

Alternative Representations of In-Stream Habitat: Classification using Remote Sensing, Hydraulic Modeling, and Fuzzy Logic

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“data-driven similarity relation model”

The Big Bang

Our Environmental Modeling with Raster data sets class

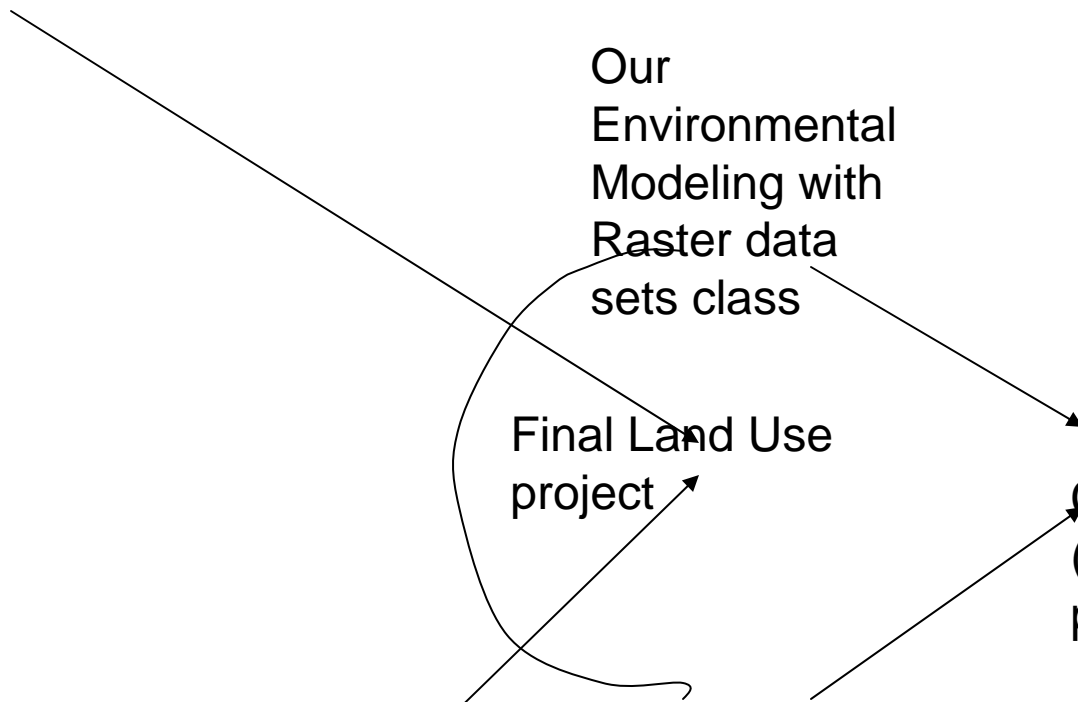
Final Land Use project

CDOM model (and our final products)

