



Wind power:

Exploratory space-time analysis

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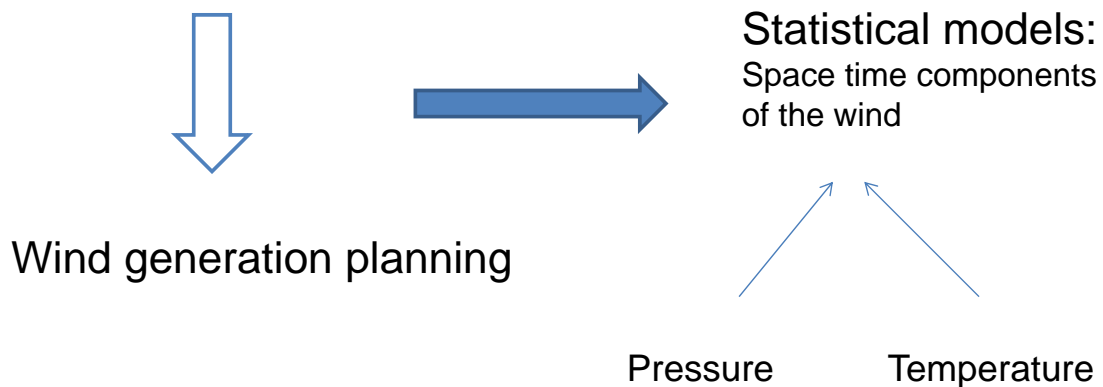
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Motivation

- Knowing the **speed** and **wind direction** and its evolution is very important in **wind generation planning**
- **Statistical models** suitable for **generation planning** take into account the **space time components** of the **wind**,
- These **components** are **highly related** to each other and to other **meteorological variables**

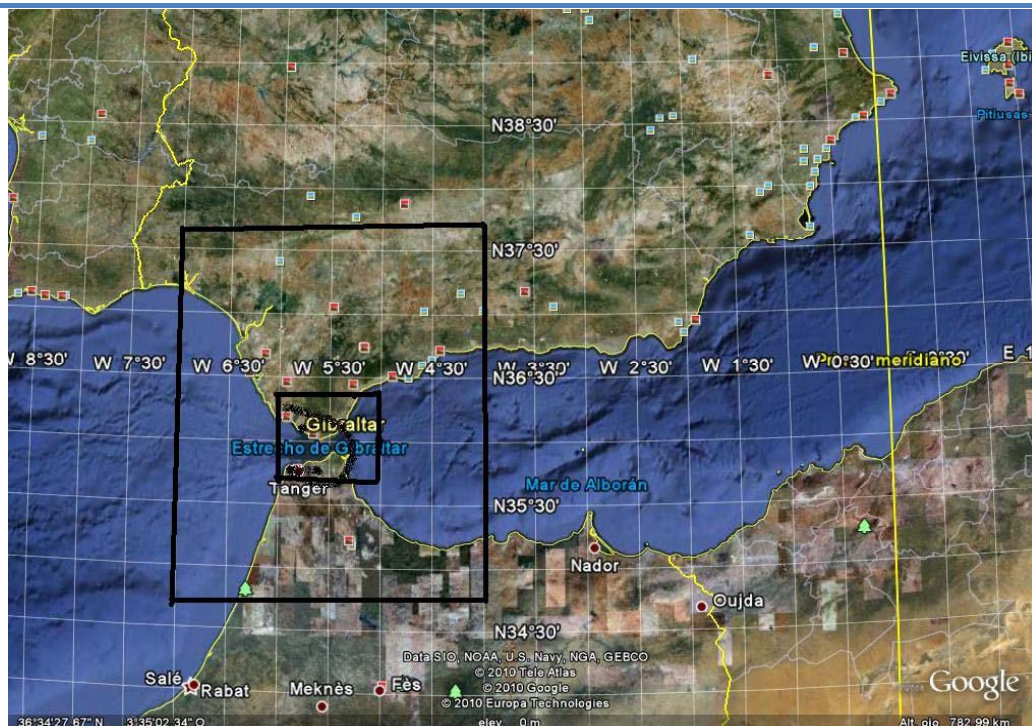
Evolution of speed and wind direction



Objectives

- Visualize the **spatiotemporal relationships** between the variables involved in the problem using the **functions we have programmed in R** as well as **other functions already implemented in R libraries**
- **Descriptive techniques:**
 - graphical representations of **speed** and **wind direction**
 - **correlation** between different space-time variable
 - **autocorrelation functions** implemented in several space and time lags
 - **EOF**: empirical orthogonal functions

