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## 極端降雨空間變異分析模擬與應用

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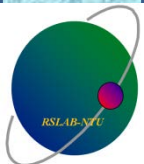
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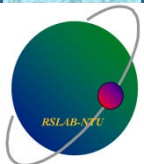
# Outline

- **Introduction**
- **Improving accuracy of frequency analysis**
  - Presence of outliers (extraordinary rainfall extremes)
  - Spatial correlation (non-Gaussian random field simulation)
- **Frequency analysis of multi-site rainfall extremes**



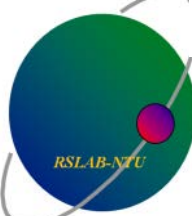
# Introduction

- **Frequent occurrences of disasters induced by heavy rainfalls in Taiwan**
  - Landslides
  - Debris flows
  - Flooding and urban inundation
- **Increasing occurrences of rainfall extremes (some of them are record breaking) in recent years**
- **Almost all of the long-duration rainfall extremes (longer than 12 hours) were produced by typhoons.**



# Examples of annual max events in Taiwan

Design durations	1965-year										
	Duration(hrs)*	1	2	3	4	6	12	18	24	48	72
Hosoliau	9/5	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18
Wutuh	6/11	8/21	9/6	9/6	9/6	9/6	9/6	8/18	8/18	8/18	8/18
Design durations	1969-year										
	Duration(hrs)*	1	2	3	4	6	12	18	24	48	72
Hosoliau	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	9/26	9/26	9/9	9/9	9/9	9/9	9/9
Wutuh	9/21	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8
Design durations	1974-year										
	Duration(hrs)*	1	2	3	4	6	12	18	24	48	72
Hosoliau	9/27	9/27	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11
Wutuh	9/15	9/15	10/11	10/11	9/15	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11



1983-year

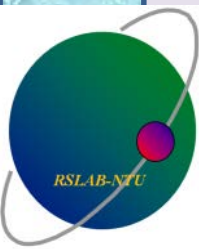
Duration(hrs)*	1	2	3	4	6	12	18	24	48	72
Hosoliau	5/23	5/23	5/23	5/23	5/23	10/10	10/10	10/10	10/10	10/10
Wutuh	10/1	10/1	6/3	6/3	6/3	10/1	10/1	10/1	10/1	10/1

1987-year

Duration(hrs)*	1	2	3	4	6	12	18	24	48	72
Hosoliau	7/26	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22
Wutuh	10/22	7/26	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22	10/22

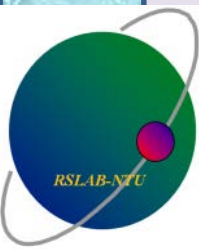
1994-year


Duration(hrs)*	1	2	3	4	6	12	18	24	48	72
Hosoliau	6/18	6/18	6/18	6/18	6/18	10/9	10/9	10/9	10/9	10/9
Wutuh	6/18	6/18	6/18	9/12	9/12	9/12	9/12	9/12	9/12	9/12



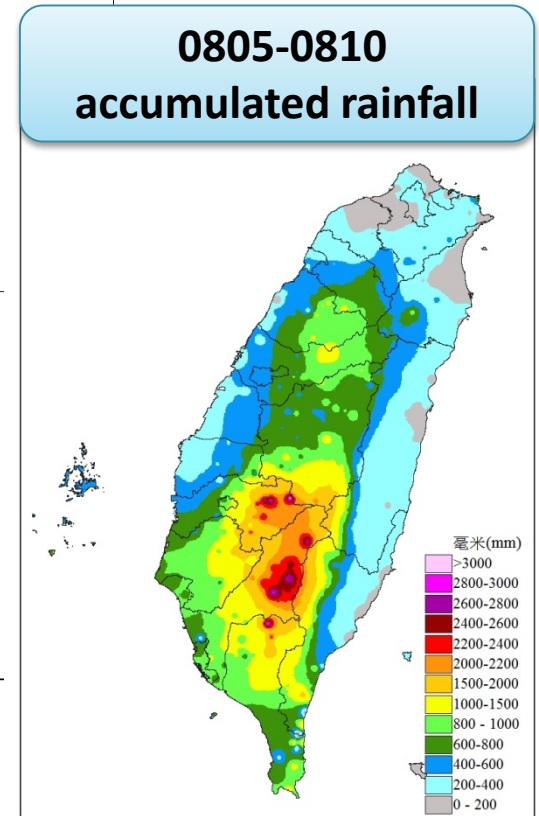
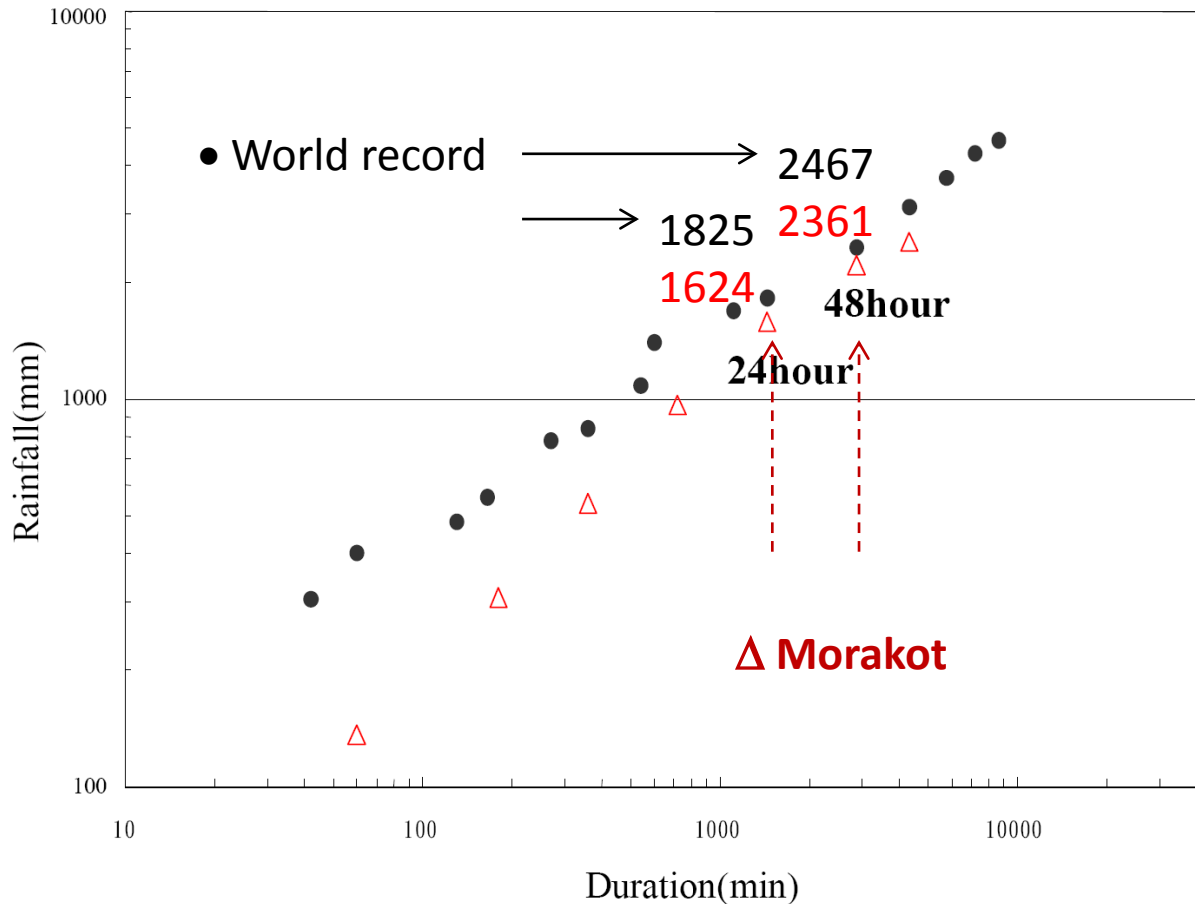
19840624	<a href="#">WYNNE魏恩</a>	26	7	0.269231
19850626	-	28	6	0.214286
19860919	<a href="#">ABBY艾貝</a>	28	11	0.392857
19870727	<a href="#">ALEX亞力士</a>	28	11	0.392857
19880813	-	18	10	0.555556
19890912	<a href="#">SARAH莎拉</a>	25	20	0.8
19900623	<a href="#">OFELIA歐菲莉</a>	28	16	0.571429
19910622	-	26	8	0.307692
19920830	<a href="#">POLLY寶莉</a>	27	18	0.666667
19930912	<a href="#">ABE亞伯</a>	20	10	0.5
19940803	<a href="#">CAITLIN凱特琳</a>	28	19	0.678571
19950608	<a href="#">DEANNA荻安娜</a>	28	13	0.464286
19960731	<a href="#">HERB賀伯</a>	28	21	0.75
19970828	<a href="#">AMBER安珀</a>	26	13	0.5
19980804	<a href="#">OTTO奧托</a>	27	14	0.518519
19990811	-	27	6	0.222222
20000822	<a href="#">BILIS碧利斯</a>	27	17	0.62963
20010917	<a href="#">NARI納莉</a>	27	13	0.481481
20020805	-	28	12	0.428571
20030606	-	28	13	0.464286
20040702	<a href="#">MINDULLE敏督利</a>	28	24	0.857143
20050718	<a href="#">HAITANG海棠</a>	28	17	0.607143
20060609	-	28	19	0.678571
20071006	<a href="#">KROSA柯羅莎</a>	28	9	0.321429
20080717	<a href="#">KALMAEGI卡玫基</a>	28	18	0.642857
20090808	<a href="#">MORAKOT莫拉克</a>	27	26	0.962963
20100919	<a href="#">FANAPL凡那比</a>	27	18	0.666667

Proportion of rainfall stations observed annual max rainfalls during the event.



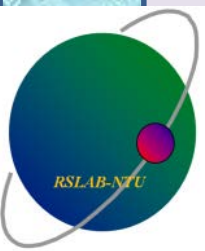
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- A large number of rain gauges maintained by CWB and WRA. Some of them have record length longer than 50 years. Most of them have less than 30 years record length .
  - Design rainfalls play a key role in studies related to climate change and disaster mitigation.
  - Problems in rainfall frequency analysis
    - Short record length (less than 30 years) (**small sample size**)
    - Record breaking rainfall extremes (**presence of extreme outliers**)
      - Typhoon Morakot

# Typhoon Morakot (2009)

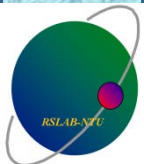





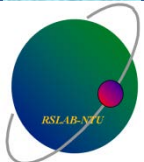
- Catastrophic storm rainfalls (or extraordinary rainfalls) often are considered as extreme outliers. Whether or not such rainfalls should be included in **site-specific** frequency analysis is disputable.
  - 24-hr annual max. rainfalls (**Morakot**) of 2009
    - 甲仙            1077 mm
    - 泰武            1747 mm
    - 大湖山        1329 mm
    - 阿禮            1237 mm



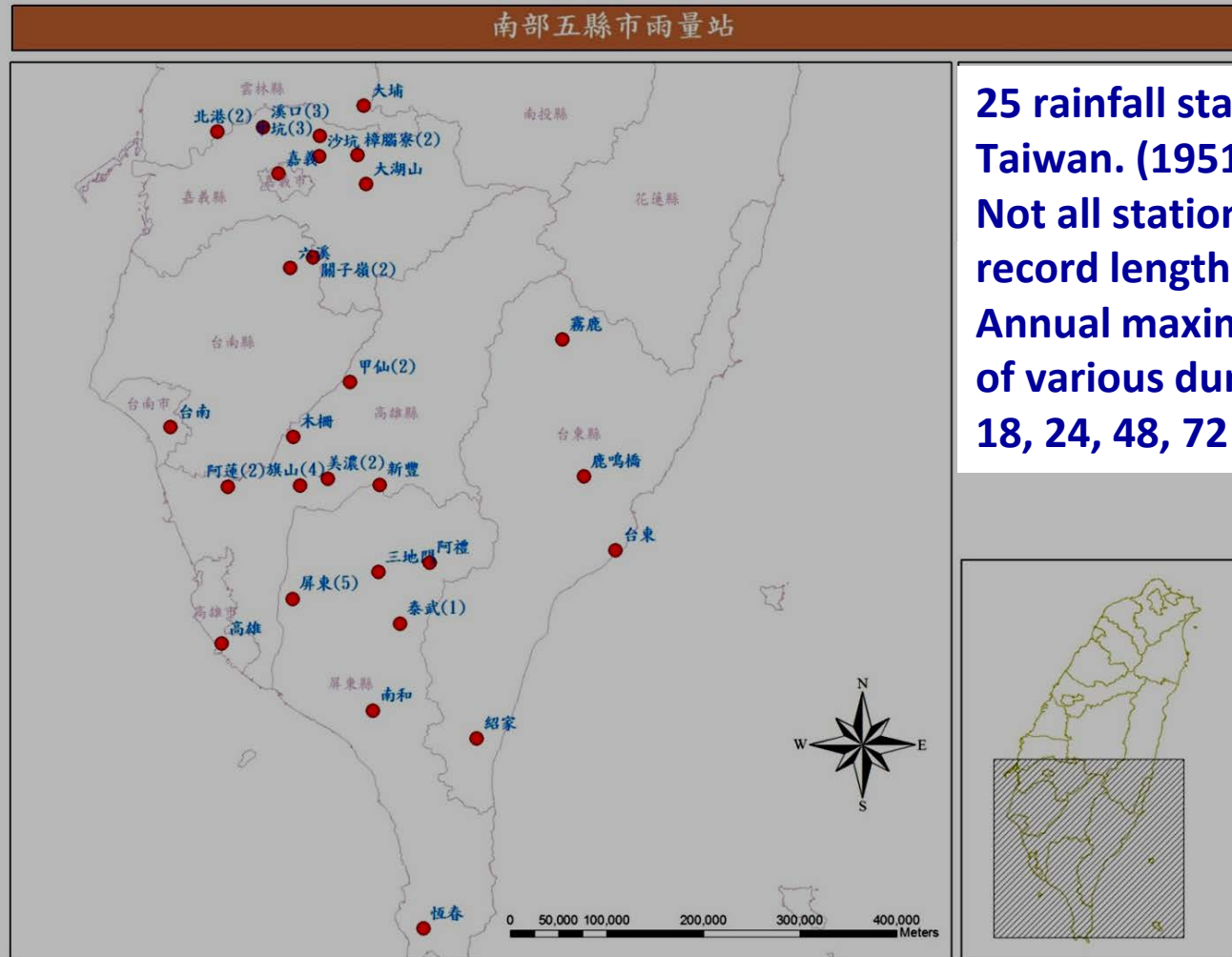
- **Concurrent occurrences of extraordinary rainfalls at different rain gauges**
  - Several stations had 24-hr rainfalls exceeding 100-yr return period.
  - Site-specific events of 100-yr return period.
  - What is the return period of **the event of multi-site 100-yr return period?**
    - $(100)^4 = 100,000,000$  years (4 sites), assuming independence
  - **Redefining extreme events**
    - **multi-site extreme events** w.r.t. specified durations and rainfall thresholds
    - Spatial covariation of rainfall extremes



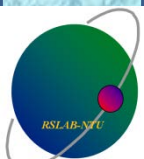
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- **Spatial covariation of rainfall extremes**
    - By using site-specific annual maximum rainfall series for frequency analysis implies a significant loss of valuable information.