The year 2500

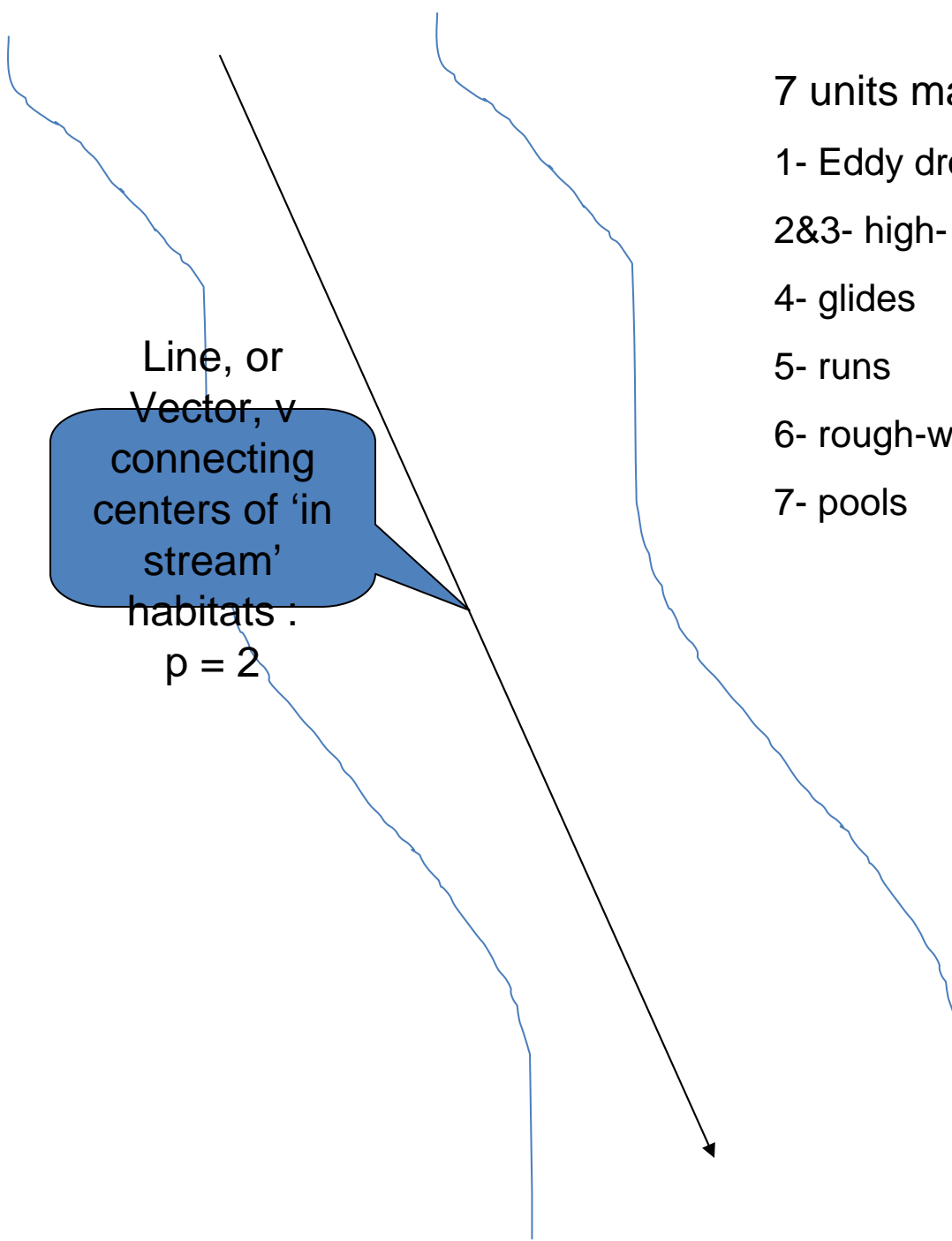
(When all you have to do is think about the data and a hologram instantly hovers over your desk)

This paper tries to 'fine tune' pixel classification



Conclusion / Key points

- Tension between cartographic 'exact-ness' and 'fuzzy' natural environment.
- Data quality is a key issue.
- RS – watershed analysis: Hydrologic modeling – 100 M reaches & intensive 'survey'.



Line, or
Vector, v
connecting
centers of 'in
stream'
habitats :

