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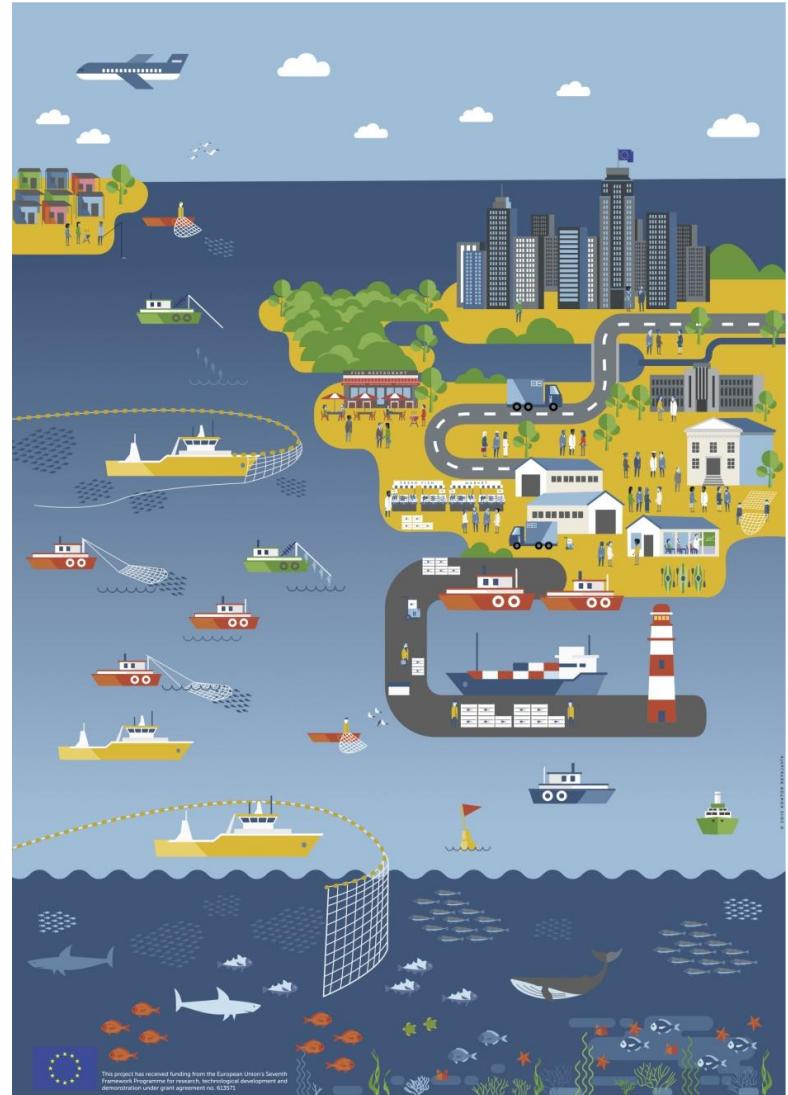
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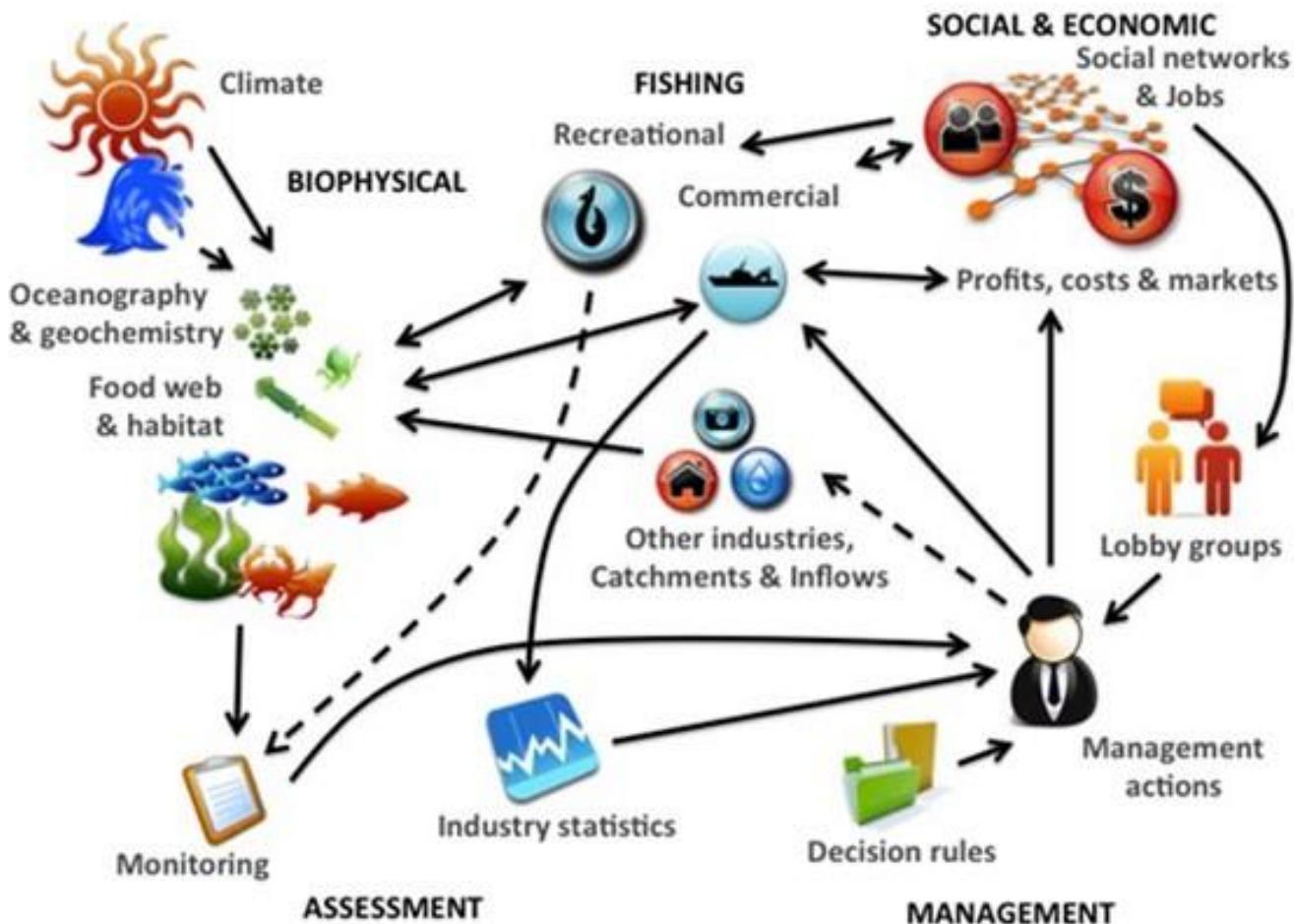
Managing discards in fisheries
9-13 April 2018
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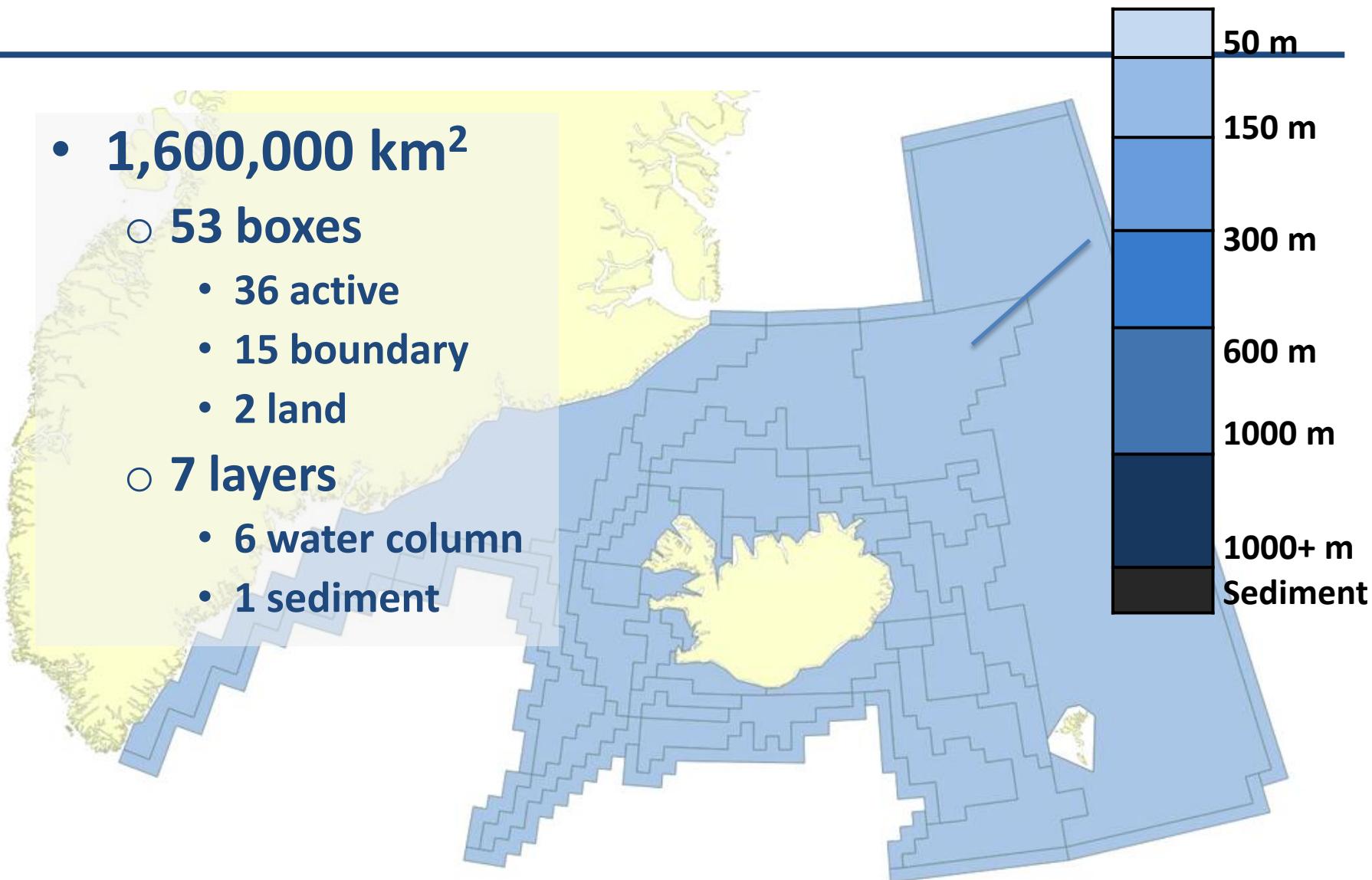
- Simulates the entire ecosystem
- Oceanographic model
- Biology model
- Fisheries model
- Sampling and assessment model
- Management model
- Socio-economic model



