

# DSR separation for spatial management

Two methods:

1. Multivariate analyses of life history and vulnerabilities
2. VAST (spatio-temporal) modelling of distribution

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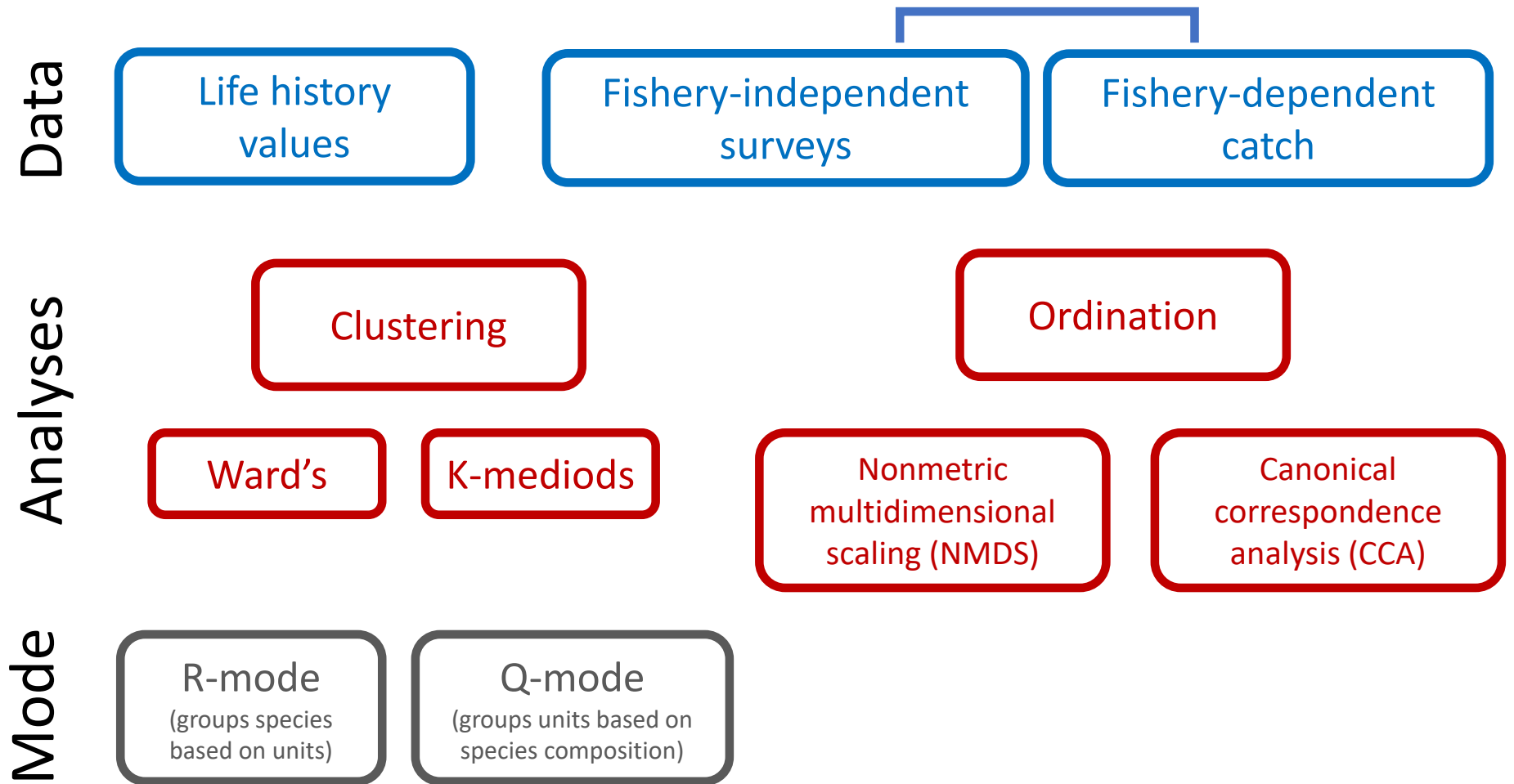
# Method 1:

Compare and contrast multivariate analyses to form or validate the assignment of species to complexes



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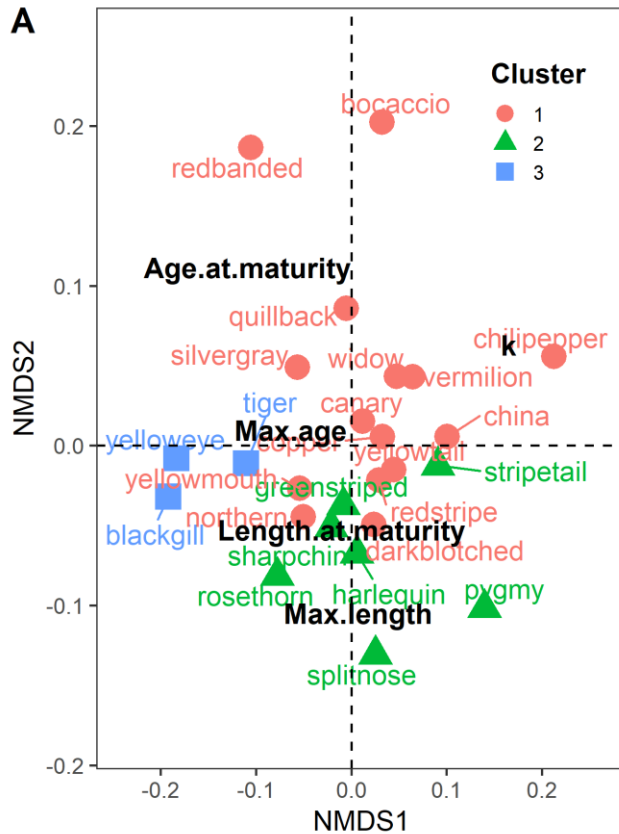
# Life history results

Trait	OROX	DSR
Max Age	66 (26 - 106)	87 (50 - 117)
Age-at-maturity	8 (2.5 - 21)	9 (4 - 22)
Length-at-maturity (mm)	329 (200 - 460)	339 (210 - 480)
Max Length (mm)	485 (230 - 909)	516 (319 - 644)
k	0.13 (0.04 - 0.25)	0.12 (0.05 - 0.19)

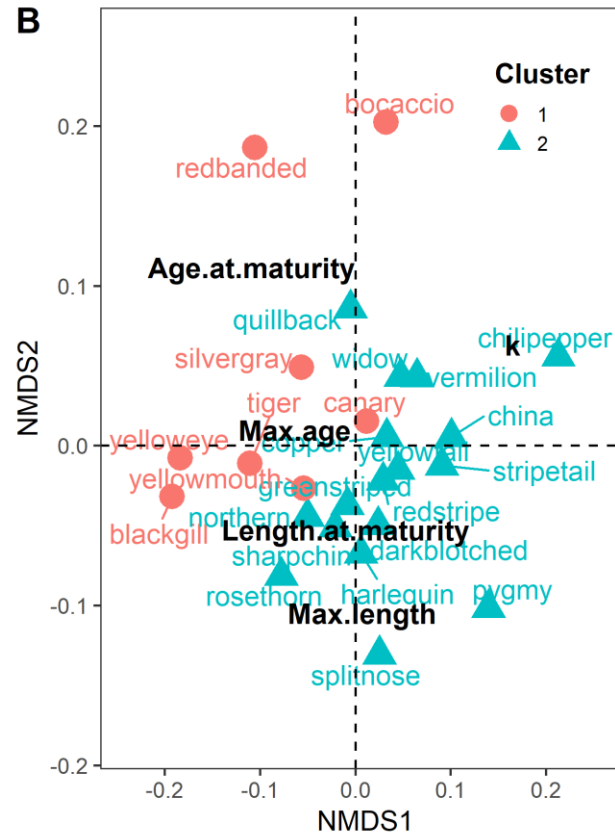
Average  
(min – max)

