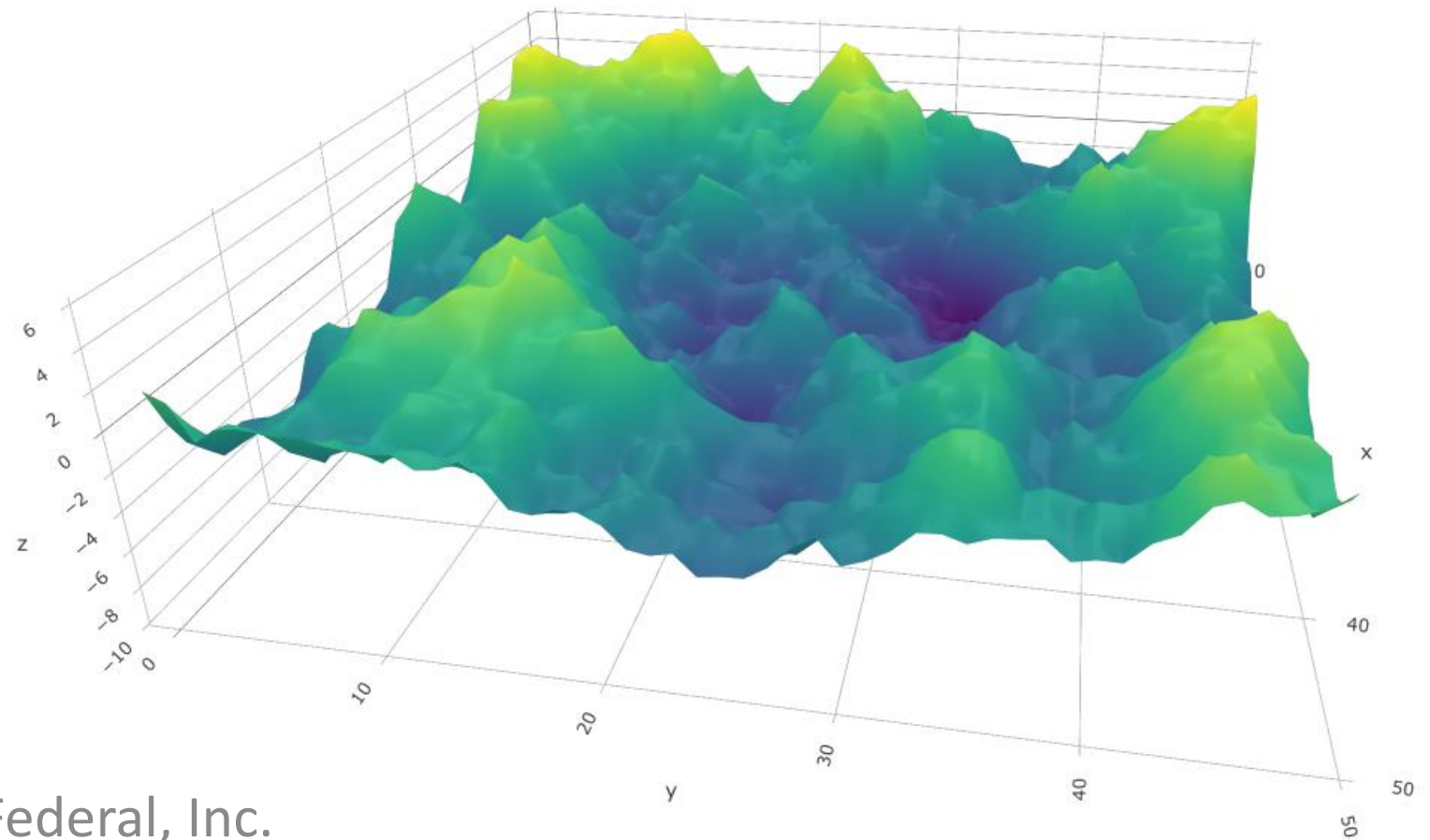


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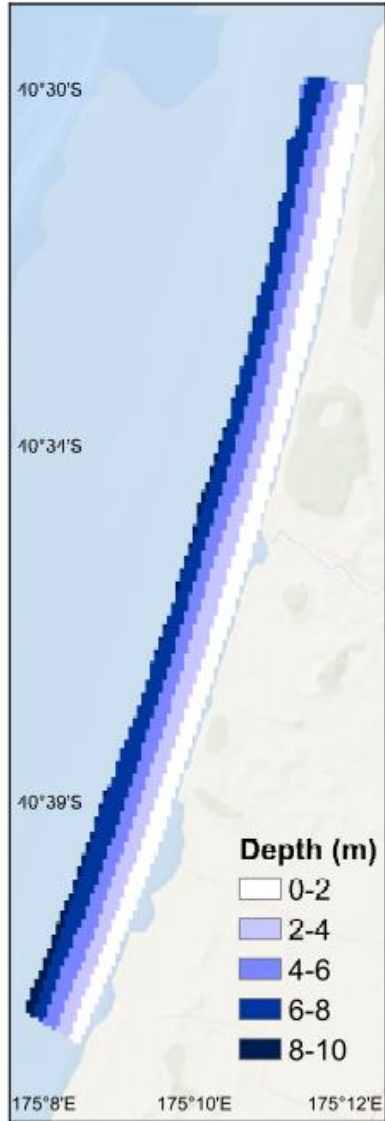
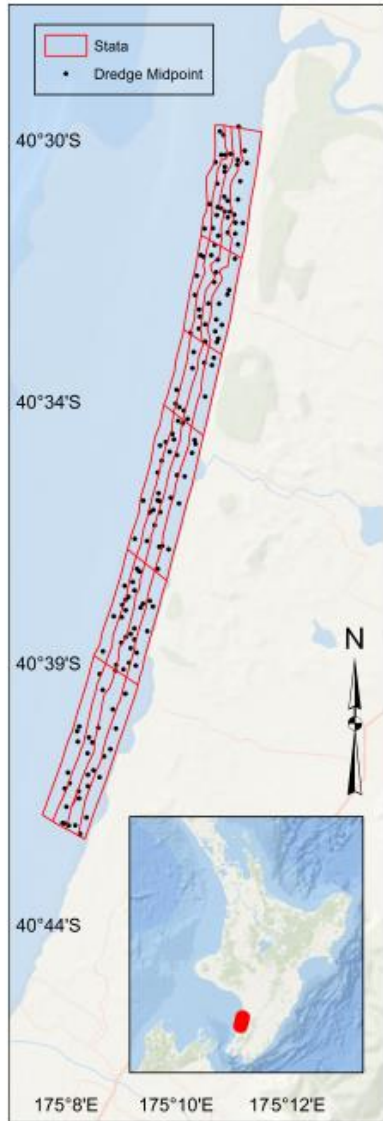
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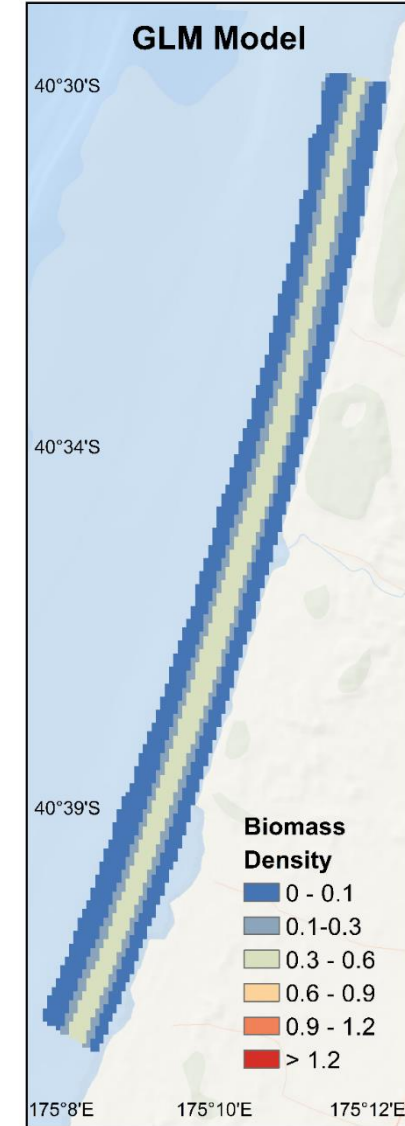
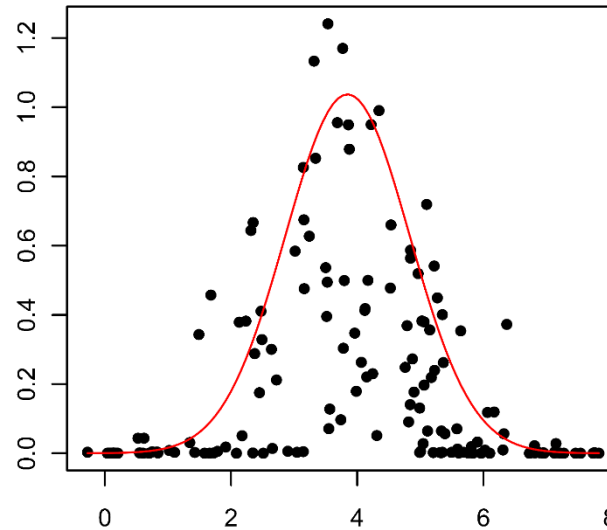
