



Linear or non-linear? Understanding the effect of Climate Change on Atlantic Cod recruitment

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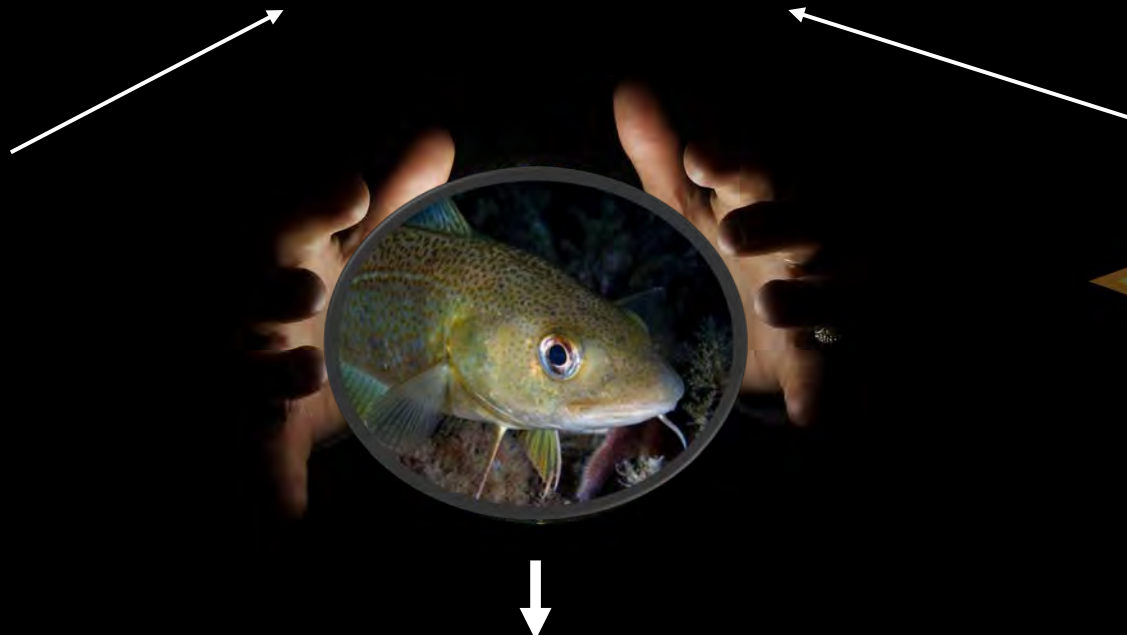


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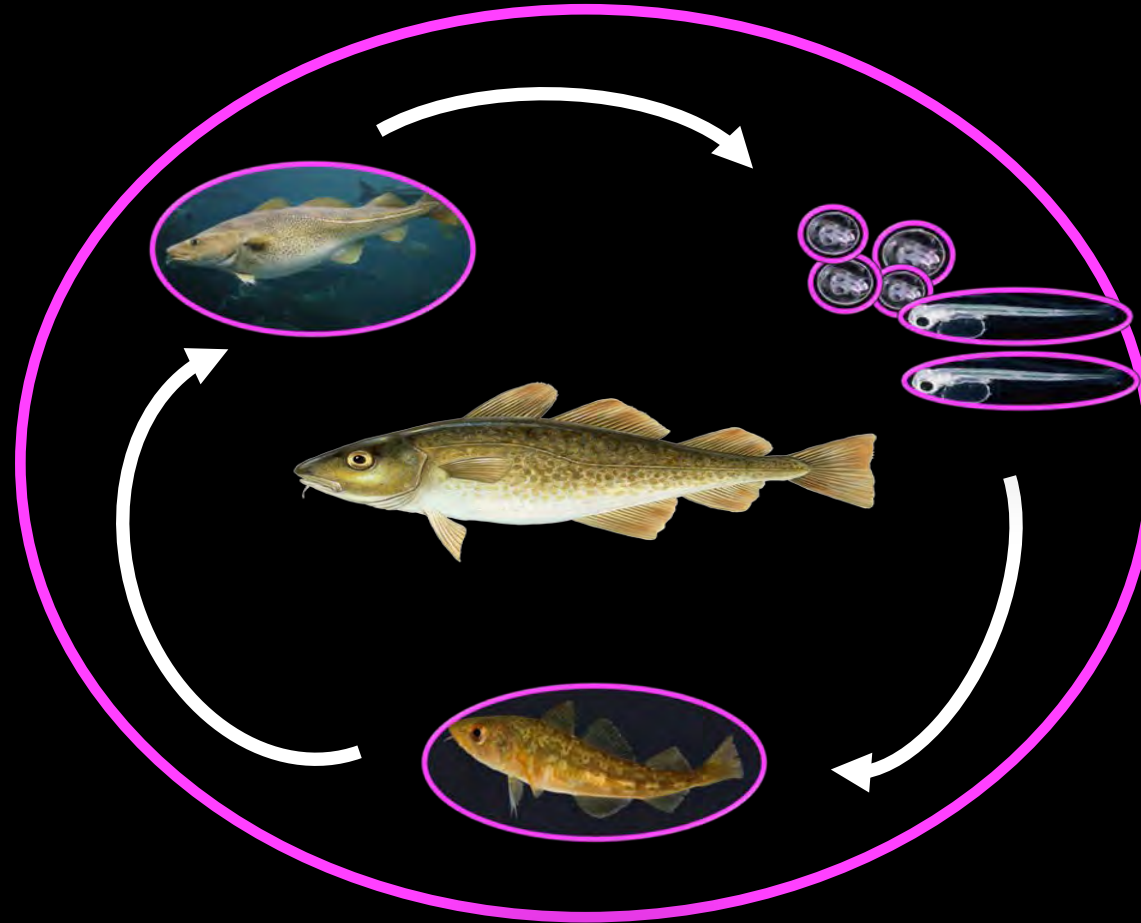


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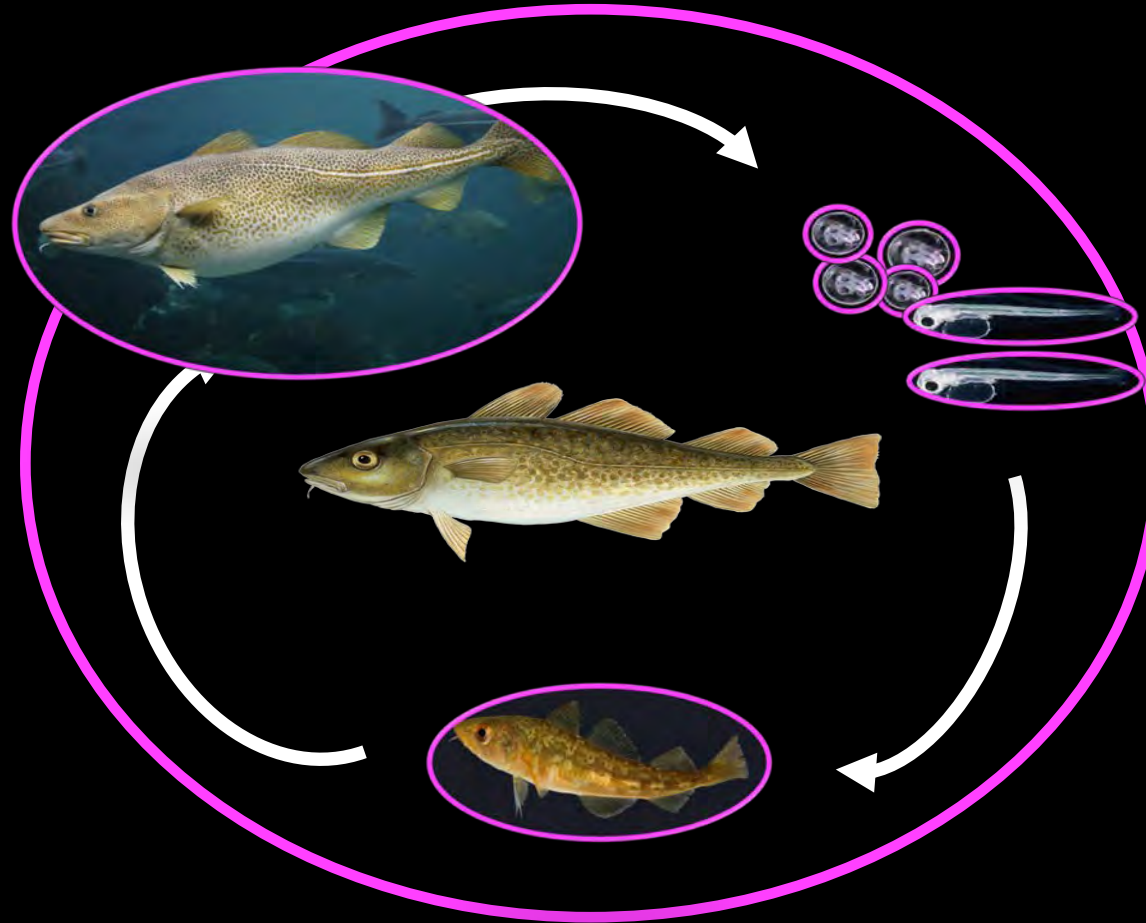
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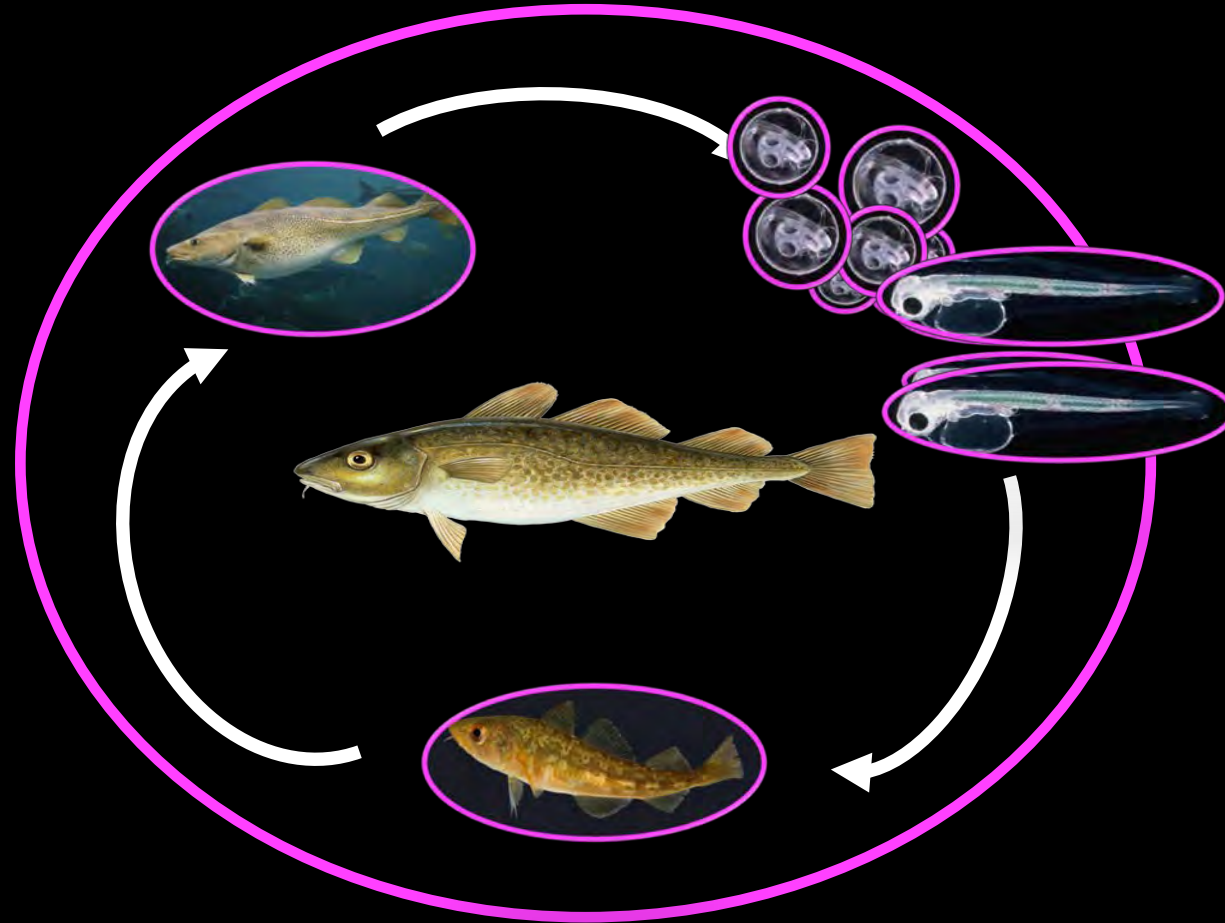
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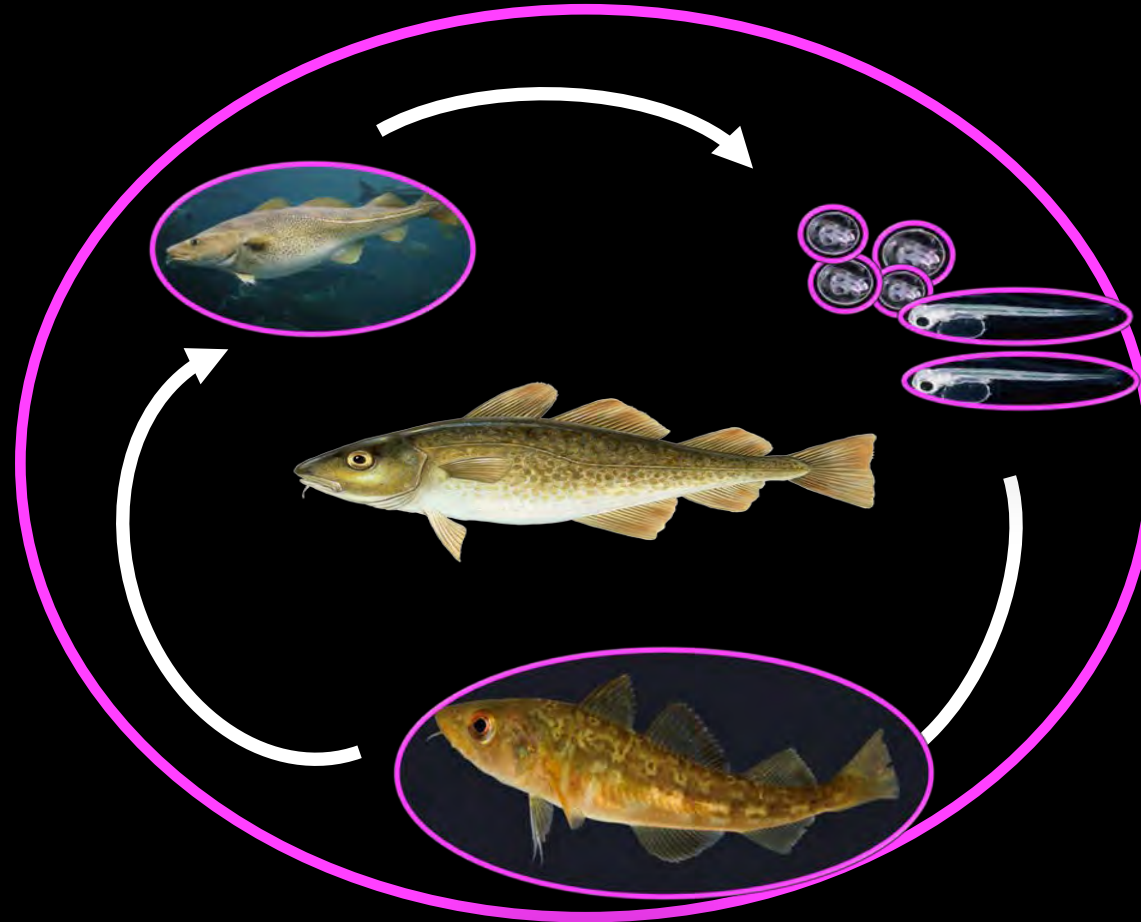
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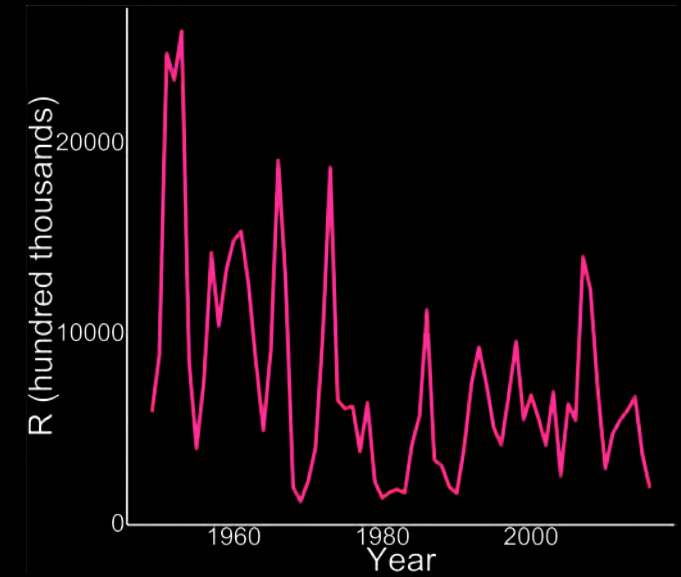