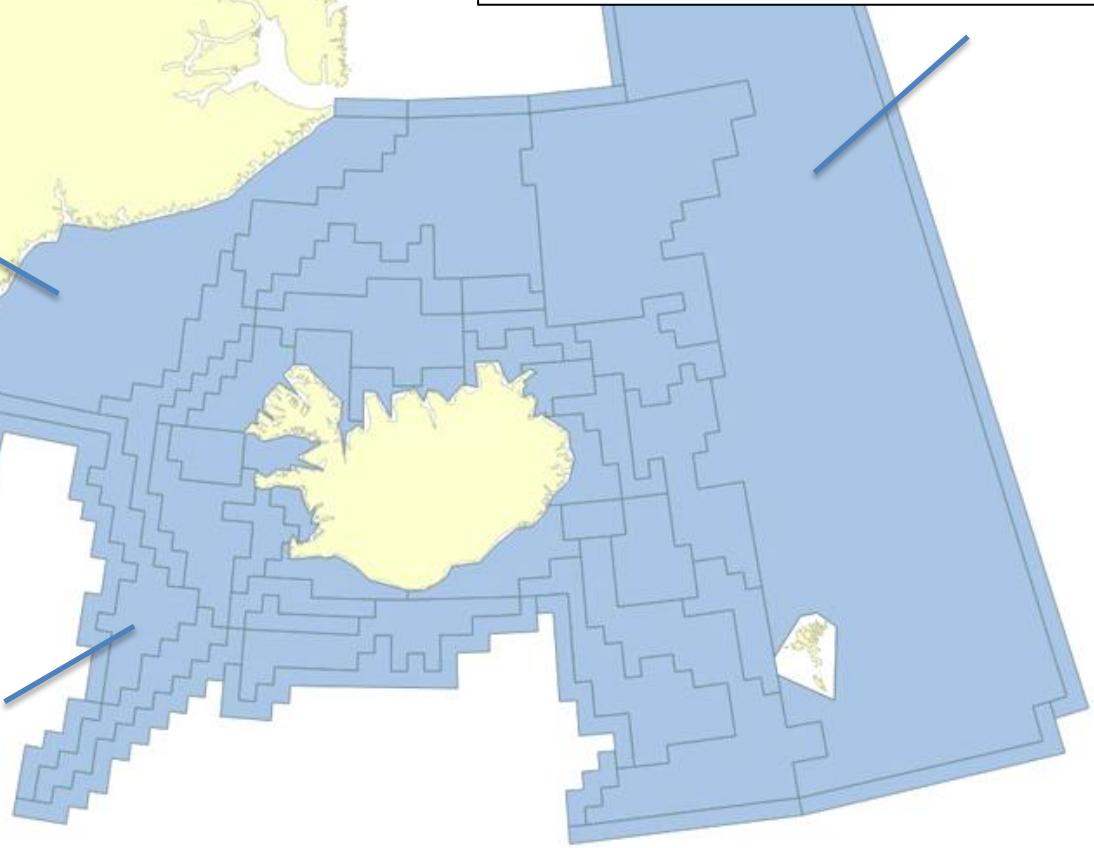
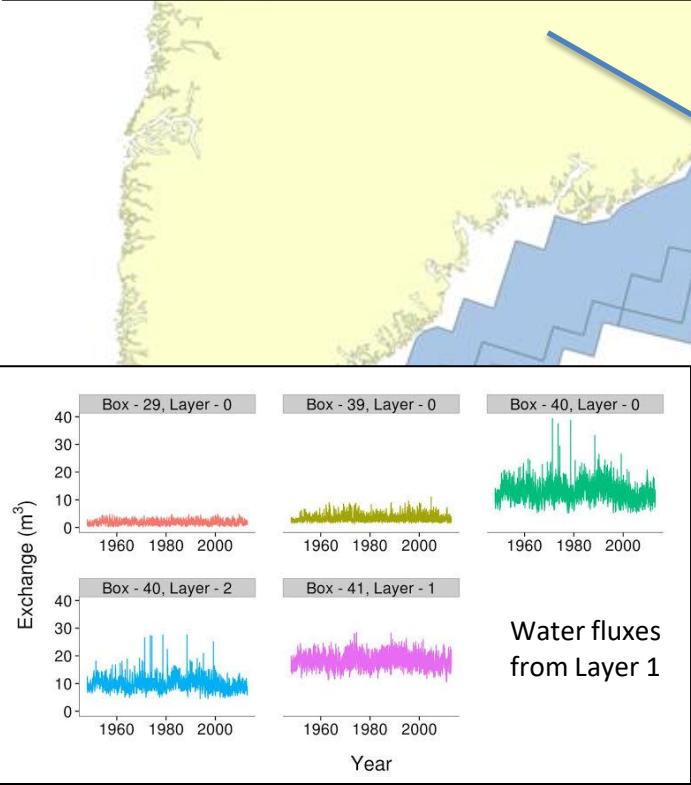
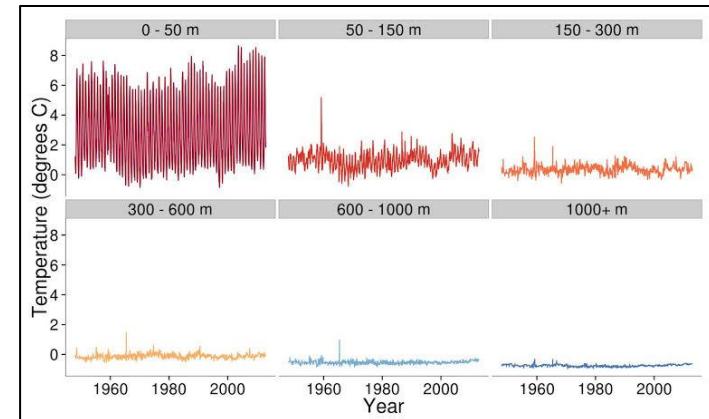
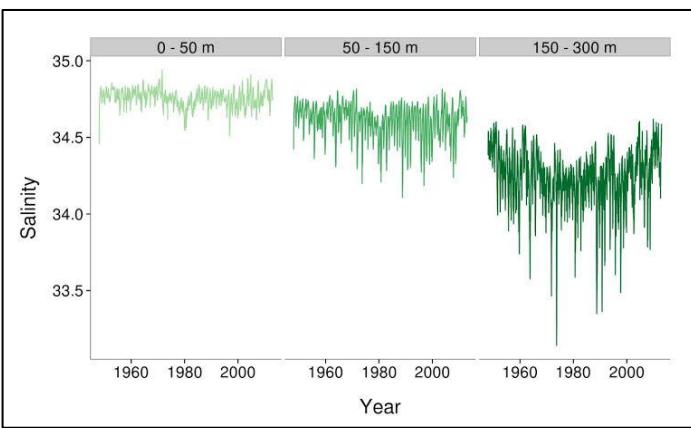
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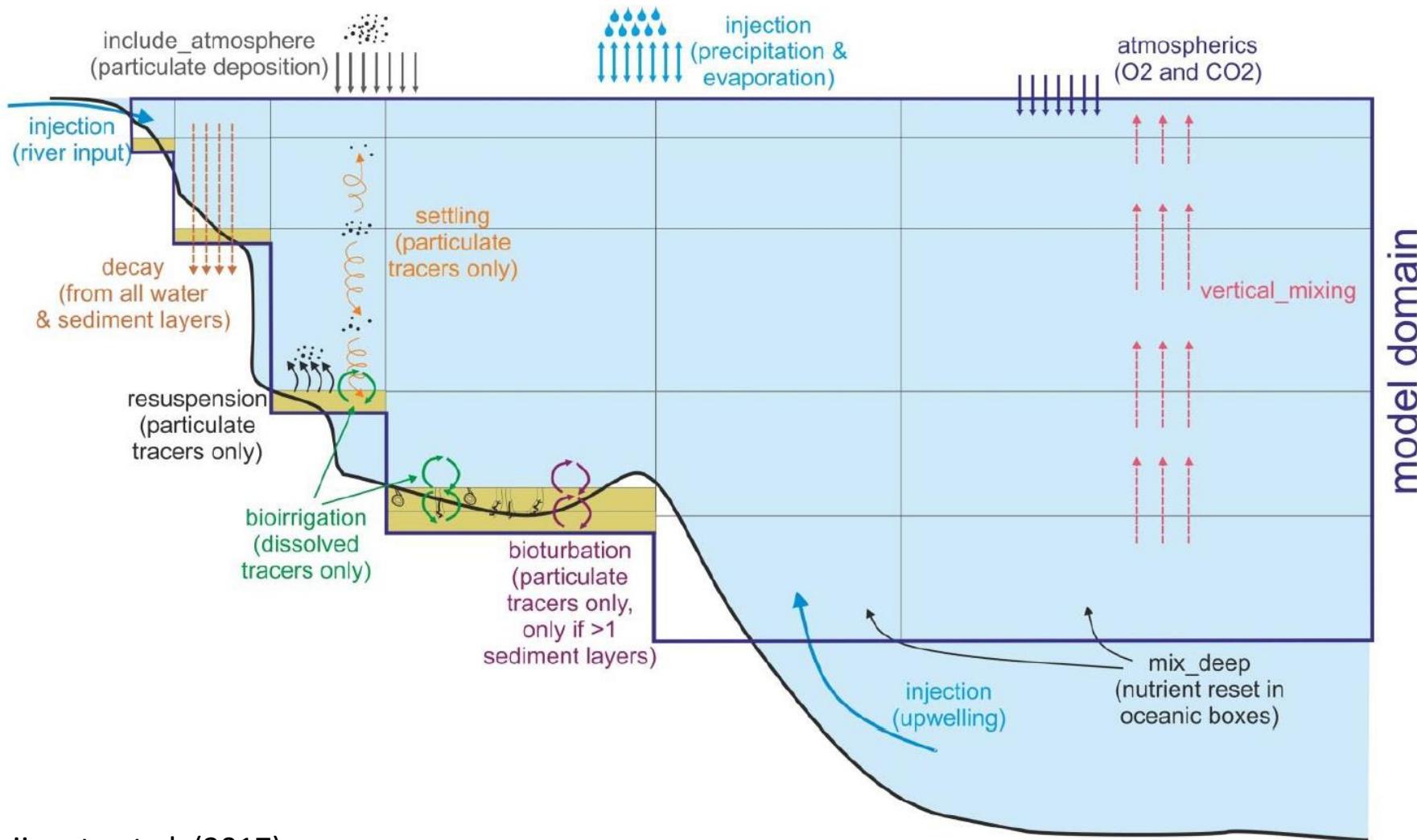
The Icelandic Atlantis model



The oceanography model



The physics model



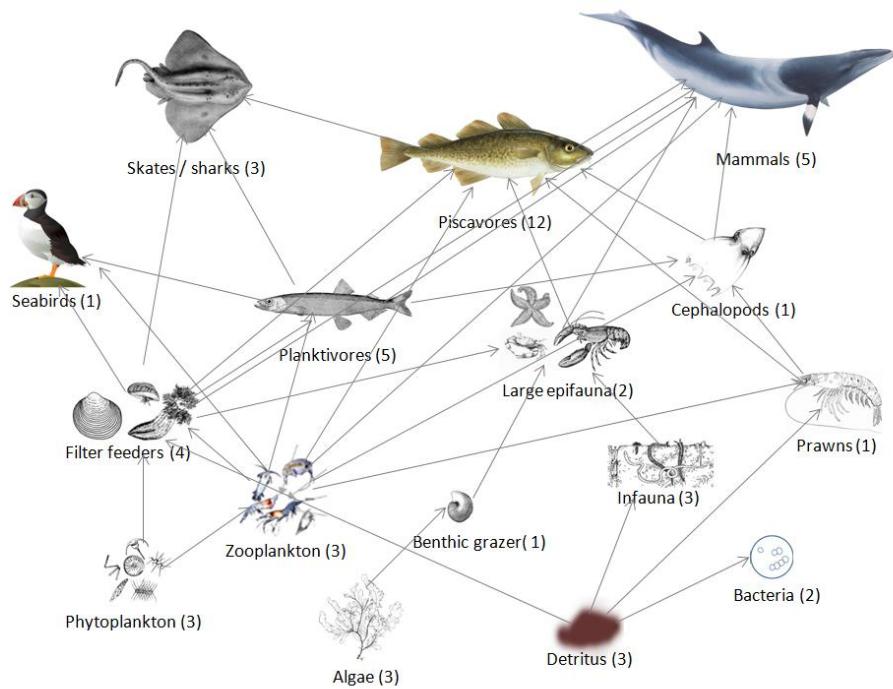
The biology model

- Functional groups
- Consumption
- Predation
- Growth
- Reproduction
- Mortality
- Waste production
- Movement
- Migration

