

EOF: Empirical Orthogonal Function

SVD: Singular Value Decomposition analysis

MCA: Maximum Covariance Analysis

PCA: Principal Component Analysis

(Factor analysis, Combined EOF, Combined PCA, Canonical Correlation Analysis, Complex EOF, Conditional MCA, etc.)

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Introduction

The Preisendorfer approach:

Principal Component Analysis of a “multivariate” dataset

multivariate = N -variable dataset

The Menke approach:

Factor Analysis

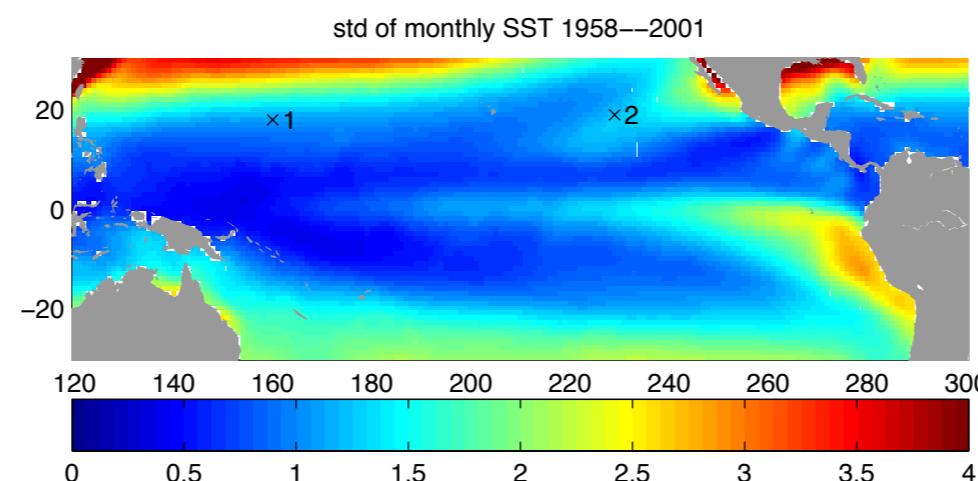
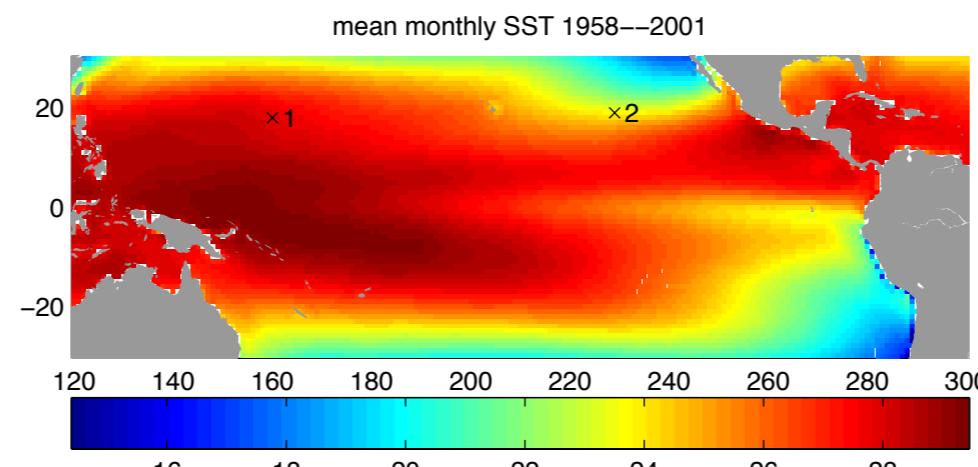
a “sample” is a linear “loading” of “factors”

or

The “data” can be decomposed into “modes”

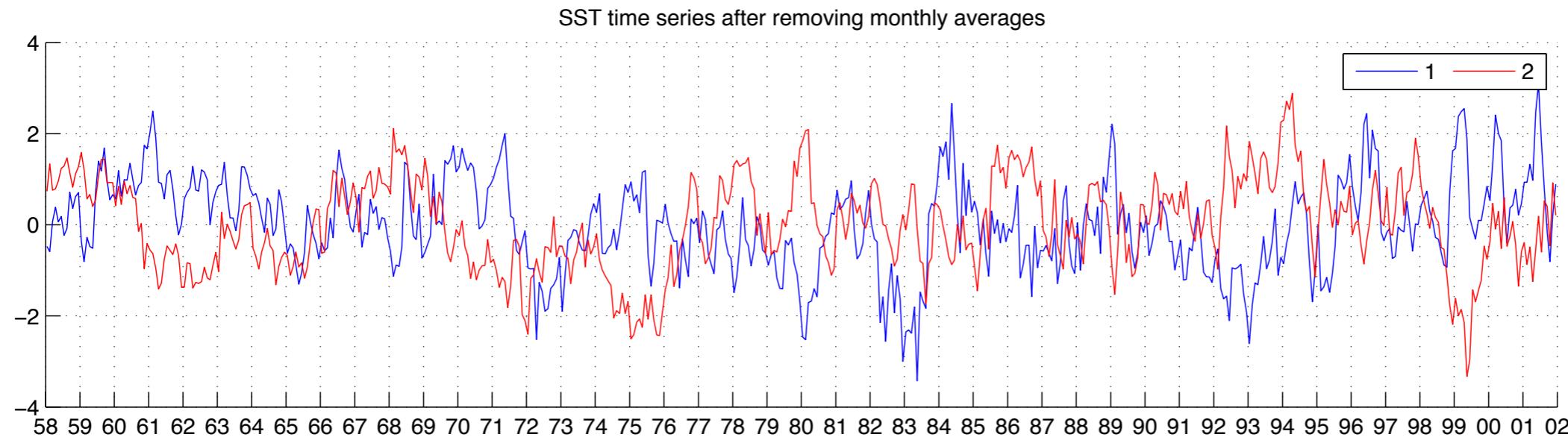
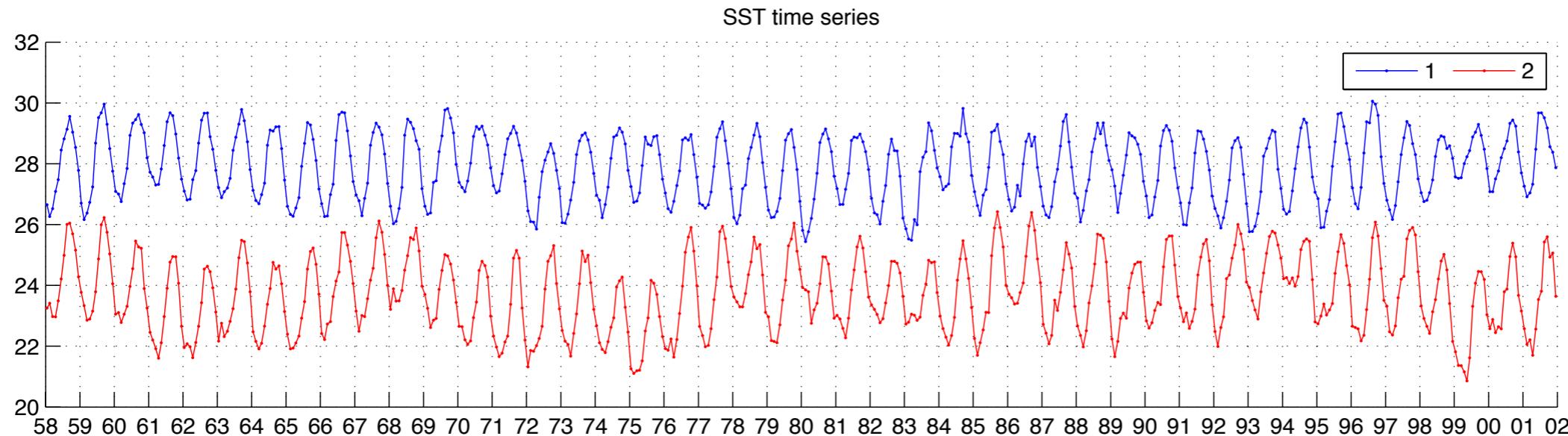
Example

Tropical Pacific Sea Surface Temperature
ECMWF ERA-40 Reanalyses, 1° resolution, monthly values
Two locations; 1:($160^{\circ}\text{E}, 18^{\circ}\text{N}$) and 2:($131^{\circ}\text{W}, 19^{\circ}\text{N}$)



Example: “bivariate” dataset

$$X_1 = \text{SST}(160^\circ\text{E}, 18^\circ\text{N}) ; X_2 = \text{SST}(131^\circ\text{W}, 19^\circ\text{N})$$

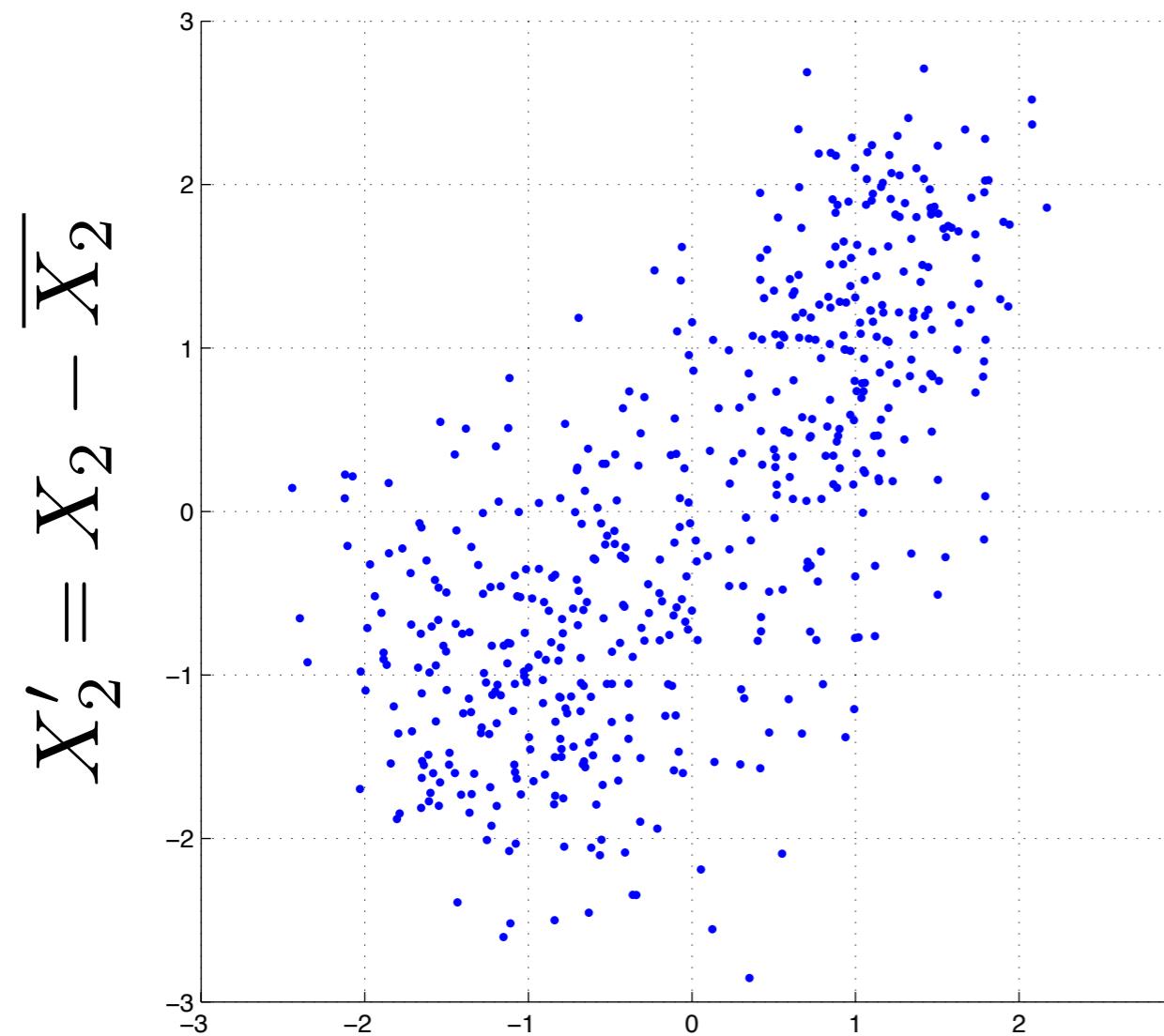


$N = 528$ data points

Scatter & statistics

Mean

$$\overline{X}_j \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N X_j(n)$$



$$X'_1 = X_1 - \overline{X}_1$$

Anomaly

$$X'_j(n) = X_j(n) - \overline{X}_j$$

Covariance

$$S_{X_j X_k} \equiv \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{n=1}^N X'_j(n) X'_k(n)$$

Auto-covariance or simply “variance”:

$$S_{X_1 X_1} \quad S_{X_2 X_2}$$

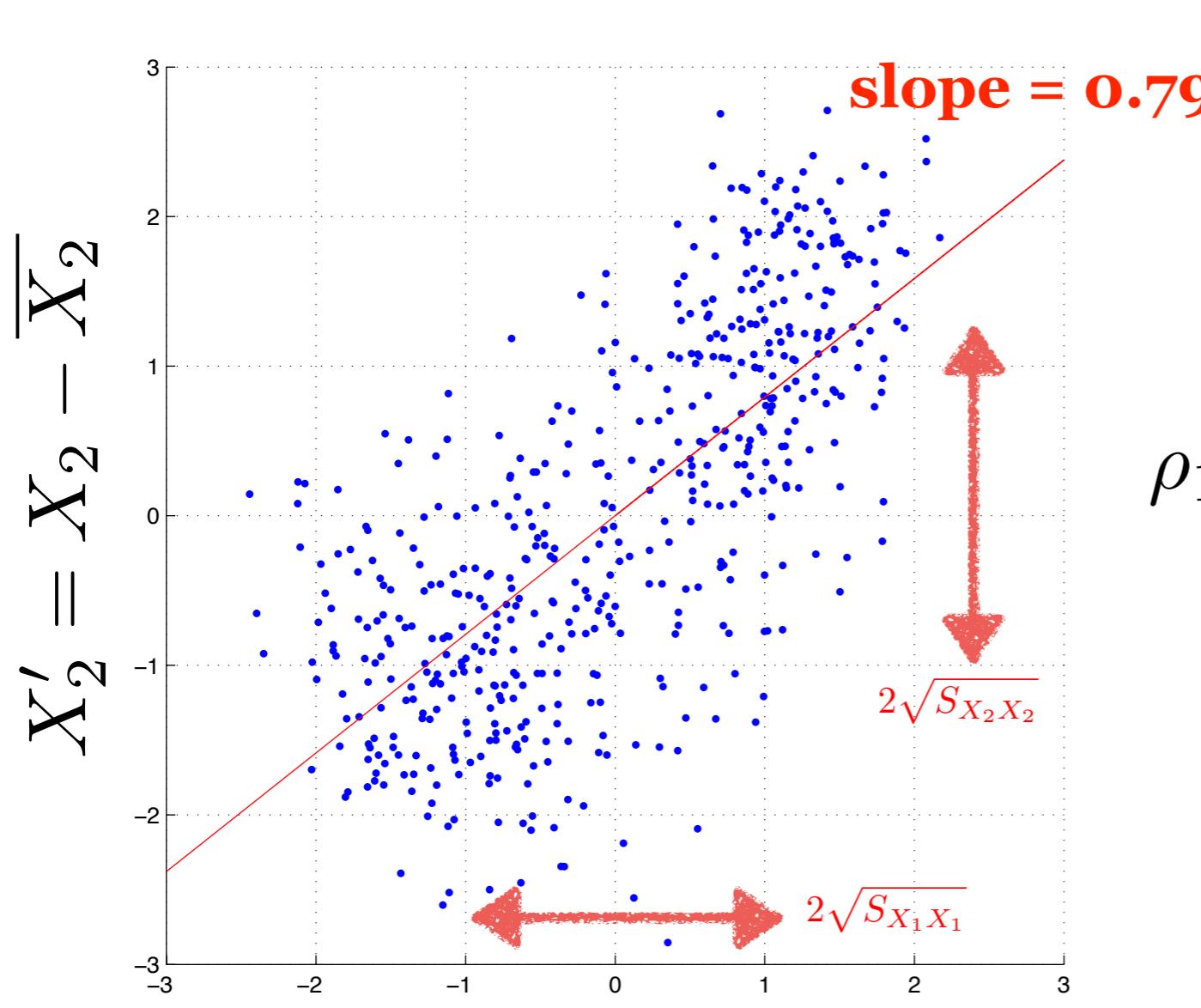
cross-covariance or simply “covariance”:

