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GIS-Based Assessment of Land Surface Temperature Changes Over Khorramabad City (Lorestan, Iran)

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ABSTRACT

Development of remote sensing applications has led to their use in a wide range of environmental studies. One of these aspects is urban studies and especially land surface temperature. In this study, the changes in land surface temperature in the Khorramabad city in Iran were investigated and the causes of land temperature changes were investigated. For this purpose, Landsat satellite images were processed in four periods of 2000, 2007, 2014 and 2021 and were recovered using a single-channel surface temperature algorithm. Temperatures were high in 2000 due to the type of roofs of buildings and the dirt around the city. Decreased in 2007 and 2014 due to the use of roofs that reflect light. In 2021, due to severe manipulations around the city and the destruction of vegetation and change it into built-up bare soil cover caused the temperature to rise again in the suburbs.

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ÖZ

Uzaktan algılama uygulamalarının gelişmesi, çeşitli çevresel çalışmalarda kullanılmasına yol açmıştır. Bu çalışmalardan biri de kentsel çalışmalar ve özellikle arazi yüzey sıcaklığıdır. Bu çalışmada İran'ın Khorramabad şehrinde arazi yüzey sıcaklığındaki değişimler incelenmiş ve arazi sıcaklık değişimlerinin sebepleri araştırılmıştır. Bu amaçla Landsat uydu görüntüleri 2000, 2007, 2014 ve 2021 olmak üzere dört periyotta işlenmiş ve tek kanallı yüzey sıcaklığı algoritması kullanılarak iyileştirilmiştir. 2000 yılında binalardaki çatı tipi şehrin çevresindeki kirlilik nedeniyle sıcaklıklar yüksekti. 2007 ve 2014 yılları arasında ışığı yansıtan çatıların kullanılması nedeniyle bu sıcaklıklar azalmıştır. 2021 yılında, şehrin etrafındaki şiddetli manipülasyonlar ve bitki örtüsünün yok edilmesi ve çıplak toprak örtüsüne dönüştürülmesi banliyölerde sıcaklığın yeniden yükselmesine neden olmuştur.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Land surface temperature (LST) is one of the key parameters in the physics of surface processes from local to global scale (Li et al., 2013). The most pressing problem on Earth, especially in urban areas, is rising surface temperatures due to the conversion of vegetation surfaces to impermeable surfaces (Mallick et al., 2008; Pal & Ziaul, 2017). Increasing heat storage capacity at the urban level creates urban heat islands (UHIs) where built-up areas are warmer than adjacent rural areas (Rizwan et al., 2008; Tran et al., 2017). Increasing heat storage capacity at the urban level creates urban heat islands (UHIs) where built-up areas are warmer than adjacent rural areas (Rizwan et al., 2008; Tran et al., 2017).

Global warming is one of the major consequences of human activities in which excessive use of fossil fuels as energy sources increases the concentration of greenhouse gases (GHGs) such as CO₂, CH₄, N₂O and water vapor in the atmosphere, which in itself increases the average surface temperature of the earth (Al-Ghussain, 2019). Direct global warming is difficult to detect because most people experience only local climate change and do not understand long-term global climate trends; Thus, local analysis of climate change may play an important role in adapting behavior and supporting climate change policies (Marx et al., 2007; Spence et al., 2011; Howe et al., 2013). Direct global warming is difficult to detect because most people experience only local climate change and do not understand long-term global climate trends; Thus, local analysis of climate change may play an important role in adapting behavior and supporting climate change policies (Marx et al., 2007; Spence et al., 2011; Howe et al., 2013).

The problem of optimal control for deliberate intervention in the Earth's climate system is considered with the aim of stabilizing the global temperature (Soldatenko & Yusupov, 2019). To date, the goal of measures taken to stabilize global temperature rise (temperature control) below 2° C is probably insufficient (Da Cunha & Eames, 2016). If this goal is to be achieved, more efforts must be made to decarbonize global energy consumption (which still relies heavily on fossil fuel sources) (Hawkes, 2014). Heat island changes depend on many factors, including land use changes (Maleki et al., 2020; Zare Naghadehi et al., 2021), population changes (Manoli et al., 2019), altitude changes (Mathew et al., 2017). Vegetation changes (Gui et al., 2019) and

