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## Online Training Course On

# Visualization of data, Generation of gridded products, Introduction to open source S/Ws

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# INCOIS as Data Centre

- The central repository for marine data in the country, receives voluminous oceanographic data
- Data provides information on physical, chemical, biological and geological parameters
- Spatial, temporal data and data products at different resolutions, and levels
- Data pre-processing, post-processing, quality control, dissemination and archives

## Affiliations:

- Designated as the National Oceanographic Data Centre by the International Oceanographic Data Exchange Programme (IODE) of International Oceanographic Commission (IOC)
- Indian Ocean Global Ocean Observing System (IOGOOS)

<http://www.iocperth.org/iogoos>

## Data types

### *Remote sensing*

- MODIS/Terra and Aqua
- OCM-1&2/Oceansat-2
- TMI
- Quicksat & ASCAT

### *In-situ*

- Argo, Bio-Argo
- Moored buoy(OMNI)
- Drifting buoy
- Tide gauge
- Bottom pressure recorder
- Current meter
- HF Radar
- Wave Rider Buoy
- CTD
- XBT

***Model data:*** SST, MLD, SSH, etc. (Upon request)

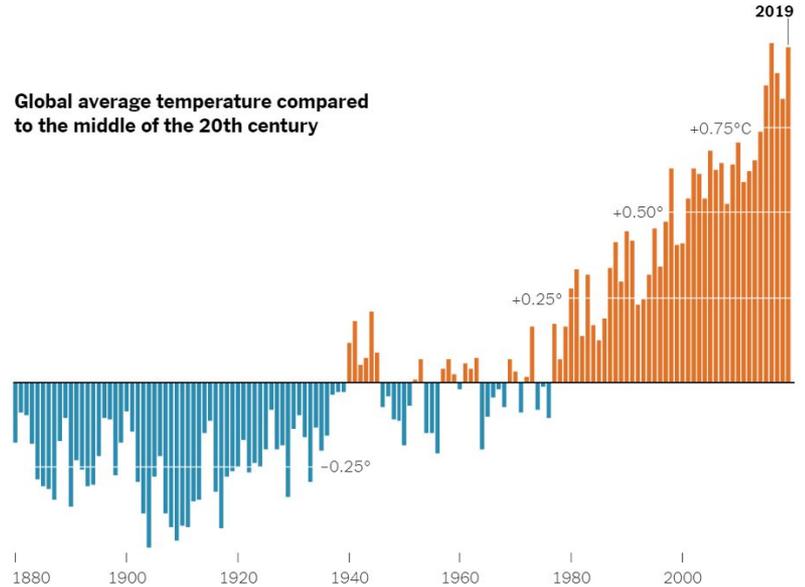
## Parameters

- air/sea/ice surface temperature, cloud cover
- chlorophyll, wind fields over ocean surface
- sea level, rainfall, SST
- wind, sea level pressure, ice

- temperature/salinity/oxygen/pH
- air pressure/temp, humidity, current, SST
- wind speed/direction, surface current
- tide heights, air/water temperature
- water column height
- near-surface current
- surface currents, ocean waves
- wave/tide height, ocean currents
- conductivity, temperature, depth
- water column temperature

# Data Visualization

- Data visualization is the representation of data in a pictorial or graphical format (plot, map, chart, etc.)
- Data visualization means implementing an easy way to observe and interpret trends, outliers, patterns in data
- It enables decision makers to see analytics presented visually, so they can grasp difficult concepts or identify new patterns
- Interactive data visualization can take the concept a step further by using technology to drill down into charts and graphs for more detail, interactively changing what data you see and how it's processed



# Importance of Data Visualization

- Owing to the way human brain processes informations:
  - Using charts or graphs to visualize large amounts of complex data is easier than poring over spreadsheets or reports
  - Data visualization is a quick, easy way to convey concepts in a universal manner
  - One can experiment with different scenarios by making slight adjustments
- Data visualizations can also:
  - Identify areas that need attention and improvement
  - Clarify the factors that influence the observed behavior

