



Renovating the harvest regulation of angling fishery targeting Atlantic salmon in Brittany (France)

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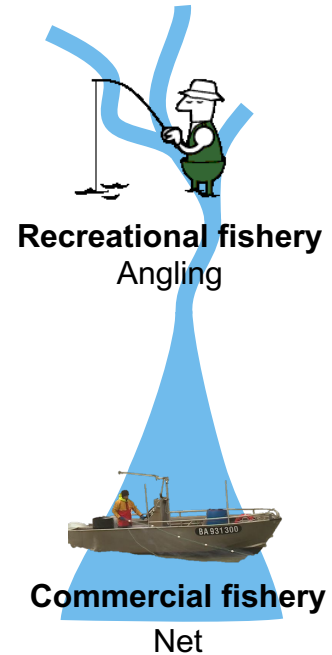
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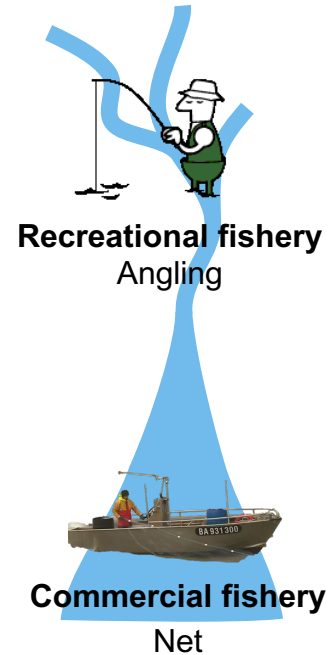
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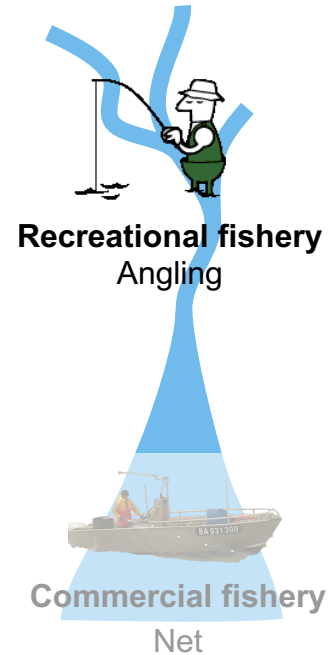
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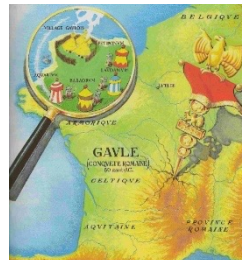
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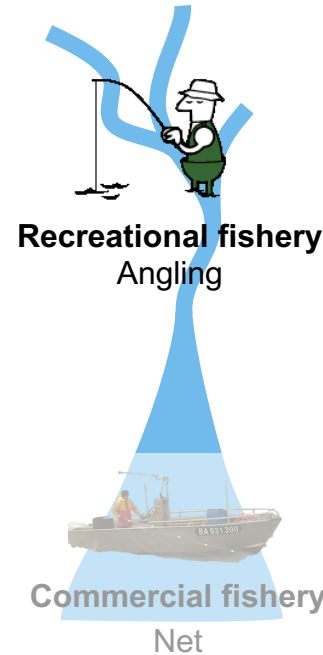
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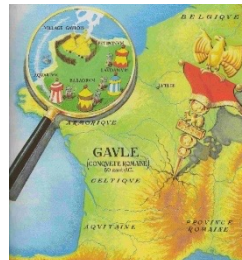
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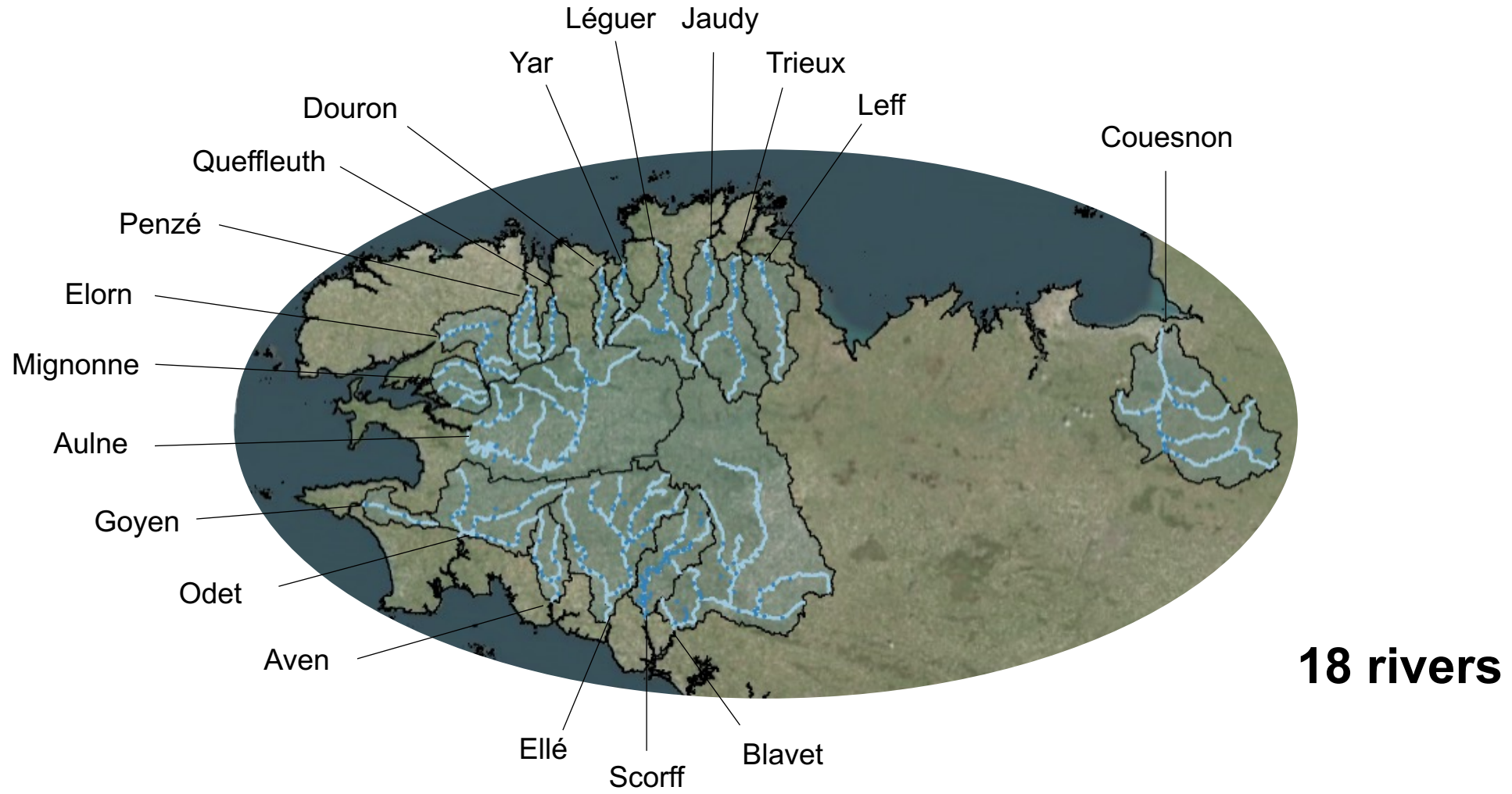
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- . Almost never assessed
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Renovation of the regulatory system (RENOSAUM project)

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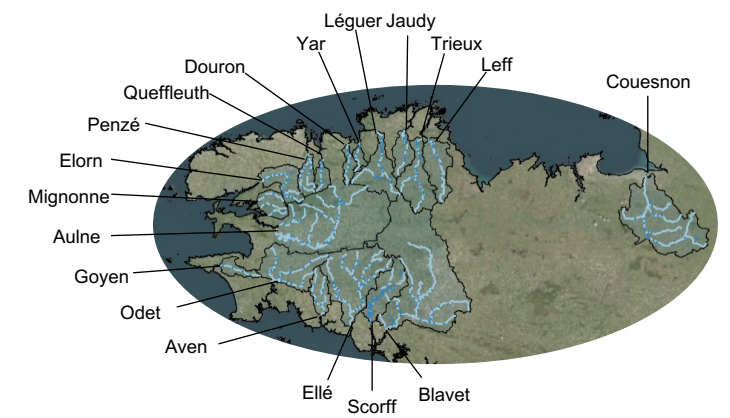
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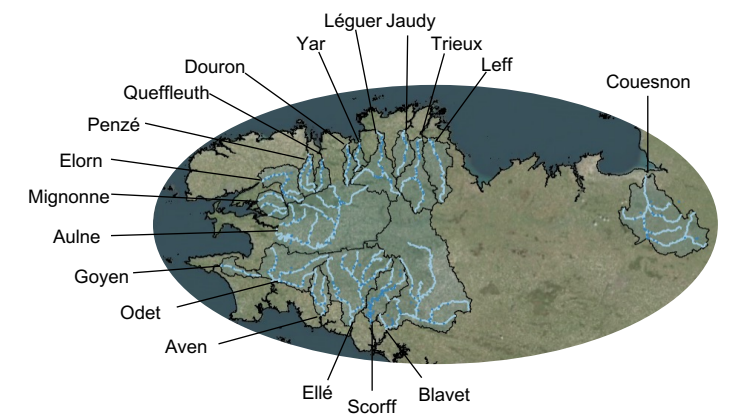