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Data description:

Data from **Hirlam model**

Period	01/01/2009 to 31/12/2009
Frequency	3 hours
Missing data	01/06/2009 and 02/06/2009
Temporal reference system	UTC(~ GMT)
Modeling	Daily Analysis at 00:00 and forecasting at 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, and 21 hours
Coordinates	LON = W4°30' : W6°30' LAT = N35°03' : N36°05'

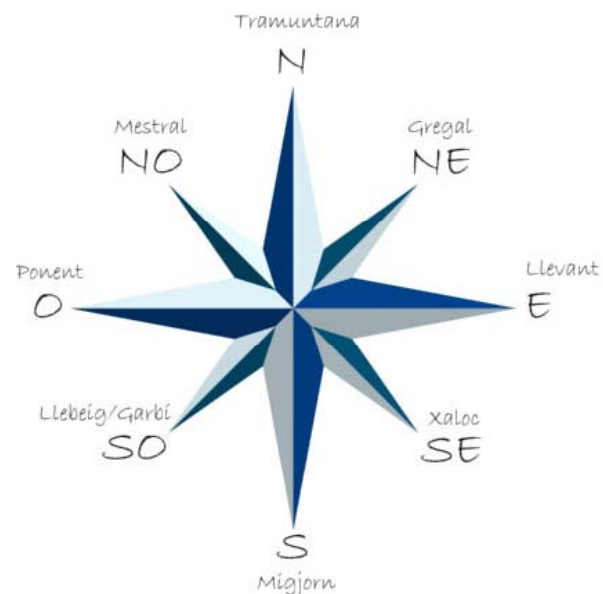
Data description:

North Component (315°-45°)

East Component (45°-135°)

South Component (135°-225°)

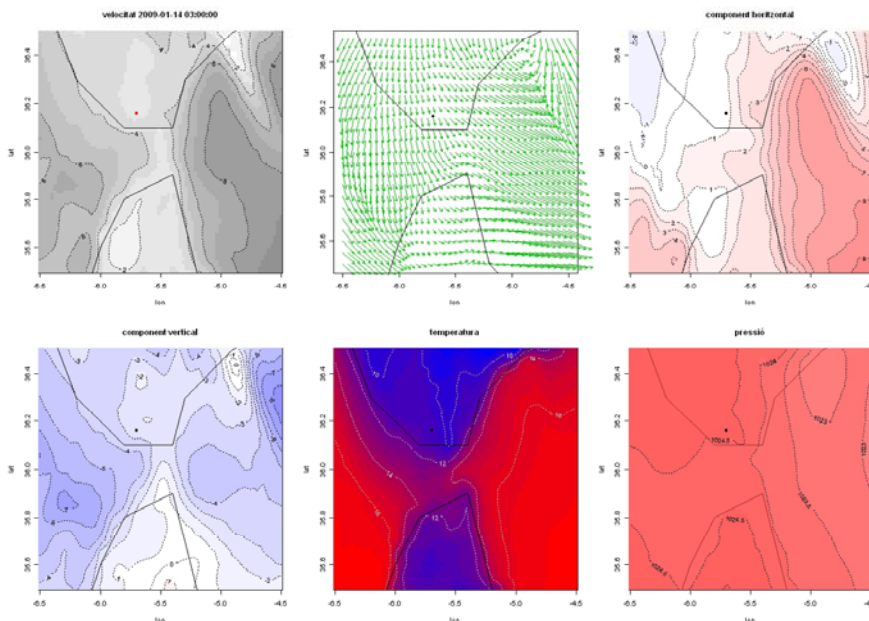
West Component (225°-315°)



