

Changes in the trans-equatorial distribution of Sherborn's basslet, *Howella sherborni*, and Atlantic pelagic basslet, *Howella atlantica*, and *Bathysphyraenops simplex* in the northern tropical Atlantic

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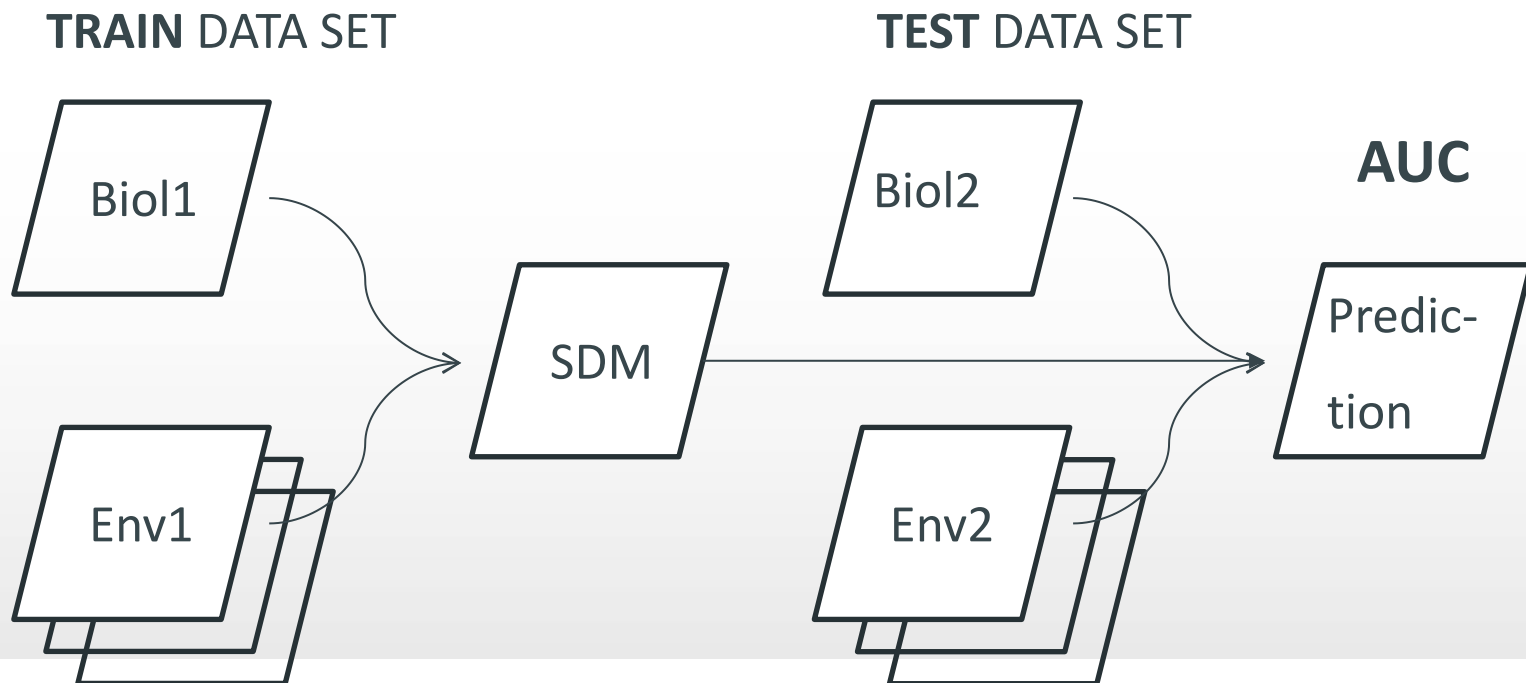
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Fig. 96. *Bathysphyraenops simplex*, HUMZ 211043, 57.7 mm SL.

