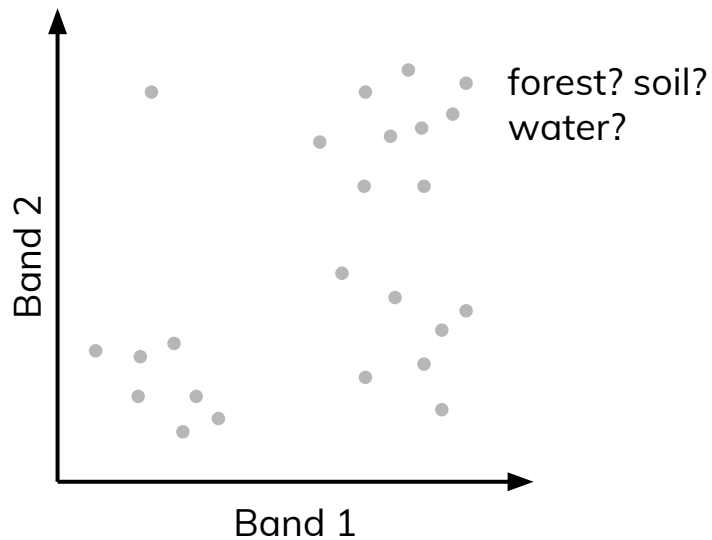
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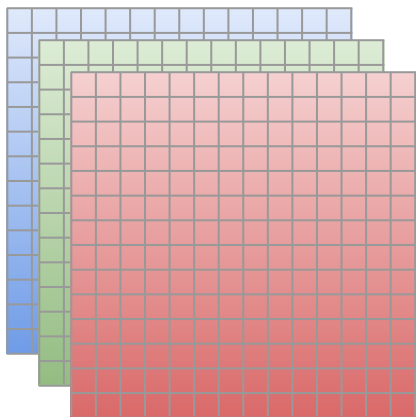
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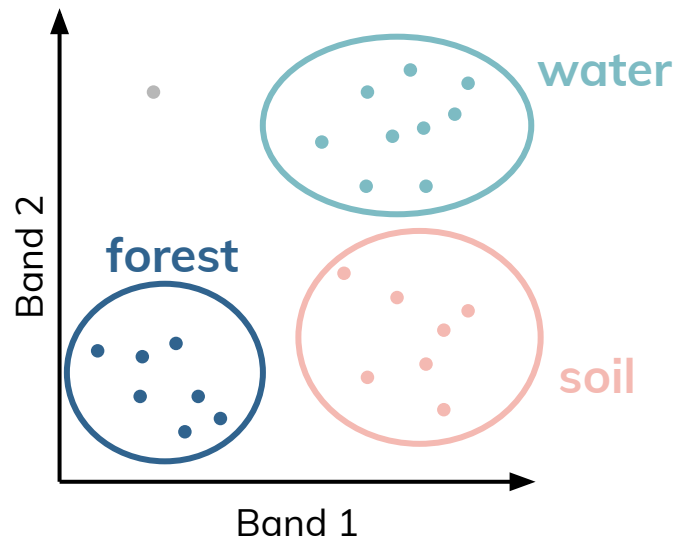
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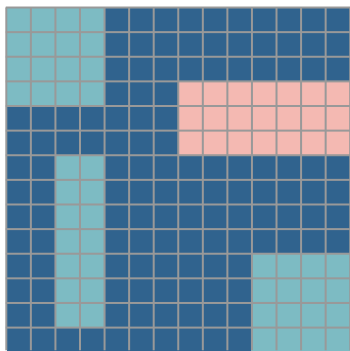
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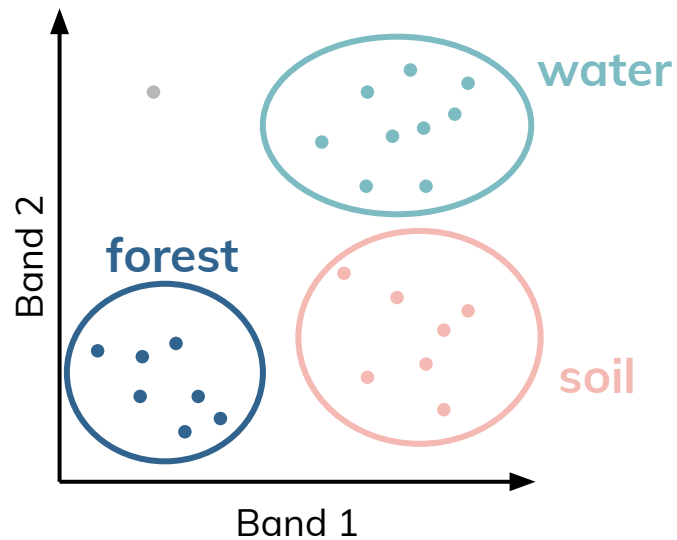
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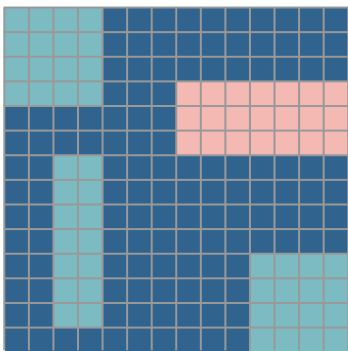
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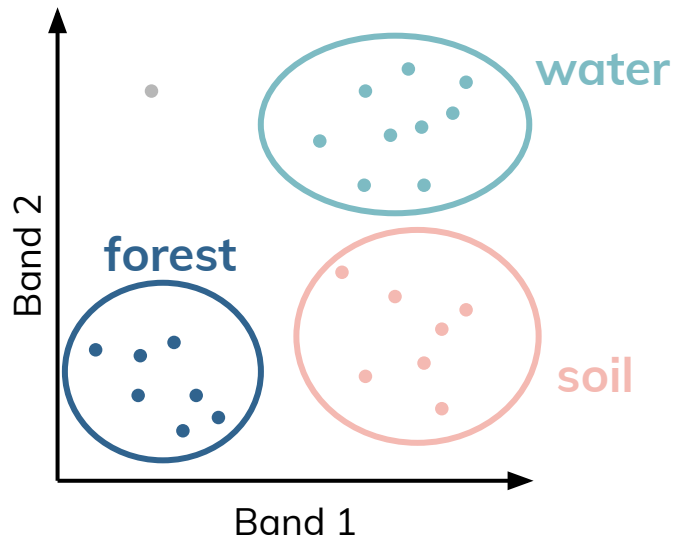
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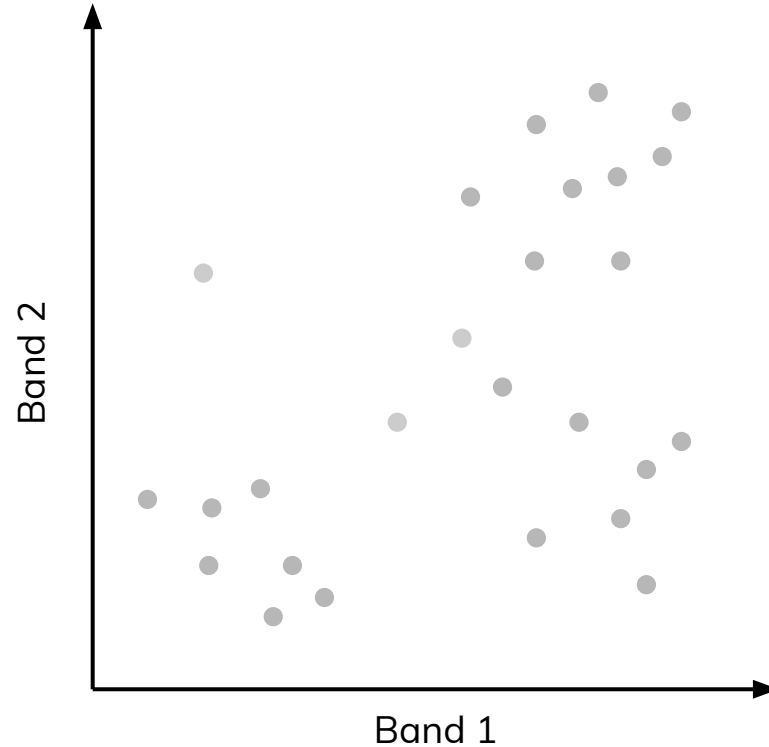
Lots of ways to assign pixels to groups!

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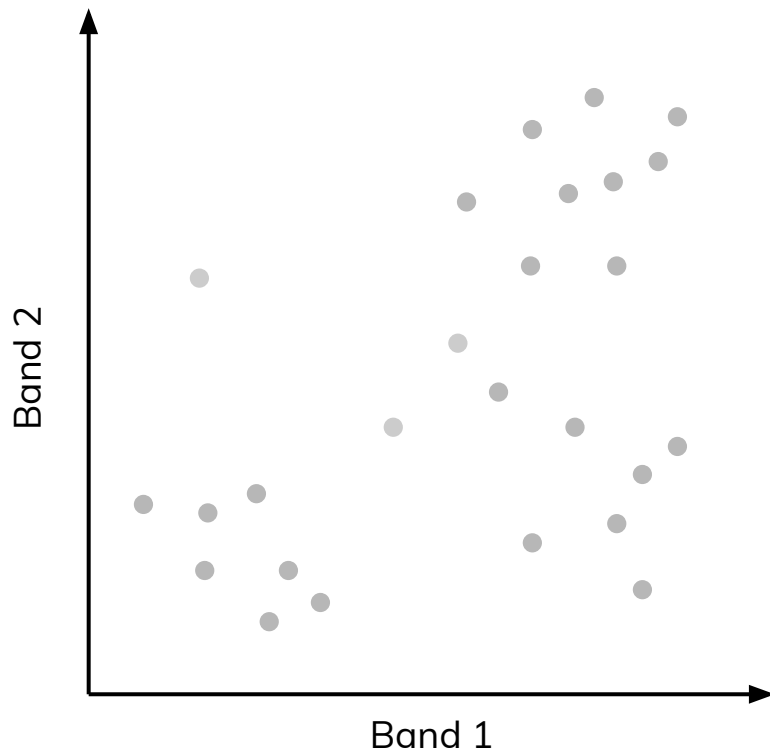


How to group pixels into land cover types



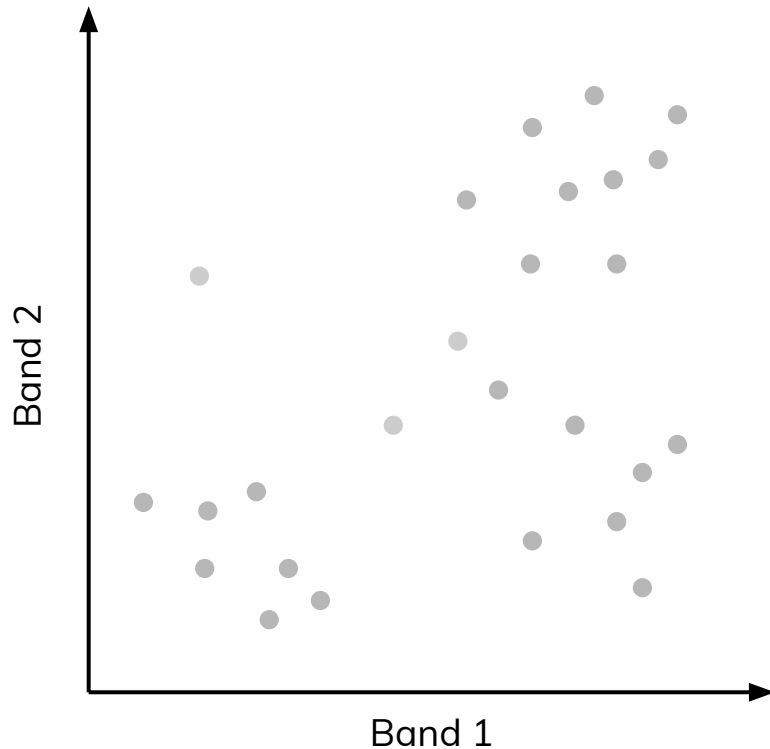
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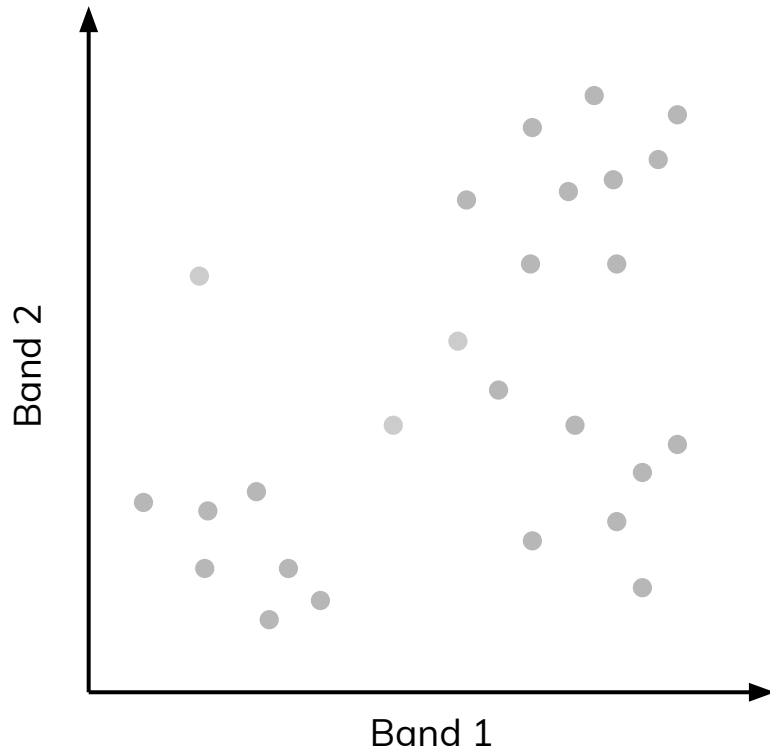


