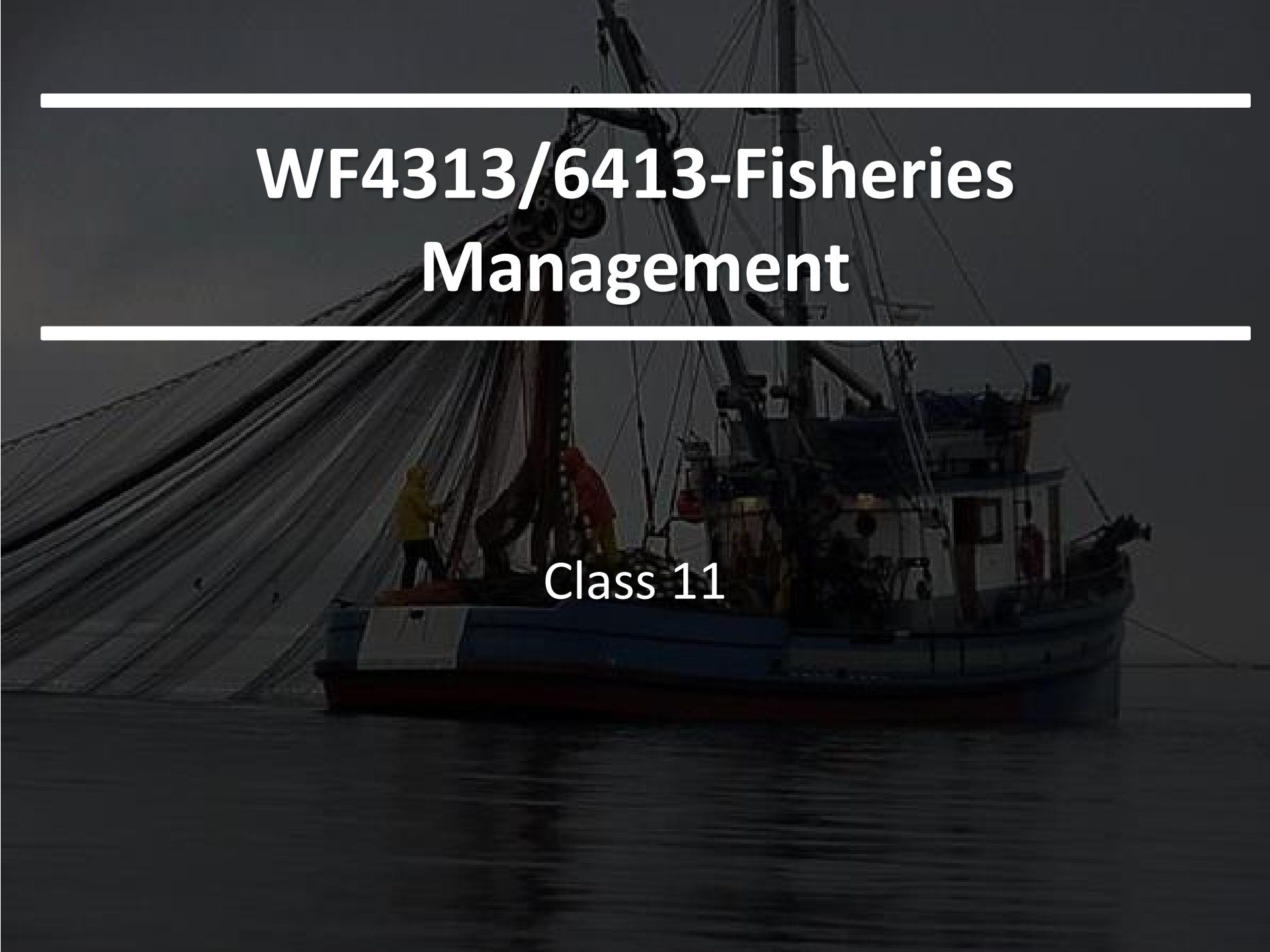

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Class 11

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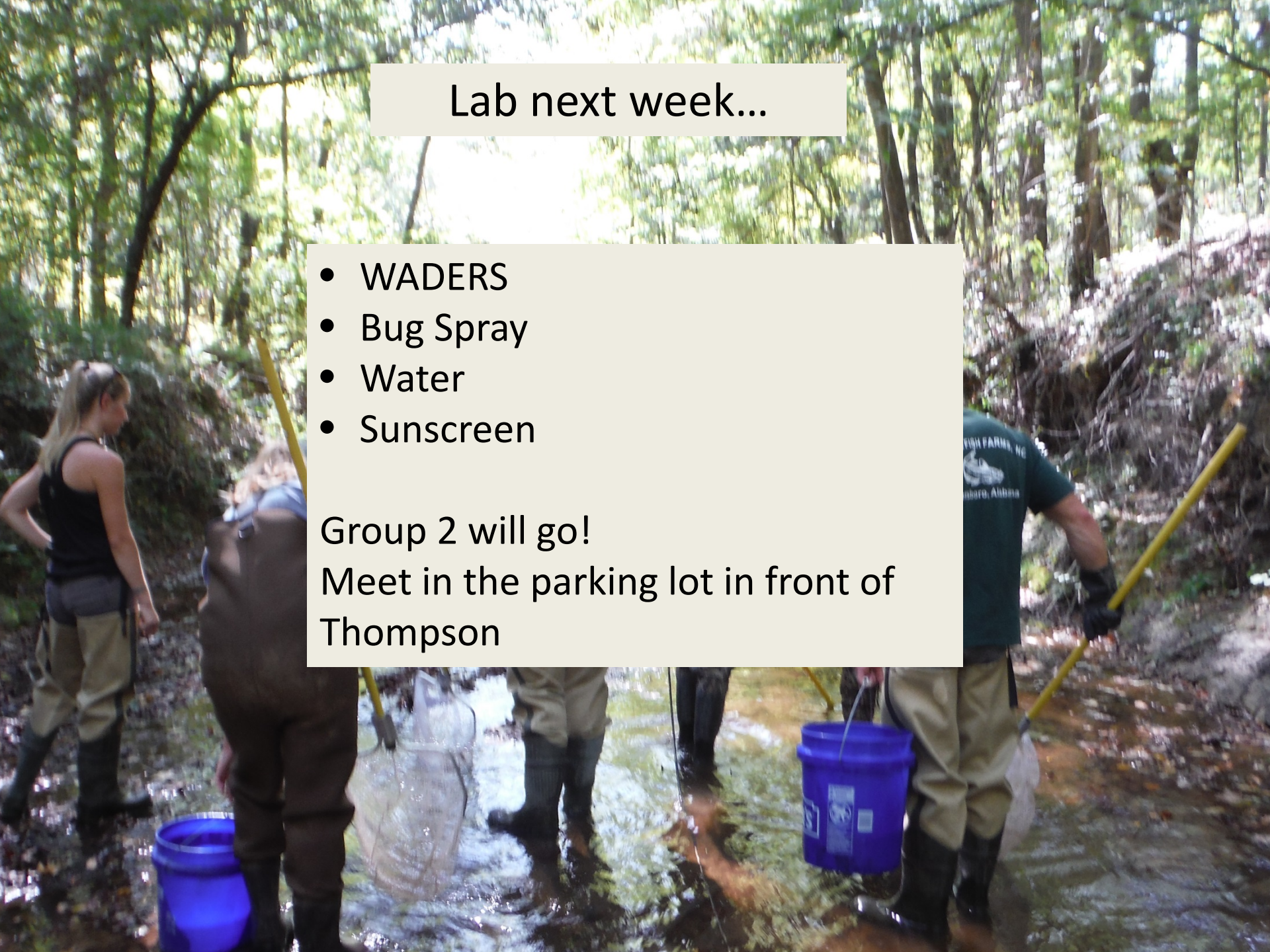


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- Bug Spray
- Water
- Sunscreen

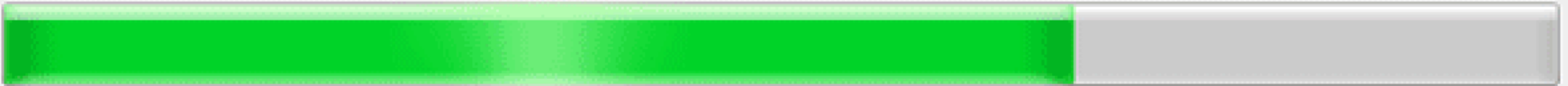
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Meet in the parking lot in front of Thompson



Exam I

Working, Please wait...



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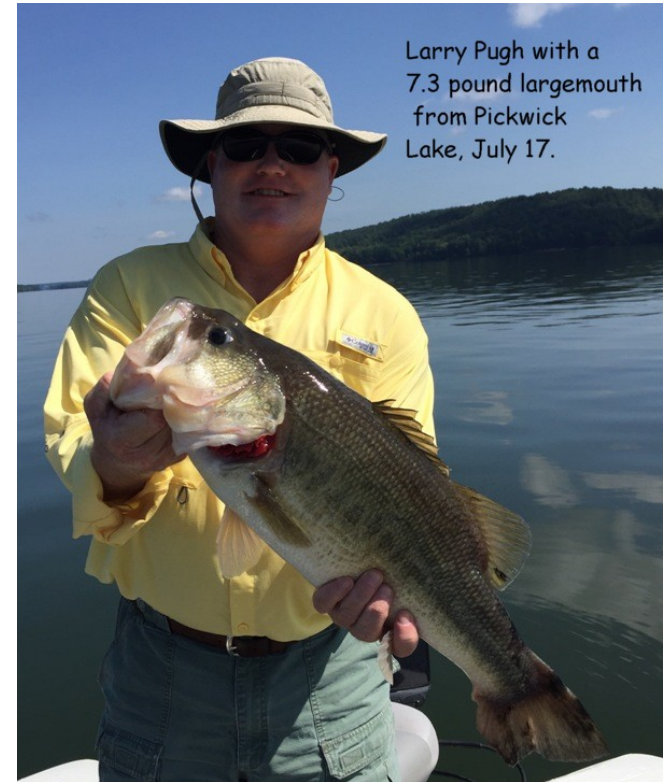
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STRUCTURE IN AGE STRUCTURED
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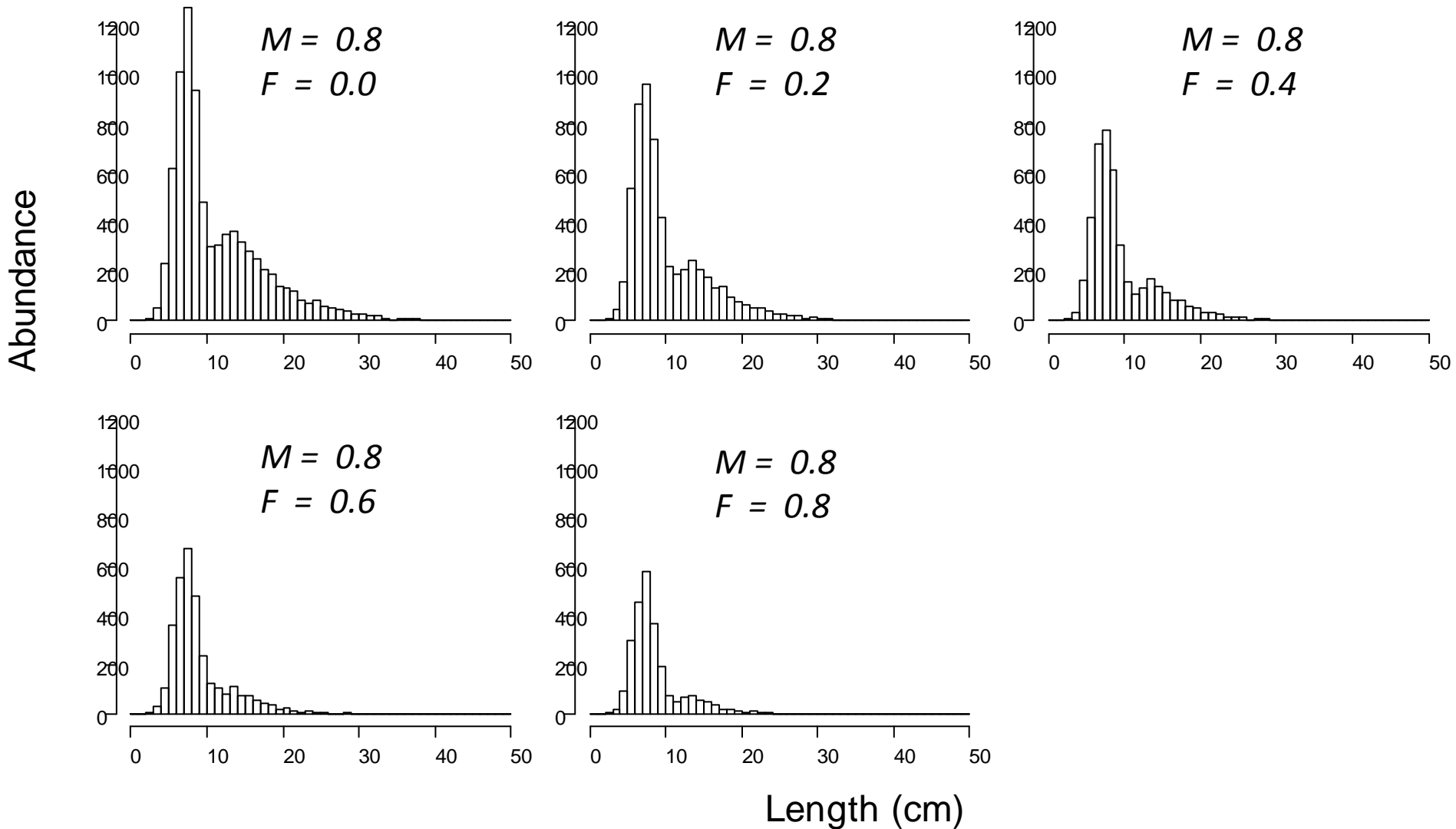
Value: Biomass



Value: Size



Size structure erodes with F



What do we use YPR models for?

