# Population processes in the world

### Introduction



## Population power



From the point of view of population power, the most important are countries whose population resources exceed 100 million people.

"(...) the claim that a state can be considered powerful only because of its population is unfounded, the truth is that no country can maintain or achieve the status of a first-rate power unless it is one of the most populous countries in the world."

Morgenthau, 2010 Politics Among Nations: The Struggle for Power and Peace



## Population power



Identify the countries that were population powers in 1960 and 2023.

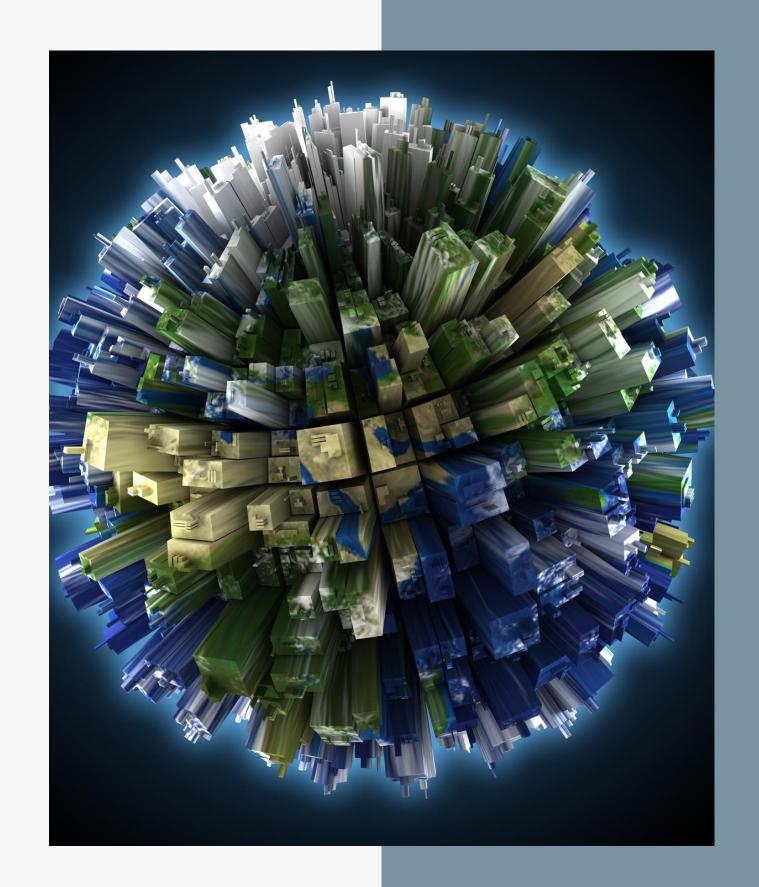


#### Clusters

The world's population has a characteristic tendency to form large clusters. Currently, there are seven main clusters:

- East Asian
- Southeast Asia,
- Indian
- European,
- North American
- Brazilian
- Nigerian.

