

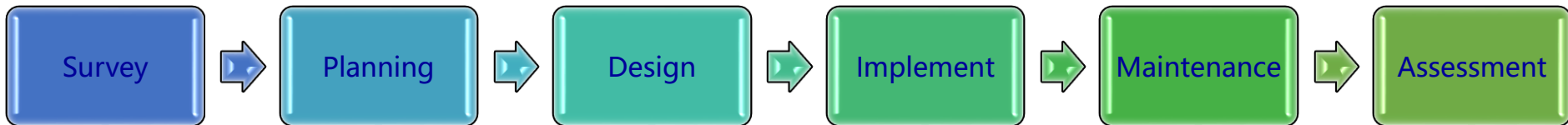


Measure Sustainable Cities and Communities based on Indicators on Urbanization

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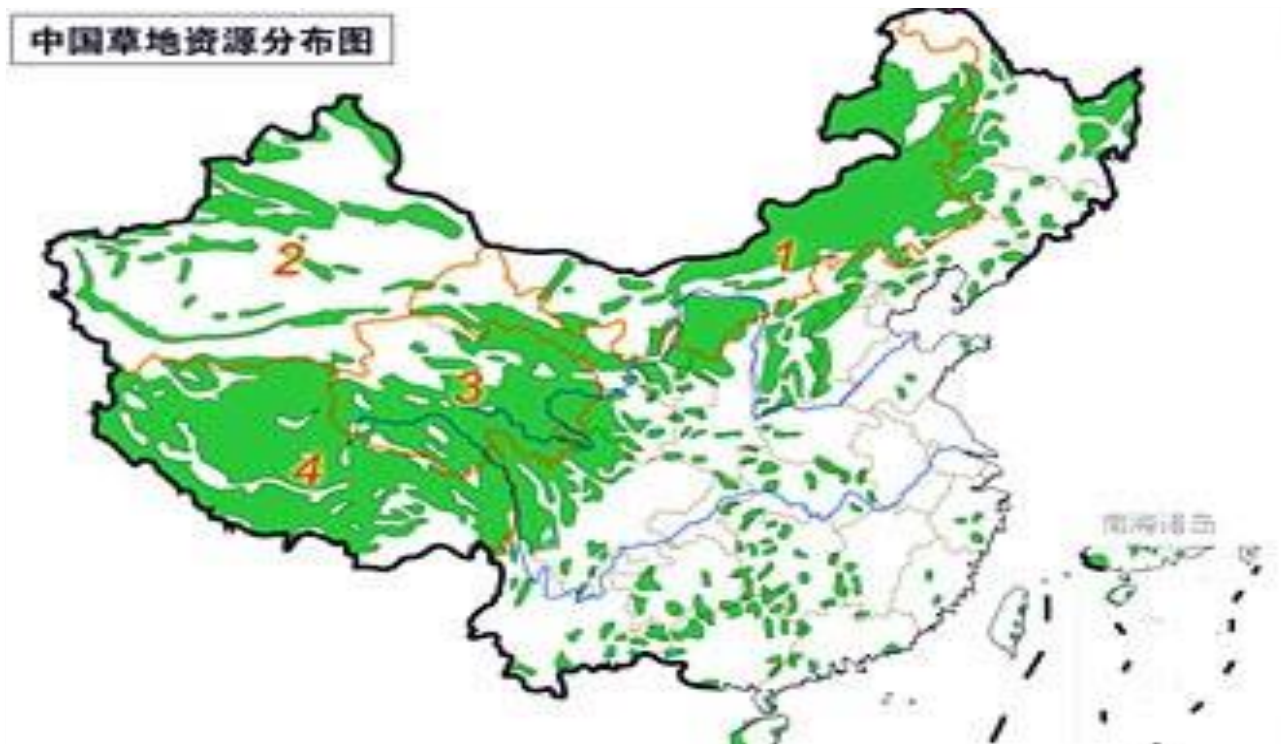
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1st Census on Geographic Conditions in China

- Area: China
- Project period: 2013 and 2015



Background



Census on Geographic Conditions



Geographic Conditions

Physical
Geography

Human
Geography

Natural
Features

Land
Cover

Man-
Made
Features

Social-
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Project Management



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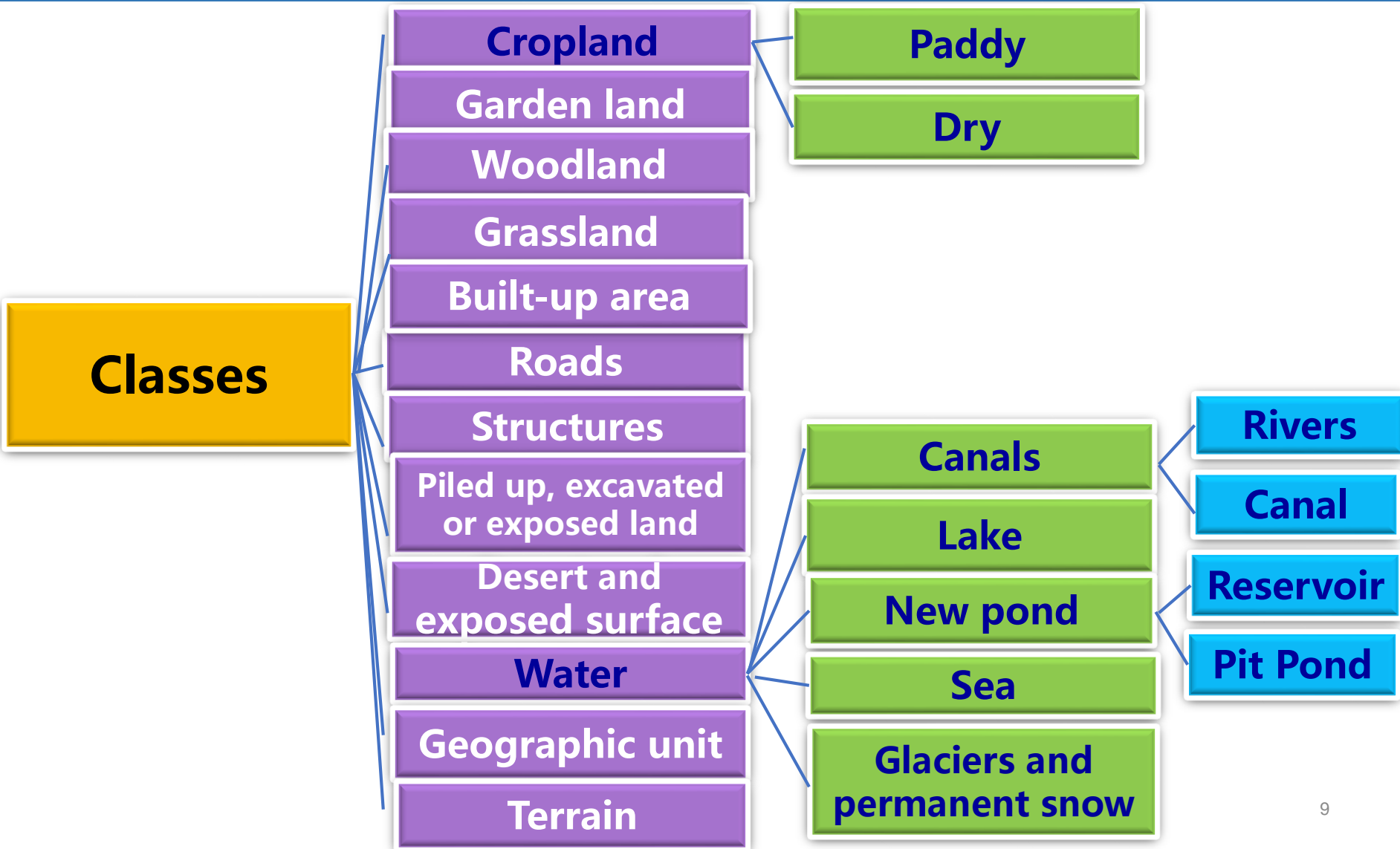
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Classification System

