

README for Geese Migration Analysis Workflow

This guide explains how to process geese migration data using R and Python scripts across multiple folders. Users will work with the `3_Autumn`, `4_Spring`, and `5_Clustering` folders to analyse and interpret the results. Preprocessing and annotation steps are already completed, and the final datasets are available for download.

Folder Structure Overview

1_Preprocessing (preprocessing done by the author):

Removed GPS fixes with insufficient satellite data, filtered low-quality tracks, and aggregated datasets.

Excluded dependent individuals and retained only active migratory data.

2_Annotation (annotation done by the author):

Annotated data with environmental variables (e.g., wind, elevation, geomagnetic data).

Final annotated datasets are available for use.

3_Autumn and 4_Spring:

Process seasonal and diurnal migratory datasets for Autumn and Spring.

5_Clustering:

Python scripts for clustering analysis:

`1_Validation_Indices.py`: Calculates clustering validation indices (Silhouette and Calinski-Harabasz).

`2_AHC_Clustering.py`: Performs Agglomerative Hierarchical Clustering and generates dendrograms and cluster IDs.

Workflow Guide

Step 1: Starting with 3_Autumn and 4_Spring

1. Download the final datasets.
2. Navigate to the `3_Autumn` and `4_Spring` folders.
3. Run the R scripts **sequentially**, starting with:

- 1_Annotated_Track_Process.R → Preprocess annotated GPS data.
 - 2_Day_Night_Classification.R → Classify data points as day or night.
 - 3_Wind_Parameters.R → Calculate wind support and crosswind values.
 - 4_Magnetic_Parameters.R → Calculate magnetic headings and apparent inclination.
 - 5_Clustering_Features.R → Calculate features for clustering analysis.
 - 6_Deviations.R → Compute angular deviations.
 - 7_Before_Clustering.R → Filter and scale data for clustering analysis.
4. Outputs from **7_Before_Clustering.R**:
- **3_Autumn**:
 - Autumn_Day_CF.csv
 - Autumn_Night_CF.csv
 - **4_Spring**:
 - Spring_Day_CF.csv
 - Spring_Night_CF.csv

Copy these files to the 5_Clustering folder for clustering analysis.

Step 2: Clustering in 5_Clustering

1. Navigate to the 5_Clustering folder.
2. Run the Python scripts in order:
 - **1_Validation_Indices.py**:
 - Calculates Silhouette and Calinski-Harabasz validation indices for clustering quality.
 - Command: `python 1_Validation_Indices.py`
 - Output validation plots for each dataset.
 - **2_AHC_Clustering.py**:
 - Performs clustering using Agglomerative Hierarchical Clustering (AHC).
 - Generates cluster IDs and dendrograms.
 - Command: `python 2_AHC_Clustering.py`
 - Outputs:
 - Clustered CSV files:
 - Autumn_Day_with_ClusterID.csv
 - Autumn_Night_with_ClusterID.csv
 - Spring_Day_with_ClusterID.csv
 - Spring_Night_with_ClusterID.csv
 - Dendrogram visualizations:
 - Dendrogram_Autumn_Day.png
 - Dendrogram_Autumn_Night.png
 - Dendrogram_Spring_Day.png
 - Dendrogram_Spring_Night.png
3. Move the clustering results back to their respective seasonal folders:
 - **Autumn** (3_Autumn/8_After_Clustering):
 - Autumn_Day_with_ClusterID.csv

- Autumn_Night_with_ClusterID.csv
 - **Spring** (4_Spring/8_After_Clustering):
 - Spring_Day_with_ClusterID.csv
 - Spring_Night_with_ClusterID.csv
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Step 3: Post-Clustering Analysis

1. Return to the 3_Autumn and 4_Spring folders.
 2. Continue running scripts sequentially from 8_After_Clustering.R onwards:
 - 8_After_Clustering.R: Join clustering IDs with other variables.
 - 9_Density_Plots.R: Visualize key variables across clusters.
 - 10_chi_squared_test.R: Test for independence of variables across clusters.
 - 11_Boxplot_MP_Dev.R: Analyse movement parameters and deviations.
 - 12_Deviation_Analysis.R: Perform statistical analysis of deviations.
 - 13_CircularHistogram.R: Generate circular histograms of headings.
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Key Notes

- **Preprocessed Data:**
 - Preprocessing and annotation are completed; final datasets are available for download.
 - Users start directly from 3_Autumn and 4_Spring.
 - **Clustering Outputs:**
 - Results from the 5_Clustering folder must be copied back to the respective seasonal folders before continuing with interpretation.
 - **Dependencies:**
 - **R:** Ensure required libraries (maptools, dplyr, etc.) are installed.
 - **Python:** Install required packages using:
pip install numpy pandas scipy matplotlib scikit-learn
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