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ABSTRACT

The study area is focused on the Mariana Trench, west Pacific Ocean. The research aim is to investigate correlation between various factors, such as bathymetric depths, geomorphic shape, geographic location on four tectonic plates of the sampling points along the trench, and their influence on the geologic sediment thickness. Technically, the advantages of applying Python programming language for oceanographic data sets were tested. The methodological approaches include GIS data collecting, data analysis, statistical modelling, plotting and visualizing. Statistical methods include several algorithms that were tested: 1) weighted least square linear regression between geological variables, 2) autocorrelation; 3) design matrix, 4) ordinary least square regression, 5) quantile regression. The spatial and statistical analysis of the correlation of these factors aimed at the understanding, which geological and geodetic factors affect the distribution of the steepness and shape of the trench. Following factors were analysed: geology (sediment thickness), geographic location of the trench on four tectonics plates: Philippines, Pacific, Mariana and Caroline and bathymetry along the profiles: maximal and mean, minimal values, as well as the statistical calculations of the 1st and 3rd quantiles. The study revealed correlations between the sediment thickness and distinct variations of the trench geomorphology and sampling locations across various segments along the crescent of the trench.

Keywords: Programming language, Python, Statistical analysis, Pacific Ocean, Hadal trenches, Mariana Trench, oceanology, marine geology

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INTRODUCTION

Multiple approaches and GIS methods have been used so far to model ocean seafloor, the most unreachable part of the Earth. These include echo sounding (Smith, & Sandwell, 1997), CTD (conductivity-temperature-depth profiler) technique (Taira et al., 2005), acoustic methods, continual profiling with single-beam systems and bottom coverage capability, multi-beam swath-mapping systems (Dierssen, & Theberge, 2014), classic approaches of the GIS mapping and other tools of geoinformatics (Fujie et al., 2006), remote sensing images analysis, navigation charts and data modelling using schematic cross-sections of the subduction zones (e.g. Schellart, 2008), statistical modelling using R and packages, e.g. dplyr, ggplot2, PMCMR, car (Reid et al., 2018). Of all these, statistical modelling of the oceanological data sets by means of R and Python programming languages is the most cost-effective for investigating hadal trench geomorphology.

Various studies have been reported on the geologic variations of the Mariana Trench involving uneven distribution of various geomorphic phenomena across the seafloor (e.g., Michibayashi et al., 2007; Grand et al., 1997). Amongst these, the questions of how the trench shape is varies and what are the factors affective its geomorphology are the most challenging in view of the importance of the deep ocean segments for the whole ocean environment. The distribution of elevations on the Earth or hypsography is highly uneven. Thus, the majority of the depths is occupied by deep basins (4-6.5 km) while relatively few areas are covered by shallow zones. At the same time, a considerable pool of resources is hidden by the ocean depths which explains the actuality of the ocean research for the national economies. The limitations in marine geological methods are imposed by the high cost of the actual cruise marine expeditions. Using available open source geodata sets have removed this problem by the use of low-cost geospatial data and their processing in GIS and open source programming language R and Python. Similarly, Python based statistical set of libraries, such as NumPy, SciPy, StastModels, and Matplotlib statistical package present effective low-cost and easily available method for the marine oceanological data processing and modelling.

Regional studies of the marine geology of the trenches across the Pacific Ocean (e.g., Bello-González et al., 2018; Boston et al., 2017), modelling and predictions made upon analysis of the geophysical settings of various trench, produced by these investigators were instrumental in understanding current issues of the marine geological studies. The concepts of these reports on seafloor spreading, tectonic slab subduction, continental drift, and plate tectonics in the Pacific Ocean were analysed in the current research.

STUDY AREA AND DATA

The study area is located in the Mariana Trench, west Pacific Ocean, where the deepest place of the Earth is recorded (Theberge, 2008).

The geomorphology of the Mariana Trench was studied through the spatial and statistical analysis of the 25 cross-section bathymetric profiles digitized across the trench. Each profile has a length of 1000 km and a distance between each two is 100 km. The methodology consists of two parts: geospatial data processing and statistical analysis.

