

# Review Candidate Fisheries Objectives and Performance Metrics for Investigation

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# Outline

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- Where are we in the process
- Why do we need an operating model
- The worry list
- Example ... “The Sporer Management Procedure”
- Discussion



MSE –  
The light on the Hill

Vickie Wooten

# Key Ingredients (A.D.M Smith)

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1. A clearly defined set of management objectives.
2. A set of performance criteria related to the objectives.
3. A set of management strategies or options to be considered.
4. A means of calculating the performance criteria for each strategy.

# Working Fisheries Objectives

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1. Minimum number of mature female halibut coast-wide (e.g. 1 million) with probability of 0.99.
2. Maintain a minimum spawning biomass of 20% of unfished in each year with a probability of 0.95 (SSB limit).
3. Maintain spawning biomass above 30% of unfished in each year with a probability of 0.75 (SSB threshold).
4. Maintain directed fishing opportunity each year, conditional on satisfying objectives 1 and 2, with a probability of 0.95.
5. Maximize yield in each regulatory area each year without exceeding the target harvest rate in a given area 50% of the time.

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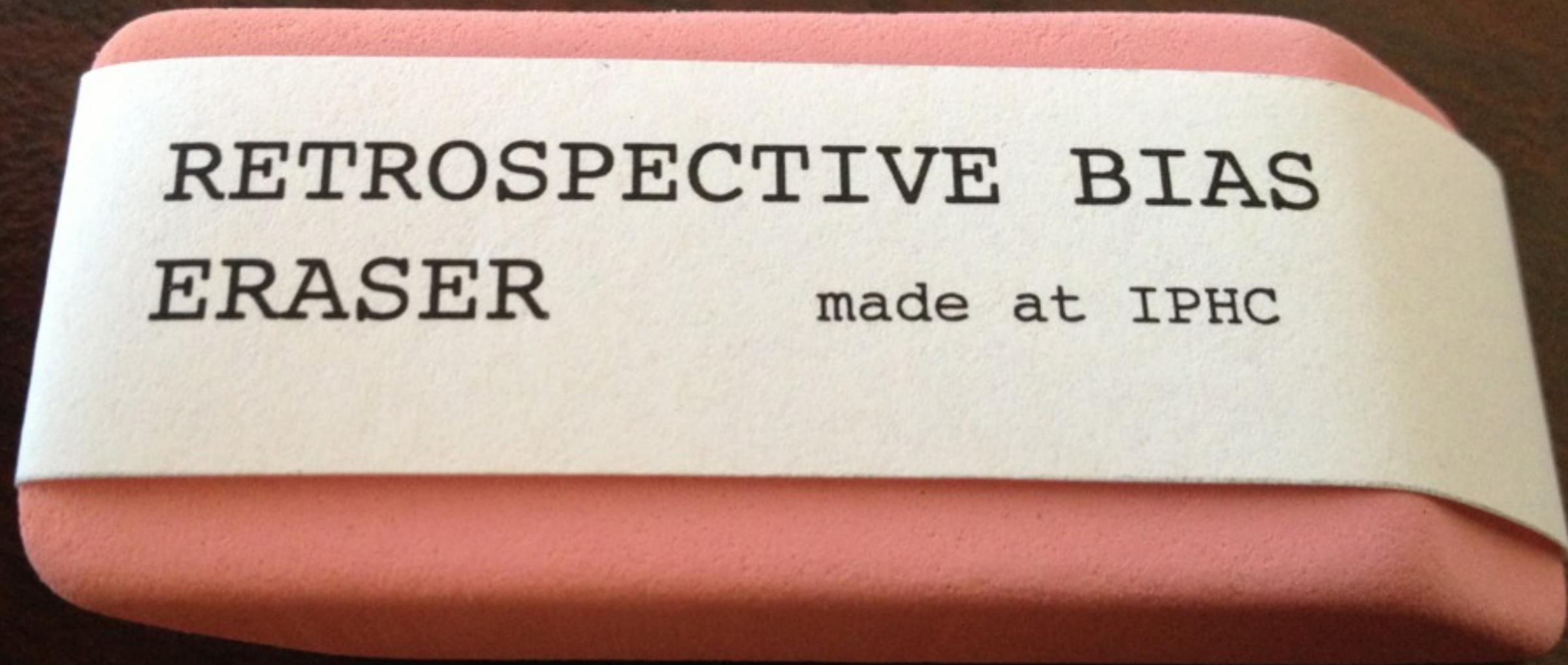
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6. Limit annual changes in TAC, coast wide and/or by regulatory area, to less than 15% per year conditional on satisfying objectives 1 and 2.
7. Maintain median catch with  $\pm 10\%$  of the 1993-2012 average within five years of implementing the procedure.
8. Maintain average catch at  $>70\%$  of historical 1993-2012 average, 90% of the time.
9. Reduce bycatch mortality to within 5% of total catch limits – minimize bycatch to the extent practicable.

# Working Performance Metrics

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1. Absolute number of sexually mature female halibut (re: objective 1).
2. Ratio of current SSB relative to unfished  $SSB_0$  (where  $SSB_0$  is based on current size-at-age (re: objectives 1 & 2)).
3. Total catch and directed catch from each regulatory area (re: objectives 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8).
4. Legal biomass in each regulatory area in each year (re: objective 5).
5. Bycatch from each regulatory area in each year (re: objective 9).



What is required of the  
operating model?

Steve Martell

# Operating Model Requirements

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- **Dimensions:**

- Area, Stock, Sex, Time, Age, Size, Gears.

- **Regimes (Scenarios):**

- Growth, recruitment, availability, mortality, selectivity, regulatory, discarding, etc.

- **Procedures:**

- Harvest control rules, assessment models, data, incidental catch, feedback controls

- **Worry list:**

- can manage = 'procedure'
- can't manage = 'scenario'

# The worry list (think of it as a matrix)

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Averting a crisis

Plan for it!

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Chris Sporer is about to become famous,  
or infamous!

