

Evaluation of Proposed Action and Level 1 Action Relative to No Action Alternative Using The Winter-run Life Cycle Model

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Overall project goal

The main goal is to build a useful model

G.E.P. Box



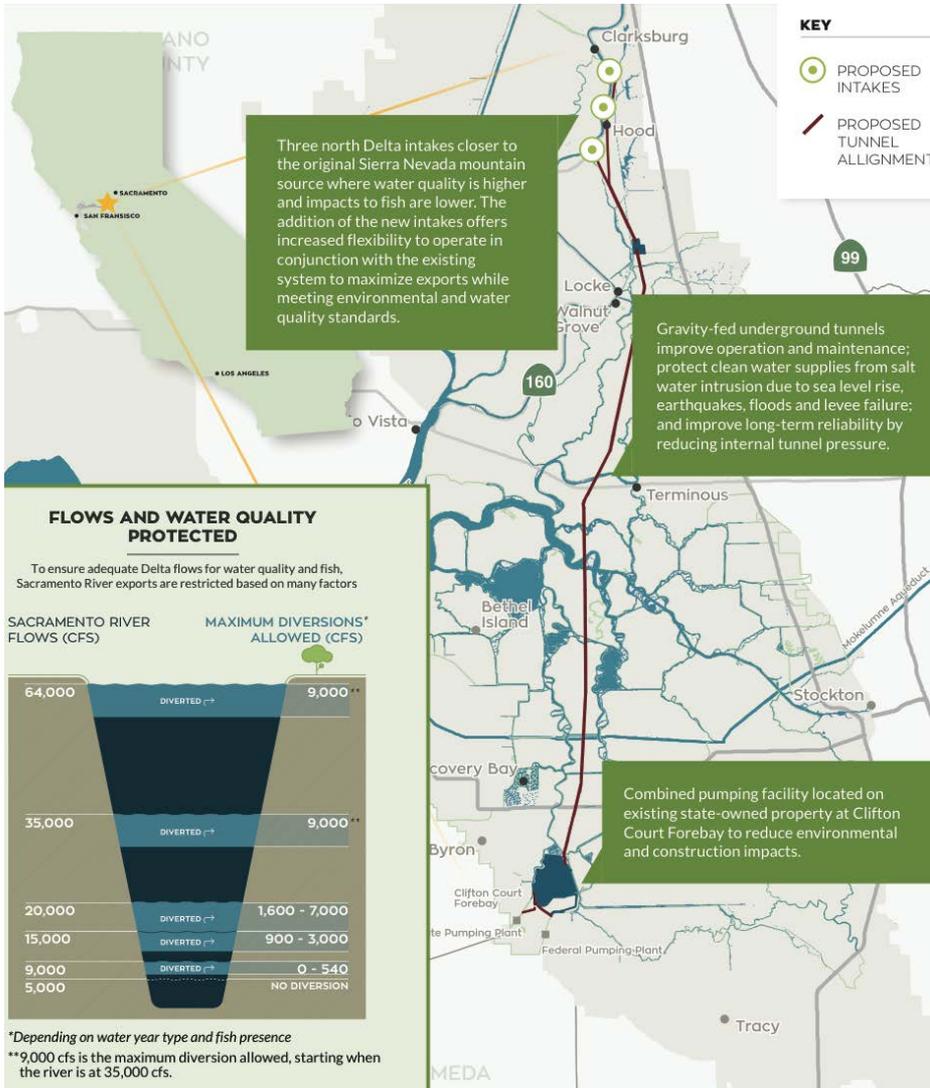
What will make it useful for decision making?

1. Model is sensitive to management needs
 - Temporal and spatial resolution are appropriate
 - Capable of evaluating alternative management actions
2. Model accounts for uncertainty to reflect our understanding of how the system works
3. Model can provide information to make decisions in spite of the existing uncertainty

Useful Life Cycle Model Outputs

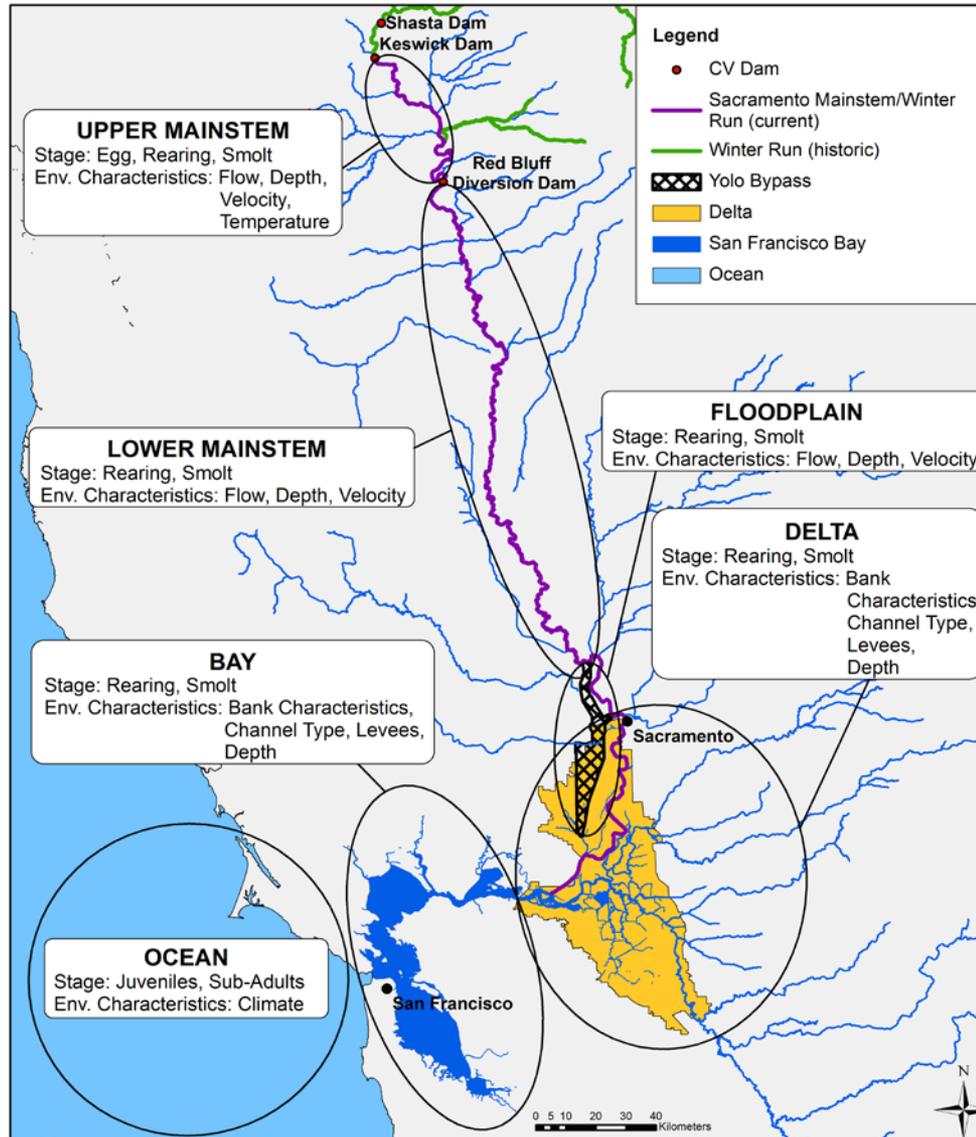
1. Specific - can provide specific relationships between population vital rates (e.g., survival or migration) and physical drivers of interest (e.g., flow or temperature)
2. Synoptic - can integrate biological consequences of trade-offs over multiple life-stages or cohorts
 1. Seasonally – e.g., effects of management integrated over different outmigration patterns
 2. Annually – e.g., effects integrated over different water year types

Water Fix

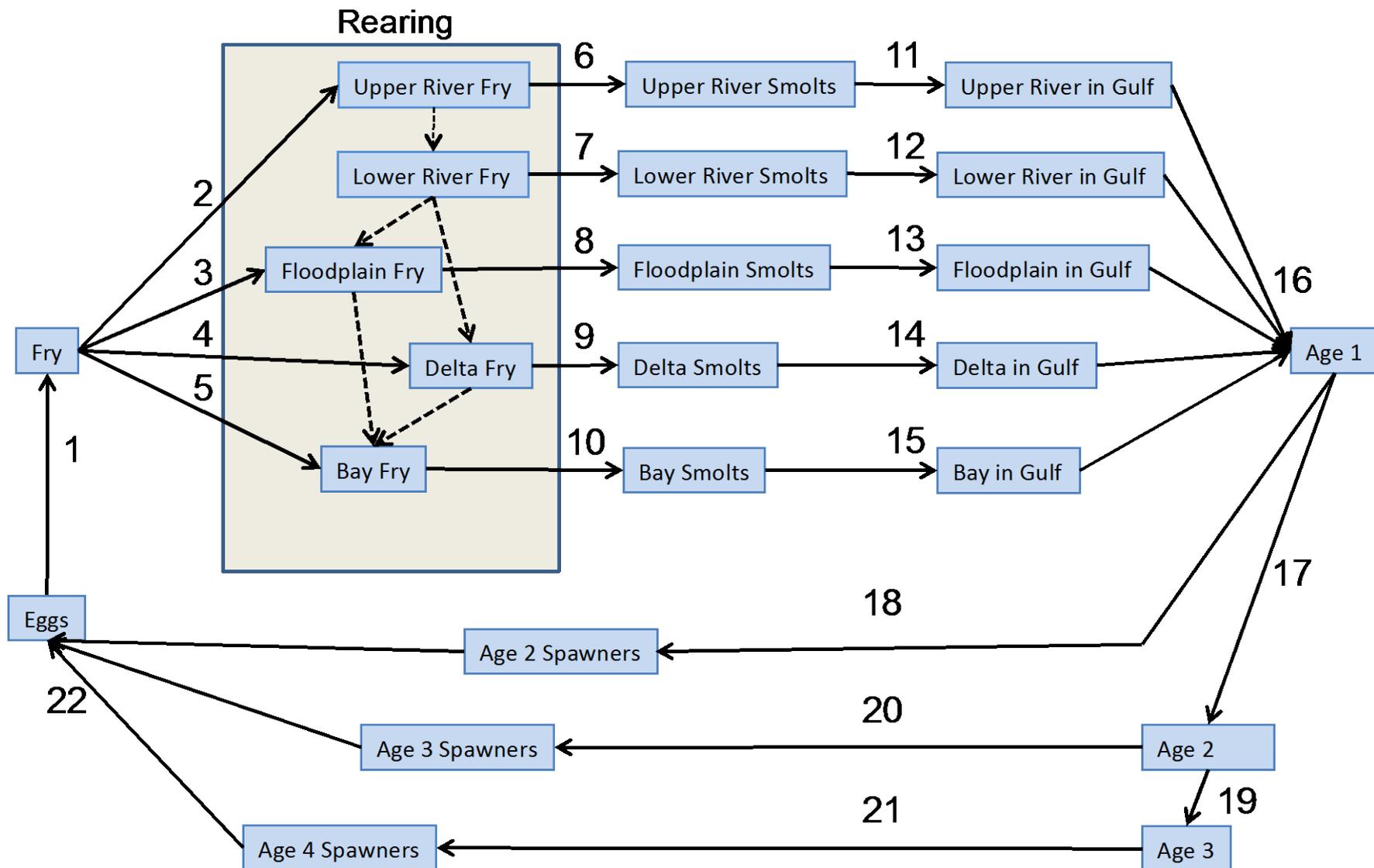


- North Delta Diversions (NDD) to provide water to south Delta pumps
- Exports via NDD and/or south Delta depending on water year type

