

# Multispecies modelling: estimation of reference points and assessment of joint HCRs that take into consideration ecological interactions

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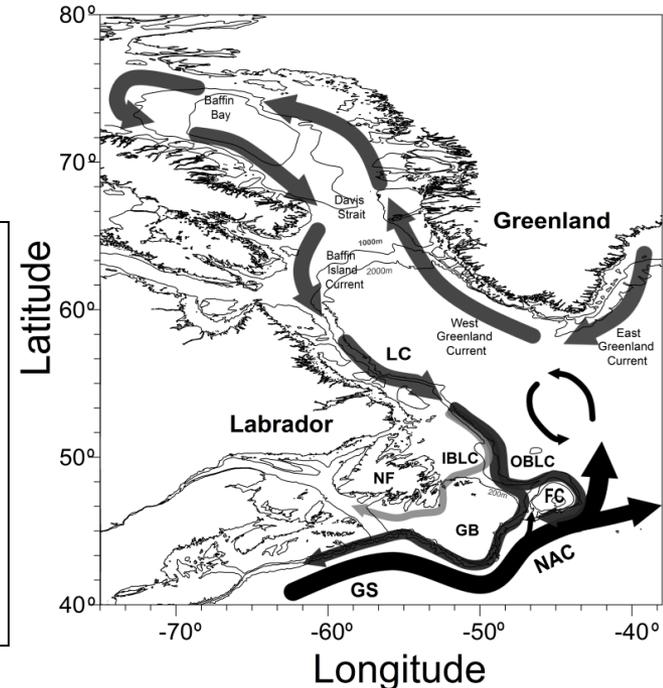
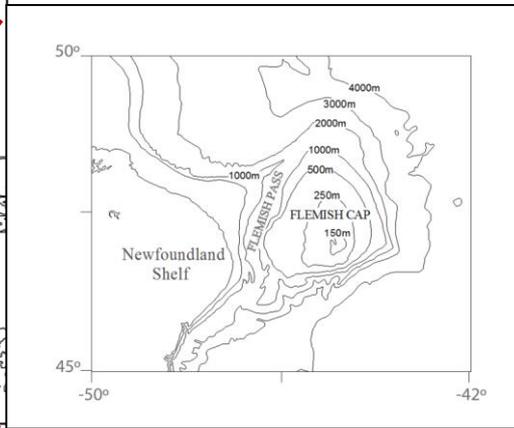
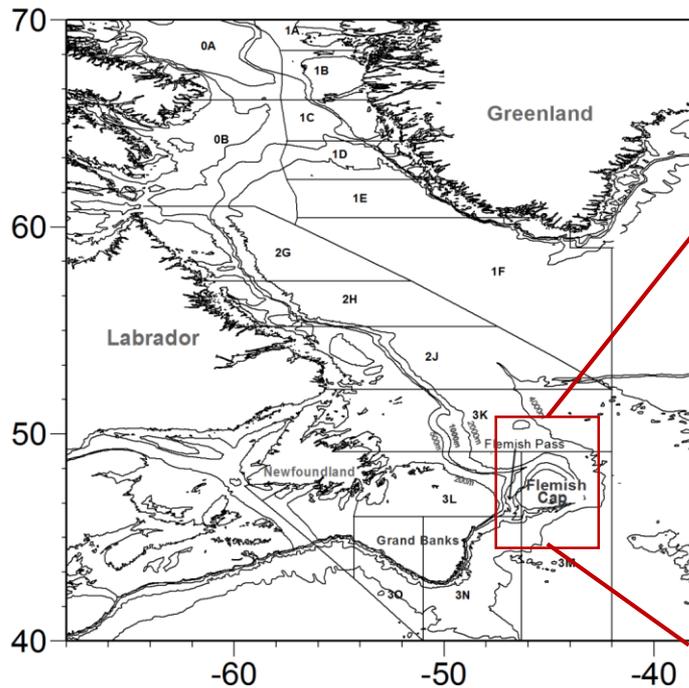
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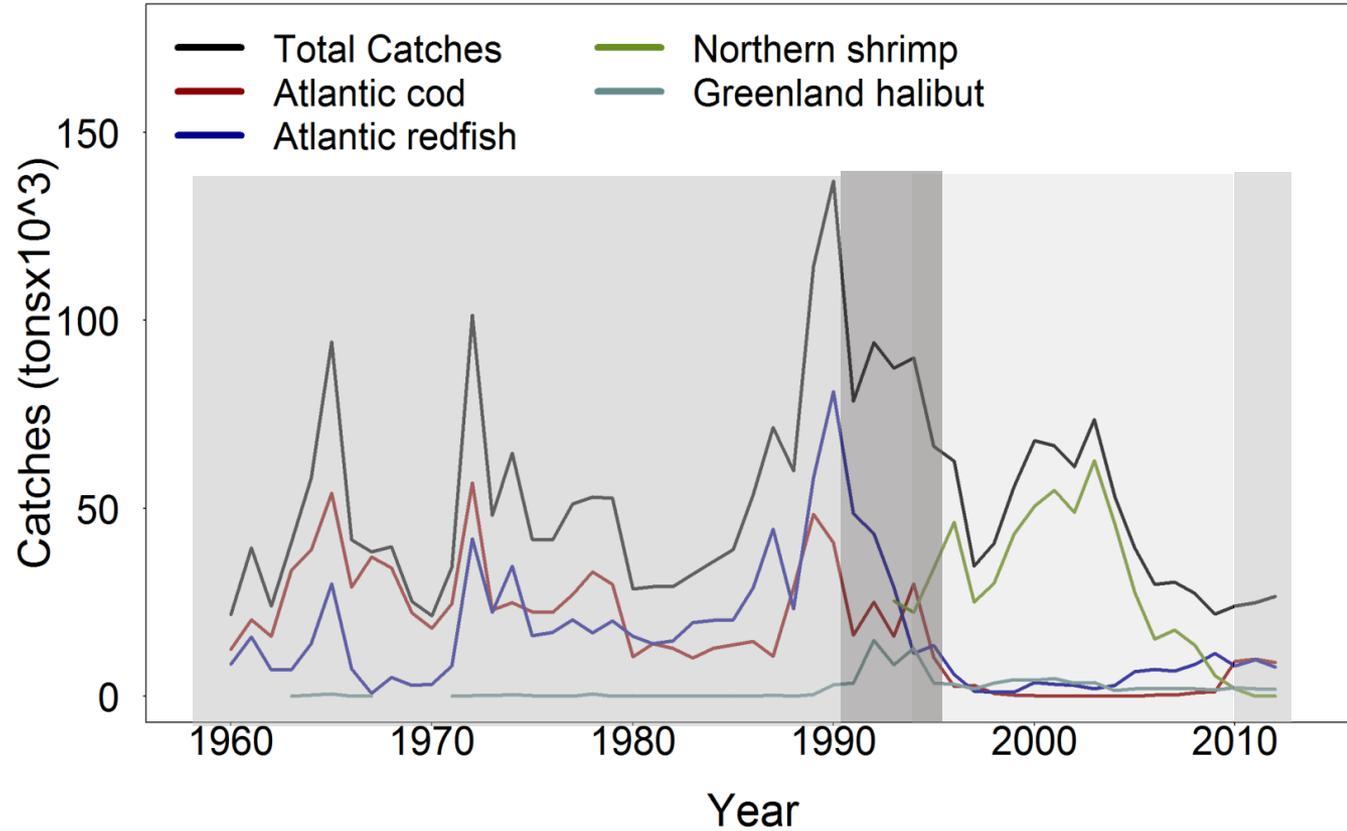
# Flemish Cap, NAFO área 3M

## Location and isolation

- NAFO area 3M
- Deep water mountain
- Flemish Pass
- System of currents



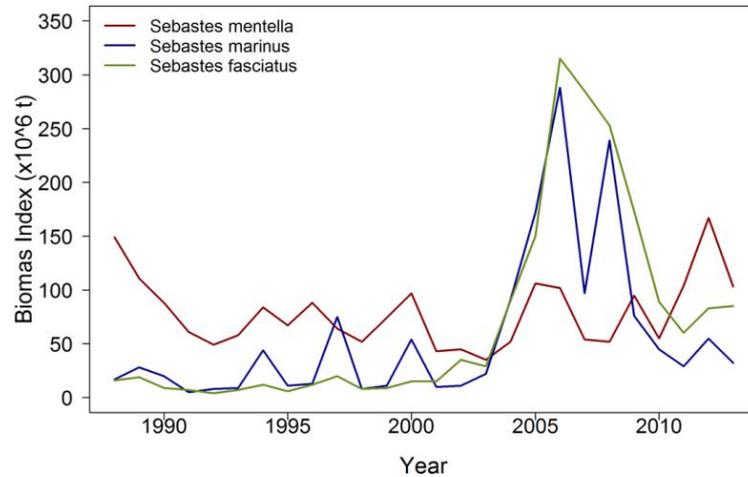
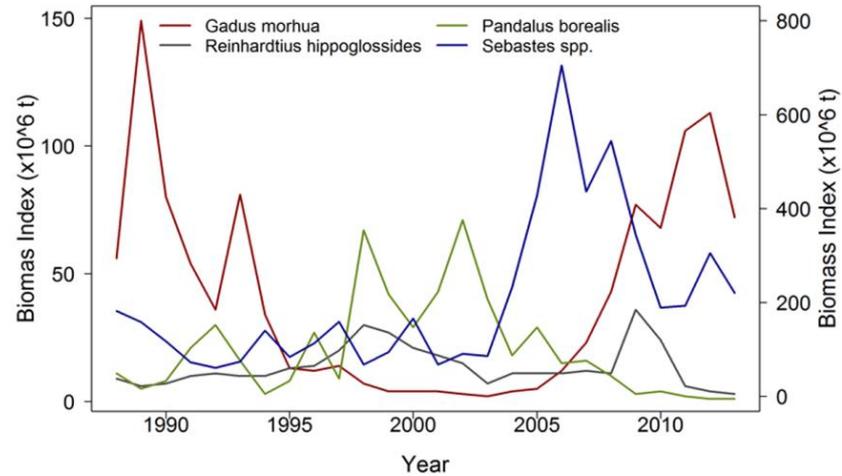
# Fishing history



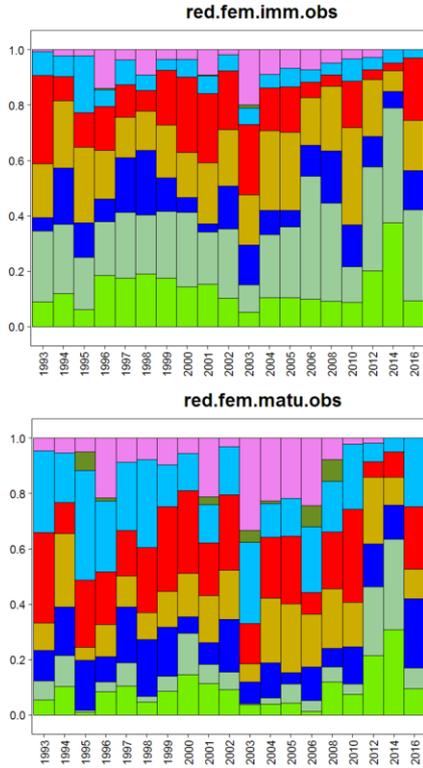
- 1960-early 1990s: cod and redfish
- Mid 1990s: transition.
- Late 1990s-2010: shrimp and Greenland halibut
- 2010-2018: cod and redfish