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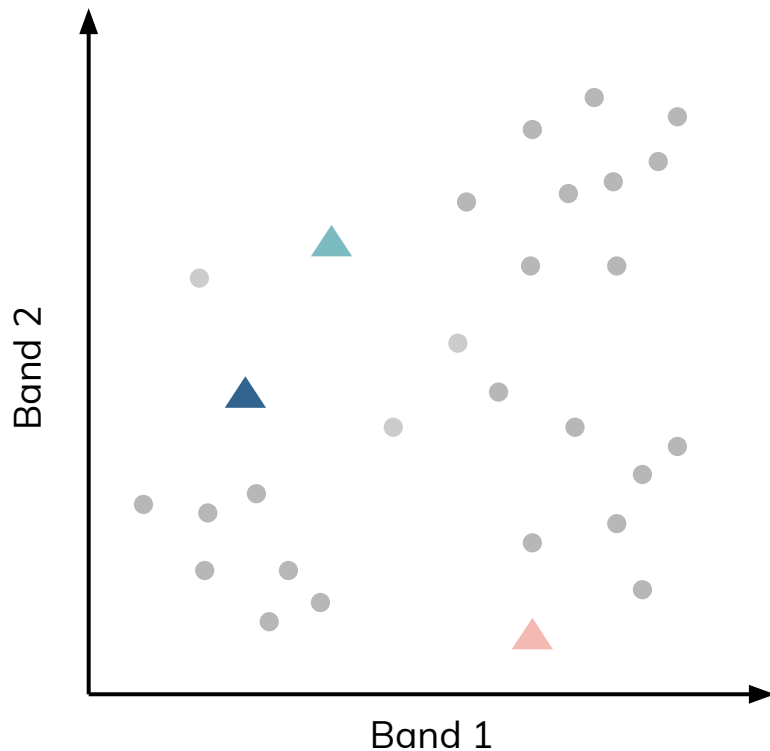


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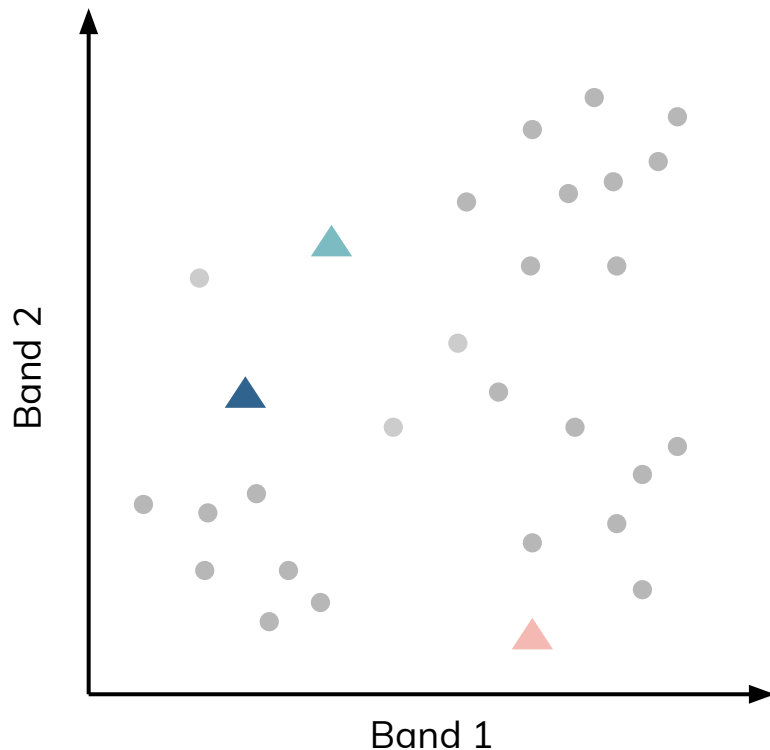


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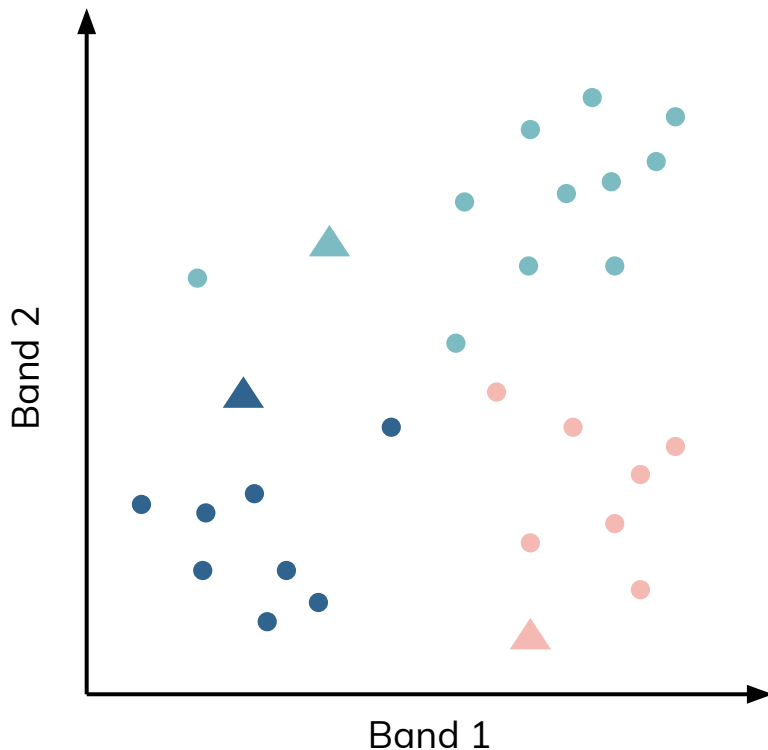


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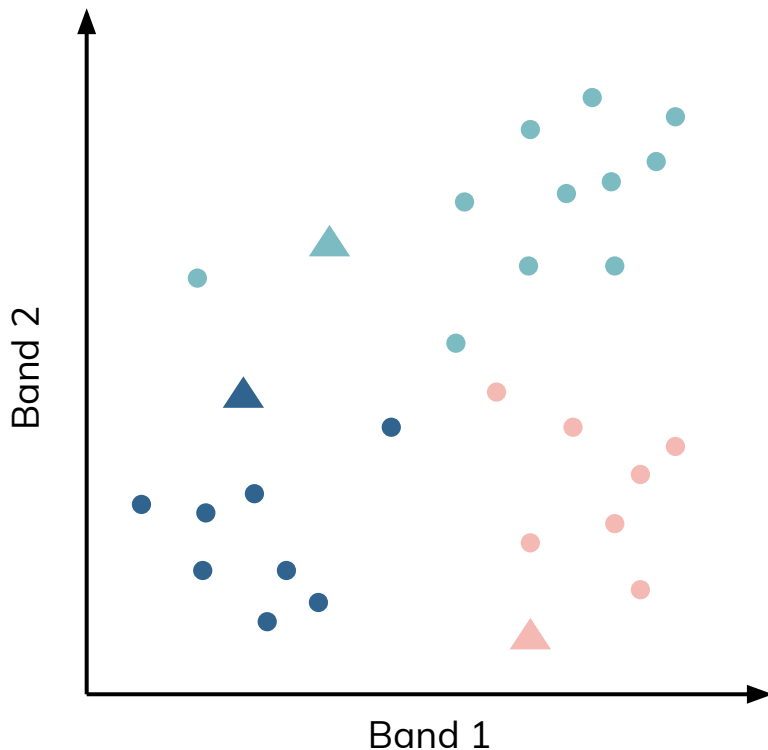


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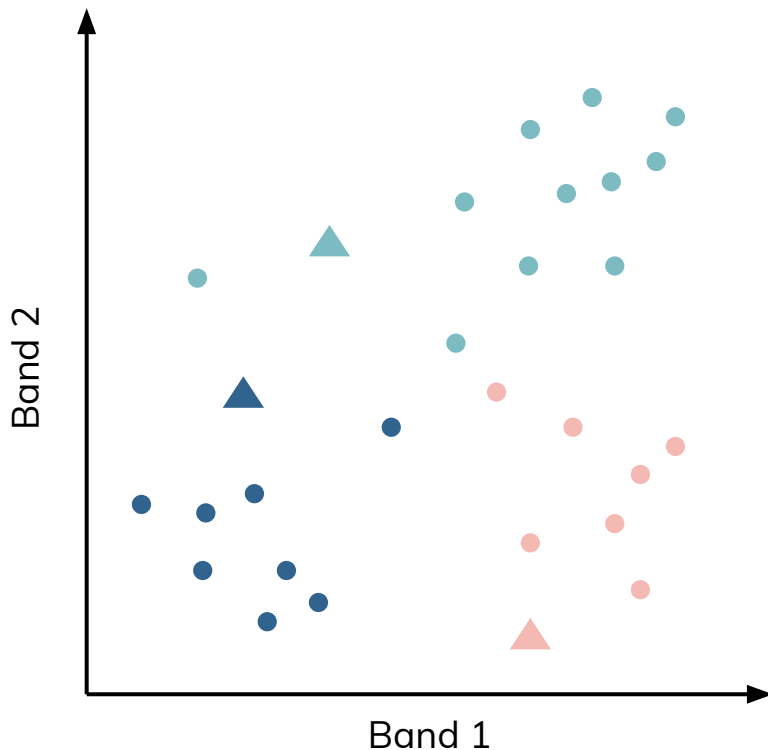


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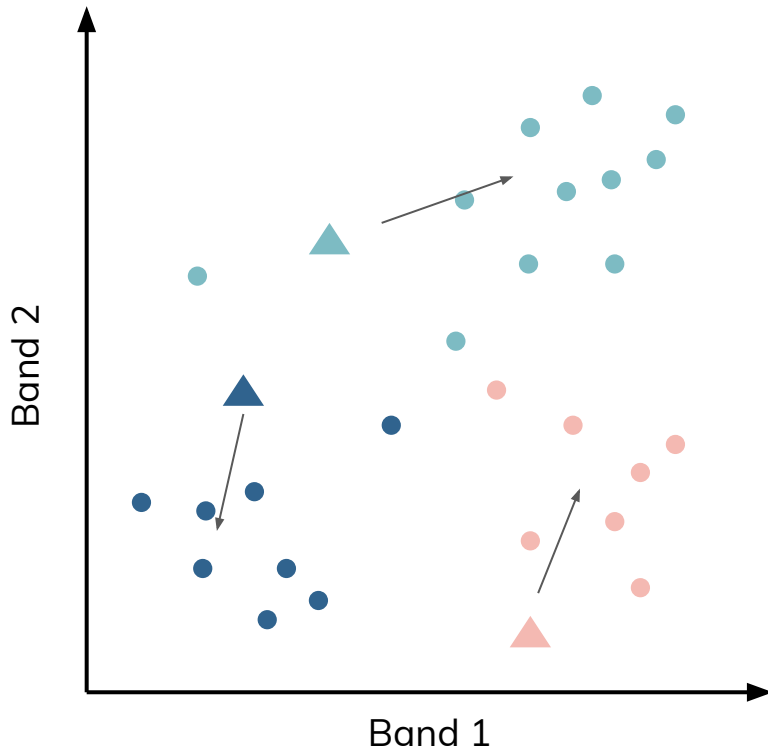


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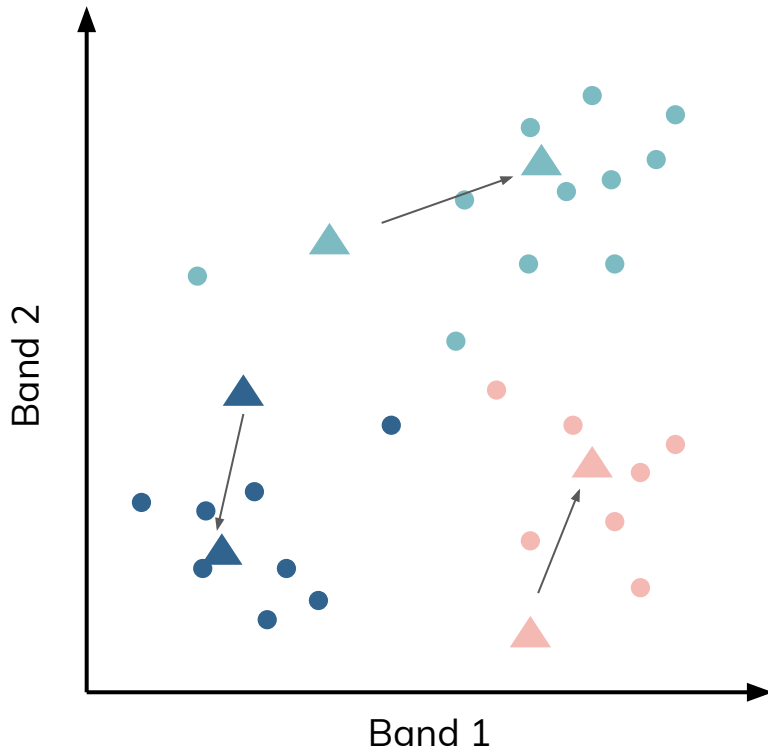


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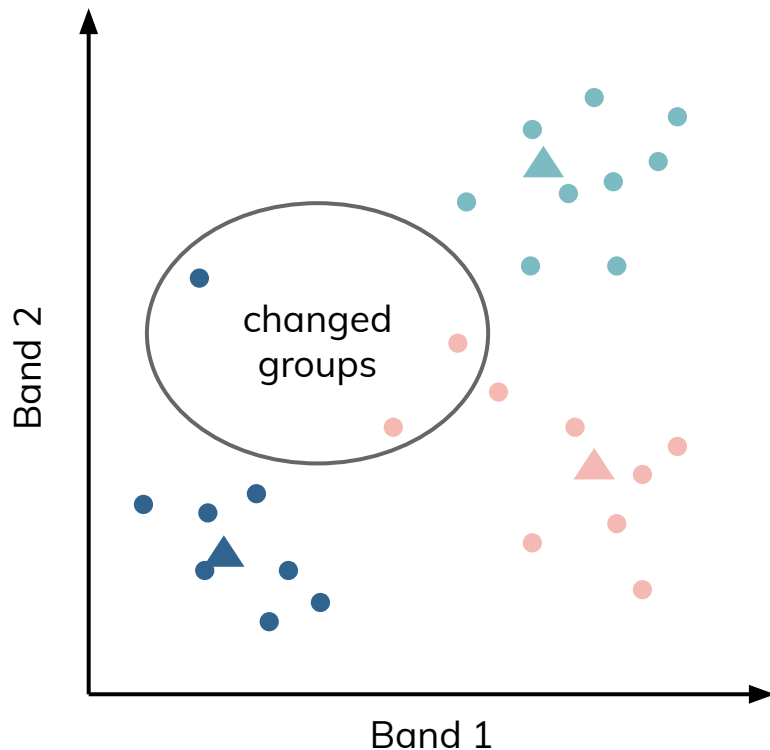


