



Alternative HCRs



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 - ii) Evaluating HCRs, considerations for session 1
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- c) SSC Discussion questions / feedback
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 - iii) First phase focal species



a) Overview of ACLIM & GOACLIM simulations



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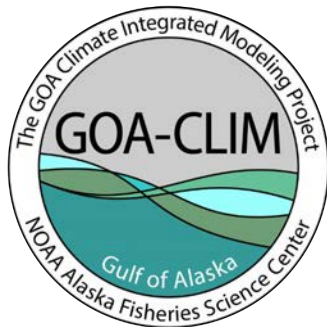
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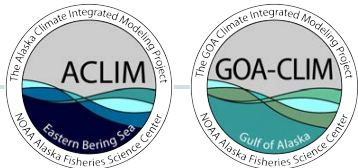
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Integrated Modeling to Evaluate Climate Change Impacts on Coupled Social-Ecological Systems in Alaska

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Gulf of Alaska Climate Integrated Modeling (GOA-CLIM) Project

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The Gulf of Alaska Climate Integrated Modeling (GOA-CLIM) project is an integrated research program that is closely aligned with the Alaska Climate Integrated Modeling (ACLIM) project. This is a multiphase project where the first phase focused on (1) the development, calibration, and skill testing of an end-to-end Atlantis model for the GOA, (2) development of two Ecopath with Ecosim models splitting the GOA into eastern and western portions, (3) refinement of other multispecies models (e.g., Reattle), (4) synthesizing datasets for the ensemble of models, (5) linking continuous Regional Ocean Modeling System (ROMS) simulations from the present to 2100 to ecosystem and stock assessment models, and (6) evaluating the performance of management strategies under different environmental scenarios (e.g., system level optimum yield). The main goals of the current phase, phase two, are to refine the ensemble of environment coupled models (e.g., refine modeling of top predators, refine the fleet structure in Atlantis) and develop a multispecies size spectrum model to include in the ensemble. The ensemble of models will be used to evaluate the performance of harvest control rules and ecosystem caps and will be linked to regional economic models to assess the impacts of environmental scenarios and fisheries management measures on GOA communities.

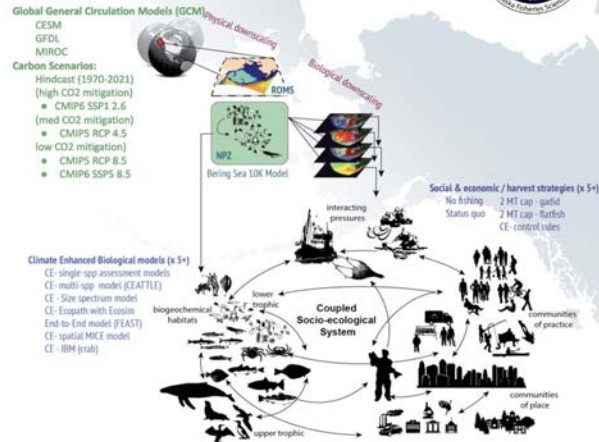
The purpose of this document is to provide a brief description of the ensemble of component models that have been developed or are under development, along with highlights of their model assumptions. The models include Atlantis, Ecopath with Ecosim/Reattle (as a multi-species model and as an extended single-species stock assessment model), a bioeconomics community impact model linked to Reattle, and a multispecies size spectrum model. Though Reattle has utility as a production assessment model in single-species form, the use of all of the GOA-CLIM models for projecting under environmental and harvest scenarios is intended for exploring long-term outcomes and corresponding uncertainty.

Atlantis is a deterministic ecosystem simulation model that comprises physical, food web, and fishery sub-models. The GOA Atlantis model spans the GOA shelf from 170W (NMFs area 610) to Northern BC, using 109 depth-stratified spatial polygons. The physical sub-model is forced using temperature, salinity, and currents output from ROMS for the Northeast Pacific, available for the historical period (1980–2020) and as three CO₂ emission scenarios through 2100. The food web sub-model captures 78 functional groups, including age-structured fish populations representing the FMP groundfish stocks and stock complexes, as well as key predators such as Steller sea lions and seabirds. Model functional groups are connected via trophic interactions, and recruitment of fish populations follow Beverton-Holt stock-recruit relationships. The fishery sub-model allows modeling species-specific fishing mortality, either as fixed rates or as determined dynamically by harvest control rules. Various harvest control rule forms can be reproduced, including the ramped fishing mortality (status quo) control rules used for GOA groundfish, as well as alternative formulations. A notable feature is the ability to model the Optimum Yield cap on FMP groundfish removals, allowing users to evaluate different cap values and species prioritization schemes when recaling harvest specifications if aggregate projected catch exceeds the cap.

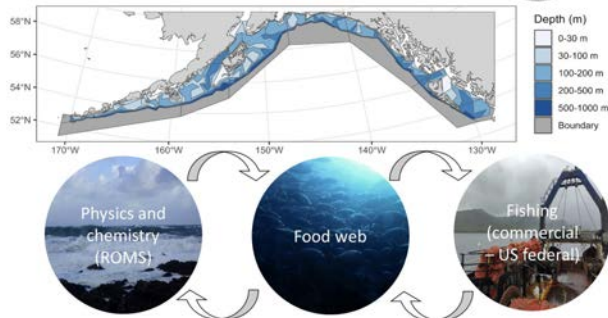


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Alaska Climate Integrated Modeling Project



GOA Climate Integrated Modeling Project (GOA-CLIM)



Goal: To address climate & ecosystem information needs with best available science & tools

What to expect?

- Project physical and ecological conditions under alternative levels of global carbon mitigation
- Characterize uncertainty

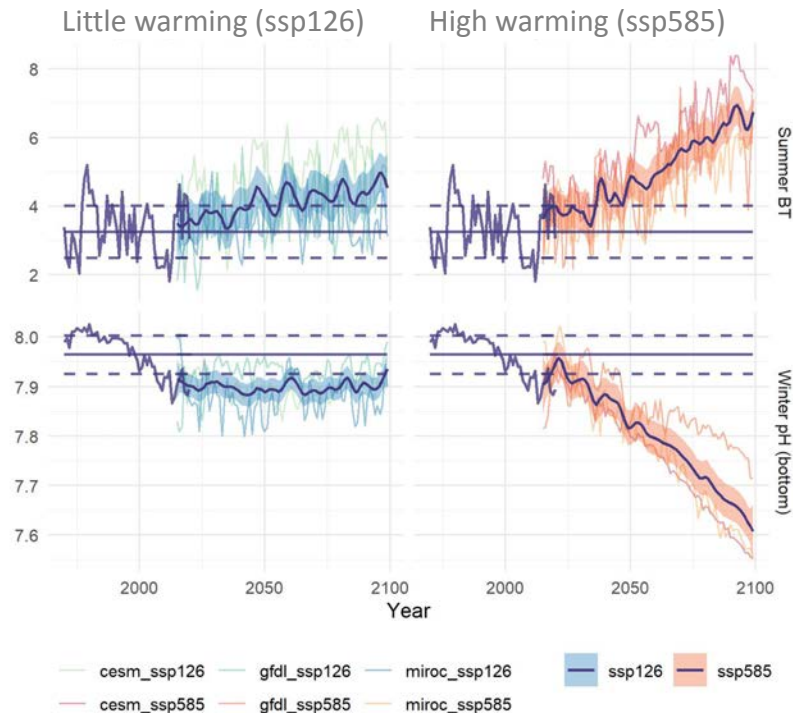
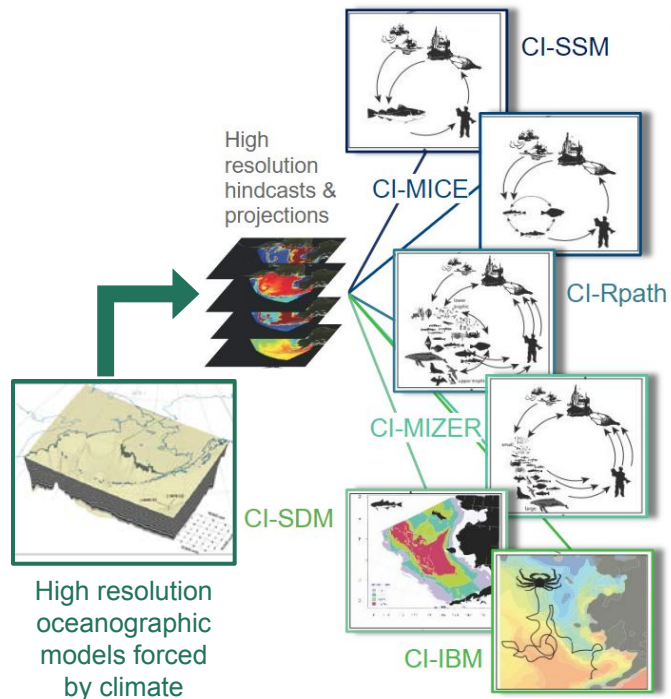
What can be done?

- Evaluate effectiveness of adaptation actions including those supported by fisheries management

Scenarios form the basis for comparative simulations & Management Strategy Evaluations



CLIM Models & Simulations



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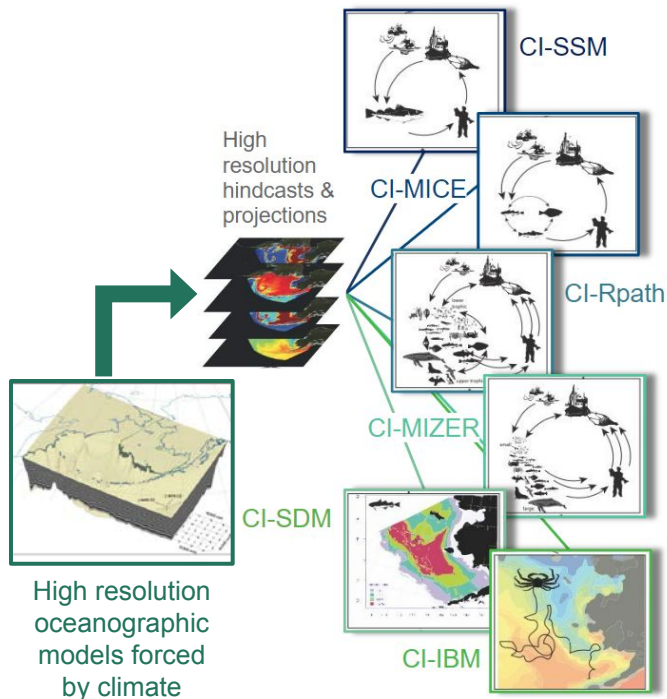
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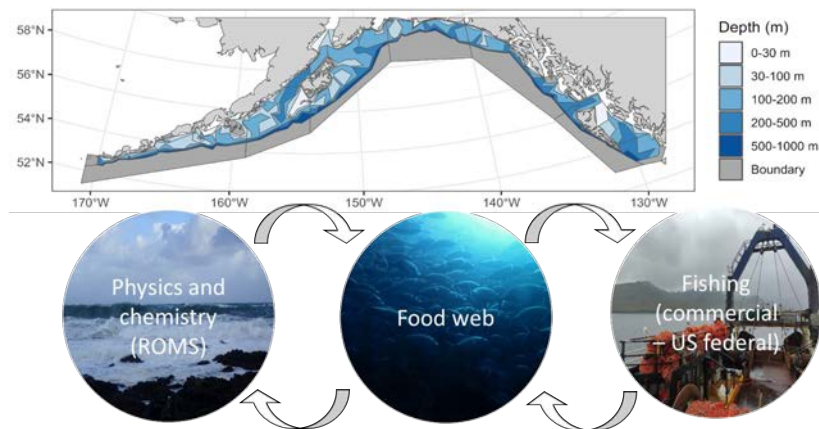
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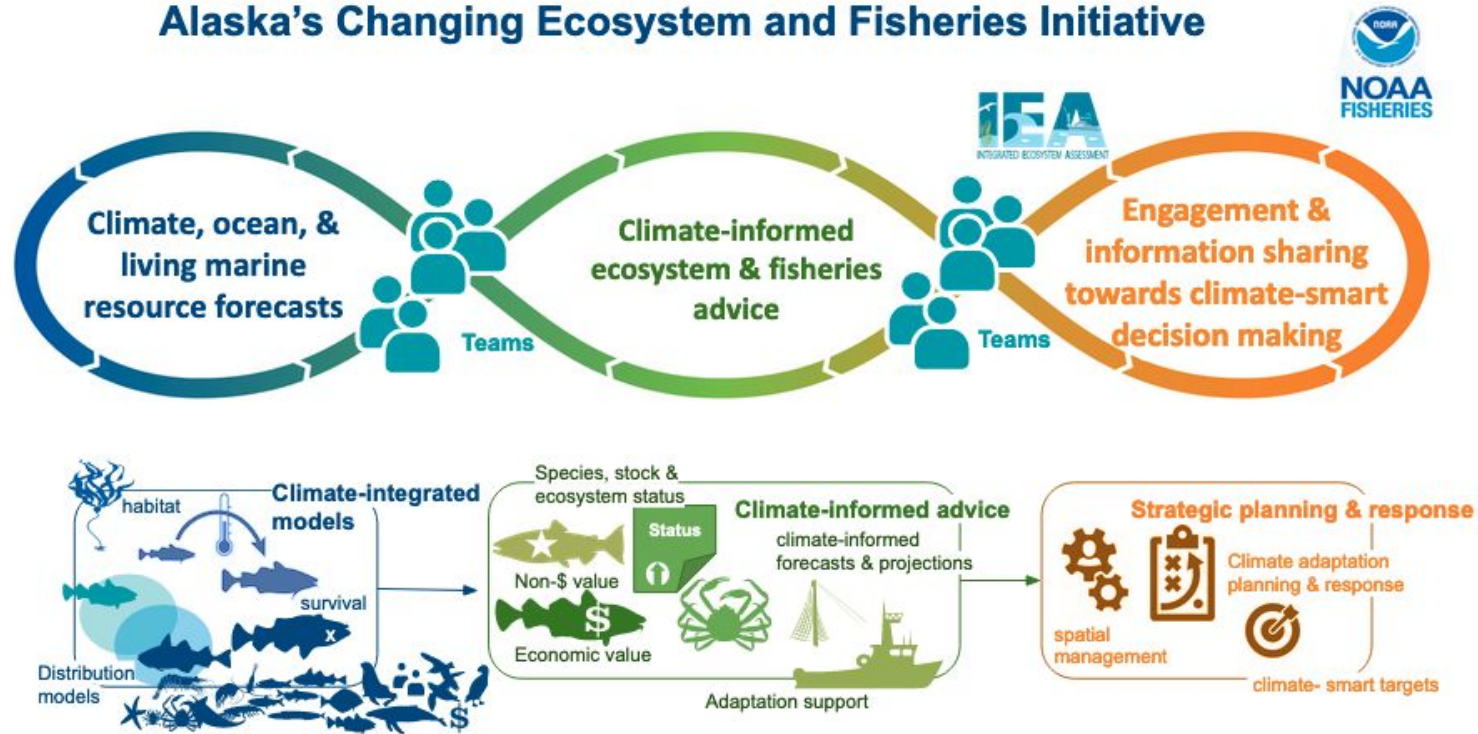


