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# What is functional data (FD)?

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Data that are in the form of functions of a continuous argument

## 1 Curves

- Data recorded continuously in time or other continuous argument (meteorology, biosciences, economics, chemometrics, electronic, ...)

## 2 Surfaces or hypersurfaces

- Functions of two or more variables as spatio-temporal data depending on time, latitude and longitude (environment, medicine, ....)

## 3 Multivariate functional data

- Vector of curves (biomechanics, environment, ...)

# COVID-19 data

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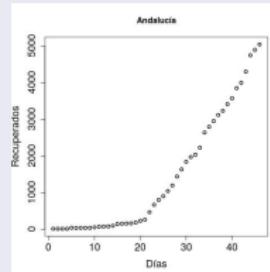
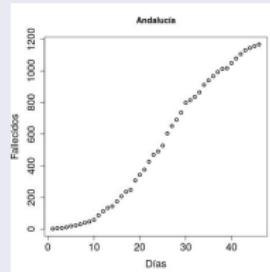
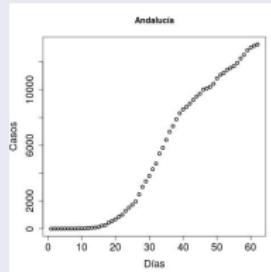
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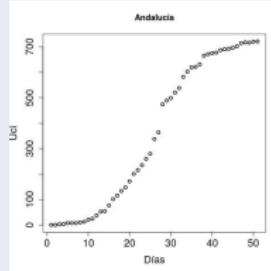
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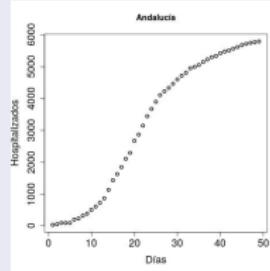
Cases of COVID-19 in Andalucía 20/02/2020 to 27/04/2020 (first wave)



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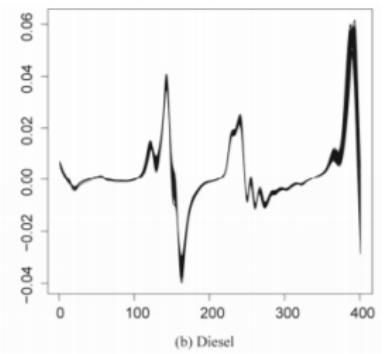
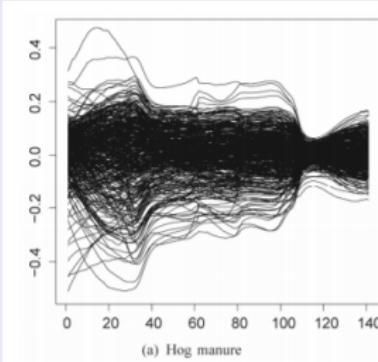
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## Hog manure and diesel

Absorbance spectra for samples of hog manure and diesel



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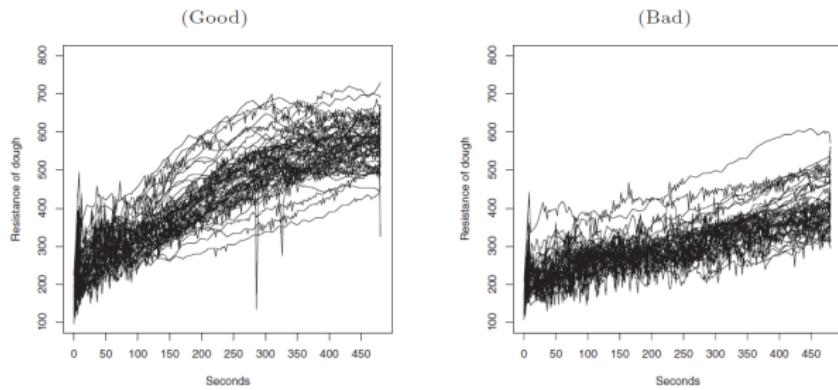
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## Kneading data

Curves of resistance of dough for 115 different flours registered every two seconds



# Meteorological data

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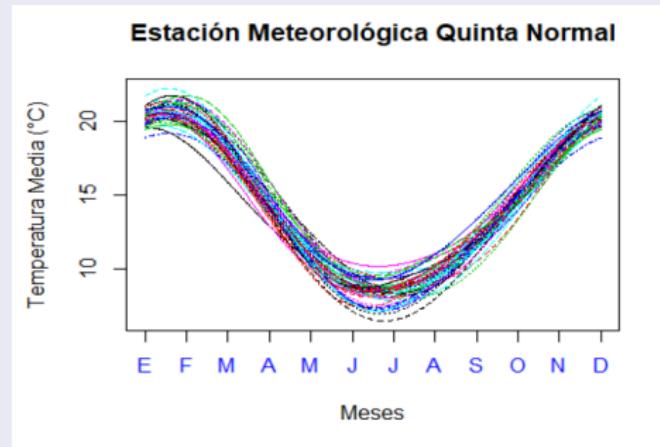
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## Chilean weather data

Monthly temperature curves for 46 years (1971-2017) observed at 15 Chilean weather station Quinta-Normal



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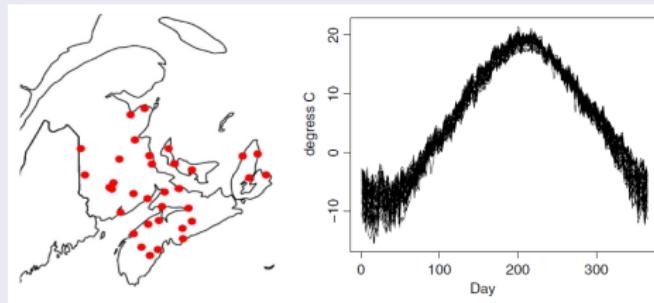
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## Canadian weather data

Averages (over 30 years) of daily temperature curves observed at 35 Canadian Maritime weather stations



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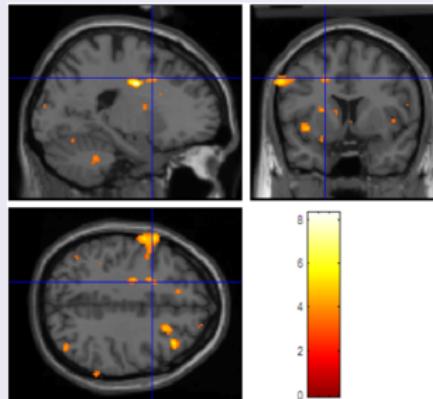
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## FMRI (functional magnetic resonance imaging)

- A 3-dimensional brain image has thousands of thousands of cubic volumes (voxels) and records the neural activity with high spatial resolution
- The activity level (signal amplitude) is represented by different colors (dark red areas: the most active; light yellow areas: less active; gray areas: very low activity)
- The signal amplitude is recorded over time at each voxel



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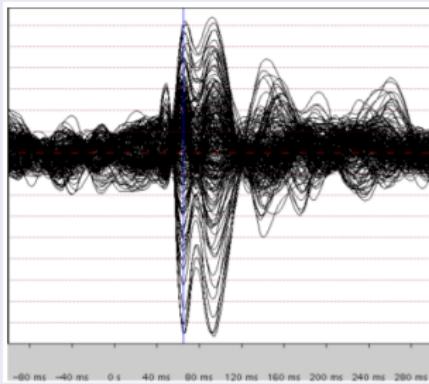
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## MEG (magneto-encephalography)

MEG can track the magnetic field accompanying synchronous neuronal activities with temporal resolution of millisecond level