Spatial Structure

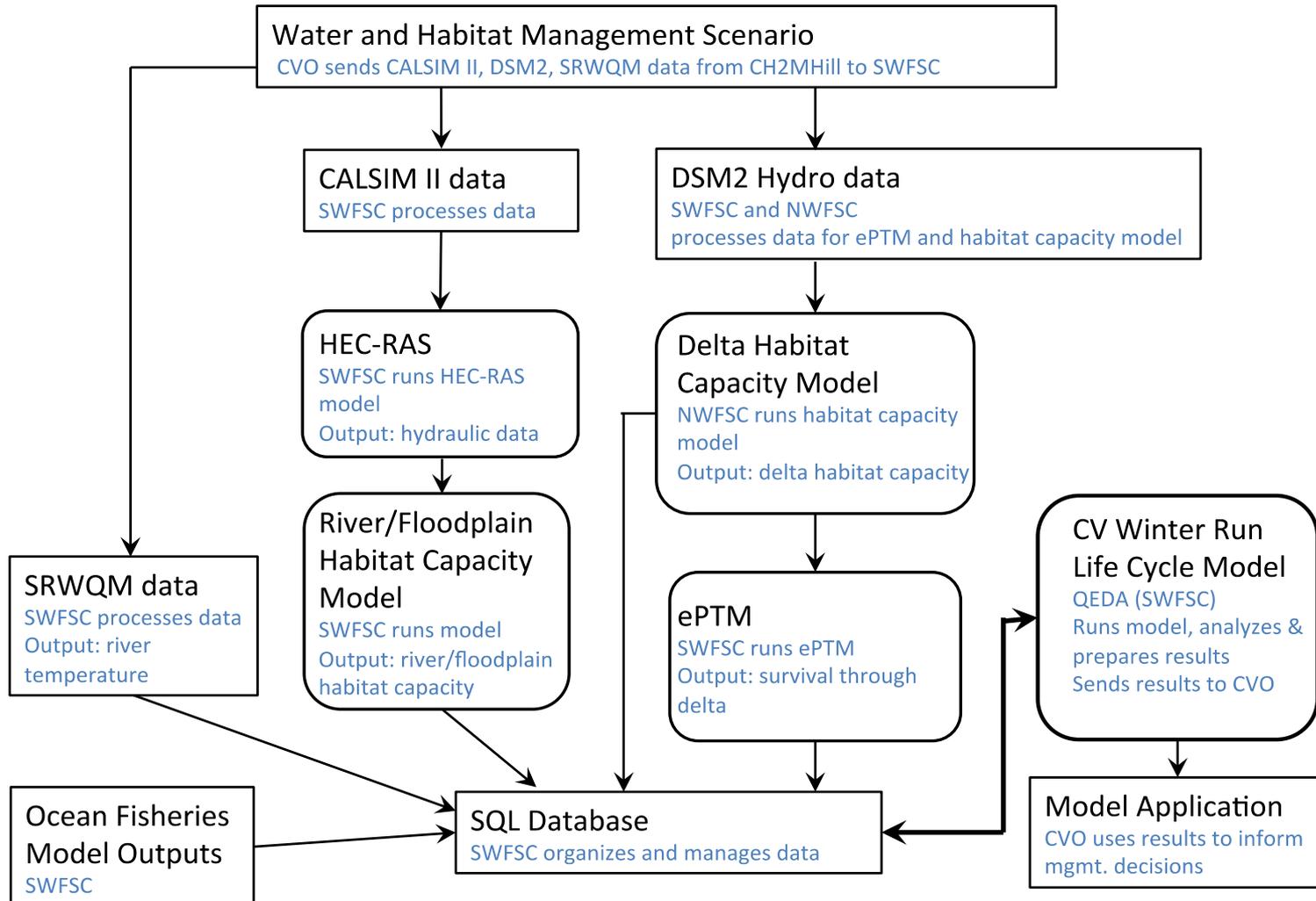


WRLCM Diagram



WRLCM Model Linkages

Central Valley Winter Run LCM Model Linkages



PROPOSED ACTION (PA) VS NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE (NAA)

Scenarios Evaluated

CWF Alternative (PA, NAA) Comparison	Initial Abundance	Hydrology	NDD near - field mortality	Rationale
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Scenario 2A	5,000	Revised	0%	explore smaller population, revised hydrology and no near field mortality
Scenario 2B	5,000	Revised	3%	explore smaller population, revised hydrology and 3% near field mortality.

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Scenario Results

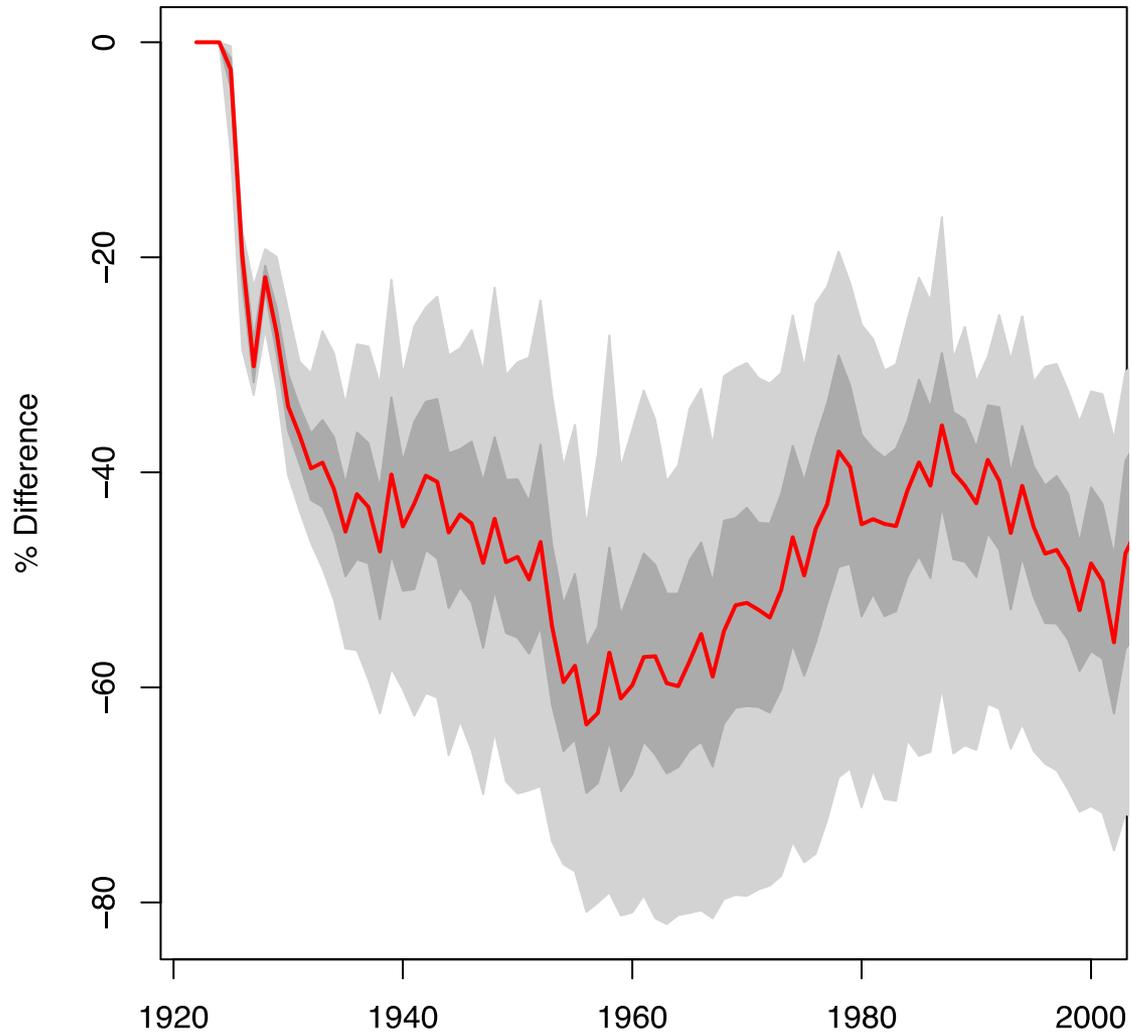
Cohort Replacement Rate (CRR)

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Scenario 1	-8.33%	-8.16%	0.998
Scenario 1A	-8.15%	-7.95%	0.998
Scenario 1B	-8.53%	-8.74%	0.998
Scenario 2	-8.78%	-8.99%	0.998
Scenario 2A	-7.48%	-7.71%	0.998
Scenario 2B	-8.24%	-8.46%	0.998

