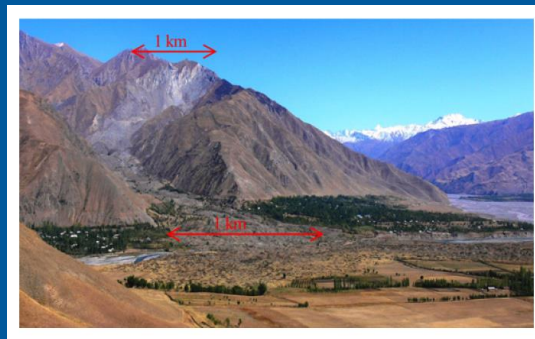


# Use of GIS for Landslide Susceptibility Mapping

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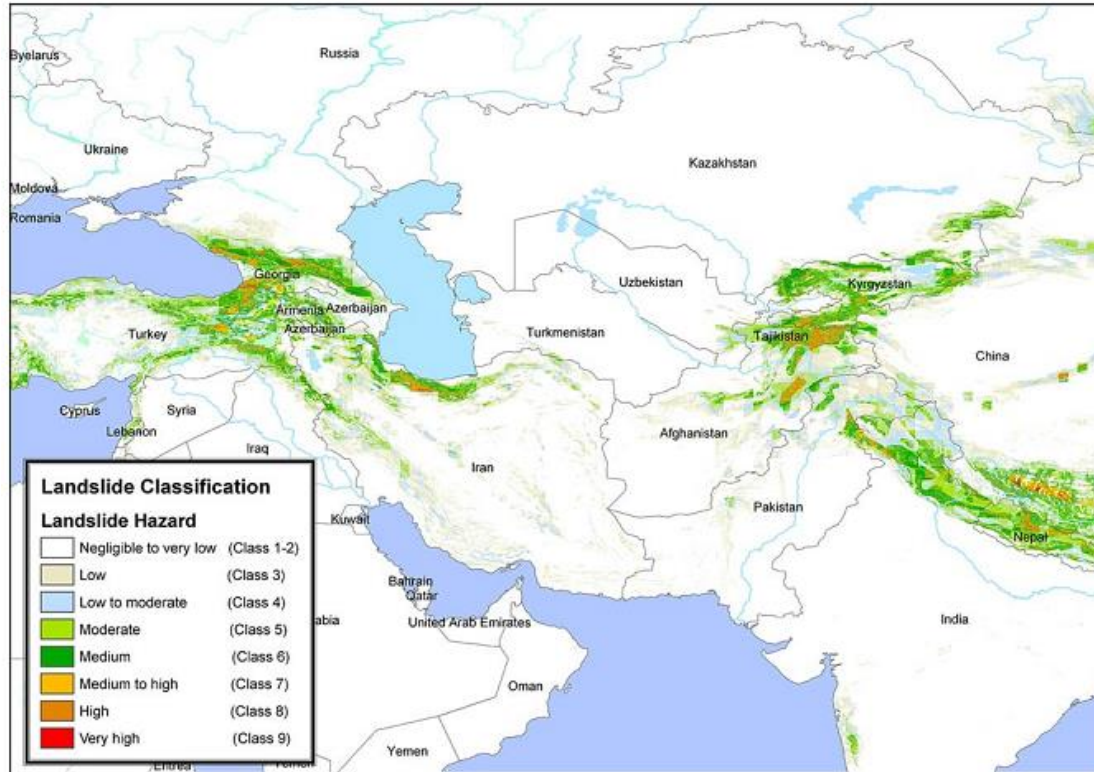
# Outline

- Introduction to the problem, the research question and objective
- How can GIS be used for landslide susceptibility mapping in Kyrgyzstan (Central Asia)
- Overview of GIS functionalities for spatial management of raster and vector layers
- Landslide susceptibility results and conclusions



(USGS, 2008)

# Central Asia: a global landslide hotspot



- The **high seismicity** of the area
- The presence of **high topographic relieves**
- The geology of **local materials**

