#### ABM and environmental policy

A mini-Poseidon model in NetLogo

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# What's the plan?

- ► A little bit about the **Poseidon** fisheries ABM
- ► A whole lot about building **Poseidon in NetLogo!**

## Why model fisheries?

- ▶ It's big!
  - ▶ 96.4 million tonnes of fish caught in 2018
  - employing 59.51 million people
  - ▶ 17% of total animal protein consumed globally
- It's in trouble!
  - ▶ 34.2% of stocks are overfished

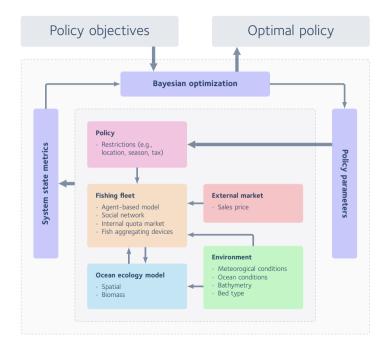
#### Why use ABM to do it?

- ➤ They're inherently spatial;
- they involve complex interactions,
- between smart, adaptive agents.

#### **Poseidon**



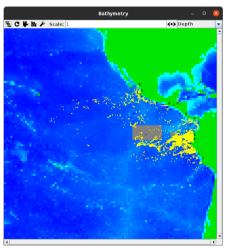
Source: Ricardo André Frantz, https://w.wiki/wzx



#### Poseidon applications

- ► Conceptual models
- ▶ US West Coast Groundfish
- ► Indonesian Deep water snapper grouper fishery
- ► Eastern Pacific Tuna Management





# What can we put in a minimal fisheries model?

#### Agents:

- ► A port,
- ▶ fishers,
- ▶ and fish!



Source: https://www.tourismeilesdelamadeleine.com/fr/decouvrir-les-iles/les-iles/ile-de-grande-entree

#### Some policy to test:

► The size of a marine protected area (MPA)

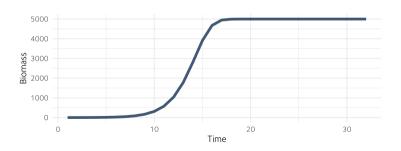
# Fisher agents in Poseidon use the "Explore, exploit, imitate" behaviour algorithm:

- ► Should I go exploring?
  - ► If yes, pick a random spot not too far from my favourite spot (EXPLORE)
  - ► If not, pick a friend and ask: is my favourite spot better than my friend's favourite spot?
    - ▶ If it is, go to my favourite spot (EXPLOIT)
    - ▶ If it isn't, go to my friend's favourite spot (IMITATE)
- ► If the spot I went to was better than my favourite spot, it becomes my new favourite!

# A bit of biology

We do not simulate individual fish. We keep track of the total biomass and apply yearly **logistic growth**.

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = rP\left(1 - \frac{P}{K}\right)$$





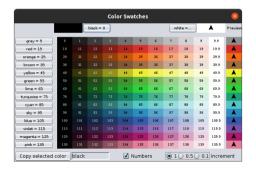
Pierre-François Verhulst (1804–1849). Source: https://w.wiki/x2o.

# Get the model skeleton from GitHub

```
https://github.com/
nicolaspayette/mini-poseidon
```

#### Recoloring patches

```
to recolor-patches
  ask patches [
    set pcolor scale-color blue (biomass / 2) carrying-capacity 0
  ]
end
```



#### Explore, exploit, imitate...

```
to pick-destination ; fisher procedure
  ifelse random-float 1 < exploration-probability [
    : explore:
    let r 1 + random-poisson exploration-radius
    set trip-destination [ one-of fishable-patches in-radius r ] of favourite-destination
    let other-fisher one-of other fishers
    let their-profits [ profits-at-favourite-destination ] of other-fisher
    ifelse profits-at-favourite-destination >= their-profits [
      : exploit:
      set trip-destination favourite-destination
      : imitate
      set trip-destination [ favourite-destination ] of other-fisher
  set current-destination trip-destination
end
```

#### Let's go!

```
to go
  ask fishers [
    set trip-costs trip-costs + hourly-costs
    ifelse patch-here = current-destination [
      ifelse any? ports-here [ dock ] [ fish ]
      face current-destination
      forward speed
  update-biology
  tick
end
```

#### Fishing!

```
to fish; fisher procedure
  set pcolor red
  let biomass-caught biomass * catchability
  set biomass biomass - biomass-caught
  set biomass-in-hold biomass-in-hold + biomass-caught
  set current-destination [ patch-here ] of one-of ports
end
```

# Docking at the port

```
to dock : fisher procedure
  let revenues biomass-in-hold * price-of-fish
  set biomass-in-hold 0
 let profits revenues - trip-costs
 set trip-costs 0
 set bank-balance bank-balance + profits
  (ifelse
    trip-destination = favourite-destination [
      set profits-at-favourite-destination profits
    profits > profits-at-favourite-destination [
      set favourite-destination trip-destination
      set profits-at-favourite-destination profits
 pick-destination
end
```

