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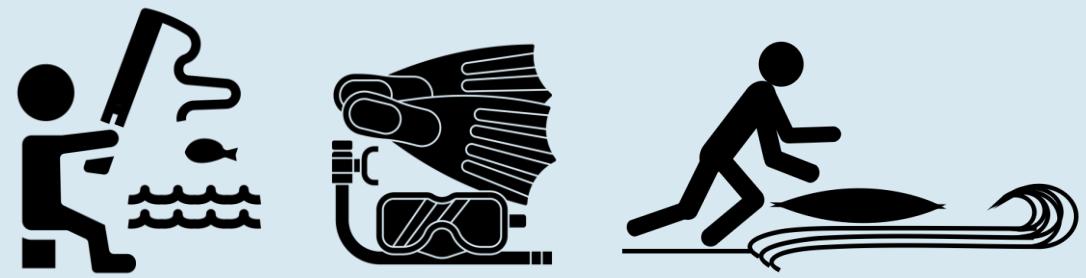
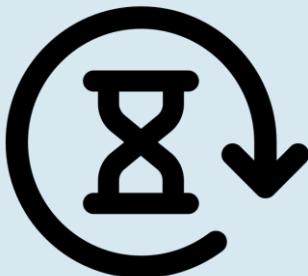
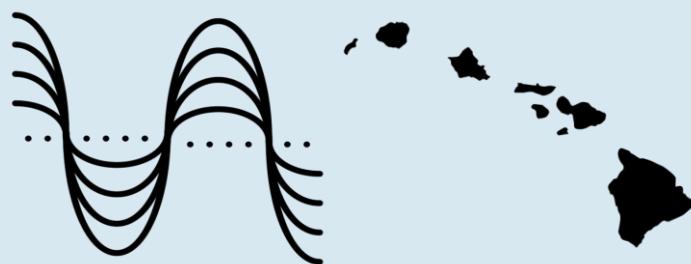
# Ecosystem Modeling with Atlantis

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# PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Produce high-resolution  
