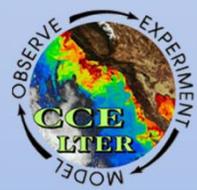


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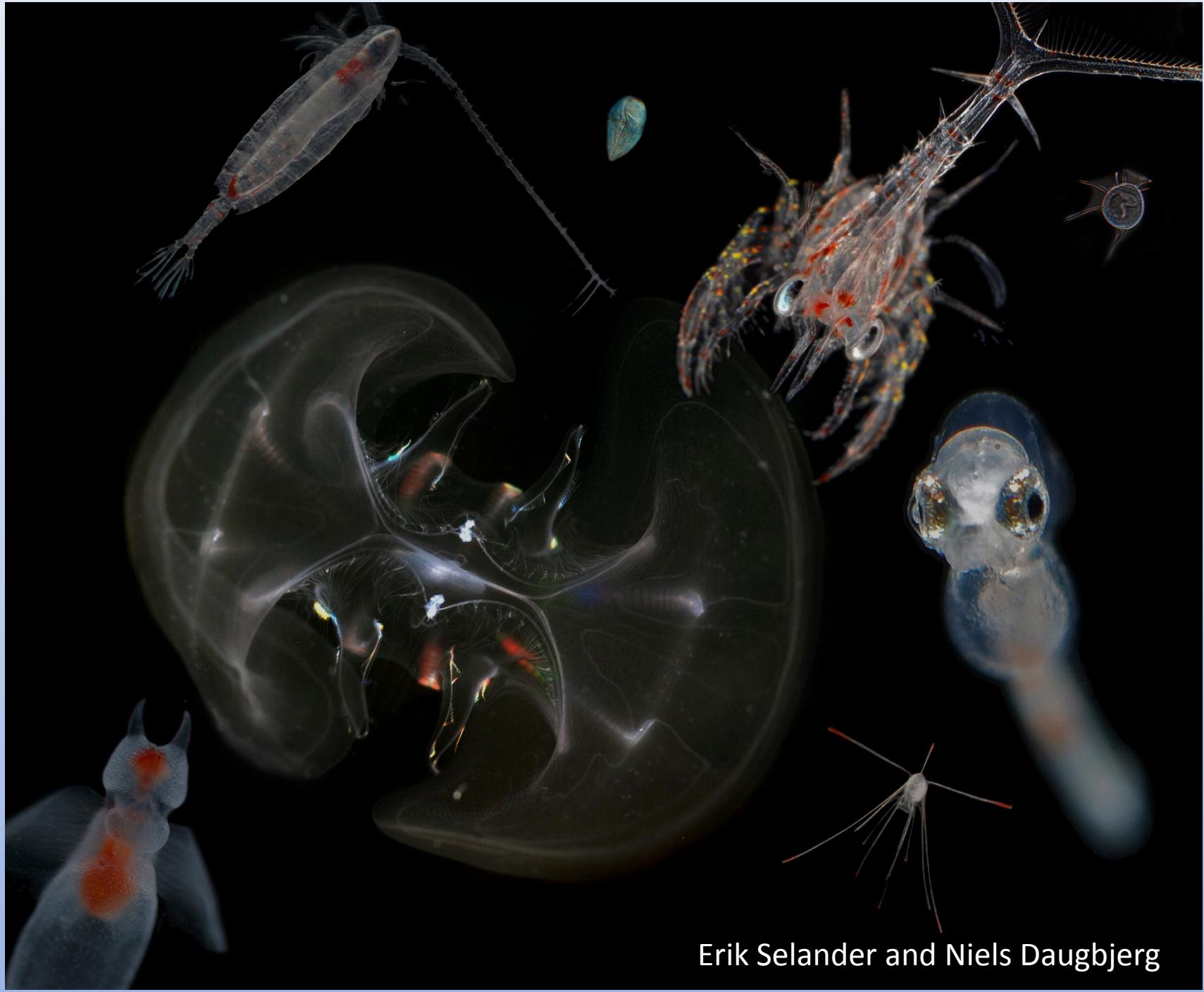
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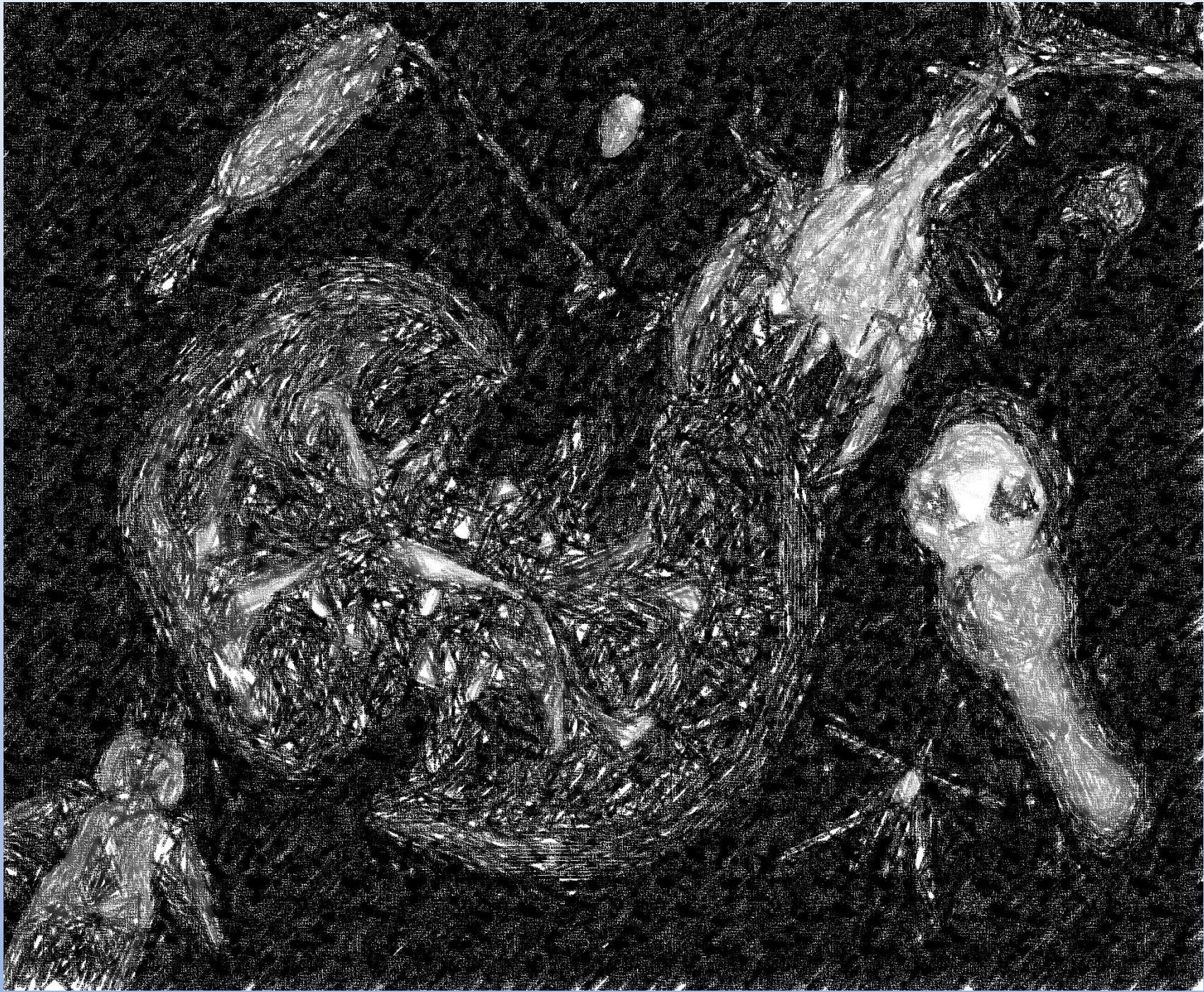
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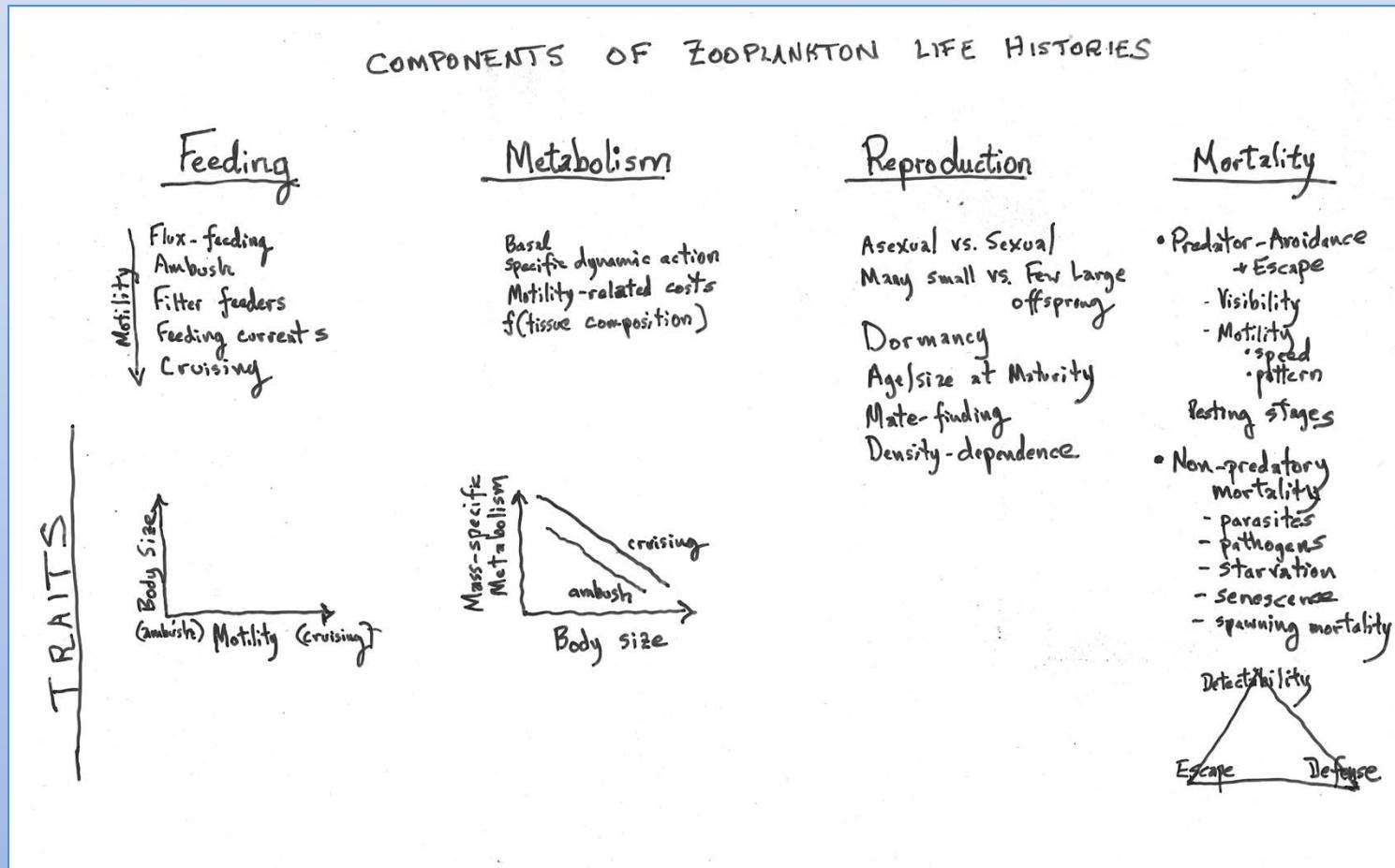