- Manage size structure
- Manage biomass

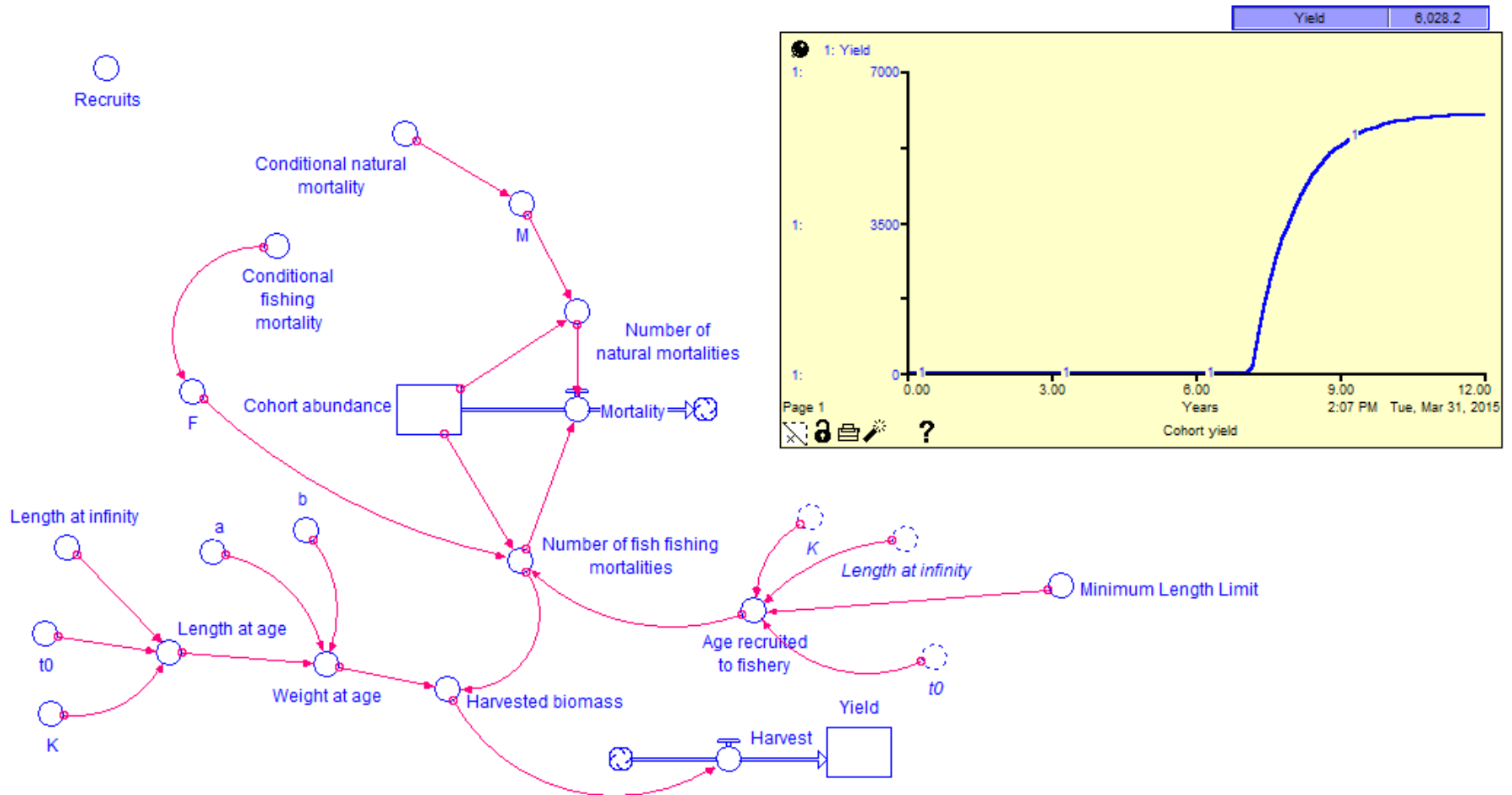
Both contribute to minimizing overfishing.



In a nutshell-Length limits can potentially be used to create a desired size structure in a population

MANAGING SIZE STRUCTURE IN AGE STRUCTURED POPULATIONS

Yield per recruit & size structure



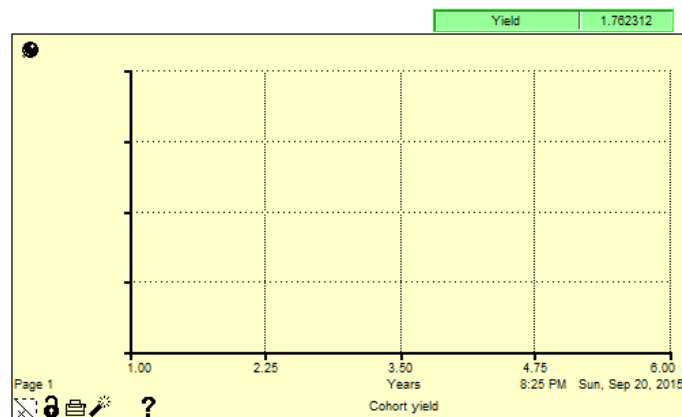
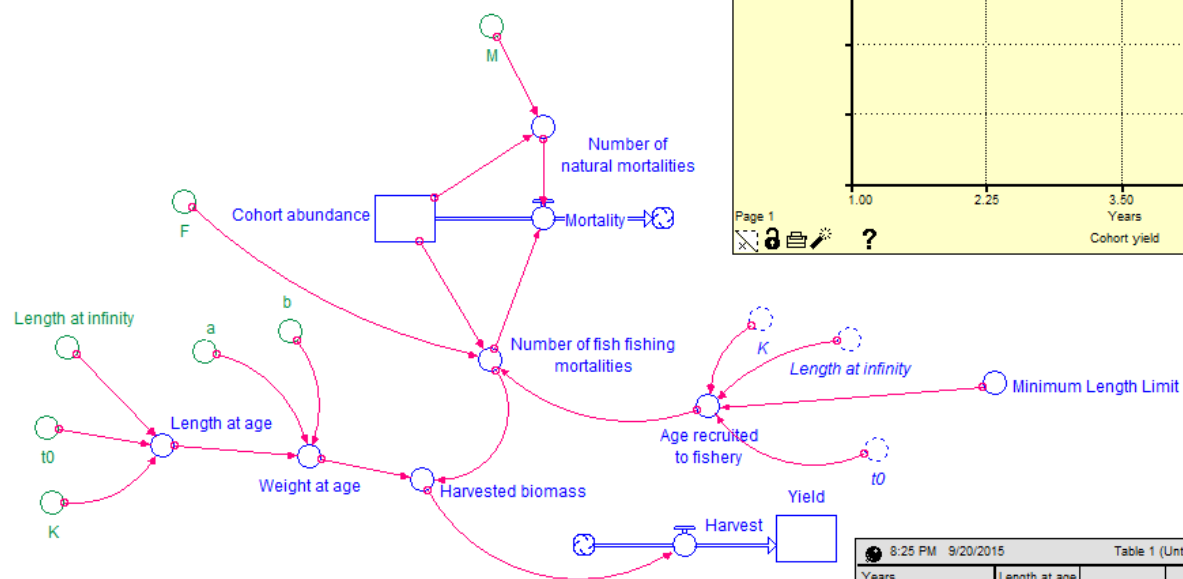


PSD (which specifically indicates Quality/Stock) is a basic measure of size structure

STOCK DENSITY INDICES

Yield and PSD

Largemouth Bass Yield Per Recruit Model

[illegible]

Largemouth Bass PSD Values

Stock	200
Quality	300
Preferred	380
Memorable	510
Trophy	630



Predicted number at length

10 Inch Minimum Length Limit

Initial	Length	F			
		0	0.1	0.3	0.5
0	106.77	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1	194.18	175	175	175	175
2	265.75	31	30	30	29
3	324.35	5	5	4	3
4	372.32	1	1	0	0
5	411.6	0	0	0	0
6	443.75	0	0	0	0
7	470.08	0	0	0	0
8	491.64	0	0	0	0
9	509.29	0	0	0	0
10	523.74	0	0	0	0
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PSD Values-Traditional

F	Stock	Quality	PSD
0.00	37	6	18
0.10	37	6	16
0.30	34	1	12
0.50	32	0	1

10 Inch Minimum Length Limit

F	Stock	Quality	PSD
0.00	37	6	18
0.10	37	6	17
0.30	36	5	15
0.50	5	0	9

12 Inch Minimum Length Limit

PSD Values-Incremental

F	Stock	Quality	PSD
0.00	37	6	82
0.10	37	6	83
0.30	34	1	88
0.50	32	0	99

10 Inch Minimum Length Limit

Interesting result.
Outcomes does not
vary with MLL! 10
or 12" gives you the
same size structure

F	Stock	Quality	PSD
0.00	37	6	82
0.10	37	6	83
0.30	36	5	85
0.50	5	0	99

12 Inch Minimum Length Limit

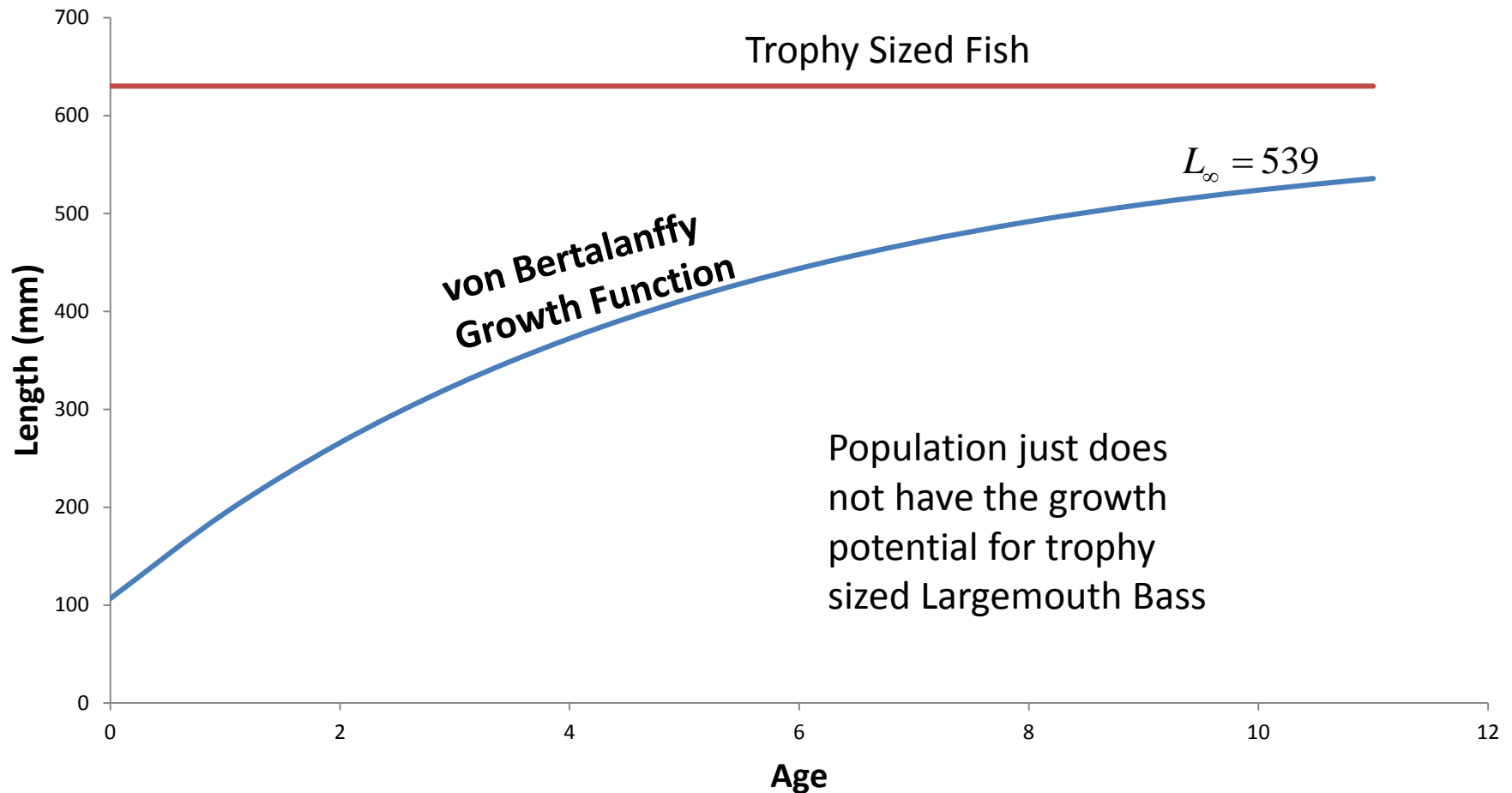
Where are the trophy fish?


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630 mm!

Where are the trophy fish?





