

Herring recruitment and SSB analyses for paper

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Overview

At the working group meeting #1, we talked about using a few different herring responses in our models, to test different effects about changes in juvenile or adult life stages.

1. Adult biomass

We'd like to keep the response as close to real data as possible (rather than derived stock assessment model output), but we can really only do that for the adult biomass. The ASA model produces an estimate of spawning stock biomass (SSB), which is very correlated with the miles of milt from aerial surveys, so we can use milt as an index of SSB.

2. Juvenile biomass

We only have ASA model output for this, but for each brood year, the herring ASA model for PWS gives an estimate of age 3 recruitment (these numbers are in columns N and O in the ASA spreadsheet).

Data Processing

Read in the data. We'll primarily use data from brood years 1981 - 2011, because those are the span of years from the ASA model with R/S and covariates known (hatchery releases before 1980 incomplete).

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pwsher = read_excel("../data/herring/PWS_herring_final.xlsx")
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Plot the response, $\log(\text{Recruits}/\text{Spawners})$.

```
subset = which(pwsher$BroodYear%in%seq(1981,2011))
Y = log(as.numeric(pwsher$RecPerSpawn[subset])) # log(R/S)

par(mfrow = c(2,2),mgp=c(2,1,0),mai=c(0.8,0.6,0.2,0.05))
plot(1981:2011,Y, xlab="Year",ylab="log(Age.3 Recruits/Spawner)",main="PWS",type="b")
plot(1981:2011, pwsher$Rec3Obs[subset], xlab="Year",ylab="Recruits",main="PWS",type="b")
plot(1981:2011, pwsher$BroodYearSB[subset], xlab="Year",ylab="Spawners",main="PWS",type="b")
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Plot the data, as $\log(\text{Recruits}/\text{Spawners})$ versus Spawners over the period we're using, 1981-2011. This is the same formulation as the Ricker model assumes (below).

