Fitting Integrated Population Models to Lower Columbia River Chum Salmon Monitoring Data

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1 Overview

Background on IPMs, outline of **salmonIPM**... [eqns]

2 Setup and data

Load the packages we'll need...

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options(device = ifelse(.Platform$OS.type == "windows", "windows", "quartz"))
options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores(logical = FALSE) - 1)

library(salmonIPM)
library(rstan)
library(shinystan)
library(matrixStats)
library(tibble)
library(tibble)
library(tidyr)
library(reshape2)
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library(yarrr)
library(corrplot)
library(magicaxis)
library(zoo)
library(here)
if(file.exists(here("analysis", "results", "LCRchumIPM.RData")))
  load(here("analysis", "results", "LCRchumIPM.RData"))
Read in and manipulate the data...
# Mapping of location to population
location_pop <- read.csv(here("data","Location.Reach_Population.csv"),</pre>
                         header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors = TRUE) %>%
 rename(strata = Strata, location = Location.Reach, pop1 = Population1, pop2 = Population2)
# Mapping of disposition to hatchery vs. wild (i.e., broodstock vs. natural spawner)
disposition_HW <- read.csv(here("data", "Disposition_HW.csv"),</pre>
                           header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors = TRUE) %>%
  rename(disposition = Disposition) %>% arrange(HW)
# Start dates of hatcheries associated with populations
hatcheries <- read.csv(here("data", "Hatchery_Programs.csv"), header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors =
# Spawner abundance data
# Assumptions:
# (1) NAs in hatchery dispositions (incl. Duncan Channel) are really zeros
# (2) NAs in Duncan Creek from 2004-present are really zeros
# (3) All other NAs are real missing observations
# (4) When calculating the observation error of log(S_obs), tau_S_obs, assume
      Abund. Mean and Abund. SD are the mean and SD of a lognormal posterior distribution
      of spawner abundance based on the sample
spawner_data <- read.csv(here("data", "Data_ChumSpawnerAbundance_2019-12-12.csv"),</pre>
                         header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors = TRUE) %>%
  rename(year = Return.Yr., strata = Strata, location = Location.Reach,
         disposition = Disposition, method = Method, S_obs = Abund.Mean, SD = Abund.SD) %>%
 mutate(pop = location_pop$pop2[match(location, location_pop$location)],
         disposition_HW = disposition_HW$HW[match(disposition, disposition_HW$disposition)],
         S_obs = replace(S_obs, is.na(S_obs) & disposition_HW == "H", 0),
         S_obs = replace(S_obs, is.na(S_obs) & pop == "Duncan_Creek" & year >= 2004, 0),
         tau_S_obs = sqrt(log((SD/S_obs)^2 + 1))) %>%
  select(year:location, pop, disposition, disposition_HW, method:tau_S_obs) %>%
  arrange(strata, location, year)
names_S_obs <- disposition_HW$disposition</pre>
names_B_take_obs <- disposition_HW$disposition[disposition_HW$HW == "H"]</pre>
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spawner_data_agg <- spawner_data %>% group_by(strata, pop, year, disposition) %>%
  summarize(S_obs = sum(S_obs), tau_S_obs = unique(tau_S_obs)) %>% ungroup() %>%
 pivot_wider(id_cols = c(strata, pop, year), names_from = disposition,
              values_from = c(S_obs, tau_S_obs), values_fill = list(S_obs = 0)) %>%
  add_column(S_obs = rowSums(select(., all_of(paste0("S_obs_", names_S_obs)))),
             tau_S_obs = rowSums(select(., all_of(paste0("tau_S_obs_", names_S_obs))), na.rm =
             B_take_obs = rowSums(select(., all_of(paste0("S_obs_", names_B_take_obs))))) %>%
 mutate(tau_S_obs = replace(tau_S_obs, tau_S_obs == 0, NA)) %>%
  select(-matches(paste(names_S_obs, collapse = "|"))) %>%
  as.data.frame()
# Spawner age-, sex-, and origin-frequency (aka BioData)
bio_data <- read.csv(here("data", "Data_ChumSpawnerBioData_2019-12-12.csv"),
                     header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors = TRUE) %>%
 rename(year = Return.Yr., strata = Strata, location = Location.Reach,
         disposition = Disposition, origin = Origin, sex = Sex, age = Age, count = Count) %>%
 mutate(pop = location_pop$pop2[match(location, location_pop$location)],
         origin_HW = ifelse(origin == "Natural_spawner", "W", "H"),
         count = ifelse(is.na(count), 0, count)) %>%