oceanographic  
projections

Assess flow of goods  
and services &  
vulnerabilities



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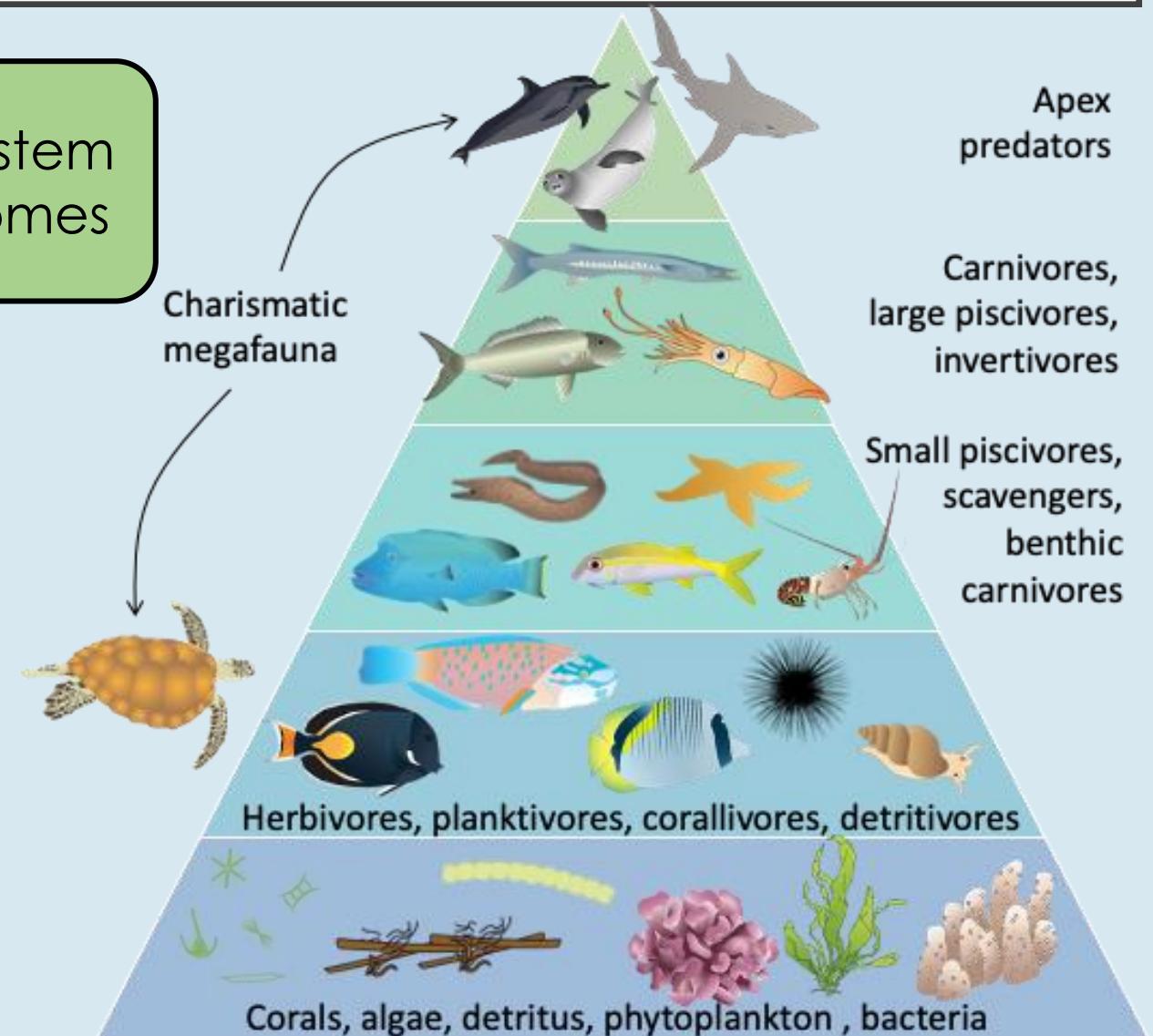
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Climate &  
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- Three climate scenarios
