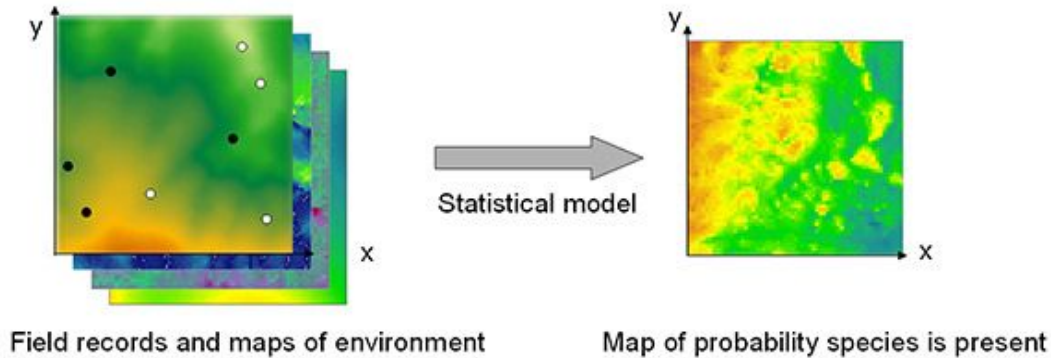


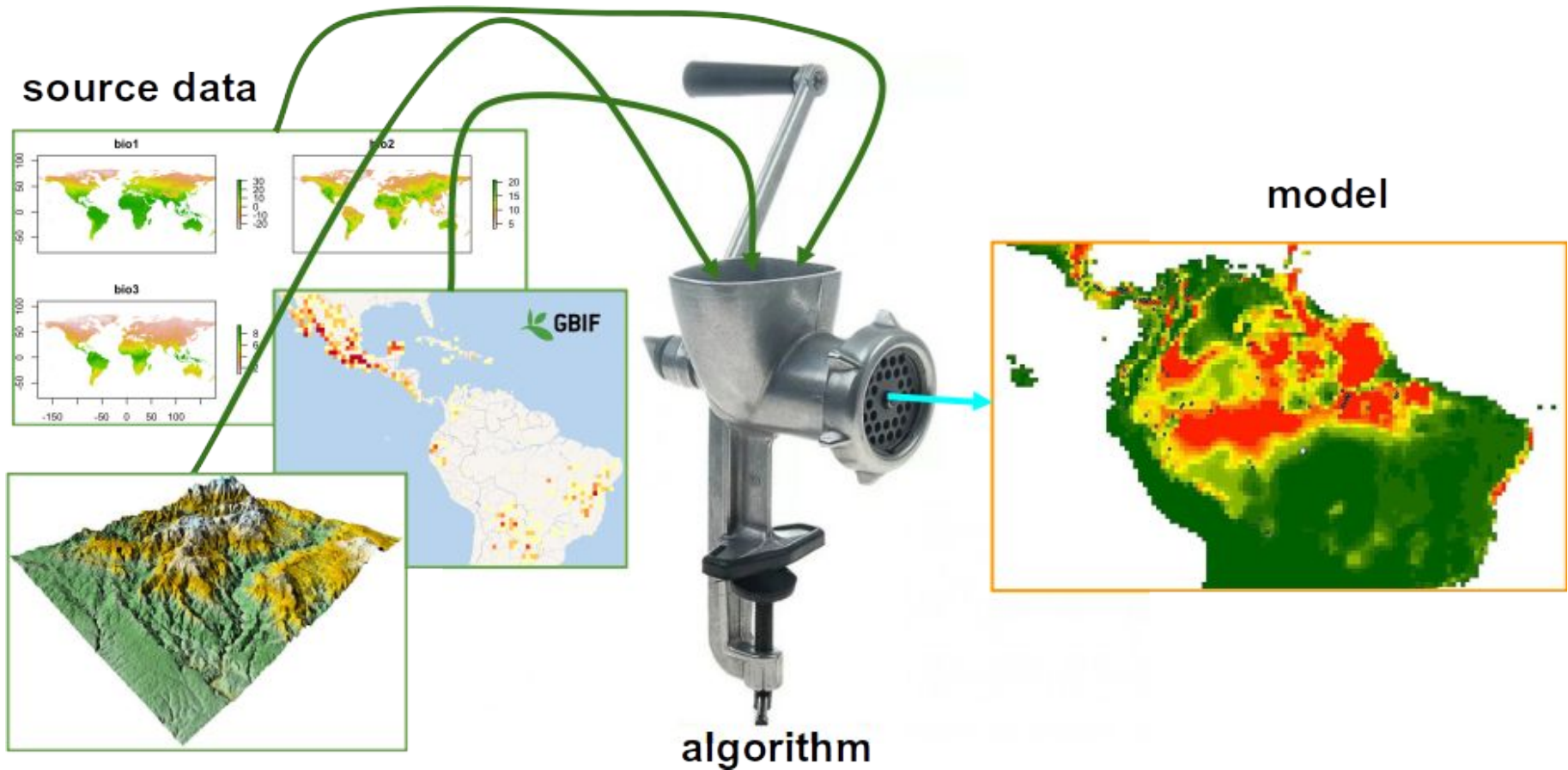
# Open Data Sources for Species Distribution Modeling: Species Occurrences and Environmental Predictors



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Karaganda Buketov University

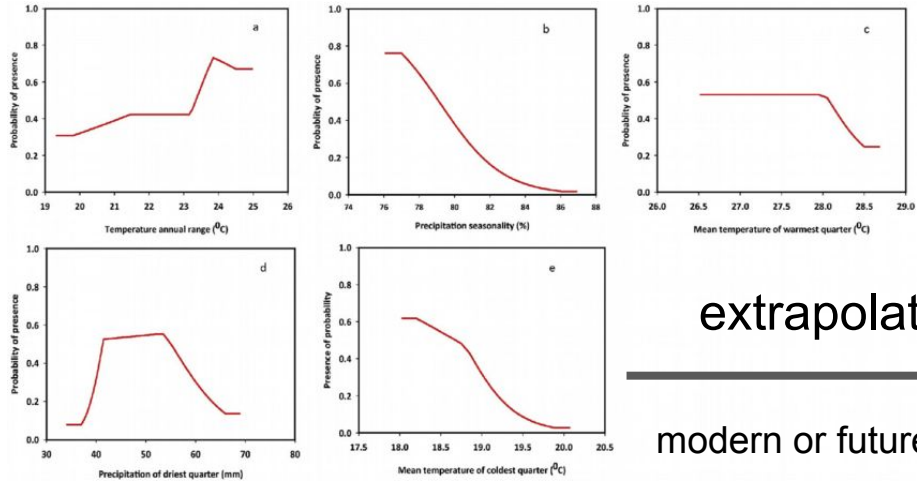
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# Species Distribution Modelling, the first approach



# Species Distribution Modelling

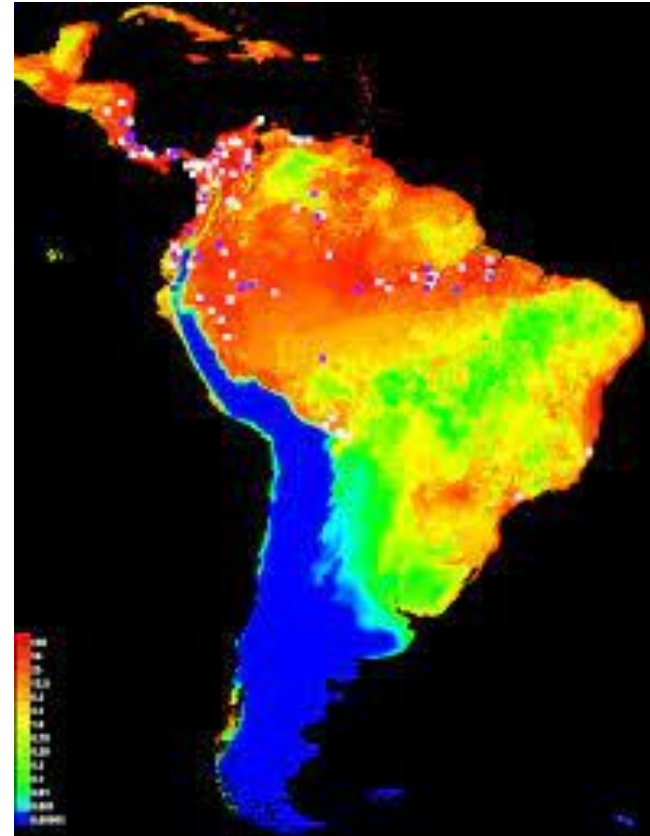
## Explanation *response curves from MaxEnt*