# Study area and rainfall stations

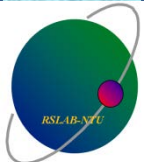


25 rainfall stations in southern Taiwan. (1951 – 2010)  
Not all stations have the same record length.  
Annual maximum rainfalls (AMR) of various durations (1, 2, 6, 12, 18, 24, 48, 72 hours)



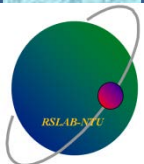
# Event-maximum rainfalls of various design durations

- **Event-max 1, 2, 6, 12, 18, 24, 48, 72-hr typhoon rainfalls at individual sites.**
- **Approximately 120 events**
- **Complete series**



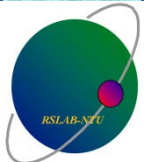
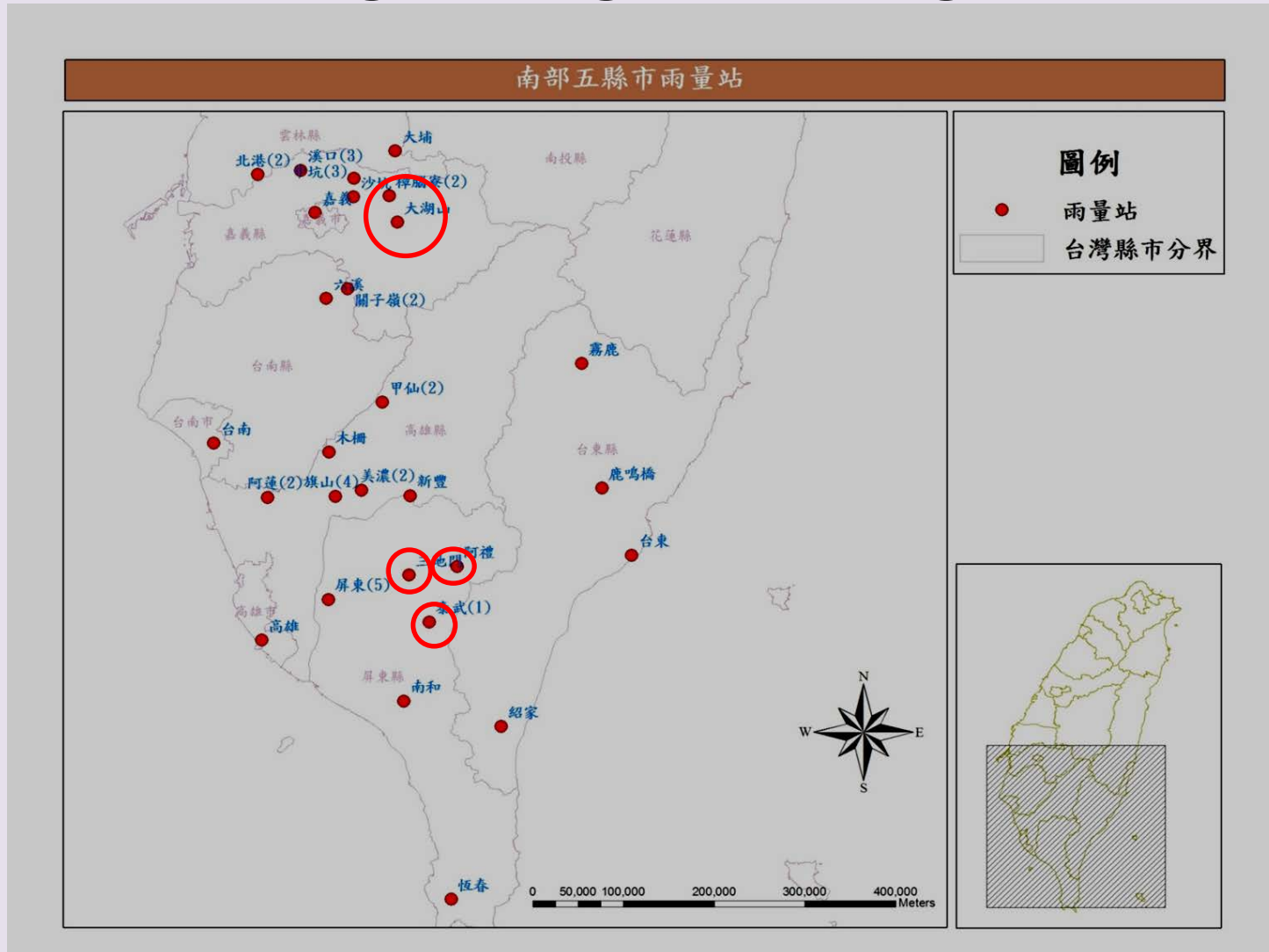
# Delineation of homogeneous regions (K-mean cluster analysis)

- **24 classification features (8 design durations x 3 parameters – mean, std dev, skewness)**
  - Normalization of individual features
- **Two homogeneous regions (25 stations)**



# Regional frequency analysis

- Delineating homogeneous regions

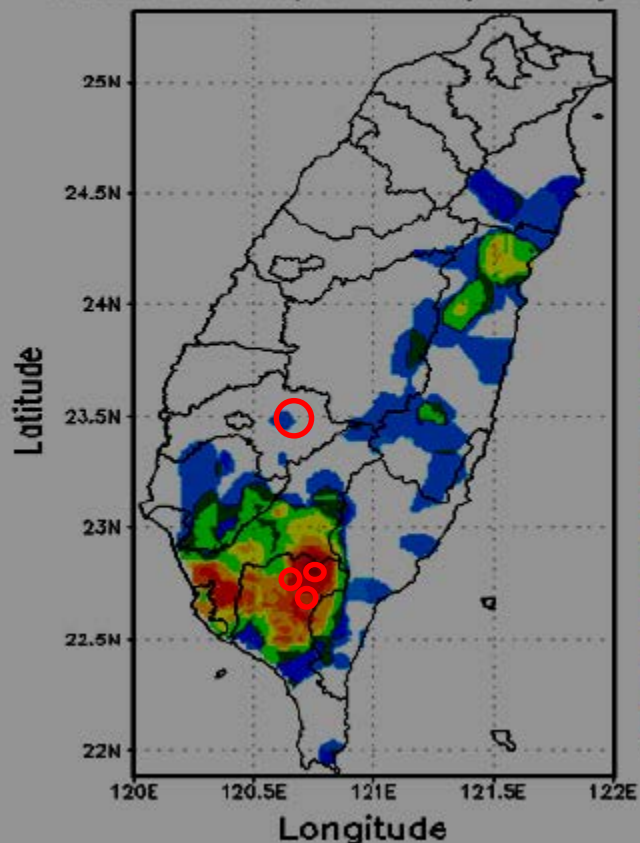


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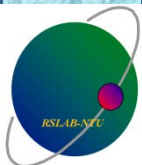
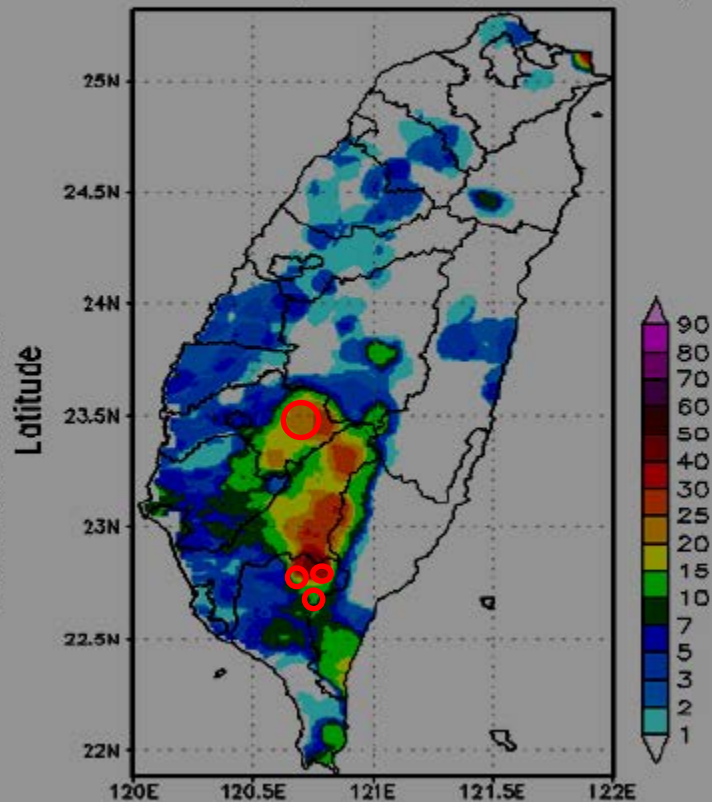
2010 凡那比

2009 莫拉克

FANAPI 091800~092015  
Rainfall Intensity > 40mm/hr Frequency

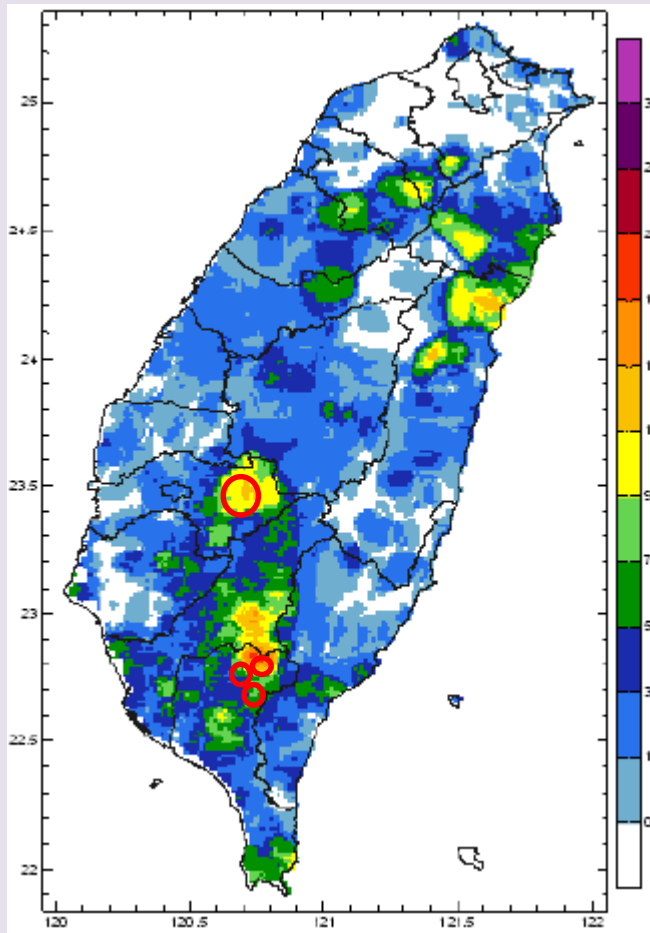


MORAKOT 080521~081006  
Rainfall Intensity > 40mm/hr Frequency

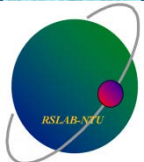




# Hot spots for occurrences of extreme rainfalls

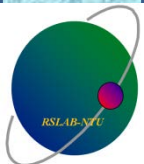


**1992 – 2010**  
**Number of extreme typhoon events**

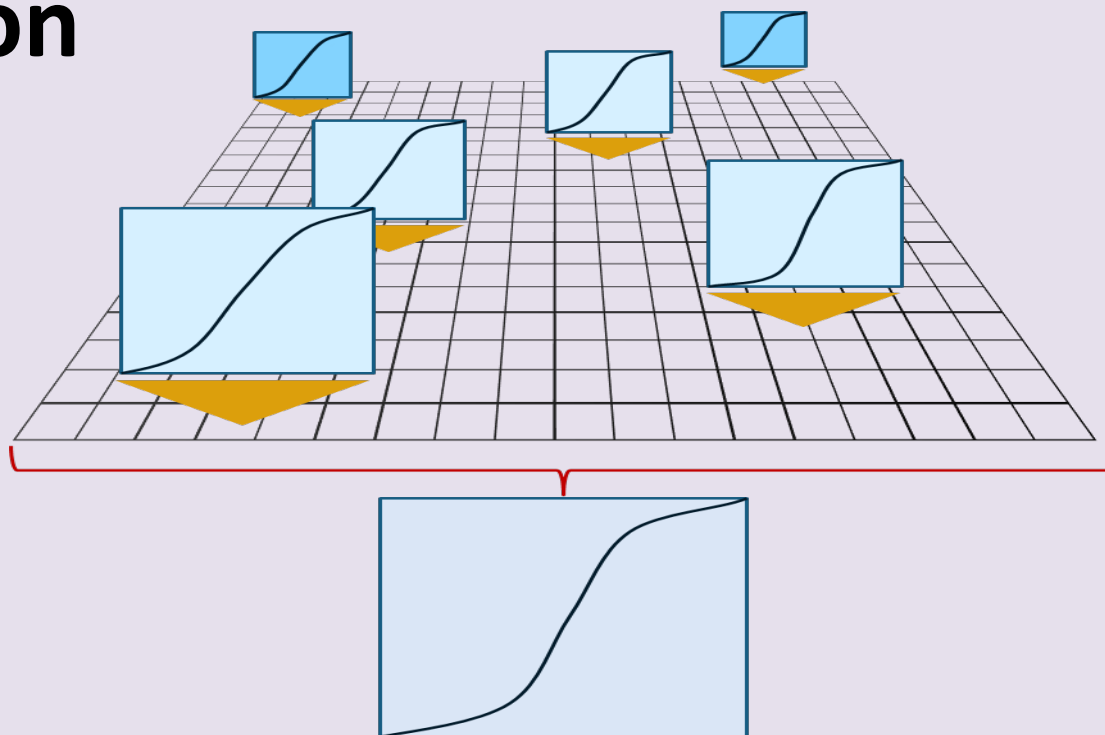


# Rescaled variables for regional frequency analysis – Frequency factors

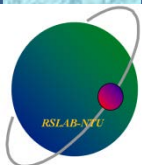
$$K_{ijk} = \frac{x_{ijk} - \mu_{ik}}{\sigma_{ik}}$$



# Goodness-of-fit test and parameters estimation



- L-moment ratio diagrams (LMRD) for goodness-of-fit test
  - \* Pearson Type 3 distribution
- Parameters estimation
  - \* Method of L-moments
  - \* Record-length-weighted regional parameters



