

R&D Research Project: Scaling analysis of hydrometeorological time series data

Extreme Value Analysis considering Trends: Methodology and Application to Runoff Data of the River Danube Catchment

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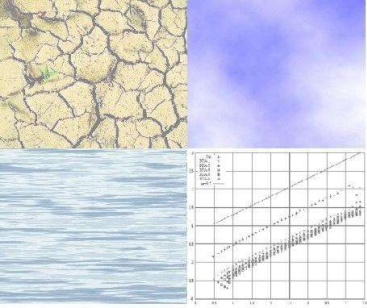


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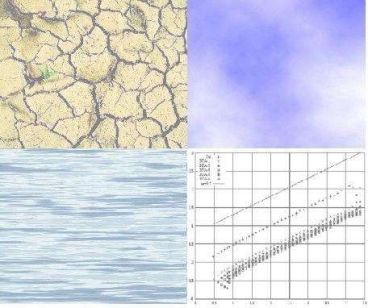
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Motivation



How do trends in extreme values influence extreme value statistics?

Do streamflow peaks reveal a regionwide or even countrywide common trend?

Does global warming have an influence on the hydrological cycle?

Extreme Value Statistics

A) Evaluate empirical data (order statistics, ...)

- No distribution assumption necessary
- Few data points available

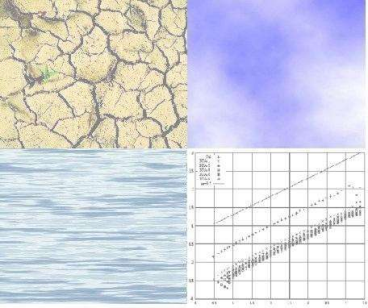
B) Fit theoretical distributions to extrema

- Calculation for arbitrary positions possible
- Extrapolation possible
- Distribution assumption necessary, e.g.:
 - Log-Normal
 - Pearson
 - Generalized Pareto (GPD)
 - Generalized Extreme Value (**GEV**)

Is the assumed distribution

- good enough (goodness-of-fit)?
- better than other ones (Maximum Likelihood)?

GEV Approximation of Maxima

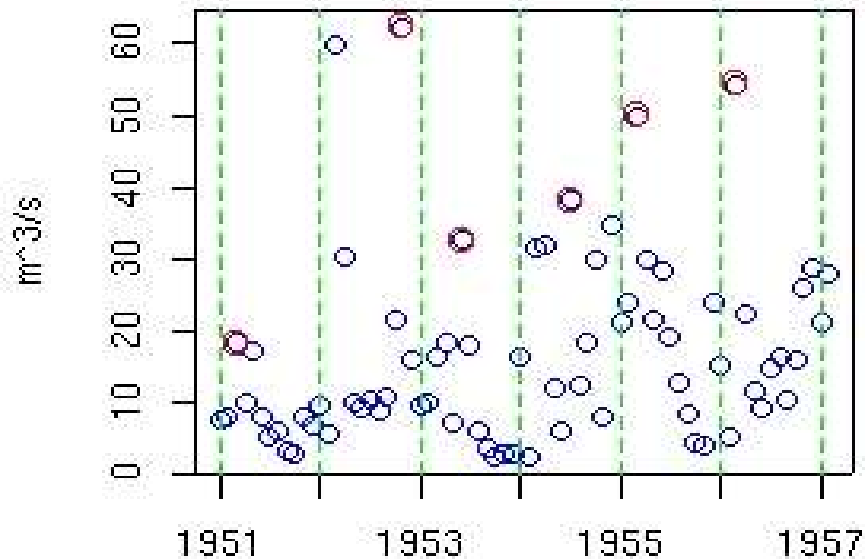


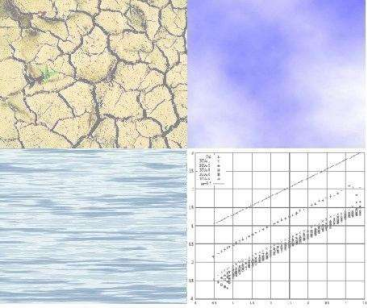
$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \quad F(z) = \Pr\{X_j \leq z\} \quad \boxed{i.i.d}$$

$$M_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$$

$$\Pr\left\{\frac{M_n - b_n}{a_n} \leq z\right\} \rightarrow G(z) \quad \text{for } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$G(z; \mu, \sigma, \xi) = \exp\left\{-\left[1 + \xi\left(\frac{z - \mu}{\sigma}\right)\right]_+^{-1/\xi}\right\}$$

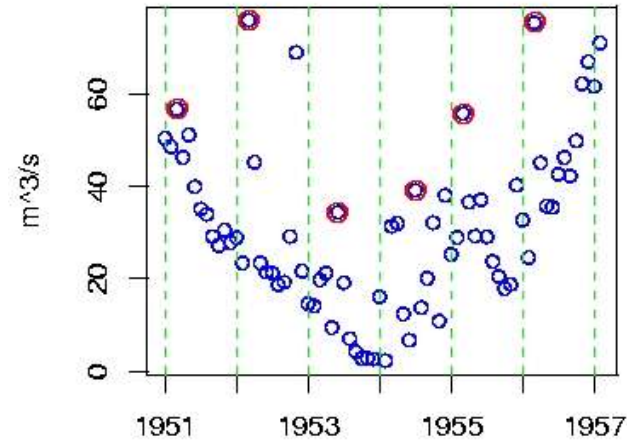
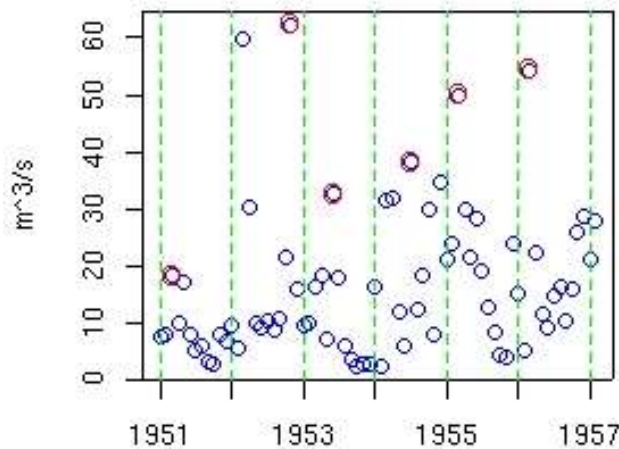




Non-Stationary GEV

What happens if data are not identically distributed?

$$Pr\{\ddot{M}_n \leq z\} \neq F(z)^n \quad Pr\left\{\frac{\ddot{M}_n - b_n}{a_n} \leq z\right\} \not\rightarrow G(z) \text{ for } n \rightarrow \infty$$

