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(But really, what about Dungeness crab...)



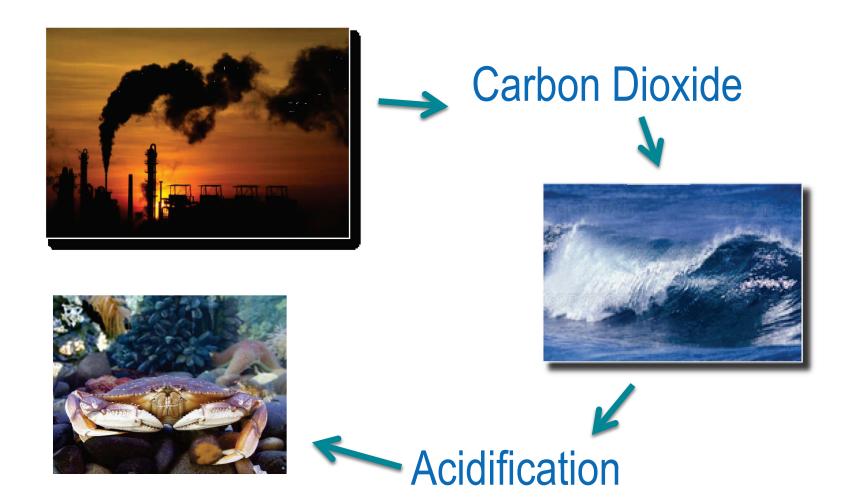
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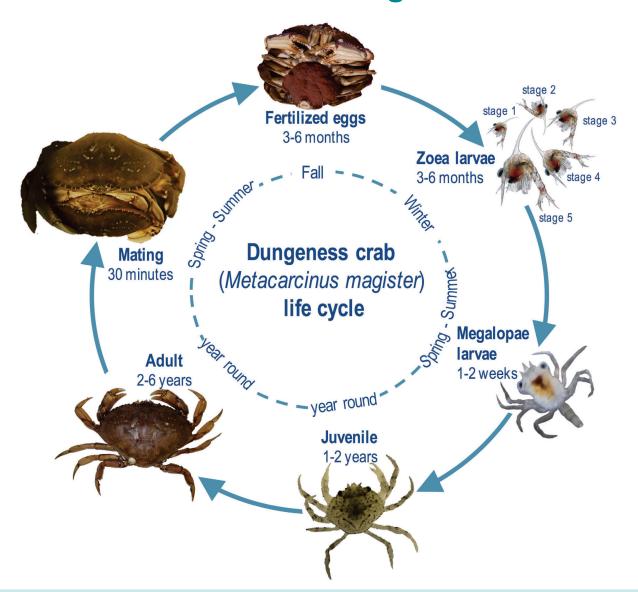
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Ocean Acidification





