# Patterns and ecosystem impacts of global invertebrate fisheries expansion

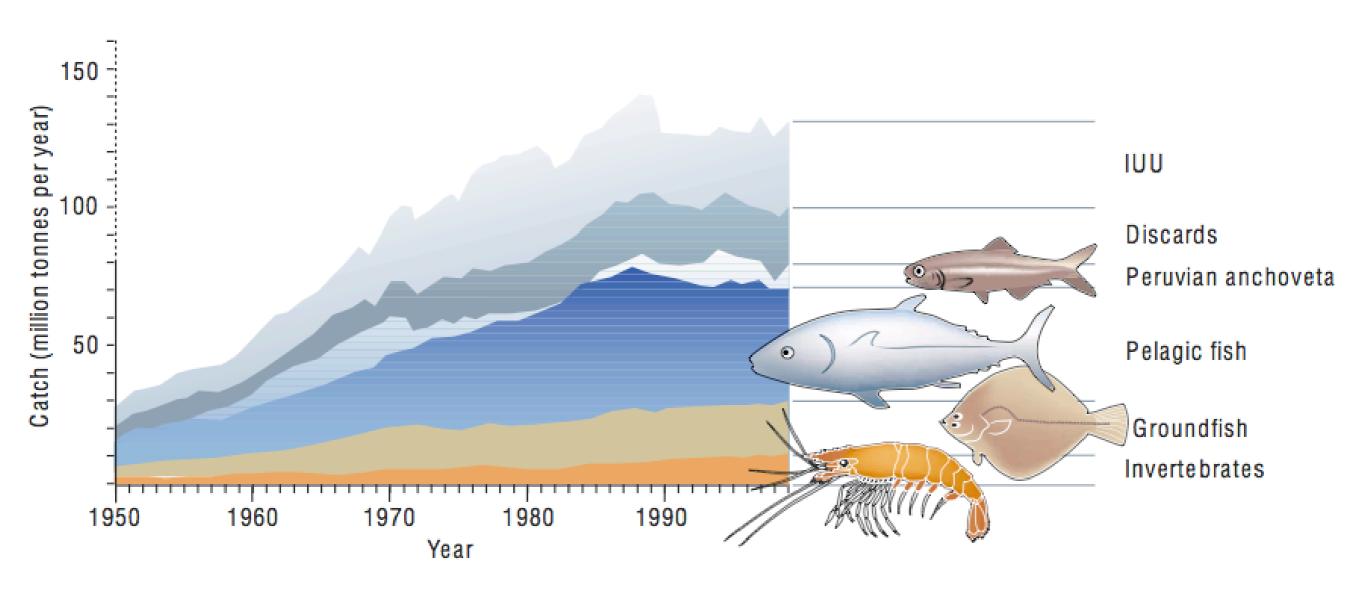
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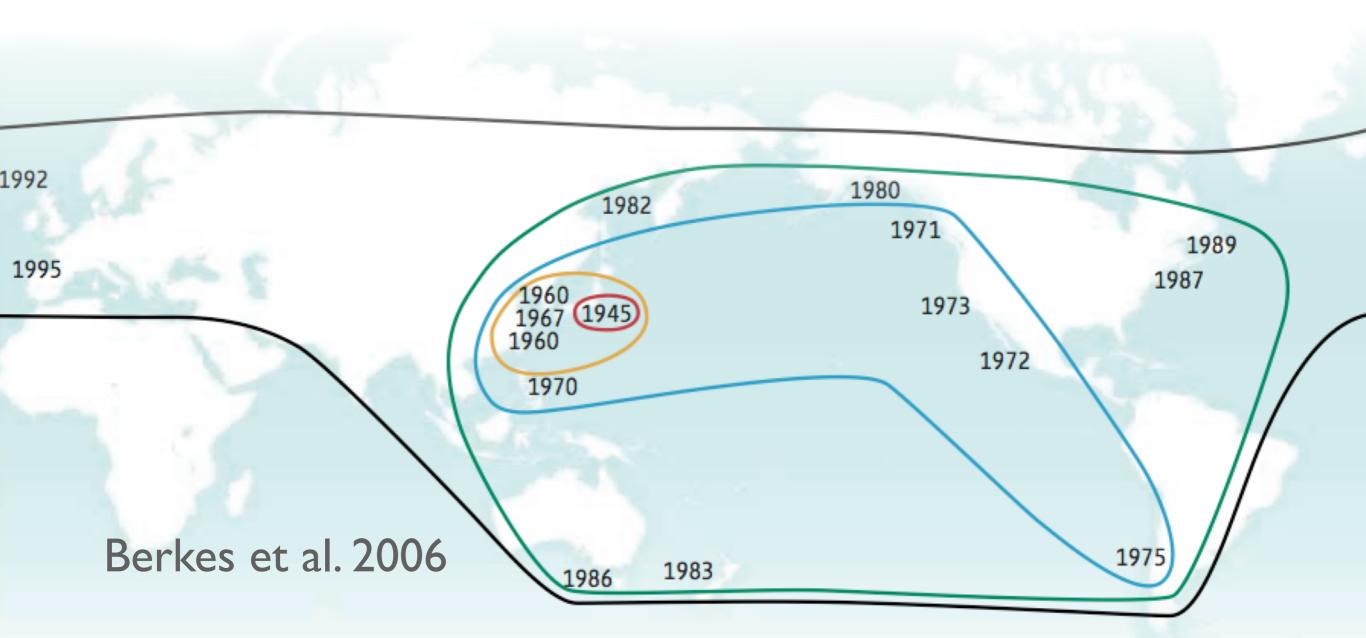
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# Global expansion



Pauly et al. 2002

# Global patterns?



#### Objective I:

Describe the global expansion of invertebrate fisheries over time and space as a whole and by taxonomic groups, functional groups, and gear types.

