

# GEOSTATISTICAL SIMULATIONS

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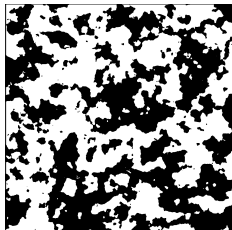
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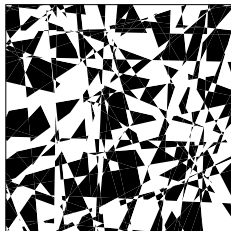
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- Gaussian model (convenient)
- Gaussian transform (to honor the "marginal" distribution)

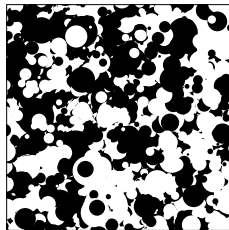
# SPATIAL LAW FOR COMPLETE CHARACTERISATION



Gaussian excursion set



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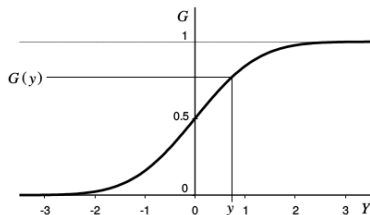
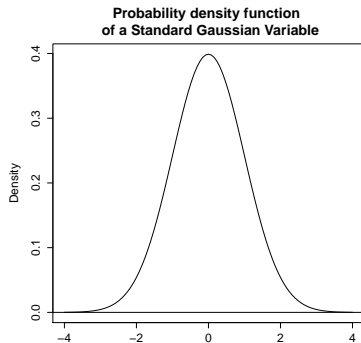
Same marginal distributions (Bernouilli), same variogram (same bivariate distributions) and even same trivariate distributions

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Proof: set

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and check the hypothesis on  $R$

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is Gaussian with mean  $y^*(x_0)$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ .

- One can deduce for any cutoff value  $y_c$ ,

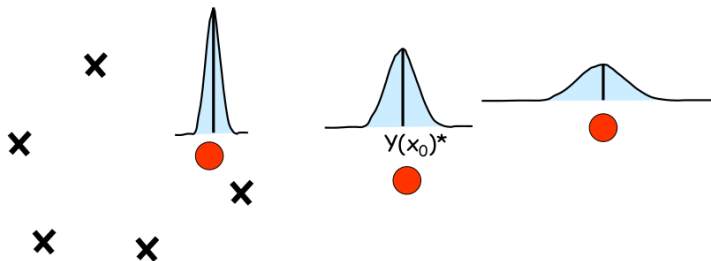
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where  $G$  is the standardized Gaussian c.d.f.

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- It provides optimal predictor for any function  $f$  of  $Y$ :

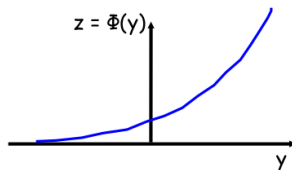
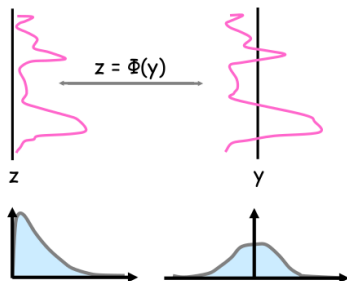
$$E[f(Y(x_0)) | \text{Data}] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(y^*(x_0) + \sigma t) g(t) dt$$

with  $g$  the standard Gaussian p.d.f ( $g = G'$ )

# GENERALIZATION

## ANAMORPHOSIS

- The studied variable  $Z$  is often not Gaussian.
- $Z$  will be modelled as a transformation by a function  $\varphi$  of a Gaussian variable  $Y$
- $\varphi$  is a bijective, increasing function (**anamorphosis**)



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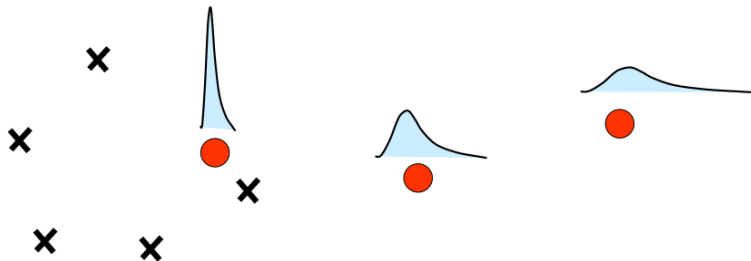
Use

$$E[e^{\lambda Y}] = e^{\frac{\lambda^2}{2}}$$

for a Gaussian variable  $Y$  with mean 0 and variance 1.

