# COMP 309 Assignment two

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**Dataset: Fish stocks** 

# **Business understanding**

#### General description:

The fish resource is one of the more important resources for human beings. Fish is also the most common food for human and its industry has been considered as a very profitable business to exploit. Nowadays, with the increasing amount of fish consumption, overfishing has been engaged more attention globally. This assignment aims to find out the actual influence brought to fish stocks by human's fishing activities based on a fish stock dataset. The results will help us to decide whether we should believe the News headline. Hence, it could potentially inspire us to take actions and protect our fishing stocks.

#### Business objectives:

- · Is there any evidence of fish stocks collapsing in NZ waters?
- How does the change in fish stocks affect the New Zealand marine environment?
- · What criteria does the government use to formulate fish protection policies?

#### Situation assessment:

Until 2016, the fishing industry is taking account of 0.18% New Zealand GDP which is approximately \$459 million. The related industry like seafood processing also takes 0.2% of NZ GDP. Those industries offered 43,640 jobs. Meanwhile, the total exports value increased by 43% since 2003. However, the fish resource is limited and can be affected by many factors (climate, pollution, and human activities). New Zealand government claimed that they put massive efforts to make aquaculture industry sustainable. Therefore, the media holds a negative view of fishing scenarios. Hence, I will use and analyze the authorized dataset to make a fair conclusion regarding real fishing scenarios.

## Data mining goal:

- Investigating the characteristics of the dataset
- Summarize and find the future trend of the dataset.

### Project plan:

- 1. Collect initial data
- 2. Modify and pre-processing raw data.
- 3. Analyze data using machine learning methods.
- 4. Compare business goals.
- 5. Get a conclusion.

# Data understanding

#### Initial data:

I collected initial data from Data NZ (https://www.data.govt.nz/). The dataset called "Fish monetary stock account 06-18" which contains the variation of fish stocks over the last 12 years. This dataset also has a few attributes like catchment per species, TACC per species, etc. I chose this dataset because it provides attributes related to fish stocks and the size of the dataset is reasonable. We can also find 12 years of statistics which could contribute to the accuracy of the prediction.

### Data description:

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The initial dataset consists of 7 attributes and they are species, year, variable, units, magnitude, source, and data-value respectively. Data values contain the amount of the variable. Species indicates the various range of the fish. TACC stands for the total allowable commercial catchment which is the estimated maximum amount of fishing per species. The catchment represents actual fishing amount. Based on observation, the attributes above are highly relevant to overfishing.

#### Data verification:

The information contained in dataset is useful but complex and hard to understand. The variable contains the important values with inconsistent units. For example, the asset value is money and use dollars as the unit. TACC is the number of the allowable catchment which uses ton as the unit. Thus, when I used weka to load data it will lead to an inaccurate result. Then, the dataset is of high complexity and high noise which results in a medium quality dataset.

For solving the problems above, we can modify the data from three aspects

- Reformating the data and make it clearer to follow.
- · Getting rid of meaningless attributes.
- Add functional features to strengthen the characters.

# Data preparation

#### Reformat data:



The variable attribute contains three important values. To represent data clearly, I choose to change values to attributes. Hence, those important values can have their column to display data.

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species	year	asset value - \$.M	catchment -tonnes	TACC - tonnes	ı

#### Eliminate meaningless attributes:

units	magnitude	source
Dollars	Millions	<b>Environmental Accounts</b>
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Those attributes in the initial dataset are related to the variable. In the previous step, we have reformated the dataset and change items in the variable to attributes. Thus, those attributes can be removed from the new dataset.