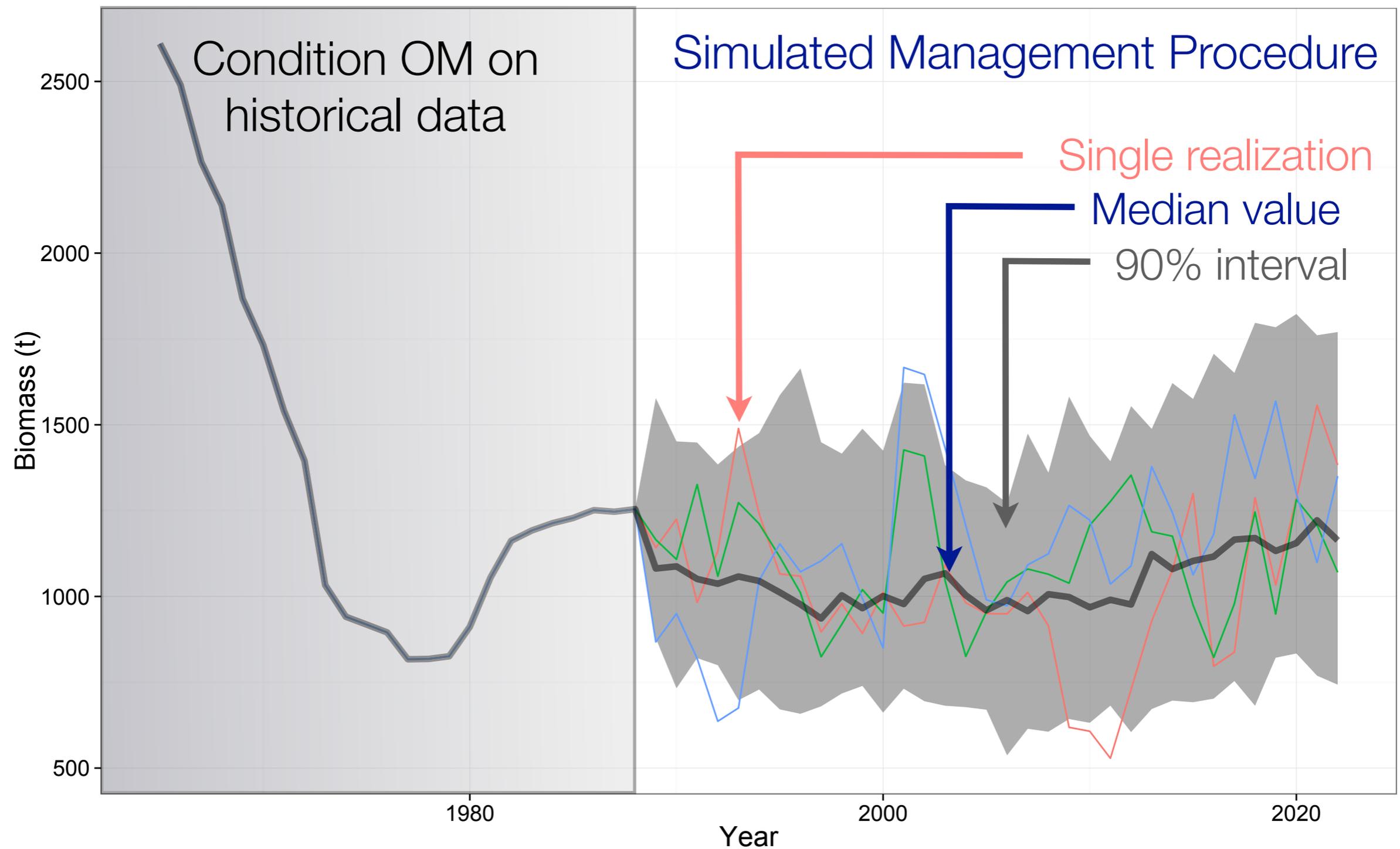
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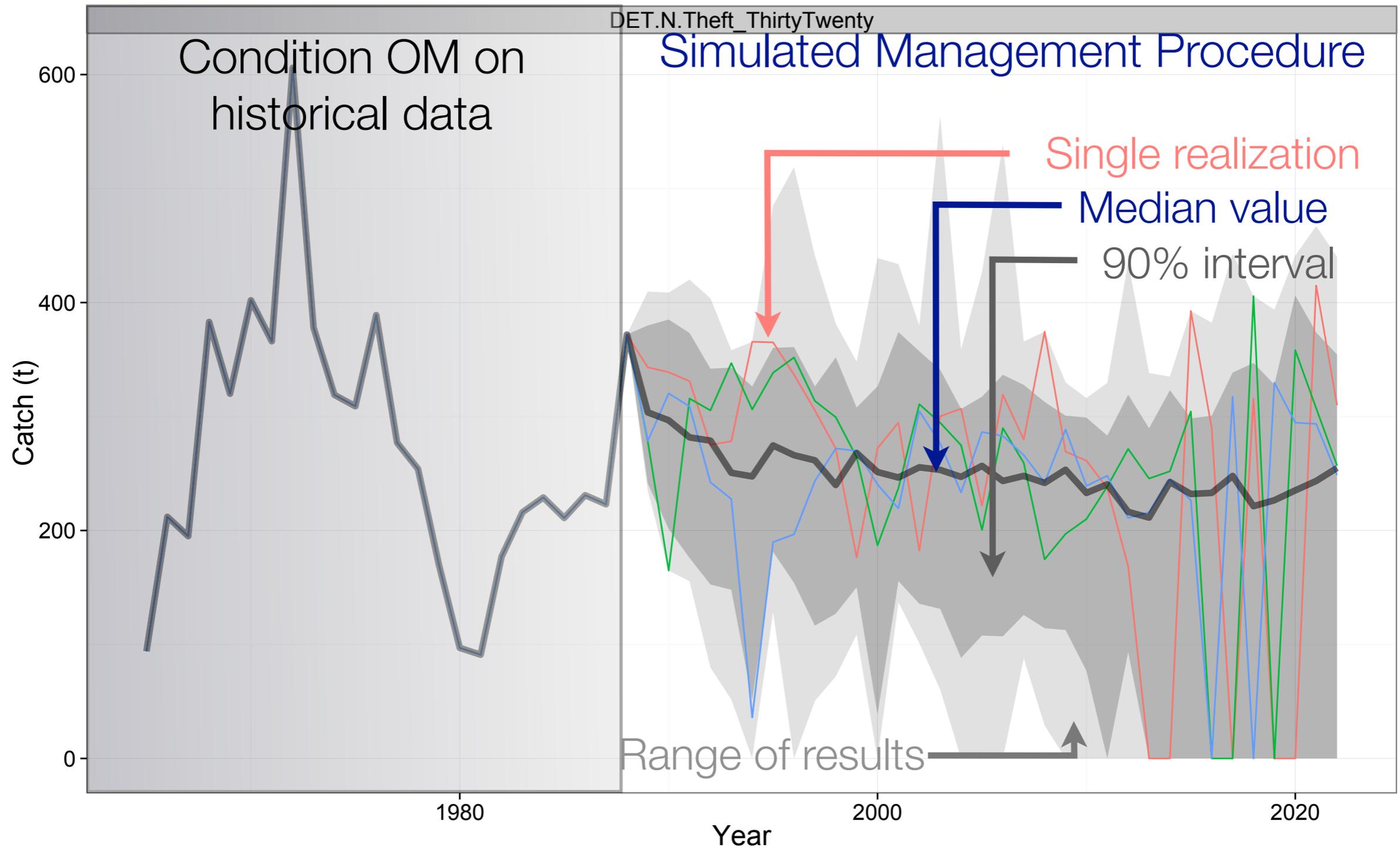
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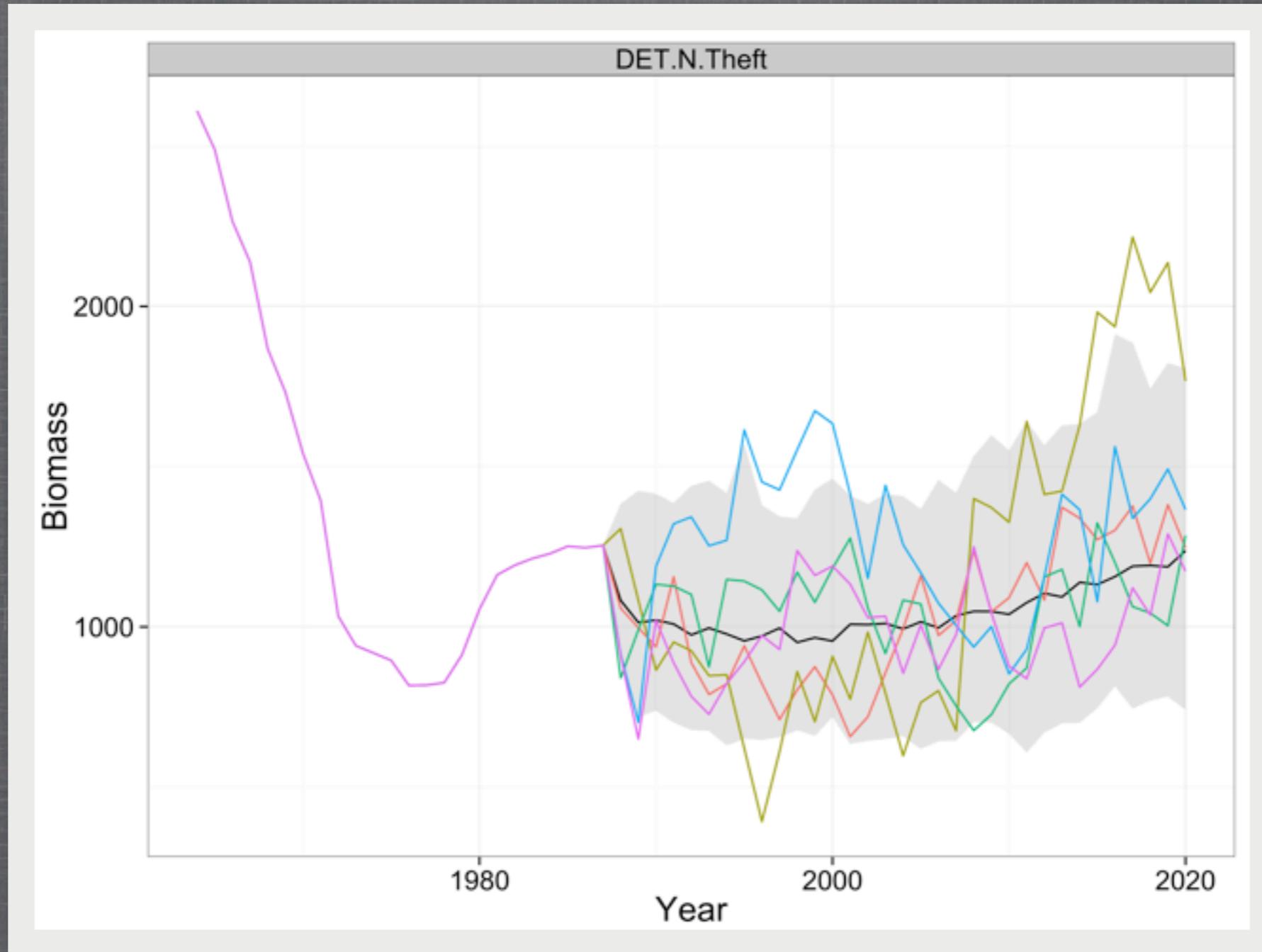


