

→ MAPPING URBAN AREAS FROM SPACE CONFERENCE

Mapping urban surface characteristics for urban energy flux modelling

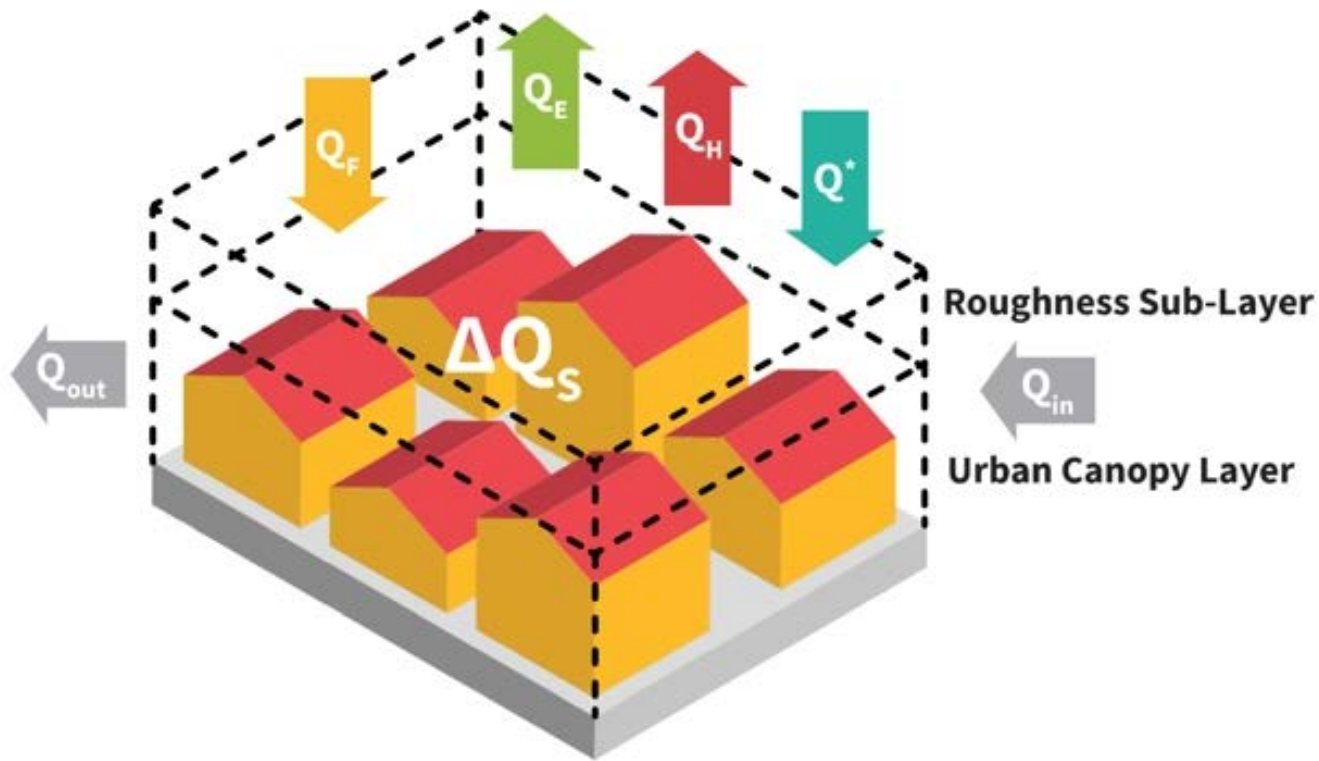
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Introduction

urban energy flux modelling



- Surface properties influence the urban energy flux
 - mapping surface properties
- Changing surface properties result in changing energy flux
 - updating of surface properties maps
- Remote sensing data as source for surface properties

Urban morphology (3D structure)

- High spatial resolution to represent urban variation
- Main data sources: LiDAR or stereo imagery
- Main products
 - Digital surface model
 - Mean building height
 - Sky view factor

