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## A fracturing state map for Chiavenna Valley: preliminary geostatistical analysis and optimal spatial sampling design

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# STUDY PURPOSE

Suceptibility and hazard maps for rockfalls, and rockslides at the regional scale.



Controlling factors  
Rock mass quality and characteristics



Type of factor C=control factor  
R=Rockfall  
C=critical  
H=High

Group	Parameters	Relevance for landslide susceptibility and hazard assessment	Type of factor		Landslide mechanisms		
			C	T	R	S	L
<b>Corominas, 2014</b>							
Geology	Rock types	Determine the engineering properties of rock types	●		C	H	C
	Weathering	Types of weathering (physical/chemical), depth of weathering, individual weathering zones and age of cuts are important factors	●		C	H	H
	Discontinuities	Discontinuity sets and characteristics, relation with slope directions and inclination	●		C	M	H
	Structural aspects	Geological structure in relation to the slope angle/direction	●		H	H	H
	Faults	Distance from active faults or widths of fault zones	●		H	H	H



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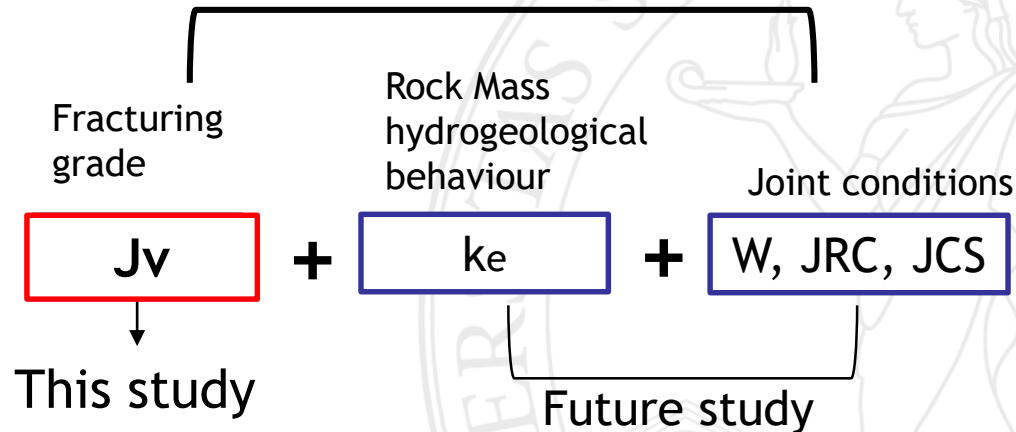
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## *Geostatistical Spazialitazion*



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**Jv-Joint Volumetric Count** (number of fractures/m<sup>3</sup>)

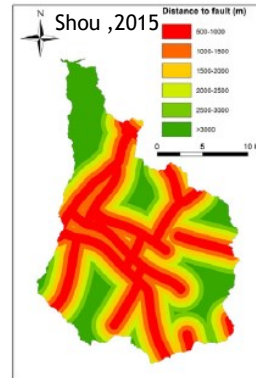
$$J_v = \frac{100}{S_{K1}} + \frac{100}{S_{K2}} + \dots + \frac{100}{S_{Kn}} \quad (S=\text{spacing})$$

Rock mass fracture distribution, discontinuity arrangement reduce both **strength** and **deformability** of the rock mass

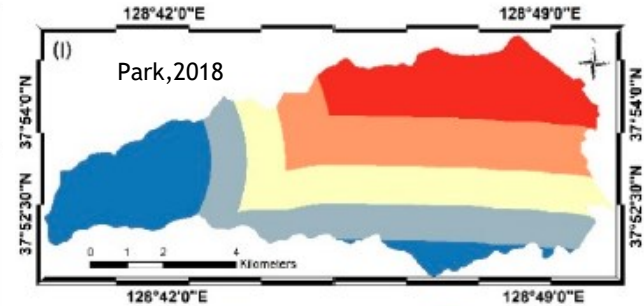
Traditional attempt to include structural influence and stress field  
Distance to fault

- Mismatched fault-instability scale
- No distinction between active and inactive
- faults behaviour
- Subjectivity of distance classes!

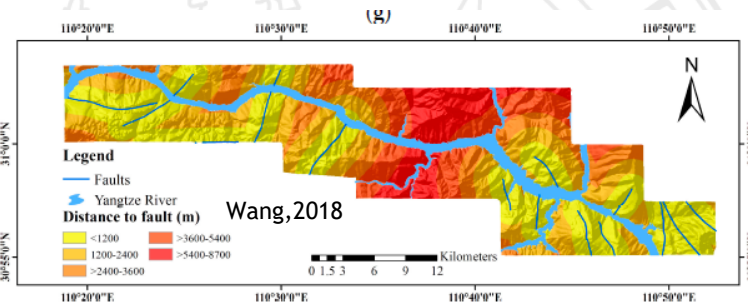
Critical issues



(g) distance to fault



Distance from fault



(h)



# RICH DATA ENVIRONMENT: VALCHIAVENNA

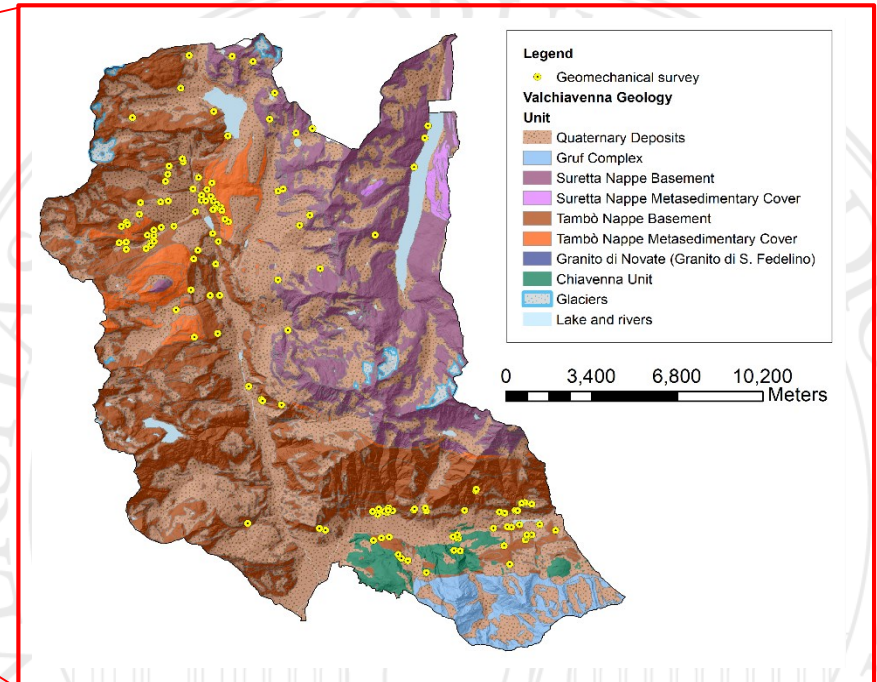
Stazione Valchiavenna per lo studio dell'ambiente alpino

“A problem with structural data is that they are time consuming to collect, and difficult to interpolate spatially over large areas.” (Reichenbach, 2018)



Rich data environment:  
Valchiavenna case study

-Geomorphological-structural field survey  
-Geomechanical field survey



# GEOMECHANICAL DATA ANALYSIS

133 Geomechanical survey collected from 2000 to 2018



- Information internal heterogeneity and incompleteness (SUB-DATABASES)
- Data clustering

Depending on survey purpose, problem scale and logistic conditions

## Most collected

-  $J_v$ , spacing, frequency (133)  
- JRC (130)

## Less collected

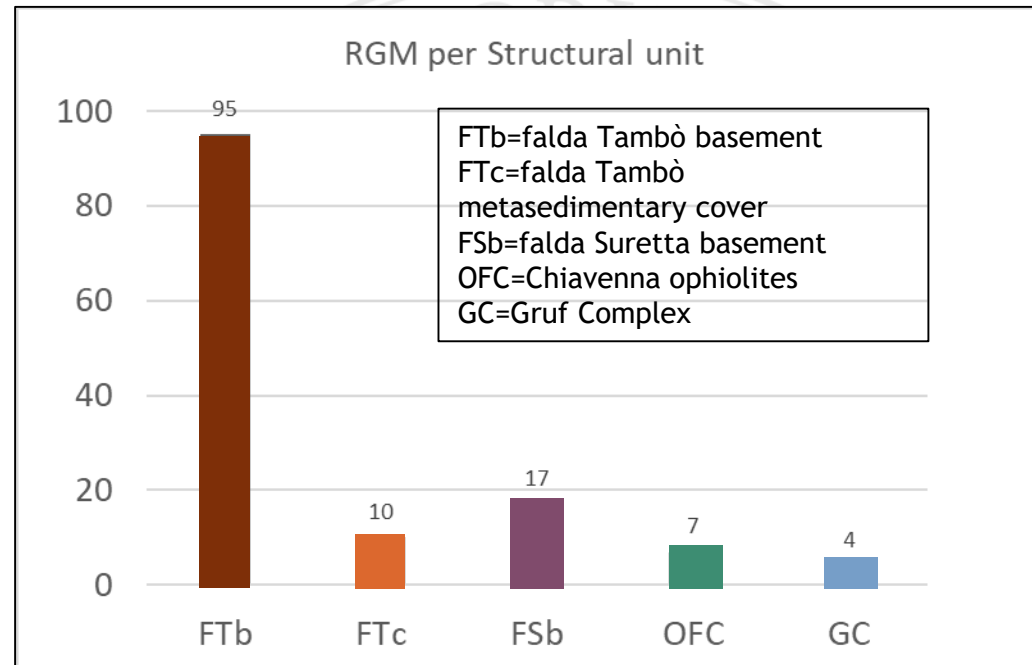
- Aperture (72)  
- JCS natural and fresh (63)

