



Spatial patterns in distributed hydrological modeling

Towards a true spatial model evaluation

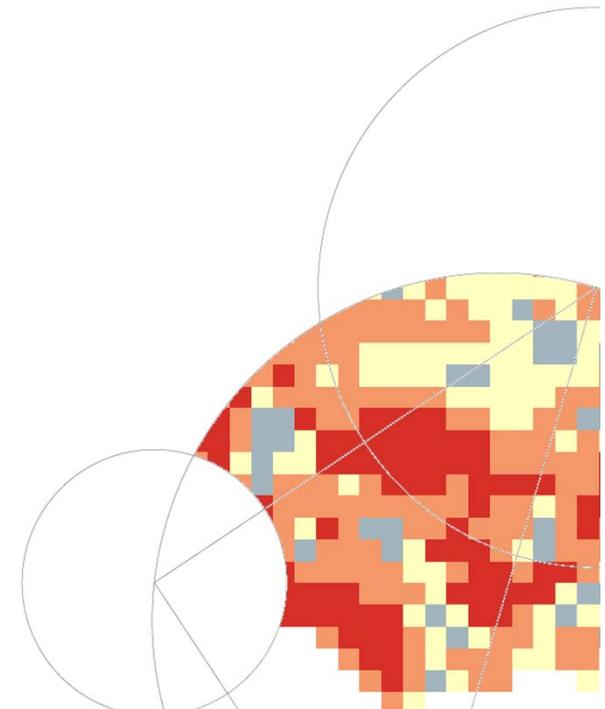
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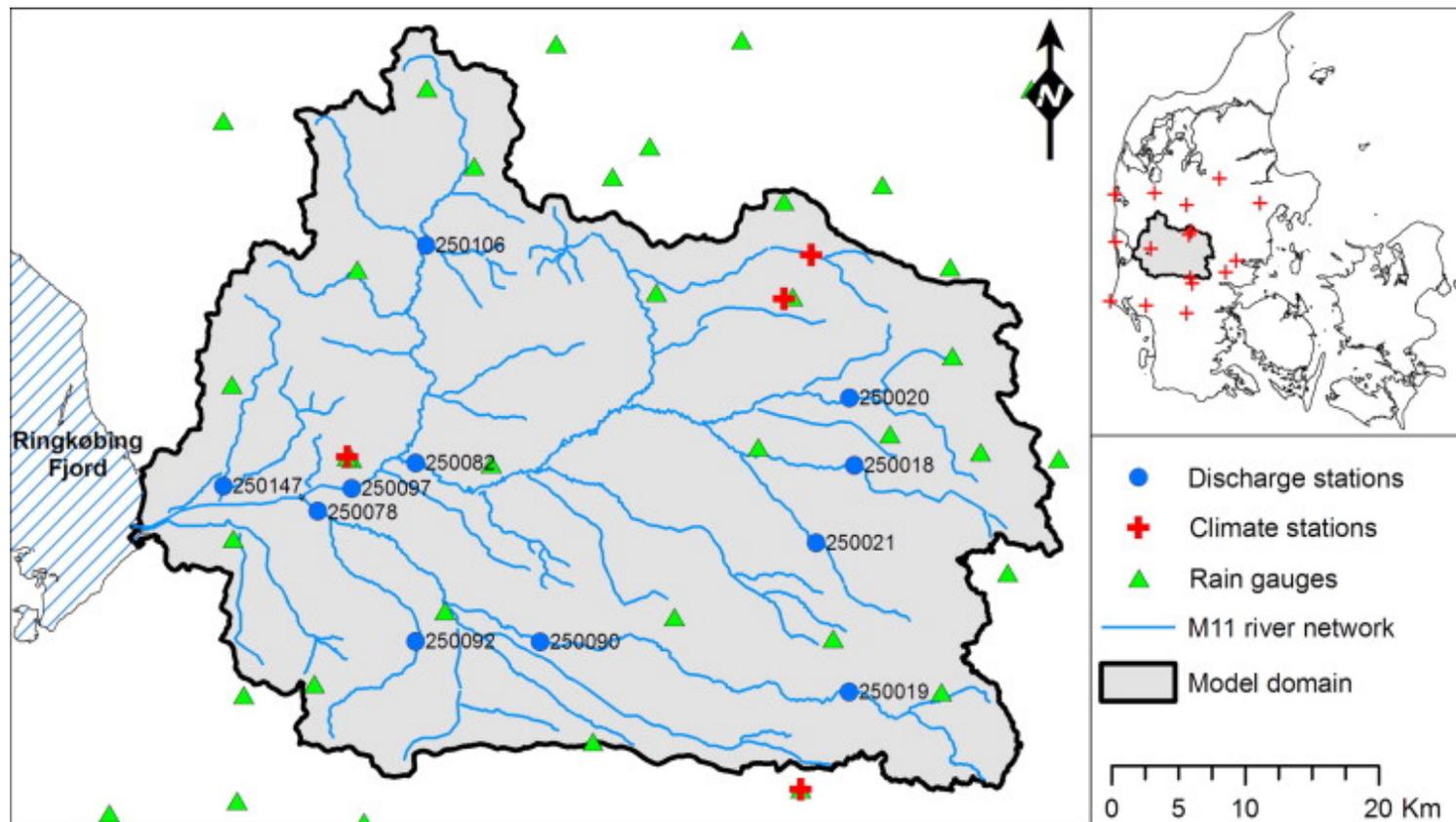
Spatial model validation

- Introduction
- Benchmark spatial performance metrics
- Modeling case study
- Spatial model evaluation as diagnostic tool