#### Add valuable attributes:

ls under TACC	TACC changes/year	Catchment changes/year
No	0	1593.1
No	0	3035.7
Yes	0	-6066.4
Yes	0	735.9
Yes	0	-1765.4
Yes	0	926.3

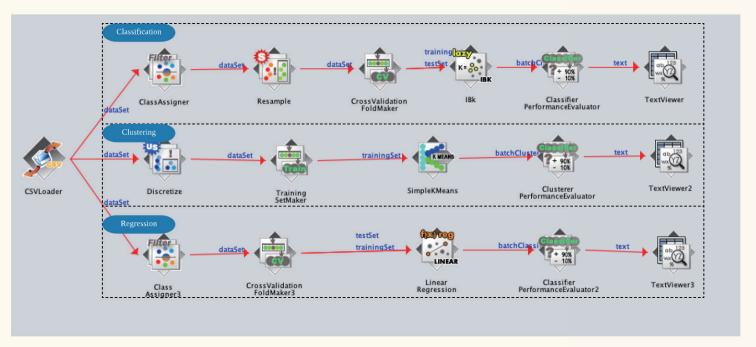
To make the dataset have stronger characteristics, I added three useful attributes. They are the changes between actual catchment and TACC, changes between TACC and previous year TACC, and the difference between this year's catchment and previous year's catchment respectively. The added attributes can help us analyze the data from different directions. As a consequence, we can get an obvious and clear trend of the dataset after manipulating it.

### Dataset display:

species	year	asset value - \$.M	catchment -tonnes	TACC - tonnes	Is under TACC	TACC changes/year	Catchment changes/year
Silver Warehou	2006	72	11138	10380.2	No	0	1593.1
Silver Warehou	2007	85.7	14173.7	10380.2	No	0	3035.7
Silver Warehou	2008	82.7	8107.3	10380.2	Yes	0	-6066.4
Silver Warehou	2009	86.4	8843.2	10380.2	Yes	0	735.9
Silver Warehou	2010	89	7077.8	10380.2	Yes	0	-1765.4
Silver Warehou	2011	100.7	8004.1	10380.2	Yes	0	926.3
Silver Warehou	2012	83.6	7130.3	10380.2	Yes	0	-873.8
Silver Warehou	2013	75.3	8663.1	10380.2	Yes	0	1532.8
Silver Warehou	2014	85.2	7988.1	10380.2	Yes	0	-675
Silver Warehou	2015	96.7	9052.6	10380.2	Yes	0	1064.5
Silver Warehou	2016	124.6	7514.9	10380.2	Yes	0	-1537.7
Silver Warehou	2017	143.1	8670.7	10380.2	Yes	0	1155.8
Silver Warehou	2018	171.1	8652.8	10380.2	Yes	0	-17.9
Blue Cod	2006	56.7	2187.4	2681.5	Yes	0	-264.9
Blue Cod	2007	46.2	2419.8	2681.5	Yes	0	232.4
Blue Cod	2008	41.3	2316	2681.5	Yes	0	-103.8
Blue Cod	2009	39.6	2418.2	2681.5	Yes	0	102.2
Blue Cod	2010	46.3	2162.5	2681.5	Yes	0	-255.7
Blue Cod	2011	48	2342.6	2681.5	Yes	0	180.1
Blue Cod	2012	45.8	2216.5	2331.6	Yes	-349.9	-126.1
Blue Cod	2013	53.8	2193.5	2331.6	Yes	0	-23
Blue Cod	2014	63.8	2176.1	2331.6	Yes	0	-17.4
Blue Cod	2015	56.5	2207.4	2331.6	Yes	0	31.3
Blue Cod	2016	130.2	2105.7	2331.6	Yes	0	-101.7
Blue Cod	2017	81.4	2155.1	2331.6	Yes	0	49.4
Blue Cod	2018	148	2045.3	2331.6	Yes	0	-109.8
outhern Blue Whiting	2006	71.1	30277.6	35648	Yes	0	8658
outhern Blue Whiting	2007	54.9	25363.4	30648	Yes	-5000	-4914.2
outhern Blue Whiting	2008	63.2	25586.6	30648	Yes	0	223.2

# Modeling

### Pipeline simulation:



In the modeling part, I implemented three techniques, classification, clustering and regression. Three machine learning methods are specializing in different fields. In the following part, I will explain the results of those three techniques based on the given dataset. Meantime, I will also address the difference between the three techniques.