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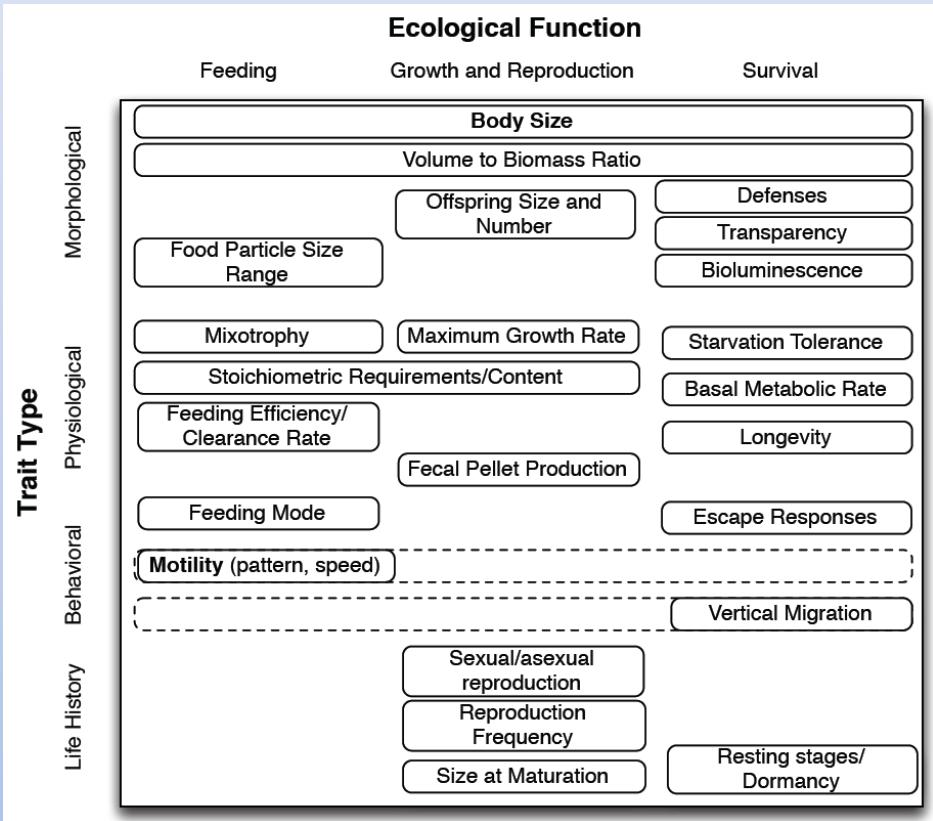
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(synthesis of discussion group on applicability of TBA to the zooplankton,
led by Ohman, Kiørboe, and Litchman)

