

Gap filling based on EOF analysis of temporal covariance of offset tracking displacement measurement time series

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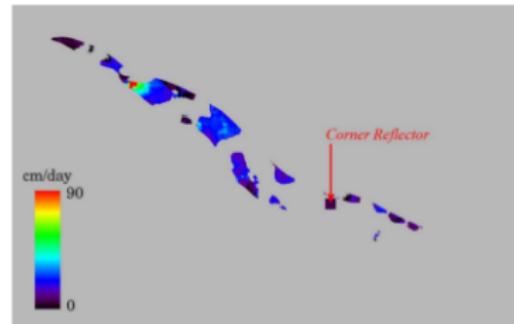
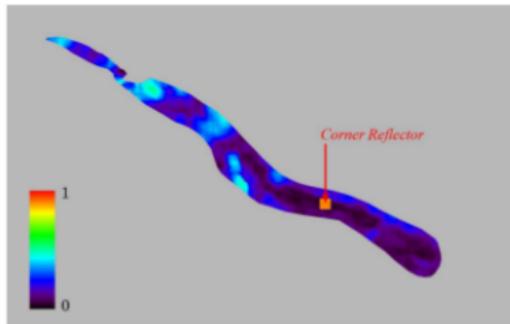
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Context

- Regular availability of satellite images (e.g. Sentinel data)
- Different displacement extraction techniques : (D-)InSAR, offset tracking...
- Presence of missing data in displacement fields **in space and time**
- **Causes** : image quality, missing image, possible limitations of displacement extraction techniques.



Argentiere glacier, offset tracking of TerraSAR-X in Summer 2010 (Fallourd et al. 2011)

Motivation

- Inverse distance weighting (IDW), simple kriging (SK), regression problems
- Spatial interpolation only
- It is necessary to make use of **temporal information**

How can we manage the presence of **spatio-temporal** missing data in time series ?

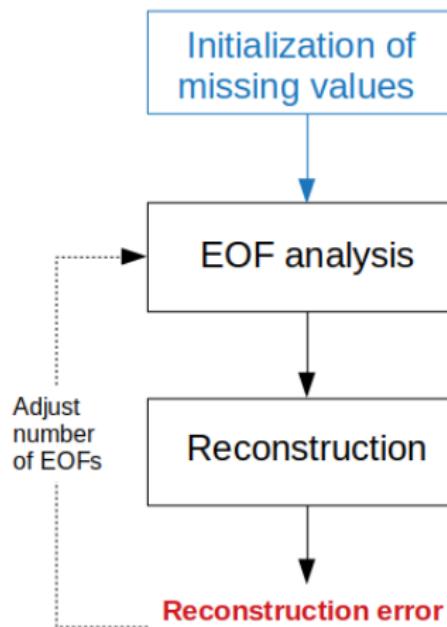
→ We propose a statistical method based on spatio-temporal characteristics of the displacement time series.

The EM-EOF method

- Based on Empirical Orthogonal Functions (EOFs) which allow a signal representation in terms of **orthogonal functions** which describe a temporal or spatial mode of variation (comes from PCA), see (Hannachi et al. 2007);
- Based on analyses of the temporal or spatio-temporal **covariance** of a time series of displacement measurement;
- Iterative processing with a **first initialization** of missing values by hand before EOF analysis.

→ Allows for a **spatio-temporal interpolation**

Workflow



Data representation

- Let $X(\mathbf{s}, t)$ be a **spatio-temporal** field containing the values of X at position \mathbf{s} and time t :

$$X = (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & \cdots & X_{1n} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & \cdots & X_{2n} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & \cdots & X_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_{p1} & X_{p2} & X_{p3} & \cdots & X_{pn} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$(x_{ij})_{1 \leq i \leq p, 1 \leq j \leq n}$ is the value at position \mathbf{s}_i and time t_j and may be **missing**.

- We then **initialize** the missing values by a defined quantity.

Reconstruction using EOFs

- Estimation of the temporal covariance :

$$C = \frac{1}{p-1} X^t X \quad (2)$$

- Then we resolve :

$$CS = SD \quad (3)$$

→ S contains the self-orthogonal eigenvectors $(\mathbf{s}_i)_{0 \leq i \leq p}$ called EOFs.

- We reconstruct X with M number of EOFs :

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^r a_i \mathbf{s}_i^t \rightarrow \hat{X} = \sum_{i=1}^{M \ll r} a_i \mathbf{s}_i^t \quad (4)$$

with $a_i = X \mathbf{s}_i$ and $r \leq \min(p, n)$.