Ocean Acidification and Dungeness Crab





Vulnerability Framework

1. Highly Vulnerable

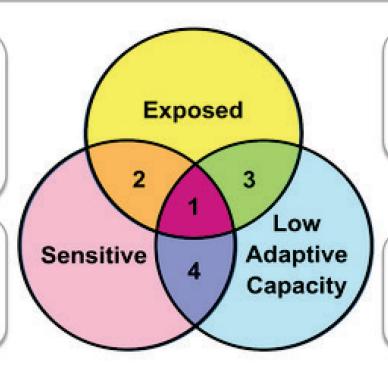
At greatest risk

- Specific research needed
- Interventions generally needed

2. Potential Adapters

May be at risk

 Monitor and support adaptive responses



3. Potential Persisters

May not be at risk

 Monitor population trends

4. High Latent Risk

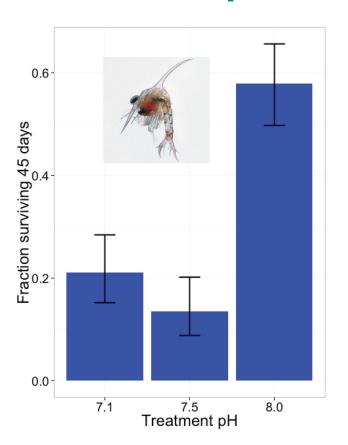
Not currently at risk

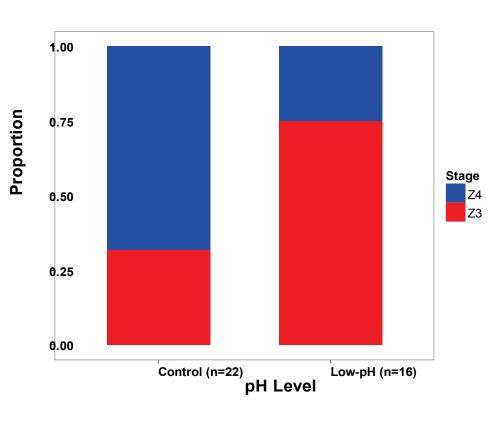
Monitor environment

Ocean Time Machine



Dungeness crab survival and development

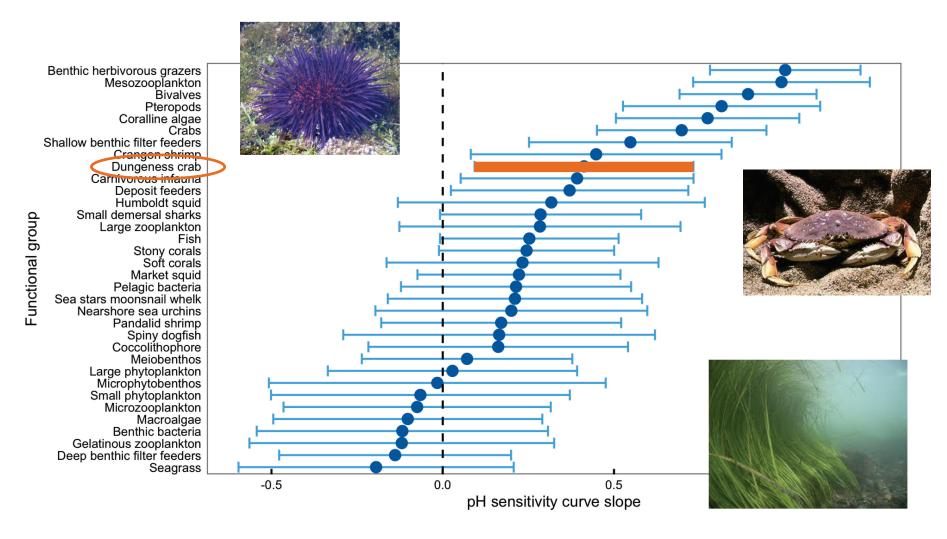






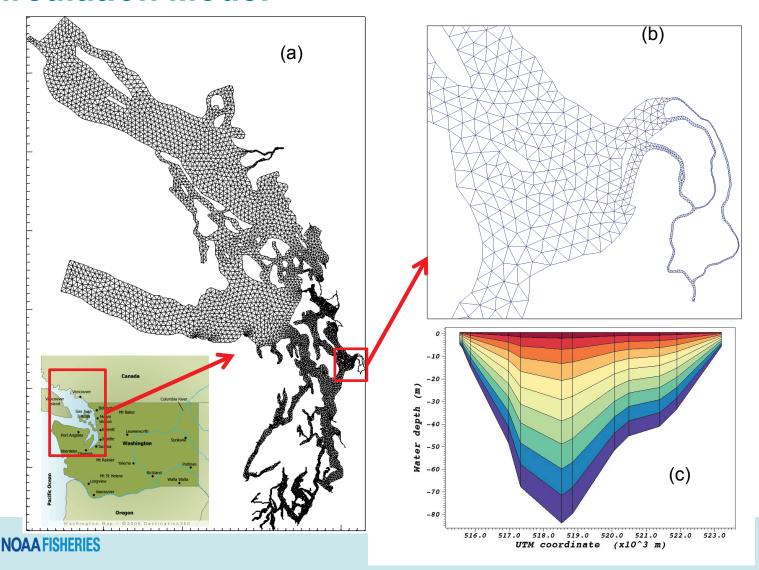
Relative pH Sensitivity:

Meta-analysis of ~400 OA Papers Relevant to California Current





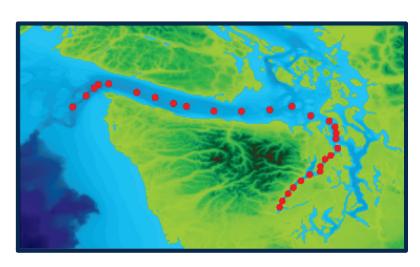
Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) Circulation Model



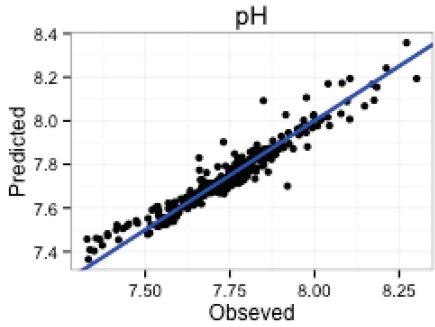
Carbonate Chemistry Proxies

Carbonate Parameter = f(temperature, salinity, oxygen)

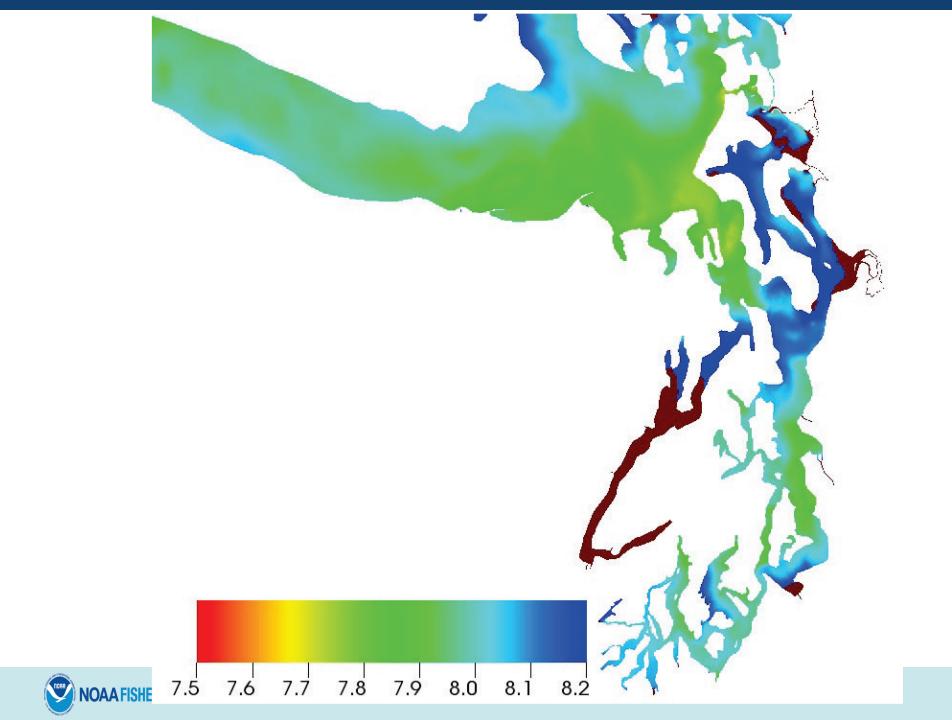
Puget Sound Carbonate Cruise 2008 (Feb and Aug)



