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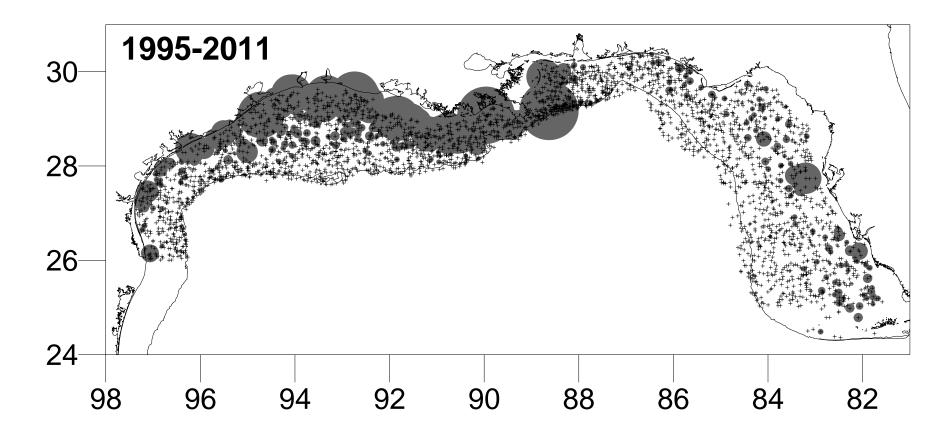
Relative abundance indices were developed for blacktip shark for the Gulf of Mexico (GOM) based on data collected during NMFS Bottom Longline Surveys (BLL) from 1995-2011. The survey methodologies have been detailed in numerous past SEDAR documents and will not be reiterated herein. However, there was an additional amount of data incorporated into the modeling process from an expansion of survey effort during 2011. This extra data was collected using current survey methodologies, and the only expanded survey data used was that collected in the Gulf during the time of the regular BLL, this resulted in a doubling of survey effort during the standard survey time.

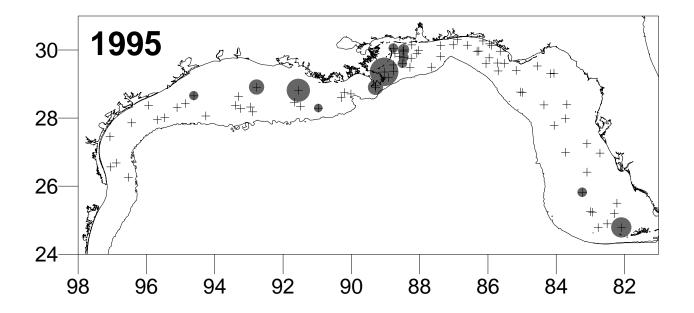
To develop standardized indices of annual average CPUE (# per 100 hook-hours) for blacktip shark for the GOM, a delta-lognormal model, as described by Lo et al. (1992), was employed. This index is a mathematical combination of yearly CPUE estimates from two distinct generalized linear models: a binomial (logistic) model which describes proportion of positive CPUE values (i.e., presence/absence) and lognormal model which describes variability in only the nonzero CPUE data. A backward selection approach, while using the GLMMIX and MIXED procedures (Patetta, 2002) in SAS, was employed to provide yearly index values for both the binomial and lognormal submodels, respectively. The parameters tested for inclusion in each sub-model were survey year, area, hook type. For this study, there were three area demarcations in the GOM: Eastern Gulf (east of 88° west longitude); Central Gulf (between 88° and 93° west longitude); and Western Gulf (west of 93° west longitude). Also, as described in previous documents (LCS05/06-DW-27, SEDAR 13-DW-22), hook-type changed over time from J to circle-hooks (Chooks). For the binomial models, a logistic-type mixed model was employed. The fit of each model was evaluated using the fit statistics provided by the GLMMIX macro.

