

Supporting Information

Equation-free Mechanistic Ecosystem Forecasting Using Empirical Dynamic Modeling

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Supplementary Text

Attractor Reconstruction from Time Series

Broadly speaking, dynamic systems can be described as a set of states (i.e., a manifold) and rules (governing dynamics or hidden equations) for how the states evolve over time. Motion on the manifold can be projected onto a coordinate axis, forming a time series (Figure S1A). More generally, however, any set of sequential observations of the system state (i.e. a function that maps the state onto the real number line) is a time series.

For example, the Lorenz attractor (a simplified description of turbulent flow in the atmosphere (1)) is a dynamic system where the states are 3-dimensional vectors with coordinates x , y , and z , and whose motion is governed by three differential equations (Equation S1).

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= 10(y - x) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= x(28 - z) - y \\ \frac{dz}{dt} &= xy - \frac{8}{3}z\end{aligned}\quad [\text{S1}]$$

In an ecological setting, these variables could represent the abundances of different species (e.g., salmon, zooplankton, and phytoplankton), with the equations capturing the biological processes of growth, death, and predation. The projection of the system state onto one of the axes gives a time series for the population corresponding to that variable (Figure S1A).

If one knew all the relevant variables of a system, their time series could be used to reconstruct the original manifold, by plotting each variable as a separate coordinate. Given time series of sufficient length, it might even be possible to derive the equations of motion for that system. However, in nature, the system may be highly complex (hundreds or thousands of interacting variables or components), and time series are generally short. The method of time-delay embedding (2, 3) offers a solution to this problem; reconstructions of a dynamic system can be made using successive lags of a single time series (Figure S1B). Takens' theorem (2) states that, if enough lags are taken, this form of reconstruction is generically a diffeomorphism and preserves essential mathematical properties of the original system. In other words, local neighborhoods (and their trajectories) in the reconstruction map to local neighborhoods (and *their* trajectories) of the original system. This also permits forecasting, by finding nearest neighbors from among the historical record and using their behavior to estimate how the system will evolve through time (e.g., simplex projection, see Materials and Methods in main text).

Identifying Nonlinearity in Sockeye Salmon Dynamics

One application of EDM is to identify nonlinear dynamics in time series. For the Fraser River system, we first consider the 9 stocks in aggregate. Following (4), each time series of returns is linearly transformed to have mean = 0 and variance = 1. This preserves the quasicyclic behavior of each stock, but corrects for the relative magnitude across different stocks. The normalized time series are joined together end-to-end, in effect treating them as 9 instances of a single time series. Using simplex projection with $\tau = 1$ and predicting 1 year into the future, forecast skill (ρ) is maximized when 4 successive lags are used (Figure S2A). This is somewhat expected, because the quasi-cyclic nature of these returns has a 4 year periodicity: knowing the previous 4 years is sufficient to identify the current phase and estimate the current magnitude of returns.

Next, we employ the S-map procedure (5), which compares equivalent linear and nonlinear models (adjusting a tuning parameter, θ) to test for nonlinear dynamics. When $\theta = 0$, all points are weighted equally, and the model reduces to an autoregressive model of order E . For $\theta > 0$, nearby points are given stronger weighting, allowing the model to be adaptive to local influences and therefore, nonlinear. If the behavior of sockeye returns is purely periodic, then the linear model should have the highest forecast skill, because it can smooth out errors over the entire data set. However, Figure S2B shows that forecast skill peaks when θ is ~ 2 , which is evidence for nonlinearity in the aggregate time series. Using the randomization test of (6, 7), this improvement in forecast skill (decrease in MAE) is significant with $P = 0.002$.

As noted in (4), nonlinearity may appear as an artifact when aggregating linear time series with somewhat different dynamics. Therefore, to confirm the presence of nonlinearity, we also apply the S-map to each stock individually, using the same randomization test for whether the improvement in forecast error (MAE) is significant at the $\alpha = 0.10$ level (Table S1). Overall, these results are encouraging: we find 6 of the 9 stocks to be significantly nonlinear. We note, however, that the lack of significant nonlinearity in the Birkenhead, Seymour, and Weaver stocks may not necessarily indicate that these stocks are linear, as the S-map test can require lengthy time series for accurate discrimination.

Convergent Cross Mapping

If salmon mortality is strongly influenced by the environment, then the time series of salmon recruitment will contain information about past environmental states. This means that it

is possible to estimate past environmental conditions from salmon abundances. To the extent that this is true, the ability to recover past environmental states from the salmon time series is evidence for causal influence by the environment. This criterion for causation (convergent cross mapping, CCM) can be used to identify key variables and operates in nonlinear systems whereas linear correlation does not (8, 9).

CCM operates on much the same principle as generalized simplex projection in Equation 2 (see Materials and Methods in main text). Here, the notion is that if variable y has a causal influence on x , then the system state (represented using only lags of x) will contain an imprint of y . Thus, it should be possible to map between states of the system (the univariate reconstruction based on x) and the value of y . Cross mapping strength can be assessed by the correlation between the estimated values of y and the corresponding observed values. In a fully deterministic system with no noise, we expect this cross mapping correlation to approach 1 as time series length increases and the reconstruction becomes denser. As a practical indicator of causal influence, here we test whether the correlation is significantly positive when using the whole time series.

It is important to note that if a variable y is stochastic and influences x with a time lag, then cross mapping from x to y may show evidence of a causal interaction only if the appropriately lagged value of y is estimated. Here, we are interested in testing for the influence of the environment on juvenile salmon, which occurs when the salmon are 2 years old. Thus, a reconstruction based on salmon abundance for brood year t should be informative about the environment in calendar year $t+2$. Moreover, because it is only the 2-year old salmon that are affected by this early oceanic environment, it would not make sense to include measures of salmon abundance from multiple spawning broods (i.e., only salmon from brood year t should have information about the environment in year $t+2$). Therefore, we use multivariate CCM, cross mapping from the reconstruction $\mathbf{x}_t = \langle S'_t, R'_t \rangle$ (where S'_t and R'_t are the cycle-line normalized spawner and recruit abundances of brood year t , respectively, to account for the effect of cyclic dominance) to $y_t = U_{t+2}$ (where U_{t+2} is an environmental variable measured in calendar year $t+2$), to estimate the environmental effect that would have influenced that brood of salmon.

