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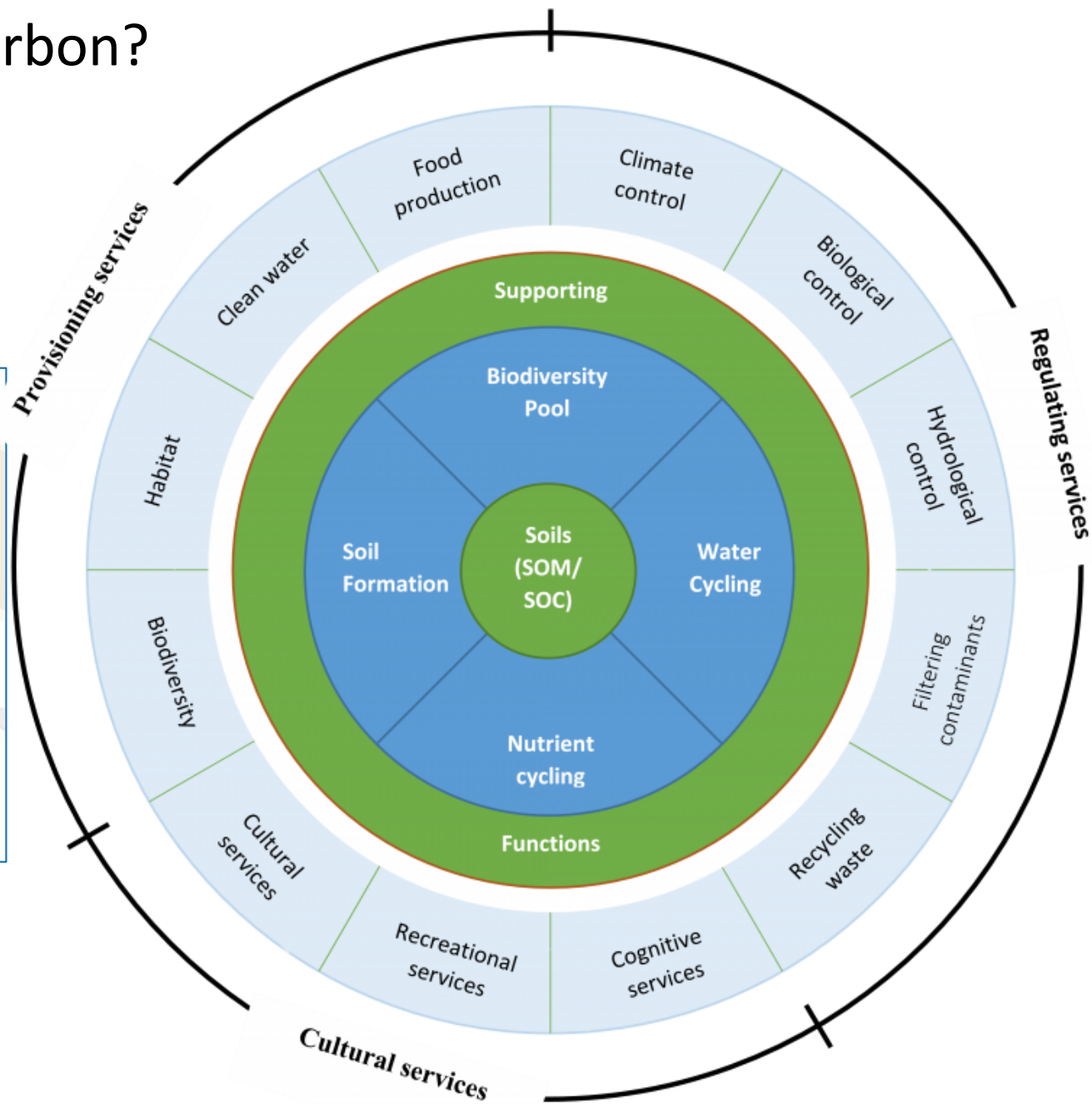
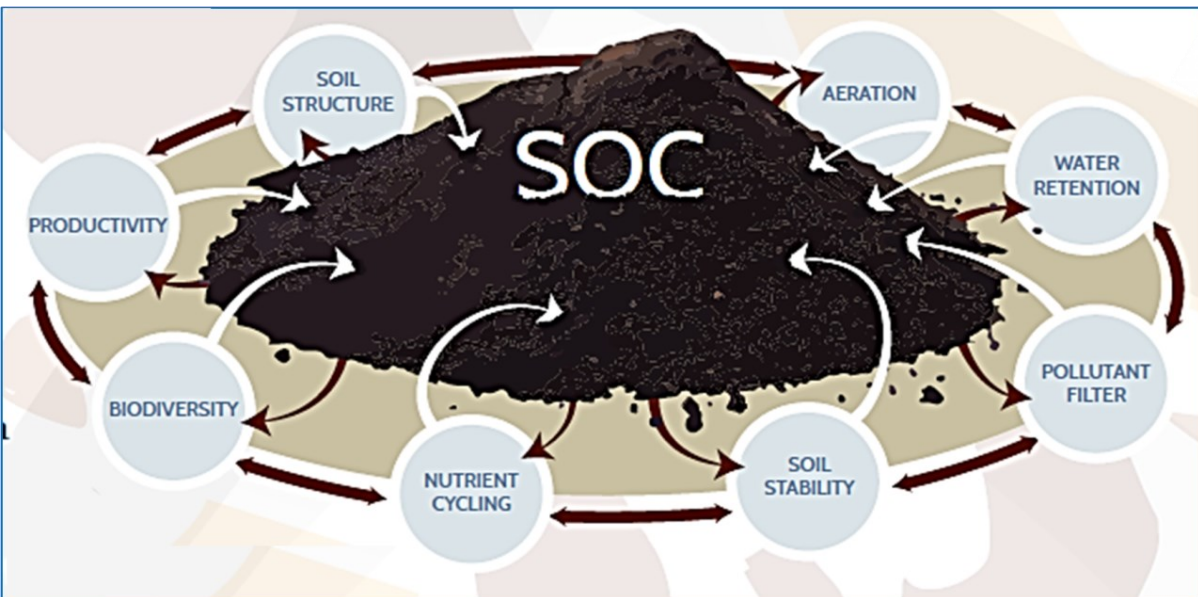
Soil Organic Carbon Modeling and Mapping of Turkey

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Why Soil Organic Carbon?





Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations

Where are SOC data needed?



