Statistical techniques for stock assessments fish610.055 Fisheries and ecosystem models

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Biological models

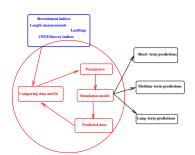
- Conceptual model of biology
- Mathematical description of the model
- Population models: Usually a forward prediction model
- Growth etc: Mathematical description of process
- Remember: Parsimony!

Formal statistical procedures

Model contains parameters

Model predicts data

Parameters are estimated by fitting model to data



Population models

Some basic population model types:

- Equilibrium bulk biomass/production model
- Dynamic bulk biomass model
- Dynamic age structured production model
- Back-calculation model