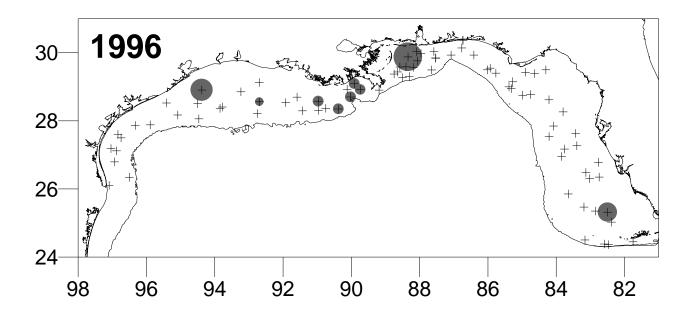
The following figures and tables summarize the length of individuals collected, the model building results, the abundance indices, the results of residual analyses and the distribution of effort and catch.

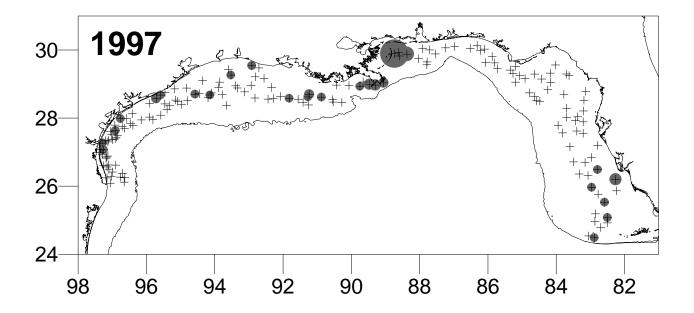
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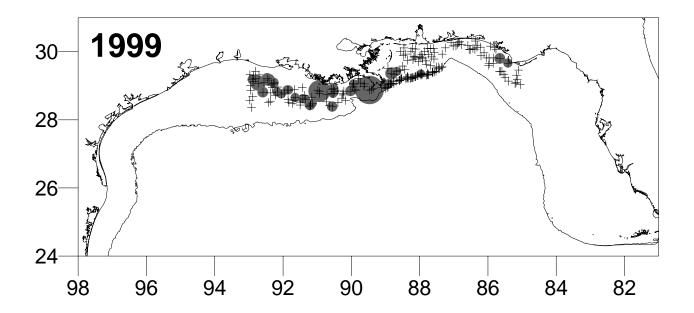
Appendix I. Blacktip Shark Bottom Longline Distribution Maps

