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THE EFFECT OF SAMPLE SIZE ON BIVARIATE RAINFALL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS OF EXTREME PRECIPITATION

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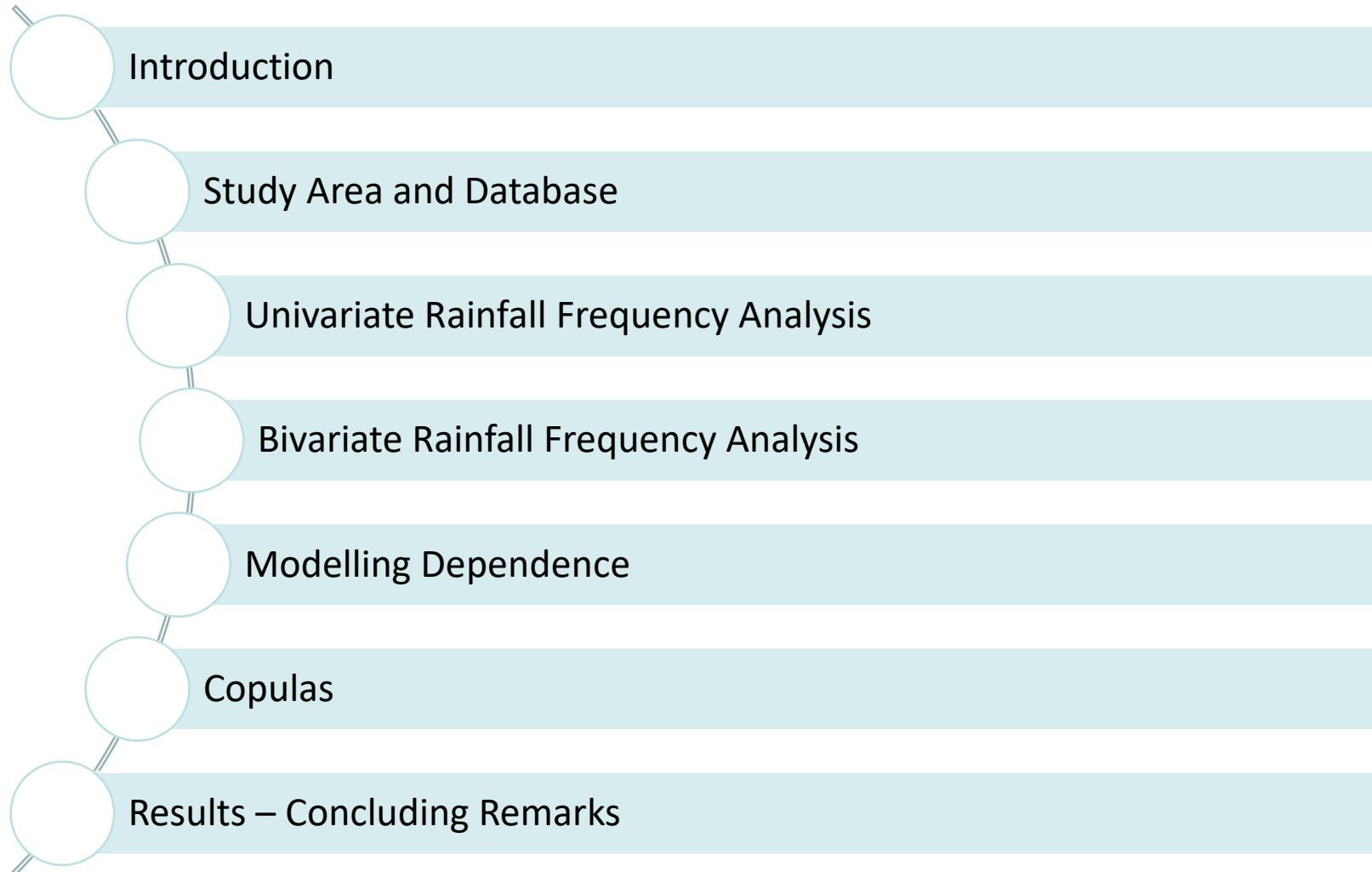
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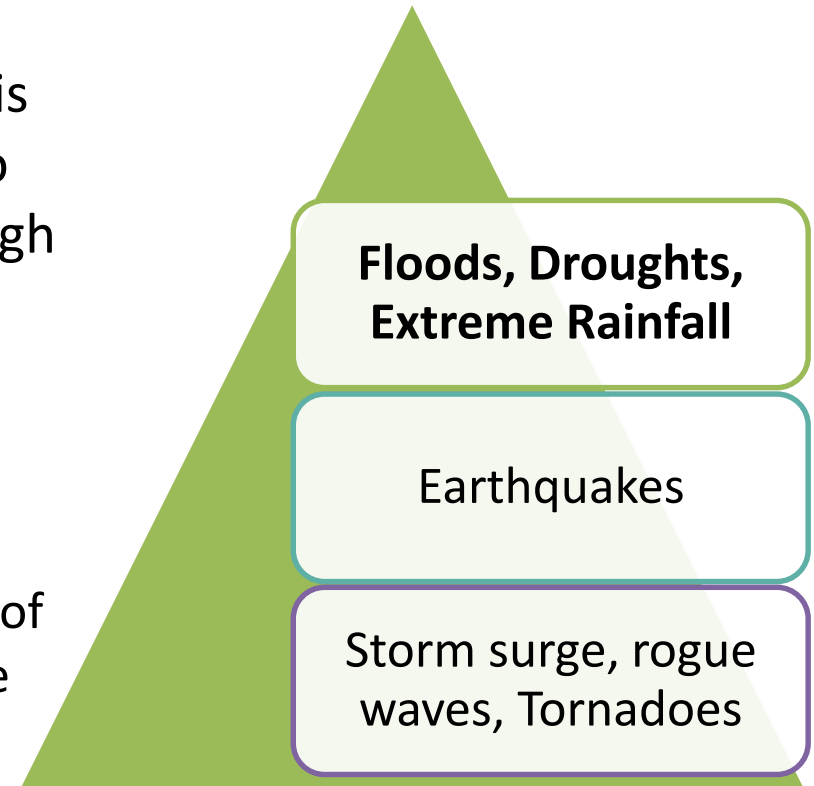
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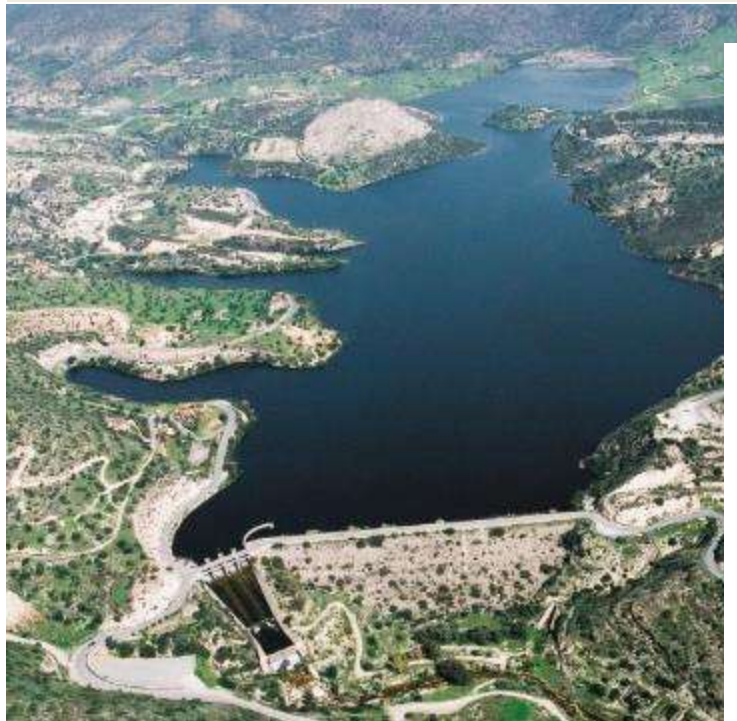
HYDROLOGICAL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

The objective of frequency analysis is to relate the magnitude of events to their frequency of occurrence through probability distributions.



