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# Cooperative Management of Trans-boundary Fish Stocks

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## Science on Consensus Building Methods Related to Ocean Use

Holistic approach to manage coastal and marine resources

- Fisheries and aquaculture
  - Shipping
  - Energy
  - Recreation
  - etc.
- Building **consensus** among resource users



# Trans-boundary Fish Stocks

- 1995 UN Fish Stocks Agreement
- Consensus
  - International cooperation
- Incentives for cooperation
- What are the economic benefits from cooperatively managing the trans-boundary fish stocks?



# Previous Economic Studies on Managing Trans-boundary Fish Stocks

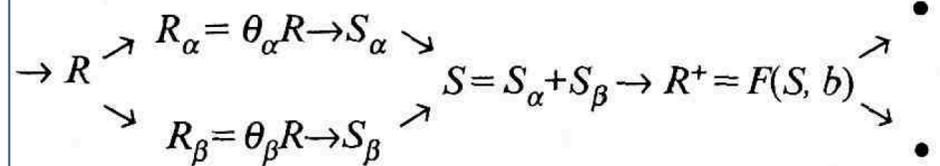
## Shared stocks:

- Munro (1979)
- Levhari & Mirman (1980)

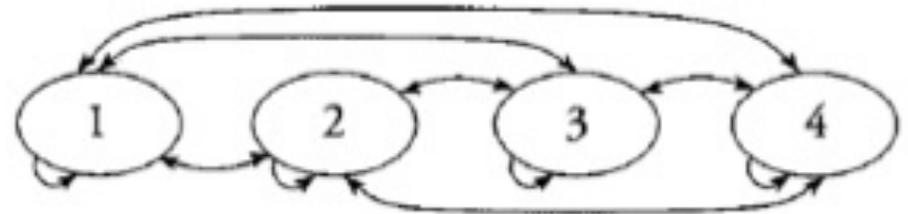
## Migrating stocks:

- Golubtsov & McKelevy (2007)
  - Split-stream Harvesting
- Sanchirico & Wilen (1999); Costello & Polasky (2008)
  - Patchy Environment

### Split-stream Harvesting

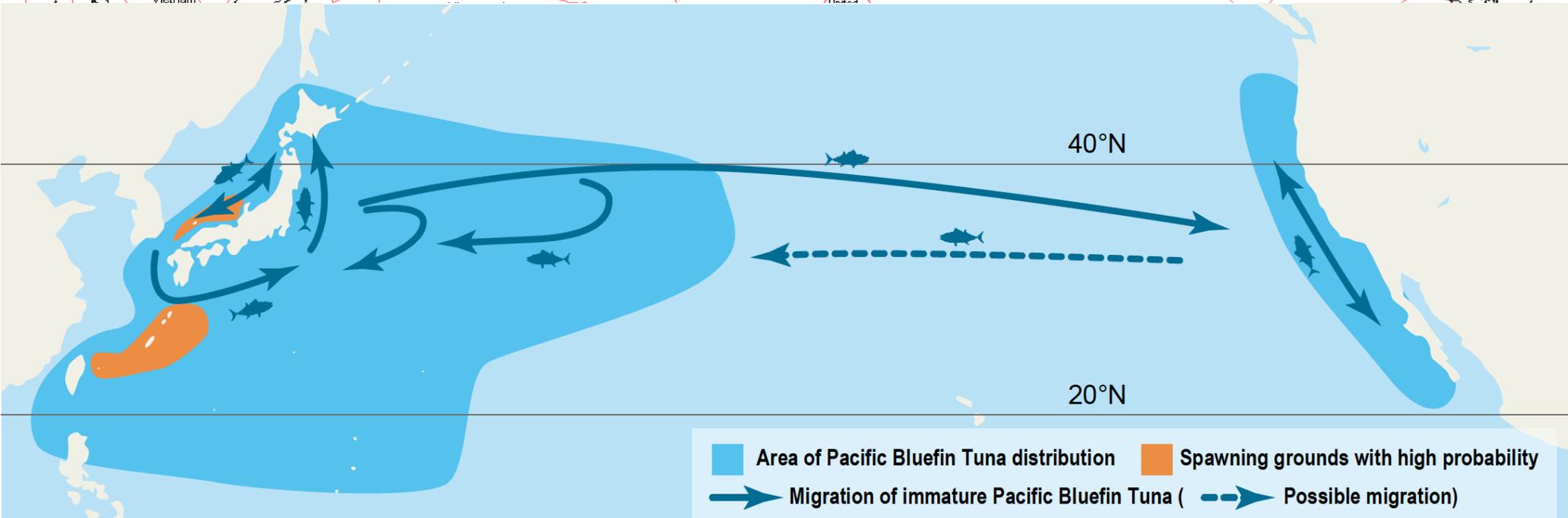
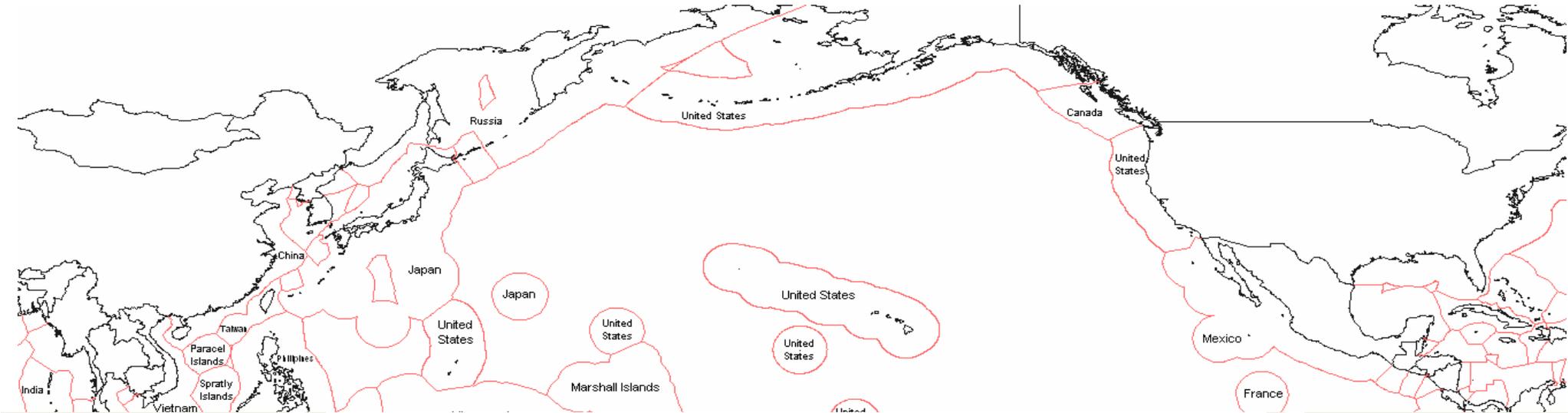