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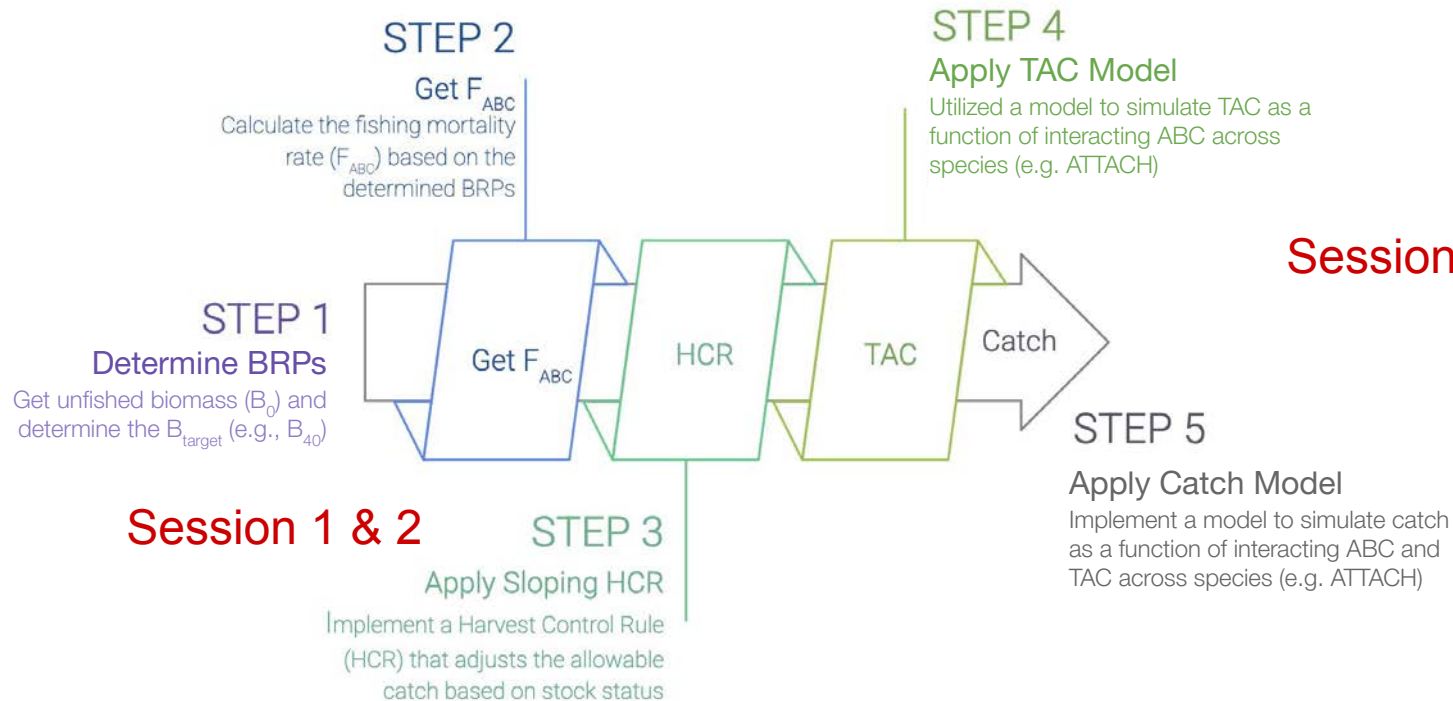


**b) Setting the stage for
HCR discussions**





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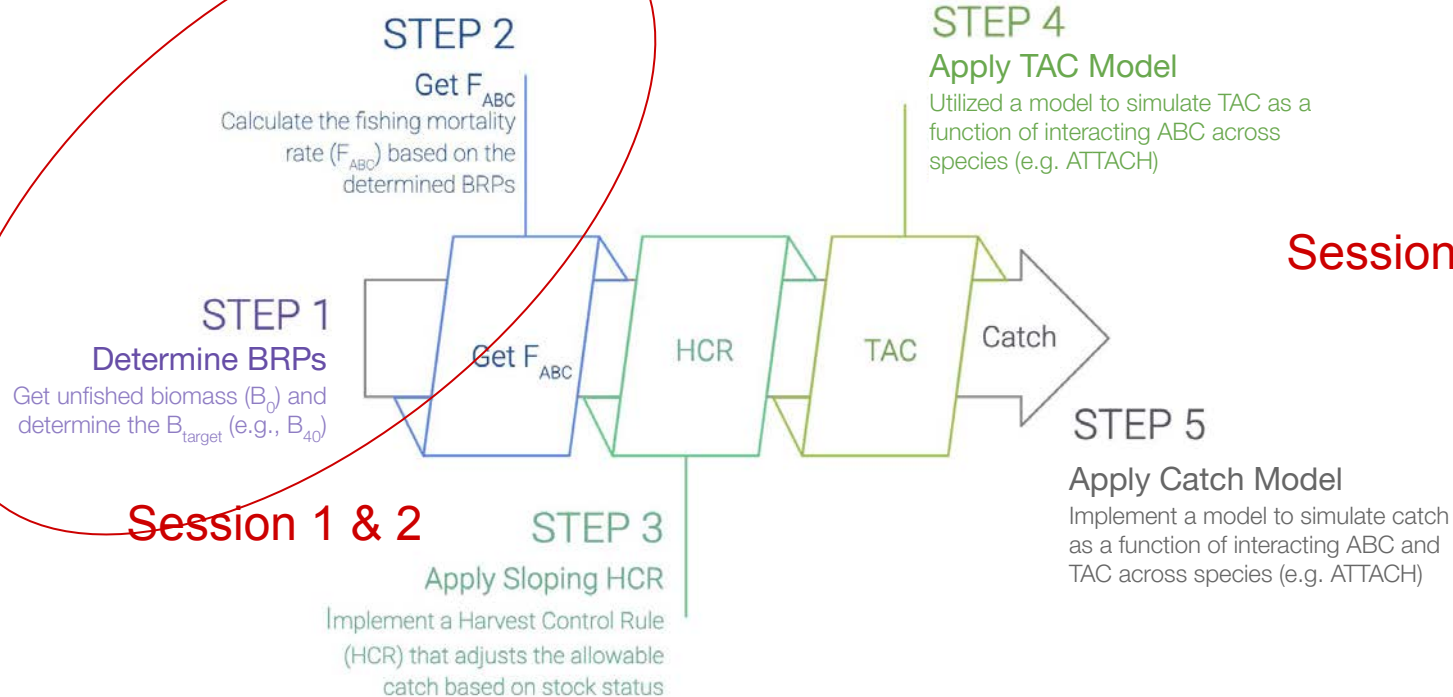


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Session 1 & 2

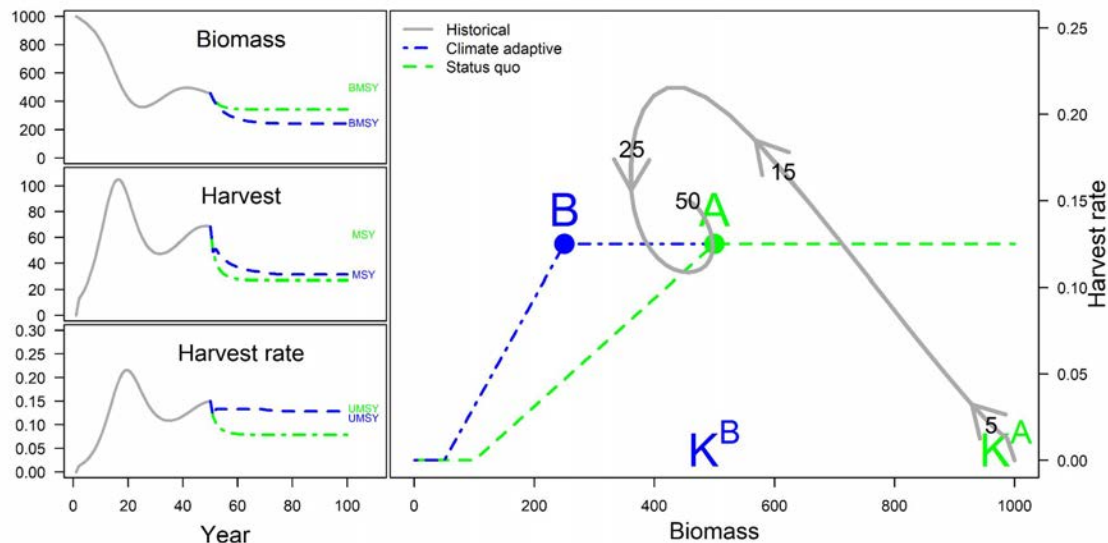


HCR simulation process



Adapting reference points to reflect changes in productivity

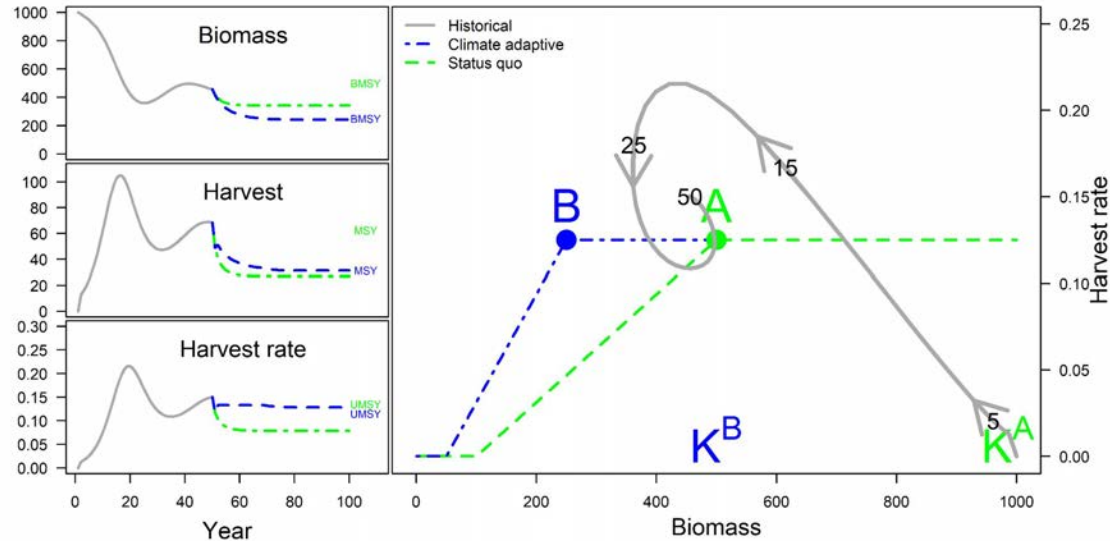
- MSA directs reference points to reflect current and probable future environmental conditions
- Changing reference points for stocks undergoing climate-related productivity shifts can result in counter-intuitive management actions:
 - Declining stocks could be fished harder
 - Flourishing stocks could be fished more conservatively



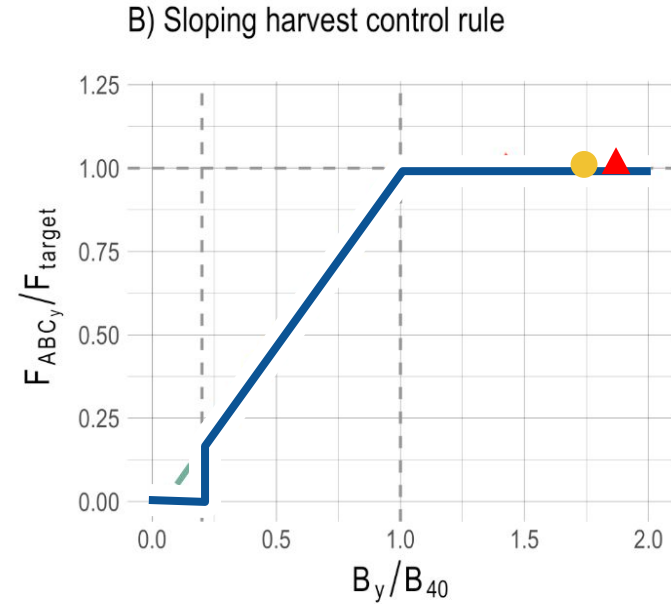
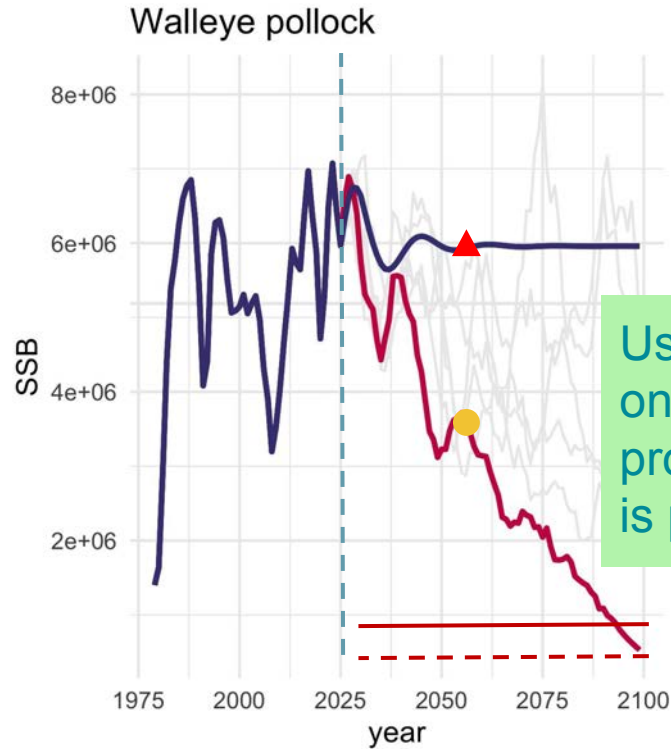
How might this arise?

Proceed with caution....