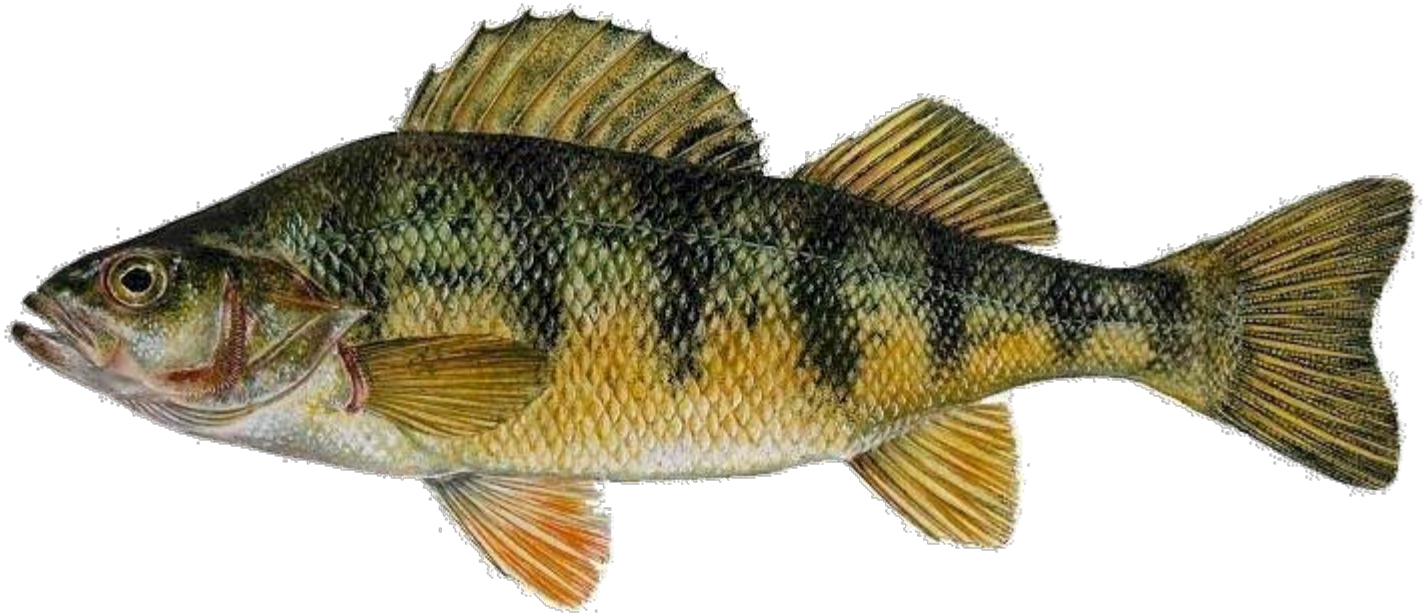
We can potentially manage size structure but if we overfish the population, size structure is the least of our concerns. We also need to preventing or minimizing growth overfishing!

MANAGING YIELD IN AGE STRUCTURED POPULATIONS

What is growth overfishing?

Harvest fish before they have time to grow

Example:



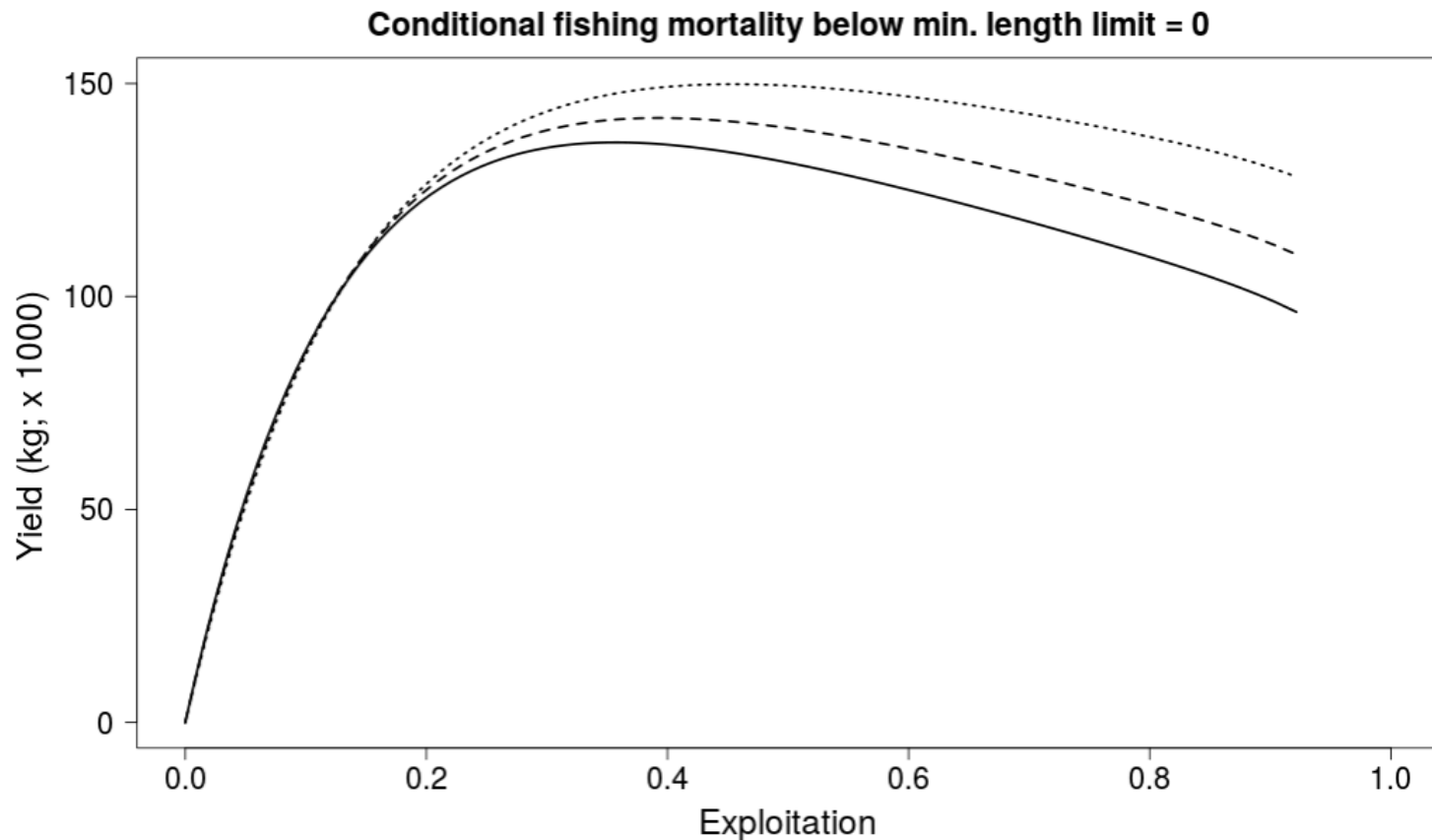
Growth process in fish

The assimilation of food as biomass (i.e., tissue). Primarily refers to somatic tissue but also includes gonad tissue.

- Fish adding **weight** over **time**
 1. Relate time (age) to length
 2. Relate length to weight

Yield per recruit model!

Plot: Yield per recruit



Diagnosing growth overfishing

Growth overfishing

No growth overfishing

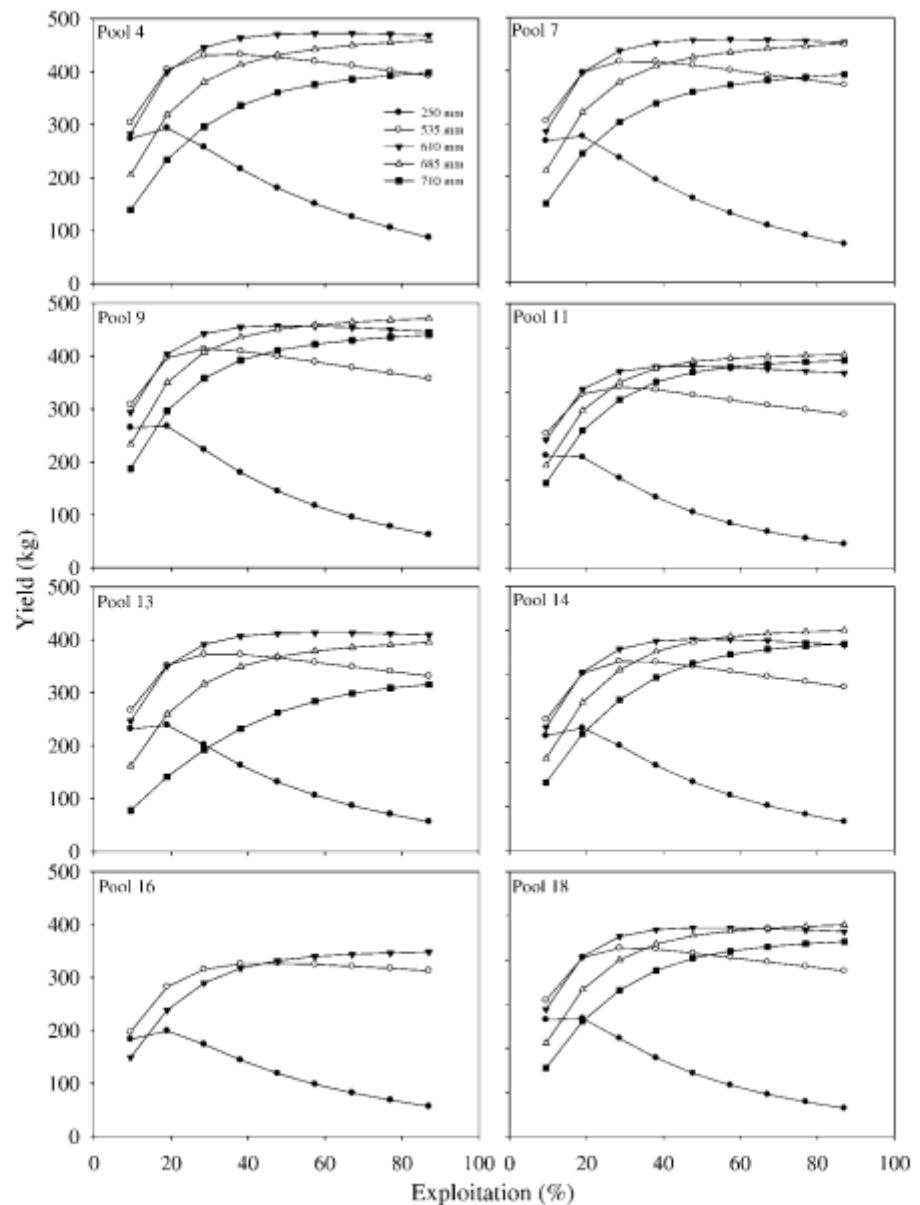


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Diagnosing growth overfishing

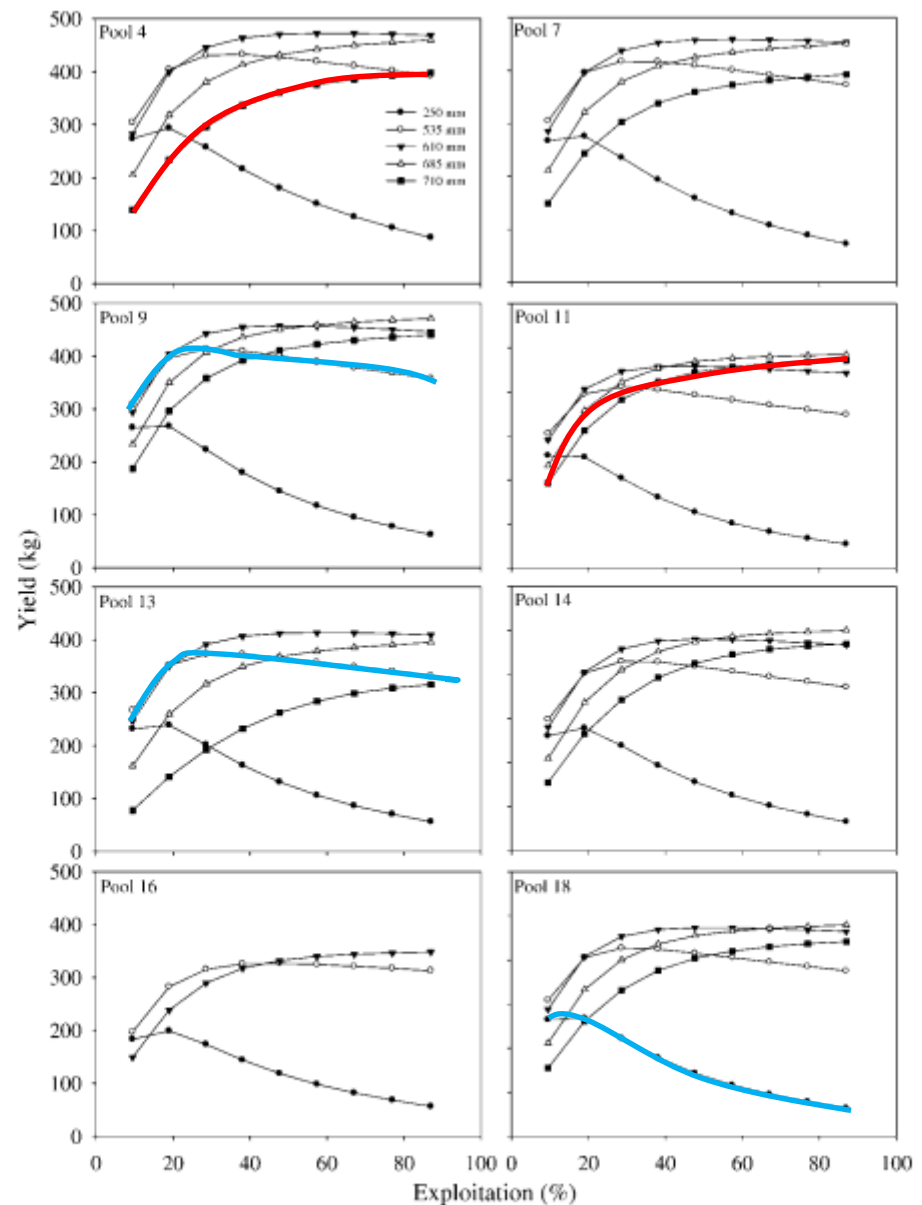
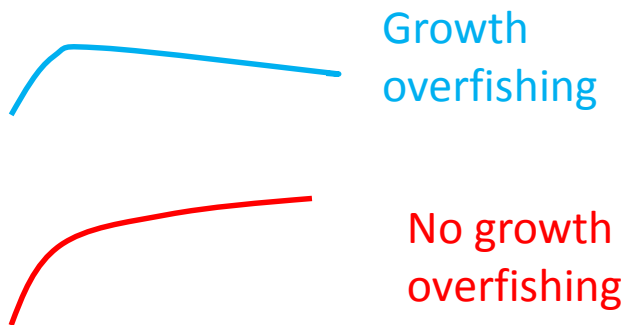


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CASE STUDY-PADDLEFISH ROE HARVEST



Recall that Yield Per Recruit models are used to explore varying length limits on growth overfishing.

