

# Parameterizing Spatial Weight Matrices in Spatial Econometric Models

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## A Online Appendix: Supplemental Material

### A.1 Row and scalar normalization of distance decay matrices

For  $i \neq j$ , the  $ij$ th element of the negative exponential matrix in non-normalized or raw ( $r$ ) form is given by  $w_{ij}(\alpha_k)^r = e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k}$  and the  $ij$ th element of the inverse distance matrix by  $w_{ij}(\alpha_k)^r = 1/d_{ij}^{\alpha_k}$ , where  $d_{ij}$  denotes the generalized distance between units  $i$  and  $j$  and  $\alpha_k$  the distance decay parameter of the  $k$ th spatial lag.  $\mathbf{W}^r$  is the corresponding  $N \times N$  spatial weight matrix in raw form. Its diagonal elements are assumed to be zero to prevent units from predicting themselves.

For the purpose of identifying the parameters of the spatial lags  $(\rho, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_K)$ , the spatial weight matrices need to be normalized. We consider two frequently used normalizations: normalization by rows and scalar normalization by the largest eigenvalue. Row normalization is generally applied for the two following reasons. It facilitates the interpretation of operations with the weight matrix as an averaging of neighboring values (Anselin and Bera 1998), and the spatial autoregressive parameter  $\rho$  takes values in the parameter space  $(1/\lambda_{min}, 1)$ , where  $\lambda_{min}$  is the smallest negative eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{W}$  (Ord 1981). However, row normalization has also been criticized. Kelejian and Prucha (2010) and Neymayer and Plümer (2016) demonstrate that normalization of the elements of the spatial weight matrix by a different factor for each row as opposed to a single factor is not neutral as it imposes the restriction that if one unit has fewer ties to other units than another unit, then each tie is assumed to be more important. This especially concerns distance decay matrices (Anselin 1988, pp. 23-24), because it changes the relative relevance of senders across recipients. Therefore, Kelejian and Prucha (2010) propose a normalization procedure where each element of  $\mathbf{W}^r$  is divided by its largest eigenvalue  $\lambda_{max}^r$ , to get  $\mathbf{W} = (1/\lambda_{max}^r)\mathbf{W}^r$ . When applying this normalization,  $\rho$  again takes values in the parameter space  $(1/\lambda_{min}, 1)$ , although the value of the smallest negative eigenvalue of this matrix is different. Since some rows will sum up to values greater than one and other to values smaller than one, a scalar normalized weight matrix can no longer be interpreted as an averaging of neighboring values. In empirical work both types of normalizations are applied. Since there is no unifying consensus in the literature in favor of one of these normalizations, we also consider

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scalar normalized (by its largest eigenvalue) forms of the negative exponential and inverse distance matrices.

To generalize the mathematical expressions in the subsequent sections of this appendix, i.e., to avoid that they all need to be repeated for both types of spatial weight matrices and both types of normalizations, we first introduce the symbol  $\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k}$  representing the first order derivative of the row or scalar normalized spatial weight matrix with respect to  $\alpha_k$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)}{\partial \alpha_k}$ . We have  $w_{ij}^r(\alpha_k) = e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k}$  and  $w_{ij}(\alpha_k) = \frac{e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k}}{\sum_j e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k}}$  for the negative exponential decay matrix before and after row normalization, respectively. Similarly, we have  $w_{ij}^r(\alpha_k) = d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k}$  and  $w_{ij}(\alpha_k) = \frac{d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k}}{\sum_j d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k}}$  for the inverse distance decay matrix before and after row normalization, respectively.

Under row normalization, the elements of the matrix of first order derivatives for the negative exponential and inverse distance matrix are

$$z_{ij}(\alpha_k) = \frac{(\sum_j d_{ij} e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k}) e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k} - (\sum_j e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k}) d_{ij} e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k}}{(\sum_j e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k})^2}, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

$$z_{ij}(\alpha_k) = \frac{(\sum_j \ln(d_{ij}) d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k}) d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k} - (\sum_j d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k}) \ln(d_{ij}) d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k}}{(\sum_j d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k})^2}, \quad (\text{A.2})$$

respectively.

If the matrices are scalar normalized by the largest eigenvalue, we respectively have  $w_{ij} = e^{-d_{ij}\alpha_k} / \lambda_{max}^r(\alpha_k)$  and  $w_{ij} = d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k} / \lambda_{max}^r(\alpha_k)$ . In this case, the matrix  $\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k}$  of first order derivatives is easier expressed in full form.

Since  $\mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)$  is real and symmetric, it has distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_i^r$  and eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}_i^r$  ( $i = 1, \dots, N$ ) with properties  $\mathbf{v}_i^{r'} \mathbf{v}_i^r = 1$  and  $\partial \lambda_i = \mathbf{v}_i^{r'} \partial \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k) \mathbf{v}_i$  (Magnus 1985, equation 4). Using these properties for the largest eigenvalue and corresponding eigenvector of  $\mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)$ , the matrix of first order derivatives for the negative exponential and inverse distance decay matrices are

$$\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k} = \frac{\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{\partial \alpha_k} \lambda_{max}^r(\alpha_k) - \mathbf{v}^{r'}(\alpha_k) \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{\partial \alpha_k} \mathbf{v}(\alpha_k) \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{[\lambda_{max}^r(\alpha_k)]^2}, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k} = \frac{\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{\partial \alpha_k} \lambda_{max}^r(\alpha_k) - \mathbf{v}^{r'}(\alpha_k) \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{\partial \alpha_k} \mathbf{v}^r(\alpha_k) \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{[\lambda_{max}^r(\alpha_k)]^2}, \quad (\text{A.4})$$

respectively, where the typical element of  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{\partial \alpha_k} = -d_{ij} e^{-\alpha_k d_{ij}}$  for the negative exponential and  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_k)}{\partial \alpha_k} = -\ln(d_{ij}) d_{ij}^{-\alpha_k}$  for the inverse distance decay matrix.

## A.2 Estimation

Generally, individual fixed effects are concentrated out by demeaning the variables by their individual-specific means.<sup>2</sup> The dependent variable of this demeaned model reads as  $y_{it}^* = y_{it} - \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T y_{it}$ . Similar transformations are applied to right-hand side elements of the regression equation. The demeaned model for time period  $t$  is

$$y_{it}^* = \rho \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}(\alpha_0) y_{jt}^* + \sum_{k=1}^K x_{kit}^* \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}(\alpha_k) x_{kjt}^* \gamma_k + \xi_t^* + \varepsilon_{it}^*. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Although this transformation does eliminate  $c_i$ , it induces linear dependence of the transformed errors  $\varepsilon_{it}^*$  over time. Consequently  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  will be biased when  $T$  is small or fixed. To get an unbiased estimate, Arellano (2003, p.24) and Lee and Yu (2010) propose the following bias-correction (bc)  $\hat{\sigma}_{bc}^2 = \frac{T}{T-1} \hat{\sigma}^2$ . This correction can easily be carried out after the parameters of the model have been estimated.

When stacking the individual observations in each time period  $t$ , the demeaned SD model of equation (A.5) can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{y}_t^* = \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}_t^* + \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{x}_{kt}^* \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \mathbf{x}_{kt}^* \gamma_k + \boldsymbol{\xi}_t^* \boldsymbol{\iota}_N + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t^*, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, \quad (\text{A.6})$$

where  $\mathbf{y}_t^*$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_{kt}^*$ , and  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t^*$  are  $N \times 1$  vectors, and  $\boldsymbol{\iota}_N$  is an  $N \times 1$  vector of ones. When also stacking the data over time, the model reads as

$$\mathbf{y}^* = \rho (\mathbf{I}_T \otimes \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)) \mathbf{y}^* + \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*, \quad (\text{A.7})$$

where  $\mathbf{y}^*$  is a  $NT \times 1$  vector containing observations of the dependent variable first sorted by time and then by spatial unit.  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*$  is defined analogously. The  $NT \times (2K + T - 1)$  matrix  $\mathbf{X}^*$  is the corresponding sorted matrix of all explanatory variables, their spatial lags and dummy variables for time periods, and is given by

$$\mathbf{X}^* = [\mathbf{x}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{x}_K^*, (\mathbf{I}_T \otimes \mathbf{W}(\alpha_1)) \mathbf{x}_1^*, \dots, (\mathbf{I}_T \otimes \mathbf{W}(\alpha_K)) \mathbf{x}_K^*, (\boldsymbol{\ell}_1, \boldsymbol{\ell}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{\ell}_{T-1}) \otimes \boldsymbol{\iota}_N], \quad (\text{A.8})$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\ell}_j$  are  $T \times 1$  unit vectors, which contain zeros except for the  $j$ th element which contains a one. The corresponding parameters are summarized in the  $(2K + T - 1) \times 1$  vector  $\boldsymbol{\zeta} = (\boldsymbol{\beta}', \boldsymbol{\gamma}', \boldsymbol{\xi}^*)'$ . The remaining parameters to be estimated are the spatial autoregressive parameter  $\rho$ , the distance decay parameters for all spatial lags  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_K)'$  and  $\sigma^2$ .

Lee and Yu (2010) set out the assumptions under which the ML estimator of the model parameters in equation (1) are identified, consistent, and asymptotically normal, both when

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<sup>2</sup>This is because these fixed effects are not of interest (or not reported), cannot be estimated consistently when  $T$  is small, and might affect the accuracy of parameter estimates when taking them up as part of the regressors if  $N$  grows large.

assuming that the error terms are normally distributed or not, and provided that the  $\mathbf{W}$  matrices are nonstochastic, i.e., not parameterized. The regular rate of convergence is  $\sqrt{N}$ , provided that  $T$  is small or fixed. In Appendix A.6 we discuss all assumptions, as well as those that need to be adapted, such that the proof by Lee and Yu (2010) carries over to the model in this study.

Defining the full set of parameters as  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\zeta}', \rho, \sigma^2, \boldsymbol{\alpha}')'$ , the log-likelihood function of the model is given by

$$\log L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\frac{NT}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) + T \log |\mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)| - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*'} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*, \quad (\text{A.9})$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* = \mathbf{y}^* - \rho(\mathbf{I}_T \otimes \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)) \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta}. \quad (\text{A.10})$$

The ML estimator can be obtained by maximizing the log-likelihood function with respect to  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ .<sup>3</sup> The parameter vector  $\boldsymbol{\zeta}$  and the scalar  $\sigma^2$  can be solved analytically from their first order conditions, given  $\rho$  and  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_K)'$ , which yields

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}(\rho, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = (\mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{X}^*)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\mathbf{S}} \mathbf{y}^*, \quad (\text{A.11})$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2(\rho, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{NT} (\tilde{\mathbf{S}} \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}})' (\tilde{\mathbf{S}} \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}), \quad (\text{A.12})$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{I}_T \otimes \mathbf{S}$  with  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$ . By substituting these solutions for  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  into equation (A.9), the concentrated log-likelihood function with respect to the  $K + 2$  remaining parameters  $\rho$  and  $\hat{\alpha}_k$  ( $k = 0, \dots, K$ ) is obtained. Given the solution of this maximization problem for  $\hat{\rho}$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}$ , we can subsequently determine the unconditional ML estimates of  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ , as well as the bias-corrected outcome  $\hat{\sigma}_{bc}^2 = \frac{T}{T-1} \hat{\sigma}^2$ .

To find  $\hat{\rho}$  and  $\hat{\alpha}_k$  ( $k = 0, \dots, K$ ), we maximize the concentrated log-likelihood function of  $\rho$  and  $\alpha_k$  ( $k = 0, \dots, K$ ), which is

$$\log L(\rho, \boldsymbol{\alpha} | \hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}, \hat{\sigma}^2) = -\frac{NT}{2} \log(2\pi \hat{\sigma}^2) + T \log |\mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)| - \frac{NT}{2}, \quad (\text{A.13})$$

where  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  is programmed as in (A.12), and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}$  as part of this expression is programmed as in (A.11). This has the effect that if one or more values of  $\rho$  and  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$  change, the estimates for  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}(\rho, \boldsymbol{\alpha})$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2(\rho, \boldsymbol{\alpha})$  change accordingly.

One final issue is the estimation of  $\rho$  and  $\alpha_0$  if  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$  is not row but scalar normalized. The problem is that  $\rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) = \rho \mathbf{W}^r(\alpha_0) / \lambda_{max}^r$  is equivalent with  $\rho^* \mathbf{W}^*(\alpha_0)$ , where  $\rho^* = c\rho$  and  $\mathbf{W}^*(\alpha_0) = \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)/c$  and  $c$  denotes any scalar factor (Kelejian and Prucha 2010, p.55).

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<sup>3</sup>Mathematical expressions for the first and second order conditions and the information matrix, which will be used to determine the variance-covariance matrix of the parameters, are reported in Appendix A.3, A.4 and A.5, respectively.

We apply the following approach. First,  $\rho$  is estimated setting  $\alpha_0 = 1$  (the default value) and  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$  is scalar normalized, which yields  $\rho = \rho_{initial}$ . This  $\rho_{initial}$  is then kept fixed when maximizing the concentrated log-likelihood function for  $\alpha_0$  and the other  $\alpha_k$  ( $k = 1, \dots, K$ ). During this iterative process  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$  is scalar normalized every time  $\alpha_0$  changes. Only after the optimal values for  $\alpha_k$  ( $k = 0, \dots, K$ ) are found, among which  $\hat{\alpha}_{0ML}$ ,  $\rho$  is estimated again to get  $\rho = \hat{\rho}_{ML}$ .

We developed an estimation routine both in Matlab and R, which enables estimating the proposed model for different normalizations and distance decay functions. A description of the routine can be found in the Appendix A.7.

The best option to find the global optimum of the decay parameters is to scale distance such that the exponential distance decay parameters of each spatial lag take values around 1 within the interval (0,10]. This interval is used to set the lower and the upper bounds in the maximization process and based on the properties that the spatial matrix converges to a sparse or dense matrix if  $\alpha_k$  goes to infinity or zero, respectively. Although it does not matter which metric is used to measure distance, since the exponential distance decay parameters change accordingly, this scaling speeds up the maximization process and avoids non-convergence. This property does not apply to the inverse distance matrix because distance is taken to a power (Neumayer and Plümer 2016, p.184). However, the metric used to scale the exponential distance parameters also tends to work well for the inverse distance parameters.

### A.3 First-order derivatives of the parameters

Without loss of generality, the presentation with respect to the distance decay parameters is limited to  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ . This also implies that only two explanatory variables are considered ( $K = 2$ ). For the same reason, time dummies are left aside. The first-order derivatives are

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\zeta}} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{X}^{*'} [\mathbf{y}^* - \rho(\mathbf{I}_T \otimes \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)) \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta}], \quad (\text{A.14})$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho} = -\text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} [(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*'} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*], \quad (\text{A.15})$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{NT}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*'} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{2\sigma^4}, \quad (\text{A.16})$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0} = -\rho \text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}) + \frac{\rho}{\sigma^2} [(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*'} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*], \quad (\text{A.17})$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*'} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_1 \gamma_1}{\sigma^2} = \frac{(\mathbf{y}^* - \rho \tilde{\mathbf{W}}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_1 \gamma_1}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.18})$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_2} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*'} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_2 \gamma_2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{(\mathbf{y}^* - \rho \tilde{\mathbf{W}}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_2 \gamma_2}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.19})$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* = \mathbf{y}^* - \rho \tilde{\mathbf{W}}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta}$ . To shorten notation, we further use  $\boldsymbol{\Pi} = \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{S}^{-1}$  and

$\Delta = \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{S}^{-1}$ . A matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  with a tilde is obtained by  $\tilde{\mathbf{M}} = \mathbf{I}_T \otimes \mathbf{M}$  for  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{\Pi}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k}, \Delta$ .

#### A.4 Second-order derivatives of the parameters

In line with  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\zeta}', \rho, \sigma^2, \boldsymbol{\alpha}')'$ , the Hessian matrix can be partitioned into a block-matrix consisting of six rows and column groups with respect to  $\boldsymbol{\zeta}', \rho, \sigma^2, \alpha_0, \alpha_1$ , and  $\alpha_2$ . Since the Hessian matrix is symmetric, we provide the expressions for the diagonal and upper-diagonal blocks of this matrix only.

The submatrices in the first row group of the Hessian matrix are

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\zeta} \partial \boldsymbol{\zeta}'} = -\frac{\mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{X}^*}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.20})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\zeta} \partial \rho} = -\frac{\mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\mathbf{W}}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}^*}{\sigma^2} = -\frac{\mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.21})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\zeta} \partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{\mathbf{X}^{*'} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^4}, \quad (\text{A.22})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\zeta} \partial \alpha_0} = -\frac{\rho \mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{Y}^*}{\sigma^2} = -\frac{\rho \mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \rho \mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.23})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\zeta} \partial \alpha_1} = \frac{(\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1})' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* - \mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.24})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\zeta} \partial \alpha_2} = \frac{(\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2})' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* - \mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2}{\sigma^2}. \quad (\text{A.25})$$

The submatrices in the second row group are

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho^2} = -\text{tr}(\tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}}) - \frac{(\mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}}' \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} (\mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.26})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{W}}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}^*)' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^4} = -\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*'} \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^4}, \quad (\text{A.27})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \alpha_0} = -\text{tr}(\tilde{\Delta}) - \rho \text{tr}(\tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \tilde{\Delta}) + \frac{(\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* - \rho (\tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' (\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.28})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \alpha_1} = -\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{W}}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{Y}^*)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1}{\sigma^2} = -\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.29})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \alpha_2} = -\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{W}}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}^*)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2}{\sigma^2} = -\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\mathbf{\Pi}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2}{\sigma^2}. \quad (\text{A.30})$$

The submatrices in the third row group are

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial(\sigma^2)^2} = \frac{NT}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*\prime} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^6}, \quad (\text{A.31})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \alpha_0} = \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{\rho(\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{y}^*)' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^4} = -\frac{\rho(\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*}{\sigma^4}, \quad (\text{A.32})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \alpha_1} = \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*\prime} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_1 \gamma_1}{\sigma^4}, \quad (\text{A.33})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \alpha_2} = \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_2 \partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*\prime} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_2 \gamma_2}{\sigma^4}. \quad (\text{A.34})$$

The submatrices in the fourth row group are

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0^2} = -\rho \text{tr}(\tilde{\Lambda}) - \rho^2 \text{tr}(\tilde{\Delta} \tilde{\Delta}) + \frac{\rho(\tilde{\Lambda} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Lambda} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^* - \rho^2(\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)'(\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.35})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} = -\frac{\rho(\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{Y}^*)' \mathbf{V}_1 \boldsymbol{\zeta}}{\sigma^2} = -\frac{\rho(\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_1 \gamma_1}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.36})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_2} = -\frac{\rho(\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{Y}^*)' \mathbf{V}_2 \boldsymbol{\zeta}}{\sigma^2} = -\frac{\rho(\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \tilde{\Delta} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_2 \gamma_2}{\sigma^2}. \quad (\text{A.37})$$

The submatrices in the fifth row group are

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1^2} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*\prime} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{W}^{(\alpha_1)}}{\partial \alpha_1^2} x_1^* \gamma_1 - (\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_1 \gamma_1)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_1 \gamma_1}{\sigma^2}, \quad (\text{A.38})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_2} = -\frac{(\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_2 \gamma_2)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_1 \gamma_1}{\sigma^2}. \quad (\text{A.39})$$

Finally, the submatrix in the sixth row group is

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_2^2} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{*\prime} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{W}^{(\alpha_2)}}{\partial \alpha_2^2} x_2^* \gamma_2 - (\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_2 \gamma_2)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_2 \gamma_2}{\sigma^2}. \quad (\text{A.40})$$

## A.5 Information matrix

The submatrices in the first row group of the information matrix  $\Sigma_{\theta}$  are

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \zeta \partial \zeta'} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{X}^*, \quad (\text{A.41})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \zeta \partial \rho} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \zeta, \quad (\text{A.42})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \zeta \partial \sigma^2} \right] = \mathbf{0}, \quad (\text{A.43})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \zeta \partial \alpha_0} \right] = \frac{\rho}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}} \mathbf{X}^* \zeta, \quad (\text{A.44})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \zeta \partial \alpha_1} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1, \quad (\text{A.45})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \zeta \partial \alpha_2} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2. \quad (\text{A.46})$$

The submatrices in the second row group of  $\Sigma_{\theta}$  are

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho^2} \right] = \text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{X}^* \zeta)' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \mathbf{X}^* \zeta + \text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}), \quad (\text{A.47})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \sigma^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}), \quad (\text{A.48})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \alpha_0} \right] = \rho \text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}) + \frac{\rho}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{X}^* \zeta)' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}} \mathbf{X}^* \zeta + \rho \text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}), \quad (\text{A.49})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \alpha_1} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{X}^* \zeta)' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1, \quad (\text{A.50})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \rho \partial \alpha_2} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{X}^* \zeta)' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2. \quad (\text{A.51})$$

The submatrices in the third row group of  $\Sigma_{\theta}$  are

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial (\sigma^2)^2} \right] = \frac{NT}{2\sigma^4}, \quad (\text{A.52})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \alpha_0} \right] = \frac{\rho}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}), \quad (\text{A.53})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \alpha_1} \right] = \mathbf{0}, \quad (\text{A.54})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \alpha_2} \right] = \mathbf{0}. \quad (\text{A.55})$$



The submatrices in the fourth row group of  $\Sigma_{\theta}$  are

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0^2} \right] = \rho^2 \text{tr}(\tilde{\Delta} \tilde{\Delta}) + \frac{\rho^2}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \tilde{\Delta}' \tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \rho^2 \text{tr}(\tilde{\Delta}' \tilde{\Delta}), \quad (\text{A.56})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} \right] = \frac{\rho}{\sigma^2} (\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1, \quad (\text{A.57})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_2} \right] = \frac{\rho}{\sigma^2} (\tilde{\Delta} \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\zeta})' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2. \quad (\text{A.58})$$

The submatrices in the fifth row group of  $\Sigma_{\theta}$  are

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1, \quad (\text{A.59})$$

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \alpha_2} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 1} \gamma_1. \quad (\text{A.60})$$

Finally, the submatrix in the sixth row group is

$$-\underline{E} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_2^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2)' \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{x}^*_{\cdot 2} \gamma_2. \quad (\text{A.61})$$

## A.6 Asymptotic normality

Assumptions similar to Lee and Yu (2010) under which the ML estimator of the model parameters in equation (1) are identified, consistent, and asymptotically normal, both when assuming that the error terms are normally distributed or not, are labeled by **(LY)** and those that are different to considering spatial weight matrices that are parameterized by **(PW)**.

**Assumption 1 (LY)** *The idiosyncratic errors  $\varepsilon_{it}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$  and  $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$  are normally distributed or are iid across  $i$  and  $t$  with mean zero, variance  $\sigma^2$  and finite fourth moment.*

**Assumption 2 (PW)** *The matrices  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)$  ( $k = 0, 1, \dots, K$ ) are stochastic but exogenous with diagonal elements equal to zero. Before normalization, the row and column sums of the spatial weight matrix  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)$  ( $k = 0, 1, \dots, K$ ) are uniformly bounded or, alternatively, diverge to infinity at a rate slower than  $N$ .*

**Assumption 3 (LY)**  *$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$  is invertible and uniformly bounded in row and column sums in absolute value.  $\rho$  is in the interior of  $\Re$ , where  $\Re$  is an open but bounded interval. (PW)  $\rho$  is bounded away from zero.*

**Assumption 4 (PW)**  *$\gamma_k$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$  is bounded away from zero.*

**Assumption 5 (PW)** *For all  $k$   $\rho \beta_k \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) + \gamma_k \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \neq \mathbf{0}_N$ .*

**Assumption 6 (LY)** *The regressors  $x_k$  are nonstochastic and bounded uniformly. There is no multicollinearity among the regressors and their spatially lagged counterparts.*

If the error terms are assumed to be normally distributed, the parameters can be estimated by ML. If they are not truly normally distributed, they can be estimated by quasi (Q)ML based on the properties specified in Assumption 1. Assumption 2 allows for weak divergence of the spatial weight matrix. In the case of a non-stochastic  $\mathbf{W}$ ,  $\mathbf{W}$  is assumed to be uniformly bounded in both row and column sums in absolute value (Lee and Yu 2010; Kelejian and Prucha 2010). We are dealing with spatial weight matrices that depend on distance decay parameters  $\alpha_k$  ( $k = 0, 1, \dots, K$ ), which makes the spatial weight matrices stochastic in the sense that they are subject to uncertainty and consequently with a margin of error. Gupta (2019) shows that many established estimation methods also work with an exogenous stochastic spatial weight matrix.<sup>4</sup> However, the fact that the spatial weight matrix is stochastic, needs to be formalized in the weak divergence assumption, which requires that the row and column sums of the stochastic spatial weight matrix may diverge to infinity as long as the sample size  $N$  diverges to infinity faster. This is in line with Assumption 2 in Gupta (2019). Assumption 2 can be fulfilled when the spatial weight matrix has a distance decay functional form. For a negative exponential distance decay matrix the condition of uniformly boundedness corresponds to a distance decay parameter of  $\alpha_k > 0$ , and for an inverse distance matrix to  $\alpha_k > 1$  (Elhorst et al. 2021).<sup>5</sup> Lee (2004) shows that the row and column sums of the spatial weight matrix in a cross-sectional setting may also diverge to infinity as long as the sample size  $N$  diverges to infinity faster.<sup>6</sup> For this reason, we also consider and experiment with an inverse distance matrix using a lower bound in the interval  $(0, 1]$  in Appendix A.9.