- If using a climate informed target (B_0 based on climate trajectory)
- If truncating recruitment time series data to reflect recent lower productivity
- If adopting a long-term higher mortality in recent years as set M
- If re-estimating B_0/B_{40} each year

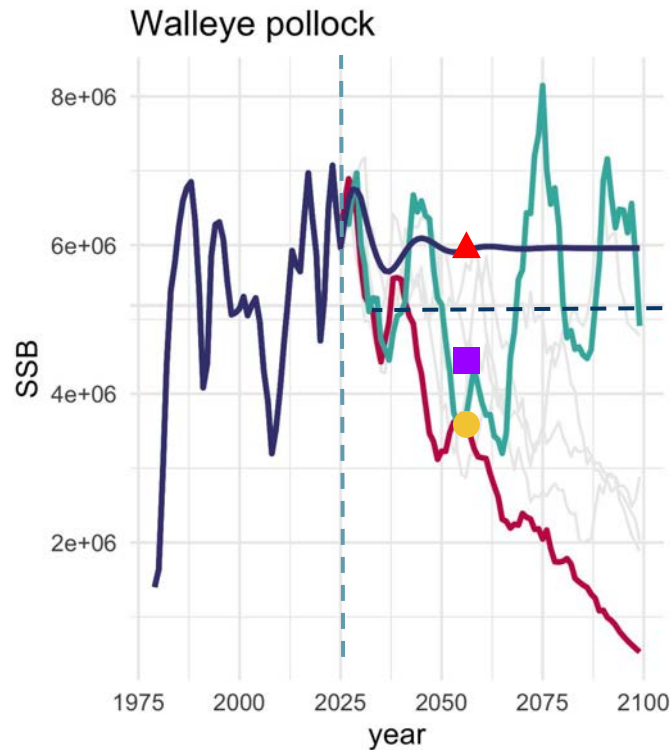


If using an environmentally-linked B0 (dynamic B0)



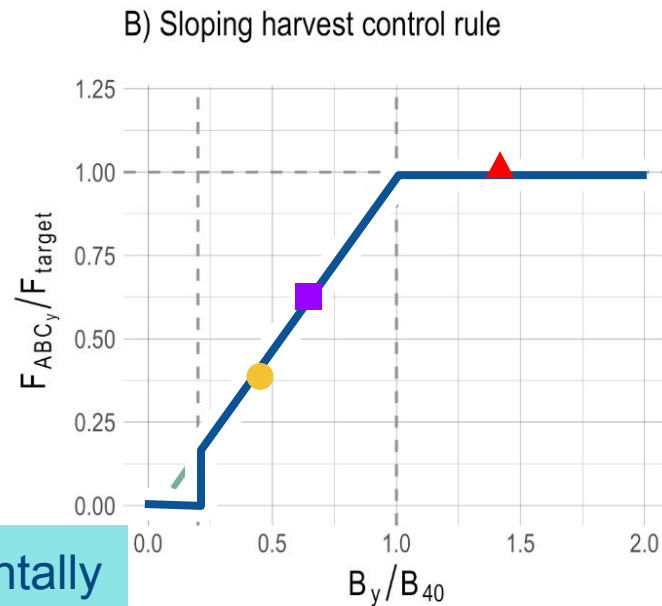
Risk : higher F during environmental strain could prevent recovery and lower long-term catch

Fixed target (fixed B0) + Env. enhanced status

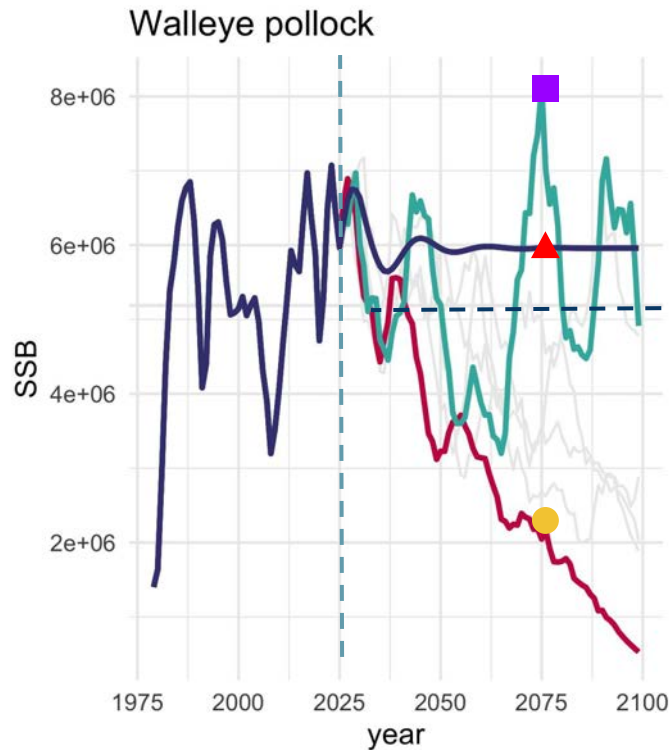


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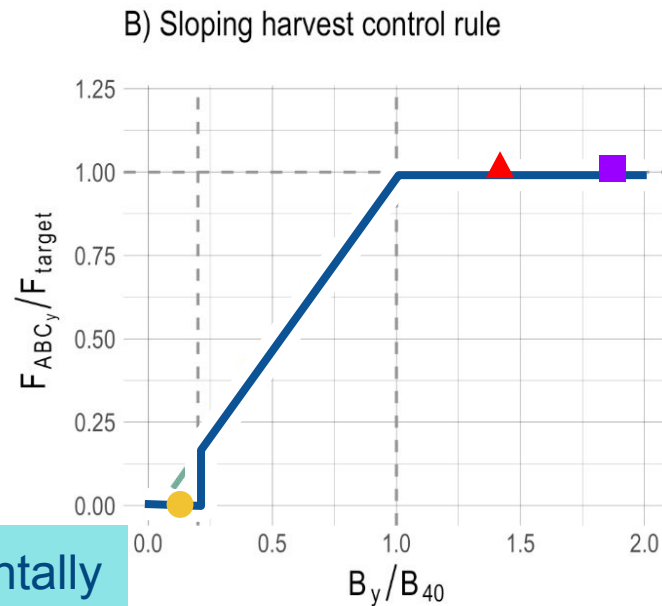


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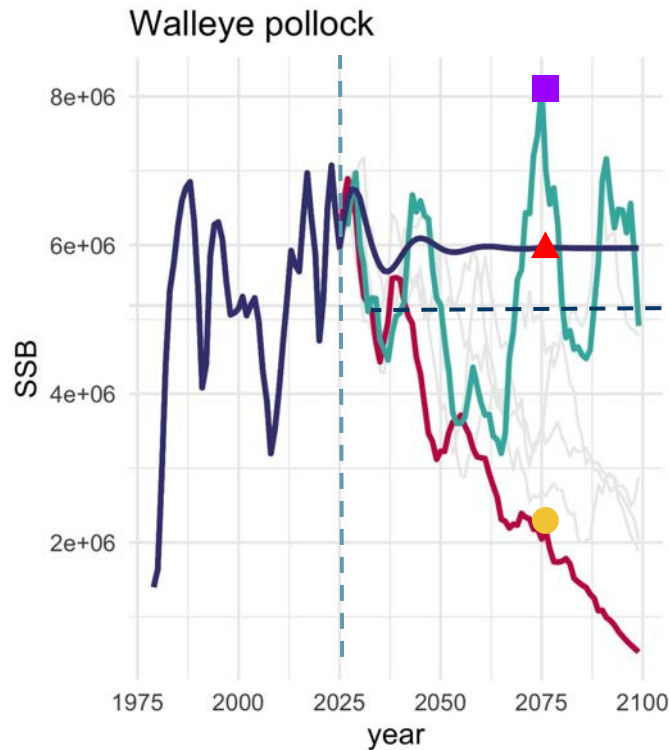


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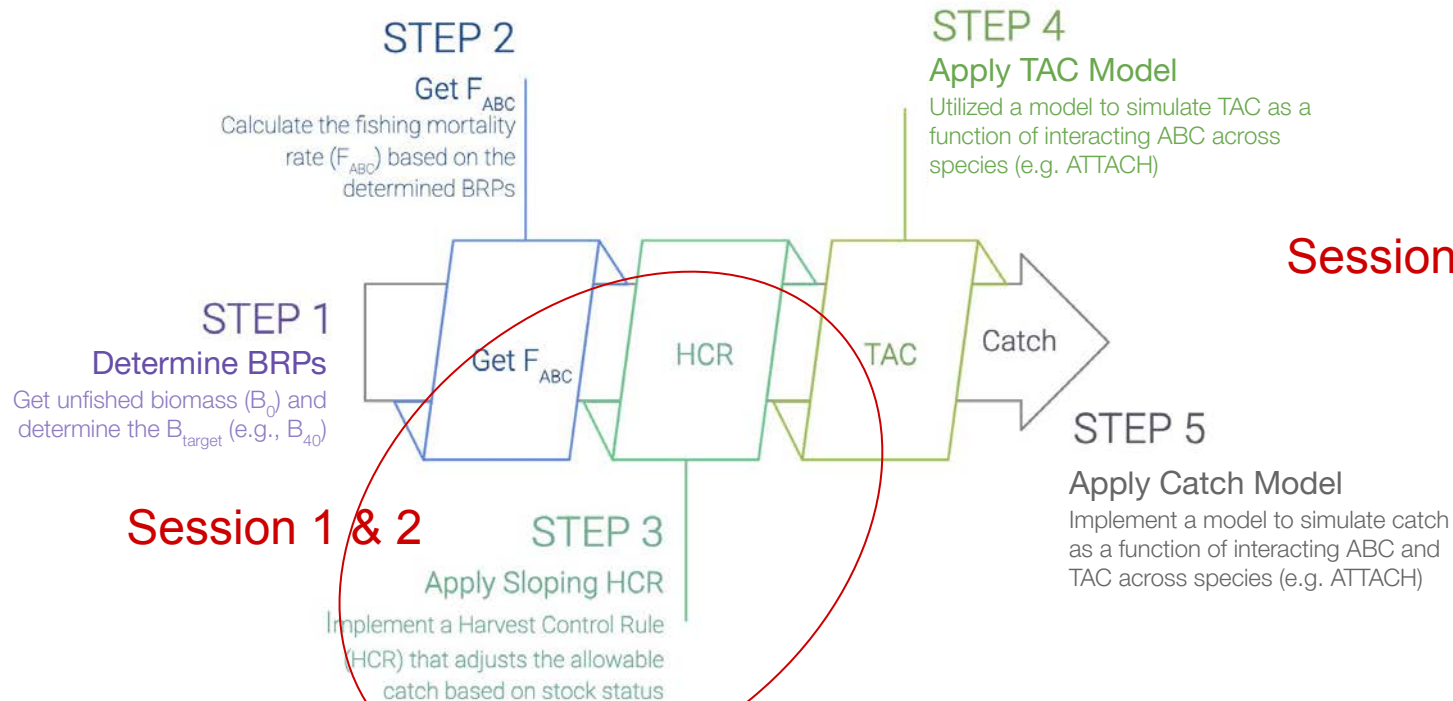
Options for “hybrid” approach



- (1) Set targets based on fixed productivity potential
 - (a) Historical reference period (historical B_0)
 - (b) Persistence (constant environment) model based B_0
- (2) Set status based on dynamic or environmentally informed status
 - (a) Use environmentally linked model to estimate current status
 - (b) Use base M + additional M_env blocks (sensu Barbeaux et al. and Spies et al. 2024, Holsman et al. 2024)



HCR simulation process



Interactive HCR explorer tool

<https://kholzman.shinyapps.io/HCRshiny/>

Are there alternative HCRs that can perform better than status quo under alternative future scenarios?

Harvest Control Rule (HCR) Explorer

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Download HCR plot data

[ACLIM2 HCR R function](#)

☒ Show Status Quo on each plot

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HCR Visualization

HCR Scenarios to Display

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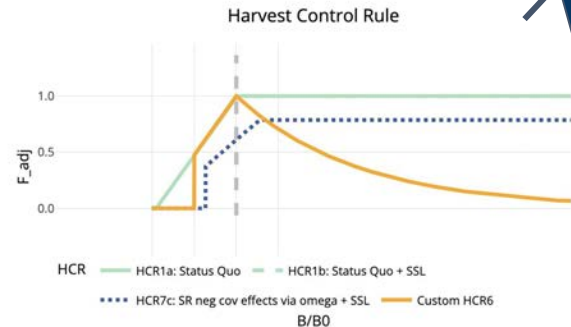
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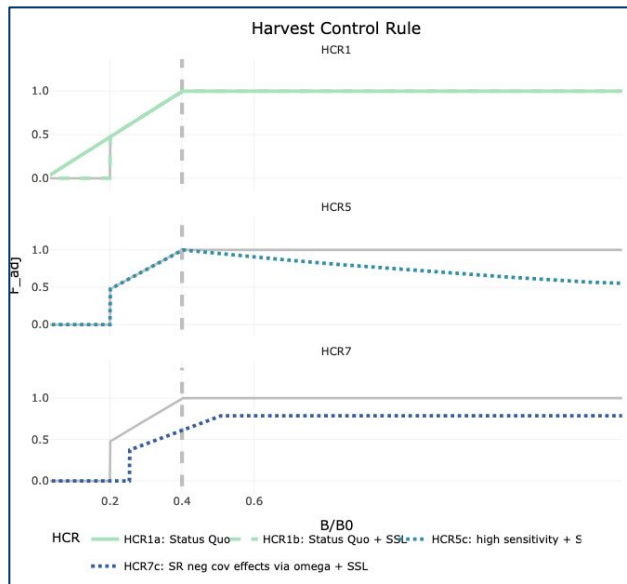
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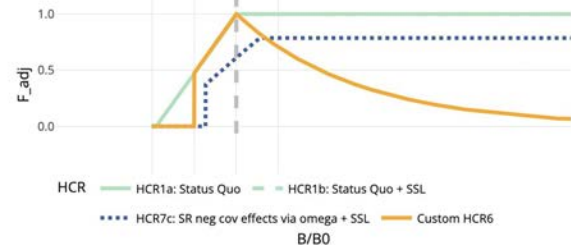
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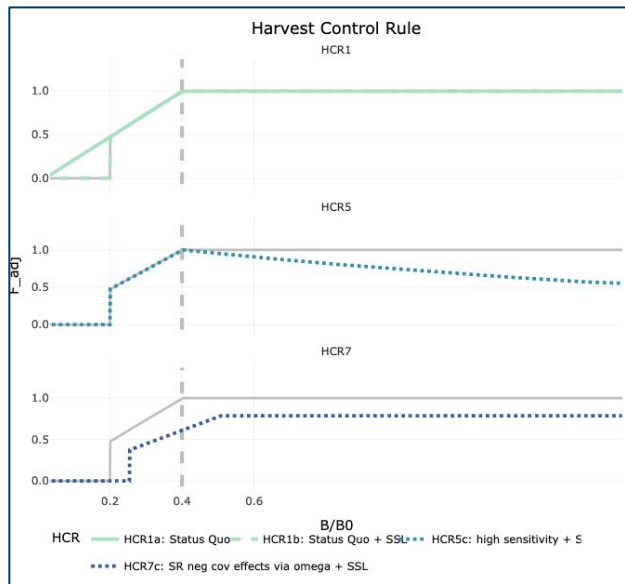
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ACLIM and GOA-CLIM alternative HCR set

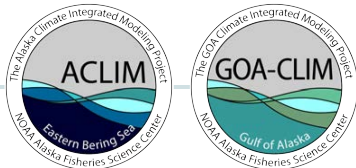
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Overview