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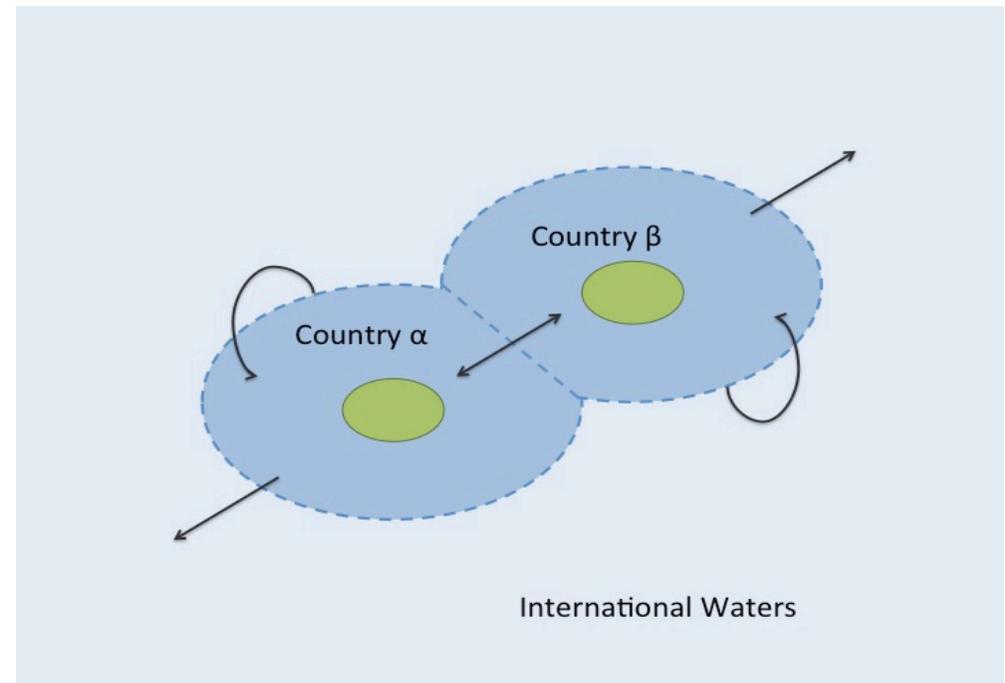
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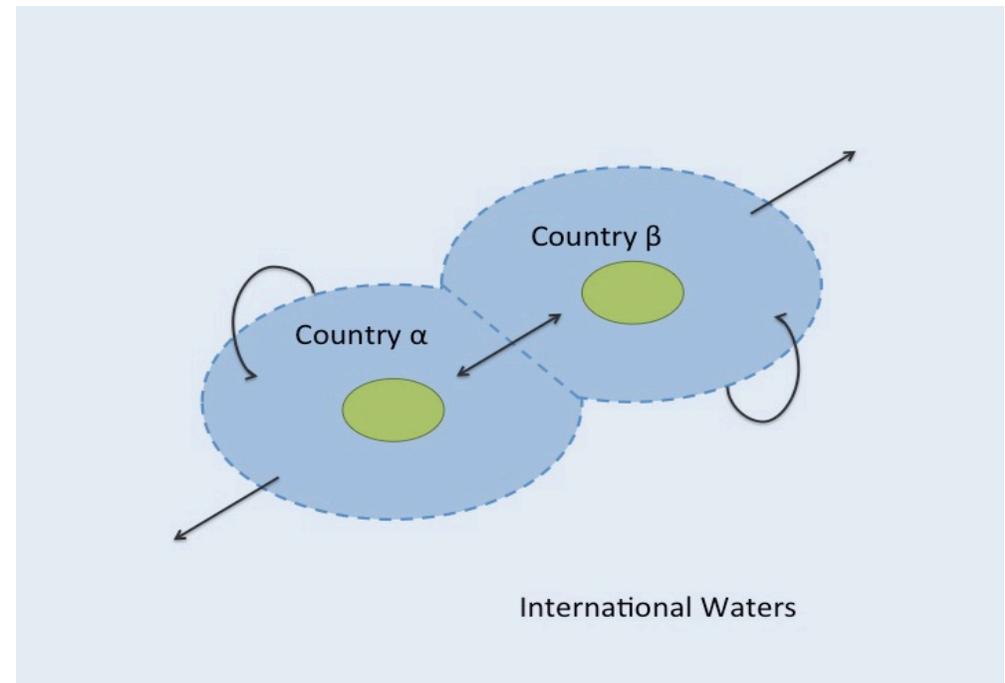
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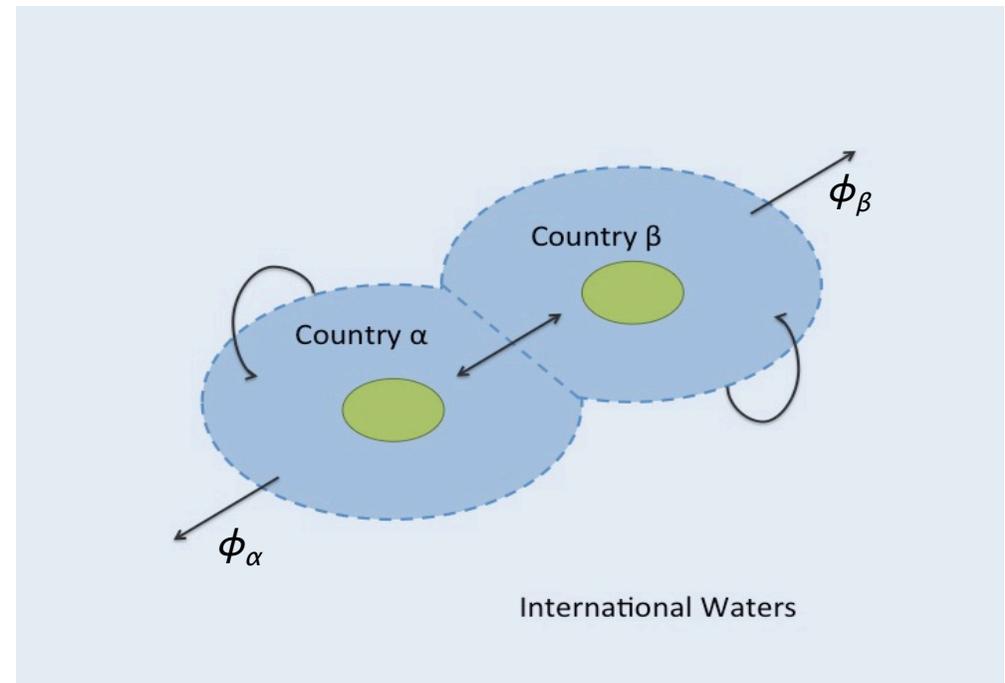


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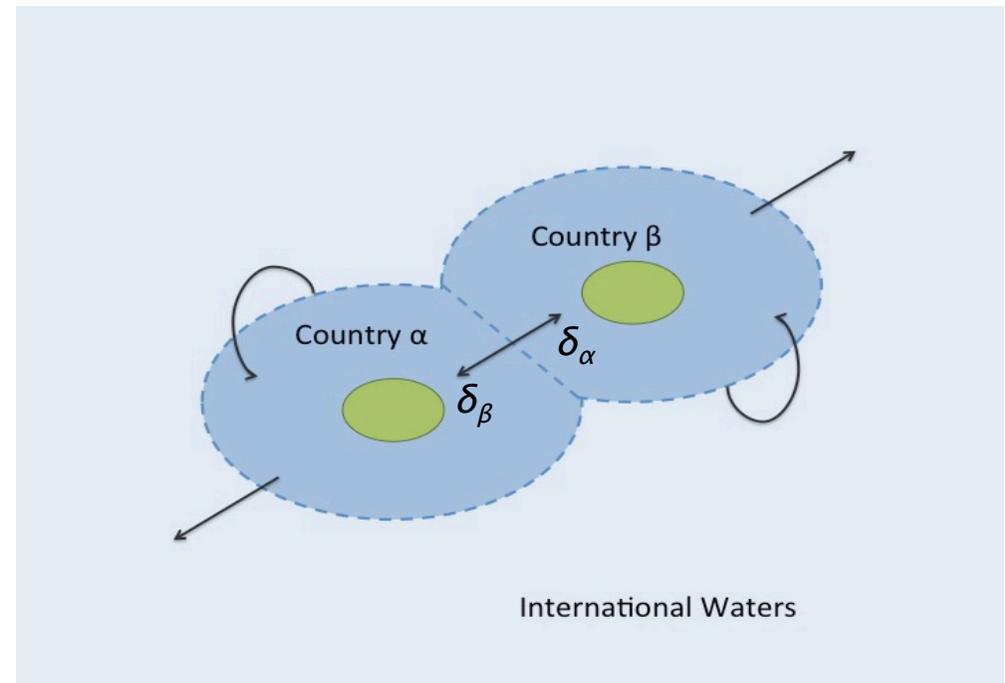


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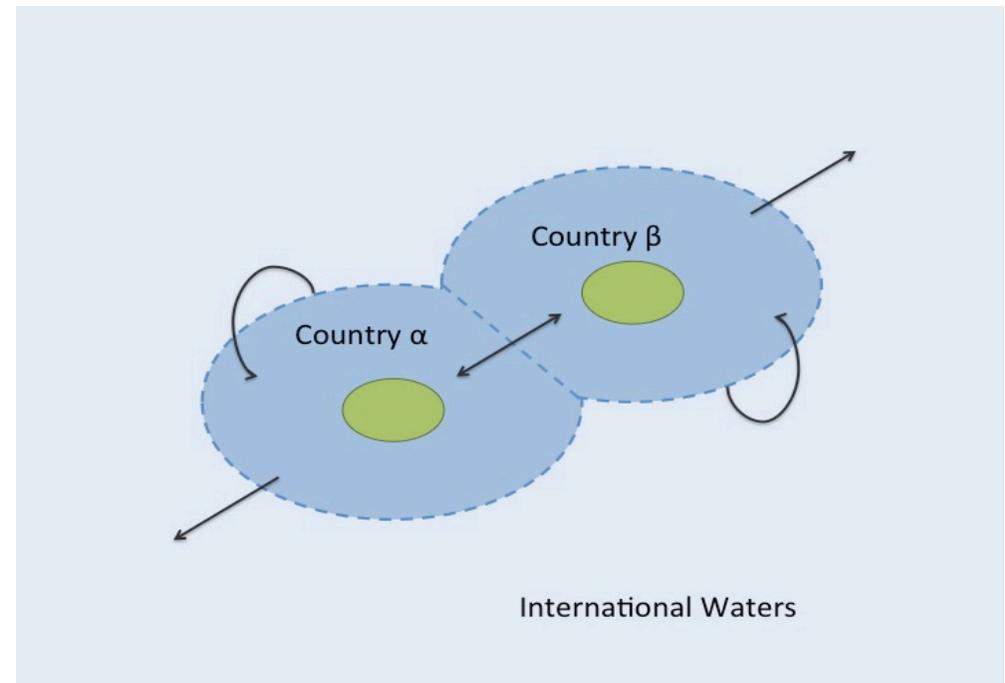


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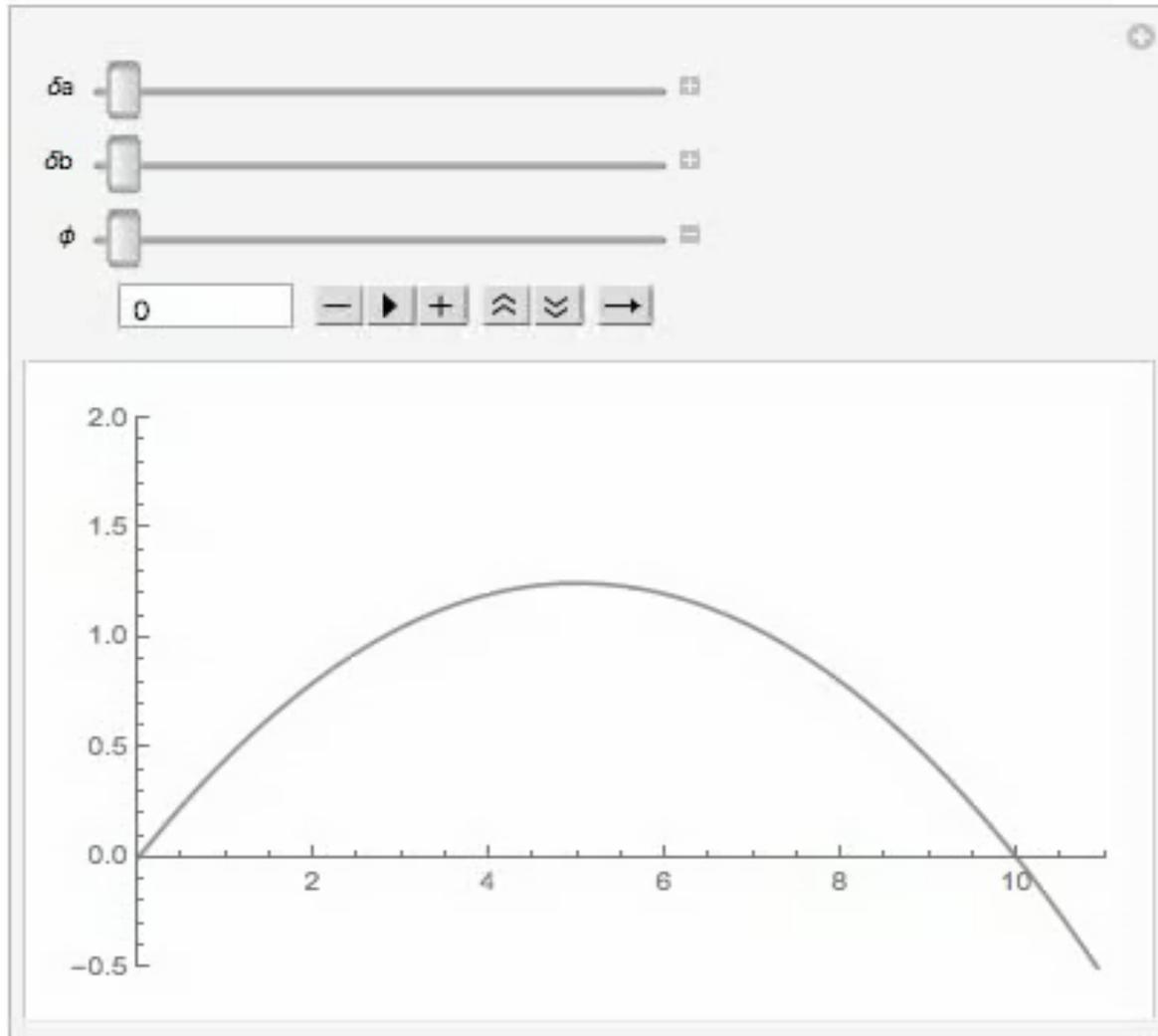
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# Fish Growth Function