Table S3 shows the cross mapping results for each combination of the 9 stocks and 12 environmental time series considered in this work. Only some of the relationships appear significant, with most of the significant cross mapping occurring between temperature and the

Chilko, Early Stuart, Late Stuart, and Quesnel stocks. Surprisingly, this did not seem to match well with the identification of environmental variables using multivariate EDM (SST does not appear to be a necessary variable to achieve skillful forecasts for Chilko, Early Stuart, or Late Stuart). Moreover, for some stocks, river discharge or the PDO appeared to be important (EDM models excluding those variables produced substantially less accurate forecasts). Overall, this suggests that the effects of these environmental variables on recruitment may be more complex than can be captured with our CCM analysis. For instance, it could be the case that knowing the spawner abundance and river discharge can predict recruitment, but that this function may not be one-to-one, and so it is difficult to cross map the historical river discharge from the spawner and recruit data of a specific brood year.

In other systems, we could resolve such singularities in the cross mapping relationship by including more coordinates (i.e., using additional time series lags) in the reconstruction. However, here we are limited by the fact that our data (generally) record only 2 measurements of abundance for each spawning brood (spawner abundance and recruitment). Such is not the case for other marine species that are sampled in annual surveys, where an external influence that has occurred at a particular life stage will leave a record multiple times in the data (because the affected organisms will be recorded in many consecutive data points).

Determining Causal Environmental Variables

In addition to improving forecasts, an important application of EDM is to identify informative environmental variables and elucidate potential mechanisms. Here, an environmental variable is deemed causal if including that variable into a multivariate EDM model improves forecast skill. Thus, we use multivariate EDM to determine if the environment has any causal influence on sockeye salmon recruitment, by testing different combinations of environmental variables (Table S4). As noted above, data limitations mean that the CCM analysis (Table S3) may not be sensitive enough to identify environmental drivers for this system.

The results of multivariate EDM (Table S4) reveal which specific variables may be uniquely informative for particular stocks, or whether some variables may actually be interchangeable. When interpreting Table S4, it is important to keep in mind the nonuniqueness property of EDM models (i.e., there is no “true” model, but many combinations of variables that can give similarly good performance). Thus, the inclusion of a variable in multivariate EDM does not imply a direct causal link, as the variable could be an indirect observation of the true

mechanism. Furthermore, the exclusion of a variable does not mean that said variable has no effect, either. It could be the case that multiple stochastic drivers interact to affect recruitment, such that an incomplete set of observations on those drivers do not improve forecasts. In such cases, extending the set of tested variables may reveal causal mechanisms that were previously hidden.

In addition, because EDM operates in a nonlinear (non-additive) framework, we note that it is not possible to partition a model's performance (i.e., variance explained) in terms of individual variables. Nonlinear state-dependence necessarily implies that the effect of one variable may depend on another. For example, in a model that includes temperature and river discharge, the addition of temperature may improve forecasts only under certain conditions of river discharge (e.g., low temperatures are better for recruitment, but only when river discharge is high). Including temperature by itself may not improve forecasts at all, and so the "variance explained" by temperature necessarily depends on the other variables of the EDM model, thus making it impossible to assign independent r^2 (variance explained) values for each variable in the model.

Possible Causal Mechanisms for SST, River Discharge, and the PDO

The tested variables (river discharge, sea-surface temperature, the Pacific Decadal Oscillation) have been thought to influence sockeye salmon recruitment by being indicative of juvenile mortality in the early marine period (i.e., the first year of ocean residence) (10). For example, river discharge may improve multivariate EDM forecasts because of its effect on food availability, which is believed to play a role in determining this mortality (11). By affecting estuarine circulation in the Strait of Georgia, freshwater input (from the Fraser River and other riverine sources) can influence ocean productivity (12); indeed, river discharge, in combination with wind and other factors, has been linked to low oceanic productivity in the Strait of Georgia that may have contributed to poor returns of sockeye salmon in 2009 (11, 13).

Using multivariate EDM, we do find support for river discharge as an informative variable, with the best EDM model for 4 of the 9 stocks containing river discharge as a coordinate (Table 1). Furthermore, for these 4 stocks (Early Stuart, Late Shuswap, Late Stuart, and Weaver), nearly all of the top-ranking EDM models include river discharge as a coordinate (i.e., Table S4). However, other than Late Stuart, there are EDM models excluding river discharge that have similar performance, suggesting that for Early Stuart, Late Shuswap, and

Weaver, river discharge may be redundant if other observations of the environmental are available. Thus, while river discharge may be an informative variable, it does not appear to be strictly necessary for skillful predictions, except in the case of Late Stuart.

Pine Island SST also appears to be an important variable, and is included in the best multivariate model for 4 of the 9 stocks (Table 1). With Pine Island lighthouse located at the boundary between Queen Charlotte Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound (Figure 3), the measured SST could be informative about the conditions that juvenile sockeye salmon experience after exiting the Strait of Georgia. That Pine Island SST can be informative about recruitment resonates with evidence that anomalous conditions in this area during 2007 were associated with low returns 2 years later (2009), while favorable conditions (low freshwater runoff and moderate northerly winds) in 2008 were associated with record high returns in 2010 (13). Here, only the Quesnel stock seems to require Pine Island SST for skillful forecasts, as the best model for Quesnel excluding this variable is much less skillful. For the remaining 3 stocks where the best EDM model included Pine Island SST, there were alternative multivariate EDM models including only other variables that showed very similar performance (Table S4). This suggests that the information in Pine Island SST relevant for predicting recruitment in these stocks may be duplicated in other environmental variables (see discussion in main text on non-uniqueness).

