# Detailed Methodology and Results for the Final Reference Set of the South African Merluccius paradoxus and M. capensis Resources for Use in OMP Testing 

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#### Abstract

This document gives detailed methodology, data and results for the final Reference Set for the joint assessment of the South African M. paradoxus and M. capensis resources that will be used in OMP testing.


The Reference Set aims to take account of the factors that account for most of the uncertainty regarding the key considerations of resource status and productivity. This is achieved by including variations around four aspects of the assessment:
M. Natural mortality:

M1: upper bounds of 0.5 and 0.3 on ages 2 and $5 / 5+$ respectively are implemented;
M4: upper bounds of 1.0 and 0.5 on ages 2 and $5 / 5+$ respectively are implemented.
C. Species split of the catch (see below for further explanation):

C3a: the logistic function used to split the pre-1978 offshore commercial catches by species has the parameters $P_{1}=1950$ and $P_{2}=1.5$;
C3b: the logistic function used to split the pre-1978 offshore commercial catches by species has the parameters $P_{1}=1940$ and $P_{2}=1.5$;
C3c: the logistic function used to split the pre-1978 offshore commercial catches by species has the parameters $P_{1}=1957$ and $P_{2}=1.5$.
[Note that scenarios which assume that the proportion of $M$. capensis in recent catches to have been negatively biased, previously named C6, will now be named C6a, b and cas corresponding equivalents to the above.]
H. Steepness parameter:

H1: the steepness parameters ( $h$ ) for both $M$. capensis and M. paradoxus are estimated in the minimisation process;
H2: for M. paradoxus, $h$ is fixed at 0.8 (lower than the 0.95 typically estimated), while this parameter is estimated for M. capensis;
H3: for M. capensis, $h$ is fixed at 0.7 (lower than the $0.8-0.9$ typically estimated), while this parameter is estimated for M. paradoxus;
H4: for M. paradoxus, $h$ is fixed at 0.8 , and for M. capensis, $h$ is fixed at 0.7 .

## SR. Recent stock-recruitment residuals:

SR1: $\sigma_{R}=0.25$ throughout the period;
SR2: $\sigma_{R}=0.25$ from the beginning of the fishery to 2000 and then decreases linearly to 0.1 in 2004.

## 1. Data

The tables of data used are given in Appendix A.

### 1.1 Total catches

The South African hake stocks are fished by four fleets: the offshore trawl fleet and the longline fleet operate on both the south and west coasts, while the inshore trawl fleet and the handline fleet operate on the south coast only. The annual catches by mass assumed for each fleet and coast are given in Table A. 1 for the period 1917 to 2004. A summary of the assumptions made to disaggregate the catches by species and fleet for the Reference Case is given below.
a) Offshore trawl fleet:

1978-2004:
The catches made by the offshore trawl fleet have been split by species by applying the size-based species proportion-by-depth relationships for the west and south coasts developed by Gaylard and Bergh (2004). This series is used as input for scenarios C3a-c. For scenarios C6-a-c, the assumption is made that the proportions of $M$. capensis in recent catches have been negatively biased. This constant bias is introduced as an error on $d_{s}^{*}$ (see equations 2 and 3 of Glazer, 2005).

## 1917-1977:

Prior to 1978 , there is no depth information recorded for the landings so that the proportion of $M$. capensis caught cannot be estimated using the method above. Previously, the proportion over the 19171977 period has been assumed to equal the average that pertained over the 1978-1982 in splitting the catches for these years. In this paper, the catch data for the 1917-1977 period are split by assuming that the proportion of $M$. capensis caught follows a logistic function over this period, starting at 1 and then decreasing to stabilise at the 1978-1982 average value. Indeed, trawling was concentrated in inshore areas around Cape Town when the fishery began (i.e. probably catching M. capensis exclusively) and progressively moved offshore, so that this seems a more defensible approach. The proportion of $M$. capensis in the offshore trawl catch in year $y$ on coast $c$ is thus given by:

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\begin{equation*}
\text { prop }_{c y}^{\text {prop }}=\frac{1-\Delta_{c}}{1+\exp \left[\left(y-P_{1}\right) / P_{2}\right]}+\Delta_{c} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
$\Delta_{c}$ is the average proportion of $M$. capensis in the offshore catch over the 1978-1982 period for coast $c$ ( $24 \%$ and $60 \%$ on the west and south coasts respectively for scenarios C3a-c, and $30 \%$ and $65 \%$ on the west and south coasts respectively for scenarios C6a-c), and
$P_{1}, P_{2}$ are parameters of the logistic function. Parameter $P_{1}$ is the year in which the proportion of $M$. capensis in the catch is half-way between $100 \%$ and $\Delta_{c}$; while $P_{2}$ defines how rapidly this change in proportion occurs.
The following scenarios have been included in the Reference Set:
C3a (C6a): $P_{1}=1950$ and $P_{2}=1.5$;
C3b (C6b): $P_{1}=1940$ and $P_{2}=1.5$;
C3c (C6c): $P_{l}=1957$ and $P_{2}=1.5$;
The proportion of M. capensis consequently assumed for the offshore trawl catches for scenarios C3a-c and C6a-c is shown in Fig. 1 for the west and for the south coasts.
b) Inshore trawl fleet:

The inshore trawl fleet operates on the south coast only. Catches made by this fleet are assumed to consist of M. capensis only, as it operates in relatively shallow water.

Because fleet-disaggregated catch data are not available prior to 1974, the assumption has been made that the annual catch of the inshore trawl fleet from 1960 to 1973 increased linearly from 1000 t to 5000t, and that the balance of the total catch recorded was taken by the offshore trawl fleet.

## c) Longline fleet:

Longline catches on the west coast are assumed to consist of $30 \%$ M. capensis for the whole period, while on the south coast, catches by this fleet are assumed to consist of M. capensis exclusively.
d) Handline fleet:

The handline fleet operates on the south coast only. As for the inshore fleet, catches made by this fleet are assumed to consist of M. capensis only.

The overall catch in 2004 is taken to be the TAC for that year, with the same proportion of each species as caught by each fleet in 2003 assumed.

### 1.2 Abundance indices

Historic and GLM-standardised CPUE data are given in Table A2. The historic CPUE series cannot be disaggregated by species, as there are no effort-by-depth data available for this pre-1978 period. The GLM standardized CPUE data used for scenarios C3a-c and C6a-c are from Glazer (2005); these are speciesspecific indices (and based also on the new Gaylard and Bergh estimated species-proportion vs. depth relationship).

Survey biomass estimates for the west and south coasts are shown in Table A3 for M. paradoxus and Table A4 for M. capensis.

### 1.3 Catches-at-age

Survey catch-at-age data are shown in Tables A5-A8 for $M$. paradoxus and in Tables A9-A13 for M. capensis.

Commercial catches-at-age for the offshore (both coasts combined) and for the inshore and longline (south coast only) fleets are shown in Table A14-A16. They cannot be split by species on an age-basis, but this is not a problem for the south coast inshore and longline fleets as their catches are assumed to consist of $M$. capensis only.

## 2. Methods

The model used in this analysis is an Age-Structured Production Model (ASPM) and is described in detail in Appendix B. This includes a new method introduced to model CPUE series based upon species-aggregated catches - see equations B14-20.

A summary of the specifications for each species for the Reference Case assessment is given below.

### 2.1 M. paradoxus

a) Plus-group:

Age 15 is used as the plus-group.

## b) Natural mortality:

$M_{a}$ is taken to be age-dependent $\left(M_{a}\right)$ (with the form of equation as shown in B33). Upper bounds of 0.5 and 0.3 on ages 2 and 5 respectively are implemented for scenario M1 of the Reference Set, while upper bounds of 1.0 and 0.5 on ages 2 and 5 respectively are implemented for scenario M4 of the Reference Set. As there are not enough data to inform on the natural mortalities at ages above 5 for $M$. paradoxus, the natural mortality estimated for age 5 for M. paradoxus is assumed to apply to older ages as well.

## c) Commercial selectivity-at-age:

The selectivities of the offshore and longline fleet (the two fleets assumed to catch M. paradoxus) take the form of a logistic curve (equation B35). As there is no information on the age-structure of the longline catches of M. paradoxus alone, the selectivity of the longline fleet for M. paradoxus is assumed to be of the same form as the longline selectivity for $M$. capensis (which can be estimated from the south coast longline catches-at-age - assumed to be M. capensis only). The selectivity for the longline fleet is assumed to be flat for older ages.

This assessment makes use of the offshore species-combined catch-at-age data (ignored in previous speciesdisaggregated assessments), so that if the selectivity of one of the species is known, the selectivity of the other species can be estimated. In this case, an assumption is made for the offshore selectivity for $M$. capensis (see below), and therefore the offshore selectivity for $M$. paradoxus can be estimated directly. Periods of fixed and changing selectivity have been assumed to take account for the change in the selectivity at low ages over time in the commercial catches, likely due to the phasing out of net liners. The first selectivity period is from 1917 to 1976 and with selectivities set equal to their 1989 values, as the use of net liners after 1976 would have caused a shift towards catching smaller fish. The second selectivity period is from 1977 to 1984 and the third from 1993 to the present, with the selectivities in the 1985-1992 period assumed to vary linearly between these 1984 and 1993 values. The offshore trawl selectivity is assumed to decrease exponentially from age 3 (equation B36), with a slope parameter estimated in the model fitting procedure. This exponential decrease is assumed to continue to age 15.

## d) Survey selectivity-at-age

Because there are no catch-at-age data available from the west coast winter survey, the same selectivity is assumed to apply to both the summer and winter west coast surveys (conducted by the Africana). A separate selectivity function is estimated for the Nansen west coast summer survey. On the south coast, a single selectivity function is estimated for the spring and south coast surveys. The survey selectivities are estimated directly for each age.

An exponential decrease in selectivity is assumed from age 5 for M. paradoxus with the slope parameter fixed at 0.5 . This value has been computed roughly from the average (over surveys and scenarios) decrease from age 4 to 5 for M. paradoxus estimated in scenarios C3 of Rademeyer and Butterworth (2005).

## e) Stock-recruitment residuals

The residuals are assumed not to be serially correlated, i.e., $\rho=0$. They are estimated from year 1985 to 2004. For scenario SR1 of the Reference Set, the variability level $\sigma_{R}$ is fixed at 0.25 throughout the period. Scenario SR1 shows strong recruitment of M. paradoxus for the last two years. This signal is partly based on the catch-at-age information from the more recent surveys, but because of the change in gear on the Africana, and consequently a possible change in selectivity of the surveys, one cannot be entirely confident that this signal is quantitatively reliable. For this reason, scenario SR2 sets a limit on the recent recruitment fluctuations by having the $\sigma_{R}$ decreasing linearly from 0.25 in 2000 to 0.1 in 2004, effectively forcing the last three years of recruitment closer towards the stock-recruitment relationship curve.

### 2.2 M. capensis

a)Plus-group:

Age 15 is used as the plus-group.

## b) Natural mortality:

$M_{a}$ is taken to be age-dependent $\left(M_{a}\right)$ (with the form of equation B33). Scenarios M1 and M4 are as described for M. paradoxus above. The natural mortality estimated for age 7 for M. capensis is assumed to apply to older ages as well.

## b) Commercial selectivity-at-age:

The selectivity patterns characterising each of the four fleets (offshore, inshore, longline and handline) all take the form of a logistic curve. For the inshore fleet, the selectivity is allowed to decrease exponentially from age 5, as this fleet does not fully select older fish because the distribution of hake extends deeper than its area of operation. This exponential decrease, which is estimated in the model fitting procedure is assumed to continue to age 15 .
The selectivity for the offshore fleet for $M$. capensis is assumed to vary in the same way as for $M$. paradoxus; the selectivity over the 1977-1984 period is as the selectivity over the post-1993 period but shifted to the left by the same amount as the M. paradoxus selectivity, while the selectivity over the pre- 1977 period is as the selectivity over the post-1993 period but shifted to the left by half the difference between the 1984 and 1993 selectivities. The selectivity post-1993 is assumed to be as that for the inshore fleet but shifted one year of age to the right (i.e. $a_{\text {cap,off }}^{c}=a_{\text {cap,insh }}^{c}+1$ in equation B35) and with a flat selectivity for older ages.