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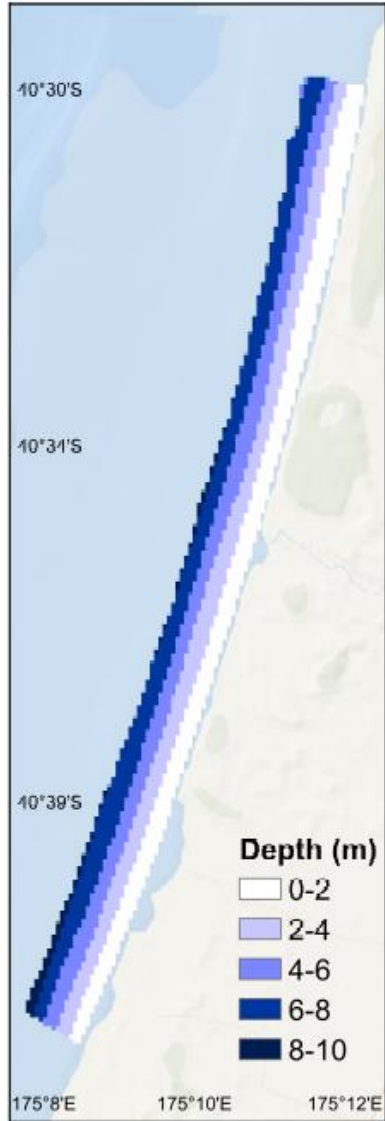
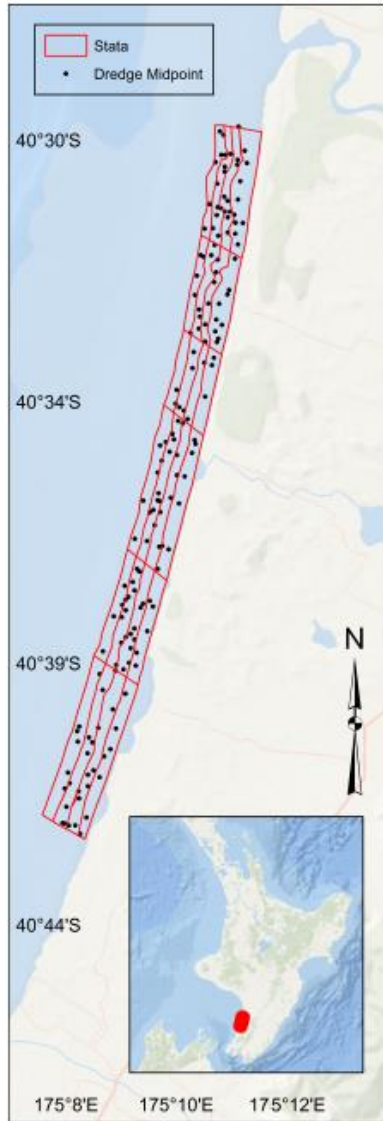
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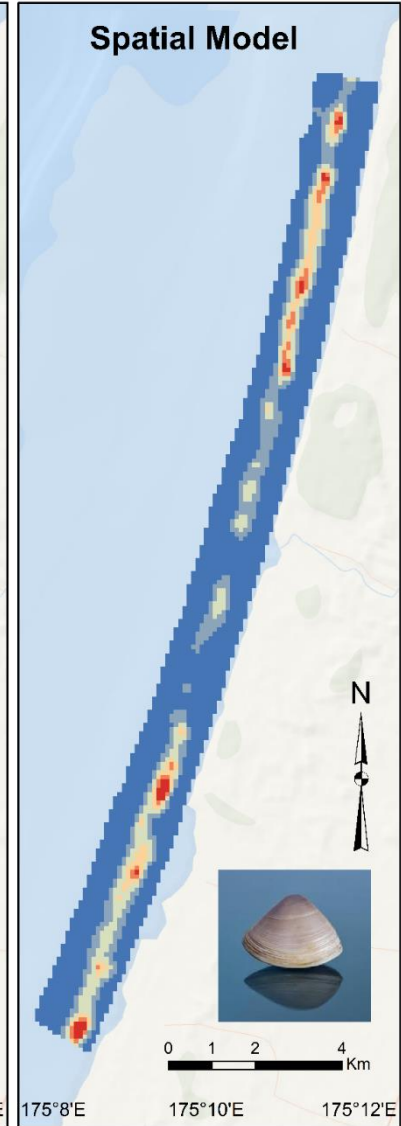
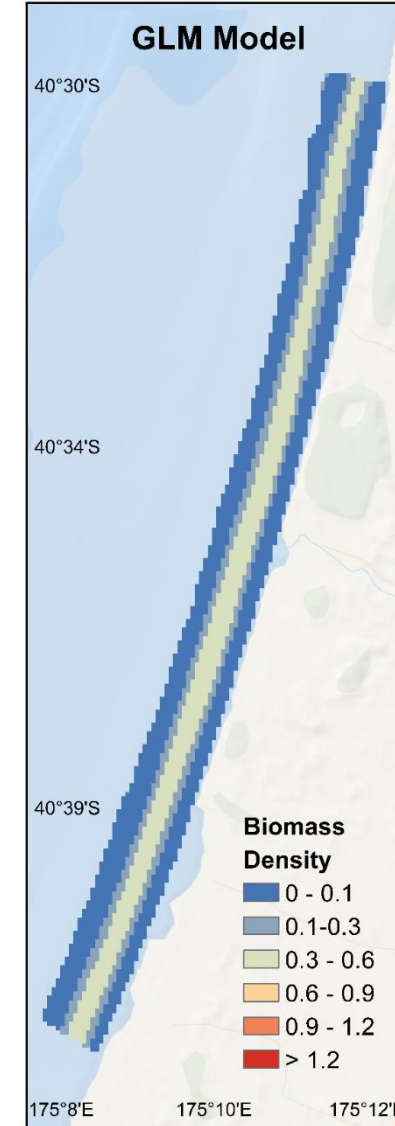
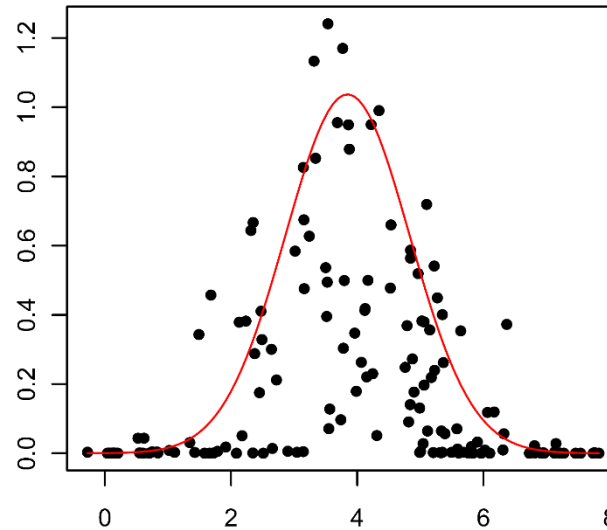
Triangle Shell Surf clam
Manawatu, NZ