# Survey index

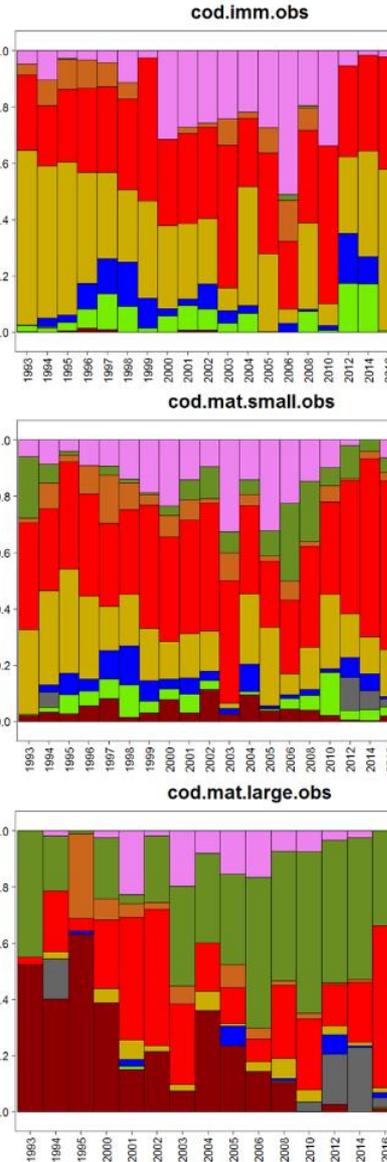
## Cod, redfish and shrimp



# Diet composition



chaetognata  
copepoda  
euphausiacea  
hyperidea  
otherfood  
pelagmictof  
redfish  
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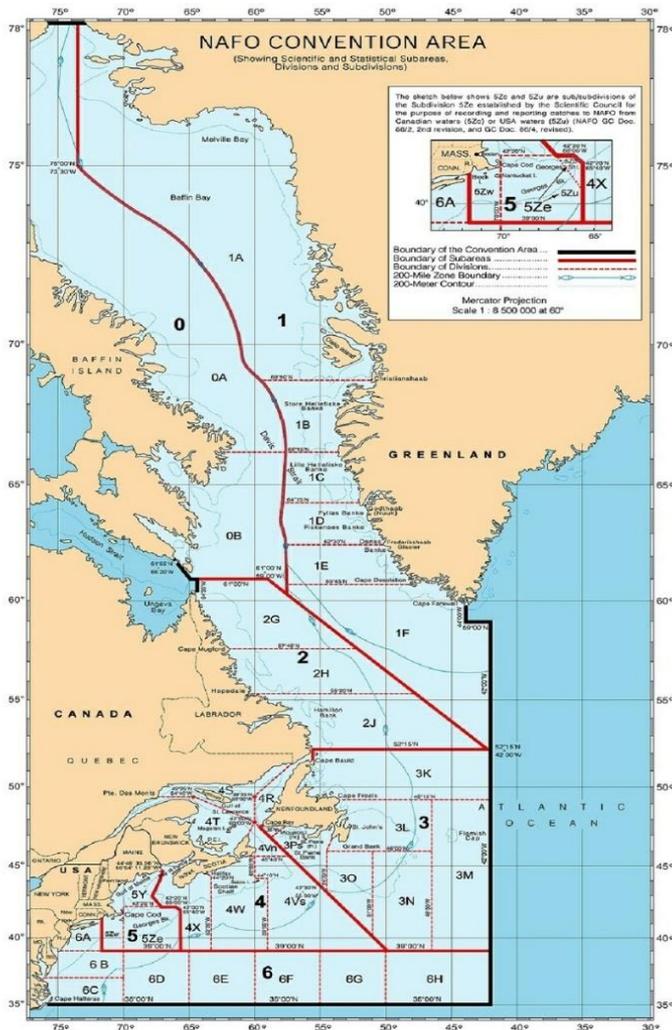
Cod preying on:

- Cod
- Redfish
- Shrimp

Redfish eating:

- Shrimp
- Redfish

# NAFO and the EAF



- In 2007 amendments to the NAFO convention
- NAFO convention indicates in its preamble that *“effective conservation and management of these fishery resources should be based on the **best available scientific advice and the precautionary approach**”* while it commits to *“**apply an ecosystem approach to fisheries management in the Northwest Atlantic that includes safeguarding the marine environment, conserving its marine biodiversity, minimizing the risk of long term or irreversible adverse effects of fishing activities, and taking account of the relationship between all components of the ecosystem**”*.

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**Task 2: Updating GadCap**

An **updated version** of the multispecies **model GadCap**: a gadget cod, redfish and shrimp multispecies model in the Flemish Cap.

**Task 3: First approach to implement multispecies assessment**

Explore the provision of scientific advice for a multispecies approach in the Flemish Cap

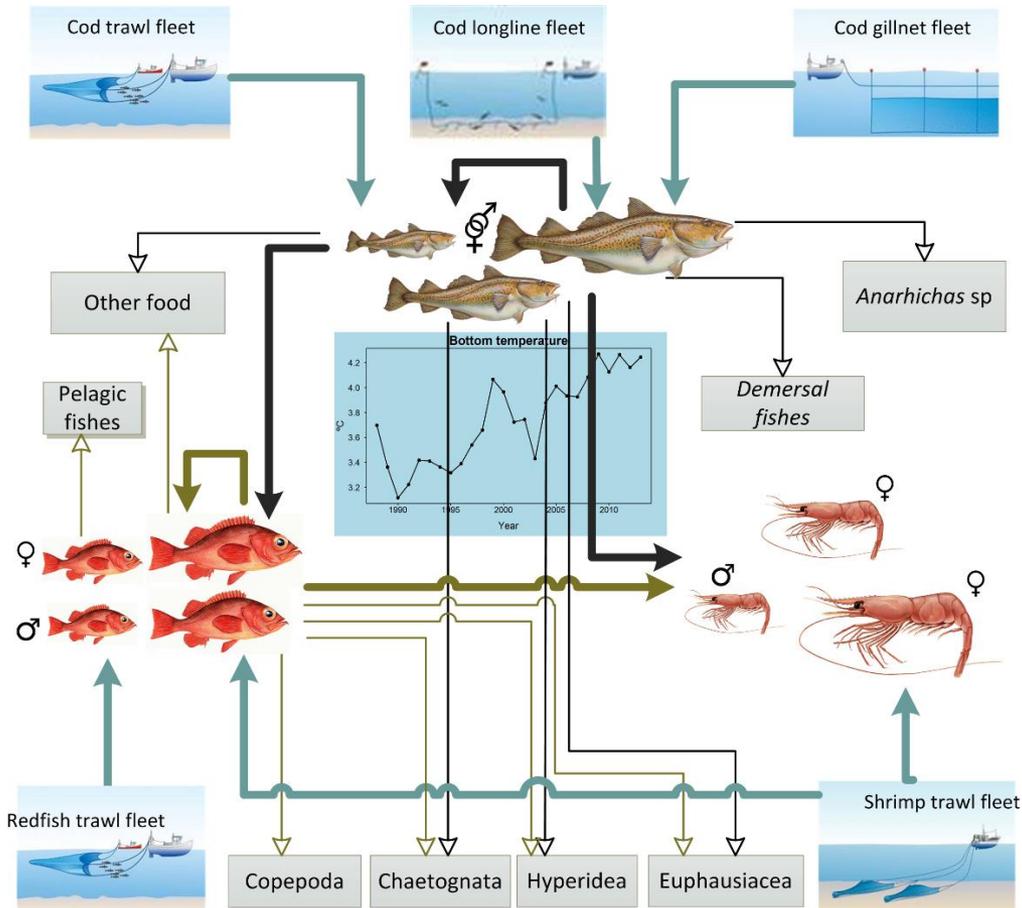
- Use of **multispecies natural mortality** estimates in single species stock assessment
- **Multispecies MSE framework and potential multispecies HCRs.**

**Task 4: Economic trade-offs**

First analysis of the **socio/economic implications**

Available techniques and models needed to assess the trade-offs

# Task 2 – Update and Improvement of Gadcap Multispecies Model



**-Gadget** (Globally applicable Area Dissagregated General Ecosystem Toolbox)

- Age-length based model

Biological processes:

- Growth
- Maturation
- Sex change
- Length-weight relationship
- Residual mortality

Ecology related components

- Consumption
- Diet composition
- Prey preference
- Prey-predator size relationship
- Prey-predator suitability function

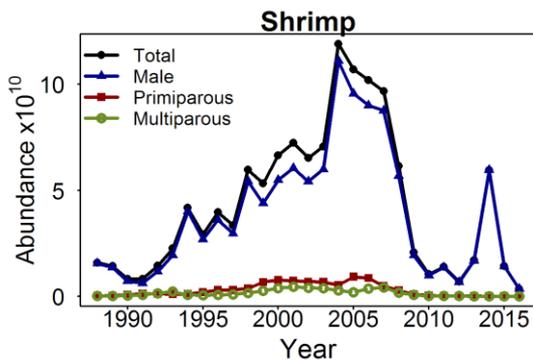
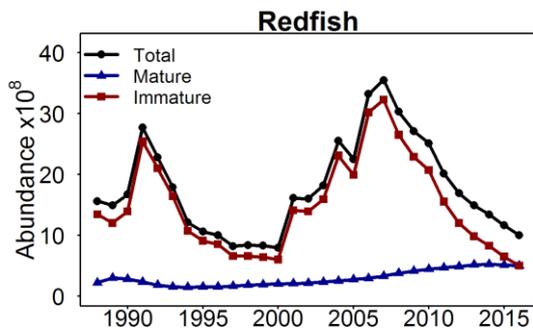
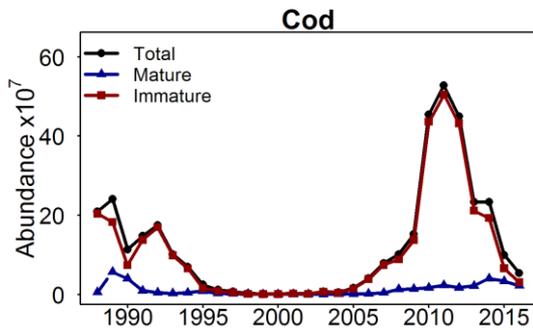
linearfleet: catches are modelled

- Trawl and longline: sigmoid
- Gillnet: dome shaped
- Redfish bycatch in shrimp fishery: dome shaped

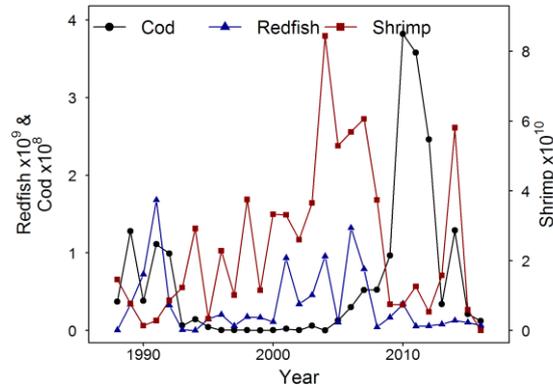
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# Abundance, recruitment and Biomass