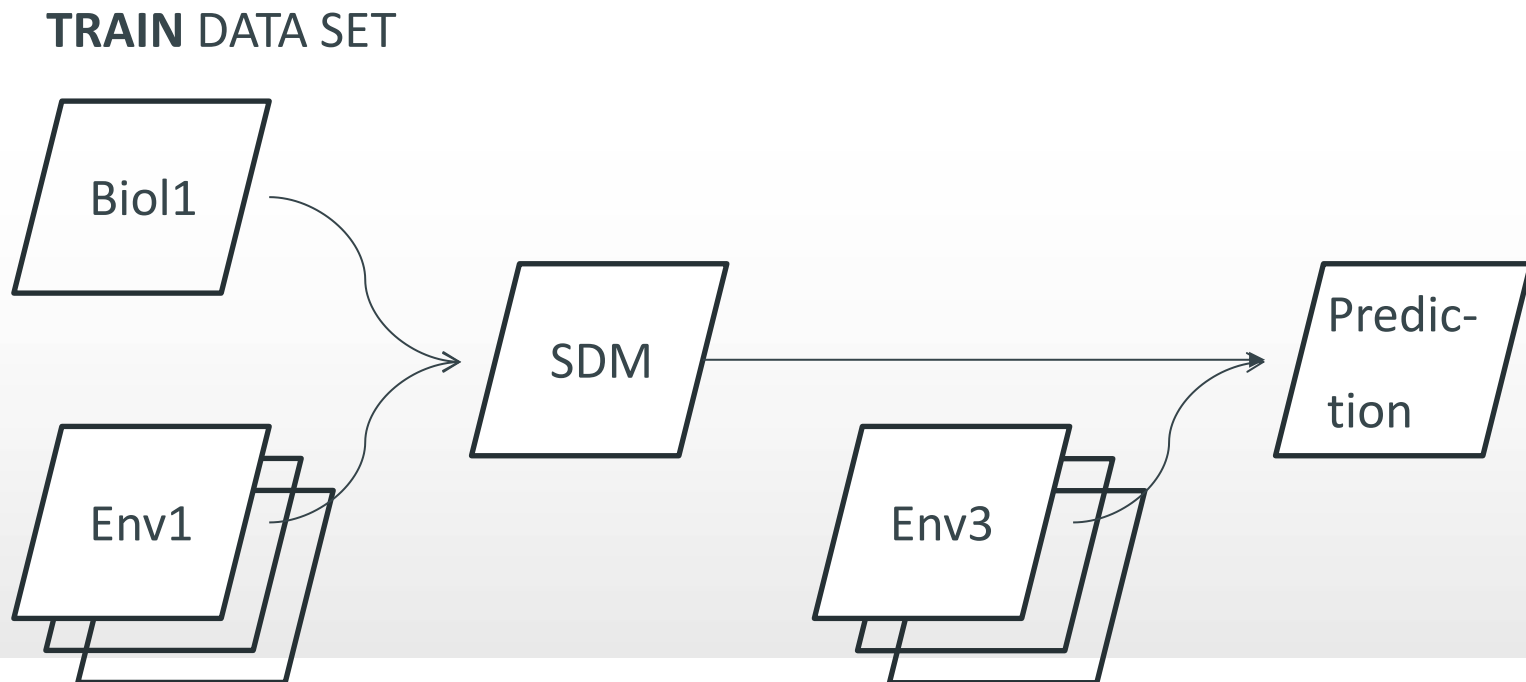
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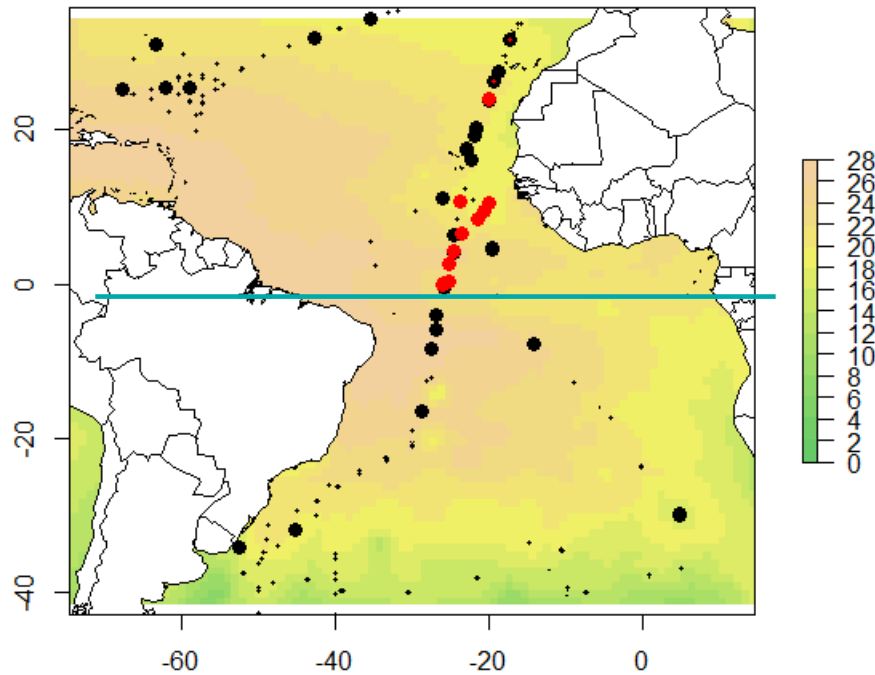
World Ocean Atlas decadal means 1965-75, 2005-12

Salinity	0-100, 100-300, 300-500
Temperature	0-100, 100-300, 300-500
Oxygen	0-100, 100-300, 300-500*

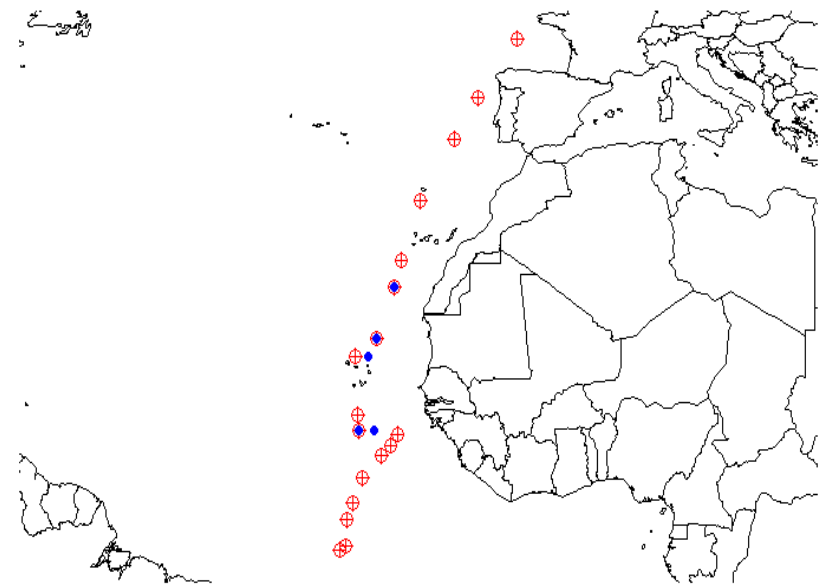
*linear model based on Stramma et al. 2012

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Howella atlantica
red = new occurrences



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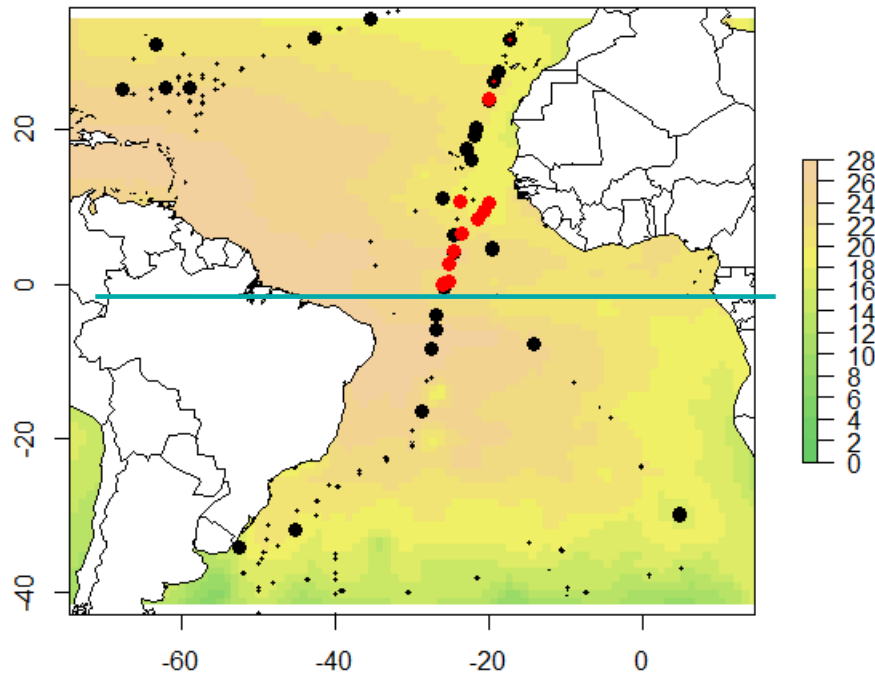