$$S_{X_1 X_2}$$

Scatter & statistics

$$\sqrt{S_{X_1 X_1}} = 1.09 \quad \text{Standard deviations}$$

$$\sqrt{S_{X_2 X_2}} = 1.23$$



$$S_{X_1 X_2} = 0.97^2 \text{ covariance}$$

Note! correlation coefficient:

$$\rho_{12} = \frac{S_{X_1 X_2}}{\sqrt{S_{X_1 X_1} S_{X_2 X_2}}} = 0.70$$

Note! regression coefficient of X_2 onto X_1 :

$$\widehat{X}_2' = \alpha X_1' \quad \text{"estimate" of } X_2 \text{ by } X_1$$

$$X_1' = X_1 - \bar{X}_1$$

$$\alpha = \frac{S_{X_1 X_2}}{S_{X_1 X_1}} = 0.79$$

Matrix notation (forgetting the “primes”)

$$\mathbf{X}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} X_1(1) \\ X_1(2) \\ \vdots \\ X_1(N) \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} X_2(1) \\ X_2(2) \\ \vdots \\ X_2(N) \end{bmatrix}$$

Data matrix

$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} X_1(1) & X_2(1) \\ X_1(2) & X_2(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ X_1(N) & X_2(N) \end{bmatrix}$

Note! Transpose = “switch” dimensions: $\mathbf{X}_1^T = [X_1(1) \ X_1(2) \ \cdots \ X_1(N)]$

**covariance
matrix** 

$$\mathbf{C}_{XX} = \frac{1}{N-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{N-1} [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2]^T [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{N-1} \begin{bmatrix} X_1(1) & X_1(2) & \cdots & X_1(N) \\ X_2(1) & X_2(2) & \cdots & X_2(N) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1(1) & X_2(1) \\ X_1(2) & X_2(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ X_1(N) & X_2(N) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N X_1(n)X_1(n) & \sum_{n=1}^N X_1(n)X_2(n) \\ \sum_{n=1}^N X_2(n)X_1(n) & \sum_{n=1}^N X_2(n)X_2(n) \end{bmatrix}$$

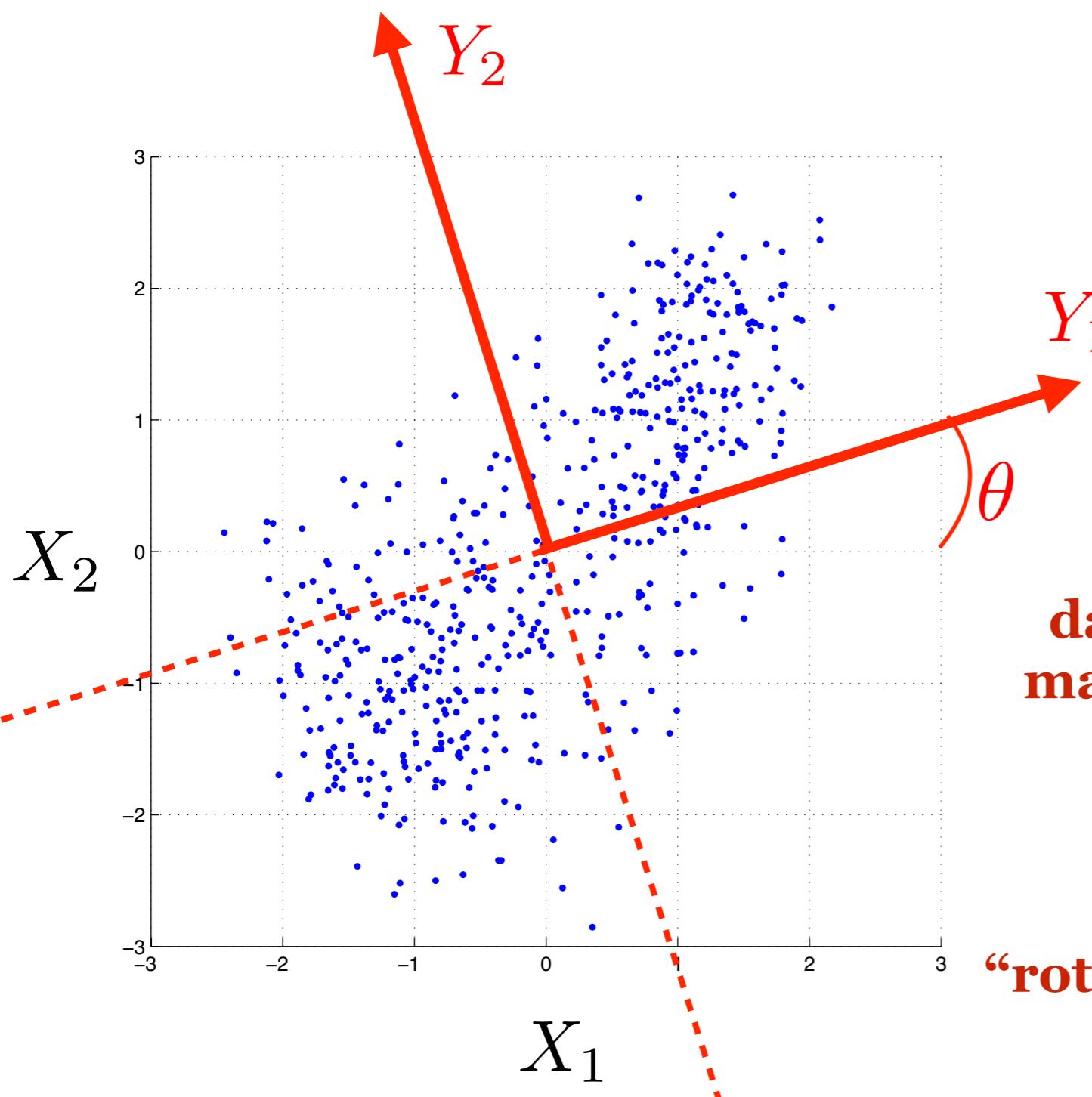
$$= \begin{bmatrix} S_{X_1X_1} & S_{X_1X_2} \\ S_{X_2X_1} & S_{X_2X_2} \end{bmatrix}$$



scatter matrix $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$

In Matlab from $N \times 1$ column vectors $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2$: $\mathbf{C} = \text{cov}(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2);$

Rotation of frame of reference



Rotation matrix property:

Matlab: `inv(R)` or `R^-1` NOT `R.^{-1}`;

New “coordinates”

$$Y_1(n) = X_1(n) \cos \theta + X_2(n) \sin \theta$$

$$Y_2(n) = -X_1(n) \sin \theta + X_2(n) \cos \theta$$

$$[\mathbf{Y}_1 \ \mathbf{Y}_2] = [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

**data
matrix**

$$\mathbf{Y}(\theta) = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{R}(\theta)$$

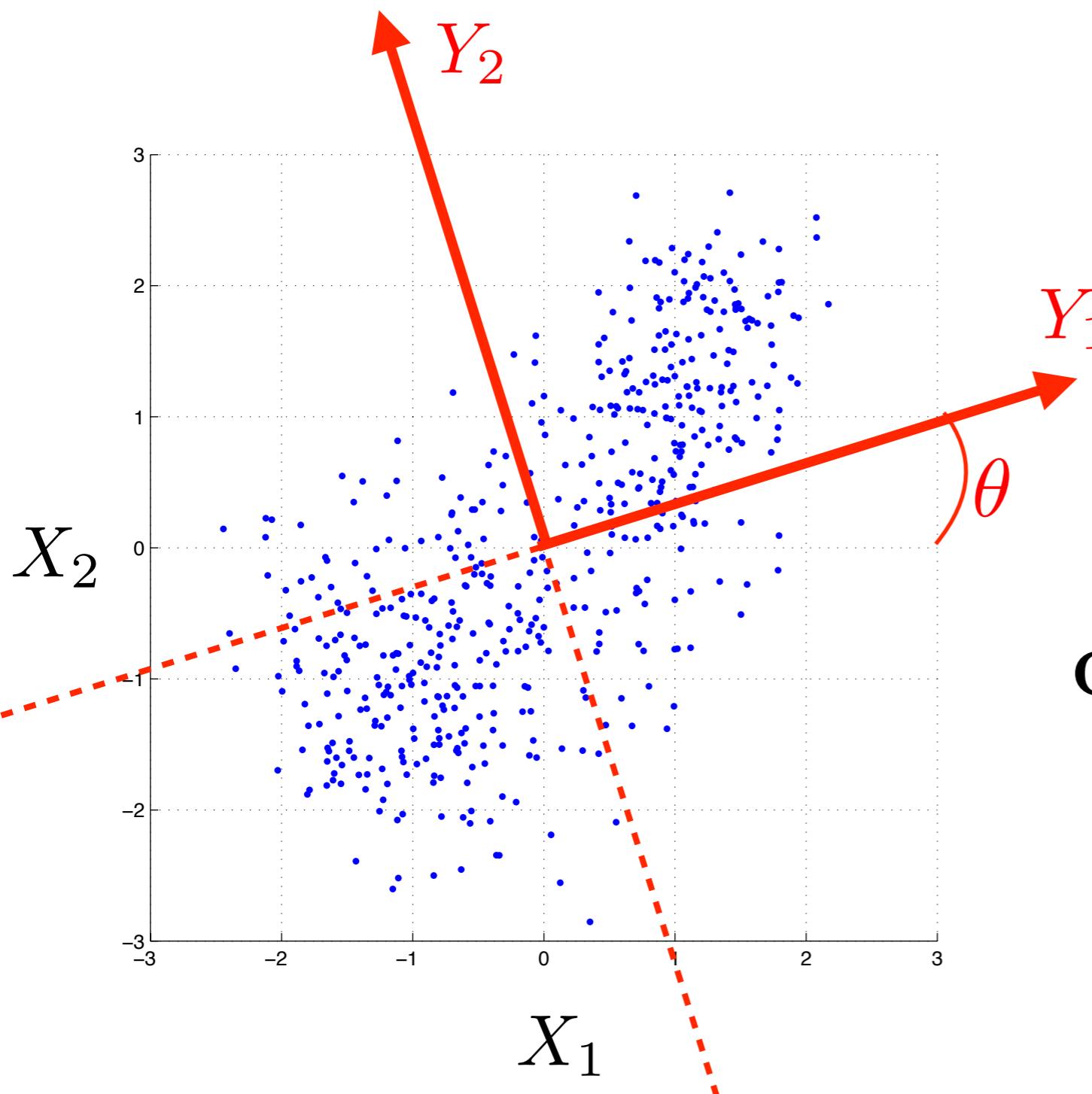
**“rotated” data
matrix**

“rotation” matrix

$$\mathbf{R}^{-1} \equiv \mathbf{R}^T$$

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

rotation of frame of reference



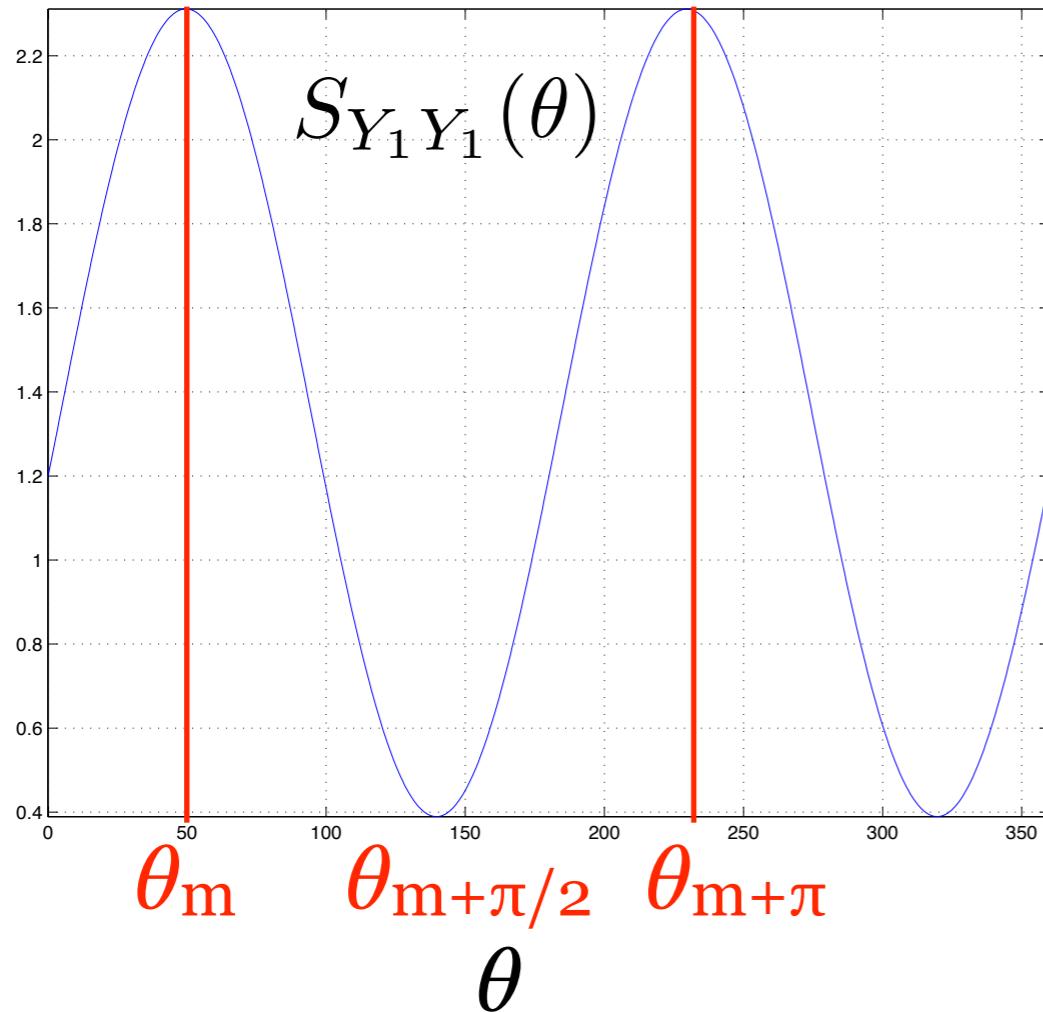
Auto-covariance of Y_1 :

$$S_{Y_1 Y_1}(\theta) = S_{X_1 X_1} \cos^2 \theta + 2S_{X_1 X_2} \sin \theta \cos \theta + S_{X_2 X_2} \sin^2 \theta$$

Covariance matrix for rotated data matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}_{YY}(\theta) &= \frac{1}{N-1} \mathbf{Y}^T(\theta) \mathbf{Y}(\theta) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} S_{Y_1 Y_1}(\theta) & S_{Y_1 Y_2}(\theta) \\ S_{Y_2 Y_1}(\theta) & S_{Y_2 Y_2}(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Can we find a value θ_m of θ that maximizes $S_{Y_1 Y_1}$?



