

Design of Sustainable Quotas for an Hake–Anchovy Peruvian Ecosystem Model

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Anchoveta/Anchovy and Merluza/Hake

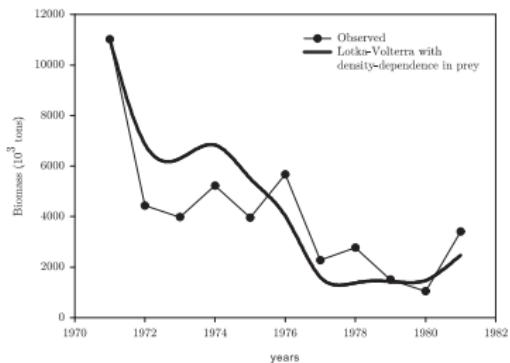


11 years of data from 1971 to 1981

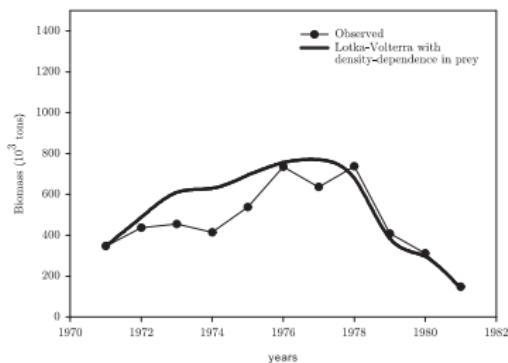
In thousands of tonnes (10^3 tons)

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(c) Anchovy



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Figure: Comparison of observed and simulated biomasses of anchovy and hake using a Lotka–Volterra model with density-dependence in the prey. Model parameters are $R = 2.24$, $L = 0.98$, $\kappa = 64\ 672 \times 10^3$ t ($K = 35\ 800 \times 10^3$ t), $\alpha = 1.230 \times 10^{-6}$ t $^{-1}$, $\beta = 4.326 \times 10^{-8}$ t $^{-1}$.

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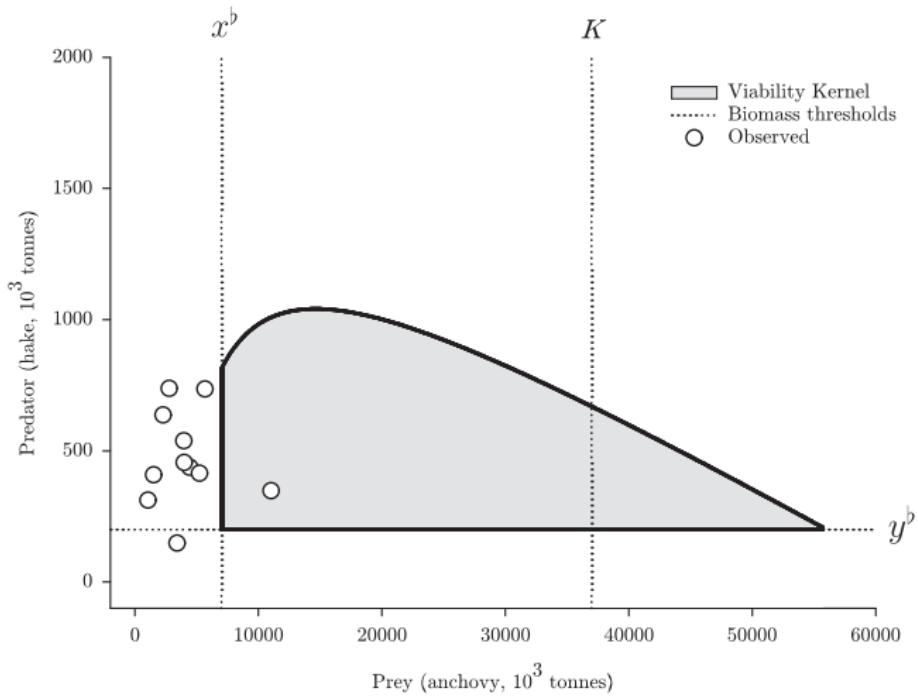
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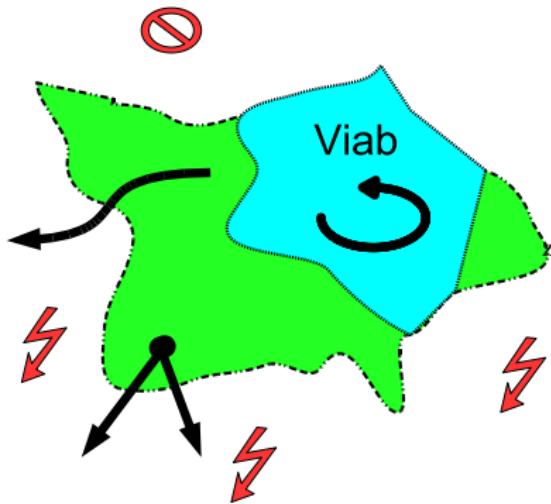


Figure: The state constraint set is the large set. It includes the smaller viability kernel.

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