

Raster Data: II

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Objectives

- By the end of today, you should be able to:
 - Use moving windows as a means of smoothing raster data
 - Reclassify data using conditional statements and reclassification tables
 - Use raster math as a means of creating new data based on an existing dataset.

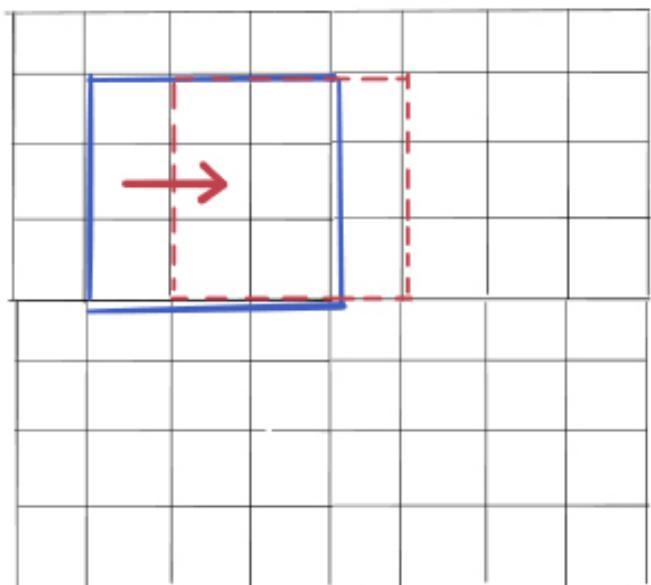
Moving Windows

Why use moving windows?

- To create new data that reflects “neighborhood” data
- To smooth out values
- To detect (and fill) holes or edges
- Change the thematic scale of your data (without changing resolution)

What is a moving window?

Sliding Window Operations



Inside the **window** the center cell is replaced by the a weighted sum of its neighbors. Calculations are repeated as the **window slides** across the remaining cells.

Implementing Moving Windows in R

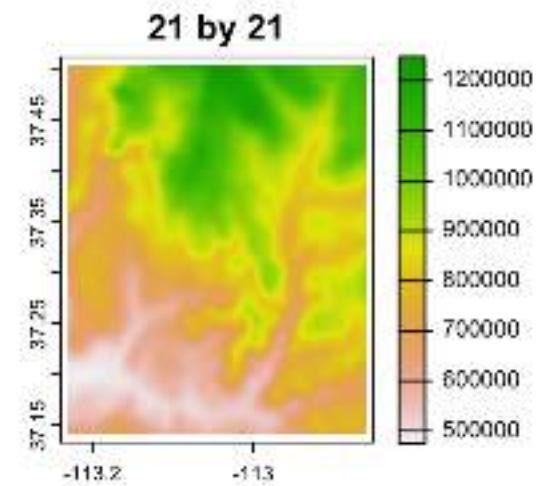
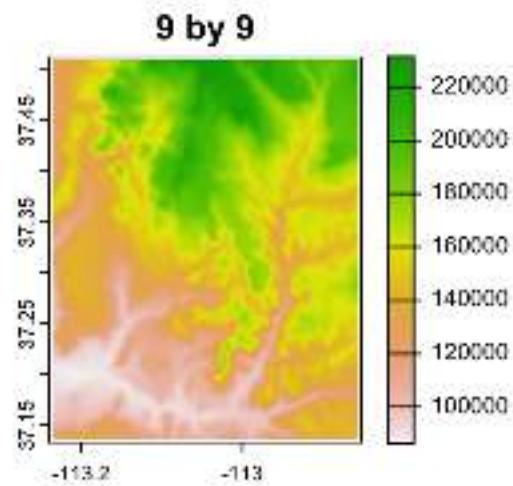
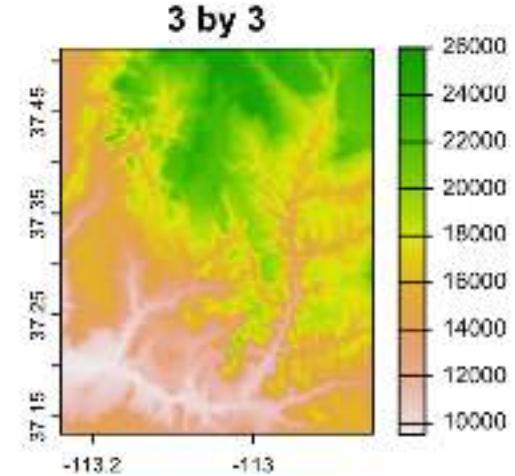
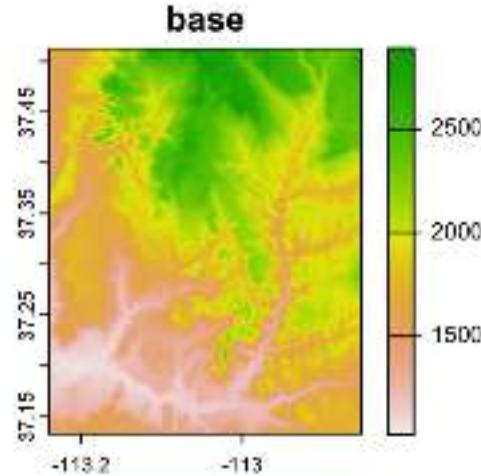
- Use the `focal` function in `terra`

```
focal(x, w=3, fun="sum", ...,
na.policy="all", fillvalue=NA,
expand=FALSE, silent=TRUE, filename="",
overwrite=FALSE, wopt=list())
```