Species Distribution Modeling



Triangle Shell Surf clam Manawatu, NZ



Benefits of modeling spatial correlation

- Failure to model spatial correlation violates independence assumptions
 - Narrower confidence intervals
 - Inflated Type I error
- We want to learn about the spatial structure
- More realistic predictions of species distributions

Hierarchical Spatial Model

$$Y \sim f_y(g^{-1}(\mu))$$

$$\mu = \beta_0 + X\beta + \omega$$

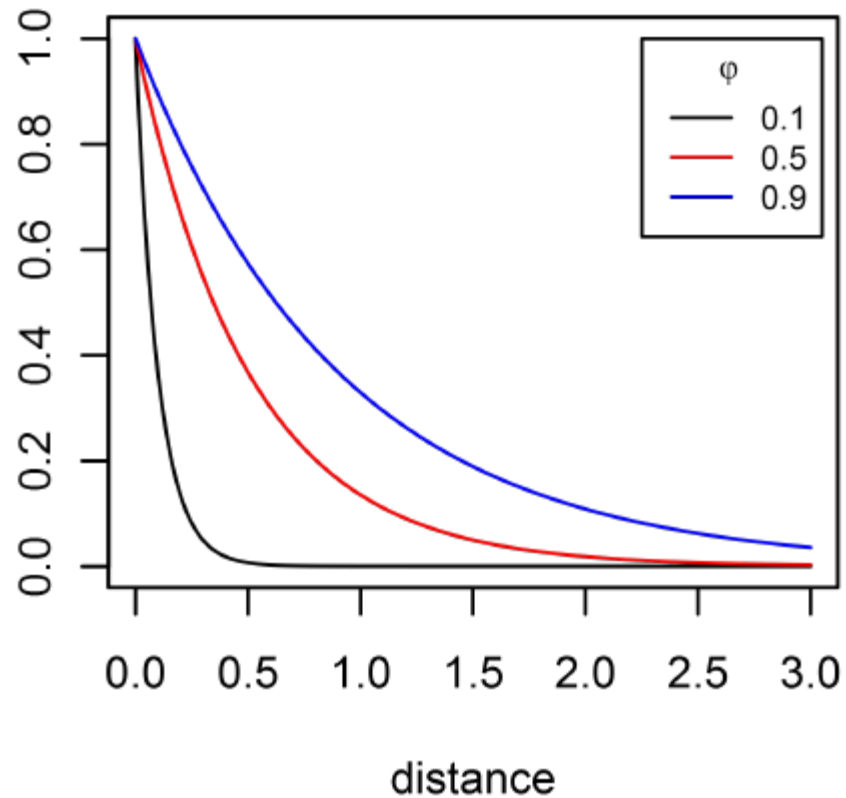
$$\omega \sim MVN(0, \Sigma)$$

$$L(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{|\Sigma|^{-1/2}}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\omega}\right)$$