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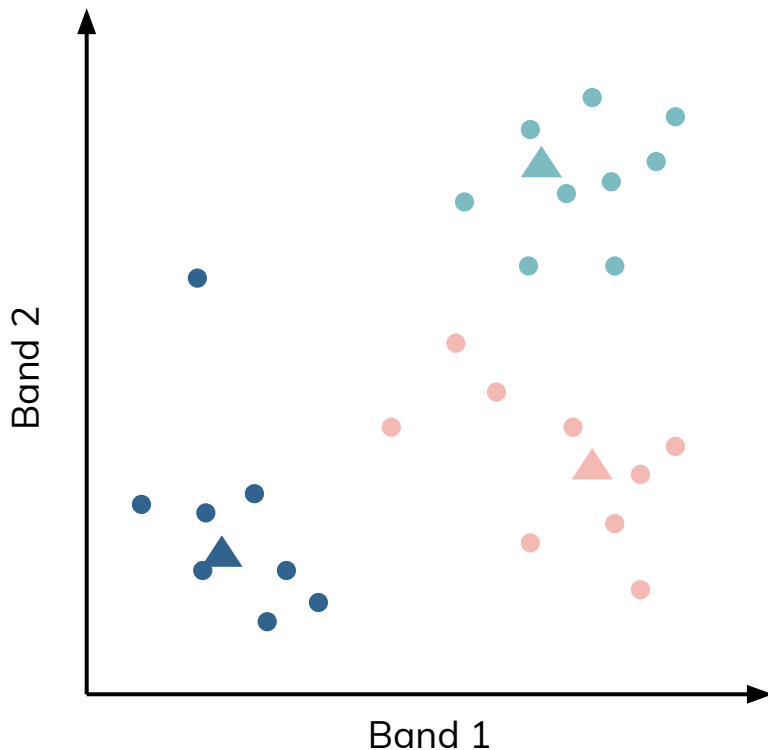


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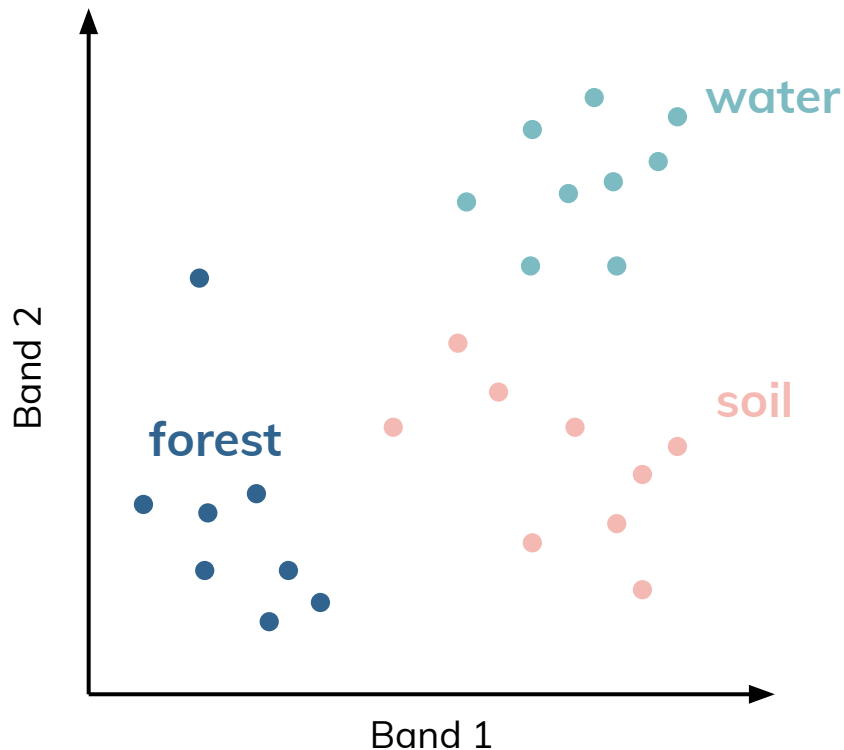


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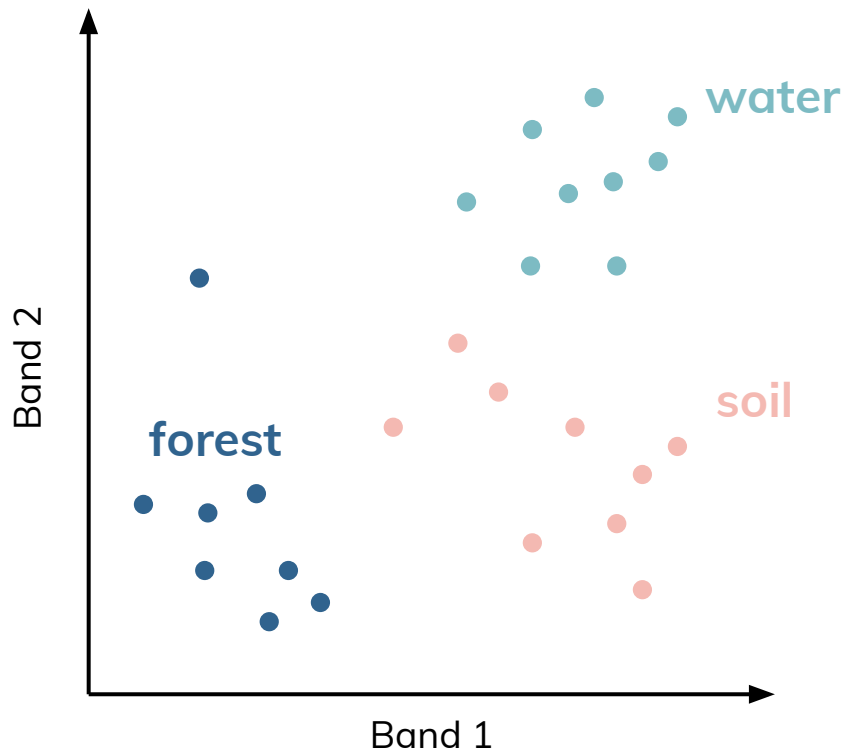


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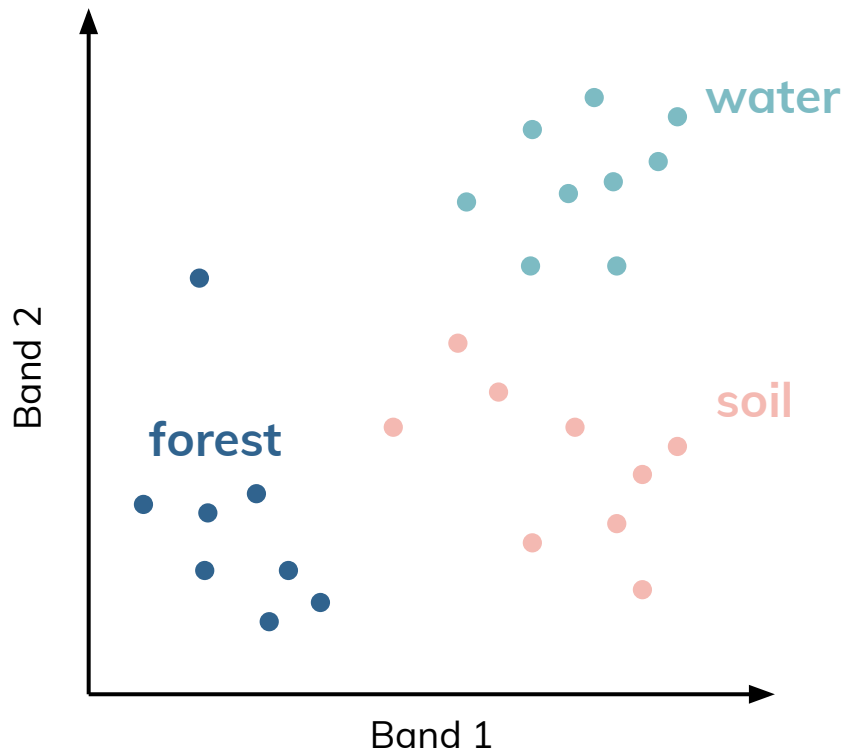


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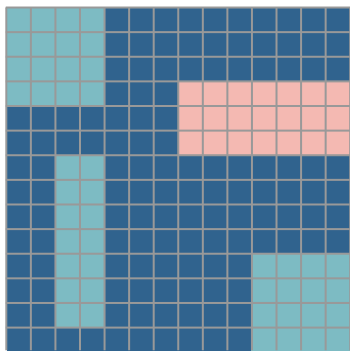


k is the number of groups (or clusters)

clusters are based on the group mean

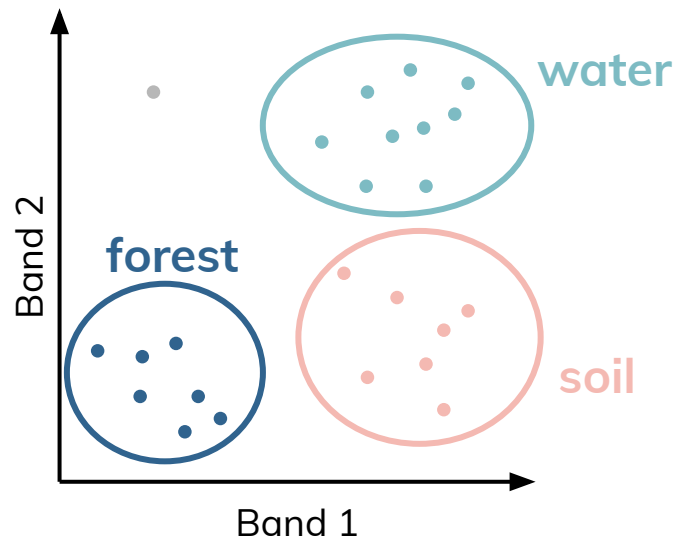
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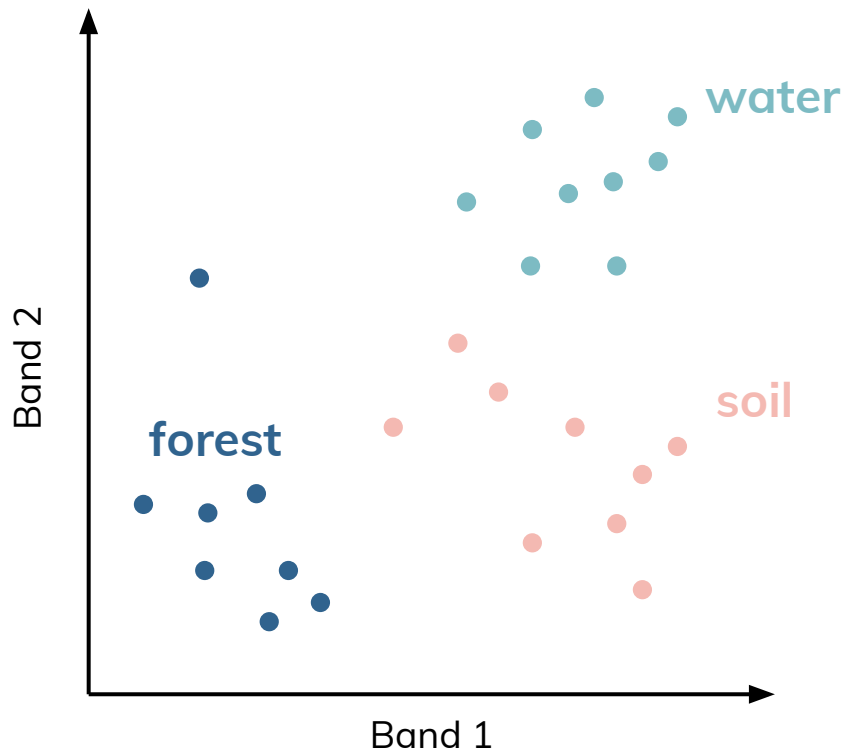


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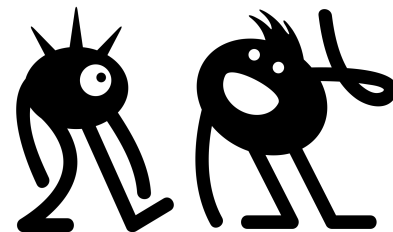
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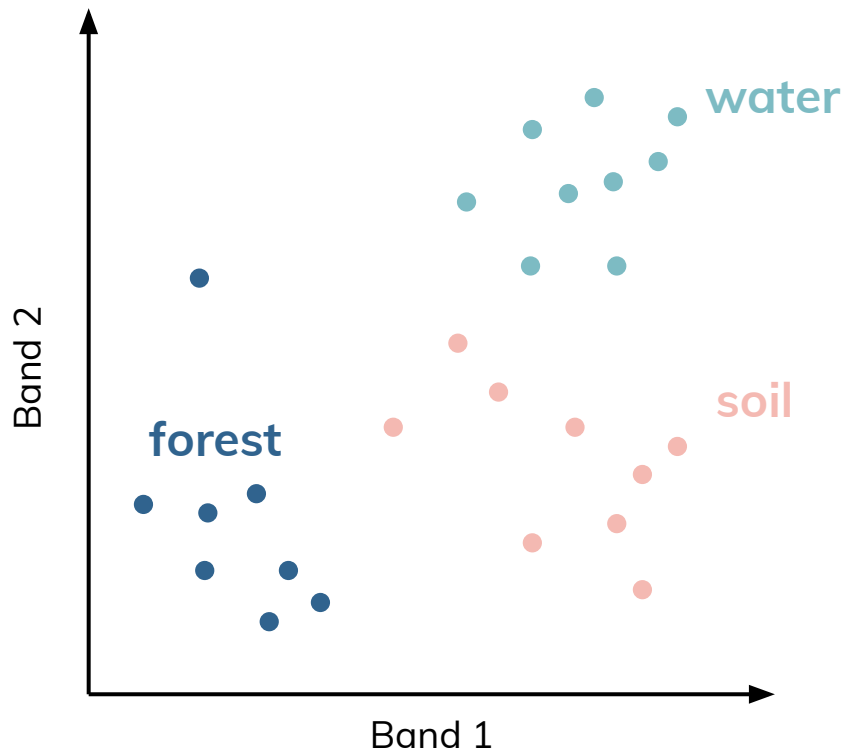