Lastly, although many studies (14-16) have found that decadal-scale climate and oceanic indicators, such as the PDO, are predictive of *regional* productivity for Pacific salmon, one important question is whether this relationship holds at the individual stock level (i.e., do all stocks rise and fall in sync with one another). Among the Fraser River sockeye salmon, at least, there do not appear to be consistent patterns: there has been an overall decline since the early 1990s, but productivity for some stocks (e.g., Early Stuart) has been declining since the 1960s, while others (e.g., Late Shuswap, Weaver) have not exhibited a declining trend at all (17). Our results similarly show no uniform effect of the PDO, as the best EDM model only includes the PDO as a coordinate for 2 of 9 stocks. In both cases (Stellako and Quesnel), however, performance is substantially improved when other variables are included compared to the model that includes just the PDO (Table S4). Thus, while the PDO may be informative for overall productivity of the Fraser River system, individual stocks appear to be sensitive to more localized environmental conditions; thus including additional (local) environmental variables is essential for improving forecasts for those stocks.

Including Smolt Data into EDM Models

For the Chilko stock, even an exhaustive search for the best possible multivariate EDM model did not produce very accurate forecasts ($\rho < 0.4$, Figure S4). One possible explanation is that the relationship between spawner abundance and recruits is complex, such that a reconstruction using spawning stock and the tested environmental variables does not uniquely determine recruitment. In such cases, additional observations, such as other environmental factors or measures of salmon abundance at different ages, could resolve singularities in the reconstruction, thereby improving forecasts. For the Chilko stock, a long time series of smolt abundance is available, allowing us to include this variable as an additional coordinate in the multivariate EDM model (Equation S2, J'_t is smolt abundance normalized to the current cycle line). Testing this model, we found improvements in both accuracy and error (Figure S4).

$$x_t = \langle S'_t, J'_t, \text{ET}_{t+2, \text{May}}, \text{PDO}_{t+2} \rangle \quad [\text{S2}]$$

Although the added expense of collecting this kind of data many not be reasonable for all stocks (particularly those that are already very predictable using the tested variables), these observations of sockeye at different ages are additional sources of information that could potentially improve forecasts, giving managers the ability to make trade-offs between data collection and predictability.

Estimating Uncertainty for Simplex Projection Forecasts

We note that the EDM models presented here produce point estimates for the number of returning sockeye salmon. However, fisheries management protocols often require an estimate of the uncertainty surrounding each forecast (i.e. confidence intervals) in order to evaluate the risks associated with management actions. Within the EDM framework, this uncertainty can be addressed in several ways. For example, the relative divergence of nearby trajectories in the reconstructed state space measures how sensitive the future will be to the current state, and is therefore directly indicative of forecast uncertainty. Here we demonstrate a simple implementation of this idea, by noting that the simplex projection method produces forecasts by computing a weighted average of the target variable, y (equation 2 from the main text):

$$\hat{y}_{s+h} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^b w_i(s) y_{n(s,i)+h}}{\sum_{i=1}^b w_i(s)} \quad [\text{S3}]$$

In effect, the values of $y_{n(s,i)+h}$ can be thought of as the sample space for the desired prediction,

where each value has probability $p_i(s) = \frac{w_i(s)}{\sum_{i=1}^b w_i(s)}$. Equation S3 computes a forecast as the

expected value of this probability mass function. This idea can then be extended to the second moment of this function in order to compute a variance:

$$\text{Var}(\hat{y}_{s+h}) = \text{E}[(y_{n(s,i)+h} - \hat{y}_{s+h})^2] = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^b w_i(s) (y_{n(s,i)+h} - \hat{y}_{s+h})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^b w_i(s)} \quad [\text{S3}]$$

Note that as the difference between each neighbor's forecast and the weighted average increases, variance will also increase, thus tracking the divergence of the nearest neighbors.

Because simplex projection is used to forecast relative age 4 and age 5 recruits, which are linearly combined to forecast returns (see Materials and Methods), we can similarly compute the variance of returns:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{N}_t) &= \text{Var}(\hat{R}_{4,t-4}) + \text{Var}(\hat{R}_{5,t-5}) + \text{Cov}(\hat{R}_{4,t-4}, \hat{R}_{5,t-5}) \\ \text{Var}(\hat{R}_{a,t}) &= \text{Var}(\hat{R}'_{a,t}) \cdot (\sigma_k(R_a))^2 \end{aligned} \quad [\text{S4}]$$

Here, because the age 4 and age 5 recruits are computed from separate data, we can assume that the covariance is 0 (because the selection of nearest neighbors used to compute $\hat{R}_{4,t-4}$ are independent of those used to compute $\hat{R}_{5,t-5}$).

This is demonstrated in Figure S5 for the best multivariate EDM model of the Late Shuswap stock. Plotting the EDM forecasts along with standard errors, it is clear that there is good correspondence: variability is higher for the dominant cycle line (as would be expected) and forecasts are generally within 1 standard error of the realized returns.

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Movie S1 (legend only)

This movie describes the essential mechanics of Empirical Dynamic Modeling, demonstrating the relationship between time series and dynamic attractors and illustrating how Takens' Theorem (23) can be used to reconstruct a shadow manifold.