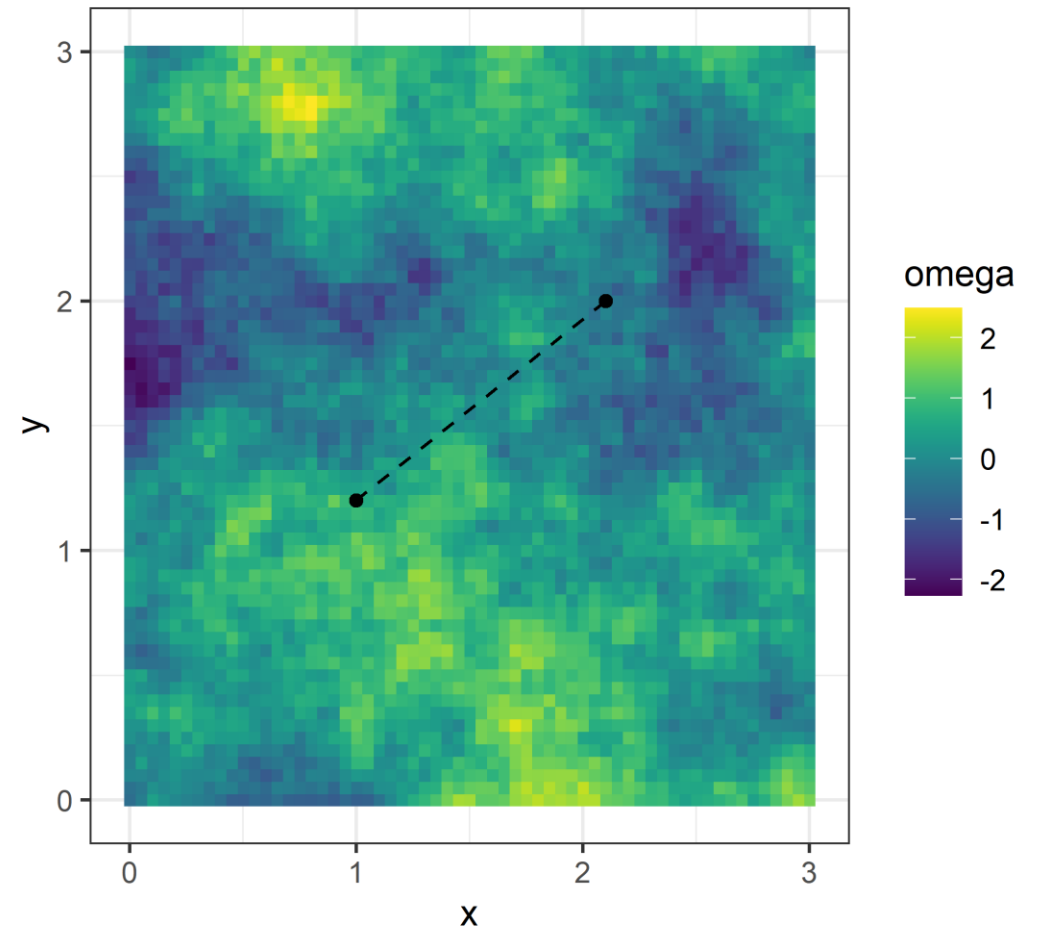
Covariance Matrix, Σ

Exponential Correlation

$$\Sigma_{i,j} = \exp\left(-\frac{d_{ij}}{\phi}\right)$$



ϕ : distance spatial correlation $\approx 10\%$

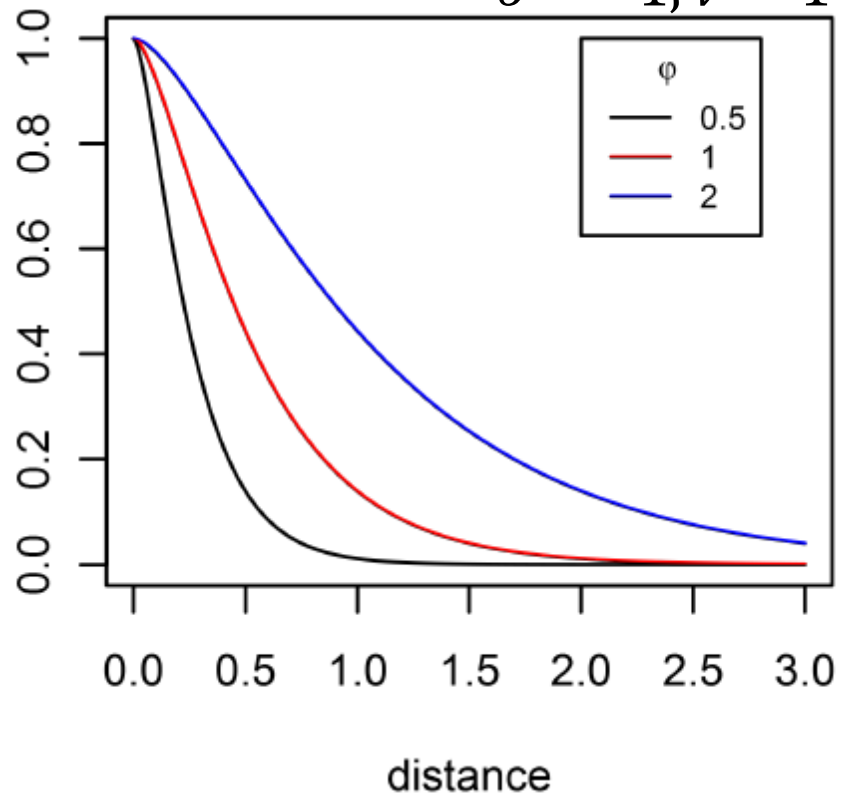


Covariance Matrix, Σ

Matérn Correlation

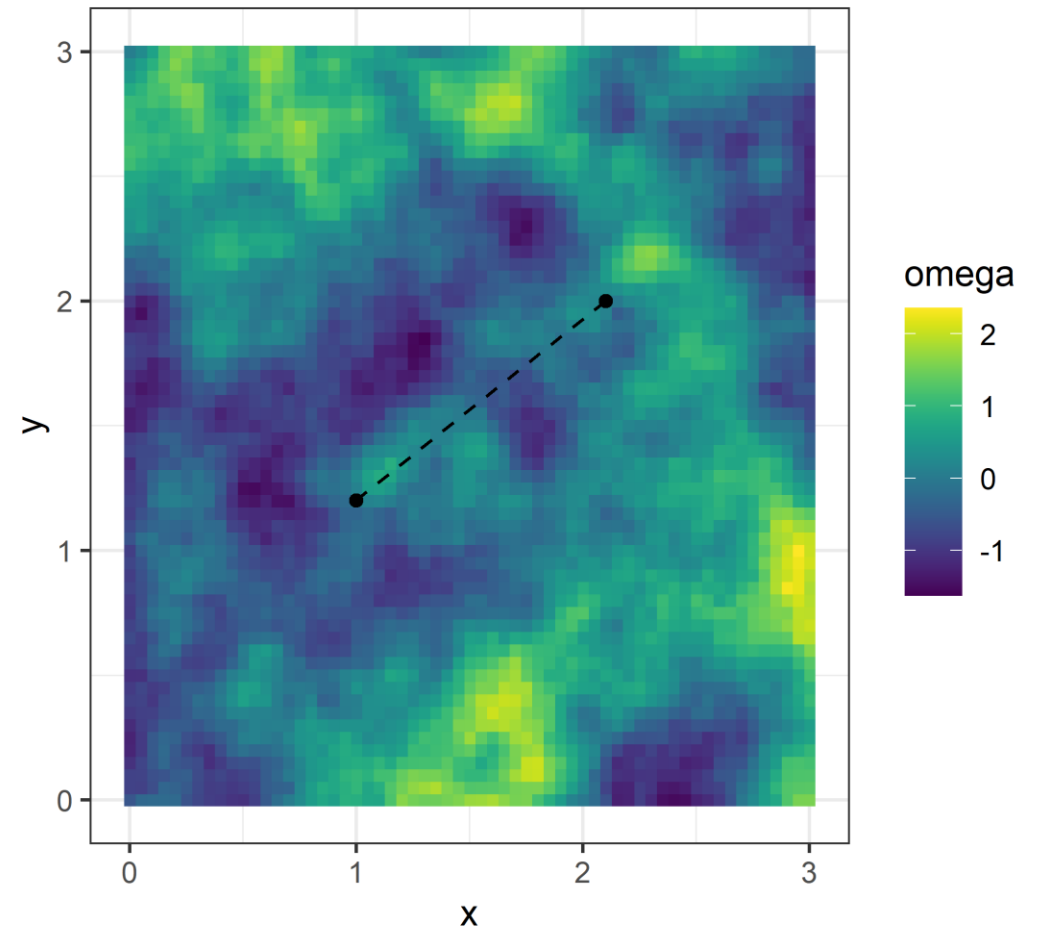
$$\Sigma_{i,j} = \frac{1}{2^{\nu-1}\Gamma(\nu)} (\kappa d)^{\nu} K_{\nu}(\kappa d)$$

$$\sigma^2 = 1, \nu = 1$$

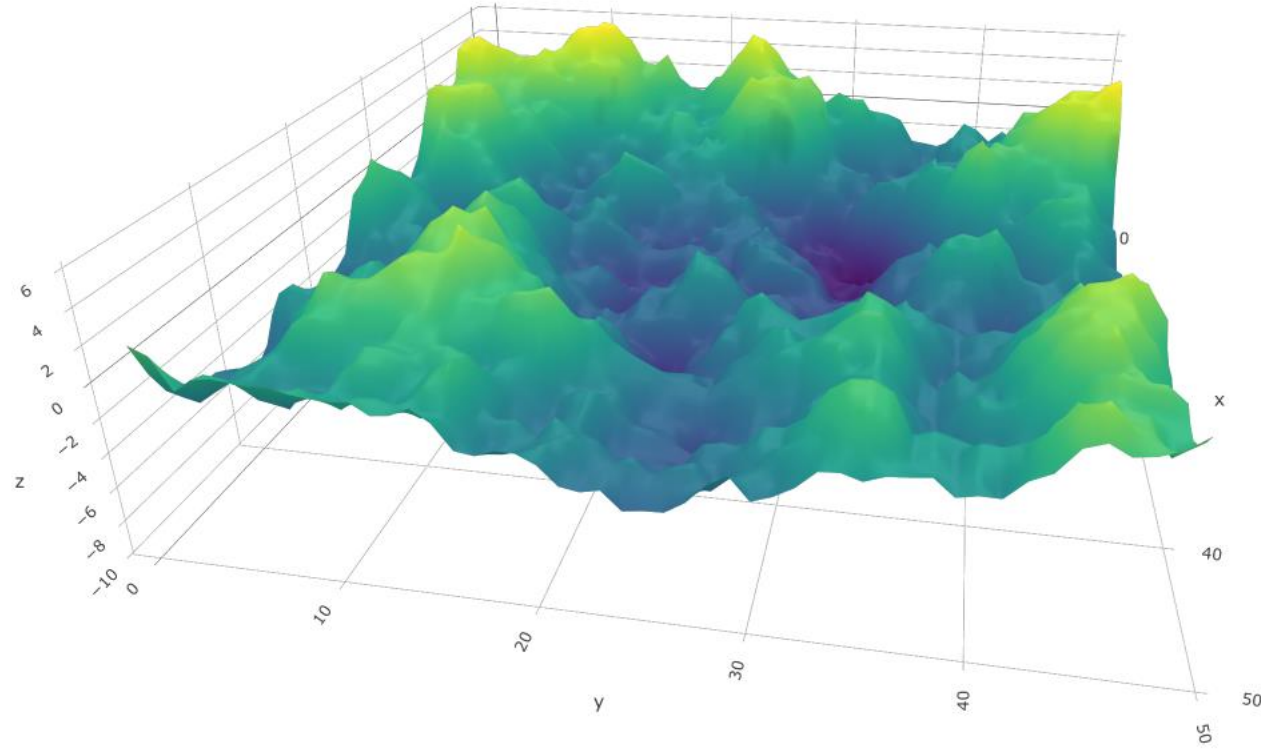


ϕ : distance spatial correlation $\approx 10\%$

$$\kappa = \sqrt{8\nu}/\phi$$



Gaussian Field



$$L(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{|\Sigma|^{-1/2}}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\omega}\right)$$