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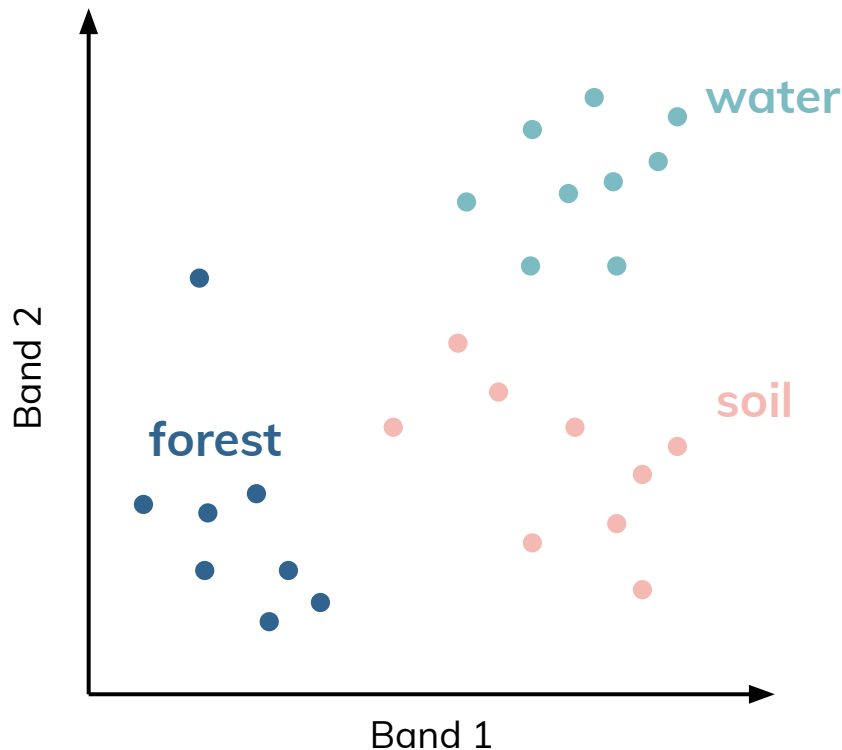
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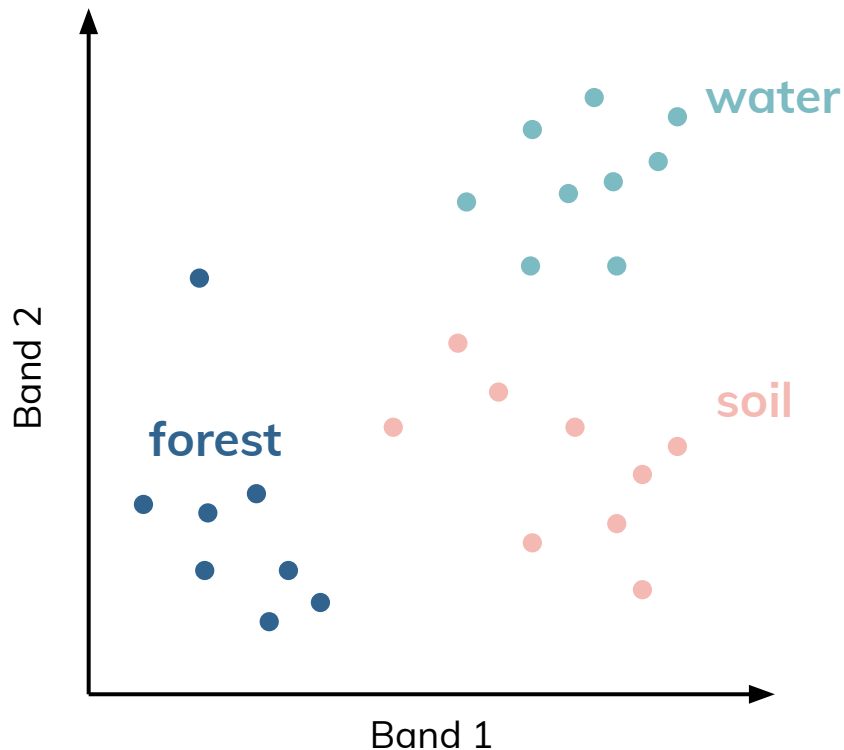
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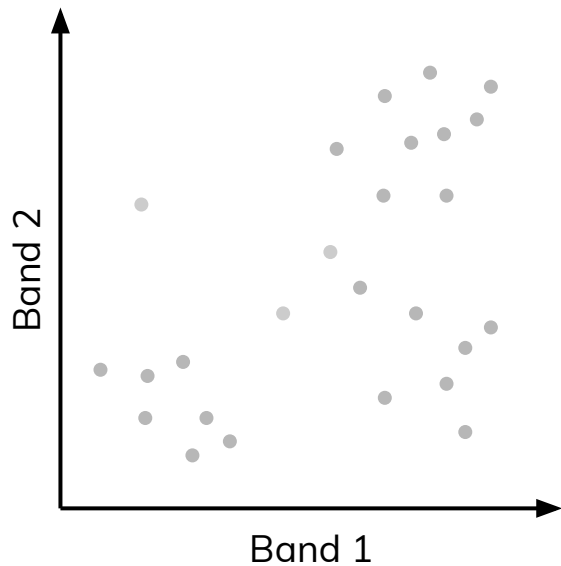
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unsupervised
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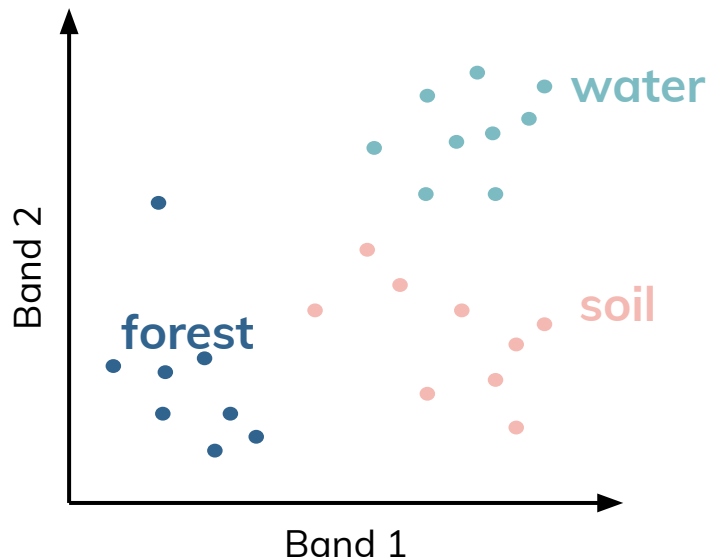
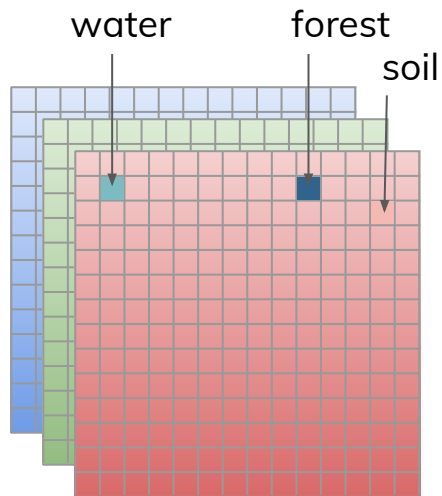


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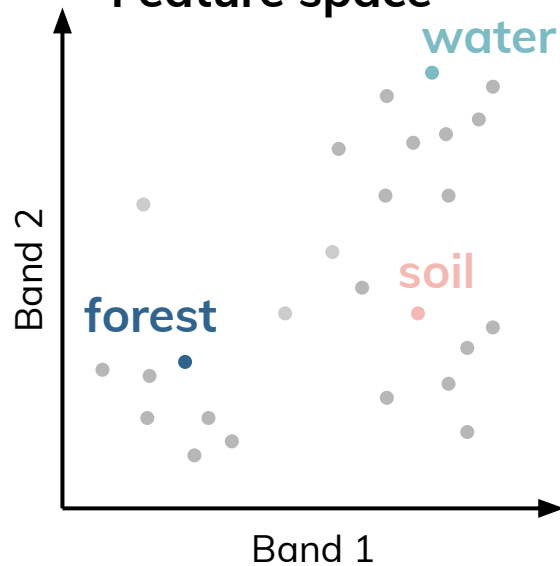
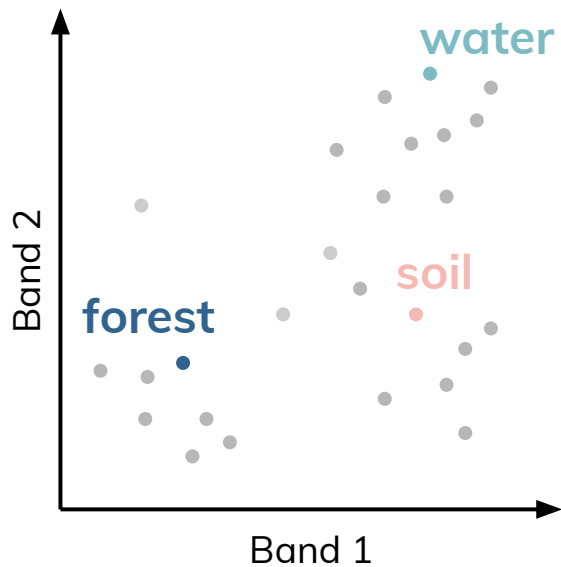
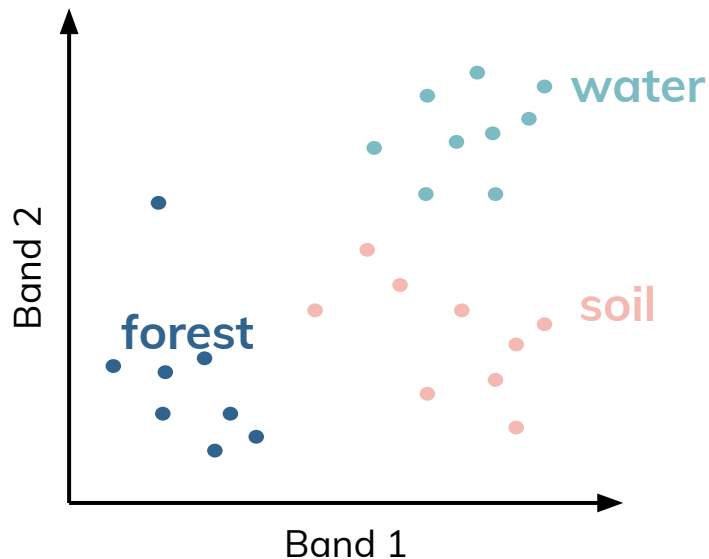


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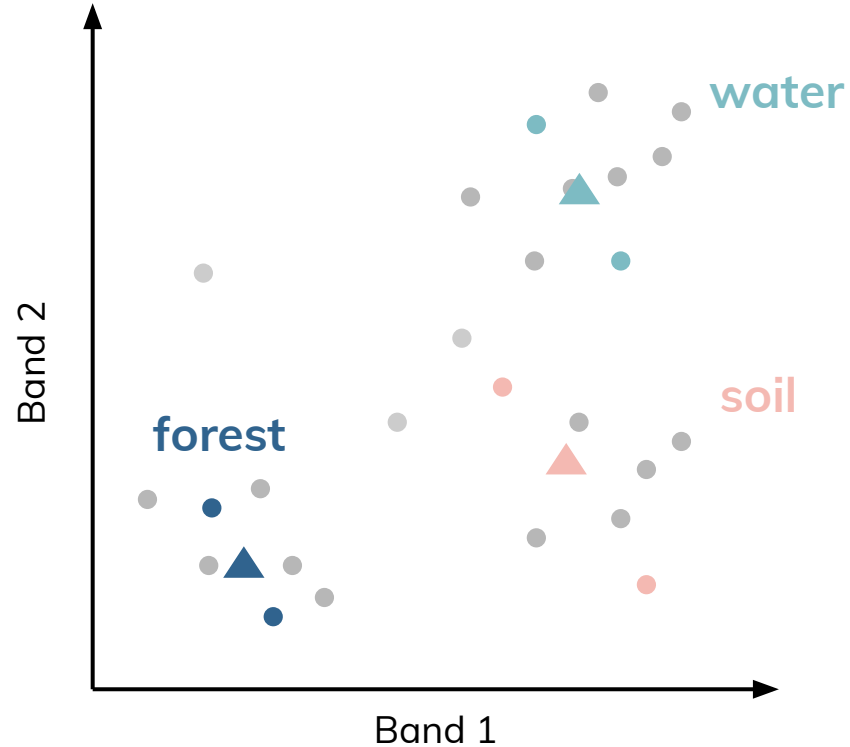


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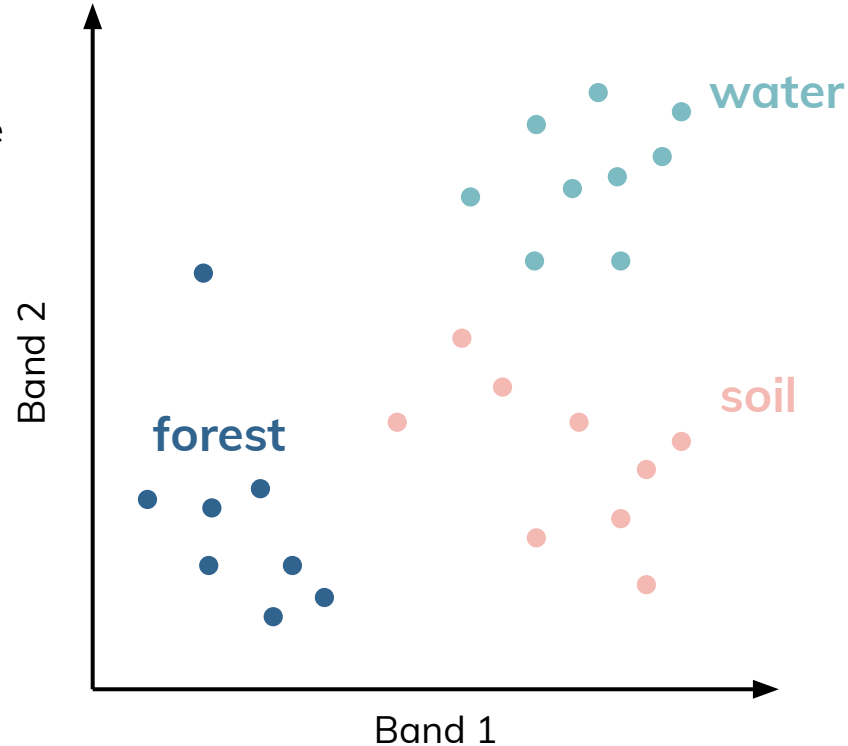
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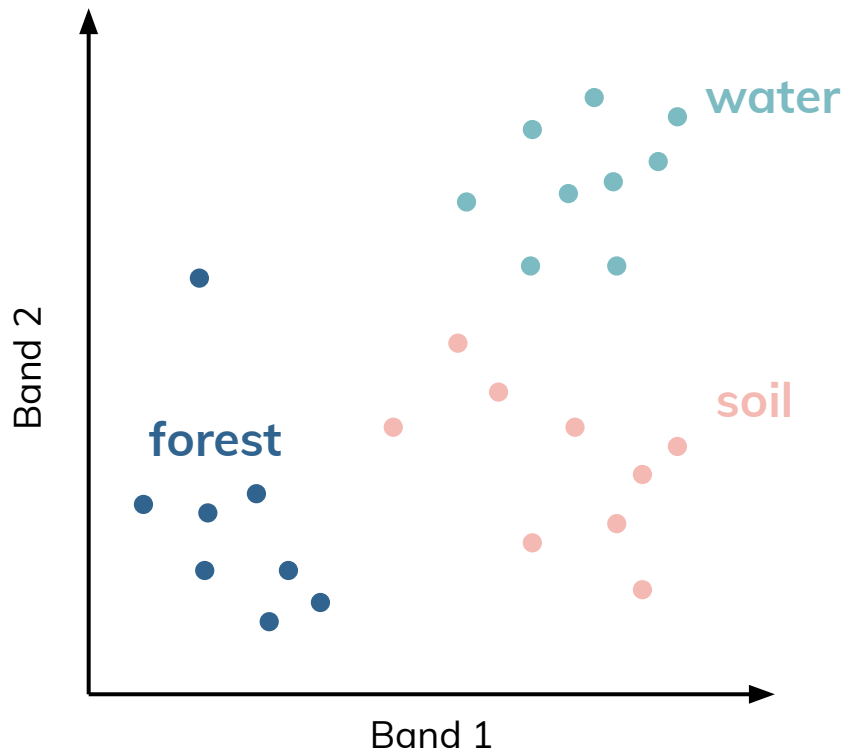
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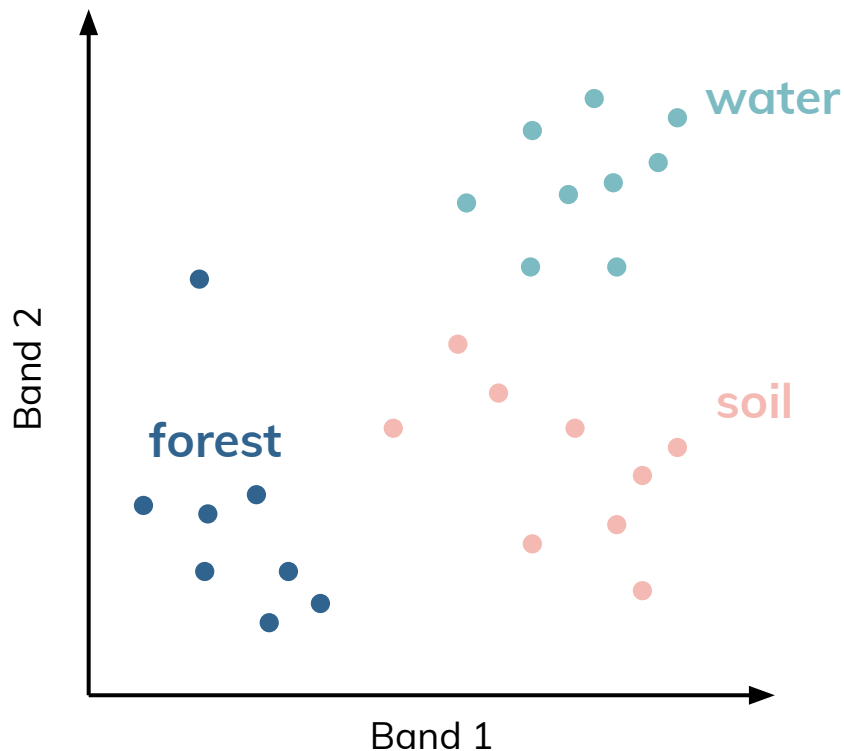
- fast/easy

