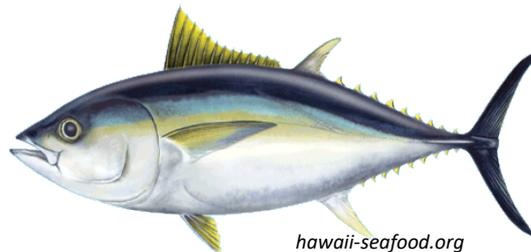


Transition Matrices from AOTTP Bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*)

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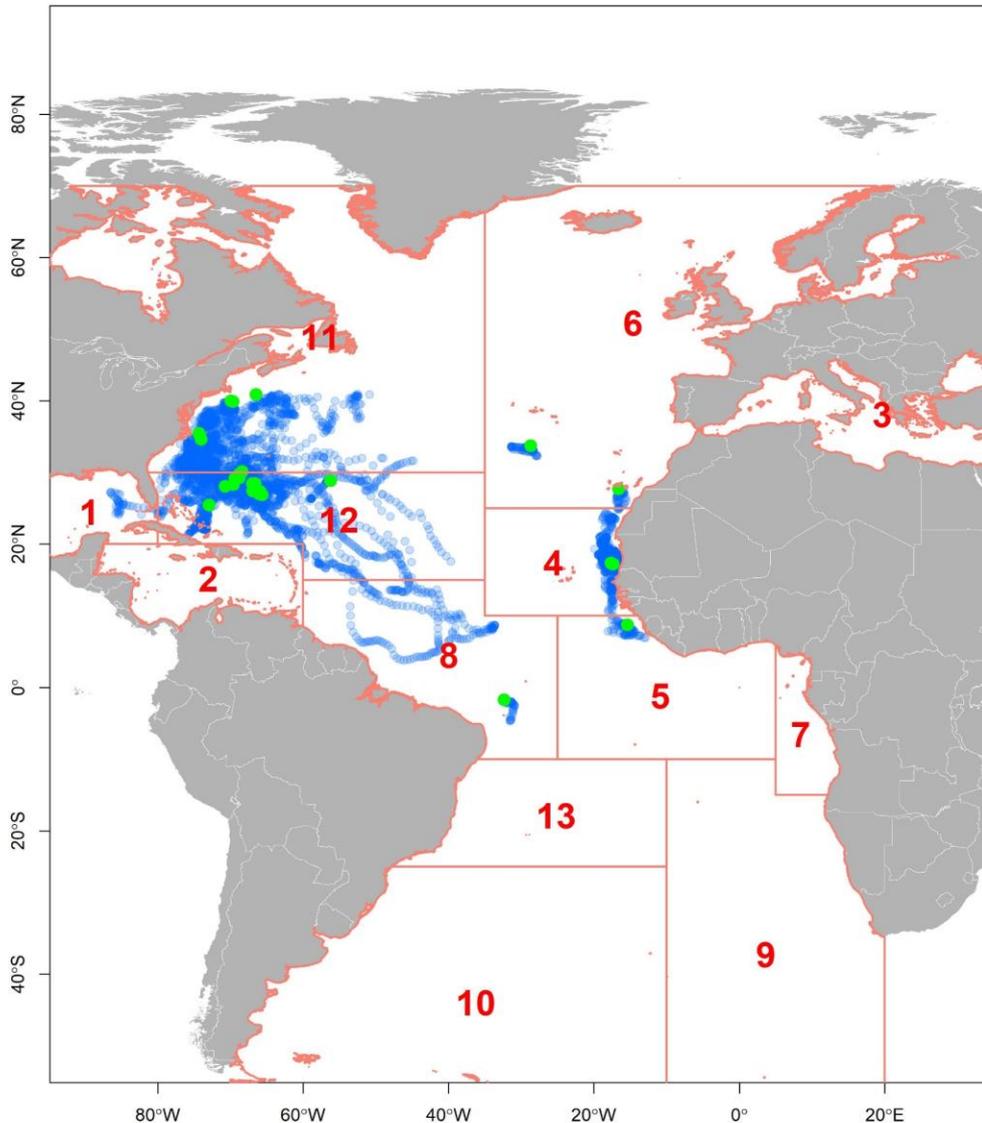
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AOTTP Bigeye Electronic Tag data