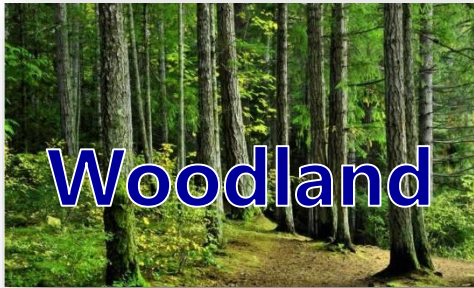


**First Level: 12
Classes**

**Second Level: 58
Classes**

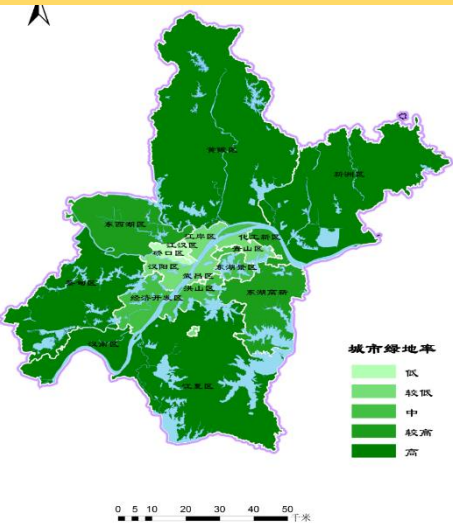
**Third Level: 135
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Land Use Classification

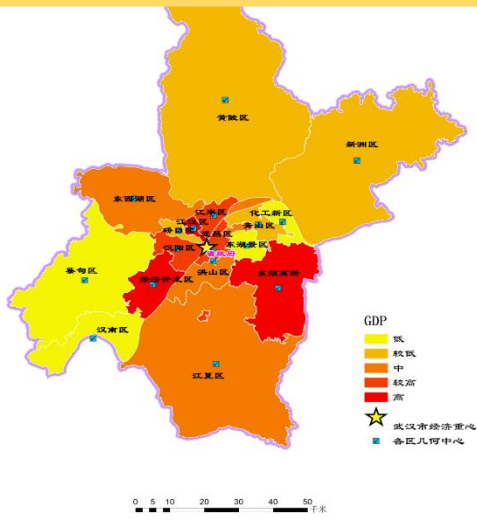


Example of Geographic Analyses

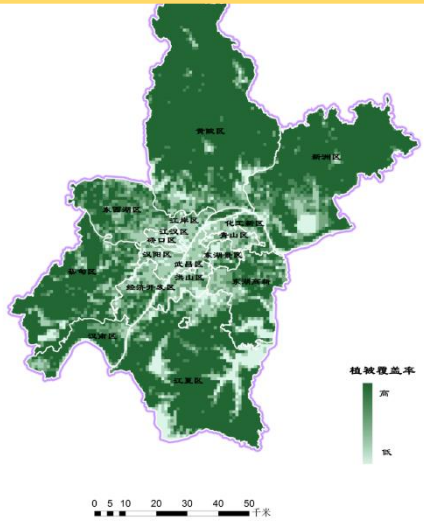
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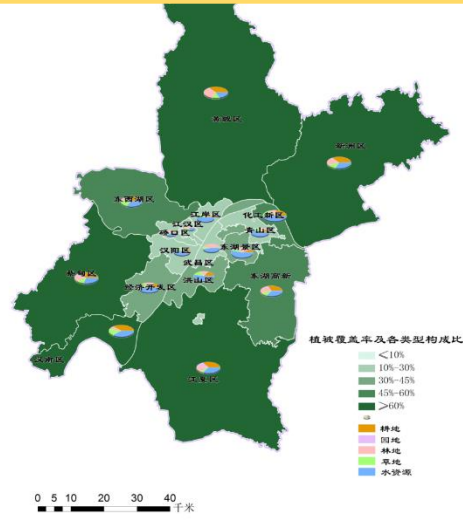
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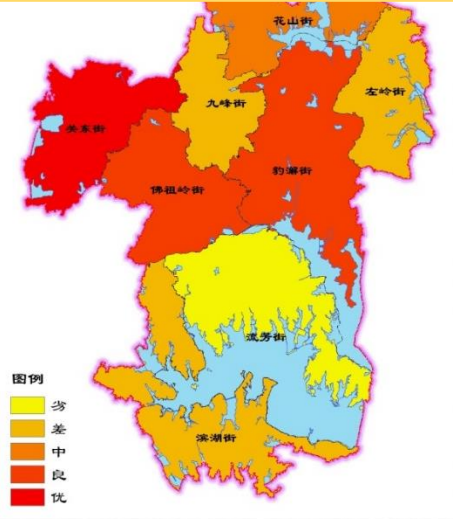
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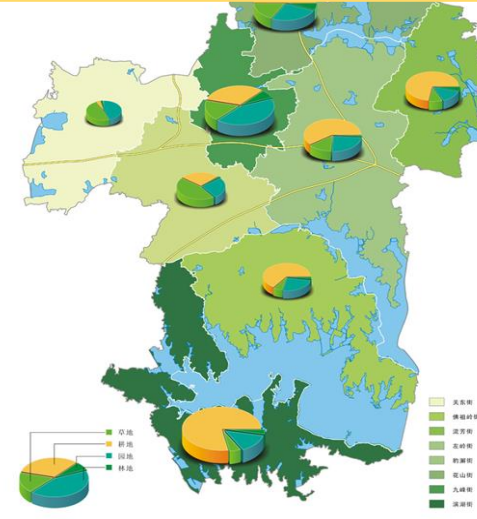
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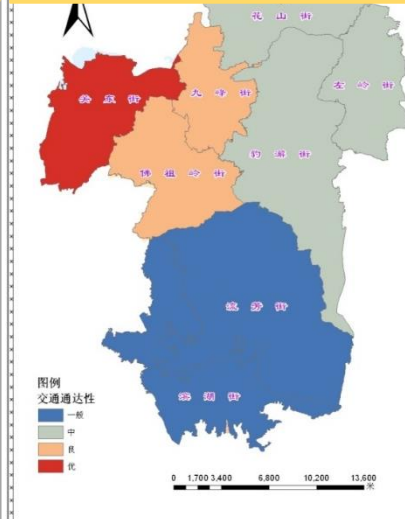
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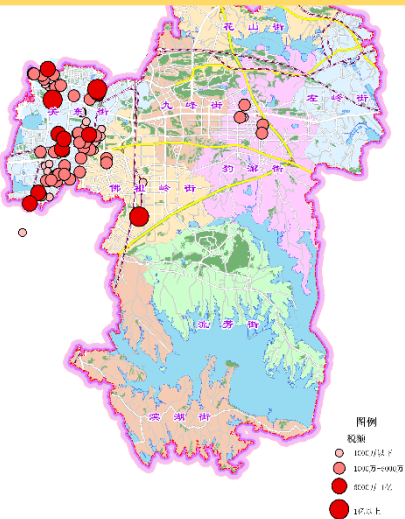
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Traffic