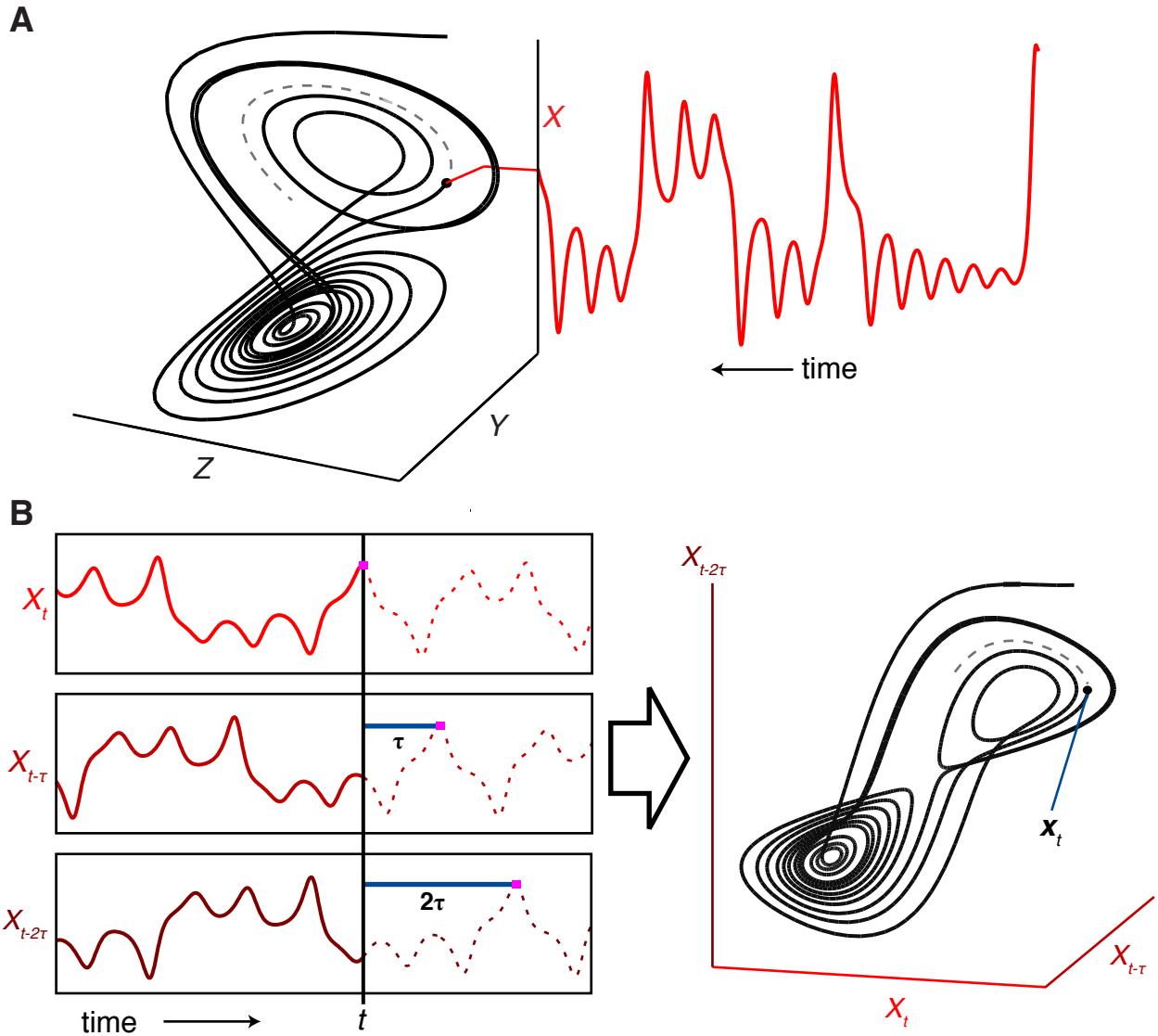


Figure S1. Reconstruction of System Dynamics from a Time Series

A Projecting the motion of the canonical Lorenz attractor onto the x -axis yields a time series for variable x . **B** Successive lags (with time step τ) of the time series x_t are plotted as separate coordinates to form a reconstructed “shadow” manifold that preserves essential mathematical properties of the original system (and is visually similar).

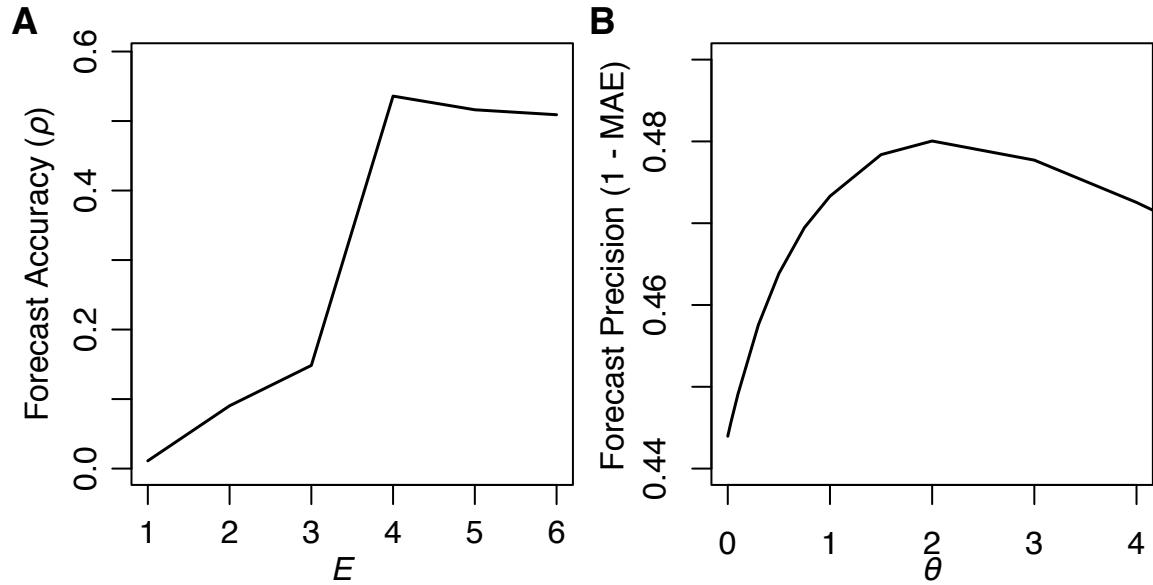


Figure S2. Nonlinearity in Fraser River Sockeye Salmon.

Following (36), we concatenate time series of returns for 9 stocks. **A** Forecasting returns using simplex projection, 4 is identified as the optimal embedding dimension. **B** Using the S-map procedure, forecast skill is highest for $\theta \sim 2$ ($P = 0.002$), which demonstrates nonlinear state dependence in salmon dynamics.