33 tags (WC, MTI , Lotek archival)

2017-2020

W. Africa, Caribbean, Brazil, U.S., Azores

Days at liberty

Mean: 135

Max: 367 (3 MTI X-tags)

Total length:

Range: 98-168 cm

Mean: 141 cm



SatTagSim

- **R package** (<https://github.com/galuardi/SatTagSim/>)
- **Movement matrix derivation from electronic tags**
- **Alleviate movement estimation issues in spatially explicit models (operational, assessment etc.)**
 - Kerr et al. 2016 (CJFAS), 2017 (ICCAT), Morse et al. 2020 (IJMS)
- **Filling spatiotemporal data gaps using movement models that are informed by the available data**

$$\alpha_i = \alpha_{i-1} + c_i + \eta_i; i = 1, \dots, t_k$$

$$c_i = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\eta_i = N \sim (0, Q_i)$$

$$Q_i = \begin{pmatrix} 2D_t & 0 \\ 0 & 2D_t \end{pmatrix}$$



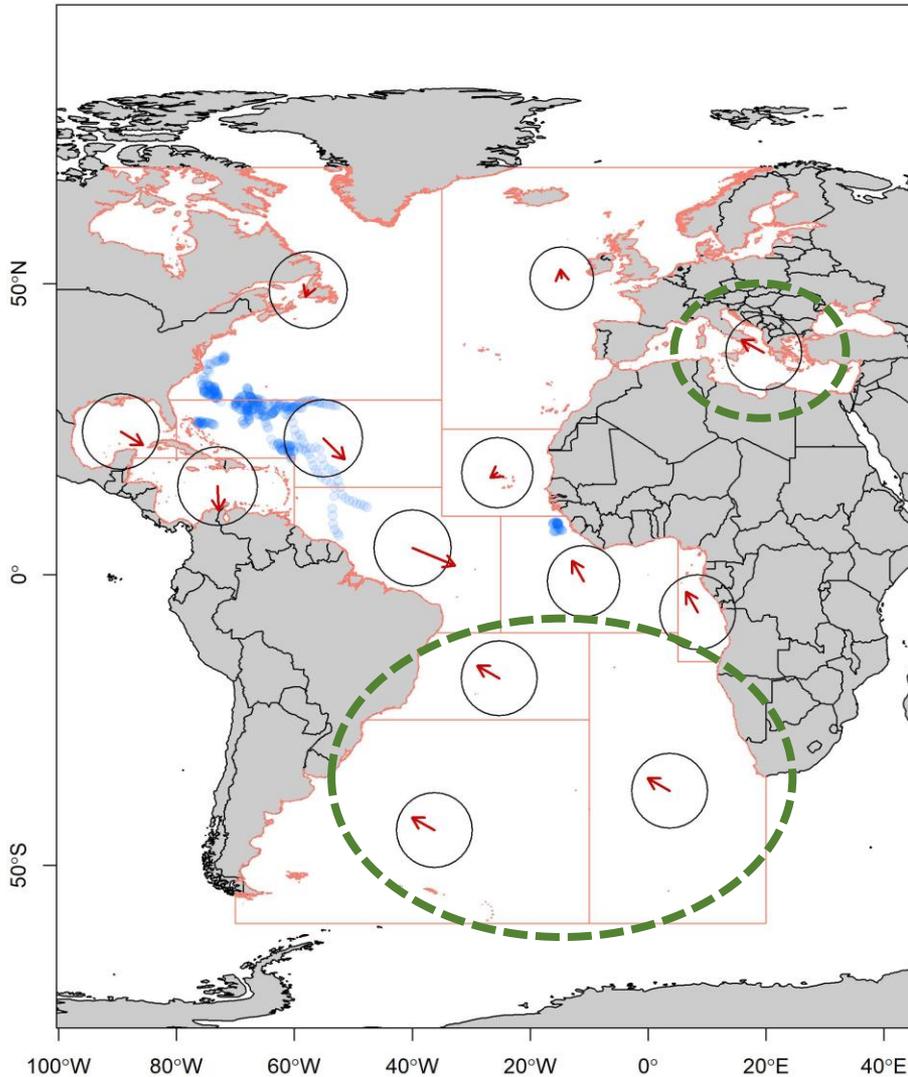
Simulation scheme

- Temporally explicit: Monthly advection/diffusion parameters (u , v , D) derived from electronic tags (Galuardi et al. 2014, 2018)
- Spatially explicit: 13 box ICCAT BET reporting areas
- 6,000 simulated tracks
 - 500 fish/month
 - 4 sim points/month
 - 4 year long tracks
- Distributions and transfer matrices
 - Seasonal
 - Yearly



