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Grupo de investigación:

**Suelos Residuales y  
Parcialmente Saturados**

Topic:

Landslide,  
Mass movement  
Slope failure



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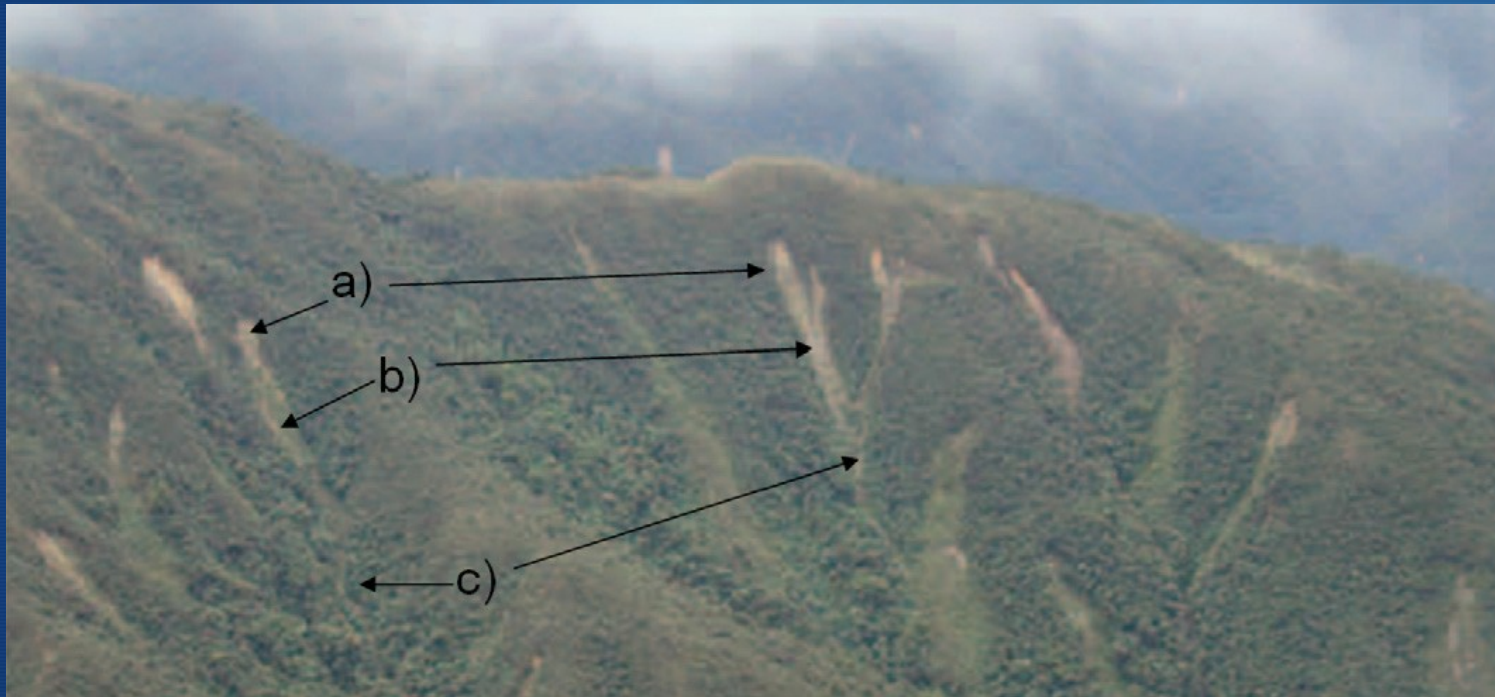