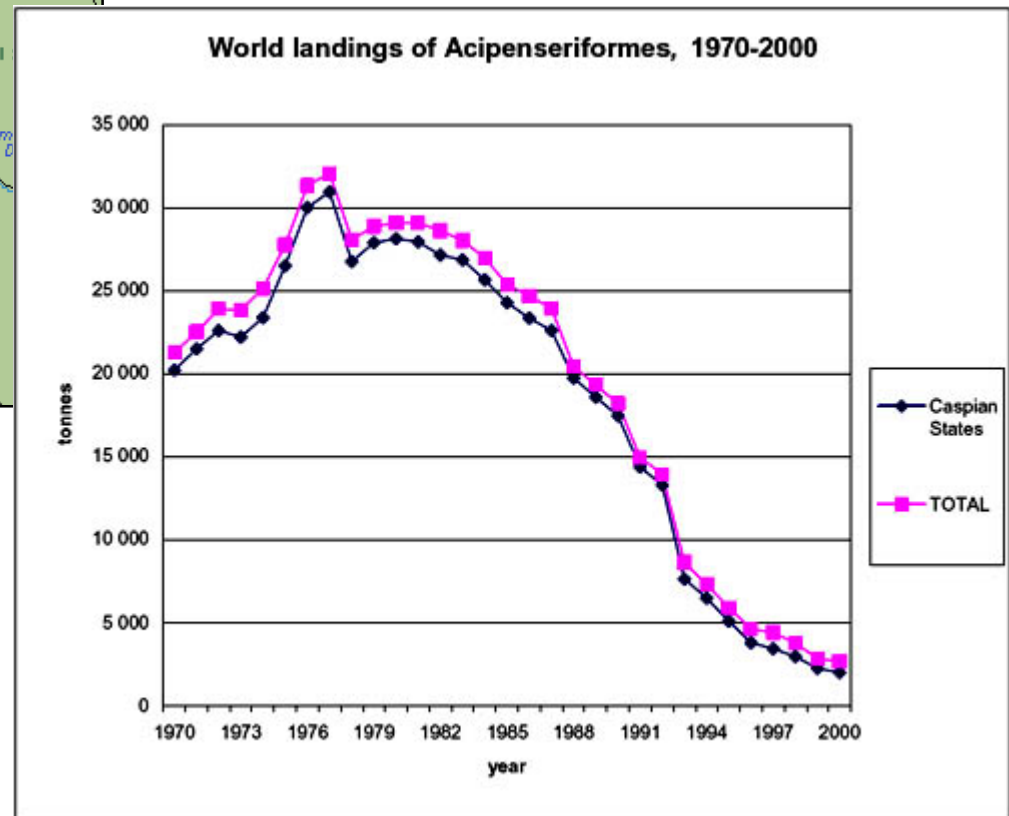


Caviar sources

- Salmon
- Mullet
- Herring
- Carp
- Bowfin
- Acipenseriformes
 - Sturgeon
 - Paddlefish



Eurasian caviar stocks decline




NA Acipensiformes harvest

- High market price
- Increased harvest in North America
- At-risk to overfishing?








220 \$/kg roe; 500-650\$ per fish



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Caviar Ban Threatens Mississippi Paddlefish

by JOHN NIELSEN

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Some fishermen on the Mississippi remember using buckets of paddlefish eggs as pig slop. Then the U.S. government banned caviar imports from the Caspian Sea. NPR environmental correspondent John Nielsen reports on how that ban made paddlefish caviar the preferred alternative, and led to overfishing that now threatens the species.

Yield-per-recruit (YPR) models

- Predicts fishery yield
- Age structured
- Evaluate varying:
 - Fishing mortality
 - Length limits
 - Natural mortality

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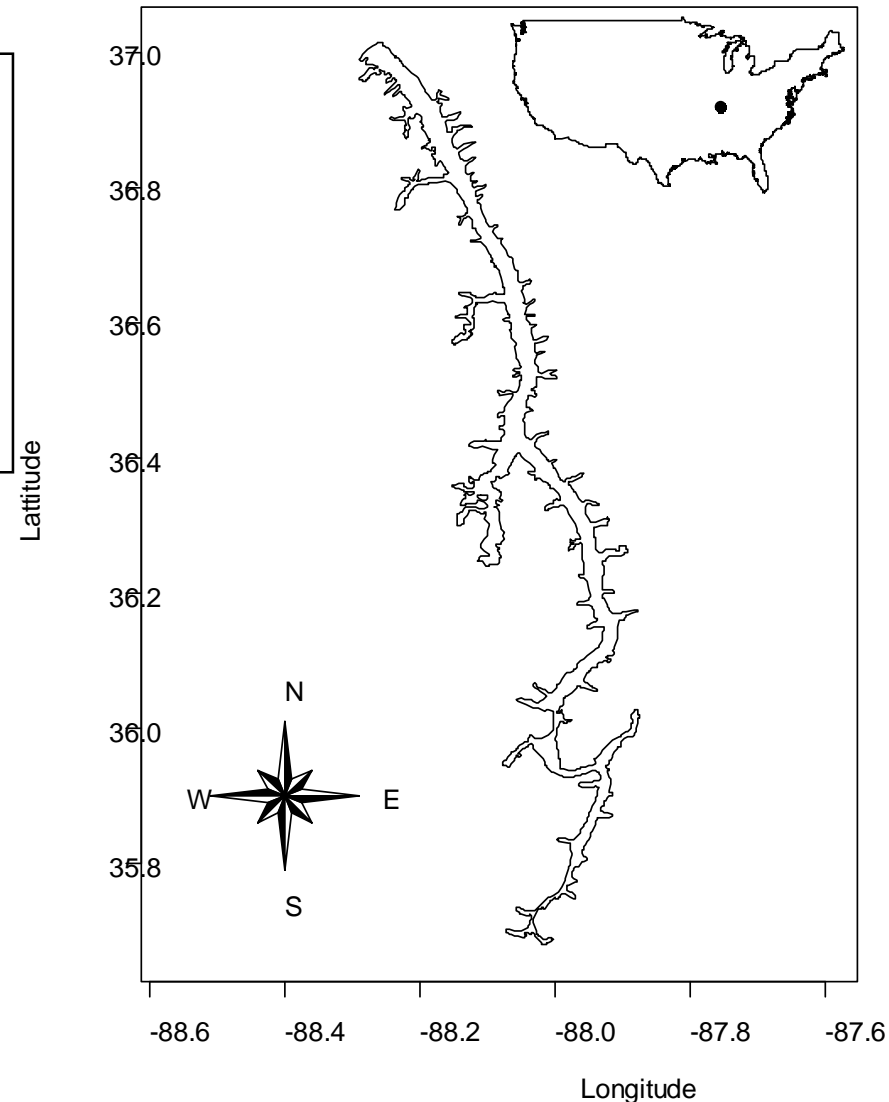
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*Can roe yield be increased by
delaying recruitment to the
fishery?*



Potential for overfishing?

- Growth overfishing
 - 864-mm
 - Exploitation > 30%
 - Weak at 965
- Suggests increasing length limit

But, commercial fishery targets ovarian tissue not biomass!

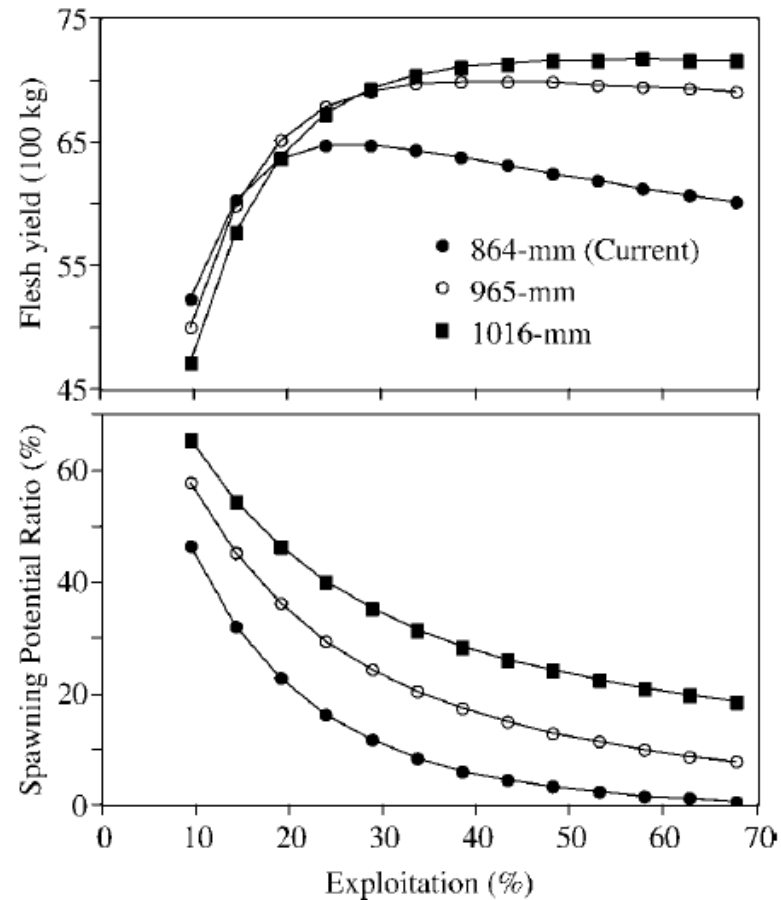
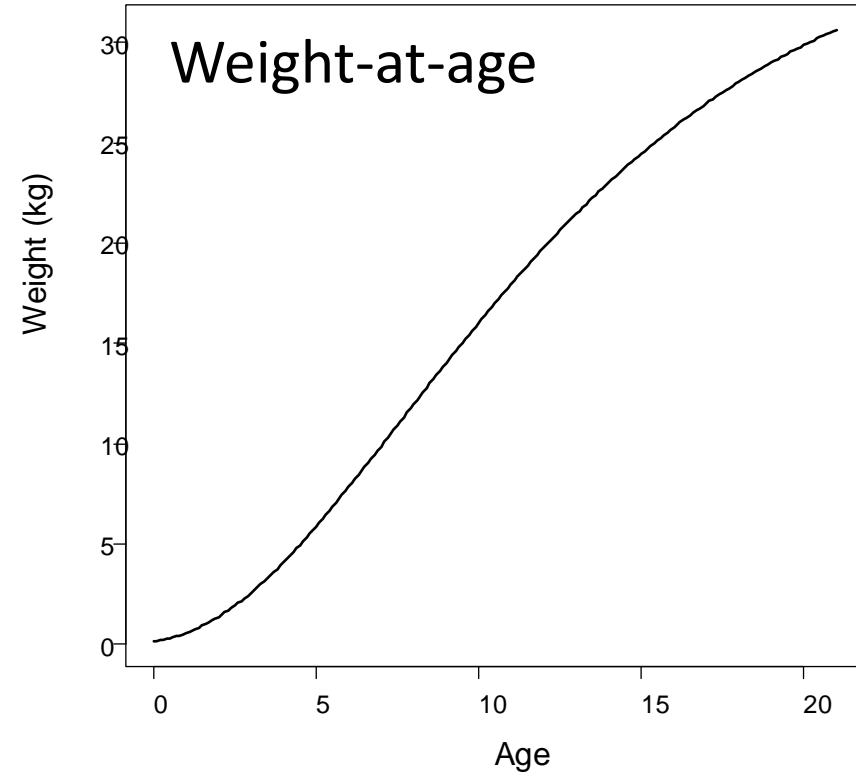
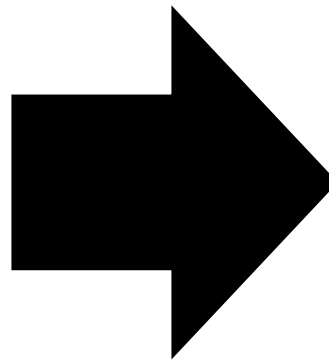
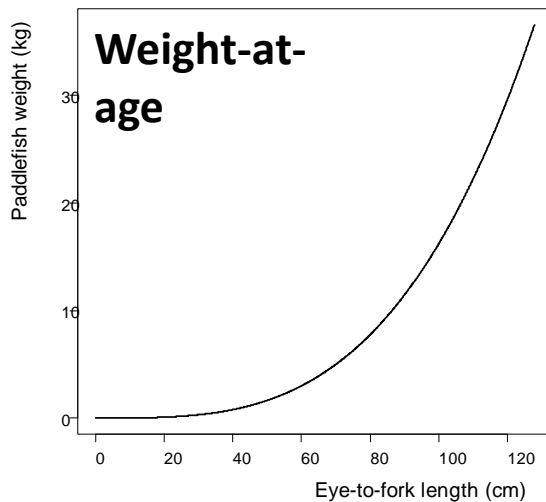
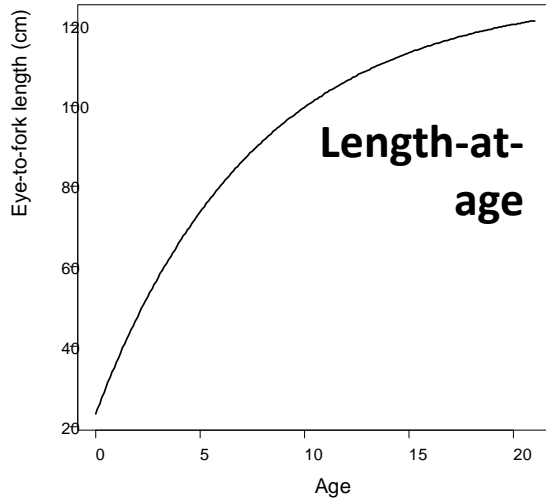