#### Updating the biology

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = rP\left(1 - \frac{P}{K}\right)$$

```
to update-biology
  diffuse biomass diffusion-rate
  recolor-patches
  if ticks mod (15 * 24) = 0 [ ; every 15 days
    ask patches [
      set biomass biomass + (
         growth-rate * biomass * (1 - (biomass / carrying-capacity))
    )
  ]
}
```

## Adding a protected area after one year

```
to setup-mpa
  set-default-shape xs "x"
  ask patches with [
    pxcor >= min-mpa-x and
    pxcor <= max-mpa-x and
    pycor >= min-mpa-v and
    pycor <= max-mpa-y and
    not any? ports-here
    sprout-xs 1 [ set color [ 0 0 0 50 ] ]
  set fishable-patches fishable-patches with [ not any? xs-here ]
end
```

# Modify go

```
to go
  if ticks = 365 * 24 [ setup-mpa ]
  ask fishers [
    set trip-costs trip-costs + hourly-costs
    ifelse patch-here = current-destination [
      ifelse any? ports-here [ dock ] [ fish ]
      face current-destination
      forward speed
  update-biology
  tick
end
```

# Modify dock

```
to dock : fisher procedure
 let revenues biomass-in-hold * price-of-fish
  set biomass-in-hold 0
  let profits revenues - trip-costs
  set trip-costs 0
  set bank-balance bank-balance + profits
  (ifelse
    trip-destination = favourite-destination [
      set profits-at-favourite-destination profits
    profits > profits-at-favourite-destination [
      set favourite-destination trip-destination
      set profits-at-favourite-destination profits
  if [ any? xs-here ] of favourite-destination [
    set favourite-destination min-one-of fishable-patches [
      distance [ favourite-destination ] of myself
  pick-destination
end
```

#### **Scenario**

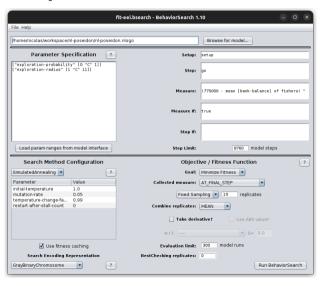
We have observed the real-world fishery for one year.

Fishers ended up with a mean bank balance of £775,000.

We want to:

- ▶ Use this information to estimate the EEI algorithm parameters.
- ➤ Simulate the fishery for three more years under the "business as usual" scenario.
- ► Figure out the best location for an MPA.

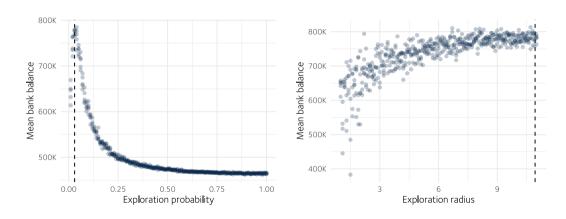
#### **Estimating EEI parameters**



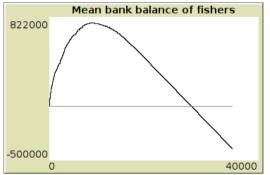
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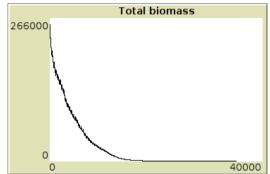
```
to load-best [ prefix ]
  let rows csv:from-file word prefix ".finalCheckedBests.csv"
  let headers item 0 rows
  let data first sort-by [ [r1 r2] ->
    last r1 > last r2
  l but-first rows
  foreach range length headers [ i ->
    if last item i headers = "*" [
      let param but-last item i headers
      let value precision item i data 3
      run (word "set " param " " value)
end
```

# Testing sensititivy of EEI parameters

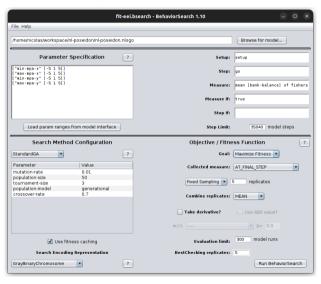


# Not looking good for the fishery...

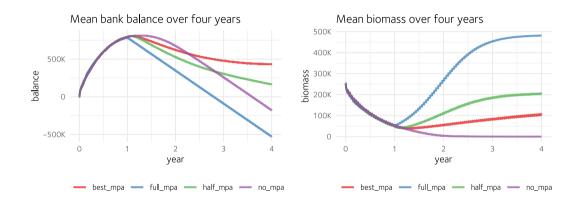




## Searching for the optimal MPA



## Comparing four different scenarios



#### Figuring out the bottlenecks in our model

```
to profile
  setup
  profiler:start
  repeat 365 * 24 * 4 [ go ]
  profiler:stop
  print profiler:report
  csv:to-file "profiler data.csv" profiler:data
  profiler:reset
end
```