Stations 2014 (blue) and 2015 (red)

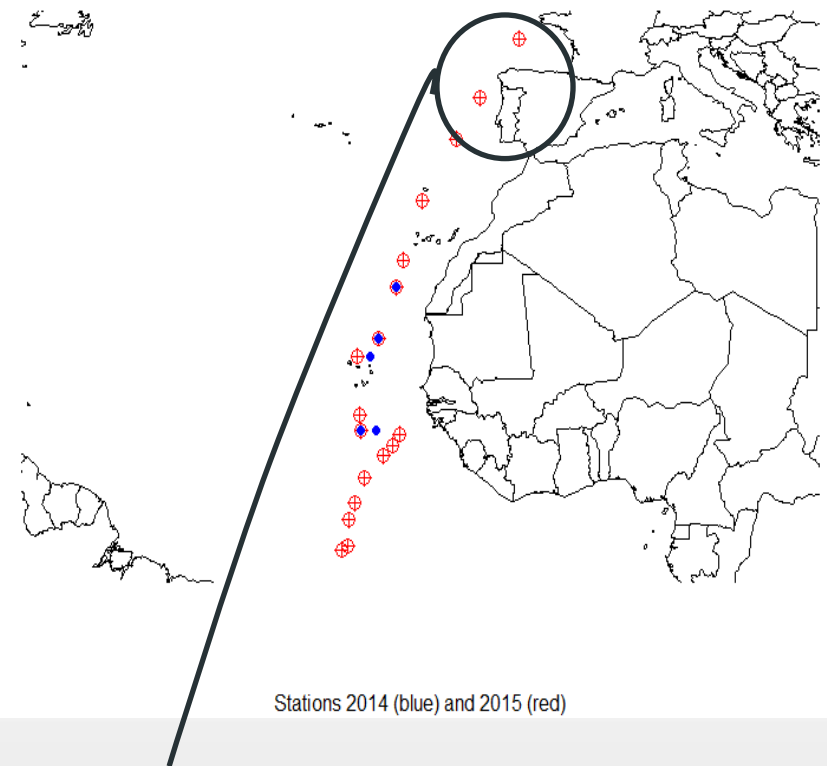
over T0-100 1965-74

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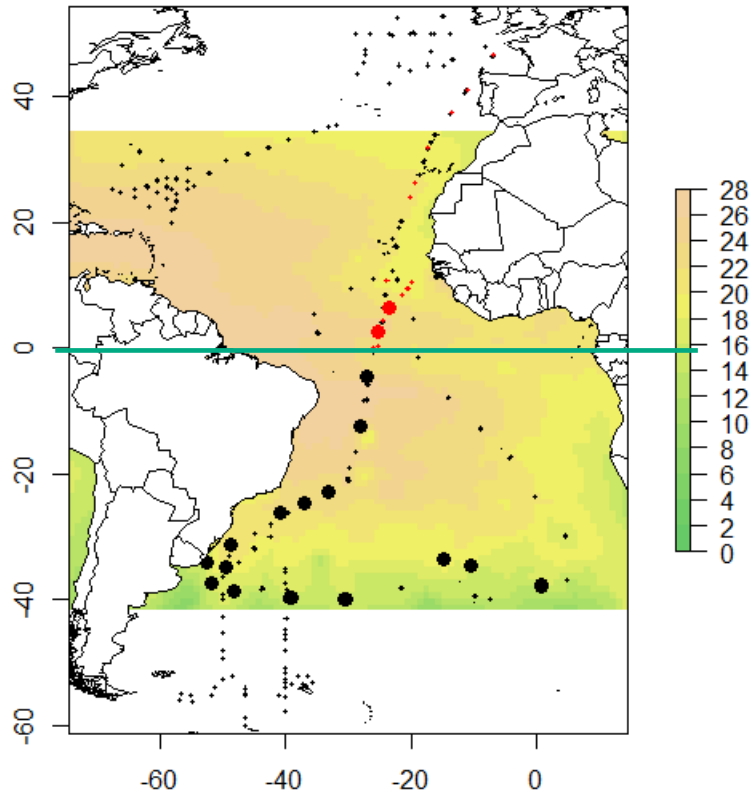
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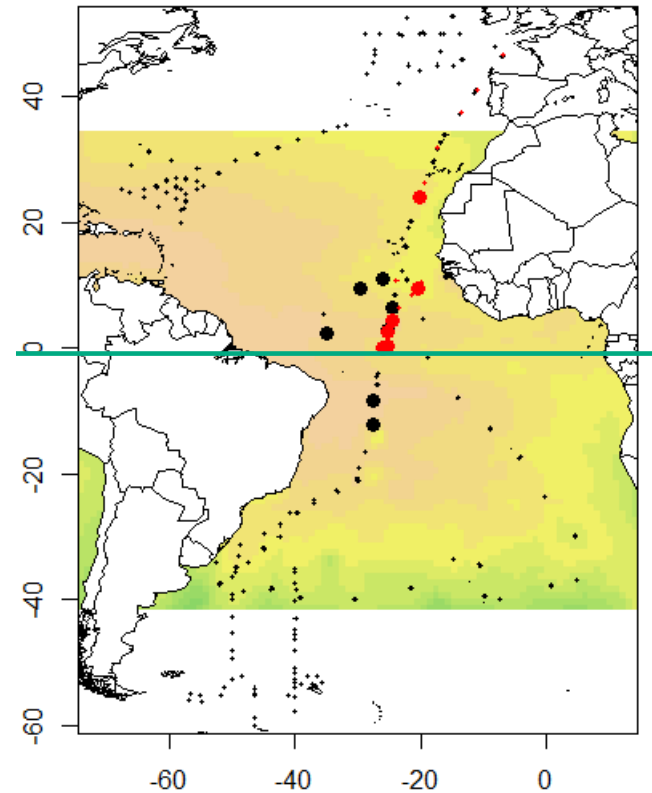
Closing the gap