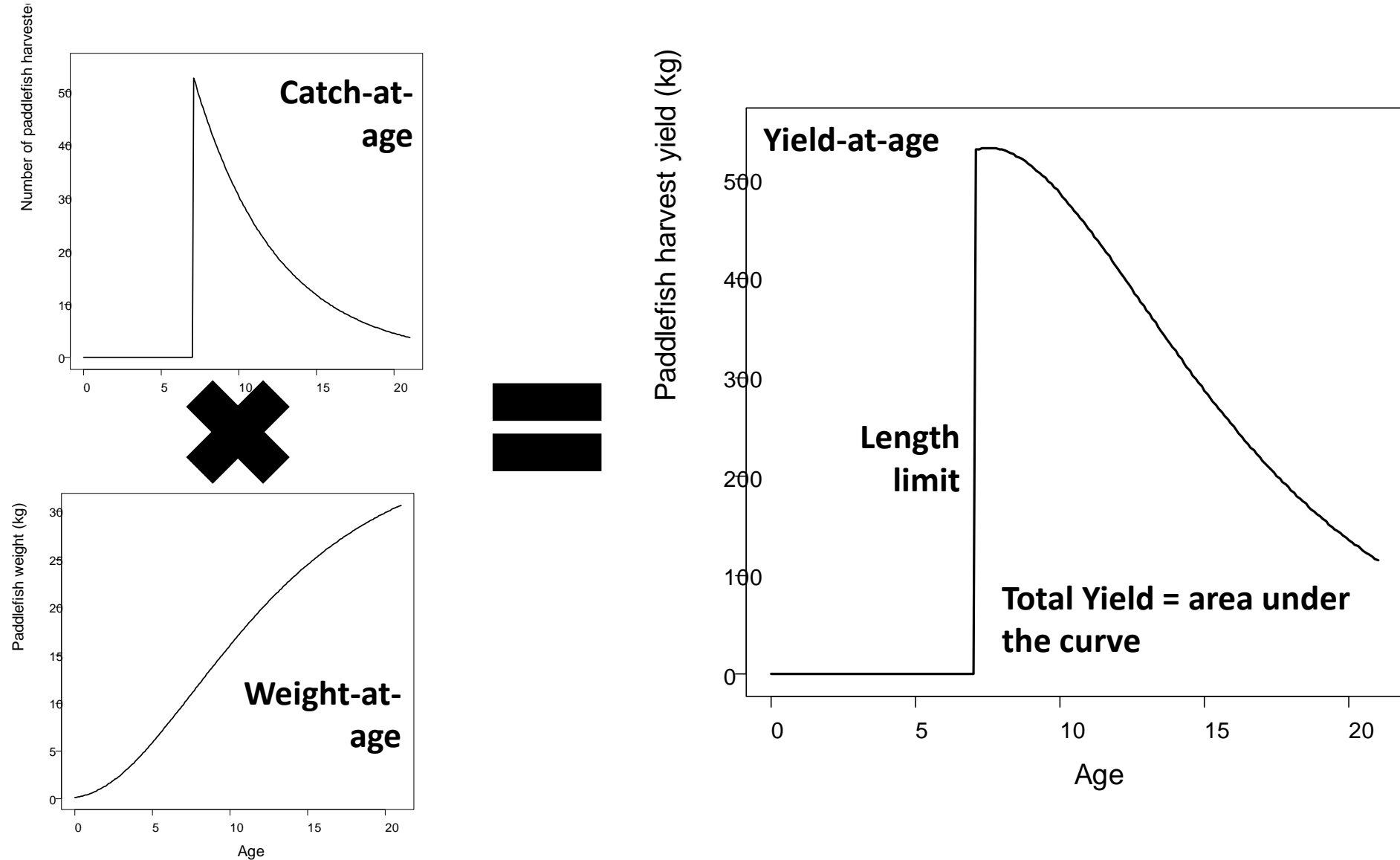
FIGURE 6.—Predicted paddlefish flesh yield (per 1,000 recruits; top) and spawning potential ratio (bottom) versus exploitation for three different minimum length limits in Kentucky Lake in 2003–2004.

Weight-at-age

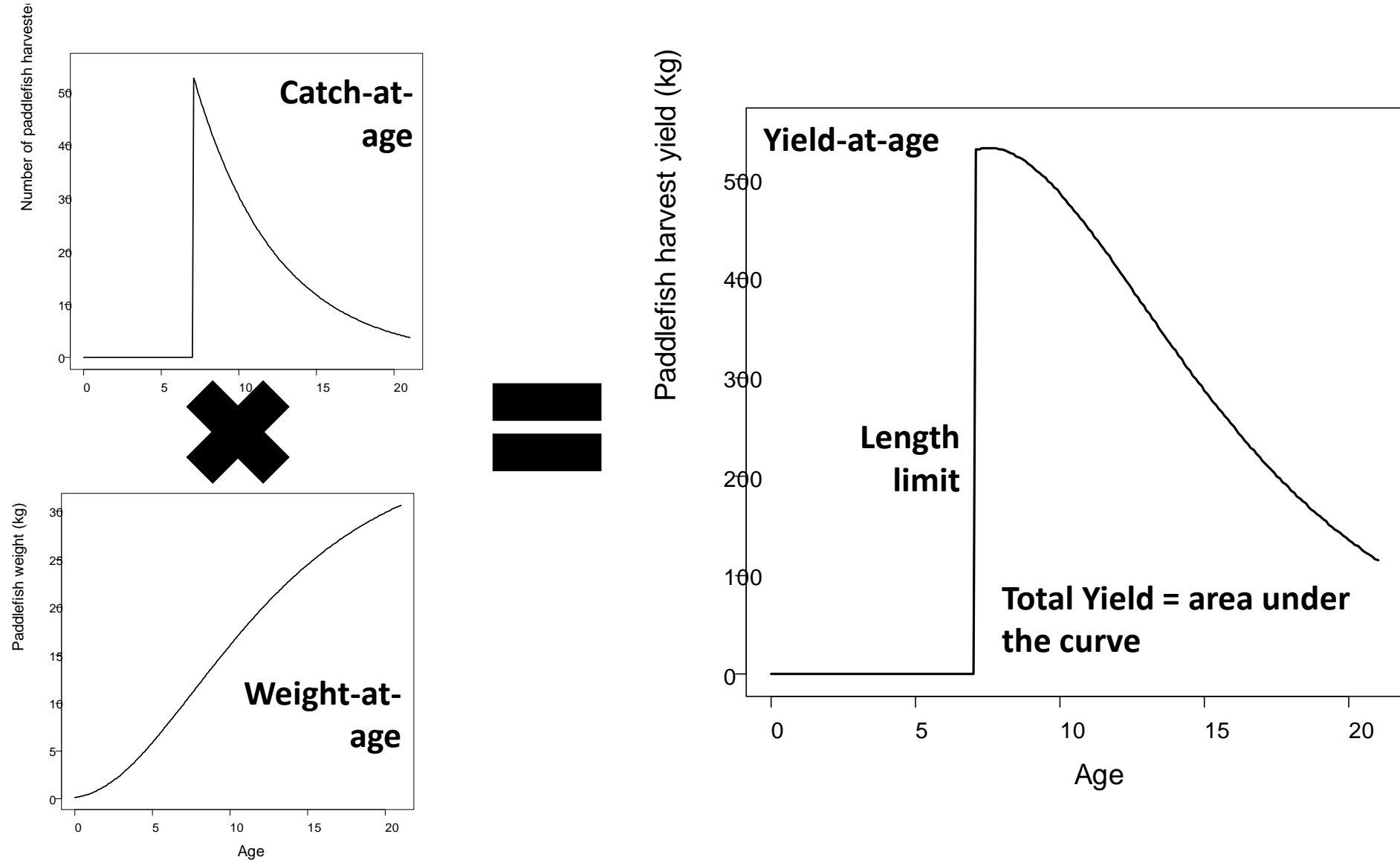


$$W_{fish}(age) = 10^{-5.711} \cdot (1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (age + 1.527)}))^{3.307}$$

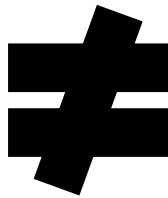
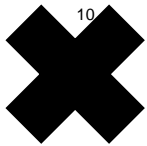
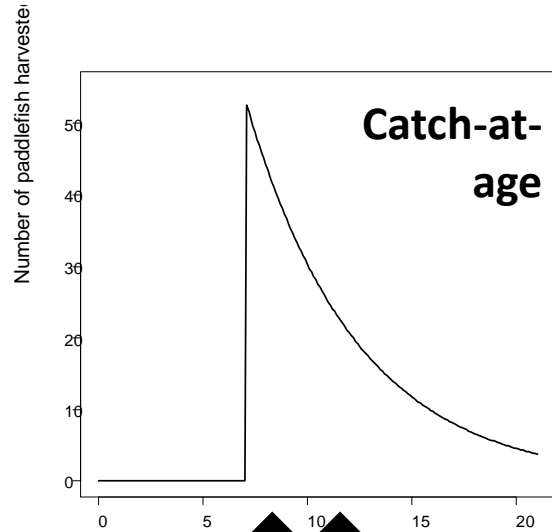
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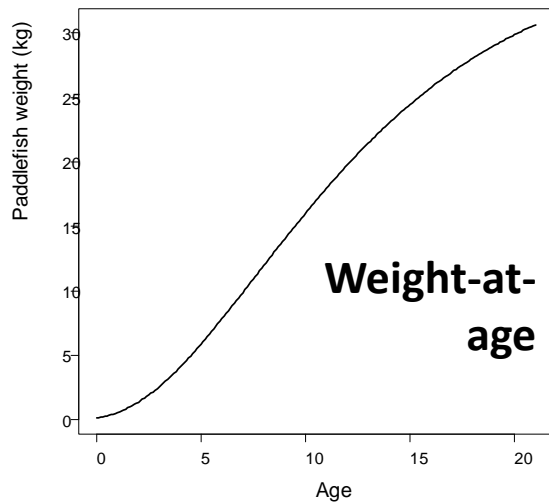
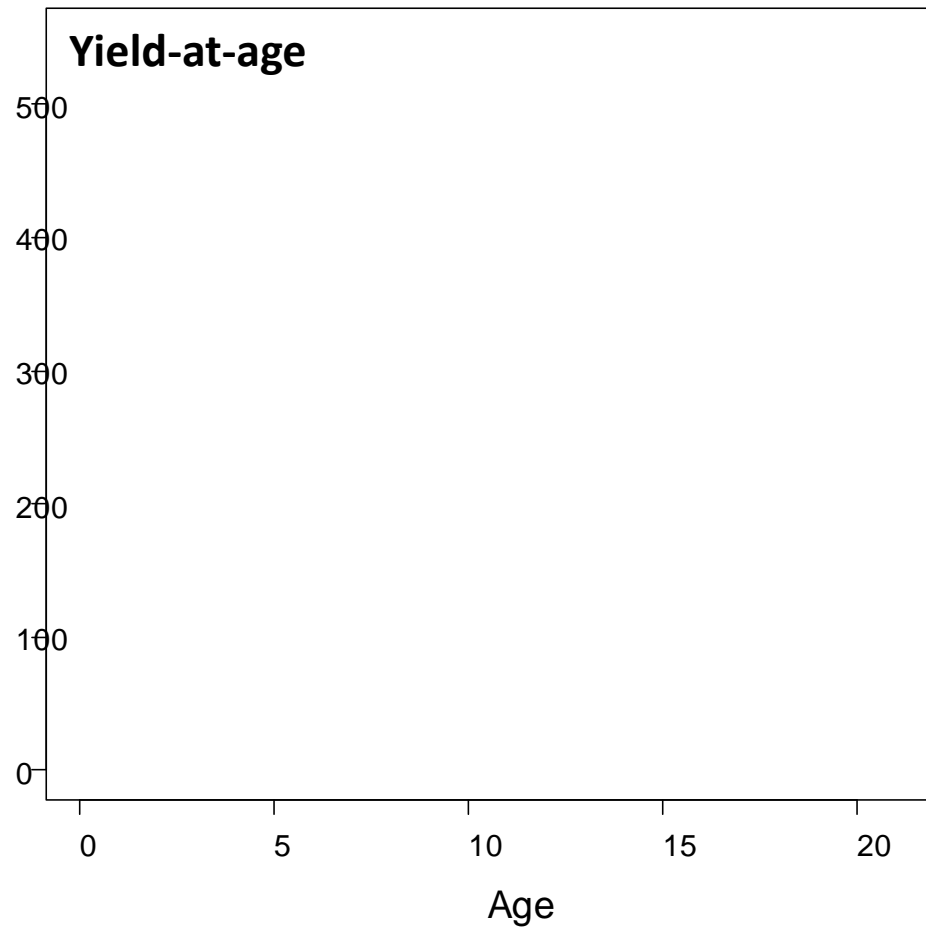
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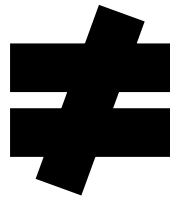
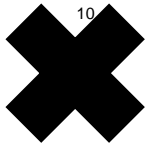
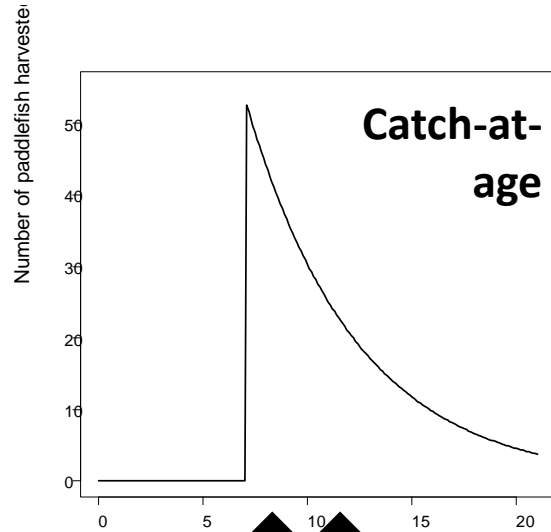
Roe yield?