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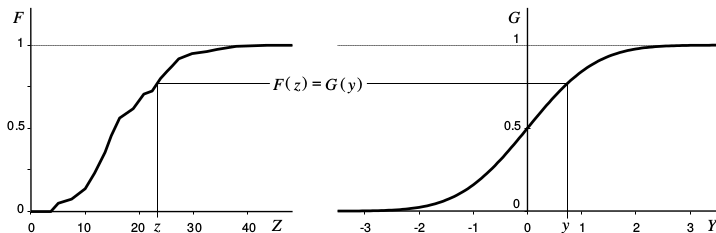
When suitable transformation is not found :

- Compute the gaussian scores from the data  $z_i$

$$y_i = G^{-1}(F(z_i))$$

where  $F$  is the empirical cumulative distribution function of  $Z$

- Fit a function  $\varphi$  (*anamorphosis*)  $Z = \varphi(Y)$



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$$\begin{aligned}H(y) &= P(Y \leq y) \\&= P(G^{-1}(F(Z)) \leq y) \\&= P(F(Z) \leq G(y)) \\&= P(Z \leq F^{-1}(G(y))) \\&= F(F^{-1}(G(y))) \\&= G(y)\end{aligned}$$

# SUMMARY

- Compute the Gaussian scores  $y_1, \dots, y_n$
- Fit an anamorphosis function  $\varphi$
- Compute **simple** kriging  $y^*(x_0)$  of the gaussian scores and the associated estimation variance  $\sigma^2$
- Compute

$$P(Z(x_0) \geq z_c | \text{Data}) = 1 - G\left(\frac{\varphi^{(-1)}(z_c) - y^*(x_0)}{\sigma}\right)$$

- Estimation by conditional expectation

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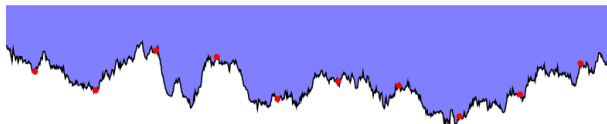
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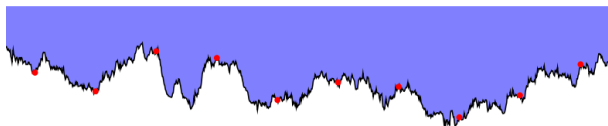
**Example:** a submarine cable has to be set on the seabed between Lisbonne and New-York.

How to predict its length from the bathymetry sampled every 100m.  
Uncertainty?





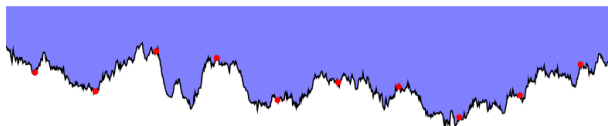
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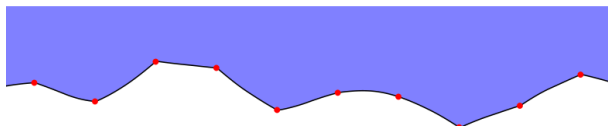
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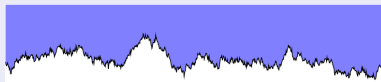


**Systematic under-estimation:** predicted trajectory is much smoother than the actual one

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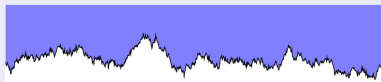


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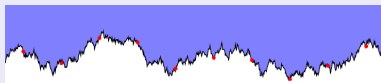
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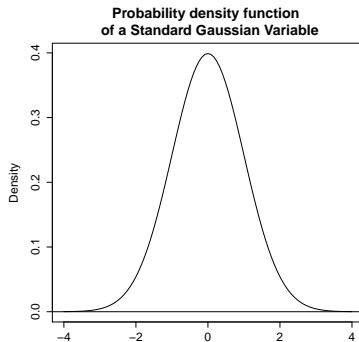
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- Remark

$$b + aY_i \sim \mathcal{N}(b, a^2).$$

# CENTRAL-LIMIT THEOREM

- $(X_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  is a sequence of independent and identically distributed  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued random variables (with mean  $m$  and finite variance  $\sigma^2$ ).
- Empirical mean

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

- Then, the random variable

$$\sqrt{n} \frac{(\bar{X}_n - m)}{\sigma}$$

converges in distribution to a normal  $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$ .

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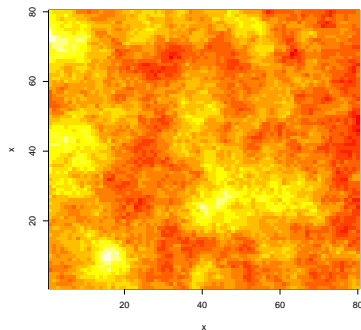
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- ⑥ Return

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{m} + A\mathbf{X}$$



## 2D EXAMPLE

A Gaussian random function with  $C(h) = e^{-h/10}$   
on a  $80 \times 80$  regular grid.



# PROPERTIES

## 2) CONDITIONAL DISTRIBUTION

Let consider a Gaussian vector

$$Z = (Y, X) = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n, X_1, \dots, X_p)$$

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$$E[Z] = \begin{pmatrix} m_Y \\ m_X \end{pmatrix}$$

and

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# PROPERTIES

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$$Y = Y^* + Y - Y^*$$

with

$$Y^* = m_Y + \Sigma_{XY}^t \Sigma_{XX}^{-1} (X - m_X)$$

- $Y^*$  contains the kriging of the components of  $Y$
- The vector  $(X, Y - Y^*)$  is Gaussian
- $\text{Cov}(X, Y - Y^*) = 0$  (independence)
- $E[Y - Y^*] = 0$
- $\text{Var}(Y - Y^*) = \Sigma_{YY} - \Sigma_{XY}^t \Sigma_{XX}^{-1} \Sigma_{XY}$

# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN $X$ AND $Y$

$$Y = f(X) + R$$

- $R \sim \mathcal{N}$
- $R \perp\!\!\!\perp X$

The distribution of  $Y$  conditionally to  $X = \mathbf{x}$  is Gaussian

- with mean

$$m_Y + \Sigma_{XY}^t \Sigma_{XX}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - m_X) \quad (1)$$

- and variance

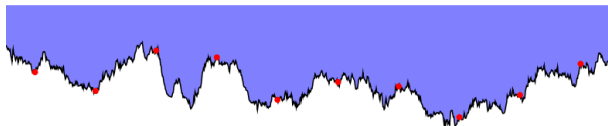
$$\Sigma_{YY} - \Sigma_{XY}^t \Sigma_{XX}^{-1} \Sigma_{XY} \quad (2)$$

Remark: the conditional variance of  $Y$  does not depend on  $X$ .

# EXAMPLE

## THE PROBLEM

- A submarine cable has to be set on the seabed between two coasts separated of 1km. How to predict its length from the bathymetry sampled every 50m. Uncertainty?



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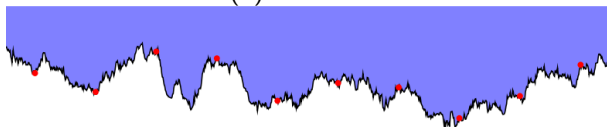
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- The model for the bathymetry is a Gaussian random function with mean

$$m = -400 \text{ meters}$$

and with a covariance function

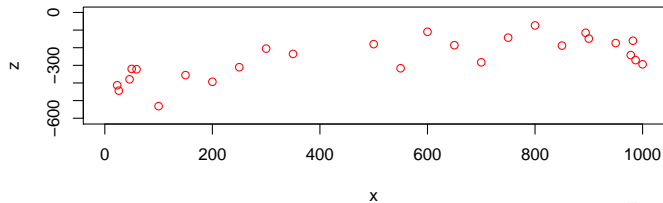
$$C(h) = 16000e^{-\frac{h}{50 \text{ meters}}}$$



# EXAMPLE

## DATA

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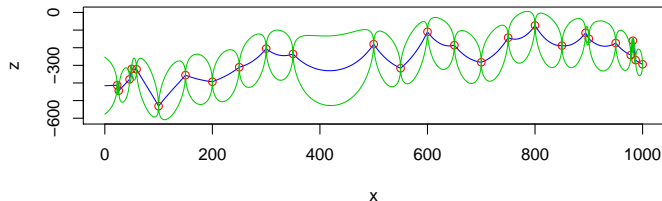


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## POINTWISE CONDITIONAL DISTRIBUTION

- Conditional distribution of the bathymetry  $Y(x_0)$  knowing  $Y(x_1), \dots, Y(x_n)$ :