## Primary variables

spacing, intercept, aperture, JCS, JRC

## Secondary variables

$J_v$ , GSI, RMR, weathering grade, weathering delta, equivalent permeability





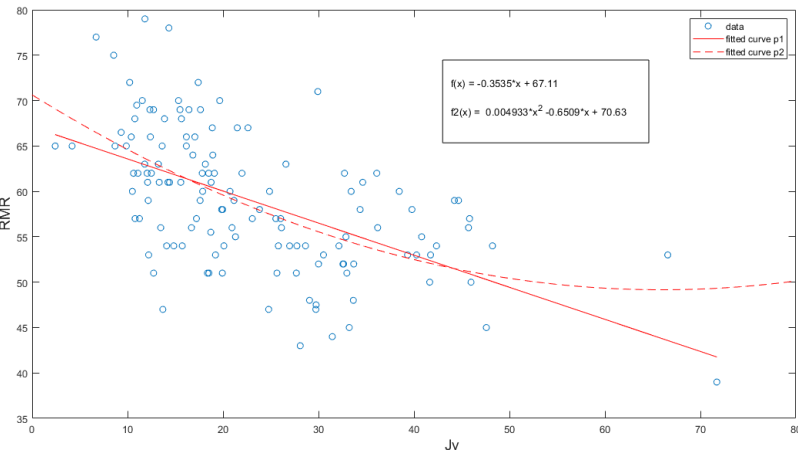
# GEOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS: Exploration Data Analysis

## Ordinary Kriging

Jv independence from the other primary variables

RMR=-0.3535Jv+67.11  
 r\_Pearson=-0.5613  
 p=2.5524E-12  
 R<sup>2</sup> =0.315

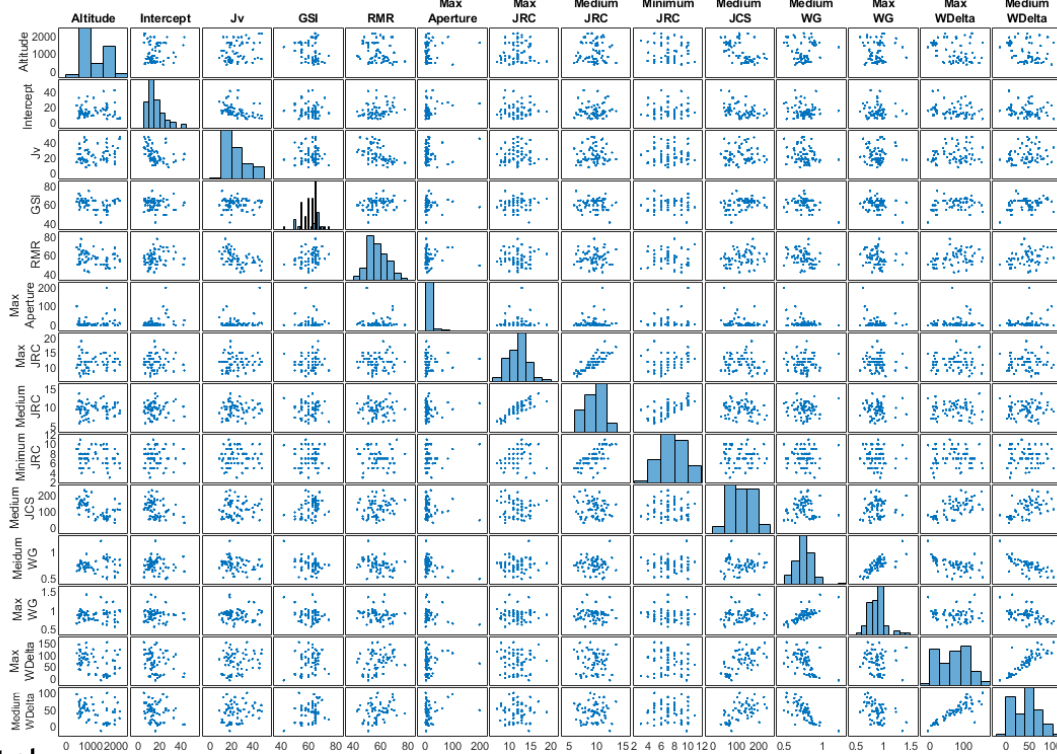
RMR=0.0049Jv<sup>2</sup>-0.6509Jv+70.63  
 r\_Spearman=-0.5891  
 p=1.09E-13  
 R<sup>2</sup> =0.3363



## Bivariate Analysis - Correlation Matrix

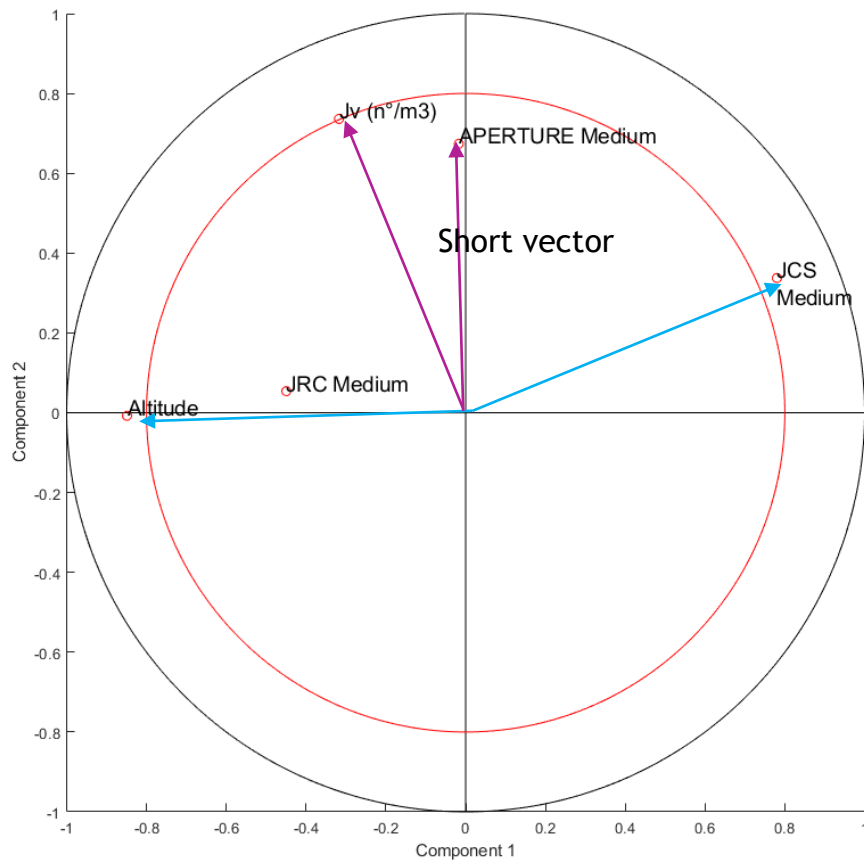
	r-Pearson	p-value	R <sup>2</sup>	r-Spearman	p-value	R <sup>2</sup>
Altitude	-0.3345	0.0074	0.119	-0.3279	0.0087	0.1889
Intercept	-0.3285	0.0086	0.108	-0.3379	0.0068	0.1812
Jv	-0.5646	1.44E-06	0.3188	-0.5683	1.19E-06	0.4153
GSI	-0.355	0.0043	0.126	-0.3433	0.0059	0.1261
RMR	0.3434	0.0059	0.1179	0.3516	0.0047	0.131
Max Aperture	0.3094	0.0136	0.0958	0.2496	0.0048	0.128
Max JRC	-0.4991	1.09E-05	0.249	-0.5171	4.58E-06	0.3336
Medium JRC	-0.432	3.31E-06	0.187	-0.413	9.81E-06	0.187

