

1 **ATLANTIC SPATIAL: a data set of landscape, topographic, hydrologic and anthropogenic**
2 **metrics for the Atlantic Forest**

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41 **Introduction**

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43 In ecology, space matters. Space affects the main drivers of biodiversity, since it regulates the
44 underlying processes affecting the distribution and dynamics of species (Fletcher and Fortin 2018).
45 These ecological processes, such as environmental filtering, biotic interactions, dispersal and
46 ecological drift drive the response of organisms to environmental factors such as climate, topography,
47 land use and land cover (LULC), soil types and habitat connectivity and heterogeneity (Anderle et al.
48 2022, Messenger et al. 2023). Thus, space is a fundamental component in the face of rapid effects of
49 climate and LULC changes at local and global scales, as well as their widespread consequences for
50 habitat loss and fragmentation (Jetz et al. 2007, He et al. 2019, Williams and Newbold 2020). Having
51 available geospatial environmental data is essential to assess these effects at different spatial and
52 temporal scales, extents and grains (e.g., Lima-Ribeiro 2015, Vega et al. 2017, Fick and Hijmans
53 2017, Souza et al. 2020, Karger et al. 2020, Poggio et al. 2021, Potapov et al. 2022, Hawker et al.
54 2022, Hansen et al. 2022, Tang and Werner 2023). Comprehensive spatial data sets are important to
55 address conservation and restoration efforts to maintain biodiversity and their ecological processes
56 (Dirzo et al. 2014, He et al. 2015, Young et al. 2016, Johnson et al. 2017). Ultimately, such data sets
57 would help to unravel frequent ‘spatial complications’ [neglected contribution of space in explaining
58 ecological processes] (Kareiva 1994) in ecology and other geospatial disciplines.

59 Habitat loss and fragmentation are currently the major threats to biodiversity and ecological
60 processes worldwide (Fahrig 2003, Haddad et al. 2015). Landscapes composition and configuration
61 are essential factors determining biodiversity, population dynamics, species interactions, dispersal
62 and movement, functions the biota perform across the space (Fahrig 2003, Driscoll et al. 2013, Dufлот
63 et al. 2017). Besides, different landscape metrics can be used as proxies of landscape heterogeneity
64 to predict biodiversity and ecosystem function (Tonetti et al. 2023). This is especially relevant in
65 fragmented landscapes where natural vegetation fragments are surrounded by different anthropogenic
66 land cover types (Fischer and Lindenmayer 2007, Turner and Gardner 2015). Landscape metrics can
67 also be used in the identification of priority areas for conservation (Tambosi et al. 2014), in addition
68 to predicting species’ potential distribution (Fletcher et al. 2016). Furthermore, these metrics must be
69 computed considering different scales depending on the phenomenon of interest (Jackson and Fahrig
70 2015, Miguet et al. 2016), and the specific species functional responses to landscape structure (Mimet
71 et al. 2013, Riva and Nielsen 2020).

72 The Atlantic Forest of South America (AF) is among the global biodiversity hotspots due to
73 its high species richness and endemism associated with severe habitat loss (Myers et al. 2000, Sloan
74 et al. 2014). The AF covers almost the entire coast of Brazil and reaches inland portions of the
75 continent in parts of Paraguay and Argentina, and its vegetation covered over 1.6 million km² before

76 the European colonization (Marques et al. 2021). Due to its wide longitudinal, latitudinal and
77 altitudinal range, the AF has high environmental heterogeneity with different vegetation types
78 generated mainly by the rainfall distribution, from its coast as Mangrove and Sandy coastal plain
79 vegetation (*restinga*), passing through humid forest (Dense Ombrophilous, Open Ombrophilous,
80 Mixed Ombrophilous), and dry forest formations (Semideciduous and Deciduous Seasonal) (Joly et
81 al. 2014). These geographical characteristics, combined with a large topographic variability and pre-
82 historic process of formation, favored high species diversification rates and endemism (Carnaval et
83 al. 2014, Peres et al. 2020).

84 The high diversification rate in AF is evidenced by its high biodiversity: it contains almost
85 18,000 species of plants (Flora e Funga do Brasil 2023); 2,645 species of Tetrapoda (Figueiredo et
86 al. 2021); around 1,000 species of fish (Reis et al. 2016); 1400 species of social insects (Feitosa et al.
87 2021); more than 2,000 species of butterflies (Iserhard et al. 2017); more than 112,000 species of
88 arachnids (Giupponi et al. 2017); and from 3 to 12 million species of unknown bacteria (Lambais et
89 al. 2006). In addition to its high biodiversity, the AF directly provides ecosystem services for >150
90 million people, such as water provisioning and regulation, hydroelectric energy generation, food
91 production, pollination, soil protection, climate regulation, carbon storage, air quality and cultural
92 services (Joly et al. 2014, Pires et al. 2021). A great part of the AF biodiversity is highly threatened,
93 especially birds (Bonfim et al. 2021), small mammals (Palmeirim et al. 2019), medium and large
94 mammals (Rios et al. 2021b) and amphibians (Almeida-Gomes and Rocha 2014). Furthermore,
95 ecological processes are also affected by landscape modifications, such as interaction networks
96 (Marjakangas et al. 2020, Monteiro et al. 2022), carbon storage (Bello et al. 2015, de Lima et al. 2020,
97 Pyles et al. 2022) and pollination (Varassin et al. 2021). In addition, other threats to the AF landscapes
98 are defaunation (Galetti et al. 2017, 2021), the introduction of non-native species (Vitule et al. 2021)
99 and climate change (Scarano and Ceotto 2015, Vale et al. 2021).

100 The AF covers the three countries (Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay) with the largest
101 deforestation areas in the world between 1982 and 2016 (Song et al. 2018). Thus, landscape
102 modifications within the AF have caused impacts reported by a series of studies that still show a
103 warning scenario. Despite a temporal stability of around 28 Mha of forest, a considerable part of this
104 forest is made up of the replacement of old native forests by young forests (Rosa et al. 2021).
105 Furthermore, although recent estimates state that there are around about 23% of forest and 36% of
106 natural vegetation, there is a high fragmentation scenario—97% of fragments are <50 ha, 60% are
107 under edge effect (<90 m), and there is high isolation of vegetation fragments (mean of 250 to 830
108 m) (Vancine et al. 2023). Moreover, the high density of linear infrastructure (roads and railways) in
109 AF affects the vegetation remnants—especially the large ones (>500,000 ha), proving to have a major
110 negative impact on biodiversity (Cassimiro et al. 2023, Vancine et al. 2023).

111 The AF is one of the most intensely studied biomes in the world. A large initiative organized
112 by Brazilian researchers – the ATLANTIC SERIES of data papers – have compiled hundreds of
113 thousands of records of occurrence and abundance of animal and plant species in the AF
114 ([https://esajournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/toc/10.1002/\(ISSN\)1939-9170.AtlanticPapers](https://esajournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/toc/10.1002/(ISSN)1939-9170.AtlanticPapers)).
115 Biodiversity data were collected for decades and have been recently synthesized for AF in numerous
116 data papers from the collection (Bello et al. 2017, Bovendorp et al. 2017, Figueiredo et al. 2017, Lima
117 et al. 2017, Muylaert et al. 2017, Gonçalves et al. 2018a, 2018b, Hasui et al. 2018, Vancine et al.
118 2018, Santos et al. 2018, Souza et al. 2019, Culot et al. 2019, Ramos et al. 2019, Rodrigues et al.
119 2019, Silva et al. 2022, Boscolo et al. 2023). These data sets have provided an unprecedented
120 opportunity for the assessment of how environmental conditions and species interactions can predict
121 biodiversity patterns from species to assemblages (e.g. Bovendorp et al. 2019, Palmeirim et al. 2019,
122 Rios et al. 2021b, 2021a, Bonfim et al. 2021). However, such studies rely on a highly variable set of
123 spatial data and require intensive data processing, usually differing in the scale and grain, as well as
124 source and quality.

125 Here, we present the ATLANTIC SPATIAL data set, where we organize and synthesize
126 spatial data on land cover and land use, landscape, topographic, hydrologic and anthropogenic metrics
127 for the entire AF. Making these data available avoids complex and computationally demanding
128 geoprocessing steps from having to be re-run and allows for different biodiversity studies to be more
129 reproducible and potentially comparable, since they would use as source the same set of spatial data.
130 We present raster maps at 30-m resolution, making it possible to easily integrate spatial and
131 biodiversity data in ecological studies. We provide several metrics derived from different moving
132 window sizes, so that it can be used as effect scales on multiple scale analyses (Jackson and Fahrig
133 2015). Our aim is to facilitate the use of these layers in a series of studies, within fields such as
134 landscape ecology (Beca et al. 2017, Regolin et al. 2017, Marjakangas et al. 2020, Monteiro et al.
135 2022), species distribution modeling (SDMs) (Ferro e Silva et al. 2018, Bertassoni et al. 2019, Santos
136 et al. 2020, 2022, Oshima et al. 2021, Tonetti et al. 2022), spatial prioritization (Tambosi et al. 2014,
137 Rosa et al. 2021, Iezzi et al. 2022, Tonetti et al. 2023) and habitat restoration (Melo et al. 2013, Pinto
138 et al. 2014, 2014, Zwiener et al. 2017, Lopes et al. 2022, Piffer et al. 2022, Schweizer et al. 2022,
139 Zupo et al. 2022, Bicudo da Silva et al. 2023). We hope this information enables the integration of
140 biodiversity and environmental data for the AF in ecological studies and expect it to be a common
141 reference to be used as a basis for landscape planning, biodiversity conservation and forest restoration
142 programs.

143 **METADATA**

144 **Class I. Data set descriptors**

145 **A. Data set identity**

146 **Title:** ATLANTIC SPATIAL: a data set of landscape, topographic, hydrologic and anthropogenic
147 metrics for the Atlantic Forests.

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149 **B. Data set identification code**

150 ATLANTIC_SPATIAL.csv

151 ATLANTIC_SPATIAL.zip

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153 **C. Data set description**

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166 **2. Abstract**

167 Space is one of the main drivers of biodiversity, once it regulates the underlying processes affecting
168 the distribution and dynamics of species. It is a fundamental factor in face of the rapid climate and
169 land use and land cover changes at local and global scales, which are linked to habitat loss and
170 fragmentation and their impacts on various organisms. The Atlantic Forest of South America (AF) is
171 among the global biodiversity hotspots because of its high species richness and endemism. Most of
172 the threats to the AF biodiversity is due to the expansion of urbanization and industry, extensive
173 agricultural and livestock production and mining. Here, we make available integrated and fine-scale
174 spatial information (resolution = 30 m) for the entire AF extent for the year 2020. The metrics consider
175 different vegetation classes (forest and forest plus other natural vegetation), effects of linear structure
176 (roads and railways) and multiple scales (radius buffer from 50 m to 2,500 m and up to 10 km for
177 some metrics). The entire data set is composed of 500 rasters and the AF delimitation vector, available

178 through the R package *atlanticr*, which we developed to facilitate the organization and acquisition of
179 the data. The metrics consists of land cover (31 classes), distance to grouped land cover classes (forest
180 vegetation, natural vegetation, pasture, temporary crop, perennial crop, forest plantation, urban areas,
181 mining and water), a set of landscape, topographic and hydrologic metrics and anthropogenic
182 infrastructure. The landscape metrics include landscape morphology (classification as matrix, core,
183 edge, corridor, stepping stone, branch and perforation), fragment area and proportion, area and
184 number of patches, edge and core areas and proportion, structural and functional connectivity (for
185 different organisms' gap-crossing capabilities), distance to fragment edges, fragment perimeter and
186 perimeter-area ratio and landscape diversity. Topographic metrics include elevation, slope, aspect,
187 curvatures and landform elements (peak, ridge, shoulder, spur, slope, hollow, footslope, valley, pit
188 and flat), hydrologic metrics comprise potential springs and its kernel and potential streams and
189 respective distances and anthropogenic infrastructure maps contain roads, railways, protected areas
190 and indigenous territories and the respective distance to each of them. These data sets will allow for
191 efficient integration of biodiversity and environmental data for the AF in future ecological studies,
192 and we expect it to be an important reference and data source for landscape planning, biodiversity
193 conservation and forest restoration programs.

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195 **D. Keywords**

196 Tropical, hotspot, habitat loss, fragmentation, covariates, spatial, rainforest.

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198 **Class II. Research origin descriptors**

199 **A. Overall project description**

200 **1. Identity**

201 A compilation of spatial covariates data of landscape, topographic, hydrologic and anthropogenic
202 metrics for the entire AF at fine spatial resolution (30-m) for the year 2020.