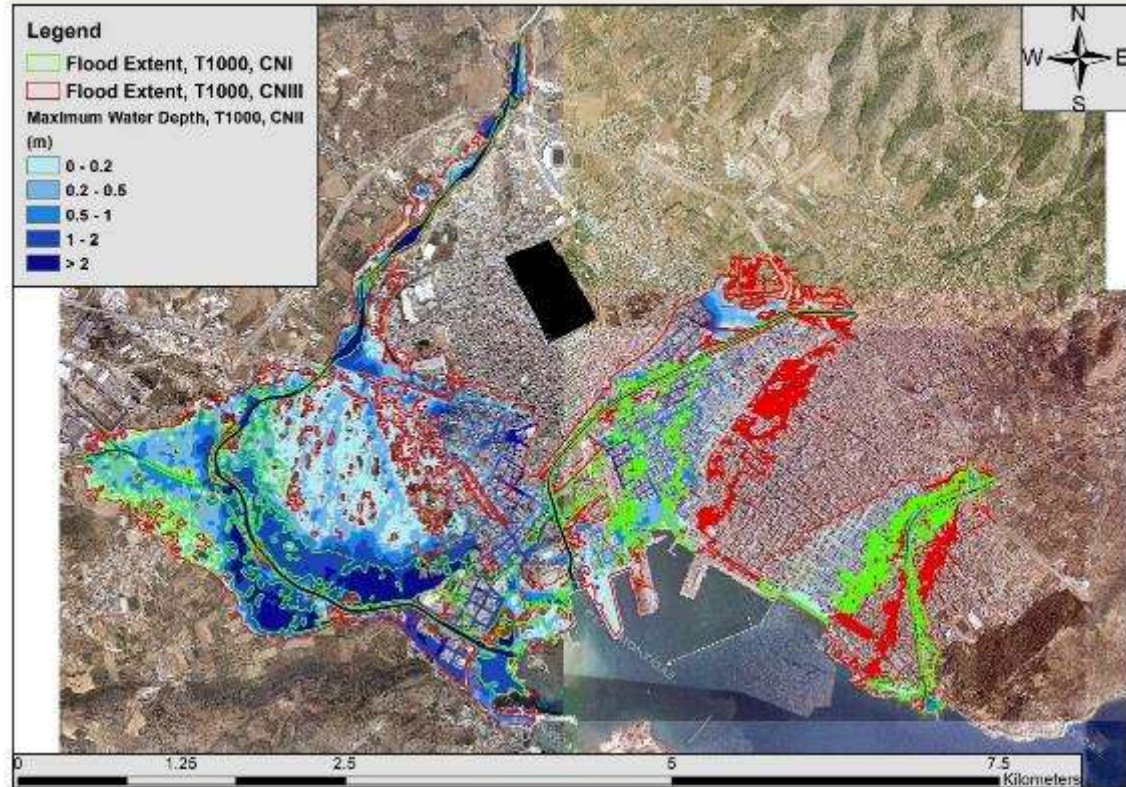
DESIGN FLOOD HYDROLOGICAL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

**Dam Design values:
Yermasoyia Dam**



Flood risk map:

**Flood extent and water depths of return period
 $T = 1000$ years for Volos city, Greece**





RAINFALL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

❑ Objective: Multivariate approach on RFA using copulas

❑ Design variables of the hydraulic structures

■ Rainfall frequency estimation in a multivariate framework

❑ Dependence of rainfall characteristics

- peak rainfall
- Volume of extreme rainfall
- Storm duration

$$T(u|v) = \mu \frac{1-v}{1-u-v+C(u,v)} \text{ and}$$

$$T(v|u) = \mu \frac{1-u}{1-u-v+C(u,v)}$$

■ Design of copulas for various hydrologic (-meteorological) applications (variables)

■ Calculation and comparison of univariate and joint bivariate return periods

❑ Conditional return period

❑ Joint **OR** and **AND** return periods

Rainfall peak and storm duration:

$$T_{u,v}^{OR} = \frac{\mu}{1-C_{u,v}(u,v)}$$

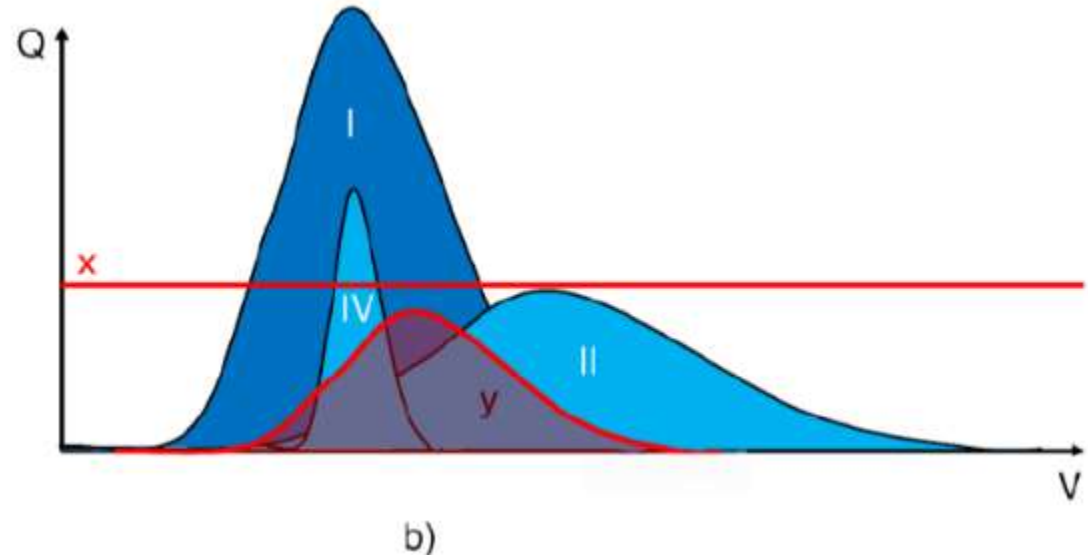
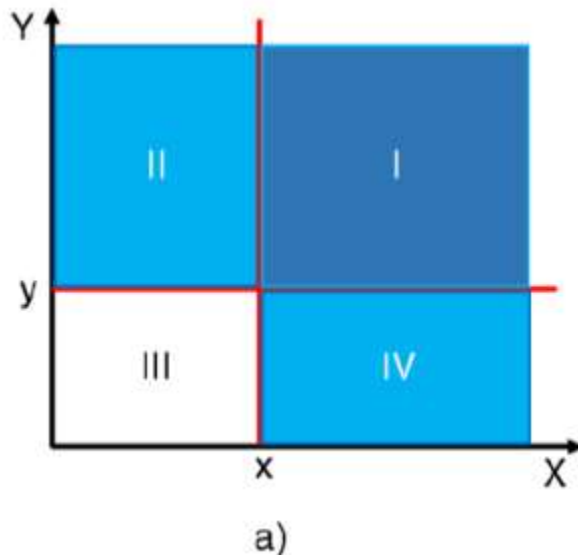
either peak and duration exceed their threshold (**cooperative risk**)

$$T_{u,v}^{AND} = \frac{\mu}{1-u-v+C_{u,v}(u,v)}$$

both peak and duration exceed their threshold simultaneously (**dual risk**)

BIVARIATE RAINFALL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

Illustration of joint probabilities
 (from Brunner et al., 2016)



Quadrant I: $\Pr [X > x, Y > y] = 1 - F_X(x) - F_Y(y) + F_{XY}(x, y) = S_{XY}(x, y)$