extrapolation

modern or future climate

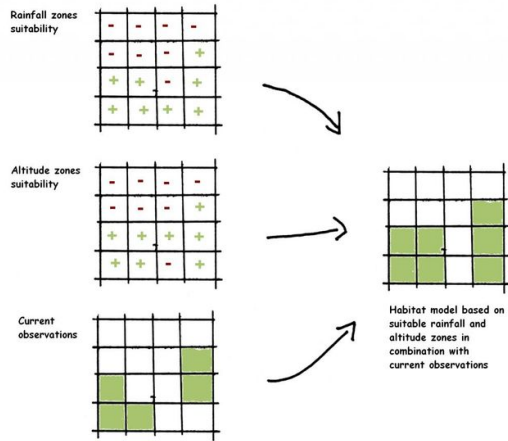
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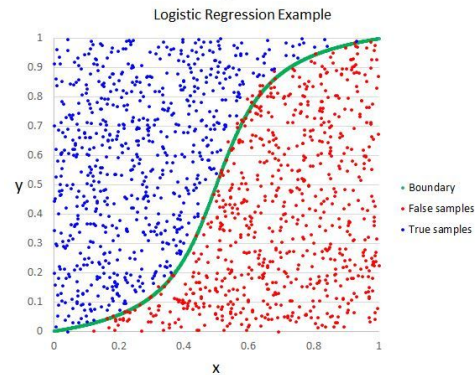
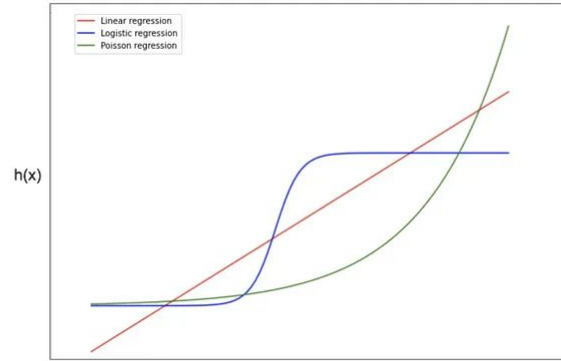
Quantifying the relationship between the geographical distribution of a population of a species under study and environmental factors in order to model its distribution under present, past or future conditions

# Modelling methods

## climatic envelope

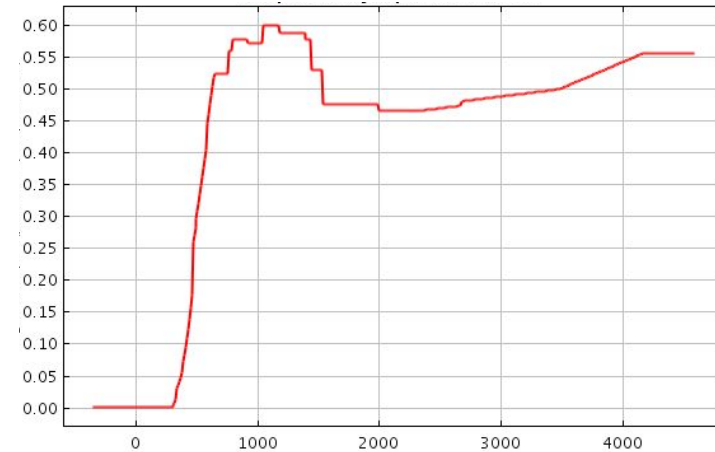


## regression analysis



## machine learning

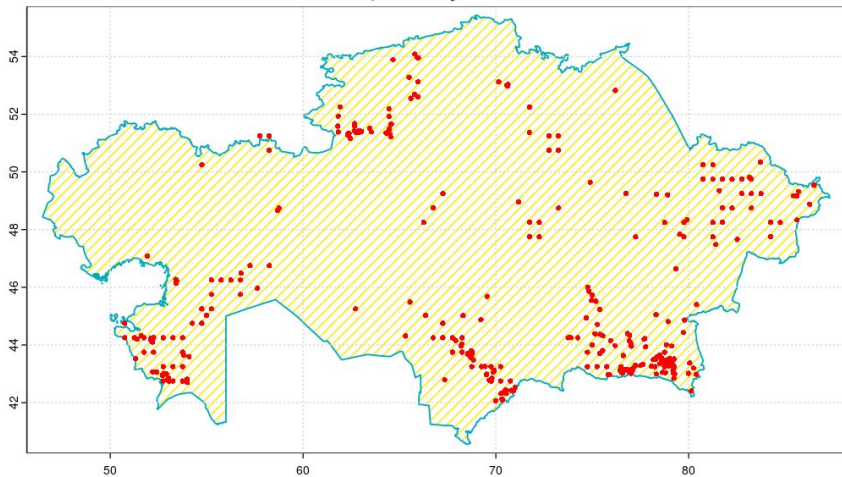
MaxEnt  
Boosted Regression Trees  
Random Forest



# Input Data: occurrence points and environmental layers

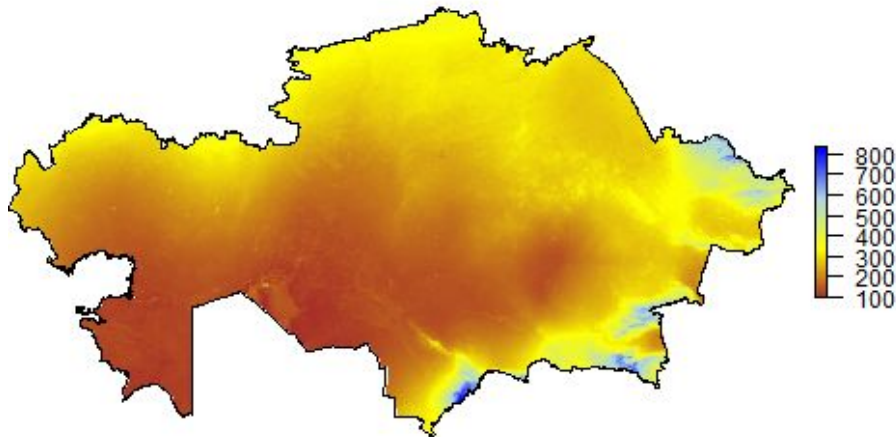
Occurrences of focal species - vector layer

*Aquila chrysaetos*



response variable - what we trying to explain  
in the model output - probability of occurrence

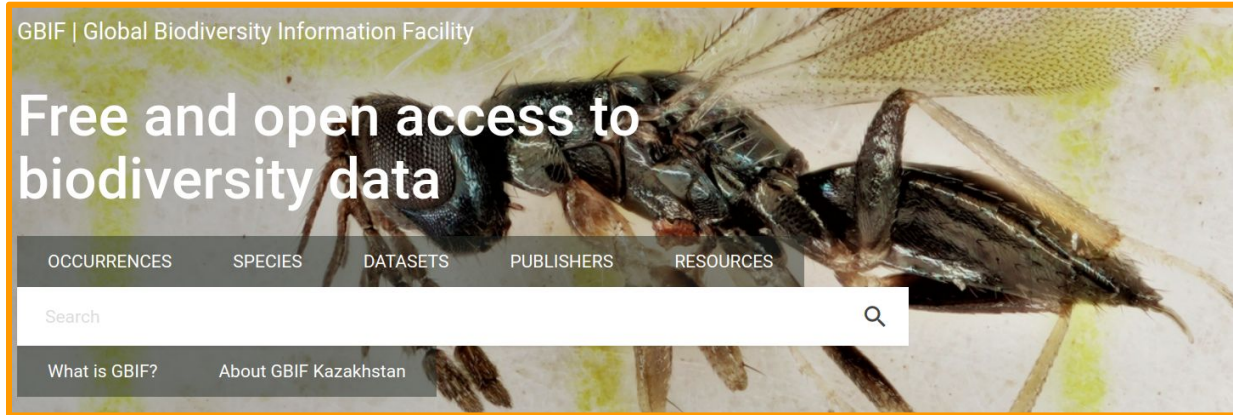
Environmental variables - raster layer



predictors - independent (explanatory) variables

There are plenty of open source to obtain data both on species occurrences and environmental variables