Because the longline fishery targets principally older fish, the selectivity for that fleet is also assumed to be flat for older ages. Furthermore, the selectivity indicated by a logistic curve is multiplied by a factor $\lambda$ for ages $\leq 4$. Indeed, the selectivity for this fleet and these ages is so low that it is not adequately represented by a logistic curve. The parameter $\lambda$ is treated as another estimable parameter in the likelihood maximisation process.

As is the case for the offshore fleet, there are no catch-at-age data available to estimate a selectivity vector for the handline fleet, so the assumption is made that the selectivity for this fleet is intermediate between the inshore trawl and longline selectivities (i.e. the average of the two $a_{s f}^{c}$ and $\delta_{s f}^{c}$ - see equation B35-is assumed to apply). The selectivity is allowed to decrease exponentially from age 5 . This exponential decrease, which is taken as half of that of the inshore fleet is assumed to continue to age 15 .

## c) Survey selectivity-at-age

A different survey selectivity is estimated for each of the three survey series on the west coast, while on the south coast a single selectivity is estimated. The survey selectivities are estimated separately for each age.
An exponential decrease in selectivity is assumed from age 7 for $M$. capensis with the slope parameter fixed at 1.0. This value has been computed roughly from the average (over surveys and scenarios) decrease from age 6 to 7 for M. capensis estimated in scenarios C3 of Rademeyer and Butterworth (2005).

## d) Stock-recruitment residuals

For simplicity, the residuals are assumed not to be serially correlated, i.e., $\rho=0$. They are estimated from year 1985 to 2004. Scenarios SR1 and SR2 are as described for M. paradoxus above.

## 3. Results and Discussion

The overall average and range of estimates of management quantities for the Reference Set are shown in Table 1, while Table 2 gives the average over the individual factors ( $\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}$ and SR ). The full set of results are given in Tables C1 and C2 of Appendix C. Fig. 2 plots the corresponding biomass trajectories, focusing on the median, maximum and minimum values for each year. Fig. 3 shows the survey and commercial fishing selectivities. Trajectories of fishing mortality for each fleet are plotted in Fig. 4 for the fully selected age-class (i.e. with selectivity of 1).

Trajectories of spawning biomass (M. paradoxus and M. capensis separately), offshore trawler exploitable biomass (species combined - a proxy for offshore trawler CPUE) and total catch are plotted for a fixed future catch scenario with the total catch staying at the current level of $150000 t$. For each plot, the median is indicated by a thick dotted line, the $90^{\text {th }}$ percentiles are shaded, and the same ten (randomly selected) individual biomass and catch realisations are plotted. For comparison purposes, similar median trajectories of resource abundance and catch are plotted for three fixed future catch scenarios (142000t, 150000 t and 158 $000 t$ ) for the Reference Set.

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Table 1: Average and range in parenthesis of estimates of management quantities of the M. paradoxus and M. capensis coast-combined resources over 48 cases in the Reference Set. MSY and associated quantities are given in relation to the selectivity for the offshore fleet.


Table 2: Averages over individual factors of estimates of management quantities of the M. paradoxus and M. capensis coast-combined resources for the Reference Set. MSY and associated quantities are given in relation to the selectivity for the offshore fleet.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | M1 | M4 | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 | C3a | C3b | C3c | SR1 | SR2 |
| - $\ln \mathrm{L}$ total |  | -165.5 | -178.8 | -177.7 | -169.9 | -174.7 | -166.3 | -172.0 | -172.1 | -172.4 | -175.3 | -169.0 |
| M. paradoxus | $K^{s p}$ | 2834 | 1186 | 1862 | 2178 | 1843 | 2157 | 2030 | 2043 | 1957 | 2011 | 2009 |
|  | $h$ | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.95 | 0.80 | 0.95 | 0.80 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & M S Y \\ & B^{s p}{ }_{2004} / K^{s p} \\ & B^{s p}{ }_{2004} / M S Y L^{s p} \end{aligned}$ | 161 | 127 | 141 | 148 | 140 | 148 | 145 | 145 | 142 | 144 | 144 |
|  |  | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.11 |
|  |  | 0.41 | 0.62 | 0.45 | 0.59 | 0.45 | 0.59 | 0.51 | 0.50 | 0.55 | 0.52 | 0.52 |
|  |  | 0.50 | 0.99 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
|  |  | 0.50 | 0.99 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
|  | 2 | 0.50 | 0.99 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
|  | 3 | 0.40 | 0.70 | 0.53 | 0.57 | 0.54 | 0.57 | 0.55 | 0.55 | 0.55 | 0.55 | 0.55 |
|  | 4 | 0.34 | 0.53 | 0.41 | 0.46 | 0.41 | 0.46 | 0.43 | 0.43 | 0.44 | 0.43 | 0.43 |
|  | $5+$ | 0.30 | 0.41 | 0.33 | 0.39 | 0.33 | 0.39 | 0.35 | 0.35 | 0.36 | 0.36 | 0.36 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 永 } \\ & \text { E } \\ & \text { B } \\ & \text { B } \\ & \text { B } \end{aligned}$ | $K^{s p}$ | 982 | 641 | 760 | 760 | 874 | 854 | 786 | 786 | 864 | 813 | 811 |
|  | $h$ | 0.82 | 0.77 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.70 | 0.70 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.77 | 0.80 | 0.79 |
|  | MSY | 61 | 73 | 70 | 69 | 66 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 70 | 67 | 67 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & B^{s p}{ }_{2004} / K^{s p} \\ & B^{s p}{ }_{2004} / M S Y L^{s p} \end{aligned}$ | 0.39 | 0.52 | 0.46 | 0.43 | 0.48 | 0.45 | 0.44 | 0.46 | 0.46 | 0.46 | 0.45 |
|  |  | 1.33 | 2.00 | 1.87 | 1.79 | 1.53 | 1.46 | 1.68 | 1.72 | 1.60 | 1.68 | 1.64 |
|  | M 0 | 0.50 | 1.00 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
|  |  | 0.50 | 1.00 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
|  | 1 | 0.50 | 1.00 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | 0.40 | 0.75 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 |
|  | 4 | 0.34 | 0.59 | 0.47 | 0.46 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.46 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.47 |
|  | 5 | 0.30 | 0.49 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 0.40 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 0.39 | 0.40 |
|  | 6 | 0.30 | 0.49 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 0.40 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 0.39 | 0.40 |
|  | $7+$ | 0.30 | 0.49 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 0.40 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 0.39 | 0.40 |
|  | SC survey $q$ | 0.93 | 0.69 | 0.84 | 0.89 | 0.74 | 0.78 | 0.84 | 0.82 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.81 |
| 2004 | species ratio $\quad B^{s p}$ | 1.69 | 2.47 | 2.48 | 1.37 | 2.95 | 1.52 | 1.98 | 2.03 | 2.24 | 2.08 | 2.08 |
|  | $\mathrm{B}^{2+}$ | 1.05 | 1.31 | 1.32 | 0.85 | 1.56 | 0.97 | 1.12 | 1.15 | 1.26 | 1.15 | 1.21 |



Fig. 1: Assumed proportion of M. capensis in the offshore catches for the west coast and south coast for the catch variants C3a, b and c and C6 (see text for details).

Biomass trajectories


Fig. 2: Trajectories of resource abundance for the Reference Set. Resource abundance is expressed in terms of a) spawning biomass, b) spawning biomass as a proportion of its pre-exploitation level, c) exploitable biomass and d) biomass of fish of age 2 and above. The median is indicated by a thick line while the shaded area represents the full uncertainty of the Revised Reference Set (minimum and maximum for each year).


Fig. 3: Estimated survey and commercial fishing selectivities for the Revised Reference Set. The median is indicated by a thick line while the shaded area represents the full uncertainty of the Revised Reference Set (minimum and maximum for each age).


Fig. 4: Trajectories of fishing mortality for a fully selected age-class (i.e. with selectivity of 1) for the Reference Set for each of the four fleets. The median is indicated by a thick line while the shaded area represents the full uncertainty of the Revised Reference Set (minimum and maximum for each year).


Fig. 5: Trajectories of spawning biomass (M. paradoxus and M. capensis separately), offshore trawler exploitable biomass (species combined - a proxy for offshore trawler CPUE) and total catch under a fixed future catch scenario with the total catch staying constant at the current level of 150000 t for the Reference Set. Ten individual trajectories are shown, with the median a dark dotted line; the shaded areas show $90 \%$ probability envelopes.


Fig. 6: Comparison of trajectories of spawning biomass (M. paradoxus and M. capensis separately), offshore trawler exploitable biomass (species combined - a proxy for offshore trawler CPUE) and total catch under three fixed future catch scenarios ( $142000 t, 150000 t$ and $158000 t$ ) for the Reference Set.

## Appendix A - Data Tables

Table A1a: Assumed total annual catches by species for the offshore fleet (for the three different scenarios - assuming different historic species split of the catches) and for the inshore fleet for the period 1917 to 1977 (see Data section of text for details) for the South African hake resource. Catches are given in thousand tons.

| Year | Offshore |  |  |  |  |  | Inshore <br> M. capensis |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | C3a, C6a scenarios |  | C3b, C6b scenarios |  | C3c, C6c scenarios |  |  |
|  | M. paradoxus | M. capensis | M. paradoxus | M. capensis | M. paradoxus | M. capensis |  |
| 1917 |  | 1.000 |  | 1.000 |  | 1.000 |  |
| 1918 |  | 1.100 |  | 1.100 |  | 1.100 |  |
| 1919 |  | 1.900 |  | 1.900 |  | 1.900 |  |
| 1920 |  | 0.000 |  | 0.000 |  | 0.000 |  |
| 1921 |  | 1.300 |  | 1.300 |  | 1.300 |  |
| 1922 |  | 1.000 |  | 1.000 |  | 1.000 |  |
| 1923 |  | 2.500 |  | 2.500 |  | 2.500 |  |
| 1924 |  | 1.500 |  | 1.500 |  | 1.500 |  |
| 1925 |  | 1.900 |  | 1.900 |  | 1.900 |  |
| 1926 |  | 1.400 |  | 1.400 |  | 1.400 |  |
| 1927 |  | 0.800 |  | 0.800 |  | 0.800 |  |
| 1928 |  | 2.600 | 0.001 | 2.599 |  | 2.600 |  |
| 1929 |  | 3.800 | 0.002 | 3.798 |  | 3.800 |  |
| 1930 |  | 4.400 | 0.004 | 4.396 |  | 4.400 |  |
| 1931 |  | 2.800 | 0.005 | 2.795 |  | 2.800 |  |
| 1932 |  | 14.300 | 0.052 | 14.248 |  | 14.300 |  |
| 1933 |  | 11.100 | 0.078 | 11.022 |  | 11.100 |  |
| 1934 |  | 13.800 | 0.188 | 13.612 |  | 13.800 |  |
| 1935 | 0.001 | 14.999 | 0.392 | 14.608 |  | 15.000 |  |
| 1936 | 0.001 | 17.699 | 0.872 | 16.828 |  | 17.700 |  |
| 1937 | 0.003 | 20.197 | 1.826 | 18.374 |  | 20.200 |  |
| 1938 | 0.005 | 21.095 | 3.339 | 17.761 |  | 21.100 |  |
| 1939 | 0.010 | 19.990 | 5.146 | 14.854 |  | 20.000 |  |
| 1940 | 0.028 | 28.572 | 10.847 | 17.753 |  | 28.600 |  |
| 1941 | 0.057 | 30.543 | 15.336 | 15.264 | 0.001 | 30.599 |  |
| 1942 | 0.126 | 34.374 | 20.709 | 13.791 | 0.001 | 34.499 |  |
| 1943 | 0.268 | 37.632 | 25.321 | 12.579 | 0.003 | 37.897 |  |
| 1944 | 0.465 | 33.635 | 24.185 | 9.915 | 0.004 | 34.096 |  |
| 1945 | 0.763 | 28.437 | 21.385 | 7.815 | 0.007 | 29.193 |  |
| 1946 | 1.991 | 38.409 | 30.092 | 10.308 | 0.020 | 40.380 |  |
| 1947 | 3.743 | 37.657 | 31.110 | 10.290 | 0.040 | 41.360 |  |
| 1948 | 9.304 | 49.496 | 44.386 | 14.414 | 0.110 | 58.690 |  |
| 1949 | 14.770 | 42.630 | 43.431 | 13.969 | 0.209 | 57.191 |  |
| 1950 | 27.306 | 44.694 | 54.543 | 17.457 | 0.509 | 71.491 |  |
| 1951 | 44.856 | 44.644 | 67.842 | 21.658 | 1.221 | 88.279 |  |
| 1952 | 53.304 | 35.496 | 67.333 | 21.467 | 2.320 | 86.480 |  |
| 1953 | 62.466 | 31.034 | 70.908 | 22.592 | 4.608 | 88.892 |  |
| 1954 | 74.752 | 30.648 | 79.939 | 25.461 | 9.530 | 95.870 |  |
| 1955 | 84.517 | 30.883 | 87.528 | 27.872 | 18.260 | 97.140 |  |
| 1956 | 88.043 | 30.157 | 89.653 | 28.547 | 30.415 | 87.785 |  |
| 1957 | 94.982 | 31.418 | 95.874 | 30.526 | 47.938 | 78.462 |  |
| 1958 | 98.660 | 32.040 | 99.136 | 31.564 | 65.505 | 65.195 |  |
| 1959 | 110.468 | 35.532 | 110.742 | 35.258 | 87.640 | 58.360 |  |
| 1960 | 121.131 | 38.769 | 121.285 | 38.615 | 106.828 | 53.072 | 1.000 |
| 1961 | 112.716 | 35.984 | 112.790 | 35.910 | 105.462 | 43.238 | 1.308 |
| 1962 | 111.918 | 35.682 | 111.955 | 35.645 | 108.099 | 39.501 | 1.615 |
| 1963 | 128.545 | 40.955 | 128.567 | 40.933 | 126.254 | 43.246 | 1.923 |
| 1964 | 123.095 | 39.205 | 123.106 | 39.194 | 121.959 | 40.341 | 2.231 |
| 1965 | 153.970 | 49.030 | 153.977 | 49.023 | 153.237 | 49.763 | 2.538 |
| 1966 | 147.905 | 47.095 | 147.909 | 47.091 | 147.543 | 47.457 | 2.846 |
| 1967 | 139.687 | 51.199 | 139.689 | 51.197 | 139.511 | 51.375 | 3.154 |
| 1968 | 120.057 | 51.451 | 120.058 | 51.450 | 119.980 | 51.529 | 3.462 |
| 1969 | 140.365 | 62.666 | 140.365 | 62.666 | 140.318 | 62.713 | 3.769 |
| 1970 | 117.553 | 48.670 | 117.554 | 48.670 | 117.533 | 48.690 | 4.077 |
| 1971 | 165.235 | 66.880 | 165.235 | 66.880 | 165.221 | 66.895 | 4.385 |
| 1972 | 203.658 | 86.971 | 203.658 | 86.971 | 203.649 | 86.980 | 4.692 |
| 1973 | 148.551 | 81.587 | 148.551 | 81.587 | 148.548 | 81.590 | 5.000 |
| 1974 | 129.550 | 84.303 | 129.550 | 84.303 | 129.548 | 84.305 | 10.056 |
| 1975 | 94.895 | 62.185 | 94.895 | 62.185 | 94.895 | 62.185 | 6.372 |
| 1976 | 129.867 | 65.957 | 129.867 | 65.957 | 129.866 | 65.958 | 5.740 |
| 1977 | 92.370 | 46.930 | 92.370 | 46.930 | 92.369 | 46.931 | 3.500 |

