

# aspic: Biomass Dynamic Stock Assessment Model

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## Abstract

The **aspic** package is an implementation of the ASPIC biomass dynamic stock assessment model in R using the original **FORTRAN** executable. The package provides tools for checking of diagnostics, projections, running Monte Carlo simulation and conducting Management Strategy Evaluation.

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## 1. Introduction

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ASPIC is an biomass dynamic model, which uses age aggregated data, it can also perform projections for different TACs [and Fs?].

## 2. Inputs

### 2.1. Files

There are six types of files, i.e.

- .bio** bootstrap estimates of historic biomass and harvest rate
- .prj** bootstrapped projections with predicted biomass and harvest rates
- .det** parameter estimates by bootstrap trial
- .inp** the input file with data, starting guesses, and run settings and for output
- .prb** as .bio but with projection results

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> library(FLAdvice)
> ### Assessments
> ## 1 file
> aspic=readASPIC(paste(dirAspic,"/",scen=scen[1],".bio",sep=""))
> class(aspic)
> names(aspic)
> aspic=readASPIC(paste(dirAspic,"/",scen=scen[1],".bio",sep=""),data.frame=T)
> class(aspic)
> names(aspic)
> ## many files
> aspics=readASPIC(dirAspic,scen=scen,type="b",data.frame=T)
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> #### Projections
> ## 1 file
> prj=readASPIC(paste(dirAspic,"/","bumcont1bproj500",".prj",sep=""))
> class(prj)
> names(prj)
> prj=readASPIC(paste(dirAspic,"/","bumcont1bproj500",".prj",sep=""),data.frame=T)
> class(prj)
> names(prj)
> ## many
> prjs=readASPIC(dirAspic,scen=expand.grid(scen=c("bumcont1bproj","bumhighpproj"),TAC=seq(0,6000,500)))
> class(prjs)
> names(prjs)

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## 2.2. R

There is an example text data set

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> dirInp=paste(system.file(package="aspic"),"extdata",sep="/")
> asp=aspic(paste(dirInp,"albn.inp",sep="/"))
> asp=fit(asp)
> key=data.frame(
+   name   =c("Troll Composite CPUE","JLL Old","JLL Modern","CT Old","CT Modern"),
+   series=c("I","I","II","I","II"),
+   flag   =c("OT","JA","JA","CT","CT"),
+   gear    =c("TR","LL","LL","LL","LL"))
> dimnames(key)[[1]]=c("Troll Composite CPUE","JLL Old","JLL Modern","CT Old","CT Modern")
> wts=t(array(c(1,1,1,1,1,
+              1,0,0,0,0,
+              0,1,1,0,0,
+              0,0,0,1,1),c(5,4),list(name=key$name,Scenario=1:4)))

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> cpue=subset(diags(asp),!is.na(obs))[,c("year","name","obs")]
> ggplot(aes(year,obs,group=name,col=name),data=cpue)+
+   geom_point()+
+   stat_smooth()+
+   theme_ms(legend.position="bottom")

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> library(gam)
> gm  =gam(log(obs)~lo(year)+name,data=cpue)
> cpue=data.frame(cpue,gam=predict(gm),gamRsd1=residuals(gm))
> scl =coefficients(gm)[3:9]
> names(scl)=substr(names(scl),5,nchar(names(scl)))
> cpue=transform(cpue,scl=scl[as.character(name)])
> cpue[is.na(cpue$scl),"scl"]=0
> cpue=cbind(cpue,key[cpue$name,]),-2]
> cpue$name=factor(cpue$name, levels=c("Troll Composite CPUE","JLL Old","JLL Modern","CT Old","CT Modern"))
> ggplot(cpue)+ geom_line(aes(year,exp(gam)),col="red") +
+   geom_smooth(aes(year,obs),se=FALSE) +
+   geom_point(aes(year,obs,col=name)) +
+   facet_wrap(~name,ncol=1,scale="free_y") +
+   theme_ms(legend.position="none") +
+   xlab("Year") + ylab("Index")

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> uMat=ddply(cpue,(name),transform, obs=stdz(obs))
> uMat=cast(uMat,year~name,value="obs")
> uMat=uMat[apply(uMat,1,function(x) !all(is.na(x))),]
> pM=plotmatrix(uMat[,-1])
> pM$layers[[2]]=NULL
> mns=ddply(subset(pM$data,!is.na(x) & !is.na(y)),.(xvar,yvar), function(x) mean(x$y,na.rm=T))
> pM+geom_hline(aes(yintercept=V1),data=mns,col="red") +
+   geom_smooth(method="lm",se=F) +
+   theme(legend.position="bottom") +
+   xlab("Index")+ylab("Index")

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> cr=cor(uMat[, -1], use="pairwise.complete.obs")
> dimnames(cr)=list(gsub("_", " ", names(uMat)[-1]), gsub("_", " ", names(uMat)[-1]))
> cr[is.na(cr)]=0
> corrplot(cr, diag=F, order="hclust", addrect=2) +
+       theme(legend.position="bottom")

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### 3. Assessment

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> asp=fit(asp)

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> plot(asp)

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### 4. Diagnostics

### 5. Reference Points

### 6. Fitting

### 7. Plotting

There are various standard plots, i.e. for fitted time series, reference points and diagnostics. Also using `ggplot2` a variety of ad-hoc plots can be produced as required and the packages **diags** and **kobe** can be used for diagnostics and providing plots in Kobe II advice framework.

## 7.1. CPUE

## 7.2. Diagnostics

*Residuals*

*Likelihood Profiling*

# 8. Uncertainty

## 8.1. Bootstrapping

# 9. Management Procedure

## 9.1. Reference points

## 9.2. Projections

## 9.3. Harvest Control Rules

# 10. Advice

## 10.1. Kobe Framework

## 11. MSE

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