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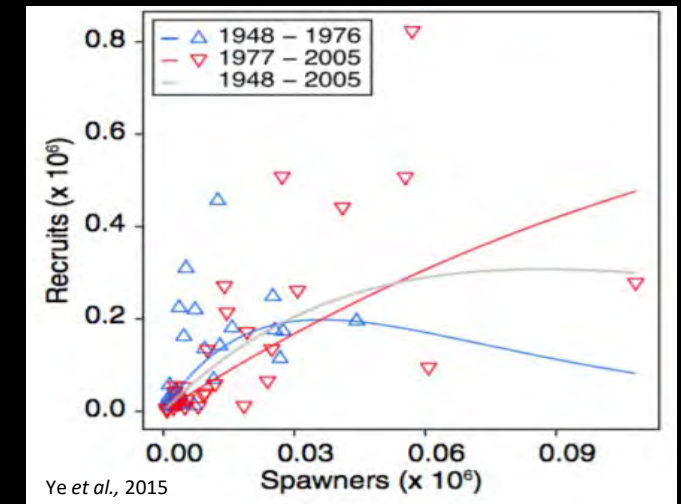
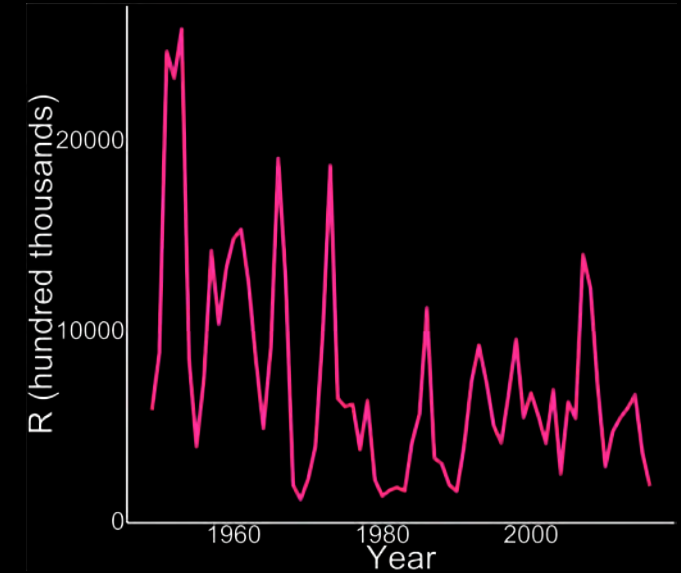
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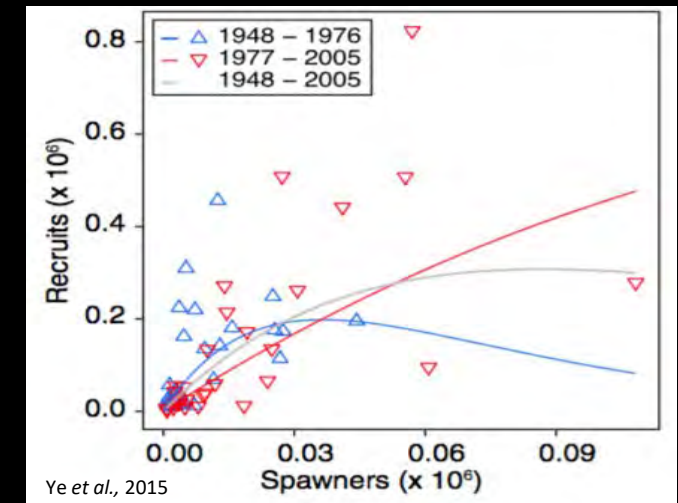
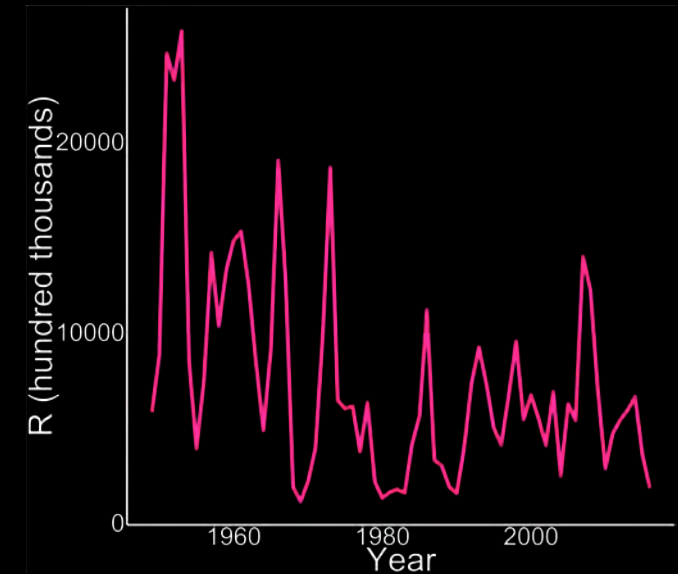
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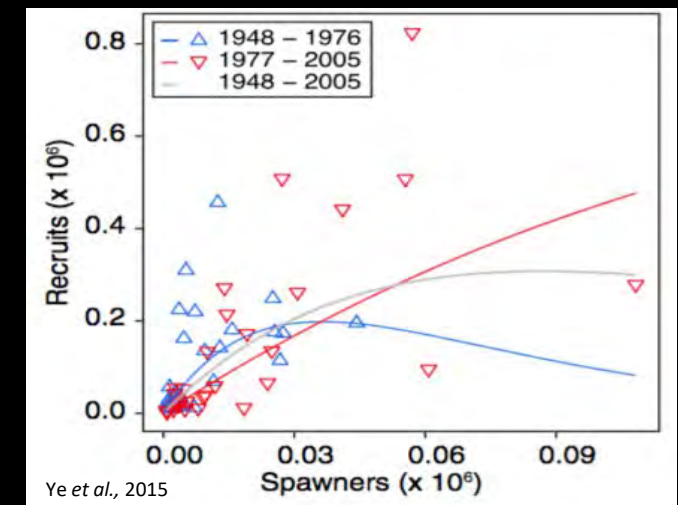
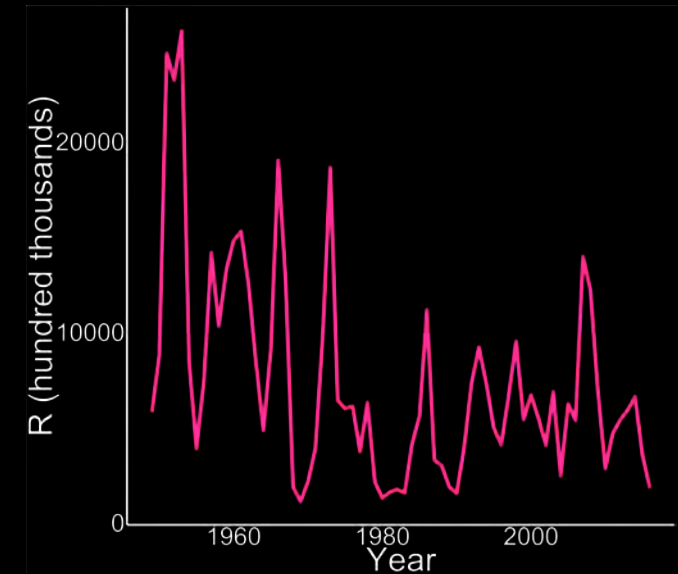
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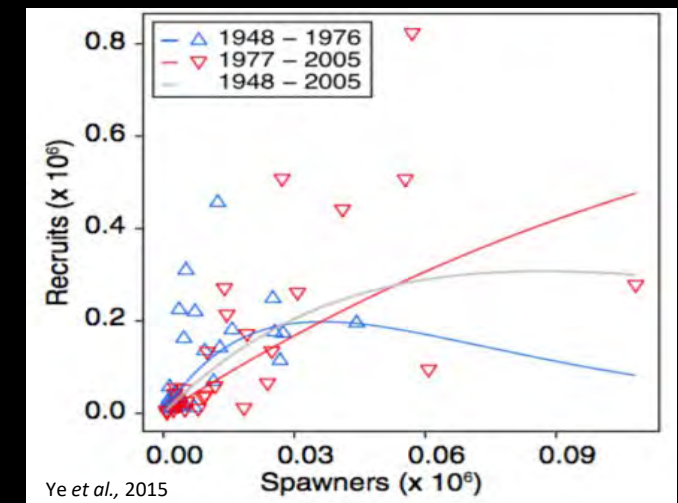
