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Ozone Pollution in Lombardy

A spatio-temporal Bayesian model for O₃ pollution

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The data

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- Hourly [O₃] recorded by ARPA
- 51 stations across Lombardy
- Data collected in 2010-2022

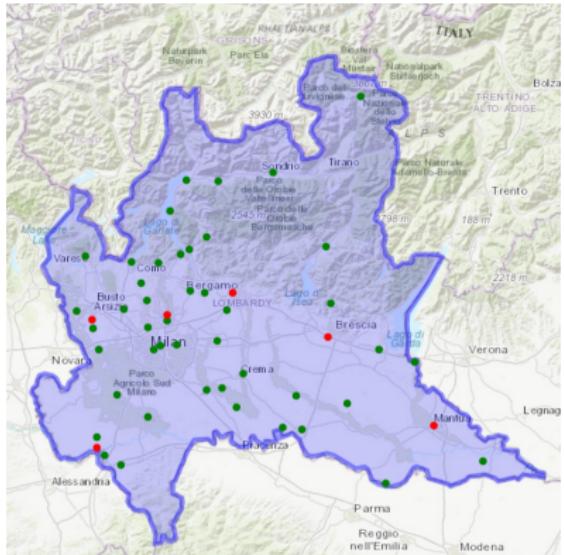


Figure: ARPA monitoring stations

- Bayesian modeling of two quantities under study:
 - ▶ **#days in each month** with at least one hour overcoming the threshold of **180 mg/m³**
 - ▶ **#days in each month** with at least one 8-hours moving average overcoming the threshold of **120 mg/m³**
- Propose and compare different Bayesian modeling frameworks
- Identify similarities and differences in parameters' posterior estimates under these two scenarios

Dealing with missing values

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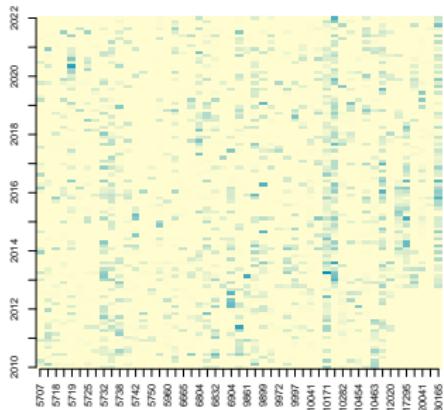
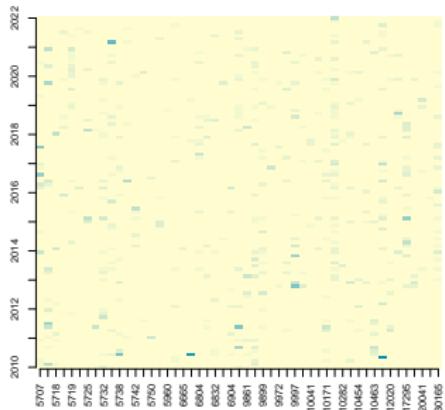
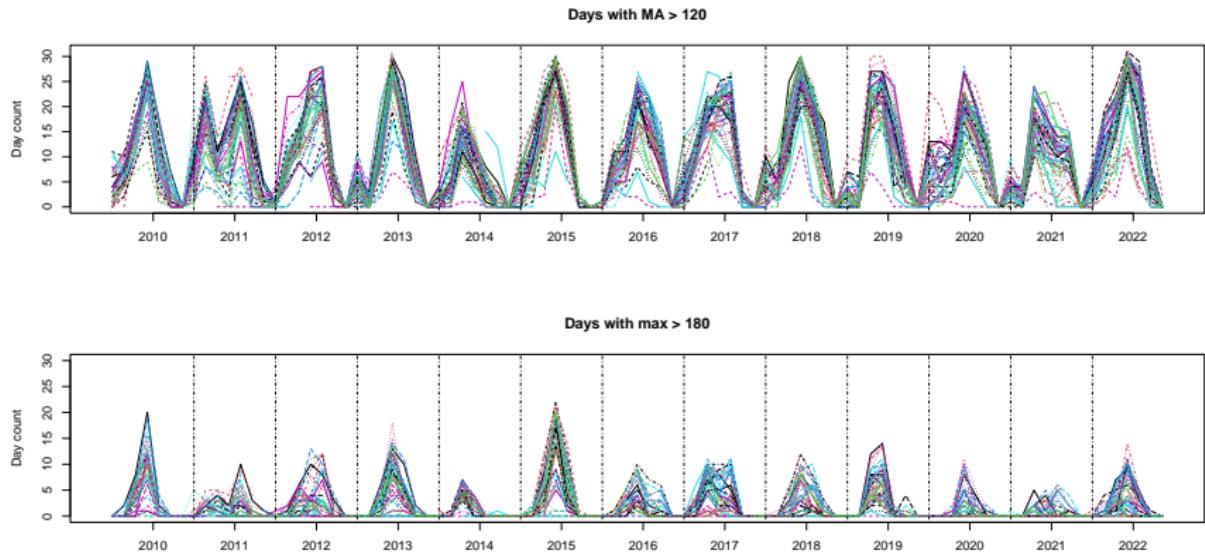