Assumption 3 is a modification of Assumption 3 in Lee and Yu (2010). The invertibility of  $\mathbf{S}$  guarantees that equation (A.63) below is valid. For  $\rho$  we use the interval  $(-1, +1)$ , with the exception of  $\rho = 0$ . If  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$  is scalar or row normalized the upper bound is 1 by construction. The lower bound might be smaller than  $-1$  when scalar normalization is applied, but negative

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<sup>4</sup>There are also studies that allow for endogenous spatial weight matrices (Qu and Lee 2015; Qu et al. 2016). Endogeneity can arise due to feedback effects, e.g. if the spatial weight matrix is based on economic variables, which also depend on the dependent variable. However, if the spatial weight matrix depends on geographic distance between countries, counties or cities, such feedback effects do not occur, since distance is exogenous. This property does not change when distance is parameterized.

<sup>5</sup>When  $\mathbf{W}$  is a parameterized negative exponential distance matrix, the corresponding row or column sum of this series in a continuous space (to ease calculations) can be calculated as the integral  $\int_1^N e^{-\alpha x} dx = (1/\alpha)e^{-\alpha}(1 - e^{-N})$ . The row or column sums represented by this integral are upper bounded for  $\alpha > 0$  if  $N$  goes to infinity. Similarly, the integral  $\int_1^N \frac{1}{x^\alpha} dx = 1/(1 - \alpha)(N^{1-\alpha} - 1)$  is upper bounded for  $\alpha > 1$  if  $N$  goes to infinity.

<sup>6</sup>Although not part of the formal proof in Lee and Yu (2010), they state that this result also carries over to a panel data setting. This point occurs at  $1/(1 - \alpha)(N^{1-\alpha} - 1)/N = 1/(1 - \alpha)(1/N^\alpha - 1/N)$ , which converges to zero and thus is upper bounded for  $\alpha > 0$  if  $N$  goes to infinity.

values for  $\rho$  in models with only one spatial lag in the dependent variable are considerably less common than positive ones, let alone negative values smaller than  $-1$  (Elhorst 2014, Section 2.5). Therefore, imposing this lower bound is hardly restrictive.  $\rho$  should be bounded away from zero. If  $\rho$  equals zero, then the distance decay parameter  $\alpha_0$  is not identified. This follows from the information matrix of the parameters derived in Appendix A.5.<sup>7</sup> The same non-identification problem occurs for  $\alpha_k$  if  $\gamma_k = 0$  ( $k = 1, \dots, K$ ), which is excluded in Assumption 4.

Assumption 5 states further identification assumptions. The first part is different and less restrictive than the condition  $\rho\beta_k + \gamma_k \neq 0$  for all  $k$  in Bramoullé et al. (2009, Proposition 1) and Lee and Yu (2016, Lemmas 2 and 3). This is due to the fact that we have not one common but different weight matrices for each spatial lag.

Model (1) can be rewritten in matrix notation. If we stack the individual observations for each time period  $t$ , the model reads as

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}_t + \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{x}_{kt} \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \mathbf{x}_{kt} \gamma_k + \mathbf{c} + \xi_t \boldsymbol{\iota}_N + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, \quad (\text{A.62})$$

where  $\mathbf{y}_t$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_{kt}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t$  are  $N \times 1$  vectors, and  $\boldsymbol{\iota}_N$  is an  $N \times 1$  vector of ones.  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$  and  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)$  are  $N \times N$  matrices describing the connectivity of all  $N$  cross-sectional units in the sample. The corresponding reduced form of equation (A.62) reads as

$$\mathbf{y}_t = (\mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0))^{-1} \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{x}_{kt} \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \mathbf{x}_{kt} \gamma_k + \mathbf{c} + \xi_t \boldsymbol{\iota}_N + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t \right), \quad t = 1, \dots, T. \quad (\text{A.63})$$

Rewriting the reduced form in equation (A.63) using the fact that  $(\mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0))^{-1} = \mathbf{I}_N + \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) + \rho^2 \mathbf{W}^2(\alpha_0) + \dots$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}_t &= (\mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0))^{-1} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^K (\mathbf{x}_{kt} \beta_k + \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \mathbf{x}_{kt} \gamma_k) + \mathbf{c} + \xi_t \boldsymbol{\iota}_N + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \left[ \mathbf{x}_{kt} \beta_k + [\rho \beta_k \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) + \gamma_k \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)] [\mathbf{I}_N + \sum_{g=2}^{\infty} \rho^{g-1} \mathbf{W}^{g-1}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{x}_{kt}] \right] \\ &\quad + (\mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0))^{-1} [\mathbf{c} + \xi_t \boldsymbol{\iota}_N + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.64})$$

This expression shows that the spatial lags  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}_t$  and  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \mathbf{x}_{kt}$  ( $k = 1, \dots, K$ ) cancel each other out if  $\rho\beta_k + \gamma_k = 0$  for all  $k$  and  $\alpha_0 = \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_K$ . Under these restrictions, the SD model reduces to the spatial error model (SEM) (Burrridge 1981; Juhl 2021), as a result of which the coefficients of the spatial lags  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{y}_t$  and  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \mathbf{x}_{kt}$  ( $k = 1, \dots, K$ ) are not identified.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>7</sup>If  $\rho$  equals zero, then the elements in the information matrix that are based on second order derivatives involving  $\alpha_0$  equal zero (see equations A.44, A.49, A.53, A.56, A.57, A.58). Consequently one row and column contains zeros only. Thus the information matrix is not invertible and the variance covariance matrix is not defined.

<sup>8</sup>We also validated these findings as part of our Monte Carlo simulation experiment.

However, in empirical work we do not expect the estimates for the decay parameters  $\alpha_k$  to be identical. Thus this assumption is not very restrictive.

As in Lee and Yu (2010), we assume exogenous and uniformly bounded regressors. Given the exogeneity of the explanatory variables and the weak divergence of the corresponding spatial weight matrices, the spatially lagged regressors are also bounded uniformly. Assumption 6 also rules out multicollinearity among the regressors.

Lee and Yu (2010) show in Theorem 2(1) and Lemma A.4 that the asymptotic distribution of the ML estimator is given by

$$\sqrt{NT}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \boldsymbol{\Upsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}). \quad (\text{A.65})$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\Upsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \lim_{\frac{T}{T-1}} (\frac{1}{NT} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}})^{-1} (\frac{1}{NT} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) (\frac{1}{NT} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}})^{-1}$ , and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$  is specified in Appendix A.5. The matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$  reads as

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \frac{(T-1)\mu_4 - 3\sigma^4}{T\sigma^4} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}_{2K \times 2K} & * & * & * & * \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 2K} & \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\boldsymbol{\Pi})_{ii}^2 & * & * & * \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 2K} & \frac{1}{2\sigma^2 N} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}) & \frac{1}{4\sigma^4} & * & * \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times 2K} & \frac{\rho}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\boldsymbol{\Pi})_{ii} (\boldsymbol{\Delta})_{ii} & \frac{\rho}{2\sigma^2 N} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Delta}) & \frac{\rho^2}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\boldsymbol{\Delta})_{ii}^2 & * \\ \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 2K} & \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 1} & \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 1} & \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 1} & \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{A.66})$$

where  $\mu_4$  is the fourth moment of the error term. If the error terms are assumed to be normally distributed, the matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$  cancels out since  $\mu_4 - 3\sigma^4 = 0$  under this circumstance. This yields  $\boldsymbol{\Upsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \lim_{\frac{T}{T-1}} \frac{1}{NT} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{-1}$ .

## A.7 Direct and indirect effects: the delta method

To draw statistical inferences on the direct and indirect effects, expressions for standard errors are needed. Two methods can be used: bootstrapping or the delta method. To save computation time, we use the delta method which is an extension of the method described in Arbia et al. (2020). We depart from  $\sqrt{NT}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \boldsymbol{\Upsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$ , derived in Appendix A.5, but instead of  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Upsilon}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$  or  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ , we consider  $\boldsymbol{\varphi} = (\boldsymbol{\beta}', \boldsymbol{\gamma}', \rho, \boldsymbol{\alpha}')'$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}$ , i.e., after rows and columns for the time dummies and  $\sigma^2$  have been removed since they are not needed to determine the direct and indirect effects. Applying propositions 1 and 2 and remark 2 in Arbia et al. (2020), we get

$$\sqrt{N}[DE_k(\hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}) - DE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})] \xrightarrow{d} N[0, \mathbf{A}_k^{DE}(\boldsymbol{\varphi}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}^{-1} \mathbf{A}_k^{DE}(\boldsymbol{\varphi})'], \quad (\text{A.67})$$

$$\sqrt{N}[IE_k(\hat{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}) - IE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})] \xrightarrow{d} N[0, \mathbf{A}_k^{IE}(\boldsymbol{\varphi}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}^{-1} \mathbf{A}_k^{IE}(\boldsymbol{\varphi})']. \quad (\text{A.68})$$

where  $\mathbf{A}_k^{DE}(\boldsymbol{\varphi}) = \frac{\partial DE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\varphi}}$  and  $\mathbf{A}_k^{IE}(\boldsymbol{\varphi}) = \frac{\partial IE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\varphi}}$ . These first order derivatives for the direct effects take the form

$$\frac{\partial DE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \beta_k} = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}^{-1}), \quad (\text{A.69})$$

$$\frac{\partial DE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \gamma_k} = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)\}, \quad (\text{A.70})$$

$$\frac{\partial DE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \rho} = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{C}\}, \quad (\text{A.71})$$

$$\frac{\partial DE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \alpha_0} = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\rho \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{C}\}, \quad (\text{A.72})$$

$$\frac{\partial DE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \alpha_k} = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k} \gamma_k\}. \quad (\text{A.73})$$

and for the indirect effects take the form

$$\frac{\partial IE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \beta_k} = \frac{1}{N} \boldsymbol{\tau}'_N \mathbf{S}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\tau}_N - \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}^{-1}), \quad (\text{A.74})$$

$$\frac{\partial IE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \gamma_k} = \frac{1}{N} \boldsymbol{\tau}'_N \{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)\} \boldsymbol{\tau}_N - \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)\}, \quad (\text{A.75})$$

$$\frac{\partial IE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \rho} = \frac{1}{N} \boldsymbol{\tau}'_N \{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{C}\} \boldsymbol{\tau}_N - \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0) \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{C}\}, \quad (\text{A.76})$$

$$\frac{\partial IE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \alpha_0} = \frac{1}{N} \boldsymbol{\tau}'_N \{\rho \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{C}\} \boldsymbol{\tau}_N - \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\rho \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_0} \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{C}\}, \quad (\text{A.77})$$

$$\frac{\partial IE_k(\boldsymbol{\varphi})}{\partial \alpha_k} = \frac{1}{N} \boldsymbol{\tau}'_N \{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k} \gamma_k\} \boldsymbol{\tau}_N - \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k} \gamma_k\}. \quad (\text{A.78})$$

where  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{I}_N - \rho \mathbf{W}(\alpha_0)$ , and  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I}_N \cdot \beta_k + \mathbf{W}(\alpha_k) \cdot \gamma_k$ . Contrary to Arbia et al. (2020), our effect estimates contain the terms  $\mathbf{Z}_{\alpha_k}$ , which represent the first order derivative of the spatial weight matrices with respect to  $\alpha_k$ . The mathematical expressions of this derivative for the inverse and negative exponential distance decay matrices and for both normalizations can be found in Appendix A.1.

## A.8 PWFE: A routine for practitioners

To be able to estimate the parameters of the model set out in this paper, we developed a routine in both Matlab and R. The routine entitled PWFE has the following options:

1. Type of spatial weight matrix: negative exponential distance decay matrix (Edist) or inverse distance matrix (Idist).
2. Type of normalization of the spatial weight matrix: row normalization (rsn) or scalar normalization by the largest eigenvalue (men).
3. Type of model: different distance decay parameters for each spatial lag (multi), one common distance decay parameter for all spatial lags (same), and one common distance

decay parameter for all spatial lags in the explanatory variables, but not the dependent variable (one).

4. Method to determine significance levels of the direct and indirect effects: the recommended delta method (del) or the bootstrap method based on LeSage and Pace (2009) (bt).
5.  $\gamma_0$ , lb and ub are respectively the starting values, the lower bounds and the upper bounds on  $\rho$  and the distance decay parameters when using row normalization, and on the distance decay parameters when using scalar normalization by the largest eigenvalue.

## A.9 Additional simulation designs and results

The main text only reports simulation results regarding the Bias, RMSE, Mbias and Mabis of each parameter estimate, direct and indirect effect for the row normalized negative exponential distance decay matrix in the base run (Case I):  $\beta_1 = -1, \beta_2 = 0.2, \gamma_1 = 1.5, \gamma_2 = -0.3, \rho = 0.5, \sigma^2 = 1, \alpha_0 = 2, \alpha_1 = 1.5, \alpha_2 = 3$ . This appendix contains additional simulation results.

It first reports the mean and standard deviations of the p-values of these estimates in Table A.1 for the row normalized negative exponential distance decay matrix in the base run (Case I). If the underlying asymptotic distribution is true, then under the null the p-values should follow a  $U(0, 1)$  distribution, and thus should have a mean p-value of 0.5 and a standard deviation of approximately 0.29.

Table 1 in the main text and Table A1 in this appendix are followed with similar Tables A.2 and A.3 for the scalar normalized negative exponential distance decay matrix. Since we used rectangles of  $10 \times 20$  for  $N = 200$  and  $20 \times 40$  for  $N = 800$ , the row and scalar normalized matrices are different by construction. Further note that similar values of  $\rho$  and the  $\gamma$ s in a row normalized and scalar normalized matrix do not have the same interpretation, as explained in Section 3.3. Next, Tables A.4 to A.6 report similar simulation results for both the row and scalar normalized inverse distance matrix.

Tables A.1 and A.3 show that when using different parameterized distance decay matrices for all spatial lags, denoted by PWFE, average p-values and their standard deviation closely fluctuate around 0.5 and 0.29, respectively. Only for the coefficient  $\rho$  differences are slightly higher when scalar rather than row normalization is used. For the negative exponential matrix mean and standard deviation are 0.65 and 0.23, and for the inverse distance matrix (see Table A.6) they are 0.69 and of 0.21, respectively. However, this has no adverse effect on the p-values of the direct and indirect effects derived from  $\rho$  and other coefficients. It was found in the main text that especially the indirect effects are sensitive to an incorrect choice of the spatial weight matrix. The biases reported in Table 1 when using one common spatial weight matrix for all spatial lags, denoted by WFE, are also reflected in the p-values in Tables A.1, A.3 and

A.6. Except for the direct effect estimates, the p-values of indirect effects and the parameter estimates are far off the desired values.

In addition to the base run in Case I, we also ran several simulations to investigate the parameter spaces of the spatial autoregressive parameter and the distance decay parameters in greater detail. Specifically, we modified  $\rho$ ,  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$ , and  $\alpha_2$ . This yields seven additional parameter configurations, summarized in Table A.7. The corresponding simulation results are reported in Tables B.1-B.18.

Changing the  $\rho$  parameter from rather strong (0.5 in Case I) to mild spatial dependence (Case II,  $\rho = 0.25$ ), or even to a negative value (Case III,  $\rho = -0.25$ ), does not affect the pattern of results. By contrast, it does change when setting  $\rho = 0.01$  (Case IV), which simulates the case where a spatial lag hardly matters and its decay parameter is difficult to identify. This is confirmed in the Monte Carlo simulation results: bias and RMSE of  $\alpha_0$  increase substantially and to unacceptable levels. In case of the negative exponential matrix, the bias in  $\rho$  remains more or less the same, while in case of the inverse distance matrix, both the bias and the RMSE of this parameter increase more. Importantly, this appears to have no effect on the bias and RMSE of the direct and indirect effects. This is reassuring news for practitioners mainly interested in direct and indirect effects estimates of the explanatory variables.

In the next two experiments, we investigate the consequences when the distance decay parameter is close to its lower bound, which is 0 for the negative exponential and 1 for the inverse distance matrix. We consider  $\alpha_2 = 1$  (Case V) and  $\alpha_2 = 0.5$  (Case VI). At  $\alpha_2 = 0.5$  the bias reduction becomes smaller. On the other hand, the median bias always remains close to zero. For the inverse distance matrix we see no improvement, but a deterioration, although the median bias remains close to zero, especially for the larger value of  $N = 800$ . This implies that the distance decay parameter of a negative exponential distance decay matrix can be estimated with greater accuracy than that of an inverse distance matrix. This is because of the property that  $\mathbf{W}(\alpha_k)$  of the negative exponential matrix is uniformly bounded in both row and column sums in absolute value for  $\alpha_k > 0$ , whereas this is not the case for the inverse distance matrix. Then this property only holds if  $\alpha_k > 1$ . This implies that values of  $\alpha_k < 1$  need to be handled with care when employing inverse distance matrices.

In Table C.1 we report additional estimation results of our empirical analysis on military expenditures. Instead of one common binary contiguity matrix for all spatial lags in the SD model (as in YE), we use one common row and scalar normalized parameterized negative exponential or inverse distance matrix. This is the first step a practitioner can undertake to determine the best performing spatial weight matrix empirically. The estimated distance decay parameters amount to 2.022 and 2.305 for the row and scalar normalized negative exponential and to 2.113 and 0.766 for the row and scalar normalized inverse distance matrices, and are all significant. However, when comparing the performance of the SD model for these matrices

with that of the binary contiguity matrix, measured in terms of the log-likelihood function value (LogL), only one common parameterized spatial weight matrix for all spatial lags means no improvement. Just as for the binary contiguity matrix, no empirical evidence in favor of the SD model is found: at most one spatial lag of the explanatory variables appears to have a coefficient and one indirect effect that is (weakly) significant; and also the Wald tests do not reject.

In Table D.1 and D.2 we report the results of the empirical illustration based on military expenditures obtained by using Matlab (version 2022a) instead of R. The results are almost similar. Only the t-value of the spatially lagged dependent variable is slightly higher.

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Settings			Negative exponential: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.255	0.387	0.006	0.000	0.341				0.501	0.513	0.059	0.002	
			Std	0.286	0.300	0.034	0.004	0.311						0.287	0.282	0.134
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.491	0.497	0.509	0.508	0.491					0.511	0.510	0.486	0.502
			Std	0.290	0.280	0.288	0.281	0.288						0.283	0.282	0.297
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.481	0.494	0.486	0.499	0.461	0.482	0.477	0.504	0.491	0.497	0.477	0.491	
			Std	0.292	0.282	0.293	0.285	0.299	0.288	0.297	0.282	0.290	0.287	0.288	0.290	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.180	0.226	0.000	0.000	0.449				0.523	0.504	0.000	0.000	
			Std	0.246	0.262	0.000	0.000	0.297					0.289	0.280	0.000	0.000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.501	0.483	0.499	0.502	0.511				0.517	0.500	0.480	0.505	
			Std	0.288	0.284	0.286	0.293	0.288					0.294	0.283	0.293	0.294
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.497	0.484	0.498	0.498	0.481	0.463	0.495	0.493	0.500	0.487	0.500	0.495	
			Std	0.291	0.287	0.293	0.295	0.291	0.294	0.297	0.294	0.298	0.285	0.294	0.292	

Table A.1: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters and direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in Table 1

Settings			Exponential: scalar normalized										Direct/indirect effects					
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$		
WFE	5	200	Bias	0.024	-0.006	0.343	-0.188	-0.070	0.072					0.006	0.001	0.502	-0.291	
			RMSE	0.030	0.010	0.360	0.193	0.107	0.091						0.019	0.008	0.559	0.303
			Mbias	0.024	-0.007	0.340	-0.187	-0.067	0.068						0.005	0.001	0.491	-0.286
			Mabias	0.024	0.008	0.340	0.187	0.072	0.069						0.013	0.006	0.491	0.286
TWFE	5	200	Bias	0.001	-0.001	0.000	0.002	-0.008	-0.005					0.000	0.000	-0.001	0.003	
			RMSE	0.018	0.008	0.072	0.020	0.050	0.053					0.019	0.008	0.159	0.039	
			Mbias	0.001	-0.001	0.001	0.003	-0.006	-0.009					0.000	0.000	-0.003	0.005	
			Mabias	0.013	0.005	0.048	0.013	0.034	0.038					0.012	0.005	0.108	0.025	
PWFE	5	200	Bias	0.001	-0.001	0.008	-0.001	-0.012	-0.008	0.083	0.020	0.136		0.000	0.000	0.006	0.000	
			RMSE	0.018	0.008	0.130	0.030	0.055	0.053	0.413	0.203	0.762		0.019	0.008	0.249	0.055	
			Mbias	0.001	-0.001	0.005	0.001	-0.011	-0.011	0.033	0.004	0.007		0.001	0.000	-0.009	0.003	
			Mabias	0.013	0.005	0.090	0.020	0.037	0.038	0.234	0.130	0.402		0.012	0.005	0.174	0.037	
WFE	5	800	Bias	0.015	-0.006	0.376	-0.211	0.004	0.072					0.001	-0.001	0.706	-0.391	
			RMSE	0.018	0.007	0.380	0.212	0.041	0.077					0.010	0.004	0.721	0.394	
			Mbias	0.016	-0.006	0.375	-0.211	0.006	0.070					0.002	-0.001	0.709	-0.391	
			Mabias	0.016	0.006	0.375	0.211	0.029	0.070					0.007	0.003	0.709	0.391	
TWFE	5	800	Bias	0.000	0.000	-0.002	0.001	-0.001	-0.001					0.000	0.000	-0.003	0.001	
			RMSE	0.009	0.004	0.038	0.011	0.025	0.026					0.010	0.004	0.085	0.022	
			Mbias	0.001	0.000	-0.001	0.001	-0.001	-0.003					0.000	0.000	0.001	0.002	
			Mabias	0.006	0.003	0.026	0.007	0.017	0.017					0.007	0.003	0.060	0.014	
PWFE	5	800	Bias	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.001	-0.002	-0.002	0.010	0.004	0.019		0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.001	
			RMSE	0.009	0.004	0.067	0.017	0.027	0.026	0.168	0.096	0.325		0.010	0.004	0.131	0.032	
			Mbias	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	-0.004	-0.010	-0.001	-0.001		0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	
			Mabias	0.006	0.003	0.042	0.011	0.018	0.017	0.112	0.060	0.216		0.007	0.003	0.086	0.021	

Table A.2: Simulation results scalar normalized negative exponential matrix (Case I):  $\rho = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1.5$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 3$

				Negative exponential: scalar normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.305	0.413	0.019	0.001	0.359				0.503	0.511	0.095	0.005	
			Std	0.302	0.301	0.072	0.006	0.311						0.290	0.283	0.176
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.489	0.496	0.505	0.511	0.494					0.509	0.507	0.472	0.501
			Std	0.287	0.282	0.293	0.287	0.293						0.285	0.283	0.296
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.483	0.492	0.495	0.503	0.546	0.585	0.487	0.509	0.493	0.496	0.474	0.497	
			Std	0.288	0.282	0.286	0.284	0.269	0.261	0.294	0.283	0.291	0.286	0.287	0.289	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.224	0.255	0.000	0.000	0.449				0.516	0.501	0.000	0.000	
			Std	0.265	0.276	0.000	0.000	0.297						0.290	0.282	0.001
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.501	0.483	0.501	0.497	0.503					0.514	0.499	0.474	0.499
			Std	0.289	0.284	0.288	0.292	0.282						0.295	0.283	0.292
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.499	0.484	0.508	0.491	0.578	0.600	0.498	0.493	0.500	0.487	0.504	0.490	
			Std	0.291	0.287	0.288	0.287	0.266	0.252	0.293	0.293	0.298	0.285	0.292	0.289	

Table A.3: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters and direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in Table A.2