YES! The solution is such that:

$$\tan 2\theta_m = \frac{S_{X_1 X_2}}{S_{X_1 X_1} - S_{X_2 X_2}}$$

And the covariances are such that:

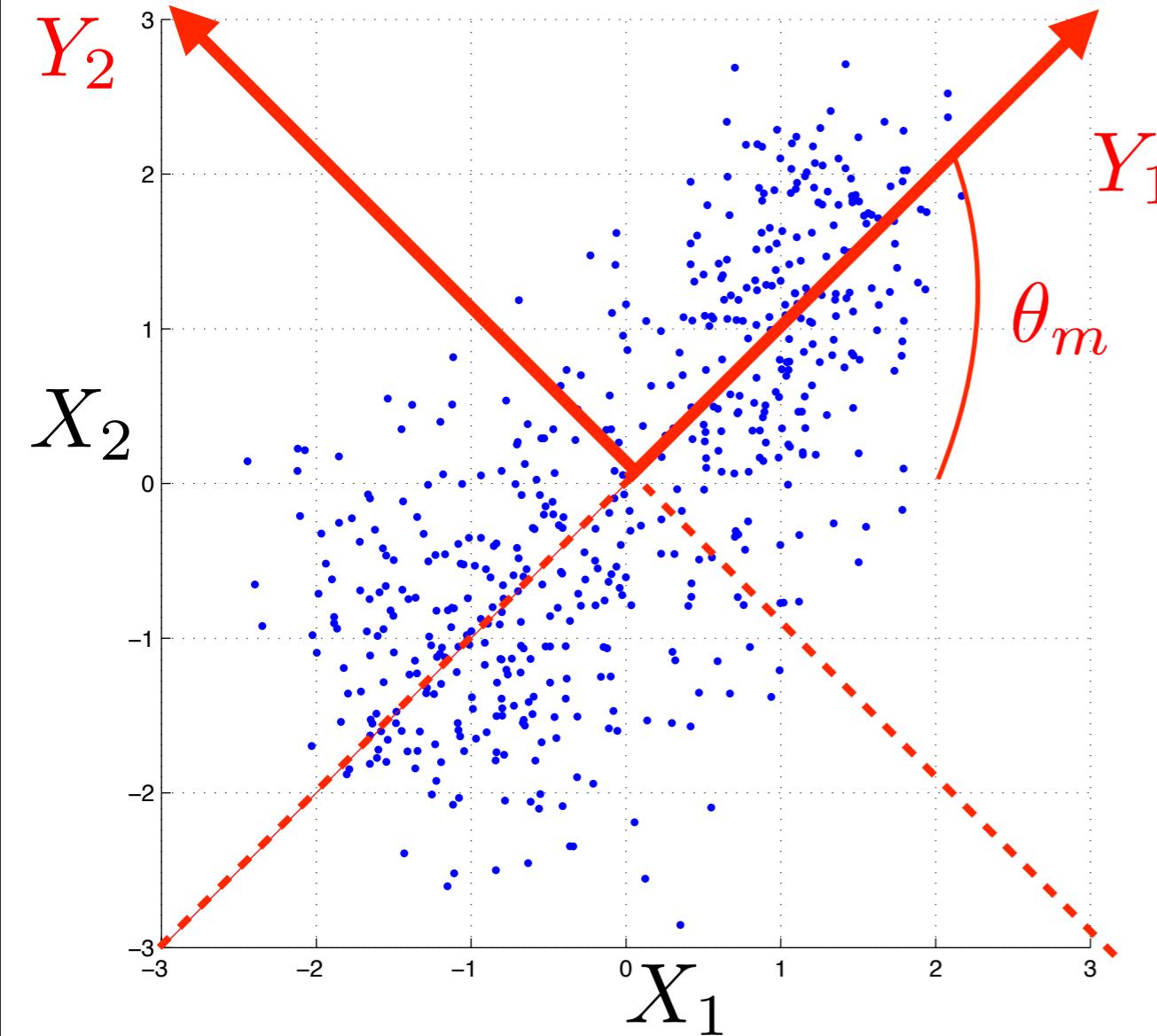
$$S_{Y_1 Y_1}(\theta_m) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ (S_{X_1 X_1} + S_{X_2 X_2}) + [(S_{X_1 X_1} + S_{X_2 X_2})^2 + 4S_{X_1 X_2}^2]^{1/2} \right\} \text{ maximum!}$$

$$S_{Y_2 Y_2}(\theta_m) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ (S_{X_1 X_1} + S_{X_2 X_2}) - [(S_{X_1 X_1} + S_{X_2 X_2})^2 + 4S_{X_1 X_2}^2]^{1/2} \right\} \text{ minimum!}$$

$$S_{Y_1 Y_2}(\theta_m) = 0 \quad \text{zero!}$$

$$0 \leq S_{Y_2 Y_2}(\theta_m) \leq S_{X_1 X_1}, S_{X_2 X_2} \leq S_{Y_1 Y_1}(\theta_m)$$

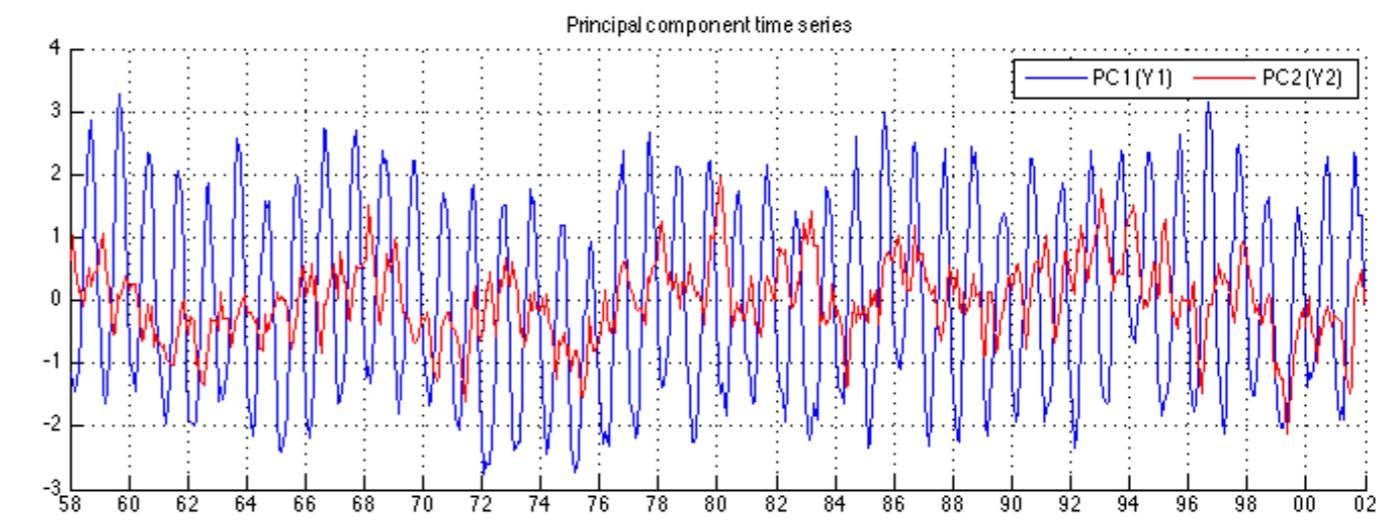
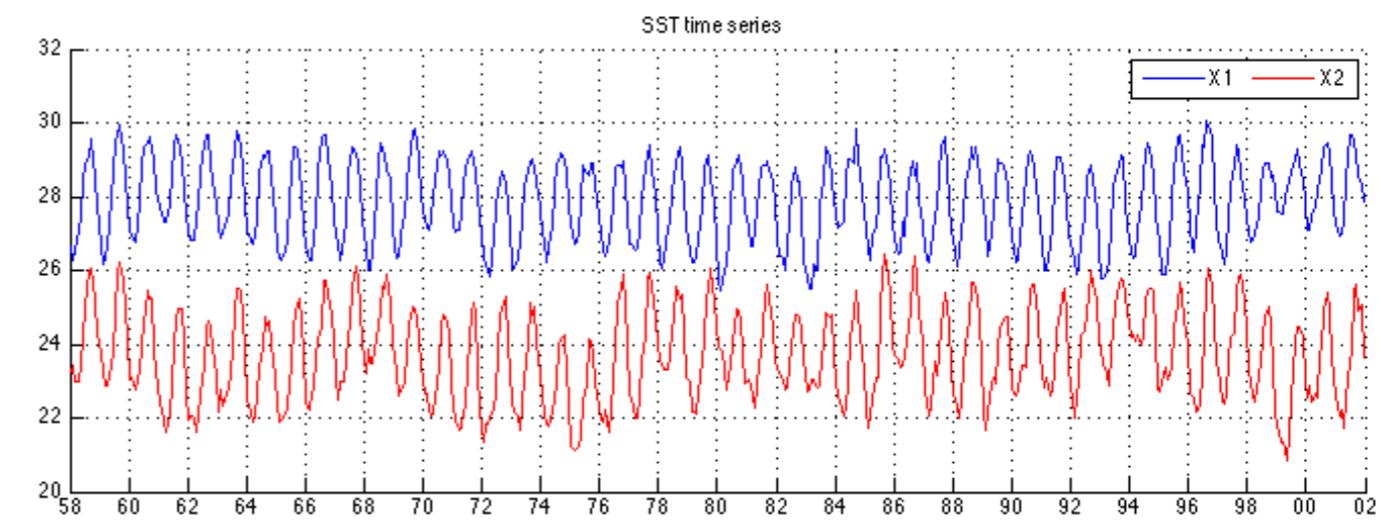
What do we get?



$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{Y}_1 \ \mathbf{Y}_2] &= [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2] \mathbf{R}(\theta_m) \\ &= [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_m & -\sin \theta_m \\ \sin \theta_m & \cos \theta_m \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{R}(\theta_m) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.65 & -0.76 \\ 0.76 & 0.65 \end{bmatrix}$$

Principal component analysis provides an alternate representation of the variance of your data:



$$\begin{aligned} X_1(n) &= 0.65Y_1(n) - 0.76Y_2(n) \\ X_2(n) &= 0.76Y_1(n) + 0.65Y_2(n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow \\ Y_1(n) &= 0.65X_1(n) + 0.76X_2(n) \\ Y_2(n) &= -0.76X_1(n) + 0.65X_2(n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_{X_1 X_2} = 0.70$$

$$\rho_{Y_1 Y_2} = 0!$$

Let's define:

$$\mathbf{R}(\theta_m) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_m & -\sin \theta_m \\ \sin \theta_m & \cos \theta_m \end{bmatrix} \equiv \mathbf{U}$$

2 “Eigen vectors” of \mathbf{C}_{XX}

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{U}$$

2 “Principal components”

Covariance matrix for rotated data matrix:

$$\mathbf{C}_{YY} = \frac{1}{N-1} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y} = \frac{1}{N-1} (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{U})^T (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{U}) = \frac{1}{N-1} \mathbf{U}^T (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}) \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{C}_{XX} \mathbf{U}$$

or rewrite:

$$\mathbf{C}_{XX} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{C}_{YY} \mathbf{U}^T$$

$$= \mathbf{U} \begin{bmatrix} S_{Y_1 Y_1} & 0 \\ 0 & S_{Y_2 Y_2} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}^T$$

2 “Eigen values” of \mathbf{C}_{XX}

**“Diagonalization” of matrix
or “eigen” decomposition**

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{U}^{-1} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{U}^T \iff \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{U}$$

principal components

PC1 PC2

$$\mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{Y}_1 \ \mathbf{Y}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1(1) & Y_2(1) \\ Y_1(2) & Y_2(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ Y_1(N) & Y_2(N) \end{bmatrix}$$

modes

mode #1 mode #2

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}^{-1} = \mathbf{U}^{-1}\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X_1(n) = Y_1(n)U_{11} + Y_2(n)U_{12}$$

$$X_2(n) = Y_1(n)U_{21} + Y_2(n)U_{22}$$

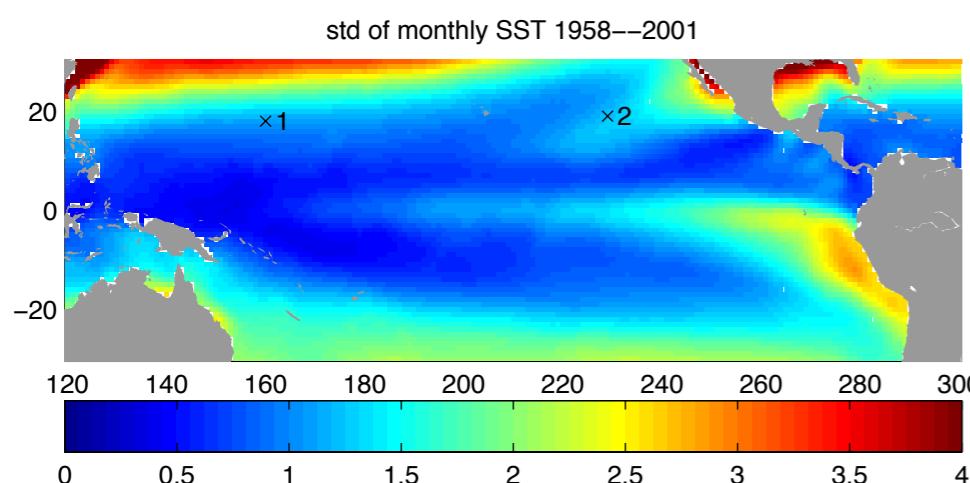
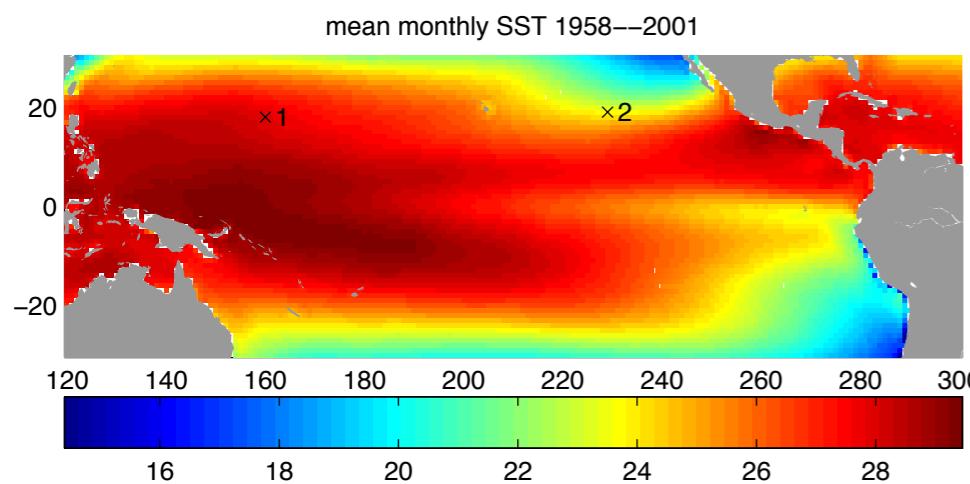
Data is decomposed
into loadings (the Ys) of factors (the Us)

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in principal components (the Ys) times modes (the Us)

Generalization to P data points: EOF!