Introduction

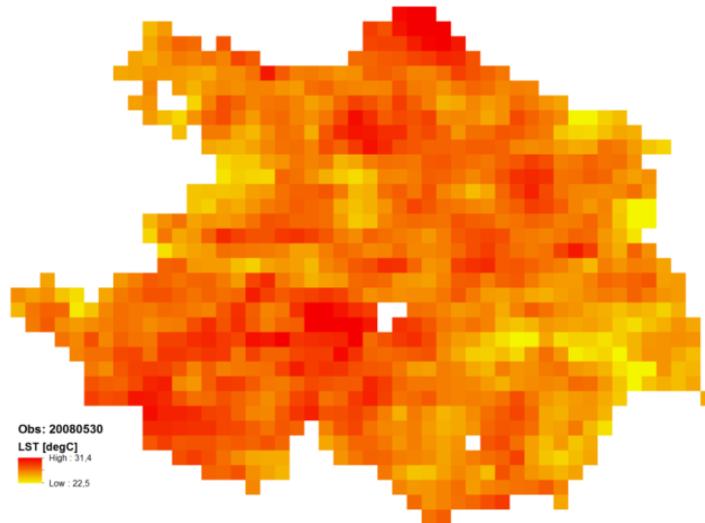
Aggregated model measures like e.g. Nash-Sutcliffe efficiency don't necessarily grant **right results for the right reasons**



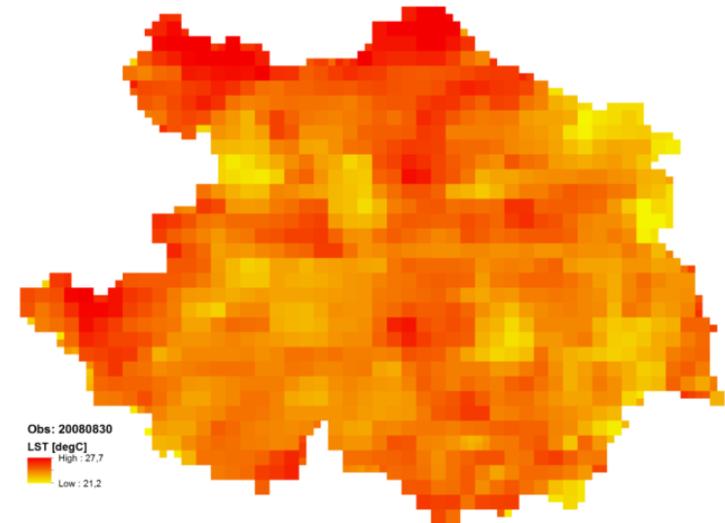
Introduction

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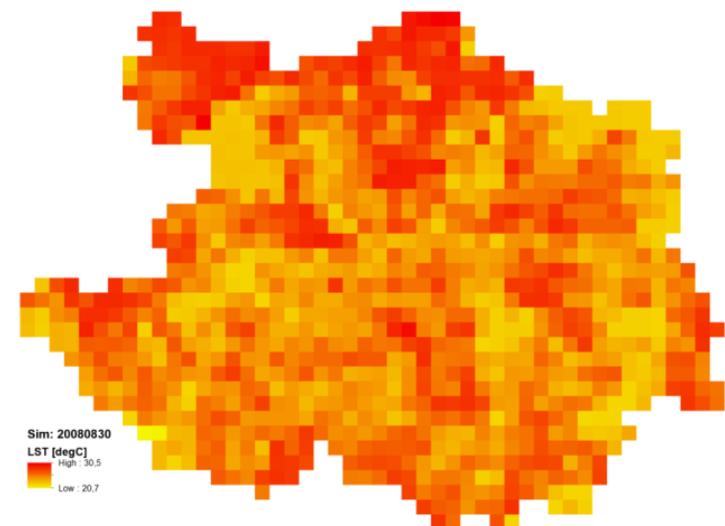
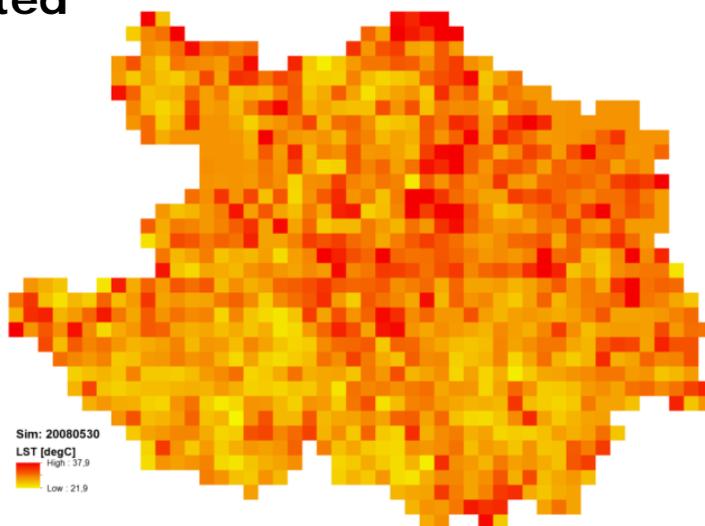
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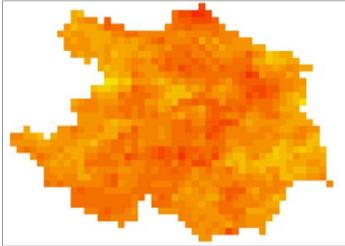


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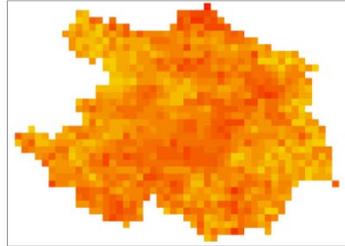