# Life history results

## Ward's



## K-mediods



No. of DSR species

	Ward's	K-mediods
Cluster 1	4	3
Cluster 2	1	4
Cluster 3	2	

# Combined (single) survey & catch datasets

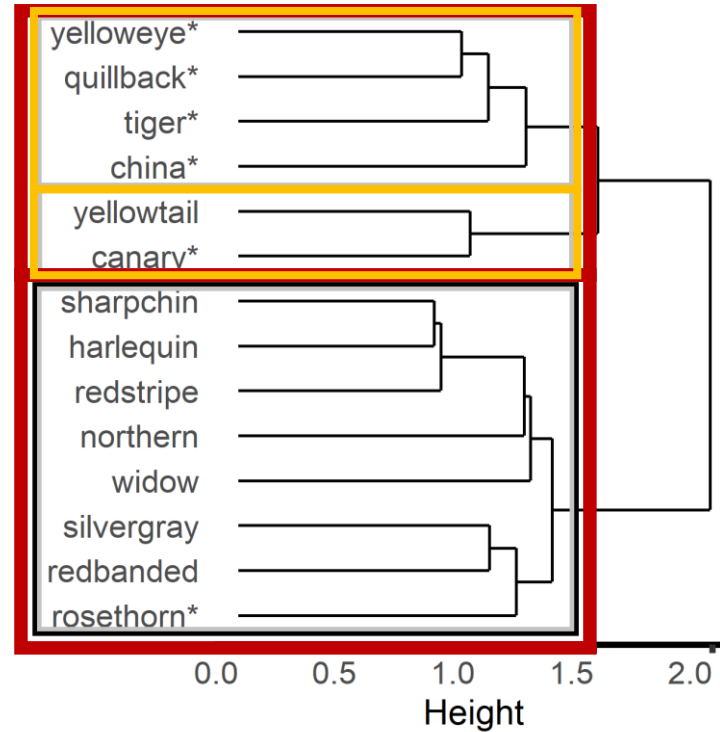
**Unit = Gear-Year-Month-Subarea**

<u>Gear</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Subarea</u>
<b><i>Fishery:</i></b>			
Non-pelagic trawl (NPT)	2010-2017	Jan-Dec	
Pelagic trawl (PTR)	2010-2017	Jan-Dec	610 (WGOA)
Longline (Hook&Line; LL)	2010-2017	Jan-Dec	620 (CGOA)
Jig	2010-2017	Jan-Dec	630 (CGOA)
Pot	2010-2017	Jan-Dec	640 (EGOA)
<b><i>Survey:</i></b>			
Longline	1995-2017	Jun-Aug	650 (EGOA)
Trawl	1984-2017	May-Aug	

# Ward's results (R-mode)

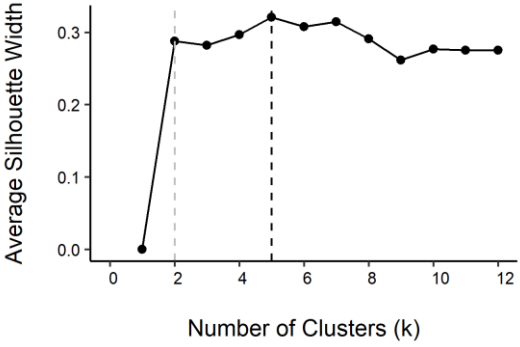
## R-mode

(groups species based on units)