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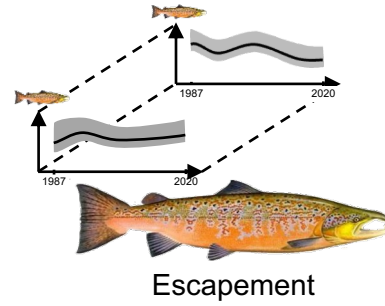
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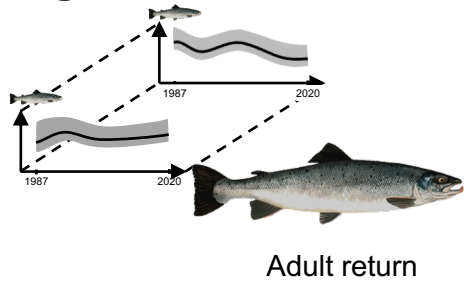
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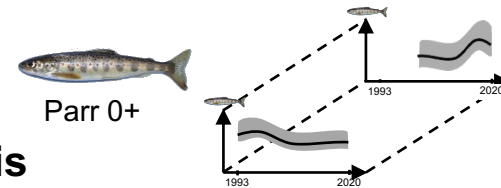
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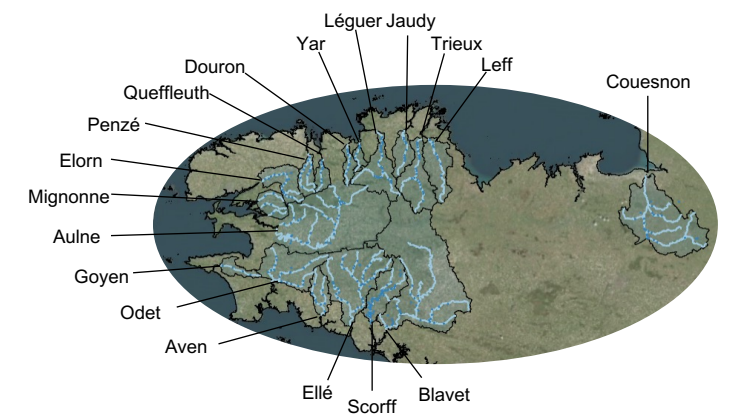
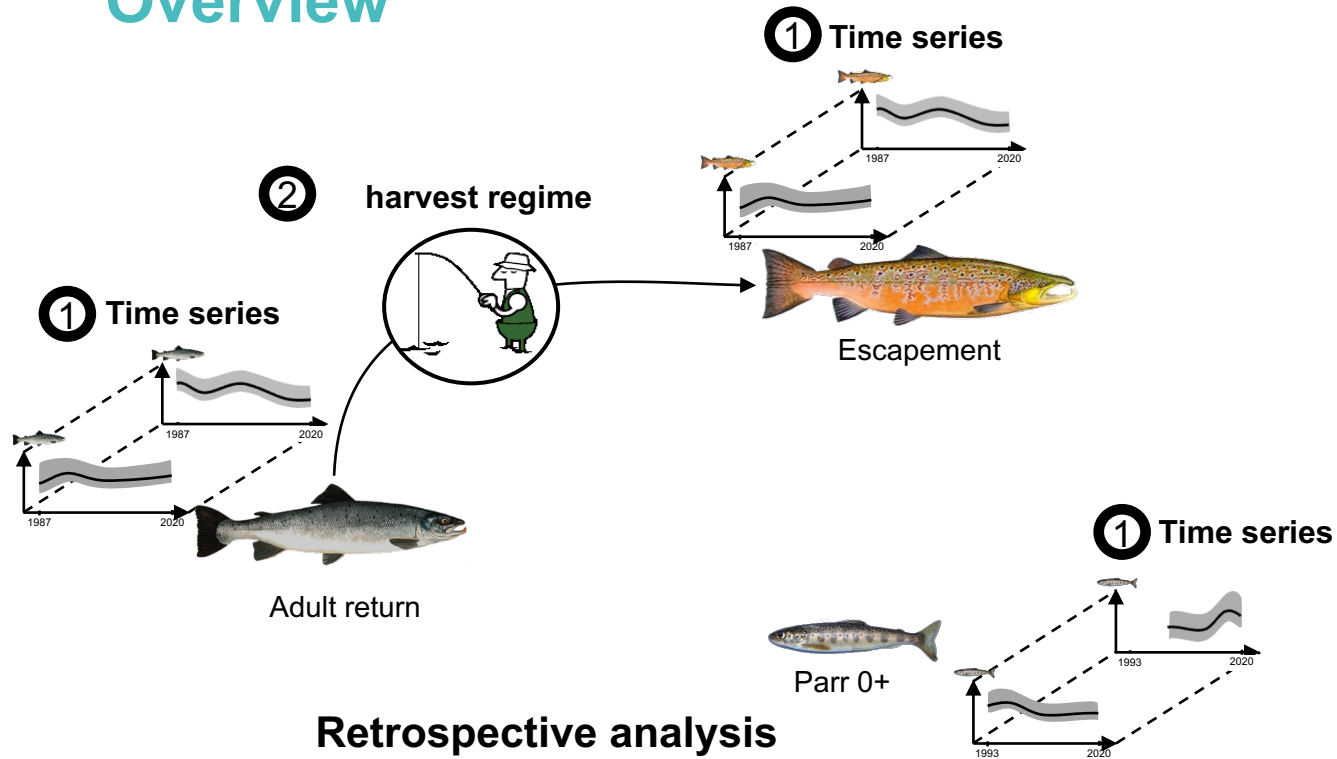
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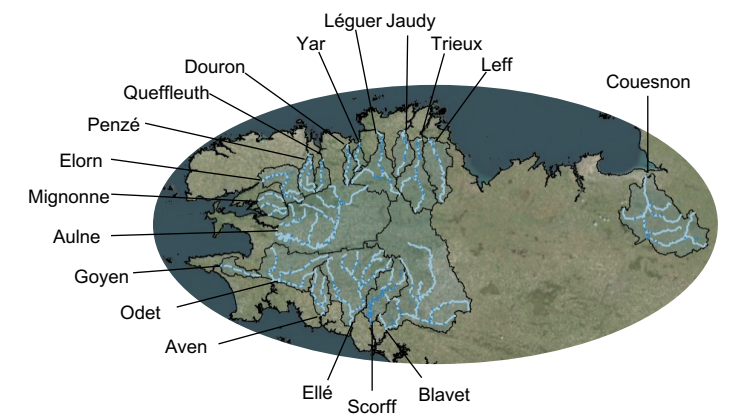
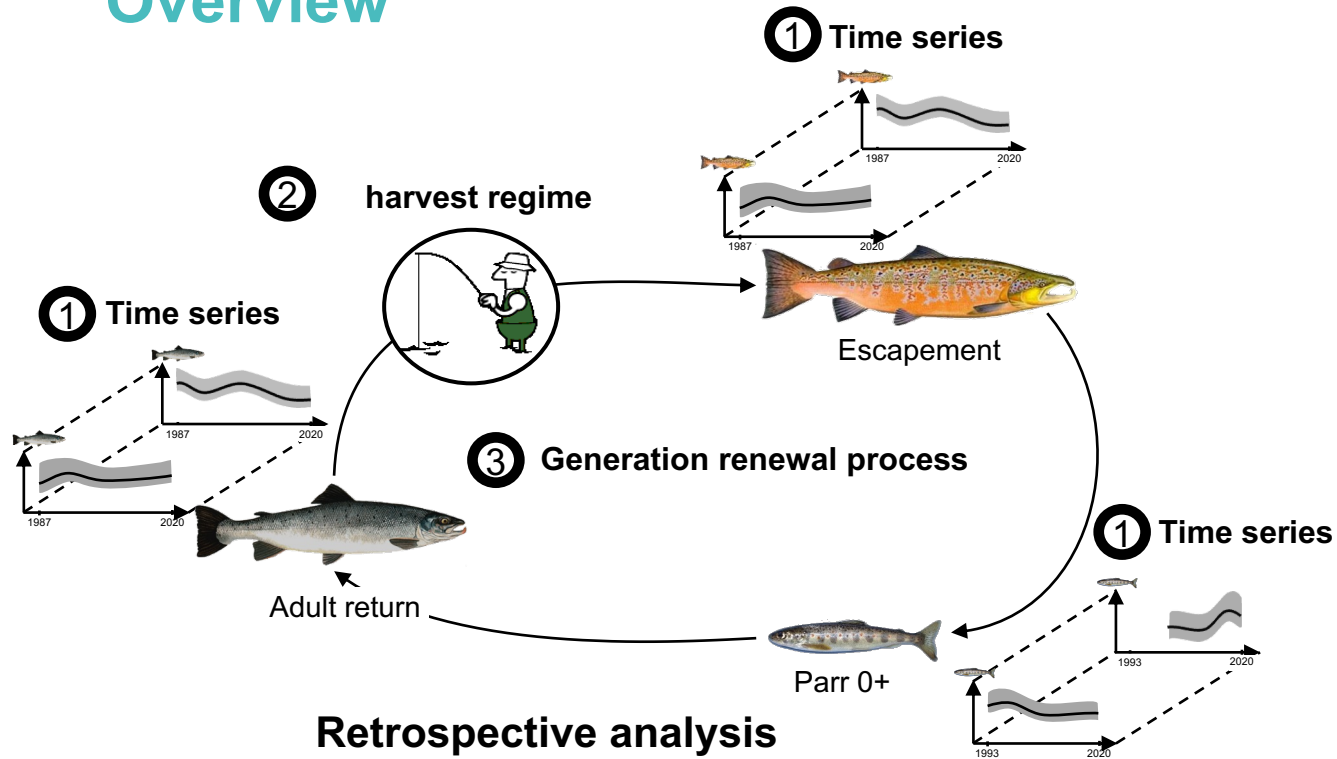
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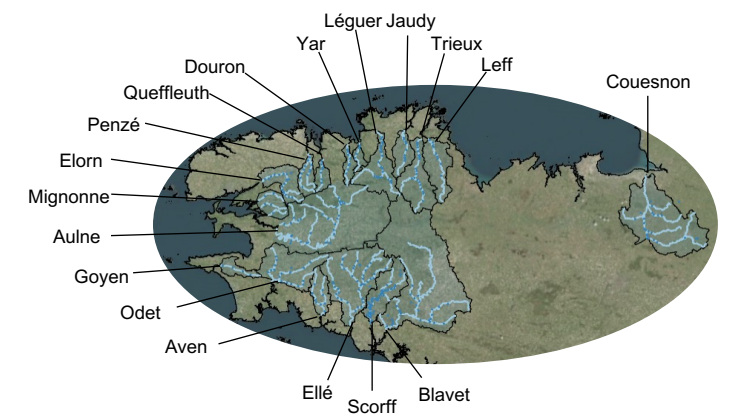
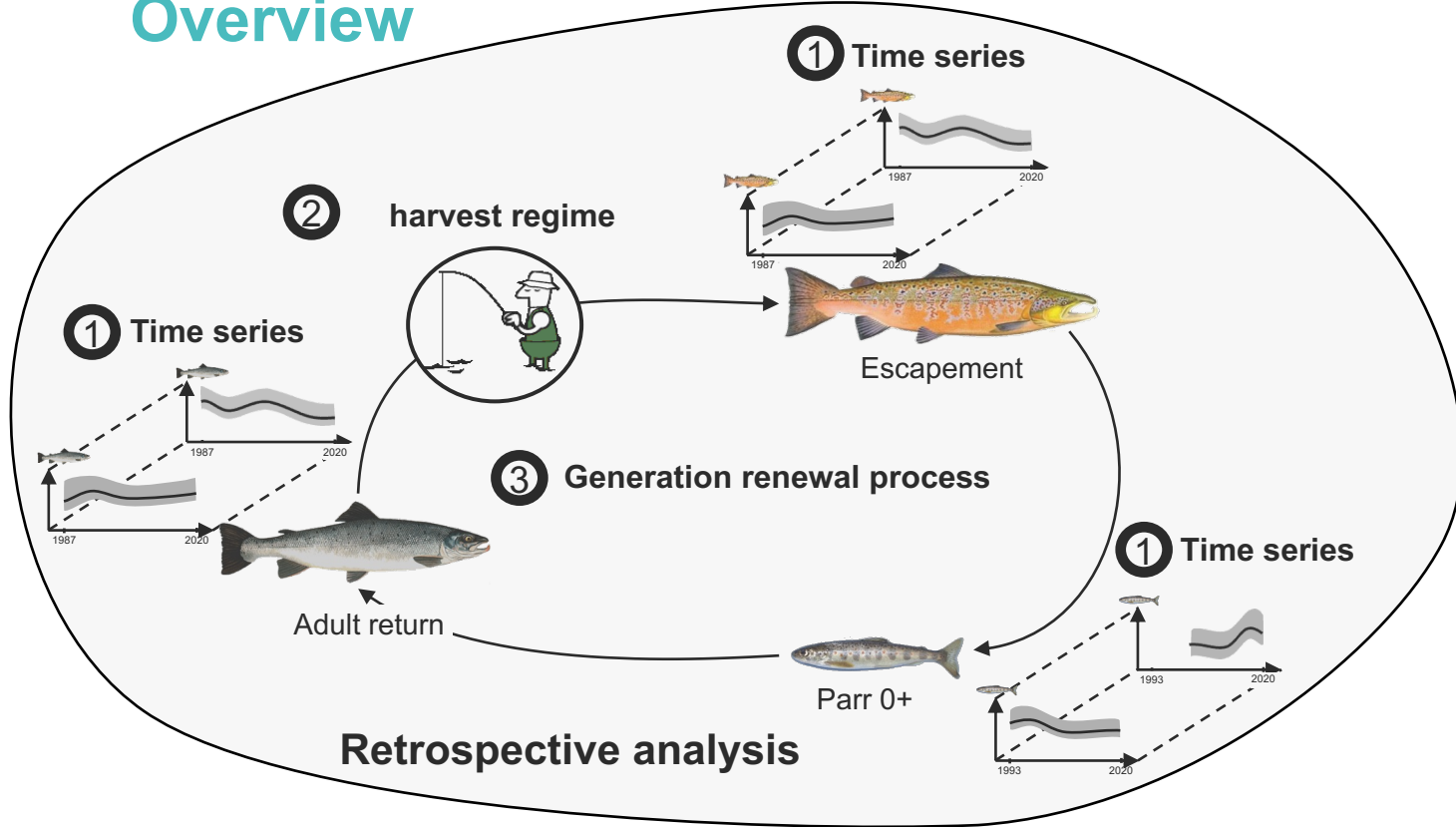
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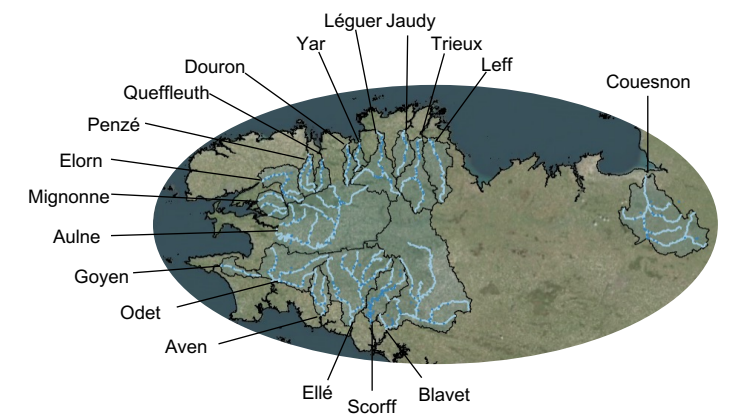
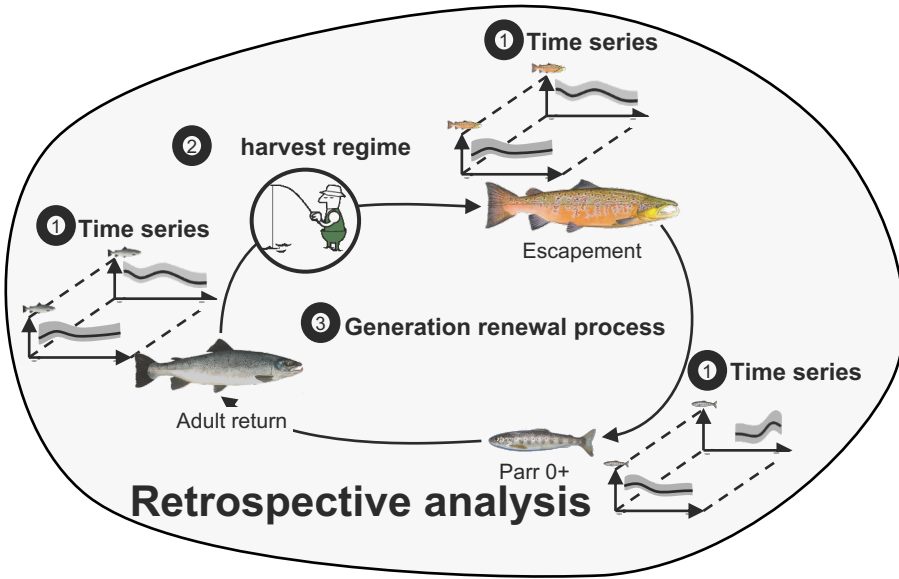
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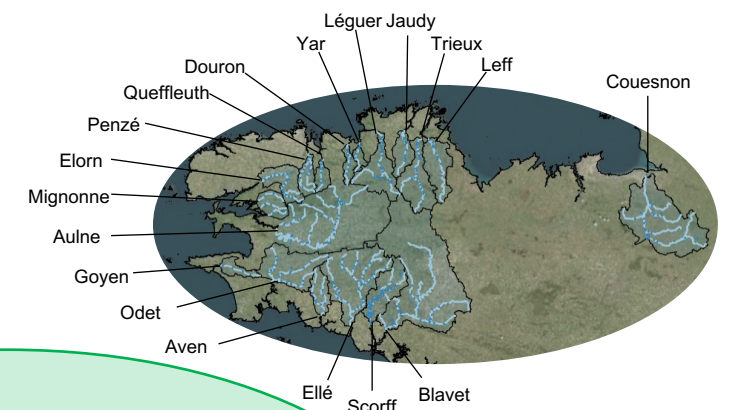
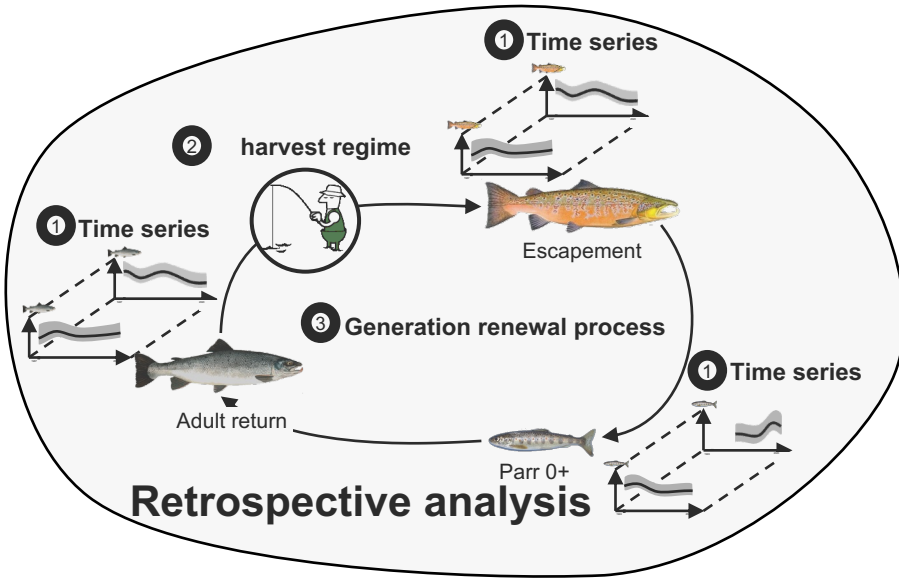
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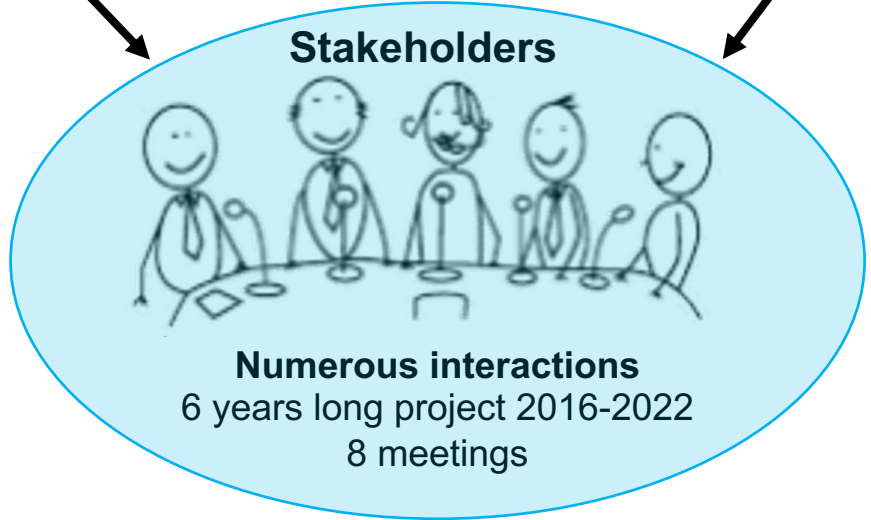
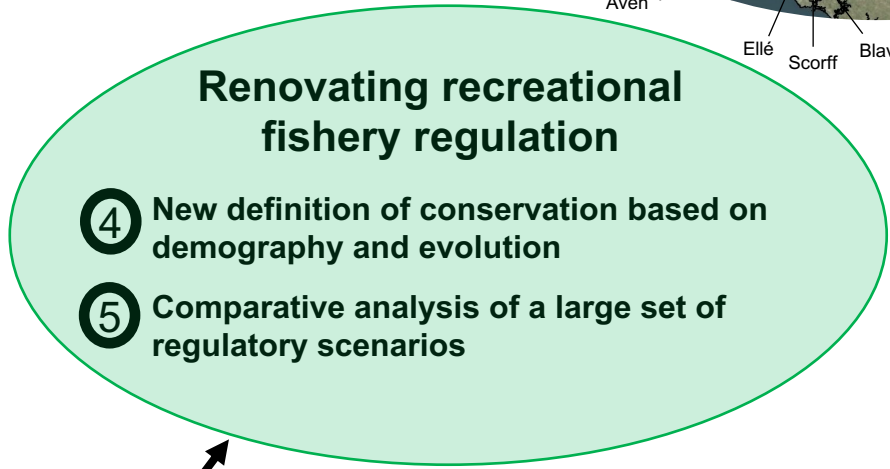
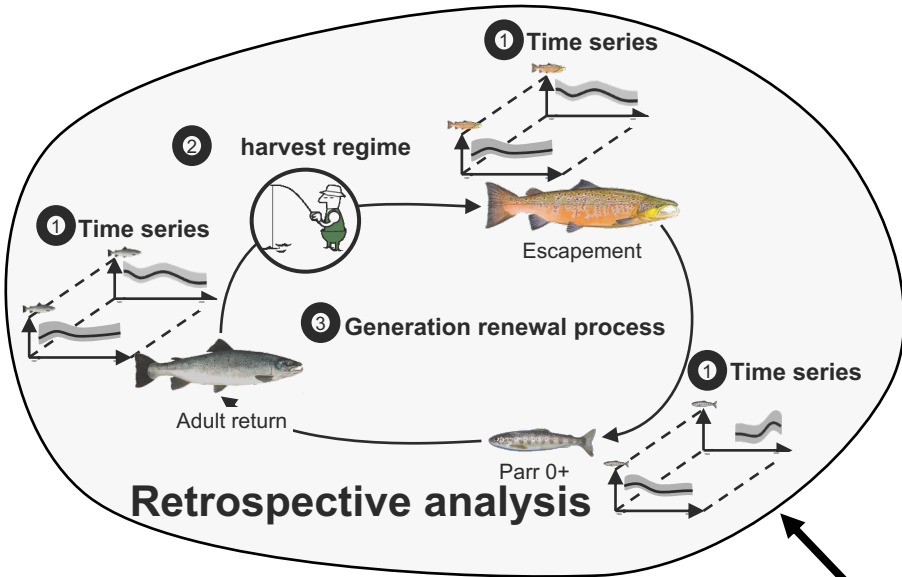
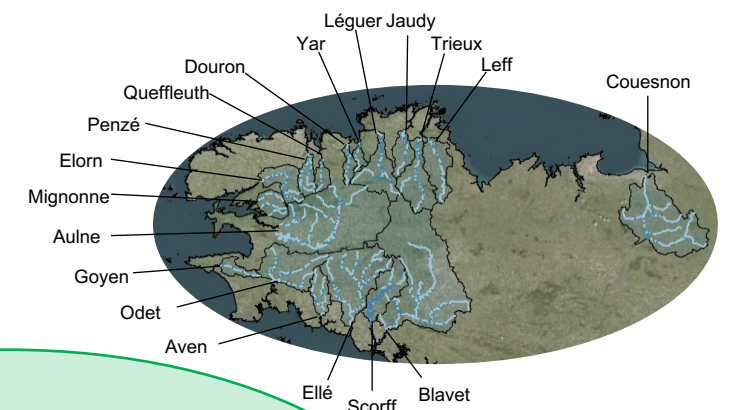