This document serves as a white paper outlining the current set of HCRs under consideration for simulation testing by the ACLIM and GOA-CLIM teams. This document is informational only and HCRs outlined here are not "recommended HCRs", rather alternative formulations being evaluated for increased performance through coordinated modeling in 2025. Any evaluation of HCRs to be implemented for management purposes would be done by the NPFM Council through the established Council process. The set below builds on previous modeling efforts. During ACLIM phase 2 (2019-2022), modelers evaluated a suite of Harvest Control Scenarios (1-5), in 2025 during phase 3 of the ACLIM project and in collaboration with GOA-CLIM phase 2 we added a number of additional HCRs to the set. Below is a list of those standardized harvest control rules and the equations used to derive the curves. An interactive version of these HCRs is available on line at <https://kholzman.shinyapps.io/HCRshiny/>

HCR	Goal
ABC+HCR 1: Status quo	This HCR is the baseline sloping harvest control rule used for groundfish in
ABC+HCR 2: Lagged recovery to estimate emergency relief financing	Simulations with this HCR will mimic economic-driven fishery closures and delayed recovery in order to estimate



HCR Scenarios

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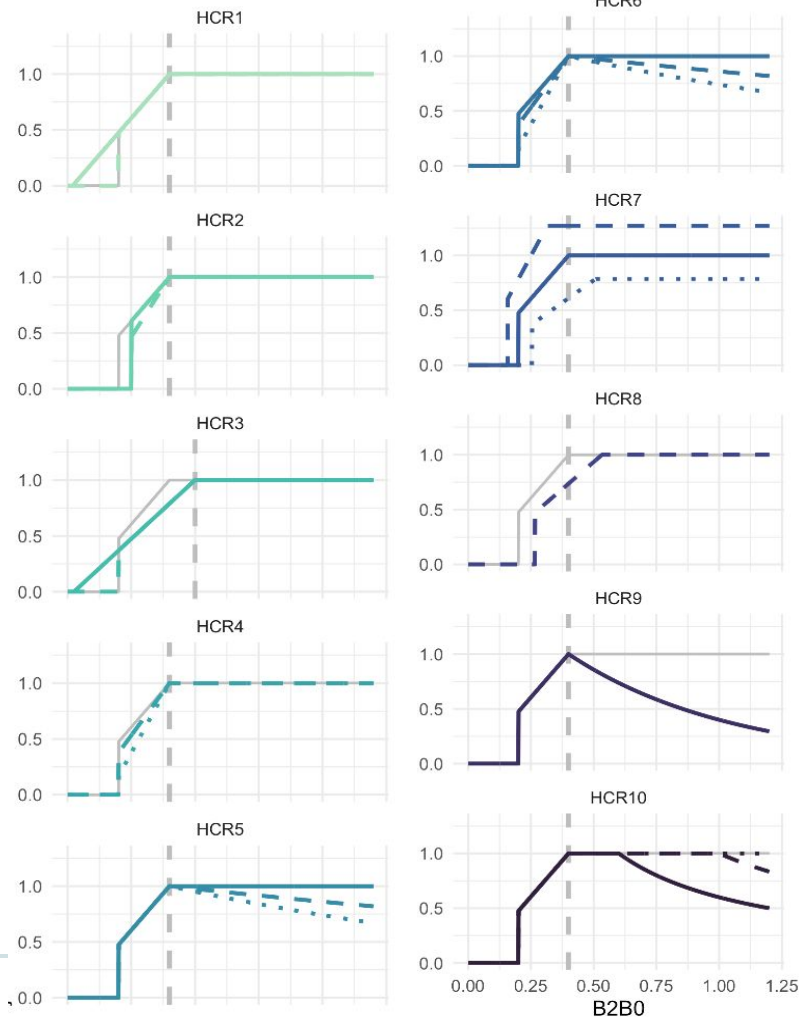
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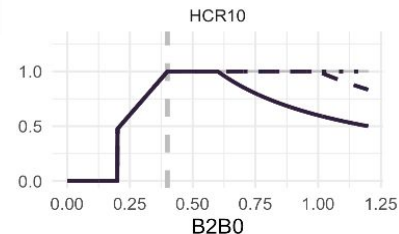
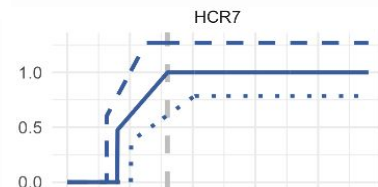
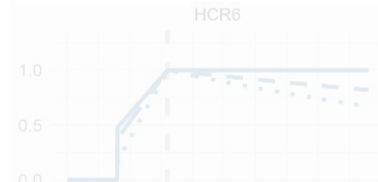
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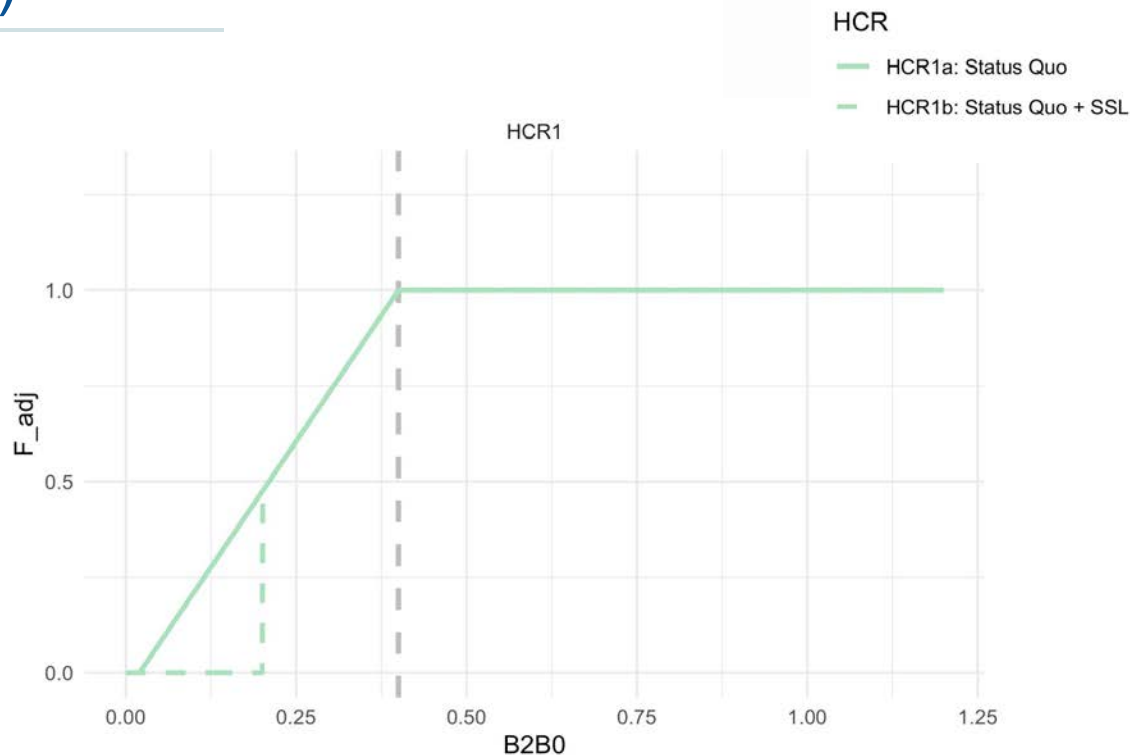
HCR 1: Status quo (Tier 3)

Simulation Goal:

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$$F_{ABC_{max}} = \begin{cases} F_{ABC} & \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} > 1 \\ F_{ABC}((\frac{B_y}{B_{target}} - \alpha)/(1 - \alpha)) & \frac{B_{lim}}{B_{target}} \leq \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} < 1 \\ 0 & \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} < \frac{B_{lim}}{B_{target}} \end{cases}$$

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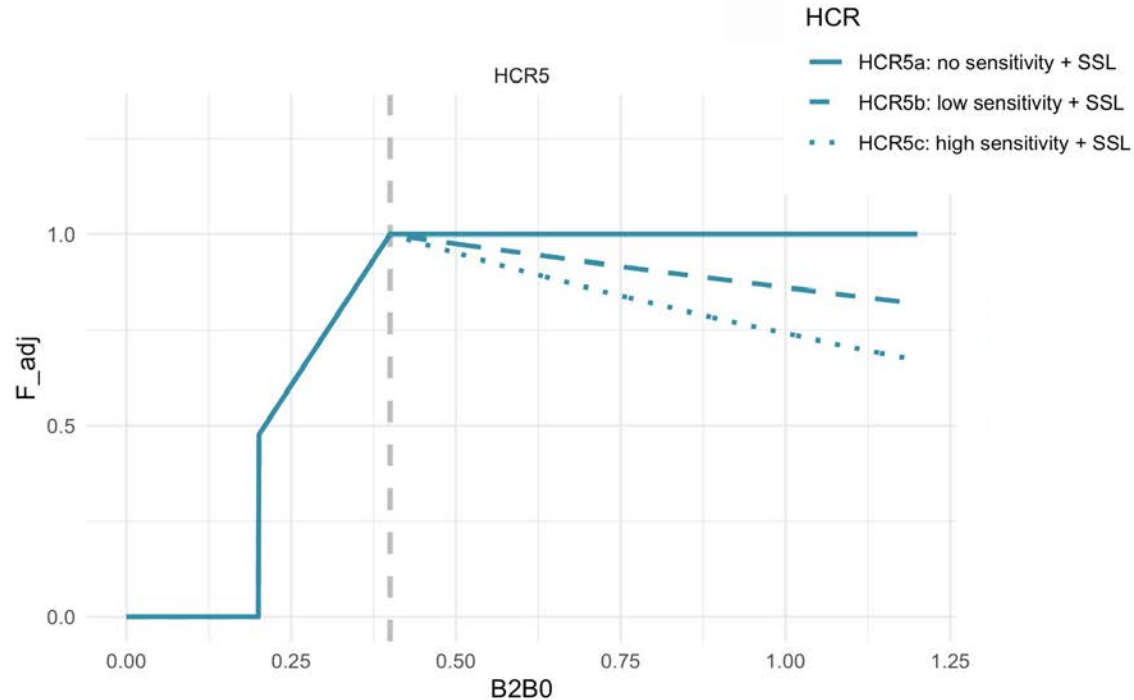


HCR 5 : Maximize productivity/ increased reserve (buffer shocks)

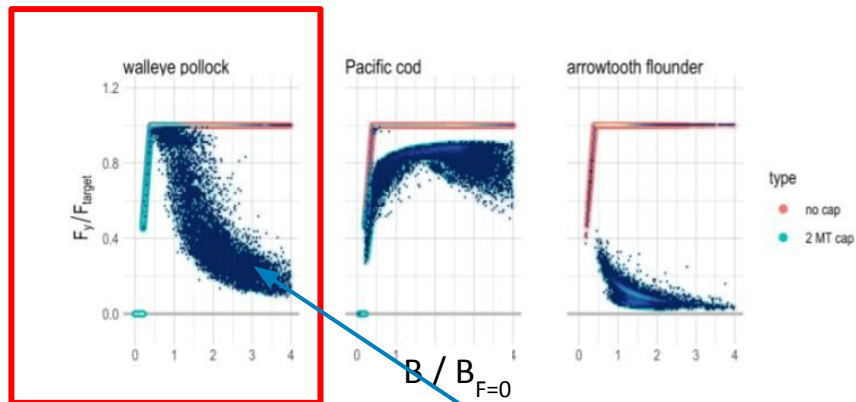
Simulation Goal:

HCR 5 is designed to **maximize ecosystem and spawning biomass productivity** by increasing reserves, creating a buffer against environmental shocks, and enhancing long-term sustainability

$$F_{ABC_{max}} = \begin{cases} F_{ABC} e^{(-\gamma(\frac{B_y}{B_{target}} - 1))} & \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} > 1 \\ F_{ABC}((\frac{B_y}{B_{target}} - \alpha)/(1 - \alpha)) & \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} \leq \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} < 1 \\ 0 & \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} < \frac{B_{lim}}{B_{target}} \end{cases}$$



Apply effective pollock HCR cap-like effect



Supplementary Figure 3. Effective harvest rate F_y under the no cap and 2 MT cap

Holsman et al. 2020

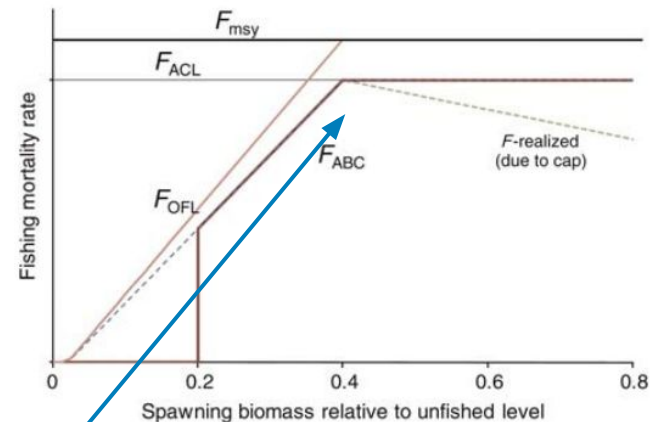


Figure 4. Schematic of harvest control rule currently affecting ABC or annual catch limit (ACL) for Alaska groundfish species like pollock (thick line). Note that this schematic indicates that B_{msy} is 40% of the unfished expected spawning biomass.

Ianelli et al. 2011

Effect of the 2 mt Cap on pollock

HCR 7: Risk Table Bridging via R/S variability covariate adjusted HCR

Simulation Goal:

This HCR provides a way to transition from qualitative risk tables to a more explicit, analytical approach for species whose productivity is known to vary with environmental conditions.