Measures are taken over time by sensors outside of a patient



# EEG (electroencephalography)

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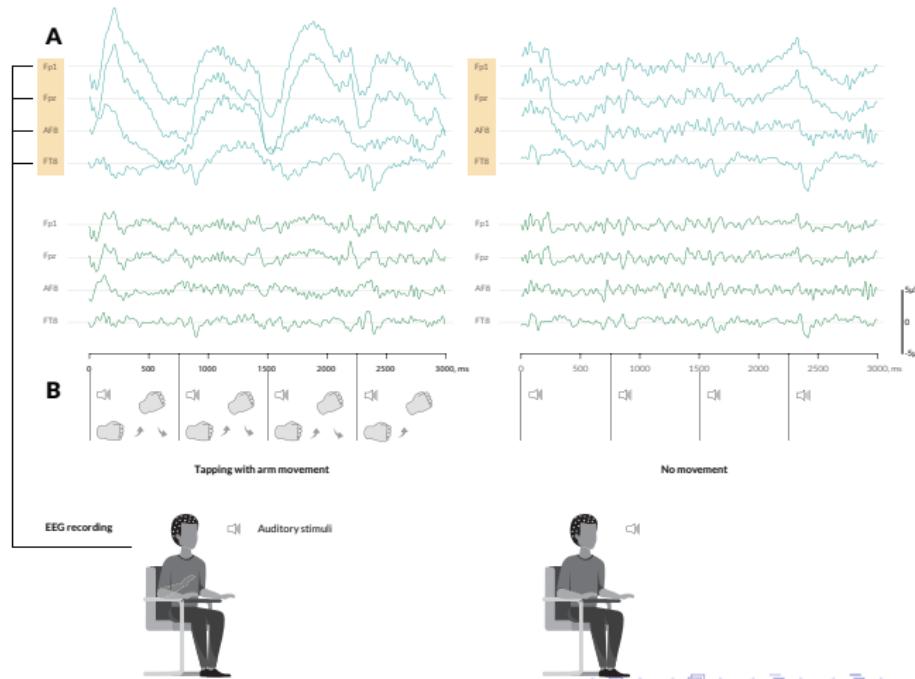
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EEG data recorded across different conditions from a single subject with a 64-channels eego mylab system (Art Science and Interaction Lab (ASIL) of Ghent University, Belgium)



# Biomechanics

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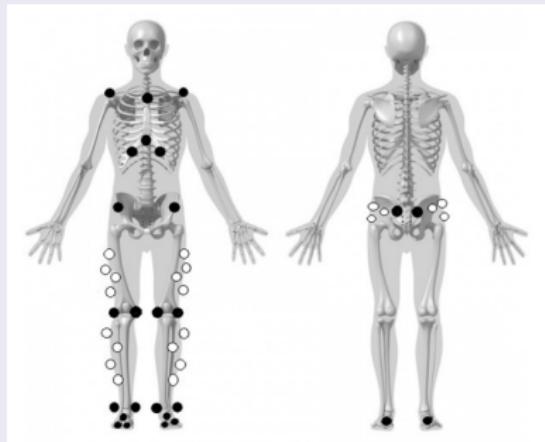
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Gait analysis: experimental study developed in the Sport and Health Institute of the University of Granada (IMUDS)

Motion is characterized by the angular position of the different parts of the body along the gait cycle (3D motion capture system (Qualisys AB, Goteborg, Sweden))



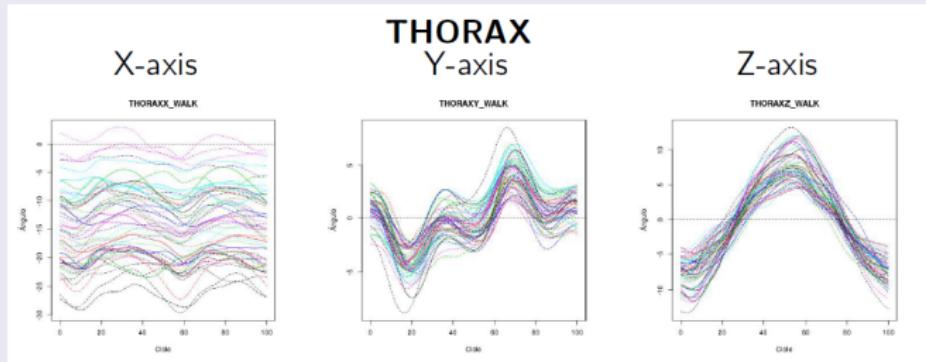
# Gait analysis

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Analyzing kinematics of children using trolleys or backpacks in their daily transportation to school with different loads

The flexion/extension (X-axis), adduction/abduction (Y-axis) and internal/external (Z-axis) rotation of thorax, pelvis, hip, knee and ankle were recorded walking over a platform (101 measurements)



# Electronics

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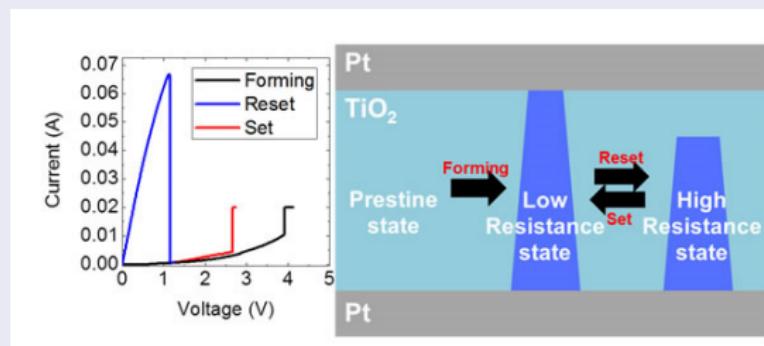
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Optimum design of resistive random access memories (RRAMs)  
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Institute of Microelectronics of Barcelona (IMB-CNM, CSIC)



- Two metal plates acting as electrodes with a dielectric in between
- The conductive filaments are formed (set) and destroyed (reset) within the resistive switching device operation
- Sample of current-voltage curves corresponding to the reset-set cycles

# Electronics: experimental data

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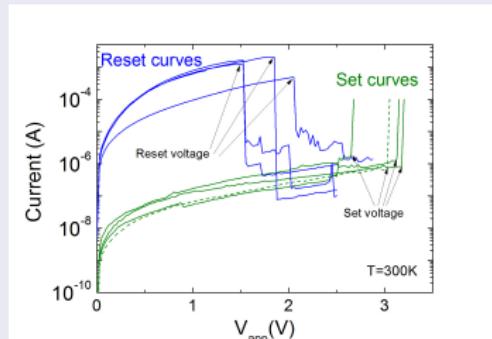
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## Variability in cycle-to-cycle change in the I-V curves



- Experimental current-voltage curves corresponding to several set-reset cycles. Although the voltage is negative, absolute values are considered for simplicity
- The reset points are determined by the sudden drop of the current (rupture of the conductive filament)
- The set points are characterized by the creation of the conductive filament

# Characteristics of Functional Data

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- Represent the evolution of a smooth process on a continuum
- The sample curves are observed at discrete time points that could be different among sample units
  - Dense (high frequency measurements)
  - Sparse (less frequent data )
- May be measured noisily an infrequently, but have enough data to estimate the underlying smooth process
- In many cases, functional data have high resolution and low noise
- The number of variables is much greater than the sample size (high dimensional data)

# What is functional data?

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- A functional random variable  $X$  takes values in a functional space  $H$
- The most usual functional data set is given by a sample of curves

$$\{x_i(t) : i = 1, \dots, n\}$$

obtained as realizations of a stochastic process  $\{X(t) : t \in T\}$

$$x(t) \in L_2(T) = \left\{ f : T \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} : \int_T f^2(t) dt < \infty \right\}$$

the usual inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_T f(t) g(t) dt, \forall f, g \in L^2(T)$

- The metric is fundamental for FDA techniques and must be consistent with the data
- $H$ : Hilbert space with scalar product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and norm  $\|f\|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle$   
Example:  $\langle f, g \rangle_\lambda = \langle f, g \rangle + \lambda \langle D^2(f), D^2(g) \rangle$

# What is functional data analysis (FDA)?

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Statistical techniques for describing and modeling functional data

## Goals

- To estimate the true functional form from noisy and discrete observations
- To display the data to highlight relevant characteristics
- To study important sources of pattern and variation among the data
- To model relationship of functional data to other related variables
- To study relationships between derivatives of the functions

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# From Discrete to Functional Data

Represent data recorded at discrete times as a continuous function

- Allow evaluation of the curve at any time point
- Evaluate rates of change
- Reduce noise
- Allow registration onto a common time-scale