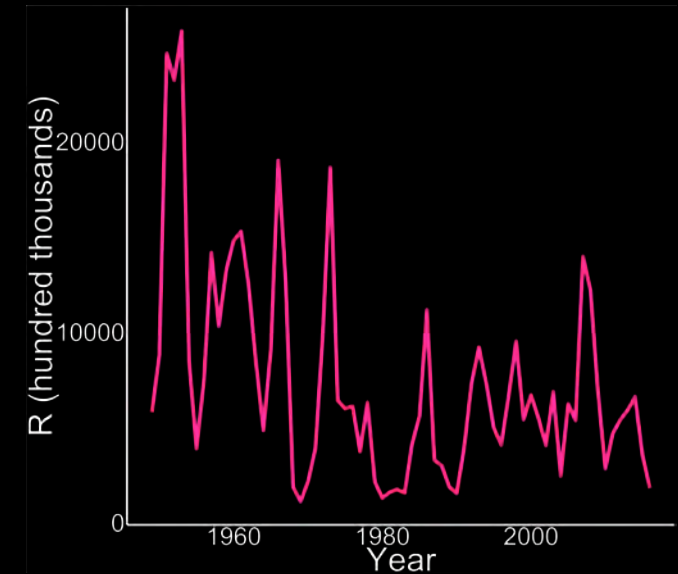
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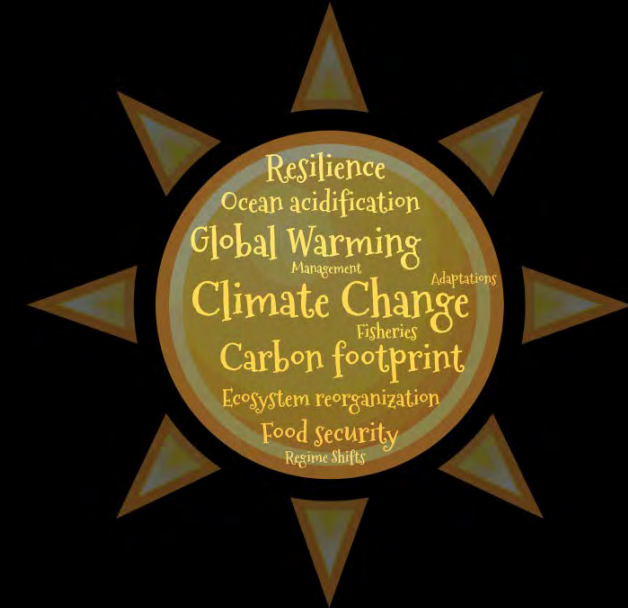
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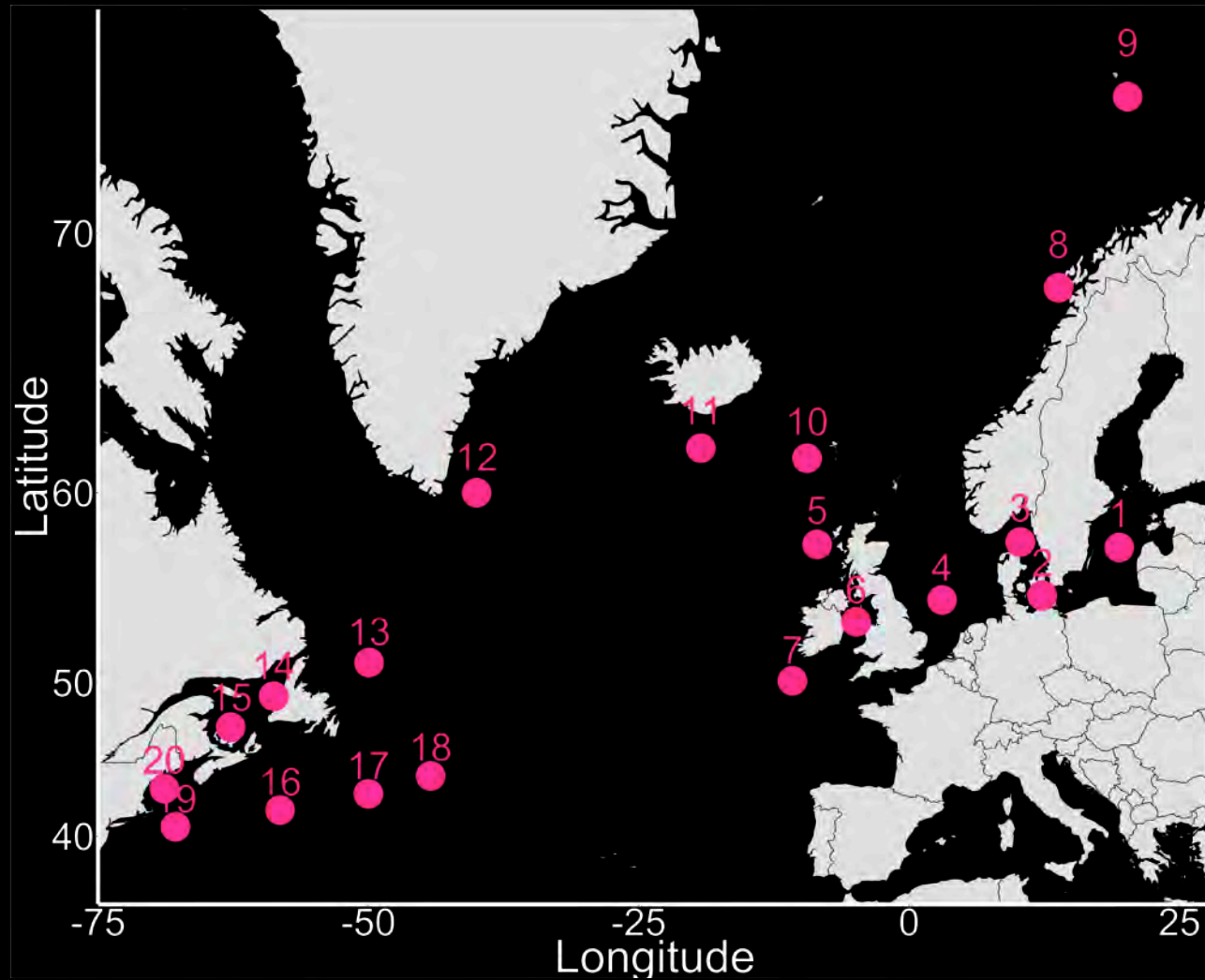
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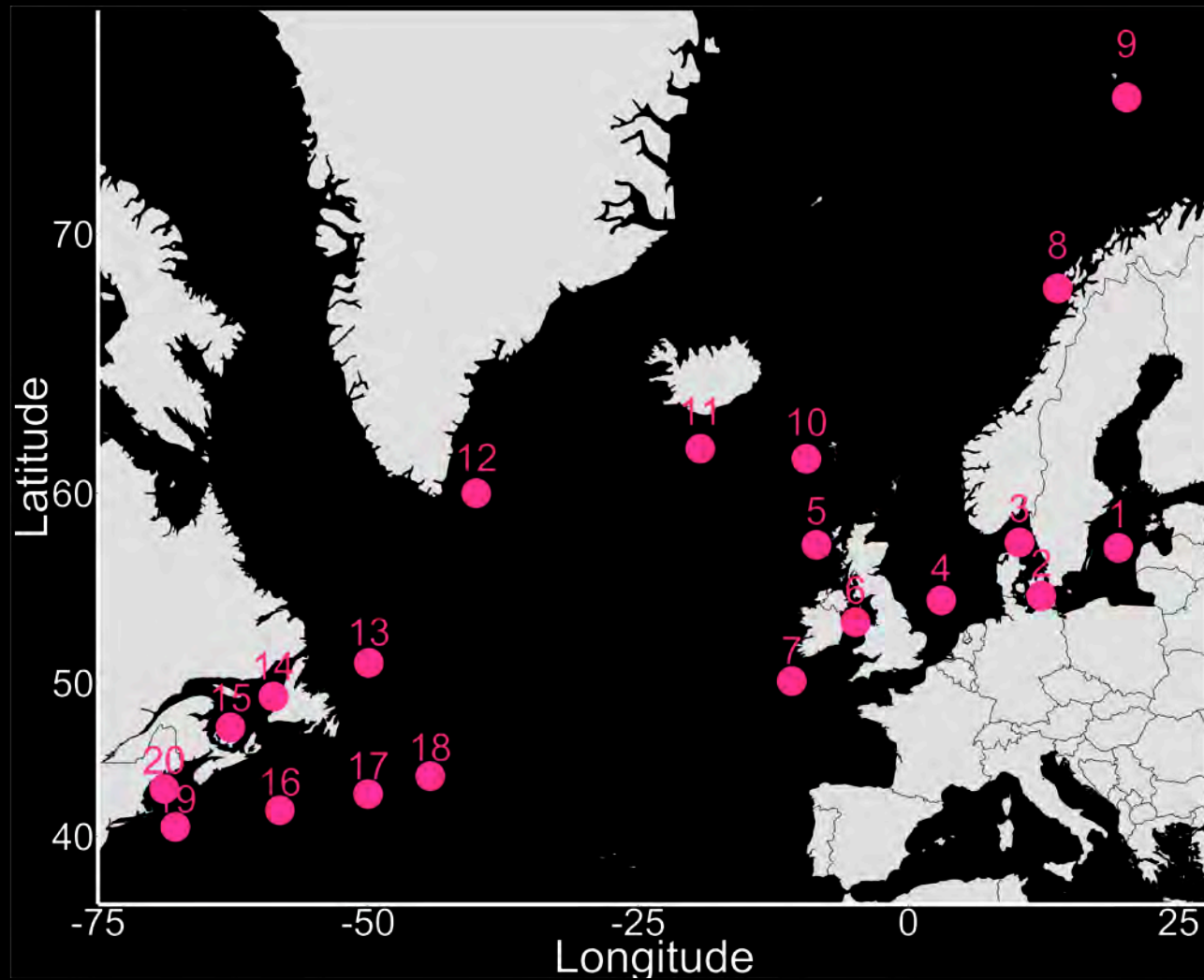
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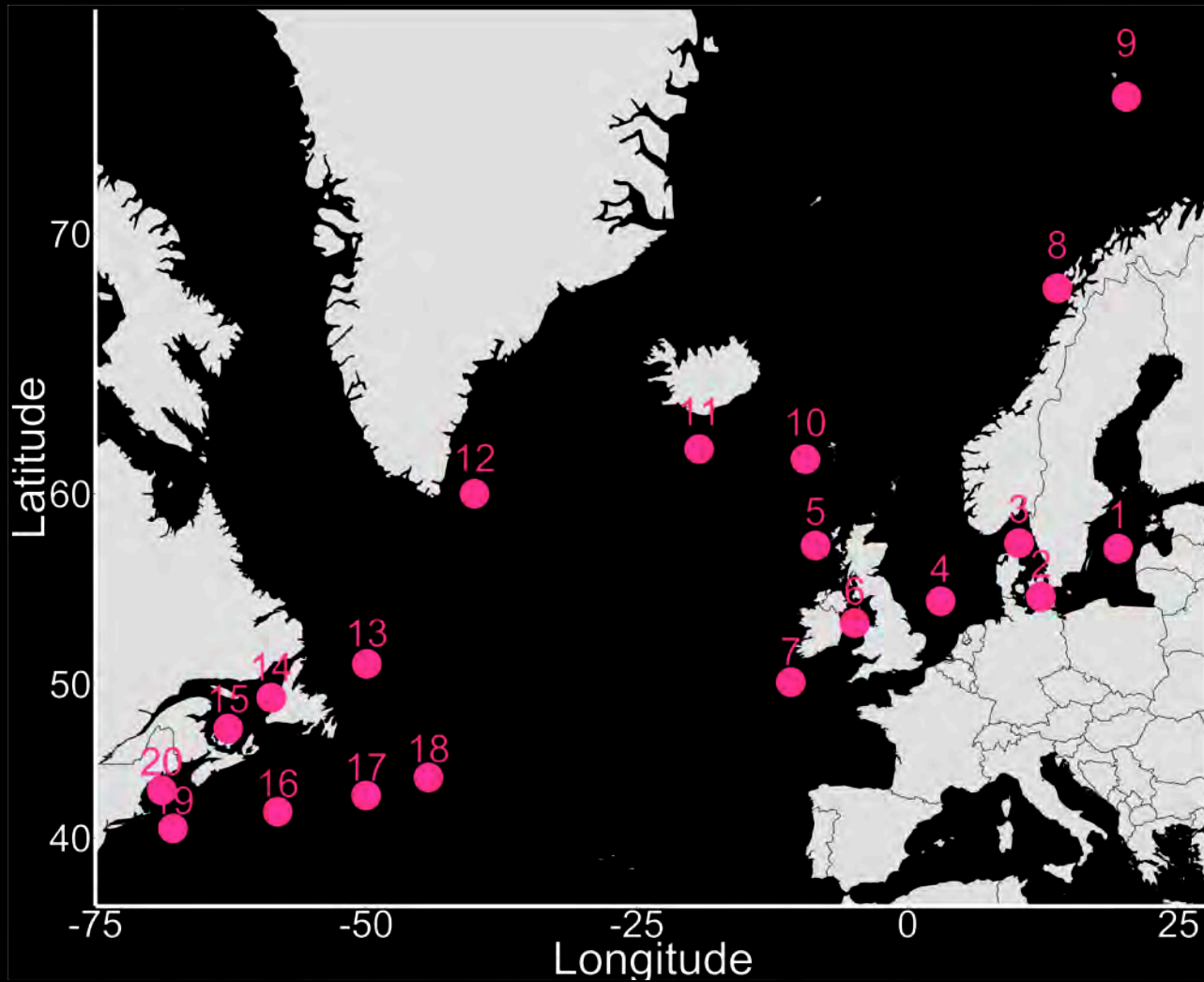
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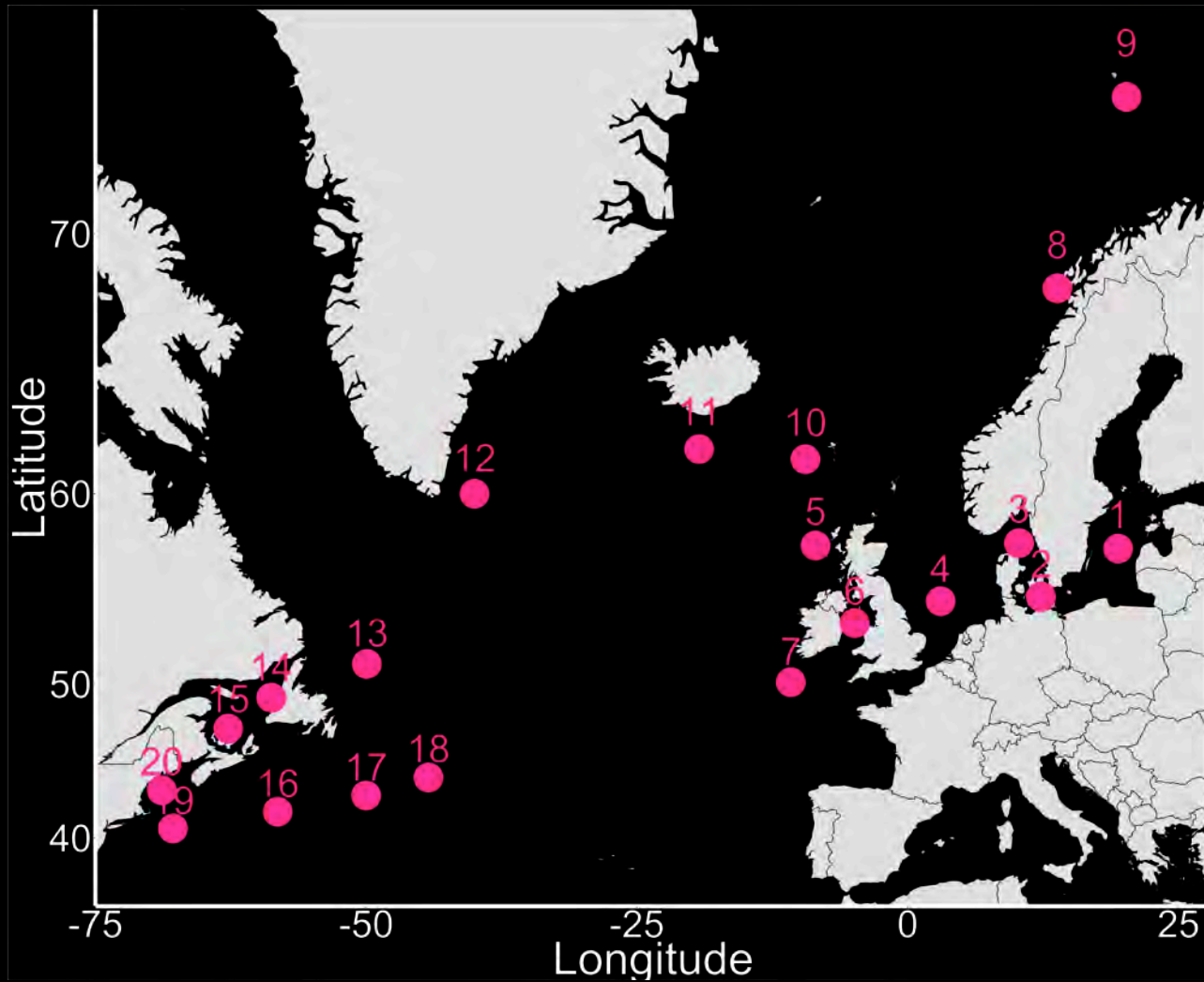