# Software's

## *Commercial S/W's*

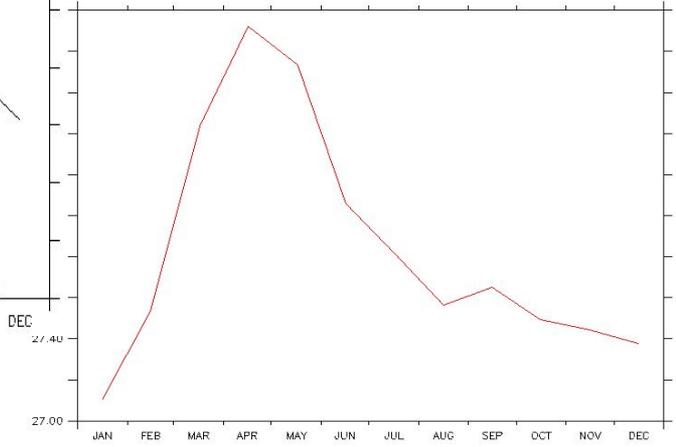
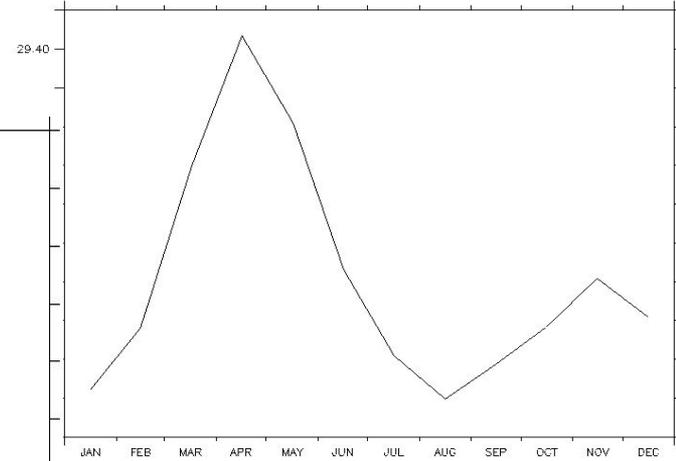
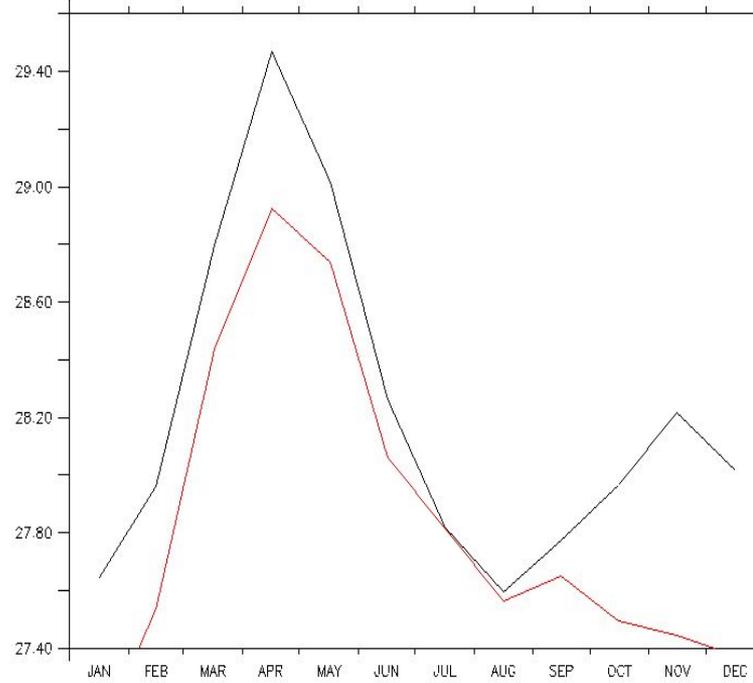
- ArcGIS
- Origin
- Surfer
- Grafer
- Xplenty

## *Open S/W's*

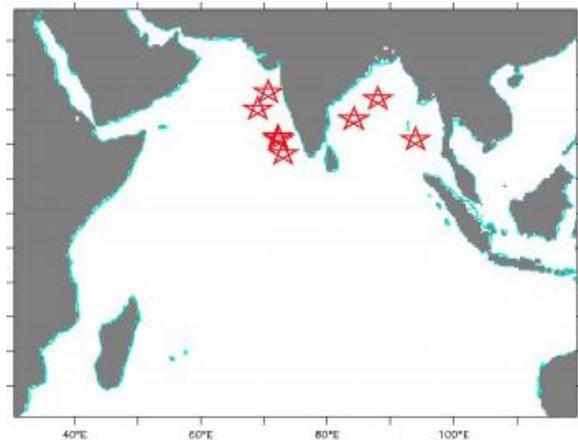
- FERRET
- ODV
- DIVA
- Generic Mapping Tools(GMT)
- Climate Data Operator (CDO)
- NcBrowse, NcView
- Google Sheets, etc.

