

# SPATIAL DATA ANALYSIS TECHNICAL EXCHANGE WORKSHOP

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# Reminder

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- n  $PM_{2.5}$  monitoring in Puget Sound
  - Mixed network: FRMs, TEOMs, Nephelometers
  - Evaluate performance
    - Look at annual  $PM_{2.5}$  spatial process
    - Assess network's MSPE summary statistics for that process
      - current versus alternative designs
    - Keep in mind:
      - Federal regulations
      - real-world bias adjustment of data

# Notation

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- n  $Z$  = data, as measured
- n  $Y$  = true  $PM_{2.5}$
- n Asterisks (\*) denote bias-adjusted data
- n Will clarify more as we go along
- n Will suppress subscripts/superscripts whenever possible !

# Basic Model Form

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n  $Z^* = Y + \epsilon^* \quad \text{Data}$

n  $Y = X(\mu + \eta^*) \quad \text{Process}$

n Written hierarchically, where:

- $X(\mu)$  = deterministic large scale spatial trend
- $\eta^*$  = stochastic small scale variation
- $\epsilon$  = error in measurement

# Basic Model Assumptions

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$n$   $^*$ ,  $,$ , independent and normally distributed

$n$   $E [^*] = E [, ] = 0$

$n$   $\text{Var} [^*] = W \rightarrow$  some spatial covariance matrix

- explored several
- spherical used in examples

$n$   $\text{Var} [, ^*] = V^*$

# More on $V^*$

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- n With FRM-only network,  $V^* = V = F^2 I$
- n With mixed network but no bias,  $V^* = V = \text{diag} \{ \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots \}$
- n With mixed network, bias, and real-world bias correction,  $V^* =$ 
  - No longer diagonal !
  - Depends on measurement errors
  - Depends on uncertainty in bias correction

# Bias Correction

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n Consider daily data,  $t$  denotes day

n In practice:

- Assume  $E[Z_F(t)] = \mu + \beta E[Z_C(t)]$
- $(\mu, \beta)$  = fixed area-wide bias correction
- Suggests SOME uncertainty in bias adjustment, e.g.,  $se(\hat{\beta}) \approx \frac{\sigma_1}{\sqrt{n}}$

n Closer to reality:

- $(\mu, \beta)$  = fixed area-wide bias correction
- $(\mu_s, \beta_s)$  = random site-specific or monitor-specific bias
- Suggests MORE uncertainty in bias adjustment, e.g.,  $se(\hat{\beta}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n} + \sigma_2^2}$

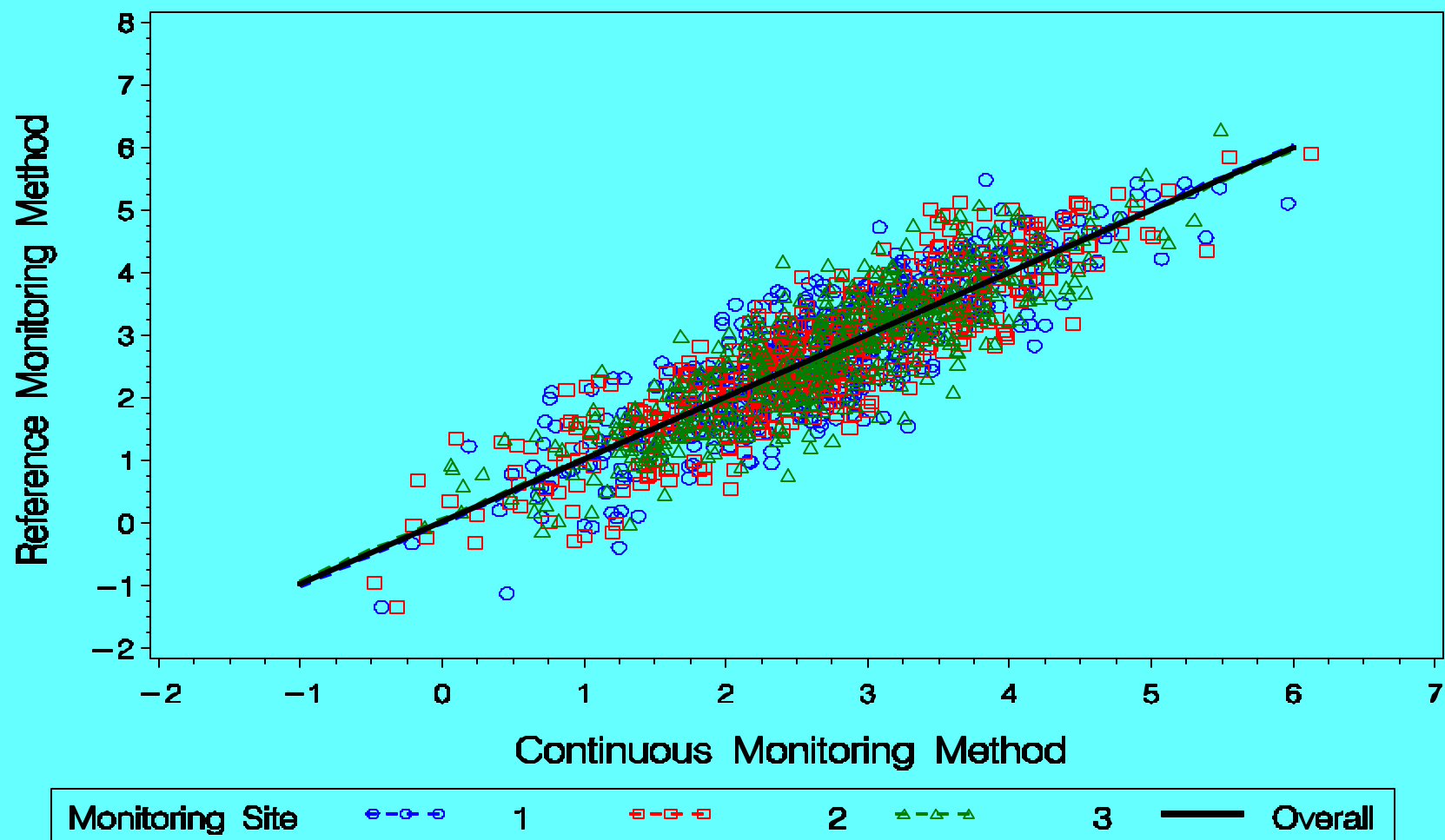
# Example of Uncertainty in Bias Adjustment