Zooplankton Traits Framework



Phytoplankton Traits Framework

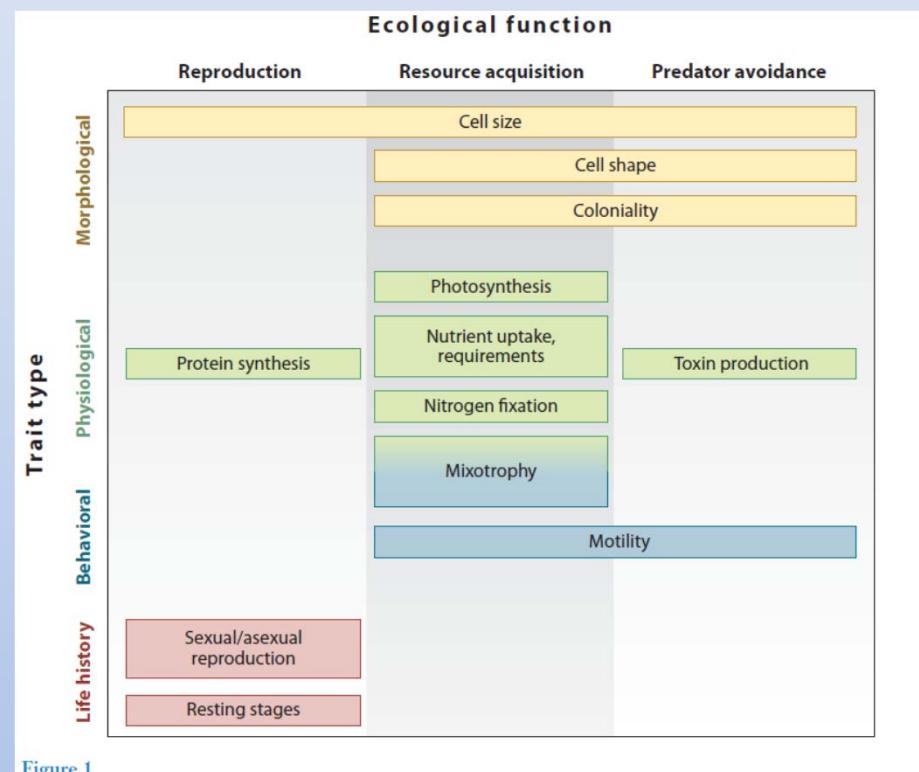
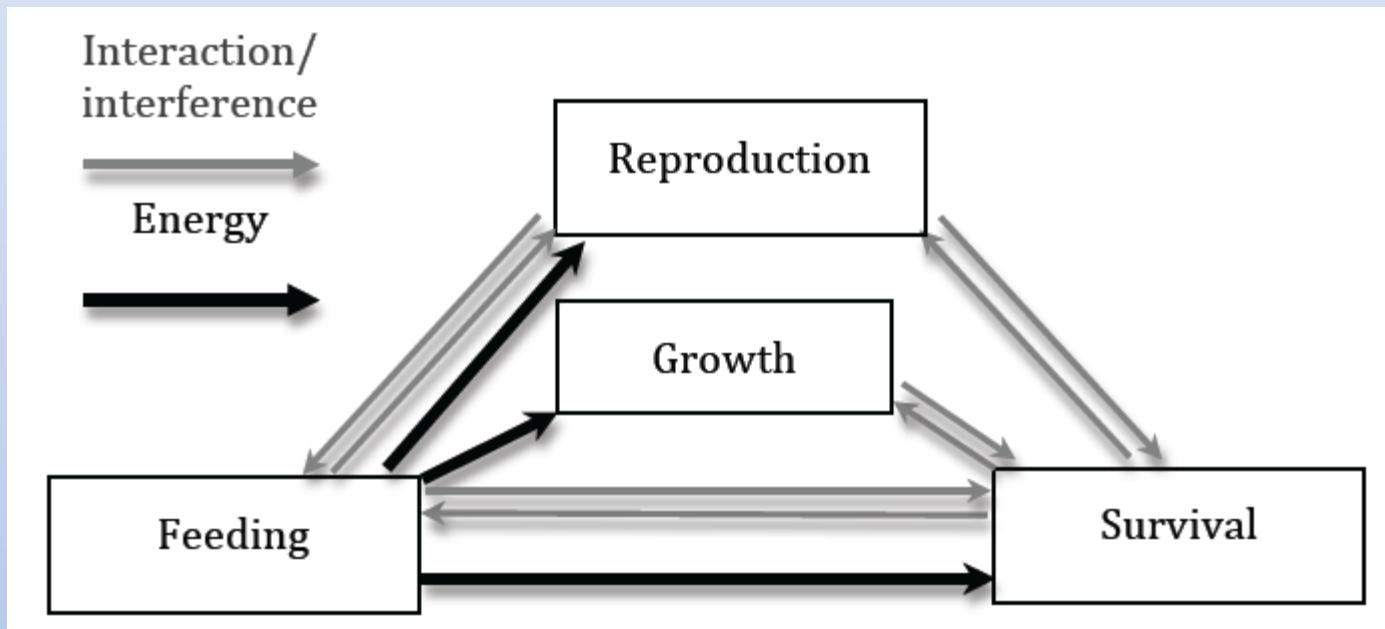


