

A validation suite for texmex

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1 Introduction

The texmex [1] package for R provides a suite of test routines. These tests include comparisons of parameter estimates with published versions – particularly values published in works by Coles [2] and Heffernan and Tawn [3] – as well as many comparisons with values produced by independently written code, and many logical checks and checks for routine failure in the context of inappropriate usage.

Many graphs are produced by the test suite and these can be visually compared with published versions, or evaluated against known plausible output.

The testthat [4] package is used to provide the testing environment.

In total, over 1000 tests are performed providing a reasonable degree of confidence that texmex produces the output expected of it.

1.1 Software

R version 3.1.1 (2014-07-10) [5] was used in the construction of this vignette. Versions of texmex, sombrero, test that and other packages can be found in the Appendix.

1.2 Acknowledgements

Some of the independently written code that is used for validation is borrowed from the ismev [2] and evd [7] packages. Other code has been provided by Yiannis Papastathopoulos [8] and by Paul Metcalfe of AstraZeneca.

The development of the the texmex package, including its test suite, was partially funded by AstraZeneca.

2 Using the validation suite

To install the test suite, it is necessary to install the package with the option `--install-tests`. For example, if installing version 2.3 at the command line from the package source (the `.tar.gz` file), the command would be

```
R CMD INSTALL --install-tests texmex_2.3.tar.gz
```

The test suite depends upon the `testthat` [4] package, so it is necessary to load that package before attempting to run any tests.

```
library(texmex)

## Loading required package: mvtnorm

library(testthat)
```

The test scripts are located under the package directory in `tests/testthat`. To run a specific test script, you can use

```
test_file("texmex/tests/testthat/test.revTransform.R")
```

for example. To run all test scripts (which will take a while), the command is as follows, and the output consists of the majority of the remainder of this document.

```
test_package("texmex")

## bootmex :

## Fitted values of  $\xi_i < -0.5$ 
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## Fitted values of  $\xi_i < -0.5$ 
## .....

## Fitted values of  $\xi_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $\xi_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $\xi_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $\xi_i < -0.5$ 
## .....
```

```

## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 

## .....
## chi : .....
## closures : .....
## copula : ....
## dgpd : .....
## egp3 : ..
## endPoint : ...

## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 

## .....

## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 

## .

## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 

## .

## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 

## .....
## evm : .....

## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 

## .....
## evmBoot :

## Ratio of bias to standard error is high

## .....

## Ratio of bias to standard error is high

## ..

## Ratio of bias to standard error is high

## .....

## Ratio of bias to standard error is high

## ..
## exprel : ..
## extremalIndex : .....

```

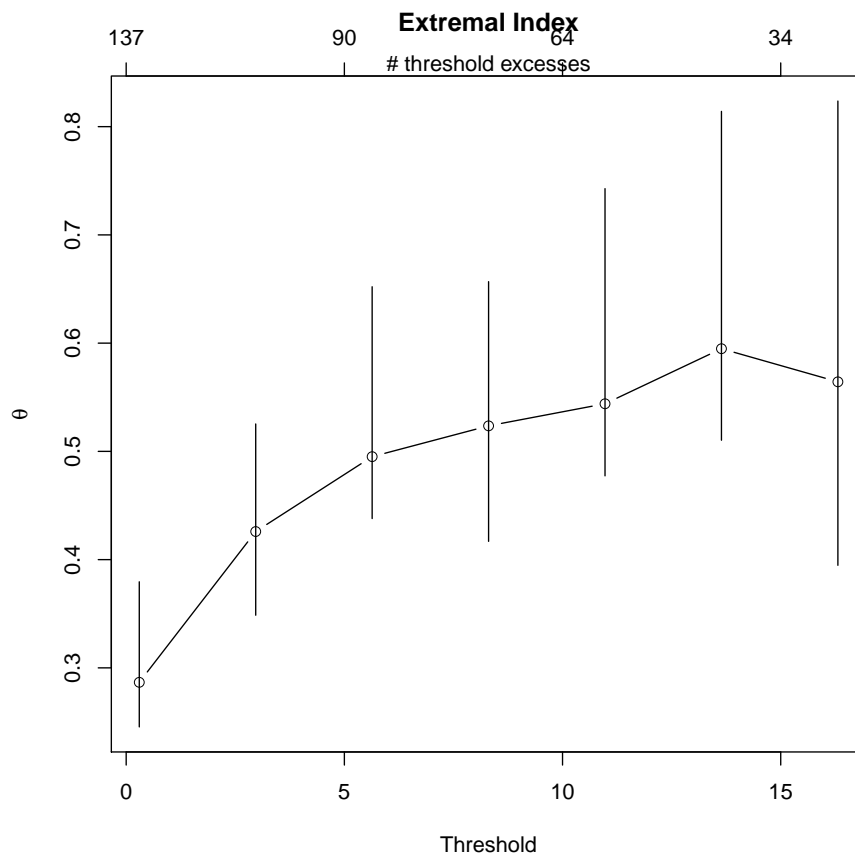


Figure 1: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## .....
## gpd.info : .....

## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5

## .....

## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5

## .....

## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5

## .....

## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
```

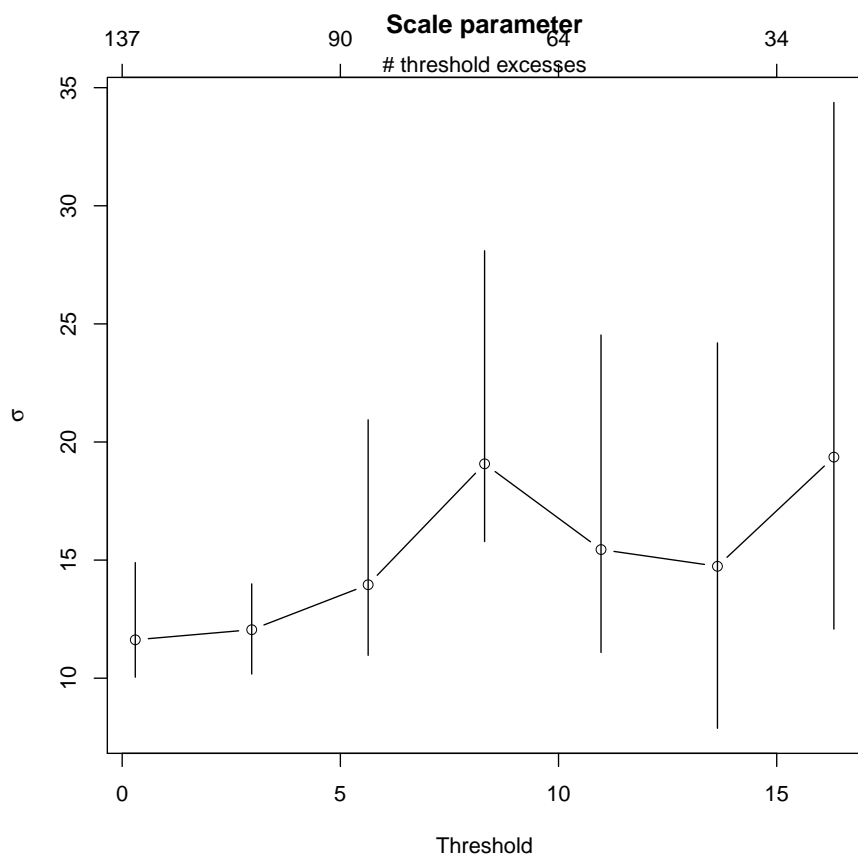


Figure 2: Output from running the validation suite.

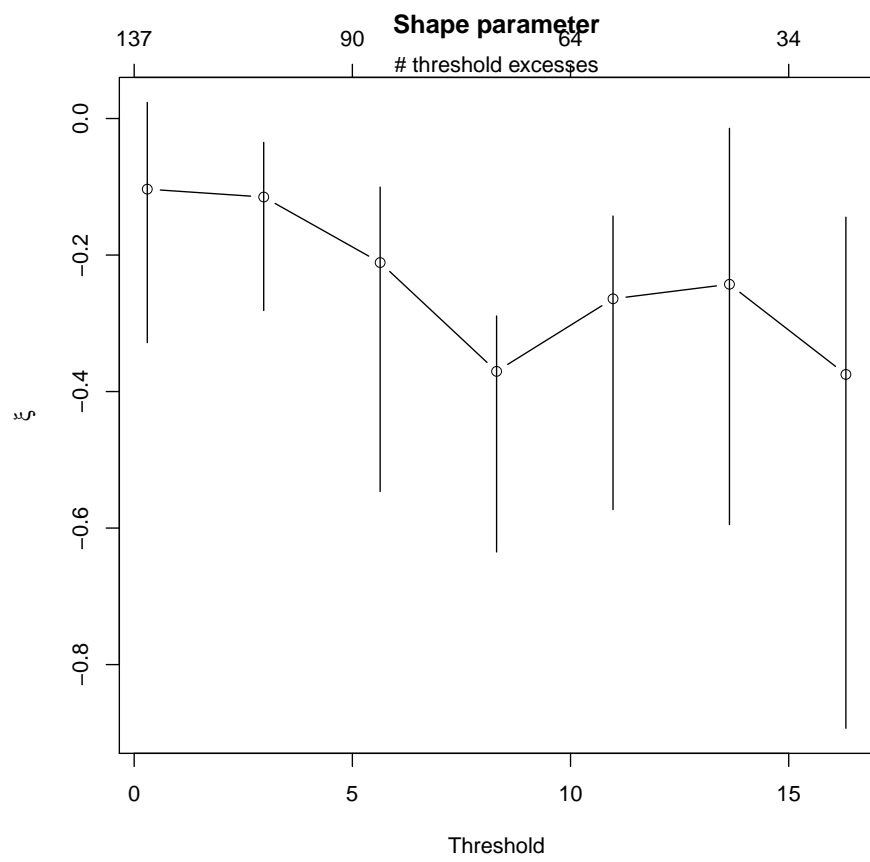


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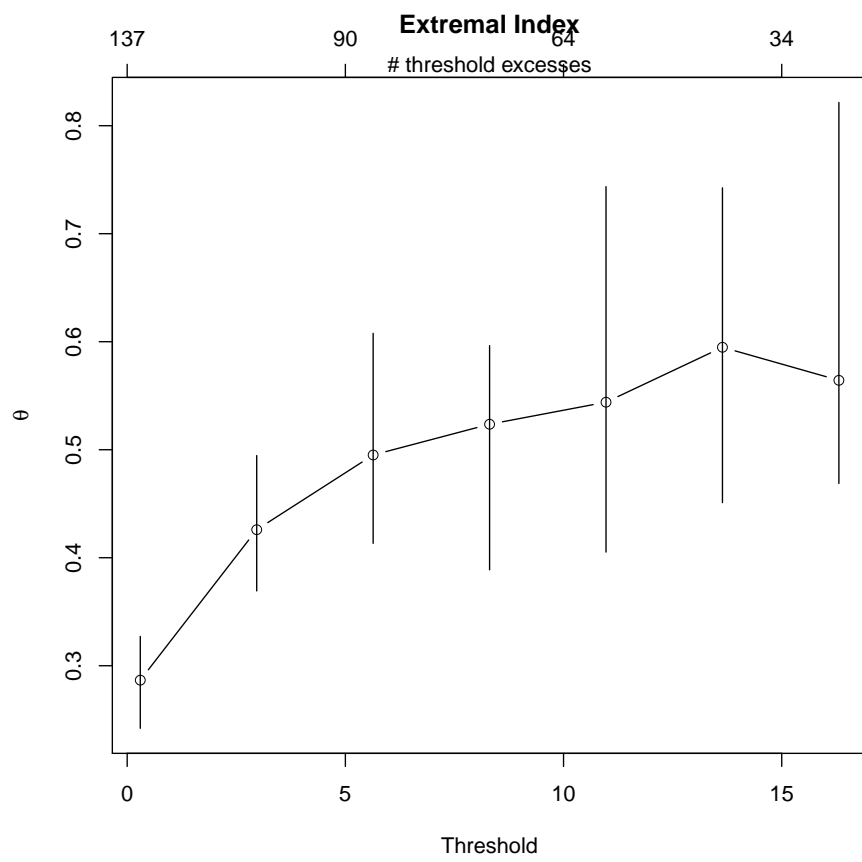


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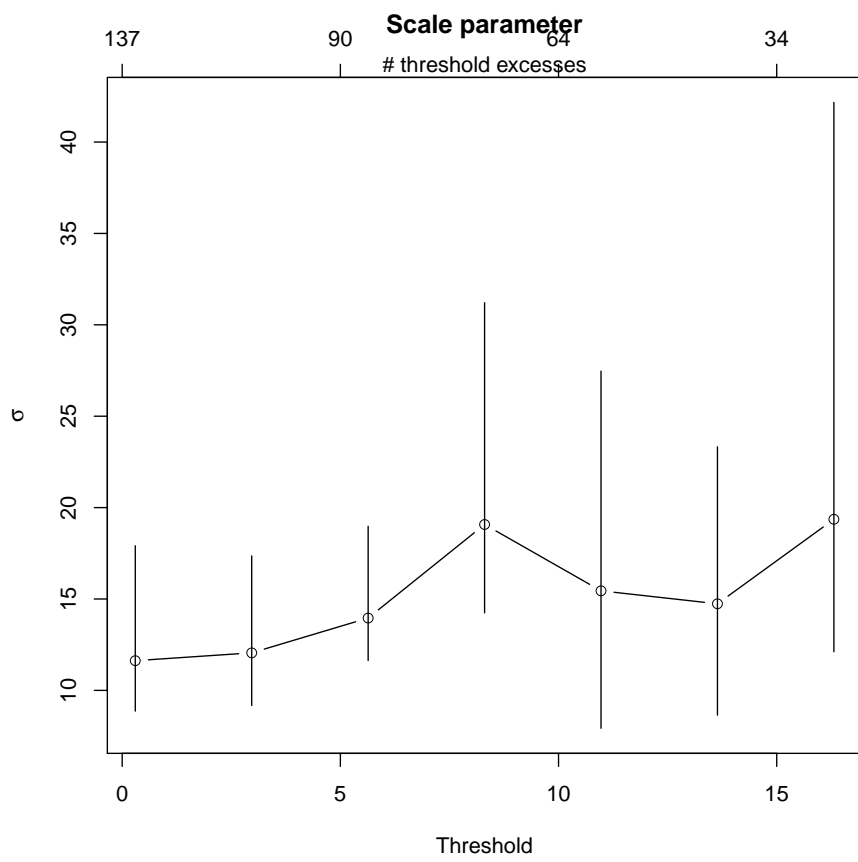


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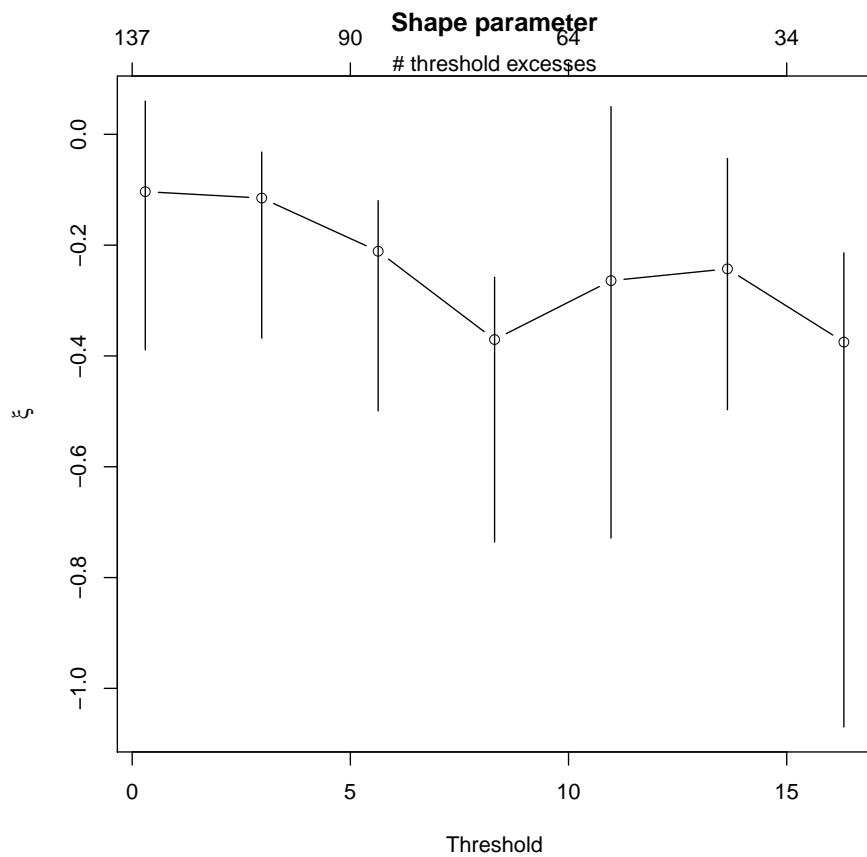


Figure 6: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## .....
## gpdRangeFit :
## .
## log1prel : ...
## MCS : ....
## mexDependence : .....
## mexRangeFit :

## Fitted values of  $\xi < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $\xi < -0.5$ 
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```

Figure 4.2 of Coles (2001)

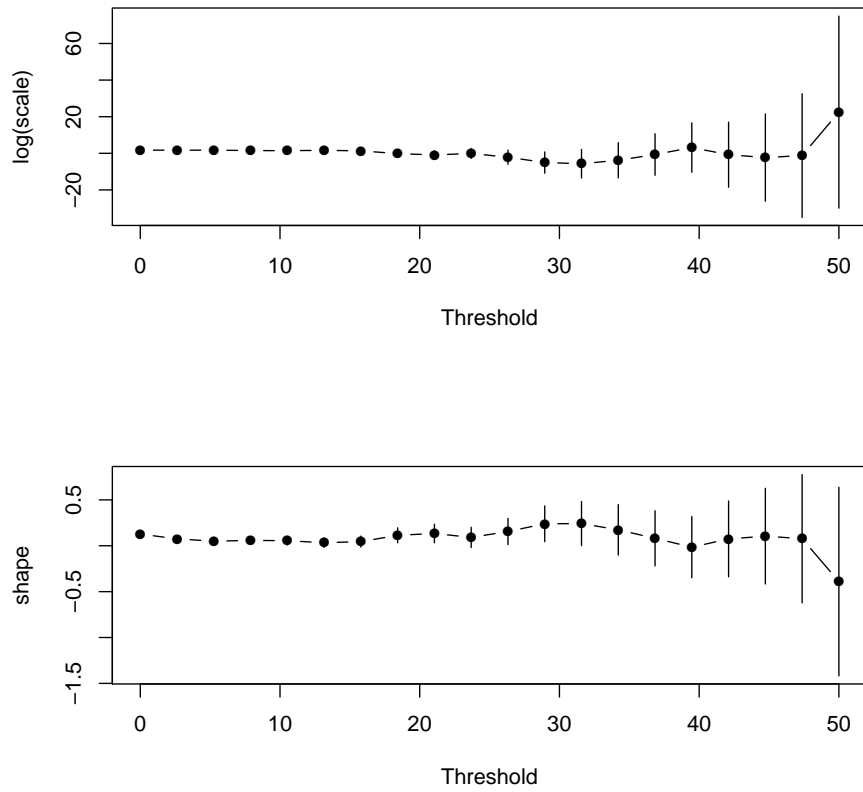


Figure 7: Output from running the validation suite.

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## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
```

```
## .....
```

```
##
## migpd : .....
## migpdCoefs : ....
## mrl :
```

```
## .
## pgev : .....
## pgpd : .....
## plot.bootmex :
```

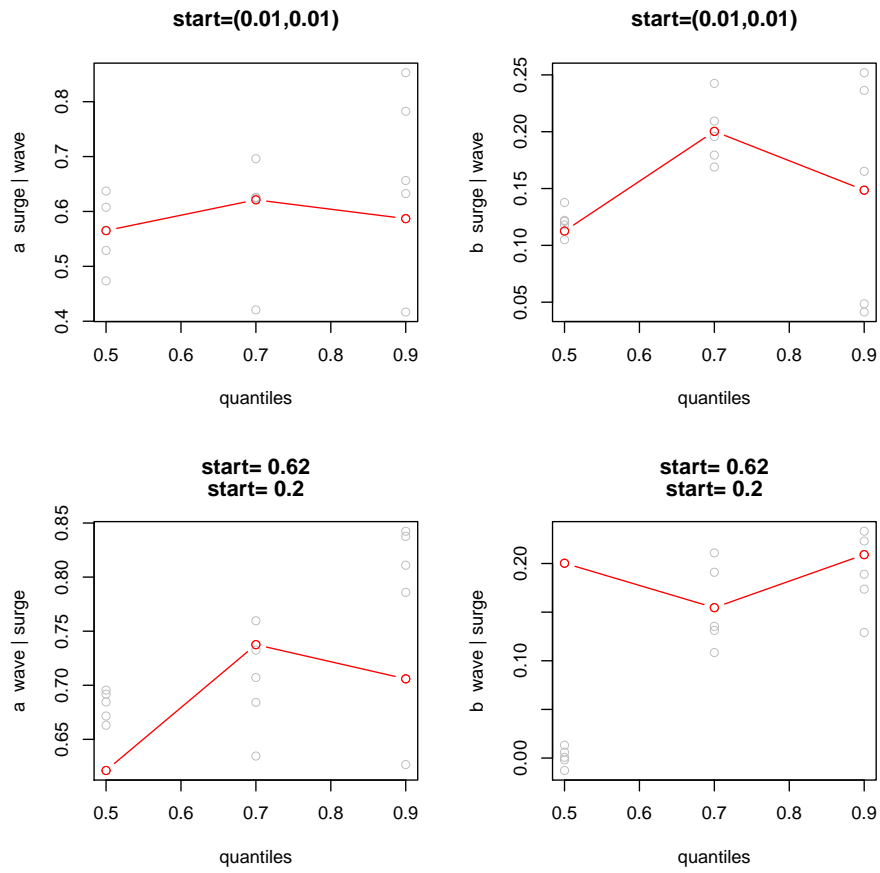


Figure 8: Output from running the validation suite.