# Global Biodiversity Information Facility - GBIF.org



2,578,743,049

Occurrence records



90,136

Datasets



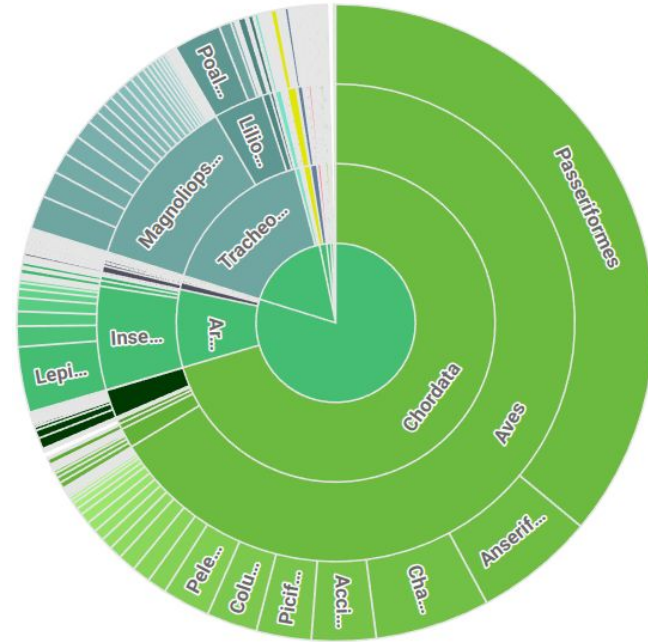
2,128

Publishing institutions



9,348

Peer-reviewed papers using data



1,710,054,371 records on **birds** including:

collection specimens ~ 8.5 млн  
machine observation > 9 млн

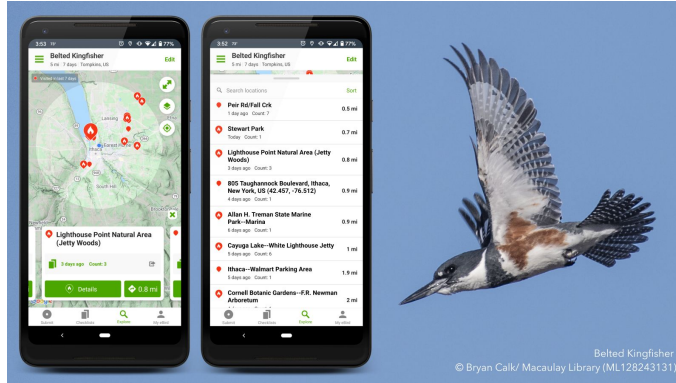
the main source of open biodiversity data

# Species Occurrence

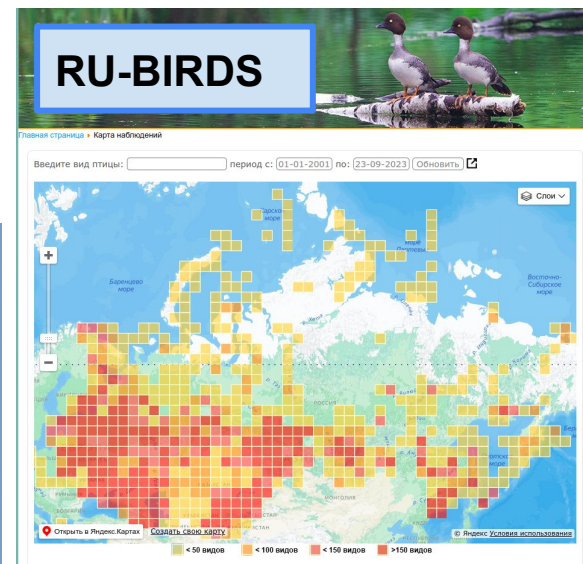
# eBird



15 M records



Belted Kingfisher  
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## Birds of Northern Eurasia

820 000 orservers  
1 277.5 M records



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# GBIF Birds Occurrences: North Eurasia

eBird

1 004 744 records

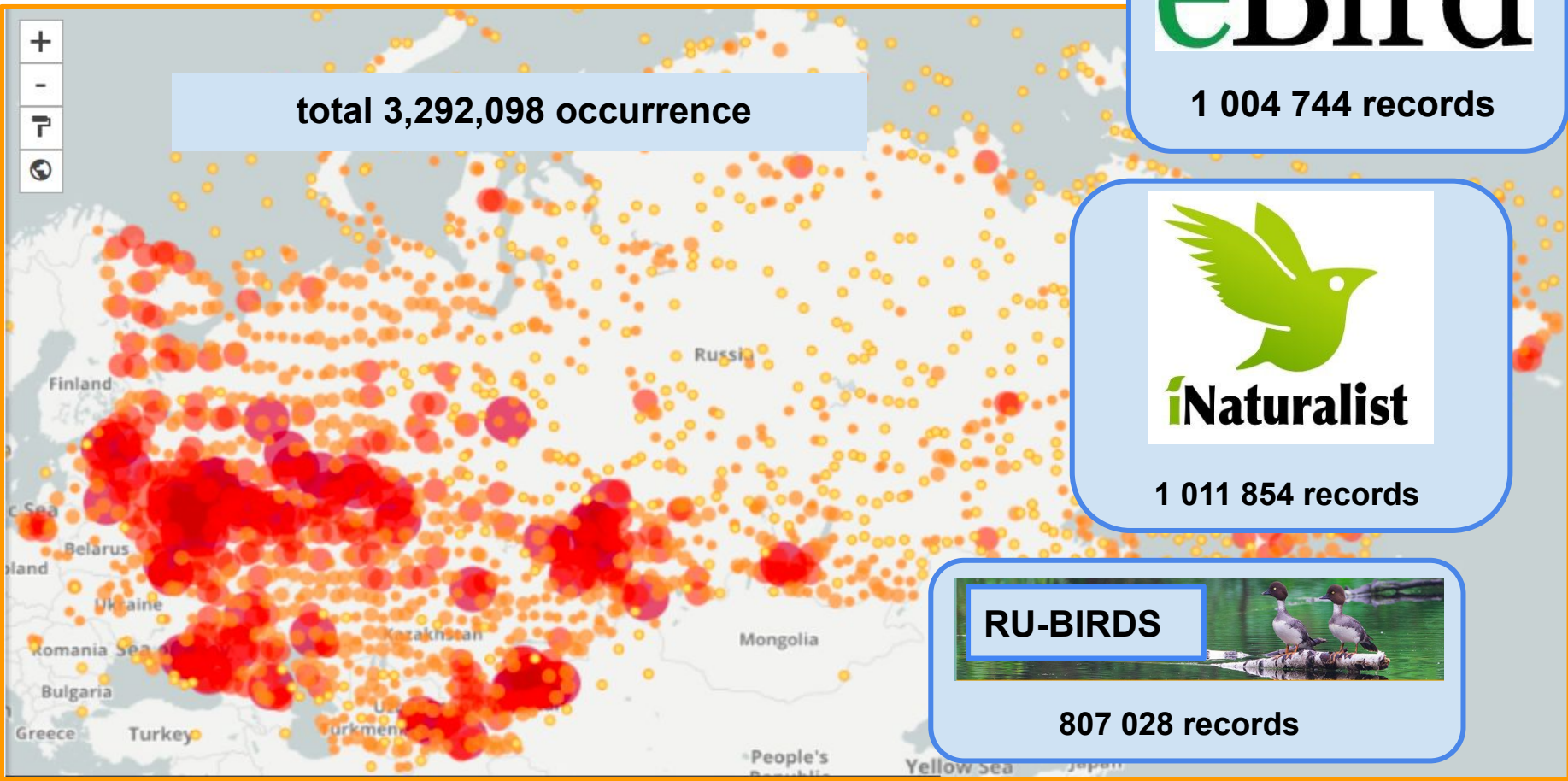
total 3,292,098 occurrence



1 011 854 records

RU-BIRDS

807 028 records





## Occurrences: Data quality

out of 1 712 578 362 bird occurrences 21 685 716 supplied with images,  
which allow you to verify identification

