Course Fees

Students*	300 €
University Employees	400 €
Others	500 €

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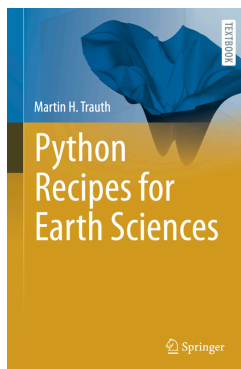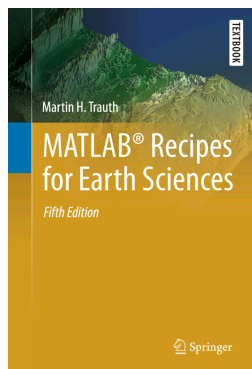
The book

The course fees includes an electronic copy of the textbook

Trauth, M.H. (2021) MATLAB Recipes for Earth Sciences – Fifth Edition. Springer International Publishing, 527 p.

or

Trauth, M.H. (2022) Python Recipes for Earth Sciences – First Edition. Springer International Publishing, ~530 p.

including all course materials, example data, and MATLAB+Python recipes.

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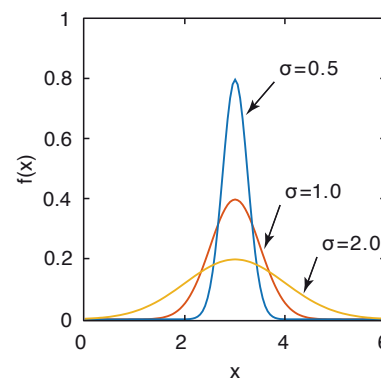
Probability density function f(x) of a logarithmic normal distribution with a mean μ=0 and with various values for the standard deviation σ.

56th Shortcourse on

MATLAB and Python Recipes for Earth Sciences

*18–22 September 2023*
Interactive online seminar

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Content

The course introduces methods of data analysis in earth and environmental sciences using the MATLAB and Python software, the leading software packages for the solution of mathematical problems. The content of the course includes basic statistics for univariate, bivariate and multivariate datasets, time-series analysis and signal processing, processing and displaying digital elevation models, gridding and contouring, and image processing and analysis.

References

The course was taught since >20 years at the U Aberystwyth, U Addis Ababa, U Bremen, U Bratislava, U Ghent, UA Barcelona, BGR Hannover, U Kiel, UC London, LMU München, BGI Bayreuth, U Nairobi, U Köln, U Stockholm, U Amsterdam, NHM Vienna, GNS Science Wellington, Brown U Providence, U Arizona Tucson, U Fribourg and U Potsdam.
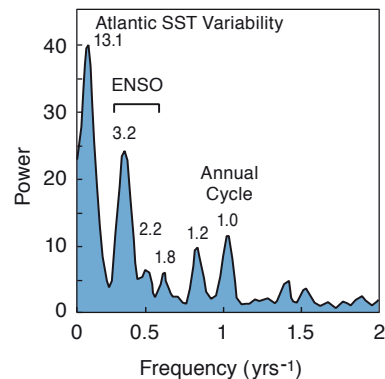
Power spectrum of a red-color intensity transect across 70 varves dominated by significant peaks at frequencies of ca. 0.076, 0.313, 0.455 and 1.0 yrs-1, suggesting a strong influence of the tropical Atlantic sea-surface temperature (SST) variability, the El Niño/Southern Oscillation (ENSO), and the annual cycle that occurred 30 kyrs ago, similar to today's cyclicities.

Course Program

Monday

Data analysis in earth and environmental sciences, types of data, overview of methods, introduction to the MATLAB and Python programming environment. MATLAB and Python syntax, import and export of data, types of data, scripts and functions, basic visualization techniques.

Tuesday

Univariate statistics, theoretical distributions, hypothesis testing. Bivariate statistics, regression, bootstrap and jackknife, reduced major axis regression, nonlinear weighted regression.

Wednesday

Time-series analysis, Blackman-Tukey spectral analysis, periodogram, evolutionary spectrum, Lomb-Scargle method, Wavelets. Signal processing, convolution and filtering, filter design, adaptive filters.

Thursday

Analysis of spatial data, digital terrain models, spatial interpolation, visualization of spatial data. Multivariate statistics, principal component analysis, cluster analysis.

Friday

Image processing and analysis, processing and georeferencing satellite images, image analysis of microscope images, quantification of objects in images. Creating animated eBooks and webpages with MATLAB and Python results.

Course Concept

The course is being taught as an interactive online seminar with lectures, demonstrations and exercises on selected examples from the earth and environmental sciences.

We use a modern web conferencing system for the lectures, demonstrations and exercises, in connection with a course management system for the course materials including recorded lectures, coding sessions and exercises.

The participants are expected to use their personal computers running Windows, Linux, or Mac OS X. A temporary license of MATLAB will be provided by the organizers. We will use the free Anaconda distribution with Spyder and Python.

Registration

Register online at https://digiconference.de/56th-shortcourse-registration/

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Surface plot of the GTOPO30 elevation data using light. The plot uses Phong as the lighting type creating a combined diffuse and specular reflection on surfaces.