Basis-expansion methods

$\{\phi_j(t)\}_{j=1,\dots,\infty}$  basis of the functional space  $H = L^2[T]$

$$x_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_{ij} \phi_j(t)$$

- Polynomials (unstable)
- Fourier or Trigonometric (periodic curves)
- B-splines (smooth curves)
- Wavelets (curves with discontinuities and sharp spikes)



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$$x_i = \sum_{j=1}^K a_{ij} \phi_j = \phi^T a_i$$

$$\phi = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_K)^T; a_i = (a_{i1}, \dots, a_{iK})^T$$

## Problem

Estimating basis coefficients from discrete observations  $y_{ik}$  of  $\{x_i(t) : i = 1, \dots, n; t \in T\}$  at time points  $\{t_{ik} : k = 1, \dots, m_i\}$

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## Solution

- Noisy data:  $y_{ik} = x_i(t_{ik}) + \varepsilon_{ik} \implies$  Least squares smoothing by penalizing the roughness of the curve minimizing

$$\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} (y_{ik} - x_i(t_{ik}))^2 = (y_i - \Phi_i a_i)^T (y_i - \Phi_i a_i)$$

$$y_i = (y_{i1}, \dots, y_{im_i}); \Phi_i = (\phi_j(t_{ik}))_{m_i \times K}$$

- Data without error:  $y_{ik} = x_i(t_{ik}) \implies$  Interpolation (spline cúbica, ...)

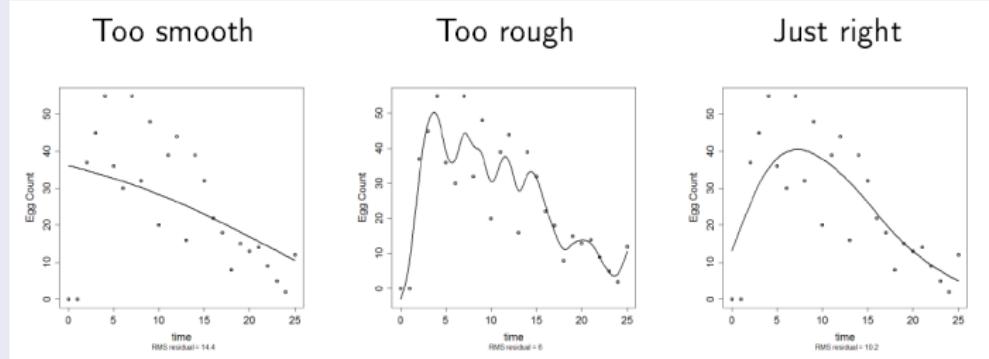
# What is smoothness?

Eliminate small wiggles and retain the true shape

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- **Roughness measure:**  $Lx(t)$  ( $x$  is smooth if  $Lx(t) = 0$ )
- **Examples:**
  - Curvature:  $Lx(t) = D^2x(t)$   $\Rightarrow$  straight lines are smooth
  - Harmonic acceleration:  $Lx(t) = w^2Dx(t) + D^3x(t)$   $\Rightarrow$  sinusoid functions  $\cos(wt)$  and  $\sin(wt)$  are smooth
- **Total size of roughness:**  $\int_T [Lx(t)]^2 dt$



# Penalized smoothing

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- **Noisy data:**  $y_{ik} = x_i(t_{ik}) + \varepsilon_{ik}$

- Penalizing the roughness of the curve by minimizing

$$\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} (y_{ik} - x_i(t_{ik}))^2 + \lambda \int_T (Lx_i(t))^2 dt = (y_i - \Phi_i a_i)^T (y_i - \Phi_i a_i) + \lambda a_i^T P_d a_i$$

$$y_i = (y_{i1}, \dots, y_{im_i}); \Phi_i = (\phi_j(t_{ik}))_{m_i \times K}$$

$Lx_i(t)$  measures roughness of  $x_i$ ,  $\lambda$  a smoothing parameter

$P_d = (\langle L\phi_j, L\phi_k \rangle)$  penalty matrix

## Two main problems

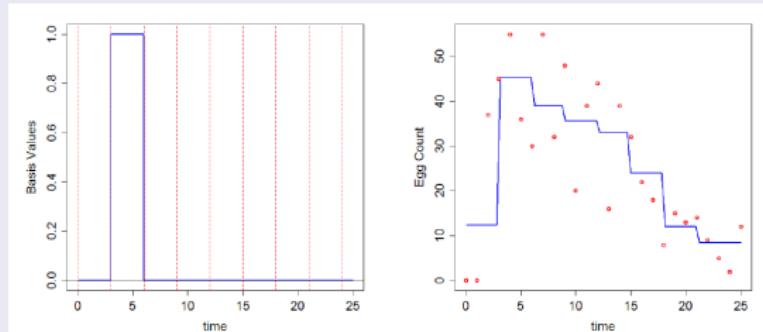
- Choosing an appropriate basis
- Selecting the dimension of the basis and the smoothing parameters (leave-one-out cross-validation, generalized cross-validation, ...)

# B-spline bases (de Boor, 2001)

- Splines are polynomial segments (order  $m$ ) constrained to be smooth at the joins (knots) (continuous derivatives up to order  $m-2$ )
- Basis defined by the order  $m$  (order = degree+1) of the polynomial and the location of the knots  
(dimension = order + number interior knots)

Eggs laid from 789 medflies during the first 25 days of their lives

Medfly data with knots every 3 days (Carey et al., 1998)  
(Splines of order 1: piecewise constant, discontinuous)

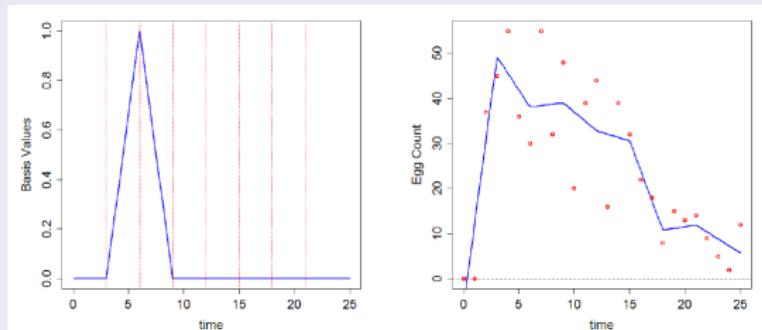


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(Splines of order 2: piecewise linear, continuous )

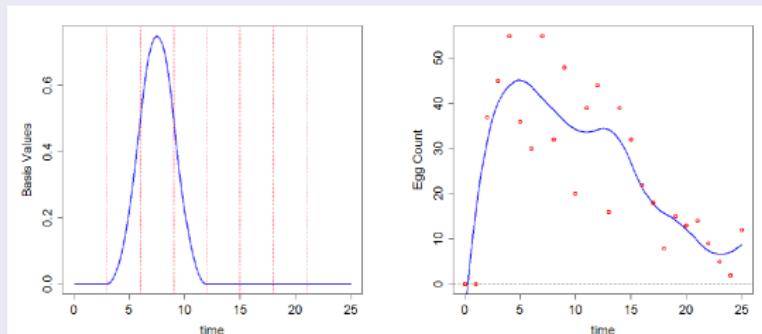


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(Splines of order 3: piecewise quadratic, continuous derivatives)

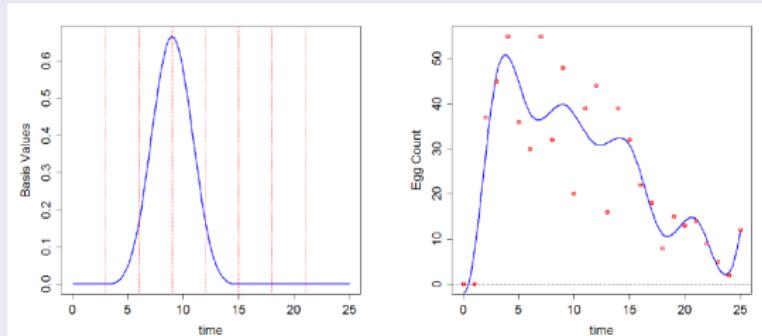


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Medfly data with knots every 3 days (Carey et al., 1998)  
(Splines of order 4: piecewise cubic, continuous 2nd derivatives)