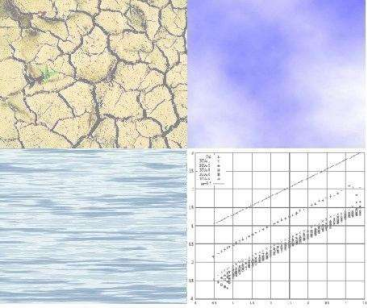


➔ Model time dependence of distribution explicitly, e.g.:

$$Z_t \sim G(\mu(t), \sigma(t), \xi(t))$$

$$\mu(t) = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i t^i$$

Non-Stationary GEV II



Parameter estimation using Maximum Likelihood:

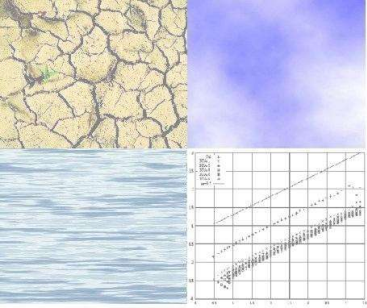
$$Z \sim f_{\mu, \sigma, \xi}(z) \Leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^a f_{\mu, \sigma, \xi}(z) dz = P(Z \leq a)$$
$$f_z(\mu, \sigma, \xi) = \text{Likelihood}$$

Example: μ dependent on time, which results in a different GEV for every single time point: $G(\mu(t), \sigma, \xi)$

Log Likelihood

$$l(\mu, \sigma, \xi) = -m \log(\sigma) - (1 + 1/\xi) \sum_{i=1}^m \log \left[1 + \xi \left(\frac{z_t - \mu(t)}{\sigma} \right) \right]$$
$$- \sum_{i=1}^m \left[1 + \xi \left(\frac{z_t - \mu(t)}{\sigma} \right) \right]^{-1/\xi} \}$$

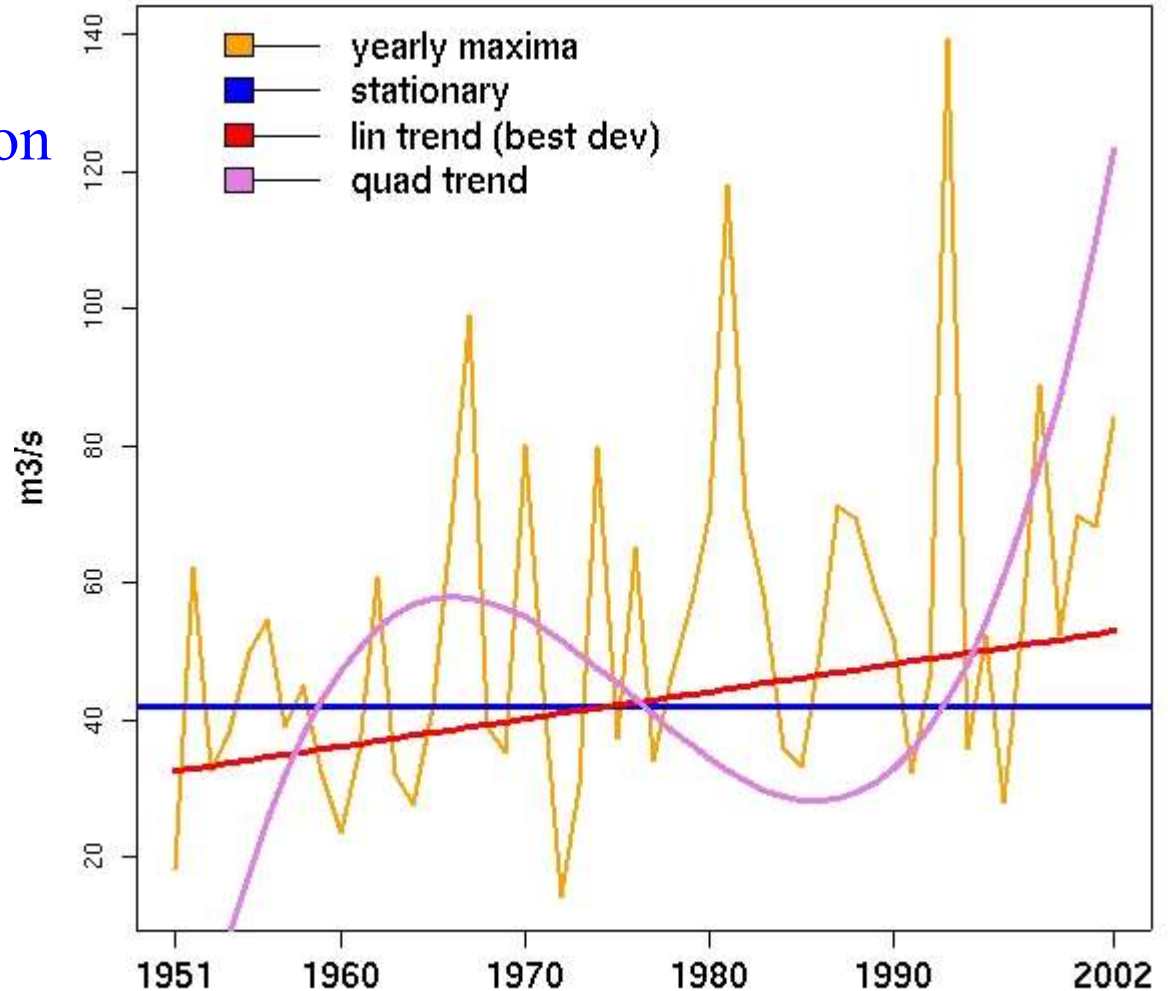
Trend Estimation



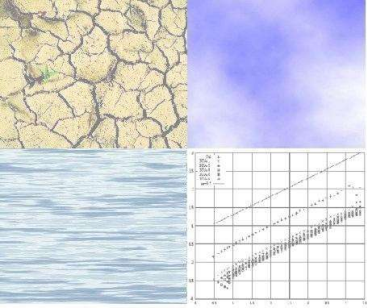
Polynomial Assumption

- Trend and GEV parameters fitted simultaneously.
- Distribution of data considered.
- Explicit assumption shape of the trend.

River Wolfsteiner Ohe at Fürsteneck



Test for Significance of Trend



Deviance Statistic

- ◆ Comparison of nested models (GEV with and without trend).
- ◆ Likelihood based.

$$D = 2 \{ l_c(M_c) - l_s(M_s) \}$$

M_c *complex model*

M_s *simple model*

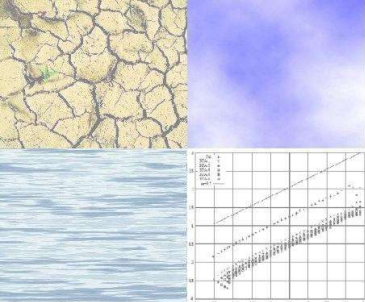
D is χ^2_m distributed (m = difference in degrees of freedom).

- ◆ Criterion: explanation of variation in data versus complexity of model.