Quadrant II: $\Pr [X \leq x, Y > y]$

Quadrant III : $\Pr [X \leq x, Y \leq y] = F_{XY}(x, y)$

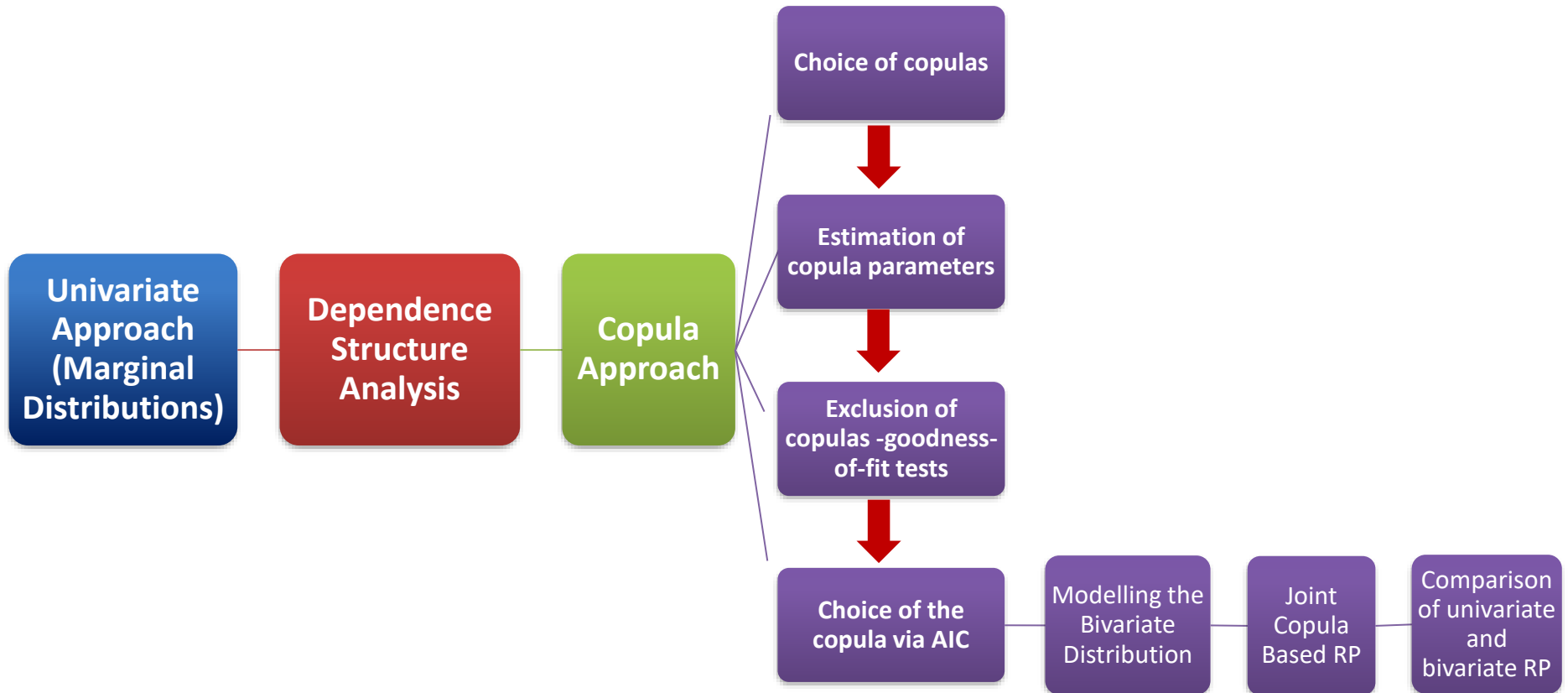
Quadrant IV : $\Pr [X > x, Y \leq y]$

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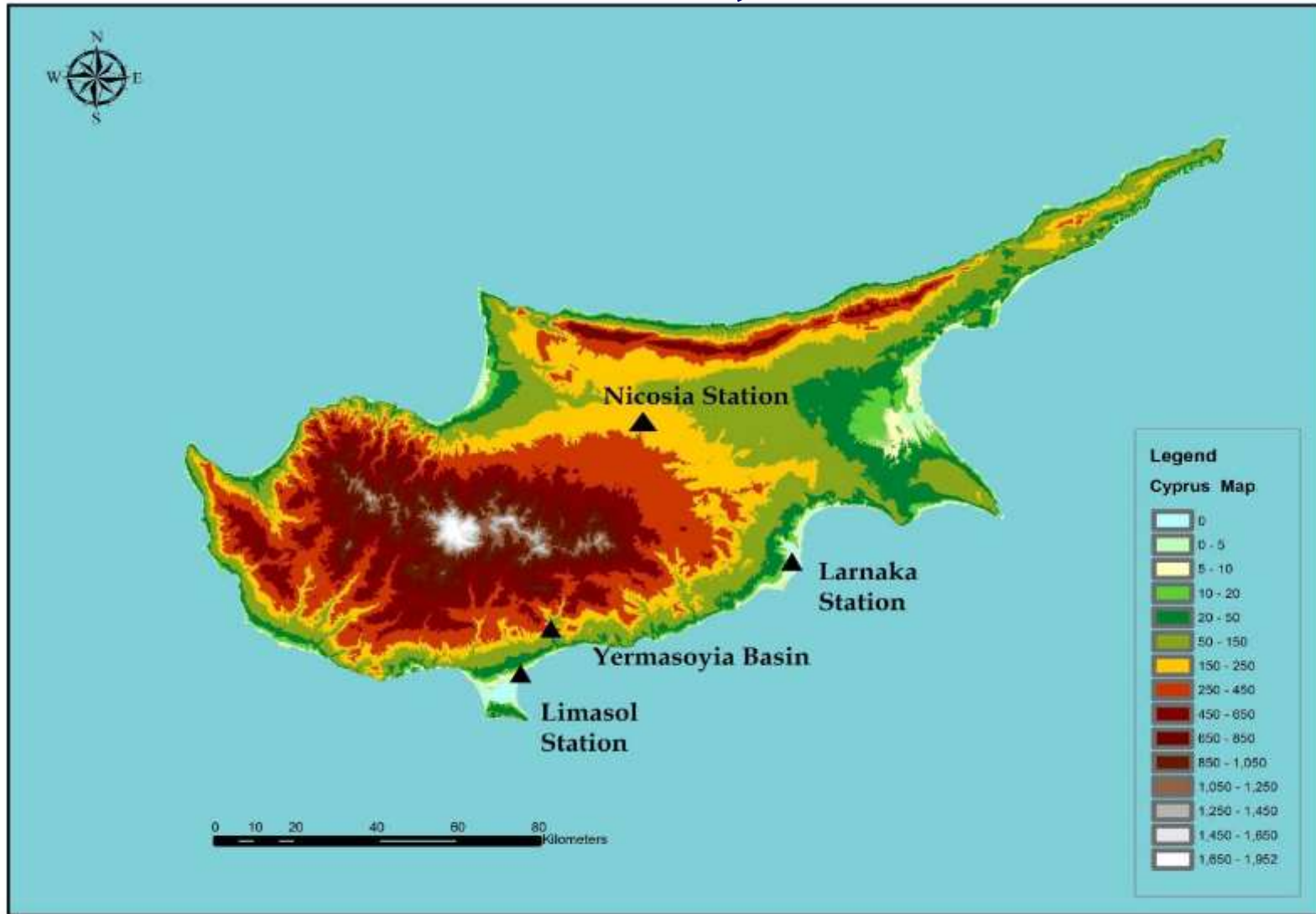
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FLOW DIAGRAM OF THE METHOD