Related research has confirmed that there is an exchange of energy between the Earth's surface and the near-surface atmosphere, and that LST retrieved

from thermal infrared remote sensing has a high correlation with air temperature (Shen et al., 2020). Hence, the use of satellite data for LST retrieval is widely used to estimate air temperature (Feizizadeh & Blaschke, 2012; Cammalleri et al., 2012; Hooker et al., 2018; Collados-Lara et al., 2020; Goldblatt et al., 2021). Investigating the city's heat island from the past (Bornstein, 1968; Myrup, 1969; Oke, 1982; Kim, 1992) to the present (Mirzaei, 2015; Yin et al., 2018; He, 2019; Chakraborty, 2020; Halder et al., 2021; Li et al., 2022), has been one of the hottest topics in urban research, especially urban climate. With this introduction, some related research results are presented below.

Hashemi Darebadami et al. (2019) used Modis images to analyze the spatial-temporal of the heat island and its relationship with environmental parameters in Tehran. The results showed that the heat island had daily and seasonal spatial and temporal fluctuations. Maleki et al. (2017) studied the changes of the thermal island of Kermanshah in the period 1393-1397, which showed that the use of reflective roofing has reduced the average temperature. Mansourmoghaddam et al. (1400) in an article on the heat island of Yazd in the period 1990-2020 and concluded that changes in the thermal island boundaries are strongly dependent on land use changes. Hoffmann et al. (2012) examined monthly changes in the city's thermal island; The results showed that the UHI changes were different for different months. The results of Zhang et al. (2013) research showed that changes in land use / land cover and population change led to significant changes in the spatial and temporal patterns of the thermal island due to the loss of water bodies and vegetation levels. A study in the United States found interesting results that indicated the approach of a heat island in urban and rural areas due to changes in rural areas (Scott et al., 2018).

2. STUDY AREA

Khorramabad city is the capital of Lorestan province and the center of Khorramabad city, which is located in the southwest of the country and among the Zagros valleys. This city shares borders with Selseleh city from the north, Andimeshk city from the south, Doroud and Aligudarz cities from the east, and Durah and Poldakhtar cities from the west and southwest. The climate of this city is also temperate and semi-humid Mediterranean (Nikpour et al., 2020). According to the results of the 2016 census, the population of this city was more than 370000 people (Statistics Center of Iran, 2016) and is the 23rd most populous city in Iran (Moradipour et al., 2020). Figure 1 shows a map of the study area.

