# Sensitivity studies for Shooter et al 2020

This document provides typical diagnostic plots supporting Shooter et al. (2020). Section S.1 provides supporting illustrations for a typical analysis. Section S.2 provides a sensitivity analysis into choice of conditional extremes threshold, and adoption of conditional quantile constraints (CQCs). Section S.3 illustrates the effect of choice of conditioning location.

## S.1 "Vanilla" analysis

Normal transect (SWNE), CQCs imposed, threshold non-exceedance probability 0.7. Conditioning location 1. Reported in main article.

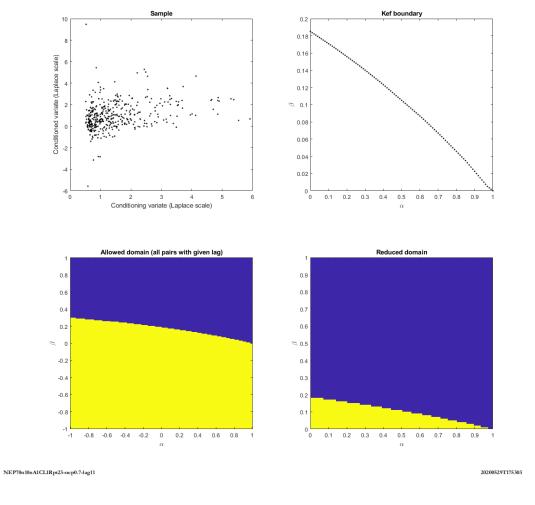


Figure S.1: Illustration of sample and CQC ("Keef") boundary at lag 11 of 19.

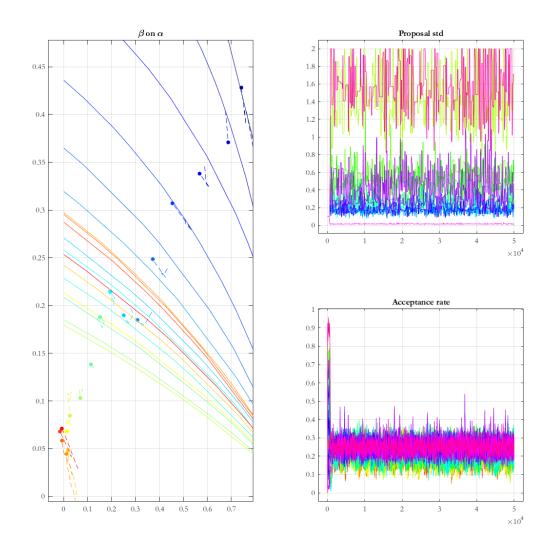


Figure S.2: Left: illustration of CQC boundaries and MCMC trajectories for 10 iterations;  $\alpha$  on x-axis,  $\beta$  on y-axis. Top right: proposal standard deviations. Bottom right: acceptance rates.

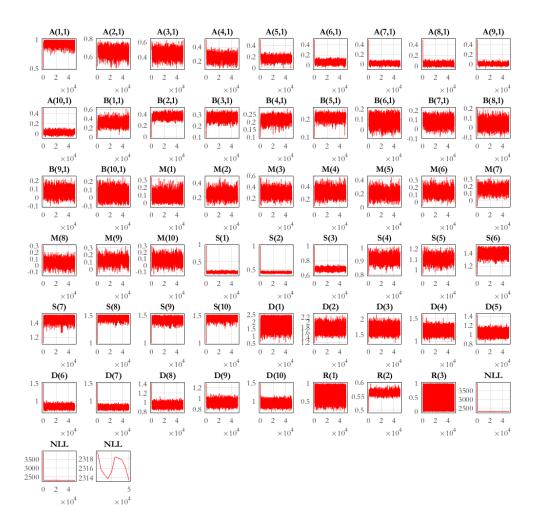


Figure S.3: MCMC trace plots for all model parameters, and negative log posterior likelihood. 50k iterations.

