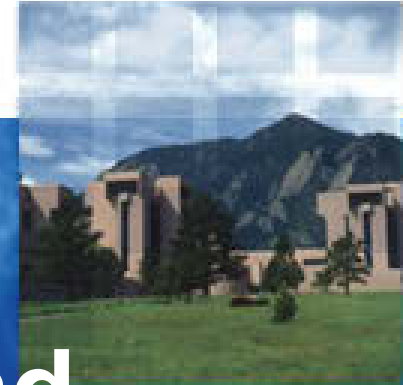
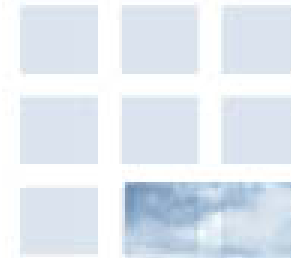




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Introduction to R and extRemes

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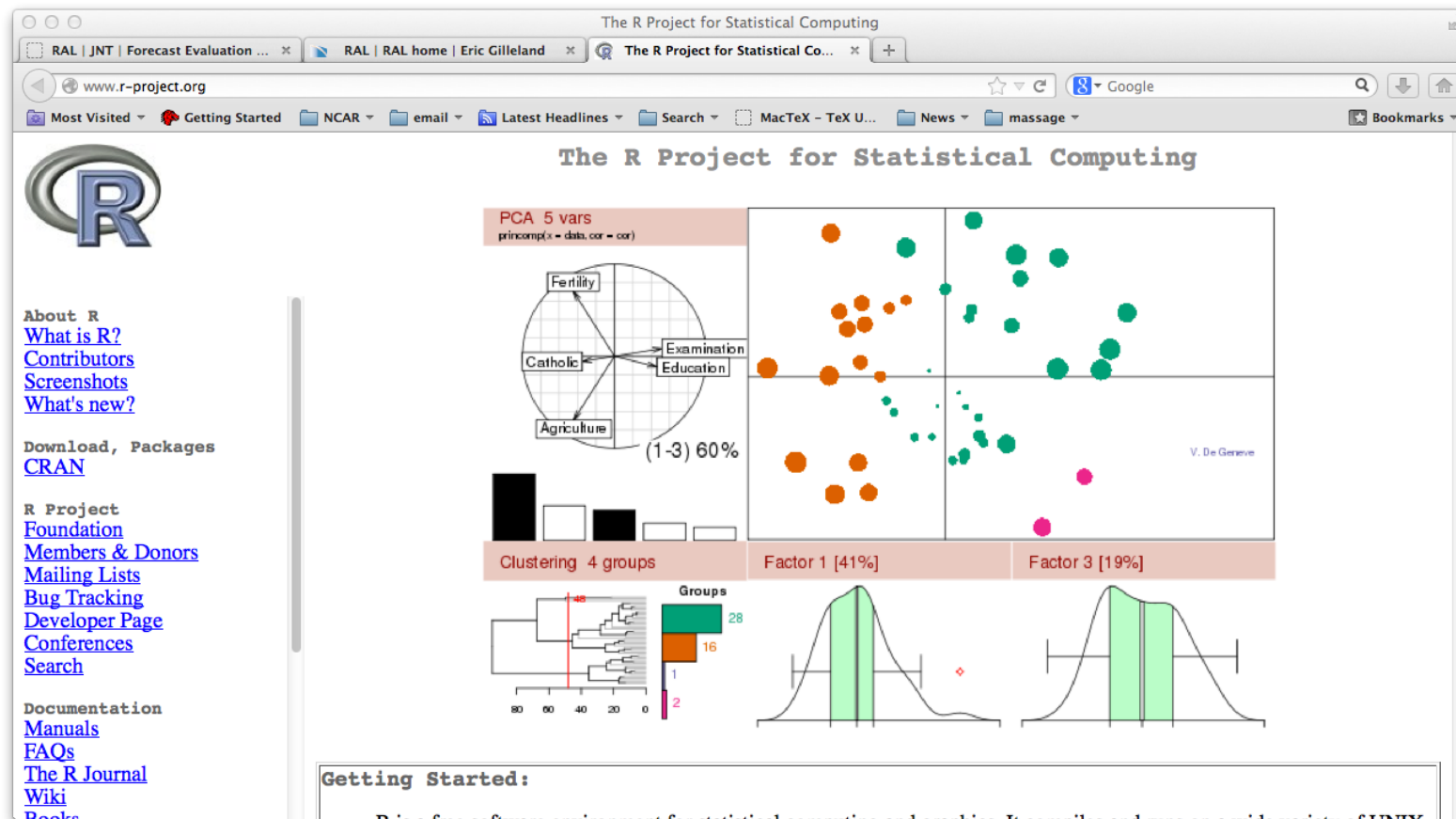
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Part I: Intro to R



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R-Project website



- Documentation
- Access to packages via CRAN
- Search engines (including one specific to R)
- other
- <http://www.R-project.org>

Advanced

- Reading and Writing Net CDF files
<http://www.image.ucar.edu/Software/Netcdf/>
- A climate related precipitation example
<http://www.image.ucar.edu/~nychka/FrontrangePrecip/>



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.RData

- All work conducted within a “dot” file called .RData, which is referred to as the workspace and exists in the working directory
- `save.image()`
- `getwd()`
- `setwd()`
- `citation()`
- `q()`
- Functions exist to export results outside of the workspace

Accessing Help Files

- ?save.image
- ?getwd
- ?setwd
- ?citation
- ?q
- To write to a file outside of .Rdata working directory
 - ?write (text, csv, etc.)
 - ?write.table (text, csv, etc.)

Object Oriented

- `plot`
- `methods(plot)`
- `methods(class="lm")`
- `print`
- `summary`
- `predict`
- `length`

Logical Operators

- `&`, `&&` (and)
- `|`, `||` (or)
- `==`
- `>=`, `>`, `<`, `<=`
- `is.na`, `is.finite`, `is.numeric`, `is.logical`,
`is.element`

Logical Operators: Accessing Help NCAR Files

- ?"&", ?"&&"
- ?"|"
- ?"=="
- ?is.na



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Arithmetic Operators

- $+$
- $-$
- $*$
- $/$
- \wedge , $**$
- $\%*\%$ (matrix multiplication)

Assignment Operators

- `<-`
 - `x <- 1:10`
- `->`
 - `1:10 -> x`
- `=`
 - `x = 1:10`
 - `1:10 × = x`
- `?assign`

Functions

- help, ?
- plot
- Sys.time
- Sys.time()
 - x is the result of the Sys.time call
- y <- Sys.time
 - y is a copy of the function Sys.time
- args(plot)

Some of my terminology



- x “gets” 1 to 10
 - `x <- 1:10`
 - `x <- seq(1,10,1)`
 - `x <- seq(1, 10, , 10)`
- plot x
 - `plot(x)`
- x “at” 3
 - `x[3]`

Some of my terminology



- open paren
 - (
- close paren
 -)
- square brackets
 - open [
 - close]
- curly brackets / braces
 - open {
 - close }



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Packages

- Thousands of users have written packages. Most are freely available in the same place, and accessible (installation) from within an R session (provided you are connected to the internet).
- Must first install the package you want (need only do once), and load the library for each new R session.
- `?install.packages`
- `?update.packages`
- `?library`
- `citation("pkgname")`

Installing / Updating a package



- Need be done only once (per update)
- Install extRemes
 - `install.packages("extRemes")`
 - Select a mirror
 - Installs extRemes and dependencies
- Updating already installed packages (all at once)
 - `update.packages()`
 - will prompt you for a mirror and may ask for confirmation to update each package.