# Examples

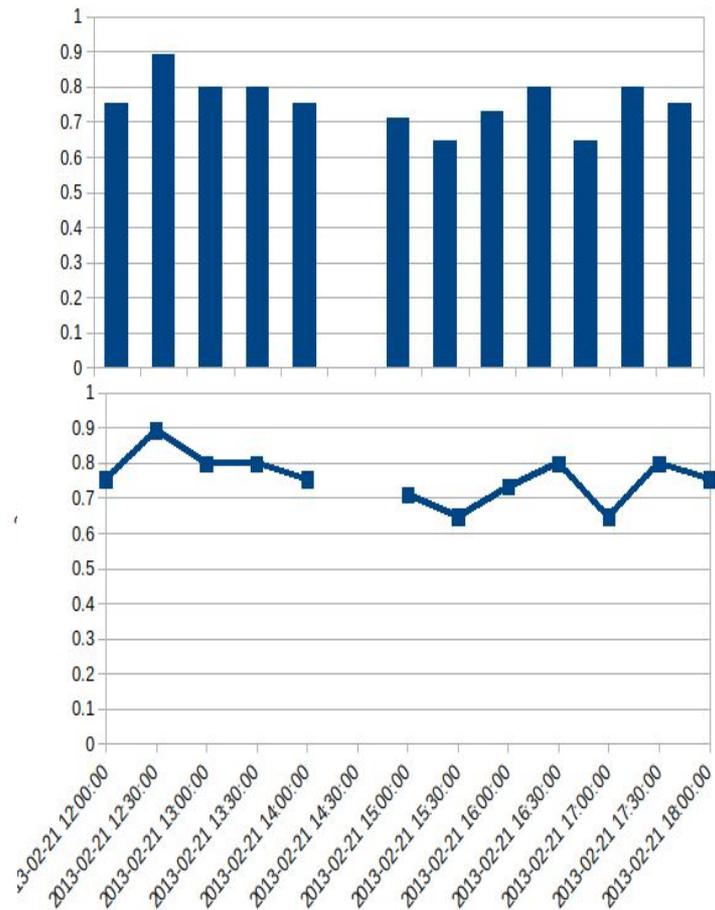
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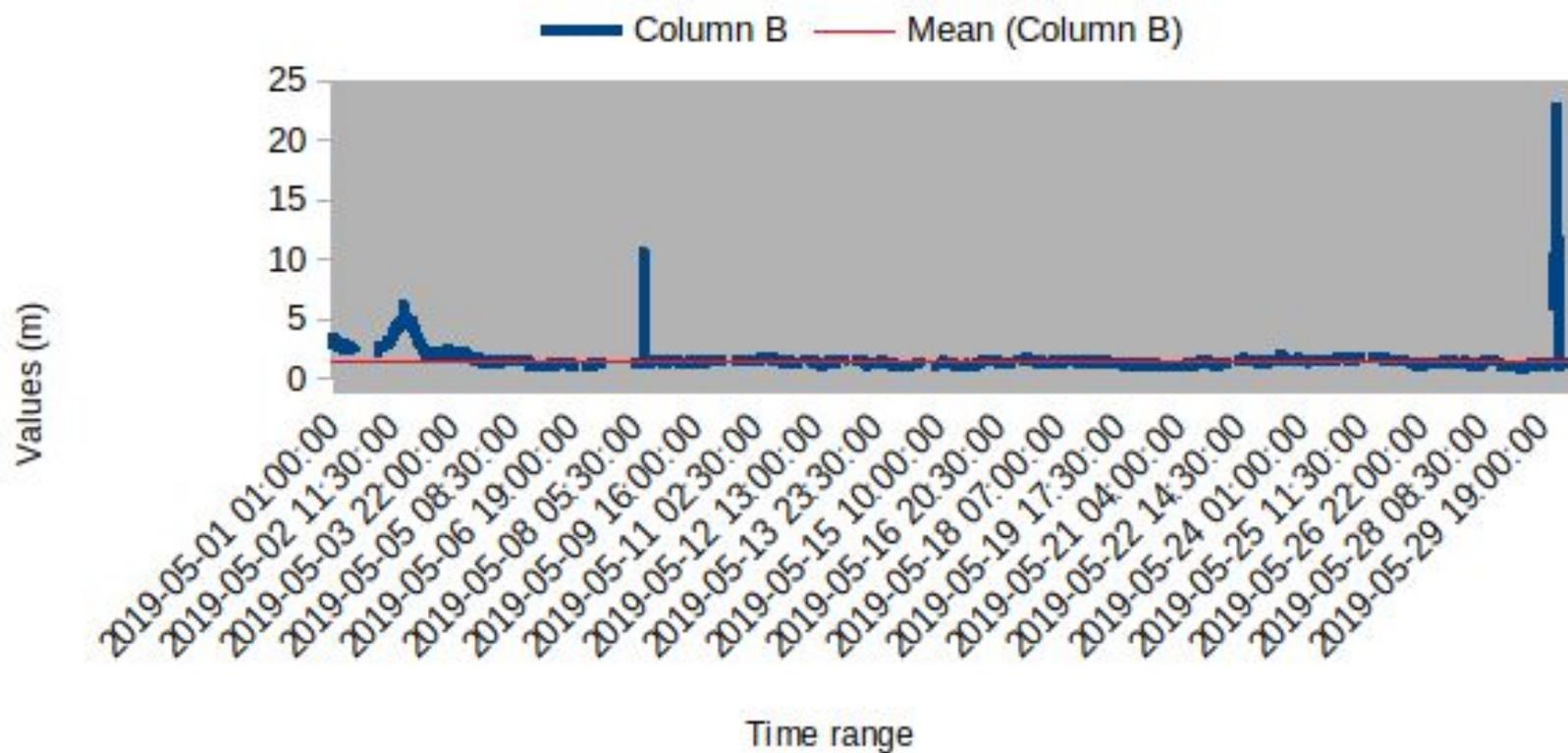
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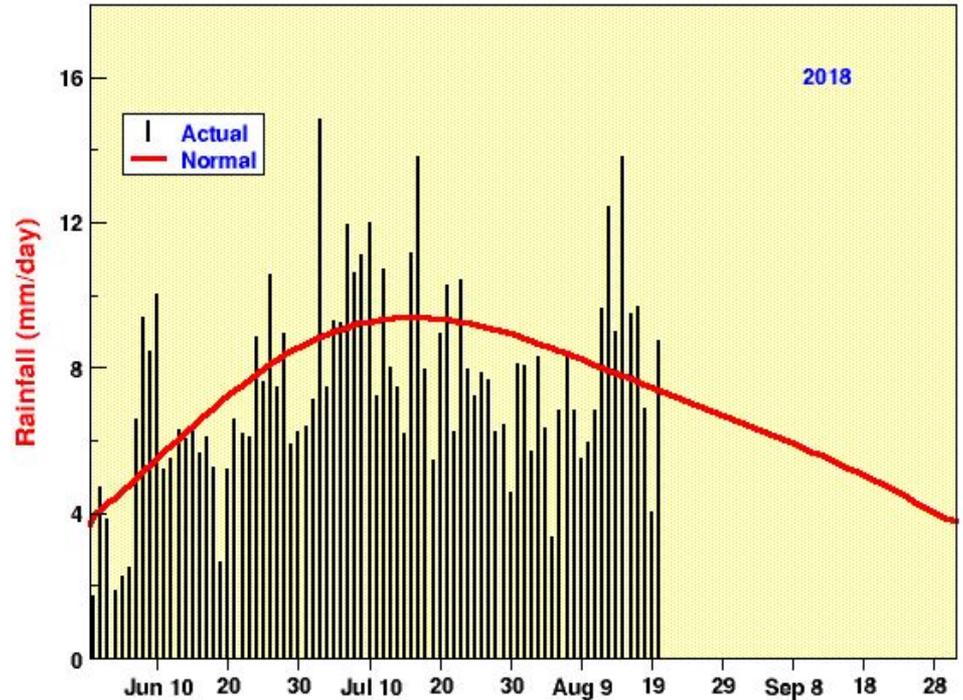