Surface characteristics

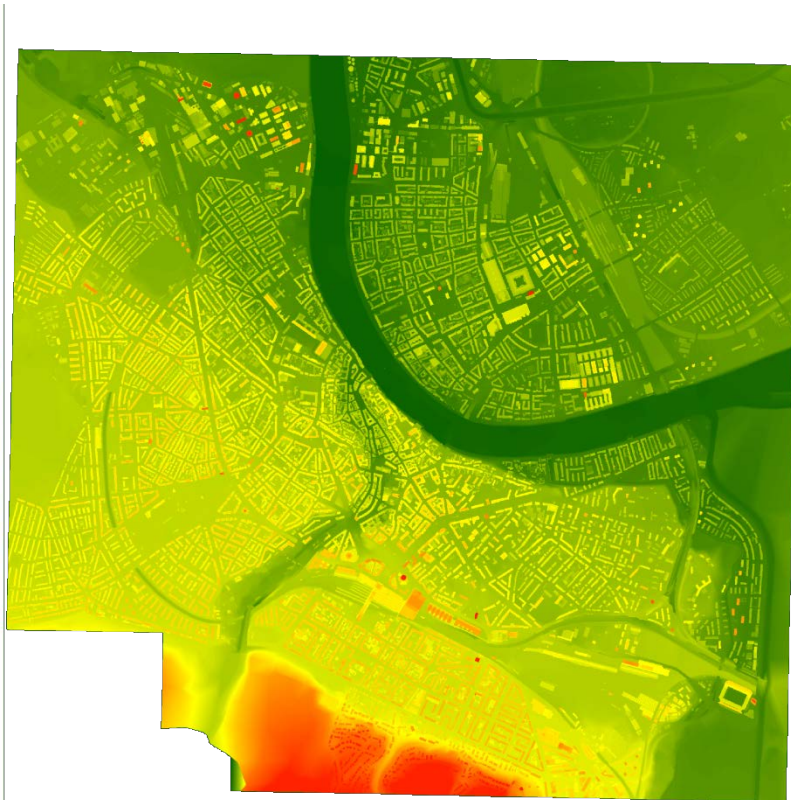
- Spatial resolution depending on parameter and data source
- High temporal resolution important for vegetation related parameters
- Main data sources: optical and thermal satellite data
- Main products:
 - Land cover
 - Impervious surface
 - Phenology parameters (e.g. NDVI)
 - Surface temperature

- Methodology transferable to Sentinel satellites
- 100 m grid for URBANFLUXES subsequent modelling
- UTM projection
- TIF data format

Urban morphology

DSM

source: LiDAR



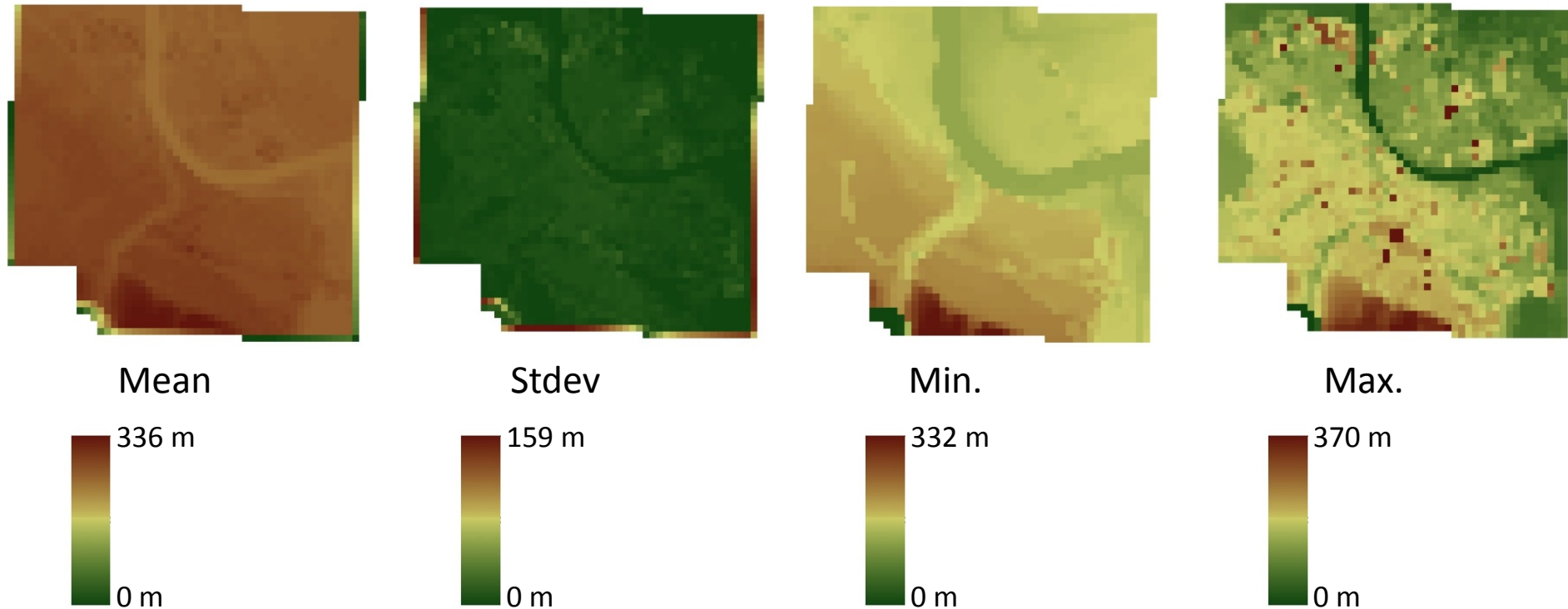
DEM (Surface incl. buildings)