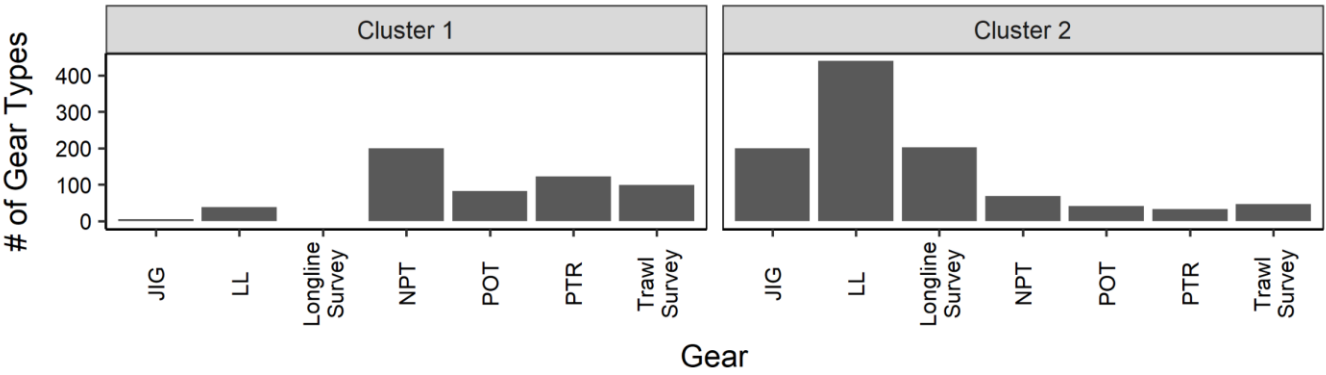
\* = DSR species

# K-mediods results (Q-mode)

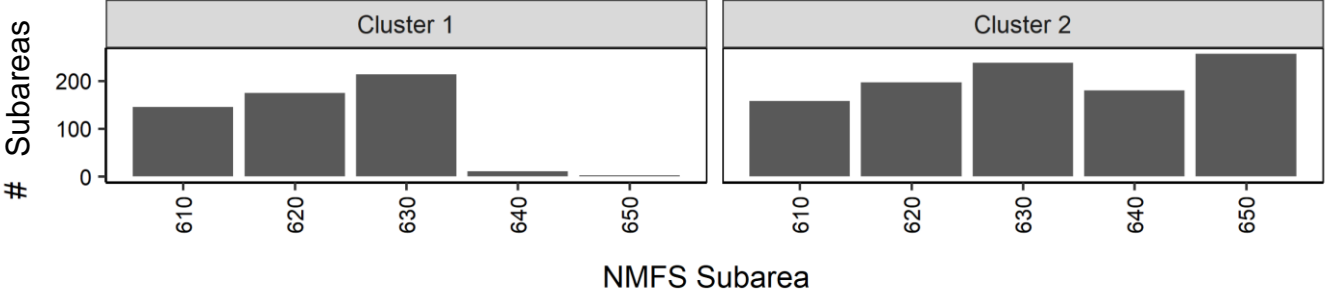


**Q-mode**  
(groups units based on species composition)

**A**



**B**



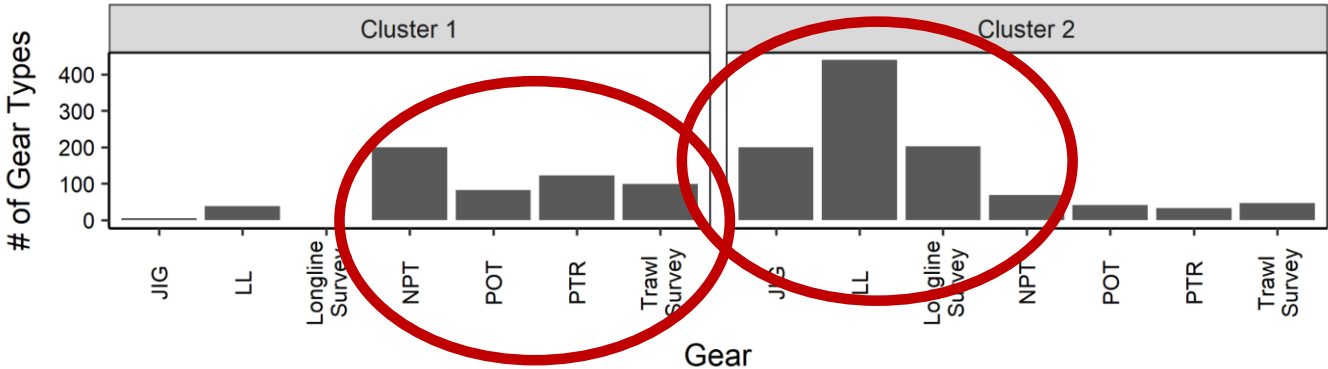


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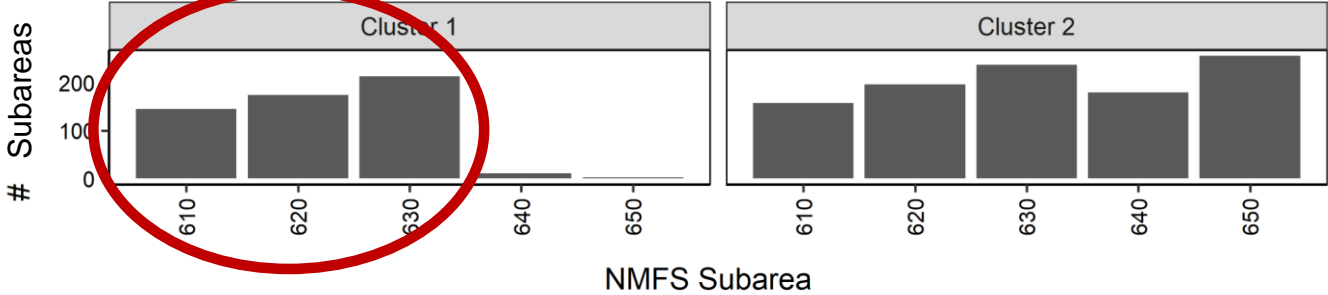
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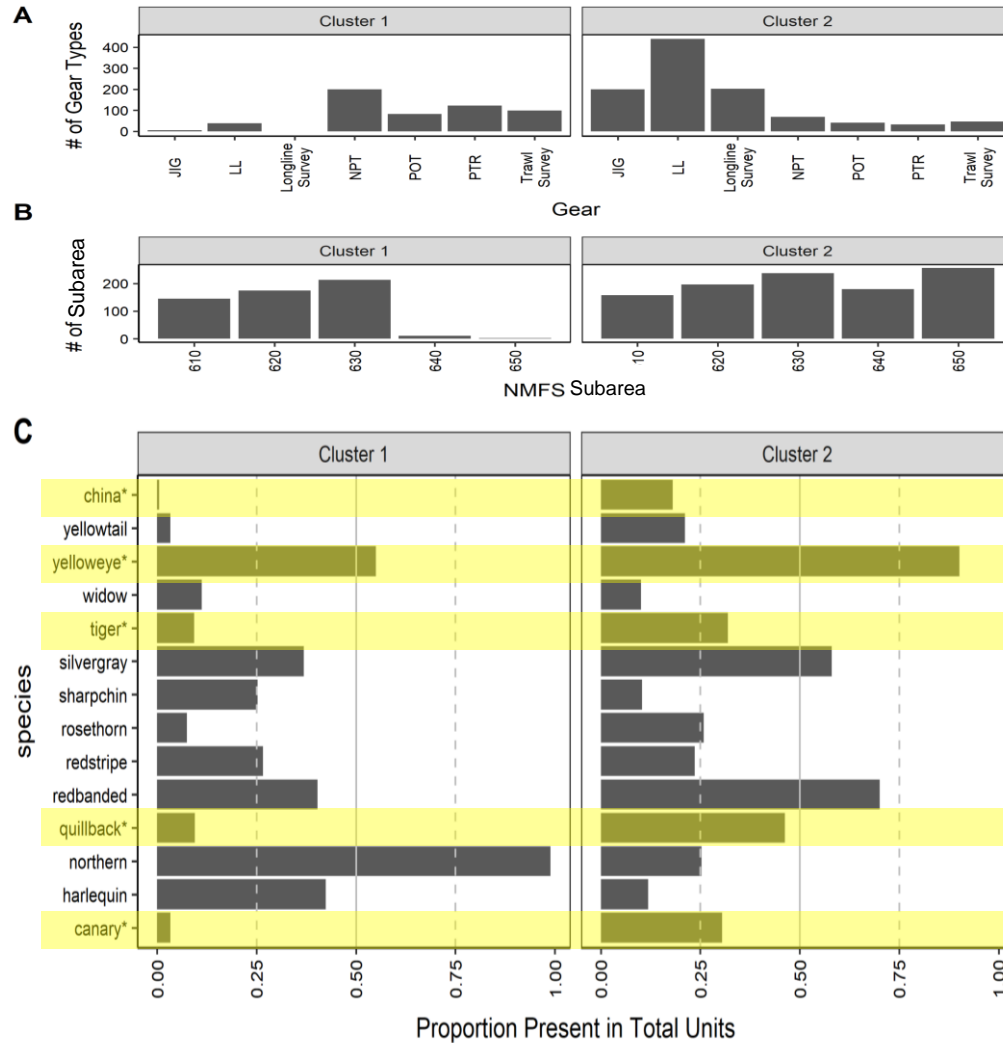
**B**