Productivity

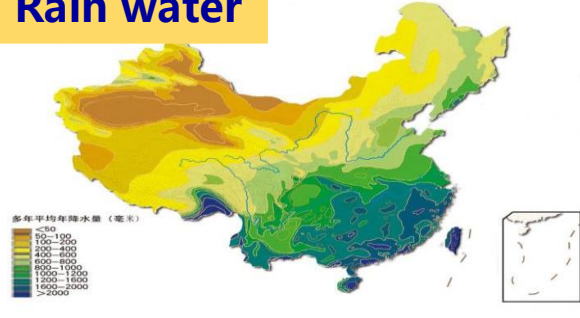


Examples of Geographic Monitoring

Agricultural land



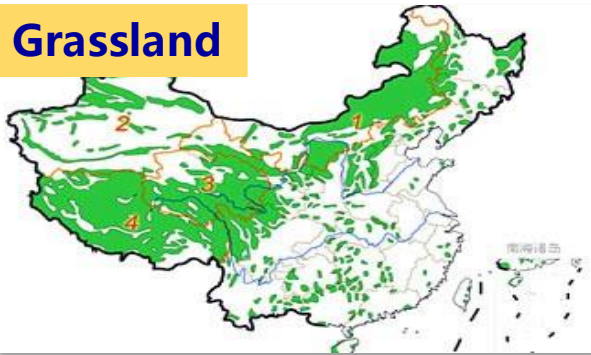
Rain water



Urbanization



Grassland



Forest land



1987

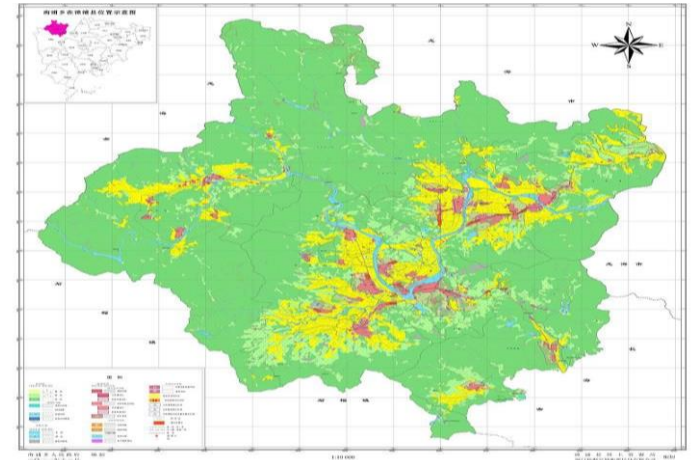
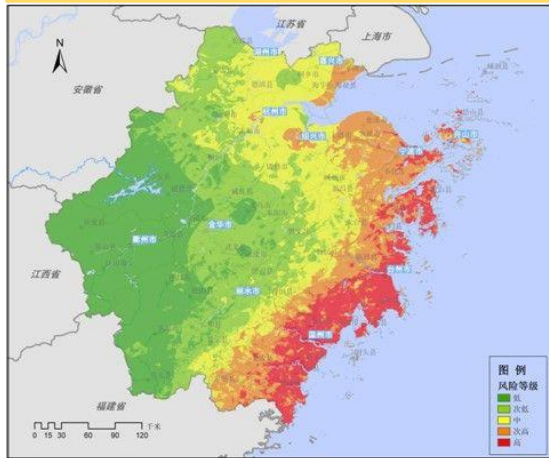
2006