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204 **2. Originators**

205 The ATLANTIC SPATIAL project was coordinated by Maurício H. Vancine and Bernardo
206 Brandão Niebuhr at the São Paulo State University (UNESP), and the data set was assembled with
207 help from all the other authors. This is part of ATLANTIC SERIES, which is led by Mauro Galetti
208 and Milton Ribeiro at the São Paulo State University (UNESP).

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210 **3. Period of study**

211 Data were processed for the year 2020.

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213 **4. Objectives**

214 The aim of this data paper was to provide a spatial covariates data set of landscape, topographic,
215 hydrologic and anthropogenic metrics for the entire Atlantic Forest (AF) at fine spatial resolution
216 (30-m) for the year 2020.

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218 **5. Abstract**

219 Same as above.

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221 **6. Sources of funding**

222 The compilation of this data set was supported by São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP) grants
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236 is financed by FAPESP.

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238 **B. Specific subproject description**

239 **1. Site description**

240 AF extends from 3°S to 33°S, and from 35°W to 58°W with ~163 Mha, covering coastal and inland
241 portions of Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay (Marques et al., 2021) (Figure 1). Due to this large
242 extension, the AF boundaries create important ecotones with other vegetation domains such as
243 Cerrado, Caatinga, Chaco and Pampa (Marques et al., 2021). The vegetation from AF is a complex
244 mosaic composed of five main vegetation types—Dense Ombrophilous, Open Ombrophilous,
245 Mixed Ombrophilous, Semideciduous Seasonal and Deciduous Seasonal (Joly et al., 2014).
246 Additionally, the AF also includes mangroves and coastal scrub vegetation (Marques et al., 2021).
247 Furthermore, there are many associated ecosystems such as altitude grasslands (*campos rupestres*

248 and *campos de altitude*), oceanic islands, beaches, rocky shores, dunes, marshes, inland swamps
249 and mountain forest (*brejos de altitude*) in the Northeast region (Scarano, 2002).

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251 **2. Experimental or sampling design**

252 None.

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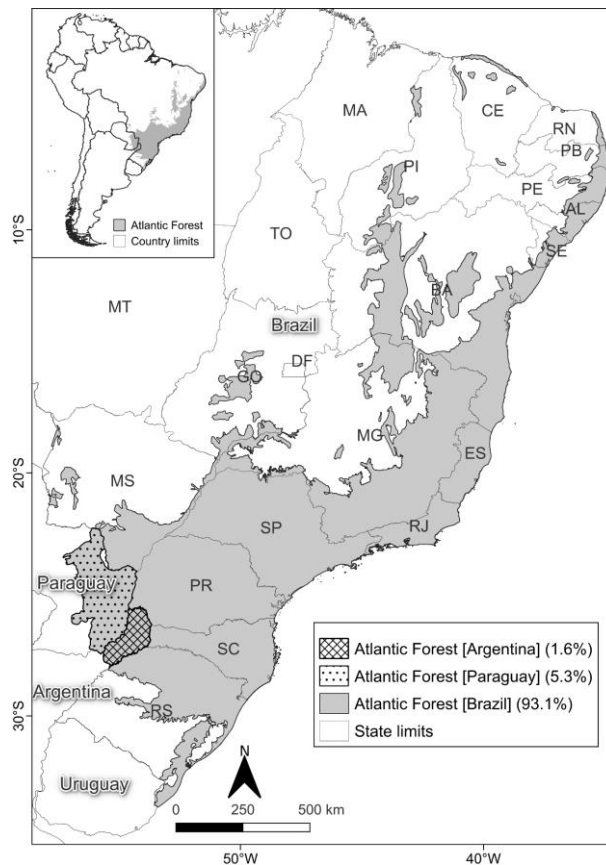
254 **3. Research methods**

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256 *Atlantic Forest delimitation*

257 We used the integrative AF delimitation adapted from Muylaert et al. (2018), a general
258 delimitation encompassing the main proposed delimitations across several associated ecosystems
259 (Muylaert et al. 2018, Cunha et al. 2019, Marques et al. 2021). We adapted this delimitation by
260 merging the following original maps and most recent ones: 1. AF delimitation defined by Brazilian
261 legislation (Federal Decree No. 750/93 and Atlantic Forest Law No. 11,428/2006) named Atlantic
262 Forest Law by IBGE (2018); 2. AF limit defined by (Da Silva and Casteleti 2003); 3. AF
263 delimitation defined by IBGE (2004); 4. AF most recent delimitation defined by IBGE (2019) and;
264 5. AF delimitation defined by (Dinerstein et al. 2017) and used in the Ecoregions 2017[®]
265 (<https://ecoregions.appspot.com>). Finally, we adjusted the resulting delimitation for the coastal
266 areas using the Brazilian territorial delimitation from IBGE (<https://www.ibge.gov.br>) for 2021, to
267 align the limit considering the most current delimitations of mangrove, dunes and sandy coastal
268 plain vegetation (*restinga*) (Scarano 2002). The final delimitation has an area total of 162,742,129
269 ha, that covers 3653 municipalities from 18 Brazilian states (151,470,253 ha, 93.07%), and parts of
270 Argentina (2,668,855 ha, 1.64%) and Paraguay (8,603,022 ha, 5.29%) (Figure 1).

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273 **Figure 1. Integrative Atlantic Forest delimitation, adapted from (Muylaert et al. 2018).**

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275 *Raster resolution and coordinate system*

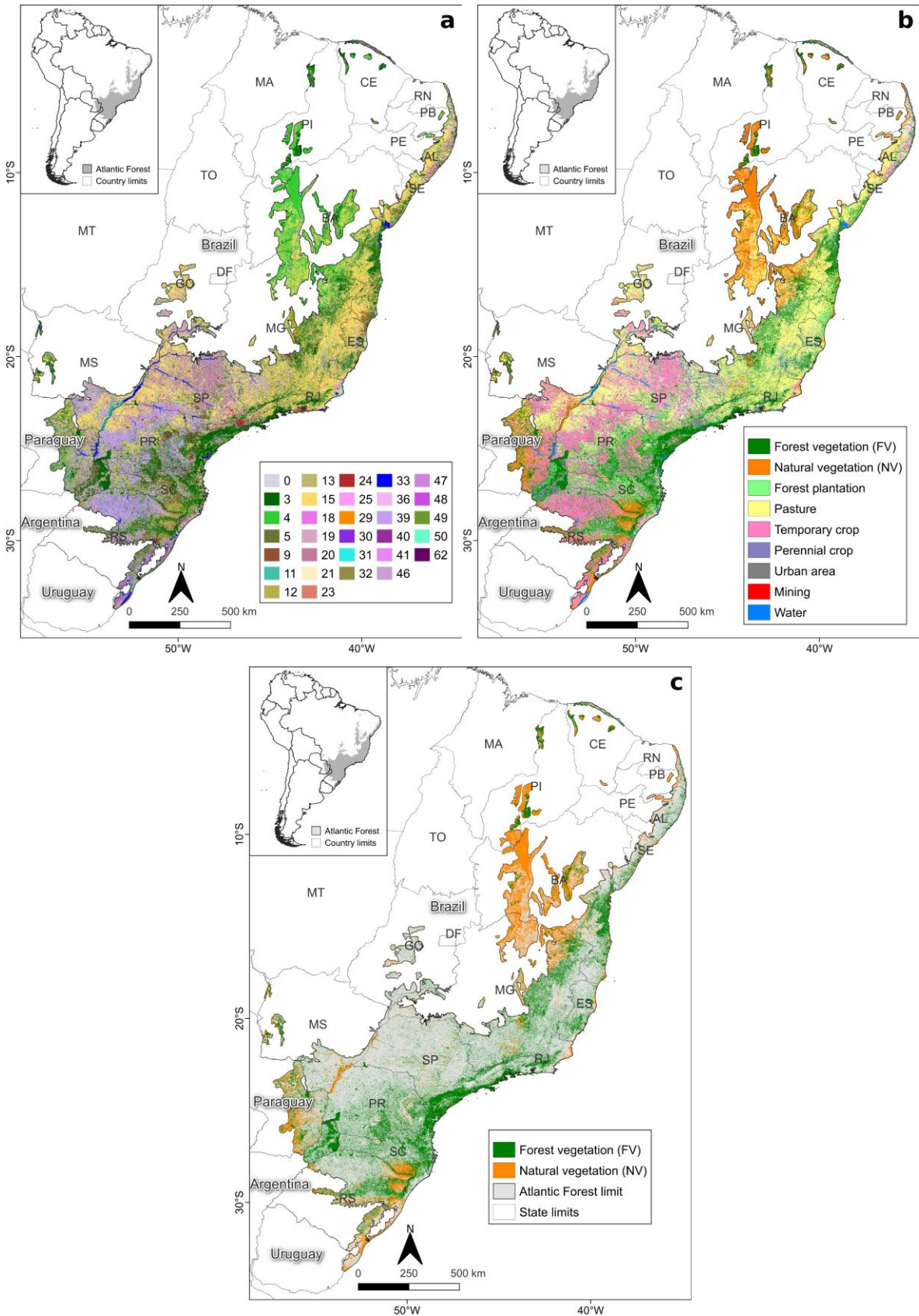
276 All geospatial data sets were rasterized or adjusted the raster resolution to 30 m (~1.8 billion
 277 cells with values). All rasters were reprojected to Albers Conical Equal Area Brazil (SIRGAS 2000)
 278 (<https://spatialreference.org/ref/sr-org/albers-conical-equal-area-brazil-sirgas-2000>) and are
 279 therefore presented in meters.

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281 *Land use and land cover data*

282 We compiled Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) maps from MapBiomias Brazil collection 7
 283 (<https://mapbiomas.org>) and MapBiomias Bosque Atlántico collection 2
 284 (<https://bosqueatlantico.mapbiomas.org>) (Souza et al. 2020). These data sets reconstruct annual
 285 LULC information at the 30-m spatial resolution from 1985 to 2021, based on a pixel-based random
 286 forest classifier of Landsat satellite images processed through Google Earth Engine, and with
 287 posterior accuracy of 89.8% for the AF (Souza et al. 2020). We considered the LULCs map for 2020
 288 to provide the most recent data that included data validation for the previous year (2019) and
 289 subsequent year (2021), guaranteeing better accuracy for the LULC classes.

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294 **Figure 2. Data framework used to summarize land use land cover (LULC) classes into**
 295 **Atlantic Forest habitat types. (a) The LULC classes refer to MapBiomas in the AF (Brazil,**
 296 **Argentina and Paraguay). (b) Grouped land cover classes. (c) Two vegetation classes were**

297 considered as habitat to calculate the landscape metrics. MapBiomass classes are presented in Table
 298 1.

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300 The LULC map from MapBiomass consists of a map with 31 classes (Table 1; Figure 2a). To
 301 calculate the distance from land cover classes metrics, we grouped the classes into seven broad
 302 categories: pasture, temporary crop, perennial crop, forest plantation, urban areas, mining and water
 303 (Table 1; Figure 2b). For the landscape metrics, we defined two vegetation classes for analysis:
 304 “Forest Vegetation” (FV), selecting the land cover classes of “Forest” and “Natural Vegetation”
 305 (NV), selecting the land cover classes of “Forest” and “Non-Forest Natural Formation” (Table 1;
 306 Figure 2c). The only exception for landscape metrics was heterogeneity, for which we used all 31
 307 classes in the calculation.

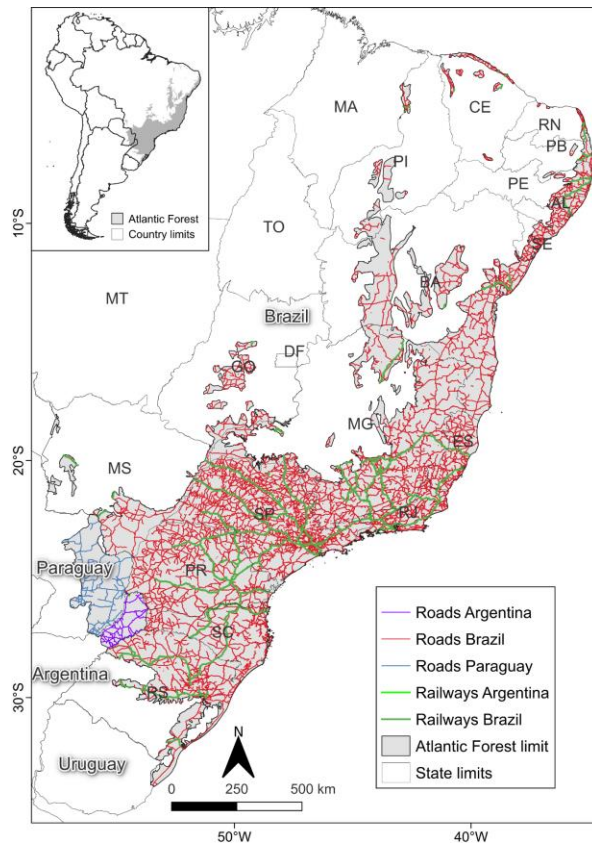
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309 **Table 1. Land use and land cover classes grouped as vegetation classes.** The Atlantic Forest spatial
 310 maps were based on MapBiomass collection 7.