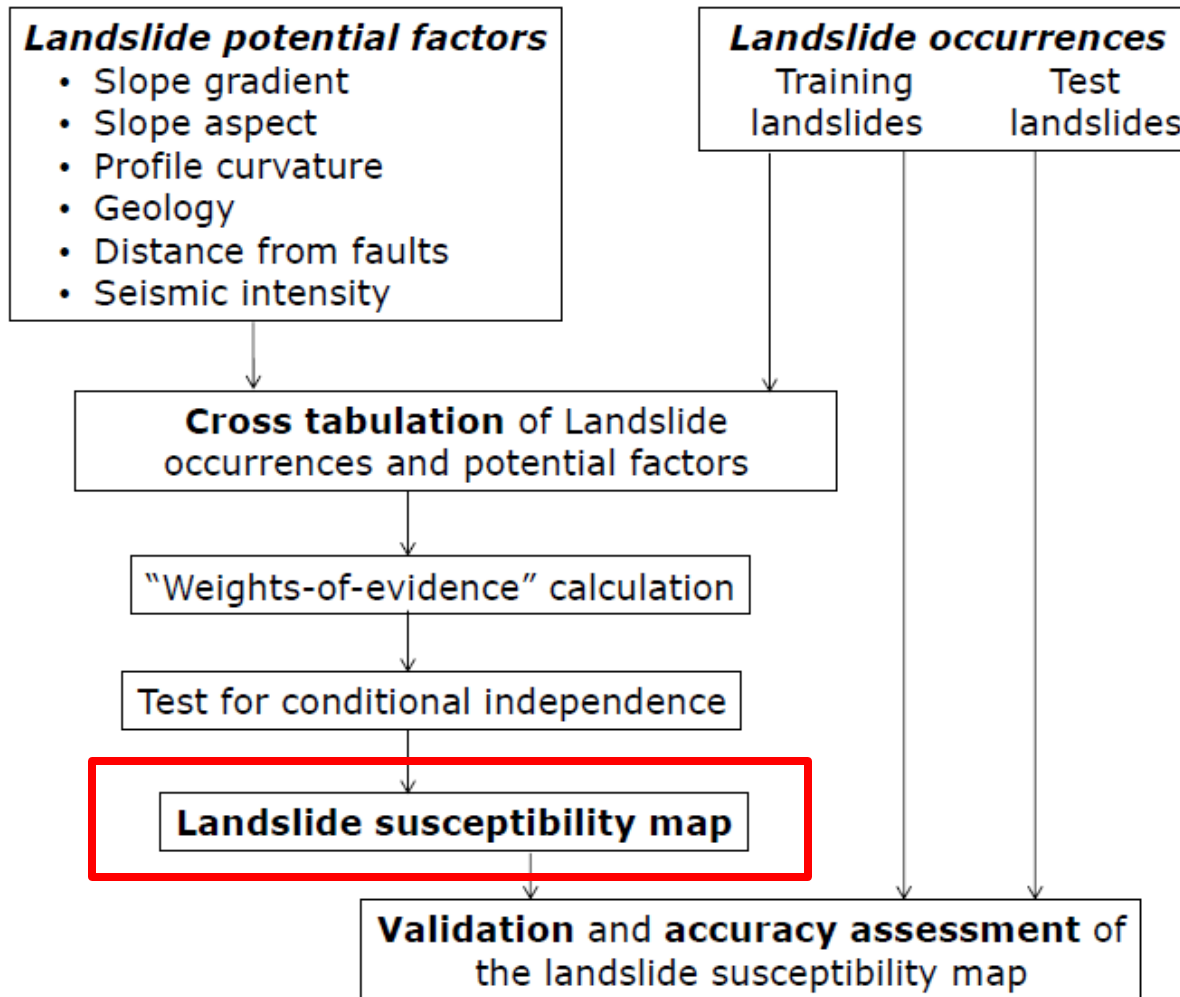
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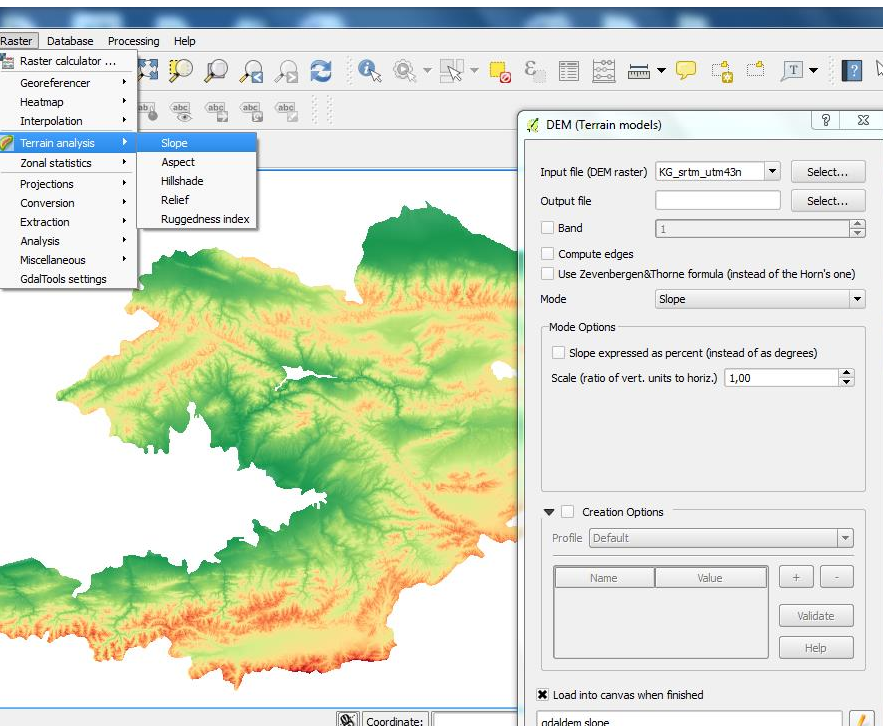
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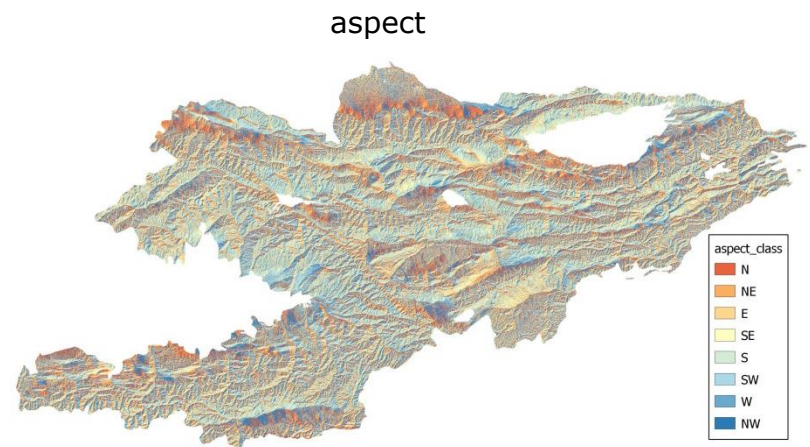
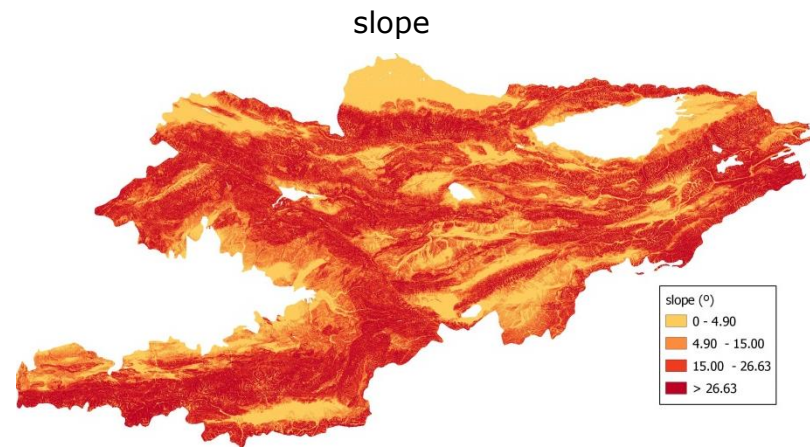


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- Slope aspect
- Profile curvature
- Geology
- Distance from Faults
- Seismic intensity

# Terrain analysis plugin

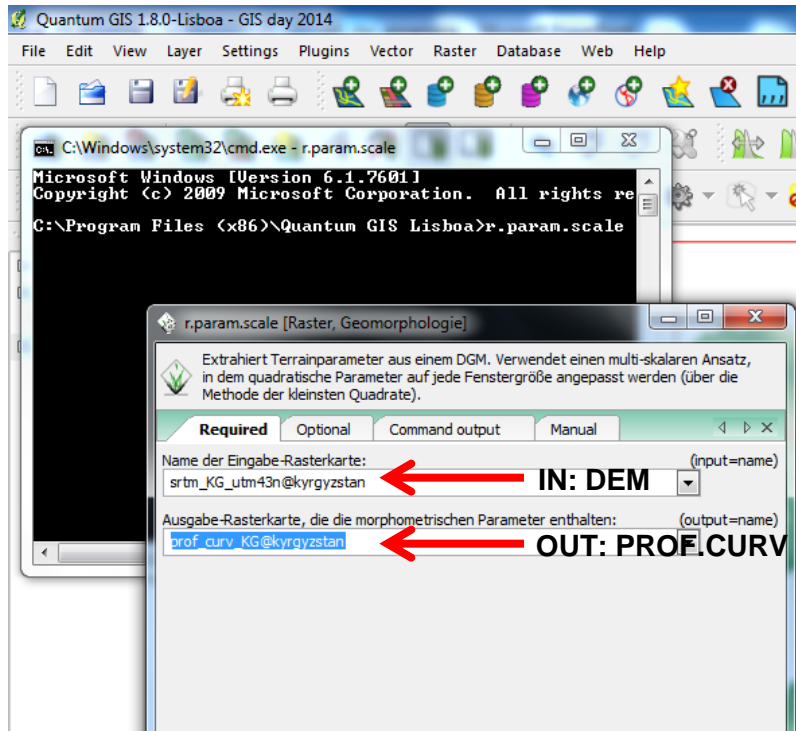


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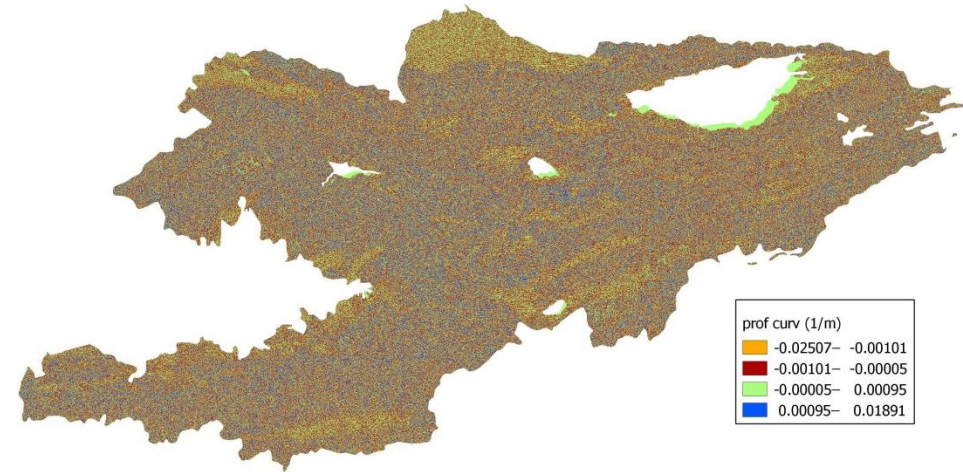