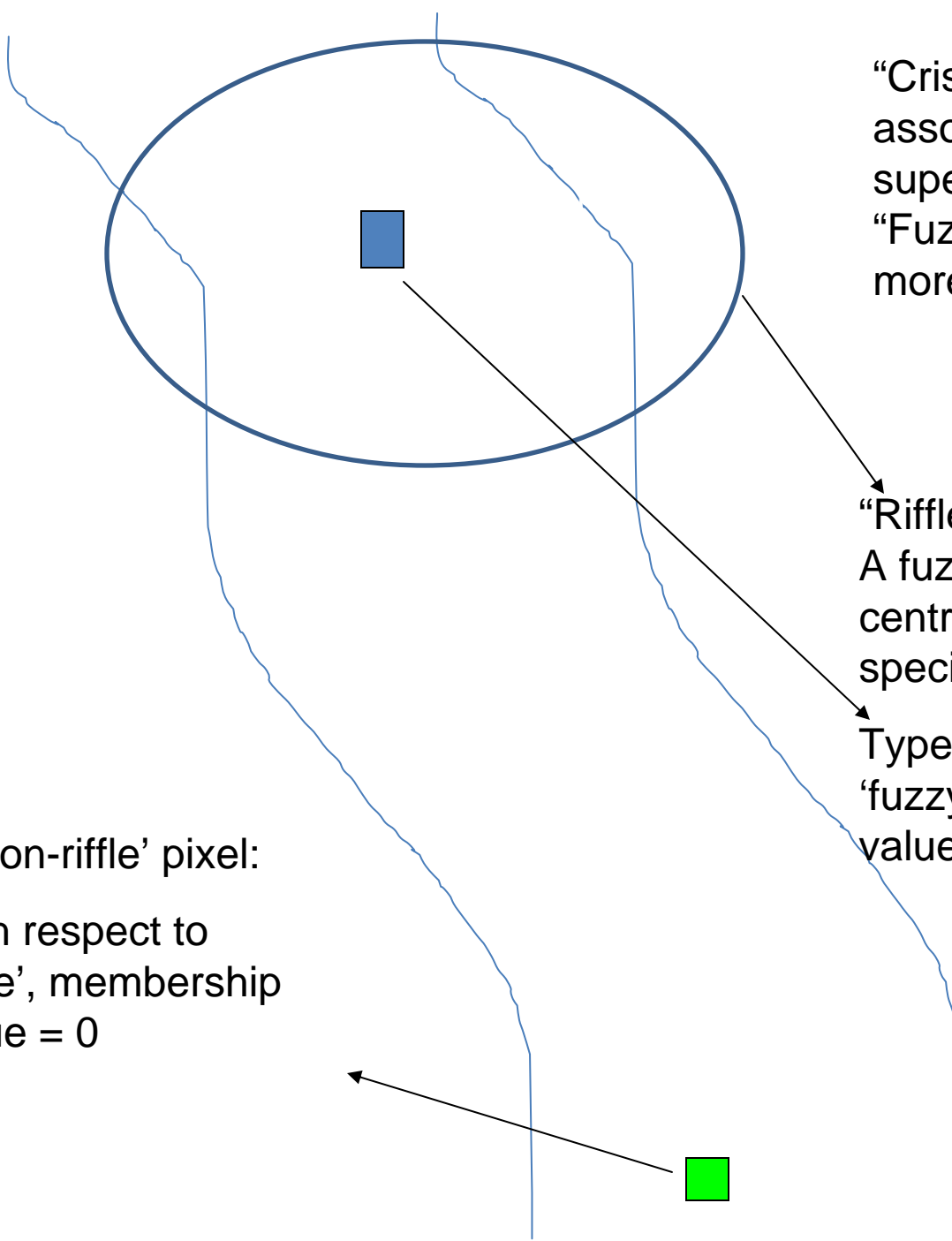
$$p = 2$$

7 units mapped in the field

- 1- Eddy drop zones
- 2&3- high- and low- gradient riffles
- 4- glides
- 5- runs
- 6- rough-water runs
- 7- pools

RS data trained to 4

- 1- eddy drop zones
- 2- riffles
- 3- run / glide
- 4- pool



“Crisp” classification associated more with supervised - as opposed to a “Fuzzy surface” associated more with unsupervised.

“Riffle”
A fuzzy set: the central pixel = type specimen.

Type specimen’s ‘fuzzy membership value’ = 1

A ‘non-riffle’ pixel:
With respect to ‘riffle’, membership value = 0



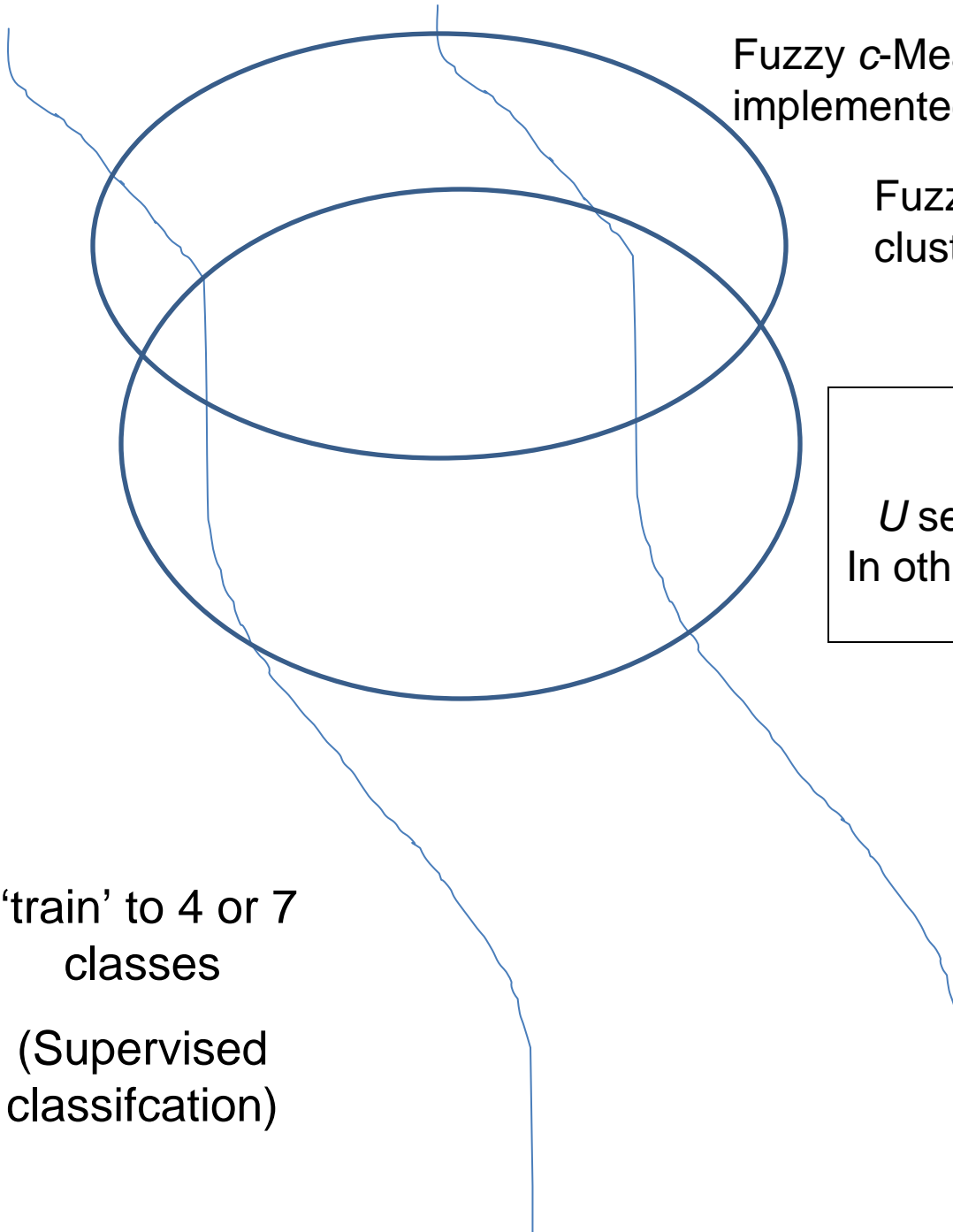
Fuzzy c -Means Algorithm: FCM implemented in MATLAB