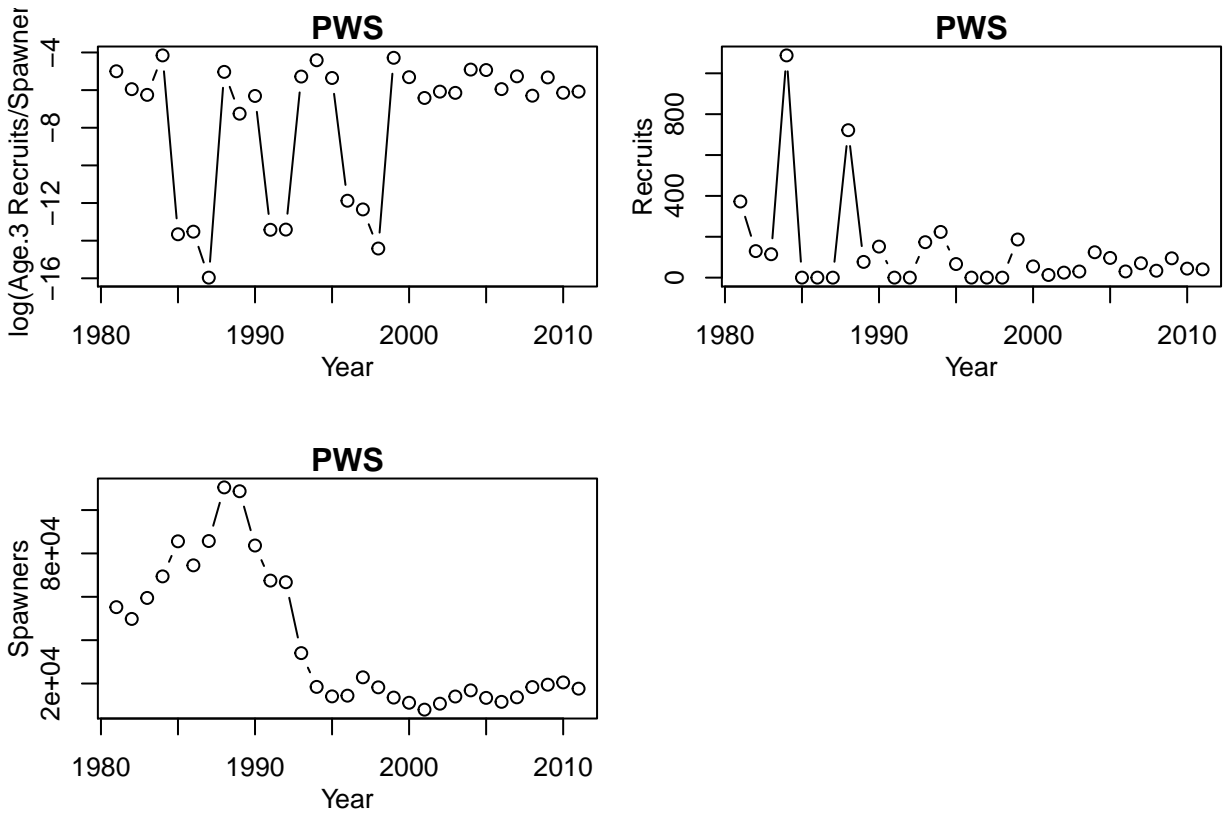


Figure 1: $\log(\text{Recruits} / \text{Spawner})$ over time, 1981-2011

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subset = which(pwsher$BroodYear%in%seq(1981,2011))
Y = log(as.numeric(pwsher$RecPerSpawn[subset])) # log(R/S)
X = as.numeric(pwsher$BroodYearSB[subset]) # number of spawners

par(mfrow = c(2,2),mgp=c(2,1,0),mai=c(0.8,0.6,0.2,0.05))
plot(X,Y, xlab="Spawners",ylab="log(Recruits/Spawner)",main="",type="b")
# fit linear model
lines(X, predict.lm(lm(Y~X),newdata=data.frame(X)), col="blue",lwd=3)
mod = lm(Y~X)
plot(1981:2011,mod$residuals, xlab="Year",ylab="Residuals",main="",type="b")

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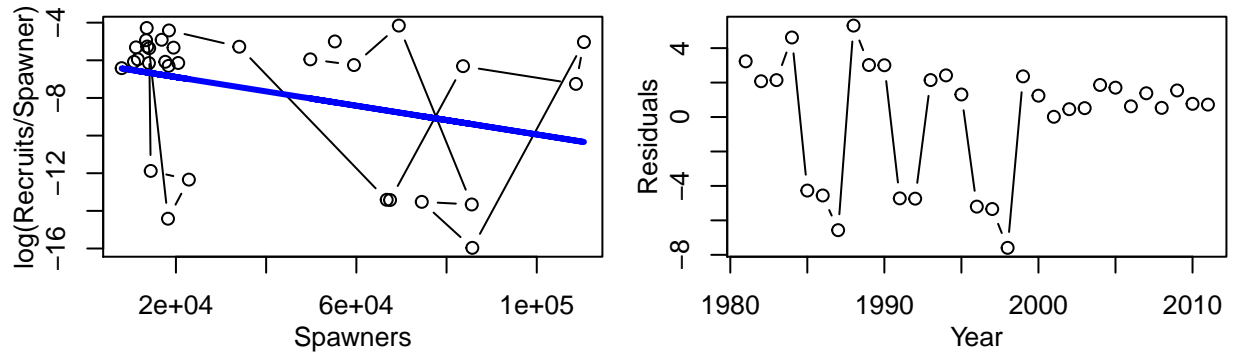


Figure 2: Raw data plot of $\log(R/S)$ on Spawners, 1981-2011

Modeling recruitment

We'll conduct this analysis using the Ricker stock-recruit model, which is equivalent to a linear regression model,

$$\log(R/S)_t = a_i + b_i * S_t + c_i * X_t + e_i$$

where a_i represents the population-specific intercept, b_i is a density-dependent parameter (generally negative), c_i is an optional coefficient(s) incorporating a time-varying covariate X_t , and e_i is an error term. Simple models for the error are IID white noise, which we'll adopt here.

Constructing the basic (null) model with no covariates.

We'll start with just using data 1981-2011, and spawners as a predictor of recruitment. Recruits / spawner is not modeled as an autoregressive state-space process, but all uncertainty is assumed to have arisen from measurement and observation error. Hypotheses for mechanistic relationships are discussed and evaluated below.

```

subset = which(pwsher$BroodYear%in%seq(1981,2011))

Y = log(as.numeric(pwsher$RecPerSpawn[subset])) # log(R/S)
X = as.numeric(pwsher$RecPerSpawn[subset]) # number of spawners
nT = length(Y)