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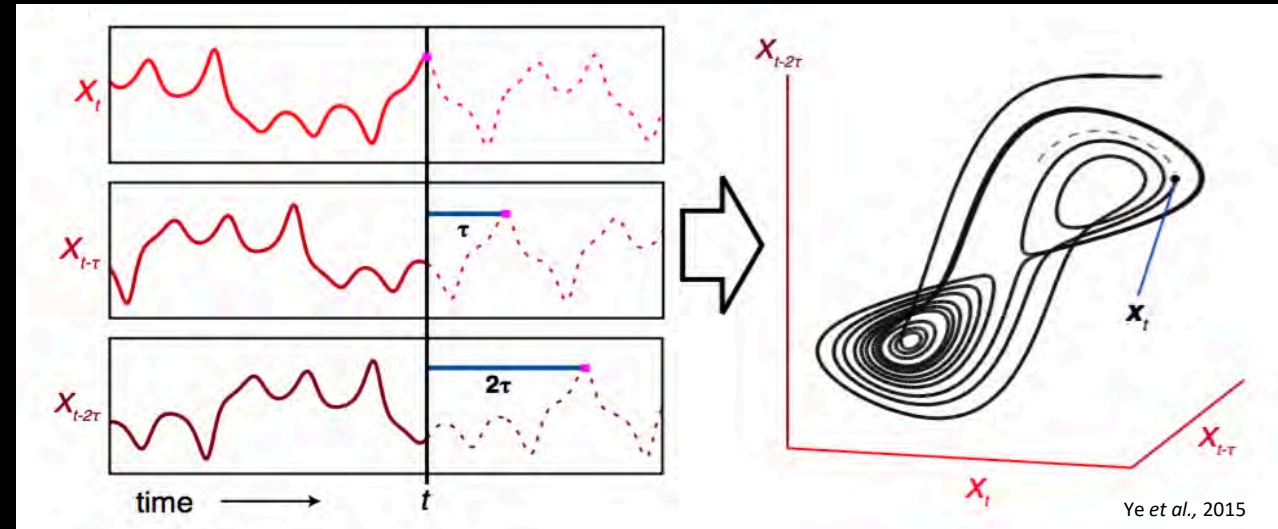
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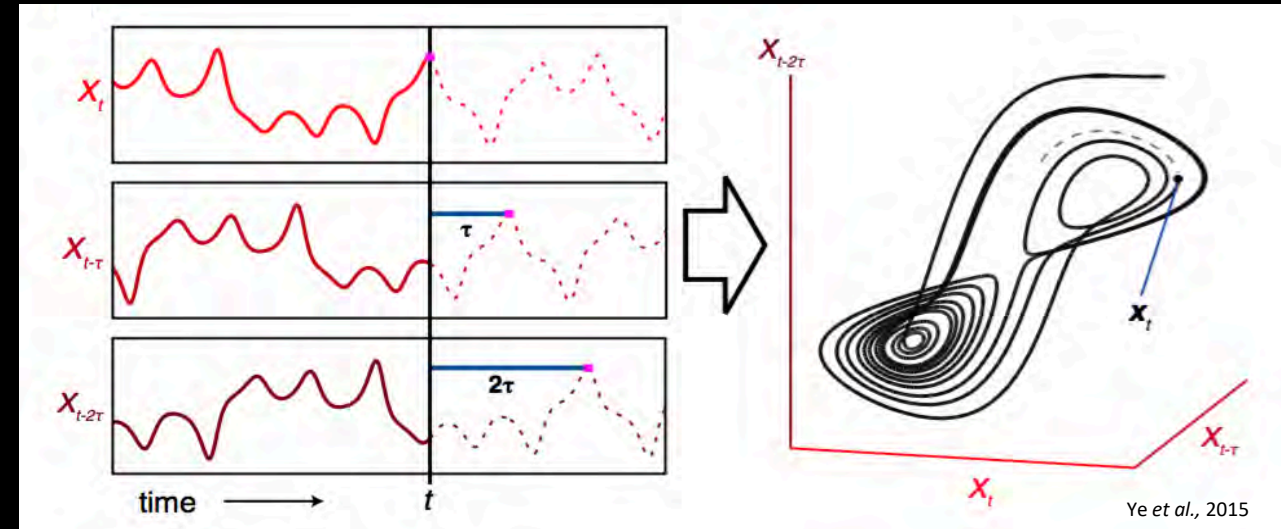
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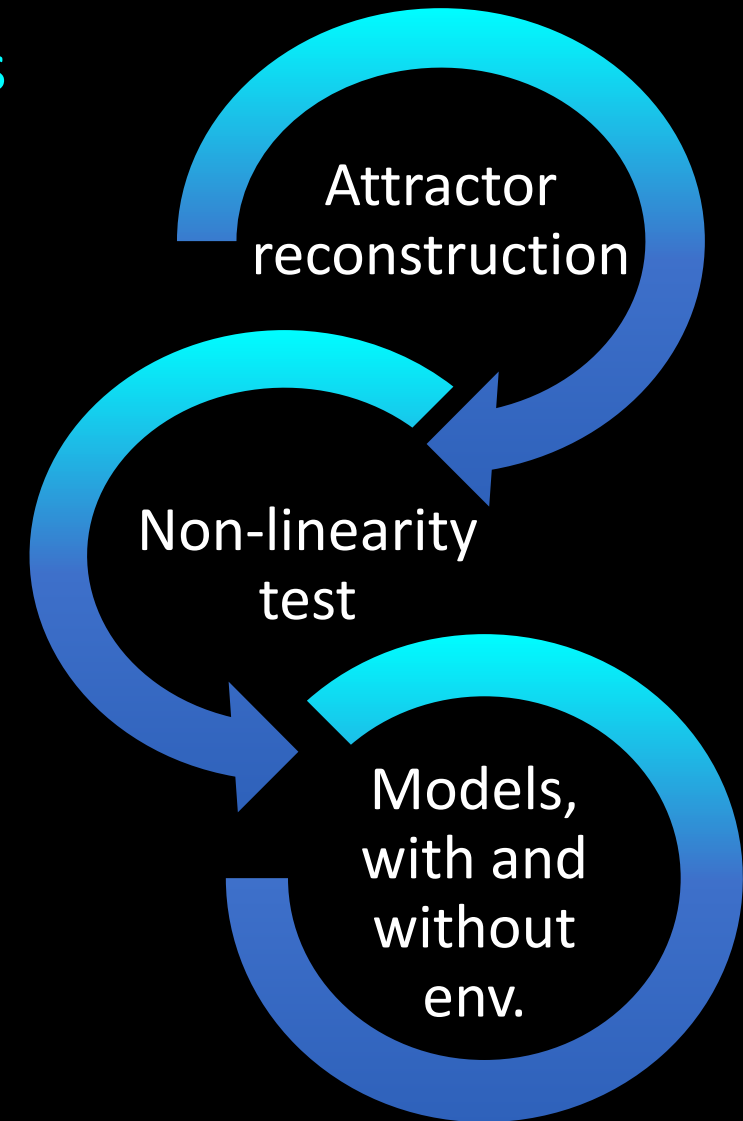
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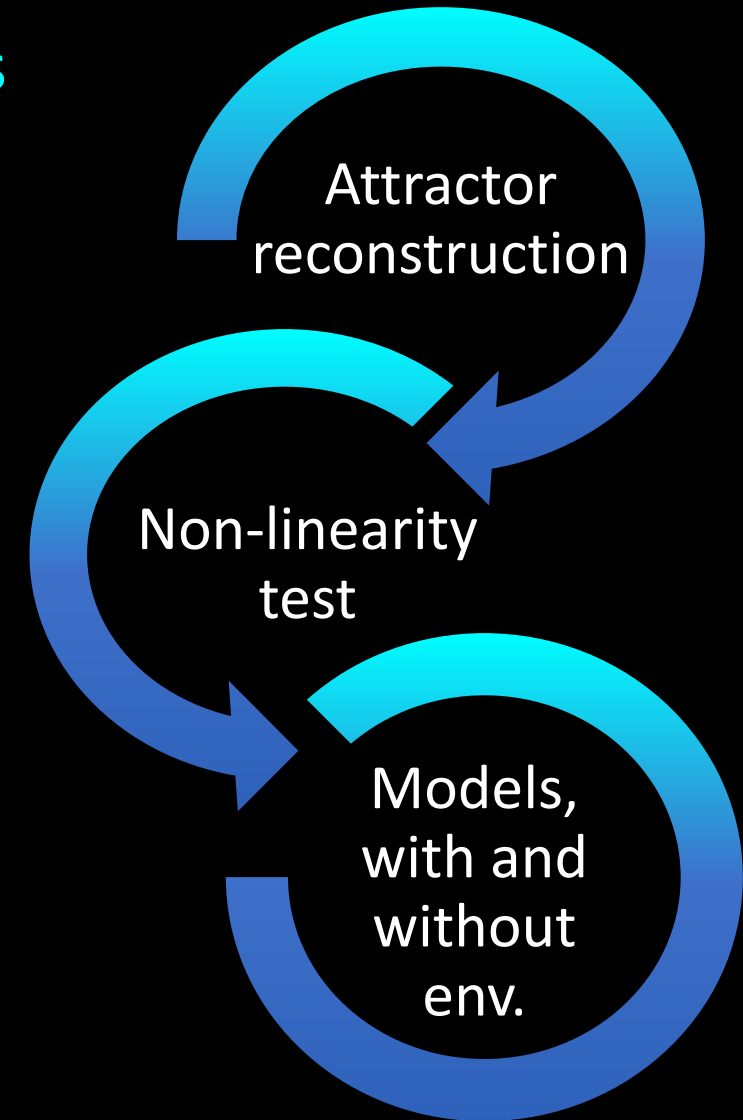