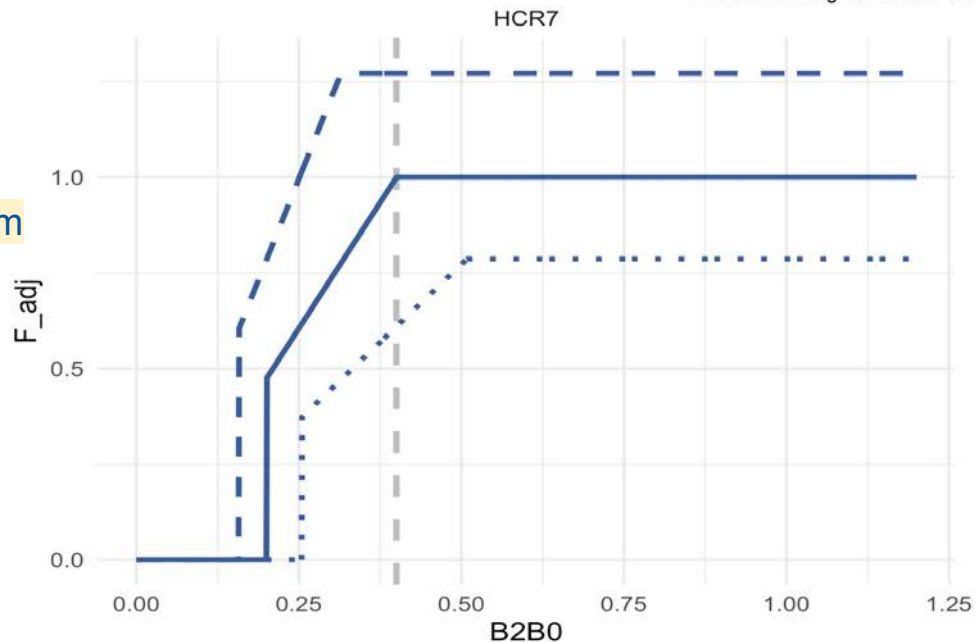
$$F_{ABC_{max}} = \begin{cases} F_{ABC} e^{(\omega_1 * x_y)} & \frac{B_y}{\hat{B}_{target}} > 1 \\ F_{ABC} ((\frac{B_y}{\hat{B}_{target}} - \alpha) / (1 - \alpha)) e^{(\omega_1 * x_y)} & \frac{B_y}{\hat{B}_{lim}} \leq \frac{B_y}{\hat{B}_{target}} < 1 \\ 0 & \frac{B_y}{\hat{B}_{target}} < \frac{B_y}{\hat{B}_{lim}} \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{B}_{lim} = B_{lim} e^{(-\omega_3 * x_y)}$$

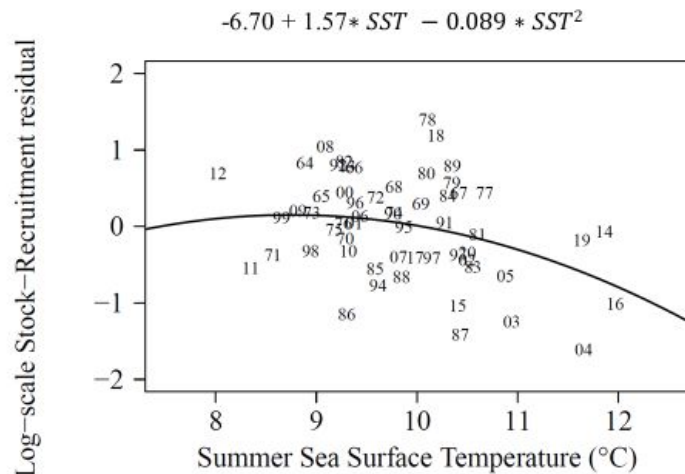
$$\hat{B}_{target} = B_{target} e^{(-\omega_2 * x_y)}$$

HCR

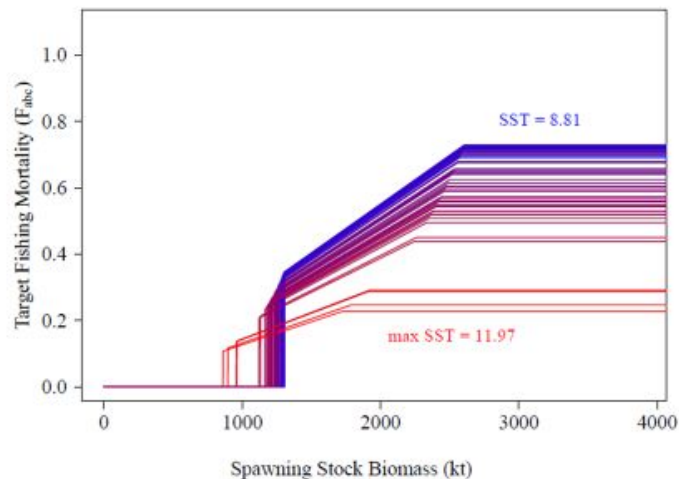
- HCR7a: max productivity (SQ) + SSL
- - - HCR7b: SR pos cov effects via omega + SSL
- · · HCR7c: SR neg cov effects via omega + SSL



Effect of temperature on recruitment



How would the harvest control rule change with temperature?

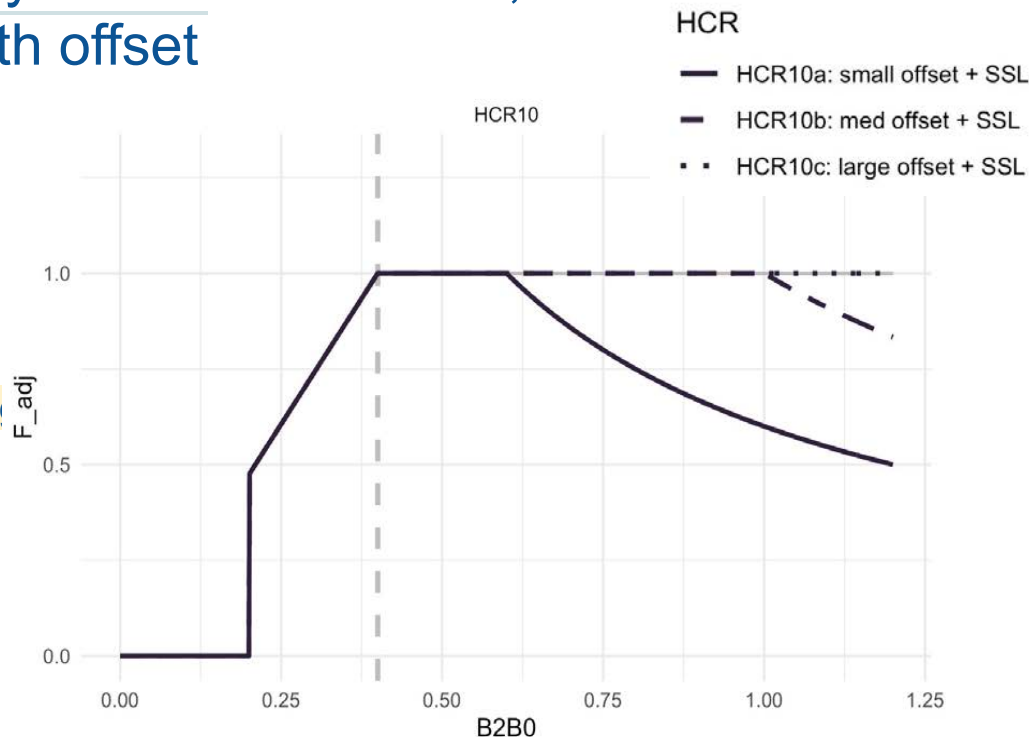


HCR 10: Maximize productivity/increased reserve; linear version (1/ B_target) with offset

Simulation Goal:

This HCR builds on HCR 5 by applying a proportional reduction in fishing mortality based on biomass levels, further enhancing stock and environmental productivity through strengthening the buffer against environmental shocks.

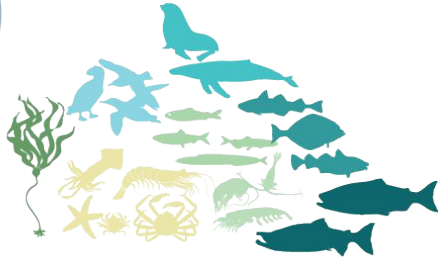
$$F_{ABC_{max}} = \begin{cases} F_{ABC} / \left(\frac{B_y}{B_{target}} - \frac{1}{1+\gamma} \right) & \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} > (1+\gamma) \\ F_{ABC} & 1 < \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} < (1+\gamma) \\ F_{ABC} \left(\left(\frac{B_y}{B_{target}} - \alpha \right) / (1-\alpha) \right) & \frac{B_{lim}}{B_{target}} \leq \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} < 1 \\ 0 & \frac{B_y}{B_{target}} < \frac{B_{lim}}{B_{target}} \end{cases}$$



Rpath() example

P. cod

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EBS Food web model

- 76 biological groups
- All 20 federally managed stocks + protected species
- ROMSNPZ forces phytoplankton. & zooplankton
- BT drives consumption and metabolism (energetics)



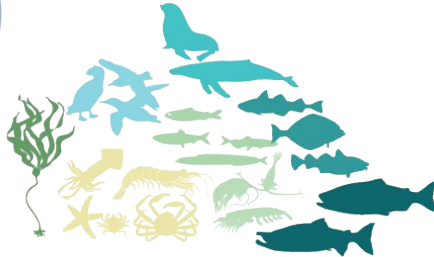
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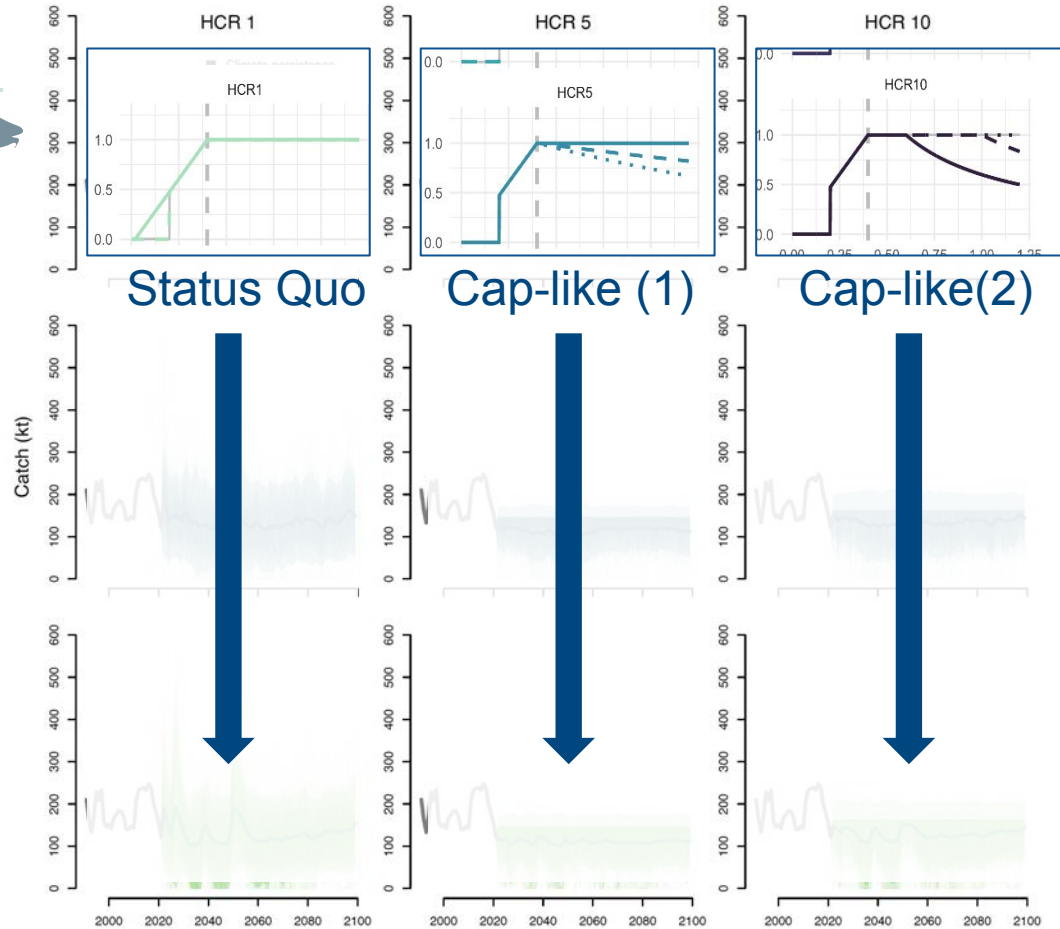
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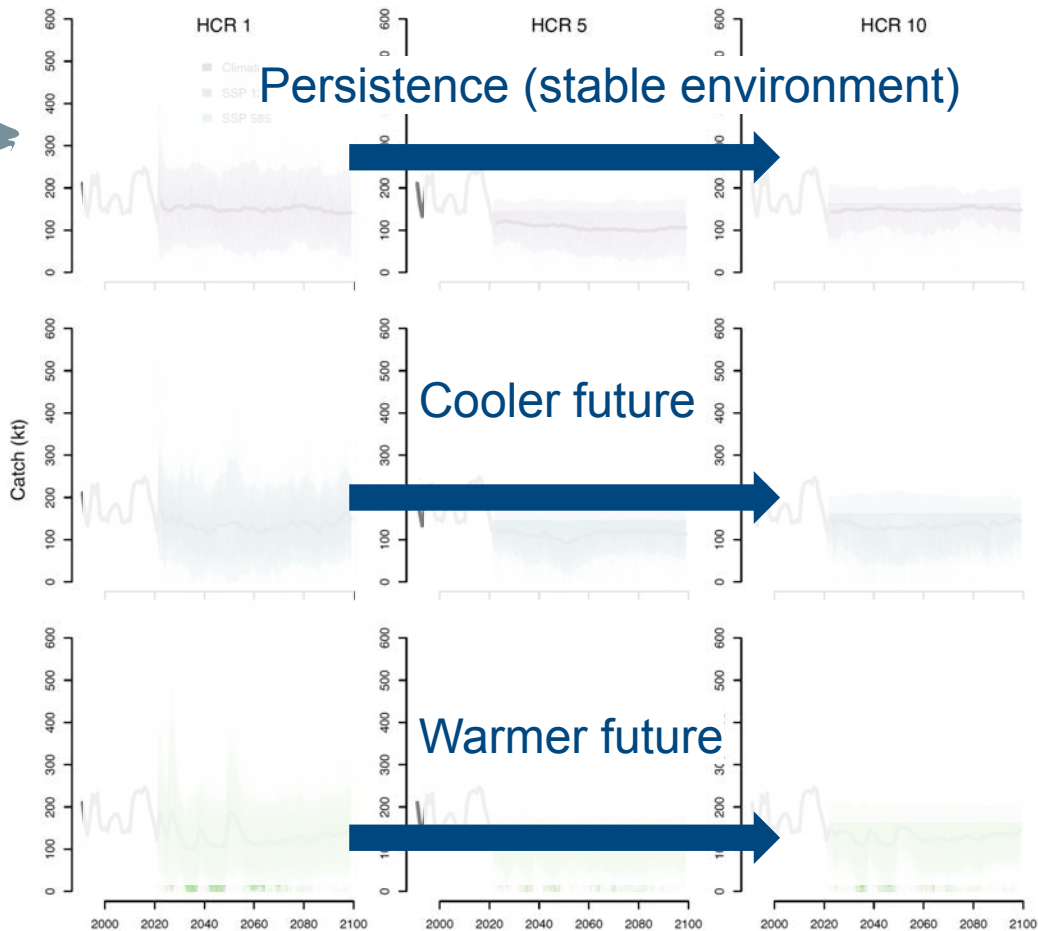
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Persistence (stable environment)