Sub-database dependency

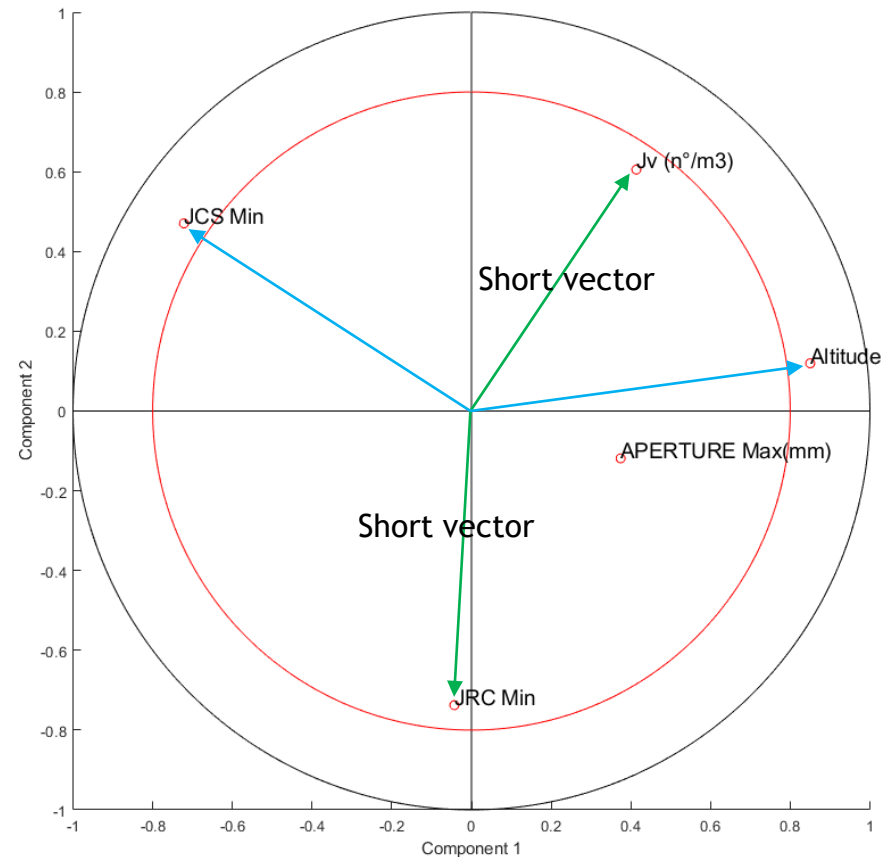


# Multivariate Correlations: Principal Component Analysis

## Rock mass Medium conditions



## Rock mass Worst conditions



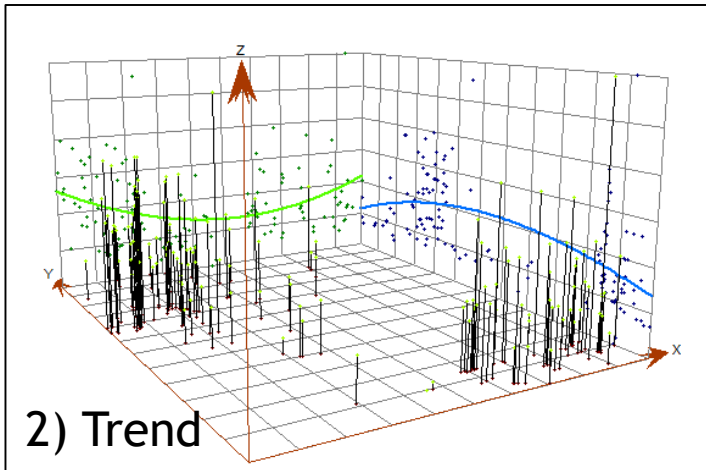
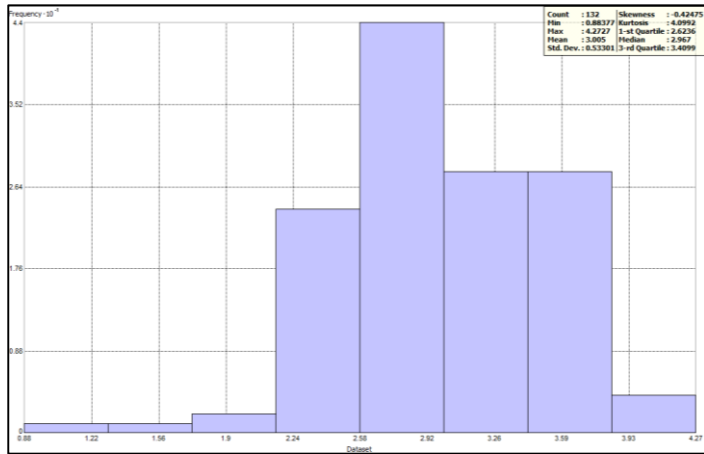
In both cases ~75% of system variability can be explained by 3 principal components.





# GEOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS: Exploration Spatial Data Analysis

## 1) Normality → log-transformation

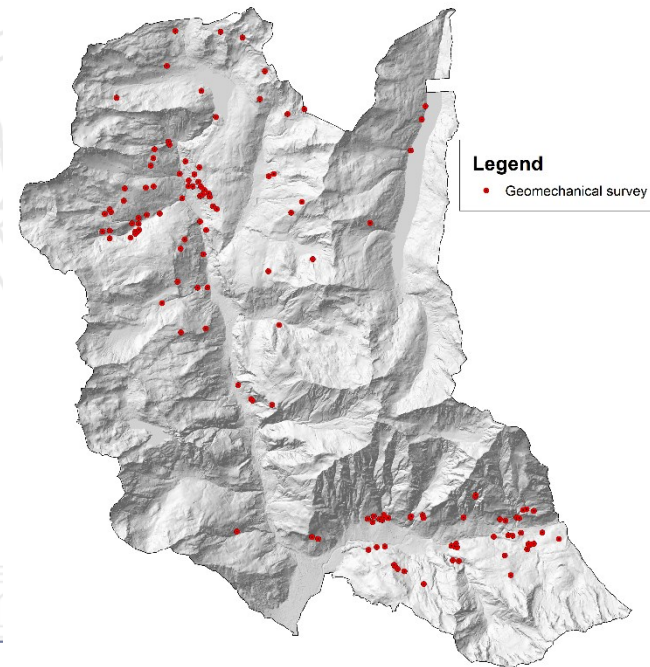
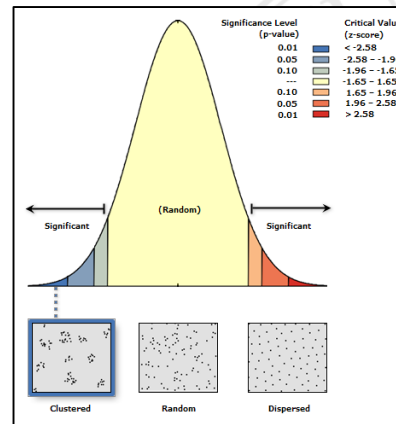


*Geostatistical analyses are more reliable and robust if these conditions are satisfied*