  select(year:location, pop, disposition, origin, origin_HW, sex:count) %>%
  arrange(strata, location, year, origin, age, sex)
# age of wild spawners only
bio_data_age <- bio_data %>% filter(origin_HW == "W") %>%
  dcast(year + strata + pop ~ age, value.var = "count", fun.aggregate = sum)
bio_data_origin <- bio_data %>%
  dcast(year + strata + pop ~ origin_HW, value.var = "count", fun.aggregate = sum)
# Juvenile abundance data
# Assumptions:
# (1) Smolts from Duncan Channel represent all naturally produced offspring of spawners
      in Duncan Creek (hence Duncan_Channel -> Duncan_Creek in location_pop)
# (2) Duncan_North + Duncan_South = Duncan_Channel, so the former two are redundant
      (not really an assumption, although the equality isn't perfect in all years)
# (3) When calculating the observation error of log(M_obs), tau_M_obs, assume
      Abund_Mean and Abund_SD are the mean and SD of a lognormal posterior distribution
      of smolt abundance based on the sample
# (4) If Abund_SD == 0 (when Analysis=="Census": some years in Duncan_Channel and
      Hamilton_Channel) treat as NA
juv_data <- read.csv(here("data", "Data_ChumJuvenileAbundance_2020-06-09.csv"),</pre>
                     header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors = TRUE) %>%
 rename(brood_year = Brood.Year, year = Outmigration.Year, strata = Strata,
         location = Location.Reach, origin = Origin, trap_type = TrapType,
         analysis = Analysis, partial_spawners = Partial.Spawners, raw_catch = RawCatch,
         M_obs = Abund_Mean, SD = Abund_SD, L95 = Abund_L95, U95 = Abund_U95, CV = Abund_CV,
         comments = Comments) %>%
 mutate(pop = location_pop$pop2[match(location, location_pop$location)],
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tau_M_obs = replace(sqrt(log((SD/M_obs)^2 + 1)), SD==0, NA)) %>%
  select(strata, location, pop, year, brood_year, origin:CV, tau_M_obs, comments) %>%
  arrange(strata, location, year)
# drop hatchery or redundant pops and cases with leading or trailing NAs in M_obs
head_noNA <- function(x) { cumsum(!is.na(x)) > 0 }
juv_data_incl <- juv_data %>% filter(pop %in% spawner_data$pop) %>%
 mutate(location = factor(location), pop = factor(pop, levels = levels(spawner_data$pop))) %>
  group_by(pop) %>% filter(head_noNA(M_obs) & rev(head_noNA(rev(M_obs)))) %>% as.data.frame()
# Fish data formatted for salmonIPM
# Drop age-2 and age-6 samples (each is < 0.1% of aged spawners)</pre>
# Use A = 1 for now (so Rmax in units of spawners)
fish_data <- full_join(spawner_data_agg, bio_data_age, by = c("strata", "pop", "year")) %>%
  full_join(bio_data_origin, by = c("strata", "pop", "year")) %>%
  full_join(juv_data_incl, by = c("strata", "pop", "year")) %>%
 mutate(B_take_obs = replace(B_take_obs, is.na(B_take_obs), 0)) %>%
 rename_at(vars(contains("Age-")), list(~ paste0(sub("Age-","n_age",.), "_obs"))) %>%
  select(-c(n_age2_obs, n_age6_obs)) %>%
 rename(n_H_obs = H, n_W_obs = W) %>% mutate(A = 1, fit_p_HOS = NA, F_rate = 0) %>%
 mutate_at(vars(contains("n_")), ~ replace(., is.na(.), 0)) %>%
  select(strata, pop, year, A, S_obs, tau_S_obs, M_obs, tau_M_obs, n_age3_obs:n_W_obs,
         fit_p_HOS, B_take_obs, F_rate) %>% arrange(strata, pop, year)
# fill in fit_p_HOS
for(i in 1:nrow(fish_data)) {
 pop_i <- as.character(fish_data$pop[i])</pre>
  start_year <- ifelse(pop_i %in% hatcheries$pop,</pre>
                       min(hatcheries$start_brood_year[hatcheries$pop == pop_i]) + 1,
  fish_data$fit_p_HOS[i] <- ifelse((!is.na(start_year) & fish_data$year[i] >= start_year) |
                                     fish_data n_H_obs[i] > 0, 1, 0
}
# # drop cases with initial NAs in S_obs unless bio data is present
# fish_data <- fish_data %>% mutate(n_age = rowSums(select(., n_age2_obs:n_age6_obs))) %>%
    group_by(pop) %>% filter(head_noNA(S_obs) | cumsum(n_age) > 0) %>%
    select(-n_age) %>% as.data.frame()
# subsets for models with specific stage structure
# spawner-spawner: drop cases with initial NAs in S_obs, even if bio data is present
fish_data_SS <- fish_data %>% group_by(pop) %>% filter(head_noNA(S_obs)) %>% as.data.frame()
# spawner-spawner: drop cases with initial NAs in M_obs, even if bio data is present
fish_data_SMS <- fish_data %>% group_by(pop) %>%
  filter(head_noNA(S_obs) | head_noNA(M_obs)) %>% as.data.frame()
# pad data with future years to generate forecasts
# use 5-year (1-generation) time horizon
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Let's look at the first few rows of fish_data to see the format salmonIPM expects...