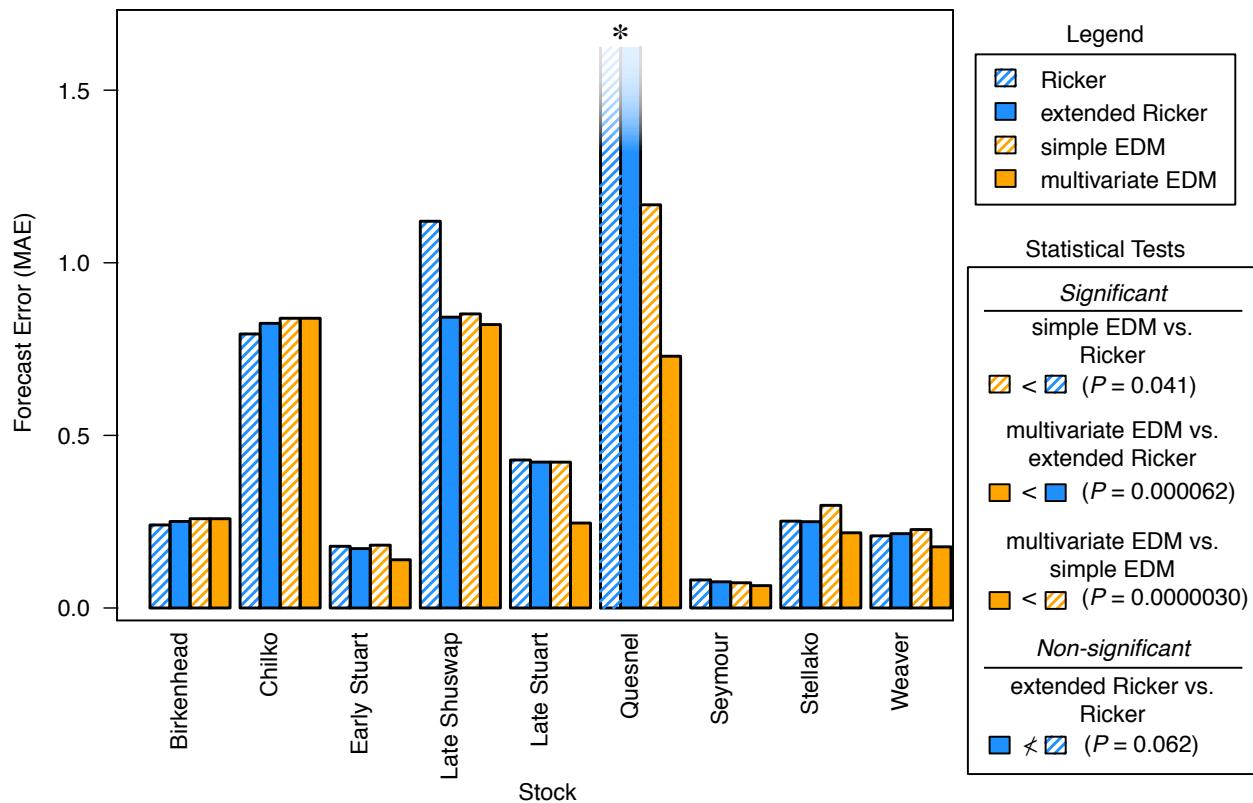


Figure S3. Comparison of Forecast Precision using MAE

The simple EDM model has lower error than the equivalent Ricker model, ($t(493) = -1.75, P = 0.041$). Including environmental data significantly improves precision for the EDM models ($t(493) = -4.58, P = 3.0 \times 10^{-6}$), but not for the Ricker models ($t(493) = -1.54, P = 0.062$), and the resulting multivariate EDM models also have significantly lower error than the Ricker equivalents ($t(493) = -3.87, P = 6.2 \times 10^{-5}$).

* Note that the error for the Ricker and extended Ricker model extends beyond the upper range shown here. MAE is 2.13 for the Ricker model and 2.06 for the extended Ricker model.

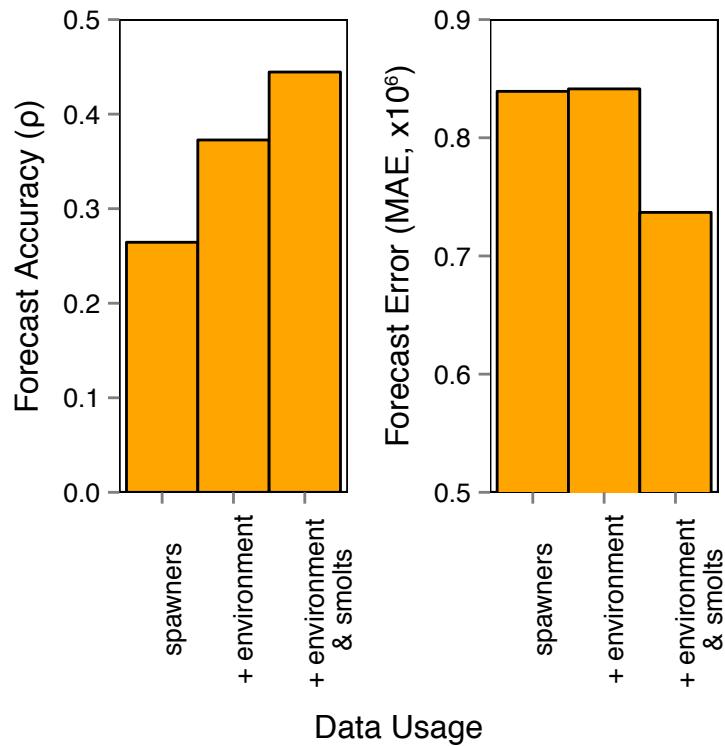


Figure S4. Including Smolt Data into the Chilko EDM Model

For the Chilko stock, adding smolt time series as a coordinate in the best environmental EDM model (spawners & May Entrance Island SST & the PDO) improves both accuracy and error.

