# MODELLING SPATIOTEMPORAL VARIABILITY OF WATER TABLE DEPTHS MONITORING DATA



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### INTRODUCTION

GROUNDWATER MONITORING DATA ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTING WHEN ANALYSING AQUIFER CHARACTERISTICS BECAUSE CAN REVEAL NOT ONLY TEMPORAL PATTERNS BUT ALSO SPATIAL DISTRIBUTIONS AND VARIATION OVER TIME IF COLLECTED IN A GEOSPATIAL NETWORK.

FROM SPATIAL AND TEMPORAL CORRELATIONS, IT IS POSSIBLE TO PREDICT VALUES AT POINTS FROM NEIGHBOURING OBSERVATIONS AND MAKE PREDICTIONS IN BETWEEN OBSERVATION TIMES.

SPATIO-TEMPORAL INTERPOLATION CAN POTENTIALLY PROVIDE MORE ACCURATE PREDICTIONS THAN SPATIAL INTERPOLATION BECAUSE OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT OTHER TIMES CAN BE INCLUDED.

### SPATIO-TEMPORAL GEOSTATISTICS

KYRIAKIDIS & JOURNEL (1999) DEFINE TWO MAJOR CONCEPTUAL VIEWPOINTS FOR MODELING OF SPATIOTEMPORAL DISTRIBUTIONS VIA SPATIAL STATISTICS TOOLS EXTENDED TO INCLUDE THE ADDITIONAL TIME DIMENSION:

A SINGLE SPATIOTEMPORAL RF MODEL  $Z(\mathbf{U}, T)$ , TYPICALLY DECOMPOSED INTO A TREND COMPONENT MODELING SOME "AVERAGE" SMOOTH VARIABILITY OF THE SPATIOTEMPORAL PROCESS  $Z(\mathbf{U}, T)$ , AND A STATIONARY RESIDUAL COMPONENT MODELING HIGHER FREQUENCY FLUCTUATIONS AROUND THAT TREND IN BOTH SPACE AND TIME.

MULTIPLE VECTORS OF RFS OR VECTORS OF TS. TWO MODEL SUBCLASSES CAN THEN BE DEFINED. MODELS IN THE FIRST SUBCLASS TREAT THE SPATIOTEMPORAL RF  $Z(\mathbf{U}, T)$  AS A COLLECTION OF A FINITE NUMBER T OF TEMPORALLY CORRELATED SPACE RFS  $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{U})$ , WHILE MODELS IN THE SECOND SUBCLASS VIEW THE RF  $Z(\mathbf{U}, T)$  AS A COLLECTION OF A FINITE NUMBER N OF SPATIALLY CORRELATED TS  $\mathbf{Z}(T)$ .

# SPATIO-TEMPORAL COVARIANCE MODELS

ESTIMATING AND MODELLING THE CORRELATION OF A SPACE-TIME PROCESS IS FUNDAMENTAL TO GEOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS, SINCE ONLY IF THE CORRELATION MODEL IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE VARIABLE UNDER STUDY CAN THE SUBSEQUENT ESTIMATION AND/OR SIMULATION RESULTS BE RELIED ON (DE IACO, 2010).

IN PRACTICE IT IS CUSTOMARY TO PROPOSE A MODEL AND TEST ITS PERMISSIBILITY USING ONE OF A SET OF BASIC MODELS THAT ARE KNOWN TO BE PERMISSIBLE.

THAT IS A RELATIVELY STRAIGHTFORWARD PRACTICE IN MODELLING SPATIAL (OR TEMPORAL) VARIOGRAMS AS THERE ARE MANY SUCH MODELS IN COMMON USE AND THESE MODELS MAY BE COMBINED LINEARLY TO FORM COMPLEX MODELS.

# SPATIOTEMPORAL COVARIANCE MODELS

- SEPARABLE/LINEAR MODEL (ROUHANI & HALL, 1989)
- PRODUCT MODEL (DE CESARE ET AL., 2001)
- PRODUCT-SUM MODEL (DE IACO ET AL., 2001)
- METRIC MODEL (DIMITRAKOPOULOS & LUO, 1994; SOARES & PEREIRA; 2007).
- CRESSIE-HUANG MODEL (CRESSIE & HUANG, 1999),
- GNEITING MODELS (GNEITING, 2002),
- INTEGRATED PRODUCT MODEL AND MIXTURE MODELS (DE IACO ET AL., 2002A)
- INTEGRATED PRODUCT-SUM MODEL (DE IACO ET AL., 2002B)
- NON-SEPARABLE SPATIOTEMPORAL COVARIANCE MODELS (KOLOVOS ET AL., 2004; STEIN, 2005; PORCU ET AL., 2008; RODRIGUES & DIGGLE, 2010).

## COVARIANCE MODELS – NOTION OF SEPARABILITY

A *SEPARABLE* SPACE-TIME COVARIANCE FUNCTION CONSIDERS THE SPATIOTEMPORAL PROCESS AS THE JOINT PROCESS OF TWO INDEPENDENT PROCESSES, ONE THAT OCCURS IN SPACE AND ANOTHER THAT OCCURS IN TIME, RESULTING IN A PURELY SPATIAL COMPONENT AND A PURELY TEMPORAL COMPONENT.