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head(fish_data_SMS)
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	strata	pop	year	A	S_obs	tau_S_obs	M_obs	tau_M_obs	n_age3_obs	n_age4_obs	n_age5_obs n
1	Cascade	${\tt Cascade_MS}$	2002	1	3160	0.15231109	NA	NA	101	114	7
2	Cascade	${\tt Cascade_MS}$	2003	1	2866	0.05572085	NA	NA	19	448	26
3	Cascade	${\tt Cascade_MS}$	2004	1	2324	0.08680695	NA	NA	75	203	50
4	Cascade	${\tt Cascade_MS}$	2005	1	923	0.03711614	NA	NA	4	38	0
5	Cascade	${\tt Cascade_MS}$	2006	1	869	0.02342601	NA	NA	1	41	0
6	Cascade	${\tt Cascade_MS}$	2007	1	576	0.05358997	NA	NA	32	115	43
	B_take_c	bs F_rate									

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2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
5	0	0
6	0	0

3 Retrospective models

Fit two-stage spawner-smolt-spawner models and explore output...

Density-independent

Inference for Stan model: IPM_LCRchum_pp.
3 chains, each with iter=1500; warmup=500; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=1000, total post-warmup draws=3000.

	mean	se_mean	sd	2.5%	50%	97.5%	n_eff	Rhat
mu_alpha	6.76	0.00	0.16	6.44	6.76	7.07	1981	1.00
sigma_alpha	0.39	0.00	0.13	0.18	0.37	0.71	1607	1.00
rho_phi_M	0.28	0.01	0.33	-0.44	0.31	0.80	1438	1.00
sigma_phi_M	0.56	0.00	0.17	0.27	0.54	0.92	1372	1.00
$sigma_M$	0.67	0.00	0.07	0.54	0.67	0.83	908	1.00
mu_MS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2141	1.00
rho_phi_MS	0.54	0.01	0.21	0.03	0.58	0.84	1745	1.00
sigma_phi_MS	1.01	0.01	0.25	0.63	0.97	1.58	2146	1.00
$sigma_MS$	0.74	0.00	0.08	0.60	0.73	0.90	1288	1.00
mu_p[1]	0.20	0.00	0.02	0.16	0.20	0.24	1121	1.00
mu_p[2]	0.75	0.00	0.02	0.71	0.75	0.79	1404	1.00
mu_p[3]	0.05	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.06	926	1.00
sigma_gamma[1]	0.22	0.01	0.18	0.01	0.18	0.64	534	1.01
sigma_gamma[2]	0.22	0.01	0.16	0.01	0.20	0.61	463	1.01
$R_{gamma}[1,1]$	1.00	NaN	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	NaN	NaN
$R_{gamma}[1,2]$	0.31	0.02	0.56	-0.89	0.45	0.99	735	1.01
$R_{gamma}[2,1]$	0.31	0.02	0.56	-0.89	0.45	0.99	735	1.01
$R_{gamma}[2,2]$	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	442	1.00
sigma_p[1]	1.62	0.00	0.14	1.37	1.62	1.91	900	1.00
sigma_p[2]	0.91	0.00	0.09	0.74	0.91	1.12	1011	1.00
R_p[1,1]	1.00	NaN	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	NaN	NaN
$R_p[1,2]$	0.67	0.00	0.08	0.51	0.68	0.81	861	1.00
R_p[2,1]	0.67	0.00	0.08	0.51	0.68	0.81	861	1.00
$R_p[2,2]$	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	199	1.00
mu_tau_M	0.07	0.00	0.01	0.05	0.07	0.09	3752	1.00