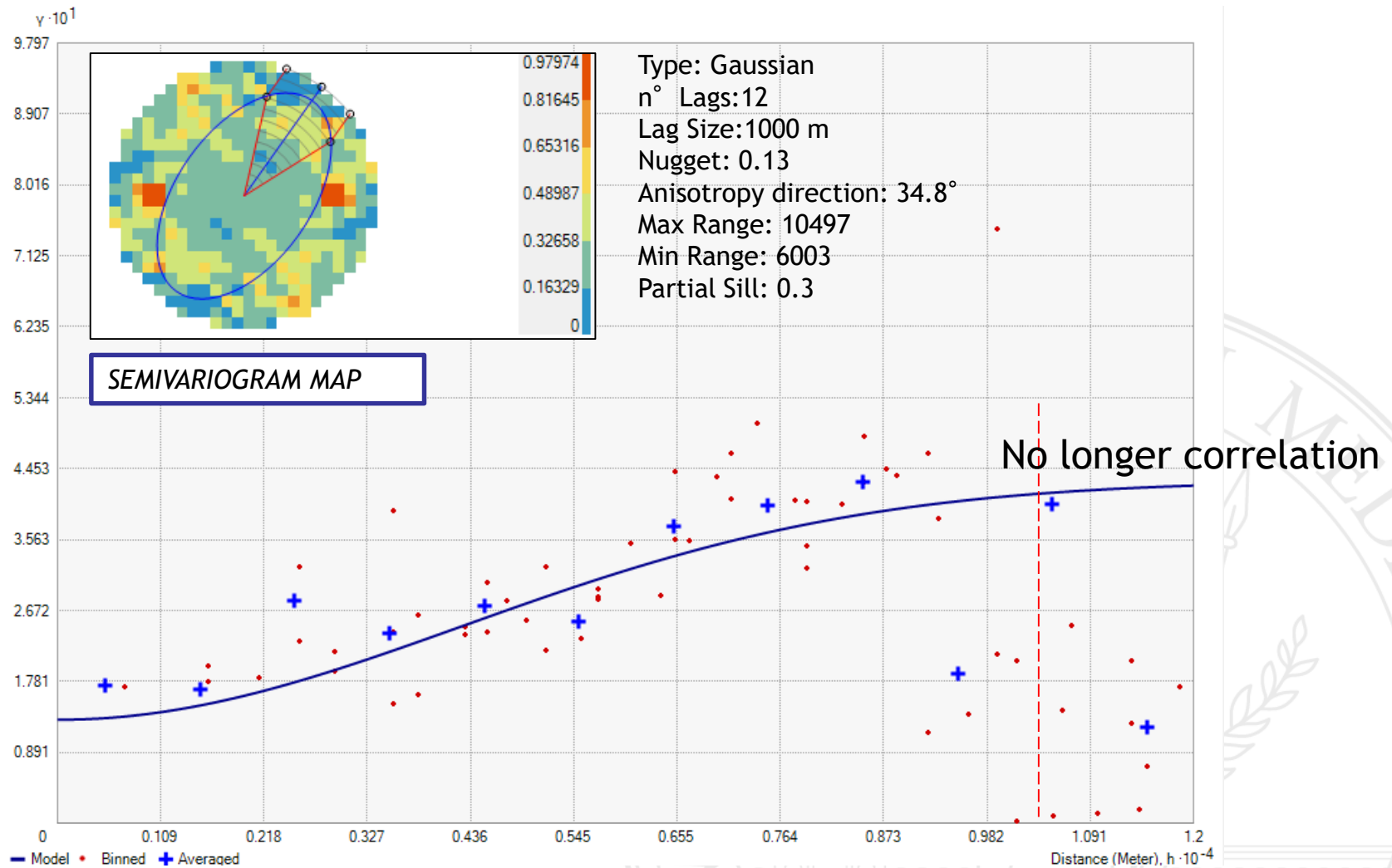
## 3) Clustering

R=0.57 nearest neighbour index

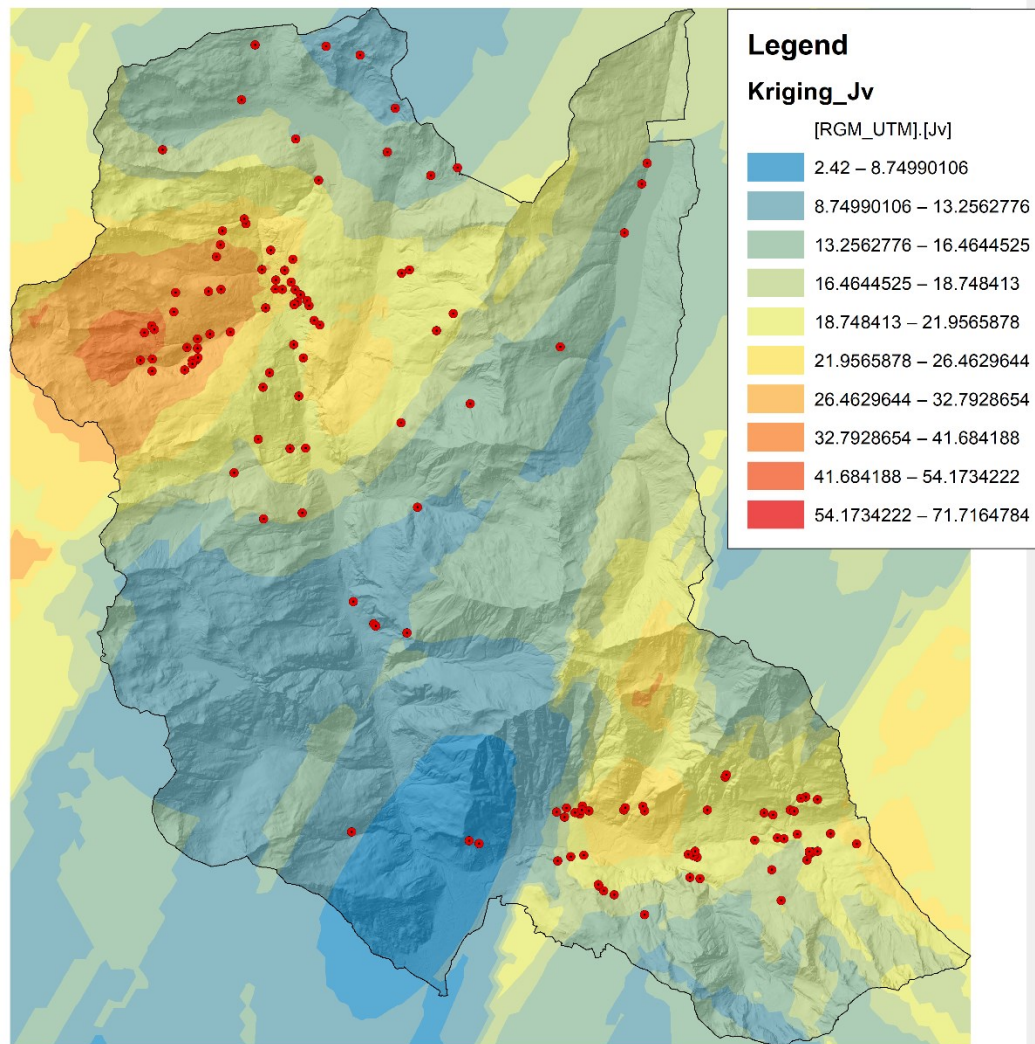
R=1 random ✓  
 R<1 clustered ✗  
 R>1 dispersed ✗



# GEOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS: Variography

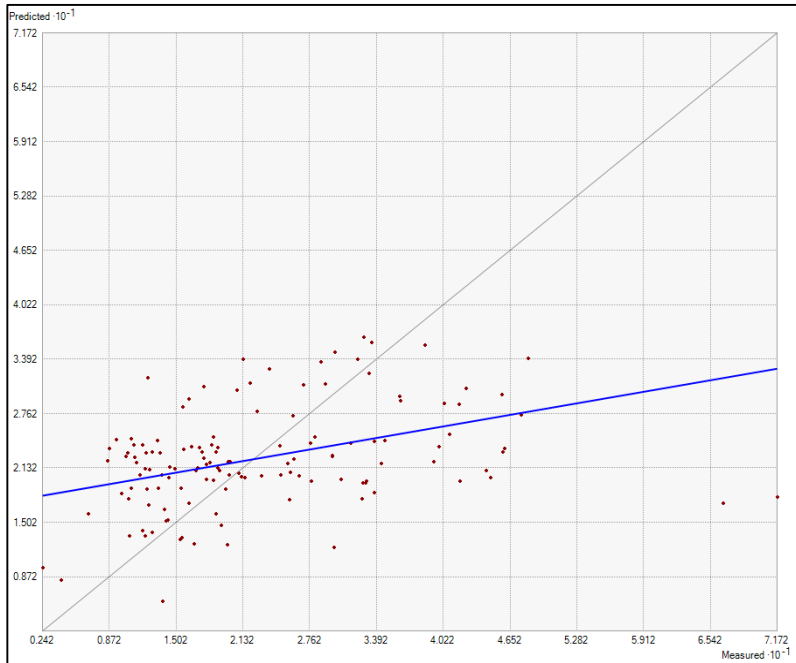


# GEOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS: Prediction



# GEOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS: Cross Validation and Error

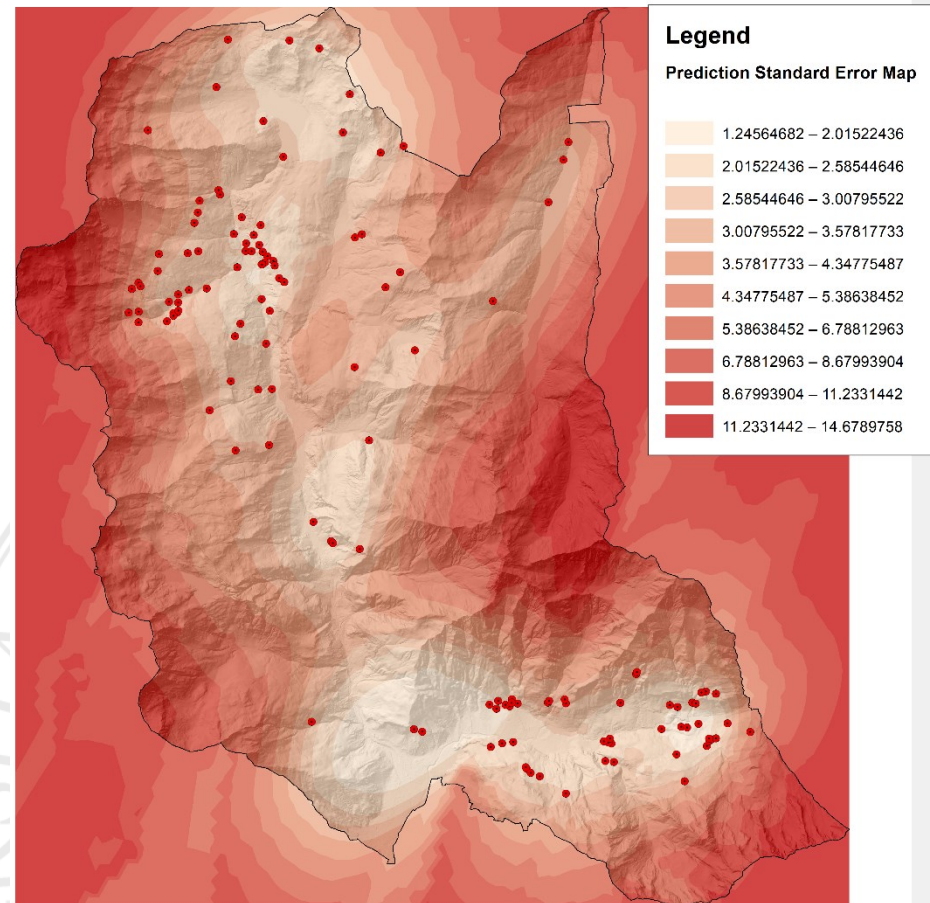
## CROSS VALIDATION



RMS 11.48

Standard\_RMS 1.46

Average Standard Error 9.28





# SURVEY PLANNING

- Exploration Data Analysis suggests the necessity to **homogenize and complete the old database**
- Geostatistics on Jv suggests the necessity of a **new survey to densify data** →30
  - Declustering previous data
  - Improving spatialization robustness and reliability