Likelihood Bottleneck

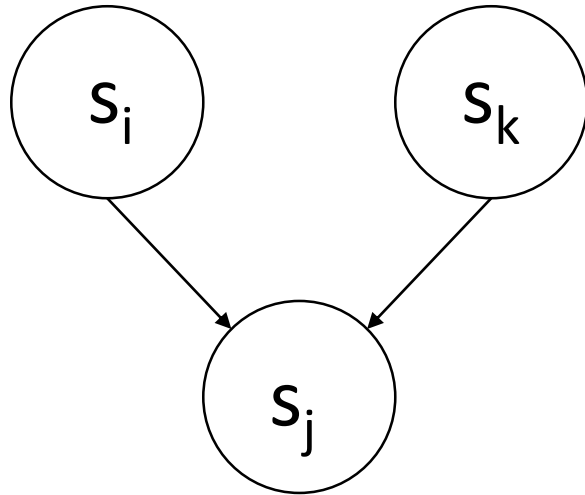
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- Operations are $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$

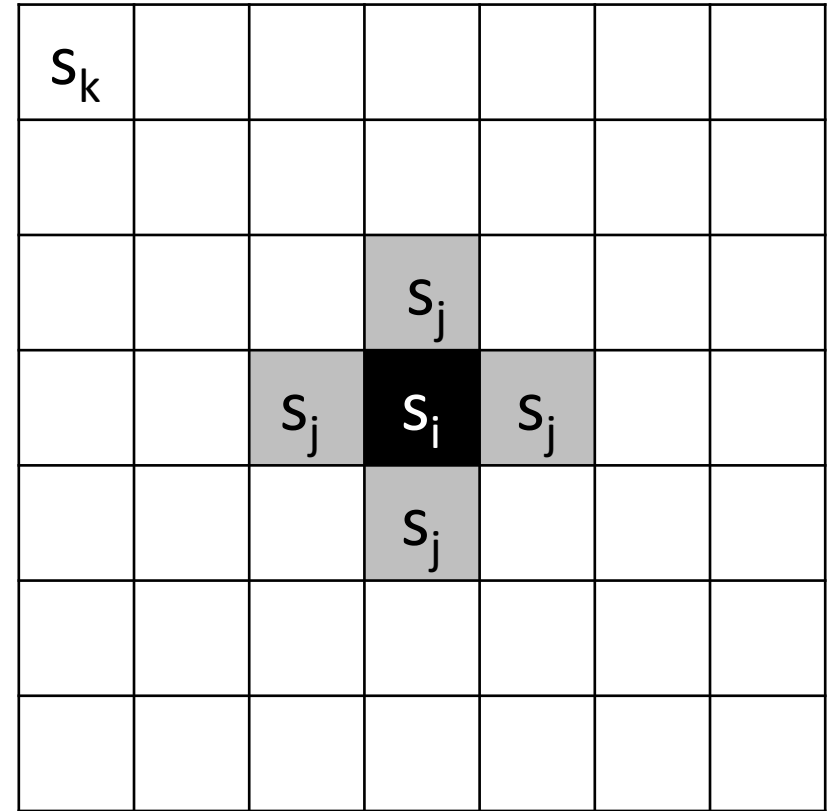
Gaussian Markov Random Field (Besag, 1974)

GMRF (Besag, 1974)