## Time series

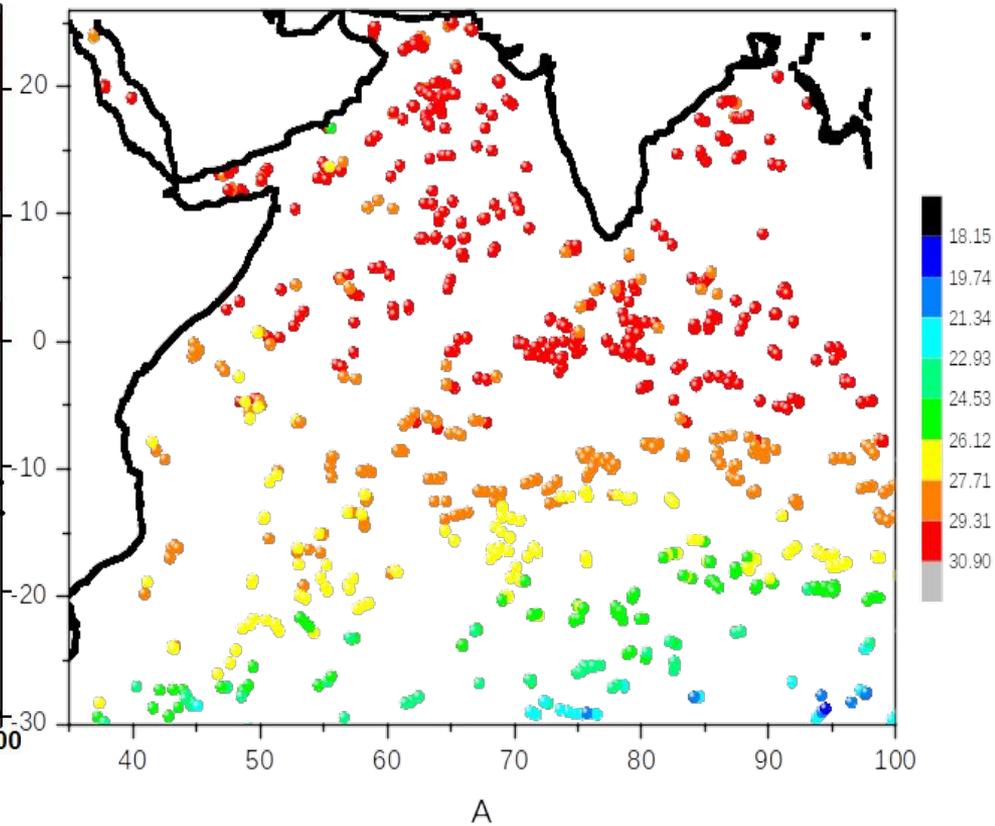
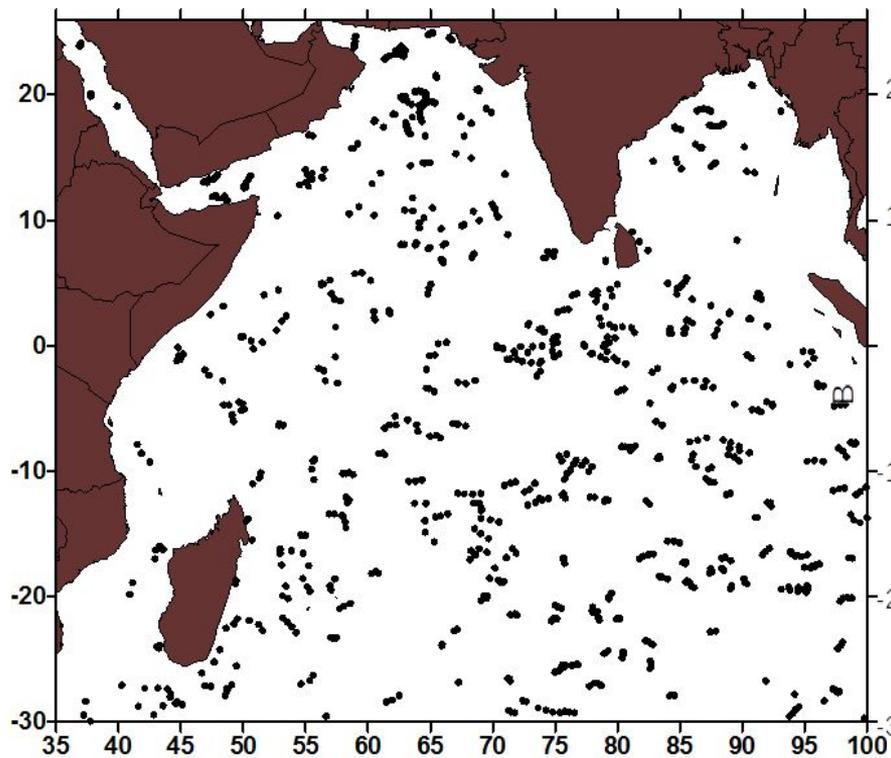