ADR parameters

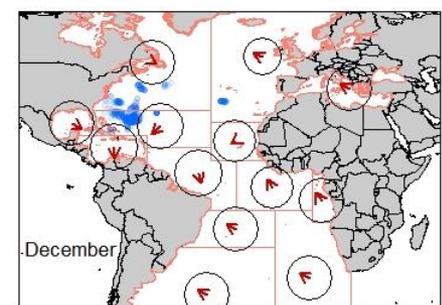
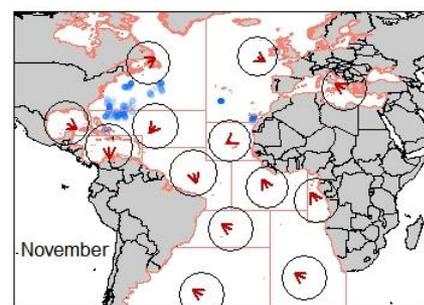
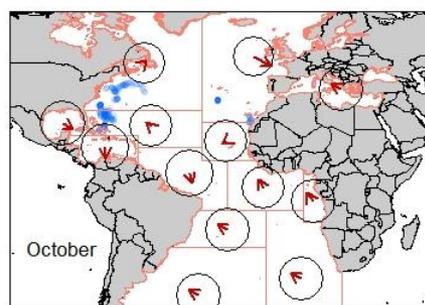
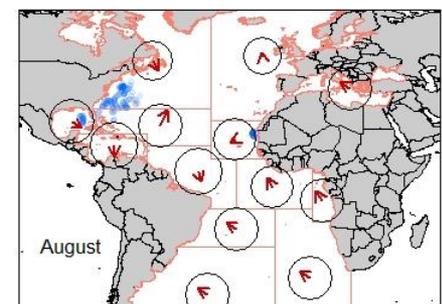
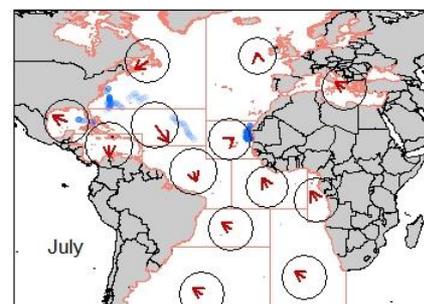
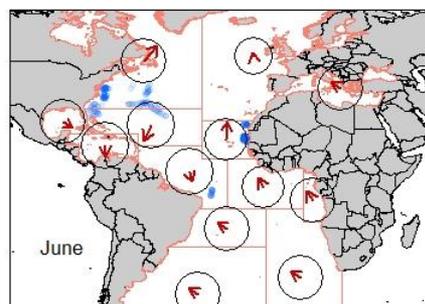
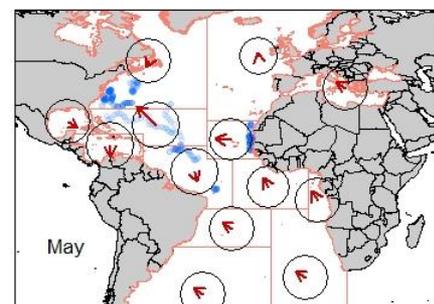