Land use and land cover class	MapBiomass class code	Grouped land cover classes	Vegetation class
Not specified	0	Not used	Not used
Forest Formation	3	Forest vegetation	Forest vegetation (FV) and Natural vegetation (NV)
Savanna Formation	4	Natural vegetation	Natural vegetation (NV)
Mangrove	5	Forest vegetation	Forest vegetation (FV) and Natural vegetation (NV)
Forest Plantation	9	Forest plantation	Not used
Wetland	11	Natural vegetation	Natural vegetation (NV)
Grassland	12	Natural vegetation	Natural vegetation (NV)
Other non-Forest Formations	13	Natural vegetation	Natural vegetation (NV)
Pasture	15	Pasture	Not used
Temporary Crop	19	Temporary crop	Not used
Sugar cane	20	Temporary crop	Not used

Mosaic of Uses	21	Not used	Not used
Non vegetated area	22	Not used	Not used
Beach, Dune and Sand Spot	23	Not used	Not used
Urban Area	24	Urban area	Not used
Other non-Vegetated Areas	25	Not used	Not used
Rocky Outcrop	29	Not used	Not used
Mining	30	Mining	Not used
Aquaculture	31	Not used	Not used
Salt Flat	32	Natural vegetation	Natural vegetation (NV)
River, Lake and Ocean	33	Water	Not used
Perennial Crop	36	Perennial crop	Not used
Soybean	39	Temporary crop	Not used
Rice	40	Temporary crop	Not used
Other Temporary Crops	41	Temporary crop	Not used
Coffee	46	Perennial crop	Not used
Citrus	47	Perennial crop	Not used
Other Perennial Crops	48	Perennial crop	Not used
Wooded Sandbank Vegetation	49	Forest vegetation	Forest vegetation (FV) and Natural vegetation (NV)
Herbaceous Sandbank Vegetation	50	Natural vegetation	Natural vegetation (NV)
Cotton	62	Temporary crop	Not used

312 We used linear infrastructure (roads and railways) to trim FV and NV areas overlapping
 313 with these structures. This way we avoided overestimating large fragments, since roads can
 314 decrease the connectivity of large patches (Martinez Pardo et al. 2023) and for different taxa
 315 (Cassimiro et al. 2023). Roads and railways data were downloaded from official geospatial
 316 databases for the three countries: Brazil (Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística – IBGE;
 317 IBGE, 2021; <https://www.ibge.gov.br>), Argentina (Instituto Geográfico Nacional – IGN; IGN,
 318 2022; <https://www.ign.gob.ar>) and Paraguay (Instituto Nacional de Estadística – INE; INE, 2022;
 319 <https://www.ine.gov.py>). The data summed 14,072 km of railways and 125,483 km of roads, with a
 320 total of 139,554 km (Fig. 3). We did not find official railway data for Paraguay, so there may be an
 321 underestimation of this effect for this country. For Brazil, we selected paved, operational and
 322 constructed roads, and railways that were selected by relative surface position and train section for
 323 2021. For Argentina, we consider national and provincial roads paved for the year of 2021. For
 324 Paraguay, we only considered the main roads (according to the Atlas nomenclature) for the year
 325 2012, without making a distinction regarding the paving of roads, since this information was not
 326 available. The road and railway layers were rasterized using a parameter that creates densified lines,
 327 i.e., all cells touched by the line were included as data for rasterization, which implied in more
 328 densified lines. This guaranteed that the roads and railways would trim the fragments. After the
 329 lines were rasterized, the resulting raster covered 528,983 ha (0.33% from the AF delimitation). We
 330 trimmed the fragments of vegetation from the rasterized data generated (Vancine et al. 2023).
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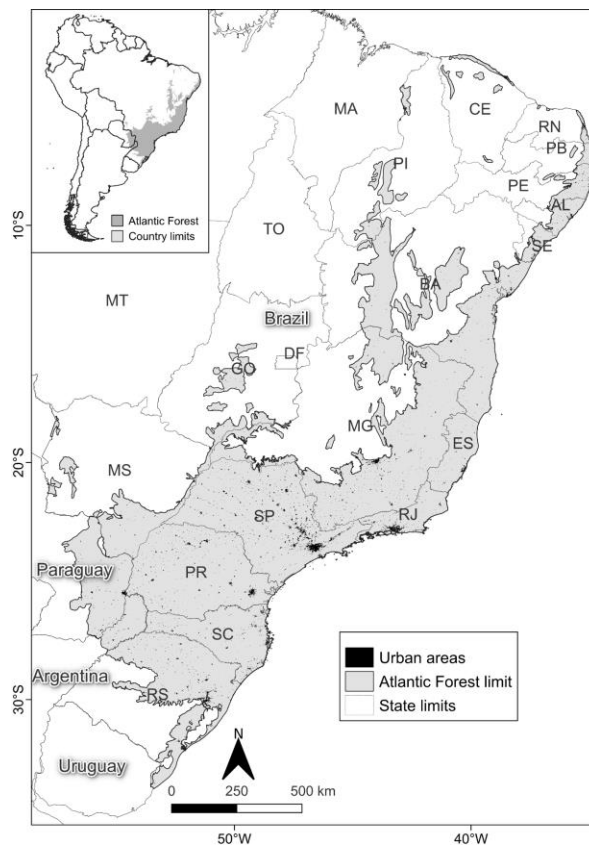
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333 **Figure 3. Linear infrastructure (roads and railways) network used to trim the forest**
334 **vegetation (FV) and native vegetation (NV) fragments within the Atlantic Forest.**

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336 Urban areas for Brazil were selected from MapBiomias. For Argentina, this data was
337 downloaded from Instituto Geográfico Nacional (Instituto Geográfico Nacional – IGN,
338 <https://www.ign.gob.ar>) and for Paraguay from Instituto Nacional de Estadística (Instituto Nacional
339 de Estadística – INE, <https://www.ine.gov.py>) (Fig. 4), and covered 2,401,850 ha (1.48% from the
340 AF limit).

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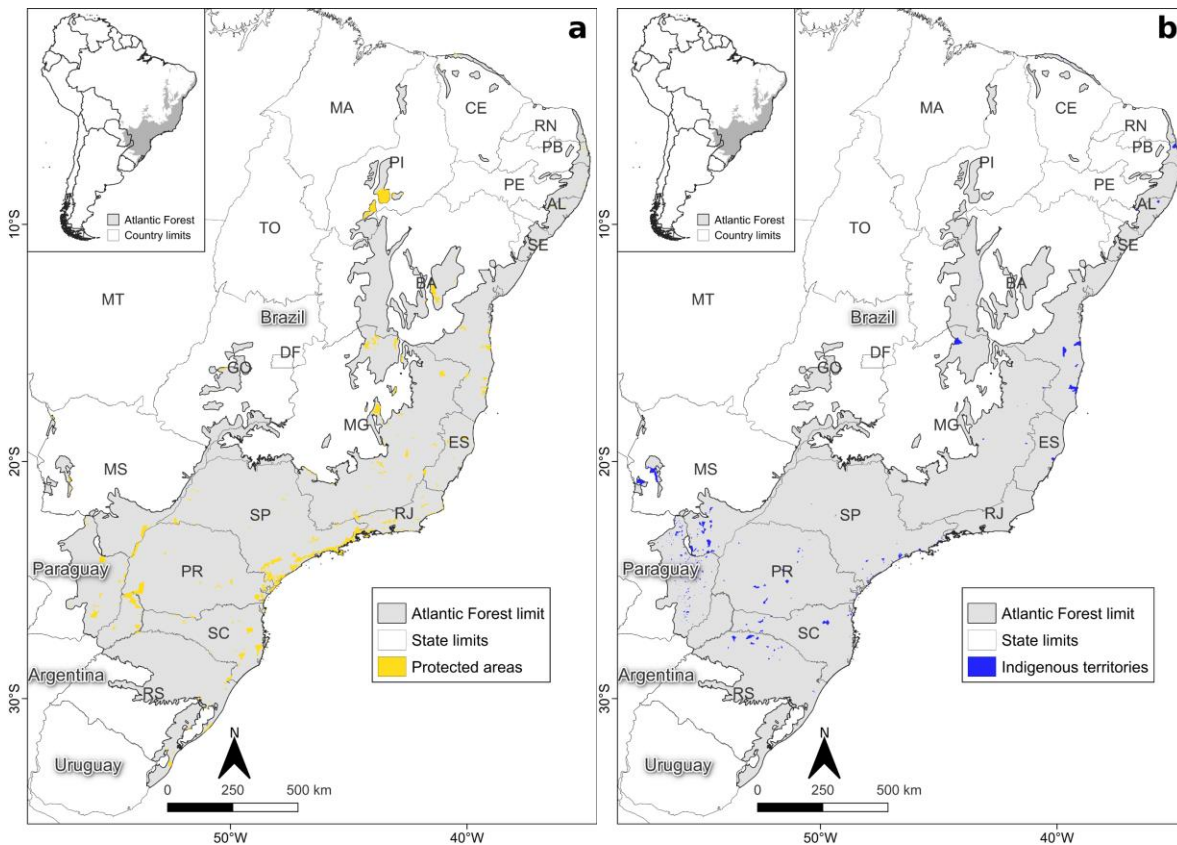
343 **Figure 4. Urban areas within the Atlantic Forest.**

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345 *Protected areas and indigenous territories*

346 The limits of the protected areas (PA) were downloaded from Protected Planet (UNEP-
347 WCMC and IUCN, 2022, www.protectedplanet.net) for the IUCN categories of protected areas
348 (“Ia”, “Ib”, “II”, “III” and “IV”), which comprises 986 reserves (4,620,245 ha; 2.84% from AF
349 limit) (Fig. 5a). These IUCN categories encompass the following protection categories of the
350 Argentina (Municipal Nature Park, National Park, Nature Monument, Private Refuge, Private
351 Wildlife Refuge, Provincial Park, Strict Nature Reserve, Wilderness Nature Reserve and Wildlife
352 Reserve), Brazil (Area of Relevant Ecological Interest, Biological Reserve, Ecological Station,
353 Natural Heritage Private Reserve, Natural Monument, Park, Ramsar Site, Wetland of International

354 Importance, Wildlife Refuge) and Paraguay (National Park, Natural Private Reserve, Natural
355 Reserve, Scientific Monument and Scientific Reserve). Indigenous territories (IT) for Brazil were
356 downloaded from Fundação Nacional dos Povos Indígenas (Fundação Nacional dos Povos
357 Indígenas, 2020, <https://www.gov.br/funai/pt-br>) selecting only “Homologated”, and for Paraguay
358 from Tierras Indígenas (Tierras Indígenas, 2022, <https://www.tierrasindigenas.org>), which
359 comprises 1023 territories (1,324,973 ha; 0.81% from AF limit) (Fig. 5b).
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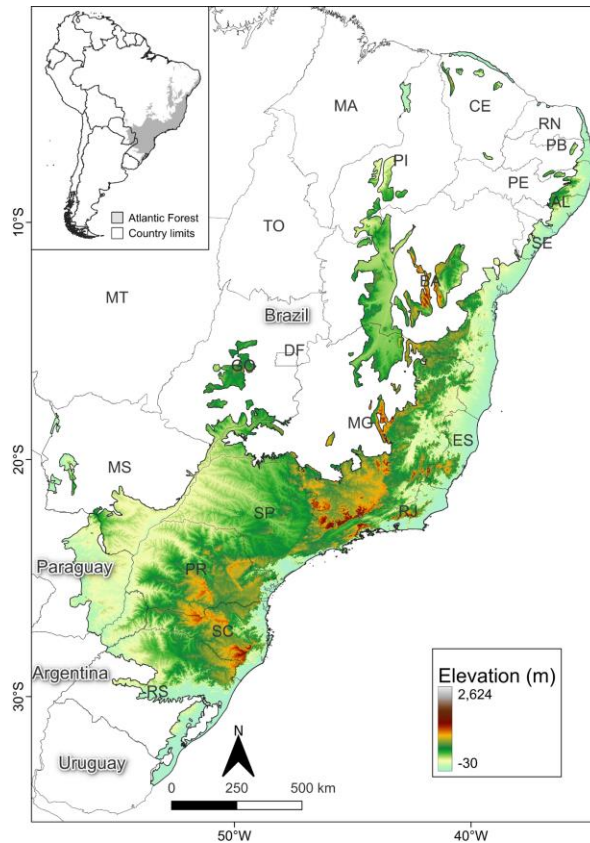


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362 **Figure 5. Protected areas (PA) (a) and indigenous territories (IT) (b) within the Atlantic**
363 **Forest.**

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365 *Topography data*

366 Topographic metrics were calculated from FABDEM v1.2 (forest and buildings removed
367 Copernicus DEM), an elevation raster map that used machine learning to remove buildings and tree
368 height biases from the Copernicus GLO 30 Digital Elevation Model (DEM) (Hawker et al. 2022)
369 (Figure 6).