# L-moment-ratio diagram GOF test

甲仙 (2) , t = 24hr

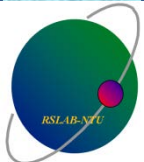
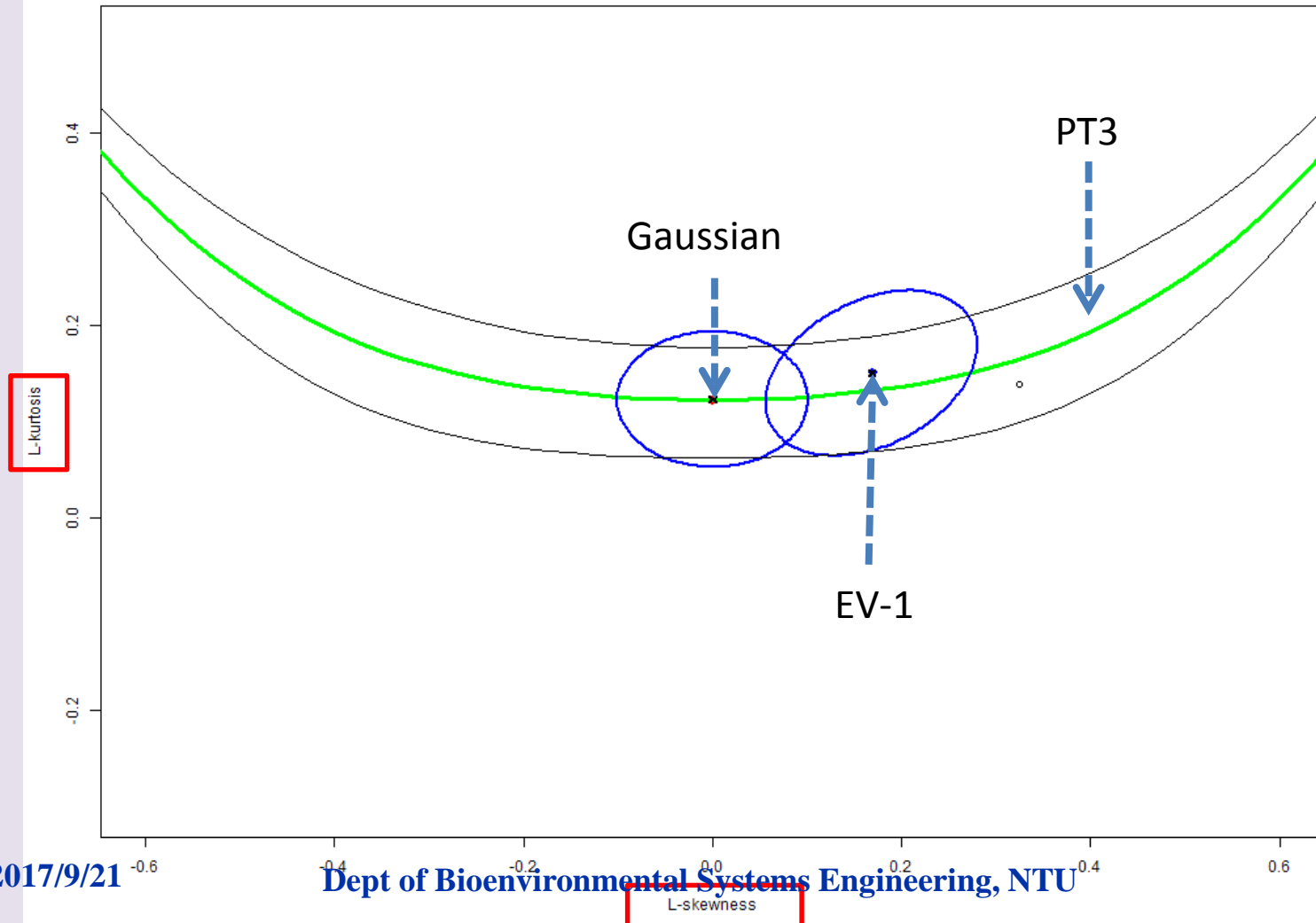
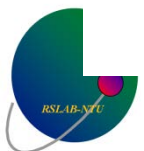
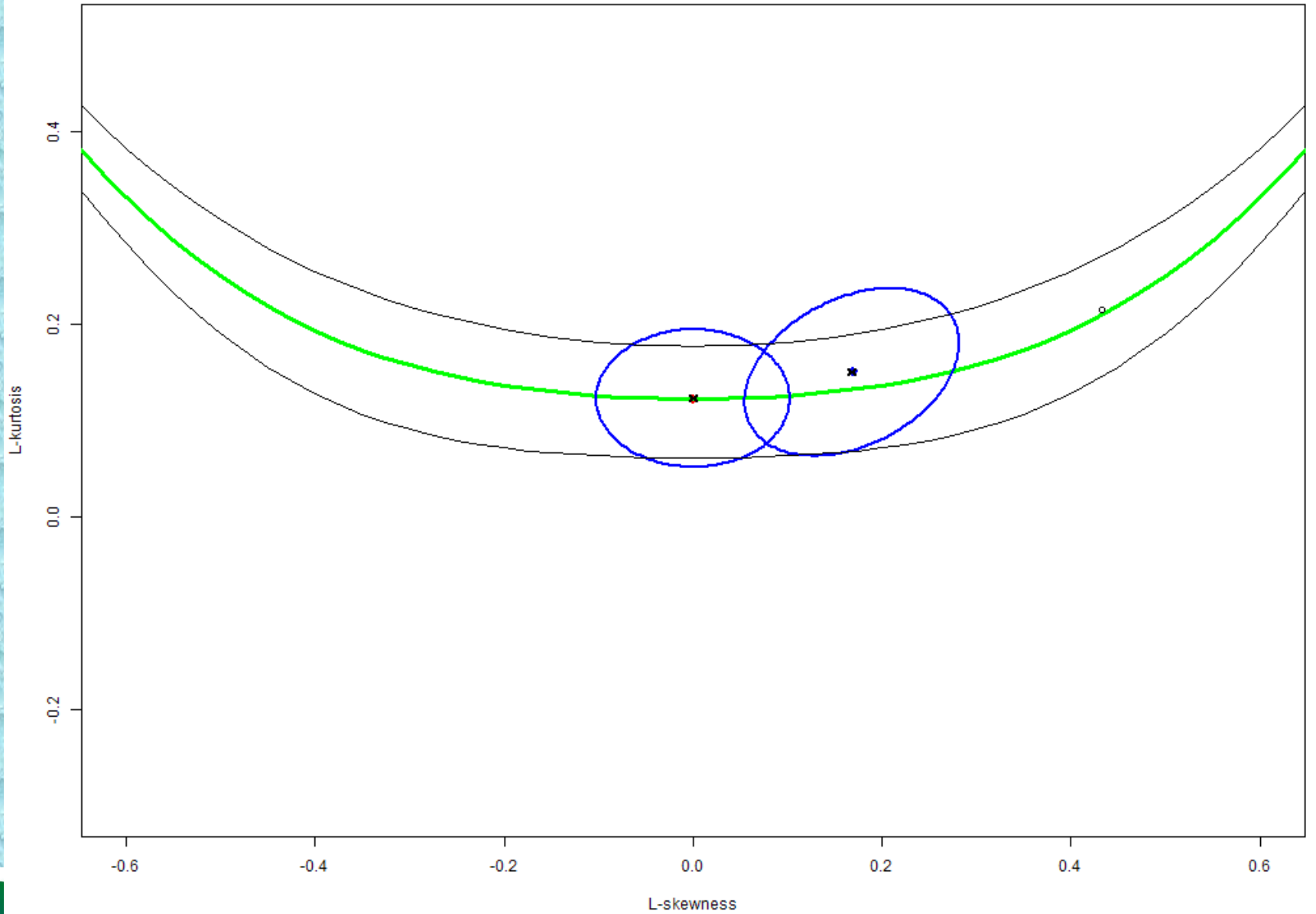
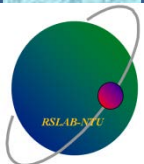


圖 8 t = 24hr L-moment Ratio Diagram for GOF Tests



# Covariance structure of the random field

- Covariance matrices are semi-positive definite.
- Experimental covariance matrices often do not satisfy the semi-positive definite condition.
- Modeling the covariance structure of frequency factors (event-max rainfalls) by variogram modeling.

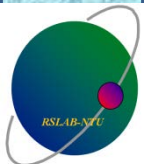
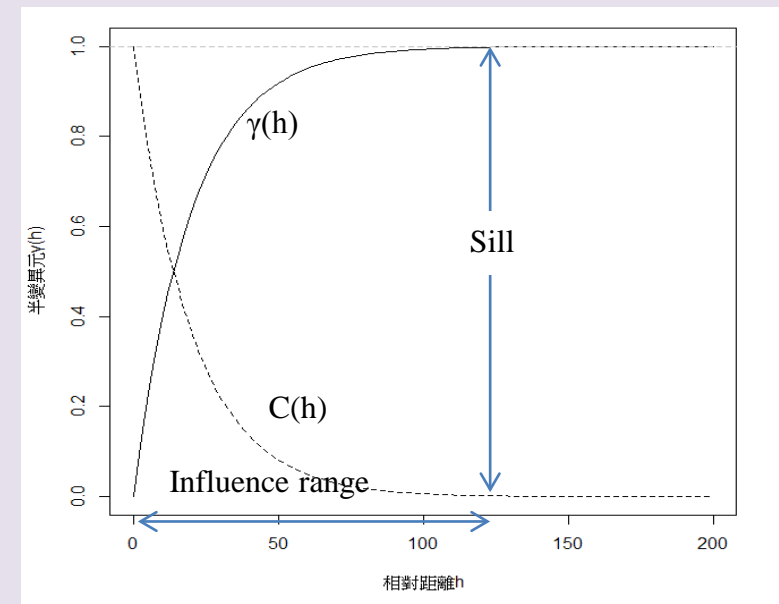


# Relationship between semivariogram and covariance function

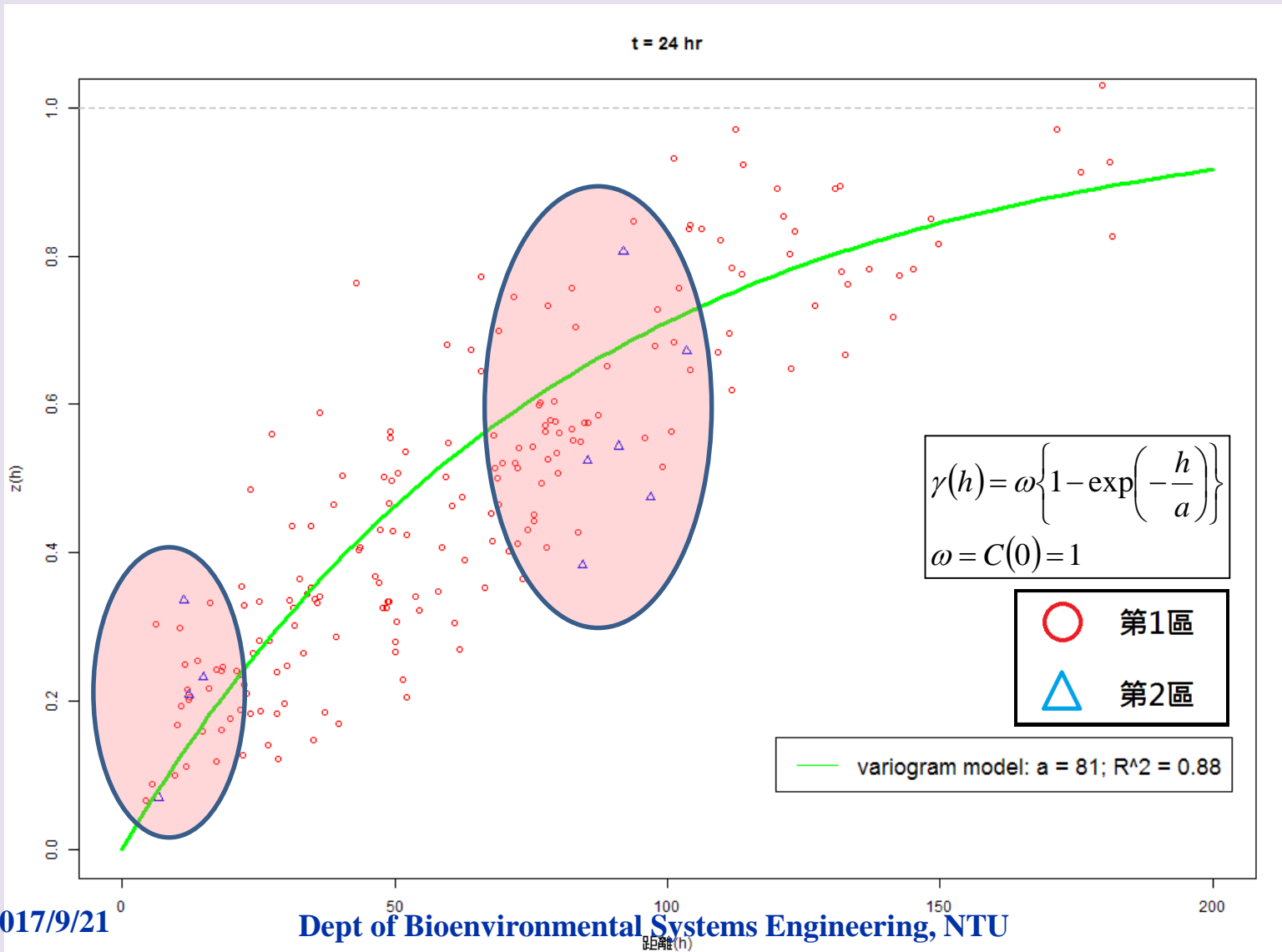
$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(h) &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Var}[Z(x+h) - Z(x)] \\ &= C(0) - C(h)\end{aligned}$$

$$C(x_i, x_j) = C(h)$$

$$\text{sill} = C(0) = 1$$

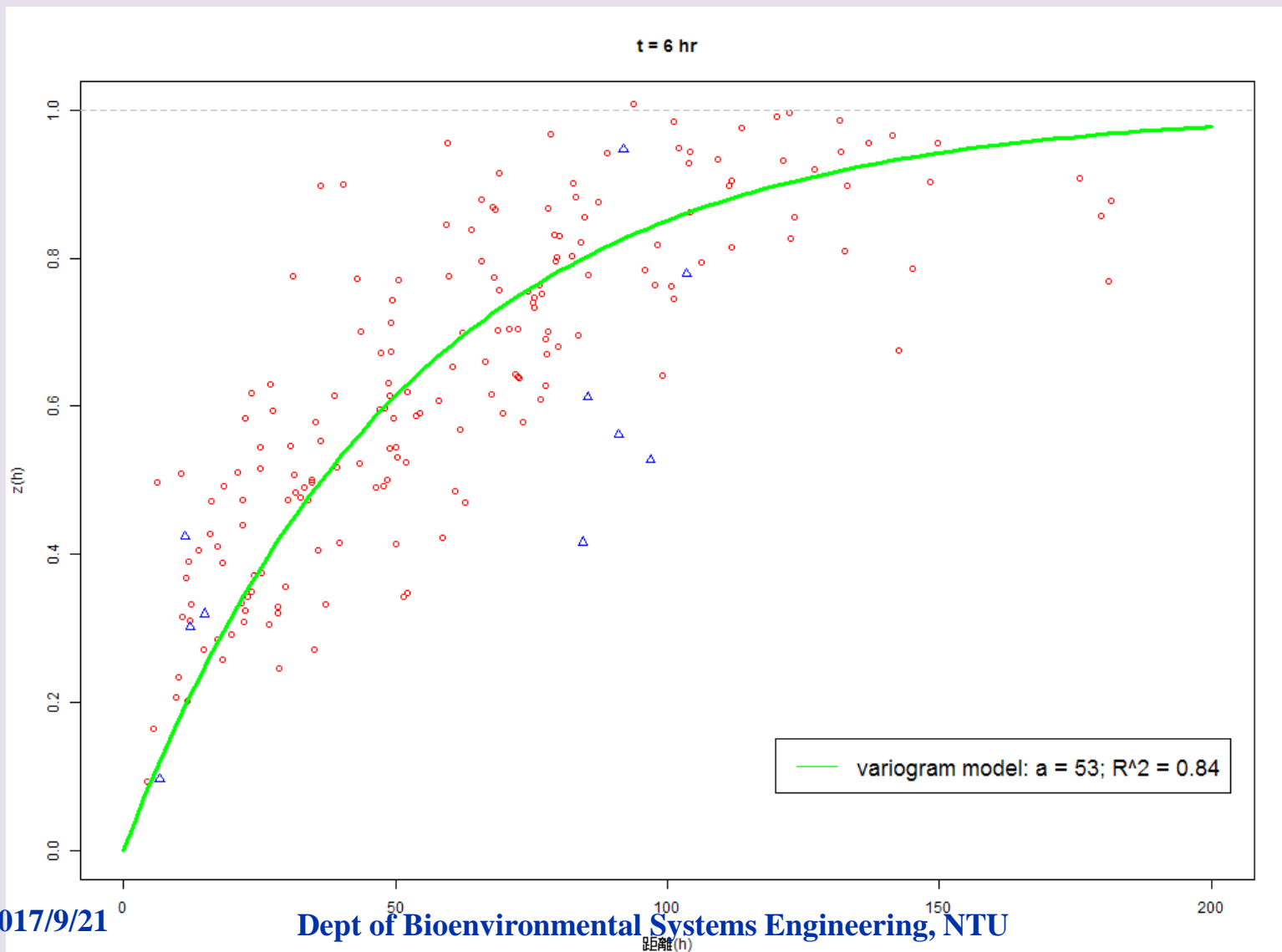


# Semi-variogram modeling (24-hr EMR)





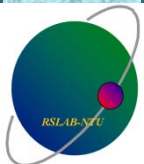
# Semi-variograms of EMRs of other durations