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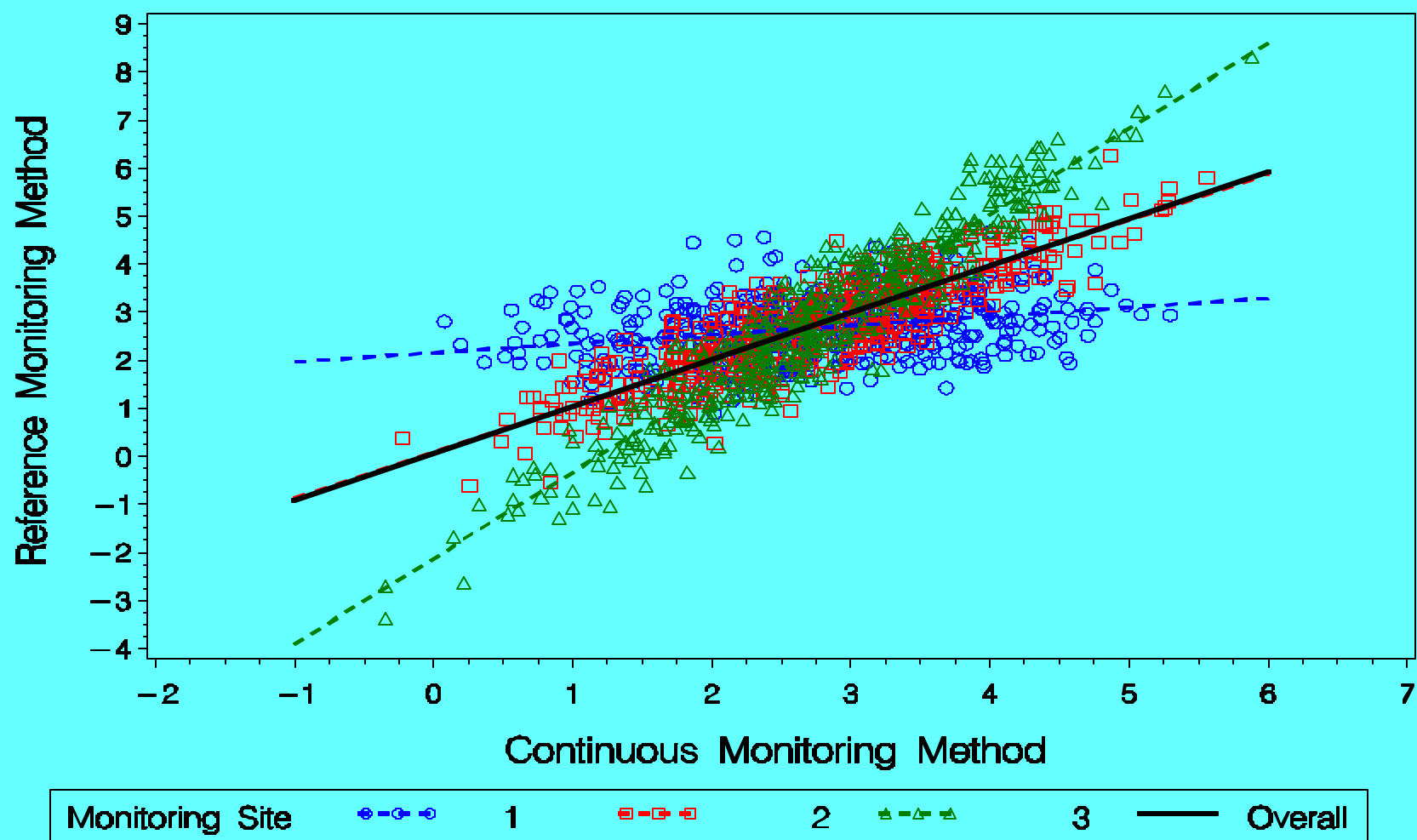
- n Simulated three sites of co-located FRM and continuous data.
- n Increased degree of between-site heterogeneity in continuous bias.
- n Applied ordinary least squares, ignoring site effect.
- n Compared  $se(\hat{\beta})$  versus degree of heterogeneity.