#### Classification:

```
=== Classifier model (full training set) ===
IB1 instance-based classifier
using 1 nearest neighbour(s) for classification
Time taken to build model: 0 seconds
=== Stratified cross-validation ===
Correctly Classified Instances
                                                                99.1379 %
Incorrectly Classified Instances
                                                                 0.8621 %
Kappa statistic
                                             0.9828
                                             0.0109
Mean absolute error
Root mean squared error
Relative absolute error
                                             0.0928
Root relative squared error
Total Number of Instances
                                            18.5645 %
=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ==
                                                                                               PRC Area
                   TP Rate
                                       Precision
                                                   Recall
                                                             F-Measure
                                                                                                          Class
                                                                         0.983
                   1.000
                             0.017
                                       0.983
                                                   1.000
                                                             0.991
                                                                                    0.988
                                                                                              0.970
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Weighted Avg.
                   0.991
                             0.009
                                                             0.991
                                                                          0.983
                                                                                    0.988
                                                                                              0.981
=== Confusion Matrix ===
            <-- classified as
       b
              a = No
b = Yes
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From observation, we can find that classification use percentage to represent the result. IBK algorithm delivers a good performance regarding this dataset (99.13%). However, this is not an ideal and appropriate form to illustrate this dataset. Because we are aiming to see the future trend of the fishing industry. The classification is very effective to label the existing instances. Even though the performance is very high but it does not match my data mining goal. Thus, alternative options should be considered.

#### Clustering:

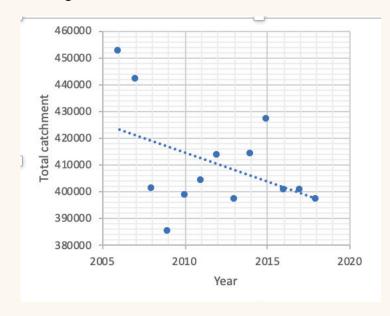
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=== Clustering model (full training set) ===
kMeans
Number of iterations: 3
Within cluster sum of squared errors: 124.78471602708888
Initial starting points (random):
Cluster 0: Scampi,2008,188.9,668.2,1291,Yes,0,-169.5
Cluster 1: 'Orange Roughy',2016,362.5,7811.1,8736,Yes,0,-405.3
Cluster 2: 'Southern Blue Whiting',2012,82.7,38439.5,43408,Yes,-1440,-268.6
Missing values globally replaced with mean/mode
Final cluster centroids:
                                                             Cluster#
Attribute
                                     Full Data
                                        (130.0)
                                                               (54.0)
                                                                                      (50.0)
                                                                                                            (26.0)
                                Silver Warehou
                                                               Scampi
                                                                              Orange Roughy Southern Blue Whiting
species
                                          2012
                                                            2009.6667
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vear
asset value - $.M
                                         420.03
                                                             281.2352
                                                                                                          512.9308
                                                                                     521.62
catchment -tonnes
                                    19869.6746
                                                                                   6815.446
                                                                                                        76390.6577
                                                            4743.1167
                                                                                                        83905.4231
TACC - tonnes
                                     22492,9677
                                                            6125.5963
                                                                                   8235.252
Is under TACC
                                           Yes
                                                                  Yes
                                                                                        Yes
                                                                                                               Yes
                                      436.0338
                                                              -4.9463
                                                                                    -124.31
                                                                                                            2429.5
TACC changes/year
                                                            -127,2519
                                                                                                         1171.5077
Catchment changes/year
                                      176.5062
                                                                                    -12.836
Time taken to build model (full training data): 0 seconds
=== Model and evaluation on training set ===
Clustered Instances
        54 ( 42%)
        50 (38%)
        26 ( 20%)
```

The result indicates that the clustering method is incompatible with a numeric dataset. However, the given dataset only has two nominal features. The rest of attributes are all numeric attributes. The objective of the task is not grouping the data as well. The eventual goal of implementing fish stocks dataset is to predict the risks of overfishing in the future. Cluster analysis is not helpful to forecast the future trend. Thus, clustering is not an appropriate form for representing my dataset as well.