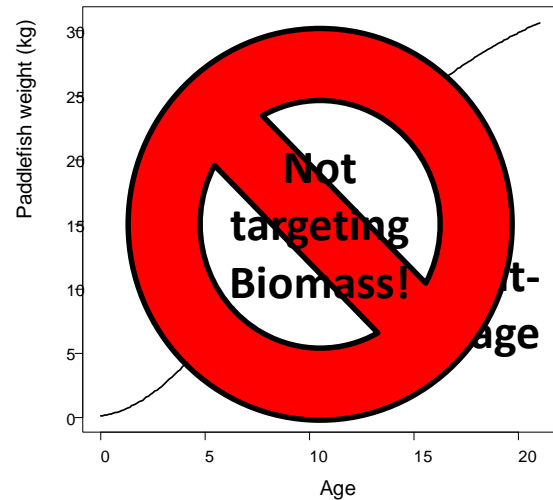
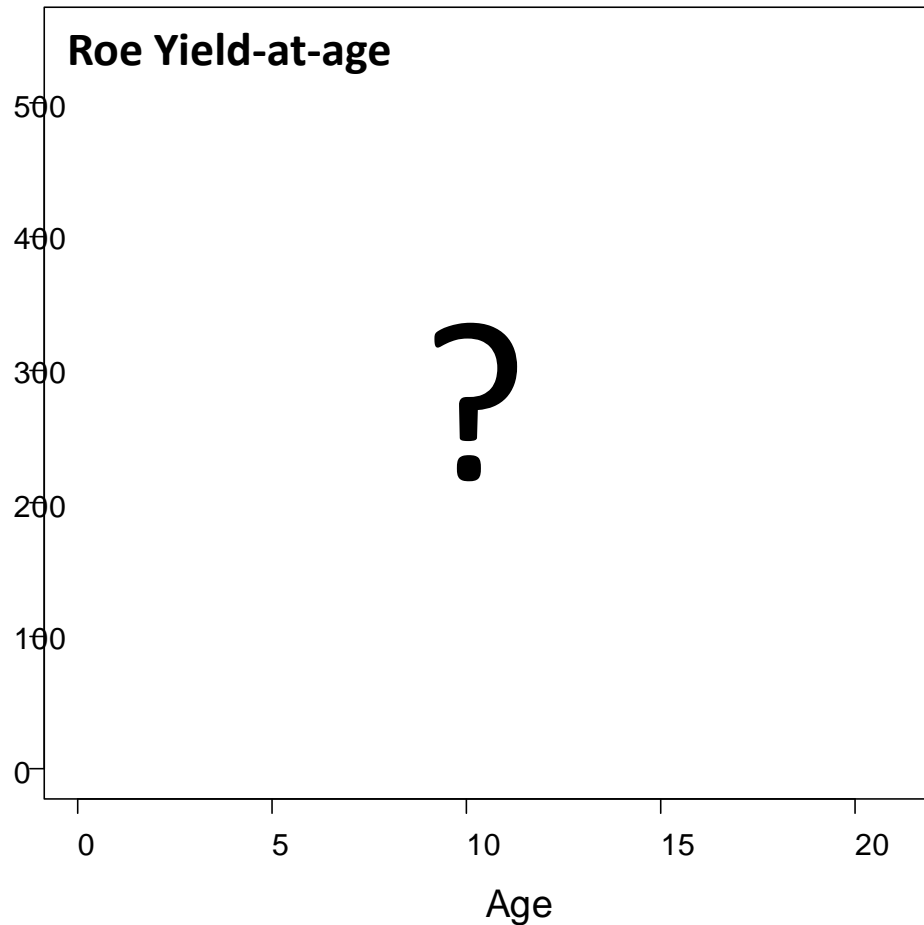
Paddlefish harvest yield (kg)



Putting it all together



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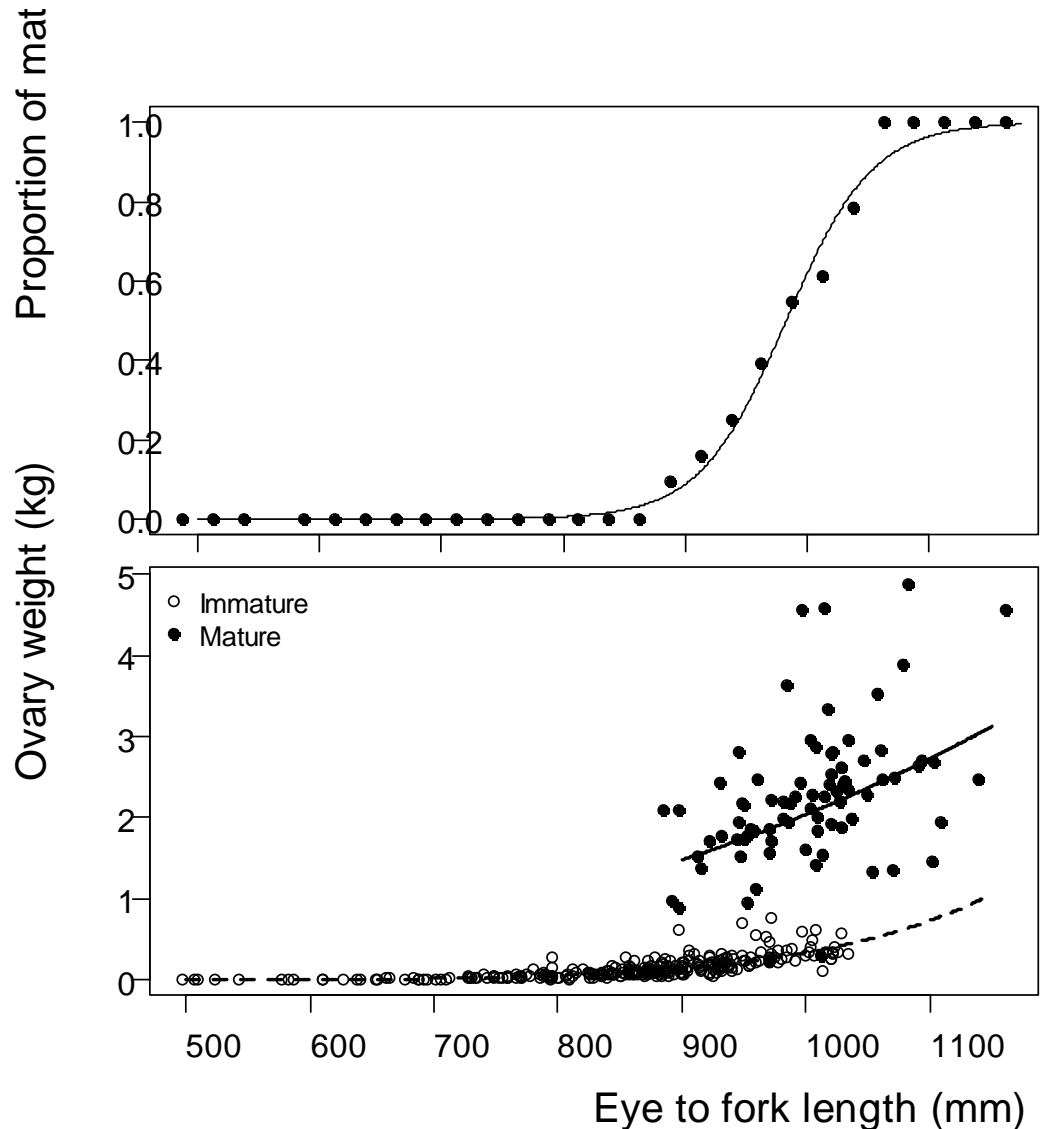


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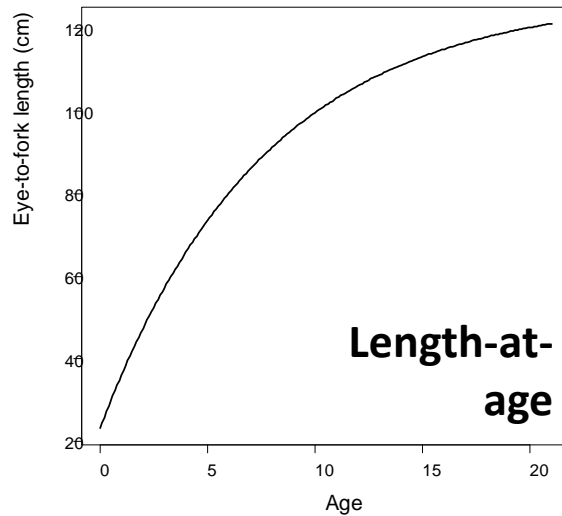
Ovary weight-at-EFL

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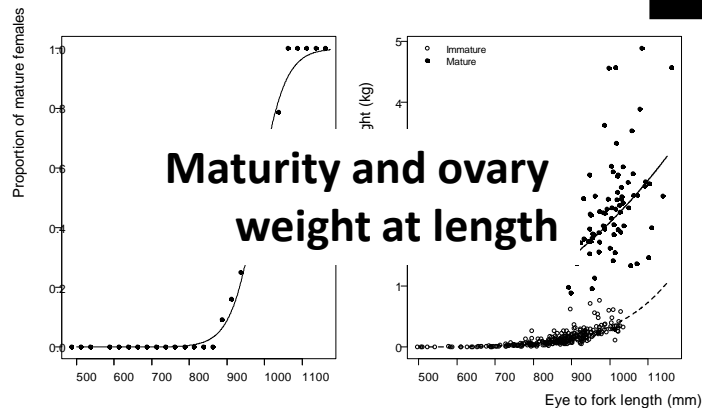
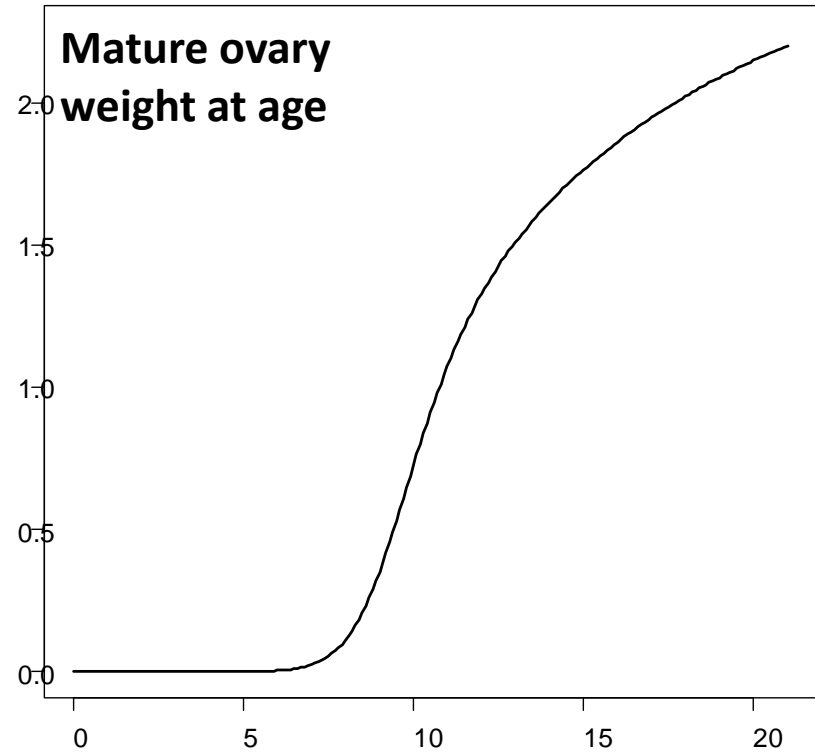
- Maturity
- Ovary weight



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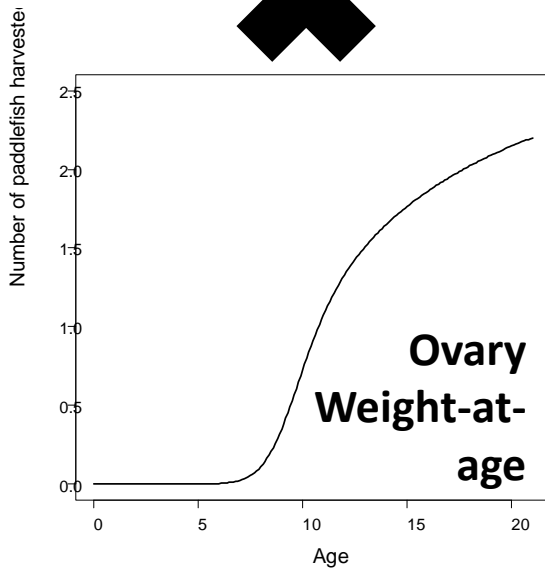
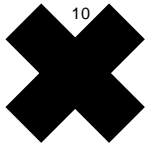
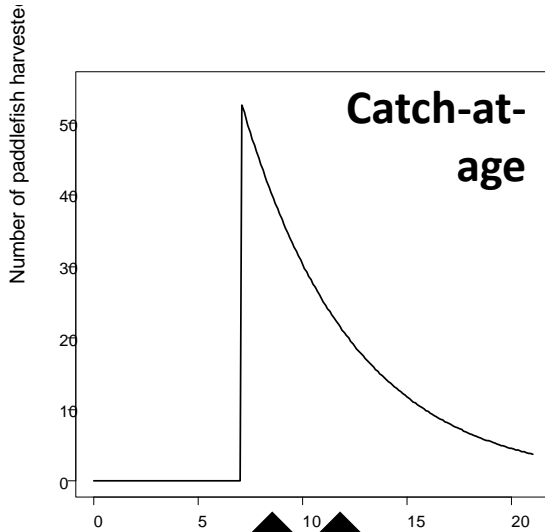


Mature ovary weight (kg)



$$W_{ovary}(t) = 0.6 \cdot \left(\frac{e^{-27.78+0.028 \cdot (1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (t+1.527)})}}}{e^{-27.78+0.028 \cdot (1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (t+1.527)})}} + 1} \right) \cdot (0.0000014 \cdot (1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (t+1.527)})^{3.0529}))$$

Finally...roe yield!