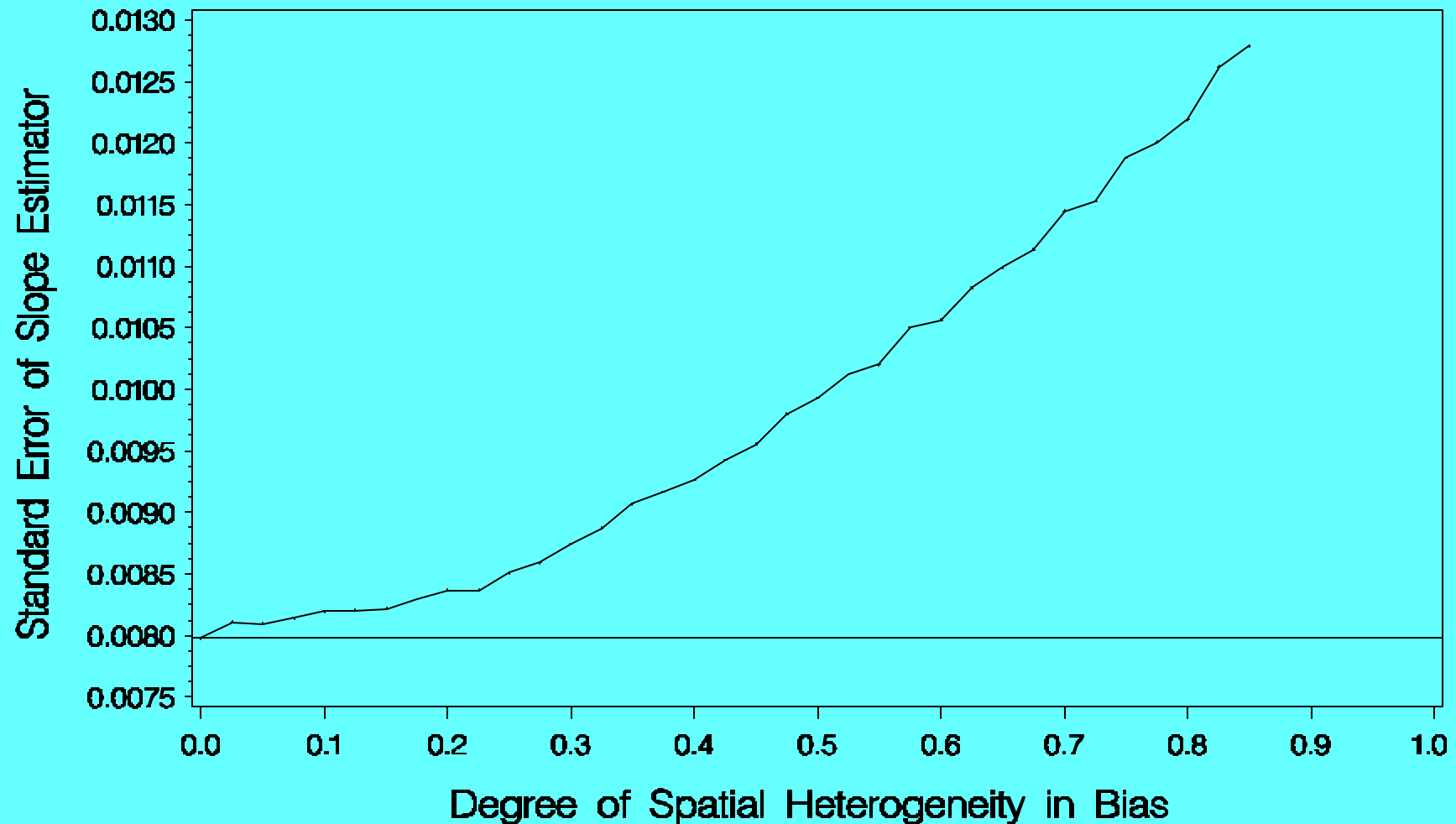
## Complete Spatial Homogeneity



## Spatial Heterogeneity in the Bias



## Variability in Slope Estimate Versus Degree of Spatial Heterogeneity



# Back to $V^*$

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- n Recall, in practice, data from all co-located FRM, continuous sites pooled to estimate ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ).
- n This gives:
  - $Z_C^*(s) = \alpha + \beta Z_C(s)$  for continuous annual average  $PM_{2.5}$
  - $Z_F^*(s) = Z_F(s)$  for FRM annual average  $PM_{2.5}$
- n Include some assumptions:
  - Day-to-day independence of 24-hour integrated  $PM_{2.5}$  data
  - No significant seasonal or spatial trends
  - Monitor-to-monitor independence, conditional on  $Y$

# Back to $V^*$ (continued)

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$n$  Along with assumptions, some **Very Careful Bookkeeping** gives  $V^*$  as:

- Diagonal elements:
  - $\text{Var}(Z_{iF}^*) = \sigma_F^2 \{1/n_{iF}\}$ , for FRMs
  - $\text{Var}(Z_{iC}^*) = \sigma_F^2 \{ 1/M + s [ 1/M + 1/n_{iC} - 2/M (m_{iC}/n_{iC}) ] \}$ , for continuous
- Off-diagonal elements:
  - $\text{Cov}(Z_{iC}^*, Z_{jC}^*) = \sigma_F^2 \{ 1/M + s [ 1/M - 1/M (m_{iC}/n_{iC} + m_{jC}/n_{jC}) ] \}$ , for continuous  $i$  and  $j$
  - $\text{Cov}(Z_{iF}^*, Z_{jF}^*) = 0$ , for FRM  $i$  and  $j$
  - $\text{Cov}(Z_{iF}^*, Z_{jC}^*) = \sigma_F^2 \{ 1/M (m_{iF}/n_{iFC}) \}$ , for FRM  $i$  and continuous  $j$

# Back to $V^*$ (continued)

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- Where
  - $F_F^2$  = FRM measurement error
  - $n_{iF}$  = number of daily observations in annual average of FRM at i-th site
  - $n_{iC}$  = number of daily observations in annual average of continuous at i-th site
  - $m_{iF}$  = number of daily observations used from FRM at i-th site in bias correction
  - $m_{iC}$  = number of daily observations used from continuous monitor at i-th site in bias correction
  - $M$  = total number of observations used in bias correction
  - $s = (F_b^2 + \$^2) r^2$ , where  $\$$  is slope of bias correction,  $F_b$  is standard error of slope estimate, and  $r$  is ratio  $F_c/F_f$ , where  $F_c^2$  is continuous measurement error

- Recall,  $\sigma_b^2 = \frac{\sigma_1^2}{M} + \sigma_2^2$

# V\* Example

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n Consider 4 FRM and 4 continuous monitors

n Assume daily data collected as:

	is.frm	n.mean	n.reg
F-1	1	120	0
F-2	1	120	120
F-3	1	60	0
F-4	1	60	60
C-1	0	240	0
C-2	0	240	120
C-3	0	120	0
C-4	0	120	60

n First 4 lines correspond to FRMs

n F-2, C-2 co-located and F-4, C-4 co-located

## V\* Example (continued)

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- n Suppose  $\$=1$ ,  $se(\hat{\beta}) = 0.05$ , and  $(F_C / F_F) = 1$  then correlation matrix from  $V^*$  is:

	F-1	F-2	F-3	F-4	C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4
F-1	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F-2	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.49	0.62	0.44	0.52
F-3	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F-4	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.35	0.44	0.31	0.36
C-1	0.00	0.49	0.00	0.35	1.00	0.68	0.64	0.57
C-2	0.00	0.62	0.00	0.44	0.68	1.00	0.61	0.48
C-3	0.00	0.44	0.00	0.31	0.64	0.61	1.00	0.51
C-4	0.00	0.52	0.00	0.36	0.57	0.48	0.51	1.00

- n F-i, F-j un-correlated
- n F-2 and F-4 correlated with C-i
- n C-i, C-j all correlated



## V\* Example (continued)

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- n Suppose  $F_F = 0.1$ , then  $V^*$  diagonals are:

F-1	F-2	F-3	F-4	C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4
0.00913	0.00913	0.0129	0.0129	0.0124	0.00987	0.014	0.0118

- n F-diagonals vary due to different number of daily observations ONLY
- n C-diagonals vary due to different number of daily observations AND whether or not co-located.

# V\* Properties

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- n As desired, penalizes for:
  - Smaller number of daily observations
  - Smaller number of co-located FRM sites
  - Continuous monitor not being co-located with FRM (0-1)
  - TOTAL error in bias correction
  
- n Accounts for correlation induced by real-world bias correction process

# Summary

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- n Interested in MSPE of BLUP for network evaluation
- n  $MSPE = f(W, V^*)$
- n  $W$  = variability in true spatial process
- n  $V^*$  = uncertainty in measurement process  
=  $f(\text{sample size, measurement errors, true area-wide bias, } \sigma_b^2)$
- n  $\sigma_b^2$  = error in bias estimation/adjustment  
=  $f(\text{sample size, measurement errors, heterogeneity in site-to-site or monitor-to-monitor bias})$

# Prediction

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- n To predict Y-process at new site,  $S'$ , BLUP of  $Y_{S'}$  is:

$$p_{S'} = X'_{S'} g + c'_{S'} E^{-1} (Z - Xg)$$

- n Where  $E = V^* + W$

- n MSPE of BLUP can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSPE}(p_{S'}) &= \text{Var}(p_{S'} - Y_{S'}) = \text{Var}(Y_{S'}) + \text{Var}(p_{S'}) - 2 \text{Cov}(P_{S'}, Y_{S'}) \\ &= \text{Var}(Y_{S'}) + P_{S'} E P'_{S'} - 2 P'_{S'} c_{S'} \\ &= \text{Var}(Y_{S'}) + P_{S'} V^* P'_{S'} + P_{S'} W P'_{S'} - 2 P'_{S'} c_{S'} \end{aligned}$$

# Parameter Estimation (FRM, TEOM)

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- n Use data at hand to estimate unknown parameters in  $W$  and  $V^*$ :
  - Restricted maximum likelihood (REML) in  $S^+$  applied to 14 sites of FRM annual averages yields  $\sigma_F^2$  and  $W$  (spherical spatial correlation, no nugget effect)
  - Linear mixed model fit by REML in  $S^+$  applied to co-located FRM, TEOM daily data yields  $\sigma_b^2$ ,  $\sigma_c^2$ , and  $\sigma_F^2$
  - Can obtain  $\sigma_c^2$  a number of ways
  - Combined with a given network specification, yields MSPE for a mixed “network” of FRMs and continuous

# Results – FRMs Only

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n Fit model to 14 sites of FRM annual averages

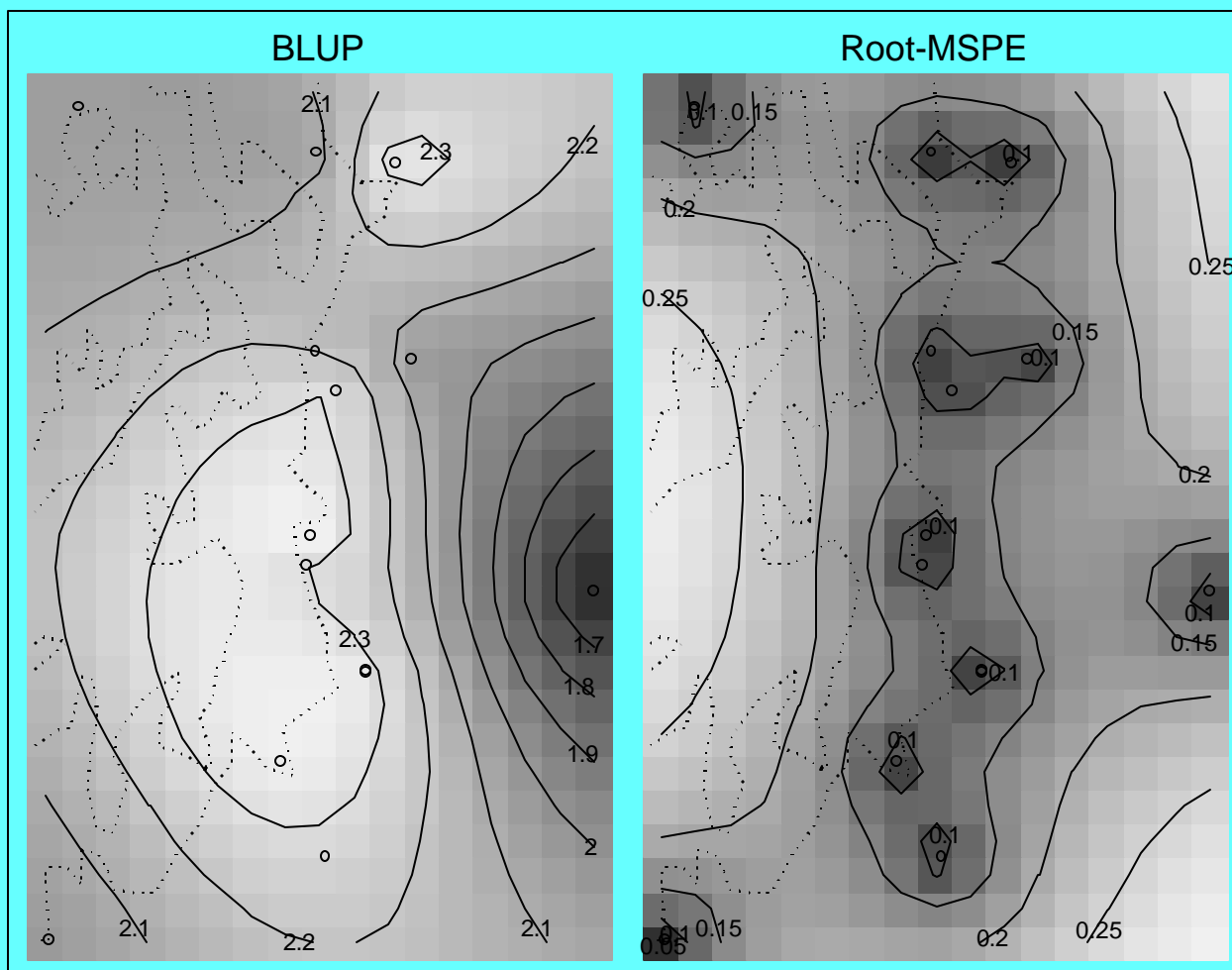
n Yields estimates:

- $\sigma_F^2 = 0.034$
- $\sigma_W^2 = 0.078$
- Range = 70.5 kilometers

n Summary Statistics

	Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
BLUP	1.60000	2.066	2.1580	2.1460	2.2520	2.375
root-MSPE	0.04632	0.151	0.1827	0.1838	0.2203	0.287

# Results – FRMs Only (continued)



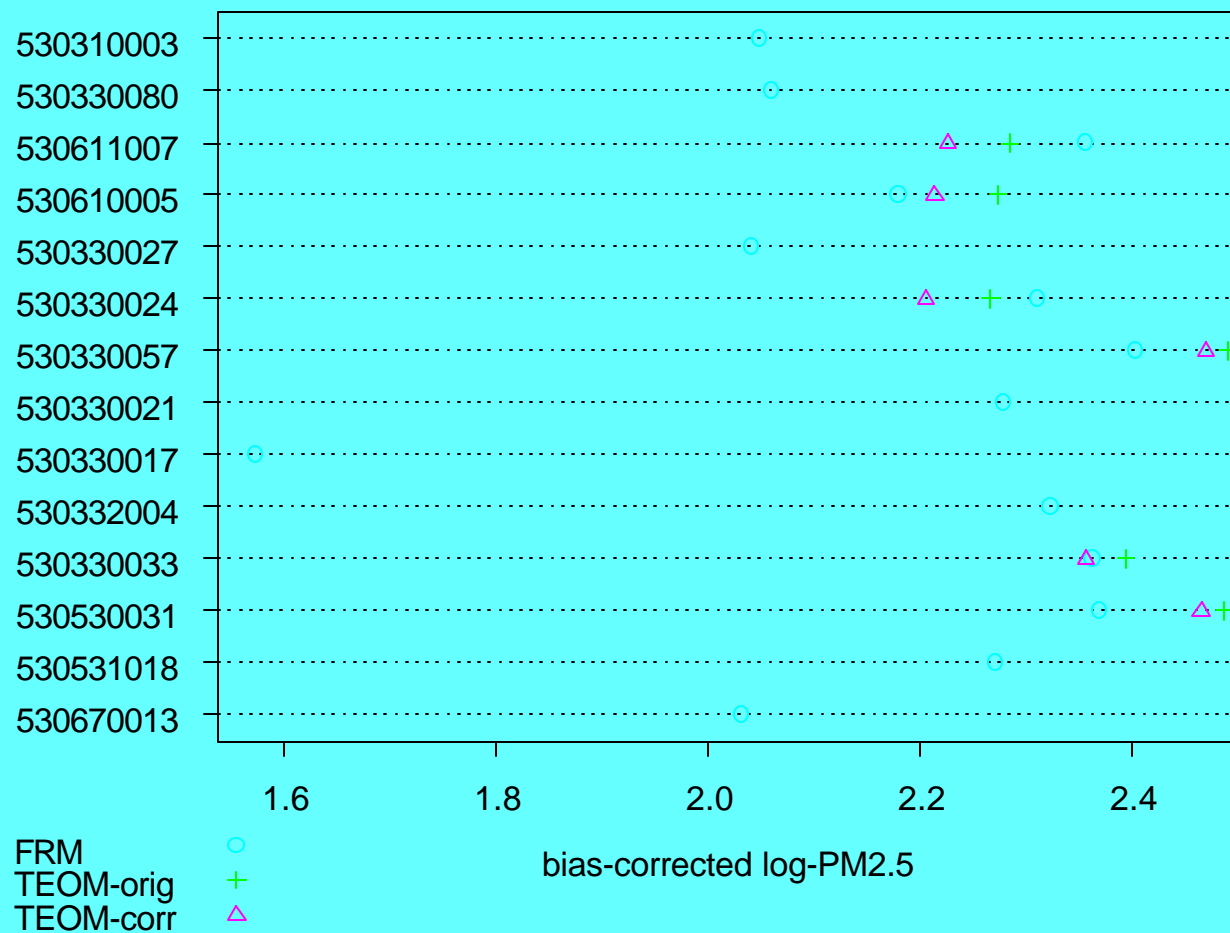
# Results – Bias Correction

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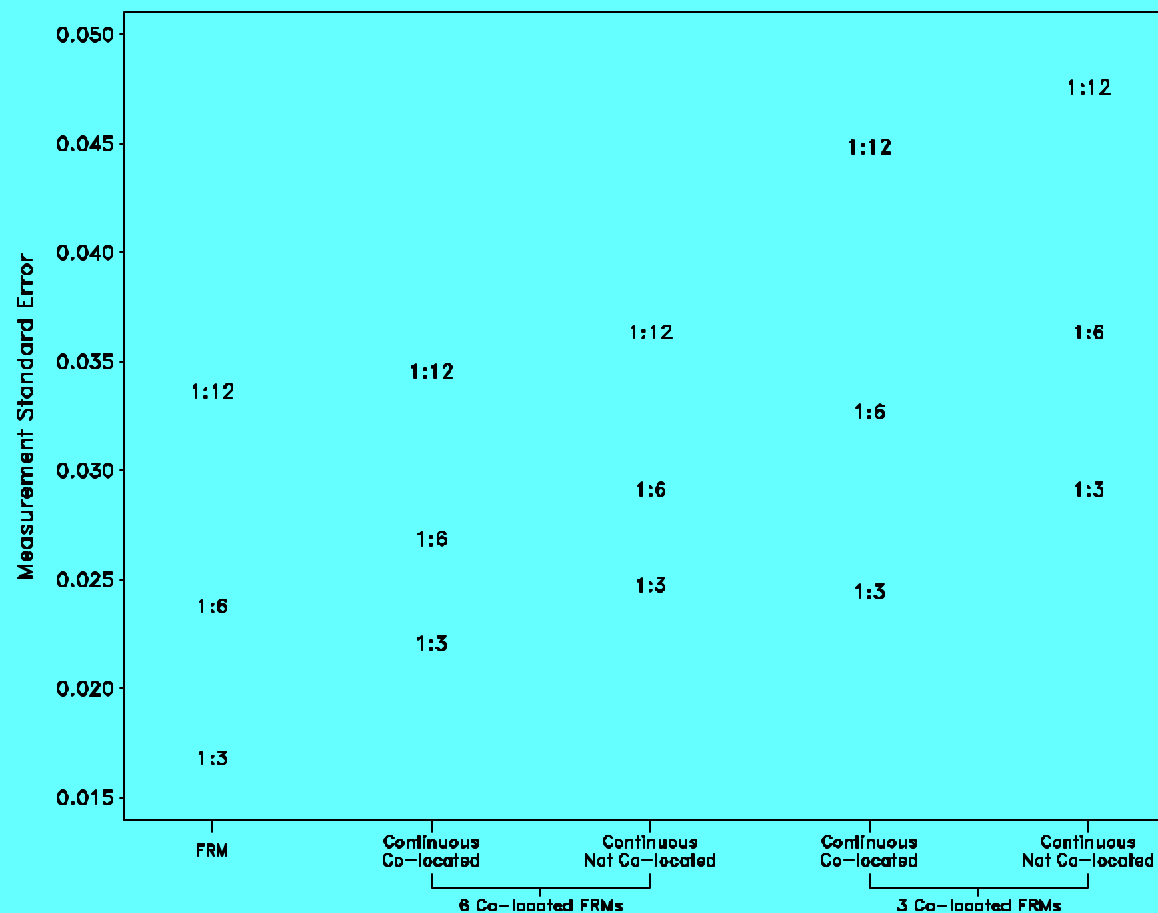
- n Fit mixed model to daily co-located FRM, TEOM data
- n Yields Estimates:
  - $\mu = -0.474$ ,  $\sigma = 1.182$
  - $\sigma_C^2$  (unadjusted) = 0.011
  - $\beta^2 \sigma_C^2$  (bias adjusted,  $\sigma$  known) = 0.015 (se **8**18%)
  - $(\sigma_b^2 + \beta^2) \sigma_C^2$  (bias adjusted,  $\sigma$  unknown) = 0.016 (se **8**22%)
  - $(\sigma_b^2 + \beta^2) \sigma_C^2$  (bias adjusted,  $\sigma$  unknown, site-to-site variation) = 0.024 (se **8**48%)



