



## **THE APPLICATION OF MACHINE LEARNING USING GOOGLE EARTH ENGINE FOR REMOTE SENSING ANALYSIS**

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### **Abstract**

The spatial dimensions and temporal resolutions of the change detection analyses have been limited by traditional methodologies (i.e., desktop computing, open source). For decades, Remote Sensing (RS) have been collected large amounts of data, which are difficult to manage and analyzed using standard software packages and desktop computing resources. For this, Google developed the Google Earth Engine (GEE) cloud computing to successfully meet the issues of large data analysis. GEE is a cloud-based computing as a planetary-scale geospatial platform for Earth science data and analysis, allows these spatiotemporal constraints to be lifted and handle massive amounts of geodata over wide areas and to monitor the environment over long periods of time. We summarize the GEE data catalog's big geospatial data such as Climate and weather for surface temperature, climate, atmospheric and weather. It also contains Imagery like Landsat, Sentinel, MODIS and High-resolution Imagery and Geophysical information contains of terrain, land cover, cropland, and other geophysical data. Furthermore, supervised machine and unsupervised machine algorithms were used for several applications for Land Use Land Cover (LULC), hydrology, urban planning, natural disasters, and climate assessments. The research describes the utilization to resolve the big data using machine learning algorithm.

**Keyword:** Remote Sensing, GEE, cloud-based, machine learning, geospatial data

## **1. INTRODUCING**

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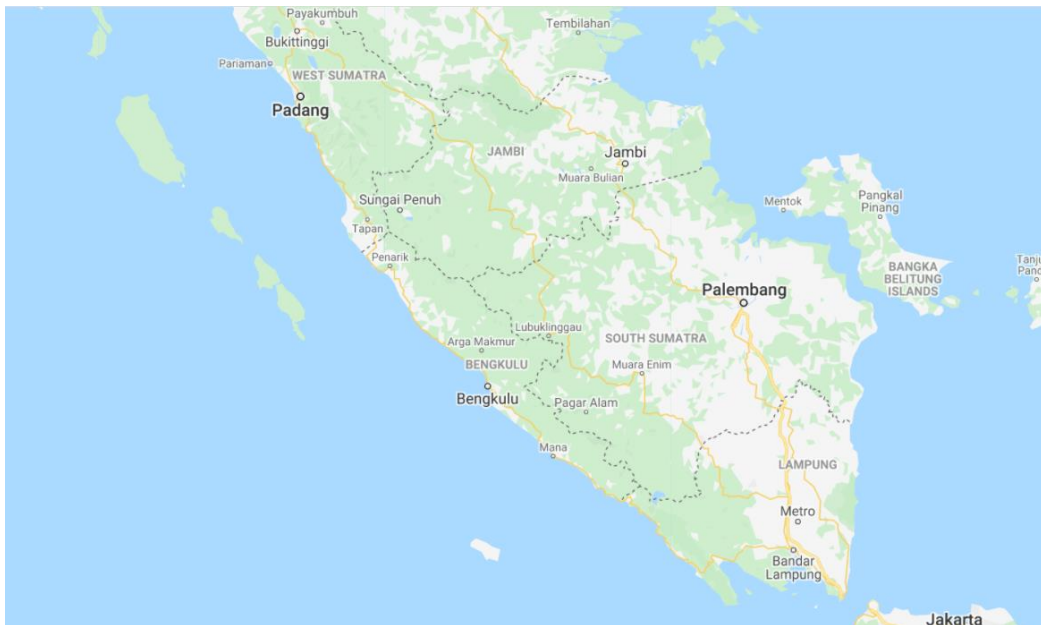
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In this study, we analyzed the area of interest to evaluate the land based on management parameters that limit the accessibility and can be assessed using a Google Earth Engine. The research describes the utilization to resolve the big data using machine learning algorithm.



## 2. RESEARCH METHODS

Muara Enim Regency is one of the areas in South Sumatra Province. Geographically, it is located between  $4^{\circ} - 6^{\circ}$  south latitude and  $104^{\circ} - 106^{\circ}$  east longitude. The administrative area of Muara Enim Regency is divided into 20 sub-districts consisting of 326 villages/kelurahan, namely 310 villages and 16 sub-districts. The capital is in Muara Enim District. The topography of Muara Enim Regency is quite diverse, ranging from lowlands to highlands. Most of the sub-districts are in low-lying areas with an altitude of less than 100 meters above sea level (asl) which includes 20 (twenty) sub-districts, with an area of 7,058.41 km<sup>2</sup> (77.22 percent) of the area of Muara Enim Regency. Five other sub-districts are located at an altitude of more than 10 meters above sea level (masl), namely Lawang Kidul District (100-50 m asl), Tanjung Agung District (500-800 mdpl), Semende Darat Tengah District (100 m asl), Semende Darat Laut Subdistrict (500-1000 m asl) and Semende Darat Ulu Subdistrict (>100 m asl).



**Figure 1.** Muara Enim Regency

Land use in Muara Enim is divided into 2 (two) major groups, namely Protected Areas and Cultivation Areas. Protected area is an area designated with the main function of protecting environmental sustainability which includes natural resources, artificial resources, and historical and cultural values of the nation in the interest of sustainable development. This area is basically an area that based on carrying capacity analysis has limitations to be developed because of the limiting factors that serve as criteria (slope, soil type, rainfall, altitude; as well as volcanic hazard zone, soil movement vulnerability zone, and water conservation zone). very high potential).

### 2.1. Landsat 5 TM

The datasets were used Tier 1 calibrated top-of-atmosphere (TOA) reflectance from Landsat 5 TM Collection 1. The image metadata is used to obtain the calibration coefficients. Landsat 5 Collection 1 datasets were available from January 1984 to May 2012.