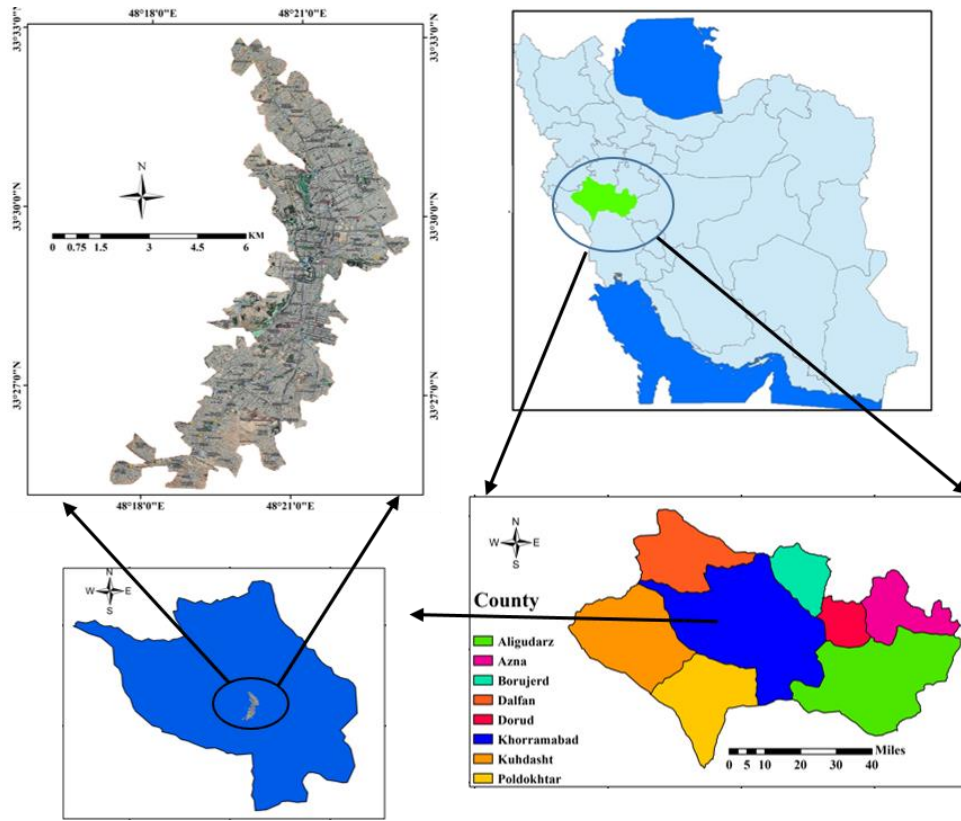


Figure 1. The case study area

3. METODOLOGY

In this study, Landsat satellite images were used to study the temperature changes trend in Khorramabad city. The information about the date and characteristics of the images used in Table 1 is presented. Due to the fact that these images were from two different sensors, the images were register relative to each other to eliminate the effect of geometric distortions. The landsat_gapfill plugin in ENVI software was used to correct the 2007 image Scan Line Corrector (SLC) (Brooks et al., 2018). Also,

other preprocessing required to obtain ground surface temperature included spectral radiance (Rajeshwari & Mani, 2014) and reflection coefficient (Sekertekin, 2019).

The amount of income, quality of housing, population aging and youth population. According to past studies, effects of each variable (positive or negative) has been determined. For positive effect we use the symbol of “+” and for negative the symbol of “-”. The name of criteria, effectiveness, explanation for each one, extraction method and source for every index is available in Table 1.

Table 1. Images used

| S. No | Landsat Name | Landsat Scene ID | Path | Row | Image Acquisition Date |
|-------|--------------|------------------------------------|------|-----|------------------------|
| 1 | ETM+ | LE07_L1TP_166037_20000529_20170211 | 166 | 37 | 29/05/2000 |
| 2 | ETM+ | LE07_L1TP_166037_20070618_20170103 | 166 | 37 | 18/06/2007 |
| 3 | OLI | LC08_L1TP_166037_20140528_20170422 | 166 | 37 | 28/05/2014 |
| 4 | OLI | LC08_L1TP_166037_20210531_20210608 | 166 | 37 | 31/05/2021 |

3.1 Brightness Temperature

$$T = \frac{K2}{\ln\left(\frac{K1}{L\lambda} + 1\right)} \quad (1)$$

Here T is the brightness temperature of the sensor surface in Kelvin (K), $L\lambda$ is high spectral

radiation [$W / (m^2 sr \mu m)$], K2 is the calibration coefficient in Kelvin, K1 is the calibration coefficient in Kelvin [$W / (m^2 sr \mu m)$]. Is The coefficients for Landsat sensors are presented in Table 2.

Table 2. Coefficients K1 and K2 for Landsat sensors

| Coefficient / sensor | Landsat 4 and 5TM | Landsat 7 ETM+ | Landsat 8 Band 10 | Landsat 8 Band 11 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| K1[W/(m ² Sr μm)] | 76/607 | 09/666 | 08/1321 | 1201/14 |
| K2 [kelvin] | 56/1260 | 71/1282 | 89/777 | 89/480 |

3.2 NDVI Vegetation Index

NDVI index plays a large role in energy interactions between the earth and the atmosphere, this index is widely used in the process of retrieving the surface temperature of the earth and can be calculated through Equation 2 (Maleki et al., 2018).

$$NDVI = \frac{\rho_{NIR} - \rho_{RED}}{\rho_{NIR} + \rho_{RED}} \quad (2)$$

In this regard, ρ_{NIR} is the near-red infinity band reflection and ρ_{RED} is the red band reflection.

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon &= a + b\rho_{red} \quad (FVC = 0) \\ \varepsilon &= \varepsilon_s(1 - FVC) + \varepsilon_v FVC \quad (0 < FVC < 1) \\ \varepsilon &= 0.99 \quad (FVC = 1) \end{aligned}$$

ρ_{red} the red band reflectance of the OLI sensor (band 4), a and b are the linear correlation coefficients of the red band reflectance with the surface emissivity, ε_s the radiant power of the soil and ε_v the surface emissivity of the vegetation.

