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# Modeling Spatio-temporal Variation of the HIV Epidemic

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# **Nature of Spatial Data**

# Spatial Autocorrelation



low



high



maximum

The coincidence of locational and attribute similarity  
(Anselin, L. 1988. *Spatial econometrics. Methods and models.* Dordrecht: Kluwer)

Analogous neighborhood characteristics, similar socio-economic characteristics of their residents, and the quality of services (Dubin, R. 1992. *Spatial autocorrelation and neighborhood quality.* *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 22: 433-452).

# Spatial Autocorrelation: Consequences

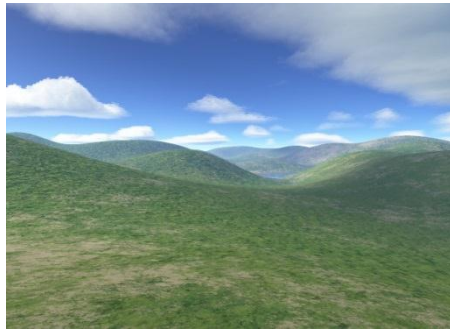
iid population  $\rightarrow$  autocorrelated population

- Population: iid  $\rightarrow$  autocorrelated: Moran I, G
- Regression: OLS  $\rightarrow$  SAR/MA/CAR
- Total: simple sum  $\Sigma y$   $\rightarrow$  Bkriging  $\Sigma wy$
- Mapping: complete sample  $\rightarrow$  Kriging
- Sampling:  $n(iid) \searrow n(ACR)$ ;  $v(iid) \searrow v(ACR)$
- Cause other ACR: air pollution  $\rightarrow$  lung cancer

# Spatial Autocorrelation: Measure



low  $I = -0.3$



high  $I = 0.6$



maximum  $I = 1$

$$\text{Moran } I = \frac{N}{\sum_{ij} w_{ij}} \frac{\sum_i \sum_j w_{ij} (X_i - \bar{X})(X_j - \bar{X})}{\sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

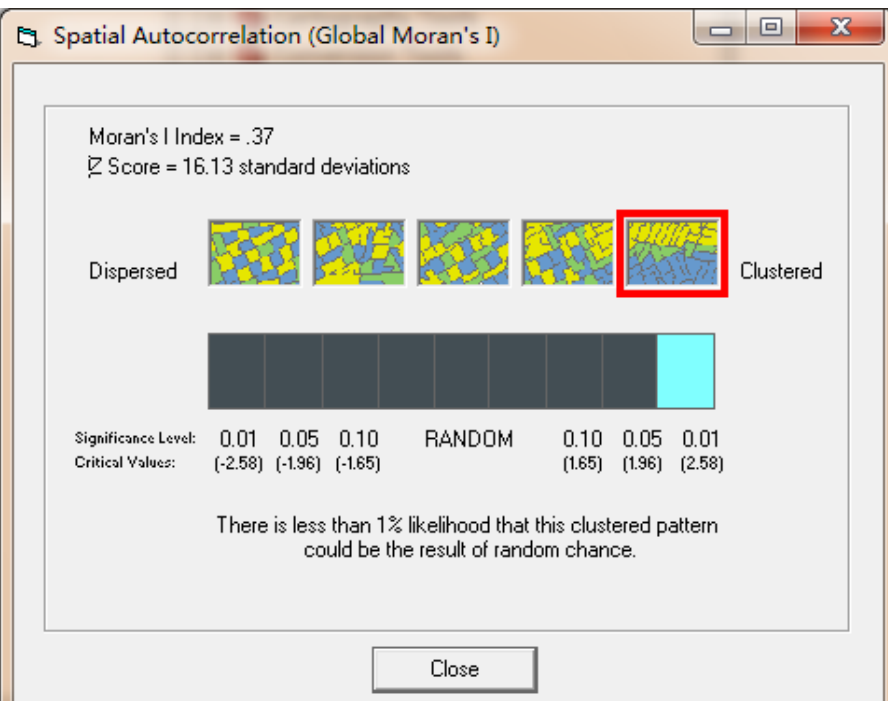
$$I \in [-1, 1]$$

$$i, j = 1, \dots, N$$

$w_{ij}$ : join between  $i$  and  $j$ ,

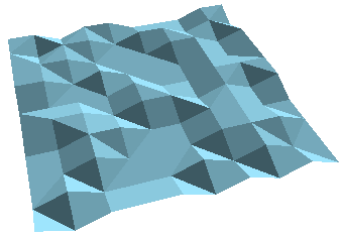
$$E(I) = -\frac{1}{n-1}, \text{ null hypothesis of no acr.}$$

$$Z = \frac{I - E(I)}{\sqrt{v(I)}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

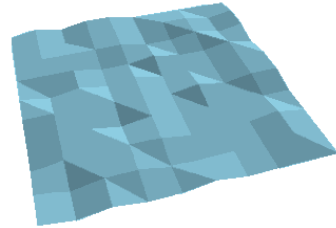


# Spatial Stratified Heterogeneity

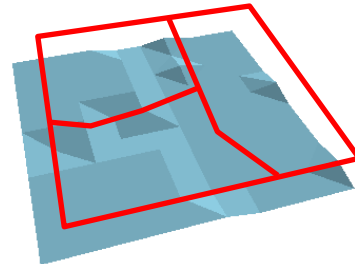
Attribute similarity in strata



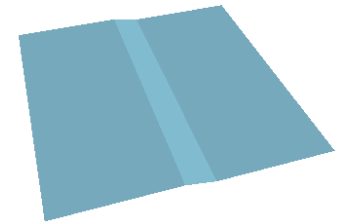
low  $q = 0$



some  $q = 0.1$



high  $q = 0.8^{**}$



maximum  $q = 1^{***}$

Nature: climate zone, landcover, watershed, plates

Human: states, classes, labor division, urban function zones

Biology: niche, footprint, fauna

Culture: religions, behavior, food

Miscellanies: east, middle and east

# Spatial Heterogeneity: Consequences

Population → local, subpopulation

- Hotspot: Moran I → LISA,  $G \rightarrow G_i$
- Regression: SAR/MA/CAR → GWR, HB, MLM
- Total: Bkriging → MSN, B-shade, SPA
- Mapping: Kriging → Sandwich
- Sampling: Sample is **biased** when  $n < L$
- Cause other heterogeneity