Goodness-of-Fit

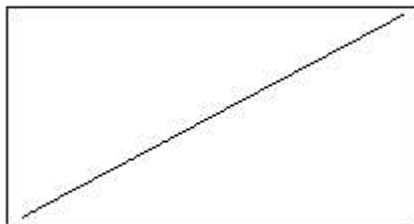
- ◆ KS Test, Quantile Plots, Probability Plots,

Simulation Settings

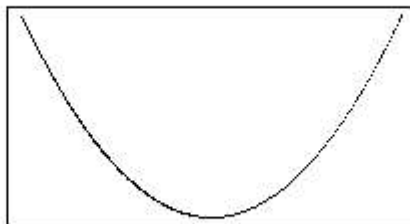


- Yearly maxima (528 years long).
- Distributions:
 - Gaussian, independent,
 - Pareto, independent,
 - Pareto, long-range correlated ($\delta = 0.2$).
- Trends of various shapes added to the data.

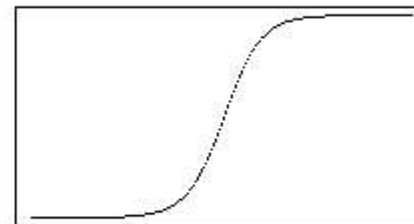
linear trend



parabolic trend



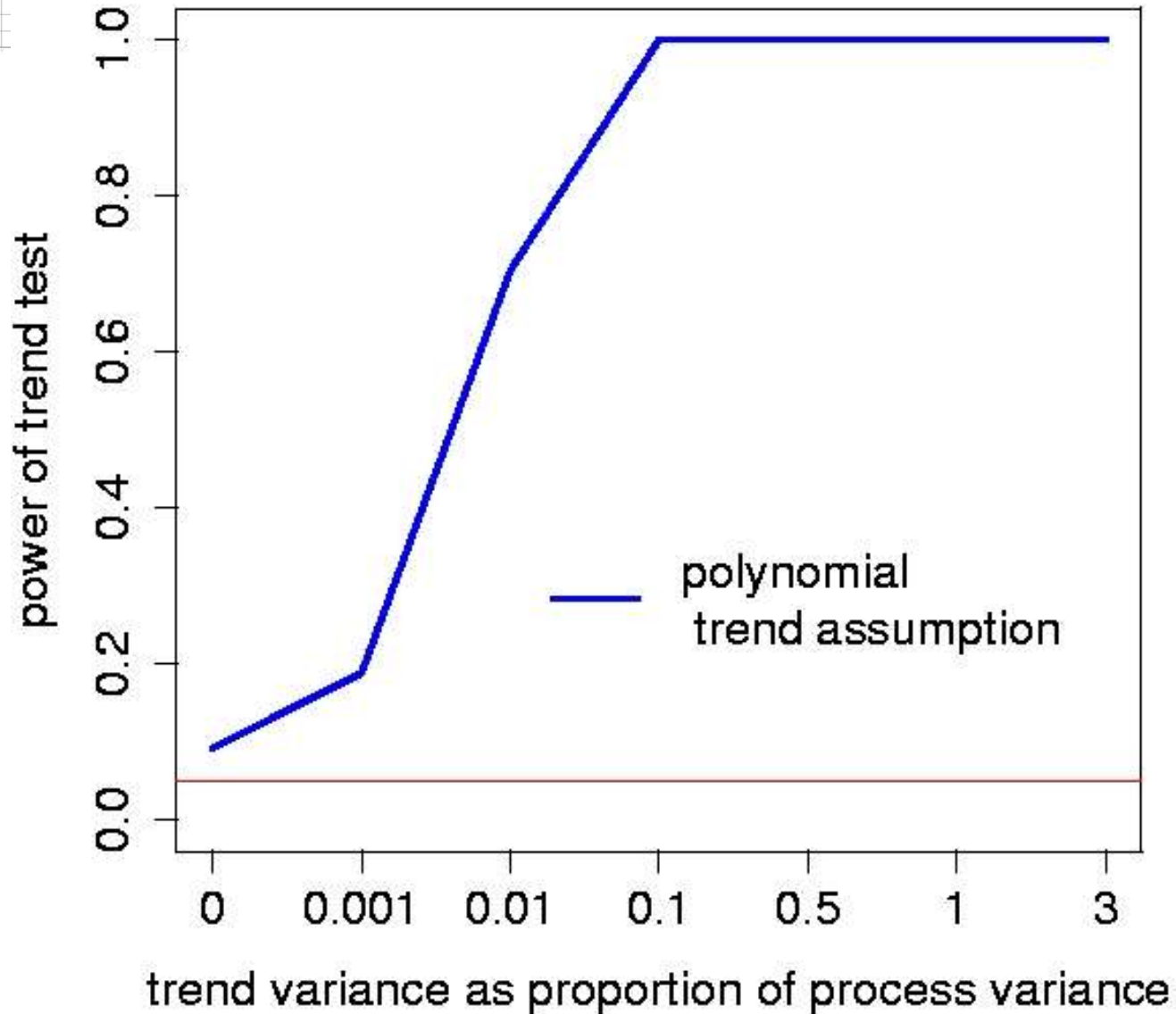
S curve



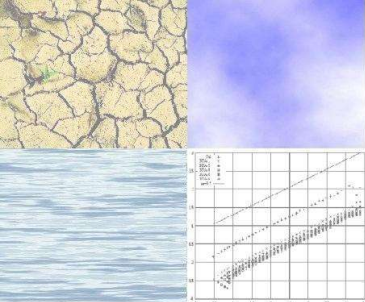
- Variance of trend augmented: 0-3 times of process variance.
- Trend assessed with non-stationary GEV fit with polynomial trend assumption.

Power of Trend Test

Gaussian data, S curve

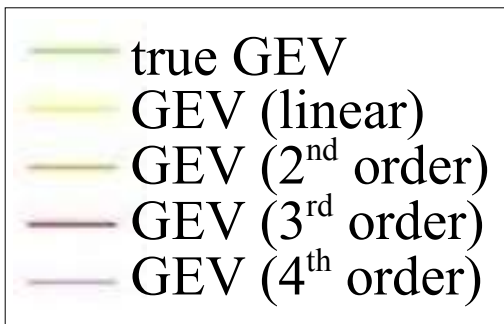


Quantile Estimation



$$z_p(t) = \begin{cases} \mu(t) - (\sigma/\xi) \{ 1 - [-\log(1-p)]^{-\xi} \}, & \xi \neq 0 \\ \mu(t) - \sigma \log[-\log(1-p)], & \xi = 0 \end{cases}$$