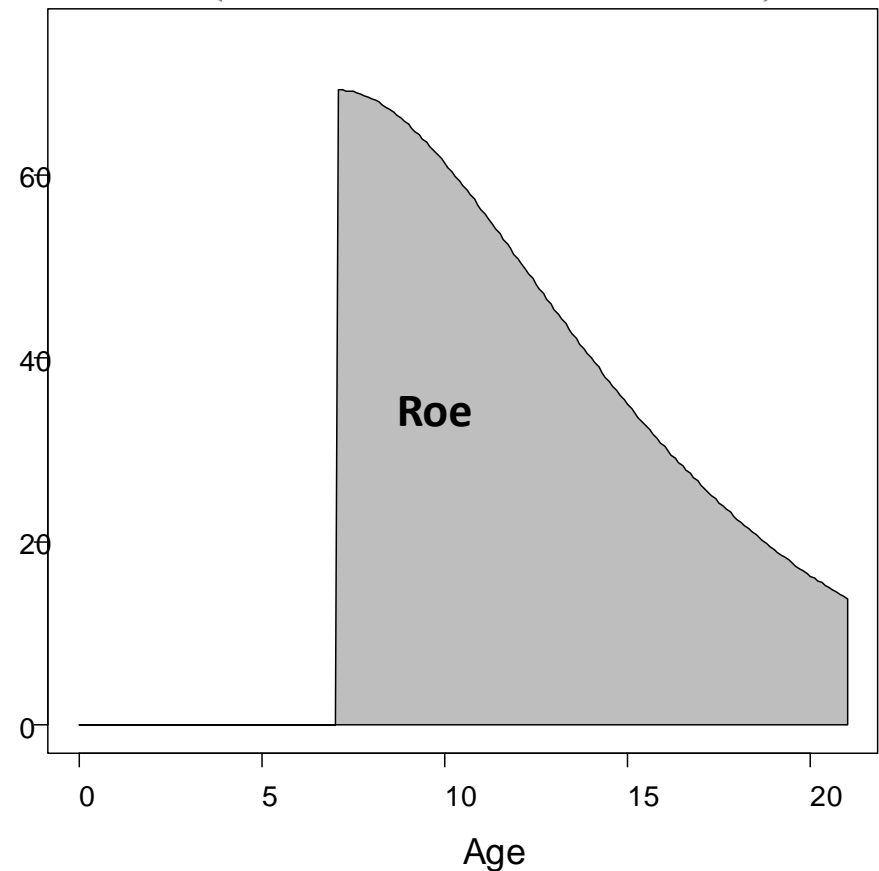
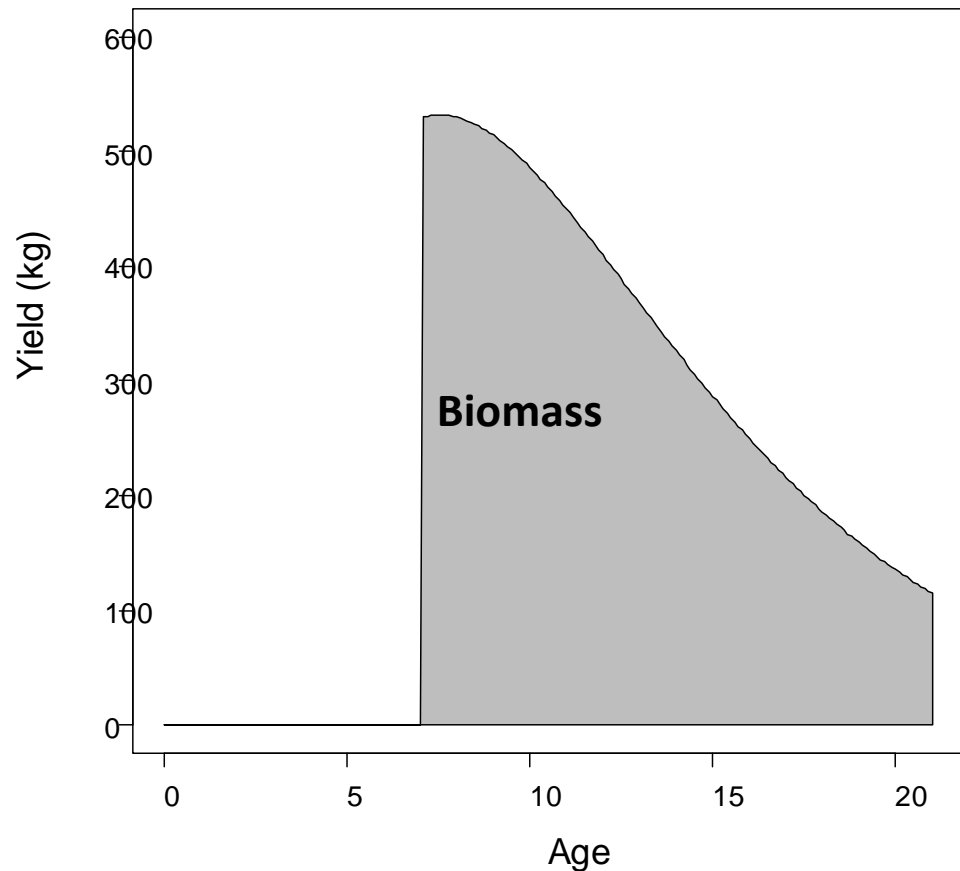
Paddlefish roe yield (kg)



Finally...yield!

$$Y_{fish} = \int_{t_r}^{t_\lambda} F \cdot R \cdot e^{-(M \cdot t_r)} \cdot e^{-(M+F) \cdot (t-t_r)} \cdot 10^{-5.71} \cdot \left(1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (t+1.527)})\right)^{3.307} \cdot dt$$

$$Y_{roe} = \int_{t_r}^{t_\lambda} F \cdot R \cdot e^{-(M \cdot t_r)} \cdot e^{-(M+F) \cdot (t-t_r)} \cdot 0.6 \cdot \left(\frac{e^{-27.78+0.028 \cdot (1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (t+1.527)})}}{e^{-27.78+0.028 \cdot (1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (t+1.527)})}} + 1} \right) \cdot (0.0000014 \cdot (1,279 \cdot (1 - e^{-0.131 \cdot (t+1.527)})^{3.0529})) \cdot dt$$



Predicting total yield

Analytical?

Approximate?

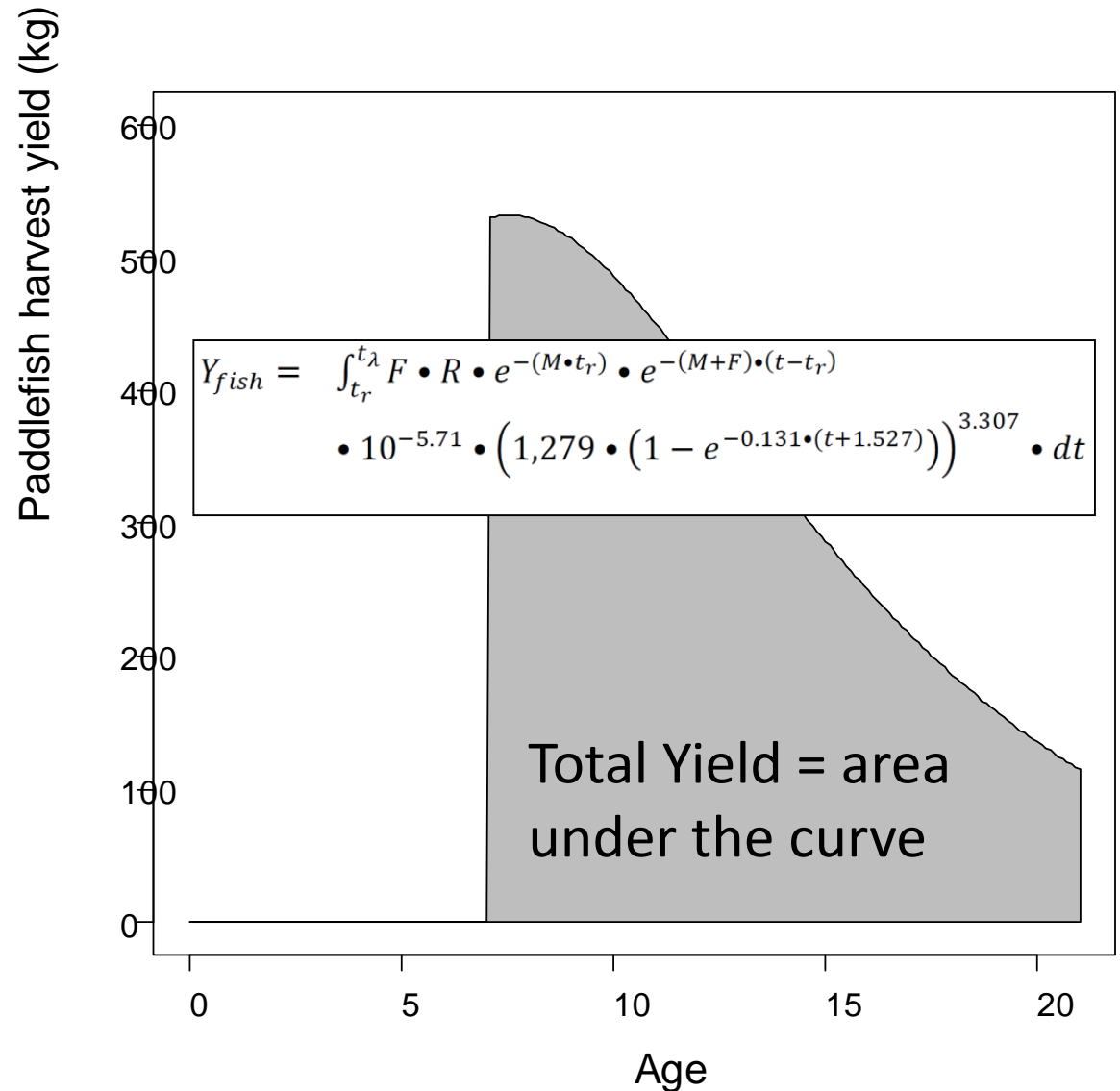
Jones (1957)

