



ECOL 481:

Digital Image Processing for Environmental Applications **eLearning Module** *Course Teacher** Prof. S Jayakumar*

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1. General Information

Course Code : ECOL - 481

Course Title : Digital Image Processing for Environmental

Applications

Number of Credits : 3.0 ECTS

Course duration : 18 Weeks

Level : Postgraduate

Course Teacher : Prof. S. Jayakumar

Prerequisite : Basic understanding on Mathematics (school higher

level), English language skill, computer operation

(Windows/Mac).







2. Course description

course provides students an in-depth theoretical knowledge and hands-on training in satellite data handling, processing, mapping and analysis.





3. Course goals

The main aim of the course is to provide students the ability handle comfortably in different to satellite data environmental applications. To make students to think and select appropriate satellite data from the freely available sources for their environmental applications. To prepare student to preprocess the satellite data, understand the errors in satellite data and get the data ready for analysis. To give training to students to handle Pan chromatic, Multispectral and Hyperspectral data. To teach students to handle the DEM from SRTM, SPOT, and other sources and to prepare digital elevation model, slope and aspect. To make understand the use of band ratioing and its applications.





4. Course outcome

By the end of the course, successful students will:

- 1. Know the sources from the where satellite data can be downloaded
- 2. be familiar with different types satellites, payload, bands, cell size and so on
- 3. be able to retrieve meta data information from each satellite data
- 4. know to handle different types of satellite data
- 5. be able to do preprocessing and make the data ready for analysis
- 6. know the function of geometric correction and how to perform it
- 7. be familiar with different types of projection, mosaicking and subsetting
- 8. be able to perform band ratioing and apply the same for environmental applications.









5. Course structure

5.a. Course Content

Week - 1	Introduction to Satellite data		
Trock I	Satellite data download from USGS website		
Week - 2	Data Import/Export, Layer stacking and FCC		
VVECK - Z	formation		
	Metadata information		
Week - 3	Pan chromatic data, multispectral data		
	Hyperspectral data, elevation data		
Week - 4	Raster layer information		
Week - 5	Layer statistics		
Week - 6	Data preparation, Geometric correction		
	Projecting and reprojection		
Week – 7	Mosaicing		
Week – 8	Subsetting/Masking		
Week – 9	Geometric correction of scanned maps		
Week – 10	Spectral reflectance pattern of vegetation		
Week – 11	Collection of phenological data		
	Soil spectral reflectance		
Week – 12	Water spectral reflectance, Urban spectral		
	reflectance		
Week – 13	Digital elevation model, spatial analysis of DEM		
Week – 14	Band ratioing – RVI, DVI, NDVI		
Week – 15	SAVI, SWI		







5. Course structure

5.b. Mode of delivery



In-Class Lectures



On-line Lectures



Microsoft One Drive



Microsoft Teams

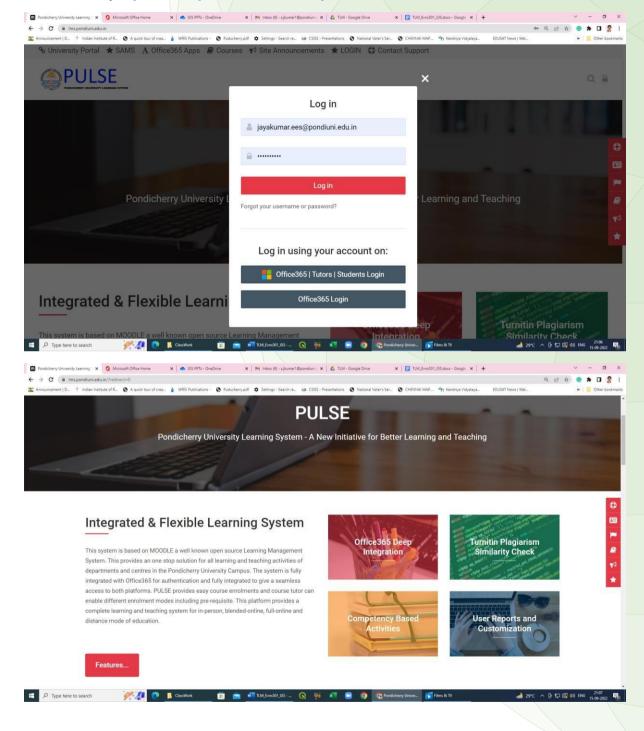
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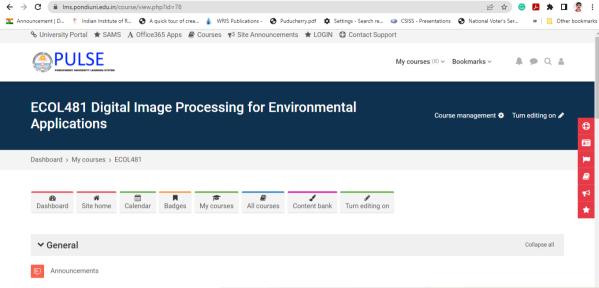