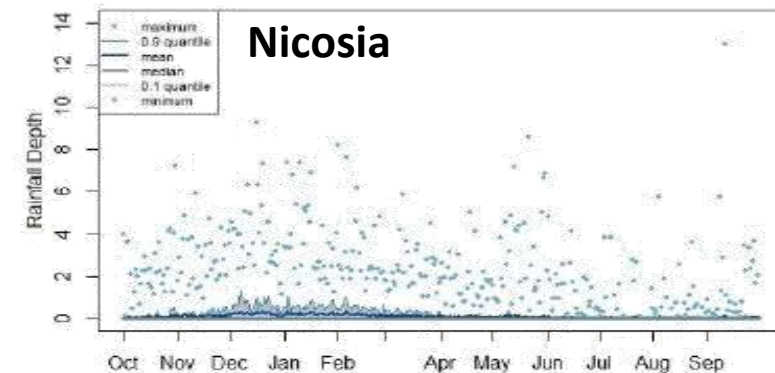
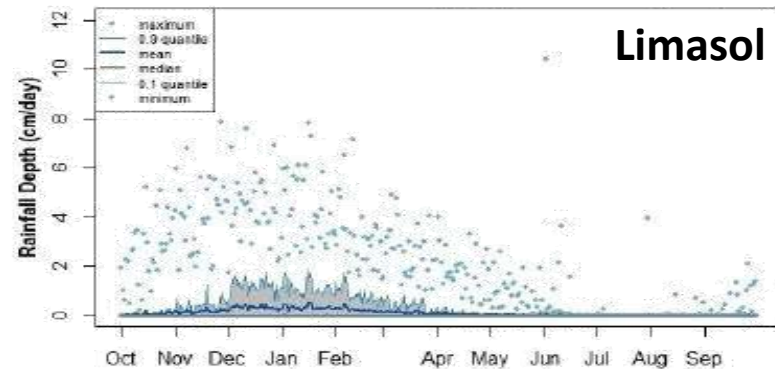
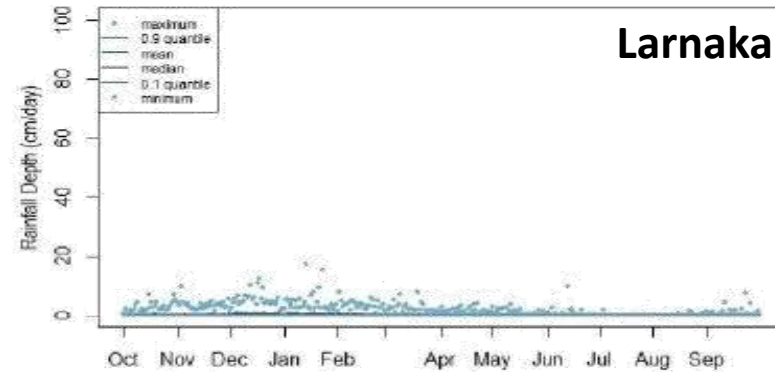
LOCATION OF METEOROLOGICAL STATIONS, CYPRUS





RAINFALL DATA, CYPRUS

- **Three Meteorological Stations** (Larnaka, Limassol and Nicosia)
 - 90 year daily rainfall data
 - **Historical period:** 1920 - 2100
 - **Rainfall Depth** (in cm) and **Rainfall Duration** (in days) were extracted.
 - **Annual Maxima Series** for both variables





UNIVARIATE RAINFALL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

Determination of marginal distributions

Station	RETURN LEVEL							
Larnaka	2	5	10	25	50	100	200	500
Depth (cm)	8.05	11.73	15.60	22.57	30.24	40.21	53.47	77.94
Duration (days)	5.17	6.90	8.16	9.74	10.95	12.09	13.20	14.61
Station	RETURN LEVEL							
Limassol	2	5	10	25	50	100	200	500
Depth (cm)	10.14	13.07	15.17	17.74	19.66	21.45	23.15	25.27
Duration (days)	5.17	6.90	8.16	9.74	10.95	12.09	13.20	14.61
Station	RETURN LEVEL							
Nicosia	2	5	10	25	50	100	200	500
Depth (cm)	6.98	9.14	10.83	13.14	14.90	16.72	18.60	21.15
Duration (days)	1.26	2.07	2.61	3.27	3.75	4.21	4.66	5.25

→ GEV

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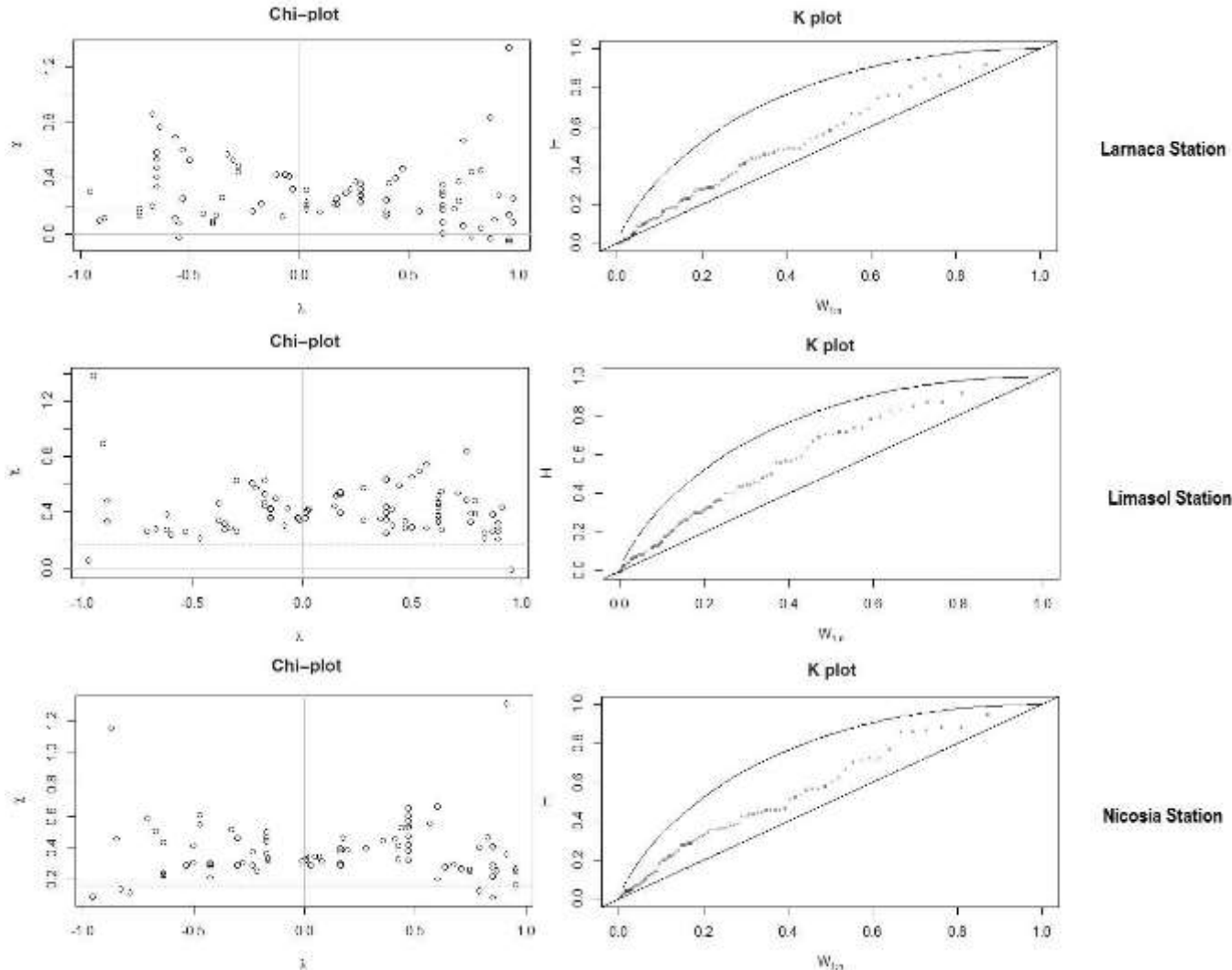
→ Gamma
→ GEV

- **GEV** distribution was the optimal probability model for both rainfall depth and duration for **Larnaka** and **Limassol** Stations.
- For **Nicosia** Station, **Gamma** distribution had a better fit for rainfall depth and **GEV** distribution for the hydrograph duration respectively.
- Finally, with the help of the marginal distributions, the **univariate return periods** are estimated for design return periods



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Dependence: Use of Chi and K plots