Table A1b: Assumed total annual catches by species for the offshore fleet (for the two different scenarios - assuming different species split of the catches) and for the inshore fleet for the period 1917 to 1977 (see Data section of text for details) for the South African hake resource. Catches are given in thousand tons.

| Year | Offshore |  |  |  | Inshore <br> M. capensis | Longline |  | Handline <br> M. capensis |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Scenarios C3a, b, c |  | Scenarios C6a, b, c |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | M. paradoxus | M. capensis | M. paradoxus | M. capensis |  | M. paradoxus | M. capensis |  |
| 1978 | 108.110 | 26.988 | 101.239 | 33.859 | 4.931 |  |  |  |
| 1979 | 98.133 | 42.309 | 87.456 | 52.986 | 6.093 |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 103.714 | 36.274 | 95.243 | 44.745 | 9.121 |  |  |  |
| 1981 | 92.900 | 33.516 | 85.254 | 41.162 | 9.400 |  |  |  |
| 1982 | 89.230 | 35.477 | 81.380 | 43.327 | 8.089 |  |  |  |
| 1983 | 77.325 | 29.624 | 71.310 | 35.639 | 7.672 | 0.161 | 0.069 |  |
| 1984 | 86.647 | 35.543 | 79.085 | 43.105 | 9.035 | 0.256 | 0.126 |  |
| 1985 | 101.532 | 43.554 | 92.526 | 52.560 | 9.203 | 0.817 | 0.642 | 0.065 |
| 1986 | 113.619 | 36.151 | 105.621 | 44.149 | 8.724 | 0.965 | 0.715 | 0.084 |
| 1987 | 103.993 | 29.216 | 97.785 | 35.424 | 8.607 | 2.500 | 1.424 | 0.096 |
| 1988 | 90.389 | 30.709 | 83.627 | 37.471 | 8.417 | 3.628 | 1.886 | 0.071 |
| 1989 | 90.162 | 36.009 | 83.541 | 42.630 | 10.038 | 0.203 | 0.119 | 0.137 |
| 1990 | 88.679 | 37.749 | 81.635 | 44.793 | 10.012 | 0.270 | 0.116 | 0.348 |
| 1991 | 100.148 | 28.376 | 94.455 | 34.069 | 8.206 | 0.000 | 3.000 | 1.270 |
| 1992 | 101.802 | 27.947 | 95.611 | 34.138 | 9.252 | 0.000 | 1.500 | 1.099 |
| 1993 | 113.050 | 19.275 | 108.361 | 23.964 | 8.870 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.278 |
| 1994 | 111.927 | 22.992 | 106.177 | 28.742 | 9.569 | 1.130 | 1.111 | 0.449 |
| 1995 | 97.884 | 30.163 | 90.425 | 37.622 | 10.630 | 0.670 | 0.938 | 0.756 |
| 1996 | 119.576 | 22.888 | 113.065 | 29.399 | 11.062 | 1.676 | 2.546 | 1.515 |
| 1997 | 111.776 | 21.214 | 105.589 | 27.401 | 8.834 | 1.806 | 2.646 | 1.404 |
| 1998 | 121.650 | 20.156 | 116.194 | 25.612 | 8.283 | 0.647 | 1.748 | 1.738 |
| 1999 | 99.942 | 19.165 | 94.811 | 24.296 | 8.595 | 1.963 | 4.985 | 2.749 |
| 2000 | 103.982 | 27.250 | 97.975 | 33.256 | 10.906 | 3.456 | 3.558 | 5.500 |
| 2001 | 113.337 | 19.342 | 108.542 | 24.137 | 11.692 | 2.793 | 2.885 | 7.300 |
| 2002 | 101.575 | 21.297 | 96.569 | 26.303 | 9.448 | 4.772 | 5.990 | 4.500 |
| 2003 | 98.696 | 12.902 | 95.266 | 16.332 | 9.787 | 4.668 | 6.878 | 5.941 |
| 2004 | 112.609 | 16.771 | 109.594 | 19.786 | 11.346 | 5.411 | 7.974 | 6.888 |

Table A2: South and west coast historic and coast-combined GLM standardized (for the two different scenarios assuming different species split of the catches) CPUE data (Glazer, 2005) for M. paradoxus and M. capensis. The historic CPUE series are for M. capensis and M. paradoxus combined.


Table A3: Survey abundance estimates and associated standard errors in thousand tons for M. paradoxus for the depth range $0-500 \mathrm{~m}$ for the south coast and for the west coast.

| Year | South coast |  |  |  | West coast |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Spring (Sept) |  | Autumn (Apr/May) |  | Summer |  | Winter |  | Nansen summer |  |
|  | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) |
| 1985 | - | - | - | - | 168.139 | (36.607) | 264.916 | (52.968) | - | - |
| 1986 | 23.049 | (5.946) | - | - | 196.151 | (36.366) | 172.522 | (24.129) | - | - |
| 1987 | 21.545 | (4.601) | - | - | 284.859 | (53.108) | 195.530 | (44.425) | - | - |
| 1988 | - | - | 30.236 | (11.084) | 158.796 | (27.390) | 233.103 | (64.016) | - | - |
| 1989 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 468.928 | (124.878) | - | - |
| 1990 | - | - | - | - | 282.225 | (78.956) | 226.910 | (46.016) | - | - |
| 1991 | - | - | 26.604 | (10.431) | 327.105 | (82.209) | - | - | - | - |
| 1992 | - | - | 24.305 | (15.197) | 234.699 | (33.963) | - | - | - | - |
| 1993 | - | - | 198.403 | (98.423) | 321.782 | (48.799) | - | - | - | - |
| 1994 | - | - | 111.354 | (34.622) | 329.927 | (58.332) | - | - | - | - |
| 1995 | - | - | 44.618 | (19.823) | 324.626 | (80.370) | - | - | - | - |
| 1996 | - | - | 85.530 | (25.485) | 430.971 | (80.614) | - | - | - | - |
| 1997 | - | - | 134.656 | (50.922) | 570.091 | (108.230) | - | - | - | - |
| 1998 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1999 | - | - | 321.328 | (113.520) | 562.988 | (116.322) | - | - | - | - |
| 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 326.994 | (36.816) |
| 2001 | 19.930 | (9.957) | - | - | - | - | - | - | 276.604 | (34.833) |
| 2002 | - | - | - | - | 272.177 | (35.586) | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 88.431 | (36.054) | 108.756 | (37.529) | 405.457 | (68.882) | - | - | - | - |
| 2004 |  |  | 31.653 | (25.906) | 259.566 | (56.034) | - | - | - | - |

Table A4: Survey abundance estimates and associated standard errors in thousand tons for M. capensis for the depth range $0-500 \mathrm{~m}$ for the south coast and for the west coast.

| Year | South coast |  |  |  | West coast |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Spring (Sept) |  | Autumn (Apr/May) |  | Summer |  | Winter |  | Nansen summer |  |
|  | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) | Biomass | (s.e.) |
| 1985 | - | - | - | - | 124.652 | (22.709) | 181.517 | (27.480) | - | - |
| 1986 | 202.871 | (27.845) | - | - | 117.829 | (23.639) | 119.609 | (18.492) | - | - |
| 1987 | 162.282 | (17.512) | - | - | 75.705 | (10.242) | 87.407 | (11.201) | - | - |
| 1988 | - | - | 165.184 | (21.358) | 66.737 | (10.767) | 47.129 | (9.570) | - | - |
| 1989 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 323.879 | (67.303) | - | - |
| 1990 | - | - | - | - | 455.861 | (135.253) | 157.826 | (23.565) | - | - |
| 1991 | - | - | 273.897 | (44.363) | 77.369 | (14.997) | - | - | - | - |
| 1992 | - | - | 137.798 | (15.317) | 95.568 | (11.753) | - | - | - | - |
| 1993 | - | - | 156.533 | (13.628) | 94.564 | (17.346) | - | - | - | - |
| 1994 | - | - | 158.243 | (23.607) | 120.206 | (35.885) | - | - | - | - |
| 1995 | - | - | 233.359 | (31.862) | 199.173 | (26.816) | - | - | - | - |
| 1996 | - | - | 243.934 | (25.035) | 83.347 | (9.287) | - | - | - | - |
| 1997 | - | - | 182.157 | (18.601) | 257.332 | (46.062) | - | - | - | - |
| 1998 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1999 | - | - | 190.864 | (14.929) | 198.748 | (32.471) | - | - | - | - |
| 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 316.105 | (42.077) |
| 2001 | 133.533 | (20.845) | - | - | - | - | - | - | 191.068 | (25.780) |
| 2002 | - | - | - | - | 108.025 | (16.086) | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 82.726 | (89.940) | 126.313 | (19.986) | 74.771 | (12.989) | - | - | - | - |
| 2004 |  |  | 104.763 | (12.867) | 205.976 | (33.221) | - | - | - | - |