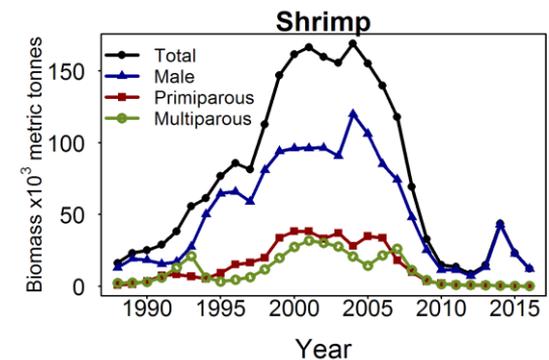
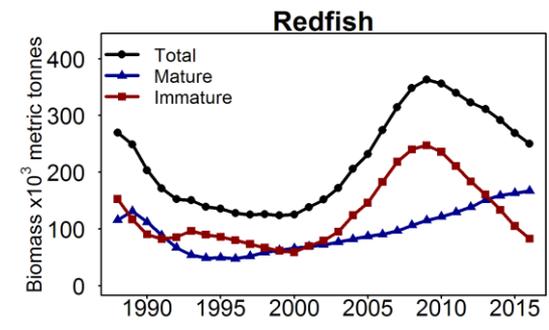
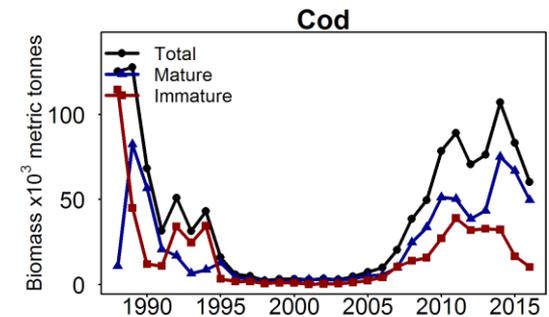
## Stock Abundance



## Recruitment

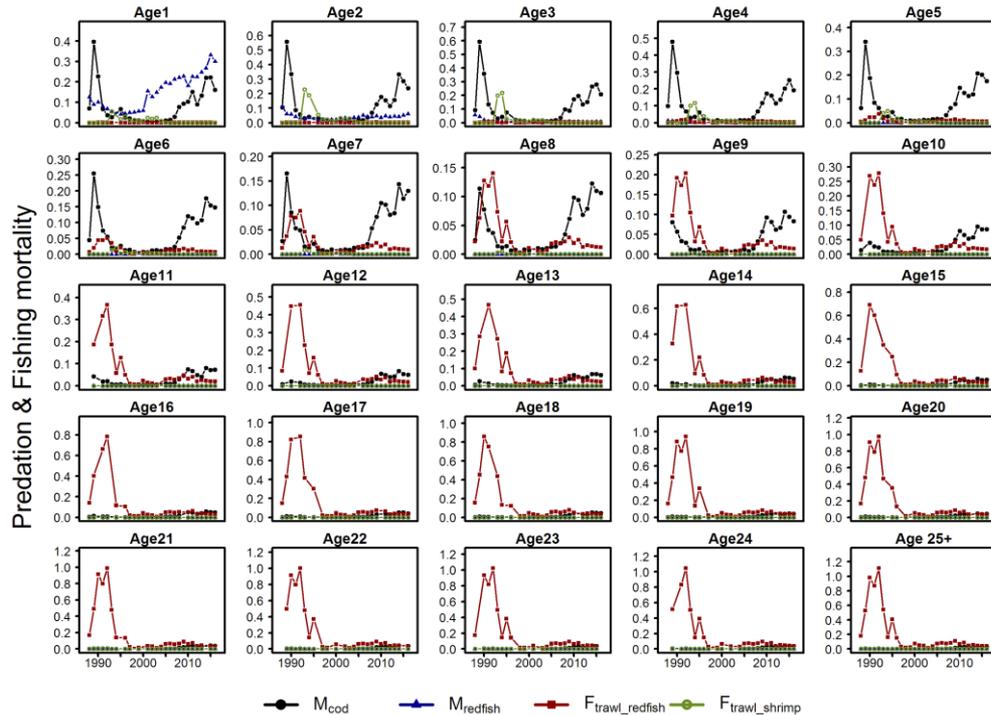


## Stock Biomass

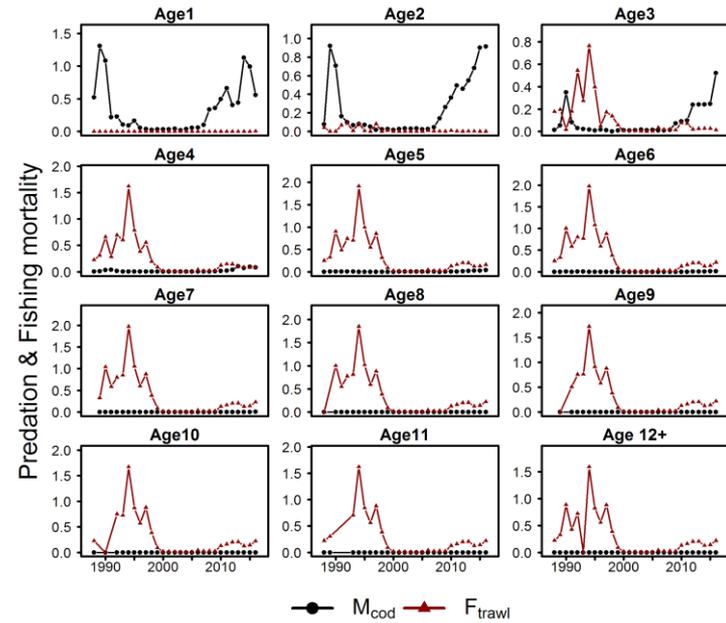


# Fishing and Predation mortality at age

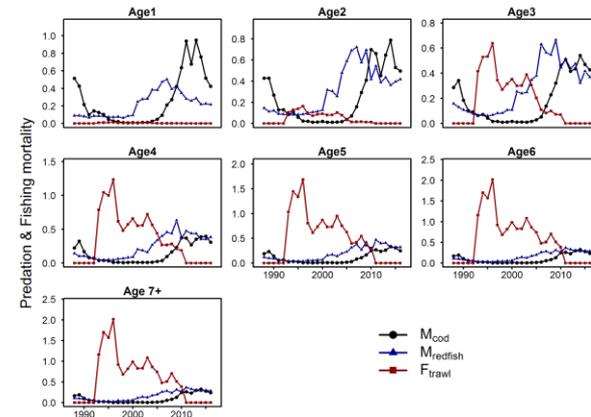
## Redfish



## Cod



## Shrimp

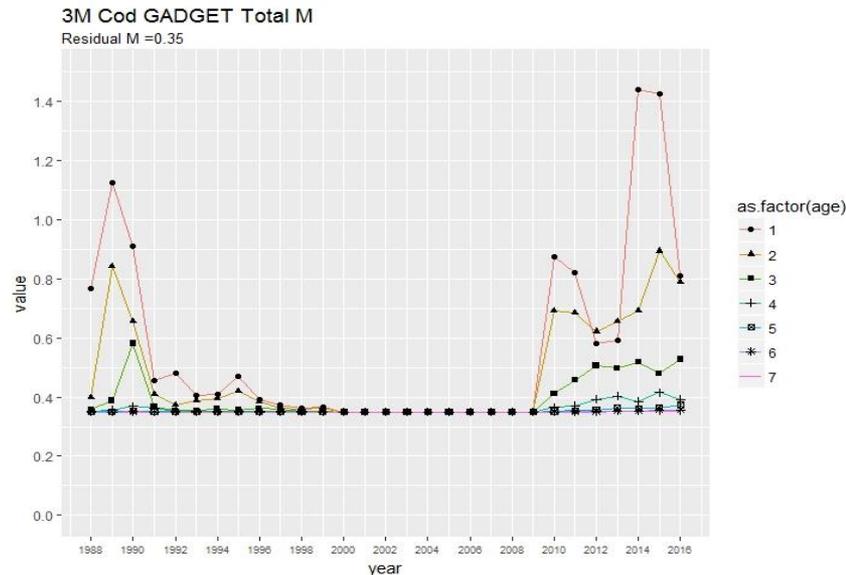


## Task 3 – Application of Multispecies Approach Subtask 3.1 Estimates of natural mortality (M1+M2) and use in single species stock assessment and short term forecast

Connection with SC03: Estimates of natural predation and residual mortality for the Flemish Cap cod

- DG-MARE SC03:

*“Support to a robust model assessment, benchmark and development of a management strategy evaluation for cod in NAFO division 3M”*



<https://www.nafo.int/Portals/0/PDFs/sc/2018/scr18-025.pdf>

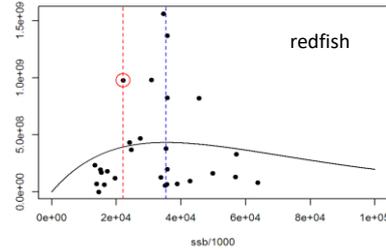
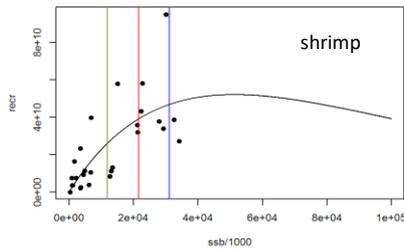
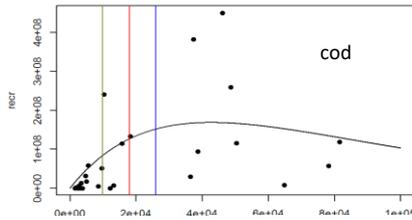
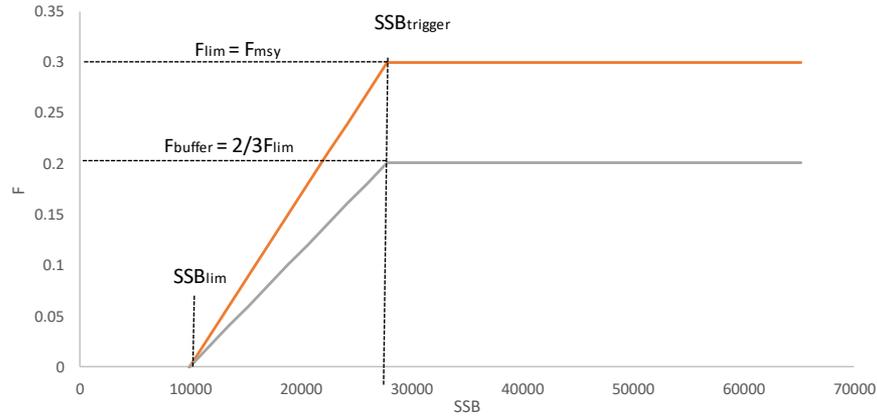
## Task 3 – Application of Multispecies Approach