Key parameters

1. Missing data

- % of missing values
- Type : random, correlated

2. Noise

- Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR)
- Type : white Gaussian, correlated noise

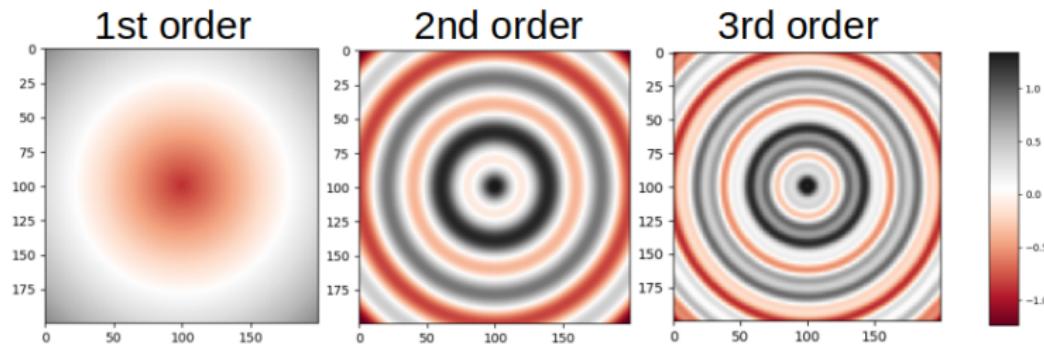
3. Missing data initialization

- Spatial mean
- Spatial mean + noise

Synthetic data

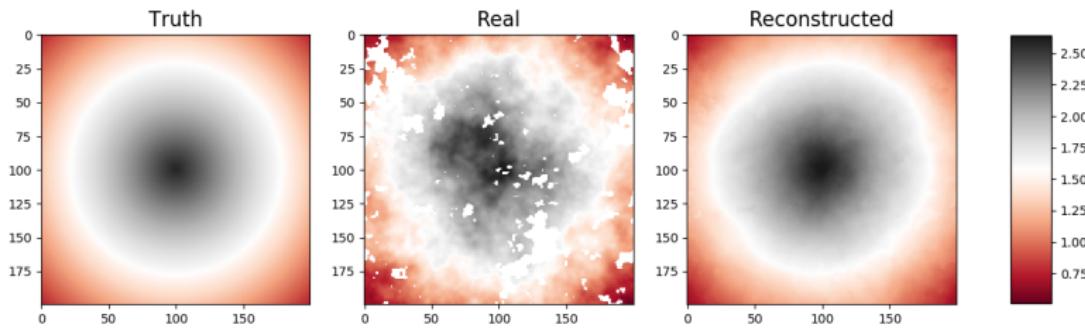
Different spatio-temporal fields are generated for the experience :

$f(r, t)$	Order
$(1 - 2r)t$	1
$\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}t) \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}r) + 0.5 \cos(\frac{3\pi}{2}t) \cos(5\pi r)$	2
$\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}t) \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}r) + 0.5 \cos(\frac{3\pi}{2}t) \cos(5\pi r) + 0.3 \sin(\frac{7\pi}{2}t) \sin(15\pi r)$	3