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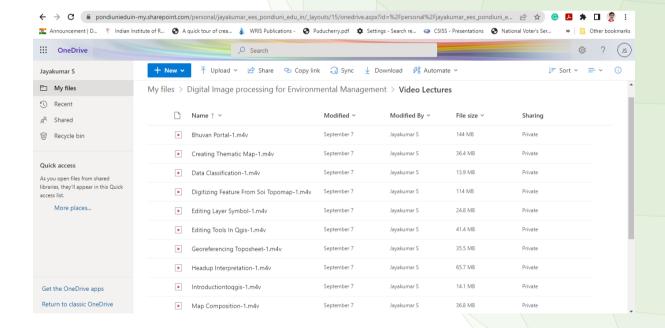




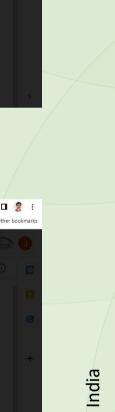




Video Lectures linked to PULSE

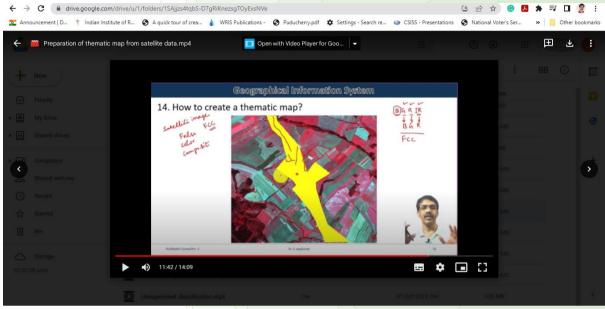




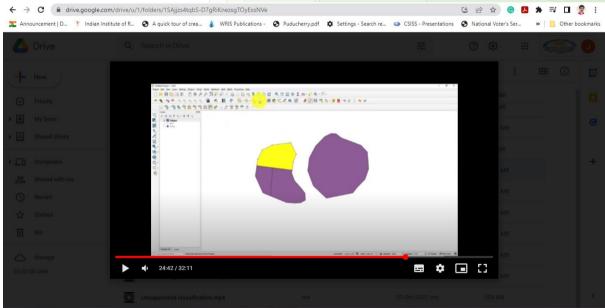




Glimpse of Video Lectures: Preparation of thematic map



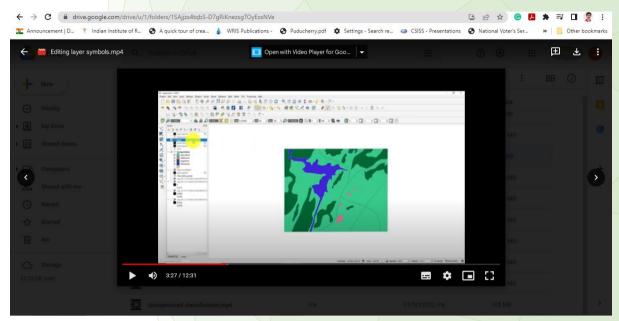
Editing layers in QGIS



