

# Supplementary Material for “Bayesian Spatiotemporal Modeling for the Inpatient Hospital Costs of Alcohol-related Disorders”

## A Discussions on composite quantile regression

This section provides a detailed motivation for imposing the equality-of-slope condition in the composite quantile regression and summarizes the findings on CQR in the existing literature.

In general, the regression of the response on covariates is given by

$$y_i = m(\mathbf{x}_i) + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where  $m(\mathbf{x}_i)$  is the conditional mean of  $y_i$  given the vector of covariates  $\mathbf{x}_i$ ,  $\epsilon_i$  is the error term with mean zero, and  $n$  is the sample size. Then, the  $\tau$ -th conditional quantile function of  $y_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $\tau \in (0, 1)$  is given by

$$Q_\tau(y_i | \mathbf{x}_i) = Q_\tau(m(\mathbf{x}_i)) + Q_\tau(\epsilon_i) \quad (\text{A.2})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{LR}}{=} \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}_\tau + Q_\tau(\epsilon_i) \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{if } \epsilon_i \text{'s are independent of } \mathbf{x}_i}{=} \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta} + Q_\tau(\epsilon_i), \quad (\text{A.4})$$

where  $Q_{\tau_l}(y_i | \mathbf{x}_i) = \inf\{y_i : F(y_i | \mathbf{x}_i) \geq \tau\}$ ,  $Q_\tau(\cdot)$  are the  $\tau$ -th conditional quantile function, and the second equality considers the case of linear regression (LR) when  $m(\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}$ .

It is worth emphasizing that when the error terms are independent of the covariates for LR, the slope coefficients of all quantile regressions converge in probability to the same vector (Koenker & Bassett, 1982), which yields the equality in (A.4). Then, the conditional quantile functions are actually a family of parallel hyperplanes with unknown parameters being one vector of slopes and a set of distinct intercepts (Koenker & Bassett, 1982). In this case, the fixed slopes across quantiles coincide with the covariate effects on the conditional mean. These observations motivate the combination of multiple quantile regressions in LR under the equality-of-slopes condition to obtain the weighted composite quantile regression (WCQR) estimators for robust and efficient inference on the conditional mean function (Koenker, 1984), i.e.,

$$(\hat{\alpha}_{\tau_l}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \arg \min_{\alpha_{\tau_l}, \boldsymbol{\beta}} \sum_{l=1}^L \sum_{i=1}^n w_l \rho_{\tau_l}(y_i - \alpha_{\tau_l} - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}), \quad (\text{A.5})$$

where  $0 < \tau_1 < \dots < \tau_L < 1$  are  $L$  quantile levels,  $\alpha_{\tau_l} = Q_{\tau_l}(\epsilon)$ ,  $w_l$  is a quantile-specific weight, and  $\rho_{\tau_l}(u) = u\{\tau_l - 1(u < 0)\}$  is the quantile-specific check function for  $l = 1, \dots, L$ . Zou & Yuan (2008) viewed composite quantile regression (CQR) as an efficient and robust alternative to the least-squares (LS) estimator. They found that compared with the LS method, CQR has a relative efficiency greater than 70% regardless of the error distribution and sometimes can be arbitrarily more efficient than the LS and single quantile-based methods. The nice theoretical properties of CQR and WCQR have attracted increasing attention in recent years and applications of such a composite method can be found in various statistical problems, including regressions for correlated data (Tian et al., 2017, 2021), censored regression with measurement errors (Ma & Yin, 2011), time series regressions (Jiang et al., 2014), semi-parametric and nonparametric regressions (Kai

et al., 2011; Luo et al., 2019), and variable selection and feature screening procedures (Ma & Zhang, 2016; Xu, 2017). Though the parallel quantile curves are only guaranteed for models with error terms independent of the covariates, satisfactory performance of the WCQR has also been observed for heteroscedastic models of the form  $y_i = m(\mathbf{x}_i) + \sigma(\mathbf{x}_i)\epsilon_i$ , where  $\sigma(\mathbf{x}_i)$  is the conditional scale (see Zhao et al. (2016); Jiang et al. (2014); Zhao et al. (2017) for heteroscedastic linear regression, Jiang et al. (2016a) and Jiang et al. (2016b) for heteroscedastic semiparametric models, and Kai et al. (2010); Guo et al. (2012); Sun et al. (2013); Huang & Zhan (2021) for heteroscedastic nonparametric models).

The existing literature has provided several insights to help understand CQR. Ma & Yin (2011) highlighted from a general modeling perspective that as CQR aims to find a set of parallel regression curves, it can be viewed as a compromise between a set of quantile regression curves with different slopes and intercepts and a single summary regression curve. Bradic et al. (2011) explained the efficiency of CQR from a nonparametric perspective – the quantile-specific check functions combined in CQR can be viewed as a set of basis functions to approximate the unknown log-likelihood function of the error distribution. Furthermore, CQR (argmins of the weighted average of quantile regression objective functions) also bears a close relationship with the L-estimator (weighted averages of argmins), a robust and efficient estimator that has a great estimation advantage for heterogeneous and asymmetric data (Koenker, 2005). Koenker (1984) proved that the optimal performance of CQR and L-estimator for linear regression is identical. For detailed discussions on the two methods, we refer readers to (Koenker, 2005) and (Bloznelis et al., 2019).

In this paper, we use the spatiotemporal mixed-effect model with random slopes and random intercepts to capture the heterogeneity in the costs data and assume the iid error terms to be independent of covariates in (1). Following the idea of CQR, the proposed ST-WCQR does not need extra assumptions since the independence between the error terms and covariates already ensures the parallel quantile regression curves. In the simulation studies, we show in Examples 1-3 that ST-WCQR exhibits better prediction performance and higher estimation efficiency than the conventional mean regression method and single quantile-based method for heterogeneous asymmetric errors (independent of the covariate) of the form  $\epsilon_{ijk} = \sigma_{ij}\epsilon_{ijk}^*$ , where  $\sigma_{ij} \sim \text{Ga}(2, 2)$  allowing for spatiotemporal heterogeneity and  $\epsilon_{ijk}^*$  are generated independently from one of the six symmetric or asymmetric distributions. In the following supplementary Section C.2, we will further verify the advantages of using ST-WCQR for heterogenous errors that are correlated with covariates.

## B Gibbs sampling algorithms

### B.1 Gibbs sampling algorithm for the spatiotemporal weighted composite quantile regression

This section provides the Gibbs sampling algorithm for the proposed spatiotemporal weighted composite quantile regression model with shrinkage priors for the covariate effects. It is conducted by iteratively sampling from the following full conditional distributions of the unknown parameters given all the other parameters.

- **Update  $\alpha_l$ :** For the  $\tau_l$ -quantile ( $l = 1, \dots, L$ ), suppose that the prior of  $\alpha_l$  is assigned as  $N(\mu_{0,\alpha_l}, \sigma_{0,\alpha_l})$ . Then, the full conditional posterior distribution of  $\alpha_l$  is a normal distribution with its mean and variance being

$$\mu_{\alpha_l} = \sigma_{\alpha_l} \left\{ \Sigma_{0,\alpha_l}^{-1} \mu_{0,\alpha_l} + \mathbf{1}_N^\top \mathbf{V}_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Theta}} - \mathbf{Z}_\phi \boldsymbol{\phi} - \mathbf{Z}_\psi \boldsymbol{\psi} - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} - \xi_l \mathbf{v}_l) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.6})$$

and

$$\sigma_{\alpha_l} = \left( \Sigma_{0,\alpha_l}^{-1} + \mathbf{1}_N^\top \mathbf{V}_l^{-1} \mathbf{1}_N \right)^{-1}, \quad (\text{B.7})$$

where  $\mathbf{1}_N$  is a  $N \times 1$  vector of ones,  $\mathbf{V}_l$  is a  $N \times N$  diagonal matrix of  $\zeta_l \sigma_l v_{ijk,l}$ ,  $\mathbf{y}$  is a  $N \times 1$  stacked response vector (first varying  $k$  and  $i$  then  $j$ ),  $\mathbf{y} = (y_{111}, \dots, y_{nJK_{n,J}})^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_{111}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{nJK_{n,J}})^\top$  is a  $p \times N$  design matrix,  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  is a  $p \times 1$  vector of unknown coefficients,  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Theta}}$  is the vectorized  $n \times p$  random slope matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Theta} = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\theta}_n)^\top = (\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\cdot,1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\cdot,p})$ , and the corresponding design matrix for  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Theta}}$ , the spatial effects  $\boldsymbol{\phi}$ , the temporal effects  $\boldsymbol{\psi}$  and the spatio-temporal effects  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}$  are  $\mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\Theta}} = (\mathbf{Z}_{\Theta_1}, \dots, \mathbf{Z}_{\Theta_p})$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_\phi$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_\psi$ , and  $\mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\gamma}}$ , respectively.

- **Update  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ :** The full conditional posterior distribution of the vector of coefficients  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  is a  $p$ -dimensional multivariate normal distribution  $N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}_\beta, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta)$ , where

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_\beta = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta \mathbf{X}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L \mathbf{V}_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Theta}} - \mathbf{Z}_\phi \boldsymbol{\phi} - \mathbf{Z}_\psi \boldsymbol{\psi} - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} - \xi_l \mathbf{v}_l), \quad (\text{B.8})$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta = \left( \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_\beta^{-2} / \tau_\beta^2 + \mathbf{X}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L \mathbf{V}_l^{-1} \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.9})$$

- **Update  $\lambda_{\beta_h}^2$ :** Update  $\lambda_{\beta_h}^2$  from its  $IG(1, 1/\eta_{\beta_h} + \beta_h^2/(2\tau_\beta^2))$  full conditional for all  $h$ .
- **Update  $\eta_{\beta_h}$ :** Update  $\eta_{\beta_h}$  from its  $IG(1, 1 + 1/\lambda_{\beta_h}^2)$  full conditional for all  $h$ .

- **Update**  $\tau_{\beta}^2$ : Update  $\tau_{\beta}^2$  from its  $\text{IG}((1+p)/2, 1/\eta_{\beta_0} + \boldsymbol{\beta}^\top \Lambda_{\beta}^{-2} \boldsymbol{\beta}/2)$  full conditional.
- **Update**  $\eta_{\beta_0}$ : The full conditional posterior distribution of  $\lambda_{\beta_0}^2$  is  $\text{IG}(1, 1 + 1/\tau_{\beta}^2)$ .
- **Update**  $\Theta_{\cdot h}$ : Assume the prior in (11). We update the  $h$ -th column of the random slope matrix,  $\Theta_{\cdot h}$ , from its  $\text{N}_n(\mu_{\Theta_h}, \Sigma_{\Theta_h})$  full conditional for  $h = 1, \dots, p$ , where

$$\mu_{\Theta_h} = \Sigma_{\Theta_h} Z_{\Theta_h}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}_{\cdot-h}} \tilde{\Theta}_{\cdot-h} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_\psi \psi - Z_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\gamma} - \xi_l \mathbf{v}_l), \quad (\text{B.10})$$

and

$$\Sigma_{\Theta_h} = \left( P/(\lambda_{\Theta_h}^2 \tau_{\Theta}^2) + Z_{\Theta_h}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} Z_{\Theta_h} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.11})$$

At the end of this step, the updated  $\Theta_h$  is centered to ensure  $\sum_{i=1}^n \Theta_{ih} = 0$  for all  $h$ . Though it is a mathematically informal way to impose the sum-zero constraints, it has recently been proved by Ferreira et al. (2021) that the conditional distribution obtained by using the improper ICAR prior and the “centering-on-the-fly” is equivalent to the sum-zero constrained ICAR distribution which is formally specified in Keefe et al. (2018). Given that the “centering-on-the-fly” is easy to implement numerically in the MCMC, we adopt this technique in our algorithm.