Loading a package

- Must be done for every new R session (if you want to use the package)
- Load extRemes
 - `library("extRemes")`
 - loads all dependent packages as well

Citing R packages

- `citation("pkgname")`
- Example: to cite `extRemes`:
 - `citation("extRemes")`



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Some Atmospheric Science Oriented Packages

- Spatial Statistics
 - fields
 - spatstat,
 - sp
 - maps
 - Many More! (See the Spatial Data Task View on the R-Project web site)
- Extreme Value Analysis
 - extRemes
 - SpatialExtremes
 - texmex
 - Many More! (<http://www.ral.ucar.edu/staff/ericg/softextreme.php>)
- Forecast Verification / Model Evaluation
 - verification
 - SpatialVx
- RadioSonde
- ncdf, netCDF
- smoothie

Formulas in R

Left as an exercise. Should get somewhat familiar with these because they are used for modeling nonstationary EV models in `extRemes` (≥ 2.0).

?formula

Types of R objects

- functions
- vectors, matrices, arrays
 - numeric, integer, etc.
 - character
 - factor
- data frames
- lists
- other

vectors, matrices, arrays



```
x <- cbind(c(1,2,3), c(4,5,6))
y <- matrix(1:6, ncol = 2)
x
y
x == y
any(x != y)
x[, 1]
x[2, ] <- NA
is.na(x)
x - y
x[1:2, 3]
x[, -1]
```

vectors, matrices, arrays



```
x <- rnorm(100)
```

```
class(x)
```

```
is.vector(x)
```

```
is.matrix(x)
```

```
x[ 1:10 ]
```

```
plot(x)
```

vectors, matrices, arrays



```
x <- array(1:24, dim = c(2, 3, 4))
```

```
x
```

```
x[, , 1] <- 0
```

```
x
```

```
apply(x, 1:2, sum)
```




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data frames

```
x <- data.frame(obs = 1:10, x = runif(10),  
                y = rnorm(10))
```

```
x
```

```
x[, "x"]
```

```
x[, 2]
```

```
plot(x)
```

```
class(x)
```

```
is.list(x)
```

lists



```
x <- list(f = function(x) return(x ^2),  
          x = rnorm(10), y = 1:6)
```

```
x
```

```
x$f(3)
```

```
x$x
```

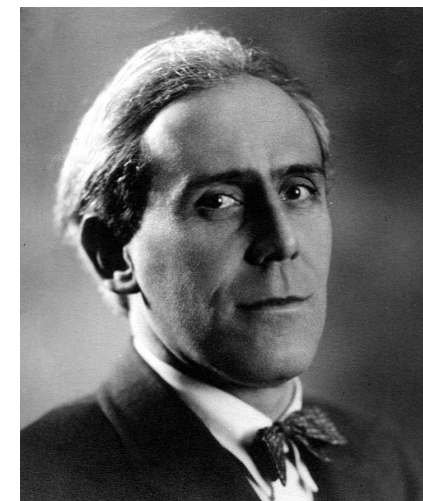
```
class(x)
```

Conclusion of Part I: Intro to R

Part II: Extreme Value Analysis with `extRemes` ≥ 2.0 Block Maxima



Midwest flood 1993 (NCAR Digital Image Library, DI00578)



“Il est impossible
que l'improbable
n'arrive jamais”
--Emil Gumbel

Tutorial



<http://www.ral.ucar.edu/staff/ericg/extRemes/extRemes2.pdf>



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Simulate a sample of size 100 of maxima of standard normal distributed samples

```
library(extRemes)
```

```
Zmax <- matrix(rnorm(100 * 1000),  
               1000, 100)
```

```
dim(Zmax)
```

```
Zmax <- apply(Zmax, 2, max)
```

```
dim(Zmax)
```



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Simulate a sample of size 100 of maxima of standard normal distributed samples

```
length(Zmax)
```

```
plot(Zmax, type = "h", col = "darkblue")
```



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Fit a GEV distribution to the simulated sample

```
fit <- fevd(Zmax)
```

```
fit
```

```
plot(fit)
```

```
ci(fit, type = "parameter")
```

```
distill(fit)
```




Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Plot maximum winter temperature (°C) in Sept-Iles,
Québec

```
data ( SEPTsp )
```

```
?SEPTsp
```

```
par (mfrow = c (2, 2) )
```



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Plot maximum winter temperature (°C) in Sept-Iles,
Québec

```
plot(TMX1~ Year, data = SEPTsp,  
     type = "h", col = "darkblue")
```

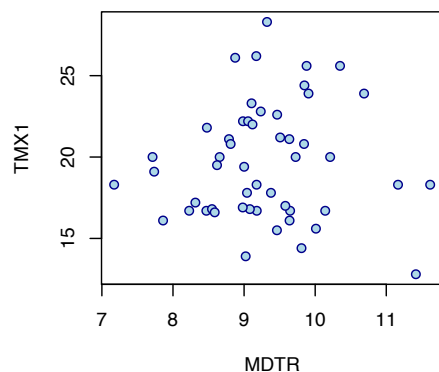
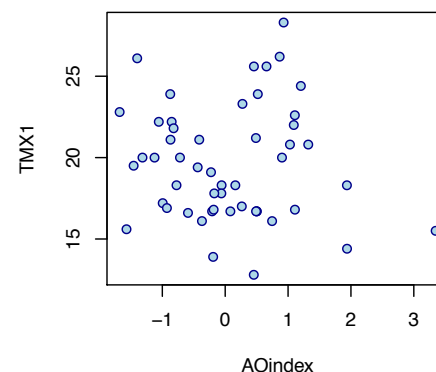
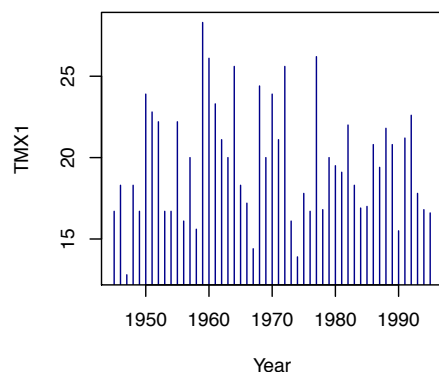
```
plot(TMX1~ AOindex, data = SEPTsp,  
     pch = 21, col = "darkblue",  
     bg = "lightblue")
```

```
plot(TMX1~ MDTR, data = SEPTsp,  
     pch = 21, col = "darkblue",  
     bg = "lightblue")
```