Survey of the human perception

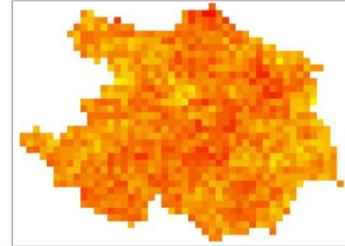
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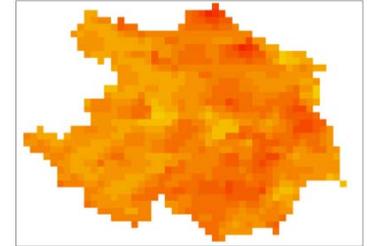
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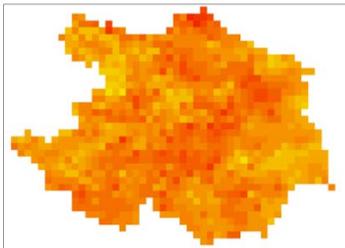
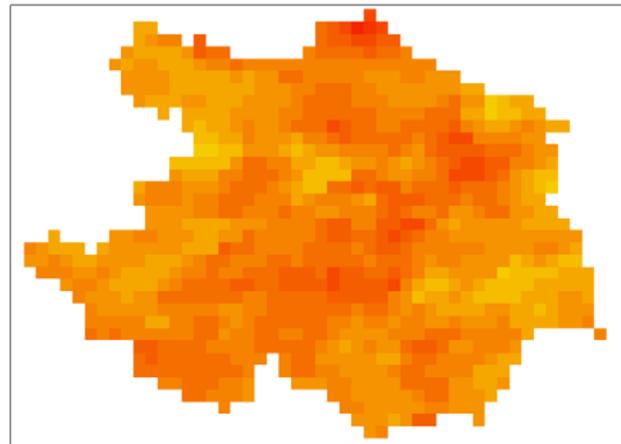
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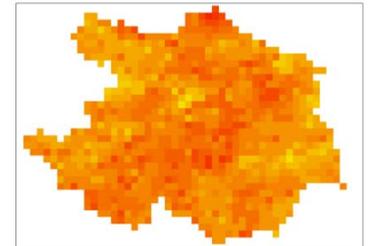
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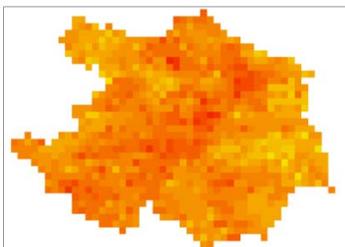
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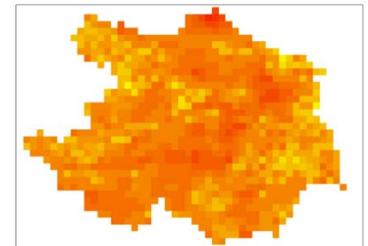
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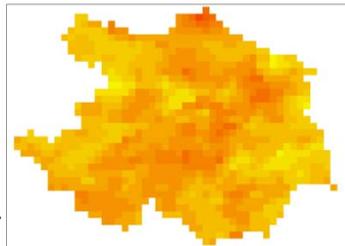
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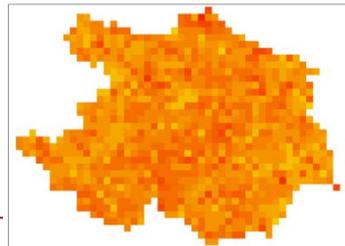
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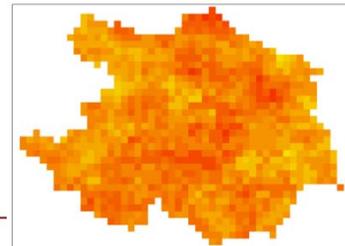
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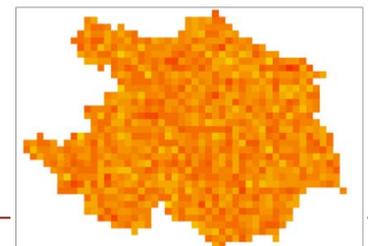
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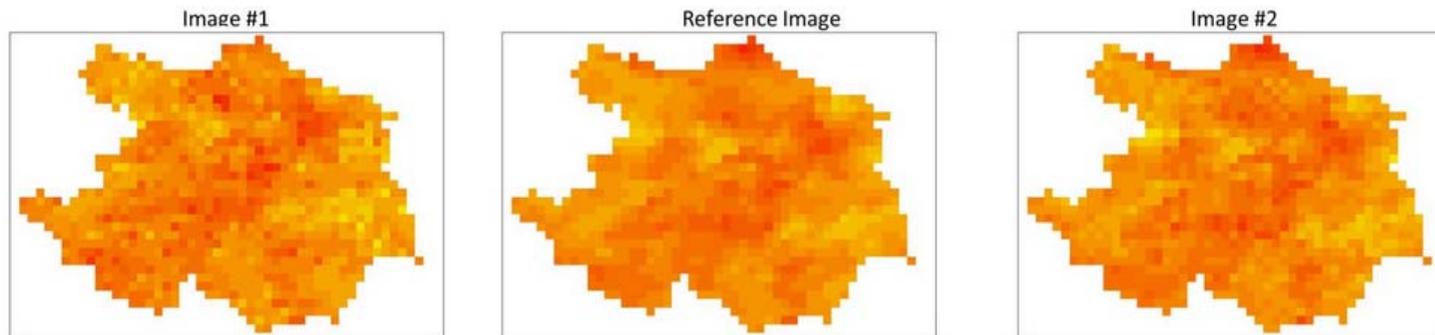
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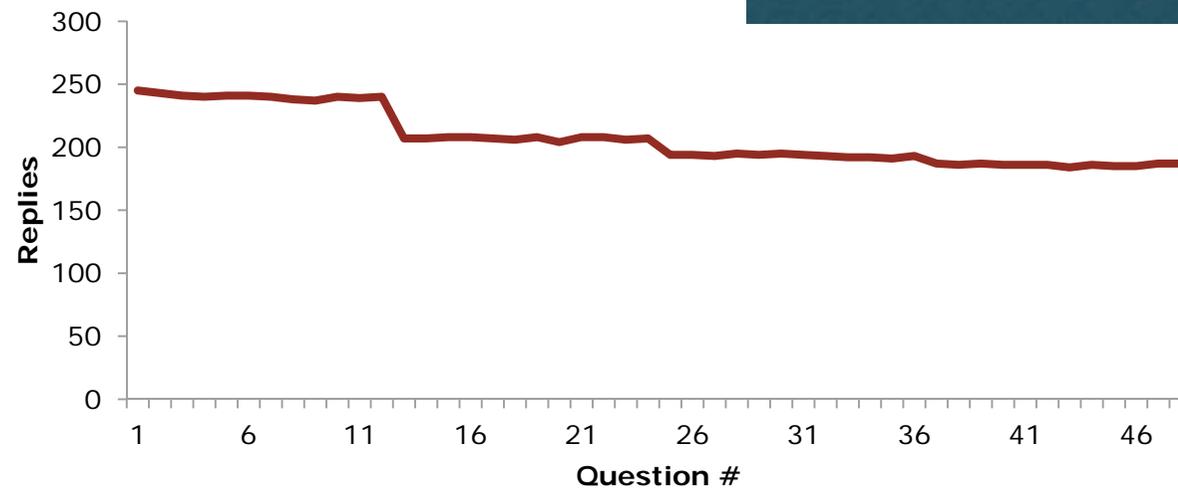
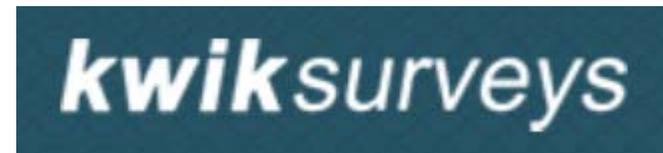