Figure 1

A typology of phytoplankton functional traits.

Litchman, Ohman, & Kiørboe (2013) JPR

Litchman and Klausmeier (2008) ARES



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Trade Offs

Gilliam's rule

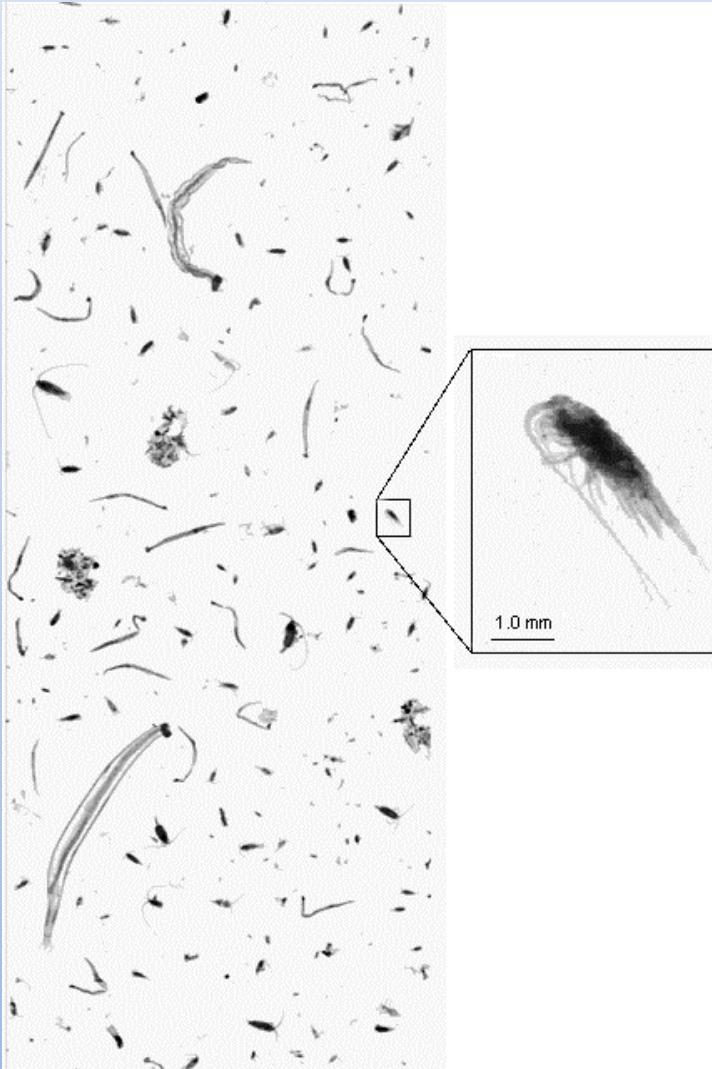
Minimization of:

$$\frac{\mu}{g} = \frac{\text{mortality rate}}{\text{energy gain}}$$

Gilliam and Fraser (1987) *Ecology*

De Robertis (2002) *L&O*

ZooScan + digital image analysis



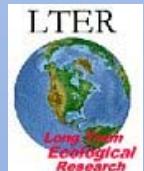
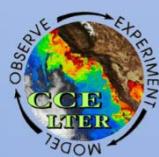
Semi-automatic approach:

Machine Classification
by Random Forest Algorithm



100% Manual validation

Gorsky et al. (2010) JPR



A Master Trait: Body Size

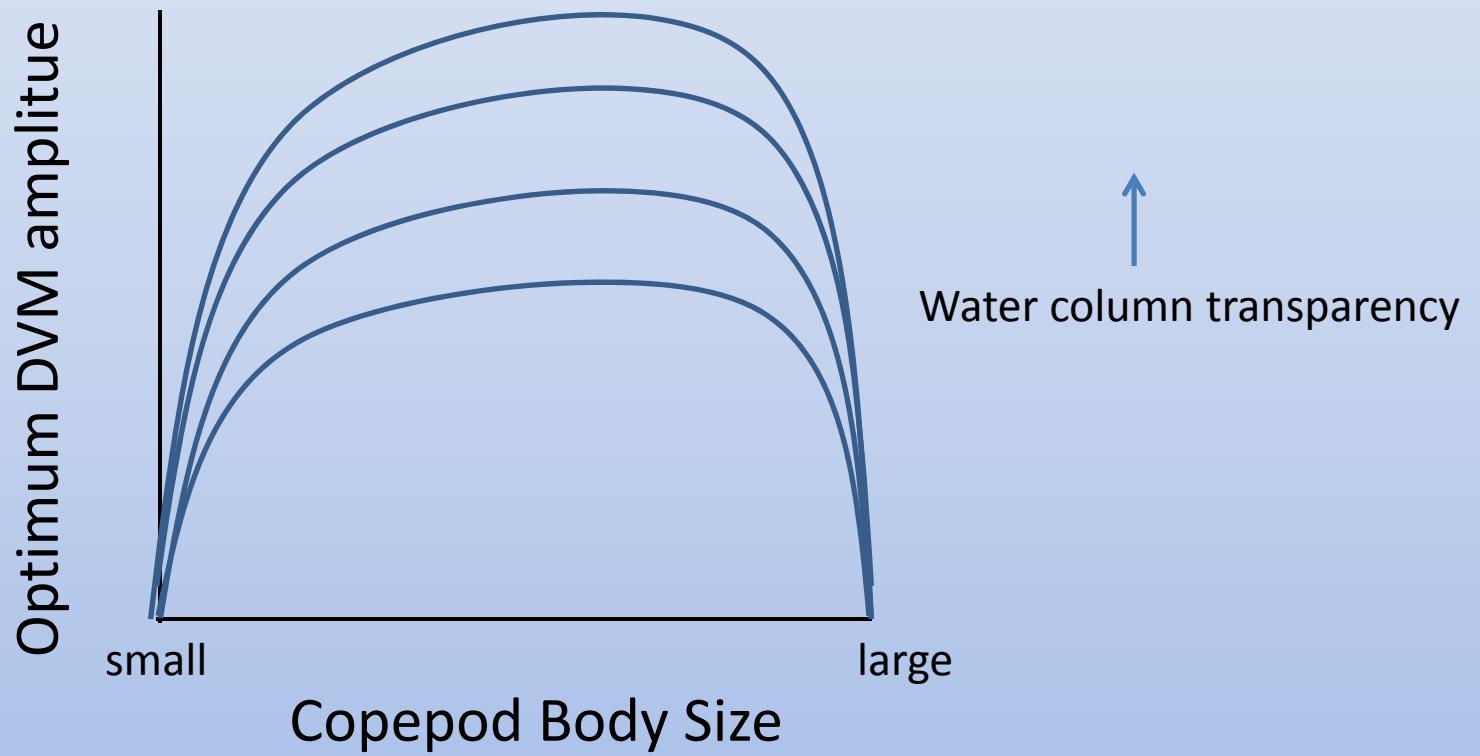


Size spectrum of California Current Copepods
(ZooScan images)



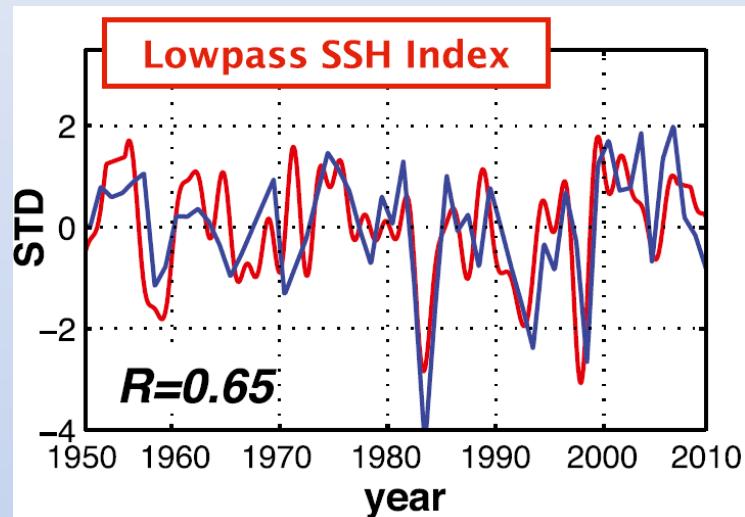
Is Diel Vertical Migration behavior
a $f(\text{copepod body size})$?

(unpublished figures; to be submitted)

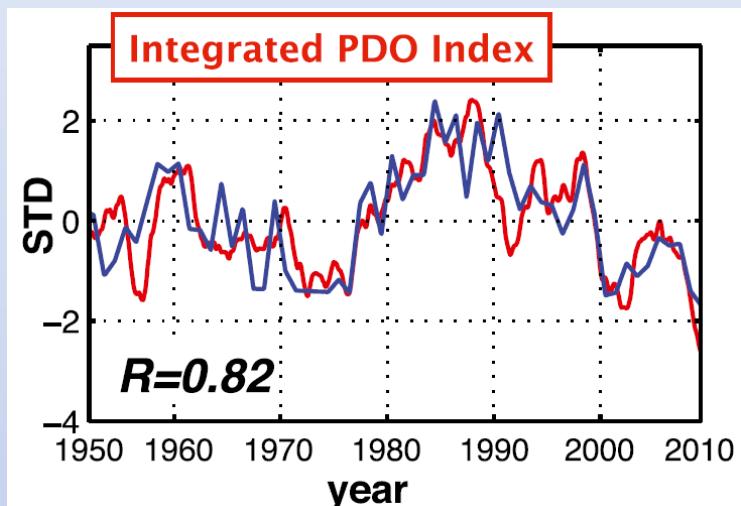


What are the *key traits* that reveal sensitivity to
altered ocean forcing ?