# Spatial Heterogeneity: Local Measure

## Gi, LISA, SatScan

$$G_i(d) = \frac{\sum_{j \neq i}^n w_{ij}(d) x_j}{\sum_{j \neq i}^n x_j}$$

Getis A, Ord JK. 1992. The analysis of spatial association by use of distance statistics. *Geographical Analysis*. 24(3): 189-206.



$$I_i = z_i \sum_j w_{ij} z_j, \quad z_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{SD_i}, \quad \begin{array}{ll} \text{Q2(X-, WX+): LH} & \text{Q1(X+, WX+):HH} \\ \text{Q3(X-, WX-): LL} & \text{Q4(X+, WX-): HL} \end{array}$$

Anselin L. 1995. Local indicators of spatial association – LISA. *Geographical Analysis*. 27(2): 93-115



$$LR = [c/\mu]^c \times [(C-c)/(C-\mu)]^{C-c}$$

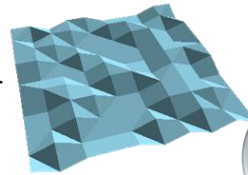
Kulldorff M. 1997. A spatial scan statistic. *Communications in Statistics – Theory and Methodology* 26(6): 1481-1496



# Spatial Heterogeneity: Global Measure

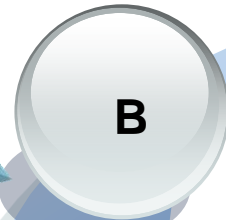
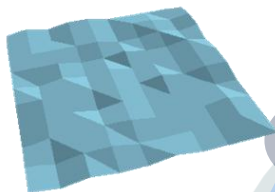
## Geographical Detector

Perfect random  
 $q = 0$



$q = 0.1$

Some stratification

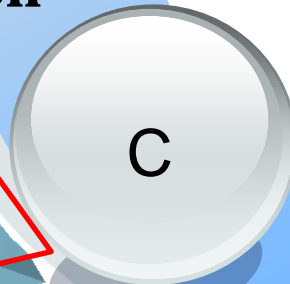
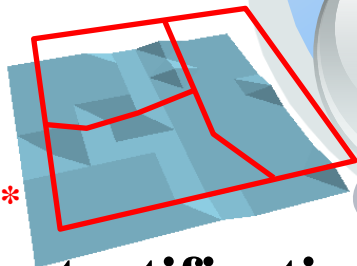


$$q = 1 - \frac{1}{N\sigma^2} \sum_{h=1}^L N_h \sigma_h^2$$

$$q \in [0, 1]$$

$q = 0.8^{**}$

Strong stratification



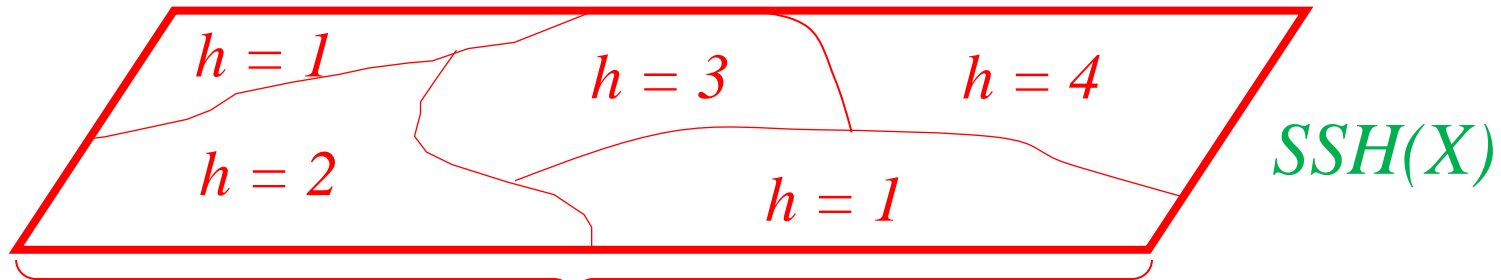
Perfect stratification

$q = 1^{***}$

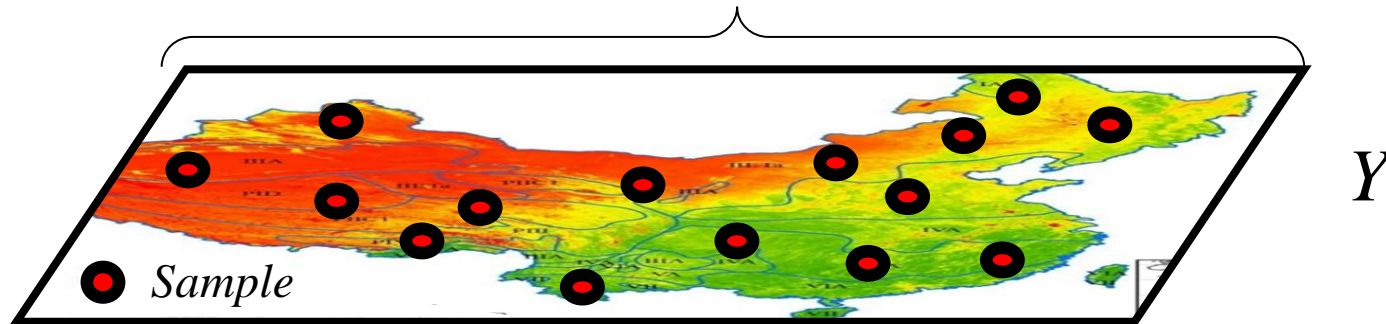


# Spatial Stratified Heterogeneity (SSH): Attribute

(Axiom: If  $X$  causes  $Y$ , then their maps would be coupled)



$$q = 1 - \frac{\sum_{h=1}^L N_h \sigma_h^2}{N \sigma^2}$$



$q \in [0, 1]$ , 100 $q$ % of  $Y$  is explained by  $X$

0, if  $Y$  is independent to  $X$

1, if  $Y$  is fully depended upon  $X$

$$\frac{N-L}{L-1} \frac{q}{1-q} \sim F(L-1, N-L; \lambda)$$

# **Bayesian Spatio-temporal Hierarchical Model**

# Bayesian Spatio-temporal Hierarchical Model:

$$Y_{it} \sim MVN(\mu_{it}, \sigma_y^2)$$

$$\log(\theta_{it}) = \alpha + S[i] + b_0 * t + v(t) + B[i] * t + \epsilon_{it}$$