$$x_{\beta,t} = F(S_{\beta,t}) - (\phi_{\beta} + \delta_{\beta})S_{\beta,t} + \delta_{\alpha}\bar{S}_{\alpha,t}$$



$\delta_{\alpha}$  : % from neighbor (in)

$\delta_{\beta}$  : % to neighbor (out)

$\phi_{\beta}$  : % to int'l waters

# Cooperative Management

Maximize joint net benefit (= revenue – cost) given resource constraints

## Joint Maximization Problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{x_{\alpha,t}, x_{\beta,t}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\rho t} [px_{\alpha,t} + px_{\beta,t} - c(S_{\alpha,t})x_{\alpha,t} - c(S_{\beta,t})x_{\beta,t}] dt \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \dot{S}_{\alpha,t} = F(S_{\alpha,t}) - x_{\alpha,t} - (\phi_{\alpha} + \delta_{\alpha})S_{\alpha,t} + \delta_{\beta}S_{\beta,t} \\ & \quad \dot{S}_{\beta,t} = F(S_{\beta,t}) - x_{\beta,t} - (\phi_{\beta} + \delta_{\beta})S_{\beta,t} + \delta_{\alpha}S_{\alpha,t} \\ & \quad S_0 \text{ given} \\ & \quad x_{i,t} \in [0, x^{\max}] \end{aligned}$$

# Independent Management

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# Steady State Conditions

## Cooperative Management

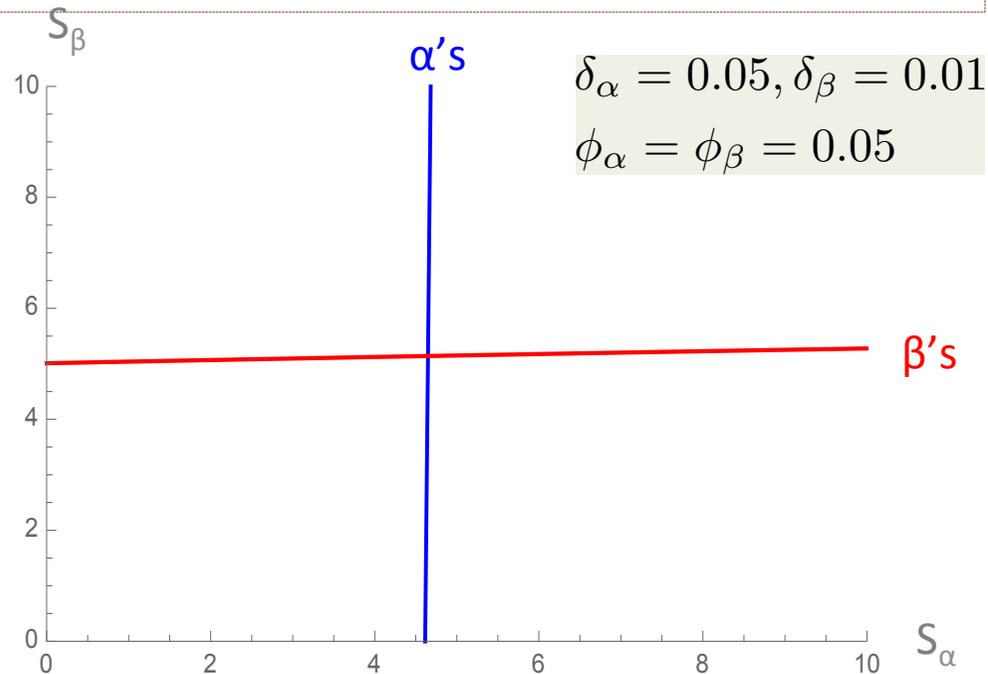
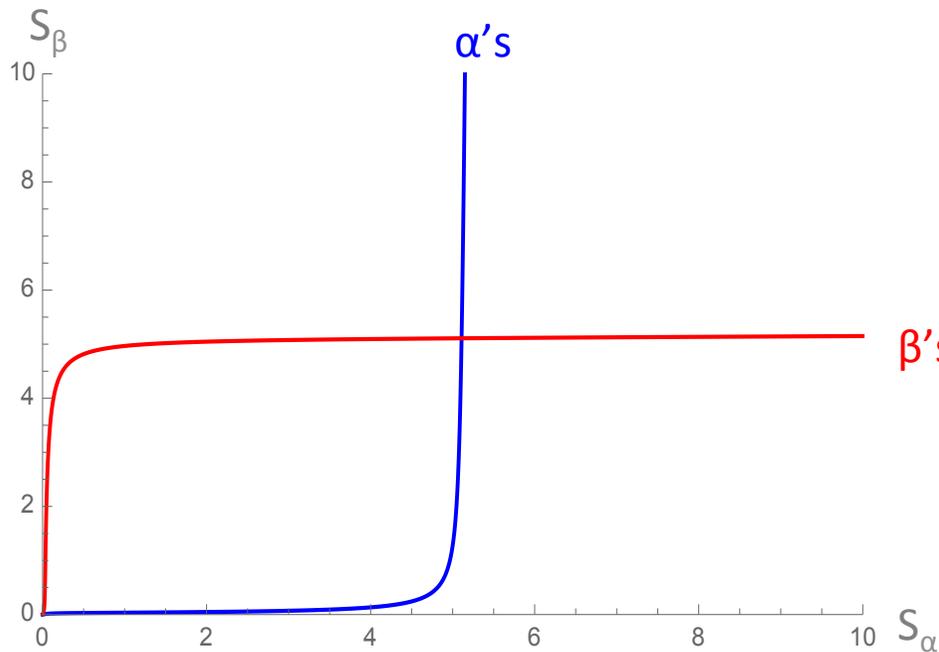
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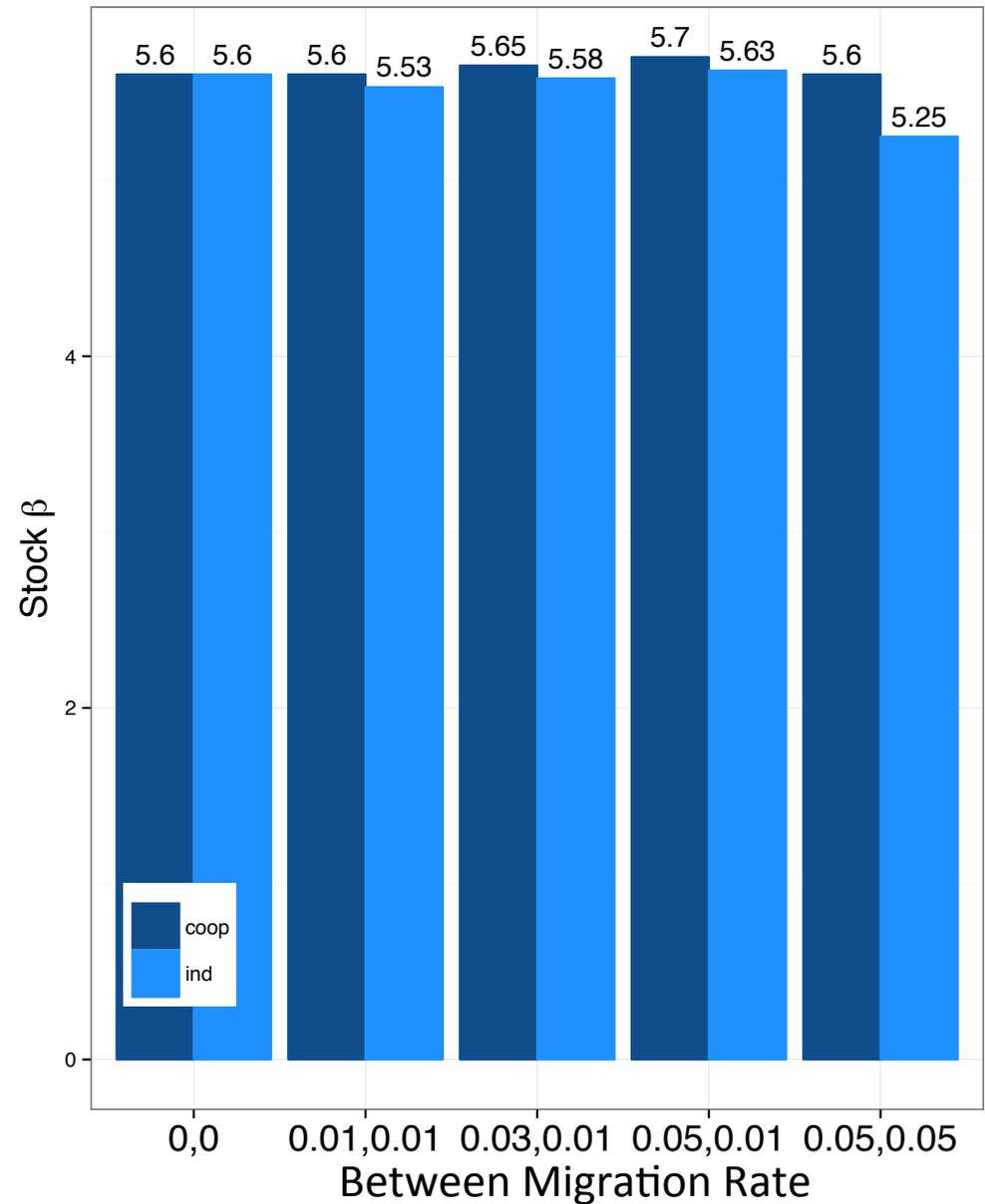
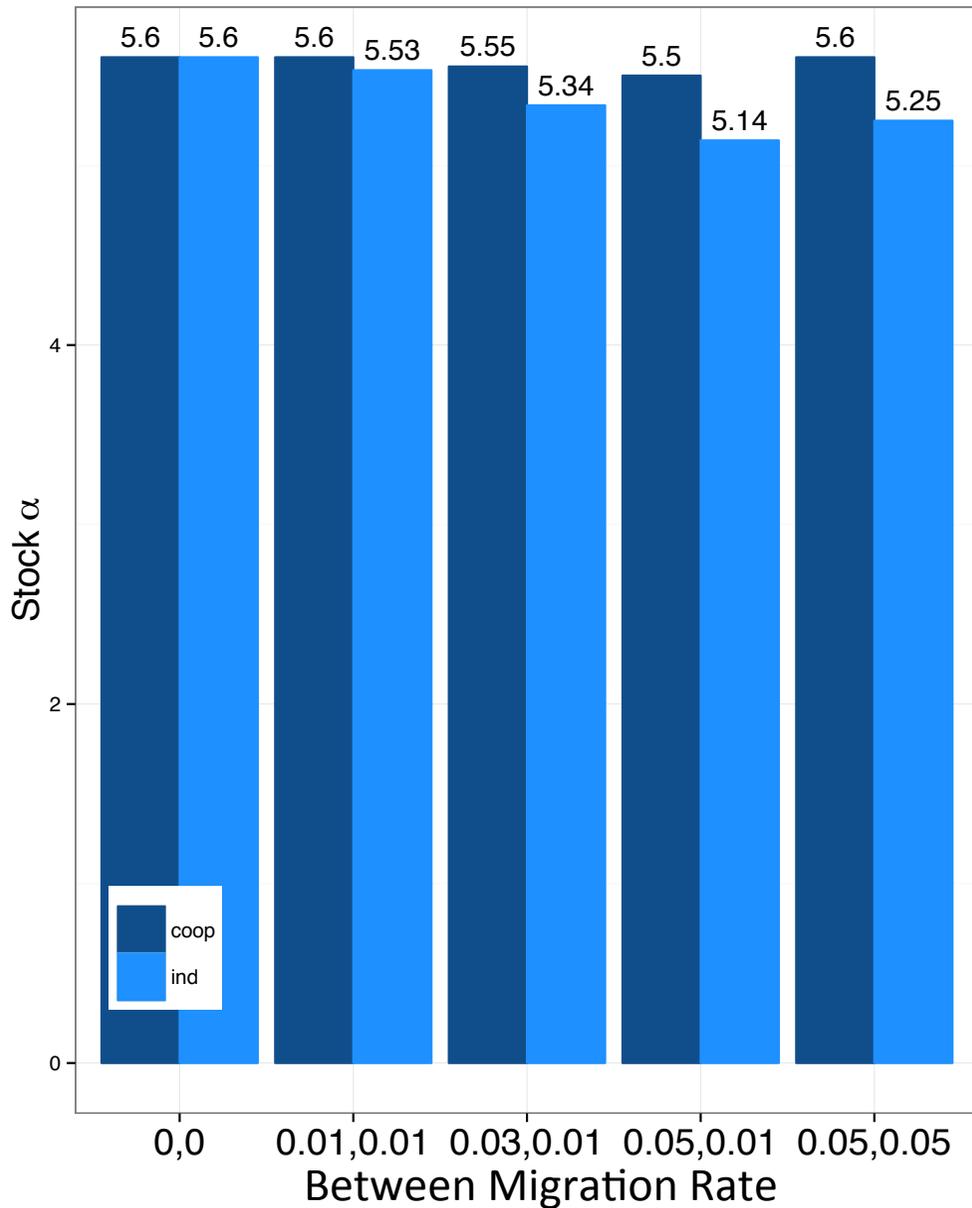
# Numerical Illustration Outline

