# Modelling covariate effects in extremes of storm severity on the Australian North West Shelf

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#### Motivation

- Rational design an assessment of marine structures:
  - Reducing bias and uncertainty in estimation of structural reliability.
  - Improved understanding and communication of risk.
  - Climate change.
- Other applied fields for extremes in industry:
  - Corrosion and fouling.
  - Finance.
  - Network traffic.

#### Katrina in the Gulf of Mexico.



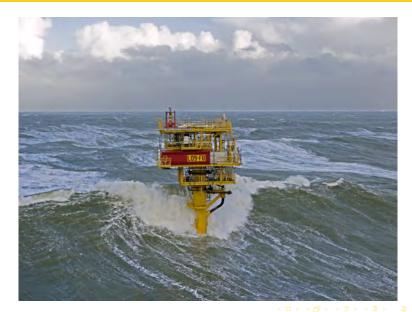
## Katrina damage.



#### Platform in a Northern North Sea storm.



#### Platform in the Southern North Sea.



## A wave seen from a ship.



#### Australian North West Shelf



#### Australian North West Shelf

- Data consist of hindcast storms during 1970-2007.
- Model storm peak significant wave height  $H_S$ .
- Wave climate is dominated by westerly monsoonal swell and tropical cyclones.
- Cyclones originate from Eastern Indian Ocean and in the Timor and Arafura Sea area is also a region of cyclogensis.

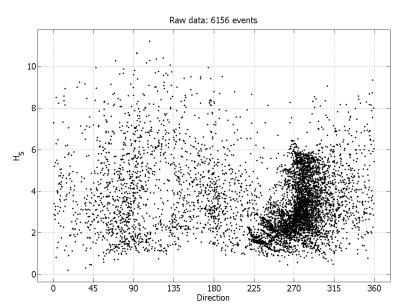
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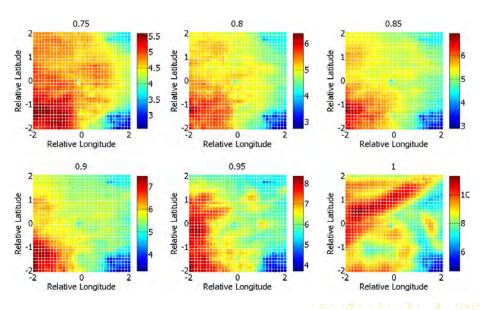
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## Storm Peak $H_S$ by Direction



## Quantiles of storm peak $H_S$ Spatially



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## Extreme Value Analysis: Challenges

- Covariate effects:
  - Location, direction, season, time ...
  - Multiple covariates in practice.
- Cluster dependence:
  - e.g. storms independent, observed (many times) at many locations.
  - e.g. dependent occurrences in time.
  - estimated using e.g. extremal index (Ledford and Tawn 2003)
- Scale effects:
  - Modelling  $X^2$  gives different estimates c.f. modelling X. (Reeve et al. 2012)
- Threshold estimation.
- Parameter estimation.
- Measurement issues:
  - Field measurement uncertainty greatest for extreme values.
  - Hindcast data are simulations based on pragmatic physics, calibrated to historical observation.

#### • Multivariate extremes:

- Waves, winds, currents, forces, moments, displacements, ...
- - Assumes all components extreme.
  - >> Perfect independence or asymptotic dependence **only**.
- Extremal dependence:
  - Assumes regular variation of joint survivor function.
  - Gives rise to more general forms of extremal dependence.
  - Asymptotic dependence, asymptotic independence (with +ve, -ve association).
- Conditional extremes:
  - Assumes, given one variable being extreme, convergence of distribution of remaining variables.
  - Not equivalent to extremal dependence.
  - Allows some variables not to be extreme.
- Inference:
  - ... a huge gap in the theory and practice of multivariate extremes ... (Beirlant et al. 2004)

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## Model Components

- Sample  $\{\dot{z}_i\}_{i=1}^{\dot{n}}$  of  $\dot{n}$  storm peak significant wave heights observed at locations  $\{\dot{x}_i,\dot{y}_i\}_{i=1}^{\dot{n}}$  with storm peak directions  $\{\dot{\theta}_i\}_{i=1}^{\dot{n}}$ .
- Model Components
  - **1 Threshold** function  $\phi$  above which observations  $\dot{z}$  are assumed to be extreme estimated using quantile regression.
  - **Q** Rate of occurrence of threshold exceedances modelled using Poisson Process model with rate  $\rho(\stackrel{\triangle}{=} \rho(\theta, x, y))$
  - **Size of occurrence** of threshold exceedance using a generalised Pareto (GP) model with shape and scale parameters  $\xi$  and  $\sigma$ .

