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Monitoring and integrating the increase/decrease of vegetated areas with the rate of groundwater use in dry regions

Study site & Problem



El-Tor city in Sinai Peninsula:

- Arid region
- Groundwater
- Scarce rainfall
- High pumping rate
- Limited database

Innovation

- Tracking the increase/decrease of vegetated areas
- Integrate it with Crop consumption rate

Materials

- Landsat 7&8
- Sentinel 2A

Methods

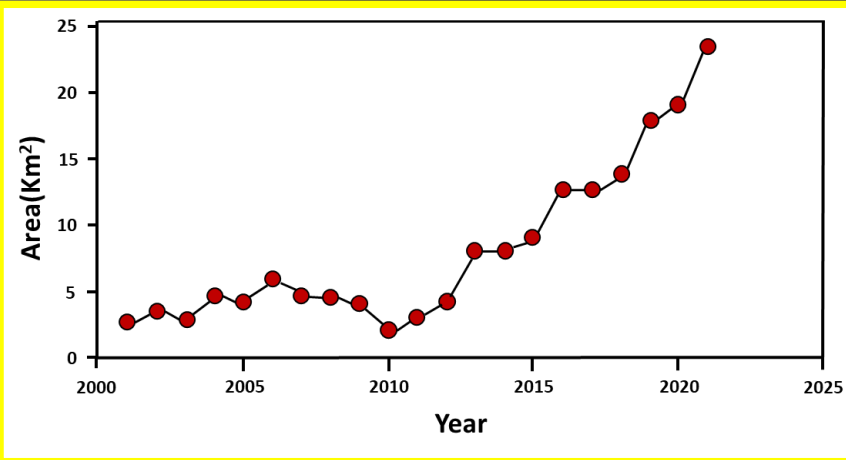
vegetation indices

- Site measurements
- CropWat8

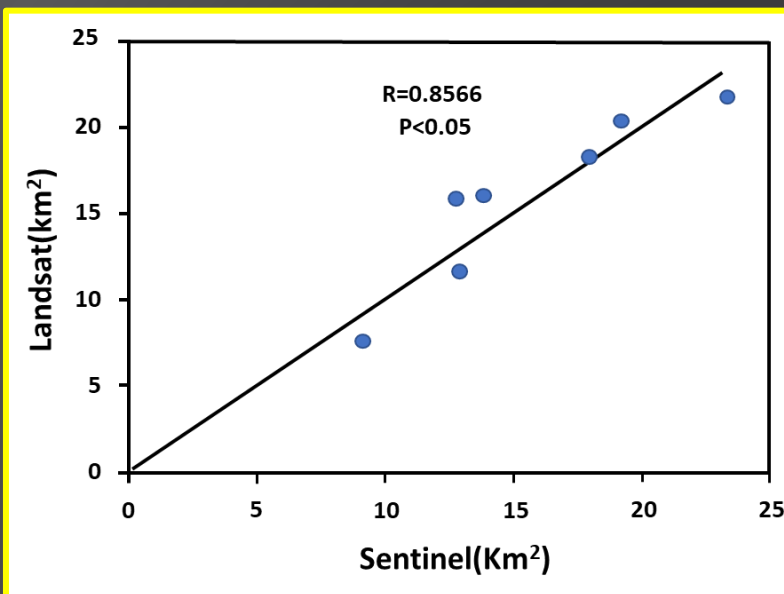
Consumption Scenarios

Results

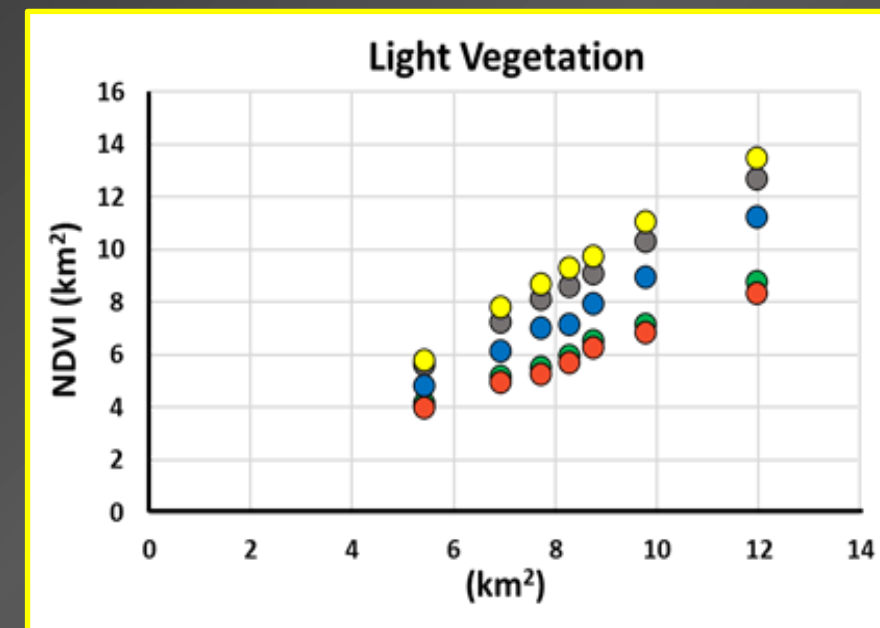
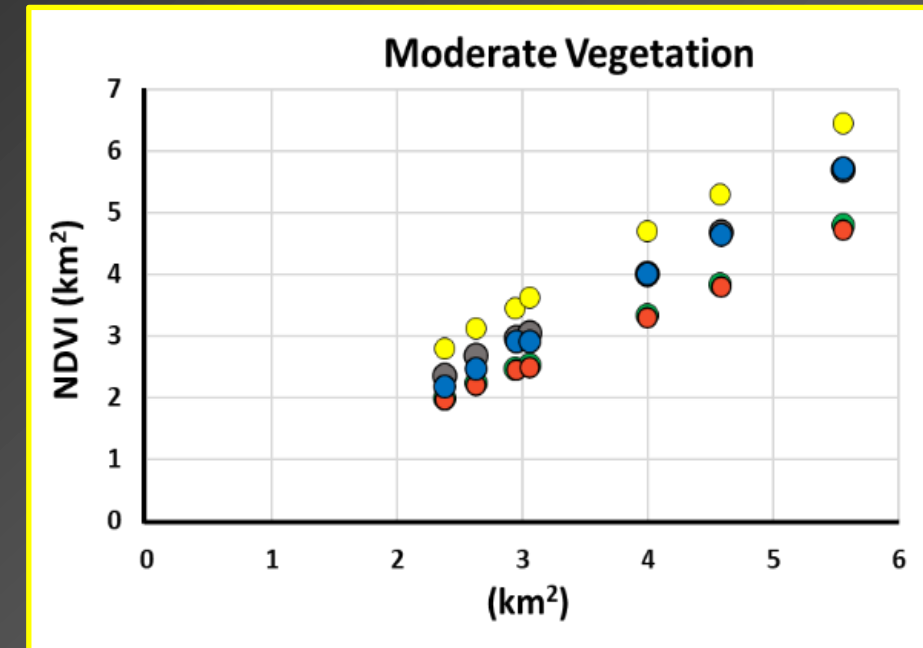
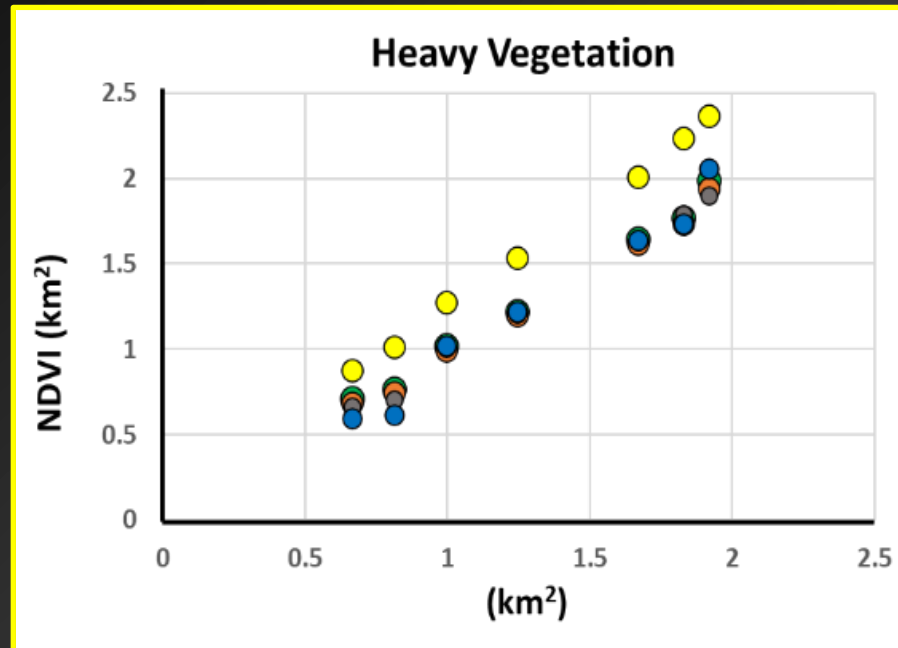
Landsat 7 & 8 + NDVI index



The correlation between Landsat8 & Sentinel 2A(30m) (2015:2021)