focal for Continuous Rasters

```
1 library(tidyverse)
2 library(terra)
3 library(spData)
4 srtm = rast(system.file("raster/srtm.tif", package = "spDataLarge"))
5 srtm3 <- focal(x = srtm, w = 3)
6 srtm9 <- focal(x = srtm, w = 9)
7 srtm21 <- focal(x = srtm, w = 21)
```

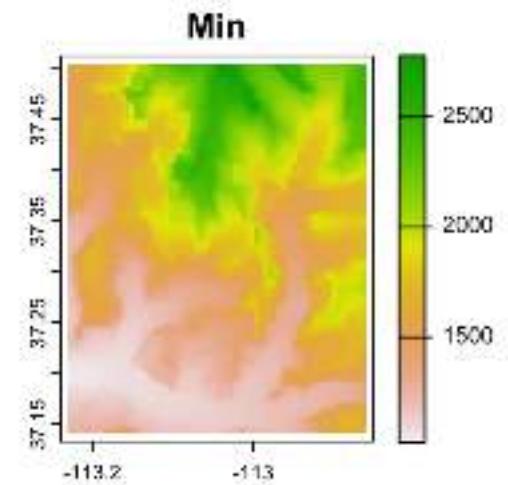
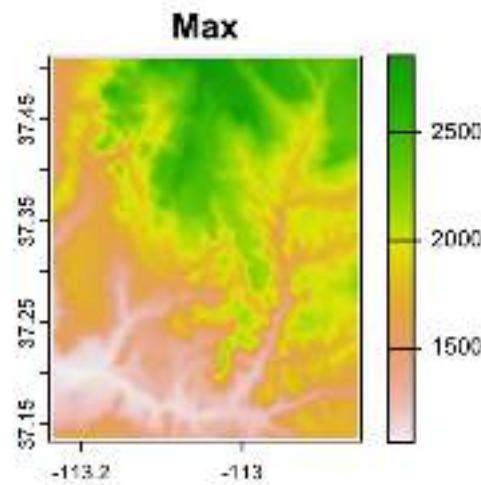
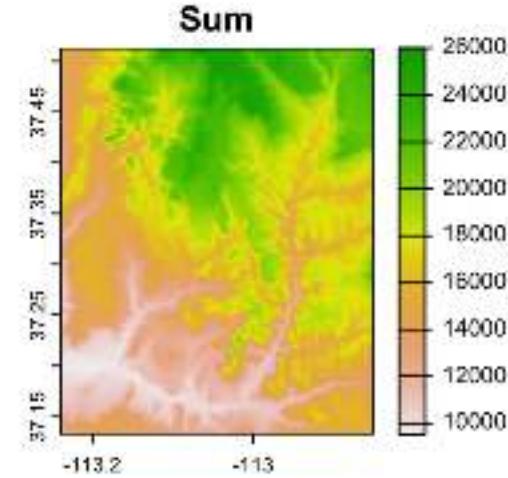
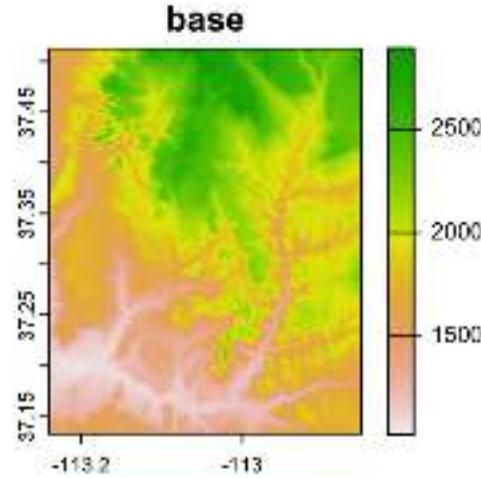
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```
1 srtmsum <- focal(x = srtm, w = 3, fun="sum")
2 srtmmax <- focal(x = srtm, w = 9, fun="mean")
3 srtmmin <- focal(x = srtm, w = 21, fun="min")
```

focal for Continuous Rasters



focal for Continuous Rasters