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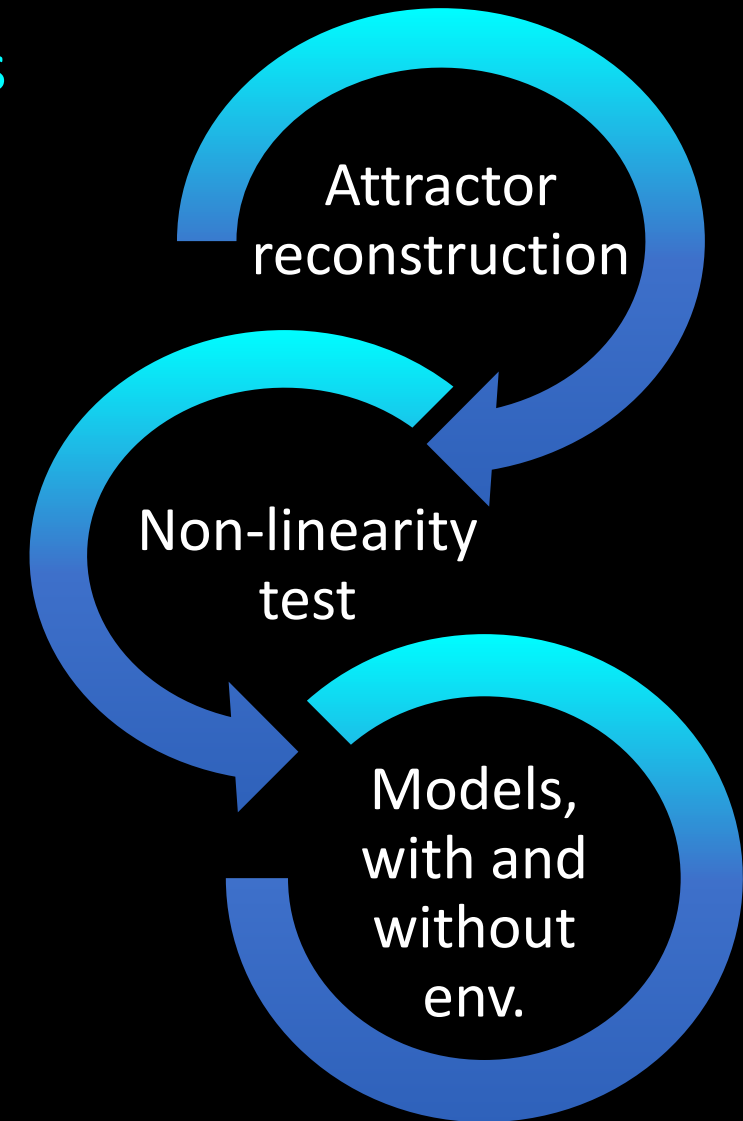
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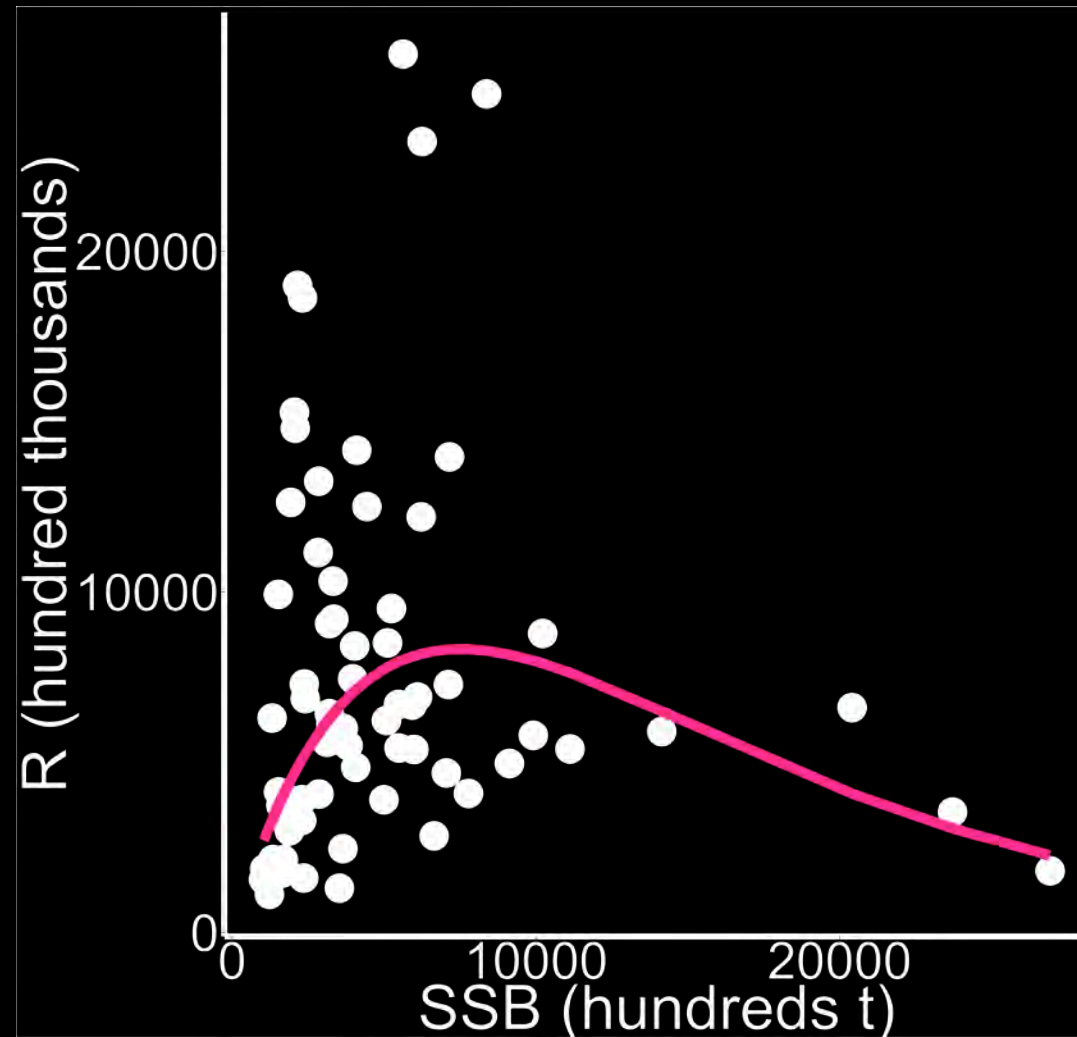
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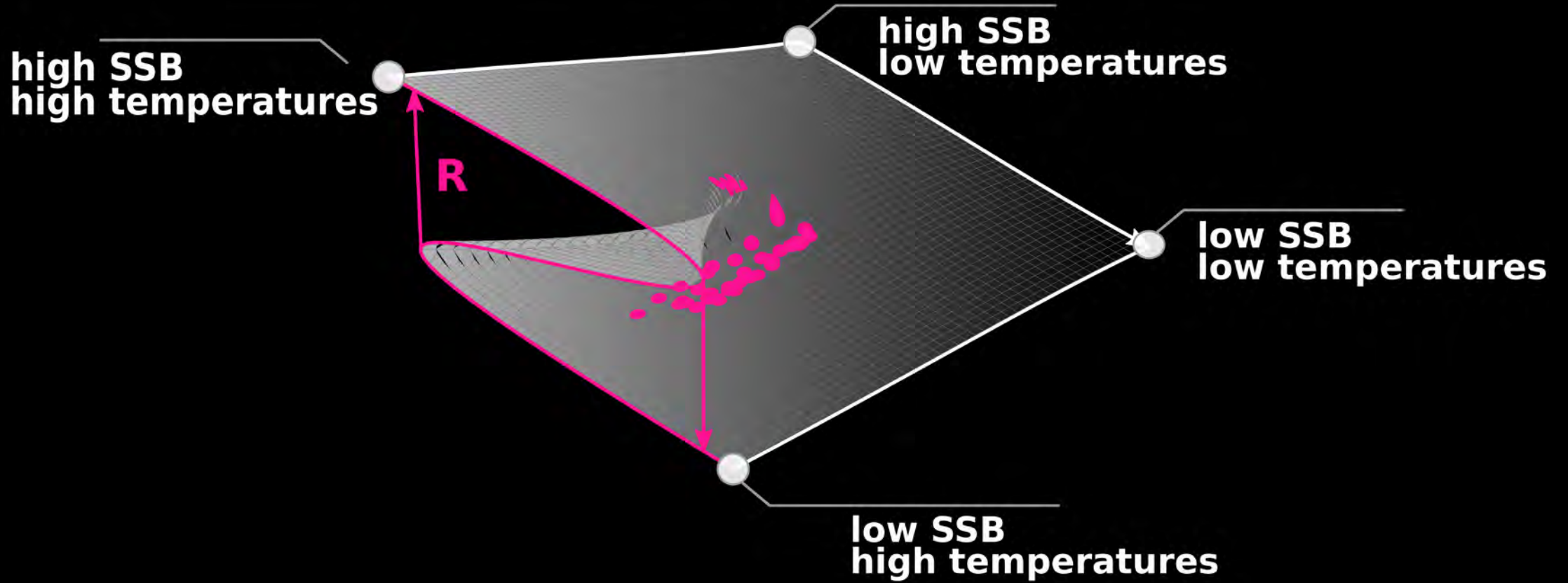
- 5 fold Cross Validation