Cons

- only uses means, not other statistical differences between classes

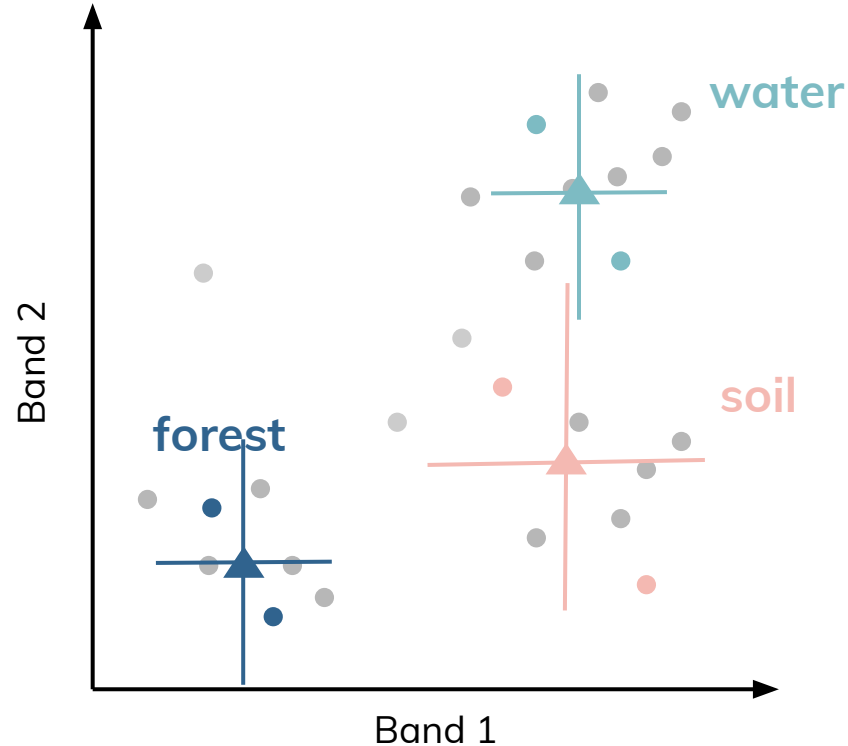
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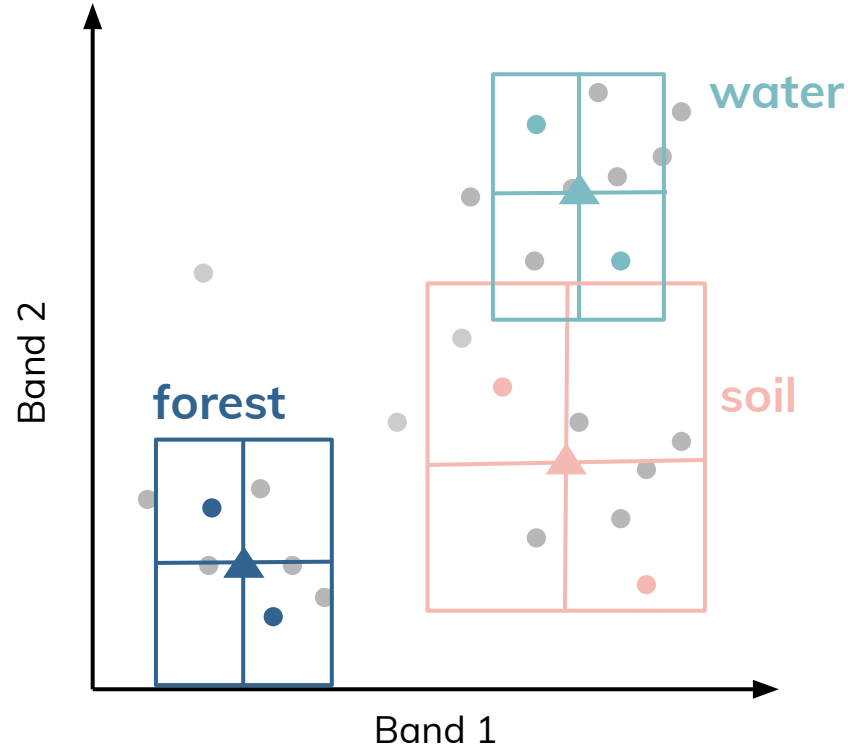
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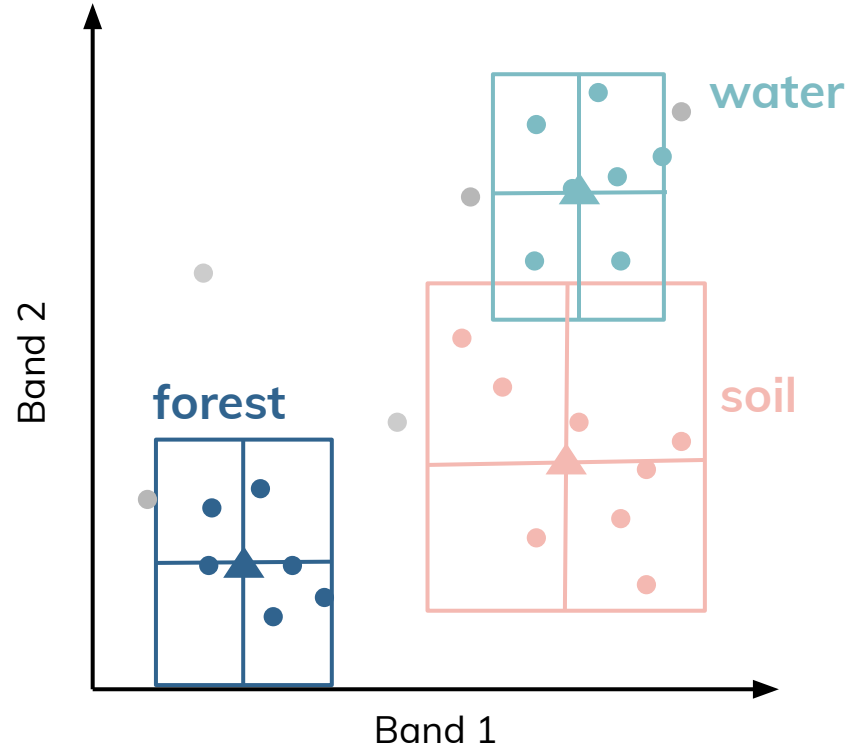
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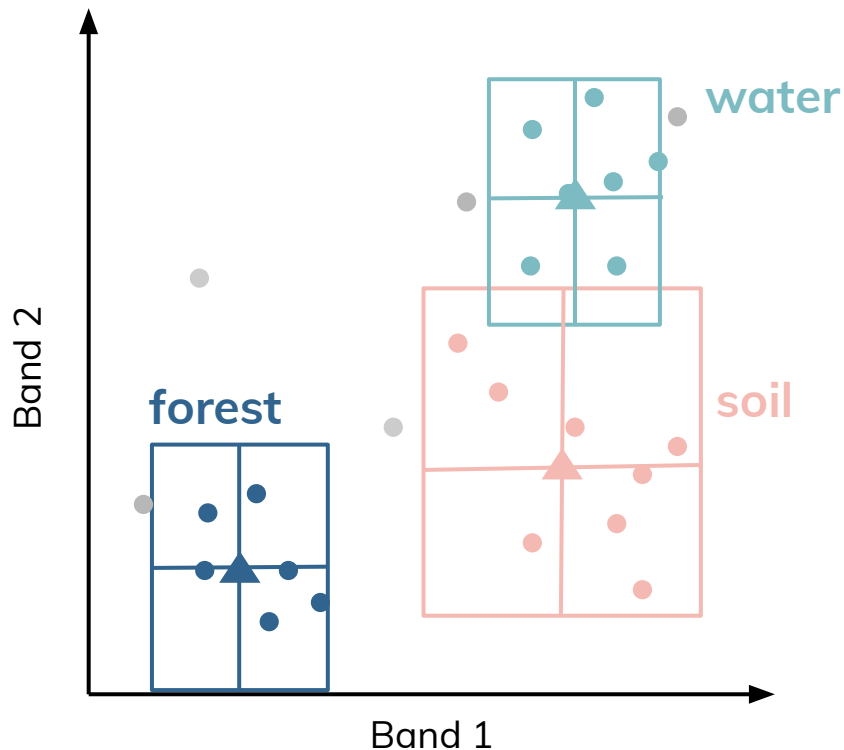
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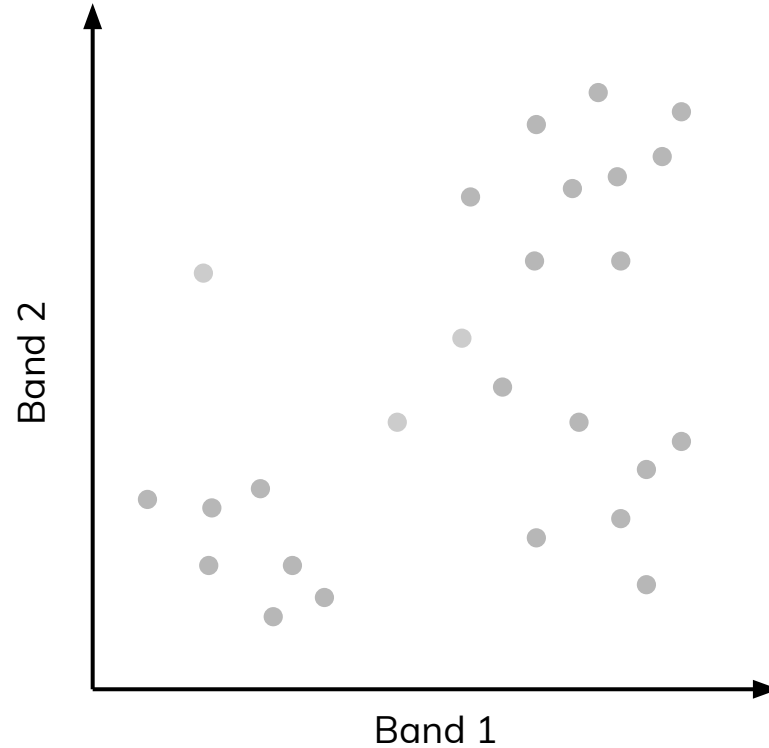
Pros

- fast/easy
- More realistic than just using the mean

Cons

- Unclassified pixels
- Overlapping classes

Supervised classification



Supervised classification

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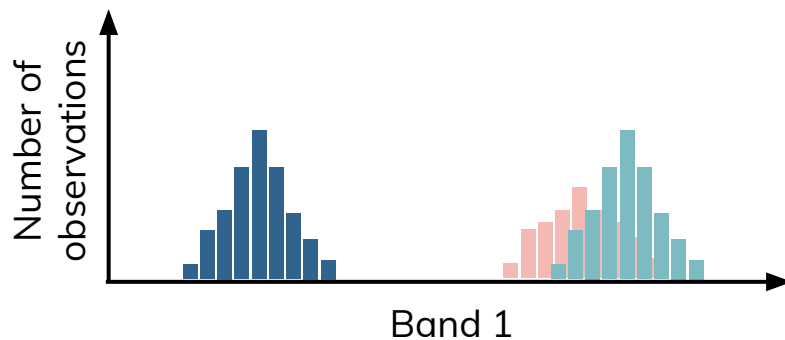
Supervised classification

forest

soil

water

Known pixels:



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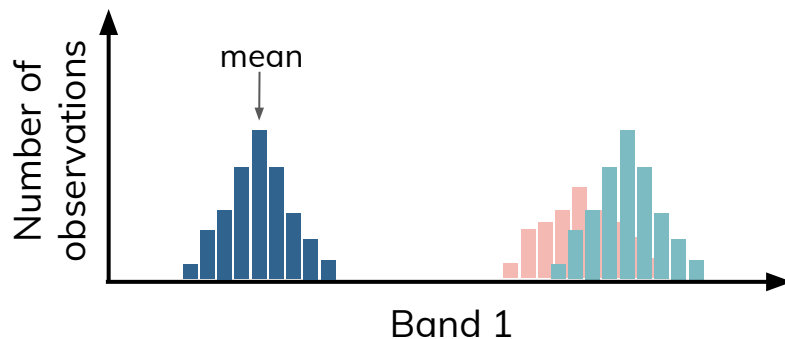
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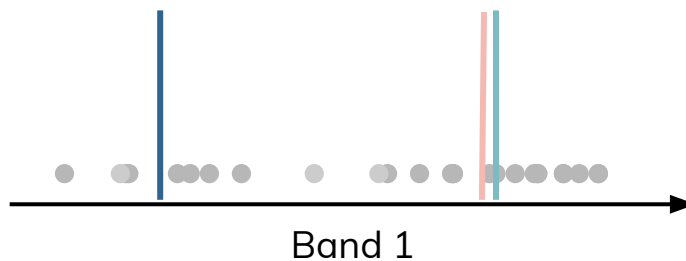
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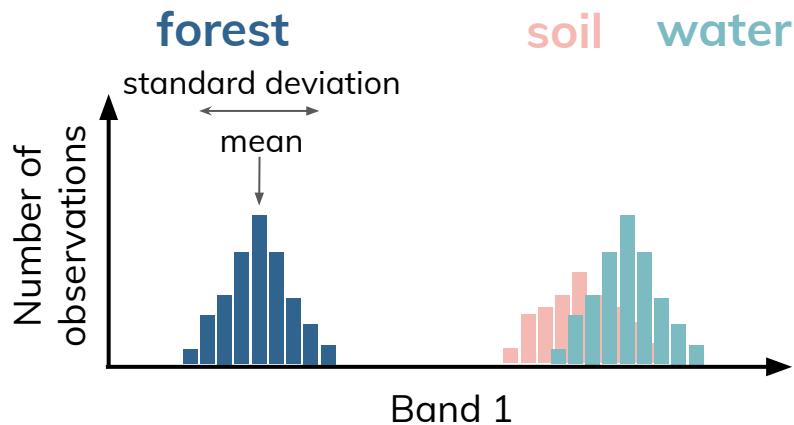
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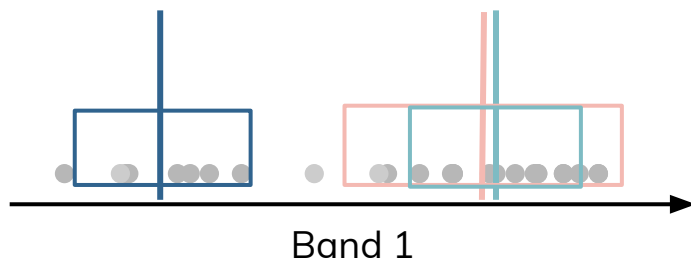
minimum distance
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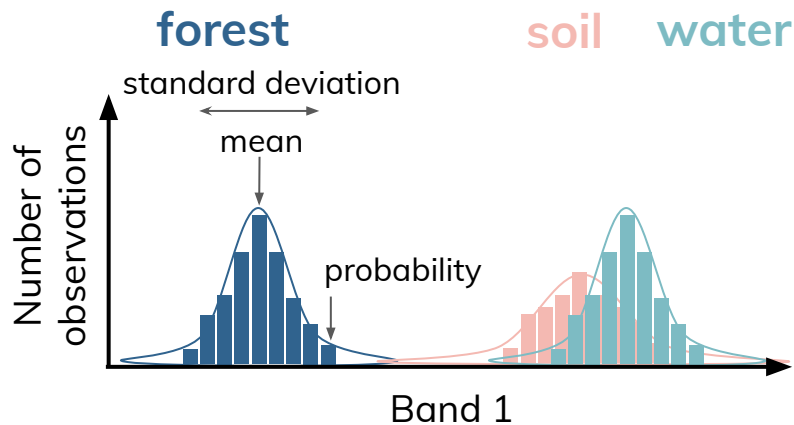
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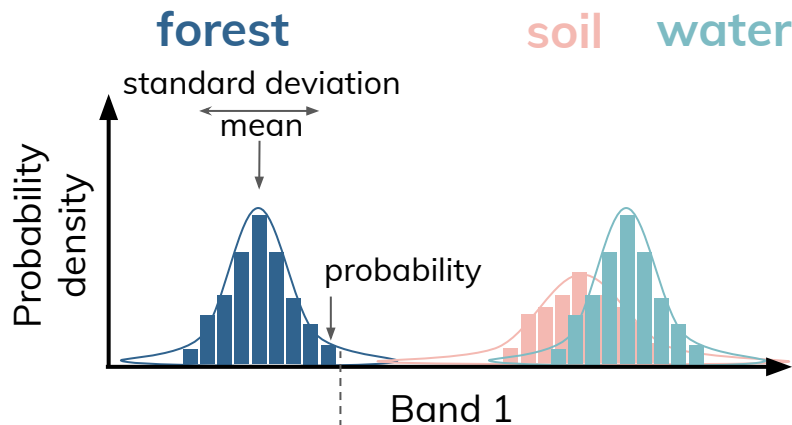


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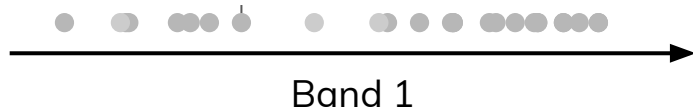


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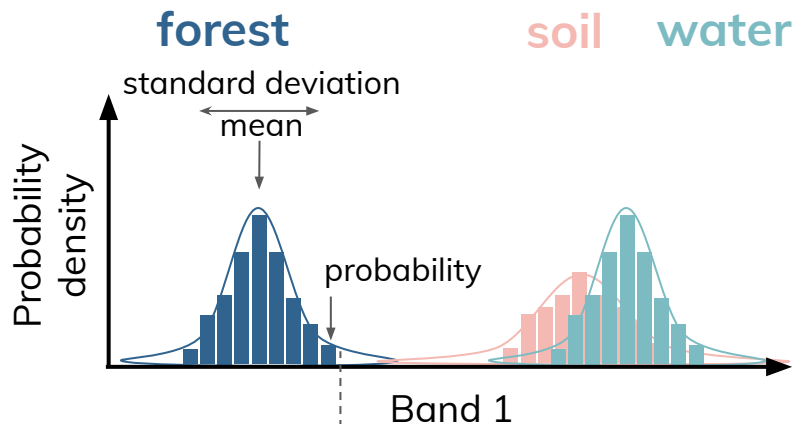


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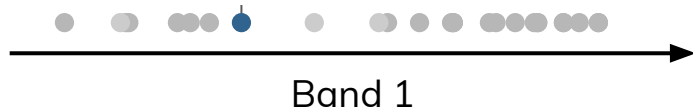


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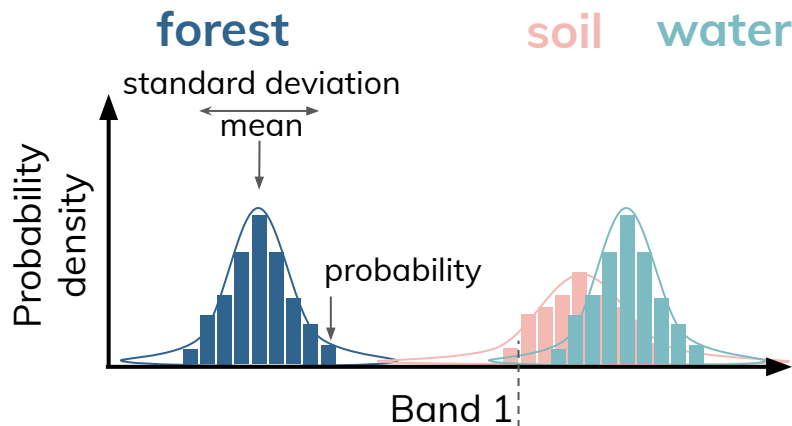


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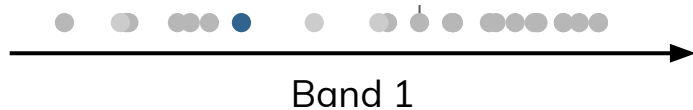


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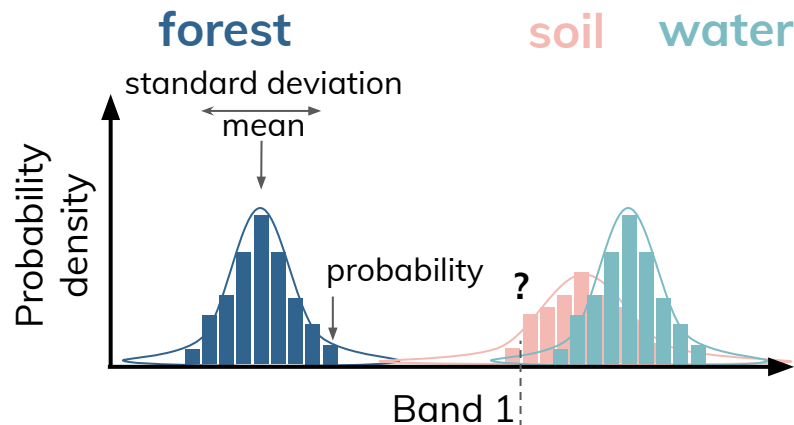


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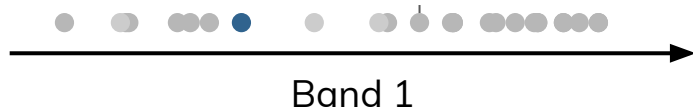


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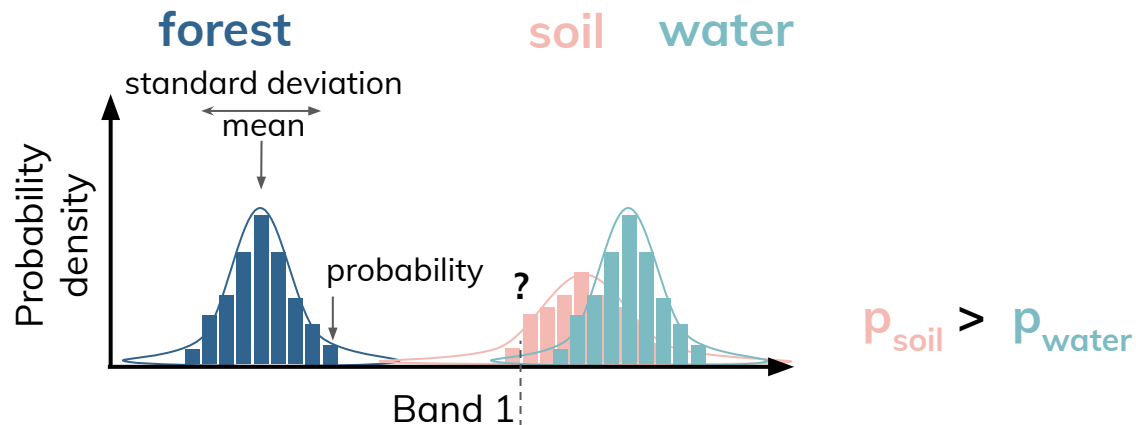


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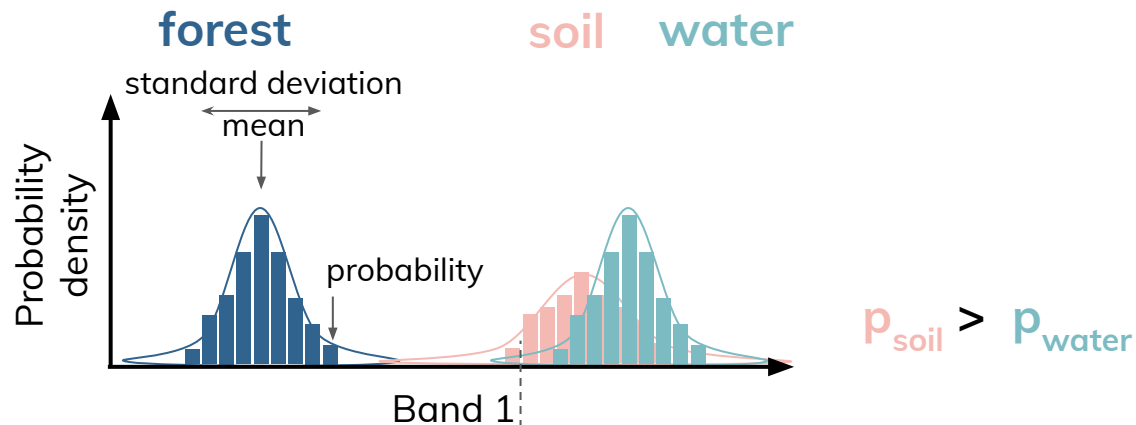


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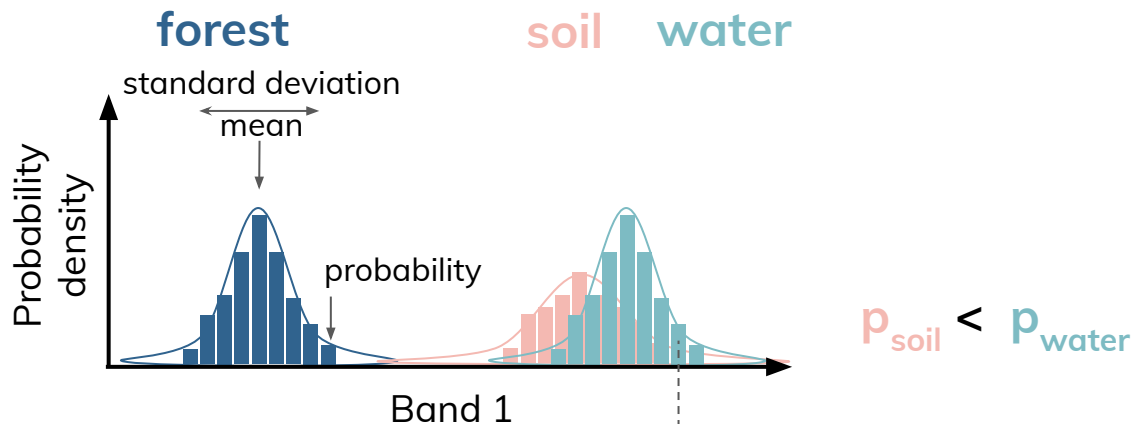


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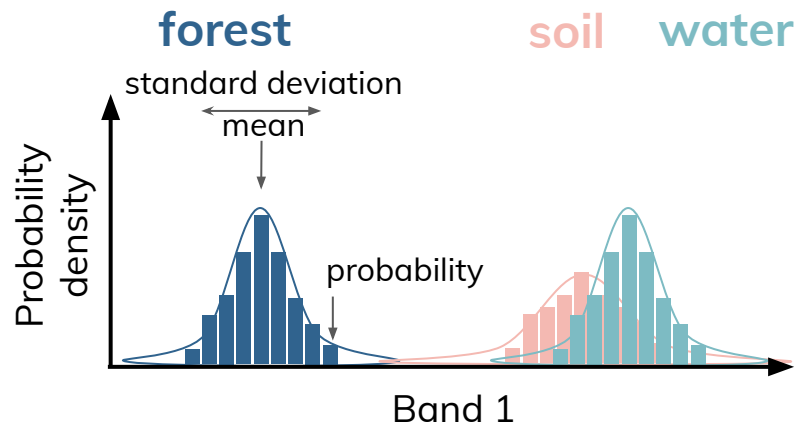