Spatial  
process

Temporal  
process

Spatio-temporal  
interaction

$S[i] \sim \text{CAR. Normal}(S. \text{adj. sp}(i), S. \text{num. sp}(i), S. \text{weights. sp}(i), \tau_{S, \text{CAR}}^2)$

$B[i] \sim \text{CAR. Normal}(B. \text{adj. sp}(i), B. \text{num. sp}(i), B. \text{weights. sp}(i), \tau_{B, \text{CAR}}^2)$

$v(t) \sim \text{CAR. Normal}(v. \text{adj. tm}(t), v. \text{num. tm}(t), v. \text{weights. tm}(t), \tau_{T, \text{CAR}}^2)$

**Spatially structured random effect and a spatially unstructured can be commonly incorporate by the form of a priori information**

# Modelling with BSTHM using HIV/AIDS Data

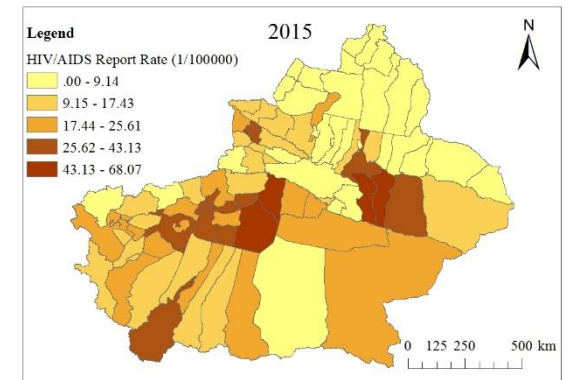
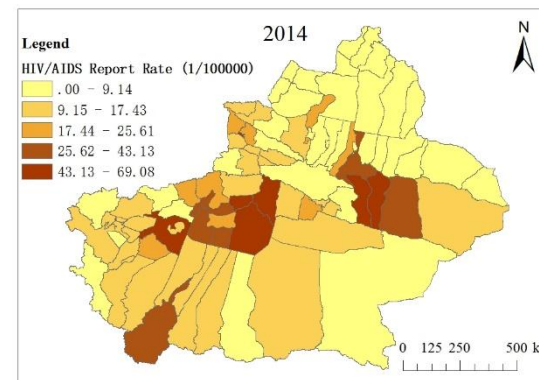
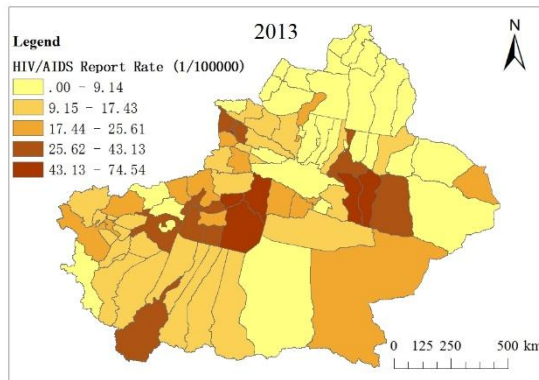
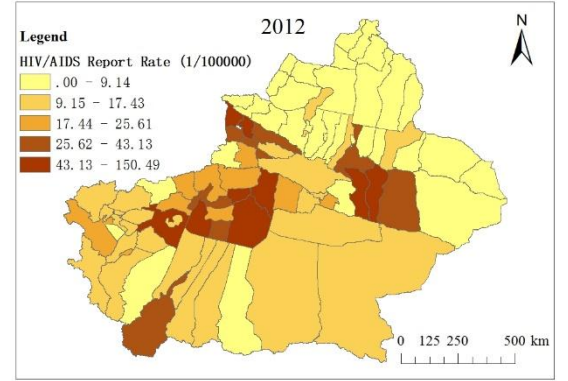
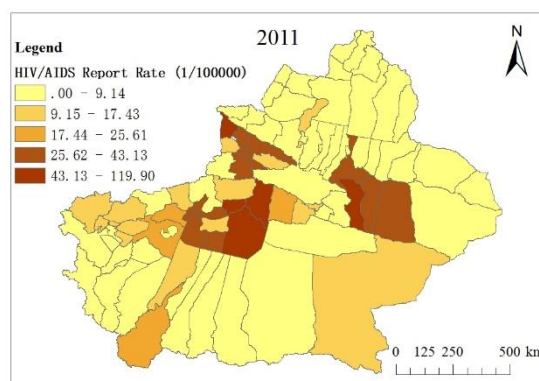
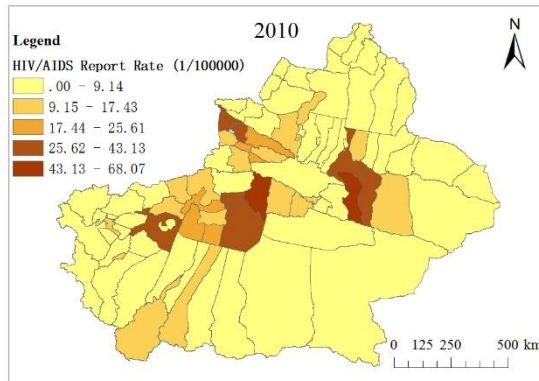
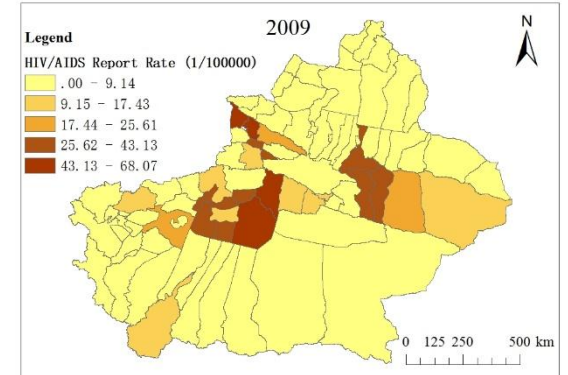
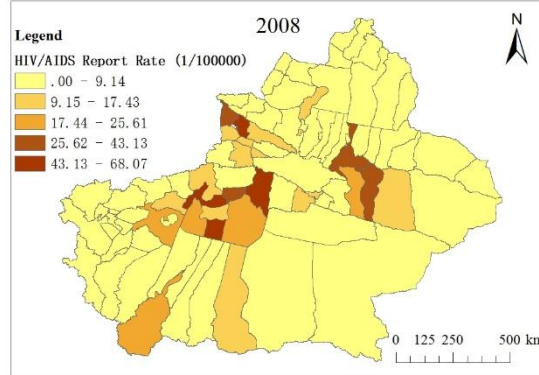
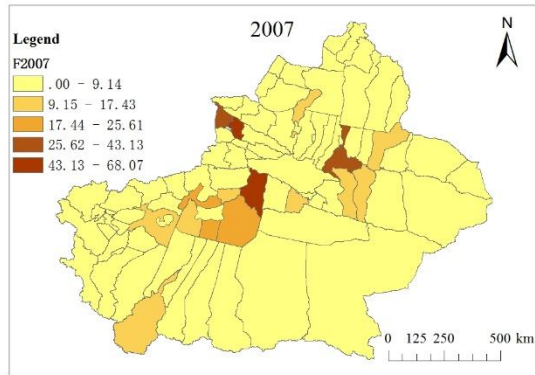
$$y_{it} \sim \text{Poisson}(n_{it}r_{it})$$