SDG (2.4, 15.2, **15.3**)

Rio+20

LDN target setting
National Action
Programmes (NAPs)



United Nations Convention
to Combat Desertification

UNCCD

UNCBD/IPBES

National Biodiversity
Strategies and Action Plans
(NBSAPs), Aichi Targets



Convention on
Biological Diversity

**SOC
INDICATORS**



United Nations
Framework Convention on
Climate Change

UNFCCC/IPCC

IPCC AR, **GHG** (MRV)
(AFOLU), INDC,
REDD+



GLOBAL SOIL
PARTNERSHIP

GSP

UN World Soil Charter
Voluntary Guidelines for SSM
Status of the World's Soil Resources Report
Global Soil information System and SoilSTAT

UN-FAOSTAT

FAO STAT (**agro-env indicators** and
UN statistics), Agriculture
productivity

Goal

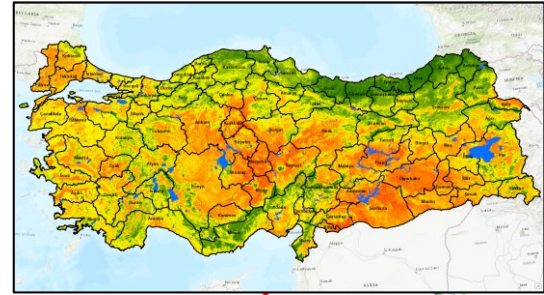
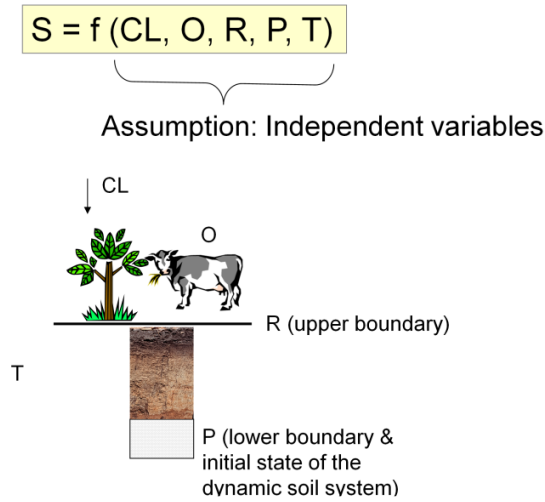
- ✓ National scale, dynamic, updateable, interpretable, parsimonious, data driven soil organic carbon model
- ✓ Uncertainty specified, most accurate soil carbon data(ton/ha-1)
- ✓ Reference SOC value for different landuses, soil orders, administration boundaries
- ✓ SOC monitoring system



Coordination Meetings



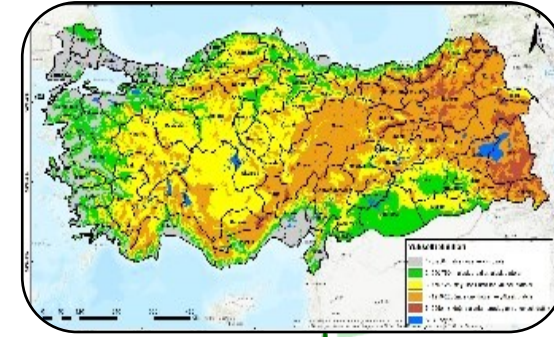
Modeling Framework



FAWM
NOAA
network

Climature data

$$S_p [x,y,\sim t] = f(S_m [x,y,\sim t], C [x,y,\sim t],$$

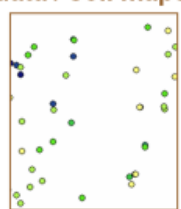


N: Geographic landscape position
A: Age
A [x,y], N

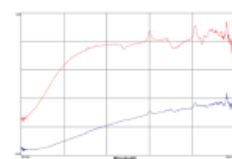
Relief
O [x,y,~t], R [x,y,~t], P [x,y,~t],
Organism, land use, vegetation
Parent material

Soil samples/data

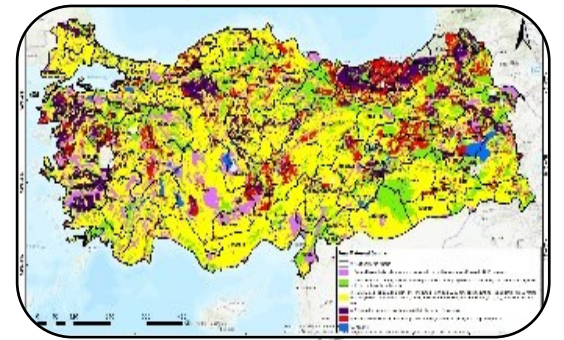
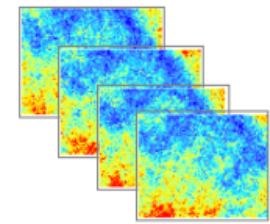
Site-specific data / soil maps