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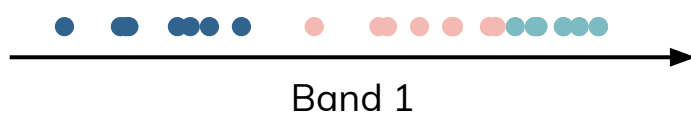


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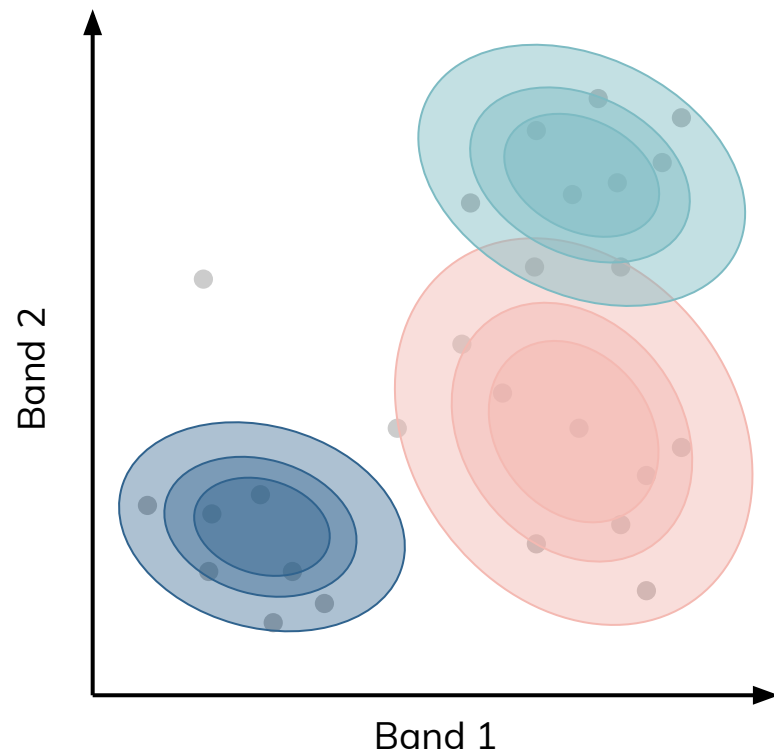


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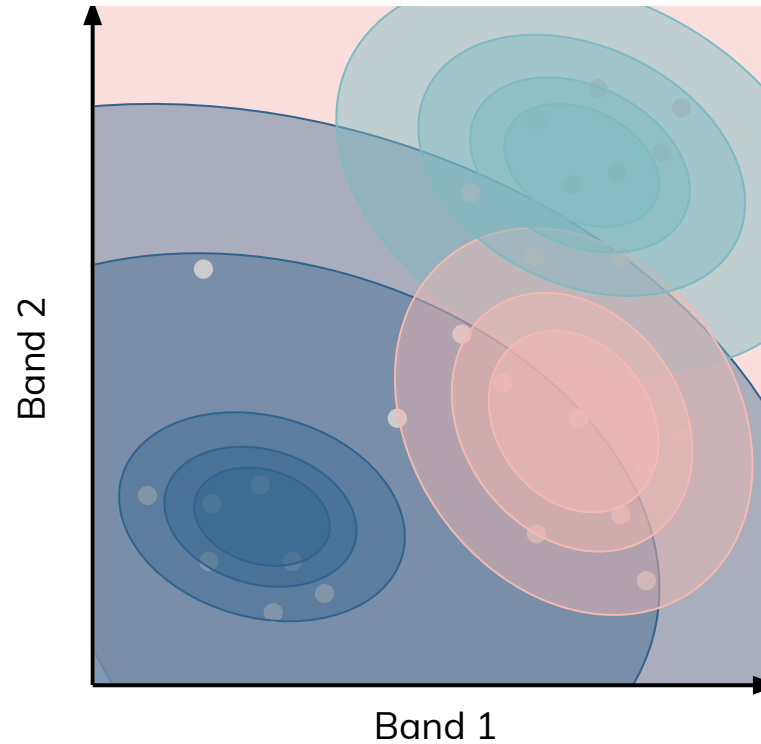


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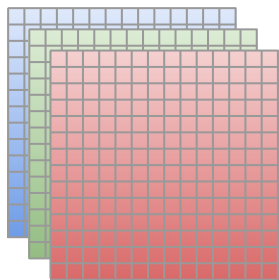


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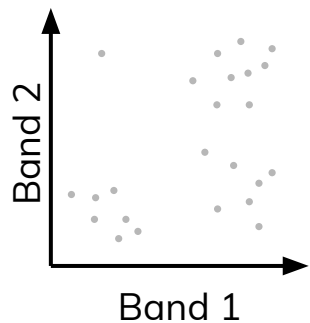


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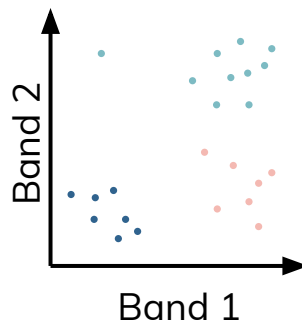
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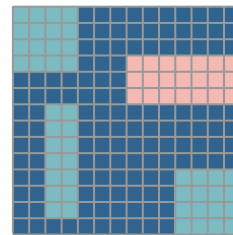
Feature space



unsupervised
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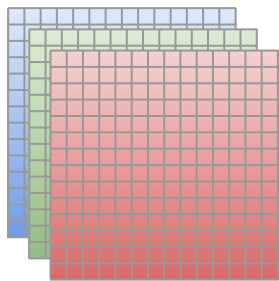


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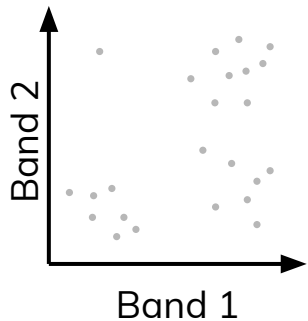


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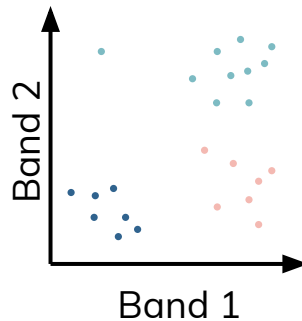
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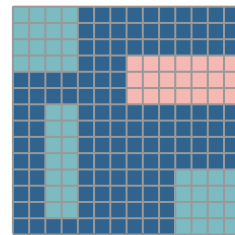
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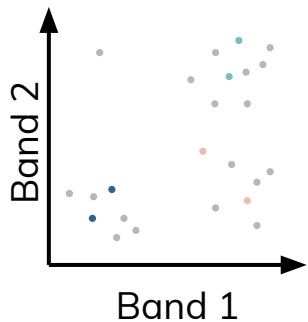
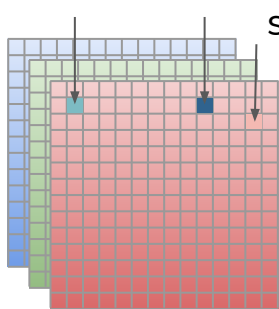


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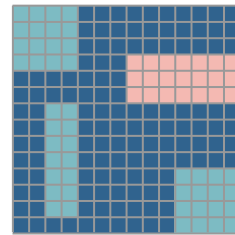
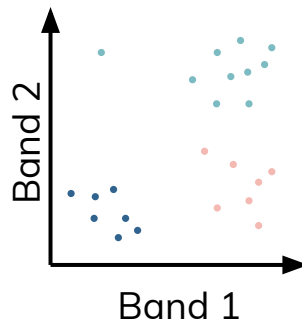


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soil



supervised
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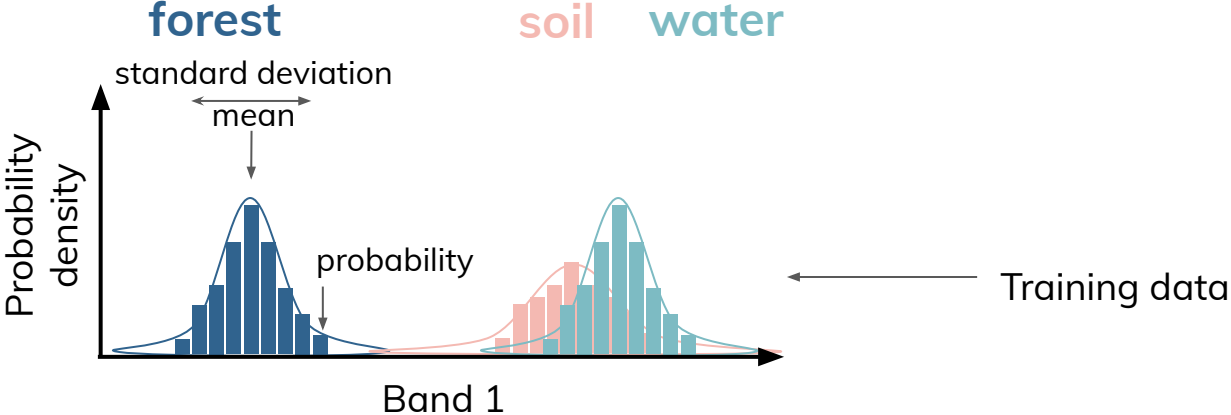


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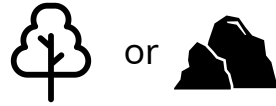


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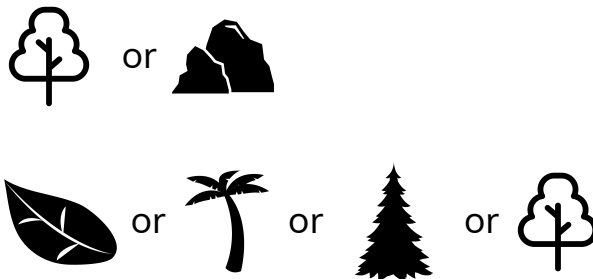
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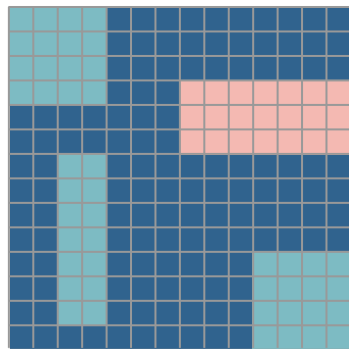
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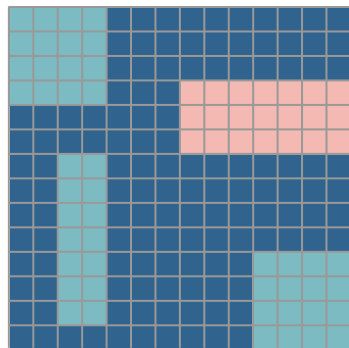
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Testing how we did!



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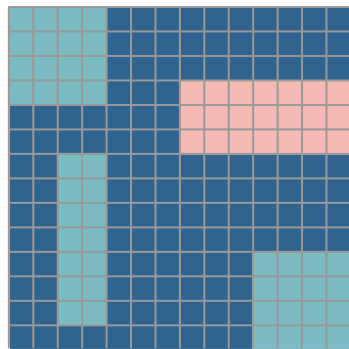
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Our guess based on
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“True answer”

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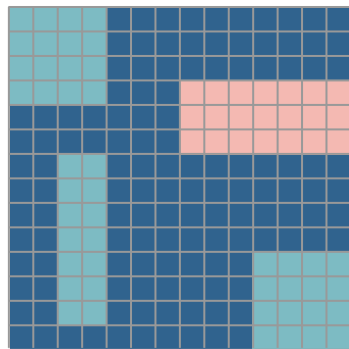
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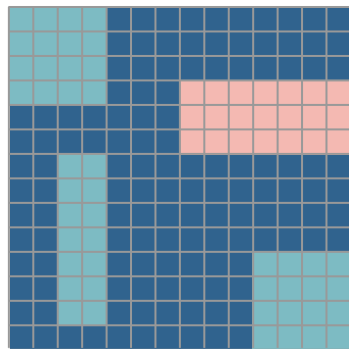
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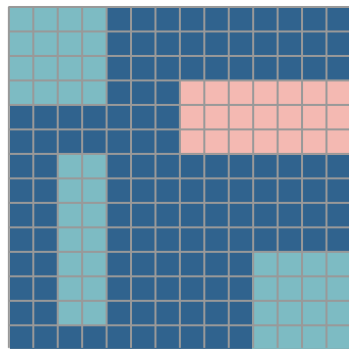
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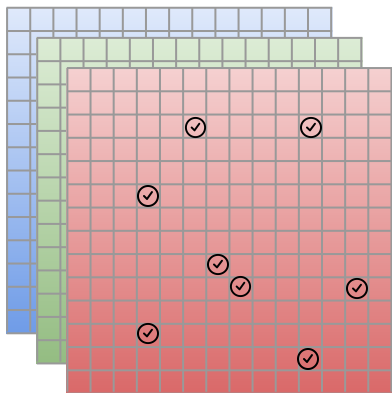
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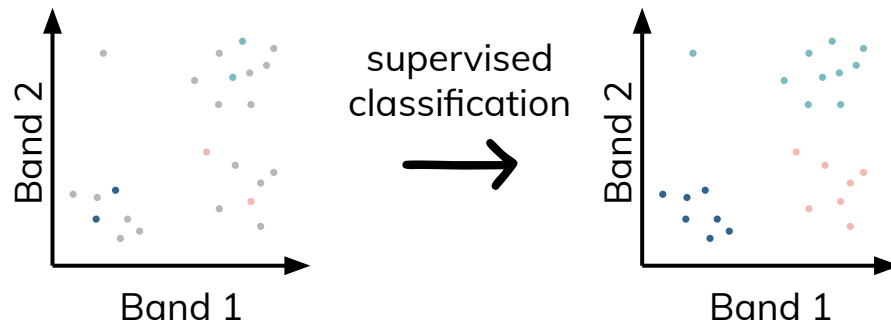
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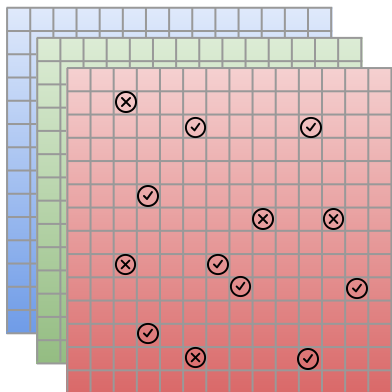
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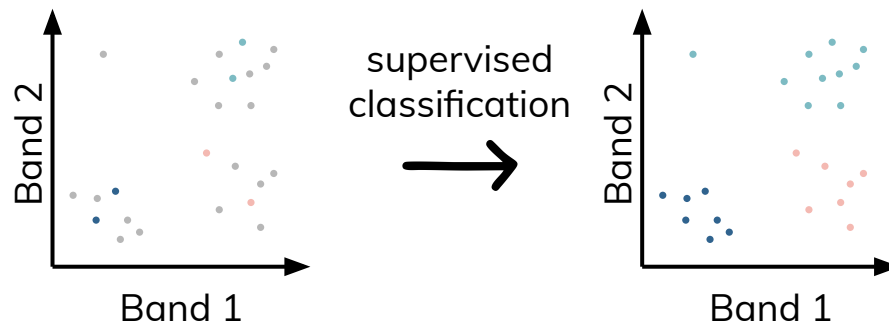
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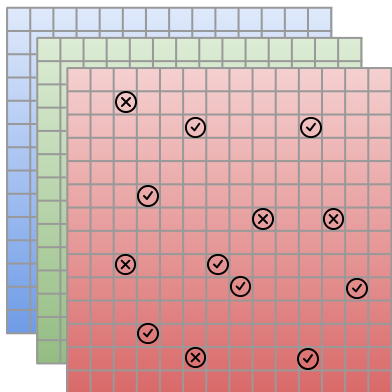
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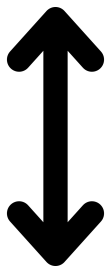
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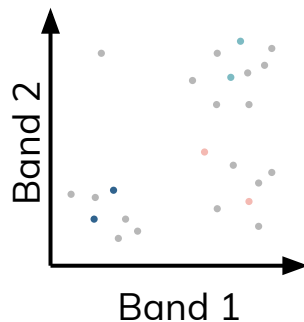