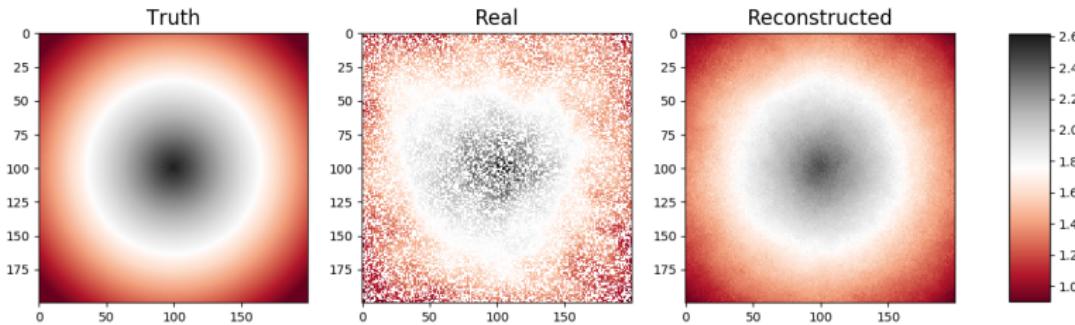


Some results on synthetic data

1 EOF - 15% gaps - SNR=3.18 - 27 iterations

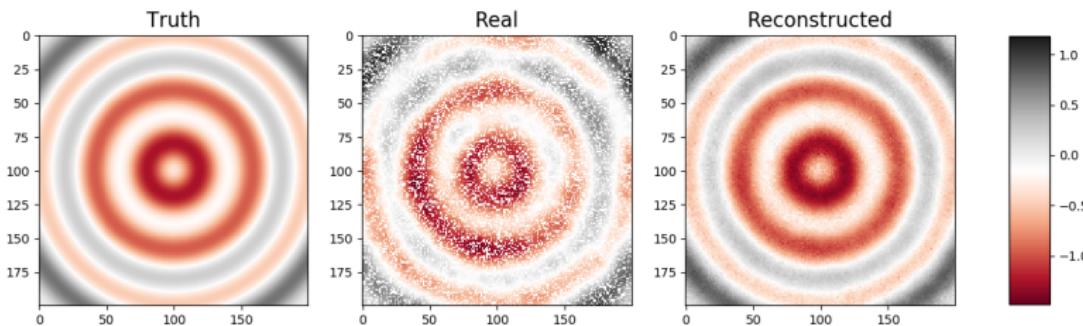


1 EOF - 50% gaps - SNR=3.27 - 816 iterations

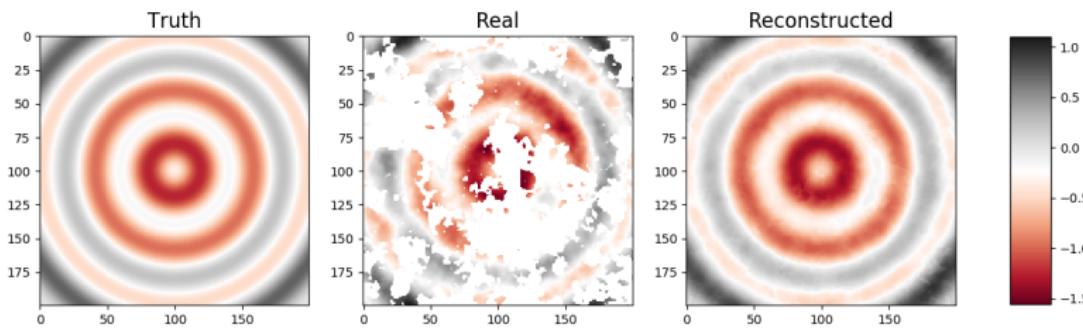


Some results on synthetic data

2 EOF - 30% gaps - SNR=2.24 - 203 iterations

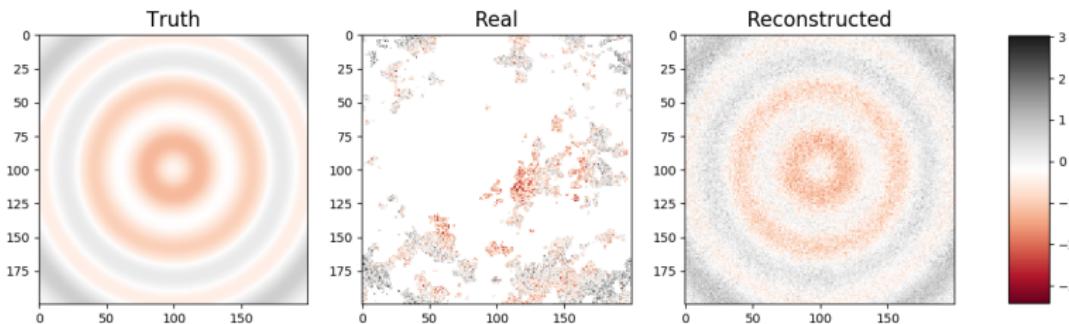


2 EOF - 50% gaps - SNR=2.29 - 103 iterations

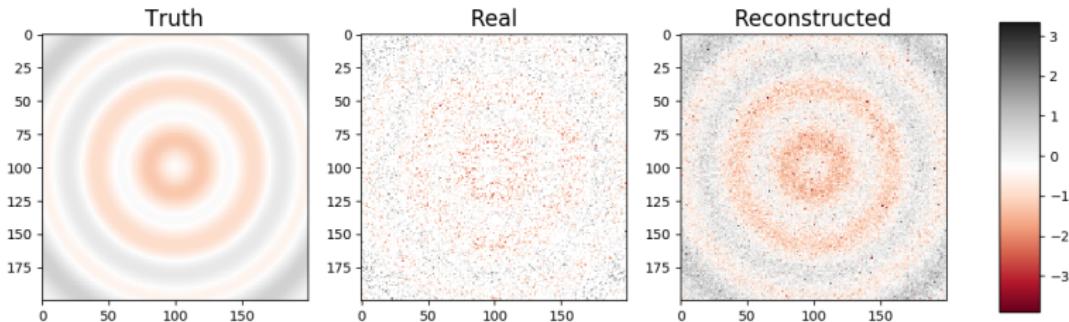


Some results on synthetic data : worst cases