VNIR spectral data

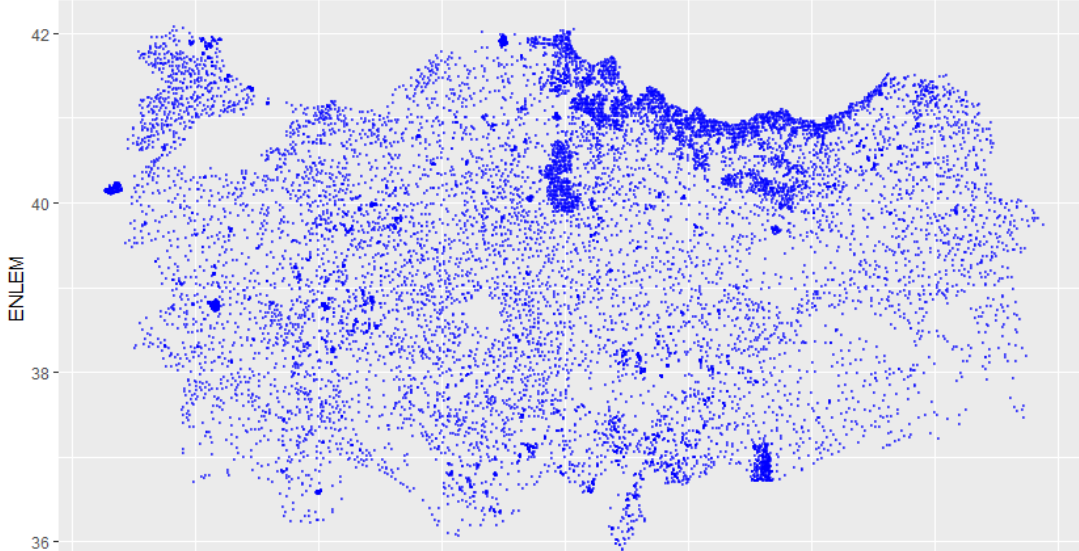


Remote sensing
e.g. ASTER, Landsat, IKONOS, MODIS

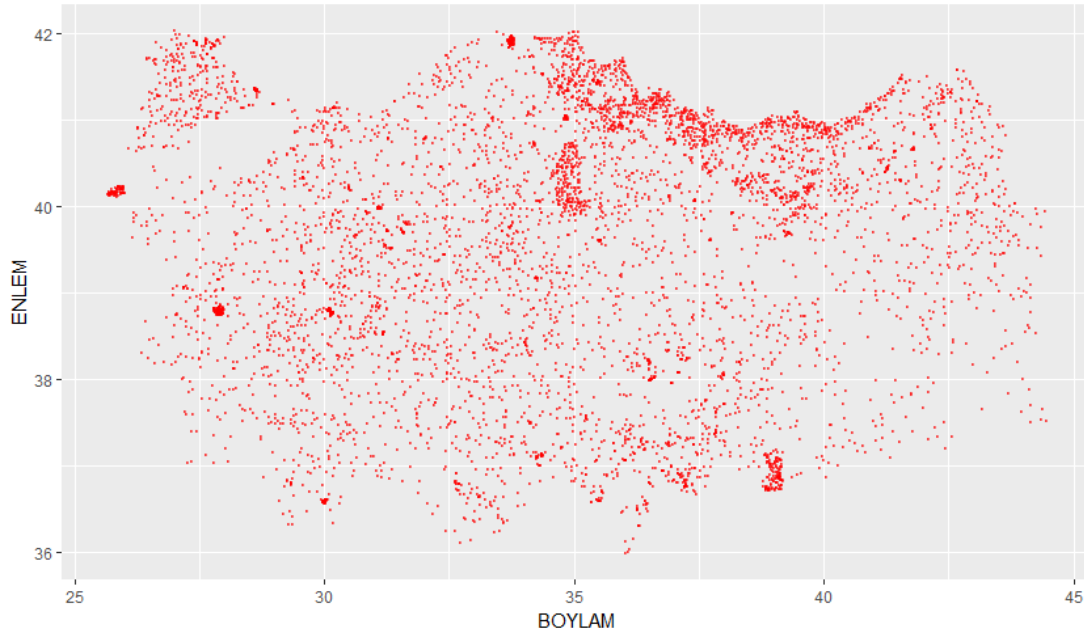


Standardized Soil Organic Carbon Data

TOK stocks at 30cm (t/ha) for calibration point



TOK stocks at 30cm (t/ha) for validation point



A total of 20187 soil samples collected

1. Quality checked
 - ✓ 1.Coordinates
 - ✓ 2. false data
 - ✓ 3. repeatitive data

2. Depth calculation
 - ✓ 0-30cm

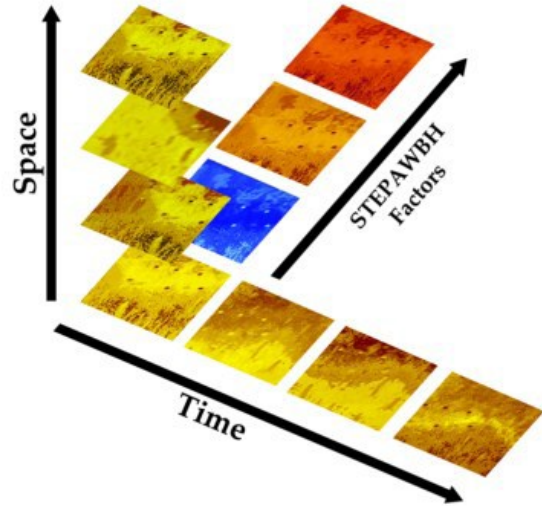
3. Missing value computation
 - ✓ Bulk density etc.

4. Conversion to stock
 - ✓ Stonnines
 - ✓ Ton/ ha

5. Outlier analysis



Environmental Factors



A total of 260 Environmental variables obtained and standardized to use as covariates

- CORINE LULC 2015

- MODIS derivatives

- SRTM

- WorldClim

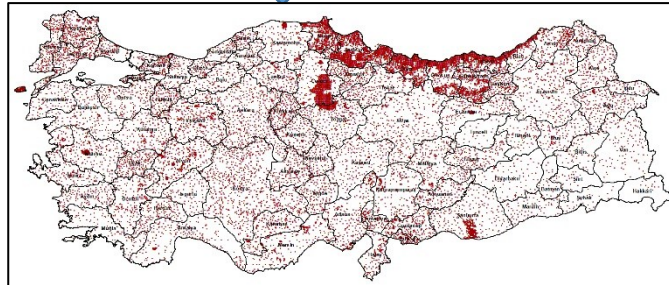
- SoilGrids



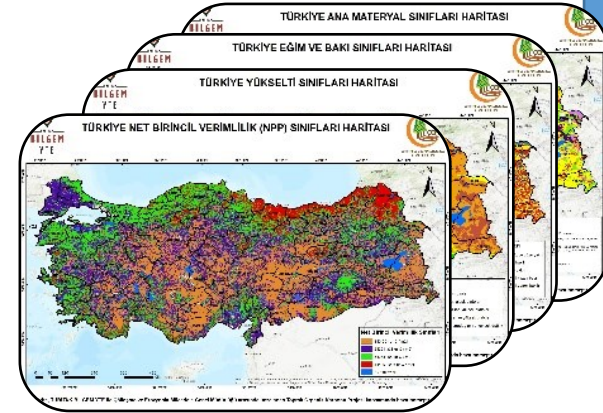
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Selected minimum optimal environmental variables

SOC data



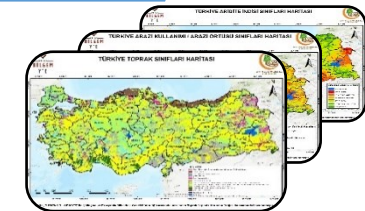
Covariates



Selected Minimum optimum covariates from Boruta.

Multicollinearity between minimal-optimal variables

Selected minimal optimal



Minimum Optimal Variables

No	Variable name	Unit	Source	Time
1	Slope	%	SRTM	2014
2	Valley Depth	Meter	SRTM	2014
3	Terrain Roughness Index	İndis	SRTM	2014
4	Maksimum Temperature	°C	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
5	Temperature Seasonality	İndex	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
6	İsotermality	$\text{kJ m}^{-2} \text{day}^{-1}$	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
7	Conrad Aridity İndex	İndex	MGM	Uzun Süreli
8	Precipitation	Milimeter	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
9	Precipitation of Wettest Quarter	Milimeter	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
10	Precipitation of Coldest Quarter	Milimetre	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
11	Potential Evapotranspiration	kg/m^2	MODIS	2010 – 2015
12	Net Primary Productivity	$\text{g C/m}^2/\text{year}$	MODIS	2010 - 2014
13	Net Primary Productivity (June)	$\text{g C/m}^2/\text{year}$	MODIS	2010 - 2014
14	Tree Canopy Cover	%	MODIS	2010 – 2015
15	Surface Reflection	İndex	MODIS	2010 - 2015
16	CORINE LULC	İndex	CORINE, Amenajman Planları, Mera haritaları	1973-2017

