



Elaboration of maps for climatic actions in Italy

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Statistical elaboration of Climatic data

- *Statistical elaboration of climatic data (snow, temperature, wind) generally requires:*
 1. *Selection of meteorological stations granting a sufficiently uniform coverage of the Country or of the Region in terms of area (longitude and latitude) as well as of altitude for the examined climatic variable (basic wind speed, weight or height and density of snow cover, maximum and minimum temperature), provided that the measurements are available for a sufficiently long time interval (30-50 years)*



Statistical elaboration of Climatic data

- 2. Definition of the series of annual extreme values for the variable under consideration;*
- 3. Adoption of a suitable extreme value distribution, like Gumbel distribution, GEV distribution, Weibull distribution, 3-parameters log-normal distribution, generalized Pareto distribution, checking a posteriori its aptness to represent the given variable*
- 4. Elaboration of extremes in order to obtain the characteristic value of the climatic variable (2% upper fractile of annual extreme, corresponding to a return period of about 50 y (49.5 y))*

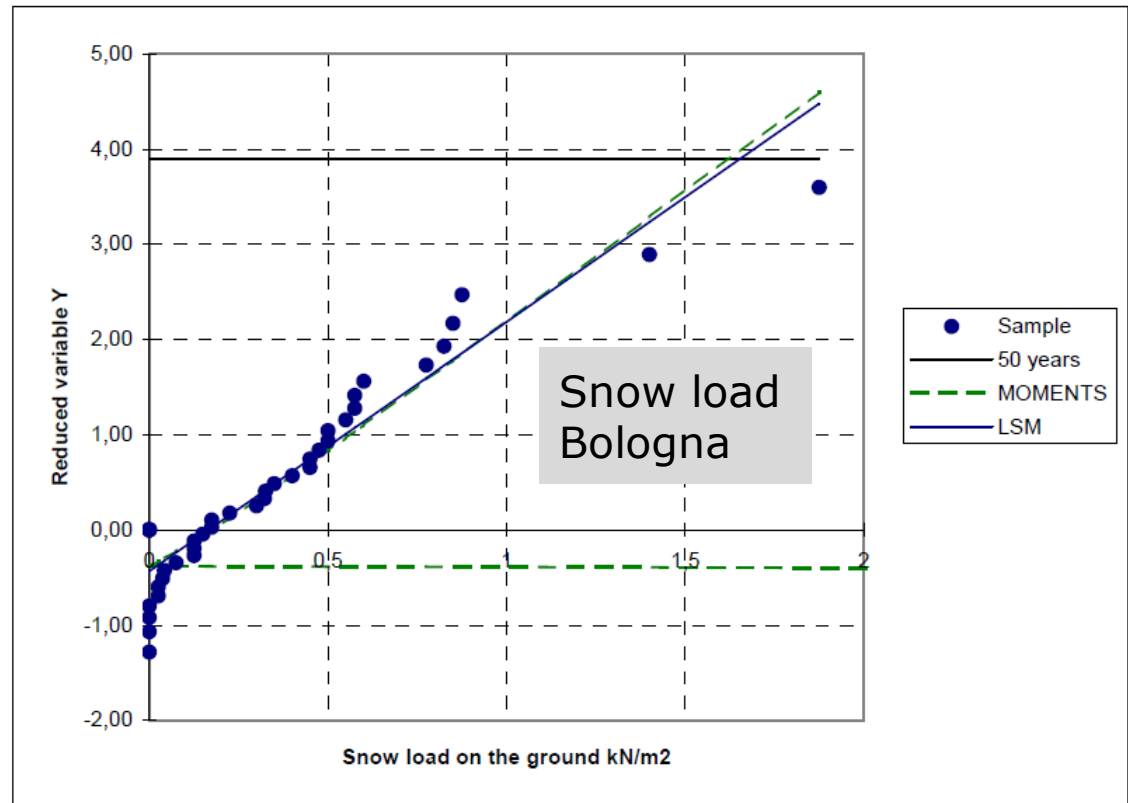


Statistical elaboration of Climatic data

- 5. Definition of climatic maps identifying homogenous climatic areas: each climatic area is characterized by a particular relationship expressing the characteristic value of the climatic variable as function of the altitude of the site;*
- 6. When, like in Italy, the climatic variables are correlated to the altitude, climatic maps can be referred at sea level, modifying the values previously determined at the actual altitude, according to the altitude-characteristic value relationship.*



Statistical elaboration of snow load



COV=0.3 Alpine Region

COV=1.0 Mediterranean Region

50 years characteristic value LSM (Gumbel)

