
Subject: Local Spatial Statistics Function (Getis-Ord Gi* and zGi*)

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; NAME:
; GETIS
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; PURPOSE:
; compute the Getis-Ord local measure of spatial
; autocorrelation Gi* statistic and its standardized version
; zGi* from x-y point data
;
; CATEGORY:
; spatial statistics
;
; CALLING SEQUENCE:
; result = GETIS(X, Y, VALUES, RADIUS)
;
; INPUTS:
; X --> data vector or one-column array containing the x
; coordinates (e.g. UTM easting values)
;
; Y --> data vector or one-column array containing the y
; coordinates (e.g. UTM norting values)
;
; VALUES --> data vector or one-column array containing the
; attribute value for each x-y data point of which to examine
; autocorrelation
;
; NOTE: X, Y, and VALUES must have the same number of elements
;
; RADIUS --> integer or floating point value of the search
; radius at which to look for local spatial autocorrelation
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;
; NOTES:
; X, Y, and VALUES must have the same number of elements
;
; RETURNS:
; 6 column floating point array containing:
; [X, Y, VALUE, Number of Neighbours, Gi*, zGi*]
;
; REFERENCES:
; Wulder M. & Boots B. (1998) Local spatial autocorrelation
; characteristics of remotely sensed imagery assessed with the
; Getis statistic. International Journal of Remote Sensing 19:
; 2223-2231.
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FUNCTION getis, x, y, values, radius

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IF (N_ELEMENTS(x) NE N_ELEMENTS(y) OR $  
    N_ELEMENTS(x) NE N_ELEMENTS(values)) THEN $  
    PRINT, 'Error - x, y, and value arrays must have the same dimensions'
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; initialize output array

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num = FLOAT(N_ELEMENTS(values))  
output = FLTARR(6,num)  
output[0:2,*] = [x, y, values] ; copy original data into output array  
values = REFORM(output[2,*]) ; re-set values to ensure they are FLOAT
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; calculate mean and variance
;(for use in standardized Gi* calculations)

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mean = MEAN(values)  
;s2 = VARIANCE(values)  
s2 = TOTAL((values-mean)^2)/num
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; begin computing the statistic for each element

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missing = 0  
FOR i=0, num-1 DO BEGIN
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in = WHERE ( (x-x[i])^2 + (y-y[i])^2 LE radius^2, neighbours)  
; find points inside search radius
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w = FLTARR(num)  
w[in] = 1 ; if within radius, assign weight of one (default is 0)
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output[3,i] = neighbours ; number of neighbours  
output[4,i] = TOTAL(w*values)/TOTAL(values) ; gi* statistic
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; standardized Gi* statistic calculations

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Wi = TOTAL(w)
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numerator = TOTAL(w*values) - (wi*mean)  
denomanator = SQRT(s2) * ( ( Wi * (num-Wi) ) / (num-1) )^0.5  
output[5,i] = TOTAL(numerator)/denomanator ; zGi* statistic
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IF (neighbours LE 8) THEN missing = missing + 1
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ENDFOR

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PRINT, num, ' points processed'  
IF (missing NE 0) THEN PRINT, missing, ' points with <8 neighbours'  
  
RETURN, output  
  
END
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