Fish bioenergetics, introduction

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What is bioenergetics?

The study of the processing of energy by living systems, *at any level of biological organization*.

In fisheries science, we typically

- consider the bioenergetics of individuals
- use this to develop budgets for populations

 make projections about fish production in particular areas (e.g., Lake Ontario salmon production)

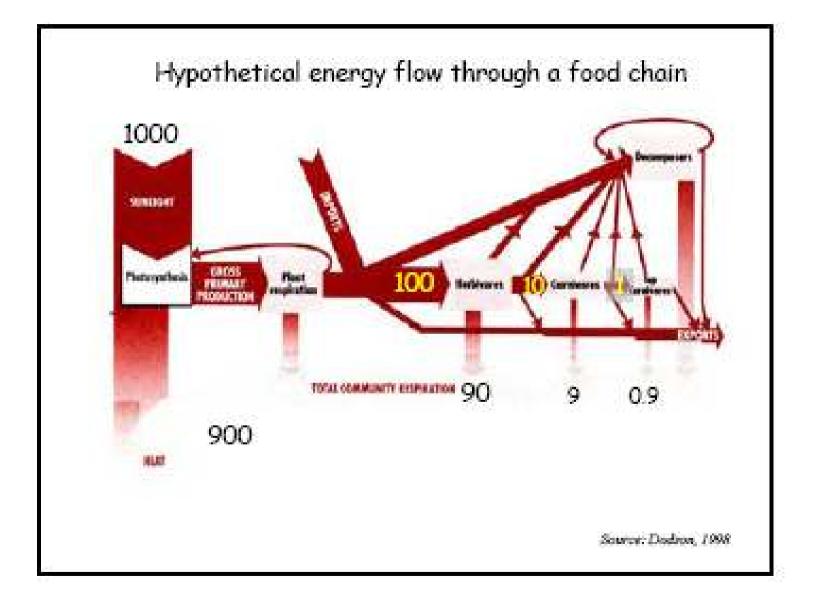
Fish bioenergetics is a subset of a much broader field called **cological energetics**

What is Bioenergetics?

".....the study of the flow and transformation of energy in and between living organisms and between living organisms and their environment" Review: the first two Laws of Thermodynamics

- Energy and matter cannot be created or destroyed, but they can be changed from one form to the other
- Any transformation of energy or matter results in some loss of "useful" energy – in other words, no energetic process is 100% efficient

(entropy, the tendency toward disorder, is like an 'energy tax')



Energy budgets:

 are like bank accounts: inputs (like deposits), outputs (like withdrawals), storage (like your bank balance), and growth (like interest)

- has to balance!

Inputs = Outputs + Growth

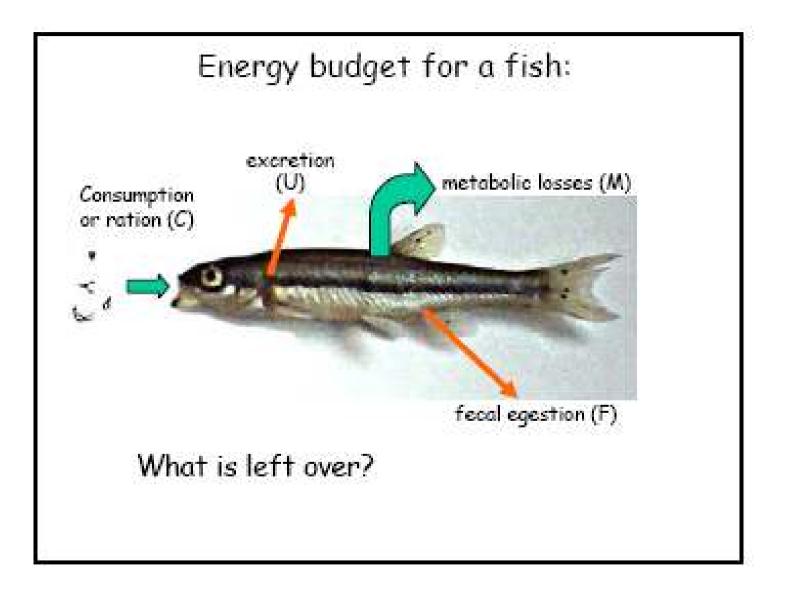
should always use the same units (like currency)