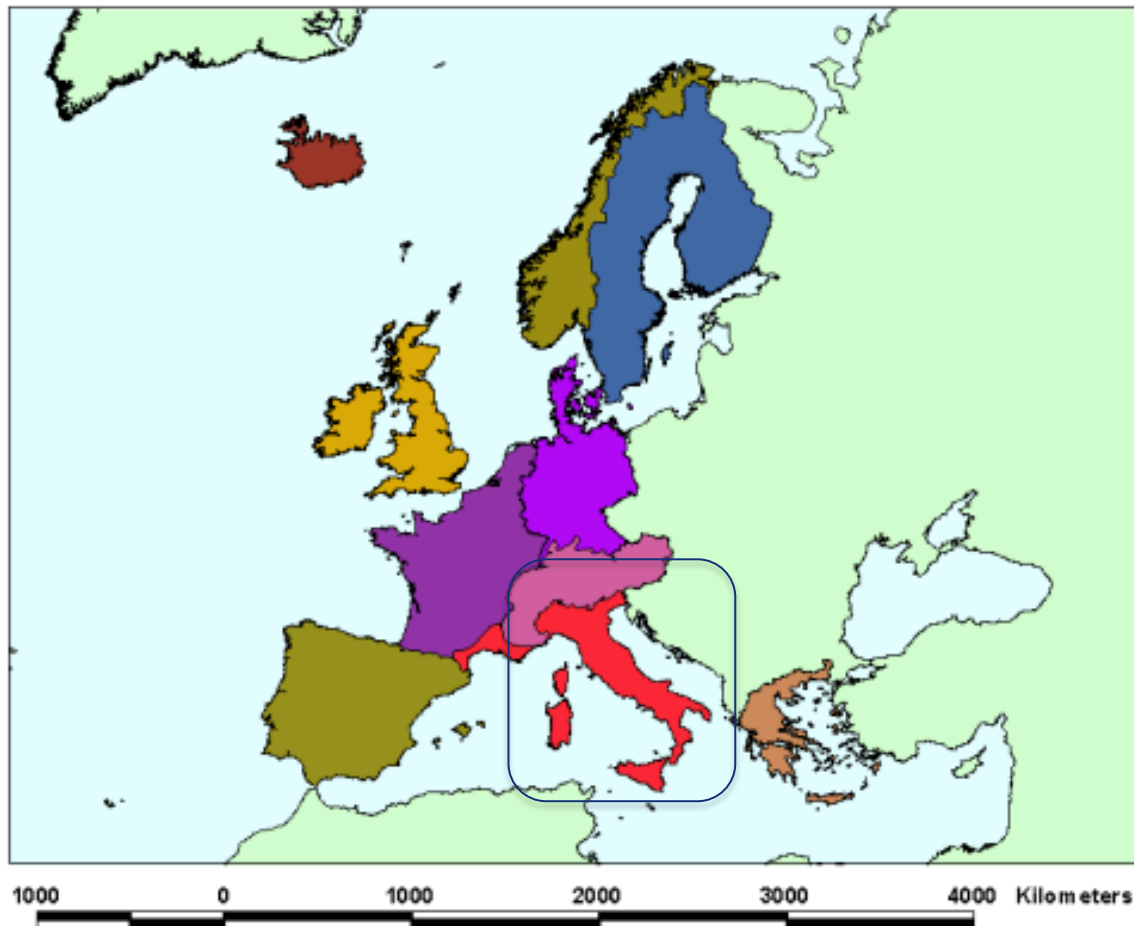
1,66 kN/m²

50 years characteristic value Moments

1,62 kN/m²



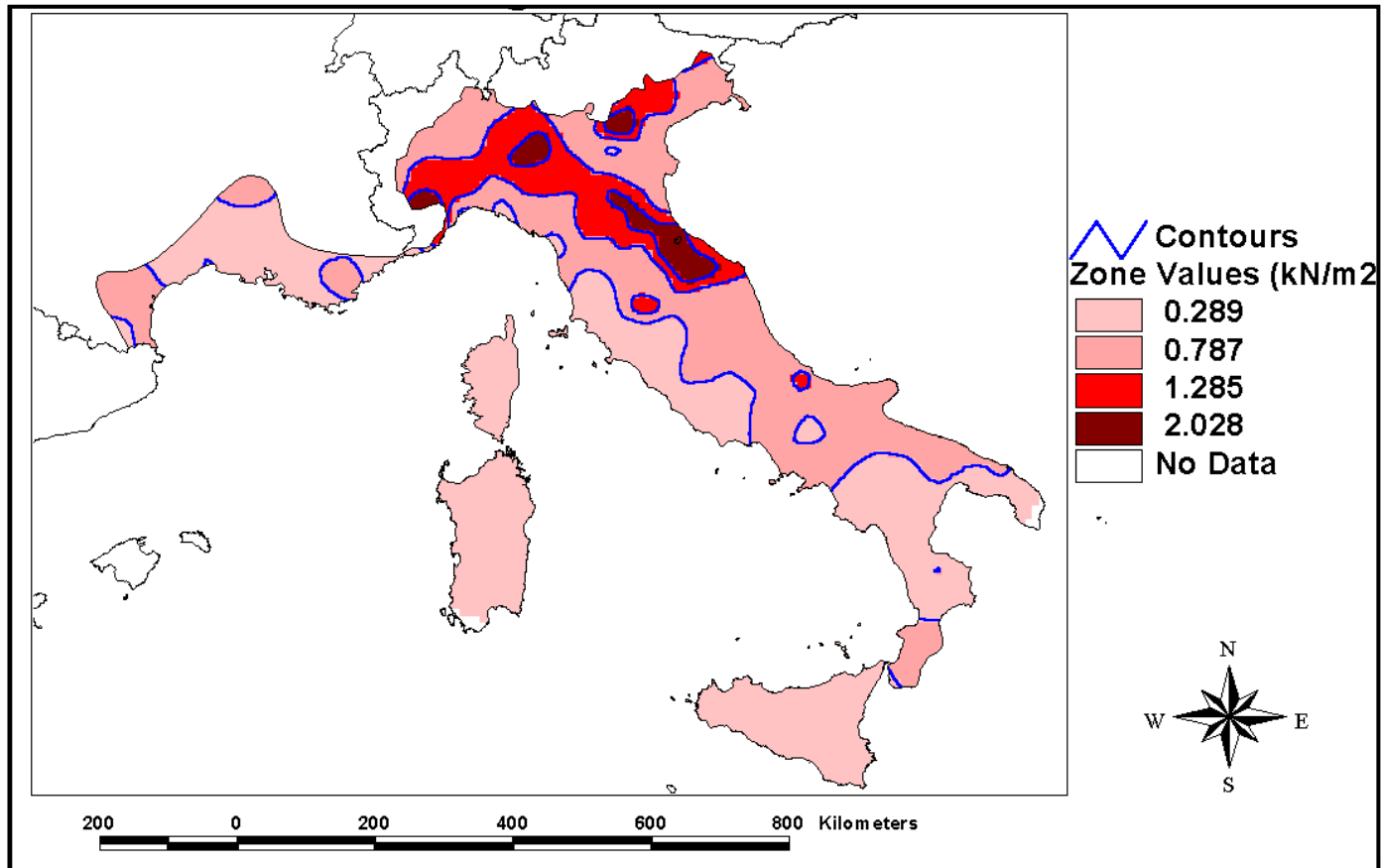
Climatic region for snow loads



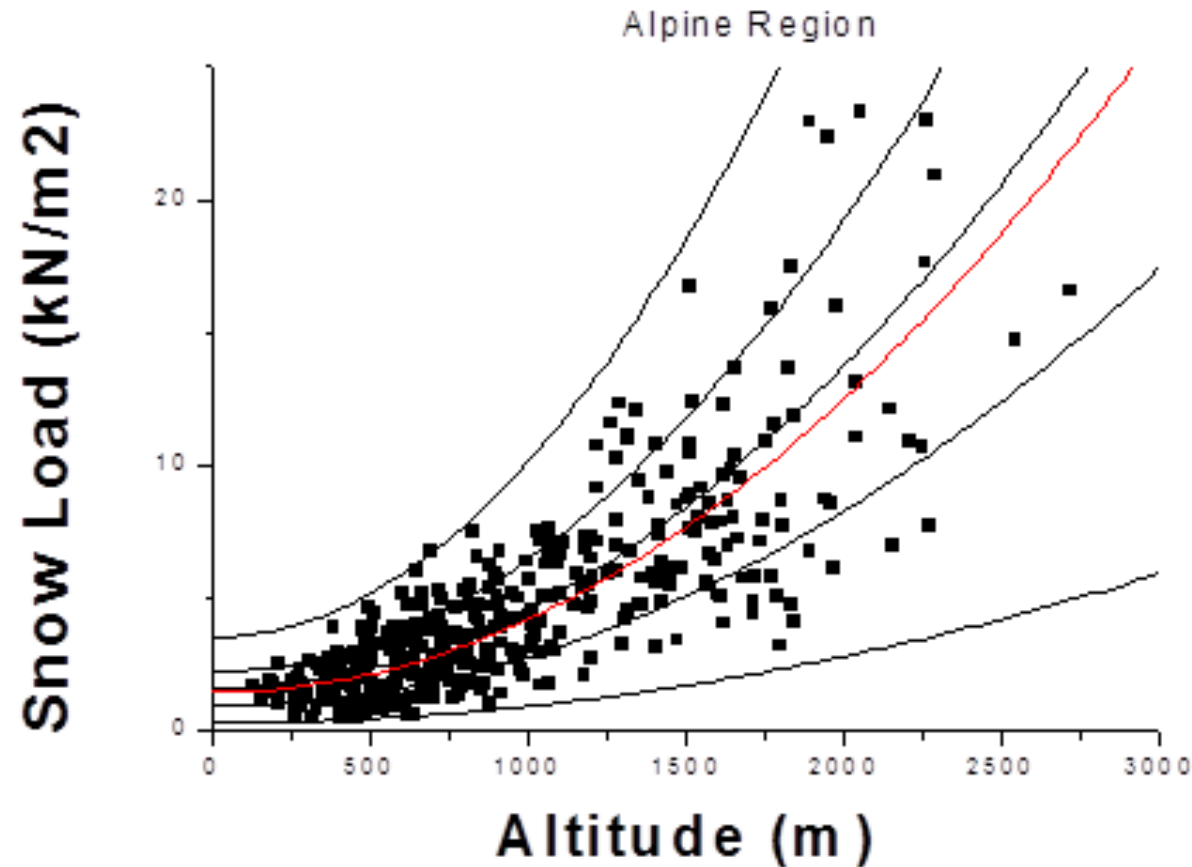
- Alpine Region
- Central East
- Central West
- Greece
- Iberian Peninsula
- Iceland
- Mediterranean Region
- Norway
- Sweden, Finland
- UK, Ireland



Snow load at Sea Level (Mediterranean Region)



Altitude-snow load relationship



$$s = a \left[1 + \left(\frac{h}{b} \right)^2 \right]$$

a=snow load at ground

h=altitude

b=parameter



Snow load map on the ground Italy

Zone 1

$$q_{sk}=1.50 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$q_{sk} = 1.35 \left[1 + \left(\frac{a_s}{602} \right)^2 \right] \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$a_s \leq 200 \text{ m}$$

$$a_s > 200 \text{ m}$$

Zone 2

$$q_{sk}=1.00 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$q_{sk} = 0.85 \left[1 + \left(\frac{a_s}{481} \right)^2 \right] \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$a_s \leq 200 \text{ m}$$

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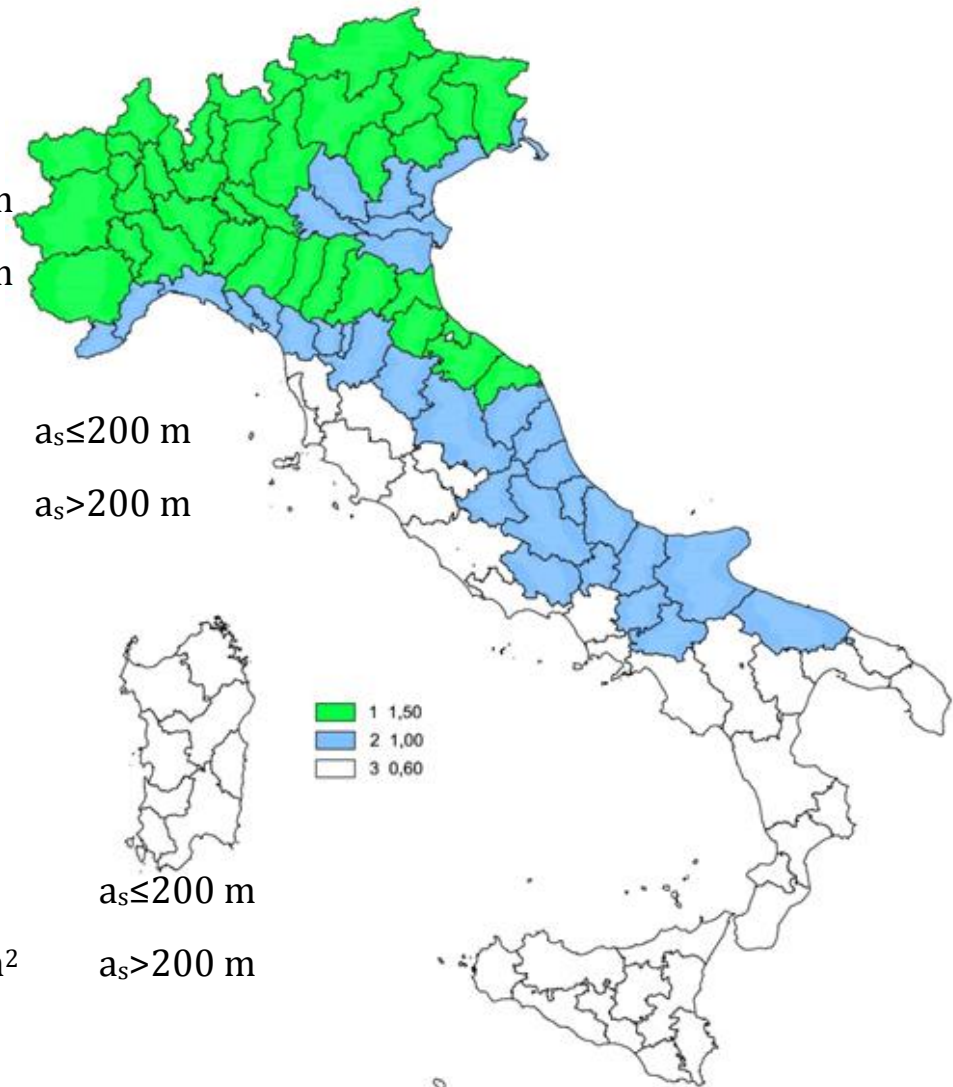
Zone 3

$$q_{sk}=0.60 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$q_{sk} = 0.51 \left[1 + \left(\frac{a_s}{481} \right)^2 \right] \text{ kN/m}^2$$

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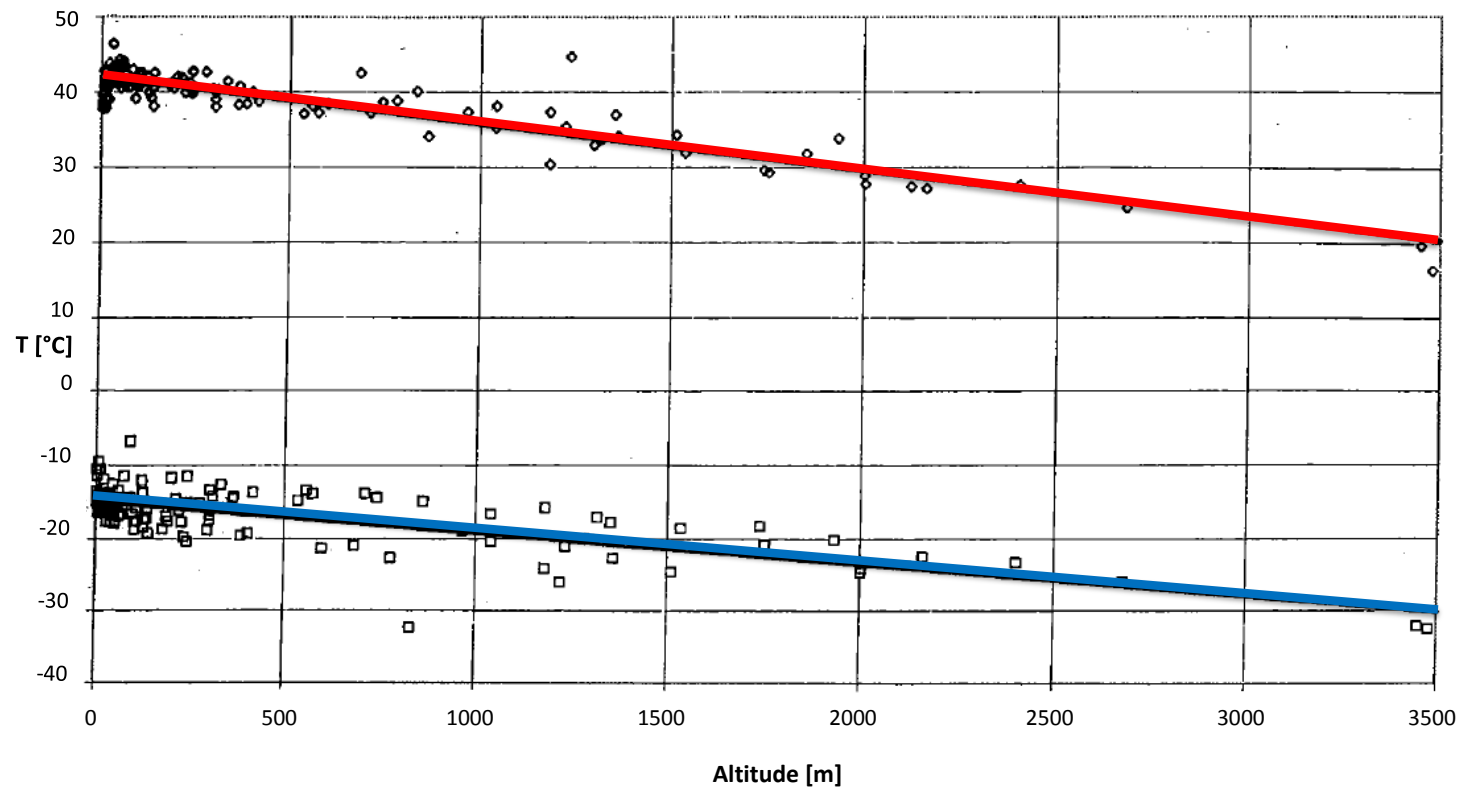
Thermal actions