# The Operating Model: Landings



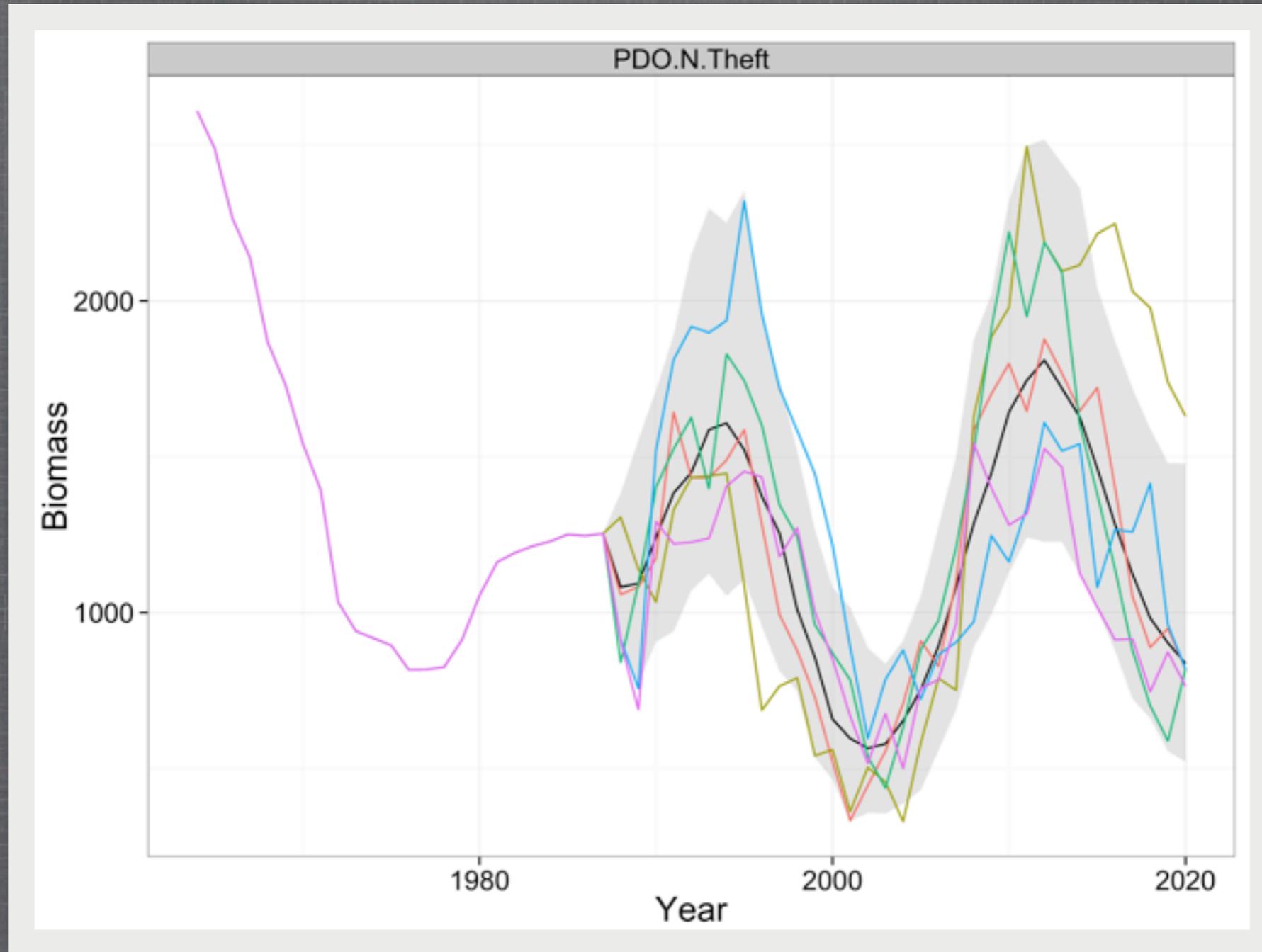
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Deterministic production



# SCENARIO 2; MP=30:20

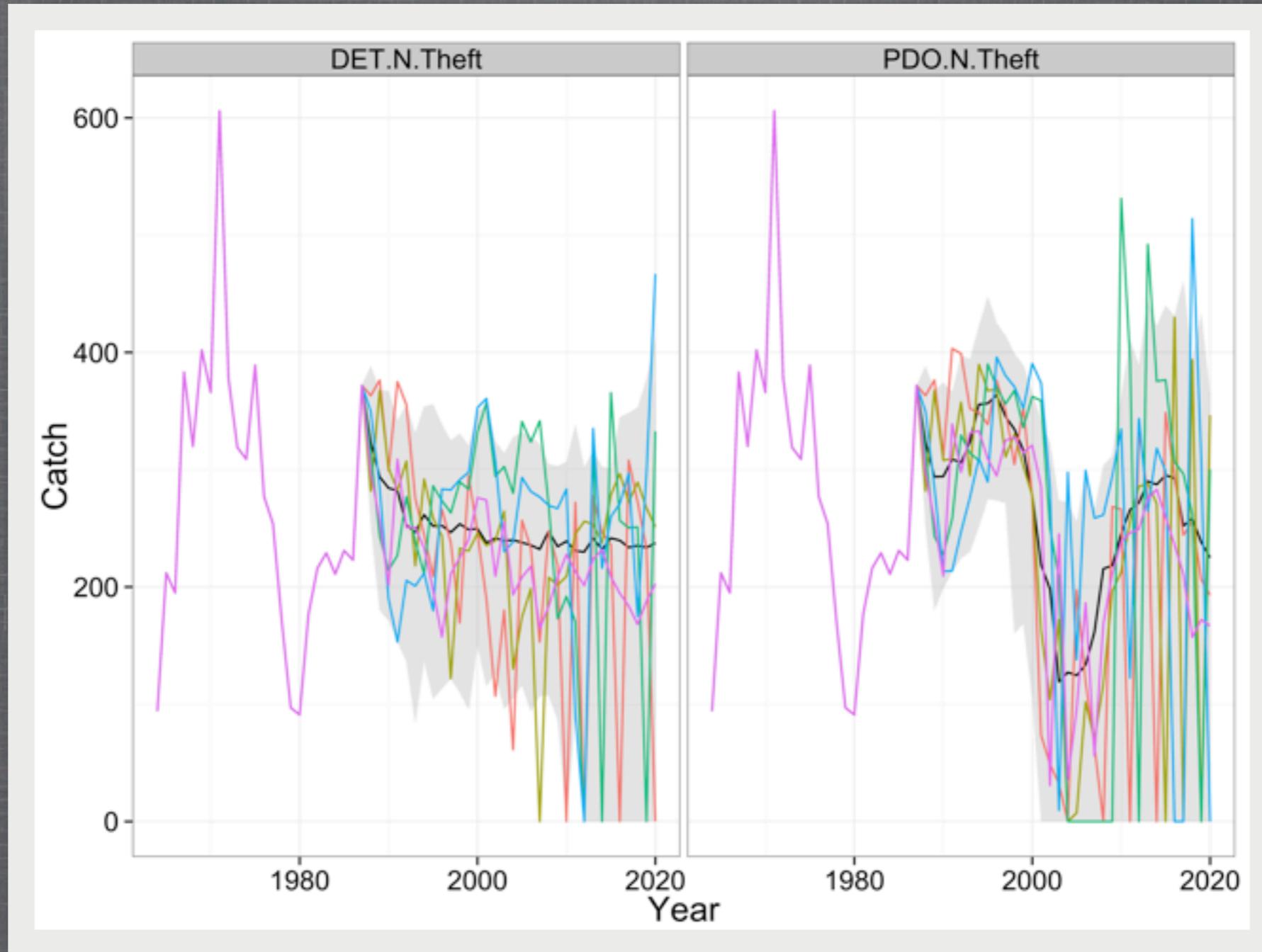
## Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO)