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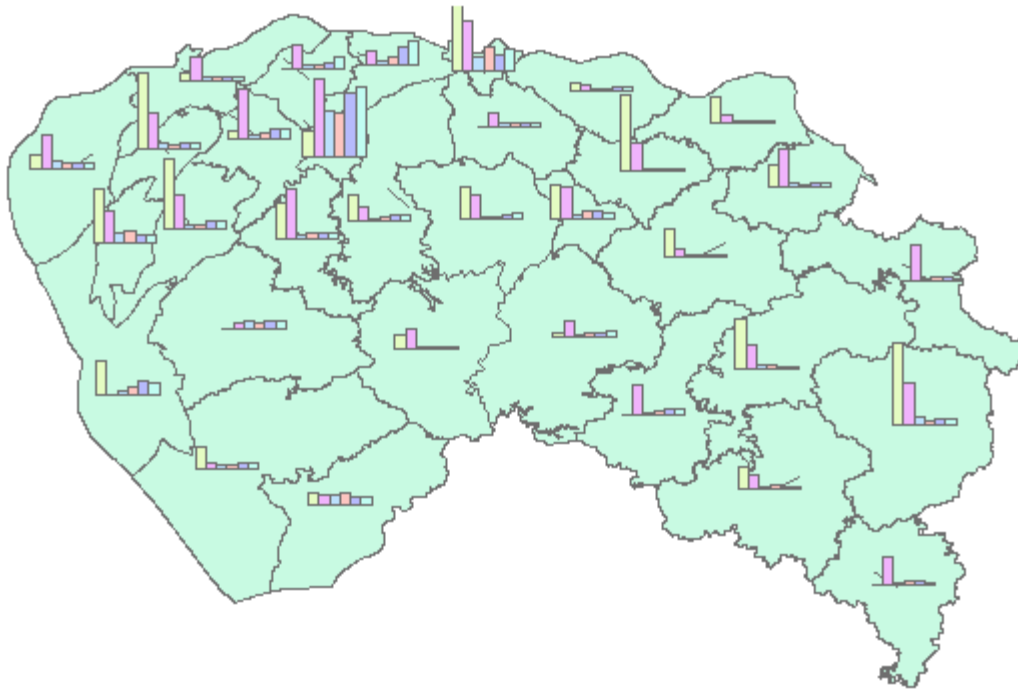
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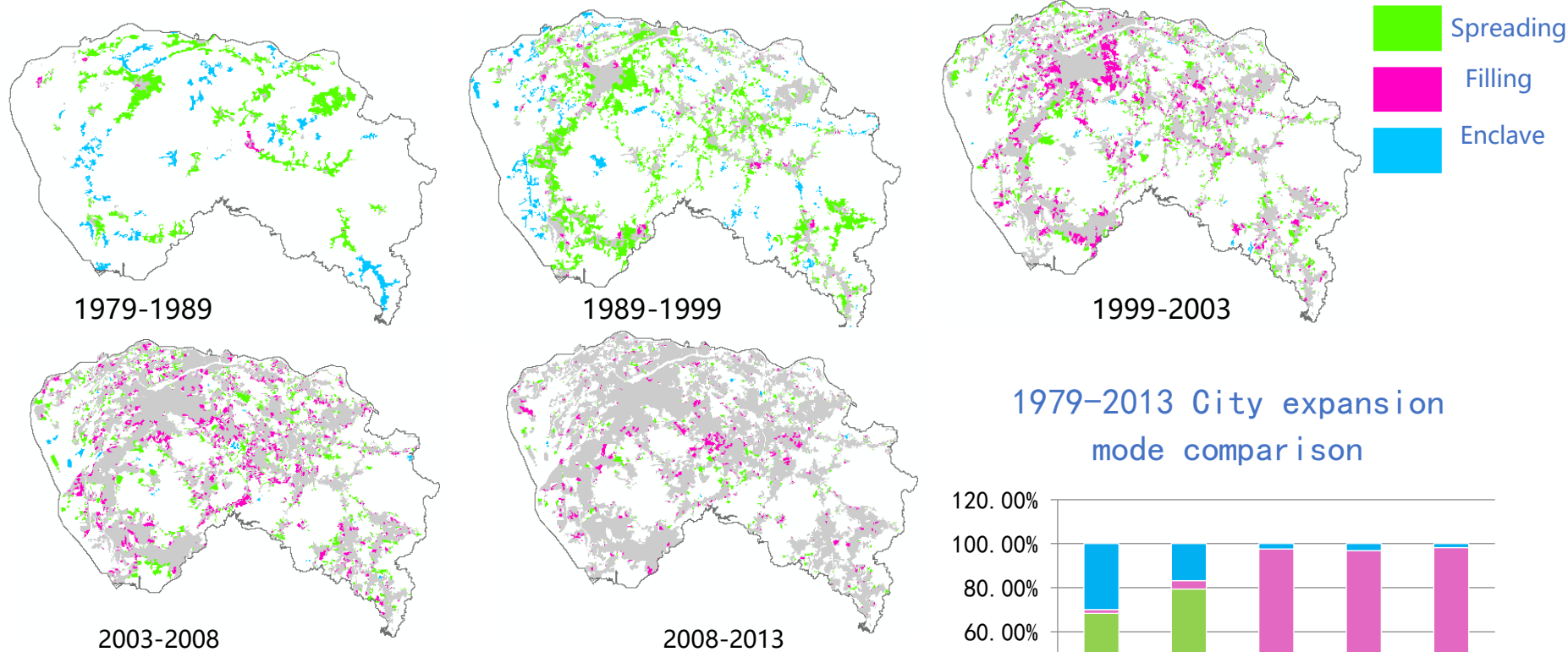
- $c = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{2\sqrt{\pi A_i}}{P_i} \right)}{n^2}$, measure of compactness of urban area's contour
- Higher value indicates higher compactness of Urban Area (denser distribution)