Figure 4.1 of Coles (2001)

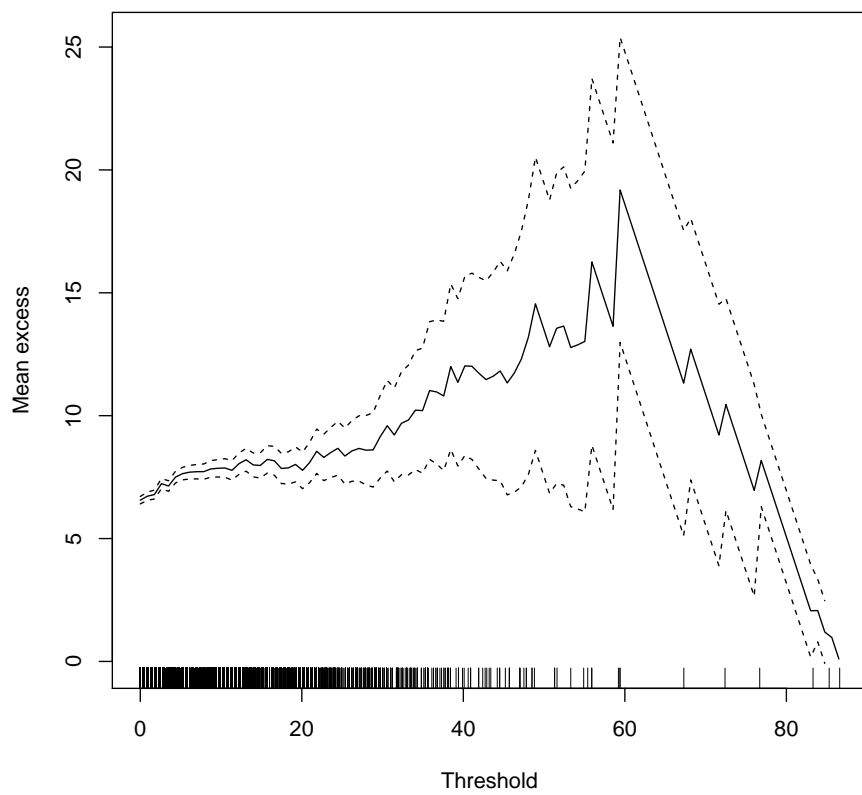


Figure 9: Output from running the validation suite.

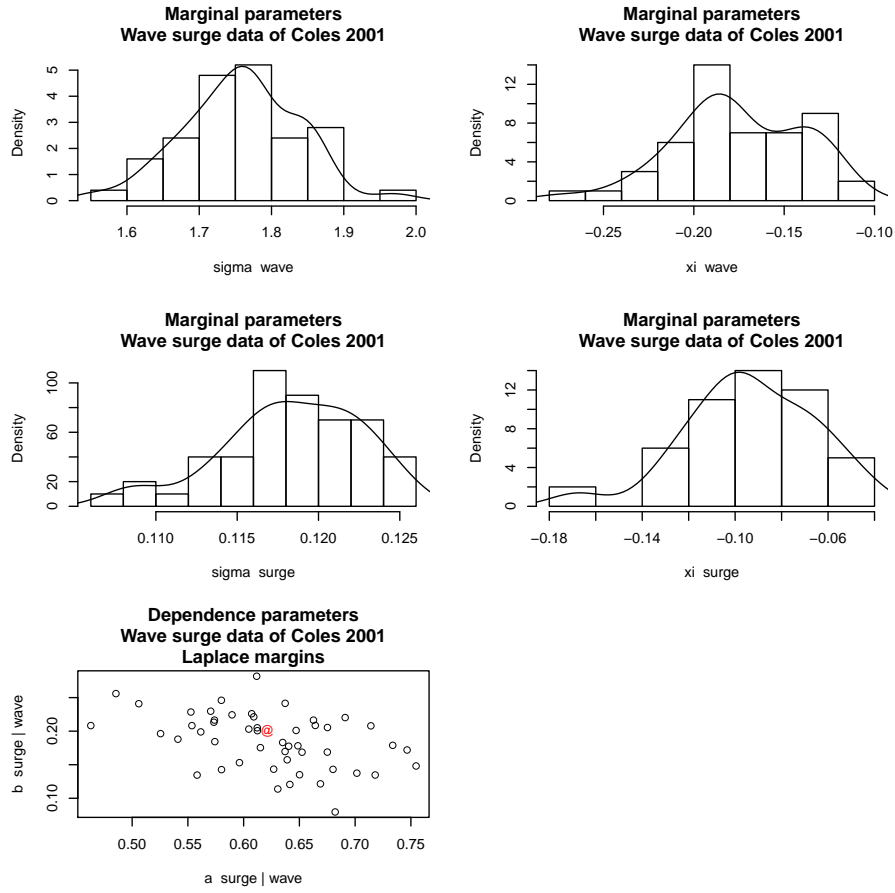


Figure 10: Output from running the validation suite.

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## Fitted values of  $\xi_i < -0.5$ 
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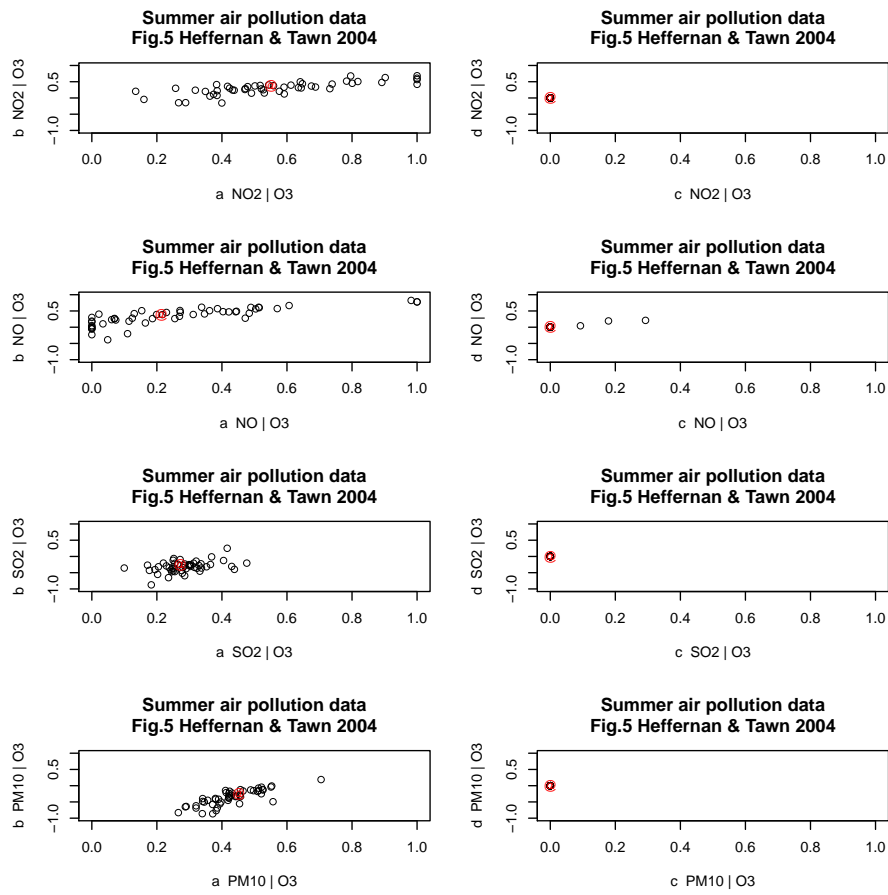


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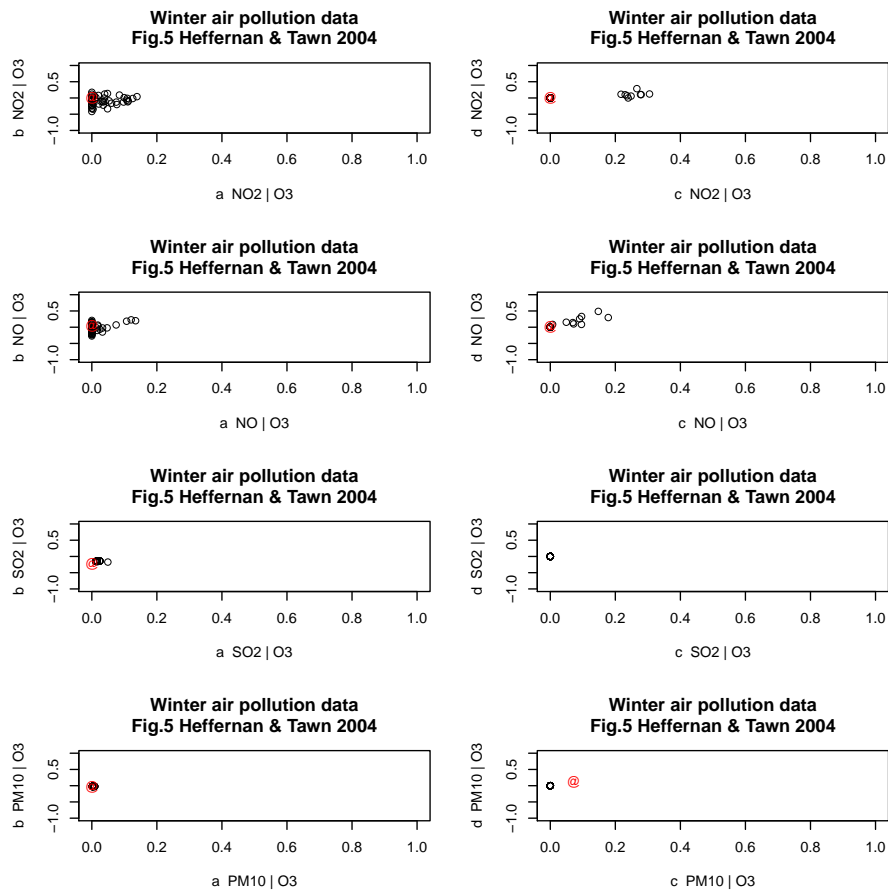


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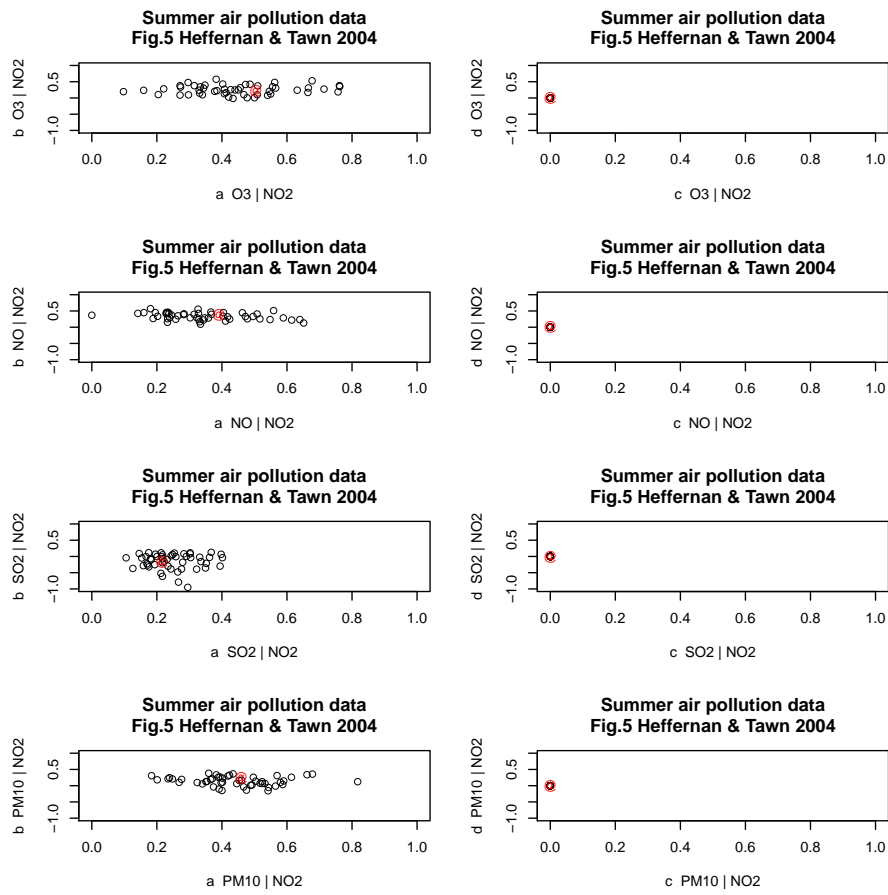


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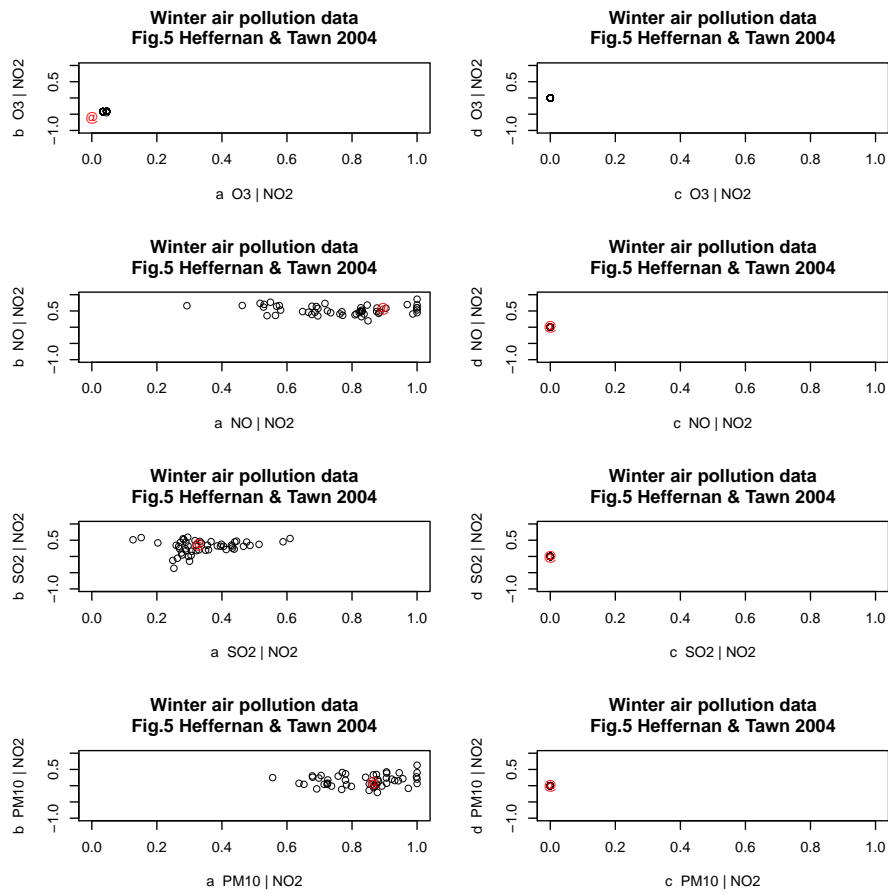


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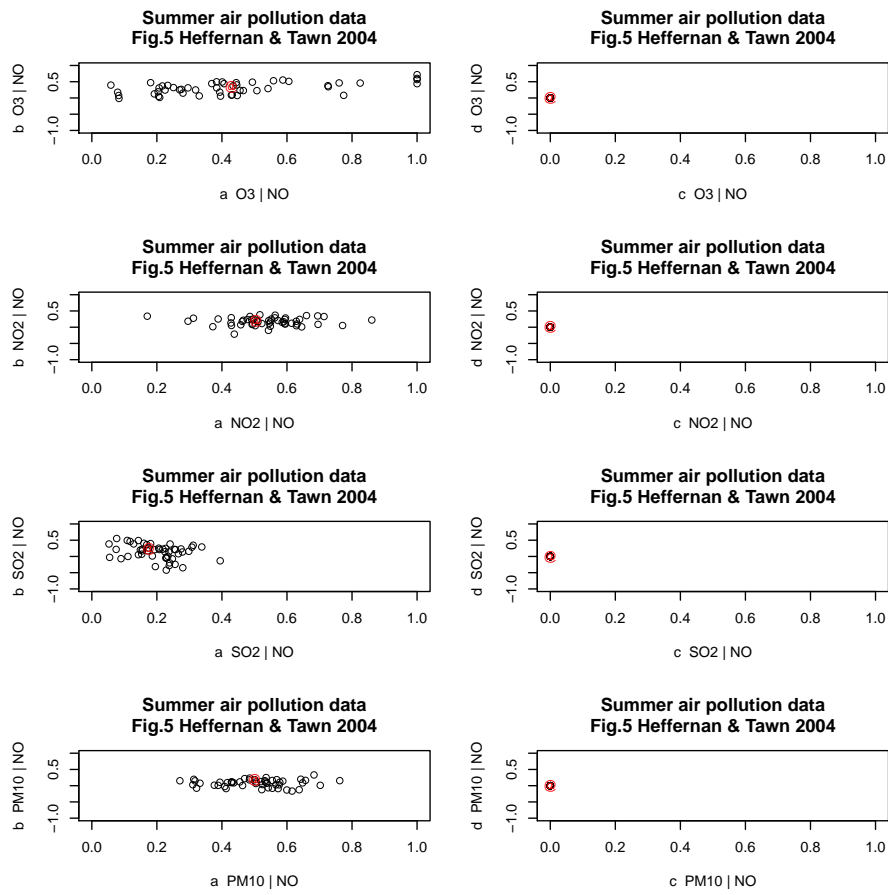


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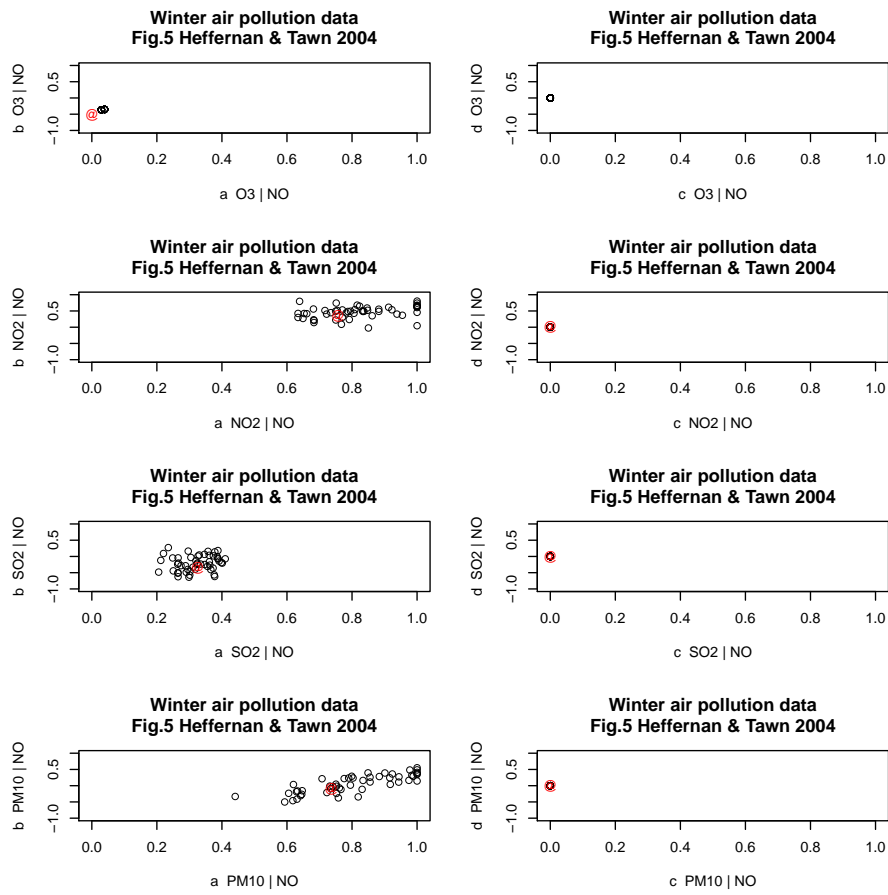


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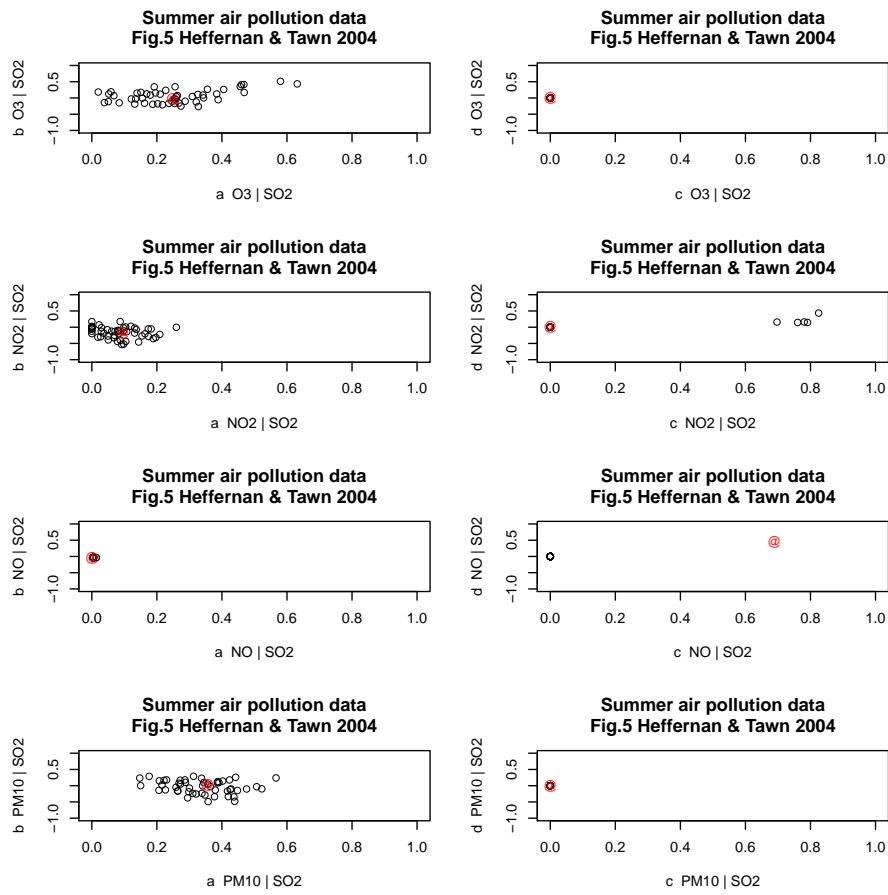


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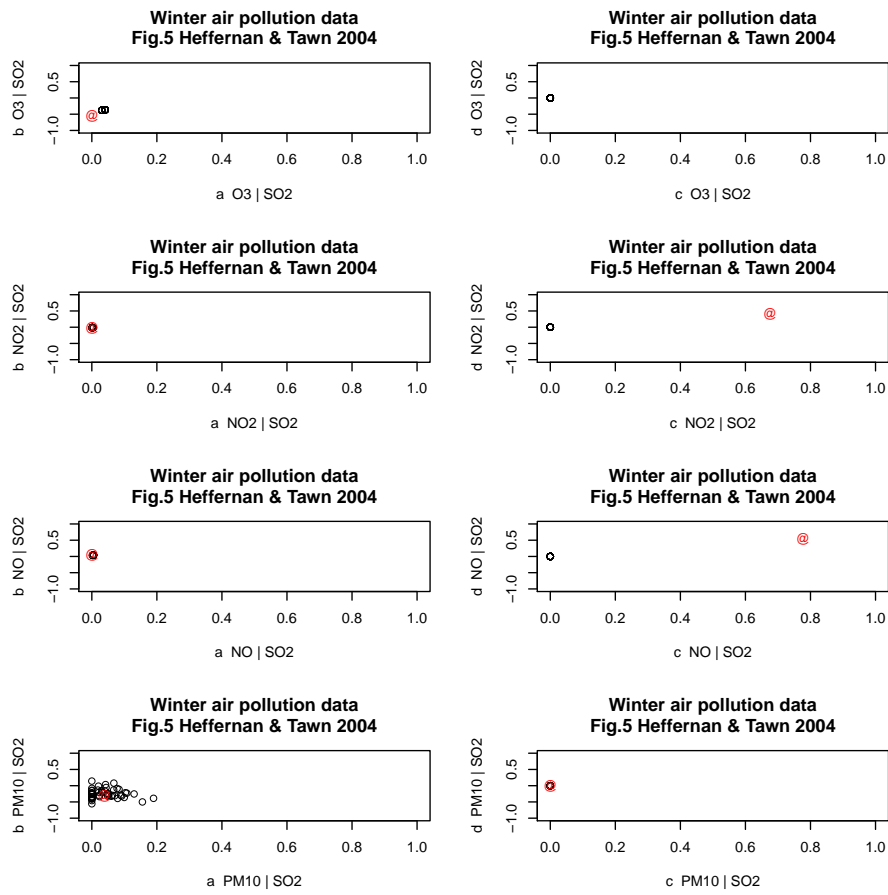