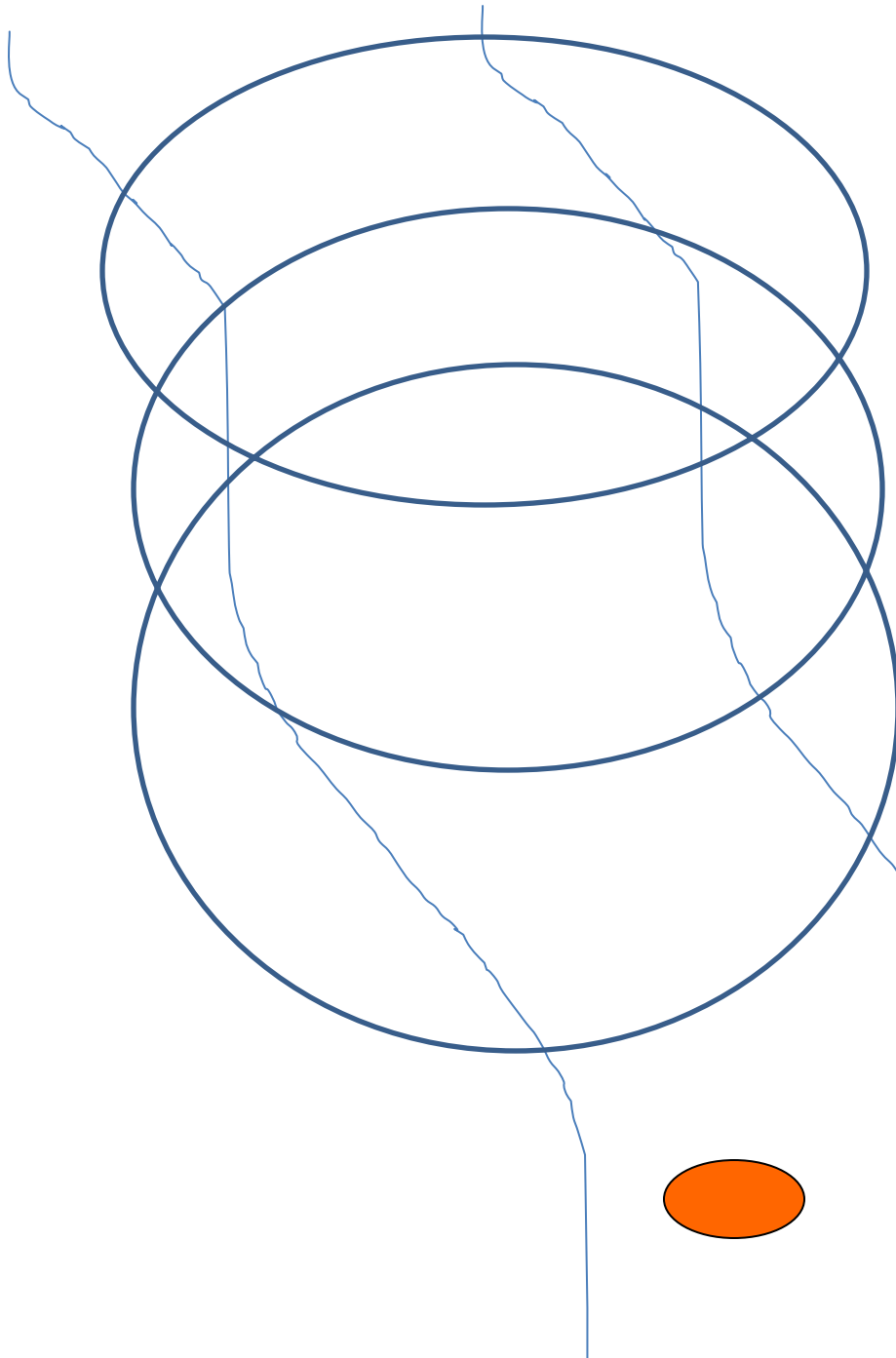
Fuzzy set = fuzzy c -partition =
cluster