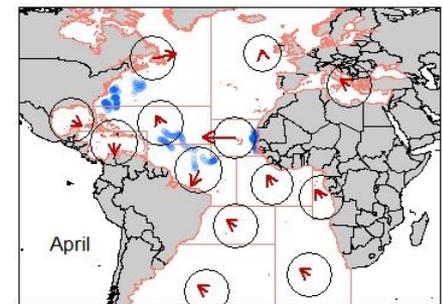
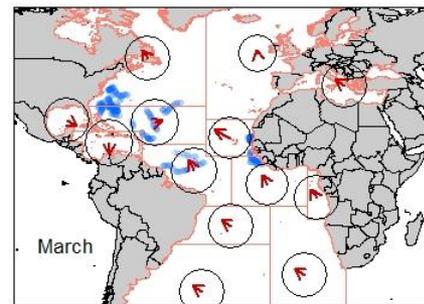
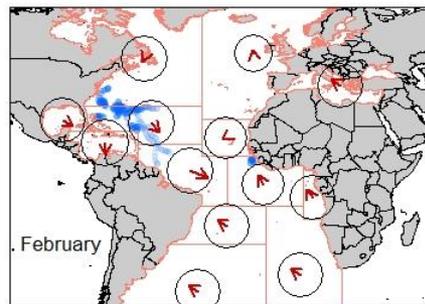
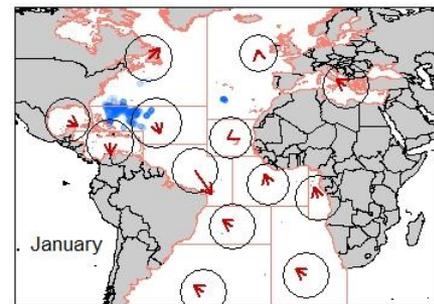
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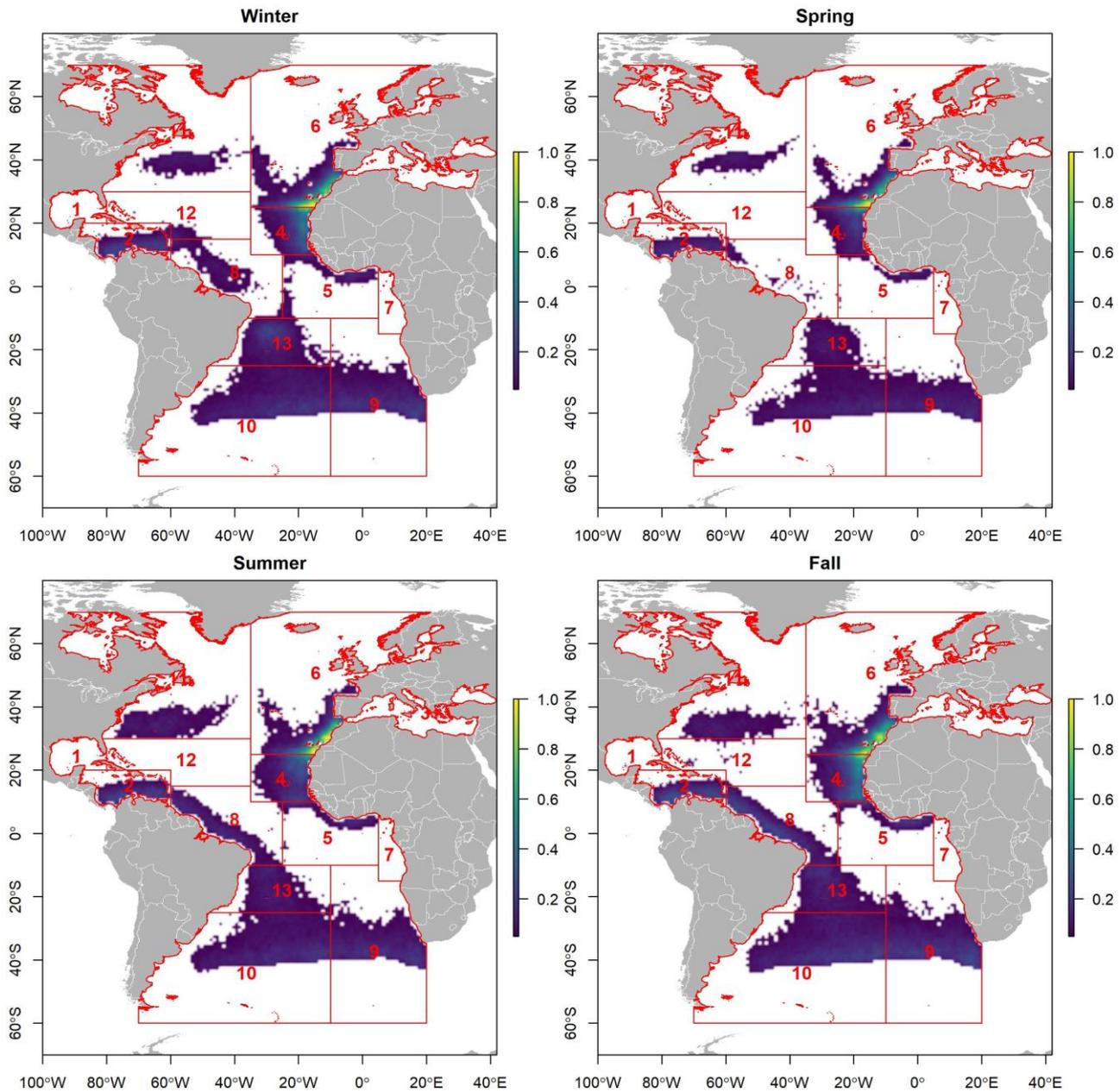
Months/areas without observations use global mean parameters