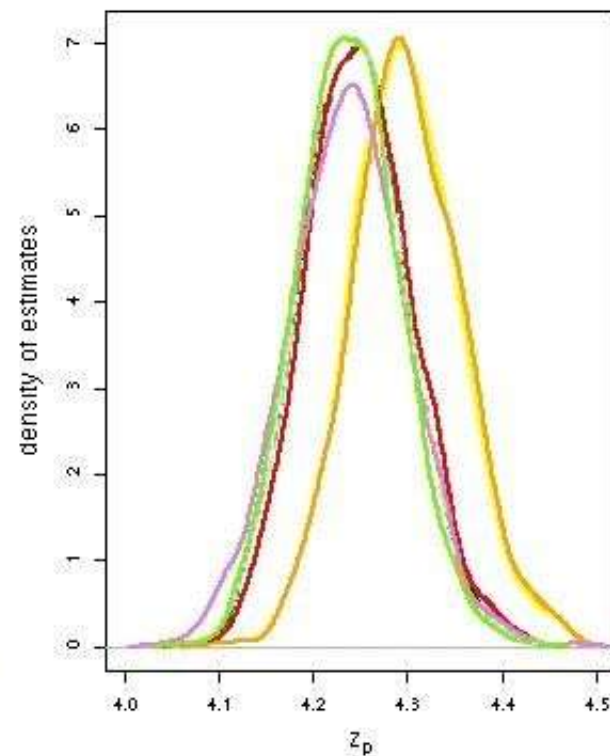
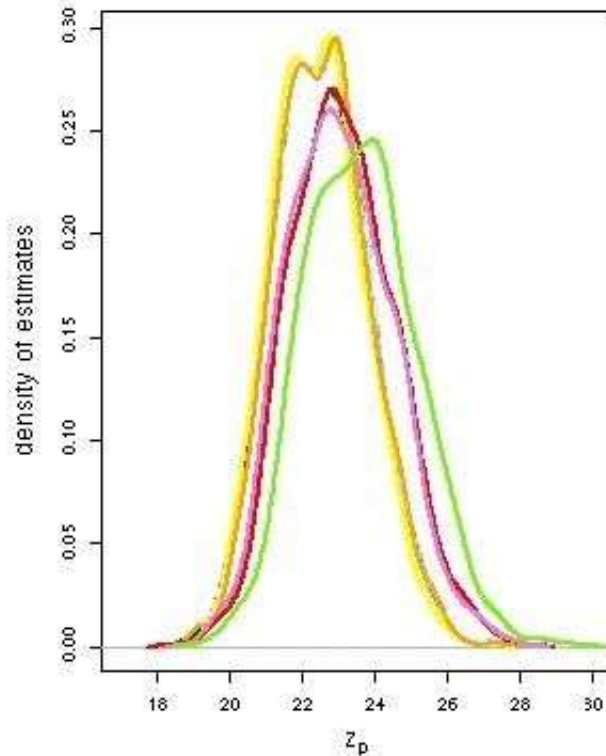
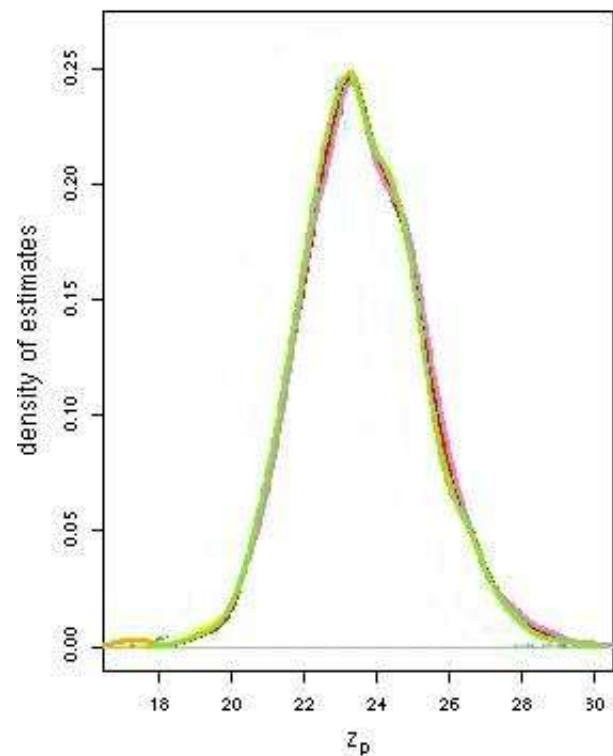
$$G(z_p) = 1 - p$$



