

Chinook salmon analyses for paper

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This represents an outline / summary of the pink salmon analyses for the paper.

Data Processing

Brief descriptions of Copper River Chinook salmon dataset are as follows:

Copper River Chinook

R/S is calculated as brood year returns / escapement. These are columns 'C' and 'E' from the 'Total_Run_Size' sheet of '2015 Copper River Chinook forecast-FINAL.xlsm'.

Read in the data. All datasets have been trimmed to start at Brood Year 1968. We'll primarily use data 1980 or 1981 - 2008, because those are the span of years with R/S and covariates known (hatchery releases before 1980 incomplete).

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chnk = read_excel("../data/salmon data/data for analysis/Copper_Chinook_final.xlsx")
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Plot the response, $\log(\text{Recruits}/\text{Spawners})$.

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subset = which(chnk$BroodYear%in%seq(1981,2005))
Y = log(as.numeric(chnk$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(1981:2005,Y, xlab="Brood year",ylab="Recruits/Spawner",main="Copper Chinook",
     type="b")

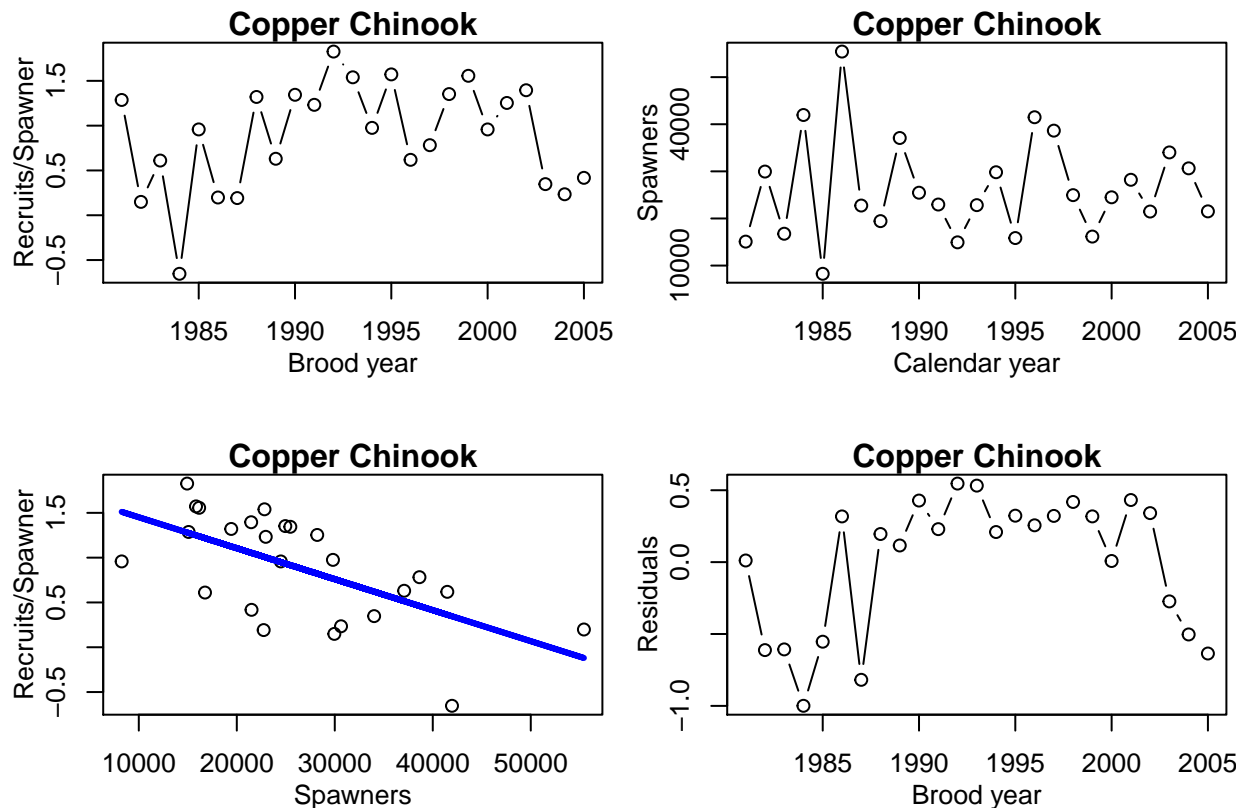
# Plot the predictor, number of spawners.
X = as.numeric(chnk$Escapement[subset]) # number of spawners
plot(1981:2005,X, xlab="Calendar year",ylab="Spawners",main="Copper Chinook",
     type="b")

