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### Water Quality Inversion of a Typical Rural Small River in South-eastern China Based on UAV Multispectral Imagery: A Comparison of Multiple Machine Learning Algorithms

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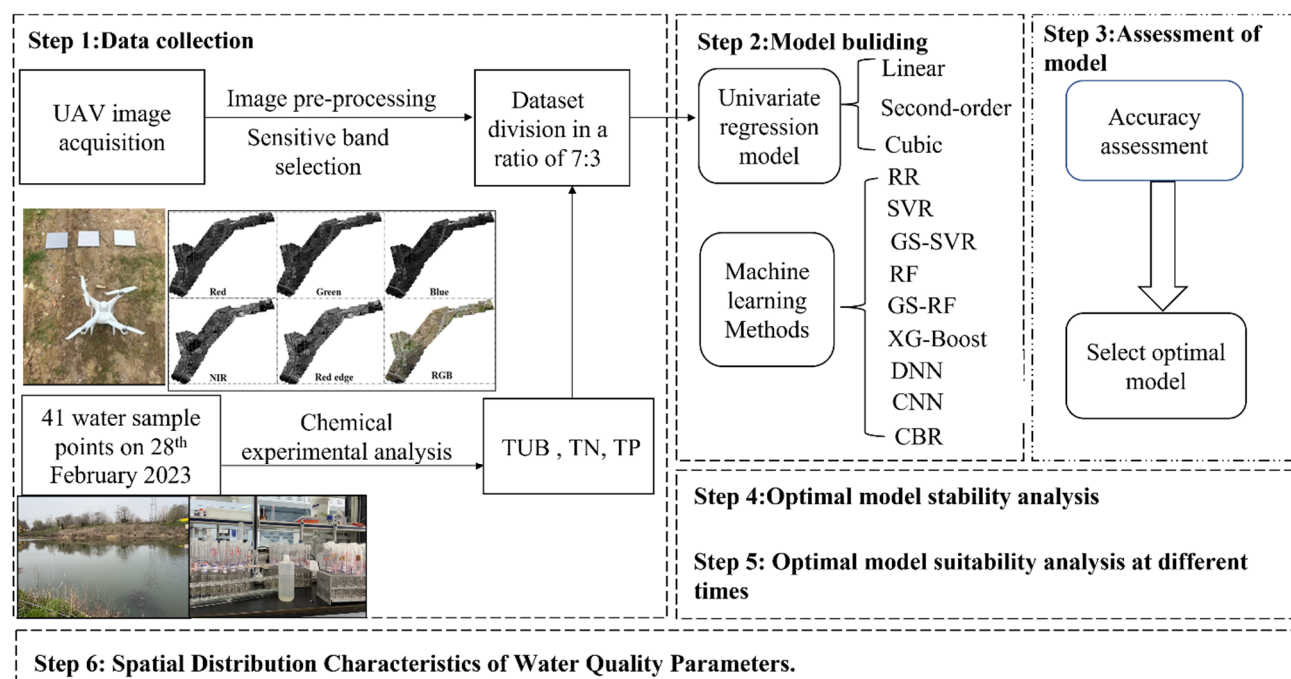


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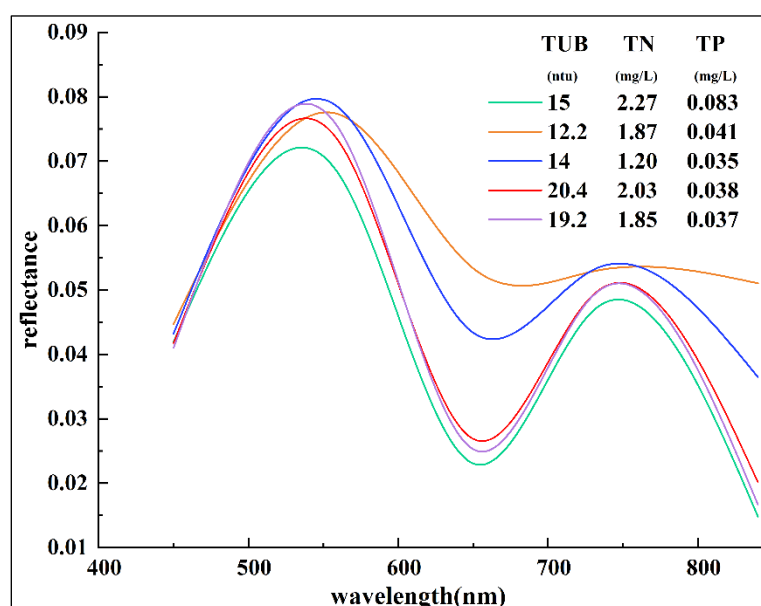


Figure S2. Spectral curves of water sampling.