# LANDINGS: MP=30:20

Deterministic

PDO



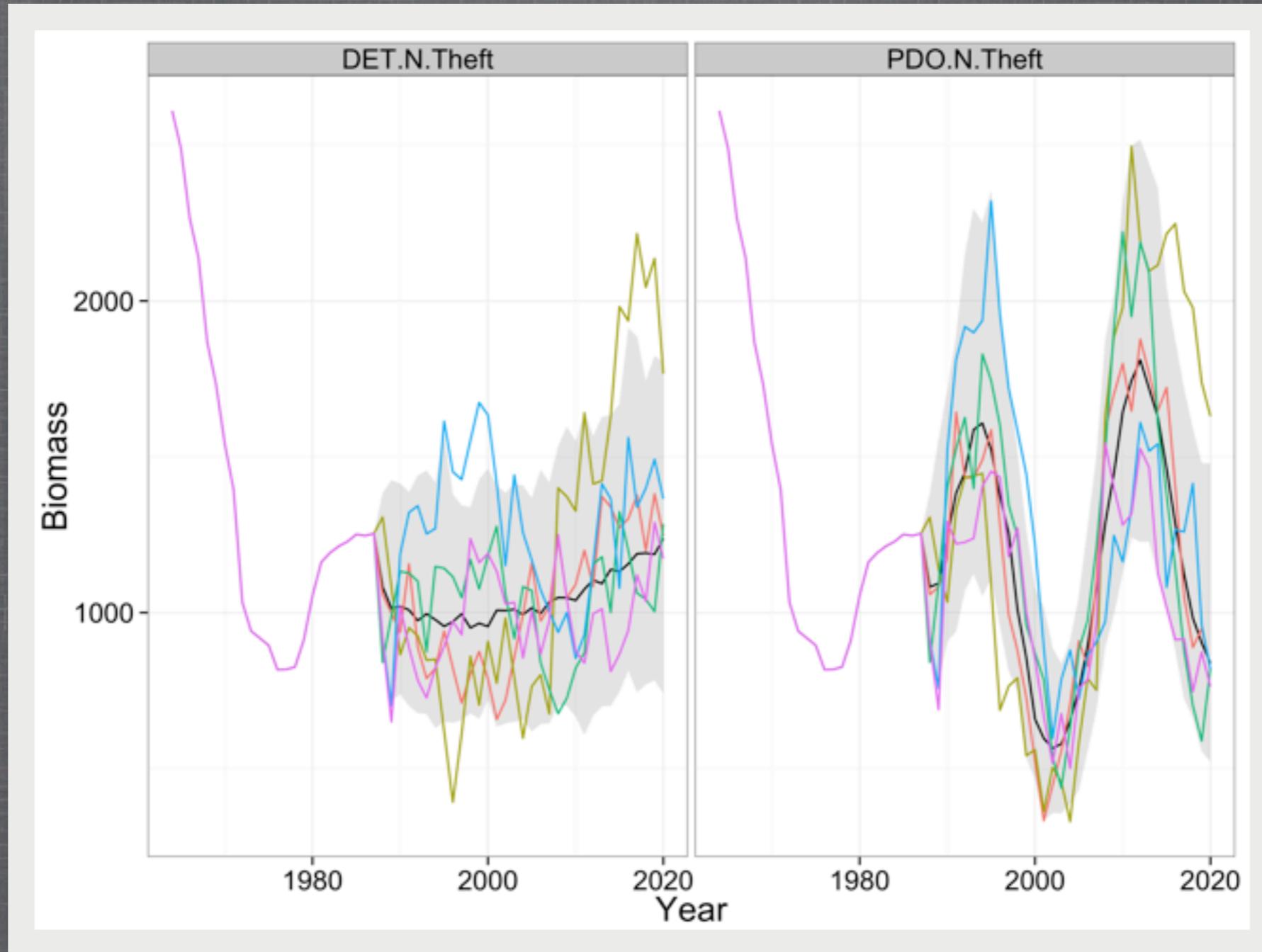


Chris wants to pave a  
new way

Banksy

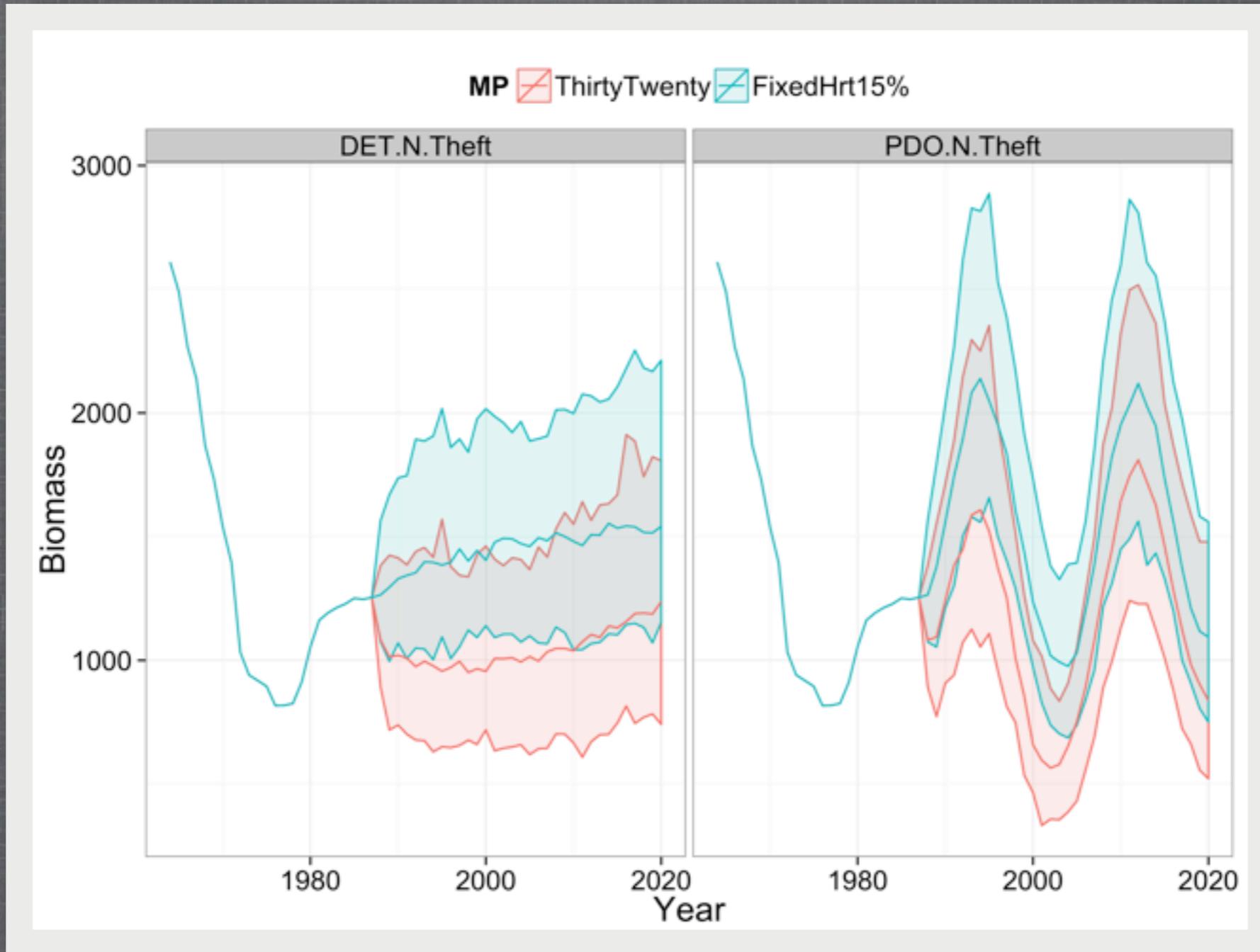
# SPORE MP

Biomass using 30:20 MP



# SPORE MP

Biomass using 30:20 and Sporer MP



# SPORE MP

## Landings



# Average Catch (2000-2015)

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# Average Depletion (2000-2015)

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30:20 HCR	39%	44%
Sporer HCR	57%	58%

# 5-Year AAV in Catch (2000-2015)

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30:20 HCR	16%	45%
Sporer HCR	13%	13%

# Lessons

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- Transition (Adopting the Sporer MP):
  - Implies immediate reductions (~50%) in landings in the first year.
  - Fishery never closes & biomass immediately increases.
  - Reduced variance in annual catch comes with a tradeoff of lowering the total catch.
  - The max 15% change imposes dangerous lags.
  - What about ... ?