  - SSP1-2.6, SSP2-4.5, and SSP3-7.0
- Food-web based functional groups
  - Feeding and habitat
  - Important fish, coral, and megafauna species



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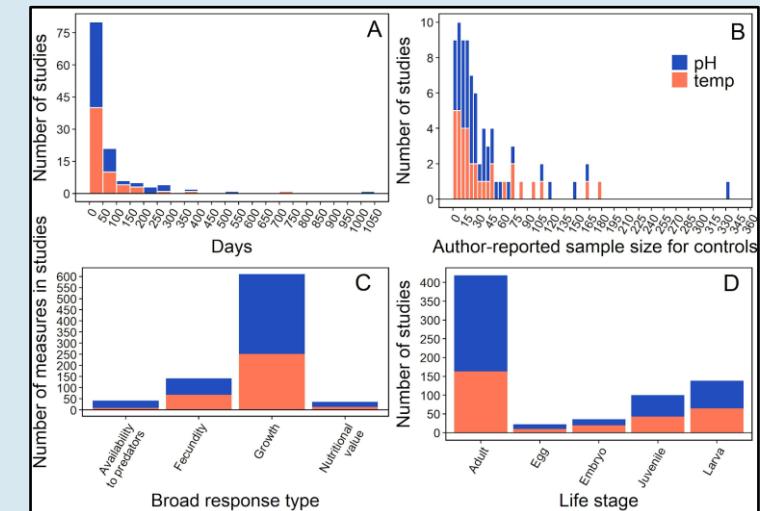
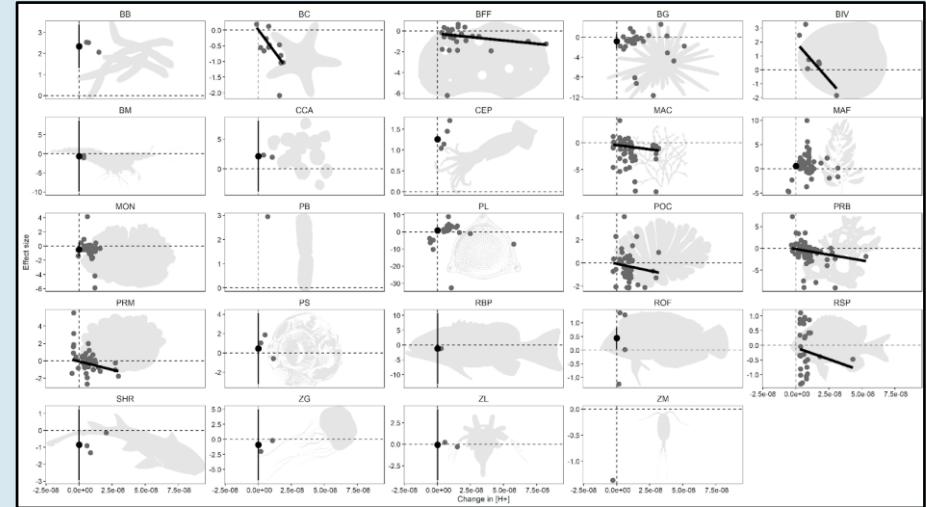
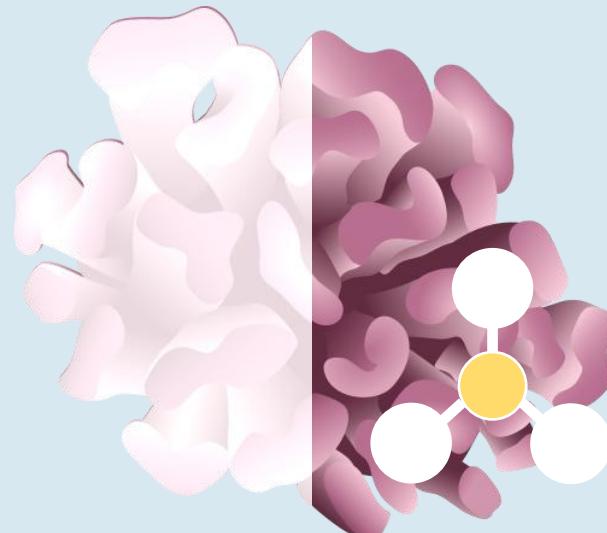