#### Objective 2:

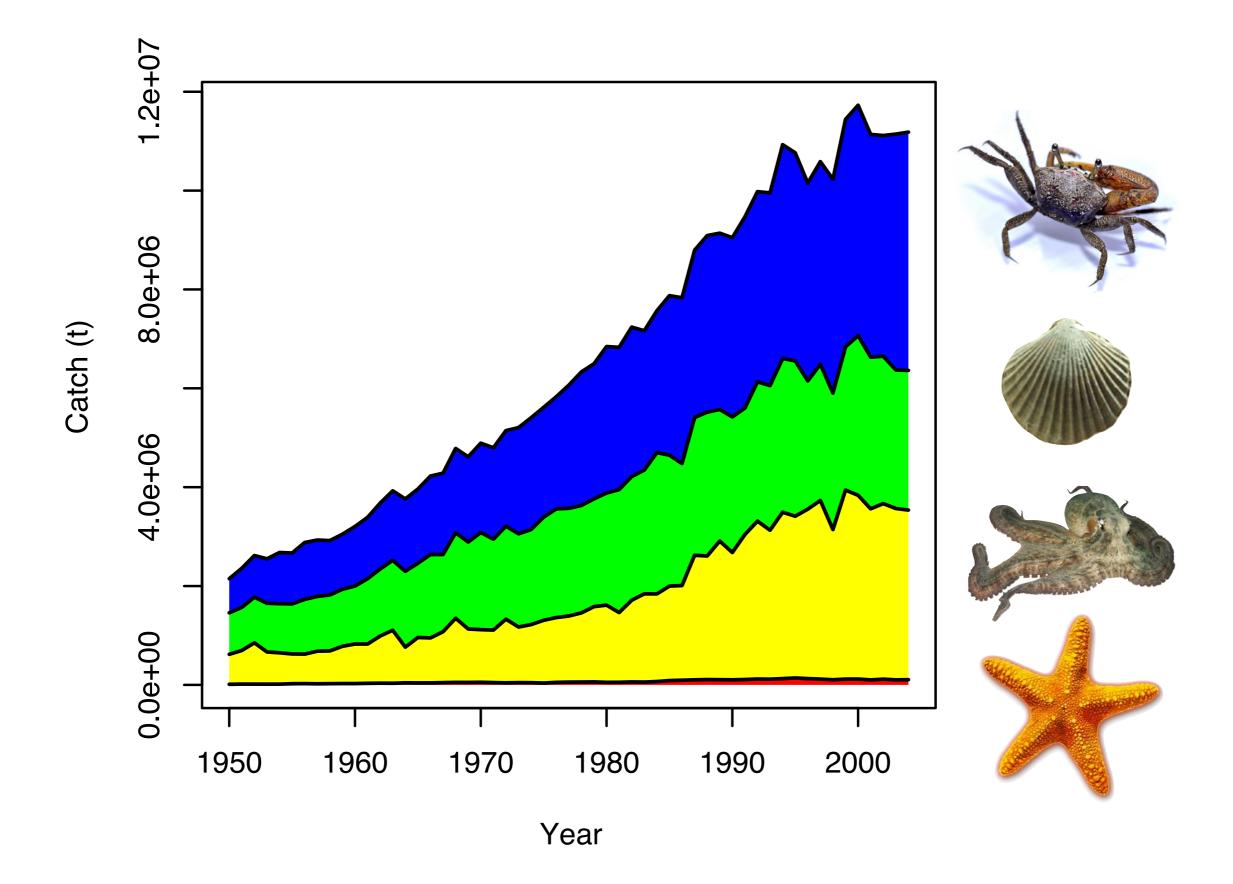
Formally identify the common drivers of these patterns and their potential consequences such as serial depletion.

Section I:

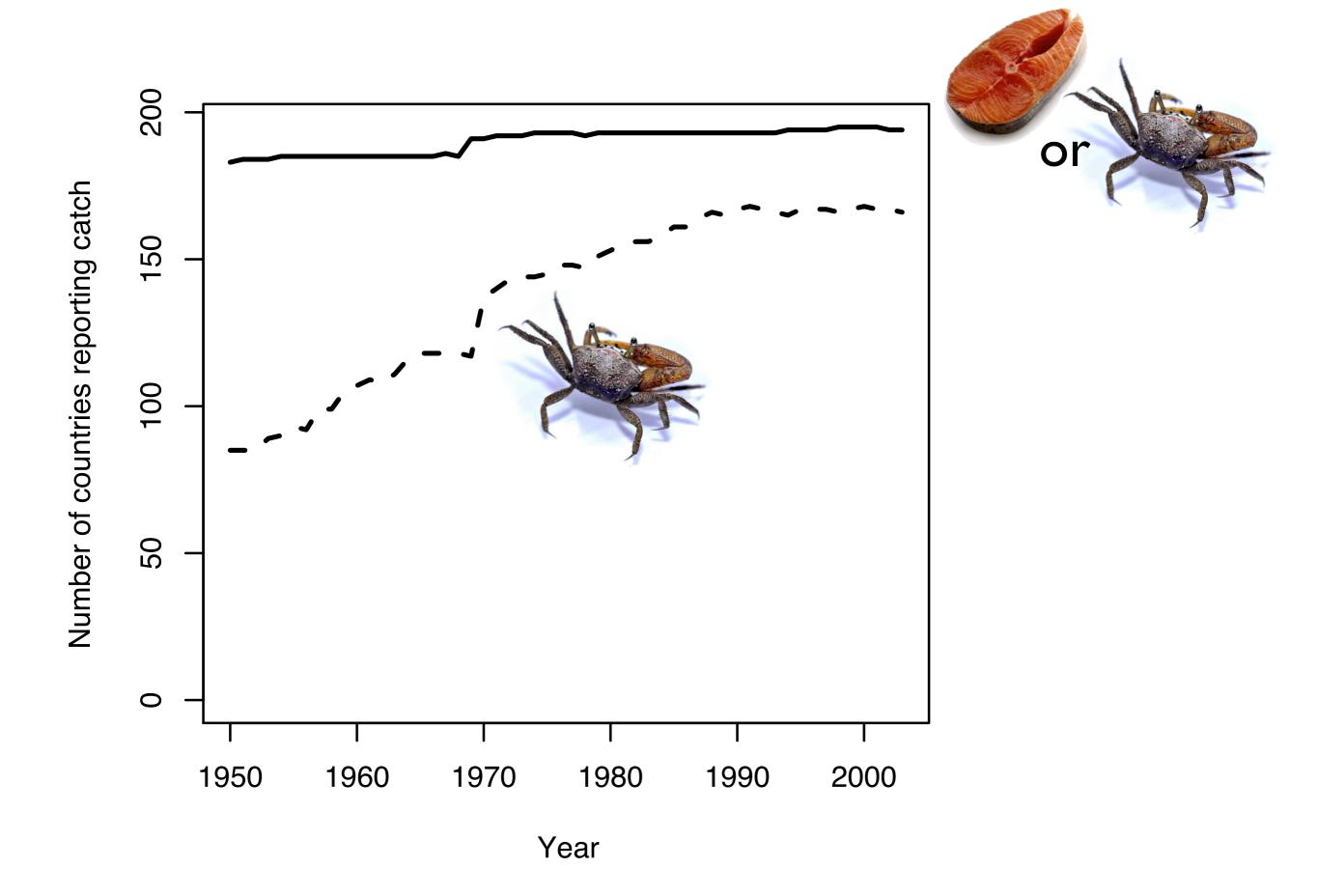
Global expansion
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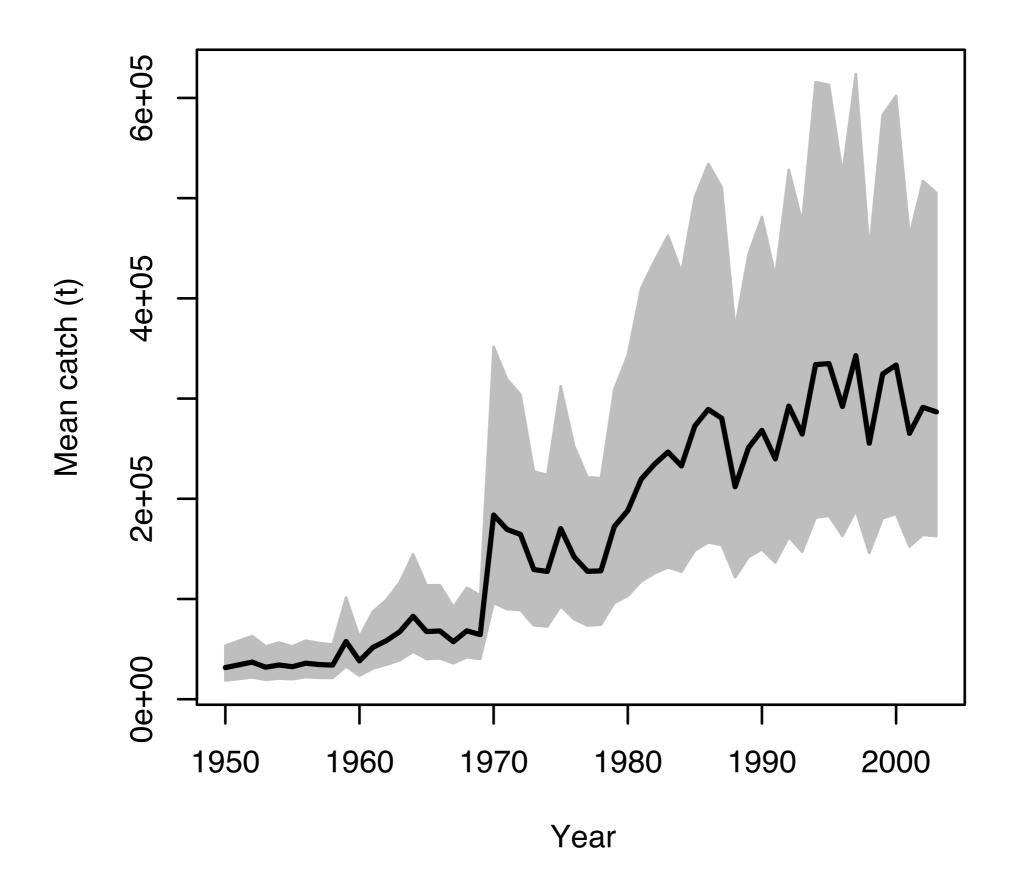
- I Global expansion
- Global catch and diversity of catch
- Overall and by taxonomic groups, at what rate is global invertebrate catch increasing?



