



Functional Data Analysis of Weather Data

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Data Source

Historical Weather Data in India

- Hourly observations (2006–2019)
- 8 major Indian cities
- Over 20 meteorological variables (focus on Temperature)

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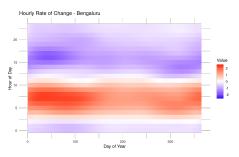
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Derivatives: Rates of Temperature Change

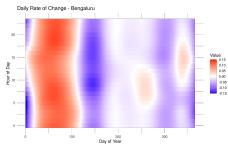
Understanding Dynamics for Bengaluru (Example City)

Hourly Rate of Change $\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \text{hour}}\right)$



Rate of temperature change throughout the day, across the year. Red: warming, Blue: cooling.

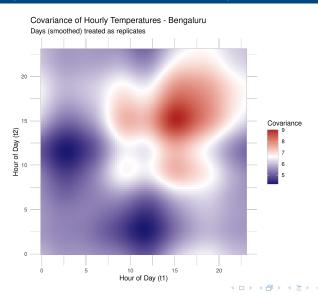
Daily Rate of Change $\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \mathsf{day}}\right)$



Rate of temperature change from one day to the next, at different hours. Red: inter-day warming, Blue: inter-day cooling.

Covariance of Hourly Temperatures

For Bengaluru (Smoothed Daily Profiles as Replicates)

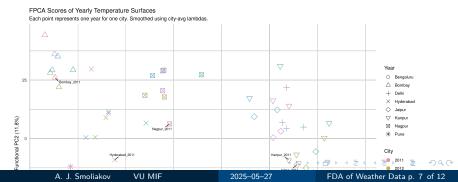


FPCA on Yearly Temperature Surfaces

Each City-Year Combination as a Replicate (64 surfaces)

Objective: Explore inter-annual variability and city-specific temporal trends.

- \bullet Yearly temperature surfaces (365 days \times 24 hours) for each city and each year (2011-2018) were smoothed.
- FPCA performed on the coefficients of these 64 smoothed surfaces.



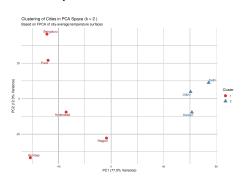
Clustering Cities by Average Temperature Profiles

Based on FPCA Scores from City-Average Surfaces

- Hierarchical clustering (Ward.D2 method) on PC1, PC2, PC3 scores of the 8 city-average temperature surfaces.
- A chosen number of k = 2 clusters was selected.

Clusters in PCA Space (PC1 vs PC2)

Geographical Distribution of Clusters



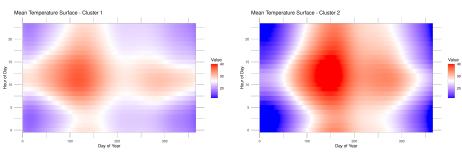


Comparing Cluster Characteristics

Mean Temperature Surfaces per Cluster

Mean Surface - Cluster 1

Mean Surface - Cluster 2



Cities: Bengaluru, Bombay, Hyderabad, Nagpur, Pune.

Cities: Delhi, Jaipur, Kanpur.

Observations:

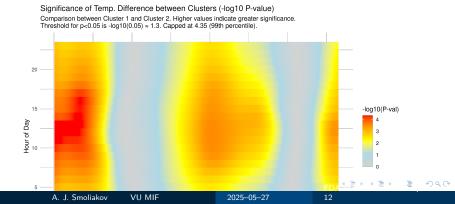
• Cluster 1 (Southern/Central): Generally warmer winters, less extreme summer highs, possibly more influence from monsoonal patterns affecting daily temperature ranges.

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Pointwise FANOVA: Significance of Temperature Differences

Testing H_0 : Mean Temp Surface is Same for Both Clusters

- \bullet For each day of year and hour of day, an ANOVA was performed: $\it Temperature \sim \it Cluster$.
- The heatmap shows the $-\log_{10}(p\text{-value})$ for the cluster effect.



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Potential Future Work:

Incorporate other meteorological variables (humidity, 12)

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Thank you for your attention!