#### Model Components

- Rate of occurrence and size of threshold exceedance are functionally independent (Chavez-Demoulin and Davison 2005).
- Equivalent to non-homogeneous Poisson point process model (Dixon et al. 1998).
- Smooth functions of covariates are estimated using P-splines (Eilers and Marx 2010)

## P-Splines

- Physical considerations suggest that we should expect the model parameters  $\phi, \rho, \xi$  and  $\sigma$  to vary smoothly with respect to covariates  $\theta, x, y$ .
- n dimensional basis matrix B formulated using Kronecker products of marginal basis matrices

$$B = B_{\theta} \otimes B_{\mathsf{x}} \otimes B_{\mathsf{y}}$$

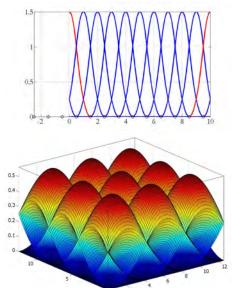
Roughness is defined

$$R = \beta' P \beta$$

where P is penalty matrix formed by taking differences of neighbouring  $\beta$ .

## **P-Splines**

- Wrapped bases allows for periodic covariates such as seasonality or direction.
- High dimensional bases can easily be constructed although number of parameters problematic.
- Strength of roughness penalty is controlled by roughness coefficient  $\lambda$ : cross validation is used to choose  $\lambda$  optimally.



## Quantile regression models threshold

• Estimate smooth quantile  $\phi(\theta_i, x_i, y_i; \tau)$  for non-exceedance probability  $\tau$  of storm peak  $H_S$ .

Spline basis: 
$$\psi(\tau,\theta) = \sum_{k=0}^{p} \Phi_{\theta k} \beta_{\tau k}$$

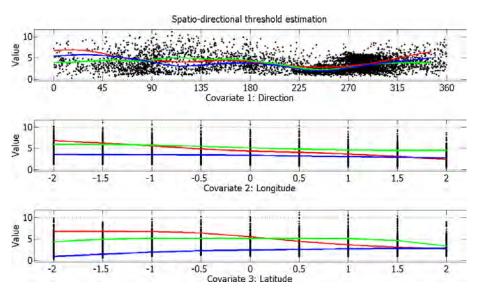
 $\bullet$  Estimated by minimising **penalised** criterion  $\ell_\phi^*$  with respect to basis parameters:

$$\ell_{\phi}^* = \{\tau \sum_{r_i \ge 0}^{n} |r_i| + (1 - \tau) \sum_{r_i < 0}^{n} |r_i| \} + \lambda_{\phi} R_{\phi}$$

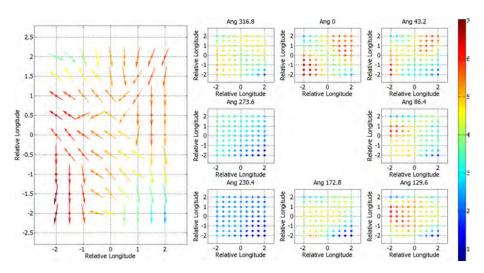
for  $r_i = z_i - \phi(\theta_i, x_i, y_i; \tau)$  for i = 1, 2, ..., n, and **roughness**  $R_{\phi}$  controlled by roughness coefficient  $\lambda_{\phi}$ .

 Quantile regression with P-splines can be formulated and solved as a linear program (Bollaerts et al. 2006).