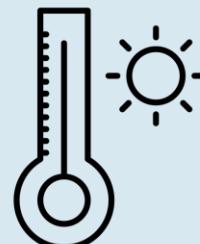
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Bleaching threshold: 28°C

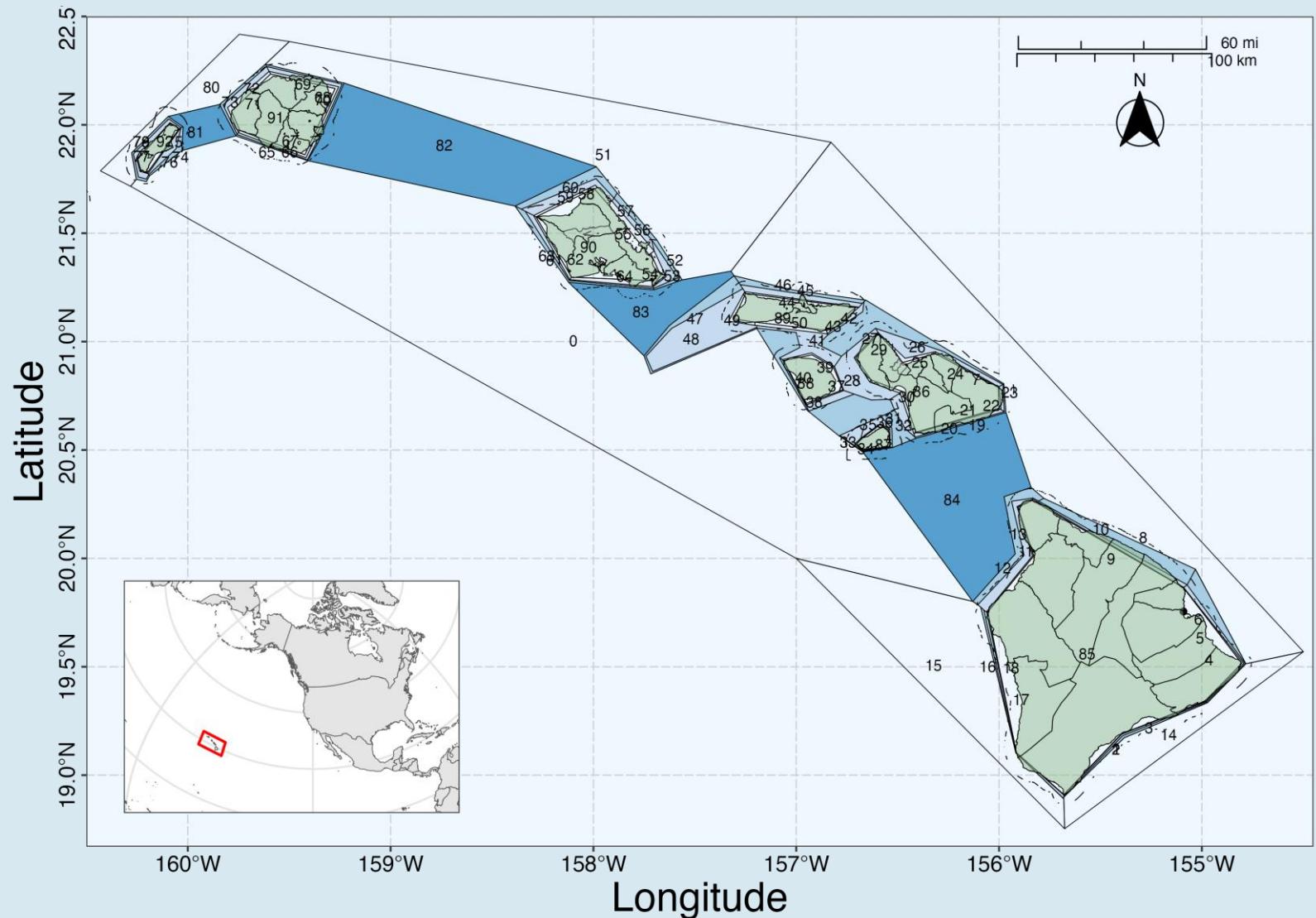
0.2°C shift per decade



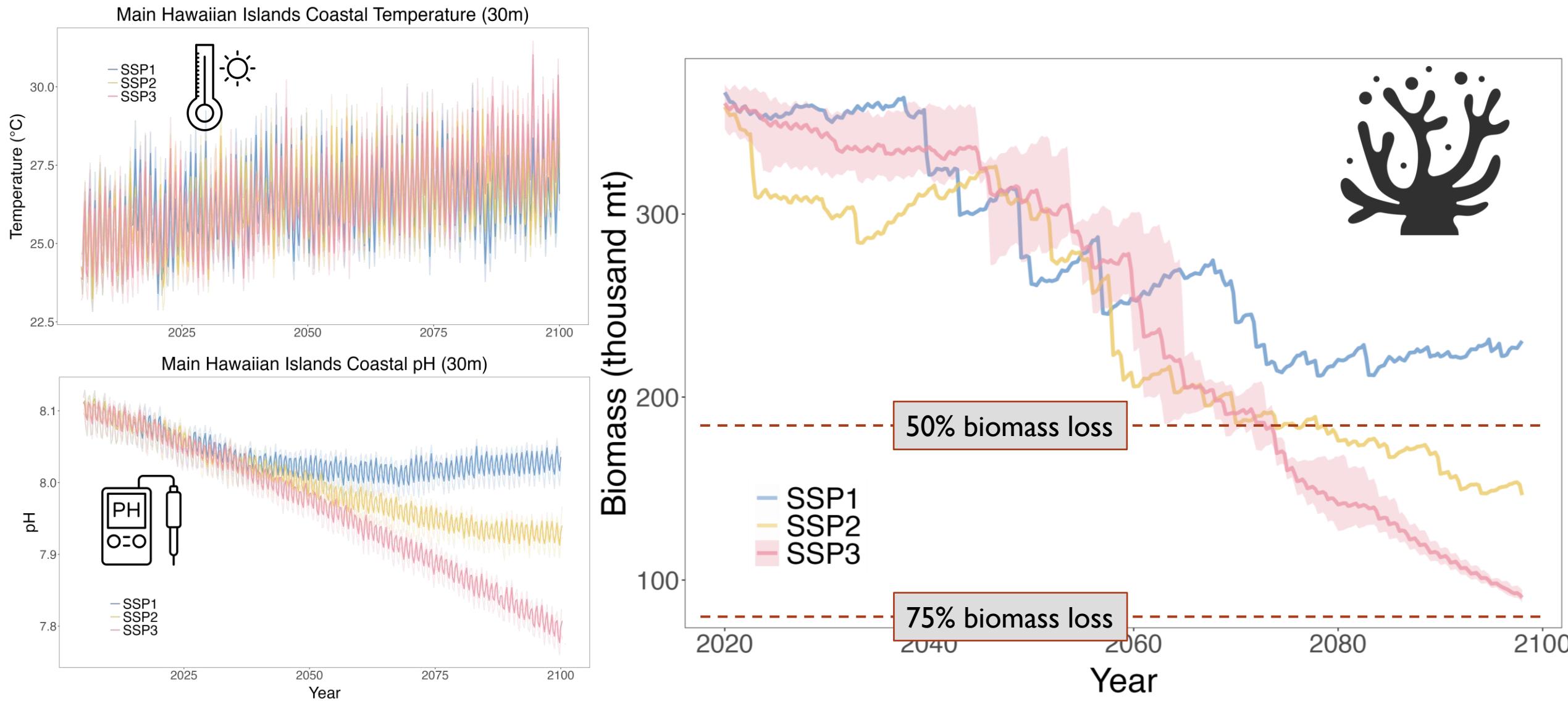
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## Model geometry

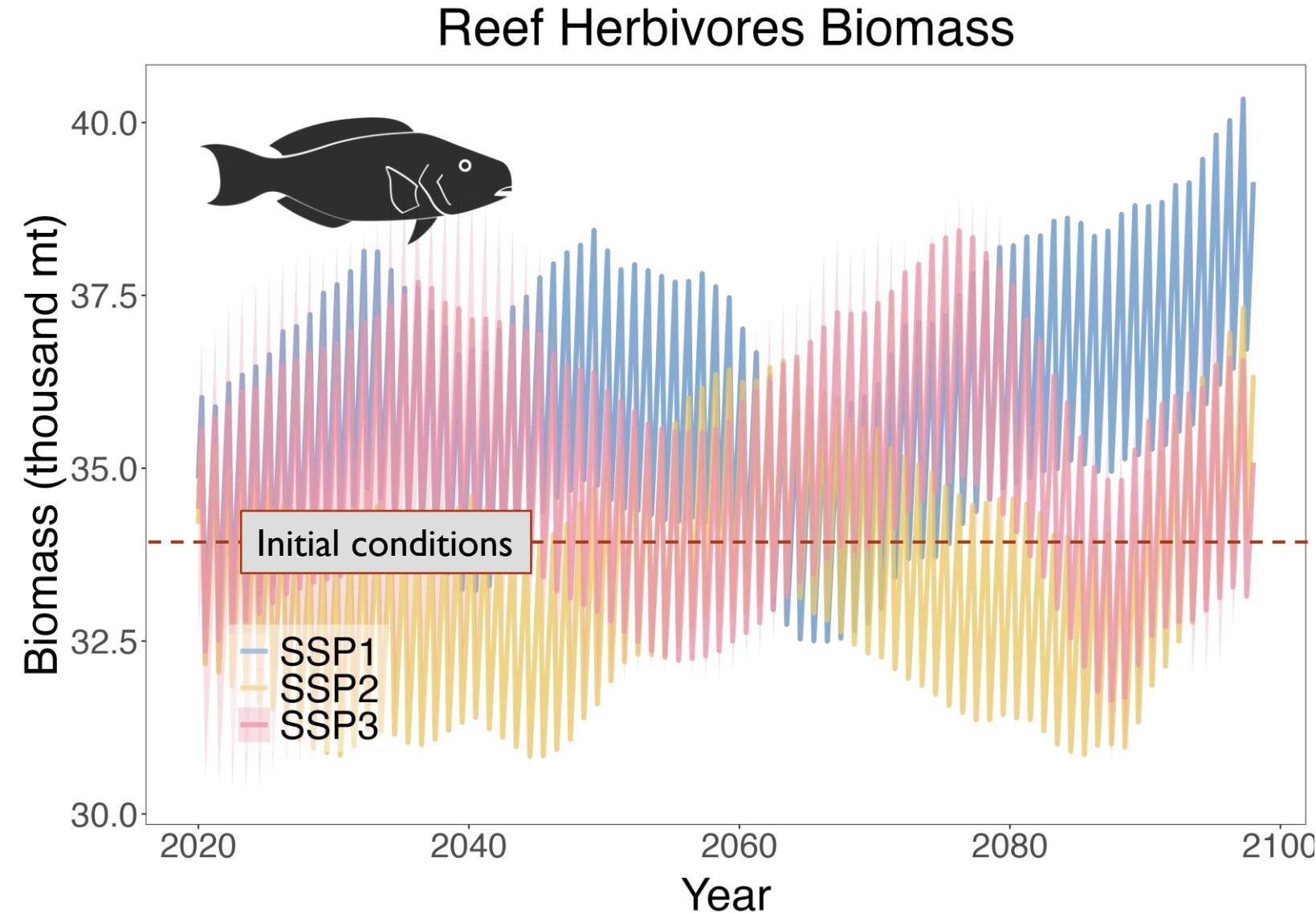