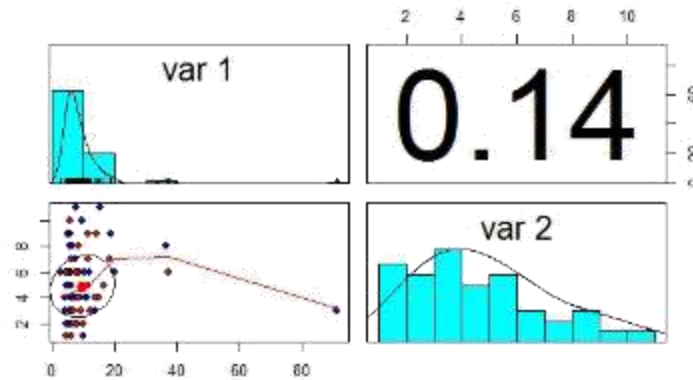




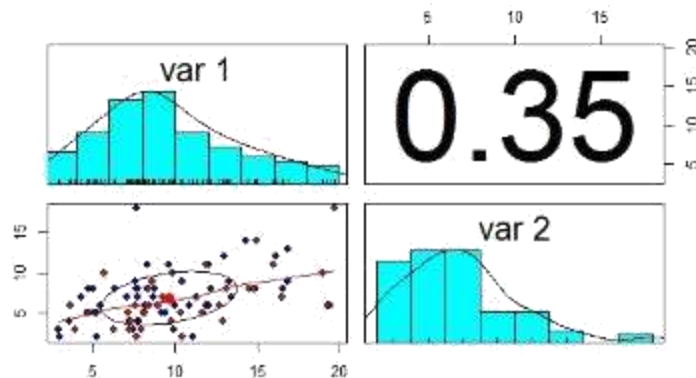
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Dependence: Use of Kendall's tau coefficient

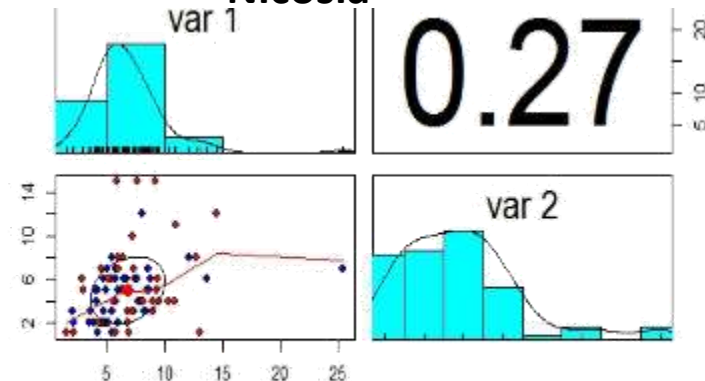
Larnaka



Limasol



Nicosia





BIVARIATE RAINFALL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

Fitting of a copula model

- Copulas from Archimedean, Elliptical and Extreme Value families are fitted using a pseudo-likelihood estimation method
 - Evaluation procedure
 - Graphical approaches and a goodness-of-fit test based on the Cramér von Mises statistic
 - AICc

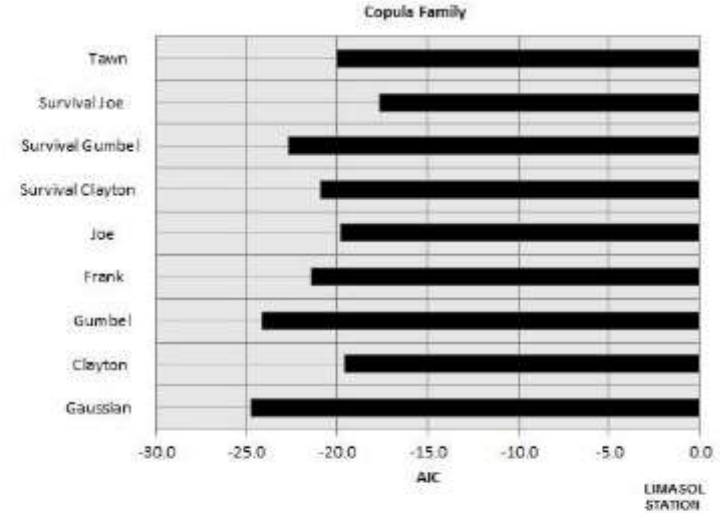
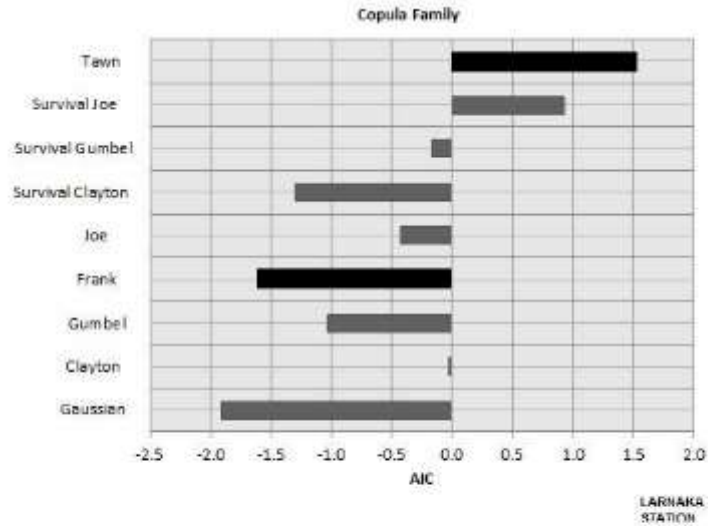
Copula	$C_\theta(u,v)$	$\theta \in$
Archimedean Copulas		
Gumbel	$\exp\{-((-\ln u)^\theta + (-\ln v)^\theta)^{1/\theta}\}$	$[1, \infty)$
Clayton	$\{u^{-\theta} + v^{-\theta} - 1\}^{-1/\theta}$	$[-1, \infty) \setminus \{0\}$
Frank	$-\frac{1}{\theta} \ln \left\{ 1 + \frac{(e^{-\theta u} - 1)(e^{-\theta v} - 1)}{e^{-\theta} - 1} \right\}$	$(-\infty, \infty) \setminus \{0\}$
Joe	$1 - \{(1-u)^\theta + (1-v)^\theta - (1-u)^\theta(1-v)^\theta\}^{1/\theta}$	$[1, \infty)$
Extreme Value Copulas		
Gumbel	$\exp\{-((-\ln u)^\theta + (-\ln v)^\theta)^{1/\theta}\}$	$[1, \infty)$
Tawn	$uv \exp\left[-\frac{\theta \ln u \ln v}{\ln(uv)}\right]$	$[0, 1]$
Meta-elliptical Copulas		
Normal	$\int_{-\infty}^{\Phi^{-1}(u)} \int_{-\infty}^{\Phi^{-1}(v)} \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\theta^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{s^2 - 2\theta st + t^2}{2(1-\theta^2)}\right\} ds dt$	$[-1, 1]$
Student-t	$\int_{-\infty}^{\zeta^{-1}(u)} \int_{-\infty}^{\zeta^{-1}(v)} \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\theta^2}} \left\{ 1 + \frac{s^2 - 2\theta st + t^2}{v(1-\theta^2)} \right\}^{-\frac{\nu+2}{2}} ds dt$	$[-1, 1]$