- **Update**  $\lambda_{\Theta_h}^2$ : Update  $\lambda_{\Theta_h}^2$  from its  $\text{IG}(n/2, 1/\eta_{\Theta_h} + \Theta_{\cdot h}^\top \mathbf{P} \Theta_{\cdot h} / (2\tau_{\Theta}^2))$  full conditional for all  $h$ .
- **Update**  $\eta_{\Theta_h}$ : Update  $\eta_{\Theta_h}$  from its  $\text{IG}(1, 1 + 1/\lambda_{\Theta_h}^2)$  full conditional for all  $h$ .
- **Update**  $\tau_{\Theta}^2$ : Update  $\tau_{\Theta}^2$  from its  $\text{IG}(n/2, 1/\eta_{\Theta_0} + \sum_{h=1}^p \Theta_{\cdot h}^\top \mathbf{P} \Theta_{\cdot h} / (2\lambda_{\Theta_h}^2))$  full conditional.
- **Update**  $\eta_{\Theta_0}$ : Update  $\eta_{\Theta_0}$  from its  $\text{IG}(1, 1 + 1/\tau_{\Theta}^2)$  full conditional.
- **Update**  $\phi$ : Given the prior in (5), we update  $\phi$  from its  $\text{N}_n(\mu_{\phi}, \Sigma_{\phi})$  full conditional, where

$$\mu_{\phi} = \Sigma_{\phi} \left\{ Z_{\phi}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\psi \psi - Z_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\gamma} - \xi_l \mathbf{v}_l) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.12})$$

and

$$\Sigma_{\phi} = \left( \sigma_{\phi}^{-2} \mathbf{P} + Z_{\phi}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} Z_{\phi} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.13})$$

At the end of this step, the updated  $\phi$  is centered to ensure  $\sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i = 0$ .

- **Update  $\psi$ :** Given the prior in (6), we update  $\psi$  from its  $N_J(\mu_\psi, \Sigma_\psi)$  full conditional, where

$$\mu_\psi = \Sigma_\psi \left\{ Z_\psi^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{X}\beta - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\gamma} - \xi_l v_l) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.14})$$

and

$$\Sigma_\psi = \left( \sigma_\phi^{-2} \mathbf{R} + Z_\psi^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} Z_\psi \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.15})$$

At the end of this step, the updated  $\psi$  is centered to ensure  $\sum_{j=1}^J \psi_j = 0$ .

- **Update  $\tilde{\gamma}$ :** Given the prior in (7), the full conditional posterior distribution of  $\tilde{\gamma}$  is given by  $N_{n,J}(\mu_{\tilde{\gamma}}, \Sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}})$ , where

$$\mu_{\tilde{\gamma}} = \Sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}} \left\{ Z_{\tilde{\gamma}}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{X}\beta - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_\psi \psi - \xi_l v_l) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.16})$$

and

$$\Sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}} = \left( \sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{-2} (\mathbf{R} \otimes \mathbf{P}) + Z_{\tilde{\gamma}}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} Z_{\tilde{\gamma}} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.17})$$

As the dimensions of  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{P}$  are low, we follow Neelon et al. (2015) to update the  $\gamma$  by year separately from the following full conditionals to speed up the Gibbs sampler. Recall that the  $j$ -th column of  $\gamma$  denoted by  $\gamma_{\cdot j}$  is the spatiotemporal effects for the  $j$ -th year and denote  $Z_{\gamma_{\cdot j}} = (Z_{\gamma_{\cdot 1}}, \dots, Z_{\gamma_{\cdot m}})$ . The full conditional posterior distribution of  $\gamma_{\cdot j}$  is given by  $N_n(\Sigma_{\gamma_{\cdot j}} \mu_{\gamma_{\cdot j}}, \Sigma_{\gamma_{\cdot j}})$ , where

$$\mu_{\gamma_{\cdot j}} = \begin{cases} \sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{-2} \mathbf{P} \gamma_{\cdot 2} + Z_{\gamma_{\cdot 1}}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{X}\beta - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_\psi \psi - Z_{\gamma_{\cdot 1}} \gamma_{\cdot 1} - \xi_l v_l), & j = 1, \\ \sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{-2} \mathbf{P} \gamma_{\cdot m-1} + Z_{\gamma_{\cdot m}}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{X}\beta - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_\psi \psi - Z_{\gamma_{\cdot m}} \gamma_{\cdot m} - \xi_l v_l), & j = m, \\ \sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{-2} \mathbf{P} (\gamma_{\cdot j-1} + \gamma_{\cdot j+1}) + Z_{\gamma_{\cdot j}}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \alpha_l \mathbf{1}_N - \mathbf{X}\beta - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_\psi \psi - Z_{\gamma_{\cdot j}} \gamma_{\cdot j} - \xi_l v_l), & 1 < j < m, \end{cases} \quad (\text{B.18})$$

and

$$\Sigma_{\gamma_{\cdot j}} = \begin{cases} \left( \sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{-2} \mathbf{P} + Z_{\gamma_{\cdot j}}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} Z_{\gamma_{\cdot j}} \right)^{-1}, & j = 1, m, \\ \left( 2\sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{-2} \mathbf{P} + Z_{\gamma_{\cdot j}}^\top \sum_{l=1}^L V_l^{-1} Z_{\gamma_{\cdot j}} \right)^{-1}, & j = 2, \dots, m-1, \end{cases} \quad (\text{B.19})$$

Then, update the  $n \times J$  matrix  $\gamma$  according to these posterior samples. At the end of this step, the updated  $\gamma$  is centered by both row and column to ensure  $\sum_{j=1}^J \gamma_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_{ij} = 0$  for all  $j$ .

- **Update  $\sigma_\phi^2$ :** The derivation of the full conditional posterior distribution of  $\sigma_\phi^2$ ,  $\sigma_\psi^2$  and  $\sigma_\gamma^2$  involves correctly specification of the exponents of these parameters in the corresponding ICAR priors in (5)-(7), for which we refer readers to the detailed discussion in Hodges et al. (2003); Rue & Held (2005); Keefe et al. (2018); Ferreira et al. (2021). Given the prior  $\text{IG}(a, b)$ , draw  $\sigma_\phi^2$  from its  $\text{IG}(a^*, b^*)$  full conditional, where  $a^* = a + (n - 1)/2$  and  $b^* = b + \boldsymbol{\phi}^\top \mathbf{P} \boldsymbol{\phi}/2$ .
- **Update  $\sigma_\psi^2$ :** Given the prior  $\text{IG}(c, d)$ , draw  $\sigma_\psi^2$  from its  $\text{IG}(c^*, d^*)$  full conditional, where  $c^* = c + (J - 1)/2$  and  $d^* = d + \boldsymbol{\psi}^\top \mathbf{R} \boldsymbol{\psi}/2$ .
- **Update  $\sigma_\gamma^2$ :** Given the prior  $\text{IG}(e, f)$ , draw  $\sigma_\gamma^2$  from its  $\text{IG}(e^*, f^*)$  full conditional, where  $e^* = e + (n - 1)(J - 1)/2$  and  $f^* = f + \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}^\top (\mathbf{R} \otimes \mathbf{P}) \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}/2$ .
- **Update  $\sigma_l$ :** Given the prior  $\text{IG}(g_l, h_l)$  for  $l = 1, \dots, L$ , draw  $\sigma_l$  from its  $\text{IG}(g_l^*, h_l^*)$  full posterior distribution, where  $g_l^* = g_l + 3N/2$  and  $h_l^* = h_l + \sum_{i,j,k} \left\{ (y_{ijk} - \alpha_l - \mathbf{x}_{ijk}^\top (\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\theta}_i) - \phi_i - \psi_j - \gamma_{ij})^2 / (2\zeta_l v_{ijk,l}) + v_{ijk,l} \right\}$ .
- **Update  $v_{ijk,l}$ :** For all  $i, j, k, l$ , sample independently the inverse latent weights  $v_{ijk,l}^{-1}$  from

$$v_{ijk,l}^{-1} \propto \text{InvGauss} \left( \frac{\sqrt{\xi_l^2 + 2\zeta_l}}{|y_{ijk} - \alpha_l - \mathbf{x}_{ijk}^\top (\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\theta}_i) - \phi_i - \psi_j - \gamma_{ij}|}, \frac{\xi_l^2 + 2\zeta_l}{\zeta_l \sigma_l} \right). \quad (\text{B.20})$$

## B.2 Gibbs sampling algorithm for the spatiotemporal mean regression

Recall that the linear mixed effects model (1) is given by

$$y_{ijk} = \mathbf{x}_{ijk}^\top (\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\theta}_i) + \phi_i + \psi_j + \gamma_{ij} + \epsilon_{ijk}, \quad \forall i, j, k. \quad (\text{B.21})$$

where  $y_{ijk}$  and  $\mathbf{x}_{ijk} \in \mathcal{R}^p$  are the response and the covariates of the  $k$ -th subject in region  $i$  and period  $j$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  is the  $p$ -dimensional fixed effect,  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_i$  is the random effect of the covariates for the  $i$ -th region,  $\phi_i$ ,  $\psi_j$ , and  $\gamma_{ij}$  are the unobservable random intercept for the region  $i$  and period  $j$ , and  $\epsilon_{ijk}$  are the i.i.d. error terms of mean zero. We adopt the same notations as in the paper, i.e.,  $\mathbf{y} = (y_{111}, \dots, y_{nJK_{nJ}})^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_{111}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{nJK_{nJ}})^\top$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Theta} = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\theta}_n)^\top$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\phi} = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)^\top$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\psi} = (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_J)^\top$ , and the vectorized  $n \times J$  matrix  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$  composed of

$\gamma_{ij}$  is denoted as  $\tilde{\gamma} = \text{vec}(\boldsymbol{\gamma}) = (\gamma_{11}, \dots, \gamma_{nJ})^\top$ . For the conventional mean regression method, the error terms are assumed to follow a normal distribution, i.e.,  $\epsilon_{ijk} \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$  (Lindley & Smith, 1972). Assign a  $N(\mathbf{0}, 10^3 \mathbf{I})$  prior for the fixed effect  $\beta$ , an ICAR prior  $\pi(\Theta_{\cdot h} | \sigma_{\Theta_h}^2) \propto (\sigma_{\Theta_h}^2)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \exp\{-\Theta_{\cdot h}^\top \mathbf{P} \Theta_{\cdot h} / (2\sigma_{\Theta_h}^2)\}$  for the random effect  $\theta_i$  for all  $i$ , the same noninformative  $IG(0.001, 0.001)$  priors for  $\sigma_\epsilon^2$  and  $\sigma_{\Theta_h}$ , and the same priors for the other parameters as specified in Section 4 and 5. Then, the corresponding Gibbs sampling algorithm for the proposed spatiotemporal mean regression model can be derived as follows.