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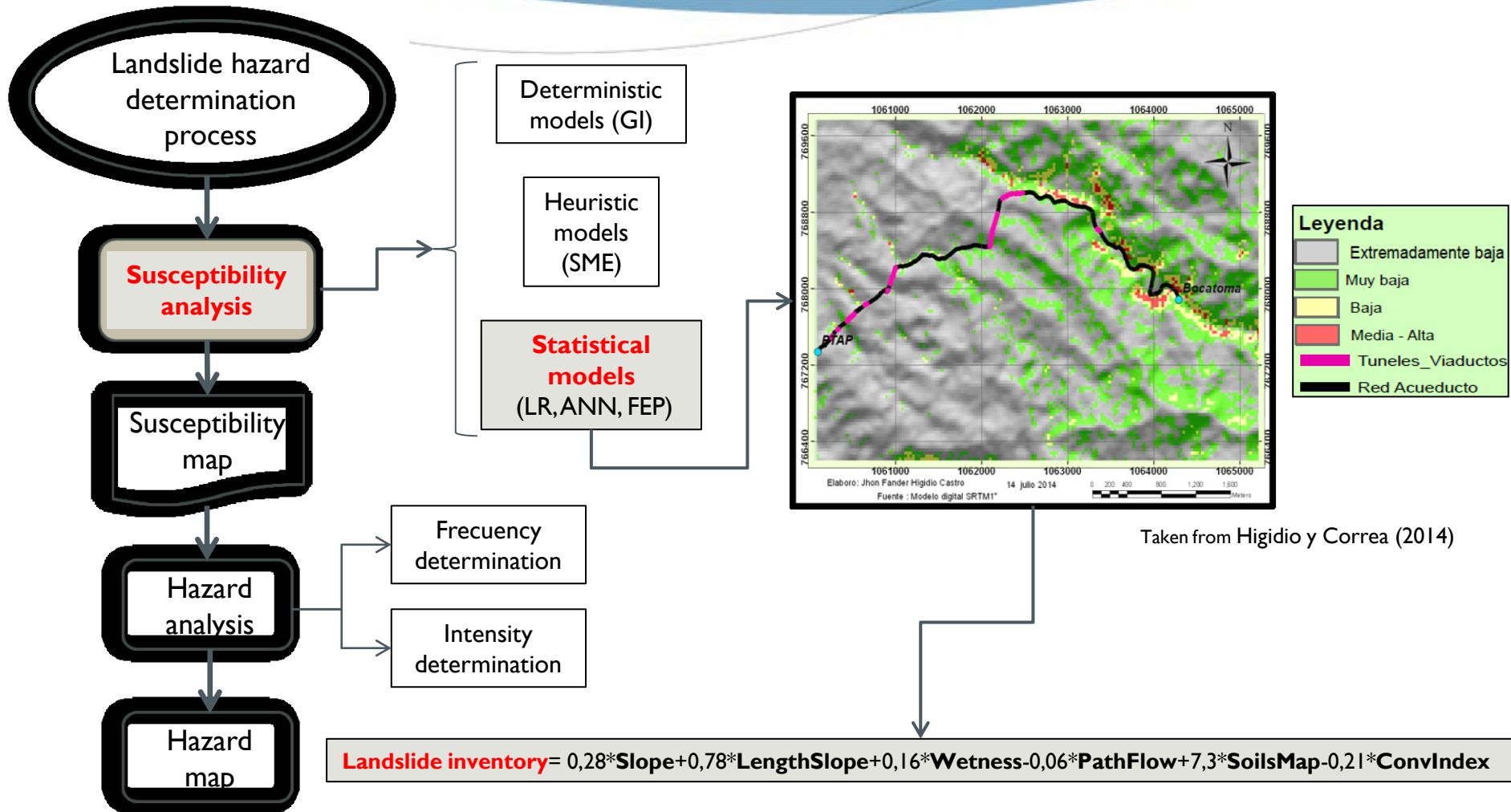
# Method for preparing inventories of terrestrial landslides with semi-automatic procedures



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# Introduction [1]



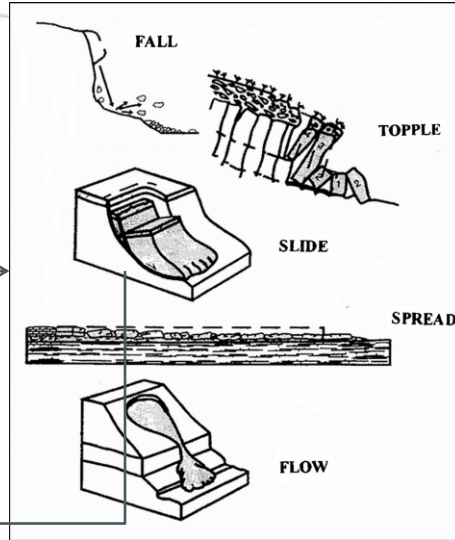
Taken from Margottini et al. (2013), p477

# Introduction [2]

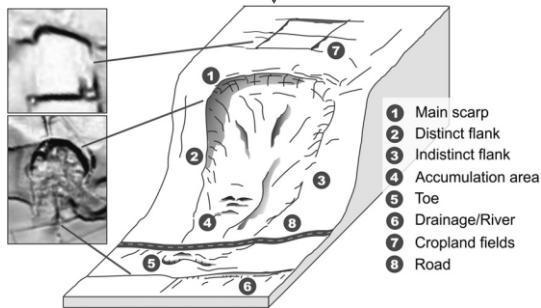
## Movement type

Cruden and Varnes (1996):

- Fall
- Rotational sliding
- Translational sliding
- Lateral spreading
- Flow
- Complex



Taken from Hungr et al. (2014), p168

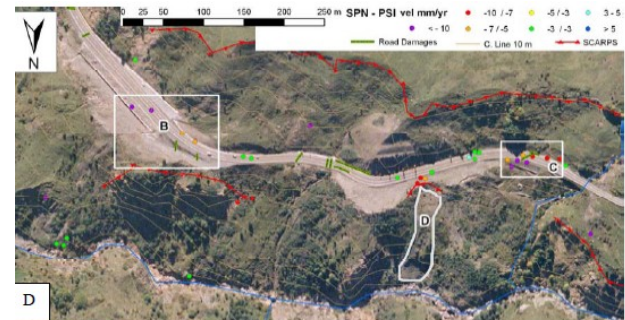


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## Gemorphological field mapping (Brunsdon, 1985)