$$Y(s_i | \mathbf{s}_{-i}) = Y(s_i | \mathbf{s}_j : j \in Nb_i)$$

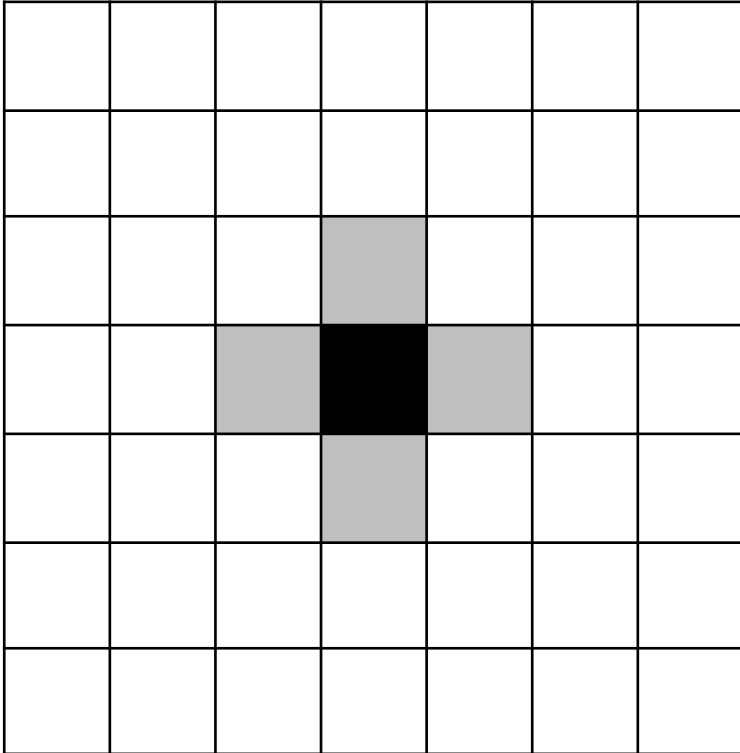


$$s_i \perp s_k \mid s_j$$

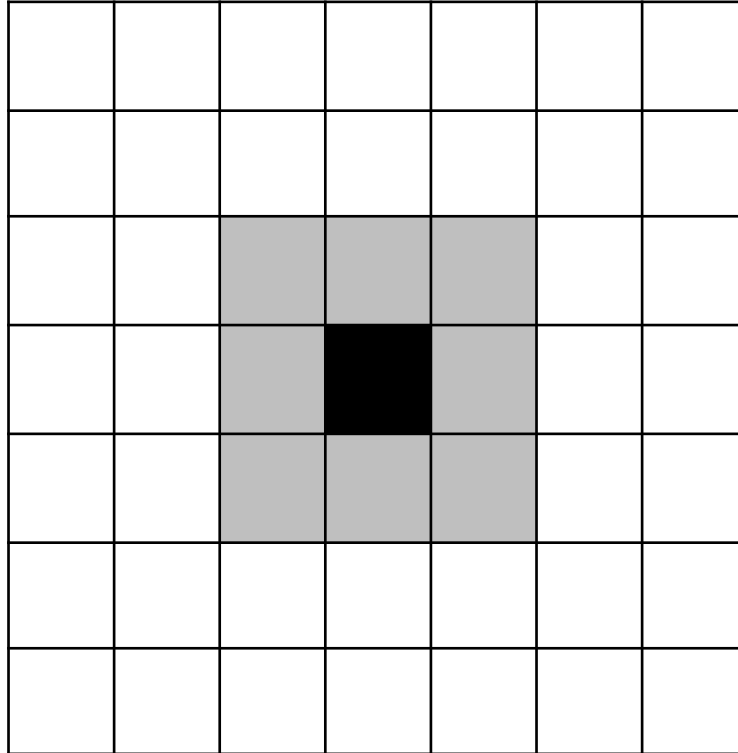


GMRF

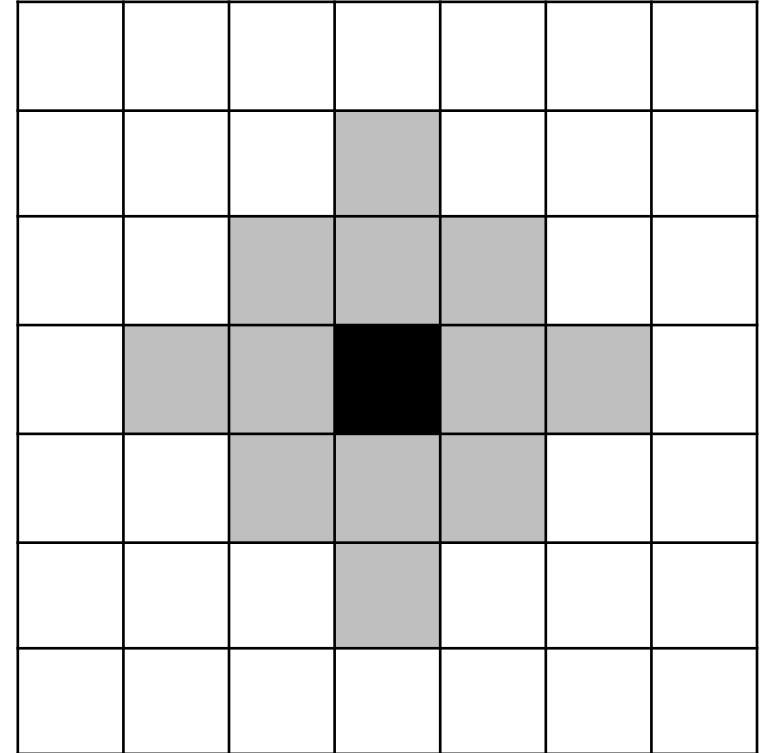
AR(1)



AR(2)



AR(3)



GMRF

$$Q = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \rho^2 & -\rho & \cdot & \cdot \\ -\rho & 1 + \rho^2 & -\rho & \cdot \\ \cdot & -\rho & 1 + \rho^2 & -\rho \\ \cdot & \cdot & -\rho & 1 + \rho^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

AR(1), 1D

s_k						
			s_j			
		s_j	s_i	s_j		
			s_j			

GMRF

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$$Q = \Sigma^{-1}$$

AR(1), 1D

s_k						
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GMRF

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$$Q = \Sigma^{-1}$$

$$\Sigma = \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \rho^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho & \rho^2 & \rho^3 \\ \rho & 1 & \rho & \rho^2 \\ \rho^2 & \rho & 1 & \rho \\ \rho^3 & \rho^2 & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

AR(1), 1D

s_k						
			s_j			
		s_j	s_i	s_j		
			s_j			

Likelihood Bottleneck

$$L(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{|\Sigma|^{-1/2}}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\omega}\right)$$

- Operations are $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$

Resolving the Likelihood Bottleneck

$$L(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \frac{|\Sigma|^{-1/2}}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega}^T \boldsymbol{Q} \boldsymbol{\omega}\right)$$

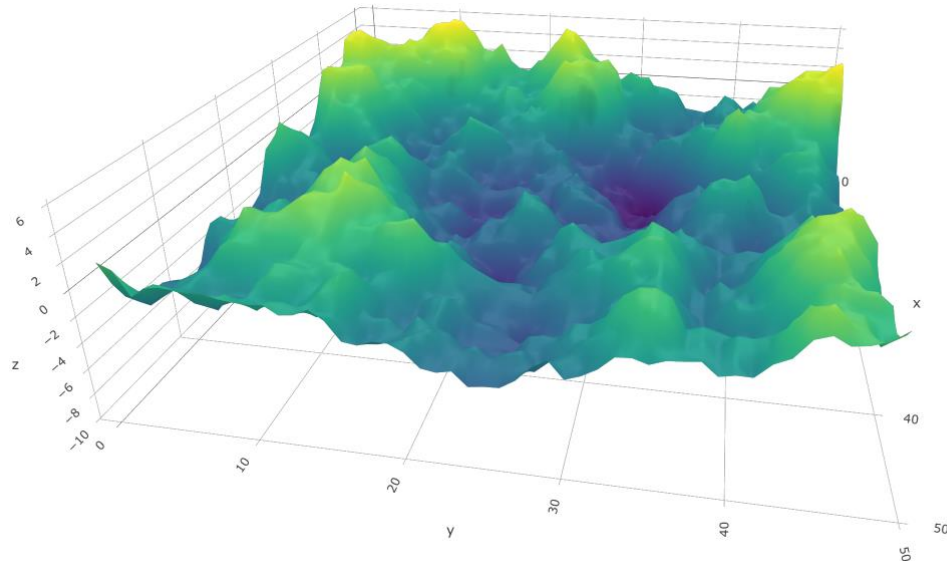
- Operations are $\mathcal{O}(n^{3/2})$

Stochastic Partial Differential Equation

SPDE (Whittle, 1963)

$$(\kappa^2 - \Delta)^{\alpha/2} x(s) = W(s)$$

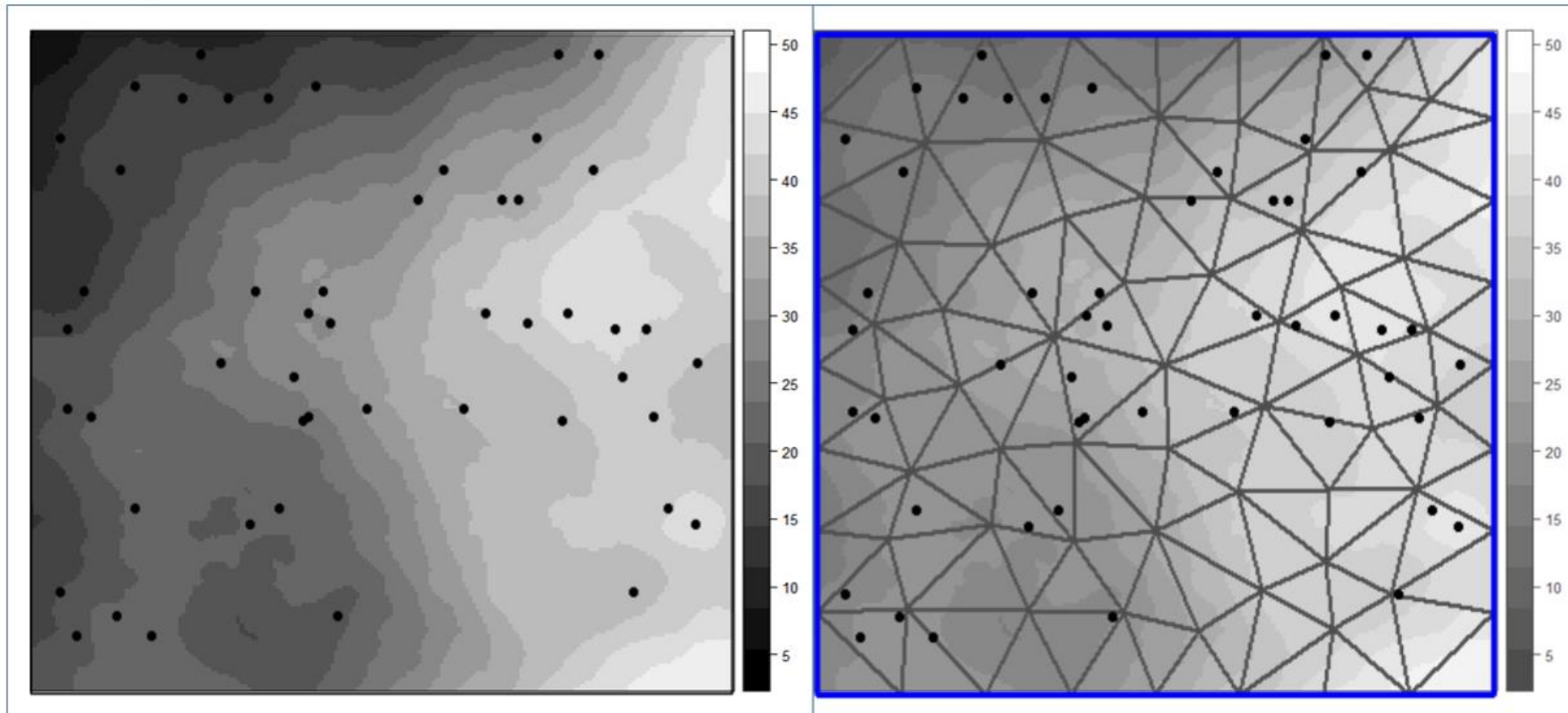
Solution: Gaussian Field with a Matérn covariance matrix