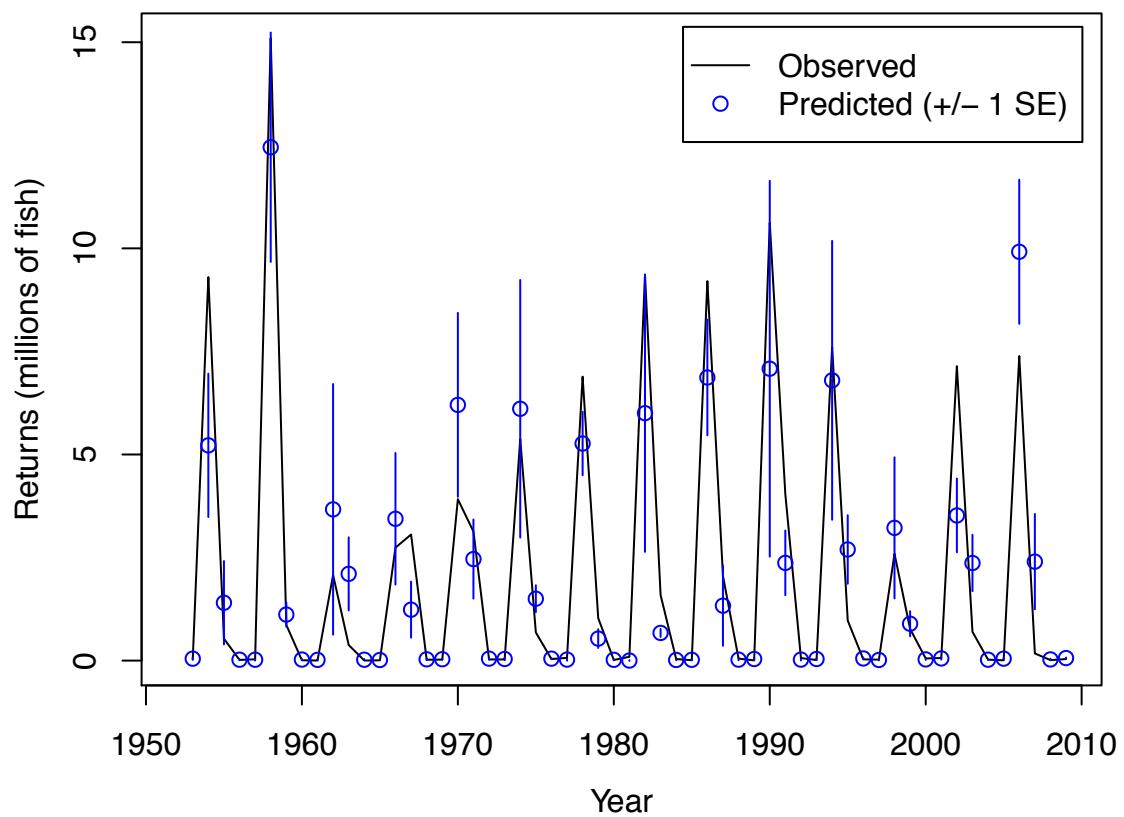


Figure S5. Standard Errors for EDM Forecasts of Late Shuswap Returns.

Extending the simplex projection algorithm, standard errors for each forecast can be computed. Here, the predictions of the multivariate EDM model are plotted against observations for the Late Shuswap stock.

Table S1. Nonlinearity Tests for Individual Stocks

stock	E	θ	Δ MAE	P value	significantly nonlinear?
Birkenhead	5	0	0	0.494	no
Chilko	6	2	-0.070	*0.024	yes
Early Stuart	6	4	-0.023	*0.050	yes
Late Shuswap	4	2	-0.389	*0.014	yes
Late Stuart	8	3	-0.054	*0.060	yes
Quesnel	7	4	-0.298	*0.008	yes
Seymour	8	0.5	-0.002	0.162	no
Stellako	7	2	-0.025	*0.014	yes
Weaver	1	0	0	0.496	no

E is embedding dimension, θ is the optimal value of the nonlinear tuning parameter, Δ MAE is the difference in error between the model at the optimal value of θ and the model at $\theta = 0$ (negative values indicate a decrease in error, or improvement with $\theta > 0$), P value is for a randomization test with 500 iterations (* indicates significance at the $\alpha = 0.10$ level).

Table S2. Comparison of Model Performance

comparison	performance measure	test type	test statistic	df	<i>P</i> value
simple EDM vs. Ricker	ρ	<i>t</i>	1.77	492	*0.039
	MAE	<i>t</i>	-1.75	493	*0.041
multivariate EDM vs. extended Ricker	ρ	<i>t</i>	2.20	492	*0.014
	MAE	<i>t</i>	-3.87	493	* 6.2×10^{-5}
extended Ricker vs. Ricker	ρ	<i>t</i>	1.26	492	0.10
	MAE	<i>t</i>	-1.54	493	0.062
multivariate EDM vs. simple EDM	ρ	<i>t</i>	2.83	492	*0.0024
	MAE	<i>t</i>	-4.58	493	* 3.0×10^{-6}

* indicates significance at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level

Table S3. Results of Cross Mapping

stock	N	95% ρ	xmap D _{max}	xmap D _{apr}	xmap D _{may}	xmap D _{jun}	xmap ET _{apr}	xmap ET _{may}	xmap ET _{jun}	xmap PT _{apr}	xmap PT _{may}	xmap PT _{jun}	xmap PT _{jul}	xmap PDO
Birkenhead	58	0.218	0.108	-0.294	0.105	0.182	0.141	-0.122	0.046	-0.13	-0.003	0.029	-0.024	-0.151
Chilko	58	0.218	-0.197	0.045	0.172	-0.085	0.161	-0.024	0.215	0.244	0.194	0.288	0.211	0.042
Early Stuart	58	0.218	-0.005	-0.015	0.166	0.054	0.468	0.459	0.107	0.276	0.300	0.275	0.255	-0.079
Late Shuswap	58	0.218	-0.3	0.034	-0.178	-0.178	-0.081	0.309	0.011	0.024	0.018	0.166	0.199	0.192
Late Stuart	57	0.220	0.007	0.036	-0.058	-0.023	0.481	0.512	0.442	0.313	0.377	0.313	0.242	0.182
Quesnel	58	0.218	0.107	0.443	-0.033	0.087	0.599	0.371	0.243	0.523	0.611	0.562	0.532	0.2
Seymour	58	0.218	-0.326	0.006	0.157	-0.212	0.057	-0.185	-0.279	0.093	-0.073	0.069	0.219	0.230
Stellako	58	0.218	-0.063	0.085	-0.017	0.032	0.207	0.033	-0.298	0.101	0.032	0.123	0.081	-0.055
Weaver	40	0.264	-0.076	0.122	-0.285	0.044	-0.116	-0.213	-0.067	-0.286	-0.085	-0.068	0.043	-0.125