# Stochastic Simulation of

## Multi-site Event-Max Rainfalls

- **Pearson type III (Non-Gaussian) random field simulation**
- **Covariance Transformation Approach**
  - Covariance matrix of multivariate PT3 distribution
  - Covariance matrix of multivariate standard Gaussian distribution
  - Multivariate Gaussian simulation
  - Transforming simulated multivariate Gaussian realizations to PT3 realizations

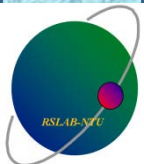


# $\rho_{XY} \sim \rho_{UV}$ Conversion

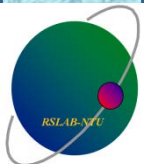
$$\rho_{XY} \approx (A_X A_Y - 3A_X C_Y - 3C_X A_Y + 9C_X C_Y) \rho_{UV} + 2B_X B_Y \rho_{UV}^2 + 6C_X C_Y \rho_{UV}^3$$

$$A_X = 1 + \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^4 \quad B_X = \frac{\gamma_X}{6} - \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^3 \quad C_X = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^2$$

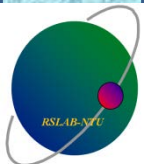
$$A_Y = 1 + \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^4 \quad B_Y = \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} - \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^3 \quad C_Y = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^2$$



- Each simulation run generated one sample of t-hr multi-site event maximum rainfalls.
- Simulated samples preserved the spatial covariation of multi-site EMRs as well as the marginal distributions.
- **10,000 samples were generated.**
  - Multi-site t-hr EMRs of 10,000 typhoon events.
- **The number of typhoons vary from one year to another.**
  - **Annual count of typhoons is a random variable.**



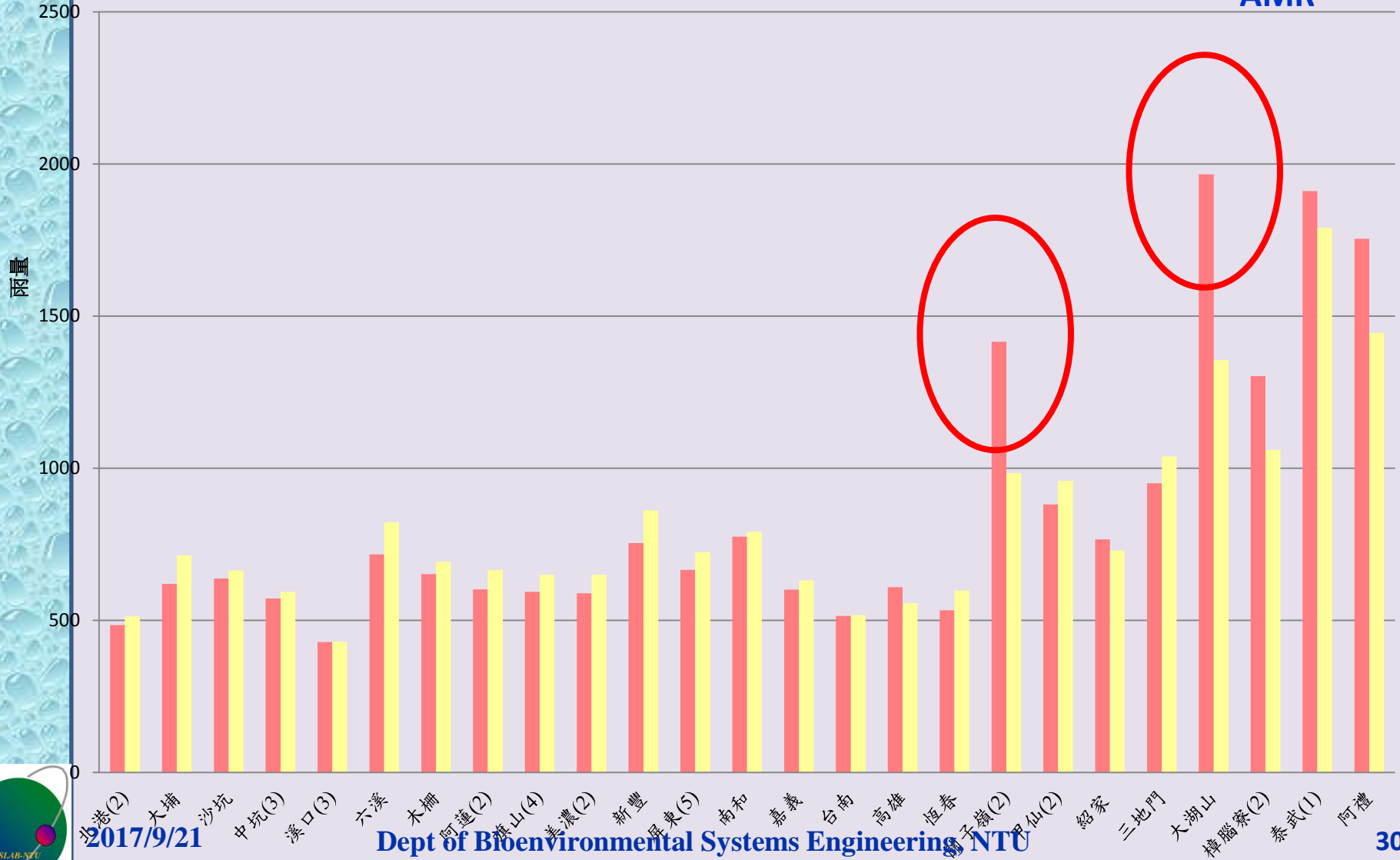
- **Determination of t-hr rainfall of T-yr return period**
  - Average number of typhoons per year,  $m = 2.43$
  - Return period,  $T=100$  years
  - Exceedance probability of the event-max rainfalls,  
 $p_E = 1/(100 * 2.43)$



# Return period, T = 50yr

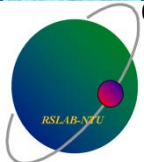
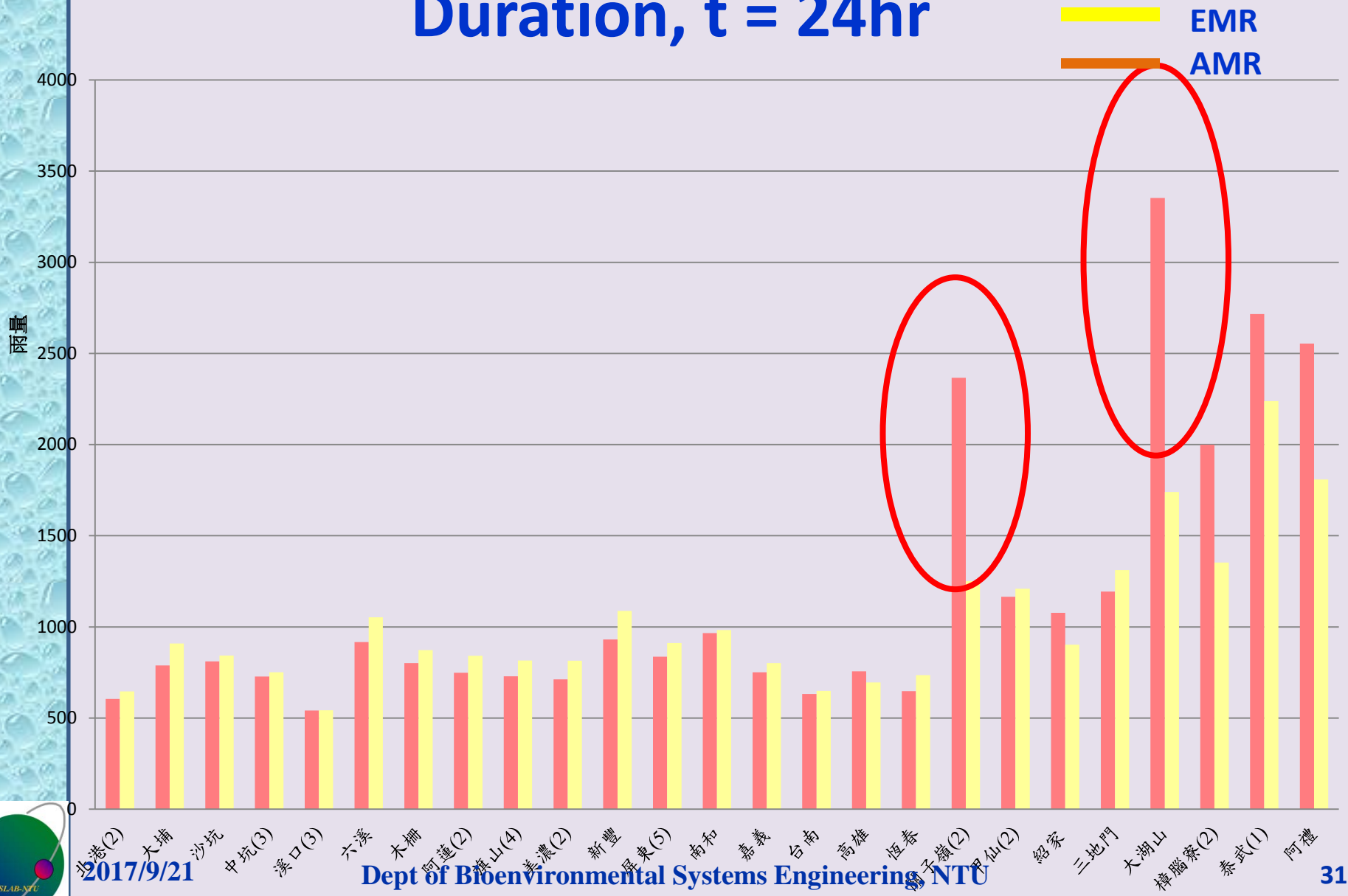
## Duration, t = 24hr

EMR  
AMR



# Return Period, T = 200yr

## Duration, t = 24hr



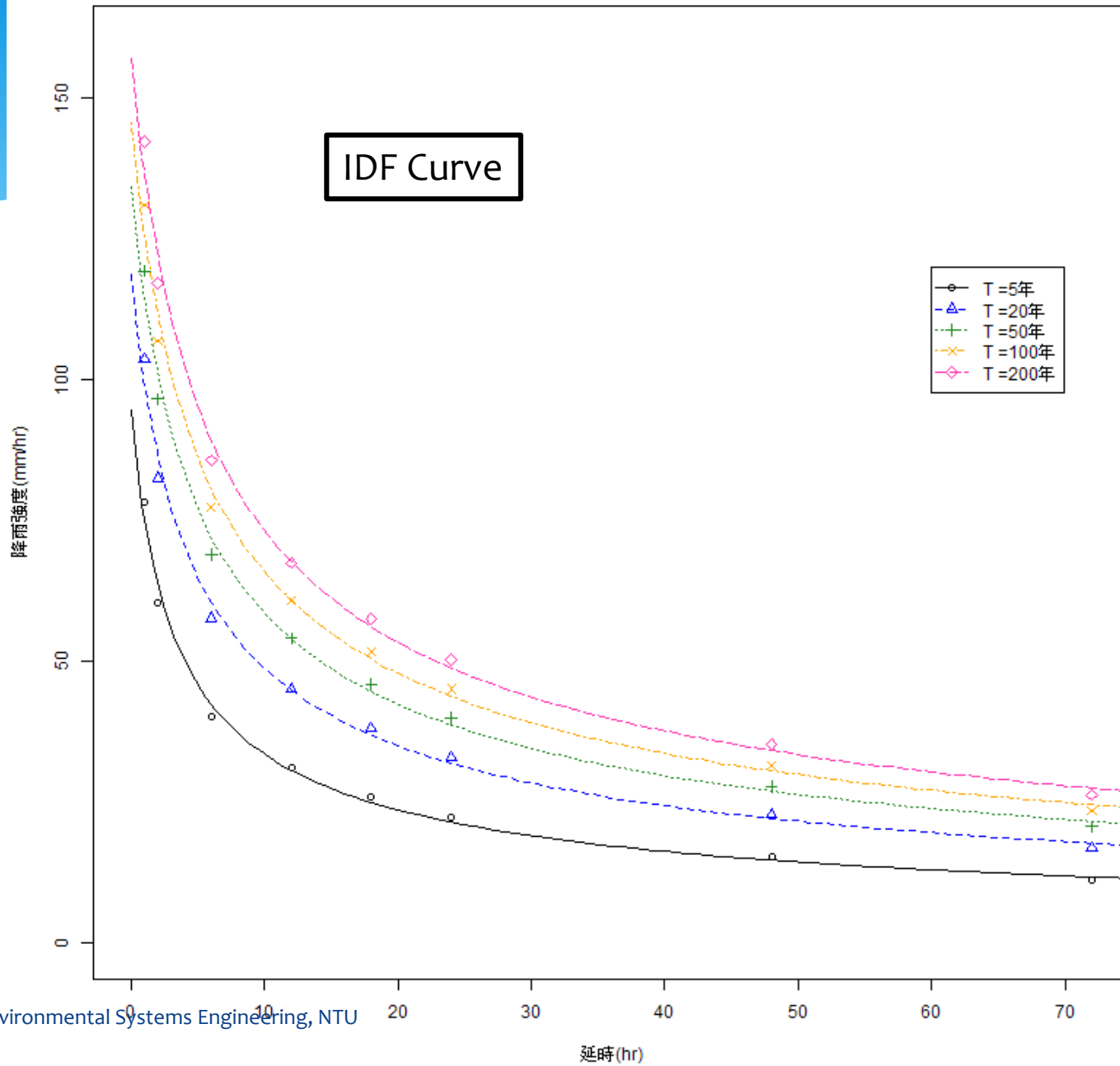
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	24hr雨量(mm)	24hr重現期(年)	48hr雨量(mm)	48hr重現期(年)	72hr雨量(mm)	72hr重現期(年)
北港(2)	358	11	433	11	460	12
大埔	720	53	921	57	1069	118
沙坑	607	32	759	31	888	52
中坑(3)	497	24	636	26	744	42
溪口(3)	324	15	403	16	450	24
六溪	791	43	1024	55	1122	59
木柵	778	102	1037	54	1188	80
阿蓮(2)	630	41	868	42	924	41
旗山(4)	519	17	760	23	819	22
美濃(2)	338	4	509	6	569	6
新豐	908	63	1179	51	1195	36
屏東(5)	676	40	878	45	938	45
南和	614	15	988	39	1100	62
嘉義	526	22	646	17	697	24
台南	535	61	709	53	736	42
高雄	538	40	755	57	801	53
恆春	528	27	715	34	730	28
關子嶺(2)	1098	92	1490	126	1683	221
甲仙(2)	1040	65	1614	177	1915	204
紹家	818	110	1176	141	1333	130
三地門	825	18	1109	25	1235	29
大湖山	1329	48	1958	89	2533	306
樟腦寮(2)	868	22	1395	55	1846	141
泰武(1)	1747	47	2938	121	3417	171
阿禮	1237	23	1908	38	2335	66

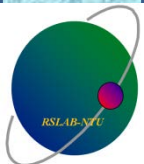



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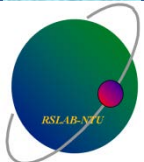


# Estimating return period of multisite Morakot rainfall extremes

- **Four rain gauges within the Kaoping River Basin recorded 24-hr rainfalls close to 1,000mm (908, 1040, 825, 1237 mm).**
- **Define a multi-site extreme event**
  - over 1,000 mm 24-hr-rainfalls at all four sites
  - Among the 10,000 simulated events, only 8 events satisfied the above requirement.
  - Average number of typhoons per year,  $m=2.43$
  - Multi-site extreme event return period  $T = 514$  years.