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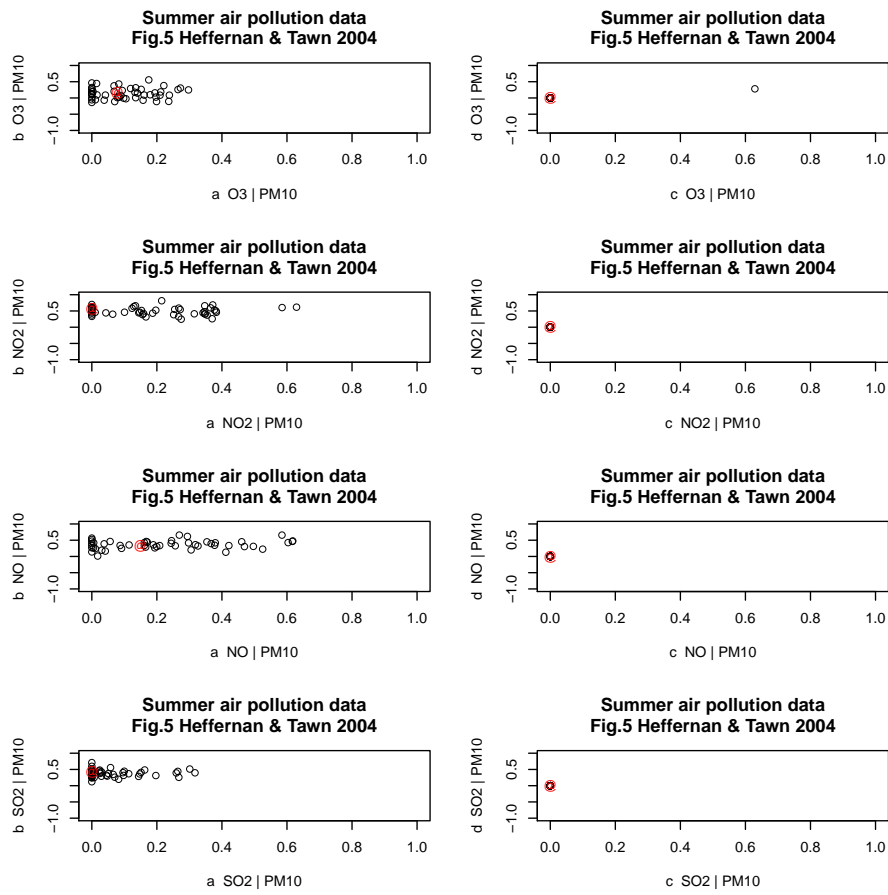


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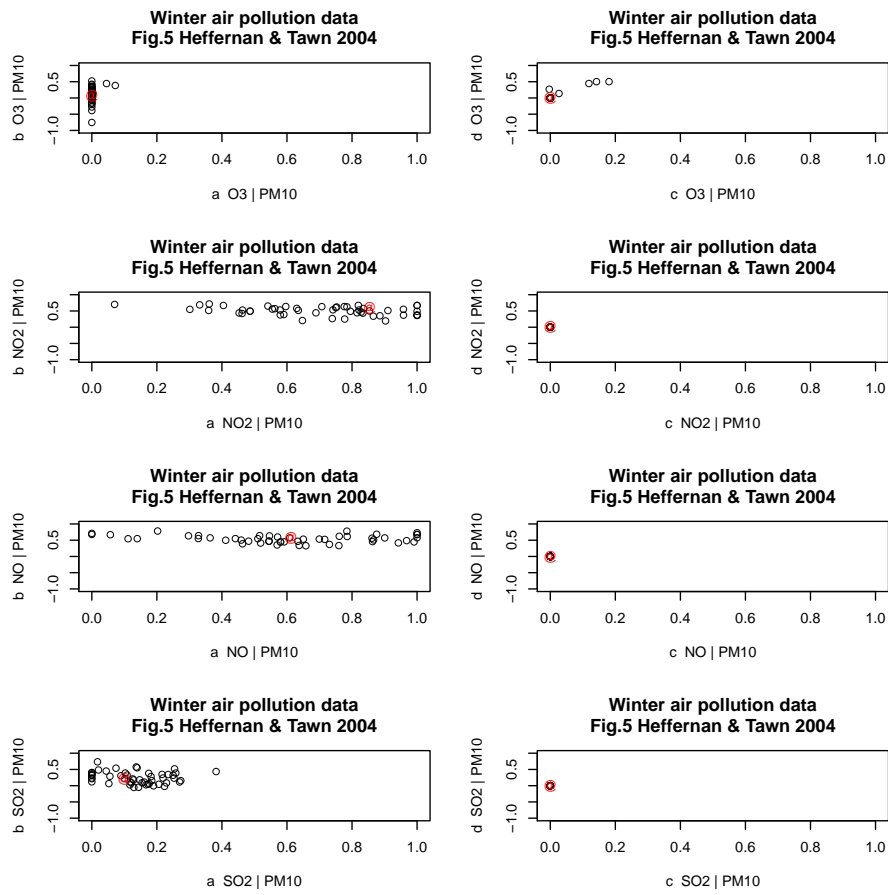


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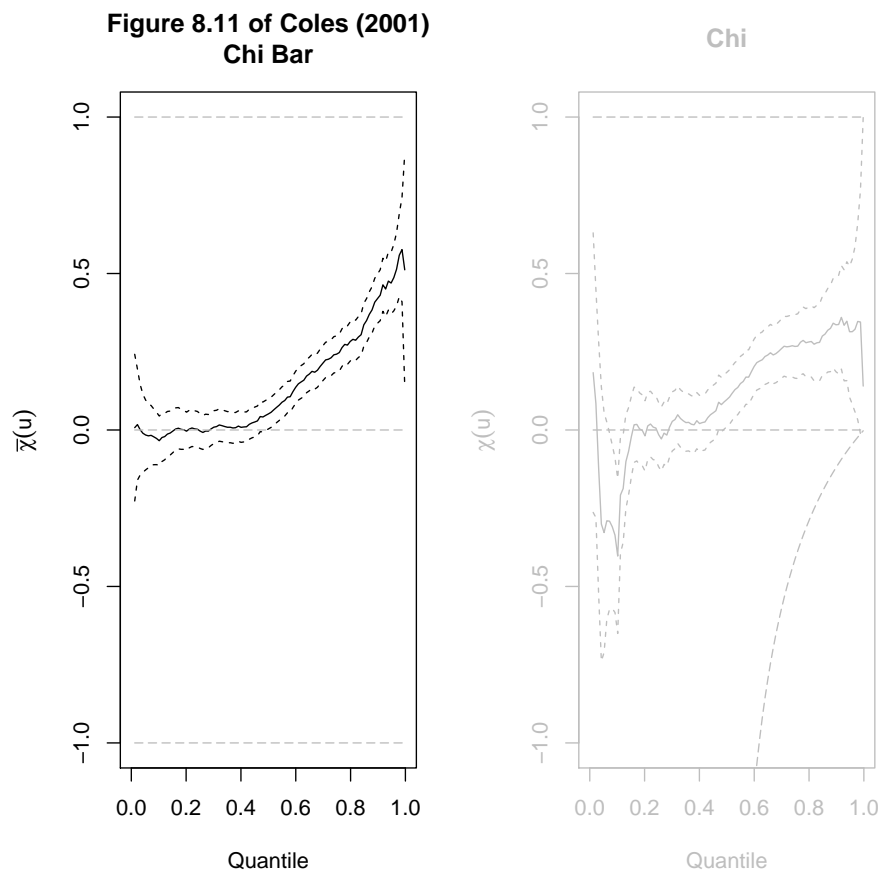


Figure 21: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## ...
## plot.chi :
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## .
## plot.evmOpt :
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## .
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## .
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## .
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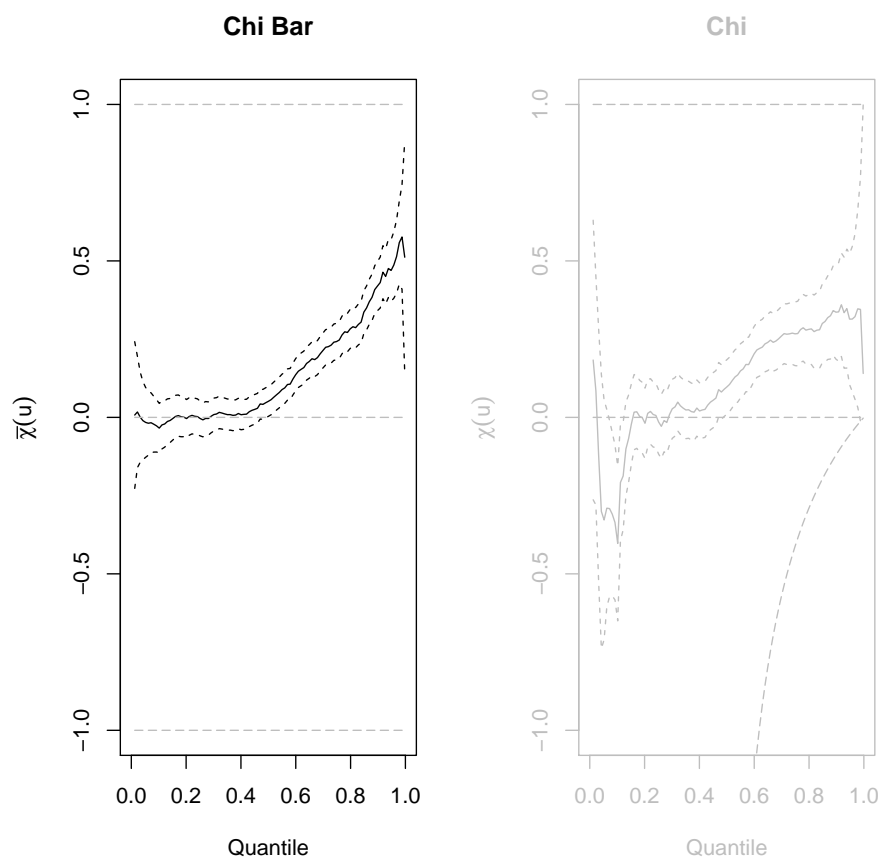


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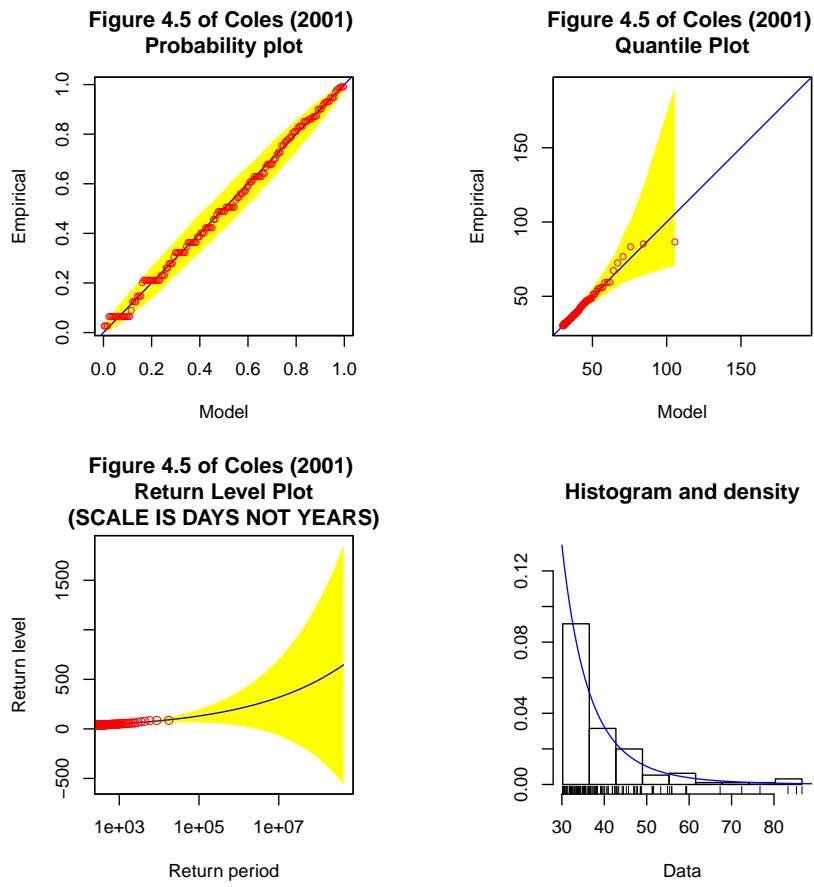


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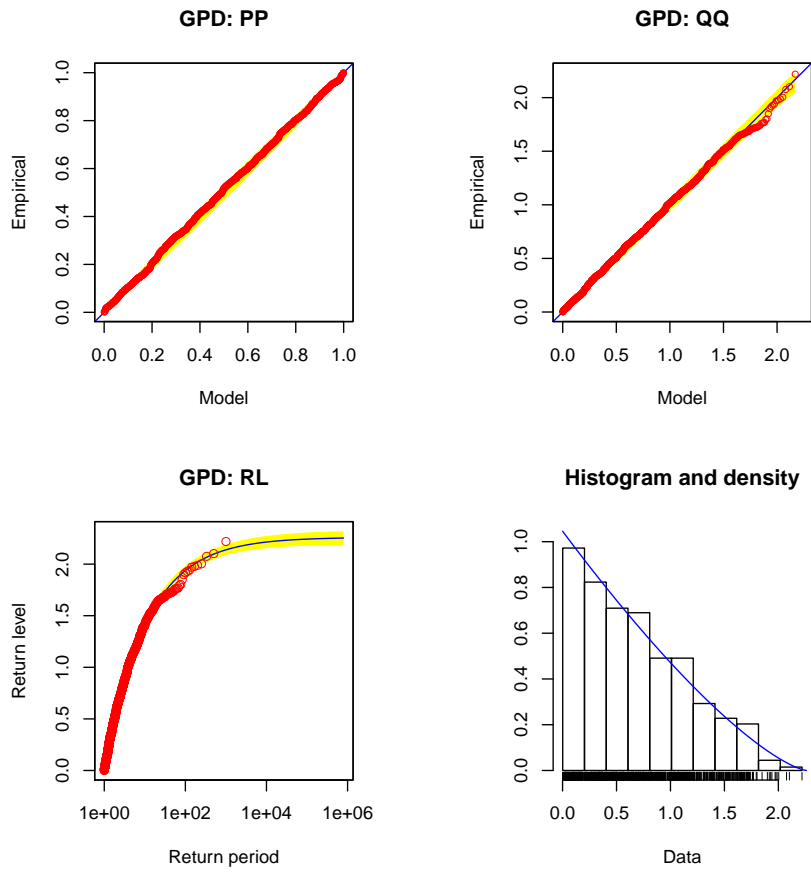


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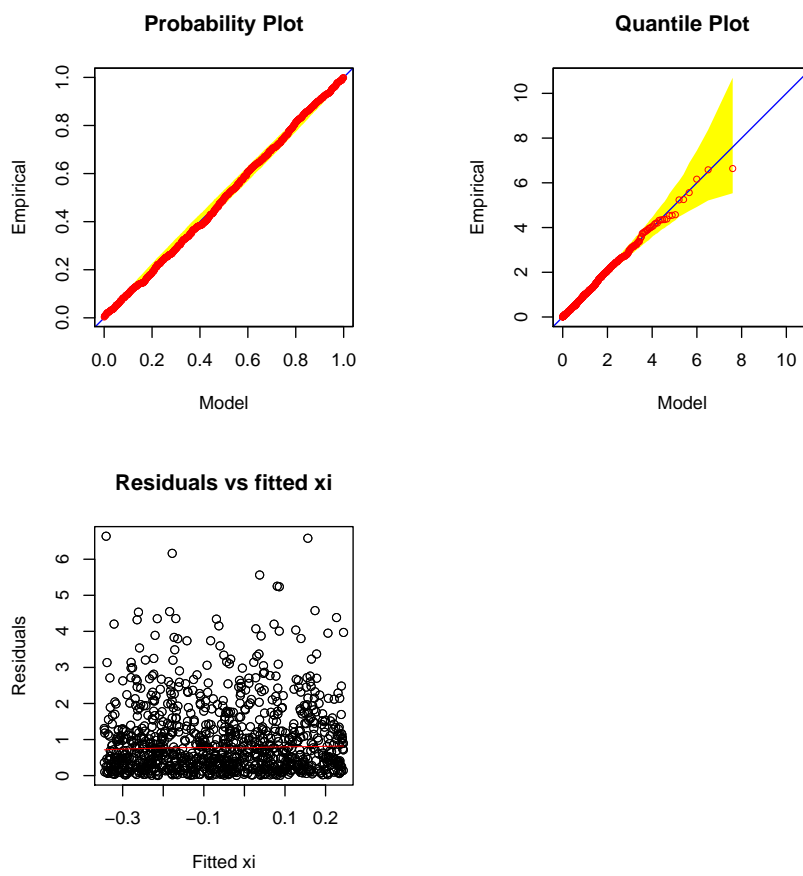


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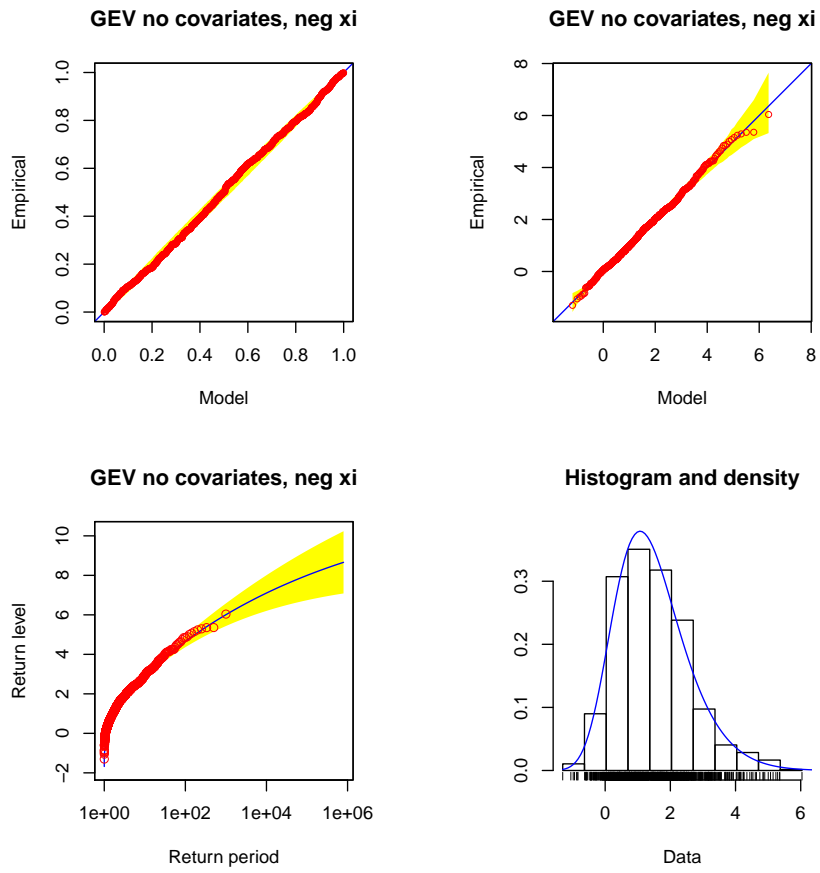


Figure 26: Output from running the validation suite.

