Analysis of Land Surface Temperature in Brno Region

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Motivation

Are we able to detect any signal of higher temperatures within a city compared to its neighborhoods?

- *Urban* build-up areas can be considered as a **hierarchical system** of several levels.
- Such system is typical with a **considerable** temporal and spatial **differentiation** of fields of meteorological elements.
- Data of different resolution in time and space can be successfully used to analyze spatial and temporal variability of climate in urban environment.

Project no. 205/09/1297 *Multilevel analysis of the urban and suburban climate taking medium-sized towns as an example* (2009-2012)
UHI as an example of multilevel approach

1. Boundary layer urban heat island
2. Canopy Layer urban heat island
3. Surface urban heat island

(adapted from Oke 1976)

Methods of remote sensing

Special-purpose measurements
Air temperature variability
69 days (DJF 4, MAM 19, JJA 35, SON 11) with „radiation“ weather type in the period 1 Jan. 2009 – 31 Jul. 2010

- In winter urban stations are all day 1–2 °C warmer compared to rural stations
- Maximum temperature occurs 1–1.5 hr earlier at urban stations
- Temperature differences between urban and rural stations show a clear daily cycle with maximum at mid-day (more than 2°C in summer).
- Urban – rural T differences are minimal in morning (7–8) and evening (17–19 hours).
Land Surface Temperatures - LST

Digital Numbers

DN = f(LST)
Data description

- LANDSAT 7 satellite
- Scanner ETM+
- date 24 May 2001
- time 9:35:02 GMT
- Thermal band 10.4–12.5 μm
- Spatial resolution 60 m

Typical radiation type of weather

Synoptic situation NEa

\[ T_{\text{min}} = 8.4^\circ C \quad T_{\text{max}} = 23.3^\circ C \quad T_{\text{mean}} = 17.6^\circ C \quad T_{\text{ground min}} = 5.0^\circ C \]
LST derivation from LANDSAT data

\[ L_{\text{sensor}, \lambda} = \left[ \varepsilon_\lambda B_\lambda(T_s) + (1 - \varepsilon_\lambda)L_{\text{atm}, \lambda} \right] \tau_\lambda + L_{\text{atm}, \lambda} \]
Atmospheric correction

http://atmcorr.gsfc.nasa.gov/
(Barsi et al. 2005)

MODTRAN model provides following parameters:

• transmissivity
• upwelling radiance
• downwelling radiance

Atmospheric Correction Parameter Calculator

Date (yyyy-mm-dd): 2006-06-15
Input Lat/Long: 49.200/16.500
Profile lat/long: 49.000/16.000
GMT Time: 9:35

L5 Spectral Response Curve from handbook
Mid-latitude summer standard atmosphere
User input surface conditions
Surface altitude (km): -999.000
Surface pressure (mb): -999.000
Surface temperature (C): -999.000
Surface relative humidity (%): -999.000

Band average atmospheric transmission: 0.79
Effective bandpass upwelling radiance: 1.55 W/m^2/sr/um
Effective bandpass downwelling radiance: 2.54 W/m^2/sr/um
Emissivity correction

This is a weak point of mono window algorithms 😞

Emissivity values
(Snyder et al. 1998)

- water: 0.98
- bare ground: 0.97
- vegetation: 0.94
- built-up area: 0.925

Emissivity correction

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Snyder et al. 1998
Land Surface Temperatures, Brno, 15 June 2006
LST of different land cover types

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<th>Land Cover Type</th>
<th>Mean Temperature (°C)</th>
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<td>urban</td>
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<td>rural</td>
<td>μ = 28.5 °C</td>
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<td>build-up area</td>
<td>μ = 34.6 °C</td>
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<td>bare ground</td>
<td>μ = 33.8 °C</td>
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<td>water</td>
<td>μ = 22.46 °C</td>
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[Box plot diagram showing temperature distributions for different land cover types]
LST for different types of built-up area
Other RS data - „multispectral“ algorithms

- TERRA satellite
- scanner ASTER
- date 2 April 2002
- time 9:57:53 GMT
- 5 thermal bands (10-14)
  - wavelengths 8.125–11.65 µm
- spatial resolution 90 m

Synoptic situation SEa

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\begin{align*}
T_{\text{min}} & = 7.8^\circ C \\
T_{\text{max}} & = 16.8^\circ C \\
T_{\text{mean}} & = 11.3^\circ C \\
T_{\text{ground min}} & = 6.4^\circ C
\end{align*}
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LST derivation from ASTER data
Land Surface Temperatures, Brno, 2 April 2002
Summary

- Different approaches for construction of LST fields have been tested using ETM+ and ASTER thermal imagery.

- LSTs in urban areas can reach 35 - 50 °C. However, LST of areas with a dense vegetation cover vary around 25 °C (based on 6 different satellite scenes acquired from April to September).

- LSTs of industrial areas and large shopping centers are significantly higher compared to other build-up areas.

- LSTs of bare ground in southern part of the study area are comparable to those of urban surfaces.

- Two different data sources and two different methods provide very similar spatial distribution of LST within a city centre.
Outlook

Various parameters derived from 3D model of buildings and from Digital Elevation Model explain spatial variability of land surface temperatures.
Thank you for your attention