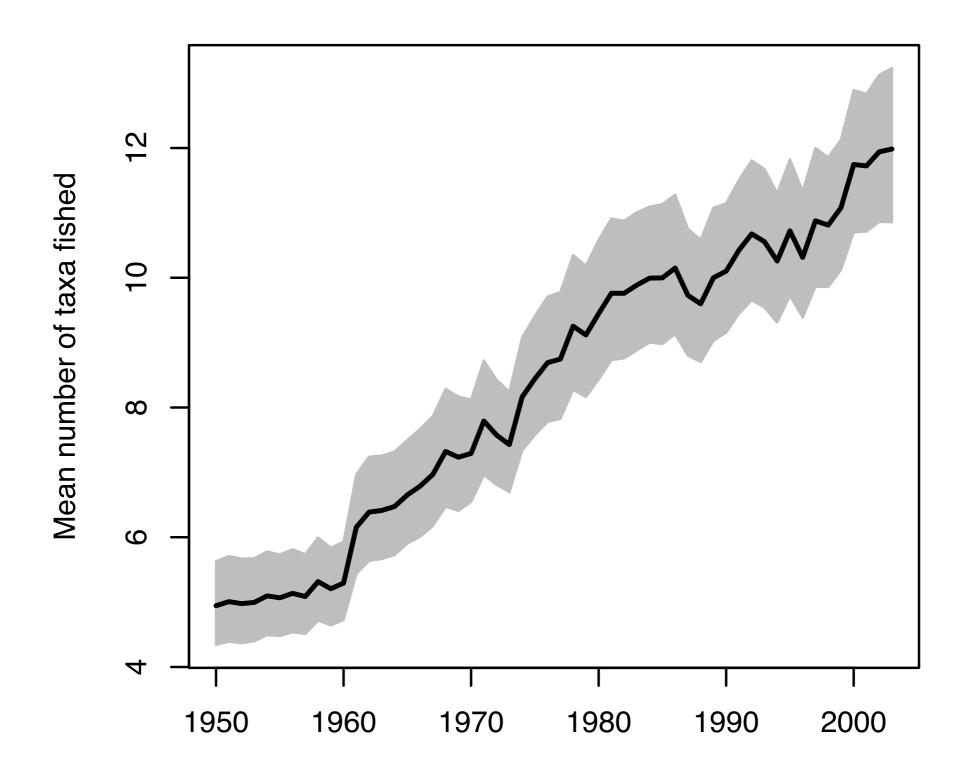
- I Global expansion
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- 2 To what extent is **increased reporting** to FAO responsible for the trends observed in these and further analyses?



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- 3 To what extent are those countries that are fishing invertebrates fishing them harder?

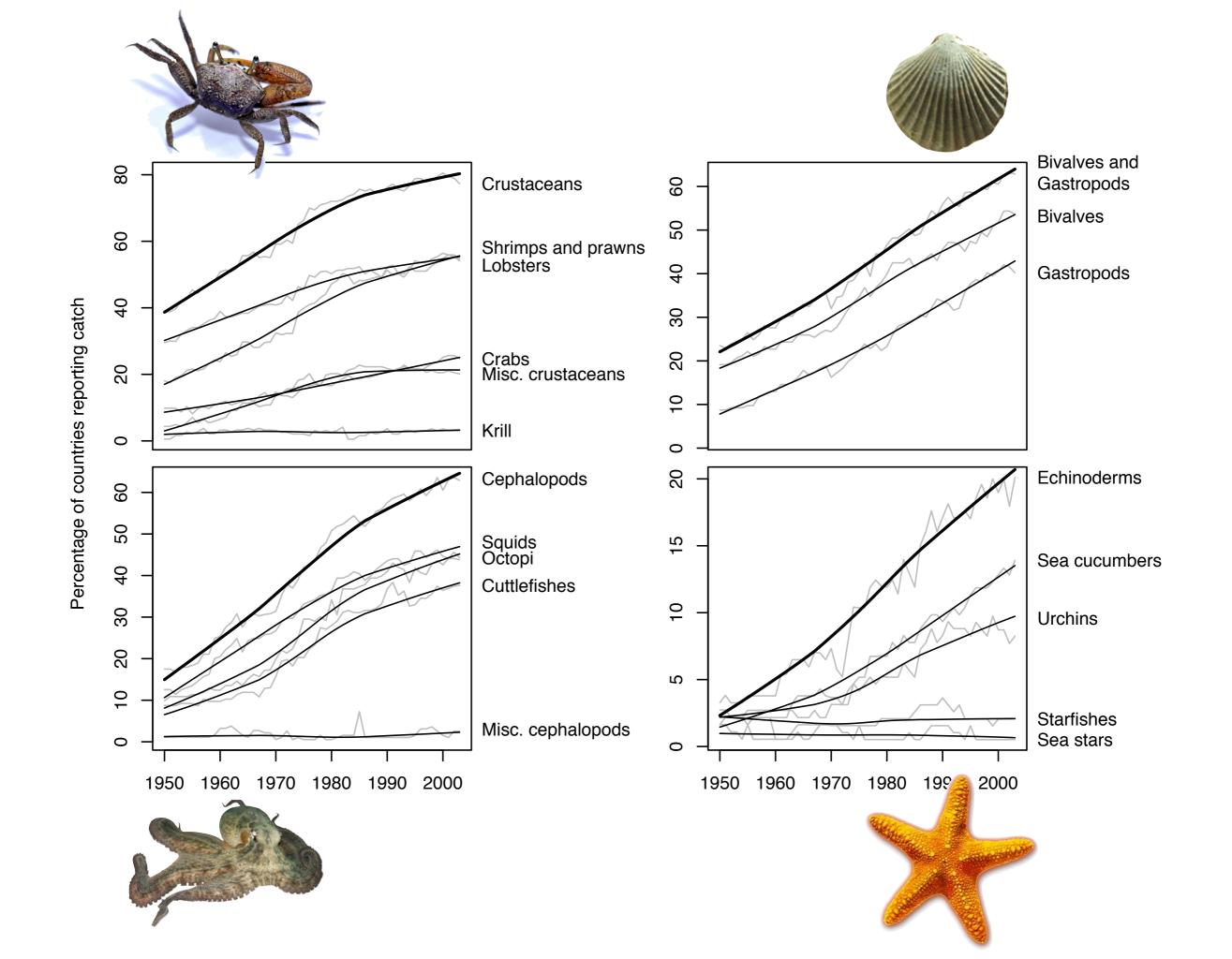


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- 4 To what extent is the diversity of invertebrate species fished increasing?