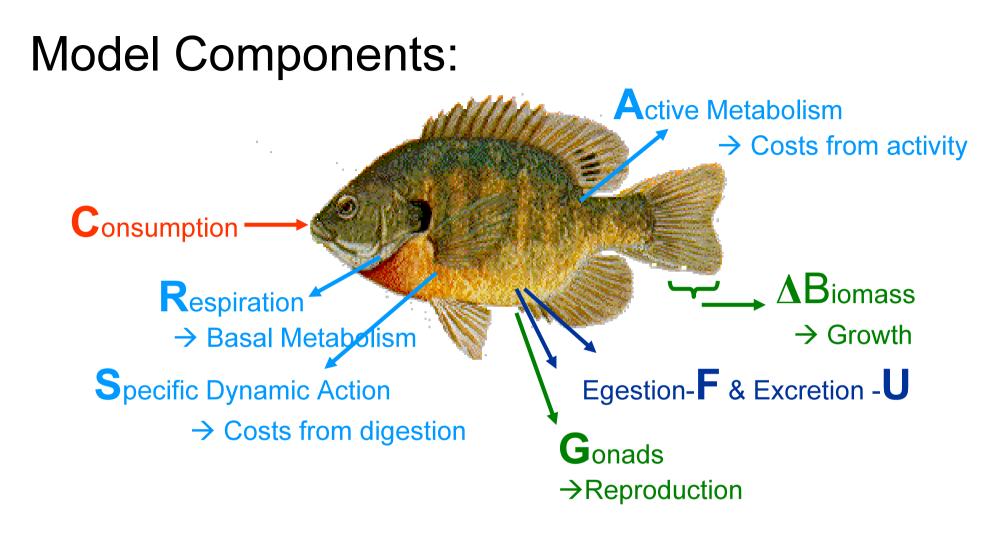
 examples of typical units: calories or joules [energy], carbon, or even biomass (grams) **Bioenergetics** ~ Economics

<u>Consumption = Metabolism + Waste + Growth</u>

Consumption = Income Metabolism = Rent Wastes & Losses = Taxes Growth = Savings and

Growth = Savings and Investments

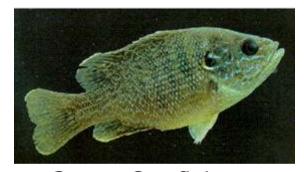




$C = (R + A + S) + (F + U) (\Delta B + G)$

Typical Energy Budgets Differ for Carnivores & Herbivores:

Normalized Percentages	Consumption	Respiration	Waste	Growth
Carnivore	100 =	44 +	27 +	29
Herbivores	100 =	37 +	43 +	20



Green Sunfish



Muskellunge



Largescale Stoneroller

Bioenegetics Model

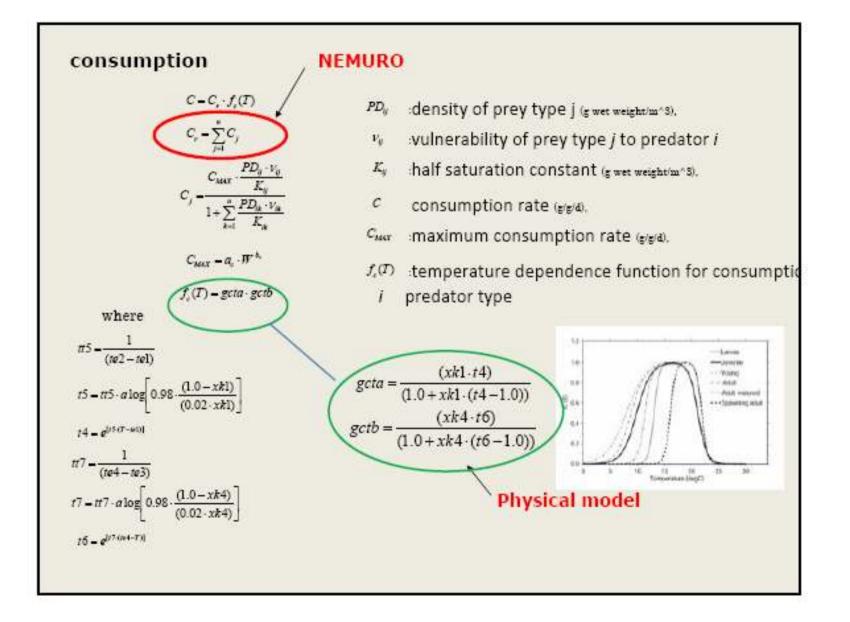
$$\frac{dW}{W \cdot dt} = [C - (R + SDA + F + E + P)]$$