# Ex: Rainfall

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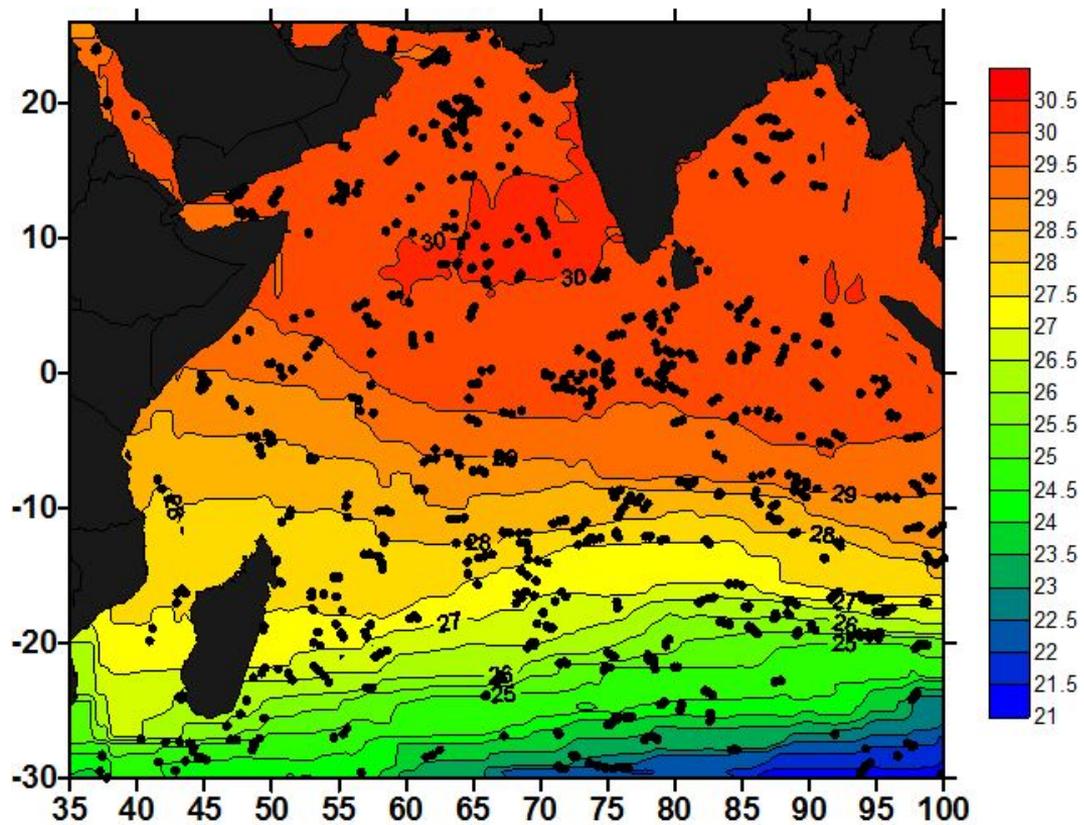
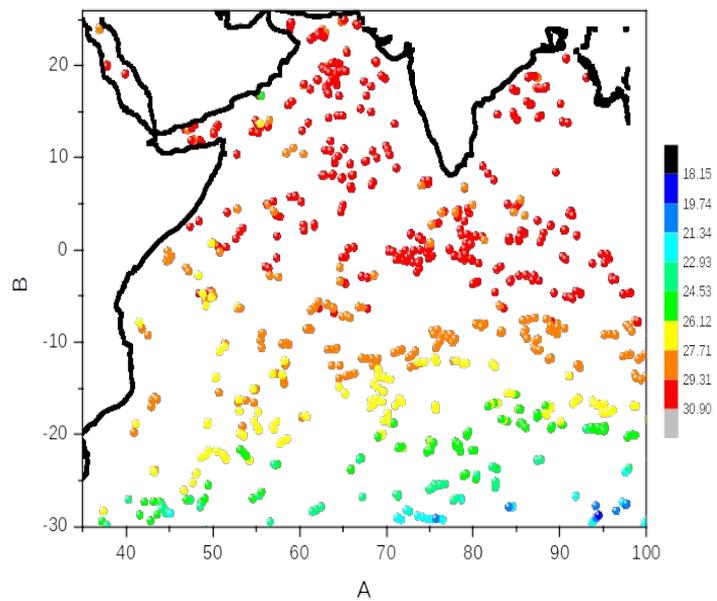


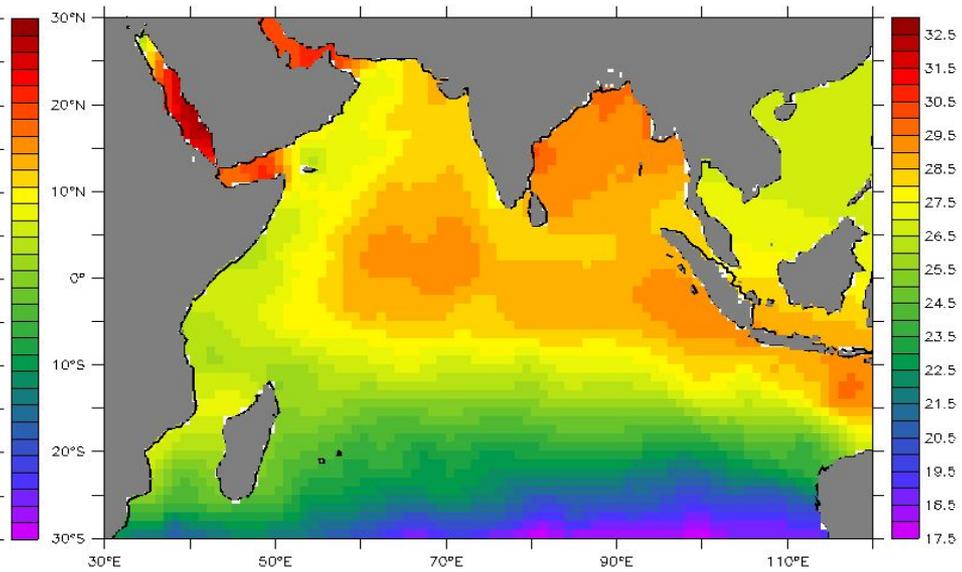
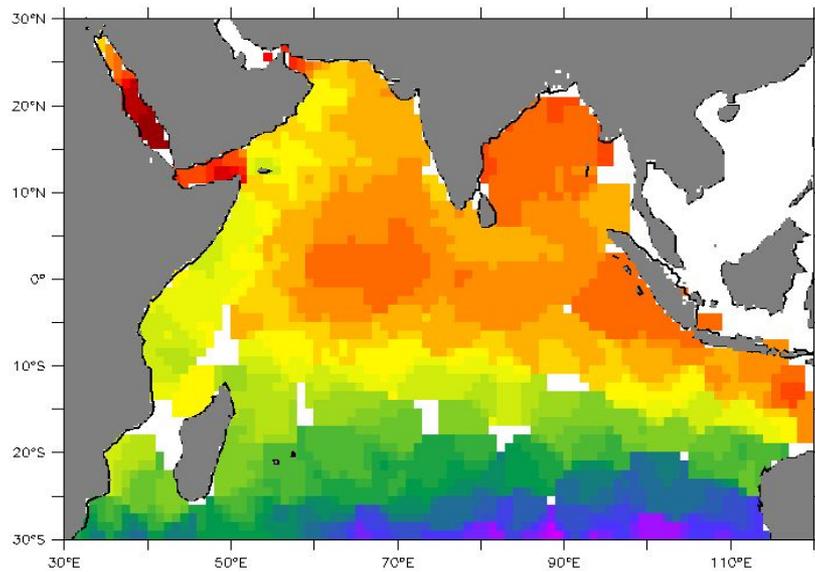
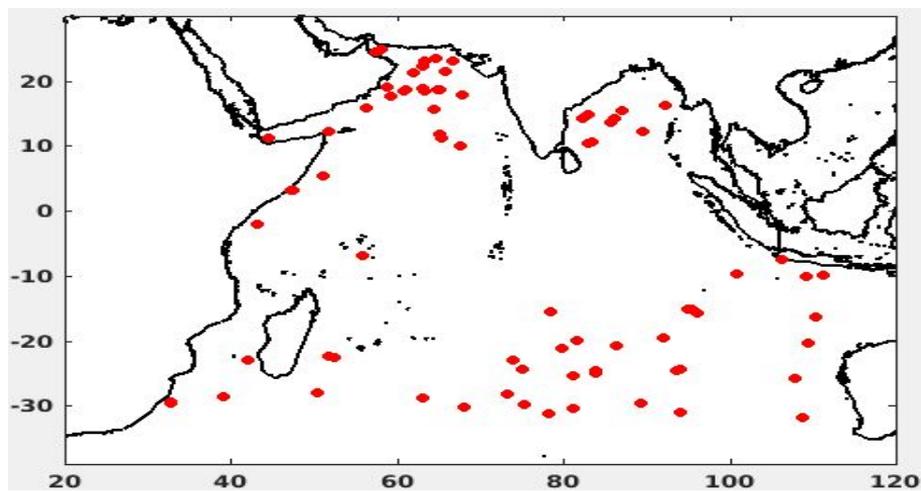
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# Gridding Problem