Finite Element Method approach to the SPDE

FEM-SPDE (Lindgren et al., 2011)

Triangulated Mesh



Finite Element Method approach to the SPDE

FEM-SPDE (Lindgren et al., 2011)

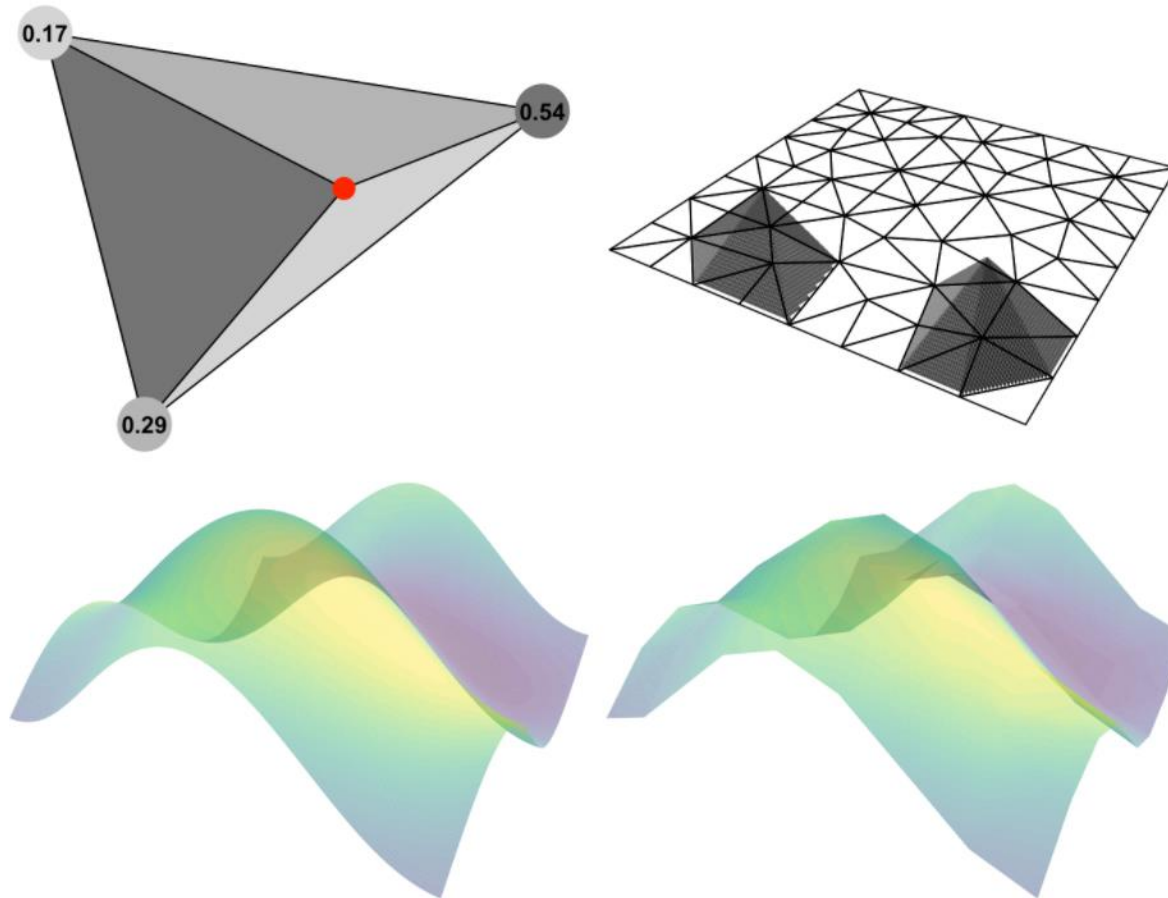
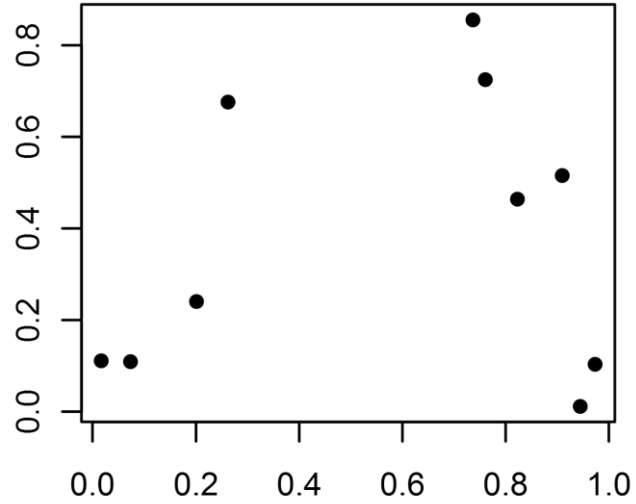
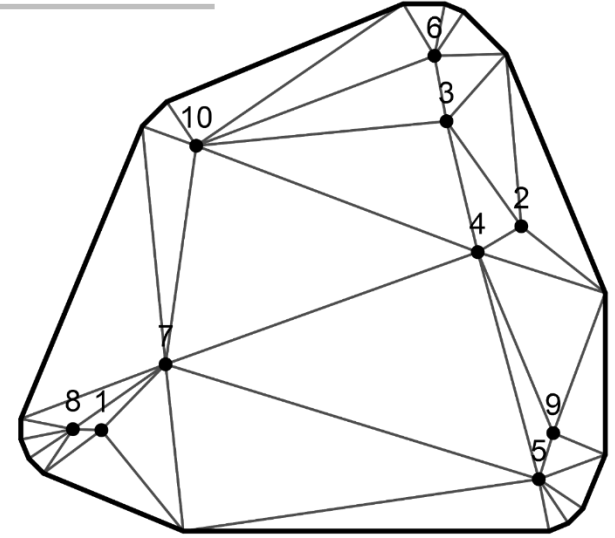