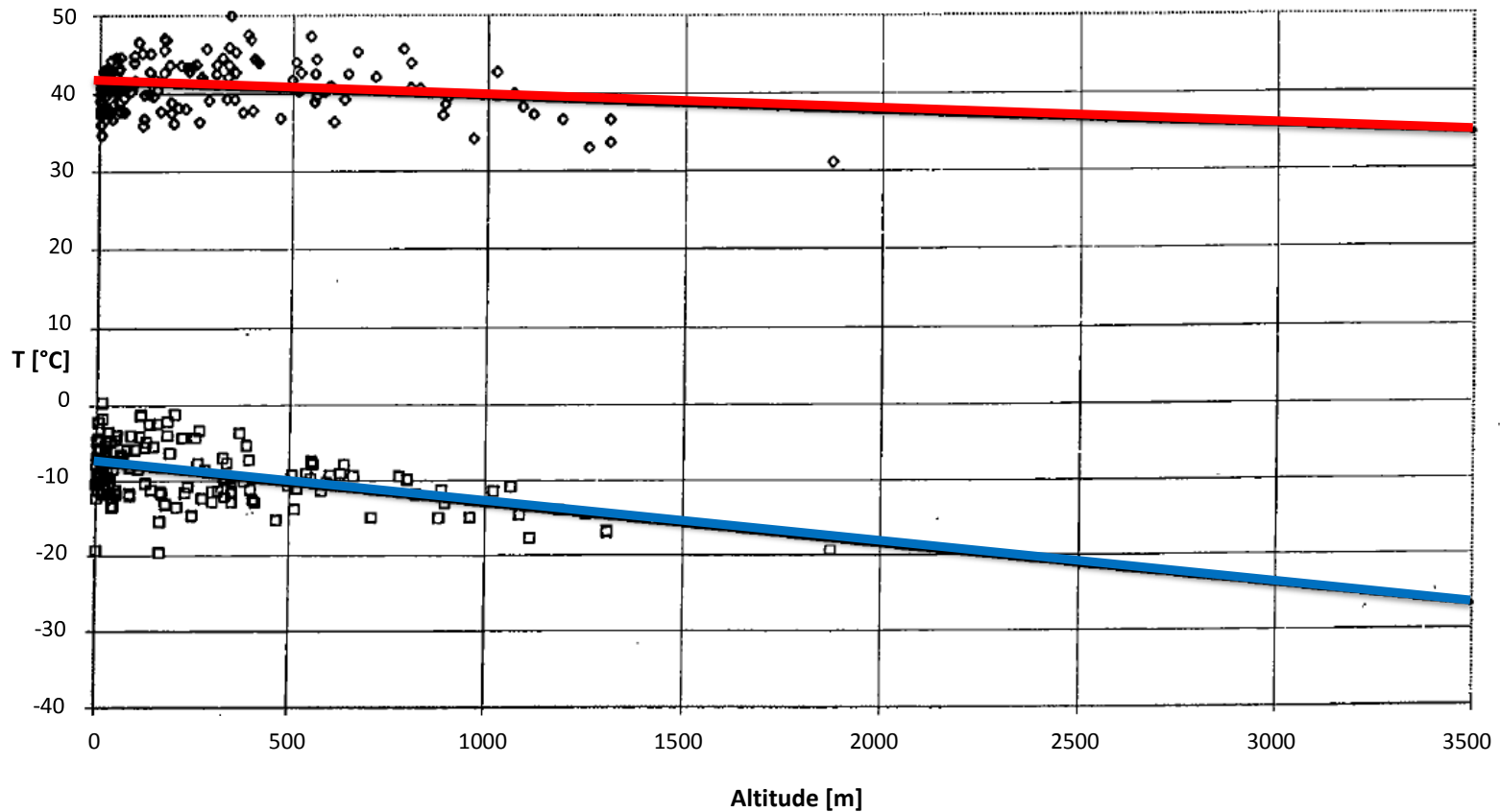
Meteorological stations



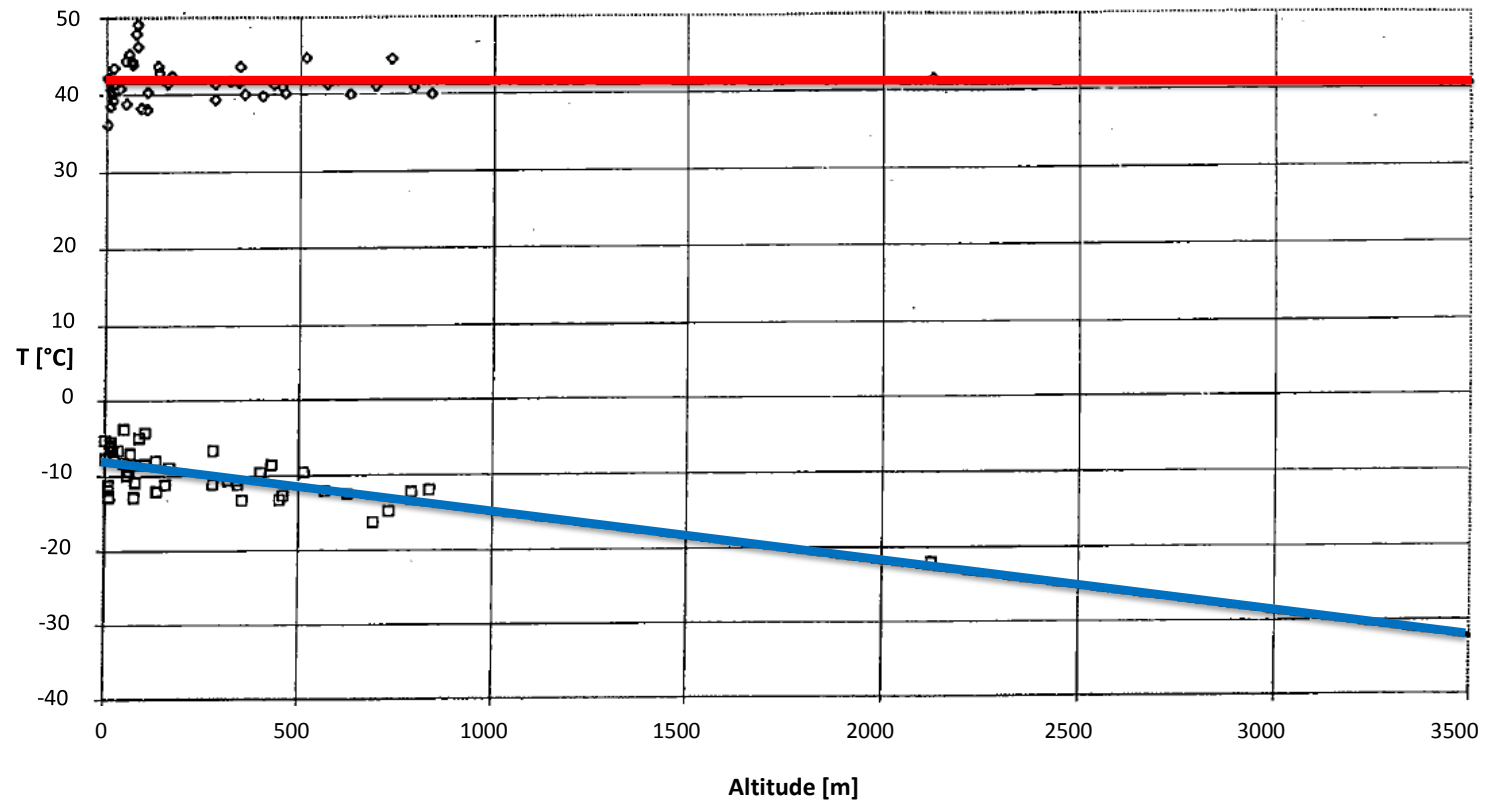
Altitude- T_{\max} - T_{\min} Zone I (North)