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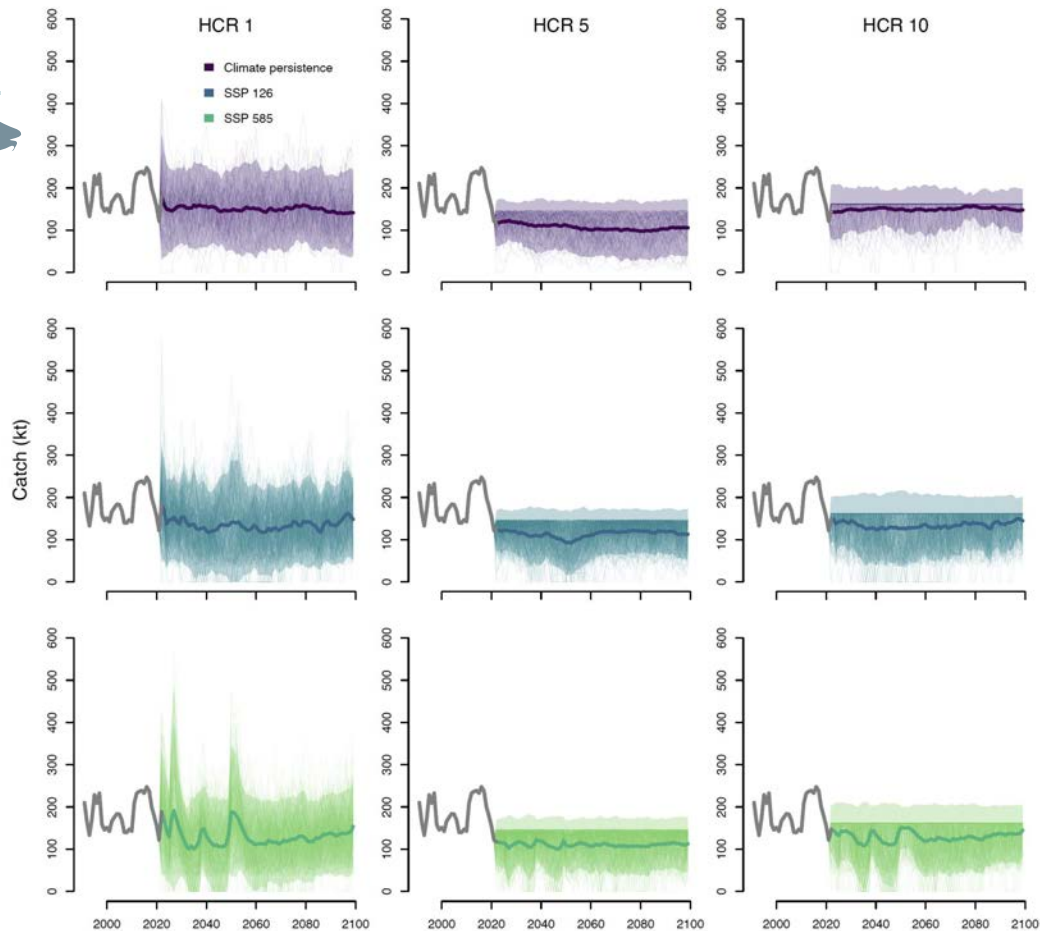
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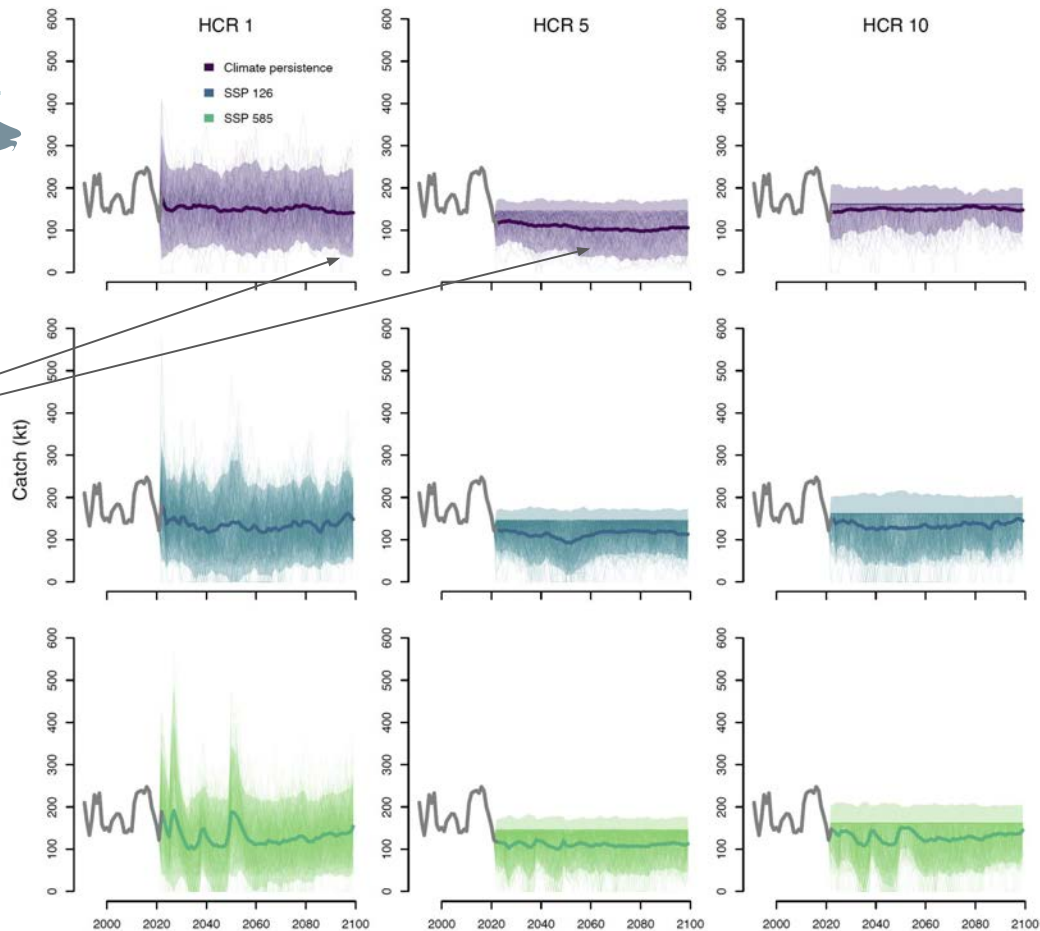
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Cap-like HCRs
stabilize catch
(maybe good for
markets?)
[plan to add \$value]



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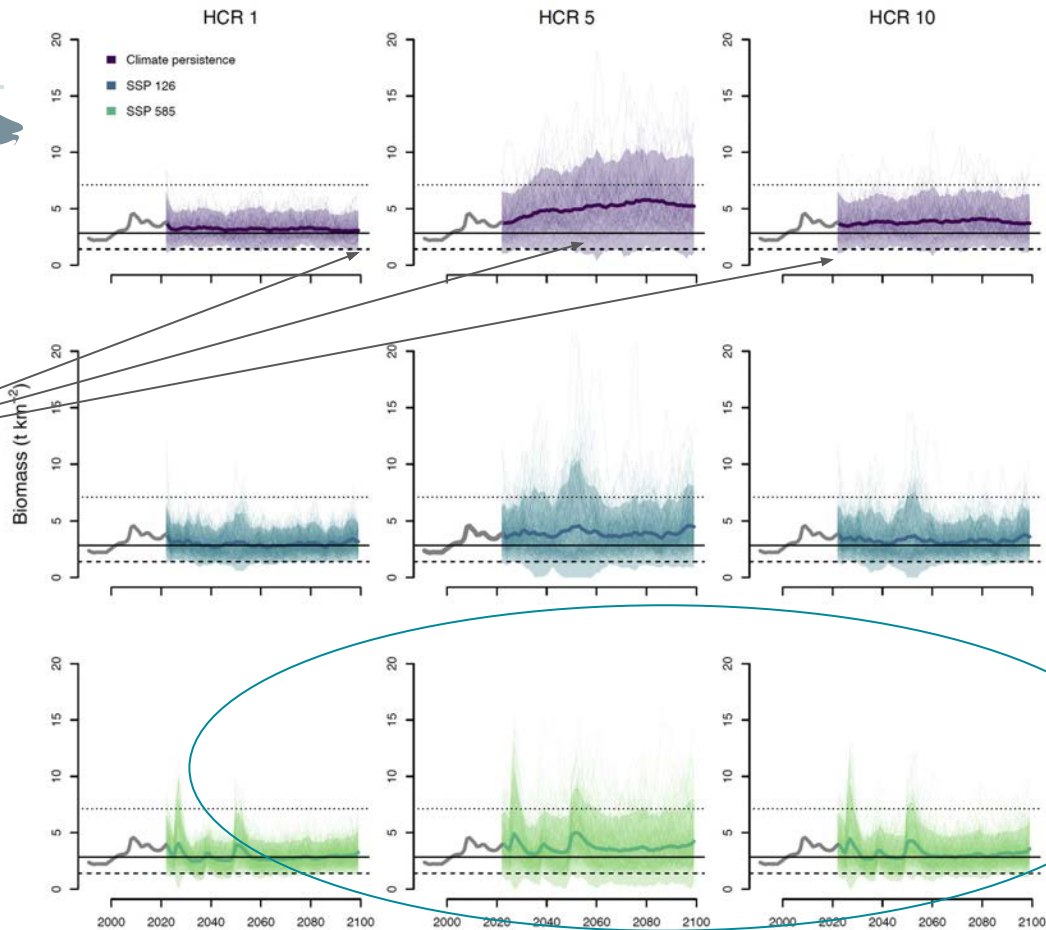
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Cap-like HCRs
increase SSB over SQ

(through increased
productivity/
reserves?)

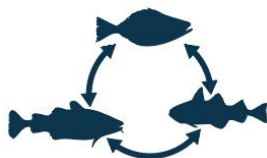
Stable
pop-dynamics
under warmest
scenarios



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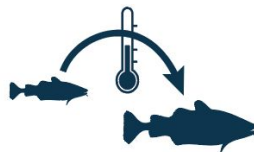


Mortality



- Empirical diets
- Bioenergetics

Weight @ Age



- Empirical
- VonB with Temp

Rec

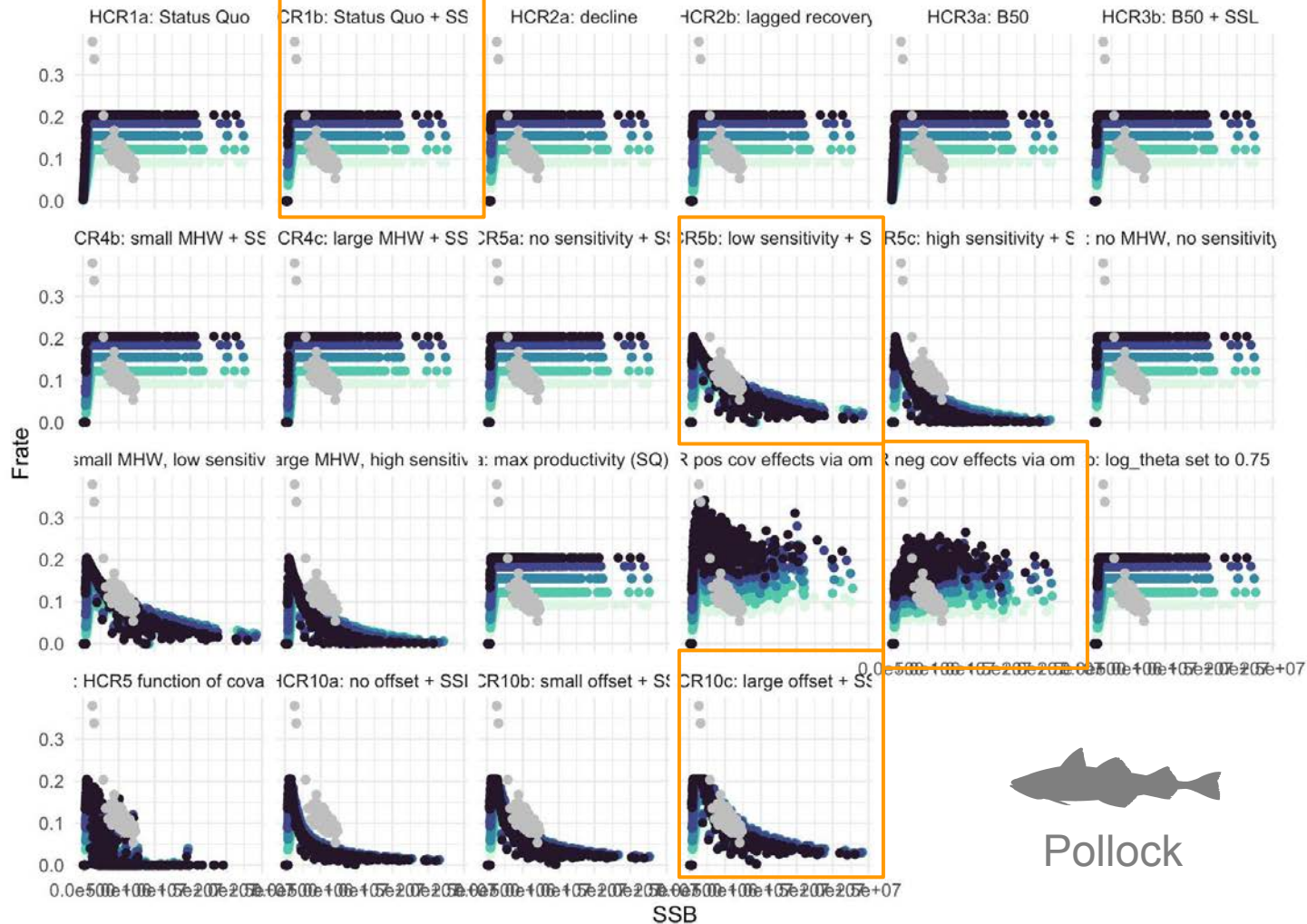


- Climate-S/R
- S/R
- mean R

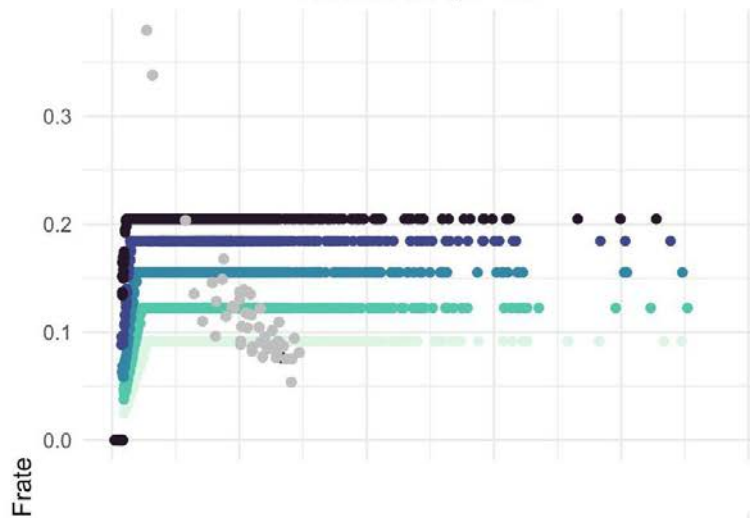
HCRs



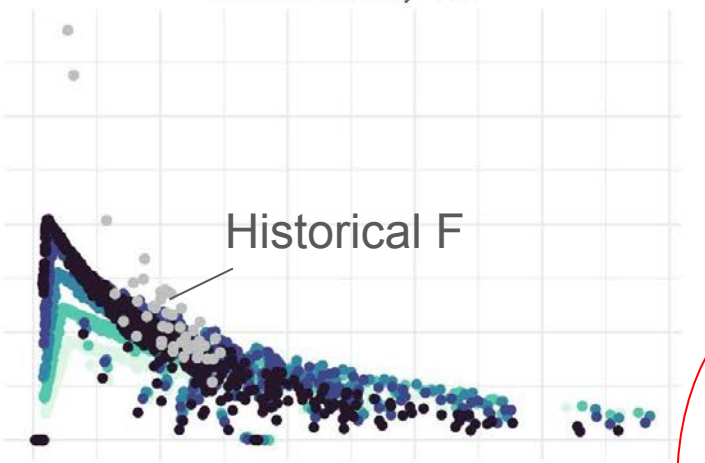
- Climate ABC
- MMSY
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- SPR
- Aggregate MSY