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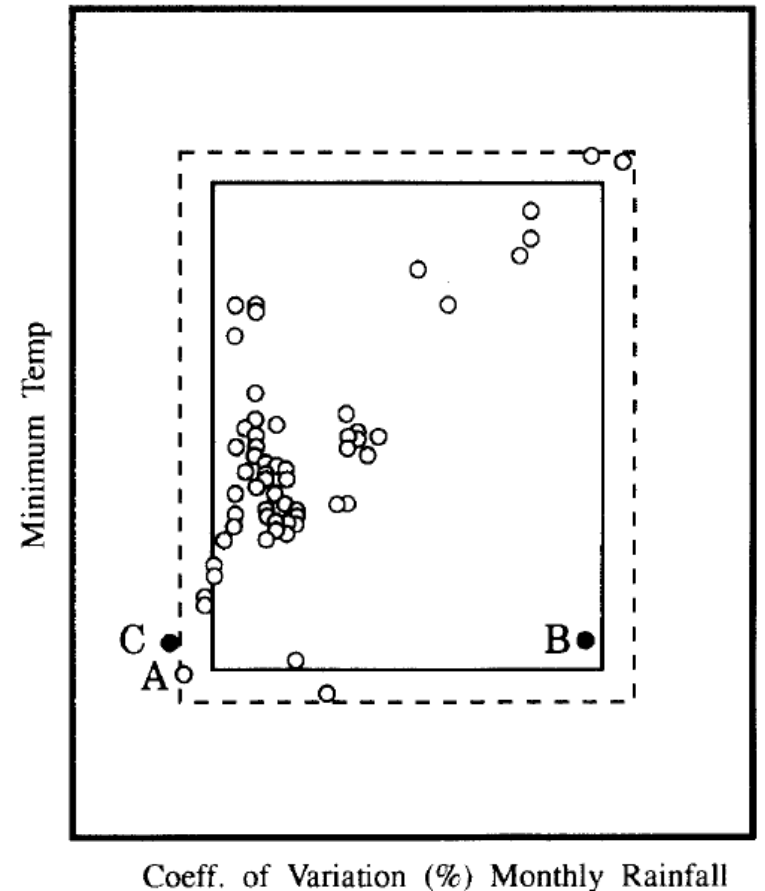
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BIOCLIM – boxcar approach
identifying all environmental values falling
within the extremes of the distributional
range,

the minimum percentile score across all
the environmental variables is computed
(i.e. this is like Liebig's law of the
minimum)



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DOMAIN – computes the Gower distance between environmental variables at any location and those at any of the known locations of occurrence ('training sites').

Integration is carried out

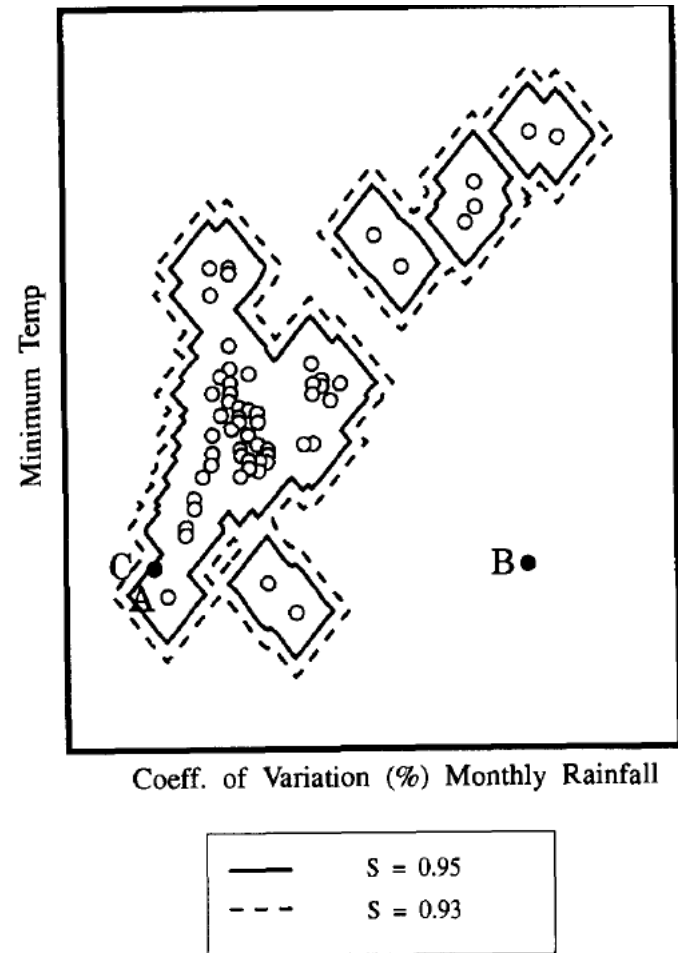
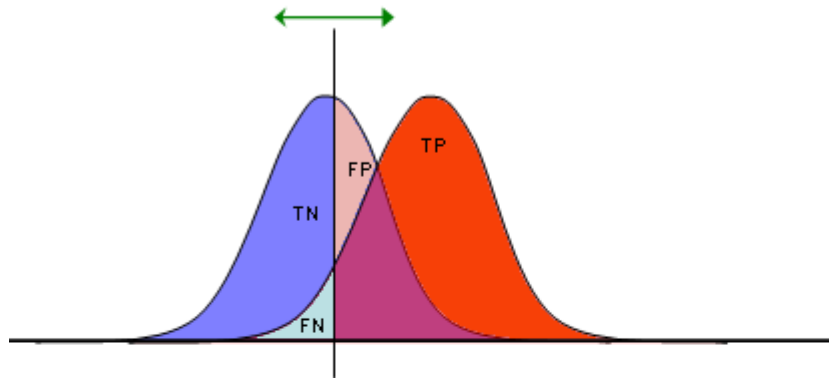


Figure 3. DOMAIN environmental envelope.