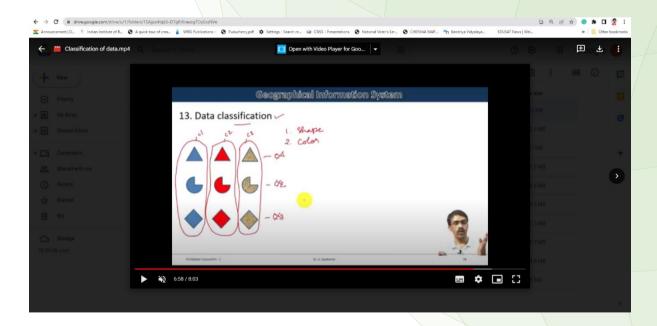




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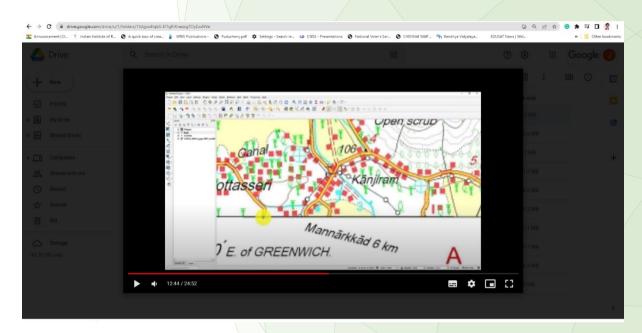
Satellite data classification



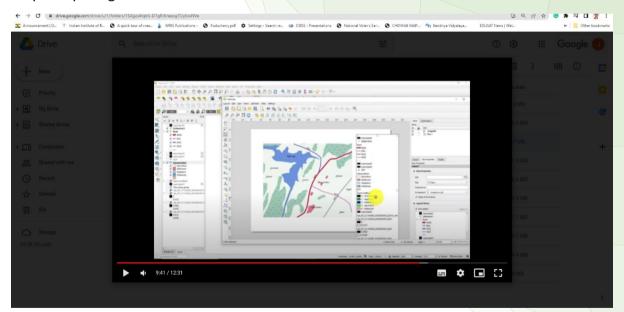




Digitizing features from topo map



Map composing in QGIS



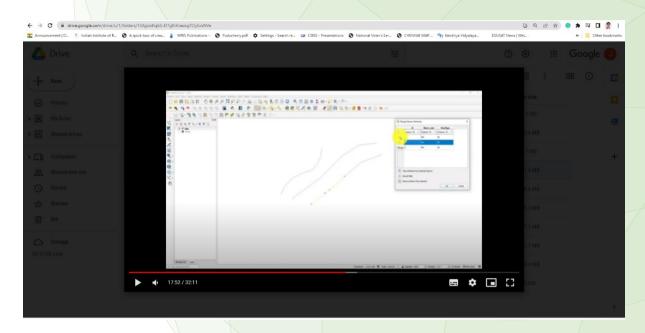
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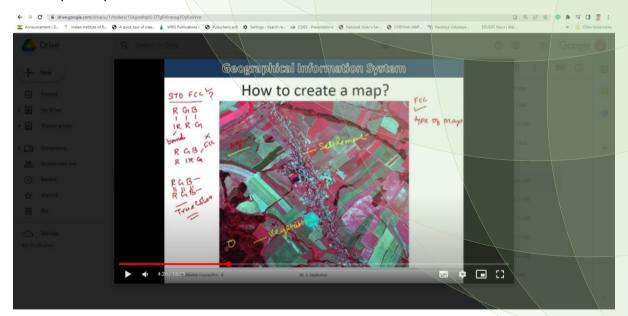