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# GRASS r.param.scale



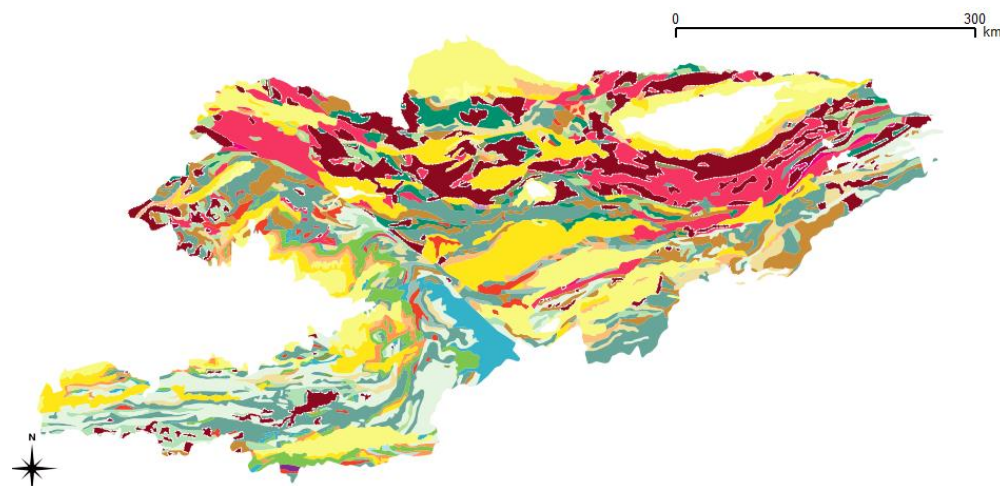
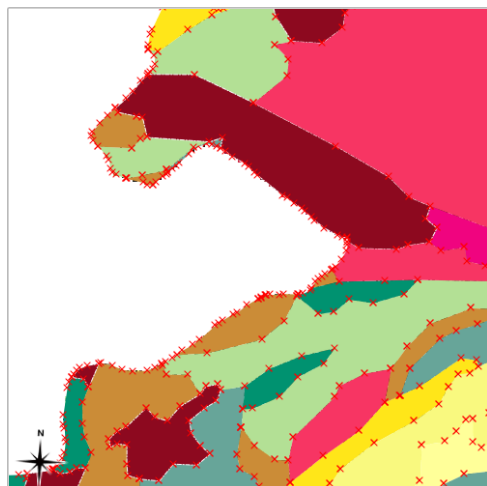
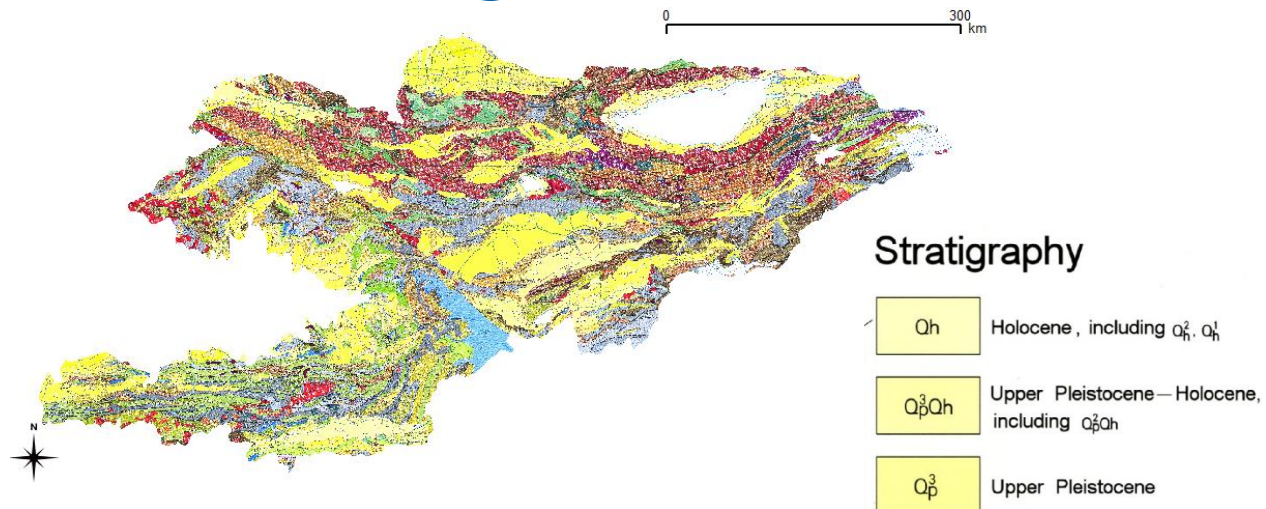
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GRASS (Geographic Resources Analysis Support System)

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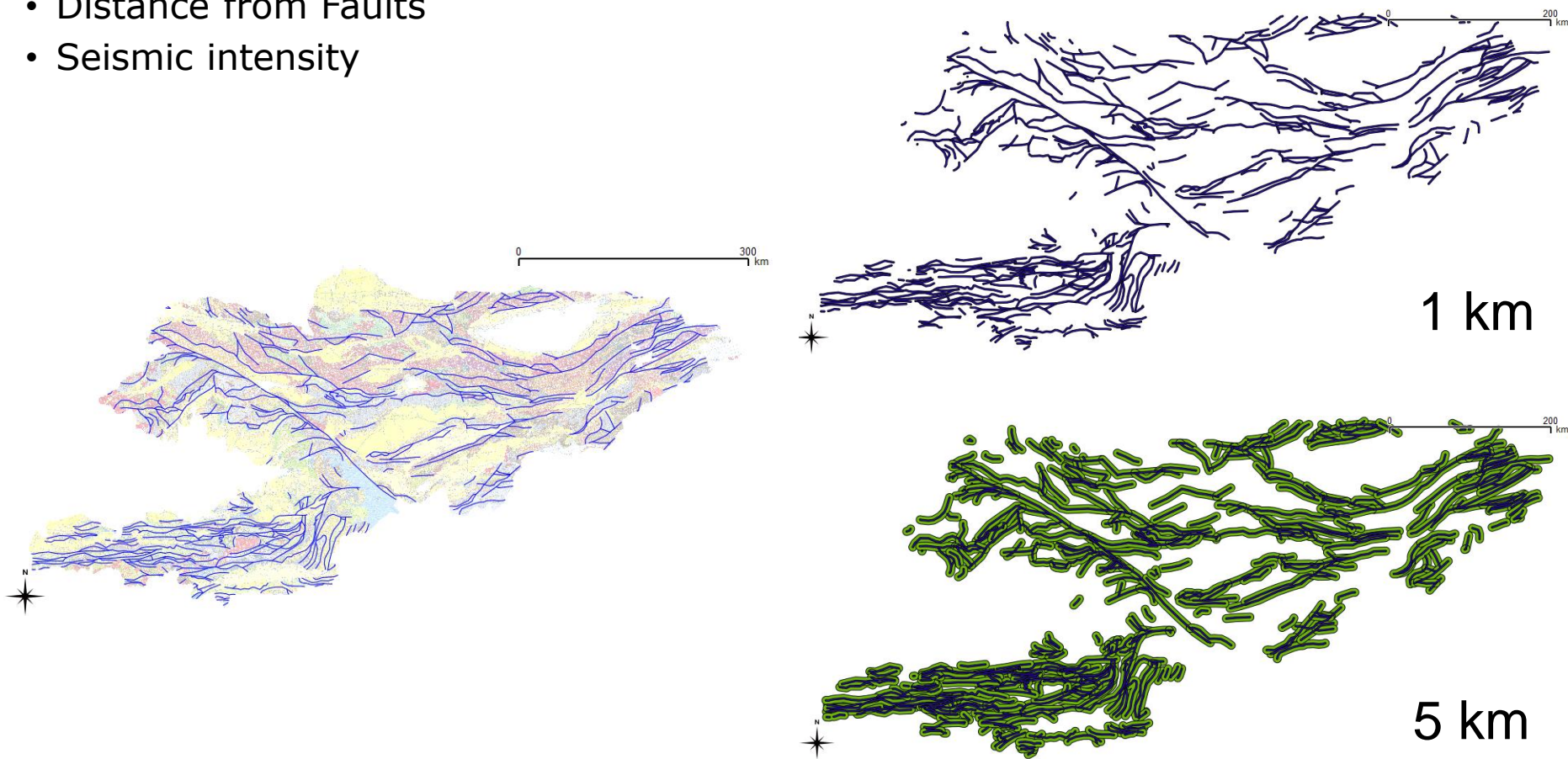
# Digitization



