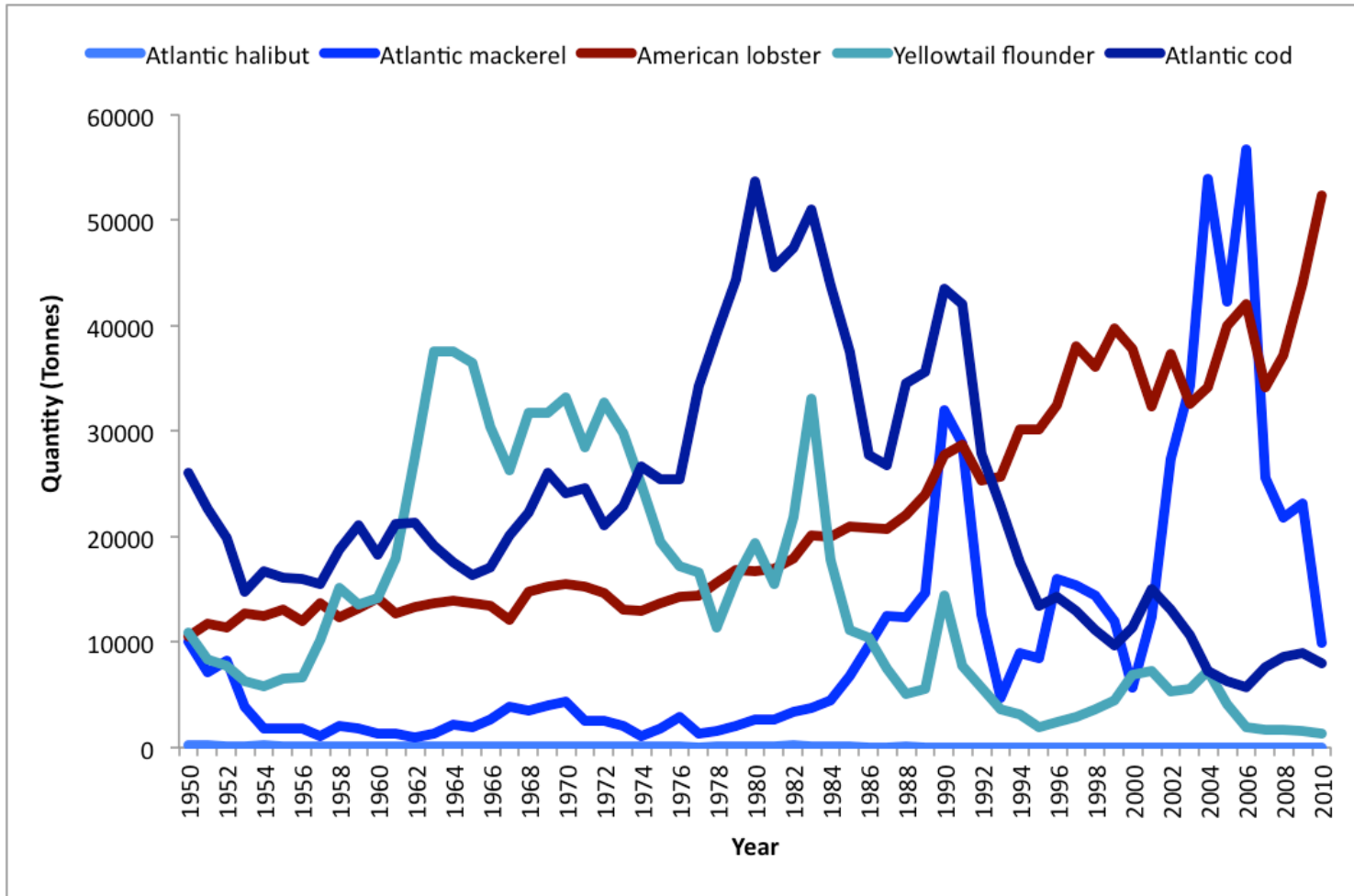


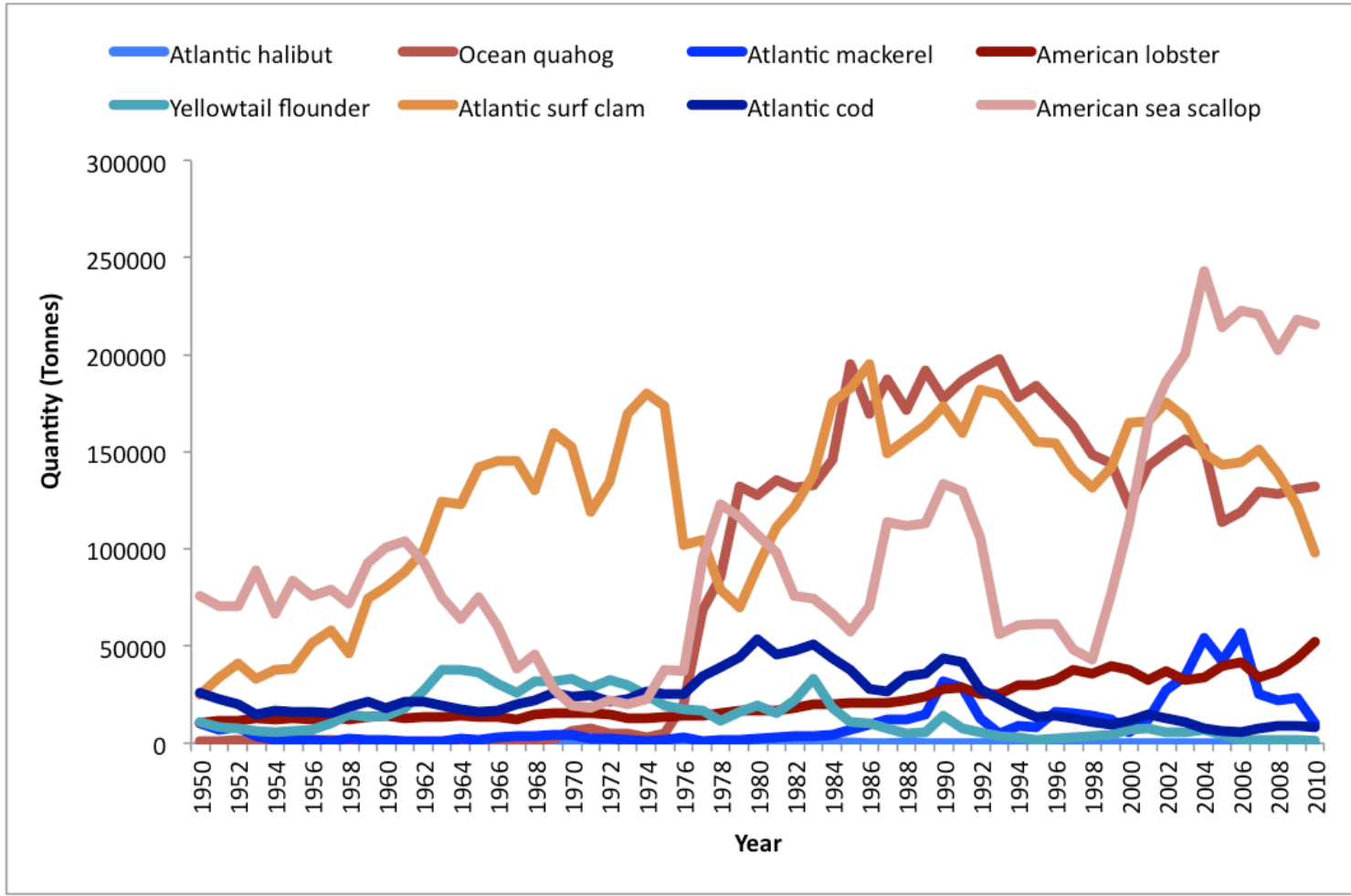
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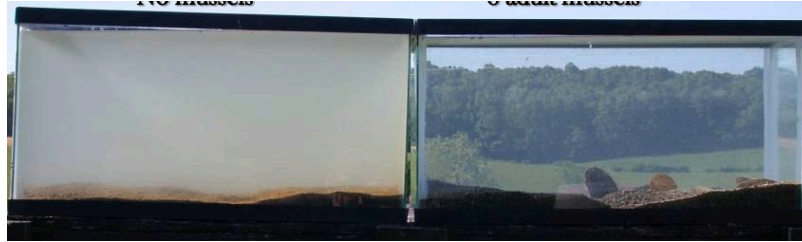
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Data: FAO FishstatJ

# Shellfish and Ecosystem Services



Bruce Plante

[http://blog.stopextinction.org/2012\\_02\\_01\\_archive.html](http://blog.stopextinction.org/2012_02_01_archive.html)

- Water quality

  - Filtration

    - Single Delaware River mussel bed = 30 Mill L/day
      - D. Kreeger; Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

  - Nutrient Cycling

- Shoreline Protection

  - Stabilization

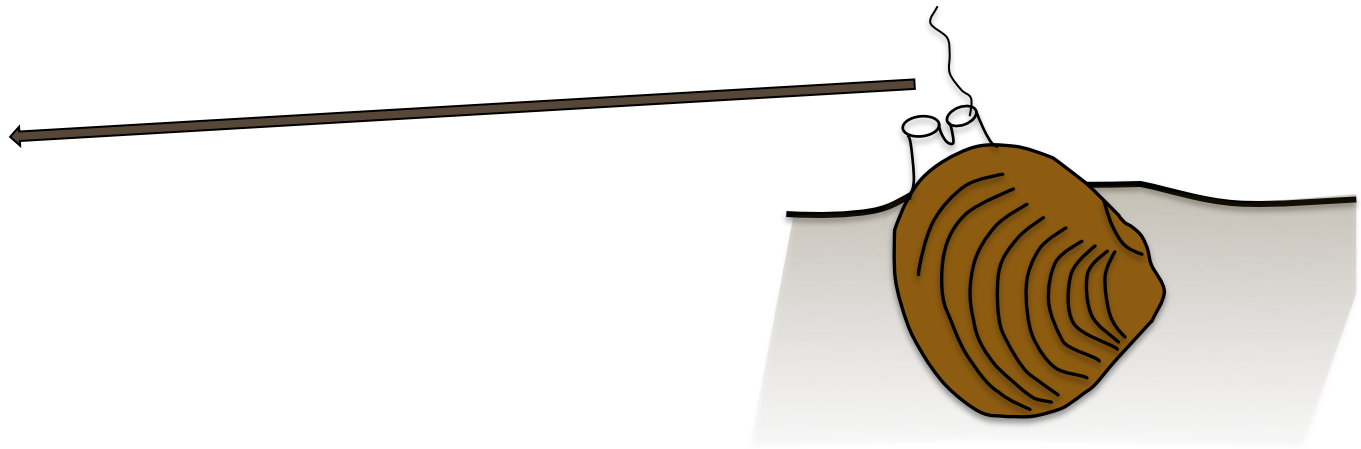
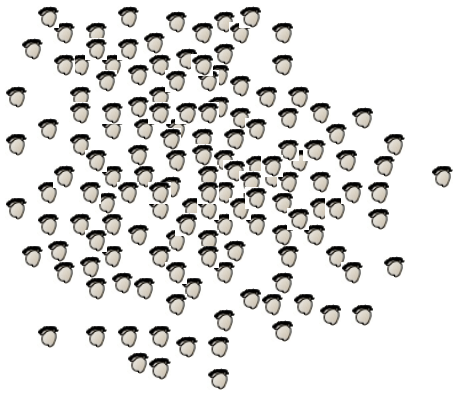
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- Habitat Creation

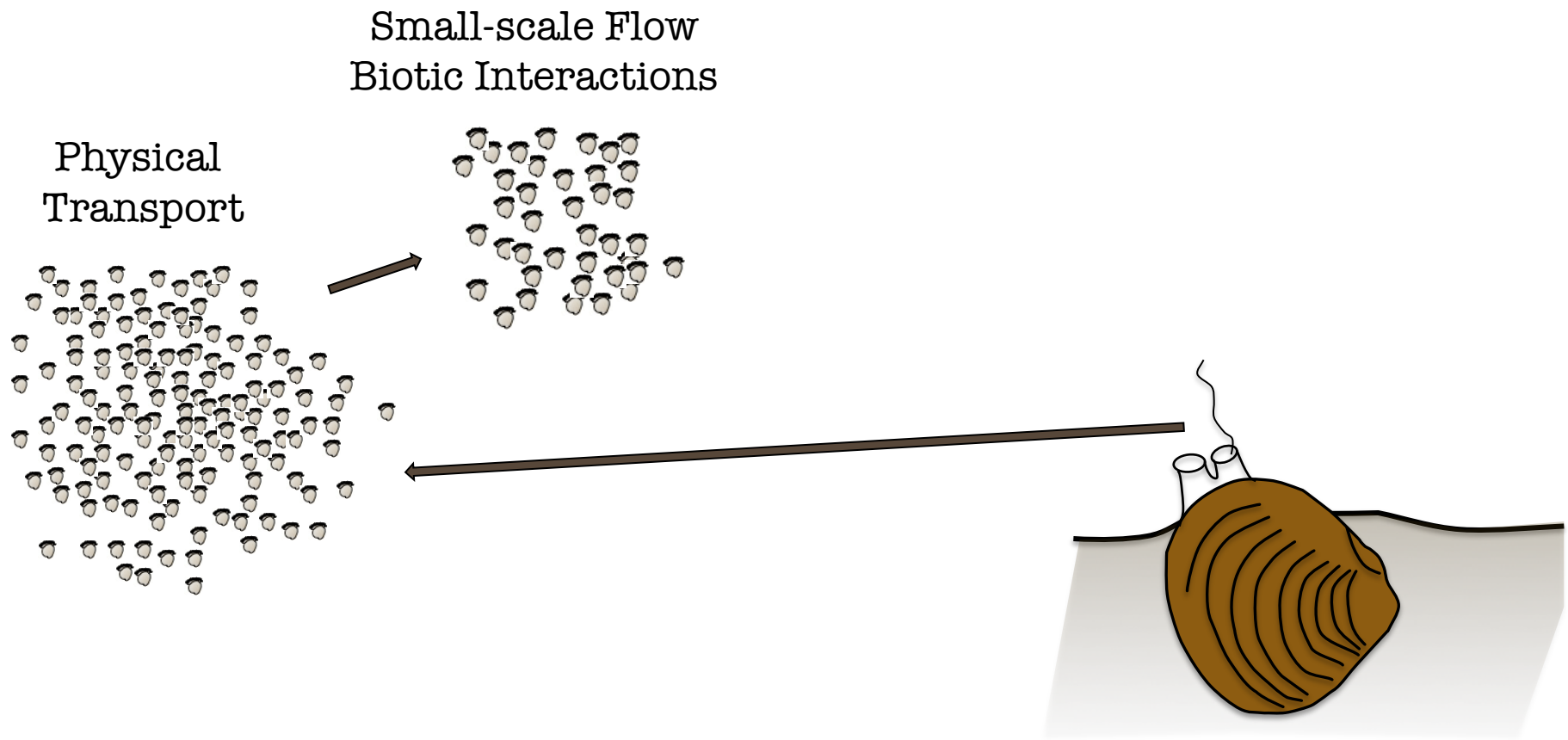
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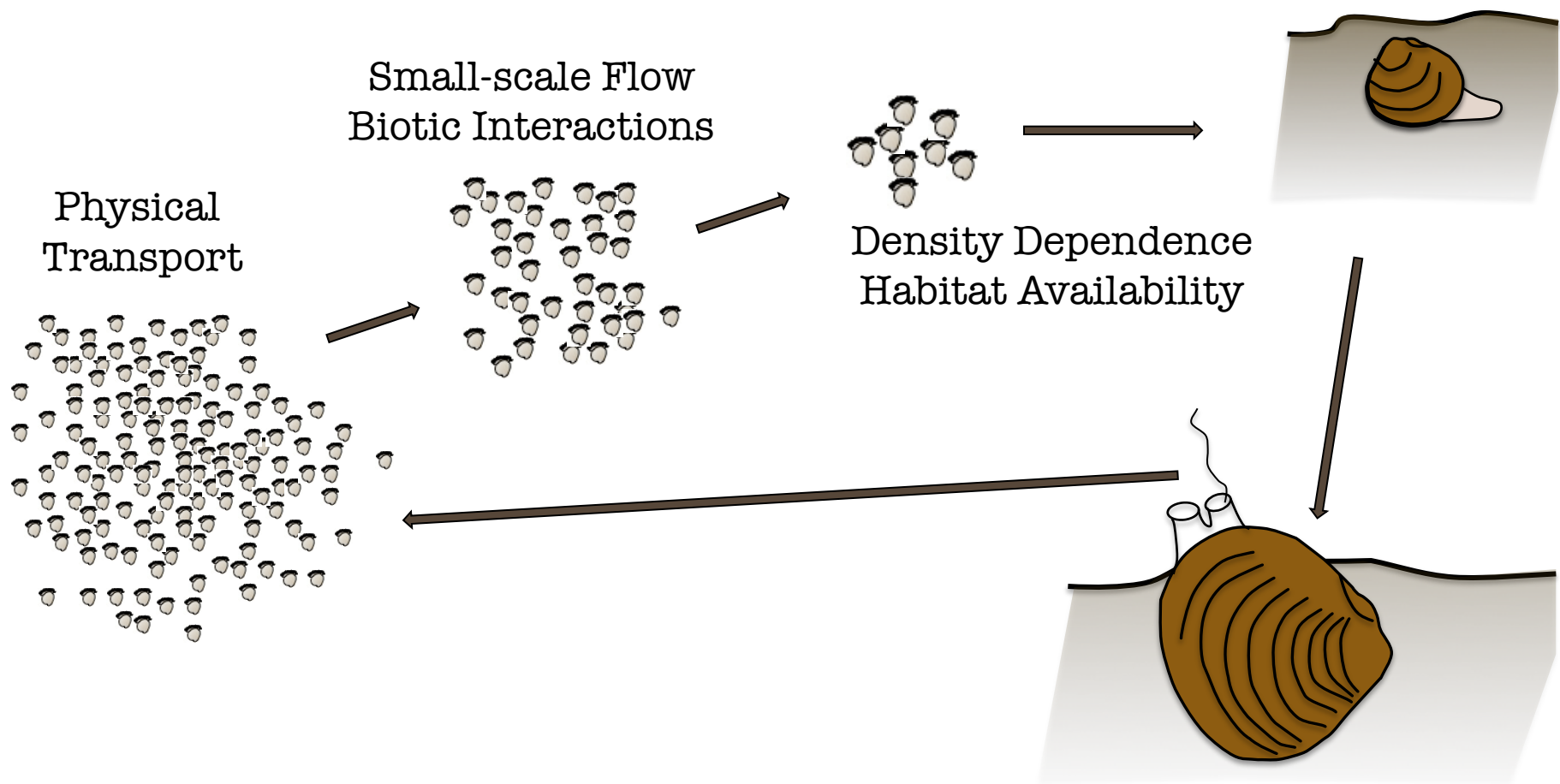
Physical  
Transport



*Modified from: Pineda, 2000, Oceanography of the Eastern Pacific*



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# Salmon Gone, Fishermen Try to Adapt on a Changing Coast

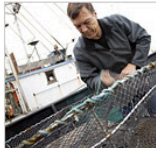
By WILLIAM YARDLEY  
Published: May 9, 2008

CHARLESTON, Ore. — So long, [salmon](#). Steve Wilson is refitting his 51-foot troller to fish a conflicted symbol of fishing for a myth.