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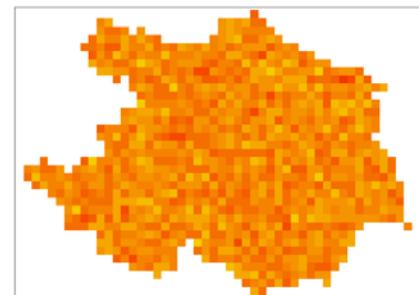
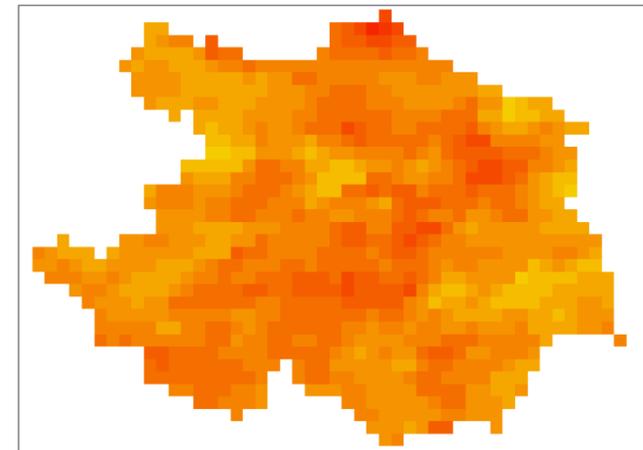
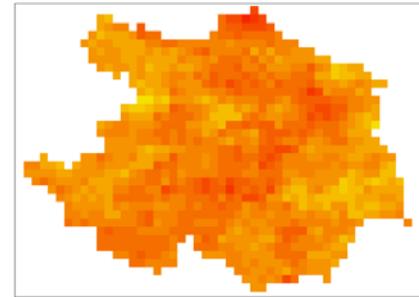
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- Image 1
- Image 2
- Equal similarity



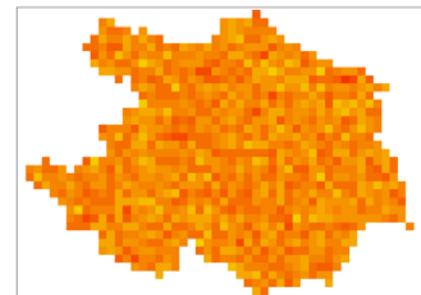
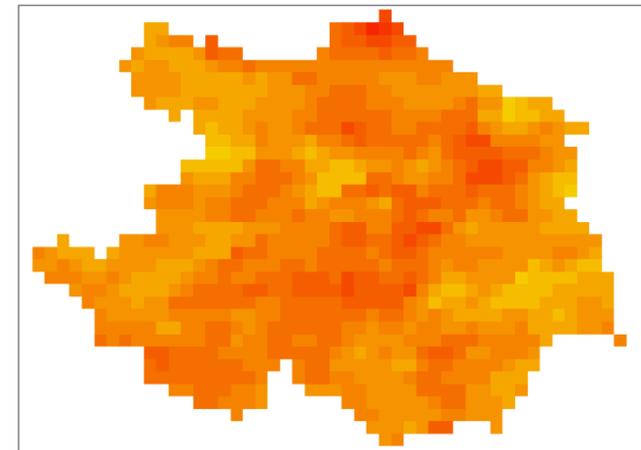
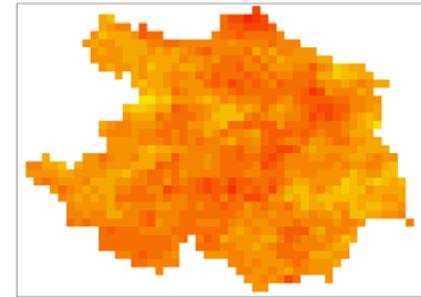
Survey Results