Machine Learning Algorithms – Random Forest



Bootstrap sampling

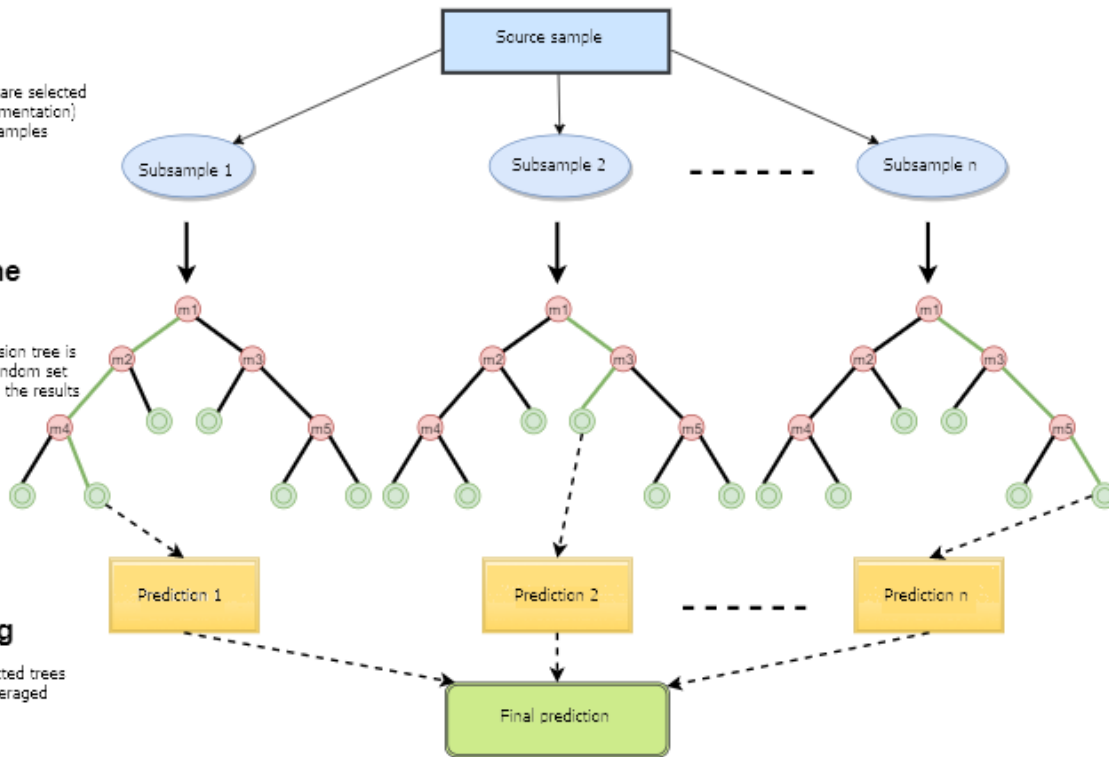
r (percentage) examples are selected (0.63 in classical implementation) in n random subsamples

Building the models

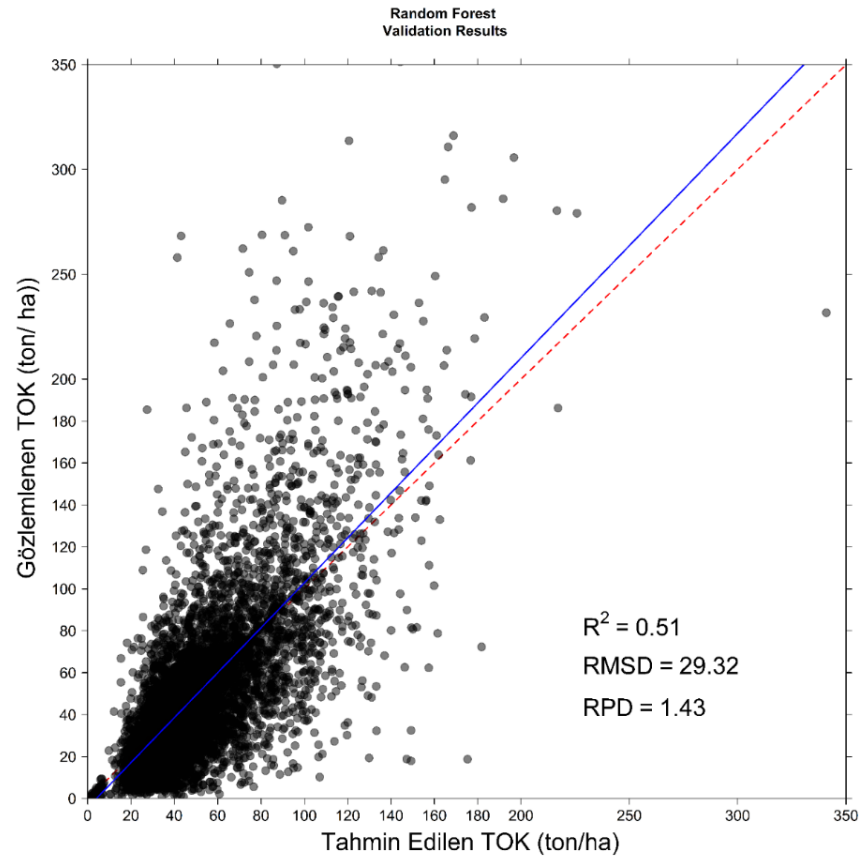
for each subsample, a decision tree is constructed based on a random set of m features (covariants), the results fall into leaves