Addressing COST, TIME, REACHABILITY by maximising the geostatistics prediction and  
Taking inspiration from other disciplines such as ecology and agriculture (Digital Soil Mapping)

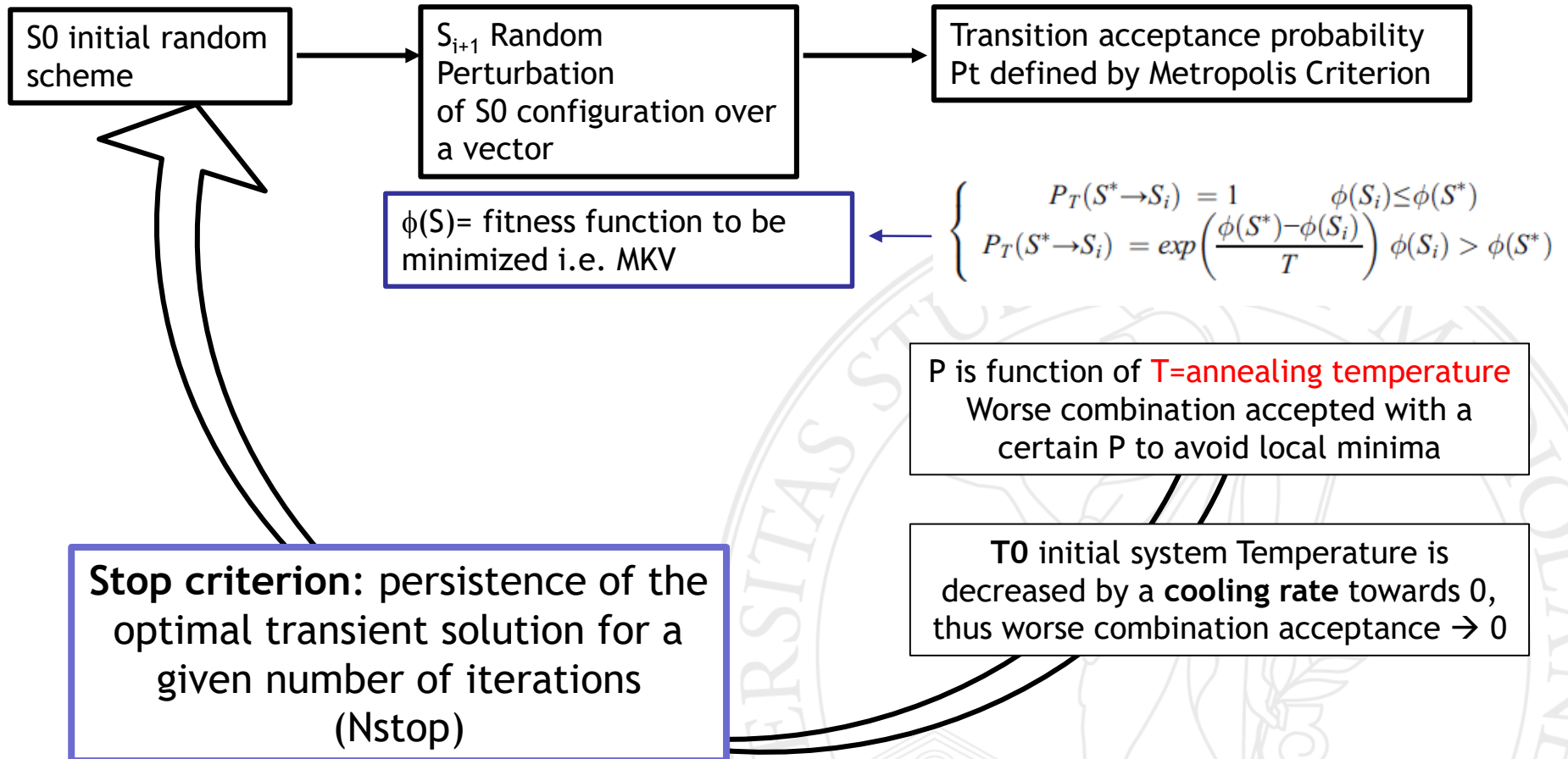
Implementation of the MODEL BASED SAMPLING TECHNIQUE of  
**SPATIAL SIMULATED ANNEALING (SSA)**  
implemented in the R platform

(Van Groeningen et al 2000, Brus et al 2018)



# SPATIAL SIMULATED ANNEALING ALGORITHM: THEORY

ITERATIVE RANDOM SEARCH OPTIMIZATION = sequence of possible sampling scheme is generated





# SPATIAL SIMULATED ANNEALING ALGORITHM: PRACTICE

S0

Random initial sampling (same number of the new sampling) produced by SPCOSA R package

Grid of the study area

GRID 250x250 superimposed by OUTCROP MAP of the area to avoid soil or vegetation covered areas in the sampling scheme

Previous data

PREVIOUS COLLECTED RGMFIXED PART OF THE SAMPLING SCHEME i.e. RANDOM VECTOR =0

Prediction grid

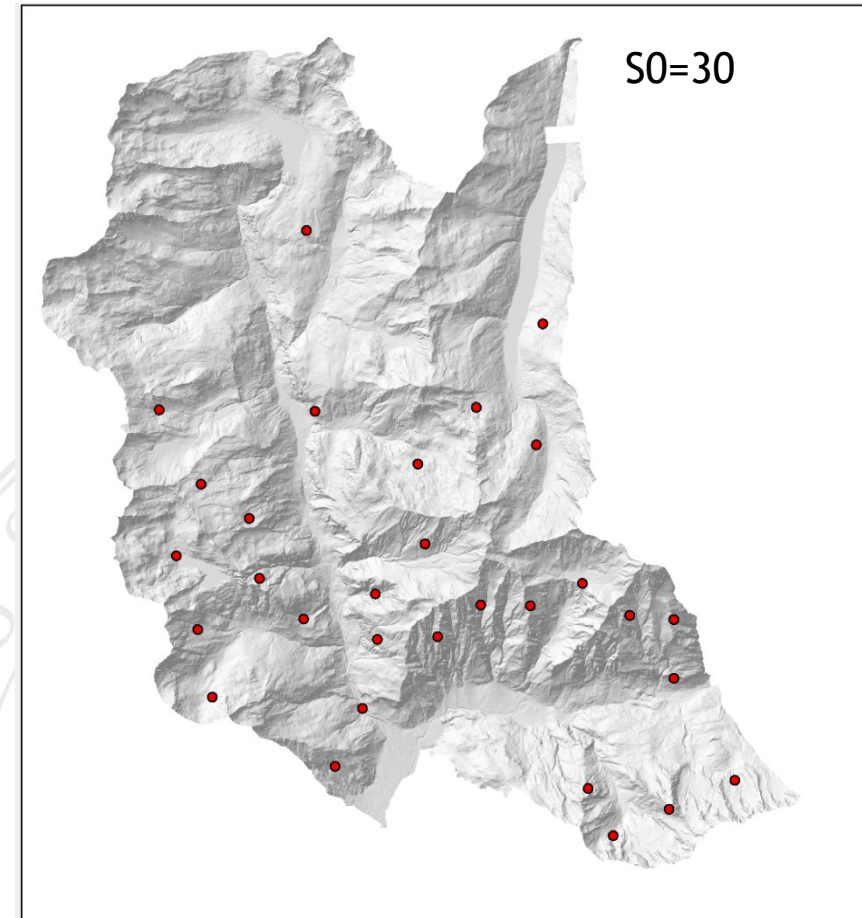
Square grid derived from initial GRID where MKV is computed at each iteration