DSM (only buildings)

Mean building height

Source: LiDAR, 100 m mean, standard deviation, minimum and maximum



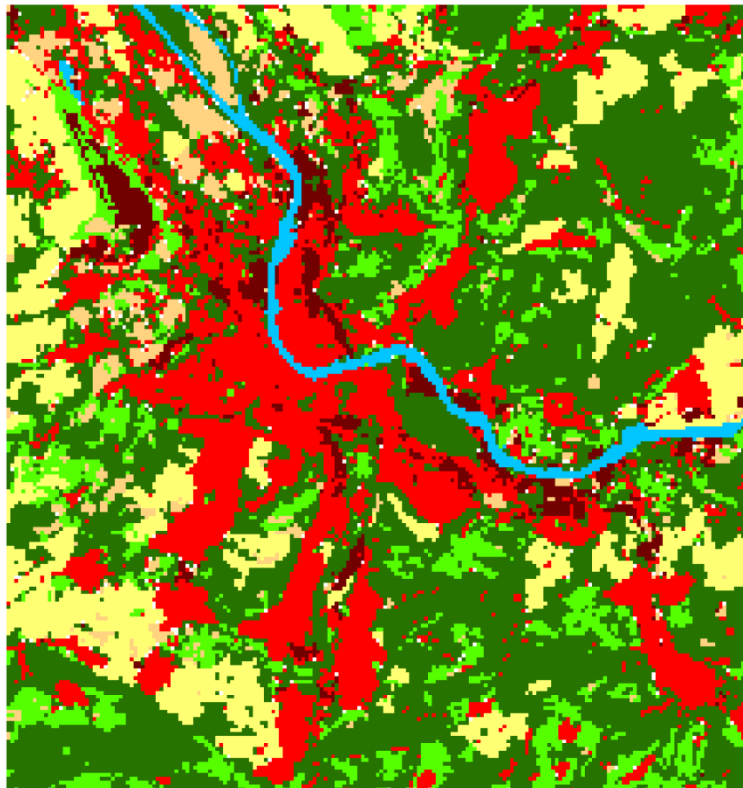
Sky View Factor

Source: LiDAR, UMEP method by Lindberg et al. (2010)



Land Cover

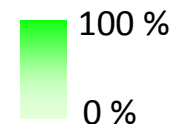
Source: Landsat 8, neural network method by Del Frate et al. (2007)