- **Update  $\beta$ :** Given the prior  $N_p(\mu_{0,\beta}, \Sigma_{0,\beta})$ , the full conditional posterior distribution of the vector of fixed effects  $\beta$  is a  $p$ -dimensional multivariate normal distribution  $N_p(\mu_\beta, \Sigma_\beta)$ , where

$$\mu_\beta = \Sigma_\beta \left\{ \Sigma_{0,\beta}^{-1} \mu_{0,\beta} + \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} \mathbf{X}^\top (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - \mathbf{Z}_\phi \phi - \mathbf{Z}_\psi \psi - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\gamma}) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.22})$$

and

$$\Sigma_\beta = \left( \Sigma_{0,\beta}^{-1} + \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1}, \quad (\text{B.23})$$

where the corresponding design matrix for the vectorized random slope matrix  $\Theta$  ( $\tilde{\Theta}$ ), the spatial effects  $\phi$ , the temporal effects  $\psi$  and the spatio-temporal effects  $\tilde{\gamma}$  are  $\mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\Theta}} = (\mathbf{Z}_{\Theta_1}, \dots, \mathbf{Z}_{\Theta_p})$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_\phi$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_\psi$ , and  $\mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\gamma}}$ , respectively.

- **Update  $\Theta_{\cdot h}$ :** Assume the ICAR prior  $\pi(\Theta_{\cdot h} | \sigma_{\Theta_h}^2) \propto (\sigma_{\Theta_h}^2)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \exp\{-\Theta_{\cdot h}^\top \mathbf{P} \Theta_{\cdot h} / (2\sigma_{\Theta_h}^2)\}$ . We update the  $h$ -th column of the random slope matrix,  $\Theta_{\cdot h}$ , from its  $N_n(\mu_{\Theta_h}, \Sigma_{\Theta_h})$  full conditional separately for  $h = 1, \dots, p$ , where

$$\mu_{\Theta_h} = \Sigma_{\Theta_h} \left\{ \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} \mathbf{Z}_{\Theta_h}^\top (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\Theta}_{\cdot-h}} \tilde{\Theta}_{\cdot-h} - \mathbf{Z}_\phi \phi - \mathbf{Z}_\psi \psi - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\gamma}) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.24})$$

and

$$\Sigma_{\Theta_h} = \left( \sigma_{\Theta_h}^{-2} \mathbf{P} + \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} \mathbf{Z}_{\Theta_h}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{\Theta_h} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.25})$$

- **Update  $\phi$ :** Given the prior in (7), update  $\phi$  from its  $N_n(\mu_\phi, \Sigma_\phi)$  full conditional, where

$$\mu_\phi = \Sigma_\phi \left\{ \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} \mathbf{Z}_\phi^\top (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - \mathbf{Z}_\psi \psi - \mathbf{Z}_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\gamma}) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.26})$$

and

$$\Sigma_\phi = \left( \sigma_\phi^{-2} \mathbf{P} + \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} \mathbf{Z}_\phi^\top \mathbf{Z}_\phi \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.27})$$

At the end of this step, the updated  $\phi$  is centered to ensure  $\sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i = 0$ .

- **Update  $\psi$ :** Given the prior in (8), update  $\psi$  from its  $N_J(\mu_\psi, \Sigma_\psi)$  full conditional, where

$$\mu_\psi = \Sigma_\psi \left\{ \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} Z_\psi^\top (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_{\tilde{\gamma}} \tilde{\gamma}) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.28})$$

and

$$\Sigma_\psi = \left( \sigma_\phi^{-2} \mathbf{R} + \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} Z_\psi^\top Z_\psi \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.29})$$

At the end of this step, the updated  $\psi$  is centered to ensure  $\sum_{j=1}^J \psi_j = 0$ .

- **Update  $\tilde{\gamma}$ :** Given the prior in (9), update  $\tilde{\gamma}$  from its  $N_{nJ}(\mu_{\tilde{\gamma}}, \Sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}})$  full conditional, where

$$\mu_{\tilde{\gamma}} = \Sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}} \left\{ \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} Z_{\tilde{\gamma}}^\top (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta - Z_{\tilde{\Theta}} \tilde{\Theta} - Z_\phi \phi - Z_\psi \psi) \right\}, \quad (\text{B.30})$$

and

$$\Sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}} = \left( \sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{-2} (\mathbf{R} \otimes \mathbf{P}) + \sigma_\epsilon^{-2} Z_{\tilde{\gamma}}^\top Z_{\tilde{\gamma}} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{B.31})$$

Then, update the  $n \times J$  matrix  $\gamma$  according to these posterior samples. In our algorithm, we update  $J$  columns of  $\gamma$  separately for computation efficiency. At the end of this step, the updated  $\gamma$  is centered by both row and column to ensure  $\sum_{j=1}^J \gamma_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_{ij} = 0$  for all  $j$ .

- **Update  $\sigma_{\Theta_h}^2$ :** Given the prior  $IG(v, w)$ , draw  $\sigma_{\Theta_h}^2$  from its  $IG(v^*, w^*)$  full conditional, where  $v^* = v + (n-1)/2$  and  $w^* = w + \Theta_{\cdot h}^\top \mathbf{P} \Theta_{\cdot h}/2$ .
- **Update  $\sigma_\phi^2$ :** Given the prior  $IG(a, b)$ , draw  $\sigma_\phi^2$  from its  $IG(a^*, b^*)$  full conditional, where  $a^* = a + (n-1)/2$  and  $b^* = b + \phi^\top \mathbf{P} \phi/2$ .
- **Update  $\sigma_\psi^2$ :** Given the prior  $IG(c, d)$ , draw  $\sigma_\psi^2$  from its  $IG(c^*, d^*)$  full conditional, where  $c^* = c + (J-1)/2$  and  $d^* = d + \psi^\top \mathbf{R} \psi/2$ .
- **Update  $\sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^2$ :** Given the prior  $IG(e, f)$ , draw  $\sigma_{\tilde{\gamma}}^2$  from its  $IG(e^*, f^*)$  full conditional, where  $e^* = e + (n-1)(J-1)/2$  and  $f^* = f + \tilde{\gamma}^\top (\mathbf{R} \otimes \mathbf{P}) \tilde{\gamma}/2$ .
- **Update  $\sigma_\epsilon^2$ :** Given the prior  $IG(g, h)$ , draw  $\sigma_\epsilon^2$  from its  $IG(g^*, h^*)$  full posterior distribution, where  $g^* = g + N/2$  and  $h^* = h + \sum_{i,j,k} \{y_{ijk} - \mathbf{x}_{ijk}^\top (\beta + \theta_i) - \phi_i - \psi_j - \gamma_{ij}\}^2/2$ .

## C Additional results for simulation studies

### C.1 Additional results for Section 5

Tables C1-C6 provide additional simulation results for Section 5.

Table C1: The simulation results of ST-WCQR, STMR, STQR, and STQR\_Neelon when the data sets are generated from symmetric error distributions for the very sparse case with  $p = 20$  over 20 simulations. Optimal results are marked in bold.

$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(vary)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		MAPE	$\beta$		$\gamma$		
					MSE	$\psi$		precision	recall			
1	ST	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.505	0.952	1.000	0.973	
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.502	1.000	0.850	0.917	
		STMR	-	<0.001	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.001</b>	0.507	0.905	1.000	0.945	
	WC	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<b>0.502</b>	1.000	0.940	0.967	
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.503	1.000	0.990	<b>0.994</b>	
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.503	0.833	1.000	0.909	
2	ST	STQR_Neelon	1.106	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.006	0.942	0.853	1.000	0.913	
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<b>0.502</b>	1.000	0.860	0.922	
		STMR	0.001	<0.001	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.002</b>	0.510	0.913	1.000	0.783	
	WC	$L = 3$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.502	1.000	0.960	0.978	
		$L = 5$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.502	1.000	0.990	0.994	
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.835	0.893	1.000	0.900	
3	ST	STQR_Neelon	0.735	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.800	0.899	1.000	1.000	
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.384</b>	1.000	0.947	0.970	
		STMR	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.397	0.625	1.000	0.726	
	WC	$L = 3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.483	1.000	0.973	<b>0.985</b>	
		$L = 5$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.484	1.000	0.900	0.944	
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.416	1.000	0.900	1.000	
t	ST	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.585	0.947	1.000	0.968	
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.584</b>	1.000	0.830	0.906	
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.595	0.931	1.000	0.961	
	WC	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.002	0.585	1.000	0.920	0.956	
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.002	0.585	1.000	0.990	0.994
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.585	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	
1	ST	STQR_Neelon	1.104	<0.001	0.004	0.002	0.008	1.048	0.862	1.000	0.920	
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.561</b>	1.000	0.820	0.900	
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.603	0.900	1.000	0.944	
	WC	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.562	1.000	0.980	0.989	
		$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.563	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.003</b>	0.564	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	
2	ST	STQR_Neelon	1.008	<0.001	0.004	0.002	0.006	1.026	0.857	1.000	0.919	
		STQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.583</b>	1.000	0.850	0.917	
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.586	0.905	1.000	0.947	
	WC	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.584	1.000	0.930	0.961	
		$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	0.585	1.000	0.990	0.994	
		$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.585	1.000	1.000	1.000	
3	ST	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.798	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	
		STQR	-	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.797</b>	1.000	0.830	0.906	
		STMR	-	49.702	0.788	0.940	0.872	5.866	0.660	0.500	0.551	
	WC	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.003	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.006	0.799	1.000	0.830	0.904	
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.798	1.000	0.810	0.890	
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.799	1.000	0.870	0.926	
Cauchy	ST	STQR_Neelon	1.103	<0.001	0.005	0.002	0.011	1.336	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	0.006	<b>0.773</b>	1.000	0.830	0.906	
		STMR	29.160	18.200	0.977	1.025	3.078	6.529	0.762	0.480	0.550	
	WC	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.001	<b>0.006</b>	0.774	1.000	0.800	0.884	
		$L = 5$	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.002	0.008	0.774	1.000	0.870	0.926	
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.798	1.000	1.000	-	
3	ST	STQR_Neelon	1.005	<0.001	0.007	<0.001	0.012	1.303	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	
		STQR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.765</b>	1.000	0.800	0.889	
		STMR	104.322	6.935	1.736	2.063	6.026	8.624	0.683	0.470	0.522	
	WC	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.006	0.766	1.000	0.810	0.894	
		$L = 5$	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.007	0.767	1.000	0.830	0.904	
		$L = 9$	0.003	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.008	0.767	1.000	0.850	0.914	

Table C2: The simulation results of ST-WCQR, STMR, STQR, and STQR\_Neelon when the data sets are generated from six error distributions for the sparse case with  $p = 20$  over 20 simulations. Optimal results are marked in bold.