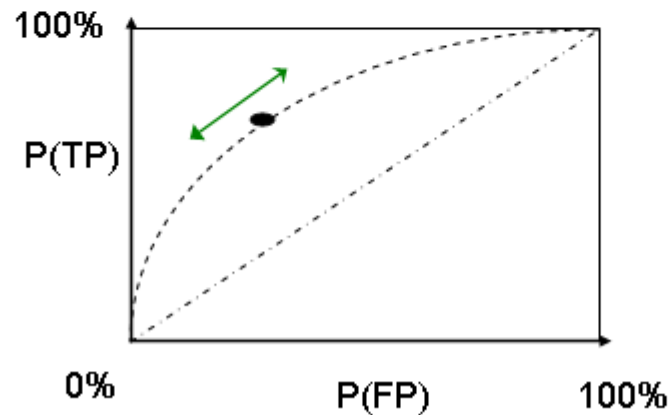
MAXENT - Based on the conditional density of the covariates at the presence sites, $f_1(z)$, the marginal (i.e., unconditional) and density of covariates across the study area $f(z)$, and the knowledge of the prevalence $\Pr(y = 1)$, the probability of occurrence in environmental space z is calculated:

$$\Pr(y = 1 | \mathbf{z}) = f_1(\mathbf{z})\Pr(y = 1)/f(\mathbf{z})$$

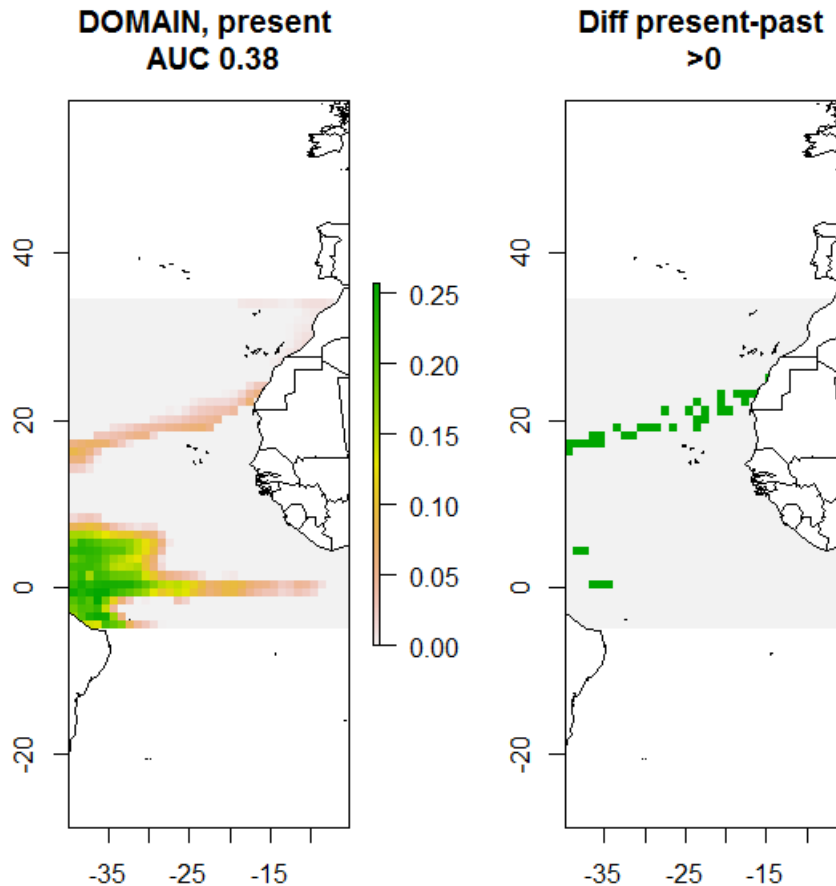
Area-under-curve (AUC): Counting the right ones