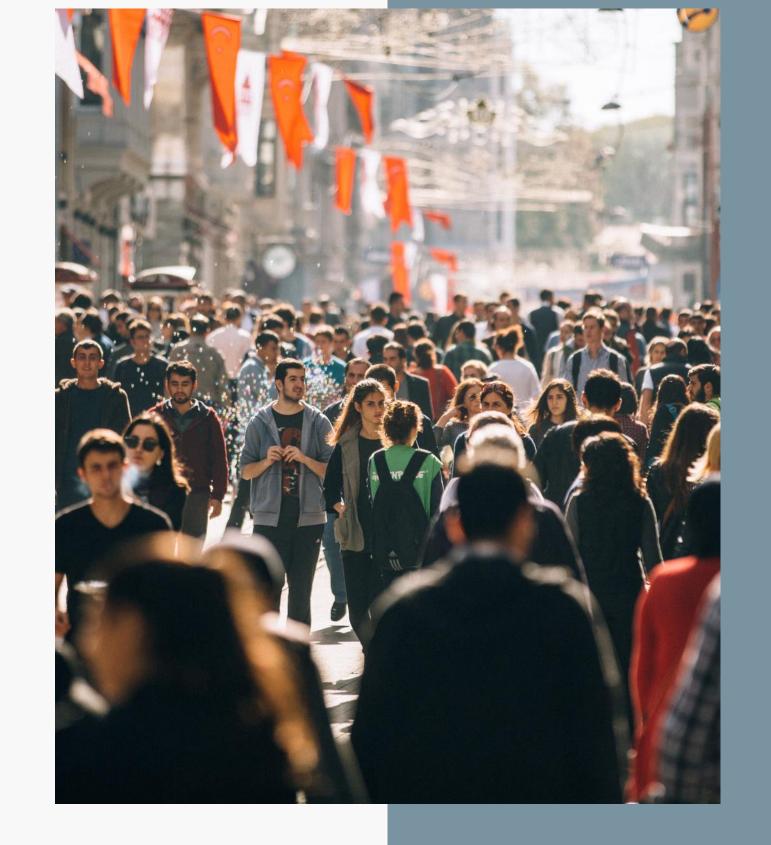




## Population density

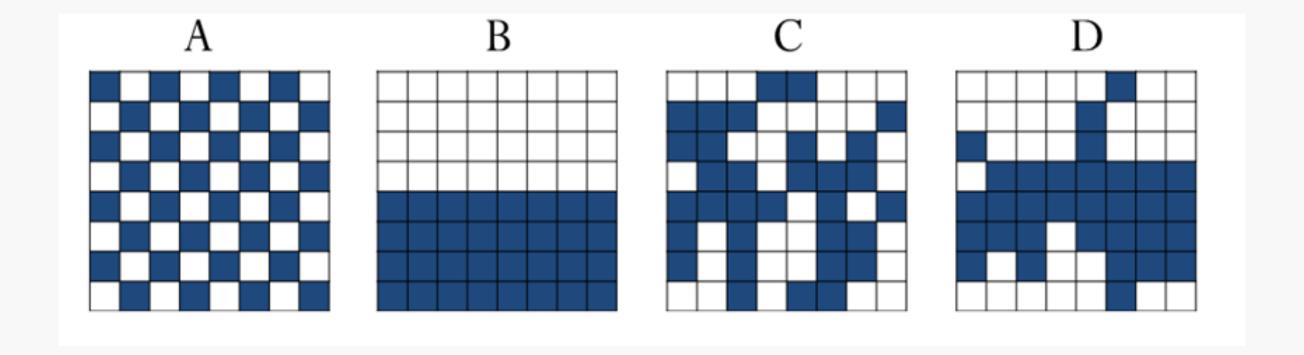
Population density is an indicator of the general relationship between a society and its geographical space.

The world's least populated countries include, in particular, those located in polar, desert and semi-arid, high-mountain and tropical regions, as well as small city-states and island nations, and a number of countries located in close proximity to the world's countries.





# Spatial autocorrelation



# Spatial weight matrix

$W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\$	)	0.5	0	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	)	0	0	0	0.33	0	0.33	0	0	0.33	0	0
	)	0	0	0	0.5	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0
	)	O	0.2	0.2	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0
	)	0	0	0.33	0.33	0	0	0.33	0	0	0	0
	)	0	0.2	0	0.2	0	0	0.2	0	0.2	0.2	0
	)	0	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0	0.2	0	0.2	0
	)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0	0	0.5	0
	)	0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0	0	0	0.5	0
	)	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0	0.2
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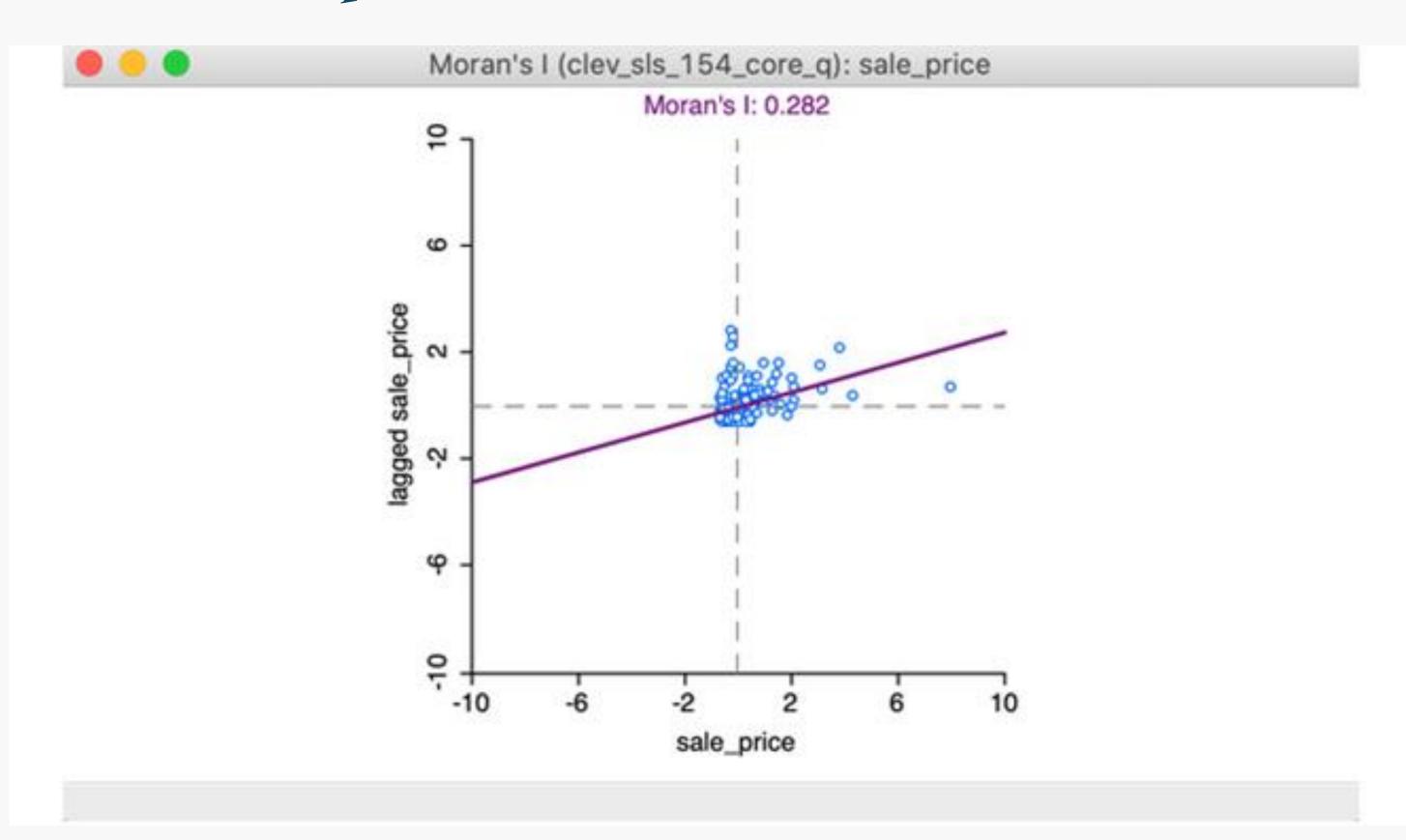
#### Moran I