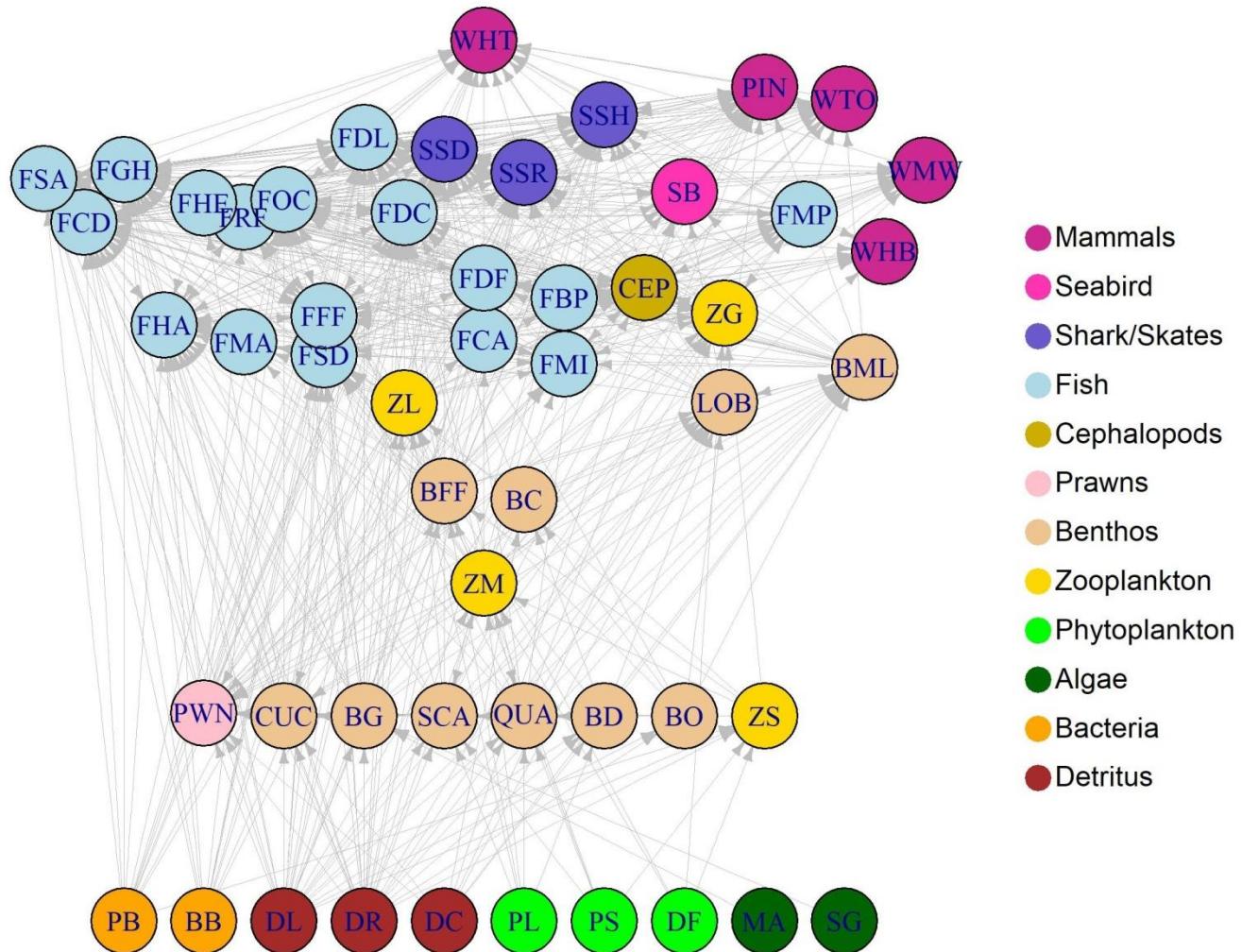


The functional groups

- 52 functional group
 - 25 vertebrates
 - 16 fish
 - 3 shark/skates
 - 5 mammal
 - 1 seabird
 - 16 invertebrate groups
 - 6 primary producers
 - 2 bacteria
 - 3 detritus



Food web from the Atlantis model



The biology model

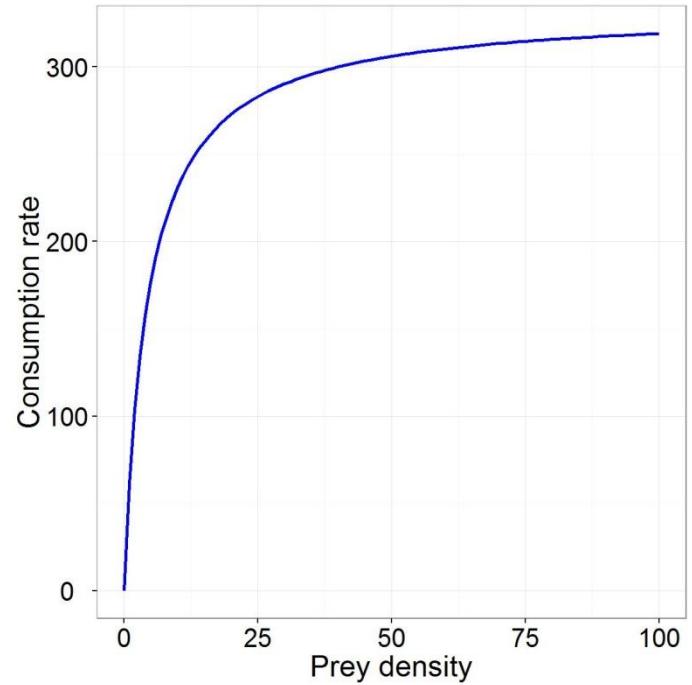
- **Vertebrates**
 - **10 age classes**
 - Numbers per age
within ageclass
 - **Weight in mg N per individual**
 - Reserved weight
 - Structural weight
- **Invertebrates**
 - **2 ageclasses**
 - **Biomass pools mg N m⁻³**

Consumption

- Holling type II
- Gape limitation
- Spatial overlap
- Prey availability



$$Q_{ij} = \frac{a_{ij} \cdot \text{Prey}_i \cdot C_j}{1 + \frac{C_j}{\mu_j} \sum_k \text{Prey}_k \cdot \epsilon_{ij} \cdot a_{ij}}$$



Growth - Vertebrates

- Division of growth into reserved and structural weight for invertebrates

$$G_{RN} = (A - Rs) \cdot (1 - \lambda)$$

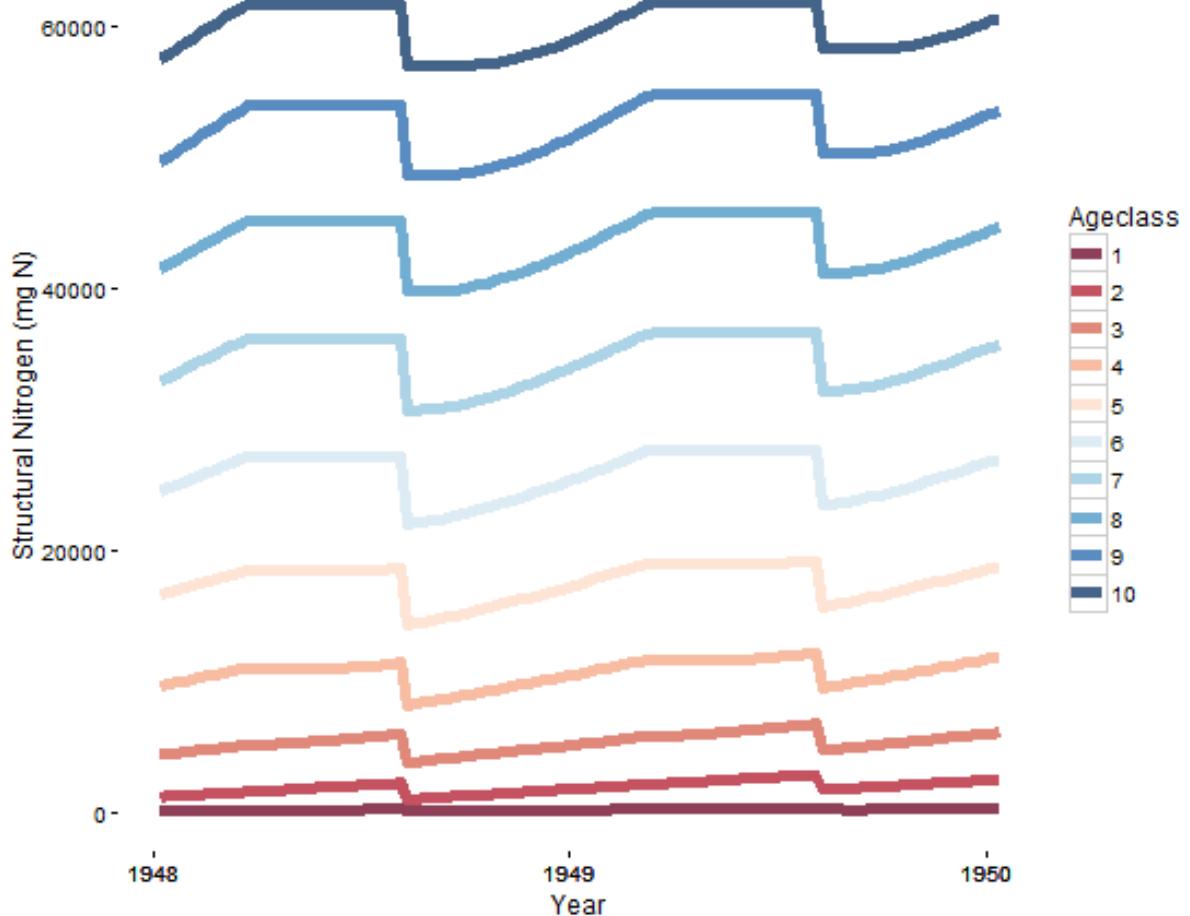
$$G_{SN} = (A - Rs) \cdot \lambda$$

- A = Consumed * assimilation
- Rs = Respiration
- λ = division between RN and SN

Growth - Vertebrates

$$G_{RN} = (A - R_s) \cdot (1 - \lambda)$$

$$G_{SN} = (A - R_s) \cdot \lambda$$



Growth – Primary producers

- Limited by:

- Nutrients
- Light
- Space
- Eddies (optional)
- pH (optional)

$$G_{pp} = \mu_{max} \cdot B_{PP} \cdot \delta_{light} \cdot \delta_{nutrient} \cdot \delta_{space} \cdot \delta_{eddy} \cdot pHscalar$$

mum = maximum growth rate

B = biomass

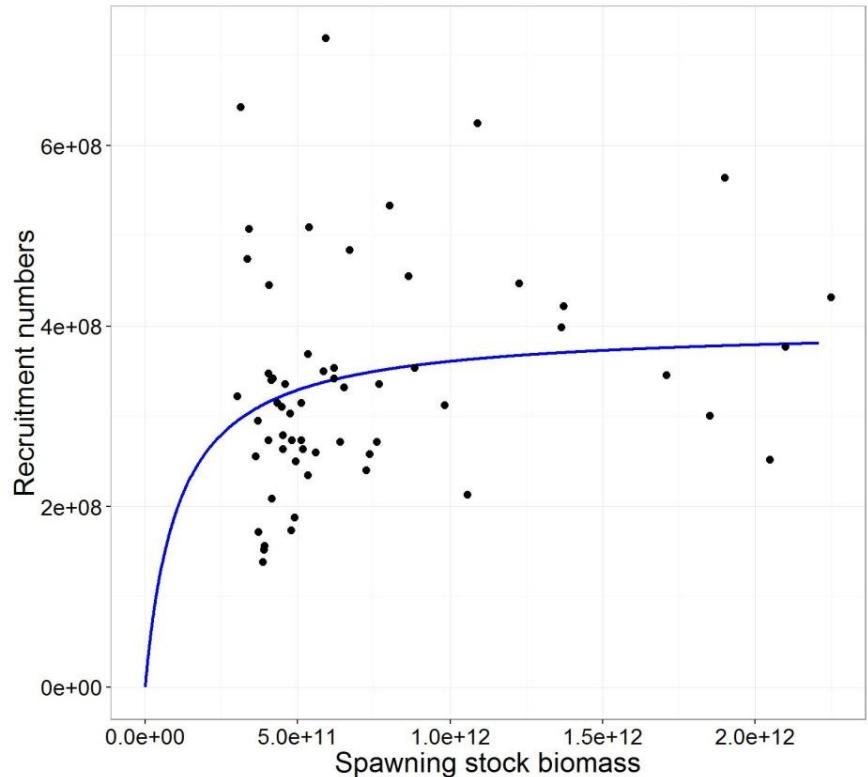
Growth affecting parameters

- Consumption
 - Temperature
 - Salinity
- Assimilation
 - Time-series of scales
 - Temperature
 - Salinity
 - pH
- Respiration
 - Threshold

Reproduction

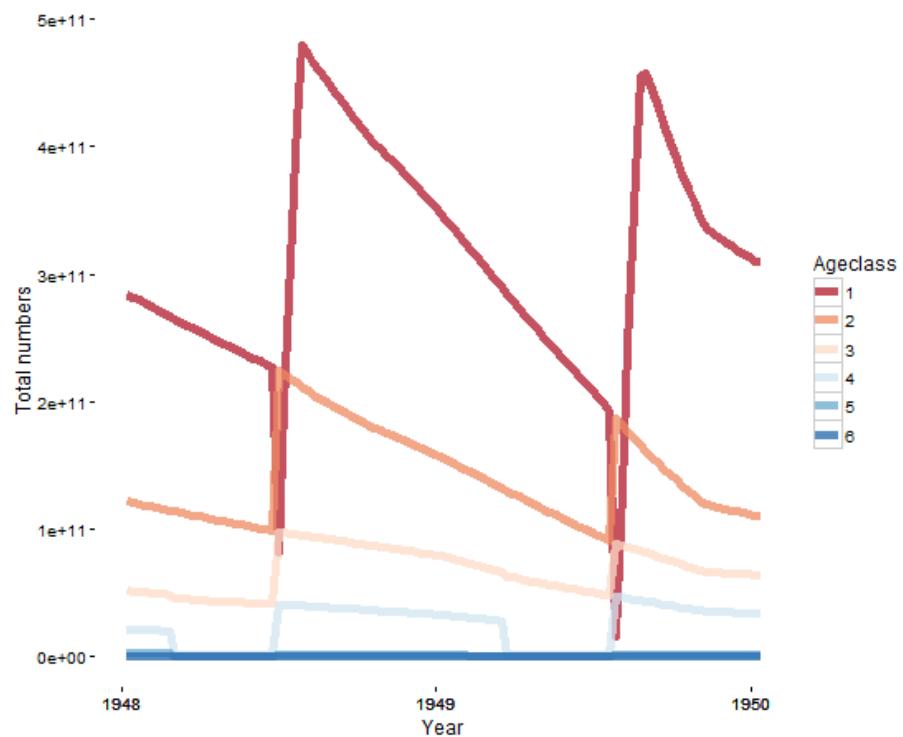
- Fixed number per adult
- Beverton – Holt

$$N_{\text{Rec}} = \frac{SSB \cdot \alpha}{\beta + SSB}$$

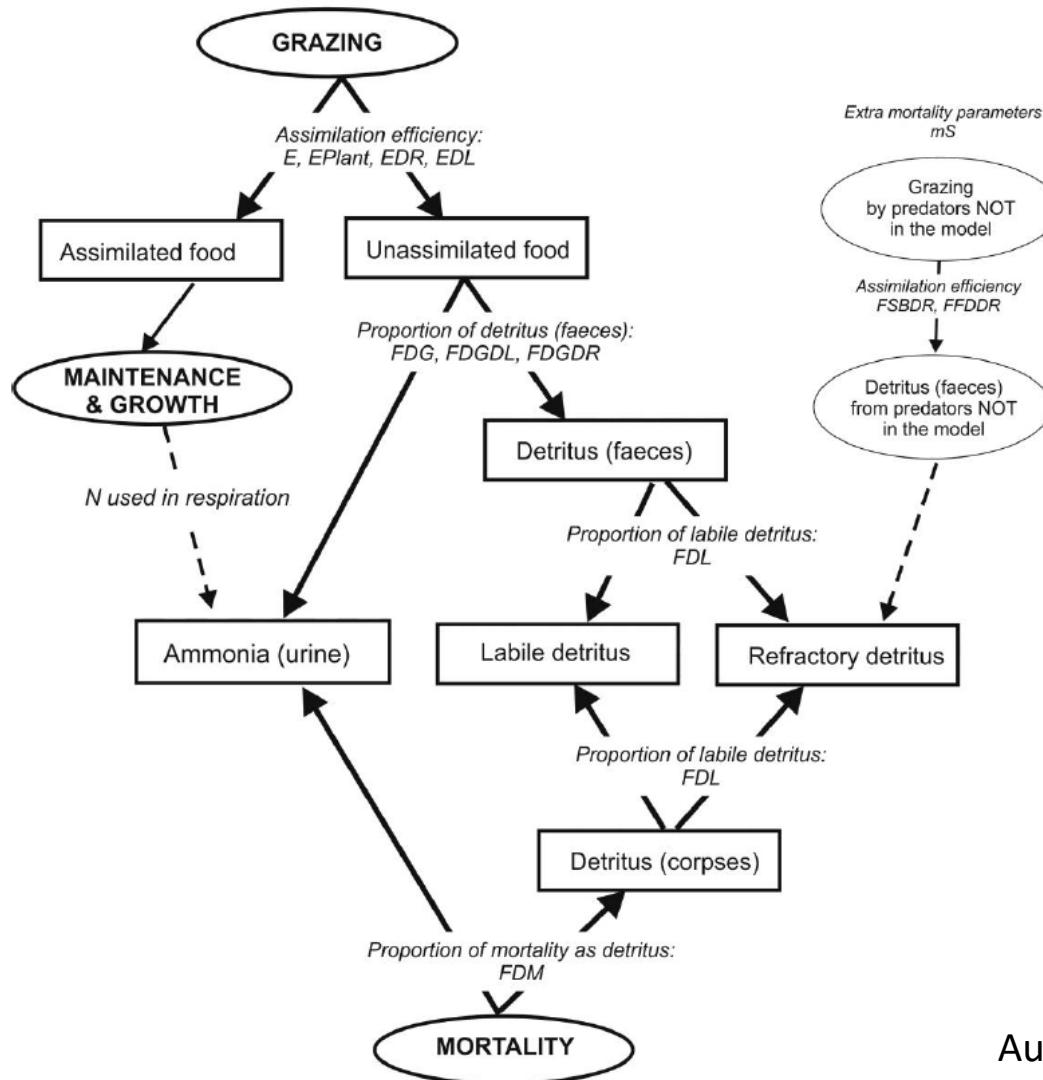


Mortality

- Linear mortality
- Quadratic mortality
- Lysis
- Starvation mortality
- Affected by:
 - Temperature
 - Salinity
 - pH
 - Oxygen