<http://www.amarre.com/html/meteorologia/rosa/index.php>

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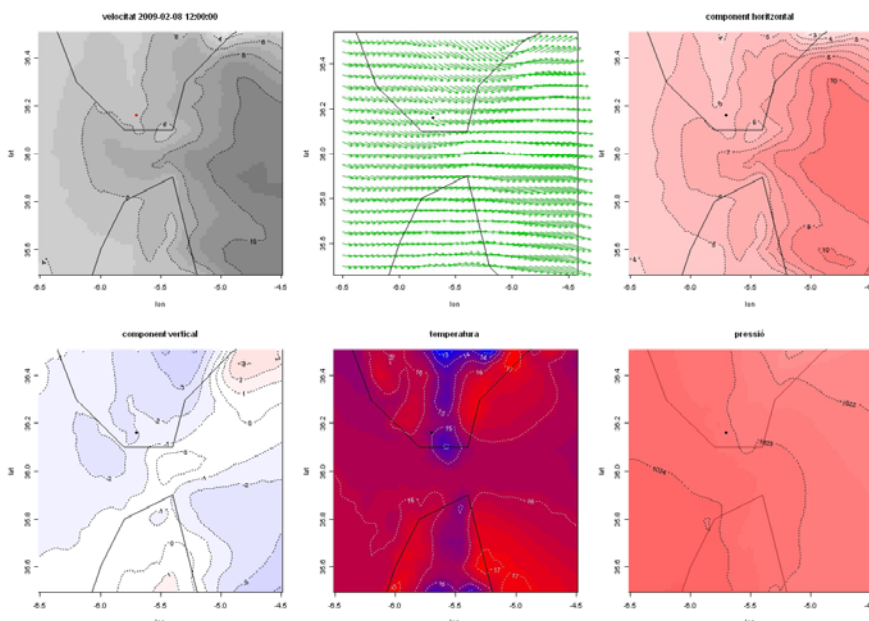
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Wind speed, Temperature and Pressure 3.00h 2009/01/14

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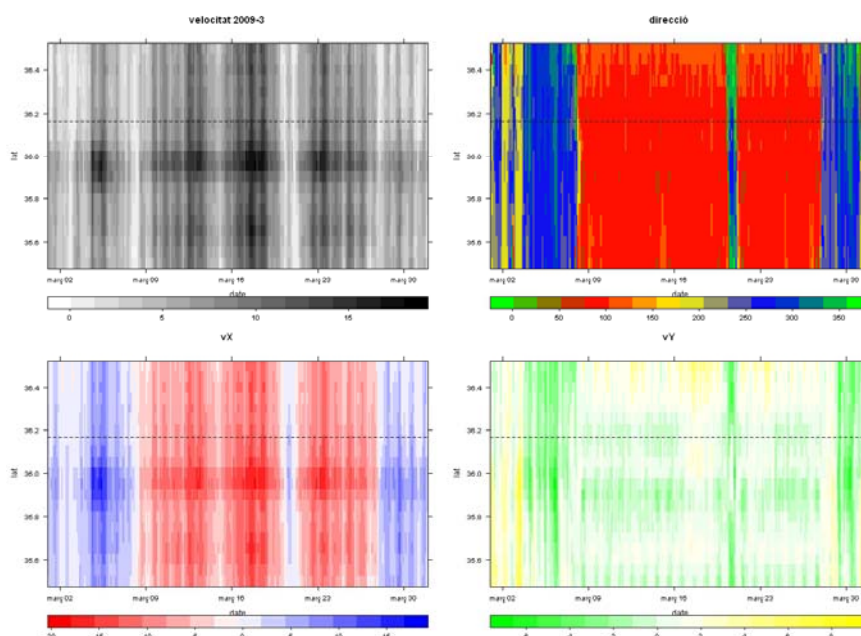
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Marginal plots: Space (1-D)/Time Plots¹

- Method for illustrating the **wave propagation** of climate variables. For example, **wind**, **temperature**, ...
- **Bidimensional plot** : x-axis contains time; y-axis represents latitude or longitude
- They help to find **patterns**, **anomalies**, ...
- **Visual evidence** of climate variable behavior