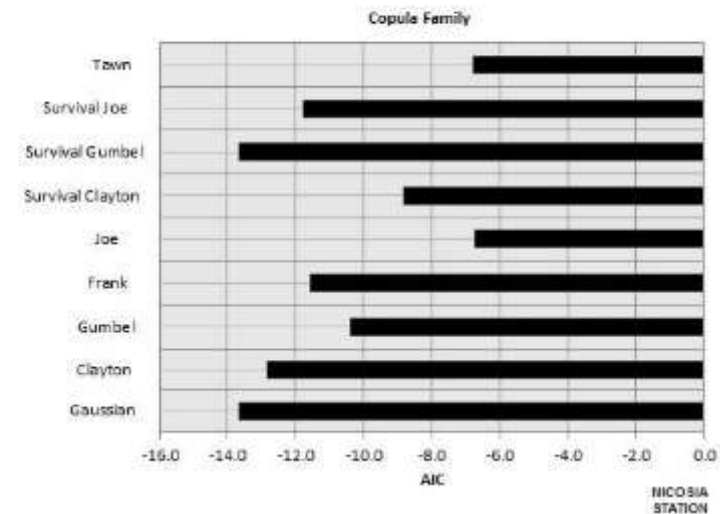


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Fitting of a copula model



***AIC values and accepted copulas
for the three rainfall stations***

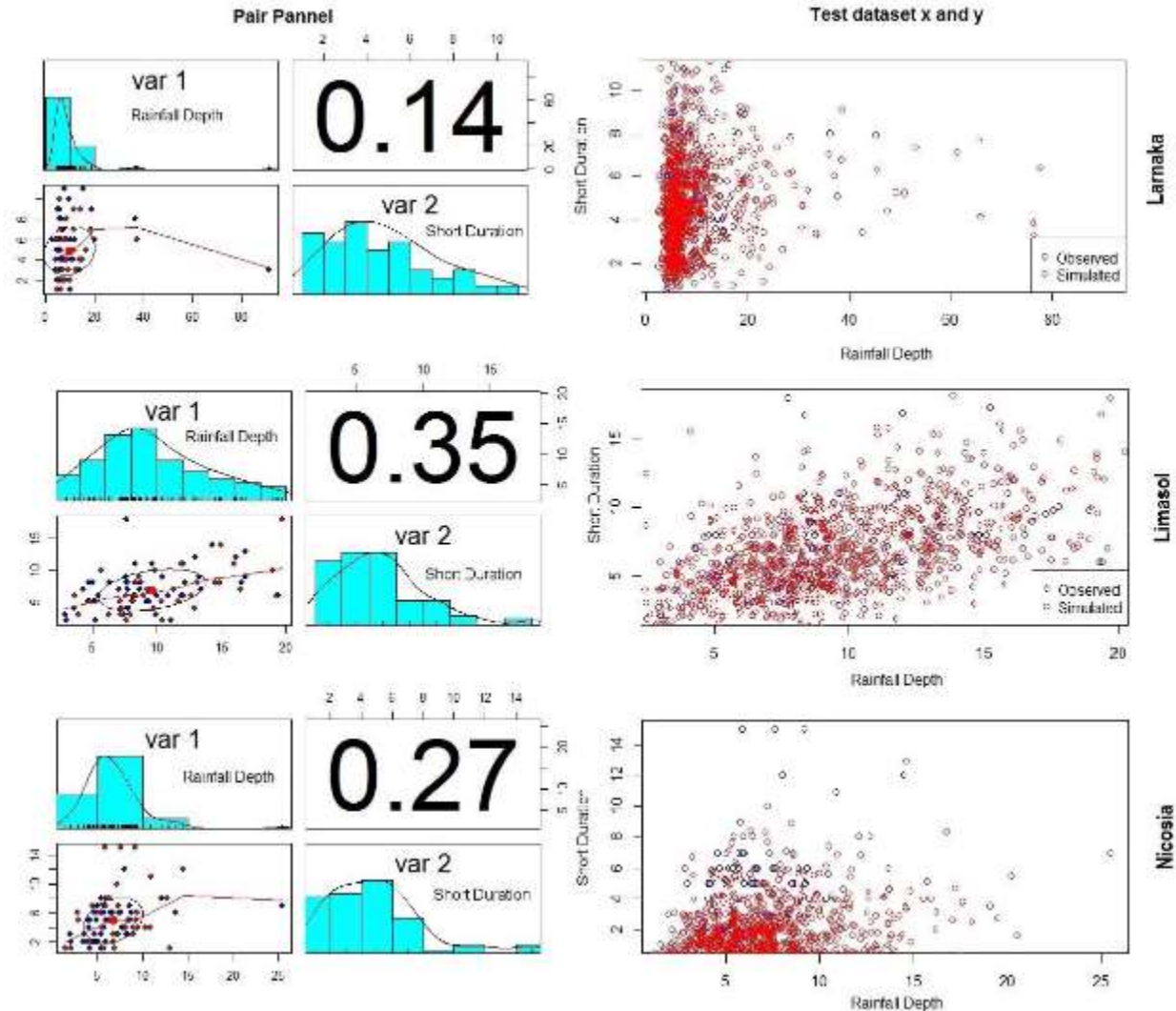


Accepted Copula
Rejected Copula



BIVARIATE RAINFALL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

Modelling dependence and fitting of copulas



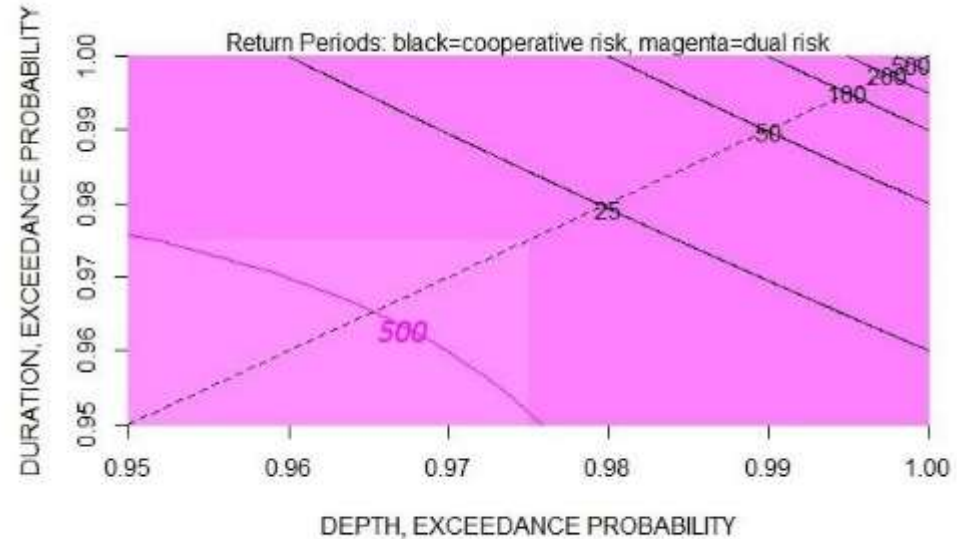
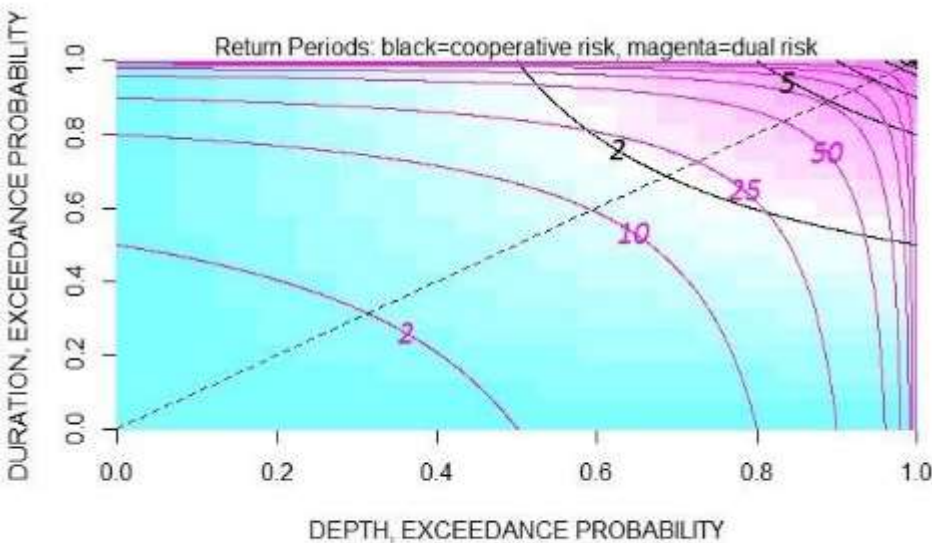


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Results: AMS Joint Return Periods

$$T^{OR} < T^{UNI} < T^{AND}$$

Station Larnaka	RETURN LEVEL								
	2	5	10	25	50	100	200	500	
Depth (cm)/ dual	5.33	6.69	7.36	7.88	8.10	8.21	8.27	8.30	
Depth (cm)/ cooperative	8.55	13.75	18.80	27.85	37.22	49.66	66.09	78.07	
Duration (d)/ dual	3.80	5.75	7.03	8.65	9.84	11.00	12.14	13.59	
Duration (d)/ cooperative	6.03	8.25	9.62	11.25	12.41	13.52	14.59	24.44	





