

# Implications of how the competition term is implemented in MARAM/IWS/DEC16/Hake Pred/P2

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Some equations from Appendix A of MARAM/IWS/DEC16/Hake Pred/P2 are repeated here to illustrate the implications of the way in which the ‘‘competition’’ term limiting the predation mortality rate has been implemented.

## 1 Hake prey

Then the total predation rate on these particular prey is:

$$P_{saym} = \sum_{s_p, a_p} V_{saym}^{s_p a_p} \quad (1)$$

where  $V_{saym}^{s_p a_p}$  is modelled here by a Holling Type II functional form:

$$V_{saym}^{s_p a_p} = \tilde{N}_{ym}^{s_p a_p} \gamma_{sa}^{s_p a_p} \frac{\nu_s^{s_p} \theta^{s_p a_p}}{1 + \sum_s \tilde{\nu}_s^{s_p} \Phi_{sym}^{s_p a_p} + \tilde{\nu}_{other}^{s_p} O_{other}^{s_p a_p}} \quad (2)$$

$\nu_s^{s_p}$ ,  $\tilde{\nu}_s^{s_p}$  and  $\tilde{\nu}_{other}^{s_p}$  are estimable parameters.

The number of hake prey of species  $s$  and age  $a$  consumed in month  $m$  of year  $y$  by predators of species  $s_p$  and age  $a_p$  is given by:

$$E_{saym}^{s_p a_p} = V_{saym}^{s_p a_p} N_{saym} \frac{(1 - e^{-Z_{saym}})}{Z_{saym}} \quad (3)$$

Finally, the mass of hake of species  $s$  consumed in year  $y$  by predators of species  $s_p$  and age  $a_p$  is given by:

$$Q_{sym}^{s_p a_p} = V_{saym}^{s_p a_p} \left( \sum_{\tilde{a}=12a}^{12a+11} \tilde{N}_{s\tilde{a}ym} w_{s\tilde{a}} \right) \frac{(1 - e^{-Z_{saym}})}{Z_{saym}} \quad (4)$$

The term  $\sum_{\tilde{a}=12a}^{12a+11} \tilde{N}_{s\tilde{a}ym} w_{s\tilde{a}}$  is the total weight of prey taking their individual weight by age in months into account.

## 2 Other prey

Let the total mortality rate for other prey be given by:

$$Z_{other,ym}^{s_p a_p} = M_{other}^{basal}/12 + P_{other,ym} \quad (5)$$

where

$M_{other}^{basal}$  is the basal mortality rate for the other prey, fixed at 0.2 p.a., and  
 $P_{other,ym}$  is the predation mortality on other prey due to hake predators, given by: 1

$$P_{other,ym} = \sum_{s_p, a_p} V_{other,ym}^{s_p a_p} \quad (6)$$

$V_{other,ym}^{s_p a_p}$  is the mortality of other prey due to hake predators of species  $s_p$  and age  $a_p$  in month  $m$  of year  $y$ , also modelled by a Holling Type II functional form:

$$V_{other,ym}^{s_p a_p} = \tilde{N}_{ym}^{s_p a_p} \frac{\nu_{other}^{s_p} \theta^{s_p a_p}}{1 + \sum_s \tilde{\nu}_s^{s_p} \Phi_{sym}^{s_p a_p} + \tilde{\nu}_{other}^{s_p} O_{other}^{s_p a_p}} \quad (7)$$

The mass of other prey consumed in year  $y$  by predators of species  $s_p$  and age  $a_p$  is then given by:

$$Q_{other,ym}^{s_p a_p} = V_{other,ym}^{s_p a_p} \tilde{O}_{other}^{s_p, a_p} \frac{(1 - e^{-Z_{other,ym}})}{Z_{other,ym}} \quad (8)$$

$\tilde{O}_{other}^{s_p, a_p}$  is a measure of the **mass** of the other prey available to a hake predator of species  $s_p$ .

### 3 $P_{lim}$ constraint

The section of code implementing the  $P_{lim}$  constraint is reproduced below.

```

Plim=0.06;
for(s=1;s<=2;s++){
  for(at=amin;at<=max_a_max;at++){
    Calc_V();
    P(s,year,m,at)=sum(V(year,m,s,at));
    if(P(s,year,m,at)<0.9*Plim){
      P(s,year,m,at)=P(s,year,m,at);
    }else if(P(s,year,m,at)>=0.9*Plim&P(s,year,m,at)<=1.1*Plim){
      P(s,year,m,at)=P(s,year,m,at)-(2.5/Plim)*(P(s,year,m,at)-0.9*Plim)*(P(s,year,m,at)-0.9*Plim);
    }else{
      P(s,year,m,at)=Plim;
    }
  }
}

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