$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(var)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		MAPE	$\beta$		$\gamma$	
					$\psi$	$\theta$		precision	recall		
Ex1	STQR	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.505	0.986	1.000	0.993
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.501	1.000	1.000	-
		STMR	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.507	0.961	1.000	0.979
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<b>0.501</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.503	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.503	1.000	1.000	-
Ex2	STQR	STQR_Neelon	0.969	<0.001	0.005	0.002	0.008	1.384	0.943	1.000	0.970
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	<b>0.468</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMR	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.487	0.960	1.000	0.908
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.469	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.481	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.011	1.440	0.936	1.000	0.966
Ex3	STQR	STQR_Neelon	1.030	0.001	0.004	0.002	0.011	1.440	0.936	1.000	0.970
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.489</b>	0.933	1.000	0.964
		STMR	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.492	1.000	1.000	0.852
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.493	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.506	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.585	0.979	1.000	0.989
t	STQR	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.584</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.595	0.975	1.000	0.986
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.006	0.578	0.942	1.000	0.969
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.584	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	0.584	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.585	1.000	1.000	-
Cauchy	STQR	STQR_Neelon	0.967	0.001	0.005	0.003	0.012	1.486	0.910	1.000	0.952
		STQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.562</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.006	0.564	1.000	1.000	0.953
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.563	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.003</b>	0.564	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 9$	0.002	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.561	0.947	1.000	0.972
Ex1	STQR	STQR_Neelon	1.028	0.001	0.009	0.003	0.013	1.561	0.947	1.000	0.952
		STQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.562	1.000	1.000	-
		STMR	0.005	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.005	<b>0.581</b>	0.934	1.000	0.964
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.583	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	0.584	1.000	1.000	0.941
		$L = 9$	0.002	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.586	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex2	STQR	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.798	1.000	1.000	-
		STQR	-	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	0.796	1.000	1.000	-
		STMR	-	27.287	0.788	0.940	0.872	5.846	0.908	0.690	0.768
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.003	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.006	0.798	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.798	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.005	0.002	0.007	0.775	1.000	1.000	-
Ex3	STQR	STQR_Neelon	0.968	0.001	0.009	0.003	0.018	1.797	1.000	1.000	-
		STQR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.003</b>	<0.001	<b>0.004</b>	<b>0.771</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMR	13.155	12.105	1.088	0.834	1.505	6.654	0.914	0.680	0.745
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.001	0.005	0.773	1.000	1.000	0.175
		$L = 5$	0.003	<0.001	0.005	0.002	0.006	0.775	1.000	1.000	0.040
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.010	0.003	0.019	1.871	0.995	1.000	0.998
Cauchy	STQR	STQR_Neelon	1.030	0.002	0.010	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	0.798	1.000	1.000	-
		STQR	<b>0.003</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.004</b>	<b>0.771</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMR	40.624	13.620	0.914	1.116	1.036	5.795	0.859	0.680	0.725
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.799	1.000	1.000	0.317
		$L = 5$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.800	1.000	1.000	0.040
		$L = 9$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.007	<b>0.784</b>	1.000	1.000	0.145

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$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(vary)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		$\psi$		MAPE		$\beta$	$\gamma$
					$\theta$	$\phi$	$\psi$	$\theta$	precision	recall		
1		STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.261	0.475	0.977	1.000	<b>0.987</b>	-
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.260	0.473	1.000	0.840	0.911	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.366	0.108	0.712	0.747	0.924	1.000	0.957	-
2	LN	ST-WCQR $L=3$	-	<0.001	0.087	0.027	0.171	0.442	1.000	0.850	0.917	-
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	-	<0.001	0.072	<b>0.022</b>	0.142	<b>0.442</b>	1.000	0.880	0.933	-
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.068</b>	0.032	<b>0.140</b>	0.450	1.000	0.970	0.983	-
3		STQR_Neelon	0.968	0.001	0.220	0.053	0.344	1.443	0.891	1.000	0.936	-
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.163	0.040	0.271	0.453	1.000	0.820	0.900	1.000
		STMIR	0.007	<0.001	0.429	0.111	0.732	0.717	0.897	1.000	0.941	0.900
1		ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.106	0.027	0.179	0.425	1.000	0.870	0.928	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	<0.001	0.087	0.023	0.148	<b>0.424</b>	1.000	0.910	0.950	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.073</b>	<b>0.019</b>	<b>0.124</b>	0.425	1.000	0.950	<b>0.972</b>	1.000
2	$\chi^2$	STQR_Neelon	1.030	0.001	0.199	0.055	0.371	1.506	0.942	1.000	0.966	-
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.133	0.047	0.268	0.467	1.000	0.820	0.900	1.000
		STMIR	0.007	<0.001	0.388	0.093	0.737	0.725	0.862	1.000	0.919	0.817
3		ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.087	0.032	0.180	0.436	1.000	0.860	0.922	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.071</b>	0.026	<b>0.150</b>	0.435	1.000	0.870	0.928	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	<0.001	0.090	<b>0.019</b>	0.175	<b>0.429</b>	1.000	0.980	<b>0.989</b>	1.000
1		STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.251	0.078	0.493	0.741	0.983	1.000	0.991	-
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.282	0.056	0.480	0.734	1.000	0.860	0.922	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.526	0.162	1.050	0.940	0.899	1.000	0.943	-
2		ST-WCQR $L=3$	-	<0.001	0.191	0.036	0.320	<b>0.703</b>	1.000	0.920	0.956	-
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	-	<0.001	0.161	<b>0.031</b>	0.253	0.706	1.000	0.960	0.978	-
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.113</b>	0.036	<b>0.228</b>	0.704	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	-
3		STQR_Neelon	0.963	0.001	0.367	0.086	0.614	1.596	0.864	1.000	0.919	-
		STQR	0.002	<0.001	0.319	0.078	0.543	0.707	1.000	0.840	0.911	1.000
		STMIR	0.006	0.001	0.639	0.158	1.133	0.900	0.851	1.000	0.913	0.908
1		ST-WCQR $L=3$	0.002	<0.001	0.212	0.054	0.367	<b>0.671</b>	1.000	0.920	0.956	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	0.002	<0.001	0.173	0.045	0.300	0.673	1.000	0.940	0.967	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.141</b>	<b>0.036</b>	<b>0.248</b>	0.674	1.000	0.990	<b>0.994</b>	1.000
2		STQR_Neelon	1.026	0.001	0.350	0.092	0.631	1.664	0.886	1.000	0.934	-
		STQR	0.002	<0.001	0.256	0.097	0.524	0.726	1.000	0.860	0.922	1.000
		STMIR	0.007	<0.001	0.595	0.151	1.110	0.898	0.910	1.000	0.948	0.895
3		ST-WCQR $L=3$	0.002	<0.001	0.168	0.067	0.349	<b>0.689</b>	1.000	0.920	0.956	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.136</b>	0.055	<b>0.290</b>	0.692	1.000	0.960	0.978	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	0.002	<0.001	0.175	<b>0.038</b>	0.330	0.704	1.000	0.980	<b>0.989</b>	1.000
1		STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.092	0.029	0.181	0.310	0.936	1.000	0.964	-
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.107	0.021	0.165	0.304	1.000	0.790	0.881	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.130	0.040	0.257	0.345	0.855	1.000	0.918	-
2		ST-WCQR $L=3$	-	<0.001	0.089	0.018	0.138	<b>0.299</b>	1.000	0.870	0.928	-
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	-	<0.001	0.082	<b>0.016</b>	<b>0.127</b>	0.300	1.000	0.920	0.956	-
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.074</b>	0.034	0.148	0.307	1.000	0.980	<b>0.989</b>	-
3		STQR_Neelon	0.972	<0.001	0.140	0.032	0.237	1.261	0.864	1.000	0.921	-
		STQR	<0.001	0.109	0.033	0.229	0.288	1.000	0.810	0.894	1.000	
		STMIR	<0.001	0.163	0.040	0.276	0.332	0.881	1.000	0.932	0.586	
1		ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	0.091	0.028	0.193	<b>0.281</b>	1.000	0.910	0.950	1.000	
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	<b>0.081</b>	0.021	0.153	0.291	1.000	0.950	0.972	1.000	
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	0.081	<b>0.020</b>	<b>0.136</b>	0.290	1.000	0.980	<b>0.989</b>	1.000	
2		STQR_Neelon	1.031	<0.001	0.130	0.042	0.246	1.314	0.868	1.000	0.926	-
		STQR	<0.001	0.086	0.028	0.186	0.296	1.000	0.800	0.889	1.000	
		STMIR	<0.001	0.150	0.038	0.283	0.331	0.853	1.000	0.917	0.668	
3		ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	0.072	0.024	0.156	<b>0.290</b>	1.000	0.870	0.928	1.000	
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	0.066	<b>0.022</b>	0.142	0.292	1.000	0.910	0.950	1.000	
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	<b>0.065</b>	0.024	<b>0.141</b>	0.297	1.000	0.960	<b>0.978</b>	1.000	

Table C3: The simulation results of ST-WCQR, STMR, STQR, and STQR\_Neelon when the data sets are generated from six error distributions for the dense case with  $p = 20$  over 20 simulations. Optimal results are marked in bold.

$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(var)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		MAPE	$\beta$		$\gamma$		
					$\psi$	$\theta$		precision	recall			
Norm	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.505	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.501	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMR	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.507	1.000	1.000	-	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.502	1.000	1.000	-	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.502	1.000	1.000	-	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.503	1.000	1.000	-	
Ex3	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	0.959	0.001	0.008	0.003	0.019	1.892	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.485</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		STMR	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.002</b>	0.493	1.000	1.000	0.976	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.002	0.485	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.486	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.487	1.000	1.000	1.000	
t	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	1.032	0.002	0.013	0.003	0.020	1.943	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		STMR	0.002	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.480</b>	1.000	1.000	0.979	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.505	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.492	1.000	1.000	1.000	
Cauchy	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.585	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.583</b>	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMR	-	<0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.595	1.000	1.000	-	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.584	1.000	1.000	-
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	0.584	1.000	1.000	-
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.585	1.000	1.000	-
Ex3	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	0.959	0.002	0.012	0.002	0.021	2.011	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.568	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		STMR	0.005	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.006	0.590	1.000	1.000	0.980	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.569	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	0.002	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.571	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	0.002	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.567</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	
t	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	1.032	0.002	0.015	0.003	0.022	2.046	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.005	<b>0.561</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		STMR	0.005	<0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.573	1.000	1.000	0.995	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.562	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.563	1.000	1.000	
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.004</b>	0.567	1.000	1.000	
Cauchy	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	0.798	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	-	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	0.005	<b>0.797</b>	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMR	-	23.869	0.789	0.940	0.872	5.872	0.800	0.190	0.277	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.003	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.006	0.798	1.000	1.000	-
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.798	1.000	1.000	-
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.799	1.000	1.000	-
Ex3	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	0.957	0.002	0.015	0.005	0.031	2.380	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.003</b>	0.001	<b>0.006</b>	<b>0.778</b>	1.000	1.000	0.995	
		STMR	146.144	23.868	0.791	0.943	0.877	6.226	0.850	0.195	0.271	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.003	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.001</b>	0.006	0.783	1.000	1.000	0.995
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	0.001	0.007	0.783	1.000	1.000	0.997
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	0.001	0.008	0.785	1.000	1.000	1.000
Cauchy	Ex1	STQR_Neelon	1.029	0.003	0.017	0.006	0.034	2.392	1.000	1.000	-	
		STQR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.795</b>	1.000	1.000	0.995	
		STMR	32.722	16.219	1.094	1.343	3.065	6.476	0.850	0.183	0.275	
	Ex2	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.003	<0.001	0.003	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.006	0.798	1.000	1.000	0.995
		ST-WCQR	$L = 5$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.798	1.000	1.000	0.997
		ST-WCQR	$L = 9$	0.003	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.799	1.000	1.000	1.000