# Results – Bias Correction (continued)



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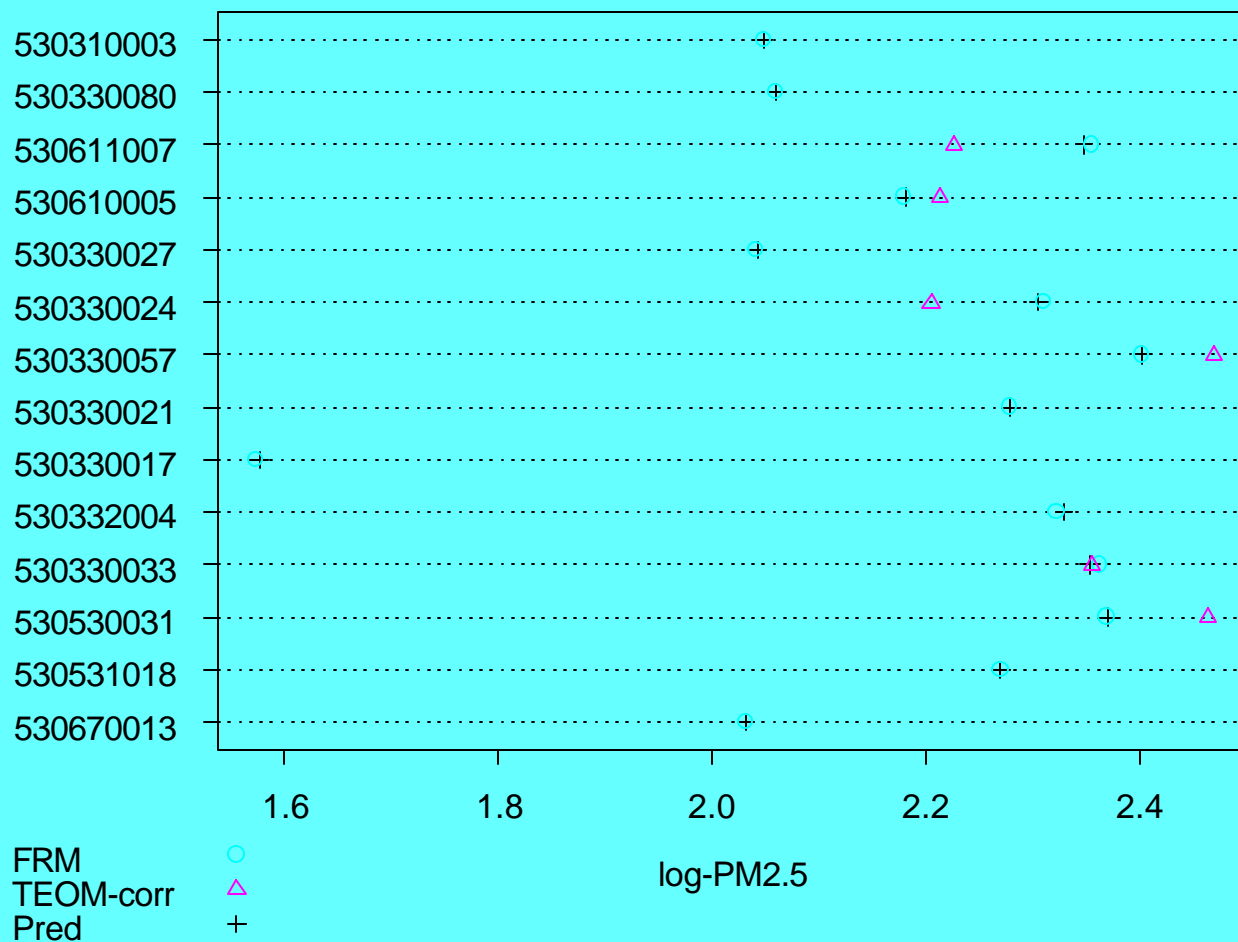


# Results – FRMs and TEOMs

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- n See results from FRM-only model (virtually identical)
- n Why is that ?
  - Propagation of error (good !)
  - Continuous versus FRM sample sizes (not representative)