- can alter the size and shape of window by providing a weights matrix for **w**
- Can create different custom functions for **fun** (see the help file)
- **na.policy** for filling holes or avoiding them

Reclassification

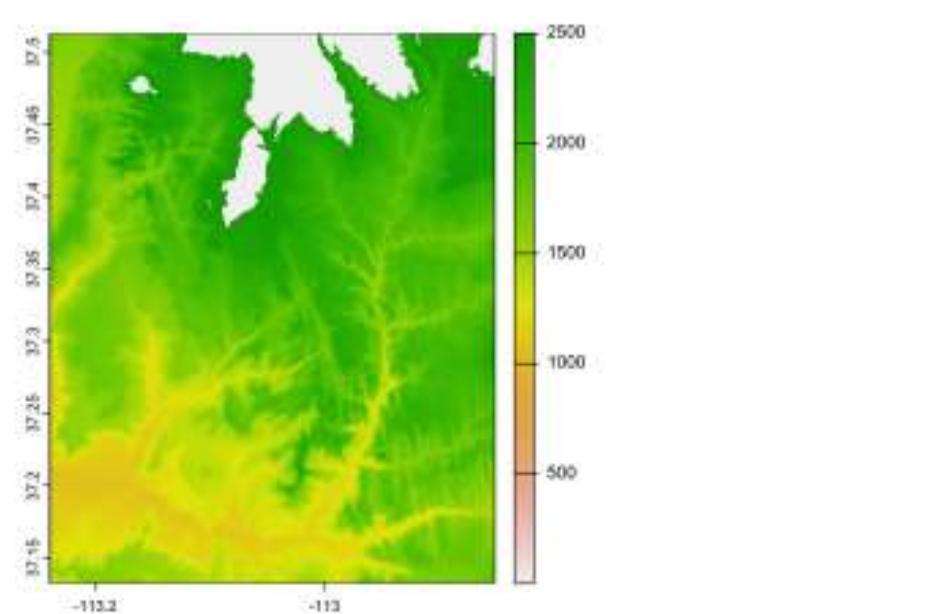
Reclassification

- Create new data based on the presence of a particular class(es) of interest
- Combine classes in a categorical map
- Useful as inputs for overlay analyses

Reclassifying rasters in R

- Using [] and conditionals

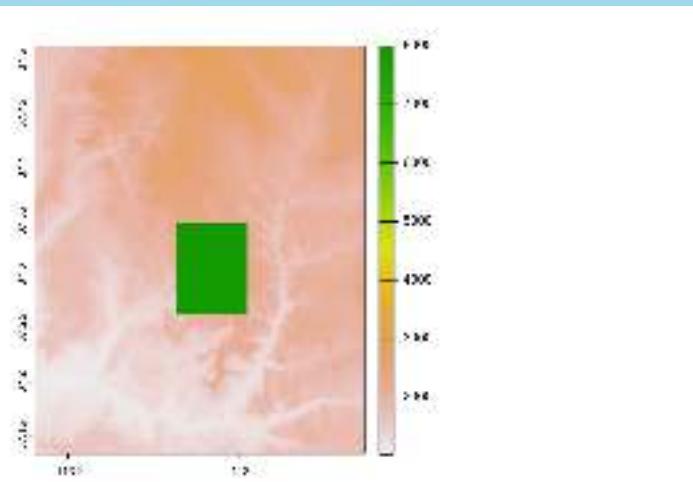
```
1 srtm = rast(system.file("raster/srtm.tif", package = "spDataLarge"))
2 srtm.lowelev <- srtm
3 srtm.lowelev[srtm.lowelev > 2500] <- 1
4 plot(srtm.lowelev)
```



Reclassifying rasters in R

- Using [] and conditionals