$$\mathcal{N}(Y^K(x_0), \sigma_K)$$

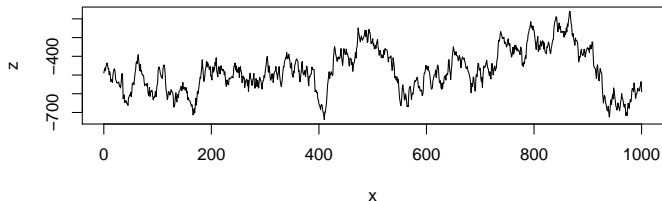




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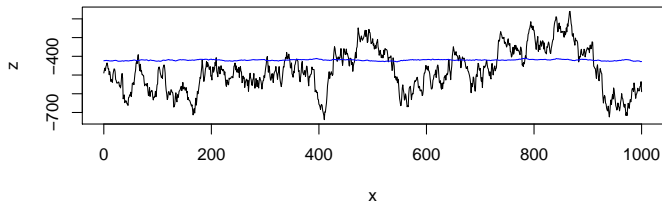
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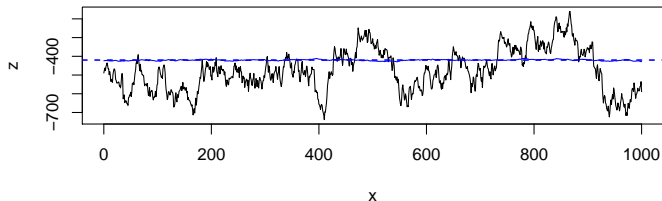
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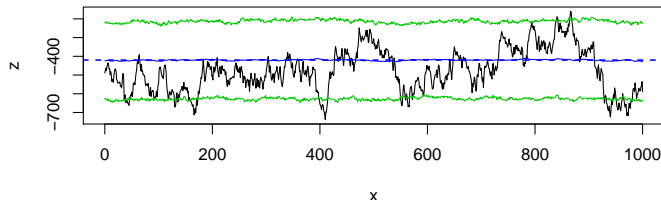
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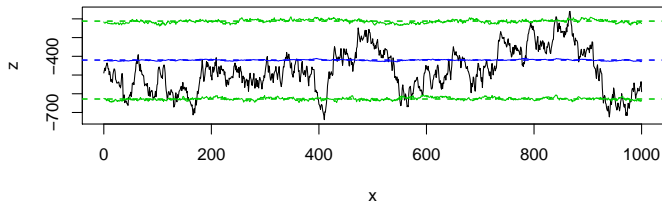
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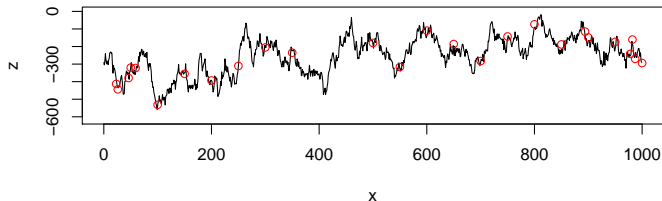
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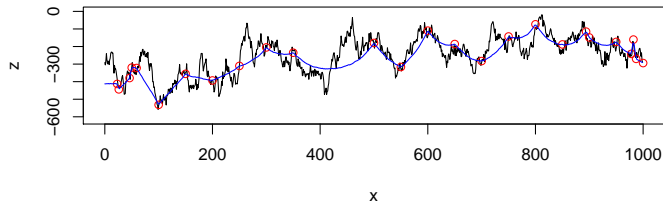
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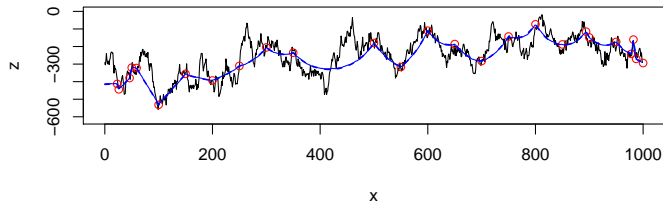
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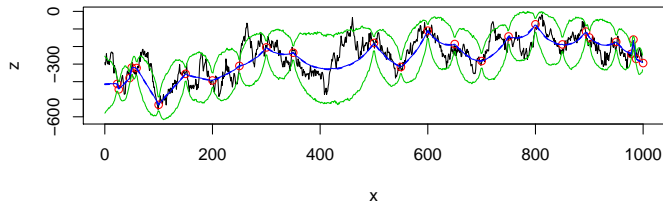




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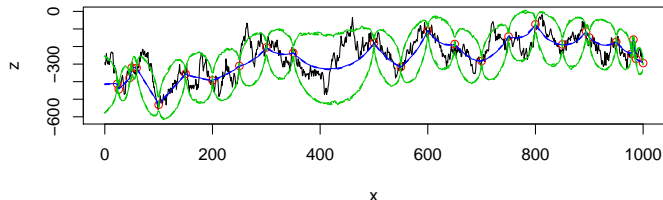
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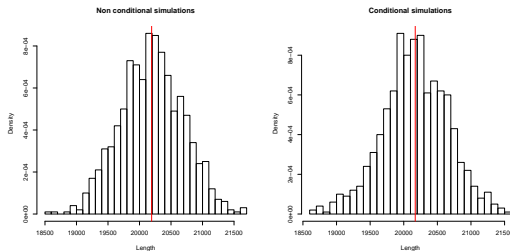


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# SIMULATION OF A GAUSSIAN RANDOM FUNCTION WITH A GIVEN COVARIANCE FUNCTION

- Decomposition of the covariance matrix ( $n < 10000$ )
- Otherwise, **functional extension of the central-limit theorem**  
(spectral method, turning bands,...)

# FUNCTIONAL EXTENSION OF THE CENTRAL-LIMIT THEOREM

## HYPOTHESIS

$(Z_n, n \in \mathbb{N}^*)$  is a sequence of **second-order stationary** random functions with mean  $m$ , variance  $\sigma^2$  and covariance function  $C = \sigma^2 \rho$ , and if

$$\bar{Z}_n = \frac{Z_1 + \cdots + Z_n}{n}$$

## CONCLUSION

When  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the random function

$$Y^{(n)} = \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{Z}_n - m}{\sigma}$$

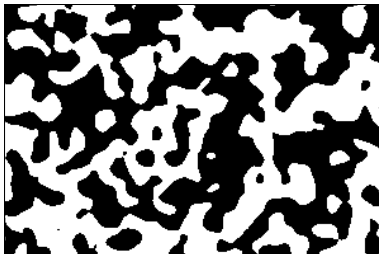
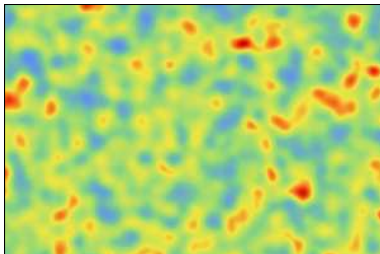
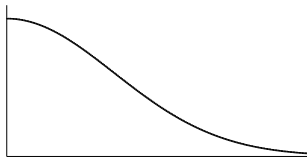
converges to a Gaussian random function with mean 0, variance 1 and covariance function  $\rho$ .