Figure: Daily and hourly missing data, respectively

- A month with six or more days of missing data is considered missing in its entirety.
- For the **180 dataset**: a day is considered not valid if it lacks 6 or more hours of data and the reported values don't overcome 180.
- For the **120 dataset**: the moving average is considered valid if there are at least 6 actual measured values.

Quantities of interest

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Covariates

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- Station altitude
- Zone: Urban, Industrial, Rural
- Population density
- Weather
 - ▶ Temperature
 - ▶ Wind
 - ▶ Precipitations
 - ▶ Solar radiations

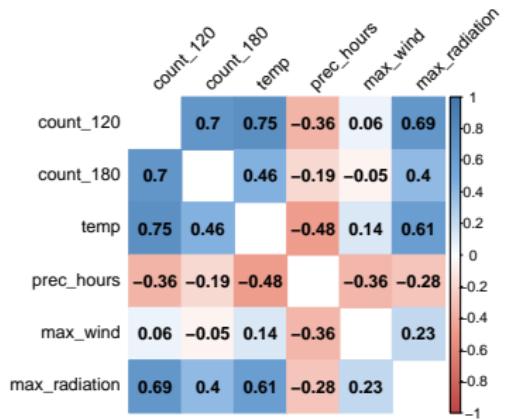


Figure: Correlation between some of the most informative weather variables

Covariates

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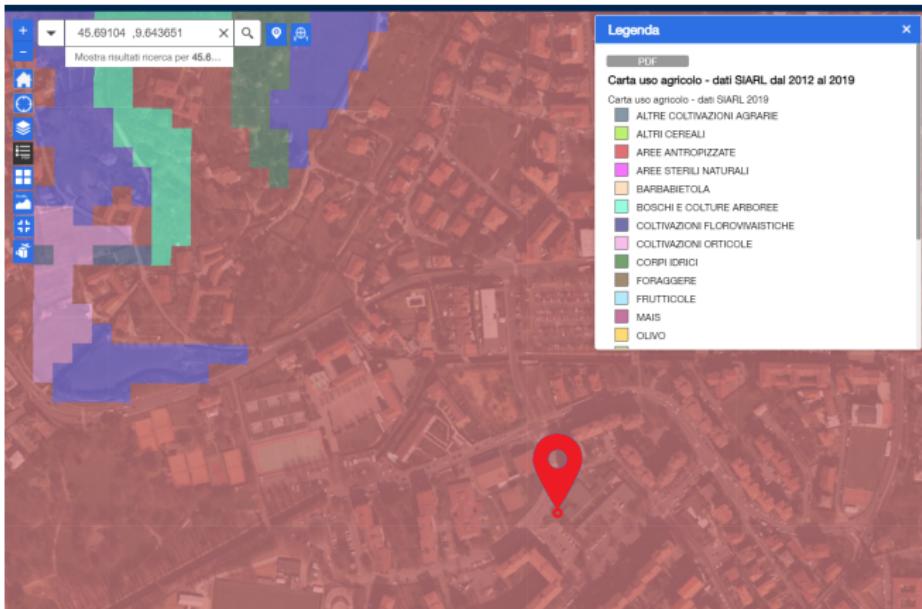