Parametric model: Ricker S-R model



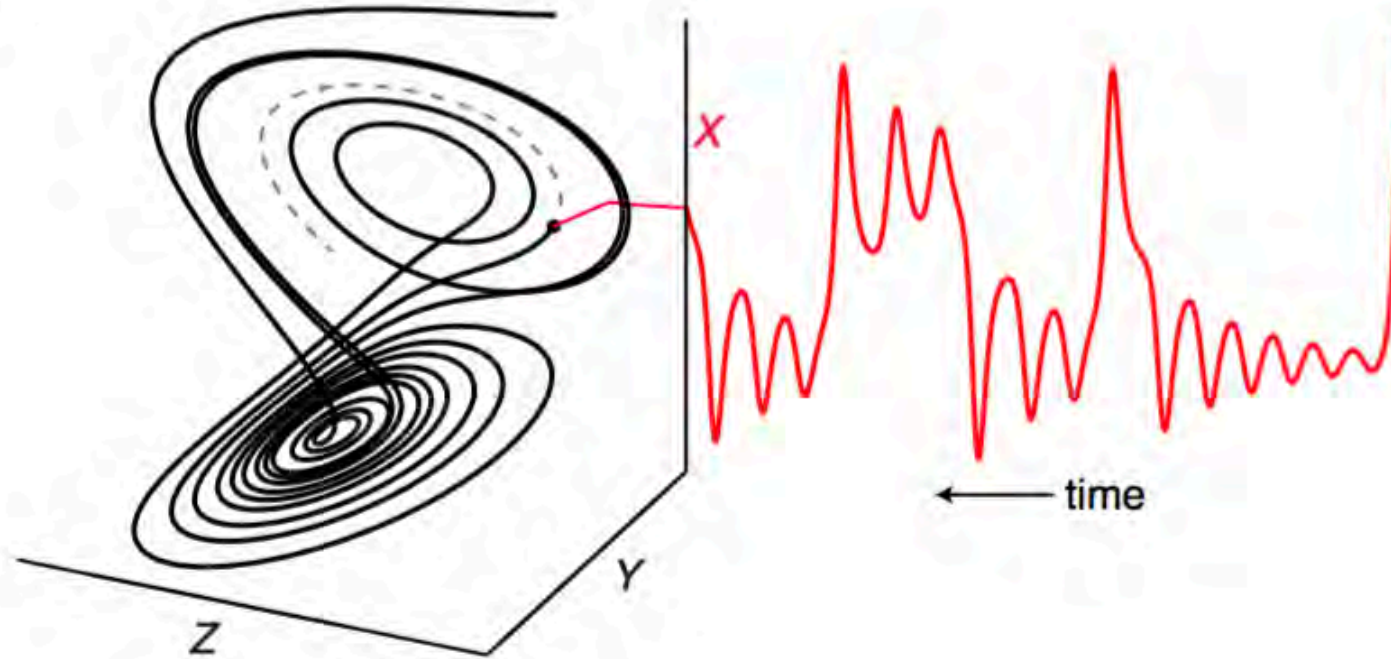
Catastrophic model: Stochastic Cusp Model



State dependent Model: Empirical Dynamic Modelling

Multivariate Simplex Projection to forecast n-dimensional system

Attractor manifold

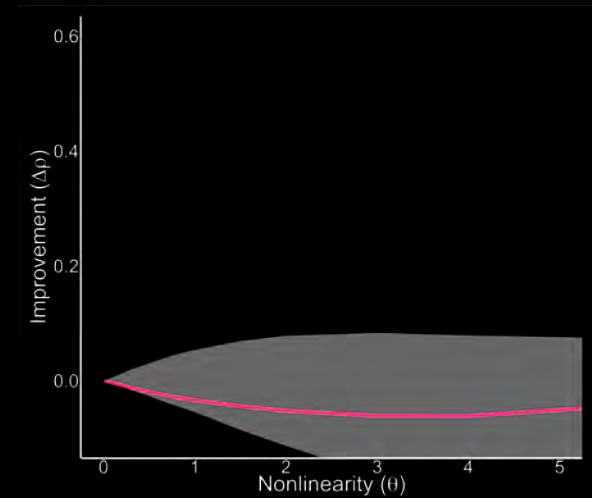
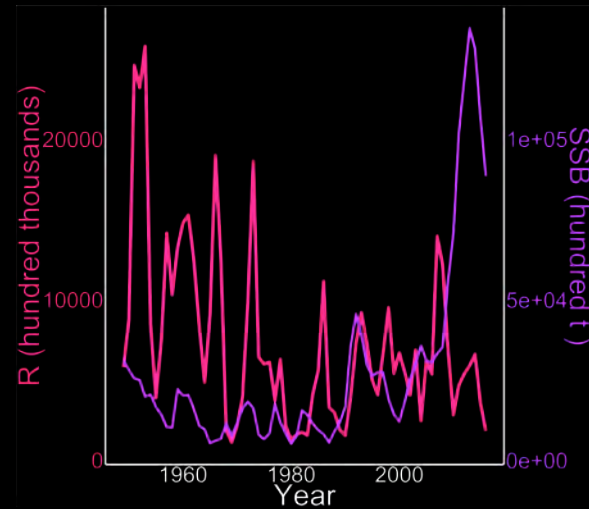


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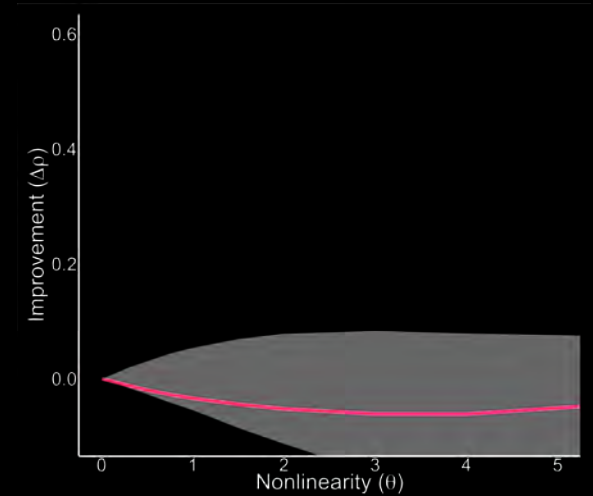
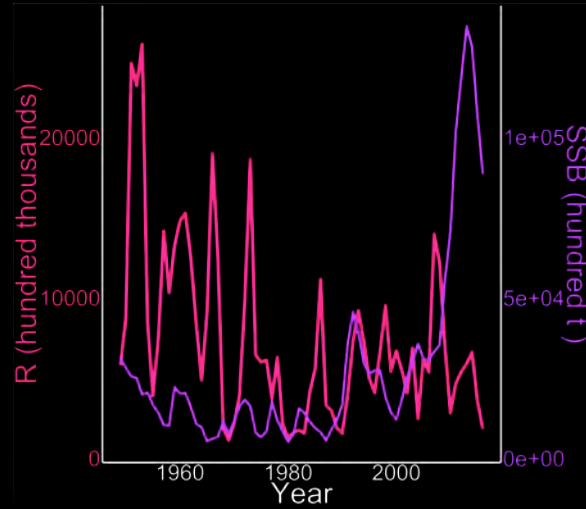
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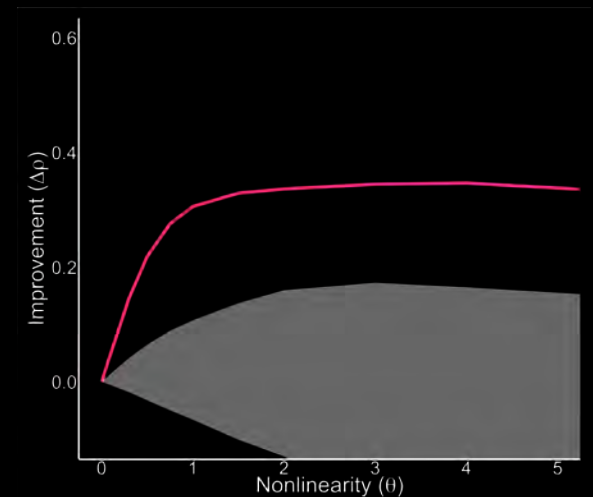
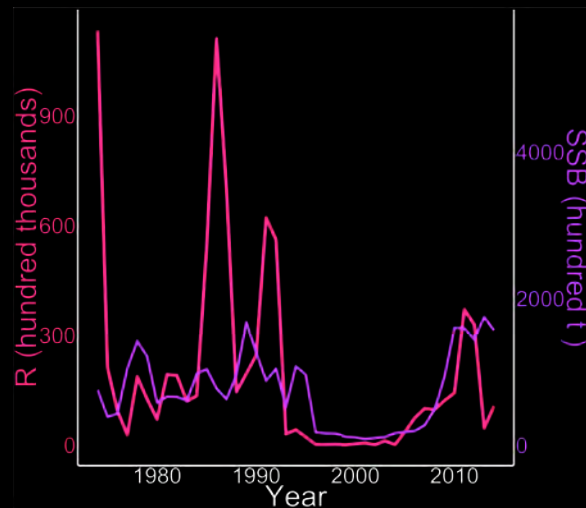