# USE IN SIMULATION ALGORITHMS

- Aim: simulate second-order stationary Gaussian random functions with mean  $m$  and covariance  $C$  ( $m = 0$  and  $\sigma^2 = 1$ )
- Simulate simple processes with covariance  $C$
- Average these processes to obtain a Gaussian random function with a covariance  $C$
- 1 - Spectral method
- 2 - Turning bands
- 3 - *Ad hoc* methods

# GAUSSIAN COVARIANCE

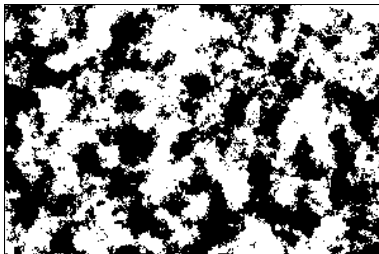
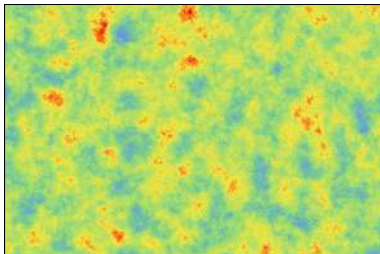
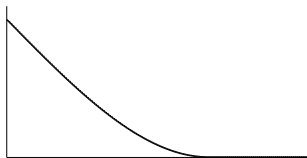
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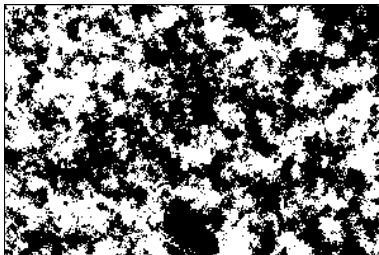
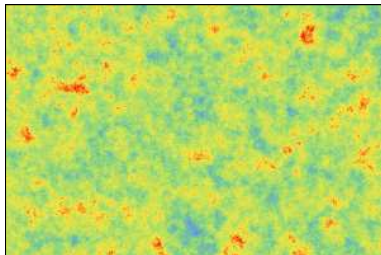
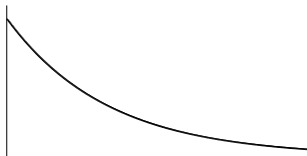
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# BOCHNER THEOREM

If  $C$  is continuous at  $0$ , then  $C$  is a covariance function if and only if there exists a probability measure  $F$  (the **spectral measure**) such as

$$C(h) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{i\omega^t \cdot h} dF(\omega)$$

When  $C \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$$C(h) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{i\omega^t \cdot h} f(\omega) d\omega$$

with  $f = F'$  is the **spectral density**  $C$

$$f(\omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-i\omega^t \cdot h} C(h) dh$$

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If

- $\Omega \sim F$  (with density  $f$ )
- $\Phi \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 2\pi))$
- $\Omega$  and  $\Phi$  are independent

Then, the random function defined for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  by

$$Z(x) = \sqrt{2} \cos(\Omega^t \cdot x + \Phi)$$

is second-order stationary with mean 0 and covariance function  $C$ .

# SPECTRAL METHOD

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$$\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n \sim F$$

and  $n$  independent phases

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Spectral measure of  $C$ :

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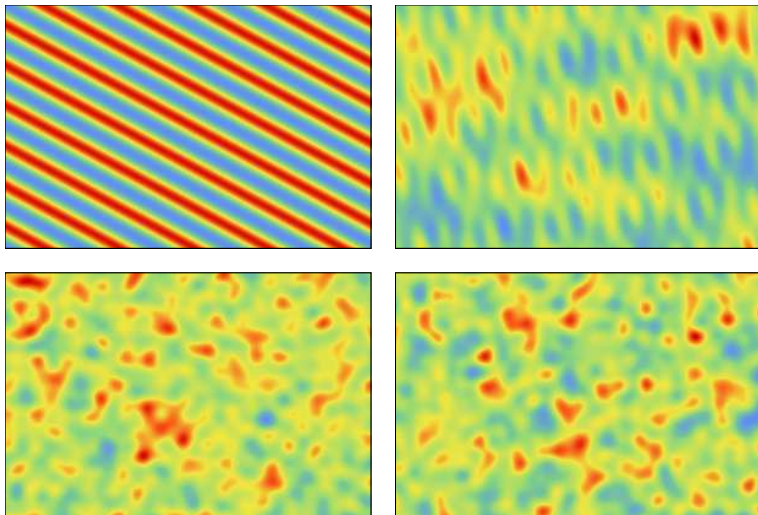
## SPECTRAL DENSITY

$$f(\omega) = \left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^d \exp\left(-\frac{a^2|\omega|^2}{4}\right)$$

To simulate  $\omega = (u_1, \dots, u_d)$  according to  $F$ , one have to simulate  $d$  independent realizations

$$u_1, \dots, u_d \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 2/a^2)$$

# ILLUSTRATION



Simulation with 1, 10, 100 and 1000 basic functions



# REMARKS

- When the covariance function is not smooth close to 0, the spectral density can be heavy-tailed
- Therefore, a large number of basic simulations is required in order to have a representative sample from the spectral measure: **lack of efficiency**
- Solution: add stochasticity by using turning bands method

# TURNING BANDS

Bochner theorem:

$$C(h) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{i\omega^t \cdot h} dF(\omega)$$

In spherical coordinates:

Let  $\omega = r\vec{\theta}$  with  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\vec{\theta} \in S_{d-1}^+$  (half unit sphere of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ). Then

$$C(h) = \int_{S_{d-1}^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{ir\vec{\theta}^t \cdot h} dF_{\vec{\theta}}(r) d\varpi(\vec{\theta}) = \int_{S_{d-1}^+} C_{\vec{\theta}}(\vec{\theta}^t \cdot h) d\varpi(\vec{\theta})$$

where

$$C_{\vec{\theta}}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{iru} dF_{\vec{\theta}}(r)$$

are some **unidimensional covariances**.