Editing tools in QGIS



Head-up interpretation



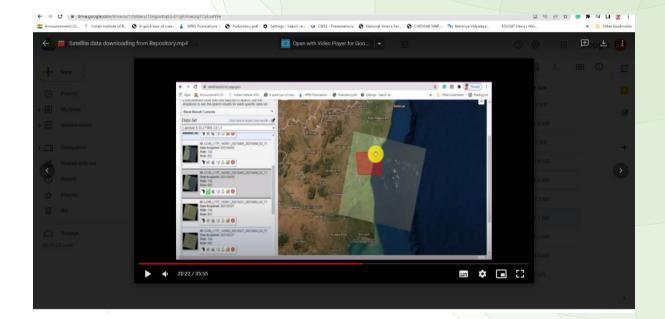




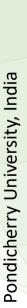


Satellite data downloading from repository



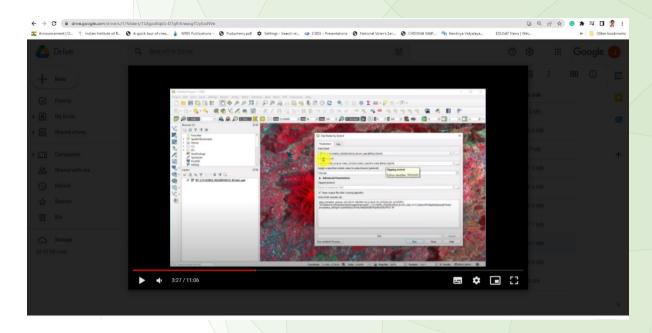


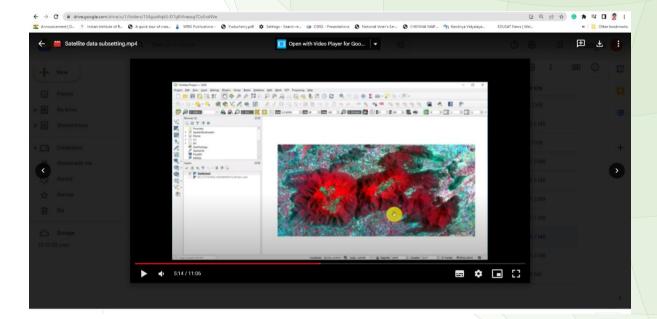






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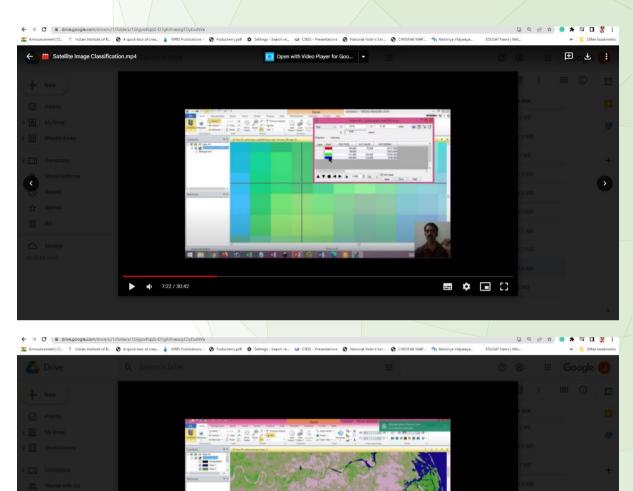








Satellite Image classification

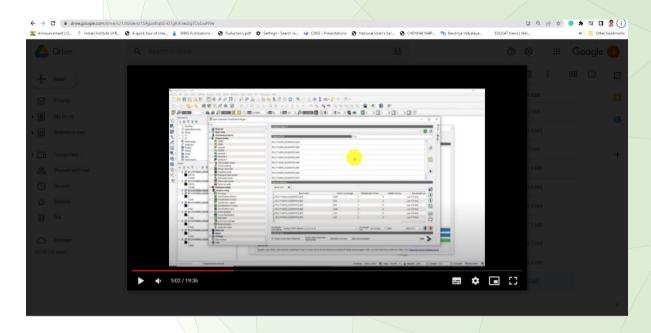


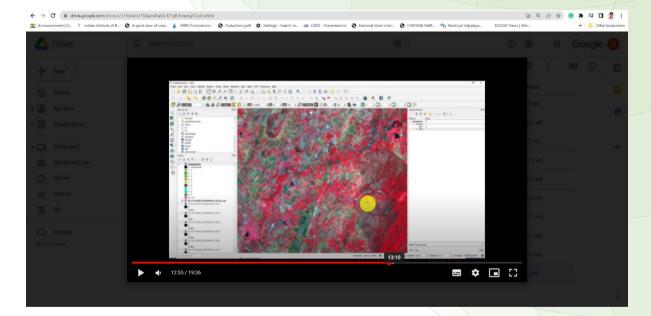


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Unsupervised classification









5. Course structure

5.c. In-class discussion

Understanding the satellites architecture, sensor characteristics, bands, pixel size, satellites from different countries, Optical, thermal and microwave satellites

5.d. In-class assignments & field assignment

Understanding False color composites, various band combinations, field check, ground truth data collection, preparation of interpretation elements for different categories

5.e. Reading and discussion of assigned papers for seminars

Understanding the application of different types of satellite data in various environmental applications, analysis used, results interpretation, data integration and environmental planning

5.f. Group project presentation

Ability to make presentation, effective communication, critical interpretation of data, response to audience





6. Course Assessment

Type of assessment	Percentage of Marks
In-class discussion	5
Assignment	5
Seminars	10
Group projects	10
Internal assessment test	10
(MCQ types)	
Final assessment	60
Total	100







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