Remote sensing detection of climate-smart practices: Enhancing farm resilience in Austria

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Climate Change Adaption in Agriculture

Climate Smart Agricultural Practices

- o Resilient yields in hazardous years
  - ▪ Cover Crops
    - • Soil erosion and soil quality
  - ▪ **Seeding Dates**
    - • Yield
  - ▪ Reduced or no tillage
    - • Soil erosion and soil quality
  - ▪ Crop-rotation
    - • Climate Resilience

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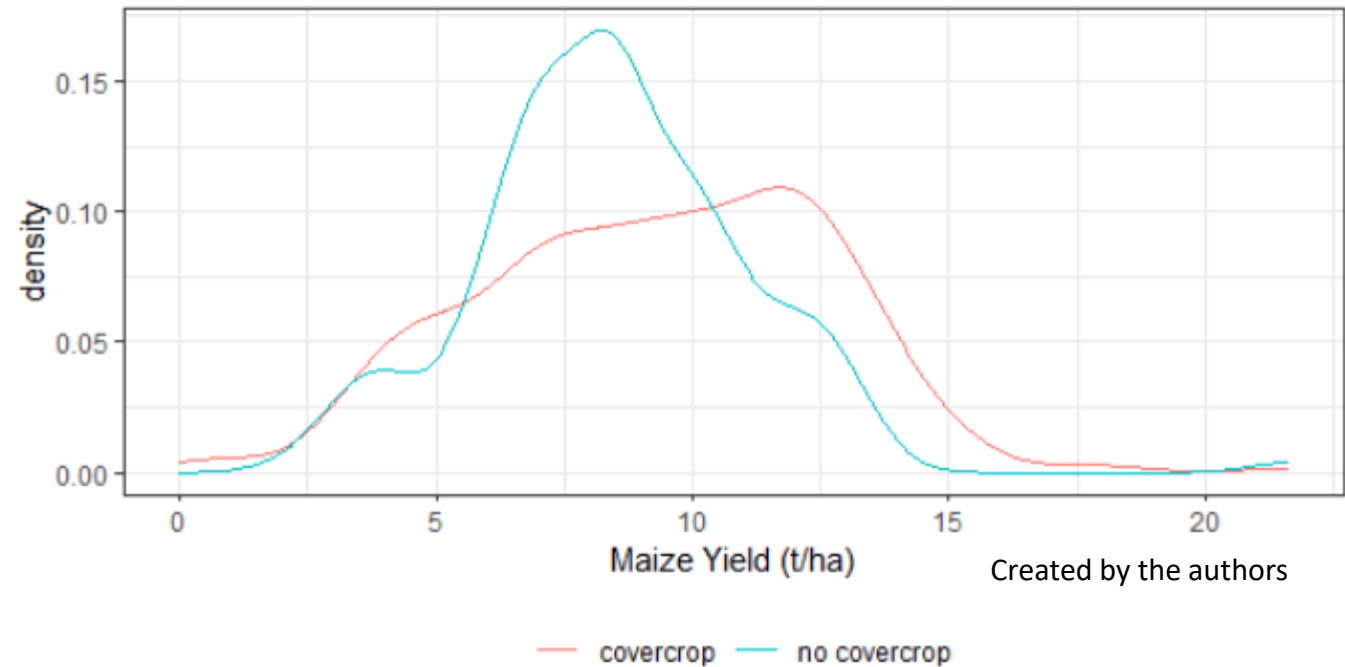
Distribution of maize yields for the years 2002 to 2020 in Lower Austria, for fields with [N = 292] and without [N = 138] a winter cover crop.