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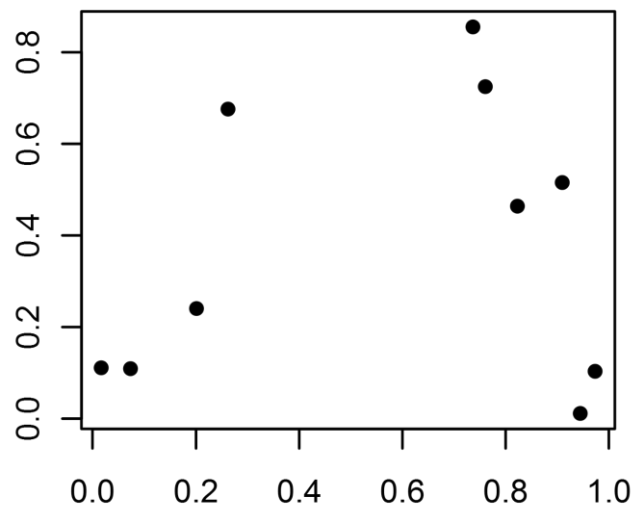
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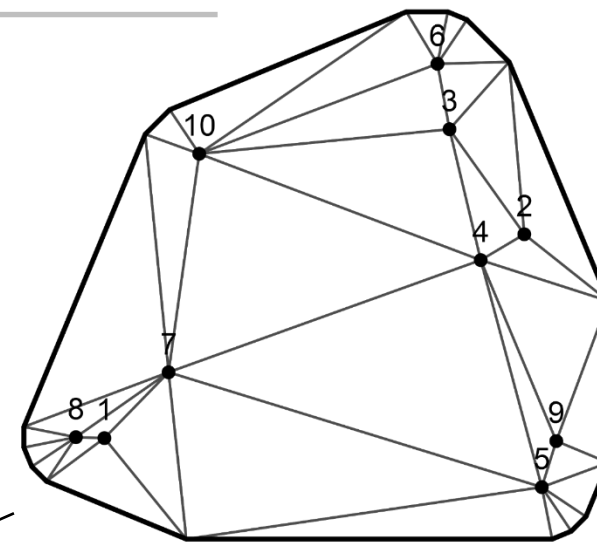
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inla.mesh.2d()  
inla.mesh.create()
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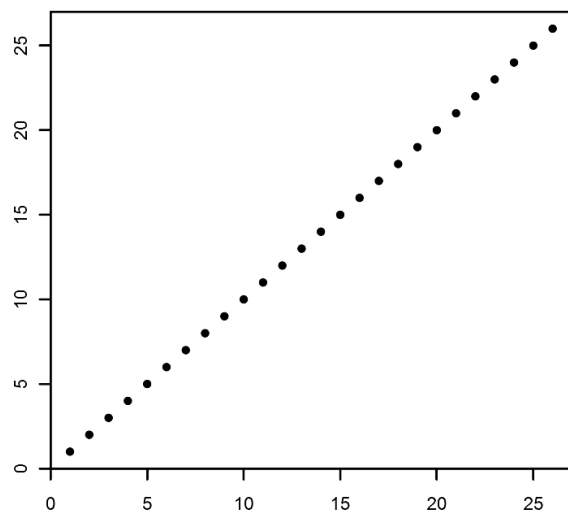
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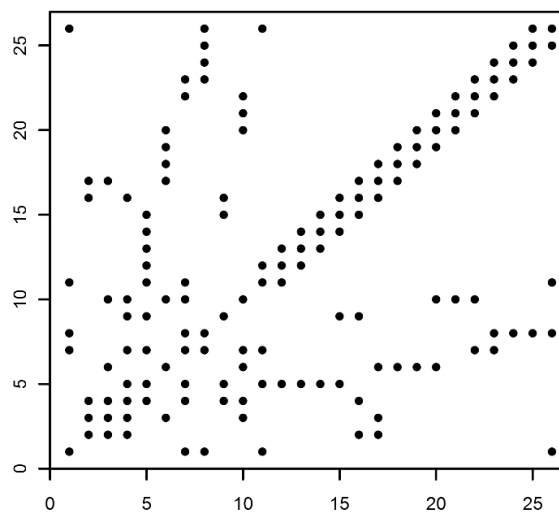
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inla.spde2.matern()
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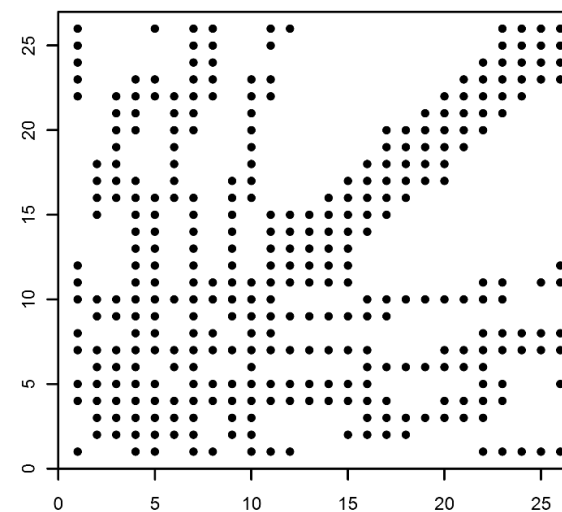
M0



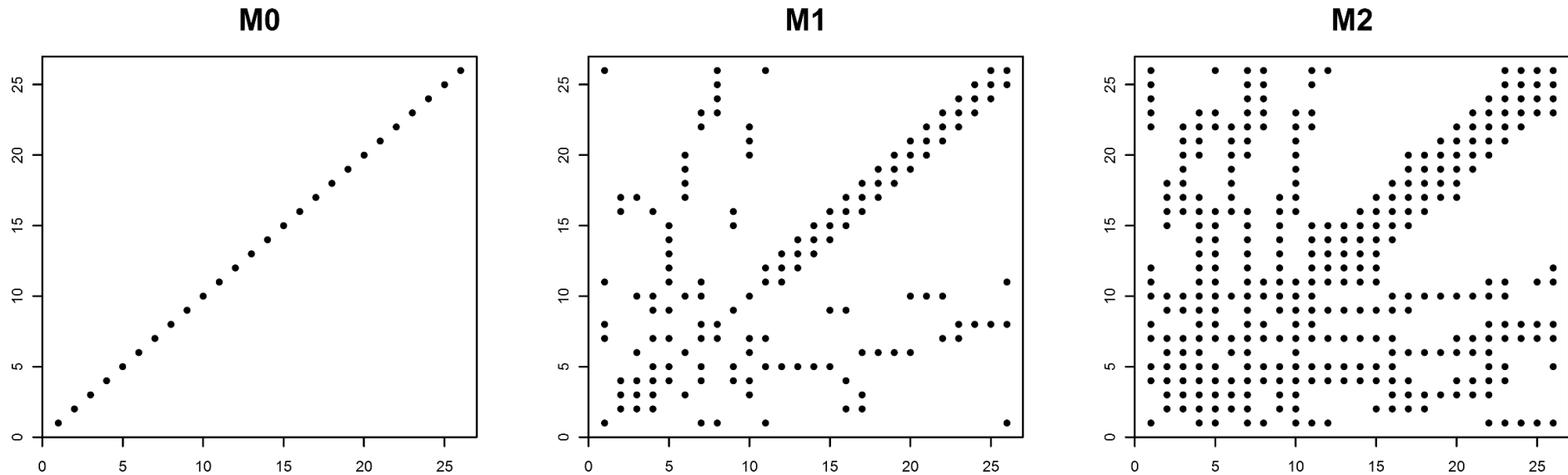
M1



M2



Precision matrix from R-INLA output



$$Q = \tau^2(\kappa^4 M_1 + 2\kappa^2 M_1 + M_2)$$

κ : rate of decay in
spatial correlation

$$\omega \sim GMRF(Q)$$

$$\tau^2 = \frac{1}{4\pi\kappa^2\sigma^2}, \nu = 1$$

TMB's Spatial Functionality

- Covariance Matrix, Σ :
 - `matern()`
 - `MVNORM()`
 - `AR1()`
- Precision Matrix, Q :
 - `R_inla::Q_spde()`
 - `GMRF()`
- Sparsity detection