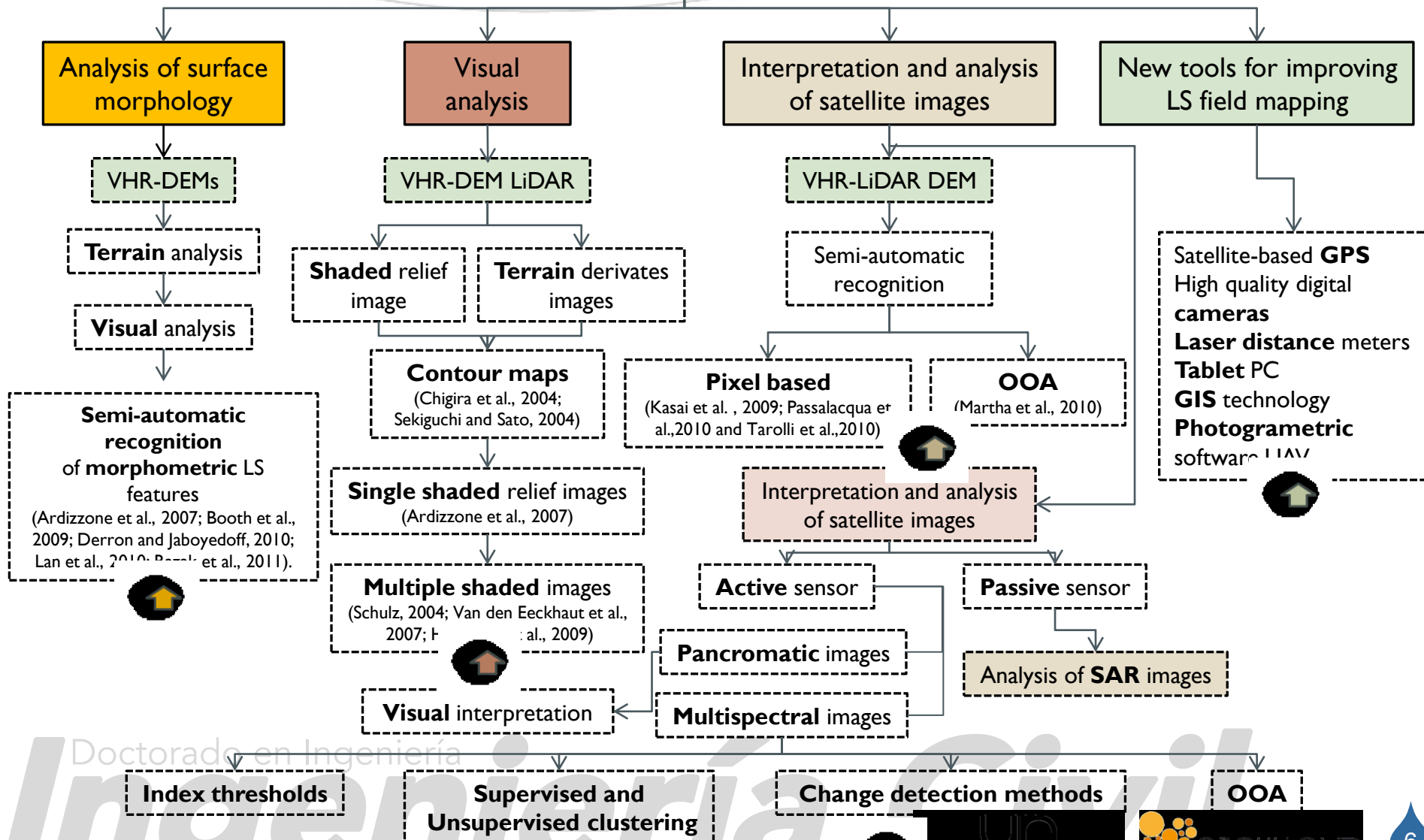
## Visual interpretation of aerial photographs (Rib and Liang, 1978; Turner and Schuster, 1996)