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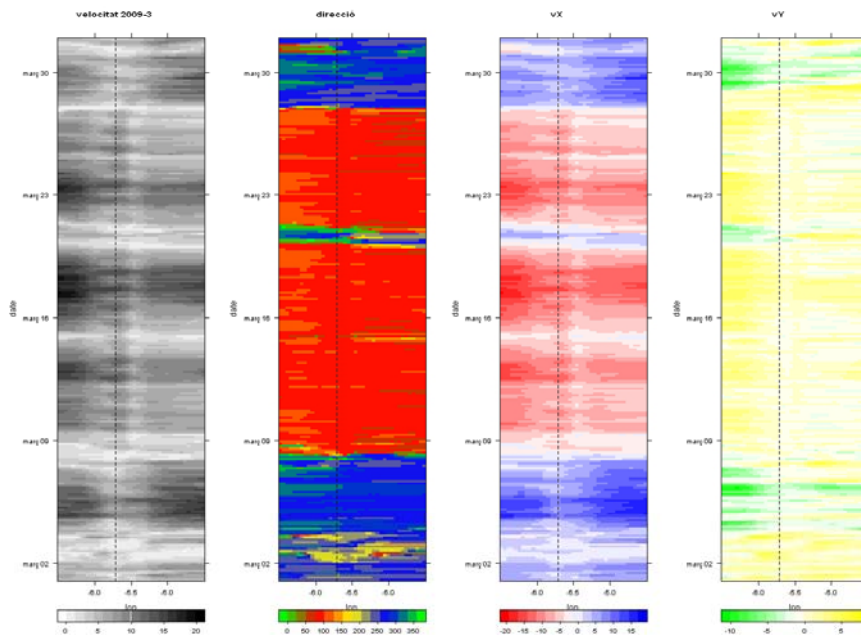
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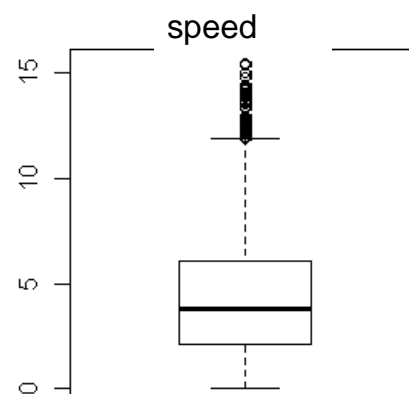
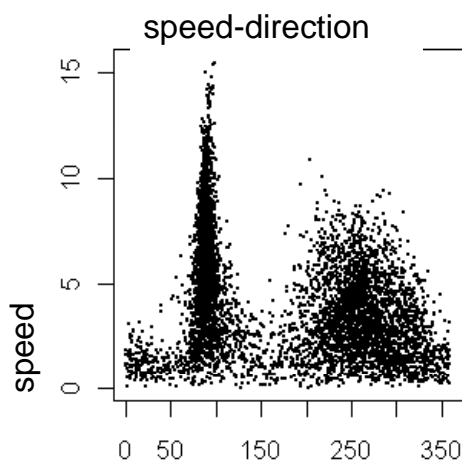
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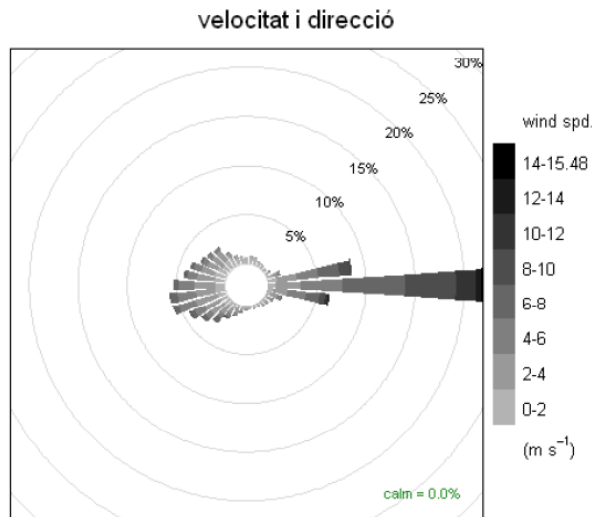


Wind (yearly)

Highest wind speeds when the **wind direction** ranges around **100° C**: **East wind** (Levante)

Speed and direction

R package: WindRose



The same conclusion as in the previous slide

Empirical Correlation Function¹

- Procedure for **detecting spatio-temporal correlations** between of climate variables as for example **wind**
- It is convenient to **present graphically** these matrices
- The space-time observations are

$$Z_t = (Z(s_1, t), \dots, Z(s_m, t))' \quad \text{Where } \mathbf{s} \text{ is for space and } \mathbf{t} \text{ for time}$$

- The empirical lag- τ **spatial covariance matrix** is

$$\hat{C}_Z^{(\tau)} = \frac{1}{T-\tau} \sum_{t=\tau+1}^T (Z_t - \hat{\mu}_Z)(Z_{t-\tau} - \hat{\mu}_Z)', \quad \tau = 0, 1, \dots, T-1$$