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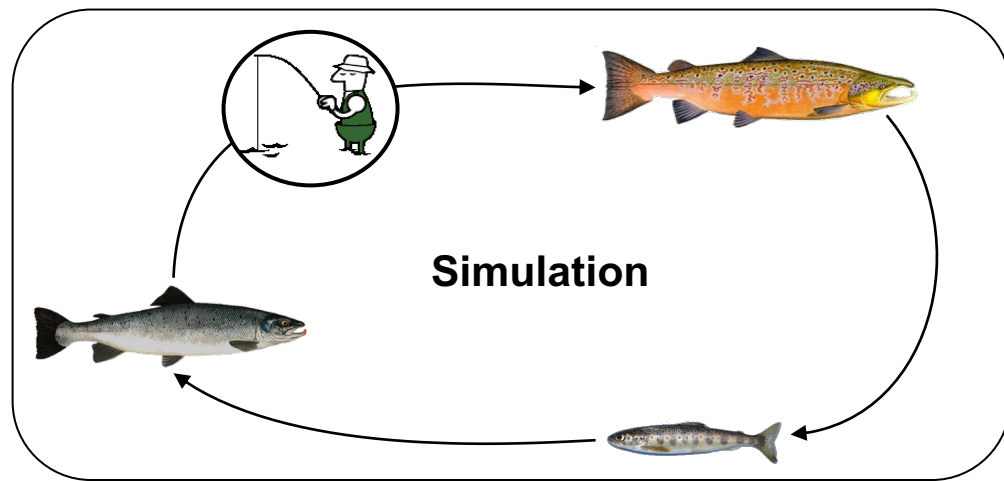
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- ⑤ Comparative analysis of a large set of regulatory scenarios

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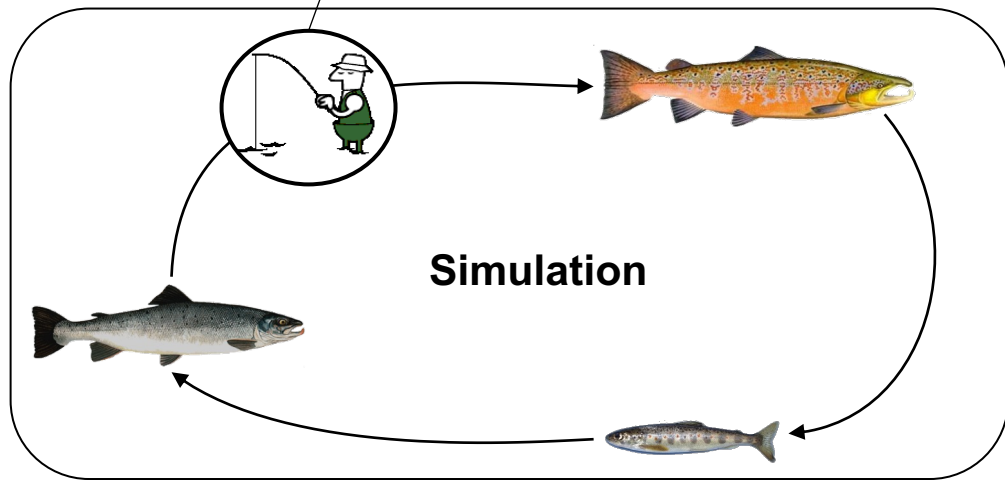
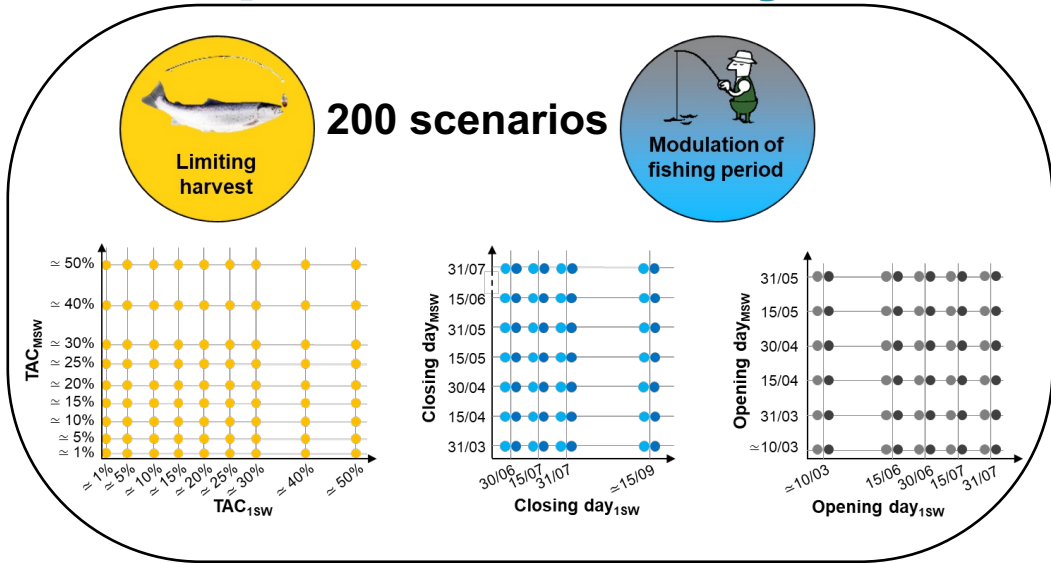
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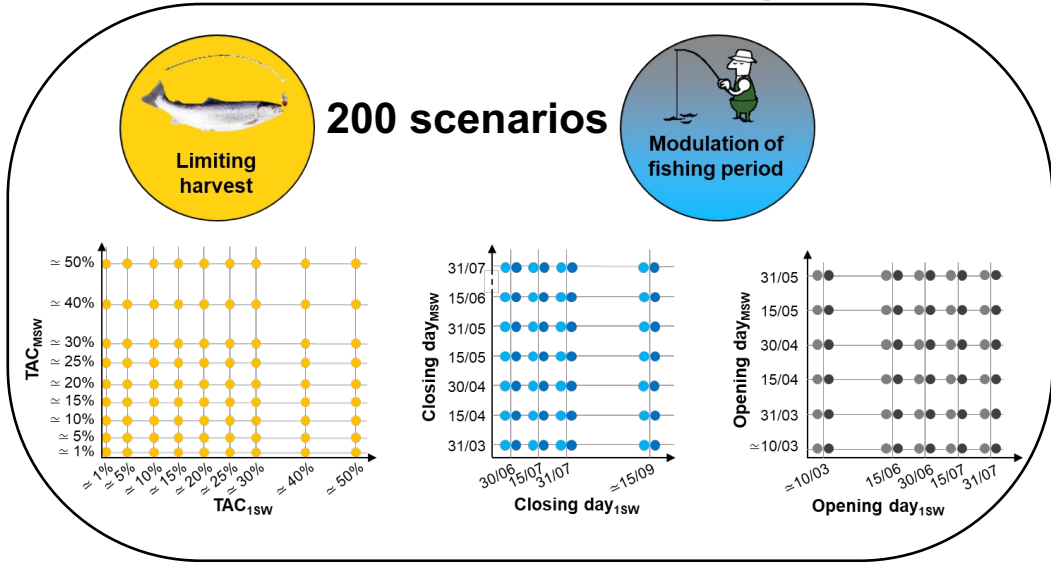
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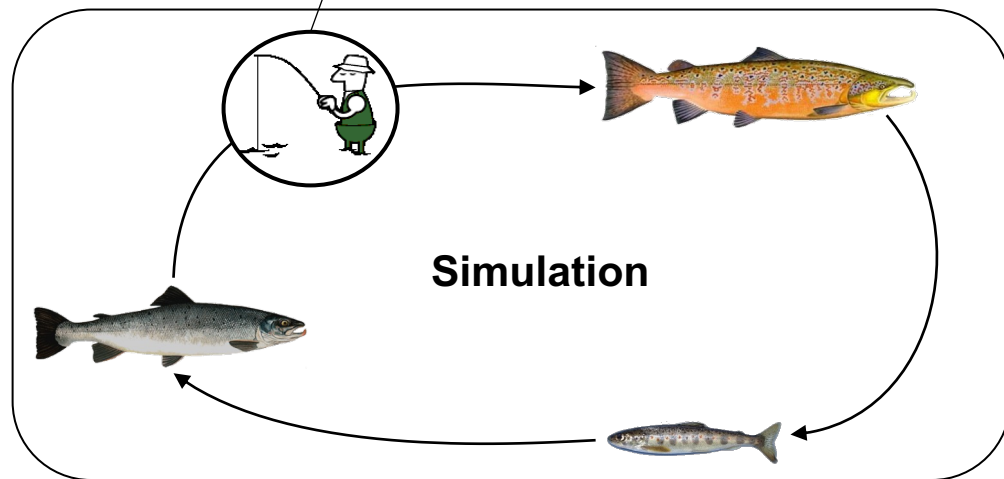
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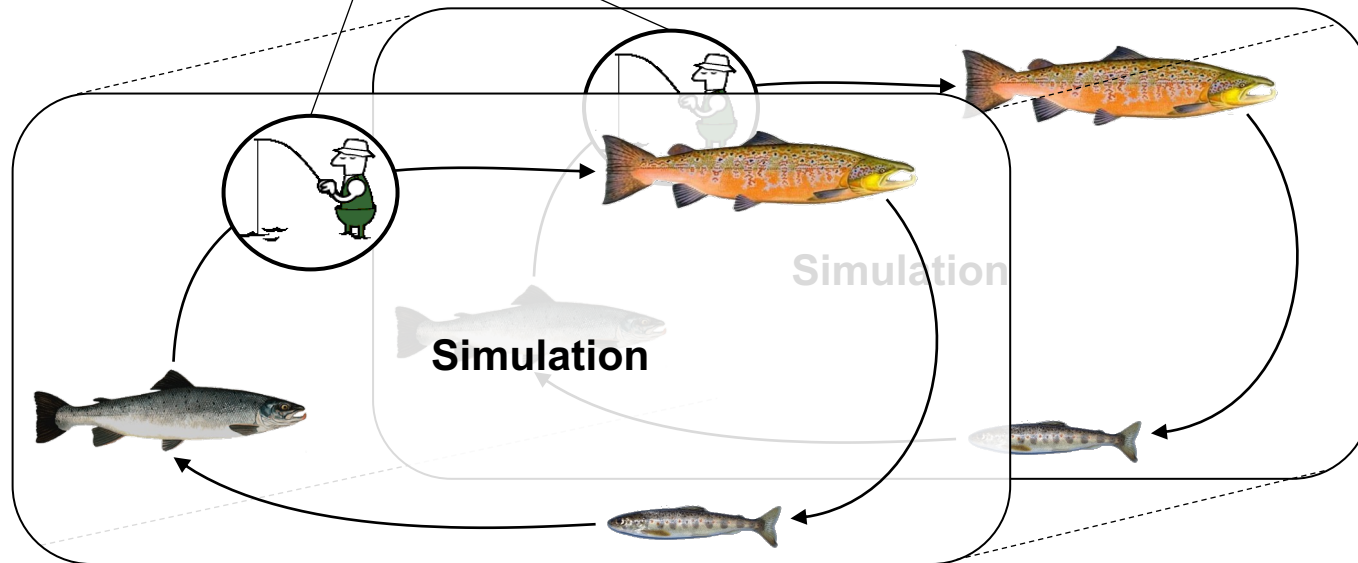
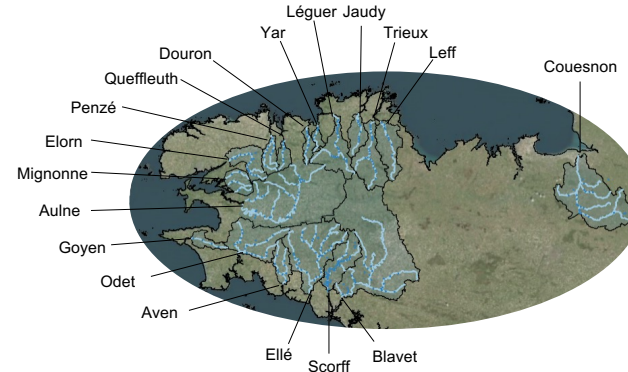
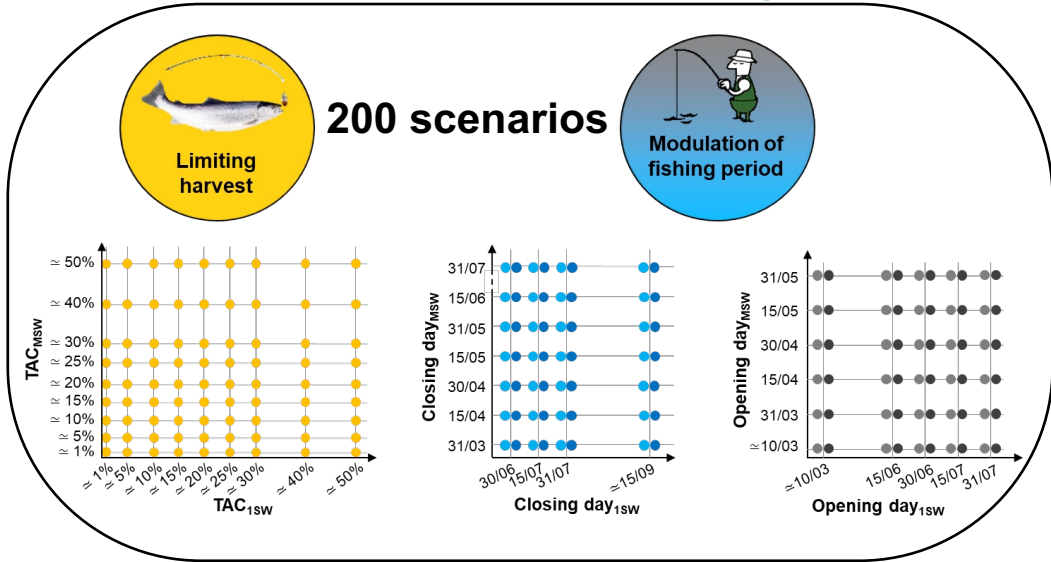
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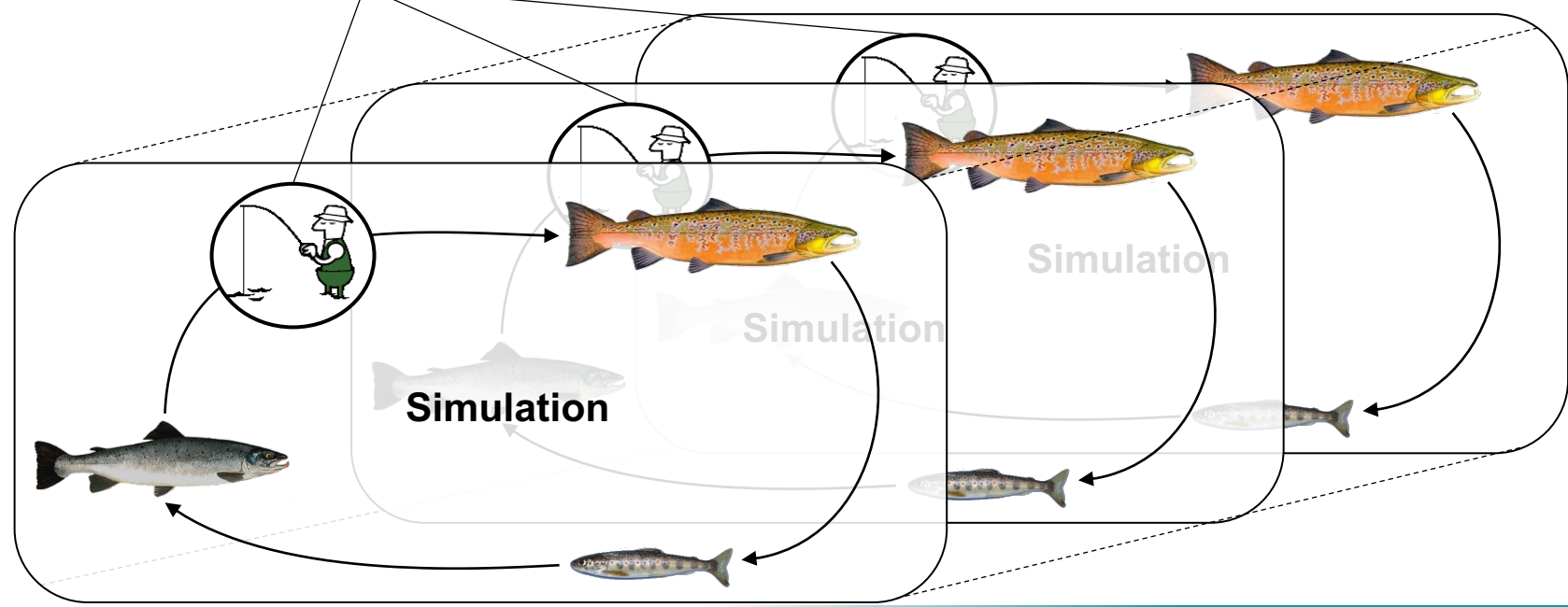
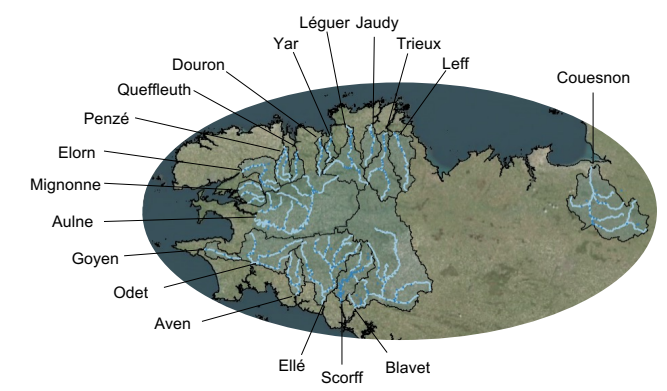
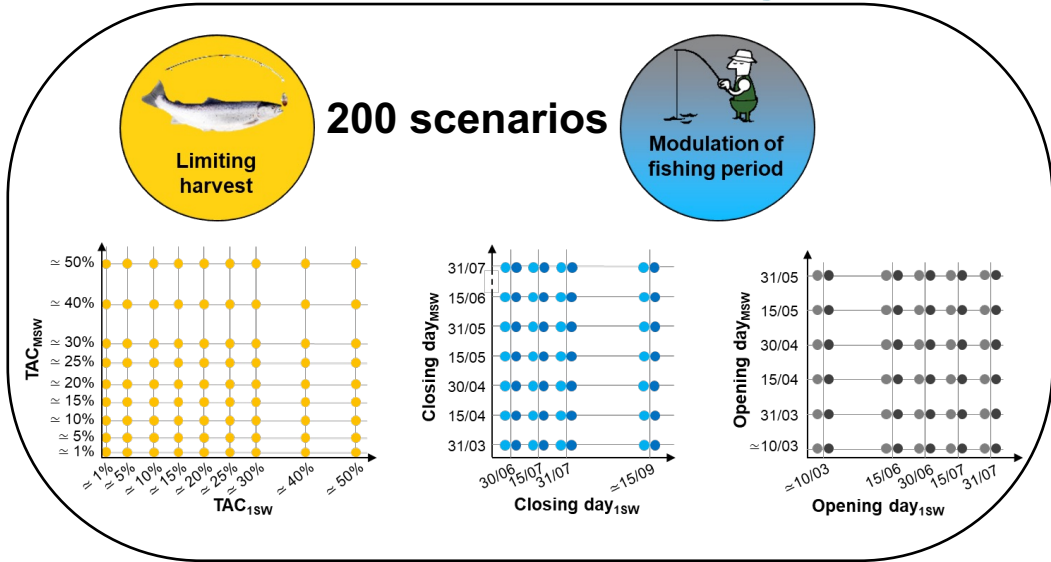
Distinct regulatory measures set for each sea-age class