W:wet weight(g), t:time(day),
C:consumption (gprey/gfish/day),
R:respiration or losses through metabolism (gprey/gfish/day),
SDA: specific dynamic action or losses due to energy costs of digesting food (gprey/gfish/day),
F:egestion or losses due to feces (gprey/gfish/dday),
E:excretion or losses of nitrogenous excretory wastes (gprey/gfish/dday),
P:egg production or losses due to reproduction (gprey/gfish/d)

 \star Foods of saury are Z S, Z L, Z P with selective function

(VENFISH, 2002 PICES MODEL/REX TASK TEAM, 伊藤ら2002)

$$(2.1.1) \frac{dW}{dt} = \left[C - (R + S + F + E)\right] \cdot \frac{CAL_x}{CAL_f} \cdot W$$



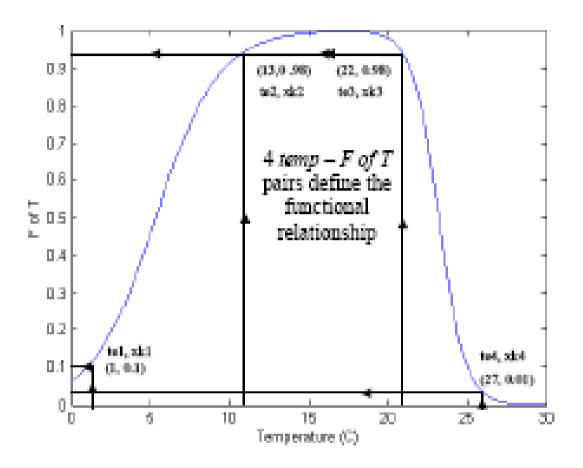
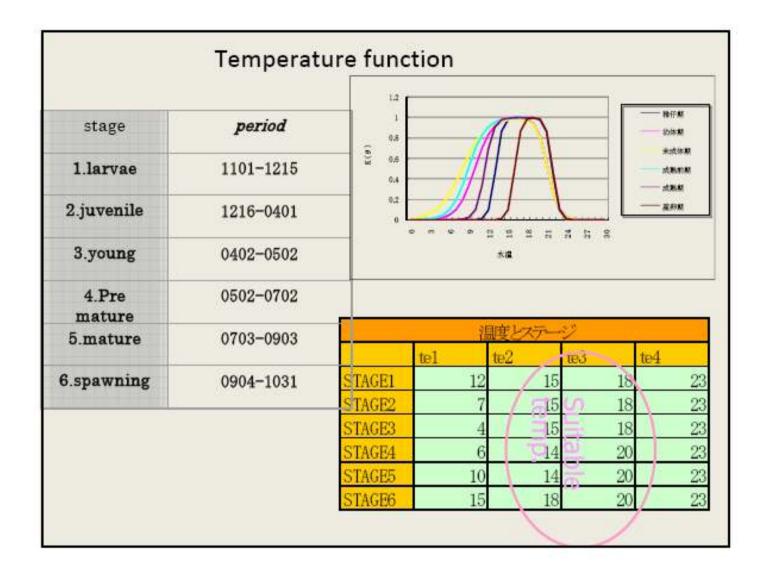