Percent difference in spawner abundance

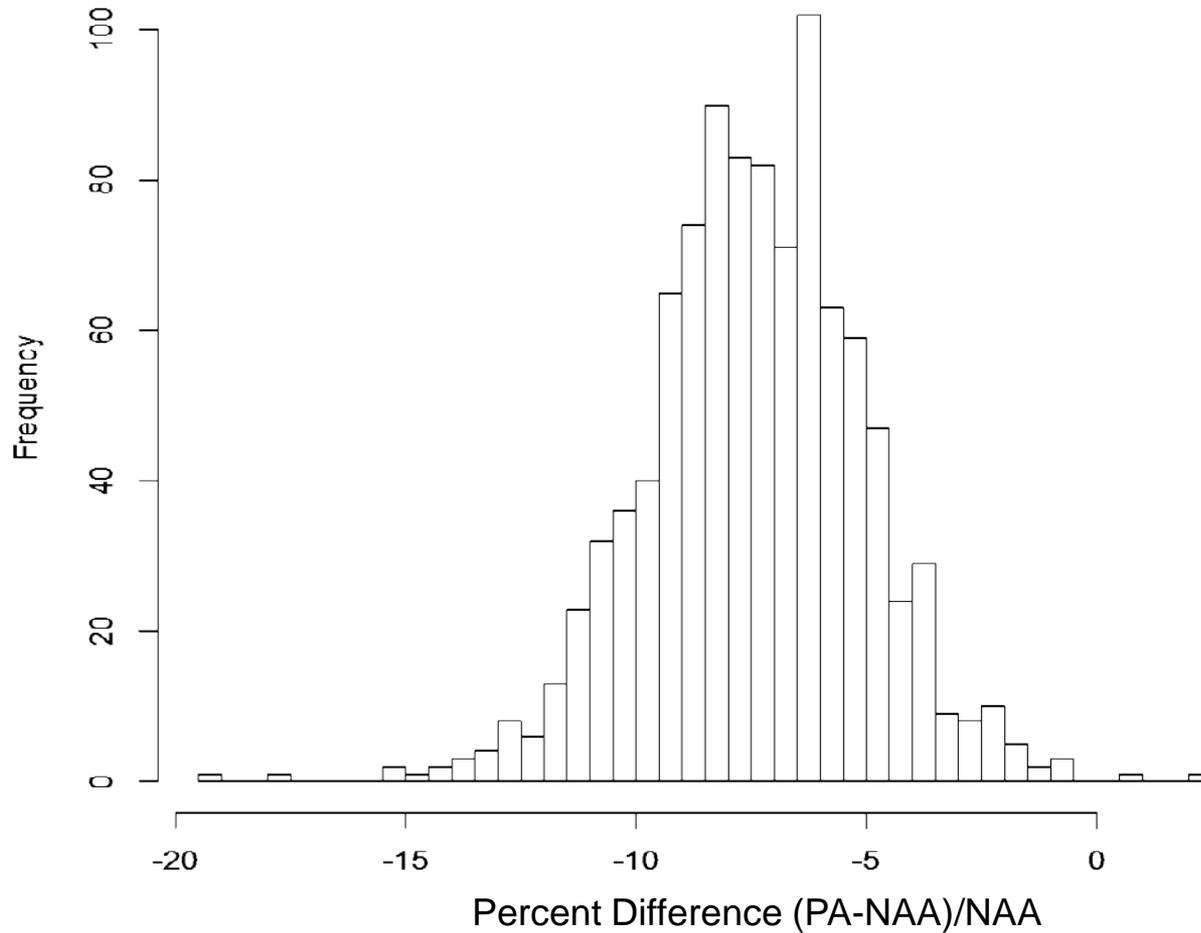
Scenario 2A

Difference in Spawner Abundance: PA and NAA Scenarios

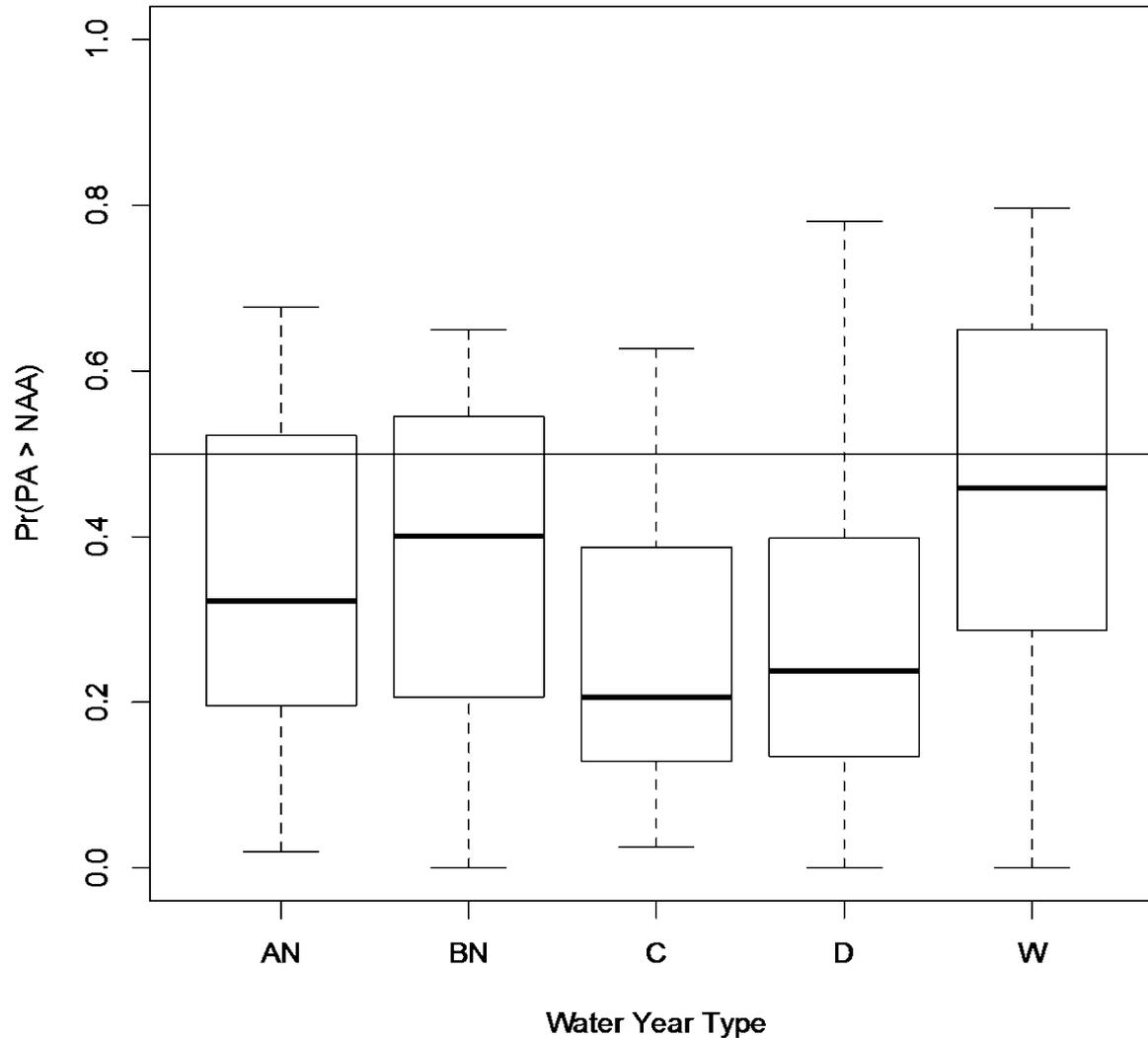


Percent difference in CRR

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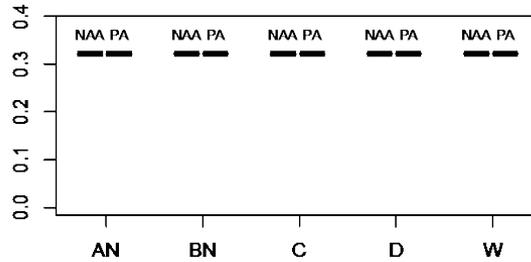


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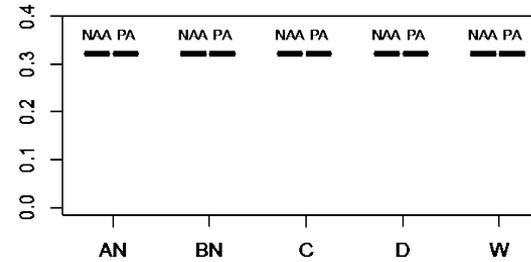


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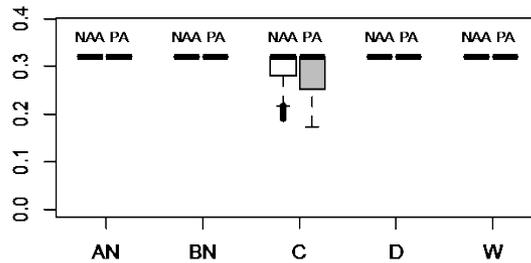
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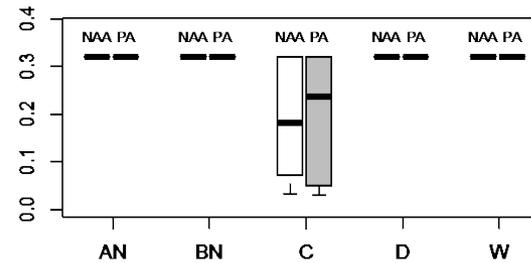
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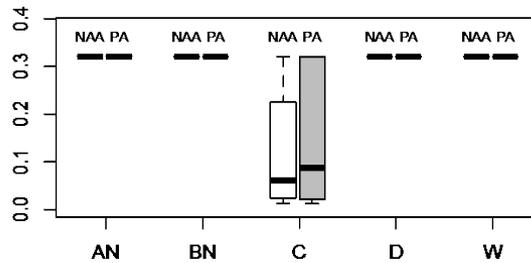
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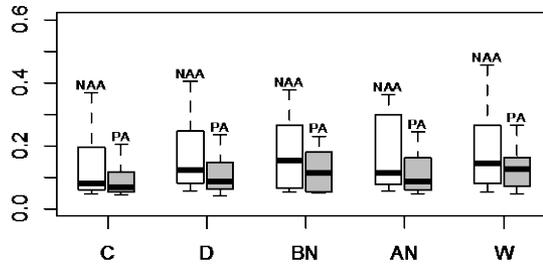


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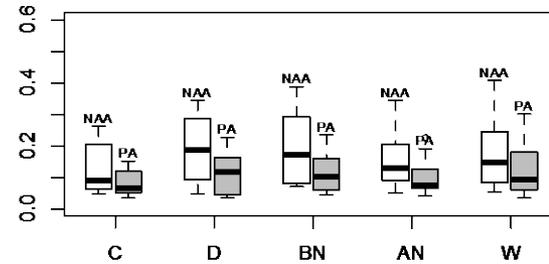


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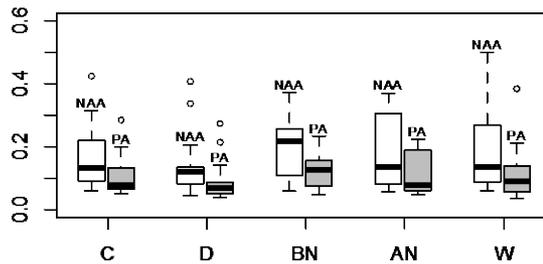
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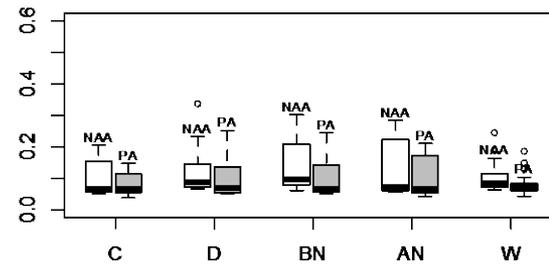
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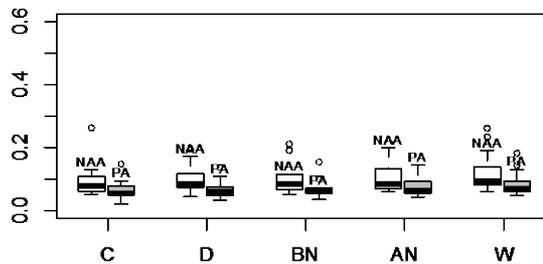
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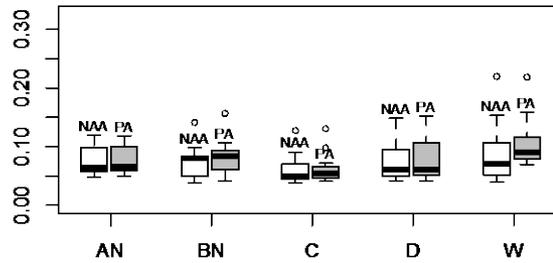


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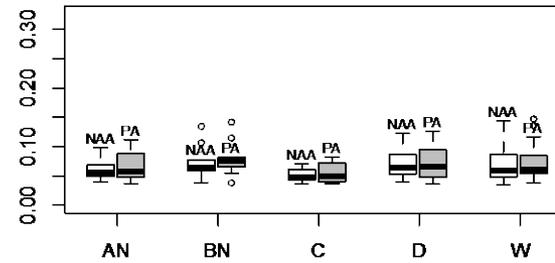


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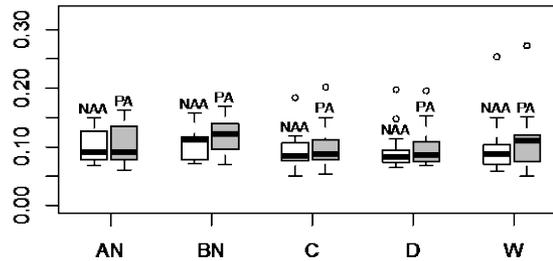
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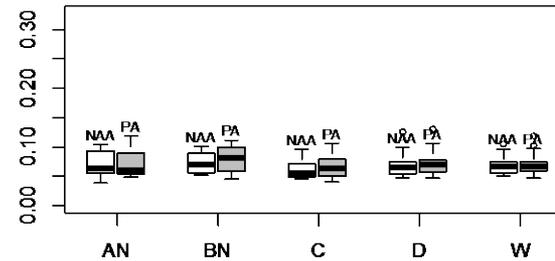
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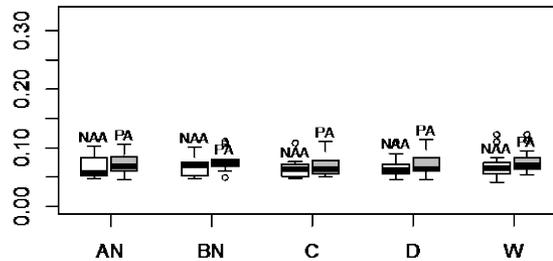
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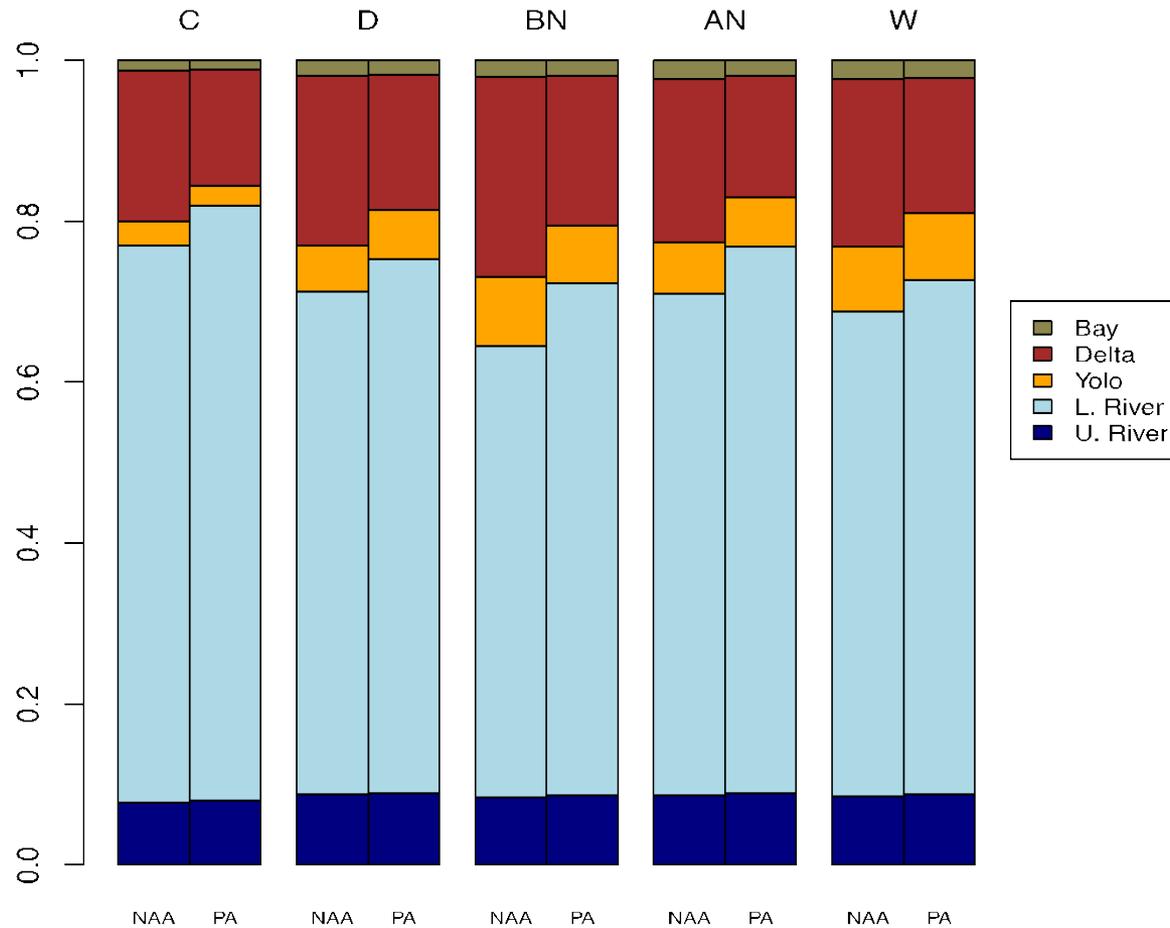
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Smolt origination