$P = 9560$ (without land)



Data matrix is $N \times P$

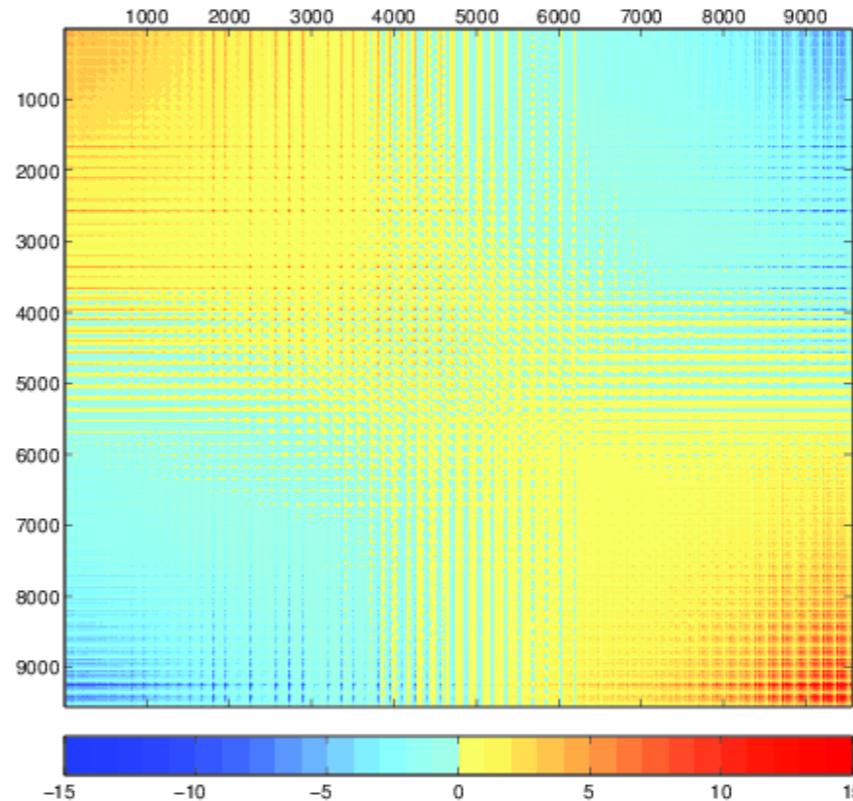
$$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{X}_P] = \begin{bmatrix} X_1(1) & X_2(1) & \cdots & X_P(1) \\ X_1(2) & X_2(2) & \cdots & X_P(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_1(N) & X_2(N) & \cdots & X_P(N) \end{bmatrix}$$

covariance matrix is $P \times P$ symmetric

$$\mathbf{C}_{XX} = \frac{1}{N-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$$

position index from 1 to P

position index from 1 to P



Calculate eigen decomposition:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{C}_{XX} &= \mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Gamma}\mathbf{U}^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{k=P} \gamma_k \mathbf{U}_k \mathbf{U}_k^T \\ &= \gamma_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{U}_1^T + \gamma_2 \mathbf{U}_2 \mathbf{U}_2^T + \cdots + \gamma_P \mathbf{U}_P \mathbf{U}_P^T\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \cdots & U_{1P} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} & \cdots & U_{2P} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ U_{P1} & U_{P2} & \cdots & U_{PP} \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{U}_1 \quad \mathbf{U}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{U}_P]$$

P “Eigen vectors” of Cxx or EOF

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \gamma_P \end{bmatrix}$$

P “Eigen values” of Cxx

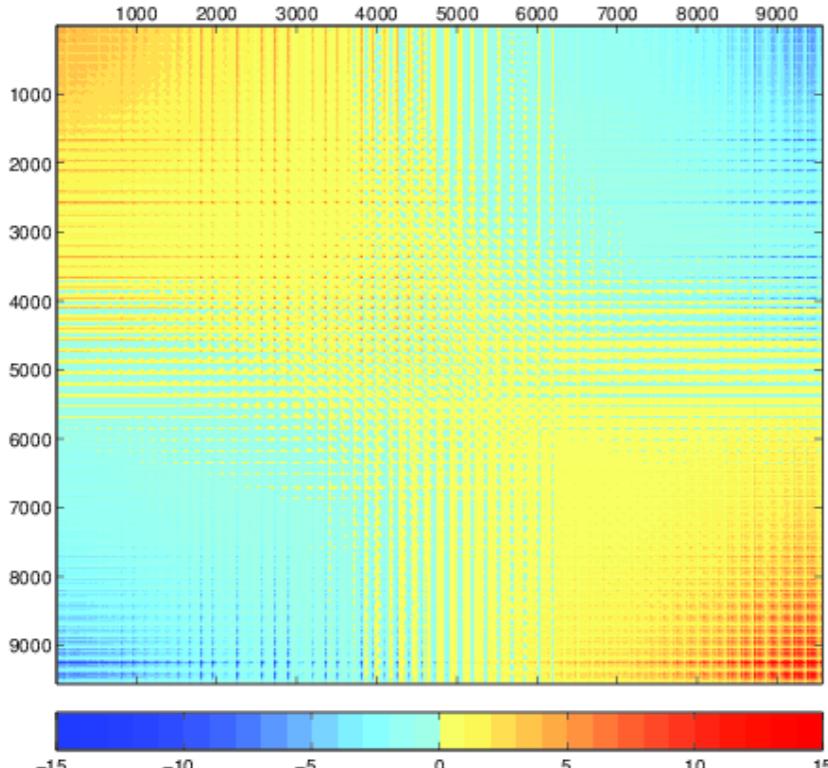
$$\text{scf}_m = \frac{\gamma_m}{\sum_{k=1}^P \gamma_k}$$

“fraction” of variance explained (<1)

covariance matrix eigen decomposition:

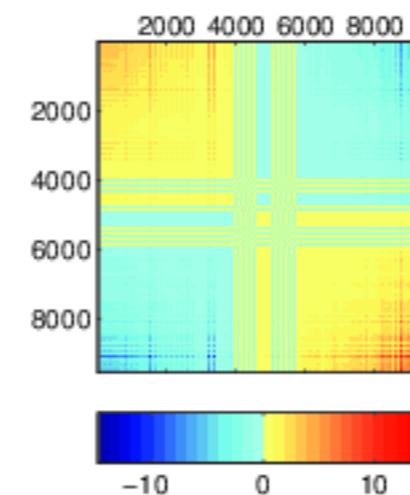
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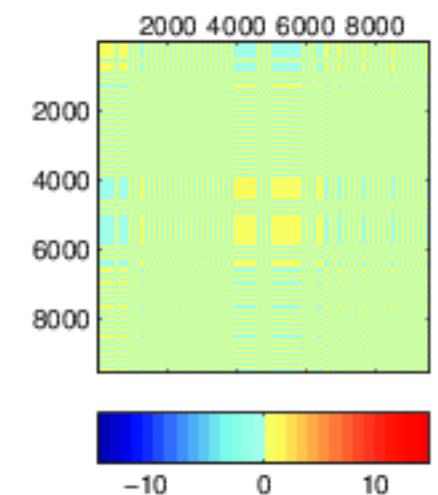


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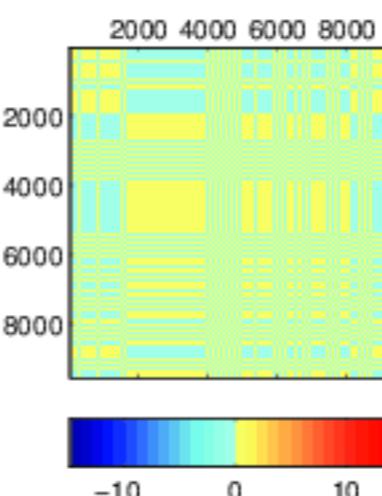


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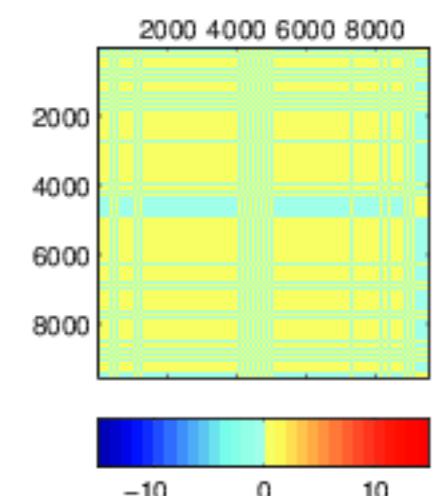


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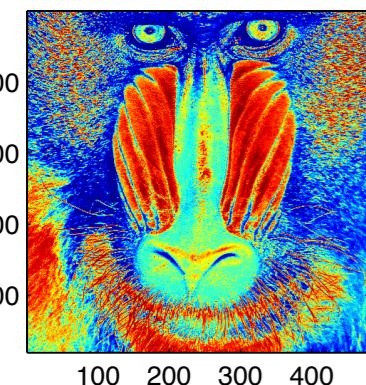
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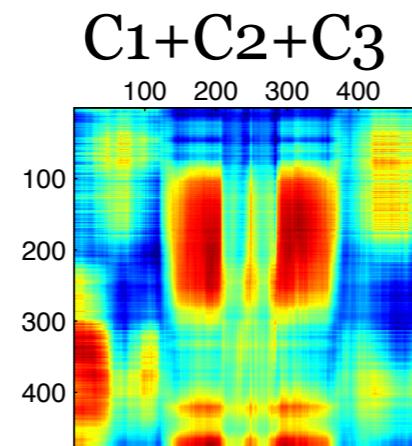
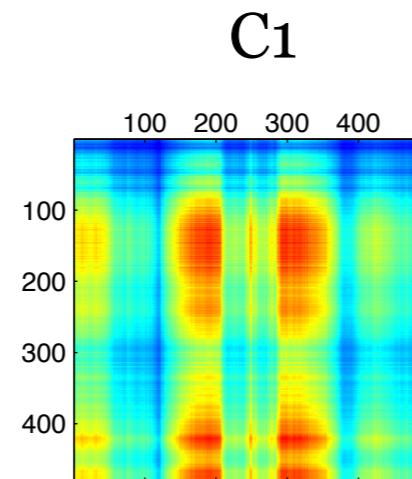
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Digression: eigen decomposition of the Mandrill

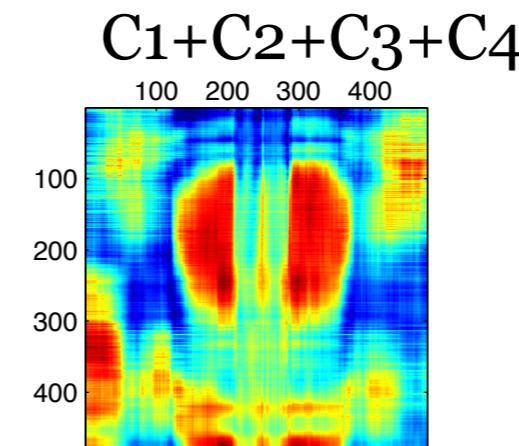
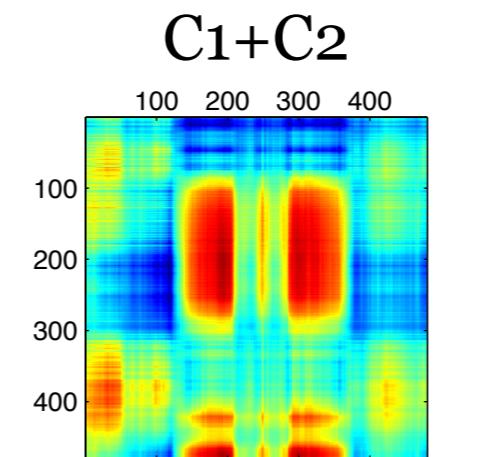
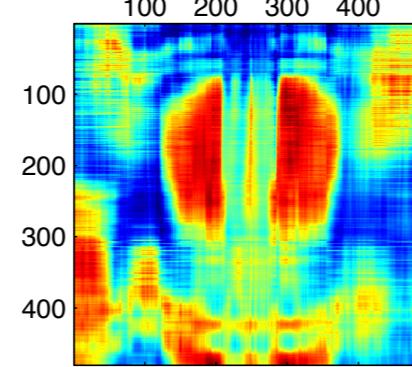
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load mandrill;
imagesc(X(:,1:480));
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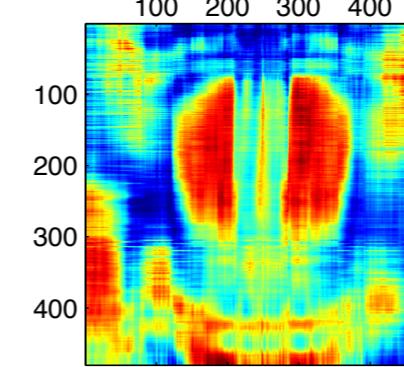
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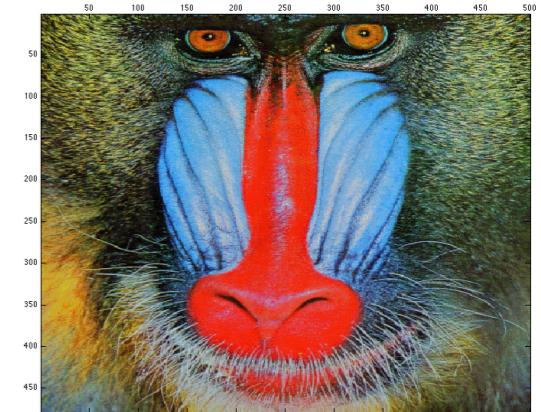


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Try this:

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load mandrill;
image(X);
colormap(map);
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+ ... (474 others)

Back to SST in the Pacific:

Calculate eigen decomposition: $\mathbf{C}_{XX} = \mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Gamma}\mathbf{U}^T$

Calculate principal components: $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{U}$

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \cdots & U_{1P} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} & \cdots & U_{2P} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ U_{P1} & U_{P2} & \cdots & U_{PP} \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{U}_1 \quad \mathbf{U}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{U}_P]$$

P “Eigen vectors” of \mathbf{C}_{xx} or EOF

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \gamma_P \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_1(1) & A_2(1) & \cdots & A_P(1) \\ A_1(2) & A_2(2) & \cdots & A_P(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_1(N) & A_2(N) & \cdots & A_P(N) \end{bmatrix}$$

P “Eigen values” of \mathbf{C}_{xx}

$$\text{scf}_m = \frac{\gamma_m}{\sum_{k=1}^P \gamma_k}$$

“fraction” of variance explained (<1)

P principal components

Note! PCA property:

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} = (N - 1)\boldsymbol{\Gamma}$$

means the PC are uncorrelated!