Bootstrap aggregating

results from all constructed trees are gathered and averaged

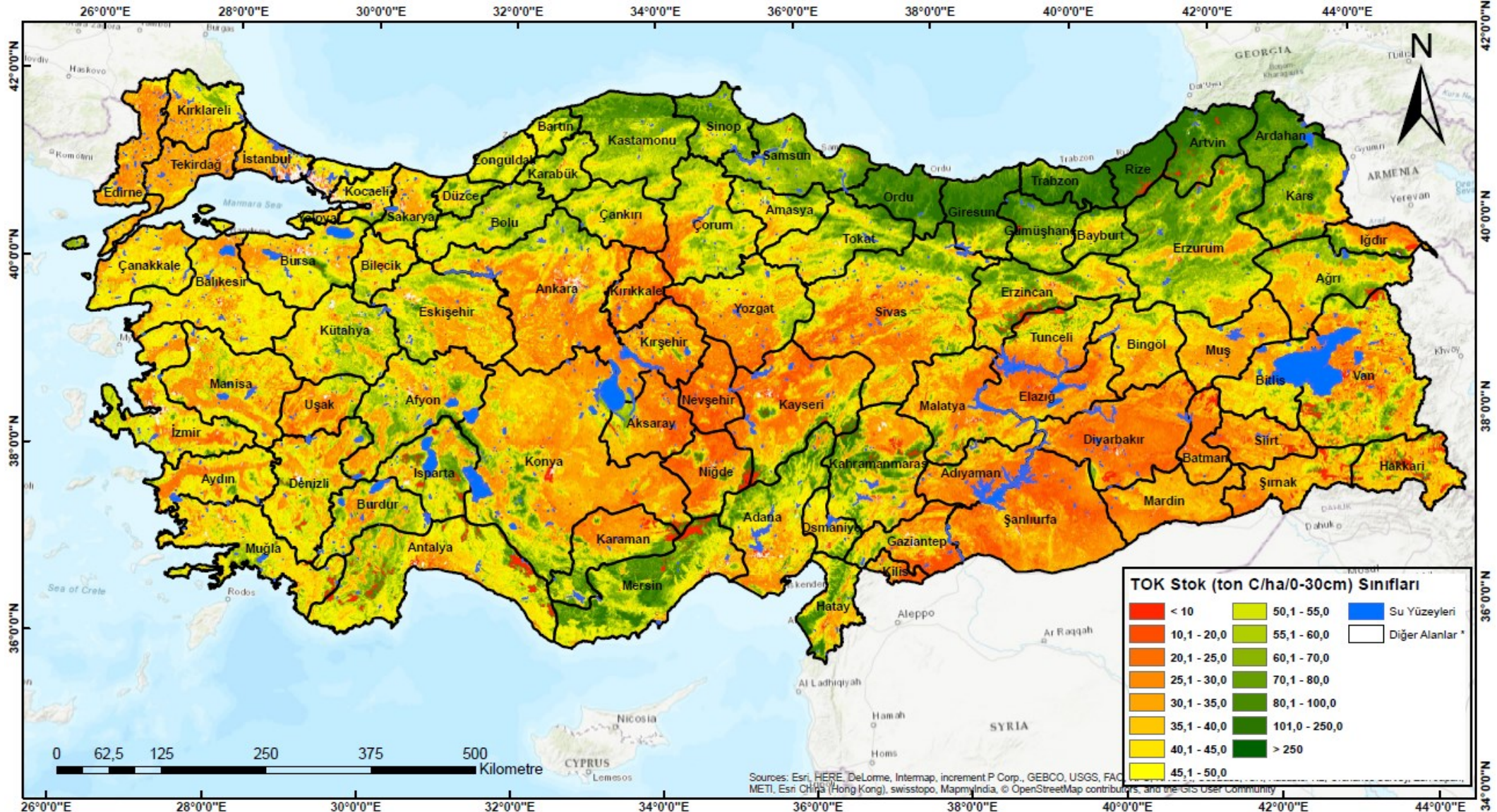


1. Build many deep decision trees on bootstrapped training datasets
2. A different subset of the training data are selected ($\sim 2/3$), with replacement, to train each tree
3. For each tree, only consider a **random subset of predictors** ($\approx \sqrt{p}$ is typical)
4. **Average the predictions** from all individual decision trees
5. Options to calculate error and variable significance information
6. Remaining training data (**OOB**) are used to estimate **error and variable importance**



Modeling Approach	• Machine Learning
Algorithm	• Random Forest
Programming Language	• R
Soil data size	• 20.187 (0-30 cm)
Training data size	• 14.131 (%70)
Validation data size	• 6.056 (%30)
No of Covariates	• 260
Minimum-Optimal Covariates	• 16
Cross Validation	• 15 Fold Cross-Validation
Nof of Pixel	• 12.506.280 (250m x 250m)
R2	• 0.42

SOC(0-30cm) stocks map of Turkey



Bu harita, TÜBİTAK BİLGEM YTE ile Çölleşme ve Erozyonla Mücadele Genel Müdürlüğü arasında imzalanan Toprak Organik Karbonu Projesi kapsamında hazırlanmıştır. Harita 250m mekansal çözünürlüğe sahip olup, Toplam TOK Stoku (0-30cm) = 3.516 milyar ton C dur.

* Diğer Alanlar: Sürekli Şehir Yapısı, Endüstriyel ve Ticari Birimler, Karayolları, Demiryolları, Limanlar, Havaalanları, Maden Çıkarım Sahaları, Boşaltım Sahaları, İnşaat Sahaları ile Yüksekliği 3501m ve üstünde olan alanlar

LULC-Level 1

No	LULC level 1	Area (ha)	Area (%)	Mean SOC (t C/ha)	Total SOC Stocks (t C)	Total SOC Stocks (%)
1	Forest	24.180.644	31,64	55,68	1.346.434.101	38,33
2	Pastures	23.568.338	30,84	49,77	1.172.981.521	33,39
3	Agricultural areas	26.316.375	34,43	35,96	946.317.555	26,94
4	Bare rocks	1.172.581	1,53	12,78	14.981.558	0,43
5	Artificial Surfaces	796.519	1,04	16,12	12.838.873	0,37
6	Wetland and water surfaces	393.100	0,51	49,71	19.542.037	0,56

Forest Canopy Cover

Canopy Cover Classes	Mean SOC Stocks (t C/ha)
% 0 - 10,0	
Deciduous forest	49,53
Coniferous forest	54,41
Mixed forest	56,64
%10,1 - 40,0	
Deciduous forest	56,98
Coniferous forest	54,28
Mixed forest	58,34
%40,1 - 70,0	
Deciduous forest	66,23
Coniferous forest	60,46
Mixed forest	73,58
%70,1 - 100,0	
Deciduous forest	77,89
Coniferous forest	70,81
Mixed forest	86,63

Watershed Level SOC stocks

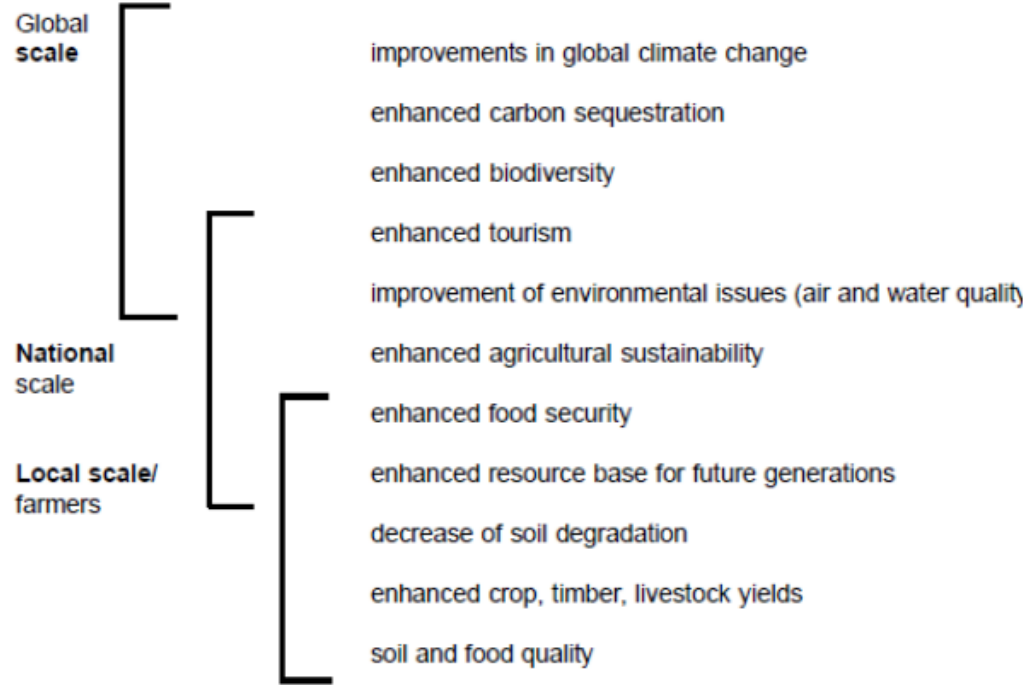
No	Watershed	Area(ha)	Area(%)	SOC Stocks (t C/ha)	Total SOC Stocks (t C)	Total SOC Stocks (%)
1	Doğu Karadeniz	2.286.346	2,96	100,68	230.189.314	6,56
2	Çoruh	2.044.062	2,64	71,81	146.784.079	4,18
3	Doğu Akdeniz	2.721.549	3,52	63,12	171.784.168	4,89
4	Aras	2.215.831	2,86	61,39	136.029.853	3,87
5	Batı Karadeniz	2.858.482	3,70	60,92	174.138.710	4,96
6	Yeşilirmak	3.933.104	5,09	56,79	223.360.978	6,36
7	Asi	770.599	1,00	53,5	41.227.042	1,17
8	Ceyhan	1.921.702	2,48	48,56	93.317.833	2,66
9	Antalya	1.988.581	2,57	47,92	95.292.821	2,71
10	Seyhan	756.758	0,98	47,45	35.908.170	1,02
11	Akarçay	596.150	0,77	47,36	28.233.660	0,8
12	Batı Akdeniz	865.172	1,12	46,29	40.048.807	1,14
13	Burdur	2.320.353	3,00	43,37	100.633.697	2,87
14	Susurluk	2.372.541	3,07	43,11	102.280.256	2,91
15	Sakarya	2.435.851	3,15	42,72	104.059.544	2,96
16	Küçük Menderes	2.561.997	3,31	42,38	108.577.454	3,09
17	Büyük Menderes	616.048	0,80	42,34	26.083.484	0,74
18	Kuzey Ege	2.143.509	2,77	41,43	88.805.578	2,53
19	Marmara	6.447.059	8,34	41,36	266.650.378	7,6
20	Gediz	1.688.969	2,18	39,88	67.356.086	1,92
21	Kızılırmak	1.364.545	1,76	39,43	53.804.008	1,53
22	Van Gölü	8.483.001	10,97	37,75	320.233.281	9,12
23	Konya Kapalı	1.331.810	1,72	36,37	48.437.923	1,38
24	Fırat ve Dicle	17.487.178	22,61	36,19	632.860.967	18,03
25	Meriç Ergene	5.133.745	6,64	34,03	174.701.352	4,98