# Results – FRMs and TEOMs (continued)

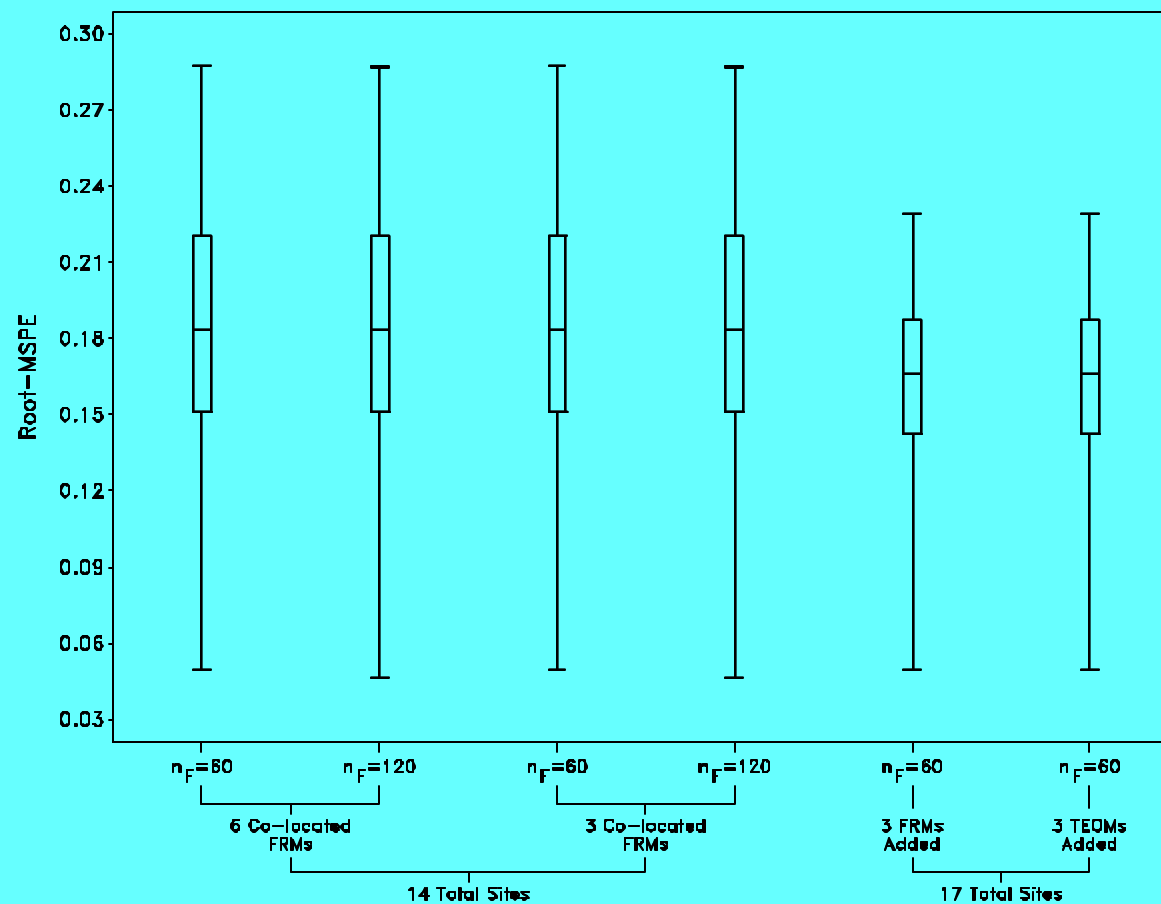


# Results – Alternative Designs

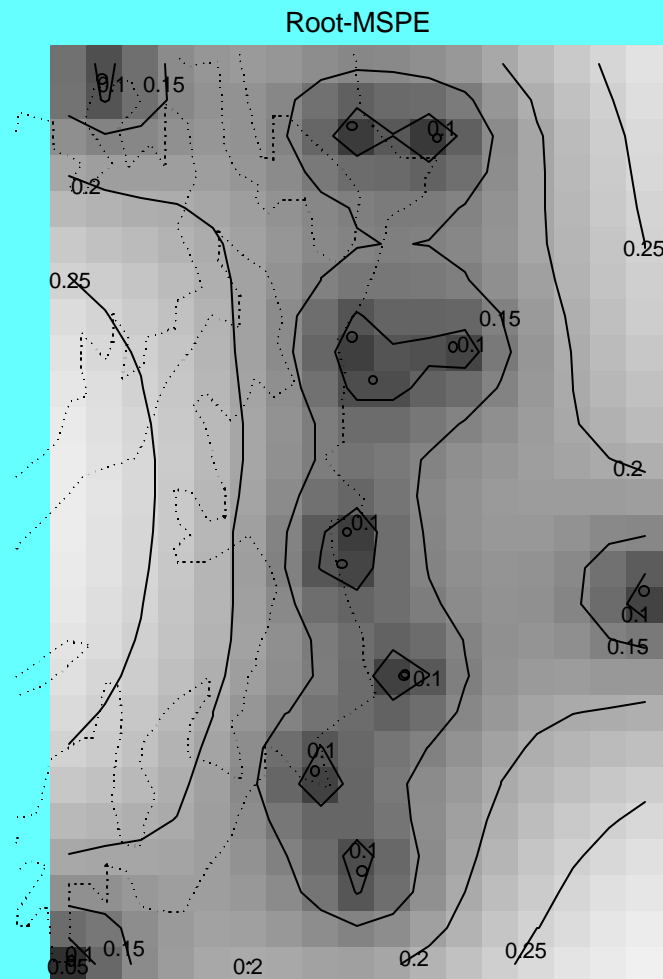
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- n Current network of 14 FRMs with 6 co-located TEOMs
  - $n_F = 60$  (1:6),  $n_C = 360$  **6** 14 total sites
  - $n_F = 120$  (1:3),  $n_C = 360$  **6** 14 total sites
  
- n Remove 3 of the co-located FRMs
  - $n_F = 60$  (1:6),  $n_C = 360$  **6** 14 total sites
  - $n_F = 120$  (1:3),  $n_C = 360$  **6** 14 total sites
  
- n Add 3 new monitoring sites
  - 3 FRMs,  $n_F = 60$  (1:6),  $n_C = 360$  **6** 17 total sites