Back to SST in the Pacific:

Data matrix $\xrightarrow{\text{red arrow}}$ $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{AU}^T$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^P \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{U}_k^H \quad \xleftarrow{\text{red arrow}} \text{Sum of P modes}$$

Time series at one location is the sum of P time series

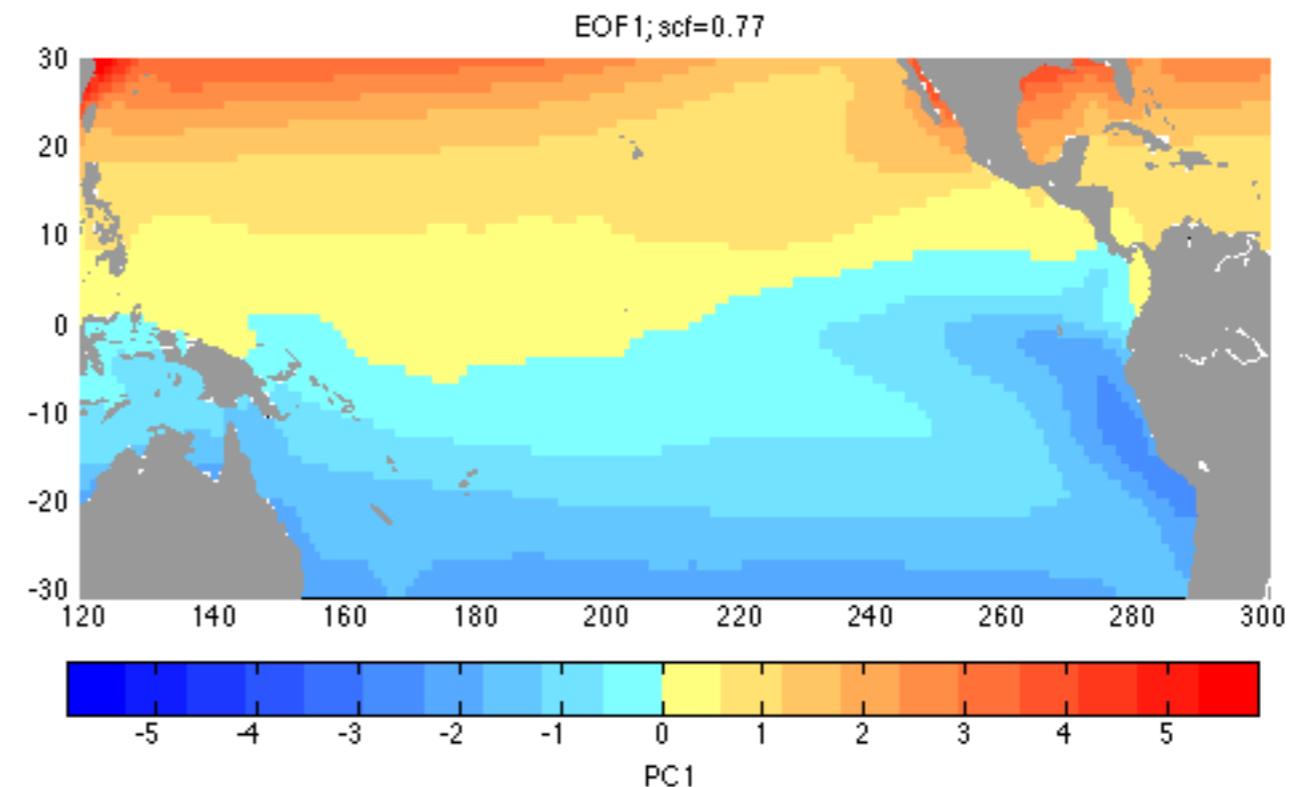
$$X_j(t) = \sum_{k=1}^P X_j^k(t) = \sum_{k=1}^P A(n) U_{jk}$$

One can study one single mode time series ...

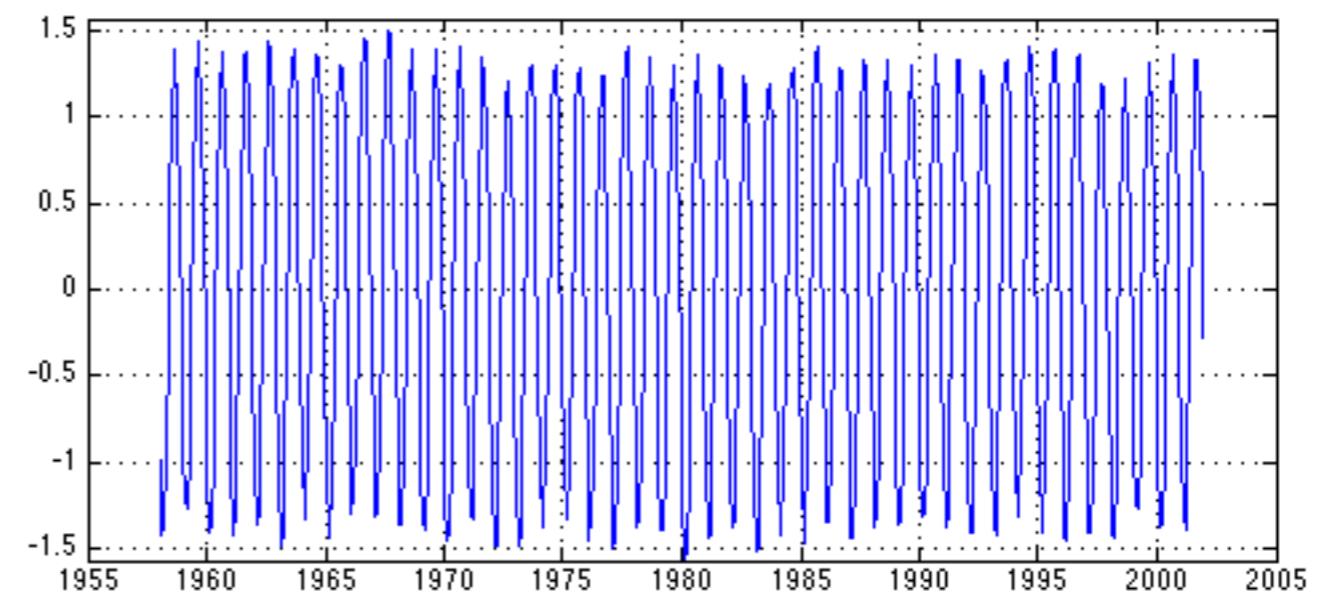
$$X_j^k(t) = A_k(n) U_{jk}$$

EOF1 “explains” 77% of the variance

First eigen vector U_1 or
“EOF1” reorganized
into a map:



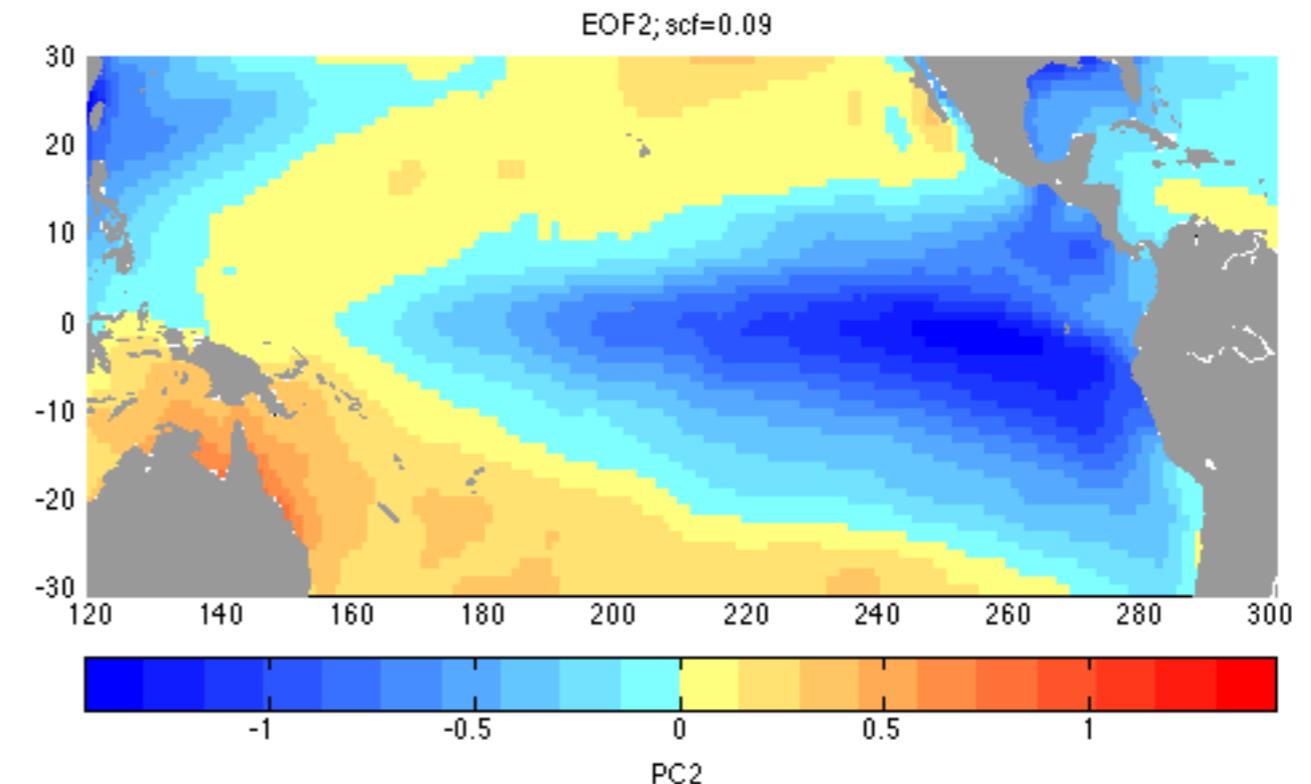
First principal component
time series (PC1)



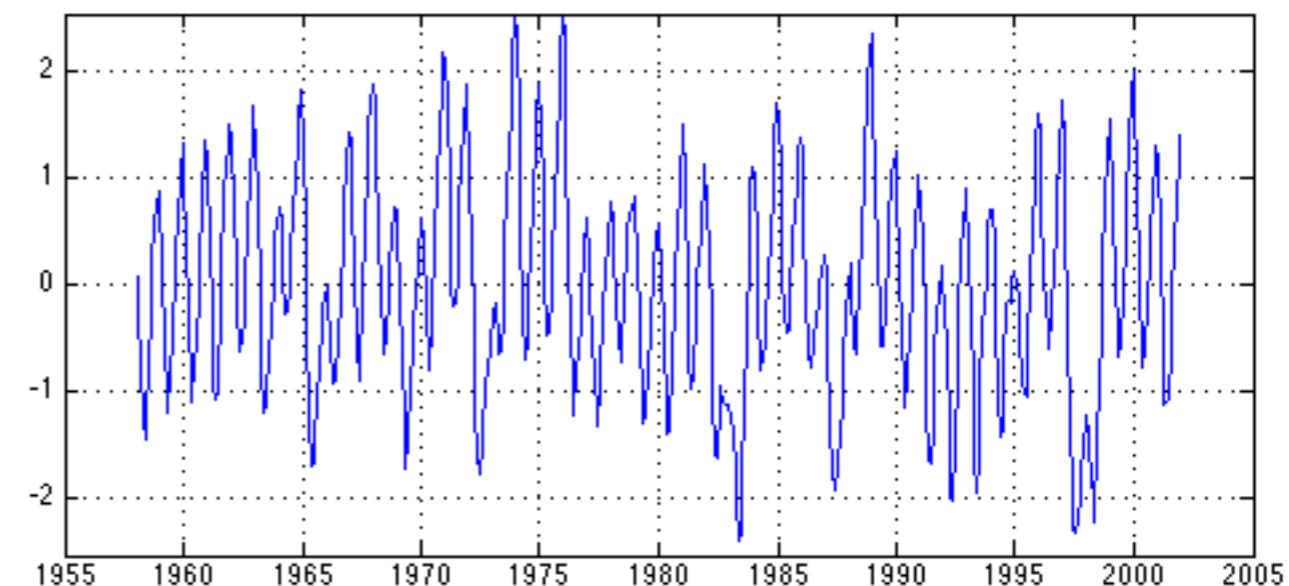
for all j's $X_j^k(t) = A_k(n)U_{jk}$ for k = 1

EOF2 “explains” 9% of the variance

First eigen vector U_2
or “EOF2” reorganized
into a map:

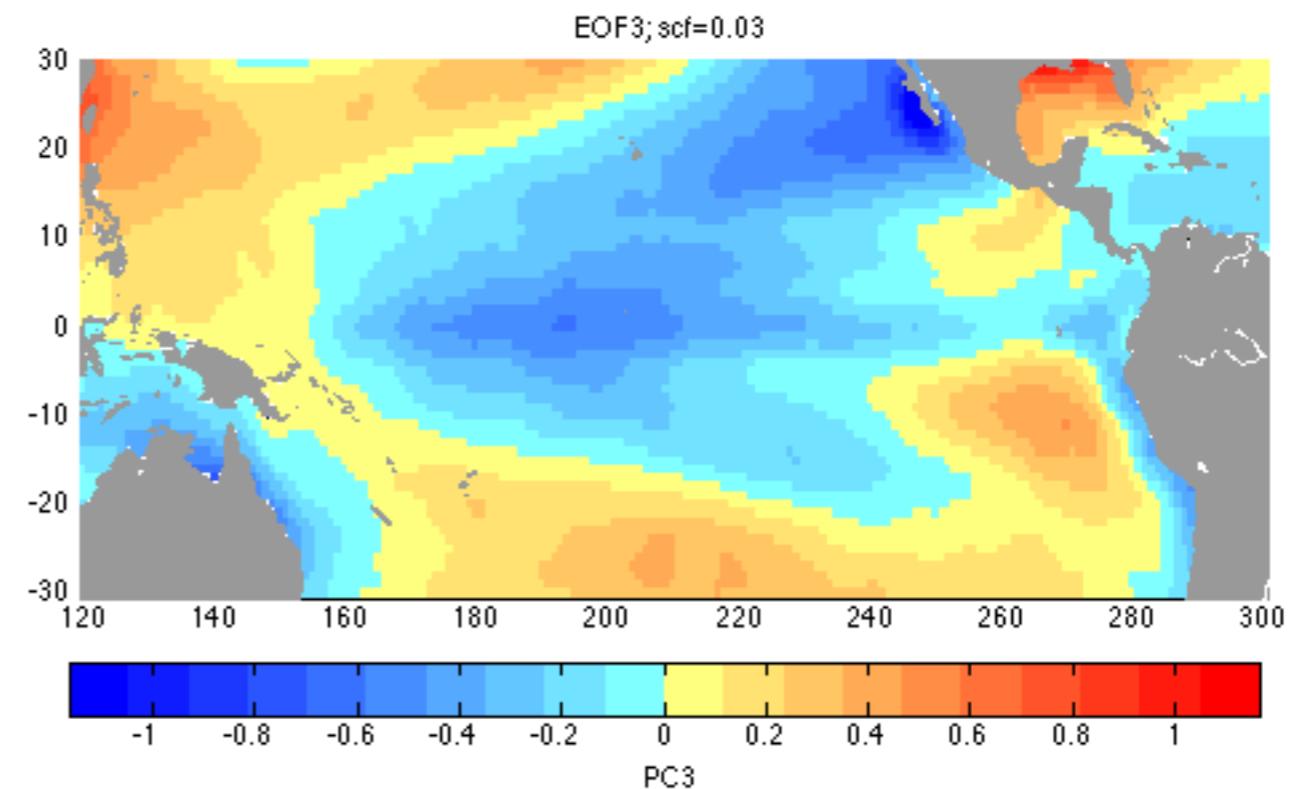


First principal component
time series (PC2)