Feely et al. 2010

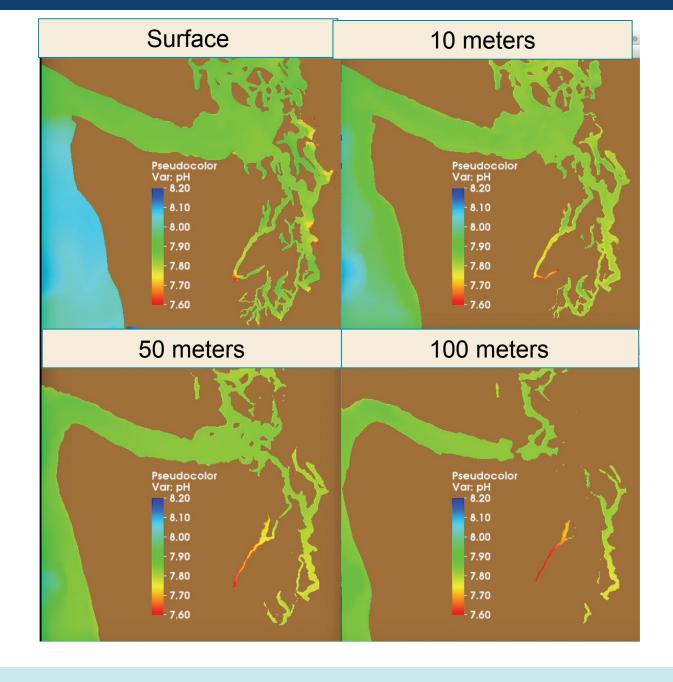






Explict Carbonate Chemistry

Puget Sound pH March to July 2014

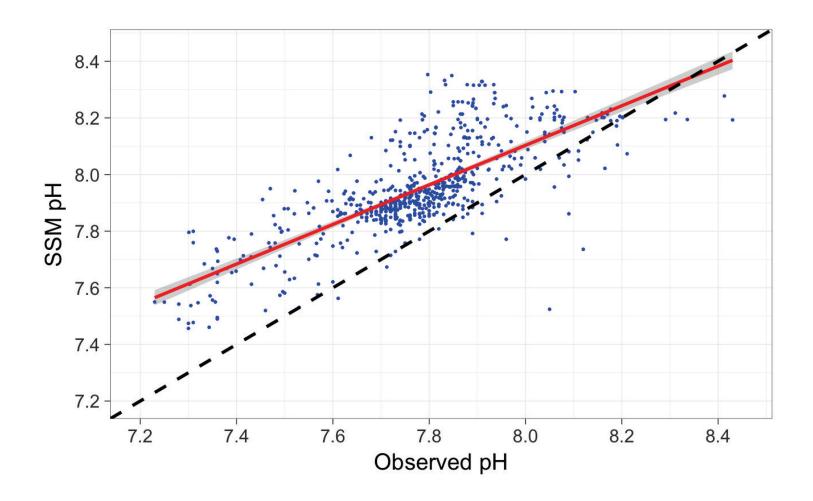




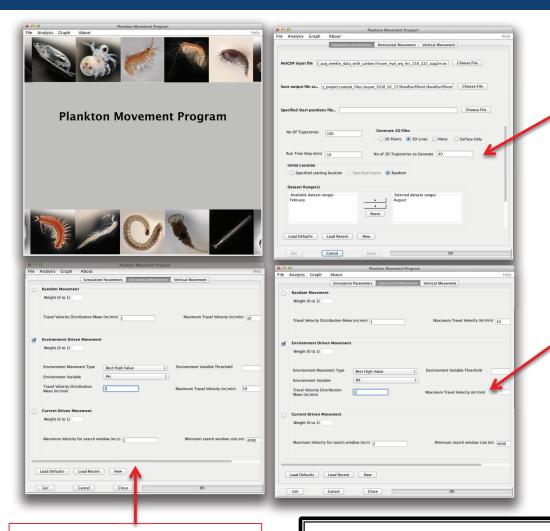
Puget Sound **Cruises** 2014 (June-July) (Sept.-Oct)



Model vs. Cruise pH - 2014







Simulation Parameters

- Circulation model input
- Number of trajectories
- Starting locations

Vertical Movement

- Surface only
- Daily Vertical Migrations (DVM)
- Current-drive
- Environment-driven
- Combination