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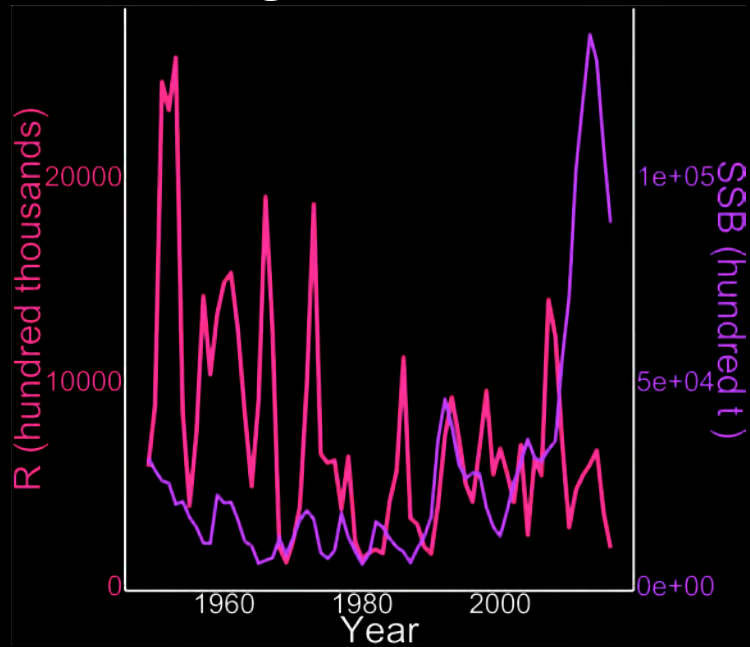
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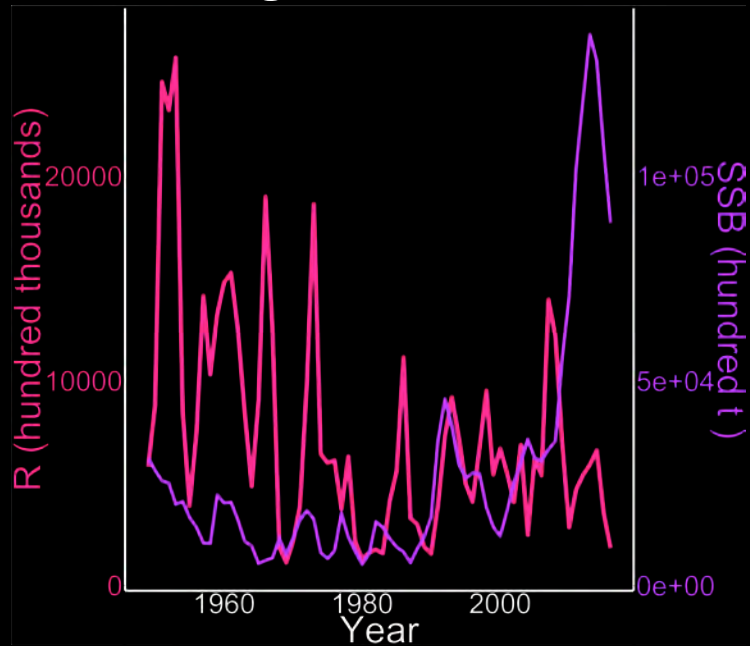
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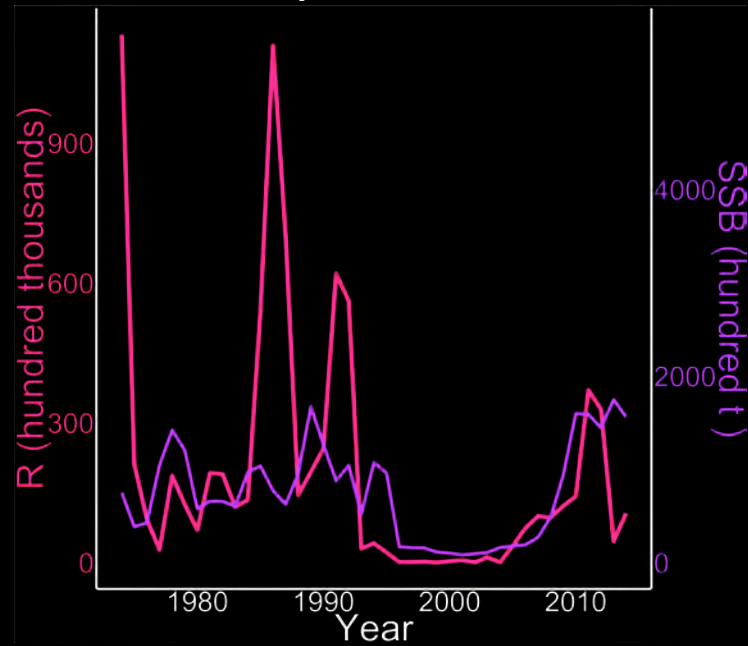
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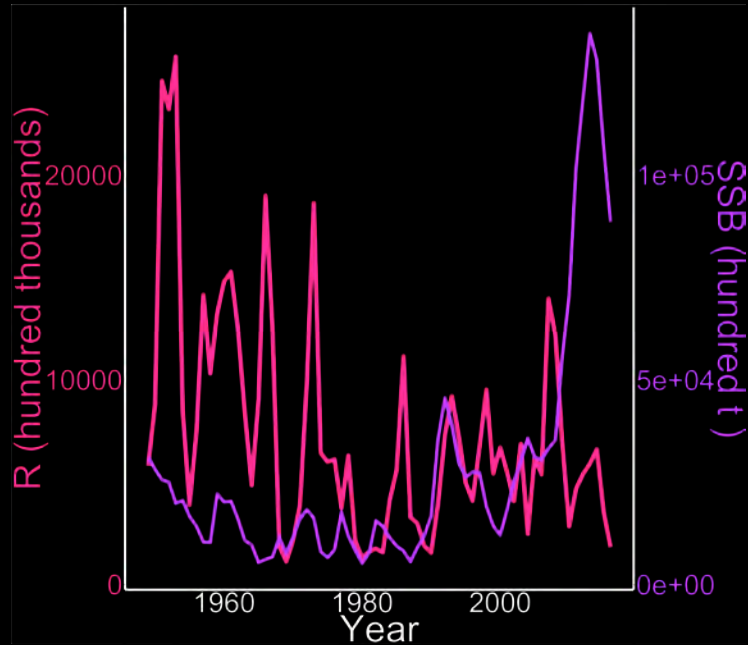
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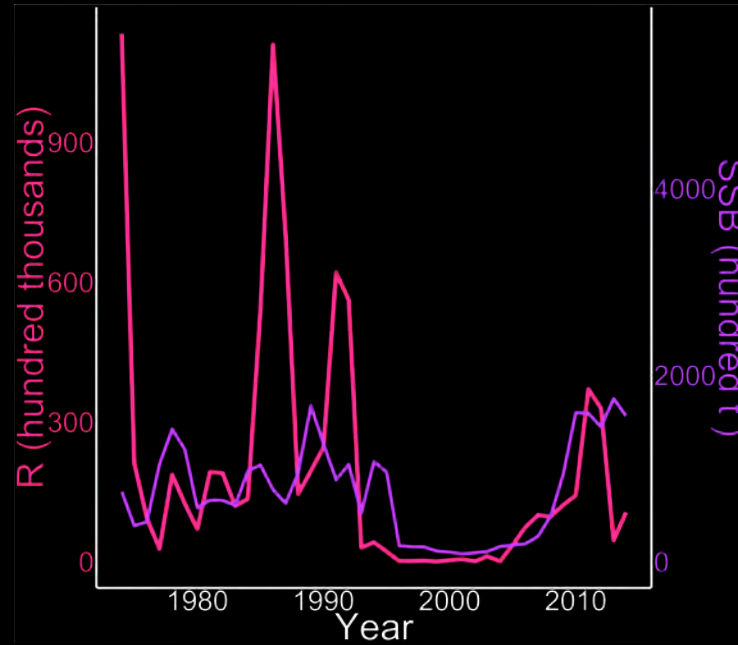
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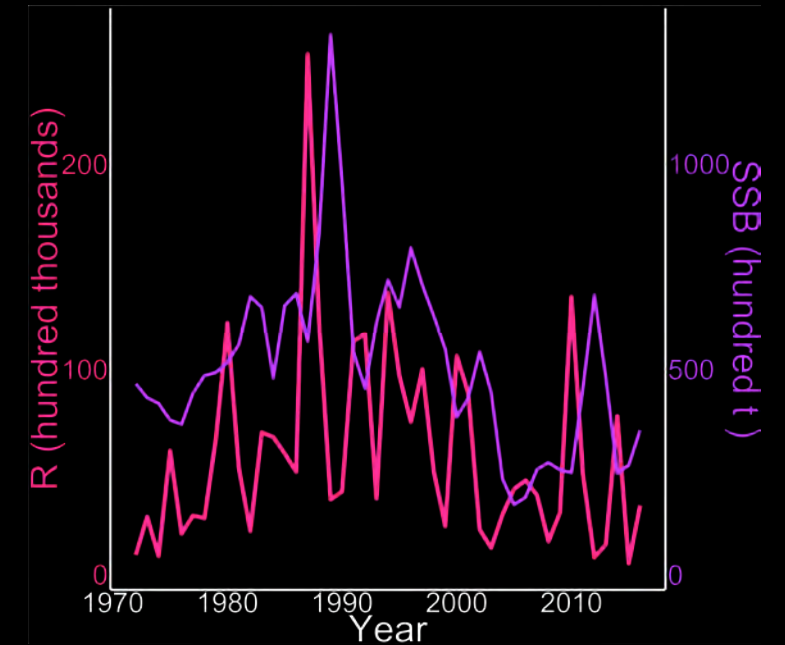
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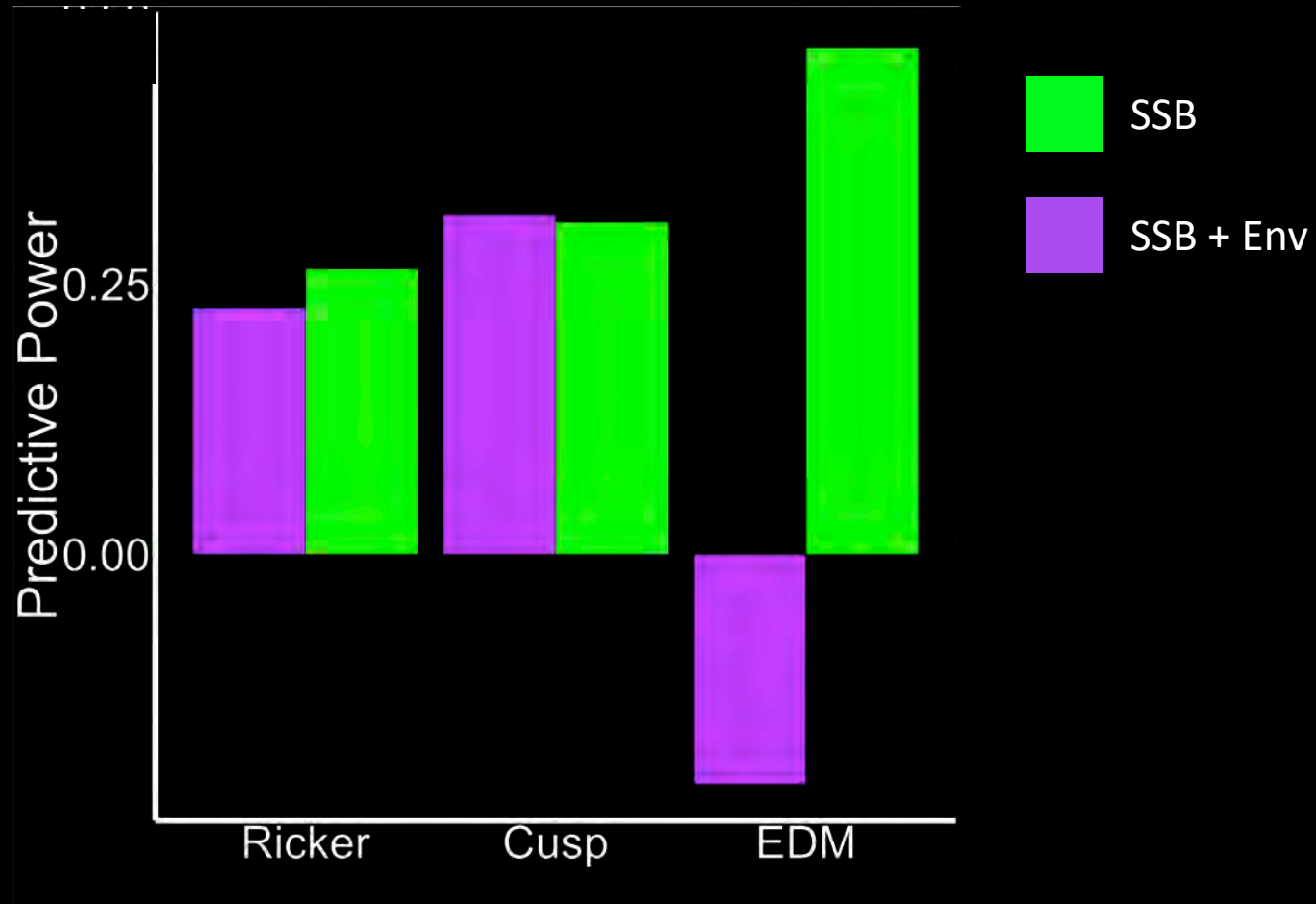
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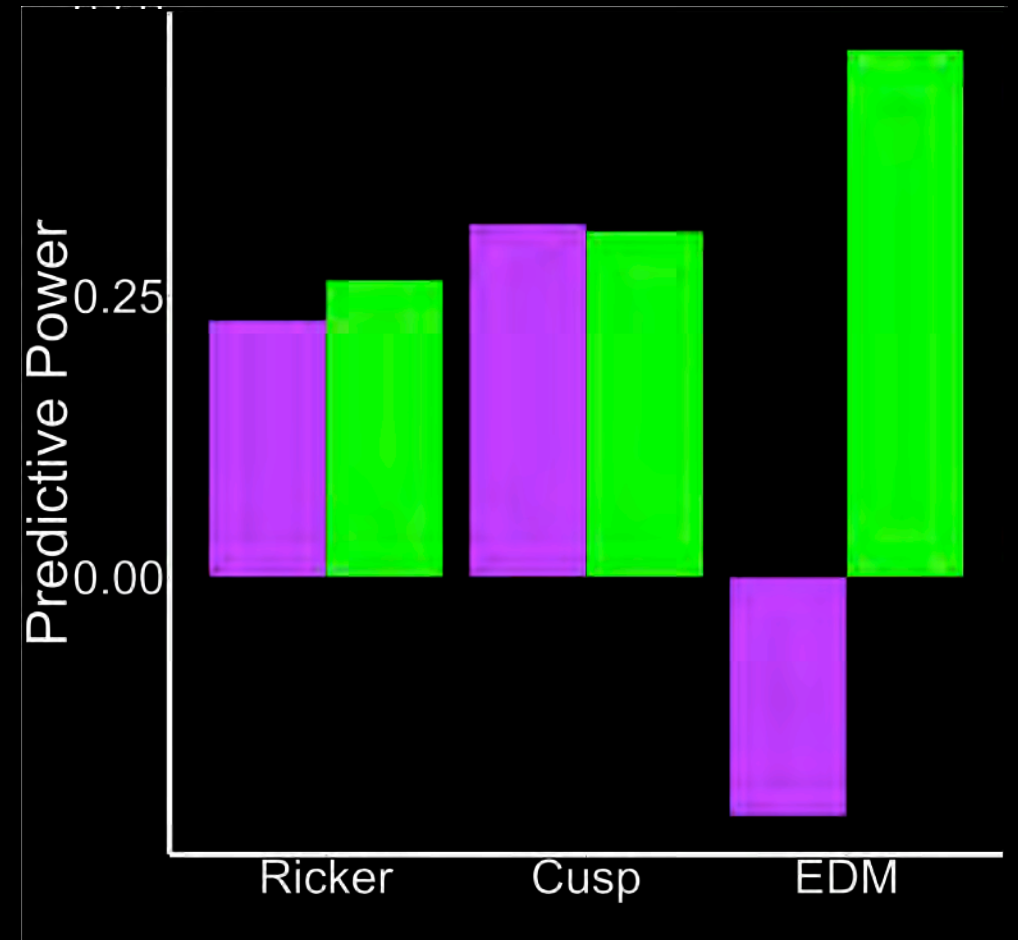
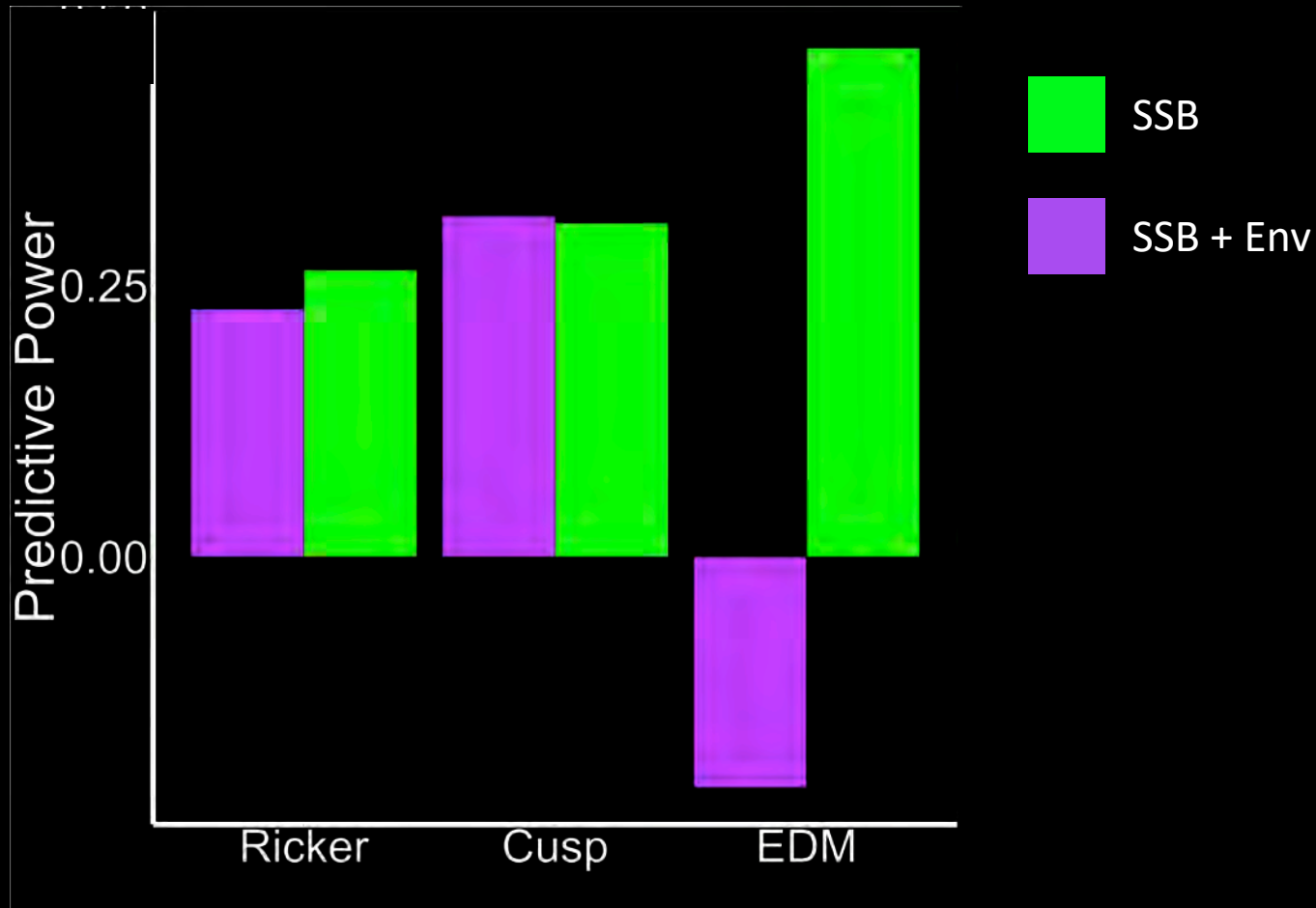