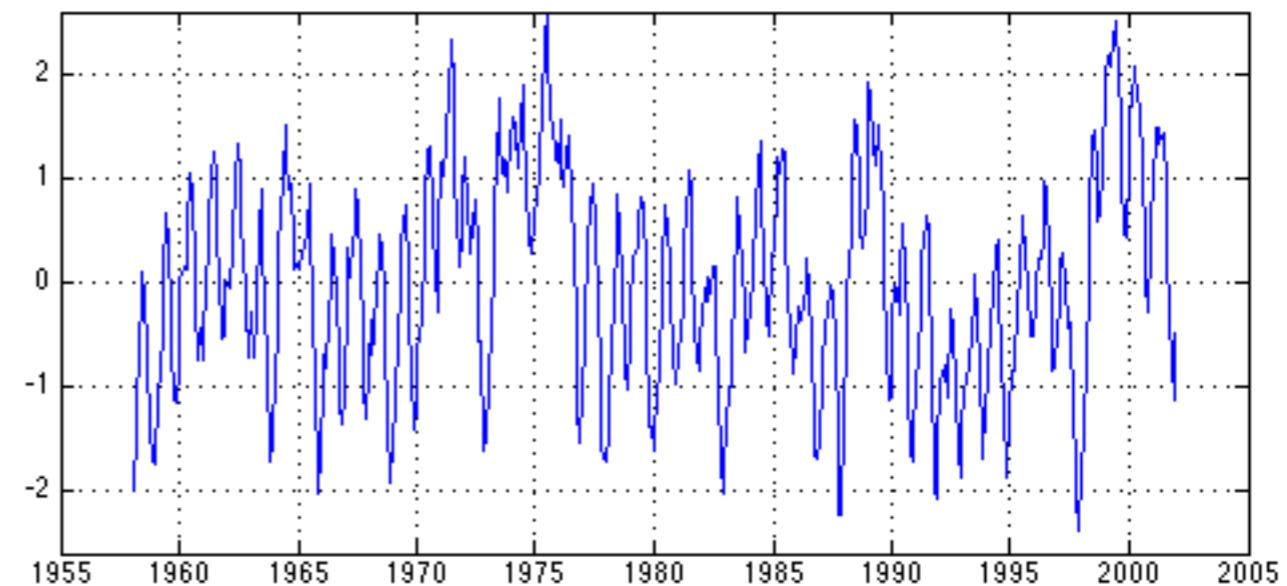


EOF3 “explains” 3% of the variance

First eigen vector U_3
or “EOF3” reorganized
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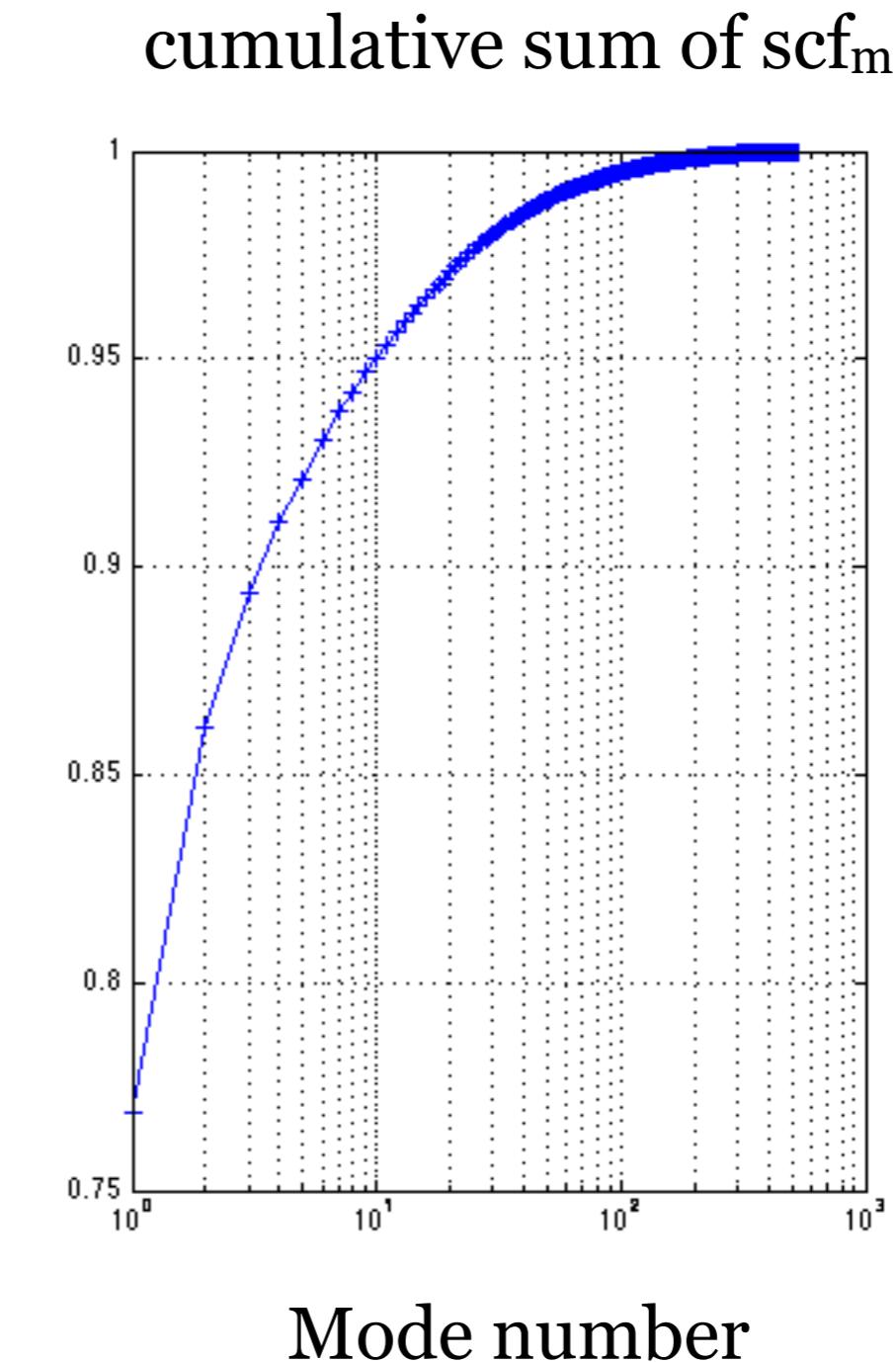
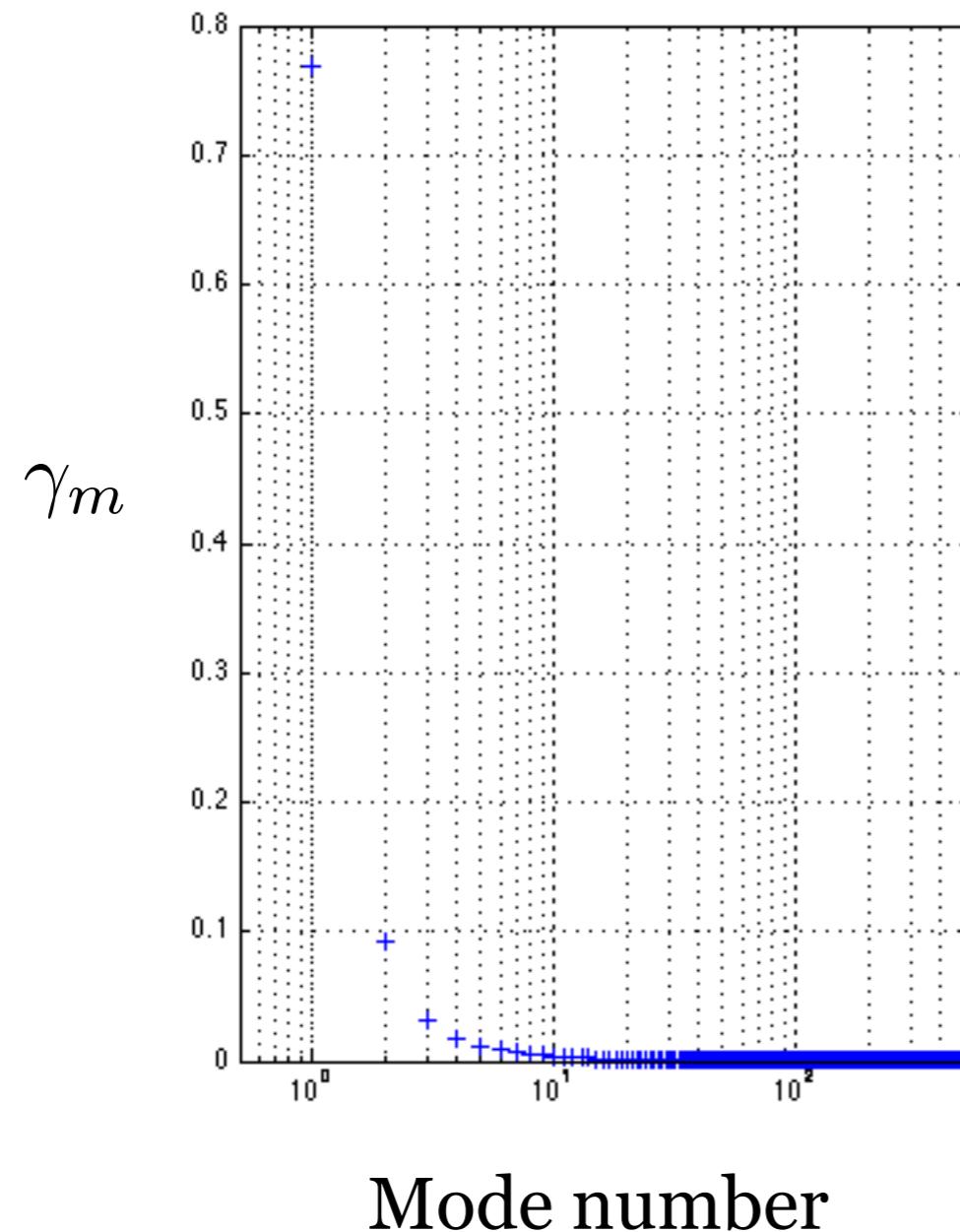
First principal component
time series (PC3)



How many EOFs do we need?