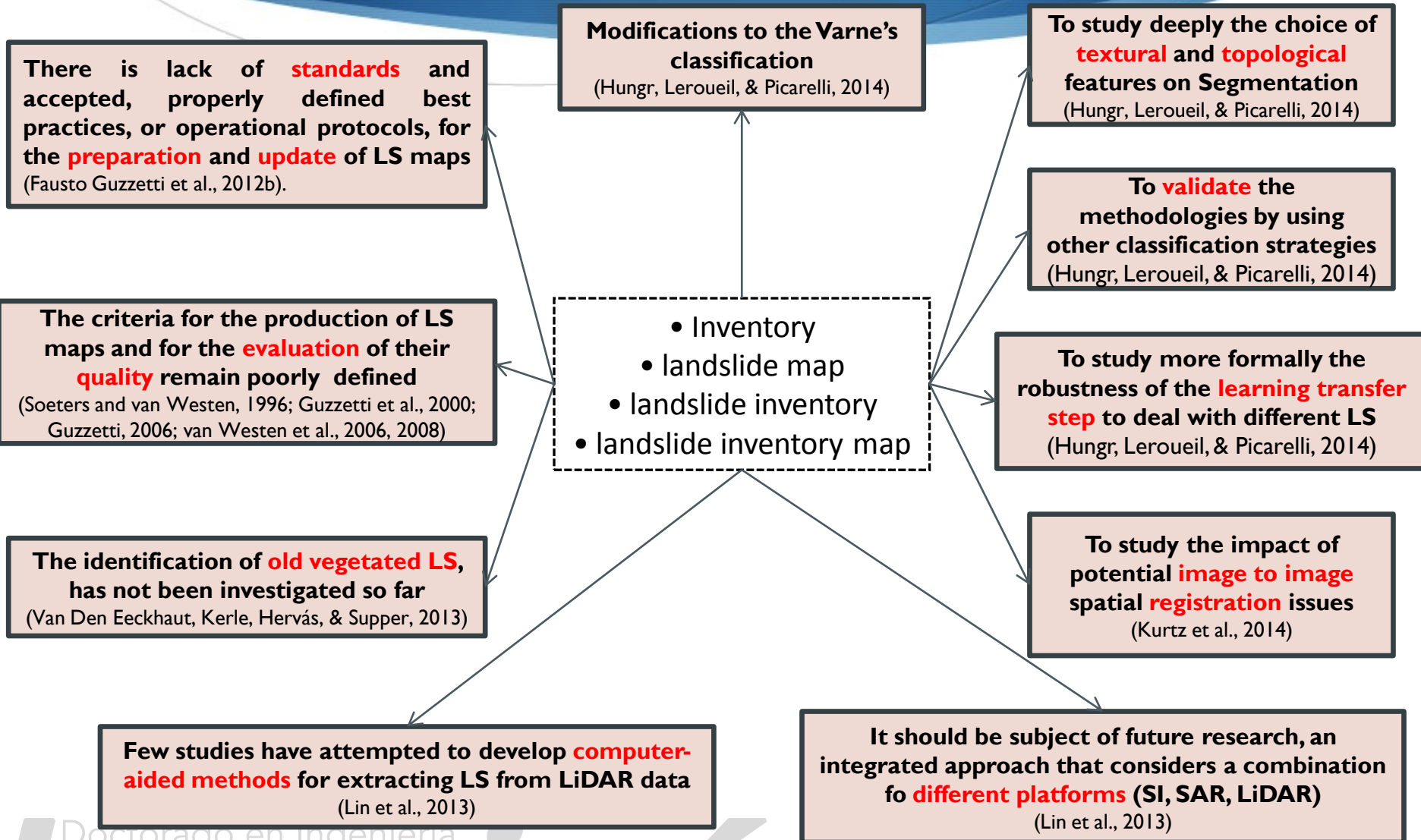
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# State of the art: Landslides recognition

## Recent and new methods



# Lack of research





# Problem

LS are one of the **main natural threats** in mountainous areas of the world; they cause significant **damage to property, life and engineering projects**. To comprehend the spatial and temporal occurrence of those, as well as the risk management, one must start by comprehending the **detection methods** and **LS cartography** (Martha, Kerle, Jetten, van Westen, & Kumar, 2010).

LS inventories are the most important source of information for the **quantitative zoning of susceptibility**, hazard and slide risk, for they gather data about **position, date, type, size, activity** and **causal factors**, as well as potential damage. The national landslide databases use harvesting methods for traditional data (**field survey, historical data analysis, scientific literature** inclusion, **technical reports** and **aerial photo interpretation** (Ventura, Vilardo, & Terranova, 2013).

LS cartography is carried out through **photo geological interpretation** from images. This manual method is **slow** and requires **professional working**; besides, the **high cost limits** the number of places that can be studied with detail. The application of automatic cartographic techniques increases the process speed, reduces the cost (Bue & Stepinski, 2006) and uses spectral, spatial morphometric and contextual properties (Martha et al., 2010).

The visual, **automatic** and **semiautomatic analysis** of satellite images of VHR has been considered a promising way to identifying and mapping landslides both in **local** and **regional** scale. However, the state of the art of the image analysis tools used in landslide cartography deals with the **homogenous radiometry hypothesis**, which can't manipulate the new spatial detail levels of VHR images. Therefore, **new methodologies for image analysis** have to be proposed for landslide cartography from optical satellite images VHR (Kurtz et al., 2014).

There is **not a single** or unique **method for landslide identification** through stereo-pair images; recognition of landslides through imagery may be affected by land-use cover and by height, type, and density of vegetation. Additionally, **landslide boundaries** could also be **difficult to delineate**, even in the case of recent or very small landslides (Murillo-García et al., 2014).



# Hyphotesis

LS **discernible signs**, most of which can be **recognized, classified, and mapped** in the field, through the interpretation of (stereoscopic) **aerial photographs, satellite images**, or digital representations of the **topographic surface** (Rin and Liang, 1978; Hansen, 1984 a, 1984 b, Hutchinson, 1988; Turner and Schuster, 1996; Guzzetti et al., 2000).

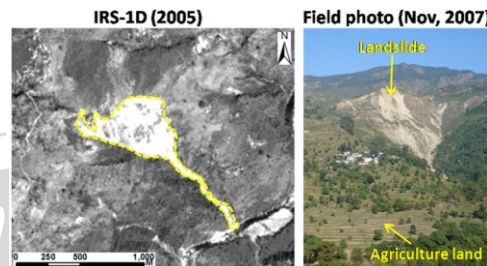
The **morphological signature** of a LS depends on the type and the rate of motion of the mass movement (Cruden & Varnes, 1996; Dikau et al. 1996).