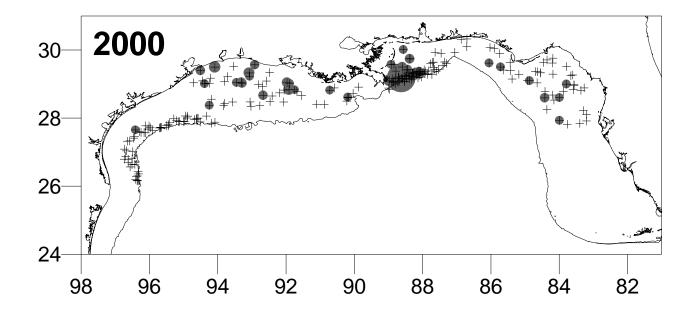


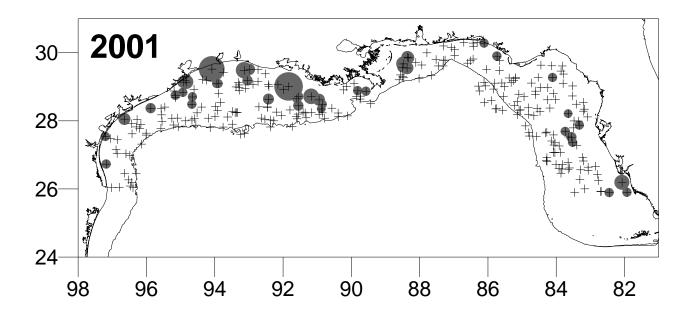


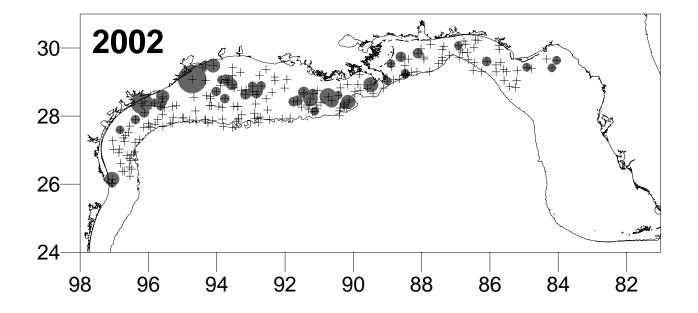


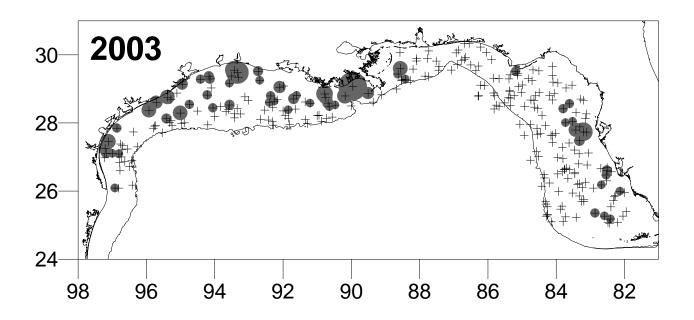


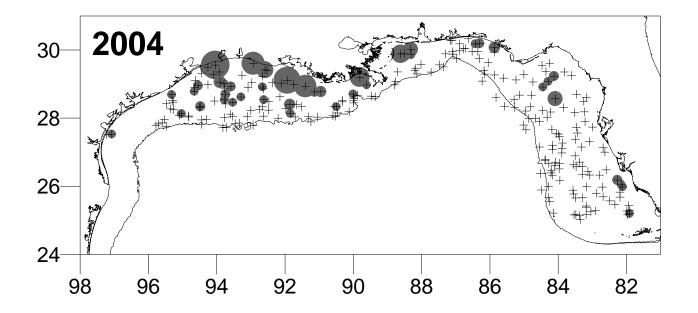


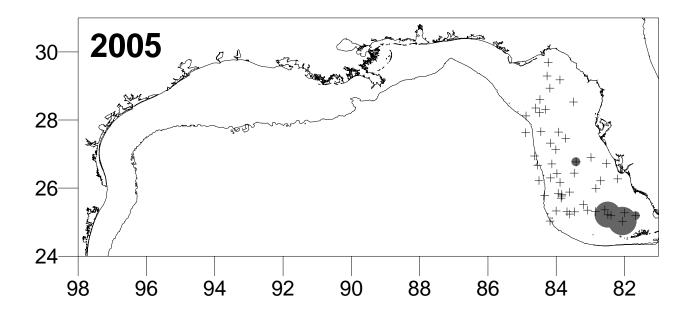


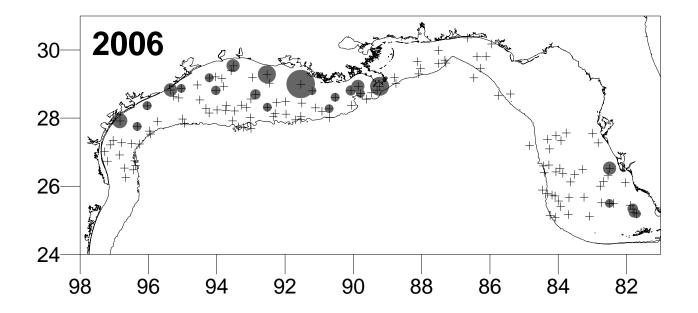


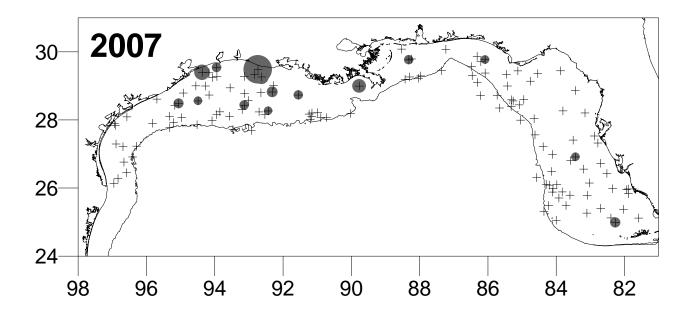


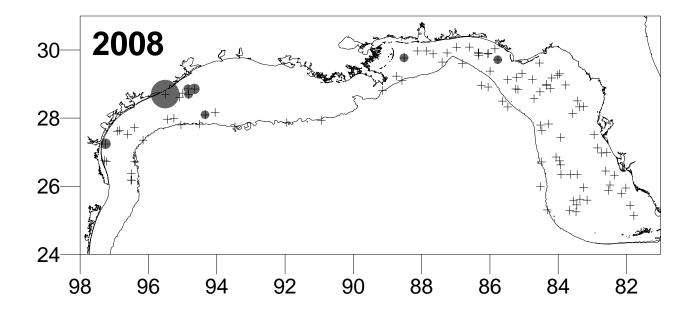


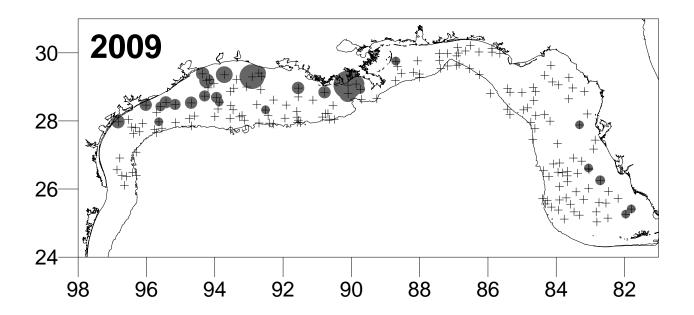


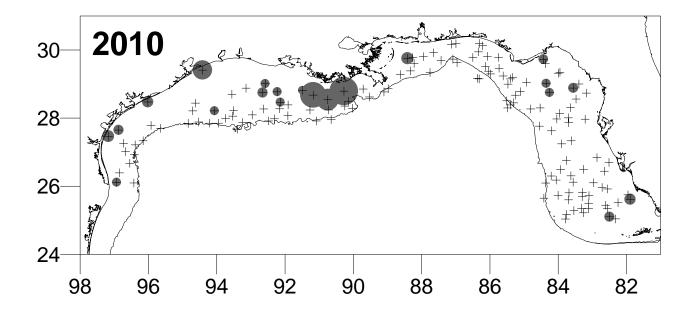


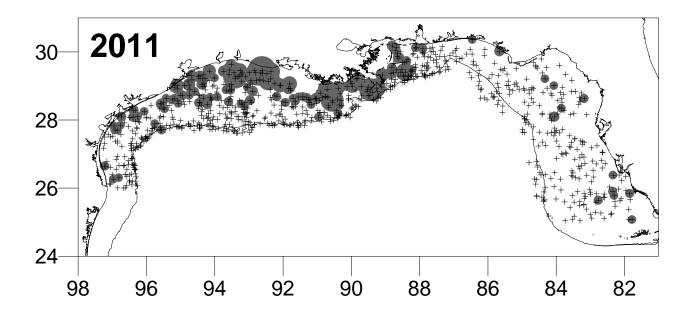




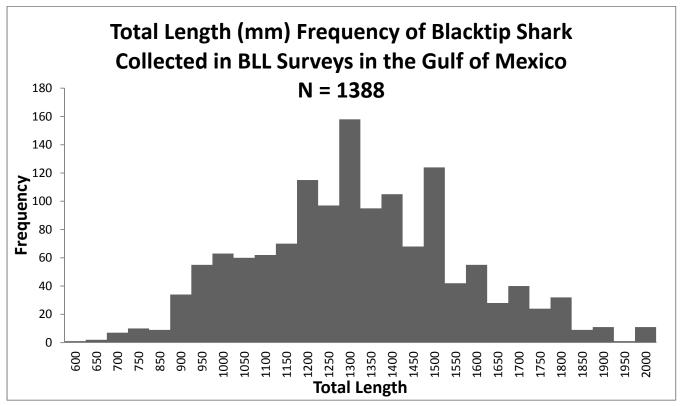


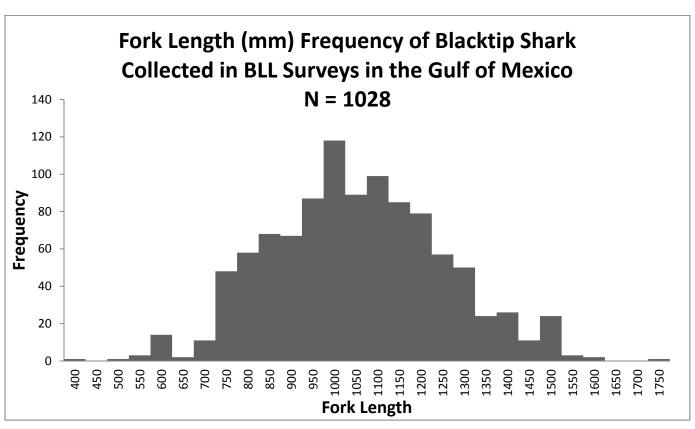