H0:  $\rho$ =0, attribute being analyzed is randomly distributed among the features in your study area H1:  $\rho$ ≠0, attribute being analyzed is not randomly distributed among the features in your study area

$$I = \frac{n}{S_o} \cdot \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} w_{ij} z_i z_j}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} z_i^2}$$

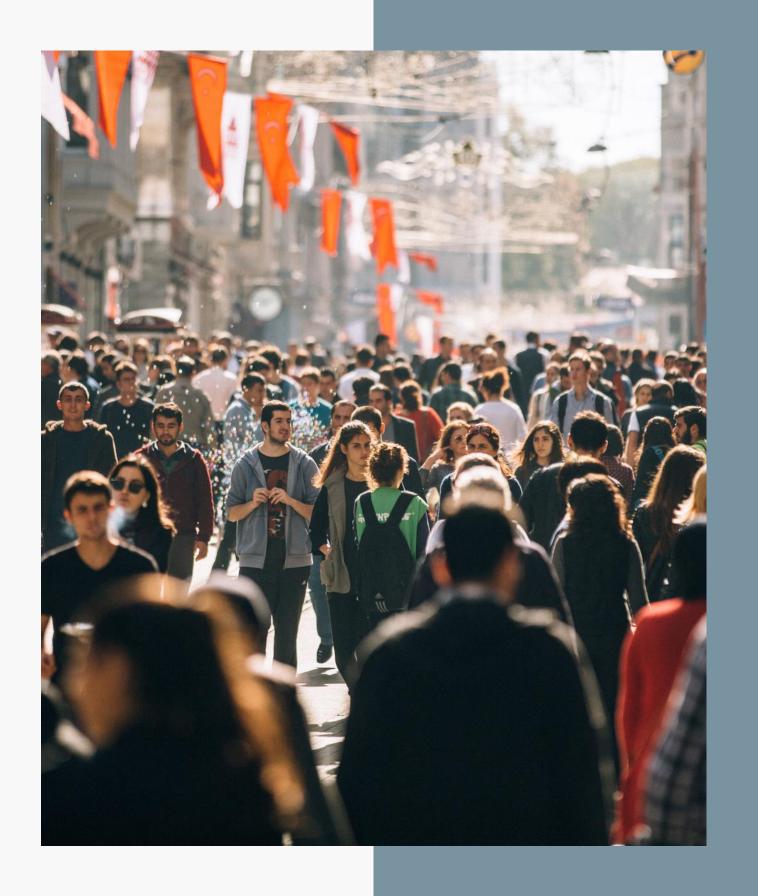
### Moran scatter plot



#### Exercise

Based on the data from the file "World.shp" and for the first-order adjacency matrix (queen type), check if there is spatial autocorrelation for the given variables: population in 2019, population density and degree of urbanization.

In which quadrant of the Moran plot are Poland, Spain and France located?





# Thank you!