First, during the geospatial part of the research, the data were collected from the Quantum GIS project as vector layers. The attribute tables contained numerical data on bathymetry, geology, tectonic plates and geometric features of the Mariana Trench in its various segments of the geographic location: north-west, centre, south-west.

Second, during the statistical part of the research, the table in .csv format was then read into the Python environment using Pandas package. The profiles were observed using methods of the statistical modelling performed by Python programming language. During the statistical testing and experiment, several existing approaches (Box, & Tiao, 1992; Timm, 2007; Oliphant, 2007; Oliphant, 2015; Lemenkova, 2019) provided by the Python StatsModel and Matplotlib libraries were used as the core algorithms described below.

METHODOLOGY

Design matrix and model fit summary by the Ordinary Least Squares

The variables of geologic interest were stored in the table consisting of 18 rows where numeric information describes geology, bathymetry, geodesy and tectonics of the Mariana Trench. To fit most of the models covered by StatsModels Python library, the design or regressor matrix was created using existing approaches (Everitt, 2002; Box, & Tiao, 1992; Millman & Aivazis, 2011). The

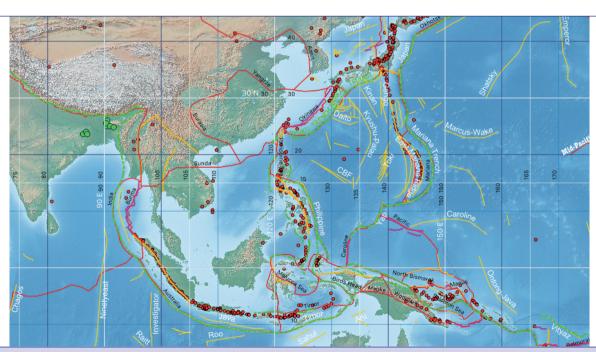


Figure 1. Study area: Mariana Trench, west Pacific Ocean (Source: author, QGIS project).

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Table 1. Python code for design matrix 'dmatrices' (left) and OLS computation by StatsModels of Python (right), Mariana Trench data frame.

first is a matrix of endogenous variables of sediment thickness, which show the response or geological regressand on changed environmental conditions: geographic location, depth or tectonic plate.

The design matrix (Table 1, left) shows the results of the first six lines representing values of explanatory variables in a set of geological attributes, Mariana Trench.

The computing of the Ordinary Least Square (OLS) was based on the formula (1):

$$b_{j} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \bar{x})(y_{i} - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \bar{x})}$$
(1)

Where,

n is the sample size;

x is a constant and a scalar regressor;

y is a random regressor, sampled together with x;

h is the number of lags being tested;

Each row of the calculated OLS coefficient estimates (Table 1, right) shows an individual bathymetric profile with the successive columns corresponding to the geologic and oceanographic variables and their specific values across the profiles.

Quantile statistics (QQ)

The used algorithm is very straightforward with a selected function of qqplot() by StatsModels to perform this task. The QQ regression is a common abbreviation for 'quantile by quantile' statistical plot. The plot shows (Figure 2) one quantile against another across various geological parameters (from left to right): A) Sediment thickness; B) Slope angle degrees; C) Pacific Plate; D); Philippine Plate E) Mariana Plate; F) Distribution of samples of igneous volcanic areas.

Technically, the plotting was performed using following code of Python for each corresponding plot:

ax1.plt = qqplot(df.sedim_thick, line='q',
ax=ax1, fit=True,
linewidth=.5, alpha=.5, markerfacecolor='#00a497',
markeredgecolor='grey',)

The QQ statistics calculation has been based on the following formula (2) after Ljung, & Box (1978):

$$Q = n(n+2)\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{I_{k}^{2}}{(n-k)}$$
 (2)

Where.

n is the sample size;

rho is the sample autocorrelation at lag *k*, and *h* is the number of lags being tested.