# Sensing Seeding Dates Remotely

- Publicly available Satellite data
  - Sentinel 1
- Estimates for:
  - Farmers
  - Policymakers
  - Scientists
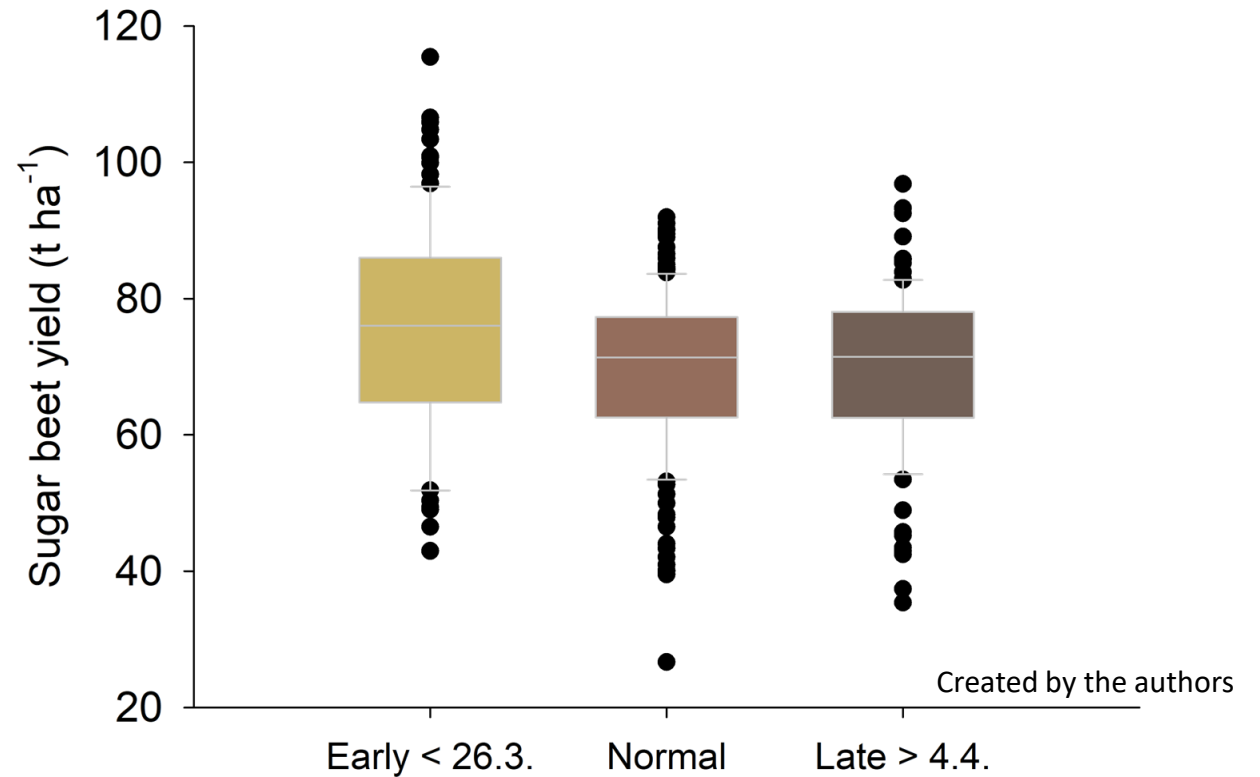
Distribution of sugar beet yields in Lower Austria, for fields with early [N = 103] normal [N = 214] and late seeding [N = 108] dates.

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In-Situ Data

- Austrian Chamber of Agriculture
  - Unbalanced Panel with polygons
    - Approx.. 1000 observations
    - 2017 – 2020
  - Self Reported