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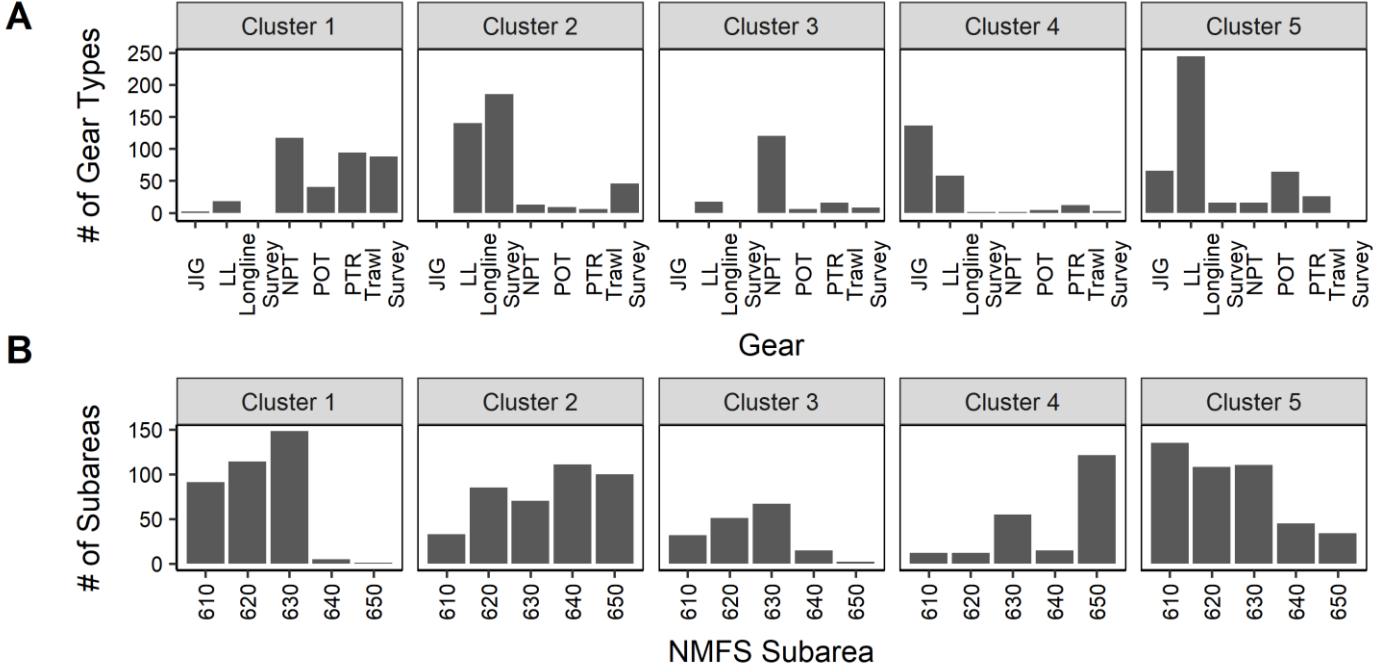
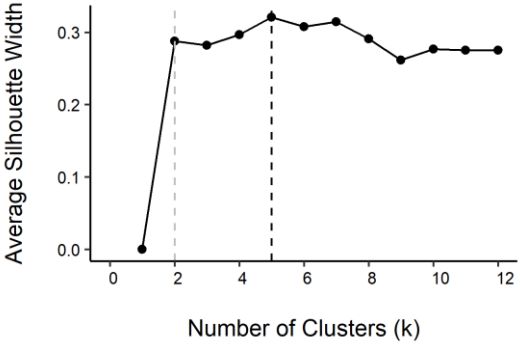
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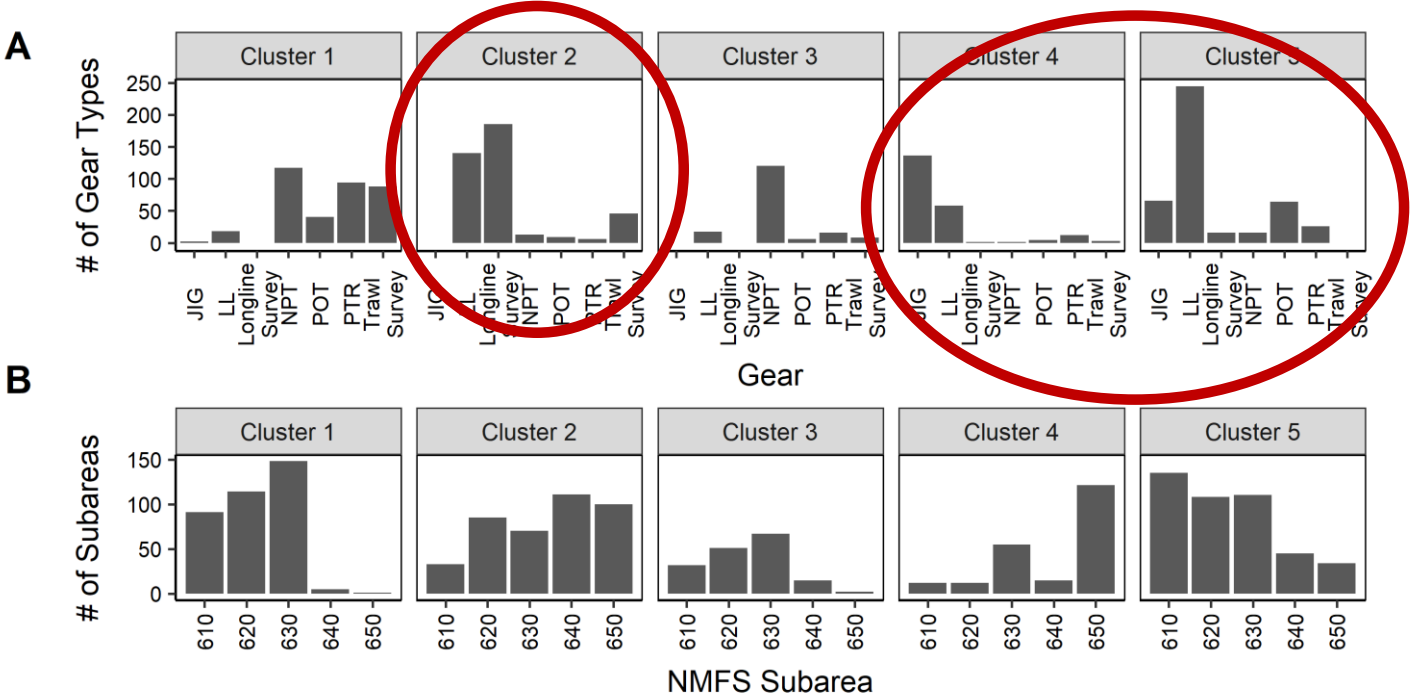
Higher proportion of DSR species in Cluster 2