# fit in initial Ricker S-R state space model
cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=1, ncol = nT)

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cMat[1,] = X
models = list()
```

Model	AICc	Coef
Null model	171.821	NA
Density dependence	153.545	593.41662427

Hypothesis 1: EVOS had a negative impact on herring productivity

The EVOS spill occurred in 1989. Herring typically migrate to the ocean 2 years after spawning, so the immediate impacts of the spill may have impacted recruitment from brood years 1987, 1988, and 1989.

We'll include the impacts of the EVOS spill. We'll do this 3 ways: creating a pulse impact, a press impact, and a press impact followed by a recovery back to the original state. The form of the recovery was assumed to be linear over a 20 - year period.

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par(mfrow = c(2,2),mgp=c(2,1,0))
plot(pwsher$BroodYear, 1-pwsher$EVOS.pulse.lag0, xlab = "", ylab = "Impact",
     main = "Pulse",col="blue",lwd=3,type="l")
plot(pwsher$BroodYear, 1-pwsher$EVOS.press.lag0, xlab = "", ylab = "Impact",
     main = "Press",col="blue",lwd=3,type="l")
plot(pwsher$BroodYear, pwsher$EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag0, xlab = "", ylab = "Impact",
     main = "Pulse/Recovery",col="blue",lwd=3,type="l")
```

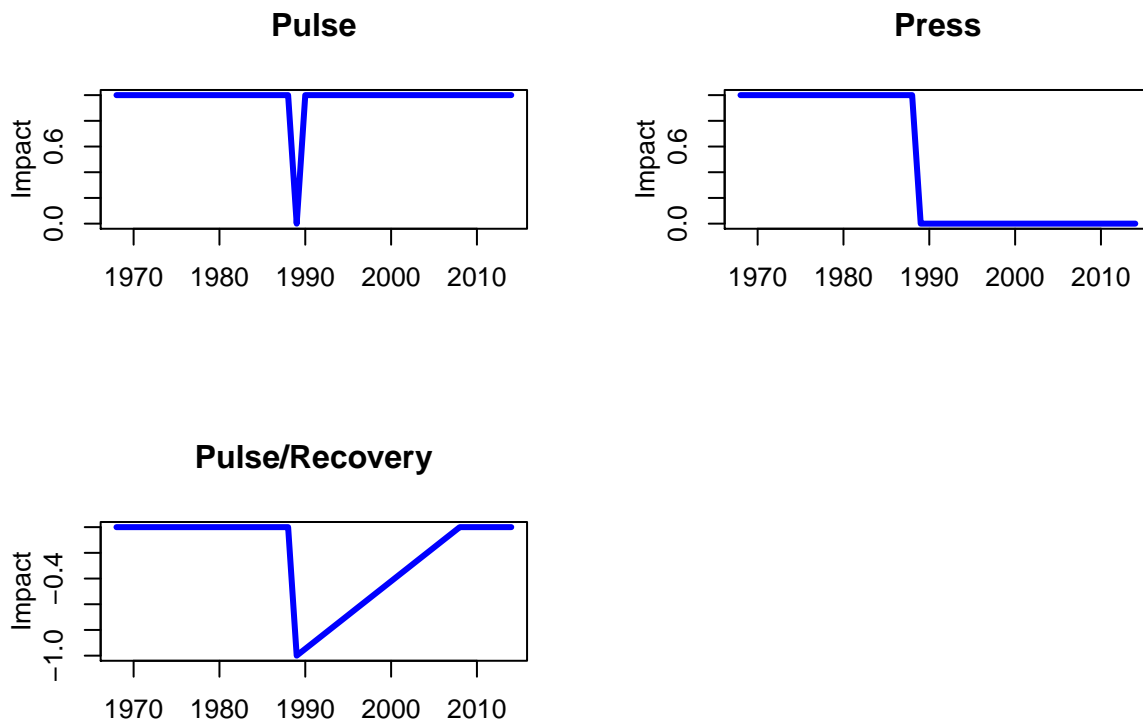


Figure 3: Illustration of covariates representing EVOS impacts

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library(MARSS)
covar.names = c("EVOS.pulse.lag0", "EVOS.press.lag0", "EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag0",
  "EVOS.pulse.lag1", "EVOS.press.lag1", "EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag1",
  "EVOS.pulse.lag2", "EVOS.press.lag2", "EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag2")
# fit in initial Ricker S-R state space model

cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=2, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X

evos.models = list()
```

Model	AICc	Coef
EVOS.pulse.lag0	154.744	3.20957037
EVOS.press.lag0	156.402	-0.27799353
EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag0	156.201	0.66390167
EVOS.pulse.lag1	154.587	3.33669877
EVOS.press.lag1	155.622	-1.52851784
EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag1	155.052	1.54837491
EVOS.pulse.lag2	154.826	-3.22491752
EVOS.press.lag2	153.177	-2.95895707
EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag2	152.433	2.55624578

These results show that most of the EVOS models do worse than the null model, maybe with the exception of the lag0 model.

Hypothesis 2: Herring productivity in PWS has been negatively impacted by predation and competition from juvenile pink salmon.

Age-1 herring in 1969 may be affected by pink salmon released in 1969 (BY 1968), competing in the later summer or fall months.