### Regression:

```
=== Classifier model (full training set) ===
Linear Regression Model
Catchment changes/year =
   4153.7453 * species=Ling, Paua, Blue Cod, Scampi, Snapper, Rock Lobster, Orange Roughy, Silver Warehou, Hoki +
   1738.7195 * species=Paua,Blue Cod,Scampi,Snapper,Rock Lobster,Orange Roughy,Silver Warehou,Hoki +
  -1695.5132 * species=Snapper,Rock Lobster,Orange Roughy,Silver Warehou,Hoki +
   1431.2998 * species=Rock Lobster,Orange Roughy,Silver Warehou,Hoki +
  -8707.5648 * species=Hoki +
      0.0605 * TACC - tonnes -
   1601.7515 * Is under TACC=No +
      1.0978 * TACC changes/year +
  -5987.2548
Time taken to build model: 0.01 seconds
=== Cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===
                                         0.875
Correlation coefficient
Mean absolute error
                                        982.8675
                                       2224.5674
Root mean squared error
Relative absolute error
                                         41.1049 %
Root relative squared error
                                         48.4902 %
Total Number of Instances
                                        232
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Regression uses a statistic model to find relationships among variables. Regression is used for predicting and forecasting the future trend of variables. This is matching with my data mining goal - to gather characters of my dataset and trend of the dataset shows. I have done a regression regarding Catchment. Catchment's change is the select class. The results show strong positive correlations (0.875). The diagram helps us have a better understanding of the result given above.



As we can see from the diagram on the left, this dataset showed a strong negative correlation. This means that with time goes by, the fishing amount declined. This regression analysis reveals a different result which is advertised by media.

It also explained why the regression result has a high mean absolute error. After observing the diagram, we can find that the value is quite spread out. But the trend of the correlation is obvious. We still can find a strong correlation on it. For predicting the future, the regression analysis is the best form to achieve my data mining goal.

#### Different aspects of techniques:

**Classification** is the process of categorizing instances into different classes. In the classification process, we should have distinct classes or label the algorithm which can help decide which categories the item should go, related to my dataset. The only nominal attribute is whether catchment is under TACC. At the same time, classification is a supervised learning method. Knearest neighbor ask us to define a K value which represents the K numbers neighbors. In my dataset, 10 species have little relationships. In the meantime, the numeric attributes are highly random and it may cause inaccurate results.

**Cluster analysis** is the process of grouping a set of unlabeled objects or instances into a few groups. Instances in one group all have similar characters. Clustering is normally done as an unsupervised learning technique. I used k-means clustering method to achieve my goal on this dataset. For my dataset, all attributes have clear relationships with other features. The potential class attributes should be taken considered. Hence, there is no way to define a good K value to implement K-mean clustering.

**Regression** is another supervised learning method which relies on mathematics models to calculate the relationships among variables. Linear Regression uses dependent and independent variables to predict future possible value. For my dataset, I inputted catchment as my variable and it gave me a strong correlation, which indicates the strong relations among the variables. However, the value of dataset is big. The absolute mean errors haven been raised. But regression is still the best prediction analysis method among the three techniques.

## **Evaluation**

#### Review business understanding:

Is there any evidence of fish stocks collapsing in NZ waters?

After analyzing the dataset, the regression of actual catchment helps me to understand the real fishing scenarios. The catchment has been slightly declined. The prediction of future trend is also decreasing. This result conveys us with a positive message that the NZ fishing Industry has a small chance to collapse. Nevertheless, we can never say the result we got is accurate. The variation in fish stocks can be affected by many factors. The conclusion I made is only validated based on this vdataset. For considering other aspects, we should also get more information.

#### Further two questions:

How does the change in fish stocks affect the New Zealand marine environment?

Ecosystems are interrelated. This question can explore the chain reaction brought about by changes in one aspect. Fisheries are important for the marine environment. Will the change in fish stocks dramatically impact on the marine environment? It is worth to investigate.

· What criteria does the government use to formulate fish protection policies?

When the government decides on fish protection policies, what are the prioritized indicators to push them to make the decision? It is very interesting to explore. In part 2, I will merge or append two foreign data sets to my original dataset to gather more information and find the answer to this question.

# **Business understanding(Part 2)**

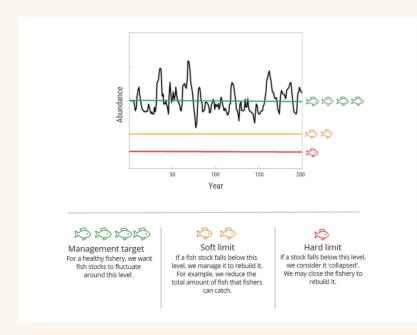
What criteria does the government use to formulate fish protection policies?

### Project plan:

- 1. Describe and explain new supporting datasets.
- 2. Merge datasets
- 3. Dimensionality reduction
- 4. Analyze results
- 5. Give the conclusion

# Data understanding(Part 2)

In part one, we were focusing on fish stocks. The dataset gives us a clear indication of the future trend brought by catchment. For achieving the new business objective - understanding the motivation behind why the New Zealand government set those regulations. We should merge a few support dataset.