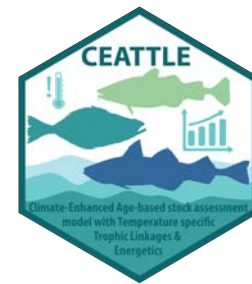
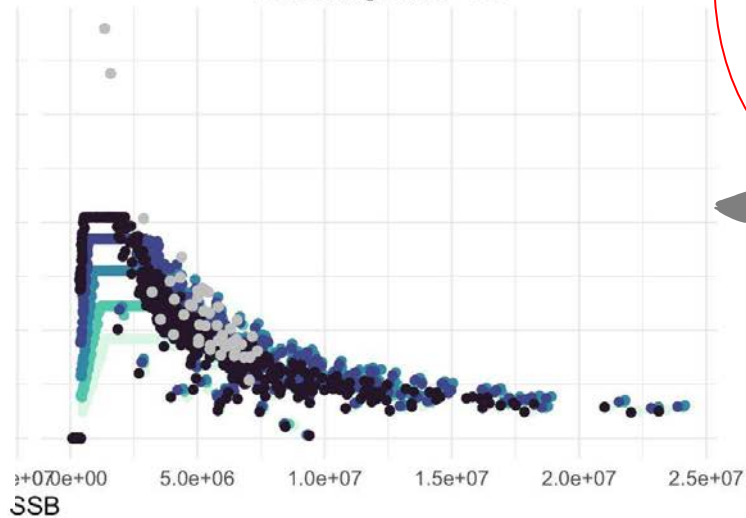
HCR1b: Status Quo + SSL



HCR5b: low sensitivity + SSL



HCR10c: large offset + SSL



BtargetIN

- 0.3
- 0.4
- 0.5
- 0.6
- 0.7



Pollock

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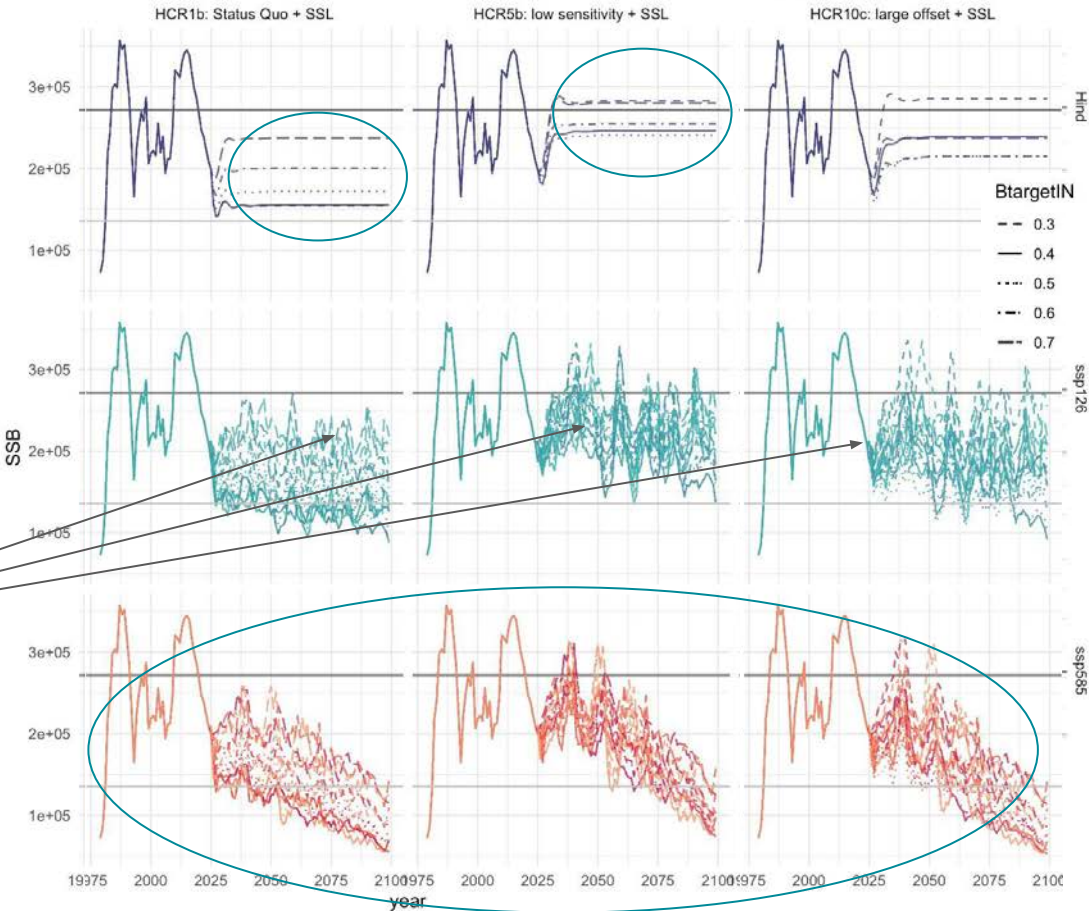


Cap-like HCRs
reduce differences
across Btarget

Cap-like HCRs
increase SSB (through
increased productivity/
reserves?)

Environmental
dynamics >> HCRs

Pacific cod



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CEATTLE example (Catch = ABC)



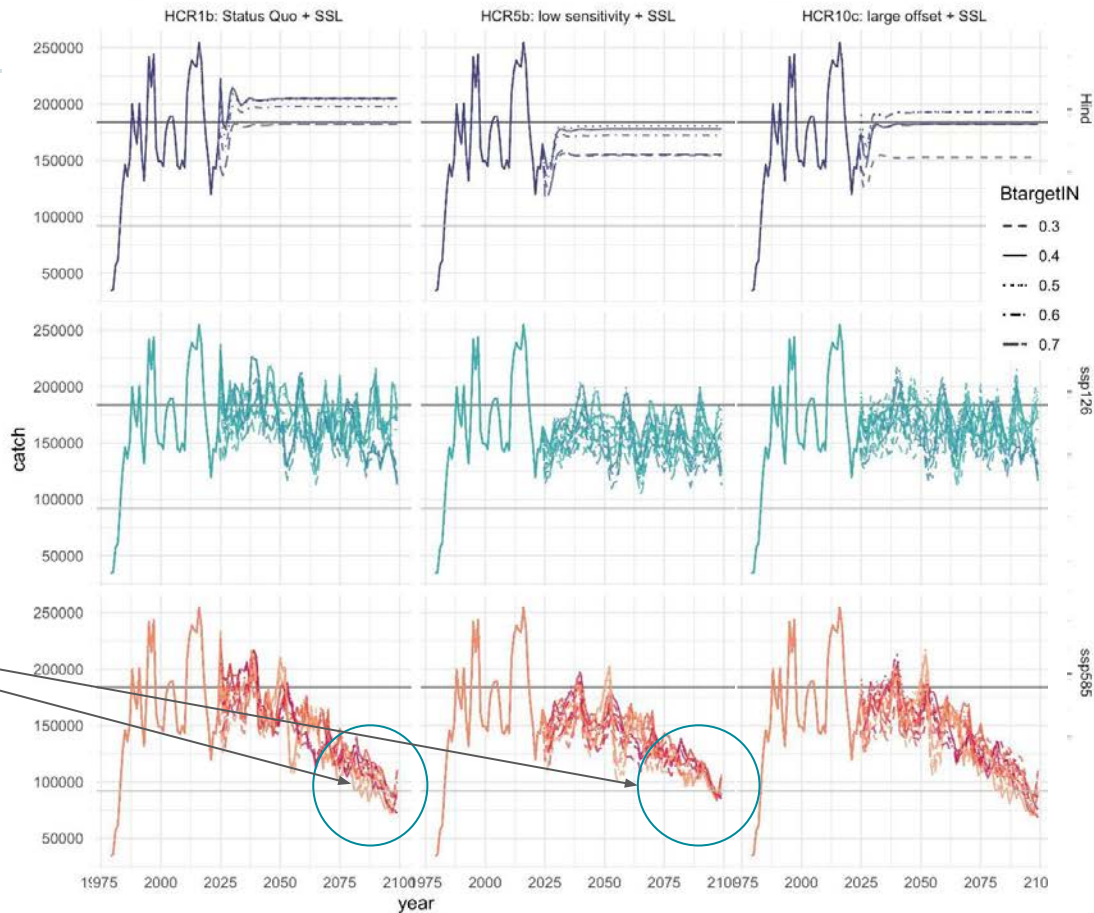
Catch is relatively similar across runs

slight reduction in # of large declines

Pacific cod

gcm scen

- avg(2000-2024)
- cesm_ssp126
- cesm_ssp585
- gfdl_ssp126
- gfdl_ssp585
- miroc_ssp126
- miroc_ssp585
- mn_Hind
- 50% decline



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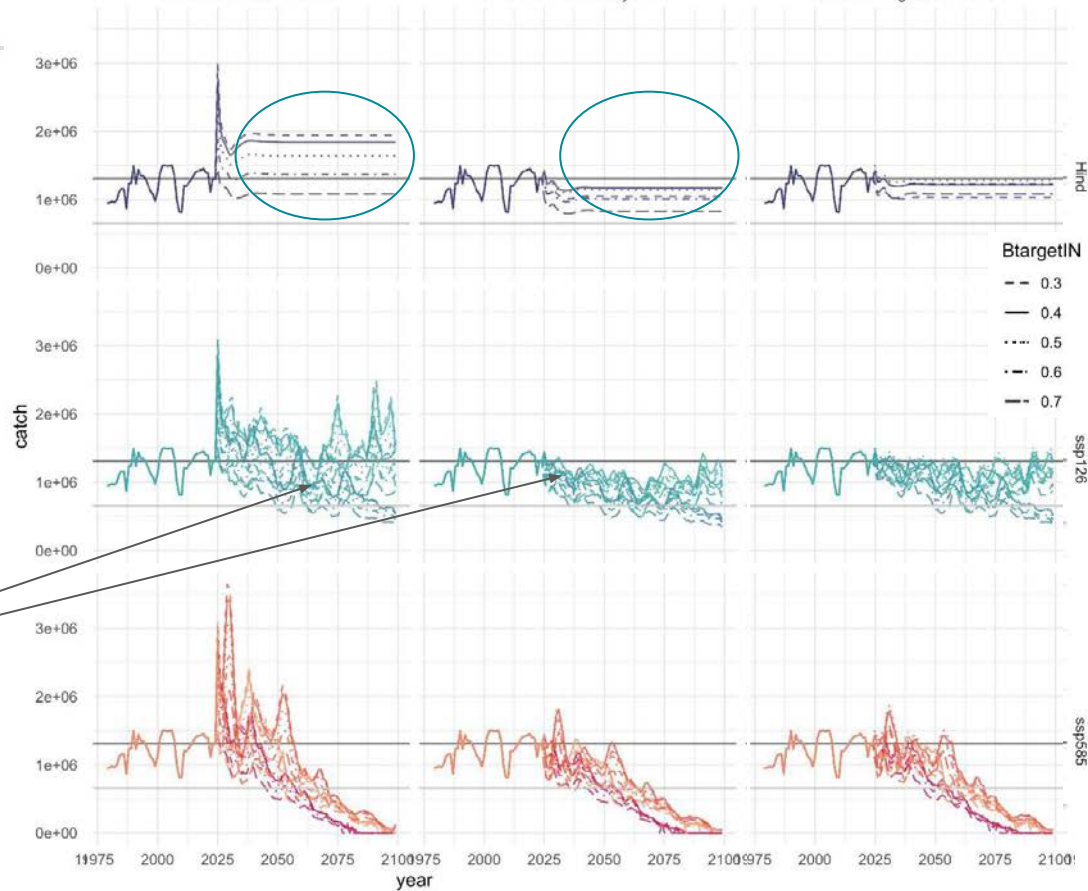
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Walleye pollock

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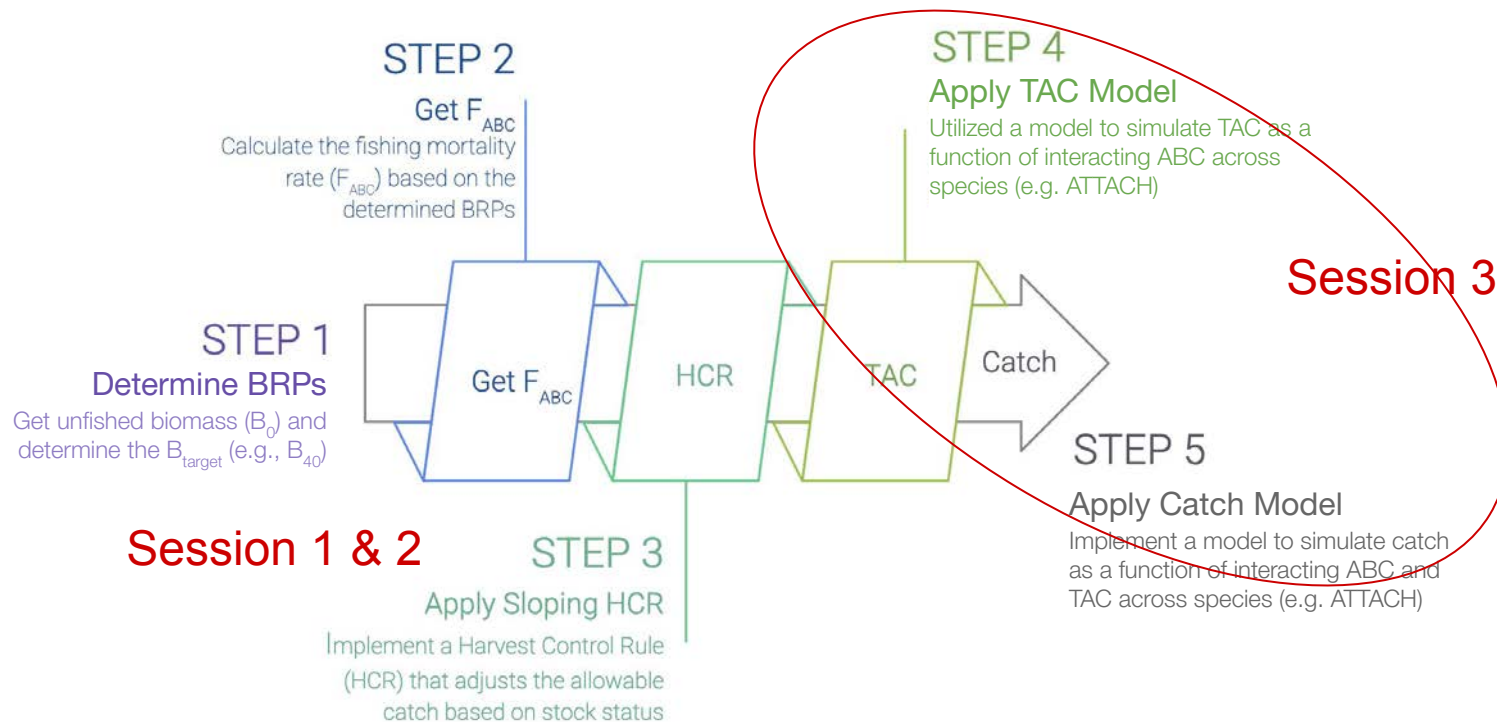