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## The Opinion Pages

Enlarge



Leah Nash for The New York Times  
Steve Wilson is converting his boat to fish for prawns, which are sold to high-end restaurants and are growing along the Oregon coast.

OP-ED CONTRIBUTORS

### How to Catch Fish and Save Fisheries



By CARL SAFINA and BRETT JENKINS  
Published: October 19, 2012

## Sustainable lobstering forum hits Moncton

Attendees told that healthy stocks now don't necessarily mean long-term sustainability

CBC News Posted: Jul 24, 2012 4:04 PM AT | Last Updated: Jul 24, 2012 6:40 PM AT

About 130 lobster industry stakeholders gathered Tuesday in Moncton to discuss lobster fishing and sustainability practices.



Attendees included researchers, restaurateurs and fishermen, and they shared goals for the Lobster Science Workshop and the future of the industry.

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## McDonald's fish to carry 'sustainable' labeling

Fast-food eateries to become first national restaurant chain to use 'ecolabel' from the Marine Stewardship Council to show they buy from suppliers with sustainable practices.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

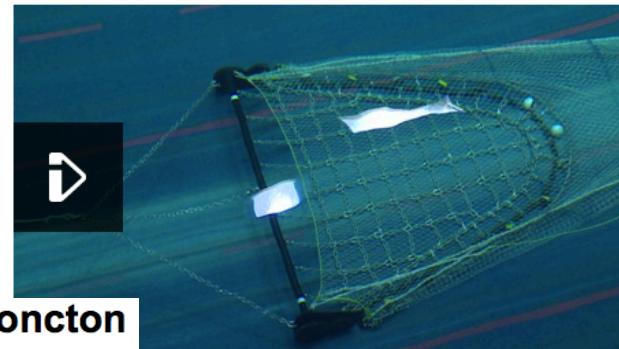
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# NEWS SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENT

## Can new technology save fish?



By Roger Harrabin  
Environment analyst



on trial at Denmark's North Sea Centre

al revolution is needed for Europe to end the



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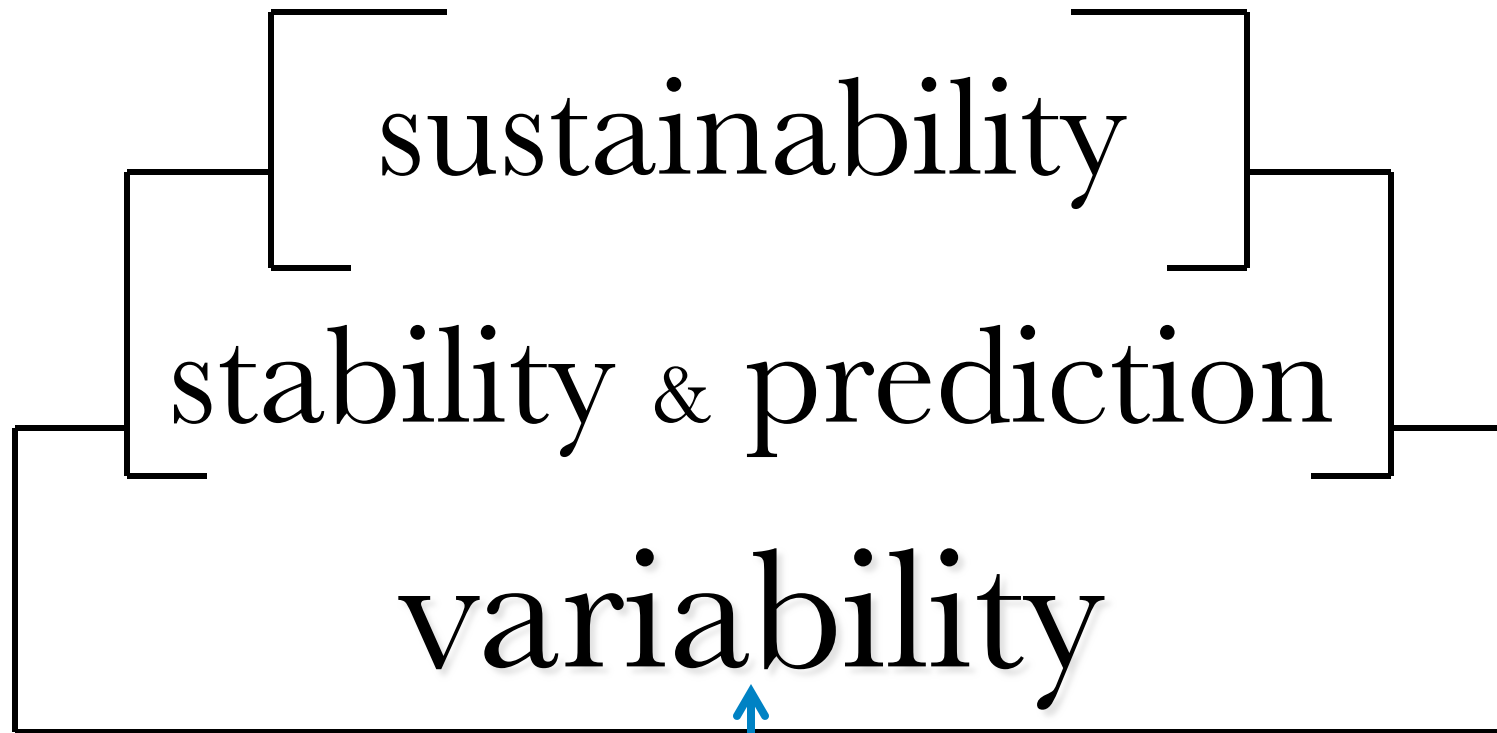
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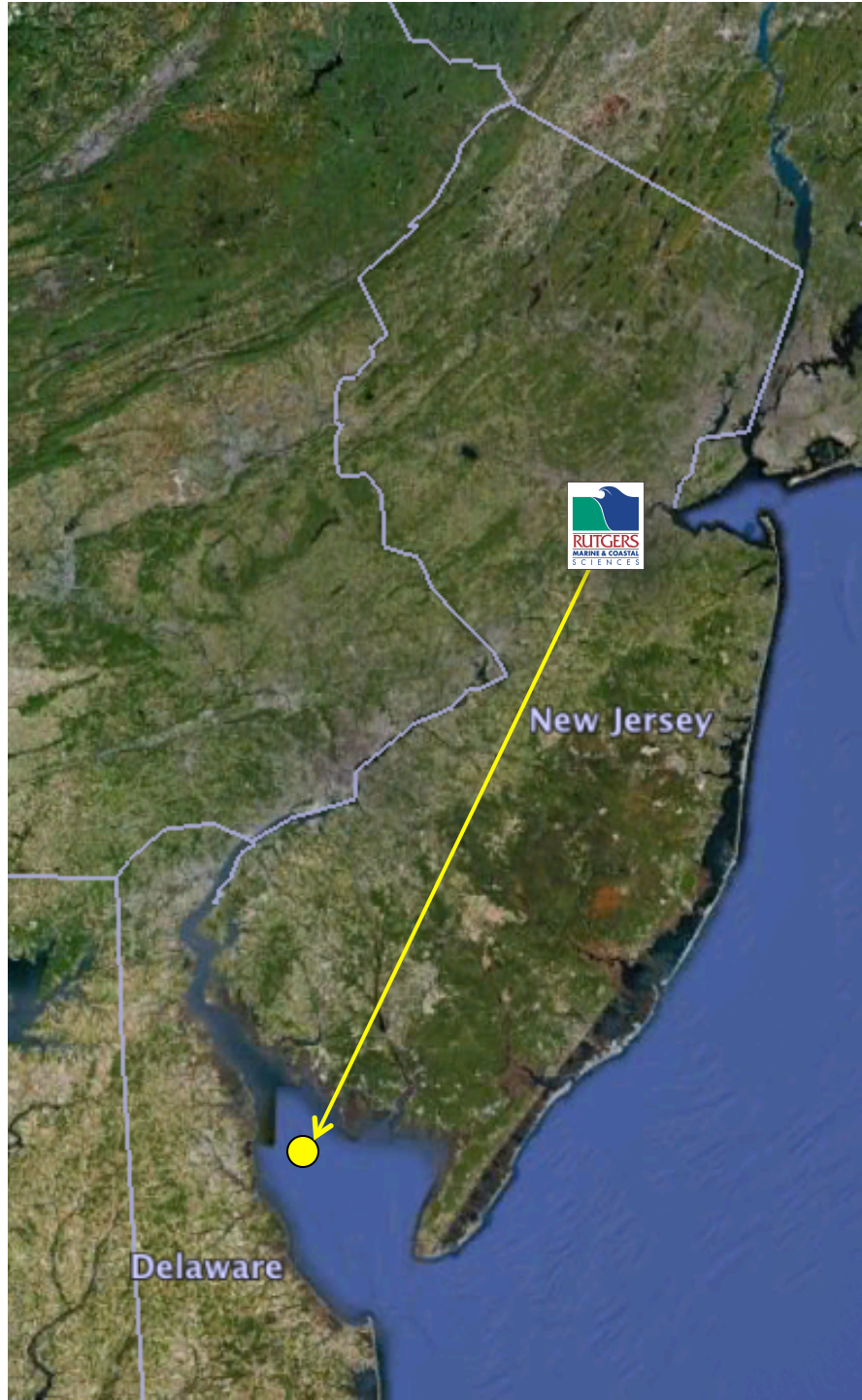
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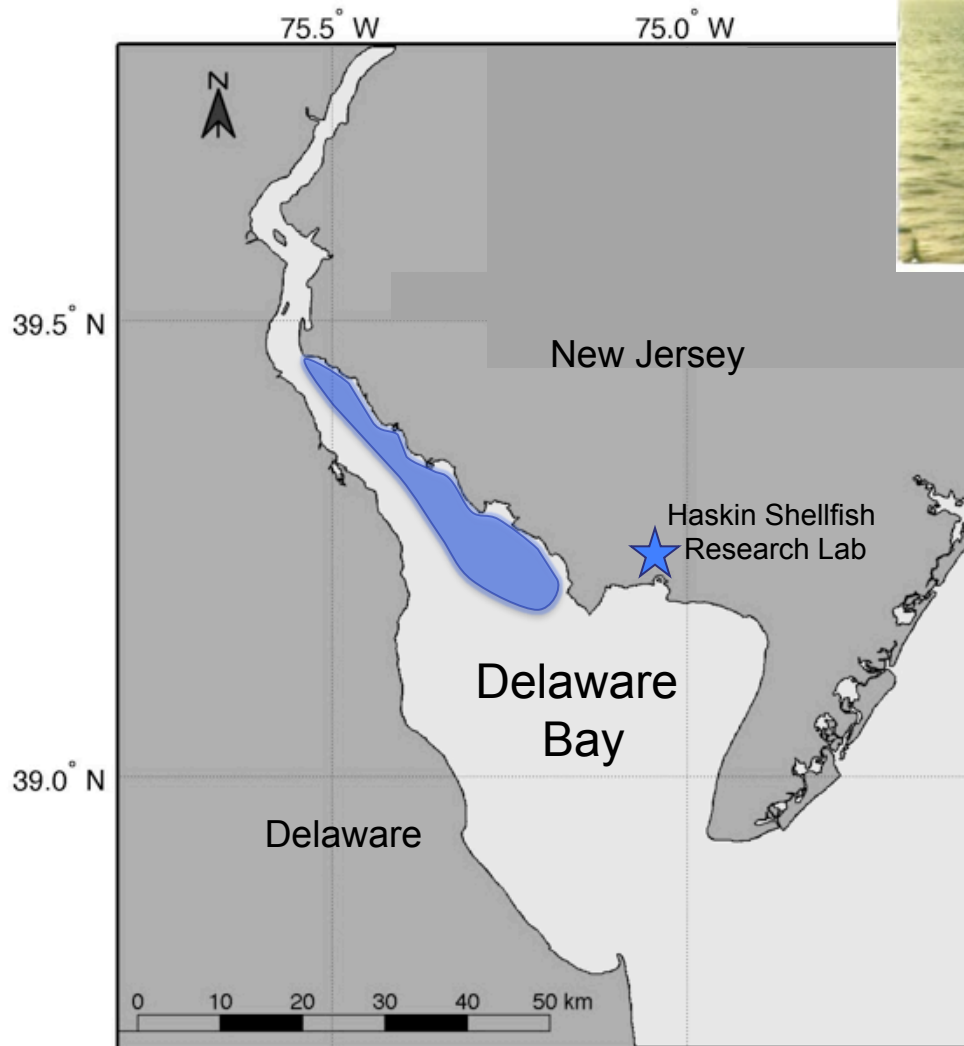


larval dispersal & connectivity



# Delaware Estuary Oyster Fishery

Eastern Oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*)

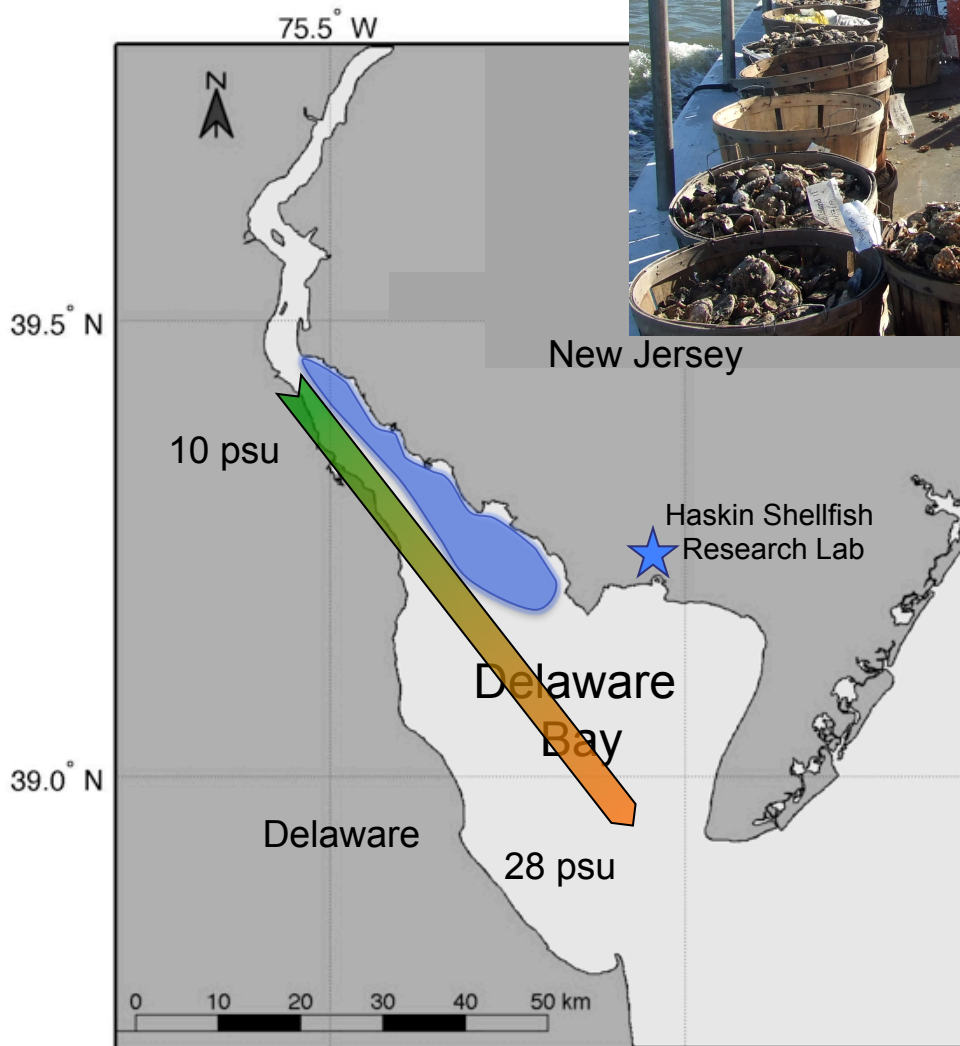


Sail dredging circa 1920's

- First recorded legislation 1719
- 2.7 million bushels consumed or shipped from Philly in 1880
  - (Ingersoll, 1881)
- Julius Nelson: NJ Oyster Report 1894
- Sail dredge until 1940s
- Modern fishery quota (limit) based
- Closed seasonally