Table A5: Summer survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. paradoxus on the west coast for the $0-500 \mathrm{~m}$ depth range.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius paradoxus |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | $5+$ |
| 1990 | 0.0285 | 0.3098 | 0.4918 | 0.1583 | 0.0088 | 0.0017 |
| 1991 | 0.0182 | 0.2777 | 0.5608 | 0.1069 | 0.0240 | 0.0079 |
| 1992 | 0.0098 | 0.3834 | 0.4847 | 0.0824 | 0.0231 | 0.0118 |
| 1993 | 0.0089 | 0.1995 | 0.5469 | 0.1866 | 0.0439 | 0.0097 |
| 1994 | 0.0107 | 0.2441 | 0.5508 | 0.1656 | 0.0174 | 0.0078 |
| 1995 | 0.0651 | 0.1905 | 0.4435 | 0.2583 | 0.0282 | 0.0096 |
| 1996 | 0.0572 | 0.3939 | 0.3018 | 0.2096 | 0.0298 | 0.0050 |
| 1997 | 0.0055 | 0.1708 | 0.5459 | 0.2564 | 0.0164 | 0.0032 |
| 1998 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1999 | 0.1613 | 0.4099 | 0.3358 | 0.0808 | 0.0084 | 0.0026 |
| 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2001 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2002 | 0.1828 | 0.4572 | 0.2551 | 0.0837 | 0.0132 | 0.0080 |
| 2003 | 0.1514 | 0.3704 | 0.3394 | 0.184 | 0.0107 | 0.0098 |
| 2004 | 0.2144 | 0.3438 | 0.2842 | 0.1240 | 0.0262 | 0.0073 |

Table A6: Nansen summer survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. paradoxus on the west coast for the $0-500 \mathrm{~m}$ depth range.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius paradoxus |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | $5+$ |
| 2000 | 0.2612 | 0.4600 | 0.2041 | 0.0561 | 0.0151 | 0.0035 |
| 2001 | 0.1627 | 0.4360 | 0.2396 | 0.1191 | 0.0354 | 0.0072 |

Table A7: Spring survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. paradoxus on the south coast for the $0-500 \mathrm{~m}$ depth range.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius paradoxus |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | $5+$ |
| 2001 | 0.0066 | 0.0852 | 0.5182 | 0.3689 | 0.0154 | 0.0057 |
| 2002 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 0.0083 | 0.0342 | 0.4936 | 0.4250 | 0.0244 | 0.0145 |

Table A8: Autumn survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. paradoxus on the south coast for the $0-500 \mathrm{~m}$ depth range.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius paradoxus |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | $5+$ |
| 1991 | 0.0038 | 0.0099 | 0.5219 | 0.2920 | 0.1162 | 0.0563 |
| 1992 | 0.0000 | 0.0006 | 0.3698 | 0.5407 | 0.0653 | 0.0236 |
| 1993 | 0.0000 | 0.0047 | 0.4157 | 0.5439 | 0.0260 | 0.0097 |
| 1994 | 0.0054 | 0.0898 | 0.6558 | 0.1857 | 0.0170 | 0.0463 |
| 1995 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.1241 | 0.7729 | 0.0886 | 0.0139 |
| 1996 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0968 | 0.7494 | 0.0999 | 0.0539 |
| 1997 | 0.0002 | 0.0012 | 0.1108 | 0.5806 | 0.1055 | 0.2016 |
| 1998 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1999 | 0.0001 | 0.0140 | 0.2155 | 0.5266 | 0.1898 | 0.0540 |
| 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2001 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2002 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 0.0003 | 0.0409 | 0.5624 | 0.3427 | 0.0333 | 0.0204 |
| 2004 | 0.0439 | 0.1365 | 0.4040 | 0.3684 | 0.0411 | 0.0060 |

Table A9: Summer survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. capensis on the west coast for the 0-500m depth range.

|  | Proportions caught-at-age: Merluccius capensis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $7+$ |
| 1986 | 0.034 | 0.230 | 0.603 | 0.085 | 0.023 | 0.014 | 0.008 | 0.003 |
| 1987 | 0.024 | 0.113 | 0.465 | 0.223 | 0.139 | 0.022 | 0.010 | 0.004 |
| 1988 | 0.280 | 0.483 | 0.135 | 0.059 | 0.018 | 0.015 | 0.009 | 0.002 |
| 1989 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1990 | 0.004 | 0.325 | 0.635 | 0.023 | 0.009 | 0.003 | 0.001 | 0.000 |
| 1991 | 0.072 | 0.122 | 0.644 | 0.097 | 0.038 | 0.017 | 0.009 | 0.002 |
| 1992 | 0.131 | 0.260 | 0.313 | 0.162 | 0.078 | 0.025 | 0.019 | 0.010 |
| 1993 | 0.038 | 0.176 | 0.207 | 0.399 | 0.088 | 0.057 | 0.024 | 0.011 |
| 1994 | 0.081 | 0.253 | 0.208 | 0.262 | 0.075 | 0.054 | 0.048 | 0.020 |
| 1995 | 0.001 | 0.147 | 0.739 | 0.066 | 0.021 | 0.018 | 0.005 | 0.003 |
| 1996 | 0.065 | 0.368 | 0.205 | 0.237 | 0.066 | 0.023 | 0.025 | 0.011 |
| 1997 | 0.036 | 0.141 | 0.384 | 0.407 | 0.014 | 0.010 | 0.004 | 0.003 |
| 1998 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1999 | 0.867 | 0.059 | 0.024 | 0.026 | 0.011 | 0.008 | 0.005 | 0.001 |
| 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2002 | 0.351 | 0.425 | 0.100 | 0.062 | 0.032 | 0.019 | 0.009 | 0.002 |
| 2003 | 0.250 | 0.225 | 0.223 | 0.142 | 0.053 | 0.054 | 0.039 | 0.014 |
| 2004 | 0.125 | 0.367 | 0.411 | 0.086 | 0.007 | 0.002 | 0.001 | 0.001 |

Table A10: Winter survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. capensis on the west coast for the $0-500 \mathrm{~m}$ depth range.

|  | Proportions caught-at-age: Merluccius capensis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $7+$ |
| 1985 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1986 | 0.005 | 0.305 | 0.267 | 0.318 | 0.051 | 0.027 | 0.017 | 0.010 |
| 1987 | 0.010 | 0.477 | 0.202 | 0.171 | 0.072 | 0.048 | 0.011 | 0.009 |
| 1988 | 0.031 | 0.432 | 0.388 | 0.063 | 0.042 | 0.029 | 0.012 | 0.004 |
| 1989 | 0.079 | 0.676 | 0.213 | 0.022 | 0.008 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.000 |
| 1990 | 0.006 | 0.267 | 0.514 | 0.098 | 0.052 | 0.042 | 0.013 | 0.008 |

Table A11: Nansen summer survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. capensis on the west coast for the 0-500m depth range.

|  | Proportions caught-at-age: Merluccius capensis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $7+$ |
| 2000 | 0.393 | 0.336 | 0.147 | 0.111 | 0.007 | 0.004 | 0.002 | 0.001 |
| 2001 | 0.427 | 0.123 | 0.179 | 0.184 | 0.058 | 0.018 | 0.008 | 0.004 |

Table A12: Spring survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. capensis on the south coast for the 0-500m depth range.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius capensis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $7+$ |
| 2001 | 0.158 | 0.106 | 0.091 | 0.171 | 0.264 | 0.139 | 0.039 | 0.033 |
| 2002 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 0.205 | 0.134 | 0.154 | 0.157 | 0.161 | 0.113 | 0.041 | 0.036 |

Table A13: Autumn survey catches-at-age (proportions) of M. capensis on the south coast for the 0-500m depth range.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius capensis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $7+$ |
| 1991 | 0.011 | 0.111 | 0.126 | 0.173 | 0.215 | 0.181 | 0.112 | 0.073 |
| 1992 | 0.015 | 0.203 | 0.358 | 0.145 | 0.118 | 0.110 | 0.038 | 0.014 |
| 1993 | 0.001 | 0.083 | 0.120 | 0.171 | 0.373 | 0.143 | 0.068 | 0.042 |
| 1994 | 0.061 | 0.140 | 0.123 | 0.219 | 0.137 | 0.159 | 0.116 | 0.045 |
| 1995 | 0.019 | 0.121 | 0.225 | 0.189 | 0.202 | 0.149 | 0.066 | 0.029 |
| 1996 | 0.005 | 0.104 | 0.188 | 0.192 | 0.288 | 0.131 | 0.061 | 0.031 |
| 1997 | 0.064 | 0.134 | 0.105 | 0.187 | 0.216 | 0.175 | 0.067 | 0.052 |
| 1998 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1999 | 0.159 | 0.140 | 0.281 | 0.145 | 0.117 | 0.087 | 0.040 | 0.030 |
| 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2002 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 0.127 | 0.212 | 0.188 | 0.140 | 0.153 | 0.109 | 0.038 | 0.033 |
| 2004 | 0.115 | 0.109 | 0.131 | 0.174 | 0.218 | 0.152 | 0.054 | 0.047 |

Table A14: Offshore fleet catches-at-age (M. capensis and M. paradoxus combined) for both coasts combined

| Age | Proportions caught at age: species combined |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7+ |
| 1975 | 0.000 | 0.038 | 0.151 | 0.242 | 0.249 | 0.189 | 0.058 | 0.073 |
| 1976 | 0.000 | 0.076 | 0.435 | 0.302 | 0.120 | 0.035 | 0.022 | 0.010 |
| 1977 | 0.000 | 0.119 | 0.499 | 0.223 | 0.081 | 0.051 | 0.023 | 0.005 |
| 1978 | 0.000 | 0.069 | 0.683 | 0.174 | 0.046 | 0.018 | 0.007 | 0.003 |
| 1979 | 0.000 | 0.095 | 0.468 | 0.218 | 0.095 | 0.078 | 0.029 | 0.016 |
| 1980 | 0.000 | 0.048 | 0.458 | 0.284 | 0.120 | 0.053 | 0.023 | 0.014 |
| 1981 | 0.004 | 0.204 | 0.459 | 0.184 | 0.092 | 0.034 | 0.015 | 0.008 |
| 1982 | 0.030 | 0.248 | 0.469 | 0.130 | 0.056 | 0.038 | 0.020 | 0.009 |
| 1983 | 0.001 | 0.097 | 0.457 | 0.256 | 0.099 | 0.056 | 0.025 | 0.010 |
| 1984 | 0.002 | 0.068 | 0.460 | 0.265 | 0.111 | 0.052 | 0.028 | 0.014 |
| 1985 | 0.000 | 0.007 | 0.347 | 0.380 | 0.135 | 0.077 | 0.036 | 0.019 |
| 1986 | 0.000 | 0.011 | 0.315 | 0.446 | 0.119 | 0.055 | 0.033 | 0.019 |
| 1987 | 0.000 | 0.019 | 0.502 | 0.273 | 0.109 | 0.059 | 0.025 | 0.013 |
| 1988 | 0.000 | 0.018 | 0.551 | 0.265 | 0.075 | 0.050 | 0.028 | 0.011 |
| 1989 | 0.000 | 0.011 | 0.411 | 0.399 | 0.097 | 0.049 | 0.026 | 0.008 |
| 1990 | 0.000 | 0.002 | 0.282 | 0.470 | 0.167 | 0.050 | 0.020 | 0.008 |
| 1991 | 0.000 | 0.003 | 0.264 | 0.379 | 0.213 | 0.079 | 0.045 | 0.018 |
| 1992 | 0.000 | 0.010 | 0.380 | 0.328 | 0.149 | 0.084 | 0.035 | 0.014 |
| 1993 | 0.000 | 0.002 | 0.152 | 0.407 | 0.286 | 0.112 | 0.031 | 0.011 |
| 1994 | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.158 | 0.468 | 0.191 | 0.140 | 0.032 | 0.011 |
| 1995 | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.107 | 0.533 | 0.218 | 0.074 | 0.049 | 0.018 |
| 1996 | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.096 | 0.533 | 0.260 | 0.066 | 0.032 | 0.013 |