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Maximum winter temperature in Sept-Iles, Québec





Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Fit a GEV distribution to maximum winter temperature in Sept-Iles, Québec

```
fit0 <- fevd(TMX1, data = SEPTsp,  
             units = "deg C")
```

```
fit0
```

```
plot(fit0)
```

```
ci(fit0, type = "parameter")
```

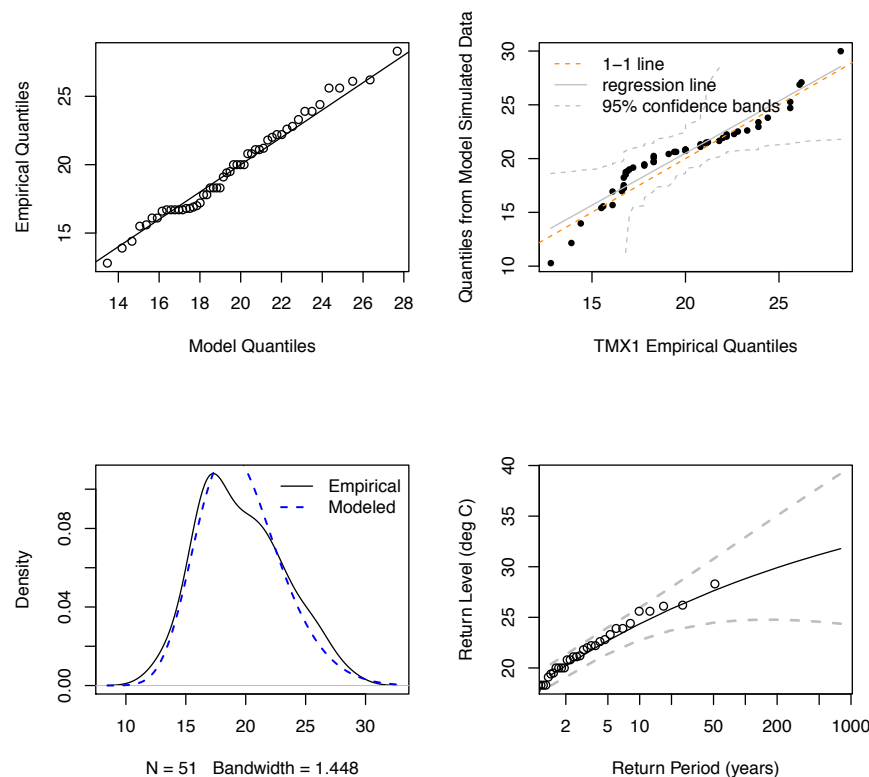
```
ci(fit0)
```



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Fit a GEV distribution to maximum winter temperature in Sept-Iles, Québec

fevd(x = TMX1, data = SEPTsp, units = "deg C")





Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Fit a GEV distribution to maximum winter temperature in Sept-Iles, Québec

```
fit1 <- fevd(TMX1, data = SEPTsp,  
            location.fun = ~AOindex,  
            units = "deg C")
```

```
fit1
```

```
plot(fit1)
```

```
lr.test(fit0, fit1)
```

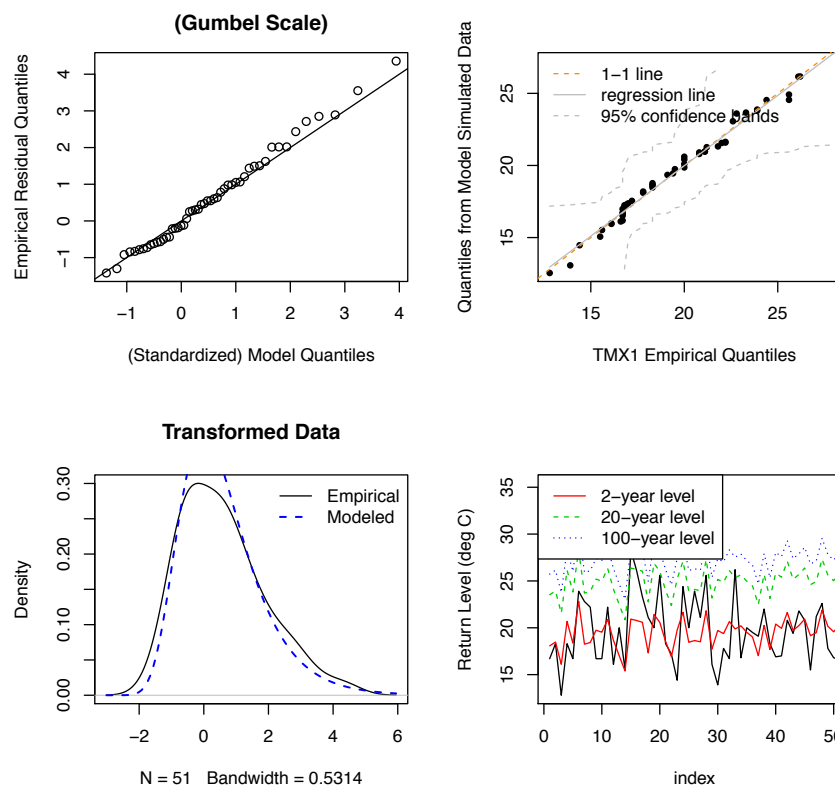
Inclusion of AOindex in location parameter is not significant.



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Fit a GEV distribution to maximum winter temperature in Sept-Iles, Québec

```
fevd(x = TMX1, data = SEPTsp, location.fun = ~STD TMAX, units = "deg C")
```





Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Fit a GEV distribution to maximum winter temperature in Sept-Iles, Québec

```
fit2 <- fevd(TMX1, data = SEPTsp,  
            scale.fun = ~STD TMAX,  
            use.phi = TRUE, units = "deg C")
```

```
fit2
```

```
plot(fit2)
```

```
lr.test(fit0, fit2)
```

Addition of AOindex to scale parameter is not statistically significant.