$sigma_tau_M$	1.05	0.00	0.12	0.85	1.05	1.31	4326	1.00
mu_tau_S	0.10	0.00	0.01	0.09	0.10	0.12	4315	1.00
sigma_tau_S	0.88	0.00	0.05	0.79	0.88	0.98	7920	1.00
lp	-22056.78	1.13	30.66	-22117.74	-22056.66	-21998.58	738	1.00

Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Sun Jul 05 16:30:39 2020. For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size, and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at convergence, Rhat=1).

Beverton-Holt

Inference for Stan model: IPM_LCRchum_pp.
3 chains, each with iter=1500; warmup=500; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=1000, total post-warmup draws=3000.

	mean	se_mean	sd	2.5%	50%	97.5%	n_eff	Rhat
mu_alpha	9.13	0.23	1.51	7.57	8.81	13.27	42	1.06
sigma_alpha	1.62	0.02	0.57	0.63	1.56	2.84	1135	1.00
mu_Rmax	13.09	0.02	0.57	11.95	13.08	14.25	524	1.01
$sigma_Rmax$	1.67	0.01	0.39	1.06	1.62	2.57	1397	1.01
rho_alphaRmax	-0.43	0.02	0.36	-0.90	-0.51	0.47	323	1.02
rho_phi_M	0.10	0.02	0.43	-0.71	0.11	0.79	629	1.01
sigma_phi_M	0.18	0.01	0.11	0.01	0.17	0.43	164	1.01
$sigma_M$	0.34	0.00	0.05	0.26	0.34	0.45	175	1.02
mu_MS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1448	1.00
rho_phi_MS	0.48	0.01	0.25	-0.09	0.51	0.84	1304	1.00
sigma_phi_MS	1.03	0.01	0.23	0.68	1.00	1.54	1721	1.00
$sigma_MS$	0.64	0.00	0.06	0.53	0.64	0.76	1203	1.00
mu_p[1]	0.20	0.00	0.02	0.16	0.20	0.24	1161	1.00
mu_p[2]	0.75	0.00	0.02	0.71	0.75	0.79	1425	1.00
mu_p[3]	0.05	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.06	1187	1.00
sigma_gamma[1]	0.23	0.01	0.19	0.01	0.19	0.71	427	1.01
sigma_gamma[2]	0.23	0.01	0.17	0.01	0.20	0.66	399	1.01
$R_{gamma}[1,1]$	1.00	NaN	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	${\tt NaN}$	${\tt NaN}$
$R_{gamma}[1,2]$	0.35	0.02	0.55	-0.87	0.49	0.99	594	1.00
$R_{gamma}[2,1]$	0.35	0.02	0.55	-0.87	0.49	0.99	594	1.00
$R_{gamma}[2,2]$	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2090	1.00
sigma_p[1]	1.65	0.01	0.14	1.38	1.64	1.95	571	1.00
sigma_p[2]	0.93	0.00	0.10	0.76	0.92	1.13	831	1.00
$R_p[1,1]$	1.00	NaN	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	NaN	NaN
$R_p[1,2]$	0.68	0.00	0.08	0.50	0.68	0.81	643	1.00
R_p[2,1]	0.68	0.00	0.08	0.50	0.68	0.81	643	1.00
$R_p[2,2]$	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	76	1.00
mu_tau_M	0.07	0.00	0.01	0.05	0.07	0.09	2271	1.00
$sigma_tau_M$	1.05	0.00	0.11	0.86	1.04	1.30	4475	1.00
mu_tau_S	0.10	0.00	0.01	0.09	0.10	0.12	3702	1.00
$sigma_tau_S$	0.88	0.00	0.05	0.79	0.88	0.99	4678	1.00
lp	-22060.21	1.05	29.91	-22119.91	-22059.89	-22003.01	812	1.01

Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Sun Jul 05 18:19:41 2020. For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size, and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at convergence, Rhat=1).

Ricker

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LCRchum_Ricker <- salmonIPM(fish_data = fish_data SMS, ages = list(M = 1),
                             stan_model = "IPM_LCRchum_pp", SR_fun = "Ricker",
                             pars = "B_rate_all", include = FALSE, log_lik = TRUE,
                             chains = 3, iter = 1500, warmup = 500,
                             control = list(adapt_delta = 0.95, max_treedepth = 13))
print(LCRchum_Ricker, prob = c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975),
      pars = c("alpha", "Rmax", "phi M", "phi MS", "gamma", "p", "tau M", "tau S",
               "p_HOS", "S", "M", "s_MS", "q", "LL"),
      include = FALSE, use cache = FALSE)
Inference for Stan model: IPM_LCRchum_pp.
3 chains, each with iter=1500; warmup=500; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=1000, total post-warmup draws=3000.
                    mean se_mean
                                     sd
                                             2.5%
                                                        50%
                                                                 97.5% n_eff Rhat
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                                                                  7.74
mu_alpha
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sigma_alpha
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mu_Rmax
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sigma_Rmax
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rho_alphaRmax
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rho_phi_M
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sigma_phi_M
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sigma_gamma[1]
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R_gamma[1,2]
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R_gamma[2,1]
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R_gamma[2,2]
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sigma_p[1]
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sigma_p[2]
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R_p[1,1]
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R_p[1,2]
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mu_tau_M
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sigma_tau_M
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mu_tau_S
                   0.10
                           0.00 0.01
                                            0.09
                                                      0.10
                                                                0.12
                                                                     3752 1.00
sigma_tau_S
                   0.88
                            0.00 0.05
                                            0.79
                                                      0.88
                                                                0.98
                                                                     4868 1.00
              -22061.56
                           1.05 31.04 -22125.01 -22061.04 -22002.53
                                                                      875 1.00
lp__
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Samples were drawn using NUTS(diag_e) at Sun Jul 05 19:50:28 2020. For each parameter, n_eff is a crude measure of effective sample size, and Rhat is the potential scale reduction factor on split chains (at convergence, Rhat=1).

Model comparison based on LOO. Unhelpful because Pareto ks are too high, but appears to favor Beverton-Holt.