with geographical coordinates: 1 688 421 712

with estimation of georeference accuracy: 316 174 456 < 20 %

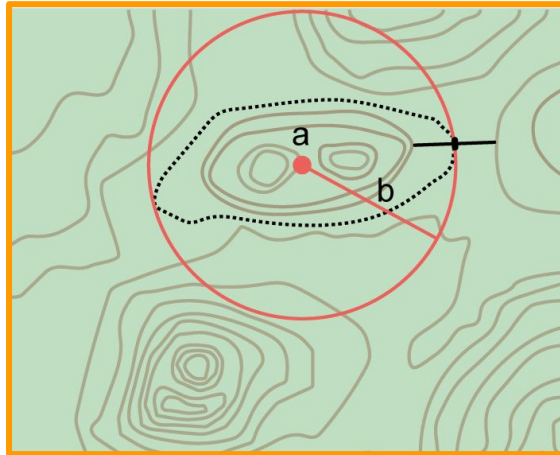
within 10 km: ~ 311 M

5 km: ~ 289 M

1 km: ~ 178 M

500 m ~ 142 M

100 m ~ 67 M

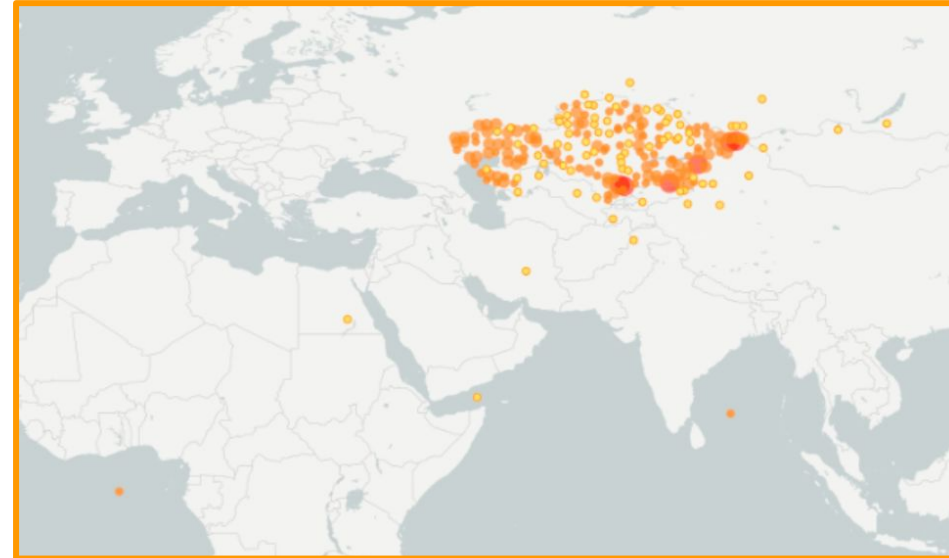
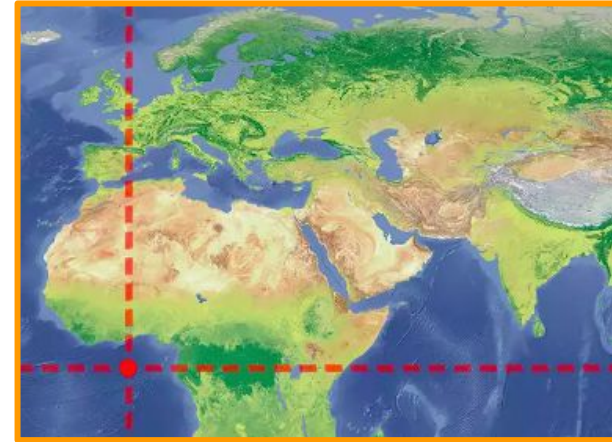


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# Data Cleaning and Filtering




1. remove occurrence without geographic coordinates
2. remove occurrence with zero coordinates
3. remove occurrence for which the coordinates do not match the specified country
4. remove occurrence with duplicated coordinates
5. remove occurrence without uncertainty assessment
6. remove occurrence with georeference uncertainty more than NN km
7. remove occurrence without clear date
8. remove occurrence before 19XX
9. remove ...

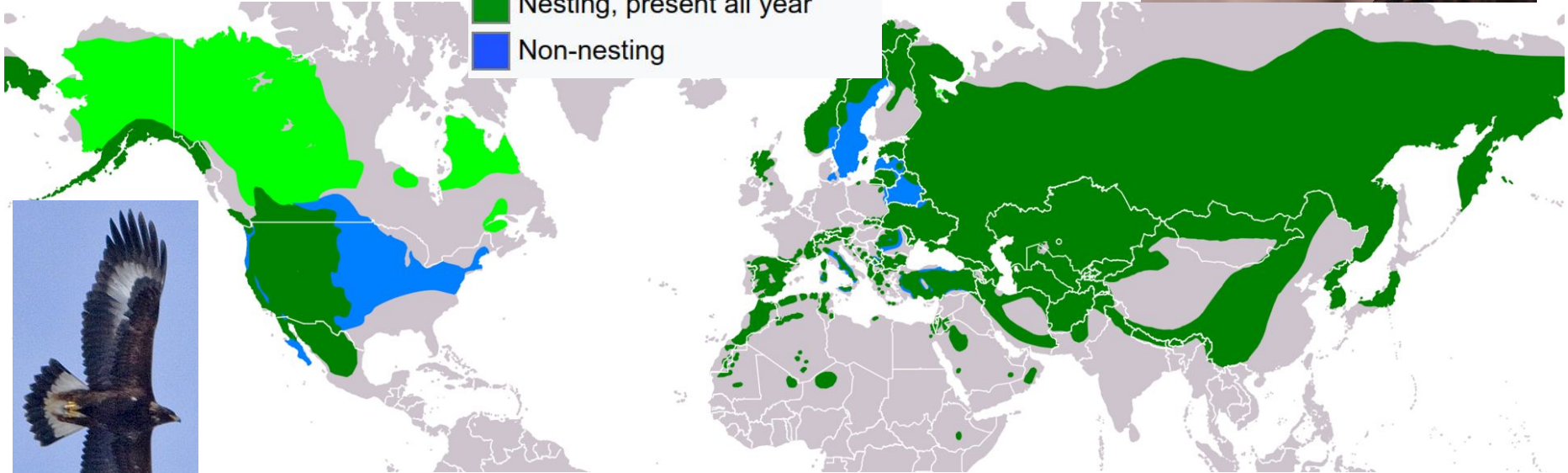


# Different zones of the range

Golden Eagle

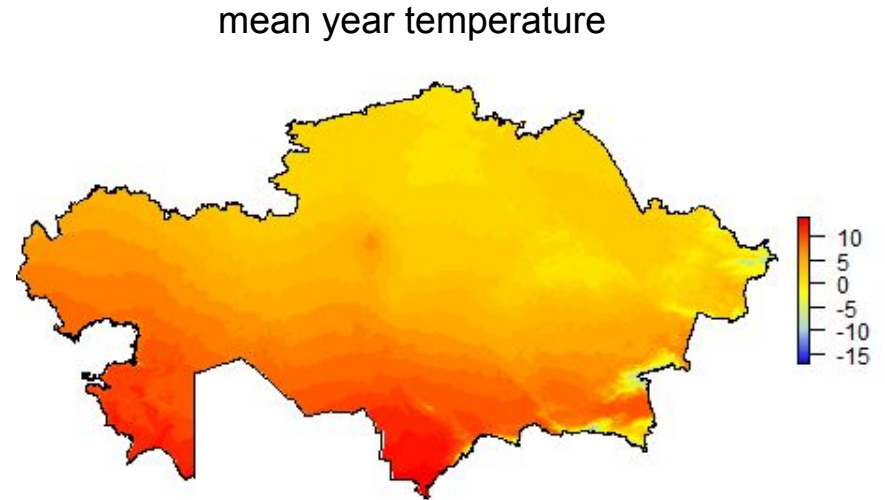
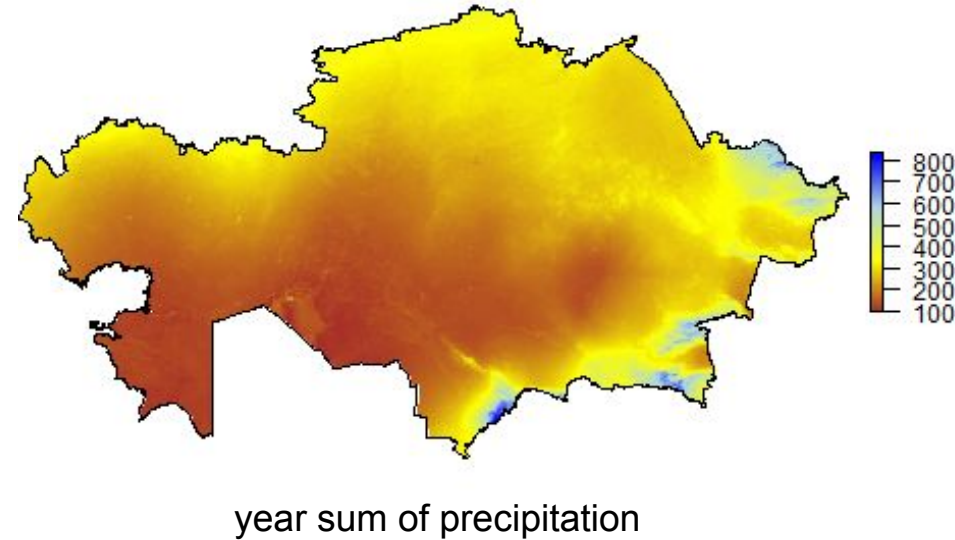
Range of *A. chrysaetos*