# B-spline smoothing

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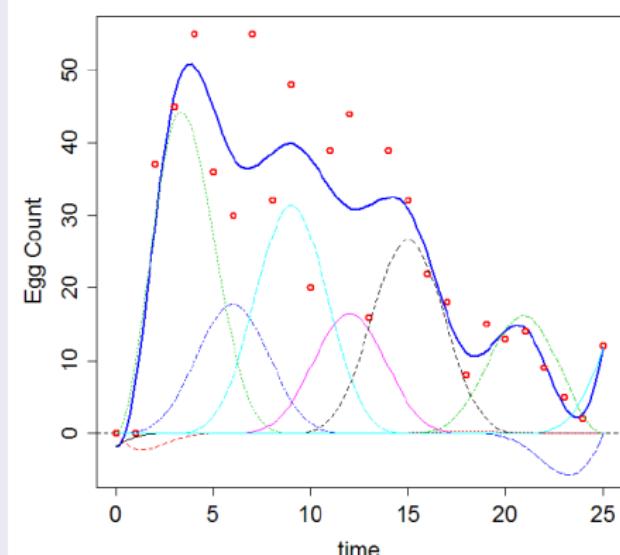
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Example of basis expansions with cubic B-splines for egg count of a medfly



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- **Regression splines:** Least squares smoothing without penalty (De Boor, 1977) ( $\lambda = 0$ )
- **Smoothing splines:** Penalized least squares smoothing based on d-order derivatives(O'Sullivan 1986)

$$P_d = \left( \int_T D^d \phi_j(s) D^d \phi_k(s)' ds \right)$$

- **Penalized splines:** Penalized least squares smoothing based on d-order differences (P-splines) (Eilers y Marx, 1996)

$$P_d = (\Delta^d)' \Delta^d$$

(Operador de diferencias de orden d  $\Delta^d$ )

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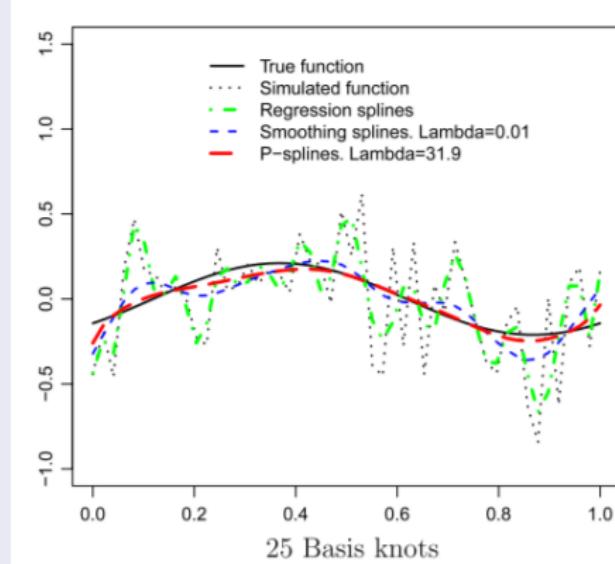
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Comparative study (Aguilera et al., 2013)



Regression splines (green), smoothing splines (blue) and P-splines (red)  
with 25 basic knots

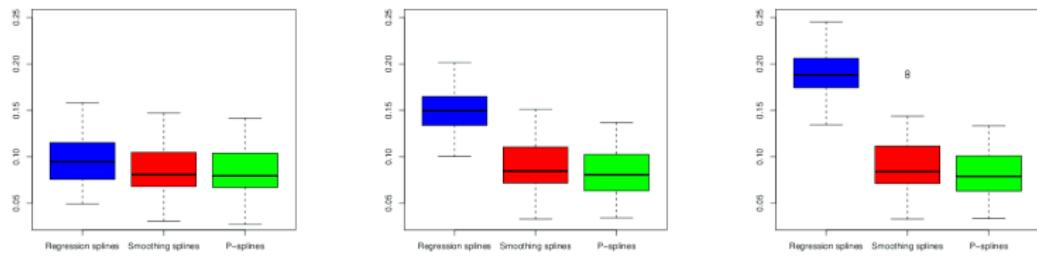
# B-spline expansions

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Mean square error for 100 curves approximated with regression splines (blue), smoothing splines (red) and P-splines (green) with 5, (left) 15 (center) and 25 (right) knots



## Advantages of P-splines(Aguilera et al., 2013)

- Provide the lowest approximation errors
- Less numerical complexity and computational cost
- The choice and position of knots is not determinant so that it is sufficient to choose a relatively large number of equally spaced basis knots (Ruppert et al., 2003)

# Kneading data

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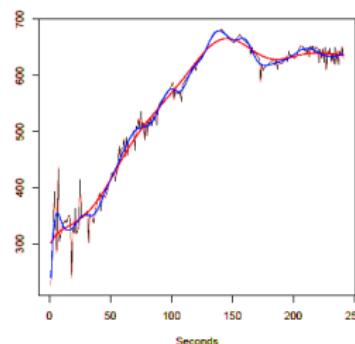
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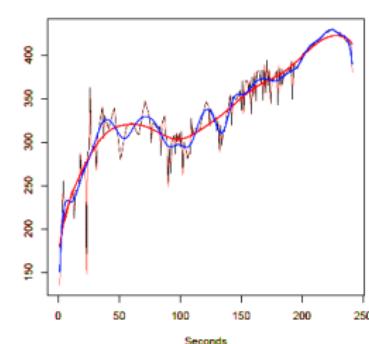
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## Curves of resistance of dough during the kneading process

Good



Bad



Original sample curve (brown), regression splines (blue), and P-spline approach (red) of a sample curve for good flour (left) and bad flour (right)

# Weather curves: B-spline interpolation

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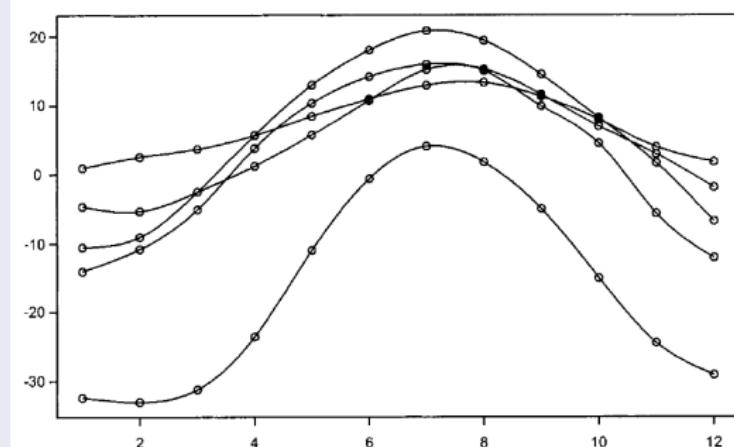
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Quasi-natural cubic spline interpolation of curves of monthly temperatures in Celsius degrees used to predict the risk of drought (Escabias et al, 2005)



# Fourier basis

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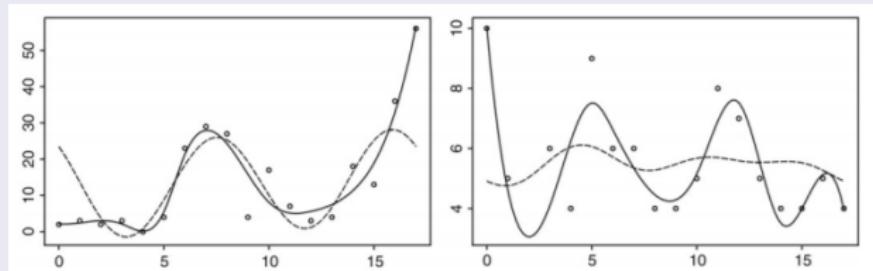
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## Sine and cosine functions of increasing frequency

$$\phi_0(t) = 1, \phi_{2j-1}(t) = \sin\left(\frac{2\pi jt}{T}\right), \phi_{2j}(t) = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi jt}{T}\right) \quad j = 1, \dots$$