				Inverse distance: row normalized							Inverse distance: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$			
WFE	5	200	Bias	0.0141	-0.0078	0.1346	-0.4401	-0.4512	0.0898					0.0127	-0.0063	0.1199	-0.3613	-0.4039	0.0727					
			RMSE	0.0232	0.0113	0.4182	0.4700	0.5409	0.1073						0.0223	0.0102	0.4120	0.3931	0.4976	0.0926				
			Mbias	0.0144	-0.0080	0.1396	-0.4117	-0.4276	0.0864						0.0128	-0.0064	0.1238	-0.3362	-0.3817	0.0696				
			Mabias	0.0163	0.0085	0.2875	0.4117	0.4276	0.0864						0.0158	0.0074	0.2731	0.3362	0.3817	0.0702				
TWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0005	-0.0006	-0.0092	0.0023	-0.0201	-0.0047					0.0006	-0.0006	-0.0105	0.0025	-0.0238	-0.0047					
			RMSE	0.0175	0.0077	0.1677	0.0232	0.0816	0.0526						0.0175	0.0077	0.1754	0.0264	0.0892	0.0526				
			Mbias	0.0004	-0.0009	-0.0025	0.0026	-0.0166	-0.0083						0.0006	-0.0008	-0.0022	0.0032	-0.0198	-0.0081				
			Mabias	0.0119	0.0053	0.1093	0.0153	0.0517	0.0372						0.0119	0.0053	0.1147	0.0179	0.0566	0.0373				
PWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0018	-0.0009	0.0848	-0.0113	-0.0779	-0.0081	0.4430	0.0059	0.0891		0.0011	-0.0007	0.0181	-0.0039	-0.0388	-0.0079	0.0392	0.0299	0.1415		
			RMSE	0.0179	0.0079	0.4686	0.0653	0.1520	0.0530	1.5931	0.3404	0.8459		0.0177	0.0078	0.3684	0.0612	0.0999	0.0530	0.3652	0.3144	0.7820		
			Mbias	0.0016	-0.0013	0.0347	-0.0012	-0.0753	-0.0115	0.2026	-0.0183	-0.0194		0.0011	-0.0010	0.0020	0.0024	-0.0350	-0.0111	0.0486	0.0068	0.0001		
			Mabias	0.0125	0.0055	0.2763	0.0374	0.1036	0.0375	0.3500	0.1850	0.3655		0.0124	0.0055	0.2452	0.0400	0.0645	0.0372	0.2117	0.1900	0.3978		
WFE	5	800	Bias	0.0018	-0.0056	0.4593	-0.9452	-0.1267	0.0705					0.0004	-0.0046	0.3785	-0.8645	-0.1042	0.0615					
			RMSE	0.0095	0.0069	0.5481	0.9539	0.2888	0.0757						0.0093	0.0062	0.4802	0.8733	0.2709	0.0673				
			Mbias	0.0021	-0.0057	0.4574	-0.9293	-0.0988	0.0690						0.0007	-0.0047	0.3681	-0.8495	-0.0700	0.0601				
			Mabias	0.0066	0.0057	0.4576	0.9293	0.1825	0.0690						0.0064	0.0048	0.3732	0.8495	0.1679	0.0601				
TWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0122	0.0008	-0.0058	-0.0011					0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0130	0.0010	-0.0067	-0.0011					
			RMSE	0.0092	0.0041	0.1316	0.0144	0.0561	0.0254						0.0092	0.0041	0.1406	0.0157	0.0607	0.0254				
			Mbias	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0037	0.0011	-0.0026	-0.0030						0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0038	0.0015	-0.0039	-0.0032				
			Mabias	0.0063	0.0029	0.0839	0.0095	0.0372	0.0171						0.0063	0.0029	0.0893	0.0107	0.0401	0.0171				
PWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0099	-0.0055	-0.0364	-0.0019	0.1230	0.0183	0.0078		0.0001	-0.0002	0.0073	-0.0046	-0.0131	-0.0018	0.0023	0.0109	0.0139		
			RMSE	0.0092	0.0041	0.3613	0.0388	0.1125	0.0255	0.3714	0.2003	0.2799		0.0092	0.0041	0.3237	0.0424	0.0670	0.0255	0.1258	0.1895	0.3068		
			Mbias	0.0006	-0.0002	-0.0154	-0.0013	-0.0336	-0.0036	0.0635	-0.0017	-0.0086		0.0004	-0.0002	-0.0008	-0.0012	-0.0110	-0.0038	0.0081	-0.0032	-0.0108		
			Mabias	0.0063	0.0029	0.2460	0.0240	0.0756	0.0171	0.1766	0.1267	0.1865		0.0062	0.0029	0.2299	0.0266	0.0428	0.0171	0.0782	0.1236	0.2063		

Table A.4: Simulation results row and scalar normalized inverse distance matrix (Case I):  $\rho = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1.5$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 3$

Settings				Inverse distance: row normalized				Inverse distance: scalar normalized			
	T	N		$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$
WFE	5	200	Bias	0.0009	0.0001	-0.2218	-0.3957	0.0014	0.0001	-0.1509	-0.3534
			RMSE	0.0183	0.0079	0.5706	0.4202	0.0182	0.0078	0.5454	0.3795
			Mbias	0.0017	0.0001	-0.2607	-0.3844	0.0019	0.0000	-0.1911	-0.3462
TWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0123	0.0054	0.4179	0.3844	0.0123	0.0054	0.3945	0.3462
			RMSE	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0131	0.0066	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0166	0.0065
			Mbias	0.0181	0.0078	0.4030	0.0545	0.0180	0.0078	0.3953	0.0556
PWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0003	-0.0003	-0.0232	0.0090	0.0005	-0.0003	-0.0311	0.0113
			RMSE	0.0122	0.0054	0.2866	0.0357	0.0122	0.0055	0.2715	0.0361
			Mbias	0.0003	-0.0002	0.0286	0.0022	0.0003	-0.0002	0.0063	-0.0011
	5	200	Bias	0.0183	0.0078	0.7548	0.1079	0.0181	0.0078	0.7039	0.1125
			RMSE	0.0007	-0.0002	-0.0416	0.0146	0.0007	-0.0003	-0.0457	0.0148
			Mbias	0.0125	0.0055	0.5050	0.0684	0.0124	0.0055	0.4778	0.0756
WFE	5	800	Bias	-0.0015	-0.0018	0.9264	-1.7962	-0.0024	-0.0016	0.8289	-1.6770
			RMSE	0.0095	0.0046	1.5574	2.0526	0.0097	0.0044	1.3745	1.8995
			Mbias	-0.0015	-0.0017	0.6457	-1.5246	-0.0023	-0.0015	0.6096	-1.4567
TWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0064	0.0031	0.6825	1.5246	0.0065	0.0030	0.6493	1.4567
			RMSE	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0093	0.0011	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0084	0.0012
			Mbias	0.0093	0.0040	0.3278	0.0372	0.0093	0.0040	0.3299	0.0370
PWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0175	0.0029	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0218	0.0031
			RMSE	0.0063	0.0028	0.2153	0.0231	0.0064	0.0028	0.2184	0.0228
			Mbias	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0078	-0.0040	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0245	-0.0079
	5	800	Bias	0.0093	0.0040	0.6964	0.0853	0.0093	0.0040	0.6513	0.0839
			RMSE	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0376	0.0112	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0215	0.0007
			Mbias	0.0064	0.0028	0.5097	0.0496	0.0064	0.0028	0.4648	0.0514

Table A.5: Direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  for Case I using the parameter estimates in Table A.4

Settings			Inverse distance: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4099	0.3638	0.3871	0.0057	0.1014					0.4994	0.5118	0.3406	0.0336
			Std	0.3050	0.2943	0.3159	0.0238	0.2046						0.2876	0.2807	0.3185
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4909	0.4979	0.5013	0.5074	0.4970					0.4935	0.5057	0.4548	0.5033
			Std	0.2898	0.2803	0.2908	0.2830	0.2880						0.2892	0.2829	0.2977
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4850	0.4888	0.4794	0.4893	0.4138	0.5033	0.4815	0.4922		0.4879	0.4953	0.4780	0.4715
			Std	0.2917	0.2785	0.2972	0.2979	0.3079	0.2675	0.2989	0.2961		0.2880	0.2852	0.3123	0.3043
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4929	0.2903	0.1766	0.0000	0.1790					0.4957	0.4706	0.2400	0.0000
			Std	0.2896	0.2974	0.2531	0.0000	0.2673					0.2919	0.2910	0.2829	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4977	0.4849	0.5082	0.4996	0.5093					0.4987	0.4955	0.4594	0.5002
			Std	0.2940	0.2874	0.2839	0.2924	0.2908					0.2964	0.2857	0.2936	0.2986
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4946	0.4825	0.4598	0.4863	0.4565	0.4834	0.4768	0.4903		0.4973	0.4859	0.4537	0.4847
			Std	0.2916	0.2861	0.2929	0.2924	0.3112	0.2849	0.2908	0.2918		0.2935	0.2882	0.3002	0.3008
			Inverse distance: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{\beta_1}$	$DE_{\beta_2}$	$IE_{\beta_1}$	$IE_{\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4230	0.4043	0.3955	0.0236	0.1364					0.4980	0.5095	0.3567	0.0617
			Std	0.3043	0.2981	0.3124	0.0683	0.2371						0.2876	0.2810	0.3073
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4915	0.4976	0.4960	0.5099	0.4961					0.4949	0.5030	0.4532	0.4985
			Std	0.2895	0.2817	0.2917	0.2867	0.2890						0.2888	0.2832	0.2959
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4877	0.4921	0.5245	0.5050	0.5905	0.6342	0.5085	0.5109		0.4896	0.4950	0.5013	0.4899
			Std	0.2882	0.2815	0.2847	0.2928	0.2516	0.2407	0.2829	0.2846		0.2874	0.2846	0.3021	0.2994
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.5025	0.3417	0.2348	0.0000	0.2024					0.4884	0.4766	0.2619	0.0000
			Std	0.2932	0.3083	0.2762	0.0000	0.2829					0.2908	0.2892	0.2834	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4977	0.4838	0.5083	0.4934	0.5125					0.4982	0.4946	0.4629	0.4956
			Std	0.2939	0.2868	0.2865	0.2902	0.2930					0.2963	0.2861	0.2978	0.2959
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4966	0.4830	0.4898	0.4930	0.6501	0.7221	0.4935	0.4877		0.4972	0.4863	0.4764	0.4971
			Std	0.2919	0.2858	0.2852	0.2954	0.2371	0.2035	0.2825	0.2823		0.2943	0.2881	0.2931	0.2931

Table A.6: Case I: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table A.4) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table A.5)

	$\rho$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$
Case I	0.5	2	1.5	3
Case II	0.25	2	1.5	3
Case III	-0.25	2	1.5	3
Case IV	0.01	2	1.5	3
Case V	0.5	2	1.5	1
Case VI	0.5	2	1.5	0.5
Case VII	0.5	2	10	3
Case VIII	0.01	2	10	3

Table A.7: Summary of cases

		Negative exponential: row normalized							Negative exponential: scalar normalized											
T	N	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.25)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.25)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	
WFE	5 200	Bias	0.0352	-0.0078	0.4014	-0.1804	-0.2435	0.0715				0.0301	-0.0065	0.3927	-0.1966	-0.2462	0.0590			
		RMSE	0.0402	0.0112	0.4134	0.1843	0.2628	0.0912				0.0356	0.0103	0.4085	0.2015	0.2709	0.0812			
		Mbias	0.0351	-0.0080	0.4025	-0.1798	-0.2417	0.0683				0.0301	-0.0069	0.3911	-0.1960	-0.2454	0.0560			
TWFE	5 200	Bias	0.0069	-0.0005	0.0009	0.0016	-0.0059	-0.0053				0.0303	0.0077	0.3911	0.1960	0.2454	0.0581			
		RMSE	0.0185	0.0079	0.0640	0.0177	0.0512	0.0526				0.0010	-0.0005	0.0017	-0.0079	-0.0053				
		Mbias	0.0011	-0.0006	0.0020	0.0021	-0.0057	-0.0090				0.0183	0.0079	0.0734	0.0198	0.0584	0.0527			
PWFE	5 200	Bias	0.0020	-0.0007	0.0105	0.0004	-0.0052	-0.0091	0.9247	0.0665	0.1548	0.0012	-0.0004	0.0048	0.0000	-0.0081	-0.0089	0.3730	0.0242	0.1618
		RMSE	0.0195	0.0081	0.1169	0.0263	0.0788	0.0531	3.1547	0.1803	0.9911	0.0188	0.0080	0.1294	0.0303	0.0634	0.0531	1.3587	0.2004	0.7791
		Mbias	0.0019	-0.0011	0.0043	0.0016	-0.0088	-0.0128	0.1548	-0.0038	0.0476	0.0009	-0.0007	0.0020	0.0013	-0.0070	-0.0117	0.0790	0.0126	0.0449
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0259	-0.0075	0.4349	-0.2215	-0.1907	0.0695				0.0202	-0.0062	0.4323	-0.2221	-0.1738	0.0619			
		RMSE	0.0279	0.0086	0.4378	0.2228	0.1979	0.0746				0.0225	0.0075	0.4363	0.2235	0.1832	0.0677			
		Mbias	0.0260	-0.0076	0.4340	-0.2221	-0.1891	0.0675				0.0207	-0.0061	0.4324	-0.2223	-0.1710	0.0606			
TWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0008	0.0000	-0.0008	-0.0016				0.0001	-0.0001	0.0007	-0.0013	-0.0012				
		RMSE	0.0097	0.0040	0.0338	0.0100	0.0272	0.0252				0.0095	0.0041	0.0387	0.0109	0.0293	0.0254			
		Mbias	0.0004	-0.0002	-0.0005	0.0002	-0.0005	-0.0028				0.0004	-0.0001	-0.0006	0.0009	-0.0001	-0.0031			
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0004	-0.0002	0.0008	0.0000	0.0014	-0.0026	0.1030	0.0042	0.0236	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0009	-0.0004	-0.0004	-0.0021	0.0451	0.0060	0.0253
		RMSE	0.0101	0.0041	0.0576	0.0161	0.0439	0.0253	0.5707	0.0868	0.3192	0.0096	0.0041	0.0668	0.0169	0.0322	0.0255	0.3771	0.0968	0.3309
		Mbias	0.0004	-0.0004	-0.0004	-0.0008	-0.0002	-0.0041	0.0272	0.0029	-0.0054	0.0003	-0.0001	-0.0008	0.0002	0.0000	-0.0039	-0.0208	-0.0007	0.0007
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0069	0.0027	0.4042	0.0112	0.0294	0.0173	0.3298	0.628	0.1954	0.0065	0.0029	0.4340	0.0111	0.0208	0.0171	0.2258	0.0610	0.2172
		RMSE	0.0259	0.0086	0.4378	0.2228	0.1979	0.0746				0.0202	-0.0062	0.4323	-0.2221	-0.1738	0.0619			
		Mbias	0.0260	-0.0076	0.4340	-0.2221	-0.1891	0.0675				0.0225	0.0075	0.4363	0.2235	0.1832	0.0677			
TWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0199	-0.0081	0.2984	-0.4610	-0.8595	0.0761				0.0175	-0.0065	0.2767	-0.3783	-0.7679	0.0619			
		RMSE	0.0272	0.0115	0.5110	0.4904	0.9481	0.0666				0.0254	0.0104	0.4957	0.4107	0.8621	0.0847			
		Mbias	0.0199	-0.0083	0.3102	-0.4373	-0.8337	0.0725				0.0176	-0.0067	0.2710	-0.3541	-0.7478	0.0587			
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0007	-0.0006	0.0078	0.0024	-0.0195	-0.0053				0.0007	-0.0006	-0.0093	0.0026	-0.0232	-0.0053			
		RMSE	0.0176	0.0078	0.1711	0.0232	0.0959	0.0526				0.0176	0.0077	0.1787	0.0264	0.1043	0.0526			
		Mbias	0.0007	-0.0009	-0.0015	0.0027	-0.0190	-0.0091				0.0008	-0.0008	0.0018	0.0034	-0.0200	-0.0087			
TWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0018	-0.0008	0.0635	-0.0066	-0.0665	-0.0091	1.8672	0.0130	0.1290	0.0010	-0.0006	0.0089	-0.0032	-0.0373	-0.0087	0.2969	0.0435	0.1590
		RMSE	0.0181	0.0080	0.4653	0.0605	0.1951	0.0530	4.9330	0.3141	0.9857	0.0178	0.0079	0.3685	0.0611	0.1294	0.0530	1.6143	0.3162	0.8008
		Mbias	0.0016	-0.0012	0.0115	0.0024	-0.0694	-0.0125	0.3975	-0.0068	0.0086	0.0011	-0.0008	-0.0144	0.0034	-0.0311	-0.0119	0.0789	0.0161	0.0172
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0053	-0.0035	1.0618	-1.0953	-0.4958	0.0588				0.0020	-0.0037	0.6806	-0.8860	-0.4912	0.0564			
		RMSE	0.0108	0.0054	1.0658	1.1036	0.6175	0.0647				0.0096	0.0056	0.7568	0.8959	0.6158	0.0628			
		Mbias	0.0054	-0.0036	1.0614	-1.0815	-0.4649	0.0579				0.0023	-0.0039	0.7026	-0.8728	-0.4602	0.0548			
TWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0040	0.0001	-0.0057	-0.0016				0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0115	0.0010	-0.0061	-0.0012			
		RMSE	0.0091	0.0039	0.1202	0.0144	0.0628	0.0251				0.0092	0.0041	0.1436	0.0157	0.0694	0.0254			
		Mbias	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0064	0.0001	-0.0026	-0.0031				0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0032	0.0016	-0.0043	-0.0033			
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0004	-0.0002	0.0004	-0.0049	-0.0177	-0.0026	0.7358	0.0139	0.0233	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0078	-0.0044	-0.0089	-0.0020	0.0017	0.0143	0.0169
		RMSE	0.0092	0.0040	0.2718	0.0401	0.1269	0.0254	2.6918	0.1614	0.3002	0.0092	0.0041	0.3284	0.0424	0.0794	0.0254	0.3482	0.1949	0.3089
		Mbias	0.0005	-0.0003	-0.0182	-0.0021	-0.0290	-0.0042	0.1366	0.0053	0.0019	0.0004	-0.0002	-0.0037	-0.0012	-0.0054	-0.0038	0.0111	-0.0036	-0.0063
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0063	0.0026	0.1738	0.0258	0.0881	0.0174	0.4089	0.1042	0.1828	0.0063	0.0029	0.2347	0.0264	0.0494	0.0171	0.1645	0.1224	0.2073
		RMSE	0.0259	0.0086	0.4378	0.2228	0.1979	0.0746				0.0202	-0.0062	0.4323	-0.2221	-0.1738	0.0619			
		Mbias	0.0260	-0.0076	0.4340	-0.2221	-0.1891	0.0675				0.0225	0.0075	0.4363	0.2235	0.1832	0.0677			

Table B.1: Simulation results for Case II:  $\rho = 0.25, \alpha_0 = 2, \alpha_1 = 1.5, \alpha_2 = 3$

T	N	Negative exponential: row normalized										Negative exponential: scalar normalized									
		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(-0.25)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(-0.25)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$		
WFE	5 200	Bias	0.0566	-0.0113	0.4367	-0.1901	-0.7372	0.0534													
		RMSE	0.0602	0.0139	0.4503	0.1945	0.7488	0.0795													
		Mbias	0.0565	-0.0115	0.4393	-0.1894	-0.7381	0.0517													
TWFE	5 200	Bias	0.0007	-0.0004	0.0016	0.0015	-0.0037	-0.0057													
		RMSE	0.0194	0.0081	0.0663	0.0181	0.0574	0.0527													
		Mbias	0.0009	-0.0004	0.0015	0.0023	-0.0033	-0.0083													
PWFE	5 200	Bias	0.0136	0.0055	0.0441	0.0120	0.0378	0.0361													
		RMSE	0.0227	-0.0009	0.0187	-0.0023	-0.0712	-0.0108	0.3684	0.0034	0.0654										
		Mbias	0.0017	-0.0012	0.0142	-0.0012	-0.0457	-0.0133	-0.1817	-0.0030	-0.1445										
WFE	5 800	Bias	0.0415	-0.0093	0.4611	-0.2163	-0.6868	0.0598													
		RMSE	0.0429	0.0103	0.4651	0.2179	0.6907	0.0663													
		Mbias	0.0420	-0.0092	0.4612	-0.2166	-0.6884	0.0595													
TWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0420	0.0092	0.4612	0.2166	0.6884	0.0595													
		RMSE	0.0099	0.0042	0.0370	0.0104	0.0315	0.0253													
		Mbias	0.0007	-0.0001	-0.0017	0.0008	0.0001	-0.0031													
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0065	0.0029	0.0260	0.0070	0.0209	0.0169													
		RMSE	0.0005	-0.0002	0.0022	-0.0011	-0.0161	-0.0025	0.0685	0.0019	0.0013										
		Mbias	0.0105	0.0042	0.0603	0.0156	0.0685	0.0254	0.6785	0.8896	0.3091										
WFE	5 200	Bias	0.0008	-0.0002	0.0011	-0.0006	-0.0077	-0.0041	-0.0123	-0.0019	-0.0144										
		RMSE	0.0071	0.0030	0.0404	0.0099	0.0397	0.0170	0.3716	0.0578	0.2038										
		Mbias																			
WFE	5 800	Bias	0.0371	-0.0088	0.4850	-0.2360	-0.7194	0.0539													
		RMSE	0.0386	0.0097	0.4896	0.2377	0.7244	0.0608													
		Mbias	0.0374	-0.0087	0.4877	-0.2361	-0.7189	0.0534													
TWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0374	0.0087	0.2361	0.7189	0.0534														
		RMSE	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0019	0.0007	-0.0012	-0.0013													
		Mbias	0.0098	0.0042	0.0402	0.0111	0.0342	0.0253													
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0005	-0.0001	-0.0008	0.0009	-0.0003	-0.0030													
		RMSE	0.0065	0.0029	0.0278	0.0074	0.0235	0.0170													
		Mbias	0.0003	-0.0002	0.0016	-0.0009	-0.0039	-0.0022	0.0371	0.0003	0.0033										
WFE	5 200	Bias	0.0281	-0.0079	0.4584	-0.4177	-1.7420	0.0470													
		RMSE	0.0340	0.0114	0.6522	0.4517	1.8271	0.0774													
		Mbias	0.0287	-0.0080	0.4827	-0.3987	-1.7251	0.0444													
TWFE	5 200	Bias	0.0009	-0.0006	-0.0059	0.0026	-0.0206	-0.0060													
		RMSE	0.0178	0.0078	0.1819	0.0266	0.1223	0.0527													
		Mbias	0.0011	-0.0007	0.0020	0.0032	-0.0168	-0.0094													
PWFE	5 200	Bias	0.0123	0.0054	0.1255	0.0179	0.0801	0.0368													
		RMSE	0.0019	-0.0009	0.0290	-0.0038	-0.0734	-0.0094	0.0387	0.0138	0.1187										
		Mbias	0.0182	0.0079	0.3662	0.0608	0.1691	0.0531	1.0957	0.2900	0.7473										
WFE	5 800	Bias	0.0055	-0.0032	0.9690	-0.9387	-1.8309	0.0547													
		RMSE	0.0111	0.0054	1.0676	0.9523	1.9203	0.0621													
		Mbias	0.0062	-0.0033	1.0019	-0.9297	-1.8188	0.0536													
TWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0080	0.0038	1.0019	0.9297	1.8188	0.0536													
		RMSE	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0006	0.0010	-0.0052	-0.0013													
		Mbias	0.0092	0.0041	0.1460	0.0158	0.0804	0.0253													
PWFE	5 800	Bias	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0018	0.0013	-0.0035	-0.0033													
		RMSE	0.0062	0.0029	0.0940	0.0106	0.0548	0.0171													
		Mbias	0.0003	-0.0003	0.0225	-0.0048	-0.0186	-0.0022	0.0204	0.0037	0.0087										
WFE	5 200	Bias	0.0092	0.0041	0.3342	-0.0424	-0.0876	0.0254													
		RMSE	0.0006	-0.0006	0.0067	-0.0013	-0.0164	-0.0039	-0.0107												
		Mbias	0.0063	0.0029	0.2367	0.0266	0.0576	0.0174	0.1628	0.1245	0.2047										

Table B.2: Simulation results for Case III:  $\rho = -0.25$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1.5$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 3$