# • Delaware Estuary Oyster Fishery

• Eastern Oyster (*Crassostrea virginica*)

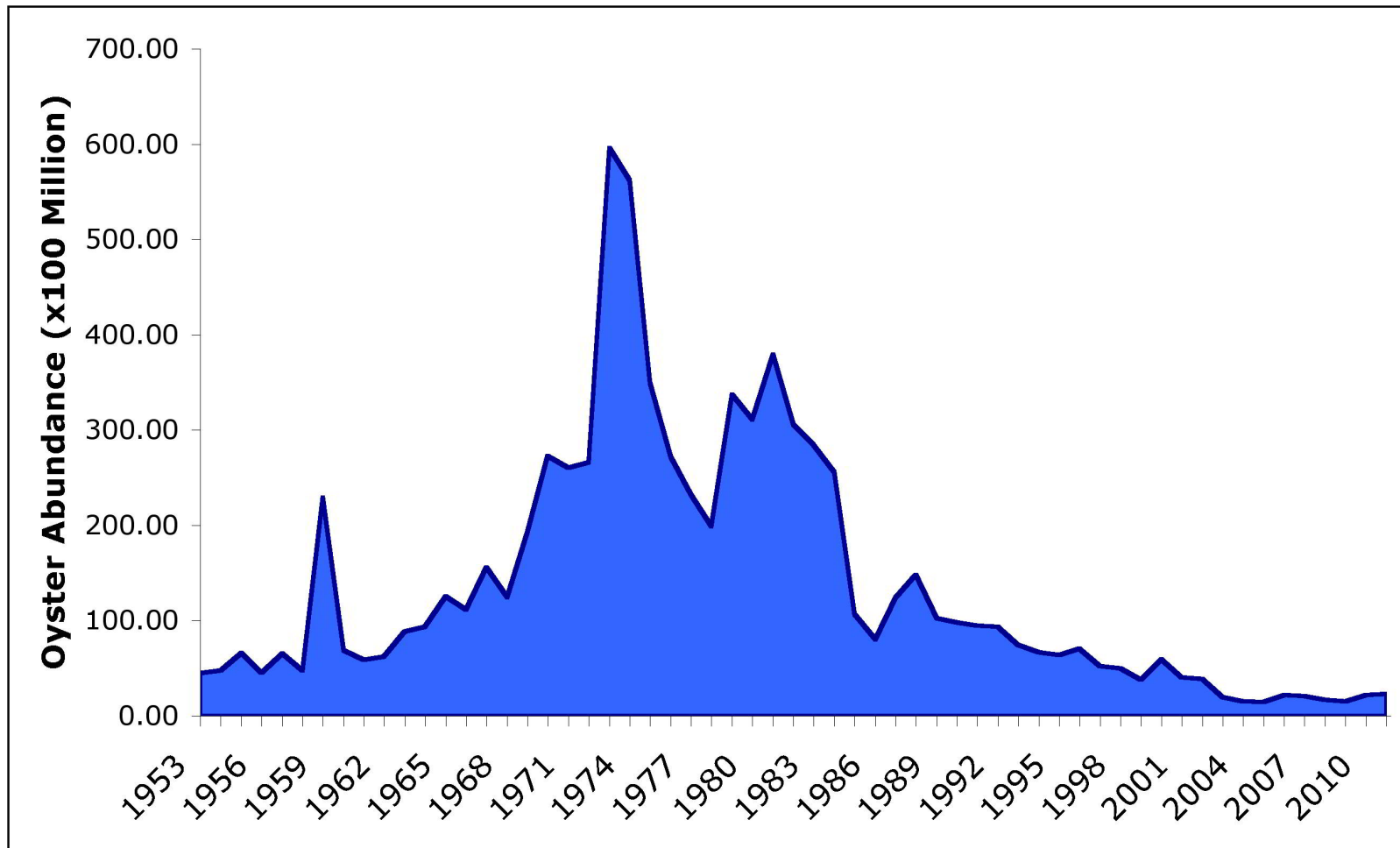


- Dredge fishery ~ 40 boats
- Landed ~ 90,000 bushels
  - Worth ~\$4 million (ex-vessel in 2011)
- Stock Assessment



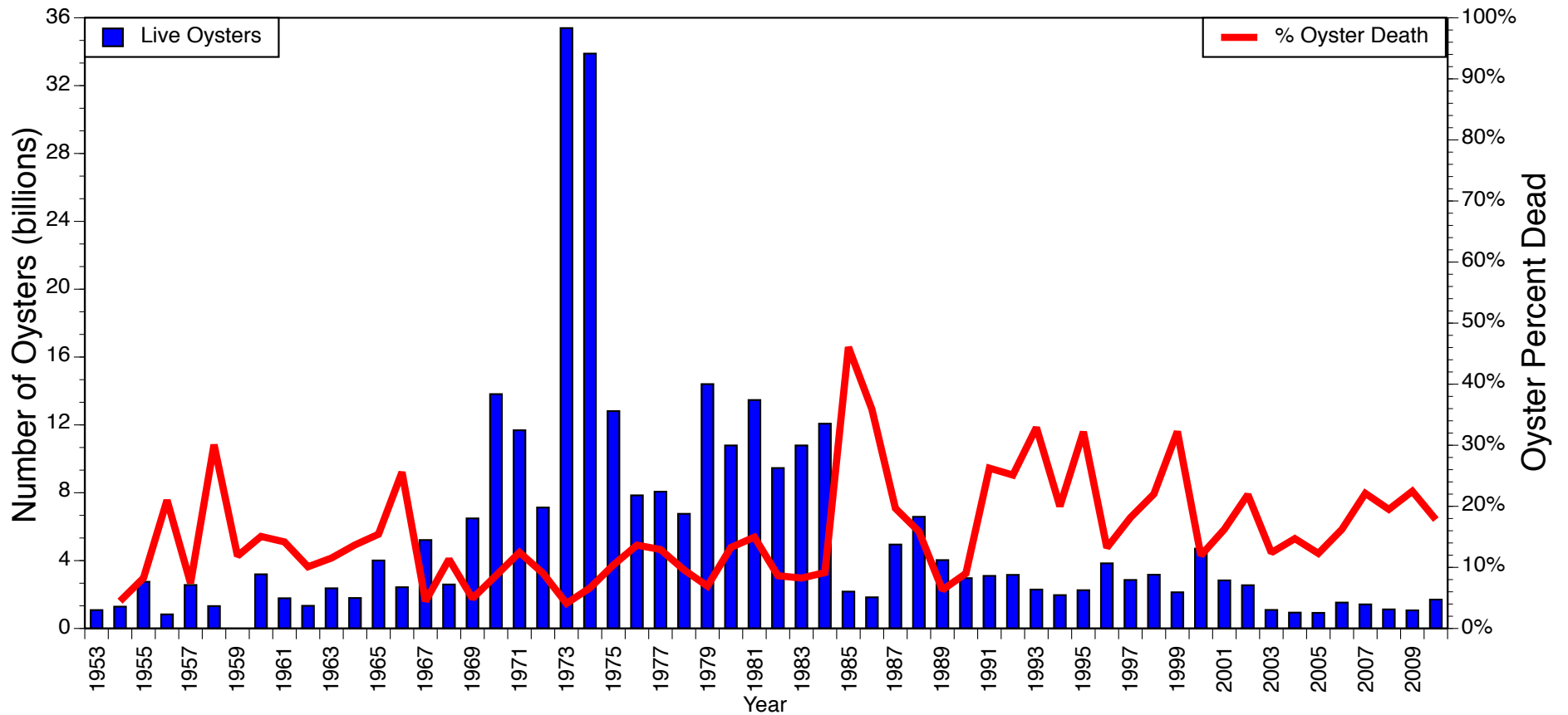
# Oyster Abundance Timeseries

What causes change over time?



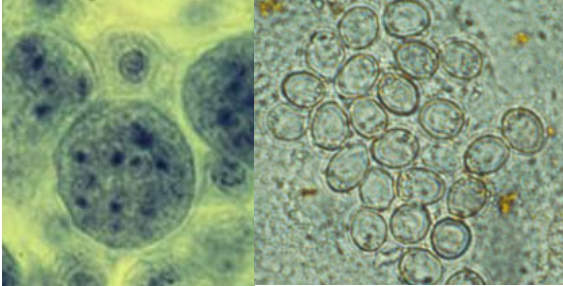


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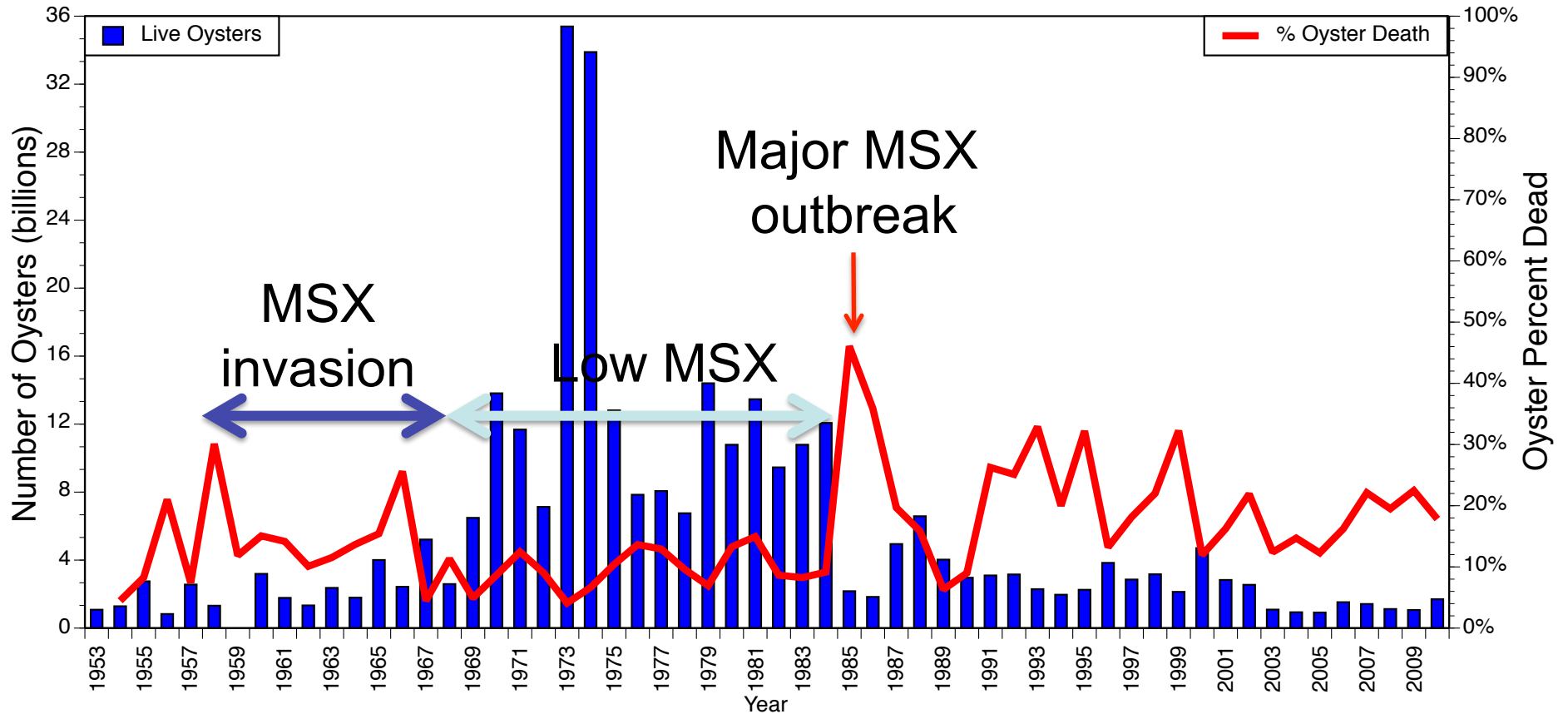


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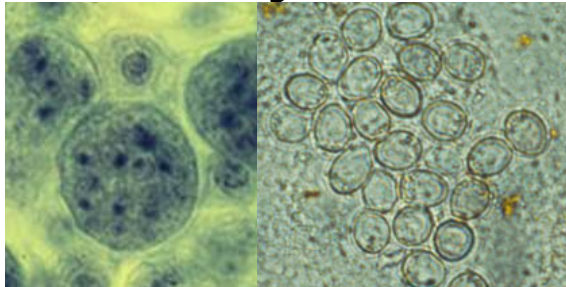
## Oyster Diseases



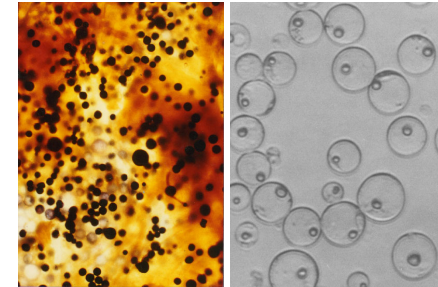
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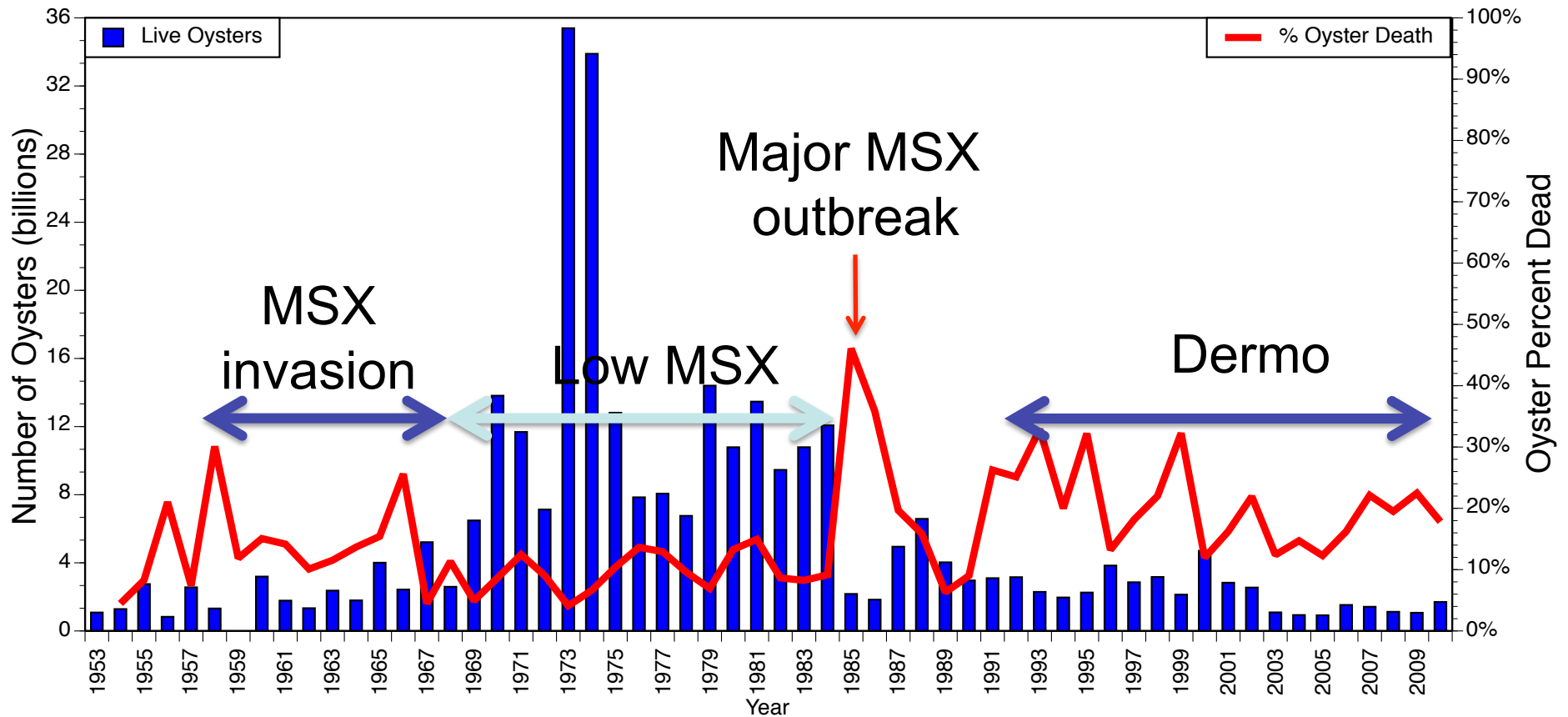
# Oyster Abundance Associated with Oyster Diseases MSX and Dermo



MSX = *Haplosporidium nelsoni*



Dermo = *Perkinsus marinus*



## Disaster's Aftermath: Assessing Hurricane Irene's Damage

Scientists from some of the areas hardest hit have now had time to evaluate the storm's dramatic geologic effects on their home states

By Andrea Mustain and OurAmazing Planet | October 14, 2011

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MINNEAPOLIS — Less than two months after [Hurricane Irene barreled up the eastern coastline](#) of the United States, a group of scientists from some of the areas hardest hit presented evidence of the storm's dramatic geological effects on their home states.

Researchers from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Vermont took to the podium at a meeting of the Geological Society of America, to discuss what they've learned since the massive storm swept across the Northeast.