- *In Situ* observations in Oceanography are usually sparse, and inhomogeneously distributed over time and space
- Fixing such sparse observations on uniform or non-uniform grid positions is called Gridding problems
- Gridding can be performed through Interpolations, Numerical Methods, Moving Average, Variational Analysis, etc.
- Outcome is useful for many applications such as data analysis, graphical display, initialization of models, etc.
- Many useful products can be generated through *in-situ data*, *satellite data*, and blend of *in-situ & satellite*
- No such BEST Method known, depends on data and requirements to get most satisfying interpretation



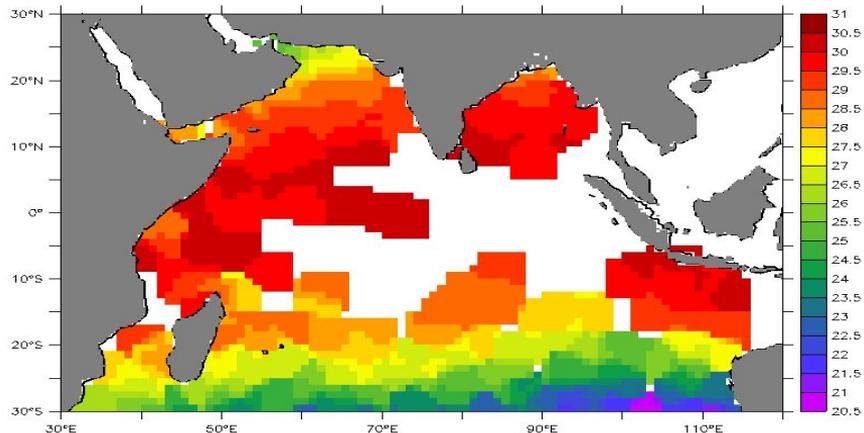


# Popular Gridding Methods In Oceanography

- Kriging Method
- Nearest Neighbor
- Objective Analysis
- Optimal Interpolation
- Variational Analysis
- The differences between gridding methods varies with the mathematical algorithms
- Some of the popular mesh grids used in gridding
  - Finite Difference Method
  - Finite Element Method
  - Finite Volume Method
  - Spline Techniques
  - Metrics Method
  - Linear and Curvilinear functions

# Objective Analysis

- Transform datasets from irregularly spaced to regularly arranged grid
- Also known as statistical interpolation or Gauss-Markov interpolation
- A simple OA scheme, the background values would not be used and the analysis would be based solely on new observations
- Weight, for instance, is proportional to the distance of the data from the grid point



$$\text{The analysis value at the grid point} = \sum_{\text{sum}} \left( \text{weights} \times \text{new observations} \right)$$

$$\text{The analysis value at the grid point} = \text{The background (or first guess) value at the grid point} + \text{A correction}$$

where

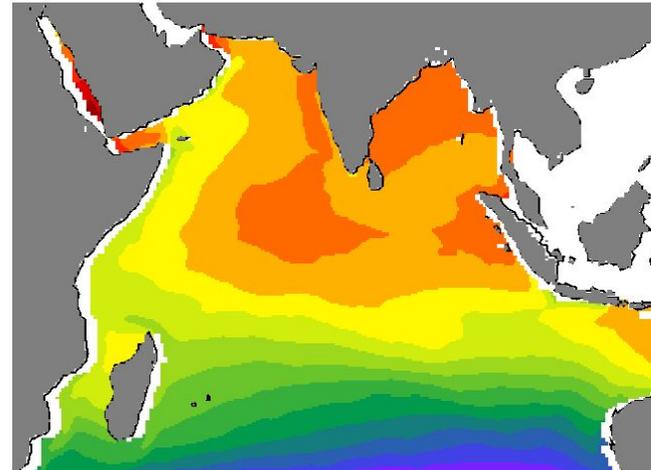
$$\text{correction} = \sum_{\text{sum}} \left( \text{weights} \times \text{new information (based on observations)} \right)$$

in other words

$$\text{correction} = \text{a weighted average of a set of observations taken from sites surrounding the grid point}$$