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LL_LCRchum <- lapply(list(exp = LCRchum_exp, BH = LCRchum_BH, Ricker = LCRchum_Ricker),
                 loo::extract_log_lik, parameter_name = "LL", merge_chains = FALSE)
# Relative ESS of posterior draws of observationwise likelihood
r eff_LCRchum <- lapply(LL_LCRchum, function(x) relative_eff(exp(x)))</pre>
# PSIS-LOO
LOO_LCRchum <- lapply(1:length(LL_LCRchum),</pre>
                       function(i) loo(LL_LCRchum[[i]], r_eff = r_eff_LCRchum[[i]]))
names(LOO_LCRchum) <- names(LL_LCRchum)</pre>
## Compare all three models
loo_compare(LOO_LCRchum)
       elpd_diff se_diff
         0.0
                   0.0
BH
exp
       -14.9
                   8.1
Ricker -19.9
                   7.0
## Exponential vs. Ricker
loo_compare(LOO_LCRchum[c("exp","Ricker")])
       elpd_diff se_diff
        0.0
                  0.0
exp
Ricker -5.1
                  6.8
## Exponential vs. Beverton-Holt
loo_compare(LOO_LCRchum[c("exp","BH")])
    elpd_diff se_diff
BH
      0.0
                0.0
exp -14.9
                8.1
## Beverton-Holt vs. Ricker
loo_compare(LOO_LCRchum[c("BH","Ricker")])
```

 $\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{elpd_diff se_diff} \\ \text{BH} & \text{0.0} & \text{0.0} \\ \text{Ricker -19.9} & \text{7.0} \\ \end{array}$

Plot estimated spawner-smolt production curves and parameters for the Beverton-Holt model.

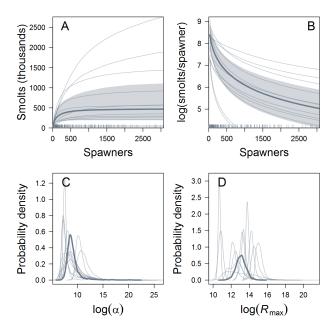


Figure 1: Estimated Beverton-Holt spawner-recruit relationship (A, B) and intrinsic productivity (C) and capacity (D) parameters for the multi-population IPM. Thin lines correspond to each of 12 populations of Lower Columbia chum salmon; thick lines represent hyper-means across populations. In (A, B), each curve is a posterior median and the shaded region represents the 90% credible interval of the hyper-mean curve (uncertainty around the population-specific curves is omitted for clarity).

Now do the same for the Ricker model.

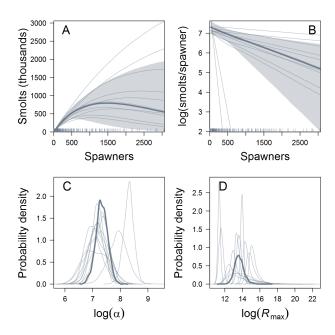


Figure 2: Estimated Ricker spawner-recruit relationship (A, B) and intrinsic productivity (C) and capacity (D) parameters for the multi-population IPM. Thin lines correspond to each of 12 populations of Lower Columbia River chum salmon; thick lines represent hyper-means across populations. In (A, B), each curve is a posterior median and the shaded region represents the 90% credible interval of the hyper-mean curve (uncertainty around the population-specific curves is omitted for clarity).