Least squares approximations of stress level curves obtained with Fourier (broken line) and B-spline (solid line) bases and discrete-time observations (points) (Aguilera et al., 2008)

# Wavelets bases

Dilations and translations of the mother and father functions  $\phi$  and  $\psi$

$$\phi_{j,k}(t) = 2^{j/2} \phi(2^j t - k) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_{j,k}(t) = 2^{j/2} \psi(2^j t - k)$$

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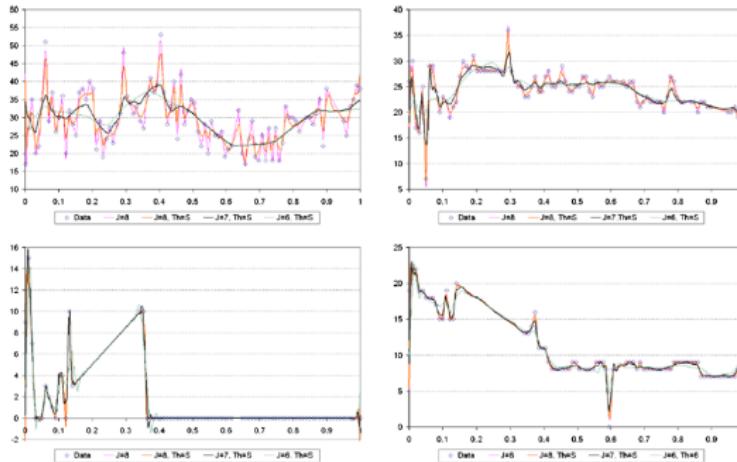
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Curves of stress (left) and lupus (right): wavelet projection (Symmlet 4 family, resolution level  $J=8$ ) (pink), smoothing with soft thresholding  $J=8$  (red),  $J=7$  (black) and  $J=6$  (blue) (Aguilera et al., 2015)

# Descriptive analysis of functional data

Sample of curves from  $X : \{x_i(t) : t \in T, i = 1, \dots, n\}$

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## ■ Mean function

$$\bar{x}(t) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(t)$$

## ■ Variance function

$$Var_X(t) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i(t) - \bar{x}(t))^2$$

## ■ Covariance function

$$Cov_X(t, s) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i(t) - \bar{x}(t))(x_i(s) - \bar{x}(s))$$

## ■ Correlation function

$$Corr_X(t, s) = \frac{Cov_X(t, s)}{\sqrt{Var_X(t)Var_X(s)}}$$



# FCCA Chilean temperatures and precipitations

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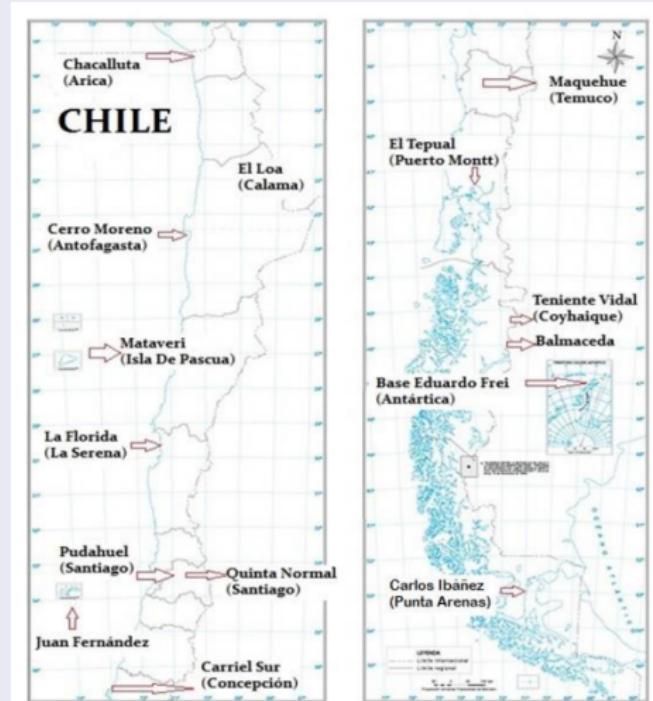
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## Chilean map



# Temperatures for 15 Chilean stations

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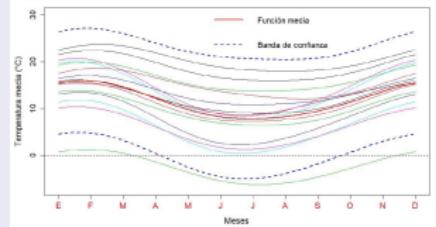
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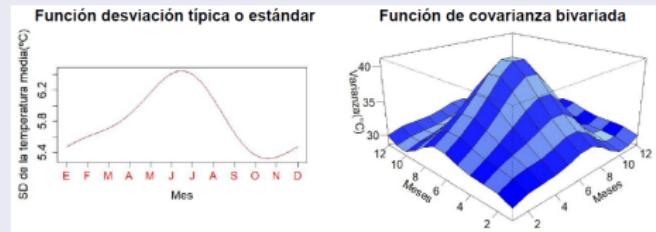
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## Mean curve and point-wise confidence bands



## Standard deviation curve and covariance surface



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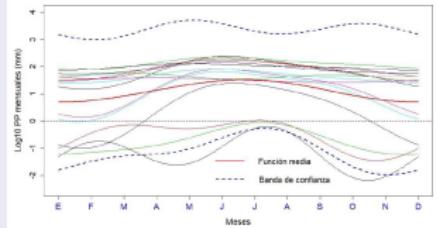
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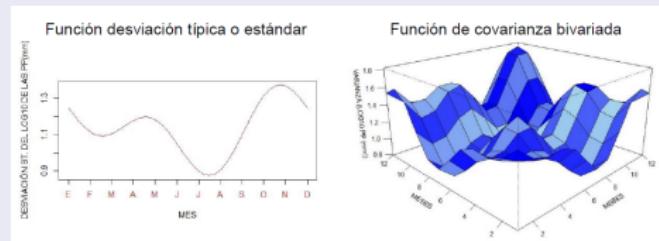
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Pairs of curves sampled from  $(X, Y) : \{(x_i(t), y_i(t)) : t \in T, i = 1, \dots, n\}$

- Cross covariance function

$$Cov_{X,Y}(t, s) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i(t) - \bar{x}(t))(y_i(s) - \bar{y}(s))$$

- Cross correlation function

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**Objective:** dimension reduction by uncorrelated linear combinations with maximum variance

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## Multivariate PCA

- Vector of  $p$  variables

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- $z = \sum_j v_j X_j$

- Covariance matrix  $\Sigma$

- Eigen-decomposition

$$\Sigma = V \Delta V^T = \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j v_j v_j^T$$

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## Functional PCA

- Functional var. on  $L^2(T)$

$$X = \{X(t) : t \in T\}$$

- $z = \int_T f(t) X(t) dt$

- Covariance surface  $C(t,s)$

- Eigen-decomposition

$$Cov(t, s) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j f_j(t) f_j(s)$$

- $\int_T f_i(t) f_j(t) dt = \delta_{ij}$

# Functional Principal Component Analysis (FPCA)

- Functional variable  $X$  with sample functions in  $L_2(T)$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_T f(t)g(t)dt$$

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Explained variance  $V^q = \left( \sum_{j=1}^q \lambda_j \right) / \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i \right)$

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- FPCA of basis expansions  $\Leftrightarrow$  Multivariate PCA of matrix  $A\Psi^{1/2}$  (Ocaña et al., 2007)

$$x_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^K a_{ij} \phi_j(t)$$

- $A$  matrix of basic coefficients  $A = (a_{ij})_{i=1,\dots,n; j=1,\dots,K}$
- $\Psi$  matrix of inner products  $(\langle \phi_j, \phi_k \rangle_{L^2(\mathcal{T})})_{j,k=1,\dots,K}$

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## ■ Hybrid FPCA (Silverman, 1996)

Generalized linear combinations with maximum variance restricted to orthonormality of weight functions with the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_\lambda = \langle f, g \rangle + \lambda \langle D^P(f), D^P(g) \rangle$$