HOWEVER, WE DO NOT OBSERVE REALISATIONS OF THE TWO SEPARATE PROCESSES, ONLY THE JOINT PROCESS.

SEPARABILITY IS RESTRICTIVE AND OFTEN REQUIRES UNREALISTIC ASSUMPTIONS.



### COVARIANCE MODELS

### IN THIS STUDY WE TESTED THREE ST COVARIANCE MODELS:

SEPARABLE

**PRODUCT-SUM** 

METRIC



### SEPARABLE

$$C_{st}(h_s, h_t) = C_s(h_s) + C_t(h_t)$$

#### $C_s(h_s)$ SPATIAL COVARIANCE AND $C_t(h_t)$ TEMPORAL COVARIANCE SIMPLE ADDED

FOR THIS MODEL, COVARIANCE MATRICES OF CERTAIN CONFIGURATIONS OF SPATIOTEMPORAL DATA ARE SINGULAR (MYERS & JOURNEL, 1990; ROUHANI & MYERS, 1990).

THIS MEANS THIS COVARIANCE FUNCTION IS ONLY POSITIVE SEMI-DEFINITE AND IS UNSATISFACTORY FOR OPTIMAL PREDICTION.



Example of separable model, semivariograms in (omnidirectional) spatial and temporal directions (left) and spatiotemporal semivariogram (right). SOURCE: Denham (2012)



### **PRODUCT-SUM**

 $C_{st}(h_s; h_t) = k_1 C_s(h_s) C_t(h_t) + k_2 C_s(h_s) + k_3 C_3(h_t)$ 

### $\gamma_{st}(h_s; h_t) = [k_2 + k_1 C_t(0)] \gamma_s(h_s) + [k_3 + k_1 C_s(0)] \gamma_t(h_t) - k_1 \gamma_s(h_s) \gamma_t(h_t)$

 $C_s$  AND  $C_t$  ARE COVARIANCE FUNCTIONS AND  $\gamma_s$  AND  $\gamma_t$  ARE THE CORRESPONDENT VARIOGRAM FUNCTIONS.

 $C_{st}(0)$  IS THE  $\gamma_{st}$  SILL, BEING  $C_s(0)$  AND  $C_t(0)$  THE  $\gamma_s$  AND  $\gamma_t$  SILLS.

BY DEFINITION,  $\gamma_{st}(0,0) = \gamma_s(0) = \gamma_t = 0$ .



Example of product-sum model, marginal (omnidirectional) spatial and temporal semivariograms (left) and spatiotemporal semivariogram (right). SOURCE: Denham (2012)



 $C_{st}(h_s, h_t) = C(a^2|h_s|^2 + b^2h_t^2)$ 

COEFFICIENTS  $A; B \in R$ .

IN THE EQUATION, THE SAME MODEL IS ASSUMED FOR BOTH SPATIAL AND TEMPORAL COVARIANCE, WITH POSSIBLE CHANGES IN THE RANGE.

THIS MODEL CAN BE REALISED AS A SPATIAL COVARIANCE MODEL WITH AN EXTRA DIMENSION (AND ANISOTROPY RATIO) TO CONSIDER THE TEMPORAL DIMENSION.



Example of metric model, semivariograms in (omnidirectional) spatial and temporal directions (left) and spatiotemporal semivariogram (right). SOURCE: Denham (2012)



### STUDY AREA AND DATA SET

#### SANTA BARBARA ECOLOGICAL STATION (EECSB)

MONITORING WATER TABLE DEPTHS FROM SEPTEMBER 2014 TO AUGUST 2016

BAURU AQUIFER SYSTEM

65 WELLS

GSTAT ROUTINES IN R (PEBESMA & GRÄLER, 2016; GRÄLER ET AL., 2016)



### BAURU AQUIFER SYSTEM (BAS)



COMPARISON AMONG THE NUMBER OF CITIES THAT USE SUPERFICIAL AND UNDERGROUND WATER FOR PUBLIC PROVISIONING IN THE SÃO PAULO STATE AND AMONG THE CITIES THAT USE, PARTIAL OR INTEGRALLY, UNDERGROUND WATER OF THE BAURU AQUIFER SYSTEM (CETESB, 1997).

















ST VARIABILITY

NETWORK

**PRODUCT-SUM** 

FAST RESPONSE



#### **GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING**

MONITORING STRATEGIES

MANAGED AQUIFER RECHARGE

**REMEDIATION PLANS** 



### FINAL REMARKS – NEXT STEPS

**INCREASE TS LENGTH** 

INCREASE OBSERVATION POINTS VIA GEOSTATISTICAL OPTIMIZATION

**TEST OTHER MODELS** 

**TEST SEPARABILITY** 

ST INTERPOLATION OF WATER TABLE DEPTHS

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