Scenario 2A

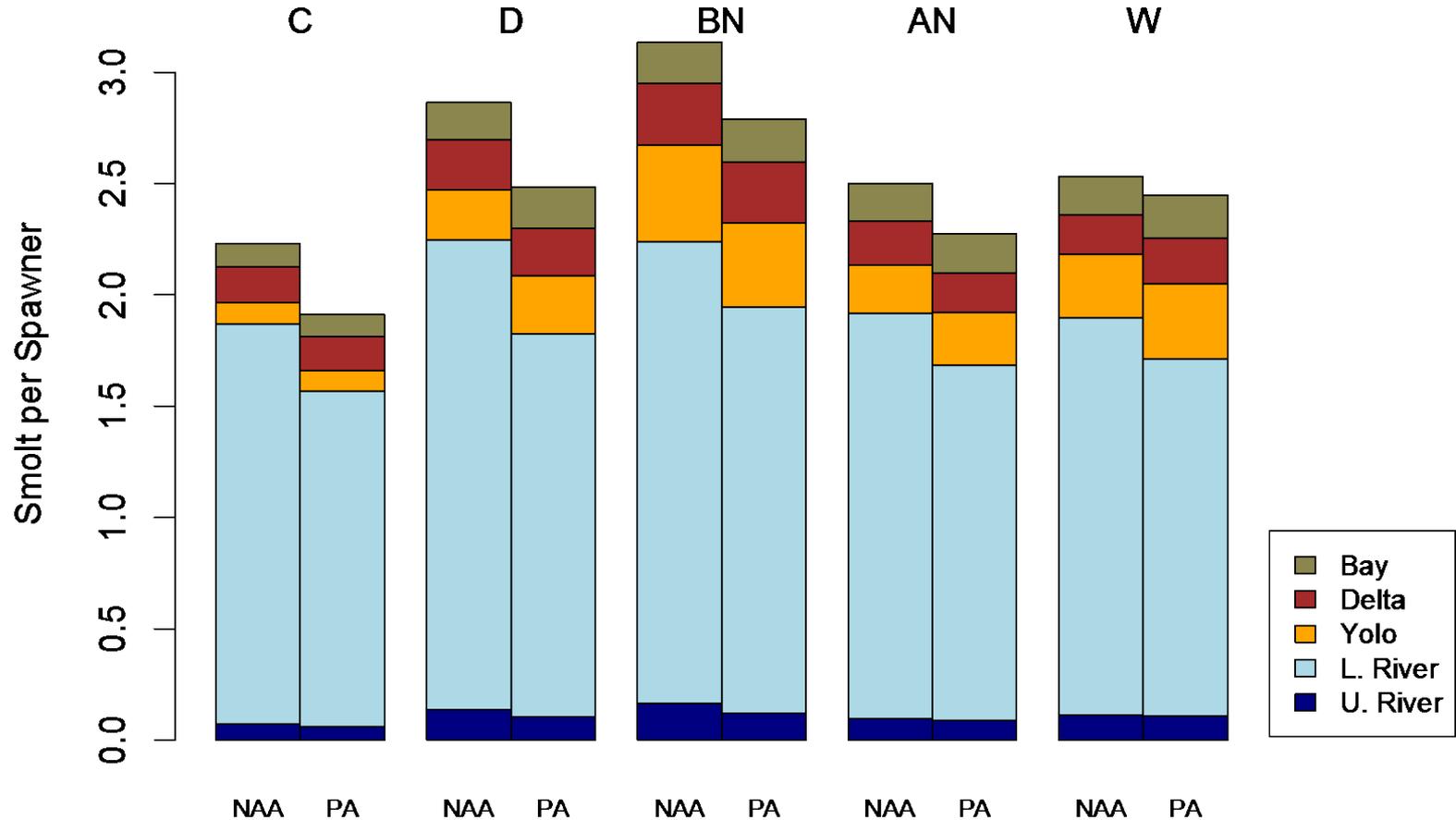
Proportion of Smolt in Each Habitat by Water Year Type



Productivity

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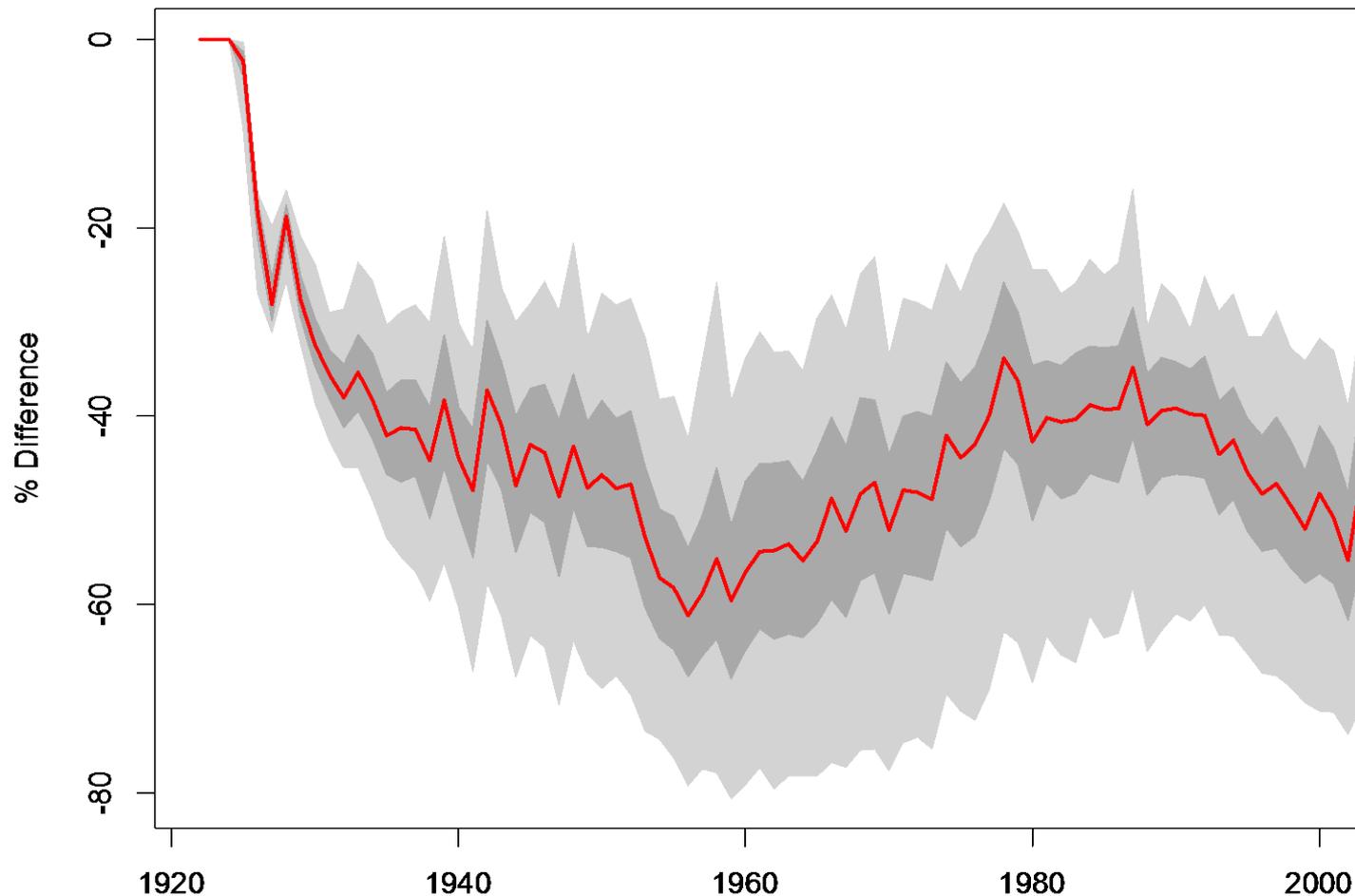
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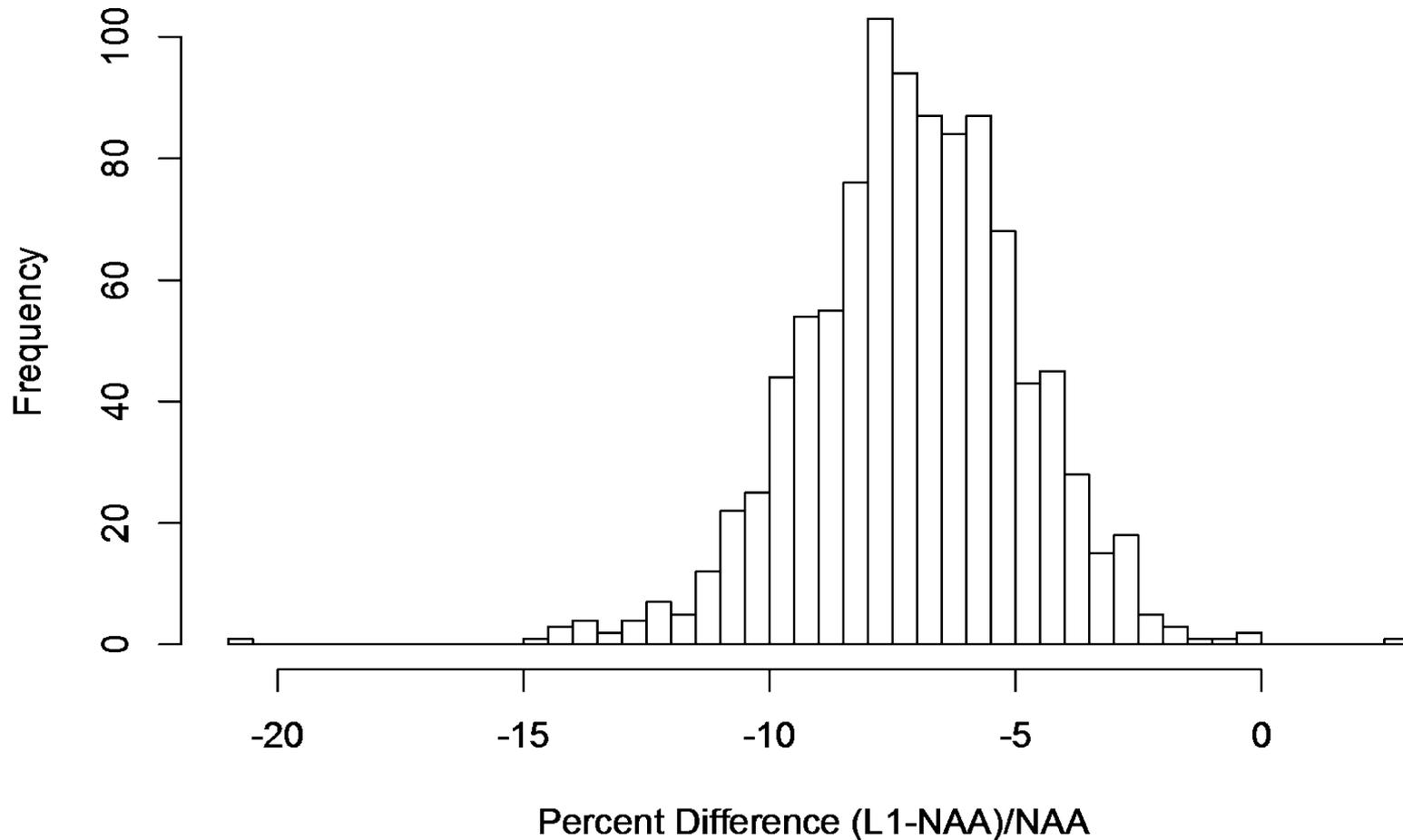
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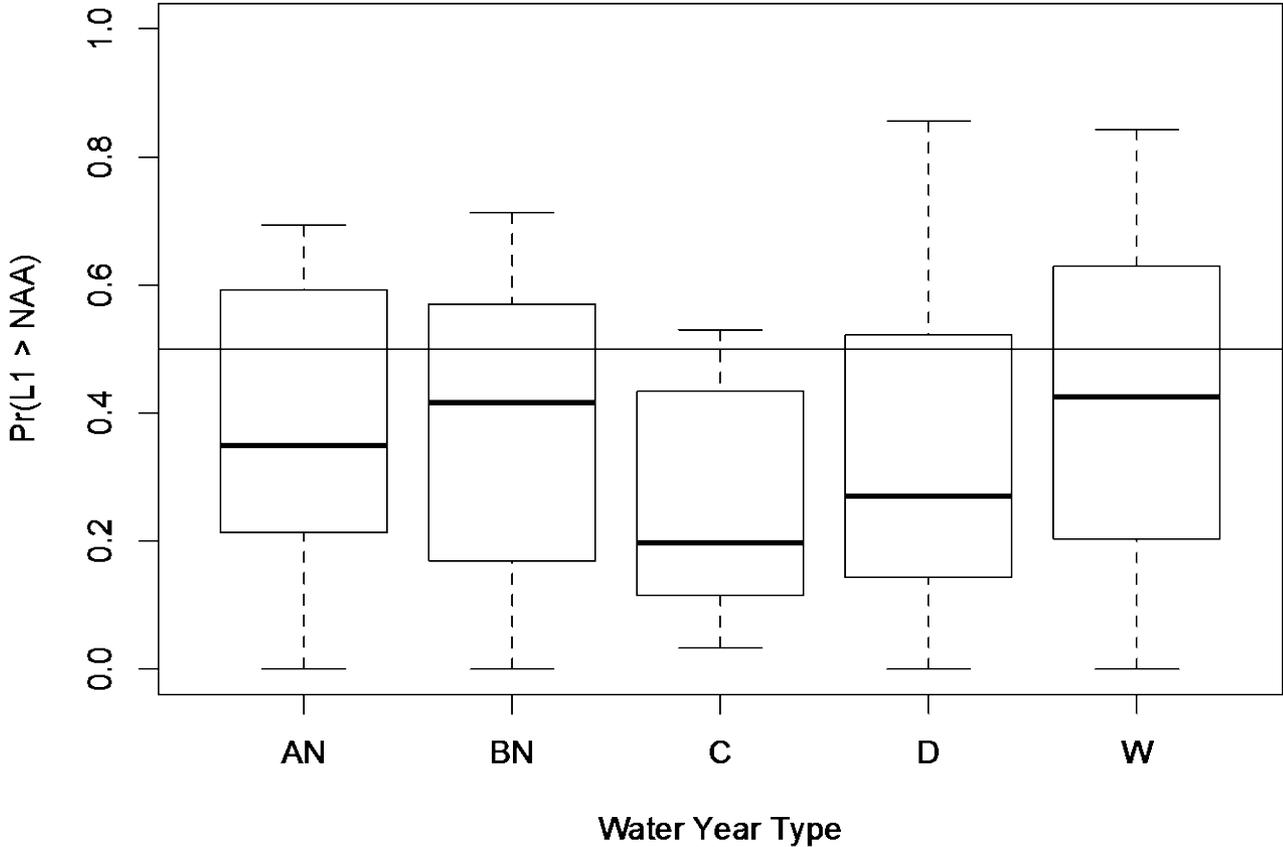