LS **do not occur randomly**, or by chance (Guzzetti et al., 2002; Turcotte et al., 2002). Slope failures are the result of the interplay of physical processes, and mechanical laws controlling the stability or failure of a slope.

For landslide, geomorphologists adopt the principle that “**the past and present are keys to the future**” (D. J. Varnes, 1984; Carrara et al., 1991; Hutchinson, 1995; Aleotti and Chowdhury, 1999; Guzzetti et al., 1999, 2000), a consequence of uniformitarianism..

The **satellite images of Very High Resolution** contain enough spatial data for deploying attributes of the geomorphological surface and can, in principle, carry out an analysis in the **sub-part level** that integrate a LS (Kurtz, Passat, Gançarski, & Puissant, 2012).

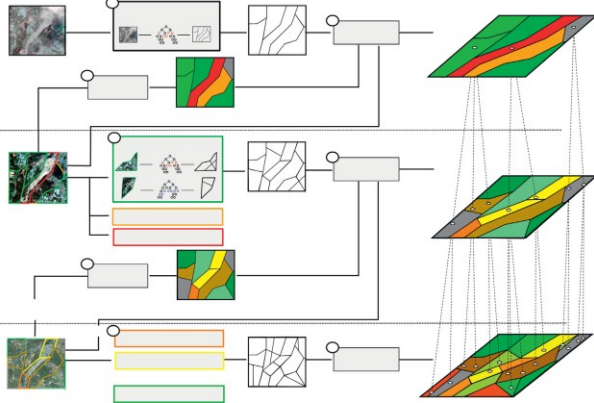
The high resolution **topographical data** (LiDAR) has the potential to distinguish the morphological components inside a landslide and showing signals of **material type** and **landslides activities** (Glenn, Streutker, Chadwick, Thackray, & Dorsch, 2006).



Taken from (Tapas et al., 2012)

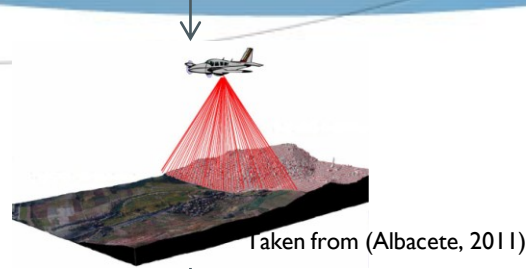
# Summary of approaches

## Top-Down Hierarchical Approach (TDHA)

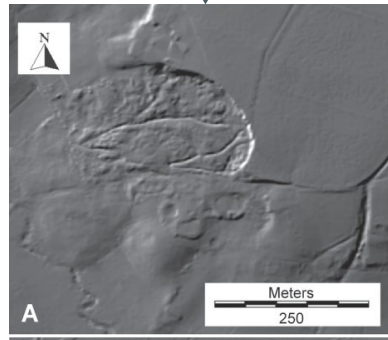


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## Airborne laser scanning

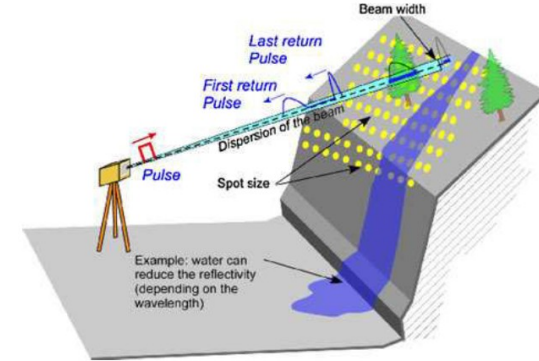


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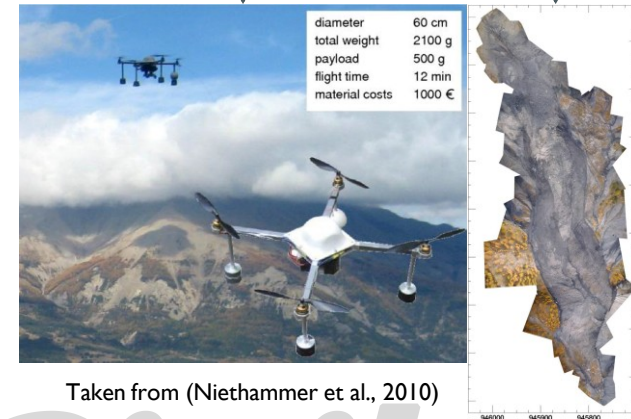
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## Terrestrial laser scanning