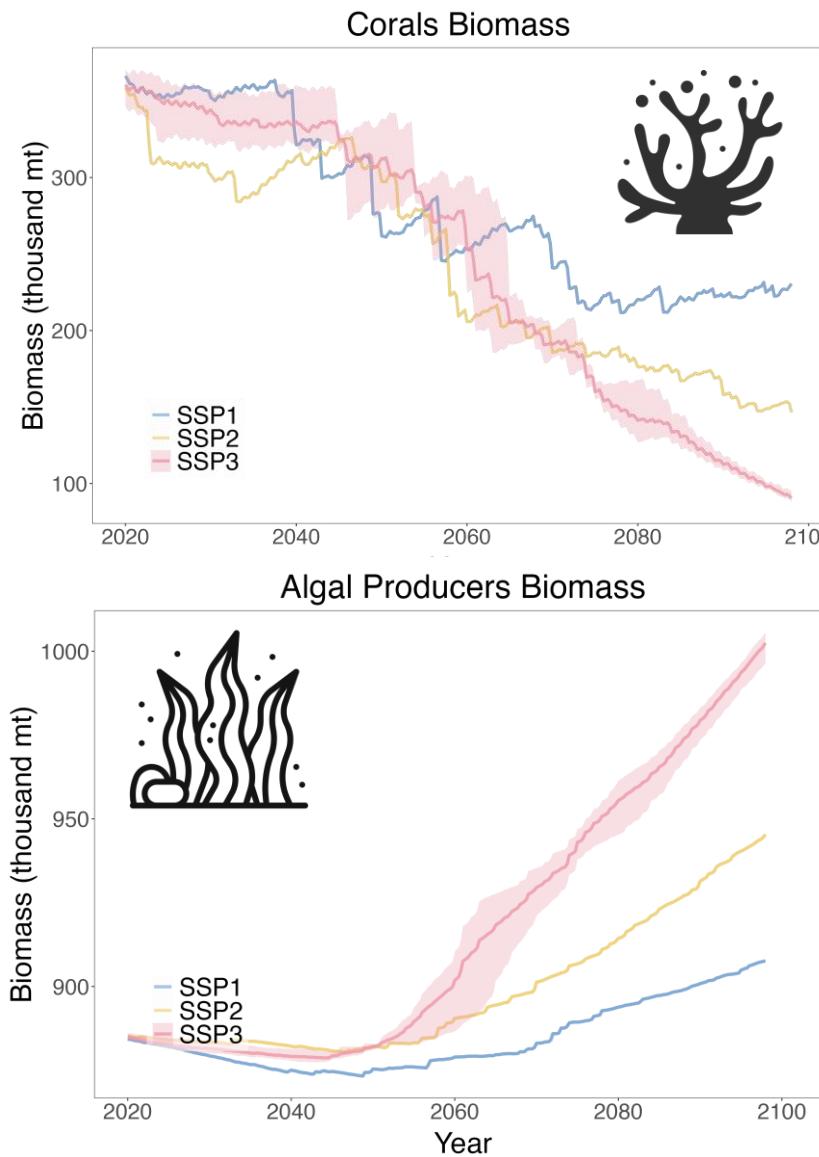
- 93 boxes(cells)
  - 79 dynamic boxes
  - 14 non-dynamic
  - 8 island
  - 6 boundary
- 4 depth layers
  - 30 m
  - 150 m
  - 400 m
  - sediment



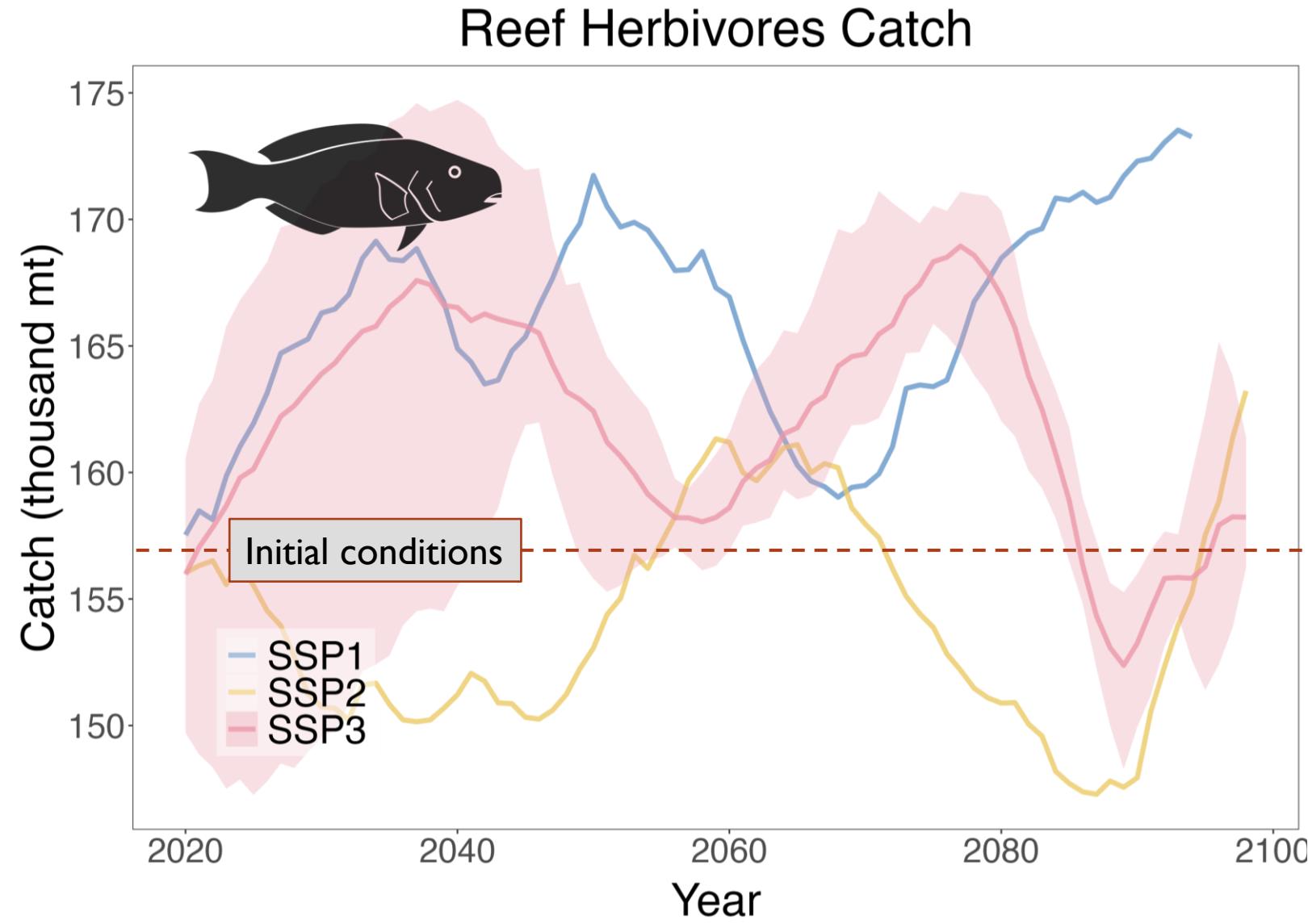
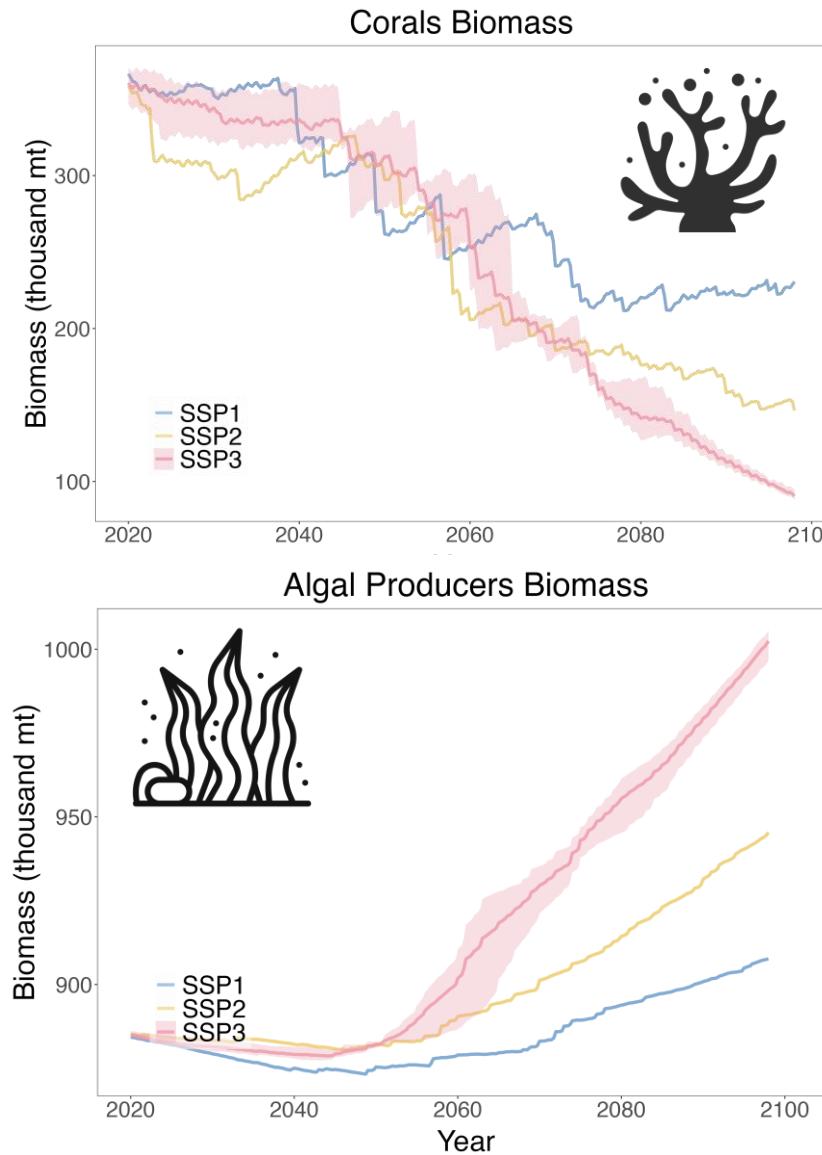
# RESULTS: CORALS



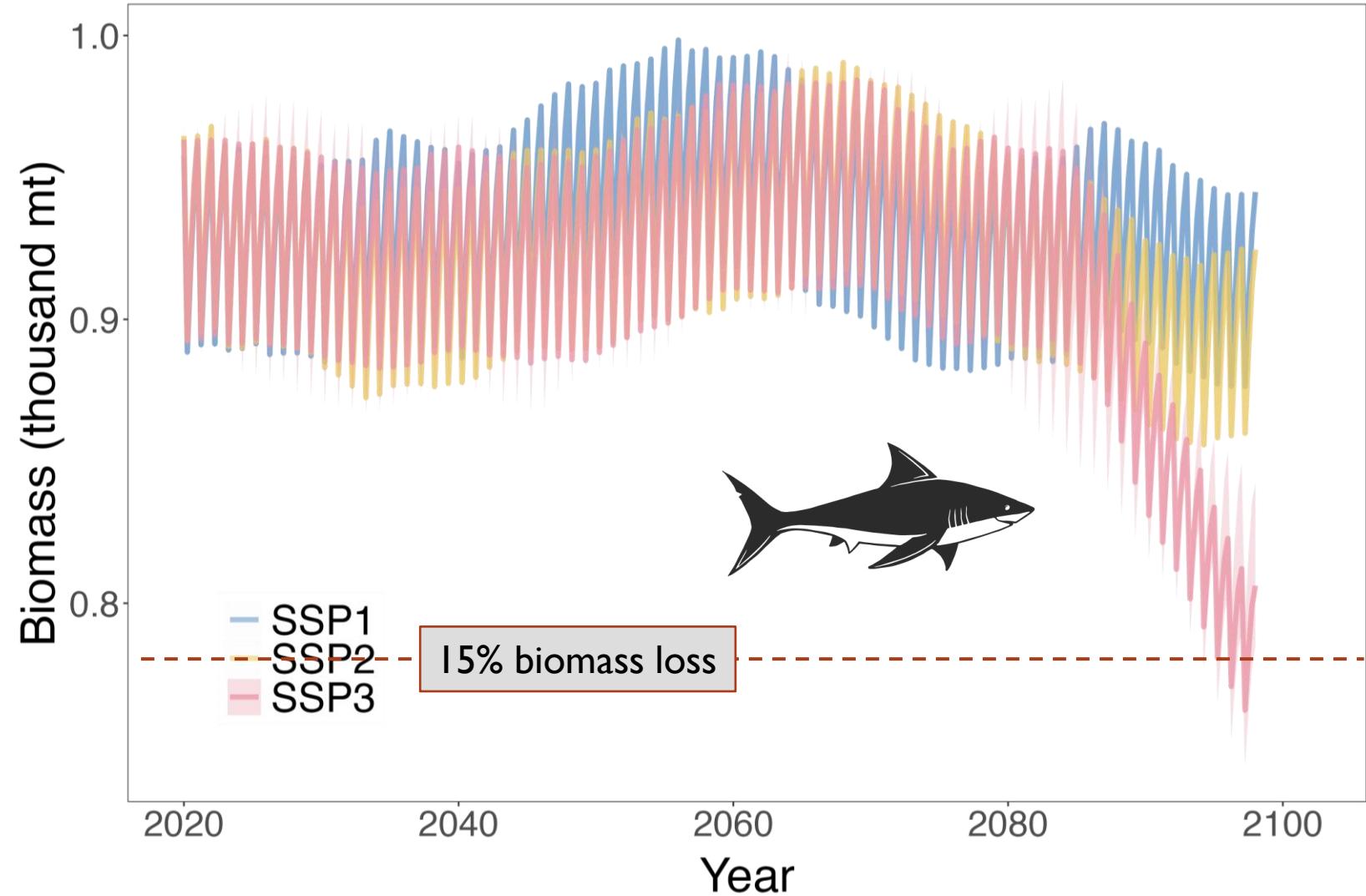