Kriging variance layer

Kriging layer deriving from Ordinary Kriging on previous RGM

Model parameters

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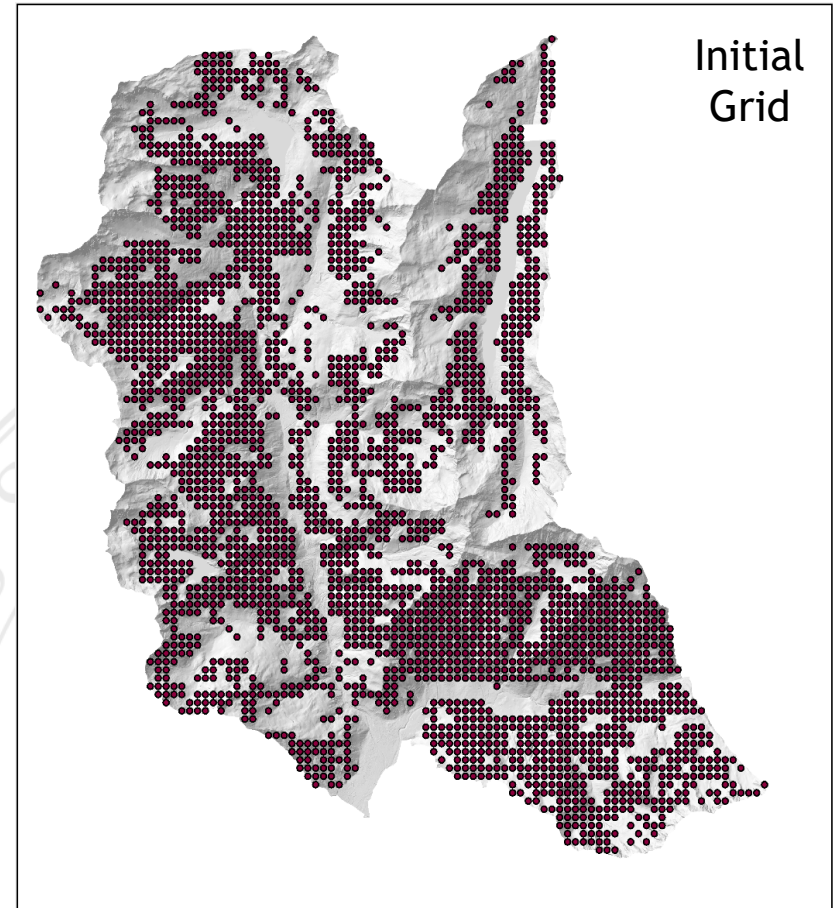
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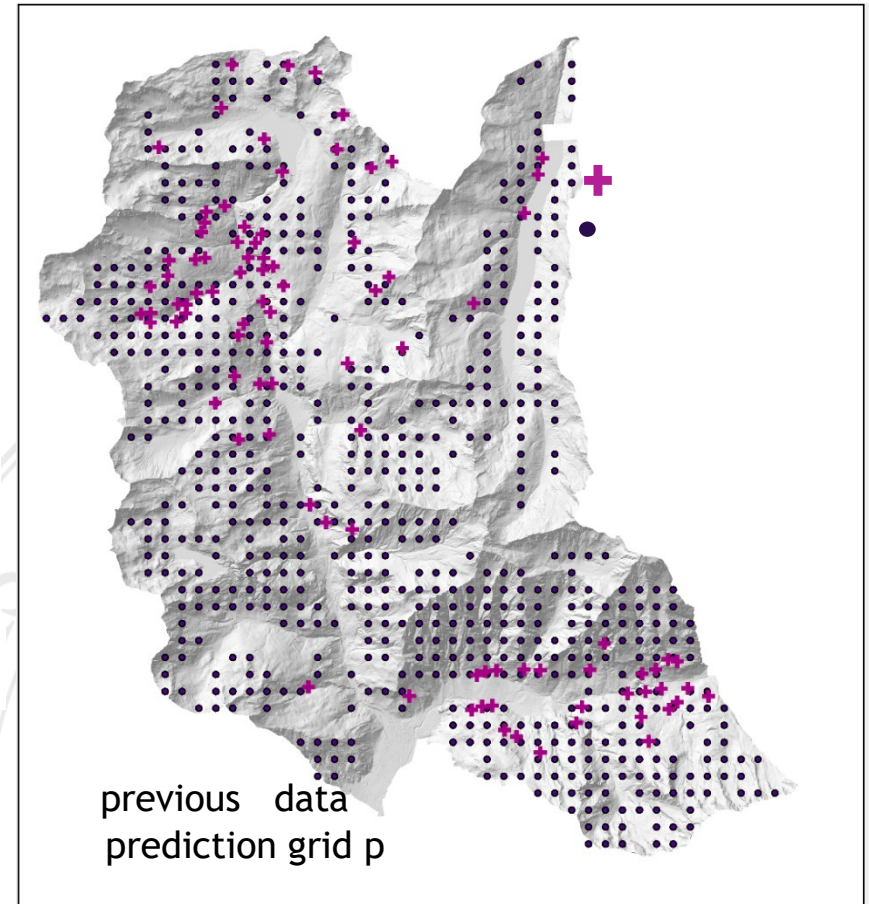
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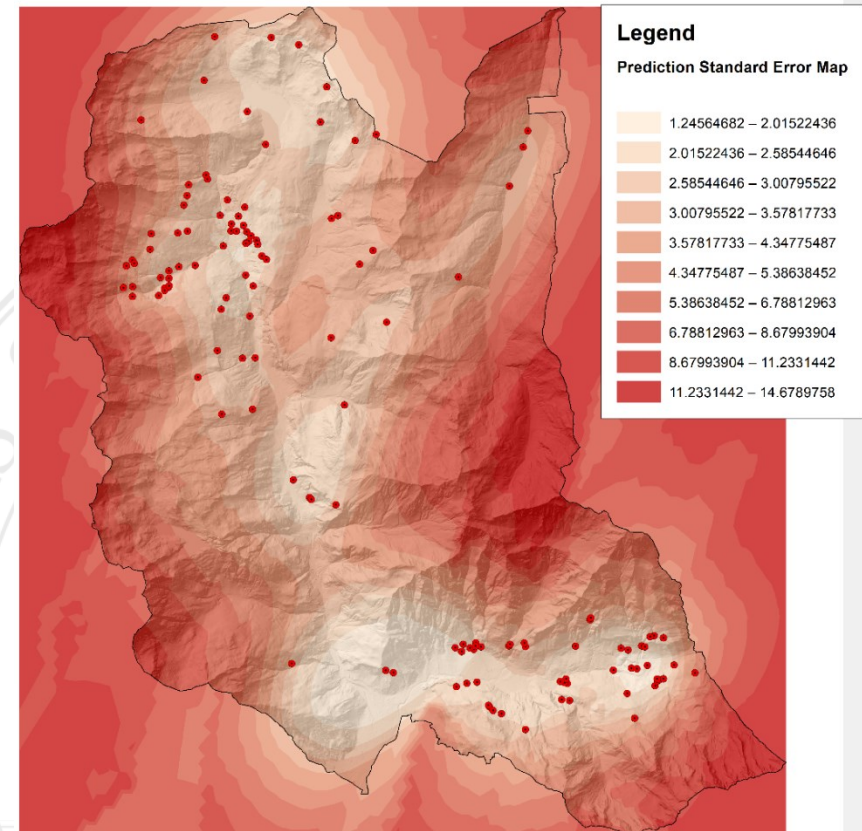
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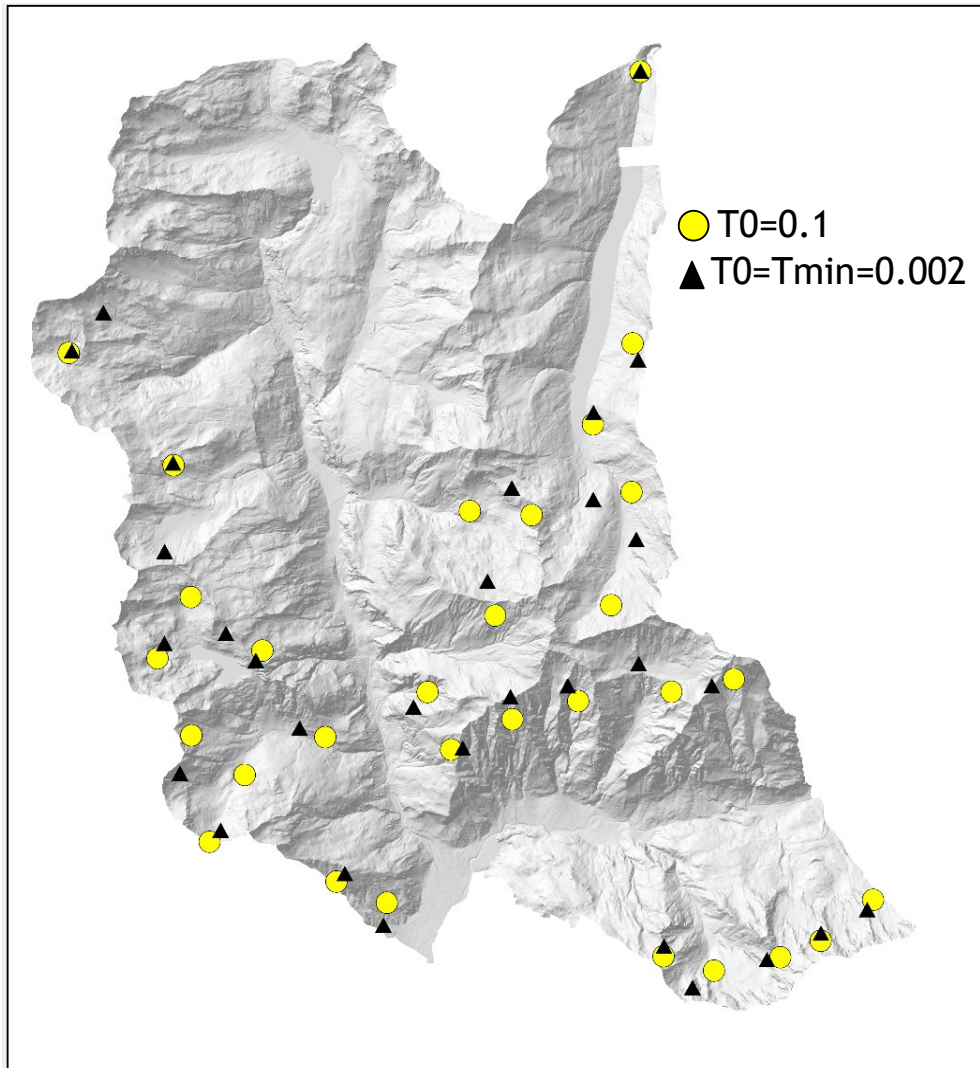
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**Optimal parameters inferred from literature and different tests**