Figure: Station 17297, Bergamo, *Geoportale della Lombardia*

Covariate selection

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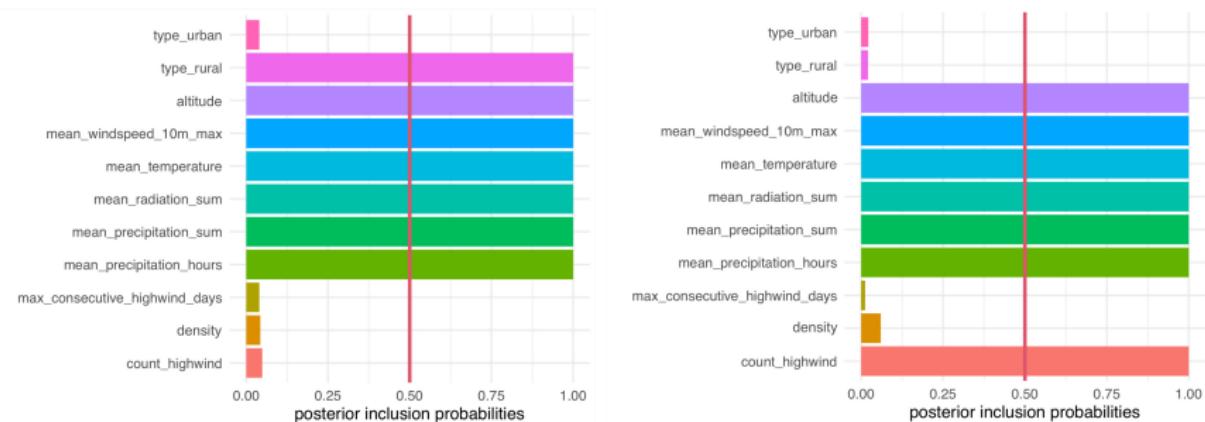


Figure: MPM for *Model 180* and *Model 120*.

120 dataset: final model

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$$n_{ijk} \mid \lambda_{ijk} \stackrel{ind}{\sim} Poi(\lambda_{ijk})$$

$$\log(\lambda_{ijk}) = \underline{x}_{ijk}^T \underline{\beta} + \xi_j + \eta_k + w_k + \gamma_i \cdot \delta_{\{i==\text{July}\}}$$

$$\underline{\beta} \mid \sigma_\beta^2 \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\underline{0}, \sigma_\beta^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\underline{\xi} = (\xi_{2010}, \dots, \xi_{2022}) \mid \sigma_\xi^2 \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\underline{0}, \sigma_\xi^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\underline{\eta} = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_{45}) \mid \sigma_\eta^2 \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\underline{0}, \sigma_\eta^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathcal{H} : (\mathcal{H})_{ij} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \cdot \text{dist}(\mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{s}_j)\right)$$

$$\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{45} \mid \sigma_\gamma^2 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}_p(0, \sigma_\gamma^2)$$

$$\sigma_\beta^2, \sigma_\xi^2, \sigma_\gamma^2, \sigma^2 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{inv-gamma}(4, 2)$$

$$i = \text{April}, \dots, \text{October} \quad j = 2010, \dots, 2022 \quad k = 1, \dots, 45$$

120 dataset: final model

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The total number of predictions over the monthly maximum is: 26