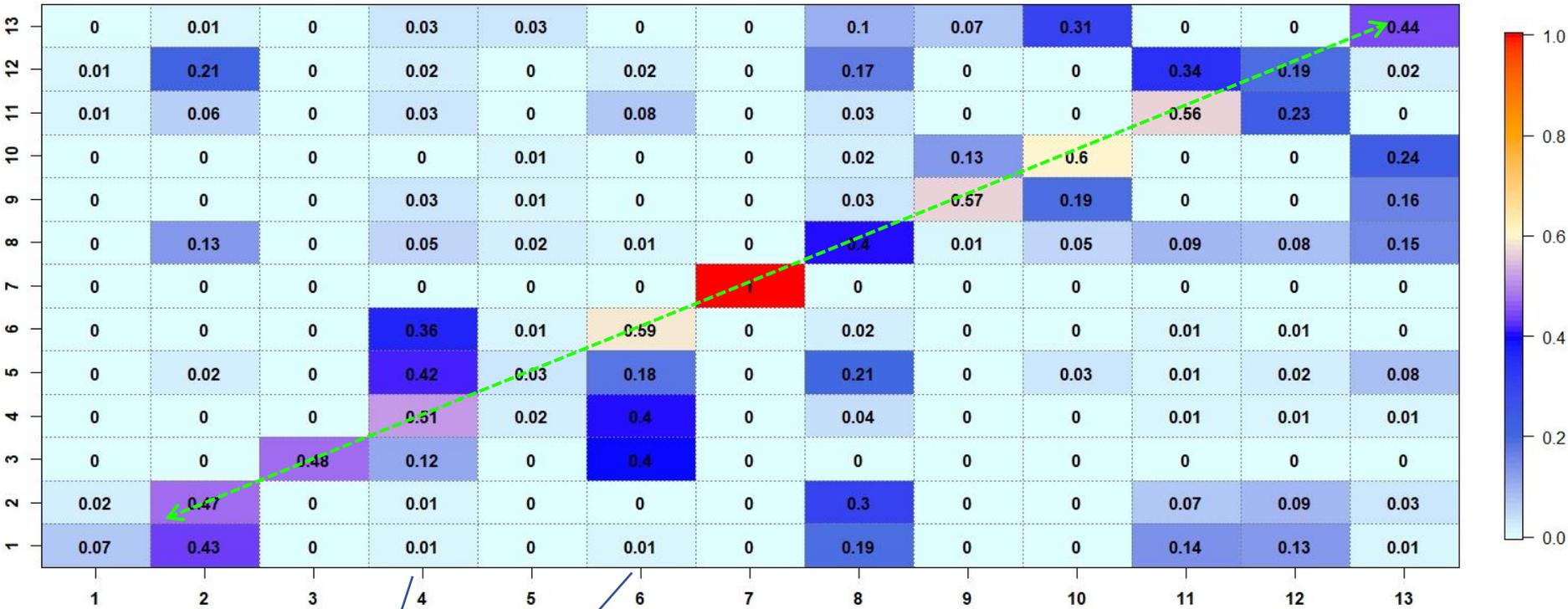
ADR parameters



Sim Results: Seasonal



Movement matrix results: Annual



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W. Africa

NE
Atlantic

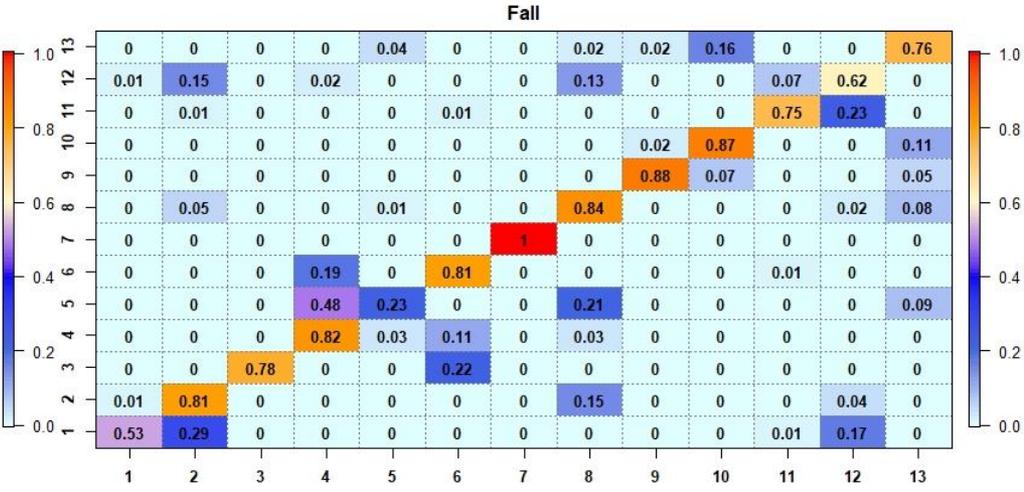