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372 **Figure 6. Elevation (meters above sea level) from FABDEM v1.2 across the Atlantic Forest.**

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374 *Data set source description*

375 Table 2 summarizes all the sources and descriptions of spatial information used to integrate
 376 spatial variables presented in the ATLANTIC SPATIAL data set.

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378 **Table 2. Source and description of spatial information.**

Type of information	Institution	Description
Land Use and Land Cover (LULC)	MapBiomias	Annual LULC information at the 30-m spatial resolution from 1985 to 2021, based on pixel-based random forest classifier of Landsat satellite images using Google Earth Engine. Source: Souza et al. (2020) Site: https://mapbiomas.org

Roads and railways	<p>Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística (IBGE)</p> <p>Instituto Geográfico Nacional (IGN)</p> <p>Instituto Nacional de Estadística (INE)</p>	<p>Continuous Cartographic Base of Brazil, 1:250,000.</p> <p>Catalog of Geographical Objects of the Organism and forms part of the Institutional Geospatial Database.</p> <p>Digital Cartography 2012, Directorate General of Statistics, Surveys and Censuses and is merely referential.</p> <p>Sources: Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística (IBGE); Instituto Geográfico Nacional (IGN); and Instituto Nacional de Estadística (INE)</p> <p>Sites: https://www.ibge.gov.br; https://www.ign.gob.ar; and https://www.ine.gov.py</p>
Urban areas	<p>MapBiomias</p> <p>Instituto Geográfico Nacional (IGN)</p> <p>Instituto Nacional de Estadística (INE)</p>	<p>Annual LULC information at the 30-m spatial resolution from 1985 to 2021, based on pixel-based random forest classifier of Landsat satellite images using Google Earth Engine.</p> <p>Catalog of Geographical Objects of the Organism and forms part of the Institutional Geospatial Database.</p> <p>Digital Cartography 2012, Directorate General of Statistics, Surveys and Censuses and is merely referential.</p>

		<p>Sources: Souza et al. (2020), Instituto Geográfico Nacional (IGN) and Instituto Nacional de Estadística (INE)</p> <p>Sites: https://mapbiomas.org, https://www.ign.gob.ar and https://www.ine.gov.py</p>
Protected areas	Protected Planet	<p>Up-to-date and complete source of data on protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, updated monthly with submissions from governments, non-governmental organizations, landowners and communities.</p> <p>Source: Protected Planet Site: www.protectedplanet.net</p>
Indigenous territories	<p>Fundação Nacional dos Povos Indígenas (FUNAI)</p> <p>Tierras Indígenas</p>	<p>Official indigenist body of the Brazilian State, which promotes studies of identification, delimitation, demarcation, land regularization and registration of lands occupied by indigenous peoples, in addition to monitoring and inspecting indigenous lands.</p> <p>Interactive online platform that provides accurate maps and critical information on the lands and territories of indigenous peoples and communities in Paraguay.</p>

		Sources: FUNAI and Tierras Indígenas Sites: https://www.gov.br/funai/pt-br and https://www.tierrasindigenas.org
Topography	Forest and Buildings Removed Copernicus DEM (FABDEM) v1.2	Elevation raster map that used machine learning to remove building and tree height biases from the Copernicus GLO 30 Digital Elevation Model (DEM) Source: Hawker et al. (2022) Site: https://www.fathom.global/product/fabdem

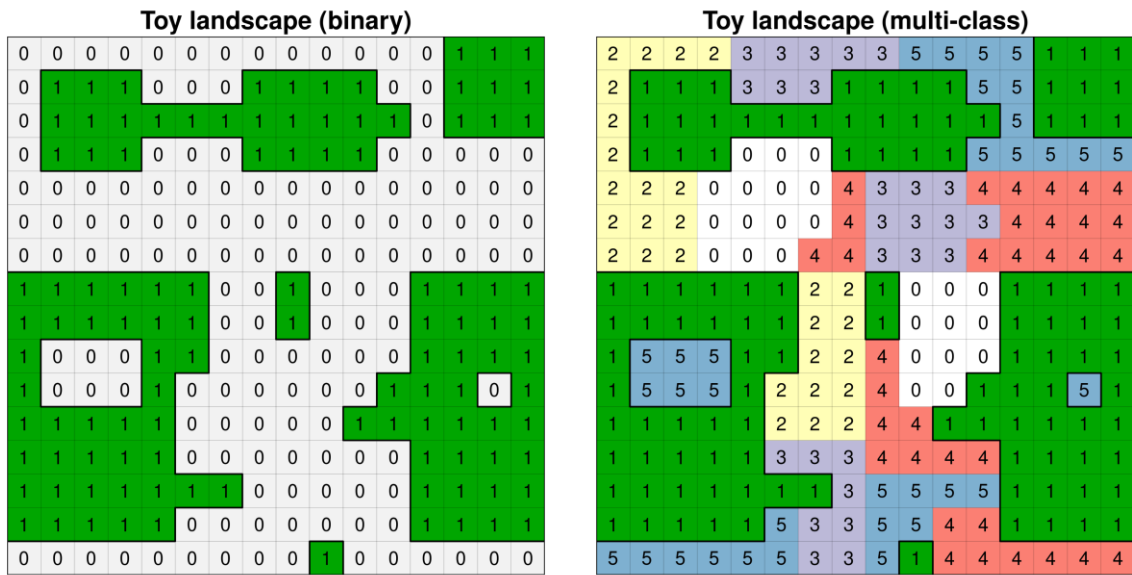
Landscape metrics

379 We calculated 39 landscape metrics of nine types (Table 3) based on the habitat map (binary
380 habitat/non-habitat map, Figure 2c) of FV and NV and multi-class map (31 classes, Figure 2a). The
381 values of the landscape metrics were spatialized to the cells. The metrics derived from FV and NV
382 were based on data trimmed by linear structure (roads and railways). Here, to exemplify the method
383 used for calculating of landscape metrics, we display two toy landscapes (Fletcher and Fortin 2018):
384 a binary raster and a multi-class raster (Figure 7).

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386 **Toy landscapes (Figure 7):** two raster layers (16×16 cells with spatial resolution of 100 m). Cells of
387 the toy landscape (binary) were filled with 0 and 1 values, where 0 represents not-habitat and 1
388 represents habitat. For the toy landscape (multi-class), cells were filled with values from 0 to 5, where
389 each value represents a different LULC class.

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 392 **Figure 7. Toy landscapes.** Toy landscape (binary, on the left) has 0 and 1 values (non-
 393 habitat/habitat) and toy landscape (multi-class, on the right) has values from 0 to 5 (land cover
 394 classes). Each cell has 100 m of resolution.

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Table 3. Landscape metrics used and their description. Edge depth is the minimum distance at which cells are classified as edges, those that are further away are classified as cores. Gap-crossing considers the ability of an organism to cross non-habitat gaps, characterizing the distance to functional connectivity. Scale is the radius of the buffer to which the moving window is rotated to impute the effect of different scales on landscape metrics.

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
1. Fragment ID	Fragment	Fragment identification (cells clumped in its vicinity, considering the 8 neighboring cells)	Units	None	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
2. Fragment area	Fragment	Fragment area (sum of the area of all cells belonging to each fragment ID)	Hectares	None	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
3. Percentage of fragments	Fragment	Percentage of fragments in the vicinity (average neighborhood values for different buffer sizes)	0 to 100	None	None	50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500, 5000, 7500, 10000	McGarigal et al. (2023)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
4. Patch ID	Patch	Patch identification (cells clumped in its vicinity, considering the 8 neighboring cells), discarding branches and corridors	Units	30	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
5. Patch area	Patch	Patch area (sum of the area of all cells belonging to each patch ID), discarding branches and corridors	Hectares	30	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
6. Patch area original	Patch	Patch area assigned to the original fragment. Here each cell of a fragment will be assigned the value of the sum of the areas of all patches contained in the	Hectares	30	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
		fragment					
7. Number of patches	Patch	Number of patches (number of patch ID within a fragment) assigned to the original fragment. Here each cell of a fragment will be assigned the value number of patches contained in the fragment	Units	30	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
8. Morphology	Morphology	Identifies landscape morphologies: matrix (0), core (1), edge (2), corridor (3), stepping stone (4), branch (5) and perforation (6)	0 to 6	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt (2009)
9. Matrix	Morphology	Identify matrix	0 and 1	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
		(non-habitat cells = 1)					(2009)
10. Core	Morphology	Identify fragment cores (core cells = 1)	0 and 1	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt (2009)
11. Edge	Morphology	Identify fragment edges (external edge cells = 1)	0 and 1	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt (2009)
12. Corridor	Morphology	Identify corridors (linear elements that connect core cells = 1)	0 and 1	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt (2009)
13. Branch	Morphology	Identify branches (linear elements that do not connect core cells = 1)	0 and 1	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt (2009)
14. Stepping stone	Morphology	Identify stepping stones (isolated small elements without core cells = 1)	0 and 1	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt (2009)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
15. Perforation	Morphology	Identify perforations (edge that compose the internal edge of a fragment = 1)	0 and 1	30	None	None	Soille and Vogt (2009)
16. Core	Core and edge	Identify core cells (core = 1)	0 and 1	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
17. Core ID	Core and edge	Core identification (core cells clumped in its vicinity, considering the 8 neighboring cells)	Units	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
18. Core area	Core and edge	Core area (sum of the area of all core cells belonging to that core ID)	Hectares	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
19. Core area original	Core and edge	Core area assigned to the original fragment. Here each cell of a	Hectares	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
		fragment will be assigned the value total area of all cores contained in the fragment					
20. Number of cores	Core and edge	Number of cores within a fragment. Here each cell of a fragment will be assigned the value number of cores contained in the fragment	Units	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
21. Edge	Core and edge	Identify edge cells (edge = 1). This includes both external and internal edges (perforations)	0 and 1	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
22. Edge ID	Core and edge	Edge identification (cells clumped in its vicinity, considering the	Units	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
		8 neighboring cells)					
23. Edge area	Core and edge	Edge area (sum of the area of all edge cells belonging to that edge ID)	Hectares	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
24. Edge area original	Core and edge	Edge area assigned to the original fragment. Here each cell of a fragment will be assigned the value total area edge in the fragment	Hectares	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
25. Percentage of core	Core and edge	Percentage of core cells within the vicinity (average neighborhood values for different buffer sizes)	0 to 100	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500	McGarigal et al. (2023)
26. Percentage of edges	Core and edge	Percentage of edge cells in the	0 to 100	30, 60, 90, 120, 240	None	50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 500,	McGarigal et al. (2023)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
		vicinity (average neighborhood values for different buffer sizes)				750, 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500	
27. Perimeter	Perimeter	Perimeter (number of cells sides of a fragment facing the matrix, including any internal holes)	Meters	30	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
28. Perimeter-area ratio	Perimeter	Perimeter-area ratio (ratio between fragment perimeter and fragment area)	0 to infinity	30	None	None	McGarigal et al. (2023)
29. Distance inside	Distance	Euclidean distance to the nearest fragment edge cell, inside the fragment	Meters	None	None	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
30. Distance outside	Distance	Euclidean distance to the nearest fragment	Meters	None	None	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
		edge cell, outside the fragment					
31. Distance	Distance	Euclidean distance to the nearest fragment edge cell, both inside (negative) and outside (positive) the fragment	Meters	None	None	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
32. Structural connectivity	Structural connectivity	Structural connectivity (represents the area of habitat structurally connected to a patch, taking into account corridors, branches and possibly other patches, but disregarding the area of the own patch)	Hectares	30	None	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
33. Structurally	Structural	Structurally	Hectares	30	None	None	Ribeiro et al.