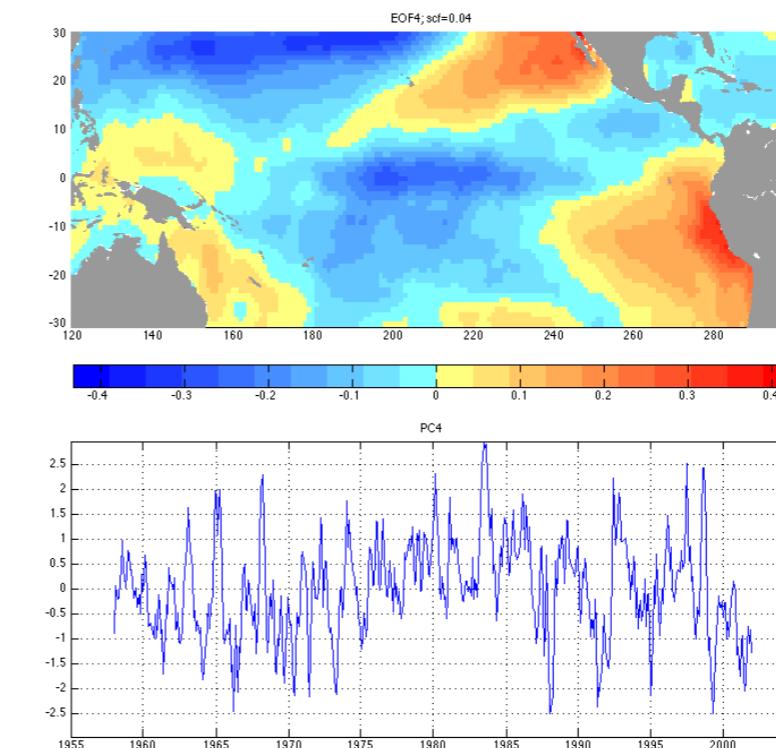
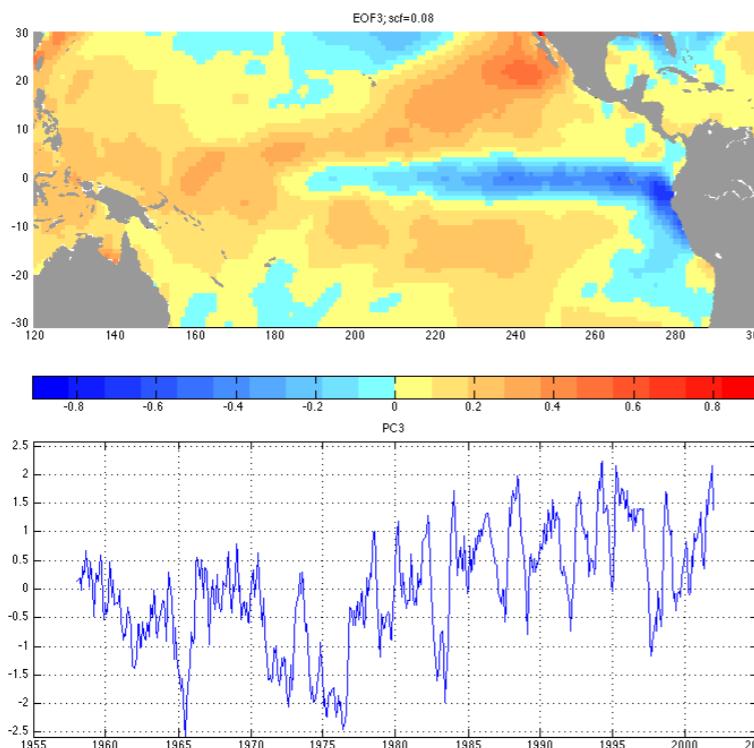
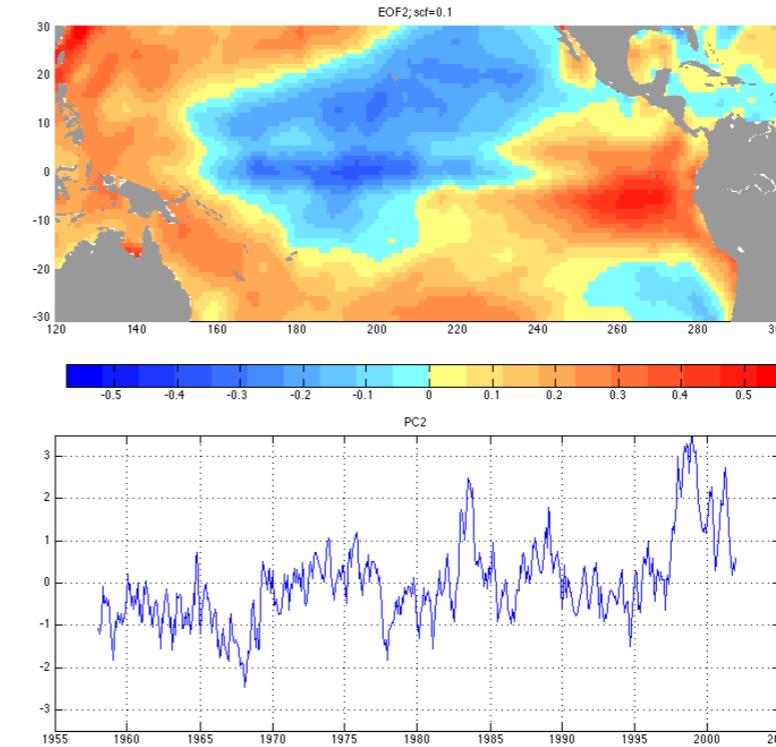
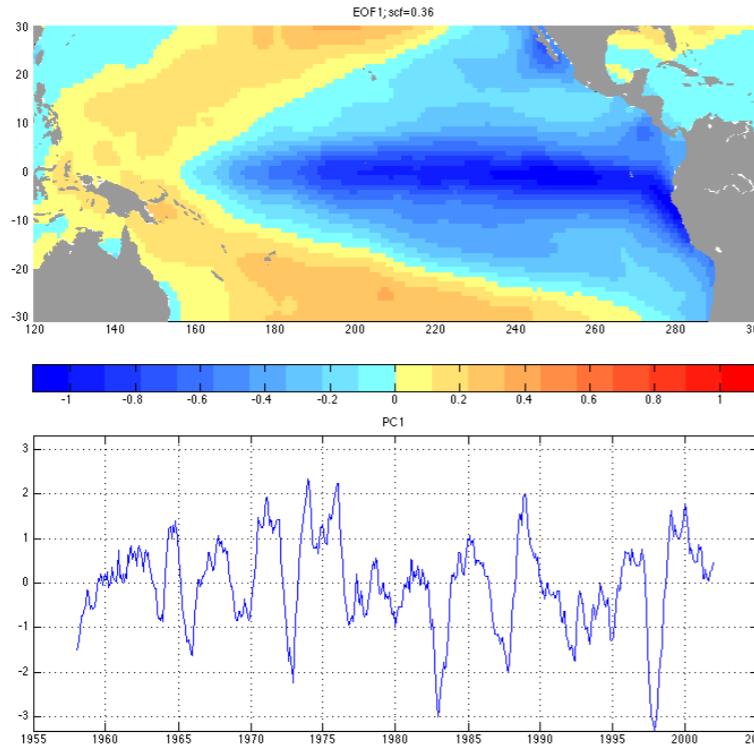
$$\text{scf}_m = \frac{\gamma_m}{\sum_{k=1}^P \gamma_k}$$

“fraction” of variance explained (<1)



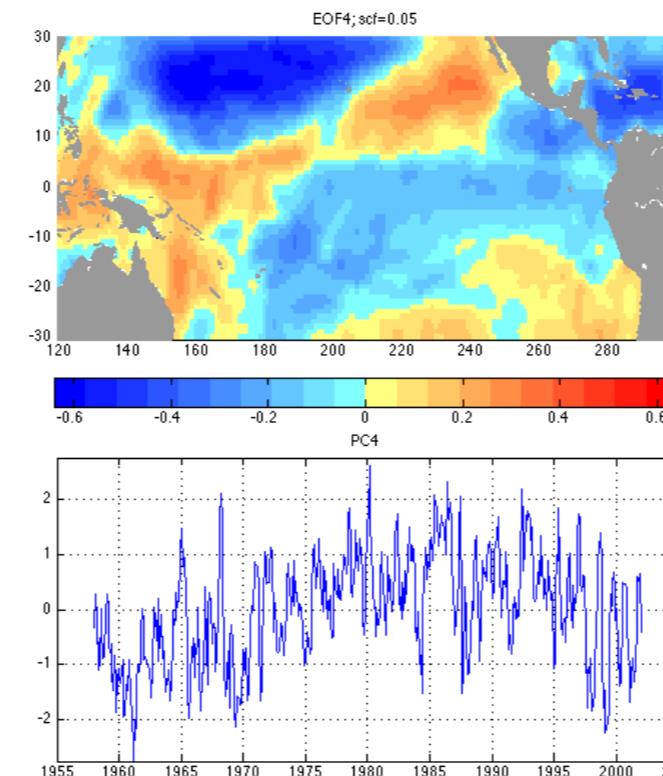
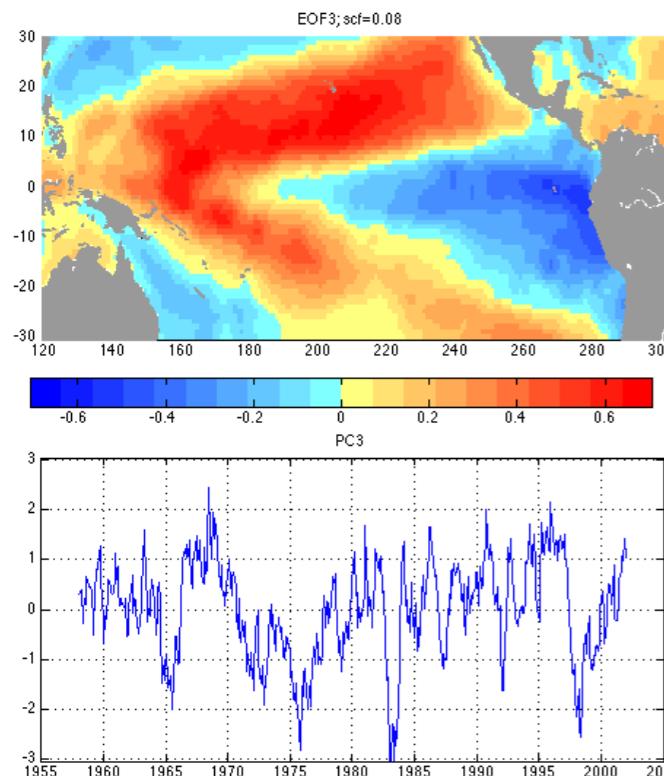
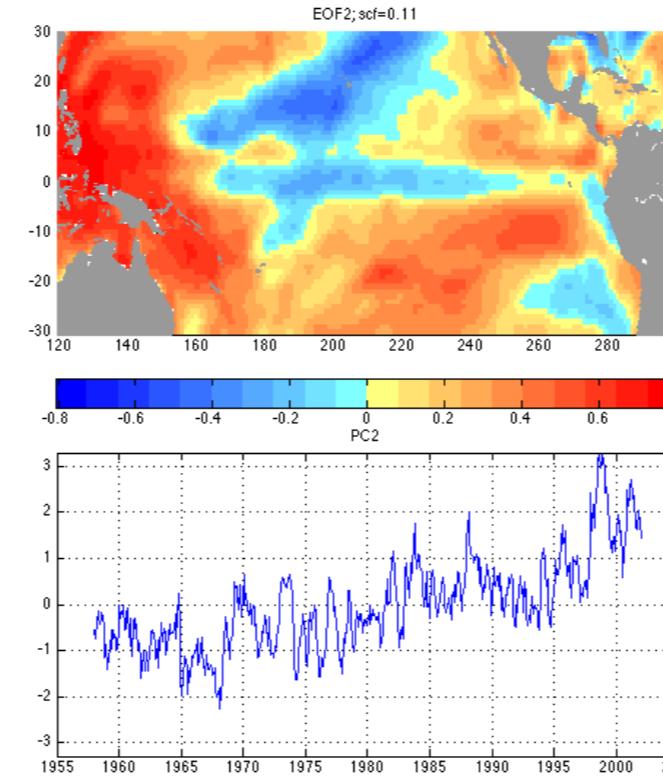
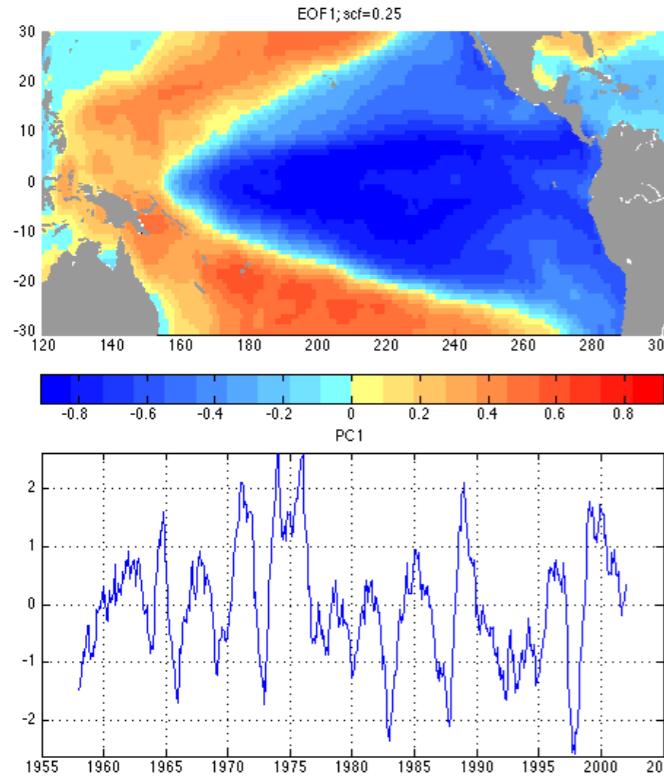
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EOF analysis of the same dataset after subtracting monthly averages (seasonal cycle)



There is not only one way of computing EOFs ...

EOF analysis of the same dataset after subtracting monthly averages (seasonal cycle)
AND normalizing, which means we decomposed correlation matrix instead of covariance matrix



$$\tilde{X}_k(n) = \frac{X_k(n)}{\sqrt{S_{X_k} X_k}}$$

How to do it in Matlab?

Do not use unknown “blackbox” code. Write your own, it takes a few lines. Really.

The not-so-efficient-way:

```
D; ← D is your data matrix ordered in columns
X = detrend(D,0); ← Remove the mean of each column
C = X'*X/(N-1); ← Calculate the covariance matrix
[U,G] = eig(C); ← Calculate the eigen decomposition
A = X*U; ← Calculate the Principal Components
```

Slightly better: calculate only the top 6 eigen values and vectors:

```
D;
X = detrend(X,0);
C = X'*X/(N-1);
[U,G] = eigs(C); ← Calculate only the 6 largest eigen values and vectors
A = X*U;
```

How to do it in Matlab?

The smart way: actually no need to compute the covariance matrix!

```
D;           D is your data matrix ordered in columns
X = detrend(D,0);      Remove the mean of each column
[P,L,Q] = svd(X);      Done! No kidding (almost). Q contains the eigen
A = P*L;              vectors in its columns.
G = ctranspose(L)*L;   That's the PCs in the columns
C = Q*ctranspose(L)*L*ctranspose(Q)/(N-1); That's the diagonal matrix with eigen values
                                                That's the covariance
                                                matrix, only if you want it.
```

Proof:

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$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{PLQ}^H$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{C}_{XX} &= \mathbf{X}^H \mathbf{X} / (N - 1) \\ &= (\mathbf{PLQ}^H)^H (\mathbf{PLQ}^H) / (N - 1) \\ &= \mathbf{QL}^H \mathbf{LQ}^H / (N - 1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{XX} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U} \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{C}_{XX} = \mathbf{U} \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \mathbf{U}^H$$

By identification:

$$\mathbf{U} \equiv \mathbf{Q}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma} \equiv \mathbf{L}^H \mathbf{L} / (N - 1)$$

Principal components are:

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{XU} = (\mathbf{PLQ}^H) \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{PL}$$

How to do it in Matlab?

The smartest way: In our example, $N = 528$ and $P = 9560$. With `svd.m`, Matlab will calculate 9560 eigen vectors ...

D; D is your data matrix ordered in columns with $N < P$

X = detrend(D,0); Remove the mean of each column

[Q,L,P] =svd(ctranspose(X),0); Calculate the “economy” SVD, i.e. N eigen vectors instead of P eigen vectors

Note! I exchanged the names!

Note! I calculate the SVD of the transpose

A = P*L; That's the PCs in the columns

G = ctranspose(L)*L; That's the diagonal matrix with eigen values

C = Q*ctranspose(L)*L*ctranspose(Q)/(N-1);

Proof: for you to do as a homework!

That's the covariance matrix, only if you want it.

What about “SVD analysis”?