Cities level SOC Stocks

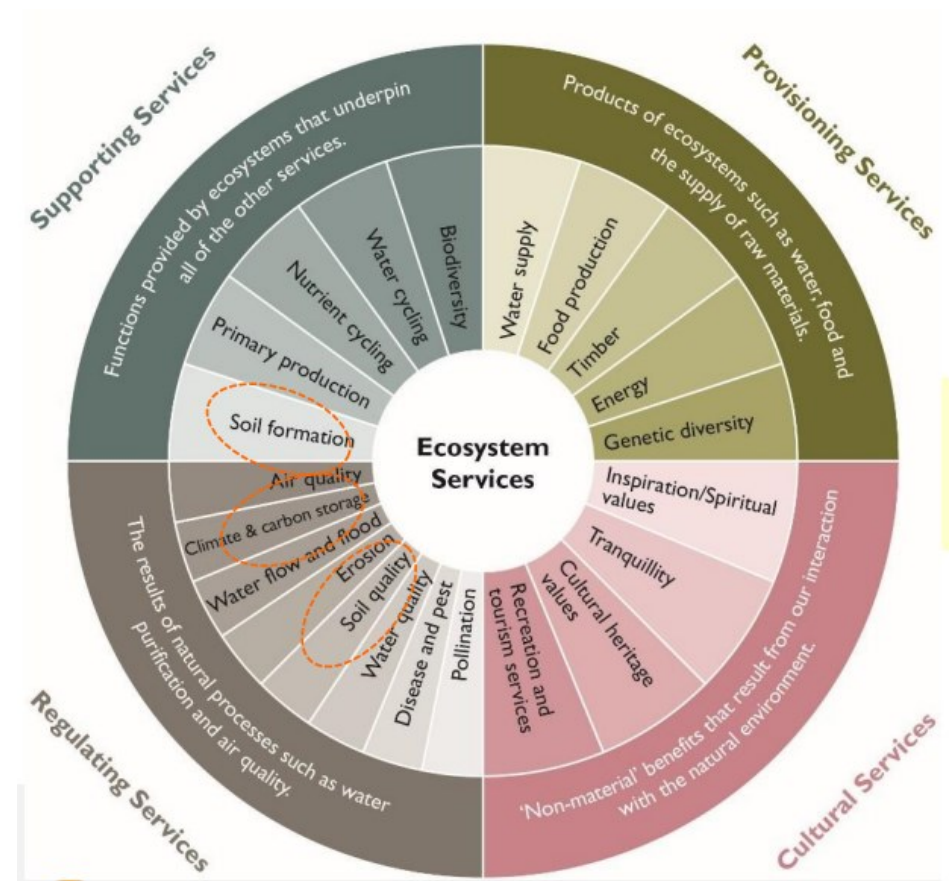
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80	Diyarbakır	26,10	39.651.079
81	Nevşehir	24,39	13.541.283

Questions?

Thank you for your attention



Maintaining SOC storage at an equilibrium or increasing SOC content towards the optimal level for the local environment can contribute to achieving the SDGs; also UNFCCC, UNCCD, and Paris Agreement