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## ■ FPCA in $L^2(T)$ of smoothed data $S(x_i)$ (Ocaña et al., 1999)

## ■ For basis expansion of data (Aguilera and Aguilera-Morillo, 2013)

$$S(x_i) = \phi^T ((\Psi + \lambda P_d)^{-1} \Psi)^{1/2} a_i$$

# FPCA of COVID-19 cases in Spain

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- **Data:** daily cumulative informed cases of COVID-19 for 17 autonomous communities (ACs) in Spain from 20/02/2020 to 27/04/2020 (first wave of COVID-19)
- The curves are daily observed starting the day that at least one case is reported. Therefore, the period of observation and the number of observations are different for each AC
- **Data homogeneization:** the number of cases per 10000 inhabitants is considered and the first observation for each curve is the day that exceeds by first time the maximum of the first reported values
- **Data registration:** all the curves were registered in the common interval  $[0, 1]$  (Ramsay and Silverman, 2005)

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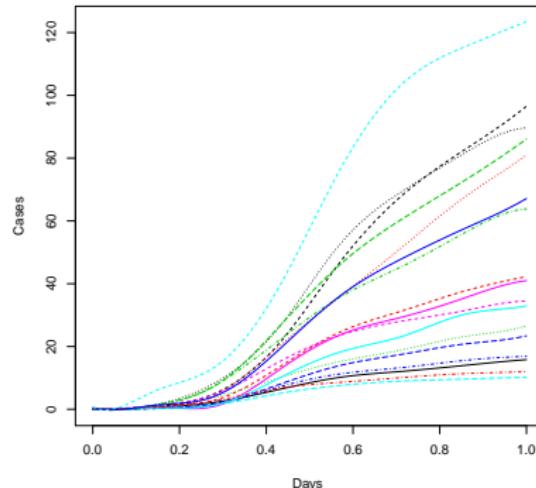
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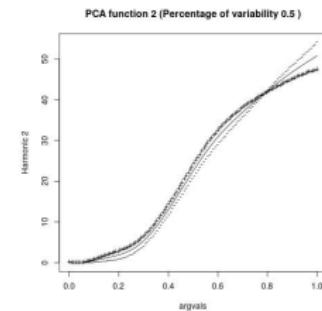
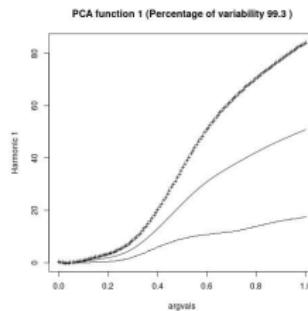
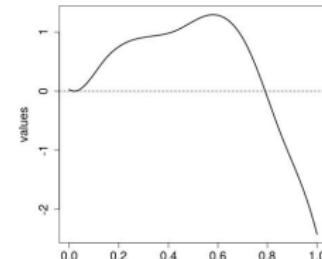
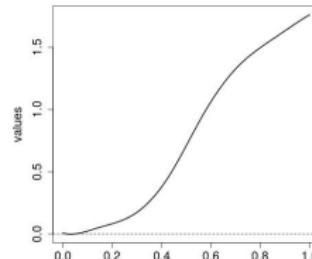
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Regression splines (10 B-spline basis functions) for the number of daily cumulative informed cases by COVID-19 per 10000 inhabitants registered in [0,1] for 17 autonomous communities in Spain

# FPCA of COVID-19 cases in Spain

Weight functions as perturbations of the mean:  $\bar{x}(t) \pm 2\sqrt{\lambda_j}f_j(t)$



$f_1(t)$  : Quick increase in cases as time passed with the infection curve out of control. The rest of components are difficult to interpret

# Functional PCA rotation

VARIMAX rotation criterion on FPCA of  $X(t)$  (Acal et al., 2021)

- FPCA of  $X(t) \leftrightarrow$  PCA of matrix  $A\Psi^{1/2}$

$$\text{Cov}(A\Psi^{1/2}) = V\Lambda V^T \text{ with } \Lambda = \text{Diag}(\lambda_j)$$

$$A\Psi^{1/2} \approx Z_q V_q^T = (Z_q \Lambda_q^{-1/2})(V_q \Lambda_q^{1/2})^T = \tilde{Z}_q \tilde{V}_q^T$$

$$x^q = Z_q f_q \quad f_q^T = \Phi^T \Psi^{-1/2} V_q$$

$A_{n \times K}$  basic coefficients;  $\Psi_{K \times K}$  inner products

$V_q$  matrix with first  $q$  eigenvectors

$$x^q = (x_1^q, \dots, x_n^q)^T; \quad f_q = (f_1, \dots, f_q)^T; \quad \Phi = (\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_K)^T$$

- Rotating loadings of PC scores (eigenvectors)  $V_q^R = V_q R$  ( $R R^T = I$ )

Orthonormal rotated principal factors:  $f_q^{R^T} = \phi^T (\Psi^{-1/2} V_q^R)$

Correlated PC scores:  $Z_q^R = Z_q R$

- Rotating loadings of standardized PC scores  $\tilde{V}_q^R = \tilde{V}_q R = V_q \Lambda_q^{1/2} R$

Non-orthonormal rotated principal factors:  $\tilde{f}_q^{R^T} = \phi^T (\Psi^{-1/2} \tilde{V}_q^R)$

Uncorrelated PC scores:  $\tilde{Z}_q^R = \tilde{Z}_q R$



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PC	FPCA	Rotation
1	99.32	44.36
2	0.52	38.14
3	0.12	0.67
4	0.03	14.82

Percentages of variance explained by the first four PCs of COVID-19 curves

Andalucía, AN	Castilla-La Mancha, CM	Madrid, MD
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Abbreviation of the seventeen Spanish autonomous communities

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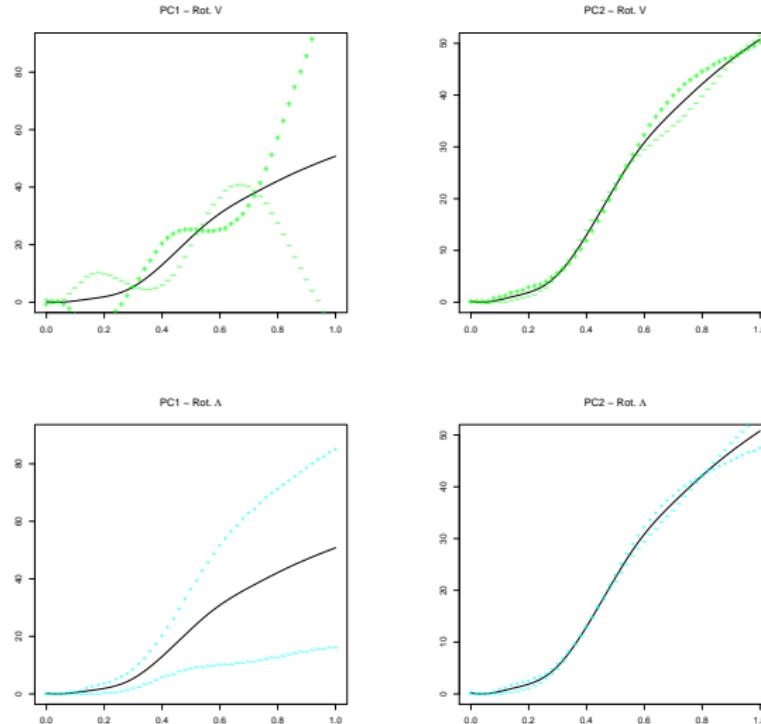
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Weight functions as perturbations of the mean:  $\bar{x}(t) \pm 2\sqrt{\lambda_j}f_j(t)$