Linear Trend Pareto Data 0.5

S Curve Trend Pareto Data 0.5

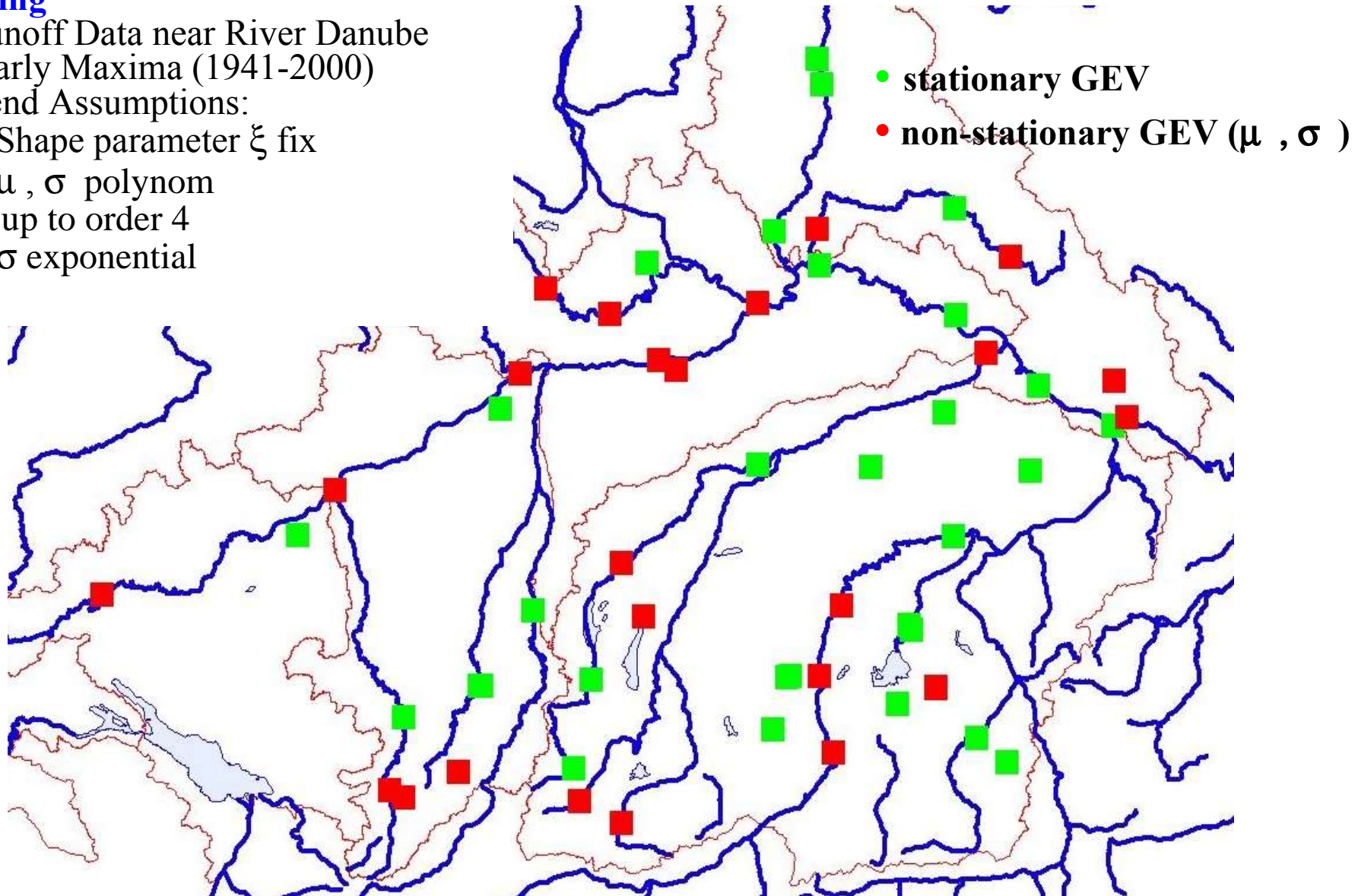
S Curve Trend Gaussian Data 0.5



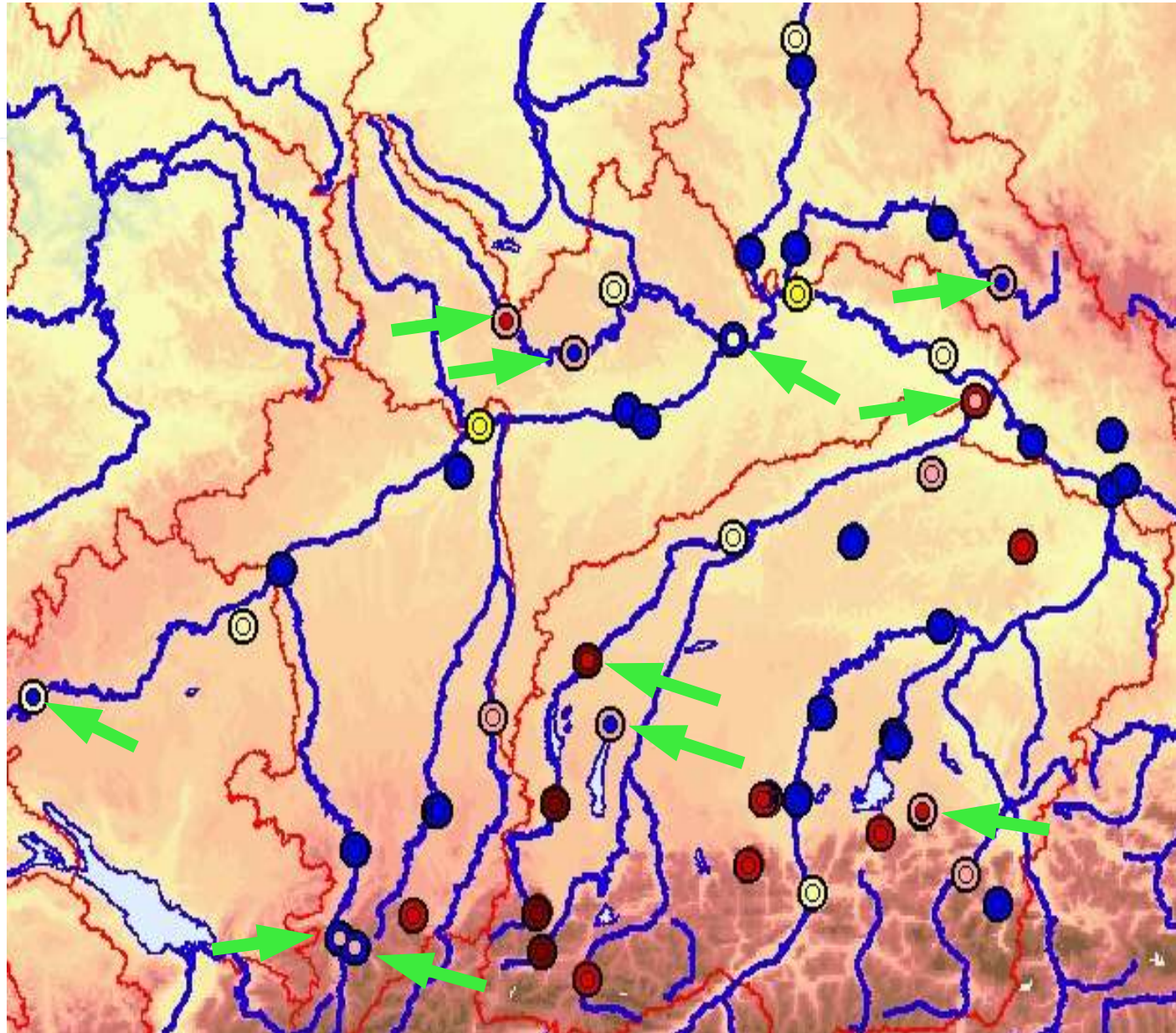
Yearly Maxima 1941-2000

Setting

- Runoff Data near River Danube
- Yearly Maxima (1941-2000)
- Trend Assumptions:
 - Shape parameter ξ fix
 - μ , σ polynom up to order 4
 - σ exponential



Shape Parameter Danube Catchment



Stat Mod Shape

- -0.3 - -0.2
- -0.2 - -0.112
- -0.112 - 0.112
- 0.112 - 0.2
- 0.2 - 0.3
- 0.3 - 0.5

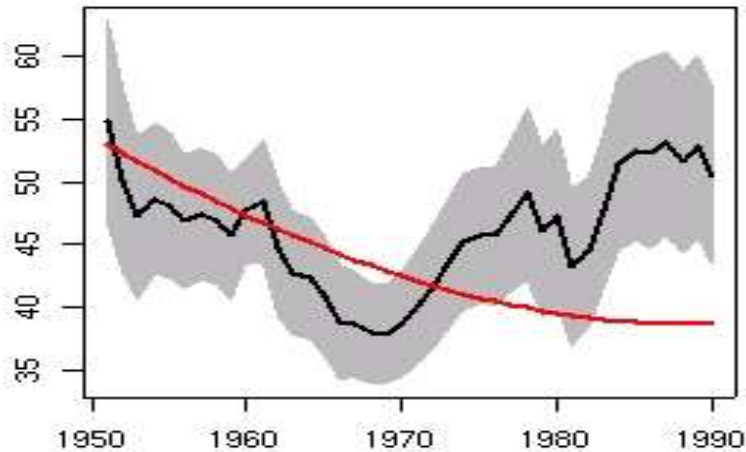
best Dev Mod Shape

- -0.3 - -0.2
- -0.2 - -0.112
- -0.112 - 0.112
- 0.112 - 0.2
- 0.2 - 0.3
- 0.3 - 0.5