Subtask 3.2 Explore multispecies reference points and HCRs

Subtask 3.3 Multispecies MSE framework

# Estimating reference points: Blim and Btrigger

NAFO precautionary approach framework



species	Blim	Btr
cod	17906	25943
redfish	22027	35361
shrimp	11864	31114

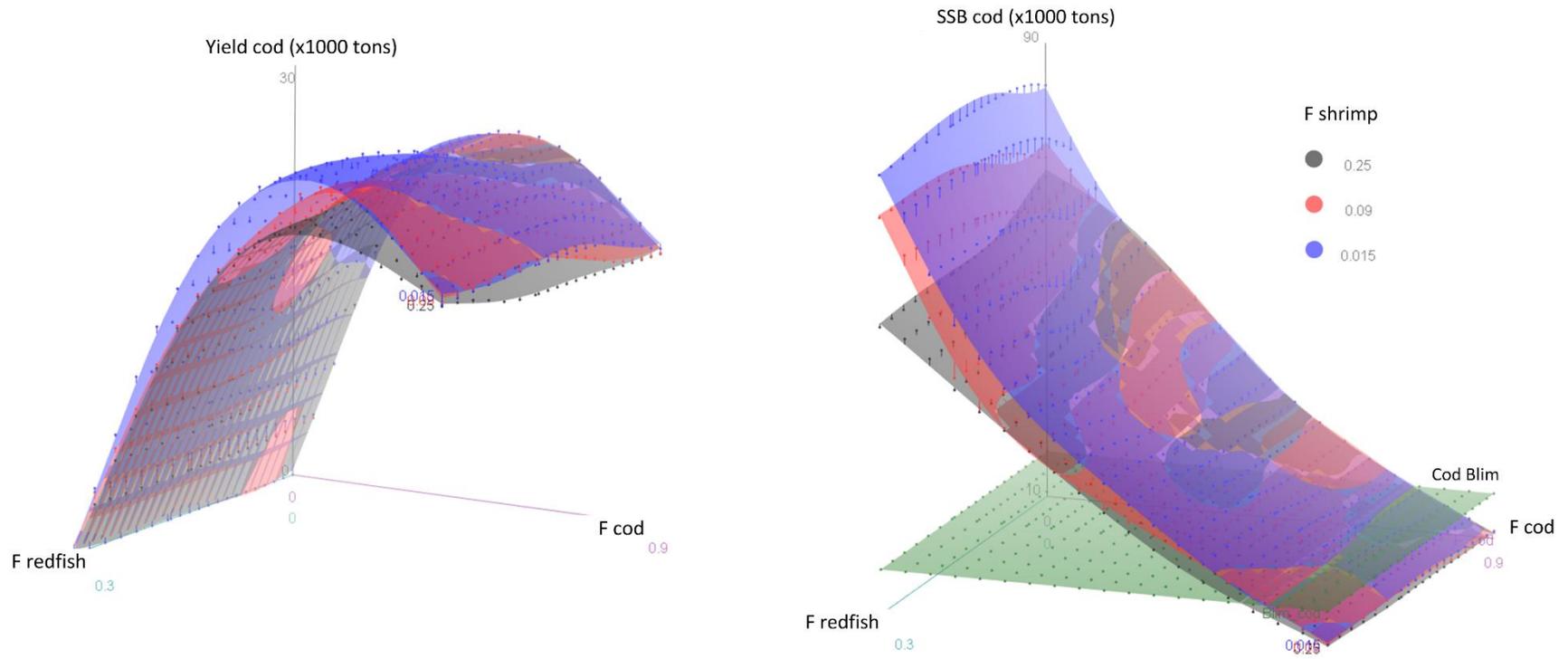
# Estimate candidate multispecies F reference points

## Long term projections using GadCap

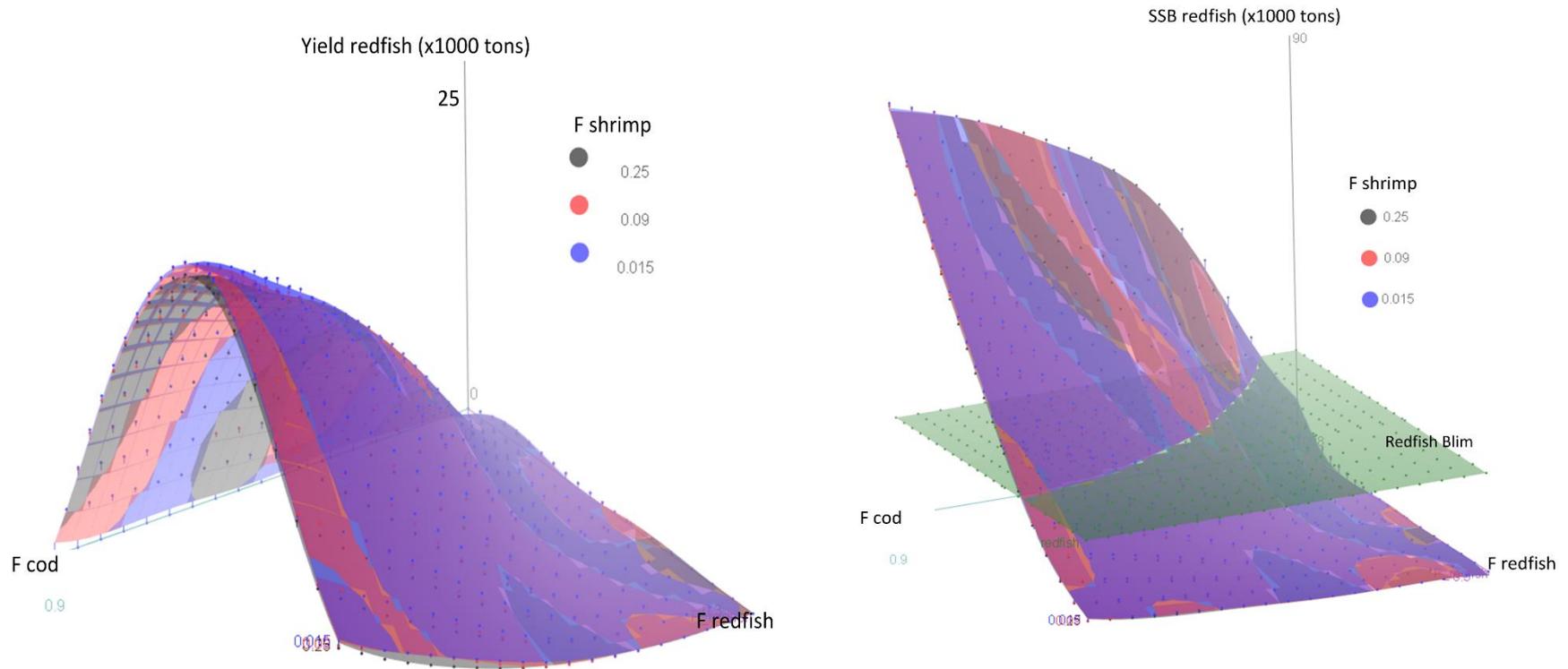
- 2017-2050
- Ricker SSB-Recruitment deterministic in first place
- Only trawl fleets (cod, redfish and shrimp)
- Run 8000 F combinations (20 F values per species)
- For each combination calculate the mean SSB and yield in the period 2035-2050.

$F_{\text{cod}}$	$F_{\text{red}}$	$F_{\text{shrimp}}$
0	0	0
0.05	0.015	0.015
0.1	0.03	0.03
0.15	0.045	0.045
0.2	0.06	0.06
0.25	0.075	0.075
0.3	0.09	0.09
0.35	0.105	0.105
0.4	0.12	0.12
0.45	0.135	0.135
0.5	0.15	0.15
0.55	0.165	0.165
0.6	0.18	0.18
0.65	0.195	0.195
0.7	0.2	0.2
0.75	0.225	0.225
0.8	0.25	0.25
0.85	0.275	0.275
0.9	0.3	0.3
0.95	0.325	0.325

# Yield and SSB curves Cod

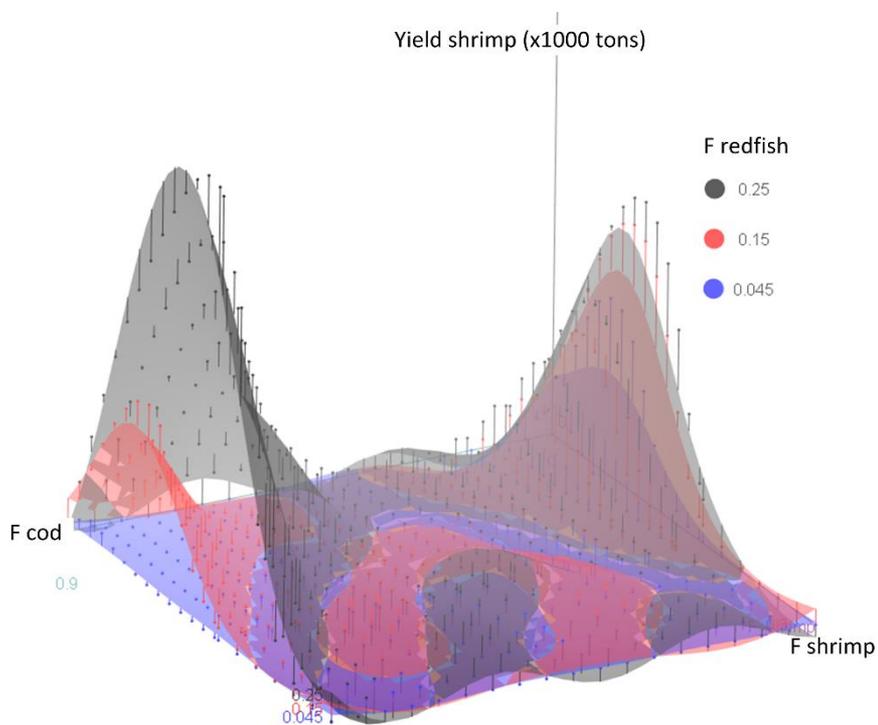


# Yield and SSB curves Redfish

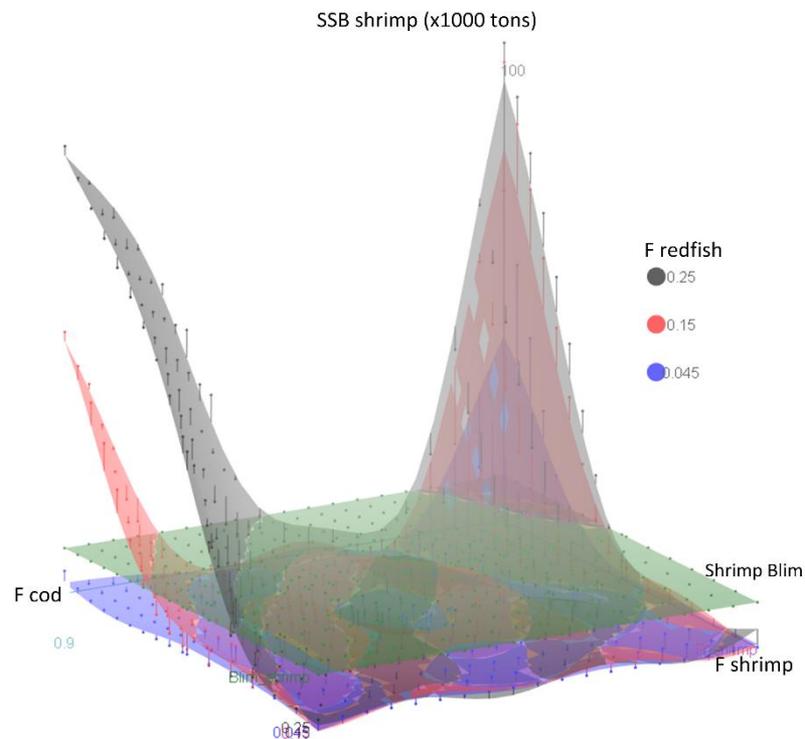


# Yield and SSB curves Shrimp

Yield shrimp (x1000 tons)

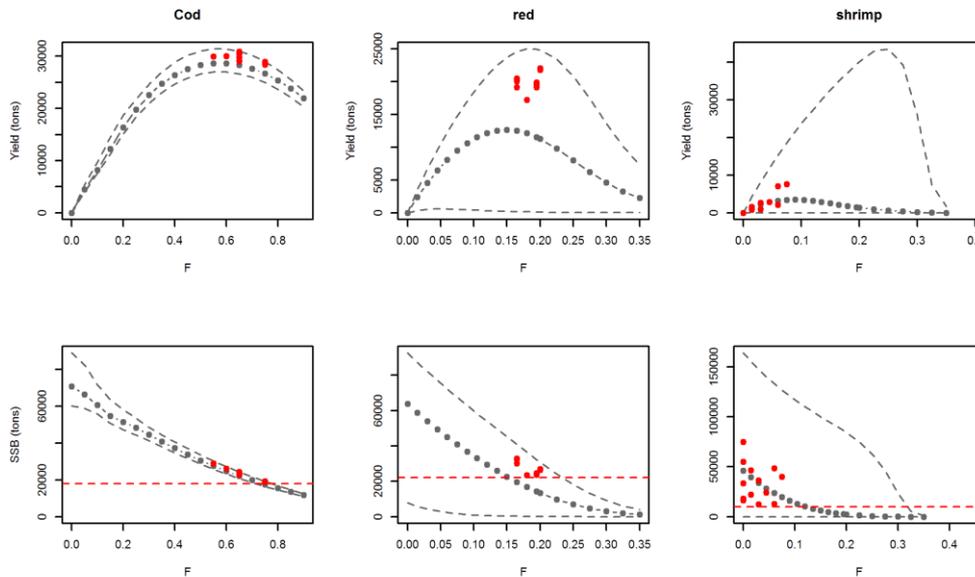


SSB shrimp (x1000 tons)