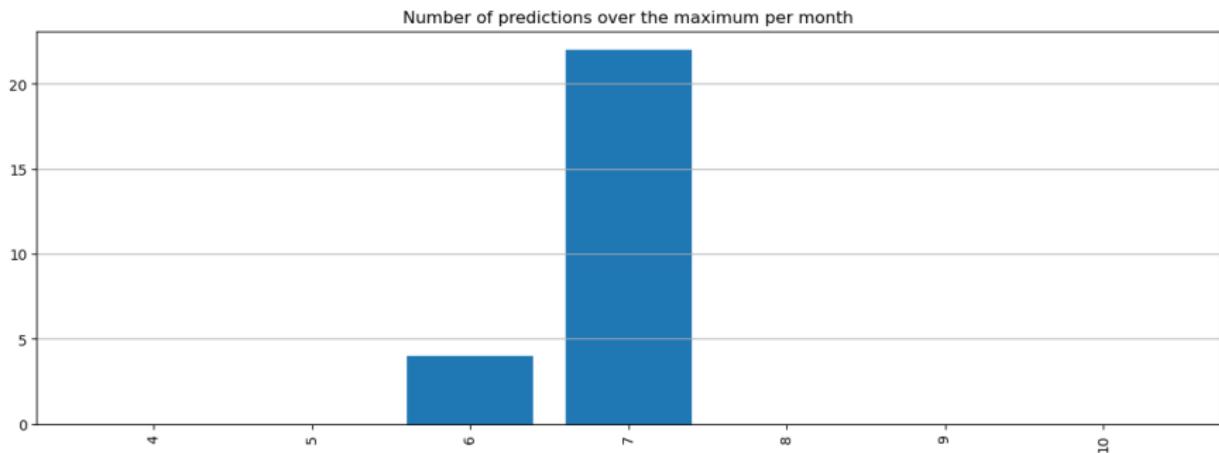


Figure: Predictions over the maximum by month.

120 dataset: posterior predictive performance

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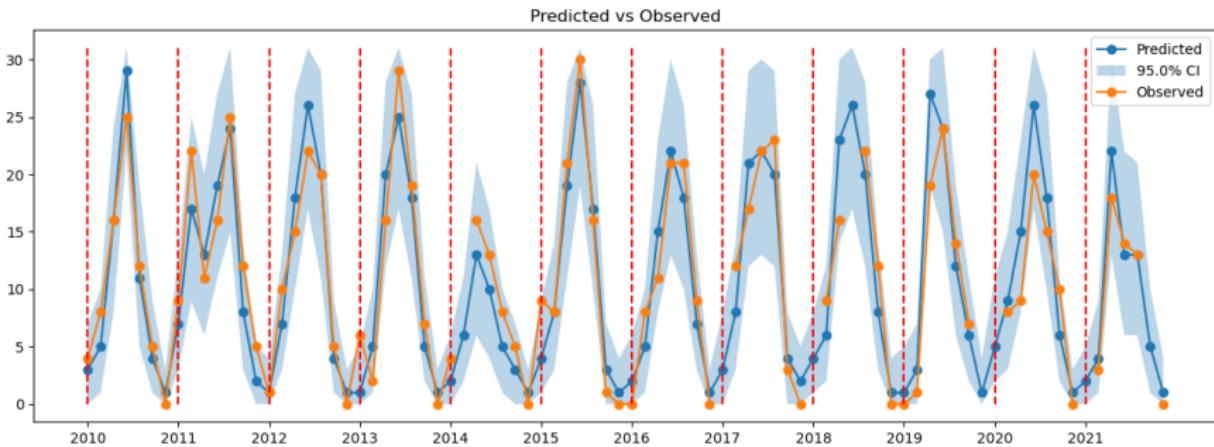


Figure: Posterior predictive median and 95% CIs vs observed values.

180 dataset: ZIP spatial model

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$$n_{ijk} \mid \lambda_{ijk}, \theta_i \stackrel{ind}{\sim} \theta_i \cdot 0 + (1 - \theta_i) \cdot \{Poi(\lambda_{ijk})\}$$

$$\log(\lambda_{ijk}) = \underline{x}_{ijk}^T \underline{\beta} + \xi_j + \eta_k$$