$\delta_i$  : % to/from neighbor (Between Migration)  
 $\phi_i$  : % to int'l waters (Leakage)

1. Steady states stocks (No leakage)
2. Steady state stocks (No leakage vs. 5% leakage)
3. Steady state stocks (No migration)
4. Cooperative management dynamics
5. Independent management dynamics
6. Cooperation surplus (No leakage)
7. Cooperation surplus (No leakage vs. 5% leakage)

Cooperation  
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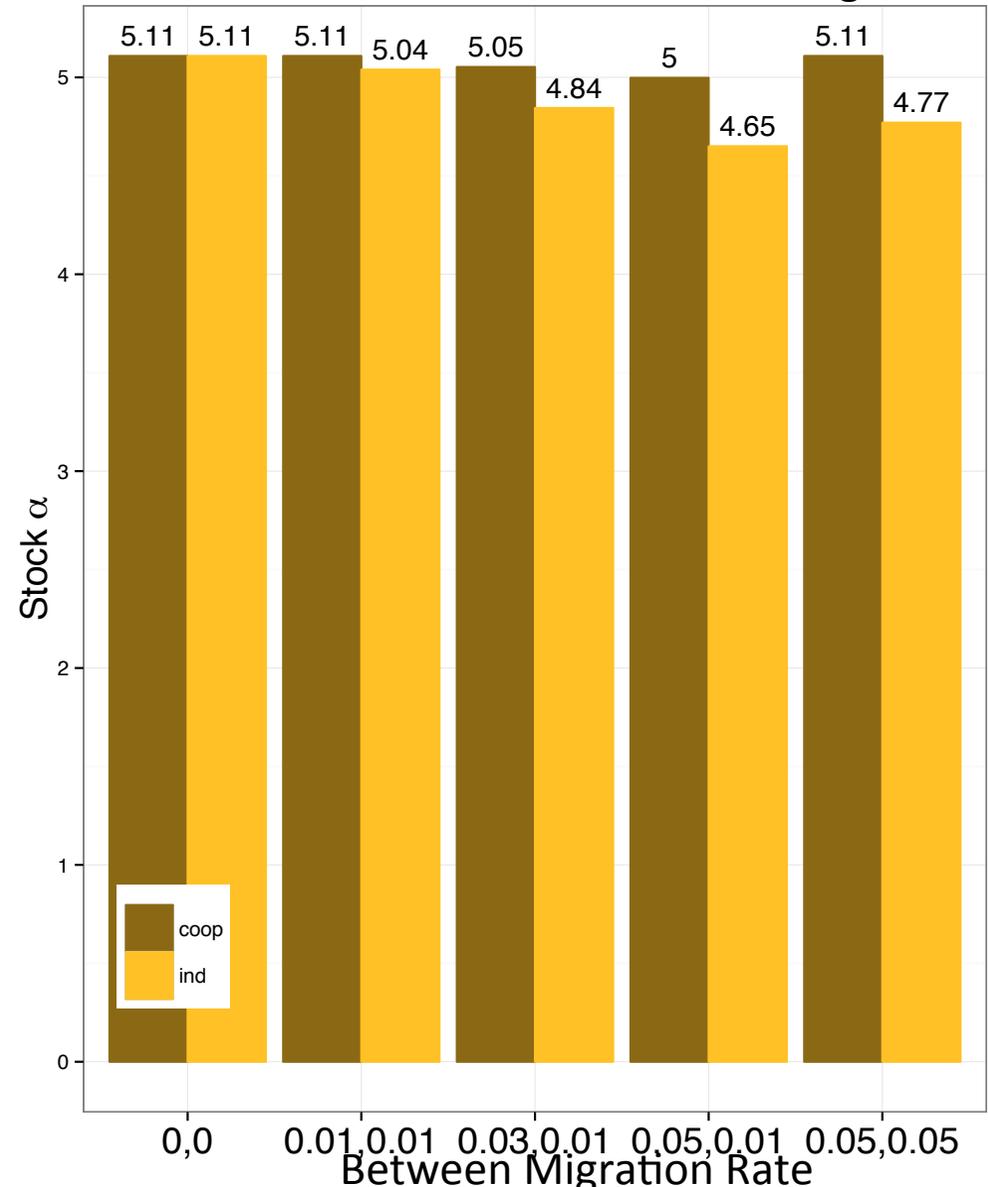
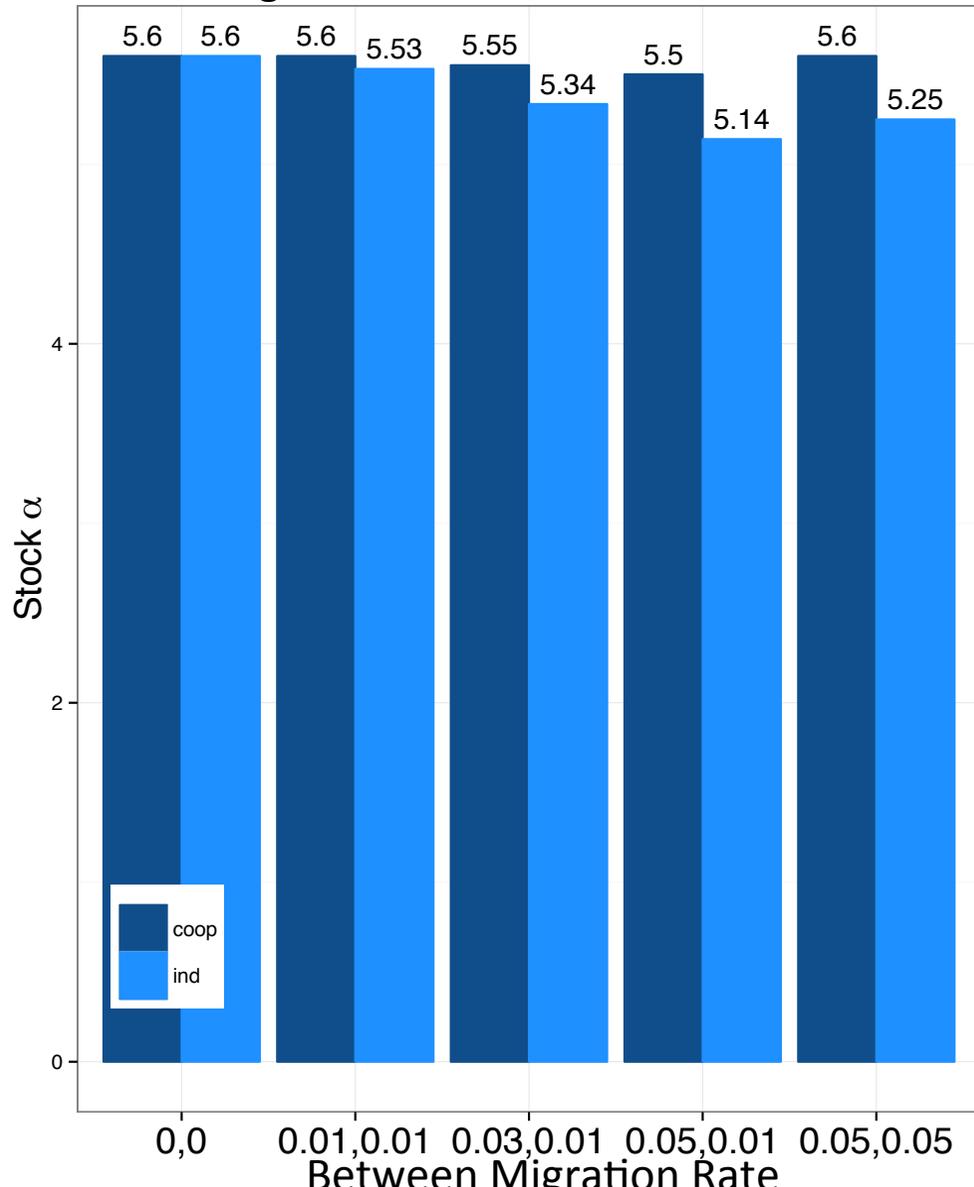
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5% Leakage Each