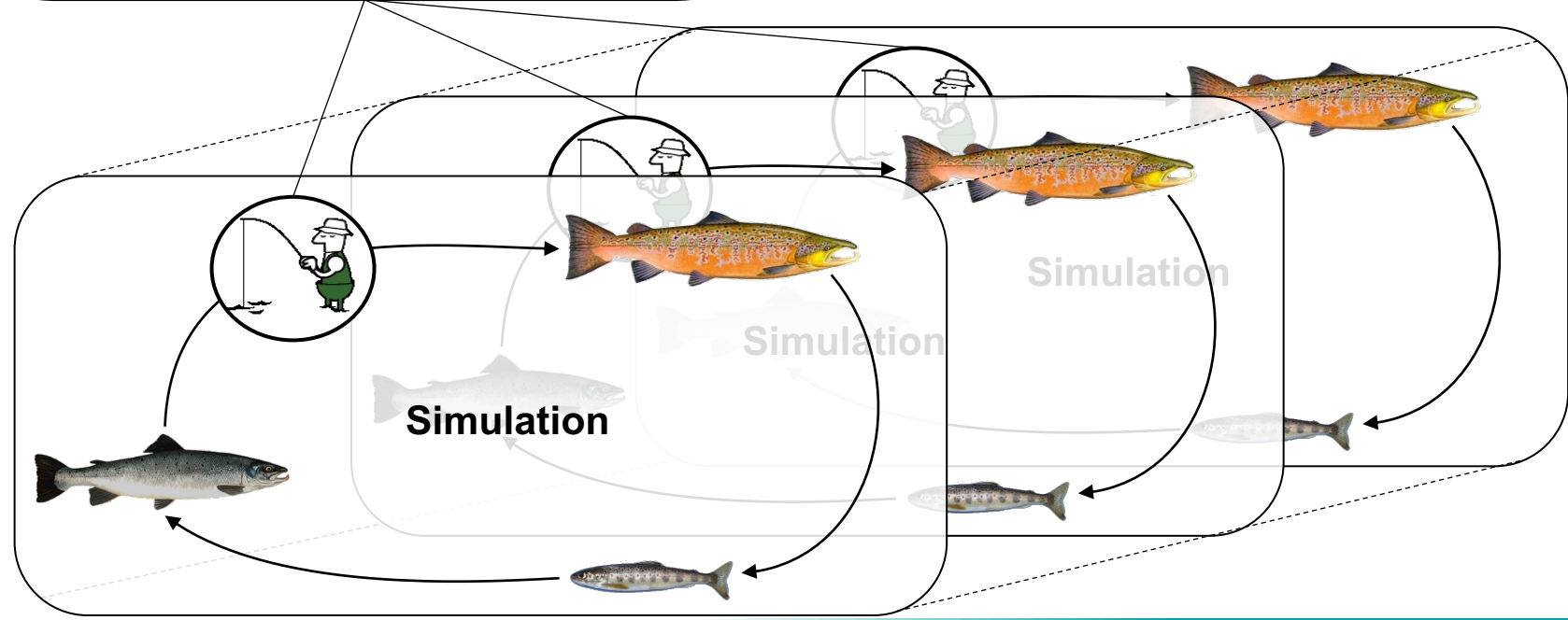
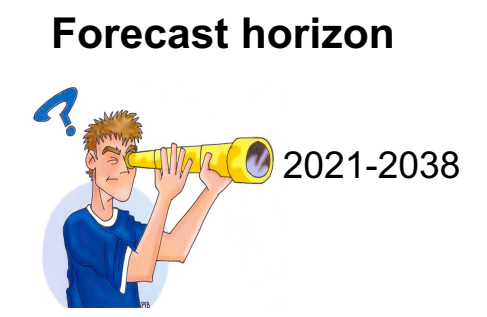
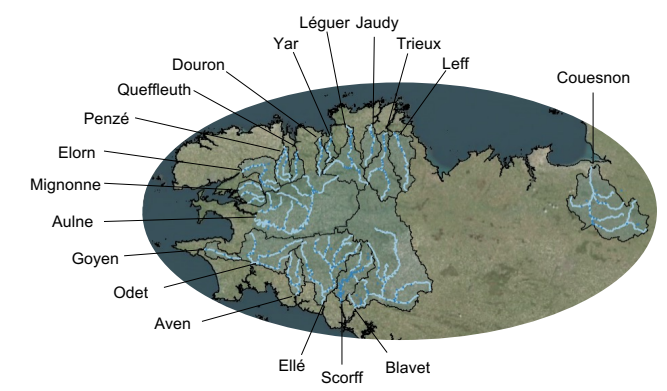
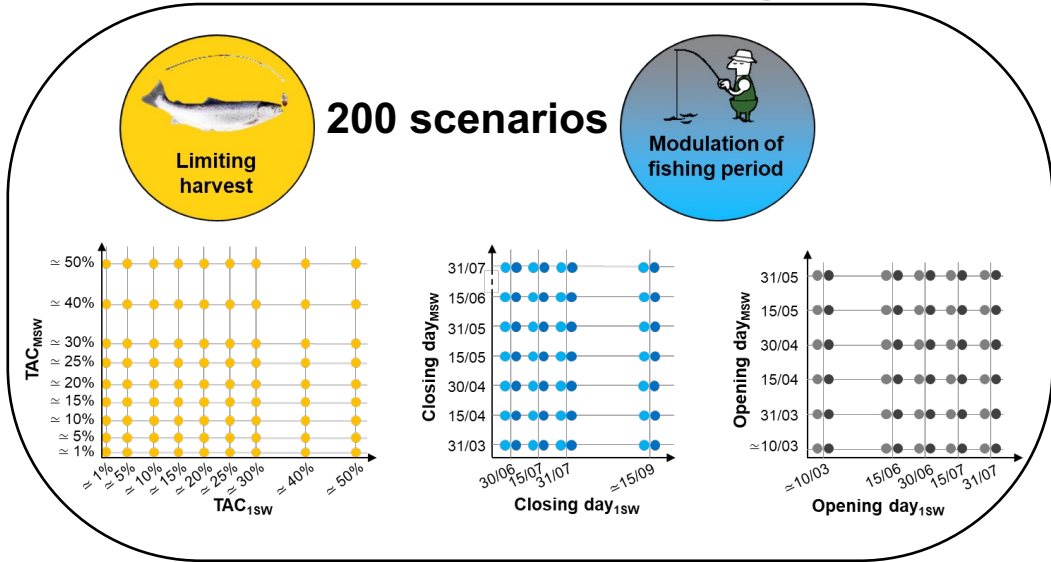
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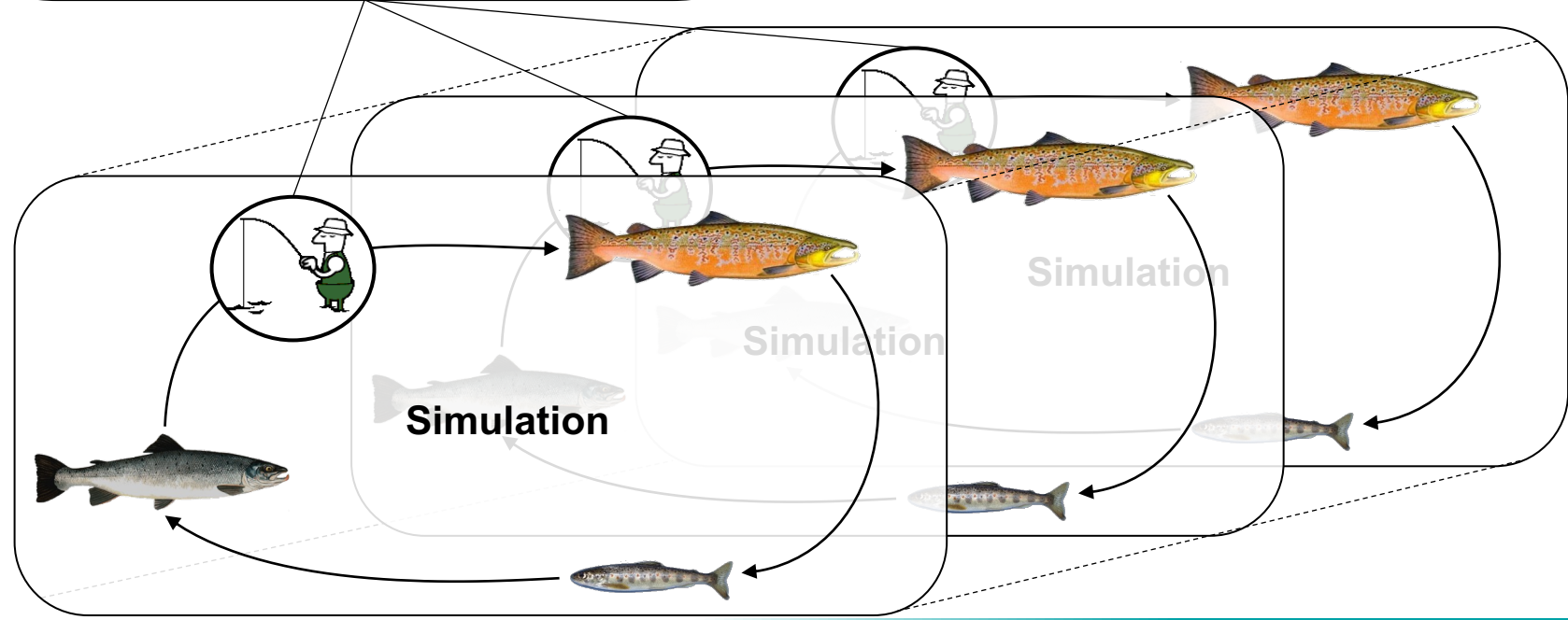
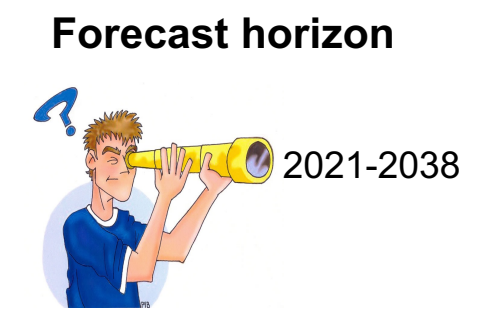
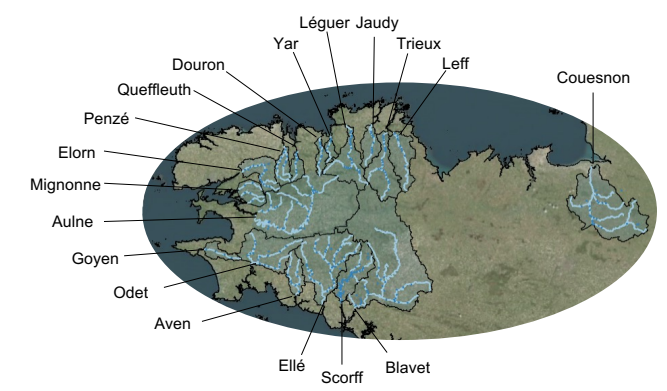
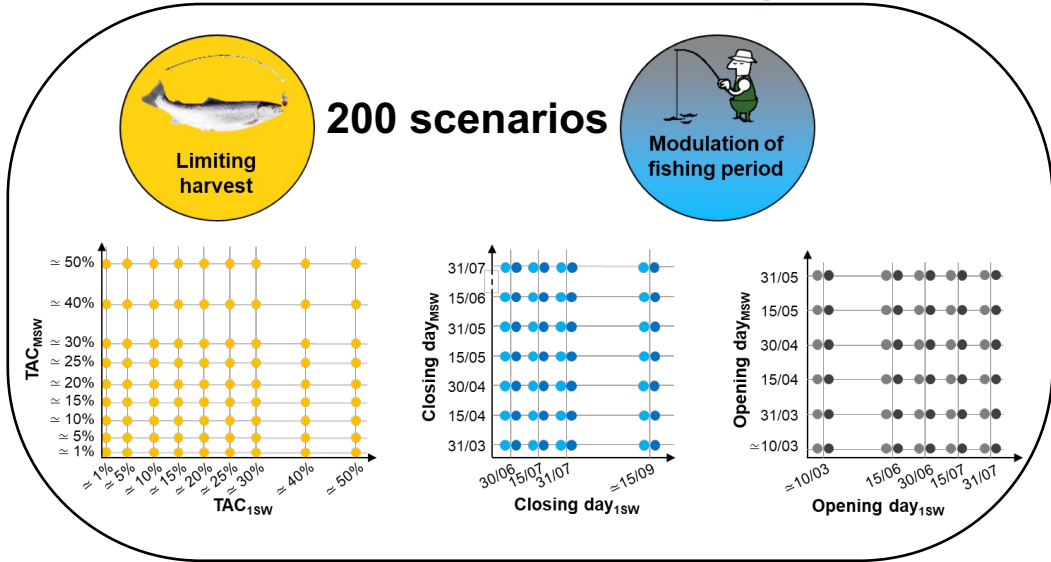
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MSW