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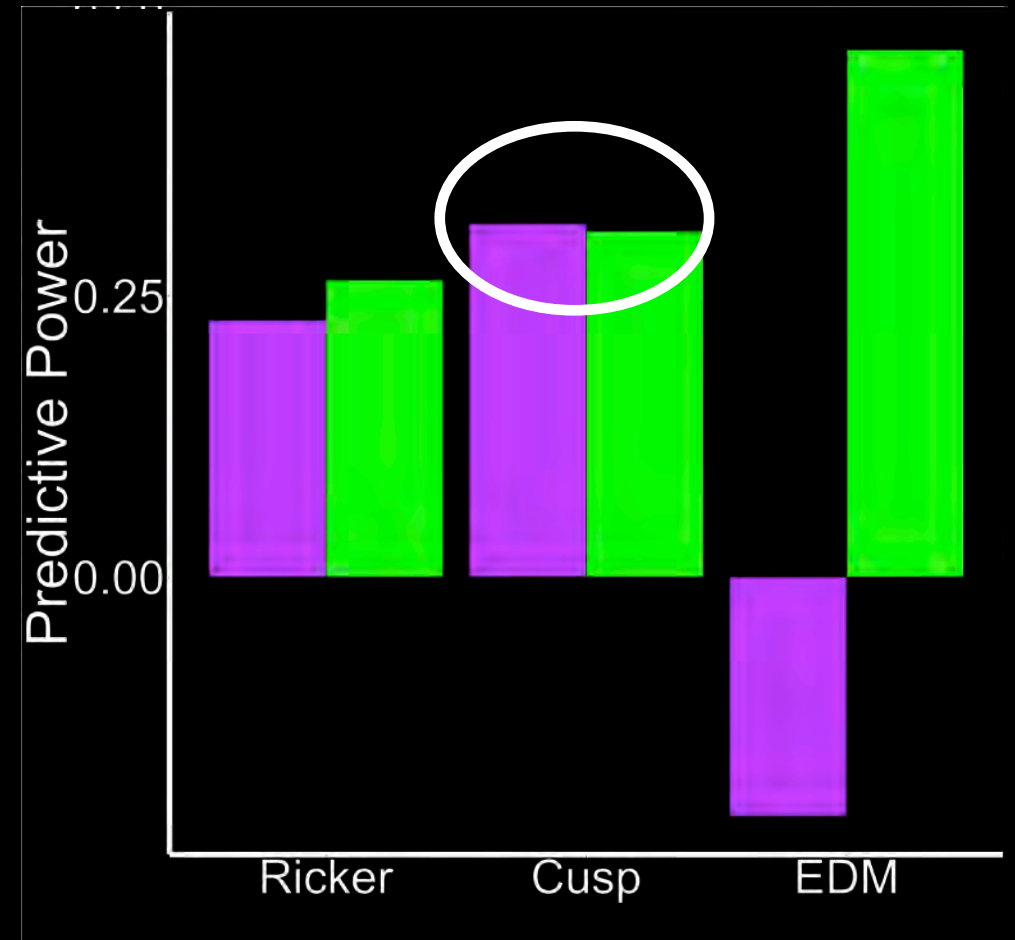
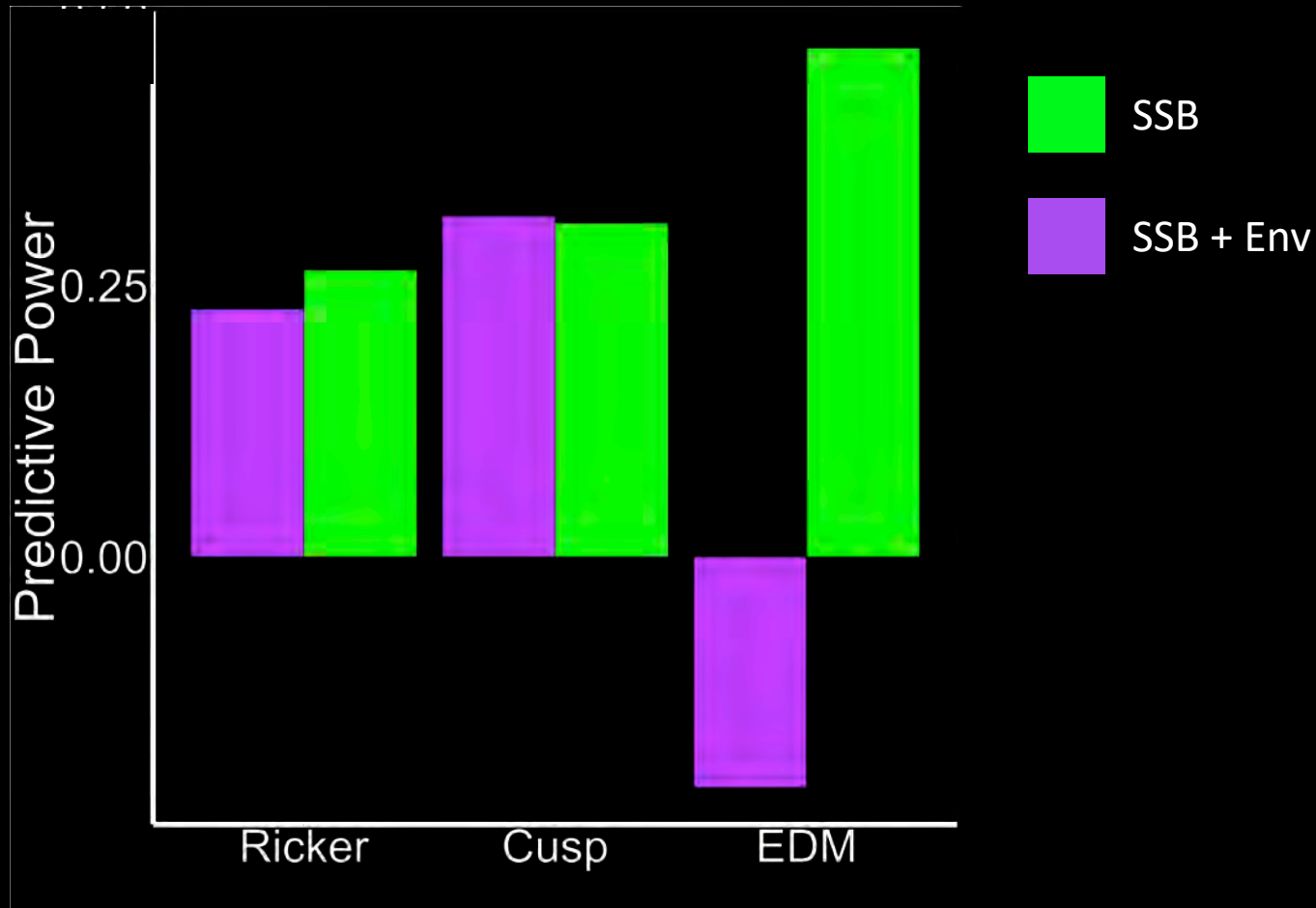
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Future perspectives

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- Understand R-SSB dynamics in Atlantic cod better
- Ways to incorporate alternative models in management



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