— Incomplete

β function

— FAST

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Numerical approaches

Box the region

- Age recruited to fishery
- Maximum age
- Known area

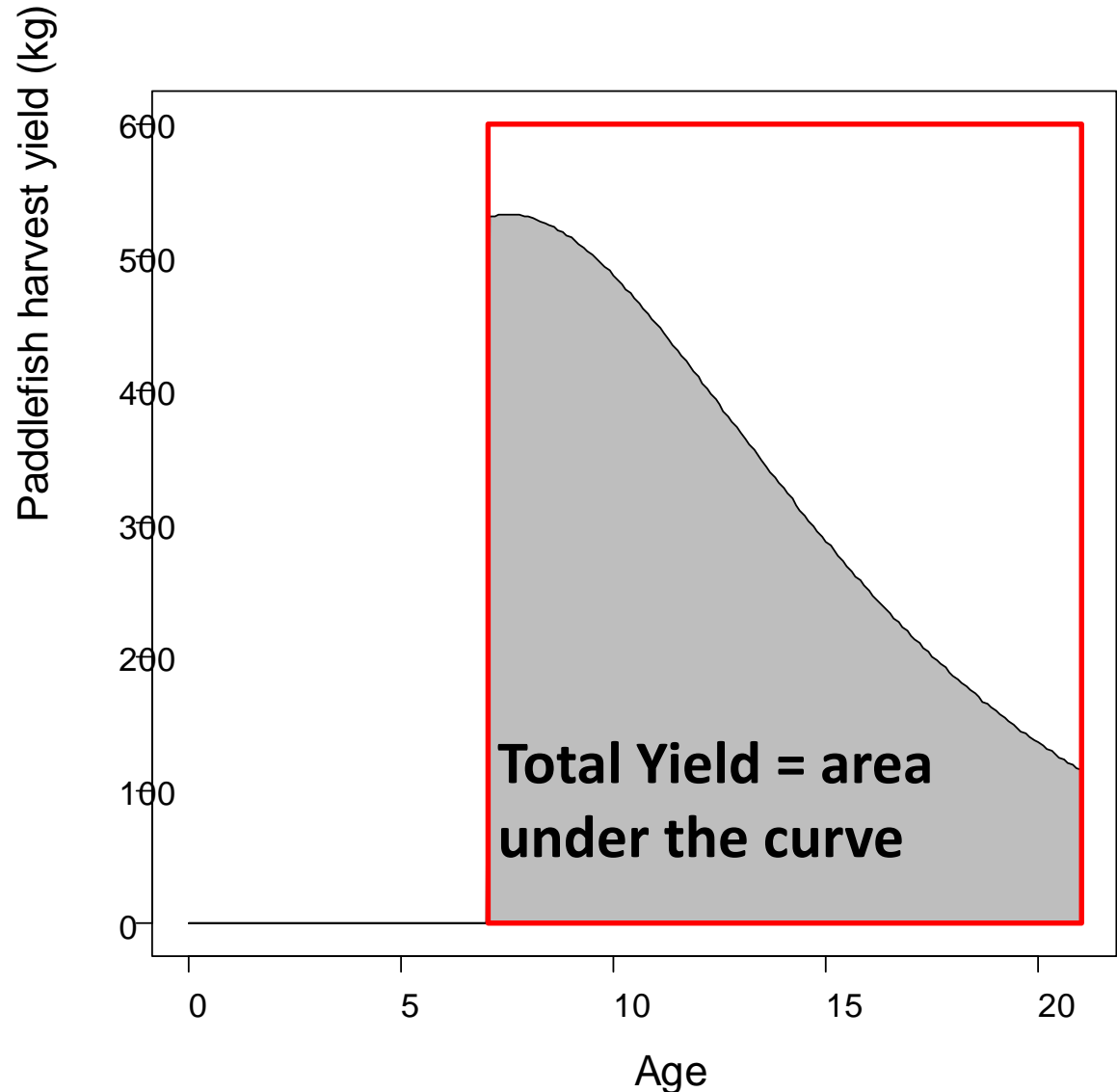
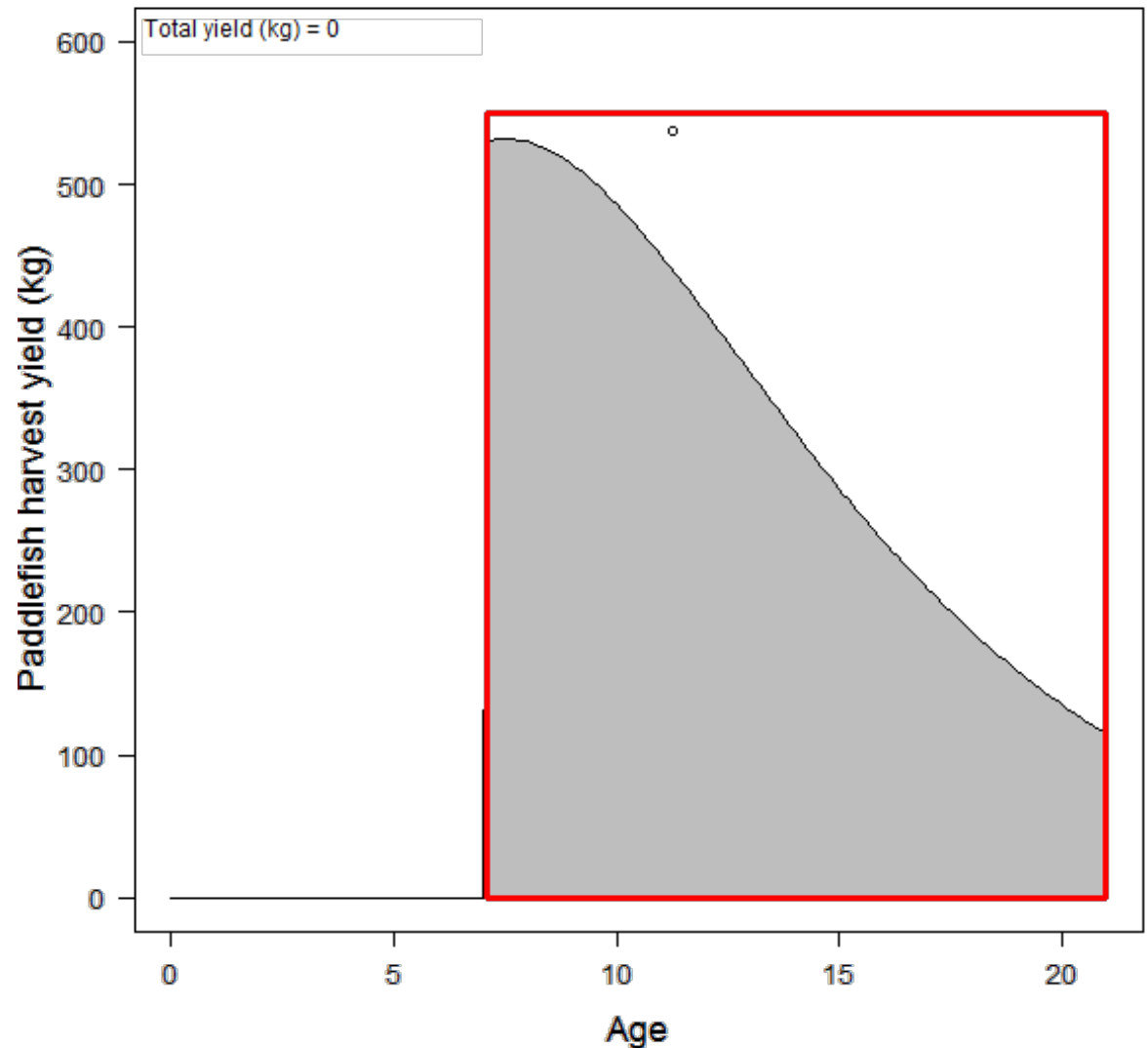


Illustration of numerical integration

Monte Carlo
numerical
integration

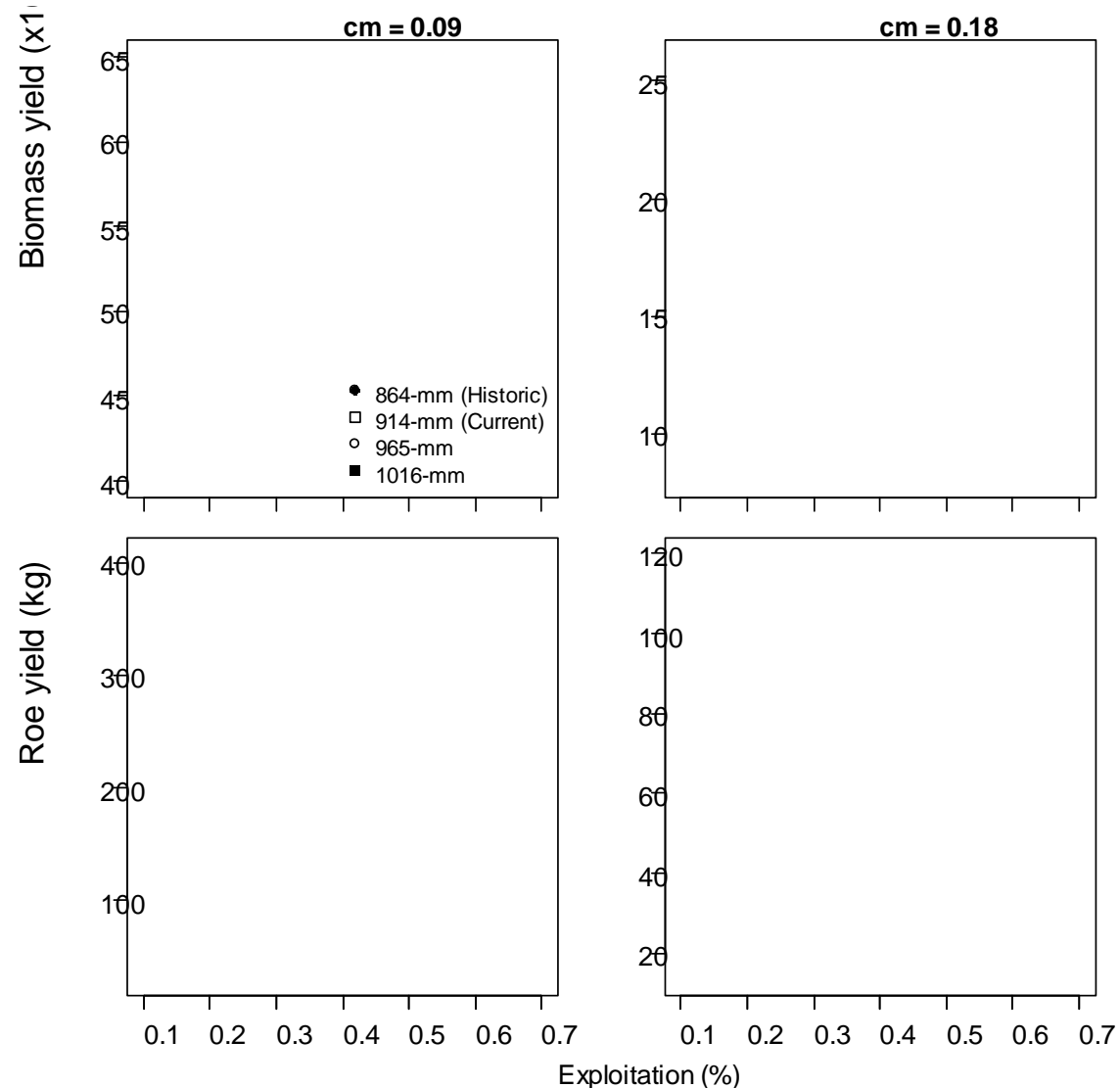
- Do for many random draws within box
- Very Flexible



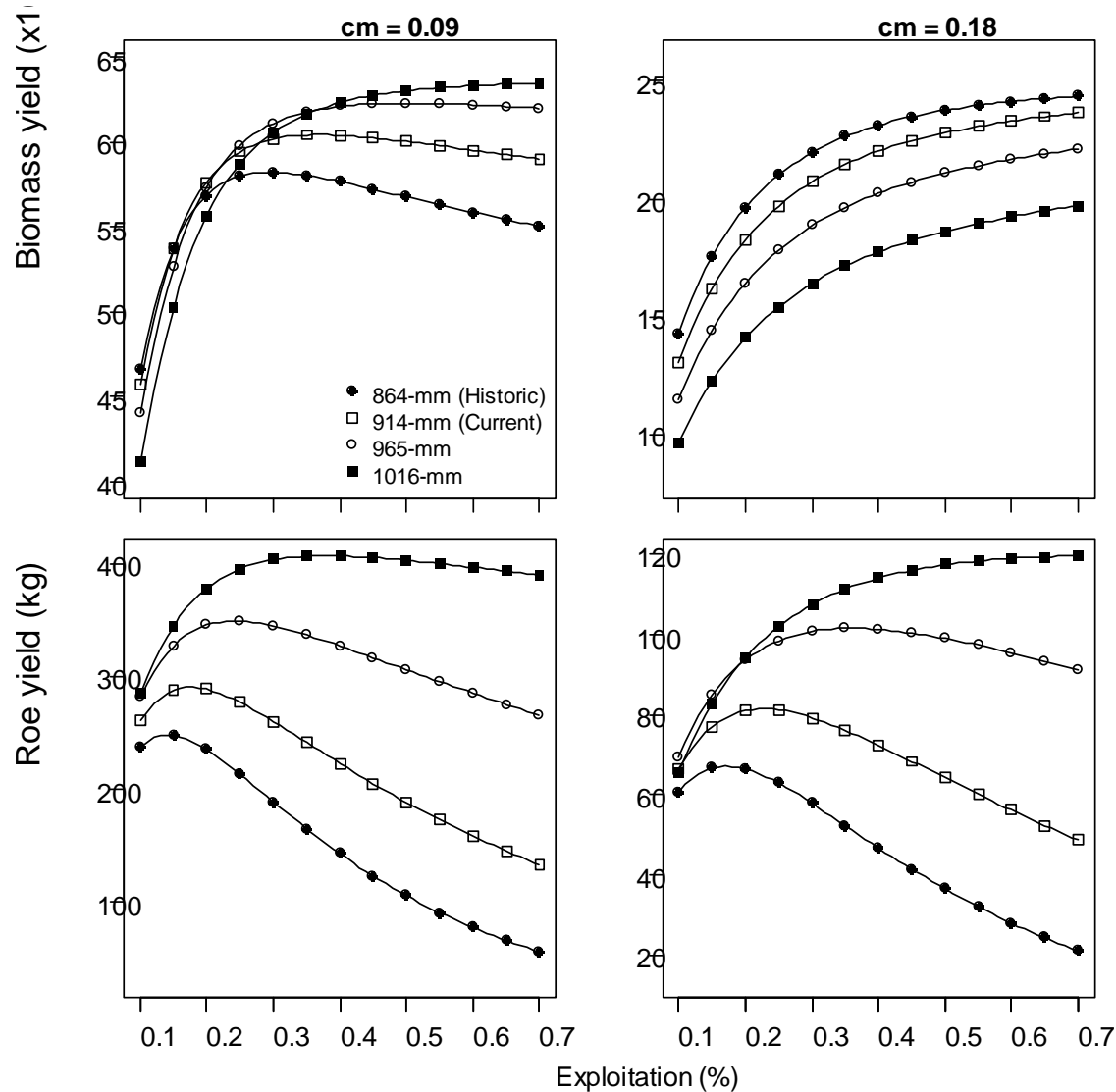
Predicted biomass and roe yields

Varying:

- Exploitation
- Natural Mortality
- Length limit



Predicted biomass and roe yields



Key points

- Growth overfishing (roe)
 - Occurs at lower exploitation rates
 - More severe in terms of roe
 - Suggests higher minimum length limits
- Less sensitive to uncertainty to natural mortality

Multiple tissue harvest?



Multiple tissue harvest

Economic yield

- Roe (200 \$/ounce)
- Flesh (1 \$/pound)
- Domestic culture?