		Negative exponential: row normalized										Negative exponential: scalar normalized									
T	N	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$		
WFE	5	0.0444	-0.0091	0.4256	-0.1863	-0.4625	0.0623				0.0382	-0.0075	0.4210	-0.2029	-0.4722	0.0519					
	200	0.0487	0.0122	0.4381	0.1904	0.4774	0.0847				0.0431	0.0110	0.4375	0.2080	0.4920	0.0767					
	RMSE	0.0443	-0.0094	0.4274	-0.1853	-0.4625	0.0597				0.0385	-0.0079	0.4210	-0.2025	-0.4719	0.0495					
TWFE	5	0.0048	-0.0005	0.0011	0.0016	-0.0049	-0.0056				0.0010	-0.0005	0.0004	0.0017	-0.0072	-0.0057					
	200	0.0189	0.0080	0.0178	0.0555	0.0526				0.0187	0.0079	0.0747	0.0200	0.0635	0.0526						
	RMSE	0.0009	-0.0006	0.0027	0.0022	-0.0043	-0.0089				0.0012	-0.0006	0.0016	0.0025	-0.0071	-0.0089					
PWFE	5	0.0132	0.0054	0.0435	0.0120	0.0376	0.0367				0.0133	0.0055	0.0496	0.0134	0.0431	0.0366					
	200	0.0020	-0.0007	0.0157	-0.0010	-0.0283	-0.0066	3.0267			0.0017	-0.0007	0.0075	-0.0005	-0.0191	-0.0088	1.6990				
	RMSE	0.0210	0.0083	0.1165	0.0266	0.1495	0.0531	7.0660	0.1712	0.8550	0.0195	0.0081	0.1125	0.0300	0.1015	0.0530	3.9540	0.1403	0.6696		
WFE	5	0.0013	-0.0010	0.0098	0.0004	0.0068	-0.0130	-0.0523	-0.0014	0.0119	0.0021	-0.0009	0.0059	0.0009	-0.0143	0.0209	-0.0045	0.0104			
	200	0.0146	0.0054	0.0796	0.0178	0.0785	0.0375	1.5000	0.1193	0.3772	0.0141	0.0056	0.0797	0.0200	0.0661	0.0374	1.4300	0.0953	0.3816		
	RMSE	0.0338	-0.0083	0.4695	-0.2282	-0.4129	0.0643				0.0298	-0.0077	0.4780	-0.2499	-0.4310	0.0575					
TWFE	5	0.0354	0.0093	0.4725	0.2296	0.4179	0.0699				0.0316	0.0088	0.4817	0.2515	0.4371	0.0636					
	200	0.0337	-0.0084	0.4693	-0.2288	-0.4114	0.0628				0.0301	-0.0079	0.4788	-0.2507	-0.4298	0.0561					
	RMSE	0.0337	0.0084	0.4693	0.2288	0.4114	0.0628				0.0301	0.0079	0.4788	0.2507	0.4298	0.0561					
PWFE	5	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0008	0.0000	-0.0008	-0.0017				0.0001	-0.0002	0.0010	0.0001	-0.0007	-0.0017					
	200	0.0099	0.0040	0.0344	0.0101	0.0301	0.0251				0.0098	0.0040	0.0379	0.0107	0.0328	0.0251					
	RMSE	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0004	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0030				0.0000	-0.0003	0.0012	0.0000	0.0003	-0.0030					
WFE	5	0.0070	0.0027	0.0225	0.0067	0.0196	0.0176				0.0070	0.0027	0.0252	0.0071	0.0217	0.0176					
	200	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0009	-0.0011	0.0011	-0.0027	2.9763	0.0070	0.0226	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0020	-0.0012	-0.0002	-0.0025	1.8593	0.0030	0.0143		
	RMSE	0.0107	0.0042	0.0388	0.0162	0.0739	0.0252	6.7608	0.0876	0.3174	0.0102	0.0041	0.0559	0.0170	0.0480	0.0252	4.0778	0.0706	0.3085		
TWFE	5	-0.0002	-0.0003	-0.0019	-0.0010	0.0104	-0.0041	0.0229	0.0071	-0.0052	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0013	-0.0012	0.0058	-0.0040	0.1341	0.0032	-0.0080		
	200	0.0074	0.0028	0.0408	0.0111	0.0386	0.0176	1.4509	0.0616	0.1966	0.0069	0.0027	0.0379	0.0119	0.0320	0.0175	1.3867	0.0490	0.1934		
	RMSE	0.0074	0.0028	0.0408	0.0111	0.0386	0.0176	1.4509	0.0616	0.1966	0.0069	0.0027	0.0379	0.0119	0.0320	0.0175	1.3867	0.0490	0.1934		

Table B.3: Simulation results for Case IV:  $\rho = 0.01$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1.5$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 3$



		Negative exponential: row normalized						Negative exponential: scalar normalized													
T	N	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(1)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(1)$		
WFE	5	200	Bias	-0.0161	-0.0024	0.3432	0.0284	0.0486	0.0327		0.0143	-0.0019	0.3516	0.0387	0.0422	0.0269					
			RMSE	0.0239	0.0084	0.3549	0.0453	0.0768	0.0615			0.0233	0.0080	0.3655	0.0551	0.0794	0.0608				
			Mbias	0.0159	-0.0025	0.3424	0.0282	0.0499	0.0315			0.0144	-0.0019	0.3504	0.0392	0.0458	0.0234				
TWFE	5	200	Mabias	0.0173	0.0056	0.3424	0.0321	0.0578	0.0424		0.0162	0.0056	0.3504	0.0415	0.0578	0.0306					
			Bias	0.0007	-0.0004	-0.0047	-0.0005	-0.0055	-0.0046			0.0009	-0.0004	0.0005	0.0032	-0.0089	-0.0046				
			RMSE	0.0172	0.0080	0.0656	0.0340	0.0434	0.0507			0.0179	0.0077	0.0720	0.0373	0.0493	0.0528				
PWFE	5	200	Mbias	0.0009	-0.0003	-0.0035	-0.0003	-0.0034	-0.0063		0.0013	-0.0005	0.0006	0.0027	-0.0070	-0.0089					
			Mabias	0.0117	0.0055	0.0445	0.0217	0.0290	0.0335			0.0126	0.0054	0.0480	0.0246	0.0332	0.0375				
			Bias	0.0021	-0.0006	0.0142	-0.0112	-0.0198	-0.0078	0.2024	0.01012	0.0173	0.0013	-0.0005	0.0048	-0.0086	-0.0154	-0.0080	0.0964	0.0235	0.0736
PWFE	5	800	RMSE	0.0180	0.0080	0.1253	0.0639	0.0682	0.0514	0.8152	0.1877	0.2620	0.1287	0.0669	0.0552	0.0534	0.1957	0.4106	0.1995	0.5300	
			Mbias	0.0020	-0.0006	0.0103	-0.0055	-0.0166	-0.0088	0.0984	-0.0192	-0.0192	0.0012	-0.0006	0.0012	0.0006	-0.0132	-0.0109	0.0447	0.0052	0.0019
			Mabias	0.0122	0.0056	0.0867	0.0404	0.0449	0.0339	0.3020	0.1248	0.1578	0.0133	0.0053	0.0876	0.0447	0.0375	0.0383	0.2362	0.1247	0.1752
WFE	5	800	Bias	0.0142	-0.0010	0.3273	0.0216	0.0599	0.0377		0.0104	-0.0002	0.3597	0.0304	0.0907	0.0310					
			RMSE	0.0171	0.0040	0.3307	0.0304	0.0684	0.0461			0.0141	0.0041	0.3635	0.0379	0.0974	0.0407				
			Mbias	0.0140	-0.0010	0.3285	0.0208	0.0610	0.0373			0.0108	-0.0002	0.3590	0.0311	0.0929	0.0295				
TWFE	5	800	Mabias	0.0141	0.0026	0.3285	0.0222	0.0610	0.0374		0.0112	0.0028	0.3590	0.0312	0.0929	0.0298					
			Bias	0.0000	0.0002	-0.0033	-0.0004	-0.0022	-0.0017			0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0019	0.0009	-0.0016	-0.0011				
			RMSE	0.0093	0.0038	0.0346	0.0204	0.0230	0.0256			0.0094	0.0040	0.0379	0.0223	0.0244	0.0256				
PWFE	5	800	Mbias	-0.0001	0.0002	-0.0031	-0.0007	-0.0030	-0.0020		0.0005	-0.0002	-0.0005	0.0012	-0.0009	-0.0031					
			Mabias	0.0063	0.0025	0.0226	0.0128	0.0157	0.0179			0.0063	0.0028	0.0260	0.0149	0.0166	0.0171				
			Bias	0.0004	0.0001	0.0011	-0.0039	-0.0058	-0.0025	0.0400	0.0001	0.0038	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0011	-0.0028	-0.0026	-0.0019	0.0139	0.0056	0.0044
PWFE	5	800	RMSE	0.0093	0.0038	0.0610	0.0355	0.0344	0.0259	0.2283	0.0835	0.1267	0.0661	0.0381	0.0272	0.0257	0.1638	0.0939	0.1322		
			Mbias	0.0001	0.0001	-0.0006	-0.0021	-0.0047	-0.0024	0.0224	-0.0041	-0.0014	0.0004	-0.0001	0.0001	-0.0011	-0.0017	-0.0086	0.0015	-0.0011	-0.0035
			Mabias	0.0063	0.0025	0.0397	0.0230	0.0235	0.0178	0.1420	0.0566	0.0782	0.0064	0.0028	0.0427	0.0256	0.0180	0.0171	0.1117	0.0613	0.0878
WFE	5	200	Bias	0.0068	0.0005	0.5730	0.1215	0.0885	0.0117		0.0068	0.0005	0.5672	0.1186	0.0614	0.0092					
			RMSE	0.0183	0.0081	0.6477	0.1464	0.1407	0.0625			0.0191	0.0077	0.6399	0.1427	0.1301	0.0541				
			Mbias	0.0066	0.0004	0.5738	0.1240	0.1033	0.0098			0.0066	0.0004	0.5712	0.1207	0.0716	0.0071				
TWFE	5	200	Mabias	0.0125	0.0055	0.5738	0.1244	0.1149	0.0364		0.0132	0.0053	0.5712	0.1210	0.0949	0.0361					
			Bias	0.0004	-0.0004	-0.0245	-0.0052	-0.0202	-0.0045			0.0006	-0.0004	-0.0087	0.0020	-0.0238	-0.0047				
			RMSE	0.0166	0.0079	0.1742	0.0782	0.0789	0.0505			0.0175	0.0077	0.1742	0.0777	0.0828	0.0526				
PWFE	5	200	Mbias	0.0005	-0.0004	-0.0196	-0.0016	-0.0147	-0.0070		0.0006	-0.0005	-0.0064	0.0009	-0.0182	-0.0084					
			Mabias	0.0118	0.0054	0.1162	0.0511	0.0534	0.0337			0.0120	0.0054	0.1152	0.0509	0.0515	0.0376				
			Bias	0.0021	-0.0005	0.1018	-0.0263	-0.1041	-0.0079	0.7775	0.0335	0.1044	0.0012	-0.0003	0.0520	0.0005	-0.0440	-0.0077	0.0459	0.0242	0.0702
PWFE	5	800	RMSE	0.0175	0.0080	0.5891	0.1315	0.1689	0.0510	2.4137	0.4828	1.4794	0.0177	0.4883	0.1042	0.0961	0.0530	0.3547	0.3374	0.7799	
			Mbias	0.0023	-0.0006	0.0229	-0.0227	-0.1002	-0.0101	0.2757	-0.0184	-0.0827	0.0014	-0.0003	-0.0072	0.0009	-0.0420	-0.0103	0.0406	-0.0012	-0.0437
			Mabias	0.0119	0.0055	0.3501	0.0843	0.1172	0.0343	0.3801	0.2333	0.2716	0.0122	0.0054	0.2907	0.0714	0.0628	0.0375	0.1969	0.2168	0.2619
WFE	5	800	Bias	0.0024	0.0006	0.5738	0.1659	0.1884	0.0116		0.0029	0.0004	0.5665	0.1344	0.1673	0.0107					
			RMSE	0.0093	0.0039	0.6141	0.1924	0.2067	0.0283			0.0097	0.0040	0.6173	0.1610	0.1901	0.0278				
			Mbias	0.0024	0.0006	0.5739	0.1646	0.1959	0.0111			0.0031	0.0005	0.5653	0.1336	0.1814	0.0089				
TWFE	5	800	Mabias	0.0061	0.0025	0.5739	0.1647	0.1959	0.0187		0.0066	0.0029	0.5653	0.1336	0.1815	0.0175					
			Bias	-0.0001	0.0002	-0.0207	0.0055	-0.0103	-0.0018			0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0150	0.0039	-0.0092	-0.0011				
			RMSE	0.0090	0.0038	0.1246	0.0971	0.0561	0.0255			0.0092	0.0040	0.1387	0.0901	0.0599	0.0254				
PWFE	5	800	Mbias	-0.0001	0.0002	-0.0144	0.0059	-0.0075	-0.0024		0.0003	-0.0001	-0.0057	0.0027	-0.0060	-0.0031					
			Mabias	0.0059	0.0024	0.0832	0.0662	0.0385	0.0176			0.0062	0.0028	0.0918	0.0604	0.0390	0.0171				
			Bias	0.0002	0.0002	0.0006	-0.0116	-0.0556	-0.0026	0.1675	0.0088	0.2784	0.0002	-0.0001	0.0044	-0.0042	-0.0205	-0.0017	0.0177	0.0148	0.1169
PWFE	5	800	RMSE	0.0089	0.0038	0.2859	0.1702	0.1202	0.0256	0.3829	0.1659	1.7678	0.0092	0.0040	0.3269	0.0659	0.0254	0.1214	0.1901	0.9220	
			Mbias	0.0001	0.0002	-0.0171	0.0014	-0.0577	-0.0033	0.1106	0.0136	-0.0164	0.0005	-0.0001	-0.0086	-0.0020	-0.0184	-0.0037	0.0225	-0.0002	-0.0250
			Mabias	0.0059	0.0024	0.1784	0.1116	0.0856	0.0178	0.1865	0.1078	0.2627	0.0062	0.0027	0.2316	0.0833	0.0413	0.0171	0.0827	0.1254	0.2154

Table B.4: Simulation results for Case V:  $\rho = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1.5$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 1$

		Negative exponential: row normalized										Negative exponential: scalar normalized									
T	N	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(0.5)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(0.5)$		
WFE	5	0.0127	-0.0002	0.3491	0.1690	0.0782	0.0380				0.0114	0.0002	0.3631	0.1783	0.0787	0.0297					
	200	0.0224	0.0077	0.3594	0.1722	0.0972	0.0673				0.0215	0.0077	0.3758	0.1825	0.1017	0.0624					
TWFE	5	0.0154	0.0054	0.3487	0.1688	0.0833	0.0441				0.0152	0.0054	0.3611	0.1782	0.0851	0.0417					
	200	0.0069	-0.0003	0.0005	0.0045	-0.0069	-0.0046				0.0009	-0.0003	0.0001	0.0048	-0.0087	-0.0046					
PWFE	5	0.0020	-0.0004	0.0117	-0.0101	-0.0237	-0.0077	0.2021	0.0119	0.0276	0.0011	-0.0003	0.0030	0.0000	-0.0158	-0.0079	0.0945	0.0252	0.0694		
	200	0.0187	0.0077	0.1188	0.0894	0.0534	0.5384	0.1774	0.3286	0.1774	0.0286	0.0077	0.1287	0.0867	0.0536	0.3708	0.1967	0.1967	0.5238		
WFE	5	0.0135	0.0054	0.0802	0.0575	0.0438	0.0380	0.2852	0.1168	0.1114	0.0132	0.0054	0.0870	0.0578	0.0357	0.0381	0.2162	0.1216	0.1023		
	200	0.0162	0.0040	0.3143	0.1741	0.0737	0.0478				0.0109	0.0008	0.3419	0.1837	0.0928	0.0395					
TWFE	5	0.0022	-0.0005	0.0046	-0.0067	-0.0216	-0.0104	0.1219	-0.0015	-0.0222	0.0016	-0.0004	-0.0007	-0.0072	-0.0139	-0.0109	0.0584	0.0079	-0.0122		
	200	0.0094	0.0038	0.0332	0.0366	0.0220	0.0253				0.0094	0.0038	0.0364	0.0419	0.0239	0.0253					
PWFE	5	0.0004	-0.0002	0.0001	-0.0010	-0.0004	-0.0027				0.0004	-0.0002	0.0000	-0.0027	0.0001	-0.0027					
	200	0.0065	0.0026	0.0225	0.0246	0.0142	0.0173				0.0064	0.0026	0.0243	0.0293	0.0154	0.0172					
WFE	5	0.0018	-0.0004	0.0944	-0.0211	-0.0985	-0.0080	0.5470	0.0344	0.0432	0.0010	-0.0002	0.0496	-0.0075	-0.0442	-0.0077	0.0784	0.0347	0.0370		
	200	0.0178	0.0077	0.5563	0.1259	0.1607	0.0530	1.4688	0.3866	1.3426	0.0176	0.0077	0.4418	0.1085	0.0965	0.0530	0.3275	0.3390	0.6663		
PWFE	5	0.0017	-0.0004	-0.0050	-0.0189	-0.1009	-0.0114	0.3080	0.0023	-0.1881	0.0014	-0.0003	-0.0082	-0.0054	-0.0418	-0.0110	0.0650	0.0113	-0.0502		
	200	0.0122	0.0054	0.3179	0.0775	0.1157	0.0377	0.3808	0.2097	0.4000	0.0122	0.0054	0.2904	0.0734	0.0627	0.0374	0.1879	0.2142	0.3730		
WFE	5	0.0028	0.0007	0.5987	0.3281	0.2063	0.0134				0.0025	0.0006	0.5600	0.3022	0.1951	0.0112					
	200	0.0065	0.0039	0.6331	0.3425	0.2254	0.0289				0.0094	0.0039	0.5990	0.3181	0.2134	0.0278					
TWFE	5	0.0029	0.0007	0.6019	0.3271	0.2173	0.0121				0.0025	0.0005	0.5576	0.3008	0.2057	0.0097					
	200	0.0066	0.0026	0.6019	0.3271	0.2173	0.0191				0.0066	0.0026	0.5576	0.3008	0.2057	0.0179					
PWFE	5	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0077	-0.0036	-0.0098	-0.0014				0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0094	-0.0044	-0.0111	-0.0014					
	200	0.0091	0.0038	0.1167	0.0551	0.0516	0.0251				0.0091	0.0038	0.1267	0.0545	0.0563	0.0252					
WFE	5	0.0003	-0.0002	-0.0093	-0.0036	-0.0064	-0.0031				0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0094	-0.0032	-0.0081	-0.0030					
	200	0.0062	0.0026	0.0794	0.0388	0.0336	0.0174				0.0062	0.0026	0.0893	0.0388	0.0336	0.0174					
PWFE	5	0.0005	-0.0002	0.0018	-0.0229	-0.0571	-0.0024	0.1819	0.0214	0.2154	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0130	-0.0092	-0.0209	-0.0023	0.0357	0.0256	0.1679		
	200	0.0092	0.0039	0.2814	0.1973	0.1150	0.3681	0.1635	1.6751	0.0091	0.0038	0.2699	0.1759	0.0621	0.0253	0.1217	0.1685	0.9381			
WFE	5	0.0005	-0.0002	-0.0224	-0.0143	-0.0575	-0.0042	0.1365	0.0137	-0.0547	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0262	-0.0087	-0.0179	-0.0039	0.0353	0.0163	0.0095		
	200	0.0063	0.0026	0.1872	0.1328	0.0777	0.0172	0.1975	0.1068	0.3457	0.0063	0.0026	0.1828	0.1205	0.0404	0.0173	0.0792	0.1077	0.3043		

Table B.5: Simulation results for Case VI:  $\rho = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1.5$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 0.5$

		Negative exponential: row normalized										Negative exponential: scalar normalized									
T	N	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$		
WFE	5	0.1457	-0.0232	1.5329	-0.2129	-0.7391	0.7008				0.1342	-0.0200	1.6631	-0.2219	-0.8034	0.6237					
	200	0.1480	0.0250	1.5413	0.2228	0.7516	0.7075				0.1367	0.0220	1.6731	0.2340	0.8196	0.6307					
	RMSE	0.1460	-0.0232	1.5313	-0.2126	-0.7343	0.7006				0.1353	-0.0198	1.6594	-0.2239	-0.7952	0.6201					
TWFE	5	0.1460	0.0232	1.5313	0.2126	0.7343	0.7006				0.1353	0.0198	1.6594	0.2239	0.7952	0.6201					
	200	0.0008	-0.0004	-0.0036	0.0001	-0.0038	-0.0048				0.0011	-0.0005	-0.0047	0.0003	-0.0059	-0.0046					
	RMSE	0.0193	0.0082	0.0358	0.0182	0.0444	0.0507				0.0191	0.0081	0.0384	0.0201	0.0505	0.0507					
PWFE	5	0.0008	-0.0004	-0.0031	-0.0001	-0.0017	-0.0060				0.0016	-0.0004	-0.0038	-0.0005	-0.0038	-0.0057					
	200	0.0131	0.0055	0.0246	0.0121	0.0302	0.0377				0.0130	0.0055	0.0261	0.0135	0.0343	0.0337					
	RMSE	0.0209	0.0082	0.0485	0.0282	0.0637	0.0510	0.0814	2.4753	0.0384	0.0201	0.0082	0.0470	0.0324	0.0538	0.0509	0.2957	3.3829	0.6853		
WFE	5	0.0024	-0.0005	0.0037	-0.0021	-0.0029	-0.0069	-0.0055	1.1893	-0.0379	0.0026	-0.0005	0.0021	-0.0038	-0.0051	-0.0087	-0.0267	0.0575	-0.0438		
	200	0.0137	0.0056	0.0325	0.0180	0.0446	0.0337	3.072	2.7069	0.3691	0.0135	0.0057	0.0323	0.0208	0.0376	0.0342	0.1867	2.7792	0.4100		
	RMSE	0.0209	0.0082	0.0485	0.0282	0.0637	0.0510	0.0814	2.4753	0.0384	0.0201	0.0082	0.0470	0.0324	0.0538	0.0509	0.2957	3.3829	0.6853		
TWFE	5	0.1435	-0.0197	1.5524	-0.2676	-0.7046	0.6851				0.1357	-0.0189	1.6726	-0.2913	-0.7654	0.6126					
	200	0.1441	0.0202	1.5549	0.2702	0.7089	0.6866				0.1363	0.0194	1.6755	0.2943	0.7706	0.6442					
	RMSE	0.1432	-0.0197	1.5510	-0.2687	-0.7036	0.6833				0.1358	-0.0188	1.6723	-0.2926	-0.7660	0.6413					
PWFE	5	0.0001	0.0001	-0.0019	-0.0001	-0.0017	-0.0018				0.0002	0.0001	-0.0021	-0.0001	-0.0021	-0.0018					
	200	0.0102	0.0039	0.0183	0.0104	0.0234	0.0256				0.0101	0.0039	0.0192	0.0108	0.0256	0.0256					
	RMSE	0.0067	0.0026	0.0124	0.0069	0.0167	0.0180				0.0063	0.0026	0.0129	0.0072	0.0178	0.0178					
WFE	5	0.0000	0.0002	-0.0005	-0.0002	-0.0027	-0.0027	0.0103	0.1010	-0.0077	0.0003	0.0001	-0.0005	-0.0005	-0.0013	-0.0028	0.0069	-0.0143			
	200	0.0018	-0.0006	0.0061	-0.0142	-0.0463	-0.0084	3.317	1.5625	0.0370	0.0034	-0.0007	0.0022	-0.0096	-0.0235	-0.0076	-0.0139	0.5795	0.0645		
	RMSE	0.0213	0.0081	0.0502	0.0638	0.1336	0.0507	1.4333	4.4605	0.5998	0.0205	0.0081	0.0519	0.0607	0.0968	0.0507	0.2899	2.7348	0.6513		
TWFE	5	0.0016	-0.0004	-0.0040	0.0001	-0.0061	-0.0066				0.0020	-0.0004	-0.0052	-0.0008	-0.0102	-0.0067					
	200	0.0128	0.0054	0.0249	0.0161	0.0544	0.0339				0.0129	0.0055	0.0260	0.0178	0.0578	0.0341					
	RMSE	0.0016	-0.0004	-0.0040	0.0001	-0.0061	-0.0066				0.0020	-0.0004	-0.0052	-0.0008	-0.0102	-0.0067					
PWFE	5	0.0145	0.0055	0.0344	0.0384	0.0922	0.0342	0.2988	1.7265	0.3481	0.0140	0.0056	0.0341	0.0400	0.0659	0.0338	0.1711	1.7958	0.3639		
	200	0.1446	-0.0144	10.4701	-1.7657	-4.1500	1.1636				0.1299	-0.0137	10.2618	-1.6937	-4.1029	1.0752					
	RMSE	0.1475	0.0156	10.5594	1.8323	4.3777	1.1710				0.1328	0.0149	10.3424	1.7669	4.3362	1.0819					
TWFE	5	0.0003	0.0001	-0.0020	-0.0001	-0.0054	-0.0019				0.0003	0.0001	-0.0023	0.0000	-0.0065	-0.0019					
	200	0.0102	0.0039	0.0186	0.0147	0.0552	0.0255				0.0102	0.0038	0.0196	0.0157	0.0605	0.0255					
	RMSE	0.0069	0.0025	0.0124	0.0096	0.0363	0.0174				0.0068	0.0025	0.0129	0.0104	0.0410	0.0175					
PWFE	5	0.0000	0.0001	0.0002	-0.0042	-0.0180	-0.0028	0.0819	5.029	0.0222	0.0006	0.0001	-0.0013	-0.0054	-0.0070	-0.0026	-0.0028	0.3211	0.0179		
	200	0.0113	0.0039	0.0253	0.0374	0.1048	0.0256	3.6645	2.0831	0.2883	0.0106	0.0039	0.0261	0.0426	0.0654	0.0256	0.1011	1.6400	0.3163		
	RMSE	-0.0004	0.0002	0.0000	-0.0014	-0.0183	-0.0036	0.0305	0.0286	0.0064	0.0005	0.0000	-0.0008	-0.0017	-0.0051	-0.0034	-0.0038	-0.0467	-0.0064		
TWFE	5	0.0079	0.0025	0.0171	0.0236	0.0739	0.0178	0.1727	0.8695	0.1819	0.0074	0.0026	0.0173	0.0276	0.0439	0.0179	0.0662	0.8307	0.2046		
	200	0.1466	-0.0144	10.4701	-1.7657	-4.1500	1.1636				0.1299	-0.0137	10.2618	-1.6937	-4.1029	1.0752					
	RMSE	0.1475	0.0156	10.5594	1.8323	4.3777	1.1710				0.1328	0.0149	10.3424	1.7669	4.3362	1.0819					