```
library(MARSS)
covar.names = c("juv.hatchRelPink.lag2", "juv.hatchRelChum.lag2",
  "juv.wildPinkRun.lag1", "juv.wildChumRun.lag2")
# fit in initial Ricker S-R state space model

cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=2, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X

juvComp.models = list()
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Model	AICc	Coef
juv.hatchRelPink.lag2	156.427	0
juv.hatchRelChum.lag2	150.072	-5e-08
juv.wildPinkRun.lag1	156.386	-4e-08
juv.wildChumRun.lag2	151.674	7.39e-06

These results show that there isn't much support for including pink or chum competition with herring as a predictor for the decline (AICc worse than null model).

Hypothesis 3: Herring productivity in PWS has been negatively impacted by predation and competition from adult pink (and chum) salmon

```
library(MARSS)
pwsher$ad.totalPinkRun.lag1 = pwsher$ad.wildPinkRun.lag1 + pwsher$ad.hatchPinkRun.lag1
covar.names = c("ad.hatchPinkRun.lag1", "ad.hatchRelChum.lag2",
"ad.wildPinkRun.lag1", "ad.wildChumRun.lag1",
"ad.totalPinkRun.lag1")
# fit in initial Ricker S-R state space model

cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=2, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X

adComp.models = list()
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Model	AICc	Coef
ad.hatchPinkRun.lag1	156.199	2e-08
ad.hatchRelChum.lag2	152.458	-5e-08
ad.wildPinkRun.lag1	153.205	1.2e-07
ad.wildChumRun.lag1	155.646	-1.16e-06
ad.totalPinkRun.lag1	155.211	3e-08

These results show that adult runs of chum or pink salmon may have a negative impact on PWS herring recruitment.

Hypothesis 4: Herring productivity in PWS has been largely shaped by changing ocean conditions (SST, PDO)

```
library(MARSS)
covar.names = c("humpbacks", "Upwelling.summerBefore",
"Upwelling.summerAfter", "discharge.lag0", "discharge.lag1",
"win.sst.lag1", "win.sst.lag0")
# fit in initial Ricker S-R state space model

cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=2, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X

enviro.models = list()
```

Model	AICc	Coef
humpbacks	154.957	-0.03538012
Upwelling.summerBefore	154.426	-0.1956743
Upwelling.summerAfter	156.301	0.04565842
discharge.lag0	147.106	-3.913e-05
discharge.lag1	156.554	-3.61e-06
win.sst.lag1	155.79	-0.80434565
win.sst.lag0	150.021	-2.4536092

These results show that most of the environmental indices (or humpbacks) doesn't appear to have a strong impact on PWS herring recruitment. The exception is discharge, which has a huge improvement as a predictor (- 8 log likelihood units)

Using this best model, let's look at including some of the EVOS or pink/chum covariates with discharge.

```
library(MARSS)
covar.names = c("EVOS.press.lag2", "EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag2",
"ad.hatchRelPink.lag2", "ad.hatchRelChum.lag2")

cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=3, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X
cMat[2,] = pwsher[subset,"discharge.lag0"]

combo.models = list()
```

Model	AICc	Coef
Discharge+ EVOS.press.lag2	147.707	0
Discharge+ EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag2	147.619	0
Discharge+ ad.hatchRelPink.lag2	150.009	0
Discharge+ ad.hatchRelChum.lag2	147.399	0

What this shows is that once all of these predictors to the model with discharge, they do roughly equally well, so the model with discharge alone is still best.

The R^2 from this model is about ~ 0.55 , and we can look at the plot of observed and predicted values.

```
cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=2, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X
cMat[2,] = pwsher[subset,"discharge.lag0"]
mod = lm(Y~cMat[1,]+cMat[2,])
```

```
pdf("Figure 3 herring.pdf")
par(mfrow=c(2,1),mgp=c(2,1,0),mai=c(0.7,0.7,0.3,0.1))
plot(pwsher$BroodYear,pwsher$CatchMillionsFish, xlab="", ylab="Catch (millions of herring)",
type="b", lwd=3, xlim=c(1981,2011))
plot(1981:2011, lm(Y~cMat[1,]+cMat[2,])$fitted.values, xlab="", ylim=c(-16,1),type="l",lwd=3,ylab="log(I)",
points(1981:2011, Y, col="grey30",lwd=2,cex=1.2)
dev.off()
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## pdf
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