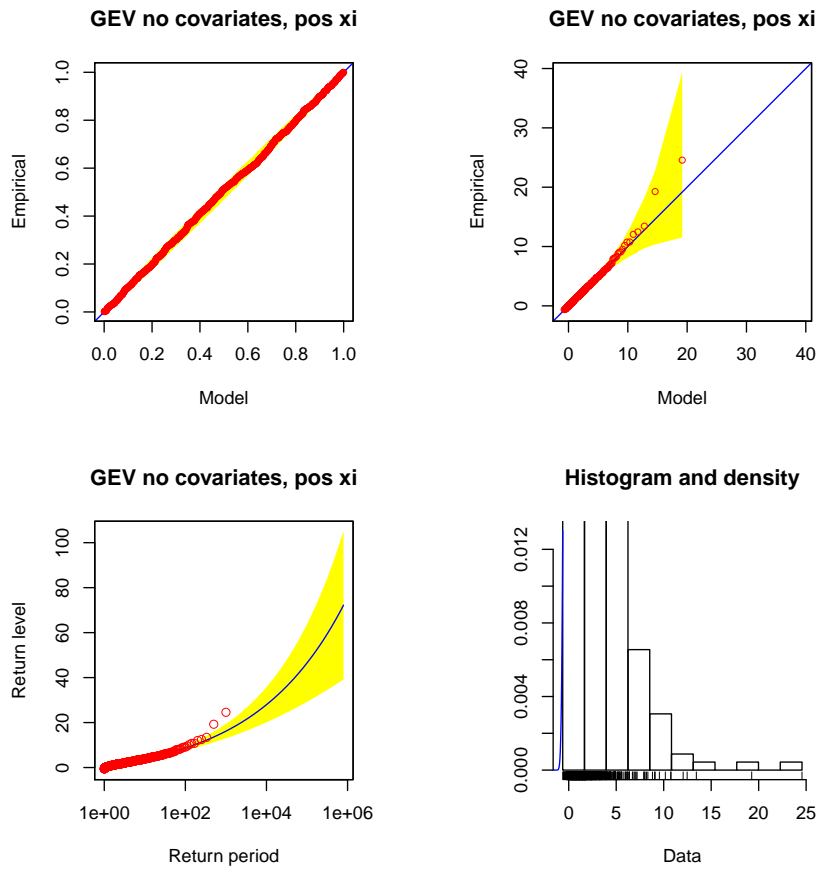


Figure 27: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## .
```

```
## .
```

```
## .
```

```
## .
## plot.mex :
```

```
## ..
```

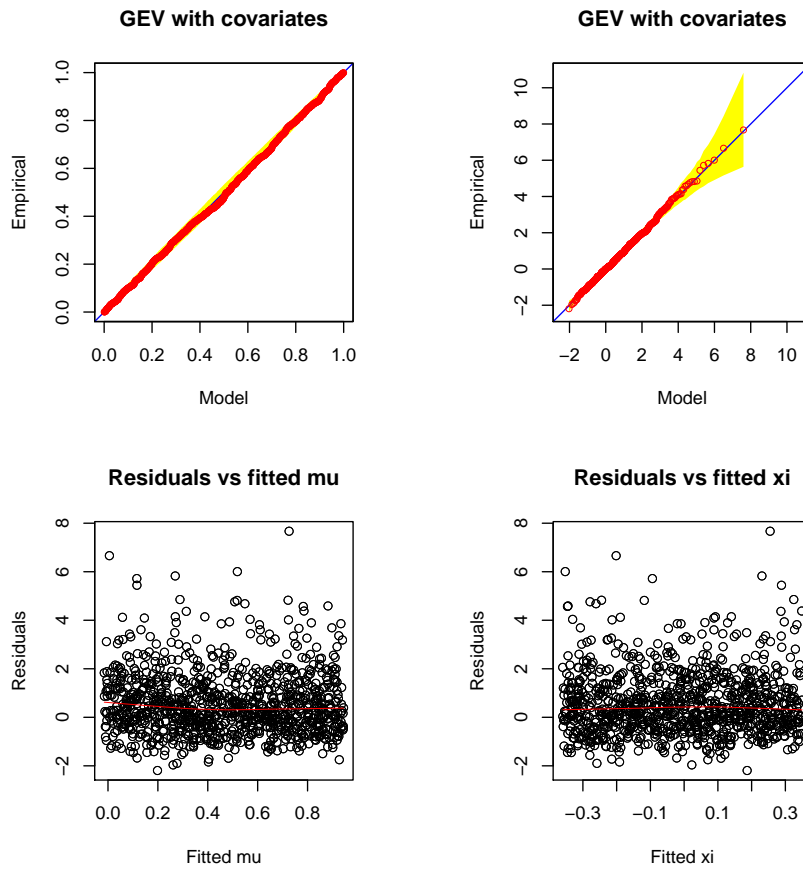


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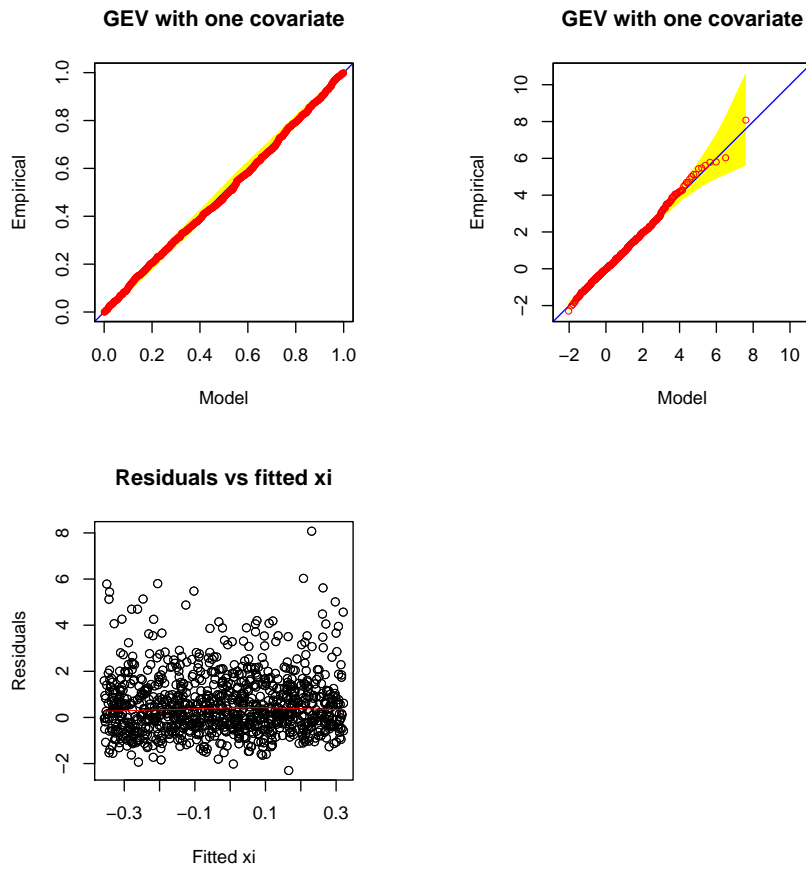


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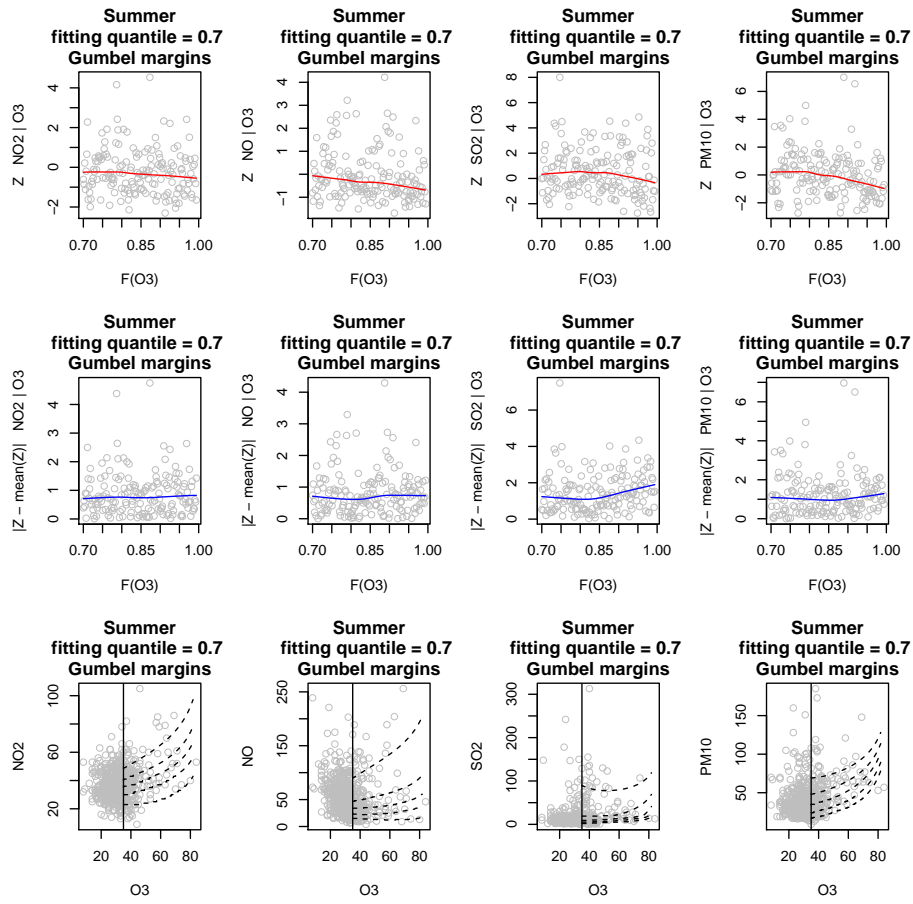


Figure 30: Output from running the validation suite.

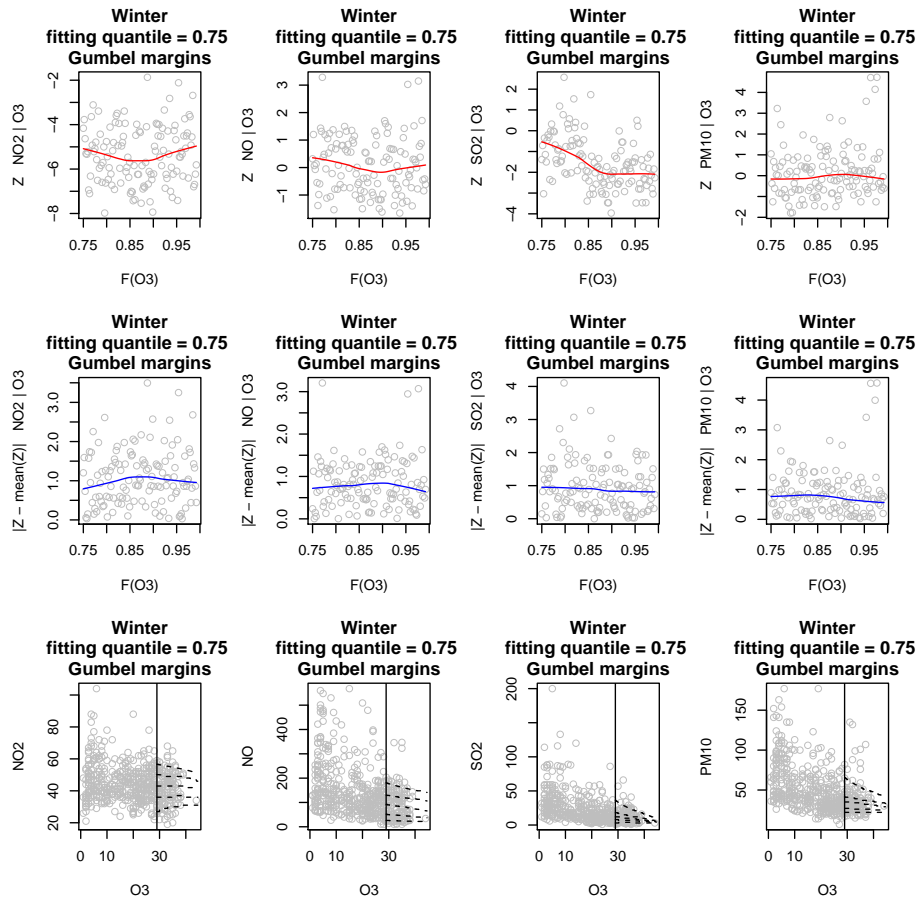


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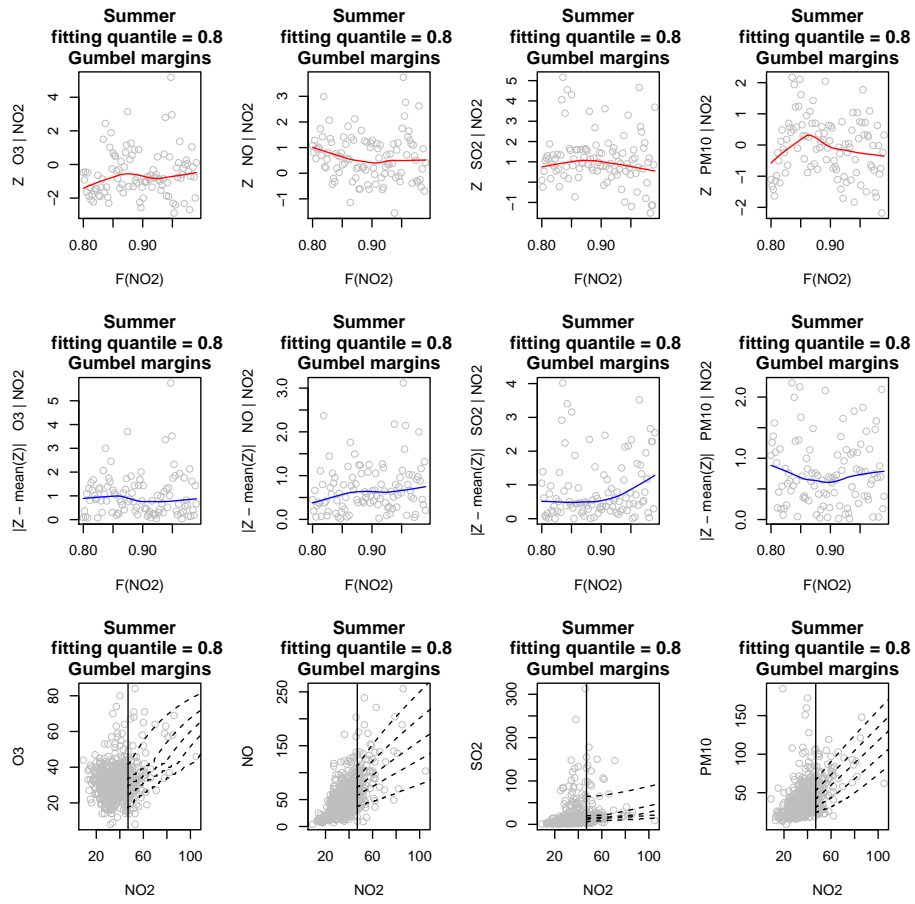


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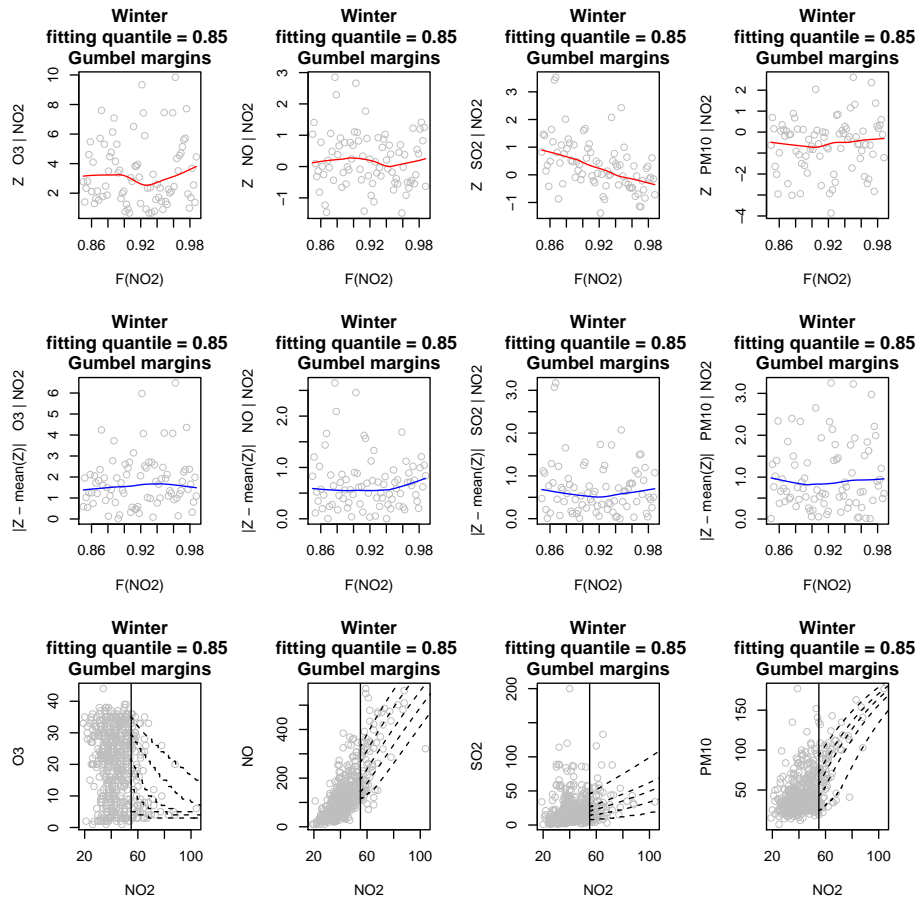


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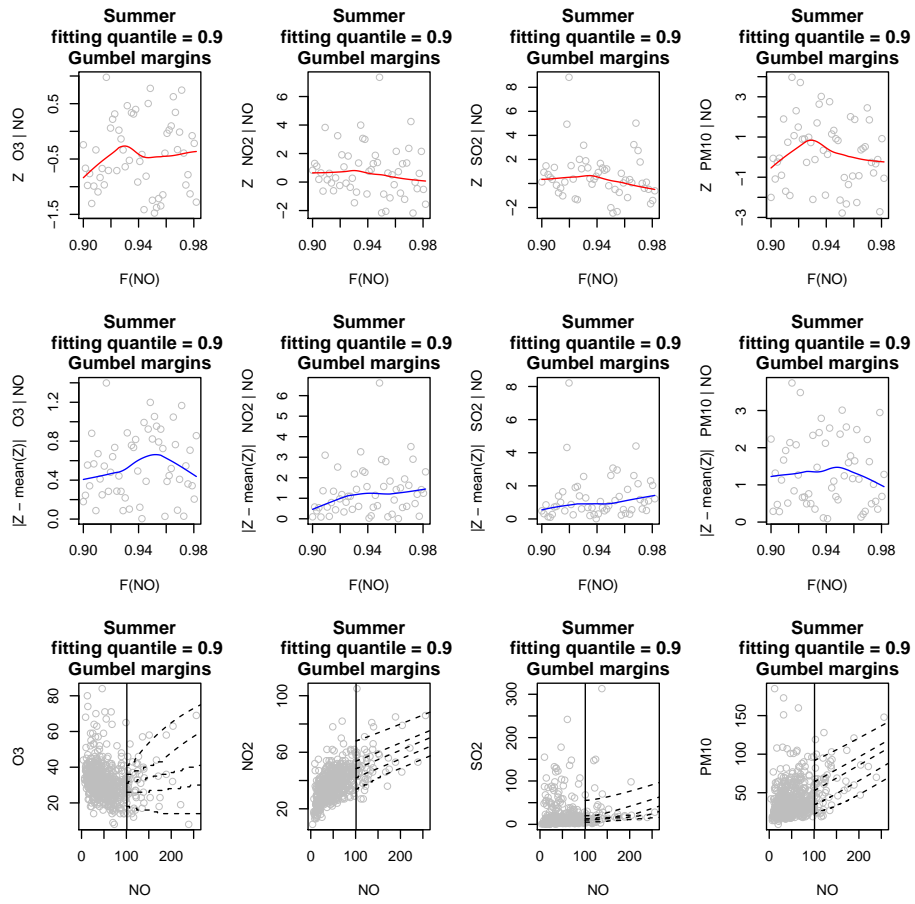


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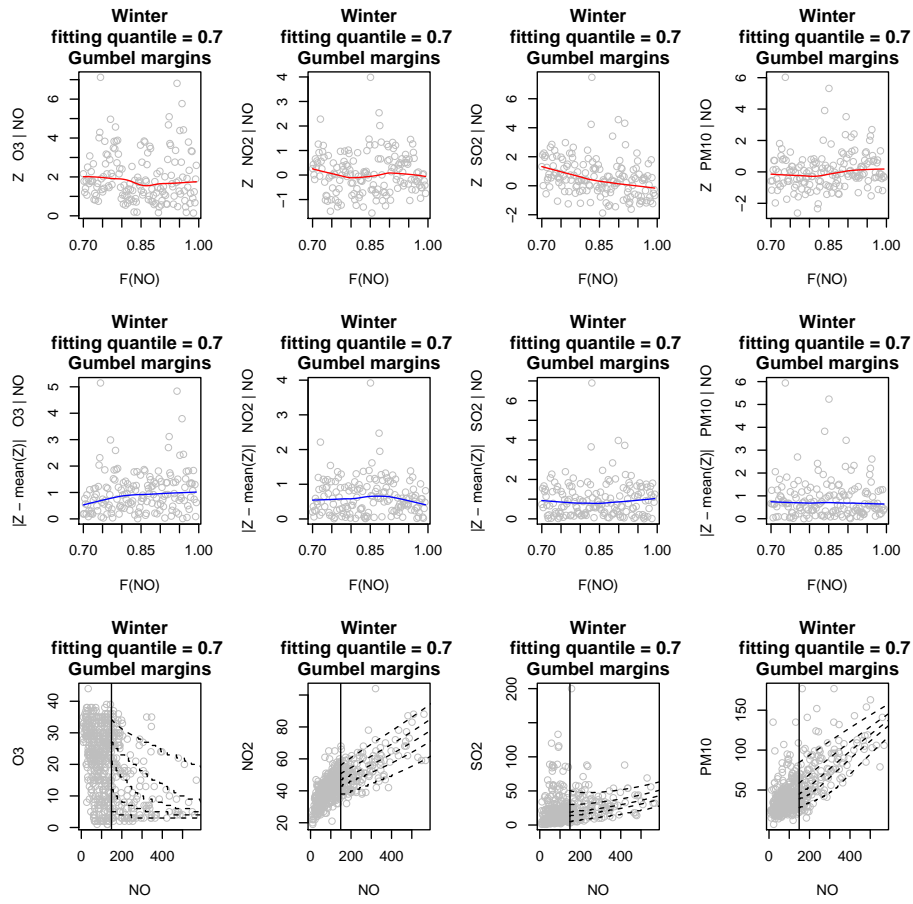


Figure 35: Output from running the validation suite.

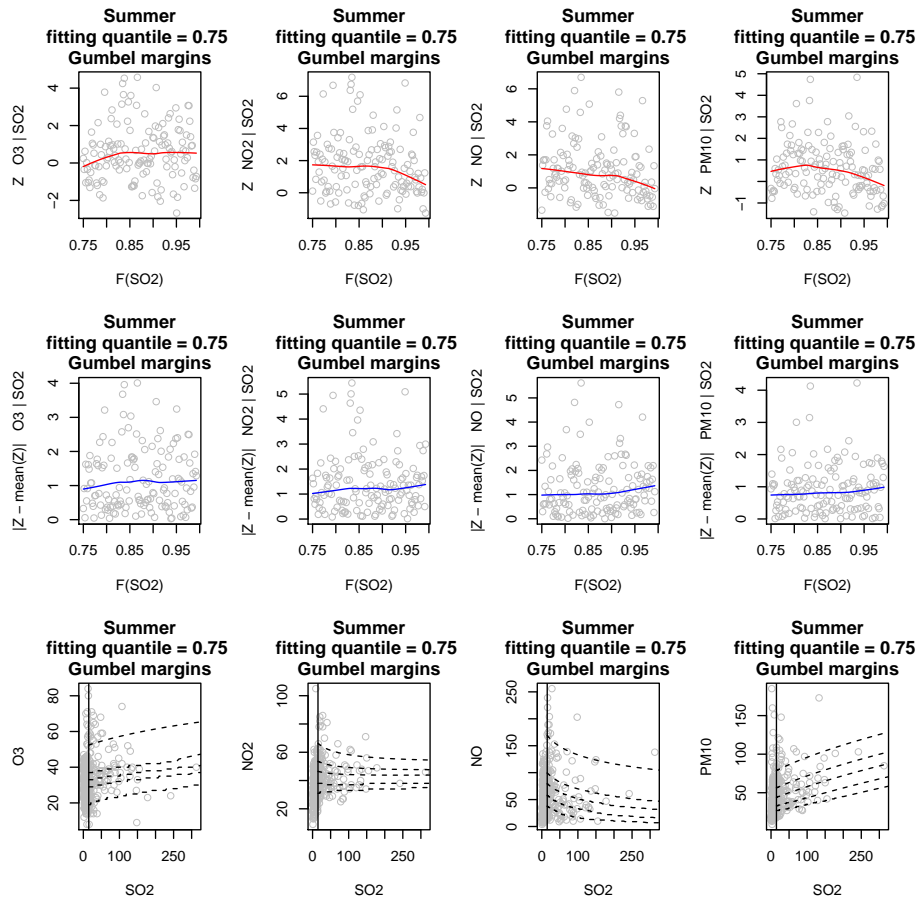


Figure 36: Output from running the validation suite.

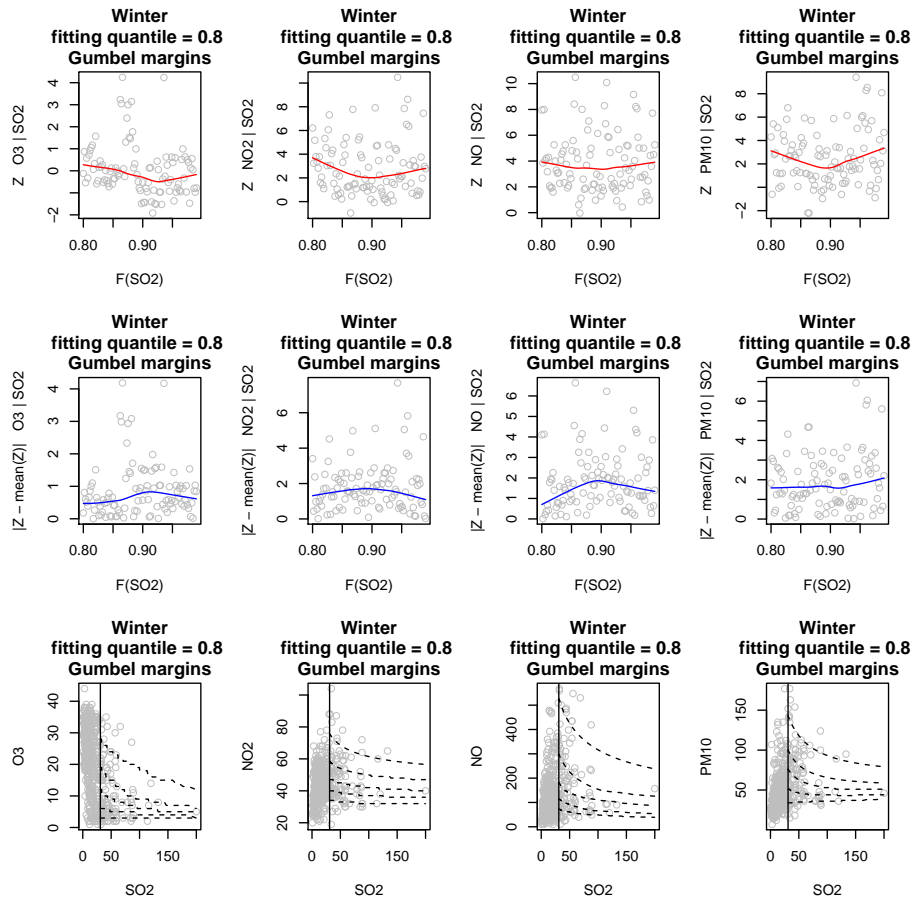


Figure 37: Output from running the validation suite.

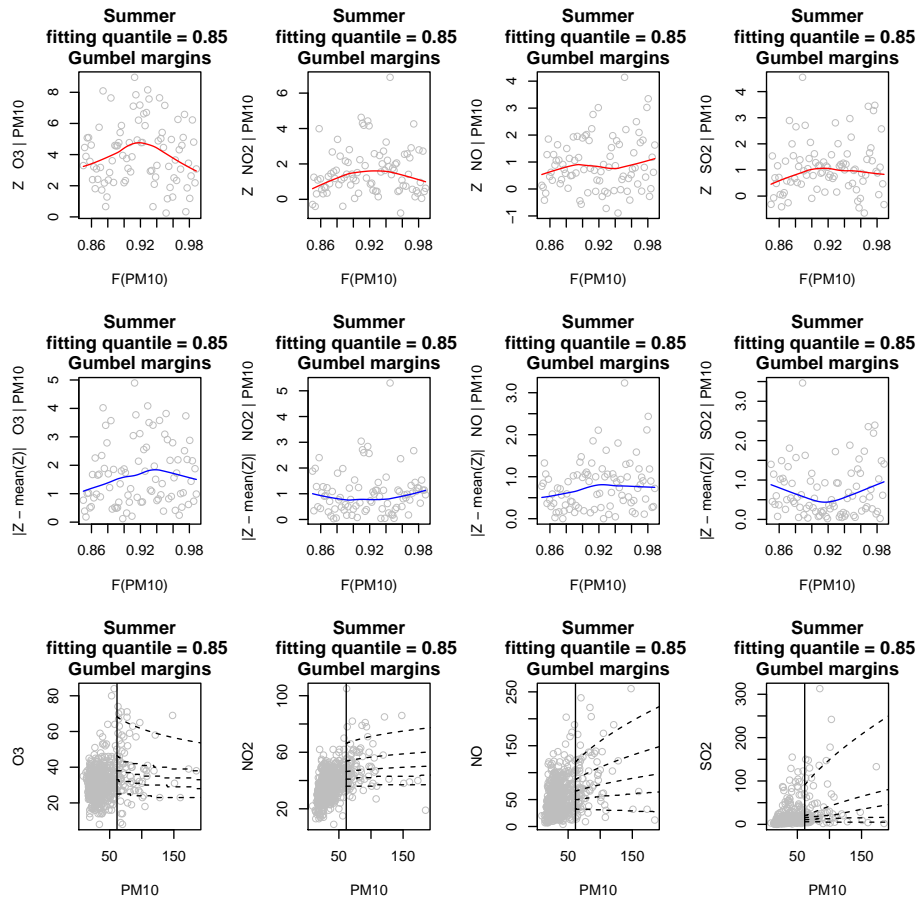


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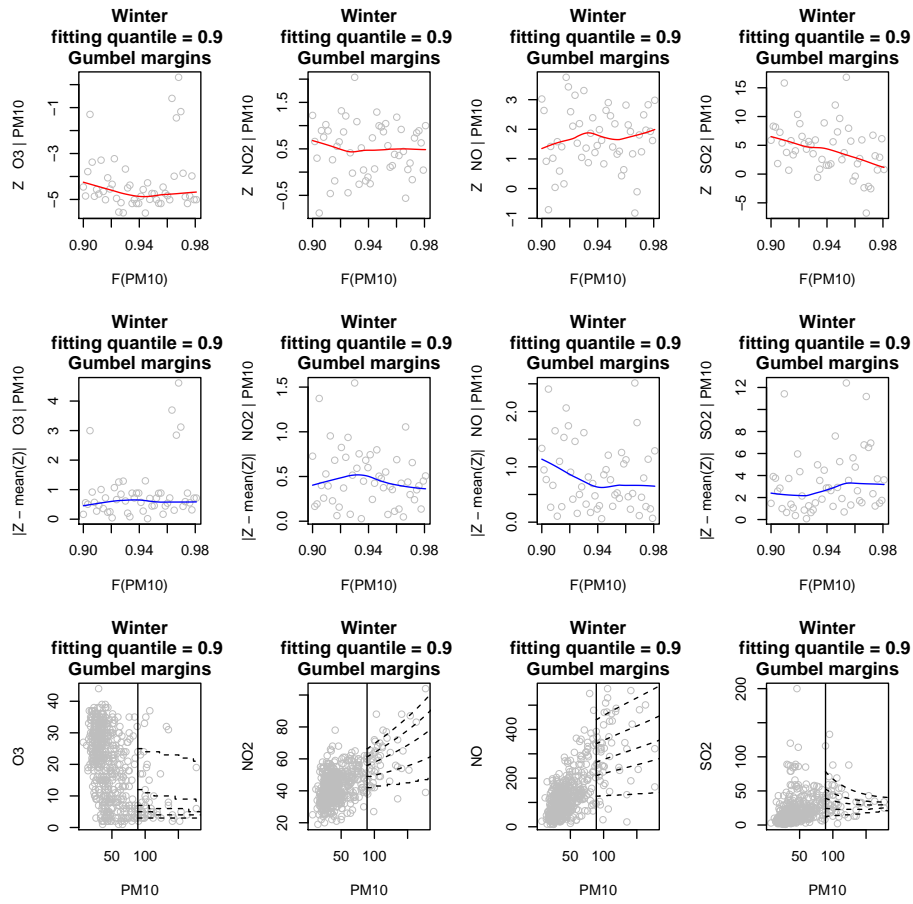