The Beverton-Holt model is biologically plausible and appears to be supported by LOO, albeit with caveats, so let's tentatively proceed with that model for now. Here are the fits to the spawner data:

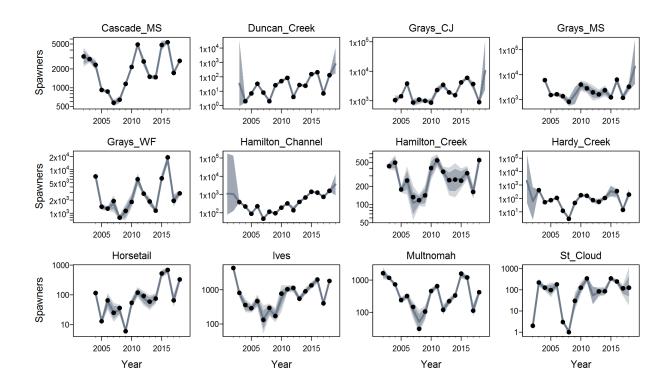


Figure 3: Observed (points) and estimated spawner abundance for Lower Columbia River chum salmon populations. The posterior median (solid gray line) is from the multi-population IPM. Posterior 90% credible intervals indicate process (dark shading) and observation (light shading) uncertainty.

And here are the fits to the much sparser smolt data:

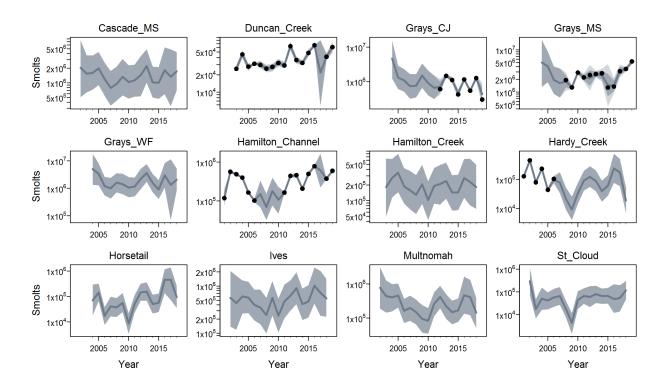


Figure 4: Observed (points) and estimated smolt abundance for Lower Columbia River chum salmon populations. The posterior median (solid gray line) is from the multi-population IPM. Posterior 90% credible intervals indicate process (dark shading) and observation (light shading) uncertainty.

We can examine how the model partitions shared interannual fluctuations between the two life-stage transitions. . .

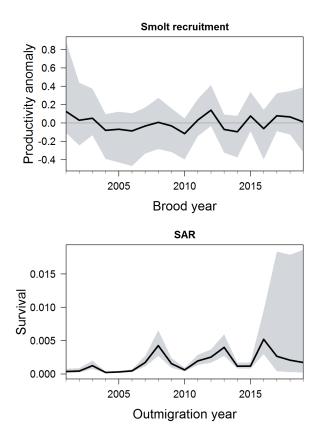


Figure 5: Estimates of shared (ESU-level) process errors from the multi-population IPM fitted to Lower Columbia River chum salmon data. The top panel shows the shared anomalies around the Ricker spawner recruit function, and the bottom panel shows the average SAR.

4 Forecasting

It is straightforward to use the IPM to generate forecasts of population dynamics. . .

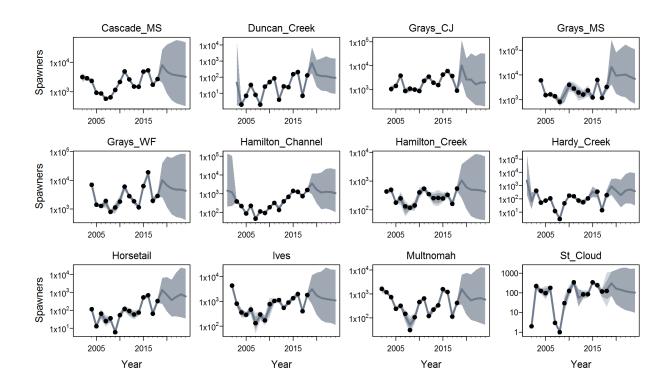


Figure 6: Observed (points) and estimated spawner abundance for Lower Columbia River chum salmon populations, including 5-year forecasts. The posterior median (solid gray line) is from the multi-population IPM. Posterior 90% credible intervals indicate process (dark shading) and observation (light shading) uncertainty.

Of course we could also look at forecasts of smolts, or any other state variable. Here are the 2020 forecasts of wild spawners for each population...

Estimate
4827 (872, 40182)
141 (25, 1155)
2619 (504, 20186)
9319 (1717, 81785)
6664 (1158, 67773)
1637 (307, 11795)
611 (108, 5125)
410 (68, 3444)
721 (86, 7113)
1728 (291, 14122)
847 (137, 7670)
163 (26, 1486)
34573 (9092, 253288)