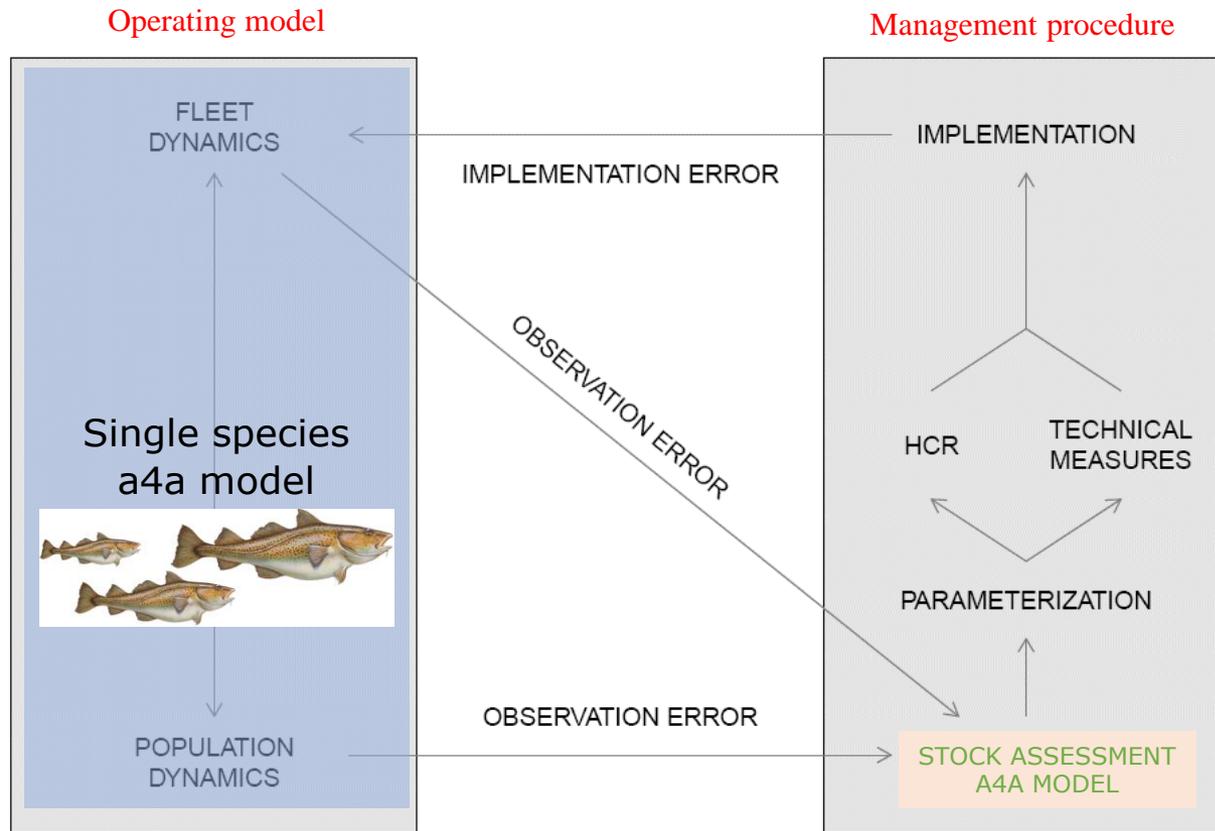
# Candidate multispecies F reference values

- Find combinations of F that keep the three stocks above Blim in a Deterministic way
- Only 96 out of 8000 combinations
- Selection of 13 combinations:

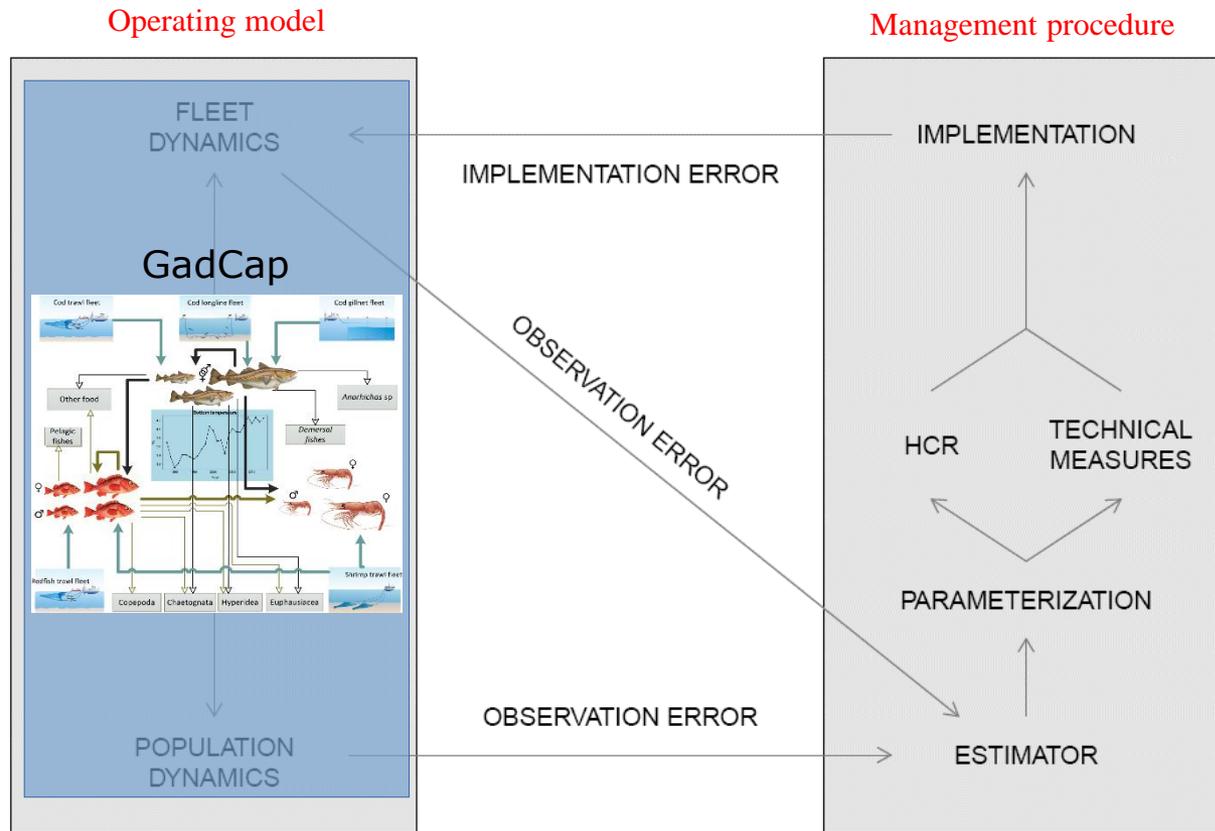


F_cod	F_redfish	F_shrimp
0.55	0.18	0
0.6	0.165	0
0.65	0.165	0
0.65	0.165	0.015
0.65	0.165	0.03
0.65	0.195	0
0.65	0.195	0.015
0.65	0.195	0.03
0.65	0.195	0.045
0.65	0.195	0.06
0.75	0.2	0
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0.75	0.2	0.075

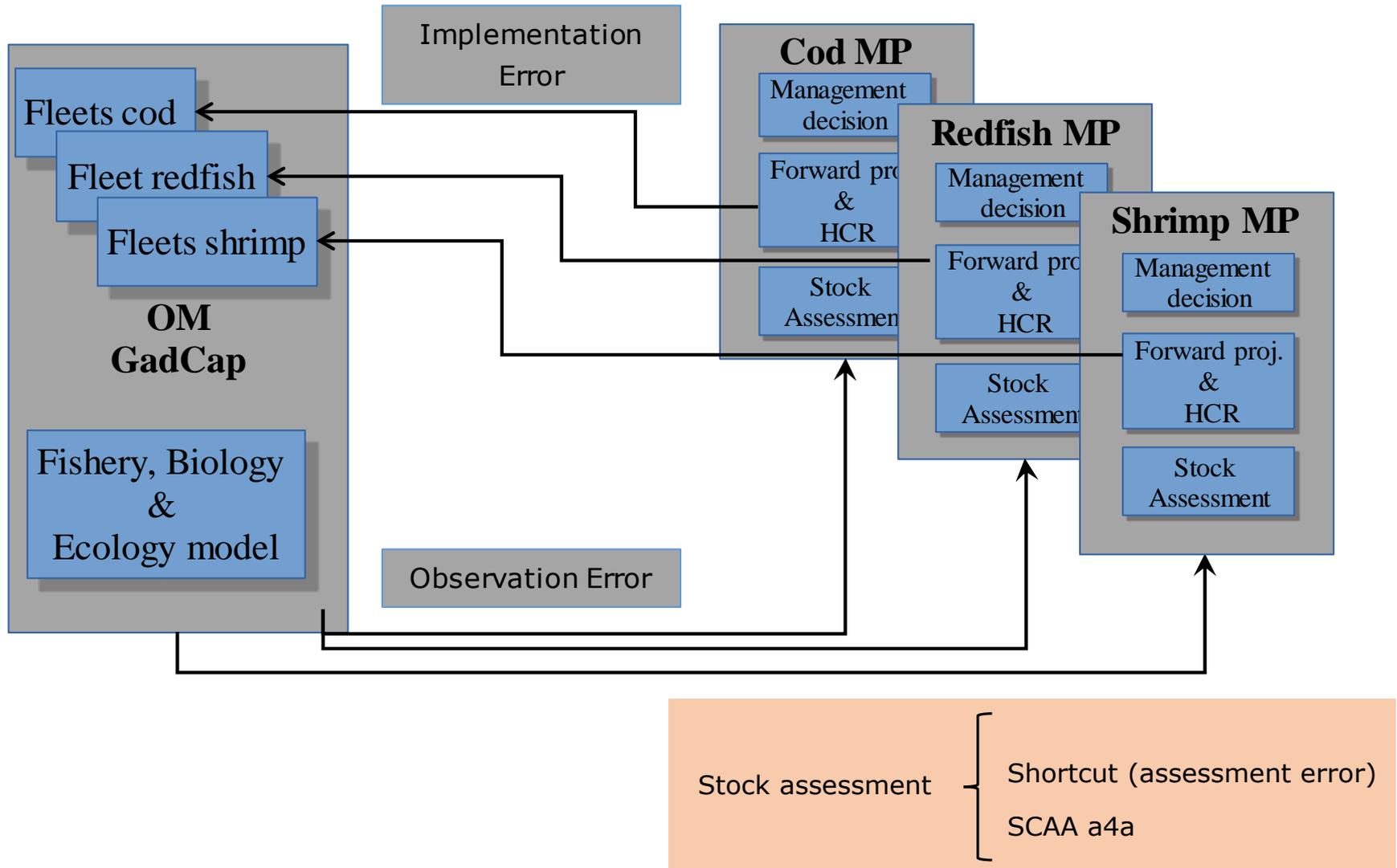
# a4a-FLR MSE framework: EU JRC (Ispra)