  - 3 TEOMs,  $n_F = 60$  (1:6),  $n_C = 360$  **6** 17 total sites

# Alternative Designs (continued)

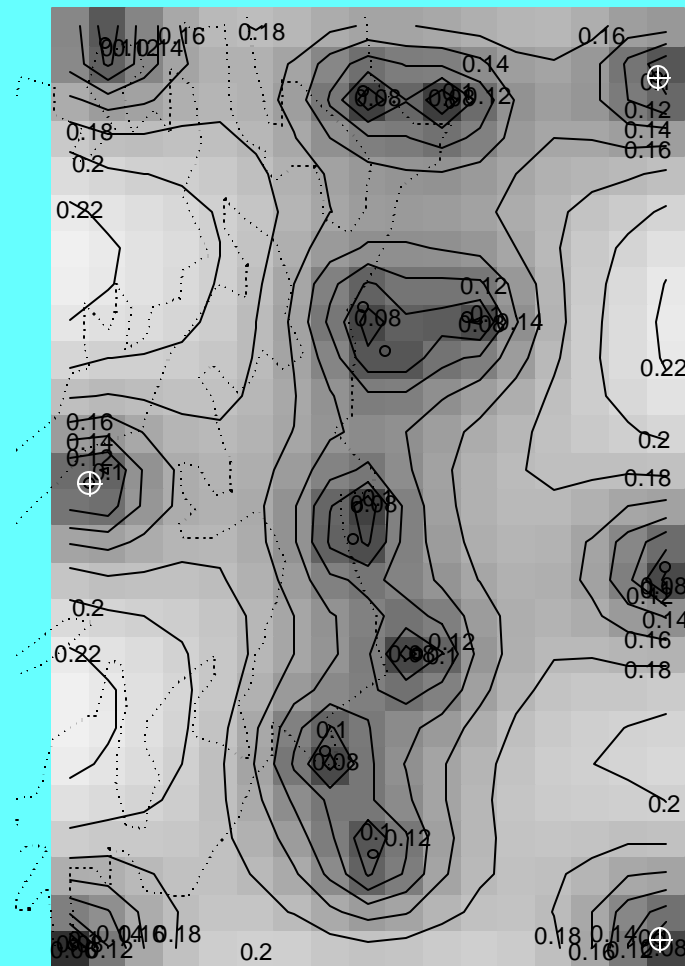


# Alternative Designs (continued)



Root-MSPE for 14 sites

# Alternative Designs (continued)



Root-MSPE for 17 sites



# Wrap-Up

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- n The machine is built.
- n Tweaks to consider:
  - Approach to parameter estimation
  - Network of multiple continuous types
- n Scenarios to explore:
  - Many network alternatives
  - Numerous sensitivity analyses
  - Quarterly average time scale
  - Cost implications
  - Areas other than Puget Sound