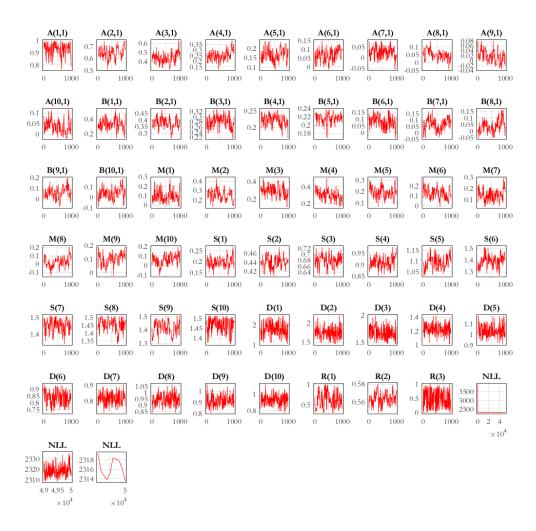


Figure S.4: MCMC trace plots for all model parameters, and negative log posterior likelihood. Last 1000 of 50k iterations.

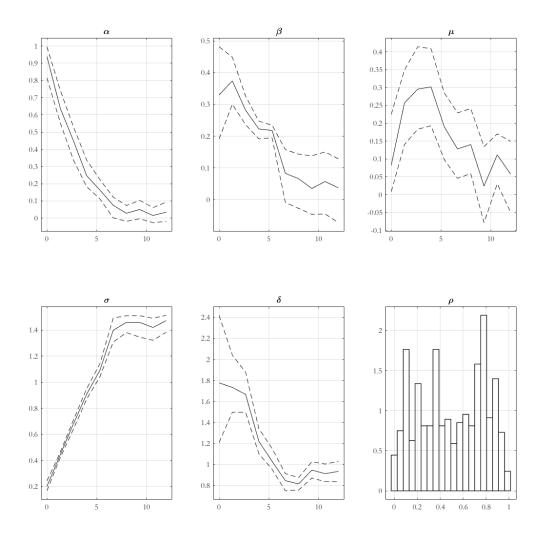


Figure S.5: Parameter estimates with distance. For all but  $\rho$ , posterior median and 95% credible intervals. For  $\rho$ , posterior density. One distance unit is approximately 111.2km, actually  $(\pi/180)R$ , where R is the radius of the Earth.

## S.2 Effect of threshold and conditional quantile constraints

### S.2.1 Normal (SWNE) transect

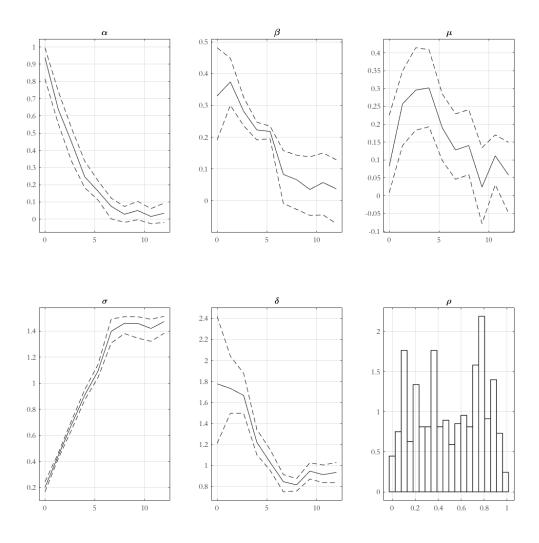


Figure S.6: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). CQCs imposed. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.7.

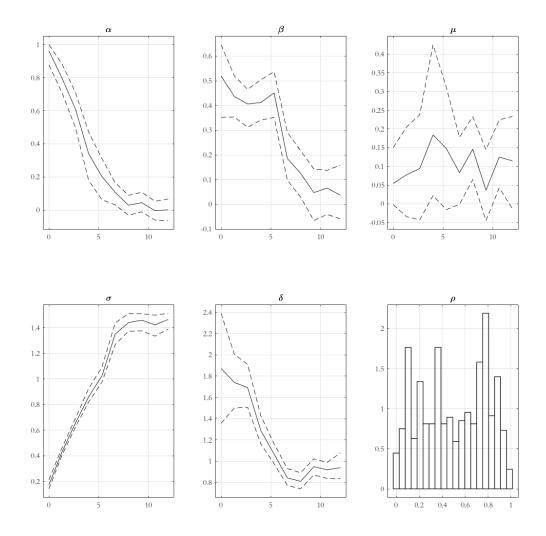


Figure S.7: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). No CQCs. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.7.

