Subject: EOF analysis of large data with NAN's Posted by anil on Sat, 12 Apr 2014 23:19:16 GMT

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Hi,

I am trying to conduct Empirical Orthogonal Function analysis on satellite data, which is highly covered by clouds. I tried to follow:

https://www.idlcoyote.com/code_tips/eof_analysis.html

but it seems I am doing something wrong.

I have temperature data (Avhrr- Satellite sea surface temperature) from 1981-2009, which is monthly. My space grid is 346X138.

So I do have 340 months, 346 longitudes and 138 latitudes, which makes a large array of 340x47748. Plus the data is highly invaded with not a number values.

Therefore I can not calculate the Covariance matrix using the ## operator. I get an error saying: Unable to allocate memory: to make array.

Cannot allocate memory

So what I try to make a 47748x47748 operation which does not work (this is normal I guess:)). When I use the # operator only, it calculates a covariance matrix (I think it does a 340x340 this time). Then when I try to do:

LA_SVD, matrix, W, U, V

Then I get:

Loaded DLM: LAPACK.

% LA_SVD: Routine did not converge, STATUS=20.

I read about EOF analysis, but I could not figure out how to carry it out on a 340(time)x47748(space) dataset. Could it be NaN's that cause the problem? They are assigned to a certain value and set as Nan's in my code.

Could anyone please tell me what I am doing wrong?

Best, Anil