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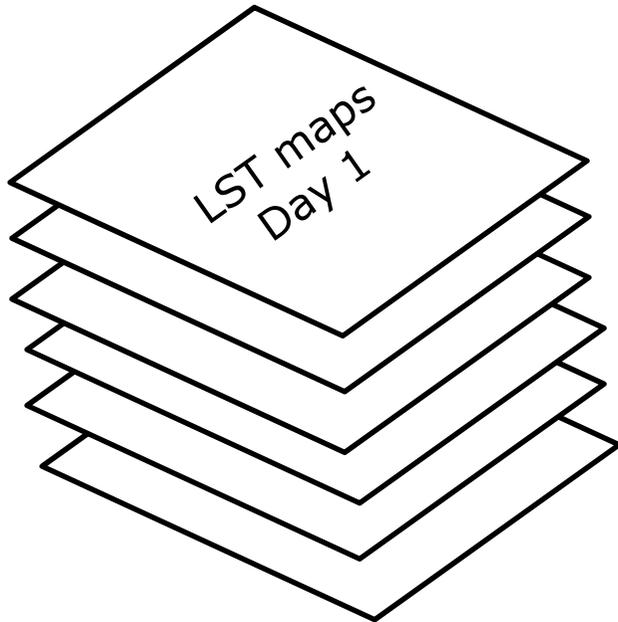


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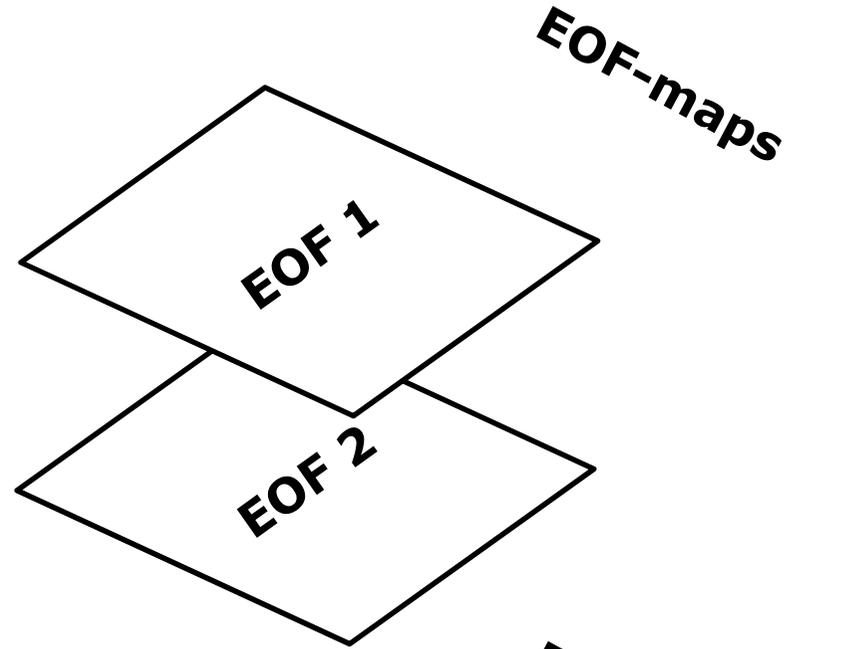
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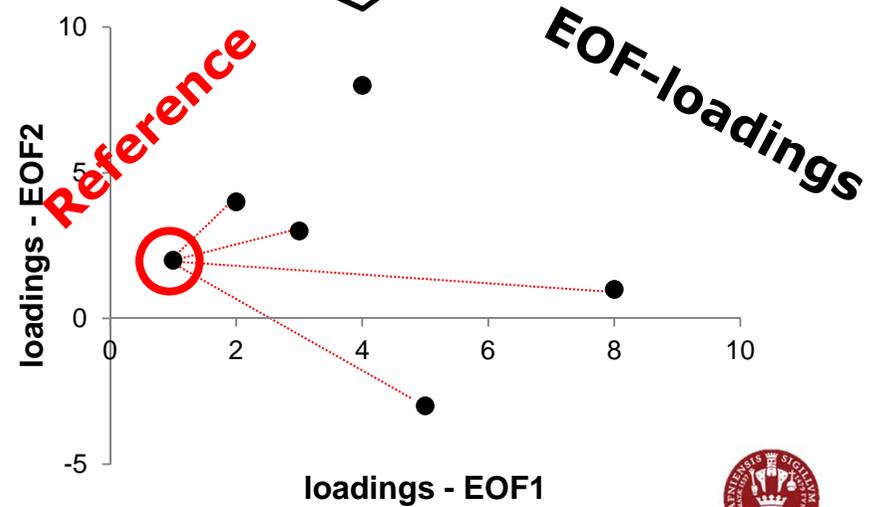
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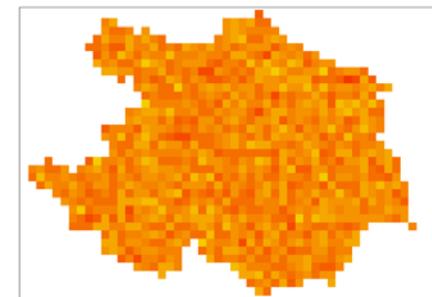
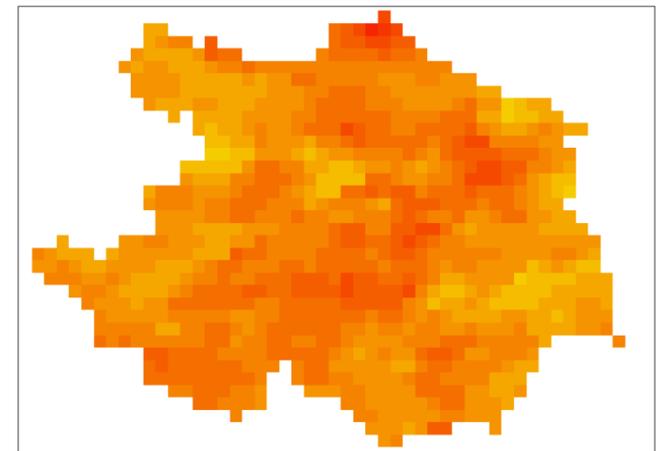
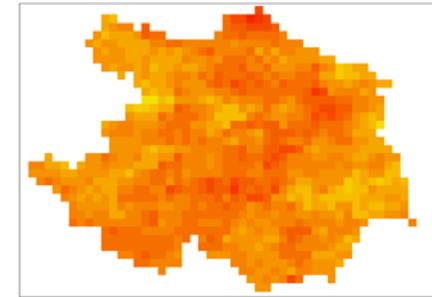