1979–2013 Urban Shape Compactness Index
in Dongguan City



**Higher compactness
and denser urban
area distribution in
central area**

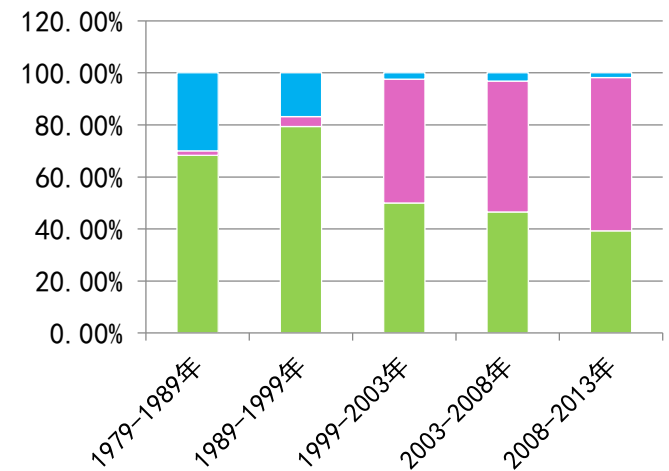
Urban expansion mode



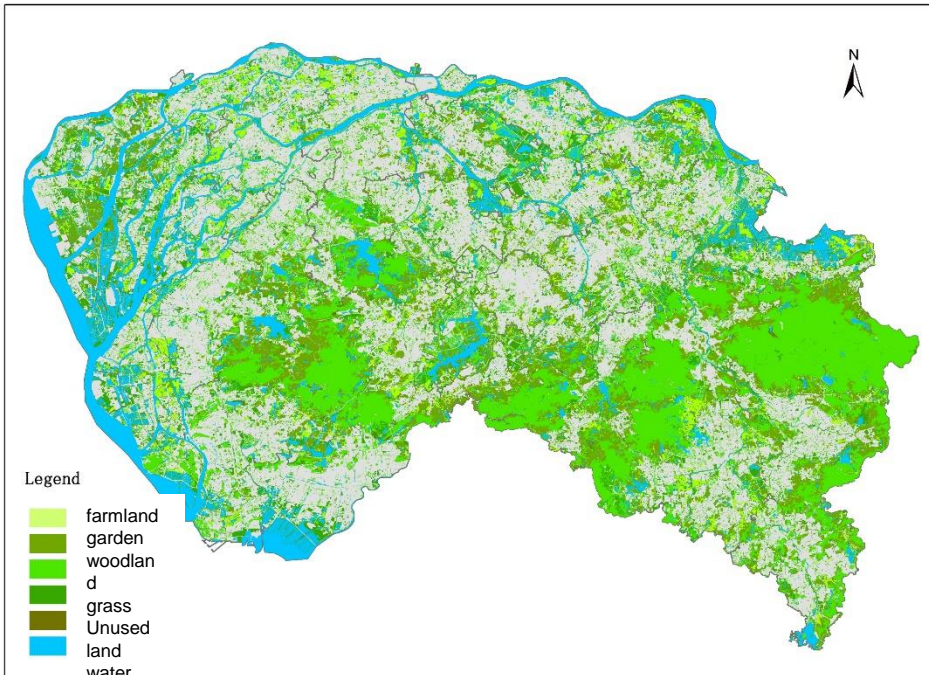
$$S = L/P$$

Main mode of urban expansion:
spreading and filling

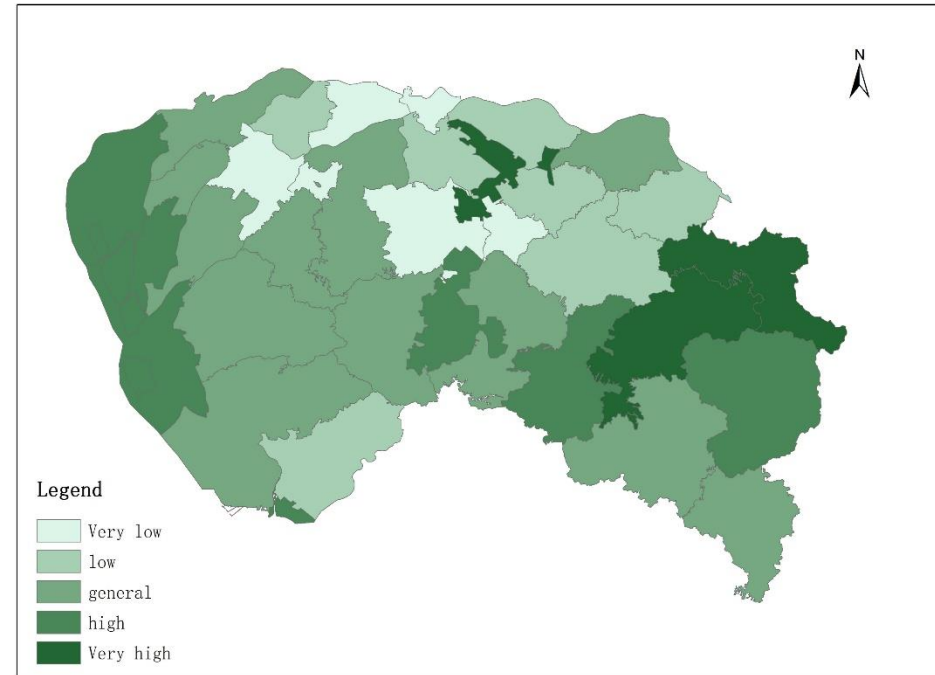
1979-2013 City expansion mode comparison



Evaluation of Ecological Land



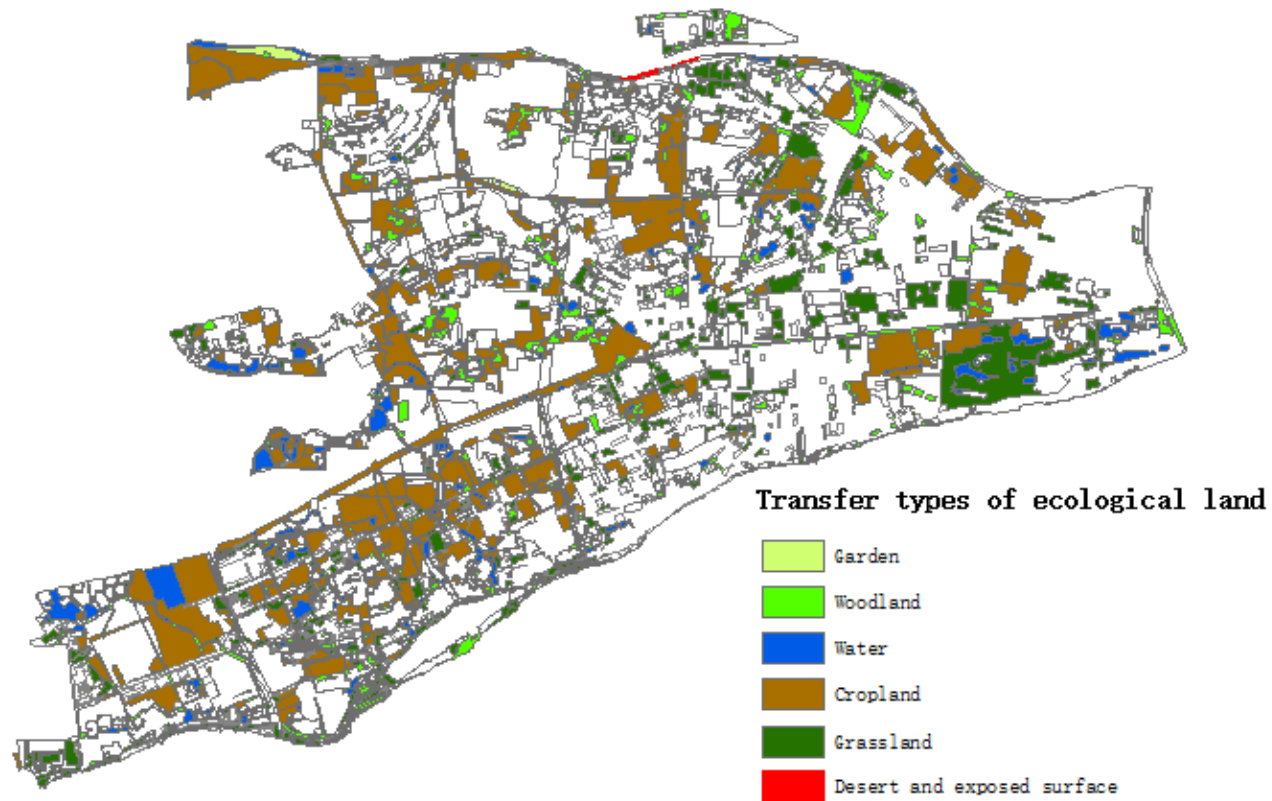
Spatial distribution of ecological land in the City