In fish stock status published by fishery New Zealand, there are three indexes related to fishing. These are soft limit, hard limit, and the management target of average fishing. They are represented as percentages. I used the 2009-2015 soft limit and hard limit data as my support datasets to observe how those limits affect the government's behavior.

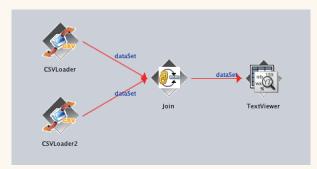
### Why soft limit and hard limt?

Soft limit and hard limit directly reflect the real situation of one marine species. If the fish stock is above both hard and soft limit, it means the fish remain in a healthy quantity, vice versa. Thus, those two indicators help us to make the decision should the government adjust downwardly the allowable catchment. If TACC and soft and hard limits have a strong relationship, we can say, these two indexes can be the guide when the government trying to create new fishing protection policy. In the following part, I will merge these two datasets with my original data and modify it.

#### Verification data:

- Merge data
- Deal with missing values
- Dimensionality reduction

# Data preparation(Part 2)

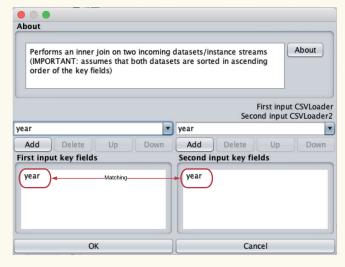


Weka has a function called "Join". The function helps us to merge two datasets. My original dataset shared the same years with soft and hard limits. Thus, I used years as my joint key to making three datasets together.

species	year	asset value - \$.M	catchment -tonnes	TACC - tonnes	Is under TACC	TACC changes/year	Catchment changes/year
Silver Warehou	2006	72	11138	10380.2	No	0	1593.1
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Blue Cod	2009	39.6	2418.2	2681.5	Yes	0	102.2
Blue Cod	2010	46.3	2162.5	2681.5	Yes	0	-255.7
Blue Cod	2011	48	2342.6	2681.5	Yes	0	180.1
Blue Cod	2012	45.8	2216.5	2331.6	Yes	-349.9	-126.1
Blue Cod	2013	53.8	2193.5	2331.6	Yes	0	-23
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Blue Cod	2009	39.6	2418.2	2681.5	Yes	0	102.2	94	99.5
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Blue Cod	2011	48	2342.6	2681.5	Yes	C	180.1	95.1	97.1
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ern Blue Wh	2009	77.7	31887.4	36948	Yes	6300	6300.8	94	99.5
ern Blue Wt	2010	76.7	39540.1	41848	Yes	4900	7652.7	94.8	99.1
ern Blue Wh	2011	88.7	38708.1	44848	Yes	3000	-832	95.1	97.1
ern Blue Wh	2012	82.7	38439.5	43408	Yes	-1440	-268.6	96.6	99.5
ern Blue Wh	2013	85.8	29906.1	43408	Yes	0	-8533.4	96.1	99,5
ern Blue Wh	2014	92.3	33454.8	43408	Yes	0	3548.7	96.4	99.6
ern Blue Wh	2015	125.2	31866.5	53208	Yes	9800	-1588.3	96.8	99.6
ern Blue Wh	2016	178	24733.4	49288	Yes	-3920	-7133.1	2	?
ern Blue Wh	2017	172.2	22587.8	49288	Yes	-5620	-2145.6	?	7
ern Blue Wh	2018	172.6	21045.9	48815	Yes	-473	-1541.9	?	?
Ling	2006	217.4	14177.8	21977.1	Yes	0	-3008.3	?	2
Ling	2007	238.4	16099.3	21977.1	Yes	0	1921.5	2	2
Ling	2008	233.4	16262.7	21977.1	Yes	0	163.4	2	2
	2000	200.4	10202.7	21011.1	100		100.4	ı	· ·



However, it raises another problem for the dataset. Because my original dataset is from the 2006-2018. Soft and hard limit datasets only offered data from 2009-2015. The new merged dataset has to contain some missing values. I will deal with missing values in the next steps.

#### Replace missing values:



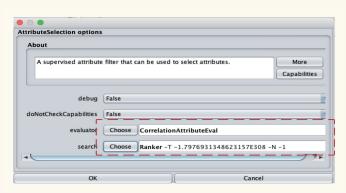
Weka has a function called "replaceMissingValue". I used this function to fill up the missing value in my dataset. The function fills up the gaps by using the mean value.

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lver Wareho	2006	72	11138	10380.2	No	0	1593.1	95.69	99.13
lver Wareho	2007	85.7	14173.7	10380.2	No	0	3035.7	95.69	99.13
ver Wareho	2008	82.7	8107.3	10380.2	Yes	0	-6066.4	95.69	99.13
ver Wareho	2009	86.4	8843.2	10380.2	Yes	0	735.9	94	99.5
ver Wareho	2010	89	7077.8	10380.2	Yes	0	-1765.4	94.8	99.1
ver Wareho	2011	100.7	8004.1	10380.2	Yes	0	926.3	95.1	97.1
er Wareho	2012	83.6	7130.3	10380.2	Yes	0	-873.8	96.6	99.5
ver Wareho	2013	75.3	8663.1	10380.2	Yes	0	1532.8	96.1	99.5
er Wareho	2014	85.2	7988.1	10380.2	Yes	0	-675	96.4	99.6
er Wareho	2015	96.7	9052.6	10380.2	Yes	0	1064.5	96.8	99.6
er Wareho	2016	124.6	7514.9	10380.2	Yes	0	-1537.7	95.69	99.13
er Wareho	2017	143.1	8670.7	10380.2	Yes	0	1155.8	95.69	99.13
er Wareho	2018	171.1	8652.8	10380.2	Yes	0	-17.9	95.69	99.13
Blue Cod	2006	56.7	2187.4	2681.5	Yes	0	-264.9	95.69	99.13
Blue Cod	2007	46.2	2419.8	2681.5	Yes	0	232.4	95.69	99.13
Blue Cod	2008	41.3	2316	2681.5	Yes	0	-103.8	95.69	99.13
Blue Cod	2009	39.6	2418.2	2681.5	Yes	0	102.2	94	99.5
Blue Cod	2010	46.3	2162.5	2681.5	Yes	0	-255.7	94.8	99.1
Blue Cod	2011	48	2342.6	2681.5	Yes	0	180.1	95.1	97.1
Blue Cod	2012	45.8	2216.5	2331.6	Yes	-349.9	-126.1	96.6	99.5
Blue Cod	2013	53.8	2193.5	2331.6	Yes	0	-23	96.1	99.5
Blue Cod	2014	63.8	2176.1	2331.6	Yes	0	-17.4	96.4	99.6
Blue Cod	2015	56.5	2207.4	2331.6	Yes	0	31.3	96.8	99.6
Blue Cod	2016	130.2	2105.7	2331.6	Yes	0	-101.7	95.69	99.13
Blue Cod	2017	81.4	2155.1	2331.6	Yes	0	49.4	95.69	99.13
Blue Cod	2018	148	2045.3	2331.6	Yes	0	-109.8	95.69	99.13
ern Blue W	2006	71.1	30277.6	35648	Yes	0	8658	95.69	99.13
ern Blue W	2007	54.9	25363.4	30648	Yes	-5000	-4914.2	95.69	99.13
ern Blue W	2008	63.2	25586.6	30648	Yes	0	223.2	95.69	99.13
ern Blue W	2009	77.7	31887.4	36948	Yes	6300	6300.8	94	99.5
ern Blue W	2010	76.7	39540.1	41848	Yes	4900	7652.7	94.8	99.1
ern Blue W	2011	88.7	38708.1	44848	Yes	3000	-832	95.1	97.1
ern Blue W	2012	82.7	38439.5	43408	Yes	-1440	-268.6	96.6	99.5
ern Blue W	2013	85.8	29906.1	43408	Yes	0	-8533.4	96.1	99.5
rn Blue W	2014	92.3	33454.8	43408	Yes	0	3548.7	96.4	99.6
ern Blue W	2015	125.2	31866.5	53208	Yes	9800	-1588.3	96.8	99.6
ern Blue W	2016	178	24733.4	49288	Yes	-3920	-7133.1	95.69	99.13
ern Blue W	2017	172.2	22587.8	49288	Yes	0	-2145.6	95.69	99.13
ern Blue W	2017	172.6	21045.9	48815	Yes	-473	-1541.9	95.69	99.13

#### **After**

#### Dimensionality reduction(clear noise):