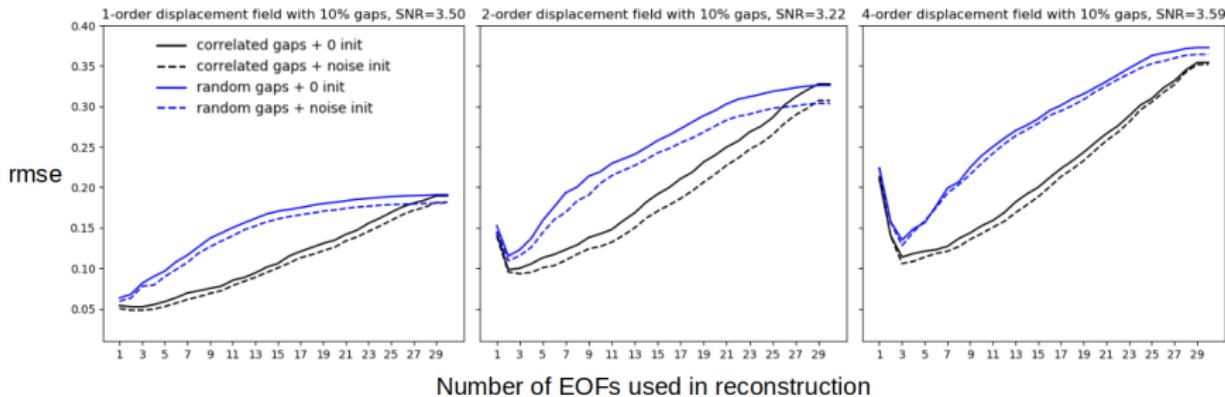
1 EOF - 70% gaps - SNR=0.52 - 72 iterations



1 EOF - 70% gaps - SNR=0.52 - 326 iterations



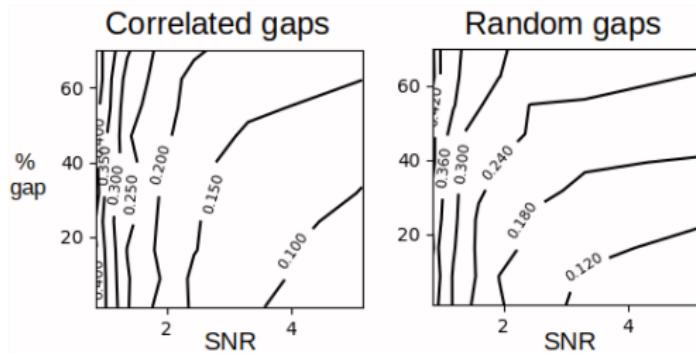
Reconstruction error : RMSE vs. number of EOFs



- $\min(\text{RMSE})$ is reached at $M \approx \text{signal order}$
- M greatly depends on missing data type and less on missing data initialization.

Reconstruction error

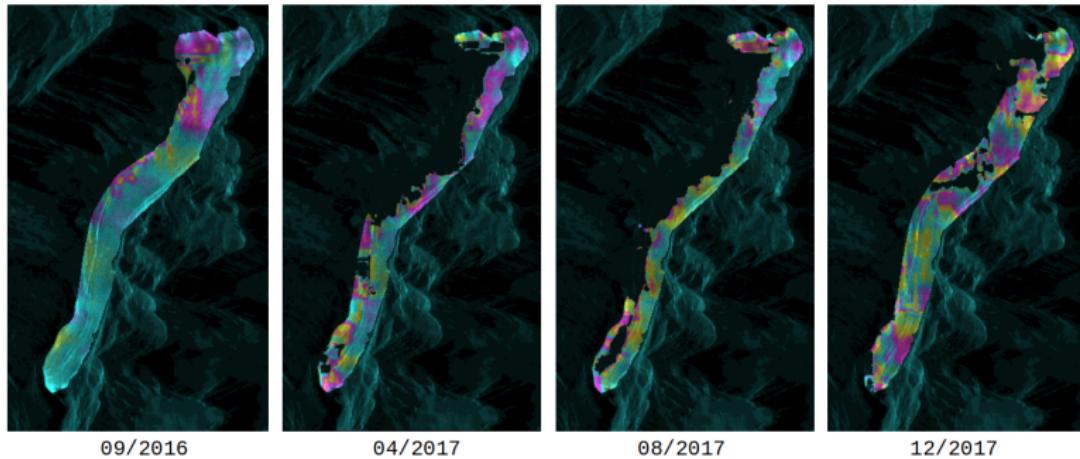
$\min(\text{RMSE})$ for % of gaps vs. SNR with noise initialization :