$$\log(r_{it}) = \alpha + s_i + (b_0t^* + v_t) + b_{1i}t^* + \varepsilon_{it}$$

Poisson and log link regression functions were used to model the disease data.  $y_{it}$  and  $n_{it}$  were the number of cases and the total population, respectively.  $\alpha$  was the overall log risk average for the entire study. The observed space-time heterogeneity in disease risk was divided into the spatial term  $s_i$ , and the temporal term  $(b_0t^* + v_t)$ .

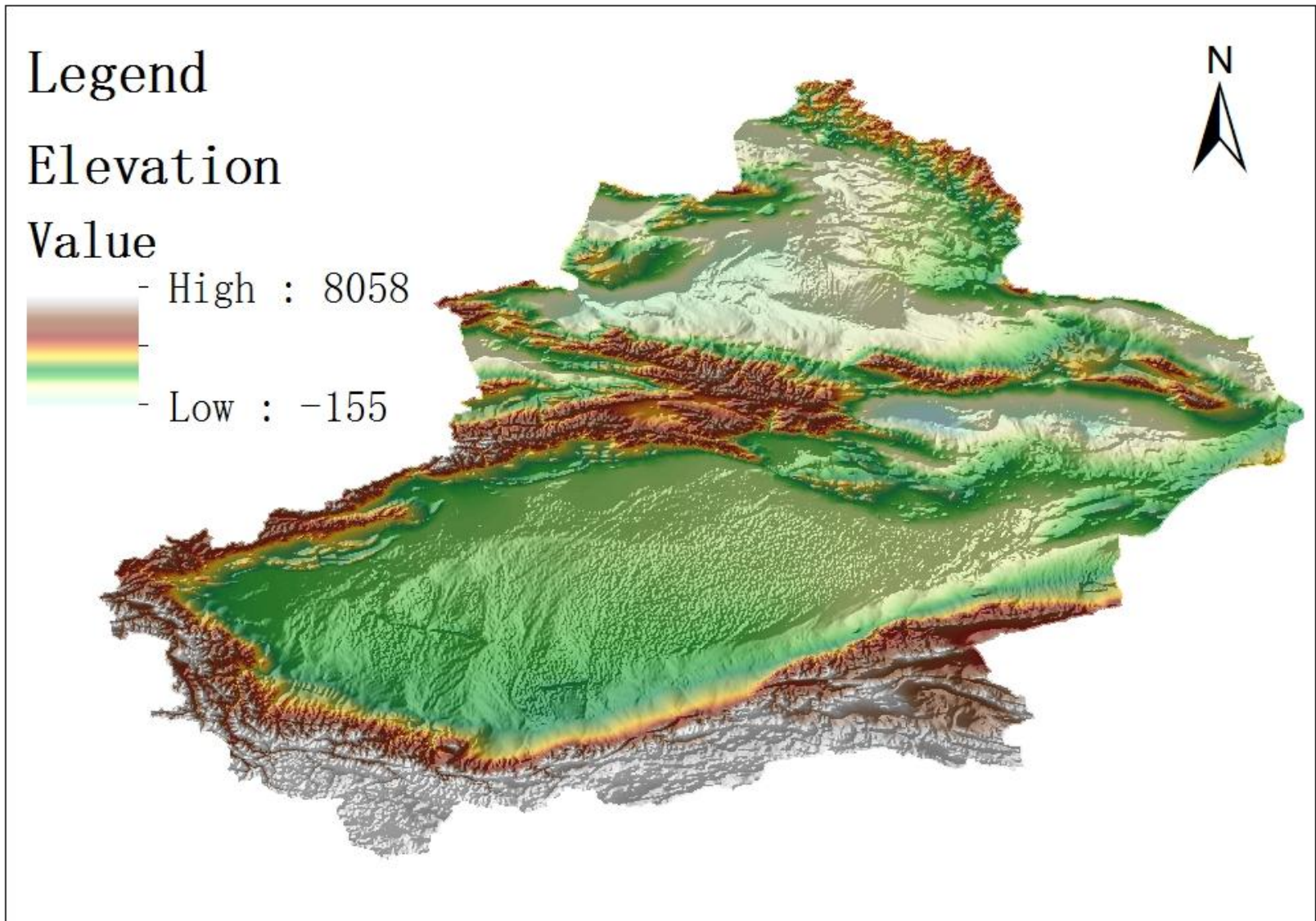
# **Study Data**

# HIV/AIDS Report Rate from 2007 to 2015



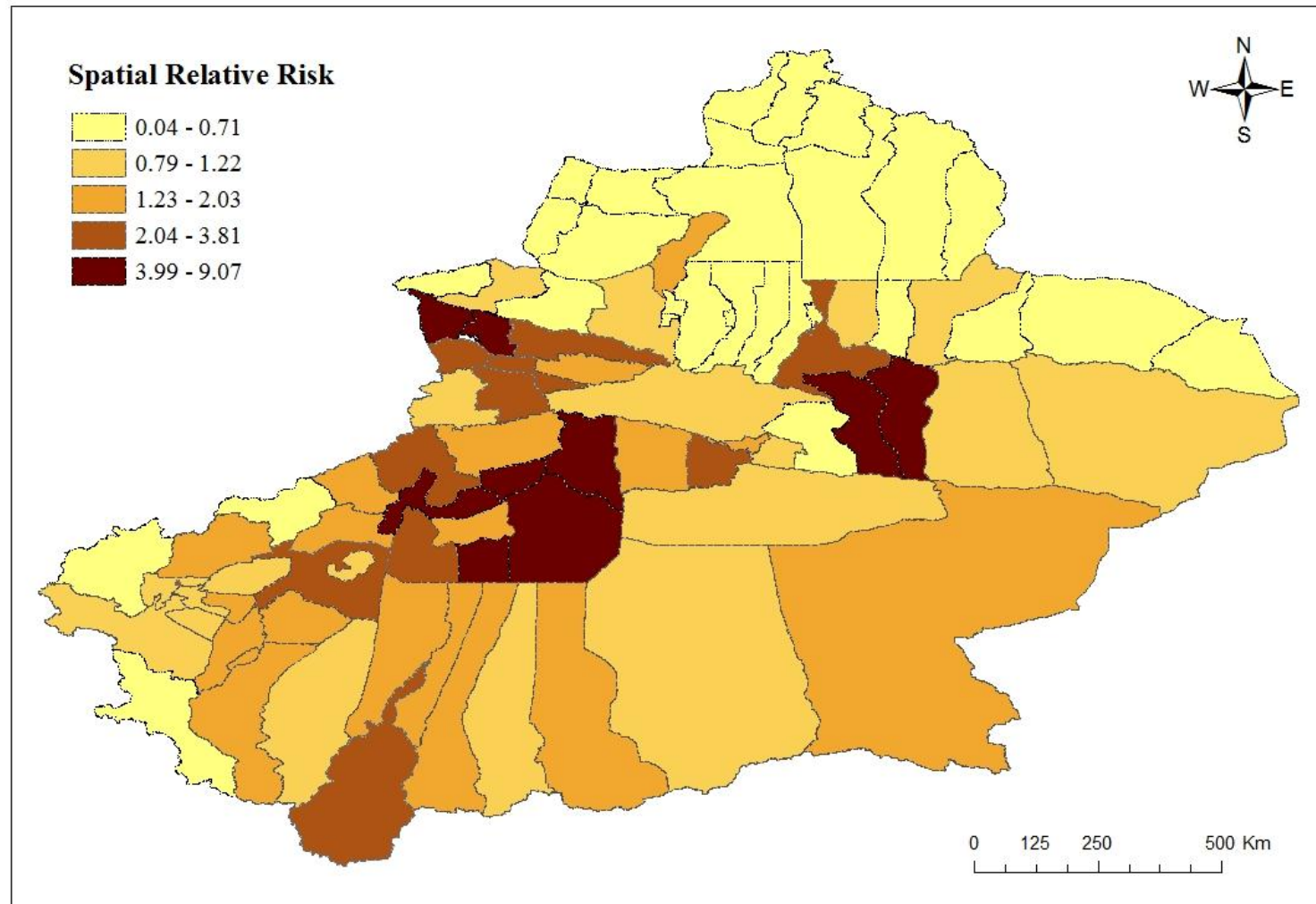


# Terrain in the study region

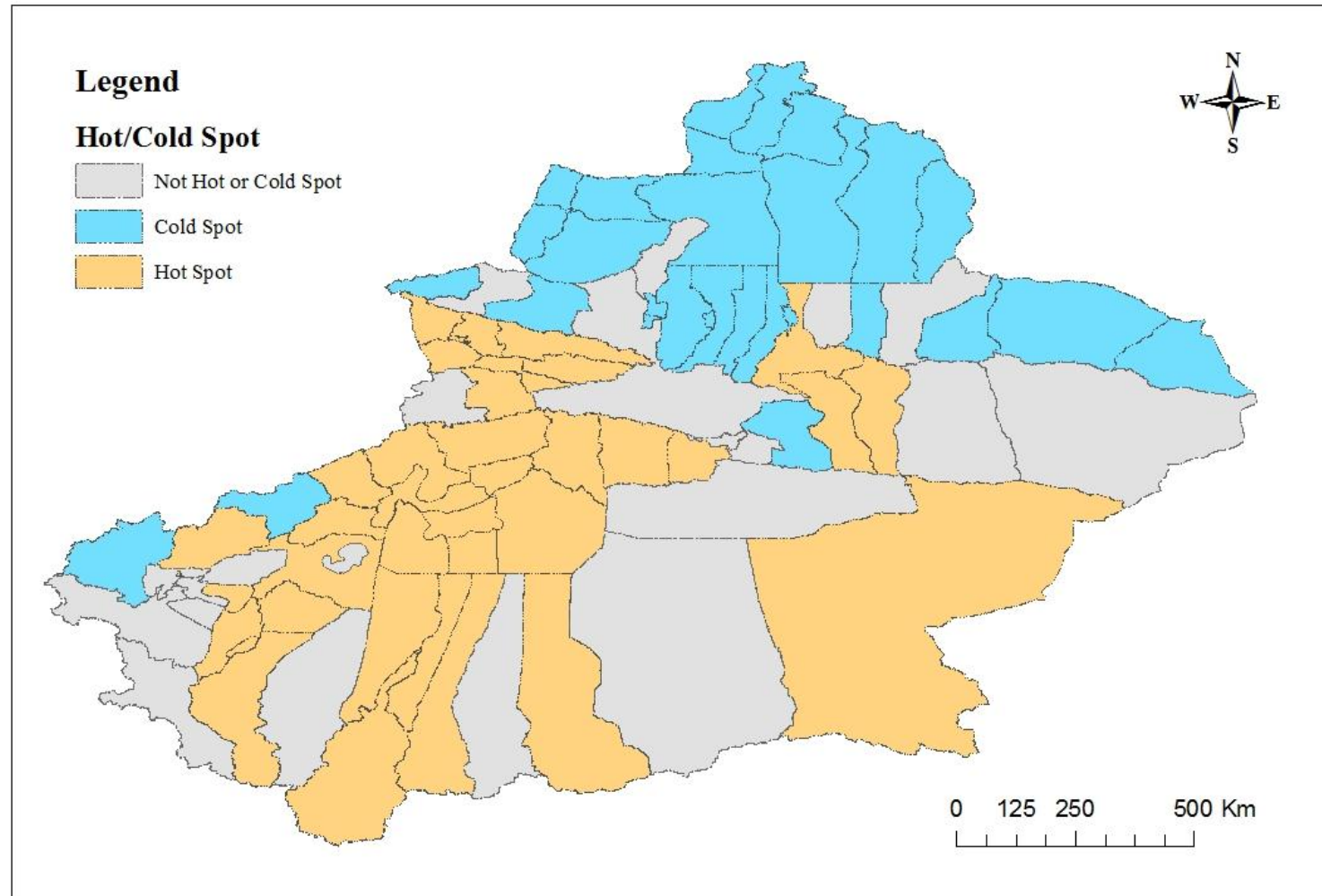