DSR species

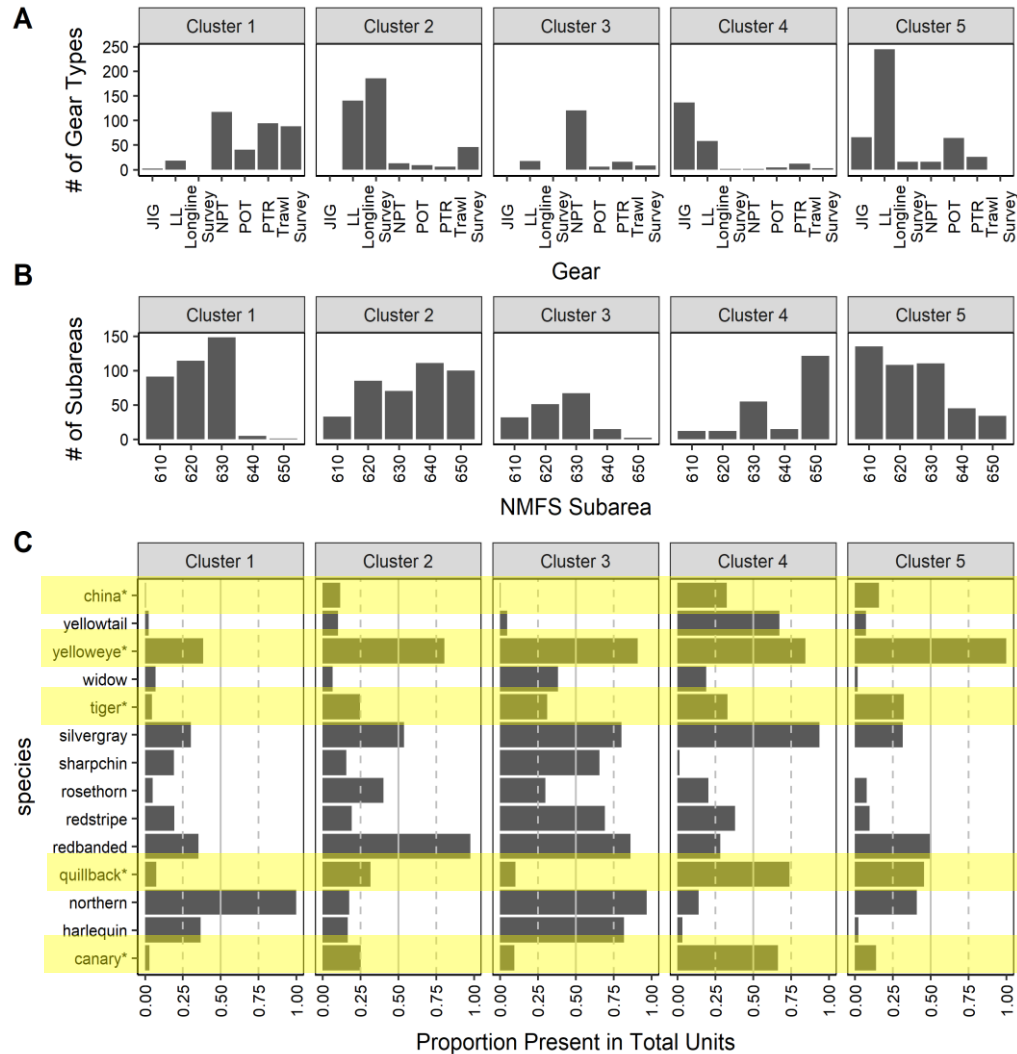
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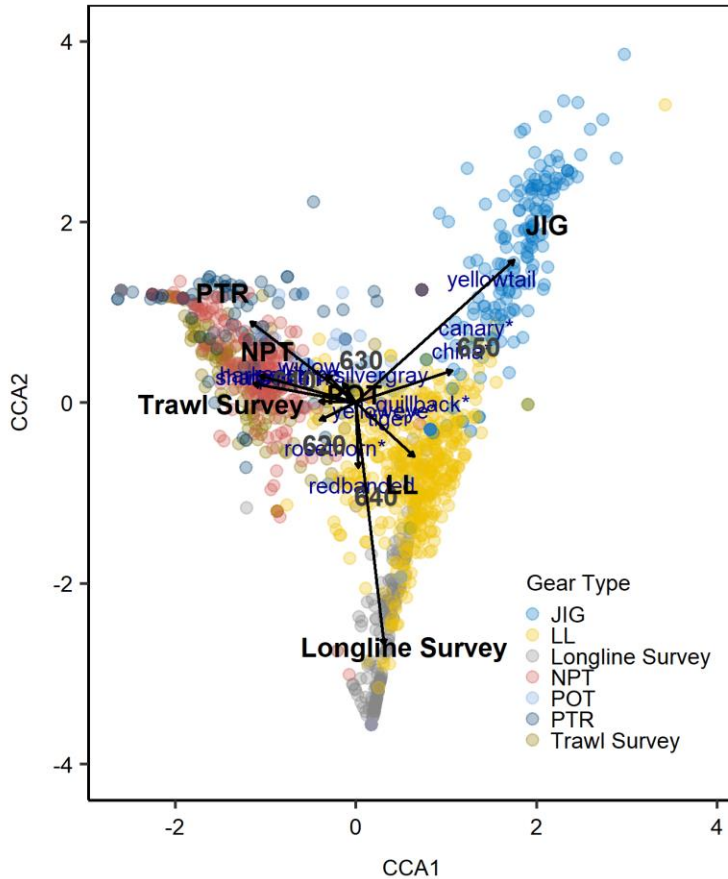
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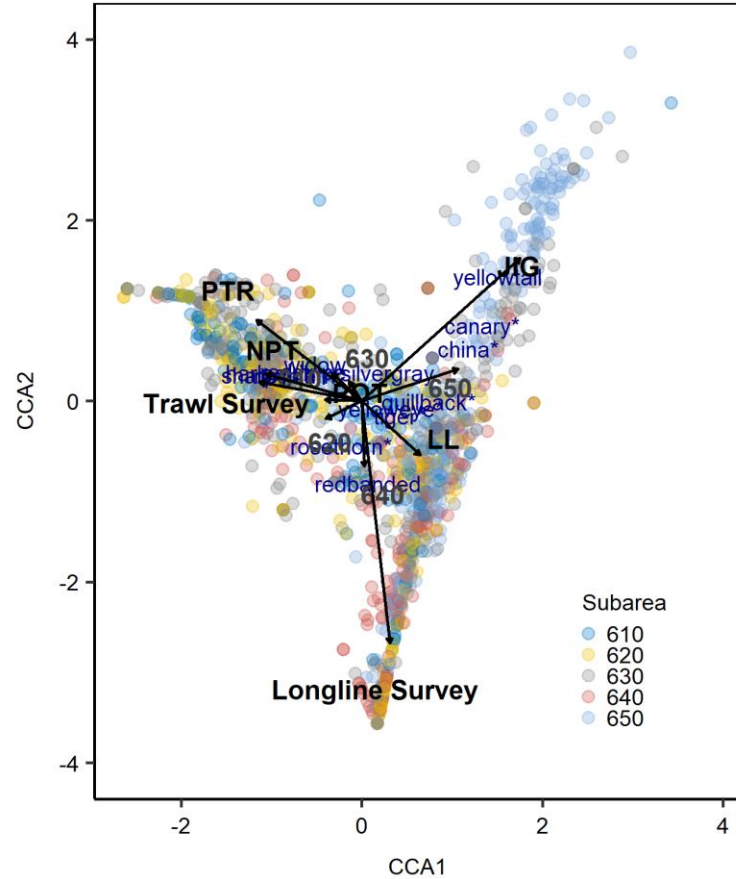
Higher proportion of DSR species in Cluster 2, 4, & 5