-  Nesting, present in summer
-  Nesting, present all year
-  Non-nesting



# WorldClim - the most used spatial dataset for SDM

at the regional scale we are expected distribution to be according to climatic conditions



at the local scale we need to take into account habitats, land use, urbanisation, etc

# SRTM - Shuttle Radar Topography Mission

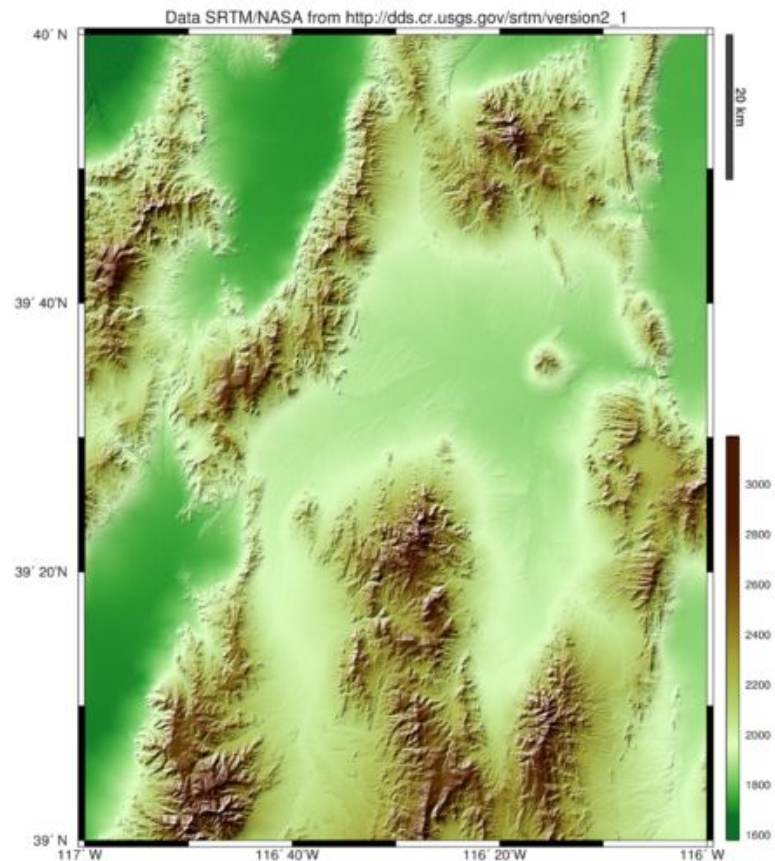
the main variable is elevation

resolution: 90m, 250m, 500m, 1km

v 1.0  
2003

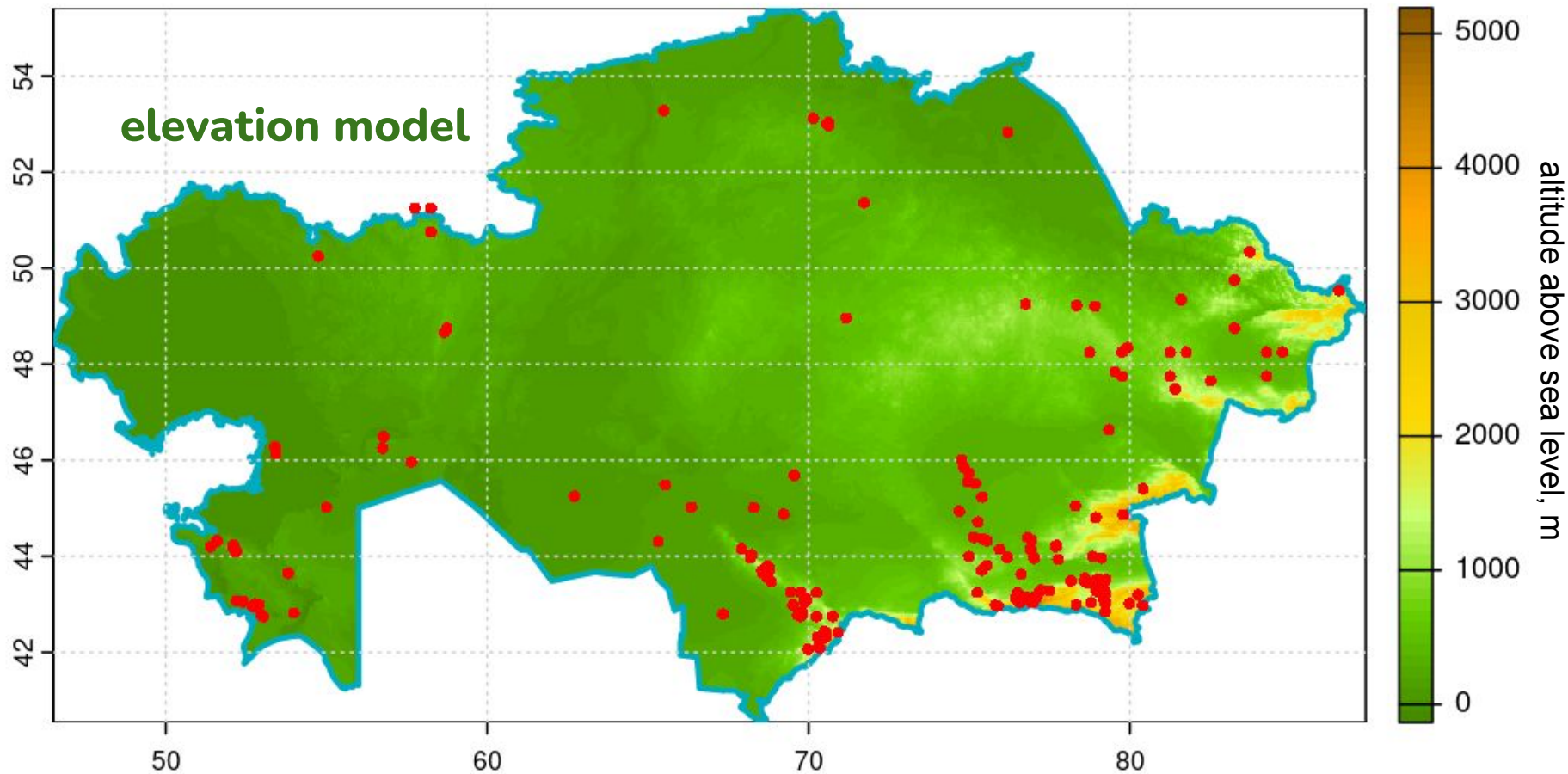
v 3.0  
2019-11

v 4.1  
actual



<https://csidotinfo.wordpress.com/data/srtm-90m-digital-elevation-database-v4-1/>