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
connected area	connectivity	connected area (calculated from the original fragment, where the structural connectivity of the patches was associated with the fragment)					(2009)
34. Functionally connected dilation	Functional connectivity	Functionally connected dilation (fragments dilate by half the value of the organism's gap-crossing capacity)	Hectares	None	60, 120, 180, 240, 300, 600	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
35. Functionally connected ID	Functional connectivity	Functionally connected identification (fragments that are at the shortest distance from the gap-crossing are grouped, receiving the	Hectares	None	60, 120, 180, 240, 300, 600	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
		same ID)					
36. Functionally connected area	Functional connectivity	Functionally connected area (area of these fragments with the same ID was summed)	Hectares	None	60, 120, 180, 240, 300, 600	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
37. Functional connectivity	Functional connectivity	Functional connectivity (difference between the functionally connected area and the fragment size)	Hectares	None	60, 120, 180, 240, 300, 600	None	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
38. Landscape Shannon diversity	Landscape diversity	Landscape Shannon diversity (consider the number of classes in each class cell within the window of analysis for Shannon index)	0 to infinity	None	None	50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 1500, 2000	Rocchini et al. (2013)
39. Landscape Simpson	Landscape diversity	Landscape Simpson	0 to 1	None	None	50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 500,	Rocchini et al. (2013)

Metric	Metric type	Short description	Values	Edge depth (in meters)	Gap-crossing (in meters)	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
diversity		diversity (consider the number of classes in each class cell within the window of analysis for Shannon index)				750, 1000, 1500, 2000	

Fragment area metrics (Figure 8): considering a binary habitat map, all cells of habitat were clumped with other cells of habitat in its vicinity (considering the 8 neighboring cells). Each clump of habitat was called a fragment and was given an ID (**Metric 1: Fragment ID**). For each fragment ID, its area (**Metric 2: Fragment area**) was calculated as the sum of the area of all cells belonging to that fragment ID. The unit used to calculate the area is hectares. Non-habitat cells are returned as NULL values.

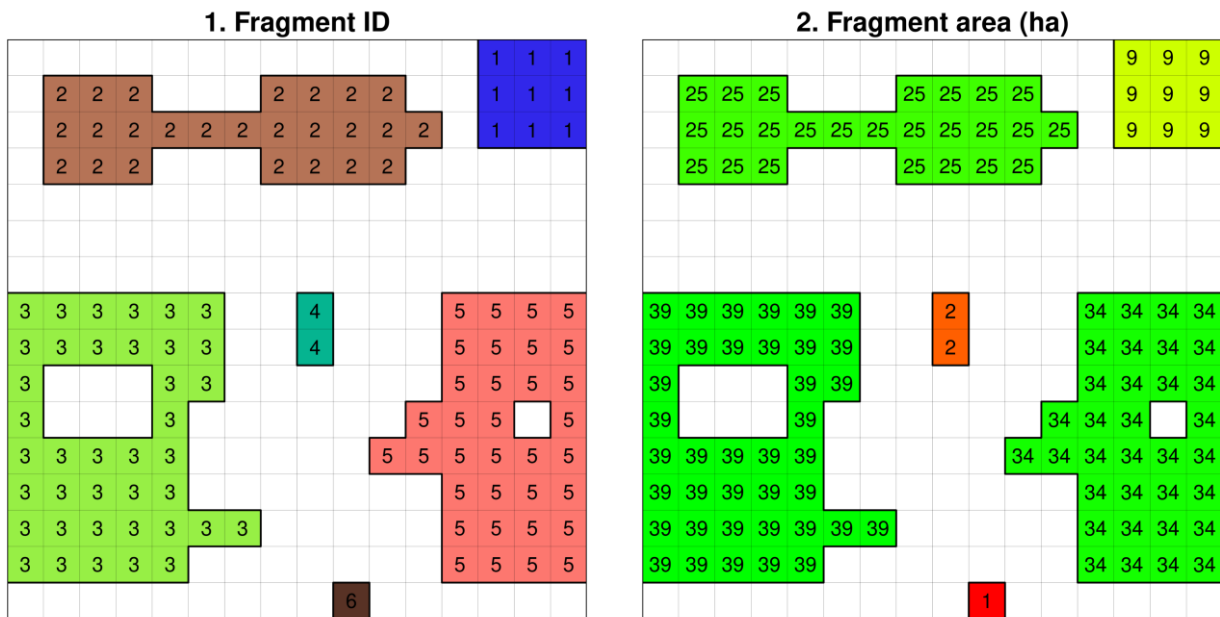


Figure 8. Fragment area metrics. Metric 1: Fragment ID is the fragment identification. Metric 2: Fragment area (ha) is the fragment area calculated in hectares. Each cell has 100 m of side length in the toy landscape.

Percentage of fragments metric (Figure 9): considering a binary habitat map, each cell of the map presented a value of the percentage of fragments within a circular window with a given size, centered in the focal cell (amount of habitat cells/total number of cells in the window). It varies between 0% and 100% (**Metric 3: Percentage of fragments**). Buffer radius represented half the size of a circular window, e.g., for a buffer size of 50 m, the window size was 100 m. Buffer radii used: 50 m, 100 m, 150 m, 200 m, 250 m, 500 m, 750 m, 1,000 m, 1,500 m, 2,000 m, 2,500 m, 5,000 m, 7,500 m, 10,000 m.

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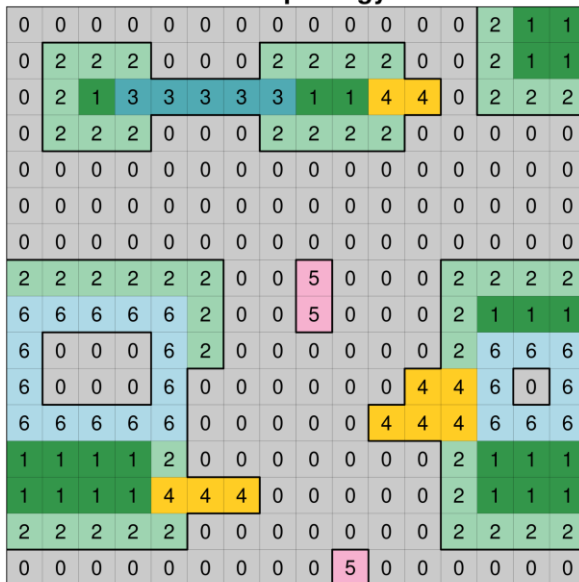
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25	80	100	100	60	60	60	100	100	100	100	40	40	60	80	75
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75	80	80	80	60	40	20	0	0	20	0	20	60	80	80	75
33	25	25	25	25	0	0	0	25	25	25	0	25	25	25	33

Figure 9. Percentage of fragments metric. Metric 3: fragment percentage for a buffer radius of 100 m (i.e., a circular window with 200 m size), as illustration in the toy landscape.

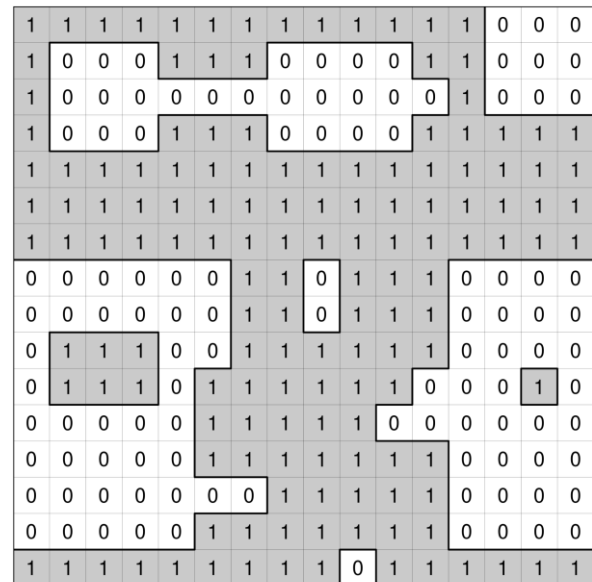
Patch area metrics (Figure 10): considering a binary habitat map, these metrics are equivalent to the fragment area metric, but discards habitat branches and corridors that are closer than a given edge depth from the edge between the fragment and the matrix. The result is a map of clusters (considering the 8 neighboring cells) of cells, which does not consider corridors or branches. Each habitat cluster was called a patch and given an ID (**Metric 4: Patch ID**). For each patch ID, its area (**Metric 5: Patch area**) was calculated as the sum of the area of all cells belonging to that patch ID. The patch area has also been attributed to the original fragment ID, which sums the area of all patches belonging to the same fragment (**Metric 6: Patch area original**). The amount of different patch IDs for a fragment is also calculated (**Metric 7: Number of patches**). Edge depths considered: 30 m. The unit used to calculate the area was hectares. Non-habitat cells were assigned with NULL values.

than the chosen edge depth, but are not corridor, branch, stepping stone or perforation (**Metric 11: Edge**). Corridors are edge cells that connect two or more core cells (**Metric 12: Corridor**). Branches are edge cells that do not connect cores (**Metric 13: Branch**). Stepping stones are edge cells that do not have core cells inside them (**Metric 14: Stepping stone**). Perforations are edge cells that compose the internal edge of a fragment (**Metric 15: Perforation**). Edge depths considered: 30 m.

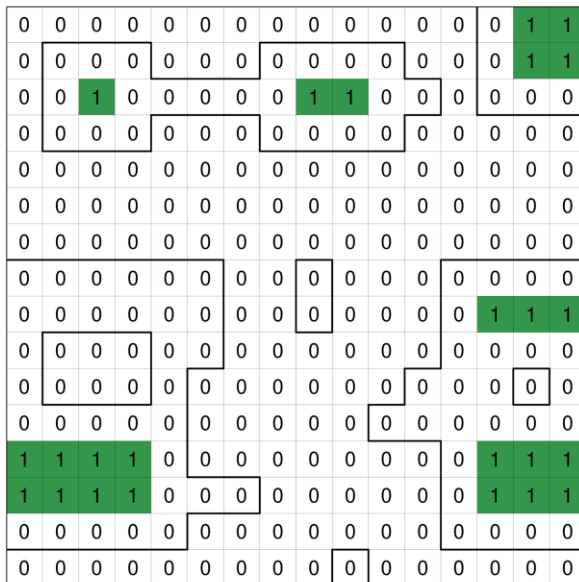
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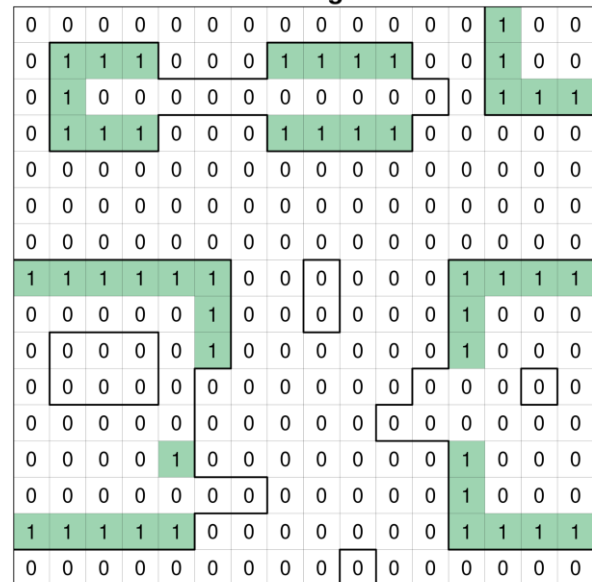
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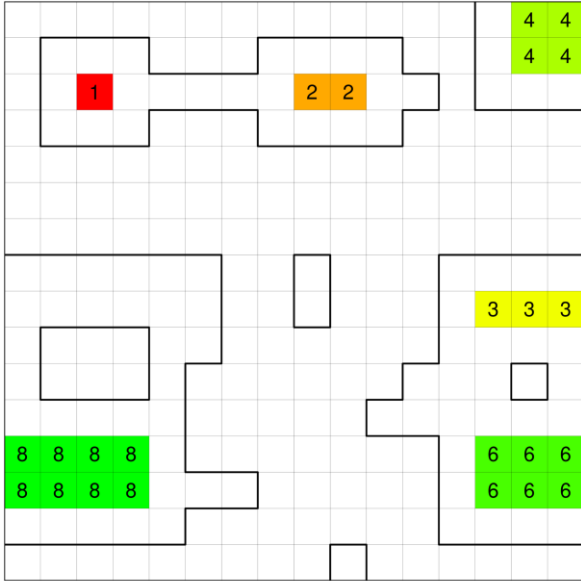
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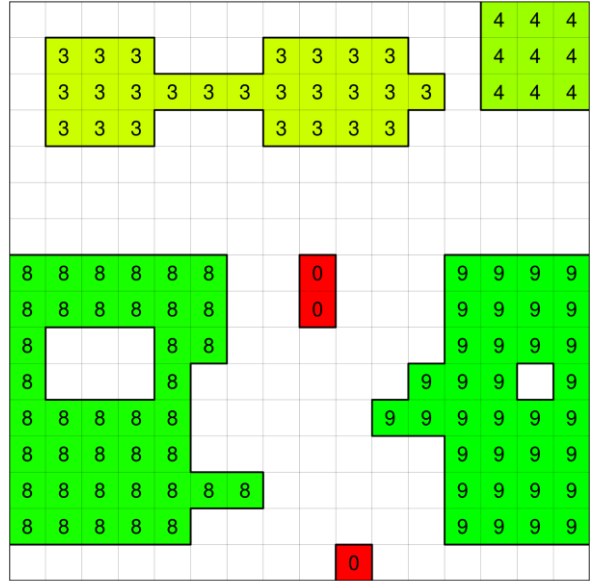
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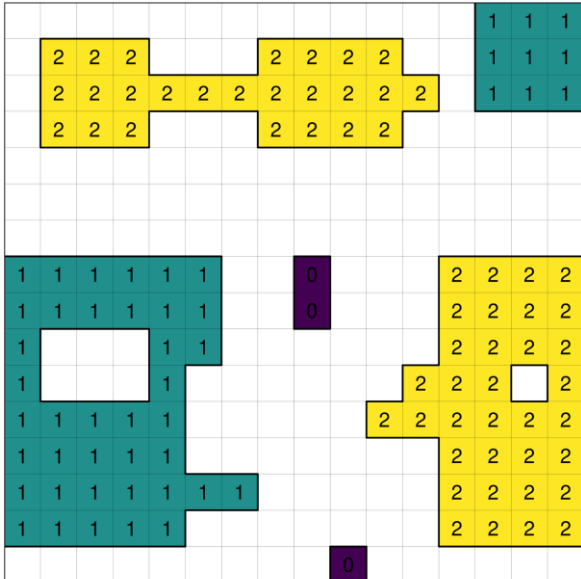
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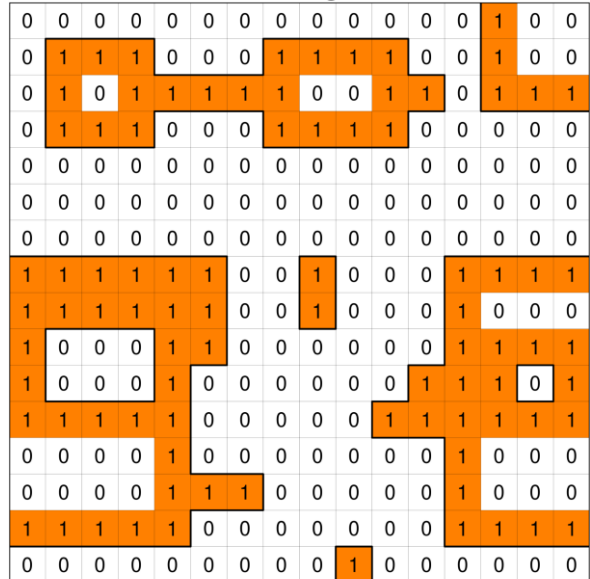
19. Core area original (ha)