# Plot the data, as log(Recruits/Spawners) versus Spawners over the period we're using,
# 1981-2008. This is the same formulation as the Ricker model assumes (below).
plot(X,Y, xlab="Spawners",ylab="Recruits/Spawner",main="Copper Chinook")
# fit linear model
lines(X, predict.lm(lm(Y~X),newdata=data.frame(X)), col="blue",lwd=3)

# Plot the residuals from the regression of log(Recruits/Spawners) versus Spawners over
# the period we're using, 1981-2008. This is the same formulation as the Ricker
# model assumes (below).

Y = log(as.numeric(chnk$RecPerSpawn[subset])) # log(R/S)
X = as.numeric(chnk$Escapement[subset]) # number of spawners
mod = lm(Y~X)
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plot(1981:2005,mod$residuals, xlab="Brood year",ylab="Residuals",main="Copper Chinook",
     type="b")
```



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 1981-2008, 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(chnk$BroodYear%in%seq(1981,2005))

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

```
# fit in initial Ricker S-R state space model
cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=1, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X
Covar = matrix(list(0),1,1)
Covar[1,1] = "Spawners"
models = list()
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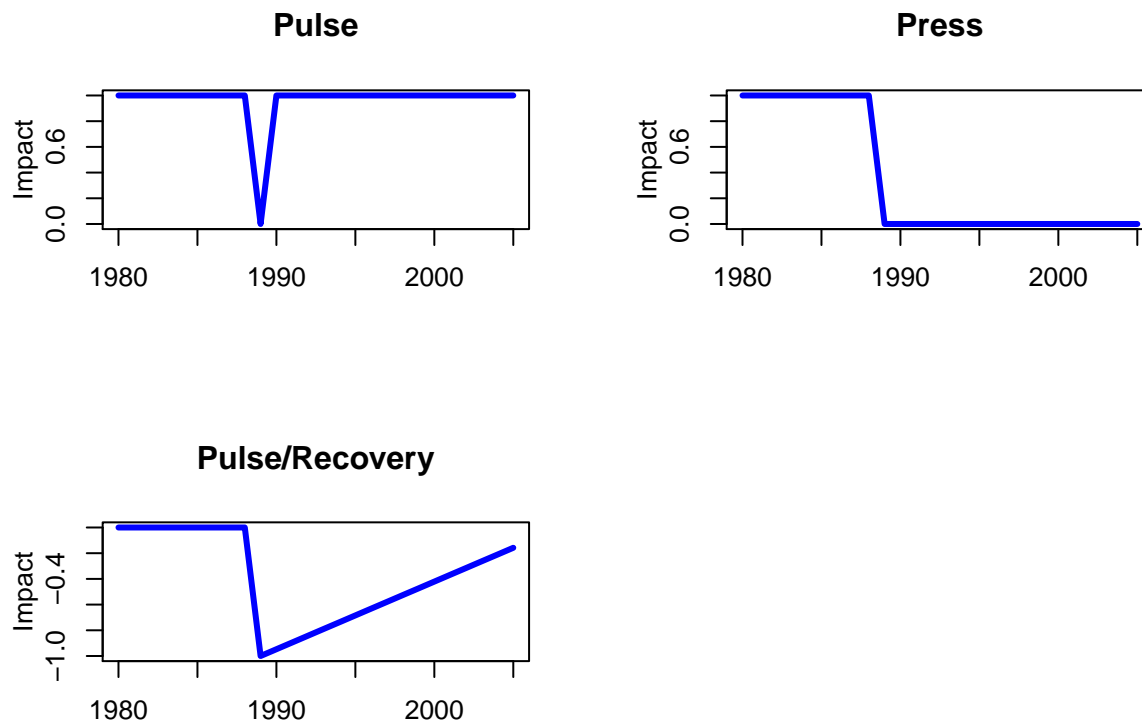
Model	AICc	Coef
Null model	50.35	NA
Density dependence only (Ricker b)	40.332	-3.404e-05

Hypothesis 1: EVOS had a negative impact on pink salmon productivity

The EVOS spill occurred in 1989. Chinook typically migrate to the ocean the year after spawning occurs (spring type in AK, overwinter for ~ 1 year), and return to spawn in spring.