1SW

Fisher preferences



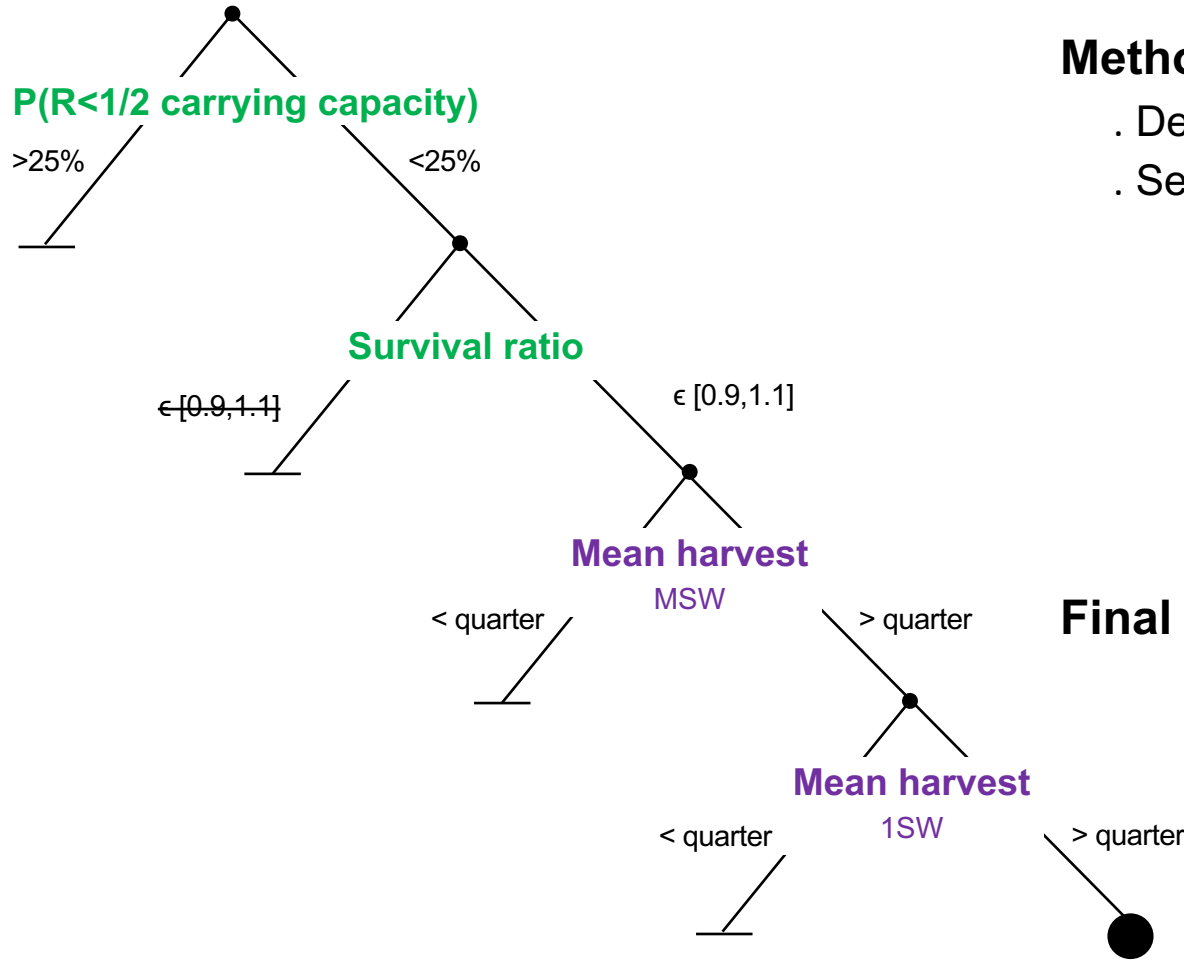
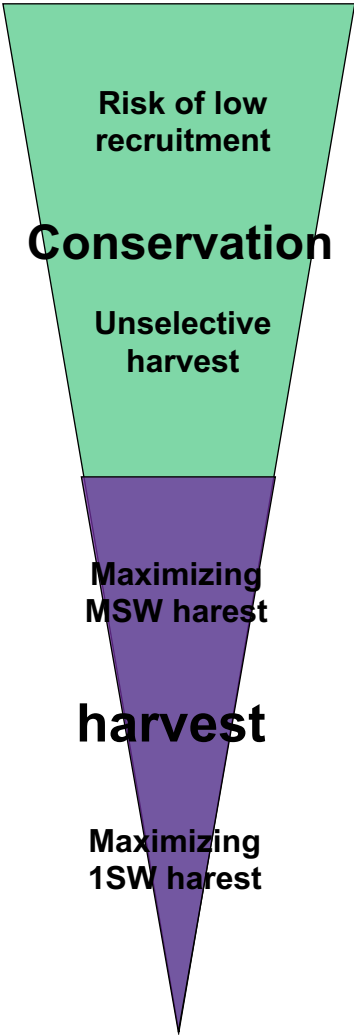
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Assessment method



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Objectives



Method :

- . Decision tree
- . Sequential assessment with two selection filters:
 - **Conservation :** Only scenarios that ensure conservation go through the conservation filter
 - **harvest :** 1/16 of the scenarios ensuring conservation are selected by the harvest filter thanks to their particularly good harvest performances

Final cut let to the stakeholder

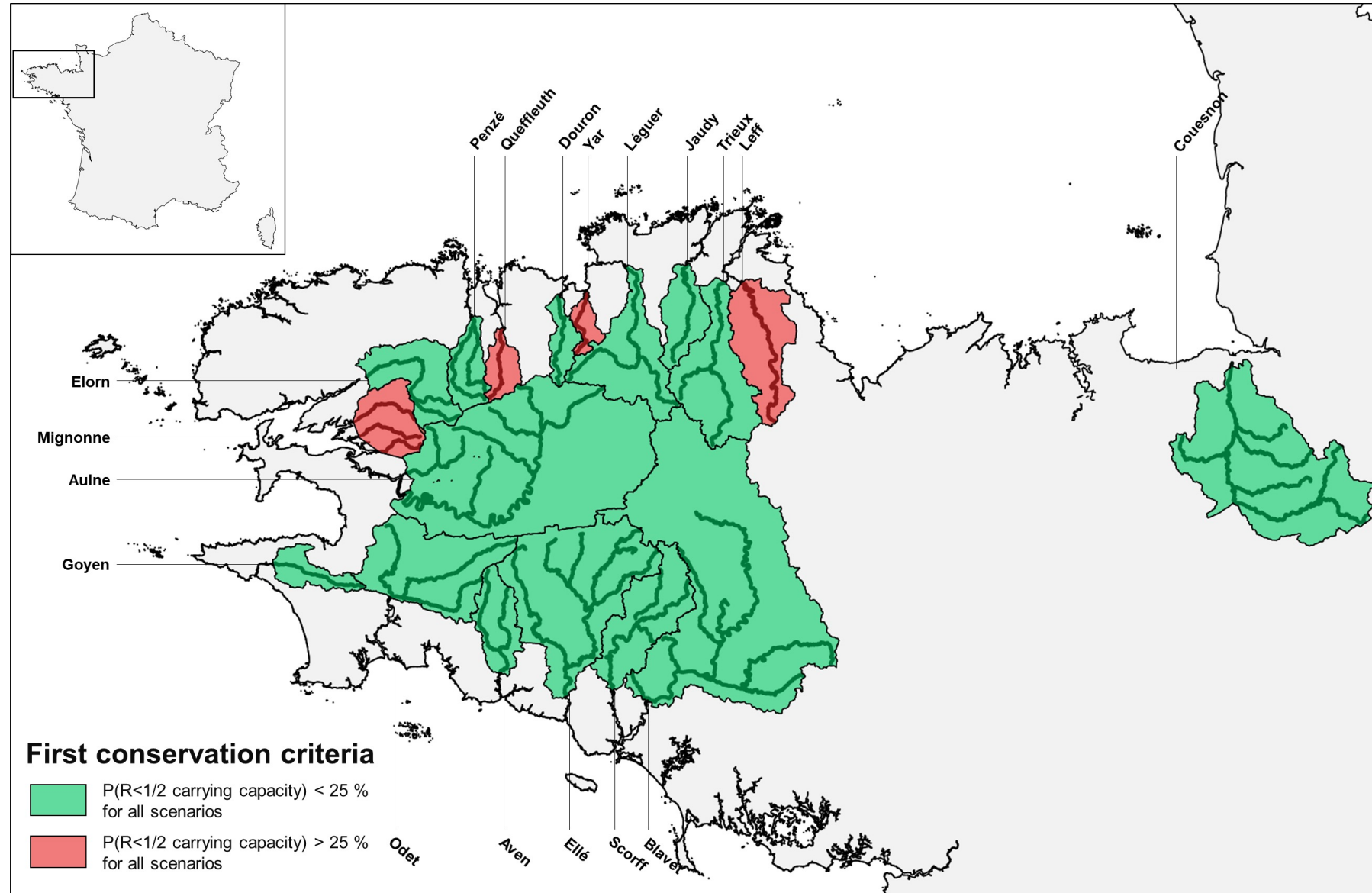
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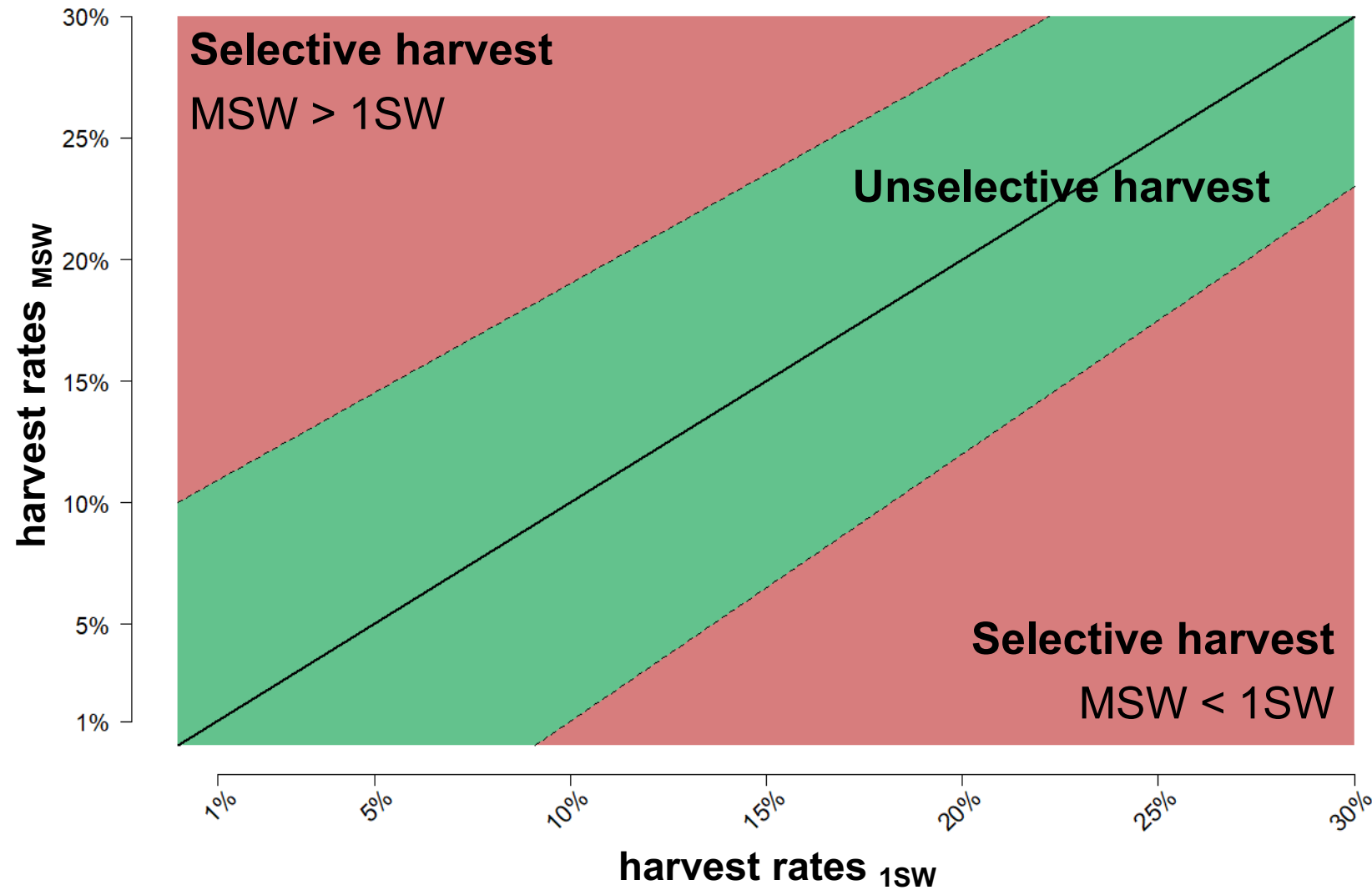
. All or nothing