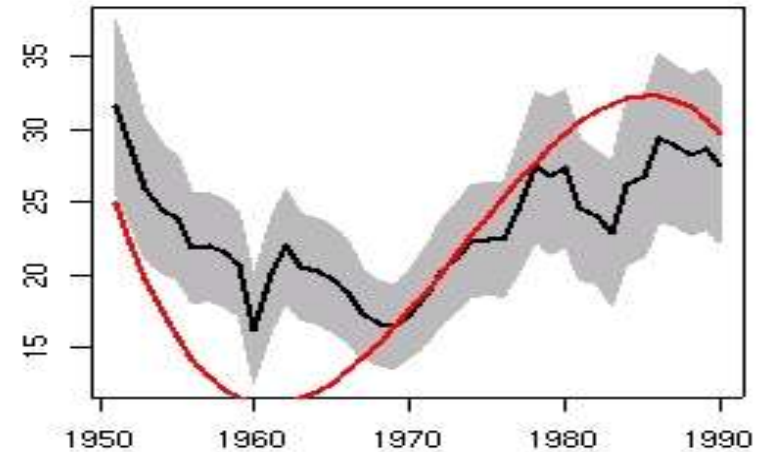
Plausability of Trend Form

River Isar Mühlbächen /Plattling

Location Parameter

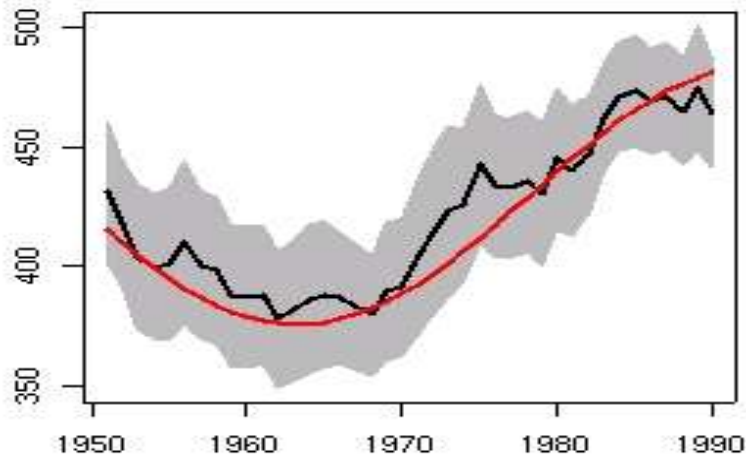


Scale Parameter

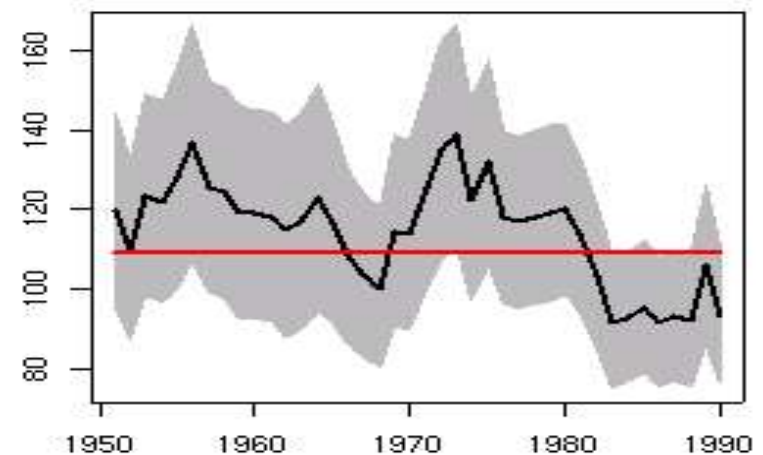


River Altmühl / Eichstätt

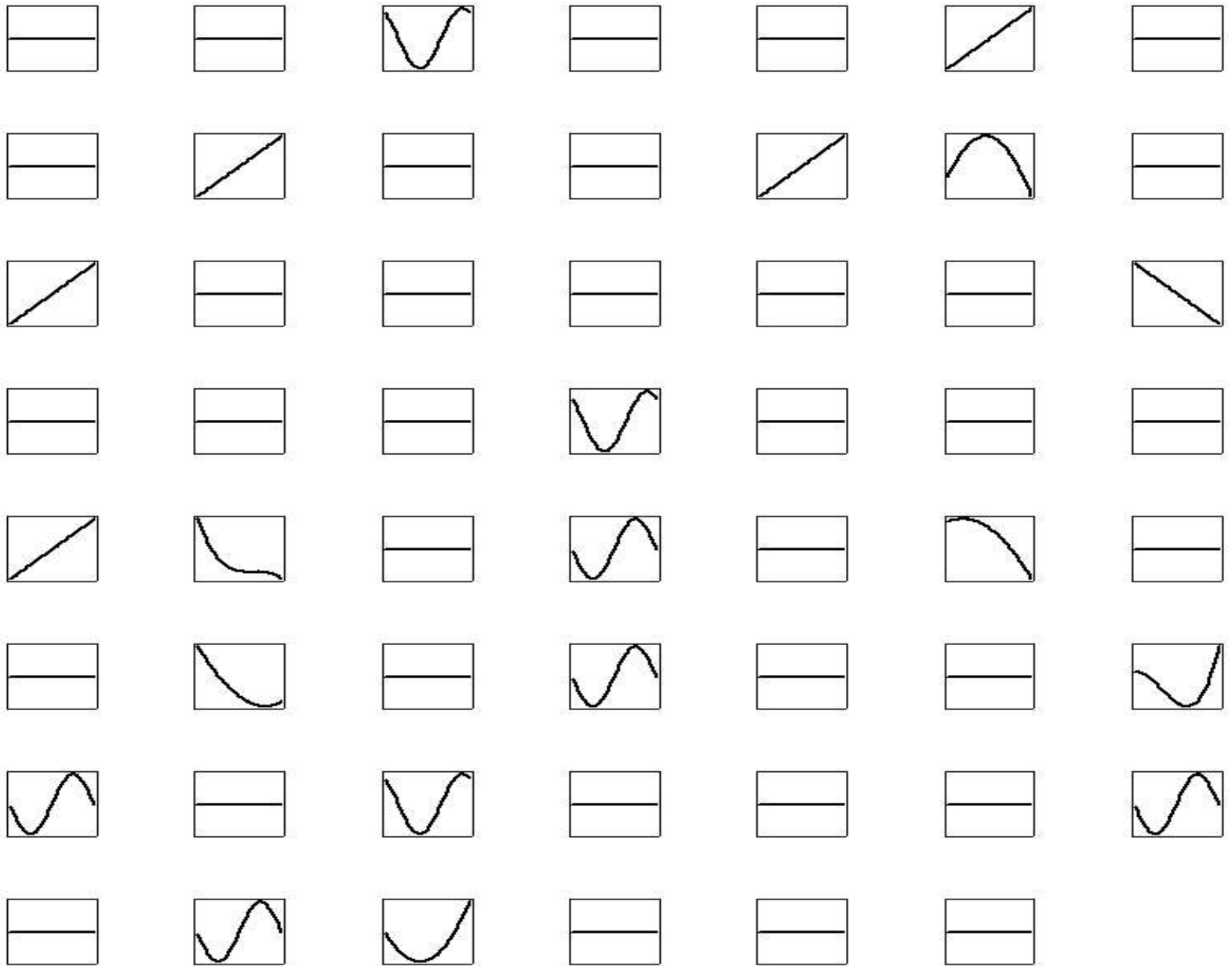