# Optimal Interpolation

- OI requires a background field (initial observations), and observations to generate grid values
- OI uses 'n' closest data points for calculating values for grid points
- Based on the distance between the points, their distances from the grid point, each sampled data point is assigned a weight
- The background field at each data point is then subtracted from each data value. These new values are multiplied by their alpha weights and then added together (weighted average)
- Weights plus background fields provide final grids, associated with error field



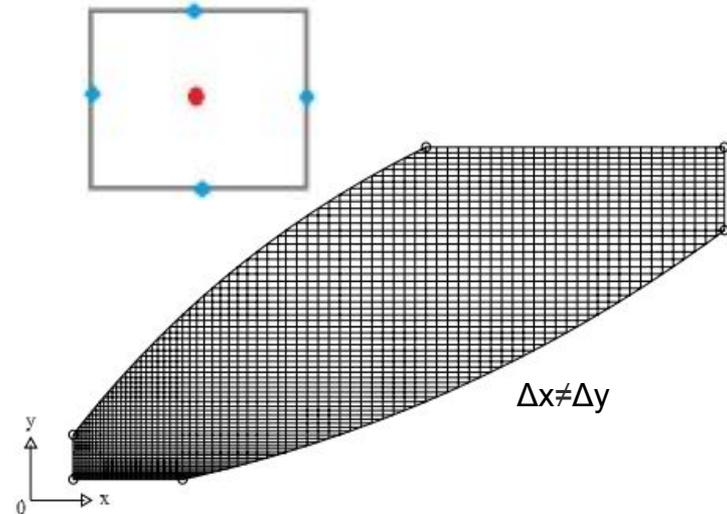
$$X_a = X_b + W[y_0 - H(X_b)] = X_b + Wd, \quad \varepsilon_a = X_a - X_t$$

# Finite Difference grid

- FD partitions the domain of computation into smaller grids to approximate the differential operator
- Derivatives are approximated by differences equations, between neighboring points on grids
- 1st & 2nd order FD schemes
- Square or rectangular grid formulations
- Boundary values at outer grid known, and subsequently interior grid values obtained using the FD scheme
- $\Delta x = \Delta y$  or  $\Delta x \neq \Delta y$
- Oceanography, problem domains are often complex, FD scheme near boundary requires further work done

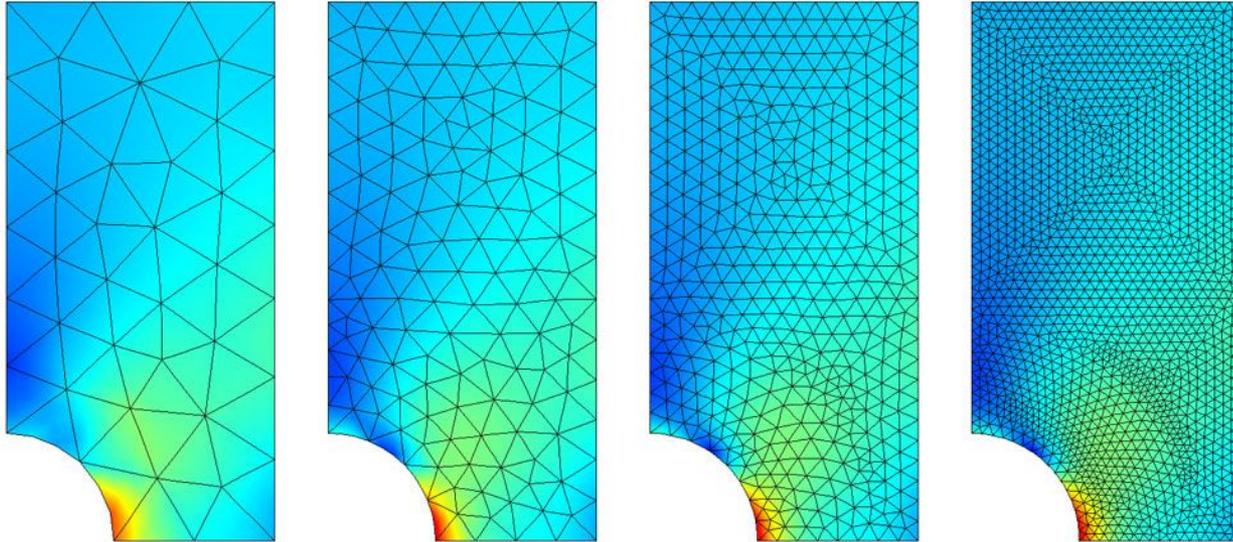
$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) \approx \frac{u_{i+1} - u_{i-1}}{2\Delta x}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}\right)_i = \frac{u_{i+1} - 2u_i + u_{i-1}}{(\Delta x)^2} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^2$$



# Finite Element grid

- FE create triangular mesh splitting the problem domain into a discrete number of elements, datasets are interpolated across the whole domain
- A well-sampled require finer mesh to achieve the better accuracy of the solution
- *Mesh refinement* is the process of resolving the model with successively finer and finer meshes