DSR species

# CCA



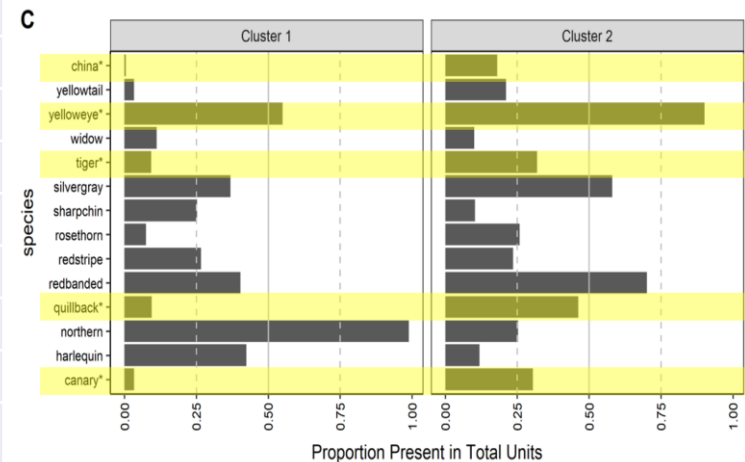
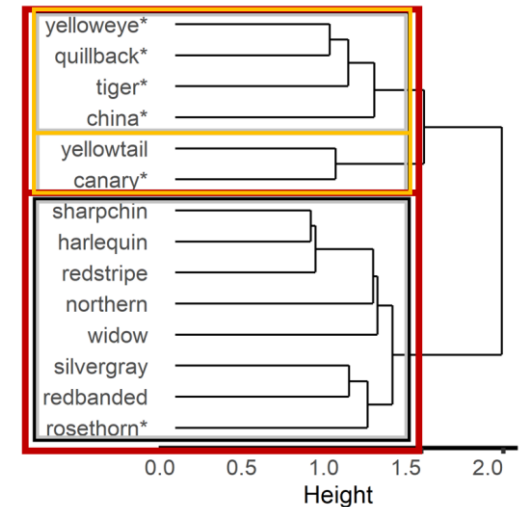
- Distinct groups of LL, Jig, and Longline Survey.
- Mixed trawling gear types.



- Mixed strata (i.e., subarea)

# Multivariate analyses conclusions

GOA Other Rockfish (Trawl gear and pot fishery)	GOA Demersal Shelf Rockfish (Longline gear)
<i>blackgill</i>	<i>canary</i>
<i>bocaccio</i>	<i>china</i>
<i>chilipepper</i>	<i>copper</i>
<i>darkblotched</i>	<i>quillback</i>
<i>greenstriped</i>	<i>rosethorn</i>
<i>harlequin</i>	<i>tiger</i>
<i>northern</i>	<i>yelloweye</i>
<i>pygmy</i>	
<i>redbanded</i>	
<i>redstripe</i>	
<i>sharpchin</i>	
<i>silvergray</i>	
<i>splitnose</i>	
<i>stripetail</i>	
<i>vermillion</i>	
<i>widow</i>	
<i>yellowmouth</i>	
<i>yellowtail</i>	



## Method 2:

Using VAST (spatio-temporal species distribution model) to examine the spatial and temporal relationships among rockfish



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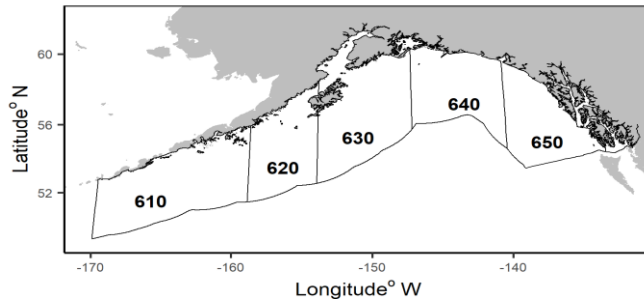
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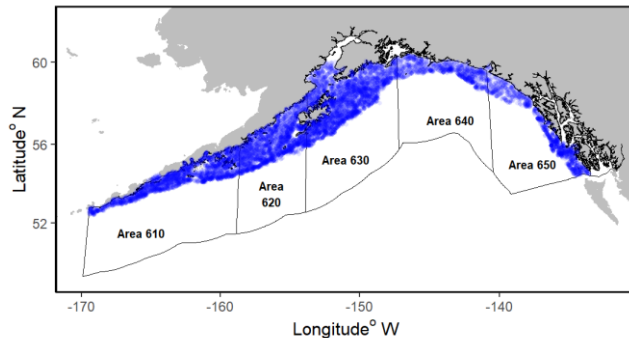


# VAST (Spatio-temporal species distribution model)

Method 1:  
Broad-scale



Method 2:  
Fine-scale



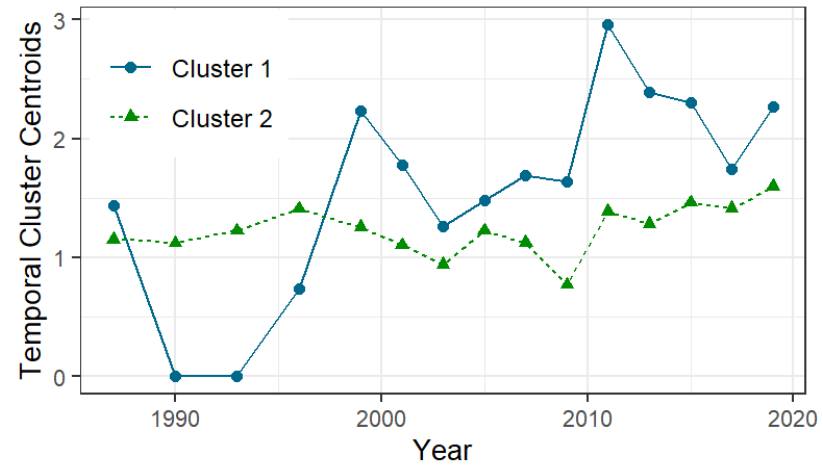
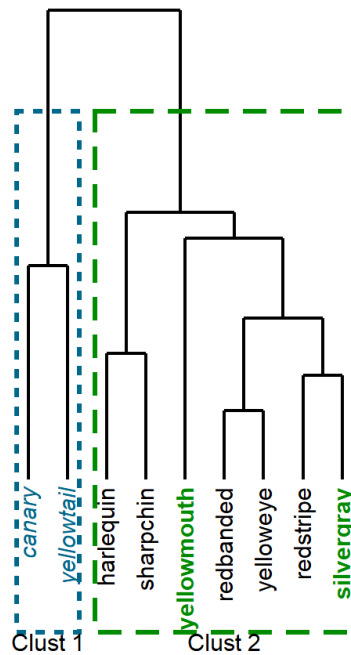
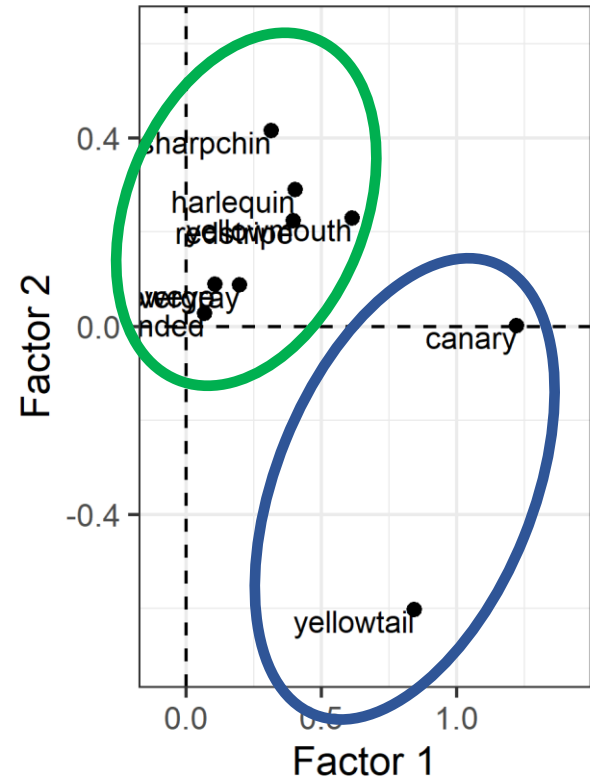
## Model