Table A15: Inshore fleet catches-at-age (assumed to consist of M. capensis only) on the south coast.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius capensis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $7+$ |
| 1989 | 0.000 | 0.081 | 0.478 | 0.285 | 0.109 | 0.039 | 0.008 |
| 1990 | 0.000 | 0.055 | 0.279 | 0.439 | 0.171 | 0.045 | 0.011 |
| 1991 | 0.000 | 0.053 | 0.281 | 0.367 | 0.219 | 0.067 | 0.014 |
| 1992 | 0.001 | 0.151 | 0.371 | 0.237 | 0.184 | 0.048 | 0.009 |
| 1993 | 0.000 | 0.026 | 0.332 | 0.457 | 0.139 | 0.039 | 0.006 |
| 1994 | 0.000 | 0.060 | 0.380 | 0.304 | 0.183 | 0.067 | 0.007 |
| 1995 | 0.000 | 0.015 | 0.232 | 0.455 | 0.209 | 0.072 | 0.018 |
| 1996 | 0.000 | 0.024 | 0.327 | 0.457 | 0.140 | 0.043 | 0.008 |
| 1997 | 0.000 | 0.034 | 0.369 | 0.394 | 0.159 | 0.034 | 0.011 |
| 1998 | 0.008 | 0.166 | 0.377 | 0.284 | 0.116 | 0.034 | 0.015 |
| 1999 | 0.012 | 0.190 | 0.365 | 0.248 | 0.116 | 0.044 | 0.024 |
| 2000 | 0.000 | 0.022 | 0.244 | 0.476 | 0.196 | 0.034 | 0.028 |

Table A16: Longline fleet catches-at-age (assumed to consist of M. capensis only) on the south coast.

|  | Proportions caught at age: Merluccius capensis |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $7+$ |
| 1994 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.030 | 0.248 | 0.404 | 0.318 |
| 1995 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.006 | 0.093 | 0.262 | 0.638 |
| 1996 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.007 | 0.134 | 0.297 | 0.561 |
| 1997 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.002 | 0.036 | 0.201 | 0.298 | 0.464 |
| 2000 | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.003 | 0.020 | 0.148 | 0.203 | 0.626 |

## Appendix B - The Age-Structured Production Model

The model used in the assessment of the coast-wide South African M. paradoxus and M. capensis hake stocks is an ASPM. It involves assessing the two species as two independent stocks. The model is fitted to species-disaggregated data as well as species-combined data. The model equations and the general specifications of the model are described below, followed by details of the contributions to the log-likelihood function from the different data considered. QuasiNewton minimisation is used to minimise the total negative log-likelihood function (implemented using AD Model Builder ${ }^{\text {TM }}$, Otter Research, Ltd.).

## B. 1 Population Dynamics

## B.1.1 Numbers-at-age

The resource dynamics of the South African hake stocks are modelled by the following set of population dynamics equations (Baranov, 1918):

$$
\begin{align*}
& N_{s, y+1,0}=R_{s, y+1}  \tag{B1}\\
& N_{s, y+1, a+1}=N_{s y a} e^{-Z_{s y a}}  \tag{B2}\\
& N_{s, y+1, m_{s}}=N_{s y, m_{s}-1} e^{-Z_{s y, m_{s}-1}} / e^{-Z_{s y, m_{s}}}
\end{align*}
$$

where
$N_{\text {sya }} \quad$ is the number of fish of species $s$ and age $a$ at the start of year $y$,
$R_{s y} \quad$ is the recruitment (number of 0-year-old fish) of species $s$ at the start of year $y$,
$m_{s}$ is the maximum age considered (taken to be a plus-group) for species $s$,
$Z_{s y a}=\sum_{f} F_{s f y} S_{s f y a}+M_{s a}$ is the total mortality in year $y$ on fish of species $s$ and age $a$, where:
$M_{s a}$ denotes the natural mortality rate on fish of species $s$ and age $a$,
$F_{s f y} \quad$ is the fishing mortality of a fully selected age class of species $s$, for fleet $f$ in year $y$ and
$S_{s f y a}$ is the commercial selectivity (i.e. vulnerability to fishing gear, which may depend not only on the gear itself, but also on distribution patterns of the fish by age compared to the areal distribution of fishing effort) of species $s$ at age $a$ for year $y$, and fleet $f$; when $S_{s f y a}=1$, the age-class $a$ is said to be fully selected.

These equations simply state that for a closed population, i.e. with no immigration or emigration, the only sources of loss are natural mortality (predation, disease, etc.) and fishing mortality (catch).

## B.1.2 Recruitment

Next year's recruitment depends upon the reproductive output of this year's fish. The number of recruits of each species (i.e. new zero-year old fish) at the start of year $y$ is assumed to be related to the spawning stock size (i.e., the biomass of mature fish) by a stock-recruitment relationship. Traditionally, the Beverton-Holt function (Beverton and Holt, 1957) has been used for southern African hake assessments.
The Beverton-Holt stock-recruitment relationship, allowing for annual fluctuations, is written as:
$R_{s y}=\frac{\alpha_{s} B_{s y}^{s p}}{\beta_{s}+B_{s y}^{s p}} e^{\left(\varsigma_{s y}-\sigma_{R}^{2} / 2\right)}$
where
$\alpha_{s}$ and $\beta_{s}$ are spawning biomass-recruitment relationship parameters for species $s, \alpha$ being the maximum number of recruits produced, and $\beta$ the spawning stock needed to produce a recruitment equal to $\alpha / 2$, in the deterministic case;
$\varsigma_{s y} \quad$ reflects fluctuation about the expected recruitment for species $s$ in year $y$, which is assumed to be normally distributed with standard deviation $\sigma_{R}$ (whose value is input in the applications considered here); these
residuals are treated as estimable parameters in the model fitting process. Estimating the stock-recruitment residuals is made possible by the availability of catch-at-age data, which give some indication of the agestructure of the population. The $-\sigma_{R}^{2} / 2$ term is to correct for bias given the skewness of the log-normal distribution; it ensures that, on average, recruitments will be as indicated by the deterministic component of the stock-recruitment relationship;
$B_{s y}^{s p} \quad$ is the spawning biomass of fish of species $s$ at the start of year $y$, computed as:
$B_{s y}^{s p}=\sum_{a=1}^{m} f_{s a} w_{s a} N_{s y a}$
where
$w_{s a} \quad$ is the begin-year mass of fish of species $s$ and age $a$, and
$f_{s a} \quad$ is the proportion of fish of species $s$ and age $a$ that are mature.
In order to work with estimable parameters that are more biologically meaningful, the stock-recruitment relationship is re-parameterised in terms of the pre-exploitation equilibrium spawning ("virgin") biomass, $K_{s}^{s p}$, and the "steepness", $h_{s}$, of the stock-recruitment relationship, which is the proportion of the virgin recruitment ( $R_{1 s}$ ) that is realised at a spawning biomass level of $20 \%$ of the virgin spawning biomass:
$\alpha_{s}=\frac{4 h_{s} R_{s 1}}{5 h_{s}-1}$
and
$\beta_{s}=\frac{K_{s}^{s p}\left(1-h_{s}\right)}{5 h_{s}-1}$
where
$R_{s 1}=K_{s}^{s p} /\left[\sum_{a=1}^{m_{s-}-1} f_{s a} w_{s a} e^{\substack{a-1 \\ a=0 \\ \sum_{s c^{\prime}}}}+f_{s m_{s}} w_{s m_{s}} \frac{e^{\substack{m-1 \\ \sum_{s=0} M_{s a^{\prime}}}}}{1-e^{-M_{s m_{s}}}}\right]$
In the fitting procedure, both $h_{s}$ and $K_{s}^{s p}$ are estimated. The steepness parameter is important, as the overall potential yield of a resource estimated by an ASPM depends primarily on the steepness of the stock-recruitment curve and on the natural mortality rate.

## B.1.3 Total catch and catches-at-age

The fleet-disaggregated catch by mass for species $s$, in year is given by:

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{s f y}=\sum_{a=0}^{m} w_{s, a+1 / 2} C_{s f y a}=\sum_{a=0}^{m} w_{s, a+1 / 2} N_{s y a}\left(1-e^{-Z_{s, a}}\right) \tag{B9}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
$w_{s, a+1 / 2}$ denotes the mid-year mass of fish of species $s$ and age $a$, which is assumed to be the same for each fleet (as there are no data available to discriminate between fleets), and
$C_{\text {sfya }} \quad$ is the catch-at-age, i.e. the number of fish of species $s$ and age $a$, caught in year $y$ by fleet $f$.
The model estimate of the mid-year exploitable ("available") component of biomass for each species and fleet is calculated by converting the numbers-at-age into mid-year mass-at-age (using the mid-year individual weights) and applying natural and fishing mortality for half the year:
$B_{s f y}^{e x}=\sum_{a=0}^{m_{s}} w_{s, a+1 / 2} S_{s f y a} N_{s y a} e^{-Z_{s y a} / 2}$
The model estimate of the survey biomass at the start of the year (summer) for each species is given by:
$B_{s y}^{s u r v}=\sum_{a=0}^{m_{s}} w_{s a} S_{s a}^{s u r v} N_{s y a}$
and in mid-year (winter):
$B_{s y}^{s u r v}=\sum_{a-0}^{m_{s}} w_{s, a+1 / 2} S_{s a}^{s u r v} N_{s y a} e^{-Z_{s y a} / 2}$
where
$S_{s a}^{\text {surv }} \quad$ is the survey selectivity for age $a$ for species $s$, and
$w_{s, a+1 / 2}$ is the mid-year weight of fish of species $s$ and age $a$ at the start of the year.
It is assumed that the resource is at the deterministic equilibrium that corresponds to an absence of harvesting at the start of the initial year considered, i.e., $B_{s y 0}^{s p}=K_{s}^{s p}$.

## B. 2 The likelihood function

The model is fitted to CPUE and survey abundance indices, catch information and commercial and survey catch-at-age data, as well as to the stock-recruitment curve to estimate model parameters. Contributions by each of these to the negative of the $\log$-likelihood $(-\ell \mathrm{n} L)$ are as follows.

## B.2.1 CPUE relative abundance data

The likelihood is calculated assuming that the observed abundance index is log-normally distributed about its expected value:
$I_{y}^{i}=\hat{I}_{y}^{i} \exp \left(\varepsilon_{y}^{i}\right) \quad$ or $\quad \varepsilon_{y}^{i}=\ln \left(I_{y}^{i}\right)-\ln \left(\hat{I}_{y}^{i}\right)$
where
$I_{y}^{i} \quad$ is the abundance index for year $y$ and series $i$ (which corresponds to a combination of species and fleet)
$\hat{I}_{y}^{i}=\hat{q}^{i} \hat{B}_{s f y}^{e x}$ is the corresponding model estimate, where $\widehat{B}_{s f y}^{e x}$ is the model estimate of exploitable resource biomass, given by equation B10,
$\hat{q}^{i} \quad$ is the constant of proportionality for abundance series $i$, and
$\varepsilon_{y}^{i} \quad$ from $N\left(0,\left(\sigma_{y}^{i}\right)^{2}\right)$.

In cases where the CPUE series are based upon species-aggregated catches (as available pre-1978), the corresponding model estimate is derived by assuming two types of fishing zones: z1) an " $M$. capensis only zone", corresponding to the shallow water and z2) a "mixed zone" (see Fig. B1).

