

Constant F projections under single species assessments of *Sebastes mentella* and *S. fasciatus* in Units 1 and 2

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Results under constant fishing mortality (F) projections for the single species assessments of *S. mentella* and *S. fasciatus* (Rademeyer and Butterworth 2014) are presented in Figure 1. These assume the same commercial selectivities, both by species and by Unit, as applied in the past for the assessment. The following three constant F s have been used:

- 1) $F=0$;
- 2) F =average of 2011-2015 values;
- 3) F =average of 1980-2000 values;
- 4) $F = F_{50\%}$ (i.e. that F which reduces spawner biomass per recruit to 50% of its pristine value); and
- 5) $F = F_{40\%}$ (often used as a proxy for F_{MSY} for US fisheries).

It is important to appreciate that these are **deterministic** projections, i.e. they assume the assessment results are exact, and that future recruitment will each year be the mean of the values since 1980 omitting years of extraordinarily large (peak) recruitment. More elaborate computations would want to reflect the implications of the assessment uncertainty and the variability in future recruitment.

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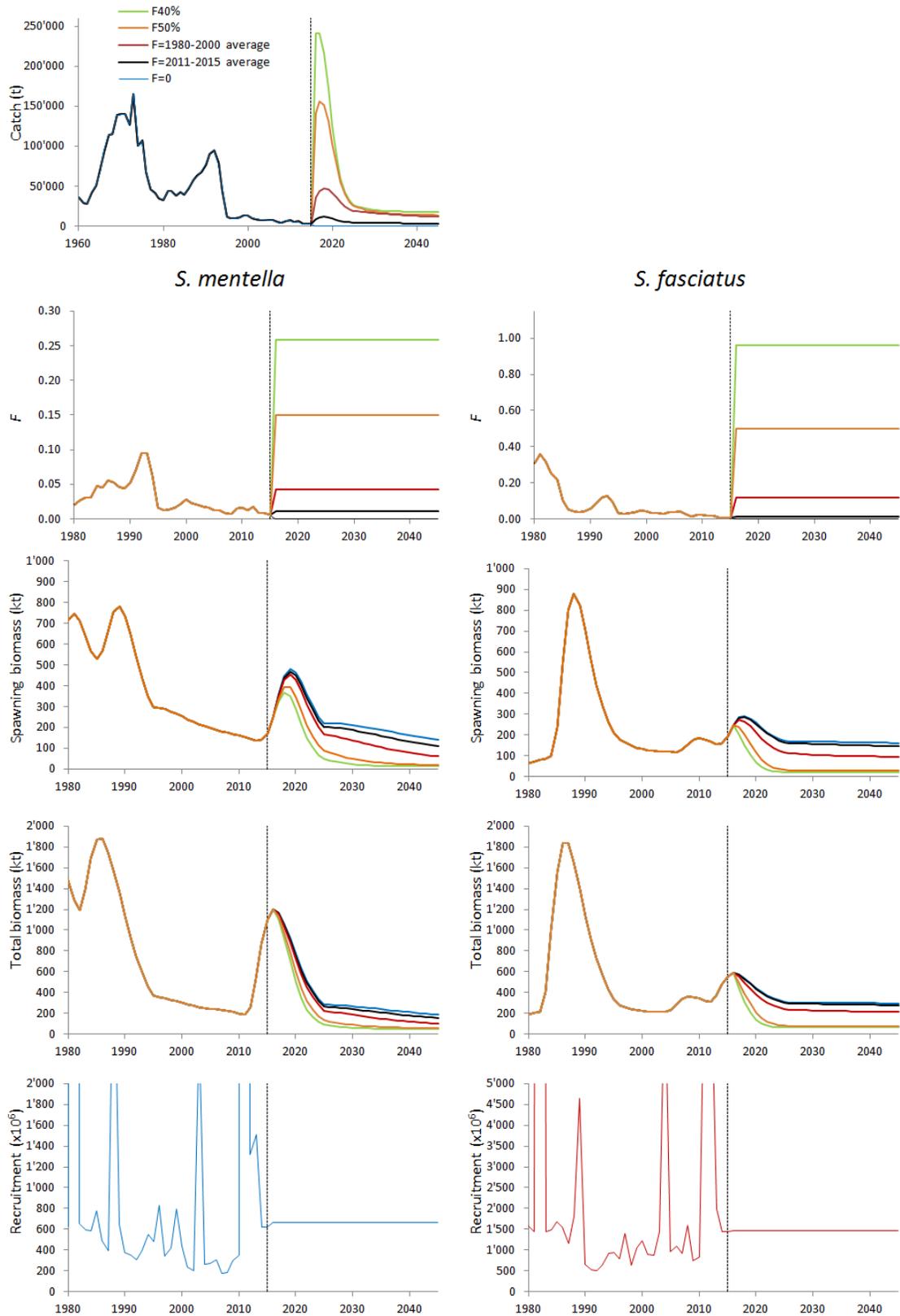


Figure 1: Constant F projection results for single species assessment of *S. mentella* and *S. fasciatus*.