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Application of a Fuzzy Set to the Structural Similarity (SSIM) Index for Assessment of Spatial Association between Ecological Variables

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The Structural Similarity (SSIM) index developed for image quality assessment provides an approach for spatial comparison. However, it was designed for variables that have the same scale of value, which limits its application. The object of the present study was to develop a generic framework for spatial similarity assessment between ecological variables. The variables were transformed into a range of 0-1 using fuzzy sets, and then examined with the SSIM index. As a case study, the association between solar radiation and temperature was examined using the proposed Fuzzy SSIM index. Comparing to rank correlation coefficients including Spearman's rho and Kendall's tau, the proposed index had a higher sensitivity. The type-2 fuzzy set would be useful for representing the imprecision in ecological data being compared. This suggests that the Fuzzy SSIM index could be used to examine the spatial association between ecological variables.

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