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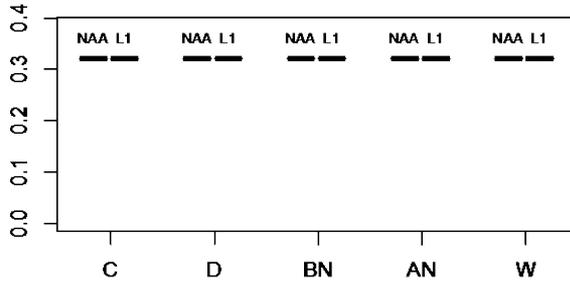


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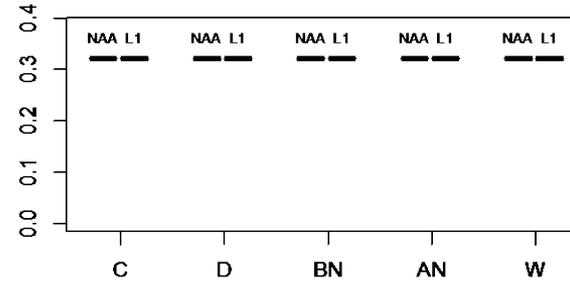


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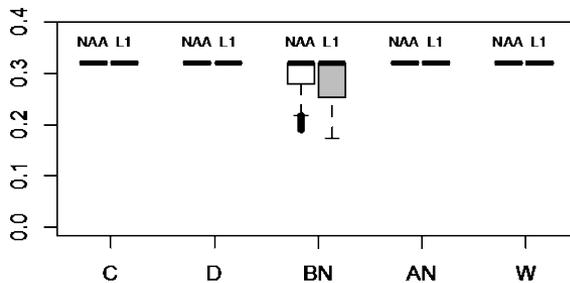
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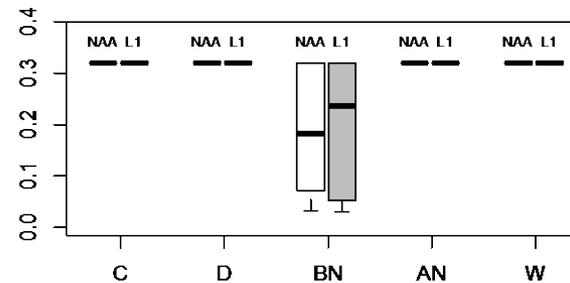
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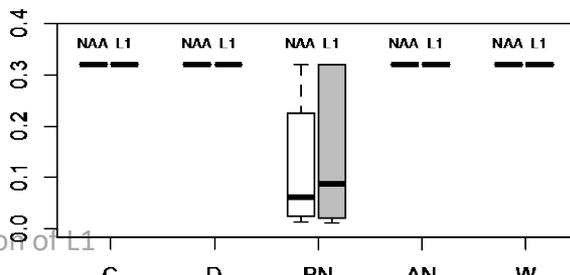
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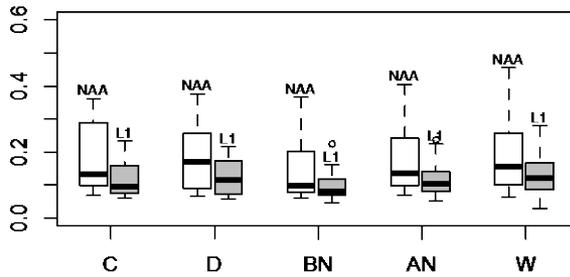


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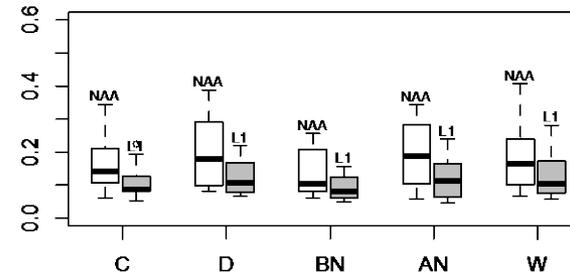


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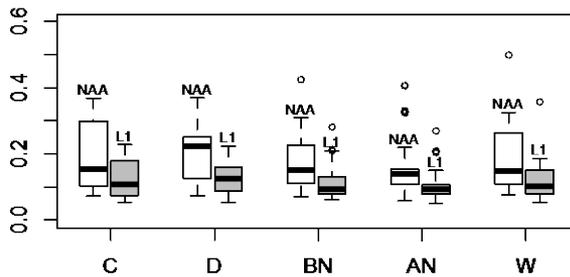
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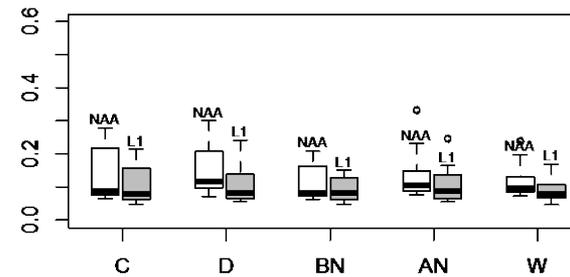
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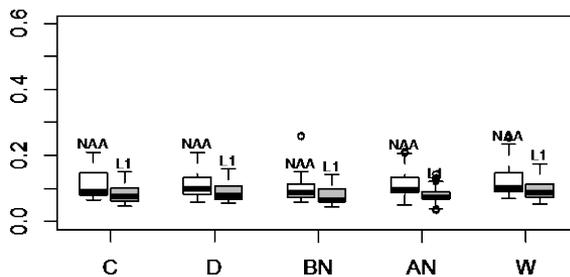
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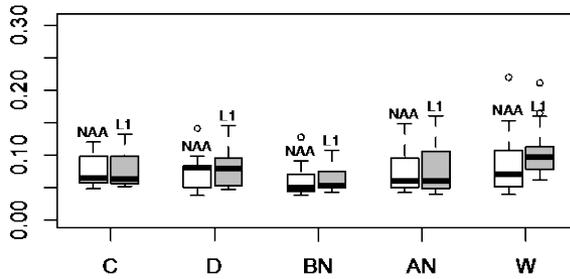


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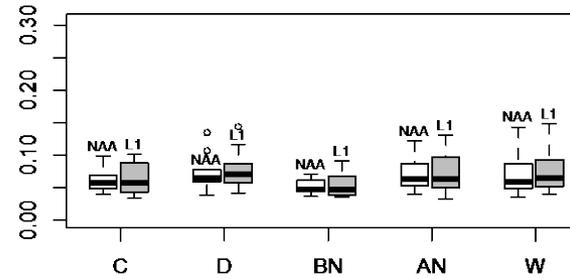


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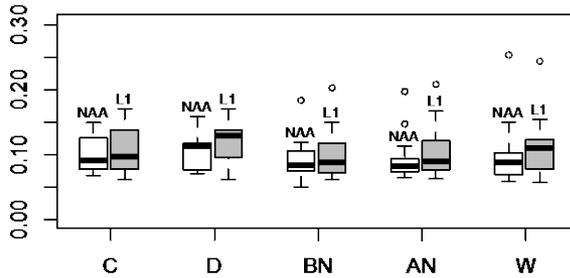
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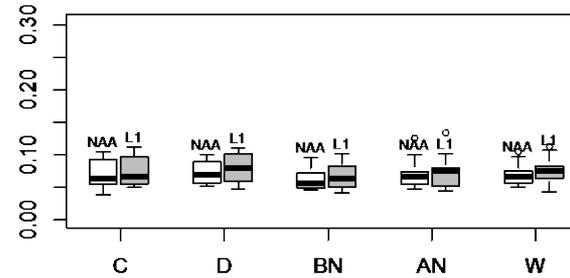
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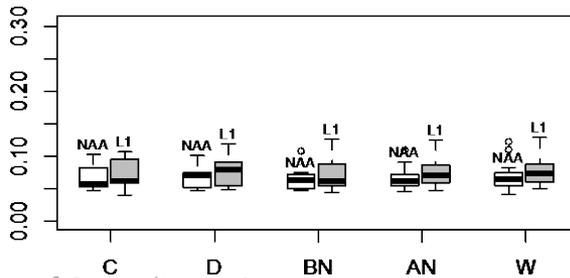
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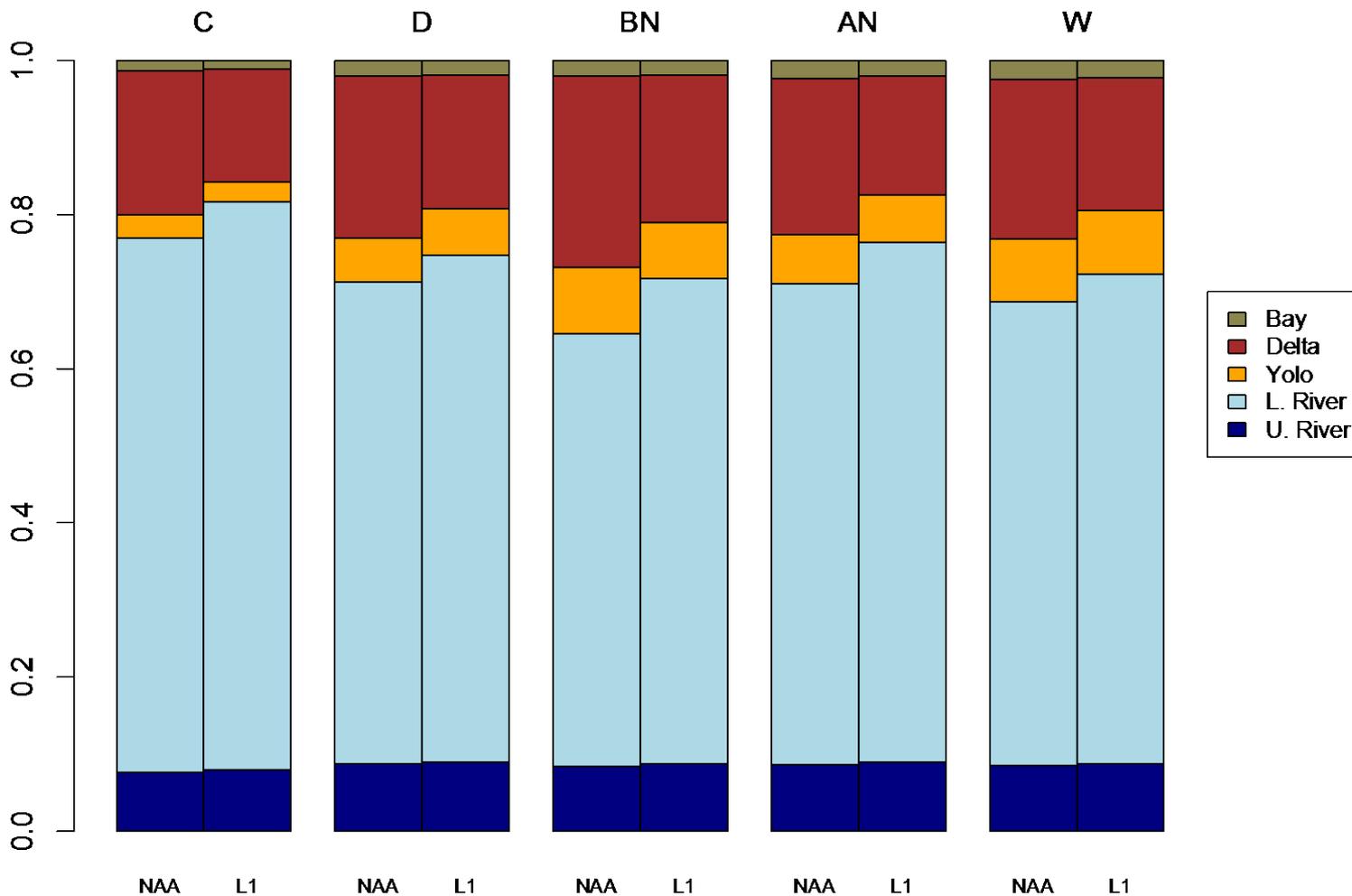
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Smolt origination