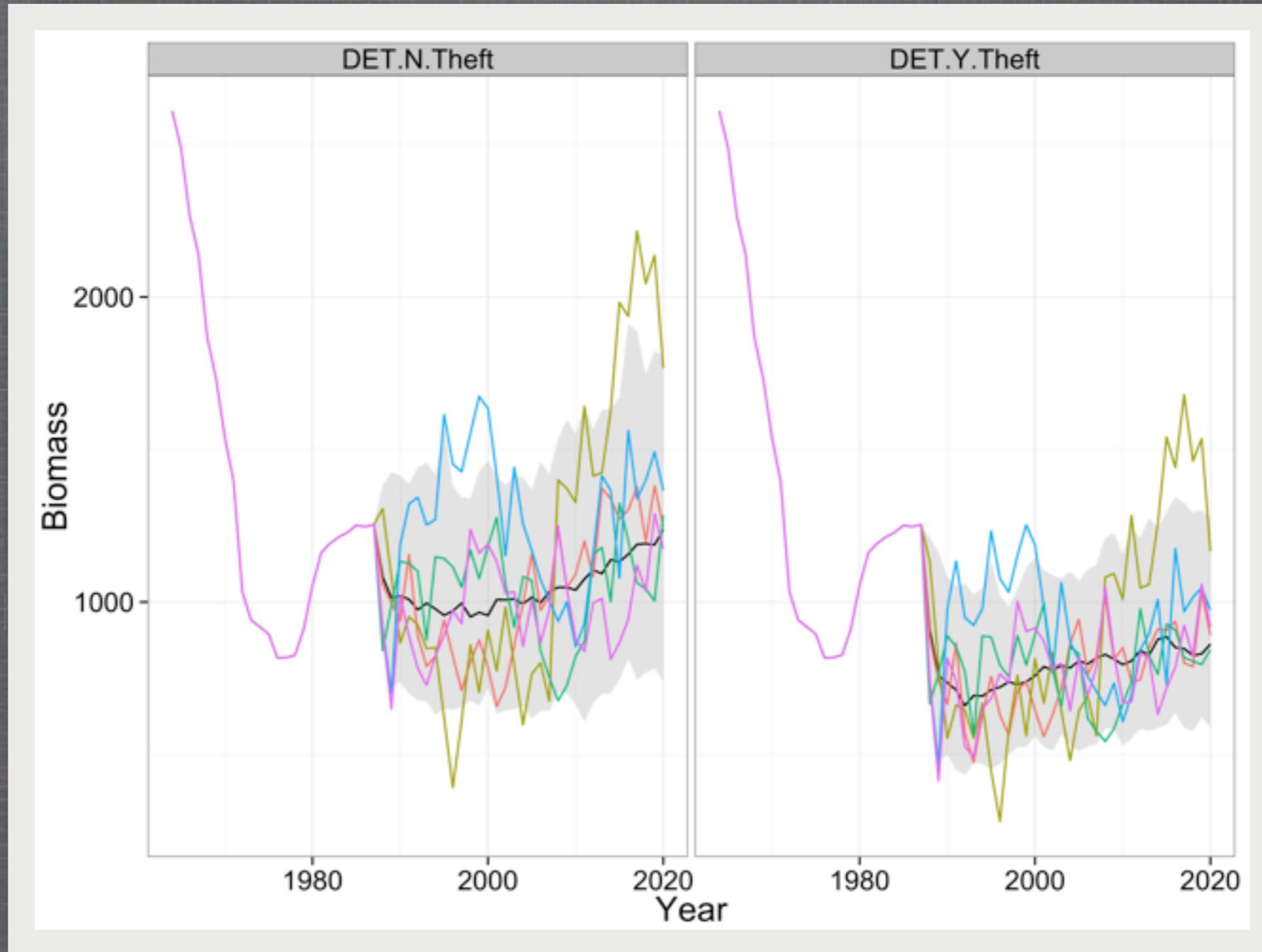
What about other issues  
the analyst is hiding?

Banksy

So, How would the 'Sporer Procedure' perform if the catch accounting system was missing a significant amount of halibut?

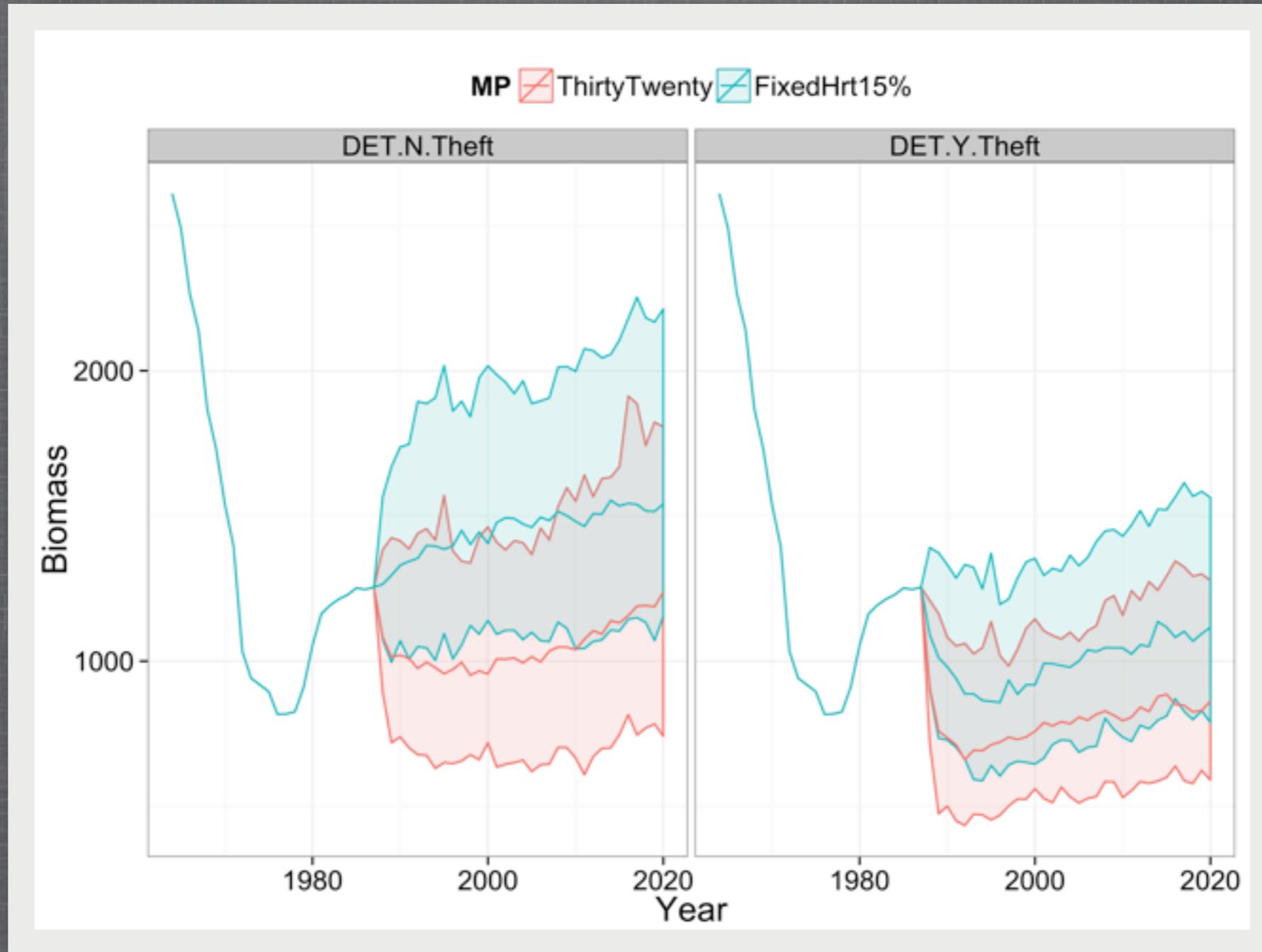
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Biomass with 30:20 HCR



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Biomass with 30:20 and Sporer HCR