```
1 srtm = rast(system.file("raster/srtm.tif", package = "spDataLarge"))
2
3
4 srtm.na <- srtm
5 srtm.na[200:300, 200:300] <- NA
6 srtm.na[is.na(srtm.na)] <- 8000
7 plot(srtm.na)
```

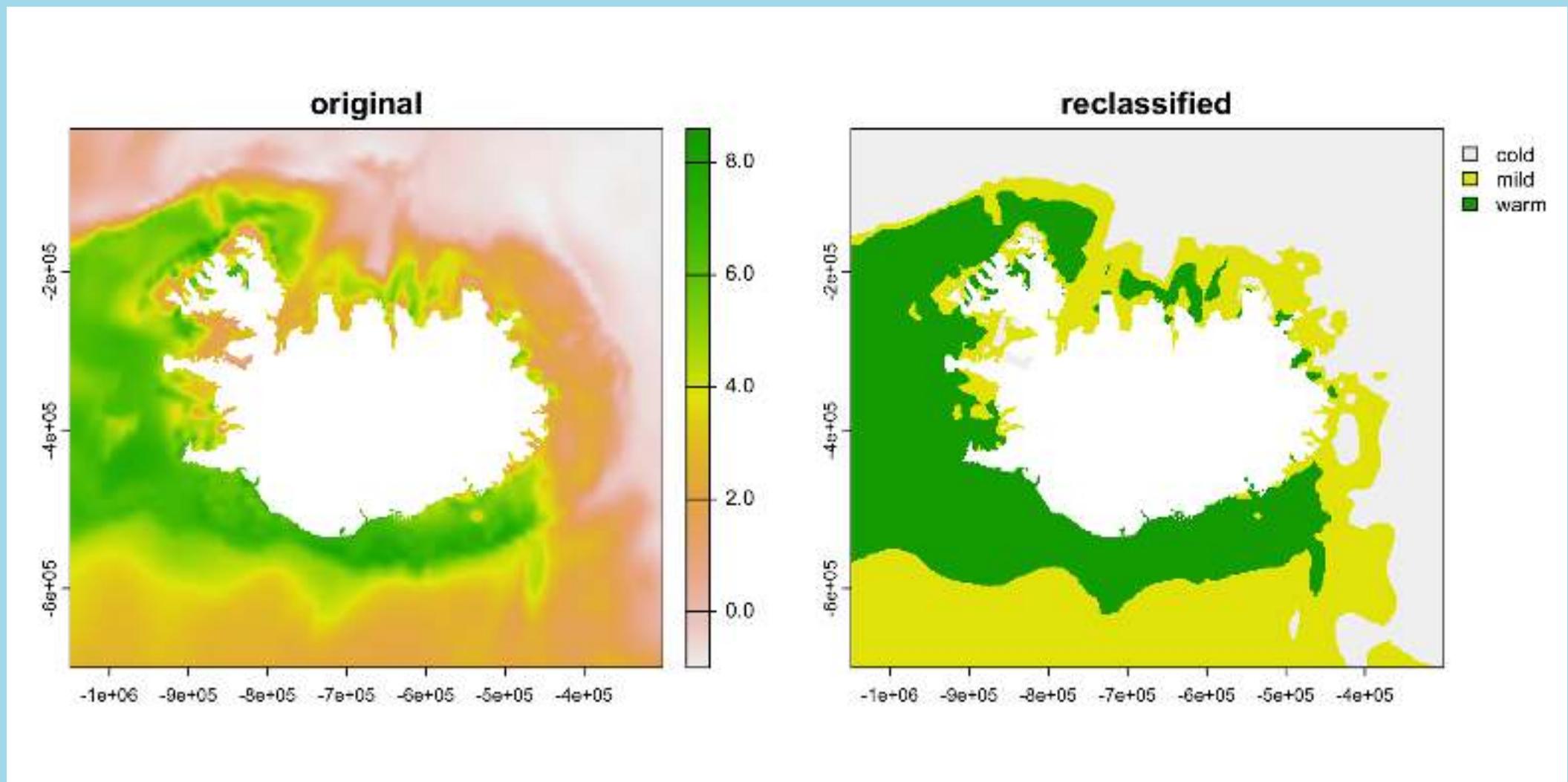


Reclassifying Categorical Rasters

- Need a classification matrix
- Use `classify`

