

# Introducing mgcViz

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Material available at:

[https://github.com/mfasiolo/workshop\\_EDF19](https://github.com/mfasiolo/workshop_EDF19)

# Workshop plan

First session: basic mgcViz framework and tools

Talk + 30min hands-on session.

Second session: qgam and mgcViz

Talk + 30min hands-on session.

The mgcv ecosystem:

- `gamm4` generalized additive mixed model using `lme4` for estimation
- `refund` functional GAMs using `mgcv` estimation
- `qgam` quantile GAMs (last session)
- `mgcViz` GAM visualization using `ggplot2` (next)
- and many others `scam`, `vagam`, `GJRM`, `itsadug`, ...

# mgcViz: talk structure

## **mgcViz: why do we need it and how does it work?**

- limitations of mgcv plotting methods
- mgcViz layer-based solution
- smooth effects plots
- diagnostic plots

For detailed account see

Fasiolo, M., R. Nedellec, Y. Goude, and S. N. Wood (2018). Scalable visualisation methods for modern generalized additive models.  
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or online training material

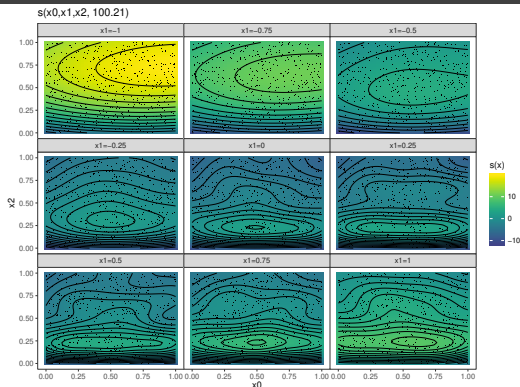
<https://mfasiolo.github.io/mgcViz/index.html>

# mgcViz: why and how

Now we go to “mgcViz.html” for demonstration

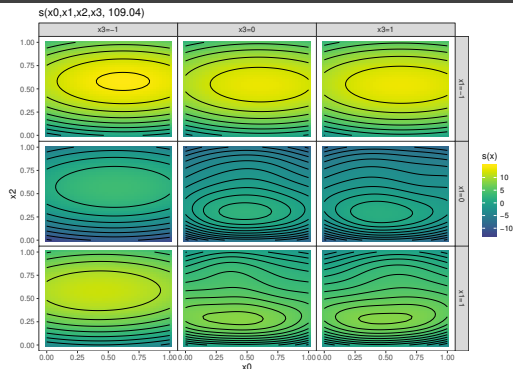
# mgcViz: why and how

```
dat <- gamSim(1, n=5000, dist="normal", scale=2)
b <- bamV(y ~ s(x0, x1, x2), data = dat)
pl <- plotSlice(x = sm(b, 1),
               fix = list("x1" = seq(-1, 1, len = 9)))
pl + l_fitRaster() + l_fitContour() + l_points()
```



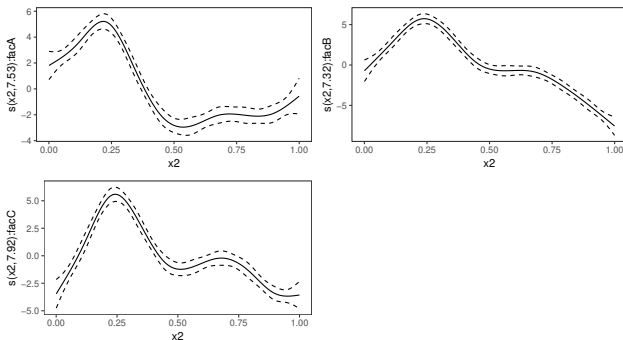
# mgcViz: why and how

```
b <- bamV(y ~ s(x0, x1, x2, x3), data = dat)
pl <- plotSlice(x = sm(b, 1),
               fix = list("x1" = seq(-1, 1, len = 3),
                          "x3" = seq(-1, 1, len = 3)))
pl
```



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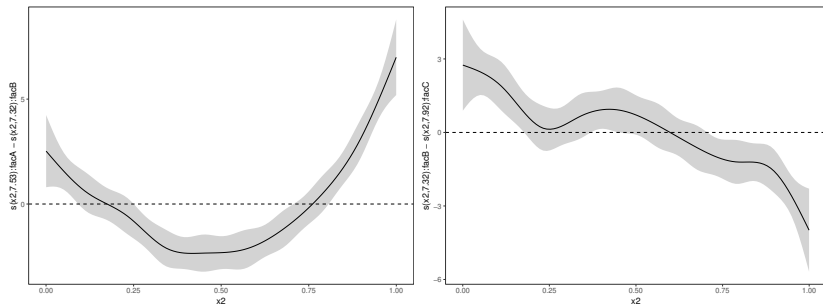
```
dat <- gamSim(1,n=2000,dist="normal",scale=2)
dat$fac <- factor(sample(c("A","B","C"),nrow(dat),r=TRUE))
dat$y <- with(dat, dat$y + 30*(fac=="A")*(x2-0.5)^2 -
               30*(fac=="B")*(x2-0.5)^3)
b <- gamV(y ~ s(x2, bs="cr", by = fac), data=dat)
print(plot(b), pages = 1)
```





# mgcViz: why and how

```
d1 <- plotDiff(s1=sm(b, 1), s2=sm(b, 2)) + l_ciPoly() +  
  l_fitLine() + geom_hline(yintercept=0, linetype=2)  
  
d2 <- plotDiff(s1=sm(b, 2), s2=sm(b, 3)) + l_ciPoly() +  
  l_fitLine() + geom_hline(yintercept=0, linetype=2)  
  
gridPrint(d1, d2, ncol = 2)
```



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What if I want to plot the effects of the same model, estimated on different data?

We can use `plot.mgamViz`.

See “`plot_mgamViz.html`”.

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