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Introduction

The study of precipitation regimes forms a cornerstone of modern climate science, offering crucial insights into climate evolution and environmental dynamics. Recent technological advances, particularly NASA's Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) mission, have transformed our ability to study rainfall patterns.

Key Technological Developments:

- Advanced satellite remote sensing capabilities
- Multi-sensor data integration
- High-resolution temporal and spatial measurements

Introduction

- Precipitation data serve as a key input for climate models, helping to simulate atmospheric conditions and predict future climatic shifts.
- Hydrological assessments rely on precipitation patterns to model river discharge, groundwater recharge, and flood risks, essential for water resource management.
- Understanding extreme weather events, such as heavy rainfall and droughts, is crucial for improving early warning systems and mitigating natural disasters.

Dataset Overview

Key Highlights

- **Dataset Origin:** NASA's IMERG, based on GPM satellite constellation data.
- **Coverage:**
 - **Spatial:** Central Italy (10°E - 15°E, 41°N - 44°N).
 - **Temporal:** 2018–2023 (6 years).

Features

- High-resolution data: **0.1° x 0.1° spatial, 30-min temporal.**
- **Applications:** Analyzing seasonal variability, extreme weather events, and trends.
- Quality assured through calibration and error control.

Data Characteristics and Access

Characteristic	Description
Temporal Coverage	2018-2023 (6 years)
Spatial Domain	10°E-15°E longitude, 41°N-44°N latitude
Spatial Resolution	0.1° × 0.1° grid spacing
Temporal Resolution	30-minute intervals
Number of Observations	9,000 (1,500 per year)
Data Format	GeoTIFF files
Variables Recorded	Precipitation (mm)

Data Access

- Via **NASA Giovanni Portal**:
 - Visualization, extraction, and analysis.
 - Combines geophysical parameters.
 - Advanced quality control tools.

Data Analysis And Interpretation

- Dataset composed of 9000 samples
- Location: Central Italy (10°E-15°E longitude, 41°N-44°N latitude)
- Temporal Information
- 6 Fields: geographic coordinates (longitude, latitude), rainfall observations (mm), timestamps (start_date, end_date)

Preprocessing

- Data was preprocessed before being analyzed
- Invalid or Null measurements removed
- Remaining points were sorted in increasing order (from oldest to newest)
- Organized in a grid (1500 samples per year)

Dataset (precipitation_timeseries.csv)

longitude	latitude	precipitation	start_date	end_date	source_file
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Temporal Evolution Analysis

- Annual Patterns:

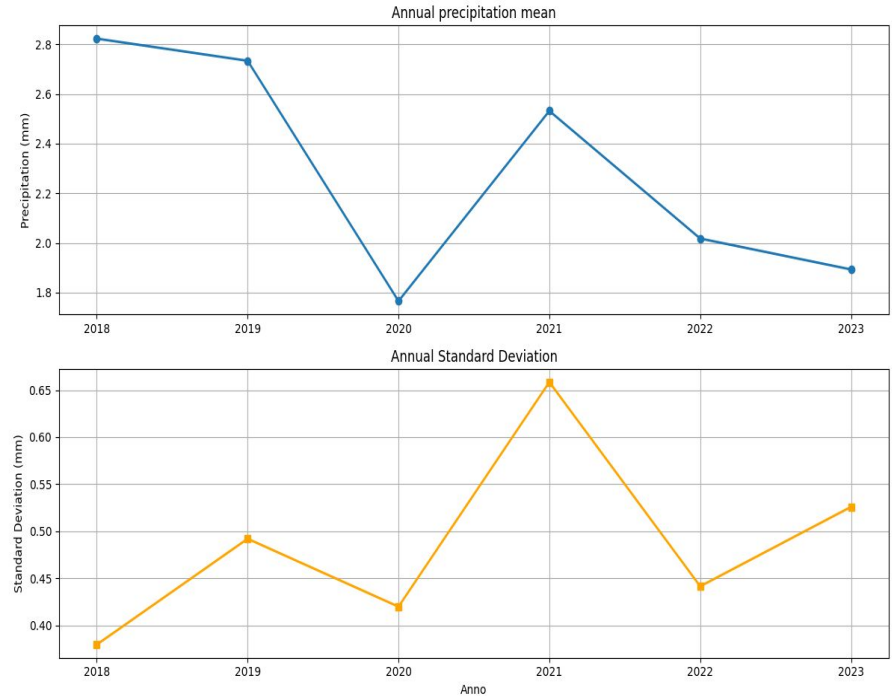
- Highest mean registered in 2018, (2.8mm)
- Lowest in 2020 (1.8mm)