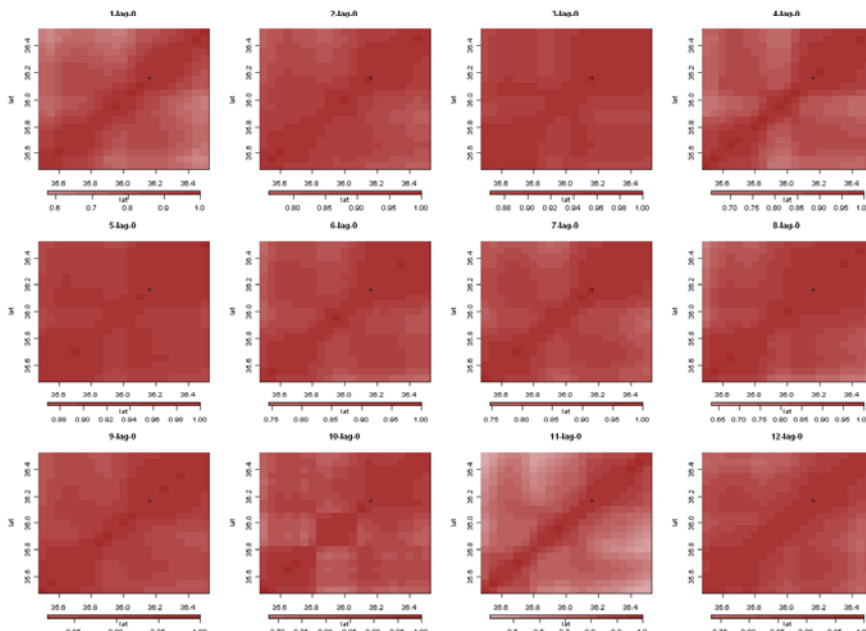
Where the empirical **spatial mean** is $\hat{\mu}_Z = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T Z_t$

- The empirical lag- τ **spatial correlation matrix** is

$$\hat{R}_Z^{(\tau)} = \hat{D}_Z^{-1/2} \hat{C}_Z^{(\tau)} \hat{D}_Z^{-1/2} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{D}_Z = \text{diag}(\hat{C}_Z^{(0)})$$

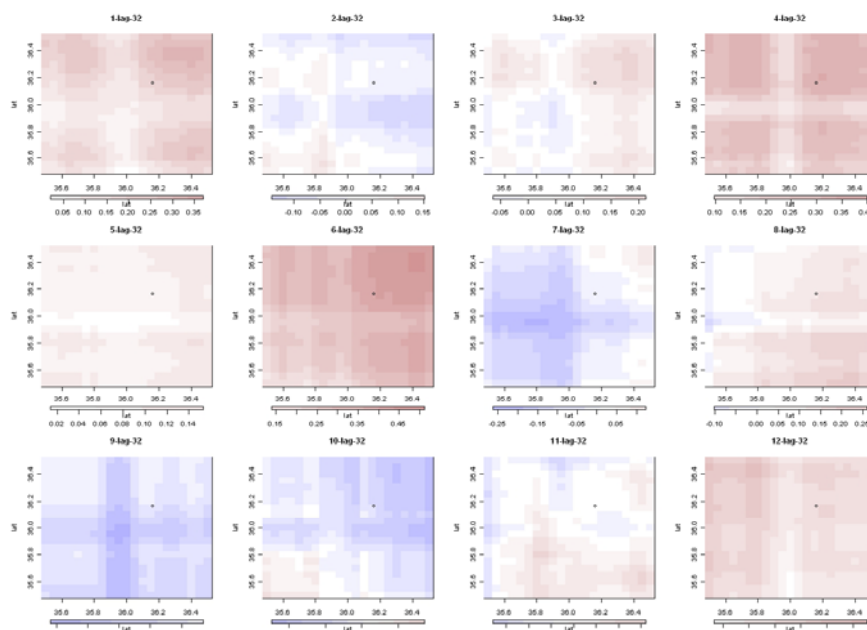
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R our: Own implementation