- Best case : high SNR (>3) and few missing values ($<10\%$)
- The impact of SNR is more important than the % of missing values.

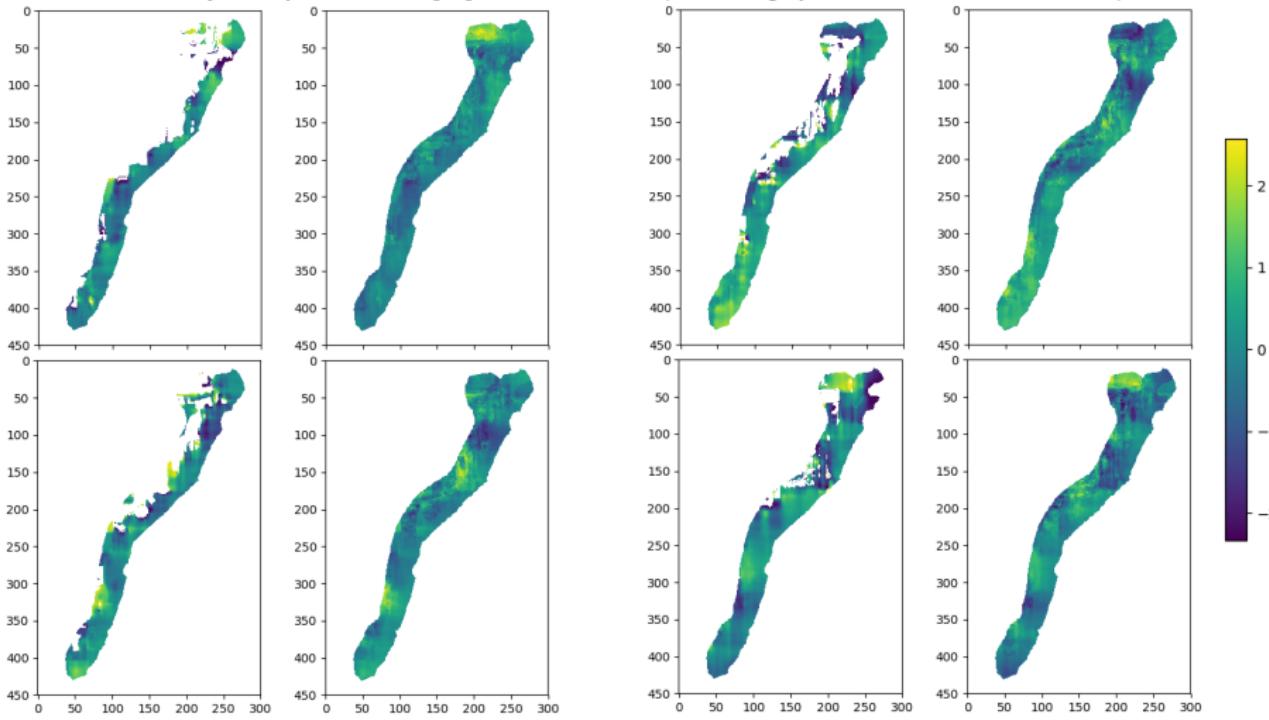
Time series of displacement fields

- 65 displacement fields of Mont-Blanc glaciers computed by *offset tracking* of Sentinel 1 SAR images
- Time period : september 2016 to december 2017
- Presence of missing data in space and time



Preliminary results

12 days-displacement [m] in radar LOS (5-30% gaps, 8 EOF, RMSE \leq 10%)



Conclusion

1. EM-EOF method seems promising according to synthetic simulations :
 - The proposed method is **robust against % of gaps** (reconstruction still working for $\geq 50\%$ gaps) ;
 - The reconstruction performs better with **correlated gaps initialized with noise** ;
 - The reconstruction is more demanding in case of correlated noise ;
 - The impact of the SNR is more significant than the quantity of gaps.
2. Satisfactory preliminary results over Argentiere glacier obtained ;
3. Further investigation and **validation by InSAR** data in future work.