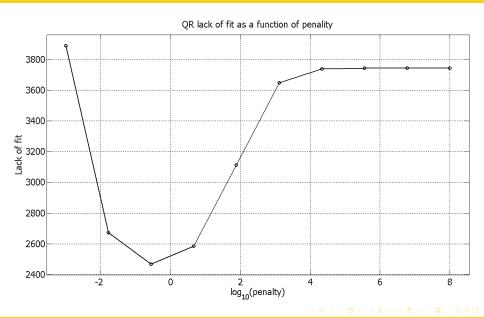
## Marginal 50% Quantile Threshold



## Spatio-Directional 50% Quantile Threshold



## Cross Validation for Penalty



#### Poisson models rate of threshold exceedances

 Rate of occurrence of threshold exceedances is estimated by minimising the roughness penalised log likelihood

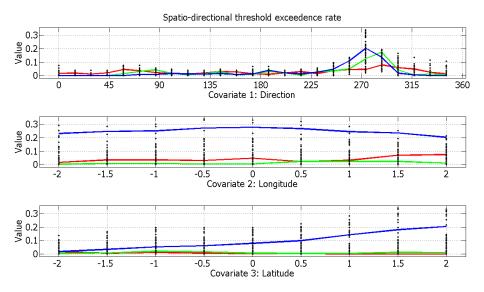
$$\ell_{\rho}^* = \ell_{\rho} + \lambda_{\rho} R_{\rho}$$

 (Negative) penalised Poisson log-likelihood for rate of occurrence of threshold excesses:

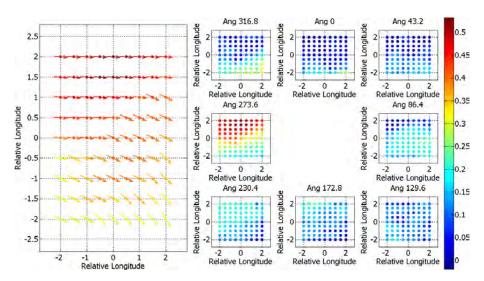
$$\ell_{\rho} = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \rho(\theta_{i}, x_{i}, y_{i}) + \int \rho(\theta, x, y) d\theta dxdy$$

•  $\lambda_{\rho}$  is estimated using cross validation.

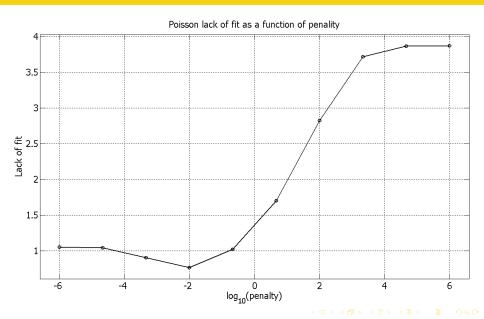
## Marginal Rate of Threshold Exceedances



#### Spatio-Directional Rate of Threshold Exceedances



## Cross Validation for Penalty



#### GP models size of threshold exceedances

 Generalised Pareto density (and negative conditional log-likelihood) for sizes of threshold excesses:

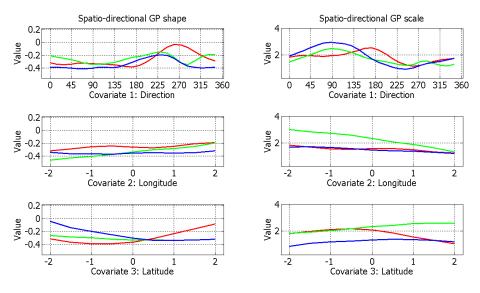
$$\ell_{\xi,\sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \sigma_i + \frac{1}{\xi_i} \log(1 + \frac{\xi_i}{\sigma_i} (z_i - \phi_i))$$

- Parameters: **shape**  $\xi$ , **scale**  $\sigma$ .
- Threshold  $\phi_i$  set prior to estimation.
- Smoothness is imposed by minimising the roughness penalised log-likelihood.