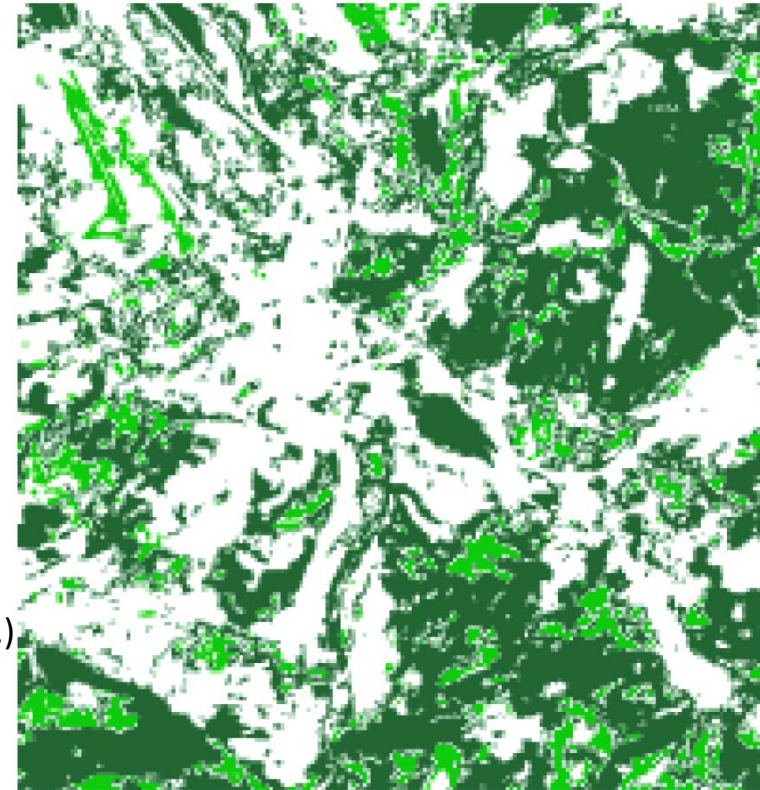
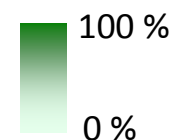
Dominant land cover

- Urban
- Industrial
- Bare Soil
- Agriculture
- Low vegetation
- Forest (high veg.)
- Water

Low vegetation



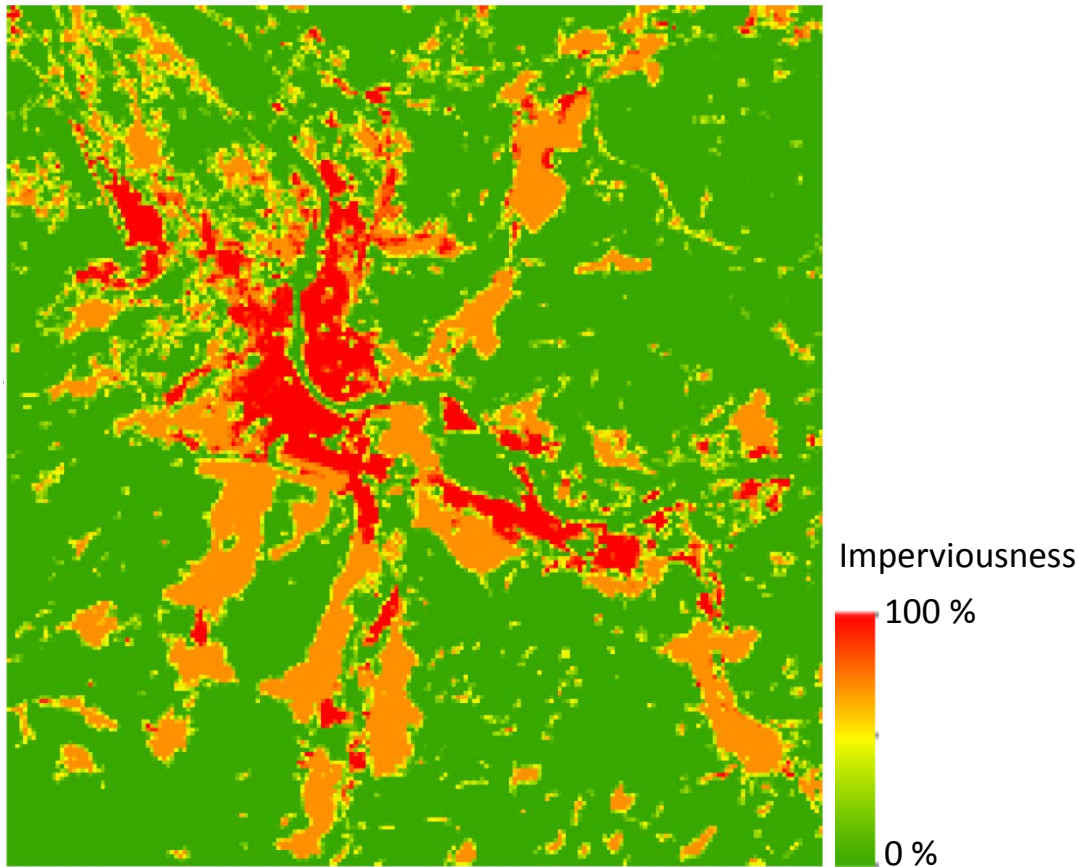
Forest (high veg.)