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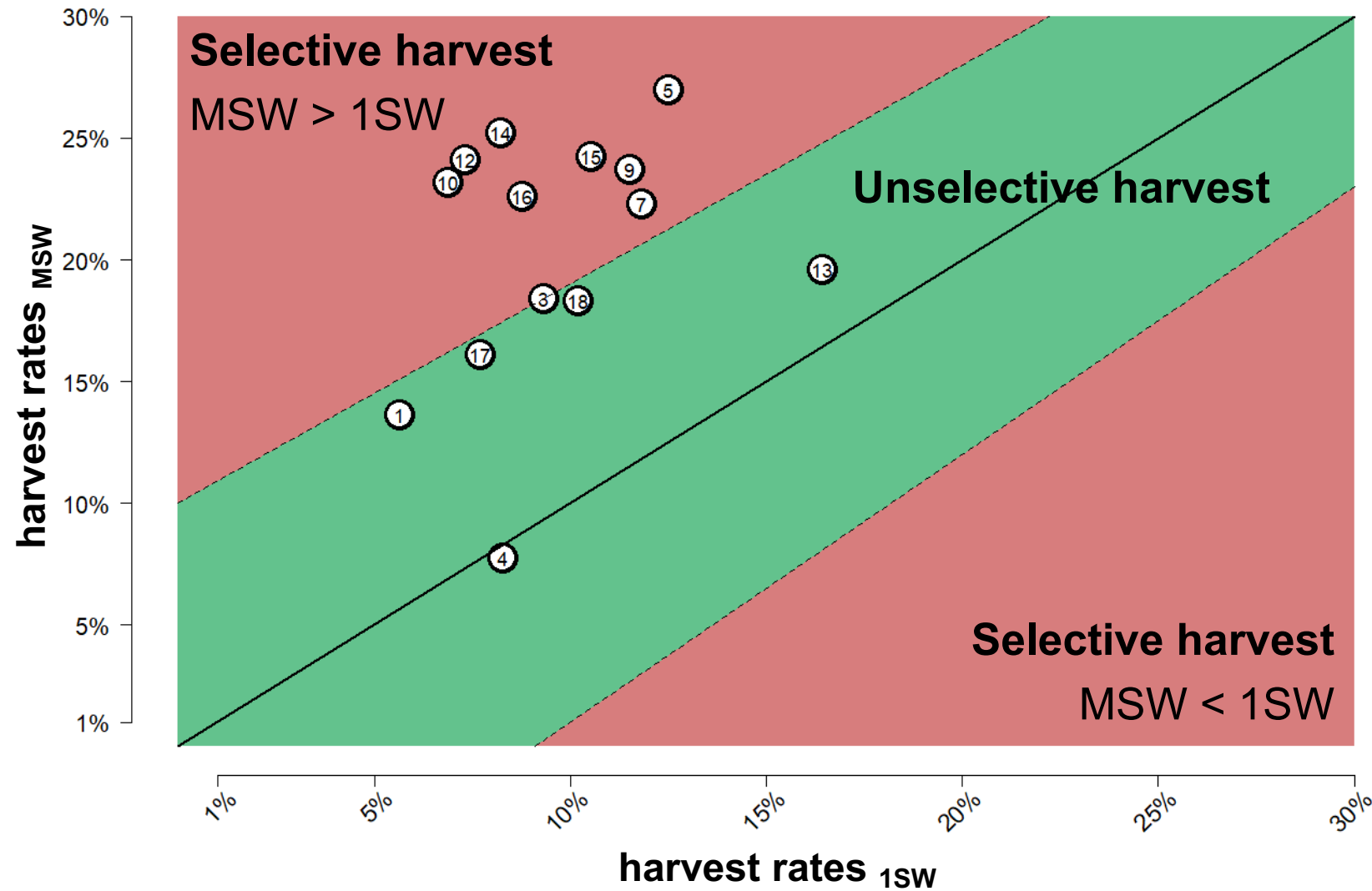


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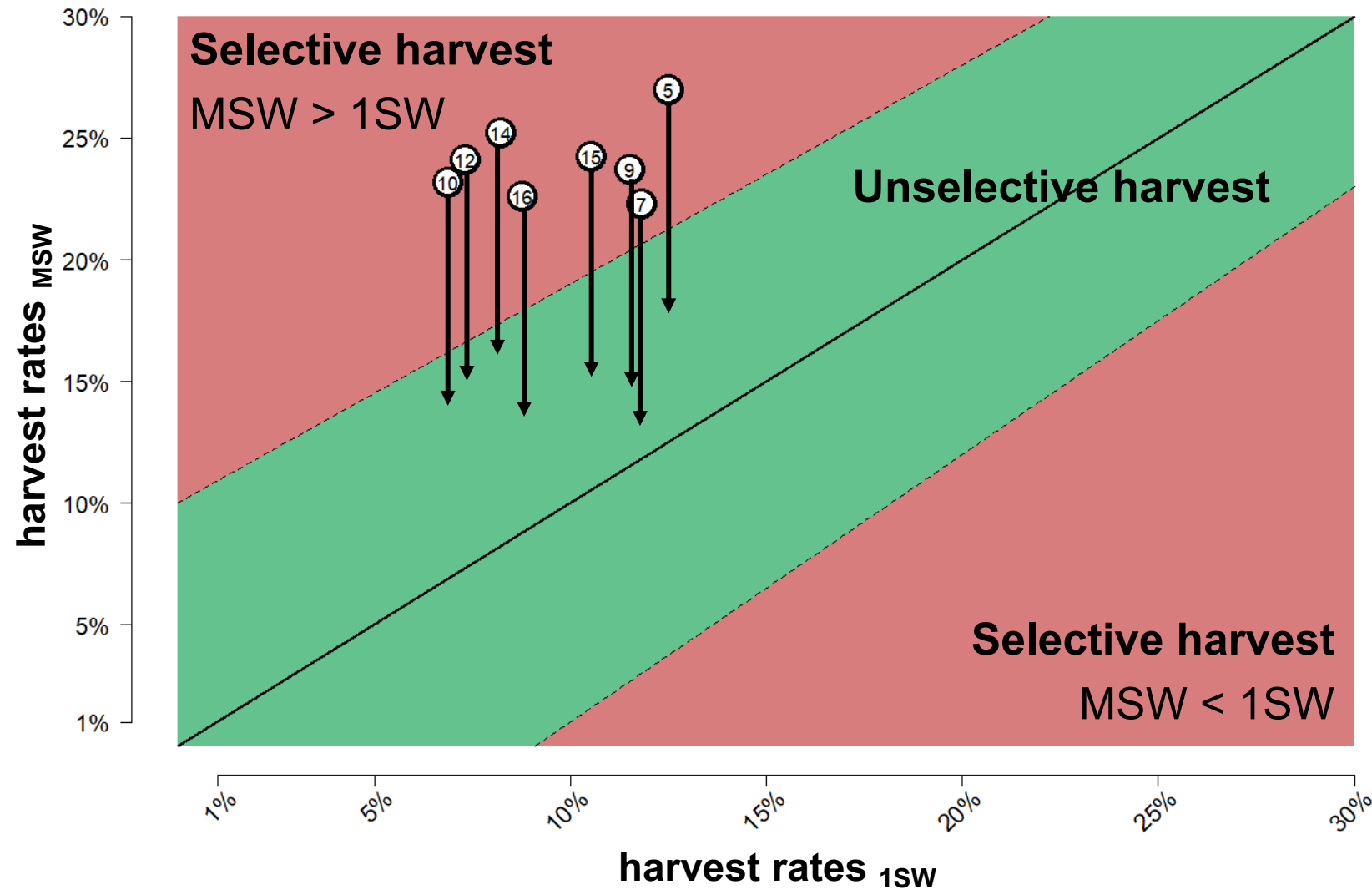


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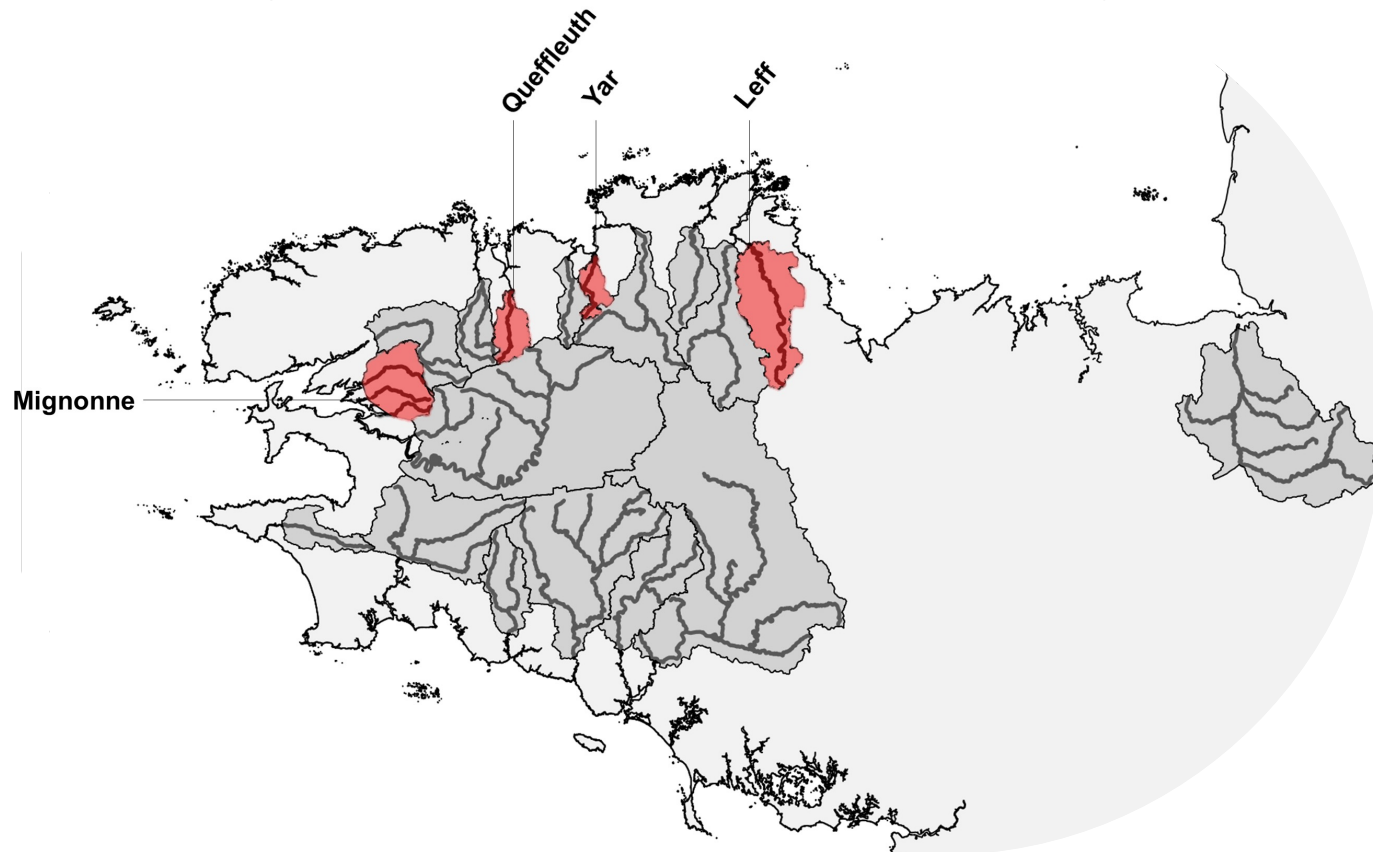
- Limit the harvest of MSW
- No constraints on the harvest of 1SW