TP	FP
FN	TN
1	1

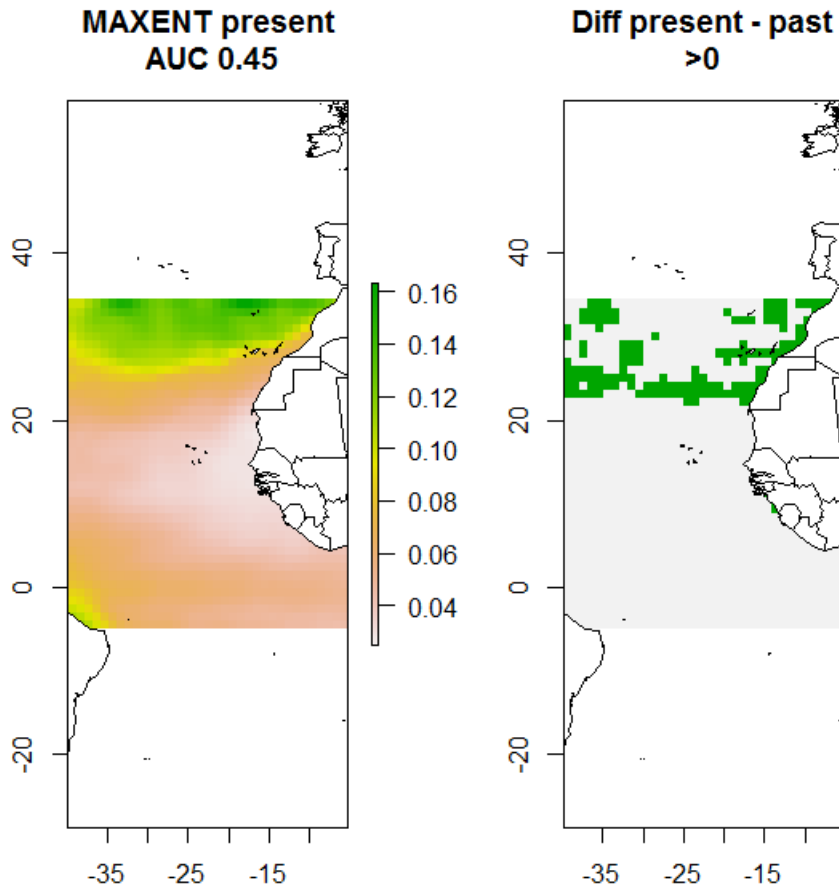


Howella sherborni : 2 points are not enough



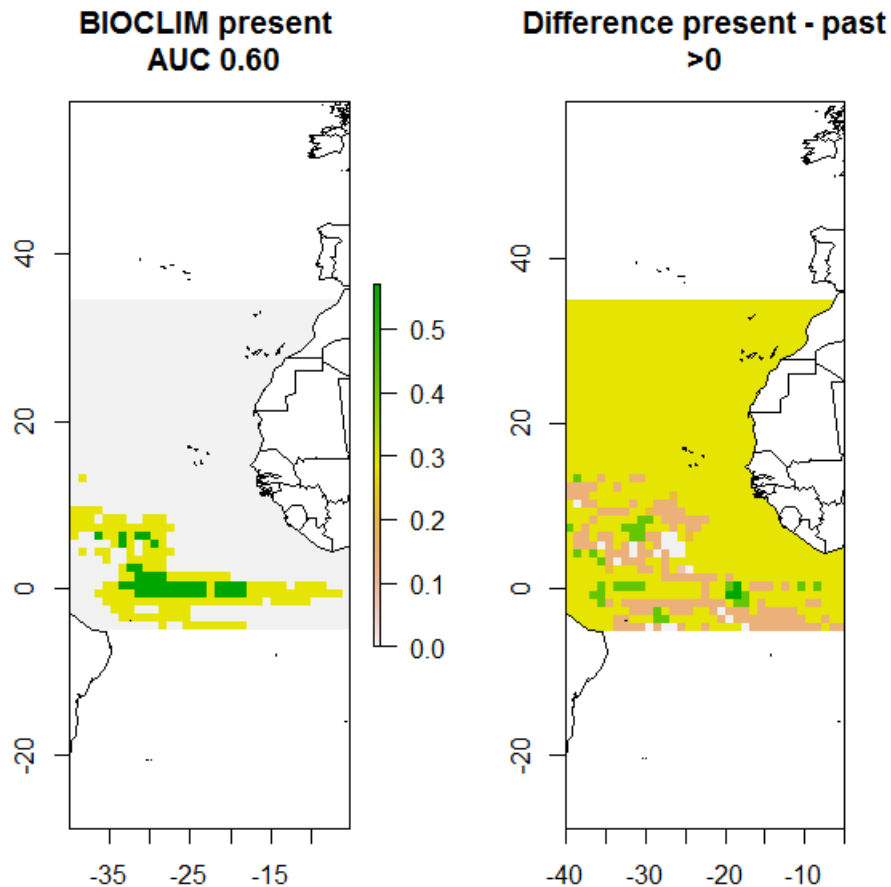
BIOCLIM failed
DOMAIN realistic
representation of
habitat, but no
indication of northward
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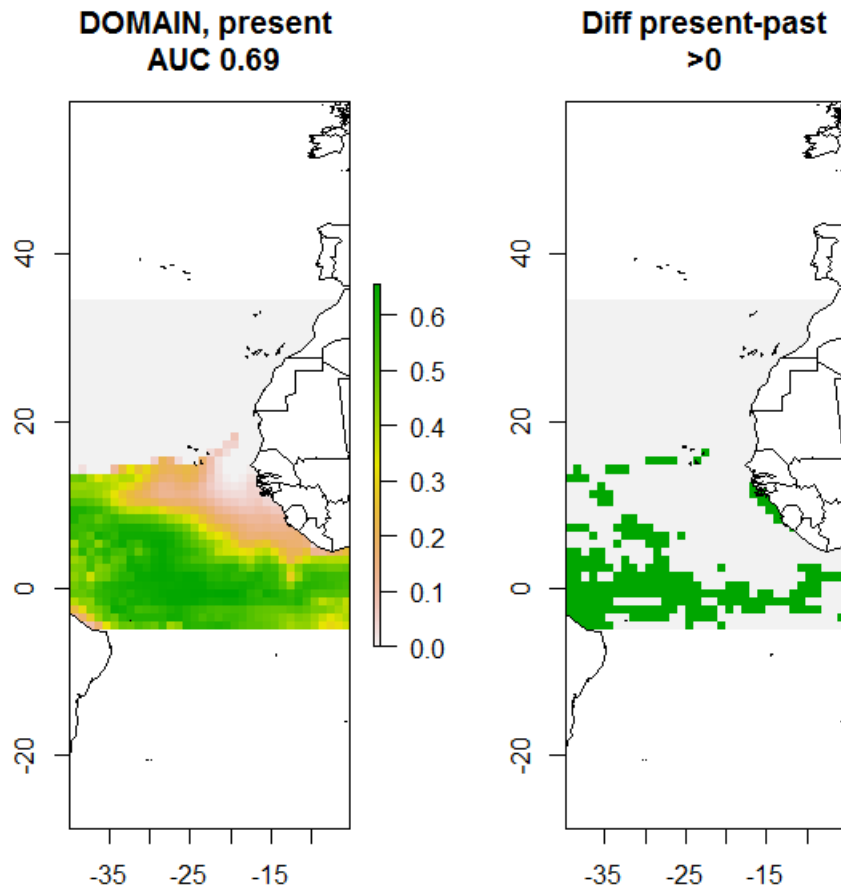
MAXENT – poor representation of habitat and, unlikely northerly expansion indicated, poor AUC

B. simplex



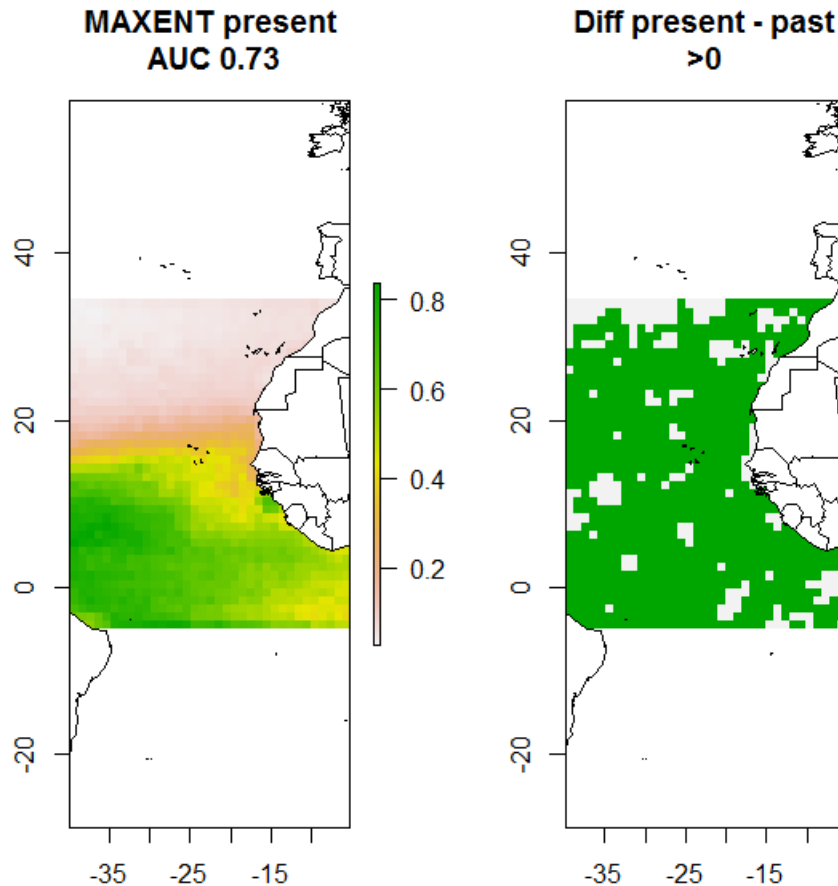
**Constrained
representation of habitat,
unspecific description of
northerly expansion**