Geological map of Central Asia (2008)

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# Creation of buffer zones



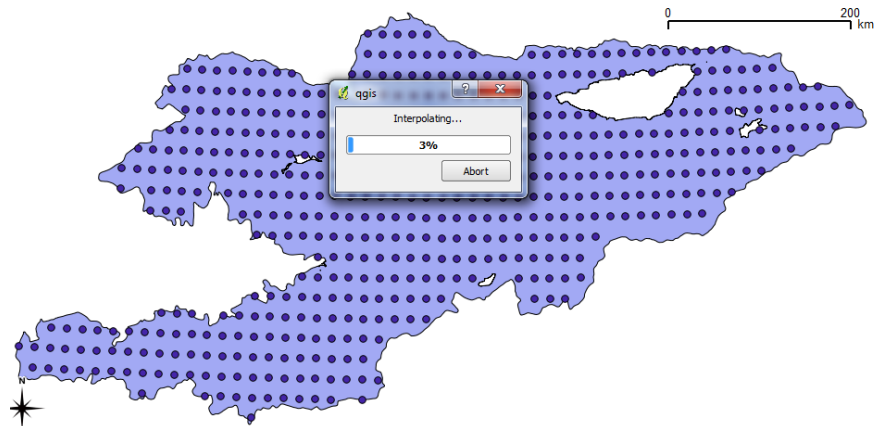
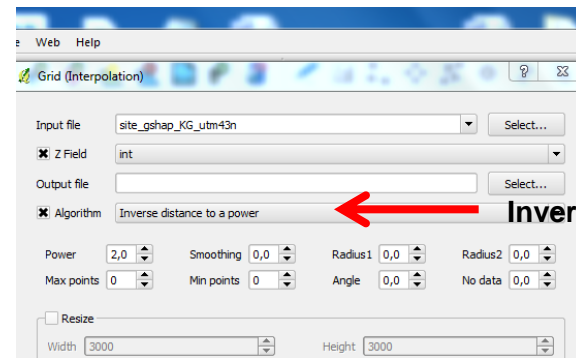
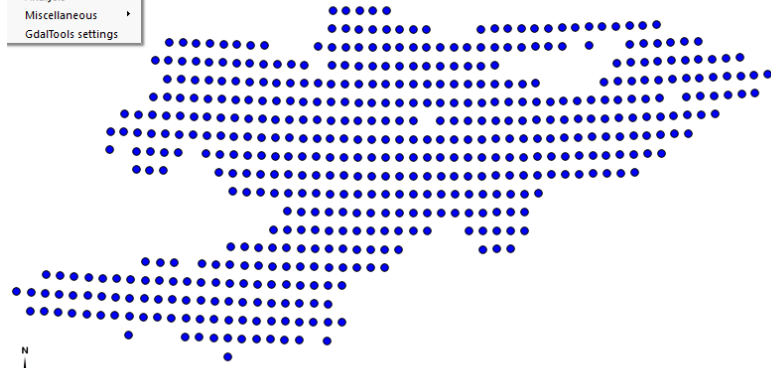
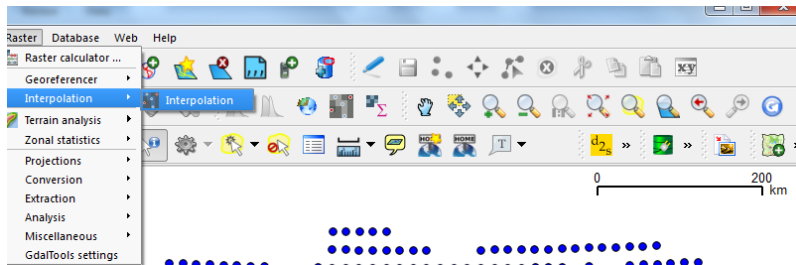
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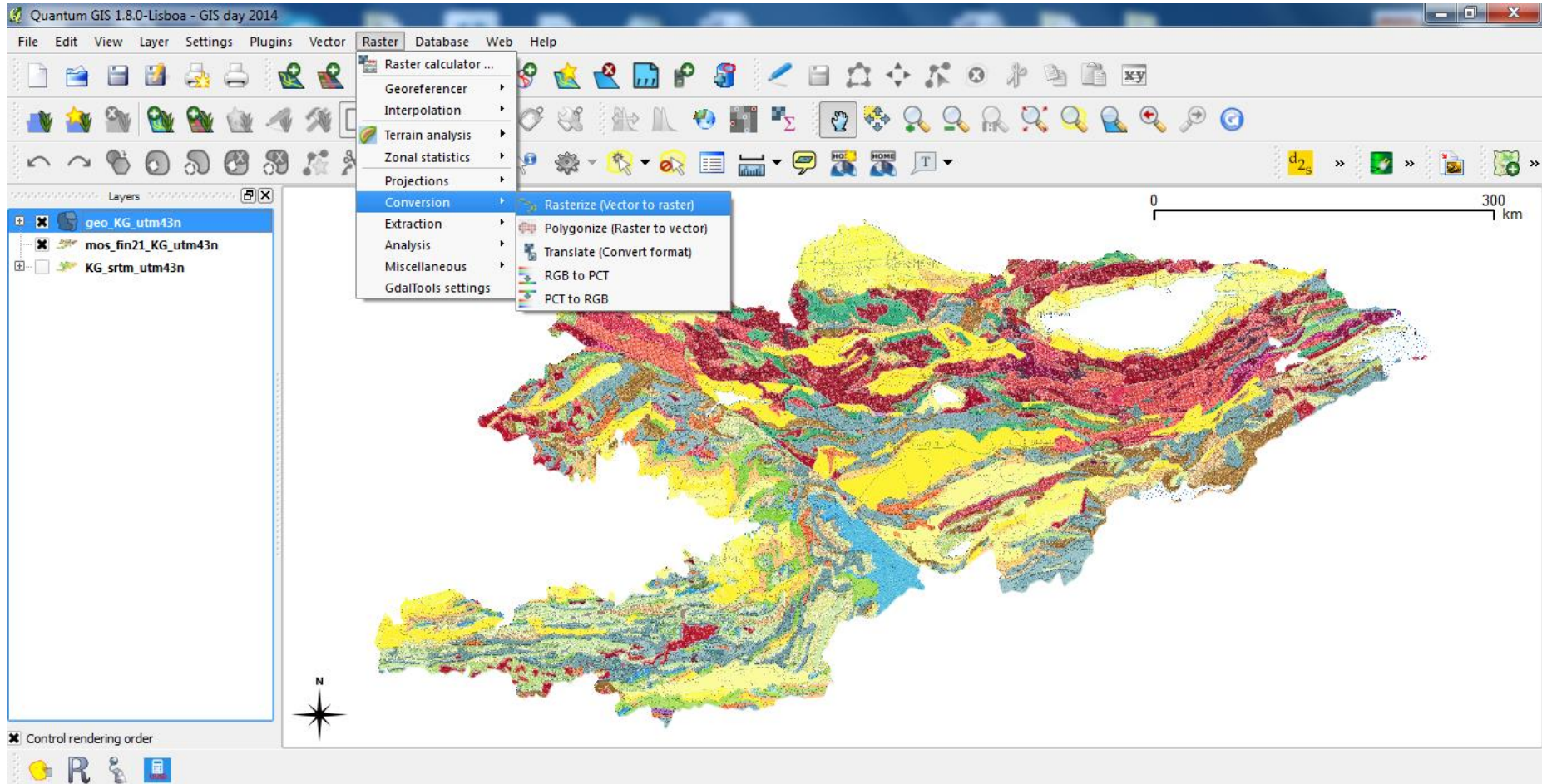
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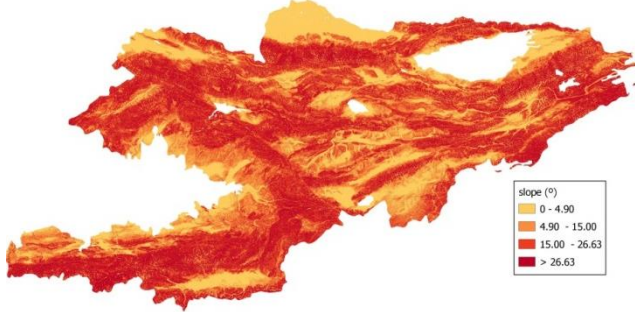
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# Conversion to raster