3.5 Land Surface Temperature Retrieval from Single Channel (SC) Algorithm

The SC algorithm used to recover LST from Landsat satellite thermal images was developed by Jiménez-Muñoz et al. (2003) and then (2014). This algorithm applies to all Landsat in the same way with relation 5.

$$T_s = \gamma \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon} (\psi_1 L_{sen} + \psi_2) + \psi_3 \right] + \delta \quad (5)$$

In this, T_s is the surface temperature, ε is the land surface emissivity of the surface and L_{sen} is the radiance at the sensor surface. The parameters γ and δ are obtained from Equation 6.

$$\gamma \approx \frac{T_{sen}^2}{b_\gamma L_{sen}}; \quad \delta \approx T_{sen} - \frac{T_{sen}^2}{b_\gamma} \quad (6)$$

In this, T_{sen} is the brightness temperature of the sensor surface, b_γ , which is 1256, 1277 and 1324 for Landsat 5, 7 and 8, respectively (Cristóbal et al.,

3.3 Vegetation Fraction Cover (FVC)

Fraction Vegetation Cover was estimated from Equation 3. This index can be calculated with the NDVI index and the minimum and maximum values of this index, according to Equation 3.

$$FVC = \left[\frac{NDVI - NDVI_{min}}{NDVI_{max} - NDVI_{min}} \right]^2 \quad (3)$$

Where $NDVI_{min}$ is the lowest NDVI and $NDVI_{max}$ is the highest NDVI (dense vegetation).

3.4 Surface Emissivity

By calculating the vegetation fraction (FVC), the surface emissivity from Equation (4) is calculated.

$$\begin{aligned} \xrightarrow{TIRS1} &= 0.979 - 0.046r_{OLI-B4} \\ \xrightarrow{TIRS2} &= 0.982 - 0.027r_{OLI-B4} \\ \xrightarrow{TIRS1} &= 0.971(1-FVC) + 0.987FVC \\ \xrightarrow{TIRS2} &= 0.977(1-FVC) + 0.989FVC \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

2018; Sekertekin & Bonafoni, 2020). Ψ_3 (and Ψ_2) (and Ψ_1) are atmospheric functions that are obtained for Landsat according to Equation 7 (Galve et al, 2022).

$$\begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \psi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.04019 & 0.02916 & 1.01523 \\ -0.38333 & -1.50294 & 0.20324 \\ 0.00918 & 1.36072 & -0.27514 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W^2 \\ W \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

After conducting the research stages, the results of land surface temperature in four time periods were determined. Figure 2 shows a map of the land surface temperature in 2000. The map is divided into five classes, the first class of temperatures below 35 degrees and the last class of temperatures above 50 degrees Celsius. According to Figure 2, the urban peripheral had higher temperatures, this is because the area around the city had not yet been built in 2000, and according to studies, bare soil has a higher temperature. This continues almost to the center of the city; Because in these parts, the houses have not been built densely yet. Cool areas on the map are often vegetation.

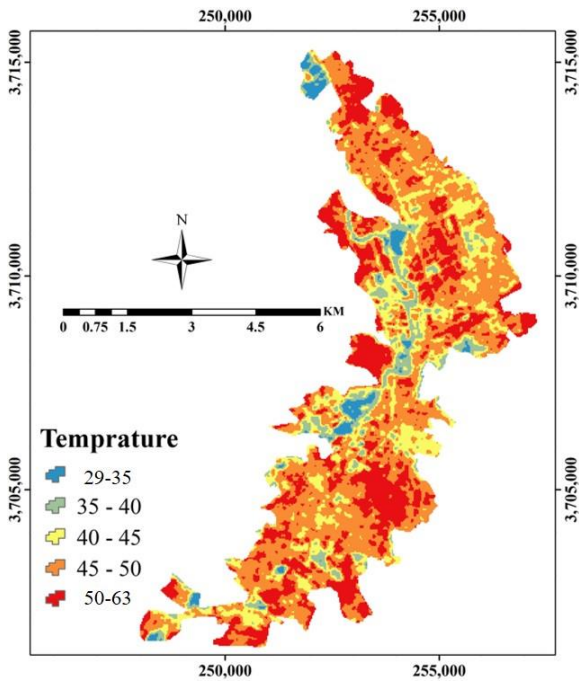


Figure 2. Land surface temperature map of Khorramabad in 2000

According to the information presented in Table 3, the highest area of the city by the fourth class, (the range between 45-50 degrees Celsius), which is about 46% of the city in this area. Then the temperature range is more than 50 degrees, which covers more than 25% of the city.