Figure 39: Output from running the validation suite.

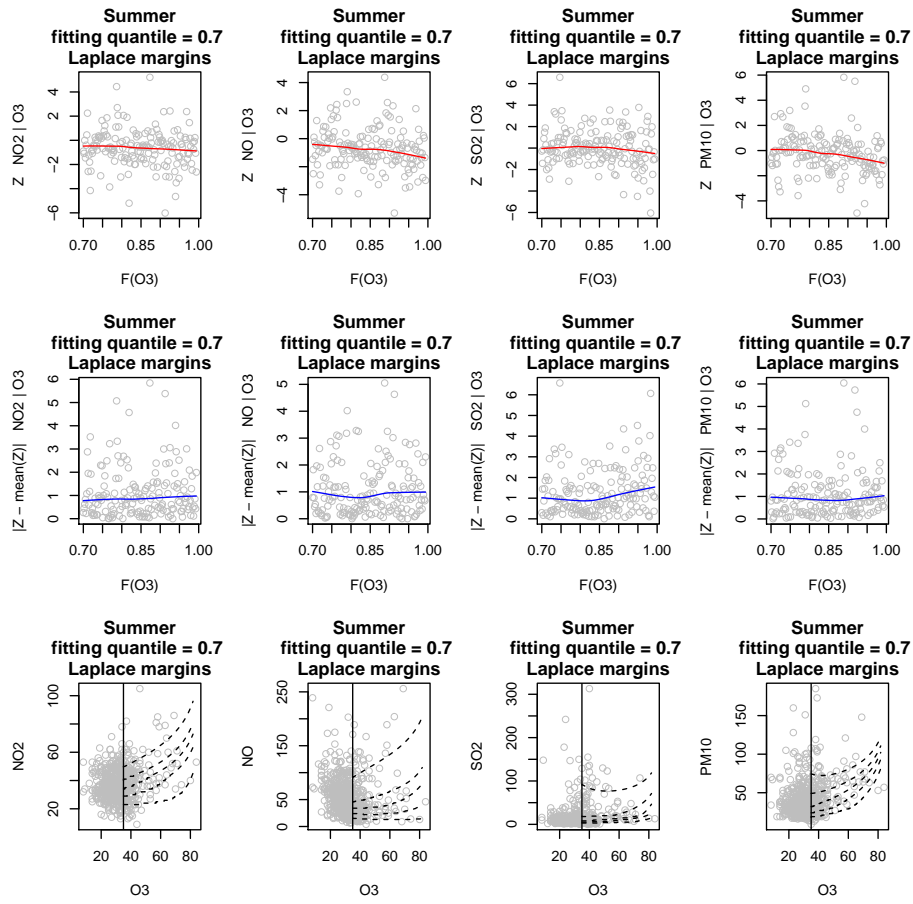


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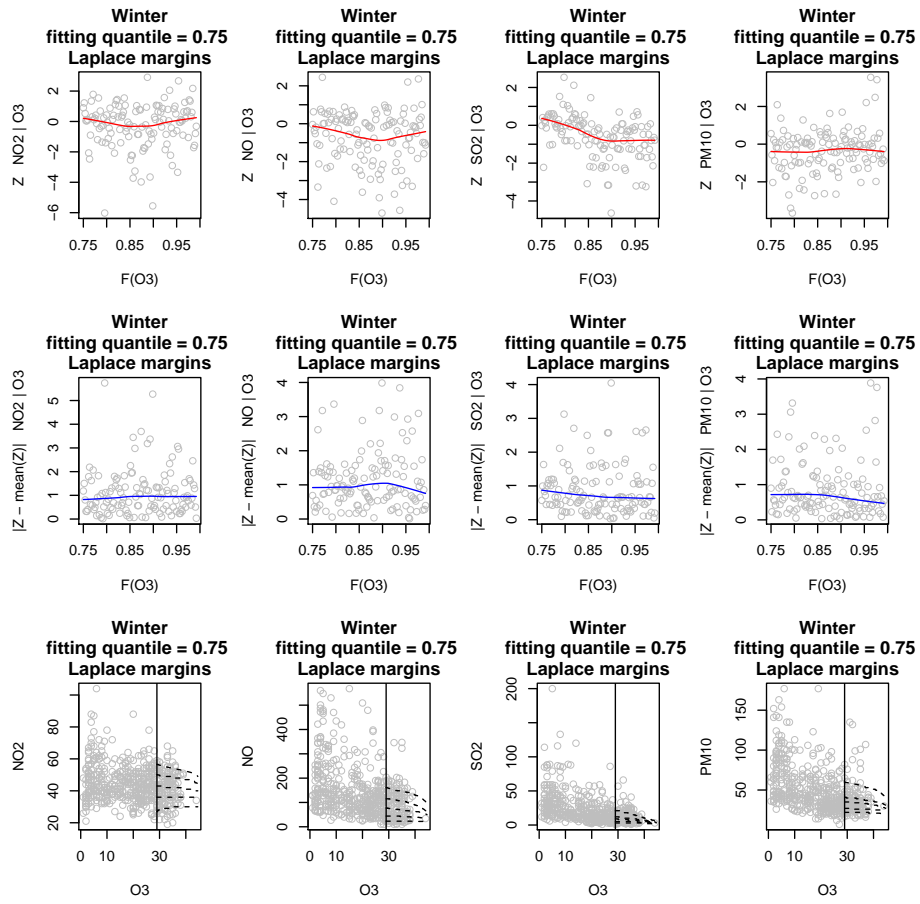


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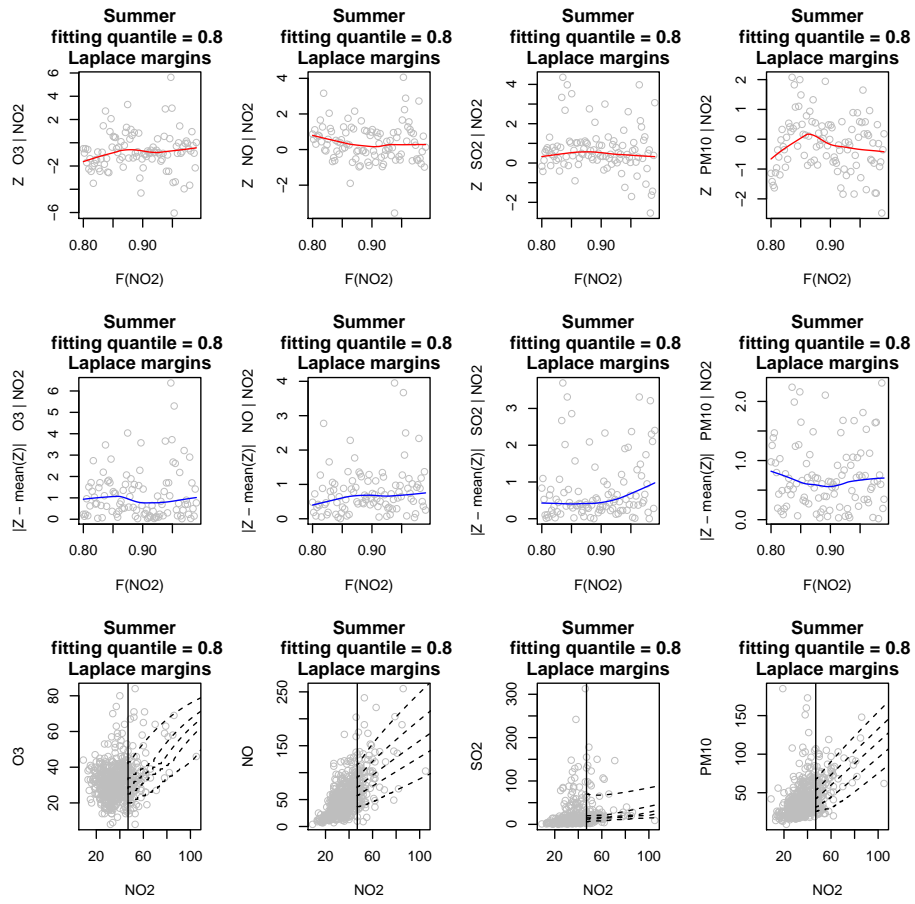


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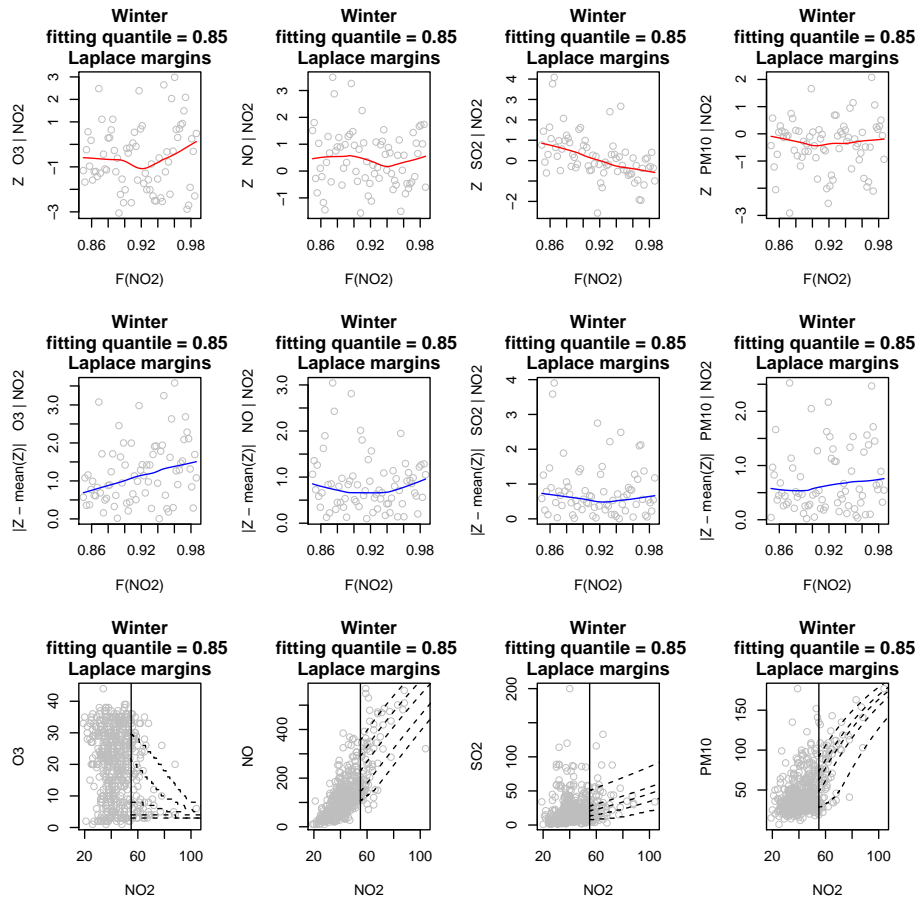


Figure 43: Output from running the validation suite.

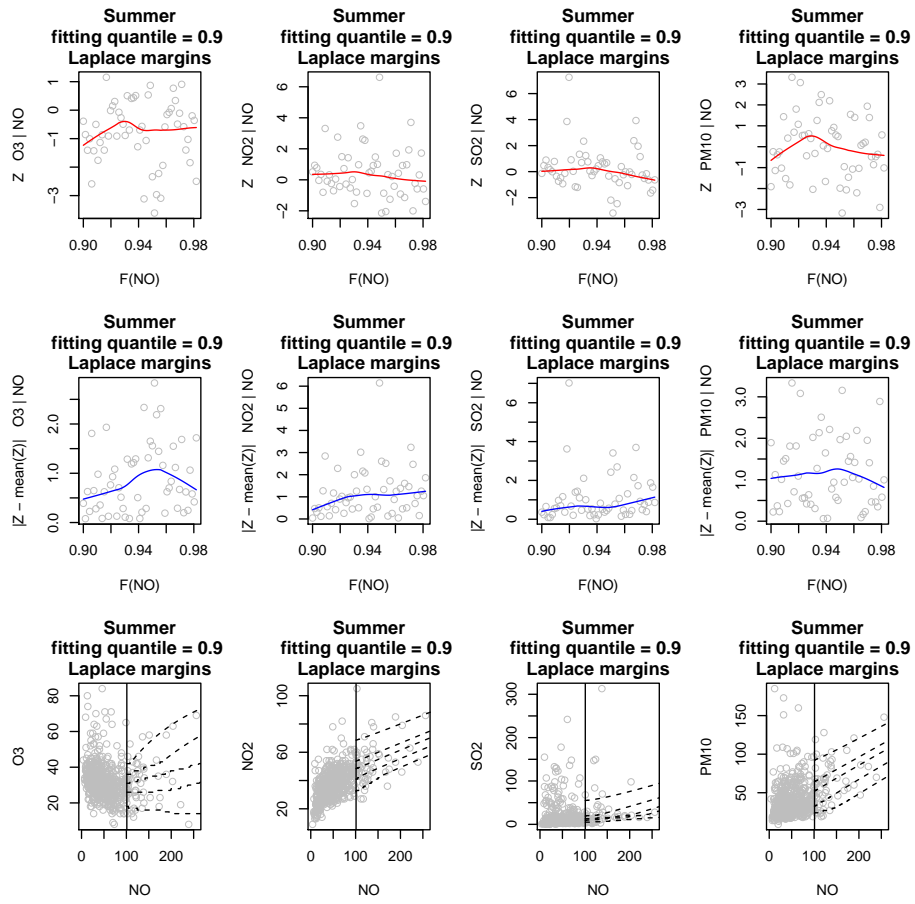


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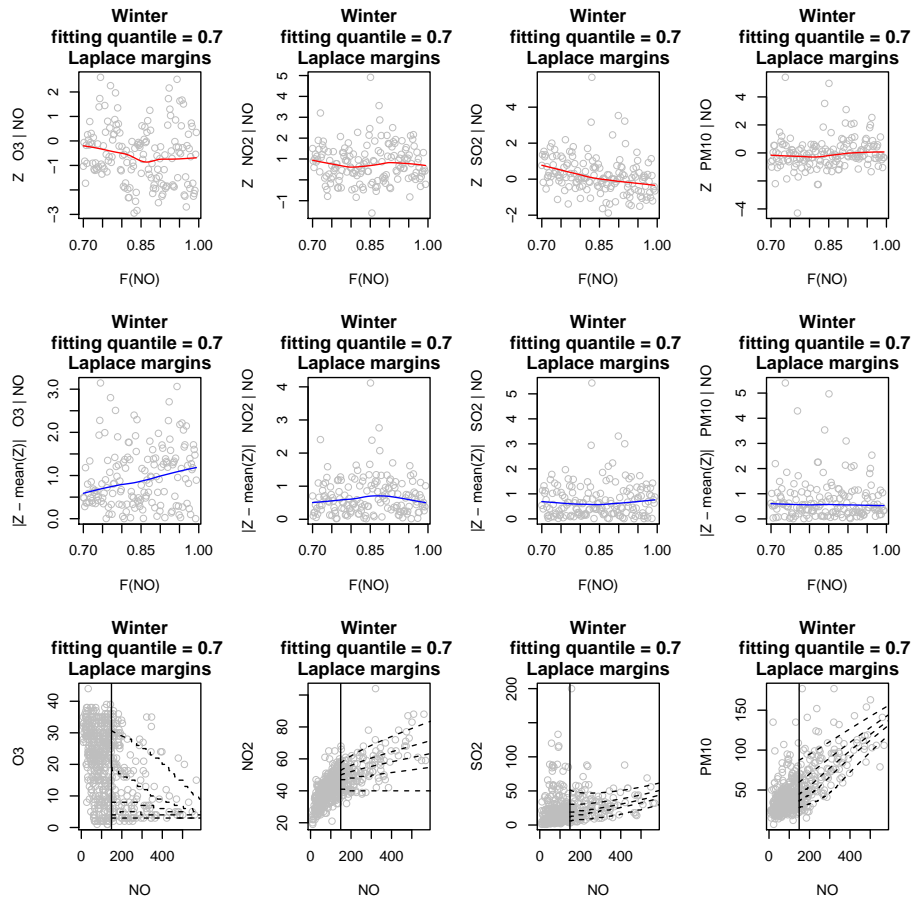


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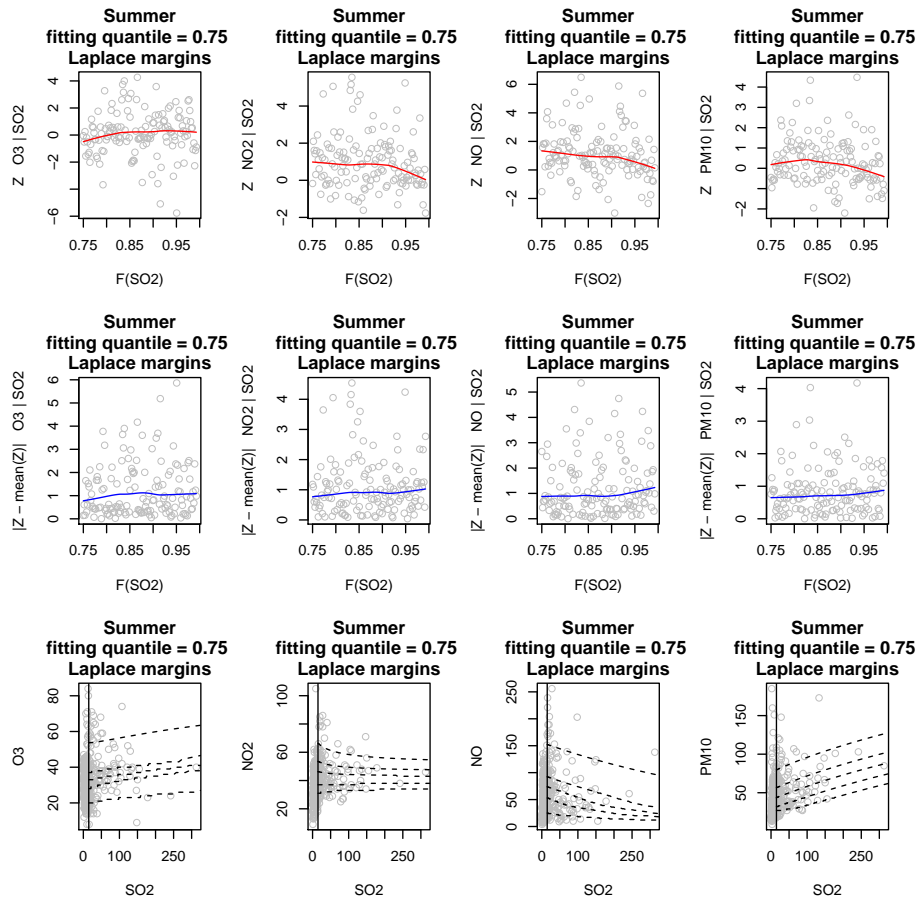


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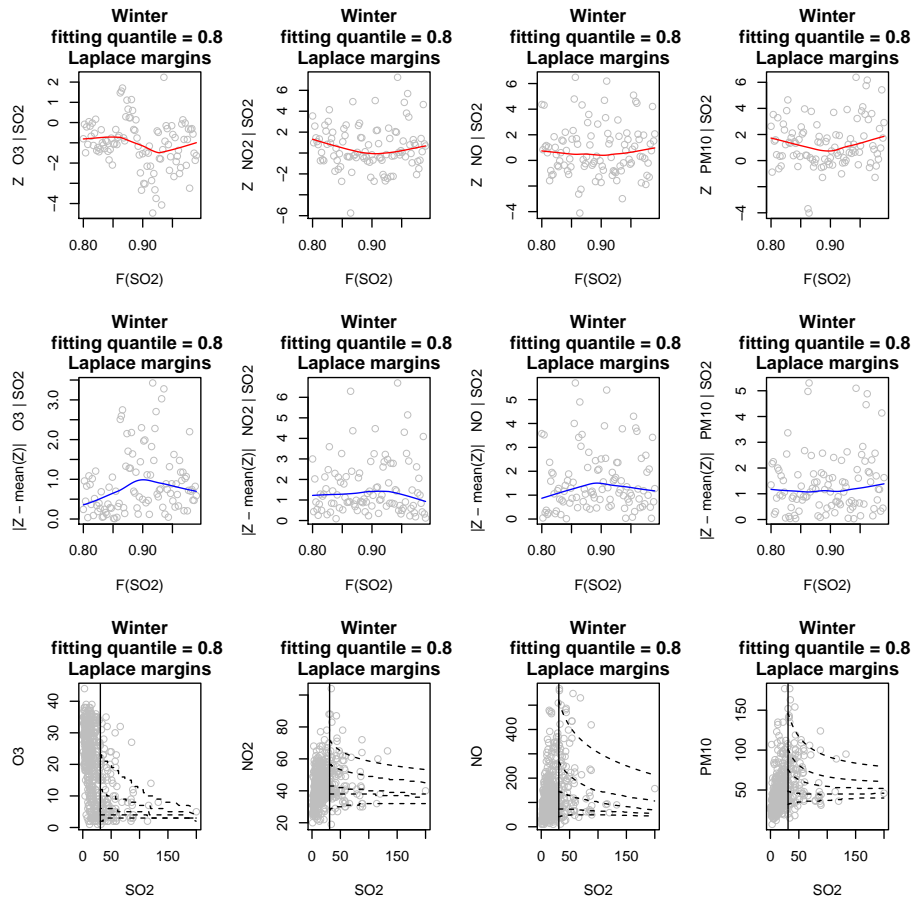


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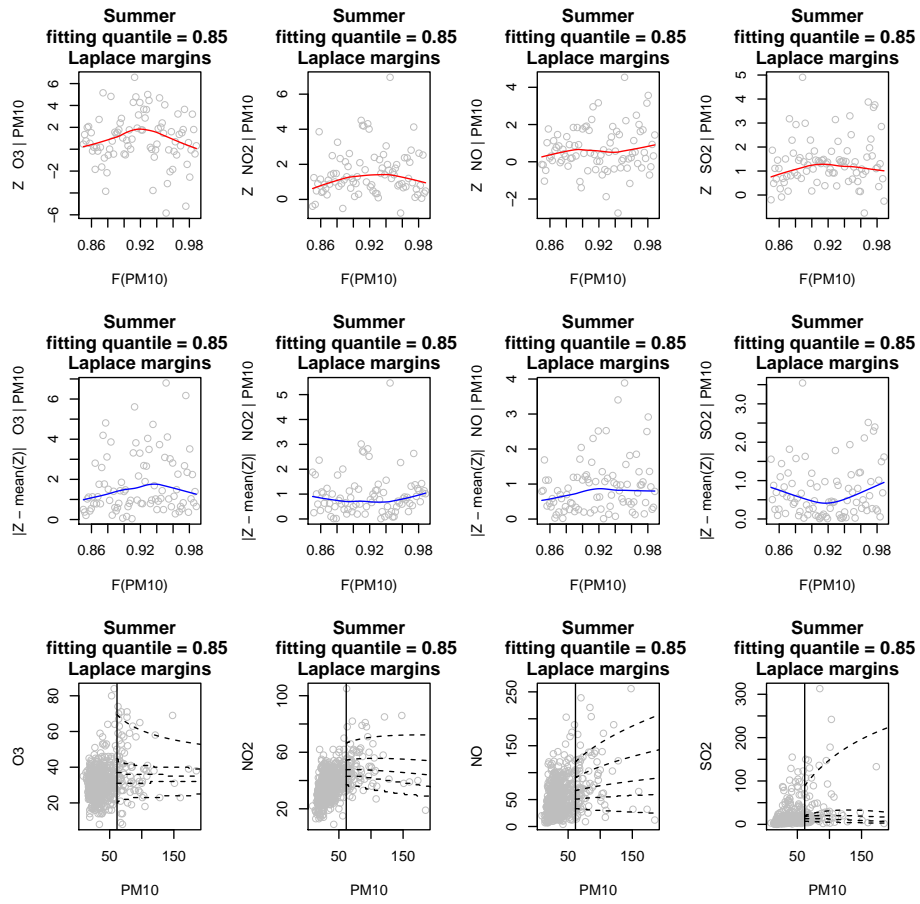


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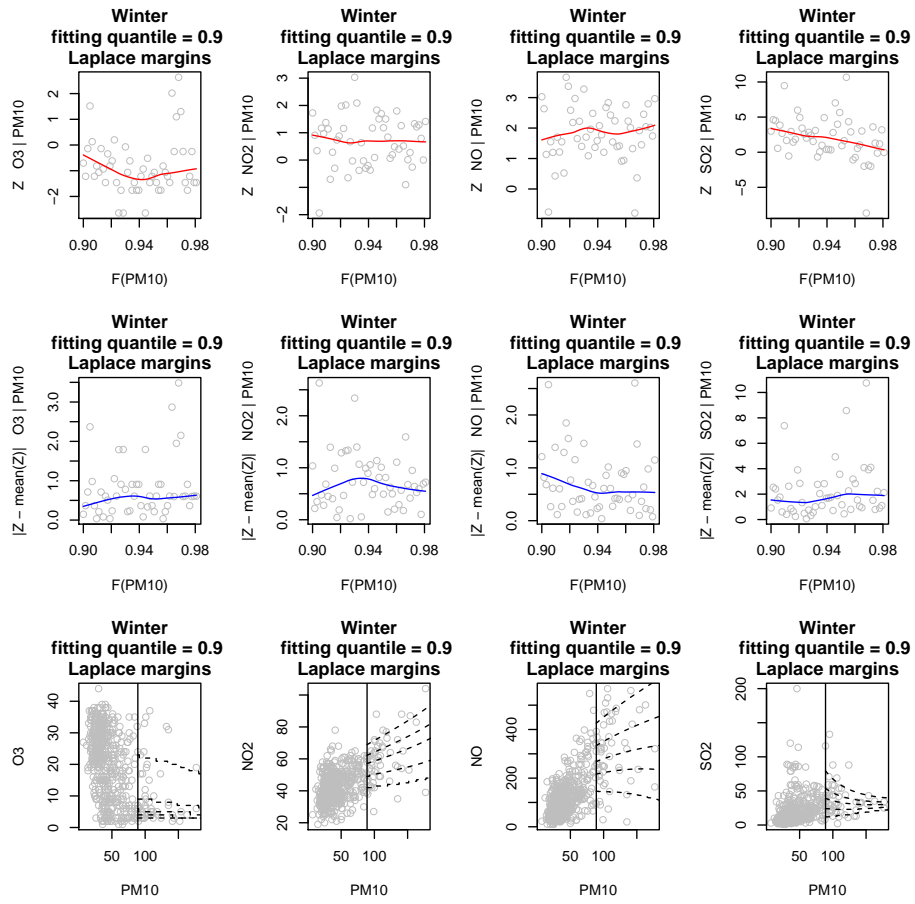


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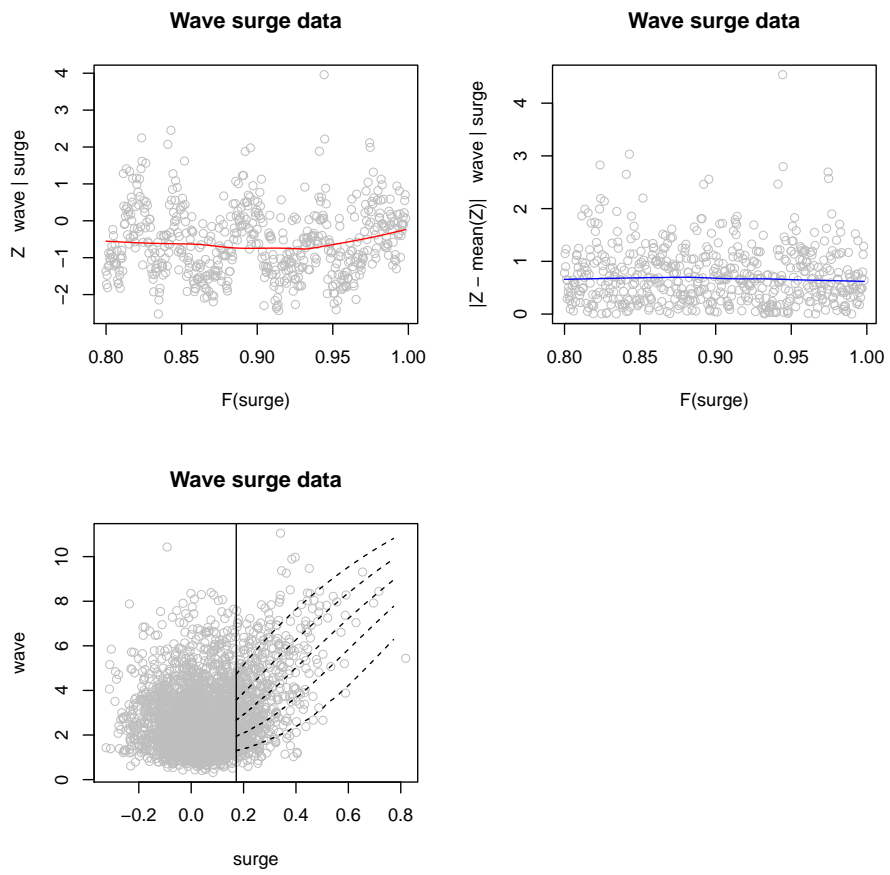


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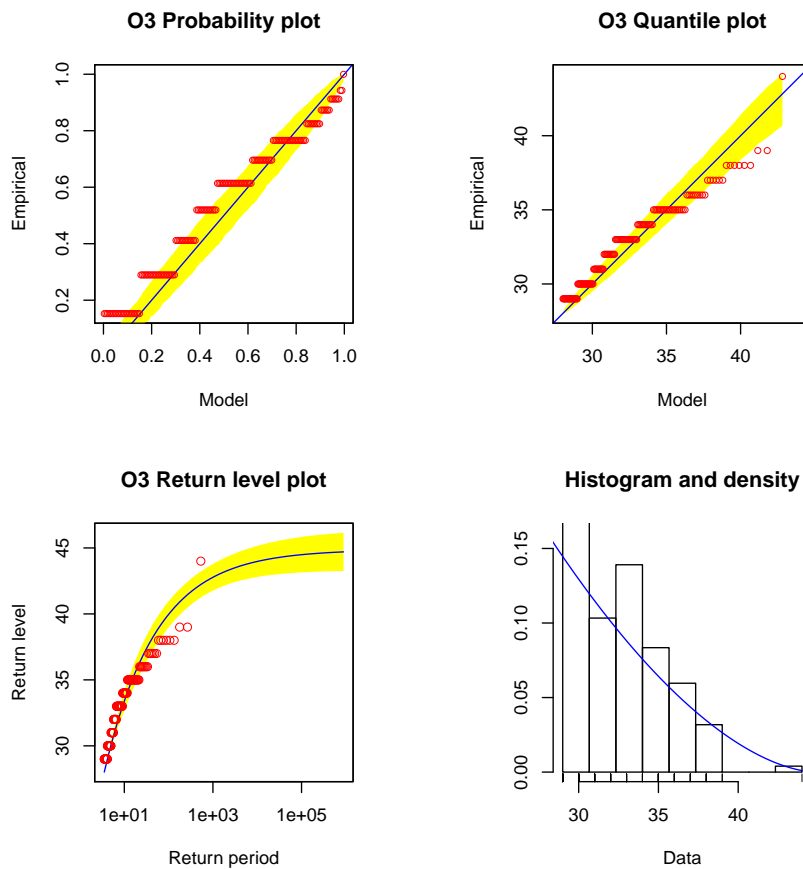


Figure 51: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## .
## plot.migpd :
```

```
## .
## plot.predict.evm :
## ...
```