The numbers that are emerging, not



**EYE FROM THE SKY:** Hurricane Irene makes landfall over New York City. For much of New England, the extreme damage was still to come.  
Image: NASA/NOAA GOES Project

# Tropical Storms Irene and Lee

•“we got a year's worth of precipitation in those two months.”

•“Some streams... saw peak levels that were 300% higher than high-water records”

– Joshua Galster, Montclair State University

•“The flood was so massive it pushed all the salt water out into the ocean”

– Douglas A. Burns, U.S. Geological Survey

# Hurricane Irene

Dates: 08/20 - 08/28 2011  
Maximum Wind Speed: 120 mph  
Minimum Pressure: 942 mb  
US Landfall Category: unknown  
Deaths: 0  
US Damage (Millions US \$): 0

## Storm Category

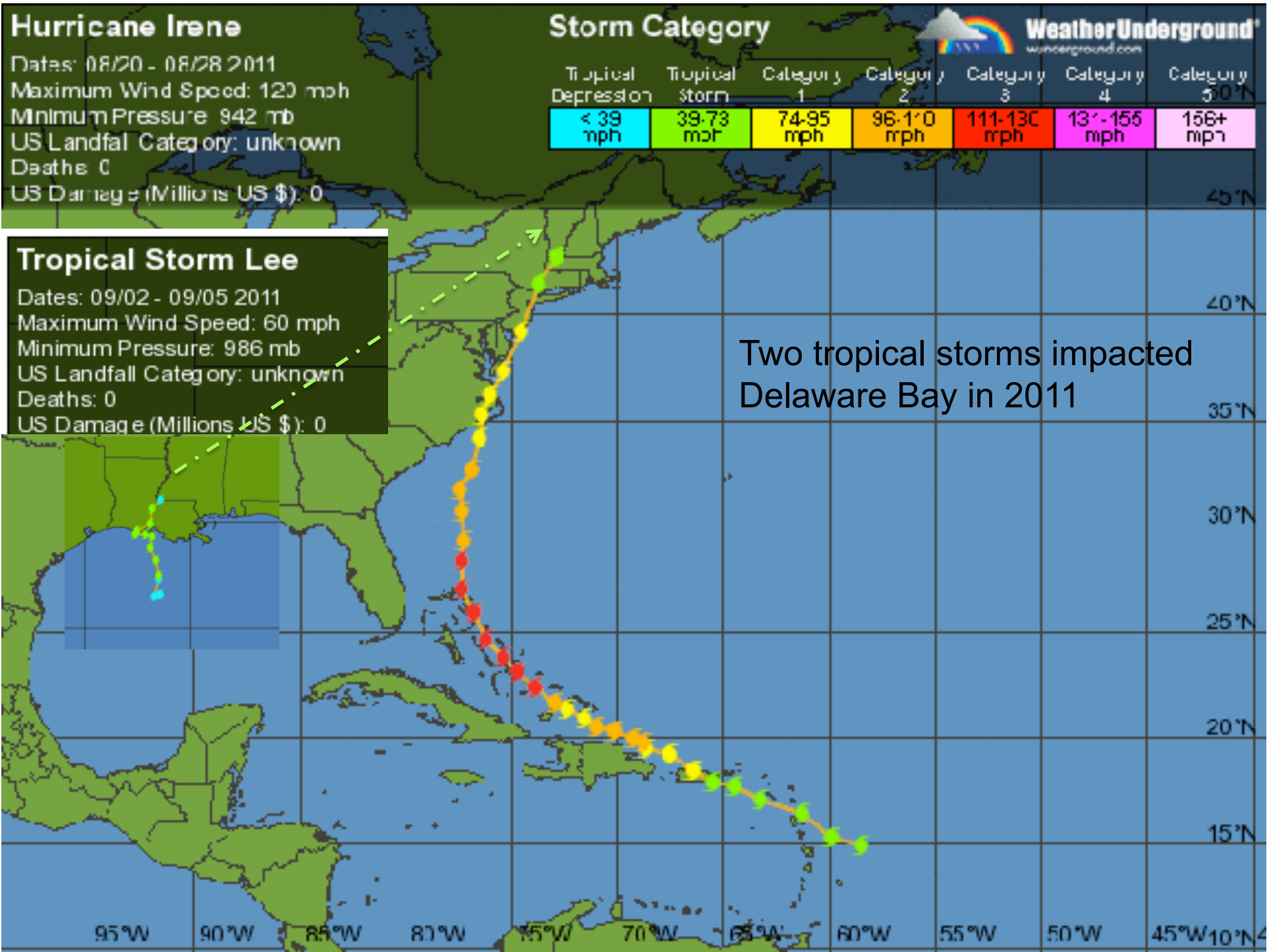
Tropical Depression	Tropical Storm	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Category 5
< 39 mph	39-73 mph	74-95 mph	96-110 mph	111-130 mph	131-155 mph	156+ mph



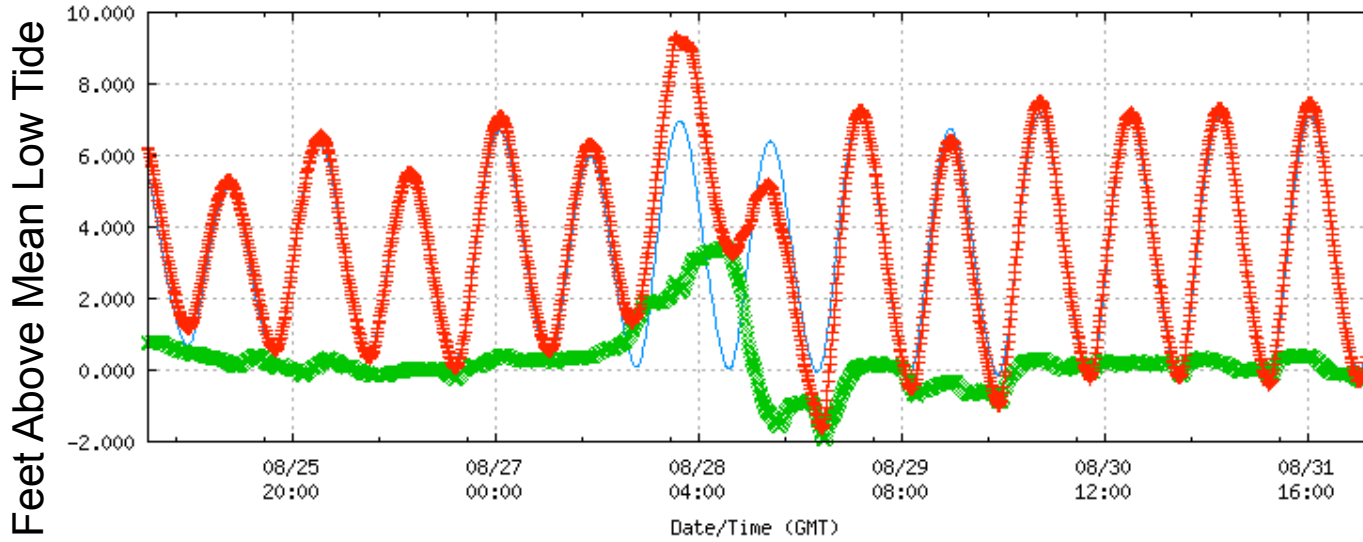
# Tropical Storm Lee

Dates: 09/02 - 09/05 2011  
Maximum Wind Speed: 60 mph  
Minimum Pressure: 986 mb  
US Landfall Category: unknown  
Deaths: 0  
US Damage (Millions US \$): 0

Two tropical storms impacted Delaware Bay in 2011



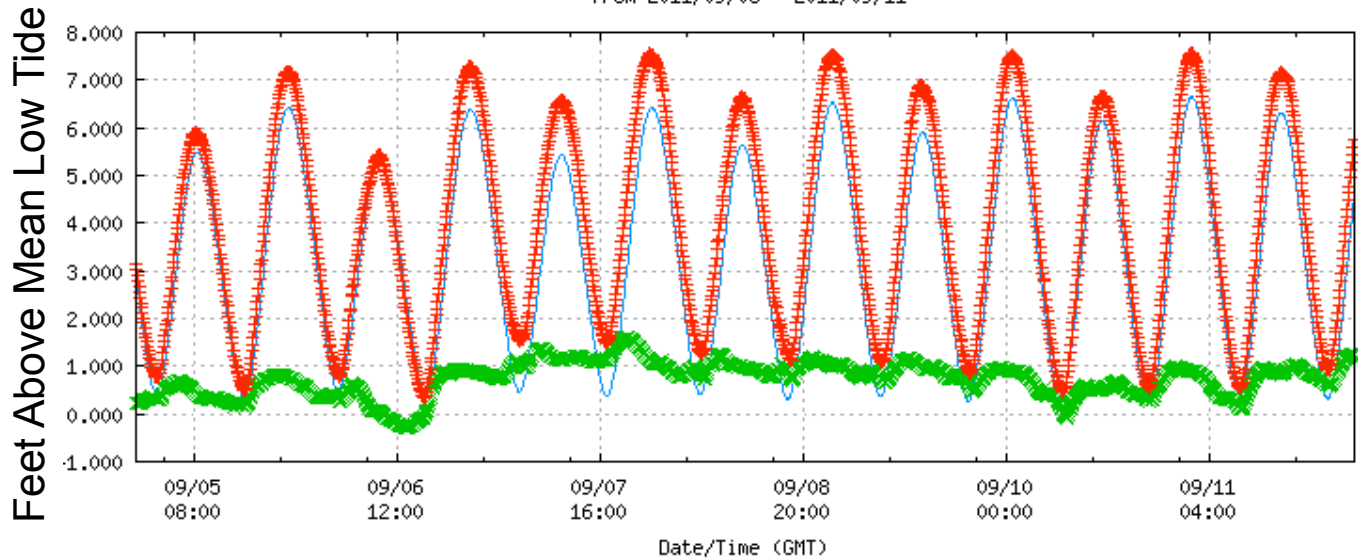
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 Verified Water Level vs. Predicted Plot  
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Irene storm  
 surge August  
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 Peak at low tide

Predicted Tide — (Obs-Pred) × Observed WL +

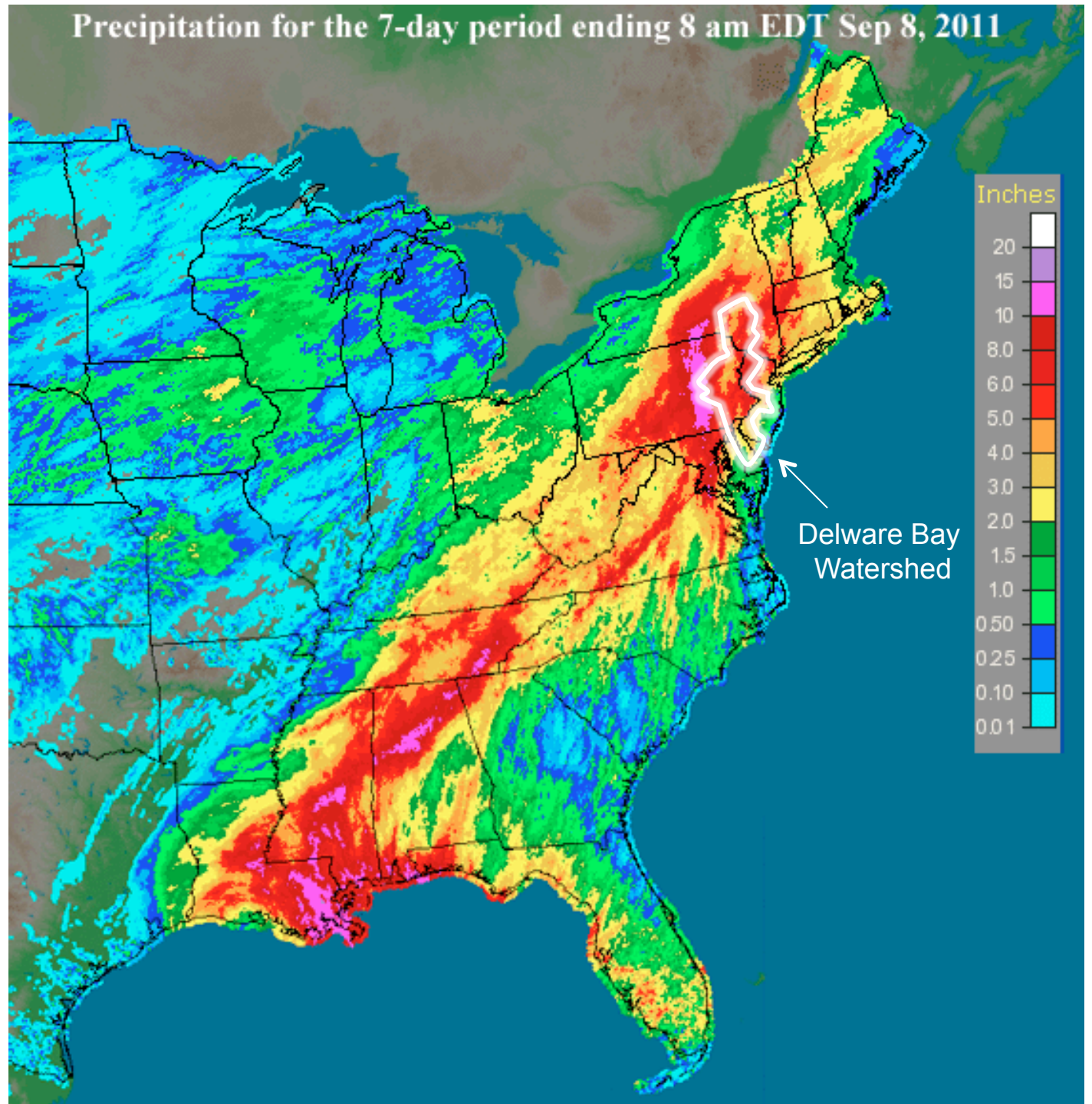
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TS Lee  
 Sept 8, 2011  
 No storm surge

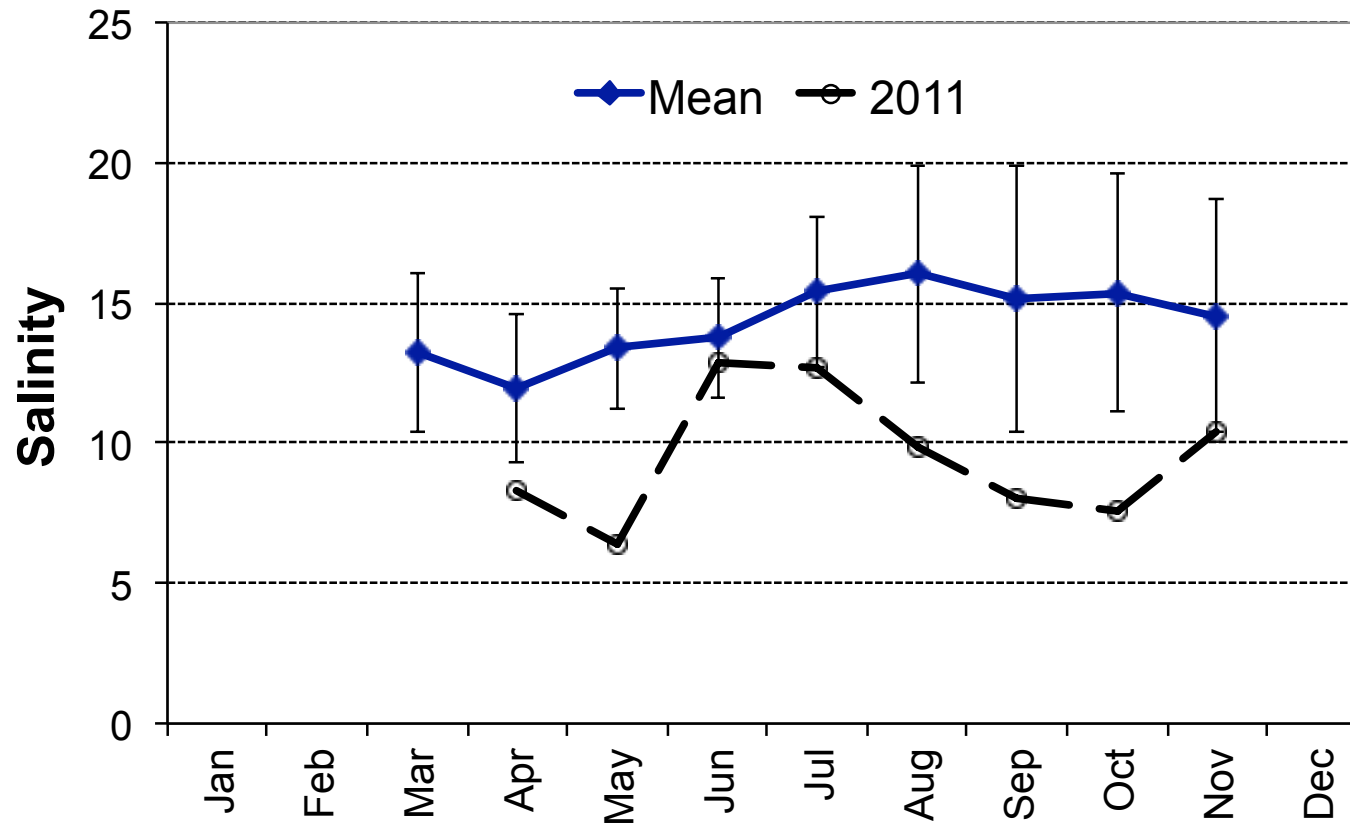
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Rainfall  
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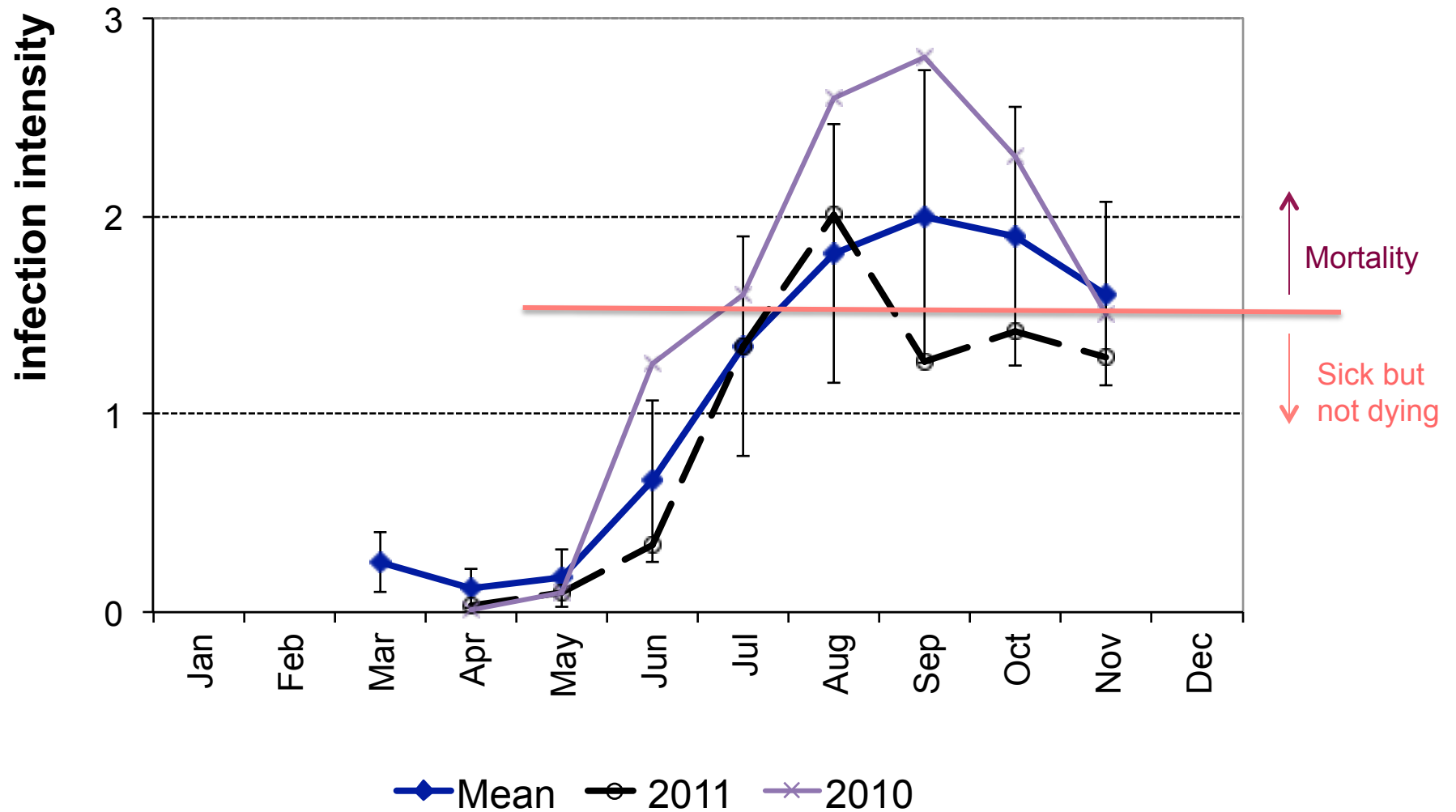
# Unusually low salinity year