Table B.6: Simulation results for Case VII:  $\rho = 0.5$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 10$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 3$

		Negative exponential: row normalized											Negative exponential: scalar normalized										
T	N	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\sigma^2(1)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$				
WFE	5	200	Bias	0.2004	-0.0348	1.4153	-0.1869	-1.5530	0.5643		0.1914	-0.0310	1.5643	-0.1983	-1.7261	0.4985		0.1642	0.9760	0.0885			
			RMSE	0.2023	0.0359	1.4236	0.1966	1.5615	0.5740		0.1936	0.0323	1.5747	0.2109	1.7391	0.5094		3.8817	3.3059	0.6762			
			Mbias	0.1999	-0.0349	1.4163	-0.1864	-1.5533	0.5605		0.1907	-0.0313	1.5650	-0.1997	-1.7281	0.4933		0.0438	0.2781	-0.0185			
TWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0007	-0.0004	0.0003	0.0014	-0.0029	-0.0056		0.0012	-0.0005	-0.0003	0.0016	-0.0057	-0.0056		0.0009	-0.0008	-0.0008			
			RMSE	0.0216	0.0080	0.0390	0.0177	0.0555	0.0526		0.0213	0.0080	0.0422	0.0199	0.0644	0.0527		0.0024	0.0430	0.0365			
			Mbias	0.0003	-0.0008	-0.0006	0.0020	-0.0034	-0.0092		0.0009	-0.0008	-0.0004	0.0023	-0.0051	-0.0088		0.0017	0.0044	0.0017			
PWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0239	0.0081	0.0449	0.0267	0.1364	0.0529	2.8172	2.3581	0.0831	0.0024	-0.0006	0.0051	-0.0003	-0.0130	-0.0086	1.6421	0.9760	0.0885		
			RMSE	0.0239	0.0081	0.0449	0.0267	0.1364	0.0529	6.6412	5.6701	0.8206	0.0231	0.0081	0.0496	0.0297	0.0996	0.0529	3.8817	3.3059	0.6762		
			Mbias	0.0028	-0.0011	0.0041	0.0003	-0.0093	-0.0124	-0.0929	0.0957	-0.0045	0.0017	-0.0010	0.0044	0.0005	-0.0050	-0.0117	0.0438	0.2781	-0.0185		
WFE	5	800	Bias	0.1809	-0.0302	1.4790	-0.2369	-1.5570	0.5706		0.1728	-0.0301	1.6181	-0.2501	-1.6929	0.5281		1.1884	2.5545	0.3815			
			RMSE	0.1814	0.0306	1.4818	0.2401	1.5600	0.5728		0.1734	0.0304	1.6211	0.2539	1.6968	0.5305		0.0079	0.0030	0.0079			
			Mbias	0.1810	-0.0301	1.4767	-0.2366	-1.5580	0.5698		0.1727	-0.0301	1.6159	-0.2500	-1.6922	0.5277		0.0079	0.0030	0.0079			
TWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0003	-0.0001	0.0001	0.0008	0.0006	-0.0012		0.0002	-0.0001	0.0001	-0.0006	0.0007	-0.0013	-0.0012		0.0000	-0.0002	0.0000		
			RMSE	0.0109	0.0041	0.0205	0.0103	0.0299	0.0253		0.0109	0.0041	0.0215	0.0110	0.0326	0.0253		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			
			Mbias	0.0004	-0.0002	-0.0005	0.0010	-0.0016	-0.0032		0.0004	-0.0002	0.0002	0.0011	-0.0018	-0.0032		0.0000	-0.0002	0.0000			
PWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0074	0.0029	0.0141	0.0069	0.0196	0.0171		0.0073	0.0029	0.0143	0.0074	0.0218	0.0171		1.1559	1.4028	0.1999			
			RMSE	0.0005	-0.0002	-0.0006	-0.0005	0.0001	-0.0021	2.1963	1.7196	0.1018	0.0003	-0.0001	0.0000	-0.0006	0.0002	-0.0020	1.5392	0.8897	0.0115		
			Mbias	0.0120	0.0042	0.0248	0.0156	0.0723	0.0254	5.7637	4.3262	0.2981	0.0118	0.0042	0.0261	0.0167	0.0482	0.0254	3.7583	2.6025	0.3032		
WFE	5	200	Bias	0.2257	-0.0333	6.9018	-0.3780	-5.0820	0.8925		0.2064	-0.0286	6.5419	-0.2866	-4.9425	0.7766		0.9349	0.6777	0.1157			
			RMSE	0.2316	0.0351	6.9604	0.5300	5.2213	0.9250		0.2122	0.0305	6.6099	0.4712	5.0851	0.8068		0.0025	0.0009	0.0025			
			Mbias	0.2268	-0.0334	6.8631	-0.3581	-5.1170	0.8737		0.2074	-0.0288	6.5006	-0.2695	-4.9821	0.7625		0.0015	0.0001	0.0015			
TWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0013	-0.0005	-0.0004	0.0021	-0.0104	-0.0056		0.0017	-0.0005	-0.0010	0.0023	-0.0160	-0.0057		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			
			RMSE	0.0210	0.0078	0.0378	0.0232	0.1014	0.0526		0.0208	0.0078	0.0409	0.0264	0.1141	0.0527		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			
			Mbias	0.0011	-0.0008	-0.0013	0.0023	-0.0097	-0.0089		0.0015	-0.0007	-0.0002	0.0030	-0.0144	-0.0088		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			
PWFE	5	200	Bias	0.0030	-0.0008	0.0056	-0.0126	-0.1158	-0.0097	2.1636	1.4176	0.0675	0.0030	-0.0007	0.0041	-0.0040	-0.0513	-0.0089	0.9349	0.6777	0.1157		
			RMSE	0.0244	0.0080	0.0480	0.0667	0.3215	0.0530	5.9421	4.3208	0.8604	0.0231	0.0079	0.0518	0.0576	0.1903	0.0529	2.9728	2.6813	0.7305		
			Mbias	0.0031	-0.0011	0.0038	-0.0027	-0.0407	-0.0131	-0.1092	0.0087	-0.0367	0.0025	-0.0009	0.0028	-0.0005	-0.0361	-0.0121	-0.0291	0.0077	-0.0311		
WFE	5	800	Bias	0.1565	-0.0195	11.2877	-1.4102	-7.0537	0.9802		0.1392	-0.0168	10.7103	-1.2560	-7.4590	0.9426		1.1559	1.4028	0.1999			
			RMSE	0.1609	0.0207	11.3646	1.4817	7.8633	0.9923		0.1437	0.0180	10.7934	1.3368	7.6825	0.9540		0.0079	0.0030	0.0079			
			Mbias	0.1589	-0.0199	11.2669	-1.4098	-7.7835	0.9758		0.1409	-0.0171	10.6479	-1.2566	-7.5171	0.9383		0.0079	0.0030	0.0079			
TWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0004	-0.0001	-0.0009	0.0008	-0.0044	-0.0012		0.0003	-0.0001	-0.0007	0.0009	-0.0041	-0.0012		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			
			RMSE	0.0107	0.0041	0.0196	0.0145	0.0650	0.0253		0.0106	0.0041	0.0206	0.0158	0.0722	0.0253		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			
			Mbias	0.0007	-0.0002	-0.0006	0.0013	-0.0032	-0.0032		0.0005	-0.0004	0.0013	-0.0041	-0.0033		0.0000	0.0000	0.0000				
PWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0073	0.0029	0.0133	0.0096	0.0434	0.0171		0.0071	0.0029	0.0138	0.0109	0.0481	0.0171		1.1559	1.4028	0.1999			
			RMSE	0.0004	-0.0002	-0.0005	-0.0046	-0.0699	-0.0023	2.2109	0.6187	0.0092	0.0005	-0.0002	-0.0011	-0.0045	-0.0201	-0.0021	0.7462	0.4318	0.0136		
			Mbias	0.0120	0.0041	0.0267	0.0384	0.2941	0.0254	6.0041	2.2832	0.2794	0.0116	0.0041	0.0276	0.0418	0.1551	0.0254	2.6925	1.7107	0.3022		
PWFE	5	800	Bias	0.0004	-0.0001	-0.0009	0.0009	0.0031	-0.0043	-0.1911	0.0635	-0.0053	0.0008	-0.0001	-0.0020	-0.0014	-0.0041	-0.0114	0.0516	-0.0088			
			RMSE	0.0120	0.0041	0.0267	0.0384	0.2941	0.0254	6.0041	2.2832	0.2794	0.0116	0.0041	0.0276	0.0418	0.1551	0.0254	2.6925	1.7107	0.3022		
			Mbias	0.0081	0.0030	0.0184	0.0231	0.0734	0.0175	1.3603	0.9589	0.1834	0.0079	0.0030	0.0187	0.0270	0.0713	0.0174	0.6273	0.8948	0.2062		

Table B.7: Simulation results for Case VIII:  $\rho = 0.01$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 2$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 10$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 3$

$\rho = 0.25$		Exponential: row normalized				Exponential: scalar normalized				Inverse-dis: row normalized				Inverse-dis: scalar normalized				
T	N	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1,1}$	$DE_{x_2,1}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	
WFE	5	Bias	0.0032	0.0017	0.2822	-0.1605	0.0037	0.0015	0.2615	-0.1608	0.0023	-0.0004	-0.1057	-0.2252	0.0026	-0.0003	-0.0498	-0.2046
		RMSE	0.0181	0.0079	0.3135	0.1664	0.0181	0.0079	0.2968	0.1674	0.0178	0.0077	0.3456	0.2397	0.0178	0.0077	0.3371	0.2208
	Mbias	0.0036	0.0016	0.2784	-0.1597	0.0038	0.0014	0.2577	-0.1607	0.0028	-0.0004	-0.1296	-0.2240	0.0032	-0.0003	-0.0639	-0.2023	
		0.0124	0.0054	0.2784	0.1597	0.0124	0.0053	0.2577	0.1607	0.0120	0.0054	0.2510	0.2240	0.0121	0.0054	0.2379	0.2023	
TWFE	5	Bias	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0011	0.0020	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0005	0.0020	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0041	0.0038	0.0176	0.0077	0.2628	0.0361
		RMSE	0.0177	0.0078	0.1006	0.0251	0.0177	0.0078	0.1041	0.0257	0.0177	0.0077	0.2658	0.0350	0.0176	0.0077	0.2628	0.0361
	Mbias	0.0002	-0.0003	-0.0007	0.0022	0.0004	-0.0003	0.0007	0.0031	0.0006	-0.0003	-0.0085	0.0052	0.0005	-0.0003	-0.0144	0.0061	
		0.0118	0.0055	0.0676	0.0160	0.0118	0.0055	0.0701	0.0166	0.0118	0.0054	0.1885	0.0226	0.0119	0.0054	0.1792	0.0231	
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0169	-0.0003	0.0003	-0.0002	0.0065	-0.0002	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0216	-0.0004	0.0002	-0.0003	0.0017	-0.0021
		RMSE	0.0178	0.0078	0.1654	0.0361	0.0177	0.0078	0.1670	0.0375	0.0177	0.0077	0.5060	0.0722	0.0176	0.0077	0.4767	0.0765
	Mbias	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0026	0.0015	0.0003	-0.0003	-0.0047	0.0015	0.0004	-0.0003	-0.0114	0.0080	0.0008	-0.0003	-0.0330	0.0085	
		0.0117	0.0055	0.1115	0.0245	0.0119	0.0055	0.1169	0.0250	0.0121	0.0054	0.3347	0.0457	0.0122	0.0054	0.3238	0.0510	
WFE	5	Bias	0.0015	0.0000	0.3563	-0.2173	-0.0003	0.0003	0.3396	-0.2031	-0.0001	0.0002	0.7475	-0.9149	-0.0027	-0.0006	0.4470	-0.7281
		RMSE	0.0092	0.0039	0.3644	0.2192	0.0093	0.0040	0.3487	0.2052	0.0090	0.0039	0.9747	0.9814	0.0096	0.0041	0.6961	0.7777
	Mbias	0.0015	0.0001	0.3555	-0.2179	-0.0001	0.0003	0.3433	-0.2030	0.0000	0.0001	0.6348	-0.8454	-0.0025	-0.0006	0.3618	-0.6734	
		0.0064	0.0026	0.3555	0.2179	0.0064	0.0028	0.3433	0.2030	0.0062	0.0026	0.6348	0.8454	0.0064	0.0028	0.3752	0.6734	
TWFE	5	Bias	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0016	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0001	0.0018	0.0007	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0012	-0.0001	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0057	0.0009
		RMSE	0.0091	0.0039	0.0534	0.0142	0.0093	0.0040	0.0559	0.0145	0.0090	0.0039	0.1929	0.0233	0.0092	0.0040	0.2150	0.0232
	Mbias	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	0.0002	0.0014	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0087	0.0001	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0042	0.0021	
		0.0064	0.0026	0.3361	0.0093	0.0064	0.0028	0.3396	0.0094	0.0062	0.0026	0.1314	0.0157	0.0063	0.0028	0.1439	0.0149	
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0040	-0.0019	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0001	-0.0007	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0023	-0.0069	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0214	-0.0061
		RMSE	0.0091	0.0039	0.0811	0.0224	0.0093	0.0040	0.0878	0.0218	0.0090	0.0039	0.3724	0.0582	0.0092	0.0040	0.4440	0.0561
	Mbias	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0007	-0.0022	0.0002	0.0000	0.0005	0.0003	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0289	0.0007	0.0003	-0.0001	-0.0090	-0.0006	
		0.0064	0.0026	0.0558	0.0157	0.0064	0.0028	0.0574	0.0143	0.0062	0.0026	0.2388	0.0359	0.0062	0.0028	0.3179	0.0344	
WFE	5	Bias	0.0003	0.0003	0.1014	-0.0725	0.0032	0.0007	0.1024	-0.0751	0.0035	-0.0022	-0.0716	-0.1131	0.0038	-0.0020	-0.0216	-0.1047
		RMSE	0.0176	0.0078	0.1230	0.0762	0.0179	0.0078	0.1266	0.0792	0.0179	0.0080	0.1943	0.1229	0.0179	0.0079	0.1891	0.1158
	Mbias	0.0017	0.0001	0.0997	-0.0728	0.0037	0.0007	0.1019	-0.0759	0.0039	-0.0023	-0.0779	-0.1125	0.0040	-0.0020	-0.0193	-0.1038	
		0.0123	0.0054	0.1001	0.0728	0.0122	0.0054	0.1025	0.0759	0.0121	0.0057	0.1390	0.1125	0.0122	0.0057	0.1312	0.1038	
TWFE	5	Bias	0.0000	-0.0003	0.0021	0.0012	0.0000	-0.0003	0.0015	0.0012	0.0000	-0.0003	0.0012	0.0020	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0004	0.0020
		RMSE	0.0176	0.0078	0.0594	0.0156	0.0176	0.0077	0.0624	0.0163	0.0175	0.0077	0.1560	0.0207	0.0175	0.0077	0.1564	0.0216
	Mbias	0.0006	-0.0004	0.0001	0.0017	0.0005	-0.0003	0.0015	0.0022	0.0003	-0.0003	0.0018	0.0030	0.0005	-0.0003	-0.0030	0.0029	
		0.0121	0.0055	0.0401	0.0100	0.0120	0.0055	0.0421	0.0107	0.0118	0.0054	0.1094	0.0138	0.0118	0.0054	0.1087	0.0139	
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0000	-0.0004	-0.0014	0.0015	0.0002	-0.0004	0.0044	-0.0001	0.0003	-0.0004	0.0285	0.0014	0.0002	-0.0004	0.0185	-0.0011
		RMSE	0.0176	0.0078	0.0943	0.0218	0.0176	0.0078	0.0980	0.0233	0.0175	0.0077	0.2949	0.0427	0.0175	0.0077	0.2959	0.0459
	Mbias	0.0005	-0.0005	-0.0050	0.0023	0.0007	-0.0004	0.0040	0.0007	0.0006	-0.0005	0.0005	0.0062	0.0004	-0.0004	-0.0046	0.0044	
		0.0119	0.0055	0.0659	0.0150	0.0120	0.0055	0.0682	0.0154	0.0121	0.0055	0.1930	0.0274	0.0120	0.0054	0.2033	0.0309	
WFE	5	Bias	0.0005	-0.0007	0.1181	-0.0877	0.0003	-0.0008	0.1225	-0.0889	-0.0018	-0.0015	0.1045	-0.2711	-0.0027	-0.0011	0.1384	-0.2693
		RMSE	0.0092	0.0041	0.1244	0.0889	0.0092	0.0041	0.1290	0.0902	0.0093	0.0043	0.2321	0.2780	0.0096	0.0042	0.2544	0.2768
	Mbias	0.0008	-0.0007	0.1186	-0.0871	0.0006	-0.0008	0.1249	-0.0886	-0.0016	-0.0015	0.0927	-0.2683	-0.0026	-0.0011	0.1184	-0.2645	
		0.0063	0.0028	0.1186	0.0871	0.0062	0.0029	0.1249	0.0886	0.0063	0.0029	0.1447	0.2683	0.0065	0.0029	0.1637	0.2645	
TWFE	5	Bias	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0015	0.0005	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0011	0.0005	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0043	0.0006	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0035	0.0006
		RMSE	0.0092	0.0041	0.0331	0.0059	0.0092	0.0040	0.0338	0.0092	0.0092	0.0040	0.1223	0.0131	0.0092	0.0040	0.1260	0.0135
	Mbias	0.0003	-0.0001	-0.0016	0.0009	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0005	0.0010	0.0003	-0.0001	0.0008	0.0014	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0007	0.0011	
		0.0063	0.0028	0.0225	0.0059	0.0062	0.0028	0.0236	0.0061	0.0061	0.0028	0.0802	0.0085	0.0060	0.0027	0.0815	0.0090	
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0021	-0.0001	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0009	-0.0006	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0040	0.0020	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0211	-0.0032
		RMSE	0.0092	0.0041	0.0512	0.0132	0.0092	0.0040	0.0526	0.0136	0.0092	0.0040	0.2736	0.0315	0.0092	0.0040	0.2717	0.0328
	Mbias	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0013	0.0007	0.0002	-0.0001	0.0017	0.0000	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0191	0.0062	0.0003	-0.0001	0.0041	-0.0007	
		0.0063	0.0029	0.0336	0.0088	0.0062	0.0028	0.0346	0.0090	0.0061	0.0027	0.1953	0.0202	0.0061	0.0027	0.1924	0.0205	

Table B.8: Direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  for Case II and III using the parameter estimates in Table B.1 and B.2

		$\sigma_2 = 1$				$\sigma_2 = 0.5$												
T	N	Exponential: row normalized		Exponential: scalar normalized		Inverse-dis: row normalized		Inverse-dis: scalar normalized										
		$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$									
WFE	5	0.0069	-0.0013	0.9266	0.0346	0.0057	-0.0007	0.8169	0.0532	0.0080	0.0011	1.7971	0.2749	0.0077	0.0012	1.5994	0.2526	
		RMSE	0.0193	0.0086	0.9744	0.0898	0.0196	0.0081	0.8660	0.0955	0.0198	0.0083	2.0942	0.3537	0.0203	0.0079	1.8386	0.3144
		Mbias	0.0063	-0.0016	0.9225	0.0351	0.0056	-0.0009	0.8024	0.0549	0.0082	0.0011	1.6703	0.2566	0.0081	0.0011	1.5392	0.2420
		Mbias	0.0132	0.0058	0.9225	0.0593	0.0135	0.0056	0.8024	0.0654	0.0139	0.0057	1.6703	0.2574	0.0139	0.0054	1.5392	0.2427
		Bias	-0.0001	-0.0004	-0.0092	-0.0009	0.0003	-0.0002	-0.0029	0.0057	-0.0002	-0.0004	-0.0432	-0.0043	0.0002	-0.0003	-0.0195	0.0103
		RMSE	0.0178	0.0085	0.1639	0.0698	0.0185	0.0081	0.1587	0.0681	0.0172	0.0081	0.4174	0.1514	0.0180	0.0078	0.3839	0.1409
PWFE	5	0.0007	-0.0007	-0.0094	-0.0012	0.0003	-0.0004	-0.0080	0.0054	-0.0003	-0.0005	-0.0637	-0.0020	0.0004	-0.0003	-0.0283	0.0044	
		Mbias	0.0122	0.0058	0.1165	0.0430	0.0125	0.0056	0.1049	0.0431	0.0121	0.0055	0.2914	0.0987	0.0121	0.0054	0.2510	0.0914
		Bias	-0.0001	-0.0003	0.0033	-0.0150	0.0002	-0.0003	0.0037	-0.0048	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0285	-0.0073	0.0005	-0.0002	0.0541	0.0153
		RMSE	0.0179	0.0085	0.2506	0.1173	0.0186	0.0081	0.2437	0.1186	0.0180	0.0081	0.9371	0.2048	0.0182	0.0078	0.8141	0.1858
		Mbias	0.0000	-0.0007	0.0083	-0.0078	0.0004	-0.0005	-0.0177	0.0028	0.0000	-0.0004	-0.0711	-0.0138	0.0009	-0.0002	-0.0640	0.0115
		Mbias	0.0127	0.0057	0.1753	0.0789	0.0124	0.0056	0.1766	0.0774	0.0124	0.0055	0.6028	0.1278	0.0124	0.0054	0.5604	0.1234
WFE	5	0.0035	-0.0004	0.9177	0.0188	0.0028	0.0003	0.9781	0.0288	0.0028	0.0006	2.7079	0.4255	0.0029	0.0004	2.3958	0.3045	
		RMSE	0.0101	0.0041	0.9319	0.0550	0.0101	0.0042	0.9927	0.0594	0.0095	0.0039	2.9968	0.5466	0.0098	0.0041	2.6316	0.4155
		Mbias	0.0034	-0.0003	0.9107	0.0193	0.0029	0.0004	0.9863	0.0312	0.0023	0.0006	2.5046	0.4126	0.0029	0.0003	2.2509	0.2944
		Mbias	0.0067	0.0026	0.9107	0.0359	0.0067	0.0029	0.9863	0.0412	0.0063	0.0026	2.5046	0.4192	0.0066	0.0028	2.2509	0.3019
		Bias	-0.0004	0.0002	-0.0080	-0.0005	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0033	0.0013	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0362	0.0060	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0183	0.0037
		RMSE	0.0094	0.0040	0.0870	0.0422	0.0097	0.0042	0.0843	0.0418	0.0090	0.0038	0.3114	0.1980	0.0093	0.0040	0.3222	0.1756
PWFE	5	0.0003	0.0003	-0.0107	-0.0004	0.0001	0.0000	0.0018	0.0026	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0463	0.0125	0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0324	0.0044	
		Mbias	0.0065	0.0025	0.0600	0.0264	0.0066	0.0029	0.0592	0.0276	0.0061	0.0024	0.2123	0.1358	0.0064	0.0028	0.2156	0.1208
		Bias	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0054	-0.0059	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0033	-0.0050	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0631	-0.0048	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0627	-0.0090
		RMSE	0.0094	0.0040	0.1268	0.0697	0.0097	0.0042	0.1294	0.0692	0.0090	0.0038	0.5476	0.2997	0.0093	0.0040	0.6448	0.2374
		Mbias	-0.0003	0.0003	-0.0099	-0.0029	0.0001	0.0000	-0.0024	-0.0018	-0.0002	0.0002	-0.1037	0.0058	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0470	0.0010
		Mbias	0.0066	0.0025	0.0865	0.0443	0.0065	0.0029	0.0831	0.0464	0.0061	0.0024	0.3538	0.2111	0.0064	0.0028	0.4471	0.1622
WFE	5	0.0000	1.0689	0.3634	0.0067	0.0006	0.9768	0.3519	0.0132	0.0021	2.7834	0.5863	0.0117	0.0018	2.3873	0.4997		
		RMSE	0.0204	0.0081	1.1145	0.3713	0.0199	0.0081	1.0266	0.3611	0.0236	0.0082	3.0805	0.6459	0.0224	0.0081	2.6441	0.5565
		Mbias	0.0073	-0.0002	1.0474	0.3655	0.0065	0.0005	0.9603	0.3548	0.0133	0.0019	2.5985	0.5618	0.0122	0.0016	2.2590	0.4848
		Mbias	0.0140	0.0056	1.0474	0.3655	0.0137	0.0055	0.9603	0.3548	0.0162	0.0055	2.5985	0.5618	0.0154	0.0054	2.2590	0.4848
		Bias	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0028	0.0087	0.0003	-0.0003	-0.0032	0.0083	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0241	0.0027	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0257	0.0015
		RMSE	0.0188	0.0081	0.1549	0.1055	0.0185	0.0081	0.1560	0.1114	0.0181	0.0078	0.4014	0.1622	0.0180	0.0078	0.3916	0.1613
PWFE	5	0.0003	-0.0002	-0.0069	0.0029	0.0002	-0.0003	-0.0082	0.0060	0.0004	-0.0004	-0.0334	0.0033	0.0005	-0.0004	-0.0417	0.0037	
		Mbias	0.0125	0.0057	0.1026	0.0686	0.0125	0.0057	0.1019	0.0721	0.0122	0.0054	0.2586	0.1089	0.0121	0.0054	0.2602	0.1079
		Bias	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0101	-0.0089	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0082	0.0015	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0192	0.0020	0.0005	-0.0003	0.0494	0.0069
		RMSE	0.0188	0.0081	0.2360	0.1637	0.0185	0.0081	0.2430	0.1571	0.0184	0.0078	0.8791	0.1945	0.0183	0.0078	0.8204	0.1872
		Mbias	0.0005	-0.0002	-0.0249	-0.0079	0.0002	-0.0005	-0.0284	0.0032	0.0003	-0.0002	-0.1059	-0.0112	0.0009	-0.0002	-0.0749	0.0013
		Mbias	0.0125	0.0057	0.1721	0.1117	0.0125	0.0056	0.1733	0.1050	0.0124	0.0054	0.5873	0.1266	0.0124	0.0054	0.5474	0.1218
WFE	5	0.0030	0.0001	0.9395	0.3753	0.0029	0.0004	0.9494	0.3641	0.0034	0.0008	3.0886	1.0502	0.0030	0.0007	2.7388	0.8996	
		RMSE	0.0099	0.0041	0.9532	0.3786	0.0068	0.0041	0.9645	0.3677	0.0099	0.0041	3.3894	1.1438	0.0097	0.0040	3.0303	0.8976
		Mbias	0.0031	0.0002	0.9350	0.3742	0.0029	0.0004	0.9419	0.3632	0.0031	0.0009	2.8755	0.9919	0.0027	0.0007	2.5187	0.8547
		Mbias	0.0069	0.0027	0.9350	0.3742	0.0069	0.0027	0.9419	0.3632	0.0067	0.0027	2.8755	0.9919	0.0067	0.0026	2.5187	0.8547
		Bias	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0017	-0.0027	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0022	-0.0032	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0140	-0.0097	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0146	-0.0099
		RMSE	0.0094	0.0041	0.0820	0.0744	0.0094	0.0041	0.0820	0.0770	0.0091	0.0039	0.2861	0.3063	0.0091	0.0039	0.2952	0.2954
PWFE	5	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0011	-0.0030	0.0003	-0.0003	0.0010	-0.0057	0.0000	-0.0002	-0.0225	-0.0031	0.0000	-0.0002	-0.0303	-0.0094	
		Mbias	0.0064	0.0028	0.0571	0.0514	0.0064	0.0028	0.0557	0.0550	0.0063	0.0027	0.2026	0.2074	0.0063	0.0027	0.2071	0.2012
		Bias	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0000	-0.0245	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0011	-0.0219	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0730	-0.0208	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0377	-0.0136
		RMSE	0.0095	0.0041	0.1208	0.1316	0.0094	0.0041	0.1207	0.1302	0.0091	0.0039	0.5361	0.3393	0.0091	0.0039	0.5414	0.3283
		Mbias	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0051	-0.0203	0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0023	-0.0133	0.0002	-0.0003	-0.1206	-0.0157	0.0001	-0.0004	-0.0810	-0.0107
		Mbias	0.0065	0.0028	0.0816	0.0815	0.0065	0.0028	0.0827	0.0819	0.0062	0.0027	0.3693	0.2376	0.0063	0.0027	0.3648	0.2289