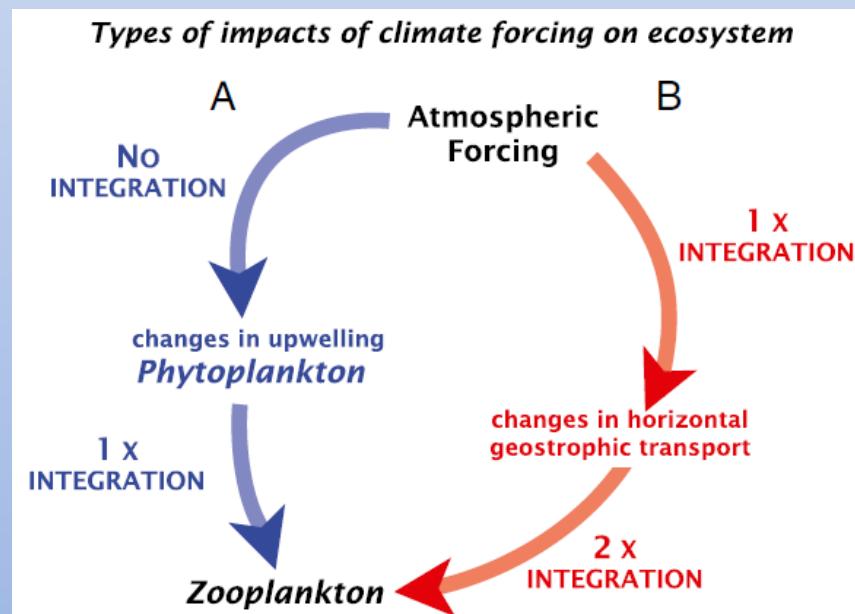
Euphausia pacifica



Nyctiphanes simplex



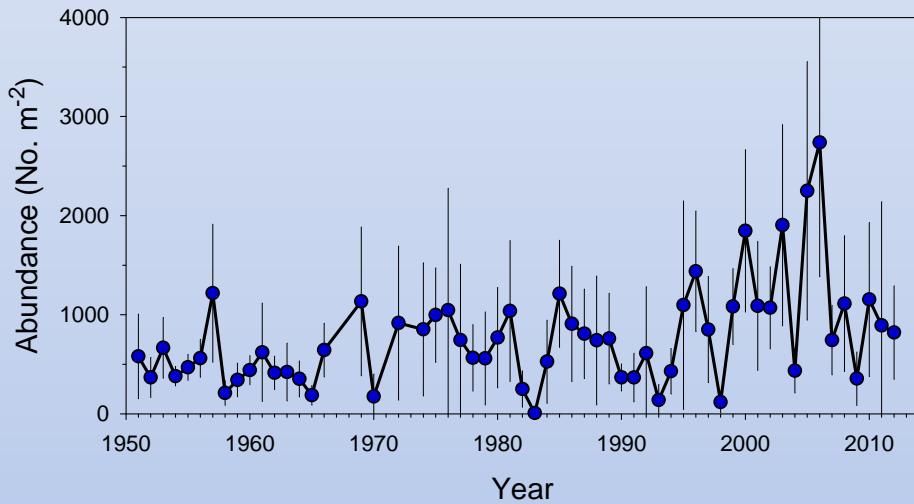
Single
Integration



Di Lorenzo and Ohman (2013) PNAS

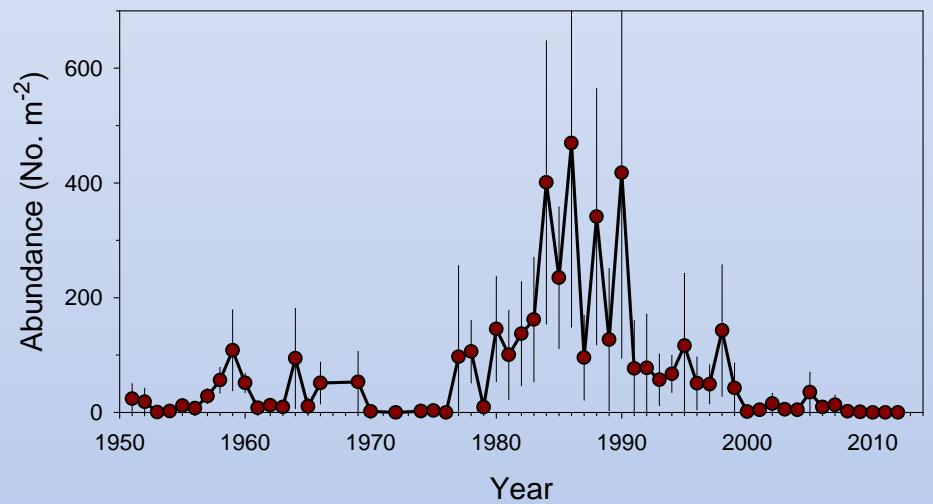
Species Resolution

Euphausia pacifica



Strong interannual variation

Nyctiphanes simplex



Strong multi-decadal variation

source: Brinton–Townsend Euphausiid DB