The comparison of all the six subplots enables to analyse the form of their shape against a straight line. The quantiles are bathymetric sample observations with geologic attribute values placed in the ascending order. The QQ statistics are used over the pool of the sampling data to study their distribution. A QQ statistic is a visual representation of the quantiles of a standard normal distribution of the geological data set across the Mariana Trench, showing their variation in space.

Weighted Least Squares

A Weighted Least Squares (WLS) for the geological variables are shown on Figure 3. The approach of a weighted least squares is a standard approach in regression analysis to approximate the solution of overdetermined systems which is the case for the complex marine geological systems. The least squares algorithms has two sub-types: linear or ordinary least squares and nonlinear least squares. In the scope of this research, only the linear least squares were tested: ordinary least squares and weight-

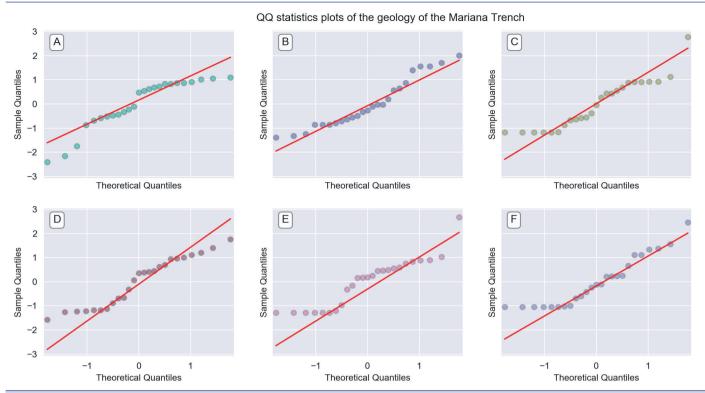


Figure 2. Plotted QQ statistics for the data distribution: A) Sediment thickness; B) Slope angle degrees; C) Pacific Plate; D); Philippine Plate E) Mariana Plate; F) Volcanic spots.

ed least square which is a generalization of the first one. In this case, the off-diagonal entries of the correlation matrix of the geological residuals are null the variances of the observations, yet unequal along the covariance matrix.

A WLS is a statistical approach representing a special case of the generalized least squares.

The calculation is based on the principle of the Gauss–Newton algorithm that solves a non-linear least squares problem by modifying a Newton's method for finding a minimum of a function. The computation was based on the general approach of existing equation (after Björck, 1996):

$$J^{\mathsf{T}} W J \Delta \beta = J^{\mathsf{T}} W \Delta y \tag{3}$$

Where

W is a diagonal when the observational errors are uncorrelated and the weight matrix;

J(t) is a transposed Jacobian matrix;

 $\ensuremath{\mathtt{B}}$ are unbiased estimators as linear column vectors, the entries of the Jacobian matrix;

y is a vector of the response values.

The calculations of the WLS for the data set (Table 2) were done according to the reported procedures (Seabold & Perktold, 2010; Strutz, T. (2016) by Python code snippet:

```
# Step-1.
mod_wls = sm.WLS(y, X, weights=1./(w ** 2))
```

```
res wls = mod wls.fit()
print(res wls.summary())
       # Step-2.
res ols = sm.OLS(y, X).fit()
print(res ols.params)
print(res wls.params)
       # Step-3.
se = np.vstack([[res wls.bse], [res ols.bse],
[res ols.HC0 se],
                 [res_ols.HC1_se], [res_ols.HC2_
se], [res ols.HC3 se]])
se = np.round(se, 4)
colnames = ['x1', 'const']
rownames = ['WLS', 'OLS', 'OLS HC0', 'OLS HC1',
'OLS HC3', 'OLS HC3']
tabl = SimpleTable(se, colnames, rownames, txt
fmt=default txt fmt)
print(tabl)
```

Quantile regressions

Quantile regression shows (Figure 4) the estimated conditional median and other quantiles of the response geological variables. Thus the upper two rows of the plot show (Figure 4, A, B, C, D) data distribution across tectonic plates: Pacific Plate, Philippine Plate, Mariana Plate and Caroline Plate. The lower row of the plot (Figure 4, E, F) shows data distribution for the cumulative sediment thickness and slope angle degree by profiles.