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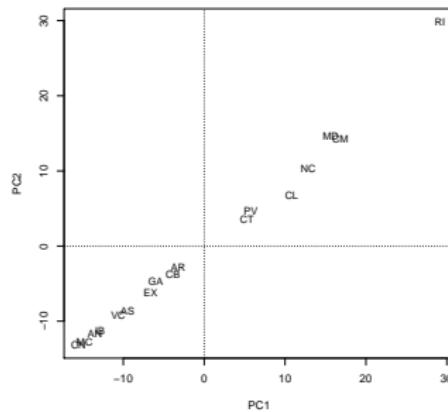
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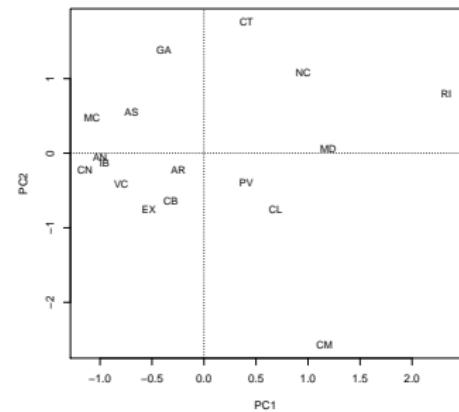
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Scores – Rot. V



Standardized scores – Rot. A



PC scores of the seventeen Spanish autonomous communities on the first two rotated principal components of COVID-19 cases

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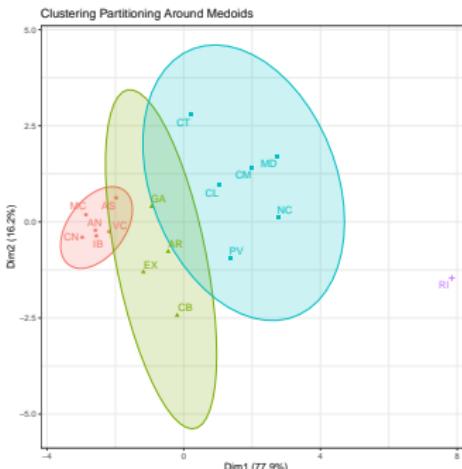
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Functional clustering of COVID-19 cases

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Estimating a response variable  $Y$  from related predictors  $X$  where at least one variable is functional

- Functional linear models
  - Functional covariate, scalar response
  - Scalar or categorical covariate, functional response
  - Functional covariate, functional response
- Generalized linear models
  - Functional logit models ....
- Generalized additive models
- Mixed effects models

# Scalar response models

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- **Least squares estimation (ill-posed problem)**

$$\beta = \operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_i - \left( \alpha + \int \beta(t) x_i(t) dt \right) \right)^2$$

# Model estimation

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## Solutions

### 1 Penalized least squares estimation

$$\beta = \operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_i - \left( \alpha + \int \beta(t) x_i(t) dt \right) \right)^2 + \lambda \int_T (L\beta(t))^2$$

$\beta(t)$  smooth parameter function  $\beta(t) = \sum_j b_j \phi_j(t)$

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### 2 Regression on uncorrelated predictor variables $Z$

$$z_{ij} = \langle x_i, \beta_j \rangle = \int_T x_i(t) f_j(t) dt \implies y_i = \alpha + \sum_j \beta_j z_{ij} + \epsilon_i$$

- Functional principal component regression (PCR)
- Functional partial least squares regression (PLSR)

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- **Estimation:** MANOVA for functional principal components  $Z$
- **Testing problem:**  $H_0 : \alpha_j = \mu_j - \mu = 0$

# Biomechanics

Experimental study developed in the biomechanics laboratories of the Sport and Health Institute of the University of Granada (IMUDS)

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- **Functional ANOVA Test:**  $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_4 = \mu_5 = \mu_6 = \mu_7$

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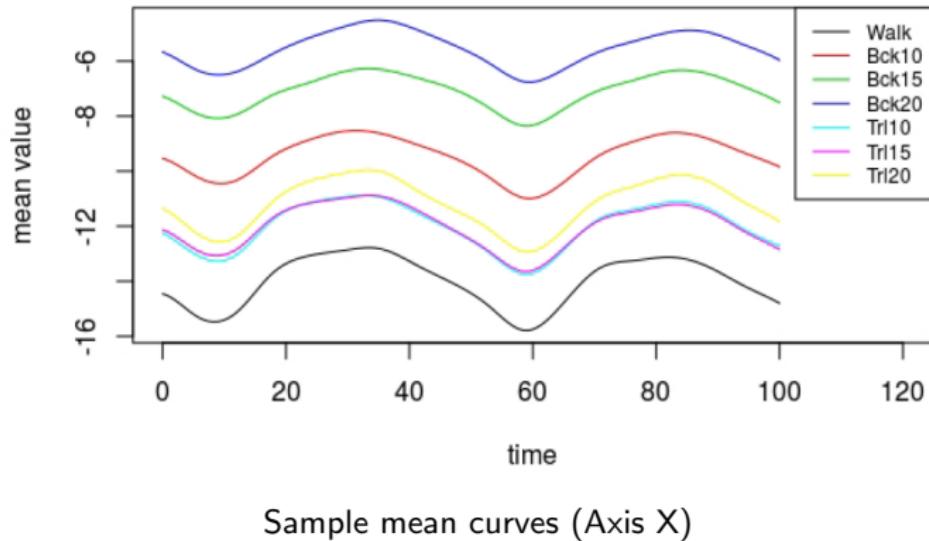
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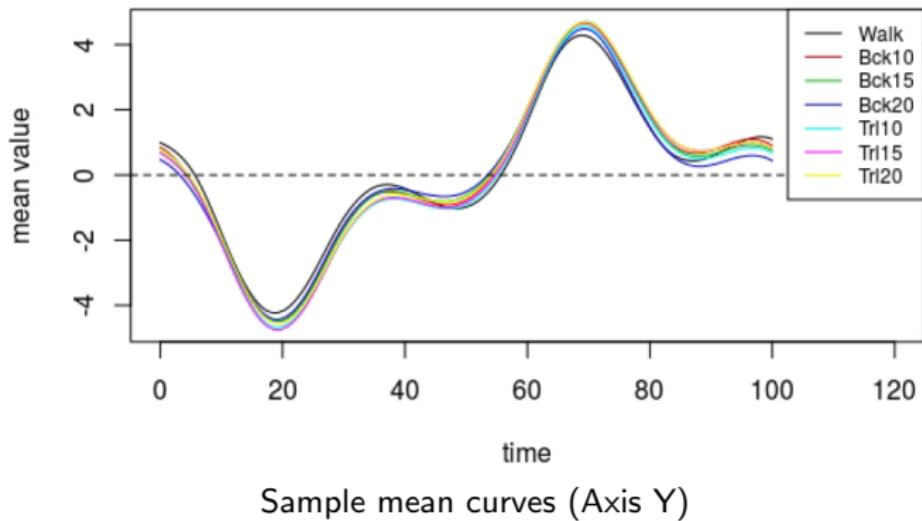
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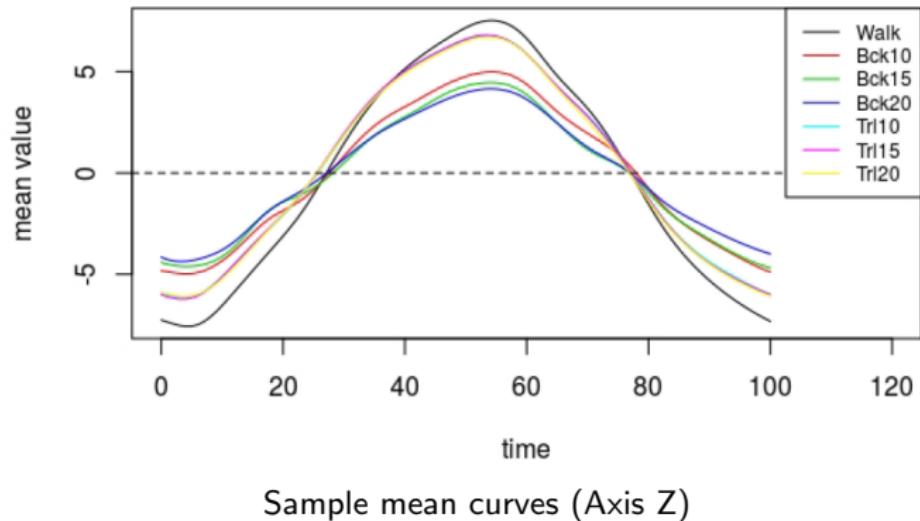
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- **Estimation:** Logit regression of  $Y$  on uncorrelated variables  $Z$  (PC (Escabias et al., 2004; 2005), PLS (Escabias et al., 2007))

