

This README file is a slightly modified version of Appendix 4 that accompanies the paper.

Appendix 4: R code and data for space-time occurrence models

The folder ‘Space-time models.zip’ contains R code and data to run all models described in the paper. Due to confidentiality issues, the ‘herring_data.csv’ dataset is a modified version of that used in the paper, so results of the analyses will differ. However, to encourage further exploration of our specific results, we include the ‘quadres2_sLap.Rdata’, a list containing model output that allows readers to reproduce the figures and tables presented in the manuscript.

Key components of the R code stored in this folder include:-

- (1) Preparing the data for modelling using the SPDE approach, allowing for different degrees of linearity and non-stationarity in the covariates and different specifications of the spatiotemporal random effects.
- (2) Creating a triangulated mesh upon which the GMRFs can be calculated.
- (3) Fitting the models, assessing model fit and predictive performance.
- (4) Extracting results from the posterior distribution and plotting summaries.
- (5) Making spatial predictions to an area of interest within the time series.
- (6) Assessing predictive performance to years outside the time series.

Folder name: ‘Space-time models.zip’

Relevant files/subfolders: i) ‘Herring models_23yrs.R’ (R code and functions for SPDE models).

- ii) 'mesh creation.R' (R code for different mesh resolutions).
- iii) 'herring_data.csv' (.csv data file containing point-referenced occurrence/absence records and covariates).
- iv) 'bisland.csv' (.csv data file with coordinates of the Icelandic coast).
- v) 'Adult-recruit ratios_SSB_numbers.csv' (.csv data file including time series of demographic parameters for Icelandic summer spawning herring – see main text of the paper for parameter codes).
- vi) 'space_grid.csv' (.csv data file with coordinates for spatial prediction grid).
- vii) 'quadres2_sLap.Rdata' (a four-element list containing model output for plotting Figs. 3-5, A7, reproducing Tables 2, 3, A1-A3, and summarizing key results). This list is accessed directly through the 'Herring models_23yrs.R' R script.
- viii) 'Final prediction rasters' (folder containing covariate layers for making spatial predictions for a subset of seasons).