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.

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

# Coefficients matrix. cMat Matrix is dimensioned
# cmat.row x cmat.col, and Covar needs to be dimensioned
# cmat.row x n.responses
evos.models = list()
```

Model	AICc	Coef
EVOS.pulse.lag0	43.287	0.20523926
EVOS.press.lag0	31.46	1.01321379
EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag0	29.643	-0.8872066
EVOS.pulse.lag2	43.118	0.28388032
EVOS.press.lag2	38.42	0.76560533
EVOS.pulseRecovery.lag2	34.345	-0.82027012

These results show that in general, adding EVOS as a pulse impact (lag.0, in 1989) with either a recovery or not improves the fit of the model and lowers AIC. But the effects for all these models are slightly positive (positive coefficients for pulse/press and negative for pulse/recovery translate to positive effects).

Hypothesis 2: Wild Chinook salmon productivity in PWS has been negatively impacted by predation and competition from juvenile pink (hatchery) or chum salmon

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

cMat = matrix(NA, nrow=2, ncol = nT)
cMat[1,] = X
Yall = rbind(Y)
# Coefficients matrix. cMat Matrix is dimensioned
# cmat.row x cmat.col, and Covar needs to be dimensioned
# cmat.row x n.responses
juvComp.models = list()
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kable(m)
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Model	AICc	Coef
juv.hatchRelPink.lag1	37.954	0
juv.hatchRelChum.lag1	40.838	1e-08
juv.wildChumRun.lag1	43.019	-4.4e-07
juv.wildPinkRun.lag1	39.623	-6e-08

These results show that in these indices of pink and chum salmon juvenile competition with juvenile wild Chinook salmon lowers AICc. These results don't make a lot of sense though, because the estimated effect of these species on juvenile Chinook is slightly positive.

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

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

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

# Coefficients matrix. cMat Matrix is dimensioned
# cmat.row x cmat.col, and Covar needs to be dimensioned
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# cmat.row x n.responses
adComp.models = list()
```

Model	AICc	Coef
ad.hatchRelPink.lag1	34.676	0
ad.hatchRelChum.lag1	36.107	1e-08
ad.wildChumRun.lag2	42.421	-1.7e-07
ad.wildPinkRun.lag1	39.51	-2e-08
ad.hatchPinkRun.lag1	42.034	1e-08
ad.totalPinkRun.lag1	43.483	0

Again, these results show that in these indices of pink and chum salmon adult predation with juvenile Chinook salmon improves the fit of the model (lowering AICc) but these estimated effects of pink and chum are slightly positive.

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

```
library(MARSS)
covar.names = c("SST.chnk.lag0", "SST.chnk.lag1", "Upwelling.winter.lag1",
"Upwelling.winter.lag2", "Upwelling.summer.lag1", "Upwelling.summer.lag2")
# fit in initial Ricker S-R state space model

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

# Coefficients matrix. cMat Matrix is dimensioned
# cmat.row x cmat.col, and Covar needs to be dimensioned
# cmat.row x n.responses
enviro.models = list()
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kable(m)
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Model	AICc	Coef
SST.chnk.lag0	41.878	-0.10300635
SST.chnk.lag1	43.553	0.00622354
Upwelling.winter.lag1	41.112	0.00599758
Upwelling.winter.lag2	43.068	-0.00538865
Upwelling.summer.lag1	38.53	0.05677582
Upwelling.summer.lag2	42.958	0.01872547

These results show that in these indices of SST and Upwelling on pink salmon increases AICc, worsening the fit of the model.