# TURNING BAND ALGORITHM

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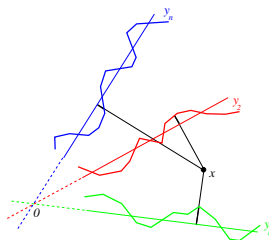
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$$C_{\vec{\theta}_1}, \dots, C_{\vec{\theta}_n}$$

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- $C_1$  and  $C_3$  are linked by:

$$C_1(r) = \frac{d}{dr} (rC_3(r)) \quad r > 0$$



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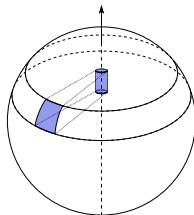
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It follows

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as the projection on a radius of a uniform point on  $S_2^+$  is uniform.



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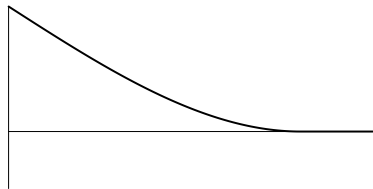
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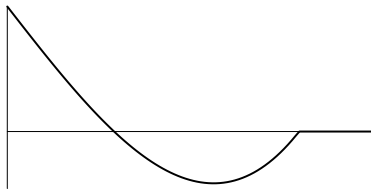
From 3D to 1D:

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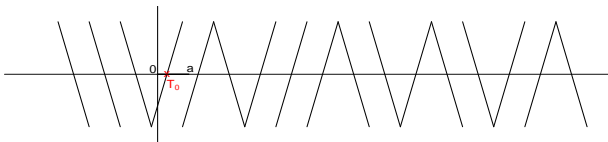
Algorithm to generate a stochastic process with covariance  $C_1$ :

- (i) Simulate  $T_0$  uniform on  $[0, a]$  and set  $T_k = T_0 + ka$  for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$
- (ii) Split the line in intervals  $I_k = [T_k - \frac{a}{2}, T_k + \frac{a}{2})$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$
- (iii) For all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , compute

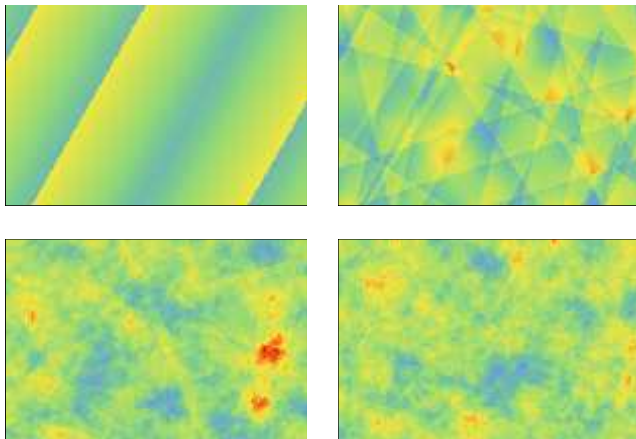
$$z(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \varepsilon_k 2 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{a} (t - T_k) \mathbf{1}_{I_k}(t)$$

where the  $\varepsilon_k$  are independent random signs (independent of  $T_0$ ):  
 $P(\varepsilon_k = 1) = P(\varepsilon_k = -1) = 1/2$

Example:



## SPHERICAL COVARIANCE (3/3)



Simulation with 1, 10, 100 and 1000 bands

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Algorithm:

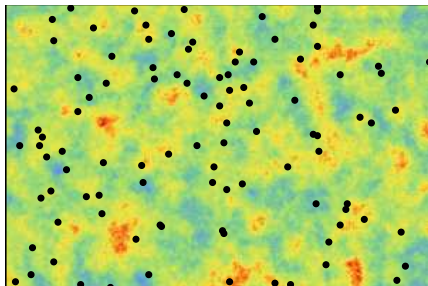
- *Simulate  $n$  independent and uniform directions  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_n \sim \omega$*
- *simulate  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  some realizations of  $n$  independent stochastic processes  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$ , each with mean 0 and covariance function  $C_1$  (but with scale parameters  $au_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ )*
- *For all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , compute*

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=1}^n z_j(x^t \cdot \theta_j)$$



# CONDITIONAL SIMULATIONS

How to simulate a realization  $\{y(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$  of a second order **Gaussian** random function  $\{Y(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$  with mean  $m$  and covariance function  $C$  with respect to the data  $\{Y(x_i) = y_i, i = 1, \dots, n\}$  ?