$$\underline{\beta} \mid \sigma_{\beta}^2 \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\underline{0}, \sigma_{\beta}^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\underline{\xi} = (\xi_{2010}, \dots, \xi_{2022}) \mid \sigma_{\xi}^2 \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\underline{0}, \sigma_{\xi}^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\underline{\eta} = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_{45}) \mid \sigma^2 \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\underline{0}, \sigma^2 \cdot \mathcal{H})$$

$$\mathcal{H} : (\mathcal{H})_{ij} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \cdot \text{dist}_e(s_i, s_j)\right)$$

$$\sigma_{\beta}^2, \sigma_{\xi}^2, \sigma^2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{inv-gamma}(4, 2)$$

$$\theta_1, \dots, \theta_7 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bern}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$i = \text{April}, \dots, \text{October} \quad j = 2010, \dots, 2022 \quad k = 1, \dots, 45$$

180 dataset: posterior predictive performance

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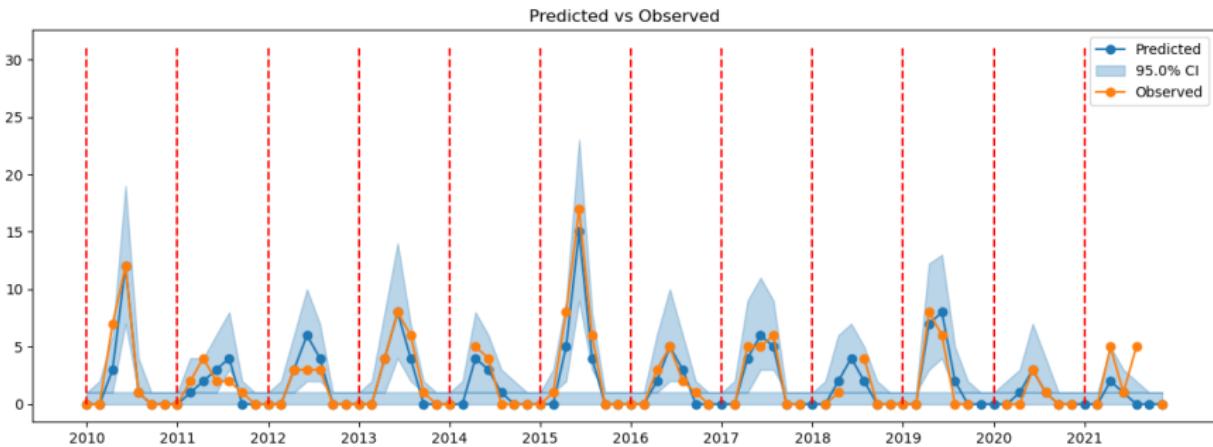


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Point estimate for eta

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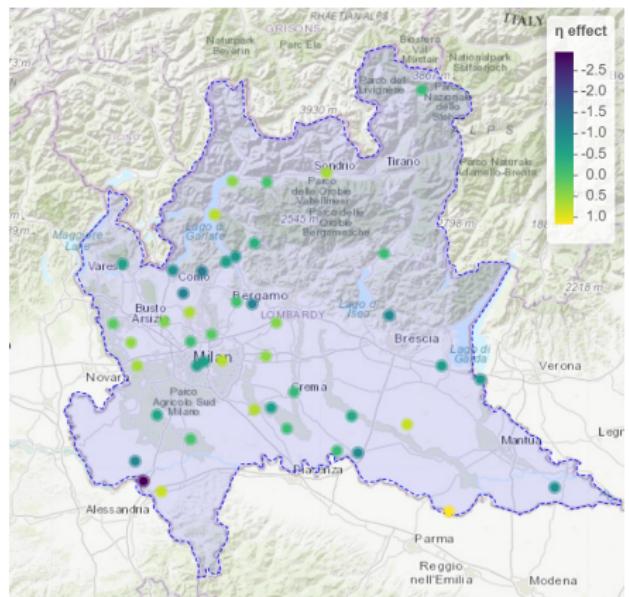