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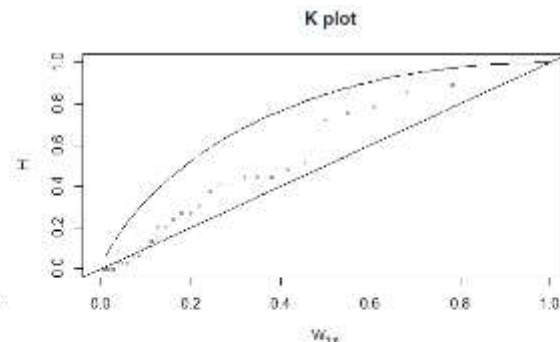
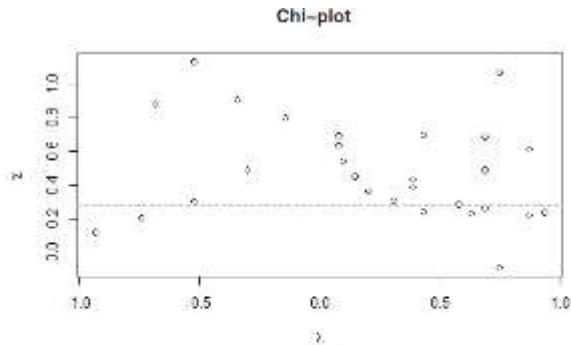
Effect of Sample Size: Larnaca Station

	1st Data Sample	2nd Data Sample	3rd Data Sample	4th Data Sample
Station	LARNACA	LARNACA	LARNACA	LARNACA
Years	1920-2010	1920-1950	1950-1980	1980-2010
Length (In Years)	90	30	30	30
Number Of Events	90	30	30	30
Kendall's tau	0.14	0.17	0.15	0.14
RAINFALL DEPTH VARIABLE				
Sampling Method	AMS	AMS	AMS	AMS
Marginal Distribution	GEV	GEV	GEV	GEV
Distribution Parameters (μ, σ, ξ)	6.06, 2.49, 0.41	6.67, 2.79, 0.50	5.82, 1.74, 0.32	5.66, 2.65, 0.51
Kolmogorov smirnov Test($p>0.05$)	0.9888	0.9991	0.9897	0.8259
RAINFALL DURATION VARIABLE				
Sampling Method	Corresponding value	Corresponding value	Corresponding value	Corresponding value
Marginal Distribution	GEV	GEV	GEV	GEV
Distribution Parameters (μ, σ, ξ)	3.82, 1.98, -0.04	3.91, 1.90, -0.08	4.38, 2.31, -0.14	3.30, 1.68, 0.05
Kolmogorov smirnov Test(>0.05)	0.2240	0.6968	0.6647	0.7534
Copula Model	Frank, (par=1.22,tau=0.13)	Survival Clayton (par = 0.50, tau = 0.20)	Joe (par = 1.40, tau =0.18)	Clayton (par=0.46,tau=0.19)
Von Mises (bootstrap)($p>0.05$)	0.1200	0.5589	0.2000	0.1111

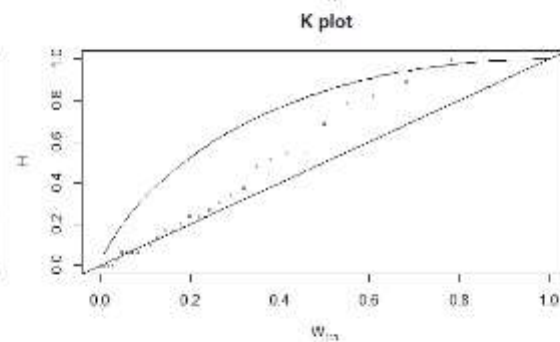
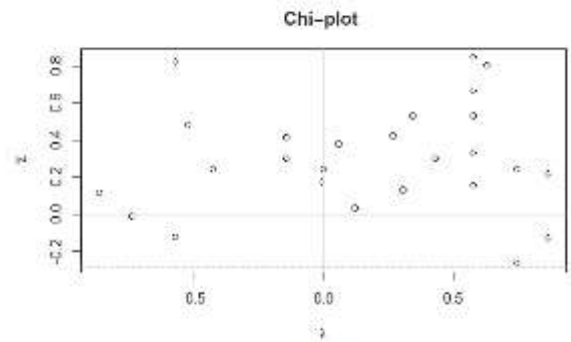


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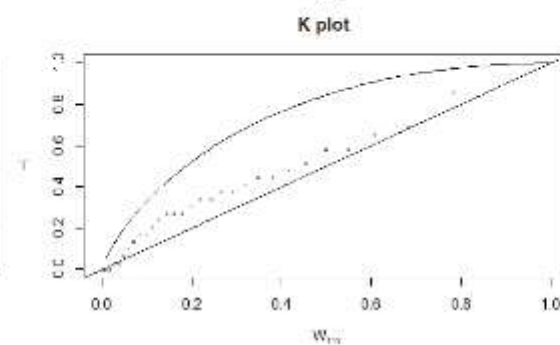
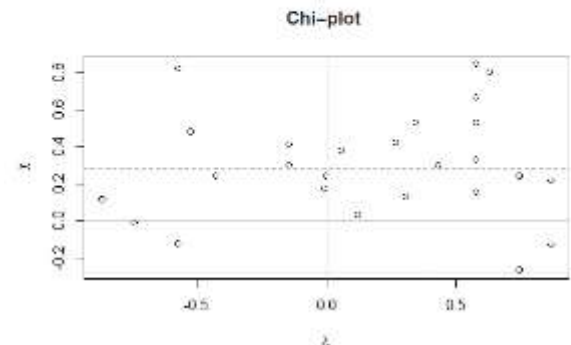
Effect of Sample Size on Dependence: Larnaca Station



Years: 1920-1950



Larnaca Station
Years: 1950-1980



Years: 1980-2010



BIVARIATE RAINFALL FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

Effect of Sample Size: Limasol Station

	1st Data Sample	2nd Data Sample	3rd Data Sample	4th Data Sample
Station	LIMASOL	LIMASOL	LIMASOL	LIMASOL
Years	1920-2010	1920-1950	1950-1980	1980-2010
Length (In Years)	90	30	30	30
Number Of Events	90	30	30	30
Kendall's tau	0.35	0.33	0.26	0.59
RAINFALL DEPTH VARIABLE				
Sampling Method	AMS	AMS	AMS	AMS
Marginal Distribution	GEV	GEV	GEV	GEV
Distribution Parameters (μ, σ, ξ)	7.79, 3.47, -0.07	8.70, 3.39, -0.19	6.87, 2.82, 0.14	7.74, 3.80, -0.06
Kolmogorov smirnov Test($p > 0.05$)	0.7835	0.9878	0.9412	0.8746
RAINFALL DURATION VARIABLE				
Sampling Method	Corresponding value	Corresponding value	Corresponding value	Corresponding value
Marginal Distribution	GEV	GEV	GEV	GEV
Distribution Parameters (μ, σ, ξ)	5.42, 2.65, -0.02	5.52, 2.89, -0.20	6.12, 2.85, -0.07	4.83, 2.18, 0.10
Kolmogorov smirnov Test($p > 0.05$)	0.4212	0.5704	0.5942	0.6988
Copula Model	Gaussian (par = 0.54, tau = 0.36)	Clayton (para=0.81, tau=0.29)	Frank (para=2.34, tau=0.25)	Gumbell (para=2.63, tau=0.62)
Von Mises (bootstrap) ($p > 0.05$)	0.18	0.4400	0.9700	0.2400



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Effect of Sample Size: Nicosia Station