- Poisson-link delta-gamma
- Temporal variation  $\sim$  random walk
- Spatial variation
- Mesh with 500 knots and  $10 \times 10 \text{ km}^2$  grid
- 9 rockfish ( $> 1\%$  total biomass)

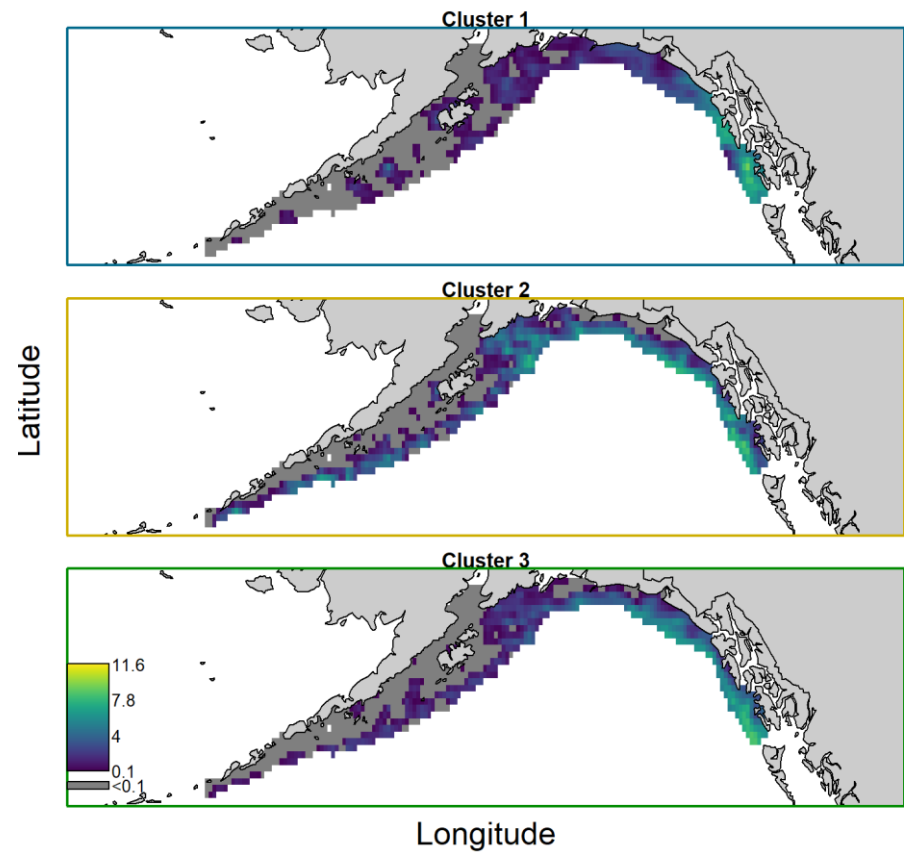
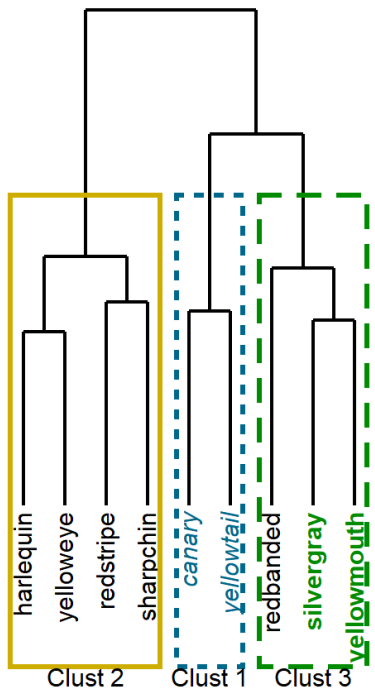
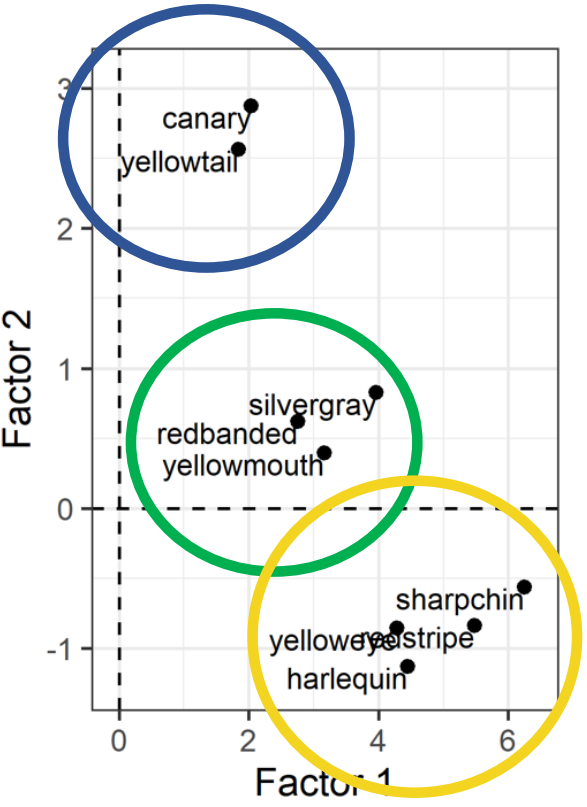
## Derived quantities

- Computed single, joint covariance matrices for the spatial and temporal components
- PCA rotation on spatial and temporal loading matrices
- Applied Ward's clustering on covariance matrices
- Calculated temporal and spatial estimates for each grouping

# Temporal component



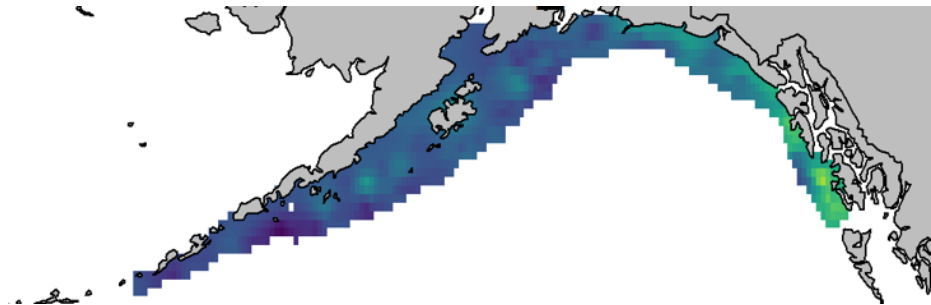
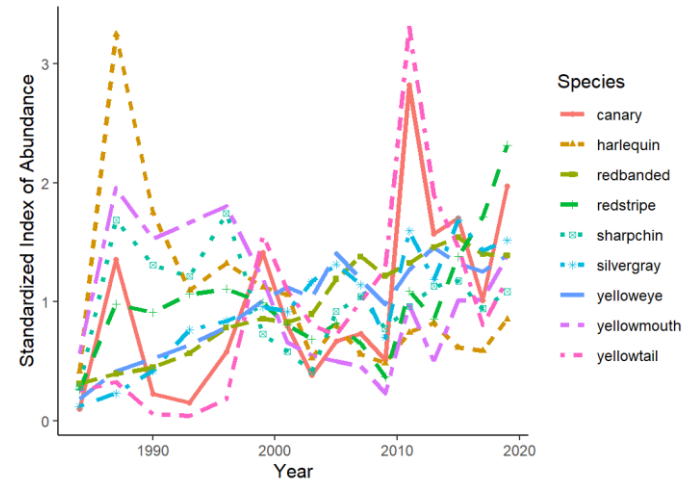
# Spatial component