# SPATIAL SIMULATED ANNEALING ALGORITHM: RESULTS



## Sensitivity to Initial Temperature

T0=0.1 Initial acceptance rate 100%  
for the first iterations

T0=0.002=Initial average acceptance  
rate 95%

↓  
calculated by running a  
fast (rapid temperature decrease)  
schedules

T0=1 with cr=0.5,0.85,0.9

T0=10 with cr=0.5,0.85,0.9

However the variation is generally  
**acceptable** with +/- **essential points**  
(i.e. the ones with > coincidence)  
**“Real” surveys** will be necessary  
adjusted to logistic and terrain  
conditions



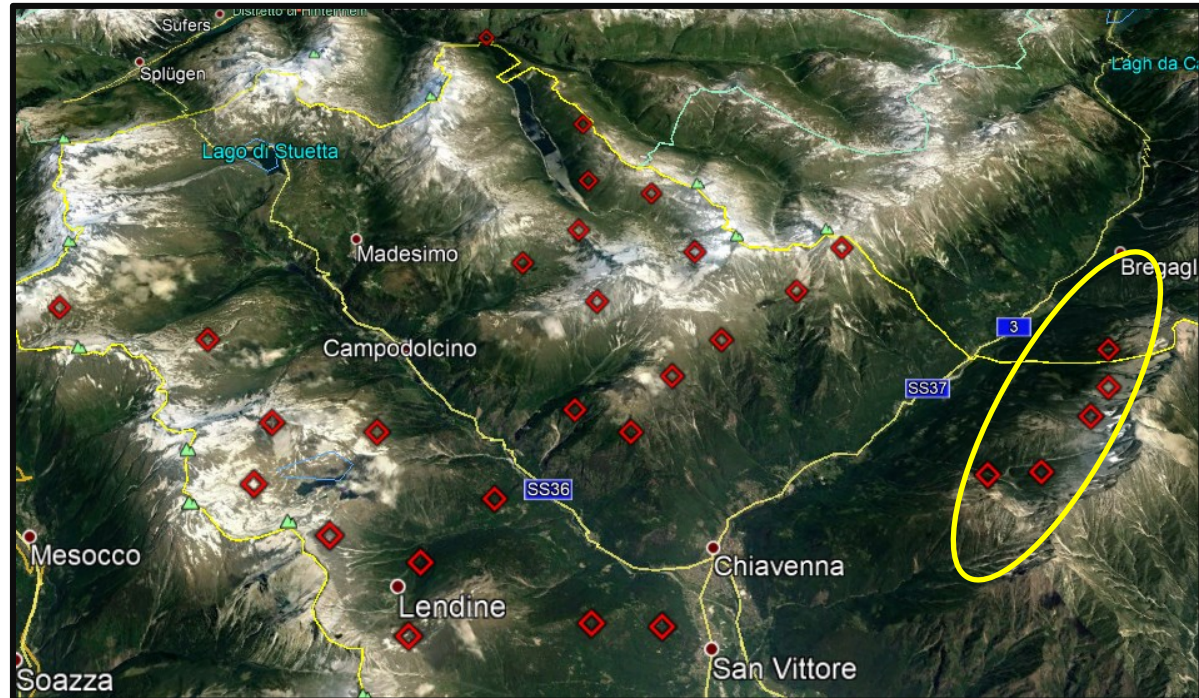
# SUMMER 2019 SURVEY PLAN

Tracks checking and facilities (Shelters, roads..) individuation



South Bergell Valley  
inaccessible areas

UAV  
And/or  
Land photogrammetry



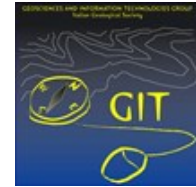
# CONCLUSIONS and FUTURE PERSPECTIVES

1. Homogenizing and completing old surveys →  
Reconsidering bivariate and multivariate correlations
2. Implementing new 3D survey which would maximize geostatistical prediction thanks to SSA → New Geostatistical spatialization by OK, but also considering other techniques (e.g. 3D ordinary kriging and Sequential simulations, MPS)
3. Comparing the results with other fracturing maps sources





# Thanks for your attention!



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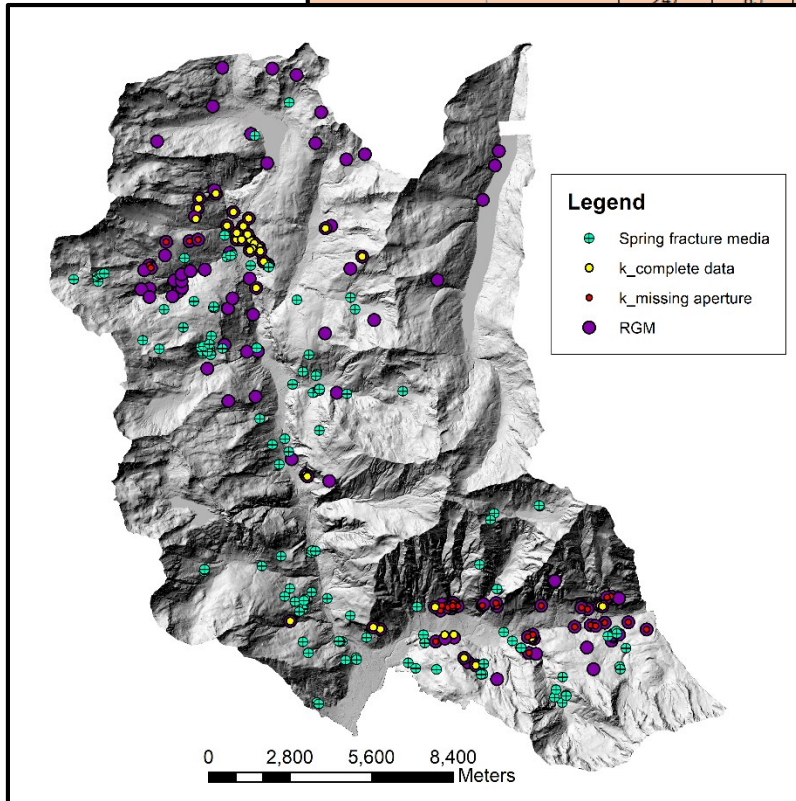


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# Approfondimenti

# PERMEABILITY TENSOR AND EQUIVALENT PERMEABILITY

Codice originario	UNITA' formazionale	imm	incl	strike	spaziatura sistema(m)	frequenza sistema(1/m)	Apertura (mm)		JRC	Apertura Idrraulica m	K equivalente m/s
							misurata	(10cm)			
cp01	FTb	128	30	38	0.098	10.235	0.07	6	5.56E-08	4.92E-06	
		104	70	14	0.122	8.197	0.05	9	1.03E-08		
		153	45	63	0.312	3.205	28	8	4.33E-03		
		260	60	170	0.227	4.398	0.23	8	2.92E-07		
cp02	FTc	210	80	120	0.135	7.435	2.01	11	1.01E-05	1.73E-09	
		116	40	26	0.058	17.241	0.11	5	2.16E-07		
		298	65	28	0.103	9.681	1.7	11	7.20E-06		
cp03	FTb	148	35	58	0.183	5.461	14.7	10	6.83E-04	0.6456	
		345	78	75	0.910	1.099	83.7	15	8.04E-03		
		247	85	157	1.866	0.536	52.4	7	2.12E-02		
				117	0.191	5.247	15.8	14	3.40E-04		
				41	0.106	9.434	0.06	6	4.08E-08	4.65E-07	
				113	0.146	6.849	36.9	12	2.73E-03		
				1	0.158	6.329	0.06	12	7.22E-09	5.25E-09	
				72	0.149	6.702	2.1	9	1.81E-05		
				132	0.207	4.824	1.8	11	8.07E-06		
				120	0.313	3.196	0.8	12	1.28E-06		
				21	1.086	0.921	2.1	9	1.81E-05		