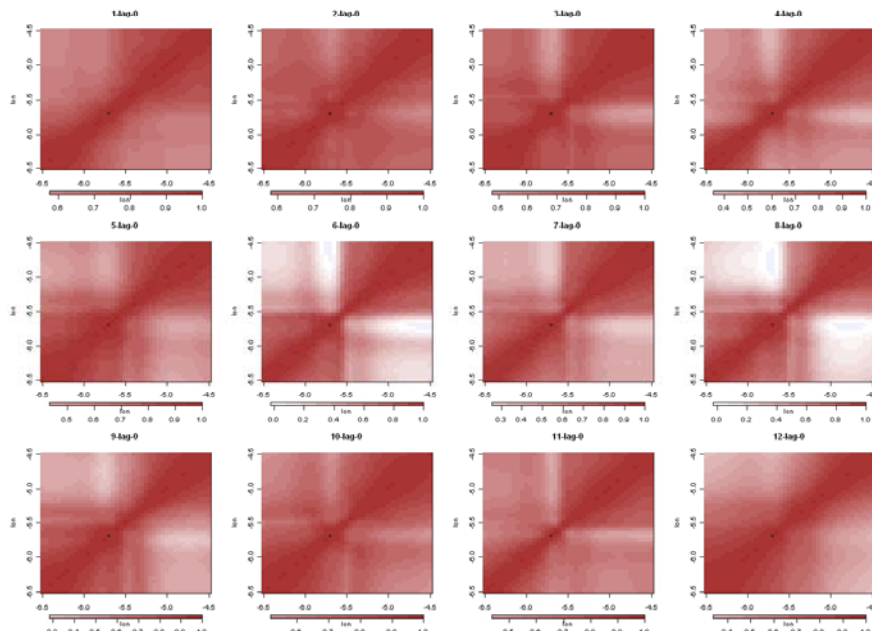
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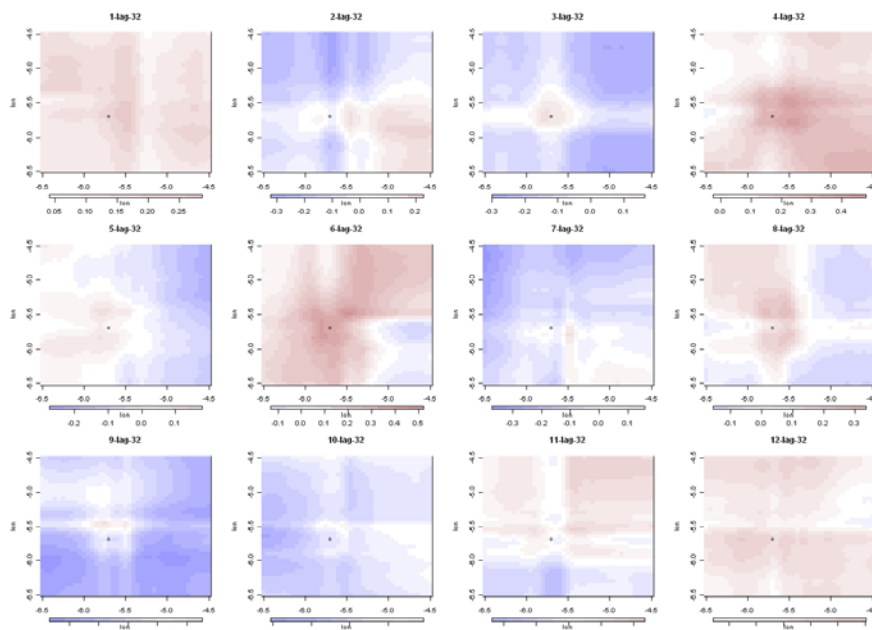
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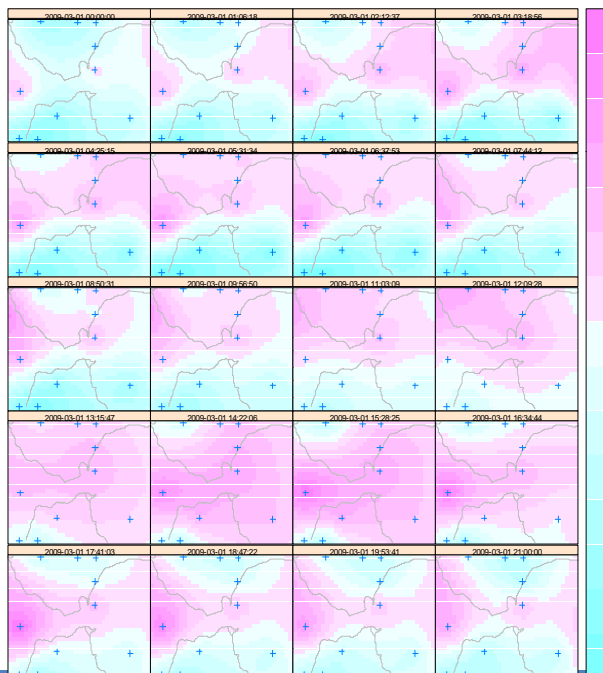
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Spatio-temporal Kriging



R packages: `sp`, `mapdata`, `maps`, `mapproj`, `rgdal`, `xts`, `gstat`, `spacetime`

- Procedure for **space-time interpolation** from a sample (x in the plot)
- Variable: **wind speed**
- **Date**: 2009/03/01.
- **Hours**: 20 hours, starting at 0:00 and finishing at 21:00