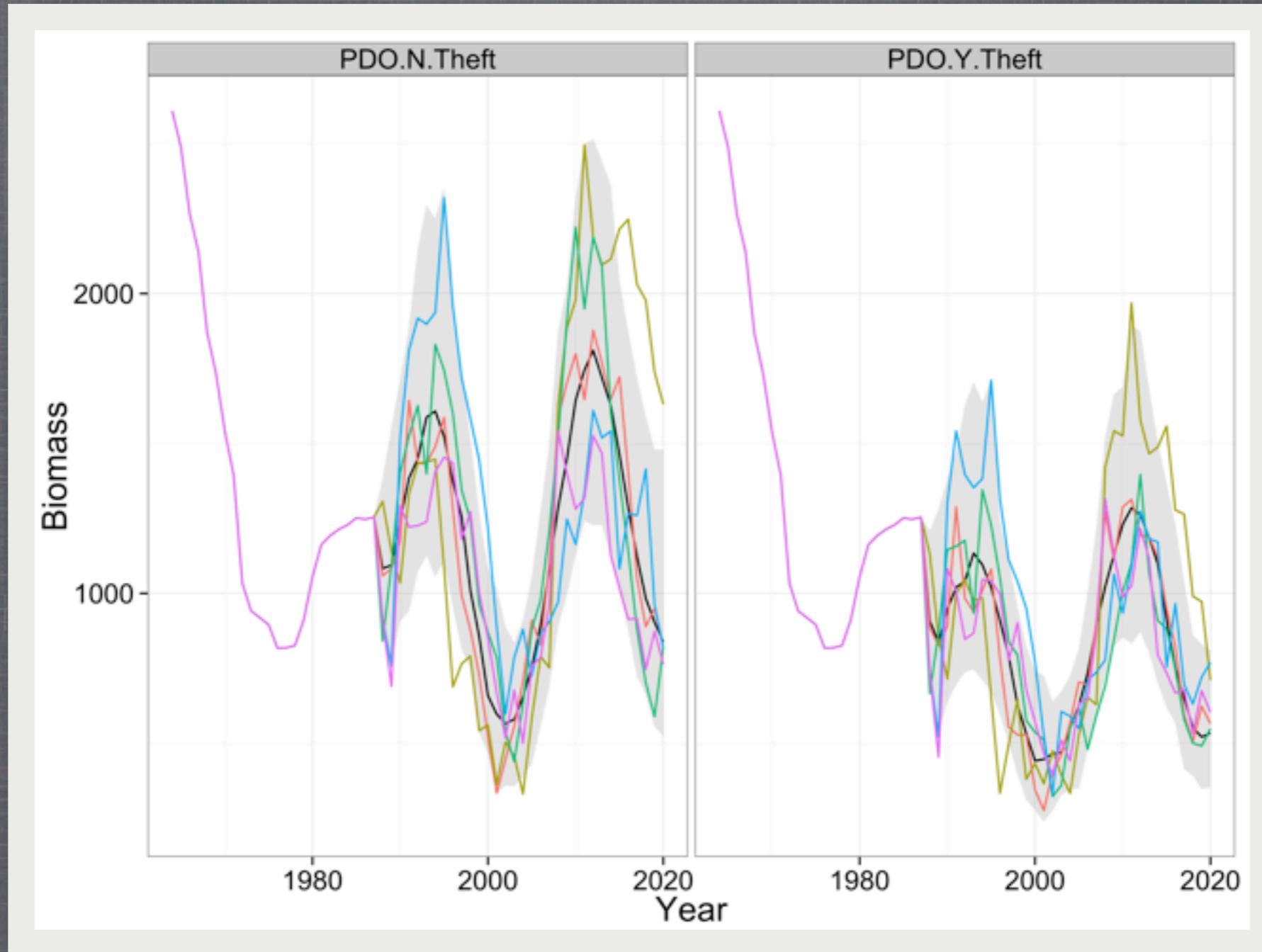
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## Landings



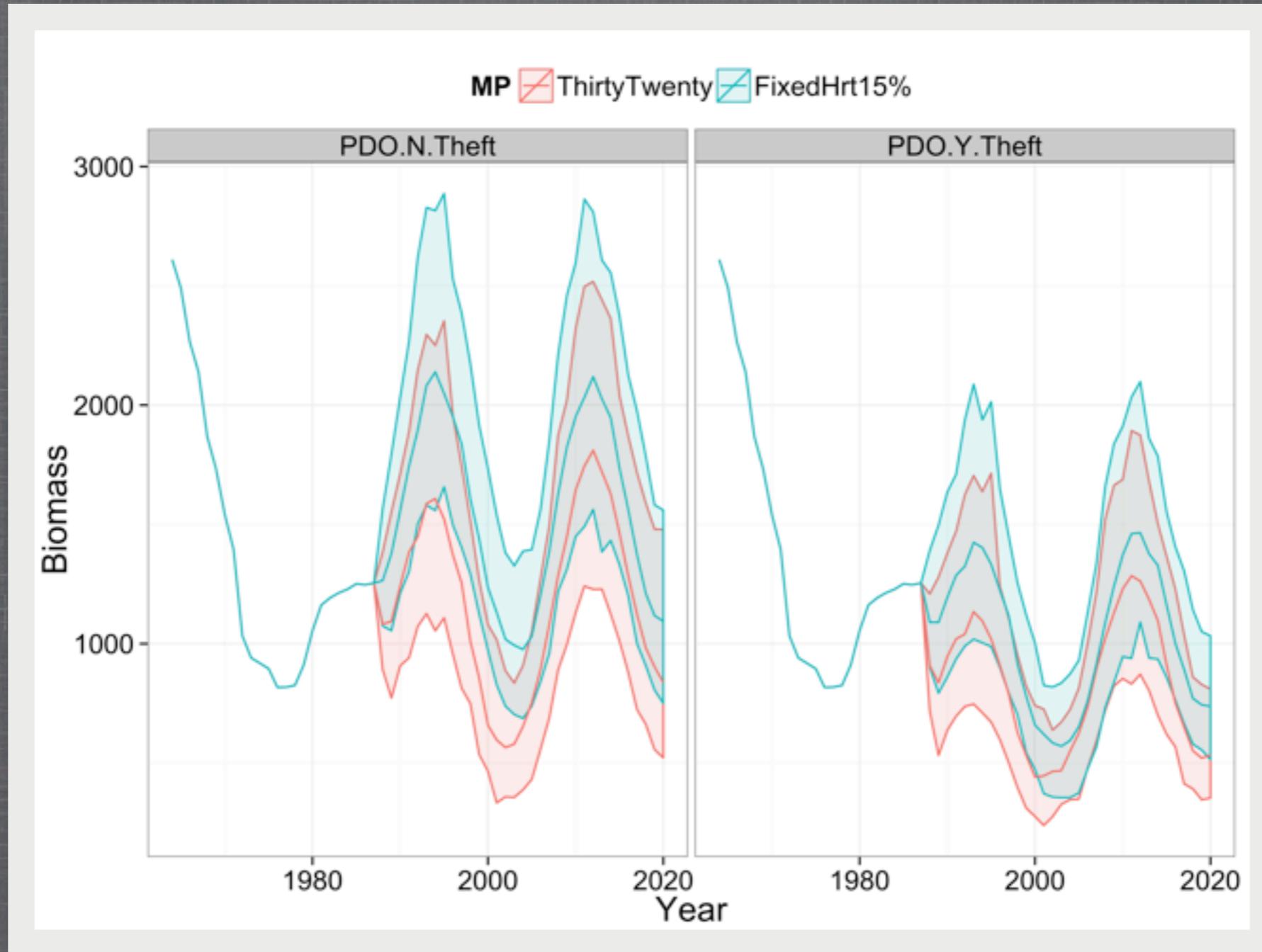
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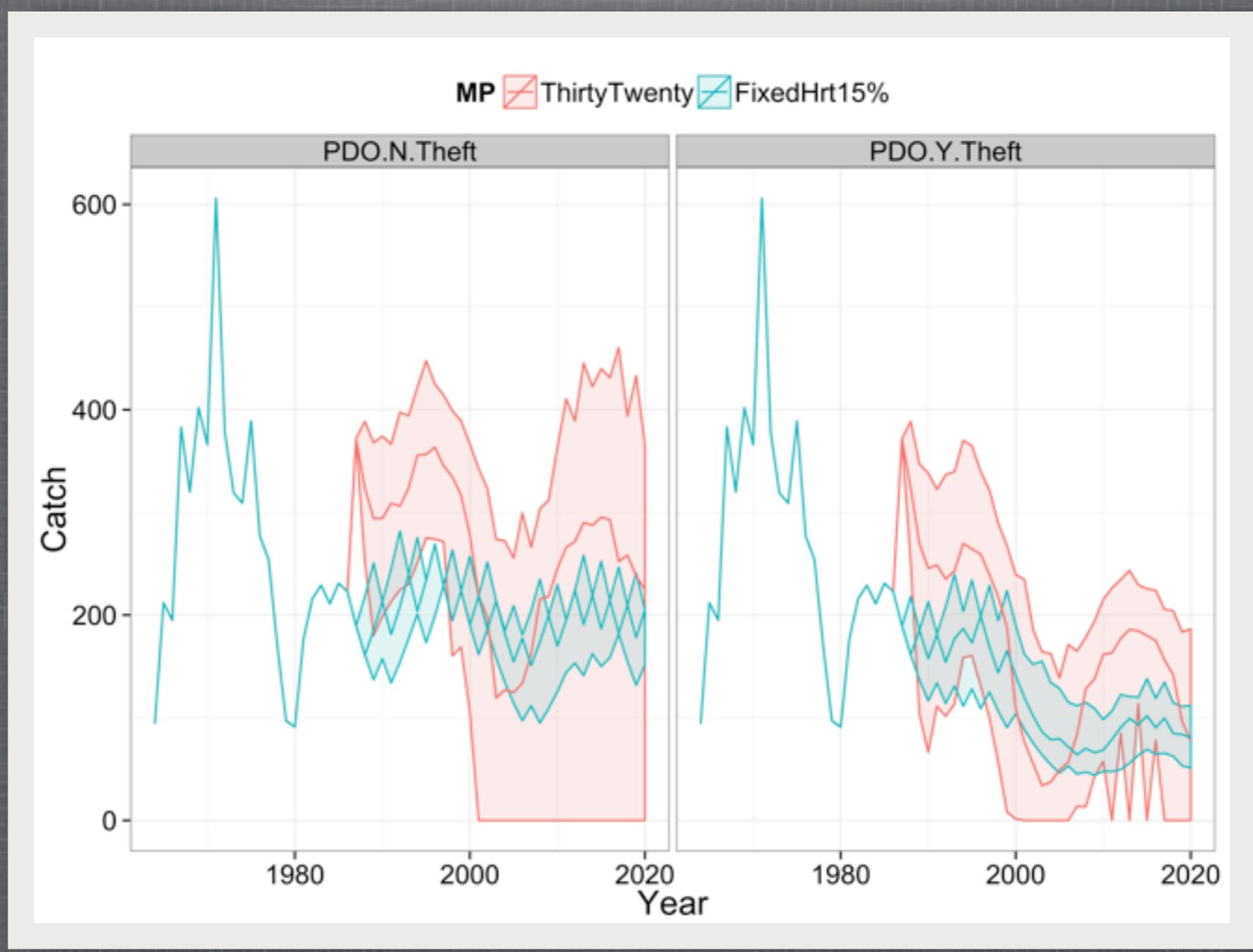
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Biomass with 30:20 and Sporer HCR