Fractional land cover of vegetation

Imperviousness

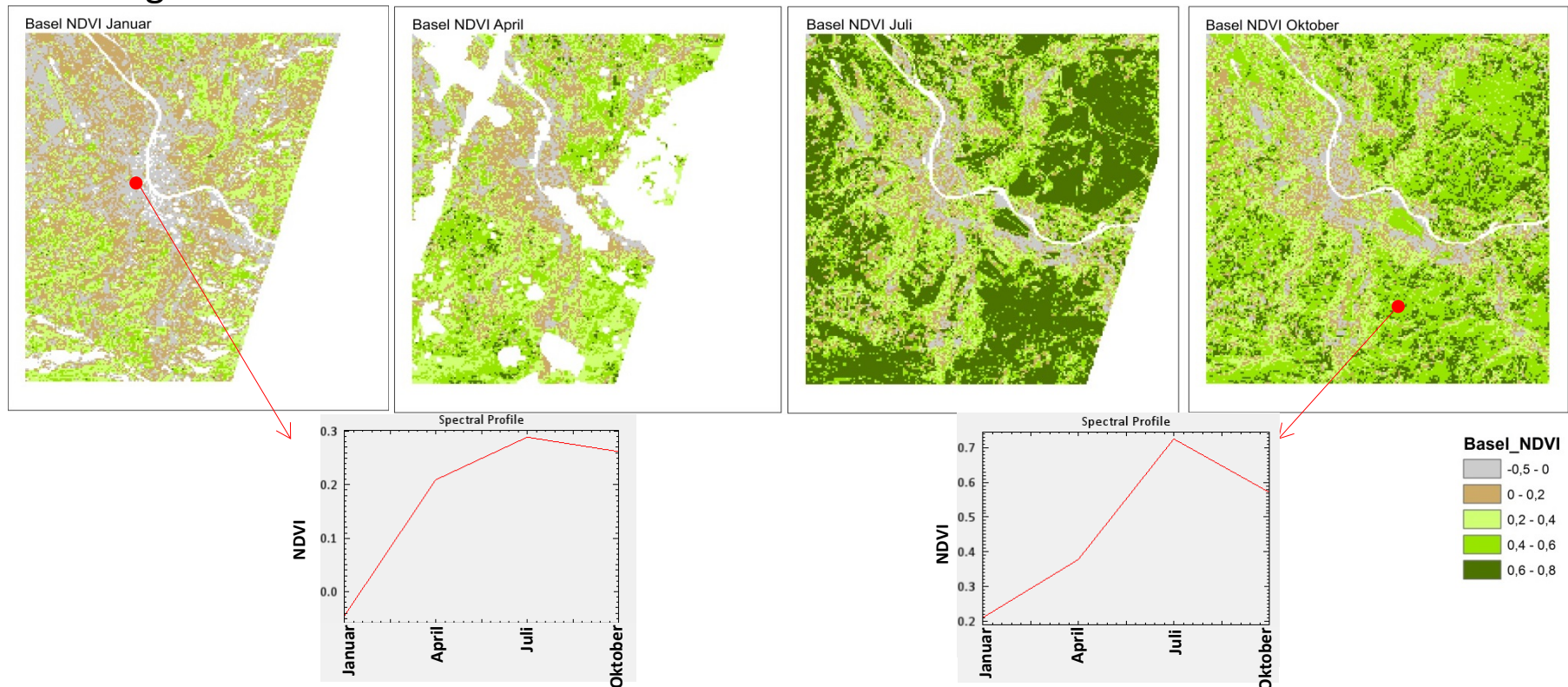
Source: land cover (Landsat 8). Method: abundance of urban and industrial