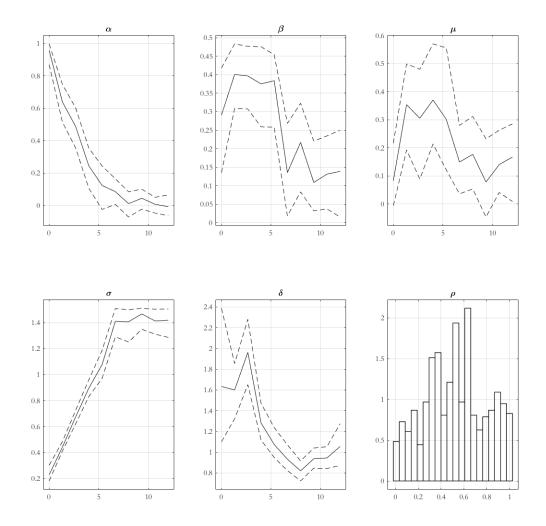


Figure S.8: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). CQCs imposed. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.8.

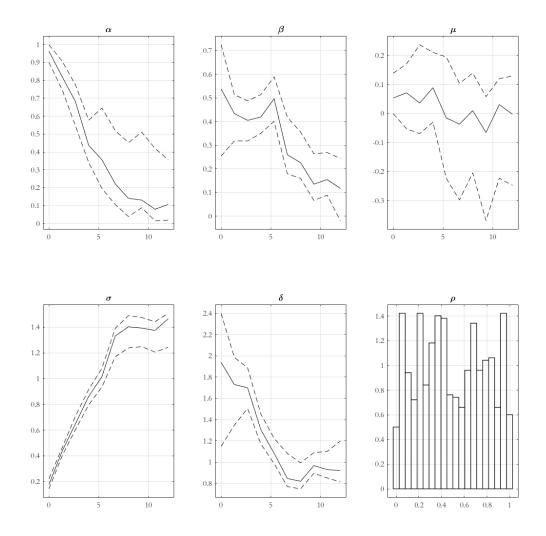


Figure S.9: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). No CQCs. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.8.

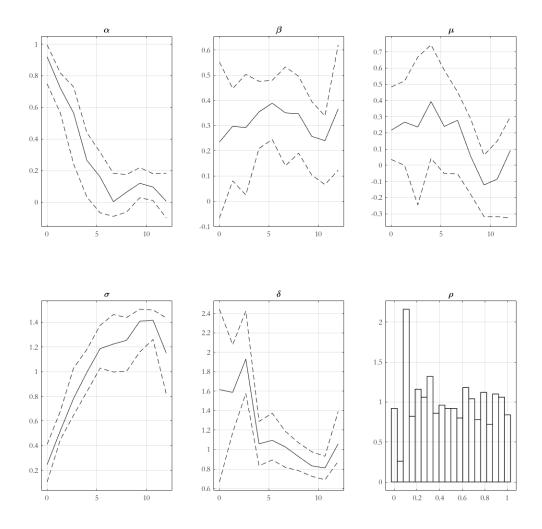


Figure S.10: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). CQCs imposed. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.9.

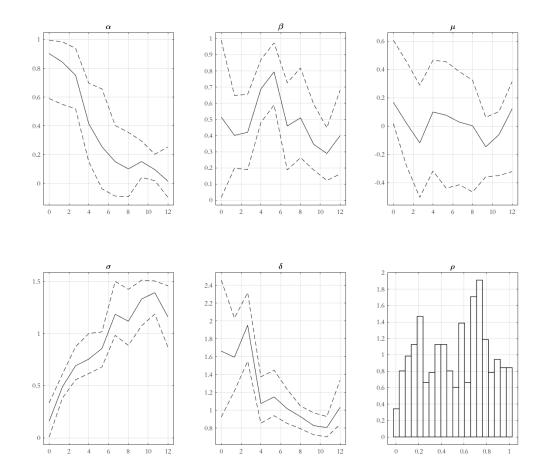


Figure S.11: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). No CQCs. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.9.

### S.2.2 Opposite (NWSE) transect

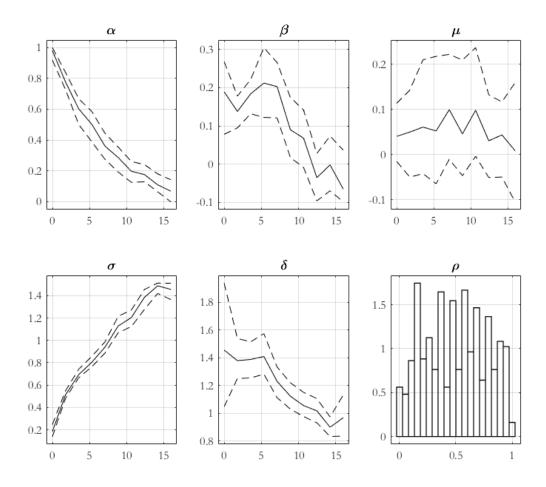


Figure S.12: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). CQCs imposed. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.7.