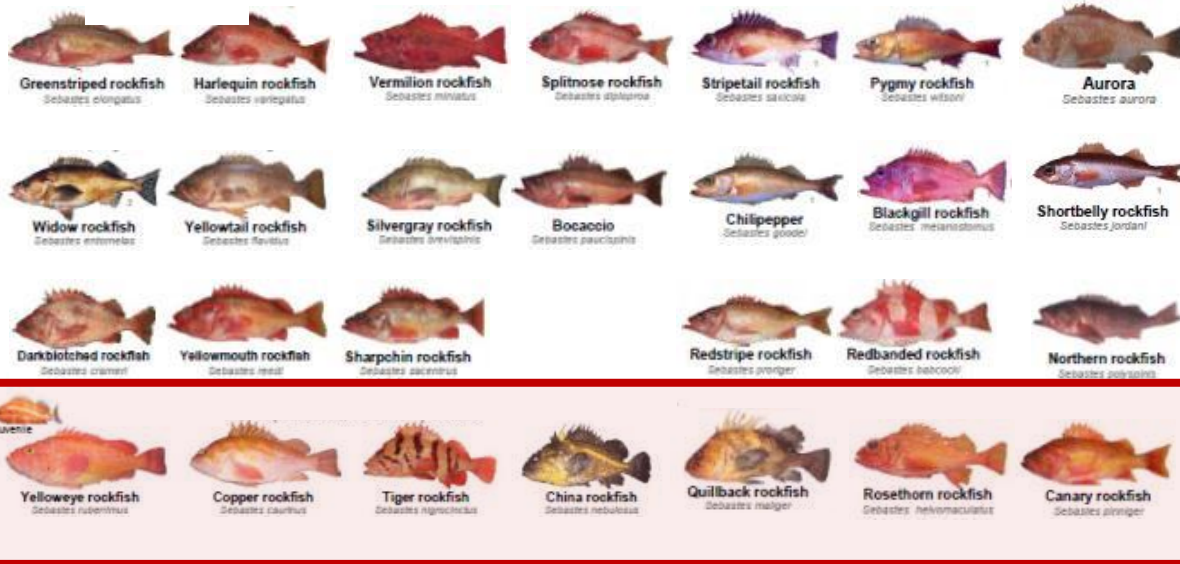
# Conclusions from spatio-temporal species distribution models

## GOA Other Rockfish species:

- Less temporal synchrony
- High spatial overlap for some species
- Canary & yellowtail consistently grouped together
- Note: canary & yelloweye only DSR species included in VAST model

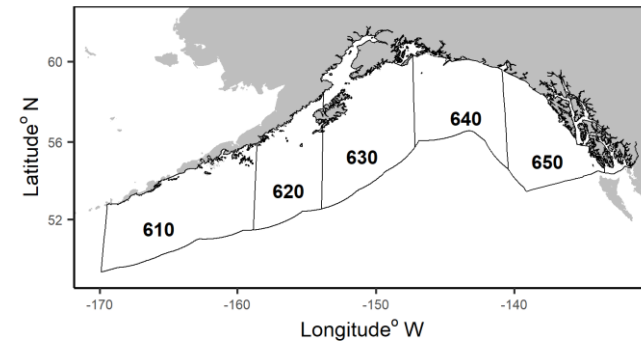


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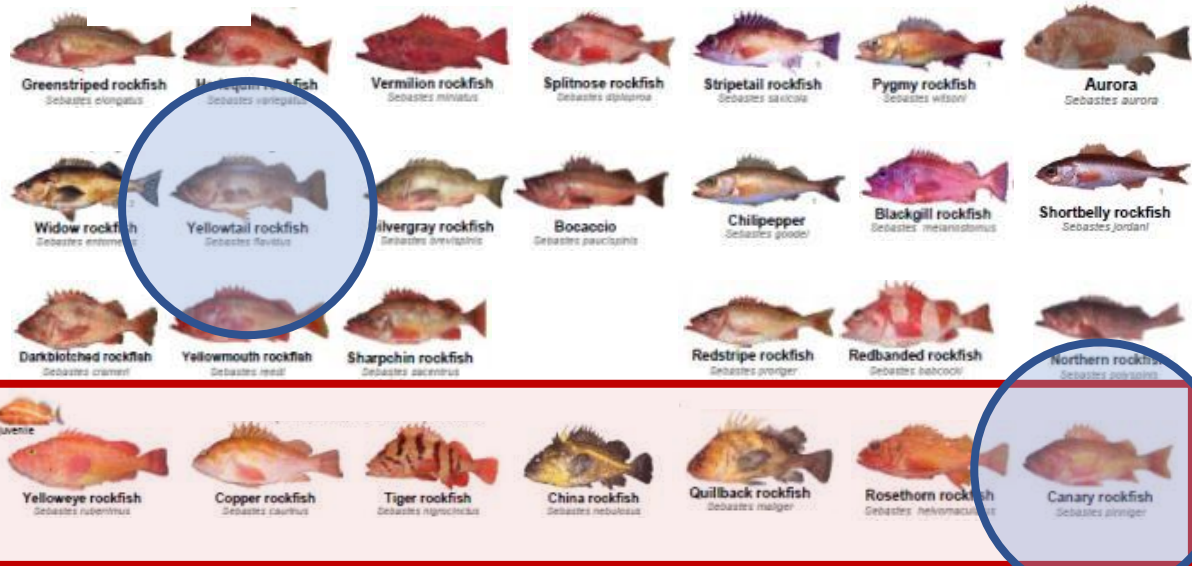


Demersal Shelf Rockfish Complex

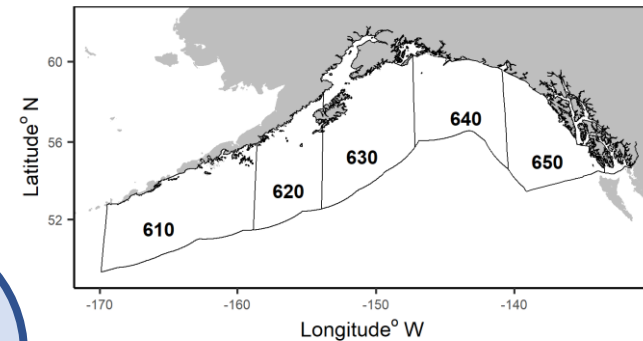
## Gulf-wide



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## Gulf-wide



Demersal Shelf Rockfish Complex

# Request to PT/SSC

*Step 2: With input from the agency, the public, and its advisory bodies, the Council (and NMFS) should identify the economic and management implications and potential options for management response to these findings and identify the suite of tools that could be used to achieve conservation and management goals.*

Guidance or ideas on how to achieve this?

# Step 2???

- Council is requested to initiate a regulatory amendment to modify 50 CFR Part 679 to accommodate changes to both the OR and DSR complexes
- Are there additional economic and management considerations to be addressed by staff?

**EXAMPLE** ABCs and OFL

	Western GOA	Central GOA	Eastern GOA		Total
			West Yakutat	E Yakutat/ Southeast	
Area ABC (t)	46	125	34	238	443
OFL (t)					648