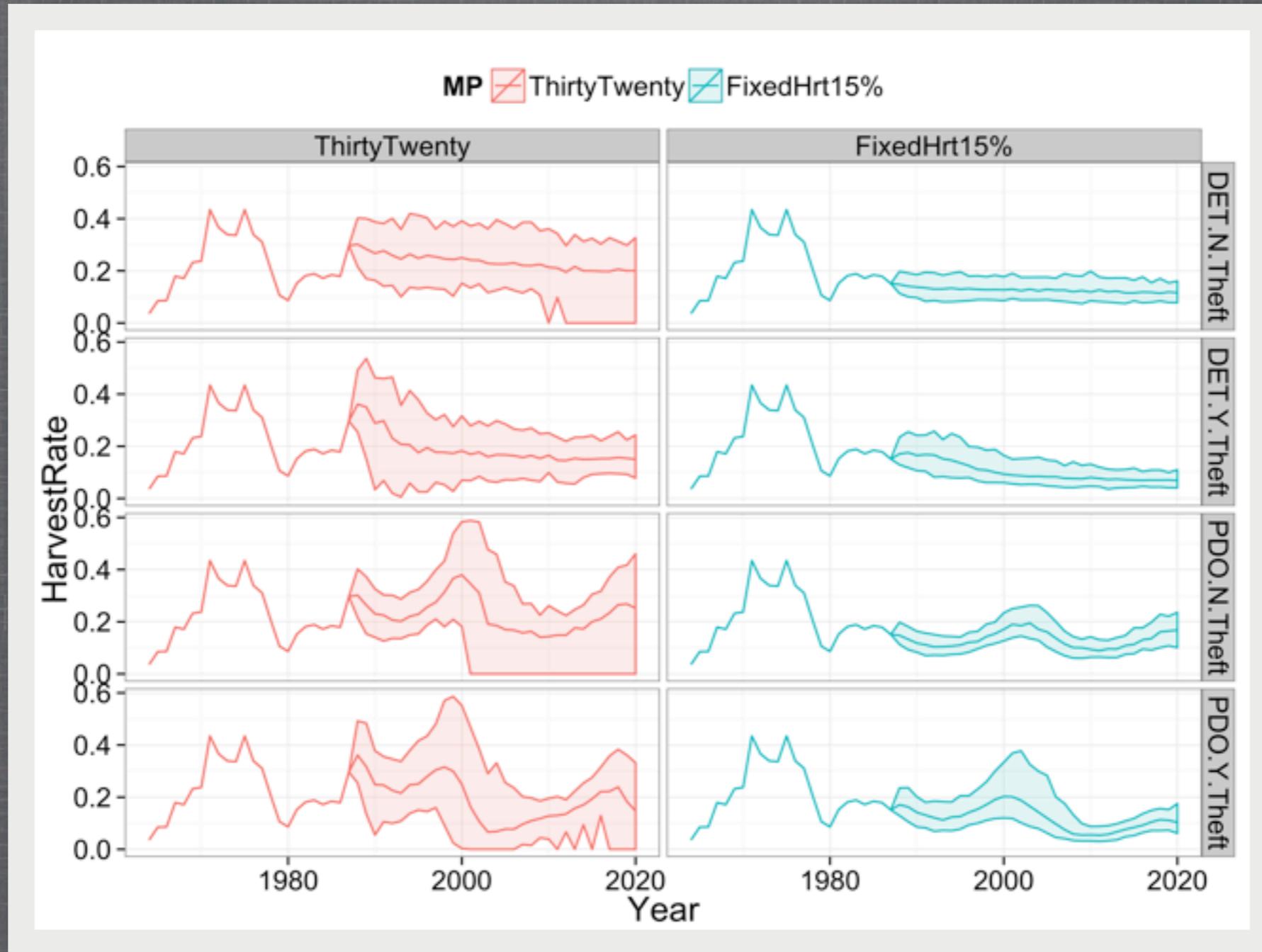
# PDO OM

## Landings



# HARVEST RATE

(Catch / Biomass)



# Average Catch (2000-2015)

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	Determ. Scenario No Theft	Determ. Scenario w Theft	PDO Scenario No Theft	PDO Scenario w Theft	
30:20 HCR	240.88	136.87	217.73	111.64	
Sporer HCR	189.03	86.02	189.53	88.23	

# Average Catch (2000-2015)

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*Which Scenario is right?*

# Average Catch (2000-2015)

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30:20 HCR	240.88	136.87	217.73	111.64	176.88
Sporer HCR	189.03	86.02	189.53	88.23	138.20

# Average Depletion (2000-2015)

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	Determ. Scenario No Theft	Determ. Scenario w Theft	PDO Scenario No Theft	PDO Scenario w Theft	<u>Average</u>
30:20 HCR	39%	31%	44%	32%	36%
Sporer HCR	57%	39%	58%	37%	48%

# 5-Year AAV in Catch (2000-2015)

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	Determ. Scenario No Theft	Determ. Scenario w Theft	PDO Scenario No Theft	PDO Scenario w Theft	<u>Average</u>
30:20 HCR	16%	21%	45%	41%	31%
Sporer HCR	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%

# 2-minute drill

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- Write down which procedure ('Sporer' or current IPHC 30:20) you would pick, and at least two reasons why it is preferable.

Person with the correct answer gets a free lunch!

This discussion is why we must articulate objectives!