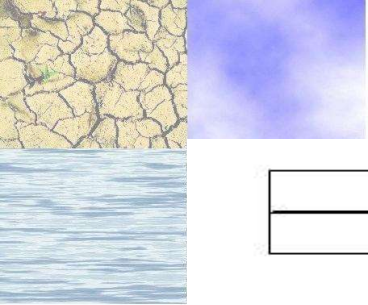
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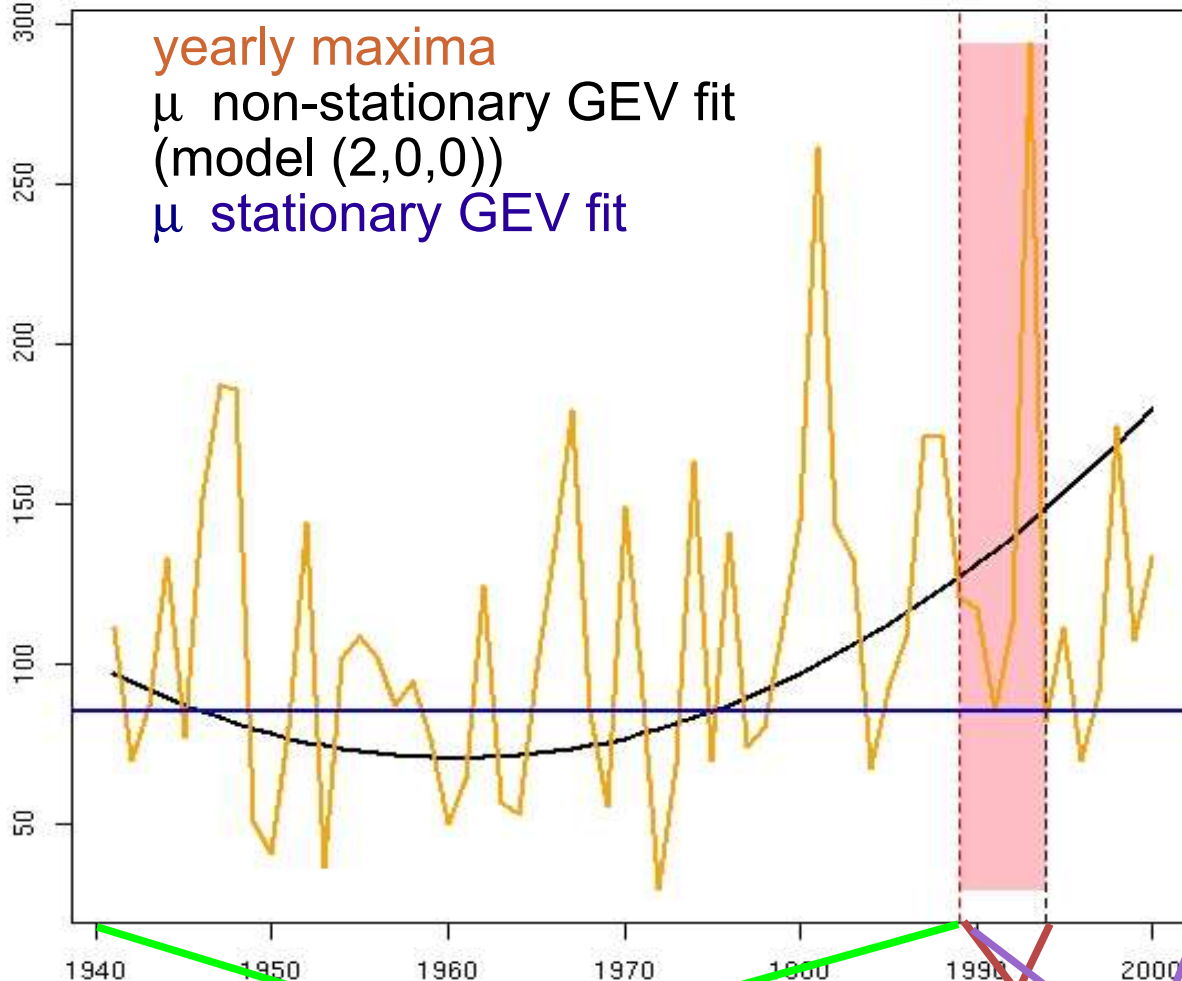


Trend in Location Parameter



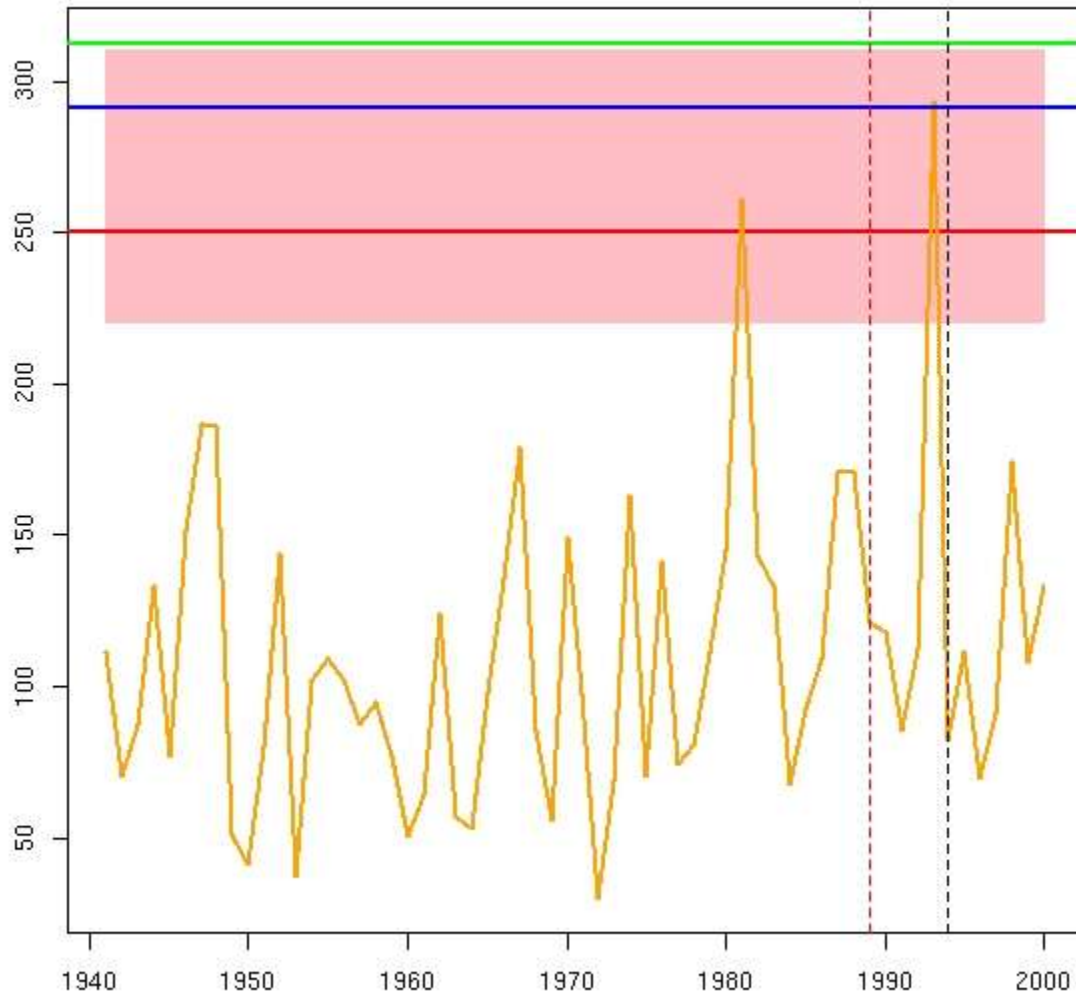
Prediction

Ilz/Kalteneck: Time Dependence of μ



best model according to deviance statistics: (2,0,0)