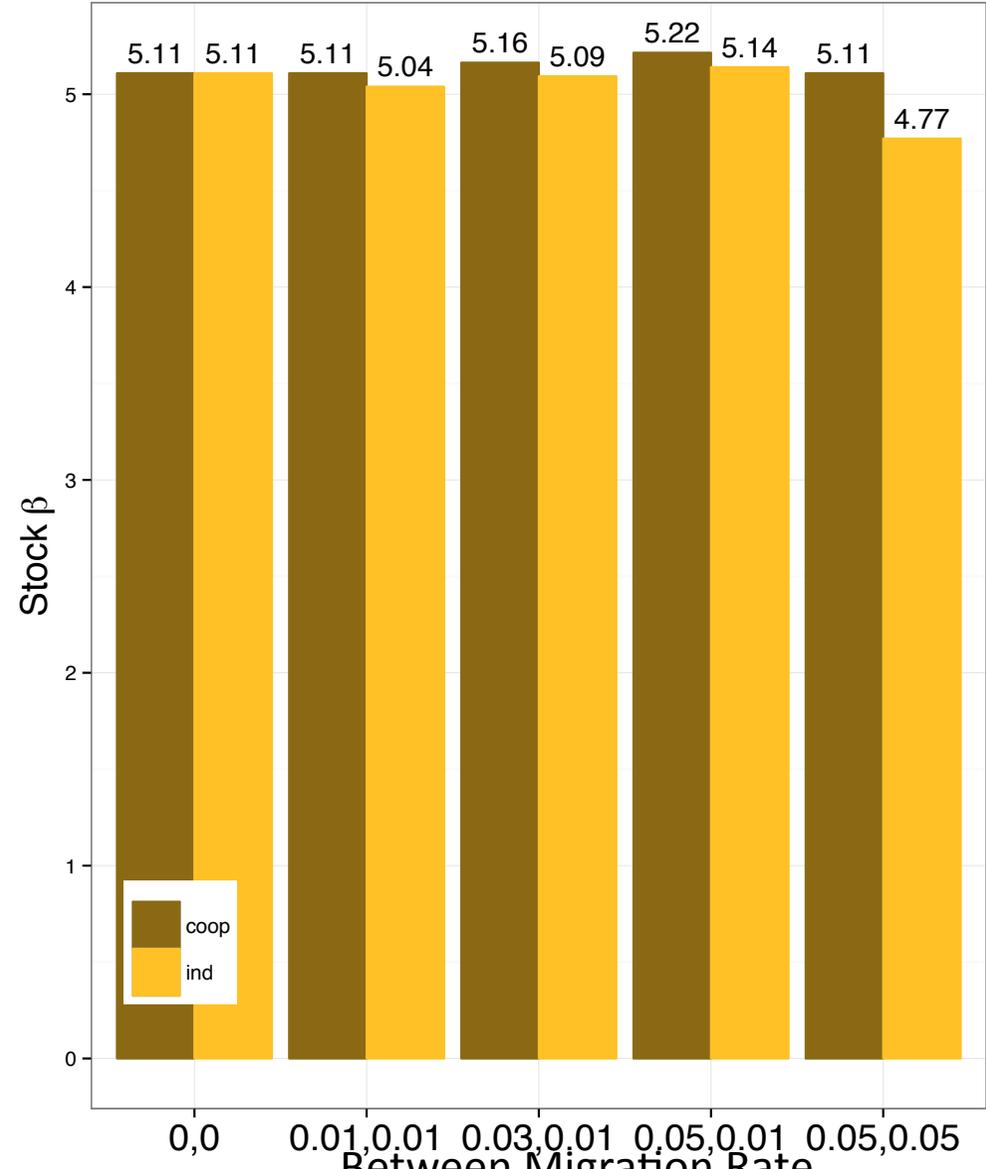
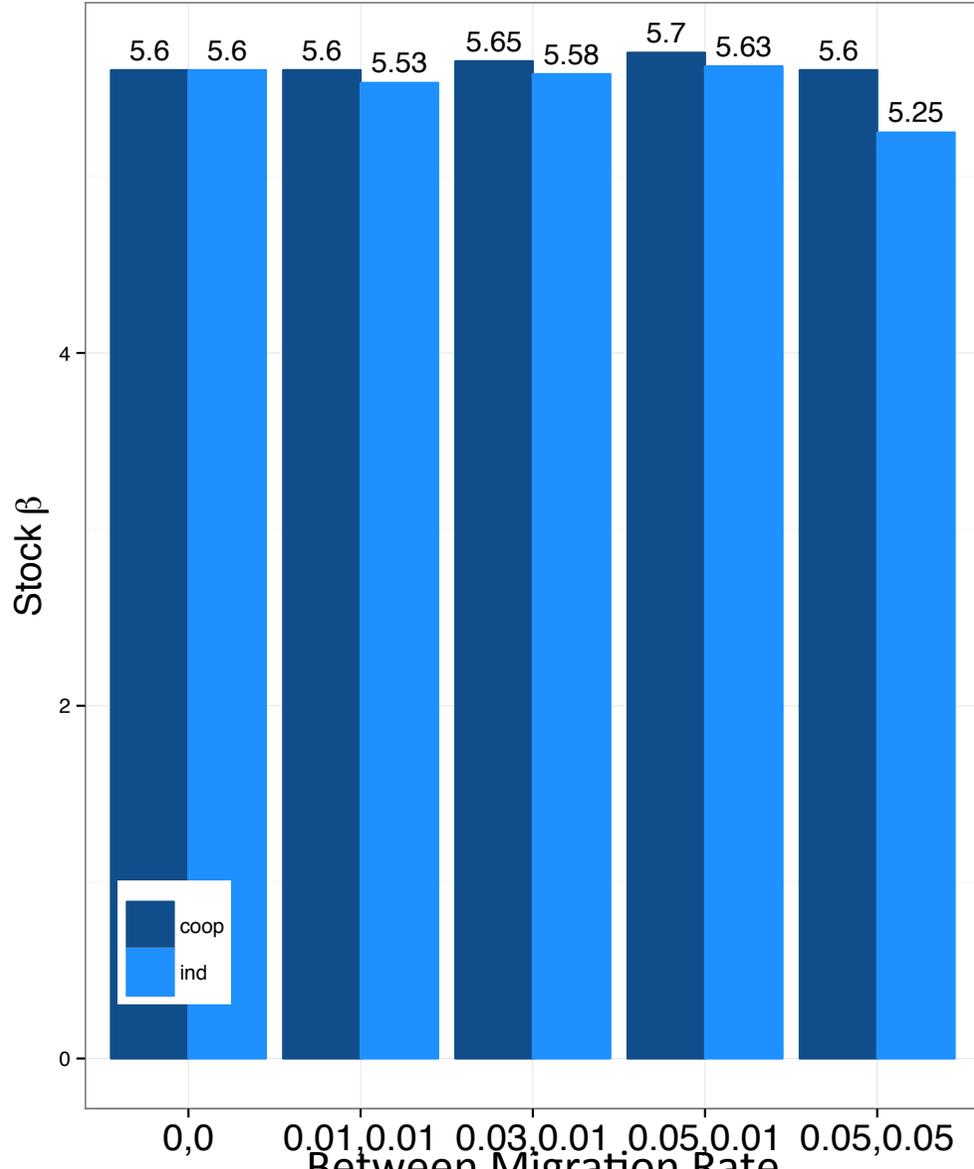
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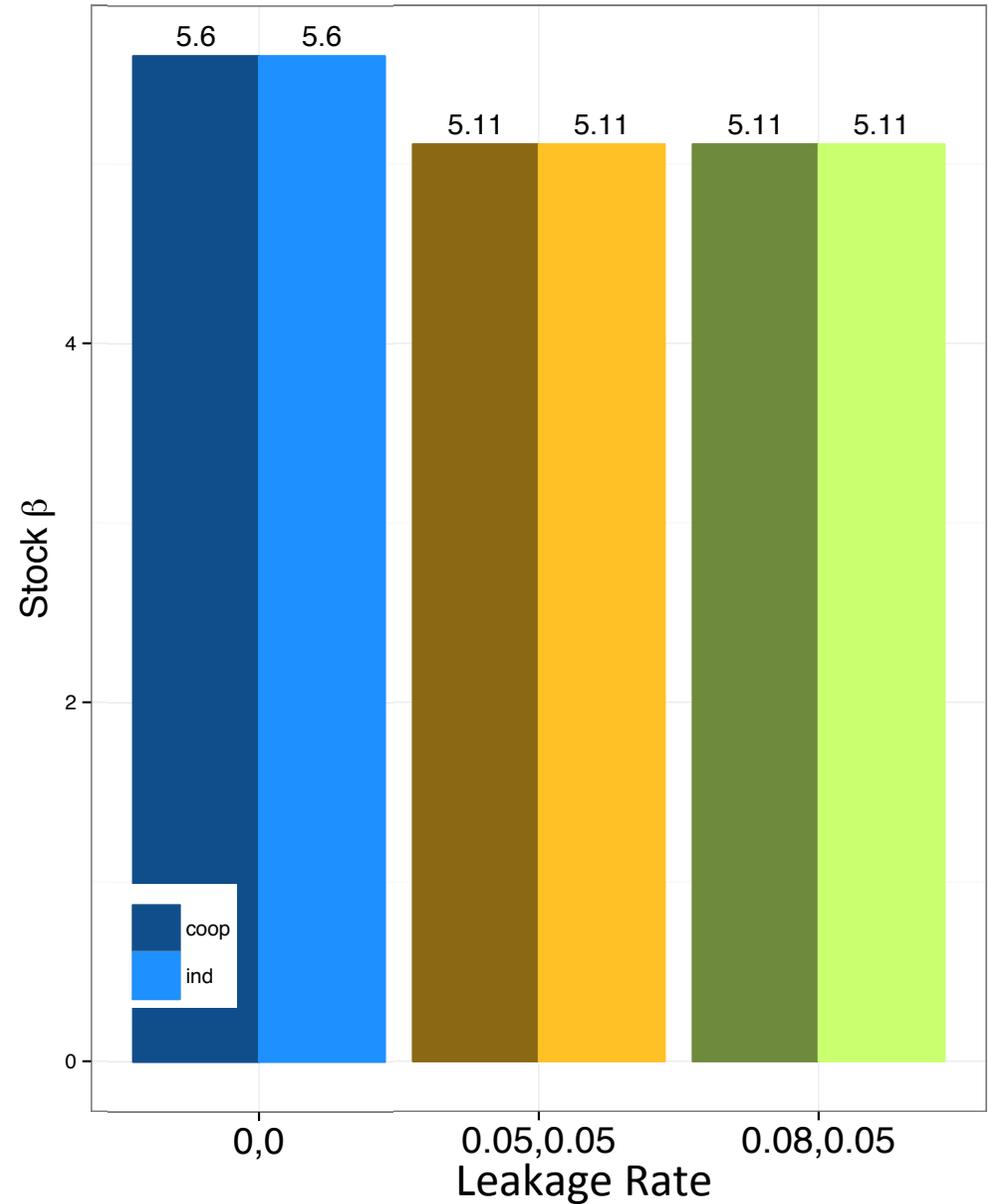
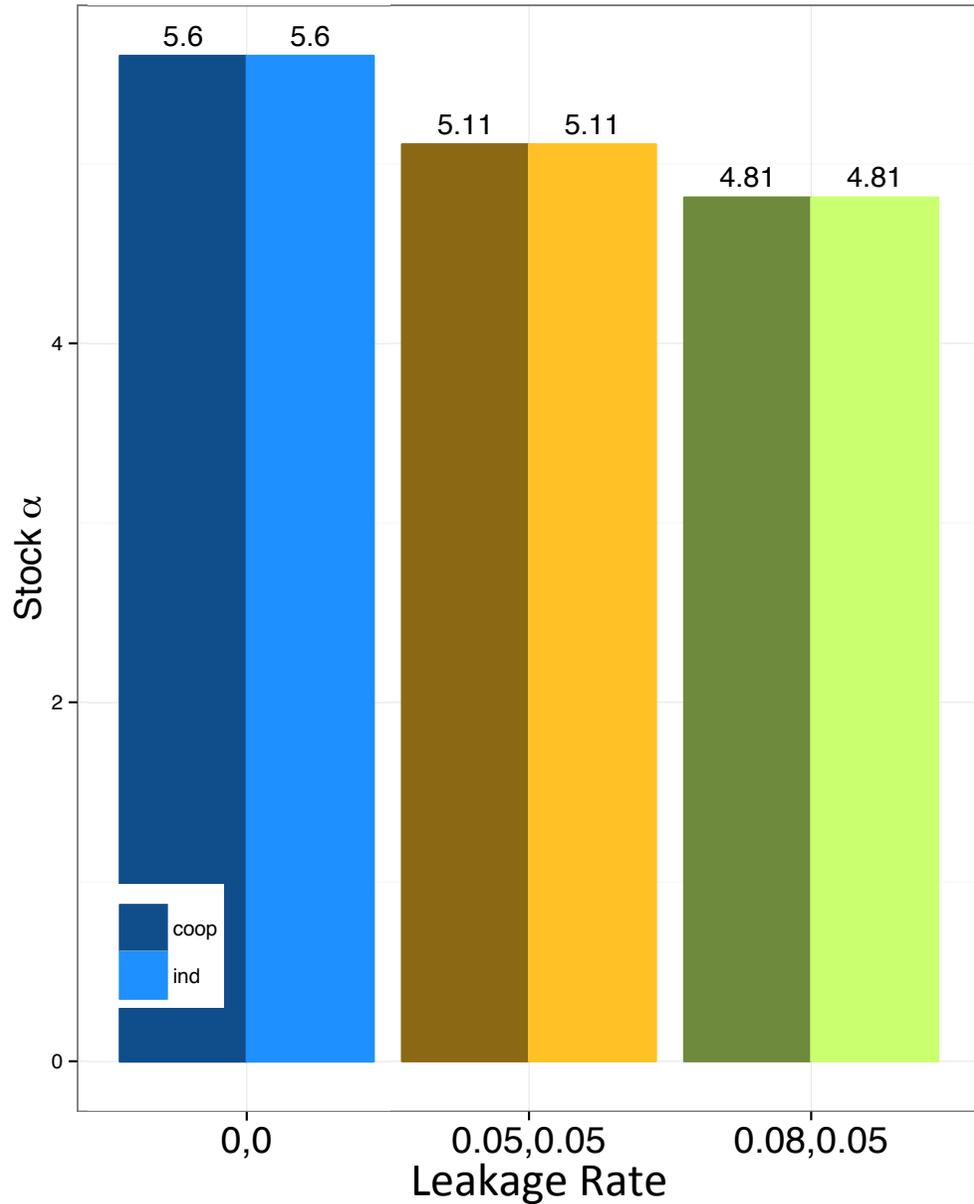
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### 3. Steady state stock comparison: No Migrations between the Two Countries