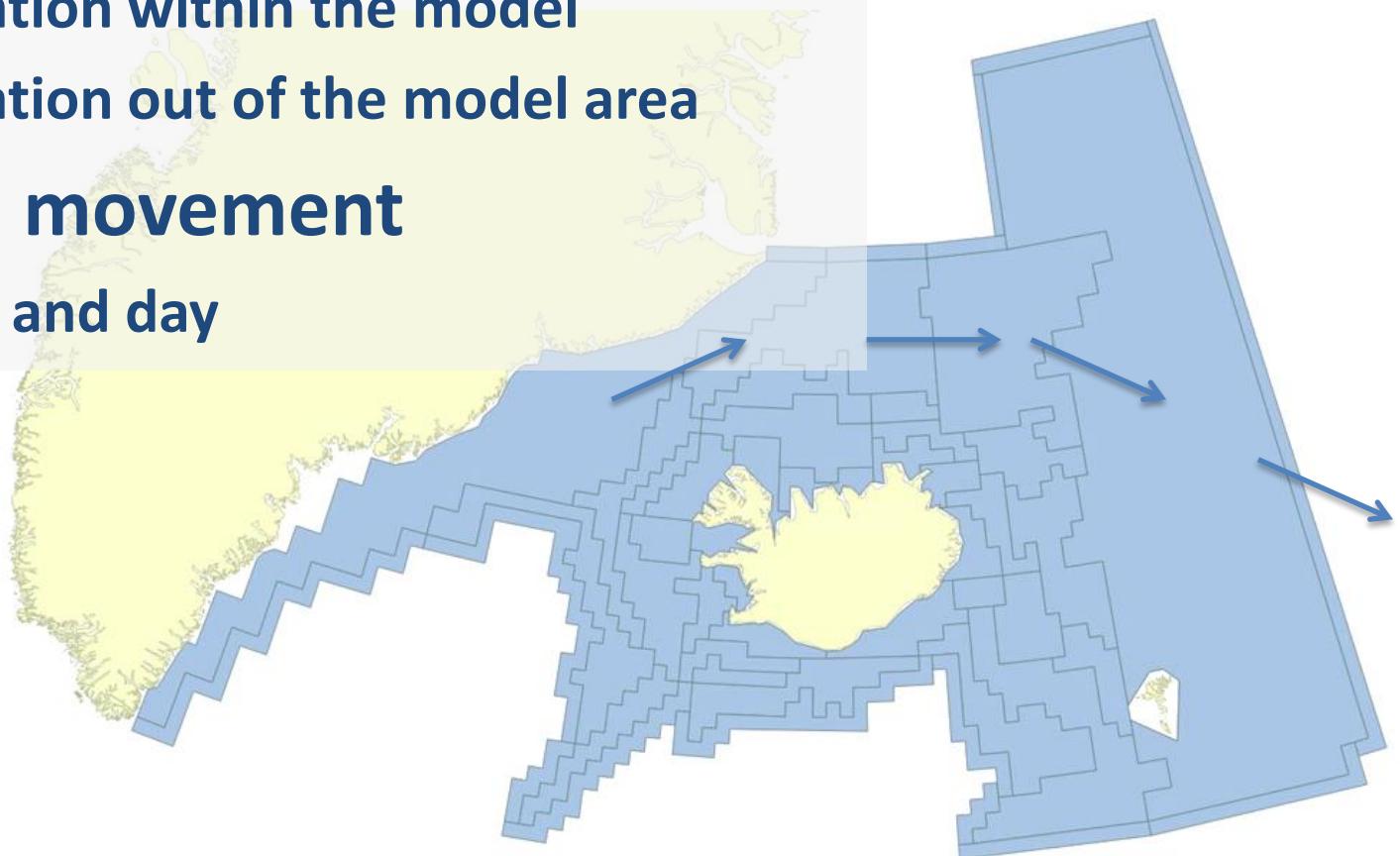


Waste

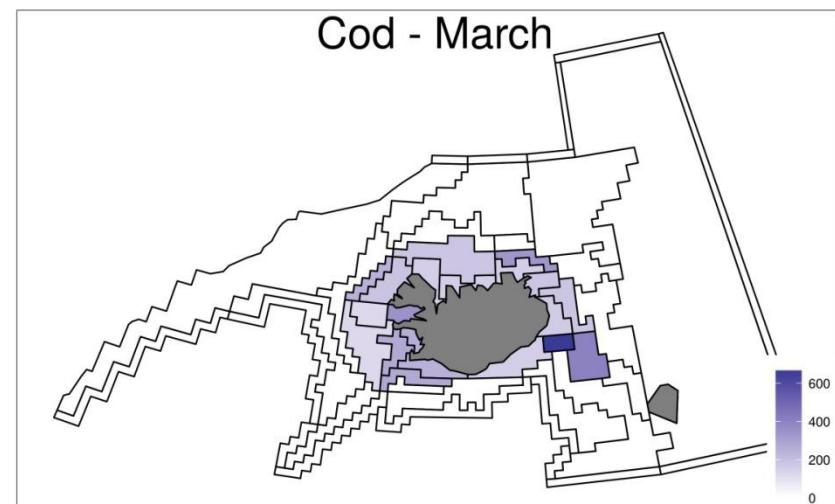
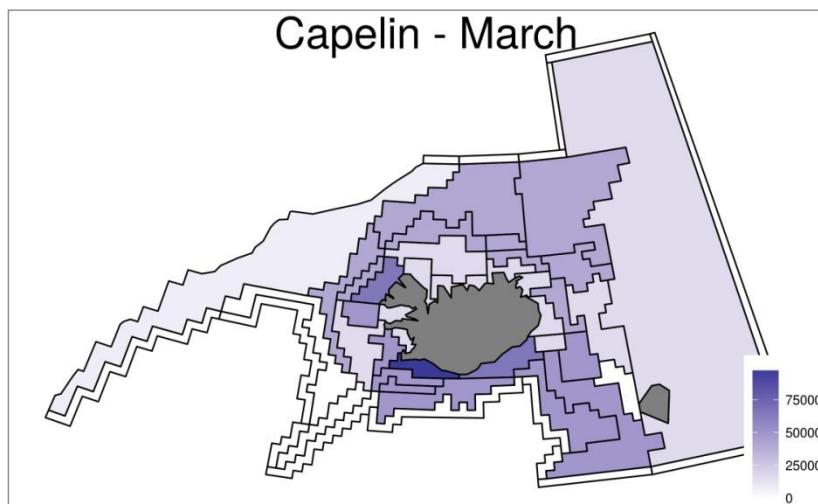
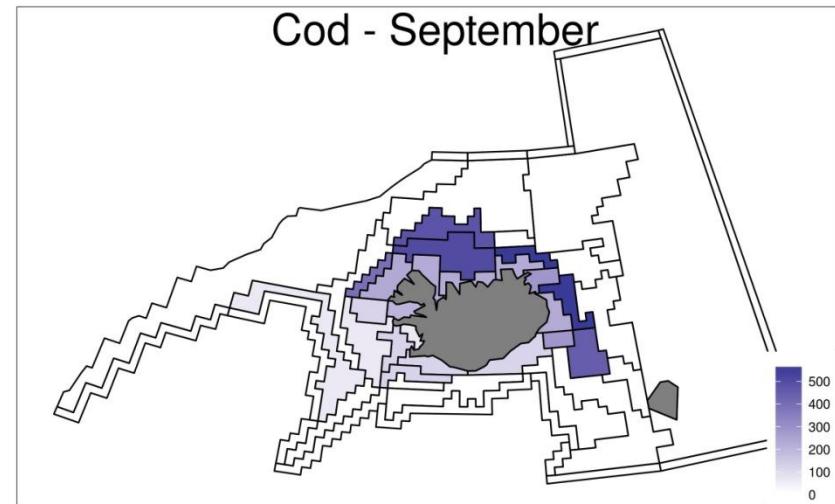
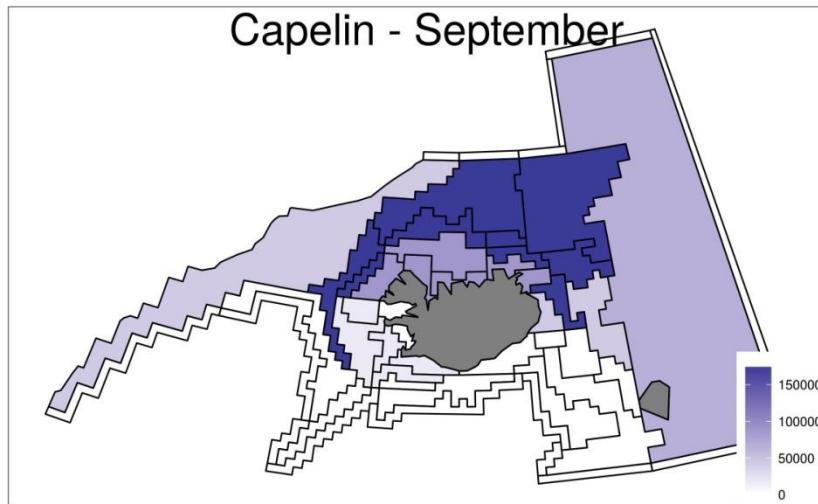


Migration and movement

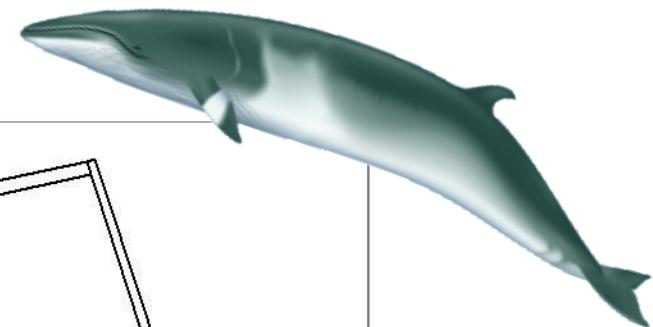
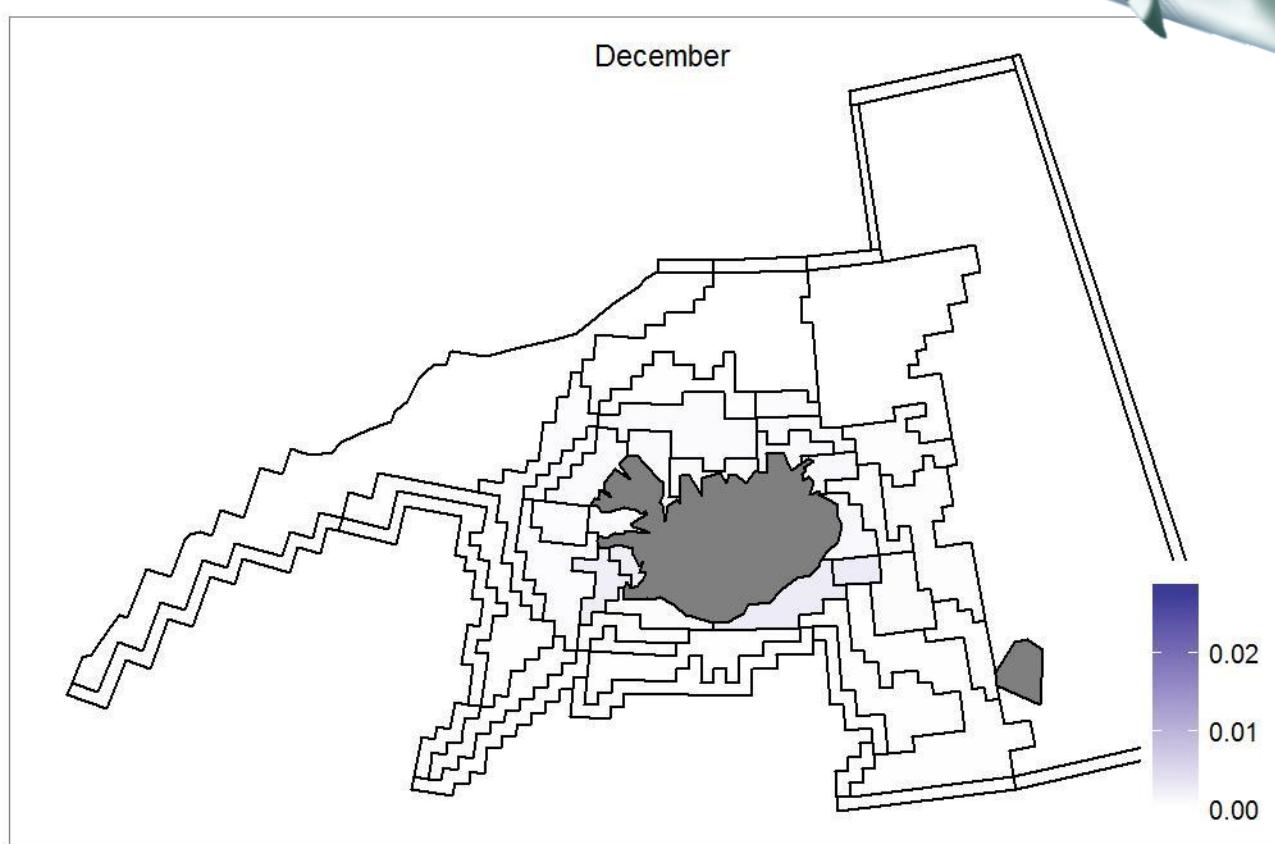
- **Horizontal movement**
 - Migration within the model
 - Migration out of the model area
- **Vertical movement**
 - Night and day



Spatial distribution



Migration of Minke Whale



The fisheries model

- **Fisheries**
 - **Multiple fleets**
 - **Gear**
 - **Target**
 - **Selectivity**



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Photo: Magnús Jónsson



Photo: Vinnslustöðin

Fishing fleets

- Longline
- Gillnet
- Handline
- Purse seine
- Danish seine
- Midwater trawl
- Bottom trawl
- Shrimp trawl
- Lobster traps
- Dredge
- Whaling