In some cases,
 U seems to be any fuzzy set:
In others, U refers to the *last set*.

'train' to 4 or 7
classes

(Supervised
classification)





- 2 – 10 clusters (c)
- 15 FCM Weighting exponents (m)
1.1 – 2.5
- 3 data sets = 405 rasters

8 indices of Cluster Validity

Fuzzy c -Means is an iterative process: This is the final fuzzy c -partition, \mathbf{U}

River 2D Hydrodynamic Model: 625 Meters of Kananaskis River, Alberta

Channel bed topog

K flow resistance
= roughness height

Create 1M grid
12,699 (TIN) nodes
'finite element mesh'

Iteratively apply
fluid-flow equations

Depth, Velocity,
Froude #
& shear velocity
At each point

Transverse eddy viscosity
(parameters)

'Boundary Conditions'
(Inflow & end-of-reach elevation)

ADAR –Lamar River - Multispectral

(4 bands only)

FCM for all combinations of 2-10 clusters
Weighting exp. From 1.1 through 2.5 by 0.1

- blue
- green
- red
- SW IR

Probe-1 – Lamar River -Hyper

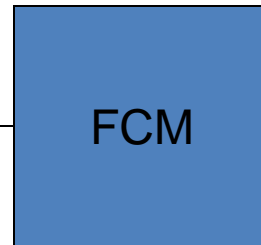
30 bands
MNF Transform:
Took first 4 bands

Kananaskis River data

- depth
- velocity

Shear velocity

Froude Number



135 FCM classifications
For each of the 3 data sets

Cluster Validity 1 of 3

“clustery goodness” – like peanuts under the chocolate of a candy bar

- Partition Coefficient $PC(c) = 1$, then partition U should be crisp (or hard): $PC(c) = 1/c$ then $U = 1/c$ and membership is spread evenly over all classes (max fuzz)
- Partition Entropy $PE(c) = 0$, hard partition: $PE(c) = \log(c)$ membership spread evenly
- Xie-Beni XB Smaller XB = compact & separate clusters

Cluster Validity 2 of 3

partitions – either a cluster, or the final result- all of the clusters

- Fukuyama-Sugeno FS Small FS, compact, separate clusters
- Fuzzy Hypervolume FHV Small indicates compact clusters
- Average partition density D_{pa} Larger is better, but you want both dense and loose clusters in a given partition = dense substructures

Cluster Validity 3 of 3

- Partition Density P_D Larger = compact, separate clusters.
- Separateness-compactness SC Larger = good cohesion within cluster and small overlap between pairs of clusters.

Classification Uncertainty

- Spatial patterns of classification uncertainty highlight transitional areas. These might contain greater diversity of habit.
- Boundaries concentrate confusion in the smallest zone possible.

Uncertainty Technique

- ‘Hardening’ fuzzy classes: Assign the pixel to the class it has the highest value for.”A kind of defuzzification”.
- Create discrete objects by ascribing boundaries to fuzzy surfaces. This can only be done by establishing specific sets of conditions. These sets of conditions are thresholds also known as α -cuts.
- Gaps are known as Epsilon bands.

Spatial variability of Classification Uncertainty

- Exaggeration uncertainty: Describes the error incurred by assuming an observation has full membership in a class. Quantifies the dissimilarity between it and its class.
- Ignorance uncertainty: a number that describes how well this observation does *not* relate to all the other classes. Proportional to the fuzziness of the entity (I assume class).