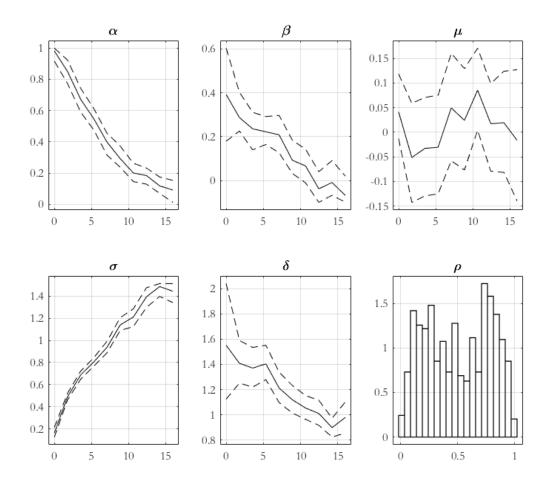


Figure S.13: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). No CQCs. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.7.

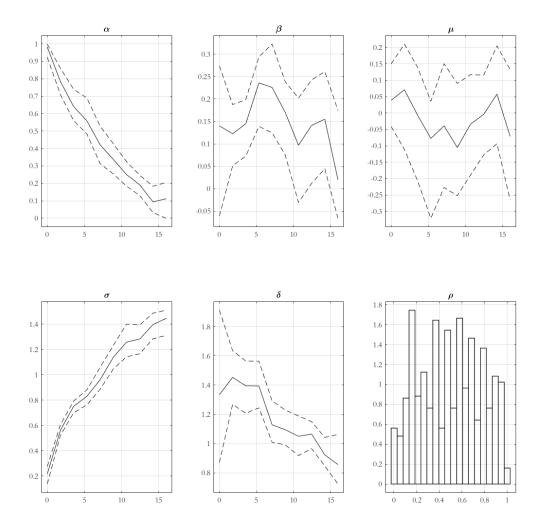


Figure S.14: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). CQCs imposed. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.8.

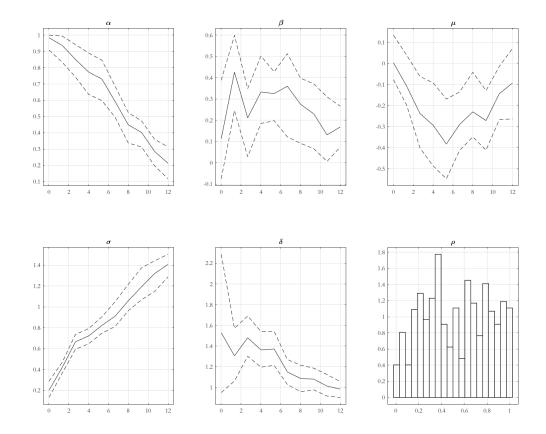


Figure S.15: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). No CQCs. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.8.

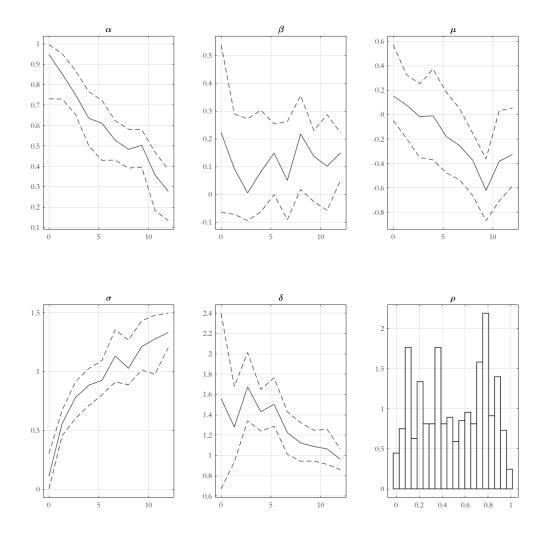


Figure S.16: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). CQCs imposed. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.9.