The total catch of hake of both species (BS) by fleet $f$ in year $y\left(C_{B S, f y}\right)$ can be written as $C_{B S, f y}=C_{C z 1, f y}+C_{C z 2, f y}+C_{P, f y}$, where
$C_{C z 1, f y}$ is the M. capensis catch by fleet $f$ in year $y$ in the M. capensis only zone,
$C_{C z 2, f y}$ is the M. capensis catch by fleet $f$ in year $y$ in the mixed zone, and
$C_{P, f y}$ is the M. paradoxus catch by fleet $f$ in year $y$ in the mixed zone.
Catch rate is assumed to be proportional to exploitable biomass. Furthermore, let $\gamma$ be the proportion of the M. capensis exploitable biomass in the mixed zone $\left(\gamma=B_{C z 2, f y}^{e x} / B_{C, f y}^{e x}\right)$ (assumed to be constant throughout the period) and $s_{f y}$ be the proportion of the effort of fleet $f$ in the mixed zone in year $y\left(s_{f y}=E_{f y}^{z 2} / E_{f y}\right)$, so that:

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{C z 1, f y}=q_{C z 1}^{i} B_{C z 1, f y}^{e x} E_{f y}^{z 1}=q_{C z 1}^{i}(1-\gamma) B_{C, f y}^{e x}\left(1-s_{f y}\right) E_{f y} \tag{B14}
\end{equation*}
$$

$C_{f y}^{C z 2}=q_{C z 2}^{i} B_{C z 2, f y}^{e x} E_{f y}^{z 2}=q_{C z 2}^{i} \gamma B_{C, f y}^{e x} s_{f y} E_{f y} \quad$ and
$C_{f y}^{P}=q_{P}^{i} B_{P, f y}^{e x} E_{f y}^{z 2}=q_{P}^{i} B_{P, f y}^{e x} s_{f y} E_{f y}$
where
$E_{f y}=E_{f y}^{z 1}+E_{f y}^{z 2}$ is the total effort of fleet $f$, corresponding to combined-species CPUE series $i$ which consists of the effort in the M. capensis only zone ( $E_{f y}^{z 1}$ ) and the effort in the mixed zone ( $E_{f y}^{z 2}$ ).
It follows that:
$C_{C f y}=B_{C f y}^{e x} E_{f y}\left[q_{C 1}^{i}(1-\gamma)\left(1-s_{y}\right)+q_{C 2}^{i} \gamma_{f y}\right]$
$C_{P f y}=B_{C f y}^{e x} E_{f y} q_{P}^{i} s_{f y}$
By solving equations B17 and B18, we get:
$s_{f y}=\frac{q_{C z 1}^{i}(1-\gamma)}{\left\{\frac{C_{C f y} B_{P f y}^{e x} q_{P}^{i}}{B_{C f y}^{e x} C_{P f y}}-q_{C z 2}^{i} \gamma+q_{C z 1}^{i}(1-\gamma)\right\}}$
so that:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{I}_{y}^{i}=\frac{C_{f y}}{E_{f y}}=\frac{C_{f y} B_{P f y}^{e x} q_{P}^{i} s_{f y}}{C_{P f y}} \tag{B20}
\end{equation*}
$$

| Zone 1 (z1): | Zone 2 (z2): |
| :---: | :---: |
| M. capensis only | Mixed zone |
| M. capensis: | M. capensis: |
| biomass $\left(B_{C z 1}\right)$, catch $\left(C_{C z 1}\right)$ | biomass $\left(B_{C z 2}\right)$, catch $\left(C_{C z 2}\right)$ |
|  | M. paradoxus: |
| biomass $\left(B_{P}\right)$, catch $\left(C_{P}\right)$ |  |
| Effort in zone 1 $\left(E_{z 1}\right)$ | Effort in zone $1\left(E_{z 2}\right)$ |

Fig. B1: Diagrammatic representation of the two theoretical fishing zones.

To correct for possible negative bias in estimates of variance $\left(\sigma_{y}^{i}\right)$ and to avoid according unrealistically high precision (and so giving inappropriately high weight) to the CPUE data, lower bounds $\left(\left(\sigma_{A}^{i}\right)^{2}\right)$ on the standard deviations of the residuals for the logarithm of the CPUE series have been enforced; for the historic ICSEAF CPUE series (separate west coast and south coast series) the lower bound is set to 0.25 and for the recent GLM-standardised CPUE series the lower bound is 0.15 , i.e.: $\sigma^{\text {ICSEAF }} \geq 0.25$ and $\sigma^{G L M} \geq 0.15$.

The contribution of the CPUE data to the negative of the log-likelihood function (after removal of constants) is then given by:
$-\ln L^{\text {CPUE }}=\sum_{i} \sum_{y}\left\{\ln \sqrt{\left(\sigma_{y}^{i}\right)^{2}+\left(\sigma_{A}^{i}\right)^{2}}+\left(\varepsilon_{y}^{i}\right)^{2} /\left[2\left(\left(\sigma_{y}^{i}\right)^{2}+\left(\sigma_{A}^{i}\right)^{2}\right)\right]\right\}$
where
$\sigma_{y}^{i} \quad$ is the (minimum, when $\sigma_{A}^{i}=0$ ) standard deviation of the residuals for the logarithms of index $i$ in year $y$,
$\sigma_{A}^{i} \quad$ is the square root of the additional variance for abundance series $i$, which is an input value; alternatively, this can be used to as a means of specifying an effective lower bound for $\sigma_{y}^{i}$.

Homoscedasticity of residuals is usually assumed, so that $\sigma_{y}^{i}=\sigma^{i}$ is estimated in the fitting procedure by its maximum likelihood value:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{\sigma}^{i}=\sqrt{1 / n_{i} \sum_{y}\left(\ln \left(I_{y}^{i}\right)-\ln \left(\hat{I}_{y}^{i}\right)\right)^{2}-\left(\sigma_{A}^{i}\right)^{2}} \tag{B22}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $n_{i}$ is the number of data points for abundance index $i$.
In the case of the species-disaggregated CPUE series, the catchability coefficient $q^{i}$ for abundance index $i$ is estimated by its maximum likelihood value, which in the more general case of heteroscedastic residuals, is given by:
$\ln \hat{q}^{i}=\frac{\sum_{y}\left[1 /\left\{\left(\sigma_{y}^{i}\right)^{2}+\left(\sigma_{A}^{i}\right)^{2}\right\}\right]\left(\ln I_{y}^{i}-\ln \hat{B}_{s r f y}^{e x}\right)}{\sum_{y}\left[1 /\left\{\left(\sigma_{y}^{i}\right)^{2}+\left(\sigma_{A}^{i}\right)^{2}\right\}\right]}$
While in the case of the species-combined CPUE, $q_{C z 1}^{i}, q_{C z 2}^{i}, q_{P}^{i}$ and $\gamma$ are directly estimated in the fitting procedure.
In the case of the South African hake, two species-aggregated CPUE indices are available: the ICSEAF west coast and the ICSEAF south coast series. For consistency, $q$ 's for each species (and zone) are forced to be in the same proportion:

$$
\begin{equation*}
q_{s}^{S C}=r q_{s}^{W C} \tag{B24}
\end{equation*}
$$

## B.2.2 Survey abundance data

Data from the research surveys are treated as relative abundance indices in a similar manner to the speciesdisaggregated CPUE series above, with survey selectivity function $S_{s a}^{s u r v}$ replacing the commercial selectivity $S_{s f y a}$ (see equations B11 and B12 above). Account is also taken of the begin- or mid-year nature of the survey.

An estimate of sampling variance is available for most surveys and the associated $\sigma_{y}^{i}$ is generally taken to be given by the corresponding survey CV. However, these estimates likely fail to include all sources of variability, and unrealistically high precision (low variance and hence high weight) could hence be accorded to these indices. The contribution of the survey data to the negative log-likelihood is of the same form as that of the CPUE abundance data (see equation B21). The procedure adopted takes into account an additional variance in the same manner as for the CPUE abundance indices, but instead of being input, the additional variance $\left(\sigma_{A}\right)^{2}$ is treated as another estimable parameter in the minimisation process. This procedure is carried out enforcing the constraint that $\left(\sigma_{A}\right)^{2}>0$, i.e. the overall variance cannot be less than its externally input component.
In June 2003, the trawl gear on the Africana was changed and a different value for the multiplicative bias factor $q$ is taken to apply to the surveys conducted with the new gear. Calibration experiments have been conducted between the Africana with the old gear (hereafter referred to as the "old Africana") and the Nansen, and between the Africana with the new gear ("new Africana") and the Nansen, in order to provide a basis to relate the multiplicative biases of the Africana with the two types of gear ( $q_{\text {old }}$ and $q_{\text {new }}$ ). A GLM analysis assuming negative binomial distributions for the catches made (Brandão et al., 2004) provides the following estimates:

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\Delta \ell n q^{\text {capensis }}=-0.494 & \text { with } \sigma_{\Delta \ell n q^{\text {capensis }}}=0.141 \text { and } \\
\Delta \ell n q^{\text {paradoxus }}=-0.053 & \text { with } \sigma_{\Delta \ell n q^{\text {paradoxus }}}=0.117
\end{array}
$$

where
$\ell n q_{\text {new }}^{i}=\ell n q_{\text {old }}^{i}+\Delta \ell n q^{i}$ with $i=$ capensis or paradoxus
No plausible explanation has yet been found on the particularly large extent to which catch efficiency for M. capensis is estimated to have decreased for the new research survey trawl net. It was therefore recommended (BENEFIT Workshop, Dec 2004) that the ratio of the catchability of the new to the previous F.R.S. Africana net be below 1, but not as low as the ratio estimated from the calibration experiments. $\Delta \ell n q^{\text {capensis }}$ is therefore taken as 0.8 .

The following contribution is therefore added as a penalty (or a prior in a Bayesian context) to the negative loglikelihood in the assessment:
$-\ell n L^{q-c h}=\left(\ell n q_{\text {new }}-\ell n q_{\text {old }}-\Delta \ell n q\right)^{2} / 2 \sigma_{\Delta \ell n q}^{2}$
This assessment assumes that the change from "old Africana" to "new Africana" involves a change in $q$ alone, i.e. the pattern of age-specific selectivity remains unchanged.

## B.2.3 Commercial catches-at-age

Catches-at-age cannot be disaggregated by species, the model is therefore fitted to the catches-at-age for both species. The contribution of the catch-at-age data to the negative of the log-likelihood function when assuming an "adjusted" lognormal error distribution is given by:
$-\ell \mathrm{n} L^{a g e}=\sum_{i} \sum_{y} \sum_{a}\left\lfloor\ln \left(\sigma_{c o m}^{i} / \sqrt{p_{i y a}}\right)+p_{i y a}\left(\ln p_{i y a}-\ln \hat{p}_{i y a}\right)^{2} / 2\left(\sigma_{c o m}^{i}\right)^{2}\right]$
where
the subscript ' $i$ ' refers to a particular series of catch-at-age data which reflect a specific combination of fleet and coast.
$p_{i y a}=\frac{C_{B S, f y a}}{\sum_{a^{\prime}} C_{B S, f y a^{\prime}}}$ is the observed proportion of fish (M. capensis and M. paradoxus combined) caught by fleet $f$ in year $y$ that are of age $a$,
$\hat{p}_{i y a}=\frac{\hat{C}_{B S, f y a}}{\sum_{a^{\prime}} \hat{C}_{B S, f y a^{\prime}}}=\frac{\sum_{s} \hat{C}_{s, f y a}}{\sum_{a^{\prime}} \sum_{s} \hat{C}_{s, f y a^{\prime}}}$ is the model-predicted proportion of fish caught by fleet $f$ in year $y$ that are of age $a$, where:
$\hat{C}_{s f y a}=N_{s y a} e^{-M_{s a} / 2} S_{s f y a} F_{s f y a}$
and
$\sigma_{c o m}^{i}$ is the standard deviation associated with the catch-at-age data, which is estimated in the fitting procedure by:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{\sigma}_{c o m}^{i}=\sqrt{\sum_{y} \sum_{a} p_{y, a}^{i}\left(\ln p_{y, a}^{i}-\ln \hat{p}_{y, a}^{i}\right)^{2} / \sum_{y} \sum_{a} 1} \tag{B29}
\end{equation*}
$$

The log-normal error distribution underlying equation B27 is chosen on the grounds that (assuming no ageing error) variability is likely dominated by a combination of interannual variation in the distribution of fishing effort, and fluctuations (partly as a consequence of such variations) in selectivity-at-age, which suggests that the assumption of a constant coefficient of variation is appropriate. However, for ages poorly represented in the sample, sampling variability considerations must at some stage start to dominate the variance. To take this into account in a simple manner, motivated by multinomial distribution properties, Punt (pers. commn) advocates weighting by the observed proportions (as in equation B27) so that undue importance is not attached to data based upon a few samples only.

Commercial catches-at-age are incorporated in the likelihood function using equation B27, for which the summation over age $a$ is taken from age $a_{\text {minus }}$ (considered as a minus group) to $a_{p l u s}$ (a plus group). The ages for the minus- and plus-groups are chosen so that typically a few percent, but no more, of the fish sampled fall into these two groups.