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Addition from previous slide is a function of the following form.

$$\log(\sigma(\text{AO index})) = \varphi_0 + \varphi_1 \times \text{AO index}$$

Because: `use.phi = TRUE`



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Plot minimum winter temperature (°C) in Sept-Iles,
Québec

```
par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
```

```
plot(TMN0~ Year, data = SEPTsp,  
     type = "h", col = "darkblue")
```

```
plot(TMN0~ AOindex, data = SEPTsp,  
     pch = 21, col = "darkblue",  
     bg = "lightblue")
```

```
plot(TMN0~ MDTR, data = SEPTsp,  
     pch = 21, col = "darkblue",  
     bg = "lightblue")
```



Generalized Extreme Value Distribution^{NCAR}

Fit GEV to (negative) minimum winter temperature (°C) in Sept-Iles, Québec

```
fit0 <- fevd(-TMN0 ~ 1, data = SEPTsp,  
            units = "neg. deg. C")
```

```
fit0
```

```
plot(fit0)
```

The rest of the analysis of (negative) minimum temperature is left as an exercise.



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Part III: Extreme Value Analysis

Frequency of extremes

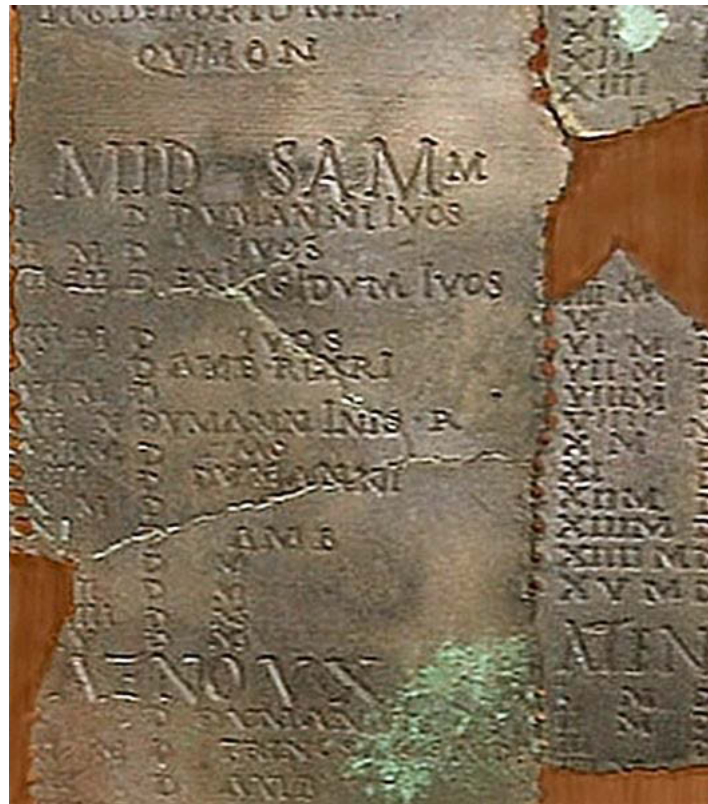


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ar](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Coligny_calendar)



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Frequency of Extremes

Number of days that maximum daily temperature (°F) in Fort Collins, Colorado exceeds 95 °F.

```
data(FCwx)
```

```
?FCwx
```

```
tempGT95 <- aggregate(FCwx$MxT,  
  by = list(FCwx$Year),  
  function(x) sum(x > 95,  
    na.rm = TRUE))
```

```
class(tempGT95)
```

Frequency of Extremes

Number of days that maximum daily temperature (°F) in Fort Collins, Colorado exceeds 95 °F.

```
names ( tempGT95 )
```

```
names ( tempGT95 ) <- c ( "Year" , "MxT" )
```

```
tempGT95
```



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Frequency of Extremes

Fit Poisson distribution to number of days that maximum daily temperature (°F) in Fort Collins, Colorado exceeds 95 °F.

```
plot(MxT ~ Year, data = tempGT95,  
     type = "h", col = "darkblue",  
     ylab =  
     "Number of days MxT > 95 deg. F")
```

```
fpois(tempGT95$MxT)
```

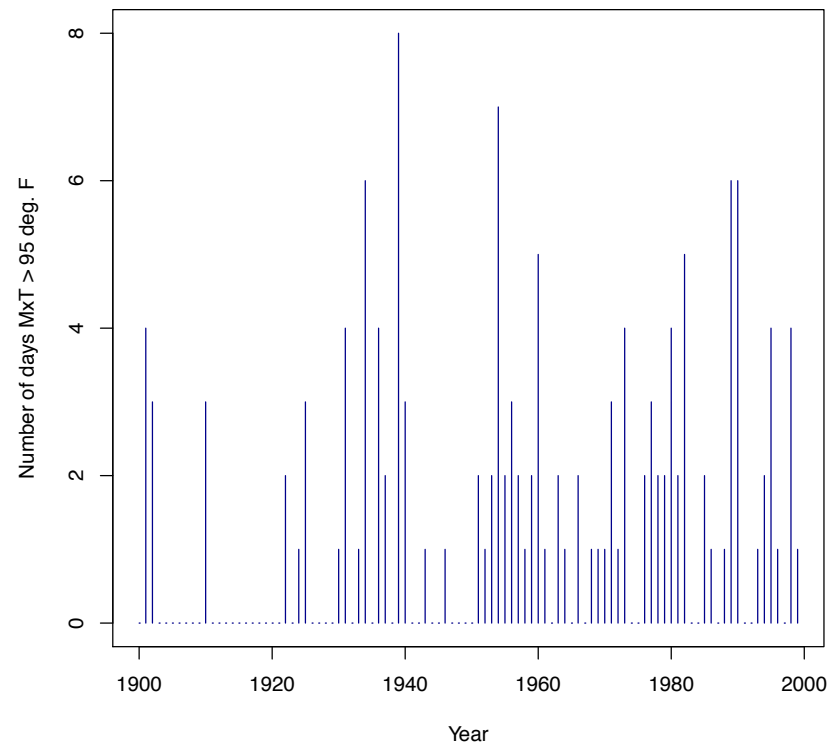
Test for equality of mean and variance says that the two are statistically significantly different.



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Frequency of Extremes

Plot of number of days that maximum daily temperature (°F) in Fort Collins, Colorado exceeds 95 °F.