Cover ratio of ecological land in the City

Evaluation of Ecological Land

The types of ecological land transfer in Shijie Town from 1999 to 2003

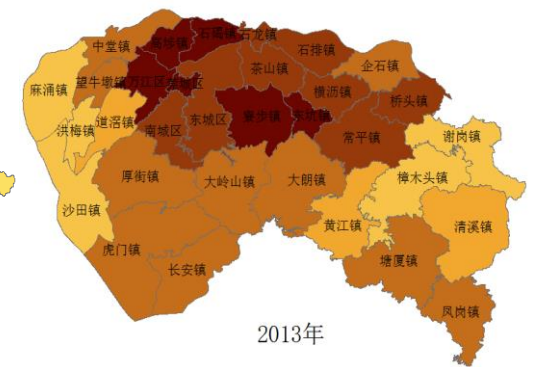
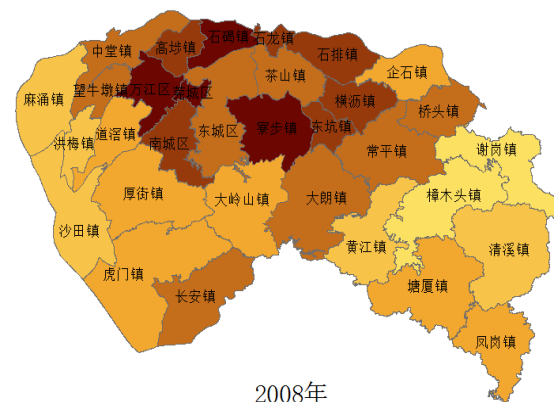
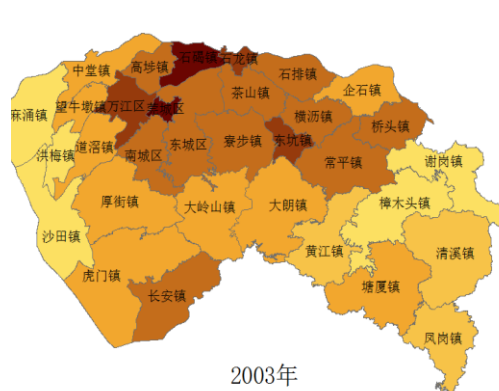
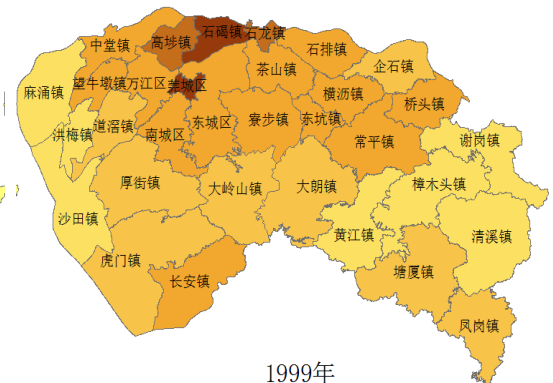
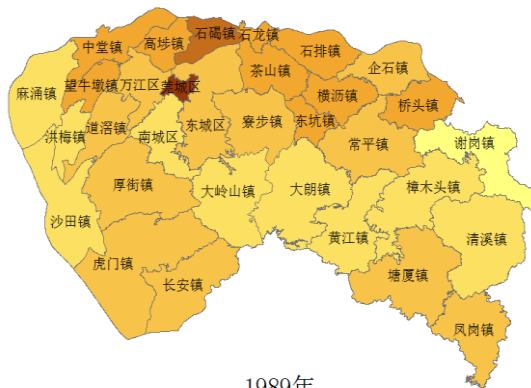
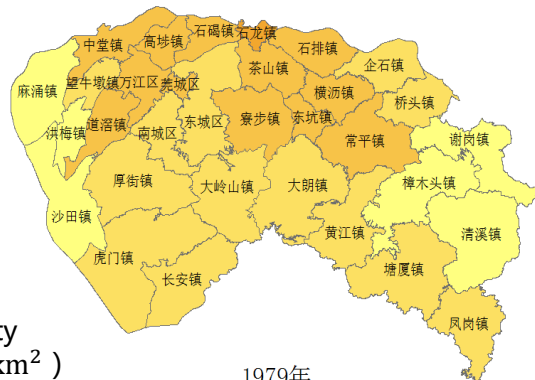
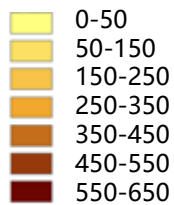


Spatial distribution of road network

$$D_r = \text{Length}_r / \text{Area}_s, \text{ road network density}$$

Legend

Road density
(km/100km²)



Road network accessibility

Based on space barrier:

$$A_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (T_{ij} * M_j)}{\sum_{j=1}^n M_j}$$

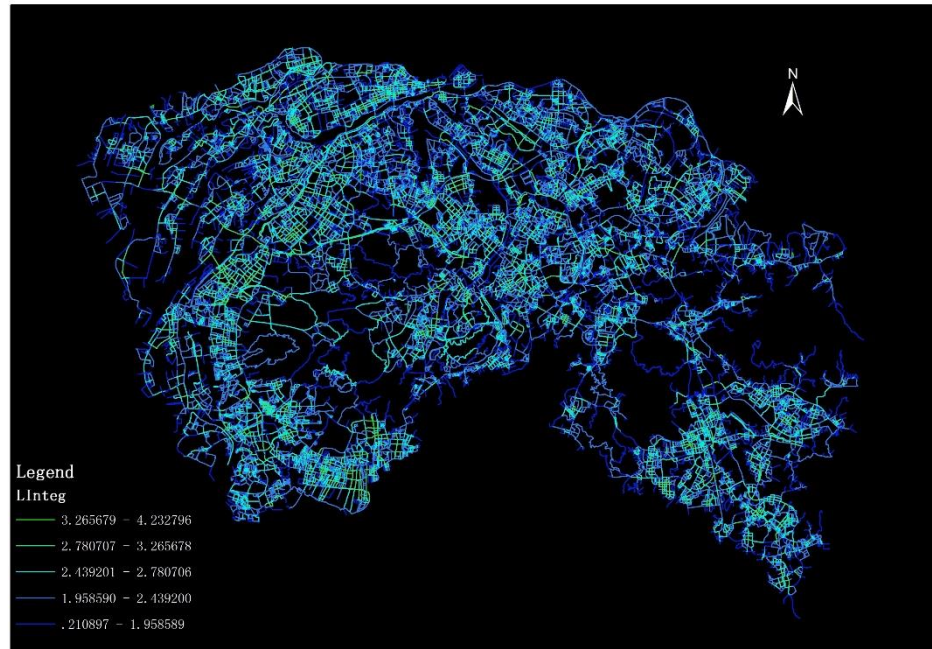
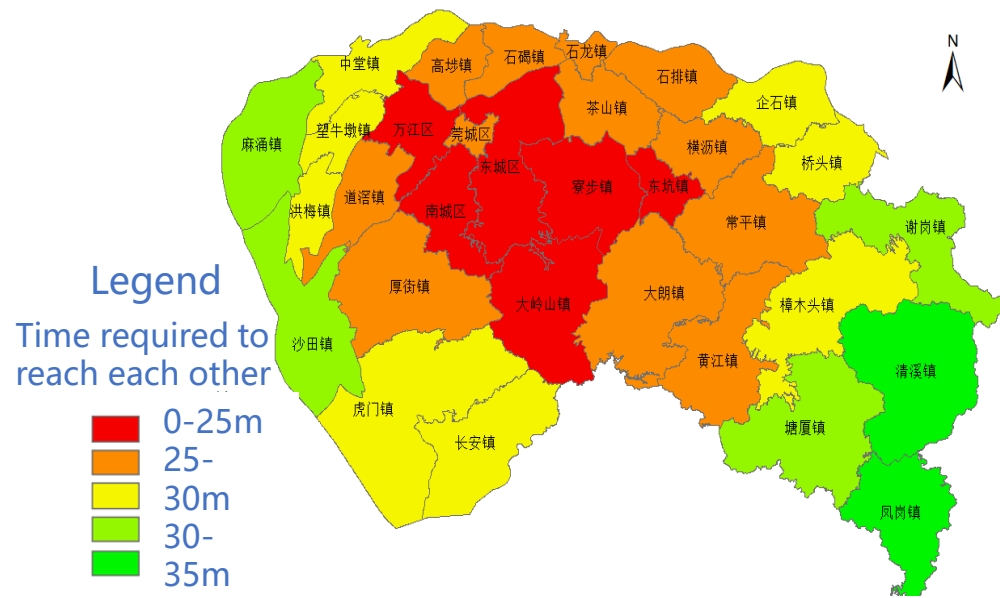
T_{ij} : Travel Time from i town to j town
 M_j : Weight