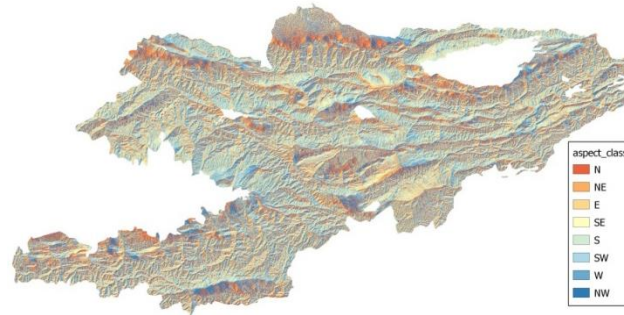


# Landslide potential factors

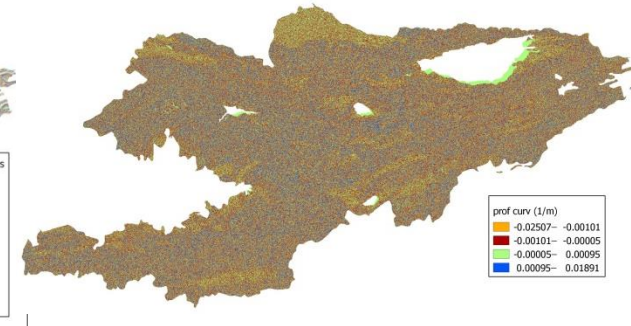
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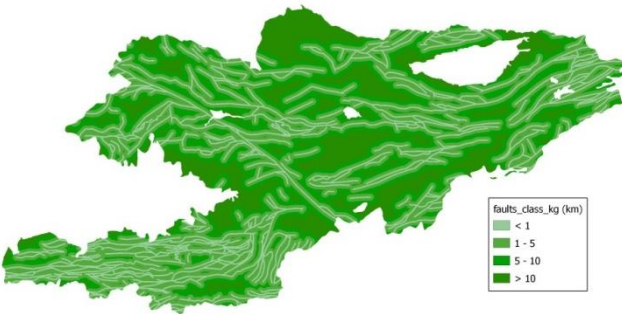
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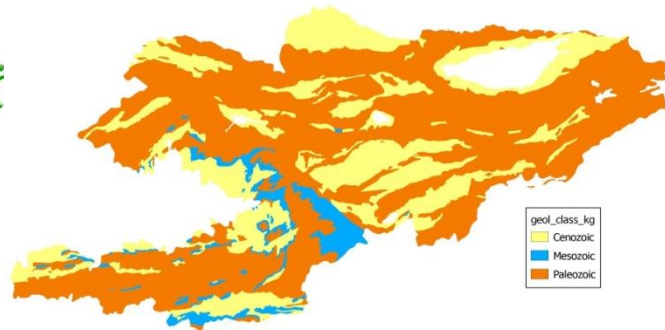
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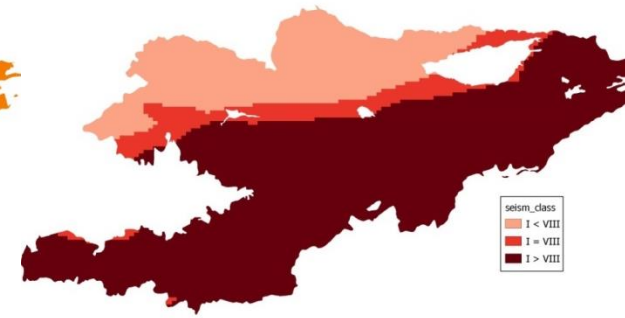
distance from faults



Geology



Seismic intensity (MSK)