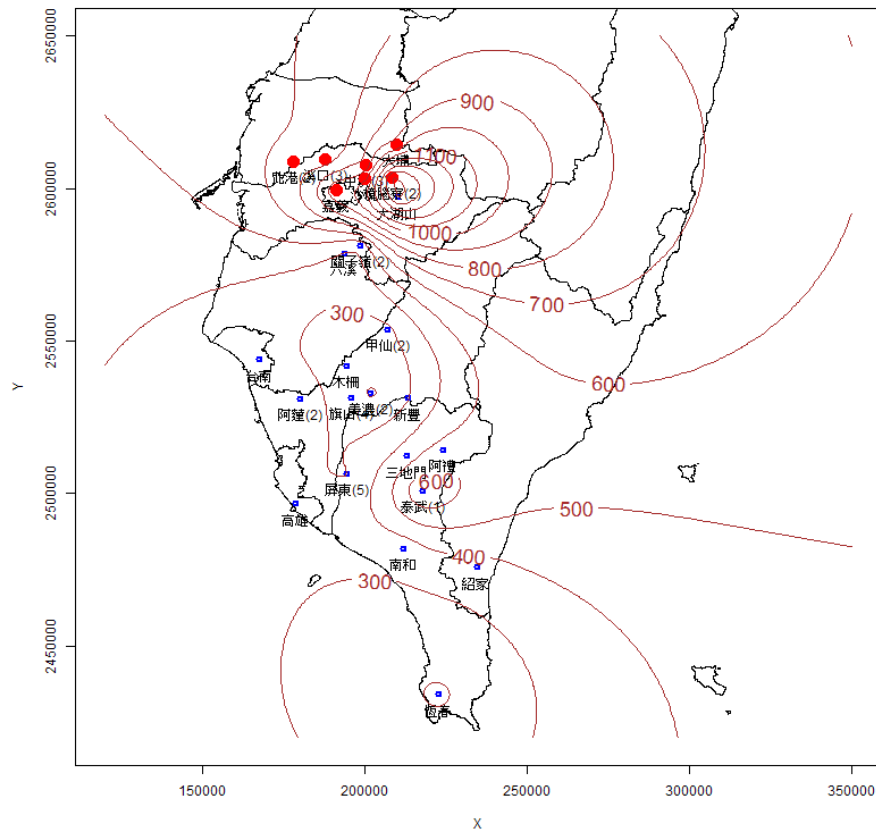


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- **Further look at the simulation results**
    - Preserving the spatial pattern of rainfall extremes

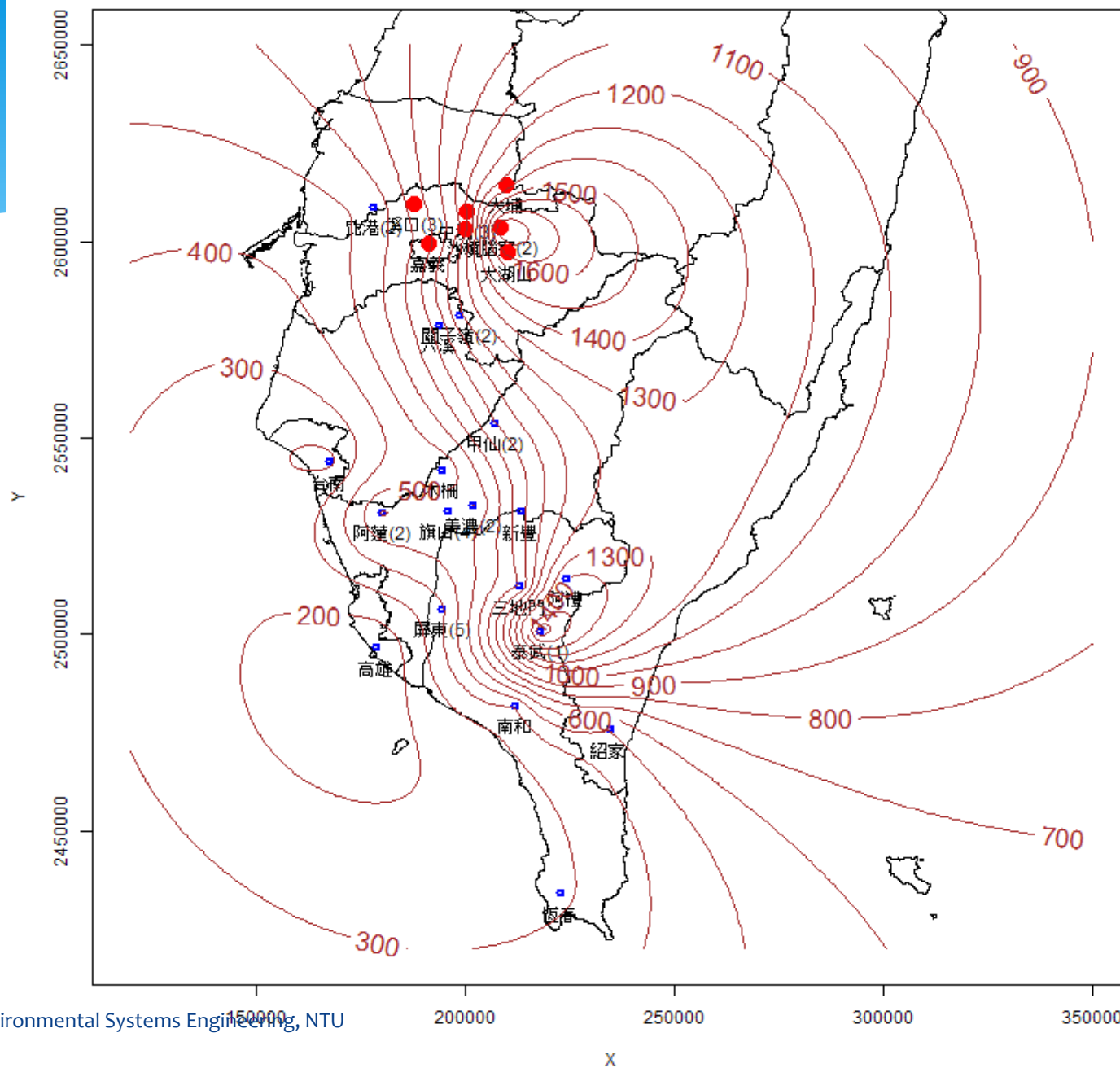


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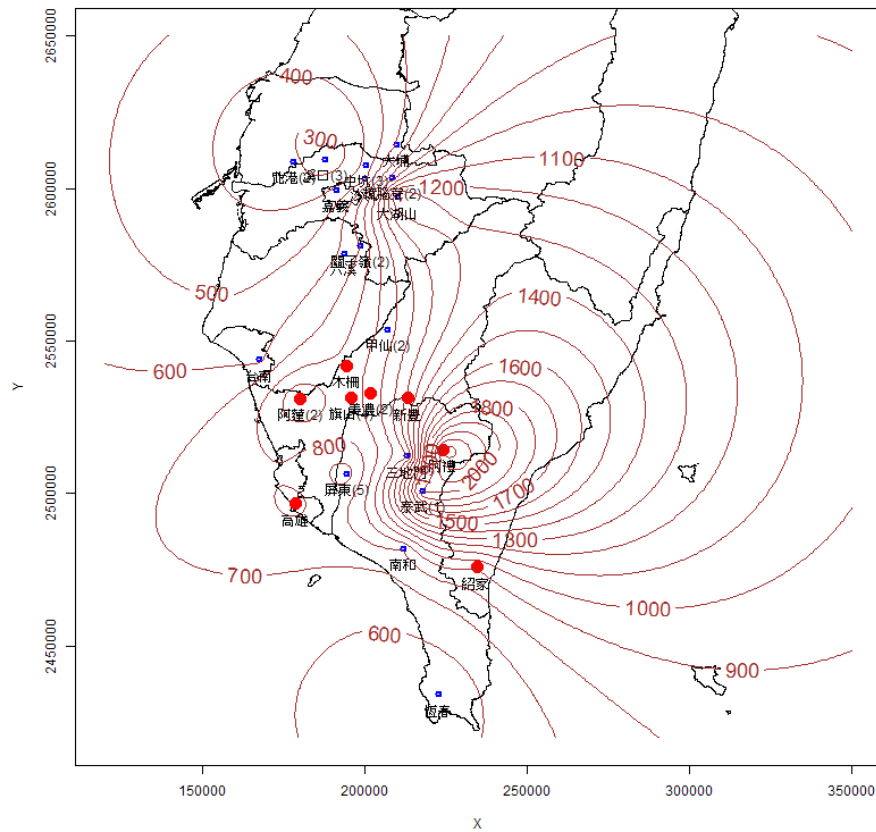


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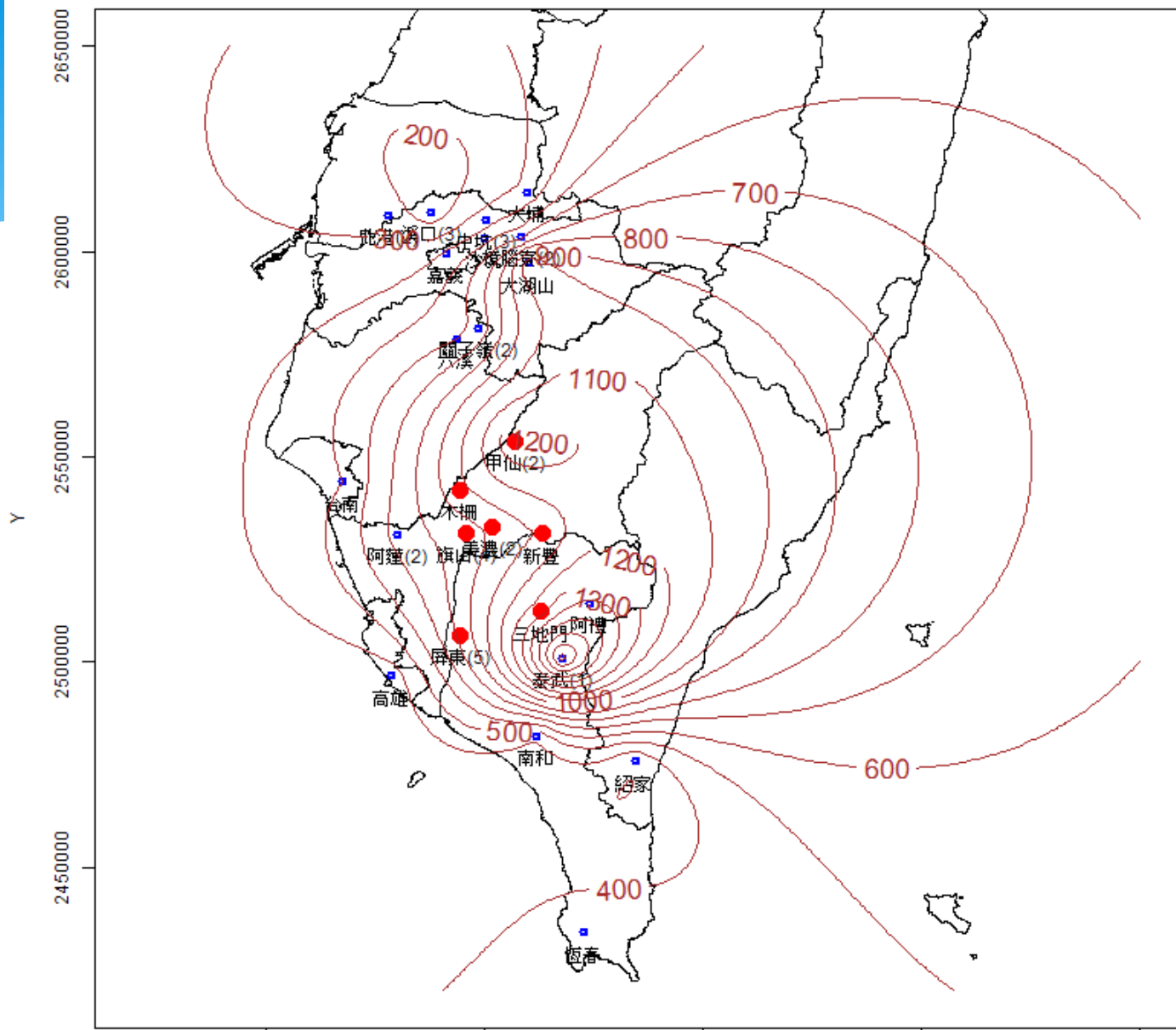