Fig. 2.1.2 Example of the Thornton and Lessem (1978) temperature adjustment curve for a theoretical set of parameters.



$$f(T) = V^X \cdot e^{[X \cdot (1-V)]},$$

where

V = (CTM - T)/(CTM - CTO); $X = \{Z^2 \cdot [1 + (1 + 40/Y)^{0.5}]^2\}/400,$ $Z = \log_e(CQ) \cdot (CTM - CTO), \text{ and}$ $Y = \log_e(CQ) \cdot (CTM - CTO + 2).$ The temperature dependence function for respiration is a simple exponential relationship given by

(2.1.8)
$$f_R(T) = e^{(c_R T)}$$

where c_R approximates the Q_{10} (the rate at which the function increases over relatively low water temperatures).

Activity is a power function of body weight conditioned on water temperature and is given by

(2.1.9)
$$activity = e^{(d_k \cdot U)}$$

where U is swimming speed in cm-s⁻¹ and d_R is a coefficient relating swimming speed to metabolism. Swimming speed is calculated as a function of body weight and temperature using

$$(2.1.10) U = a_A \cdot W^{b_A} \cdot e^{(c_A \cdot T)}$$

where $a_{A=} 3.9$, $b_{A} = 0.13$ and $c_{A}=0.149$ if T <9.0 °C and $a_{A=} 15.0$, $b_{A} = 0.13$ and $c_{A}=0.0$. if T \geq 9.0 °C

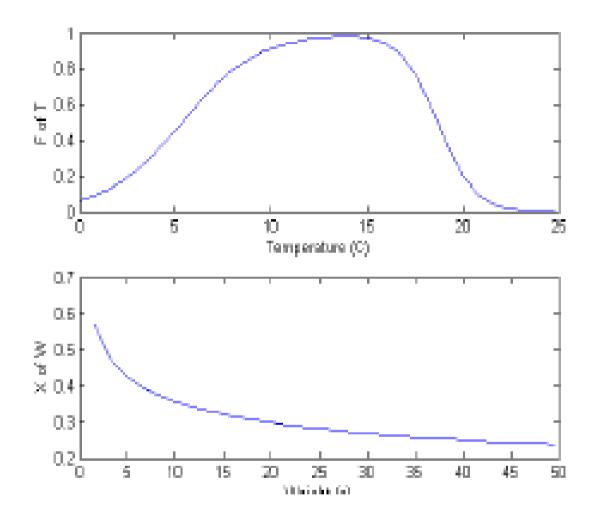
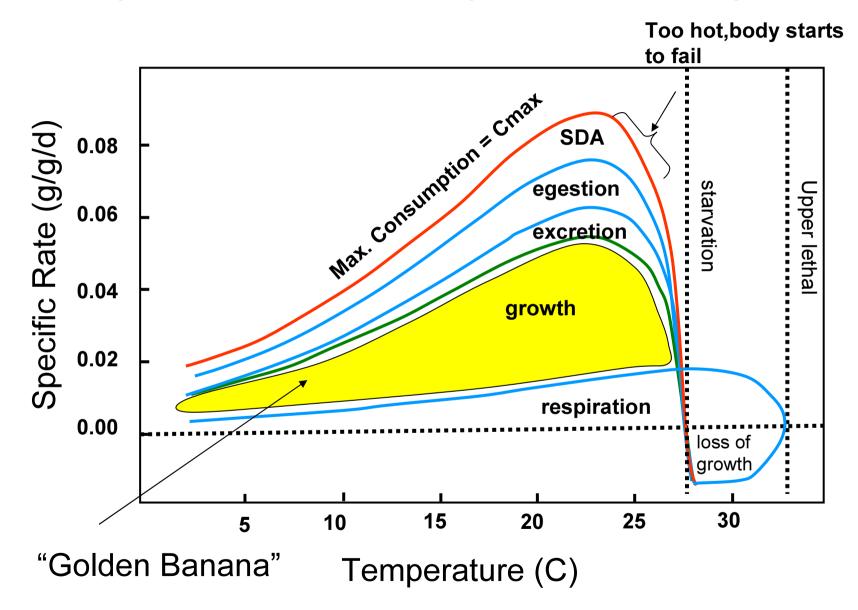


Fig. 2.1.1 Relationship between consumption and temperature from equation 2.1.4 (upper panel) and consumption and weight from equation 2.1.3 (lower panel).