**Table 1.** Landsat 5 TM Collection 1 Tier Toa Reflectance

Name	Description	Resolution
B1	Blue	0.45 - 0.52 $\mu\text{m}$
B2	Green	0.52 - 0.60 $\mu\text{m}$
B3	Red	0.63 - 0.69 $\mu\text{m}$
B4	Near Infrared	0.76 - 0.90 $\mu\text{m}$



B5	Shortwave Infrared 1	1.55 - 1.75 $\mu\text{m}$
B6	Thermal Infrared 1	10.40 - 12.50 $\mu\text{m}$
B7	Shortwave Infrared 2	2.08 - 2.35 $\mu\text{m}$
BQA	Band QA Bitmask	

Based on the table 1, the landsat 5 TM were used

### 2.2 MODIS MCD12Q1 Land Cover Type

The MODIS MCD12Q1 V6 package contains worldwide land cover types derived from six distinct categorization methods at annual intervals (2001-2016). It is calculated using MODIS Terra and Aqua reflectance data that have been supervised classified. The supervised classifications are then refined further with further post-processing that incorporates past knowledge and supplementary data.

**Table 1.** Dataset and Source

Name	Description
LC_Type1	Land Cover Type 1: Annual International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme (IGBP) classification
LC_Type2	Land Cover Type 2: Annual University of Maryland (UMD) classification
LC_Type3	Land Cover Type 3: Annual Leaf Area Index (LAI) classification
LC_Type4	Land Cover Type 4: Annual BIOME-Biogeochemical Cycles (BGC) classification
LC_Type5	Land Cover Type 5: Annual Plant Functional Types classification

### 2.3. Machine learning

We may train a collection of Decision Tree classifiers, each on a different random subset of the train set, to enhance our method. To create a prediction, we simply collect the forecasts of all individual trees and then forecast the class with the most votes. Random Forest is the name of this method.

## 3. RESULT AND DISCUSSIONS

Accordingly, we classified the landcover type from MODIS using machine learning using the random forest based on 7 bands as the input parameters. Then the classifiers were train using the confusion matrix were the validation data use 5000 sample. The results were shows the landsat 5 layer and land cover classifier layer.

### 3.1. Landsat 5 TM

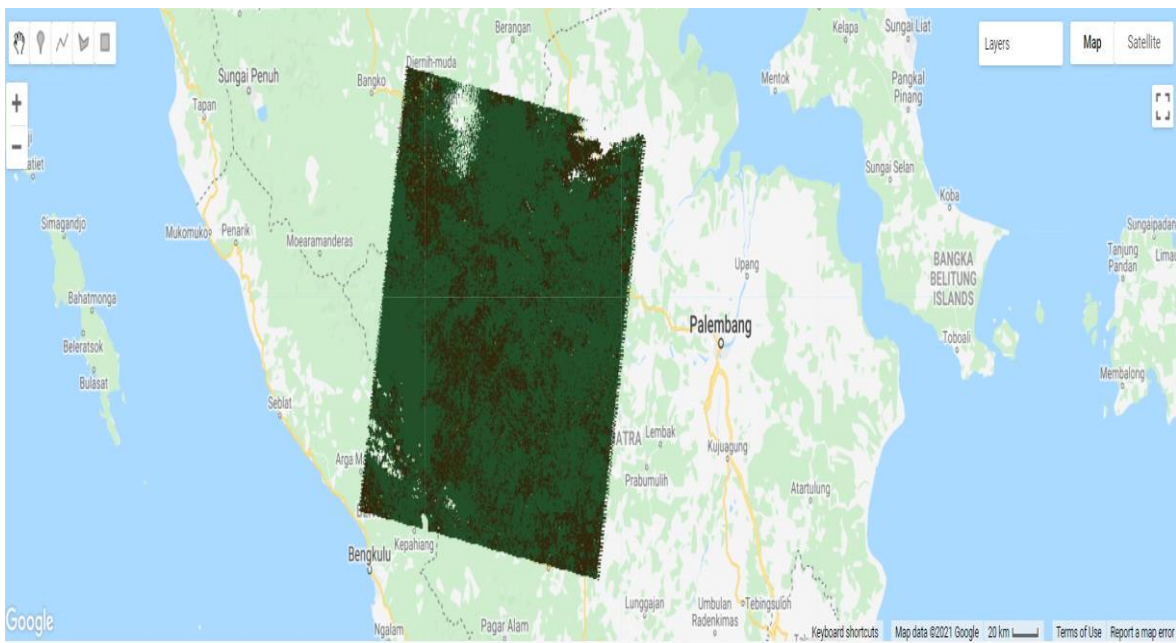
The landsat 5 dataset were processed during January 2011 until End of December 2011 and processed with the least cloud using Google Earth Engine.



**Figure 1. Landsat 5 TM**

**3.2 Classifier MCD12Q1 Land Cover Type**

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**Figure 2. MCD12Q1 Land Cover Type**

**3.3. Machine learning**

The classifiers were train using the confusion matrix were the validation data use 5000 sample. Then we calculate the overall accuracy from the confusion matrix. It shows that the training overall accuracy is 0.893 and validation overall accuracy 0.694. Research have been done using this algorithm of random forest has better accuracy [9]. This study has improvement from the previous study [10] which has overall accuracy 0.7.



## 4. CONCLUSION

This study demonstrates the application of machine learning using google earth engine for remote sensing analysis. The study was analyzed in Muara Enim regency which is mostly obtained as a forest area. As we can see from the results from the land cover type, mostly the land was covered by the trees. This study can be improved to improve the machine learning application using other methods and can be validated using other satellite images and other parameters like rainfall data [11].

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