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Frequency of Extremes

Fit Poisson to number of days that maximum daily temperature (°F) in Fort Collins, Colorado exceeds 95 degrees F.

```
fit <- glm(tempGT95~yr, family = poisson())
```

```
summary(fit)
```



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Part IV: Extreme Value Analysis

Threshold Excesses



V.F.D. Pareto

Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

```
par(mfrow = c(2, 2), oma = c(0, 0, 2, 0))
```

```
plot(Prec ~ Year, data = Denversp,  
     type = "h", col = "darkblue",  
     lwd = 2, cex.lab = 1.5,  
     cex.axis = 1.5, ylab = "")
```

```
plot(Prec ~ Day, data = Denversp,  
     type = "h", col = "darkblue",  
     lwd = 2, cex.lab = 1.5,  
     cex.axis = 1.5, ylab = "")
```

Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

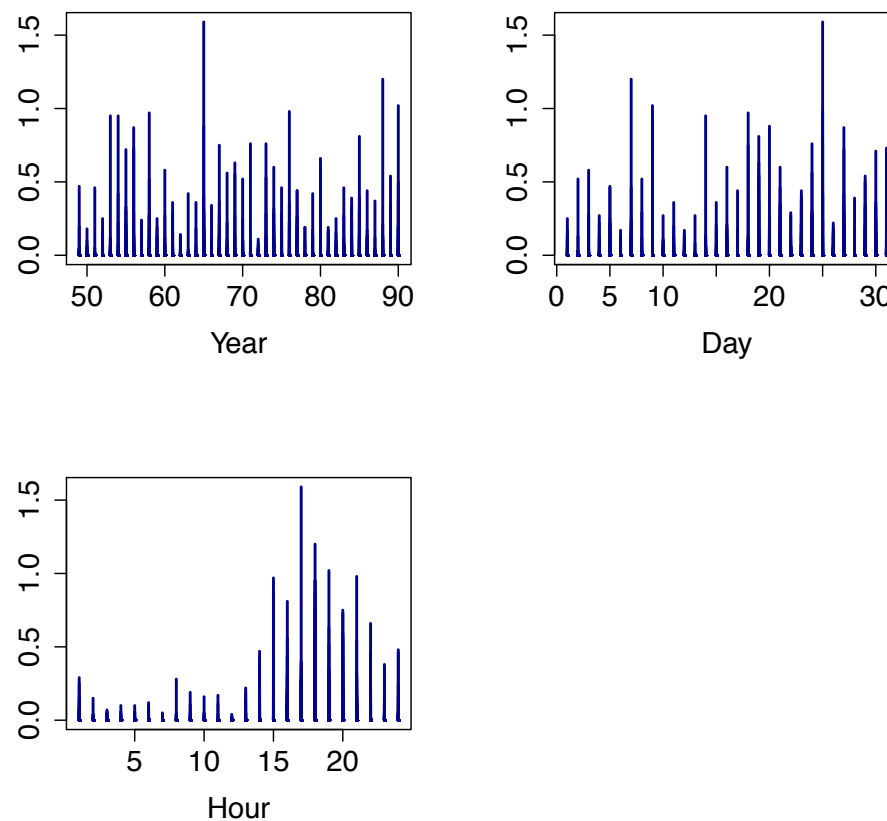
```
plot(Prec ~ Hour, data = Denversp,  
     type = "h", col = "darkblue", lwd = 2,  
     cex.lab = 1.5, cex.axis = 1.5,  
     ylab = "")
```

```
mtext("Precipitation (mm)\nDenver, Colorado",  
     side = 3, outer = TRUE)
```

Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

Precipitation (mm)
Denver, Colorado



Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

```
threshrange.plot(Denversp$Prec,  
  r = c(0.1, 0.95))
```

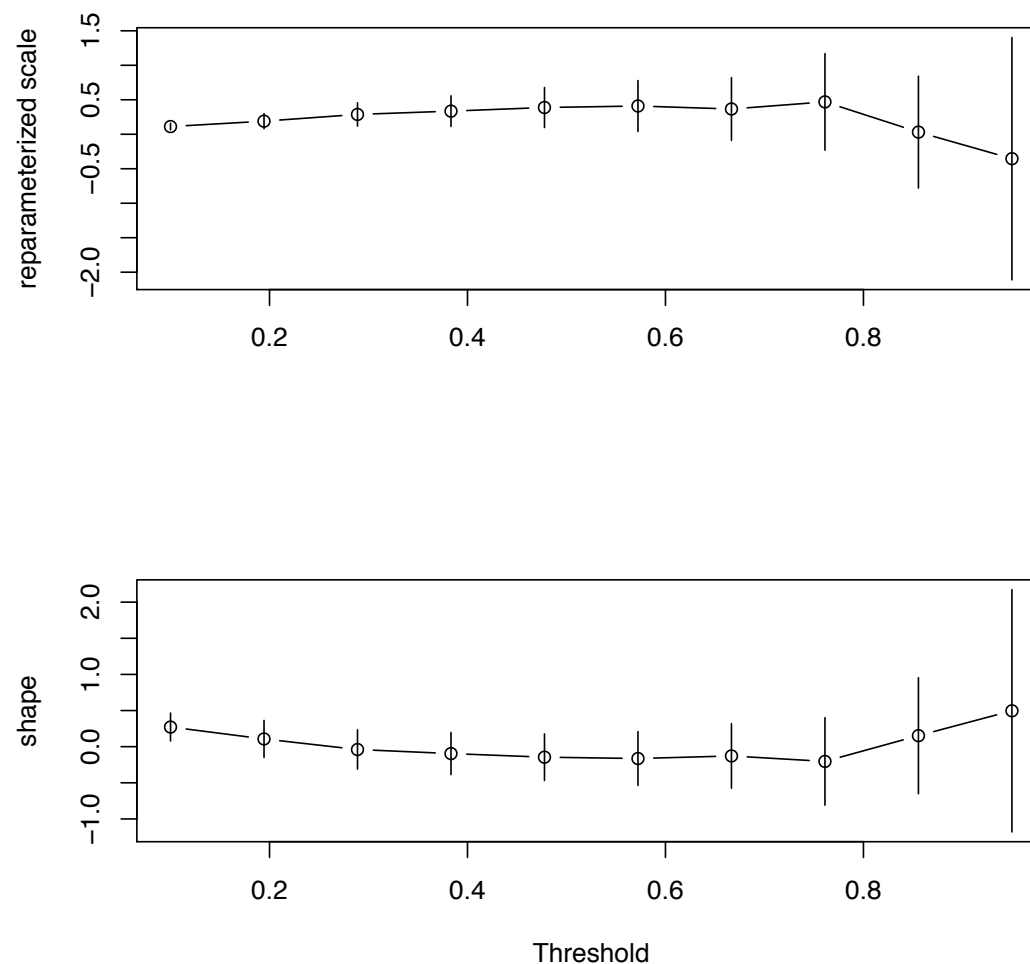
```
extremalindex(Denversp$Prec, threshold=0.5)
```

A threshold of about 0.5 mm seems appropriate for these data. Threshold excesses appear to be independent with this threshold.

Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

`threshrange.plot(x = Denversp$Prec, r = c(0.1, 0.95))`



Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

```
fitGP <- fevd(Prec, Denversp, threshold=0.5,  
             type="GP", units="mm",  
             time.units="744/year")
```

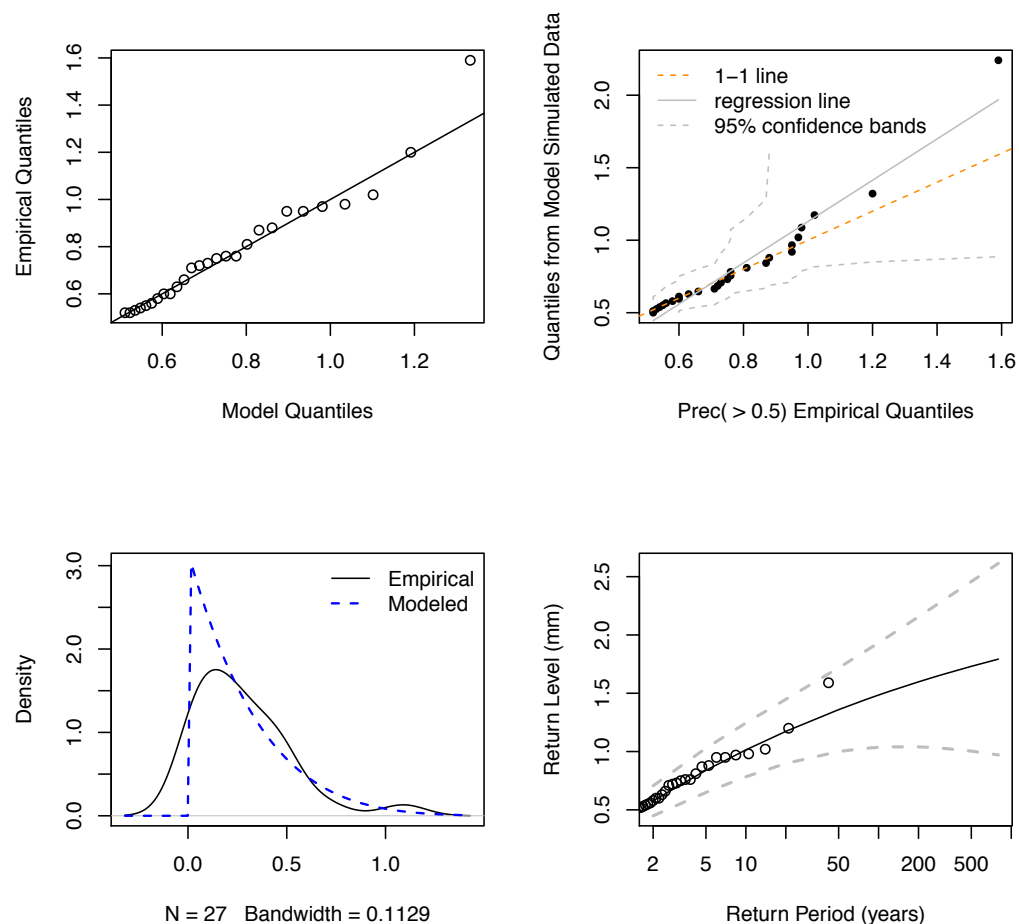
```
fitGP
```

```
plot(fitGP)
```


Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

```
fevd(units="mm", data=denver$precip, threshold=0.5, type="FGE")
```



Generalized Pareto

Example: Denver, Colorado July hourly Precipitation (mm)

```
ci(fitGP, type = "parameter")
```

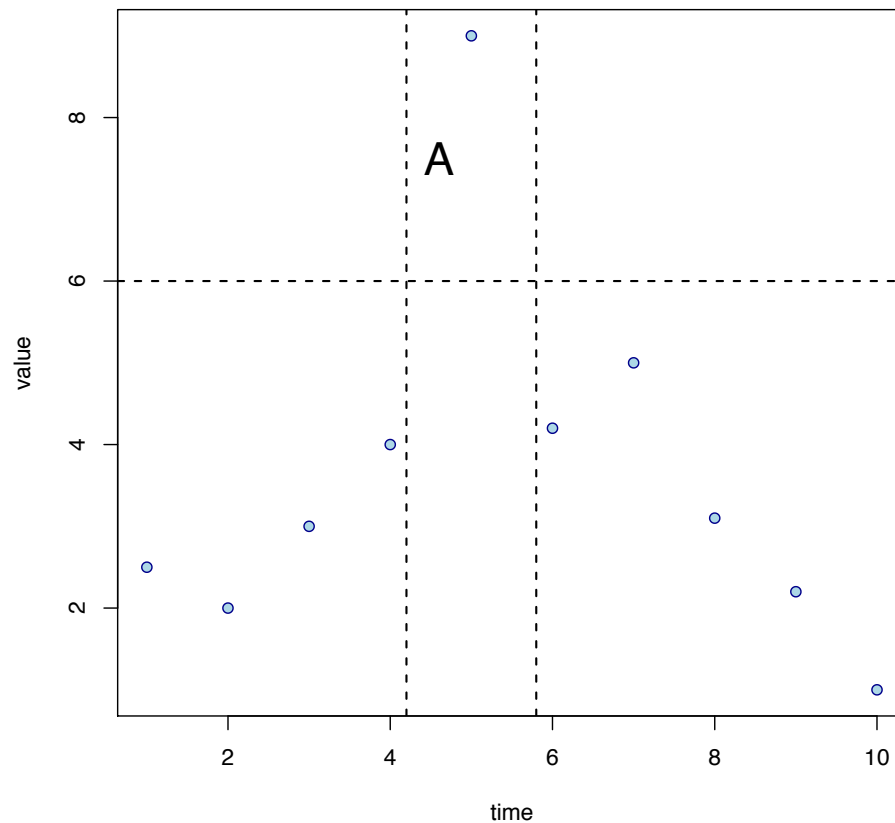
```
ci(fitGP)
```

	95% lower CI	Estimate	95% upper CI
$\sigma(u = 0.5 \text{ mm})$	0.16	0.32	0.47
ξ	-0.48	-0.15	0.19
100-year return level (mm)	1.04	1.49	1.93