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Cell_n			Lst_nn

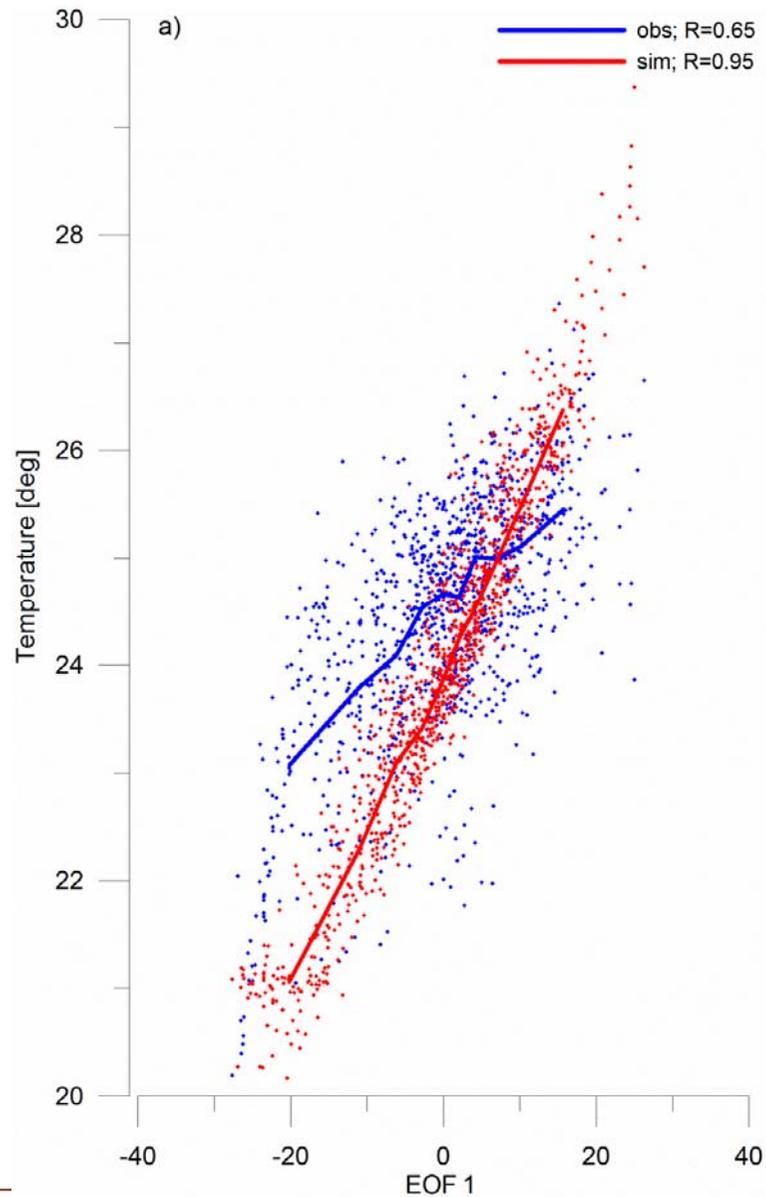


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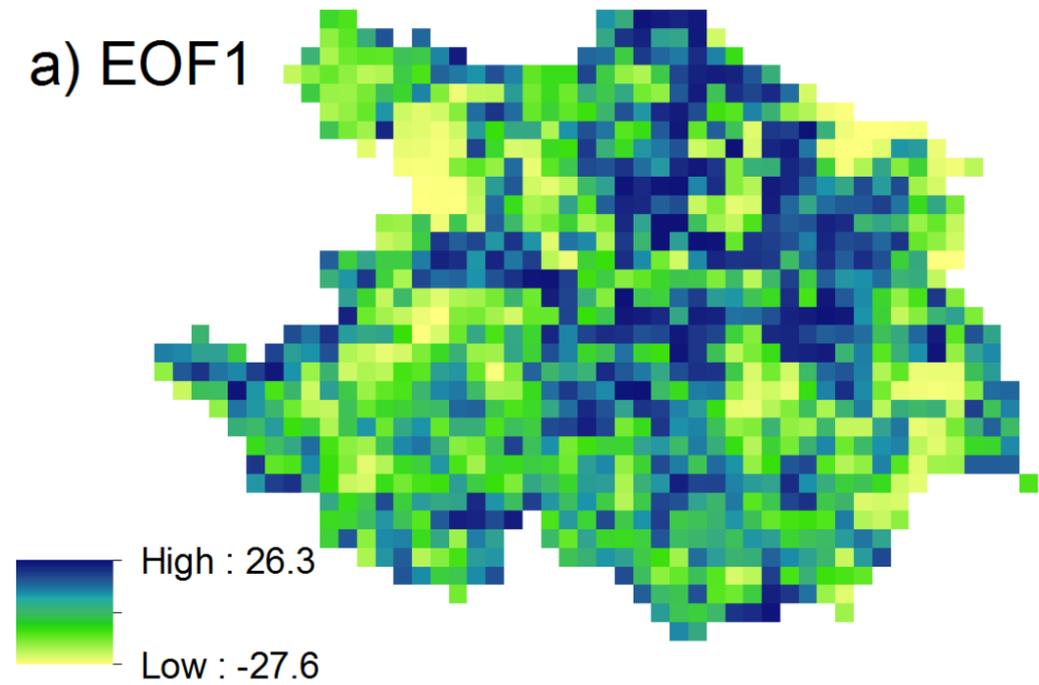
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10	9	5	2	2
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7	10	10	7	7