- Crops common in Austria
  - Maize, Soy,
    (Winter-)wheat,
    (Winter-)barley,
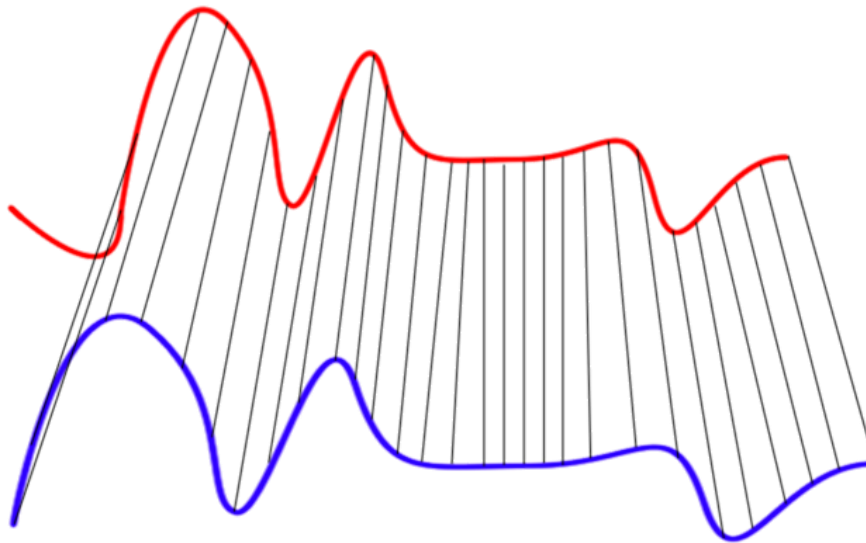   Sugar beets,
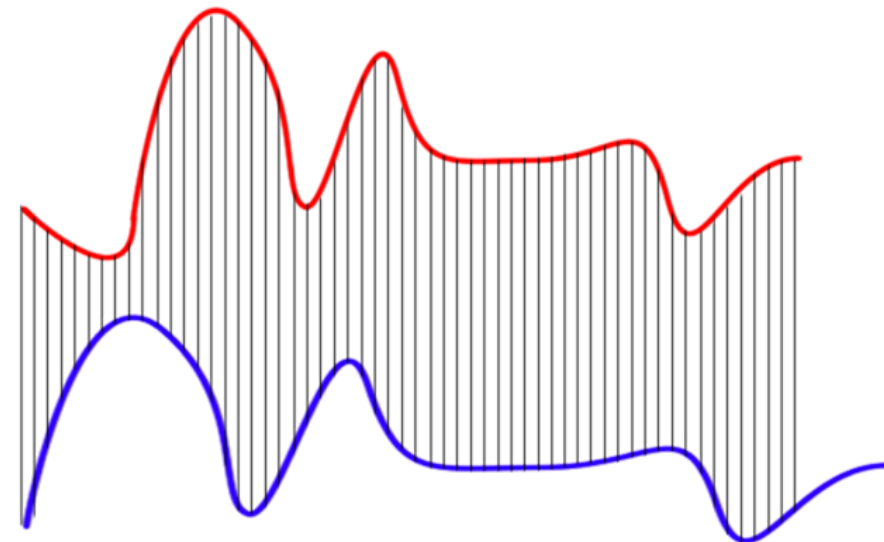   Sunflower
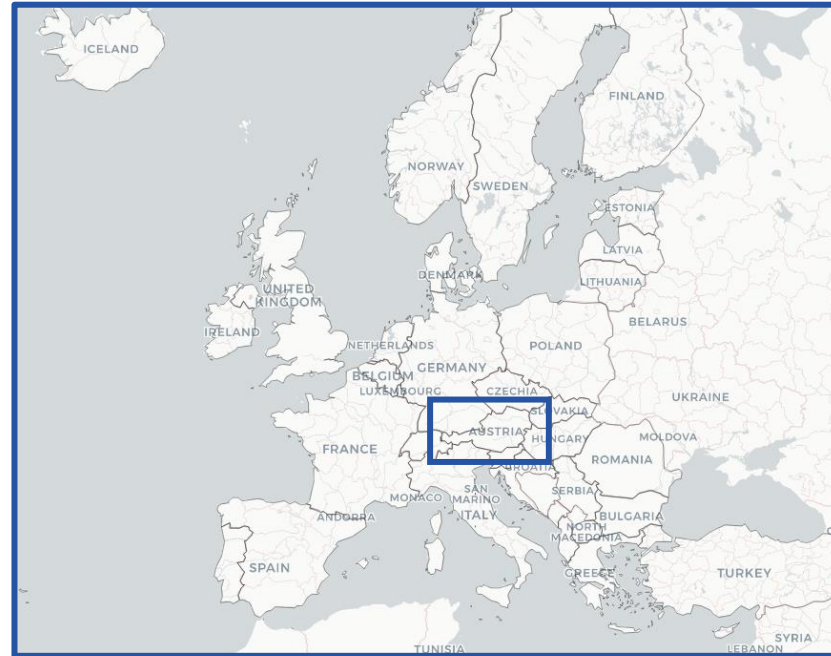
Ground Truth -
Plot Locations