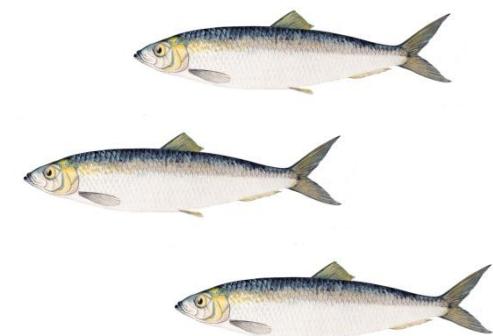
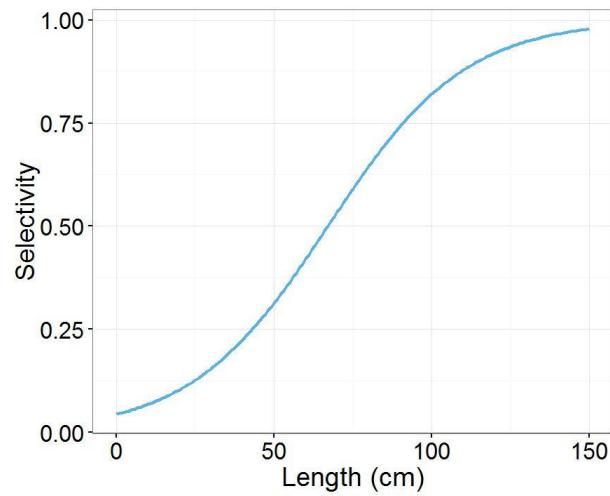
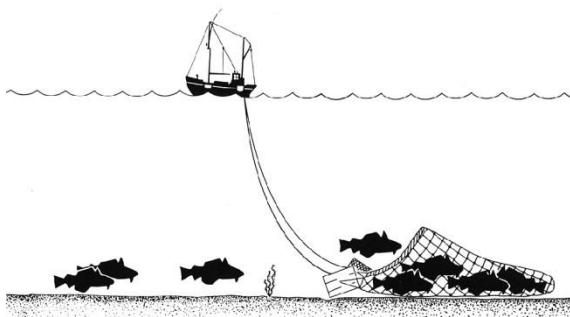
Fishing

Fishing gear

Selectivity

Harvest rate

Catch biomass



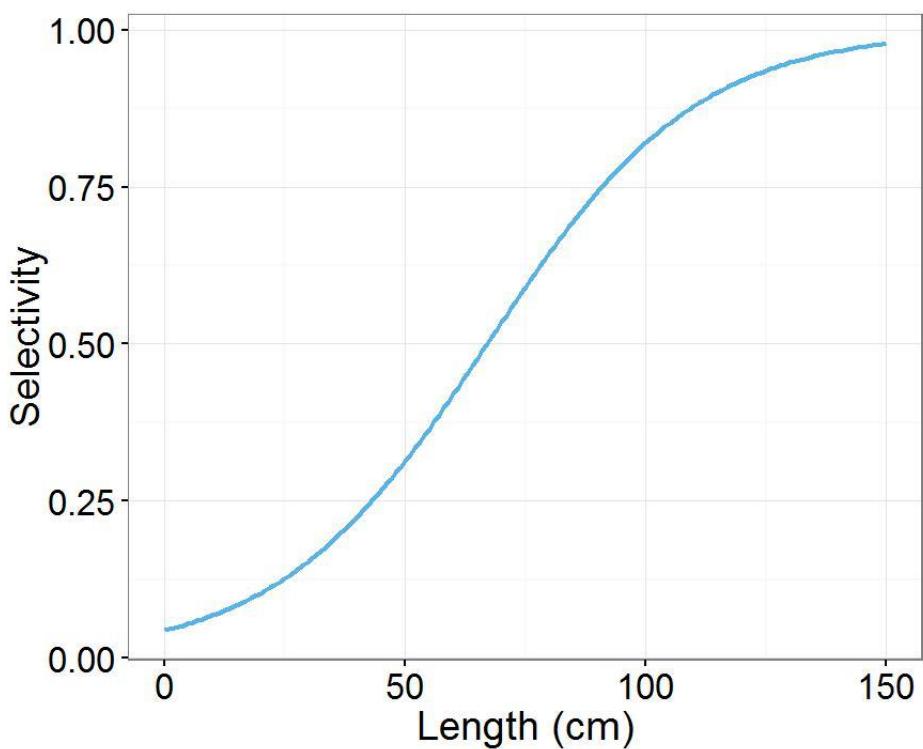
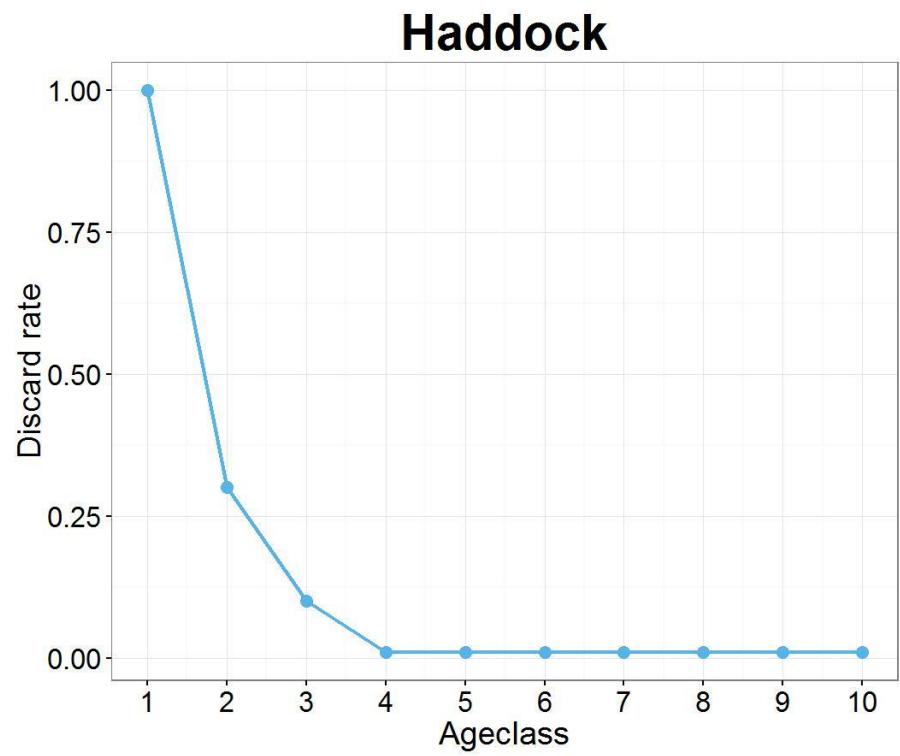
Discards

- Constant
- Constant per age class
- Size based
- Discard survival
- Discarded waste



Discards

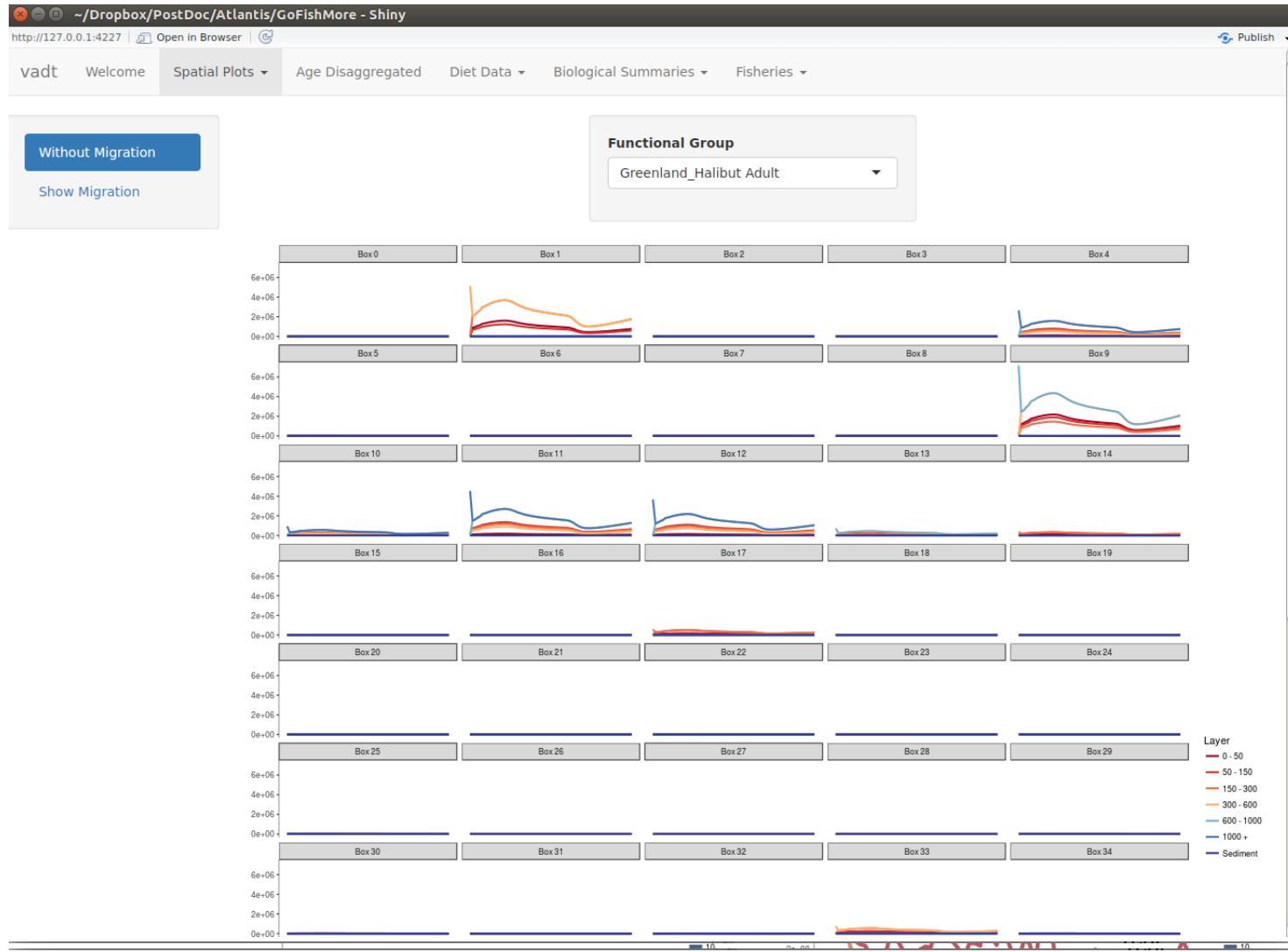
- Constant per age-class



Building the model

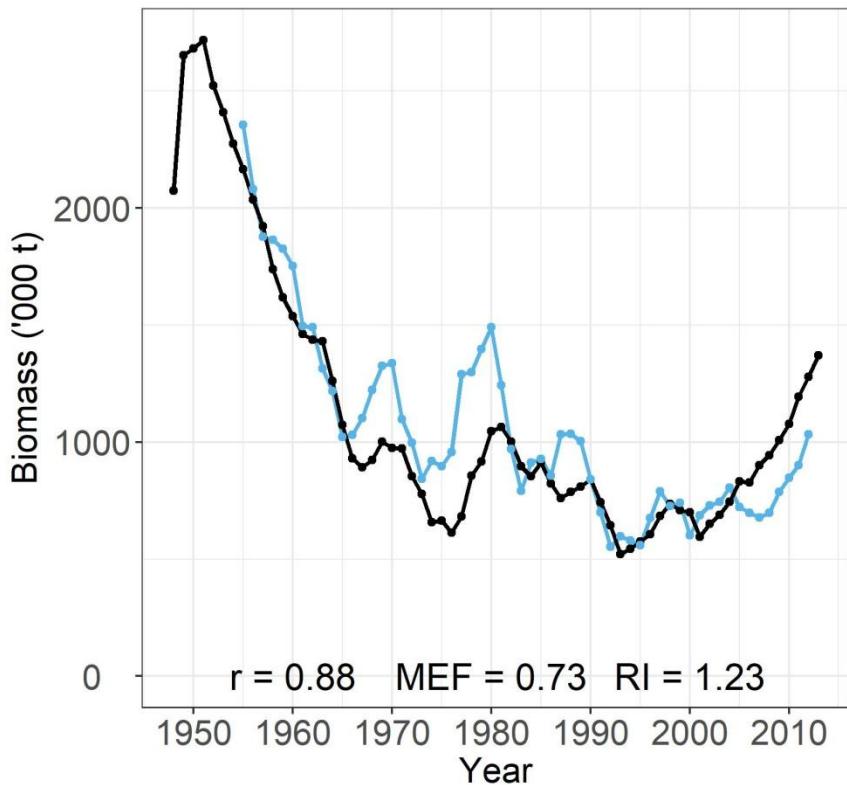
- **Survey data from MRI used**
 - Only available for the commercial species
 - Biomass estimates from single stock assessments
 - Stomach content data
- **Logbooks**
 - Information about each tow
- **Parameters estimated outside of the model**
 - Recruitment curve
 - Growth curve
 - Length-weight relationship
 - Selectivity
- **A lot of tuning and debugging (2-4+ years)!**