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$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(vary)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		$\psi$		MAPE		$\beta$		$\gamma$	
					$\theta$	$\phi$	$\psi$	$\theta$	precision	recall	F1	precision	recall	F1
1		STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.261	0.475	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.260	0.473	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.366	0.108	0.712	0.747	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
2	LN	ST-WCQR $L=3$	-	<0.001	0.087	0.027	0.171	0.442	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	-	<0.001	0.072	0.022	0.143	<b>0.442</b>	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	-	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.061</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.120</b>	0.443	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
3		STQQR_Neelon	0.959	0.002	0.254	0.087	0.414	1.973	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.163	0.058	0.283	0.460	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.008	<0.001	0.437	0.154	0.790	0.734	1.000	1.000	0.969	1.000	0.984	0.988
1	$\chi^2$	ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.107	0.039	0.191	0.430	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	<0.001	0.089	0.033	0.160	0.430	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.074</b>	<b>0.028</b>	<b>0.134</b>	<b>0.430</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
2	Ga	STQQR_Neelon	1.032	0.002	0.249	0.091	0.475	2.026	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.145	0.059	0.326	0.458	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.007	0.001	0.418	0.176	0.851	0.712	1.000	1.000	0.978	1.000	0.995	0.975
3	Ga	ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	0.096	0.040	0.222	0.428	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	0.080	0.033	0.185	<b>0.427</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	<b>0.067</b>	<b>0.028</b>	<b>0.153</b>	0.433	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
1	$\chi^2$	STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.251	0.078	0.493	0.741	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.250	0.078	0.492	0.737	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.526	0.162	1.050	0.940	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
2	Ga	ST-WCQR $L=3$	-	<0.001	0.167	0.055	0.332	<b>0.703</b>	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	-	<0.001	0.139	0.044	0.275	0.705	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	-	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.113</b>	<b>0.036</b>	<b>0.228</b>	0.704	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
3	Ga	STQQR_Neelon	0.957	0.002	0.318	0.107	0.649	2.126	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	0.003	<0.001	0.309	0.104	0.545	0.718	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.006	<0.001	0.526	0.162	1.049	0.941	1.000	1.000	0.977	1.000	0.995	0.988
1	Ga	ST-WCQR $L=3$	0.002	<0.001	0.209	0.071	0.372	<b>0.681</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	0.002	<0.001	0.172	0.060	0.306	0.684	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<b>0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.140</b>	<b>0.050</b>	<b>0.250</b>	<b>0.287</b>	0.683	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
2	Ga	STQQR_Neelon	1.030	0.002	2.405	1.906	2.378	2.152	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	0.002	<0.001	0.278	0.110	0.616	0.713	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.006	<0.001	0.589	0.251	1.239	0.882	1.000	1.000	0.958	1.000	0.995	0.975
3	Ga	ST-WCQR $L=3$	0.002	<0.001	0.189	0.077	0.427	<b>0.678</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	0.002	<0.001	0.154	0.067	0.347	0.679	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<b>0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.130</b>	<b>0.052</b>	<b>0.287</b>	0.685	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
1	Ga	STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.092	0.029	0.181	0.310	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.092	0.028	0.181	0.308	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.130	0.040	0.257	0.345	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
2	Ga	ST-WCQR $L=3$	-	<0.001	0.081	0.017	0.159	0.300	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	-	<0.001	0.074	<b>0.016</b>	0.142	<b>0.298</b>	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.065</b>	0.020	<b>0.128</b>	0.302	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
3	Ga	STQQR_Neelon	0.961	0.002	0.129	0.038	0.240	1.808	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	0.113	0.040	0.197	0.300	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	<0.001	0.130	0.040	0.257	0.347	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.935	1.000	0.965
1	Ga	ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	0.093	0.033	0.167	<b>0.293</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	0.086	0.031	0.153	0.294	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	<b>0.079</b>	<b>0.028</b>	<b>0.141</b>	0.294	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
2	Ga	STQQR_Neelon	1.033	0.002	0.137	0.054	0.286	1.855	1.000	1.000	-	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.107	0.042	0.238	0.324	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	<0.001	0.148	0.063	0.311	0.326	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.911	1.000	0.952
3	Ga	ST-WCQR $L=3$	<0.001	0.089	0.035	0.202	0.318	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=5$	<0.001	<b>0.082</b>	0.032	0.185	0.320	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		ST-WCQR $L=9$	<0.001	0.095	<b>0.031</b>	<b>0.180</b>	<b>0.293</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000

Table C4: The simulation results of ST-WCQR, STMIR, STQQR, and STQQR\_Neelon when the data sets are generated from six error distributions for the very sparse case with  $p = 8$  over 20 simulations. Optimal results are marked in bold.

$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(var)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		MAPE	$\beta$		$\gamma$	
					$\psi$	$\theta$		precision	recall		
1	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.505	0.967	1.000	0.980
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.004	0.505	1.000	1.000	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.506	0.983	1.000	0.990
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.505	0.983	1.000	0.990
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.505	0.967	1.000	0.980
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.506	0.967	1.000	0.980
2	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.757	0.908	1.000	0.943
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.503</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.002	0.505	0.983	1.000	0.804
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	0.983	1.000	0.990
		$L = 5$	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	0.983	1.000	0.990
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	0.983	1.000	0.990
3	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	0.6666	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.744	0.892	1.000	0.933
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.509</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.002	0.527	0.942	1.000	0.963
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.509	0.967	1.000	0.980
		$L = 5$	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.510	0.950	1.000	0.970
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.510	0.917	1.000	0.950
t	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.586	0.983	1.000	0.990
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.586</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMIR	0.004	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.591	0.892	1.000	0.930
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.002	0.586	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	0.586	0.983	1.000	0.990
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.587	1.000	1.000	-
1	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.006	0.852	0.917	1.000	0.950
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.586</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMIR	0.004	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.591	0.933	1.000	0.960
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.002	0.586	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.587	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.005	0.839	0.900	1.000	0.940
3	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	0.664	<0.001	0.002	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.593</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.001	0.003	0.615	0.920	1.000	0.949
		STMIR	0.003	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.005	0.593	0.983	1.000	0.980
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.003	0.593	0.983	1.000	0.990
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.002	0.593	0.967	1.000	0.980
		$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.593	0.983	1.000	0.990
t	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	0.800	1.000	1.000	-
		STQQR	-	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	0.005	<b>0.799</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMIR	0.004	<0.001	0.002	0.006	0.816	4.213	0.475	1.000	0.358
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.006	0.800	1.000	1.000	-
		$L = 5$	0.002	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.800	0.983	1.000	0.990
		$L = 9$	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.801	0.983	1.000	0.990
Cauchy	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.004	0.001	0.008	1.122	1.000	1.000	-
		STQQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.798</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMIR	7.095	3.721	1.218	1.026	1.041	3.730	0.433	0.300	0.340
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.006	0.801	1.000	1.000	0.050
		$L = 5$	0.002	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.800	0.983	1.000	0.990
		$L = 9$	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.801	0.983	1.000	0.990
3	ST-WCQR	STQQR_Neelon	0.664	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.007	1.095	1.000	1.000	-
		STQQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.832</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	18.795	17.083	1.959	1.772	1.465	4.230	0.450	0.350	0.383
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.001	0.006	0.834	1.000	1.000	0.050
		$L = 5$	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.008	0.834	1.000	1.000	0.050
		$L = 9$	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.009	0.835	0.983	1.000	0.990

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$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(vary)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		$\psi$		MAPE		$\beta$		$\gamma$	
					$\theta$	$\phi$	$\psi$	$\theta$	precision	recall	F1	precision	recall	F1
Ex1	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.261	0.474	0.983	1.000	0.990	-	-	-
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.132	0.041	0.261	0.474	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		STMIR	-	0.001	0.367	0.107	0.711	0.744	0.958	1.000	0.973	-	-	-
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.087	0.027	0.170	0.442	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.072	0.022	0.142	<b>0.442</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.119</b>	0.443	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
Lnorm	STQQR	Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.160	0.060	0.296	0.765	0.933	1.000	0.957	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.132	0.041	0.261	0.474	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.004	<0.001	0.374	0.095	0.724	0.746	0.942	1.000	0.963	0.942	1.000	0.958
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.087	0.027	0.170	0.442	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	<0.001	0.072	0.022	0.142	<b>0.442</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.119</b>	0.443	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex2	STQQR	Neelon	0.666	<0.001	0.134	0.039	0.308	0.746	0.950	1.000	0.970	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.143	0.053	0.286	0.479	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.005	<0.001	0.343	0.104	0.815	0.778	0.892	1.000	0.933	0.950	1.000	0.967
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.093	0.033	0.186	0.446	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.076	0.028	0.153	<b>0.446</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.063</b>	<b>0.023</b>	<b>0.128</b>	0.448	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex3	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.251	0.077	0.494	0.741	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.251	0.077	0.494	0.740	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.525	0.162	0.505	0.939	0.933	1.000	0.960	-	-	-
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.137	0.044	0.273	0.706	0.967	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.224</b>	0.706	0.975	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.224</b>	0.706	0.975	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
Chisq	STQQR	Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.287	0.104	0.549	0.989	0.875	1.000	0.923	-	-	-
		STQQR	0.002	<0.001	0.251	0.077	0.494	0.741	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.003	<0.001	0.539	0.134	0.707	0.937	0.883	1.000	0.927	0.850	1.000	0.900
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	0.166	0.055	0.331	<b>0.705</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	0.137	0.044	0.273	0.707	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.224</b>	0.706	0.967	1.000	0.980	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex3	STQQR	Neelon	0.666	<0.001	0.244	0.077	0.569	0.987	0.917	1.000	0.950	-	-	-
		STQQR	0.002	<0.001	0.246	0.077	0.569	0.767	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.005	<0.001	0.508	0.156	1.181	0.979	0.933	1.000	0.960	0.900	1.000	0.933
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	0.001	<0.001	0.164	0.052	0.378	<b>0.730</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	0.133	0.042	0.308	0.733	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.108</b>	<b>0.034</b>	<b>0.252</b>	0.732	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex1	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.092	0.028	0.181	0.310	0.933	1.000	0.960	-	-	-
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.092	0.028	0.181	0.309	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.129	0.040	0.257	0.345	0.933	1.000	0.960	-	-	-
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.077	0.024	0.151	<b>0.303</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.070	0.022	0.139	0.304	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.064</b>	<b>0.020</b>	<b>0.128</b>	0.303	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	-	-
Gamm	STQQR	Neelon	1.007	<0.001	0.106	0.039	0.212	0.579	0.875	1.000	0.920	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.092	0.028	0.181	0.309	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	<0.001	<0.001	0.135	0.034	0.273	0.345	0.903	1.000	0.934	0.763	1.000	0.837
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.077	0.024	0.151	<b>0.303</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.070	0.022	0.139	0.304	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.064</b>	<b>0.020</b>	<b>0.128</b>	0.303	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex3	STQQR	Neelon	0.667	<0.001	0.089	0.030	0.215	0.561	0.908	1.000	0.943	-	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.099	0.038	0.206	0.312	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	<0.001	<0.001	0.127	0.039	0.292	0.360	0.917	1.000	0.950	0.804	1.000	0.862
	ST-WCQQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.084	0.032	0.171	<b>0.306</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.076	0.030	0.156	0.307	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.070</b>	<b>0.027</b>	<b>0.144</b>	0.306	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000

Table C5: The simulation results of ST-WCQR, STMR, STQR, and STQR\_Neelon when the data sets are generated from six error distributions for the sparse case with  $p = 8$  over 20 simulations. Optimal results are marked in bold.