Phenology: NDVI

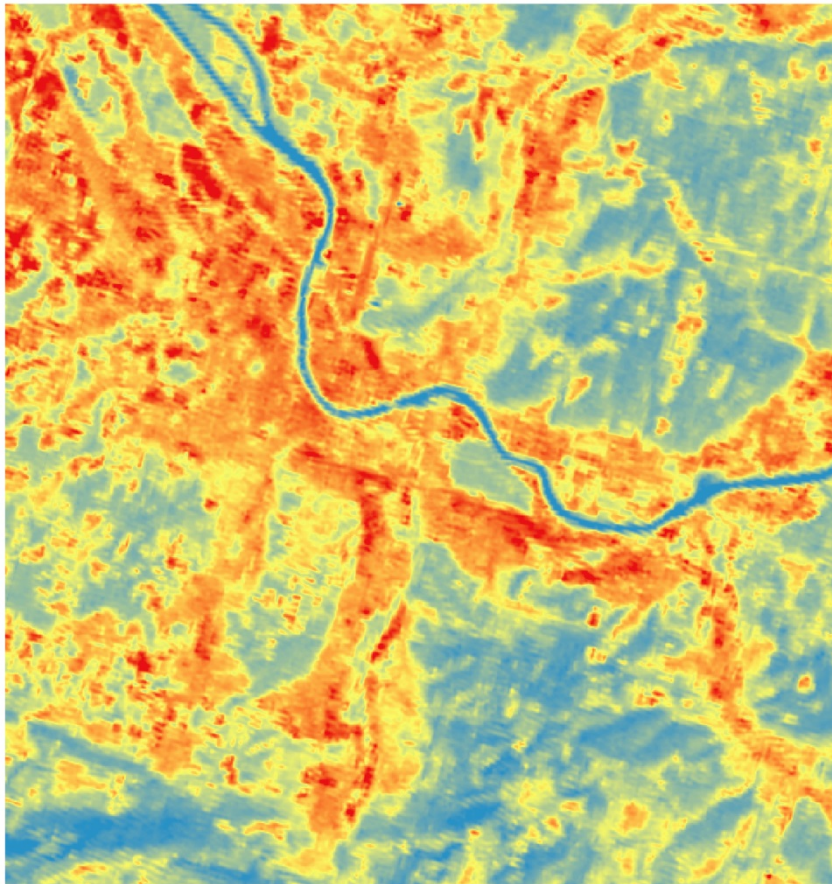
Source: landsat 8 time series 2014

Method: convert to reflectance, cloud mask calculation(fMask), NDVI calculation, cloud masking

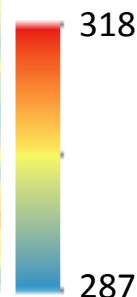


Surface temperature

Source: Landsat 8, Method: ATCOR



Surface temperature [K]



Summary & conclusions



- Input parameters for urban energy flux modelling could be derived from remote sensing (Talk N. Chrysoulakis)
- Automated methods have been applied that will be able to handle future Sentinel data
- Resulting maps will be used for the mapping of local climate zones (Talk Z. Mitraka)

- Improvement of the derived products
 - Improved resolution of surface characteristics (SPOT 5, Sentinel 2)
 - Feedback from energy flux modellers in the URBANFLUXES project
- Development of updating approaches
 - Land cover (using Sentinel 2)
 - DSM (using Sentinel 1)

Thank you for your attention!