# Adapting a4a-FLR MSE framework: GadCap as operating model

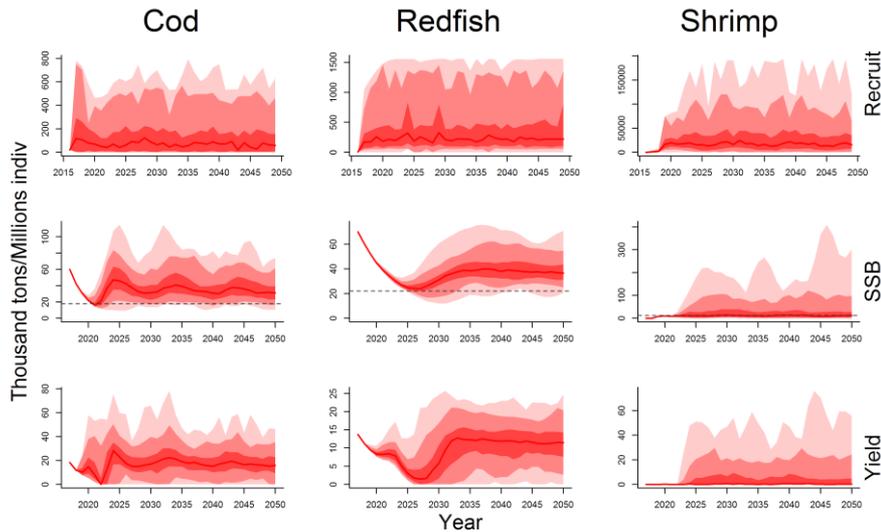


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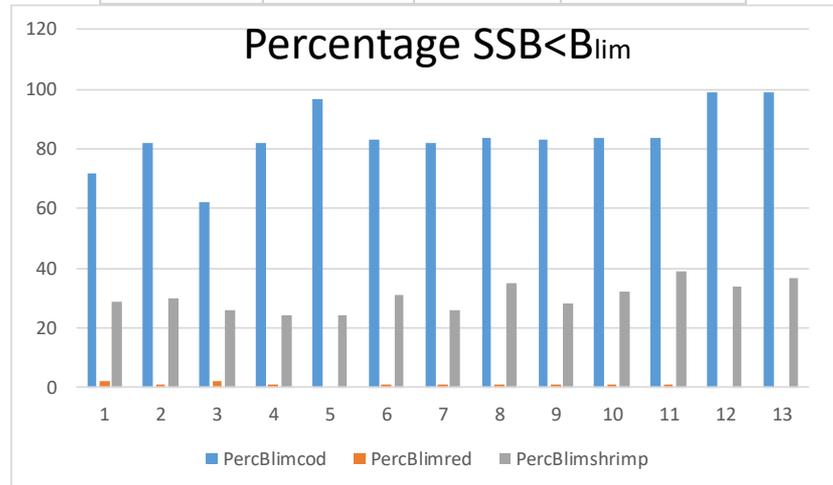
# Risk analysis with recruitment uncertainty

## Multispecies F candidates



combination	Ftargetcod	Ftargetred	Ftargetshrimp
1	0.6	0.165	0
2	0.65	0.165	0
3	0.55	0.18	0
4	0.65	0.195	0
5	0.75	0.2	0
6	0.65	0.165	0.015
7	0.65	0.195	0.015
8	0.65	0.165	0.03
9	0.65	0.195	0.03
10	0.65	0.195	0.045
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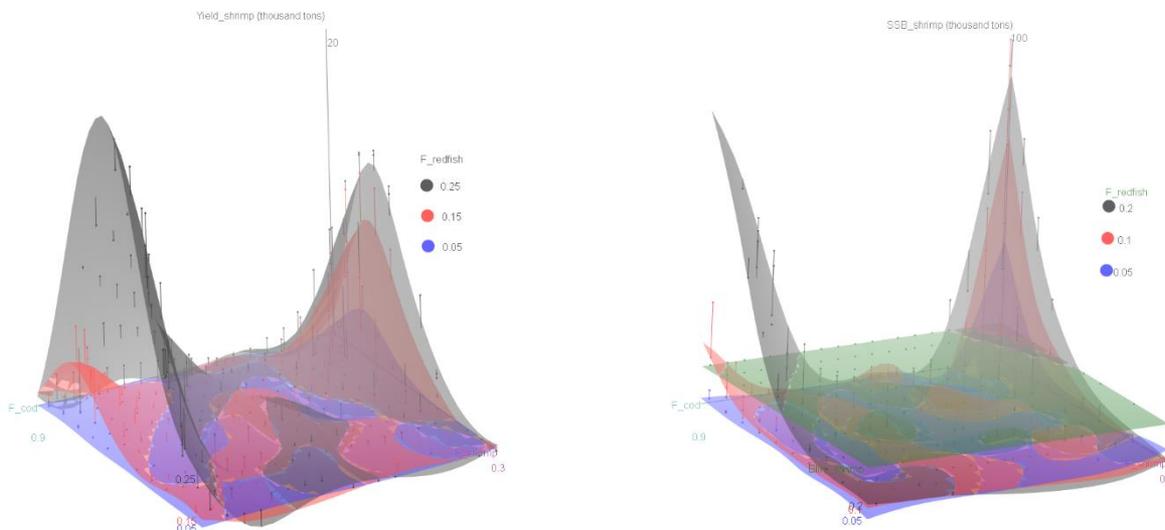
- Very similar pattern for all the 13 F combinations:
- The F values required to keep all the three species above Blim in a deterministic way entails a very **high risk of collapse** when recruitment uncertainty is considered
- High risk  $SSB_{cod} < B_{lim}$
- Low risk  $SSB_{redfish} < B_{lim}$  (But not in medium term)
- High risk  $SSB_{shrimp} < B_{lim}$



# Risk analysis with recruitment uncertainty

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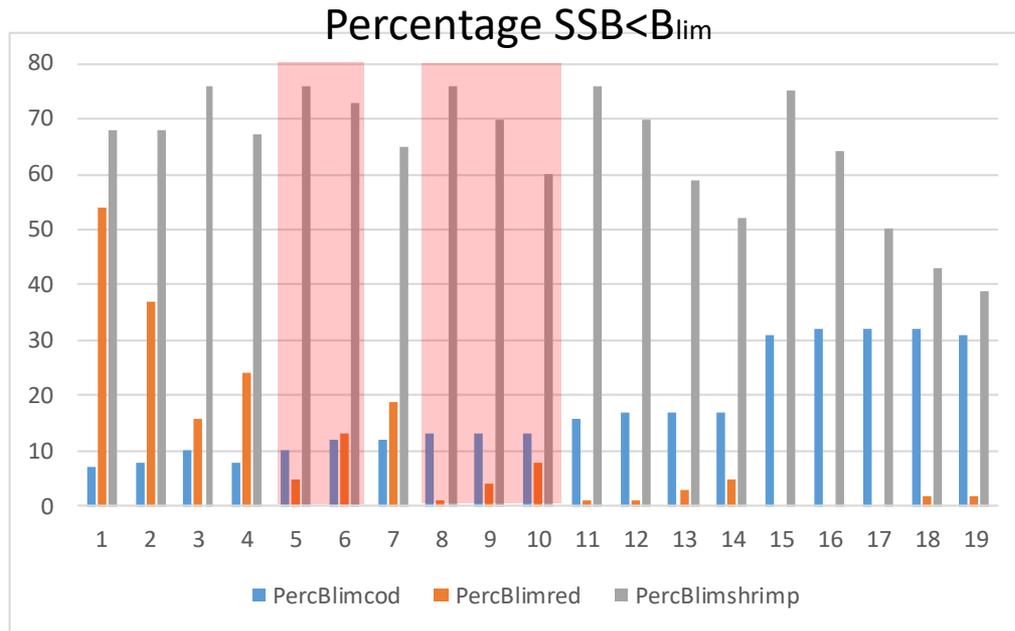
- High predation pressure of cod and redfish on shrimp  $\longrightarrow$  only very high fishing mortality on these stocks ensure shrimp above Blim



- Conclusion: The **three species cannot be maintained above Blim** at the same time.
- Next step: New **simulations disregarding each of the three stocks one by one** in terms of maintaining above Blim.

# Risk analysis

## Multispecies HCRs disregarding shrimp

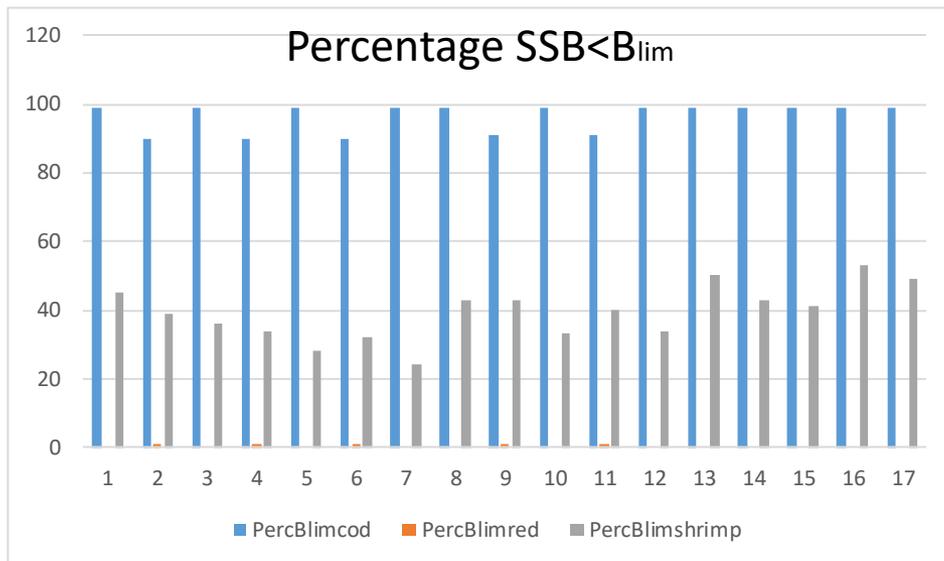


Combination	F <sub>targetcod</sub>	F <sub>targetred</sub>	F <sub>targetshrimp</sub>
1	0.1	0	0
2	0.15	0.03	0
3	0.2	0.03	0
4	0.2	0.06	0
5	0.25	0.03	0
6	0.25	0.06	0
7	0.25	0.09	0
8	0.3	0.03	0
9	0.3	0.06	0
10	0.3	0.09	0
11	0.35	0.03	0
12	0.35	0.06	0
13	0.35	0.09	0
14	0.35	0.12	0
15	0.45	0.03	0
16	0.45	0.06	0
17	0.45	0.09	0
18	0.45	0.12	0
19	0.45	0.15	0

- A few combinations of F for cod and redfish that reduce the likelihood of SSB being below B<sub>lim</sub> more than 10-15 percent.