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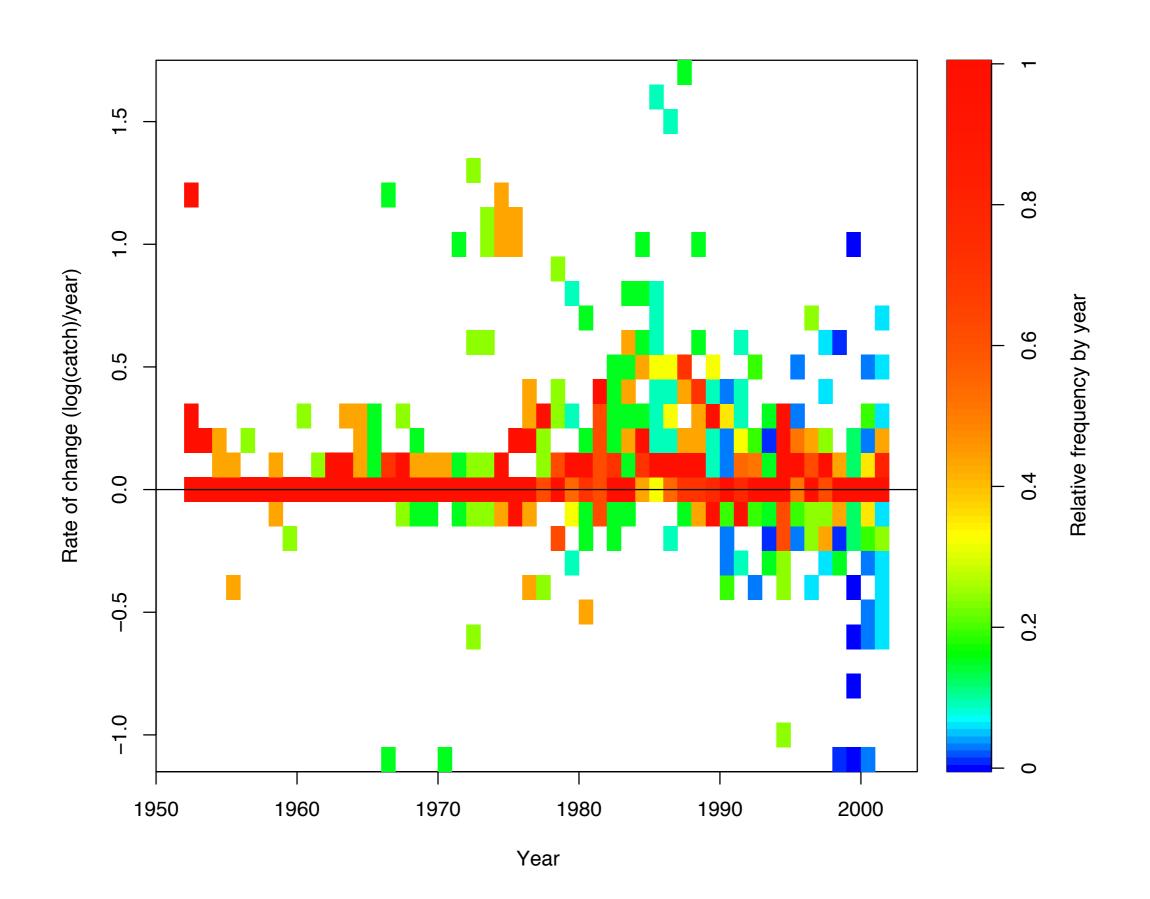
To what extent is there spatial expansion of invertebrate fisheries?



- I Global expansion
- 3 The underlying patterns

What are the underlying patterns to the overall increasing catch trends?