# **Results and Interpretation**

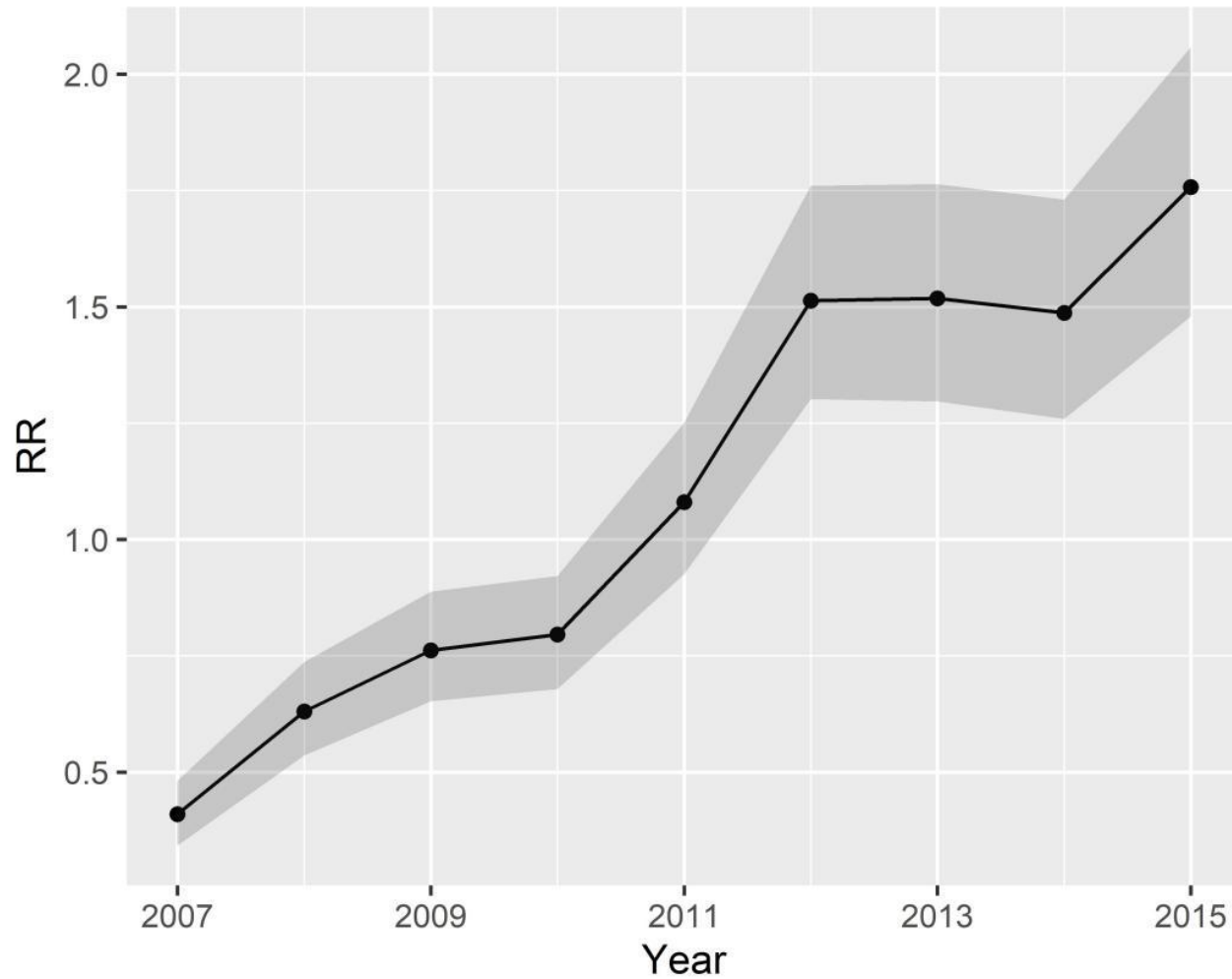
# Common Spatial Pattern



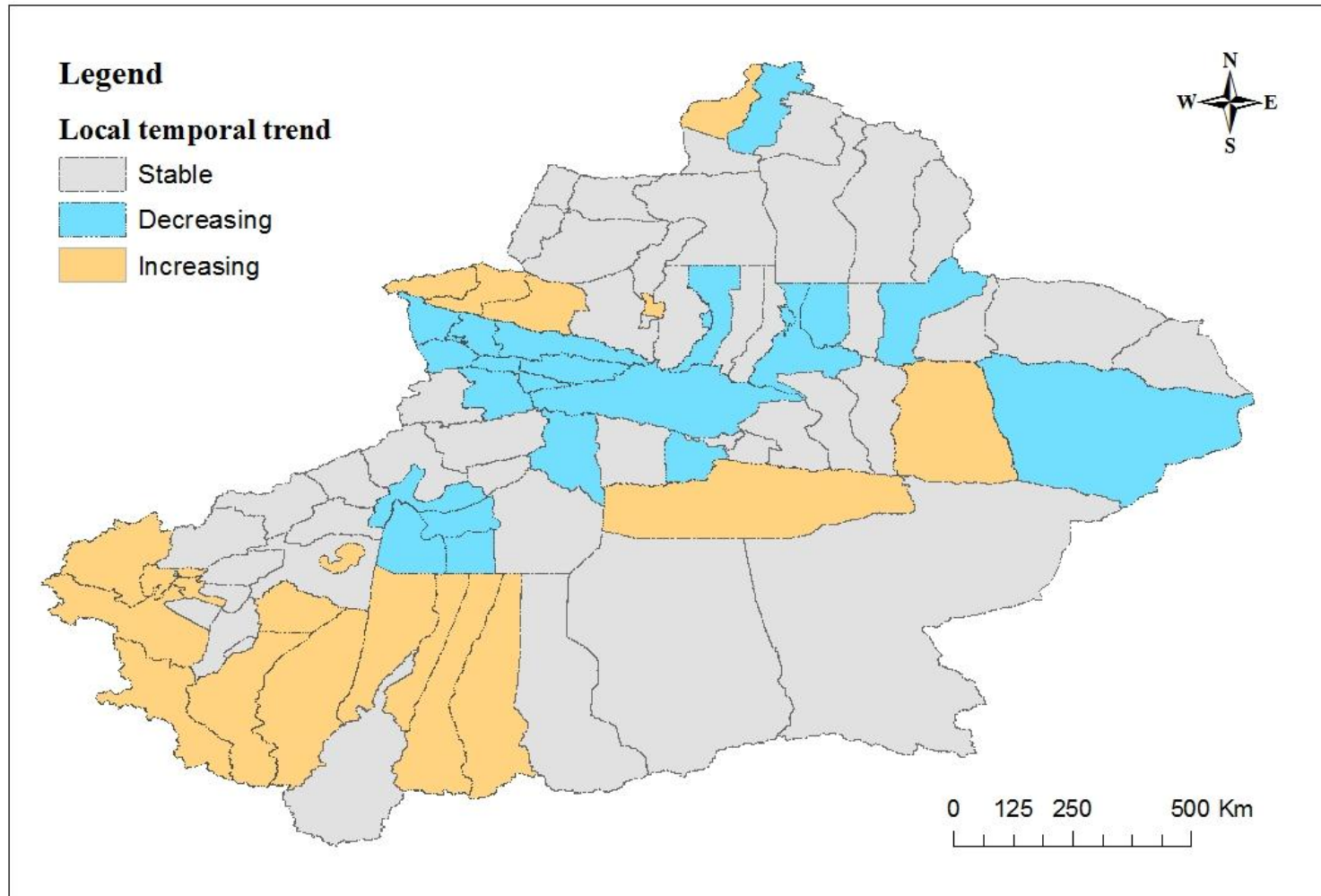
# Hot and cold spots of spatial relative risks (RRs) based on the posterior probability of $\exp(S_i) > 1.0$