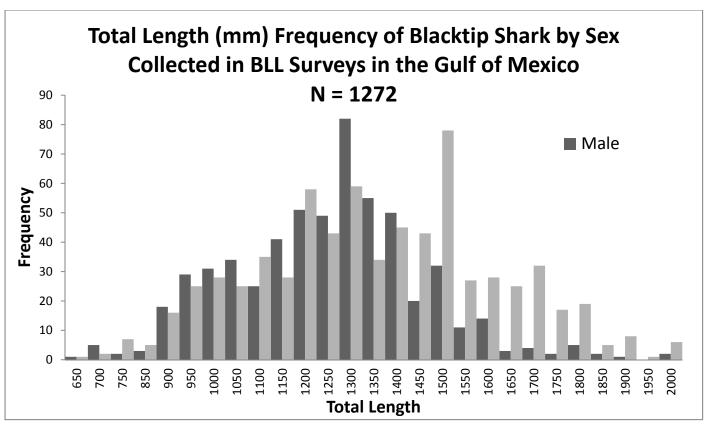


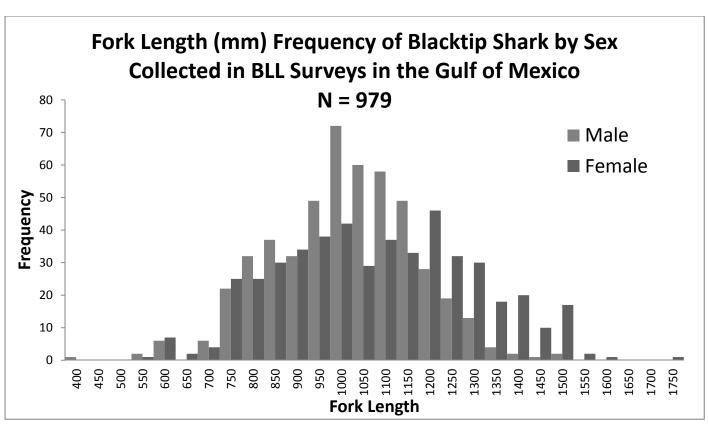


Appendix II. Length Frequency and Modeling Results



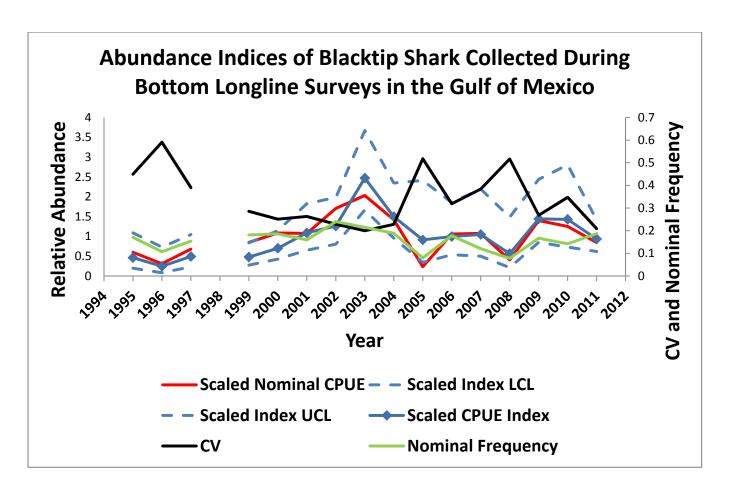






Type 3 Tests of Fixed Effects for the Binomial Submodel							
	Num	Den					
Effect	DF	DF	Chi-Square	F Value	Pr > ChiSq	Pr > F	
YEAR	15	866	30.29	2.00	0.0109	0.0131	
AREA	2	2679	170.66	85.33	<.0001	<.0001	
hook	1	456	7.05	7.05	0.0079	0.0082	

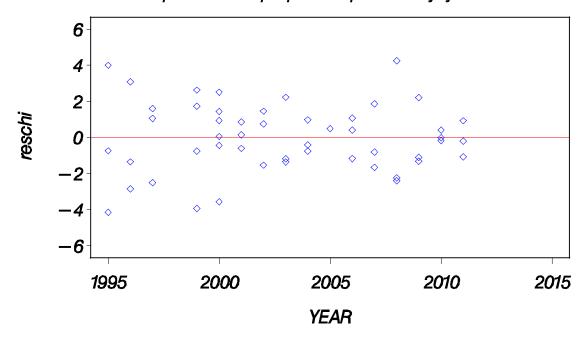
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AREA	2	500	15.14	<.0001			
hook	1	500	6.00	0.0146			