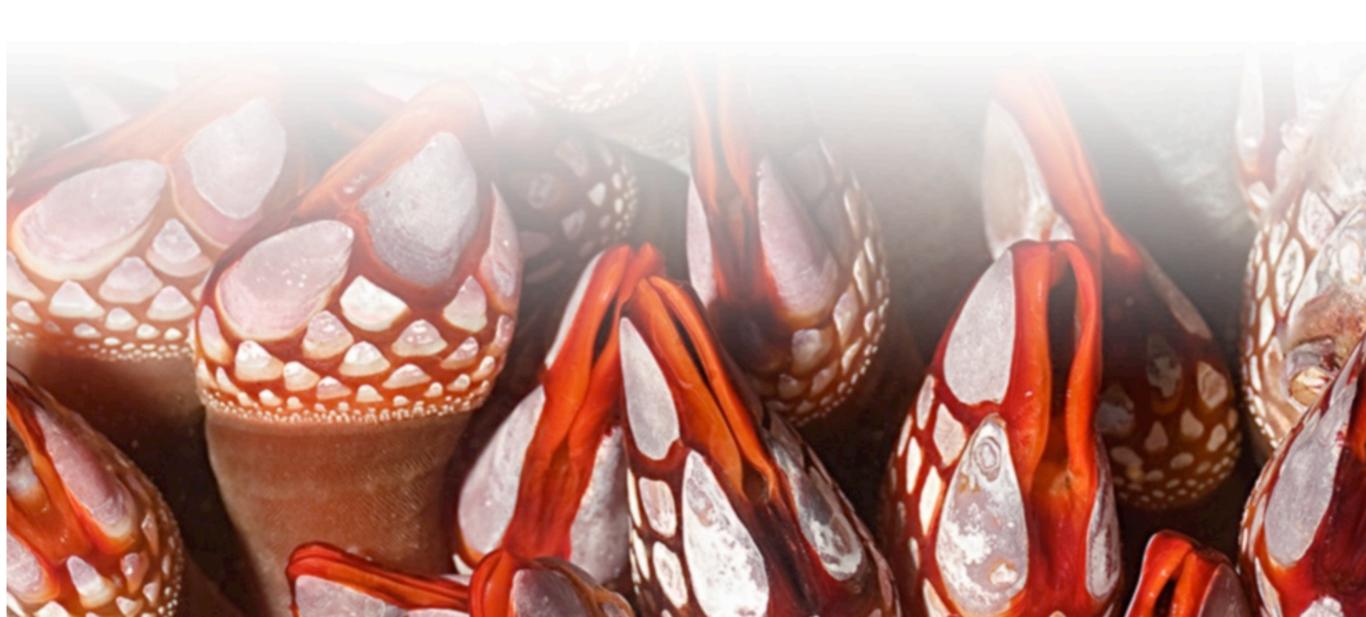
### Sea cucumber



- I Global expansion
- 4 Food-web changes

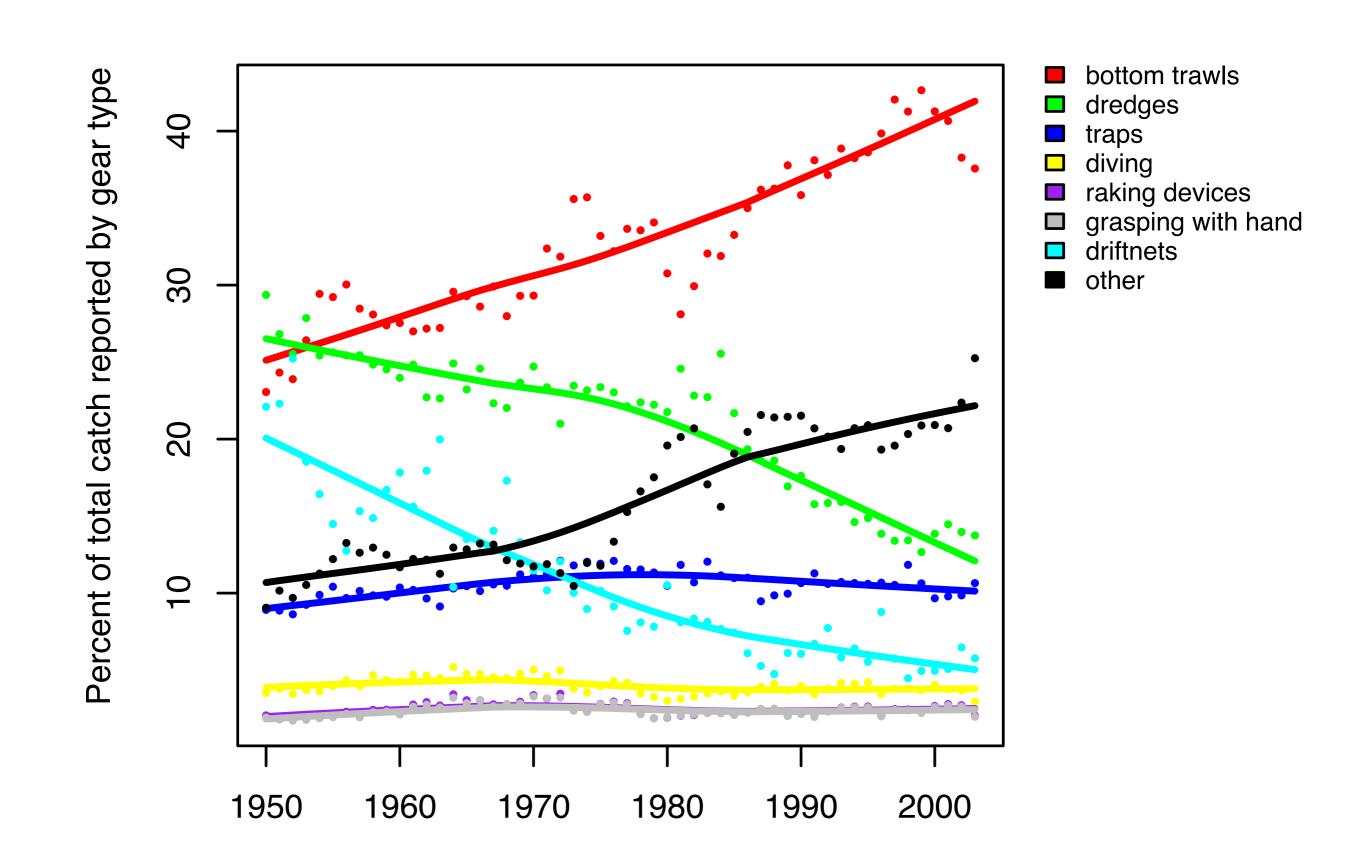
What are the trends in invertebrate fishery catch by functional group?

carnivores filter feeders herbivores detritivores scavengers



- I Global expansion
- 5 Habitat impact

What are the trends in invertebrate fishery gear type?



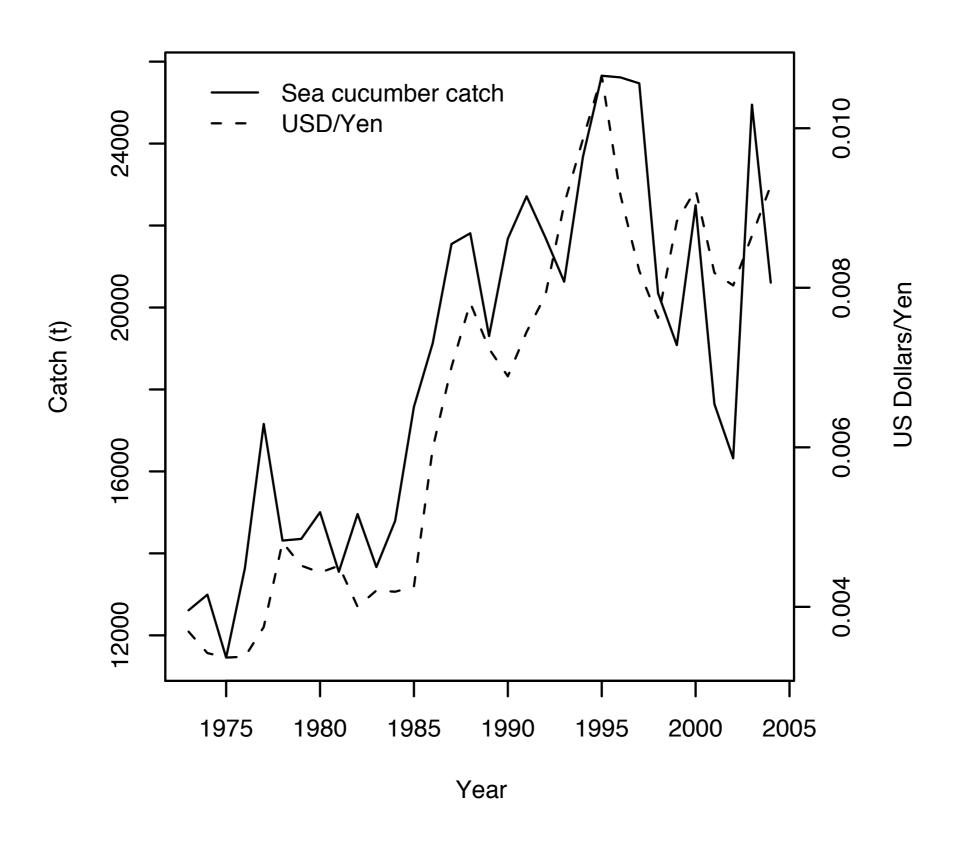


Section 2:

# Common drivers and consequences

- 2 Drivers and consequences
- What are the common drivers of invertebrate fisheries catch?