EOF: Empirical Orthogonal Function

- **EOF** is the “geophysicist’s terminology for the **eigenvectors** in the classical eigenvalue/eigenvector decomposition of a **covariance matrix**”^{1,2}
- Reduce the **dimensionality** (space or time component) in a large **spatio-temporal data set**.
- EOF **identifies structures** in the **space dimension**³
- Useful to **forecast space-time superficies** as for example **wind** or **sea surface temperatures**

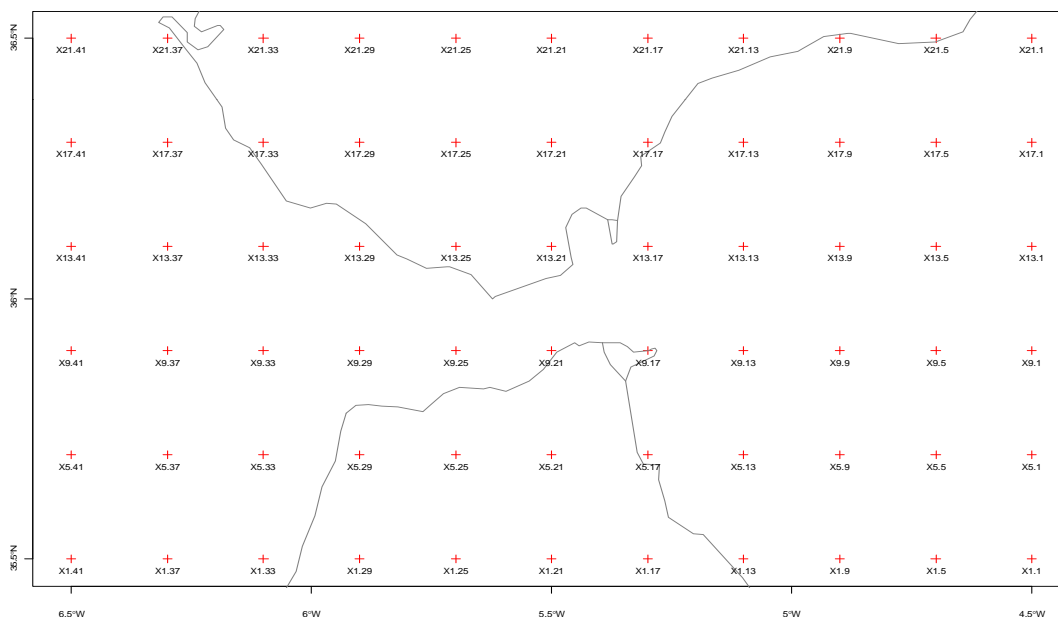
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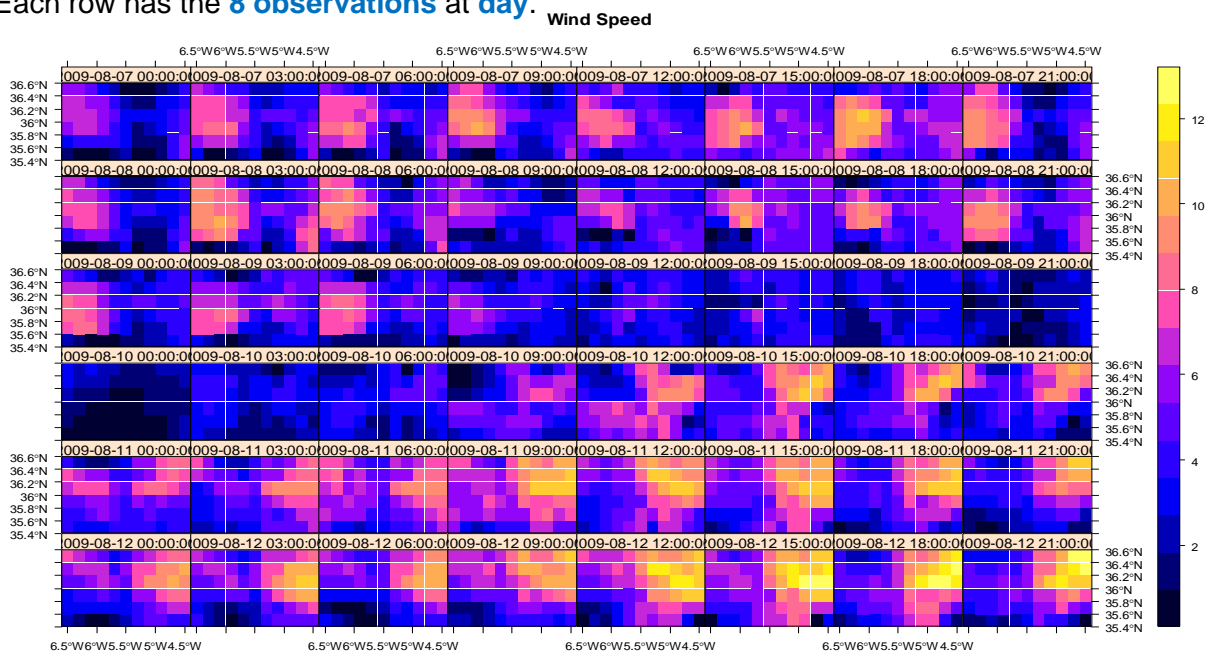
EOF applied to wind speed