## B.2.4 Survey catches-at-age

The survey catches-at-age are incorporated into the negative of the log-likelihood in an analogous manner to the commercial catches-at-age, assuming an adjusted log-normal error distribution (equation B27). In this case however, the data is available disaggregated by species.
$p_{\text {sya }}^{\text {surv }}=C_{\text {sya }}^{\text {surv }} / \sum_{a^{\prime}} C_{s y a^{\prime}}^{\text {surv }}$ is the observed proportion of fish of species $s$ and age $a$ from survey surv in year,
$\hat{p}_{s y a}^{\text {surv }} \quad$ is the expected proportion of fish of species $s$ and age $a$ in year $y$ in the survey surv, given by:
$\hat{p}_{s y a}^{\text {surv }}=\frac{S_{s a}^{\text {surv }} N_{\text {sya }}}{\sum_{a^{\prime}=0}^{m_{s}} S_{\text {sa' }}^{\text {surv }} N_{\text {sya' }}}$
for begin-year (summer) surveys, or
$\hat{p}_{s y a}^{s u r v}=\frac{S_{s a}^{s u r v} N_{s y a} e^{-Z_{s y a} / 2}}{\sum_{a^{\prime}=0}^{m_{s}} S_{s a^{\prime}}^{s u r v} N_{s y a^{\prime}} e^{-Z_{s y a^{\prime}} / 2}}$
for mid-year (winter) surveys.

## B2.5 Stock-recruitment function residuals

The stock-recruitment residuals are assumed to be log-normally distributed and serially correlated. Thus, the contribution of the recruitment residuals to the negative of the log-likelihood function is given by:
$-\ell n L^{S R}=\sum_{s} \sum_{y=y 1+1}^{y 2}\left[\ln \sigma_{R}+\left(\frac{\varsigma_{s y}-\rho \varsigma_{s, y-1}}{\sqrt{1-\rho^{2}}}\right)^{2} / 2 \sigma_{R}^{2}\right]$
where
$\varsigma_{s y}=\rho \varsigma_{s, y-1}+\sqrt{1-\rho^{2}} \varepsilon_{s y}$ is the recruitment residual for species $s$, and year $y$, which is estimated for year $y 1$ to $y 2$ (see equation B4),
$\varepsilon_{s y} \quad$ from $N\left(0,\left(\sigma_{R}\right)^{2}\right)$
$\sigma_{R} \quad$ is the standard deviation of the log-residuals, which is input, and
$\rho \quad$ is the serial correlation coefficient, which is input.
In the interest of simplicity, equation B30 omits a term in $\varsigma_{s, y 1}$ for the case when serial correlation is assumed ( $\rho \neq 0$ ), which is generally of little quantitative consequence to values estimated (Cryer, 1986).

## B. 3 Model parameters

## B3.1 Estimable parameters

While in the case of the species-combined CPUE, $q_{C 1}^{i}, q_{C 2}^{i}, q_{P}^{i}$ and $\gamma$ are directly estimated in the fitting procedure.
In addition to the species-specific virgin spawning biomass $\left(K_{s}^{s p}\right)$ and "steepness" of the stock-recruitment relationship $\left(h_{s}\right)$, the following parameters are also estimated in some of the model fits undertaken.

## B3.1.1 Natural mortality:

Natural mortality ( $M_{s a}$ ) is assumed either to be independent of age or age-specific, and input (fixed) or estimated using the following functional form in the latter case:
$M_{s a}=\left\{\begin{array}{cll}M_{s 2} & \text { for } & a \leq 1 \\ \alpha_{s}^{M}+\frac{\beta_{s}^{M}}{a+1} & \text { for } & a \geq 2\end{array}\right.$
$M_{s 0}$ and $M_{s 1}$ are set equal to $M_{s 2}\left(=\alpha_{s}^{M}+\beta_{s}^{M} / 3\right)$ as there are no data (hake of ages younger than 2 are rare in catch and survey data) which would allow independent estimation of $M_{s 0}$ and $M_{s l}$.

## B3.1.2 Fishing selectivity-at-age:

The fishing selectivity-at-age for each species and fleet, $S_{s f a}$, is either estimated directly:
$S_{s f a}=\left\{\begin{array}{cl}\text { estimated separately } & \text { for } a \leq a_{\text {est }} \\ =1 & \text { for } a>a_{\text {est }}\end{array}\right.$
or in terms of a logistic curve given by:
$S_{s f a}=\left\{\begin{array}{cc}0 & \text { for } a=0 \\ {\left[1+\exp \left(-\left(a-a_{s f}^{c}\right) / \delta_{s f}^{c}\right)\right]^{-1}} & \text { for } a \geq 1\end{array}\right.$
where
$a_{s f}^{c}$ years is the age-at- $50 \%$ selectivity,
$\delta_{s f}^{c}$ year $^{-1}$ defines the steepness of the ascending limb of the selectivity curve.
The selectivity is sometimes modified to include a decrease in selectivity at older ages, as follows:
$S_{s f a} \rightarrow S_{s f a} \exp \left(-s_{s f a}\left(a-a_{\text {slope }}\right)\right)$ for $a>a_{\text {slope }}$,
where
$s_{\text {sfa }}$ measures the rate of decrease in selectivity with age for fish older than $a_{\text {slope }}$ for the fleet concerned, and is referred to as the "selectivity slope".

Time dependence may be incorporated into these specification, so that $S_{s f a} \rightarrow S_{s f y a}$.

## B3.2 Input parameters

## B3.2.1 Age-at-maturity:

The proportion of fish of species $s$ age $a$ that are mature is approximated by

$$
f_{s a}= \begin{cases}0 & \text { for } a<a_{s}^{\text {mat }}  \tag{B37}\\ 1 & \text { for } a \geq a_{s}^{\text {mat }}\end{cases}
$$

where $a_{s}^{\text {mat }}=4$ for the M. capensis and M. paradoxus stocks (Punt and Leslie, 1991).

## B3.2.2 Weight-at-age:

The weight-at-age (begin and mid-year) for each species is calculated from the combination of the von Bertalanffy growth equation and the mass-at-length function.

## Appendix C - Further Results for the Reference Set

Table C1: Estimates of management quantities of the M. paradoxus and M. capensis coast-combined resources for the Reference Set. MSY and associated quantities are given in relation to the selectivity for the offshore fleet.


Table C1: continued


Table C1: continued


Table C2: Log-likelihood contributions for the Reference Set.

|  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | M1 | M1 | M1 | M1 | M4 | M4 | M4 | M4 | M1 | M1 | M1 | M1 | M4 | M4 | M4 | M4 |
|  |  | C3 | C3 | C3 | C3 | C3 | C3 | C3 | C3 | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b |
|  |  | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 |
|  |  | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 | SR1 |
| -lnL: Total |  | -175.8 | -167.8 | -169.5 | -159.7 | -185.6 | -179.6 | -184.9 | -178.2 | -175.4 | -168.2 | -168.8 | -160.6 | -185.8 | -179.9 | -184.7 | -178.5 |
| -lnL: CPUE | WC historic (spp combined) | -10.0 | -9.8 | -9.2 | -8.6 | -10.0 | -9.9 | -9.8 | -9.9 | -10.1 | -10.0 | -9.2 | -9.0 | -10.1 | -10.0 | -10.0 | -9.8 |
|  | SC historic (spp combined) | -29.4 | -27.9 | -29.6 | -27.3 | -29.5 | -28.6 | -29.6 | -28.5 | -29.1 | -28.4 | -29.5 | -28.1 | -29.3 | -28.7 | -29.4 | -28.7 |
|  | M. paradoxus GLM | -41.6 | -41.9 | -41.7 | -41.9 | -42.4 | -43.0 | -42.2 | -42.9 | -41.6 | -41.9 | -41.7 | -42.0 | -42.3 | -43.1 | -42.3 | -43.0 |
|  | M. capensis GLM | -41.7 | -41.6 | -38.2 | -37.1 | -43.7 | -43.8 | -42.5 | -42.5 | -41.5 | -41.4 | -37.8 | -37.0 | -43.6 | -43.7 | -42.4 | -42.3 |
| -lnL: Survey | M. paradoxus, WC summer | -8.0 | -7.4 | -8.1 | -7.4 | -8.6 | -8.7 | -8.6 | -8.7 | -7.9 | -7.4 | -8.1 | -7.4 | -8.6 | -8.7 | -8.6 | -8.7 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC winter | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC Nansen | -1.8 | -1.7 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -1.7 | -1.8 | -1.7 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC spring | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.6 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC autumn | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 |
|  | M. capensis, WC summer | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -2.0 | -2.1 | -2.1 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -2.0 | -1.9 | -2.1 | -2.1 |
|  | M. capensis, WC winter | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
|  | M. capensis, WC Nansen | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 |
|  | M. capensis, SC spring | -1.6 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.4 | -1.4 |
|  | M. capensis, SC autumn | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.9 | -7.8 | -7.7 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.8 | -7.8 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.6 | -7.6 |
| -lnL: commercial CAA | species combined, offshore | -38.9 | -35.2 | -39.3 | -35.7 | -42.5 | -39.4 | -42.6 | -39.8 | -39.0 | -35.2 | -39.3 | -35.6 | -42.1 | -39.5 | -42.6 | -39.8 |
|  | M. capensis, inshore | -22.5 | -22.7 | -21.0 | -21.7 | -25.5 | -25.9 | -26.6 | -26.8 | -22.4 | -22.5 | -20.9 | -21.4 | -26.3 | -25.7 | -26.6 | -26.7 |
|  | M. capensis, longline | -14.4 | -14.6 | -12.9 | -13.6 | -15.3 | -15.5 | -15.6 | -15.6 | -14.3 | -14.3 | -12.8 | -13.3 | -15.6 | -15.5 | -15.6 | -15.6 |
| -lnL: survey CAA | M. paradoxus, WC summer | -16.5 | -16.4 | -16.3 | -16.4 | -15.6 | -15.3 | -15.6 | -15.3 | -16.5 | -16.4 | -16.3 | -16.4 | -15.7 | -15.3 | -15.7 | -15.3 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC Nansen | -10.9 | -11.0 | -11.0 | -11.0 | -11.0 | -10.9 | -11.0 | -10.8 | -10.9 | -11.0 | -11.0 | -11.0 | -11.0 | -10.9 | -11.0 | -10.9 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC spring | -4.2 | -3.3 | -4.3 | -3.3 | -3.6 | -2.5 | -3.7 | -2.6 | -4.2 | -3.3 | -4.3 | -3.3 | -3.6 | -2.5 | -3.7 | -2.5 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC autumn | 28.8 | 29.5 | 28.9 | 29.5 | 28.3 | 29.3 | 28.4 | 29.4 | 28.8 | 29.5 | 28.9 | 29.5 | 28.3 | 29.3 | 28.4 | 29.4 |
|  | M. capensis, WC summer | 83.6 | 83.6 | 83.5 | 83.7 | 83.9 | 84.0 | 84.2 | 84.2 | 83.6 | 83.6 | 83.5 | 83.7 | 84.1 | 83.9 | 84.2 | 84.3 |
|  | M. capensis, WC winter | 7.0 | 7.1 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.6 | 7.7 |
|  | M. capensis, WC Nansen | -6.0 | -5.9 | -6.0 | -6.0 | -5.9 | -5.9 | -5.9 | -5.8 | -6.0 | -6.0 | -6.1 | -6.0 | -5.9 | -5.9 | -5.9 | -5.8 |
|  | M. capensis, SC spring | -8.7 | -8.7 | -8.8 | -8.8 | -9.0 | -9.1 | -9.3 | -9.3 | -8.7 | -8.7 | -8.8 | -8.8 | -9.2 | -9.1 | -9.3 | -9.3 |
|  | M. capensis, SC autumn | -29.9 | -29.9 | -29.5 | -29.4 | -29.7 | -29.5 | -29.3 | -29.2 | -29.9 | -29.9 | -29.5 | -29.4 | -29.4 | -29.5 | -29.2 | -29.2 |
| Recruit residual penalty |  | 15.5 | 16.0 | 15.4 | 15.9 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 15.5 | 15.8 | 15.4 | 16.0 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 14.9 | 15.0 |