EOF - Analysis



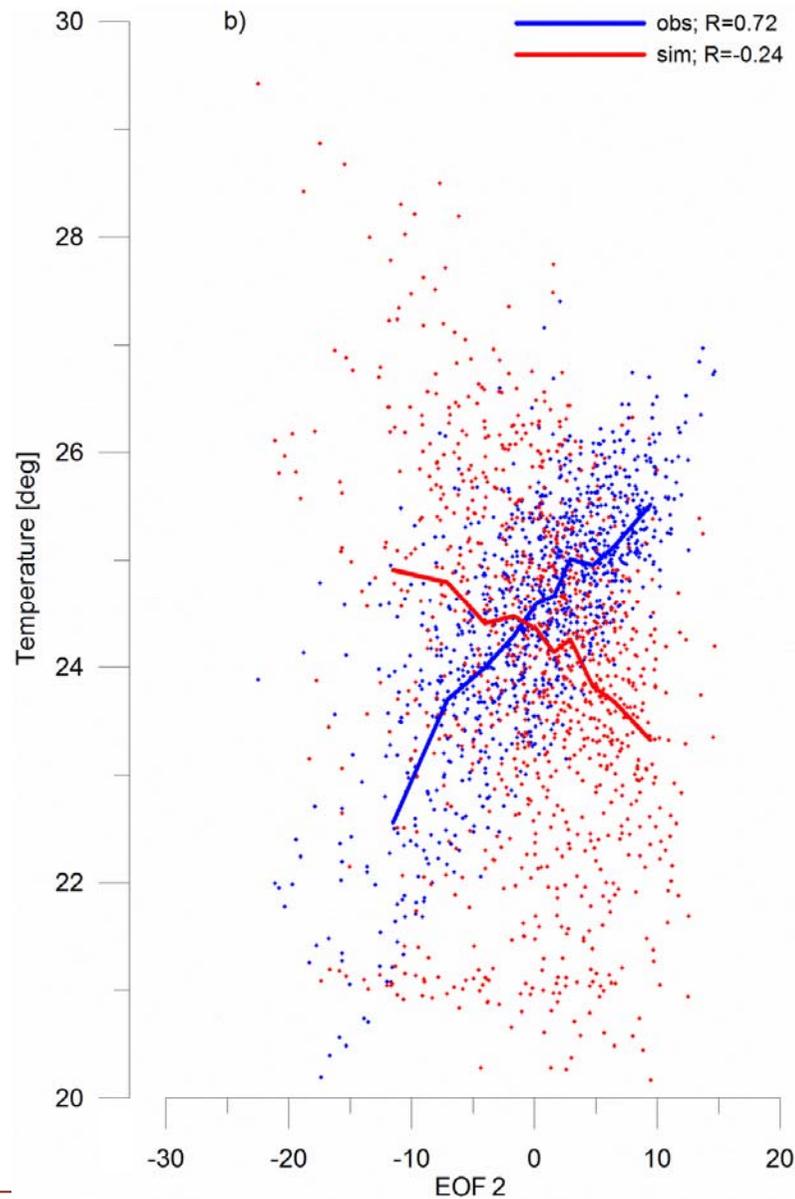
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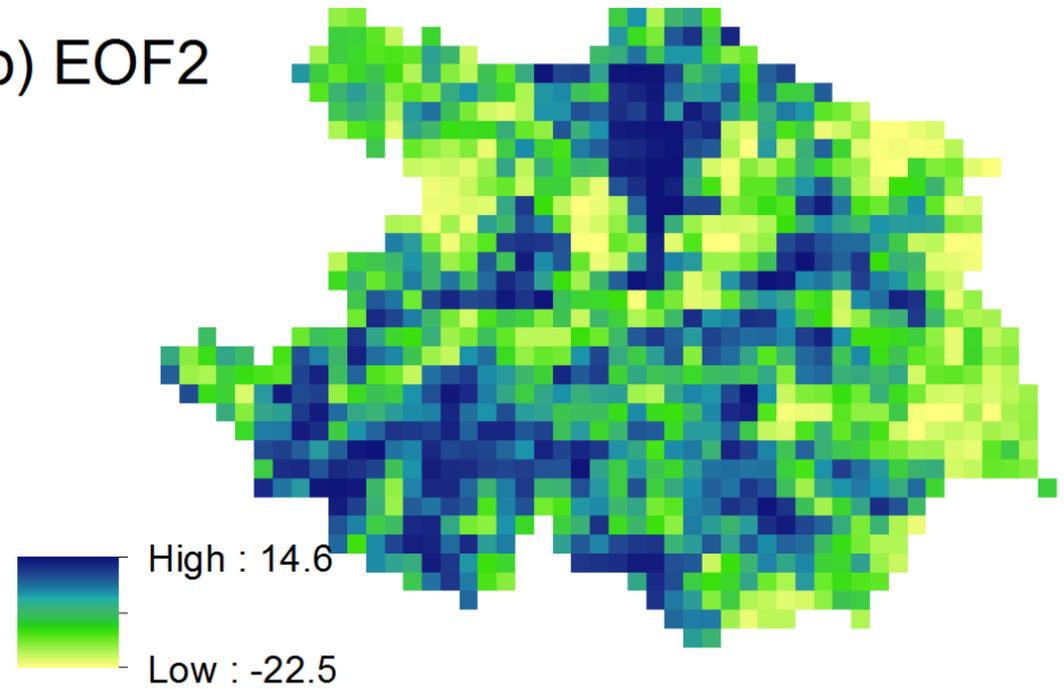
49% Variance