Visualizing the output with Shiny app in R

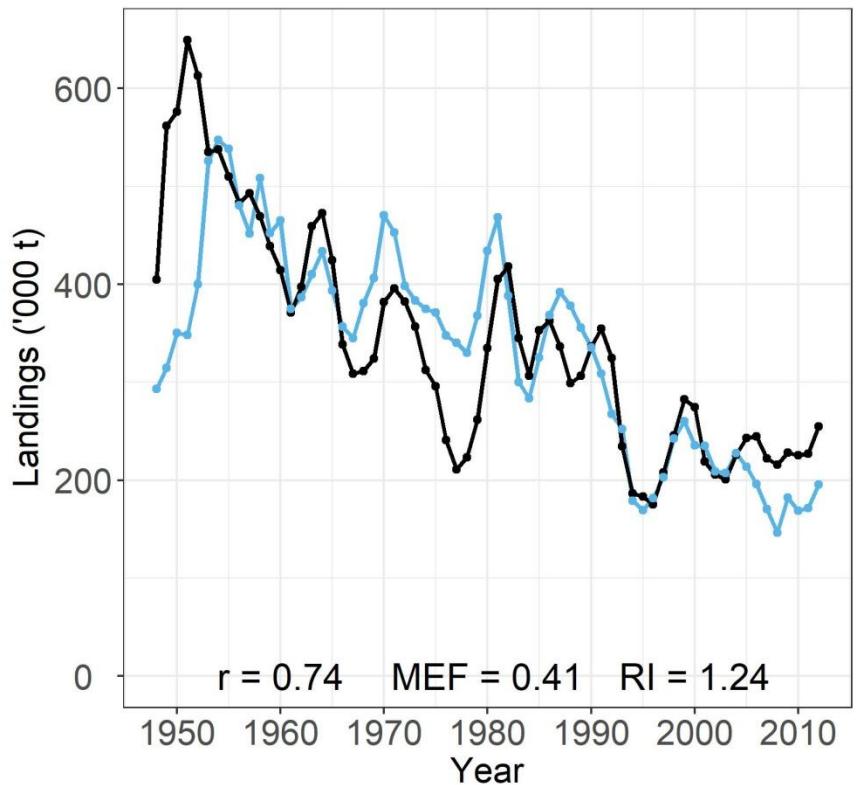


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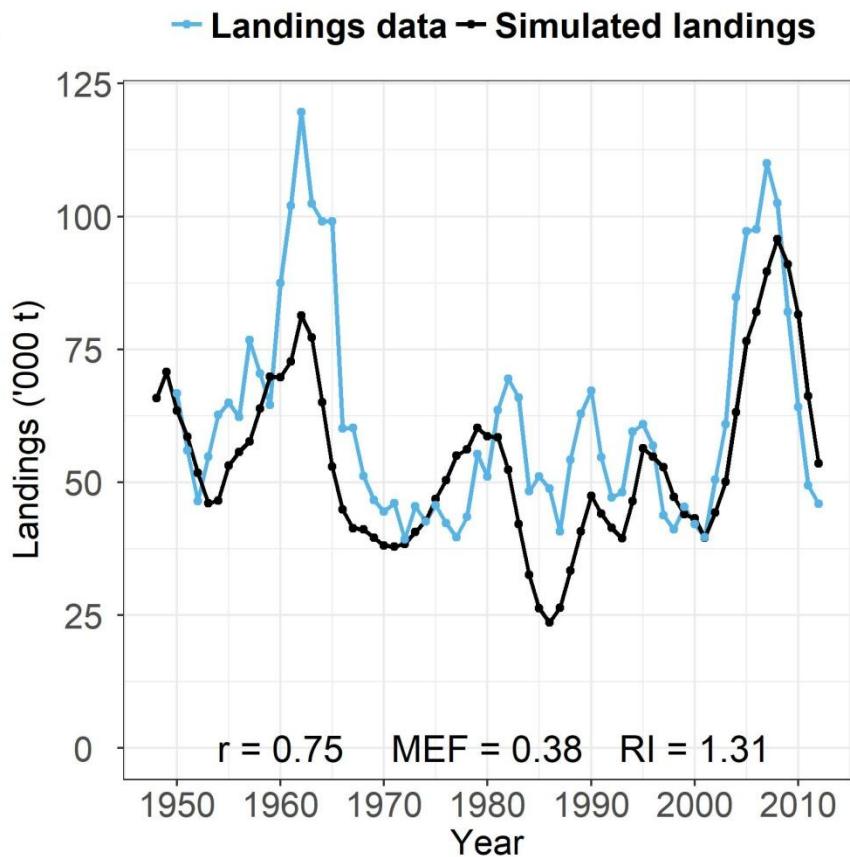
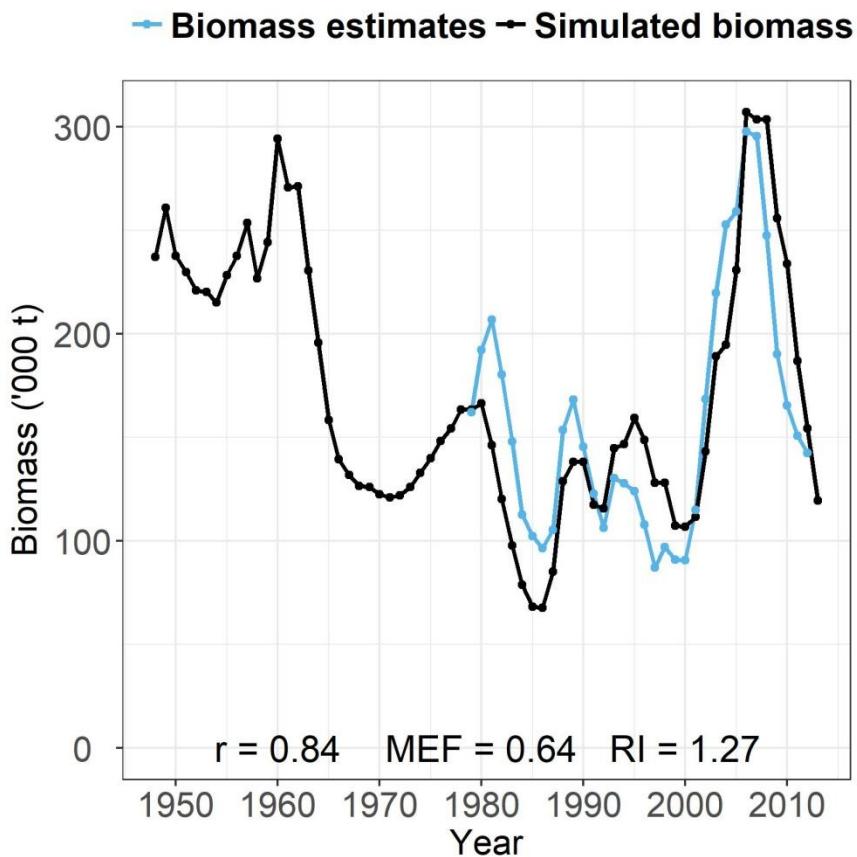
— Biomass estimates — Simulated biomass



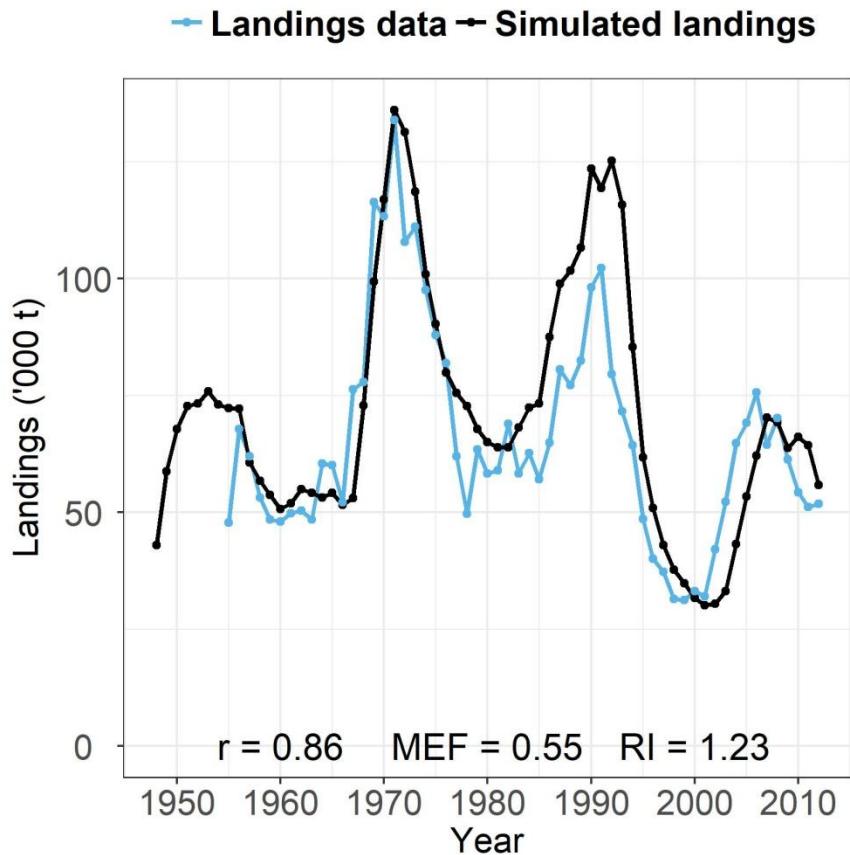
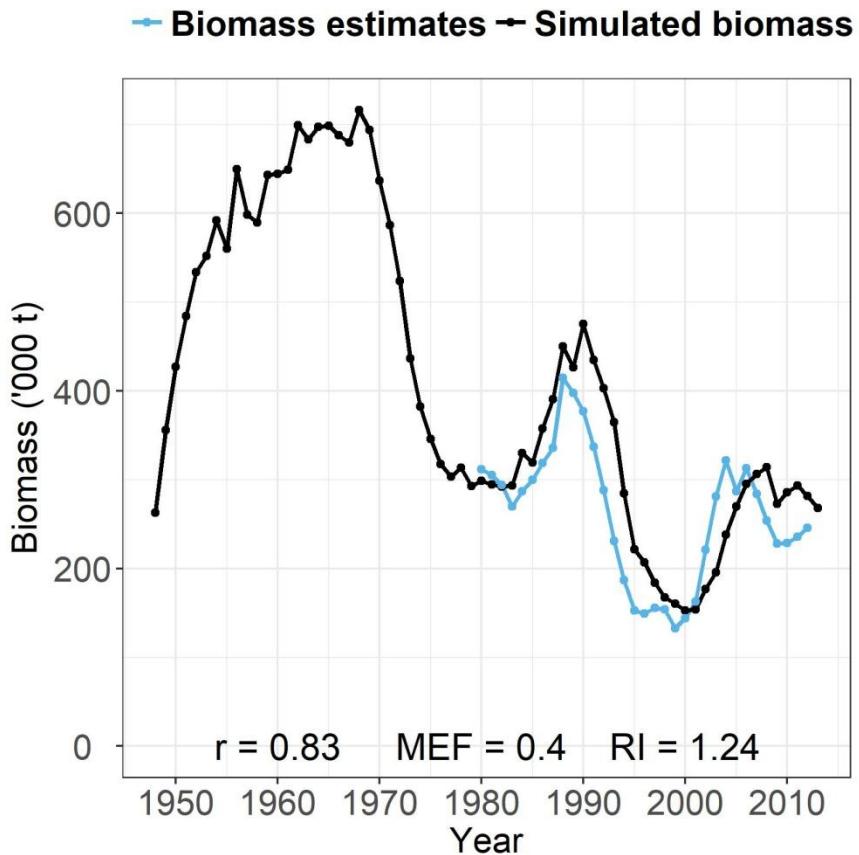
— Landings data — Simulated landings