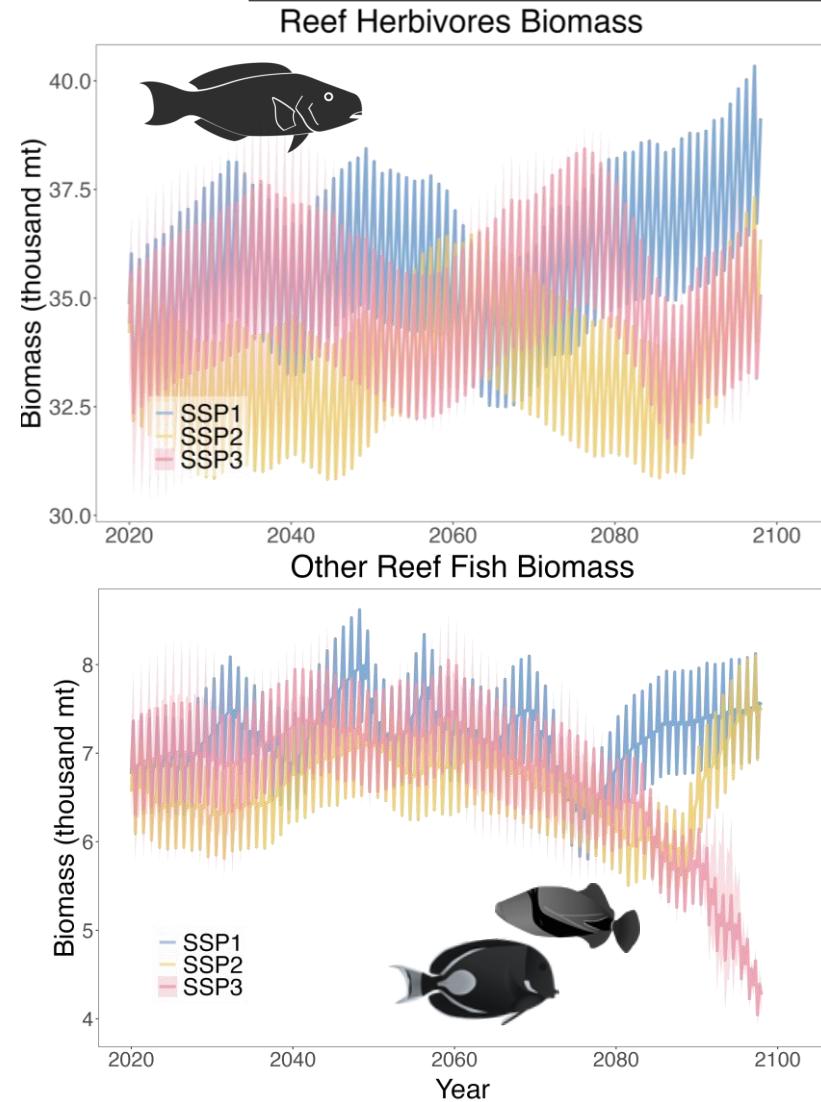
# RESULTS: REEF HERBIVORES



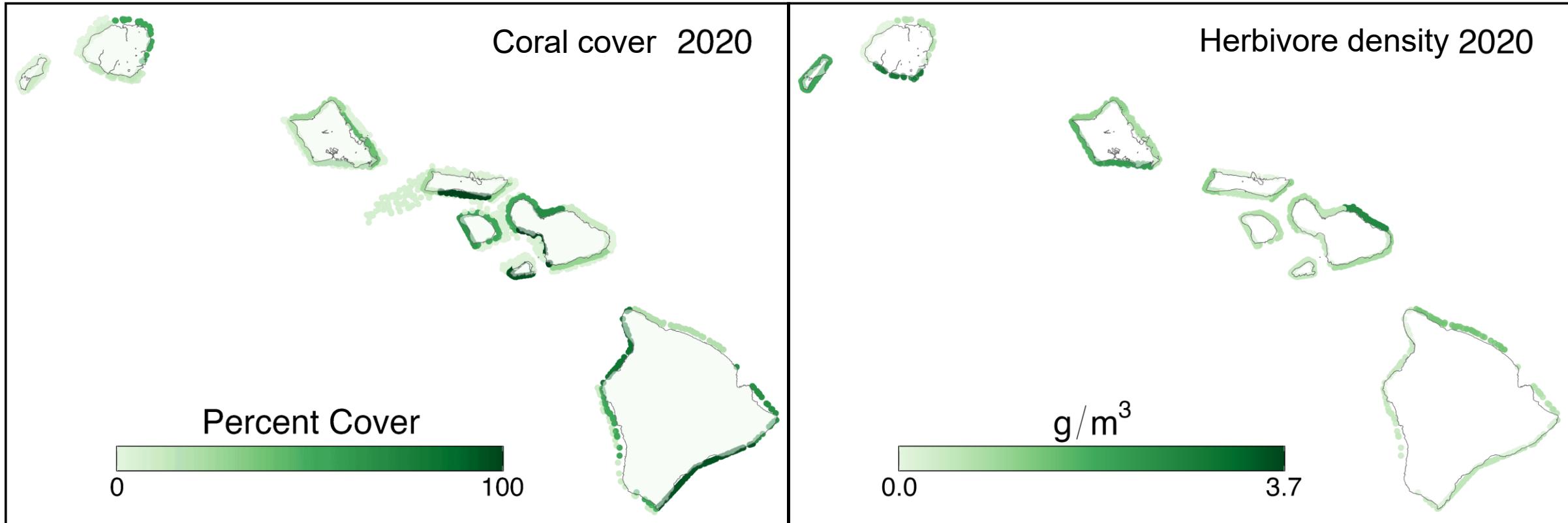
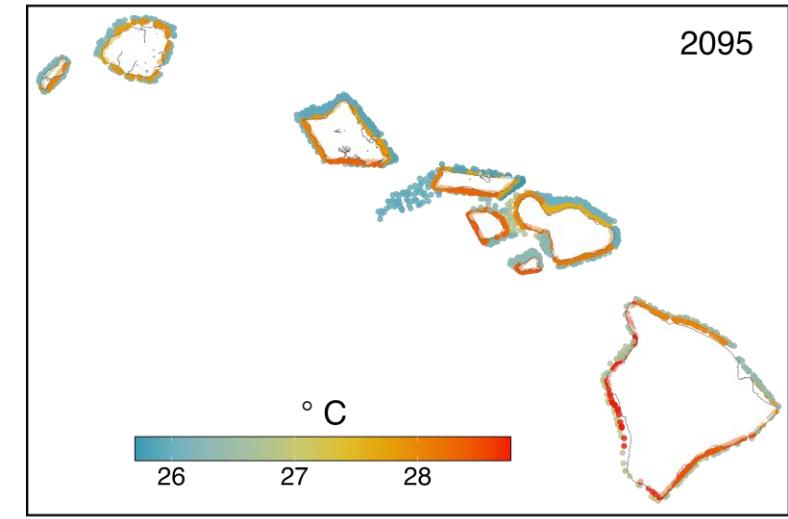
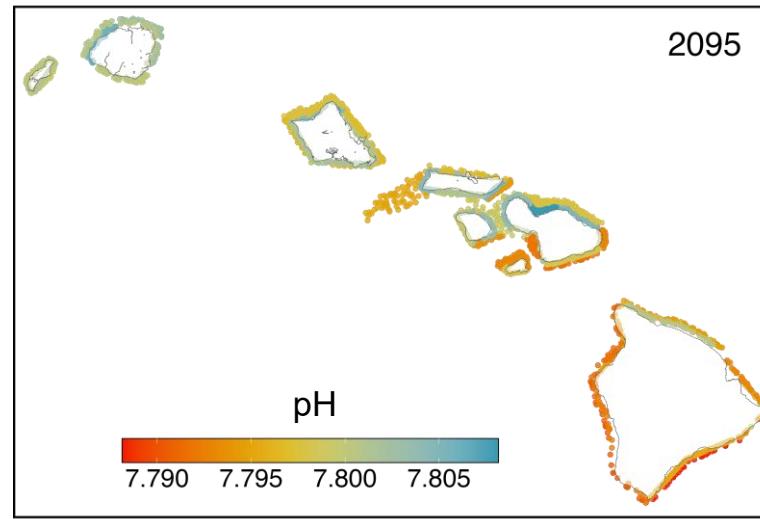
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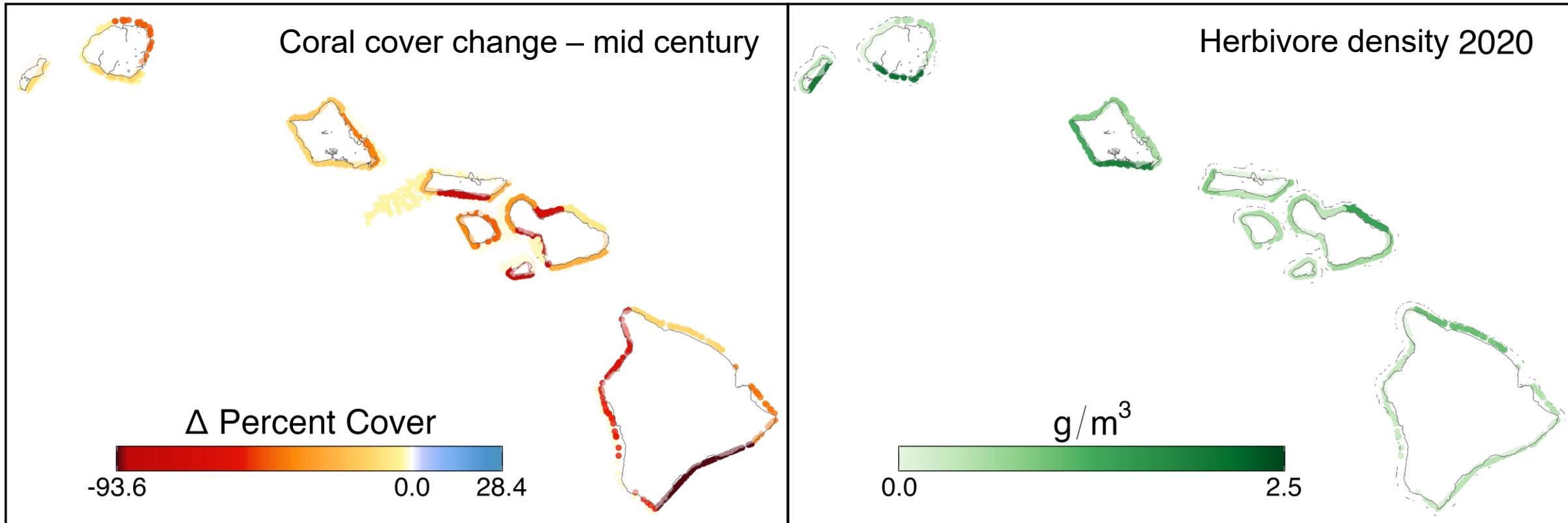
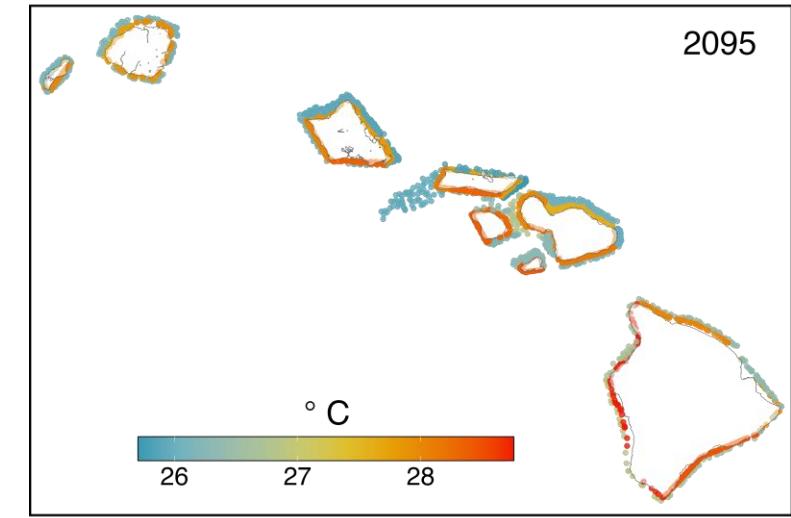