L1 vs NAA, Scenario 2A

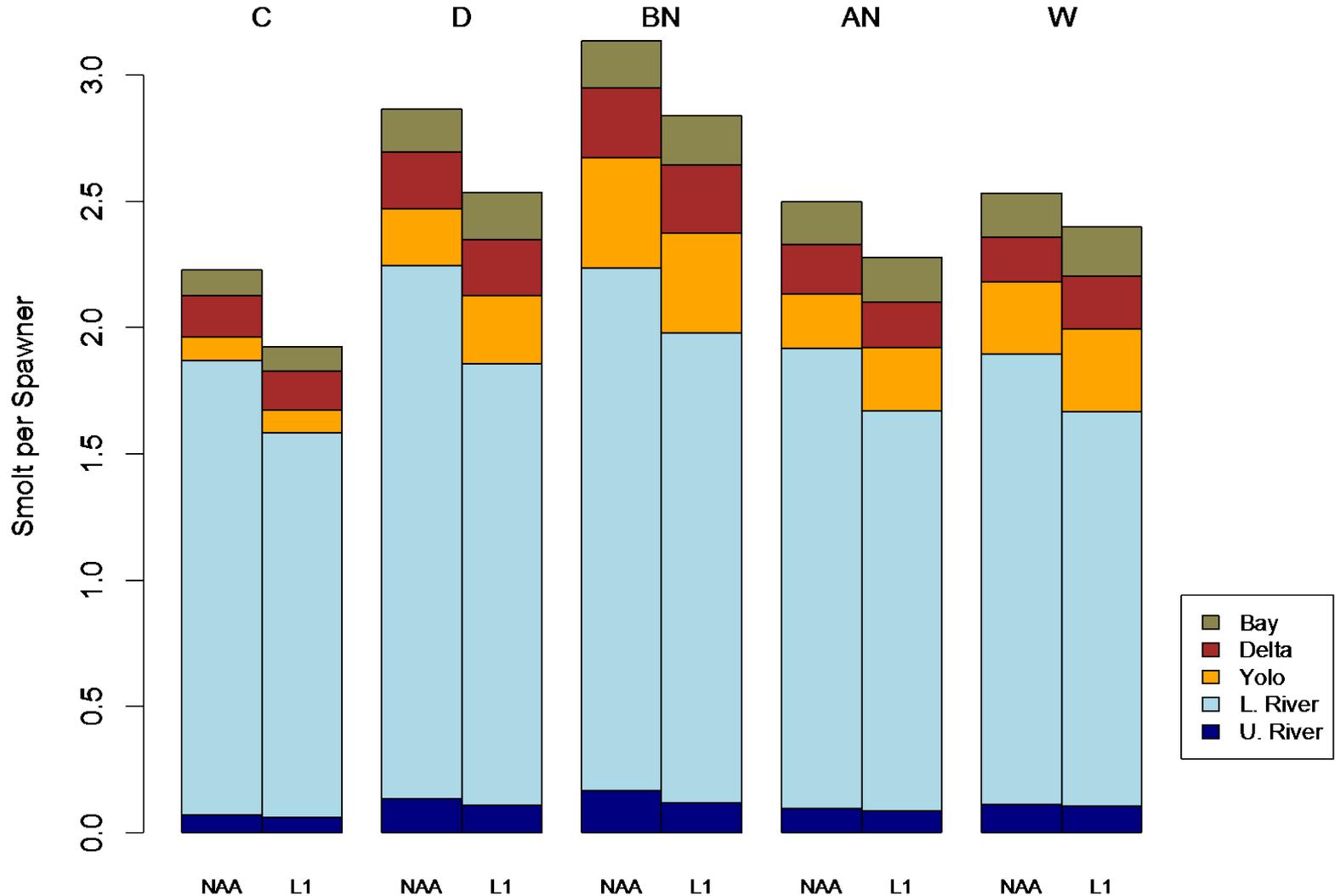
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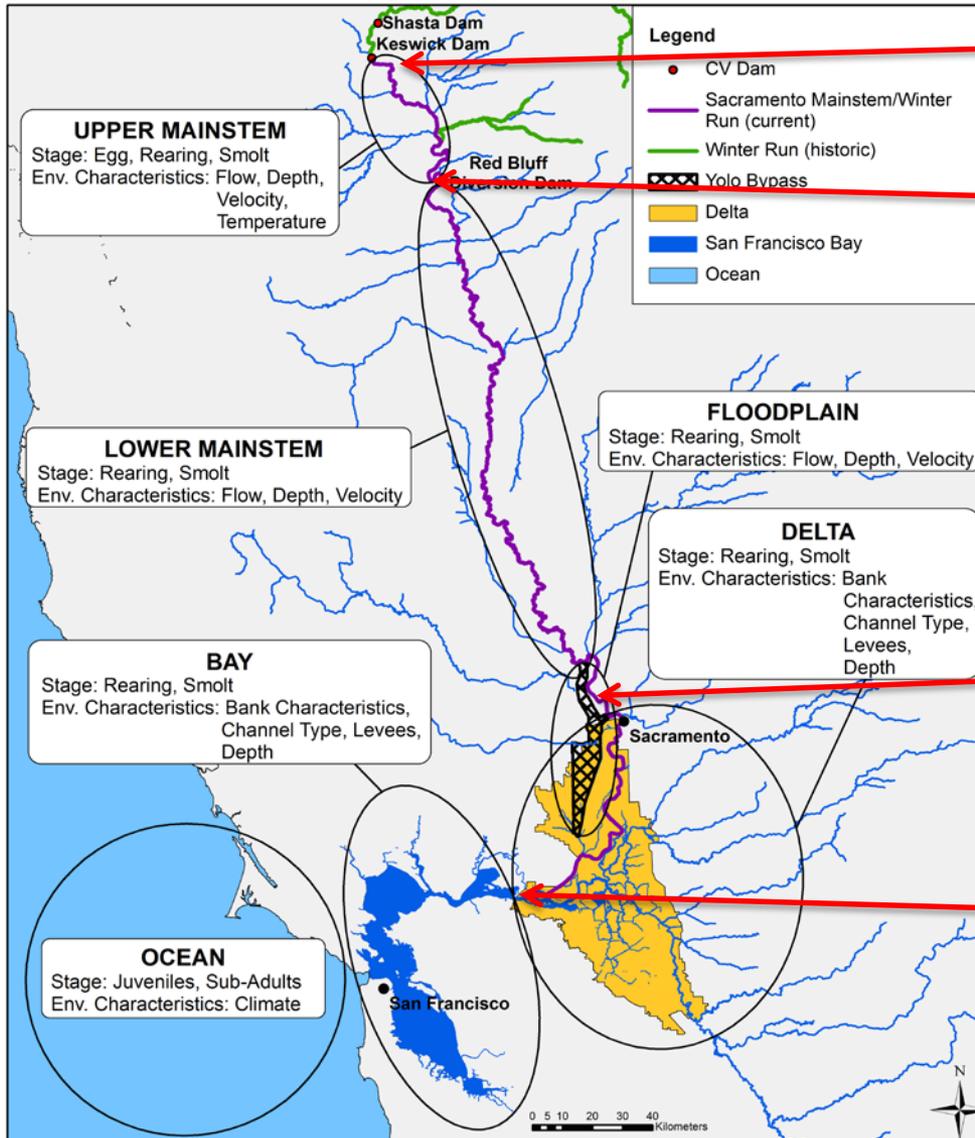
Questions?