	1st Data Sample	2nd Data Sample	3rd Data Sample	4th Data Sample
Station	NICOSIA	NICOSIA	NICOSIA	NICOSIA
Years	1920-2010	1920-1950	1950-1980	1980-2010
Length (In Years)	90	30	30	30
Number Of Events	90	30	30	30
Kendall's tau	0.27	0.33	0.19	0.18
RAINFALL DEPTH VARIABLE				
Sampling Method	AMS	AMS	AMS	AMS
Marginal Distribution	GEV	GEV	GEV	GEV
Distribution Parameters (μ, σ, ξ)	5.39, 2.26, 0.04	6.04, 2.54, 0.12	5.09, 2.16, -0.02	5.57, 2.13, -0.44
Kolmogorov smirnov Test($p>0.05$)	0.9071	0.9909	0.8721	0.4083
RAINFALL DURATION VARIABLE				
Sampling Method	Corresponding value	Corresponding value	Corresponding value	Corresponding value
Marginal Distribution	GAMMA	GAMMA	GEV	GEV
Distribution Parameters (μ, σ, ξ)	shape= 2.66,rate= 0.54	shape= 2.68,rate= 0.48	2.81, 1.95, 0.31	3.54, 1.72, 0.06
Kolmogorov smirnov Test(>0.05)	0.1094	0.4000	0.4600	0.5469
Copula Model	Survival Gumbel (par = 1.37, tau = 0.27)	Clayton (para=1.18,tau=0.37)	Joe (para=1.43,tau=0.19)	Survival Joe (par = 1.62, tau = 0.26)
Von Mises (bootstrap) ($p>0.05$)	0.1425	0.1000	0.2000	0.0600



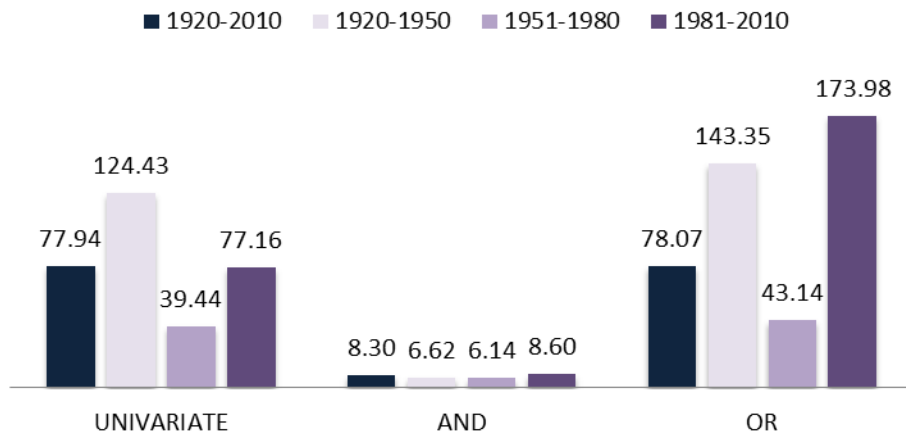
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Effect of Sample Size: Results

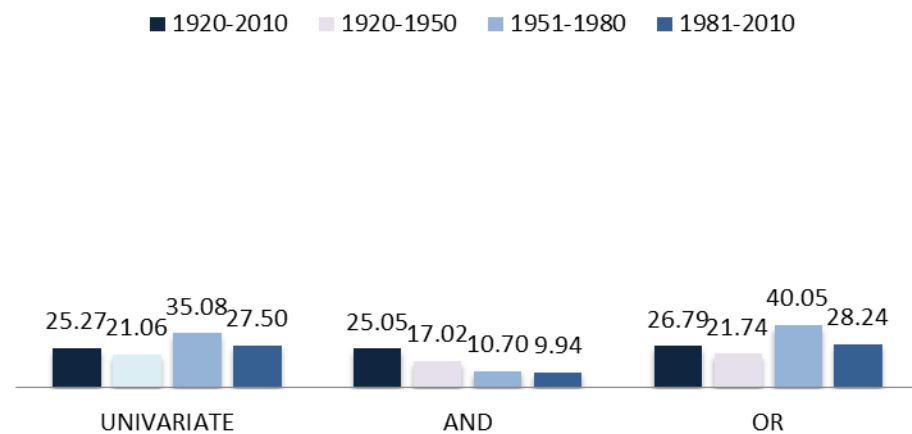
Kendall's tau constant in all applications

Kendall's tau indicated much stronger correlation during the 30 last years

500yrs Return Values for H (cm) -
Larnaka Station



500yrs Return Values for H (cm) -
Limasol Station



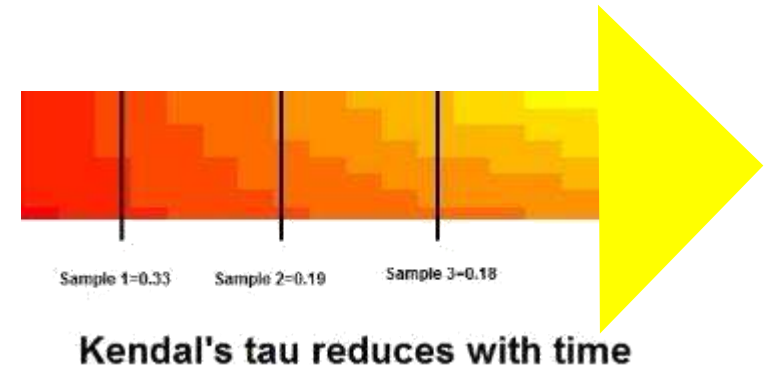
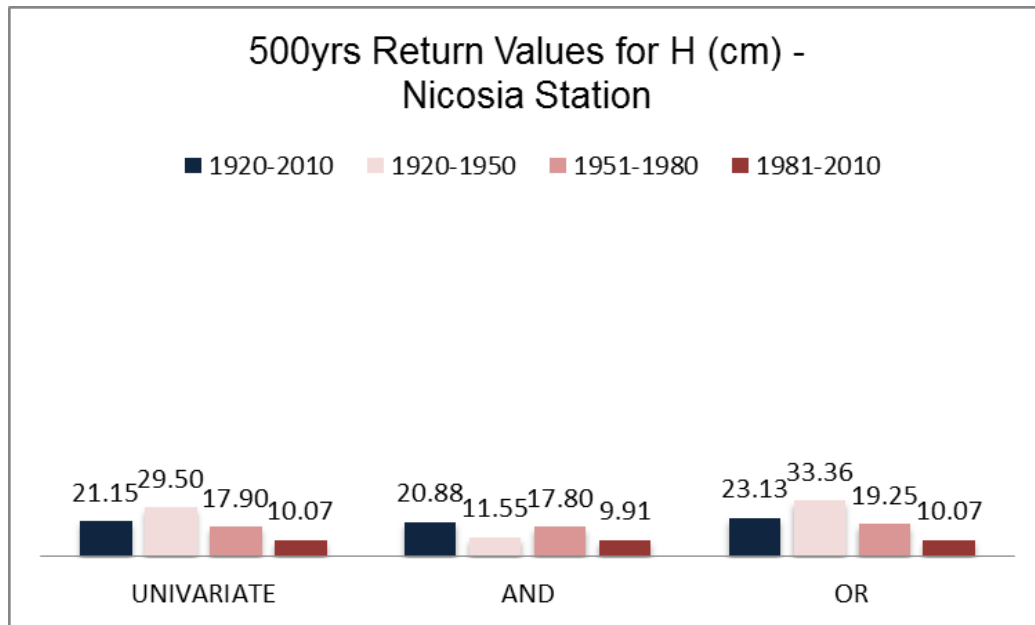
$T^{OR} < T^{UNI} < T^{AND}$ relationship

Significant inconsistencies in AND and OR cases especially in Larnaka Station



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Effect of Sample Size: Results



$T^{OR} < T^{UNI} < T^{AND}$ relationship



CONCLUDING REMARKS

- Results show that **univariate analysis** can't provide a complete assessment of the probability of occurrence of extreme rainfall if two or more dependent variables are significant in the design process
 - **univariate** approaches might lead to an inadequate estimation of the risk associated with a given event
- **Minor dependence** between **rainfall peaks** and **storm duration**
 - **bivariate analysis** could be considered in the estimation of **design values**
- **Sample size** has large impacts on the derived results
 - Further investigation is needed for variable data lengths (small and large samples)
- **Design values** at the study **return periods** are in consensus with Salvadori et al., (2007) following the equation $T^{OR} < T^{UNI} < T^{AND}$

Salvadori G, De Michele C, Kottegoda NT, Rosso R. Extremes in Nature. An Approach Using Copulas, vol. 56. Dordrecht: Springer; 2007, 292 p.



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