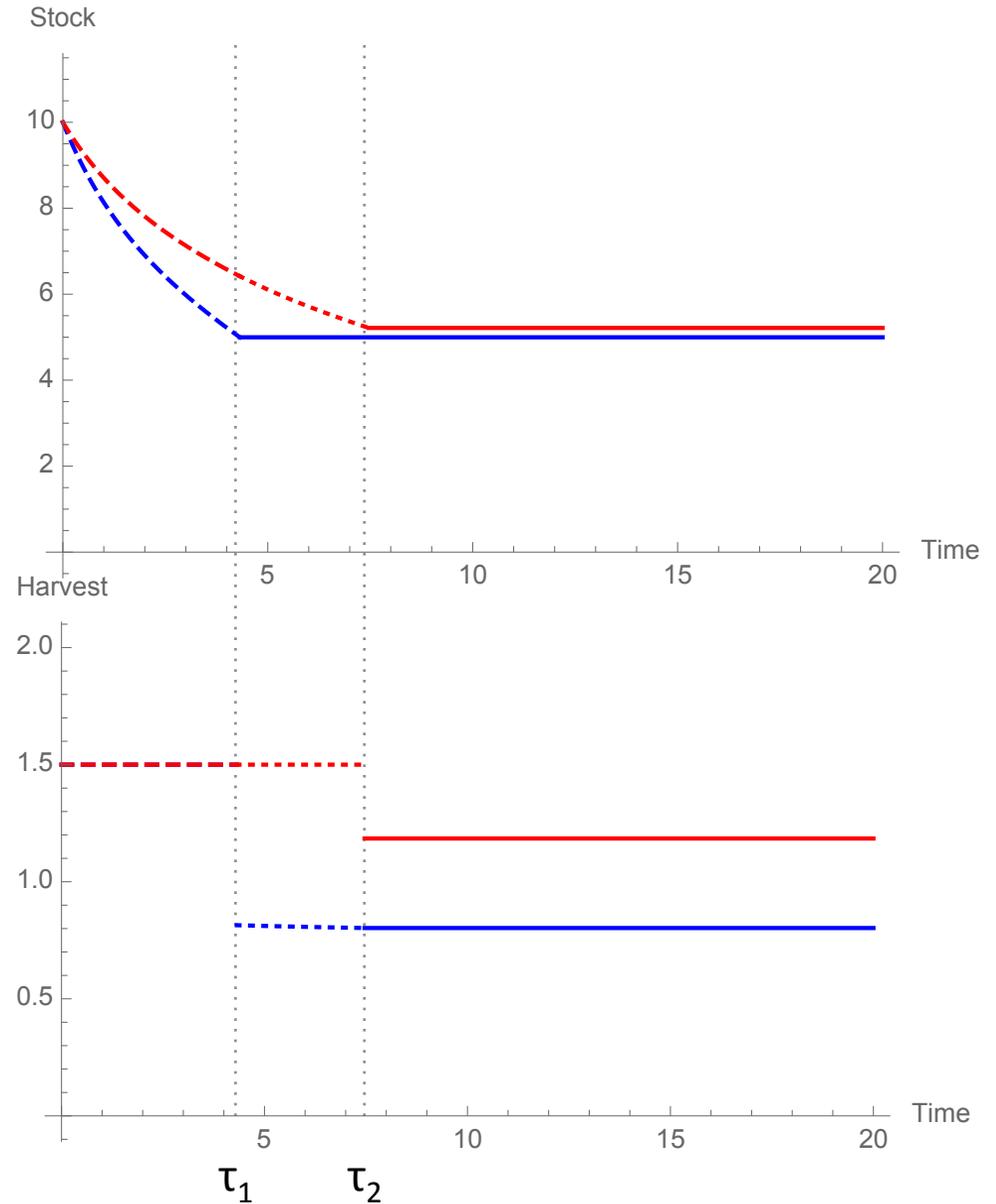
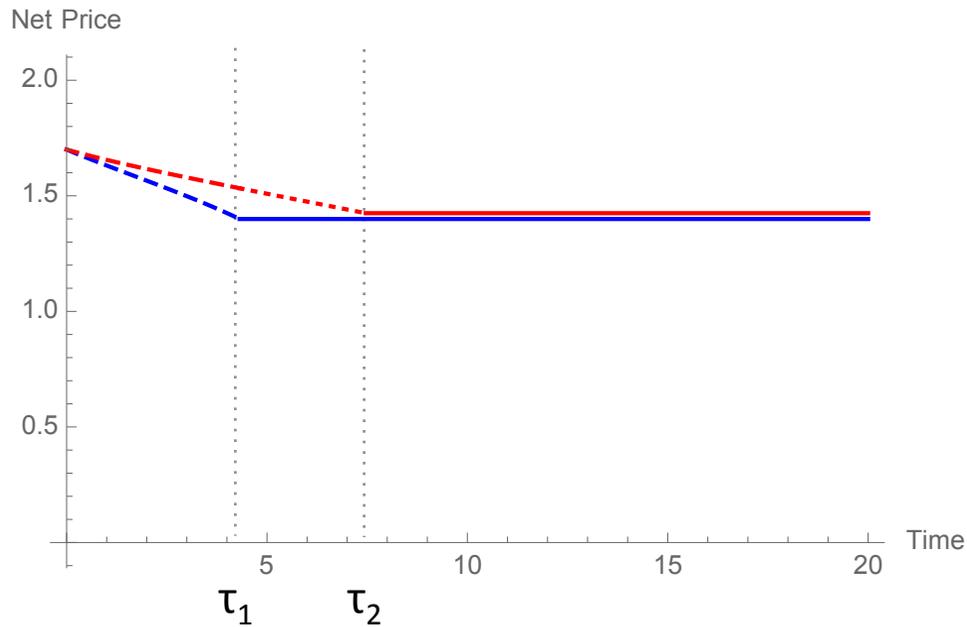
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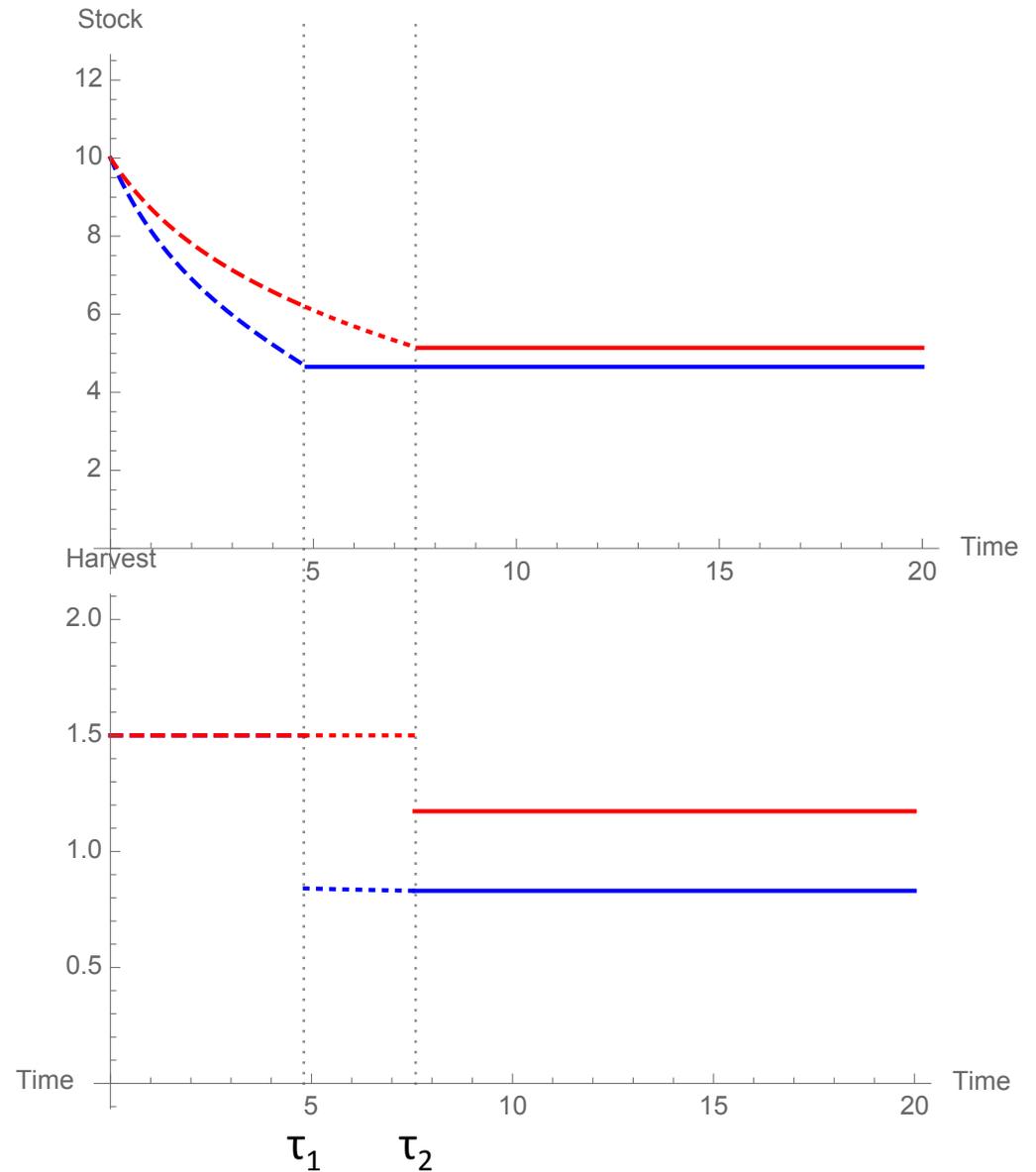
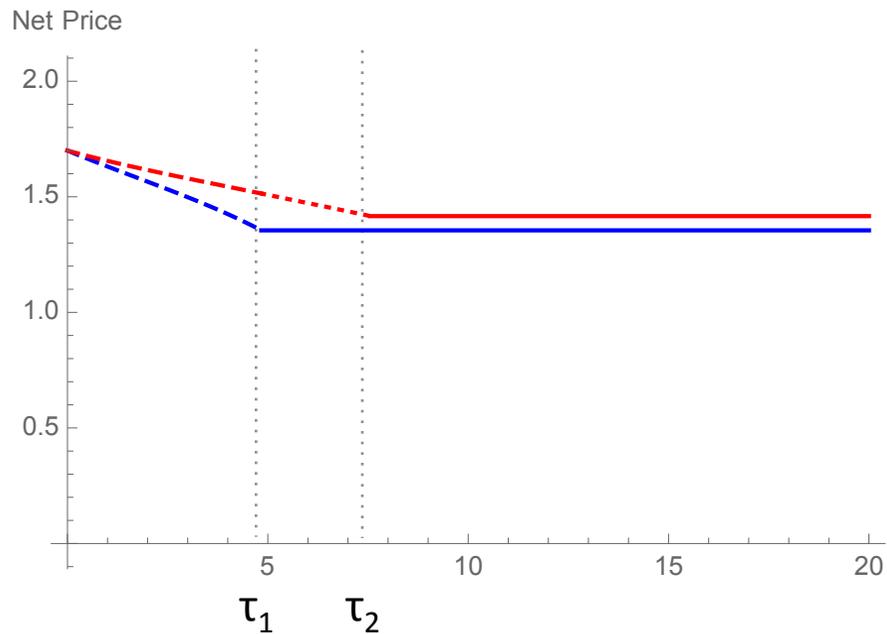