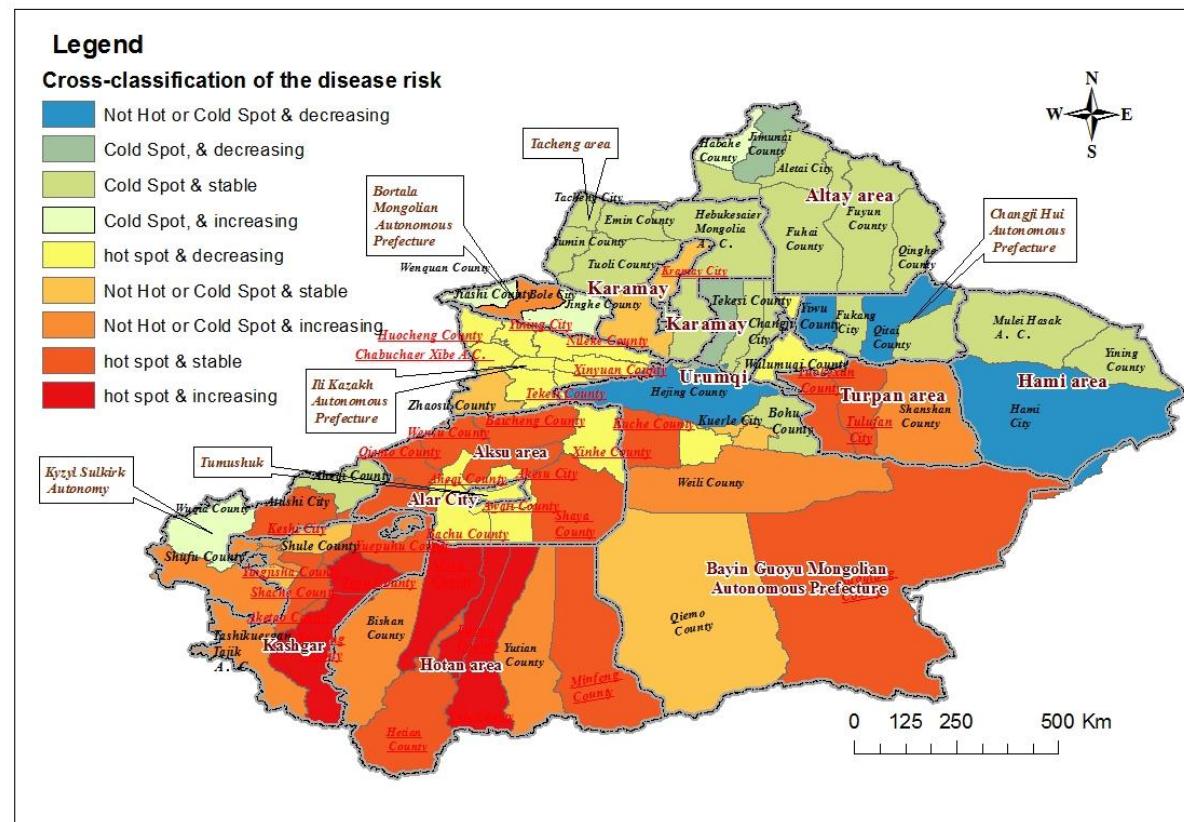
# Overall temporal trend ( $\exp [b_0 t^* + v_t]$ )



# Deviations in local trends compared to the overall trend $b_{li}$ of the disease

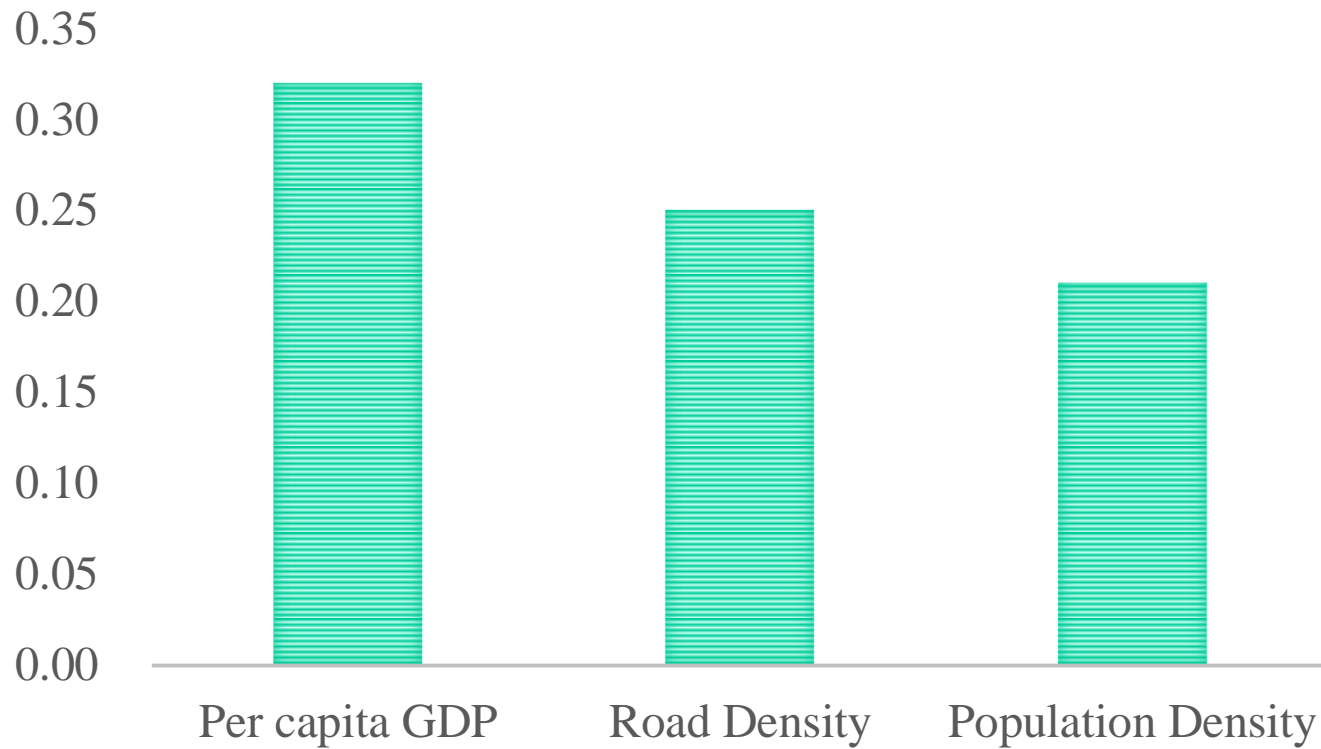


# Cross-classification of the disease risk in all counties



	Faster increase trend	Slower increasing trend	Not different from common trend	Total
Hot spots	17	15	5	37(42.05%)
Cold spots	20	4	5	29(32.95%)
Neither hot /cold spots	8	4	10	22(25%)

# Geodetector q statistics for potential influencing factors





# **Conclusions and Future Work**

- 1. HIV/AIDS report rate in Xinjiang presented statistically significant spatio-temporal heterogeneity**
- 2. The HIV/AIDS risk presented an increased trend**
- 3. There was statistically significant local temporal variation**
- 4. Population density, traffic and economic condition had apparent influence**
- 5. More explanatory variables will be collected**

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