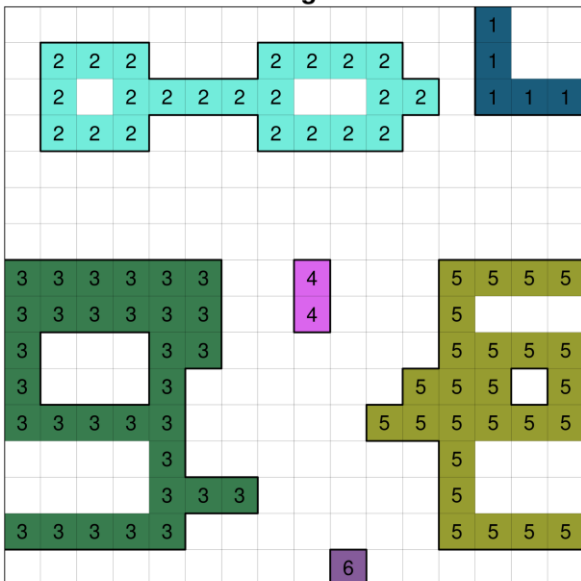
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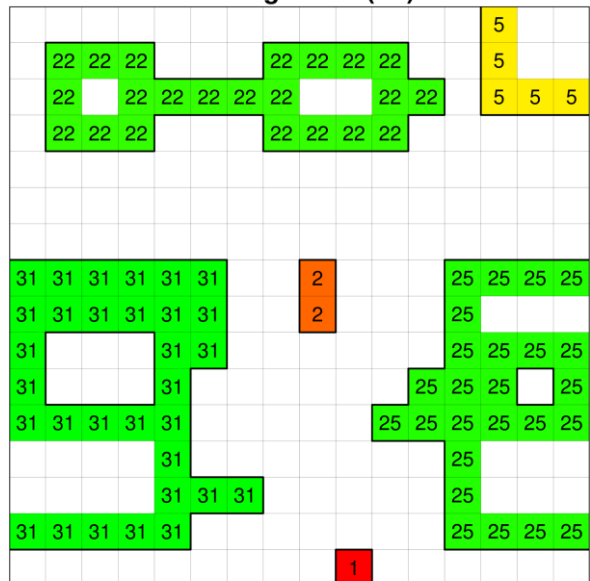
21. Edge



22. Edge ID



23. Edge area (ha)



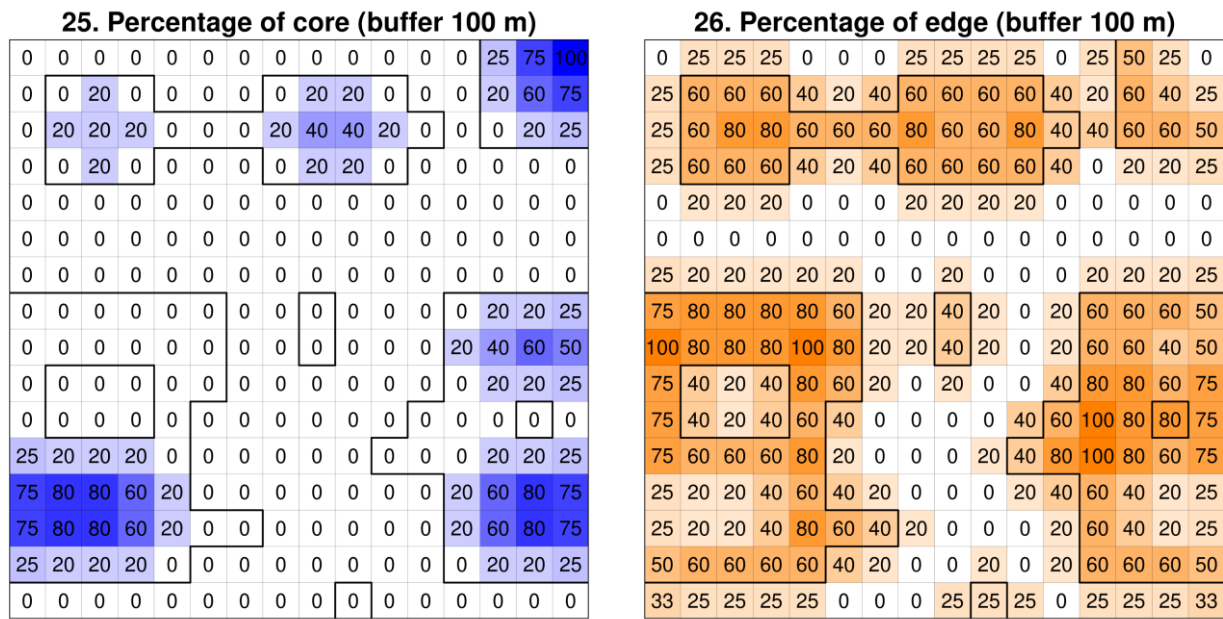


Figure 13. Percentage of core and edge metrics. Metric 25: Percentage of core and Metric 26: Percentage of edge for a circular window with 100 m size, as an illustrative example in the toy landscape.

Perimeter metrics (Figure 14): considering a binary habitat map, the perimeter is the number of cells sides of a fragment facing the matrix, including any internal holes, in meters (**Metric 27: Perimeter**). Perimeter-area ratio is the ratio between fragment perimeter and fragment area, without a measurement unit (**Metric 28: Perimeter-area ratio**). This is a simple measure of shape complexity, the higher its value, the greater the complexity of the fragment shape. A limitation in using this metric as a shape complexity index is that it varies with the area of the fragment. For example, holding shape constant, an increase in fragment area will cause a decrease in the perimeter-area ratio. Edge depths considered: 30 m. Non-habitat cells were assigned with NULL values.

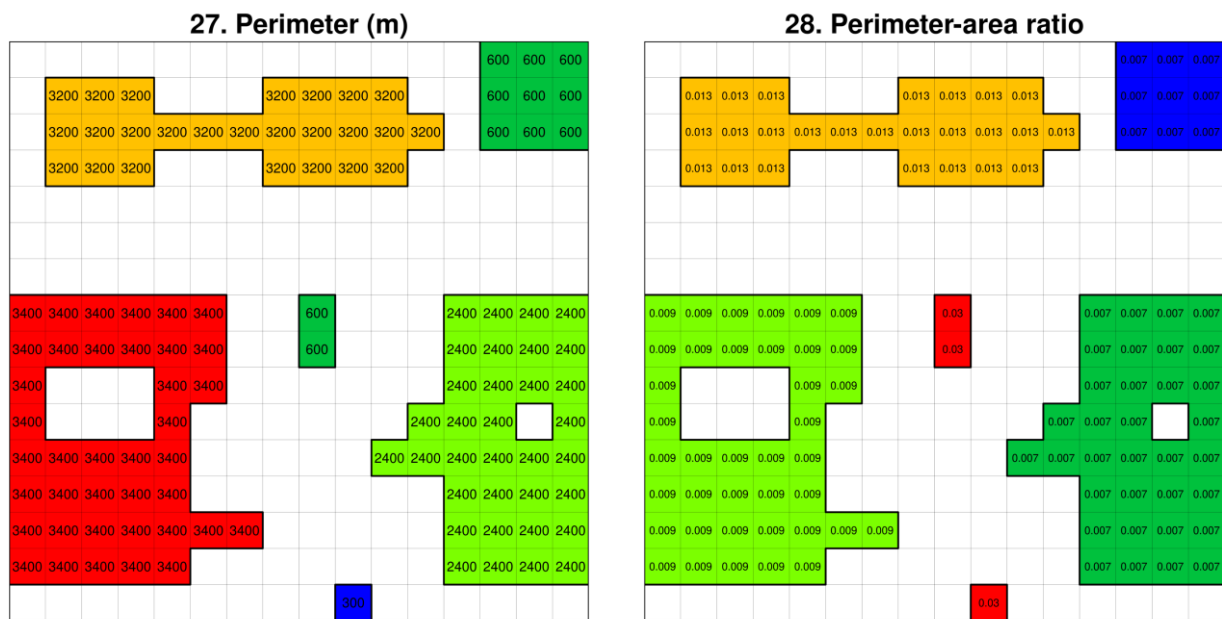


Figure 14. Perimeter metrics. Metric 27: Perimeter (m) is the number of pixel sides of a fragment facing the matrix. Metric 28: Perimeter-area ratio is a shape complexity metric.

Distance metrics (Figure 15): considering a binary habitat map, these metrics are based on maps of Euclidean distance inside and outside from habitat edges, in meters. Each cell outside habitat (matrix, non-habitat) was given a positive value equal to the distance to the nearest habitat cell edge (**Metric 29: Distance outside**). Cells inside habitat were given a negative value, corresponding to the distance to the nearest edge with matrix cells (**Metric 30: Distance inside**). Inside and outside distances were combined in a metric by summing outside and inside distance metrics, only for FV and NV (**Metric 31: Distance**).