B. simplex



**Less constrained
representation of habitat,
no indication of northerly
expansion**

B. simplex: Ranking models

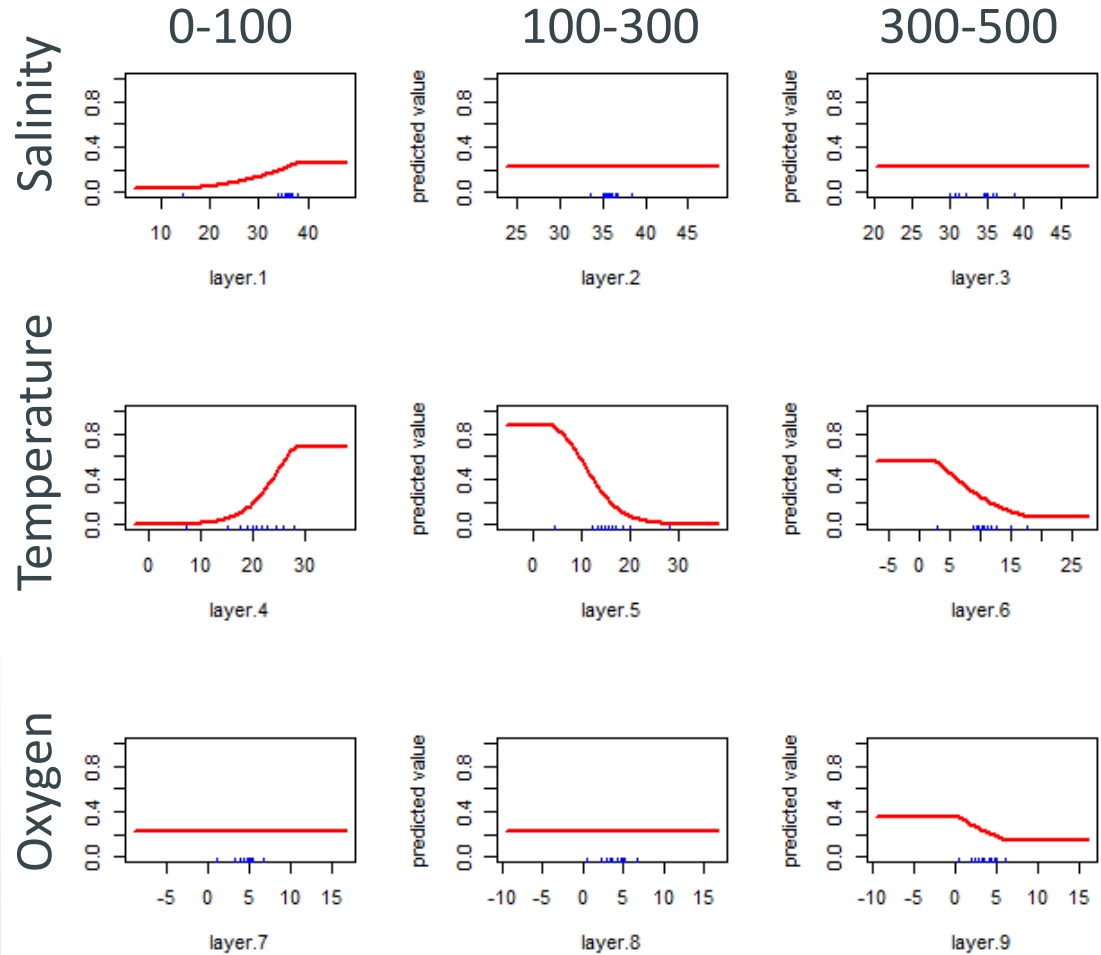
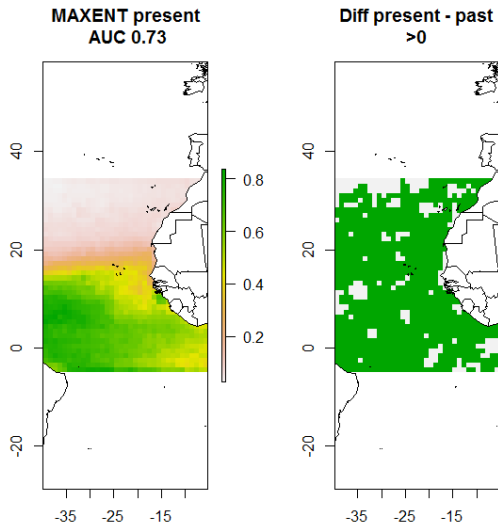


Sufficient representation of habitat, indication of northerly expansion beyond core habitat