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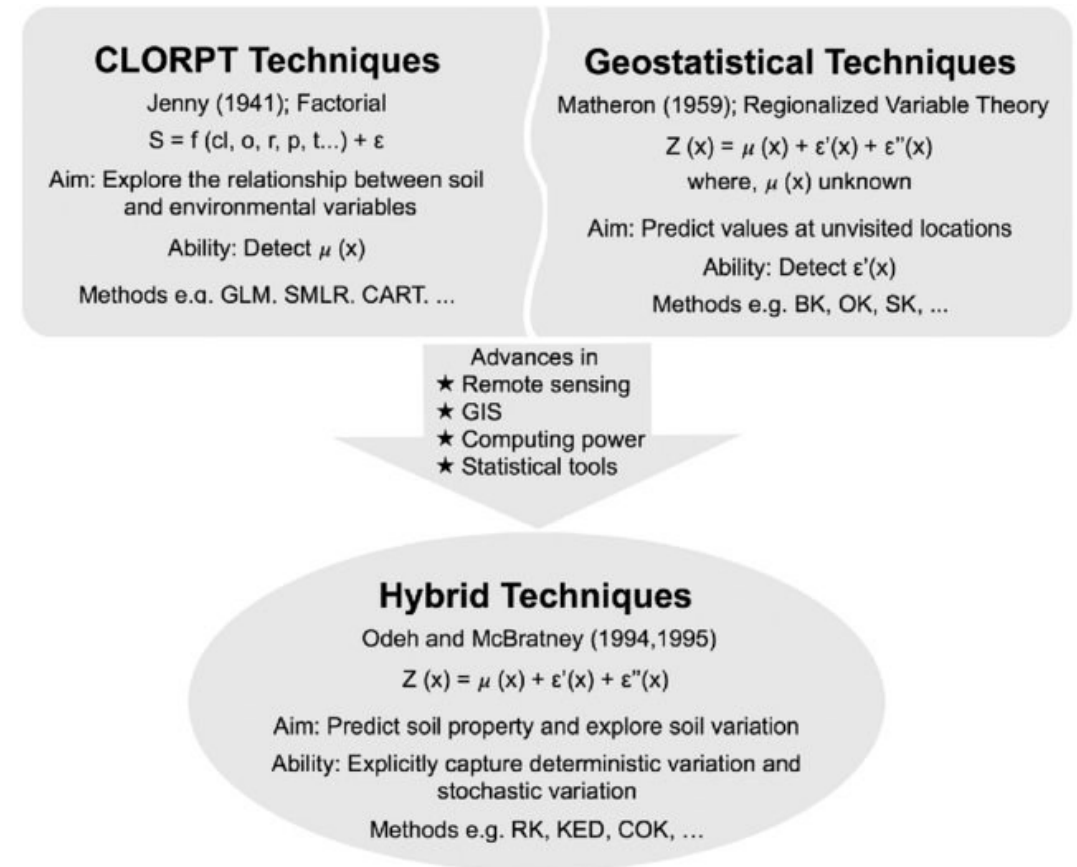
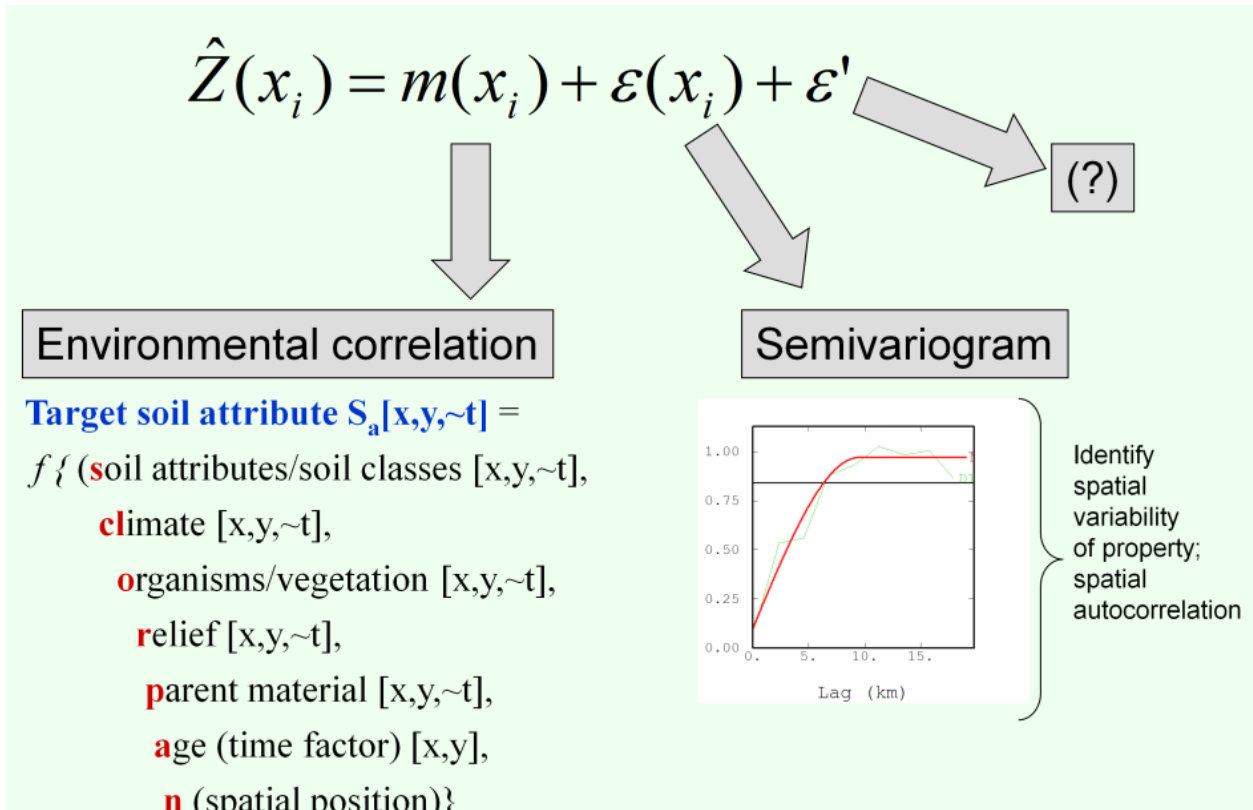
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Sources of Georeferenced Soil Samples

Source	No of Soil Samples	Source	No of Soil Samples
TAGEM Mera	3437	ÇEM	2925
TAGEM FAO	7468	Trakya	409
CORUM Havza I	312	Denizli	73
CORUM Havza II	282	Ender MAKİNECİ	164
Alper OZTURNA	13	Sinanpaşa	150
İstanbul Kumul	143	Muş	7
Elmalı	103	OGM ICP Forest I	720
Aydın ÇÖMEZ	63	OGM ICP Forest II	52
Yeniçağa	19	OGM Akdeniz	89
GAP-1	28	Gediz	319
Gökçeada	247	İnebolu	230
TAGEM Karadeniz	3400	GAP-2	408
TOPLAM			21061

Soil Modeling and Mapping Methodology



Which variable are most useful?

- How do we decide which variables are most useful in predicting the response?
 - We can compute something called relative influence plots.
 - These plots give **a score for each variable**.
 - These scores represents the **decrease in MSE when splitting on a particular variable**
 - A number close to zero indicates the variable is not important and could be dropped.
 - **The larger the score the more influence the variable has.**

Why are we considering a random sample of m predictors instead of all p predictors for splitting?

- Suppose that we have a very strong predictor in the data set along with a number of other moderately strong predictors, then in the collection of bagged trees, **most or all of them will use the very strong predictor for the first split!**
- All **bagged trees will look similar**. Hence all the predictions from the bagged trees will be highly correlated
- Averaging many highly correlated quantities does not lead to a large variance reduction, and thus random forests **“de-correlates” the bagged trees** leading to more **reduction in variance**

Nereden	Nereye	Ne Kadar (ha)	Değişim (t C)	Değişim (%)
Çıplak Alan	Orman	1 milyon	42.9 milyon	1.22
Mera	Tarım	1 milyon	-13,8 milyon	-0,39

AKAÖ Değişiklik Takip ×

Türkiye TOK Biyocoğrafya Havza

AKAÖ Sınıf Seviyesi

Seviye 1

Seviye 3

Değişim Tipi

Alan (ha)

Oran (%)

AKAÖ Sınıfları S1 (ha)