66 time series (one in each point), observations every 3 hours for 2 years

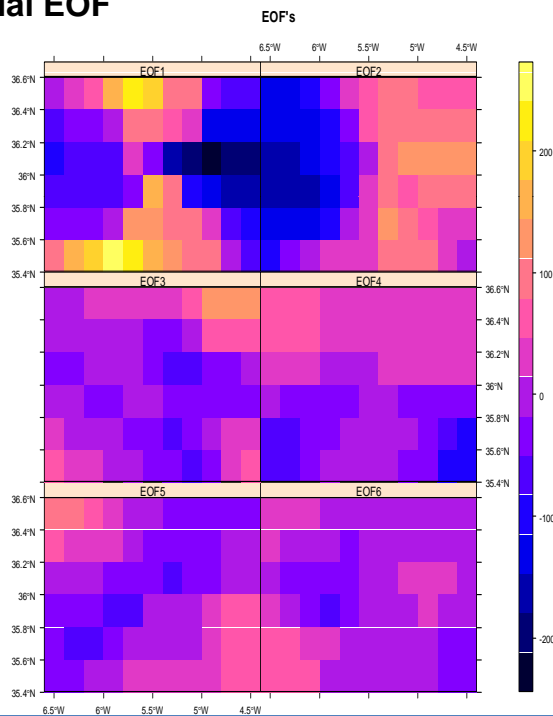


This plot shows the wind speed at 66 points during 6 days (from Aug/07/2009 to Aug/12/2009).

Each row has the 8 observations at day.

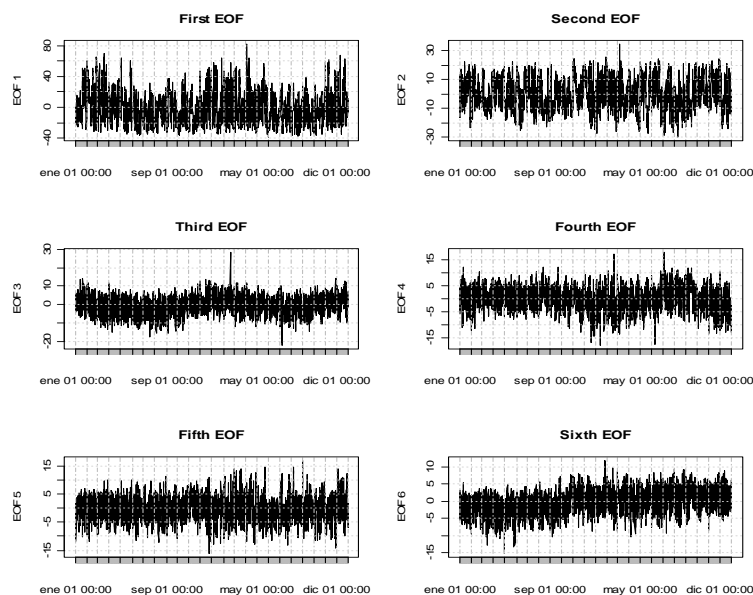


Spatial EOF



- The first six EOF
- The first component clearly separates land / sea and the second west / east

Temporal EOF



Conclusions

- **The relationships detected** by the exploratory space time analysis are very useful in the statistical models, obtaining more accurate models
- The **forecast** of future **wind values** will be **more accurate**.
- The **accuracy** achieved in predicting **wind speed** and **direction** will have a **positive impact** on the **quality** of **wind generation forecasts**.
- The presented **techniques** will be useful for **diagnosing the quality of fit** for the estimated models.

Q & A