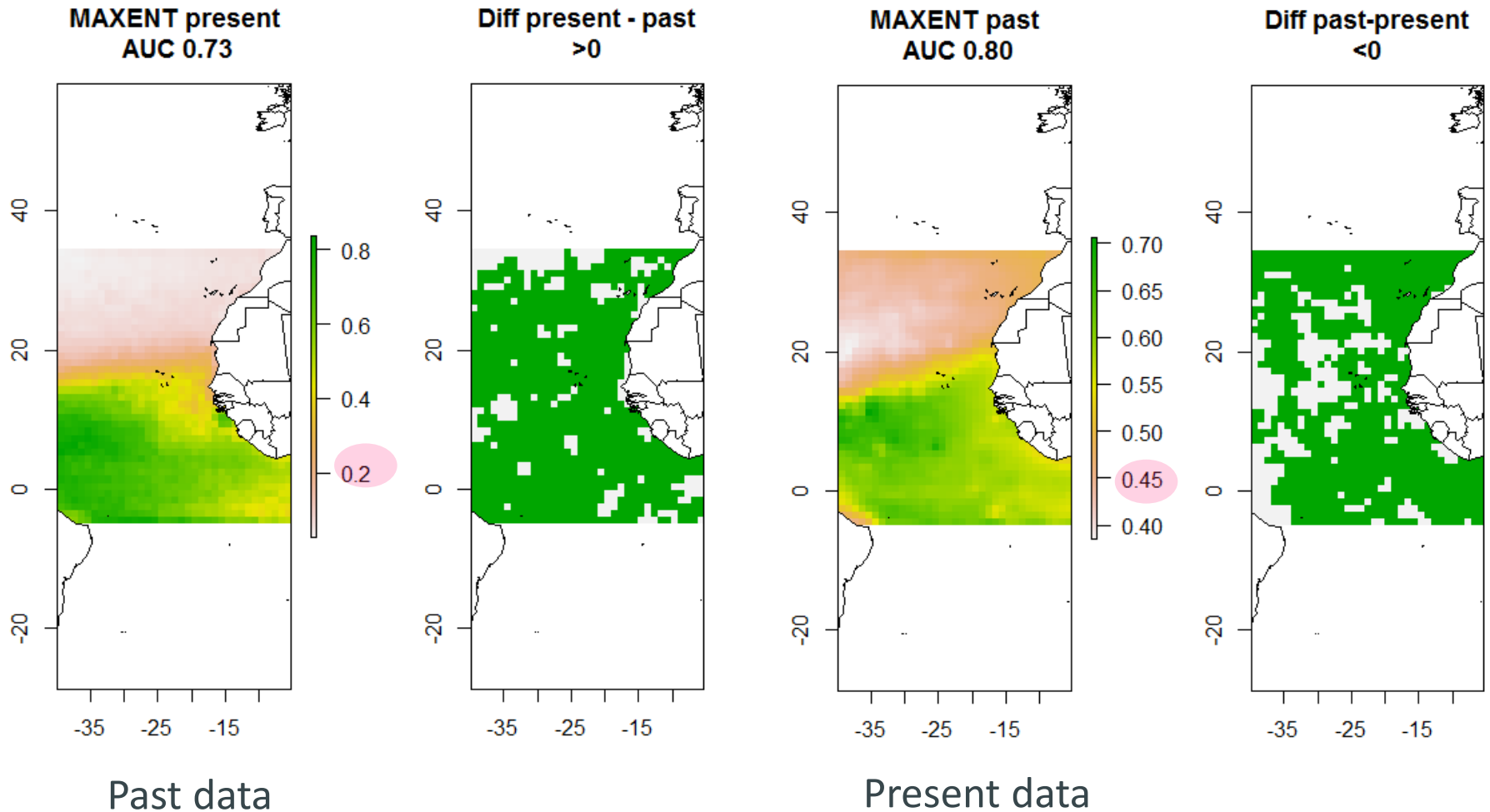
AUC

BIOCLIM	DOMAIN	MAXENT
0.60	0.69	0.73

B. simplex: Some environmental layers non-informative



B. simplex: Whos's the better trainer ?



Facing MS41

- **Closing the sample gap in 2016**
- **Expanding BEM to common species, incl model class GLM/GAM (no problems with detectability)**
- **As shown for redundancy analysis, biological data can be used to test environmental data ensembles.**

Thank you!

Sensitivity of BEM : predictor layers

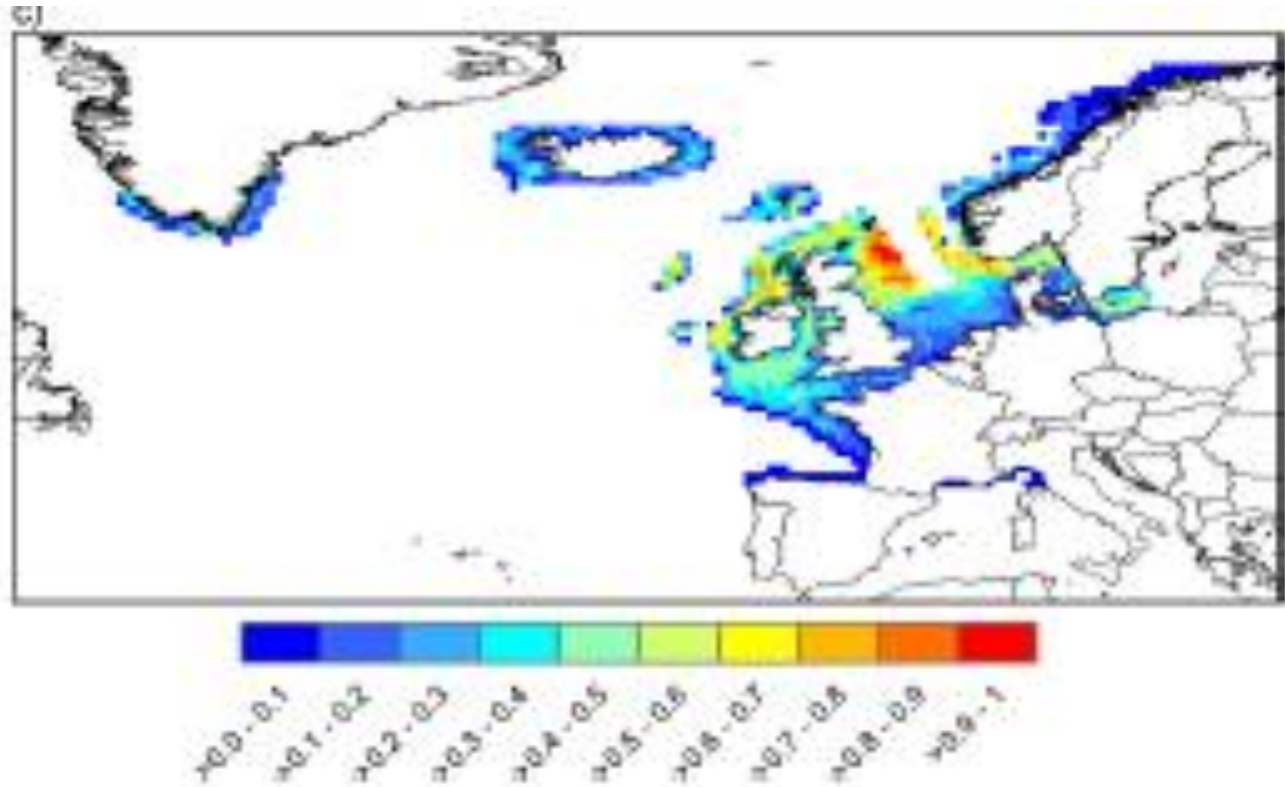


Fig. 4. Predicted distributions of relative habitat suitability (> 1) for riverine macrophytes using the Aquatic Ecosystem Model (AEM) around the project area.