Questions ?



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Reconstruction error

Crossed validation reconstruction error :

$$rmse = \frac{1}{N} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N |\mathbf{x}_r - \mathbf{x}|^2} \quad (5)$$

where \mathbf{x}_r and \mathbf{x} are vectors containing N points randomly chosen in each image before reconstruction.

Singular Spectrum Analysis

Data representation :

$$\mathbf{x}_t = (\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_{t+1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t+M-1}) \quad (6)$$

$$\mathcal{X} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 & \mathbf{x}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_M \\ \mathbf{x}_2 & \mathbf{x}_3 & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_{M+1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{n-M+1} & \mathbf{x}_{n-M+2} & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_n \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

"Grand" covariance matrix :

$$\mathcal{C} = \frac{1}{n - M + 1} \mathcal{X}^T \mathcal{X} = \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & \cdots & C_{1p} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & \cdots & C_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ C_{p1} & C_{p2} & \cdots & C_{pp} \end{pmatrix} \quad (8)$$

where $(C_{ij})_{1 \leq i,j \leq p}$ is a delayed covariance matrix between points i and j

$$C_{ij} = \frac{1}{n - M + 1} \sum_{t=1}^{n-M+1} \mathbf{x}_t^i \mathbf{x}_t^j \quad (9)$$

Singular Spectrum Analysis

Calcul des EOFs étendus \mathbf{v}_k :

$$\mathcal{X} = U\Theta V^t \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_t^T = \sum_{k=1}^d \theta_k u_k \mathbf{v}_k \quad (11)$$

Reconstruction du signal :

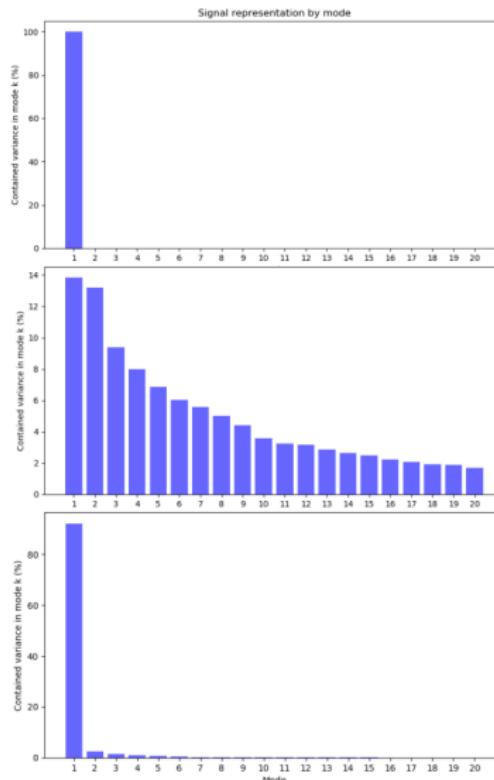
$$RCs(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{t} \sum_{j=1}^t \sum_K \theta_k v_k(t-j+1) u_k, & 1 \leq t \leq M-1 \\ \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_K \theta_k v_k(t-j+1) u_k, & M \leq t \leq n-M+1 \\ \frac{1}{n-t+1} \sum_{j=t-n+M}^M \sum_K \theta_k v_k(t-j+1) u_k, & n-M+2 \leq t \leq n \end{cases}$$

Space correlated noise

A partir d'une fonction d'auto-corrélation de type $c(r) = r^{-\beta}$ et d'une image de bruit blanc b :

1. Calcul de la densité spectrale de puissance de c : $\Gamma(c) = |\mathcal{F}\{c\}|$
2. Calcul de la TF de b : $\mathcal{F}\{b\}$
3. Filtrage fréquentiel : $\mathcal{F}\{b\}\Gamma(c)$
4. Calcul de $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{\mathcal{F}\{b\}\Gamma(c)\}$

System energy



Variance expliquée par les M premiers modes :

$$\frac{100 \sum_{k=1}^M \lambda_k}{\sum_{k=1}^r \lambda_k} \% \quad (12)$$

min(rmse) vs. image number