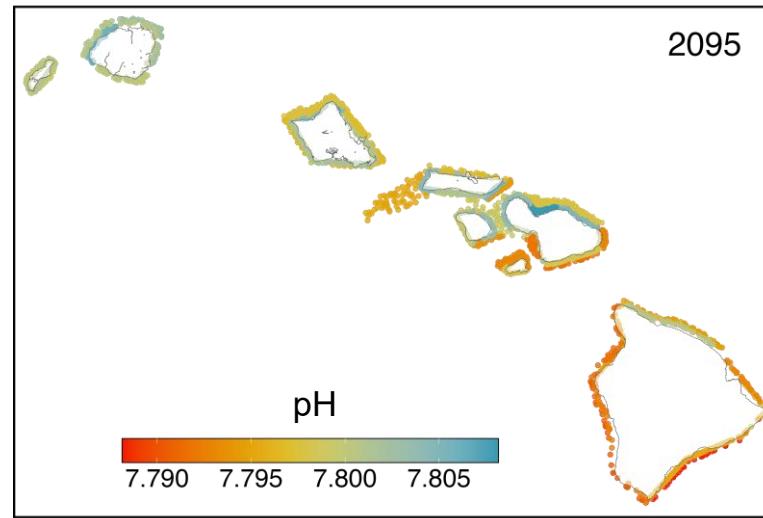
# RESULTS: APEX PREDATORS



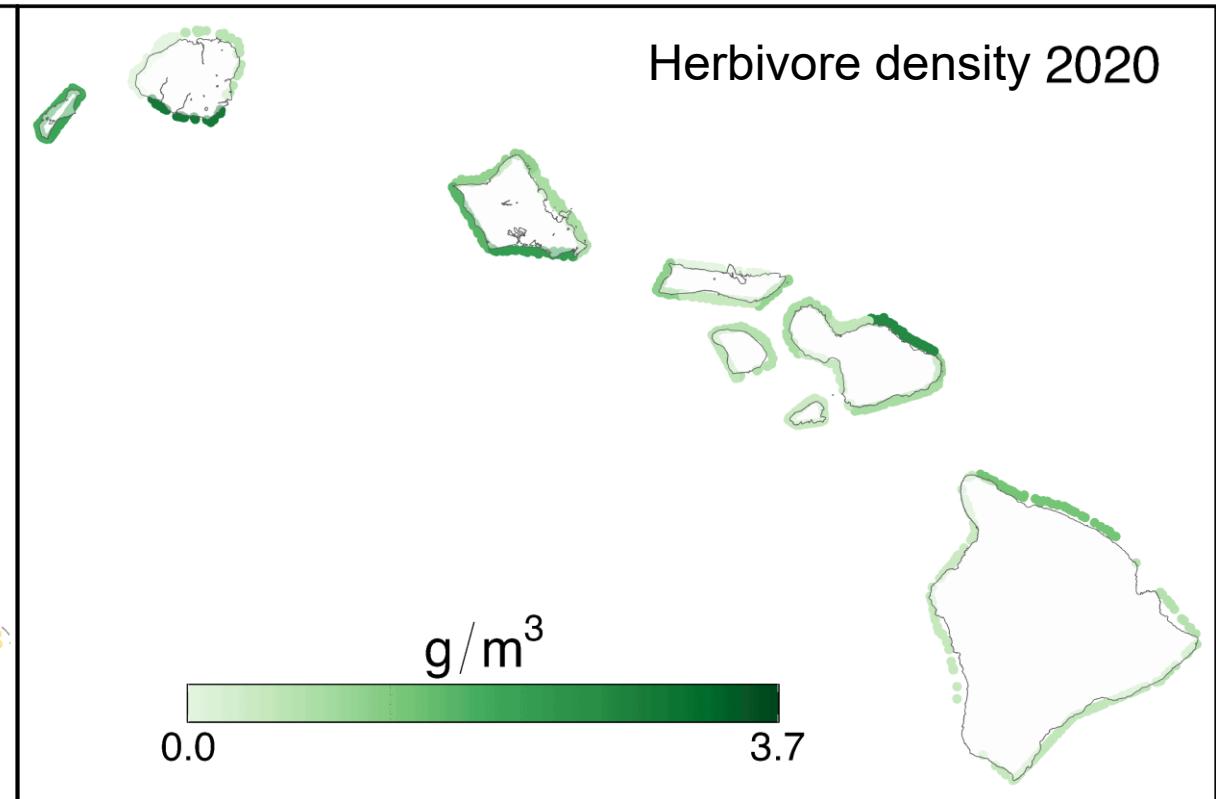
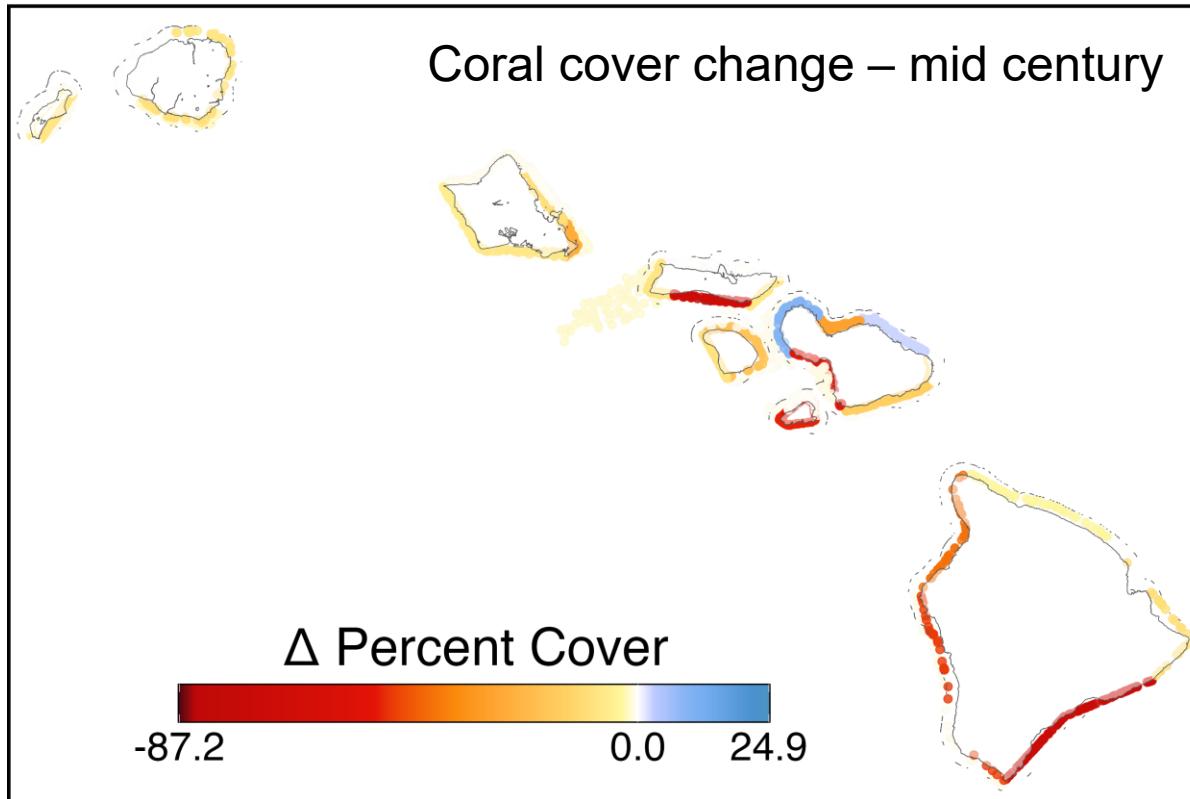
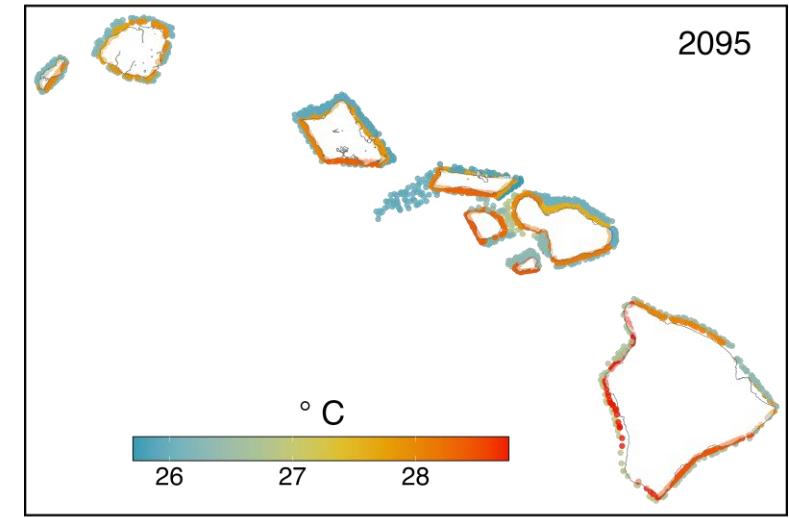
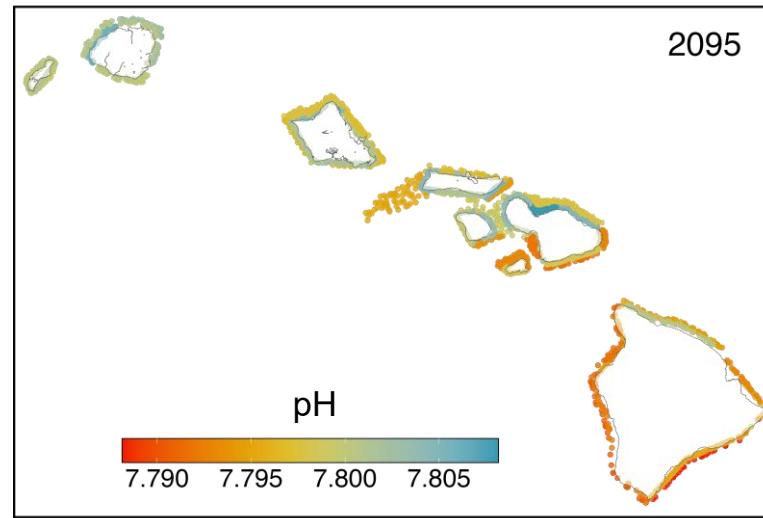
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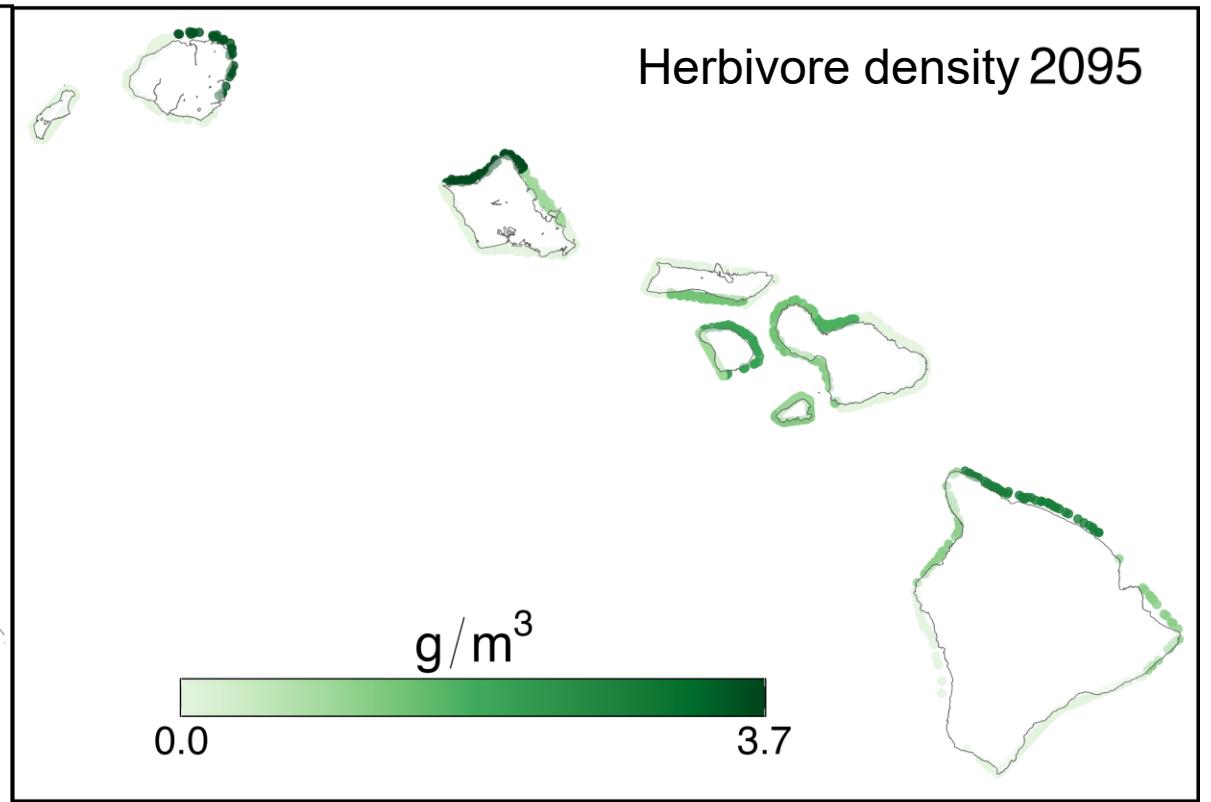