Table B.9: Direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  for Case V and VI using the parameter estimates in Table B.4 and B.5

$\rho = 0.01$		Exponential: row normalized				Exponential: scalar normalized				Inverse-dis: row normalized				Inverse-dis: scalar normalized					
T	N	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$	$DE_{x_1}$	$DE_{x_2}$	$IE_{x_1}$	$IE_{x_2}$		
WFE	5	Bias	0.0019	0.0018	-0.1659	-0.1047	0.0031	0.0014	0.1612	-0.1067	0.003	-0.001	-0.280	-0.154	0.0033	-0.0011	-0.0274	-0.1414	
		RMSE	0.0176	0.0073	0.1905	0.1091	0.0177	0.0078	0.1889	0.1117	0.018	0.008	0.050	0.165	0.0178	0.0077	0.2454	0.1544	
	Mbias	0.0021	0.0011	0.1620	-0.1050	0.0032	0.0013	0.1597	-0.1071	0.003	-0.001	-0.090	-0.154	0.0037	-0.0012	-0.0310	-0.1415		
		Mabias	0.0119	0.0053	0.1620	0.1050	0.0124	0.0053	0.1597	0.1071	0.012	0.005	0.178	0.154	0.0121	0.0054	0.1723	0.1415	
	TWFE	5	Bias	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0018	0.0015	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0012	0.0015	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0024	0.0027
			RMSE	0.0175	0.0077	0.0752	0.0191	0.0175	0.0077	0.0785	0.0198	0.018	0.008	0.199	0.026	0.0175	0.0077	0.1983	0.0272
Mbias		0.0004	-0.0004	0.0004	0.0021	0.0004	-0.0003	0.0014	0.0023	0.000	0.000	-0.001	0.004	0.0003	-0.0004	-0.0042	0.0043		
		Mabias	0.0118	0.0053	0.0516	0.0124	0.0118	0.0054	0.0532	0.0130	0.012	0.005	0.140	0.017	0.0117	0.0054	0.1377	0.0172	
PWFE		5	Bias	0.0002	-0.0003	0.0077	0.0002	0.0002	-0.0003	0.0052	0.0000	0.000	0.000	0.034	0.000	0.0002	-0.0003	0.0097	-0.0010
			RMSE	0.0175	0.0077	0.1157	0.0271	0.0175	0.0077	0.1117	0.0283	0.018	0.008	0.377	0.054	0.0175	0.0077	0.3423	0.0571
Mbias	0.0001	-0.0004	0.0017	0.0007	0.0002	-0.0004	0.0018	0.0006	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.006	0.0006	-0.0004	-0.0116	0.0043		
	Mabias	0.0116	0.0054	0.0822	0.0181	0.0117	0.0054	0.0783	0.0189	0.012	0.005	0.241	0.034	0.0119	0.0054	0.2342	0.0371		
WFE	5	Bias	0.0011	0.0001	0.2106	-0.1394	0.0007	0.0000	0.1994	-0.1406	0.009	0.000	0.367	-0.508	-0.0001	0.0000	0.3170	-0.4859	
		RMSE	0.0091	0.0038	0.2169	0.1408	0.0091	0.0038	0.2064	0.1421	0.009	0.004	0.480	0.526	0.0090	0.0039	0.4445	0.5045	
	Mbias	0.0011	0.0001	0.2105	-0.1397	0.0007	-0.0001	0.1990	-0.1409	0.000	0.000	0.332	-0.487	-0.0001	0.0000	0.2875	-0.4646		
		Mabias	0.0063	0.0026	0.2105	0.1397	0.0062	0.0026	0.1990	0.1409	0.006	0.003	0.332	0.487	0.0061	0.0026	0.2912	0.4646	
	TWFE	5	Bias	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0013	-0.0001	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0015	0.0000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0016	0.0000
			RMSE	0.0090	0.0038	0.0401	0.0108	0.0090	0.0038	0.0414	0.0110	0.009	0.004	0.142	0.017	0.0090	0.0038	0.1494	0.0173
Mbias		0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0002	0.0001	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0004	0.0000	0.000	0.000	-0.007	0.000	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0026	-0.0001		
		Mabias	0.0062	0.0026	0.0270	0.0073	0.0062	0.0026	0.0272	0.0074	0.006	0.003	0.097	0.011	0.0062	0.0026	0.1039	0.0116	
PWFE		5	Bias	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0024	-0.0015	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0029	-0.0014	0.000	0.000	-0.001	-0.003	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0036	-0.0050
			RMSE	0.0090	0.0038	0.0592	0.0171	0.0090	0.0038	0.0569	0.0169	0.009	0.004	0.268	0.044	0.0090	0.0038	0.2704	0.0437
Mbias	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0017	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0020	-0.0011	0.000	0.000	-0.018	0.002	0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0183	-0.0017			
	Mabias	0.0062	0.0026	0.0396	0.0118	0.0062	0.0026	0.0383	0.0115	0.006	0.003	0.180	0.029	0.0062	0.0026	0.1795	0.0279		
WFE	5	Bias	0.0013	0.0022	0.8150	-0.1248	0.0126	0.0017	0.7742	-0.1240	0.0336	0.0030	1.5438	-0.2439	0.0284	0.0020	1.5974	-0.2519	
		RMSE	0.0162	0.0046	0.8221	0.1298	0.0157	0.0043	0.7819	0.1291	0.0351	0.0049	1.7180	0.3009	0.0301	0.0044	1.7714	0.3065	
	Mbias	0.0131	0.0023	0.8102	-0.1241	0.0125	0.0018	0.7687	-0.1227	0.0336	0.0031	1.3954	-0.2127	0.0286	0.0021	1.4534	-0.2227		
		Mabias	0.0132	0.0032	0.8102	0.1241	0.0126	0.0030	0.7687	0.1227	0.0336	0.0036	1.3954	0.2127	0.0286	0.0031	1.4534	0.2227	
	PWFE	5	Bias	-0.0004	0.0002	-0.0043	0.0001	-0.0004	0.0002	-0.0045	0.0002	-0.003	0.0002	-0.020	-0.0008	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0019	-0.0007
			RMSE	0.0094	0.0040	0.0581	0.0225	0.0093	0.0040	0.0574	0.0219	0.0090	0.0038	0.1173	0.0388	0.0090	0.0038	0.1151	0.0382
Mbias	0.0004	0.0002	-0.0051	0.0008	-0.0005	0.0002	-0.0057	0.0011	-0.002	0.0002	-0.0114	0.0222	-0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0104	0.0028			
	Mabias	0.0064	0.0025	0.0413	0.0145	0.0063	0.0025	0.0401	0.0141	0.0061	0.0024	0.0810	0.0259	0.0062	0.0024	0.0811	0.0247		
PWFE	5	Bias	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0011	-0.0021	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0016	-0.0020	-0.003	0.0002	0.0066	-0.0006	-0.0003	0.0002	0.0023	-0.0113	
		RMSE	0.0094	0.0040	0.0717	0.0328	0.0094	0.0040	0.0658	0.0319	0.0090	0.0038	0.2180	0.0873	0.0090	0.0038	0.2132	0.0847	
Mbias	0.0004	0.0002	-0.0068	-0.0003	-0.0004	0.0002	-0.0039	-0.0004	-0.0004	-0.004	0.0003	-0.0282	-0.0034	-0.0003	0.0002	-0.0094	-0.0012		
	Mabias	0.0066	0.0025	0.0492	0.0215	0.0066	0.0025	0.0445	0.0216	0.0062	0.0024	1.1458	0.0558	0.0062	0.0024	0.8888	0.0534		

Table B.10: Direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  for Case IV and VII using the parameter estimates in Table B.3 and B.6

$\rho = 0.01$		Exponential: row normalized			Exponential: scalar normalized			Inverse-dis: row normalized			Inverse-dis: scalar normalized							
WFE	5	Bias	0.0074	-0.0003	0.3225	-0.0257	0.0122	0.0077	0.3182	-0.0271	0.0297	-0.0088	0.7609	0.0261	0.0292	-0.0072	0.7832	0.0225
		RMSE	0.0190	0.0077	0.3319	0.0364	0.0213	0.0077	0.3294	0.0385	0.0350	0.0121	0.8026	0.0671	0.0346	0.0109	0.8248	0.0677
		Mbias	0.0074	-0.0007	0.3215	-0.0264	0.0120	0.0006	0.3161	-0.0272	0.0303	-0.0091	0.7269	0.0265	0.0300	-0.0074	0.7531	0.0219
TWFE	5	Bias	0.0133	0.0054	0.3215	0.0276	0.0153	0.0052	0.3161	0.0286	0.0303	0.0094	0.7269	0.0455	0.0300	0.0081	0.7531	0.0468
		RMSE	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0015	0.0012	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0007	0.0013	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0012	0.0017	0.0001	-0.0003	0.0000	0.0019
		Mbias	0.0175	0.0077	0.0490	0.0189	0.0175	0.0077	0.0497	0.0198	0.0175	0.0077	0.0657	0.0261	0.0175	0.0077	0.0650	0.0274
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0004	-0.0003	-0.0001	0.0018	0.0004	-0.0003	0.0004	0.0019	0.0005	-0.0004	-0.0030	0.0027	0.0004	-0.0004	-0.0037	0.0028
		RMSE	0.0119	0.0053	0.0317	0.0122	0.0118	0.0054	0.0333	0.0127	0.0119	0.0054	0.0433	0.0173	0.0118	0.0054	0.0433	0.0174
		Mbias	0.0001	-0.0002	0.0032	0.0001	0.0002	-0.0002	0.0059	-0.0005	0.0000	-0.0003	-0.0160	-0.0022	0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0019	-0.0026
WFE	5	Bias	0.0175	0.0077	0.0733	0.0270	0.0175	0.0077	0.0633	0.0284	0.0175	0.0077	0.1230	0.0540	0.0175	0.0077	0.0888	0.0551
		RMSE	0.0004	-0.0003	0.0031	0.0001	0.0006	-0.0002	0.0049	0.0002	0.0002	-0.0003	-0.0105	0.0028	0.0005	-0.0003	-0.0053	0.0009
		Mbias	0.0118	0.0054	0.0473	0.0182	0.0118	0.0054	0.0432	0.0183	0.0117	0.0054	0.0731	0.0351	0.0118	0.0054	0.0554	0.0357
TWFE	5	Bias	0.0156	0.0008	0.3282	-0.0442	0.0151	-0.0009	0.3249	-0.0414	0.0301	0.0008	0.8939	-0.0836	0.0252	0.0011	0.8923	-0.0819
		RMSE	0.0181	0.0041	0.3310	0.0472	0.0177	0.0041	0.3280	0.0448	0.0321	0.0045	0.9357	0.1059	0.0276	0.0045	0.9376	0.1062
		Mbias	0.0159	0.0009	0.3291	-0.0437	0.0154	-0.0009	0.3274	-0.0412	0.0307	0.0010	0.8366	-0.0768	0.0260	0.0014	0.8421	-0.0745
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0159	0.0029	0.3291	0.0437	0.0154	0.0029	0.3274	0.0412	0.0307	0.0031	0.8366	0.0773	0.0260	0.0032	0.8421	0.0752
		RMSE	-0.0001	-0.0007	0.0006	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0003	0.0006	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0004	0.0007	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0003	0.0006	0.0000
		Mbias	0.0092	0.0040	0.0261	0.0109	0.0092	0.0040	0.0263	0.0112	0.0092	0.0040	0.0396	0.0166	0.0092	0.0040	0.0400	0.0173
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0007	0.0011	0.0002	-0.0001	0.0006	0.0010	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0020	0.0022	0.0003	-0.0001	0.0005	0.0016
		RMSE	0.0061	0.0027	0.0183	0.0072	0.0061	0.0028	0.0187	0.0073	0.0061	0.0027	0.0275	0.0109	0.0061	0.0028	0.0282	0.0113
		Mbias	-0.0001	0.0023	-0.0009	0.0000	-0.0001	0.0014	-0.0008	0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0049	-0.0025	-0.0001	-0.0001	0.0005	-0.0050	0.0436
PWFE	5	Bias	0.0092	0.0040	0.0401	0.0164	0.0092	0.0040	0.0332	0.0166	0.0092	0.0040	0.1174	0.0425	0.0092	0.0040	0.0757	0.0436
		RMSE	0.0003	-0.0001	0.0017	-0.0001	0.0002	-0.0001	0.0021	0.0001	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0045	0.0030	0.0002	-0.0001	-0.0031	-0.0003
		Mbias	0.0061	0.0027	0.0263	0.0103	0.0061	0.0028	0.0230	0.0108	0.0062	0.0028	0.0457	0.0265	0.0062	0.0028	0.0375	0.0266

Table B.11: Direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  for Case VIII using the parameter estimates in Table B.7



Settings			Negative exponential: row normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.1784	0.3733	0.0028	0.0002	0.0440				0.5371	0.5171	0.0866	0.0033
			Std	0.2341	0.2987	0.0216	0.0014	0.1102					0.2767	0.2799	0.1758
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4903	0.4972	0.5105	0.5088	0.4921				0.5261	0.5143	0.4814	0.4986
			Std	0.2890	0.2805	0.2879	0.2834	0.2883				0.2796	0.2801	0.2979	0.2947
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4761	0.4949	0.4870	0.4988	0.4661	0.5313	0.4741	0.5036	0.4917	0.4951	0.4840	0.4966
			Std	0.2913	0.2838	0.2890	0.2852	0.3032	0.2884	0.2951	0.2798	0.2904	0.2861	0.2878	0.2886
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0634	0.1706	0.0000	0.0000	0.0044				0.5360	0.5271	0.0001	0.0000
			Std	0.1342	0.2298	0.0000	0.0000	0.0371				0.2804	0.2740	0.0011	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4783	0.5037	0.5088	0.5076	0.5075				0.5248	0.5197	0.4773	0.4931
			Std	0.2869	0.2861	0.2819	0.2856	0.2918				0.2844	0.2770	0.2911	0.2862
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4766	0.4998	0.4914	0.4835	0.4714	0.4834	0.4707	0.4974	0.4946	0.5032	0.4945	0.4826
			Std	0.2912	0.2846	0.2863	0.2898	0.2962	0.2991	0.2873	0.2980	0.2932	0.2817	0.2888	0.2863
			Negative exponential: scalar normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.2358	0.4058	0.0093	0.0005	0.0718				0.5297	0.5139	0.1156	0.0062
			Std	0.2745	0.3002	0.0499	0.0033	0.1512				0.2800	0.2792	0.2083	0.0289
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4892	0.4962	0.5075	0.5125	0.4949				0.5231	0.5117	0.4728	0.5015
			Std	0.2872	0.2816	0.2936	0.2884	0.2920				0.2812	0.2806	0.2969	0.2943
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4832	0.4937	0.4961	0.5017	0.5758	0.6133	0.4864	0.5081	0.4928	0.4948	0.4779	0.4991
			Std	0.2878	0.2839	0.2865	0.2854	0.2682	0.2497	0.2927	0.2818	0.2908	0.2855	0.2889	0.2892
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.1395	0.2566	0.0000	0.0000	0.0168				0.5392	0.5090	0.0003	0.0000
			Std	0.2186	0.2770	0.0000	0.0000	0.0600				0.2838	0.2823	0.0022	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5024	0.4827	0.5028	0.4972	0.5050				0.5248	0.5032	0.4725	0.4923
			Std	0.2880	0.2840	0.2898	0.2914	0.2871				0.2883	0.2837	0.2954	0.2954
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5001	0.4835	0.5098	0.4901	0.6023	0.6214	0.4982	0.4921	0.4980	0.4874	0.5038	0.4905
			Std	0.2894	0.2868	0.2893	0.2871	0.2548	0.2449	0.2926	0.2931	0.2960	0.2882	0.2907	0.2890
			Inverse distance: row normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.3435	0.3543	0.2951	0.0044	0.0289				0.5078	0.5141	0.3294	0.0341
			Std	0.3038	0.2933	0.2930	0.0262	0.1124				0.2835	0.2786	0.3144	0.0873
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4903	0.4988	0.5016	0.5081	0.4957				0.4979	0.5087	0.4562	0.4994
			Std	0.2893	0.2802	0.2895	0.2833	0.2865				0.2885	0.2817	0.2942	0.2960
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4837	0.4892	0.4925	0.4916	0.4163	0.6217	0.4951	0.5003	0.4899	0.4945	0.4912	0.4833
			Std	0.2912	0.2803	0.2987	0.2940	0.3195	0.2741	0.2991	0.2905	0.2897	0.2835	0.3100	0.2995
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4378	0.3887	0.0056	0.0000	0.0855				0.5082	0.5160	0.0855	0.0000
			Std	0.2964	0.3016	0.0521	0.0000	0.2016				0.2904	0.2780	0.1896	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4890	0.5022	0.4989	0.5066	0.5076				0.4976	0.5121	0.4554	0.4839
			Std	0.2928	0.2845	0.2794	0.2882	0.2873				0.2934	0.2766	0.2958	0.2933
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4874	0.4997	0.4967	0.4855	0.4527	0.5485	0.4975	0.5050	0.4953	0.5017	0.4991	0.4914
			Std	0.2919	0.2828	0.2916	0.2846	0.3240	0.2783	0.2931	0.2920	0.2936	0.2789	0.2987	0.2911
			Inverse distance: scalar normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.3706	0.3952	0.3154	0.0203	0.0476				0.5052	0.5113	0.3412	0.0617
			Std	0.3053	0.2969	0.3030	0.0710	0.1425				0.2844	0.2796	0.3049	0.1275
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4907	0.4983	0.4976	0.5111	0.4983				0.4991	0.5056	0.4557	0.4989
			Std	0.2887	0.2815	0.2918	0.2874	0.2919				0.2887	0.2821	0.2952	0.2927
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4869	0.4922	0.5261	0.5034	0.6069	0.6963	0.5108	0.5109	0.4903	0.4945	0.5045	0.4912
			Std	0.2873	0.2830	0.2860	0.2939	0.2626	0.2229	0.2835	0.2830	0.2886	0.2840	0.2997	0.2986
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4881	0.3836	0.0862	0.0000	0.0993				0.4939	0.4946	0.2205	0.0000
			Std	0.2884	0.3050	0.1911	0.0000	0.2150				0.2927	0.2845	0.2782	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4986	0.4836	0.5087	0.4946	0.5104				0.4984	0.4968	0.4708	0.4919
			Std	0.2938	0.2862	0.2868	0.2902	0.2896				0.2937	0.2859	0.2993	0.2976
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4969	0.4826	0.4875	0.4932	0.6886	0.7536	0.4913	0.4875	0.4959	0.4866	0.4782	0.5006
			Std	0.2915	0.2859	0.2857	0.2966	0.2271	0.1913	0.2832	0.2824	0.2926	0.2890	0.2924	0.2945

Table B.12: Case II: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table B.1) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table B.8, upper panel)