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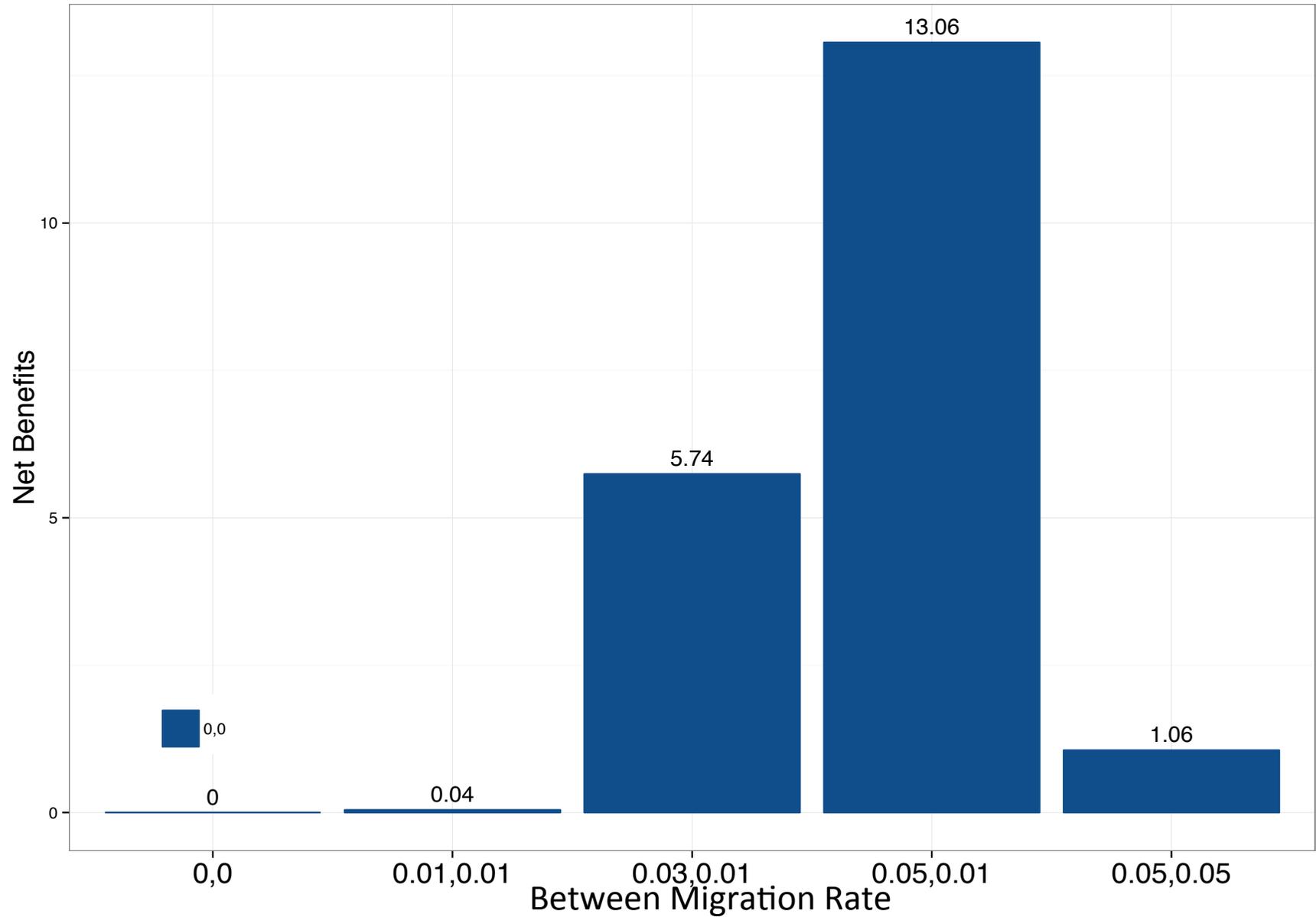
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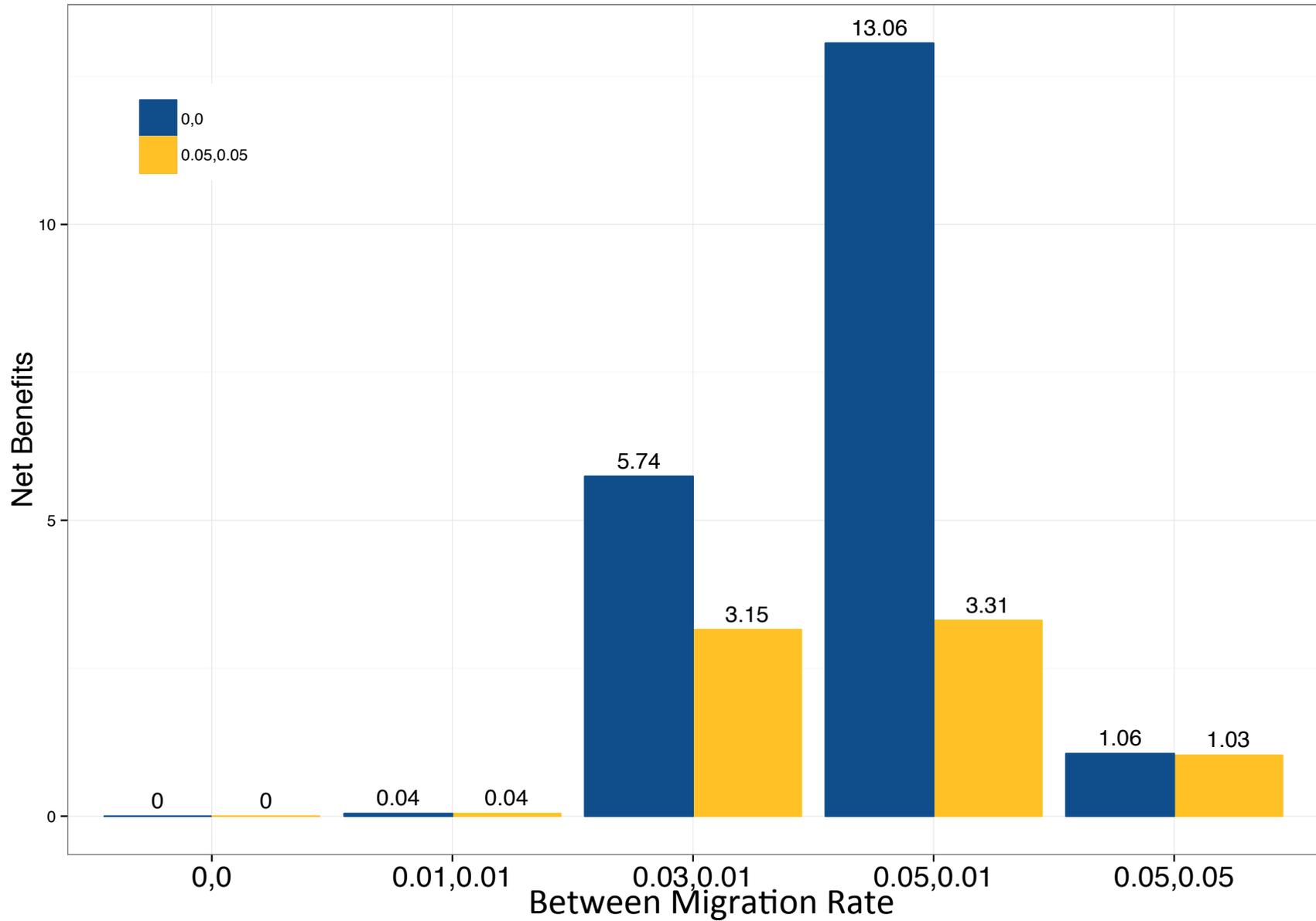
# 6. Cooperation Surplus