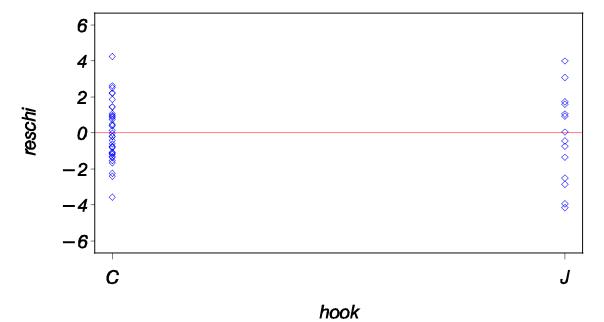
Survey Year	Nominal Frequency	N	Index (# per 100 hook-hours)	Scaled Nominal CPUE	Scaled CPUE Index	CV	Scaled Index LCL	Scaled Index UCL
1995	0.17073	82	0.26355	0.59745	0.46149	0.44949	0.19569	1.08834
1996	0.10714	84	0.13937	0.30971	0.24404	0.59065	0.08171	0.72883
1997	0.15385	169	0.28051	0.67588	0.49119	0.3904	0.23126	1.04326
1998		0						
1999	0.181	221	0.27263	0.84808	0.4774	0.28551	0.27273	0.83566
2000	0.18565	237	0.3989	1.08305	0.6985	0.25088	0.42616	1.14489
2001	0.15942	276	0.62099	1.07275	1.0874	0.26287	0.64843	1.82353
2002	0.23982	221	0.72048	1.70412	1.26162	0.22856	0.80339	1.98121
2003	0.21429	280	1.41035	2.03087	2.46962	0.19977	1.66266	3.66821
2004	0.18876	248	0.8544	1.41833	1.49611	0.22787	0.95398	2.34633
2005	0.08	50	0.51967	0.23452	0.90998	0.5176	0.34344	2.41107
2006	0.17778	135	0.56822	1.0575	0.99499	0.31874	0.53411	1.85356
2007	0.1203	133	0.59725	1.07321	1.04582	0.38351	0.49854	2.19388
2008	0.07767	103	0.32061	0.40492	0.56142	0.51642	0.2123	1.4846
2009	0.16667	180	0.82199	1.39701	1.43936	0.26807	0.84987	2.43772
2010	0.14189	148	0.8156	1.25035	1.42817	0.34712	0.72746	2.80382
2011	0.18676	423	0.53276	0.84224	0.93291	0.20879	0.61719	1.41013