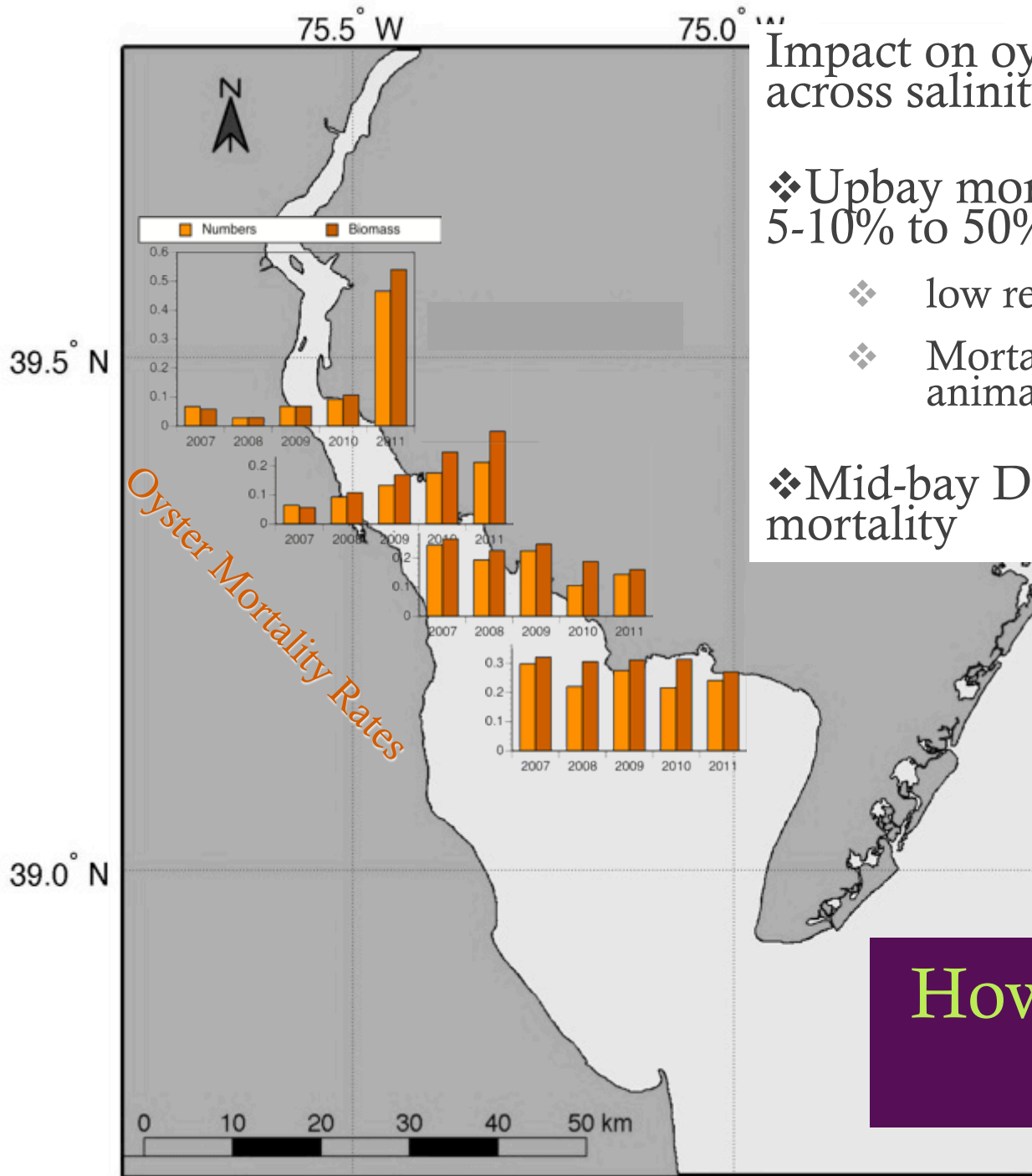
## Salinity





# Seasonal Dermo Cycle





Impact on oyster mortality varied across salinity gradient:

❖ Upbay mortality increased from 5-10% to 50%-70%

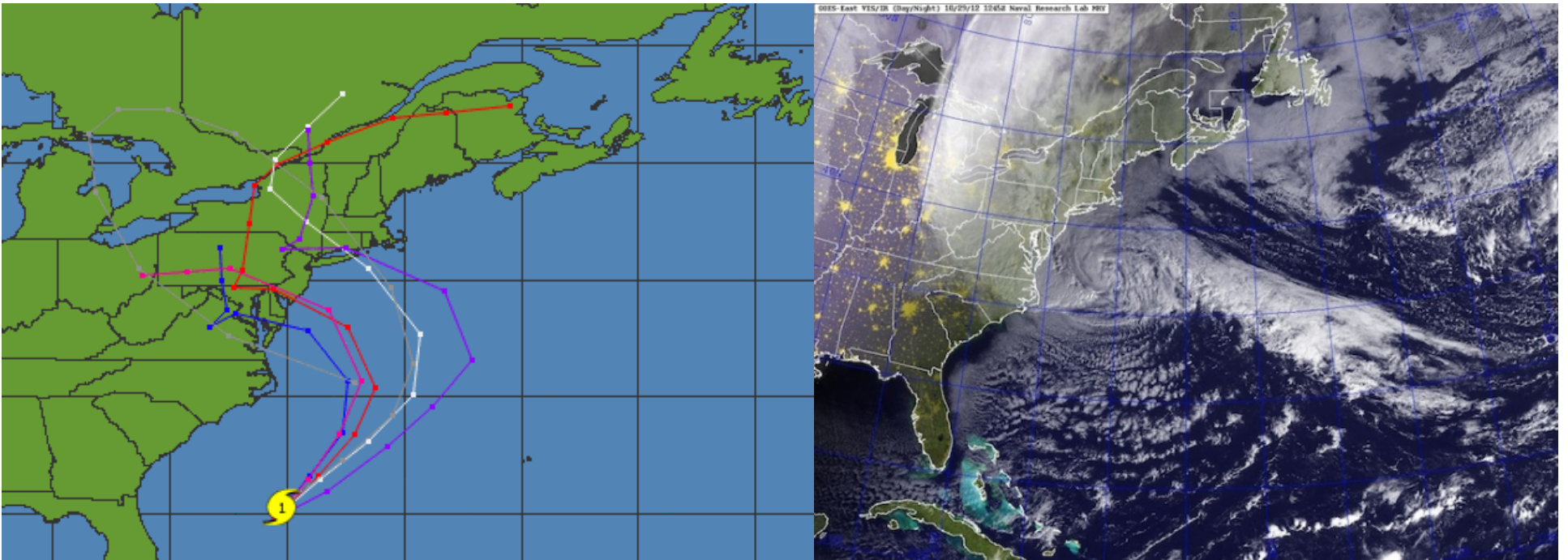
- ❖ low recruitment area
- ❖ Mortality biased toward large animals

❖ Mid-bay Dermo decrease reduced mortality

How long will these effects last?

# How to Forecast Biology?

- ❖ What would you put in a model?

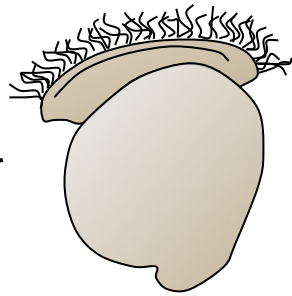


*DyPoGEn*  
*Dynamic Population Genetics Engine*

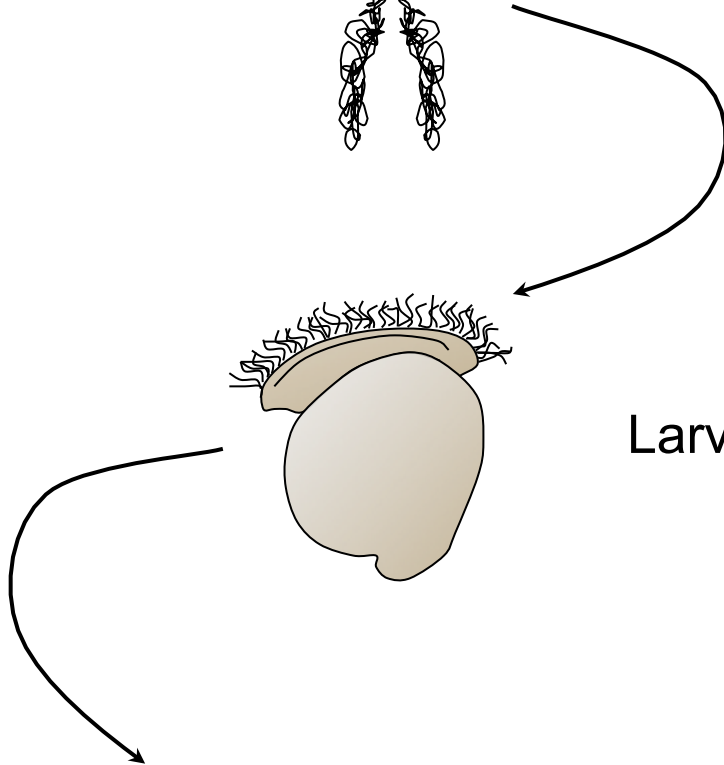
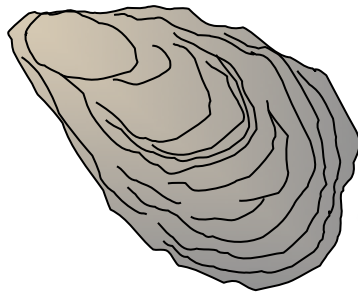
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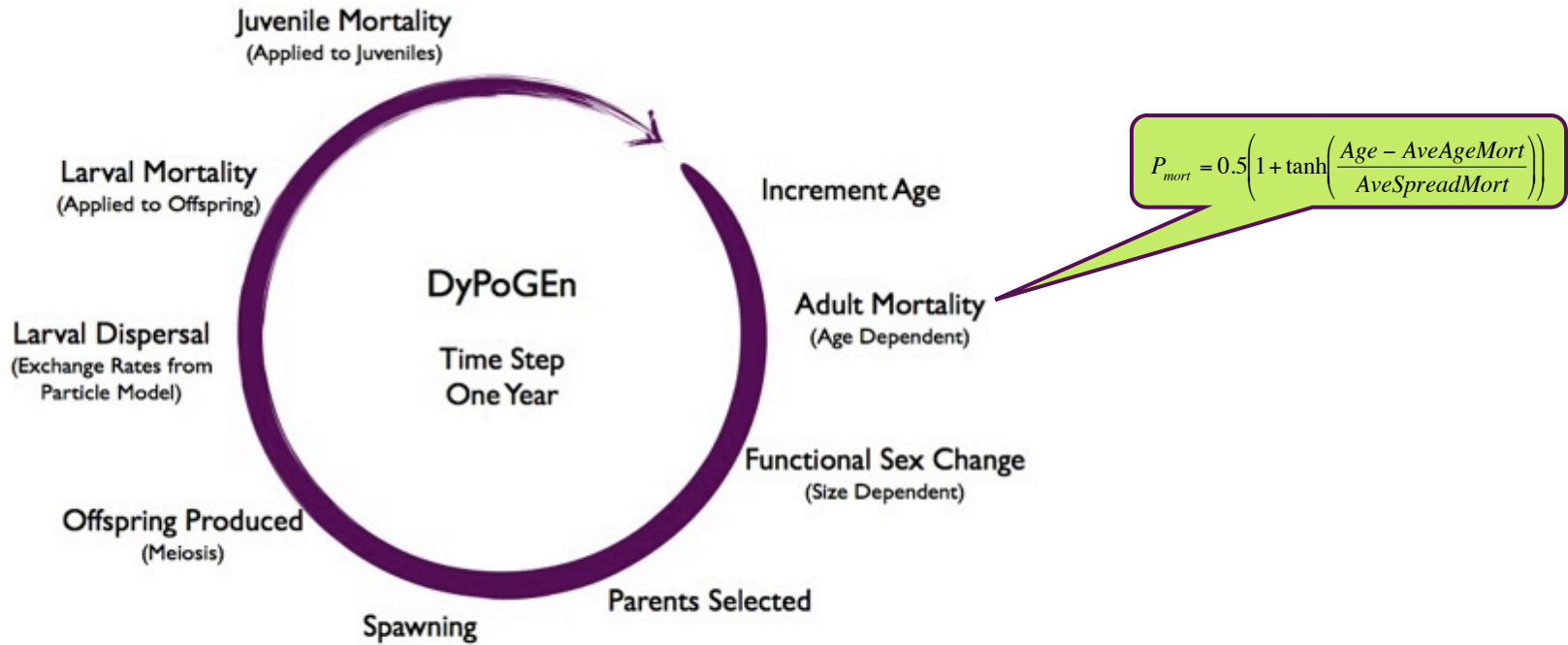
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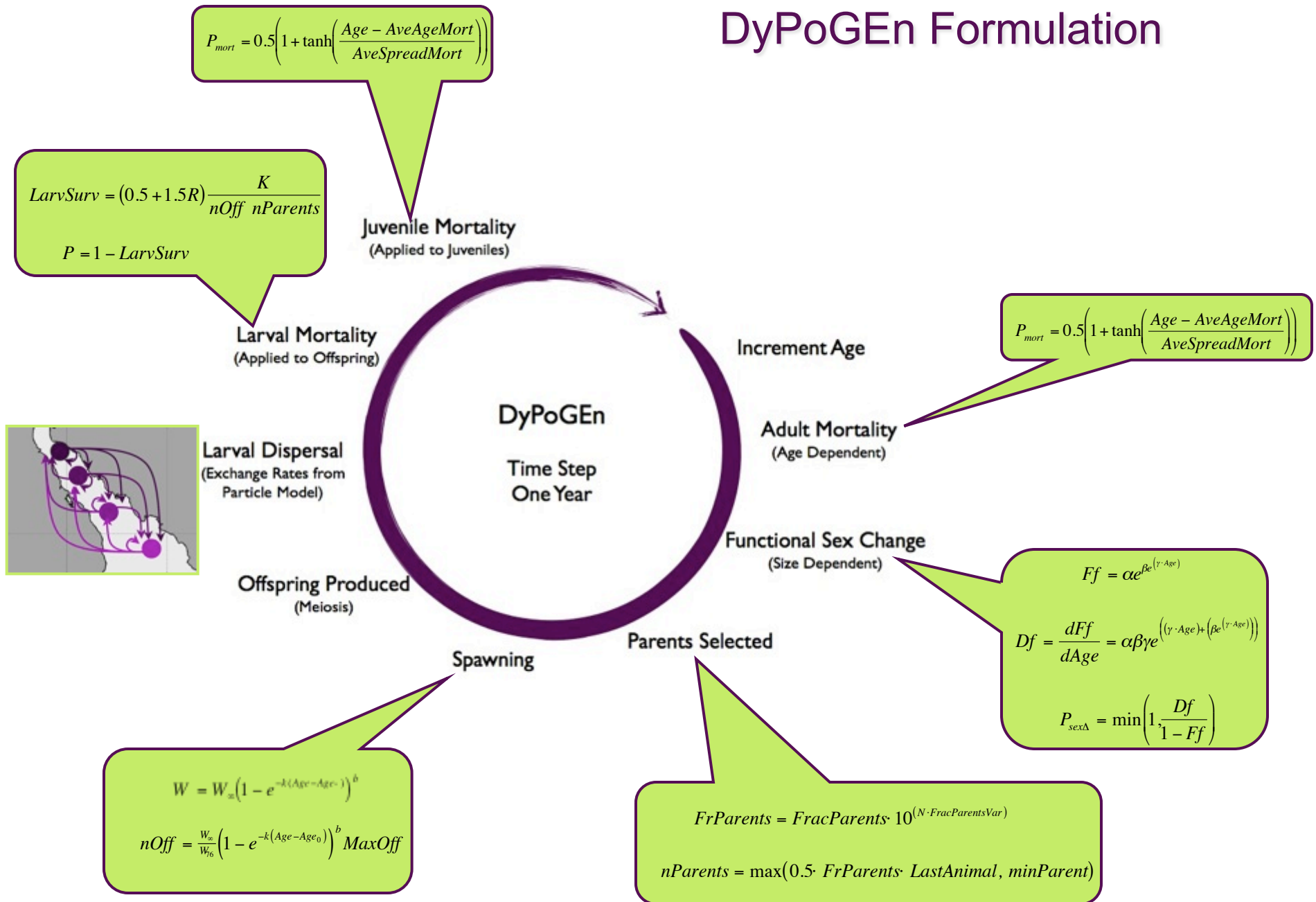
Local  
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# DyPoGEN Formulation