# Risk analysis

## Multispecies HCRs disregarding cod

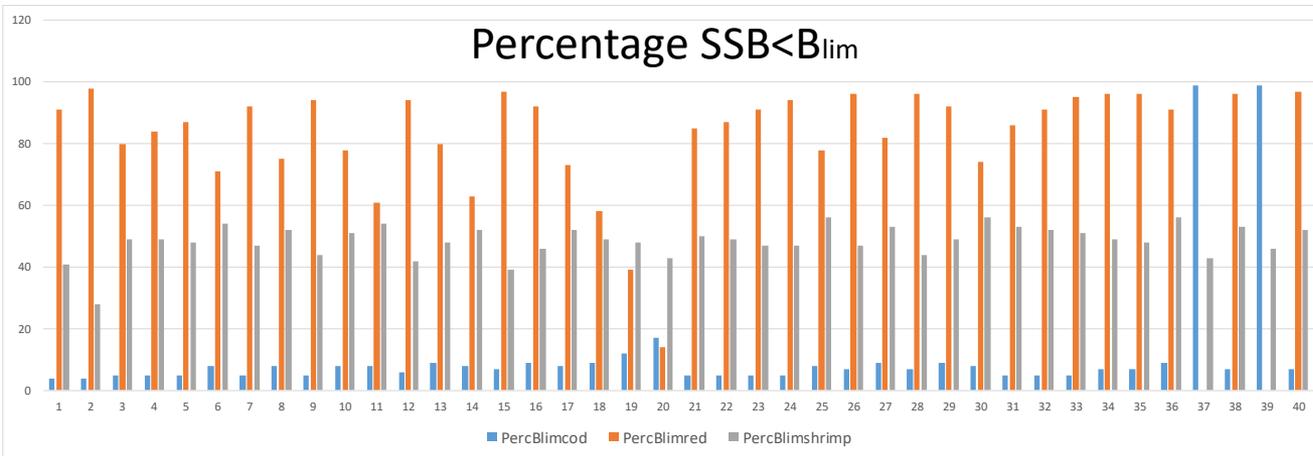


Combination	Ftargetcod	Ftargetred	Ftargetshrimp
1	0.8	0.12	0.03
2	0.7	0.15	0.03
3	0.8	0.15	0.03
4	0.7	0.18	0.03
5	0.8	0.18	0.03
6	0.7	0.2	0.03
7	0.8	0.2	0.03
8	0.8	0.15	0.06
9	0.7	0.18	0.06
10	0.8	0.18	0.06
11	0.7	0.2	0.06
12	0.8	0.2	0.06
13	0.8	0.15	0.09
14	0.8	0.18	0.09
15	0.8	0.2	0.09
16	0.8	0.18	0.12
17	0.8	0.2	0.12

- Risk of collapse on redfish was almost null, while for cod and shrimp it was very high

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## Multispecies HCRs disregarding redfish

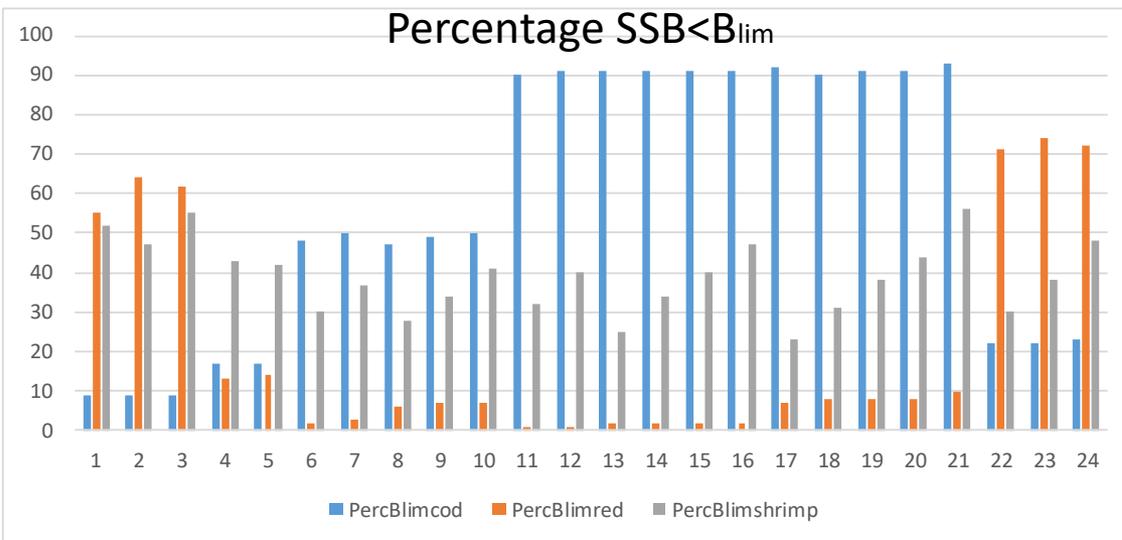


- Risk of collapse on cod was very low in most HCRs combinations, while for redfish and shrimp it was very high

combination	Ftargetcod	Ftargetred	Ftargetshrimp
1	0	0	0
2	0	0.195	0
3	0.05	0.03	0.03
4	0.05	0.06	0.03
5	0.05	0.09	0.03
6	0.1	0.09	0.03
7	0.05	0.12	0.03
8	0.1	0.12	0.03
9	0.05	0.15	0.03
10	0.1	0.15	0.03
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13	0.1	0.2	0.03
14	0.15	0.2	0.03
15	0.05	0.3	0.03
16	0.1	0.3	0.03
17	0.15	0.3	0.03
18	0.2	0.3	0.03
19	0.25	0.3	0.03
20	0.35	0.3	0.03
21	0.05	0.06	0.06
22	0.05	0.09	0.06
23	0.05	0.12	0.06
24	0.05	0.15	0.06
25	0.1	0.15	0.06
26	0.05	0.2	0.06
27	0.1	0.2	0.06
28	0.05	0.3	0.06
29	0.1	0.3	0.06
30	0.15	0.3	0.06
31	0.05	0.09	0.09
32	0.05	0.12	0.09
33	0.05	0.15	0.09
34	0.05	0.2	0.09
35	0.05	0.3	0.09
36	0.1	0.3	0.09
37	0.75	0.25	0.105
38	0.05	0.2	0.12
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# Risk analysis

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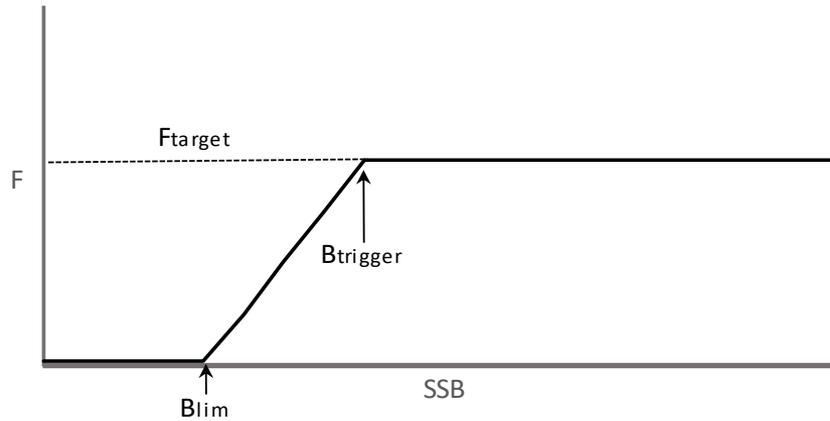


Combination	Ftargetcod	Ftargetred	Ftargetshrimp
1	0.2	0.275	0.03
2	0.2	0.35	0.03
3	0.2	0.35	0.06
4	0.35	0.275	0.03
5	0.35	0.35	0.03
6	0.5	0.275	0.03
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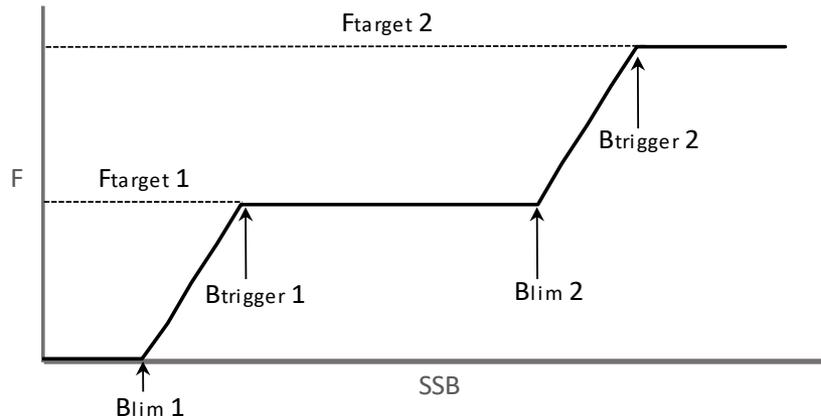
- Risk of collapse on cod and redfish showed an opposite pattern, while risk of collapse for shrimp was always high