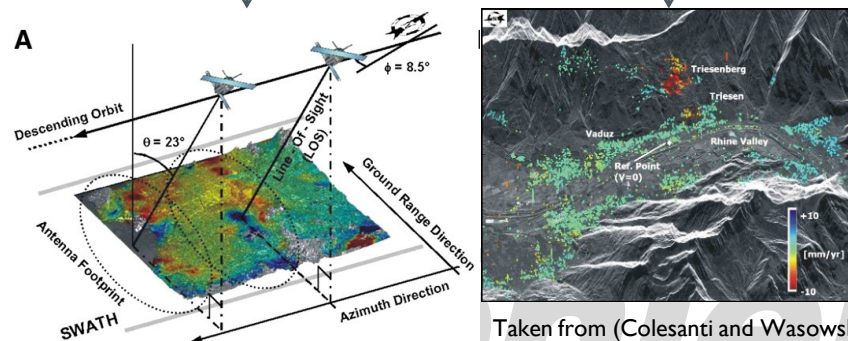
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## UAV-based remote sensing



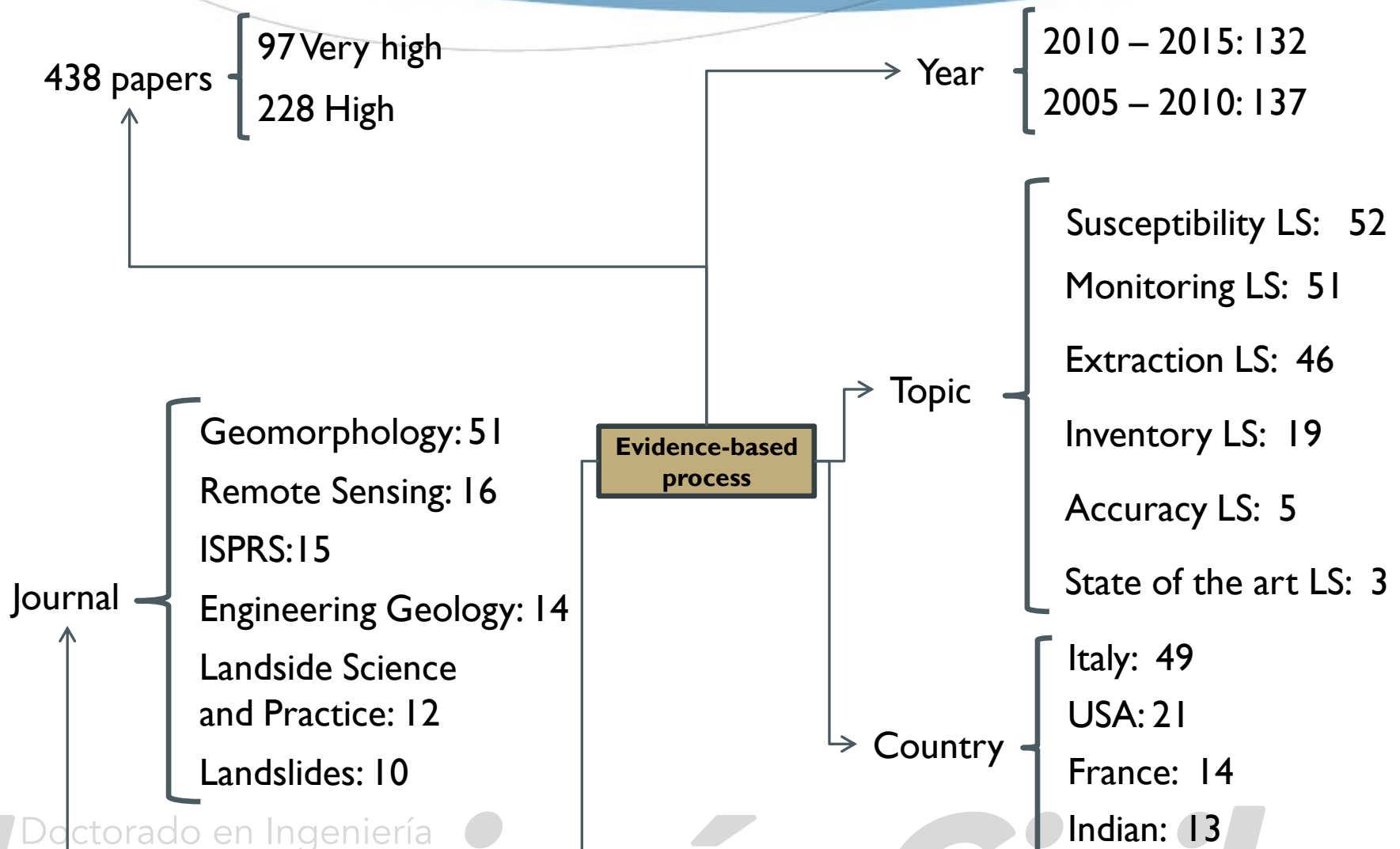
Taken from (Niethammer et al., 2010)

## Space borne Synthetic Aperture Radar Interferometry



Taken from (Colesanti and Wasowski, 2006)

# Systematic literature review



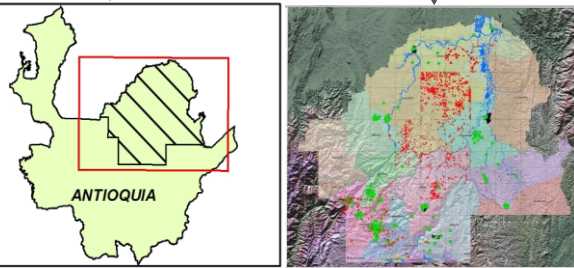
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# Study area