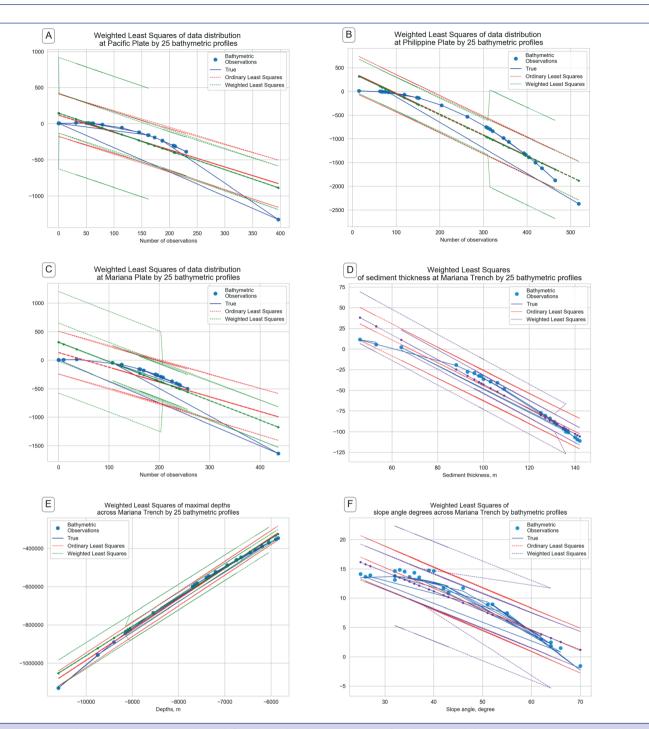


Figure 3. Weighted Least Squares plotted for data distribution: A) Pacific Plate, B) Philippine Plate, C) Mariana Plate, D) Sediment thickness, E) Depths (max); F) Slope angle degree.

The quantile regressions were plotted (Figure 4) using Python code by StatsModel:

```
# Step-1. Least Absolute Deviation
mod = smf.quantreg('profile ~ slope_angle', data)
res = mod.fit(q=.5)
print(res.summary())
# Step-2. Placing the quantile regression
```

```
results in a Pandas DataFrame, and the OLS
results in a dictionary
quantiles = np.arange(.05, .96, .1)
def fit_model(q):
    res = mod.fit(q=q)
    return [q, res.params['Intercept'], res.
params['slope_angle']] + res.conf_
int().loc['slope angle'].tolist()
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Table 2. Computed results of the WLS modelling for the data distribution by plates: A) Pacific; B) Philippine; C) Mariana; D) Sediment thickness; E) Depths; F) Slope angle.

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Results of the computations for the quantile regression for sediment thickness versus geologic parameters: A) Pacific Plate, B) Philippine Plate, C) Mariana Plate, D) Caroline Plate, E) Cumulative sediment thickness and F) Slope angle degree by profiles.

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models = [fit_model(x) for x in quantiles]
                                                                                          ols = dict(a = ols.params['Intercept'],
                                                                                                              b = ols.params['slope angle'],
models = pd.DataFrame(models, columns=['q', 'a',
'b','lb','ub'])
                                                                                                              lb = ols ci[0],
ols = smf.ols('profile ~ slope angle', data).fit()
                                                                                                              ub = ols ci[1])
             = ols.conf int().loc['slope angle'].
                                                                                          print(models)
tolist()
                                                                                          print(ols)
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                     Mariana Trench: Quantile regression of sediment thickness at Mariana Plate by 25 bathymetric profiles
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                                Sediment thickness at Mariana Plate, m
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                         Mariana Trench: Quantile regression for all the data set
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                                                                                                           of slope angles by 25 bathymetric profiles
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Figure 4. Quantile regression plotted for sediment thickness (m) versus geologic parameters: A) Pacific Plate, B) Philippine Plate, C) Mariana Plate, D) Caroline Plate, E) Cumulative sediment thickness and F) Slope angle degree by profiles.

Sediment thickness, m

Essentially, quantile regression is another approach of the linear regression tested in the current research. The quantitative results of the quantile regression are shown on Table 3, with respect to the relevant plots shown on Figure 4 (corresponding to Figure 4: A, B, C, D, E, F).

Dynamic regression model: State Autoregressive Moving Average (SARIMA)

The methodology of the dynamic regression model is based on the StatsModels embedded algorithm (Seabold & Perktold, 2010).

The abbreviation of SARIMA is the Space AutoRegressIve Moving Average model, initially developed by Ansley & Kohn, (1985). The concept of the application of the SARIMA time series estimation and post-estimation lies in the following. The changes in the variables that are taken as time lags in classic dynamic regression models are applied towards bathymetric profiles from 1 to 25. In this way, unlike in time series case when the SARIMA fits the univariate models with time-dependent disturbances, this case applies space-dependent disturbances, crossing the sampling selection from 1 to 25 (X axe).

Because the model includes both dependent and independent variables, the selected type of SARIMA was SARIMAX (see the Python code snippet below). The first group consists in changing variables that is geologic settings and bathymetry (depths). The

second group (independent variables) is presented by the profiles lags that cross the Mariana Trench with the distance between each of 100 km and the length of 1000 km. This cross-section profiles are taken as independent variables. Therefore, the dependent variables differ spatially in different segments of the trench.

The model (Figure 5) fits univariate model of the geomorphic structure of the trench by independent values of the distribution of the bathymetric observation by profiles with dependent disturbances of depths.

Fitting the model was done using the Python snippet:

```
mod = sm.tsa.statespace.SARIMAX(data['sedim_
thick'], trend='c', order=(1,1,1))
res = mod.fit(disp=False)
print(res.summary())
fig = sm.graphics.tsa.plot_pacf(data.iloc[1:]
['Ddf.geology'], lags=25, ax=axes[1])
```

The algorithm fits a model where the disturbances follow a linear specification of the bathymetric distribution across the trench. The dependent and independent geological variables vary by profiles (Figure 5). Plotting was done using sublplot function of Matplotlib:

fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(15,8))

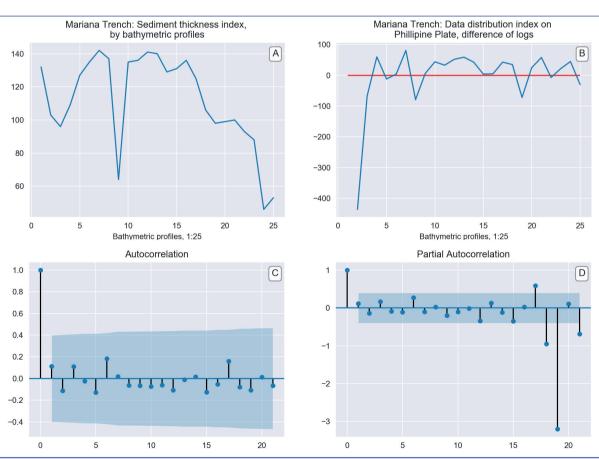


Figure 5. Plotted SARIMAX statistics for the bathymetry: A) Sediment thickness index; B) Data distribution index, Philippine Plate; C) Autocorrelation; D); Partial Autocorrelation.

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d.fit(disp=false) ss.summary()) ep-3. Dataset	Sample:		- 2	0 HQI0 5			226.604
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commented j = duct processor j.u.r() = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(15,4)) cot(data.index.mpl.ren(2), data['sedim_thick'], '-')		coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
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difference	sigma2	495.4968		2.504	0.012	107.625	883.369
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<pre>xlabel('Bathymetric profiles, 1:25', fontsize=10) (title='Mariana Trench: Data distribution index on \nPhillipine Plate, difference of logs');</pre>	Ljung-Box (Q):		18.06	Jarque-Bera	(JB):	4.2
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Table 4. Python programming code for used SARIMAX algorithm (left) and Statespace Model Results (right). Tested case in Mariana Trench tectonics: sediment thickness across Philippine Plate.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The conducted statistical data modelling and several types of the regression analysis were aimed to compare the variance in the geological data sets of the Mariana Trench explained by the complex interplay of the geomorphic, geological and oceanological attributes of the data and the bathymetric factors of the location of several segments of the trench in various parts of the Pacific Ocean. Using StatsModels library of Python, in particular several linear models of the correlation between various factors were computed, analysed and explained by the groups of variables.

Tested environmental variables of the Mariana Trench include four main geological factors (location on the tectonic plates, slope steepness degree, sediment thickness of the layer and bathymetric depth and submarine volcanism) and attributes of the 25 cross-section bathymetric profiles (mean values, maximal depths, median values and two quartile sub-division of the data sets) and the shared variances between environment and attributes. Shared variance arises due to correlations between the factor of sediment thickness and slope angle degree, e.g. because the attributes of the sediment accumulation are influenced by the canyon shape apart from the directly or indirectly depending on the oceanological conditions of the submarine currents.