N is the number of predictions, 95% ρ is the critical value for significance at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level, “xmap {VAR}” columns are the cross mapping correlations for {VAR}, where ET is Entrance Island SST, PT is Pine Island SST, D is Fraser River discharge, and PDO is Pacific Decadal Oscillation. Highlighted cells indicate significant cross mapping at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level.

Table S4. Results of Multivariate EDM

stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
	S	57	0.156	0.259
	S, PT_{jul}	57	0.125	0.26
	S, D_{may}	57	0.088	0.234
	S, ET_{may}	57	0.005	0.282
	S, PDO	57	0.005	0.293
	S, PT_{may}	57	-0.022	0.319
Birkenhead	S, D_{max}	57	-0.034	0.303
	S, ET_{jun}	57	-0.108	0.287
	S, PT_{jun}	57	-0.119	0.324
	S, D_{apr}	57	-0.144	0.306
	S, D_{jun}	57	-0.154	0.324
	S, PT_{apr}	57	-0.166	0.329
	S, ET_{apr}	57	-0.244	0.312
	S	57	0.264	0.839
	S, PT_{jul}	57	0.25	0.853
	S, ET_{jun}	57	0.221	1.006
	S, D_{max}	57	0.221	0.914
	S, ET_{may}	57	0.208	0.942
	S, PT_{may}	57	0.203	0.918
Chilko	S, ET_{apr}	57	0.199	0.934
	S, PT_{apr}	57	0.184	0.879
	S, D_{may}	57	0.177	0.839
	S, PT_{jun}	57	0.173	0.921
	S, D_{apr}	57	0.153	0.896
	S, PDO	57	0.065	1.014
	S, D_{jun}	57	-0.017	1.118

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stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
	S, D_{apr}, D_{jun}	57	0.878	0.140
	S, D_{may}, D_{jun}	57	0.876	0.132
	$S, D_{jun},$ ET_{may}	57	0.858	0.132
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{jul}	57	0.838	0.127
	S, D_{jun}, ET_{apr}	57	0.837	0.131
	S, D_{max}, D_{jun}	57	0.831	0.147
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{may}	57	0.830	0.144
	S, D_{jun}	57	0.830	0.134
	S, ET_{apr}	57	0.827	0.130
	S, ET_{may}	57	0.824	0.137
	S, D_{max}	57	0.809	0.159
Early Stuart	S, D_{jun}, PT_{apr}	57	0.803	0.156
	S, D_{may}	57	0.801	0.154
	S, D_{jun}, PDO	57	0.801	0.143
	S, D_{jun}, ET_{jun}	57	0.794	0.159
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{jun}	57	0.790	0.158
	S, PT_{apr}	57	0.789	0.157
	S, ET_{jun}	57	0.788	0.155
	S, PT_{may}	57	0.787	0.165
	S, PDO	57	0.783	0.151
	S, PT_{jun}	57	0.781	0.167
	S, PT_{jul}	57	0.749	0.172
	S, D_{apr}	57	0.718	0.175
	S	57	0.685	0.182

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stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
Late Shuswap	$S, D_{\text{may}}, PT_{\text{jul}}$	57	0.923	0.821
	S, D_{may}	57	0.912	0.807
	S	57	0.900	0.852
	$S, D_{\text{may}}, ET_{\text{apr}}$	57	0.892	0.918
	$S, D_{\text{may}}, ET_{\text{jun}}$	57	0.862	0.968
	S, D_{max}	57	0.840	1.000
	$S, D_{\text{may}}, PT_{\text{may}}$	57	0.831	1.065
	$S, D_{\text{may}}, ET_{\text{may}}$	57	0.831	0.887
	$S, D_{\text{may}}, D_{\text{jun}}$	57	0.819	1.079
	S, D_{apr}	57	0.816	1.106
	S, D_{may}, PDO	57	0.801	1.161
	S, PT_{jul}	57	0.800	1.059
	$S, D_{\text{max}}, D_{\text{may}}$	57	0.799	1.098
	S, PDO	57	0.799	1.049
	S, PT_{jun}	57	0.795	1.197
	S, PT_{may}	57	0.795	1.200
	$S, D_{\text{may}}, PT_{\text{apr}}$	57	0.793	1.114
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, D_{\text{may}}$	57	0.792	1.201
	S, ET_{apr}	57	0.784	1.115
	S, ET_{may}	57	0.775	1.021
	$S, D_{\text{may}}, PT_{\text{jun}}$	57	0.772	1.224
	S, ET_{jun}	57	0.764	1.203
	S, PT_{apr}	57	0.753	1.206
	S, D_{jun}	57	0.739	1.200

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stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
Late Stuart	S, D_{jun}, ET_{apr}	56	0.783	0.250
	S, D_{may}, D_{jun}	56	0.752	0.305
	S, D_{apr}, D_{jun}	56	0.733	0.300
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{jul}	56	0.708	0.316
	S, D_{jun}	56	0.706	0.319
	S, ET_{may}	56	0.675	0.344
	S, D_{max}, D_{jun}	56	0.667	0.343
	S, D_{jun}, PDO	56	0.644	0.338
	S, ET_{apr}	56	0.638	0.336
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{may}	56	0.625	0.348
	S, D_{jun}, ET_{jun}	56	0.625	0.362
	S, D_{jun}, ET_{may}	56	0.621	0.365
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{apr}	56	0.618	0.352
	S, PT_{jun}	56	0.602	0.403
	S, D_{may}	56	0.590	0.376
	S, D_{apr}	56	0.588	0.409
	S	56	0.550	0.422
	S, PT_{may}	56	0.548	0.414
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{jun}	56	0.548	0.394
	S, PT_{apr}	56	0.545	0.430
	S, PDO	56	0.545	0.368
	S, PT_{jul}	56	0.518	0.418
	S, ET_{jun}	56	0.509	0.428
	S, D_{max}	56	0.469	0.478

