# A Stochastic Space-Time Rainfall Model for Engineering Risk Assessment

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Appendices

# Appendix A Spatial Storm Extent

#### A.1 LIST OF RAINFALL GAUGES

The following two tables respectively show the pluviograph gauges and daily rainfall gauges used in the case study. The same order of gauges is preserved when comparing the simulated statistics to observed statistics.

Table A.1	List of	pluviograph	gauges from	n Sydney	Water	Observation	Network
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Gauge ID	Latitude	Longitude	Description
563059	-33.69	150.301	KATOOMBA (CASCADE CK DAM No.1)
563070	-33.7	150.485	LINDEN (WOODFORD CK DAM)
566017	-33.803	151.18	CHATSWOOD
566018	-34.033	151.163	CRONULLA STP
566020	-33.891	151.094	ENFIELD (COMPOSITE SITE)
566025	-33.783	151.257	MANLY DAM
566026	-33.921	151.157	MARRICKVILLE SPS
566028	-33.937	151.198	MASCOT BOWLING CLUB
566032	-33.89	151.224	PADDINGTON (COMPOSITE SITE)
566033	-33.939	151.026	PADSTOW
566036	-33.895	151.034	POTTS HILL RESERVOIR
566038	-33.862	151.278	VAUCLUSE BOWLING CLUB
566040	-33.771	151.064	WEST EPPING BOWLING CLUB
566047	-33.975	151.076	MORTDALE BOWLING CLUB
566051	-33.691	151.3	WARRIEWOOD STP
567076	-33.714	150.983	CASTLE HILL STP
567077	-33.883	150.951	FAIRFIELD STP
567078	-33.986	150.907	GLENFIELD STP
567087	-33.734	150.767	ST MARYS STP
567100	-33.653	150.847	RIVERSTONE STP

567102	-33.699	151.025	DURAL (WPS14)
568045	-33.891	150.592	WARRAGAMBA MET. STATION
568130	-34.06	150.679	WEST CAMDEN STP
563059	-33.69	150.301	KATOOMBA

**Table A.2** List of Bureau of Meteorology daily rainfall gauges

Gauge ID	Latitude	Longitude	Description
66062	-33.86	151.2	SYDNEY (OBSERVATORY HILL)
067015	-33.97	150.72	BRINGELLY (MARYLAND)
068045	-34.55	150.38	MOSS VALE HOSKINS STREET
063043	-33.54	150.63	KURRAJONG HEIGHTS (BELLS LINE OF ROAD)
066046	-33.82	151	PARRAMATTA
063056	-33.59	150.25	MOUNT VICTORIA (MT VICTORIA (SELSDON STR
067021	-33.62	150.75	RICHMOND - UWS HAWKESBURY
061023	-33.43	151.34	GOSFORD (GERTRUDE PLACE)
063077	-33.7	150.56	SPRINGWOOD POST OFFICE
068007	-34.03	150.64	CAMDEN (BROWNLOW HILL)
068014	-34.07	150.8	CAMPBELLTOWN 1
068052	-34.17	150.61	PICTON BOWLING CLUB
063039	-33.72	150.3	KATOOMBA COMPOSITE
066006	-33.87	151.22	SYDNEY BOTANIC GARDENS
068013	-34.13	150.74	MENANGLE JMAI
066020	-33.77	151.08	EPPING CHESTER STREET
068044	-34.45	150.46	MITTAGONG BEATRICE STREET
067019	-33.82	150.91	PROSPECT DAM
066052	-33.91	151.24	RANDWICK BOWLING CLUB
068028	-34.2	150.97	HELENSBURGH (PARKES STREET)
066007	-33.93	151.22	BOTANY NO.1 DAM
068009	-34.59	150.52	BURRAWANG (RANGE STREET)
068000	-34.57	150.78	ALBION PARK POST OFFICE
066000	-33.89	151.13	ASHFIELD BOWLING CLUB
067018	-33.75	150.68	PENRITH LADBURY AVENUE
068024	-34.23	150.91	DARKES FOREST (KINTYRE)
063044	-33.72	150.43	LAWSON (WILSON STREET)
063118	-33.52	150.49	BILPIN (FERN GROVE)
066042	-33.82	151.24	MOSMAN BAPAUME ROAD
066050	-33.89	151.03	POTTS HILL

063057	-33.5	150.37	MOUNT WILSON (NOOROO)
067031	-33.61	150.82	WINDSOR FITZGERALD STREET
063009	-33.62	150.3	BLACKHEATH (GODSON AVE)
066044	-33.73	151.27	CROMER GOLF CLUB
066058	-34	151.13	SANS SOUCI (THE BOULEVARDE)
068043	-34.03	150.84	MINTO SURREY STREET
068054	-34.58	150.62	ROBERTSON POST OFFICE
067009	-33.97	150.9	GLENFIELD (MACQUARIE)
068033	-34.46	150.49	MITTAGONG (KIA ORA)
061119	-33.39	150.98	WISEMANS FERRY (OLD PO)
066010	-33.8	151.19	CHATSWOOD COUNCIL DEPOT
067052	-33.63	151.15	BEROWRA GOODWYN ROAD
066160	-33.9	151.23	CENTENNIAL PARK
068016	-34.27	150.81	CATARACT DAM
066131	-33.83	151.15	RIVERVIEW OBSERVATORY
068011	-34.05	150.72	CAMDEN BOWLING CLUB
066040	-34.04	151.1	MIRANDA BLACKWOOD ST
066120	-33.76	151.15	GORDON BOWLING CLUB
067004	-33.75	150.67	EMU PLAINS
066153	-33.78	151.25	MANLY VALE (MANLY DAM)
068022	-34.5	150.78	DAPTO BOWLING CLUB
068001	-34.21	150.79	APPIN CHURCH ST