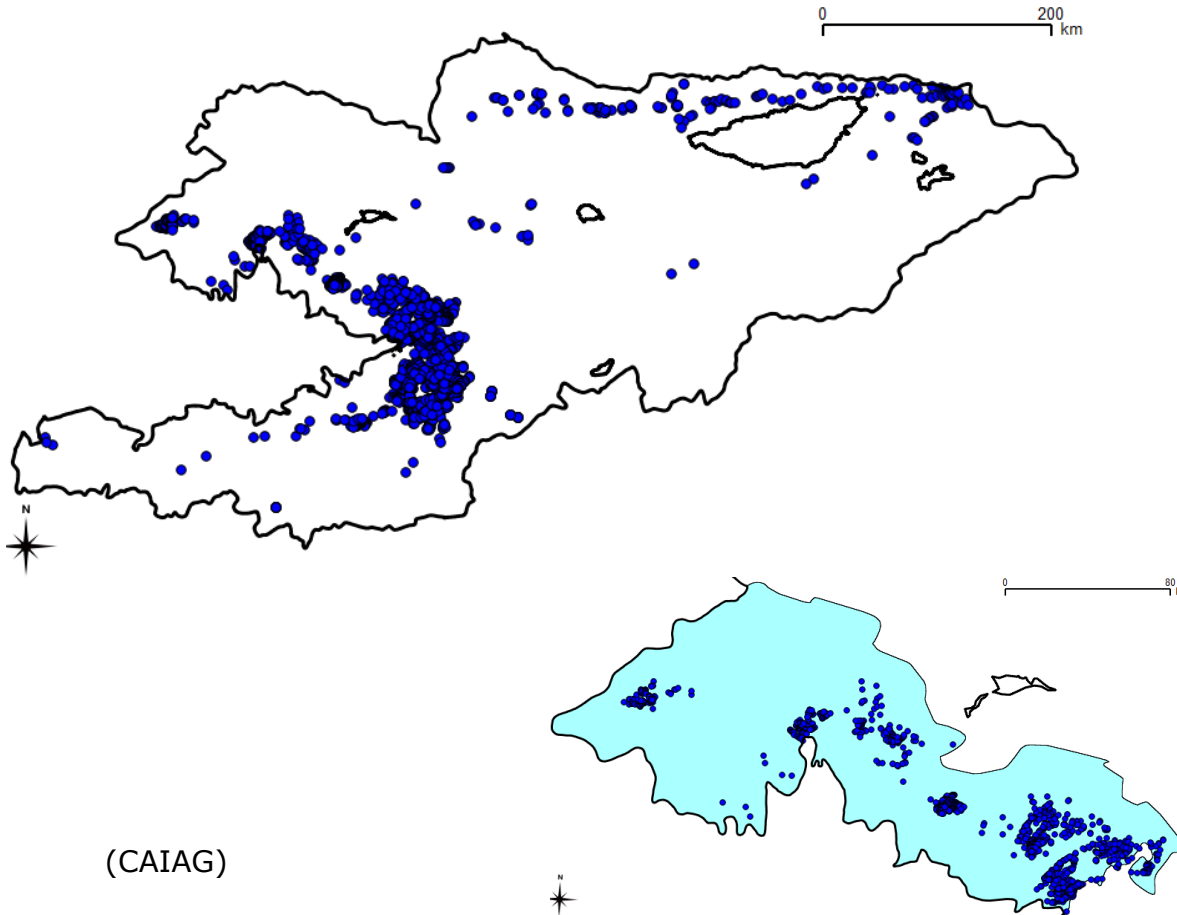


## Landslide occurrences

Training  
landslides

Test  
landslides

# Landslide sample



1. Wide variability of landslide factors
2. Study area representative of existing relationships among landslide factors in KG

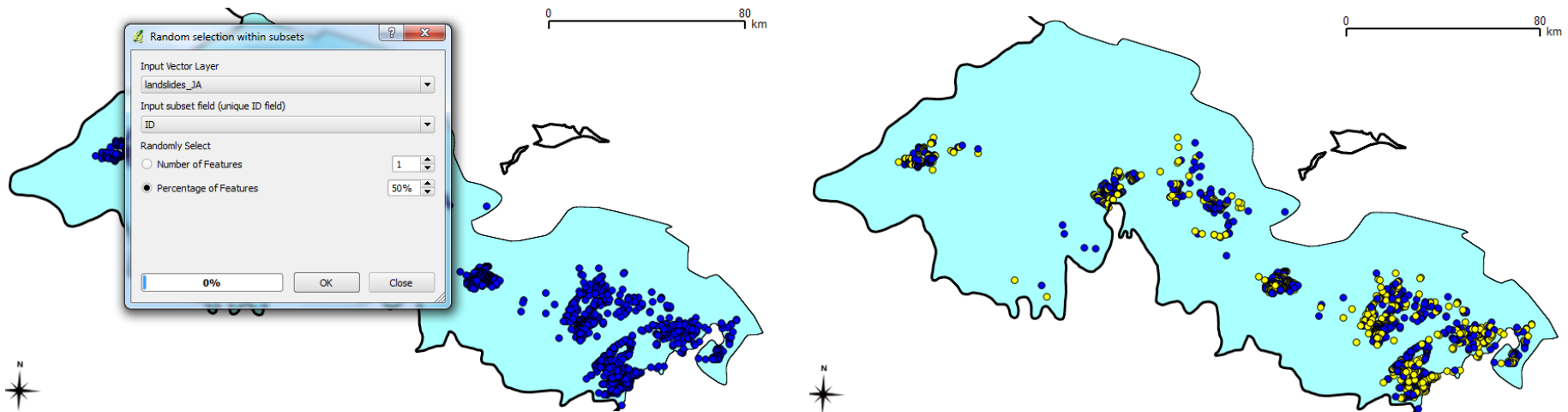
## Landslide occurrences

Training landslides    Test landslides

# Random selection

**Training** dataset & landslide factors -> landslide susceptibility **modeling**

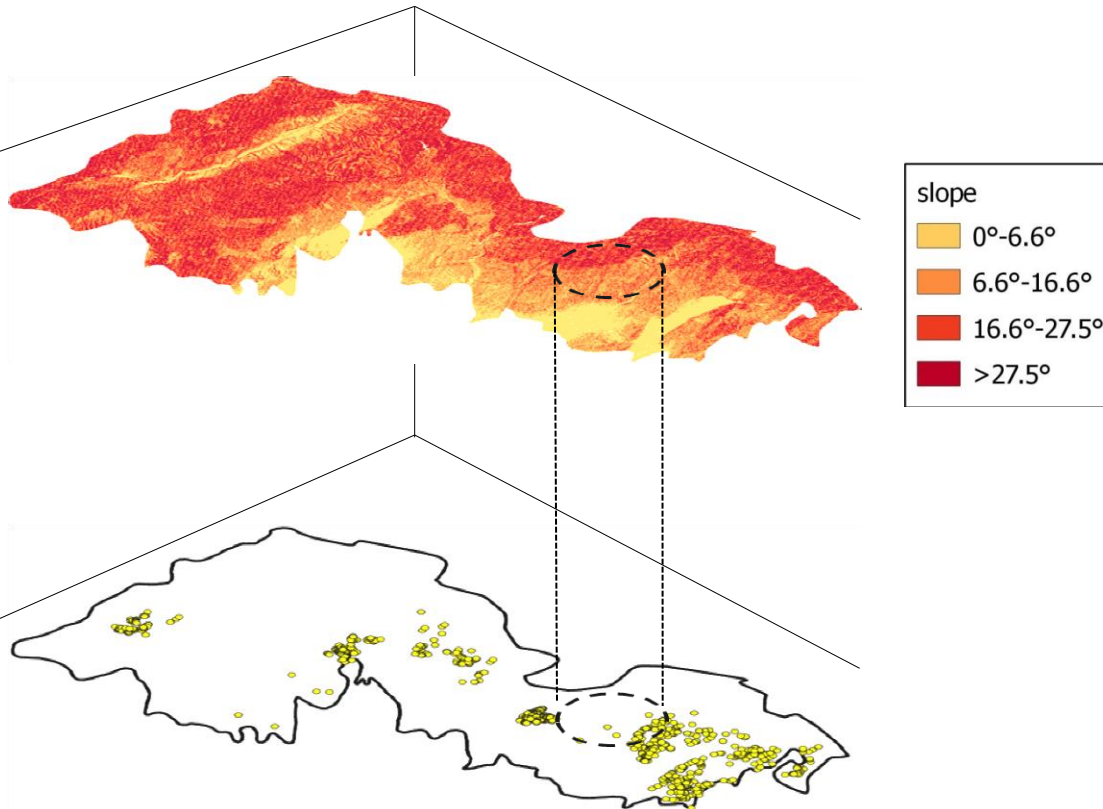
**Test** dataset & landslide susceptibility -> landslide susceptibility **validation**



# Cross tabulation of Landslide occurrences and potential factors

# Weights-of-Evidence

How much influential is a landslide factor on landslide occurrence?