## Sea cucumber catch & USD/Yen



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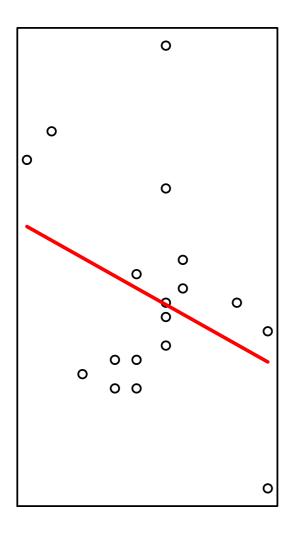
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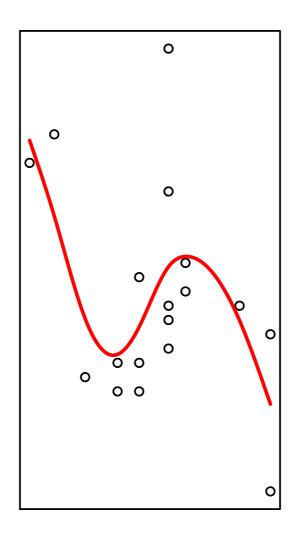
#### Generalized additive model:

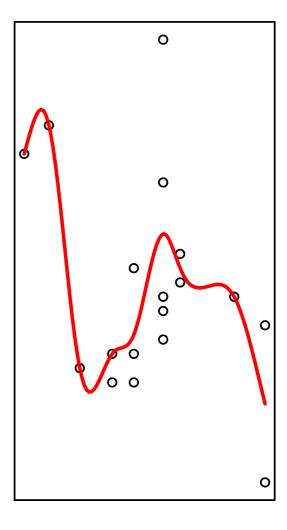
$$g\{\mathbb{E}(Catch)\} = f_1(Year_i) + f_2(Value_i),$$

 $Catch_i \sim Exponential\ distribution$ 

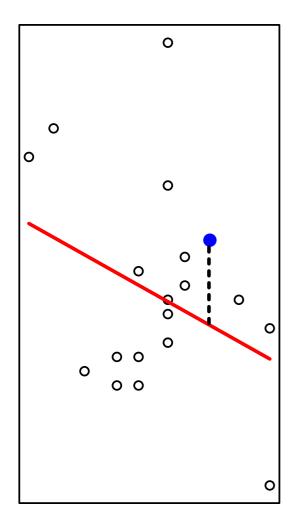
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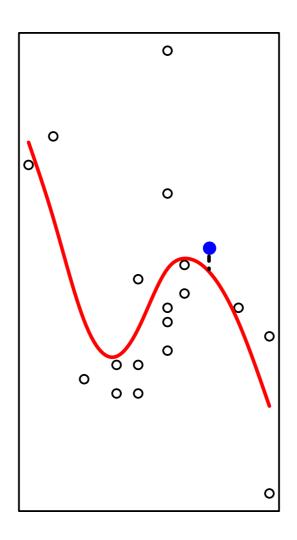


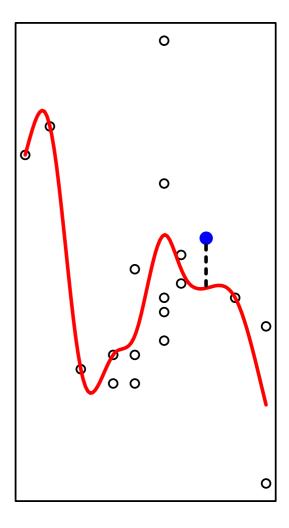




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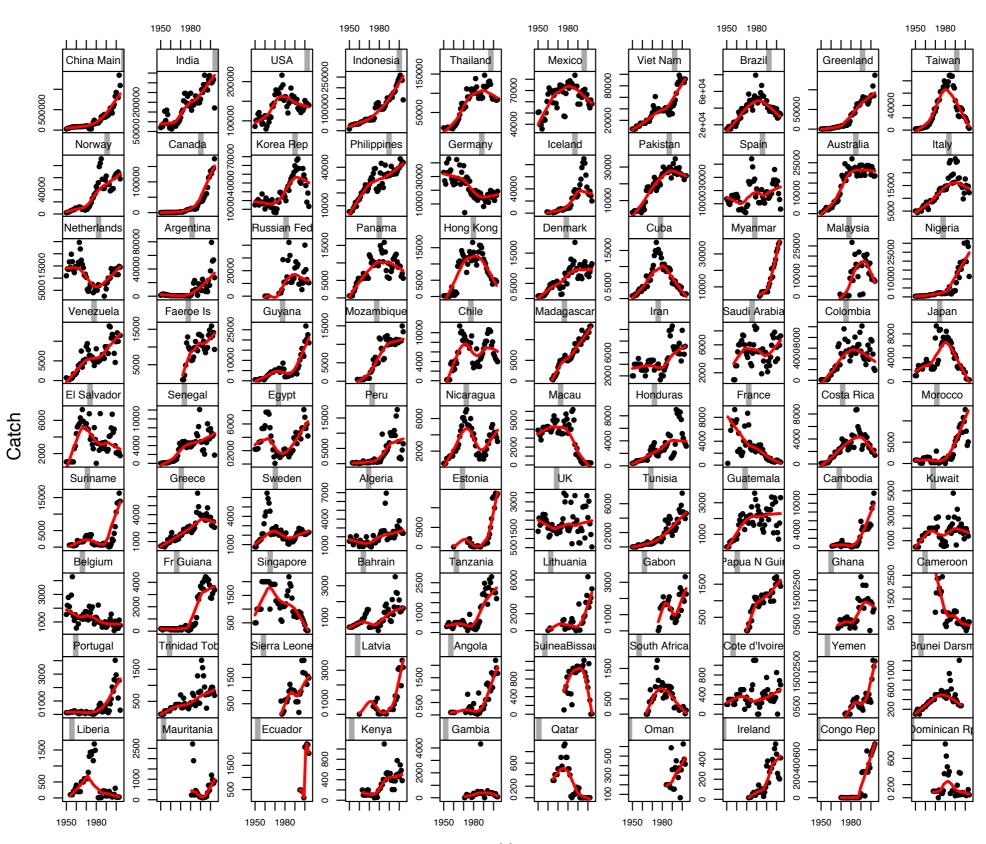


"...it is usually better to be able to say something approximate about the right model, rather than something very precise about the wrong model."

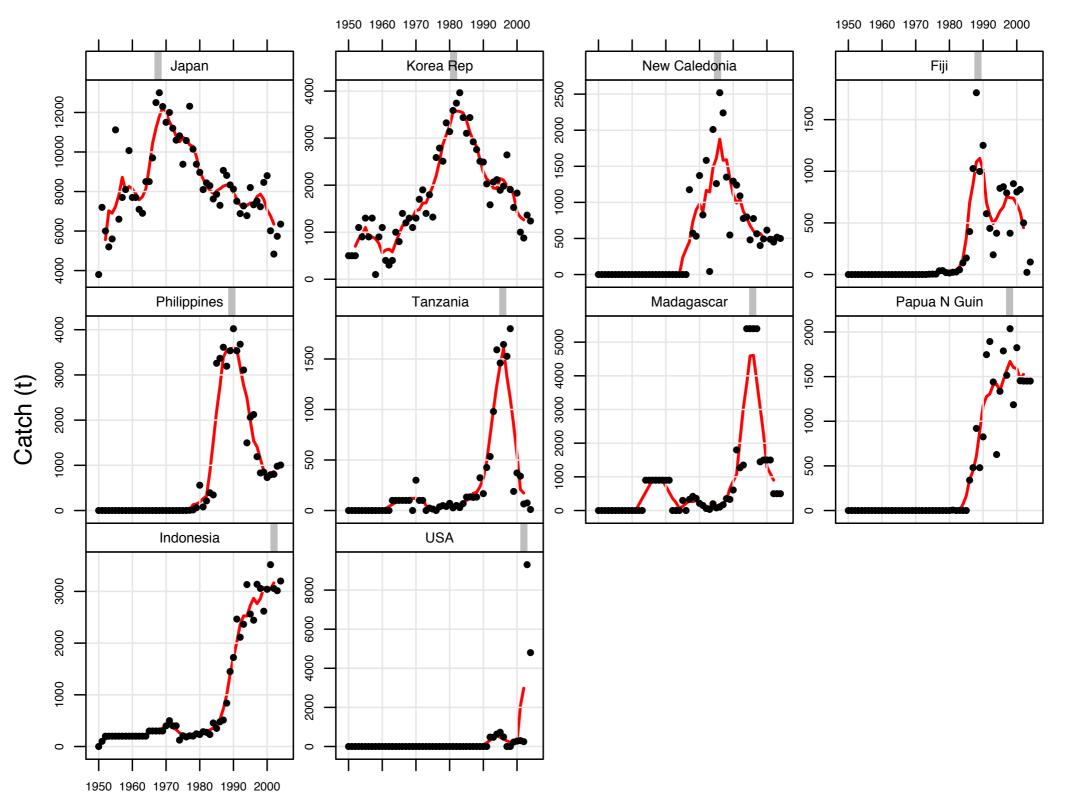
Simon Wood author of mgcv

- 2 Drivers and consequences
- 2 To what degree might these drivers be causing detectable patterns of serial depletion?