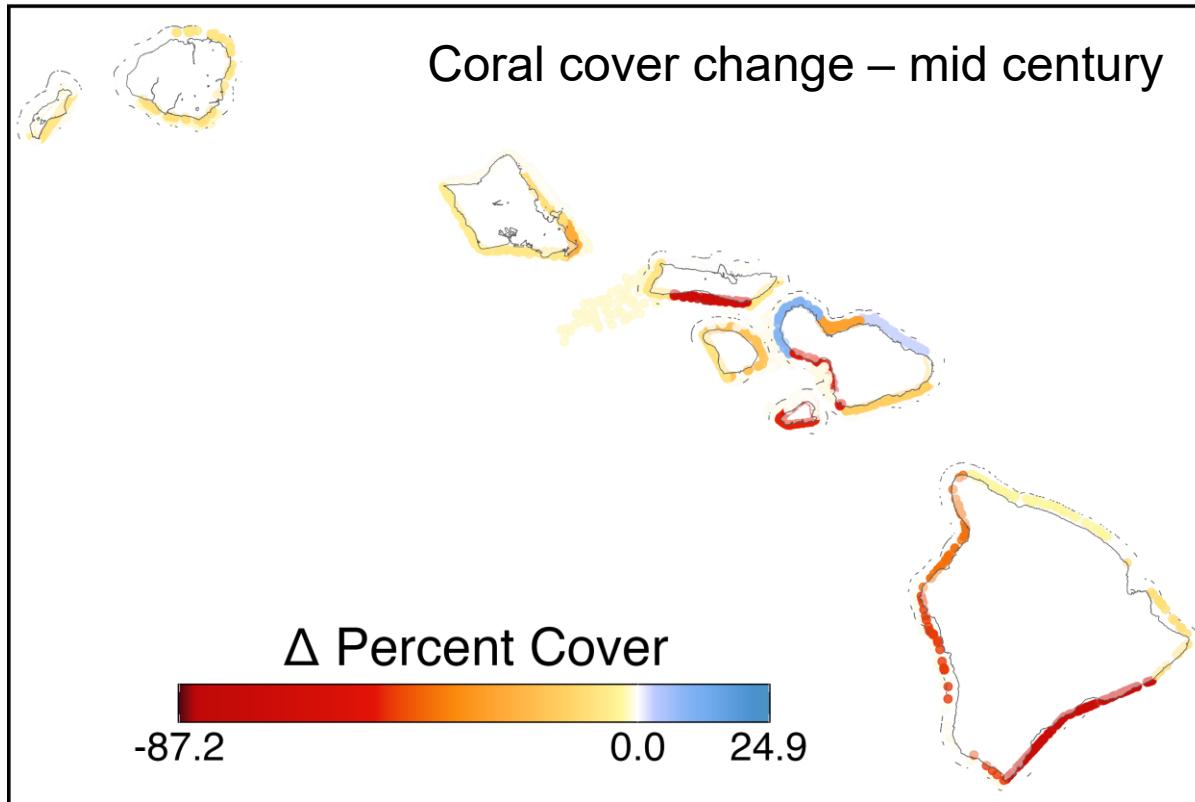
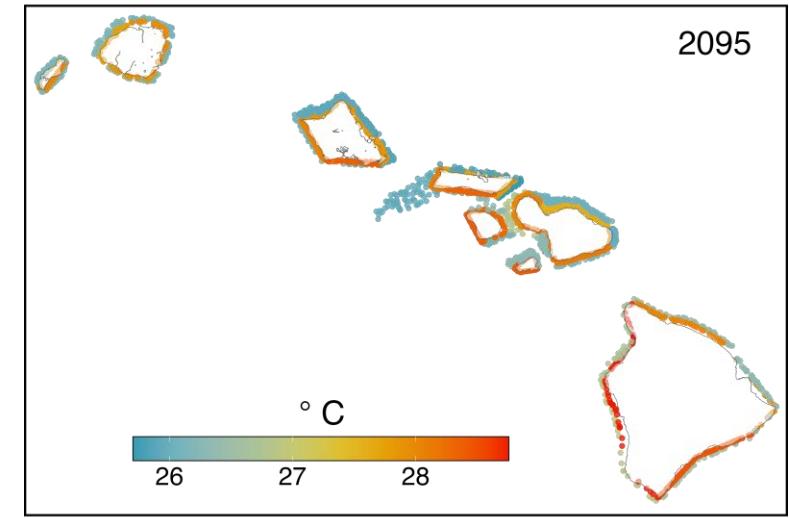
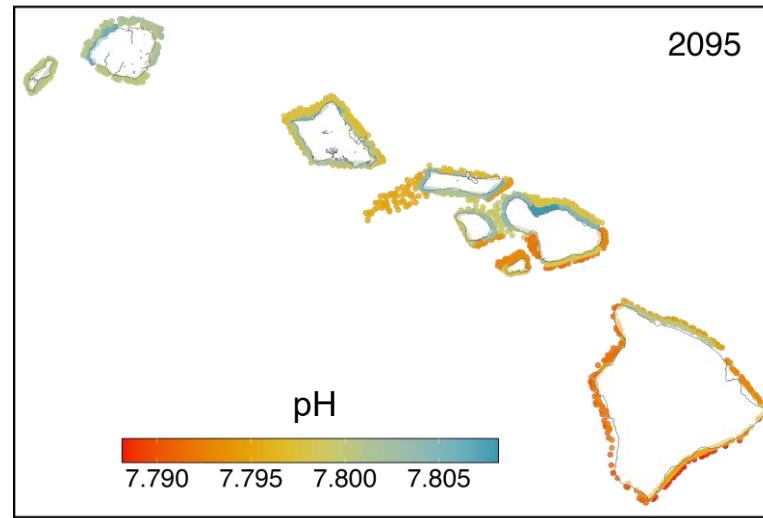
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## SUMMARY

- Coral decline dependent on climate intensity
- Herbivores highest in SSP1
- Predators lowest in SSP3
- Spatial variability follows climate trends