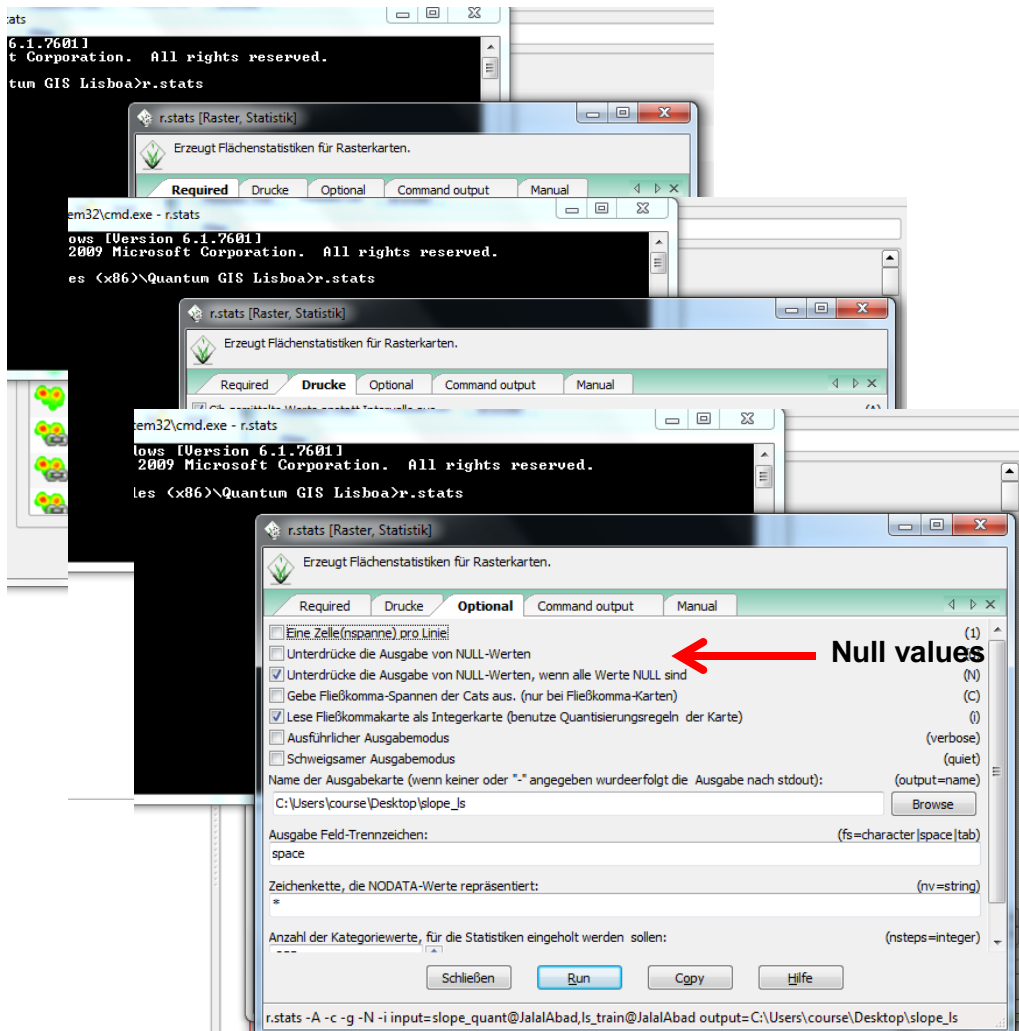


$$W^+ = \ln \frac{P(F | L)}{P(F | \bar{L})} = \ln \frac{N\{F \cap L\} / N\{L\}}{N\{F \cap \bar{L}\} / N\{\bar{L}\}}$$
$$W^- = \ln \frac{P(\bar{F} | L)}{P(\bar{F} | \bar{L})} = \ln \frac{N\{\bar{F} \cap L\} / N\{L\}}{N\{\bar{F} \cap \bar{L}\} / N\{\bar{L}\}}$$

(Bonham-Carter et al., 1989)

# Cross tabulation of Landslide occurrences and potential factors

# GRASS r.stats



slope_cl	ls	cells_num
1	1	36
2	1	356
3	1	250
4	1	25

# Statistical analysis in R

## Landslide potential factors

- Slope gradient
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## Landslide occurrences

Training  
landslides      Test  
landslides

Factor / Class	total cells	landslide cells	free from landslides cells	$W^+$	$S^2(W^+)$	$W^-$	$S^2(W^-)$	$C$	$C/S(C)$
<i>Slope gradient (°)</i>									
0-6.6	560,923	36	560,887	-0.970	0.028	0.098	0.002	-1.069	-6.235
6.6-16.6	1,144,613	356	1,144,257	0.608	0.003	-0.420	0.003	1.028	13.240
16.6-27.5	1,193,560	250	1,193,310	0.213	0.004	-0.109	0.002	0.321	4.017
> 27.5	1,025,605	25	1,025,580	-1.938	0.040	0.263	0.002	-2.202	-10.801
<i>Slope aspect (°)</i>									
N (337.5 – 22.5)	353,555	84	353,471	0.339	0.012	-0.041	0.002	0.379	3.249
NE (22.5 – 67.5)	364,992	57	364,935	-0.081	0.018	0.008	0.002	-0.089	-0.642

Cross tabulation of Landslide occurrences and potential factors

"Weights-of-evidence" calculation

Test for conditional independence

Landslide susceptibility map

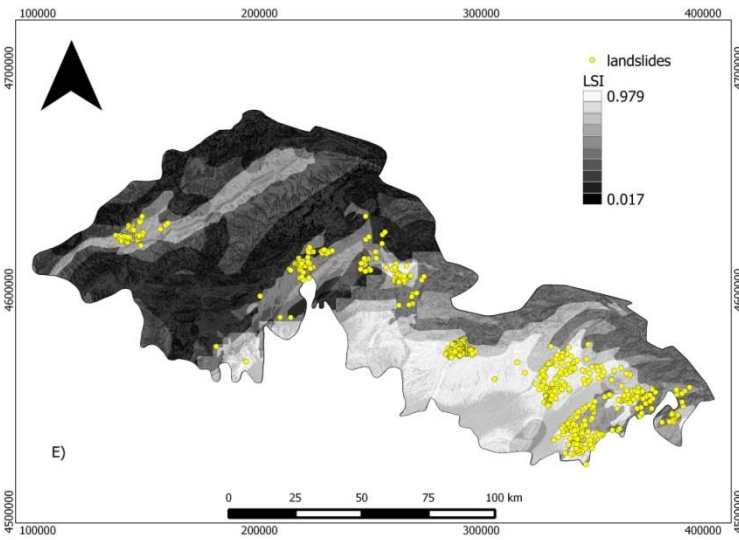
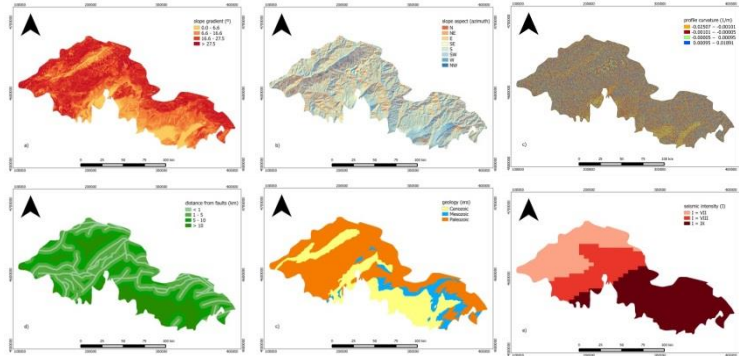
Validation and accuracy assessment of the landslide susceptibility map





# Landslide susceptibility map

# Raster calculator



**Raster calculator**

Raster bands:

- aspect@1
- curv@1
- faults@1
- geol@1
- seism@1
- slope@1

Result layer:

Output layer: C:/Users/course/Desktop/Lsi

Current layer extent:

X min: 97707,28858 XMax: 404934,64572

Y min: 4519948,24117 Y max: 4680971,36812

Columns: 4213 Rows: 2208

Output format: GeoTIFF

Add result to project

Operators:

+   \*   sqrt   sin   ^   acos   (

-   /   cos   asin   tan   atan   )