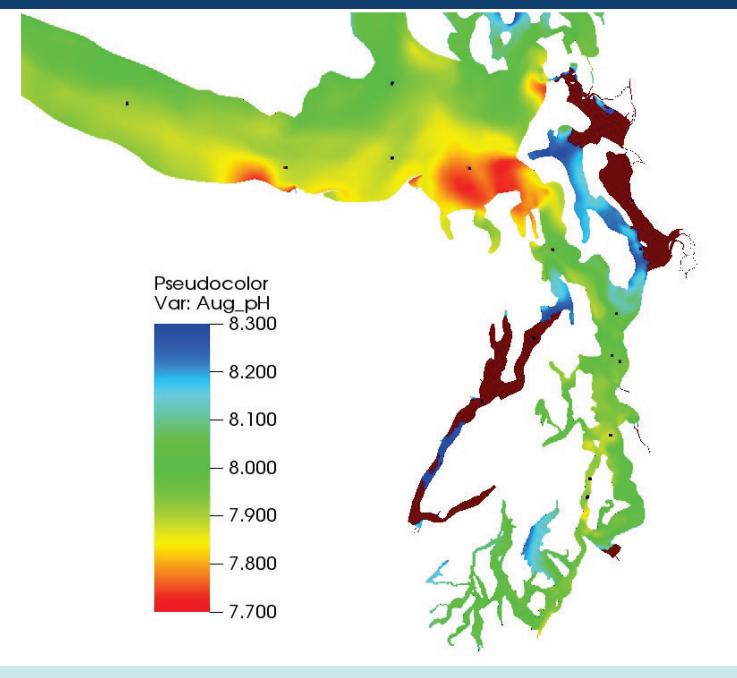
Horizontal Movement

- Stochastic
- Current-driven
- Environment-driven
- Combination

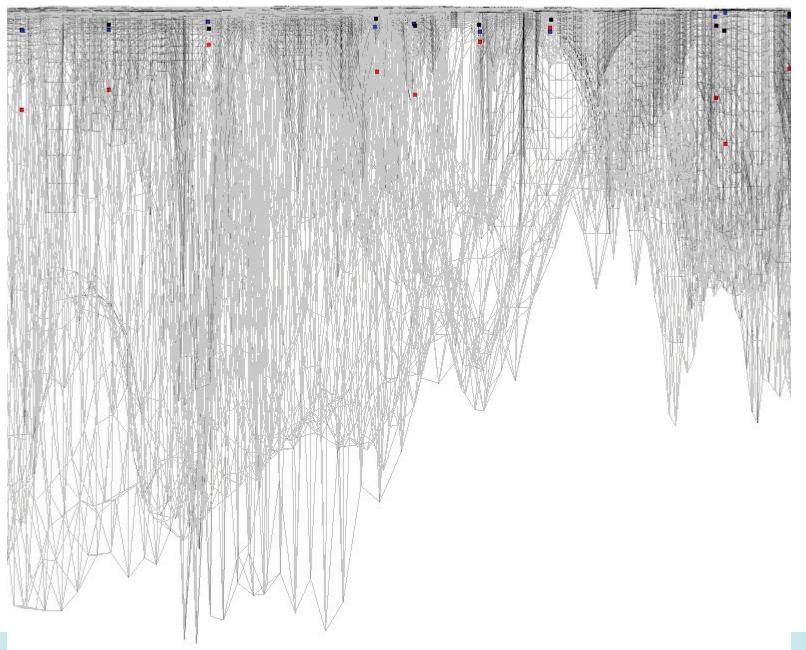
Plankton Movement Program (PMP)