## Criterion

### Previous studies of LS geomorphology



CORANTIOQUIA-IGAC (Karin, 2013)

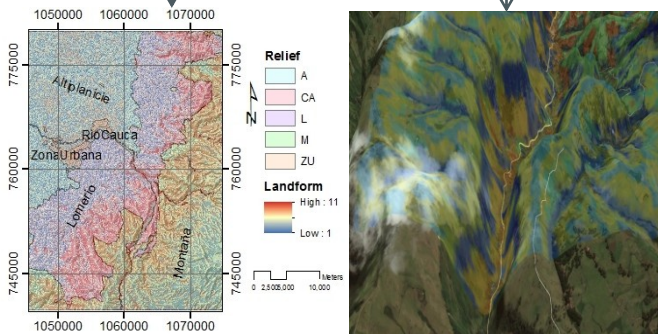
### Roads affected during period 2010-2011 winter

Tramo	Departamento	Eventos de cierre total
Honda – Alto de la Mona – Villeta	Cundinamarca	111
Puente La Libertad – Fresno – Honda	Caldas – Tolima	41
San Roque – Bosconia	Cesar	36
Chigorodó – Dabeiba	Antioquia	34
Barbosa – Cisneros – Puerto Berrío	Antioquia	33

Tramo	Departamento	Eventos de cierre parcial
Barbosa – Cisneros – Puerto Berrío	Antioquia	312
Honda – Alto de la Mona – Villeta	Cundinamarca	299
San Roque – Bosconia	Cesar	214
Pasto – Popayán	Cauca	175
Bucaramanga – San Alberto	Santander	102

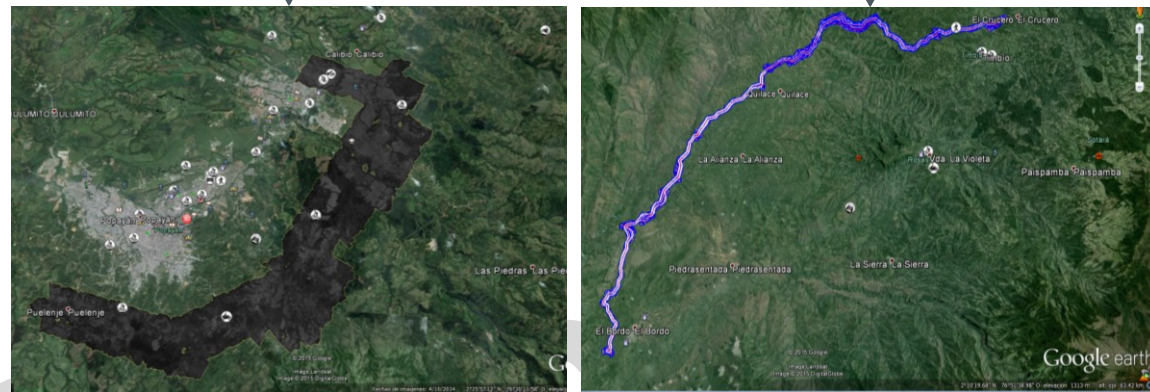
Vulnerability terms, MinTransporte (2012)

### Geomorphometry study



Master's thesis (Correa, 2012)

### Data availability





# Materials

## Satellite images

### Active images

Medium Resolution  
15 a 30 m

High Resolution  
5 m

Very high resolution

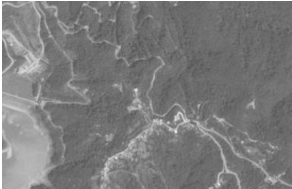
LANDSAT  
ASTER  
SPOT5

RAPID-EYE

Panchromatic  
0.5-1.5 m

Multispectral  
1.8-4.0 m

Quickbird  
Worldview  
GeoEye-1  
IKONOS  
EROS-B  
SPOT-6  
PLEIADES-1 A y IB



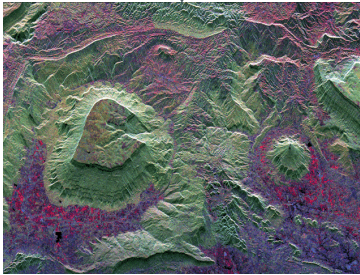
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## Satellite images

### Passive images

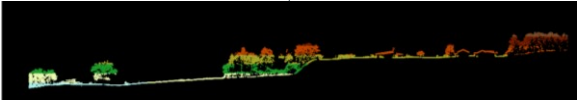
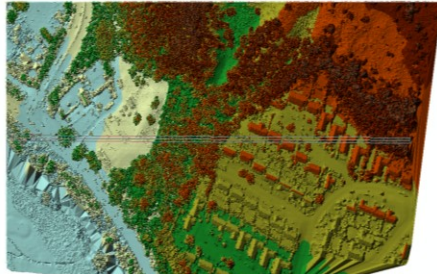
### Radar images