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HCR simulation process

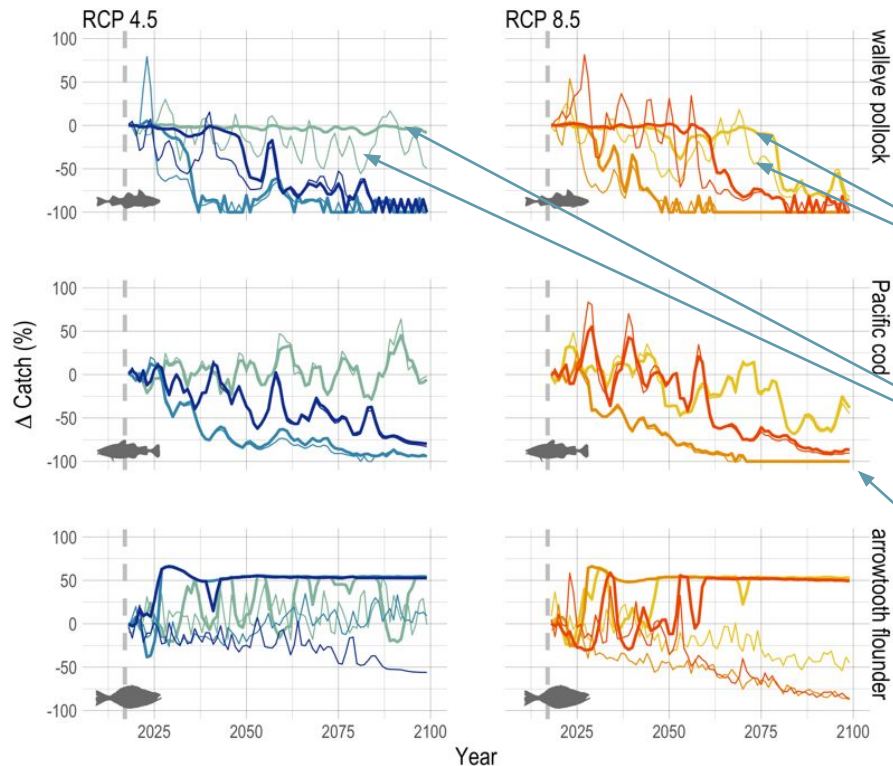


CEATTLE: EBFM vs non-EBFM cap

moderate warming

high warming

Assumes climate effects on recruitment,
growth, & mortality;
Assumes no adaptation of fish or fisheries



EBFM = lower risk of declines & collapse

although risk increases over time & with warming

EBFM cap forestalled
declines

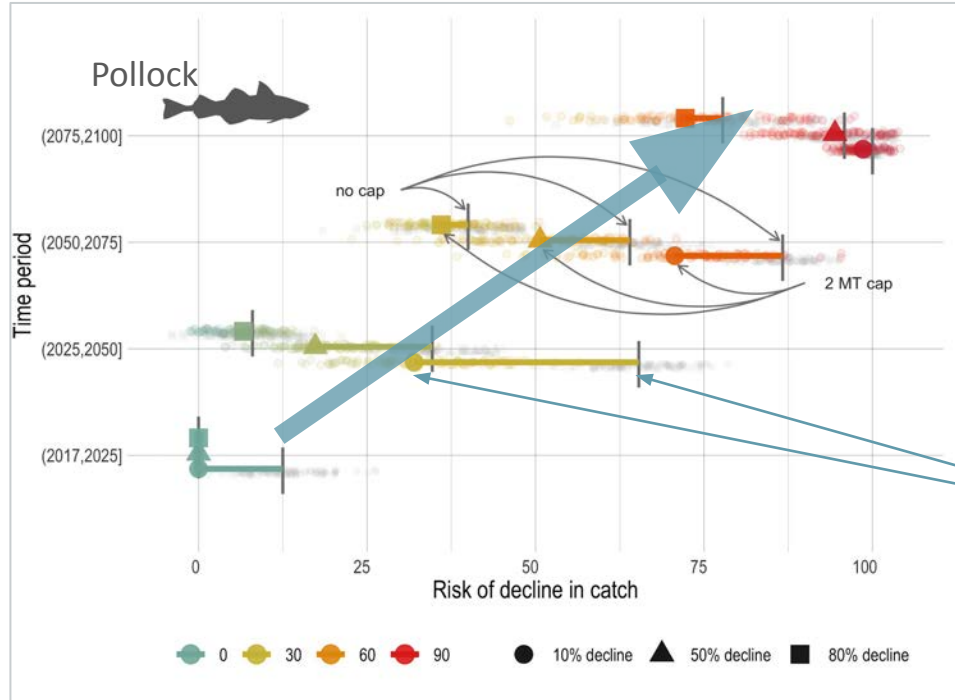
EBFM cap stabilized
catches

EBFM cap had little
effect on P. cod

Holsman, K.K., Haynie, A.C., Hollowed, A.B. et al. Ecosystem-based fisheries management forestalls climate-driven collapse. *Nat Commun* 11, 4579 (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-020-18300-3>

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Risk increases over time

Risk is lower for EBFM

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/ feedback

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Performance criteria

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Alaska Integrated Climate Modeling

TABLE 6 | Suite of candidate performance indicators for ACLIM.

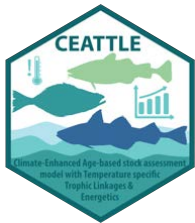
Name	Derivation	Purpose
Core species abundance	Mean and variance for time block	Sustainable fishing index
Core species recruitment	Mean and variance for time block	Sustainable fishing index
Core species average size and age at maturity	Mean and variance for time block	Sustainable fishing index
Core species exploitation	Annual time trend F/F_{MSY}	Sustainable fishing index
Core species crab status	Annual time trend reproductive potential vs. target reproductive potential.	Sustainable fishing index
Core species crab catch	Mean and variance for time block	Sustainable fishing index
Centroid of distribution for core species	Annual time trend	Index distribution
Euphausiid biomass	Mean and variance for time block	Ecosystem stability index
Motile epifauna biomass	Mean and variance for time block	Trophic structure index
Benthic forager biomass	Mean and variance for time block	Trophic structure index
Pelagic forager biomass	Mean and variance for time block	Trophic structure index
Apex predator biomass	Mean and variance for time block	Trophic structure index
Species diversity index	Alpha and beta diversity indices	Ecosystem stability index
Mean trophic level of the catch	Mean and variance for time block	Ecosystem Based Fishery Management index
Number of fishery closures by core species	Average for time block	Fishery efficiency index
Core species and fleet CPUE	Annual time trend of CPUE by species and fleet	Fishery catchability index
Fishing effort by fleet	Annual time trend of fishing effort	Fisheries participation and employment
Core species first-wholesale revenue index	Annual time trend	Economic index
Core species percent TAC utilization	Percentage of total allowable catch landed	Management index
Fleet species diversity index	Annual measure of diversity of target species revenues	Measure of fishery portfolio by sector
Fleet revenue variability	Coefficient of variations of fisheries revenue by sector	Financial risk index

- ❑ %time below B20
- ❑ Number of $F = 0$, closures
- ❑ Diversity of age classes (sensu Ianelli et al.)
- ❑ Total Catch
- ❑ Total \$ Yield
- ❑ Stability of Catch over time
- ❑ Mean age
- ❑ R/S or other product. indices
- ❑ Mean trophic level



Hollowed et al. 2020

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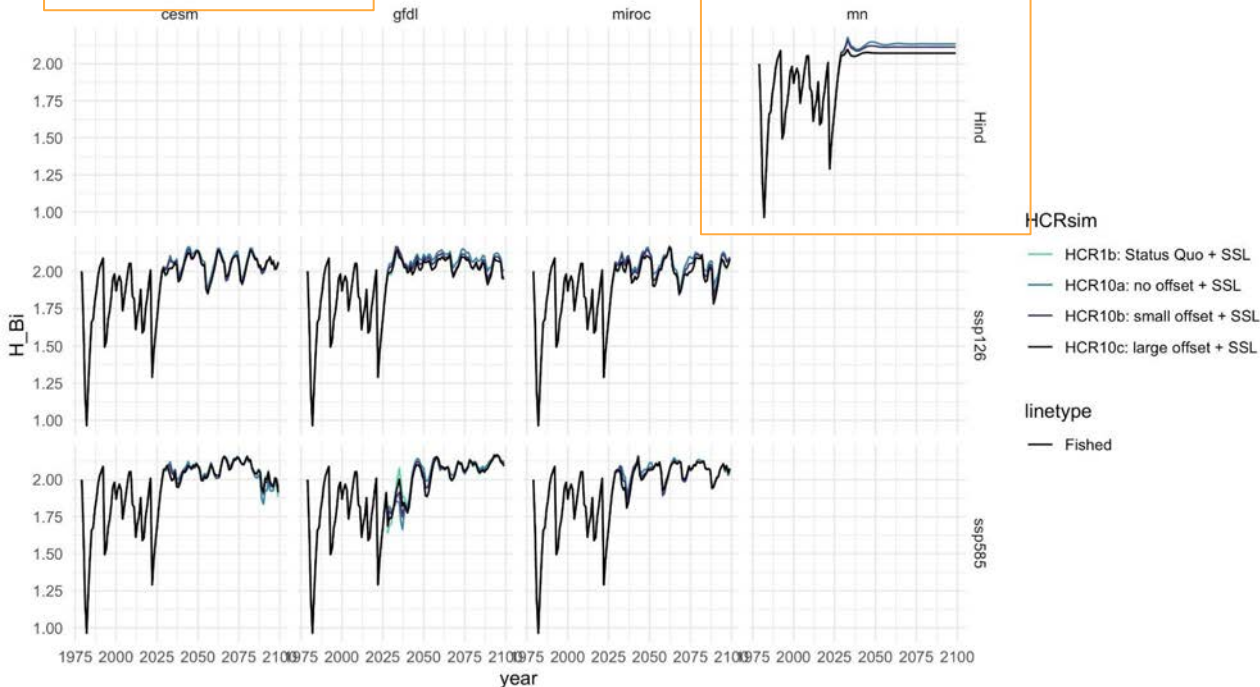
Pollock

Status Quo HCR1 is sensitive to B_{target}

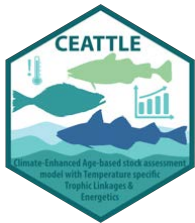
Diversity Index is lower when B_{target} is higher

Diversity index for Biomass

Target: 0.7

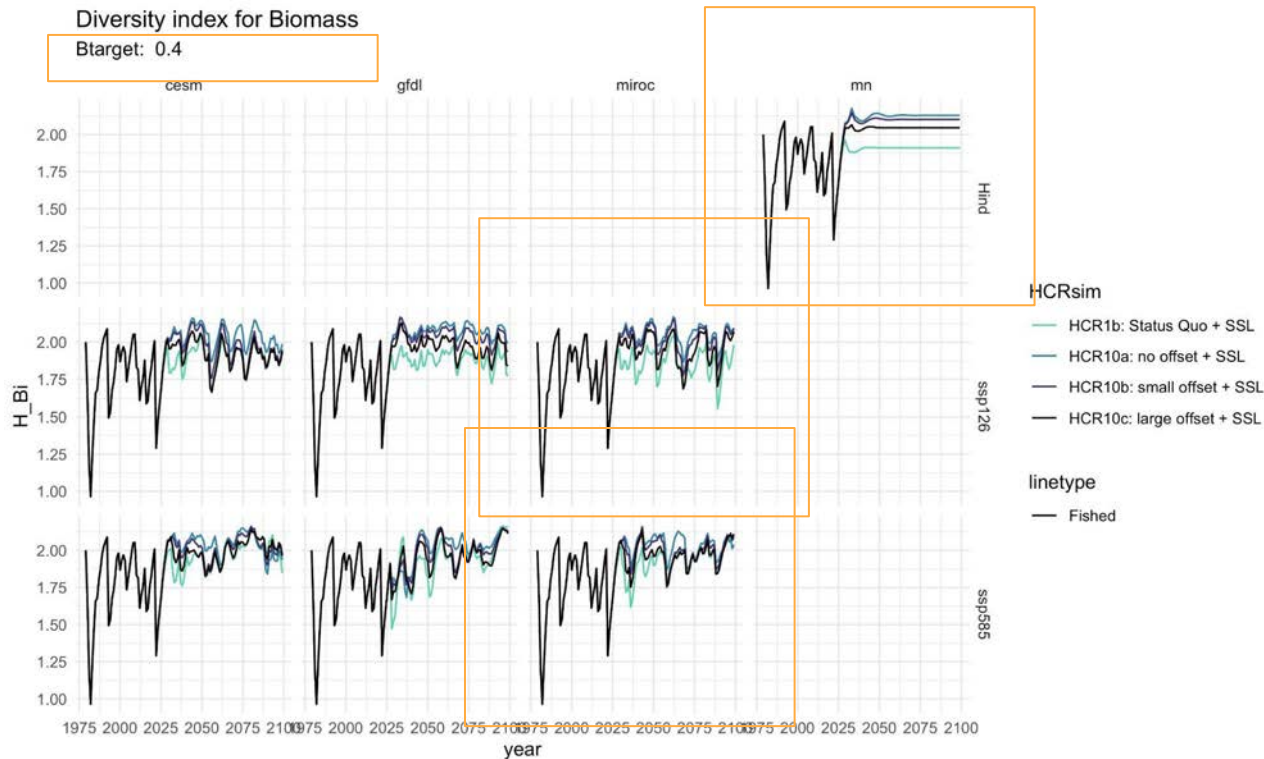


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Environmental variability (productivity pulses) reduces that difference for HCR1



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Questions?

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