All processes are temp. and size dependent



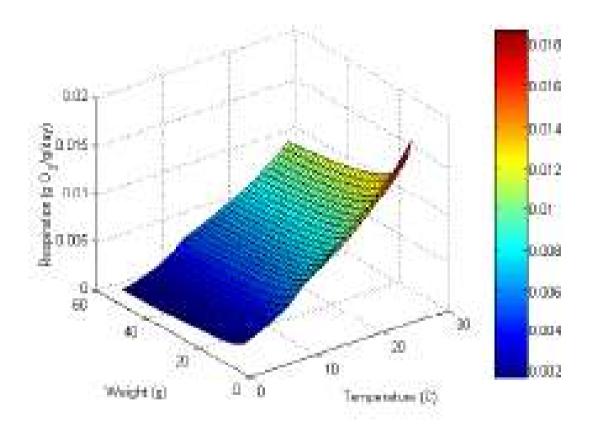


Fig. 2.1.5 Relationship between standard respiration, weight and temperature from equation 2.1.5.

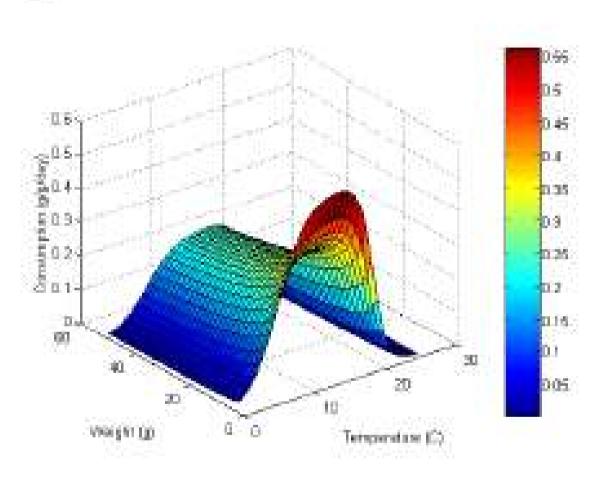


Fig. 2.1.4 Plot of the consumption, temperature and weight relationships from equation 2.1.2.

What else do we need to run the model?

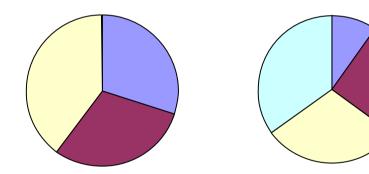
Temperatures where fish live...

- alewife 20° C
- bluegill 29° C
- coho salmon 15° C
- largemouth bass 27.5° C
- muskellunge 26° C
- northern pike 24° C
- rainbow smelt 13° C

- rainbow trout 20° C
- striped bass 21.6° C
- walleye 22° C
- yellow perch 26° C
- smallmouth bass 29 $^\circ$ C
- sea lamprey 18° C
- chinook salmon 15° C

What do we need to run the model?

What a fish eats ...





What do we need to run the model?

Prey and Predator Energy Densities ...



Zooplankton – 2513 j/g wet mass





Yellow Perch – 5000 j/g dry mass



Snails – 18000 j/g dry mass



Crayfish – 3766 j/g wet mass



Alewife – 7225 j/g wet mass

Leech – 24000 j/g dry mass

What do we need to run the model?

Basic physiological parameters...

- Egestion (size/temp dependent) \rightarrow F
- Excretion (size/temp dependent) \rightarrow U
- Specific Dynamic Action \rightarrow SDA
- Basal Metabolism \rightarrow R
- Active Metabolism \rightarrow A

Where do we get all these....?

- We do painstakingly difficult lab experiments (imagine having to measure fish excrement or...)

- We steal them, I mean "borrow" them!
- Species borrowing is common, it can cause problems
- Should evaluate and test if borrowing is appropriate