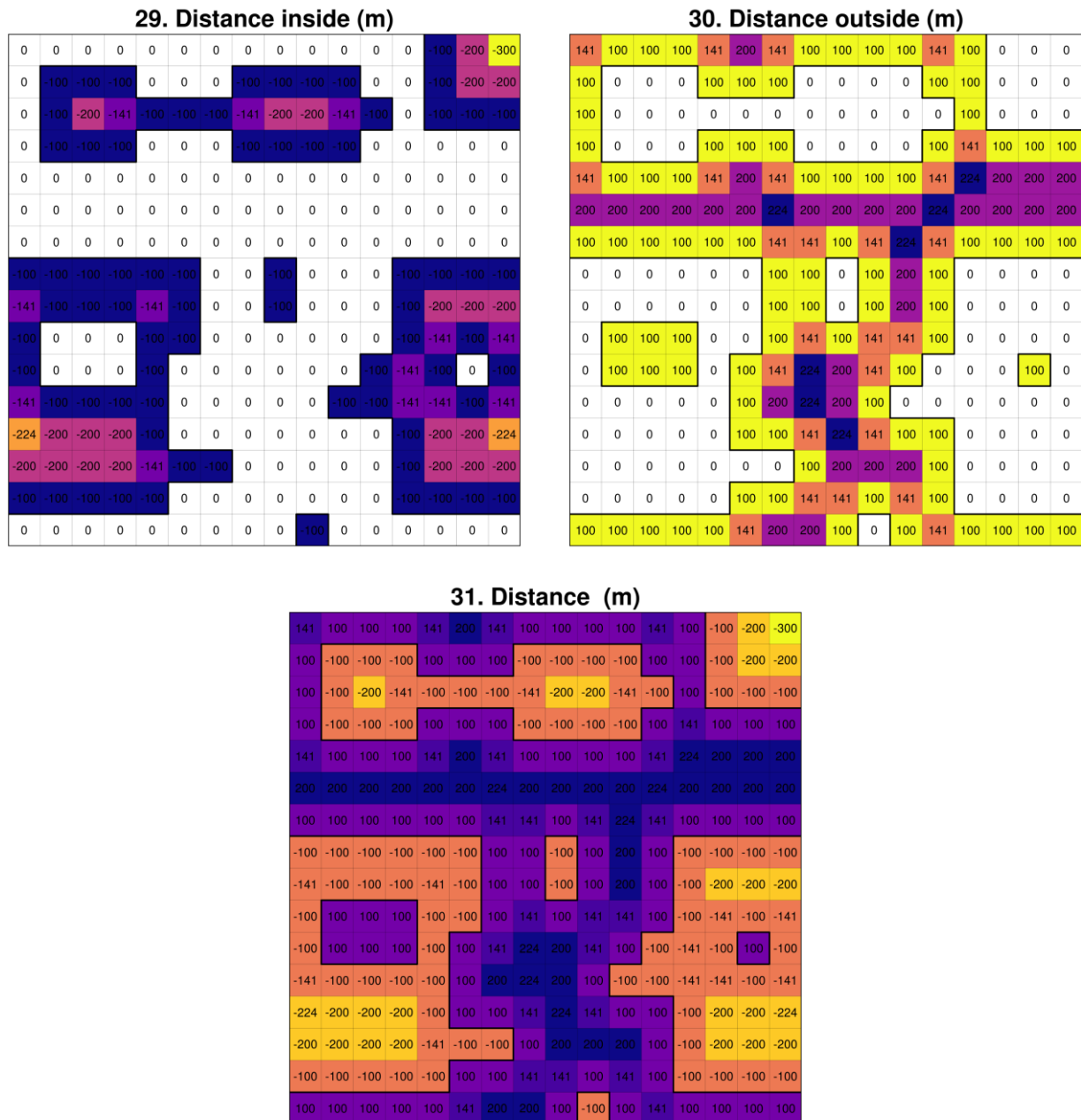


Figure 15. Distance metrics. Metric 29: Distance inside (m) is the distance inside from habitat with negative values. Metric 30: Distance outside (m) is the outside distance from habitat with positive values. Metric 31: Distance (m) is the distance to habitat (FV and NV only) resulting from summing Distance inside (m) and Distance outside (m).

Structural connectivity metrics (Figure 16): considering a binary habitat map, these metrics represent the area of habitat structurally connected to a patch, considering corridors, branches and possibly other patches (if the corridor connects these patches). In practice, it is calculated as the difference between the fragment area and the patch area. When a patch has no corridors or branches, its structural connectivity equals zero (i.e., it is not structurally connected to any other habitat). Each

patch cell is assigned a structural connectivity value (**Metric 32: Structural connectivity**). The structural connected area was calculated from the original fragment, where the structural connectivity of the patches was associated with the fragment (**Metric 33: Connected structural area**). The definition of structural connectivity depends on what is considered patch, corridor and branch, so this metric depends on the edge depth value considered. For the AF the depth of the chosen edge was 30 m. The unit used to calculate the area was hectares. Non-habitat cells were assigned with NULL values.

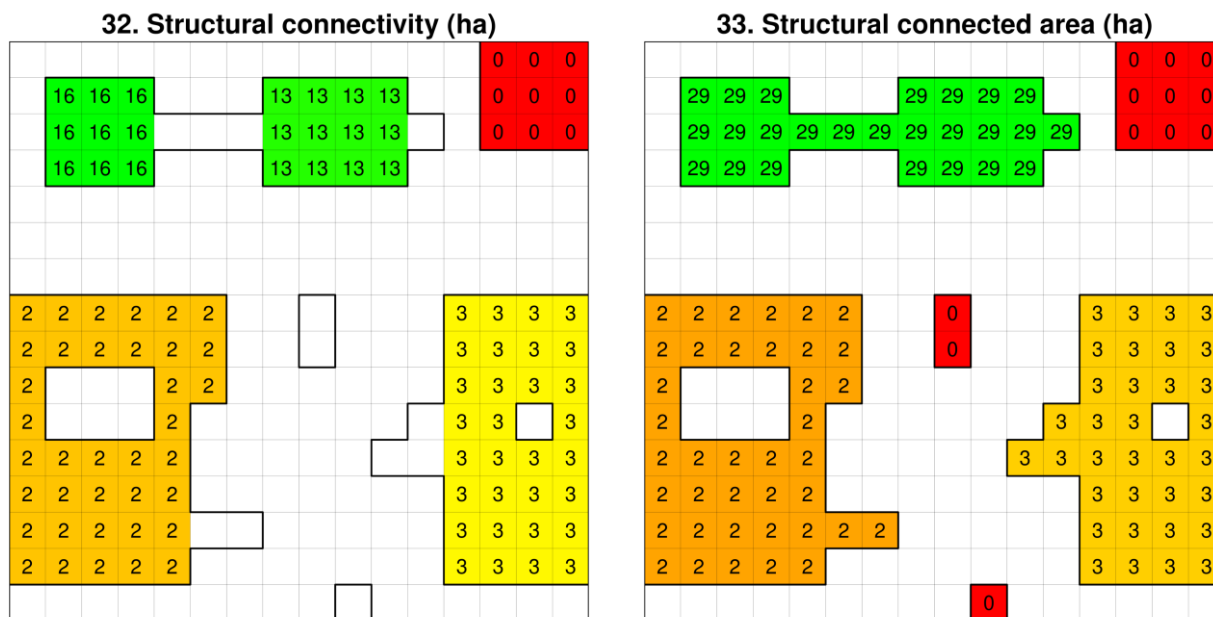


Figure 16. Structural connectivity metrics. Metric 32: Structural connectivity (ha) is the area of habitat structurally connected to a patch only for patches in hectares. Metric 33: Structural connected area (ha) is the area of structurally connected habitat to fragments in hectares.

Functional connectivity metrics (Figure 17): considering a binary habitat map, these metrics represent the habitat area functionally linked to a fragment, considering the ability of an organism to cross non-habitat gaps (gap-crossing value). First, the fragments are expanded/dilated by half the value of the organism's gap-crossing capacity (e.g., if an organism crosses 200 m, the fragments will be dilated by 100 m along their entire perimeter) (**Metric 34: Functionally connected dilation**). Then, the fragments that are at the shortest distance from the gap-crossing are grouped, receiving the same ID (**Metric 35: Functionally connected ID**). Then, the area of these fragments with the same ID was summed (**Metric 36: Functionally connected area**). Finally, to obtain the functional connectivity, the difference between the functionally connected area and the fragment area was calculated, representing how much habitat is accessible from a habitat fragment for an organism with a given gap-crossing ability, excluding the area of the very same fragment (**Metric 37: Functional**

connectivity). Crossing capacities considered for the AF: 60 m, 120 m, 180 m, 240 m, 300 m, 600 m. The unit used to calculate the area was hectares. Non-habitat cells were assigned with NULL values.

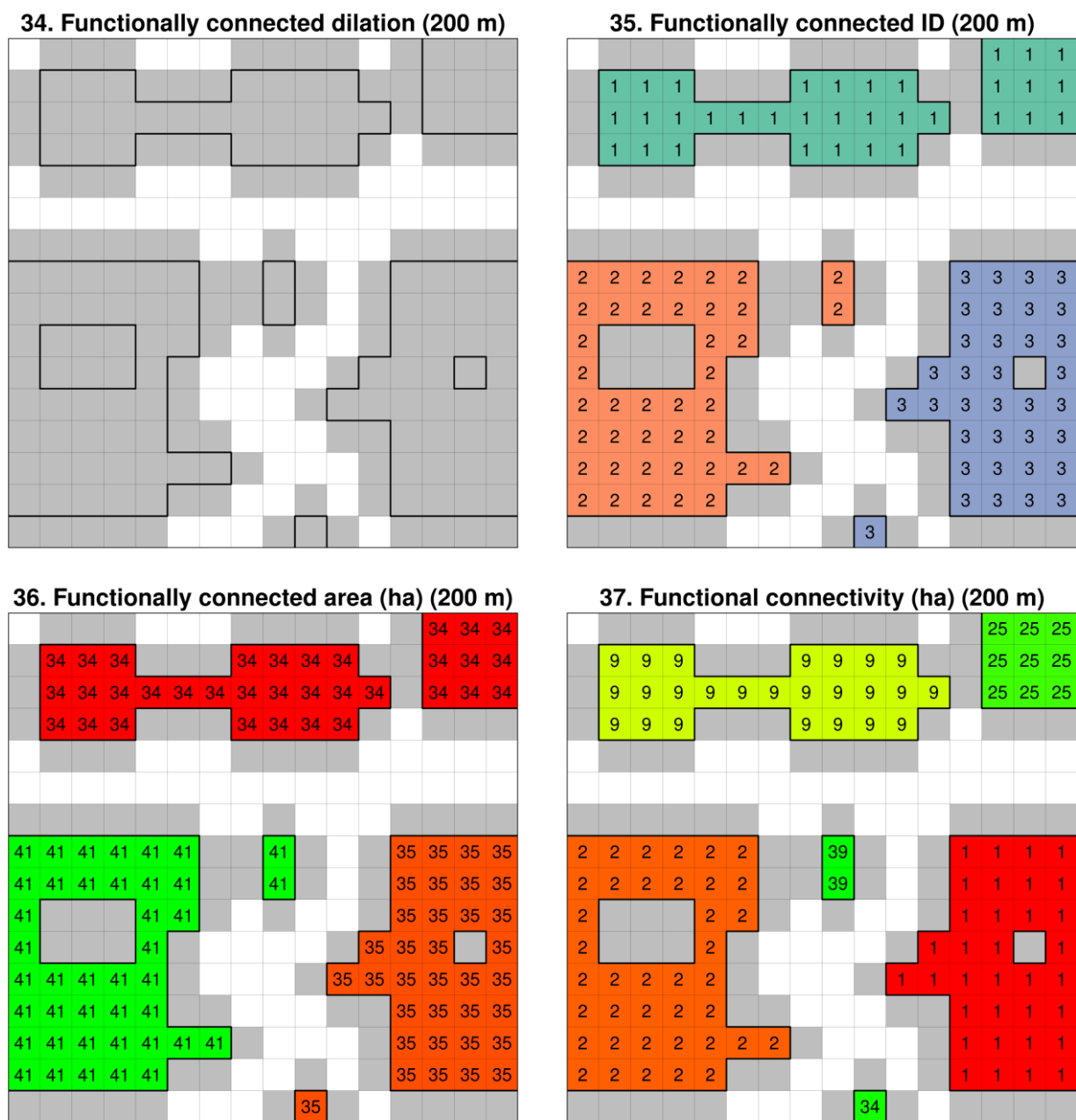


Figure 17. Functional connectivity metrics. Metric 34: Functionally connected dilation (200 m) is the dilation of fragments for gap-crossing of 100 m (gray pixels). Metric 35: Functionally connected ID (200 m) is the functionally connected area identification. Metric 36: Functionally connected area (ha) is the fragment area connected in hectares. Metric 37: Functional connectivity (ha) (200 m) is the functional connectivity in hectares.

Landscape diversity metrics (Figure 18): considering a multi-class map, each cell of the map

presented a value of the diversity of LULC classes within a square window with a given size, centered in the focal cell. Diversity (Shannon and Simpson) indices consider the number of classes in each class cell within the window of analysis. Shannon's diversity values are positive values and vary between 0 and infinity (**Metric 38: Landscape diversity (Shannon)**) and Simpson's diversity values vary between 0 and 1 (**Metric 39: Landscape diversity (Simpson)**). Buffer radius represented half the size of a square window, e.g., for a buffer size of 50 m, the window size was 100 m. Buffer radii used: 50 m, 100 m, 150 m, 200 m, 250 m, 500 m, 750 m, 1000 m, 1500 m and 2000 m. Due to computational limitations, we were unable to calculate landscape diversity metrics for the 2,500 m buffer radius.