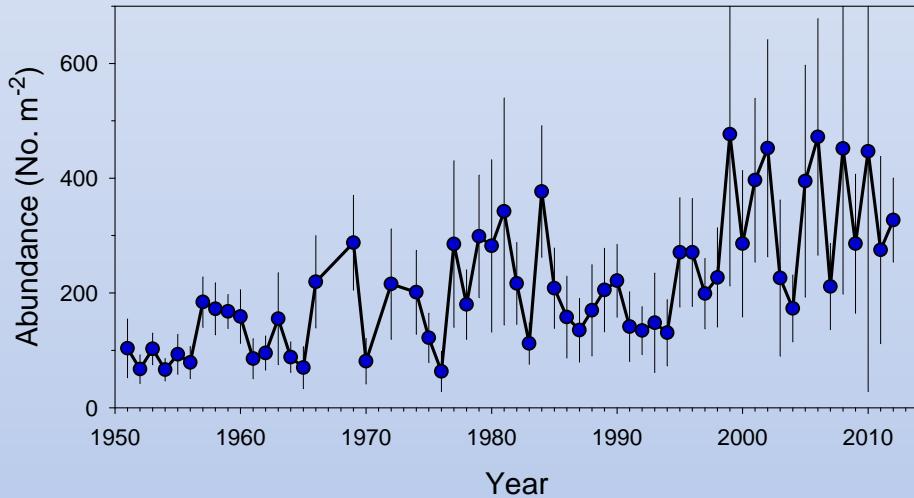


39 spp. of euphausiids in the CCS

Body Size

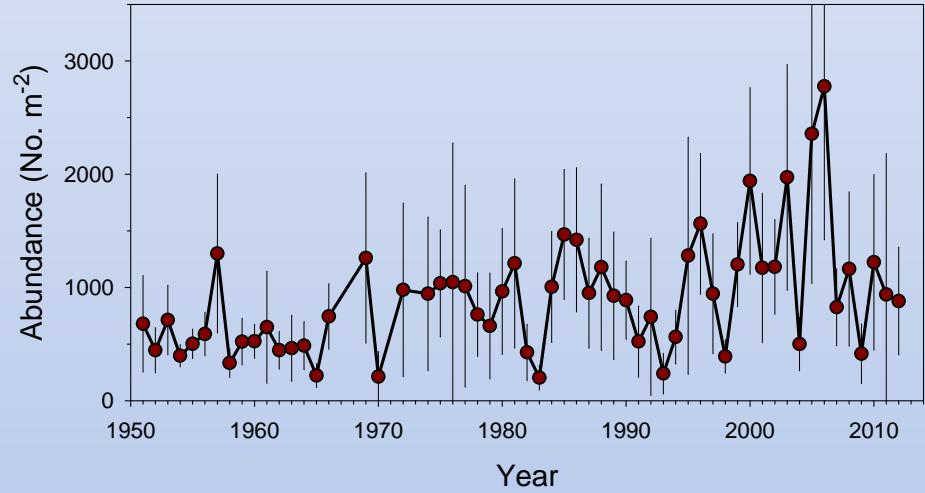
Large-bodied

(≥ 12 mm adults)



Small-bodied

(< 12 mm adults)

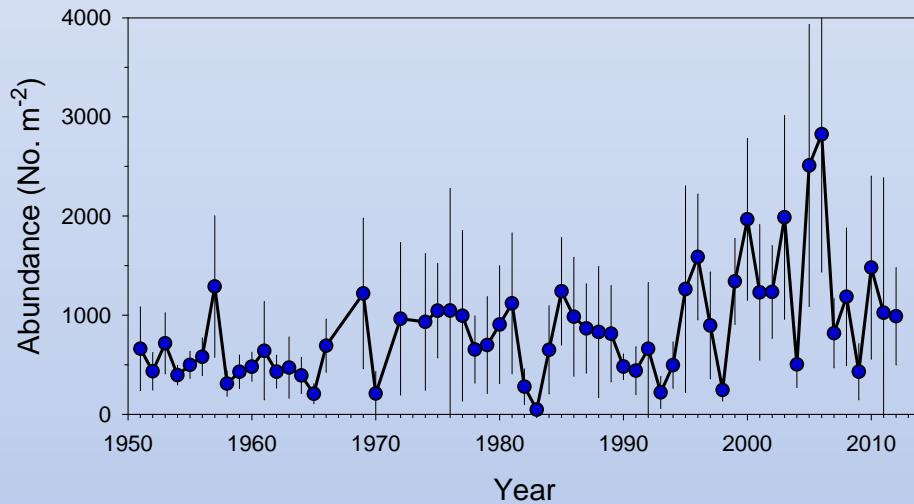


(does not recover the multi-decadal variation)

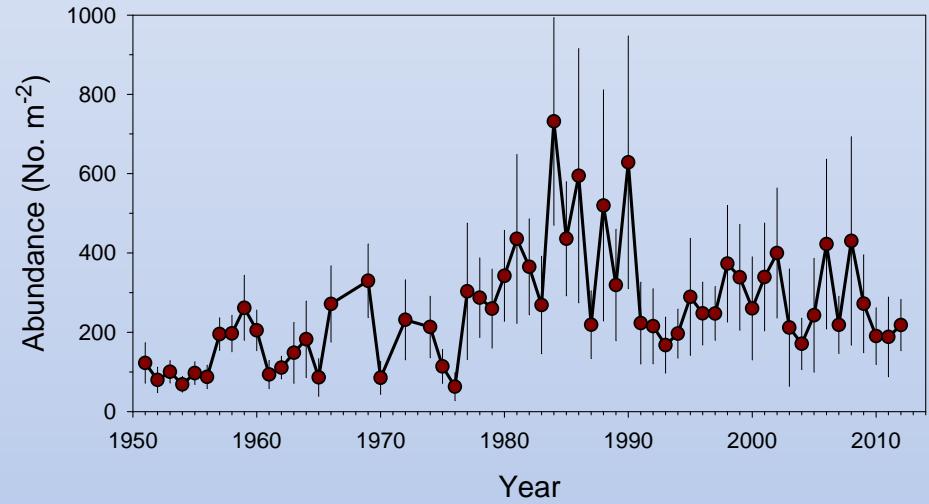
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Reproductive Mode