**Table S1.** Calculation of the selected band combinations.

<b>Index</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Index</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Index</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Index</b>	<b>Formula</b>
V1	B1	V13	B3+B4	V25	B4-B5	V37	B3/B5
V2	B2	V14	B3+B5	V26	B1/B2	V38	B4/B5
V3	B3	V15	B4+B5	V27	B1/B3	V39	$(B1+B2)/(B1-B2)$
V4	B4	V16	B1-B2	V28	B1/B4	V40	$(B1+B3)/(B1-B3)$
V5	B5	V17	B1-B3	V29	B1/B5	V41	$(B1+B4)/(B1-B4)$
V6	B1+B2	V18	B1-B4	V30	B2/B1	V42	$(B1+B5)/(B1-B5)$
V7	B1+B3	V19	B1-B5	V31	B2/B3	V43	$(B2+B3)/(B2-B3)$
V8	B1+B4	V20	B2-B3	V32	B2/B4	V44	$(B2+B4)/(B2-B4)$
V9	B1+B5	V21	B2-B4	V33	B2/B5	V45	$(B2+B5)/(B2-B5)$
V10	B2+B3	V22	B2-B5	V34	B3/B1	V46	$(B3+B4)/(B3-B4)$
V11	B2+B4	V23	B3-B4	V35	B3/B2	V47	$(B3+B5)/(B3-B5)$
V12	B2+B5	V24	B3-B5	V36	B3/B4	V48	$(B4+B5)/(B4-B5)$

Note: labels V1-V48 represent the number of each index.

**Table S2.** Hyperparameter settings for each model of the three water quality indicators.

Indicators	Models	Optimal Values of Hyperparameters
TUB	RR	$\lambda=3$ , max iter =50
	SVR	C=100, gamma=0.2
	GS-SVR	grid search with C = {50, 100,500, 1000, 1500, 2000} gamma = {0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1,0.2} obtained the optimal parameters as C = 50 and gamma=0.05.
	RF	estimators =500, max feature=4
	GS-RF	grid search with estimators = {100, 400, 800, 1200, 1600, 2000} max feature = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5} obtained the optimal parameters as estimators = 100 and max feature = 2.
	XGBoost	max depth=2, learning rate=0.05, estimators=100, gamma=0.3
	DNN	three hidden layers are set up, the number of neurons is 100, 168, and 80; learning rate=0.05
	CNN	two hidden layers are set, the number of convolution kernels is 36,12; the size of the convolutional kernel=3*3, the learning rate is 0.01, and the number of iterations is 200.
	CBR	iterations=100, learning rate=0.1, depth= 4
TN	RR	$\lambda=7$ , max iter =20
	SVR	C=100, gamma=0.02
	GS-SVR	grid search with C = {10,20,30,40,50,60,70} gamma = {0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.08,0.1} obtained the optimal parameters as estimator = 10 and gamma=0.08.
	RF	estimators =500, max feature=4
	GS-RF	grid search with estimators = {400, 800, 1200, 1600, 2000} max feature = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5} obtained the optimal parameters as estimator = 1600 and max feature = 3.
	XGBoost	max depth=3, learning rate=0.05, estimators=80, gamma=0.05
	DNN	three hidden layers are set up, the number of neurons is 100, 168, and 80; learning rate=0.05
	CNN	two hidden layers are set, the number of convolution kernels is 54,108; the size of the convolutional kernel is 3*3, the learning rate is 0.01, and the number of iterations is 100.
	CBR	iterations=100, learning rate=0.1, depth=4
TP	RR	$\lambda=4$ , max iter =10
	SVR	C=100, gamma=0.01
	GS-SVR	grid search with C = {50, 100,500, 1000, 1500, 2000} gamma = {0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1} obtained the optimal parameters as estimator = 50 and gamma=0.01.
	RF	estimators =200, max feature=4
	GS-RF	grid search with estimators = {100, 400, 800, 1200, 1600, 2000} max feature = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5} obtained the optimal parameters as estimator =100 and max feature =4.
	XGBoost	max depth=3, learning rate=0.1, estimators=600, gamma=0.01
	DNN	three hidden layers are set up, the number of neurons is 100, 168, and 80; learning rate=0.01
	CNN	two hidden layers are set, the number of convolution kernels is 48, 108, the size of the convolutional kernel is 3*3, the learning rate is 0.01, and the number of iterations is 200.
	CBR	iterations=100, learning rate=0.1, depth=3

**Table S3.** Single-variable regression results of water quality parameters.

Parameter	Index	Correlation coefficient	Method	Training set		Test Set		
				$R^2$	$R^2$	$RMSE$	$MAE$	$RPD$
TUB	V3	0.89	Linear	$7.36 \times 10^{-1}$	0.69	3.16	2.28	1.79
			Second-order	0.74	0.78	2.69	1.93	2.11
			Cubic	0.74	0.79	2.59	1.83	2.19
TN	V3	-0.66	Linear	$5.52 \times 10^{-1}$	0.17	0.31	0.24	1.10
			Second-order	$5.52 \times 10^{-1}$	0.16	0.29	0.24	1.09
			Cubic	$5.53 \times 10^{-1}$	0.14	0.29	0.24	1.08
TP	V10	0.42	Linear	0.44	-	0.053	0.04	-
			Second-order	0.51	-	0.23	0.10	-
			Cubic	0.52	0.36	0.02	0.02	1.25

Note: "-" represents the presence of negative values of the spectral index, and thus the second and cubic polynomial models of TP could not be fitted.