## No leakage



# 7. Cooperation Surplus

No leakage vs. (5%, 5%) leakage rate



# Allocation of the Benefits

## Nash bargaining rule

$$\max_{\pi_\alpha, \pi_\beta} (\pi_\alpha - \pi_\alpha^I)^\sigma (\pi_\beta - \pi_\beta^I)^{1-\sigma}$$

$$\text{subject to } \pi_\alpha + \pi_\beta = \bar{\pi}$$

Benefits are shared 50:50 if the two countries have the equal negotiation power

## Proportionate rule

$$(NB)_i^{Coop} - (NB)_i^{Ind}$$

If equal migration rates, benefits are shared 50:50

If no leakage, a country with the higher migration rate gains more

# Long story short,

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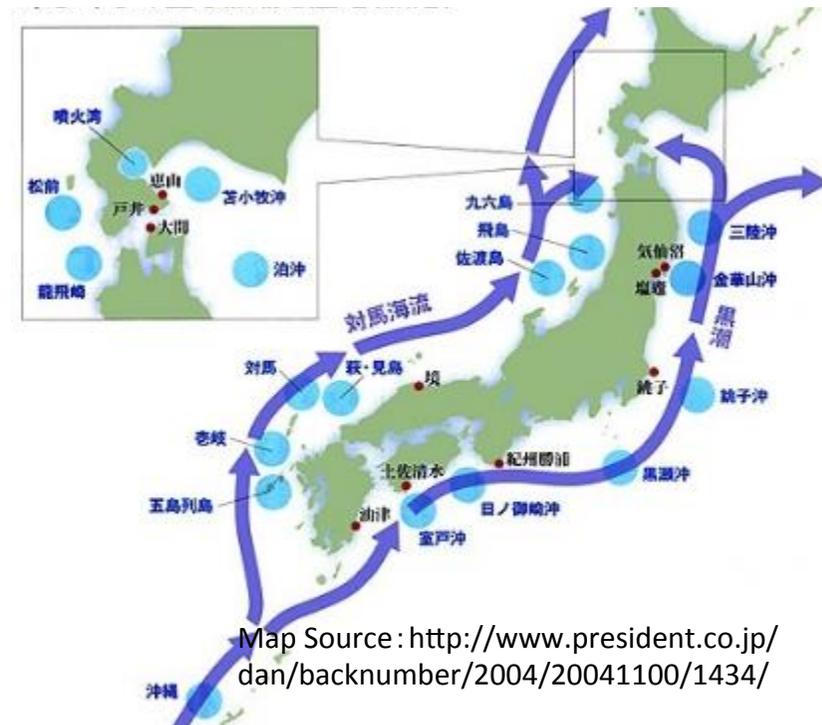
What about domestic fisheries management!?

## Implication for the Domestic Management

- Chicken-and-egg problem
  - Need domestic management
  - Domestic management not in place because of escapement
- Benefits may be small due to leakages of stocks outside of the EEZ
- Possibly, international cooperation may forge better domestic stocks management

# Implication for the Domestic Management Fisheries Management in Japan

- Fisheries are managed and operated independently by regional coops for the most part
- Fishermen are concerned with their stocks escaping to neighboring countries waters
- Is cooperative management possible?



## Conclusion and Future Research Direction

- This study is a good representative of tropical tuna fisheries in the Western and Central Pacific
- In the Northern Pacific, the problem is multi-layered (domestic & international)
- Possibly, international cooperation could forge cooperation among domestic fisheries

# Thank You

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