### A.2 SIMULATED ANNUAL TOTALS

The following plots show the simulated distribution of annual totals compared to the observed distribution at each of the 52 daily rainfall sites. The plots correspond to the same order of sites as listed in Table A.2 when read from left to right, top to bottom. The distributions are plotted against a normal probability-axis. The lines correspond to 0.05, 0.5, 0.95 simulated order statistics at each quantile. The mean of this distribution is matched exactly for each site owing to the scaling methodology. Reasons for undersimulating the variance of this distribution are discussed in Chapter 7























### A.3 SIMULATED EXTREME VALUES

The following plots show the simulated distribution of extreme values compared to observed values, first for the 24 pluviograph gauges and secondly for the 52 daily rainfall sites. The plots correspond to the same order of sites as listed in Table A.1 and Table A.2 when read from left to right, top to bottom. The distributions are plotted against a Gumbel probability-axis. The lines correspond to 0.05, 0.5, 0.95 simulated order statistics at each quantile. For the pluviograph gauges the 1-hour and 6-hour extreme values are compared and for the daily sites the 24 hours extreme values are compared. To ensure a comparison of like-with-like, the simulated data was binned into 24-hour aggregates before extracting maxima.

Extreme value distributions provide a good test of the model because they are not used in the calibration, and there is no parameter that directly 'fixes' an aspect of these distributions. The pluviograph gauges show a reasonable comparison for most, but not all gauges. At least three gauges consistently oversimulate the distribution of 1-hour and 6-hour extremes. The daily gauges are better in this regard, but the observed extremes exhibit a skewness that is not reproduced by the model (i.e. the mid-region of the simulated distribution is too low). There is considerable difficulty in improving these fit to these statistics, as gains in one statistic or at one site can yield poorer comparisons when inspecting other statistics or other sites.















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# Appendix B Bourke Case Study

**B.1 OBSERVED SOI PARTITIONED ANNUAL EXTREMES** 

![](_page_43_Figure_1.jpeg)

**Figure B.1** Annual extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters.

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**Figure B.2** Annual extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters.

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**Figure B.3** Annual extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters.

### **B.2** OBSERVED SOI PARTITIONED SUMMER EXTREMES

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**Figure B.4** Summer extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 1-6.

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**Figure B.5** Summer extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 7-12.

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**Figure B.6** Summer extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 13-16.

### **B.3** OBSERVED SOI PARTITIONED WINTER EXTREMES

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**Figure B.7** Winter extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 1-6.

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**Figure B.8** Winter extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 7-12.

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**Figure B.9** Winter extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke partitioned by +ve/-ve phases of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 13-16.

## B.4 OBSERVED SEASONALLY PARTITIONED SOI+ EXTREMES

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**Figure B.10** Annual and 6-month seasonal extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke for +ve phase of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 1-6.

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**Figure B.11** Annual and 6-month seasonal extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke for +ve phase of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 7-12.

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**Figure B.12** Annual and 6-month seasonal extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke for +ve phase of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 13-16.

### B.5 OBSERVED SEASONALLY PARTITIONED SOI- EXTREMES

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**Figure B.13** Annual and 6-month seasonal extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke for -ve phase of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 1-6.

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**Figure B.14** Annual and 6-month seasonal extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke for -ve phase of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 7-12.

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**Figure B.15** Annual and 6-month seasonal extremes of daily rainfall at Bourke for -ve phase of the SOI. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. 95% Confidence intervals obtained from the distribution of estimates of the Gumbel parameters. Sites 13-16.

#### **B.6 COMPARISON OF OBSERVED AND SIMULATED EXTREMES**

The figures in this section compare extreme values irrespective of the phase of the SOI. Separate comparisons for SOI partitioned extremes have been omitted, but show a similar quality of fit.

The simulated confidence limits are from 1000 replicated series each having 100 years of 24 hour data. Note that the number of observed extremes is not in the vicinity of 100 at some of the sites, so the observed sampling variability will differ from the simulated sampling variability.

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**Figure B.16** L.H.S. compares observed annual extremes with the median and 95% limits of extremes from simulated daily records. R.H.S. figures compare observed 6-month seasonal extremes with simulated confidence limits. Simulated values from 1000 replicates of 100-year records. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. Sites 1-3.

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**Figure B.17** L.H.S. compares observed annual extremes with the median and 95% limits of extremes from simulated daily records. R.H.S. figures compare observed 6-month seasonal extremes with simulated confidence limits. Simulated values from 1000 replicates of 100-year records. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. Sites 4-6.

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**Figure B.18** L.H.S. compares observed annual extremes with the median and 95% limits of extremes from simulated daily records. R.H.S. figures compare observed 6-month seasonal extremes with simulated confidence limits. Simulated values from 1000 replicates of 100-year records. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. Sites 7-9.

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**Figure B.19** L.H.S. compares observed annual extremes with the median and 95% limits of extremes from simulated daily records. R.H.S. figures compare observed 6-month seasonal extremes with simulated confidence limits. Simulated values from 1000 replicates of 100-year records. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. Sites 10-12.

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**Figure B.20** L.H.S. compares observed annual extremes with the median and 95% limits of extremes from simulated daily records. R.H.S. figures compare observed 6-month seasonal extremes with simulated confidence limits. Simulated values from 1000 replicates of 100-year records. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. Sites 13-15.

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**Figure B.21** L.H.S. compares observed annual extremes with the median and 95% limits of extremes from simulated daily records. R.H.S. figures compare observed 6-month seasonal extremes with simulated confidence limits. Simulated values from 1000 replicates of 100-year records. Probabilities shown using a Gumbel axis. Site 16.