# PRINCIPLE

Let

$$Y(x) = Y^{SK}(x) + Y(x) - Y^{SK}(x)$$

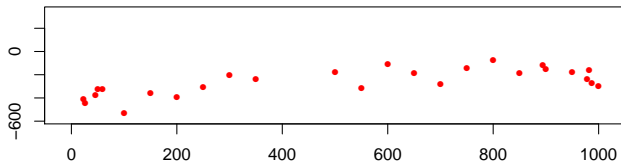
where

$$Y^{SK}(x) = m + \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j(x)[Y(x_j) - m] \quad \text{simple kriging}$$

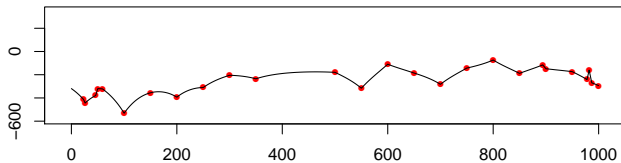
$$Y(x) - Y^{SK}(x) \quad \text{kriging residuals}$$

$Y^{SK}$  and  $Y - Y^{SK}$  are two independent Gaussian random functions

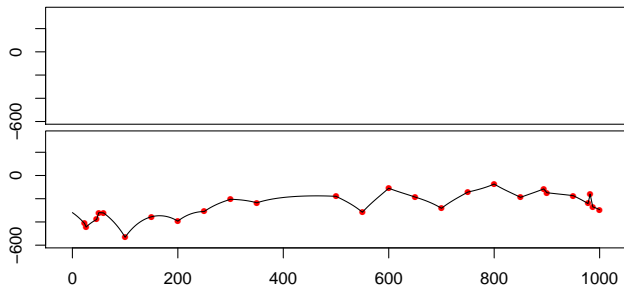
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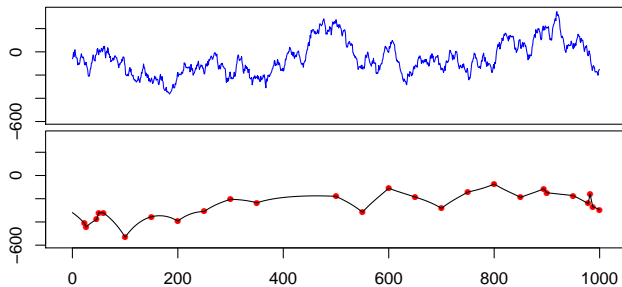
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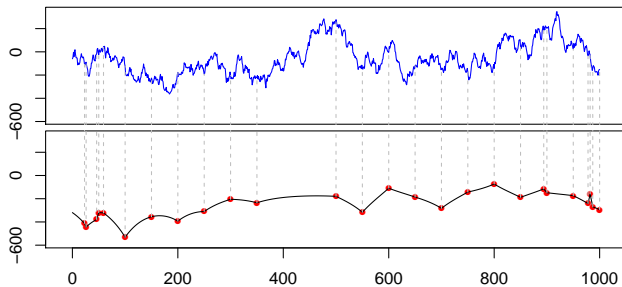
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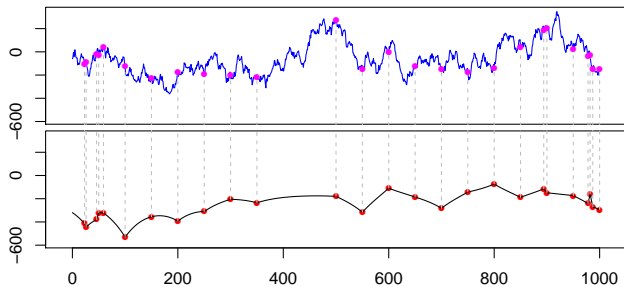
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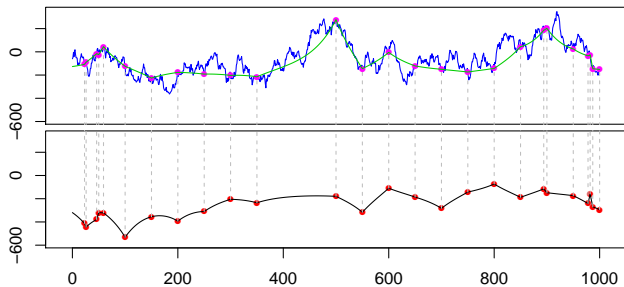


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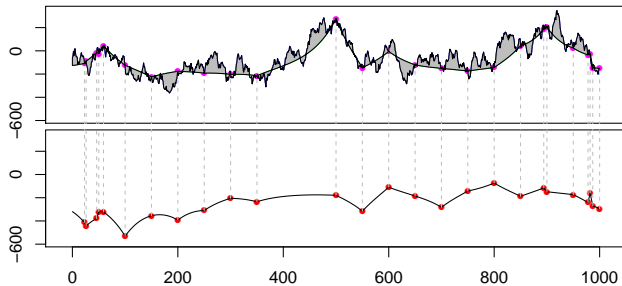