Ratio of bias to standard error is high

Ratio of bias to standard error is high

```
## ...
```

Ratio of bias to standard error is high

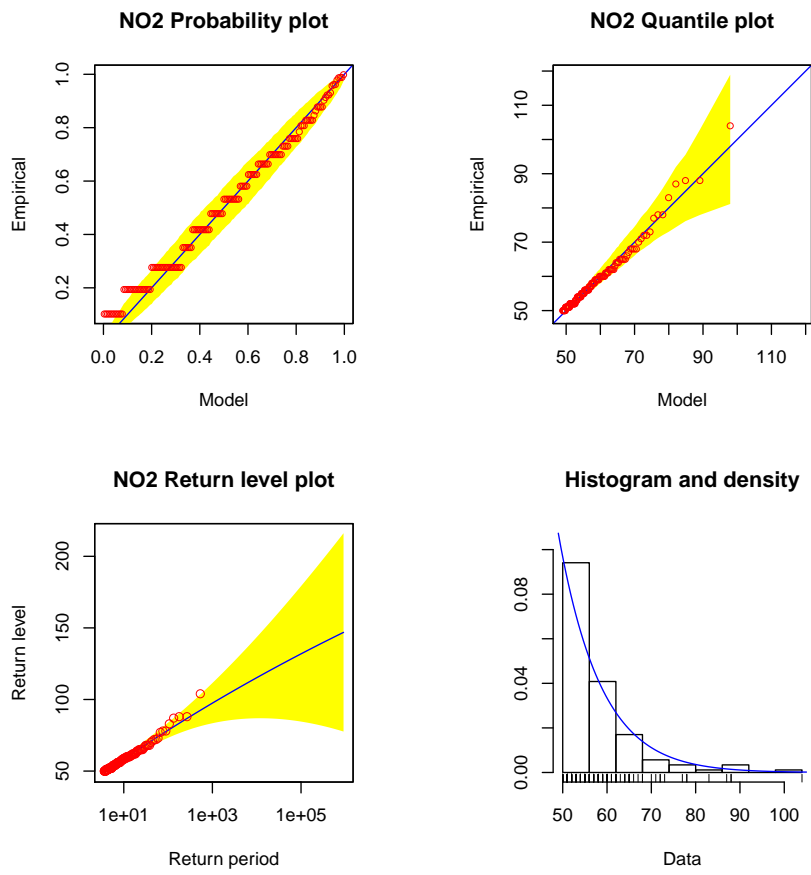


Figure 52: Output from running the validation suite.

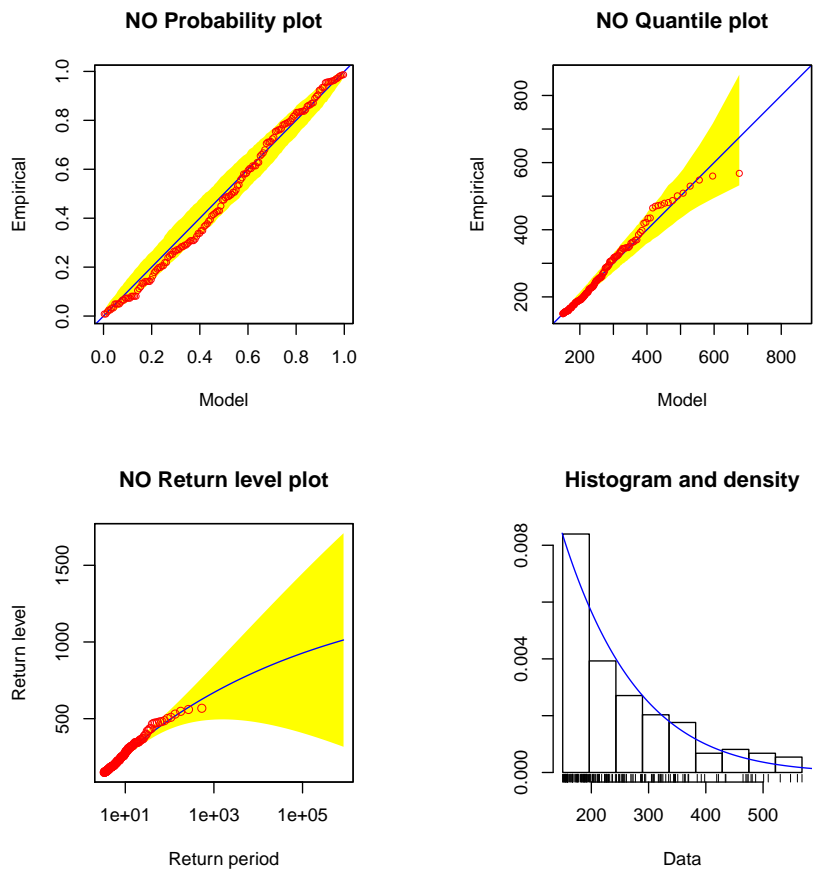


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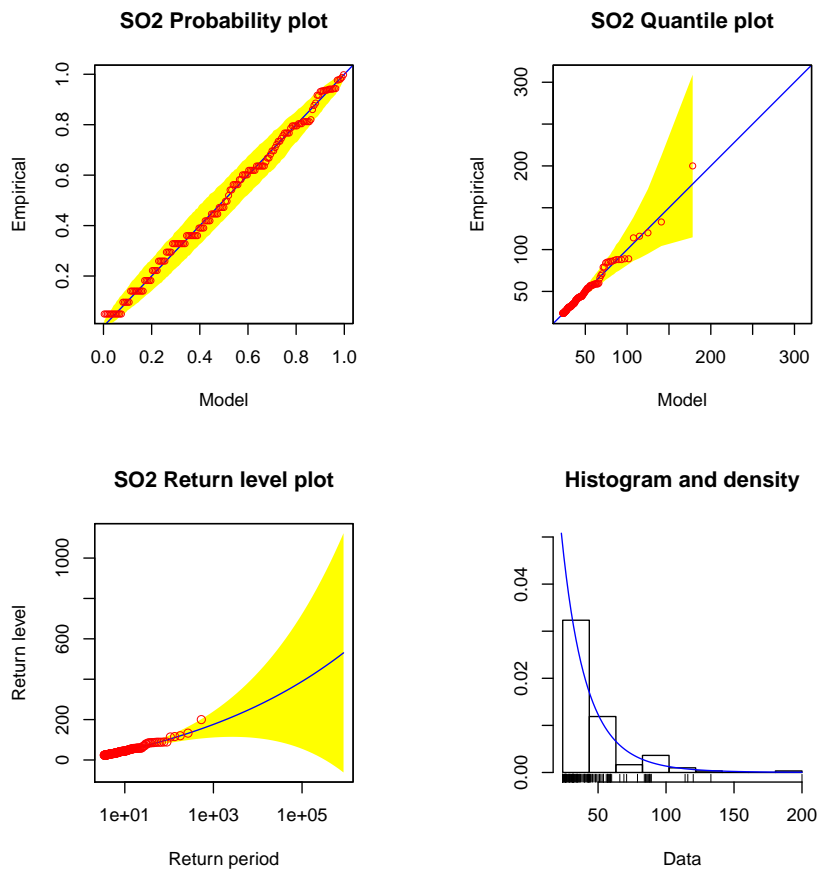


Figure 54: Output from running the validation suite.