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Dynamic Time Warping

- Measure of dissimilarity between time series
  - Classification
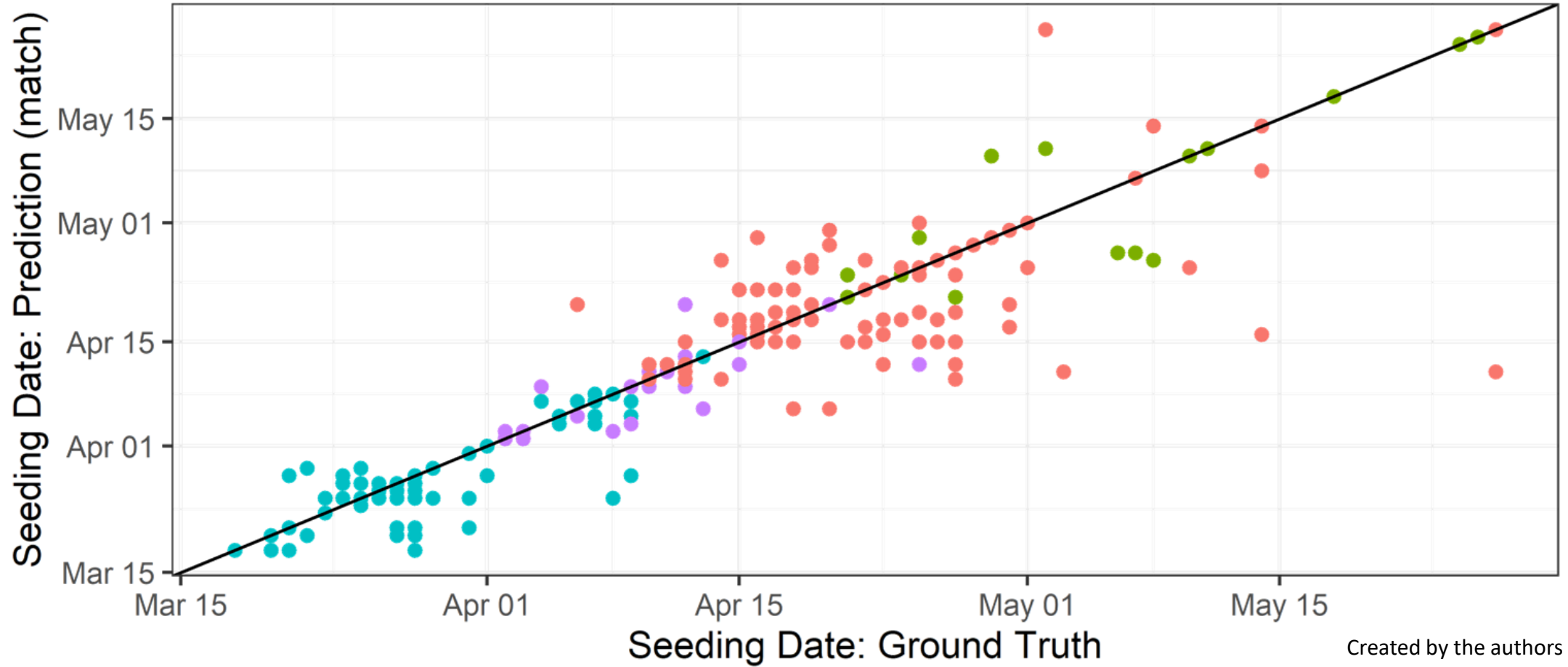 - Clustering