Figure: 180 model

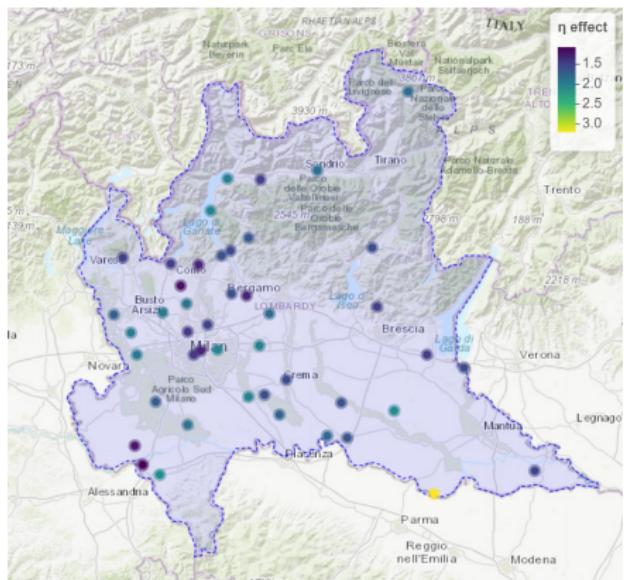


Figure: 120 model

Binomial model

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$$n_{ijk} \mid \theta_{ijk} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bin}(N_i, \theta_{ijk})$$

$$\text{logit}(\theta_{ijk}) = x_{ijk}^T \beta + \gamma_i + \xi_j + w_k,$$

$$i = 1, \dots, 7, \quad j = 1, \dots, 13, \quad k = 1, \dots, 45$$

$$\gamma_i \mid \sigma_\gamma^2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu_\gamma, \sigma_\gamma^2) \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, 7$$

$$\xi_j \mid \sigma_\xi^2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu_\xi, \sigma_\xi^2) \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, 13.$$

$$w \mid \Sigma, \sigma_s^2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma + \sigma_s^2 H)$$

$$H_{ij} = \exp \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \text{dist}(s_i, s_j) \right)$$

$$\beta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}); \mu_\gamma, \mu_\xi \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

$$\sigma_{\gamma,i}^2, \sigma_{\xi,j}^2, \sigma^2, \sigma_{s,k}^2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Inv-Gamma}(4, 2)$$

95% Marginal posterior Credible Intervals for β

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Effect of the explanatory variables

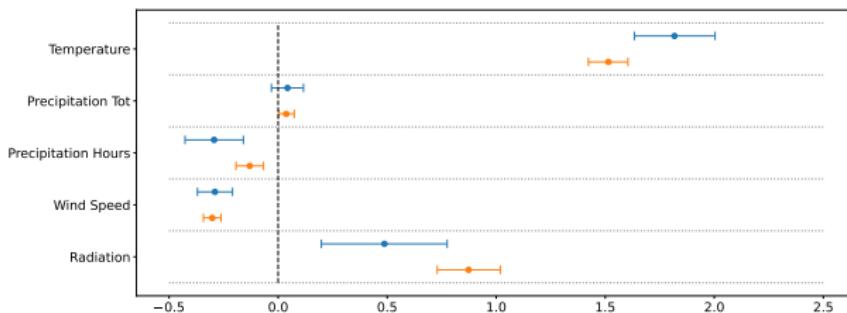


Figure: Orange: 120 model, Blue: 180 model

95% Marginal posterior Credible Intervals for ξ

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Year-specific effect

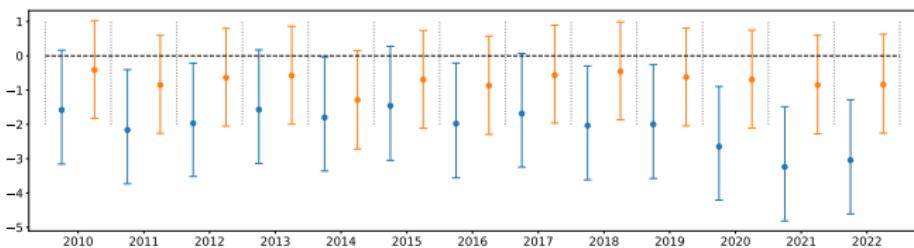


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