$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(var)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		MAPE	$\beta$		$\gamma$	
					$\psi$	$\theta$		precision	recall		
1	ST	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.505	0.980	1.000	0.989
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	0.925	0.957
		STMR	-	<0.001	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>0.001</b>	0.506	0.990	1.000	<b>0.994</b>
	WC	$L=3$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<b>0.504</b>	1.000	0.888	0.936
		$L=5$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	0.900	0.943
		$L=9$	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	0.863	0.921
2	ST	STQR_Neelon	0.919	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.006	0.893	0.963	1.000	0.979
		STQR	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<b>0.486</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMR	0.001	<0.001	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.507	0.990	1.000	0.994
	WC	$L=3$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.486	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L=5$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.486	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L=9$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.486	1.000	1.000	1.000
3	ST	STQR_Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.916	0.990	1.000	<b>0.994</b>
		STQR	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.484</b>	1.000	0.875	0.929
		STMR	0.001	<0.001	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.507	0.990	1.000	<b>0.994</b>
	WC	$L=3$	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.485	1.000	0.888	0.933
		$L=5$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.485	1.000	0.913	0.950
		$L=9$	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.486	1.000	0.913	0.950
t	ST	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.586	0.990	1.000	<b>0.994</b>
		STQR	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.586</b>	1.000	0.925	0.957
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.591	0.947	1.000	0.969
	WC	$L=3$	-	<0.001	0.002	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.002	0.586	1.000	0.925	0.957
		$L=5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	0.586	1.000	0.950	0.971
		$L=9$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.587	1.000	0.938	0.964
1	ST	STQR_Neelon	0.916	<0.001	0.004	0.001	0.007	0.994	0.970	1.000	0.983
		STQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.003	<b>0.563</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	0.001	0.002	0.004	0.594	0.970	1.000	0.983
	WC	$L=3$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.002	0.003	0.564	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L=5$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	0.003	0.564	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L=9$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.003</b>	0.564	1.000	1.000	1.000
2	ST	STQR_Neelon	1.002	<0.001	0.003	0.001	0.007	1.020	0.960	1.000	0.978
		STQR	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.586</b>	1.000	0.938	0.964
		STMR	0.004	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.001	0.004	0.594	0.970	1.000	<b>0.983</b>
	WC	$L=3$	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.586	1.000	0.925	0.957
		$L=5$	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.587	1.000	0.950	0.971
		$L=9$	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.587	1.000	0.925	0.957
3	ST	STQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	0.800	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>
		STQR	-	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	0.005	<b>0.798</b>	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>
		STMR	0.004	17.902	0.838	1.006	0.816	4.212	0.750	0.413	0.505
	WC	$L=3$	-	<0.001	0.004	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.006	0.800	1.000	0.963	0.979
		$L=5$	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.006	0.799	1.000	0.988	0.993
		$L=9$	-	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.801	1.000	0.925	0.957
Cauchy	ST	STQR_Neelon	0.915	<0.001	0.004	0.002	0.011	1.265	1.000	1.000	-
		STQR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.006	<b>0.775</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMR	31.235	20.599	0.797	1.003	0.840	4.196	0.846	0.550	0.642
	WC	$L=3$	0.003	<0.001	0.003	0.001	<b>0.006</b>	0.777	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L=5$	0.003	<0.001	0.003	0.002	0.008	0.777	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L=9$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	0.002	0.010	1.288	1.000	1.000	-
1	ST	STQR_Neelon	0.999	<0.001	0.004	0.002	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.799</b>	1.000	1.000
		STQR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	0.006	<b>0.775</b>	1.000	1.000	-
		STMR	20.603	0.797	1.003	0.839	4.203	0.846	0.550	0.642	0.250
	WC	$L=3$	0.002	<0.001	0.004	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.006	0.801	1.000	0.963	0.979
		$L=5$	0.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.801	1.000	0.988	0.993
		$L=9$	0.003	<0.001	0.005	0.007	0.007	0.802	1.000	0.925	0.955

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$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(vary)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		$\psi$		MAPE		$\beta$	$\gamma$
					$\theta$	$\phi$	$\psi$	$\theta$	precision	recall		
Ex1	STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.262	0.474	0.990	1.000	<b>0.994</b>	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	0.132	0.041	0.261	0.474	1.000	0.925	0.957	-	-
		STMIR	<0.001	0.367	0.107	0.711	0.744	0.980	1.000	0.989	-	-
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.087	0.027	0.170	0.442	1.000	0.875	0.929	-	-
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.072	0.022	0.142	<b>0.441</b>	1.000	0.913	0.950	-	-
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.119</b>	0.443	1.000	0.788	0.874	-	-
Ex2	STQQR_Neelon	0.919	<0.001	0.176	0.064	0.331	0.920	0.963	1.000	0.979	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	0.136	0.057	0.297	0.459	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.010	0.001	0.365	0.107	0.708	1.299	0.990	1.000	0.994	0.967
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.090	0.038	0.198	0.429	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	1.000	0.980
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.075	0.031	0.163	<b>0.427</b>	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.119</b>	0.443	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	1.000	1.000
Ex3	STQQR_Neelon	1.004	<0.001	0.149	0.040	0.334	0.940	0.990	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	0.132	0.041	0.261	0.474	1.000	0.925	0.957	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.010	0.001	0.365	0.107	0.708	1.299	0.990	1.000	<b>0.994</b>	0.967
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.087	0.027	0.170	0.443	1.000	0.875	0.929	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.072	0.022	0.142	<b>0.442</b>	1.000	0.913	0.950	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.119</b>	0.443	1.000	0.890	0.900	1.000	1.000
Chisq	STQQR_Neelon	-	<0.001	0.251	0.077	0.494	0.741	1.000	1.000	<b>1.000</b>	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	0.250	0.077	0.494	0.740	1.000	0.963	0.979	-	-
		STMIR	<0.001	0.525	0.162	1.050	0.939	0.980	1.000	0.989	-	-
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.137	0.044	0.273	0.706	1.000	0.938	0.964	-	-
		$L = 5$	<0.001	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.224</b>	0.705	1.000	0.888	0.936	-	-
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.119</b>	0.443	1.000	0.813	0.890	1.000	1.000
Gamm	STQQR_Neelon	0.914	<0.001	0.286	0.116	0.568	1.121	0.990	1.000	0.994	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	0.260	0.109	0.566	0.716	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.002	0.001	0.523	0.161	1.043	1.698	0.960	1.000	0.978	1.000
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.001	0.176	0.075	0.383	<b>0.679</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	0.001	0.144	0.063	0.314	0.680	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.116</b>	<b>0.051</b>	<b>0.258</b>	0.679	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex3	STQQR_Neelon	1.001	<0.001	0.273	0.069	0.605	1.149	0.970	1.000	<b>0.983</b>	-	-
		STQQR	<0.001	0.250	0.077	0.493	0.741	1.000	0.963	0.979	1.000	1.000
		STMIR	0.009	0.001	0.523	0.161	1.043	1.699	0.960	1.000	0.978	1.000
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.002	0.167	0.055	0.331	<b>0.705</b>	1.000	0.963	0.979	1.000	1.000
		$L = 5$	0.001	0.137	0.044	0.273	0.707	1.000	0.963	0.979	1.000	1.000
		$L = 9$	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.225</b>	0.706	1.000	0.863	0.921	1.000	1.000

Table C6: The simulation results of ST-WCQR, STMIR, STQQR, and STQQR\_Neelon when the data sets are generated from six error distributions for the dense case with  $p = 8$  over 20 simulations. Optimal results are marked in bold.

$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(var)	MSE(stat)	$\phi$		MAPE	$\beta$		precision	recall	$\gamma$	
					$\psi$	$\theta$		precision	recall				
1	ST	STQQR	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.505	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 3	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.506	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	-	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 5	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<b>0.504</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 9	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.504	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
2	ST	STQQR	Neelon	0.945	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.008	1.242	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.487</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 3	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.507	1.000	1.000	0.933	0.962	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.487	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 5	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.488	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 9	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.487	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
3	ST	STQQR	Neelon	1.004	<0.001	0.004	0.002	0.009	1.277	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.476</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 3	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.480	1.000	1.000	0.933	0.962
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.477	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
		L = 5	-	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.477	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 9	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.478	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
t	ST	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.586	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.586</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 3	-	<0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.592	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.002	0.582	1.000	1.000	-	-
		L = 5	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.582	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 9	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.587	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
1	ST	STQQR	Neelon	0.943	<0.001	0.006	0.002	0.009	1.355	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.585</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 3	0.004	<0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.595	1.000	1.000	0.980	0.989	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.002	0.587	1.000	1.000	1.000	-
		L = 5	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.586	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 9	0.002	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.001</b>	0.587	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
2	ST	STQQR	Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.005	0.002	0.008	1.388	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	<b>0.558</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 3	0.004	<0.001	0.001	0.002	0.005	0.566	1.000	1.000	0.990	0.994	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.002	0.558	1.000	1.000	1.000	-
		L = 5	-	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.558	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 9	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	<b>0.002</b>	0.559	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
3	ST	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.005	0.800	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.005	<b>0.798</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 3	14.117	0.796	1.001	0.841	0.489	0.750	0.194	0.281	-	-	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.800	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 5	-	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.800	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
		L = 9	0.001	<0.001	0.005	0.001	0.007	0.801	1.000	1.000	1.000	-	
Cauchy	ST	STQQR	Neelon	0.942	0.001	0.009	0.002	0.016	1.666	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	<b>0.002</b>	<0.001	<b>0.003</b>	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.799</b>	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 3	26.508	14.146	0.799	1.001	0.840	4.254	0.750	0.194	0.281	0.075	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	0.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.801	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.110
		L = 5	-	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.005	0.801	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 9	0.003	<0.001	0.001	0.009	0.018	1.695	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
3	ST	STQQR	Neelon	1.001	<0.001	0.009	<0.001	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.758</b>	1.000	1.000	-	
		STMIR	6.937	11.905	1.052	0.832	1.046	4.031	0.700	0.200	0.289	0.050	
		L = 3	0.003	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.005	0.759	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.013	
	WC	STWCQR	L = 5	0.003	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.005	0.760	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.020
		L = 5	-	<0.001	0.004	<0.001	0.006	0.761	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
		L = 9	0.003	<0.001	0.004	0.001	0.006	0.761	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	