# Observations of Golden Eagle *Aquila chrysaetos*



# Remote Sensing Data: Landsat and Sentinel satellites

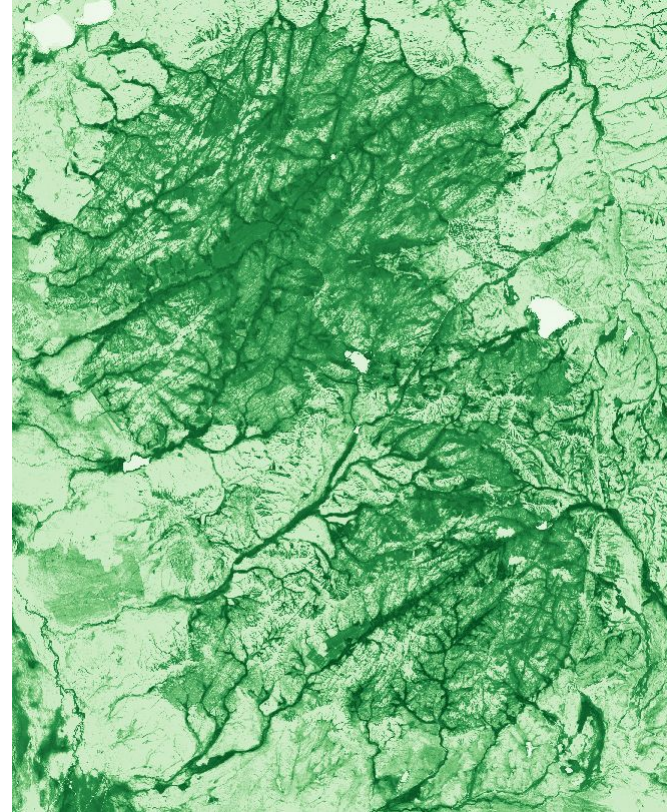
multispectral imaging of land cover

Landsat-5 since 1984  
(30 m resolution),

Landsat-9 from  
beginning of 2022

Sentinel since 2014  
(10 m resolution)

NDVI - Normalized  
difference vegetation  
index



# Habitat Types: Global Land Cover 2000



Global land cover 2000, 250m

- Tree Cover, broadleaved, evergreen
- Tree Cover, broadleaved, deciduous, closed
- Tree Cover, broadleaved, deciduous, open
- Tree Cover, needle-leaved, evergreen
- Tree Cover, needle-leaved, deciduous
- Tree Cover, mixed leaf type
- Tree Cover, regularly flooded, fresh water
- Tree Cover, regularly flooded, saline water
- Mosaic: Tree cover/Other natural vegetation
- Tree Cover, bunt
- Shrub Cover, closed-open, evergreen
- Shrub Cover, closed-open, deciduous

Categorical variable

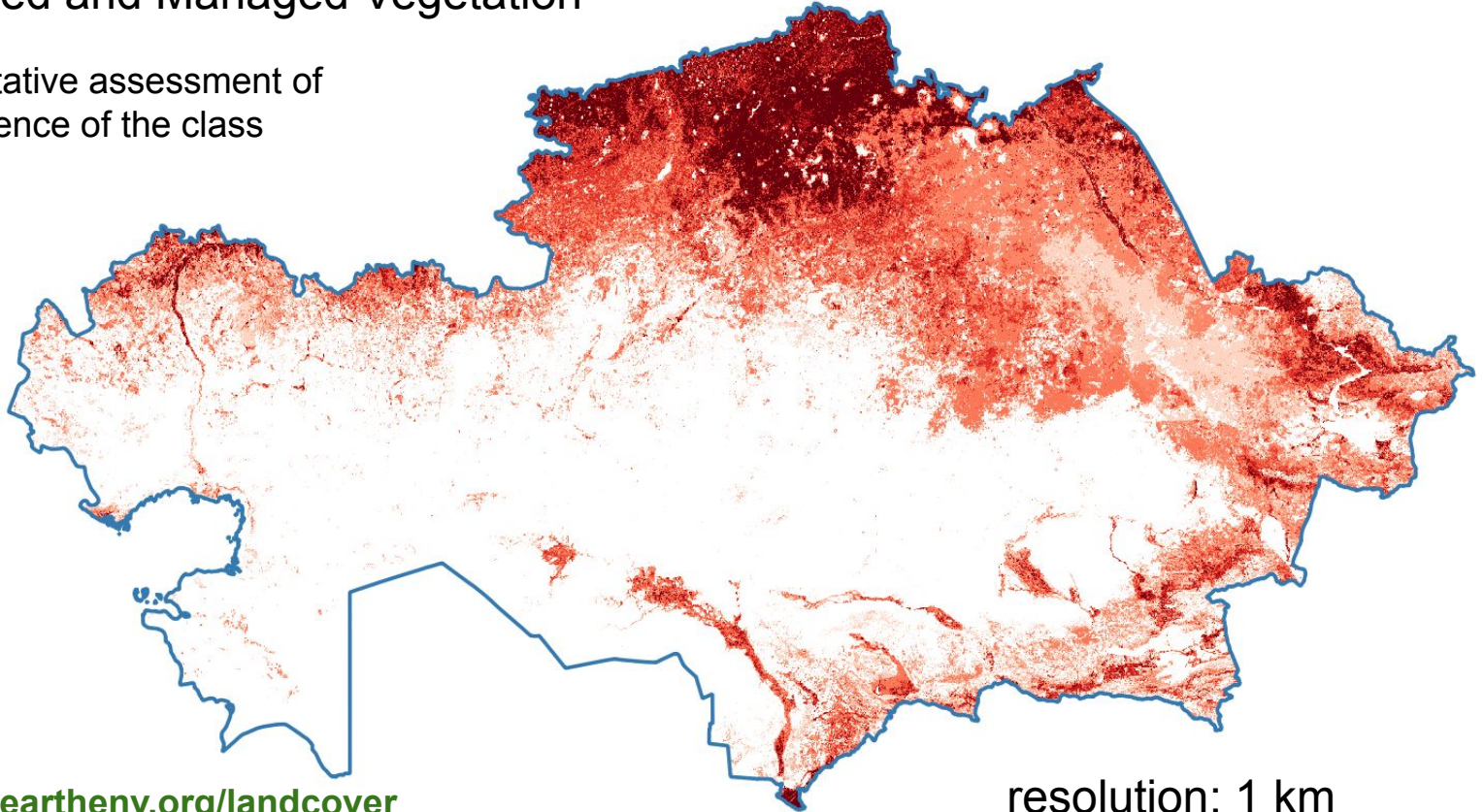
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# Habitat Types: Global 1-km Consensus Land Cover