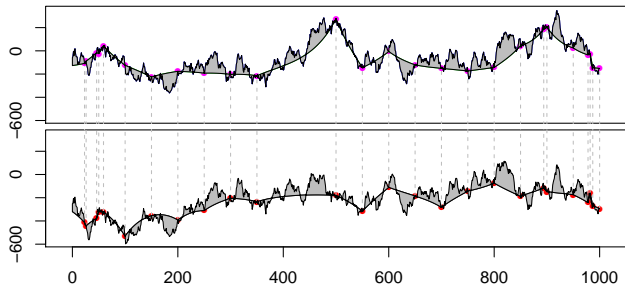
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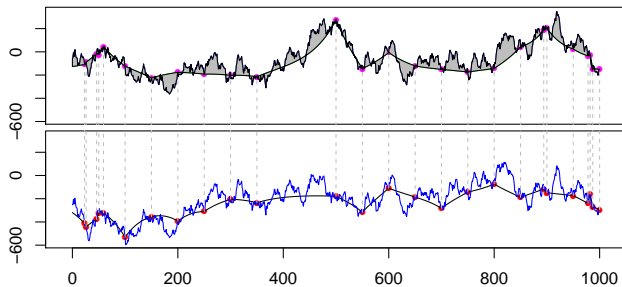
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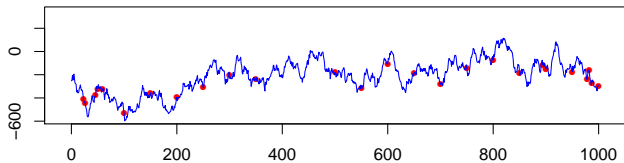
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# ALGORITHM

- (i) make an unconditional simulation  $\{s(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$  and set  $s_j = s(x_j)$ .
- (ii) for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , compute the kriging weights  $(\lambda_j(x), j = 1, \dots, n)$
- (iii) set

$$\begin{aligned} y^{CS}(x) &= y^{SK}(x) + s(x) - s^{SK}(x) \\ &= s(x) + \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j(x)(y_j - s_j) \end{aligned}$$

# VERIFICATION

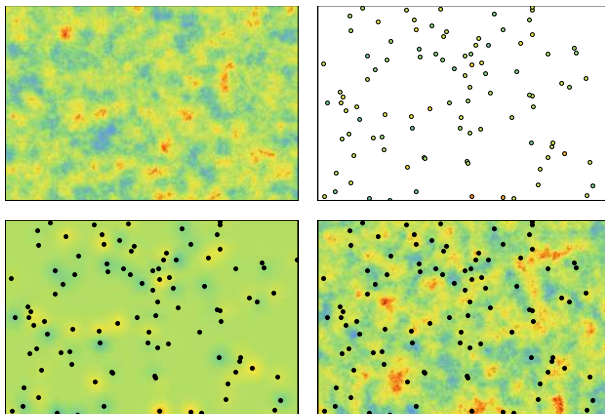
- If  $x = x_i$ , then  $y^{CS}(x_i) = y_i + s(x_i) - s(x_i) = y_i$

The conditioning data are honored

- If  $C(x - x_\alpha) \simeq 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , then  $y^{CS}(x) \simeq m + s(x) - m = s(x)$

For points distant from the data, the simulation is unconditional

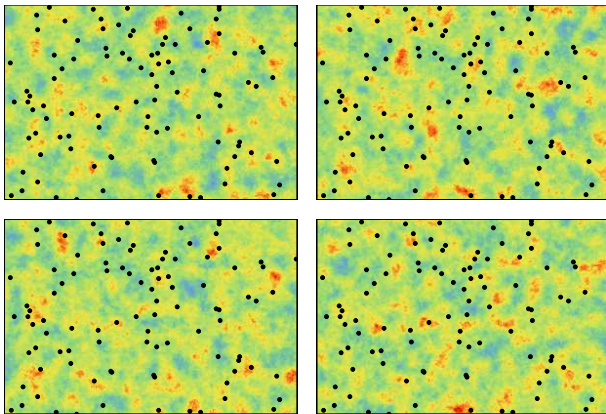
# ILLUSTRATION



Simulation (TL), Synthetic data (TR), Simple kriging (BL), a conditional simulation (BR)



## 4 OTHER CONDITIONAL SIMULATIONS



# GAUSSIAN ANAMORPHOSIS

- Limitation of the Gaussian model:
  - Symetrical distribution
  - Inadapted to model data with heavy tail histogram
  - Conditional variance does not depend on the data (homoscedasticity)
- Anamorphosis: bijective function  $\varphi$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}$
- Model: data are a realization of a second order stationary Gaussian random function transformed by  $\varphi$
- Example : The **log-normal** model

$$\varphi(Y) = \exp(\mu + \sigma Y)$$

# CONDITIONAL SIMULATION OF A TRANSFORMED GAUSSIAN RANDOM FUNCTION

## MODEL

$(z(x_1), \dots, z(x_n))$  is a realization of  $(Z(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d)$ , a transformed Gaussian random function:

- $Z(x) = \varphi(Y(x))$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$
- $(Y(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d)$  a second order stationary Gaussian random function with correlation function  $C$

How to simulate a realization  $(z(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d)$  from  $(Z(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d)$  such as  $Z(x_i) = z(x_i)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ?

# ALGORITHM

(i) *transform the data in the Gaussian scale*

$$y_i = \varphi^{-1}(z(x_i))$$

(ii) *Perform a conditional simulation  $\{y(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$  from the Gaussian random function  $(Y(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d)$  which honors the data in the Gaussian case*

$$Y(x_i) = y_i$$

(iii) *transform back the simulation for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$*

$$z(x) = \varphi(y(x))$$