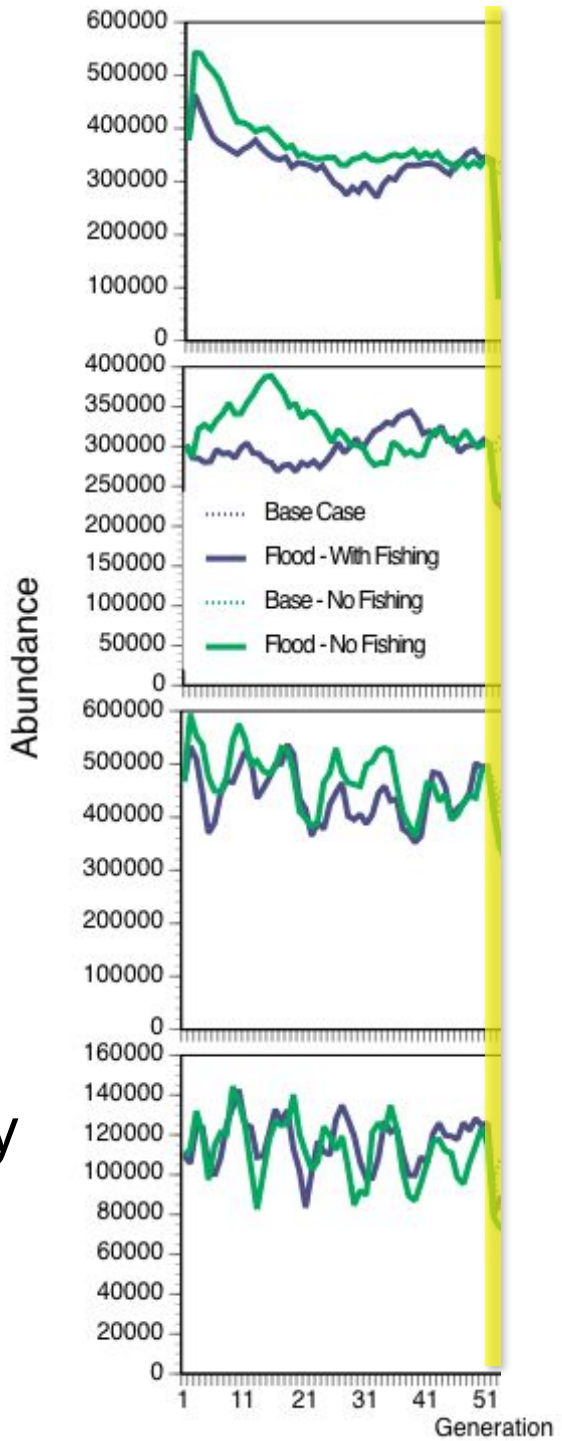
# DyPoGEN Formulation



Upbay



Downbay



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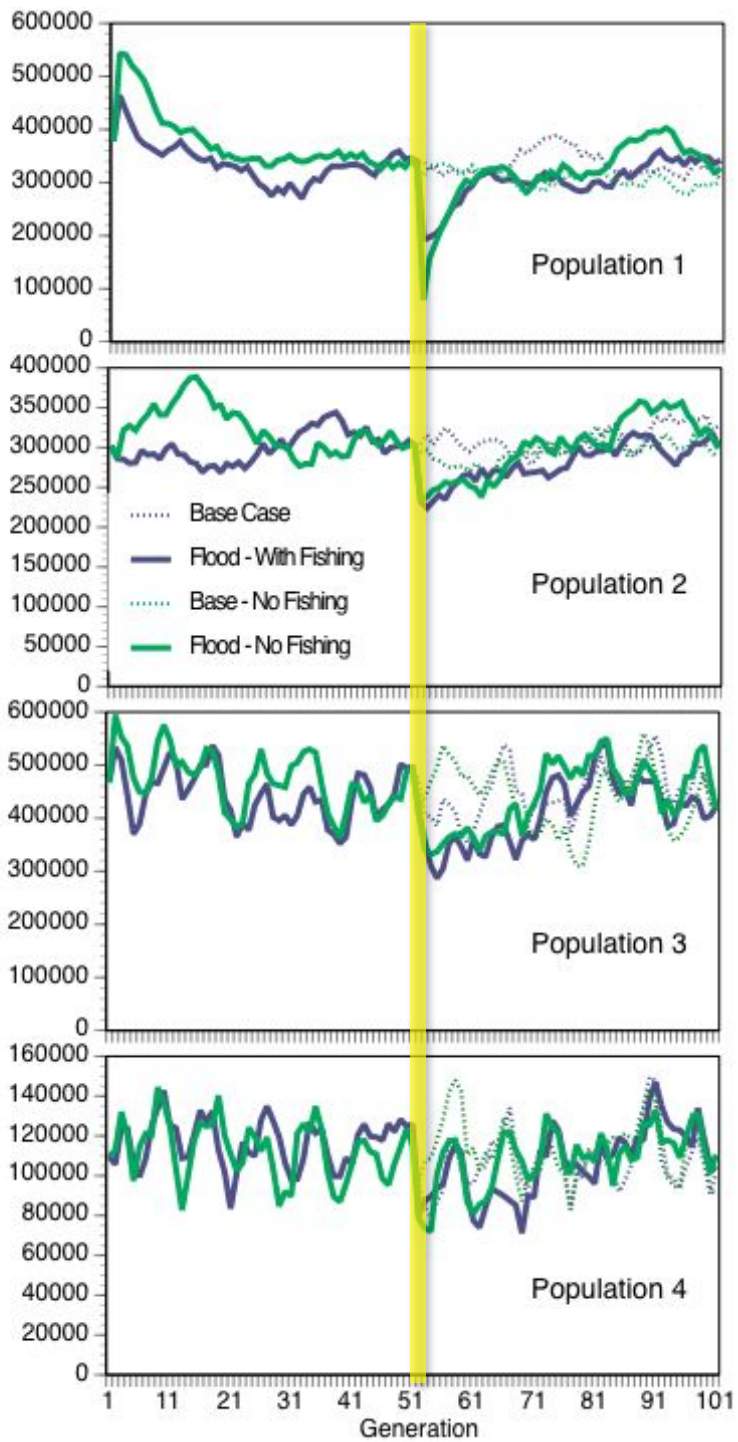
Upba

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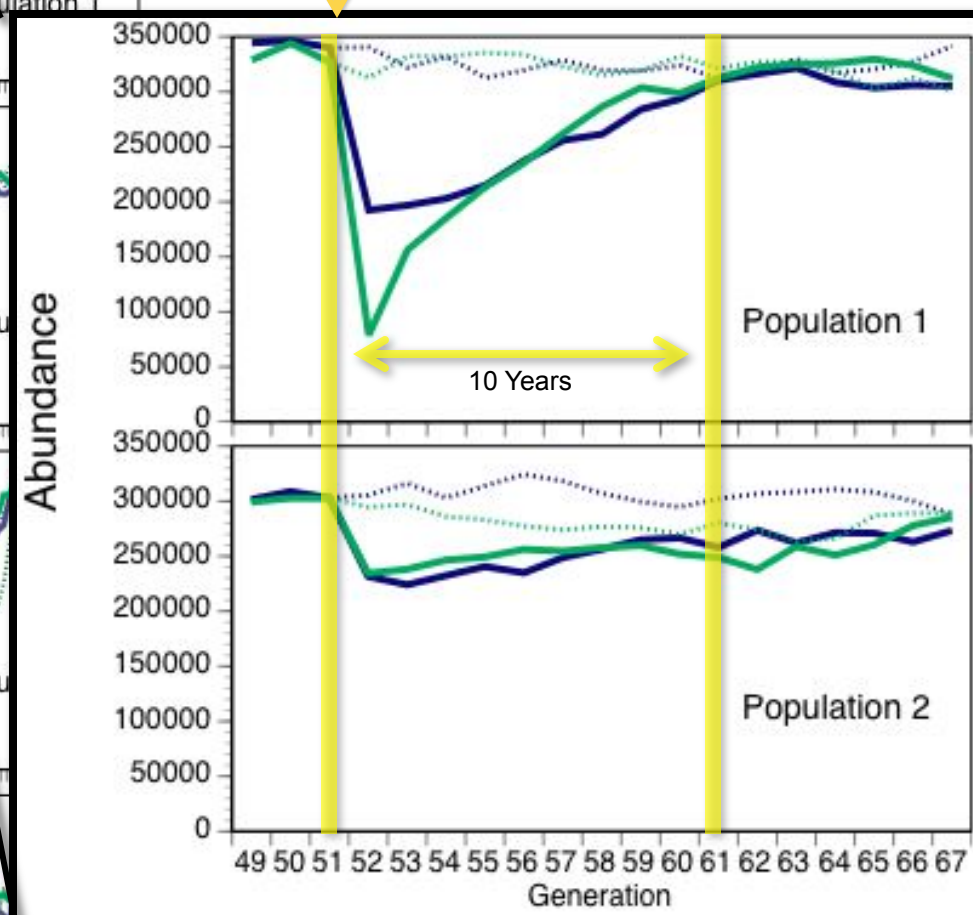
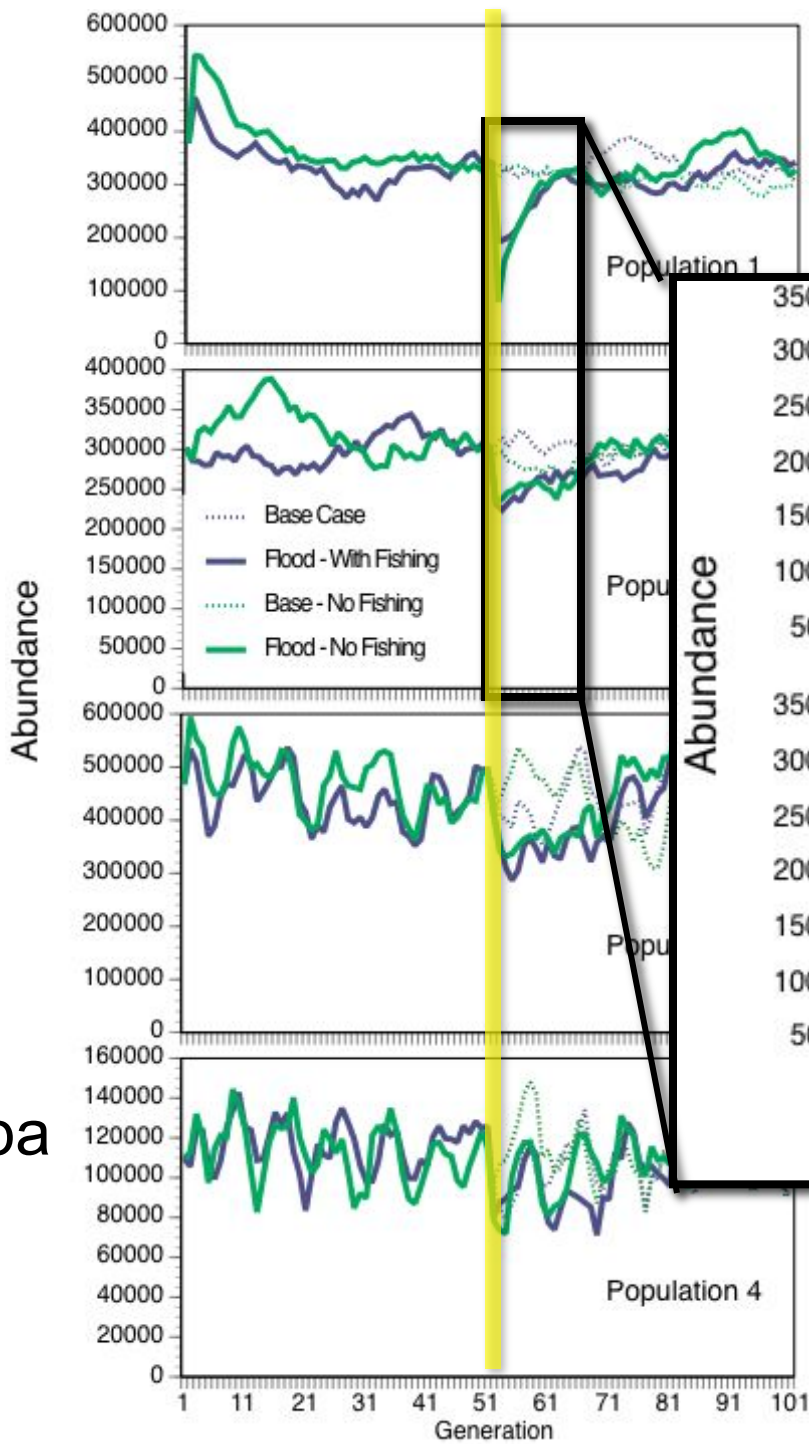
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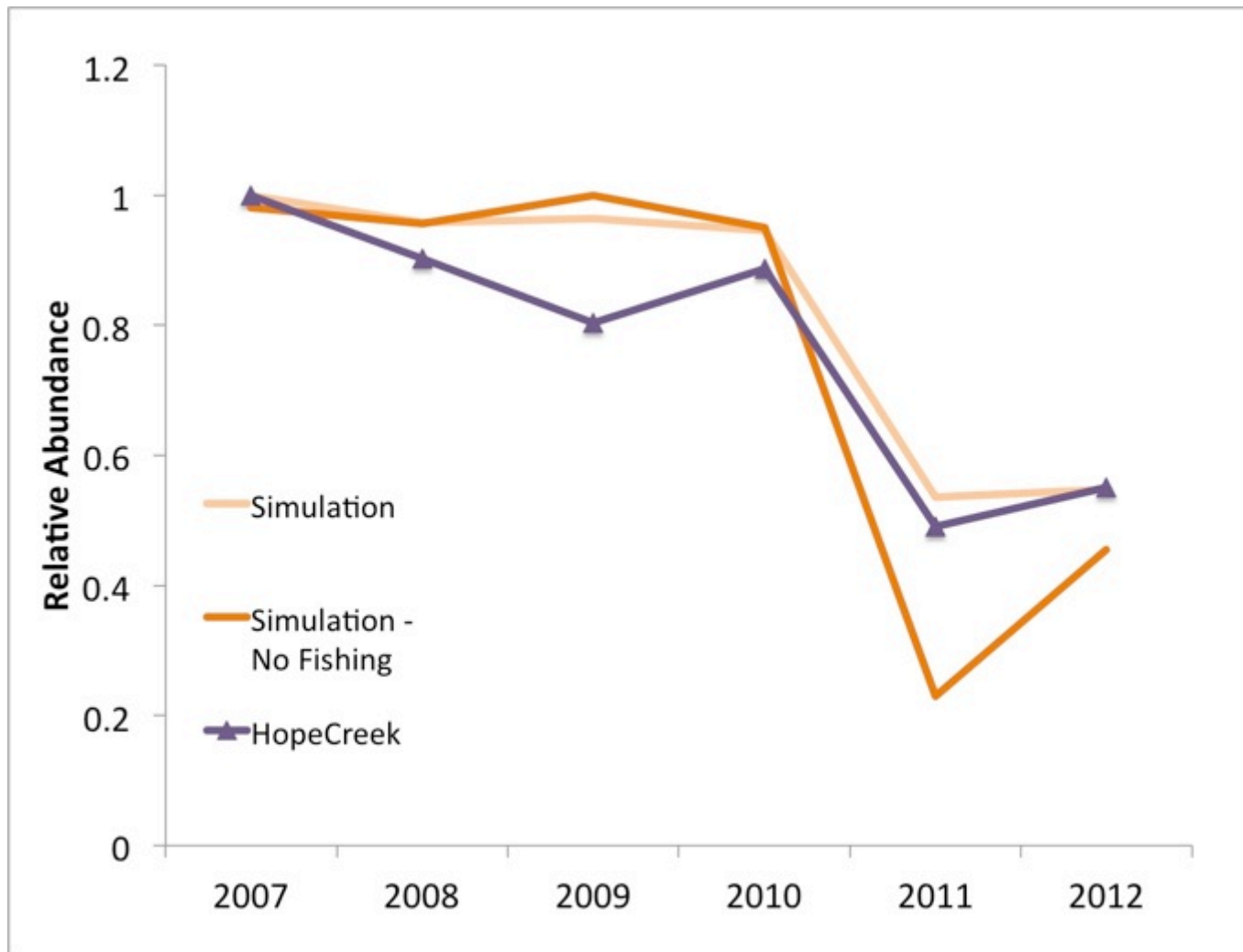
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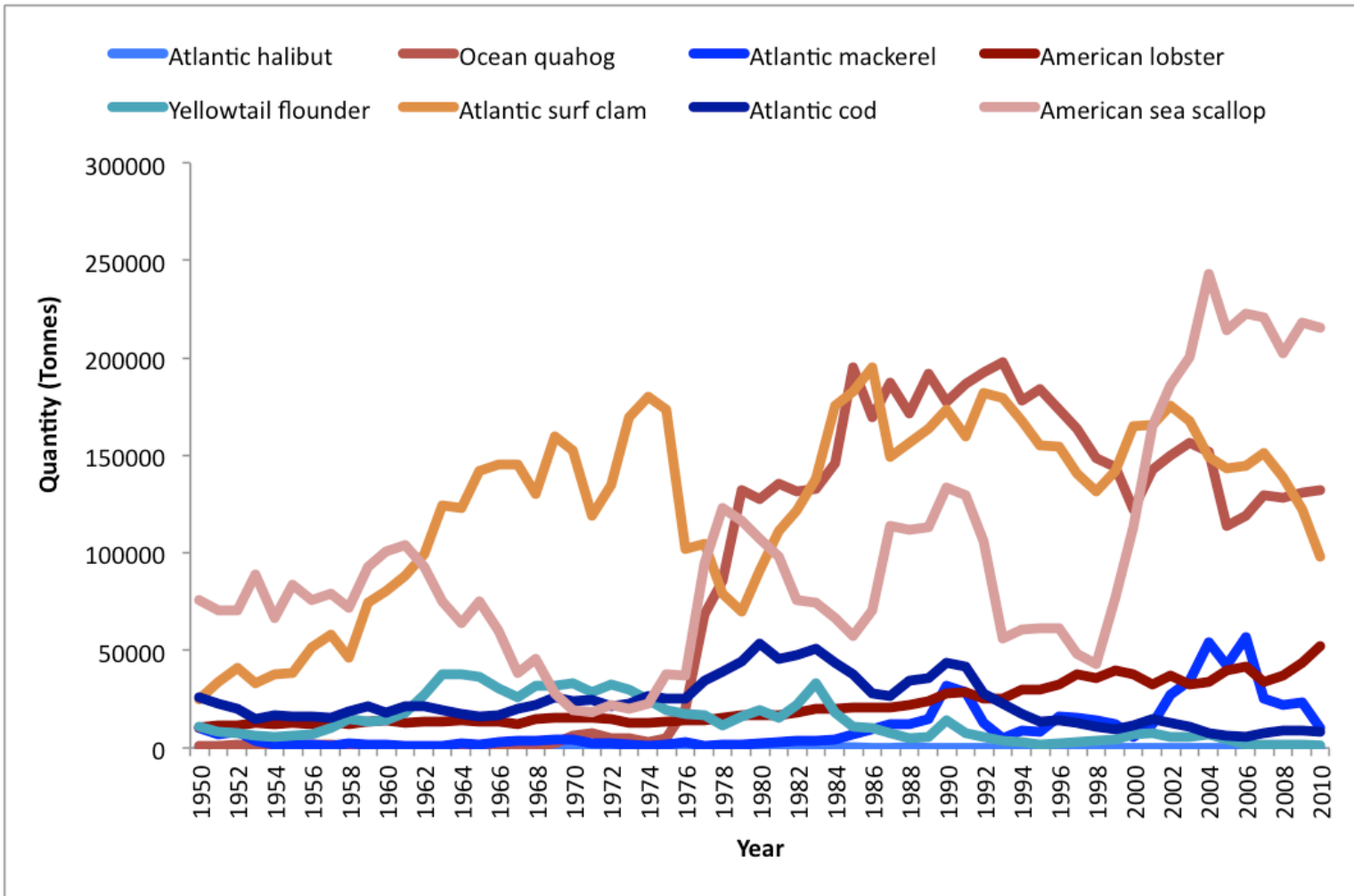
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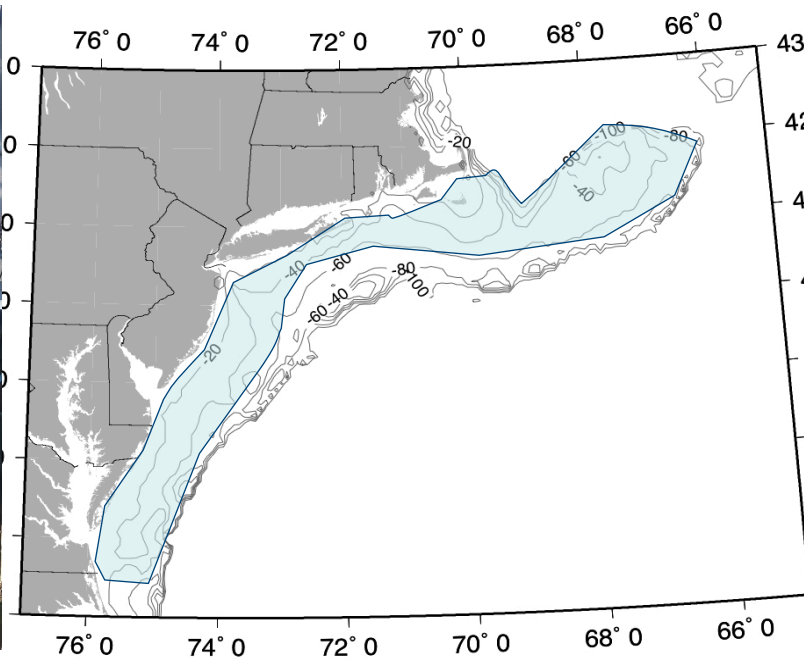
Recovery window  
~ \$5 M direct loss to fishermen  
~ \$32 M regional economy

