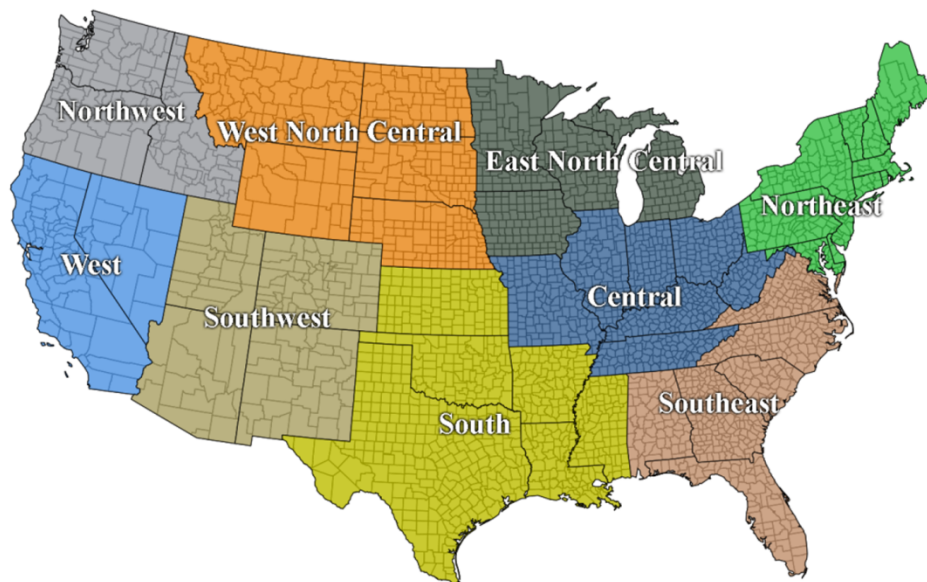


Appendix 1. US climate regions defined by National Climatic Data Center.



Appendix 2. Sampling path of variance parameter of the spatial function in Model 1 [plot (a)] and four spatial functions in Model 2 [plot (b) to (e)].

