

Interactive comment on “Reconstructing three decades of total international trawling effort in the North Sea” by Elena Couce et al.

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A Supplement PDF file is attached which contains our responses to the comments by the two reviewers. In the file we reproduce the reviewer comments in black, followed by the authors' response in blue, with the changes in the manuscript indicated in each case. At the end of the file there is also a section titled "Note from the authors" in which we discuss an additional issue that has come to our attention regarding one of the datasets used in the study, and the steps we have taken to address it.

Additionally we also attach two new figures that have been added to the manuscript

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showing the relative error of the reconstructed otter and beam trawling pressure data.

Please also note the supplement to this comment:

<https://www.earth-syst-sci-data-discuss.net/essd-2019-90/essd-2019-90-AC1-supplement.pdf>

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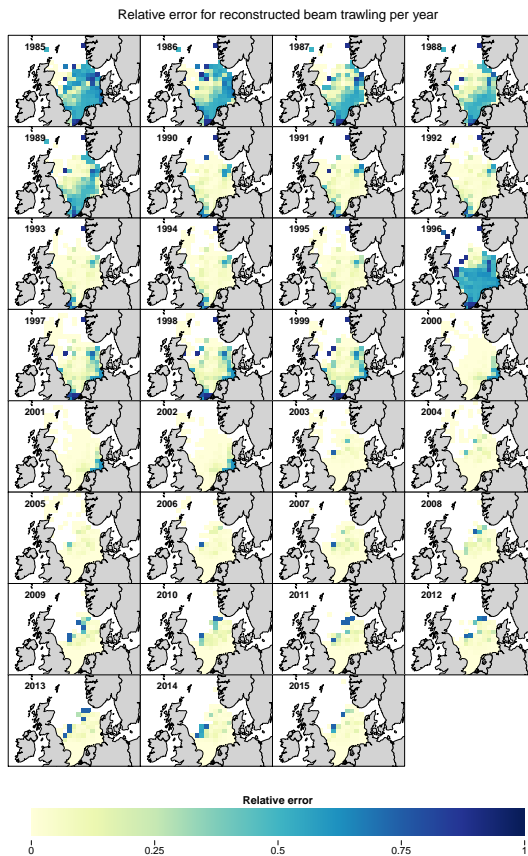


Fig. 1.

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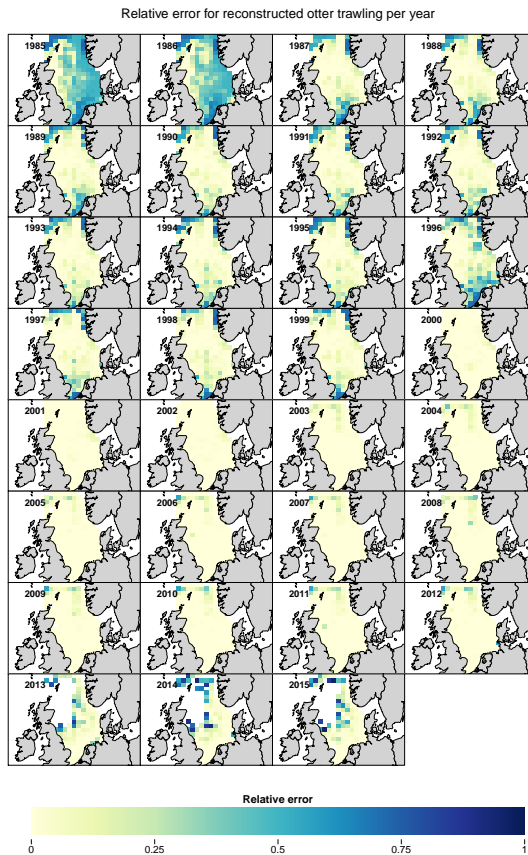


Fig. 2.

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