## Compare with Current Stock Assessment Data



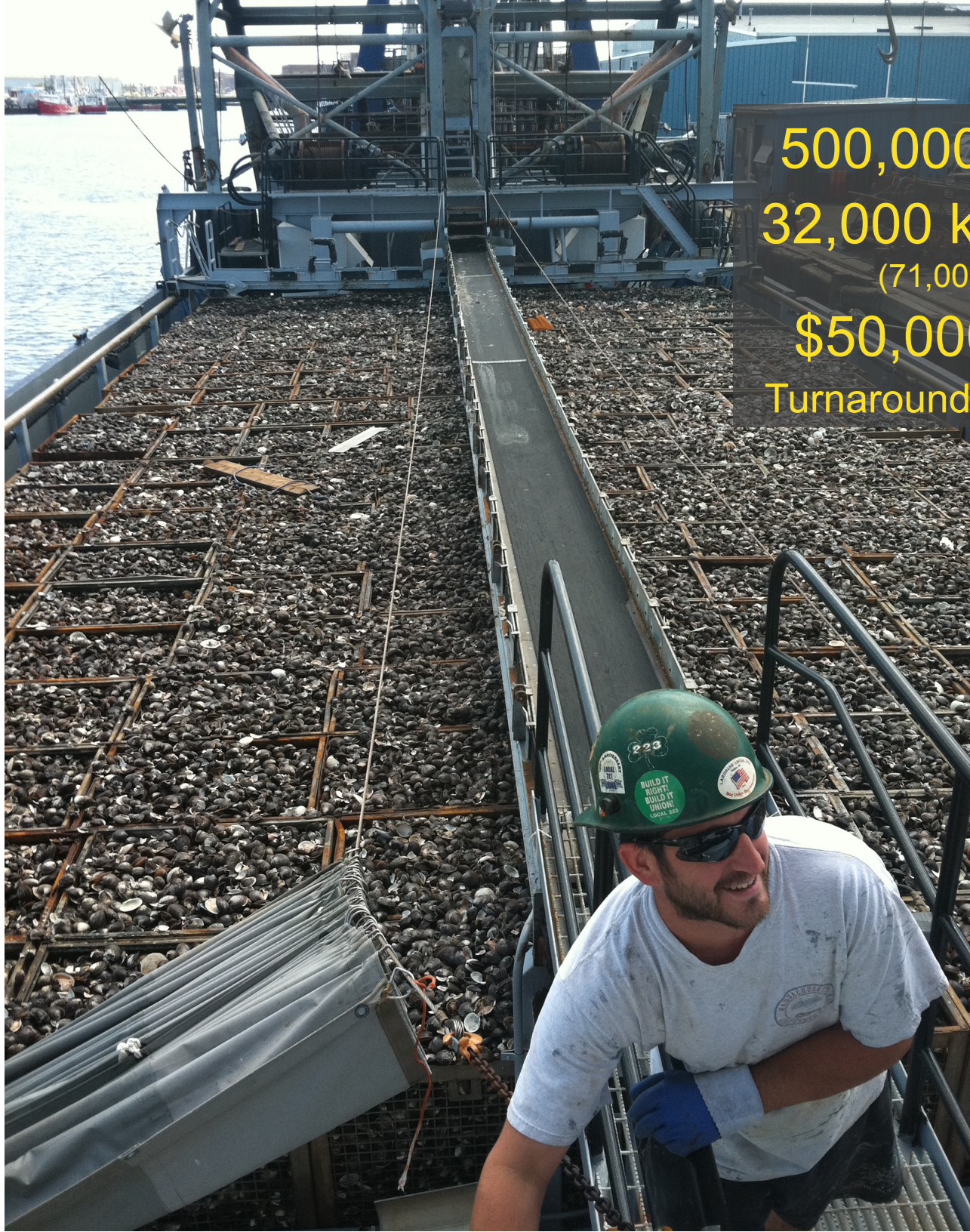


Data: FAO FishstatJ



- Operates along the MAB in federal waters
- Large vessels (165 ft)
- Hydraulic dredges
- Clams are large, in dense beds on sandy bottoms
- High value fishery

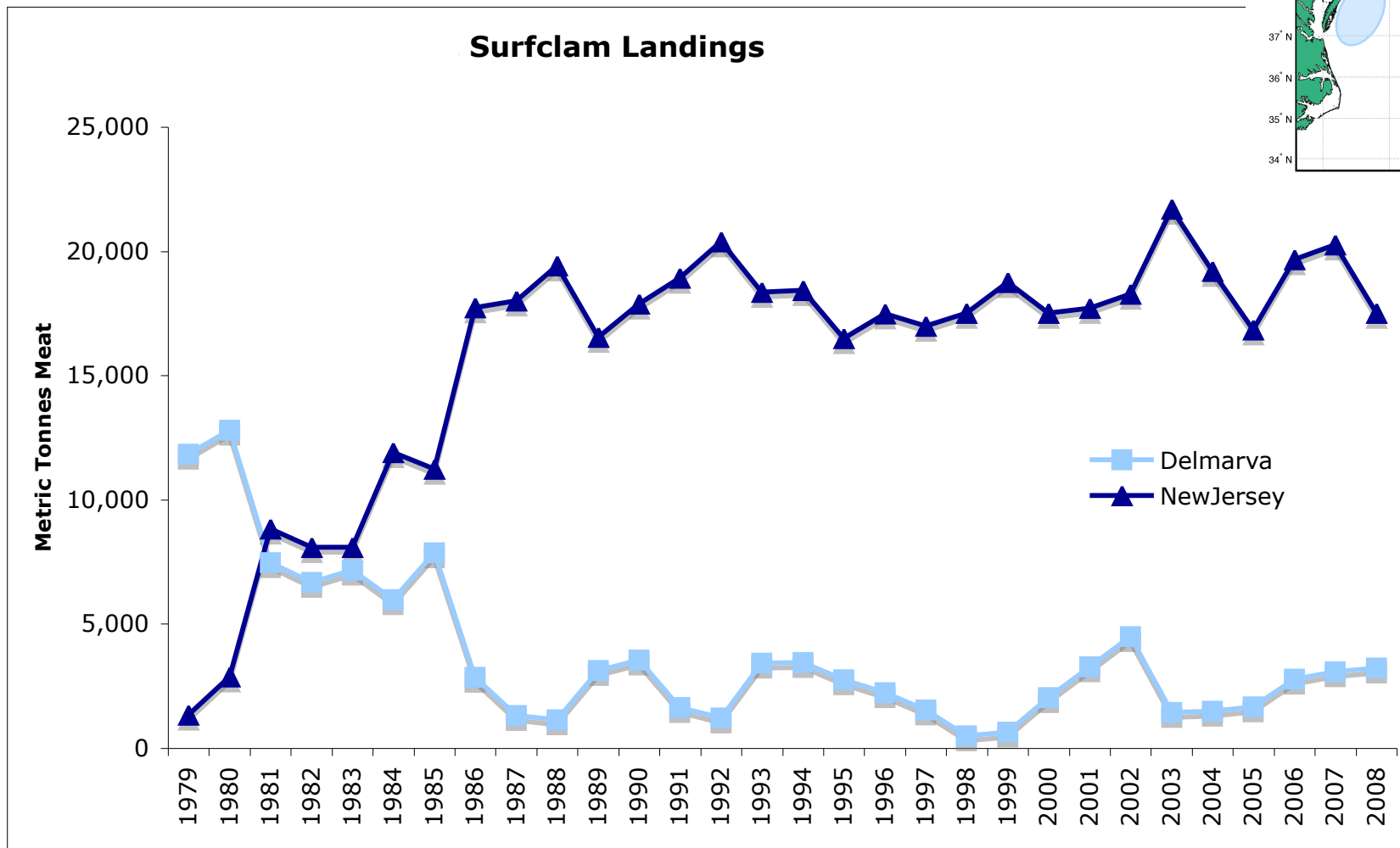
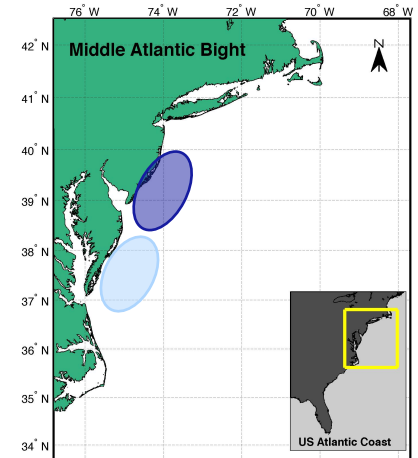




500,000 clams  
32,000 kg meat  
(71,000 lbs)  
\$50,000 USD  
Turnaround - 1-3 days

Photo Credit:  
Daniel Mohr

# Range Shift



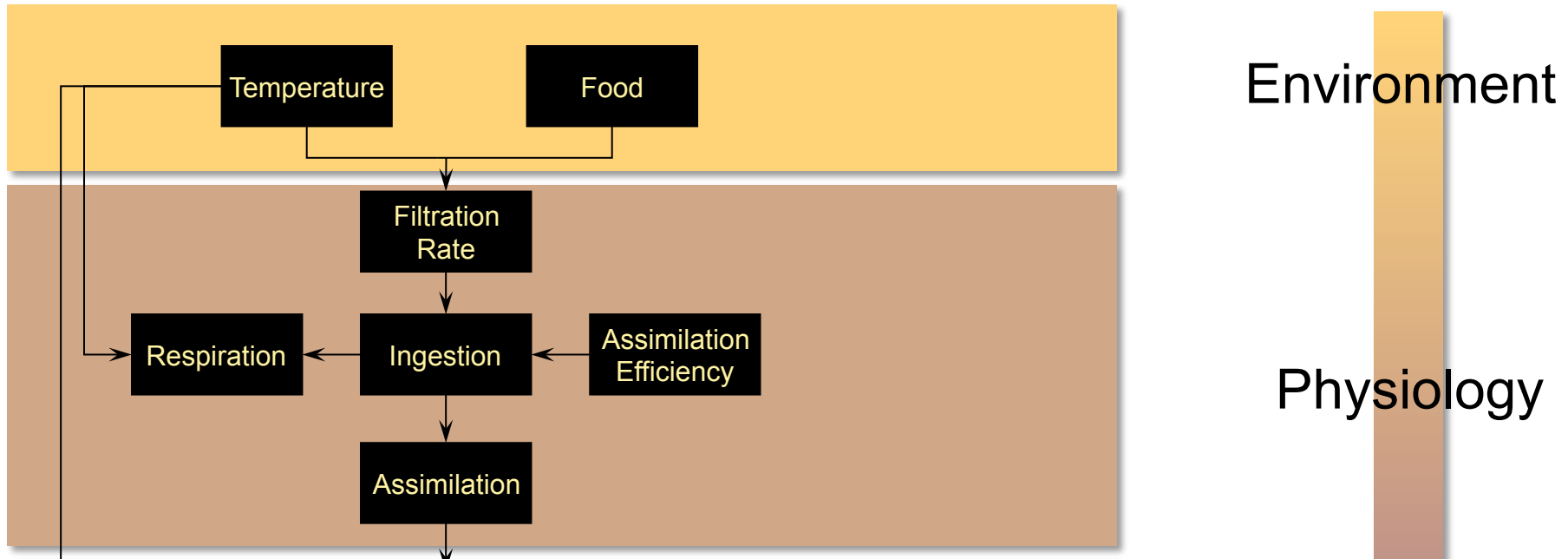
Trends in clam landings based on the 49th Northeast Regional Stock Assessment Workshop Report (NFSC Reference Doc # 10-01)