Settings				Negative exponential: row normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(-0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0450	0.2758	0.0026	0.0001	0.0000					0.5937	0.5423	0.1816	0.0142
			Std	0.1052	0.2786	0.0244	0.0010	0.0000						0.2570	0.2687	0.2542
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4883	0.4984	0.5104	0.5100	0.4962					0.5665	0.5275	0.4904	0.5059
			Std	0.2854	0.2831	0.2875	0.2865	0.2928					0.2688	0.2750	0.2932	0.2905
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4728	0.4966	0.4858	0.5012	0.4509	0.4764	0.4778	0.5009	0.4941	0.4922	0.4774	0.4926	
			Std	0.2925	0.2858	0.2874	0.2828	0.2943	0.3221	0.2948	0.2892	0.2931	0.2840	0.2929	0.2915	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0059	0.1132	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.5862	0.5264	0.0116	0.0000
			Std	0.0271	0.1833	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.2586	0.2758	0.0497	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5034	0.4826	0.4959	0.5055	0.5081					0.5608	0.5165	0.4775	0.4983
			Std	0.2828	0.2825	0.2830	0.2950	0.2893					0.2696	0.2802	0.2895	0.2944
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4997	0.4854	0.4973	0.4963	0.4776	0.4606	0.4930	0.4914	0.4932	0.4855	0.4933	0.4912	
			Std	0.2932	0.2882	0.2893	0.2916	0.2924	0.2938	0.2957	0.2968	0.2907	0.2893	0.2927	0.2928	
				Negative exponential: scalar normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(-0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0765	0.3300	0.0081	0.0004	0.0001					0.5818	0.5365	0.1893	0.0181
			Std	0.1436	0.2943	0.0503	0.0032	0.0010					0.2606	0.2706	0.2594	0.0712
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4878	0.4962	0.5070	0.5137	0.4977					0.5624	0.5250	0.4877	0.5111
			Std	0.2831	0.2829	0.2907	0.2892	0.2910					0.2702	0.2763	0.2924	0.2922
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4859	0.4919	0.4970	0.5037	0.6381	0.6465	0.5037	0.5071	0.4934	0.4929	0.4857	0.5008	
			Std	0.2845	0.2800	0.2823	0.2849	0.2341	0.2356	0.2990	0.2890	0.2929	0.2848	0.2896	0.2896	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0127	0.1358	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.5822	0.5218	0.0117	0.0000
			Std	0.0464	0.2030	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.2612	0.2776	0.0525	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5045	0.4823	0.5029	0.4984	0.5074					0.5571	0.5150	0.4855	0.4911
			Std	0.2858	0.2825	0.2891	0.2913	0.2896					0.2712	0.2805	0.2931	0.2900
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5048	0.4841	0.5075	0.4890	0.6513	0.6556	0.4951	0.4915	0.4935	0.4853	0.5010	0.4900	
			Std	0.2856	0.2825	0.2886	0.2870	0.2307	0.2298	0.2907	0.2950	0.2908	0.2892	0.2898	0.2880	
				Inverse distance: row normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(-0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.2006	0.3041	0.2148	0.0033	0.0006					0.5290	0.5103	0.2968	0.0403
			Std	0.2616	0.2893	0.2746	0.0359	0.0120					0.2777	0.2806	0.3126	0.1171
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4896	0.5000	0.5013	0.5101	0.4978					0.5166	0.5155	0.4672	0.4996
			Std	0.2890	0.2807	0.2885	0.2855	0.2913					0.2856	0.2785	0.2932	0.2935
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4792	0.4890	0.4789	0.4959	0.3965	0.4296	0.4847	0.4855	0.4920	0.4930	0.4758	0.4673	
			Std	0.2918	0.2811	0.2916	0.2922	0.2837	0.3546	0.3090	0.2982	0.2925	0.2824	0.3109	0.3024	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.3757	0.3589	0.0437	0.0000	0.0002					0.5177	0.4842	0.2168	0.0000
			Std	0.2938	0.3102	0.1502	0.0000	0.0027					0.2887	0.2871	0.2794	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4992	0.4847	0.5113	0.5019	0.5043					0.5075	0.5033	0.4816	0.4904
			Std	0.2925	0.2860	0.2911	0.2928	0.2850					0.2879	0.2836	0.2983	0.2978
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4934	0.4836	0.4595	0.4920	0.4238	0.4430	0.4756	0.4920	0.4945	0.4862	0.4472	0.4700	
			Std	0.2893	0.2884	0.2910	0.2928	0.2939	0.3176	0.3002	0.2926	0.2910	0.2886	0.3041	0.3077	
				Inverse distance: scalar normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(-0.25)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.2478	0.3562	0.2207	0.0153	0.0017					0.5231	0.5085	0.3083	0.0705
			Std	0.2828	0.2964	0.2827	0.0663	0.0212					0.2792	0.2807	0.3066	0.1708
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4902	0.4993	0.4986	0.5131	0.4986					0.5154	0.5123	0.4671	0.5045
			Std	0.2883	0.2816	0.2913	0.2884	0.2924					0.2857	0.2802	0.2956	0.2928
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4857	0.4911	0.5243	0.5095	0.6610	0.7079	0.5240	0.5154	0.4919	0.4937	0.4996	0.4925	
			Std	0.2851	0.2784	0.2885	0.2920	0.2251	0.2314	0.2887	0.2833	0.2919	0.2834	0.3012	0.2976	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4277	0.4014	0.0575	0.0000	0.0011					0.5069	0.4905	0.2132	0.0000
			Std	0.2901	0.3036	0.1736	0.0000	0.0161					0.2911	0.2852	0.2775	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4998	0.4831	0.5102	0.4961	0.5093					0.5063	0.5015	0.4840	0.4872
			Std	0.2928	0.2848	0.2891	0.2899	0.2907					0.2885	0.2843	0.2995	0.2962
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4980	0.4826	0.4838	0.4936	0.7425	0.7977	0.4945	0.4895	0.4945	0.4858	0.4790	0.4972	
			Std	0.2891	0.2866	0.2898	0.2959	0.1918	0.1508	0.2885	0.2836	0.2911	0.2887	0.2939	0.2959	

Table B.13: Case III: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table B.2) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table B.8, lower panel)

Settings			Negative exponential: row normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.1030	0.3359	0.0023	0.0001	0.0011				0.5659	0.5289	0.1224	0.0062
			Std	0.1687	0.2935	0.0206	0.0010	0.0083					0.2676	0.2756	0.2075
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4891	0.4978	0.5108	0.5093	0.4943				0.5451	0.5202	0.4833	0.4993
			Std	0.2868	0.2816	0.2876	0.2848	0.2905				0.2749	0.2777	0.2977	0.2926
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4632	0.4926	0.4864	0.5036	0.4197	0.6395	0.4655	0.4915	0.4928	0.4935	0.5015	0.5090
			Std	0.2929	0.2897	0.2899	0.2863	0.2517	0.3809	0.2902	0.2844	0.2917	0.2844	0.2838	0.2907
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0172	0.1409	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000				0.5596	0.5352	0.0008	0.0000
			Std	0.0486	0.2127	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000				0.2737	0.2698	0.0074	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4785	0.5030	0.5096	0.5070	0.5057				0.5426	0.5252	0.4779	0.4942
			Std	0.2877	0.2869	0.2822	0.2845	0.2908				0.2808	0.2723	0.2913	0.2879
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4664	0.4948	0.4881	0.4843	0.4633	0.6637	0.4549	0.4989	0.4958	0.5011	0.5262	0.4961
			Std	0.2944	0.2878	0.2902	0.2904	0.2585	0.3637	0.2900	0.2987	0.2956	0.2783	0.2863	0.2851
			Negative exponential: scalar normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.1529	0.3794	0.0075	0.0004	0.0042				0.5546	0.5233	0.1437	0.0100
			Std	0.2154	0.2999	0.0474	0.0029	0.0317				0.2702	0.2758	0.2321	0.0475
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4882	0.4962	0.5074	0.5131	0.4957				0.5412	0.5174	0.4783	0.5051
			Std	0.2847	0.2821	0.2920	0.2888	0.2905				0.2765	0.2784	0.2966	0.2946
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4763	0.4934	0.5292	0.5090	0.5123	0.7418	0.5632	0.5200	0.4928	0.4934	0.5120	0.5134
			Std	0.2814	0.2839	0.2681	0.2858	0.2498	0.2739	0.2675	0.2766	0.2915	0.2845	0.2705	0.2907
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0358	0.1633	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000				0.5558	0.5330	0.0020	0.0000
			Std	0.0897	0.2264	0.0000	0.0000	0.0001				0.2749	0.2698	0.0150	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4813	0.5031	0.5091	0.5065	0.5034				0.5386	0.5241	0.4781	0.4918
			Std	0.2904	0.2862	0.2826	0.2871	0.2933				0.2821	0.2726	0.2900	0.2872
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4772	0.4974	0.5435	0.4894	0.5522	0.7590	0.5517	0.5184	0.4957	0.5010	0.5431	0.5003
			Std	0.2873	0.2867	0.2725	0.2897	0.2598	0.2517	0.2715	0.2953	0.2956	0.2782	0.2662	0.2869
			Inverse distance: row normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.2742	0.3333	0.2419	0.0037	0.0046				0.5171	0.5142	0.3119	0.0362
			Std	0.2903	0.2904	0.2801	0.0311	0.0361				0.2807	0.2779	0.3121	0.1019
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4898	0.4994	0.5015	0.5090	0.4970				0.5058	0.5117	0.4614	0.4983
			Std	0.2891	0.2804	0.2889	0.2843	0.2894				0.2876	0.2801	0.2943	0.2946
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4726	0.4891	0.4829	0.4873	0.3925	0.5858	0.4634	0.4852	0.4906	0.4942	0.4824	0.4790
			Std	0.2922	0.2846	0.2982	0.2955	0.2624	0.3637	0.3056	0.2991	0.2906	0.2828	0.3118	0.3047
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.3955	0.3994	0.0044	0.0000	0.0136				0.5128	0.5160	0.1153	0.0000
			Std	0.3005	0.3003	0.0487	0.0000	0.0859				0.2898	0.2748	0.2225	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4871	0.5017	0.4992	0.5069	0.5069				0.5017	0.5145	0.4610	0.4842
			Std	0.2920	0.2844	0.2808	0.2881	0.2870				0.2936	0.2749	0.2957	0.2941
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4823	0.4983	0.4999	0.4893	0.4719	0.6169	0.4842	0.5007	0.4956	0.5012	0.4946	0.4849
			Std	0.2905	0.2856	0.2918	0.2865	0.2703	0.3495	0.2893	0.2924	0.2948	0.2782	0.2989	0.2961
			Inverse distance: scalar normalized												
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.3133	0.3798	0.2543	0.0176	0.0113				0.5129	0.5118	0.3229	0.0648
			Std	0.3002	0.2974	0.2863	0.0707	0.0628				0.2818	0.2795	0.3058	0.1476
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4902	0.4990	0.4981	0.5122	0.4990				0.5060	0.5086	0.4611	0.5007
			Std	0.2882	0.2817	0.2914	0.2880	0.2930				0.2877	0.2811	0.2960	0.2922
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4854	0.4947	0.5392	0.5096	0.5180	0.7269	0.5470	0.5196	0.4910	0.4944	0.5181	0.4927
			Std	0.2873	0.2840	0.2787	0.2942	0.2316	0.2462	0.2740	0.2845	0.2899	0.2836	0.2977	0.3014
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4065	0.4035	0.0142	0.0000	0.0191				0.5114	0.5147	0.1512	0.0000
			Std	0.2996	0.3013	0.0797	0.0000	0.1081				0.2906	0.2751	0.2512	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4874	0.5026	0.4969	0.5048	0.5006				0.5014	0.5134	0.4604	0.4819
			Std	0.2919	0.2846	0.2790	0.2904	0.2861				0.2937	0.2752	0.2952	0.2985
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4872	0.4990	0.5236	0.4866	0.5669	0.7440	0.5224	0.4972	0.4961	0.5012	0.5111	0.4927
			Std	0.2912	0.2862	0.2818	0.2852	0.2308	0.2515	0.2837	0.2857	0.2952	0.2782	0.2883	0.2898

Table B.14: Case IV: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table B.3) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table B.10, upper panel)

Settings			Negative exponential: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(1)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.3890	0.4813	0.0058	0.3948	0.3726				0.5144	0.4842	0.0137	0.4568	
			Std	0.3007	0.2887	0.0327	0.3000	0.3066					0.2866	0.2866	0.0413	0.3040
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5075	0.4934	0.4915	0.4982	0.4965					0.5261	0.4900	0.4583	0.4965
			Std	0.2834	0.2915	0.2905	0.2961	0.2949					0.2794	0.2892	0.3013	0.3019
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5002	0.4943	0.4661	0.4787	0.4476	0.4709	0.4621	0.4797		0.5066	0.4895	0.4649	0.4726
			Std	0.2936	0.2936	0.2902	0.2951	0.3059	0.2886	0.3005	0.2959		0.2866	0.2903	0.2909	0.2965
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.2468	0.5029	0.0000	0.3491	0.1681					0.5026	0.5119	0.0000	0.4677
			Std	0.2776	0.2922	0.0002	0.2950	0.2405					0.2916	0.2914	0.0000	0.3043
TFE	5	800	Mean	0.4998	0.5119	0.5024	0.5131	0.4920					0.5123	0.5142	0.4540	0.5020
			Std	0.2942	0.2908	0.2977	0.2955	0.2874					0.2850	0.2873	0.2904	0.2943
PFE	5	800	Mean	0.4940	0.5107	0.4977	0.5035	0.4643	0.4885	0.5024	0.5125		0.4970	0.5124	0.4886	0.5083
			Std	0.2869	0.2911	0.2925	0.2932	0.3011	0.2955	0.2875	0.2991		0.2893	0.2868	0.2962	0.2967
			Negative exponential: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(1)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4065	0.4876	0.0107	0.3577	0.4072					0.5025	0.4951	0.0242	0.4222
			Std	0.3030	0.2850	0.0443	0.2948	0.3120					0.2915	0.2864	0.0640	0.3041
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4891	0.4955	0.5050	0.5214	0.4934					0.5075	0.4969	0.4716	0.5130
			Std	0.2875	0.2839	0.2931	0.2972	0.2956					0.2844	0.2853	0.2959	0.2997
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4820	0.4944	0.4984	0.4980	0.5494	0.5798	0.4895	0.4991		0.4927	0.4957	0.4758	0.4918
			Std	0.2872	0.2844	0.2860	0.2885	0.2711	0.2616	0.2947	0.2881		0.2901	0.2861	0.2889	0.2955
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.3285	0.4880	0.0000	0.2650	0.0746					0.5013	0.4859	0.0000	0.4354
			Std	0.2916	0.2866	0.0000	0.2773	0.1645					0.2880	0.2867	0.0000	0.3056
TFE	5	800	Mean	0.5002	0.4845	0.5013	0.4934	0.5037					0.5138	0.4867	0.4759	0.4865
			Std	0.2894	0.2865	0.2887	0.2910	0.2884					0.2946	0.2853	0.2939	0.2902
PFE	5	800	Mean	0.4993	0.4851	0.5088	0.4897	0.5780	0.5945	0.5004	0.5043		0.5001	0.4868	0.5053	0.4862
			Std	0.2906	0.2875	0.2849	0.2896	0.2632	0.2515	0.2930	0.2906		0.2985	0.2848	0.2936	0.2921
			Inverse distance: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(1)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4826	0.4931	0.1389	0.2277	0.3644					0.4750	0.4868	0.1607	0.2866
			Std	0.2950	0.2934	0.2200	0.2649	0.3187					0.2921	0.2962	0.1936	0.2815
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5086	0.4929	0.4904	0.4906	0.4818					0.5060	0.4918	0.4417	0.4995
			Std	0.2840	0.2906	0.2945	0.2881	0.2922					0.2838	0.2925	0.3039	0.2856
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4975	0.4904	0.4368	0.4498	0.3777	0.5165	0.4401	0.5226		0.4965	0.4899	0.4340	0.4484
			Std	0.2866	0.2906	0.3074	0.3060	0.3069	0.2619	0.3018	0.2701		0.2883	0.2918	0.3174	0.3149
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4877	0.5086	0.0481	0.1867	0.1143					0.4893	0.5084	0.0468	0.2877
			Std	0.2942	0.2895	0.1163	0.2442	0.2097					0.2936	0.2908	0.0798	0.2832
TFE	5	800	Mean	0.5004	0.5138	0.4879	0.4880	0.4950					0.4990	0.5169	0.4366	0.4779
			Std	0.2931	0.2907	0.2957	0.2804	0.2915					0.2905	0.2906	0.3038	0.2817
PFE	5	800	Mean	0.5015	0.5136	0.4913	0.4528	0.4183	0.4791	0.4859	0.5014		0.4999	0.5161	0.4774	0.4486
			Std	0.2932	0.2904	0.2954	0.3107	0.3026	0.2843	0.2916	0.2869		0.2913	0.2903	0.3055	0.3186
			Inverse distance: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(1)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4645	0.4967	0.1438	0.2384	0.4263					0.4708	0.4954	0.1614	0.2901
			Std	0.2929	0.2822	0.2198	0.2599	0.3154					0.2930	0.2853	0.1930	0.2704
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4911	0.4950	0.5032	0.5054	0.5033					0.4955	0.4949	0.4672	0.5199
			Std	0.2891	0.2839	0.2906	0.2853	0.2949					0.2898	0.2850	0.2934	0.2849
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4898	0.4951	0.5047	0.5041	0.6102	0.6495	0.5008	0.5550		0.4913	0.4955	0.4866	0.4830
			Std	0.2886	0.2837	0.2849	0.2853	0.2399	0.2309	0.2859	0.2430		0.2888	0.2844	0.2931	0.2957
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4739	0.4843	0.0918	0.2267	0.1570					0.4829	0.4840	0.0679	0.3303
			Std	0.2921	0.2879	0.1774	0.2611	0.2412					0.2948	0.2890	0.1046	0.2937
TFE	5	800	Mean	0.4973	0.4864	0.5041	0.4826	0.5082					0.4987	0.4858	0.4658	0.4781
			Std	0.2938	0.2889	0.2877	0.2853	0.2932					0.2963	0.2874	0.3038	0.2897
PFE	5	800	Mean	0.4960	0.4860	0.4873	0.4953	0.6594	0.7216	0.4959	0.5401		0.4970	0.4856	0.4781	0.4785
			Std	0.2918	0.2891	0.2866	0.2853	0.2292	0.1844	0.2847	0.2713		0.2941	0.2878	0.2954	0.2911

Table B.15: Case V: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table B.4) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table B.9, upper panel)

Settings			Negative exponential: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(0.5)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4260	0.4995	0.0038	0.0004	0.2547				0.5017	0.5004	0.0078	0.0018	
			Std	0.3026	0.2812	0.0192	0.0031	0.2777					0.2892	0.2846	0.0217	0.0104
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4913	0.4940	0.5085	0.5170	0.4981					0.5075	0.4957	0.4839	0.5133
			Std	0.2897	0.2837	0.2882	0.2901	0.2942					0.2831	0.2856	0.2965	0.2941
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4791	0.4932	0.4890	0.4799	0.4447	0.4970	0.4838	0.4769	0.4889	0.4957	0.4736	0.4797	
			Std	0.2917	0.2848	0.2944	0.2999	0.2998	0.2785	0.2980	0.3026	0.2880	0.2860	0.2835	0.3028	
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.2768	0.5029	0.0000	0.0000	0.1014					0.5030	0.5072	0.0000	0.0000
			Std	0.2862	0.2822	0.0001	0.0000	0.1896					0.2859	0.2852	0.0000	0.0000
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4809	0.5009	0.5107	0.4934	0.5085					0.5099	0.5033	0.4829	0.4871
			Std	0.2878	0.2783	0.2840	0.2913	0.2912					0.2846	0.2842	0.2901	0.2963
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4784	0.5016	0.4888	0.4971	0.4689	0.4863	0.4711	0.4962	0.4948	0.5054	0.4991	0.4974	
			Std	0.2909	0.2791	0.2870	0.2896	0.2939	0.2976	0.2881	0.2997	0.2885	0.2861	0.2914	0.2894	
			Negative exponential: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(0.5)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4348	0.4989	0.0074	0.0012	0.2879					0.5009	0.4988	0.0138	0.0034
			Std	0.2997	0.2823	0.0326	0.0073	0.2963					0.2914	0.2857	0.0375	0.0156
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4899	0.4940	0.5049	0.5158	0.4946					0.5061	0.4950	0.4763	0.5106
			Std	0.2885	0.2841	0.2918	0.2908	0.2941					0.2844	0.2854	0.2977	0.2919
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4838	0.4934	0.5013	0.5095	0.5670	0.5957	0.4981	0.5351	0.4917	0.4947	0.4794	0.4986	
			Std	0.2877	0.2849	0.2864	0.2935	0.2660	0.2512	0.2942	0.2846	0.2888	0.2859	0.2847	0.2983	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.3225	0.5000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0687					0.5014	0.5059	0.0000	0.0000
			Std	0.2973	0.2829	0.0001	0.0000	0.1569					0.2892	0.2850	0.0001	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4833	0.5007	0.5106	0.4805	0.5104					0.5067	0.5027	0.4827	0.4711
			Std	0.2893	0.2781	0.2840	0.2868	0.2945					0.2857	0.2825	0.2950	0.2859
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4818	0.5013	0.5128	0.5133	0.5852	0.6160	0.4799	0.5086	0.4945	0.5045	0.4999	0.5083	
			Std	0.2894	0.2788	0.2853	0.2958	0.2610	0.2523	0.2829	0.2921	0.2890	0.2843	0.2884	0.2952	
			Inverse distance: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(0.5)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4666	0.4952	0.0728	0.0410	0.1874					0.4271	0.4913	0.0793	0.0776
			Std	0.2916	0.2846	0.1563	0.1115	0.2619					0.2929	0.2888	0.1220	0.1442
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4906	0.4947	0.5091	0.5015	0.5028					0.4940	0.4949	0.4700	0.5218
			Std	0.2890	0.2839	0.2868	0.2867	0.2906					0.2901	0.2847	0.2972	0.2810
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4889	0.4937	0.4579	0.4524	0.3896	0.5119	0.4724	0.6004	0.4900	0.4962	0.4496	0.4510	
			Std	0.2920	0.2840	0.2968	0.2963	0.3076	0.2535	0.2977	0.2257	0.2892	0.2849	0.3096	0.3014	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4753	0.4999	0.0343	0.0145	0.0816					0.4748	0.4955	0.0309	0.0415
			Std	0.2948	0.2836	0.0937	0.0517	0.1876					0.2988	0.2856	0.0509	0.0978
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4919	0.5007	0.4881	0.4931	0.4999					0.4952	0.5012	0.4437	0.4920
			Std	0.2942	0.2782	0.2770	0.2934	0.2853					0.2926	0.2808	0.2942	0.2925
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4902	0.5003	0.4811	0.4507	0.4360	0.4771	0.4867	0.5501	0.4949	0.5010	0.4738	0.4485	
			Std	0.2934	0.2787	0.2922	0.3002	0.3032	0.2818	0.2948	0.2597	0.2917	0.2806	0.3017	0.3076	
			Inverse distance: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(1.5)$	$\alpha_2(0.5)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.4696	0.4952	0.0960	0.0718	0.2504					0.4422	0.4939	0.0934	0.1126
			Std	0.2913	0.2836	0.1777	0.1544	0.2947					0.2920	0.2874	0.1287	0.1785
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4907	0.4945	0.5053	0.4989	0.5025					0.4955	0.4946	0.4653	0.5212
			Std	0.2885	0.2840	0.2899	0.2865	0.2949					0.2901	0.2847	0.2939	0.2791
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4916	0.4950	0.5056	0.5025	0.6088	0.6770	0.5040	0.6110	0.4923	0.4972	0.4868	0.4878	
			Std	0.2889	0.2833	0.2871	0.2875	0.2448	0.2210	0.2853	0.2423	0.2897	0.2842	0.2958	0.2963	
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.4792	0.5005	0.0568	0.0265	0.1092					0.4800	0.4973	0.0454	0.0616
			Std	0.2941	0.2821	0.1298	0.0806	0.2137					0.2999	0.2841	0.0736	0.1265
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4926	0.5005	0.4903	0.4920	0.5002					0.4953	0.5007	0.4410	0.4912
			Std	0.2945	0.2782	0.2813	0.2929	0.2860					0.2930	0.2805	0.2910	0.2905
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4928	0.5004	0.5047	0.4778	0.6748	0.7297	0.5095	0.5678	0.4959	0.4996	0.4983	0.4668	
			Std	0.2945	0.2783	0.2845	0.2954	0.2188	0.1899	0.2893	0.2527	0.2925	0.2795	0.2886	0.3048	

Table B.16: Case VI: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table B.5) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table B.9, lower panel)