Appendix III. Residual Analysis

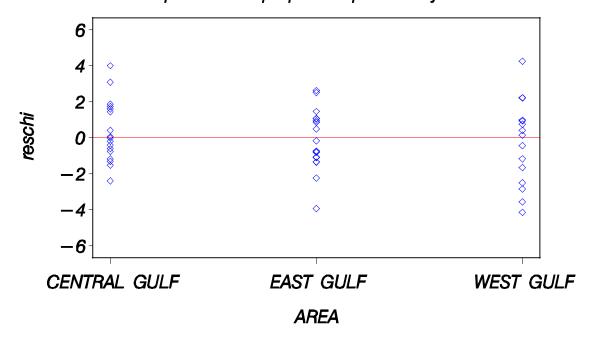
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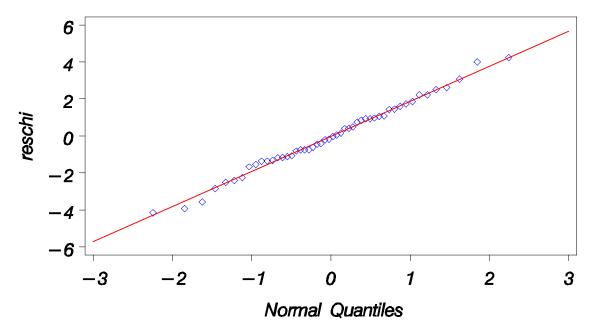
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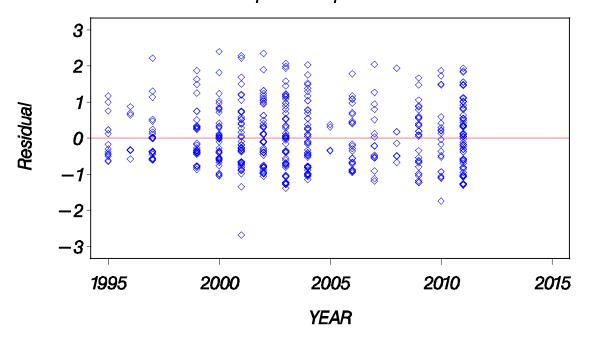
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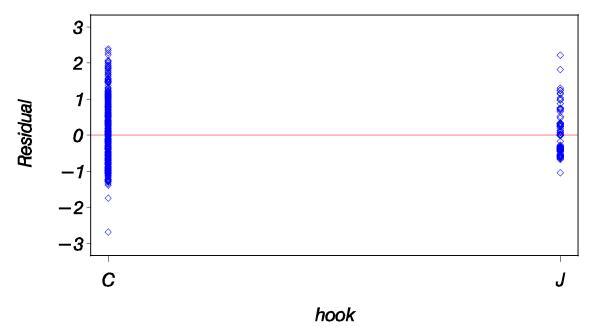
Delta lognormal CPUE for Gulf with all years and areas blacktip QQplot Residuals proportion positive



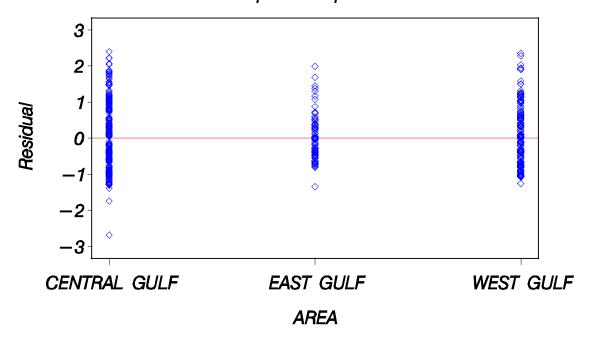
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Delta lognormal CPUE for Gulf with all years and areas blacktip Residuals positive cpue * area



Delta lognormal CPUE for Gulf with all years and areas blacktip QQplot Residuals Positive cpue rates