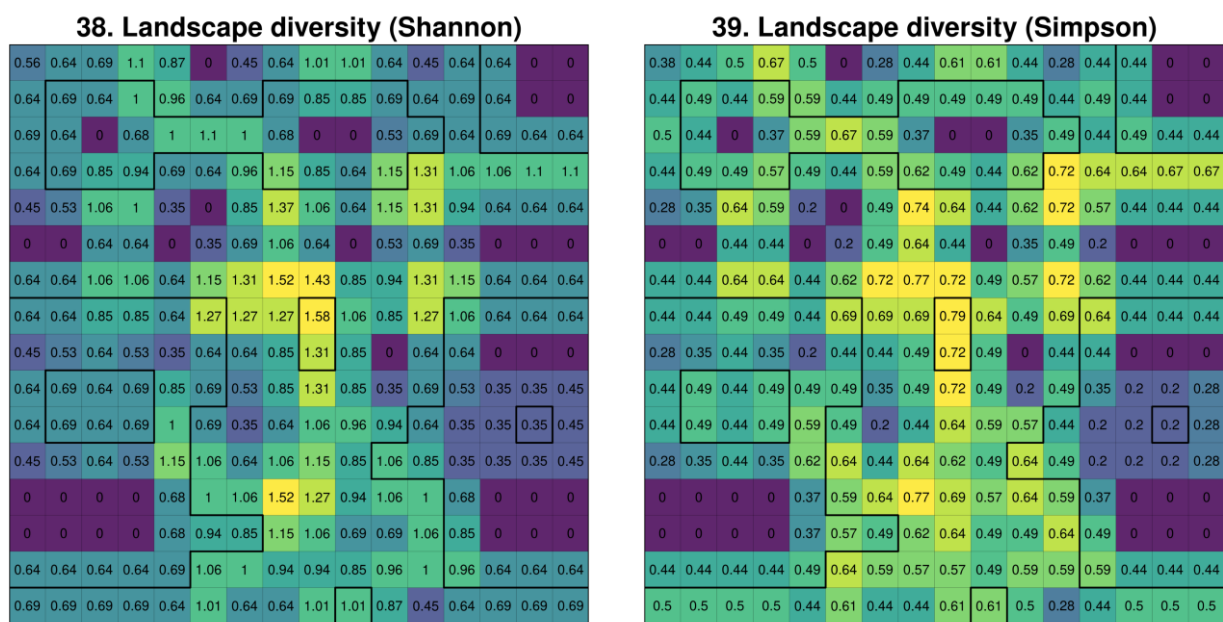


Figure 18. Landscape diversity metrics. Metric 38: Landscape diversity (Shannon) and Metric 39: Landscape diversity (Simpson) indices for a square window with 100 m size, in the illustrative example for the toy landscape.

Topographic metrics

We calculated six metrics of topography using a Digital Elevation Model (DEM) map from FABDEM v1.2 (Hawker et al. 2022) (Table 4). We used two GRASS GIS modules: *r.slope.aspect* and *r.geomorphon*.

Table 4. Topographic metrics description.

Metric	Short description	Values	Reference
1. Elevation	Digital representation of elevations (or height) in meters through Digital	Meters	Hawker et al. (2022)

	Elevation Model (DEM).		
2. Slope	Inclination from the horizontal stated in degrees	Degrees (0° to 90°)	Hawker et al. (2022)
3. Aspect	Direction that slopes are facing counterclockwise from East in degrees: 90 degrees is North, 180 is West, 270 is South, 360 is East	Degrees (0° to 360°)	Hawker et al. (2022)
4. Profile curvature	Curvature in the direction of steepest slope in 1/meters. A curvature of 0.05 corresponds to a radius of curvature of 20 meters and positive and negative values represent convex and concave forms, respectively	Units	Hawker et al. (2022)
5. Tangential curvature	Curvature in the direction of the contour tangent in 1/meters. A curvature of 0.05 corresponds to a radius of curvature of 20 meters and positive and negative values represent convex and concave forms, respectively	Units	Hawker et al. (2022)
6. Geomorphon	Classification and mapping of landform elements from a DEM based on the principle of pattern recognition (geomorphon)	Classes: flat (1), peak (2), ridge (3), shoulder (4), spur (5), slope (6), hollow (7), footslope (8), valley (9), pit (10)	Jasiewicz and Stepinski (2013)

Hydrologic metrics

We calculated four hydrologic metrics using a Digital Elevation Model (DEM) map from FABDEM v1.2 (Hawker et al. 2022) (Table 5). Due to the large extension, we first calculated these metrics for hydrologic smaller basins using the HydroBASINS level 5 (Lehner and Grill 2013); after that we merged the results into single maps for the four metrics. We used two GRASS GIS modules to calculate the potential streams and springs: *r.watershed* and *r.stream.extract*, both with threshold = 100. With the potential streams and strings done, we deleted the lines and points, respectively, that overlap with masses of water from HydroLAKES (Messenger et al. 2016) and official masses of water from three countries: Brazil (Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística – IBGE; IBGE, 2021), Argentina (Instituto Geográfico Nacional – IGN; IGN, 2023) and Paraguay (Instituto Nacional de Estadística – INE; INE, 2023). Stream Euclidean distance was generated using *r.grow.distance*

GRASS GIS module with metric = euclidean, and spring kernel was generated using *v.kernel* module with radius varying (50 m, 100 m, 150 m, 200 m, 250 m, 500 m, 750 m, 1000 m, 1500 m, 2000 m, 2500 m) and kernel = gaussian.

Table 5. Hydrologic metrics description.

Metric	Short description	Values	Scale (buffer radius in meters)	Reference
1. Stream	Potential streams generated from DEM	0 and 1	None	Holmgren (1994)
2. Stream distance	Euclidean distance from potential streams generated from DEM	Meters	None	Holmgren (1994)
3. Spring	Potential springs generated from DEM	0 and 1	None	Holmgren (1994)
4. Spring density	Density (kernel) of potential springs generated from DEM	Units	50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500	Okabe et al. (2009)

Anthropogenic metrics

We calculated 12 anthropogenic metrics represented by Euclidean distances outside (positive values) from roads, railways, protected areas, indigenous territories and the grouped classes categories: pasture, temporary crop, perennial crop, forest plantation, urban areas, mining and water (Table 1; Figure 2b). These metrics represented the approximation of human impact at the landscape scale. We used the *r.grow.distance* GRASS GIS module with metric = euclidean.

Table 3. Anthropogenic metrics description.

Metric	Short description	Values	Reference
1. Distance from roads	Euclidean distance from roads	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
2. Distance from railways	Euclidean distance from railways	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
3. Distance from roads and railways	Euclidean distance from roads and railways	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
4. Distance from protected areas	Euclidean distance from protected areas	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)

5. Distance from indigenous territories	Euclidean distance from indigenous territories	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
6. Distance from the forest plantation	Euclidean distance from forest plantation	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
7. Distance from the pasture	Euclidean distance from pasture	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
8. Distance from the temporary crop	Euclidean distance from temporary crop	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
9. Distance from the perennial crop	Euclidean distance from perennial crop	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
10. Distance from the urban areas	Euclidean distance from urban areas	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
11. Distance from the mining	Euclidean distance from mining	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)
12. Distance from the water	Euclidean distance from water (lakes and rivers)	Meters	Ribeiro et al. (2009)

Software

All the landscape, topographic, hydrologic and anthropogenic metrics were processed using GRASS GIS 8.3 (Neteler et al. 2012) and R language 4.3 (R Core Team, 2023) with the aid of the *rgrass* package (Bivand, 2023). All landscape metrics were calculated using custom functions based on *LSMetrics* and translated to R (https://github.com/LEEClab/LS_METRICS; Niebuhr et al. *in prep.*).

4. Project personnel

None.

Class III. Data set status and accessibility

A. Status

1. Latest update

November 2023.

2. Latest archive date

November 2023.

3. Metadata status

Last updated in November 2023, version submitted.

4. Data verification

Last updated in November 2023, version submitted.

B. Accessibility

1. Storage location and medium

The original ATLANTIC SPATIAL data set can be accessed as supporting information to this Data Paper publication in Ecology. Updated versions and additional information are available at the Open Science Framework (OSF) (<https://doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/AJUMC>) and code at GitHub (<https://github.com/mauriciovancine/ATLANTIC-SPATIAL>). We also created the R package *atlantier* (<https://mauriciovancine.github.io/atlantier>) which, in addition to facilitating access to other data papers from the Atlantic series, provides a table with all metrics and their information "atlantic_spatial" and a function to download rasters "atlantic_spatial_download()".

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4. Proprietary restrictions

a. Release date

None.

b. Citation

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c. Disclaimer(s)

None.

5. Costs

None.

Class IV. Data structural descriptors

The data set contains 1003 files. ATLANTIC_SPATIAL.csv contains a table describing the vector and raster files. The AF delimitation vector is available as Geopackage (.gpkg). The 500 rasters are available as GeoTiff (.tif) and TFW files (.tfw). ATLANTIC_SPATIAL.zip contains all rasters in a single compressed file with GeoTiff (.tif) and TFW (.tfw) files.

A. Data set file

- 1. Identity:** ATLANTIC_SPATIAL.csv
- 2. Size:** 20 columns and 502 rows records, including header row, 231 KB.
- 3. Format and storage mode:** comma-separated values (.csv).
- 4. Header information:** See column descriptions in section B.
- 5. Alphanumeric attributes:** Mixed.
- 6. Special characters/fields:** None.
- 7. Authentication procedures:** None.

- 1. Identity:** ATLANTIC_SPATIAL.zip
- 2. Size:** 232 GB.
- 3. Format and storage mode:** compressed file (.zip).
- 4. Header information:** None.
- 5. Alphanumeric attributes:** None.
- 6. Special characters/fields:** None.
- 7. Authentication procedures:** None.

B. Variable information

1) **Table 1. Information in the ATLANTIC SPATIAL data set.** Description of the fields related with the study site of the ATLANTIC_SPATIAL.csv.

Variable identify	Variable description	Levels	Example
id	Identification code for each metric	001-502	006
metric	Metric name	Detailed name of metric in text format	atlantic_spatial_forest_vegetation_fragment_area

metric_group	Group of metrics	anthropogenic, hydrologic, landscape, topographic	landscape
metric_type	Detailed description of metric types	Detailed description of metric types in text format	fragment_area
metric_description	Detailed description of metrics	Detailed description of metrics in text format	forest vegetation fragment area
value	Metric values	Detailed metrics values in text and number formats	0.09 to infinity
value_description	Detailed description of metric values	Detailed description of metric values in text format	area
unit	Unit of metrics	1/meters, angles in degrees, binary, categorical, discrete, hectares, meters, meters/hectares, proportion, unit, unitary	hectares
lulc_class	Land use and land cover class	forest_plantation, forest_vegetation, mining, multiple, natural_vegetation, pasture, perennial_crop, temporary_crop, urban_areas, water	forest_vegetation
edge_depth_m	Edge depth for different metrics in meters. Edge depth is the minimum distance at which cells are classified as edges, those that are further away are classified as cores	30-240	NA

gap_crossing_m	Gap-crossing for different metrics in meters. Gap-crossing considers the ability of an organism to cross non-habitat gaps, characterizing the distance to functional connectivity	60-600	NA
scale_buffer_radius_m	Scale for different metrics in meters. Scale is the radius of the buffer to which the moving window is rotated to impute the effect of different scales on landscape metrics	50-10,000	NA
resolution	Raster pixel width and height.	30	30
file_name	Metrics file name	Multiple metrics name files	006_atlantic_spatial_forest_vegetation_fragment_area.tif
link_drive_tif	Link to the .tif file on Google Drive	Multiple links	https://drive.google.com/file/d/14yxqKSNILVgzONtpTozGhPje4yxeVDcU
link_drive_tfw	Link to the .tfw file on Google Drive	Multiple links	https://drive.google.com/file/d/1G7vjuQ-sfm-4E2Inlkm2NlcET7PzJG4a
link_drive_gpkg	Link to the .gpkg file on Google Drive	Multiple links	https://drive.google.com/file/d/1P1NH14zW_OVLHG_jbnCuqhXSVBkkDL64
link_osf_tif	Link to the .tif file on Open Science Framework (OSF)	Multiple links	https://osf.io/download/6p9ub/
link_osf_tfw	Link to the .tfw file on Open Science Framework (OSF)	Multiple links	https://osf.io/download/kvteq
link_osf_gpkg	Link to the .gpkg file on Open Science Framework (OSF)	Multiple links	https://osf.io/download/b2t6h/

C. Data anomalies

If no information is available, this was indicated by “NA”.

Class V. Supplemental descriptors

A. Data acquisition

1. Data forms or acquisition methods

None.

2. Location of completed data forms

None.

3. Data entry verification procedures

None.

B. Quality assurance/quality control procedures

None.

C. Related materials

None.

D. Computer programs and data-processing algorithms

None.

E. Archiving

1. Archival procedures

2. Redundant archival sites

F. Publications and results

Vancine et al. (2023) used part of this data set to describe the spatiotemporal landscape structure of AF.

G. History of data set usage

1. Data request history

None.

2. Data set updates history

None.

3. Review history

None.

4. Question and comments from secondary users

None.

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