**Matlab script automatic calculation of permeability tensor from in situ data**

$$\underline{K} = \frac{g}{12\nu} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \cdot e_i^3 \cdot \left[ \mathbf{I} - \vec{n}_i \otimes \vec{n}_i \right]$$

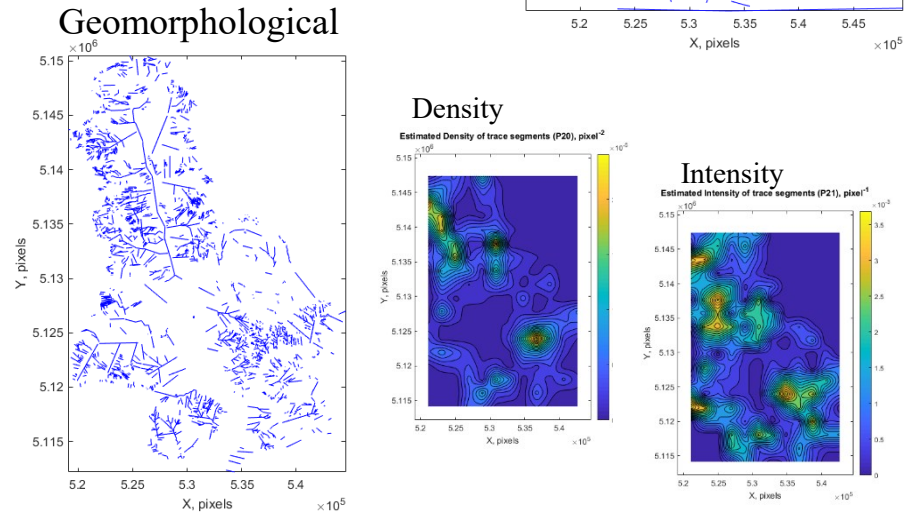
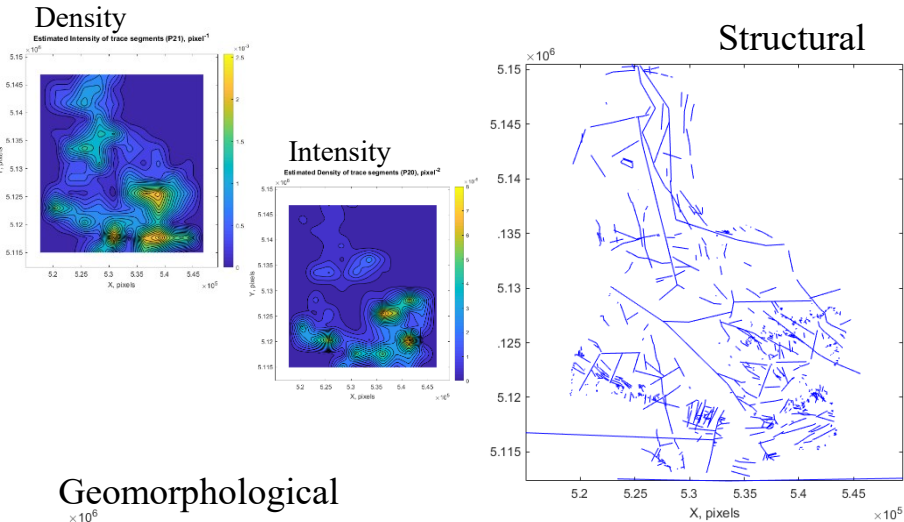
$$e = \frac{E^2}{JRC_0^{2.5}}$$

**Problem: Incomplete dataset and extremely clustered data**



# Structural/fracturing setting information sources

## 1) Structural/geomorphological on-field survey (1:10000)



## 2) Morpholineament extraction from DEM

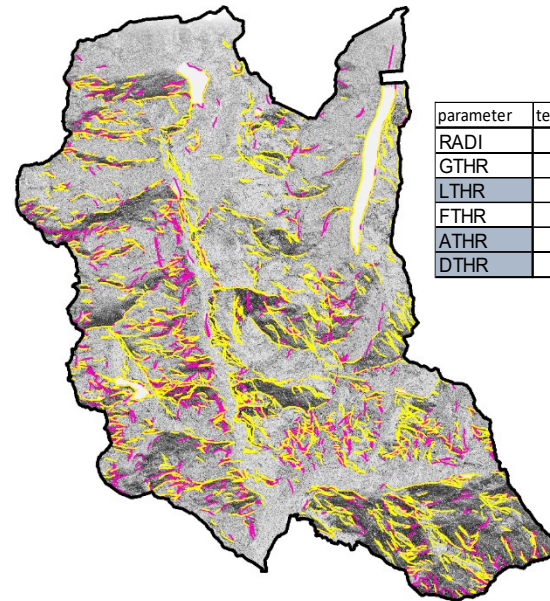
From DTM to Hillshade

- 1) 0°45° 90°135°
- 2) 180°225° 270°315°

Combine  
ArcGIS  
tool

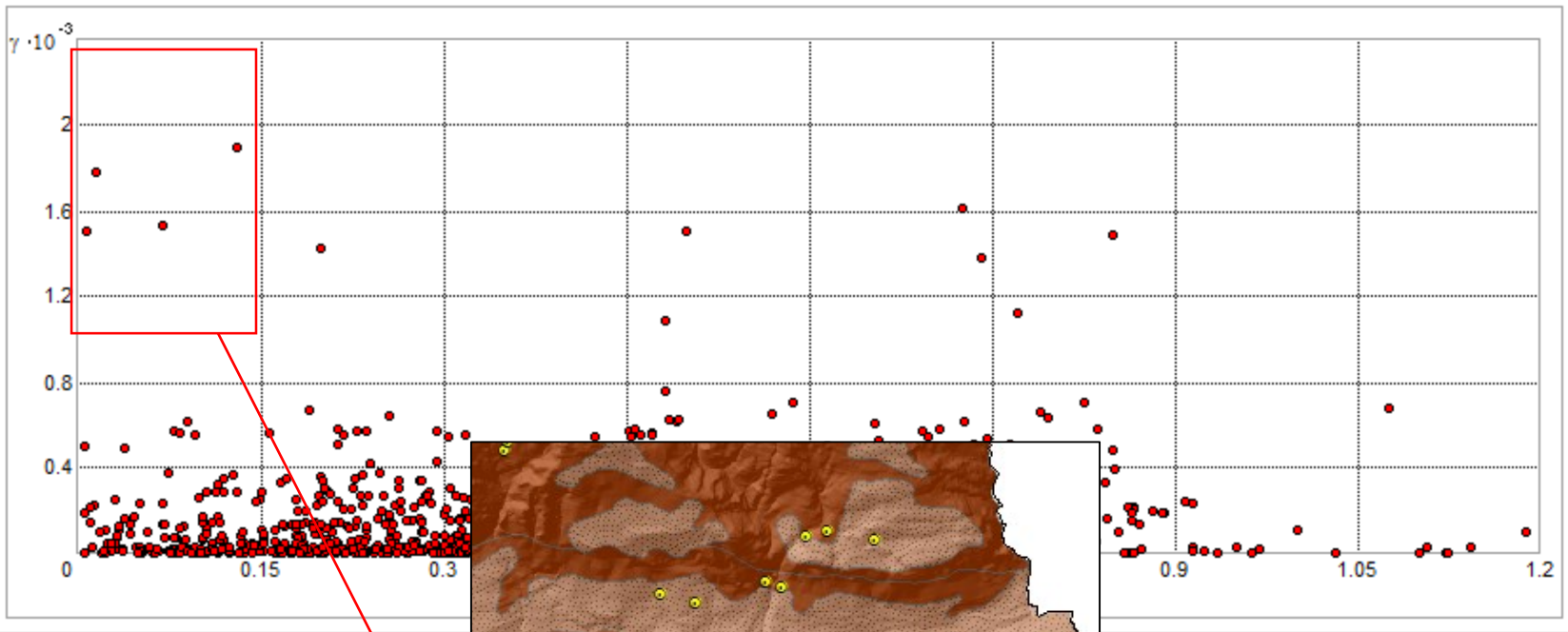
- 1) edge detection
- 2) thresholding
- 3) curve extraction

PCI  
Geomatica



parameter	test1	test2	test3	test4	test5
RADI	10	10	10	10	10
GTHR	100	100	100	100	100
LTHR	30	50	40	50	100
FTHR	5	5	5	5	5
ATHR	30	30	45	30	30
DTHR	20	100	50	20	20





Rm 08,10,11,12  
 hanno Jv tra l 12 e l  
 20 mentre Rm09 ha Jv  
 71..Rm09 è una zona  
 di cataclasi perchè la  
 parete è attraversata  
 da faglia locale