ERS-1 and ERS-2  
RadarSAT  
JERS-1  
SRTM  
ENVISAT  
PALSAR/ALOS  
TERRA-SAR  
E-SAR



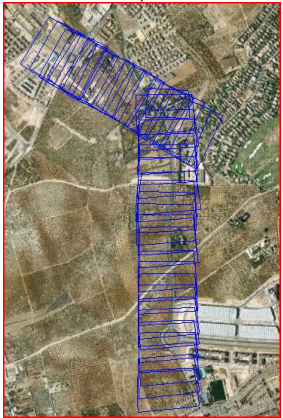
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## LiDAR



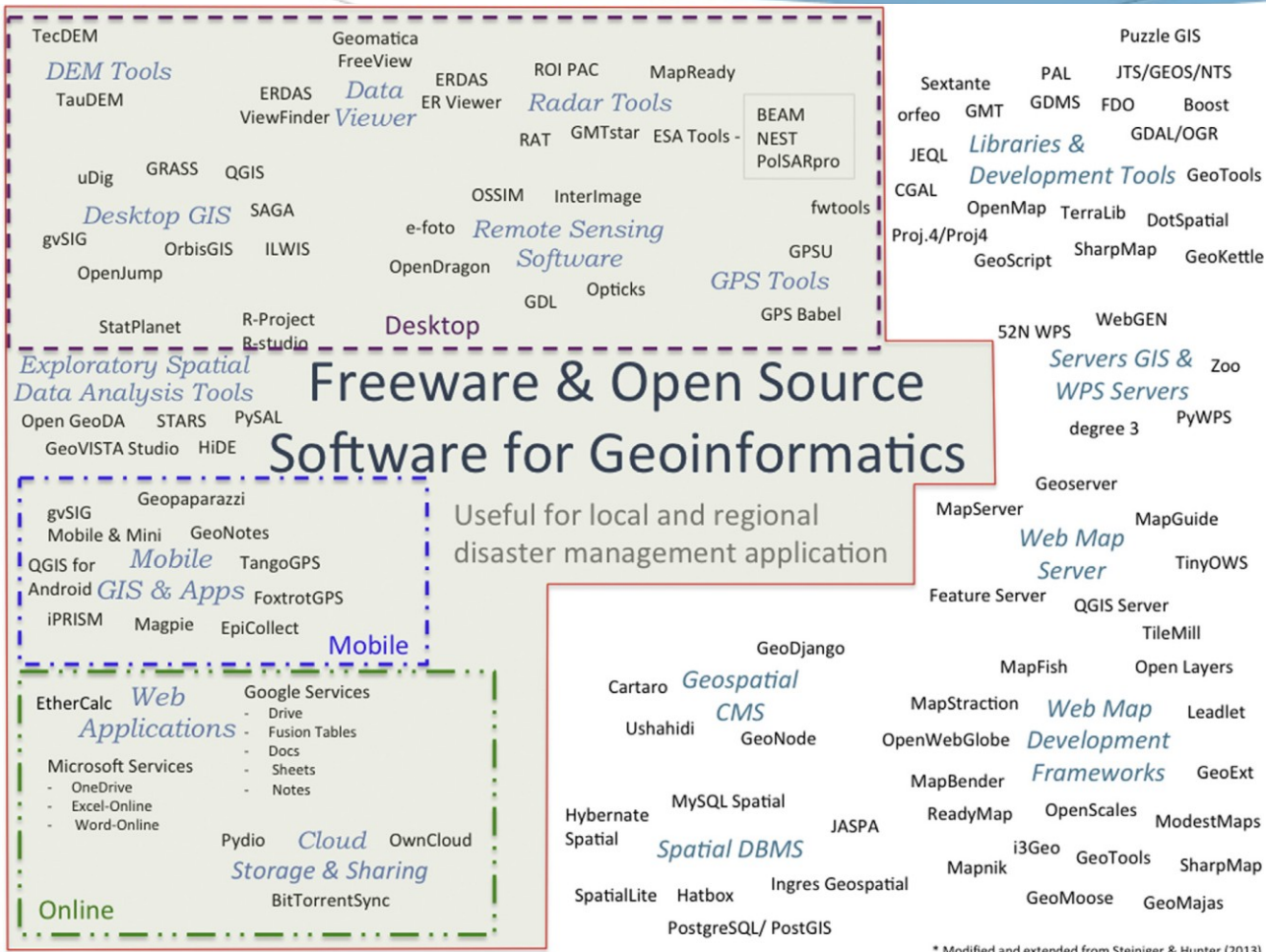
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## UAV



Taken from (Meroño et al., 2013)

# Software



- Visual\_Data (Carr, 2002)
- SOM-PAK (kohonen et al., 1996)
- ImageStation Automatic Elevation (Prokesova et al., 2010)
- JAVA-MUSTIC and ORFERO TOOLBOX (de Lussy et al., 2005)
- Algorithms in eCognition: Mean Shift and Region Merging (Baatz and Schape, 2000)
- Leica Photogrammetry Suite de ERDAS IMAGINE and Stereo Analyst de ArcGIS (Margottini et al., 2013)
- Algoritmo Gram-Schmidt Spectral Sharpening de ENVI (Guzzetti et al., 2012)

\* Modified and extended from Steiniger & Hunter (2013)

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