```
1 mintemp <- rast("ftp://ftp.hafro.is/pub/data/rasters/Iceland_minbtemp.tif")
2 cm <- matrix(c(
3   -2, 2, 0,
4   2, 4, 1,
5   4, 10, 2), ncol = 3, byrow = TRUE)
6
7 # Create a raster with integers
8 temp_reclass <- classify(mintemp, cm)
9 tempcats <- c("cold", "mild", "warm")
10 levels(temp_reclass) <- tempcats
```

Reclassifying Categorical Rasters

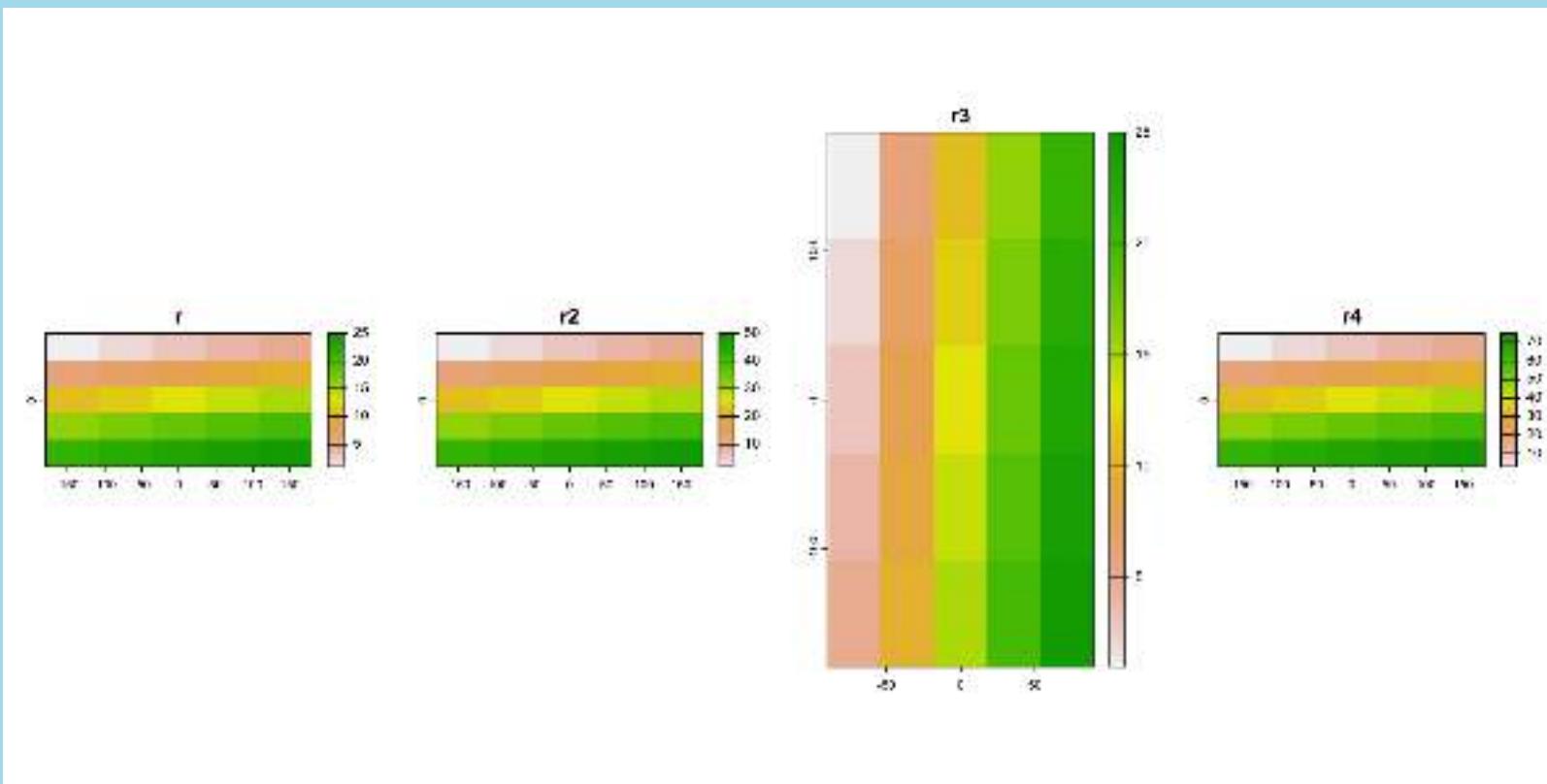


Raster Math

- Performs cell-wise calculations on 1 (or more) **SpatRasters**
- Generally works the same as matrix operations
- All layers must be aligned

Raster Math

```
1 r <- rast(ncol=5, nrow=5)
2 values(r) <- 1:ncell(r)
3 r2 <- r*2
4 r3 <- t(r)
5 r4 <- r + r2
```



Cell-wise operations

- `terra` has a special set of `apply` functions
- `app`, `lapp`, `tapp`
- `app` applies a function to the values of each cell
- `lapp` applies a function using the layer as the value
- `tapp` applies the function to a subset of layers

Context-specific Functions

- **distance** and relatives are based on relationships between cells
- **terrain** allows calculation of slope, ruggedness, aspect using elevation rasters
- **shade** calculates hillshade based on terrain