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$\epsilon$	Example	Method	MSE(vary)	MSE(stat)	$\beta$		$\gamma$	
					$\phi$	$\psi$	MSE	MAPE
Ex1	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.262	0.474
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.132	0.041	0.261	0.474
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.365	0.107	0.708	1.300
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.087	0.027	0.170	0.442
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.072	0.022	0.142	<b>0.441</b>
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.119</b>	0.443
Ex2	STQQR	Neelon	0.934	0.001	0.137	0.047	0.264	1.571
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.135	0.041	0.262	0.450
		STMIR	0.010	<0.001	0.365	0.107	0.708	1.299
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	<0.001	0.088	0.028	0.172	0.419
		$L = 5$	<0.001	<0.001	0.072	0.023	0.142	<b>0.419</b>
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<0.001	<b>0.060</b>	<b>0.019</b>	<b>0.118</b>	0.420
Ex3	STQQR	Neelon	1.003	<0.001	0.213	0.060	0.353	1.335
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.159	0.048	0.273	0.452
		STMIR	0.007	<0.001	0.414	0.131	0.743	0.708
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.104	0.033	0.181	0.422	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.085	0.027	0.150	<b>0.422</b>	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.071</b>	<b>0.023</b>	<b>0.125</b>	0.423	1.000
Chisq	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.251	0.077	0.494	0.741
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.250	0.077	0.494	0.741
		STMIR	-	0.002	0.523	0.161	1.043	1.701
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.137	0.044	0.273	0.704
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.224</b>	0.706
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.035</b>	<b>0.225</b>	0.706
Gamm	STQQR	Neelon	0.932	0.001	0.187	0.067	0.402	1.846
		STQQR	0.002	<0.001	0.250	0.077	0.493	0.739
		STMIR	0.010	0.002	0.523	0.161	1.043	1.697
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	0.167	0.054	0.331	<b>0.704</b>
		$L = 5$	0.001	<0.001	0.137	0.044	0.273	0.707
		$L = 9$	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.040</b>	<b>0.241</b>	0.667
Ex1	STQQR	Neelon	1.002	0.001	0.365	0.097	0.607	1.508
		STQQR	0.003	<0.001	0.311	0.088	0.539	0.698
		STMIR	0.006	0.001	0.620	0.183	1.091	0.883
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	0.002	<0.001	0.207	0.060	0.360	<b>0.664</b>
		$L = 5$	0.002	<0.001	0.169	0.049	0.296	0.666
		$L = 9$	<b>0.001</b>	<0.001	<b>0.137</b>	<b>0.040</b>	<b>0.225</b>	0.706
Ex2	STQQR	Neelon	-	<0.001	0.092	0.028	0.181	0.310
		STQQR	-	<0.001	0.092	0.028	0.181	0.309
		STMIR	-	<0.001	0.129	0.040	0.256	0.913
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	-	<0.001	0.077	0.024	0.151	<b>0.302</b>
		$L = 5$	-	<0.001	0.070	0.022	0.139	0.303
		$L = 9$	-	<0.001	<b>0.064</b>	<b>0.020</b>	<b>0.128</b>	0.303
Ex3	STQQR	Neelon	0.936	<0.001	0.100	0.037	0.195	1.328
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.094	0.029	0.191	0.295
		STMIR	0.002	<0.001	0.129	0.040	0.256	0.913
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.078	0.024	0.158	<b>0.289</b>	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.070	0.022	0.144	0.289	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.065</b>	<b>0.020</b>	<b>0.132</b>	0.289	1.000
Gamm	STQQR	Neelon	1.007	<0.001	0.133	0.041	0.231	1.149
		STQQR	<0.001	<0.001	0.107	0.032	0.191	0.293
		STMIR	0.002	<0.001	0.153	0.047	0.272	0.327
	ST-WCQR	$L = 3$	<0.001	0.078	0.024	0.158	<b>0.289</b>	1.000
		$L = 5$	<0.001	0.070	0.022	0.144	0.289	1.000
		$L = 9$	<0.001	<b>0.065</b>	<b>0.020</b>	<b>0.132</b>	0.289	1.000

## C.2 Additional simulation studies

**Example 4.** (*Heterogeneous random errors*) In this example, we consider the case when the error terms are correlated with covariates for  $i = 1, \dots, 7; j = 1, 2, 3; k = 1, \dots, 500$ :

$$y_{ijk} = \mathbf{x}_{ijk}(\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\theta}_i) + \phi_i + \psi_j + \gamma_{ij} + (1 + x_{ijk,1})\epsilon_{ijk}, \quad (\text{C.32})$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (1, -2, \dots, (-1)^{p/4-1}p/4, 0, \dots, 0)^\top$  and  $p = 20$ . Other settings are the same as those in Examples 1 and 2.

Table C7 compares the results of ST-WCQR, STMR, STQR, and STQR\_Neelon (Neelon et al., 2015) for Example 4 over 20 simulations. We find that ST-WCQR has better prediction performance than other methods in most situations for heteroscedastic models. Even for cases when a better method exists, ST-WCQR performs nearly as well as the superior method. Similar to the case in Examples 2 & 3, STQR\_Neelon fails to select and estimate the spatially varying effects as other methods do and thus has the largest prediction errors for the heterogeneous data. STMR performs consistently the worst especially when the error distribution is asymmetric or has infinite variance like Cauchy distribution.

Table C7: The simulation results of ST-WCQR, STMR, STQR, and STQR\_Neelon in Example 4 when the data sets are generated from six error distributions for the very sparse case with  $p = 20$  over 20 simulations. Optimal results are marked in bold.

$\epsilon$	Method	MSE(vary)	MSE(stat)	MSE		$\beta$		$\gamma$	
				$\phi$	$\psi$	MAPE	precision	recall	F1
Norm	STQR_Neelon	0.917	<0.001	0.041	0.002	0.013	0.829	0.887	1.000
	STQR	< <b>0.001</b>	< <b>0.001</b>	< <b>0.001</b>	< <b>0.001</b>	0.406	1.000	0.800	0.889
	STMR	0.003	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.004	0.416	0.855	1.000
	ST-WCQR	<i>L</i> = 3	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<b>0.405</b>	1.000	0.910
	<i>L</i> = 5	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.406	1.000	0.950
	<i>L</i> = 9	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.405	1.000	0.960
t	STQR_Neelon	0.918	<0.001	0.050	0.002	0.012	0.916	0.911	1.000
	STQR	< <b>0.001</b>	0.472	1.000	0.810				
	STMR	0.009	0.001	0.005	0.002	0.011	0.511	0.894	1.000
	ST-WCQR	<i>L</i> = 3	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	<b>0.472</b>	1.000	0.910
	<i>L</i> = 5	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.001	0.472	1.000	0.950
	<i>L</i> = 9	0.001	<0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.473	1.000	0.961
Cauchy	STQR_Neelon	5.359	<0.001	0.056	0.002	0.012	1.157	1.000	<b>1.000</b>
	STQR	<b>4.445</b>	< <b>0.001</b>	<b>0.002</b>	< <b>0.001</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.654</b>	1.000	0.910
	STMR	18.982	12.570	1.237	0.982	2.286	5.172	0.646	<0.001
	ST-WCQR	<i>L</i> = 3	4.510	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	0.003	0.657	1.000
	<i>L</i> = 5	4.527	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.004	0.657	1.000	0.910
	<i>L</i> = 9	4.537	<0.001	0.003	<0.001	0.004	0.659	1.000	0.880
LN	STQR_Neelon	1.149	<0.001	0.122	0.026	0.168	0.910	0.975	1.000
	STQR	0.379	< <b>0.001</b>	0.116	0.014	0.089	0.487	0.970	0.970
	STMR	<b>0.199</b>	0.003	0.371	0.109	0.694	0.928	0.884	1.000
	ST-WCQR	<i>L</i> = 3	0.370	<0.001	0.082	0.012	0.089	<b>0.485</b>	0.980
	<i>L</i> = 5	0.375	<0.001	0.071	0.012	0.089	0.487	0.990	0.990
	<i>L</i> = 9	0.375	<0.001	<b>0.064</b>	<b>0.012</b>	<b>0.087</b>	0.487	0.990	1.000
$\chi^2$	STQR_Neelon	1.228	<0.001	0.175	0.038	0.225	1.151	0.934	0.986
	STQR	0.484	< <b>0.001</b>	0.216	0.021	<b>0.132</b>	0.720	0.990	0.990
	STMR	<b>0.265</b>	0.002	0.513	0.169	1.033	1.134	0.921	1.000
	ST-WCQR	<i>L</i> = 3	0.461	<0.001	0.156	0.020	0.145	0.723	0.990
	<i>L</i> = 5	0.466	<0.001	0.135	0.020	0.143	<b>0.719</b>	1.000	1.000
	<i>L</i> = 9	0.467	<0.001	<b>0.119</b>	<b>0.020</b>	0.141	0.720	1.000	1.000
Ga	STQR_Neelon	0.948	<0.001	0.088	0.021	0.135	0.728	0.942	1.000
	STQR	0.085	< <b>0.001</b>	0.079	<b>0.010</b>	<b>0.073</b>	<b>0.328</b>	1.000	1.000
	STMR	<b>0.067</b>	<0.001	0.131	0.041	0.257	0.462	0.871	1.000
	ST-WCQR	<i>L</i> = 3	0.076	<0.001	0.067	0.011	0.077	0.334	0.975
	<i>L</i> = 5	0.074	<0.001	0.062	0.011	0.078	0.338	0.958	1.000
	<i>L</i> = 9	0.073	<0.001	<b>0.058</b>	0.011	0.079	0.339	0.908	1.000

## D Additional results for the case study

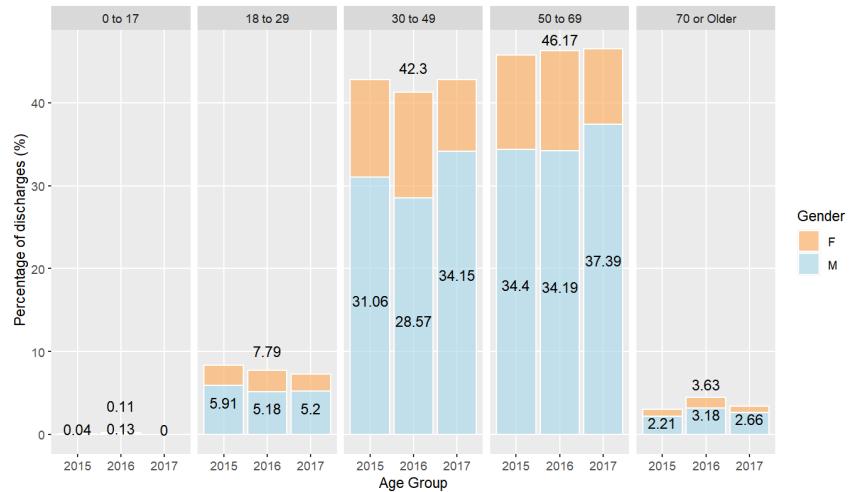


Figure D.1: The yearly age-gender composition of the discharged patients admitted with alcohol-related disorders from 2015 to 2017. For each year, the percentage of male inpatients' discharge records of each age group among all the records of that year is labeled in the middle of each bar. The numbers displayed at the top of the bars are average percentages of discharge for each age group over the three years.