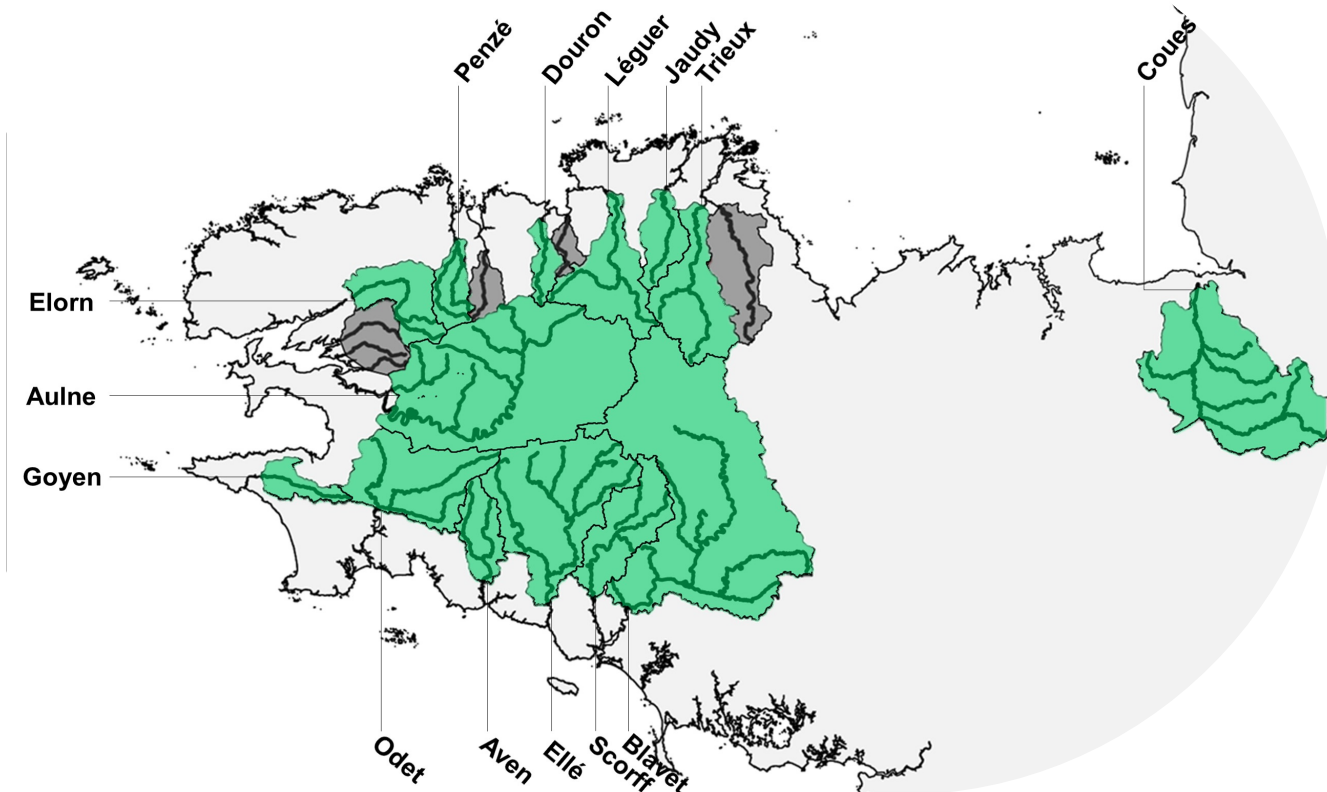
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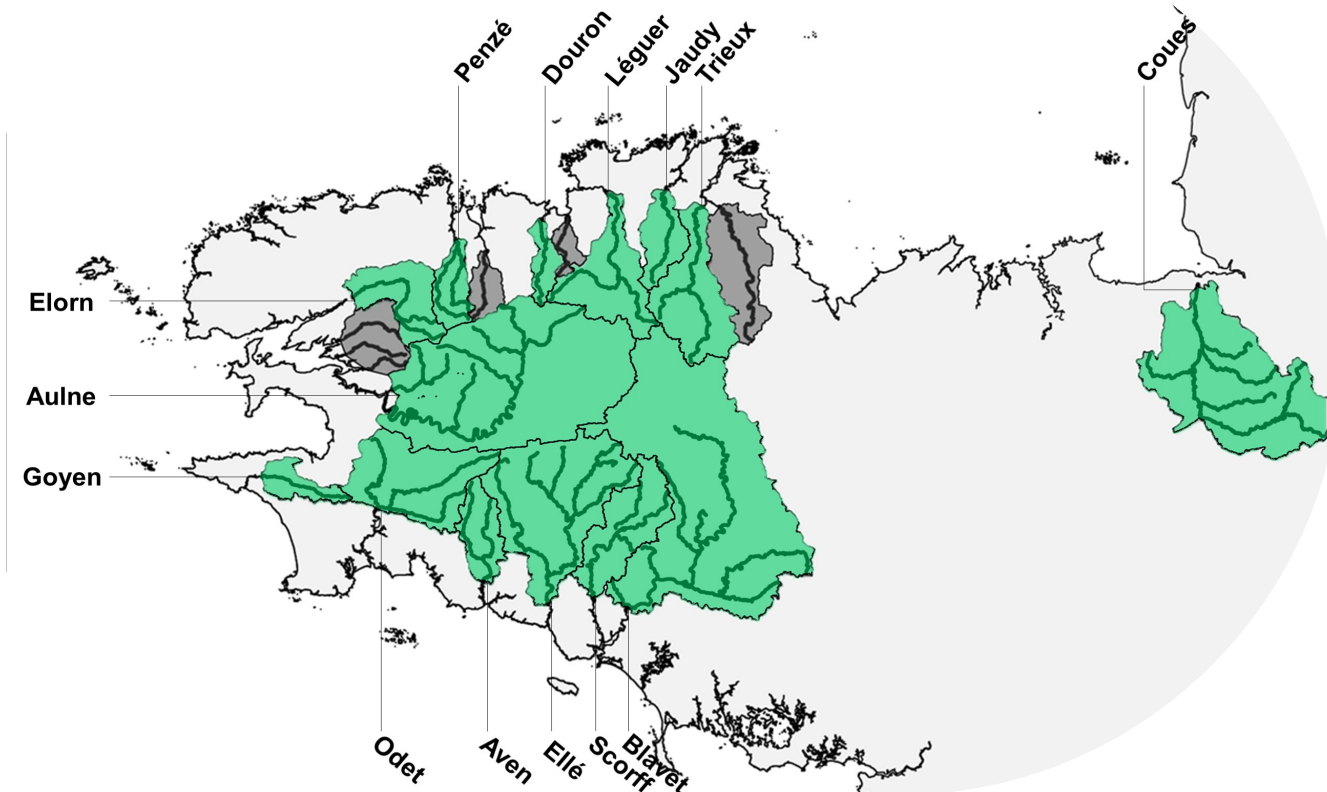
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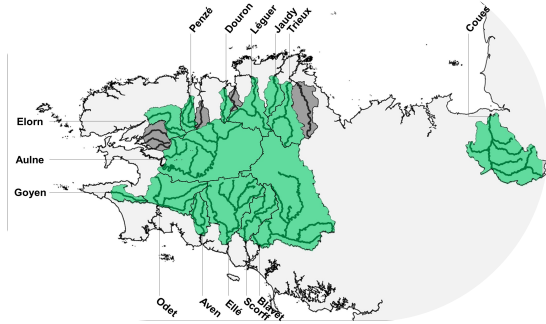
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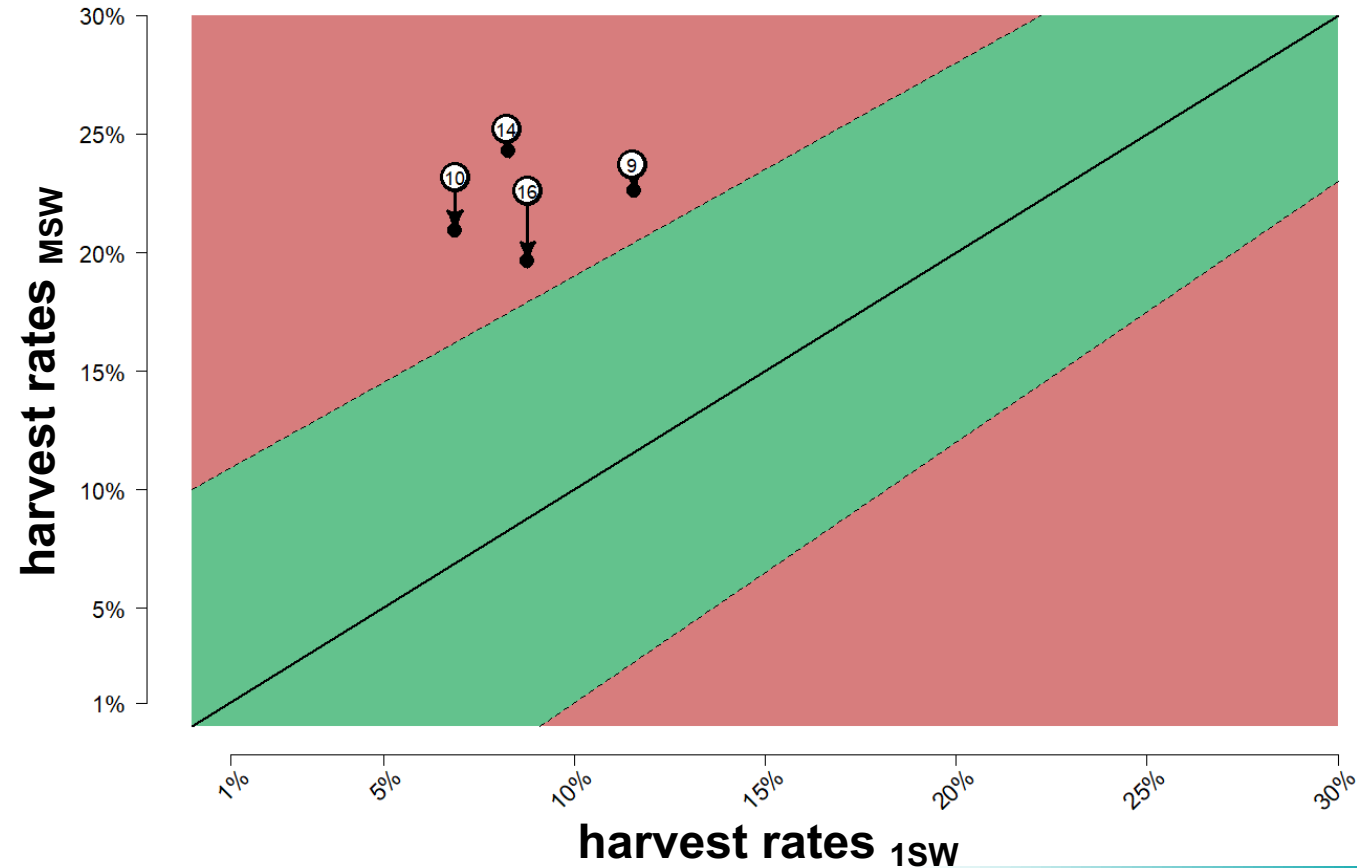
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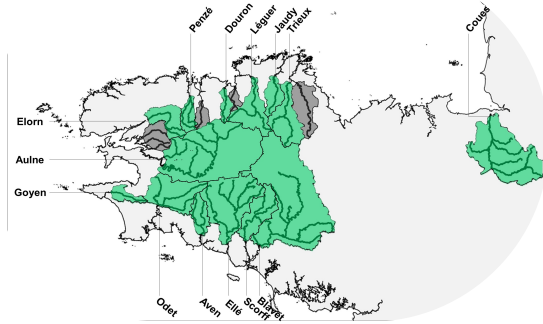


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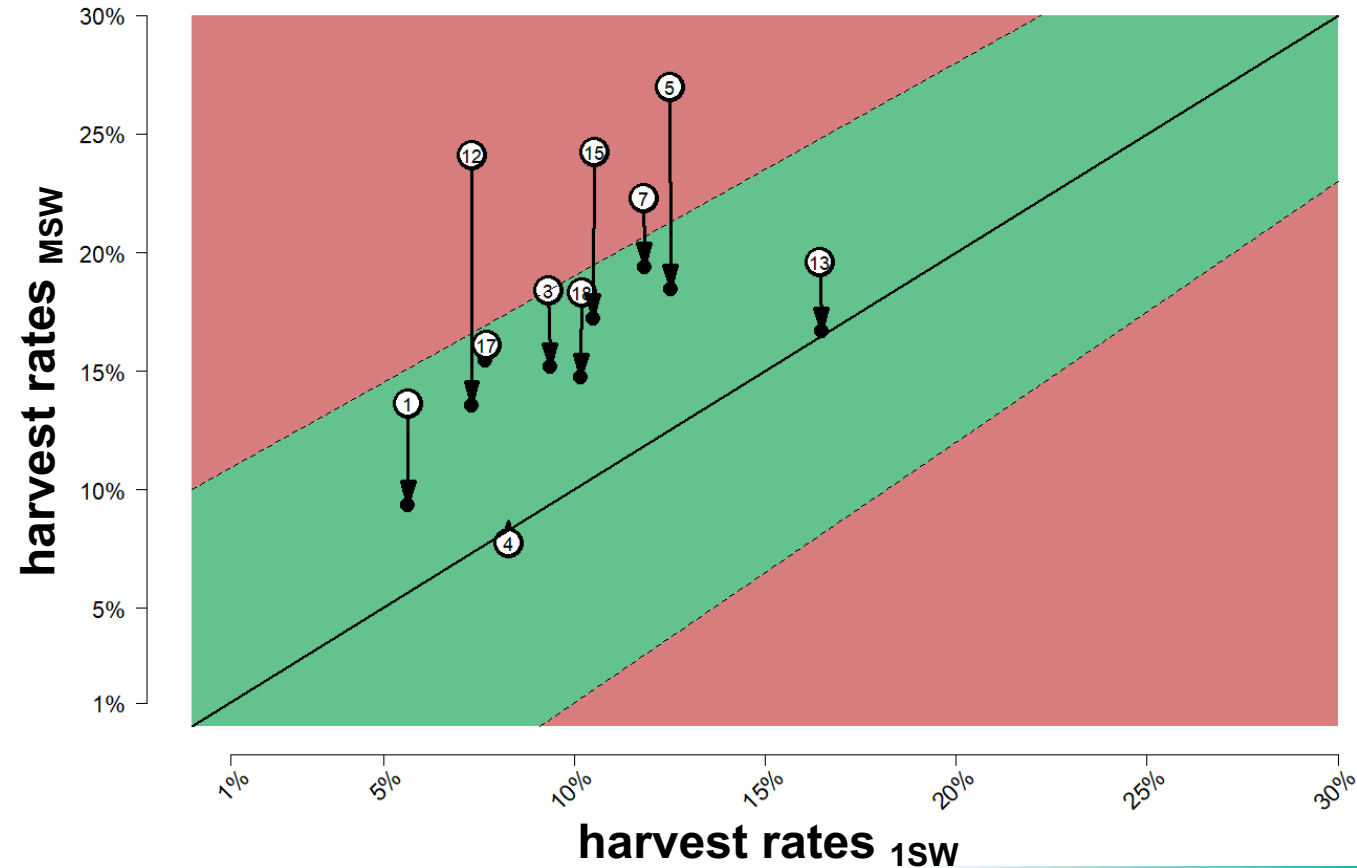


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 - Maintaining current TAC_{MSW} in rivers for which harvest was already unselective



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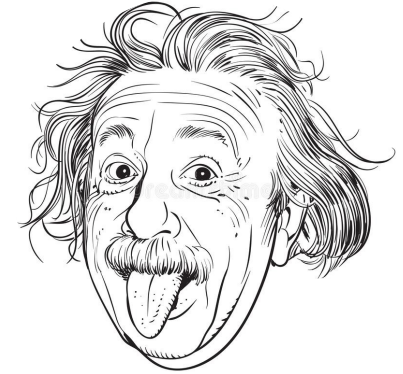
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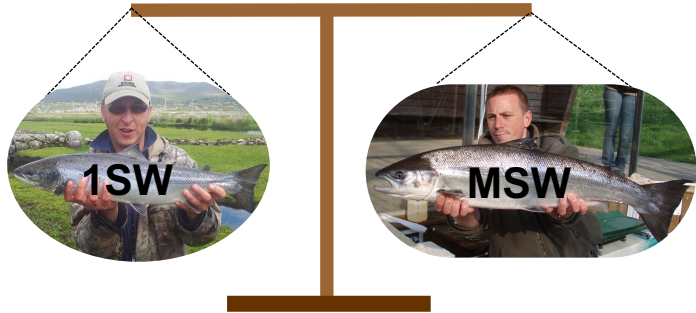