Broadcast Spawners



Egg Brooders

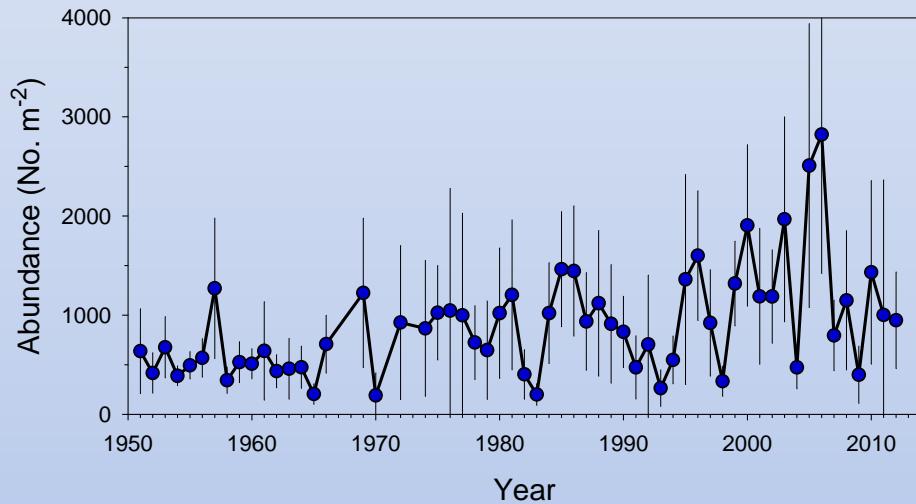


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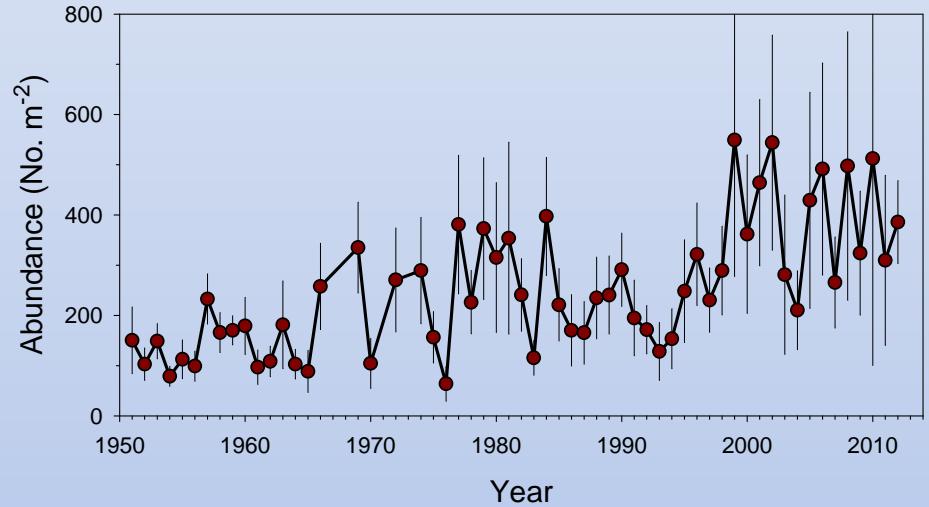
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Eye Shape

Round Eye



Bilobed Eye

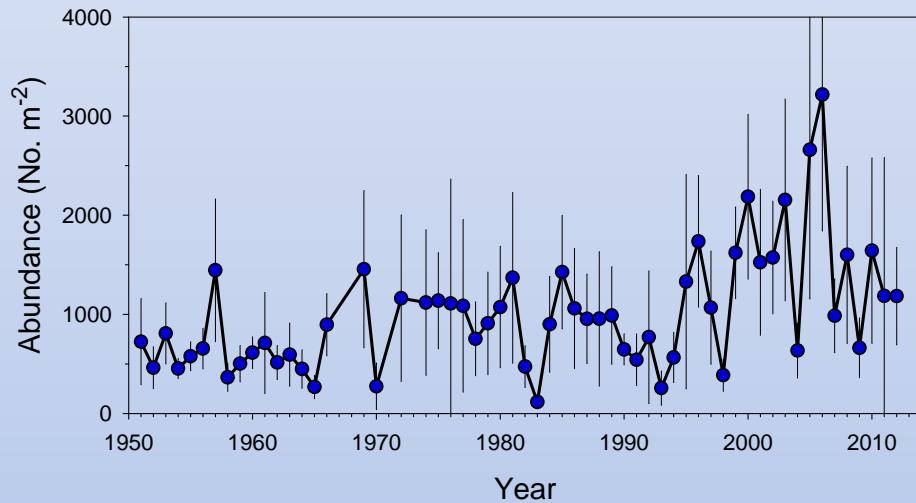


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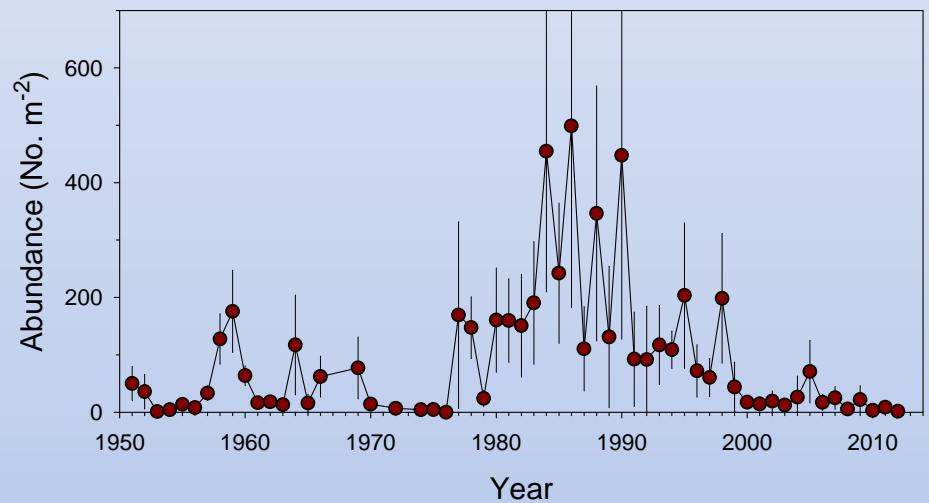
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Biogeography

Cool Water Affinity



Warm Water Affinity



(fully recovers the multi-decadal variation)

What are the **key traits** that define biogeographic affinities?
(leading to a ‘warm water’ or ‘cool water’ species?)

Temp, Food-dependence of:

- metabolism
- somatic growth
- fecundity

Susceptibility to non-visual vs. visual predators

Solve for the key components of Gilliam’s rule

Summary

- Nonlinear dependence of copepod DVM on body size
Size-dependent trade-offs
Non-migratory: small & large
- *DVM:* intermediate-sized
modulated by the ambient light field
- Quest for **key traits** to explain differential responses of euphausiids to climate forcing
- Need for **explicit frameworks** for analyzing trade-offs

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