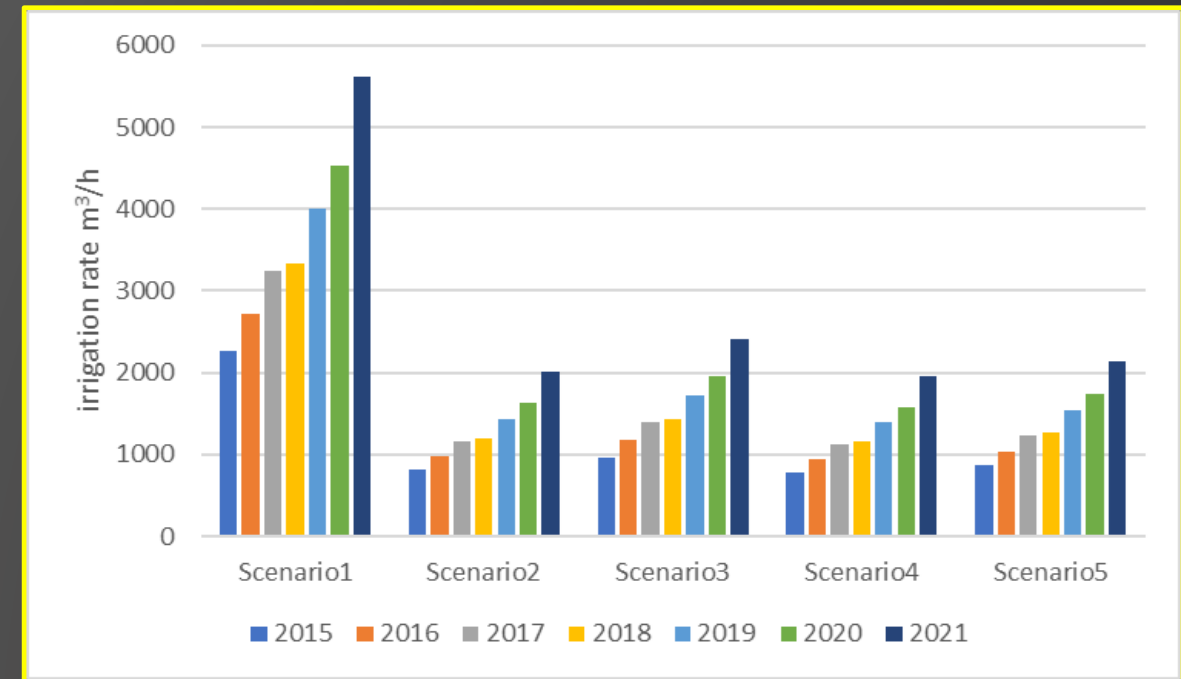
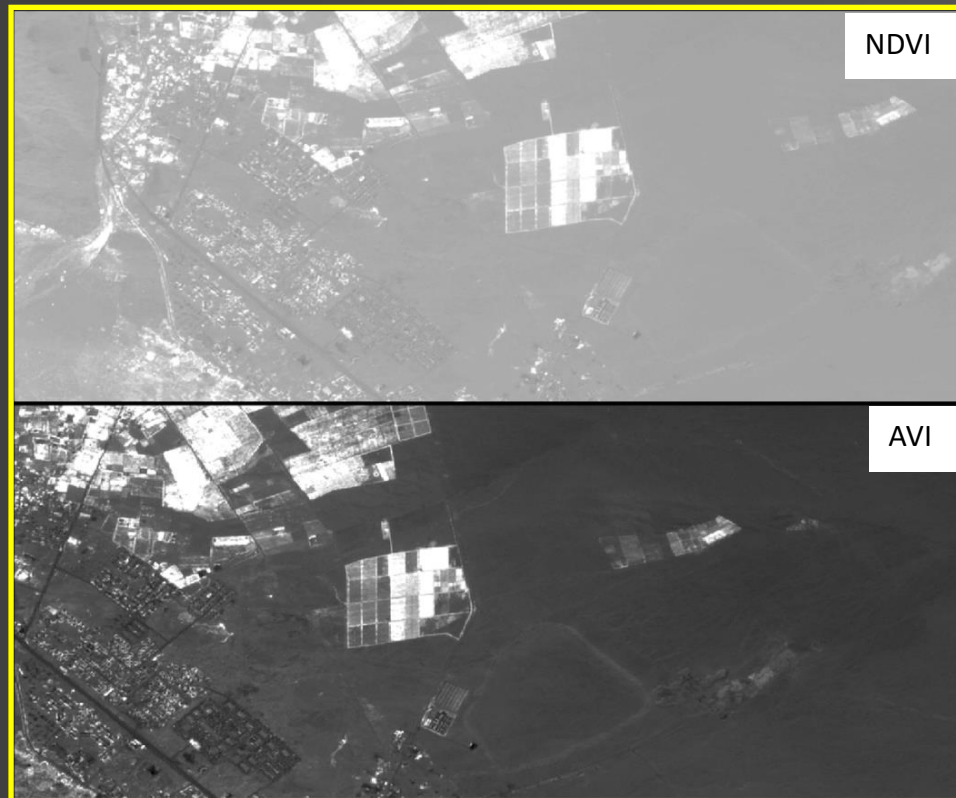
Sentinel2A(10m) + 6 indices correlation



● TVI ● RDVI ● SAVI ● EVI ● AVI

Results

- AVI showed the highest performance at the test site
- Water consumption for irrigation fluctuated between 785m³/h and 2256m³/h in 2015 & from 1954m³/h to 5618m³/h in 2021.



Conclusion:

Even without enough field or weather data, we roughly estimated agriculture's increase in water consumption.