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CALIBRATION SLIDES

Indices of Abundance



Escapement

Juvenile abundance

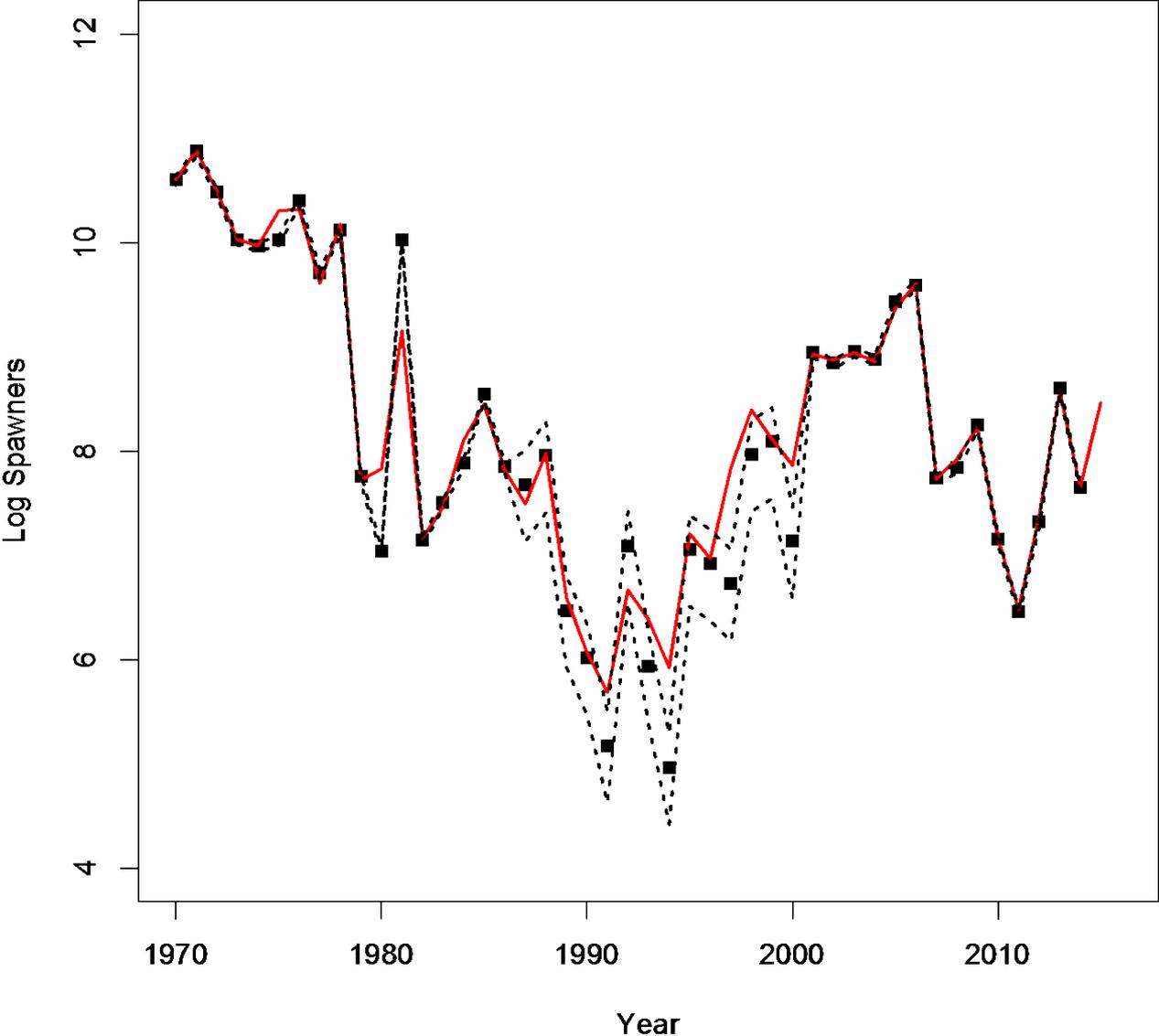
Knights Landing catch

Chippis Island abundance

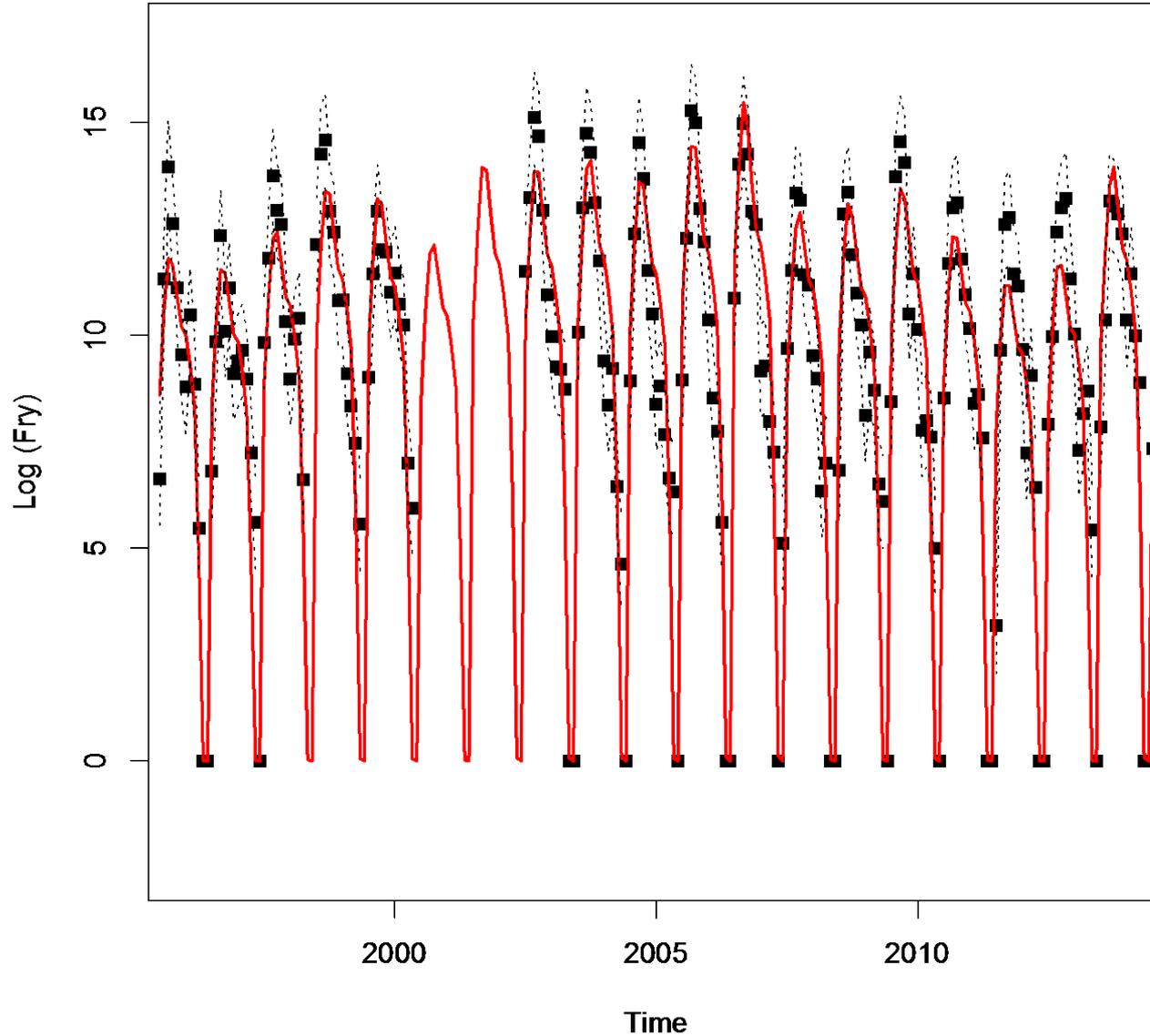
Indices of abundance

Data	Date	Coefficient of Variation	Sampling Distribution	Data time step
Natural Escapement	1970-2014	0.15 (1970-1986) 0.5 (1987-2000) 0.15 (2001-2014)	lognormal	Annual
RBDD monthly juvenile counts	1996-1999, 2002-2014	0.85	lognormal	Monthly
Knights Landing monthly catches	1999 - 2008	NA	multinomial	Monthly
Chippis Island monthly juvenile abundance	2008 - 2011	1.5	lognormal	Monthly

Natural origin log escapement

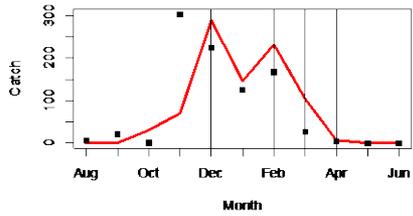


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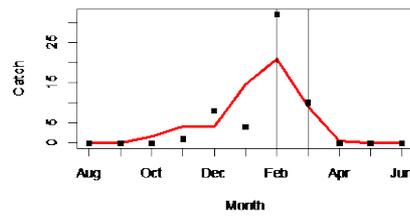


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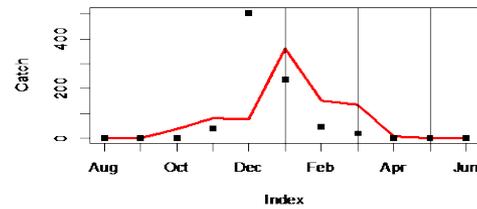
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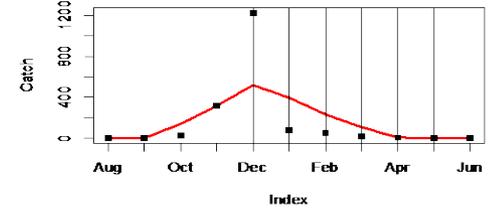
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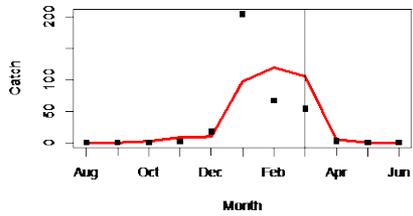
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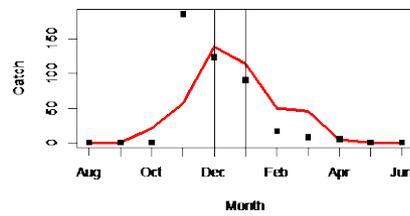
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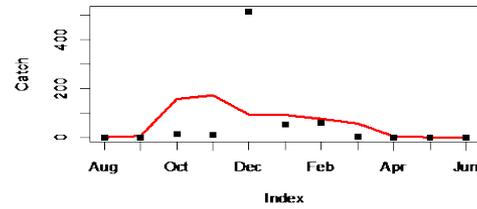
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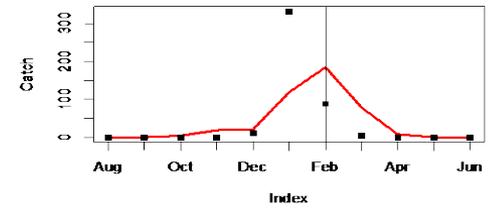
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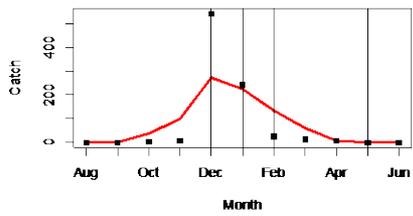
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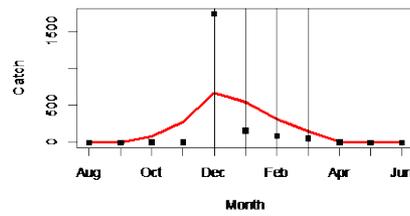
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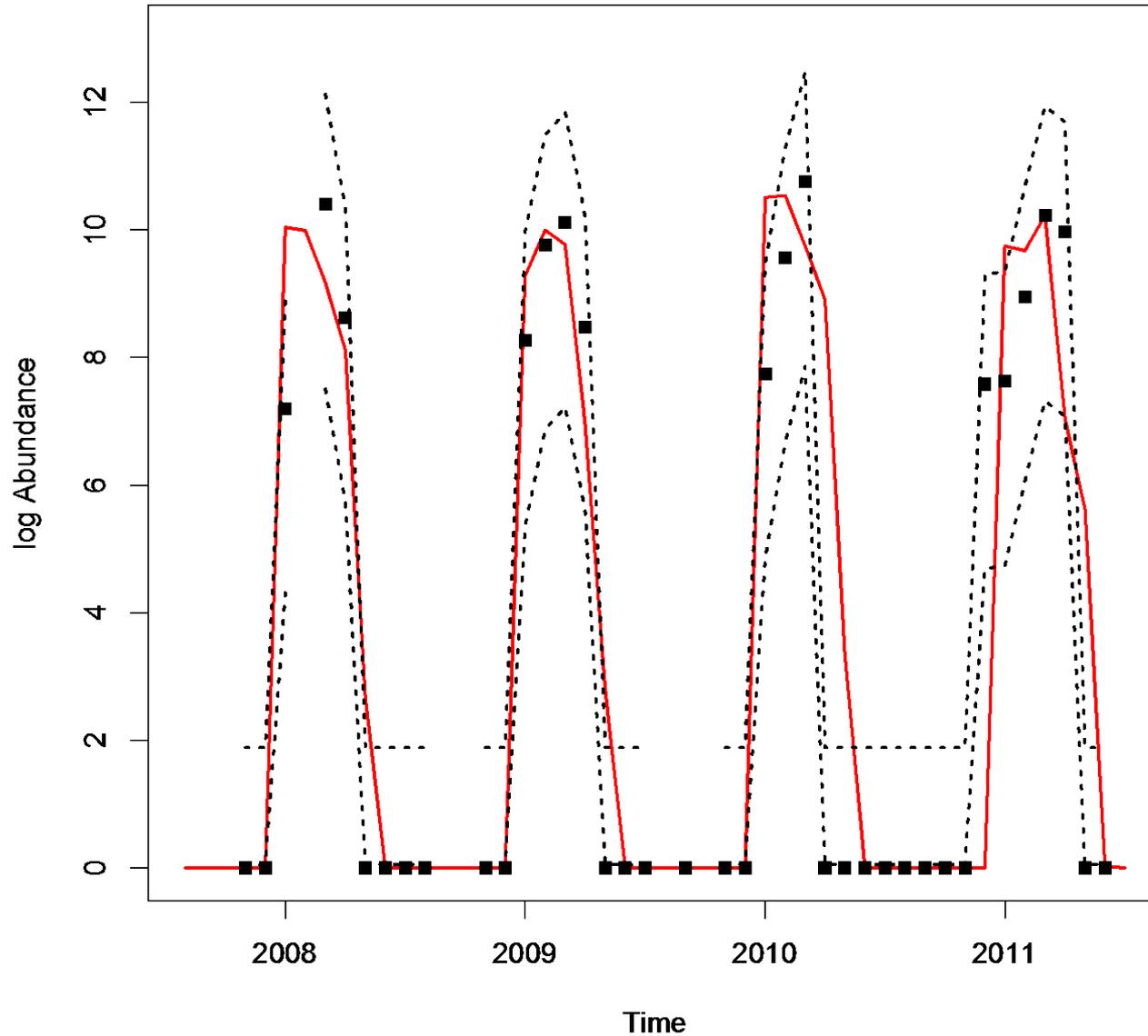
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Chippis Island log abundance