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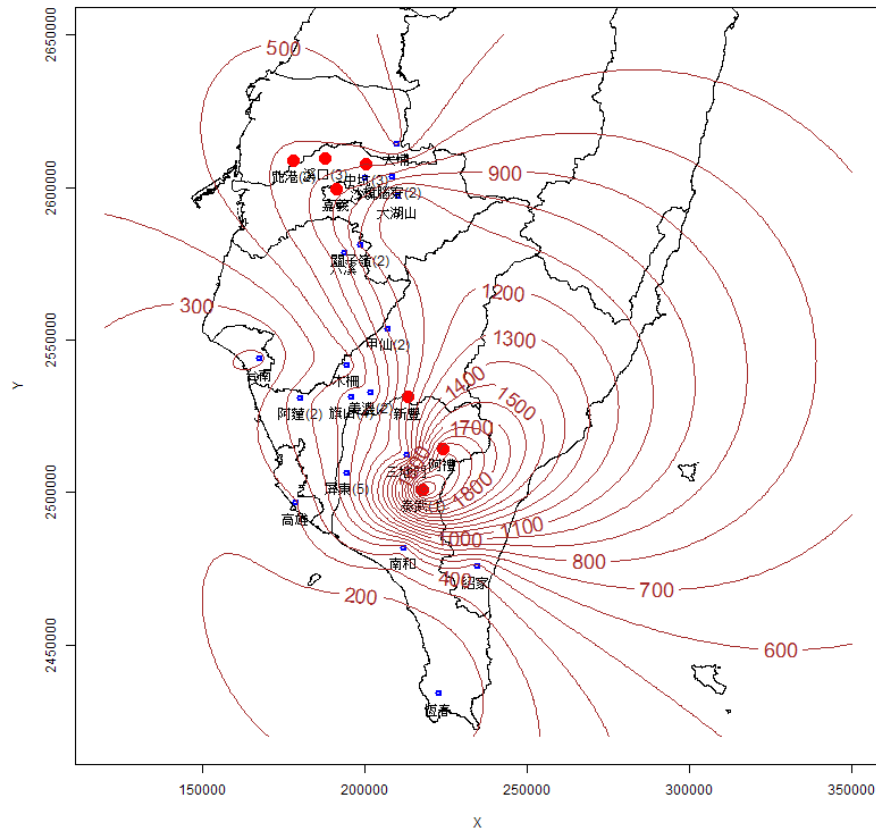


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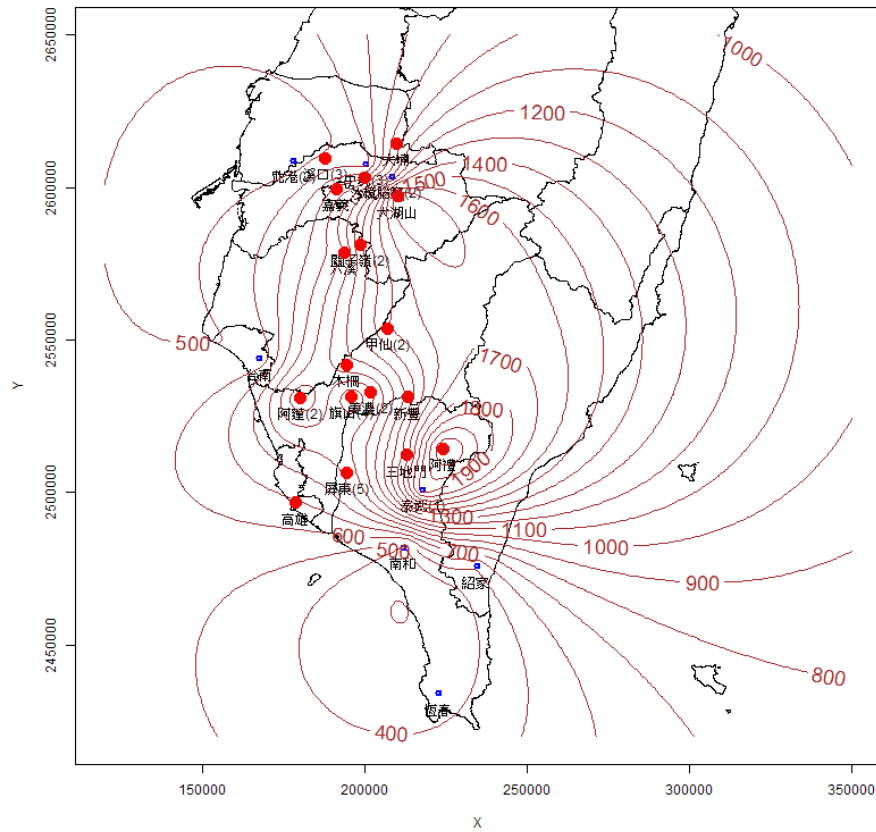




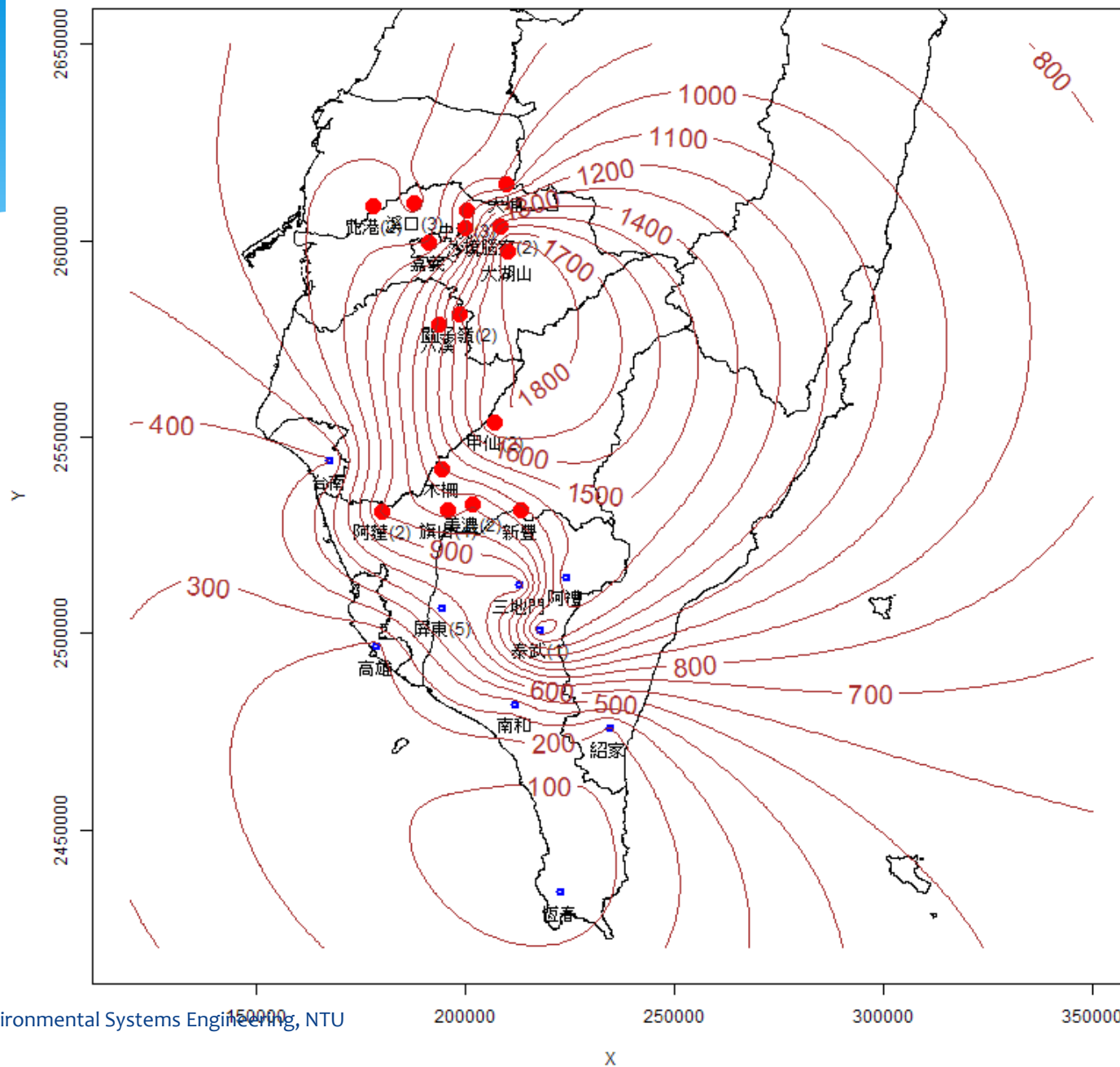


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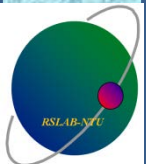


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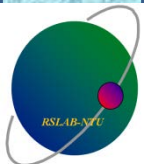
# Summary

- **We developed a stochastic approach for simulation of multi-site event-max rainfalls to cope with the problems of outliers and short record length in hydrological frequency analysis.**
- **By increasing the sample size and considering the spatial covariation of EMRs, the return periods of site-specific and multi-site rainfall extremes can be better estimated.**



# Suggestions

- **Establish an archive of storm events**
  - Seasonal and storm-type specific
  - Will be very helpful for meteorological and hydrological studies (climate change detection, freq. analysis, etc.)
- **Form a meteo-hydrology (hydro-meteorology) working group**

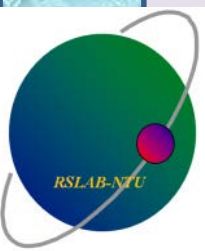


# Rationale of BVG simulation using frequency factor

- From the view point of random number generation, the frequency factor can be considered as a random variable  $K$ , and  $K_T$  is a value of  $K$  with exceedence probability  $1/T$ .
- Frequency factor of the Pearson type III distribution can be approximated by

Standard normal deviate

$$K_T \approx z + (z^2 - 1) \frac{\gamma_X}{6} + \frac{1}{3} (z^3 - 6z) \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 - (z^2 - 1) \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^3 + z \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^4 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^5 \quad [A]$$

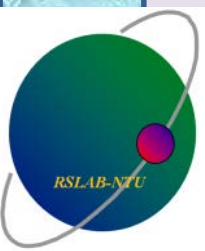


- **General equation for hydrological frequency analysis**

$$X_T = \mu_X + K_T \sigma_X$$

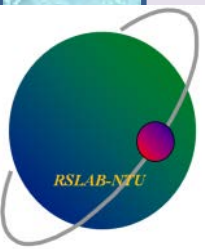
Given  $\mu_X$ ,  $\sigma_X$  and  $\gamma_X$ , if we can generate a set of random numbers of  $K$ , say  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n$ , then a random sample of  $X$ , say  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ , can be obtained by  $x_i = \mu_X + k_i \sigma_X$ .

Note that each  $k_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , corresponds to its own exceedence probability  $1/T_i$ .



- The gamma distribution is a special case of the Pearson type III distribution with a zero location parameter. Therefore, it seems plausible to generate random samples of a bivariate gamma distribution based on two jointly distributed frequency factors.

$$K_T \approx z + (z^2 - 1) \frac{\gamma_X}{6} + \frac{1}{3} (z^3 - 6z) \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 - (z^2 - 1) \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^3 + z \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^4 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^5 \quad [A]$$





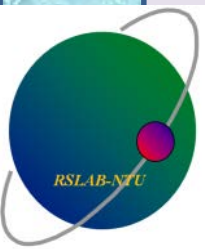
# Gamma density

$$f_X(x; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\alpha \Gamma(\beta)} \left( \frac{x}{\alpha} \right)^{\beta-1} e^{-x/\alpha}, \quad 0 \leq x < +\infty$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\beta}} > 0 \quad \beta = \left( \frac{2}{\gamma} \right)^2 > 0 \quad \mu = \alpha\beta = \sigma\sqrt{\beta} > 0$$

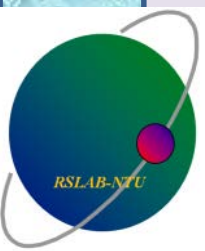
$\mu$ ,  $\sigma$ , and  $\gamma$  are the mean, standard deviation, and skewness coefficient of  $X$  (or  $Y$ ), respectively, and  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are respectively the scale and shape parameters of the gamma density.

$$\sigma = \frac{\mu\gamma}{2}$$



$$K_T \approx z + (z^2 - 1) \frac{\gamma_X}{6} + \frac{1}{3} (z^3 - 6z) \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 - (z^2 - 1) \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^3 + z \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^4 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^5$$

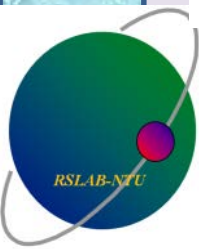
- Assume two gamma random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed.
- The two random variables are respectively associated with their frequency factors  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$ .
- Equation (A) indicates that the frequency factor  $K_X$  of a random variable  $X$  with gamma density is approximated by a function of the **standard normal deviate** and the **coefficient of skewness** of the gamma density.



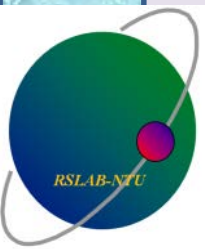
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Simulation of the frequency factor  $K_X$  can be achieved by generating a random sample of the standard normal deviate  $U$ , say  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ , and then utilizing Eq. (A) to obtain  $k_{x_1}, k_{x_2}, \dots, k_{x_n}$  from  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ .

However, for a bivariate gamma density  $f_{XY}(x, y)$ , the two frequency factors  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$  are correlated through two correlated standard normal deviates  $U$  and  $V$ , with a correlation coefficient  $\rho_{UV}$ .



- Thus, random number generation of the second frequency factor  $K_y$  must take into consideration the correlation between  $K_x$  and  $K_y$  which stems from the correlation between  $U$  and  $V$ .

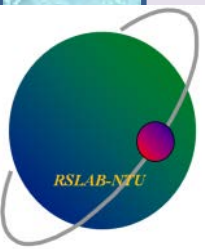


# Conditional normal density

- Given a random number of  $U$ , say  $u$ , the conditional density of  $V$  is expressed by the following conditional normal density

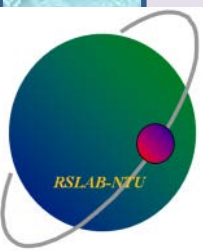
$$\phi_{V|U}(v | U = u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1 - \rho_{UV}^2)}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{v - \rho_{UV}u}{\sqrt{1 - \rho_{UV}^2}} \right]^2\right\}$$

with mean  $\rho_{UV}u$  and variance  $1 - \rho_{UV}^2$ .



Thus, based on a random sample  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  of  $U$ , a random sample of  $V$ , say  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ , can be generated by a normal random number generator with means  $\rho_{UV}u_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) and variance  $1 - \rho_{UV}^2$ .