<   >   =   <=   >=   AND   OR

Raster calculator expression:

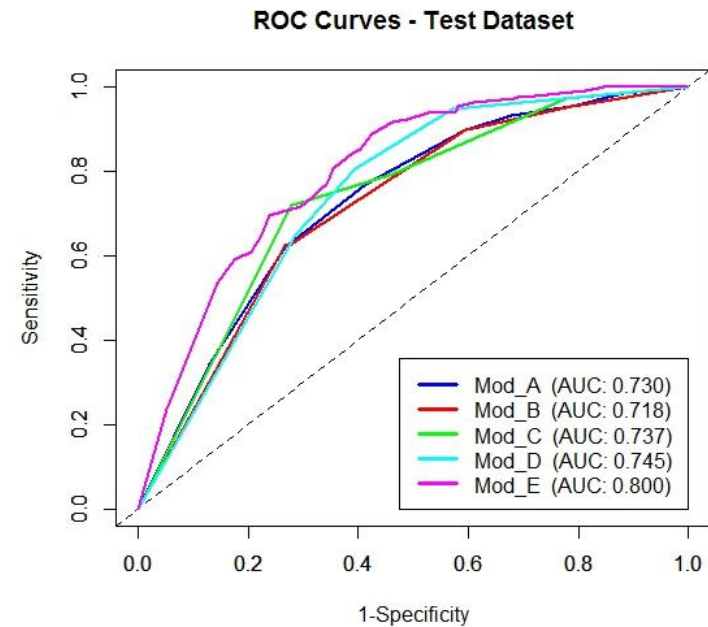
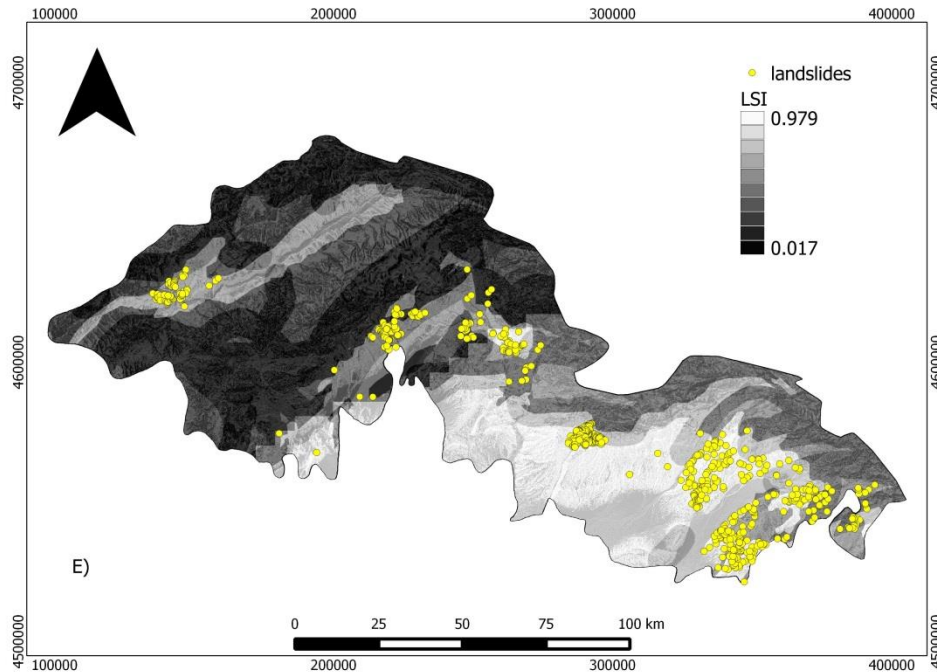
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Expression valid

OK Cancel

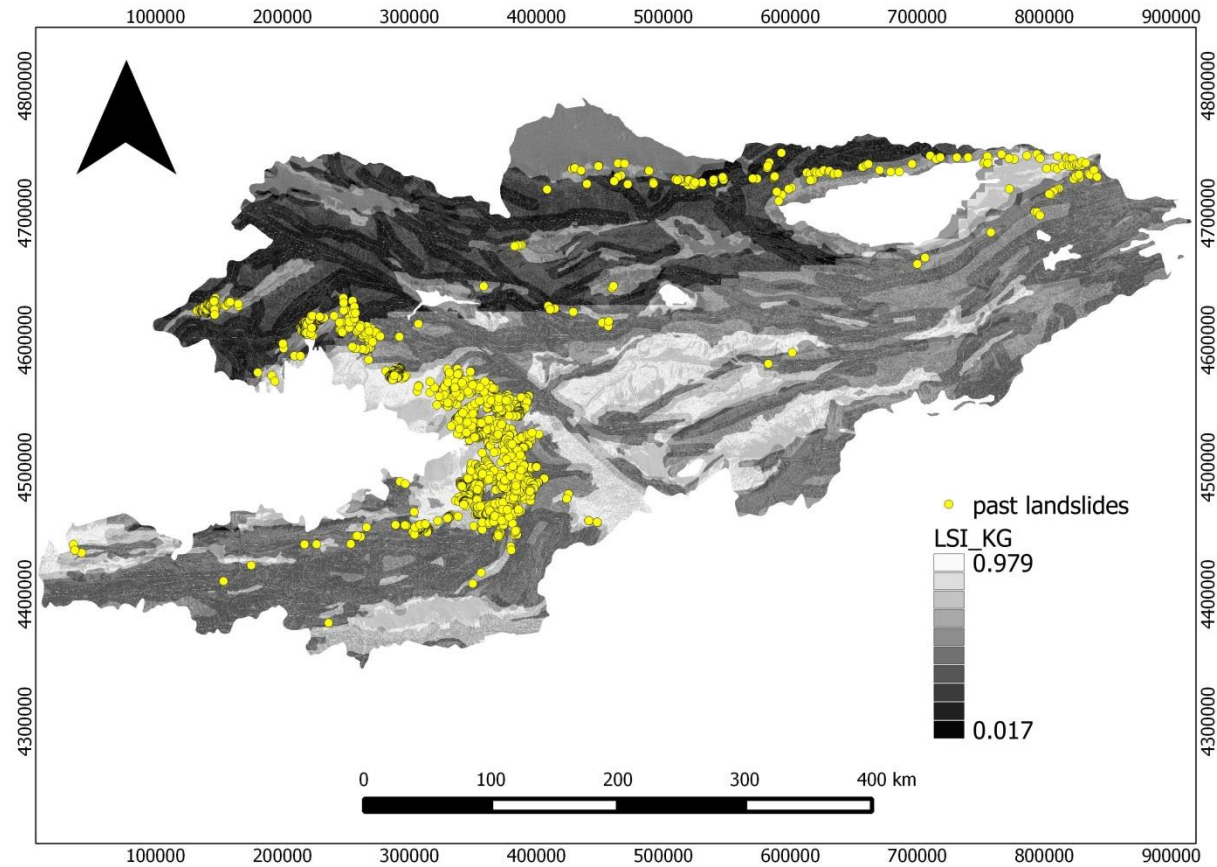
# Validation and accuracy assessment of the landslide susceptibility map

## ROC curves



(Saponaro et al., submitted)

# Landslide susceptibility results: Kyrgyzstan



(Saponaro et al., submitted)

# Conclusions

- One of the preliminary steps in the direction of **minimizing landslide risk** is represented by susceptibility analysis
- A procedure for **landslide susceptibility mapping** is presented
- A range of GIS functionalities and plugins allow for landslide factors analysis and processing, in particular **terrain analysis, interpolation, cross-tabulation of maps**
- Combined with **R, QGIS** can be a powerful tool for identifying areas where exists a potential for landslide activation

# Thank you!