# Tools for examining heaps of simulated output

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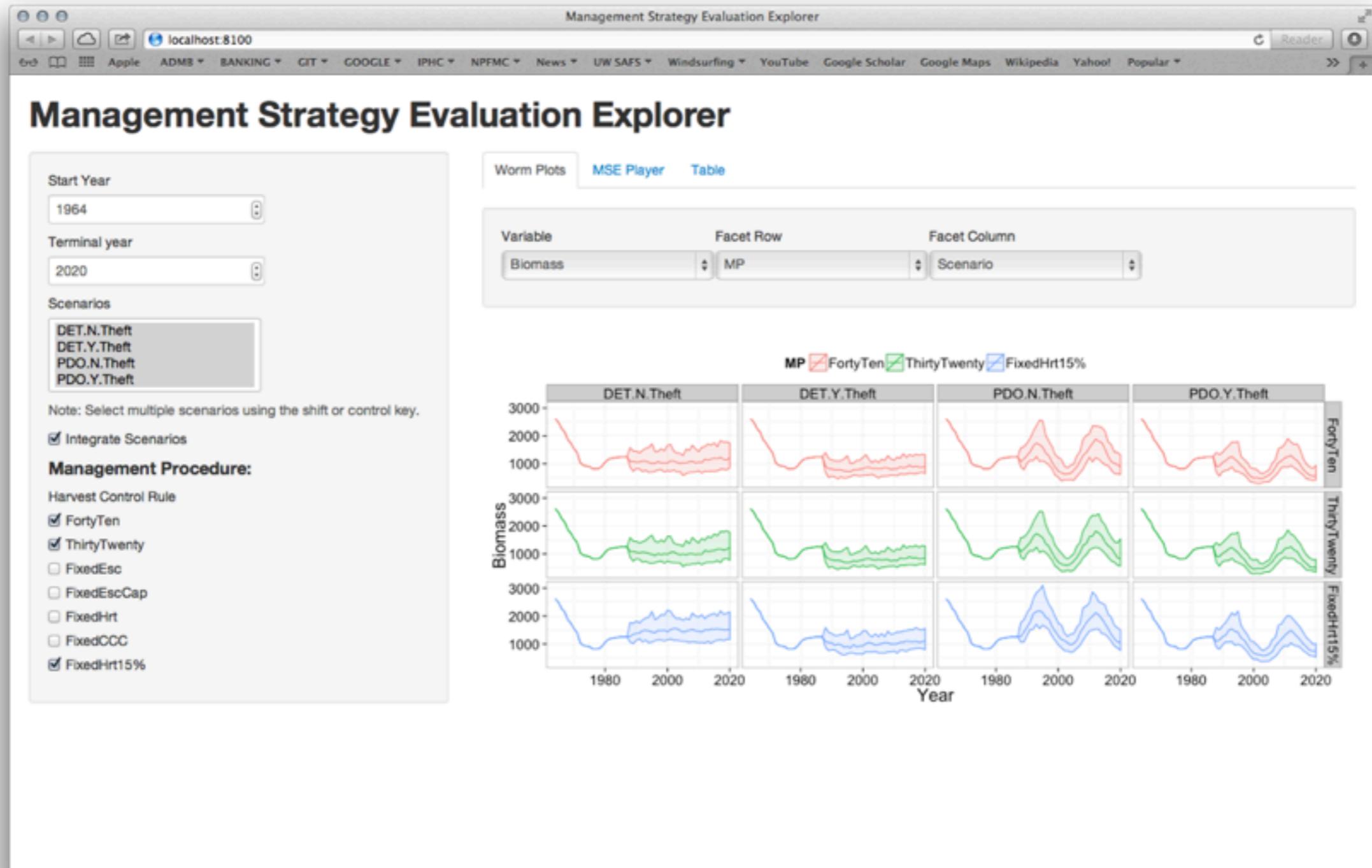
- A major difficulty with MSE is dealing with the permutations & combinations (combinatorics) of Management Procedures, Scenarios, and Performance metrics.
- We are working on an interactive web-site that allows users to compare the combinatorics.

# Statistics for this MSE Demo

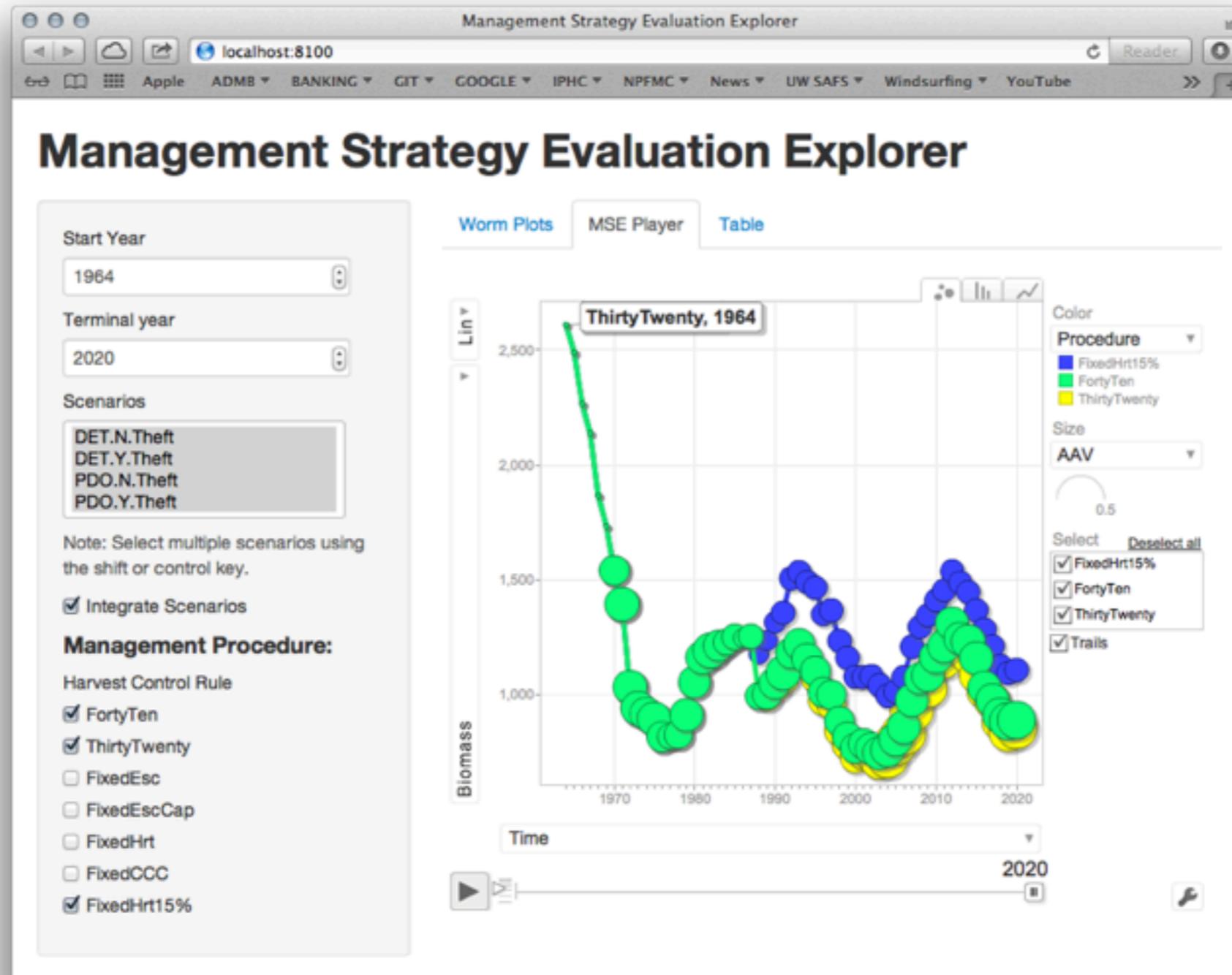
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- # of Scenarios = 4
- # of Realizations = 100
- # of Management Procedures = 7
- # of assessments per realization = 36
- Average # of function evaluations per assessment = 201
- Total # of function evaluations 20,260,800
- Total runtime is roughly 21 minutes

# Worm plots by MP & Scenario



# Dynamic Motion Charts



# Summary Tables

Management Strategy Evaluation Explorer

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## Management Strategy Evaluation Explorer

Worm Plots MSE Player **Table**

Start Year  
1964

Terminal year  
2020

Scenarios

- DET.N.Theft
- DET.Y.Theft
- PDO.N.Theft
- PDO.Y.Theft

Note: Select multiple scenarios using the shift or control key.

Integrate Scenarios

**Management Procedure:**

Harvest Control Rule

- FortyTen
- ThirtyTwenty
- FixedEsc
- FixedEscCap
- FixedHrt
- FixedCCC
- FixedHrt15%

### Average Depletion

MP	DET.N.Theft	DET.Y.Theft	PDO.N.Theft	PDO.Y.Theft	(all)
1 FortyTen	0.46	0.40	0.49	0.41	0.44
2 ThirtyTwenty	0.45	0.40	0.49	0.41	0.44
3 FixedHrt15%	0.55	0.44	0.57	0.45	0.50

### Average Catch

MP	DET.N.Theft	DET.Y.Theft	PDO.N.Theft	PDO.Y.Theft	(all)
1 FortyTen	253.57	192.99	261.00	204.82	228.09
2 ThirtyTwenty	259.12	203.80	266.61	209.61	234.78
3 FixedHrt15%	218.82	170.36	227.57	179.64	199.10

### 5-year Average Annual Catch Variation

MP	DET.N.Theft	DET.Y.Theft	PDO.N.Theft	PDO.Y.Theft	(all)
1 FortyTen	0.19	0.18	0.25	0.20	0.21
2 ThirtyTwenty	0.18	0.20	0.27	0.23	0.22
3 FixedHrt15%	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14

# Demo MSEE

Yes it will even work on your ipad, or PC tablet, probably your android phone as well, but I haven't tried.

<http://192.168.100.48:3838/QDF/>