EOF - Analysis



b) EOF2

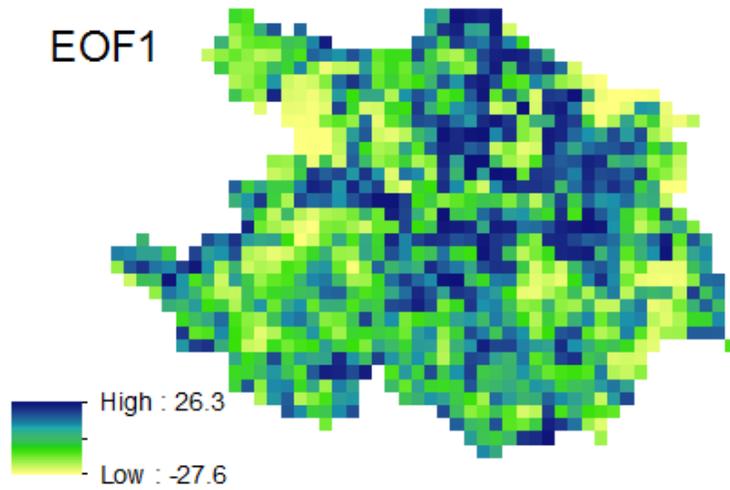


19% Variance

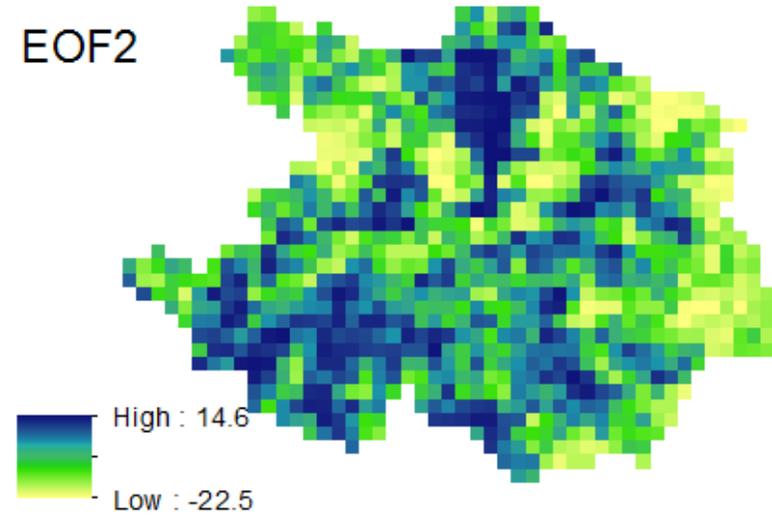


Diagnostic tool

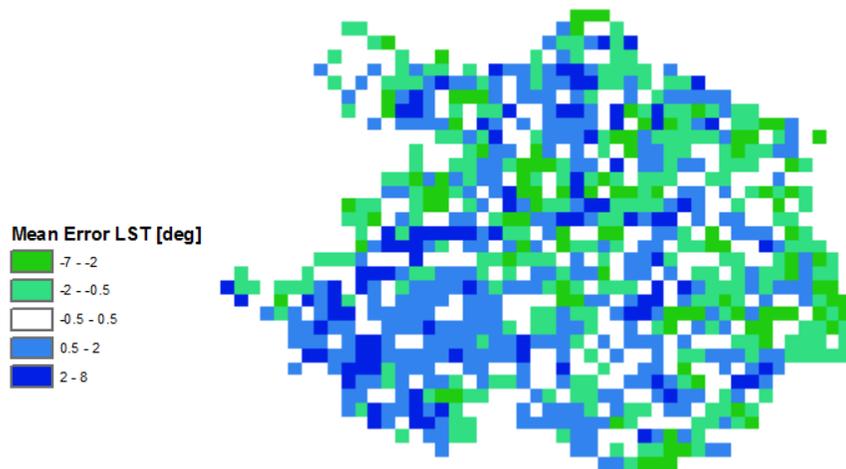
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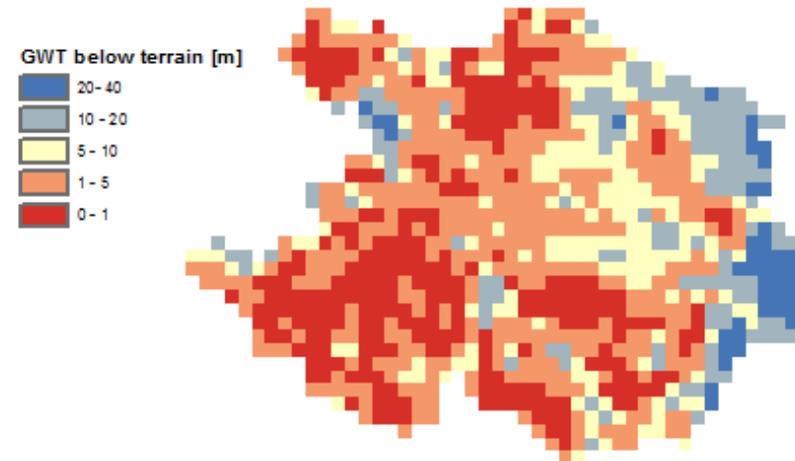
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Mean LST Error



Groundwater Table



Conclusion

- Survey proved useful
- Geostatistical pattern comparison challenging
- Learn about the distributed model
- Improve the distributed model



Thank you for your attention!

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