Simulations for WaterFix

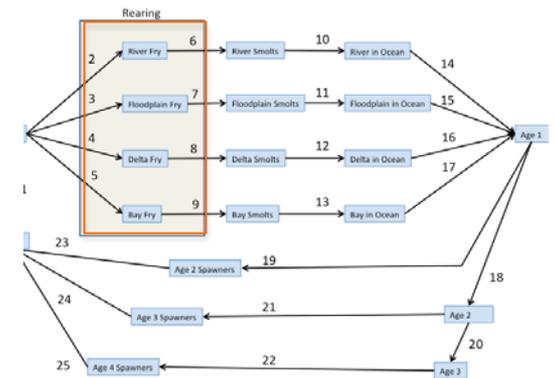
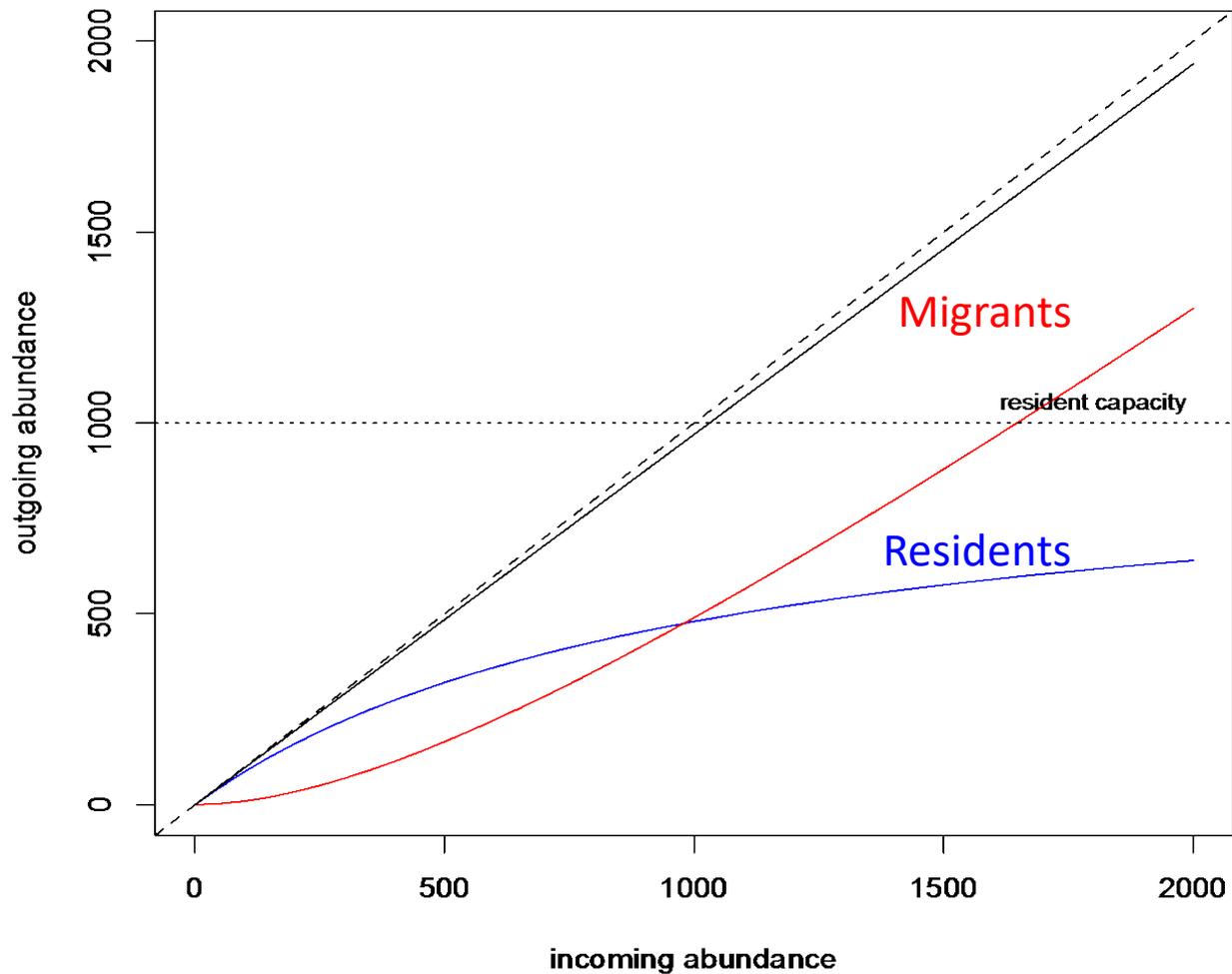
- Incorporated parameter uncertainty in simulations, parameter set k

State parameters ${}^k\boldsymbol{\theta} \sim MVN(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}})$

Random Effects ${}^k\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{1:T} \sim N(0, \mathbf{I}\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2)$

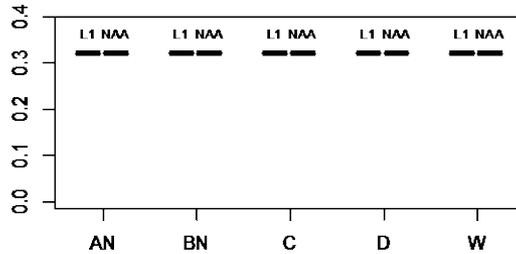
- NOTE: We are not interested in forecasting observations, so do not include measurement error

Fry Rearing Movement Function

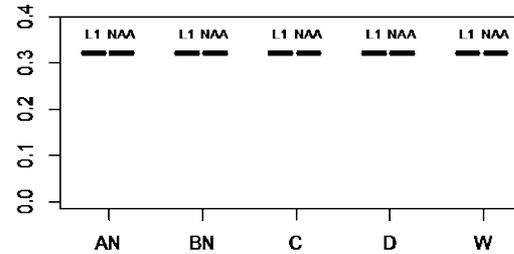


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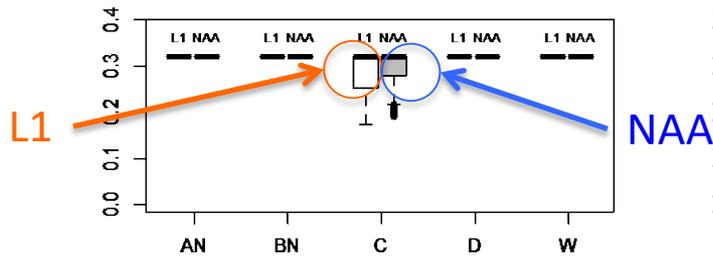
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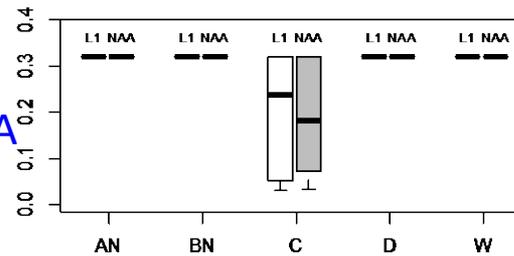
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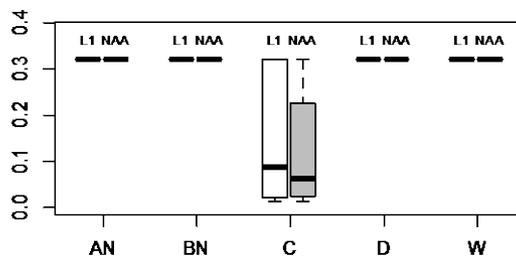
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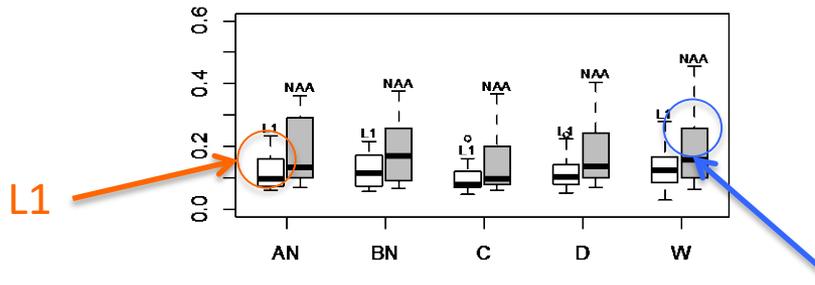


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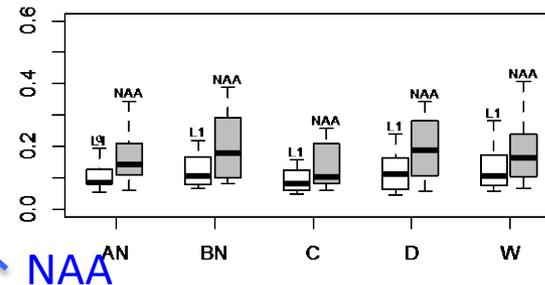


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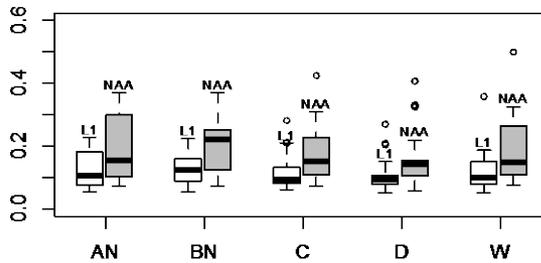
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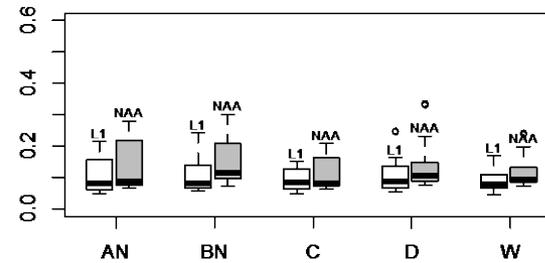
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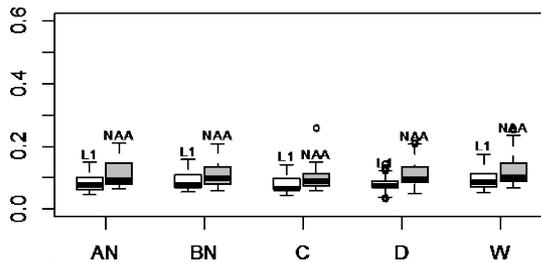
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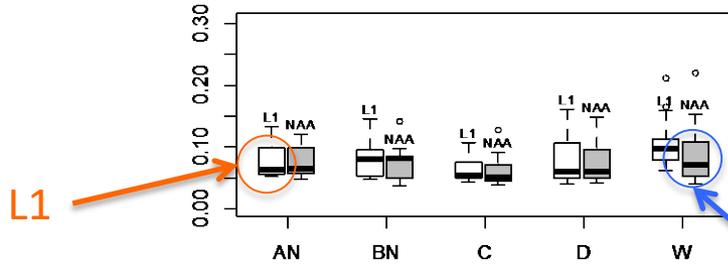


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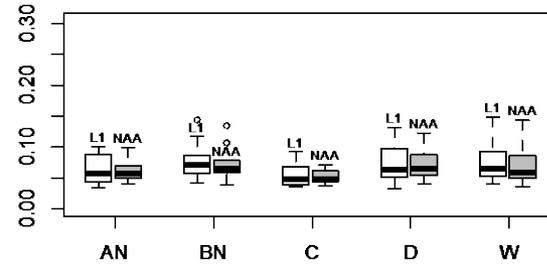


NAA and L1 Delta smolt survival

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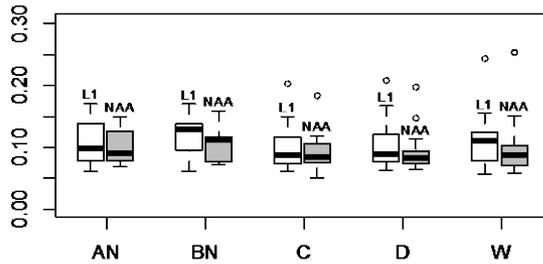


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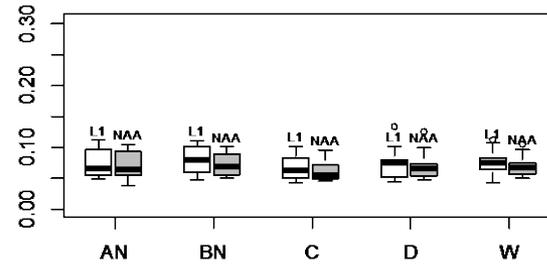


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