Tarım	%34,43	26.316.375,00
Orman	%31,64	24.180.643,75
Mera	%30,84	23.568.337,50
Çıplak Alanlar	%1,53	1.172.581,25
Yapay Alanlar	%1,04	796.518,75
Sulak Alanlar ve Su Yüzeyleri	%0,51	393.100,00
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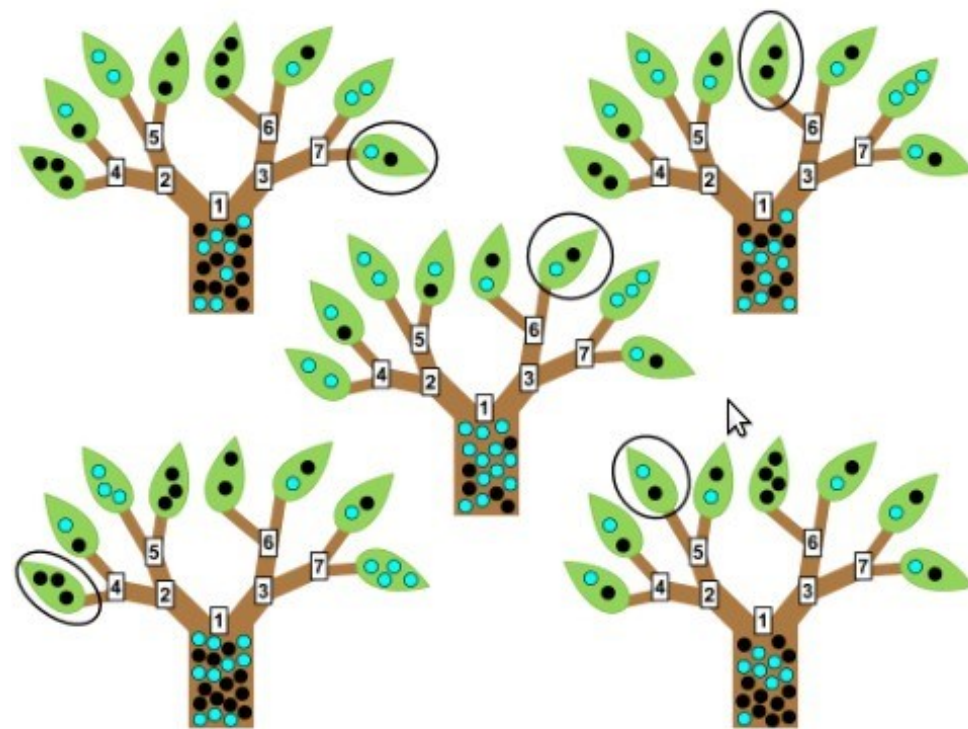
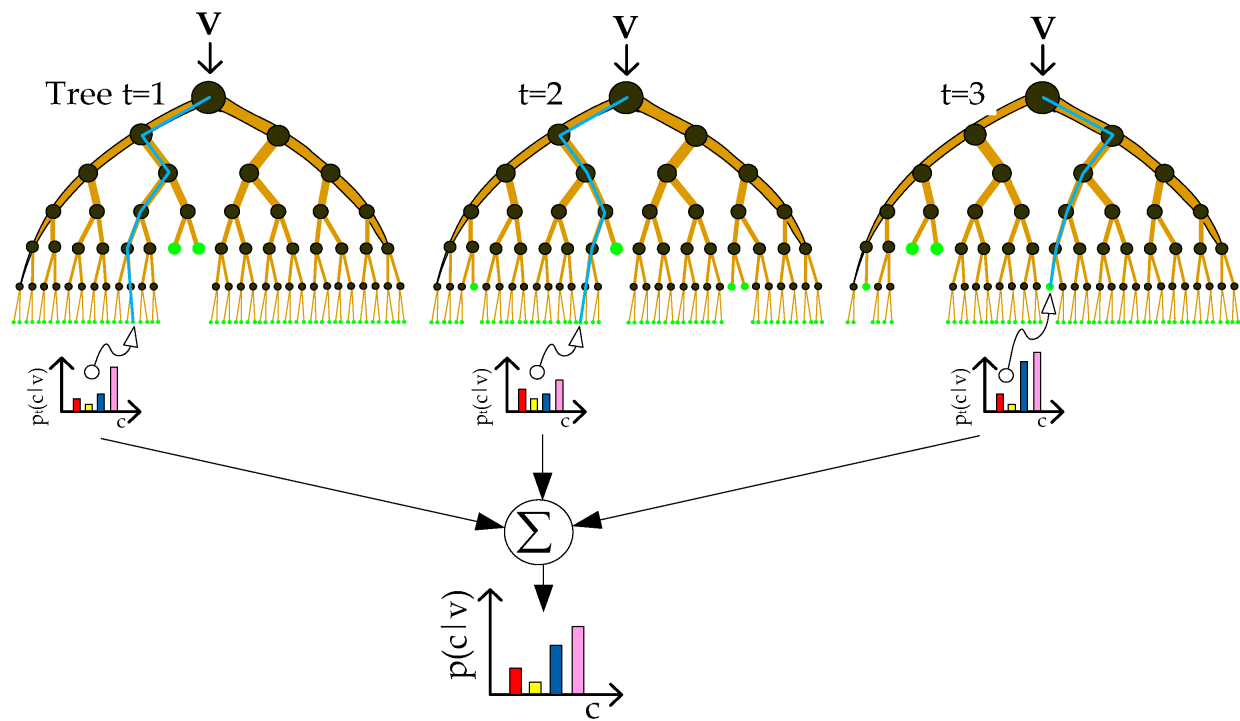
Değişim

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Hesapla

N o	Variable name	Unit	Source	Date
1	Slope	Metre	SRTM	2014
2	Vadi Derinliđi	Metre	SRTM	2014
3	Arazi Pürüzlülük İndeksi	İndis	SRTM	2014
4	Maksimum Sıcaklık	°C	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
5	Sıcaklık Mevsimselliđi	İndis	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
6	Güneş Işınımı	$\text{kJ m}^{-2} \text{gün}^{-1}$	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
7	Conrad Karasallık İndisi	İndis	MGM	Uzun Süreli
8	Precipitation	Milimetre	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
9	En Nemli Çeyređin Yađış Miktarı	Milimetre	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
10	En Sođuk Çeyređin Yađış Miktarı	Milimetre	Global Climate Data	1970-2000
11	Potansiyel Evapotranspirasyon	kg/m^2	MODIS	2010 – 2015
12	Net Birincil Verimlilik	$\text{g C/m}^2/\text{yıl}$	MODIS	2010 - 2014
13	Net Birincil Verimlilik (Temmuz)	$\text{g C/m}^2/\text{yıl}$	MODIS	2010 - 2014
14	Ađaç Kapalılık Yüzdesi	%	MODIS	2010 – 2015
15	Yüzey Yansıması	İndice	MODIS	2010 - 2015
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SOC Analytical Dashboard

Karbon İli

İl Seçiniz

- Adana
- Adıyaman
- Afyon
- Ağrı
- Aksaray
- Amasya
- Ankara
- Antalya
- Ardahan
- Artvin
- Aydın
- Balıkesir
- Bartın
- Batman
- Bayburt
- Bilecik
- Bingöl
- Bitlis
- Bolu
- Burdur
- Bursa
- Çanakkale
- Çankırı
- Çorum
- Denizli
- Diyarbakır
- Düzce

Karbon (t/ha)

47,66

Toplam Stok

3,51G