Based on space syntax :

$$L_i = \frac{1}{RRA_i} = \frac{D_k}{RA_i}$$

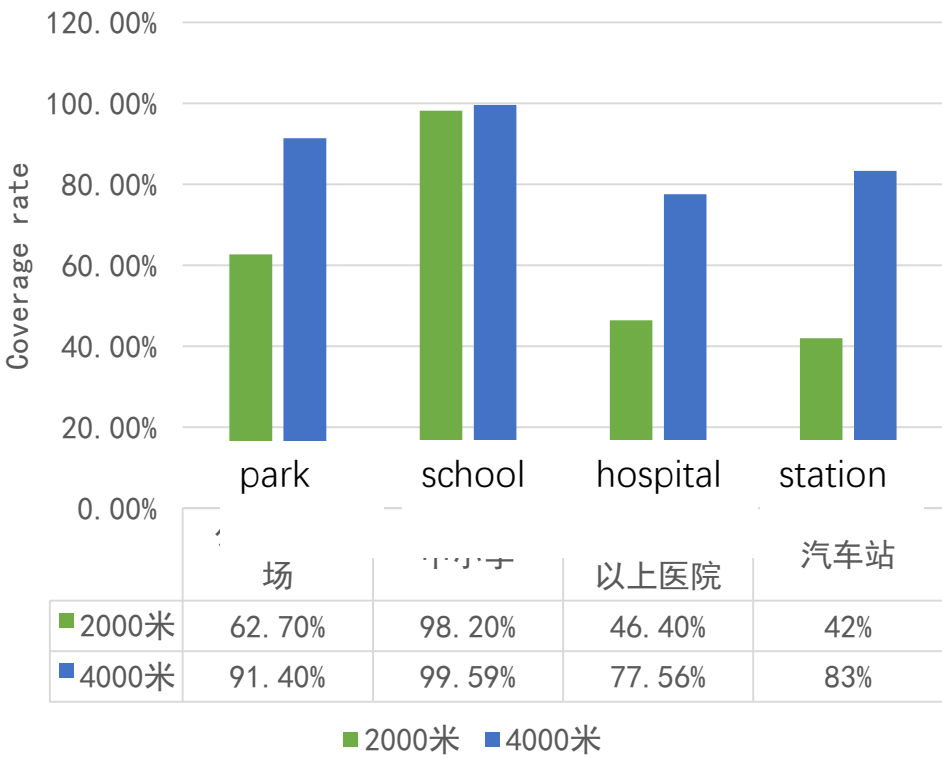
Where:

$$RA_i = \frac{2(P_i - 1)}{n - 2} \quad D_k = \frac{2n\{\log_2\left[\frac{n+2}{3}-1\right] + 1\}}{(n - 1)(n - 2)}$$

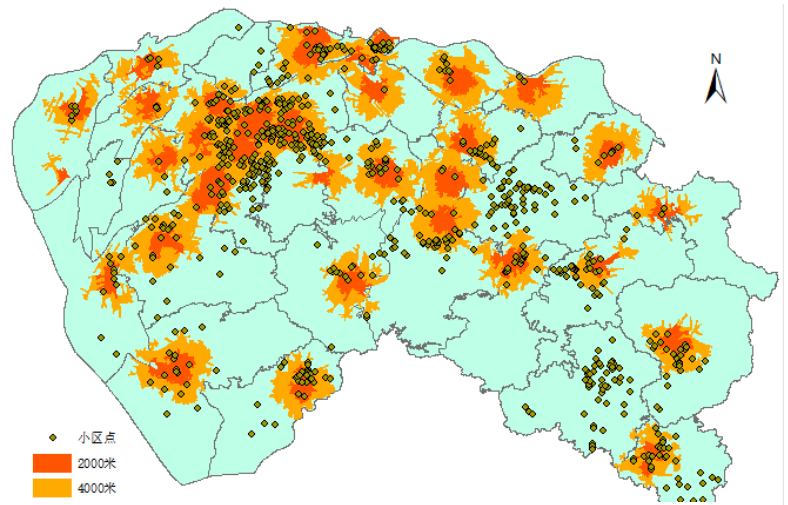


Equalization of infrastructure

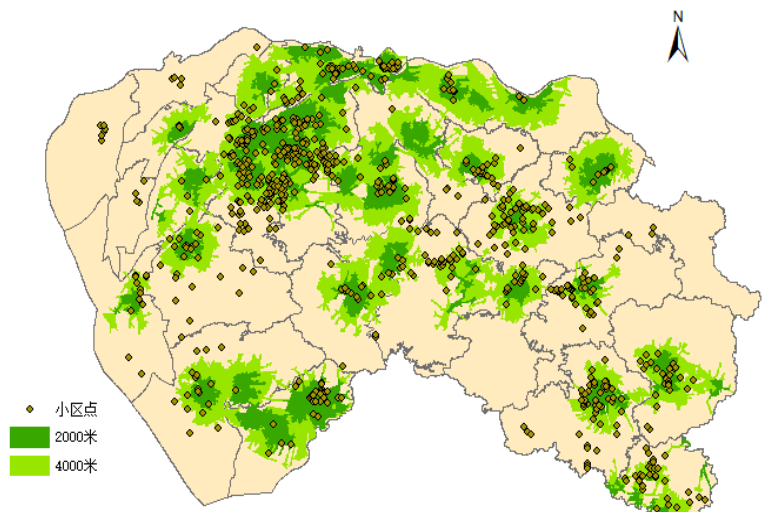
Coverage ratio of infrastructure in the City in 2015