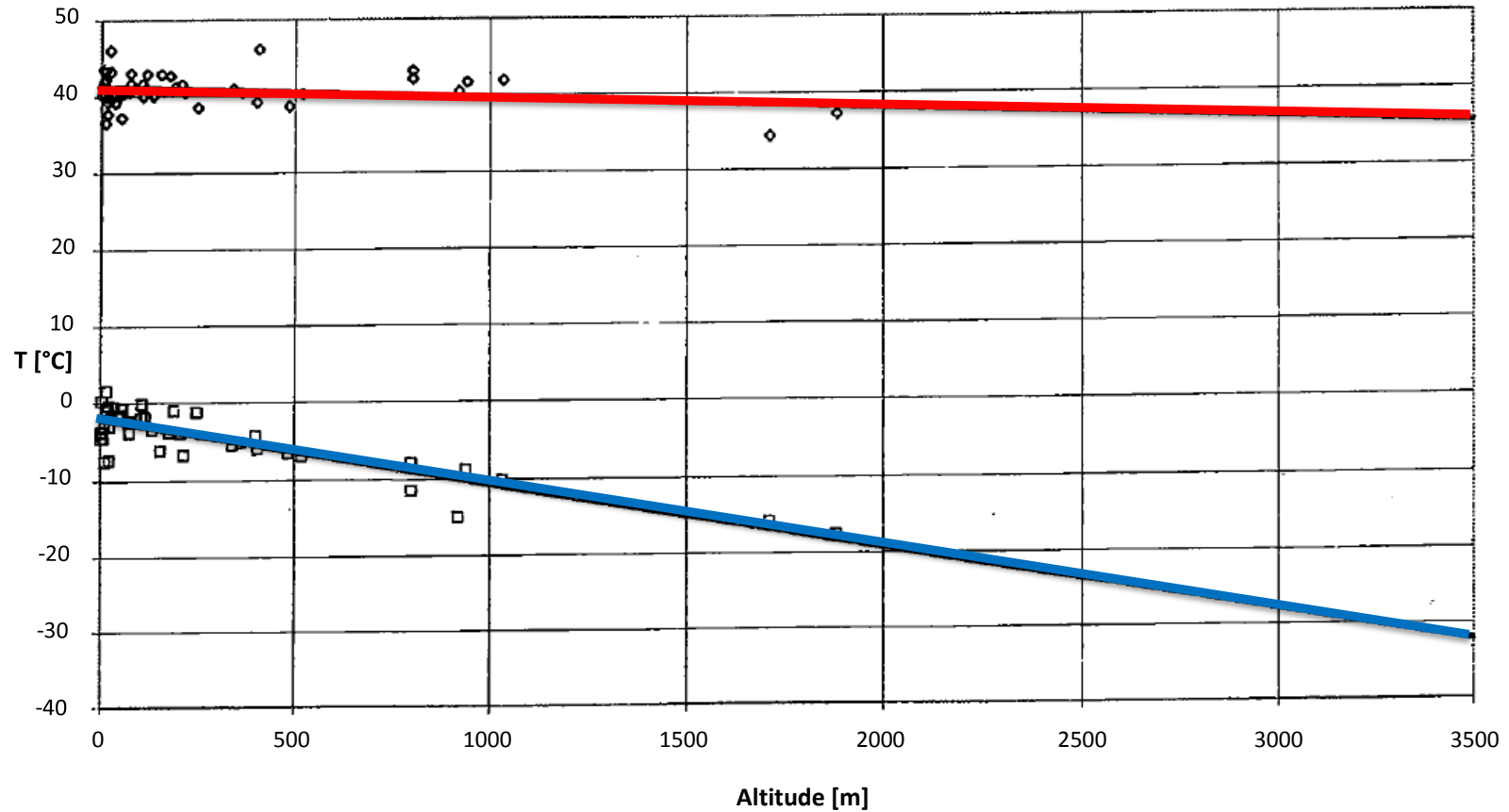
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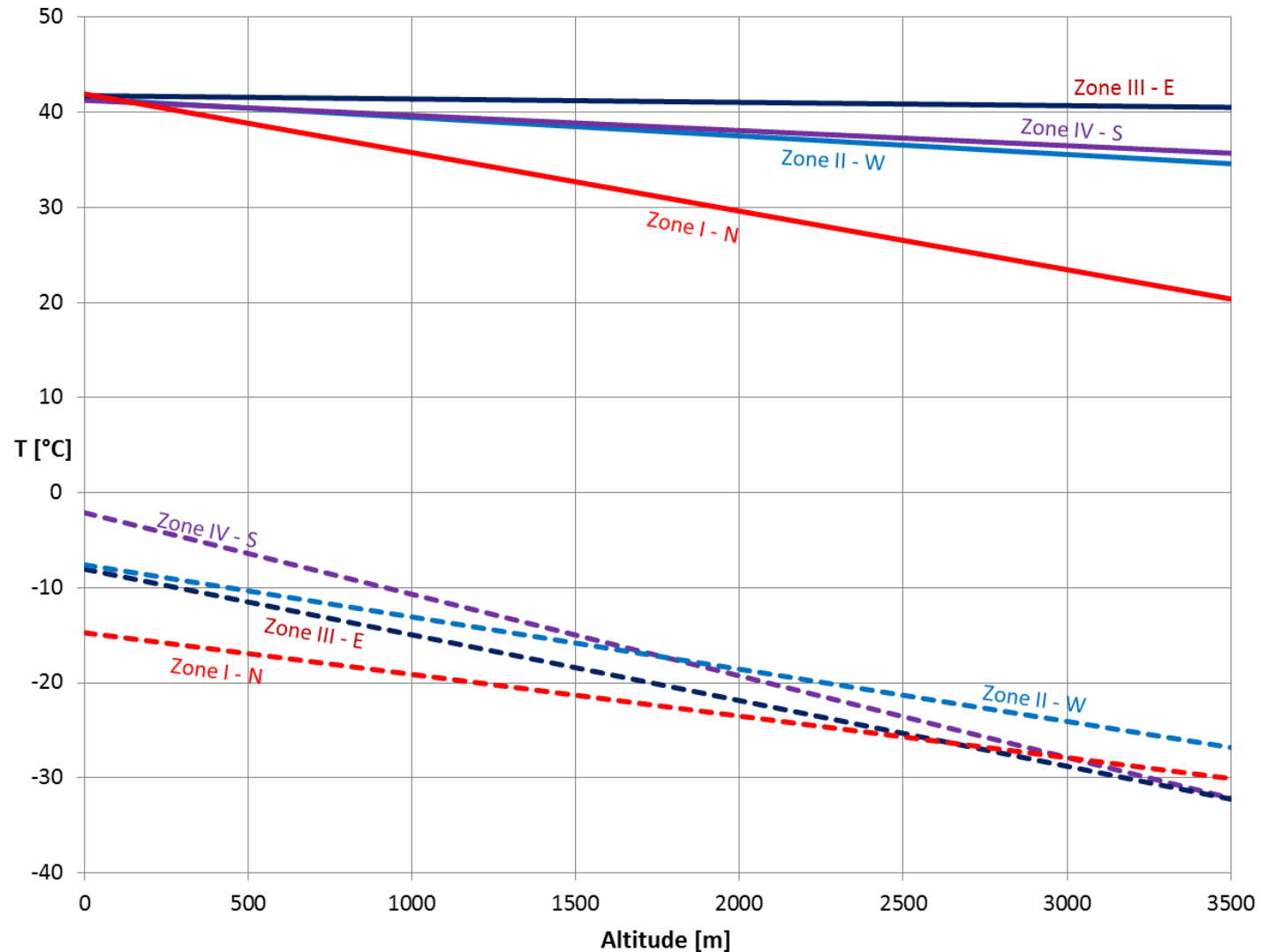
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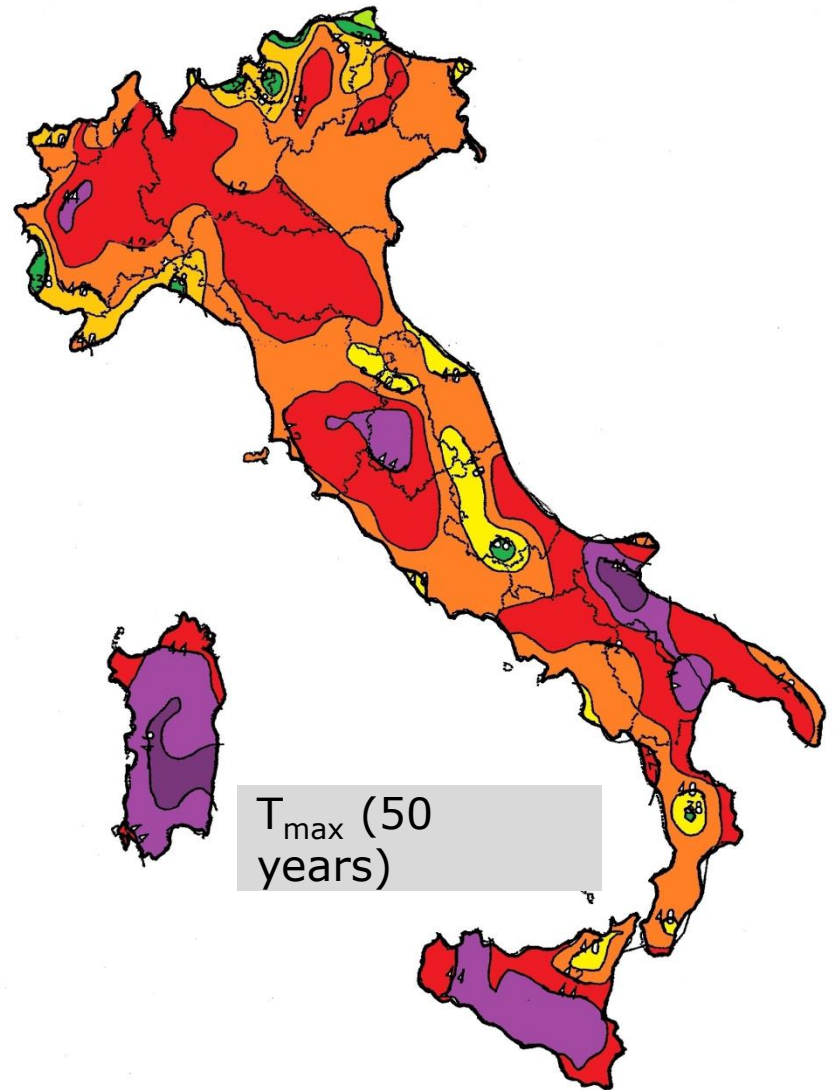
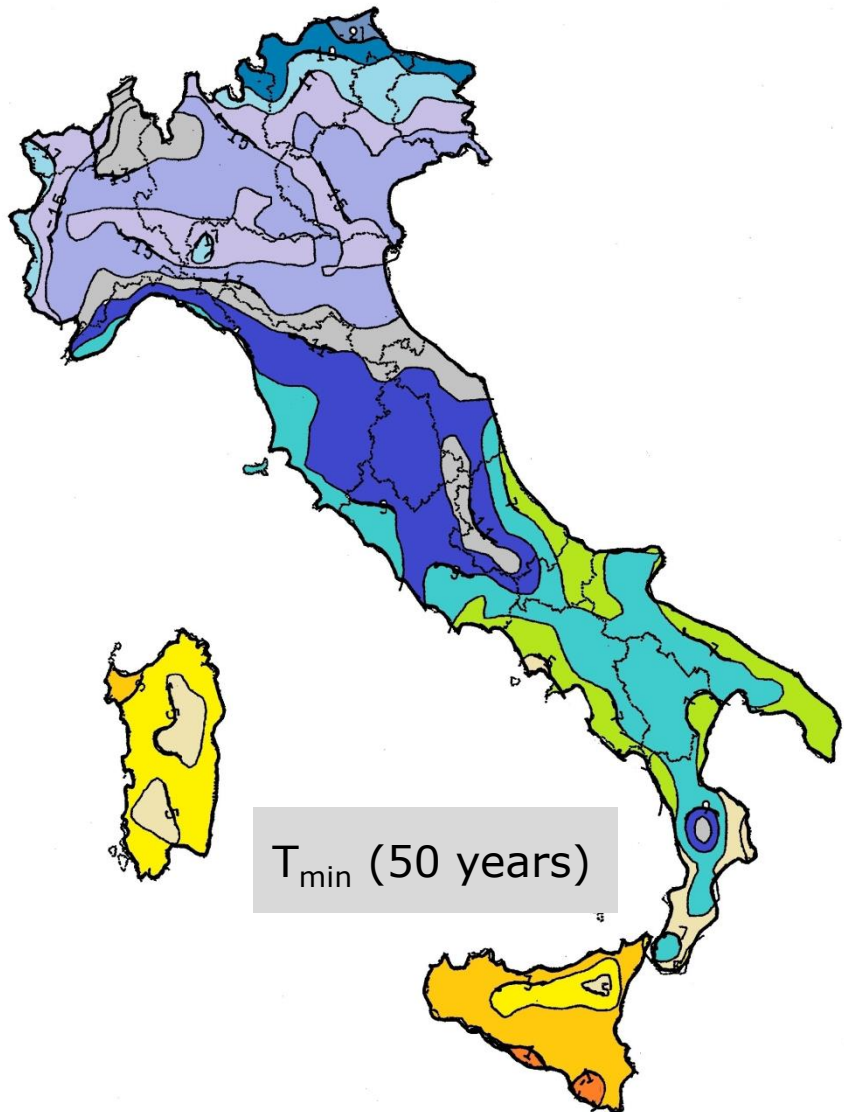
Altitude- T_{\max} - T_{\min} Zone IV (South)