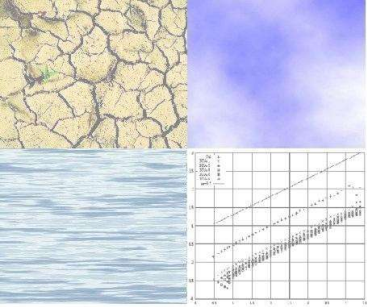
Prediction II



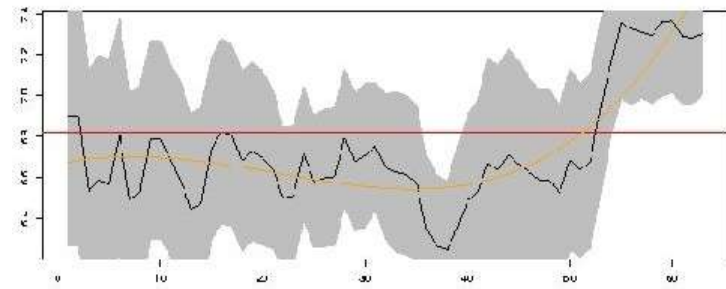
HQ 100 return levels calculated at 1989 for

- stationary GEV
- non-stationary GEV model (2,0,0)
- non-stationary GEV model (2,0,0) trend extrapolated, prediction period 5 years (until 1994)

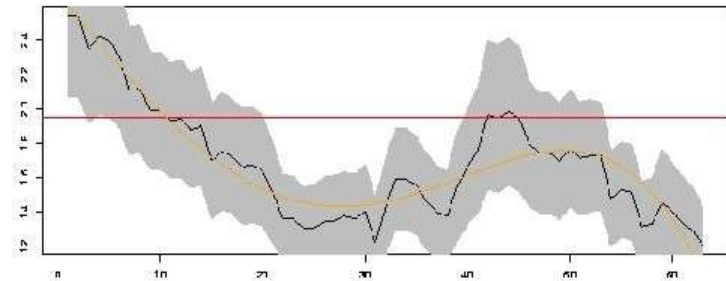
Seasonal Effects



Yearly Maxima Location (windows)

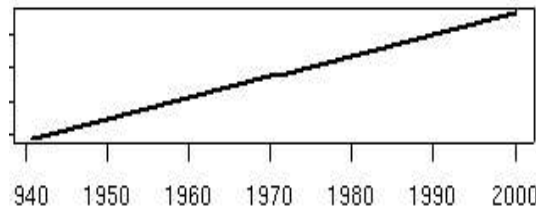


Yearly Maxima Scale (windows)

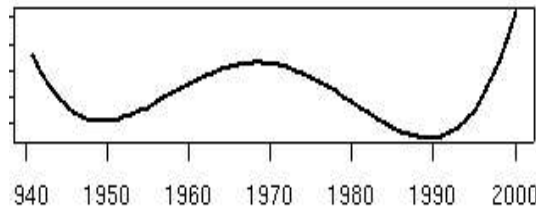


River Leutstetten at Würm

Yearly Maxima Location

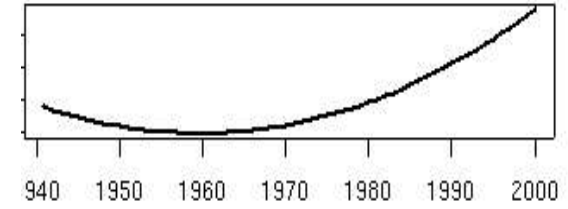


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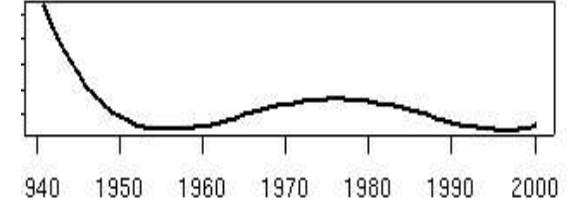


best model
yearly maxima:
(1,4,0)

Max Nov-Feb Location

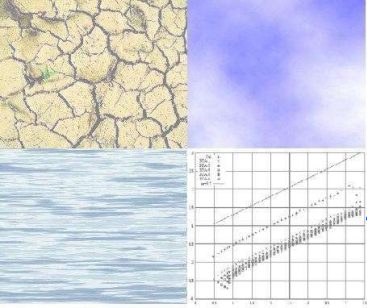


Max Nov-Feb Scale



Nov-Feb:
(2,4,0)
Mar-Jun:
(0,0,0) [stationary]
Jul-Oct:
(0,0,0) [stationary]

Discussion



- ◆ Trends in extreme values have to be considered when fitting theoretical distributions to empirical data:
 - they occur empirically,
 - otherwise (depending on the form of the trend) the estimated parameters may have a bias, even the important shape parameter.

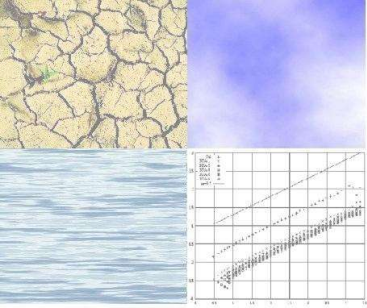
- ◆ Maximum likelihood is applicable as formal criterion to detect trends (deviance statistics).

- ◆ Simulation studies reveal a good performance of non-stationary GEV fits with a polynomial trend assumption – even when analysing S-curved trends.

- ◆ Extreme values of river runoff do not show a regional trend tendency (as shown for the river Danube catchment).

- ◆ Nevertheless: regionwide trend analysis is useful to
 - detect patterns,
 - analyse underlying processes and
 - compensate scarcity of empirical data.

Outlook



- ◆ Consideration of correlations by using the General Pareto Distribution (GPD, peak over threshold)
- ◆ Usage of a semi-parametric approach incorporating GPD and splines (only local trend assumptions necessary).
- ◆ Incorporation of various covariates like the NAO index or weather regime data to analyse their influence on river runoff.

Thank you very much for your attention!