- Different speeds

Dynamic Time Warping Matching

Euclidean Matching

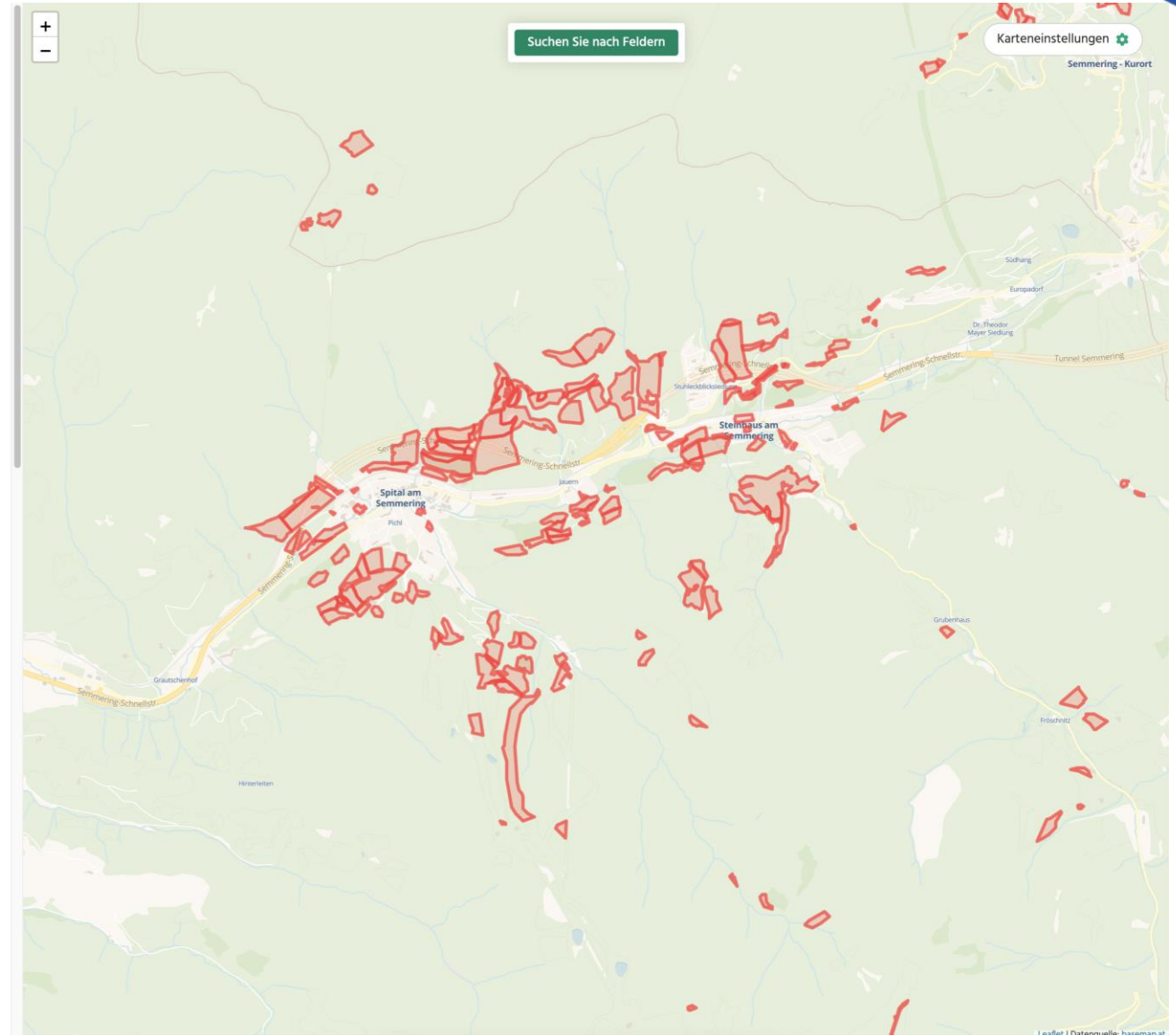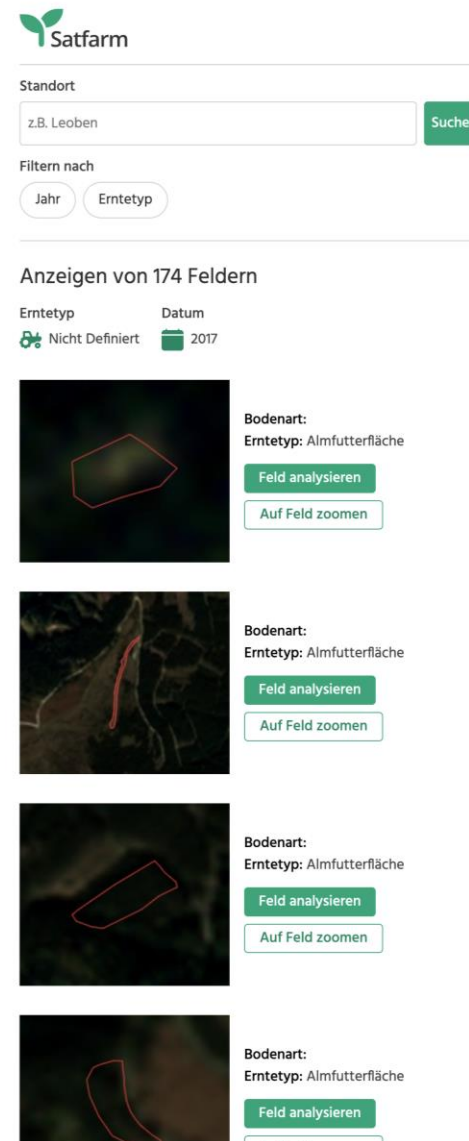Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Euclidean_vs_DTW.jpg

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Prediction – ground truth plot for various crops;
root mean squared error: 5.12 days

SATFARM – Services platform

- Online Tool for:
  - Farmers
  - Policymakers
- Working Prototype
  - Lower Austria
- Common Remote Sensing Indices

Screenshot of the Satfarm Services platform prototype

SATFARM – Services platform

- Browse and compare fields
  - Crop type
  - Soil type
  - Cover crop
  - Seeding Date
- Planned:
  - Tillage
  - Crop rotation

Screenshot of the Satfarm Services platform prototype

Thank you, EGU!

I am happy to answer any questions.

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