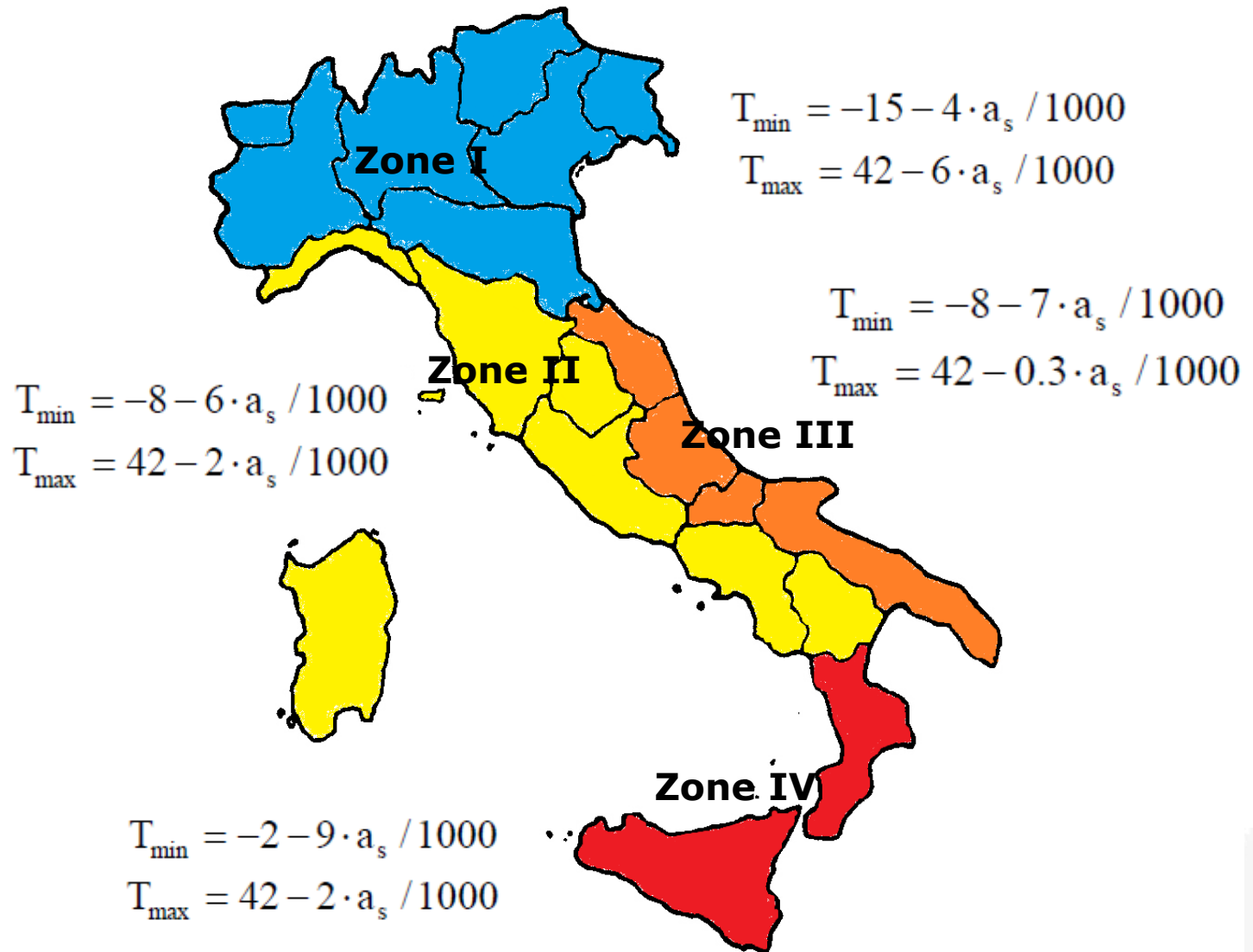
Altitude- T_{\max} - T_{\min} Comparison



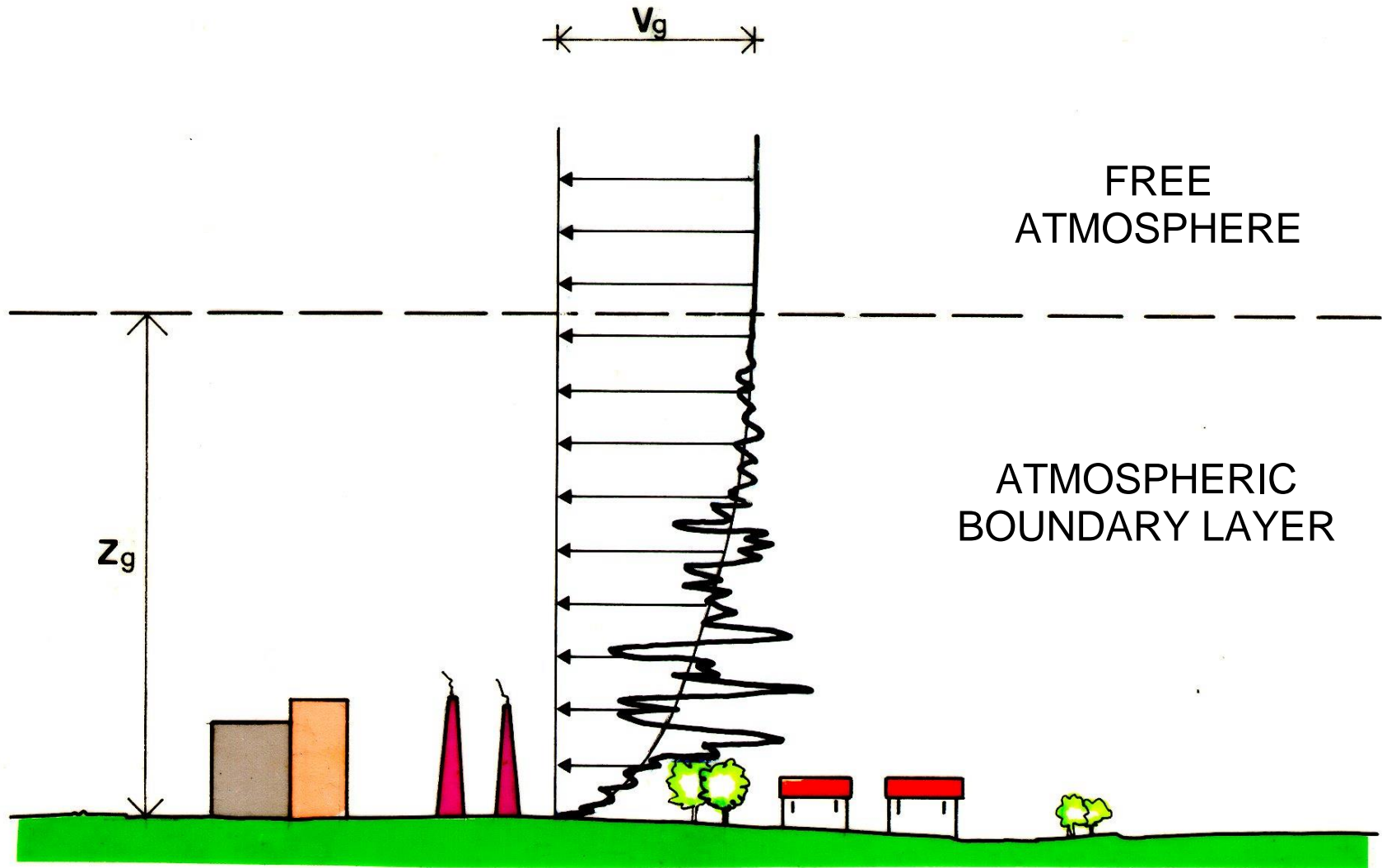
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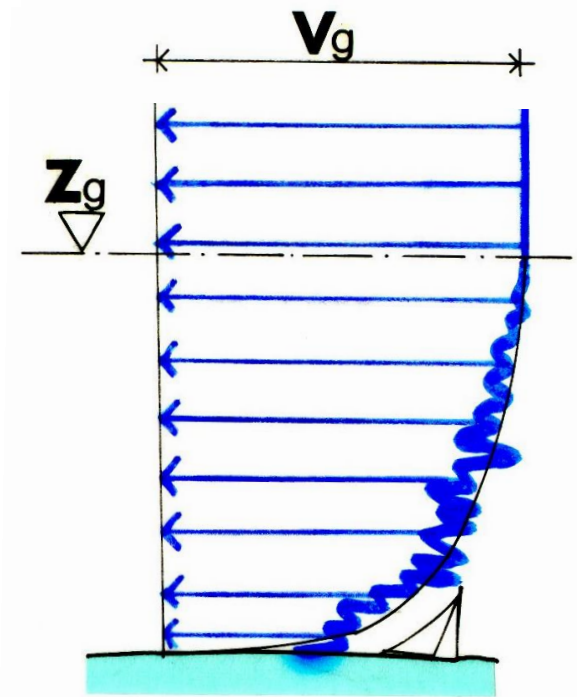
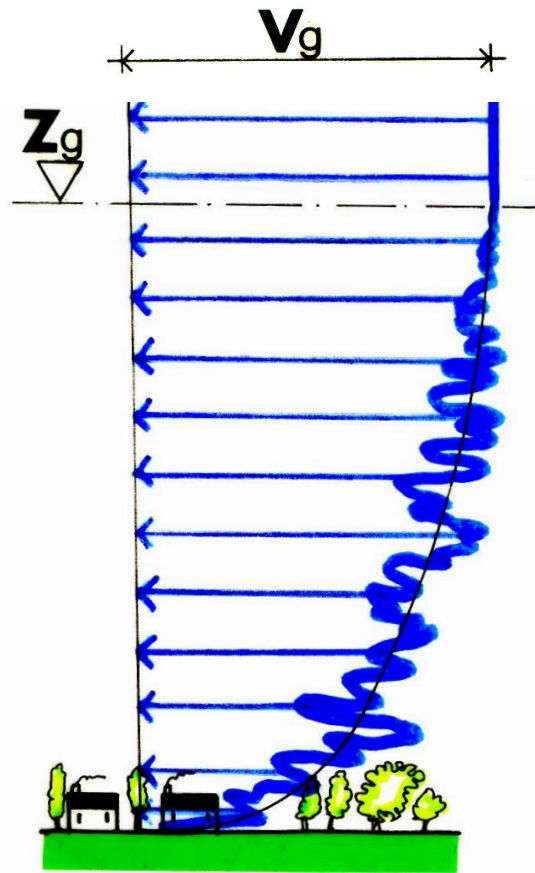
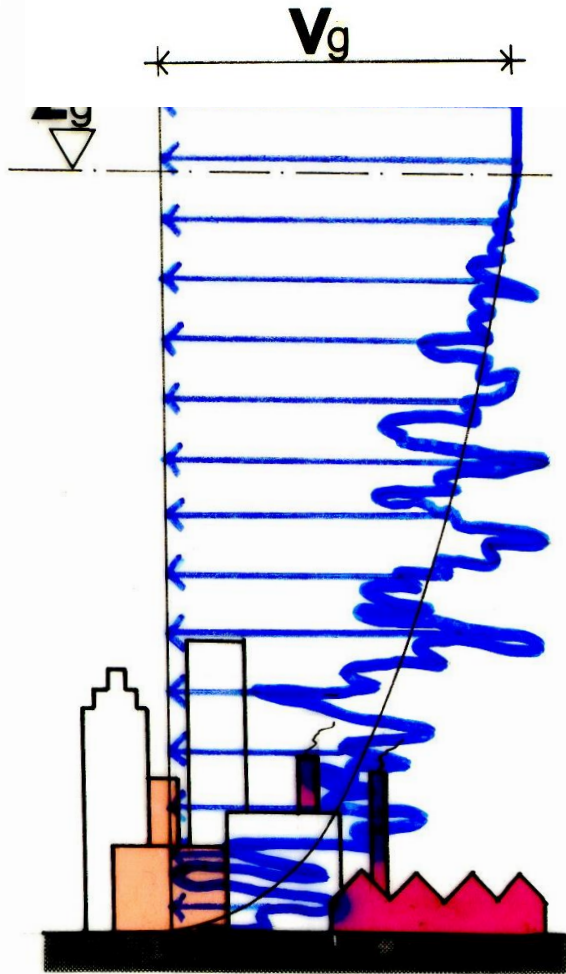
Temperature map - Italy