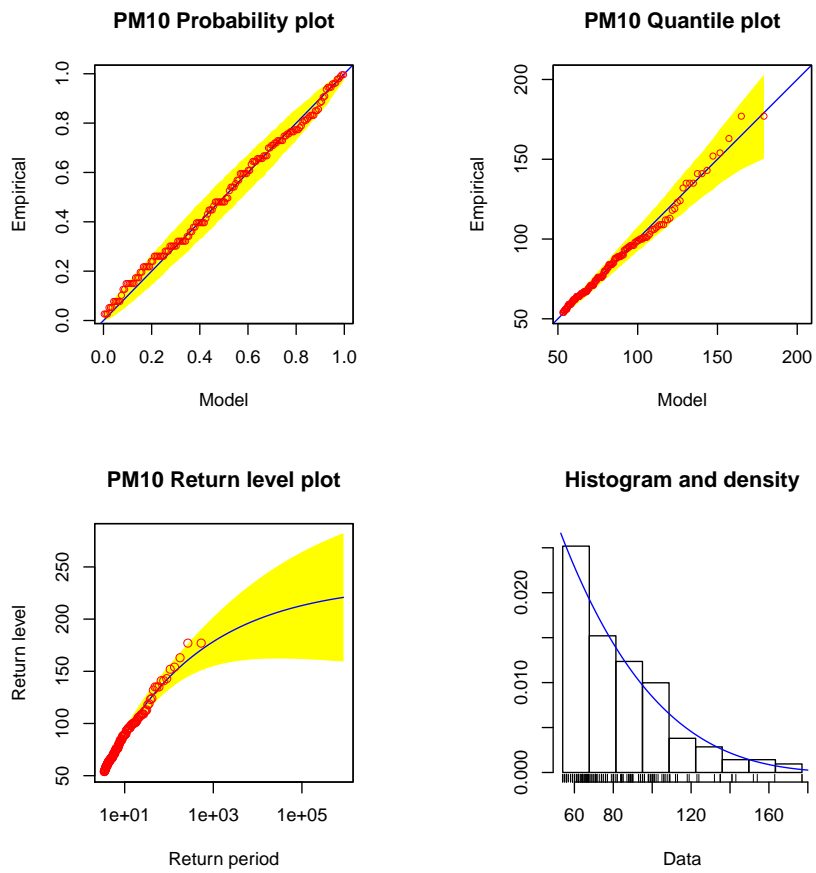


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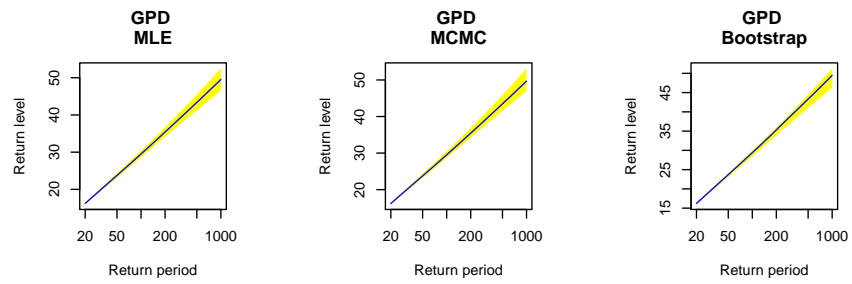


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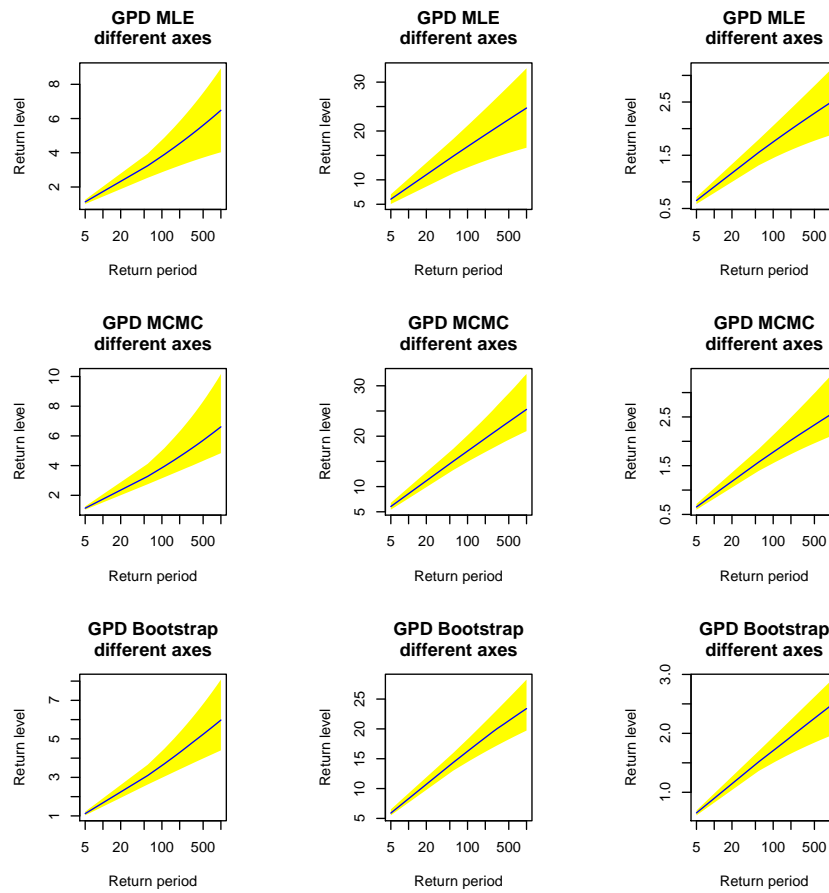


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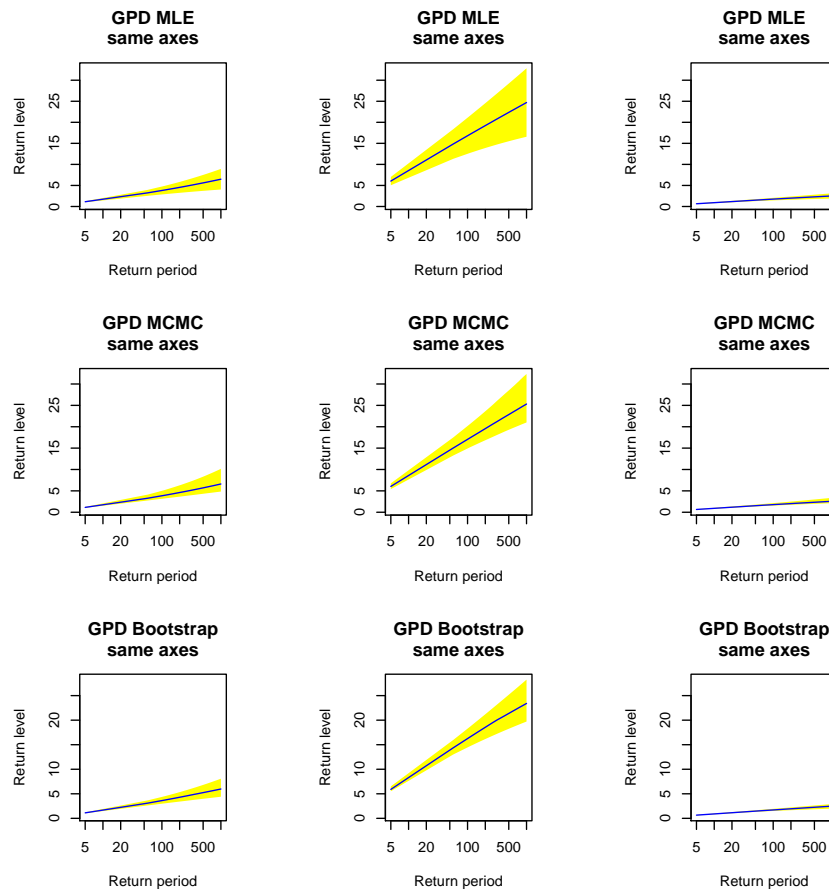


Figure 58: Output from running the validation suite.

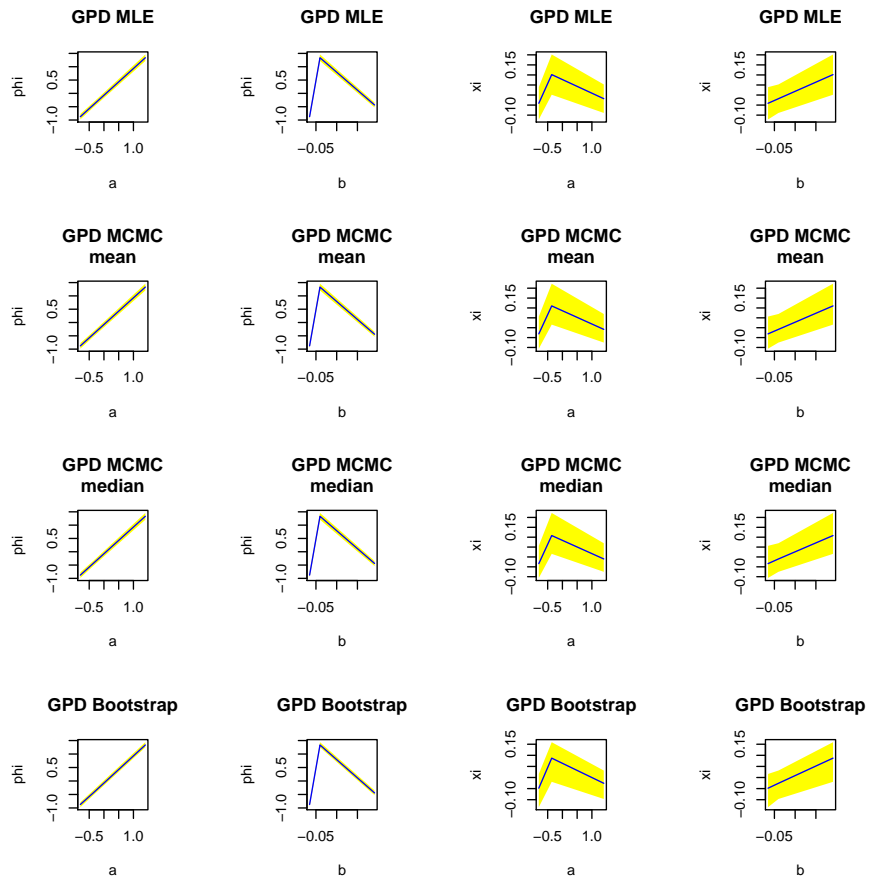


Figure 59: Output from running the validation suite.

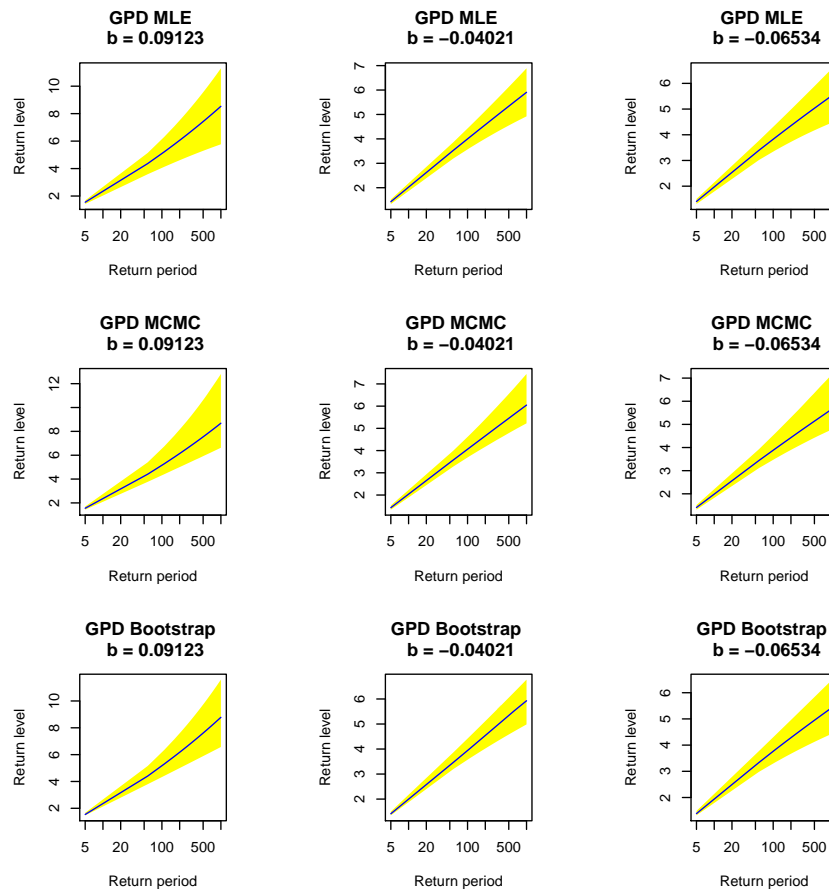


Figure 60: Output from running the validation suite.

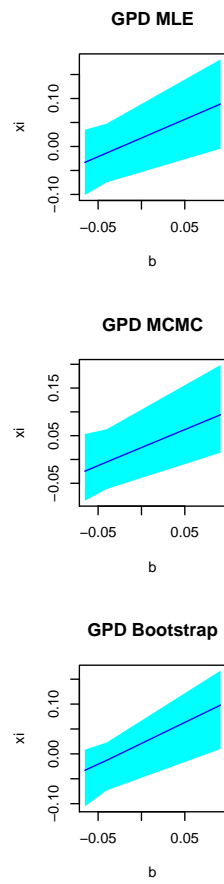


Figure 61: Output from running the validation suite.

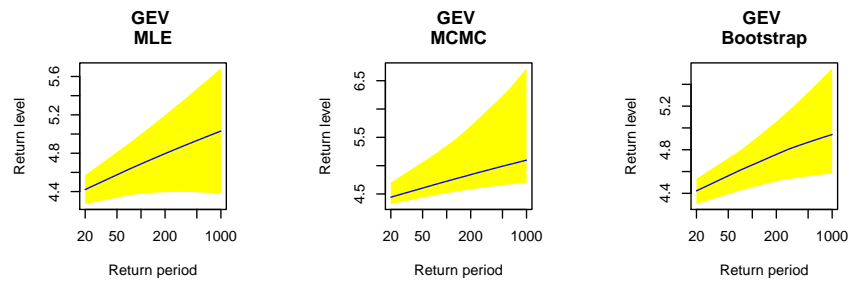


Figure 62: Output from running the validation suite.

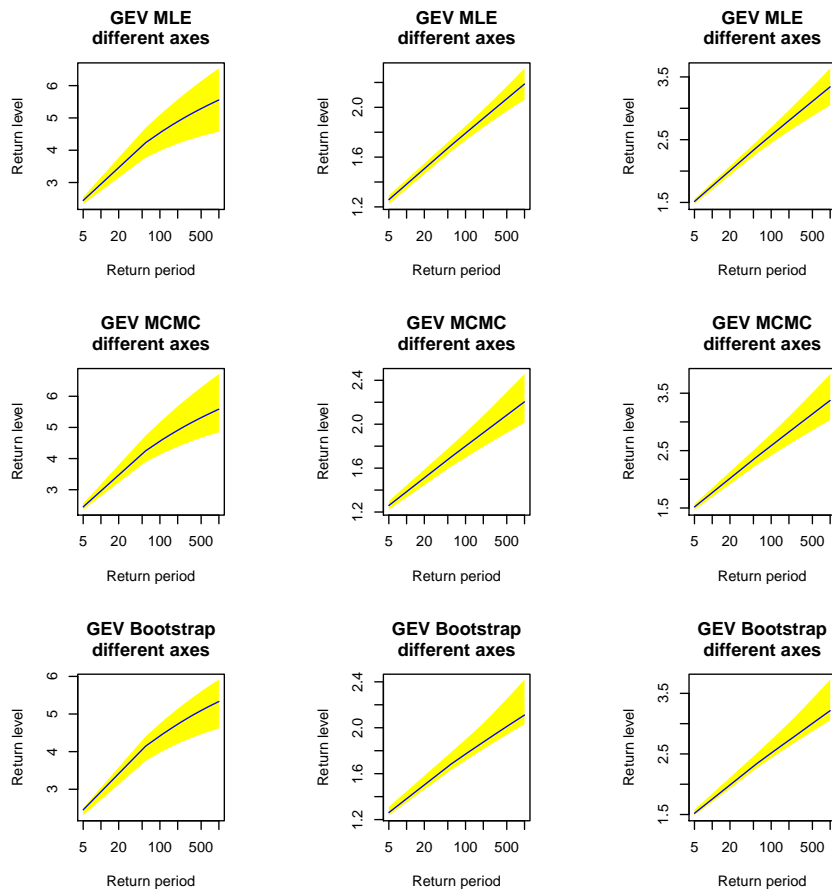


Figure 63: Output from running the validation suite.

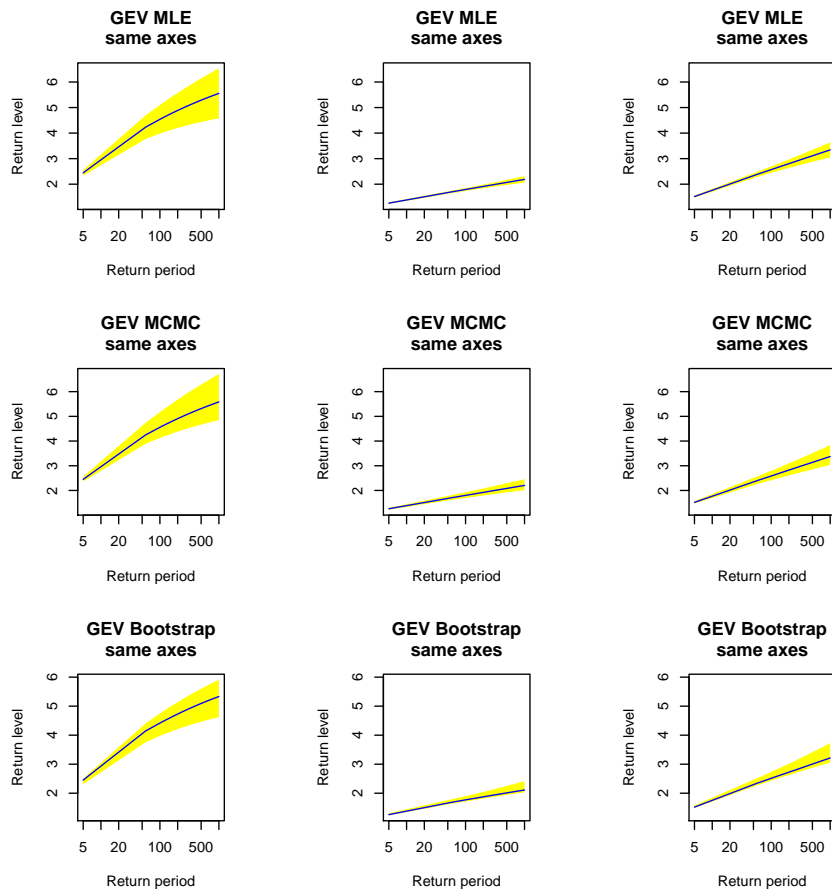


Figure 64: Output from running the validation suite.

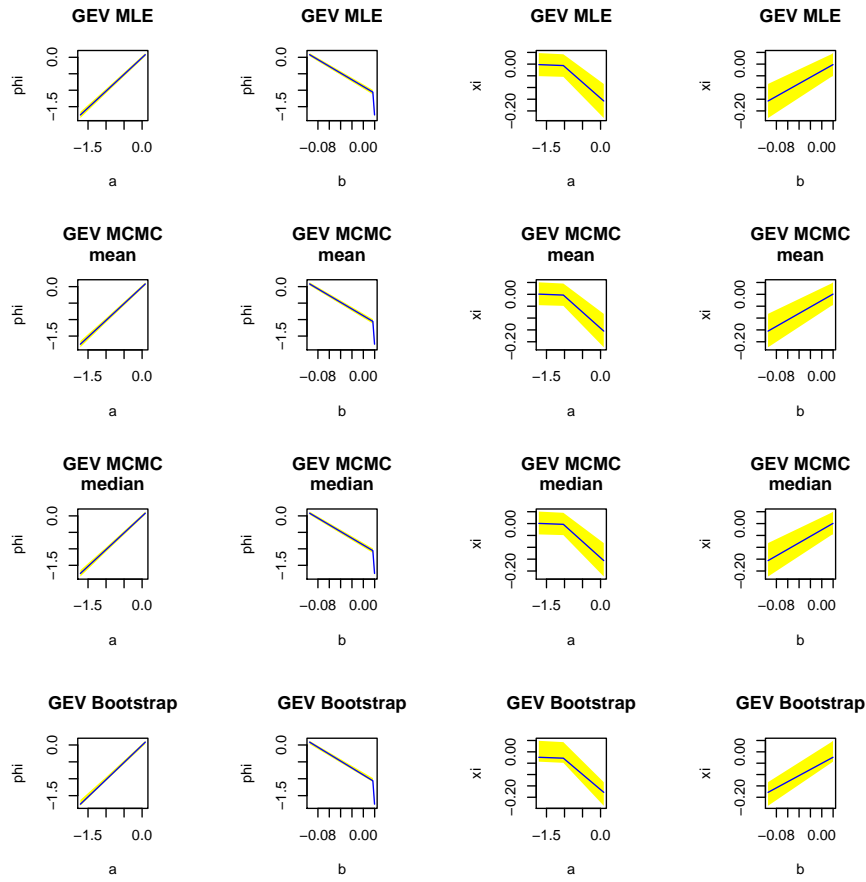


Figure 65: Output from running the validation suite.