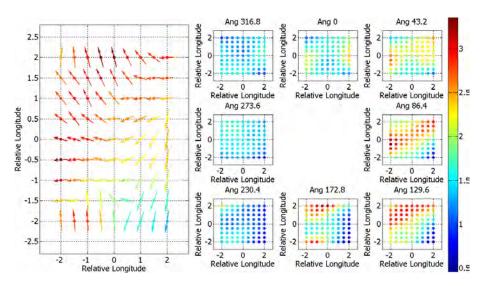
$$\ell_{\xi,\sigma}^* = \ell_{\xi,\sigma} + \lambda_{\xi} R_{\xi} + \lambda_{\sigma} R_{\sigma}$$

•  $\lambda_{\xi}$  and  $\lambda_{\sigma}$  are estimated using cross validation. In practice set  $\lambda_{\xi} = \kappa \lambda_{\sigma}$  for fixed  $\kappa$ .

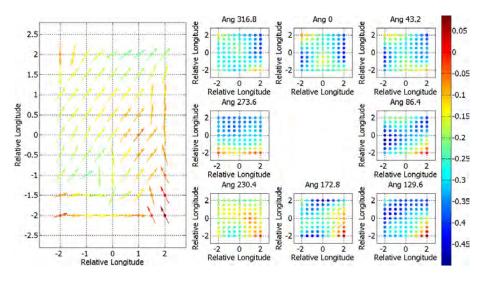
## Marginal Rate GP Shape and Scale



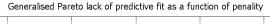
#### Spatio-Directional Scale of GP Exceedances

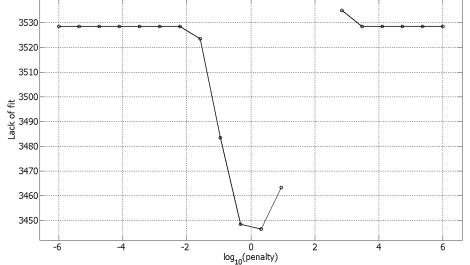


#### Spatio-Directional Shape of GP Exceedances



## Cross Validation for Penalty





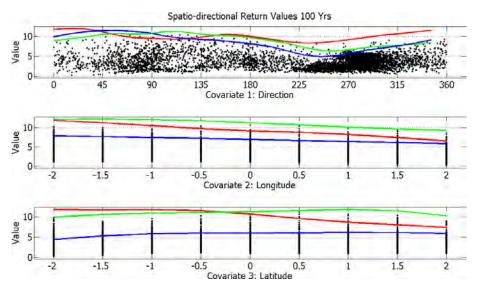
#### Return Values

• The return value  $z_T$  of storm peak significant wave height corresponding to some return period T, expressed in years, can be evaluated in terms of estimates for model parameters  $\phi, \rho, \xi$  and  $\sigma$ 

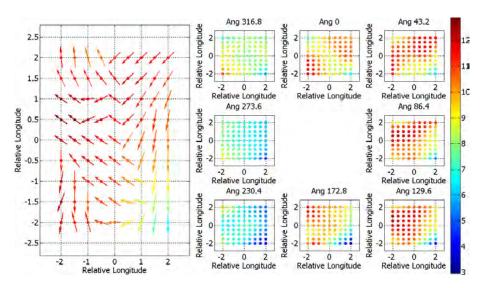
$$z_T = \phi - \frac{\sigma}{\xi} \left(1 + \frac{1}{
ho} (\log(1 - \frac{1}{T}))^{-\xi}\right)$$

•  $z_{100}$  corresponds to the 100–year return value, often denoted by  $H_{S100}$ .

## Marginal 100-year Return Value $H_{S100}$



## Spatio-Directional 100-year Return Value $H_{S100}$



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## Other Applications and Developments

- Spatio-directional models for other ocean basins
  - North Sea
  - Gulf of Mexico
- Spatio-temporal splines for non-stationary extreme values
  - Almost all current EVA assumes data are steady state
  - Climate change means this is no longer reliable.
  - Using GCM, RCM as well as historical hindcasts.
- Incorporation of uncertainty
  - Spatial block bootstrapping allows quick estimates of parameter uncertainty
  - Bayesian estimation.
- Incorporation of spatial dependency
  - Composite likelihood: model (asymptotically dependent) componentwise—maxima.
  - Censored likelihood: allows extension from block-maxima to threshold exceedances.

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