# *Individual Surfclam Model*



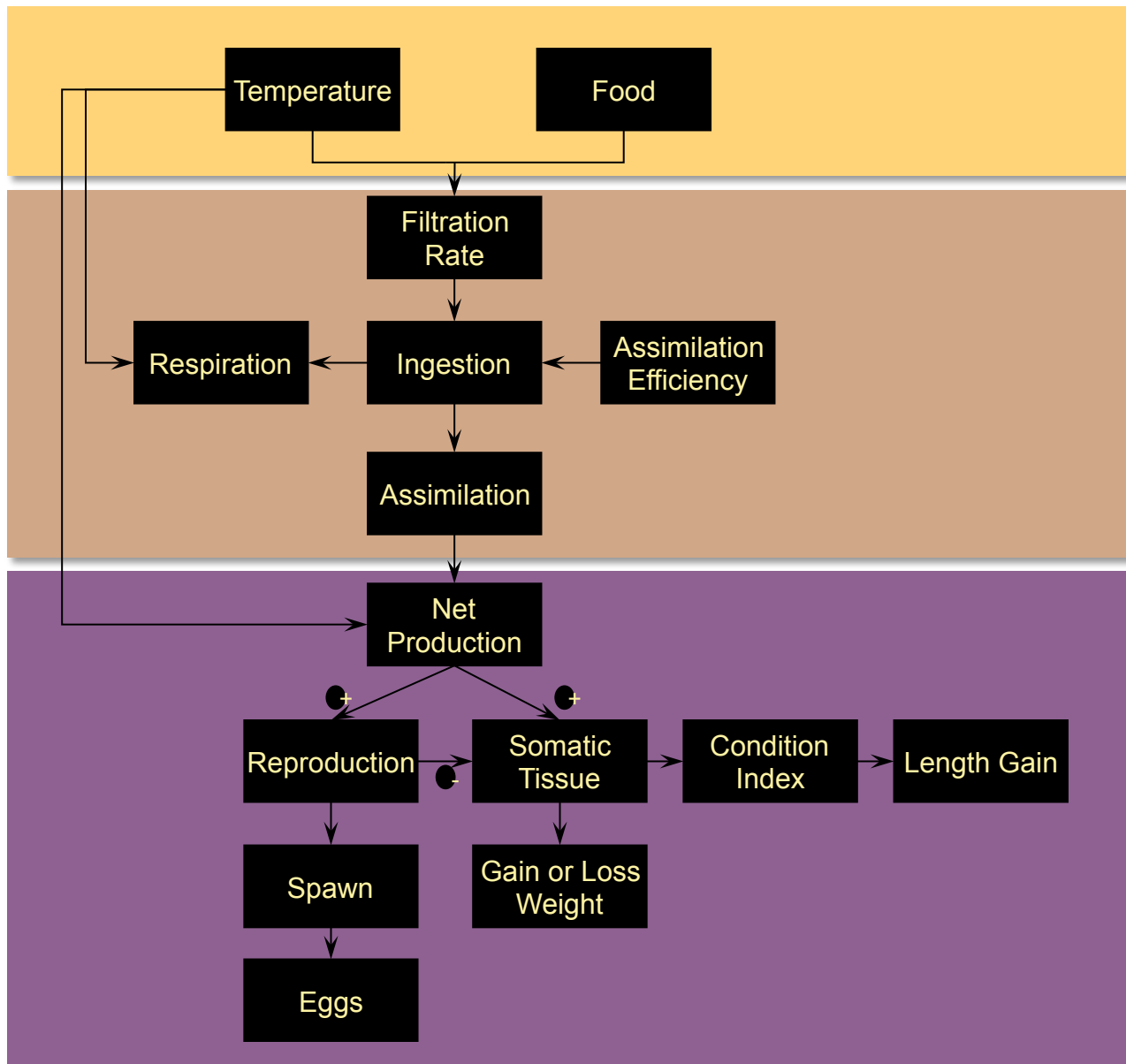
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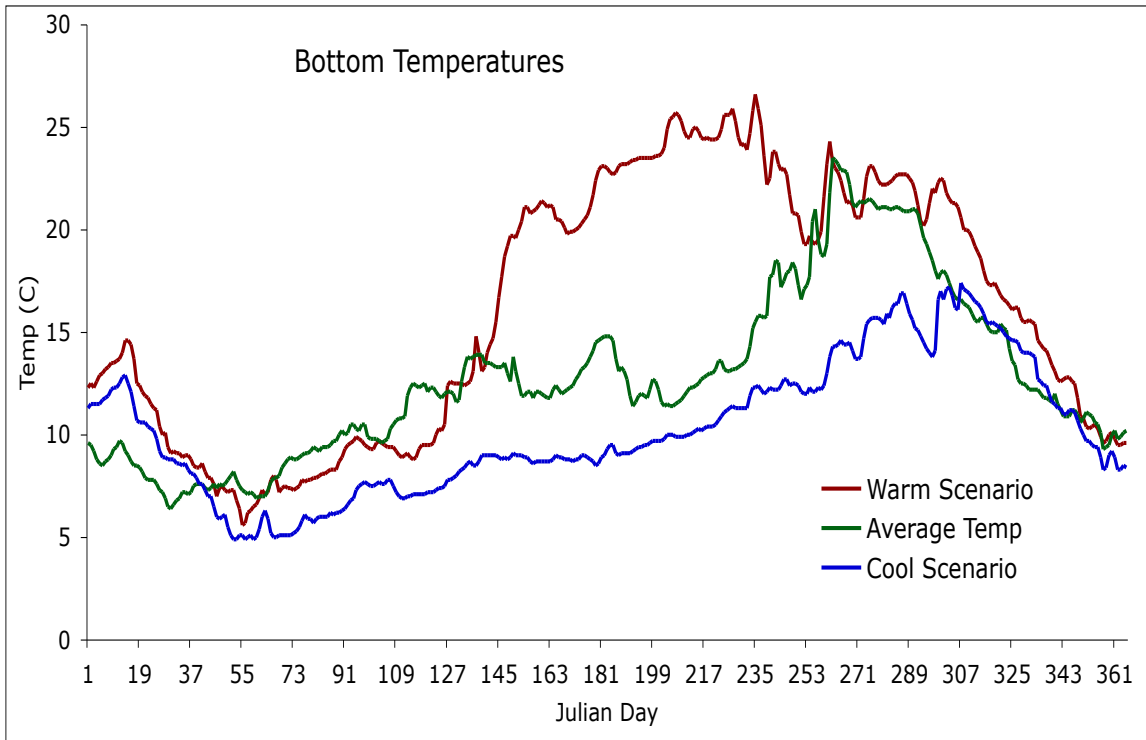
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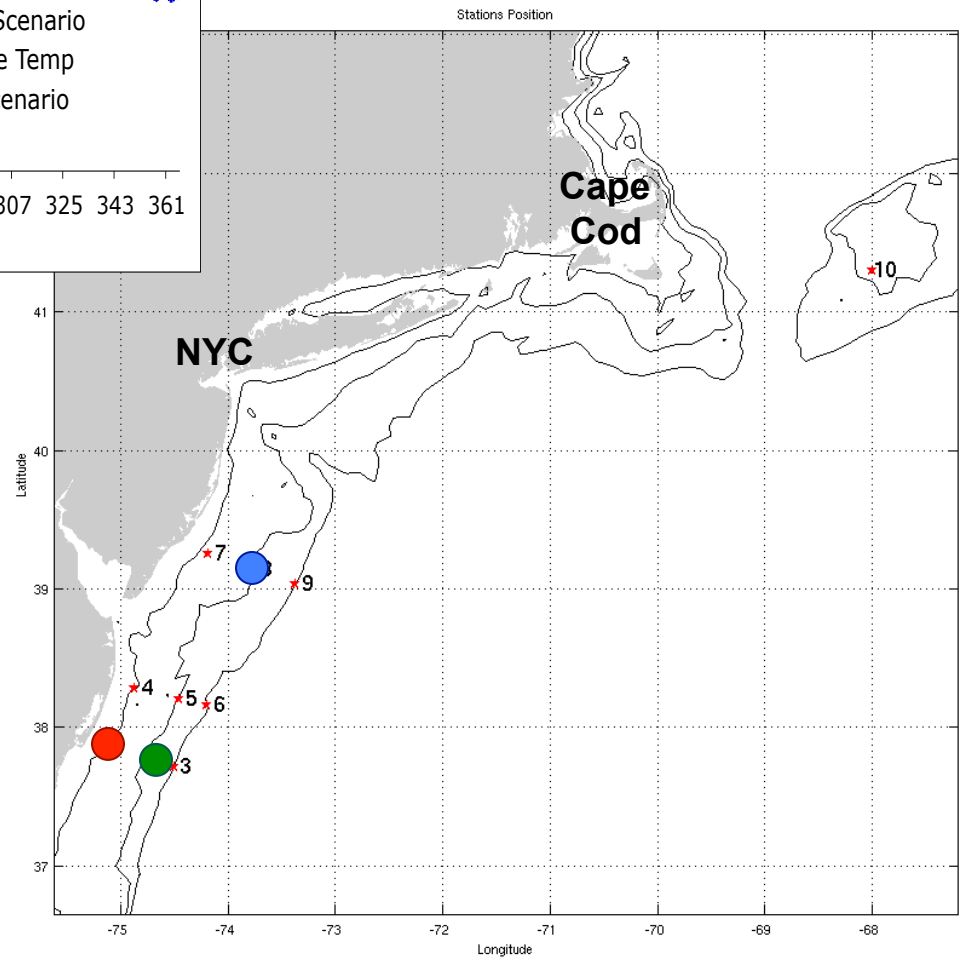
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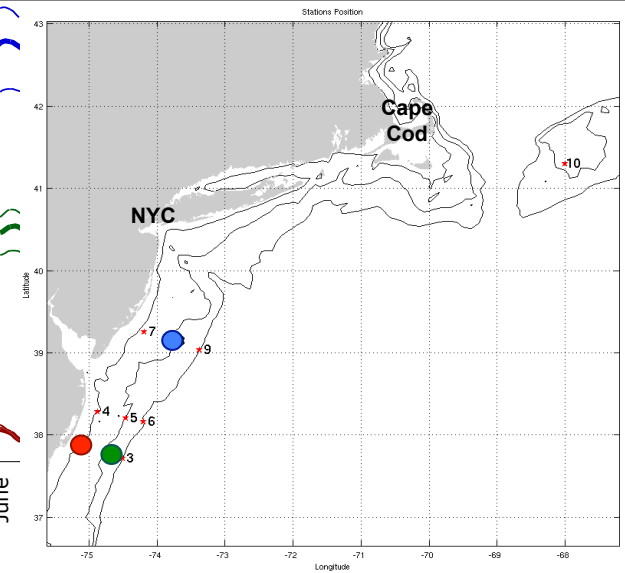
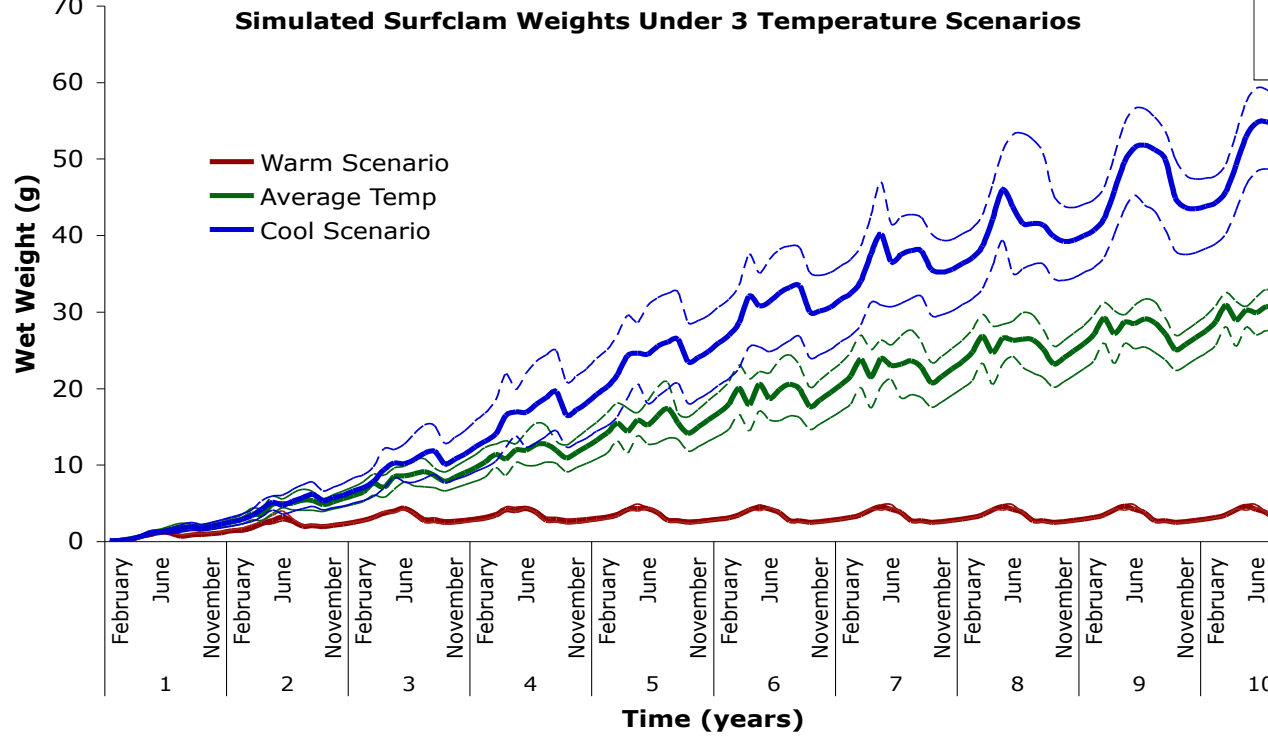
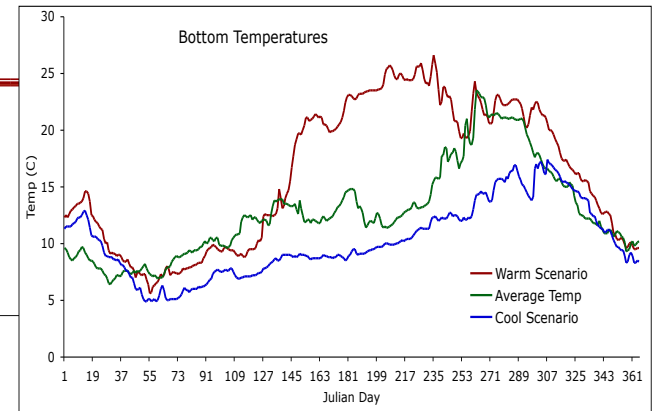
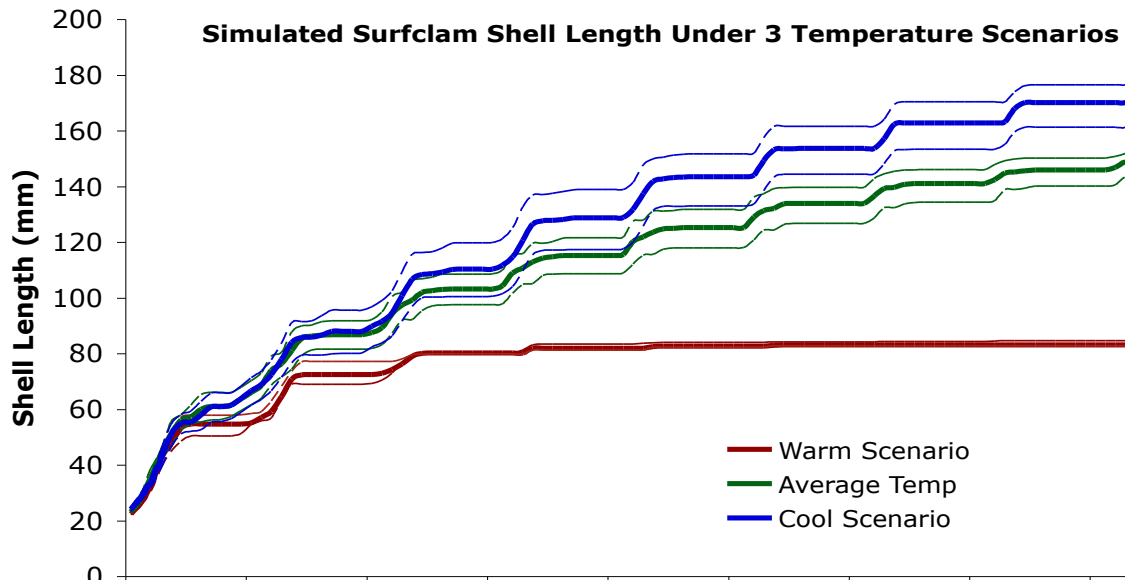
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Clam  
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Annual Bottom Temperatures (2007)









Thanks!