Count the number of residential points in the buffer



service area of hospitals

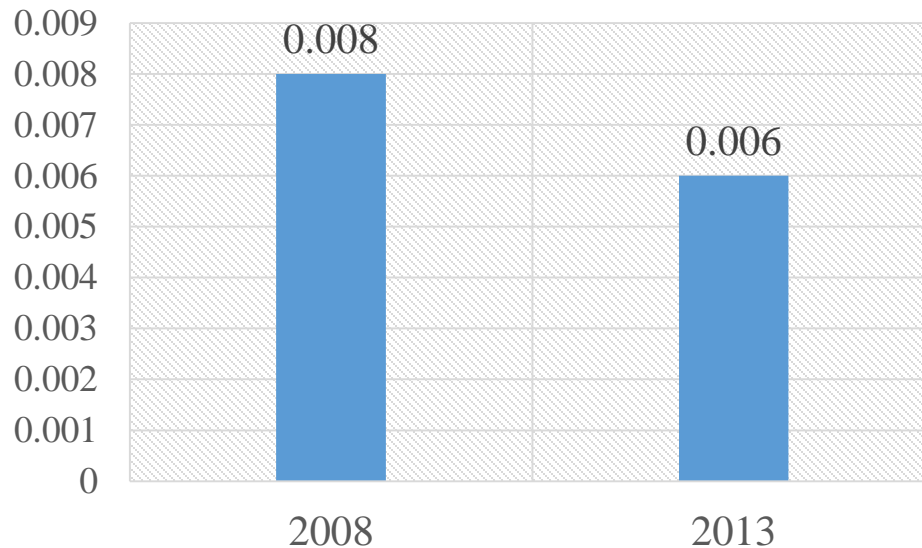


service area of parks

Population Imbalanced Indicator

- $$U = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (x_i - y_i) \right]^2}{n}}$$
- Indicator of the imbalanced distribution of urban area and population
- Higher value: more imbalanced

**Population Imbalanced
Index in the City**

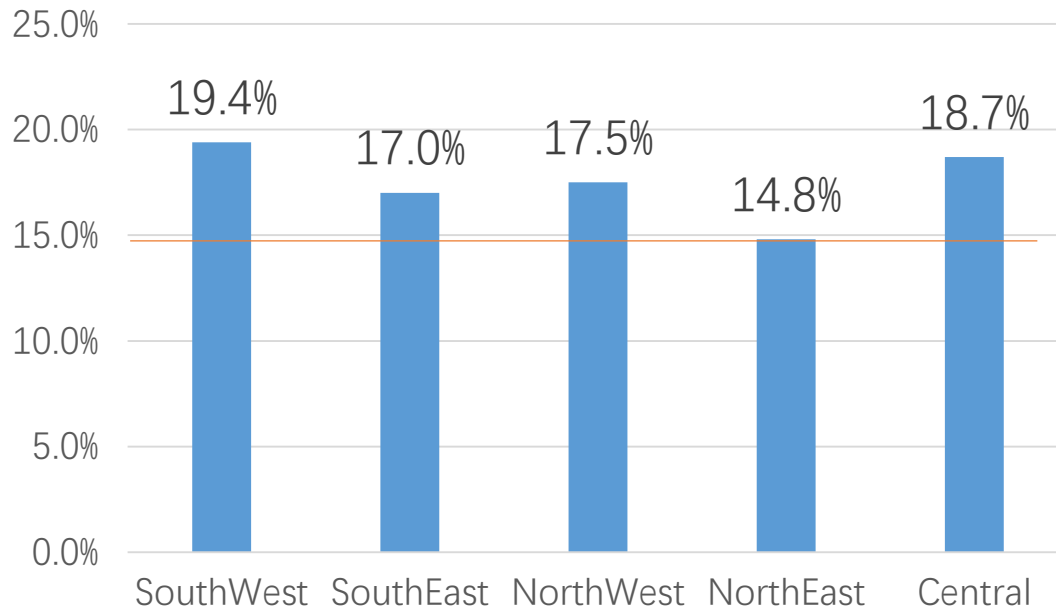


Low level of **Population Imbalanced Index** indicate balanced distribution of urban area and population

Urban Landuse Area and Proportion

- Urban Landuse Area per capita, Green Space per capita, Green Space Proportion
- Indicator of the reasonability of the urban landuse

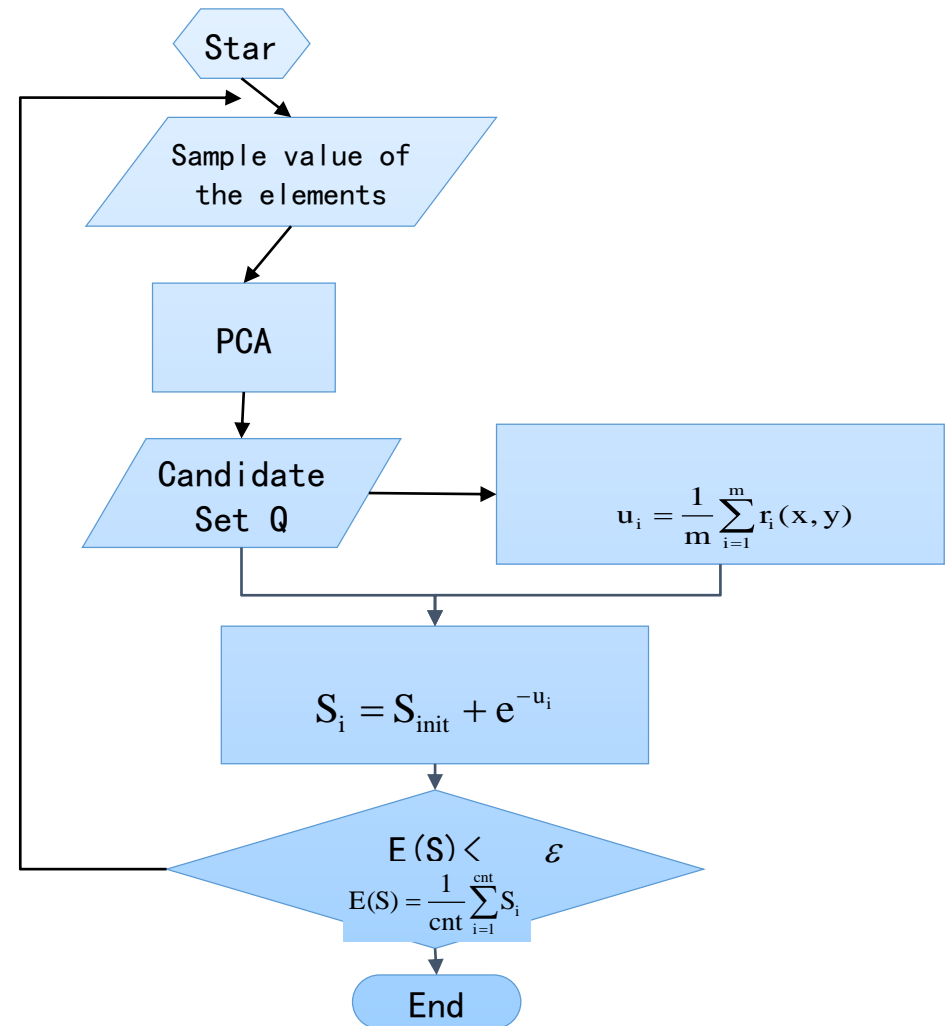
Green Space Proportion of the City



High proportion
(up to 15%) of
Green Space
indicate good
environment in
urban area

Index on Geographic Conditions

- Identify components dynamically
- Determine the weight of elements



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Indicators on urbanization can potentially be used for measure the development of Sustainable Cities and Communities in SDGs.

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