## Cultivated and Managed Vegetation

quantitative assessment of  
prevalence of the class

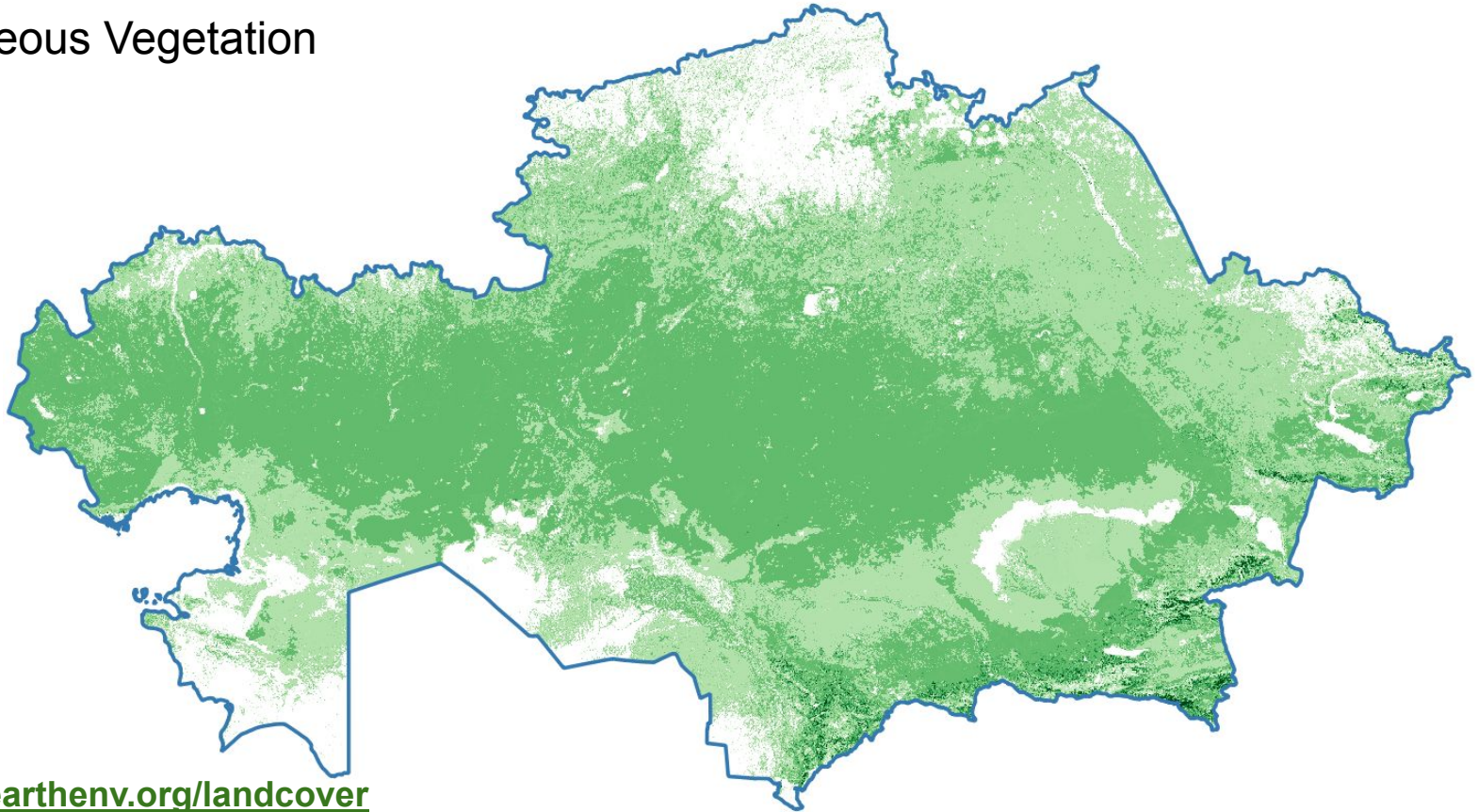


<https://www.earthenv.org/landcover>

resolution: 1 km

# Habitat Types: Global 1-km Consensus Land Cover

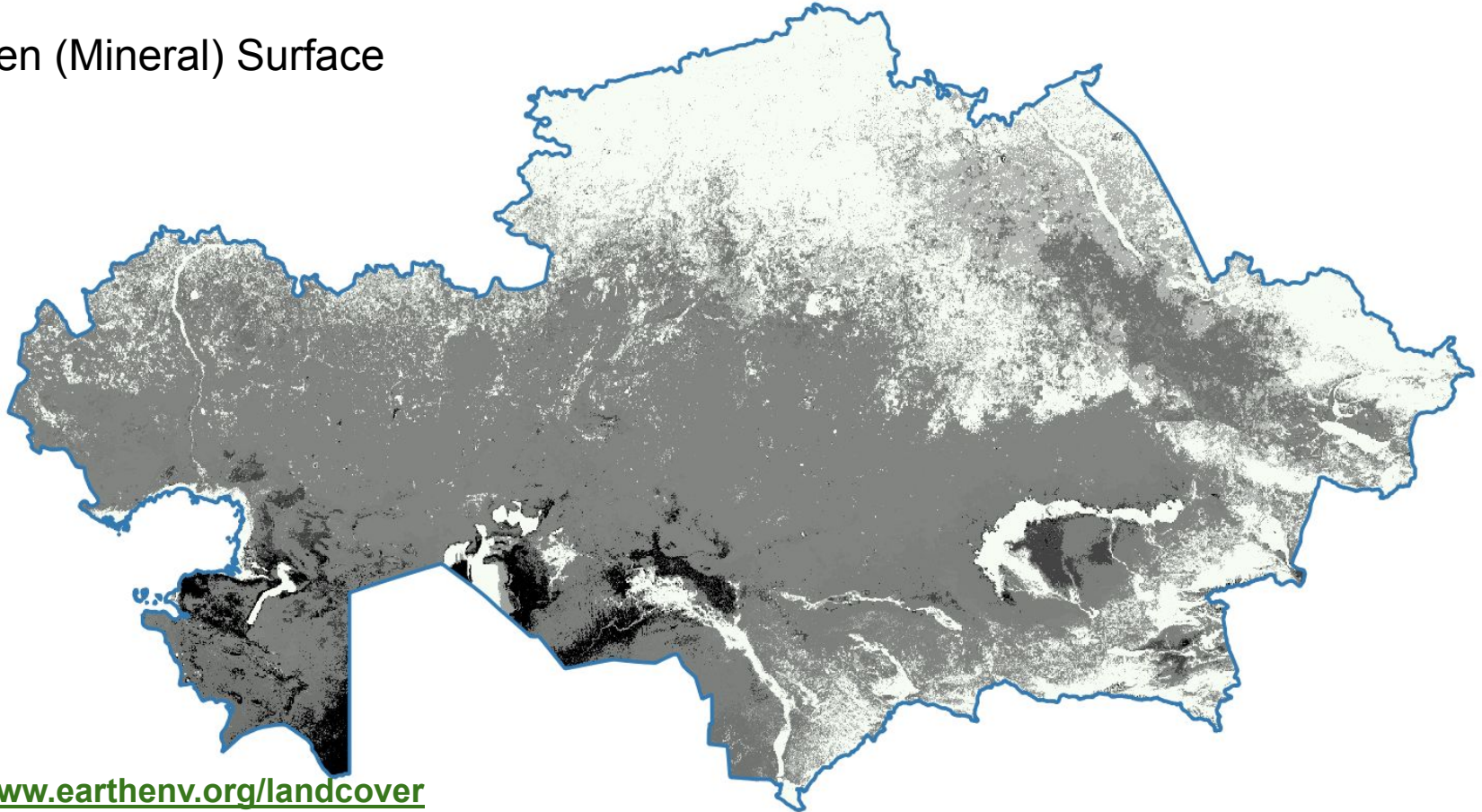
Herbaceous Vegetation



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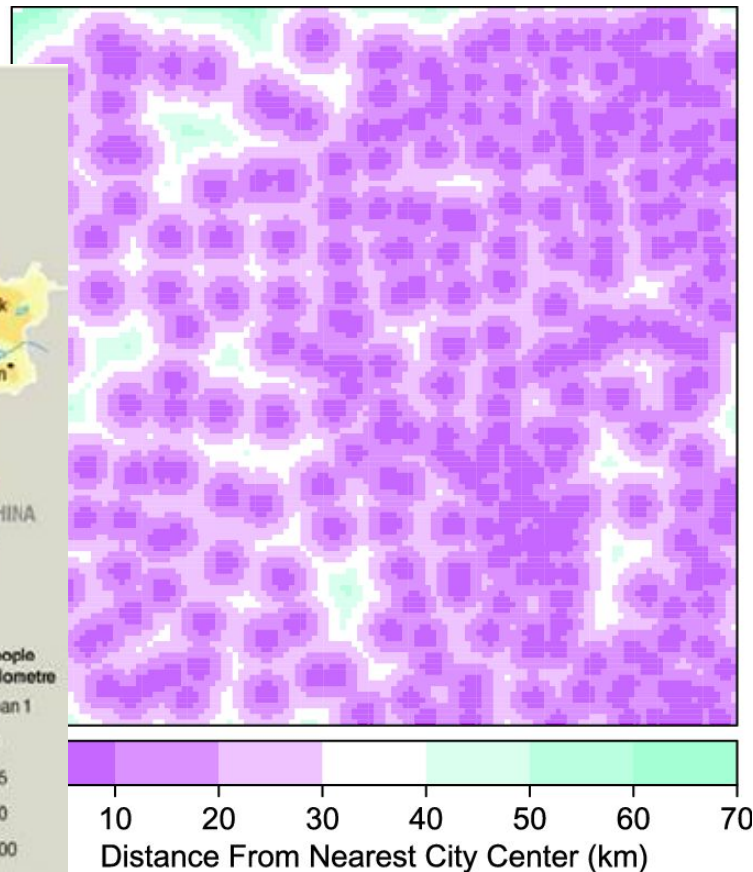
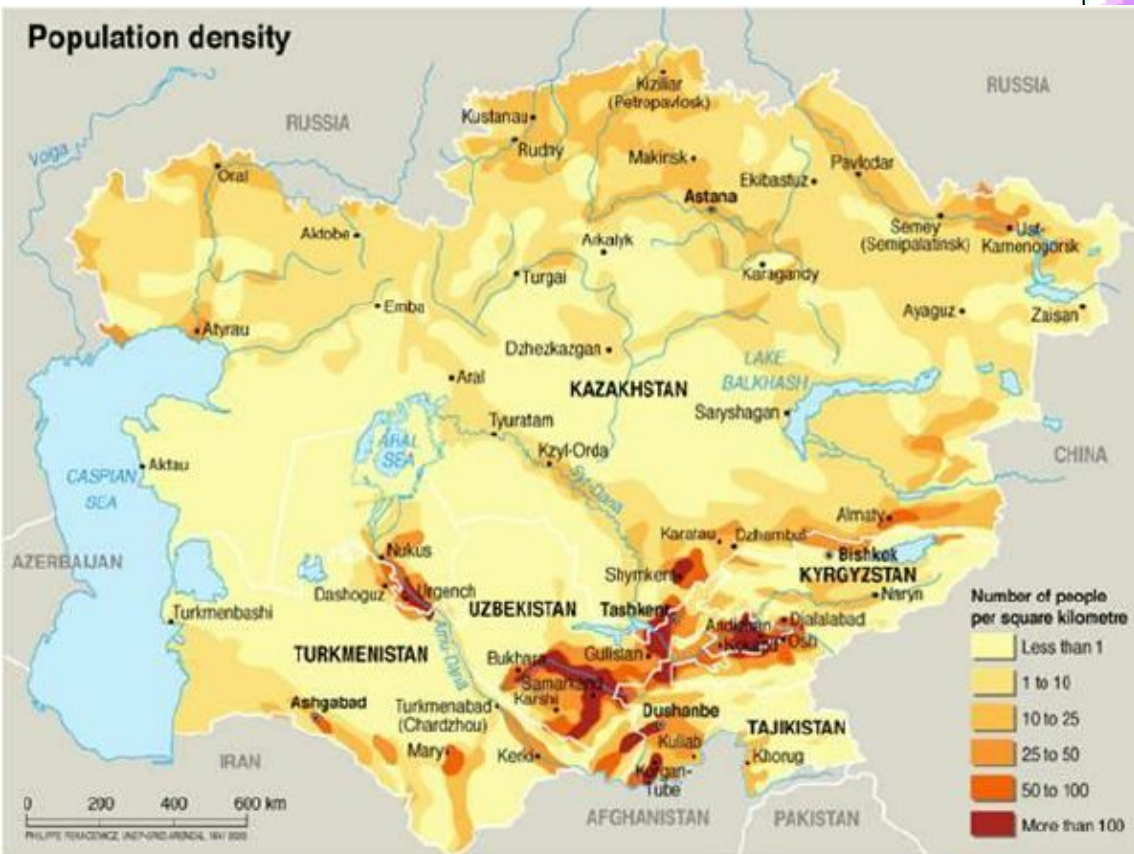
Barren (Mineral) Surface