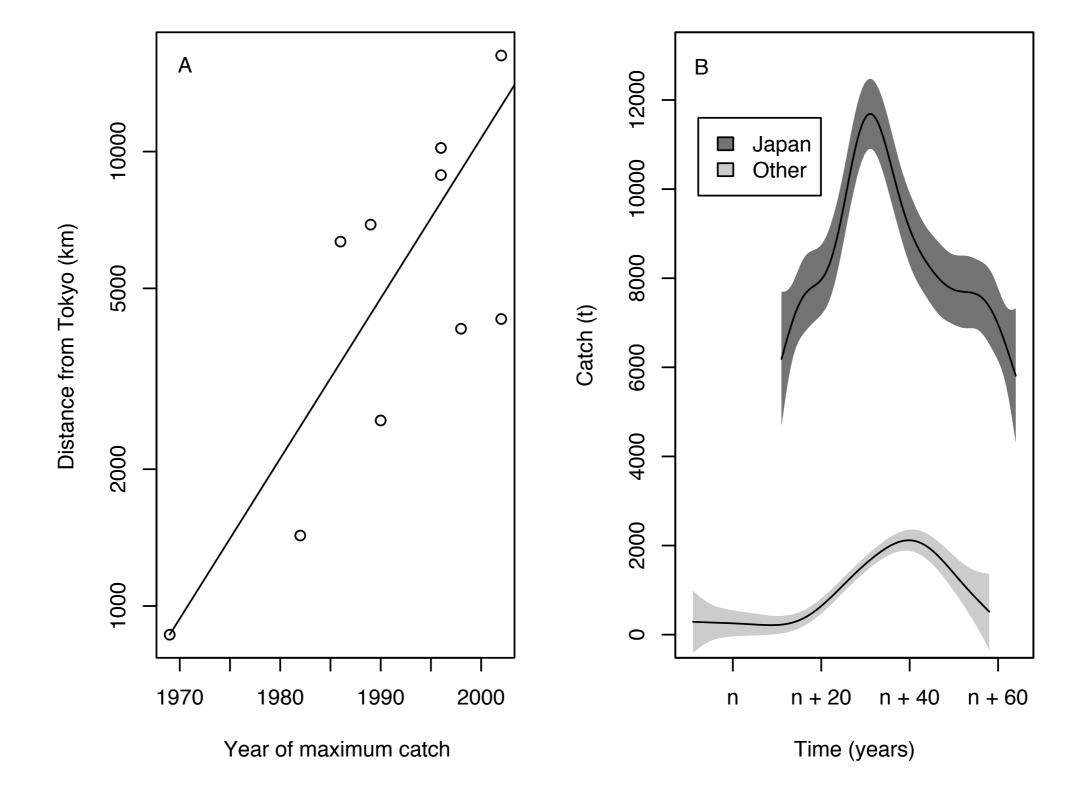
## Shrimps and prawns



## Sea cucumber









# Conclusions

Overview lacking
Global forces
Growing issue

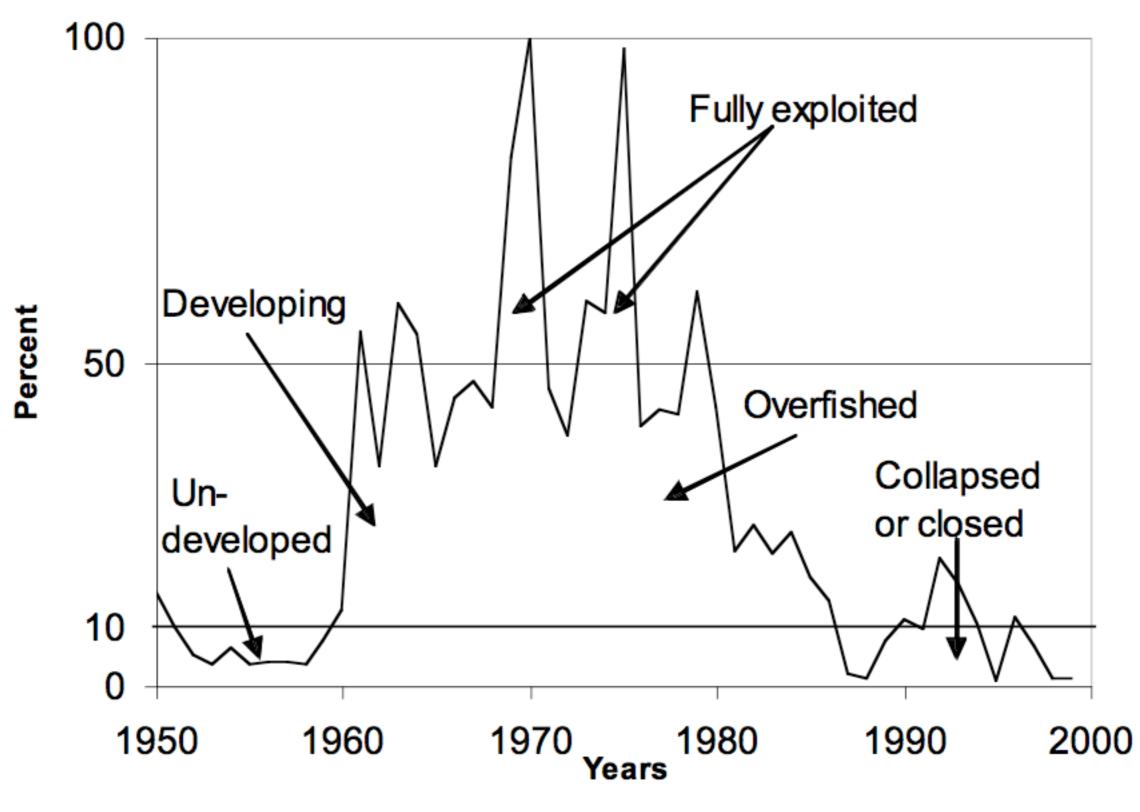
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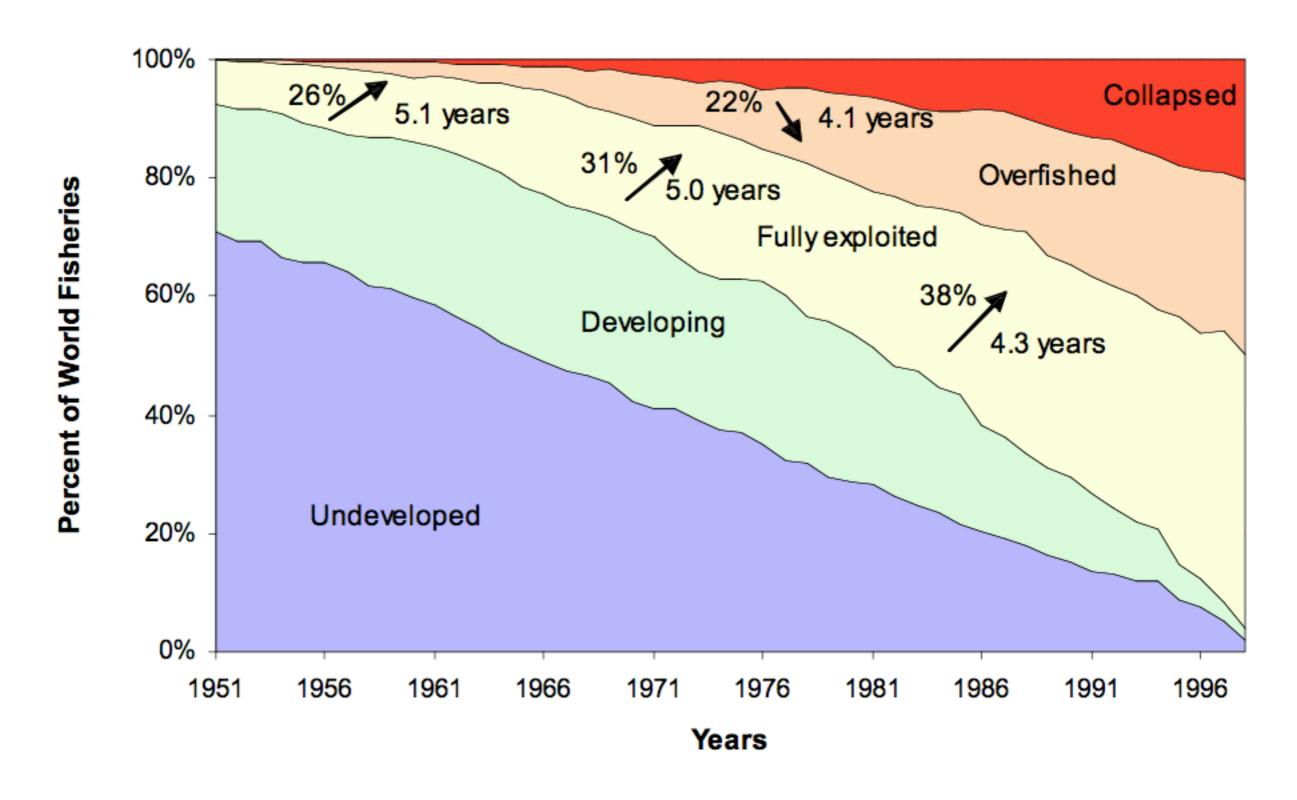