# Two stages HCR: avoid excessive predation?

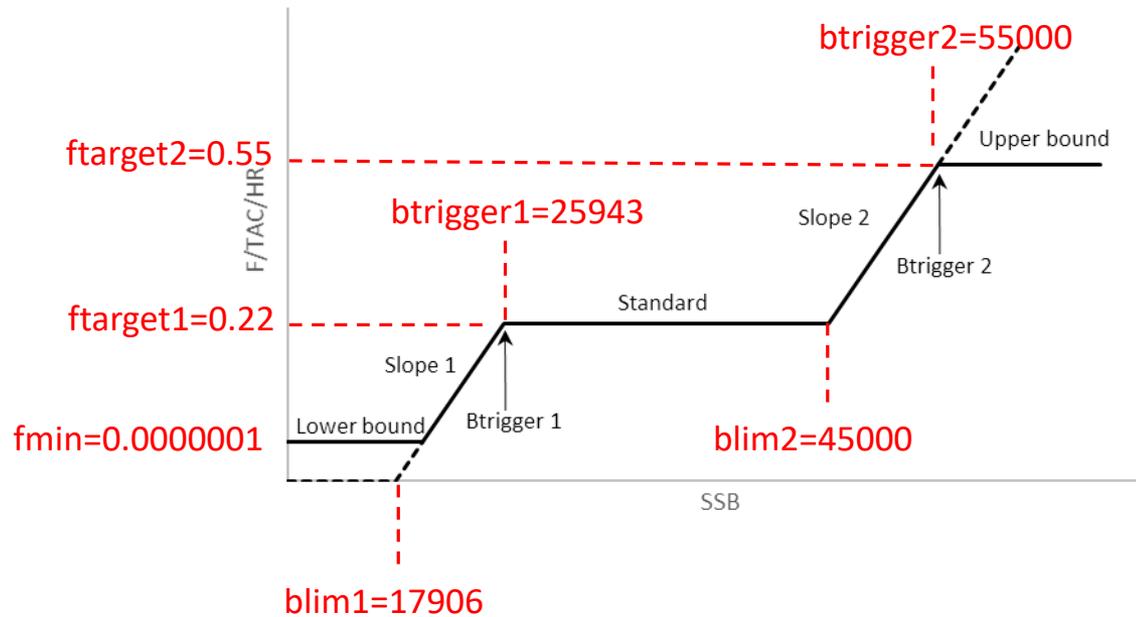
Single stage hockey stick HCR



Double stage hockey stick HCR



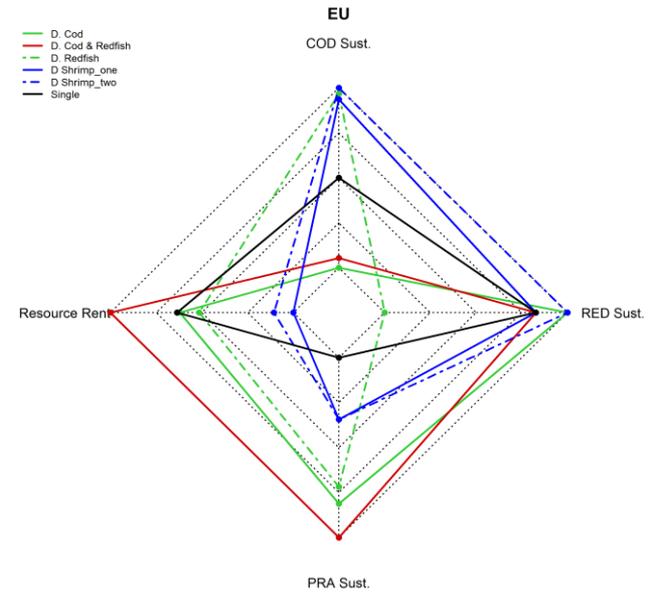
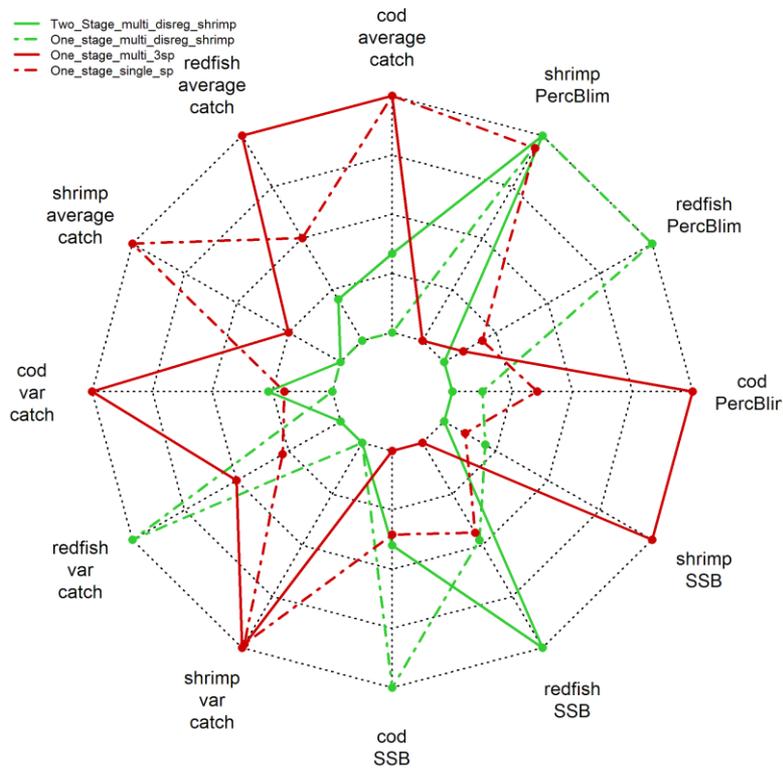
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comb.N	cod	F <sub>target</sub>		Perc_B <sub>lim_cod</sub>		Perc_B <sub>lim_redfish</sub>		Perc_B <sub>lim_shrimp</sub>	
		redfish	shrimp	one-stage	two-stage	one-stage	two-stage	one-stage	two-stage
1	0.25	0.03	0	13	10	6	0	82	82
2	0.25	0.06	0	14	11	15	0	73	75
3	0.25	0.09	0	14	12	23	2	67	65
4	0.35	0.12	0	27	28	6	2	58	54

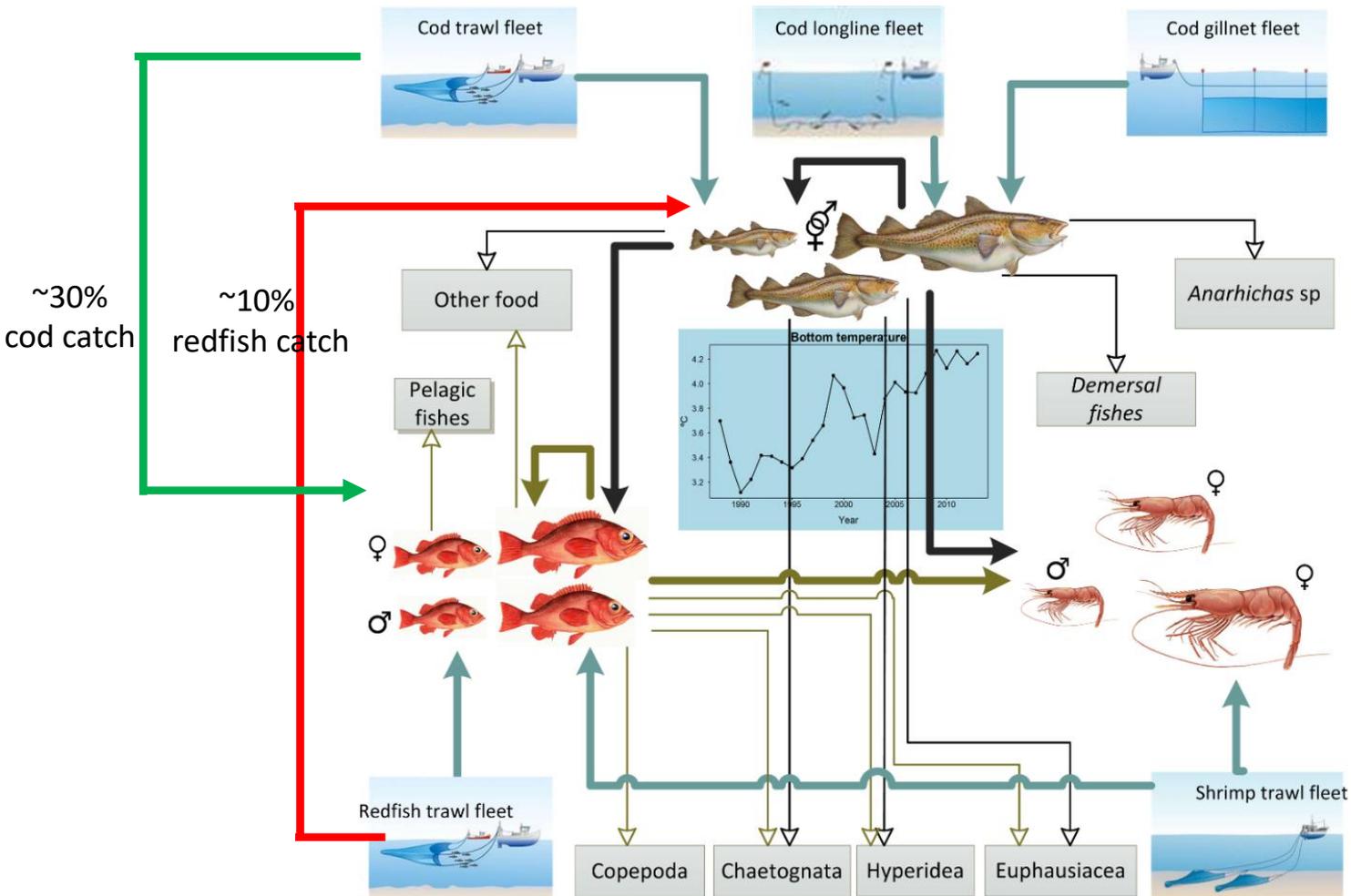
# Trade-offs assessment



# Conclusions

- The results suggest that it is not possible having the 3 sps above Blim
- Disregarding one stock may allow finding precautionary multispecies reference points for the others.
- Precautionary HCRs for two stocks at once were only found when shrimp SSB in relation to Blim was disregarded.
- The results suggest that the two stages HCRs for cod reduces predation and increases probability of cod, redfish being above Blim.

# Technical interactions



Ecological-Technical multispecies interactions and  
the next generation assessment models

Are ecological-technical interactions needed in the general model or are they better accomplished outside the general model?

- Benefits of creating MICE general model (with capacity for multispecies interactions)
  - Stock assessment model
  - Simulation model (OM within MSE)

# Are ecological-technical interactions needed in the general model or are they better accomplished outside the general model?

- Application of MICE with multispecies interactions
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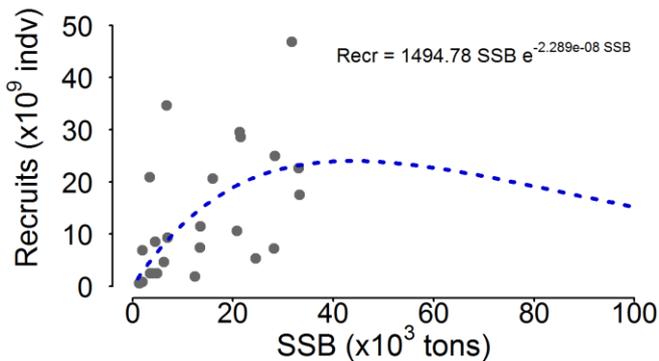
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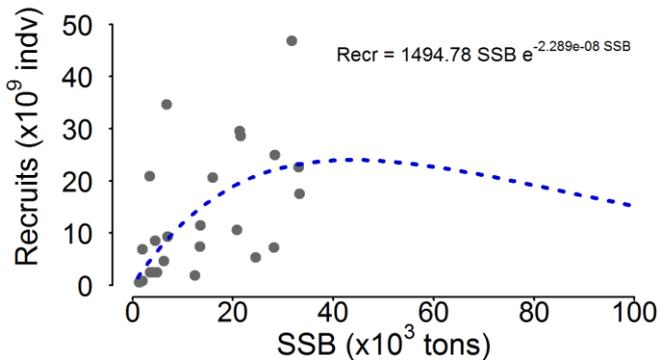


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- Although we can also assume for example recruitment as the average in the previous 3 years

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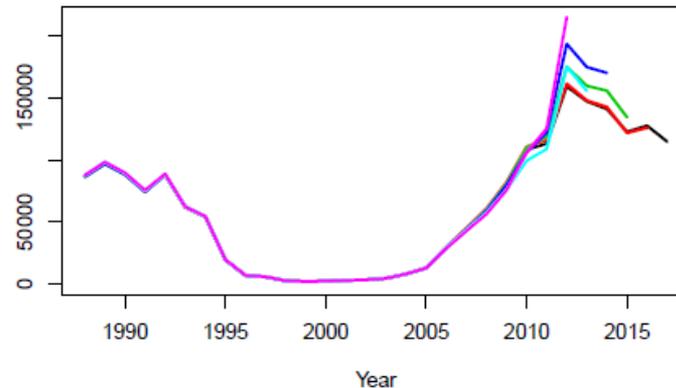
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Total Biomass retro



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## Are ecological-technical interactions needed in the general model or are they better accomplished outside the general model?

- Stock assessment model
  - Too slow and complex
  - Small changes in some parameters can involve big changes in the assessment
  - Not operational in stock assessment process time-frame
- Support for single species stock assessment
  - Use of natural mortality estimates from multispecies models : North sea Stocks, Barents sea cod and haddock...
  - Consumption estimates by cod on Iceland and Barents Sea capelin
  - CCAMLR: estimate krill needed for predators
- The need of considering trophic interaction will increase as the state of predator stocks improve.
- Ideally being the same modelling framework than the one used for stock assessment with the same sources of information, but only adding the trophic interactions and the diet composition data needed
- General model should have capacity to model trophic interactions

Are ecological-technical interactions needed in the general model or are they better accomplished outside the general model?

- Application of MICE with multispecies interactions
  - Simulation model (OM within MSE)
    - When trophic interactions are clear drivers in the Dynamic and productivity of a stock
    - Real potential to account for the most important ecological aspects on MSE
    - General model including trophic interactions
    - There is no currently a multispecies model with capacity to do all that the general model that is intended here would have

# Are ecological-technical interactions needed in the general model or are they better accomplished outside the general model?

- What features are needed?
  - Consumption model by length and time step
  - Prey-Predator suitability functions
- Major difficulties?
  - Data on diet composition
  - Managers
- What Research is needed?
  - Identification of the real need of multispecies interactions
  - Consumption estimates
  - Diet composition
  - Prey preference
  - Prey-predator length relationship

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