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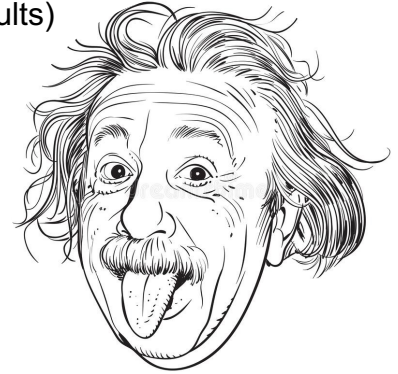
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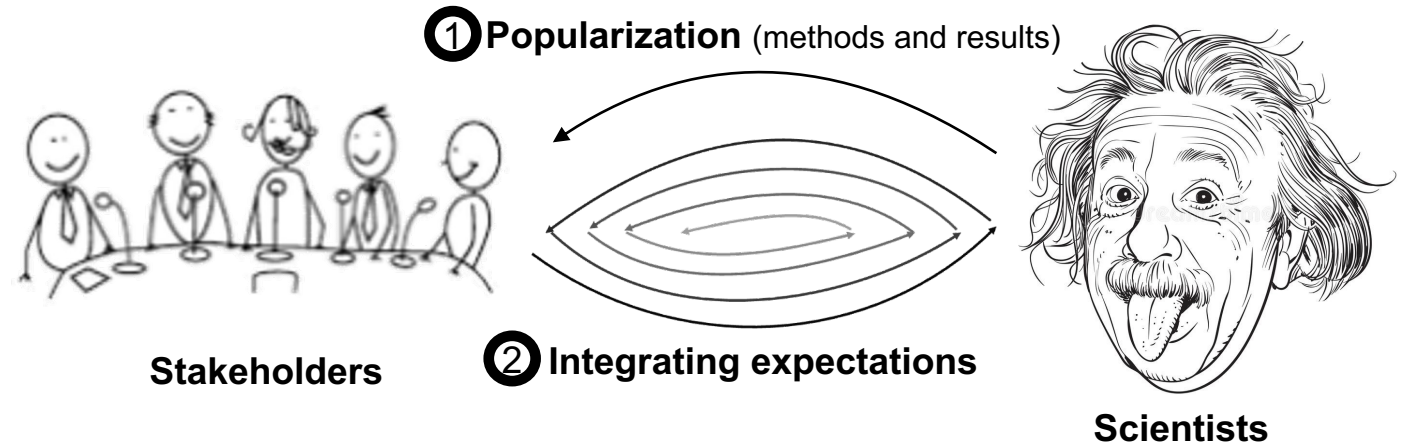
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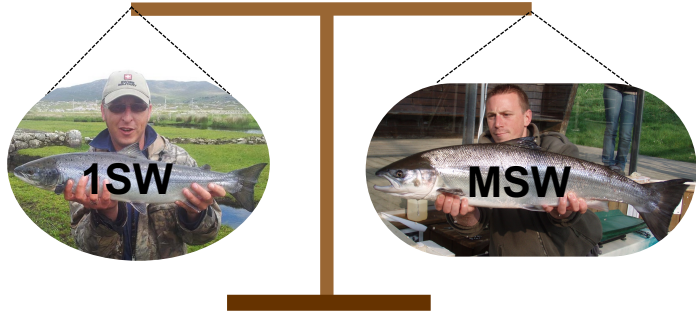
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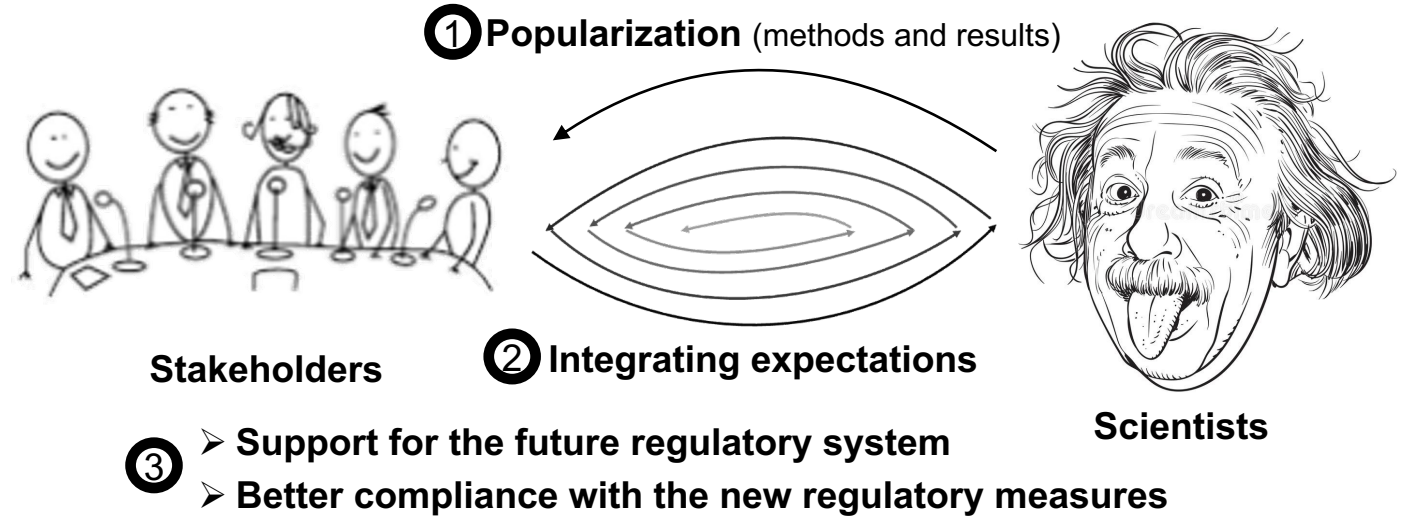
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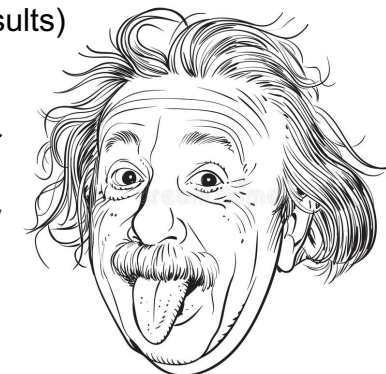
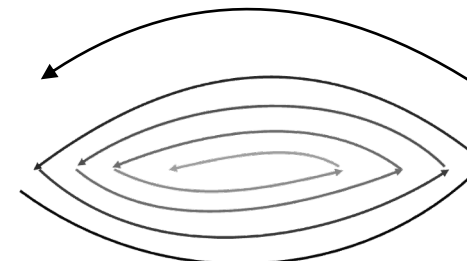
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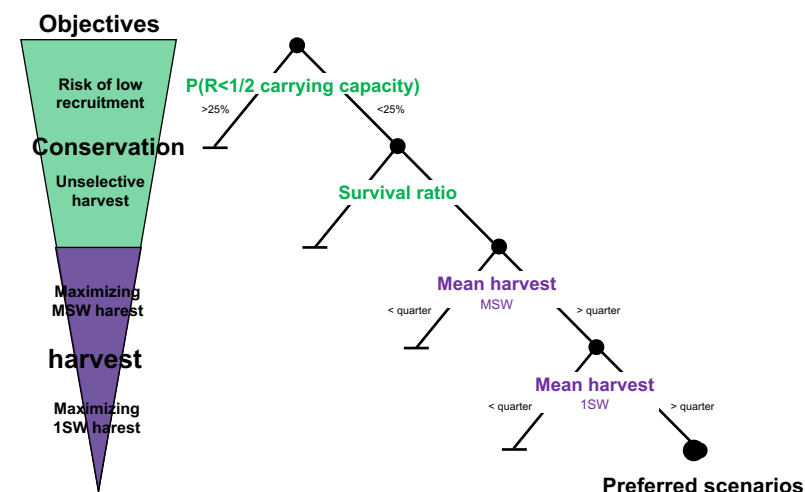
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- ③ Support for the future regulatory system
- Better compliance with the new regulatory measures

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How we facilitate interaction with stakeholders

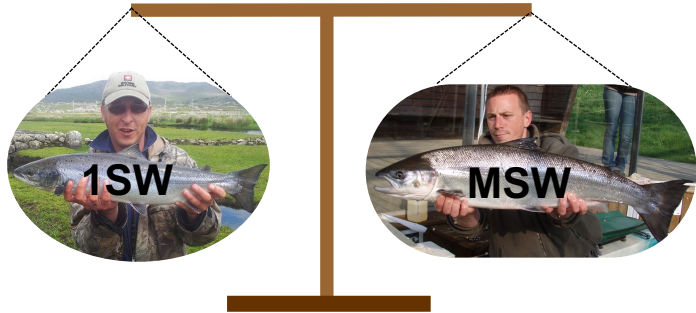
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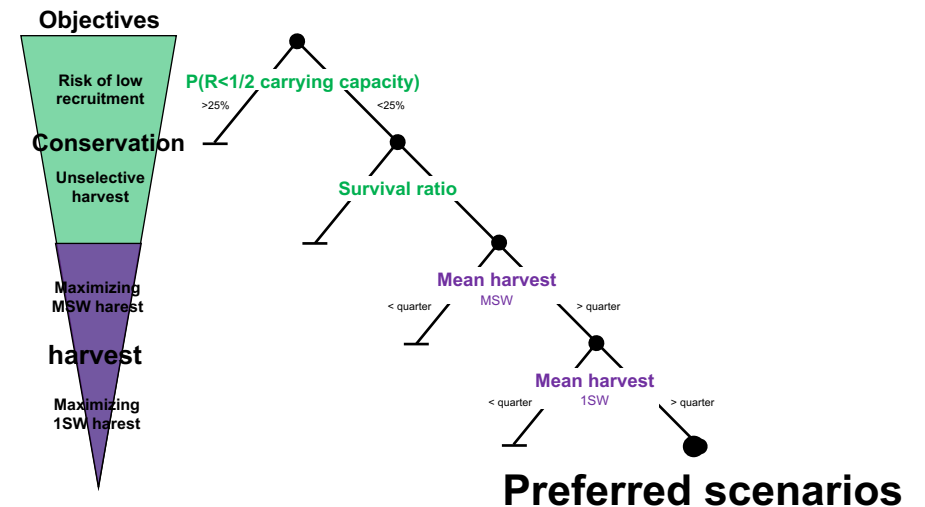
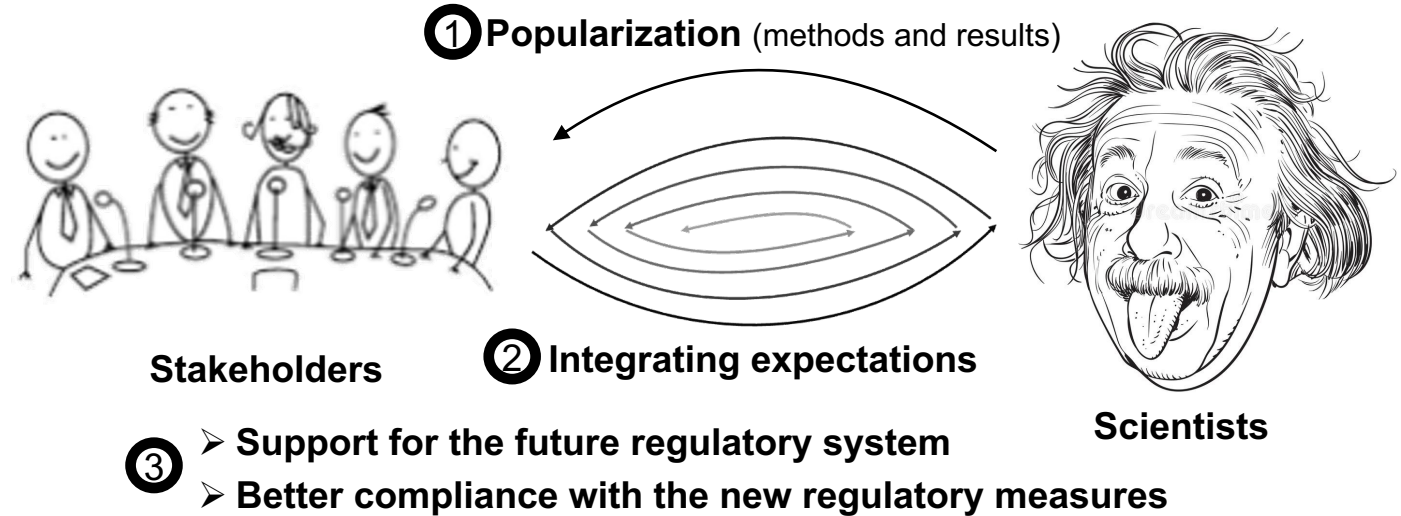


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- **The method** : Decision tree
- **The results** : A set of preferred scenarios to let the final cut to stakeholders

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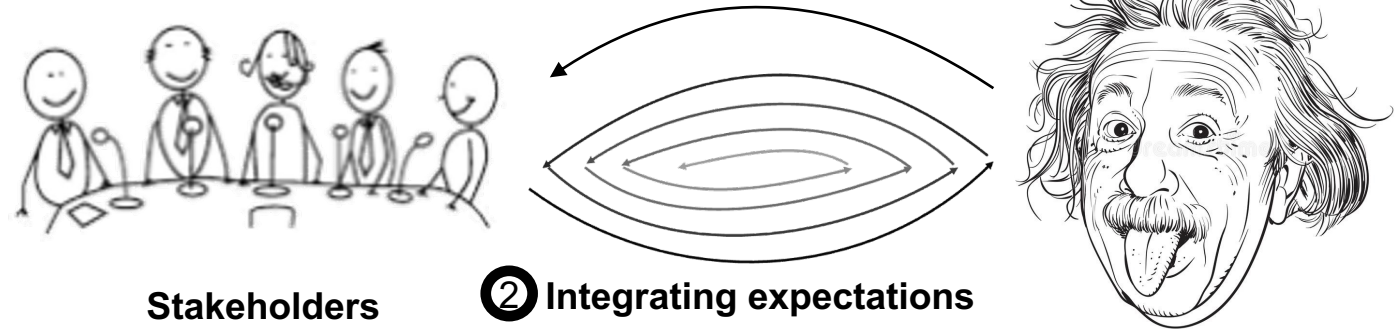
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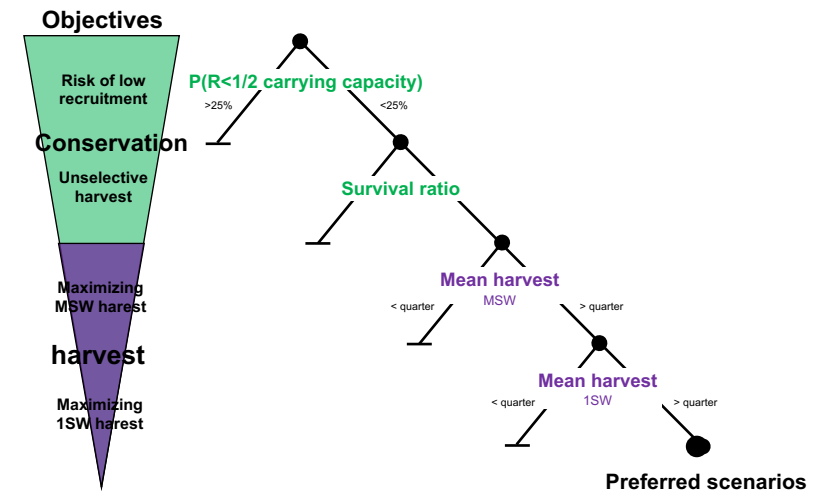


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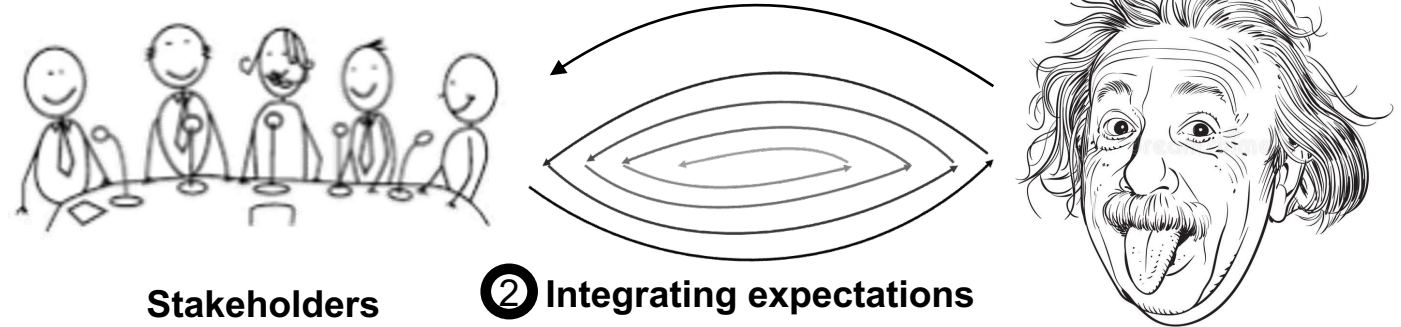
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