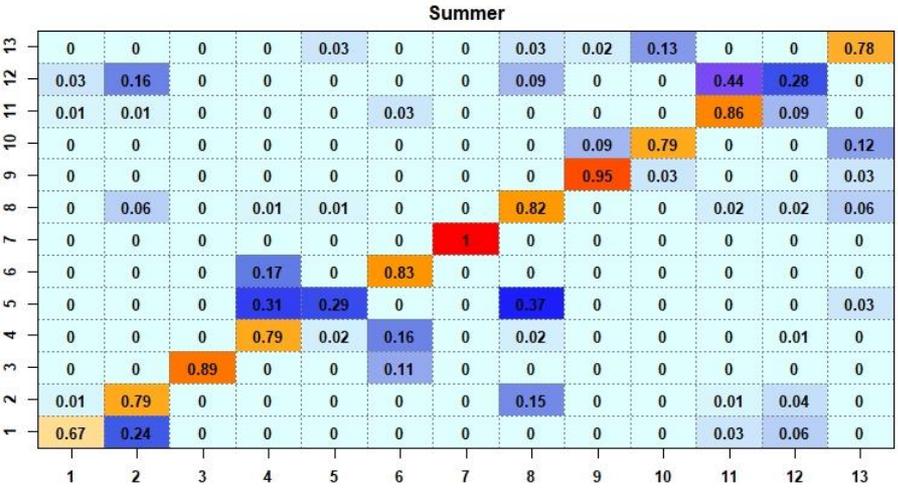
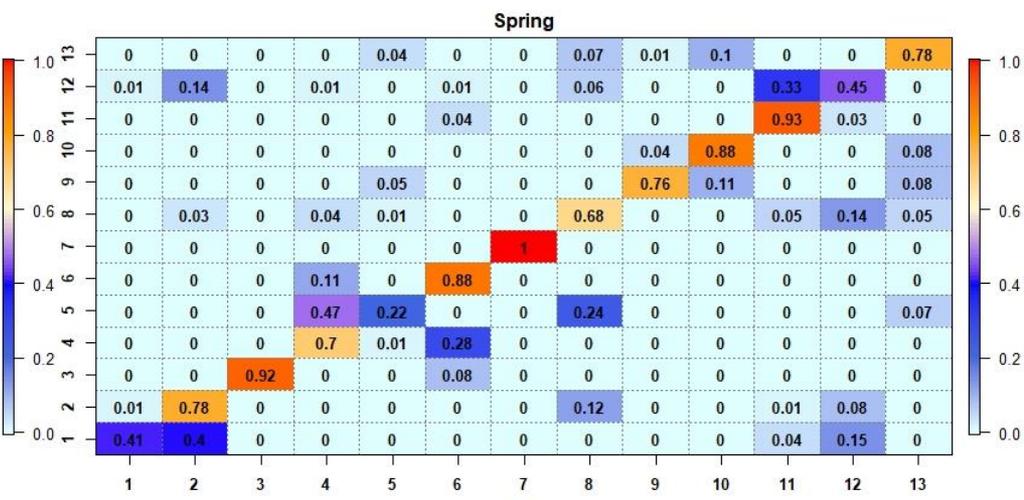
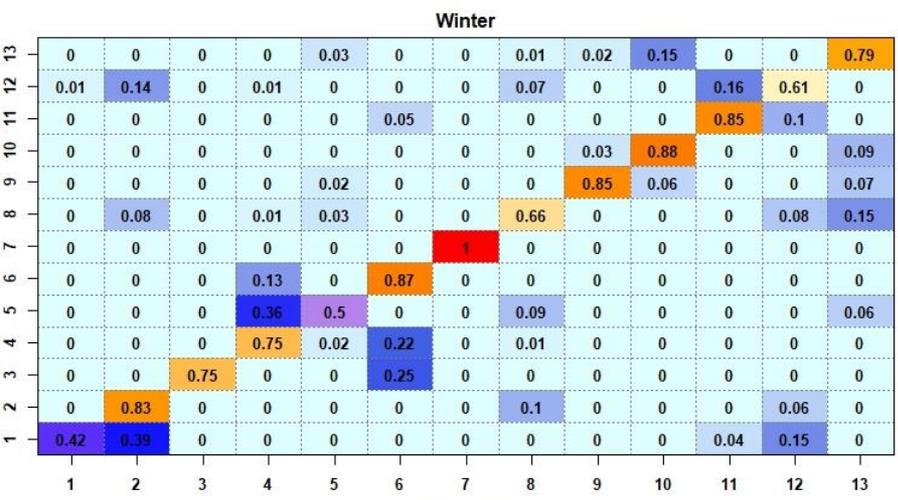
Equatorial
W. Africa

NE Brasil

W. North
Atlantic



Movement matrix results: Seasonal



Next Steps

- **Results are preliminary!**
- **Results sensitive to input data and amount of stratification**
- **Use tag informed areas**
- **Compare with conventional tag attrition models**
- **AOTTP yellowfin**



Thank you!

AOTTP Tagging participants

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