Part V: Extreme Value Analysis



Point Process



Siméon Denis
Poisson

Point Process

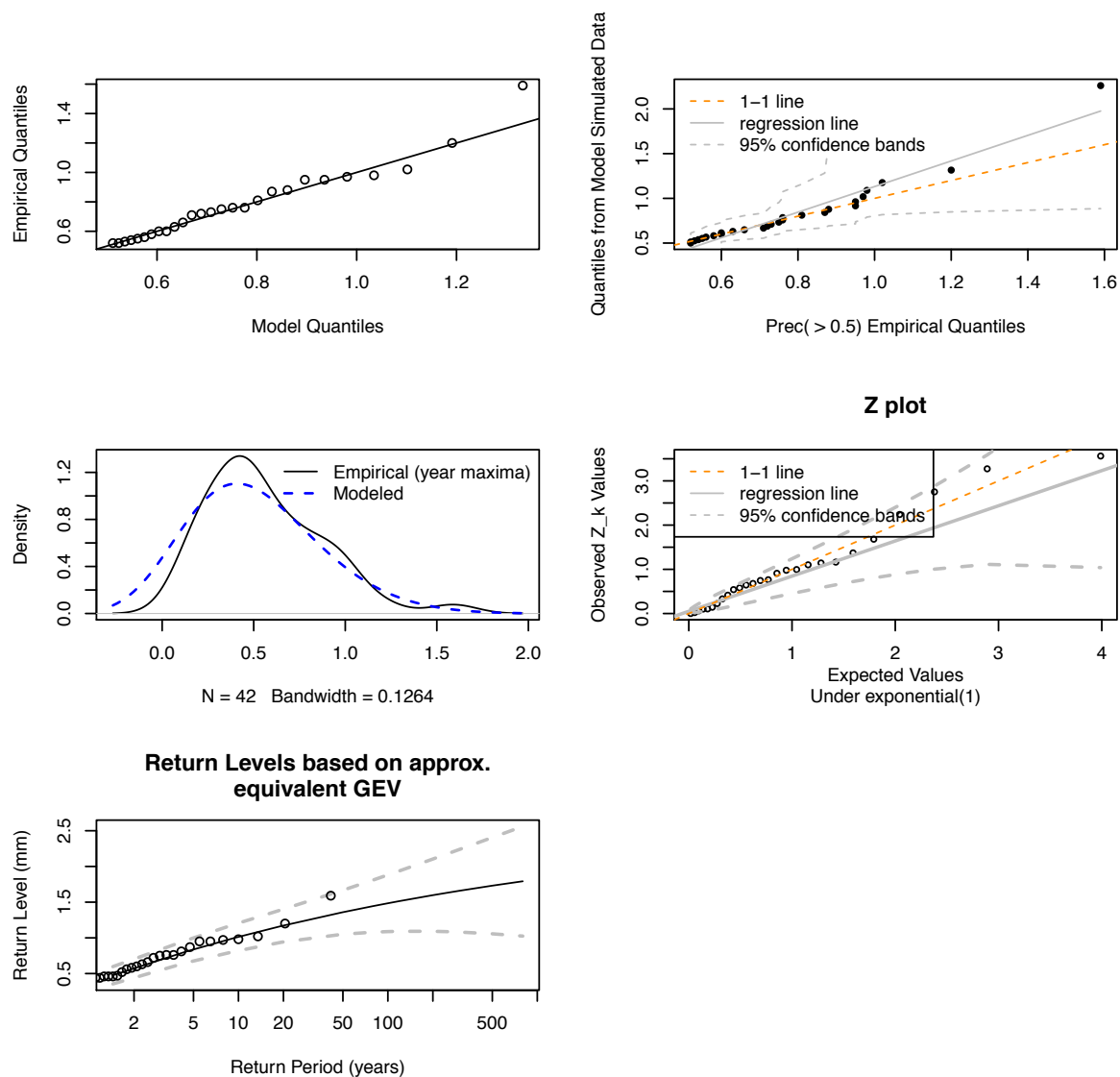


```
fitPP <- fevd(Prec, Denversp, threshold=0.5,  
             type="PP", units="mm",  
             time.units="744/year")
```

```
fitPP
```

```
plot(fitPP)
```

Point Process



Point Process

```
ci(fitPP, type = "parameter")
```

```
ci(fitPP)
```

	95% lower CI	Estimate	95% upper CI
μ (mm)	0.21	0.36	0.51
σ (mm)	0.13	0.34	0.55
ξ	-0.48	-0.15	0.19
100-year return level (mm)	1.09	1.48	1.88

Point Process

Also vary the threshold by hour?

And incorporate a diurnal cycle in the location parameter?

```
u <- numeric(dim(Denversp)[1])  
u[ Denverp$Hour < 14 ] <- 0.001  
u[ Denverp$Hour >= 14 ] <- 0.5
```

```
fitPP3 <- fevd(Prec, Denverp,  
              threshold = u, location.fun = ~Hour,  
              type="PP", units="mm",  
              time.units = "744/year")
```

```
fitPP3  
plot(fitPP3)
```

← Ok, maybe not!

Declustering

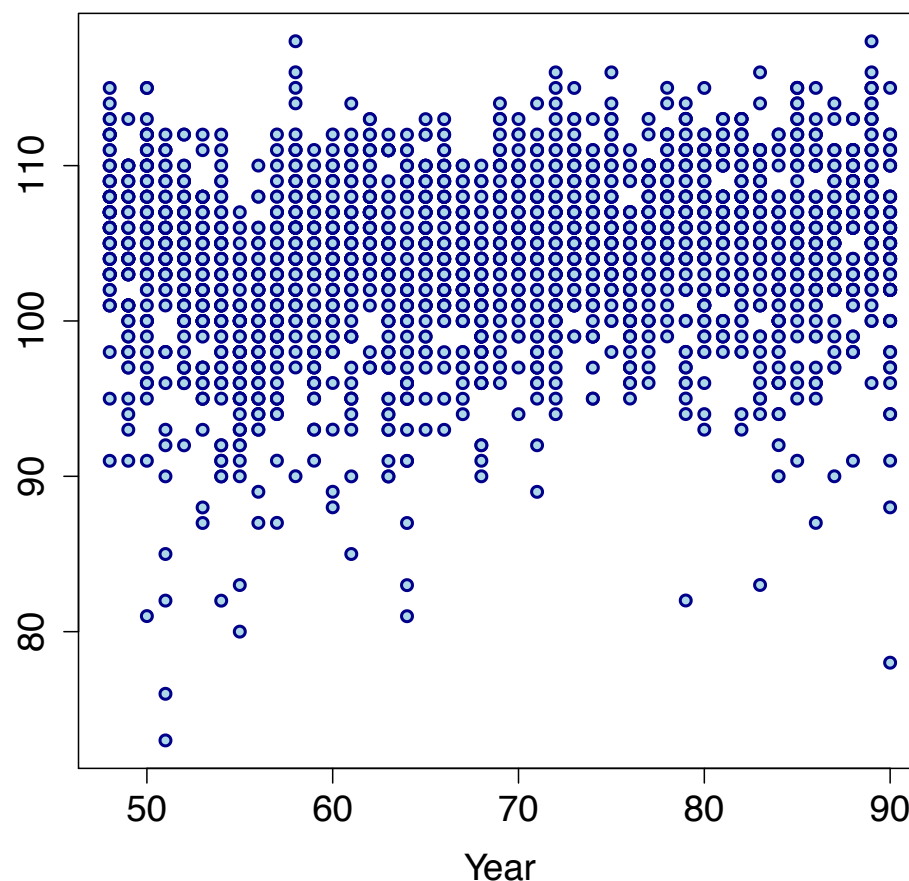
Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures (°F)

```
data(Tphap)
```

```
plot(MaxT ~ Year, data = Tphap, pch = 21,  
     col = "darkblue", bg = "lightblue",  
     lwd = 2, cex.lab = 1.5, cex.axis = 1.5,  
     ylab = "")
```


Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures ($^{\circ}\text{F}$)



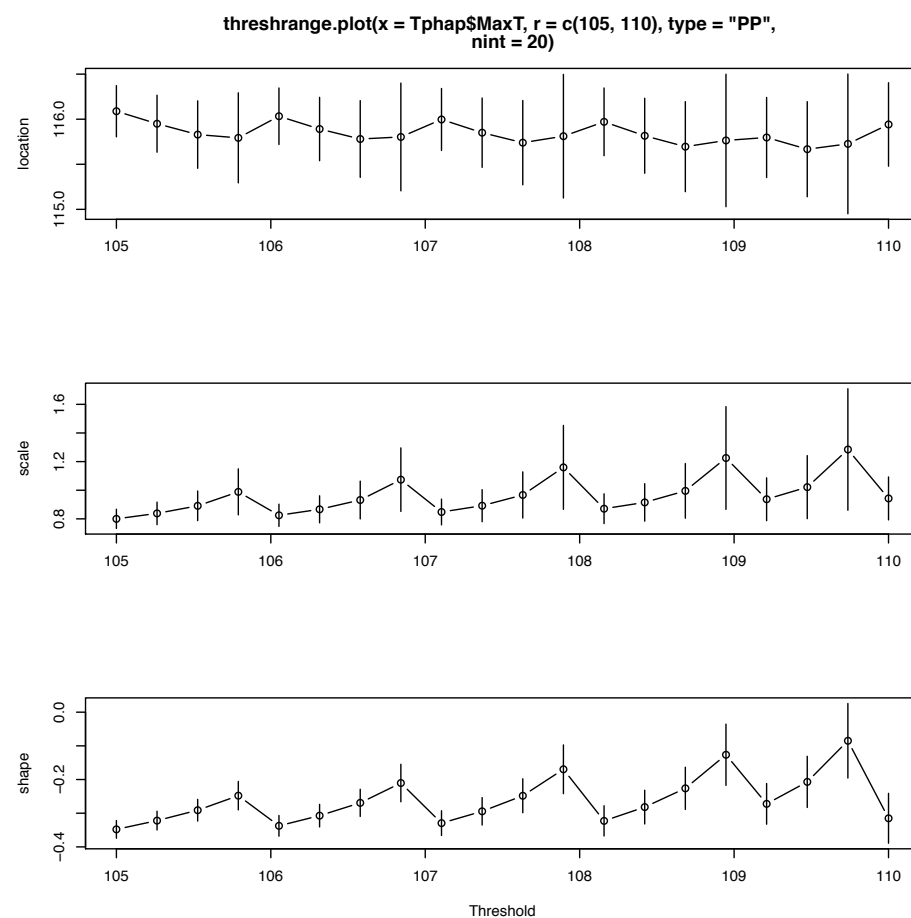
Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures (°F)

```
threshrange.plot(Tphap$MaxT,  
  r = c(105, 110), type = "PP")
```

Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures (°F)



Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures (°F)

```
extremalindex(Tphap$MaxT, threshold = 105)
```

θ	Number of Clusters	Run Length
0.21	234	2

Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures (°F)

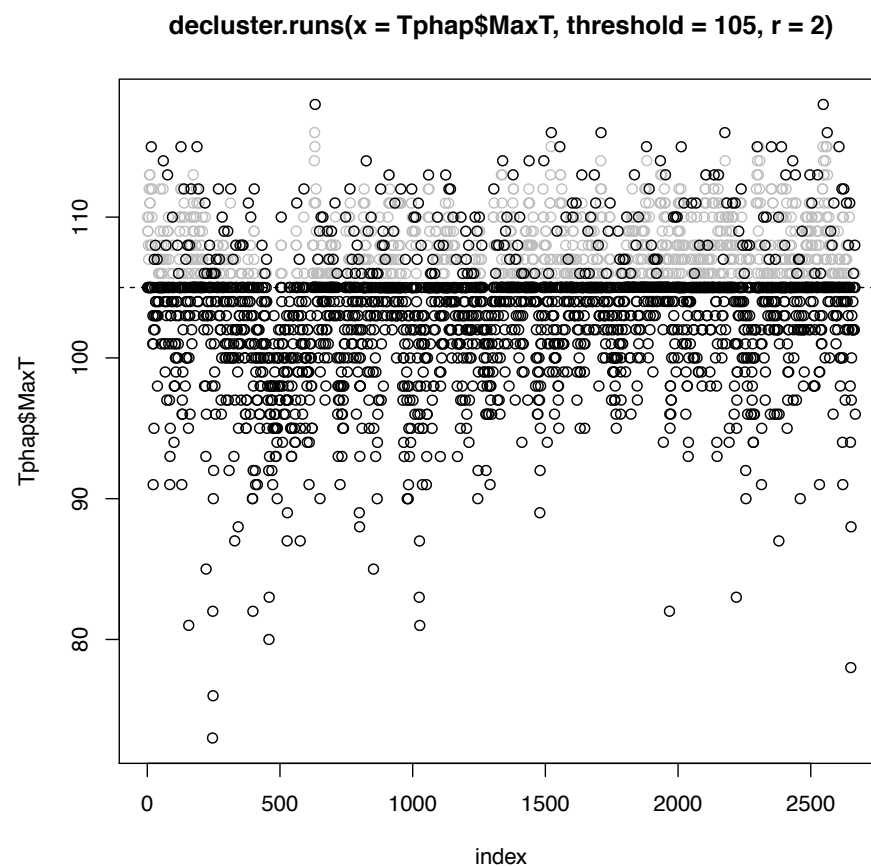
```
y <- decluster(Tphap$MaxT, threshold = 105,  
              r = 2)
```

```
y
```

```
plot(y)
```

Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures (°F)



Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures (°F)

```
Tphap2 <- Tphap
Tphap2$MaxT.dc <- c(y)

fit <- fevd(MaxT.dc, threshold = 105,
  data = Tphap2, type = "PP",
  time.units = "62/year", units =
    "deg F")

fit

plot(fit)
```

Declustering

Example: Sky Harbor airport, Phoenix, Arizona July to August maximum temperatures ($^{\circ}\text{F}$)