Table 3. Area of temperature classes of 2000

| Class | Area(ha) | Percent |
|-------|----------|---------|
| 1 | 942041 | 2.4% |
| 2 | 2711531 | 6.88% |
| 3 | 7668090 | 19.47% |
| 4 | 18110126 | 45.98% |
| 5 | 9952428 | 25.27% |

Figure 3 shows the LST map of the city for 2007; According to this figure, it can be seen that the third temperature class (40-45 degrees Celsius) has expanded a lot compared to 2000, but the fourth temperature class still has a wide range.

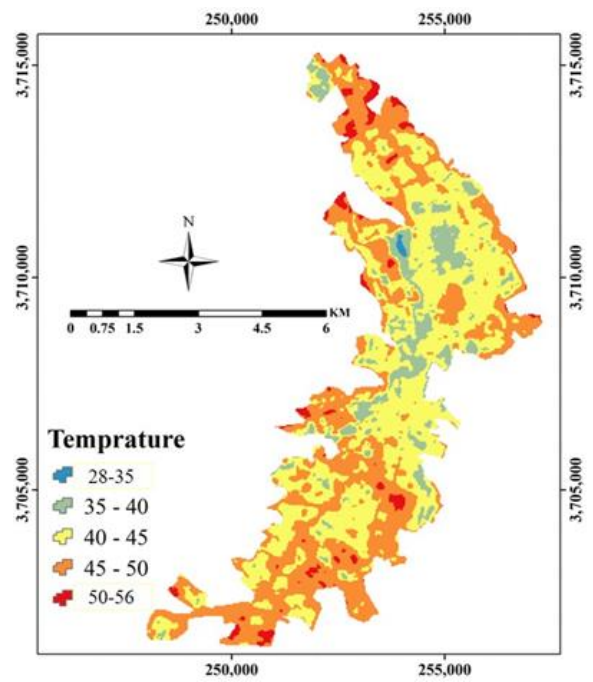


Figure 3. Land surface temperature map of Khorramabad in 2007

According to the results presented in the table, the highest temperature range is related to the temperature class of 40-45 degrees with more than 46% of the largest area of the city, but still the temperature range of 45-50 degrees has a large range and more than 40% of the city covered.

Table 4. Area of temperature classes of 2007

| Class | Area(ha) | Percent |
|-------|----------|---------|
| 1 | 75510 | 0.19% |
| 2 | 3906204 | 9.92% |
| 3 | 18285953 | 46.43% |
| 4 | 15833731 | 40.2% |
| 5 | 1282817 | 3.26% |

The land surface temperature map for 2014 shows that the temperatures in the city have progressed towards cooling so that the expansion of the temperature class is 35-40 degrees compared to previous periods, which is quite evident in Figure 4. But the peripheral of the current city area are still the hottest areas because in 2014 the buildings were single and made up mostly of soil.

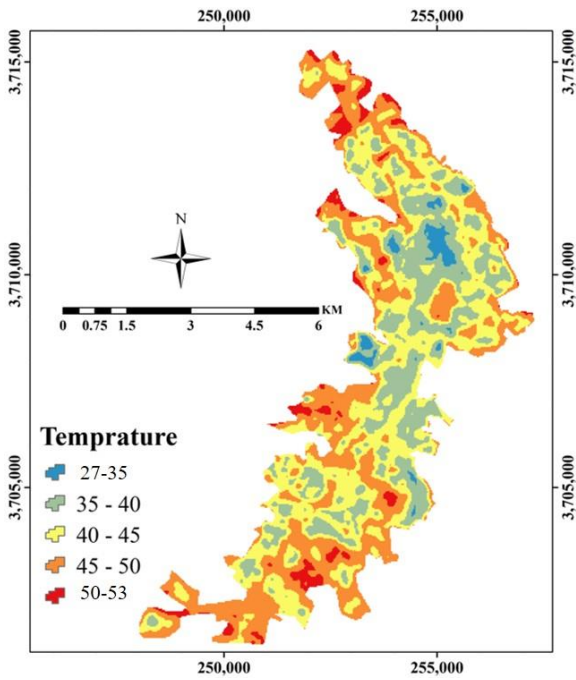


Figure 4. Land surface temperature map of Khorramabad in 2014

Table 5 shows the statistical information of the area and percentage of range covered by each of the temperature classes. According to the information presented in this table, the temperature class has expanded 35-40 degrees and the area of 40-45- and 45-50-degrees classes has been reduced.