Wind actions

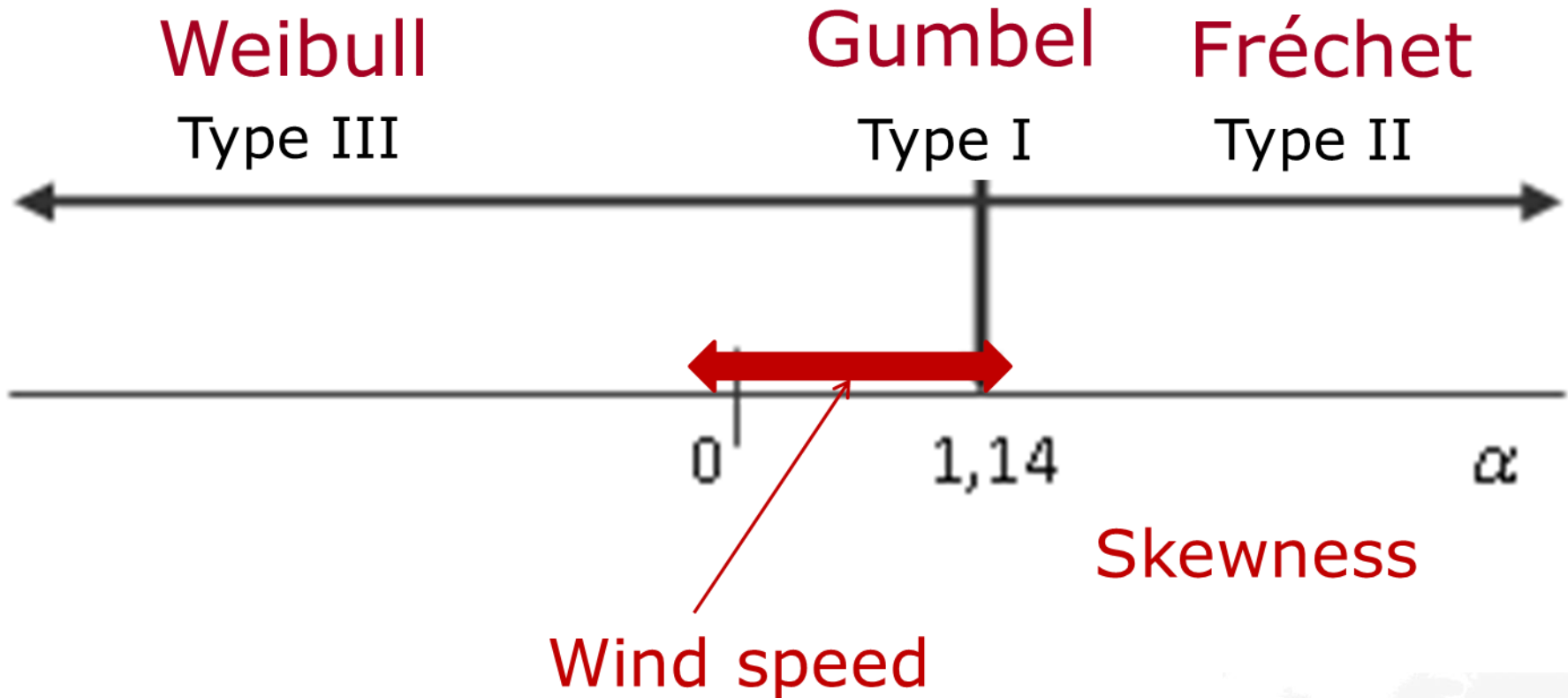


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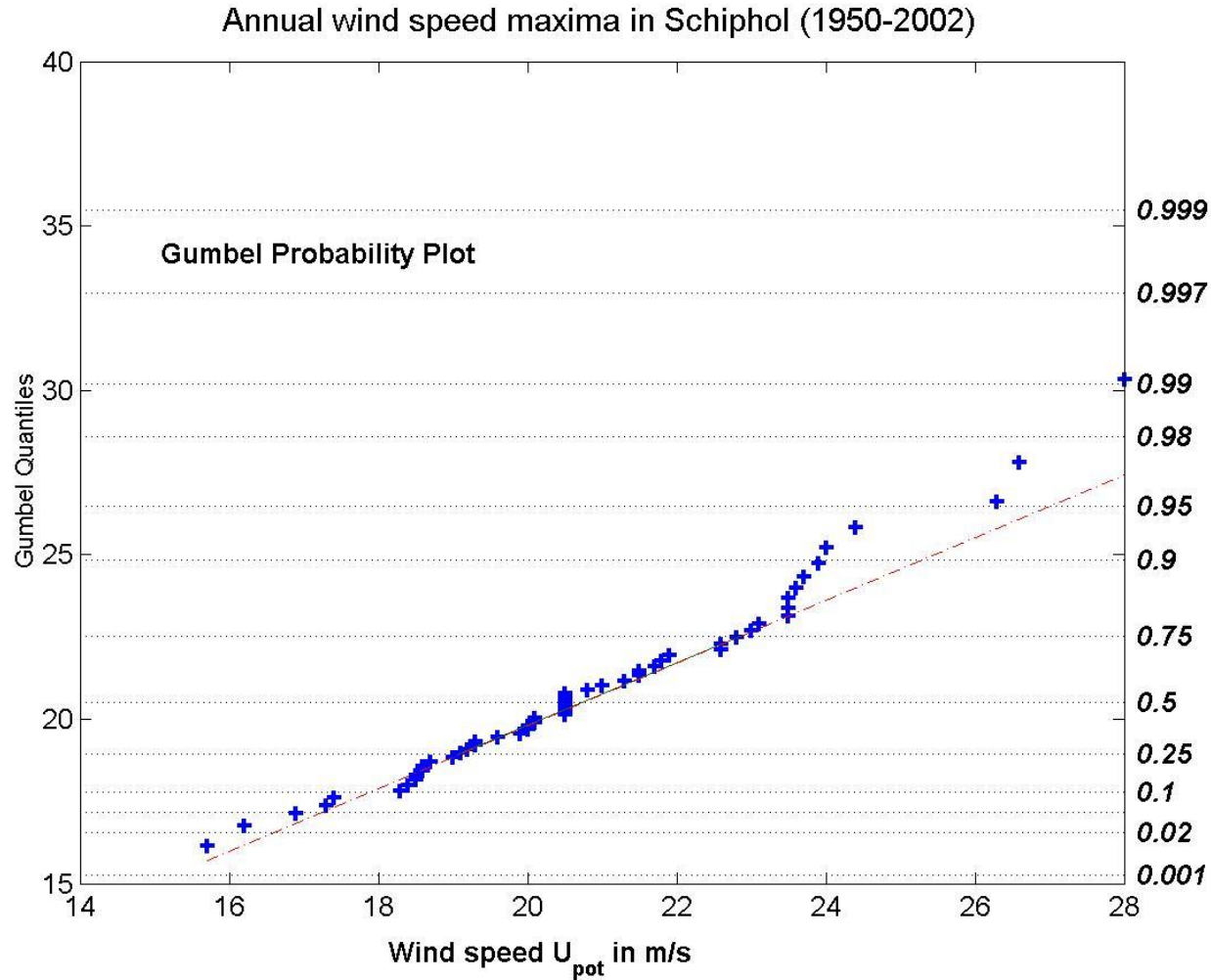


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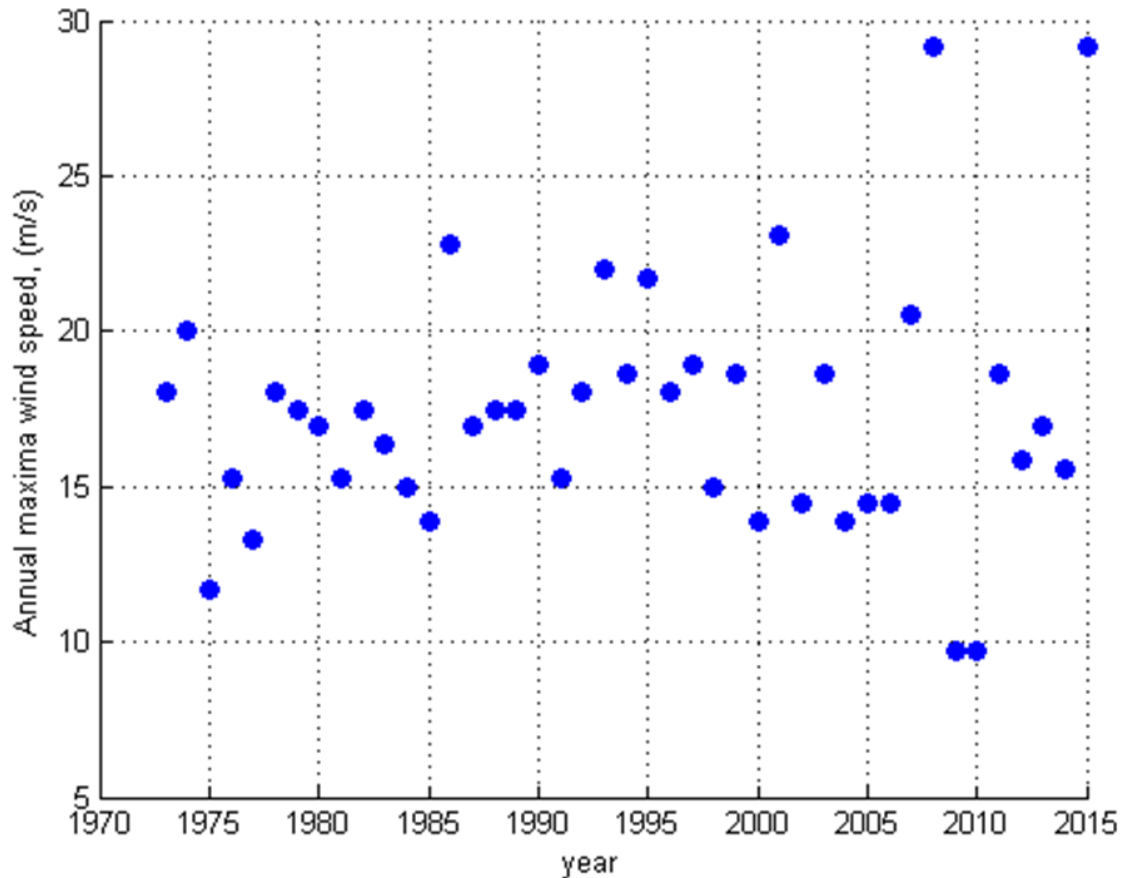
Common extreme value distribution