Ratio of bias to standard error is high

```
##
## plot.predict.mex :
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
## Fitted values of xi < -0.5
```

.

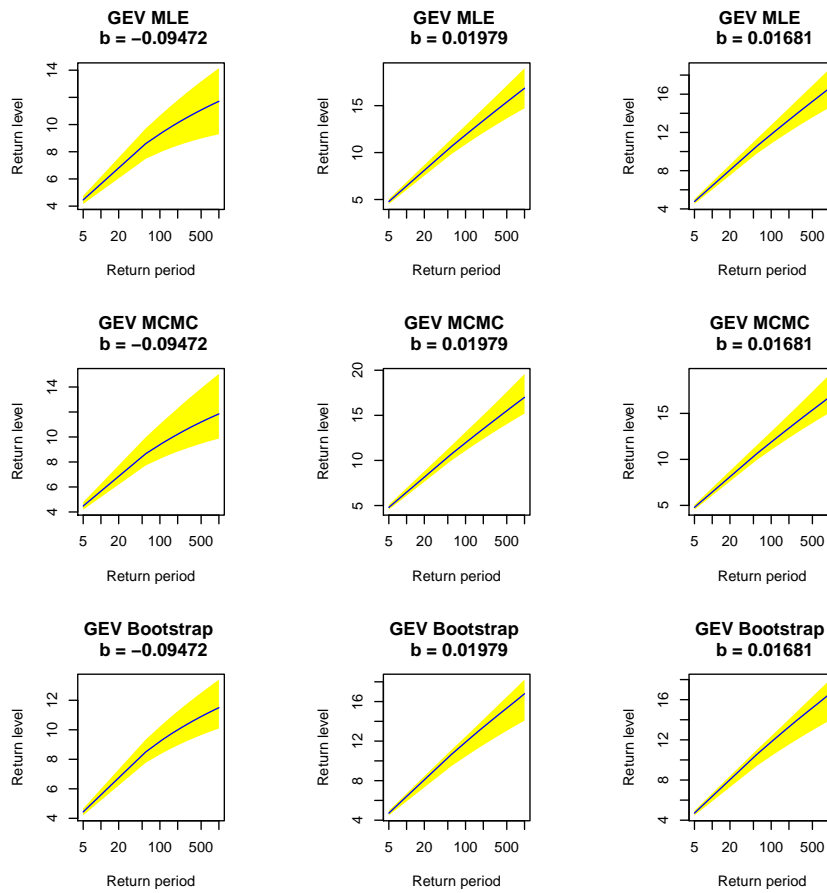


Figure 66: Output from running the validation suite.

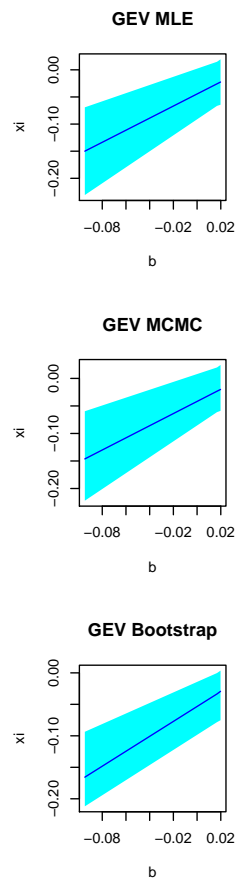


Figure 67: Output from running the validation suite.

Fig. 6 Heffernan and Tawn (2004)

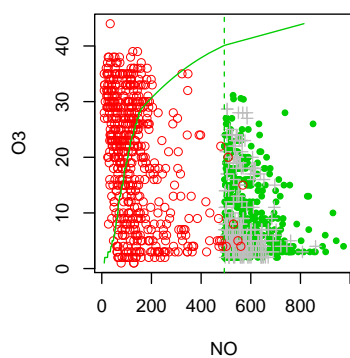


Fig. 6 Heffernan and Tawn (2004)

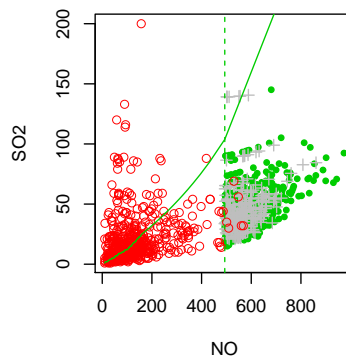


Fig. 6 Heffernan and Tawn (2004)

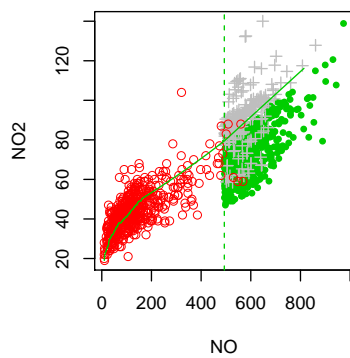


Fig. 6 Heffernan and Tawn (2004)

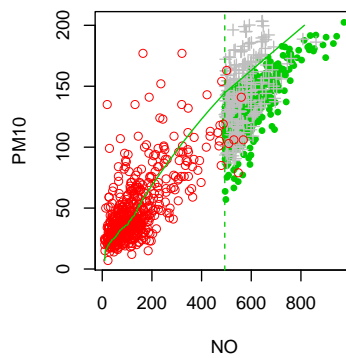


Figure 68: Output from running the validation suite.

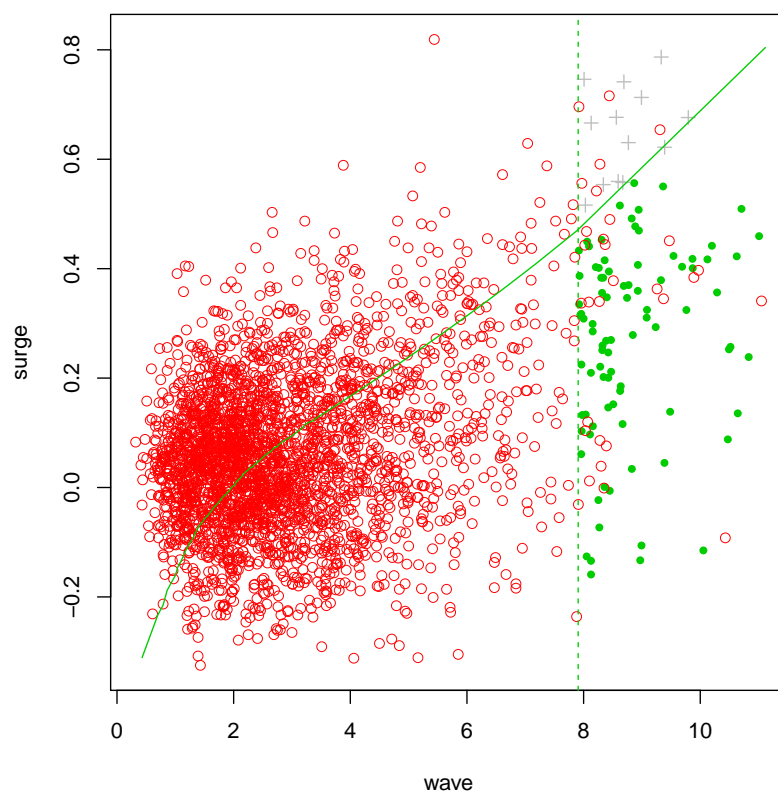


Figure 69: Output from running the validation suite.

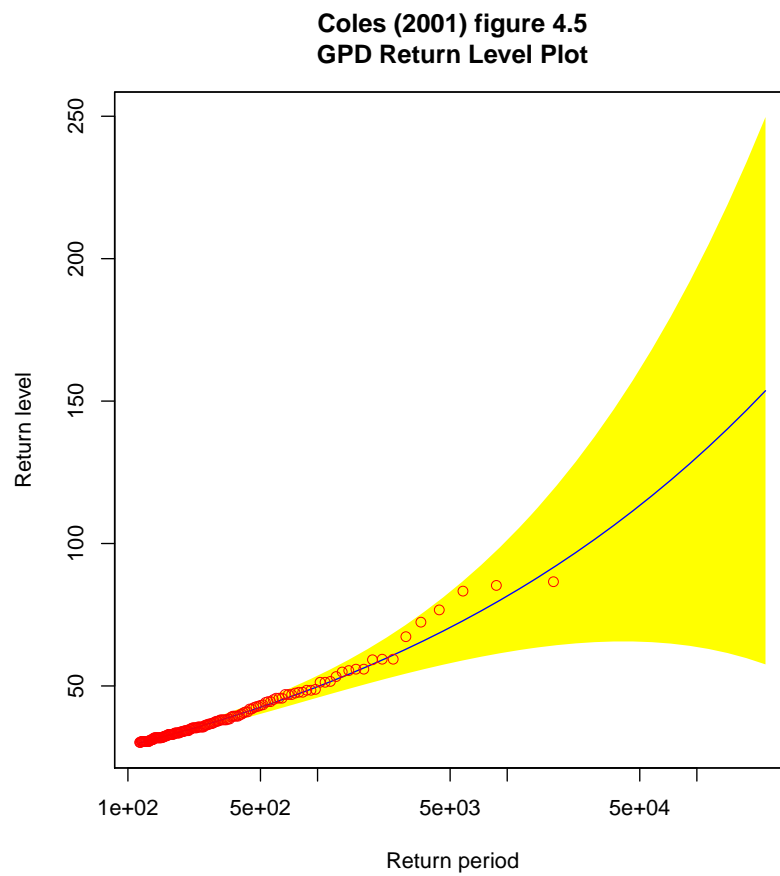


Figure 70: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## .
## plotrl.evm :
```

```
## ..
## predict.evmBoot :
## Ratio of bias to standard error is high
```

```
## .....
```

```
## Ratio of bias to standard error is high
```

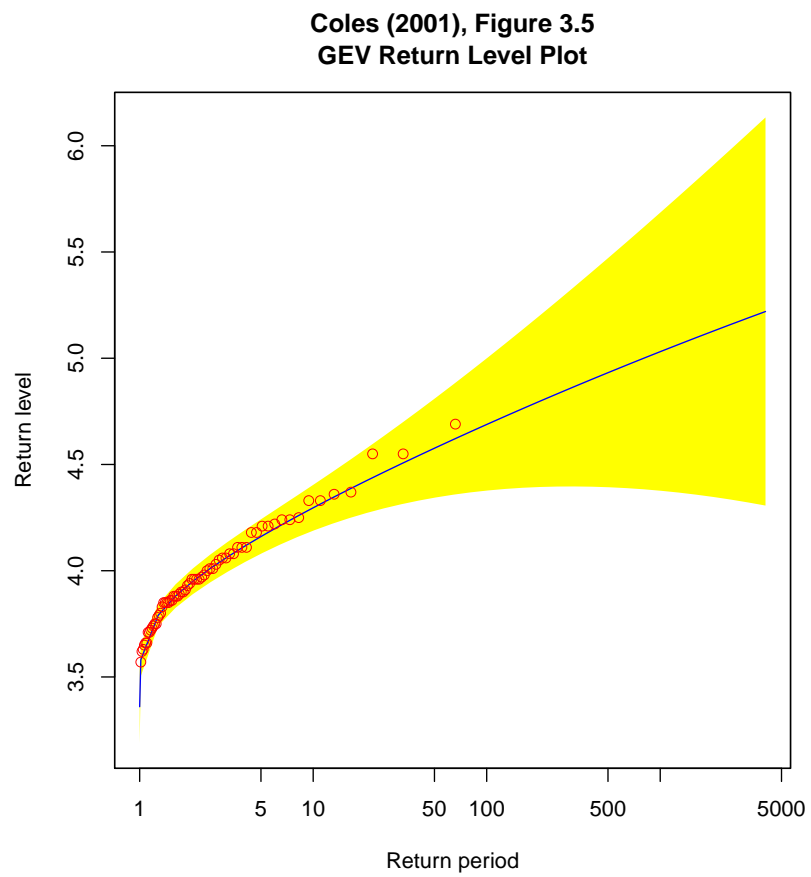


Figure 71: Output from running the validation suite.

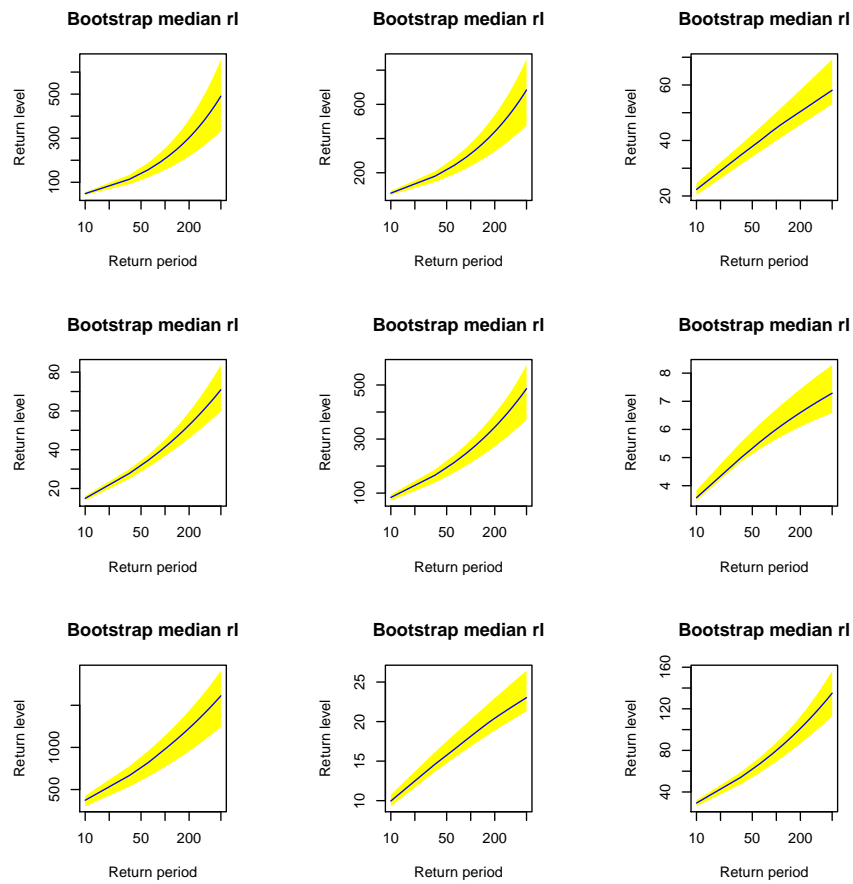


Figure 72: Output from running the validation suite.

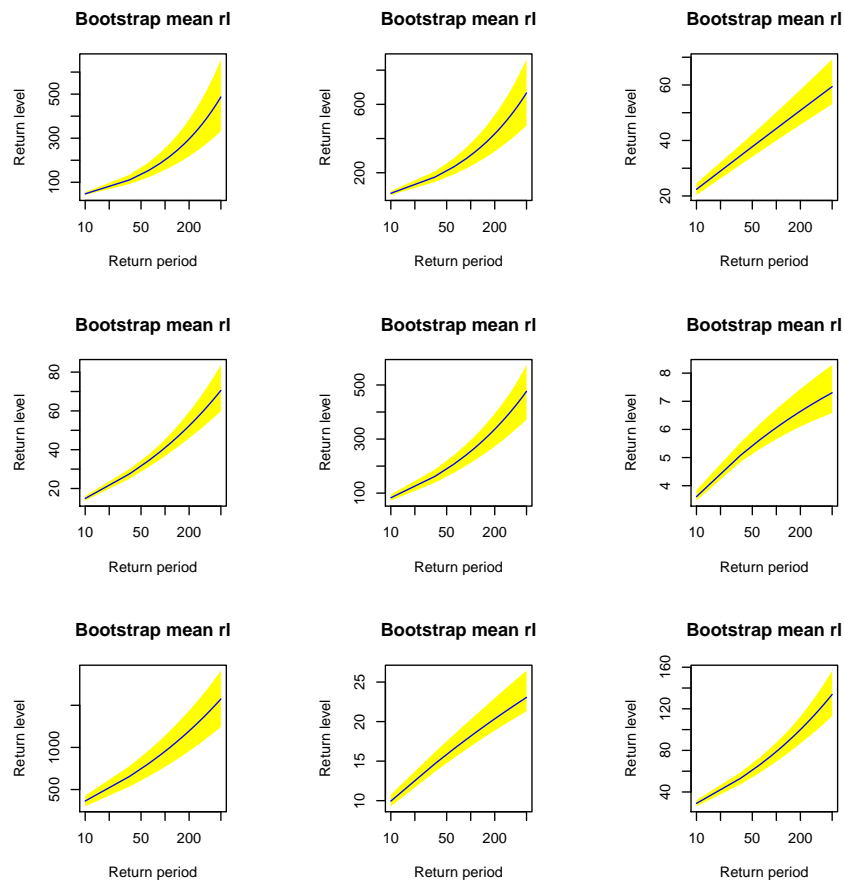


Figure 73: Output from running the validation suite.

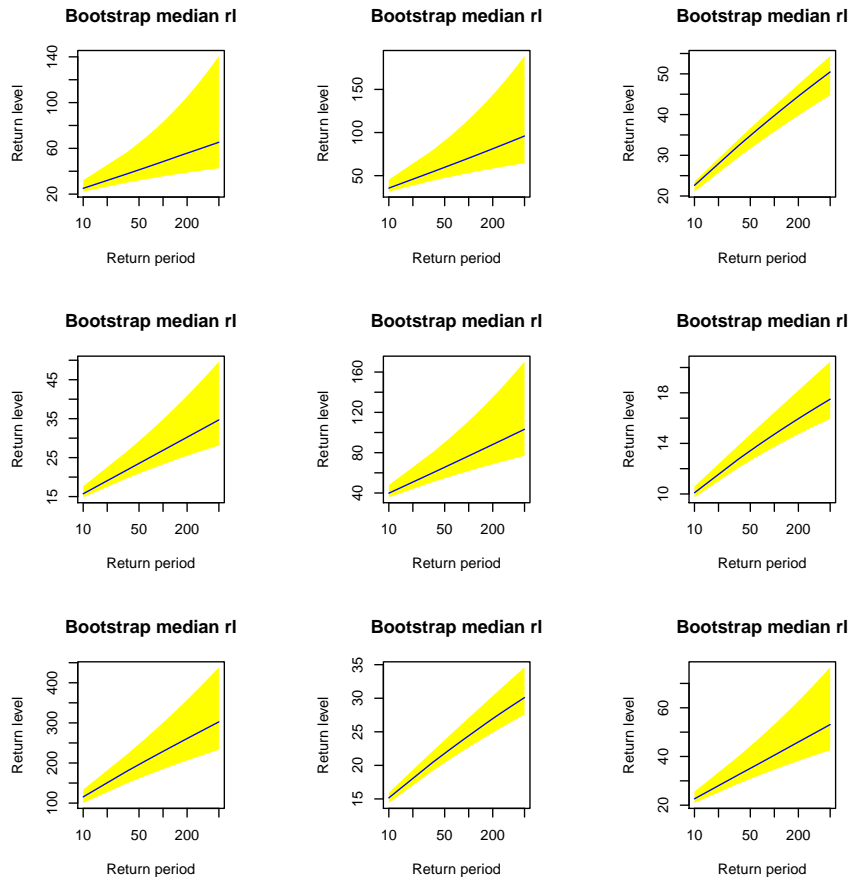


Figure 74: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## .....

```

```
##
## predict.evmOpt : .....
## predict.evmSim : .....
## predict.mex :

## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
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## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
```

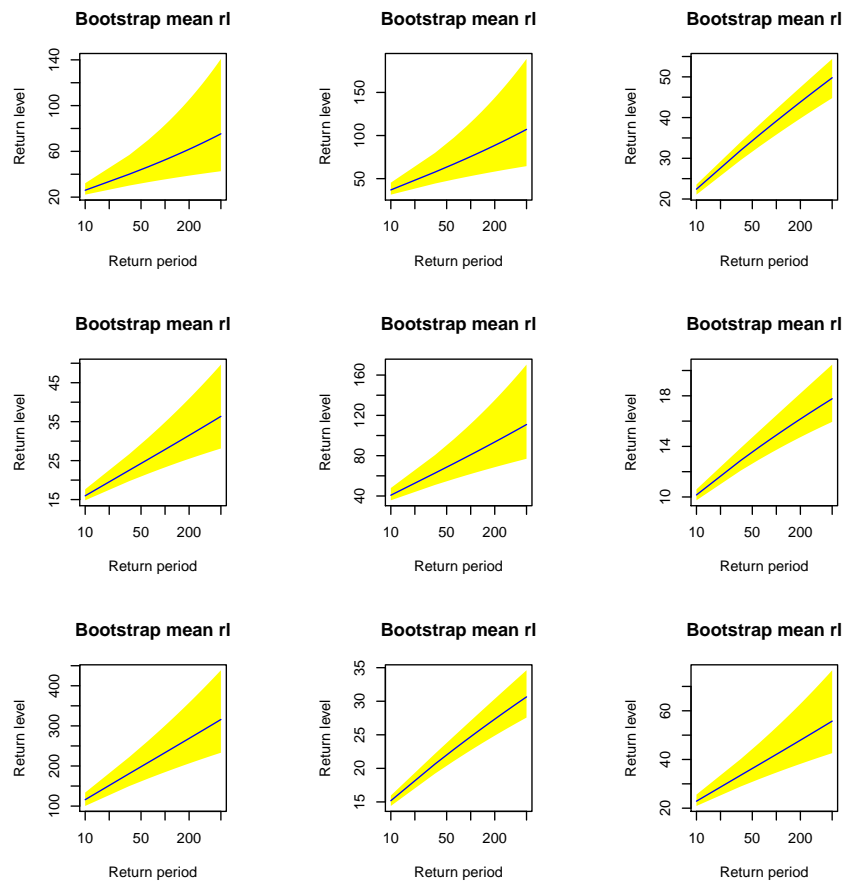


Figure 75: Output from running the validation suite.

```
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
## Fitted values of  $x_i < -0.5$ 
```

```
## .....
## qgev :
## qgpd : .....
## revTransform : ....
## rgev :
## rgpd : .....
## specfun.safe.product :
```

```
## thinAndBurn.evmSim : .....
```


3 Appendix

3.1 Information on the R session

Information on the R session, in the interests of reproducibility.

```
## R version 3.1.1 (2014-07-10)
## Platform: i386-w64-mingw32/i386 (32-bit)
##
## locale:
## [1] LC_COLLATE=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [2] LC_CTYPE=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [3] LC_MONETARY=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [4] LC_NUMERIC=C
## [5] LC_TIME=English_United Kingdom.1252
##
## attached base packages:
## [1] parallel stats graphics grDevices utils datasets methods
## [8] base
##
## other attached packages:
## [1] MASS_7.3-33 testthat_0.9.1 texmex_2.3 mvtnorm_1.0-0
## [5] knitr_1.6
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
## [1] evaluate_0.5.5 formatR_1.0 highr_0.3 stringr_0.6.2
## [5] tools_3.1.1
```

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