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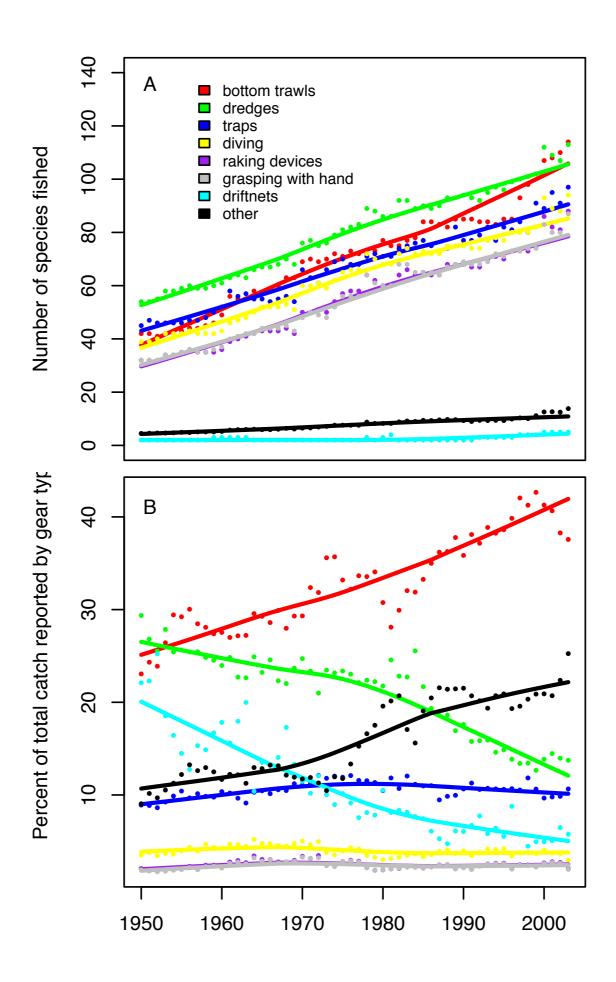




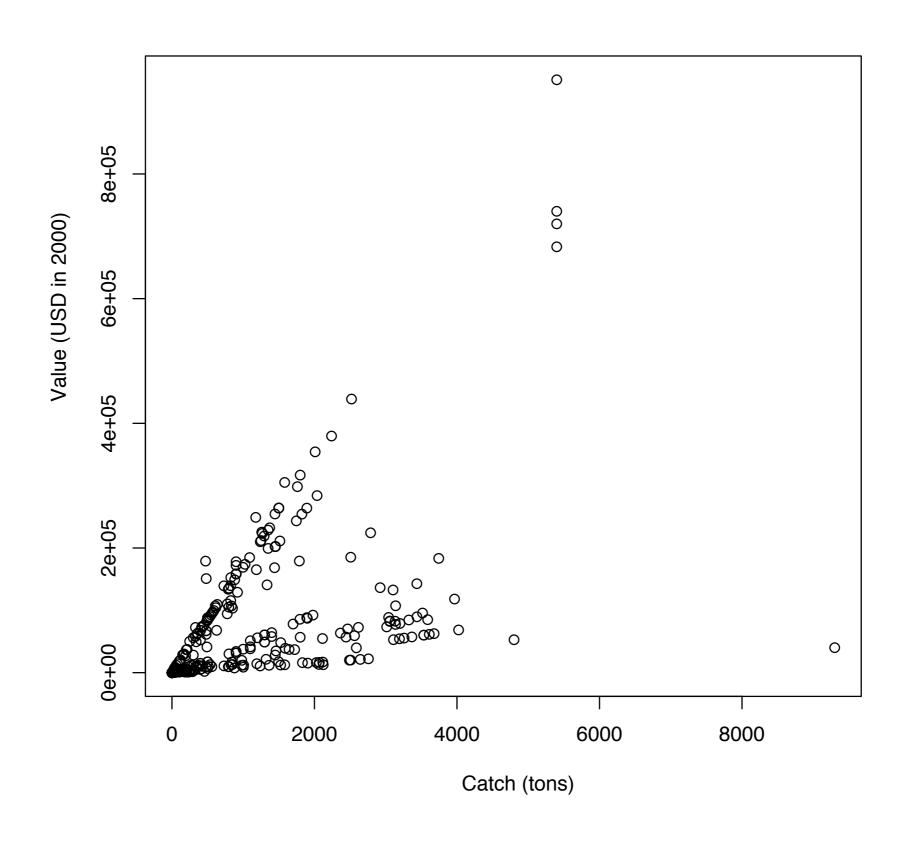
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# Ex-fisher vessel price



#### Sea cucumber catch (t/100 sq/ km/year): 1950