Java program implements individually-based movement simulation



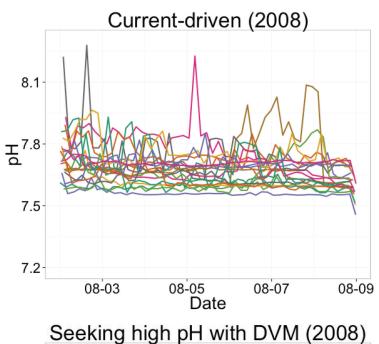


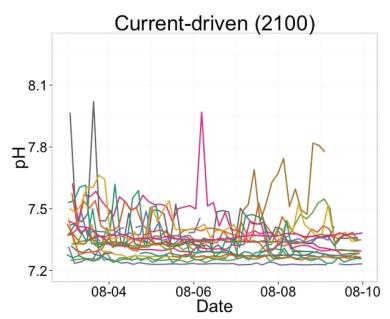


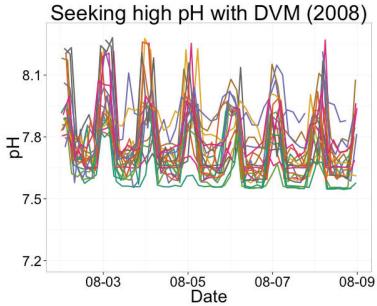


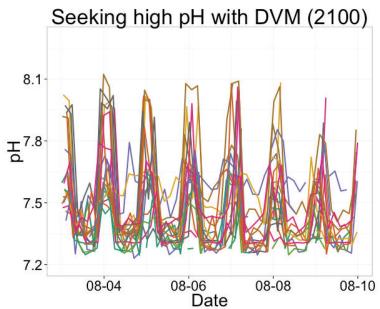


Trajectories

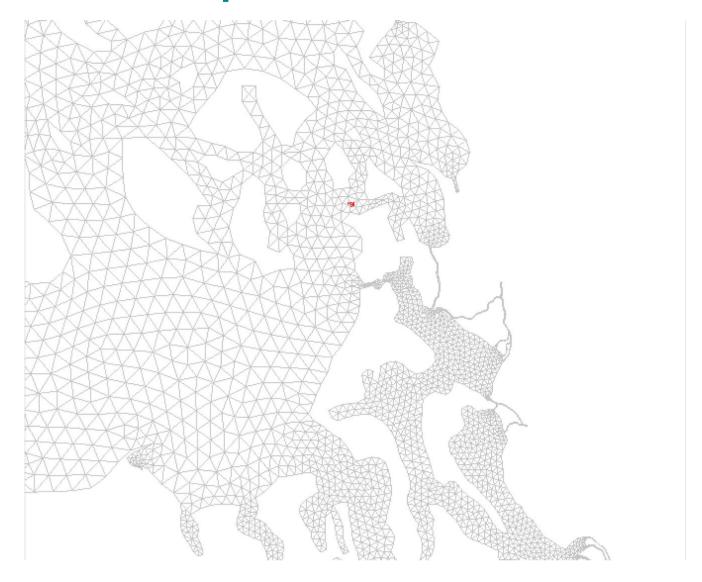








Dispersal from Ship Harbor

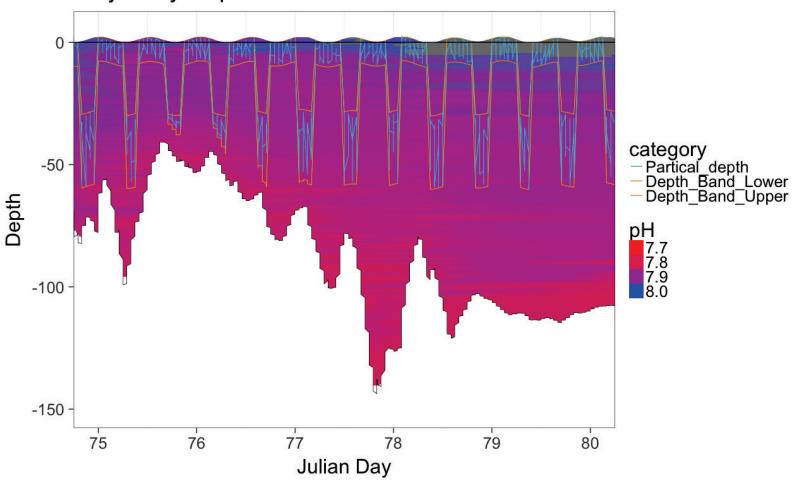


Crab Zoea on Edmunds Beach April 2017