Table C2: continued

|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline 17 \\ \text { M1 } \\ \text { C3c } \\ \text { H1 } \\ \text { SR1 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 18 \\ \mathrm{M} 1 \\ \mathrm{C} 3 \mathrm{c} \\ \mathrm{H} 2 \\ \mathrm{SR} 1 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 19 \\ \text { M1 } \\ \text { C3c } \\ \text { H3 } \\ \text { SR1 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 20 \\ \text { M1 } \\ \text { C3c } \\ \text { H4 } \\ \text { SR1 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 21 \\ \text { M4 } \\ \text { C3c } \\ \text { H1 } \\ \text { SR1 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 22 \\ \text { M4 } \\ \mathrm{C} 3 \mathrm{c} \\ \mathrm{H} 2 \\ \mathrm{SR} 1 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 23 \\ \mathrm{M} 4 \\ \mathrm{C} 3 \mathrm{c} \\ \mathrm{H} 3 \\ \mathrm{SR} 1 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 24 <br> M4 <br> C3c <br> H4 <br> SR1 | $\begin{gathered} \hline 25 \\ \text { M1 } \\ \text { C3a } \\ \text { H1 } \\ \text { SR2 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 26 \\ \text { M1 } \\ \text { C3a } \\ \text { H2 } \\ \text { SR2 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 27 \\ \text { M1 } \\ \text { C3a } \\ \text { H3 } \\ \text { SR2 } \end{gathered}$ | 28 <br> M1 <br> C3a <br> H4 <br> SR2 | $\begin{gathered} \hline 29 \\ \text { M4 } \\ \text { C3a } \\ \text { H1 } \\ \text { SR2 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 30 \\ \text { M4 } \\ \mathrm{C} 3 \mathrm{a} \\ \mathrm{H} 2 \\ \mathrm{SR} 2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 31 \\ \text { M4 } \\ \text { C3a } \\ \text { H3 } \\ \text { SR2 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 32 \\ \mathrm{M} 4 \\ \mathrm{C} 3 \mathrm{a} \\ \mathrm{H} 4 \\ \mathrm{SR} 2 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text {-lnL: Total } \\ & \text {-lnL: CPUE } \end{aligned}$ |  | -176.4 | -165.6 | -173.6 | -162.8 | -185.9 | -177.3 | -185.9 | -177.3 | -169.5 | -161.4 | -163.2 | -153.2 | -179.5 | -173.2 | -178.5 | -171.8 |
|  | WC historic (spp combined) | -9.5 | -7.0 | -9.4 | -6.6 | -9.3 | -6.7 | -9.3 | -6.7 | -10.0 | -9.8 | -9.2 | -8.6 | -10.1 | -9.9 | -9.9 | -9.9 |
|  | SC historic (spp combined) | -29.7 | -28.2 | -29.8 | -28.3 | -29.9 | -29.4 | -29.9 | -29.4 | -29.4 | -27.9 | -29.6 | -27.3 | -29.5 | -28.6 | -29.6 | -28.5 |
|  | M. paradoxus GLM | -41.7 | -41.5 | -41.6 | -41.5 | -42.2 | -42.8 | -42.2 | -42.8 | -41.7 | -42.0 | -41.8 | -42.1 | -42.3 | -43.2 | -42.2 | -43.0 |
|  | M. capensis GLM | -43.9 | -43.5 | -40.8 | -40.6 | -43.7 | -43.7 | -43.6 | -43.6 | -41.7 | -41.6 | -38.2 | -37.1 | -43.6 | -43.8 | -42.5 | -42.5 |
| -lnL: Survey | M. paradoxus, WC summer | -8.0 | -7.6 | -8.0 | -7.5 | -8.7 | -8.9 | -8.7 | -8.9 | -8.0 | -7.5 | -8.1 | -7.5 | -8.7 | -8.8 | -8.7 | -8.8 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC winter | -4.0 | -3.9 | -4.0 | -3.9 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC Nansen | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -2.0 | -1.9 | -2.0 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC spring | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.7 | -0.6 | -0.7 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC autumn | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.7 |
|  | M. capensis, WC summer | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.7 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -2.0 | -2.0 |
|  | M. capensis, WC winter | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
|  | M. capensis, WC Nansen | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 |
|  | M. capensis, SC spring | -1.6 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.4 |
|  | M. capensis, SC autumn | -7.6 | -7.5 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.8 | -7.8 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 |
| -lnL: commercial CAA | species combined, offshore | -38.7 | -35.3 | -39.2 | -36.0 | -42.6 | -40.2 | -42.7 | -40.3 | -38.9 | -35.2 | -39.3 | -35.7 | -42.1 | -39.4 | -42.6 | -39.7 |
|  | M. capensis, inshore | -21.3 | -22.1 | -21.4 | -21.5 | -25.9 | -25.8 | -25.9 | -25.9 | -22.4 | -22.7 | -20.9 | -21.6 | -26.2 | -25.8 | -26.6 | -26.7 |
|  | M. capensis, longline | -13.4 | -14.2 | -13.3 | -13.4 | -15.5 | -15.5 | -15.5 | -15.5 | -14.4 | -14.6 | -12.9 | -13.6 | -15.6 | -15.6 | -15.6 | -15.7 |
| -lnL: survey CAA | M. paradoxus, WC summer | -16.4 | -16.2 | -16.4 | -16.2 | -15.5 | -15.0 | -15.5 | -15.0 | -11.8 | -11.6 | -11.6 | -11.5 | -10.9 | -10.5 | -10.9 | -10.5 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC Nansen | -10.9 | -11.0 | -11.0 | -11.1 | -10.9 | -10.8 | -10.9 | -10.8 | -11.7 | -11.8 | -11.7 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC spring | -4.3 | -3.4 | -4.3 | -3.4 | -3.7 | -2.5 | -3.7 | -2.5 | -4.2 | -3.2 | -4.2 | -3.2 | -3.6 | -2.5 | -3.7 | -2.5 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC autumn | 28.9 | 29.5 | 28.9 | 29.5 | 28.4 | 29.4 | 28.4 | 29.4 | 30.2 | 30.9 | 30.2 | 30.9 | 29.7 | 30.8 | 29.7 | 30.9 |
|  | M. capensis, WC summer | 83.1 | 83.2 | 83.3 | 83.4 | 83.8 | 83.8 | 83.8 | 83.8 | 83.8 | 83.9 | 83.8 | 84.0 | 84.3 | 84.2 | 84.4 | 84.5 |
|  | M. capensis, WC winter | 6.4 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.6 | 7.7 |
|  | M. capensis, WC Nansen | -6.0 | -6.0 | -6.0 | -6.0 | -5.9 | -5.9 | -5.9 | -5.9 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.3 | -6.3 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.2 |
|  | M. capensis, SC spring | -8.7 | -8.7 | -8.8 | -8.8 | -9.1 | -9.1 | -9.2 | -9.2 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -8.0 |
|  | M. capensis, SC autumn | -30.4 | -30.4 | -29.9 | -29.9 | -29.6 | -29.5 | -29.6 | -29.5 | -30.0 | -30.0 | -29.6 | -29.5 | -29.5 | -29.6 | -29.3 | -29.3 |
| Recruit residual penalty |  | 16.0 | 17.2 | 15.3 | 15.9 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 15.0 | 15.3 | 10.9 | 11.1 | 10.7 | 11.0 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 10.2 |

Table C2: continued

|  |  | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | M1 | M1 | M1 | M1 | M4 | M4 | M4 | M4 | M1 | M1 | M1 | M1 | M4 | M4 | M4 | M4 |
|  |  | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3b | C3c | C3c | C3c | C3c | C3c | C3c | C3c | C3c |
|  |  | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 | H1 | H2 | H3 | H4 |
|  |  | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 | SR2 |
| -lnL: Total |  | -169.1 | -161.8 | -162.4 | -154.2 | -179.4 | -173.6 | -178.2 | -172.2 | -170.1 | -159.2 | -167.3 | -156.4 | -179.5 | -171.0 | -179.5 | -170.9 |
| -lnL: CPUE | WC historic (spp combined) | -10.1 | -10.0 | -9.2 | -9.0 | -10.1 | -10.0 | -10.0 | -9.9 | -9.5 | -7.0 | -9.4 | -6.6 | -9.4 | -6.7 | -9.4 | -6.7 |
|  | SC historic (spp combined) | -29.1 | -28.4 | -29.5 | -28.1 | -29.3 | -28.7 | -29.4 | -28.7 | -29.7 | -28.2 | -29.8 | -28.3 | -29.9 | -29.4 | -29.9 | -29.4 |
|  | M. paradoxus GLM | -41.7 | -42.1 | -41.8 | -42.1 | -42.3 | -43.2 | -42.3 | -43.1 | -41.7 | -41.6 | -41.7 | -41.6 | -42.2 | -42.9 | -42.2 | -42.9 |
|  | M. capensis GLM | -41.5 | -41.4 | -37.8 | -37.0 | -43.6 | -43.7 | -42.4 | -42.3 | -43.9 | -43.5 | -40.8 | -40.6 | -43.7 | -43.7 | -43.6 | -43.6 |
| -lnL: Survey | M. paradoxus, WC summer | -8.0 | -7.5 | -8.1 | -7.4 | -8.7 | -8.8 | -8.7 | -8.7 | -8.1 | -7.6 | -8.0 | -7.6 | -8.8 | -9.0 | -8.8 | -9.0 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC winter | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.0 | -3.8 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.1 | -4.0 | -3.9 | -4.0 | -3.9 | -4.1 | -4.2 | -4.1 | -4.2 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC Nansen | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -2.0 | -1.9 | -2.0 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC spring | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 | -0.5 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC autumn | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.6 | 6.8 |
|  | M. capensis, WC summer | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.7 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -1.7 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.8 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -1.9 |
|  | M. capensis, WC winter | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
|  | M. capensis, WC Nansen | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 | -1.4 |
|  | M. capensis, SC spring | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.4 | -1.6 | -1.6 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -1.5 |
|  | M. capensis, SC autumn | -7.8 | -7.8 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.6 | -7.8 | -7.8 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 |
| -lnL: commercial CAA | species combined, offshore | -39.0 | -35.2 | -39.3 | -35.6 | -42.1 | -39.5 | -42.6 | -39.8 | -38.8 | -35.3 | -39.2 | -36.0 | -42.5 | -40.2 | -42.6 | -40.3 |
|  | M. capensis, inshore | -22.3 | -22.4 | -20.9 | -21.4 | -26.2 | -25.6 | -26.6 | -26.6 | -21.2 | -22.1 | -21.3 | -21.4 | -25.8 | -25.8 | -25.8 | -25.8 |
|  | M. capensis, longline | -14.3 | -14.4 | -12.8 | -13.3 | -15.6 | -15.6 | -15.6 | -15.7 | -13.4 | -14.3 | -13.3 | -13.5 | -15.5 | -15.5 | -15.5 | -15.5 |
| -lnL: survey CAA | M. paradoxus, WC summer | -11.8 | -11.6 | -11.6 | -11.6 | -10.9 | -10.5 | -10.9 | -10.5 | -11.7 | -11.4 | -11.7 | -11.4 | -10.8 | -10.2 | -10.8 | -10.2 |
|  | M. paradoxus, WC Nansen | -11.7 | -11.8 | -11.7 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.7 | -11.8 | -11.7 | -11.9 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 | -11.8 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC spring | -4.2 | -3.2 | -4.2 | -3.2 | -3.6 | -2.5 | -3.7 | -2.5 | -4.3 | -3.2 | -4.2 | -3.2 | -3.7 | -2.5 | -3.7 | -2.5 |
|  | M. paradoxus, SC autumn | 30.2 | 30.9 | 30.2 | 30.9 | 29.7 | 30.8 | 29.7 | 30.9 | 30.2 | 30.9 | 30.2 | 30.9 | 29.8 | 30.9 | 29.8 | 30.9 |
|  | M. capensis, WC summer | 83.8 | 83.8 | 83.8 | 83.9 | 84.3 | 84.2 | 84.5 | 84.5 | 83.3 | 83.4 | 83.6 | 83.6 | 84.1 | 84.1 | 84.1 | 84.1 |
|  | M. capensis, WC winter | 6.9 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 6.4 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.1 |
|  | M. capensis, WC Nansen | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.3 | -6.3 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.2 | -6.3 | -6.3 | -6.2 | -6.3 | -6.2 | -6.3 |
|  | M. capensis, SC spring | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.9 | -7.8 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.6 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -7.9 | -7.9 |
|  | M. capensis, SC autumn | -30.0 | -30.0 | -29.6 | -29.5 | -29.5 | -29.6 | -29.3 | -29.2 | -30.5 | -30.5 | -30.0 | -30.0 | -29.6 | -29.6 | -29.7 | -29.6 |
| Recruit residual penalty |  | 10.9 | 11.0 | 10.7 | 11.1 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 11.5 | 12.5 | 10.7 | 11.0 | 10.1 | 10.3 | 10.1 | 10.4 |