The graphical output shows normal data distribution as demonstrated by (Figure 2), where each QQ profile has a given value for data distribution by quantiles across the trench profiles. The distribution of the geologic residuals is shown on Figure 3 showing particularly data correlation for several cases: frequency of the data distribution by Pacific Plate, Philippine Plate, Mariana Plate, sediment thickness, and range of the bathymetric depths taken for the maximal values, and finally, geomorphological shape as slope angle degree. The results shown on Table 2 represent the computed numerical values of the previous graph (Figure 3).

The results on the Quantile regression (Figure 4) show the conditional median of the response geologic variable given changing

bathymetric values with movement southwards across the Mariana Trench. Thus, the upper plots shows (Figure 4, A, B, C) data distribution across tectonic plates: Pacific Plate, Philippine Plate, Mariana Plate and Caroline Plate. The lower plot (Figure 4, D, E, F) shows data distribution for the Caroline Plate and cumulative sediment thickness and slope angle degree by profiles.

The numerical explanation of the Figure 4 with corresponding sub-plots is presented in Table 3. The Figure 5 shows dynamic regression model using Python function embedded in StatsModel: State Autoregressive Moving Average. Finally, Table 4 shows the Python code that was used to perform the procedure of SARI-MAX and the resulting output table. The model shows autocorrelation of the data by bathymetric profiles. The results demonstrated a correlation between the geological variables and geospatial location of the samplings across Mariana Trench, which proves the interplay between multiple factors affecting its geomorphology.

CONCLUSIONS

While the usage of the traditional methods of geoinformatics and spatial analysis is, beyond doubts, strongly recommended for any research in geoscience, there is another powerful tool for the geospatial data processing other than GIS, sometimes overlooked or skipped by the geographers: a data modelling by use of Python or R programming languages. Python, an open source free programming language is highly suitable for the statistical analysis in geoscience research, since it has a powerful statistical and math libraries, e.g. StatsModel, highly effective for scientific computing and used in the current research. The functionality of Python language and StatsModel, tested in this work, is proved to be highly effective for the statistical analysis of the geo-marine sets.

The proposed approach of the Python based statistical analysis enables accurate and efficient computation and modelling of the large data sets in marine geology and oceanology. A challenge in the evaluation of geological big data sets (that is, several thou-

sand of observation points as in this case, 12.590 samples) concerns the difficulty in manual identifying a correct algorithms in the computations and data distribution analysis.

The necessity to apply a precise machine learning algorithms is recently increased in geographic sciences with respect to the importance of choosing an effective method for data visualization and computation. The solutions to the mentioned above problems are provided by Pandas data frames: for example, optimizing structure of the data, selecting the correct parts from the whole data frame (columns, rows in the data arrays) and plotting. Based on the presented results, the application of Python programming language is strongly recommended in geoscience research as an addition to the traditional GIS methods.

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