# Kneading data

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- **Objective:** Predicting the quality of cookies from Danone (good or bad) from the resistance of dough during the kneading process  $\{X(t) : t \in [0, 480]\}$  (Aguilera-Morillo and Aguilera, 2015)
- **Functional predictor:** curves of resistance of dough observed every two seconds  $\{X_i(t_j) : t_j \in [0, 480]\}$   $\{t_j = 2 \times j : j = 0, \dots, 240\}$
- **Binary response:**  $Y = 1$  for good cookies and  $Y = 0$  for bad cookies
- Sample of 90 flours divided in a training sample of size 60 and a test sample of size 30
- **Solution:** FPCA on P-spline smoothing of curves and Logit regression on PCs

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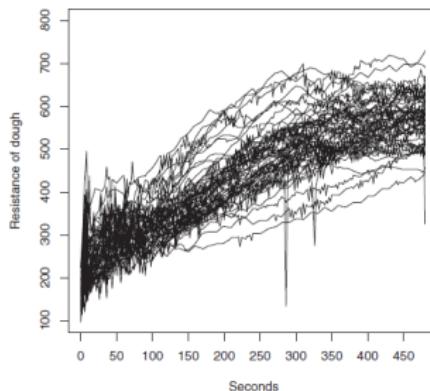
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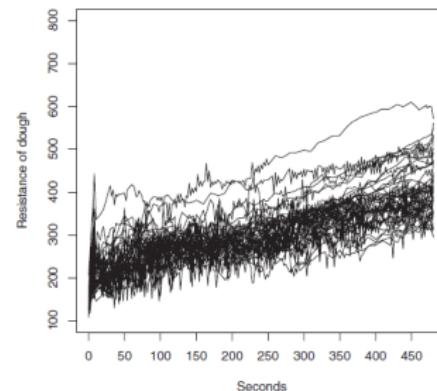
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## Raw curves of resistance of dough

(Good)



(Bad)



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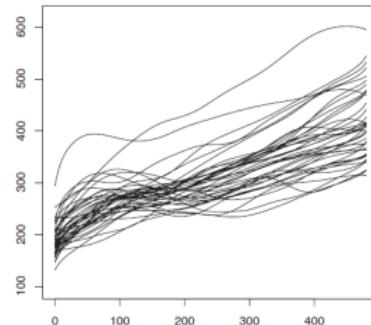
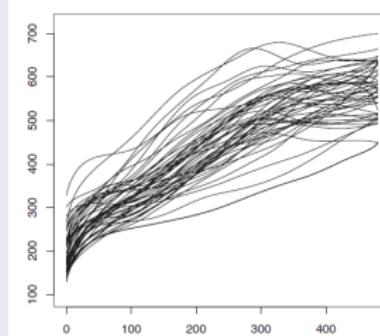
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## P-spline smoothing of curves of resistance of dough



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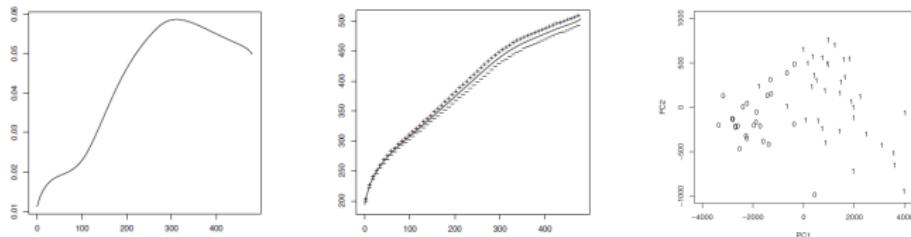
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First eigenfunction (left), perturbed mean curve (center) and dispersion graph between the first and second PCs (right)

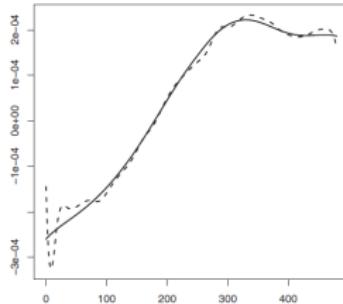


- The first principal component (93.59% of the total variability) gives negative weights to bad cookies and positive weights to good cookies
- The first PC curve represents the main features of the curve of resistance of a good cookie
- The main mode of variation of the resistance curves is associated to the quality of the cookies and allows to identify the best quality flours

# Kneading data: Logit regression on first PC

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## Functional parameter interpretation

### ■ Shape

A good flour must have less resistance during the early period of the kneading process, and more resistance in the late period

### ■ Odds ratios

$$\hat{OR}_1^{(\Delta 10)} = \exp \left( 10 \int_0^{186} \hat{\beta}(t) dt \right) = 0.56 \implies \text{a constant}$$

increase of 10 units in resistance during period (0, 186) will halve the odds of producing a good cookie

$$\hat{OR}_2^{(\Delta 10)} = \exp \left( 10 \int_{186}^{480} \hat{\beta}(t) dt \right) = 1.9 \implies \text{the same increase in period (186, 480) will double the odds of good cookie}$$

# Lupus flare/stress relationship

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- **Objective:** Predicting the probability of lupus flare from time evolution of stress level (Aguilera et al., 2008)
- **Data:** 44 SLE patients who were asked to respond to different stress tests over a period of 18 days (several patients did not provide observations on the third and twelfth days)
- **Principal component logit regression** in terms of only the third PC of stress (less than 10% variability))
- The consequences of high stress levels on a lupus flare have a lag of approximately five days
- The odds of lupus flare are doubled when the stress level increases by five times the third eigenfunction
- CCR 96%

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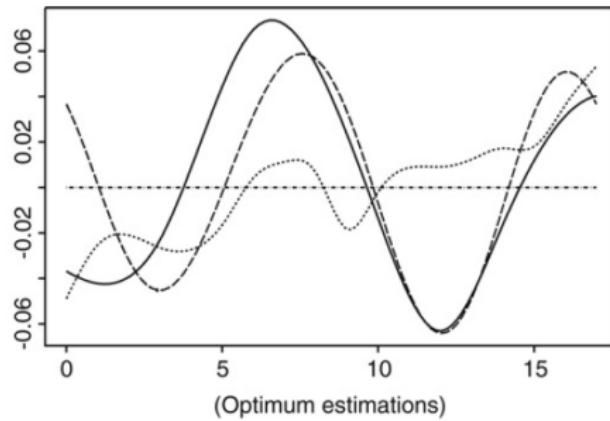
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## Parameter interpretation

- Shape interpretation: people with a high stress level around the maxima ( $t = 6.6$  and  $t = 17$ ) have a higher probability of suffering a lupus flare, while an absolute high level around the minima ( $t = 1.2$  and  $t = 12$ ) would reduce this probability
- As a result, the consequences of high stress level on a lupus flare have a lag of approximately five days

# Functional regression summary

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## All linear regression methods reduce to

- Turn sums into integrals (ill-posed problem)
- Basis expansion and penalized estimation  $\implies$  Multicollinearity and high dimension
- Perform FPCA or FPLS  $\implies$  Regression on uncorrelated predictor variables (PC or PLS scores)

## Applied in functional versions of

- Generalized linear models
- Generalized additive models
- Mixed models
- Time series of functions
- Cluster Analysis, Linear Discriminant Analysis, ....

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- **Library fda.usc:** fda library plugin with depth measures, functional outliers detection, functional regression, functional data classification, functional ANOVA
- **Library fds:** functional data sets
- **Library logitFD:** functional logistic regression
- **Library pfica:** penalized independent component analysis for univariate functional data
- **Library far:** modelling Hilbertian autoregressive processes autoregresivos hilbertianos
- **Library ftsa:** functional time series analysis
- **Library MFDF:** modelling finance functional data
- **Library refund:** regression with functional data
- **Library nfda:** non-parametric functional data analysis
- **Library rainbow:** graphics for exploratory functional data analysis

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