



## Supplement of

## Assessing storm surge model performance: what error indicators can measure the model's skill?

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Figure S1: Scatter plots and metrics for the validation of the proposed metrics, MADp and MADc. (a) Observation vs model with half amplitude and same phase; (b) Observation vs model with same amplitude and phase shifted.



Figure S2: Probability Density Estimates (PDE) and Empiricial Cumulative Distribution Function (ECDF), CNR platform. (a) 10 PDE for the total amount of data; (b) PDE for values above 99th percentile of the observed data; (c) ECDF for the total amount of data; (d) ECDF for values above the 99th percentile of the observed data.



Figure S3: Probability Density Estimates (PDE) and Empiricial Cumulative Distribution Function (ECDF), Punta della Salute. (a) PDE for the total amount of data; (b) PDE for values above 99th percentile of the observed data; (c) ECDF for the total amount of data; (d) ECDF for values above the 99th percentile of the observed data.



35 Figure S4: Probability Density Estimates (PDE) and Empiricial Cumulative Distribution Function (ECDF), Caorle. (a) PDE for the total amount of data; (b) PDE for values above 99th percentile of the observed data; (c) ECDF for the total amount of data; (d) ECDF for values above the 99th percentile of the observed data.



Figure S5: Probability Density Estimates (PDE) and Empiricial Cumulative Distribution Function (ECDF), Grado. (a) PDE for the total amount of data; (b) PDE for values above 99th percentile of the observed data; (c) ECDF for the total amount of data; (d) ECDF for values above the 99th percentile of the observed data.



Figure S6: Probability Density Estimates (PDE) and Empiricial Cumulative Distribution Function (ECDF), Monfalcone. (a) PDE for the total amount of data; (b) PDE for values above 99th percentile of the observed data; (c) ECDF for the total amount of data; (d) ECDF for values above the 99th percentile of the observed data.



Figure S7: Probability Density Estimates (PDE) and Empiricial Cumulative Distribution Function (ECDF), Trieste. (a) PDE for the total amount of data; (b) PDE for values above 99th percentile of the observed data; (c) ECDF for the total amount of data; (d) ECDF for values above the 99th percentile of the observed data.