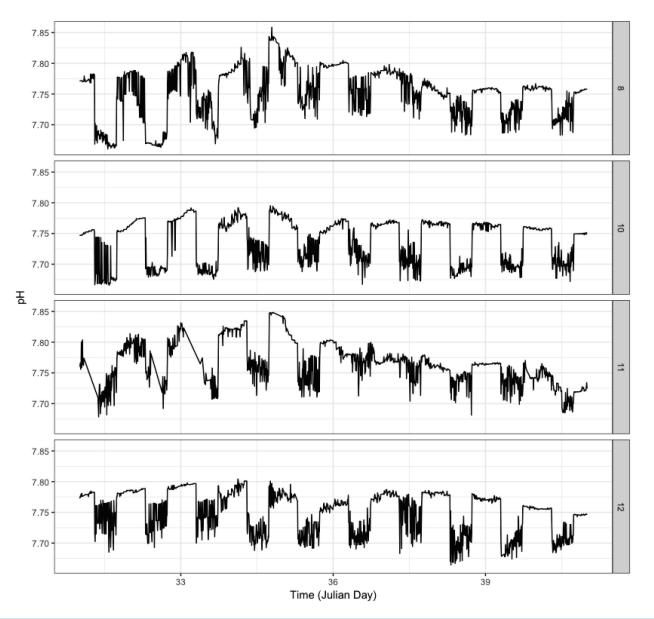




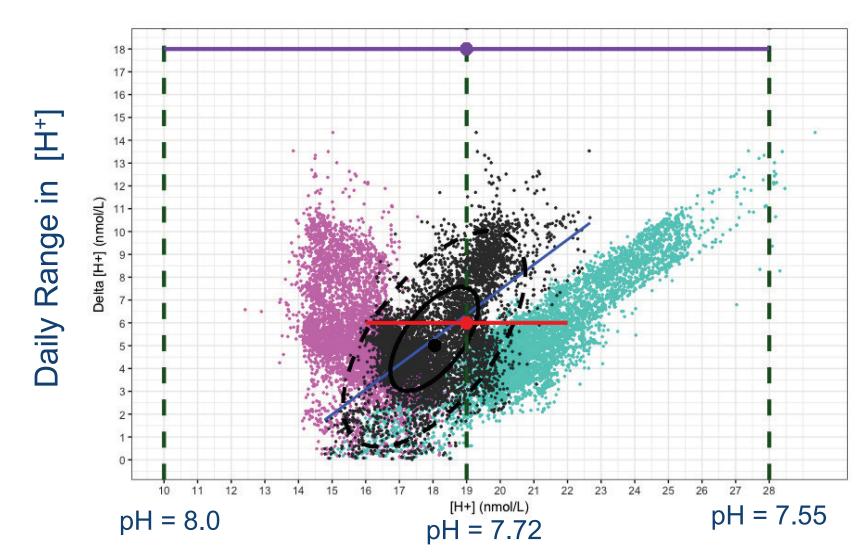
Trajectory Depth Slice











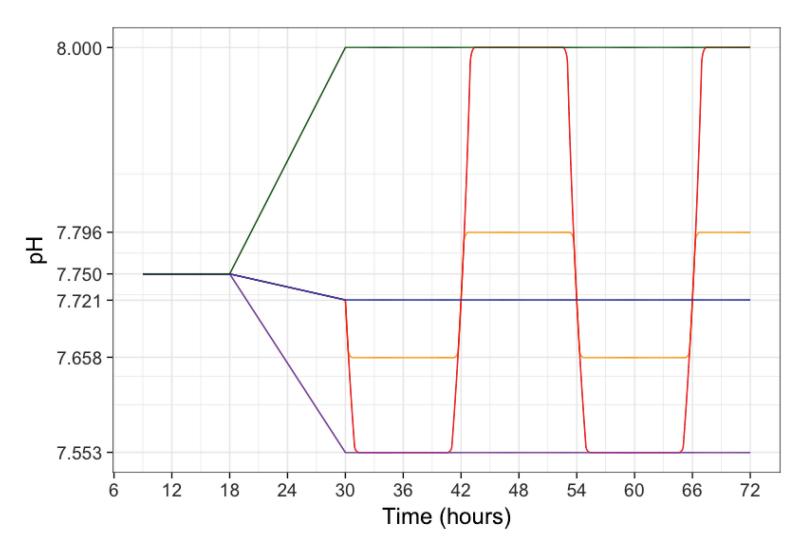
Hydrogen Ion Concentration

Pink = Daily Min

Pink = Daily Mean Pink = Daily Max



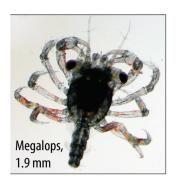
Experimental Fluctuating pH

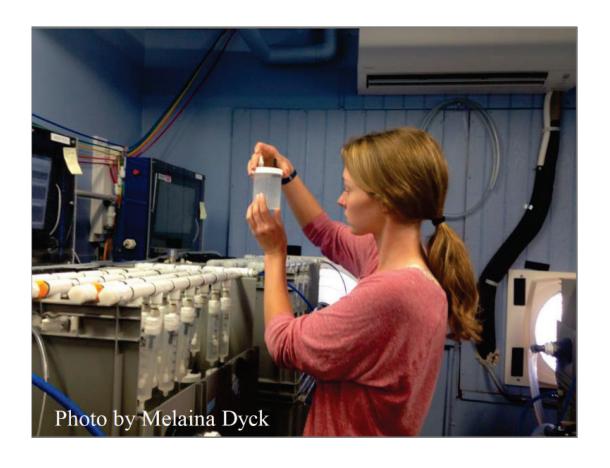