```
Attribute Evaluator (supervised, Class (numeric): 9 landings_from_stocks_above_soft_limit):
        Correlation Ranking Filter
Ranked attributes:
 0.36005720220225745
                         10 landings_from_stocks_above_hard_limit
 0.3358275259861406
 0.07431965898867963
                         3 asset value - $.M
                         5 TACC - tonnes
 0.04316911467866966
0.04009763345516277
                          4 catchment -tonnes
0.03767561125990619
                          6 Is under TACC
0.029362241640199883
                          8 Catchment changes/year
0.02768274994076389
                          7 TACC changes/year
0.0000000000000000000969
                          1 species
```

Attributes ranker is one of the dimensionality reduction methods. The method gives us a general idea of what the important attributes are for this dataset. The diagram above shows the least related four attributes. Thus, I will remove those four attributes and make a new dataset as a subset of the original dataset. In the following, I will compare two result before and after

```
=== Classifier model (full training set) ===
Linear Regression Model
landings_from_stocks_above_soft_limit =
     -1.0971 * species=Hoki,Blue Cod,Southern Blue Whiting,Rock Lobster +
      1.0927 * species=Blue Cod, Southern Blue Whiting, Rock Lobster +
      0.0649 * year +
            * catchment -tonnes +
             * TACC - tonnes +
      0.3385 * landings_from_stocks_above_hard_limit +
    -68.5107
Time taken to build model: 0 seconds
 === Cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===
                                          0.396
Correlation coefficient
Mean absolute error
                                          0.5286
Root mean squared error
                                         0.6639
Relative absolute error
                                       106.4149 %
                                        91.4166 %
Root relative squared error
Total Number of Instances
                                        130
```

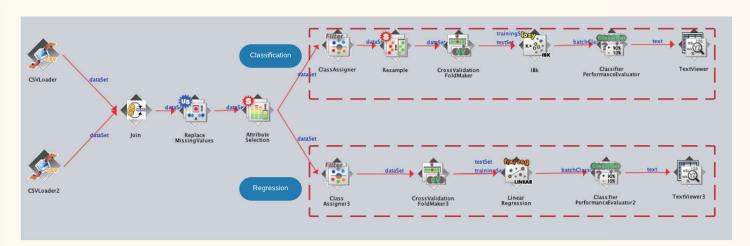
```
=== Classifier model (full training set) ===
Linear Regression Model
landings_from_stocks_above_soft_limit =
      0.0648 * year +
             * catchment -tonnes +
     -0
             * TACC - tonnes +
      0.3426 * landings_from_stocks_above_hard_limit +
    -68.5585
Time taken to build model: 0 seconds
=== Cross-validation ===
=== Summary ==
Correlation coefficient
                                         0.4165
                                         0.5236
Mean absolute error
Root mean squared error
                                         0.6552
Relative absolute error
                                       105.4045 %
Root relative squared error
                                        90.2178 %
Total Number of Instances
                                       130
```

Before After

Even though the correlation is not that strong in this case, we can still see the increasing performance after the attributes were removed. This also helps us investigate the importance of the attributes.

# Modeling(Part 2)

### Pipeline simulation:



After merging the values, I also used attributes selection to decide what attributes should stay in the dataset. The result also implemented as a subset of the merged data.

#### Classification:

```
=== Classifier model (full training set) ===
IB1 instance-based classifier
using 1 nearest neighbour(s) for classification
Time taken to build model: 0 seconds
=== Stratified cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===
Correctly Classified Instances
                                     129
                                                       99.2308 %
Incorrectly Classified Instances
                                       1
                                                       0.7692 %
                                       0.9781
Kappa statistic
Mean absolute error
                                       0.016
Root mean squared error
                                       0.0874
                                      4.4665 %
Relative absolute error
                                     20.7359 %
Root relative squared error
Total Number of Instances
                                     130
=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
                TP Rate FP Rate Precision Recall
                                                     F-Measure MCC
                                                                        ROC Area PRC Area
                                                                                           Class
                                                                                            '(-inf-95.4]'
                         0.000
                                                     0.983
                0.967
                                 1.000
                                            0.967
                                                               0.978
                                                                        0.983
                                                                                  0.974
                1.000
                                                                        0.983
                                                                                  0.990
                                                                                            '(95.4-inf)'
                         0.033
                                 0.990
                                            1.000
                                                     0.995
                                                               0.978
                         0.026
                                 0.992
                                                     0.992
Weighted Avg.
                                            0.992
                                                             0.978
                                                                        0.983
                                                                                  0.986
                0.992
=== Confusion Matrix ===
      b
         <-- classified as
   a
  29 1 | a = '(-inf-95.4]'
   0 100 | b = '(95.4-inf)'
```

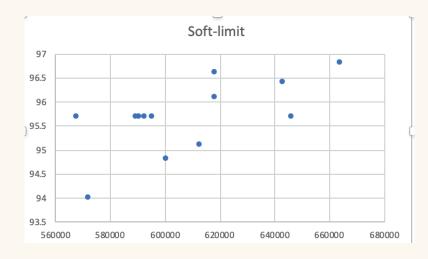
IBK received an excellent performance on this dataset. However, finding relationships between two attributes and predicting the future trend is my priority. Thus, we are not going to discuss this result here.

### Important features:

```
=== Classifier model (full training set) ===
Linear Regression Model
landings_from_stocks_above_soft_limit =
      0.0648 * year +
             * catchment -tonnes +
             * TACC - tonnes +
      0.3426 * landings_from_stocks_above_hard_limit +
    -68.5585
Time taken to build model: 0 seconds
=== Cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===
Correlation coefficient
                                          0.4165
Mean absolute error
                                          0.5236
Root mean squared error
                                          0.6552
                                        105.4045 %
Relative absolute error
Root relative squared error
                                        90.2178 %
Total Number of Instances
                                        130
```

Based on the observation, the Both regression analysis and weight analysis show TACC and soft limt are not highly related. The diagram on the left indicate that the statistics speard out and we don't have enough information to say it is a strong pattern. The regression analysis shows

# **Evaluation**



Both regression analysis and weight analysis show TACC and soft limit are not highly related. The diagram on the left indicates that the statistics spread out and we don't have enough information to say it is a strong pattern. The regression analysis shows 0.41 correlation coefficient which is lower than 0.5. The weighted analysis also tells us TACC and catchment have zero influence on the soft limit. These pieces of evidence prove that soft limit and hard limit may only show the fish stocks. The government may use other techniques to determine fishing protection policies.

# **Appendix**

#### Part one dataset:

https://www.stats.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Environmental-economic-accounts-2019/Download-data/fish-monetary-stock-account-1996-2018.csv

#### Part two dataset:

https://data.mfe.govt.nz/table/53467-performance-of-assessed-fish-stock-in-relation-to-the-soft-limit-200915/

https://data.mfe.govt.nz/table/53469-performance-of-assessed-fish-stock-in-relation-to-the-hard-limit-200915/