Haddock

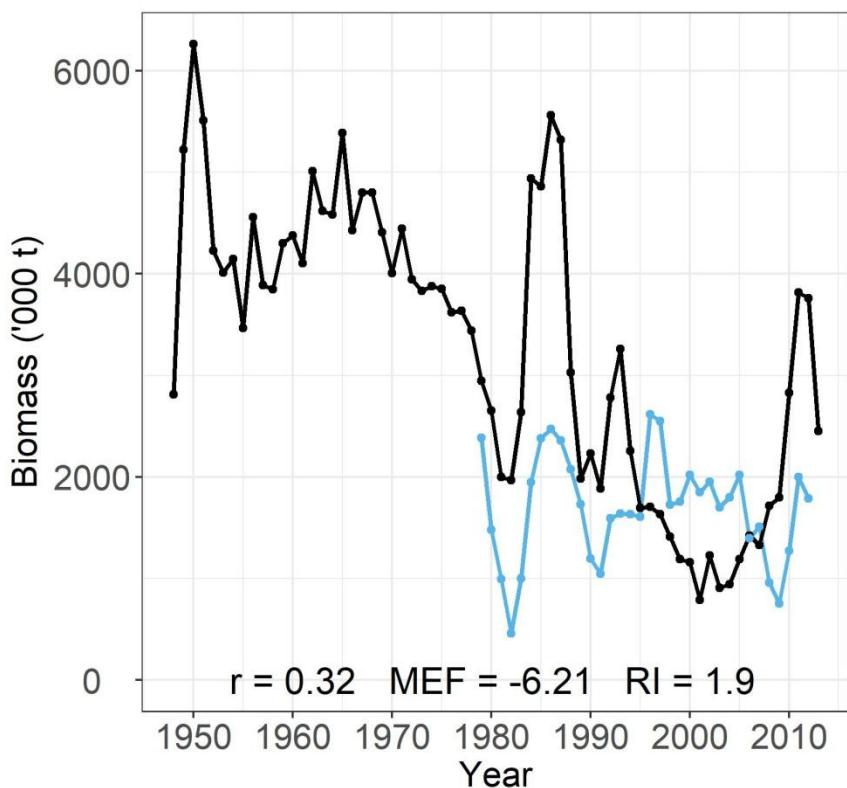


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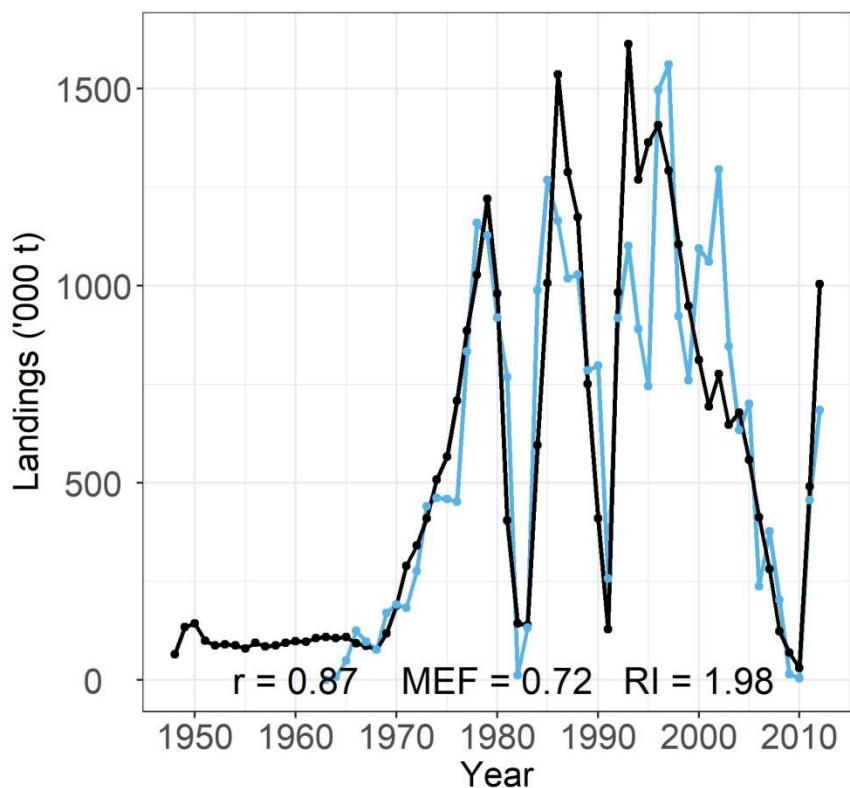


Capelin

— Biomass estimates ↔ Simulated biomass

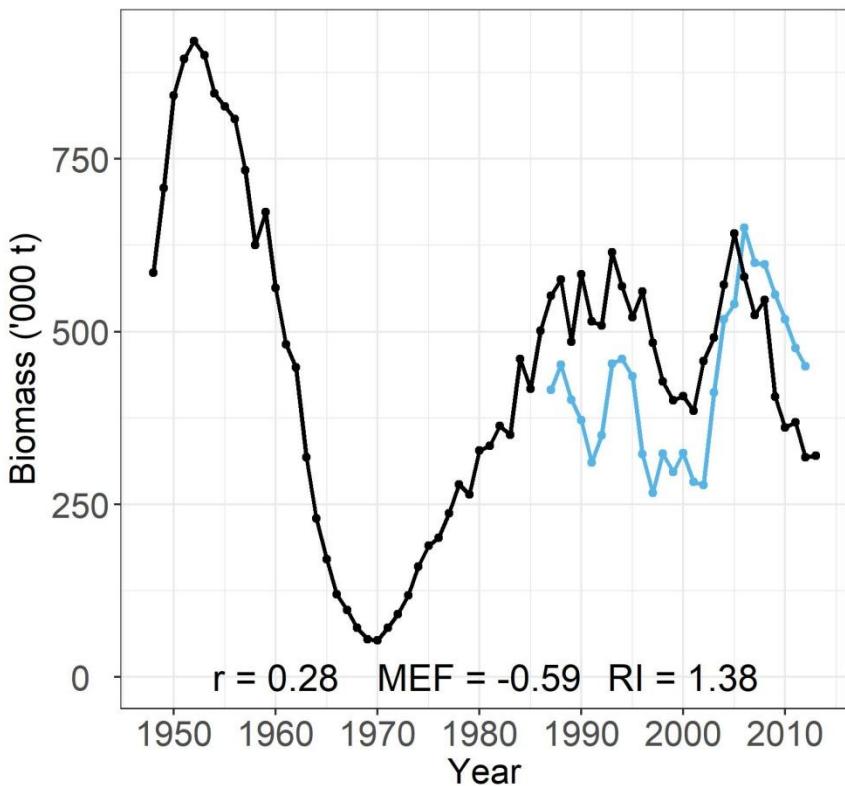


— Landings data ↔ Simulated landings

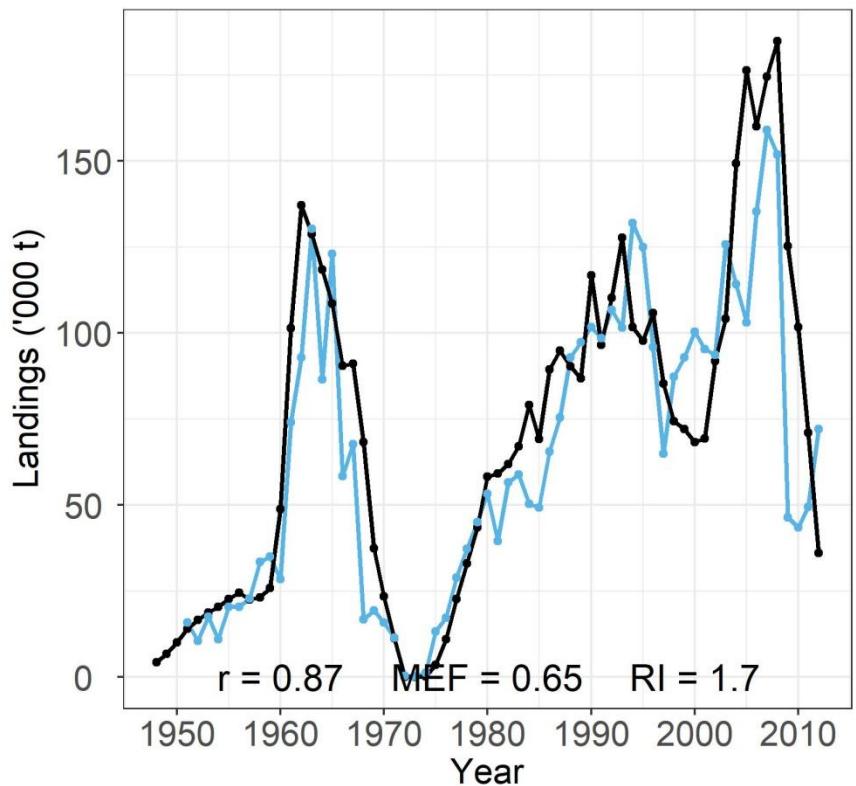


Herring

— Biomass estimates — Simulated biomass



— Landings data — Simulated landings



Use of Atlantis

- **Operating model**
- **Scenarios**
 - Fishing pressure
 - Effect of discards
- **Management strategy evaluation**



Some Atlantis Papers

- Kaplan, I. C., Holland, D. S., & Fulton, E. A., 2014. Finding the accelerator and brake in an individual quota fishery: linking ecology, economics, and fleet dynamics of US West Coast trawl fisheries. *ICES Journal of Marine Science* 71(2), 308-319.
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More info

- **Atlantis User's Guide**

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/1yu72jkzgztfovt/AACKohScfjmsalbwEe7U1BCRa?dl=0>

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- **Atlantis Google Group**

<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/atlantis-ecosystem-model>

The official Atlantis Website

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