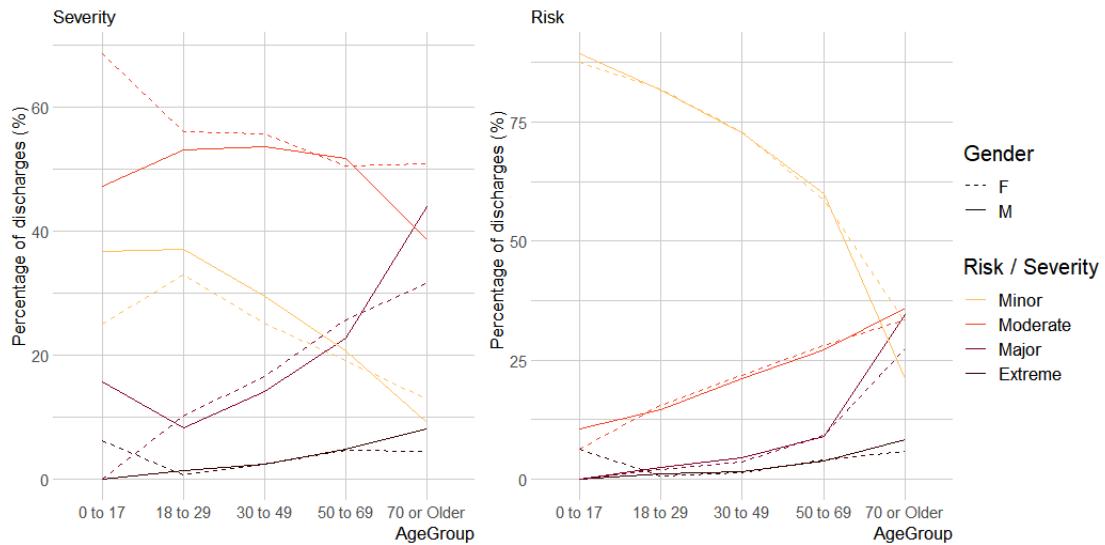


Figure D.2: The composition of the discharged patients admitted with alcohol-related disorders by the severity of illness (left panel) and the risk of mortality (right panel) given age and gender. The severity of illness (the degree of physiologic decompensation or organ system derangement) and the risk of mortality (the likelihood of dying) are four-level measures assessed through a uniform set of diagnosis-based methods in the All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Groups payment system used by many US hospitals for inpatient visit classification (Averill et al., 2003).

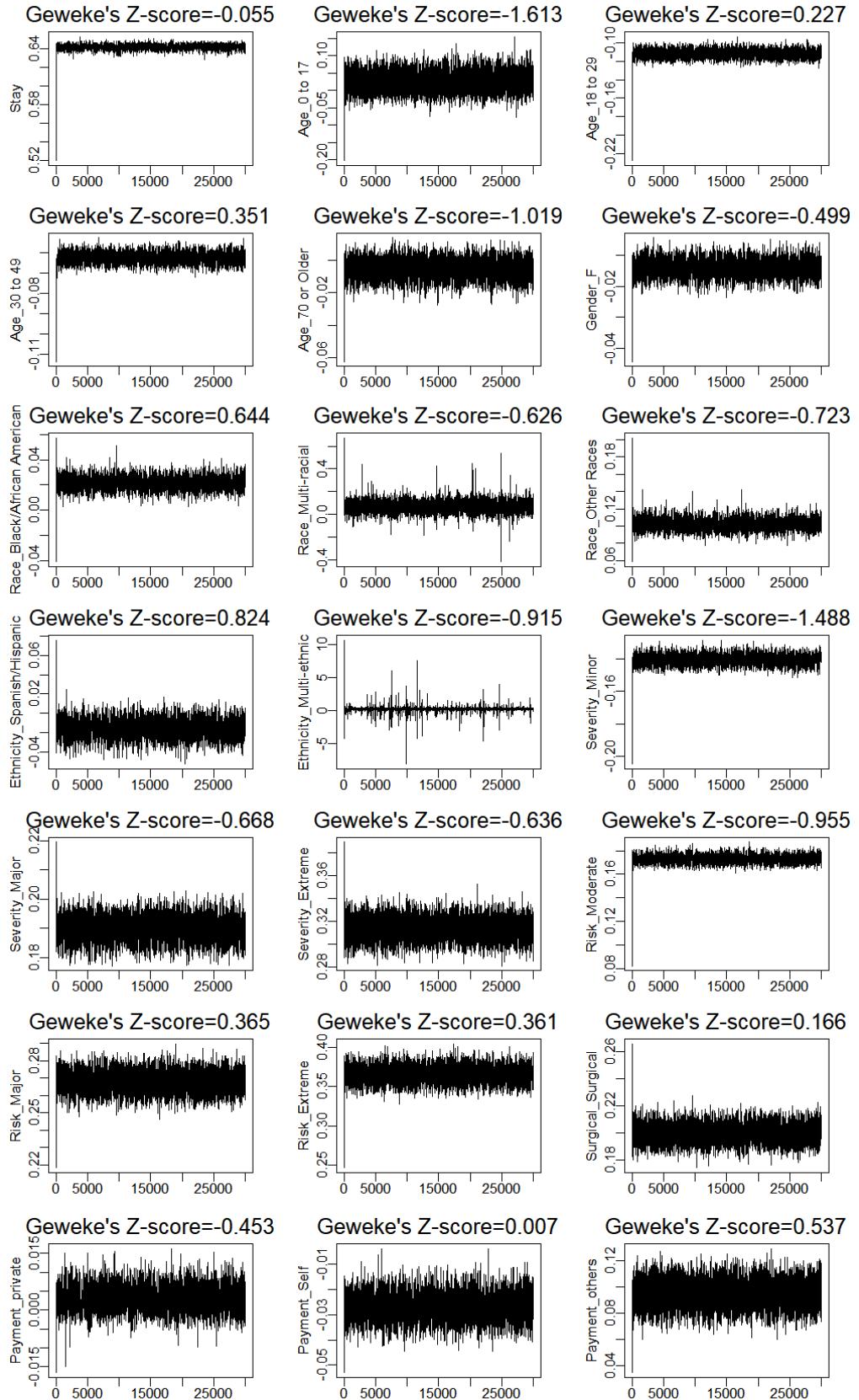


Figure D.3: The trace plots of the fixed effects estimated by the ST-WCQR with  $L_{\text{opt}} = 9$  and their Geweke's z-scores.

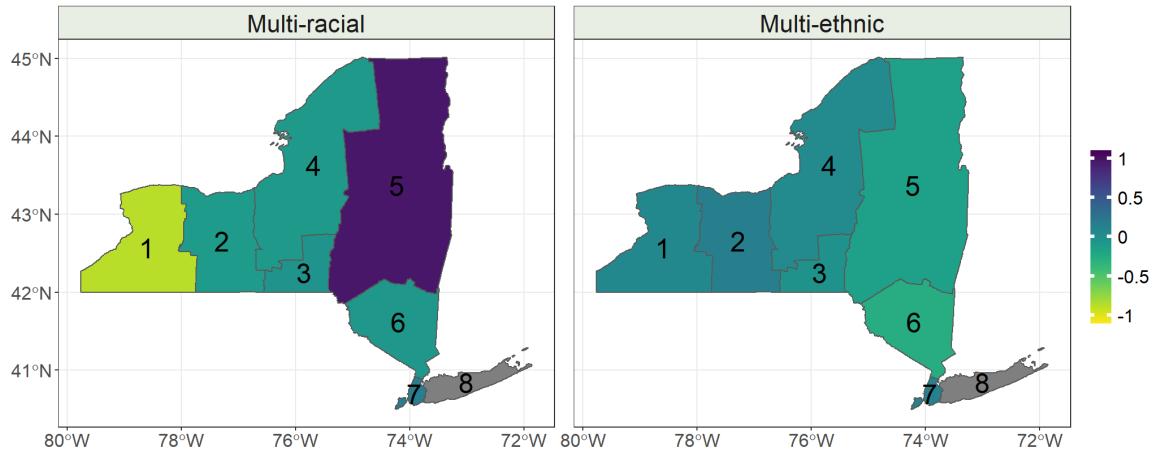


Figure D.4: The plot of the estimated significant spatially varying coefficients  $\theta_i$  for the seven healthcare service areas by ST-WCQR. We label the areas as 1: Western NY, 2: Finger Lakes, 3: Southern Tier, 4: CNY, 5: Capital/Adirondack, 6: Hudson Valley, 7: NYC.

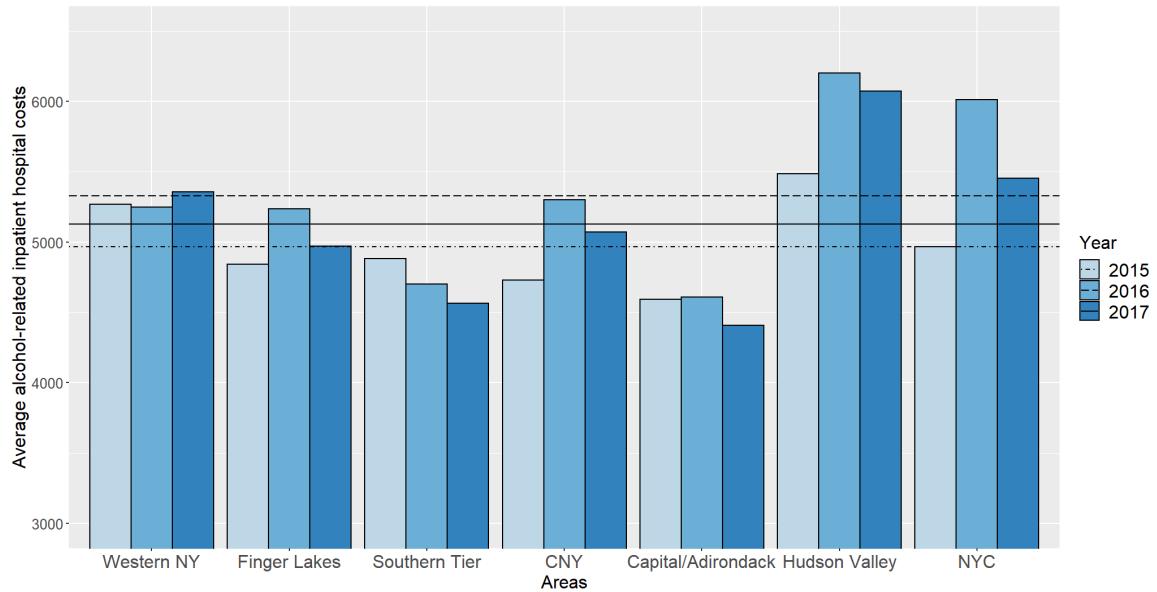


Figure D.5: The estimated area-specific average inpatient hospital costs for the reference group (grouped barplot) from 2015 to 2017 and the estimated yearly statewide average costs (horizontal lines). The reference group is non-Hispanic, white, male patients between the age of 50-69 with federal insurance, who receive medical treatment with an average length of stay (4.9 days) for minor risk of mortality and moderate severity of illness, and who have no spatiotemporal effects.

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