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stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
Quesnel	S, PT_{may}, PDO	57	0.861	0.729
	S, ET_{jun}, PT_{may}	57	0.787	0.871
	S, PT_{apr}, PT_{may}	57	0.770	0.894
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{may}	57	0.768	0.895
	S, D_{max}, PT_{may}	57	0.756	0.884
	S, ET_{apr}, PT_{may}	57	0.754	0.922
	S, PT_{may}	57	0.753	0.889
	S, PT_{may}, PT_{jul}	57	0.739	0.905
	S, PT_{apr}	57	0.729	0.969
	S, PT_{may}, PT_{jun}	57	0.726	0.945
	S, D_{jun}	57	0.724	0.927
	S, D_{max}	57	0.705	0.942
	S, PDO	57	0.697	0.950
	S, ET_{jun}	57	0.674	1.133
	S, D_{may}, PT_{may}	57	0.651	1.048
	S, ET_{may}, PT_{may}	57	0.642	1.071
	S, ET_{apr}	57	0.616	1.121
	S, D_{apr}, PT_{may}	57	0.589	1.068
	S, PT_{jun}	57	0.571	1.087
	S, PT_{jul}	57	0.569	1.164
	S	57	0.569	1.168
	S, D_{apr}	57	0.500	1.297
	S, ET_{may}	57	0.476	1.358
	S, D_{may}	57	0.459	1.311

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stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
Seymour	S, PT_{jul}	57	0.734	0.065
	S, PT_{jul}, PDO	57	0.695	0.062
	S, PDO	57	0.690	0.063
	S, D_{apr}, PT_{jul}	57	0.671	0.083
	S	57	0.666	0.073
	S, D_{apr}	57	0.647	0.087
	S, ET_{jun}	57	0.627	0.071
	S, ET_{jun}, PT_{jul}	57	0.617	0.073
	S, D_{jun}, PT_{jul}	57	0.601	0.072
	S, D_{jun}	57	0.582	0.076
	S, PT_{jun}, PT_{jul}	57	0.581	0.079
	S, D_{max}, PT_{jul}	57	0.570	0.076
	S, D_{may}, PT_{jul}	57	0.570	0.069
	S, PT_{jun}	57	0.563	0.080
	S, PT_{may}, PT_{jul}	57	0.561	0.083
	S, ET_{may}	57	0.561	0.080
	S, D_{max}	57	0.557	0.075
	S, PT_{may}	57	0.556	0.085
	S, ET_{may}, PT_{jul}	57	0.555	0.081
	S, PT_{apr}, PT_{jul}	57	0.554	0.081
	S, D_{may}	57	0.533	0.074
	S, PT_{apr}	57	0.529	0.083
	S, ET_{apr}, PT_{jul}	57	0.458	0.094
	S, ET_{apr}	57	0.415	0.100

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stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
Stellako	S, PT_{apr}, PDO	57	0.531	0.217
	S, D_{apr}, PDO	57	0.517	0.209
	S, ET_{jun}, PDO	57	0.486	0.218
	S, PDO	57	0.440	0.231
	S, ET_{may}, PDO	57	0.437	0.231
	S, PT_{jul}, PDO	57	0.420	0.236
	S, ET_{may}	57	0.400	0.265
	S, ET_{apr}, PDO	57	0.360	0.209
	S, ET_{jun}	57	0.320	0.263
	S, D_{max}, PDO	57	0.318	0.238
	S, D_{may}, PDO	57	0.315	0.241
	S, D_{max}	57	0.307	0.257
	S, PT_{may}, PDO	57	0.286	0.248
	S, PT_{apr}	57	0.281	0.253
	S, D_{apr}	57	0.280	0.241
	S, PT_{jun}, PDO	57	0.267	0.243
	S	57	0.216	0.297
	S, PT_{may}	57	0.212	0.271
	S, PT_{jul}	57	0.210	0.279
	S, D_{jun}, PDO	57	0.204	0.262
	S, D_{jun}	57	0.186	0.268
	S, PT_{jun}	57	0.152	0.279
	S, D_{may}	57	0.072	0.275
	S, ET_{apr}	57	0.062	0.280

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stock	predictors	# predictions	ρ	MAE
Weaver	$S, D_{\max}, D_{\text{apr}}$	39	0.573	0.176
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, PT_{\text{jul}}$	39	0.569	0.175
	S, D_{apr}	39	0.555	0.180
	S, PT_{may}	39	0.525	0.172
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, D_{\text{jun}}$	39	0.499	0.177
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, PT_{\text{may}}$	39	0.497	0.179
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, ET_{\text{jun}}$	39	0.496	0.184
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, PT_{\text{jun}}$	39	0.470	0.177
	S, D_{\max}	39	0.442	0.201
	S, ET_{jun}	39	0.426	0.208
	S, D_{may}	39	0.398	0.192
	S, D_{jun}	39	0.394	0.194
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, ET_{\text{apr}}$	39	0.380	0.189
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, D_{\text{may}}$	39	0.373	0.187
	S, PDO	39	0.335	0.180
	S, PT_{jul}	39	0.314	0.200
	S, PT_{jun}	39	0.258	0.199
	S, ET_{apr}	39	0.249	0.193
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, PT_{\text{apr}}$	39	0.218	0.206
	$S, D_{\text{apr}}, ET_{\text{may}}$	39	0.216	0.207
	S	39	0.187	0.227
	S, PT_{apr}	39	0.168	0.219
	S, ET_{may}	39	0.159	0.211
	S, D_{apr}, PDO	39	0.099	0.211

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