$$\bar{x}_y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

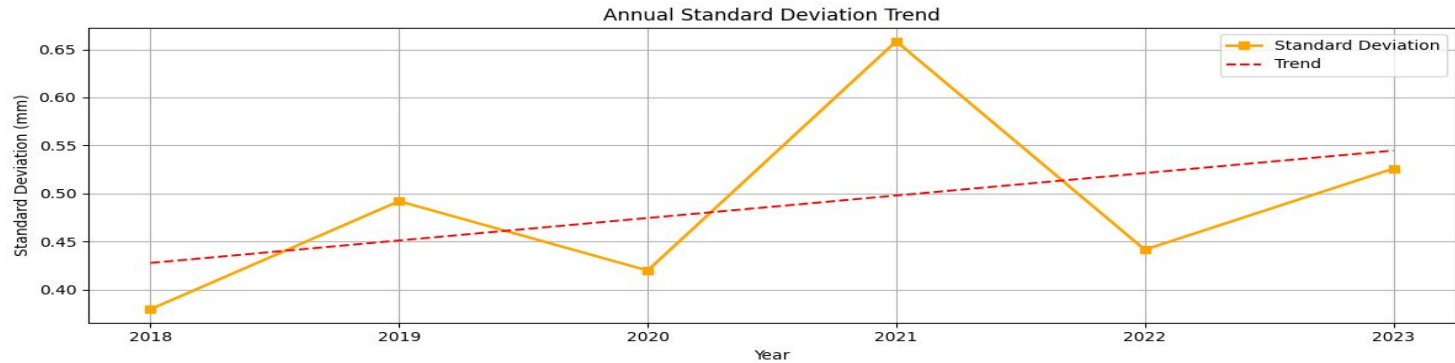
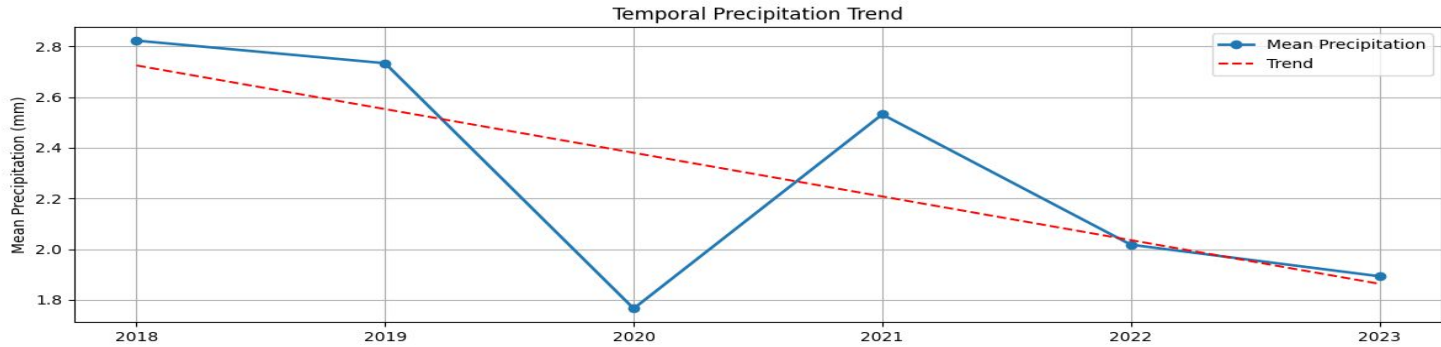
- Standard Deviation:

- Describe how much the precipitation samples vary from one to another
- Increasing Trend shows increased variability in precipitation in later years.

$$\sigma_y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_y)^2}$$



Temporal Trends



Spatial Analysis

- The study domain of the spatial analysis is described by

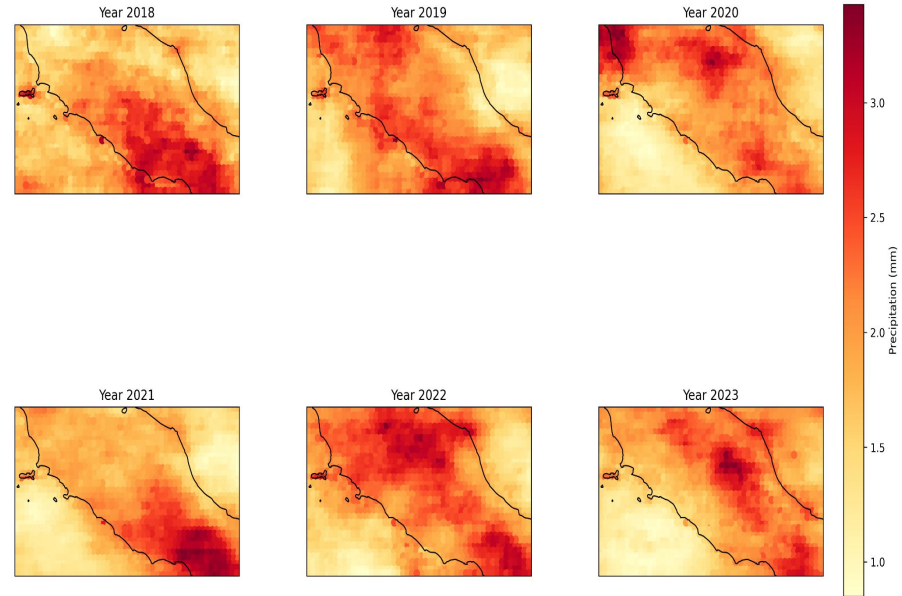
$$D = \{(lon, lat) \in R^2 : 10E \leq lon \leq 15E, 41N \leq lat \leq 44N\}$$

- The annual precipitation distribution analysis ranges from 0.75mm to 3mm

Spatial Analysis

- **Spatial Consistency:**
 - Persistent patterns in all of the region
 - Central-Eastern portion of the area of study shows higher precipitations
- **Temporal Evolution:**
 - distribution was fairly uniform in 2018, it increased in heterogeneity in the following years
- **Geographic Features:**
 - the precipitation patterns seem to follow the geographic features of the region

Yearly Precipitation Distribution



Topographic Influence

- 3d model emphasizes the interaction between the topography and the precipitation patterns.
- Diagonal trend with higher values residing in areas with increasing latitude and east longitude.

3D Precipitation Distribution (2018-2023 Average)