Settings			Negative exponential: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0000	0.0902	0.0000	0.0068	0.0000					0.6292	0.5651	0.0001	0.1873
			Std	0.0007	0.1538	0.0000	0.0524	0.0000						0.2400	0.2712	0.0012
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5030	0.4936	0.4898	0.5015	0.4887					0.5752	0.5049	0.4524	0.4960
			Std	0.2883	0.2909	0.2832	0.2881	0.2935					0.2618	0.2859	0.2947	0.2901
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4984	0.4897	0.4966	0.4988	0.4602	0.4914	0.6584	0.5005		0.5079	0.4912	0.4912	0.4947
			Std	0.2937	0.2887	0.2902	0.2897	0.2980	0.2857	0.3677	0.2892		0.2850	0.2903	0.2919	0.2931
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0000	0.0038	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.3912	0.5419	0.0000	0.0031
			Std	0.0000	0.0163	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.2745	0.2762	0.0000	0.0349
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4967	0.5049	0.5063	0.5052	0.4894					0.5640	0.5239	0.4679	0.4993
			Std	0.2921	0.2856	0.2867	0.2913	0.2869					0.2677	0.2856	0.2961	0.2932
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4854	0.5059	0.5040	0.5053	0.4647	0.4883	0.6272	0.5049		0.4954	0.5139	0.4783	0.5000
			Std	0.2897	0.2892	0.2869	0.2916	0.2973	0.2865	0.3100	0.2919		0.2882	0.2875	0.2923	0.2888
			Negative exponential: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0002	0.1309	0.0000	0.0112	0.0000					0.6233	0.5620	0.0002	0.1962
			Std	0.0024	0.1851	0.0000	0.0576	0.0000					0.2439	0.2742	0.0018	0.2629
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5077	0.4936	0.4929	0.5020	0.4881					0.5720	0.5023	0.4533	0.4933
			Std	0.2896	0.2928	0.2837	0.2865	0.2880					0.2614	0.2856	0.2964	0.2900
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5075	0.4915	0.5422	0.4967	0.5517	0.6579	0.6274	0.4951		0.5064	0.4906	0.5084	0.4931
			Std	0.2914	0.2909	0.2773	0.2817	0.2664	0.2400	0.3536	0.2924		0.2842	0.2891	0.2859	0.2850
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0000	0.0053	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.3986	0.5600	0.0000	0.0029
			Std	0.0000	0.0220	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.2755	0.2741	0.0000	0.0263
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5007	0.5051	0.5073	0.5039	0.4818					0.5618	0.5236	0.4635	0.4989
			Std	0.2938	0.2860	0.2869	0.2878	0.2799					0.2681	0.2851	0.2985	0.2913
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5015	0.5069	0.5411	0.5027	0.5619	0.6859	0.6023	0.5028		0.4955	0.5145	0.4996	0.5001
			Std	0.2886	0.2889	0.2762	0.2929	0.2709	0.2150	0.2922	0.2898		0.2876	0.2872	0.2828	0.2864
			Inverse distance: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0002	0.1161	0.0000	0.1236	0.0000					0.5550	0.5506	0.0000	0.2198
			Std	0.0012	0.1802	0.0000	0.2394	0.0000					0.2630	0.2688	0.0004	0.2804
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5015	0.4951	0.4901	0.5005	0.4869					0.5757	0.5021	0.4603	0.4925
			Std	0.2858	0.2931	0.2831	0.2902	0.2967					0.2589	0.2893	0.3012	0.2901
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4968	0.4914	0.4945	0.4865	0.4422	0.5220	0.6074	0.4870		0.5050	0.4932	0.4421	0.4794
			Std	0.2928	0.2904	0.2922	0.2994	0.3067	0.2690	0.3154	0.2926		0.2833	0.2936	0.3081	0.3012
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0000	0.0798	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.0494	0.5424	0.0000	0.0300
			Std	0.0000	0.1527	0.0000	0.0001	0.0000					0.0829	0.2624	0.0000	0.1230
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4968	0.5070	0.5062	0.5062	0.4937					0.5724	0.5208	0.4681	0.4843
			Std	0.2916	0.2869	0.2884	0.2917	0.2946					0.2671	0.2883	0.2930	0.2969
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4804	0.5060	0.4984	0.5078	0.4565	0.4892	0.5284	0.5017		0.4975	0.5144	0.4655	0.5016
			Std	0.2880	0.2897	0.2883	0.2917	0.2939	0.2843	0.2701	0.2870		0.2897	0.2897	0.3058	0.2942
			Inverse distance: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.5)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0004	0.1559	0.0000	0.1549	0.0000					0.5174	0.5605	0.0000	0.2167
			Std	0.0031	0.2087	0.0000	0.2723	0.0000					0.2716	0.2646	0.0000	0.2821
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5064	0.4943	0.4935	0.4993	0.4891					0.5705	0.4995	0.4587	0.4890
			Std	0.2888	0.2936	0.2837	0.2871	0.2941					0.2604	0.2888	0.3006	0.2899
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.5061	0.4921	0.5235	0.5156	0.5728	0.6738	0.5717	0.5154		0.5047	0.4926	0.5316	0.4904
			Std	0.2916	0.2925	0.2826	0.2892	0.2635	0.2338	0.3065	0.2863		0.2833	0.2916	0.2846	0.2993
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0000	0.0878	0.0000	0.0005	0.0000					0.0903	0.5851	0.0000	0.0284
			Std	0.0000	0.1628	0.0000	0.0116	0.0000					0.1289	0.2571	0.0000	0.1264
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4971	0.5075	0.5072	0.5063	0.4880					0.5706	0.5206	0.4671	0.4854
			Std	0.2896	0.2870	0.2894	0.2912	0.2884					0.2677	0.2883	0.2985	0.2955
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5073	0.5092	0.5106	0.5041	0.6526	0.7727	0.5314	0.5017		0.4981	0.5152	0.6119	0.5161
			Std	0.2869	0.2898	0.2831	0.2901	0.2355	0.1688	0.2723	0.2878		0.2899	0.2901	0.2495	0.2854

Table B.17: Case VII: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table B.6) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table B.10, lower panel)

Settings			Negative exponential: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0000	0.0098	0.0000	0.0089	0.0000					0.6471	0.6124	0.0002	0.2848
			Std	0.0000	0.0322	0.0000	0.0475	0.0000						0.2274	0.2390	0.0039
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4888	0.4984	0.5191	0.5116	0.4949					0.6135	0.5227	0.4710	0.5009
			Std	0.2850	0.2813	0.2929	0.2850	0.2885					0.2483	0.2774	0.3037	0.2898
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4553	0.4947	0.5230	0.5037	0.4537	0.6507	0.6726	0.5066		0.4933	0.4933	0.4950	0.5146
			Std	0.2883	0.2846	0.2895	0.2860	0.2506	0.3856	0.3607	0.2844		0.2915	0.2840	0.2834	0.2883
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.3785	0.5986	0.0000	0.0215
			Std	0.0000	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000						0.2544	0.2509	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5124	0.4814	0.5107	0.5047	0.5108					0.6126	0.5100	0.4555	0.4960
			Std	0.2856	0.2793	0.2879	0.2926	0.2830					0.2501	0.2821	0.2969	0.2936
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4843	0.4746	0.5113	0.4970	0.4938	0.6470	0.6521	0.4984		0.4952	0.4864	0.5169	0.5225
			Std	0.2979	0.2850	0.2869	0.2928	0.2581	0.3790	0.3063	0.2930		0.2926	0.2886	0.2733	0.2935
			Negative exponential: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0000	0.0201	0.0000	0.0198	0.0000					0.6049	0.6075	0.0005	0.2644
			Std	0.0000	0.0601	0.0000	0.0876	0.0000						0.2433	0.2439	0.0078
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4882	0.4954	0.5157	0.5148	0.5015					0.6141	0.5202	0.4672	0.5070
			Std	0.2776	0.2816	0.2949	0.2889	0.2874					0.2483	0.2777	0.3043	0.2944
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4658	0.4904	0.5213	0.5104	0.5121	0.7733	0.6687	0.5253		0.4930	0.4934	0.5145	0.5152
			Std	0.2835	0.2834	0.2854	0.2813	0.2464	0.2661	0.3305	0.2741		0.2910	0.2840	0.2851	0.2885
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000					0.3874	0.5921	0.0000	0.0348
			Std	0.0000	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000						0.2578	0.2516	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5099	0.4808	0.5110	0.4992	0.5100					0.6109	0.5090	0.4588	0.4907
			Std	0.2837	0.2801	0.2873	0.2910	0.2826					0.2512	0.2822	0.2987	0.2920
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4903	0.4774	0.5166	0.4969	0.5469	0.7763	0.6438	0.5121		0.4955	0.4862	0.5317	0.5093
			Std	0.2964	0.2851	0.2853	0.2865	0.2516	0.2497	0.2767	0.2888		0.2925	0.2885	0.2721	0.2863
			Inverse distance: row normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0001	0.0348	0.0000	0.1196	0.0000					0.3865	0.4658	0.0000	0.2088
			Std	0.0025	0.0949	0.0000	0.2376	0.0000						0.2649	0.2807	0.0000
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4931	0.4985	0.5157	0.5130	0.4959					0.6035	0.5120	0.4504	0.5014
			Std	0.2850	0.2803	0.2912	0.2859	0.2873					0.2528	0.2801	0.3024	0.2951
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4426	0.4916	0.5109	0.4758	0.4126	0.6216	0.6116	0.4799		0.4939	0.4940	0.4492	0.4783
			Std	0.2882	0.2828	0.2903	0.2882	0.2571	0.3505	0.3193	0.2961		0.2914	0.2832	0.3017	0.2967
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0001	0.0327	0.0000	0.0014	0.0000					0.1089	0.5835	0.0000	0.0710
			Std	0.0023	0.1074	0.0000	0.0293	0.0000						0.1610	0.2525	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5083	0.4815	0.5132	0.5020	0.5130					0.5998	0.4983	0.4558	0.4890
			Std	0.2857	0.2805	0.2879	0.2920	0.2816					0.2558	0.2853	0.2927	0.2926
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4735	0.4797	0.4961	0.4923	0.4613	0.6123	0.5526	0.4974		0.4951	0.4867	0.4848	0.4866
			Std	0.2959	0.2860	0.2899	0.2963	0.2734	0.3701	0.2673	0.2950		0.2924	0.2890	0.2916	0.2946
			Inverse distance: scalar normalized													
	T	N		$\beta_1(-1)$	$\beta_2(0.2)$	$\gamma_1(1.5)$	$\gamma_2(-0.3)$	$\rho(0.01)$	$\alpha_0(2)$	$\alpha_1(10)$	$\alpha_2(3)$	$DE_{-\beta_1}$	$DE_{-\beta_2}$	$IE_{-\beta_1}$	$IE_{-\beta_2}$	
WFE	5	200	Mean	0.0002	0.0559	0.0000	0.1568	0.0000					0.3774	0.4998	0.0000	0.2103
			Std	0.0045	0.1262	0.0000	0.2670	0.0000						0.2679	0.2816	0.0001
TWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4918	0.4964	0.5108	0.5155	0.4961					0.6007	0.5094	0.4439	0.5057
			Std	0.2818	0.2819	0.2940	0.2898	0.2852					0.2541	0.2807	0.3018	0.2975
PWFE	5	200	Mean	0.4640	0.4923	0.5174	0.5144	0.5234	0.7627	0.6103	0.5131		0.4931	0.4942	0.5233	0.4974
			Std	0.2839	0.2843	0.2841	0.2877	0.2360	0.2389	0.2899	0.2722		0.2912	0.2842	0.2806	0.2976
WFE	5	800	Mean	0.0004	0.0551	0.0000	0.0036	0.0000					0.1651	0.5748	0.0000	0.0763
			Std	0.0107	0.1410	0.0000	0.0441	0.0000						0.2048	0.2544	0.0000
TWFE	5	800	Mean	0.5101	0.4802	0.5127	0.4971	0.5108					0.5983	0.4974	0.4541	0.4885
			Std	0.2870	0.2804	0.2873	0.2908	0.2815					0.2567	0.2855	0.2945	0.2973
PWFE	5	800	Mean	0.4854	0.4771	0.5063	0.4964	0.5848	0.7724	0.5525	0.4934		0.4955	0.4866	0.5848	0.4953
			Std	0.2914	0.2836	0.2852	0.2977	0.2276	0.2589	0.2587	0.2826		0.2927	0.2891	0.2537	0.2913

Table B.18: Case VIII: Mean and standard deviation of the p-values of the parameters (Table B.7) and the direct (DE) and indirect (IE) effects of variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  (Table B.11)

Determinants/W	One common decay parameter $\alpha$				
	1 YE	2 Ex_rn	3 Ex_sn	4 ID_rn	5 ID_sn
$\rho$	0.241*** (8.39)	0.257*** (5.74)	0.555*** (8.40)	0.231*** (3.77)	0.454*** (5.04)
$\beta_1$ GDP	-0.530*** (-5.57)	-0.513*** (-5.33)	-0.506*** (-5.30)	-0.534*** (-5.55)	-0.553*** (-5.70)
$\beta_2$ Population	1.184*** (3.18)	1.213*** (2.93)	0.552 (1.40)	0.816** (2.07)	0.875** (2.27)
$\beta_3$ International War	0.073* (1.72)	0.085** (1.99)	0.079* (1.83)	0.074* (1.74)	0.068 (1.59)
$\beta_4$ Civil War	0.006 (0.37)	0.007 (0.47)	0.010 (0.65)	0.006 (0.37)	0.002 (0.14)
$\beta_5$ Political Regime	-0.016*** (-3.28)	-0.018*** (-3.55)	-0.017*** (-3.42)	-0.017*** (-3.50)	-0.018*** (-3.46)
$\gamma_1$ W( $\alpha$ )*GDP	0.085 (0.53)	-0.041 (-0.20)	0.116 (0.53)	0.219 (1.09)	0.712*** (2.68)
$\gamma_2$ W( $\alpha$ )*Population	-0.517 (-0.84)	-1.170 (-1.55)	3.930* (1.74)	0.544 (0.63)	-1.399 (-0.31)
$\gamma_3$ W( $\alpha$ )*International War	-0.055 (-0.70)	-0.109 (-1.14)	-0.289 (-1.15)	-0.080 (-0.92)	-0.221 (-0.43)
$\gamma_4$ W( $\alpha$ )*Civil War	-0.029 (-1.03)	-0.081* (-1.81)	-0.097 (-0.89)	-0.050 (-1.39)	0.045 (0.46)
$\gamma_5$ W( $\alpha$ )*Political Regime	-0.019** (-2.06)	0.000 (0.02)	-0.011 (-0.36)	-0.016 (-1.37)	-0.022 (-0.63)
$\alpha$ (Distance decay)		2.022*** (4.03)	2.305*** (5.35)	2.113*** (4.48)	0.766*** (7.89)
$DE_1$ GDP	-0.535*** (-5.37)	-0.522*** (-5.41)	-0.510*** (-5.28)	-0.529*** (-5.50)	-0.548*** (-5.62)
$DE_2$ Population	1.164*** (3.11)	1.171*** (2.91)	0.649* (1.69)	0.852** (2.22)	0.863** (2.30)
$DE_3$ International War	0.072* (1.64)	0.080* (1.89)	0.073* (1.72)	0.071* (1.66)	0.066 (1.55)
$DE_4$ Civil War	0.004 (0.26)	0.003 (0.21)	0.008 (0.50)	0.003 (0.21)	0.003 (0.17)
$DE_5$ Political Regime	-0.017*** (-3.44)	-0.018*** (-3.52)	-0.018*** (-3.43)	-0.018*** (-3.61)	-0.018*** (-3.48)
$IE_1$ GDP	-0.048 (-0.24)	-0.224 (-0.86)	-0.119 (-0.72)	0.120 (0.49)	0.729* (1.60)
$IE_2$ Population	-0.273 (-0.36)	-1.113 (-1.21)	3.064* (1.89)	0.916 (0.86)	-1.584 (-0.23)
$IE_3$ International War	-0.050 (-0.50)	-0.113 (-0.92)	-0.177 (-0.98)	-0.078 (-0.73)	-0.300 (-0.37)
$IE_4$ Civil War	-0.034 (-0.97)	-0.103* (-1.72)	-0.066 (-0.83)	-0.061 (-1.31)	0.073 (0.46)
$IE_5$ Political Regime	-0.029** (-2.50)	-0.006 (-0.35)	-0.015 (-0.66)	-0.025* (-1.57)	-0.047 (-0.81)
Observations	2160	2160	2160	2160	2160
Log-likelihood function value	-1311.39	-1313.66	-1316.37	-1319.19	-1333.49
R-squared	0.702	0.702	0.701	0.700	0.694
H0 (SAR): $\gamma=0$ (p-value)	7.85 (0.16)	7.23 (0.20)	6.77 (0.24)	4.84 (0.44)	7.70 (0.17)
H0 (SEM): $\rho\beta_k\mathbf{W} + \gamma_k\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{0}_N$ (p-value)	7.39 (0.19)	5.79 (0.33)	5.37 (0.37)	4.29 (0.51)	3.27 (0.66)

Notes: YE=Yesilurt and Elhorst (2017), Ex=Negative exponential distance decay, ID=Inverse distance decay, rn=row normalized, sn=scaled normalized; \*, \*\*, \*\*\* significant at respectively 10%, 5% and 1%.

Table C.1: Military expenditures according to one common binary contiguity matrix (YE) or one common parameterized weight matrix (R results)



Determinants/W	1 YE	2 PWFE	3 EWFE	4 EWFEBc
$\rho$	0.241*** (8.69)	0.251*** (5.29)	0.251*** (7.93)	0.247*** (7.80)
$\beta_1$ GDP	-0.530*** (-5.57)	-0.487*** (-5.04)	-0.487*** (-5.07)	-0.486*** (-5.08)
$\beta_2$ Population	1.184*** (3.18)	1.204*** (2.86)	1.205*** (2.98)	1.171*** (2.90)
$\beta_3$ International War	0.073* (1.72)	0.084** (1.98)	0.084** (1.99)	0.077* (1.81)
$\beta_4$ Civil War	0.006 (0.37)	0.010 (0.66)	0.010 (0.67)	0.007 (0.47)
$\beta_5$ Political Regime	-0.016*** (-3.28)	-0.018*** (-3.58)	-0.018*** (-3.61)	-0.017*** (-3.50)
$\gamma_1$ $W(\alpha_1)$ *GDP	0.085 (0.53)	-0.944 (-0.76)	-0.944* (-1.77)	-0.951* (-1.78)
$\gamma_2$ $W(\alpha_2)$ *Population	-0.517 (-0.84)	-1.466 (-1.43)	-1.466* (-1.81)	-1.389* (-1.71)
$\gamma_3$ $W(\alpha_3)$ *International War	-0.055 (-0.70)	-0.066 (-1.17)	-0.066 (-1.46)	-0.032 (-0.41)
$\gamma_4$ $W(\alpha_4)$ *Civil War	-0.029 (-1.03)	-0.078 (-1.27)	-0.078** (-2.06)	-0.091** (-2.42)
$\gamma_5$ $W(\alpha_5)$ *Political Regime	-0.019** (-2.06)	-0.005 (-0.59)	-0.005 (-0.77)	-0.023** (-2.44)
$\alpha_0$ (Spatially lagged dependent variable)		2.003*** (3.56)		
$\alpha_1$		0.410 (0.74)		
$\alpha_2$		1.485 (1.01)		
$\alpha_3$		10.00 (0.45)		
$\alpha_4$		2.321 (1.12)		
$\alpha_5$		10.00 (0.25)		
$DE_1$ GDP	-0.537*** (-5.59)	-0.505*** (-5.22)	-0.503*** (-5.44)	-0.497*** (-5.22)
$DE_2$ Population	1.167*** (3.31)	1.160*** (2.84)	1.149*** (2.82)	1.136*** (2.97)
$DE_3$ International War	0.071* (1.76)	0.080* (1.89)	0.081* (1.96)	0.076* (1.76)
$DE_4$ Civil War	0.004 (0.25)	0.006 (0.40)	0.006 (0.43)	0.002 (0.16)
$DE_5$ Political Regime	-0.018*** (-3.42)	-0.019*** (-3.61)	-0.018*** (-3.65)	-0.019*** (-3.87)
$IE_1$ GDP	-0.039 (-0.19)	-1.406 (-0.85)	-1.400** (-1.98)	-1.404** (-2.01)
$IE_2$ Population	-0.282 (-0.37)	-1.510 (-1.14)	-1.540 (-1.53)	-1.400 (-1.46)
$IE_3$ International War	-0.046 (-0.50)	-0.057 (-0.80)	-0.057 (-0.99)	-0.017 (-0.17)
$IE_4$ Civil War	-0.033 (-0.95)	-0.097 (-1.20)	-0.098** (-2.03)	-0.116** (-2.36)
$IE_5$ Political Regime	-0.029** (-2.46)	-0.012 (-1.10)	-0.012* (-1.39)	-0.035*** (-2.95)
Observations	2160	2160	2160	2160
Log-likelihood function value	-1311.39	-1311.02	-1311.02	-1309.23
R-squared	0.702	0.702	0.702	0.702
H0 (SAR): $\gamma=0$ (p-value)	7.85 (0.16)	7.79 (0.17)	13.21 (0.02)	16.53 (0.01)
H0 (SEM): $\rho\beta_k\mathbf{W} + \gamma_k\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{0}_N$ (p-value)	7.41 (0.19)	21.22 (0.00)	12.49 (0.03)	17.86 (0.00)

Notes: YE=one common binary contiguity matrix based on Yesilurt and Elhorst (2017), PWFE=Parameterized W matrices and fixed effects (FE), EWFE=Estimated W matrices and FE, EWFEBc=Estimated W or binary contiguity (BC) matrices and FE; \*,\*\*,\*\*\* significant at respectively 10%, 5% and 1%.

Table D.1: Military expenditures according to one common binary contiguity matrix and different distance decay matrices (Matlab2022a results)

	One common decay parameter $\alpha$				
	1 YE	2 Ex_rn	3 Ex_sn	4 ID_rn	5 ID_sn
Determinants/W					
$\rho$	0.241*** (8.69)	0.257*** (5.68)	0.555*** (8.41)	0.231*** (3.74)	0.454*** (5.03)
$\beta_1$ GDP	-0.530*** (-5.57)	-0.514*** (-5.33)	-0.506*** (-5.30)	-0.534*** (-5.55)	-0.553*** (-5.70)
$\beta_2$ Population	1.184*** (3.18)	1.213*** (2.93)	0.552 (1.40)	0.816** (2.07)	0.875** (2.27)
$\beta_3$ International War	0.073* (1.72)	0.085** (1.99)	0.079* (1.83)	0.074* (1.74)	0.068 (1.59)
$\beta_4$ Civil War	0.006 (0.37)	0.007 (0.47)	0.010 (0.65)	0.006 (0.37)	0.002 (0.14)
$\beta_5$ Political Regime	-0.016*** (-3.28)	-0.018*** (-3.55)	-0.017*** (-3.42)	-0.017*** (-3.50)	-0.018*** (-3.46)
$\gamma_1$ W( $\alpha$ )*GDP	0.085 (0.53)	-0.041 (-0.20)	0.116 (0.53)	0.219 (1.09)	0.712*** (2.67)
$\gamma_2$ W( $\alpha$ )*Population	-0.517 (-0.84)	-1.170 (-1.55)	3.930* (1.74)	0.544 (0.63)	-1.399 (-0.31)
$\gamma_3$ W( $\alpha$ )*International War	-0.055 (-0.70)	-0.109 (-1.13)	-0.289 (-1.15)	-0.080 (-0.92)	-0.221 (-0.43)
$\gamma_4$ W( $\alpha$ )*Civil War	-0.029 (-1.03)	-0.081* (-1.81)	-0.097 (-0.89)	-0.050 (-1.39)	0.045 (0.46)
$\gamma_5$ W( $\alpha$ )*Political Regime	-0.019** (-2.06)	0.000 (0.02)	-0.011 (-0.36)	-0.016 (-1.37)	-0.022 (-0.63)
$\alpha$ (Distance decay)		2.022*** (3.94)	2.305*** (5.36)	2.113*** (4.44)	0.766*** (7.72)
$DE_1$ GDP	-0.537*** (-5.59)	-0.522*** (-5.41)	-0.510*** (-5.28)	-0.529*** (-5.50)	-0.548*** (-5.62)
$DE_2$ Population	1.167*** (3.31)	1.172*** (2.91)	0.649* (1.69)	0.852** (2.22)	0.863** (2.30)
$DE_3$ International War	0.071* (1.76)	0.080* (1.89)	0.073* (1.72)	0.071* (1.66)	0.066 (1.55)
$DE_4$ Civil War	0.004 (0.25)	0.003 (0.21)	0.008 (0.50)	0.003 (0.21)	0.003 (0.17)
$DE_5$ Political Regime	-0.018*** (-3.42)	-0.018*** (-3.52)	-0.018*** (-3.43)	-0.018*** (-3.61)	-0.018*** (-3.48)
$IE_1$ GDP	-0.039 (-0.19)	-0.224 (-0.86)	-0.119 (-0.72)	0.120 (0.49)	0.729* (1.59)
$IE_2$ Population	-0.282 (-0.37)	-1.113 (-1.21)	3.064* (1.89)	0.916 (0.86)	-1.585 (-0.23)
$IE_3$ International War	-0.046 (-0.50)	-0.113 (-0.92)	-0.177 (-0.98)	-0.078 (-0.73)	-0.300 (-0.37)
$IE_4$ Civil War	-0.033 (-0.95)	-0.103* (-1.71)	-0.066 (-0.83)	-0.061 (-1.31)	0.073 (0.46)
$IE_5$ Political Regime	-0.029** (-2.46)	-0.006 (-0.35)	-0.015 (-0.66)	-0.025* (-1.56)	-0.047 (-0.80)
Observations	2160	2160	2160	2160	2160
Log-likelihood function value	-1311.39	-1313.66	-1316.37	-1319.19	-1333.49
R-squared	0.702	0.702	0.701	0.700	0.694
H0 (SAR): $\gamma=0$ (p-value)	7.85 (0.16)	7.19 (0.21)	6.77 (0.24)	4.81 (0.44)	7.67 (0.18)
H0 (SEM): $\rho\beta_k\mathbf{W} + \gamma_k\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{0}_N$ (p-value)	7.41 (0.19)	5.76 (0.33)	5.37 (0.37)	4.27 (0.51)	3.25 (0.66)

Notes: YE=Yesilurt and Elhorst (2017), Ex=Negative exponential distance decay, ID=Inverse distance decay, rn=row normalized, sn=scalar normalized; \*, \*\*, \*\*\* significant at respectively 10%, 5% and 1%.

Table D.2: Military expenditures according to one common binary contiguity matrix (YE) or one common parameterized weight matrix (Matlab2022a results)