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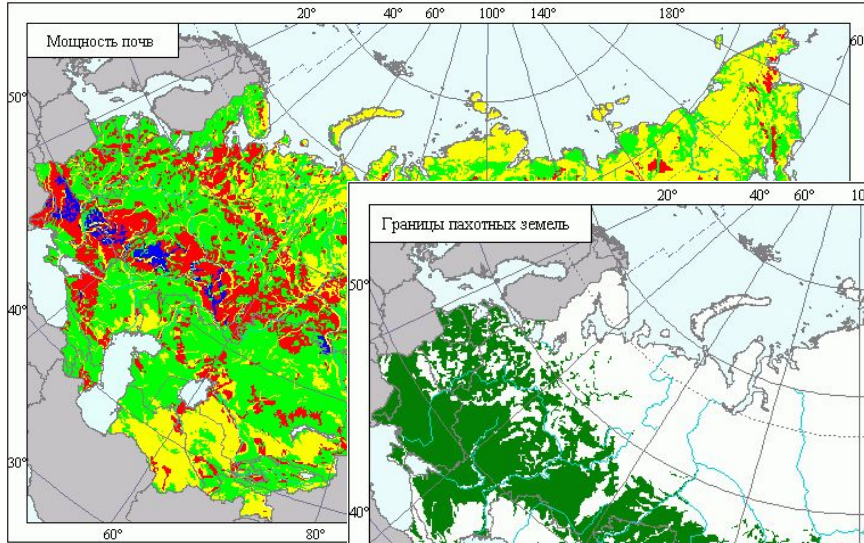
# Anthropogenic Influence and Infrastructure

humal population density

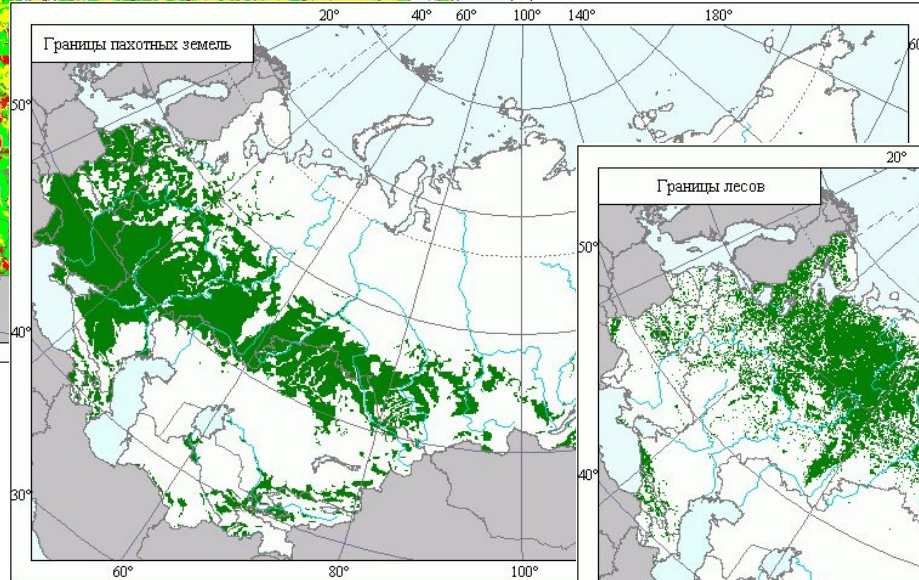


[10.1175/WCAS-D-12-00040.1](https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Population-density-in-Central-Asia_fig1_246547400)

# Agroecological atlas of Russia and neighbouring countries



Soil thickness  
quantitative discrete variable



Arable lands  
qualitative binary variable



Forests  
qualitative binary variable

# GADM - Global ADMinistrative database

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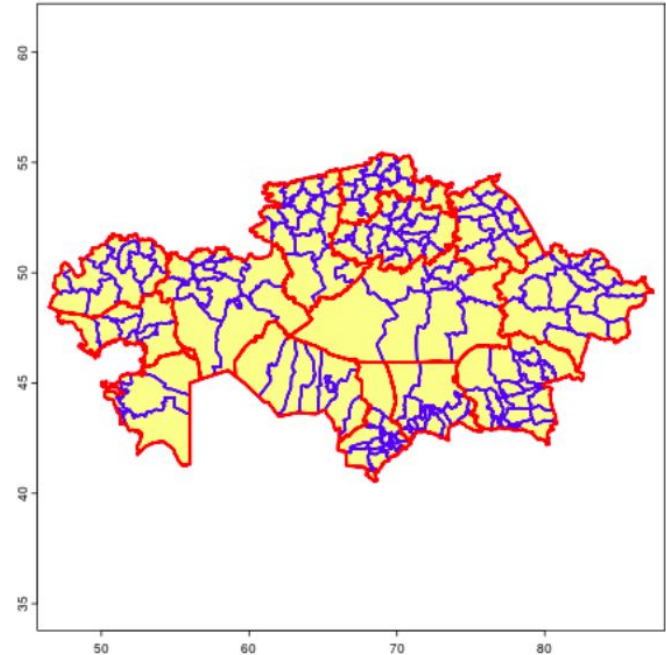
## GADM maps and data

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# Software for Species Distribution Modelling

*as conclusion*

MaxEnt 3.4.4 [https://biodiversityinformatics.amnh.org/open\\_source/maxent](https://biodiversityinformatics.amnh.org/open_source/maxent)

[Краткое введение в MaxEnt](#) (GIS-lab)

R environment <https://rspatial.org/raster/sdm> (tutorial)

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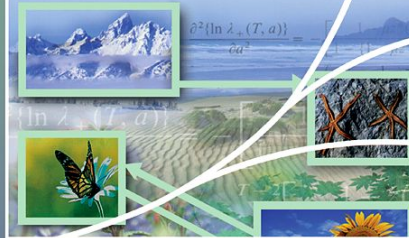


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