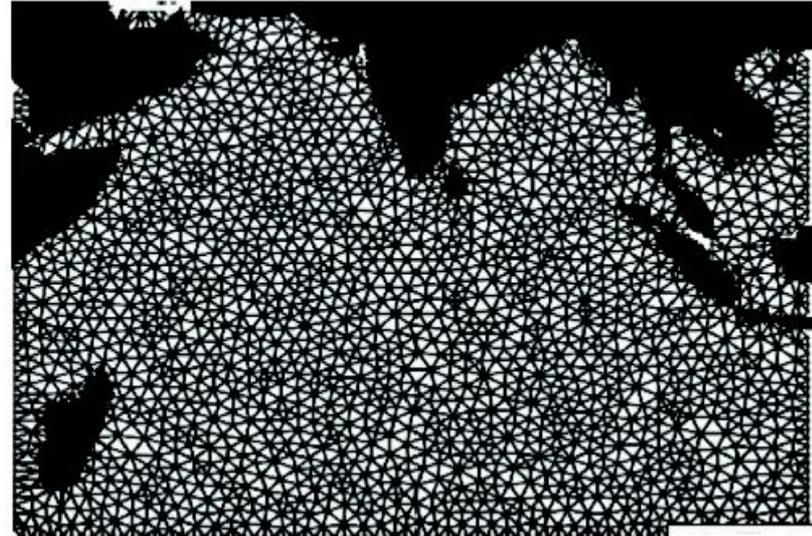
# Variational method

- *Variational Method* is a procedure that minimizes a cost function  $J$  defined as the distance between the analysis and the observations at the data points
- Observations can be added easily to the minimization procedure either as a weak or a strong constraint
- Method incurs low computational cost and is compatible with operational purposes
- *DIVA*: Data-Interpolating Variational Analysis, is a Variational method where a cost function is to be minimized
- Aim is to get the value of  $\varphi$  sufficiently close to the observation such that variation can be minimized

$$J[\varphi] = \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [d_i - \varphi(x_i, y_i)]^2 + \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \nabla \varphi : \nabla \nabla \varphi + \alpha_1 \nabla \varphi \cdot \nabla \varphi + \alpha_0 \varphi^2) d\Omega$$

# Open Software's

- DIVA uses a finite element approach that provides triangular mesh through the region and has features to make a coarser grid near the boundary
- DIVA efficiently handles the noise in the observations while processing the analysis
- DIVA requires large memory to execute the analysis for finer resolutions, and time varies with the choice of parameters
- DIVA parameters: Correlation length and Signal-to-noise ratio
- DIVA generates adaptive Finite element mesh throughout the domain
- Derives gridded products from in situ observations



# DIVA on Web

<http://ec.oceanbrowser.net/emodnet/diva.html>

- Must: ASCII file with three columns [Lon, Lat, observation]
- Upload input file, specify the Grid coordinates
- Analysis: Divafit provide the optimal parameter value of  $L$  &  $\lambda$
- Proceed with the analysis, download output (\*.nc; png; .mat)

## Analysis with Diva

Correlation length [deg]:

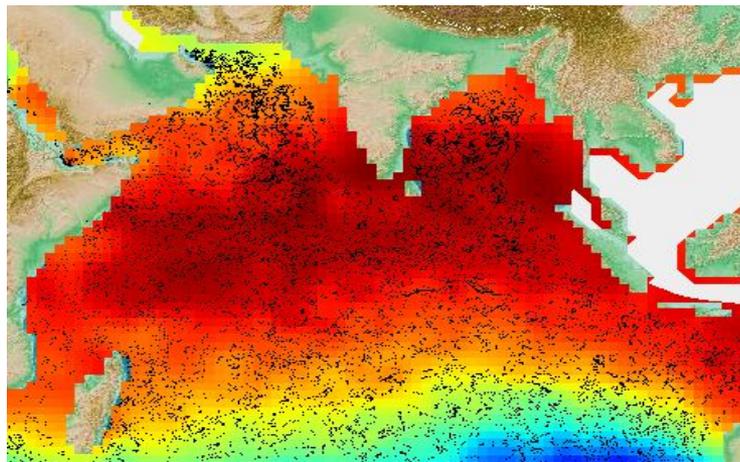
Signal to noise ratio:

Quality of the fit (0: bad 1: good): 0.929269

**Advanced settings**

## Optional parameters

Maximum rel. error (from 0 to 1):



# webODV

- webODV provides a suite of online services based on ODV software
- webODV is designed to interactively perform analysis, exploration and visualization of ocean data
- webODV allows users to aggregate large numbers of SeaDataNet data files and perform quality control
- ODV being a part of SeaDataNet, DIVA method has been integrated into ODV
- ODV/DIVA integration provide proper treatment of domain separation due to land masses and undersea ridges or seamounts, etc.
- webODV is associated with the free VRE (Virtual Research Environment)\*



VIRTUAL RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT

LOGIN WITH MARINE ID

<https://www.seadatanet.org/Software/VRE>

(\*Login required)

# DATA REQUISITION FORM



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1. Institution / Dept. Address:
2. Name & designation of the officer requiring data:
3. Details of data requirement:

Parameters	Platform / Instrument	Period

4. Project for which the above data is required and the project cost.
5. Please indicate whether the data is required for:
  - a. Own research
  - b. Sponsored & consultancy projects\*
6. If it is for consultancy project, whether the project has obtained the approval from Central/State Government, if so, please provide the details:

7. CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKING:

- a. Data supplied are exclusively for the use of the organization only.
- b. The data will be used only for the purpose for which it is supplied.
- c. These data shall not be passed on to any other party or agency (India/abroad) either in part, in full or in any form. If needed, prior approval should be taken from Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services for the same under special circumstances.
- d. Due acknowledgement shall be given to Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services for the source of data in all reports / publications etc. made by you.

Signature of the Officer (Requisite)

Signature of the Head of the Institution

Station:  
Date & office seal:

**Note:**

\* For sponsored and consultancy projects, INCOIS will be charging for the data to be supplied as per INCOIS norms.

<https://incois.gov.in/portal/datainfo/drform.jsp>

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