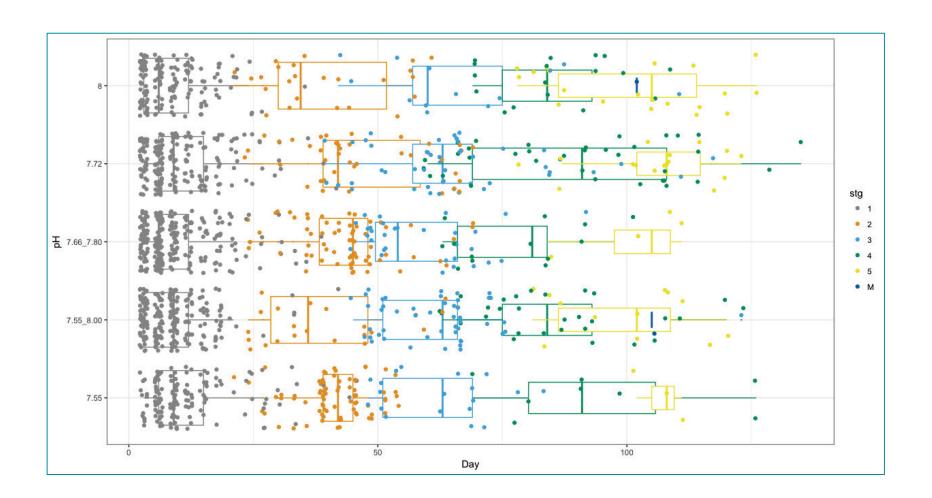
Fluctuating pH Experiment





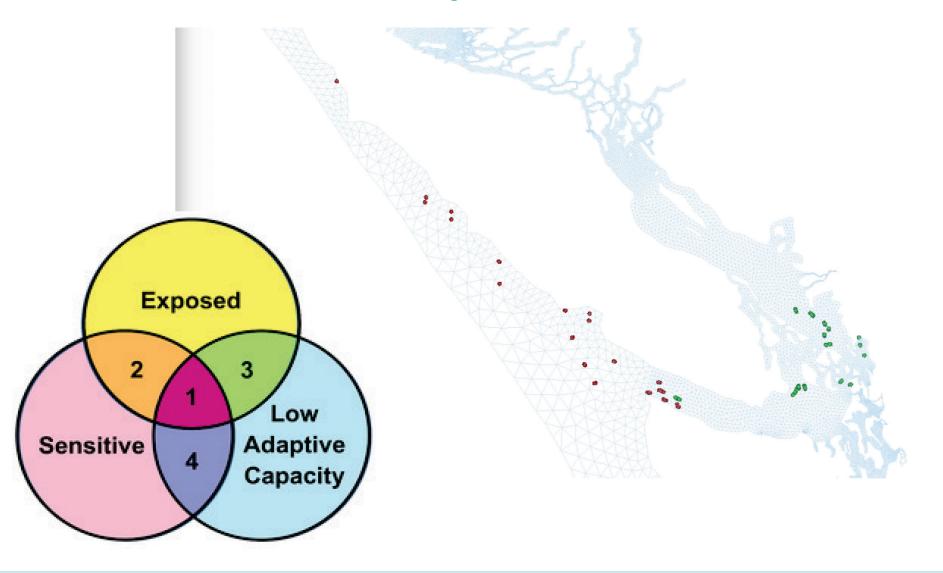


Zoea Development Stage in Fluctuating pH





SSM and Vulnerability Framework



Next Steps...

- Improved validation/tuning of carbonate chemistry
- Explicit forcing with future carbon
- Include more complex behavior (e.g. vertical decision making)
- User interface for plankton tracking