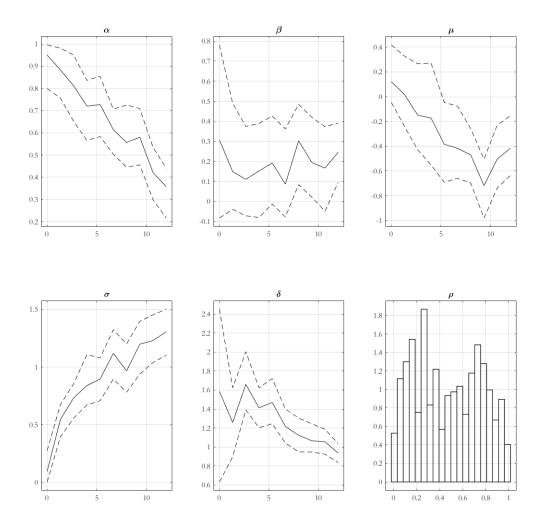


Figure S.17: Parameter estimates with distance (see Figure S.5). No CQCs. Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.9.

#### S.3 Effect of choice of conditioning location

Figure 7 of the main text illustrate parameter estimates with distance for conditioning location 0 (western end of transect). In this section, we provide supporting information for Figure 8 of the main text, comparing estimates obtained for conditioning location 0, with those for conditioning location 9 (centre of transect) and conditioning location 18 (eastern end). Threshold non-exceedance probability 0.7, and CQC constraints active throughout.

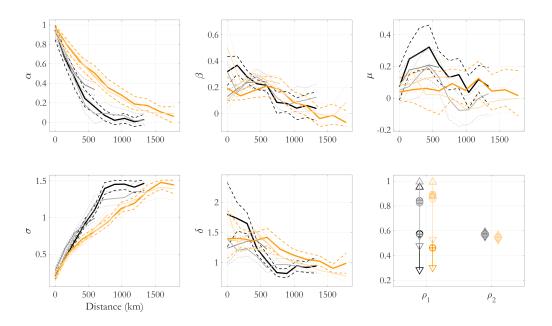


Figure S.18: Extension of Figure 7 of main text. Colour intensity (of orange or black) used to indicate different conditioning locations: conditioning locations 0, 9 and 18 shown as increasingly lighter shades. Other plot details as for Figure 7. Plots suggest that characteristics of  $\alpha(d|\text{SWNE})$ ,  $\alpha(d|\text{NWSE})$ ,  $\sigma(d|\text{SWNE})$  and  $\sigma(d|\text{NWSE})$  in particular do not depend on conditioning location. Yet differences between SWNE and NWSE in terms of  $\alpha$  and  $\sigma$  are relatively clear.

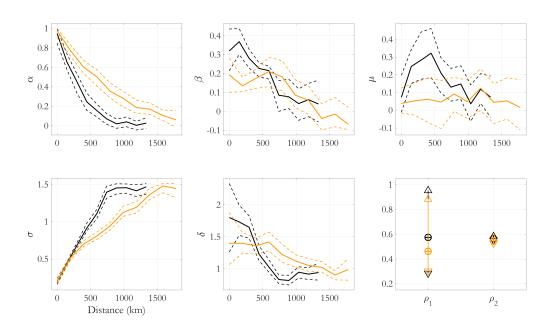


Figure S.19: Break-out of Figure S.18 for conditioning location 0.

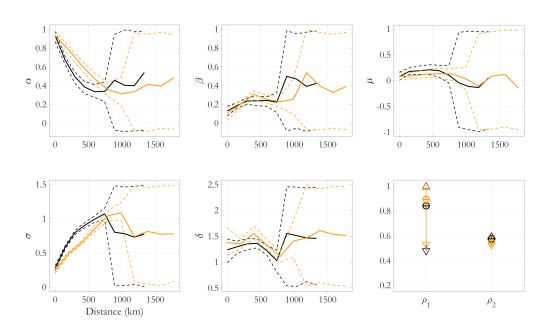


Figure S.20: Break-out of Figure S.18 for conditioning location 9. Since location 9 is central to the transect, we cannot examine behaviour at large distances.

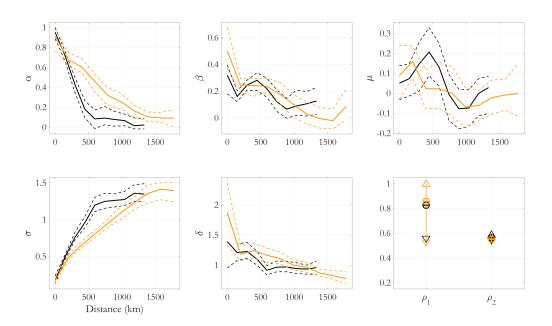


Figure S.21: Break-out of Figure S.18 for conditioning location 18.

### References

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