“left” or “first” data matrix (e.g. SST)

$$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{X}_1 \ \mathbf{X}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{X}_P] = \begin{bmatrix} X_1(1) & X_2(1) & \cdots & X_P(1) \\ X_1(2) & X_2(2) & \cdots & X_P(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_1(N) & X_2(N) & \cdots & X_P(N) \end{bmatrix}$$

P locations

“right” or “second” data matrix (e.g.zonal wind stress)

$$\mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{Y}_1 \ \mathbf{Y}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{Y}_M] = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1(1) & Y_2(1) & \cdots & Y_M(1) \\ Y_1(2) & Y_2(2) & \cdots & Y_M(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ Y_1(N) & Y_2(N) & \cdots & Y_M(N) \end{bmatrix}$$

N times
M locations

Build $P \times M$ cross-covariance matrix:

$$\mathbf{C}_{XY} = \frac{1}{N-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}$$

$$c_{kn} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^N X_k Y_n$$

N times

SVD analysis (maximum covariance analysis)

$$\mathbf{C}_{XY} = \mathbf{U}\Lambda\mathbf{V}^H$$

SVD decomposition of cross covariance matrix; assume M<P

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} & \cdots & U_{1M} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} & \cdots & U_{2M} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ U_{P1} & U_{M2} & \cdots & U_{PM} \end{bmatrix}$$

M vectors

P locations

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{11} & V_{12} & \cdots & V_{1M} \\ V_{21} & V_{22} & \cdots & V_{2M} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ V_{M1} & V_{M2} & \cdots & V_{MM} \end{bmatrix}$$

M vectors

M locations

M “left singular vectors”

M “right singular vectors”

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_M \end{bmatrix}$$

M “singular values”

SVD analysis (maximum covariance analysis)

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{U} \quad \mathbf{A} \text{ contains the principal components for the left field}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{V} \quad \mathbf{B} \text{ contains the principal components for the right field}$$

Decompose your data matrices into P coupled modes:

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{U}^H$$

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^H$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^P \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{U}_k^H$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^P \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{V}_k^H$$

$$r_k = \frac{\mathbf{A}_k^H \mathbf{B}_k}{(\mathbf{A}_k^H \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{B}_k^H \mathbf{B}_k)^{1/2}}$$

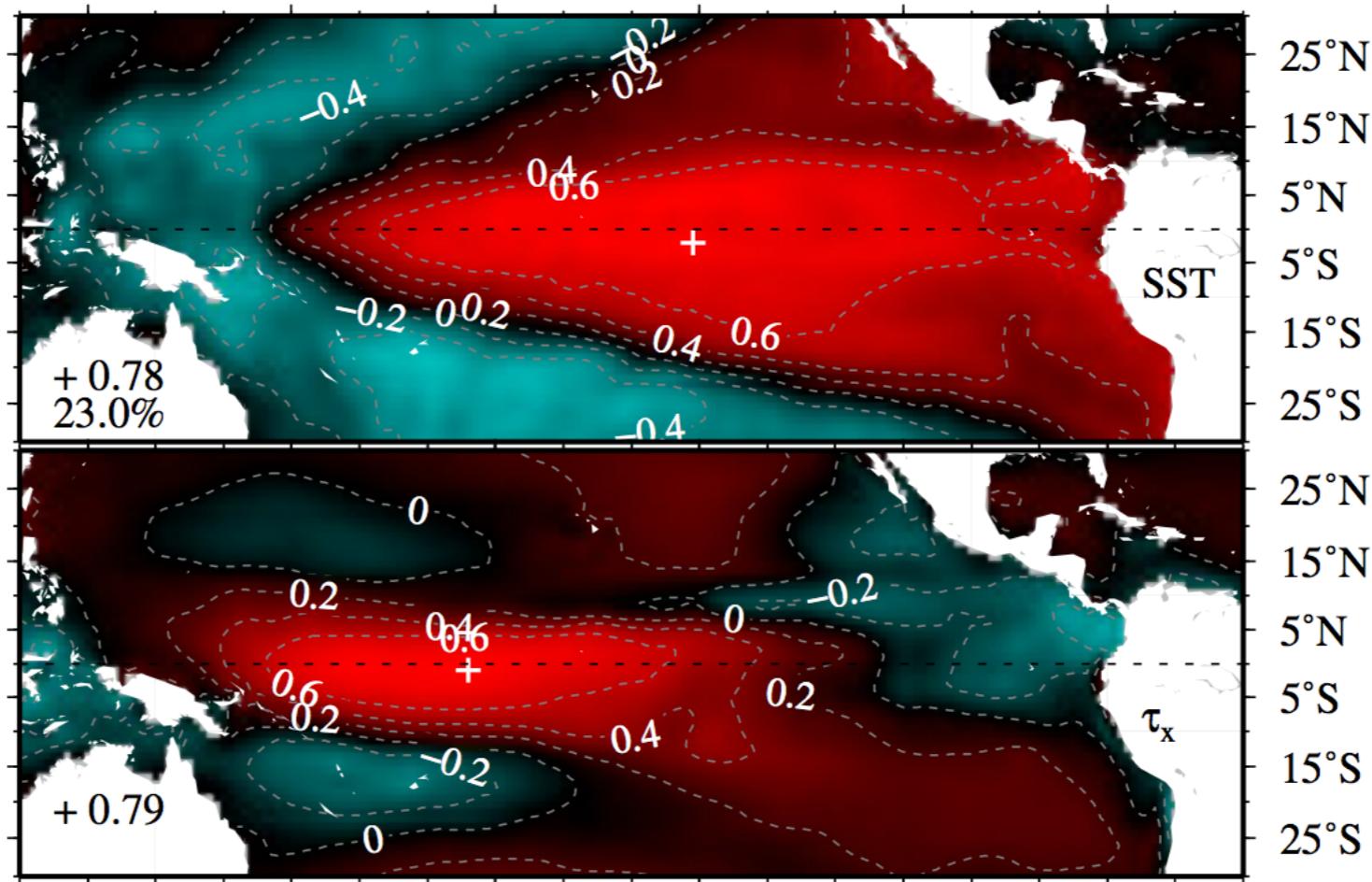
“coupling coefficient” : correlation between PC of left field and PC of right field

SVD analysis (maximum covariance analysis)

Example: SST (left field) and zonal wind stress (right field)

singular
vectors

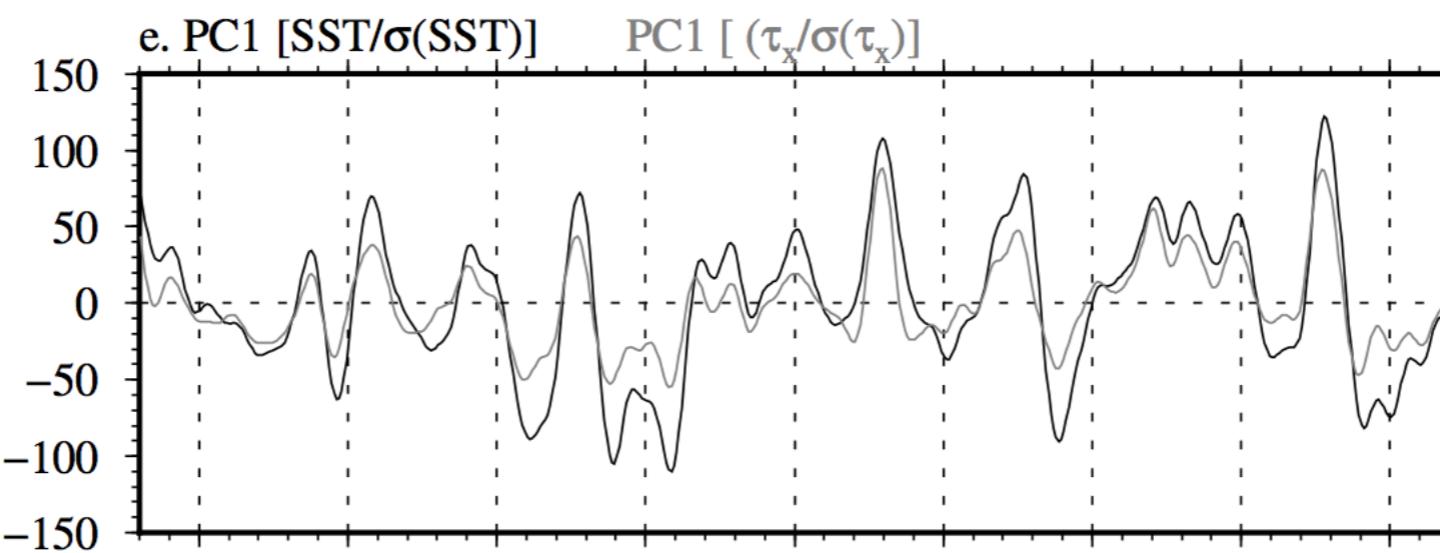
U_1



PC time
series

A_1

B_1



What I have not talked about:

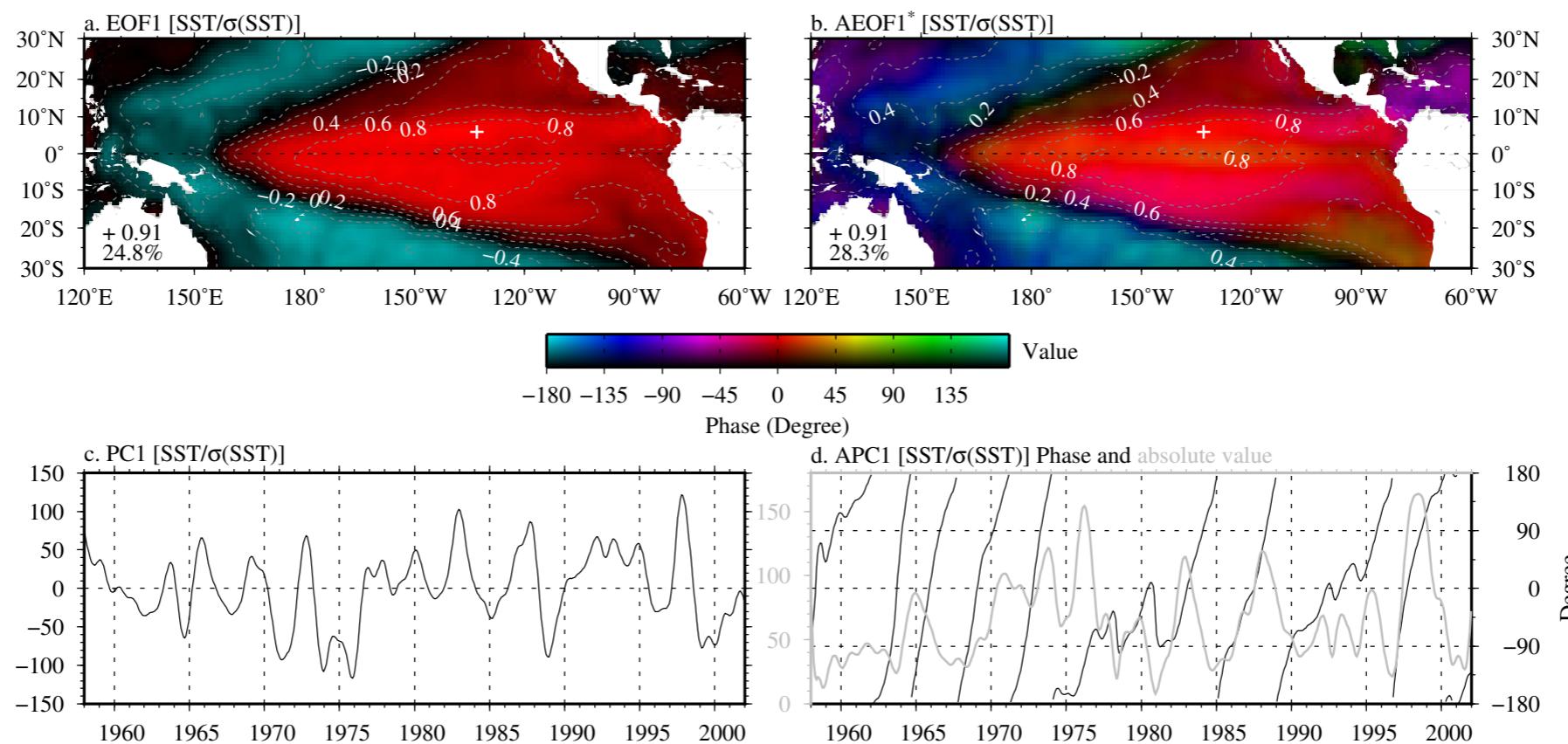
Significance!

- Eigen decomposition and singular value decomposition are mathematical operations on matrices: you will **ALWAYS** get something
- You need to evaluate or test for the statistical significance of your results (how? good question)
- Finally, and ideally, you need to be able to provide a physically-based interpretation of the EOF or SVD modes (example: orthogonality of modes is not physically motivated)

What I have not talked about:

Complex EOF (and complex SVD)

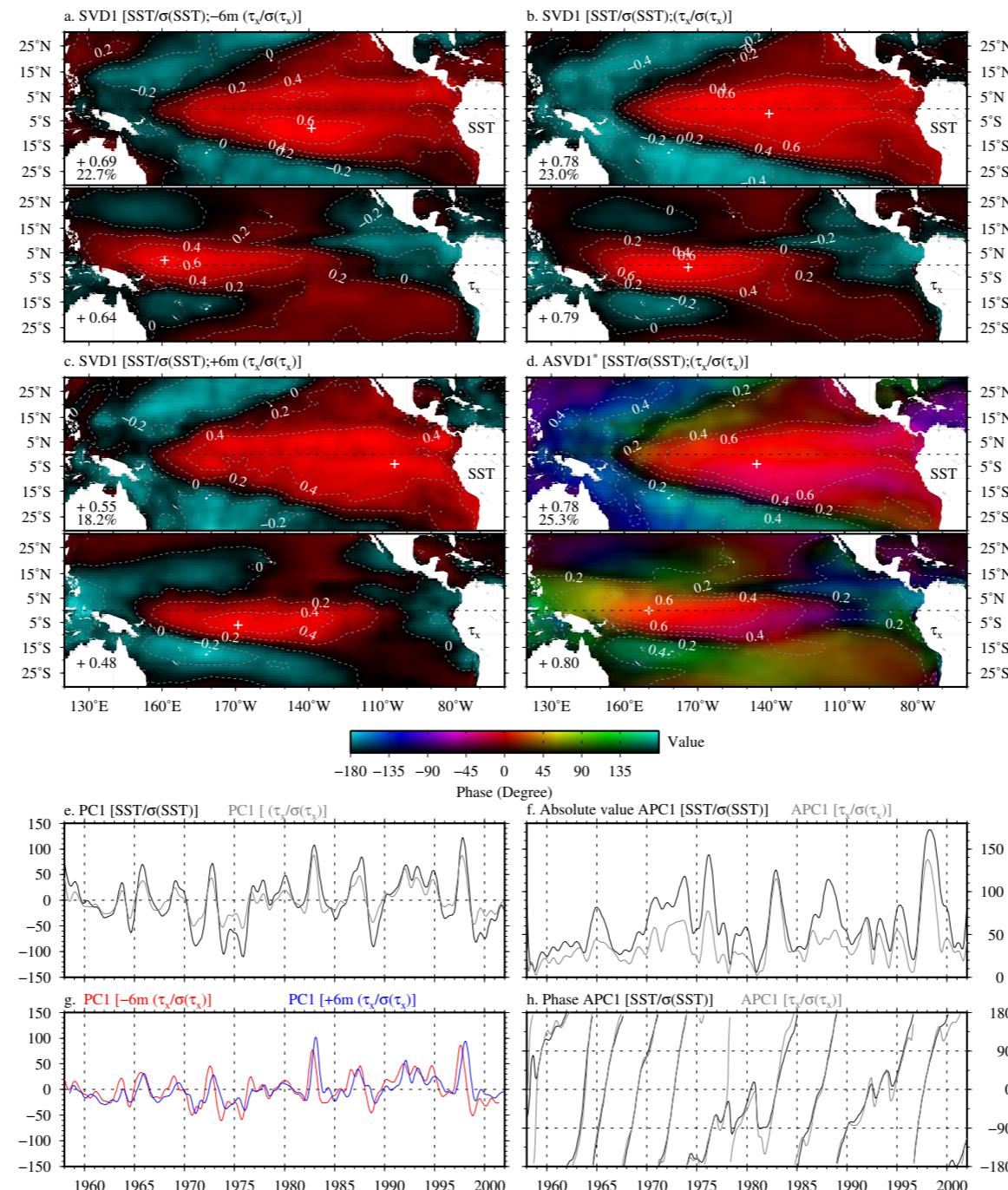
example: standard EOF vs “complex” EOF



What I have not talked about:

Lagged EOF (or lagged SVD)

example: lagged SVD vs “complex” SVD



Time for movies?

A few references, again!

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