Wind speed



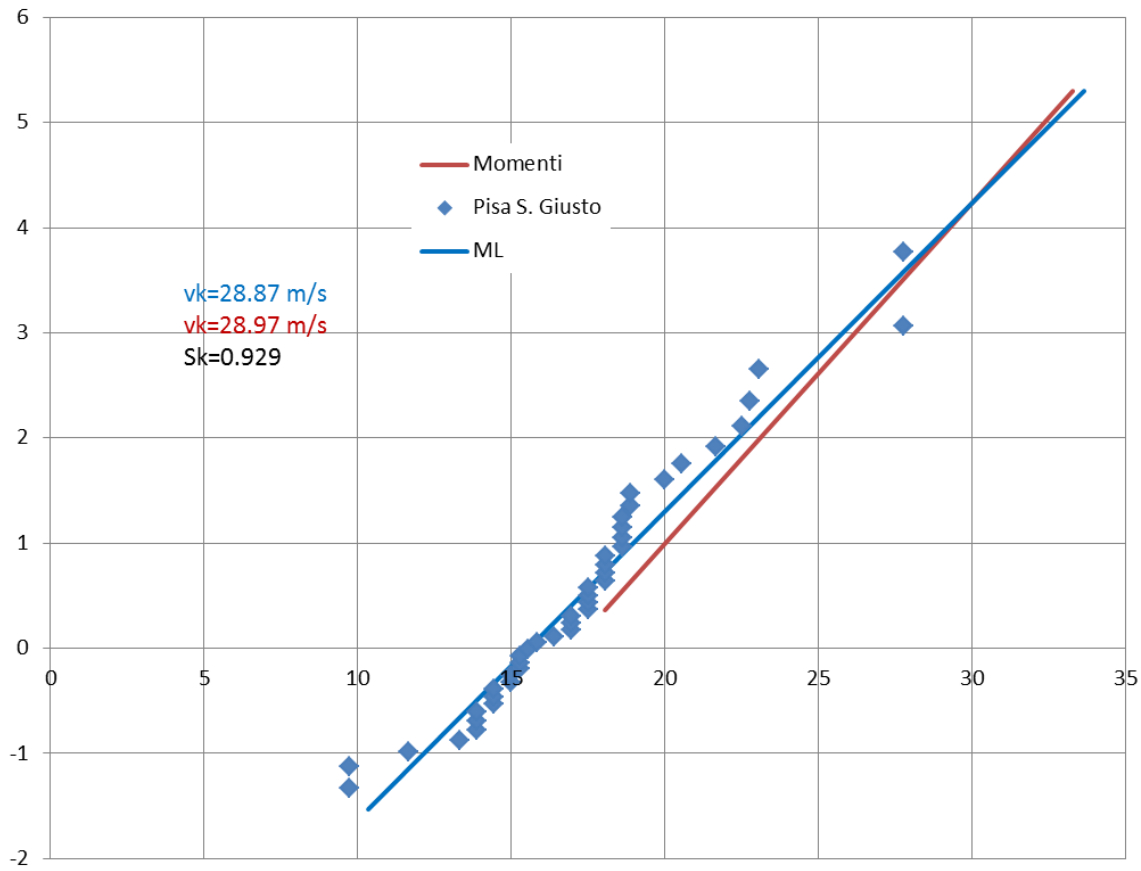
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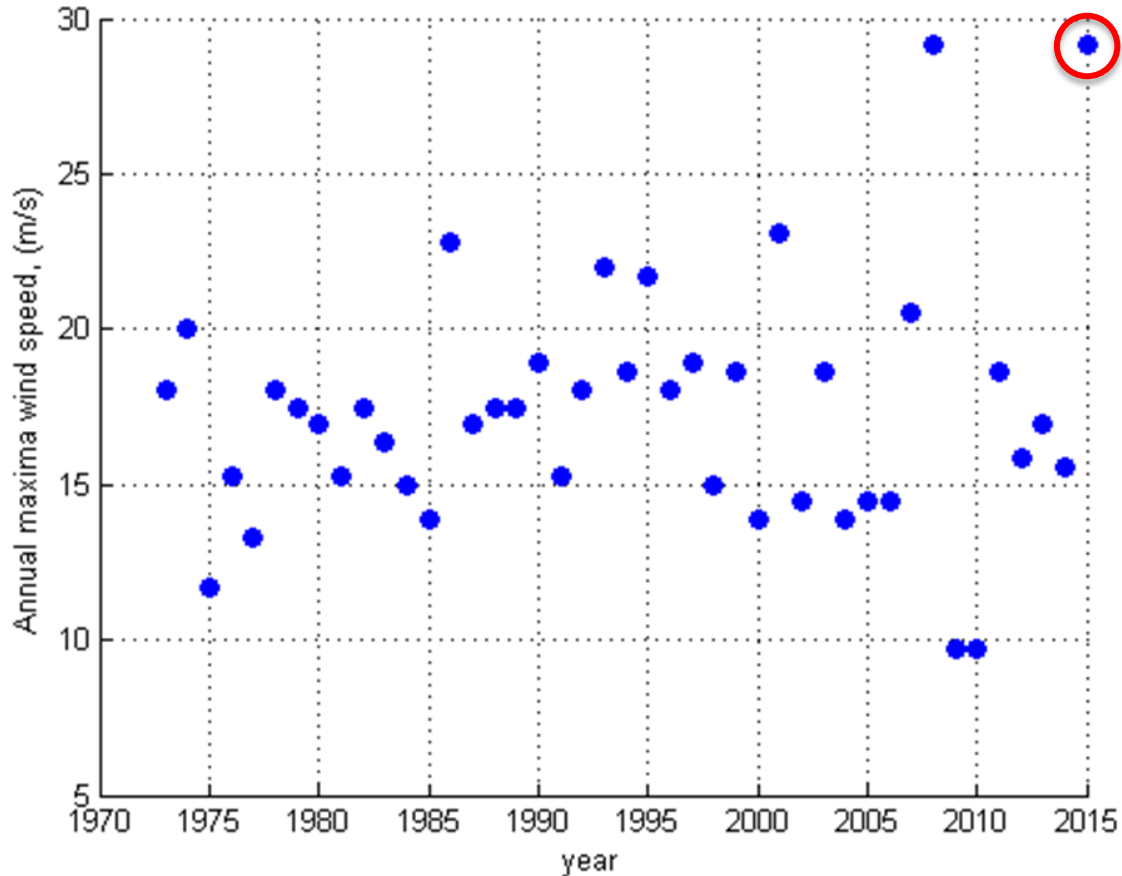
Annual maxima of wind speed at Pisa airport weather station



Wind speed – Pisa airport annual maxima elaboration



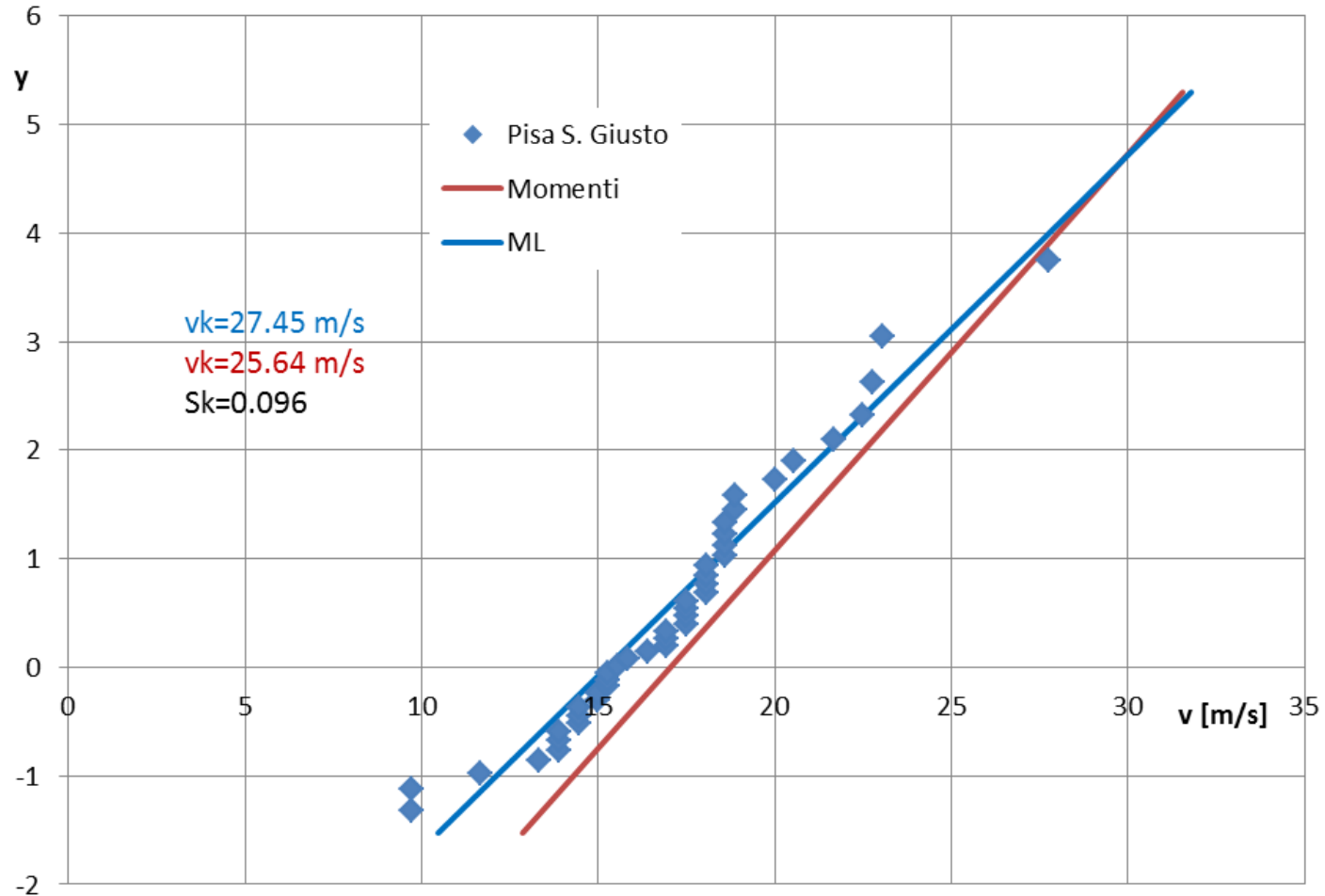
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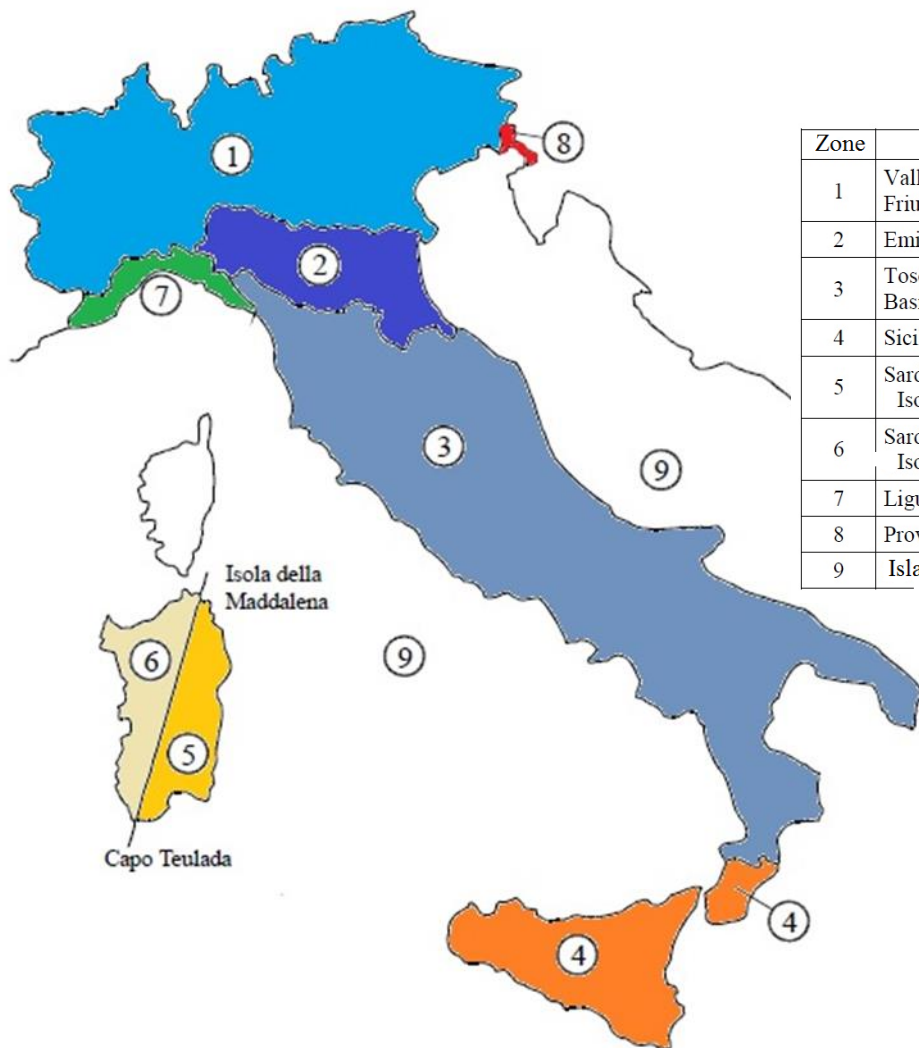
Zone	Description	$v_{b,0}$ [m/s]	a_0 [m]	k_a [1/s]
1	Valle d'Aosta, Piemonte, Lombardia, Trentino Alto Adige, Veneto, Friuli Venezia Giulia except the province of Trieste	25	1000	0,010
2	Emilia Romagna	25	750	0,015
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5	Sardegna (zone east of the line connecting Capo Teulada with Isola di Maddalena)	28	750	0,015
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Terrain roughness

