High Resolution Phenology

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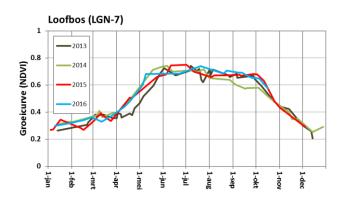




High Resolution Phenology

- Phenology
 - Biological perspective: periodic plant and animal behaviours
 - Remote sensing perspective: time series analysis

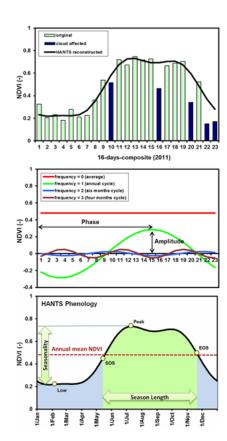








- Remote sensing phenology needs dense time series of satellite images
- So far only medium resolution (>250 m) phenology products exist (NOAA-AVHRR, MODIS, MERIS)
- Times series algorithms: Timesat, HANTS, B-FAST, ...
- Regional patterns





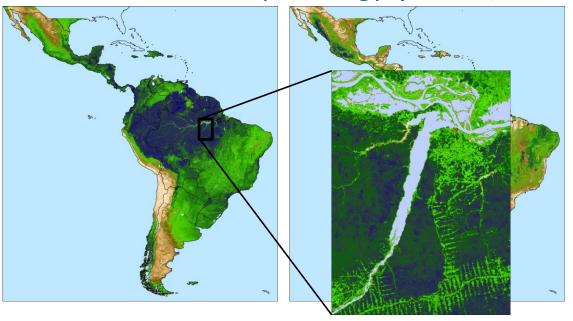


Level	Product	Description
1	Processed satellites images	Time series of VI images. Cloud/shadow free and atmospherically corrected
2	Standard phenology indicators	Start, End, Min, Max of season Season amplitude and length Min, Max, Mean greenness Productivity
3	Derived specific applications	Crop harvest, closure, start Tree greening No of mowing events





Medium resolution phenology (MODIS, HANTS)









- Medium → high resolution
- Regional → field level
- Game changer!!





New applications

Agriculture	Other
Grassland - Intensity - Mowing events - productivity	Forestry - Deforestation at tree level - Tree type mapping - Diseases
Cropland - Productivity/yield - No of growing seasons - Start/end of season - Green fertilizer applications	Water management - Flooding - Water logging - Wetland dynamics
Precision agriculture - Intra-field patterns and temporal changes	Urban - Greenness (urban heat island effect)

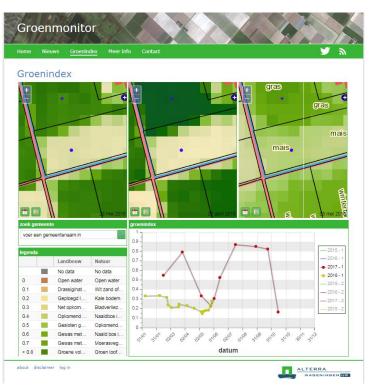
Agriculture: new tools to help but also to control farmers





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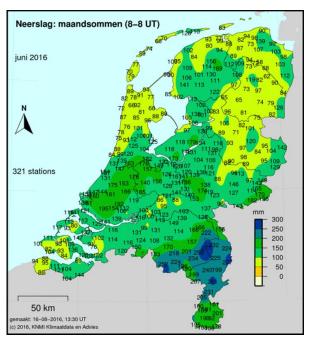
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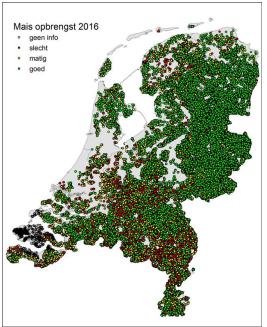






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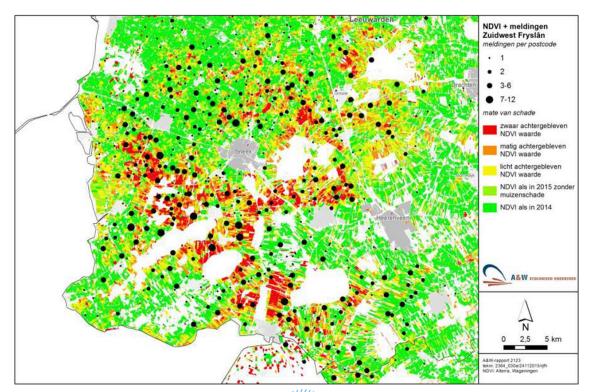








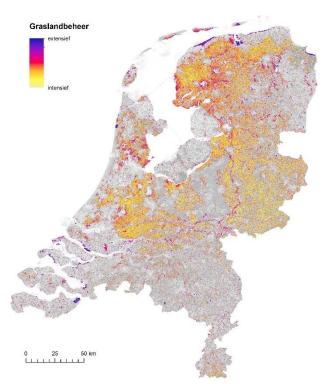
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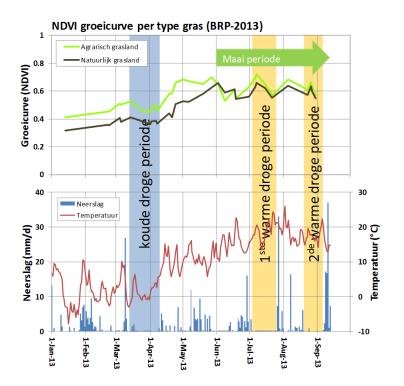






Grassland extensivity

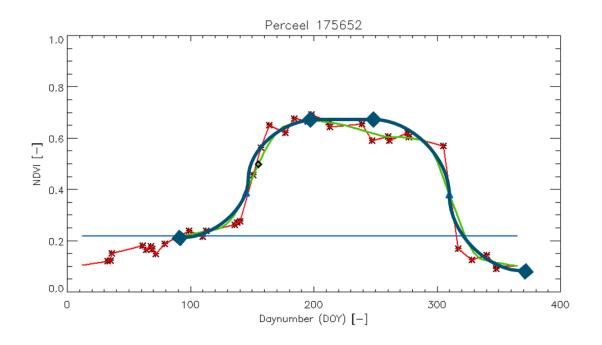








Growing season quantification







Copernicus

- Call for proposals is ready but on hold
- Technical challenges
 - Cloud and shadow screening
 - Big data smart processing solutions
 - Detection of abrupt changes (mowing, harvest, etc)
- Huge task
- Focus on new applications!
- SBIR supports but...





Copernicus

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