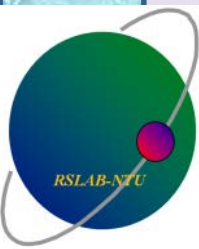
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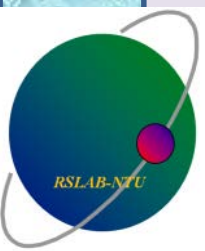
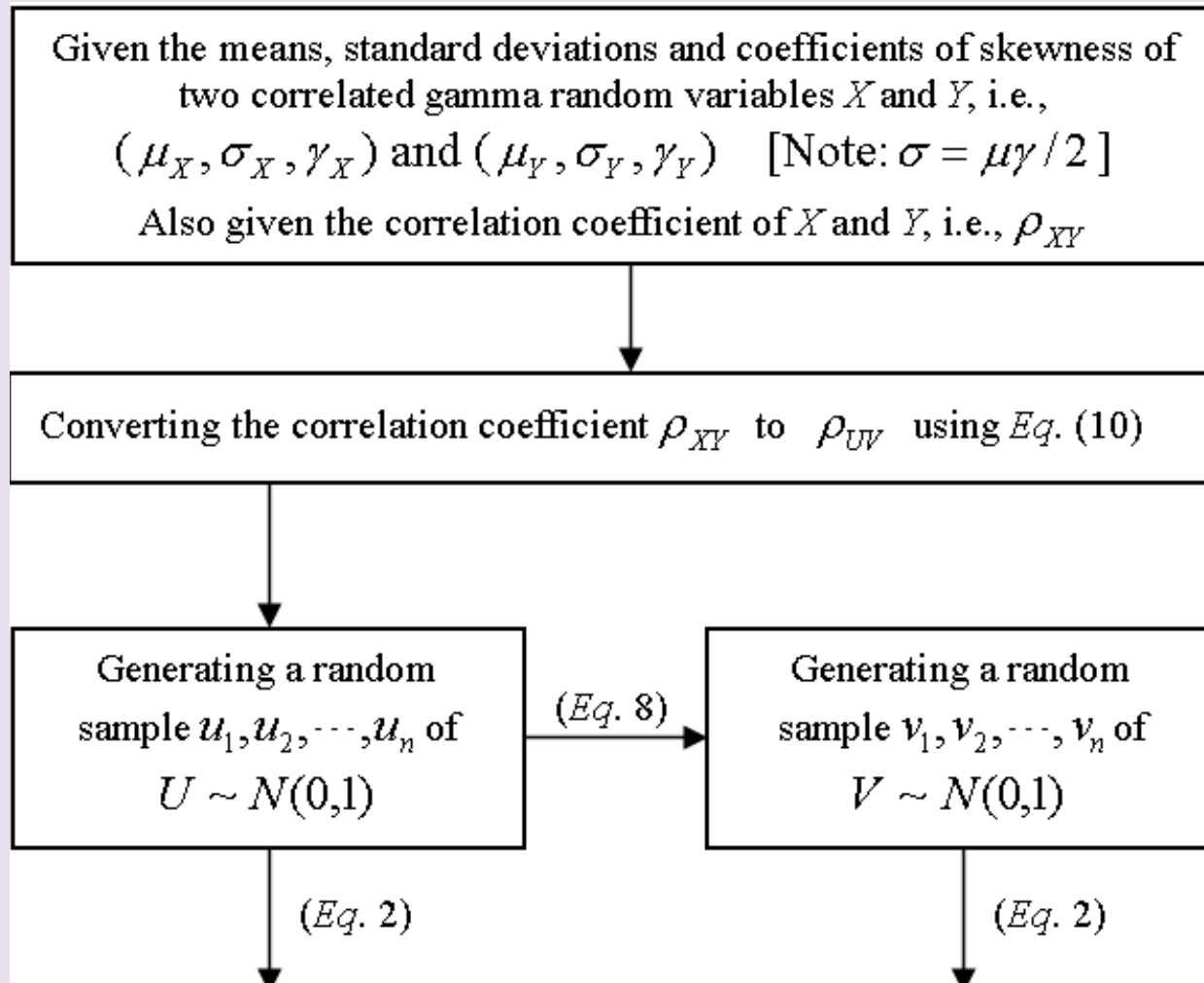
$$X = \mu_X + K\sigma_X$$

From the two sets of random samples  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ , Eq. (A) can be used to obtain random samples of the two frequency factors  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$ , i.e.,  $k_{x_1}, k_{x_2}, \dots, k_{x_n}$  and  $k_{y_1}, k_{y_2}, \dots, k_{y_n}$ .

Given the expected values ( $\mu_X$  and  $\mu_Y$ ) and standard deviations ( $\sigma_X$  and  $\sigma_Y$ ) of random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , random samples of the bivariate gamma distribution can be obtained by transferring  $k_{x_1}, k_{x_2}, \dots, k_{x_n}$  and  $k_{y_1}, k_{y_2}, \dots, k_{y_n}$  to  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$ .

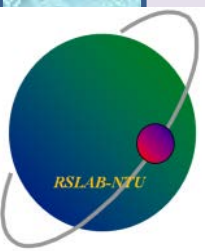
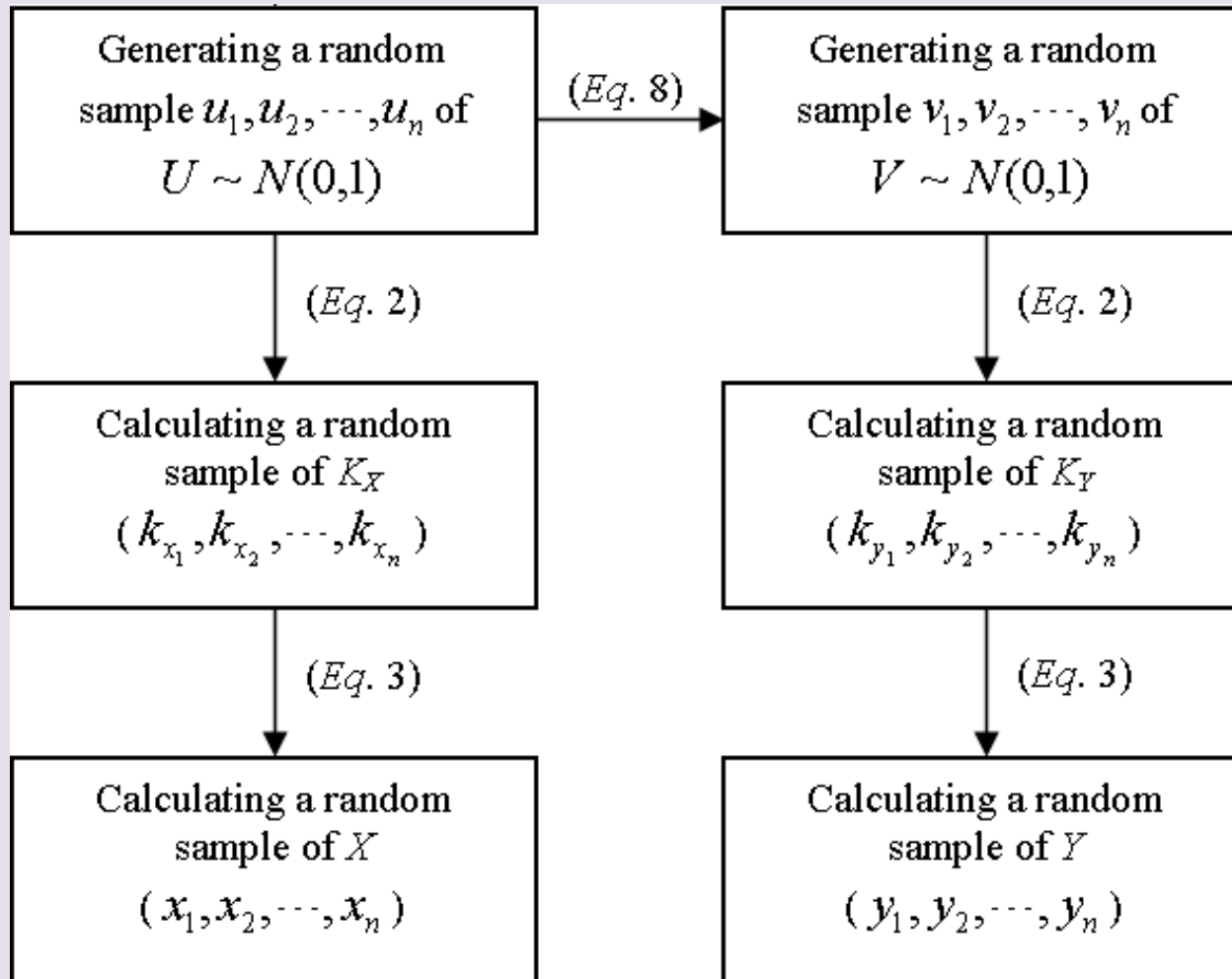


# Flowchart of BVG simulation (1/2)

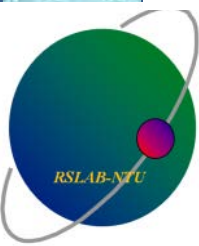




# Flowchart of BVG simulation (2/2)



In practice, stochastic simulation of a bivariate gamma distribution requires the generated random samples to have pre-specified mean, standard deviation, coefficient of skewness  $((\mu_X, \sigma_X, \gamma_X)$  and  $(\mu_Y, \sigma_Y, \gamma_Y))$ , and correlation coefficient  $\rho_{XY}$ . In order for the generated samples to meet such requirements, the correlation coefficient  $\rho_{UV}$  must be determined from the pre-specified  $\gamma_X, \gamma_Y$ , and  $\rho_{XY}$  through the following equation:

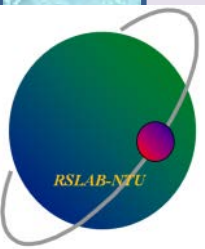


# $\rho_{XY} \sim \rho_{UV}$ Conversion

$$\rho_{XY} \approx (A_X A_Y - 3A_X C_Y - 3C_X A_Y + 9C_X C_Y) \rho_{UV} + 2B_X B_Y \rho_{UV}^2 + 6C_X C_Y \rho_{UV}^3 \quad [\text{B}]$$

$$A_X = 1 + \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^4 \quad B_X = \frac{\gamma_X}{6} - \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^3 \quad C_X = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^2$$

$$A_Y = 1 + \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^4 \quad B_Y = \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} - \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^3 \quad C_Y = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^2$$

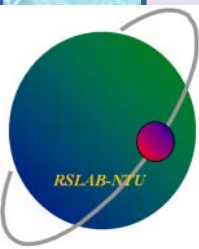


## Derivation of the $\rho_{XY} \sim \rho_{UV}$ relationship

Suppose that random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  form a bivariate gamma distribution. Given the means ( $\mu_X$  and  $\mu_Y$ ) and standard deviations ( $\sigma_X$  and  $\sigma_Y$ ),  $X$  and  $Y$  can be respectively expressed in terms of their corresponding frequency factors  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$ , i.e.,

$$X = \mu_X + K_X \sigma_X \quad \text{and} \quad Y = \mu_Y + K_Y \sigma_Y.$$

Note that, with given means  $\mu_X$  and  $\mu_Y$  and standard deviations  $\sigma_X$  and  $\sigma_Y$ , the coefficients of skewness  $\gamma_X$  and  $\gamma_Y$  can be readily determined.



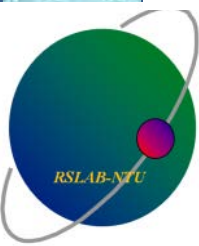
From the above equations, it can be easily shown that frequency factors  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$  are distributed with zero mean and unit standard deviation, and correlation coefficient of  $X$  and  $Y$  is equivalent to correlation coefficient of  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$ , i.e.,

$$E[K_X] = E[K_Y] = 0,$$

$$Var[K_X] = Var[K_Y] = 1,$$

and

$$\rho_{XY} = \rho_{K_X K_Y}$$

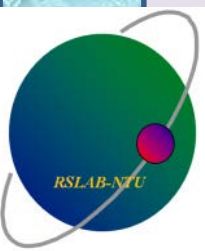


- Frequency factors  $K_x$  and  $K_y$  can be respectively approximated by

$$K_x \approx U + (U^2 - 1)\frac{\gamma_x}{6} + \frac{1}{3}(U^3 - 6U)\left(\frac{\gamma_x}{6}\right)^2 - (U^2 - 1)\left(\frac{\gamma_x}{6}\right)^3 + U\left(\frac{\gamma_x}{6}\right)^4 - \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{\gamma_x}{6}\right)^5$$

$$K_y \approx V + (V^2 - 1)\frac{\gamma_y}{6} + \frac{1}{3}(V^3 - 6V)\left(\frac{\gamma_y}{6}\right)^2 - (V^2 - 1)\left(\frac{\gamma_y}{6}\right)^3 + V\left(\frac{\gamma_y}{6}\right)^4 - \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{\gamma_y}{6}\right)^5$$

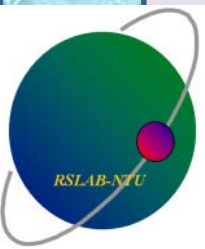
where  $U$  and  $V$  both are random variables with standard normal density and are correlated with correlation coefficient  $\rho_{UV}$ .



- **Correlation coefficient of  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$  can be derived as follows:**

$$\rho_{K_X K_Y} = Cov(K_X, K_Y) = E[K_X K_Y]$$

$$\approx E \left\{ \left[ \begin{array}{l} \left[ U + (U^2 - 1)\frac{\gamma_X}{6} + \frac{1}{3}(U^3 - 6U)\left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^2 - (U^2 - 1)\left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^3 + U\left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^4 - \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^5 \right] \\ \left[ V + (V^2 - 1)\frac{\gamma_Y}{6} + \frac{1}{3}(V^3 - 6V)\left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^2 - (V^2 - 1)\left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^3 + V\left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^4 - \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^5 \right] \end{array} \right] \right\}$$



$$K_X \approx U \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^4 \right] + (U^2 - 1) \left[ \frac{\gamma_X}{6} - \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^3 \right] + \frac{1}{3} (U^3 - 6U) \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^5$$

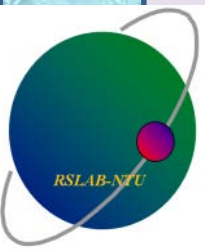
$$= A_X U + B_X (U^2 - 1) + C_X (U^3 - 6U) + D_X$$

$$K_Y \approx V \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^4 \right] + (V^2 - 1) \left[ \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} - \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^3 \right] + \frac{1}{3} (V^3 - 6V) \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^5$$

$$= A_Y V + B_Y (V^2 - 1) + C_Y (V^3 - 6V) + D_Y$$

$$A_X = 1 + \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^4, \quad B_X = \frac{\gamma_X}{6} - \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^3, \quad C_X = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2, \quad D_X = -\frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^5$$

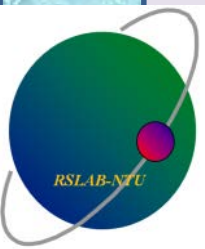
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$$E[K_X K_Y]$$

$$\approx E \left[ \begin{aligned} & A_X A_Y UV + A_X B_Y U(V^2 - 1) + A_X C_Y U(V^3 - 6V) \\ & + A_X D_Y U + B_X A_Y V(U^2 - 1) + B_X B_Y (U^2 - 1)(V^2 - 1) \\ & + B_X C_Y (U^2 - 1)(V^3 - 6V) + B_X D_Y (U^2 - 1) \\ & + C_X A_Y (U^3 - 6U)V + C_X B_Y (U^3 - 6U)(V^2 - 1) \\ & + C_X C_Y (U^3 - 6U)(V^3 - 6V) + C_X D_Y (U^3 - 6U) \\ & + D_X A_Y V + D_X B_Y (V^2 - 1) + D_X C_Y (V^3 - 6V) + D_X D_Y \end{aligned} \right]$$



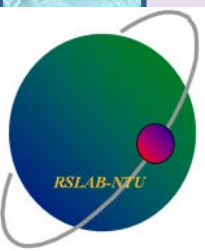

$$E[K_X K_Y]$$

$$\approx E \left[ \begin{aligned} &A_X A_Y UV + A_X C_Y U (V^3 - 6V) + B_X B_Y (U^2 - 1)(V^2 - 1) \\ &+ C_X A_Y (U^3 - 6U)V + C_X C_Y (U^3 - 6U)(V^3 - 6V) + D_X D_Y \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$E[K_X] \approx E[A_X U + B_X (U^2 - 1) + C_X (U^3 - 6U) + D_X] = D_X$$

