Geoscience Data Analysis (ESS210B)

Course Time

Lectures: Mon, Wed, 11:00-12:20

Discussion: 1011 Croul Hall

Text Book

Data Analysis in the Earth Sciences Using Matlab, by G. V. Middleton, Prentice Hall

Some Applications of Statistics to Meteorology, by H. A. Panofsky and G. W. Brier; PenState University Press

Statistical Methods in the Atmospheric Sciences, by D. Wilks, Academic Press

Grade

Homework (50%), Final (50%)

Homework

Issued and due every Wednesday



Text Books

Some Applications of Statistics to Meteorology

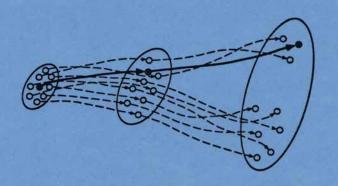
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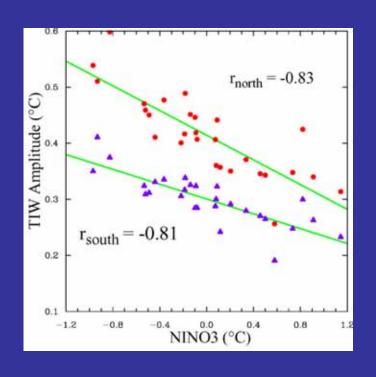
Course Description

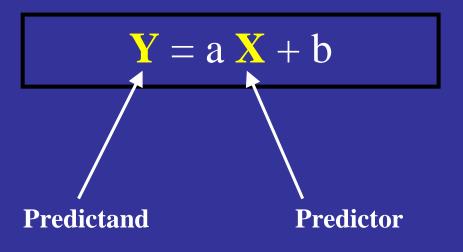
An introduction to the applications of objective analysis methods to geoscience data.

- What can we say based on the data?
- What can we see from the data?



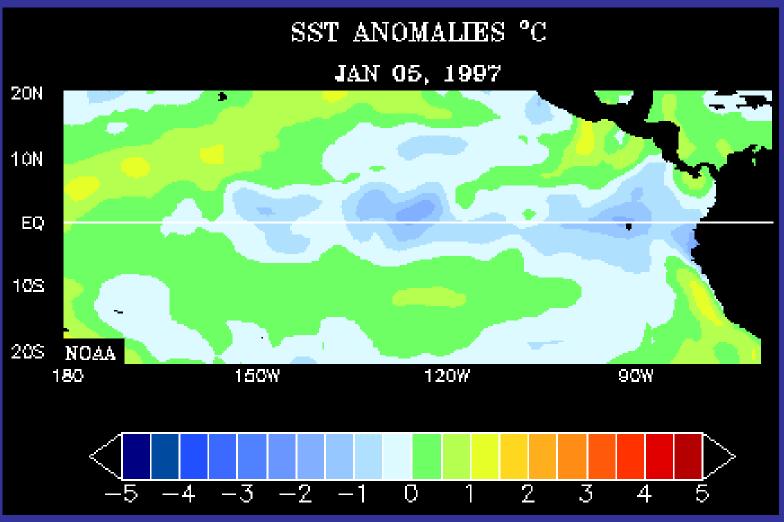
What Can You Say?







What Can You See?





Formats of Instruction

- Explain Why we need a particular objective analysis (statistical) method.
- ☐ What is the mathematical (theoretical) background behind this objective analysis (statistical) method?
- ☐ Demonstrate this method with examples.



Computer Accounts

□ Computers

Department Linux Machine: system.ess.uci.edu (Linux) and esmf.ess.uci.edu (IBM)

☐ Software Packages

Matlab on system.ess.uci.edu and esmf.ess.uci.edu

☐ Graph packages

Matlab on department machines



Syllabus

Week 1: Probability and Sampling

Review of Basic Statistics
Theoretical Probability Distributions
Small Sampling Theory
Confidence Level
Hypothesis Testing

Week 2: Regression Analysis

Linear Regression
Scattering
Theory of Correlation
Multiple Regression

Week 3: Time Series Analysis I

Autocorrelation Functions
Harmonic Analysis
Power Spectrum Analysis

Week 4: Time Series Analysis II

Space-Time Spectral Analysis
Filtering of Time Series

Week 5 – Principal Component Analysis

Empirical Orthogonal Function (EOF)
Rotate EOF

*** FINAL ***