Table 5. Area of temperature classes of 2014

| Class | Area(ha) | Percent |
|-------|----------|---------|
| 1 | 892747 | 2.11% |
| 2 | 9221182 | 23.41% |
| 3 | 14753712 | 37.46% |
| 4 | 12880867 | 32.71% |
| 5 | 1698706 | 4.31% |

According to Figure 5, the temperature in the city has risen sharply as temperature classes below 40 °C are seen in the map as very small areas. But on the other hand, the temperature zones above 40 degrees have increased, which can be said that the greatest increase is related to the temperature class above 50 degrees.

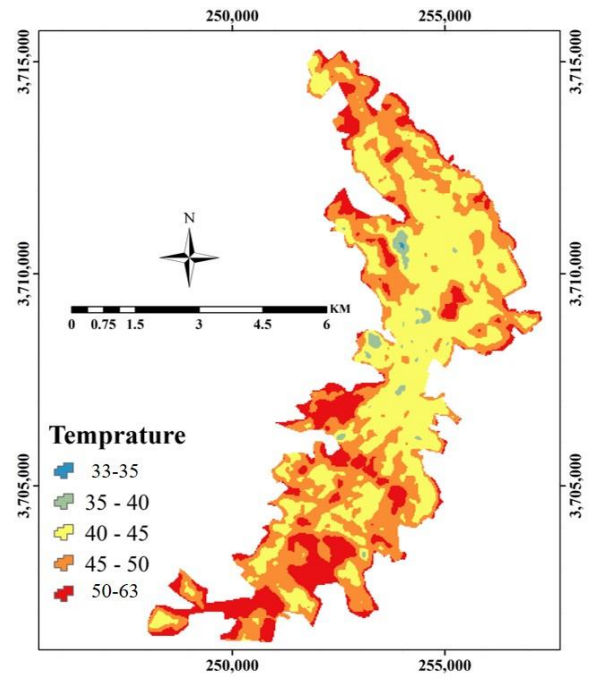


Figure 5. Land surface temperature map of Khorramabad in 2021

Looking at the statistics presented in Table 6, we will see that the area of the temperature class above 50 degrees has more than quadrupled. On the other hand, the temperature range of less than 40 degrees has been greatly reduced and its temperature zones have been increased to the temperature zones of other classes.

Table 6. Area of temperature classes of 2021

| Class | Area(ha) | Percent |
|-------|----------|---------|
| 1 | 11833 | 0.03% |
| 2 | 473322 | 1.2% |
| 3 | 16798862 | 42.65% |
| 4 | 15037108 | 38.18% |
| 5 | 7063090 | 17.94% |

5. CONCLUSION

Studying how the land surface temperature changes is one of the interesting research topics that many researches are done in the world every year. The thermal island actually shows how cities have higher temperatures than their surroundings. In this study, the land surface temperature changes in the city of Khorramabad in the periods of 2000, 2007, 2014 and 2021 were investigated. The study of the obtained results shows an interesting pattern of temperature changes in the city of Khorramabad. In the first period (2000), a large area of the study area had a temperature range above 50 degrees, which was due to the fact that, firstly, the peripheral sections in 2000 were bare soil zones, which during various studies it has been shown that bare soil often has a higher temperature than the surrounding land uses. Secondly, the roofs of Iranian urban houses in the past (around 2000 and before) were mostly covered with black asphalt and sometimes the roofs of houses were made of dirt. The interesting thing

about the next two periods (2007 and 2014) is that lower temperatures have risen in the city center; This is due to the use of a type of roof covering in recent years, which often has colors that reflect sun radiation (In the past, bitumen and asphalt were used to cover the roof, but in recent years, the use of Waterproofing with colors that reflect sun radiation has reduced LST). Regarding the temperature changes in 2021, the central part of the city is still cooler than the around one's for the reasons mentioned. But the high temperature spread around the city (where in previous times it was not a city, but today it has become a city) this is because the vegetation in these areas has been completely destroyed for construction and replaced by buildings and bare soil (bare soil that are being prepared for construction).

Author contributions

The author declares that has contributed 100% to the article.

Conflicts of Interest

The author declare no conflict of interest.

Declaration of research and publication ethics

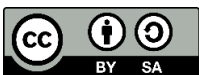
In the study, the authors declare that there is no violation of research and publication ethics and that the study does not require ethical committee approval.

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