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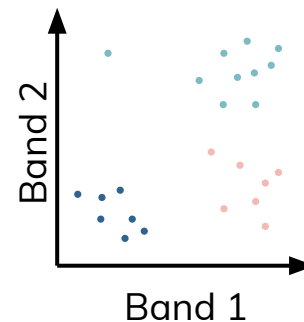


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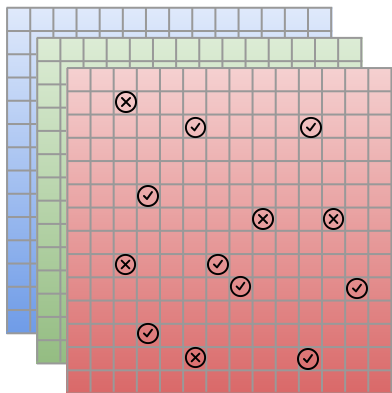
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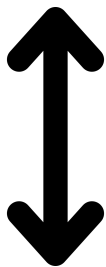
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Cross-validation

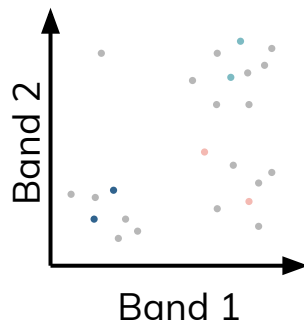


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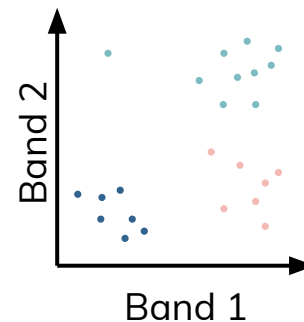


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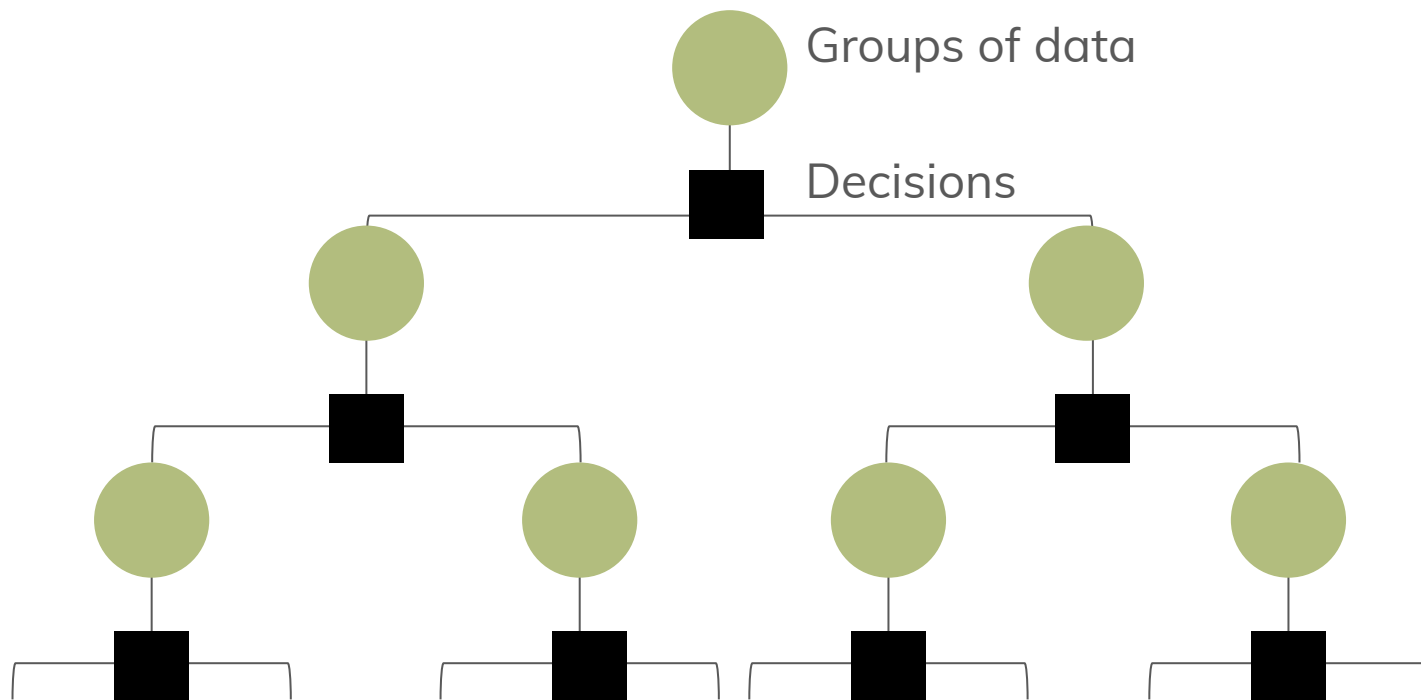
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Summary

- **To classify objects, we try to separate them based on spectral features**
- **Lots of different ways to do this!**
 - Unsupervised approaches don't require any information upfront, but is hard to interpret
 - Supervised approaches are easier to interpret, but require information upfront

Today's classification task

Decision trees



Classification and Regression Trees (CART) algorithm

Gini Impurity:

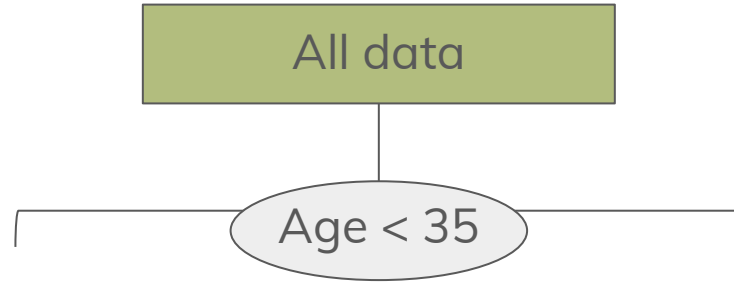
$$G = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^c p_i^2$$

c is the number of classes

p_i is the probability of a randomly chosen element in the node being labeled as class i

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50	60,000	No
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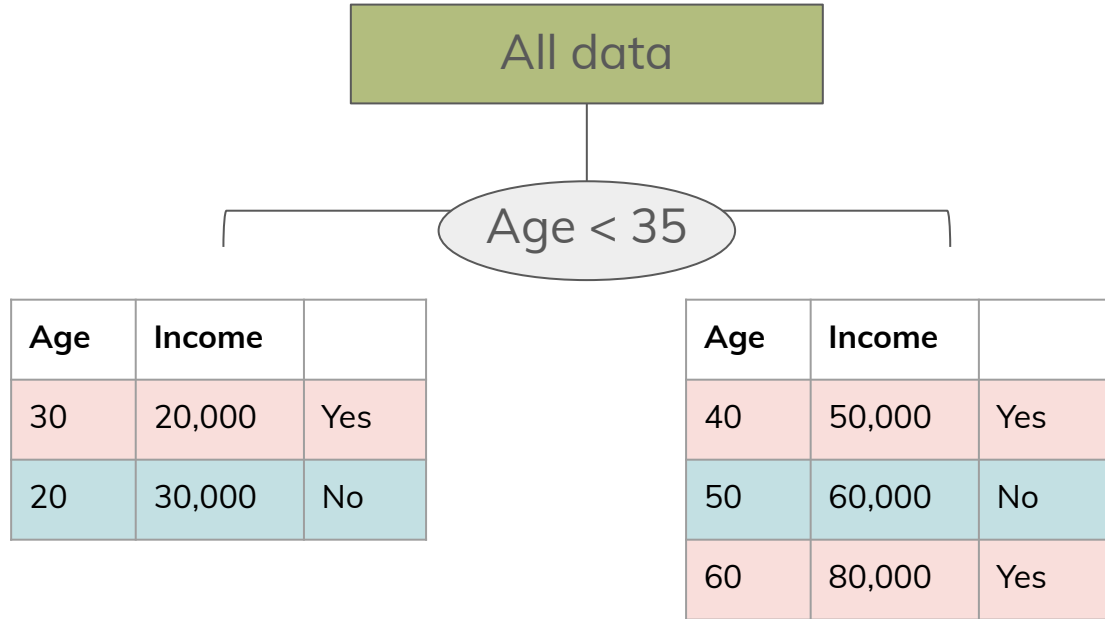


All data

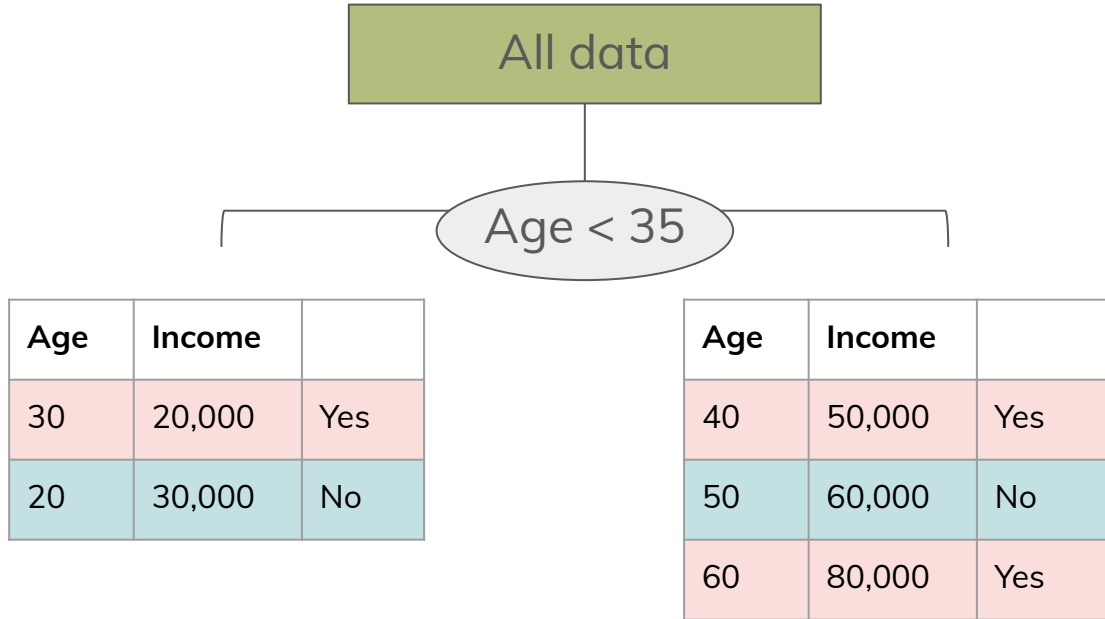
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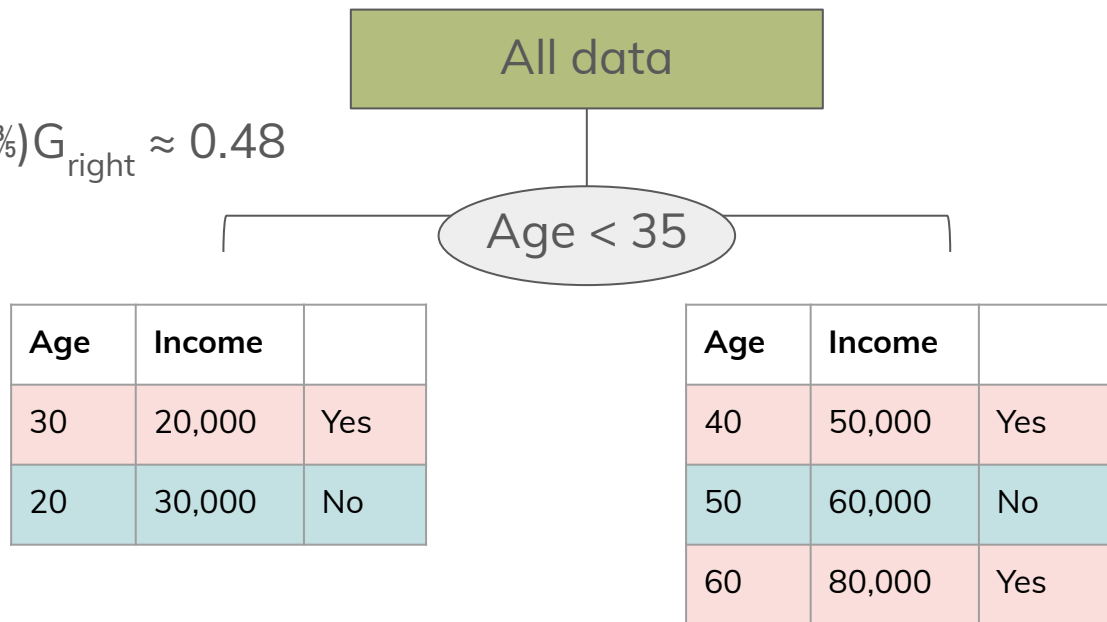
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Big ask!

ESCIIs due December 8!