**Since  $K_X$  and  $K_Y$  are distributed with zero means, it follows that**

$$D_X = D_Y \approx 0$$



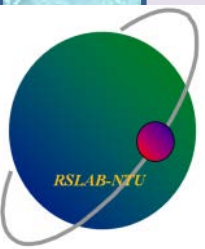
$$\rho_{K_X K_Y} = E[K_X K_Y]$$

$$\approx E \left[ \begin{aligned} &A_X A_Y UV + A_X C_Y U(V^3 - 6V) + B_X B_Y (U^2 - 1)(V^2 - 1) \\ &+ C_X A_Y (U^3 - 6U)V + C_X C_Y (U^3 - 6U)(V^3 - 6V) \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$= A_X A_Y \rho_{UV} + A_X C_Y [E(UV^3) - 6\rho_{UV}] + B_X B_Y [E(U^2 V^2) - 1]$$

$$+ C_X A_Y [E(U^3 V) - 6\rho_{UV}]$$

$$+ C_X C_Y [E(U^3 V^3) - 6E(UV^3) - 6E(U^3 V) + 36\rho_{UV}]$$



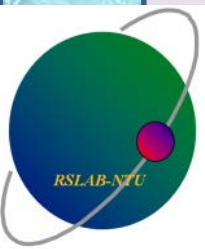
- It can also be shown that

$$E(U^2V^2) = 2\rho_{UV}^2 + 1 \quad E(U^3V^3) = 6\rho_{UV}^3 + 9\rho_{UV}$$

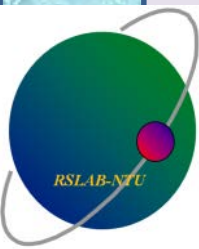
$$E(U^3V) = E(UV^3) = 3\rho_{UV}$$

**Thus,**

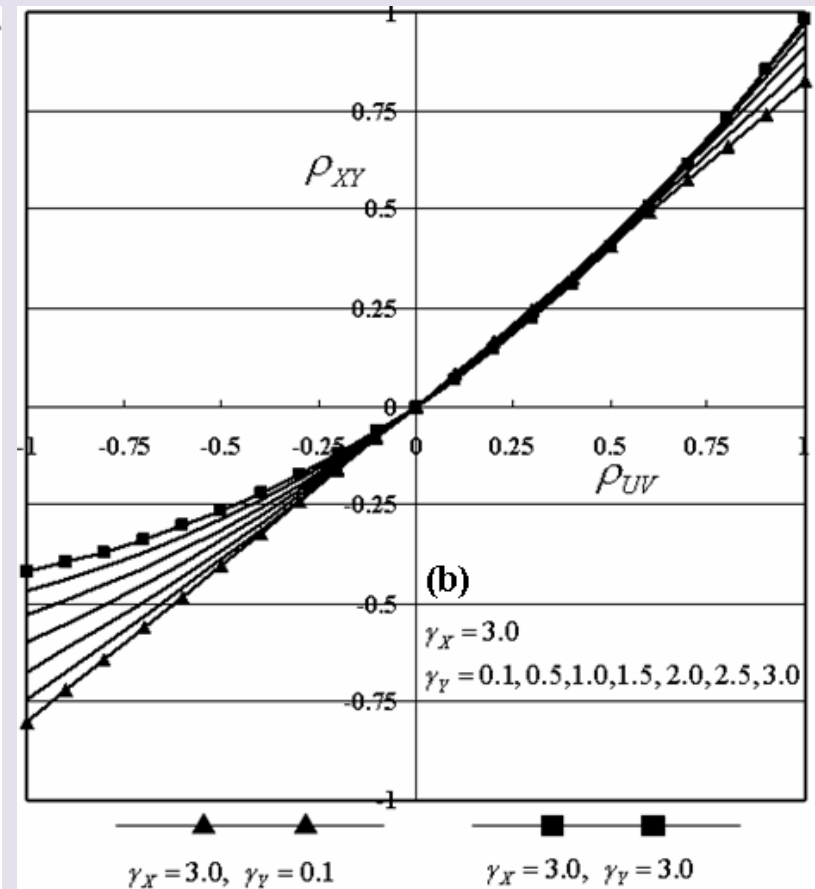
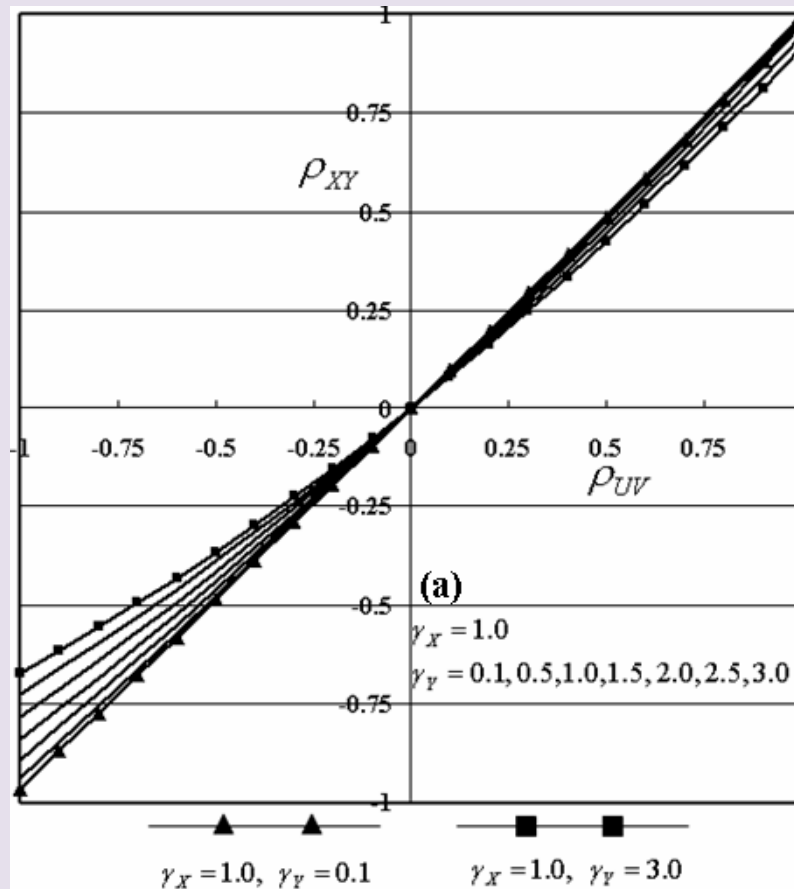
$$\rho_{XY} = \rho_{K_X K_Y} \approx (A_X A_Y - 3A_X C_Y - 3C_X A_Y + 9C_X C_Y)\rho_{UV} \\ + 2B_X B_Y \rho_{UV}^2 + 6C_X C_Y \rho_{UV}^3$$



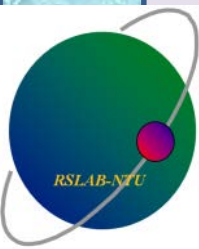
Equation (B) indicates that  $\rho_{XY}$  can be expressed as a third order polynomial of  $\rho_{UV}$ . It is therefore of practical concern whether there exists a unique  $\rho_{UV}$  for a given set of  $(\gamma_X, \gamma_Y, \rho_{XY})$ . Or equivalently, given a set of  $(\gamma_X, \gamma_Y, \rho_{XY})$ , does Eq. (B) return a single-value of  $\rho_{UV}$ ?



# $\rho_{XY} \sim \rho_{UV}$ Single - Value Relationship



We have also proved that Eq. (B) is indeed a single-value function.



# Proof of Eq. (B) as a single-value function

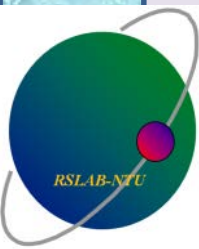
Let  $f(\rho_{UV}) = \partial \rho_{XY} / \partial \rho_{UV}$ . From Eq. (B) we have

$$f(\rho_{UV}) = (A_X A_Y - 3A_X C_Y - 3C_X A_Y + 9C_X C_Y) \\ + 4B_X B_Y \rho_{UV} + 18C_X C_Y \rho_{UV}^2$$

$$A_X A_Y - 3A_X C_Y - 3C_X A_Y + 9C_X C_Y = (A_X - 3C_X)(A_Y - 3C_Y)$$

$$A_X - 3C_X = 1 + \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^4 - \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^2 = \left[\left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^2 - 1\right]^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma_X}{6}\right)^2 > 0$$

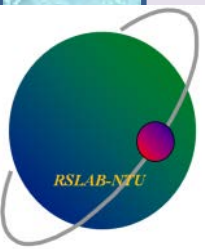
$$A_Y - 3C_Y = 1 + \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^4 - \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^2 = \left[\left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^2 - 1\right]^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma_Y}{6}\right)^2 > 0.$$



- **Therefore,**

$$A_X A_Y - 3A_X C_Y - 3C_X A_Y + 9C_X C_Y$$

$$= \left\{ \left[ \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 - 1 \right]^2 + \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 \right\} \left\{ \left[ \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^2 - 1 \right]^2 + \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^2 \right\}$$



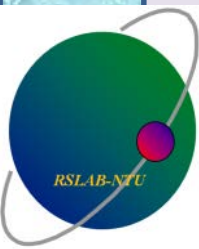


Let  $g(\rho_{UV}) = 4B_X B_Y \rho_{UV} + 18C_X C_Y \rho_{UV}^2$

$$= \frac{\gamma_X \gamma_Y}{9} \left[ \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 - 1 \right] \left[ \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^2 - 1 \right] \rho_{UV} + \frac{18}{9} \left( \frac{\gamma_X}{6} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\gamma_Y}{6} \right)^2 \rho_{UV}^2$$

Also, let  $G_X = \frac{\gamma_X}{6}$ ,  $G_Y = \frac{\gamma_Y}{6}$ . We then have

$$g(\rho_{UV}) = 4G_X G_Y (G_X^2 - 1)(G_Y^2 - 1) \rho_{UV} + 2G_X^2 G_Y^2 \rho_{UV}^2$$

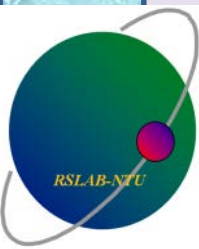


$$f(\rho_{UV}) = [(G_X^2 - 1)^2 + G_X^2] [(G_Y^2 - 1)^2 + G_Y^2] \\ + 4G_X G_Y (G_X^2 - 1)(G_Y^2 - 1)\rho_{UV} + 2G_X^2 G_Y^2 \rho_{UV}^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho_{UV}} = 4G_X G_Y (G_X^2 - 1)(G_Y^2 - 1) + 4G_X^2 G_Y^2 \rho_{UV}$$

Let  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho_{UV}} = 0$ , it yields an extreme value of  $f$  at

$$\rho_{UV}^* = -\frac{(G_X^2 - 1)(G_Y^2 - 1)}{G_X G_Y}$$



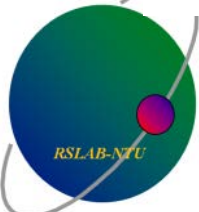
$$\begin{aligned}
f(\rho_{UV}^*) &= [(G_X^2 - 1)^2 + G_X^2] [(G_Y^2 - 1)^2 + G_Y^2] \\
&\quad - 4(G_X^2 - 1)^2 (G_Y^2 - 1)^2 + 2(G_X^2 - 1)^2 (G_Y^2 - 1)^2 \\
&= [(G_X^2 - 1)^2 + G_X^2] [(G_Y^2 - 1)^2 + G_Y^2] - 2(G_X^2 - 1)^2 (G_Y^2 - 1)^2 \\
&= G_X^2 (G_Y^2 - 1)^2 + (G_X^2 - 1)^2 G_Y^2 + G_X^2 G_Y^2 - (G_X^2 - 1)^2 (G_Y^2 - 1)^2
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $-1 \leq \rho_{UV} \leq 1$  (or equivalently,  $\rho_{UV}^2 \leq 1$ ), it yields

$$(G_X^2 - 1)^2 (G_Y^2 - 1)^2 \leq G_X^2 G_Y^2$$

Thus,

$$f(\rho_{UV}^*) \geq G_X^2 (G_Y^2 - 1)^2 + (G_X^2 - 1)^2 G_Y^2 > 0$$



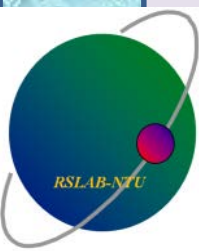
We now check the second derivative of  $f(\rho_{UV})$ , i.e.,


$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial(\rho_{UV})^2} = 4G_X^2 G_Y^2 > 0$$

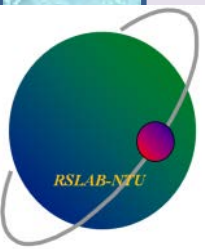
Therefore,  $f(\rho_{UV}^*) > 0$  is the minimum of the function  $f(\rho_{UV}) = \partial\rho_{XY} / \partial\rho_{UV}$ . It follows that

$$f(\rho_{UV}) = \partial\rho_{XY} / \partial\rho_{UV} > 0$$

for all possible values of  $\rho_{UV}$ .



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- The above equation indicates  $\rho_{XY}$  increases with increasing  $\rho_{UV}$  , and thus Eq. (B) is a single-value function.



# Conceptual description of a gamma random field simulation approach

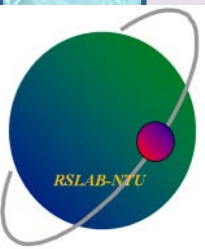
Given a pair of bivariate gamma random variables  $(X,Y)$  with known properties

$$\mu_X, \mu_Y, \gamma_X, \gamma_Y, \rho_{XY}$$

Converting  $\rho_{XY}$  to  $\rho_{UV}$  where  $(U,V)$  represents a pair of bivariate standard normal variables.

Given a homogeneous and isotropic random field  $Z(x)$  with known gamma density and covariance function  $C_Z(h)$  or variogram  $\gamma_Z(h)$ .

Converting  $C_Z(h)$  to  $C_W(h)$  where  $W(x)$  is a random field with standard normal density and covariance function  $C_W(h)$ .



Generating a random sample of  $(U, V)$  with sample size  $n$ , i.e.  $\{(u_i, v_i), i = 1, \dots, n\}$ .

Individually and independently converting  $u_i$  to  $x_i$  and  $v_i$  to  $y_i$ . The resultant  $\{(x_i, y_i), i = 1, \dots, n\}$  is a random sample of the bivariate random variables  $(X, Y)$ .

Generating a realization of  $W$ , i.e.  $\{w(i, j), i = 1, \dots, n ; j = 1, \dots, m\}$  where  $(i, j)$  represents a spatial location and  $n$  and  $m$  defines the extent of the spatial domain.

Individually and independently converting  $w(i, j)$  to  $z(i, j)$ . The resultant  $\{z(i, j), i = 1, \dots, n ; j = 1, \dots, m\}$  is a realization of the random field  $Z(x)$ .