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A	Urban areas with not less of 15% of surface is covered by buildings whose height is bigger than 15 m
B	Urban areas not belonging to class A, suburban, industrial and wooden areas
C	Area with dispersed obstacles (trees, buildings, walls, fences ...); areas with roughness not belonging to classes A, B, D
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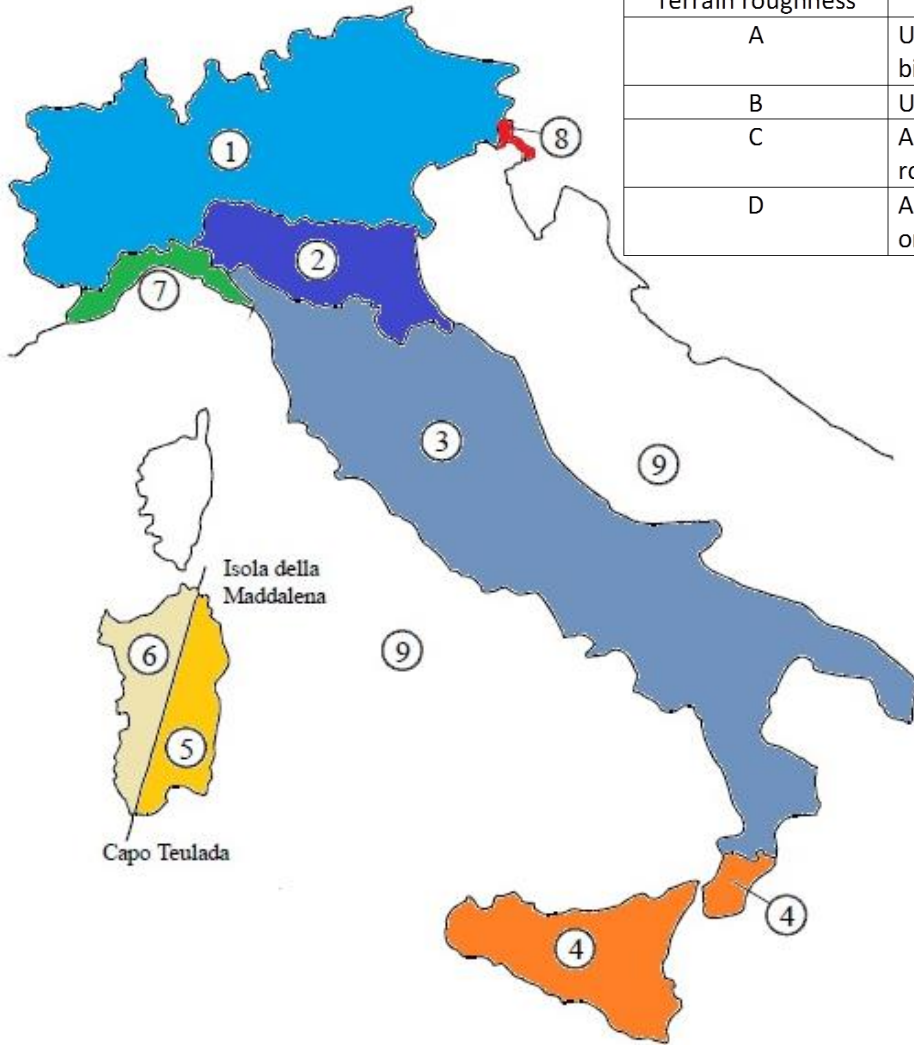
$$c_e(z) = k_r^2 c_t \ln(z/z_0) [7 + c_t \ln(z/z_0)] \quad \text{per } z \geq z_{\min}$$

$$c_e(z) = c_e(z_{\min}) \quad \text{per } z < z_{\min}$$

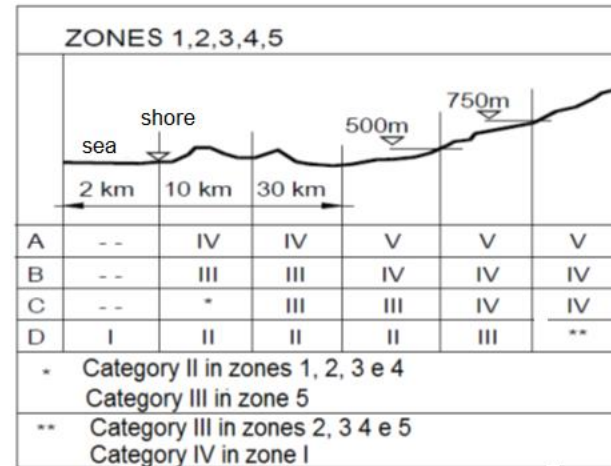
Exposure category	k_r	z_0 [m]	z_{\min} [m]
I	0,17	0,01	2
II	0,19	0,05	4
III	0,20	0,10	5
IV	0,22	0,30	8
V	0,23	0,70	12



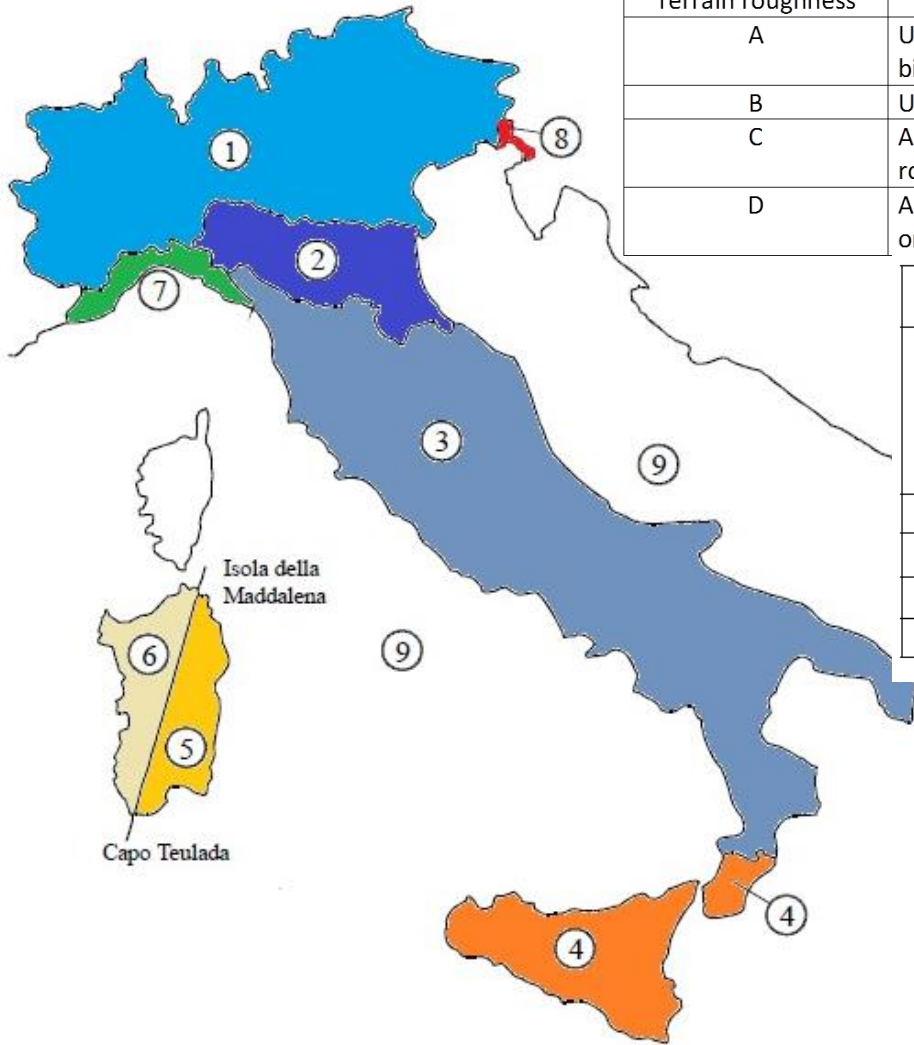
Wind map at sea level - Italy



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ZONE 9

	sea	shore
A	--	I
B	--	I
C	--	I
D	I	I

ZONE 6

	sea	shore	500m		
	2 km	10 km	30 km		
A	--	III	IV	V	V
B	--	II	III	IV	IV
C	--	II	III	III	IV
D	I	I	II	II	III

ZONES 7,8

	sea	shore
	1.5 km	0.5 km
A	--	IV
B	--	IV
C	--	III
D	I	II

* Category II in zone 8
Category III in zone 7



ELABORATION OF MAPS FOR CLIMATIC AND SEISMIC ACTIONS FOR STRUCTURAL DESIGN IN THE BALKAN REGION

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