

# Package: wham (via r-universe)

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**Title** Woods Hole Assessment Model (WHAM)

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**Description** The Woods Hole Assessment Model (WHAM) is a state-space age-structured stock assessment model that can include environmental effects on population processes. WHAM can be configured to estimate a range of assessment models: a traditional statistical catch-at-age (SCAA) model with recruitments as fixed effects, SCAA with recruitments as random effects, or a "full state-space" model with abundance at all ages treated as random effects. WHAM is a generalization of the R and TMB code from Miller et al. (2016), Miller and Hyun (2018), and Miller et al. (2018). WHAM also has many similarities of input data sources with ASAP (Legault and Restrepo 1999) and provides functions to generate a WHAM input file from an ASAP3 dat file. Many of the plotting functions for input data, results, and diagnostics are modified from ASAP code written by Chris Legault and Liz Brooks.

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check_convergence	<i>Check convergence of WHAM model</i>
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### Description

Access quick convergence checks from ‘TMB’ and ‘nlminb’.

### Usage

```
check_convergence(mod, ret = FALSE, f = "")
```

**Arguments**

mod                    output from [fit\\_wham](#)  
 ret                    T/F, return list? Default = FALSE, just prints to console

**Value**

a list with at least the first three of these components:

\$convergence From [stats::nlminb](#), "0 indicates successful convergence for nlminb"

\$maxgr Max absolute gradient value, from 'max(abs(mod\$gr(mod\$opt\$par)))'

\$maxgr\_par Name of parameter with max gradient

\$is\_sdrep If [TMB::sdreport](#) was performed for this model, this indicates whether it performed without error

\$na\_sdrep If [TMB::sdreport](#) was performed without error for this model, this indicates which (if any) components of the diagonal of the inverted hessian were returned as NA

**See Also**

[fit\\_wham](#), [fit\\_tmb](#), [stats::nlminb](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
data("input4_SNEMAYT") # load SNEMA yellowtail flounder data and parameter settings
mod = fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT) # using default values
check_convergence(mod)

## End(Not run)
```

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check\_estimability    *Check for identifiability of fixed effects Originally provided by [https://github.com/kaskr/TMB\\_contrib\\_R/TMBhelper](https://github.com/kaskr/TMB_contrib_R/TMBhelper) Internal function called by [fit\\_tmb](#).*

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**Description**

check\_estimability calculates the matrix of second-derivatives of the marginal likelihood w.r.t. fixed effects, to see if any linear combinations are not estimable (i.e. cannot be uniquely estimated conditional upon model structure and available data, e.g., resulting in a likelihood ridge and singular, non-invertable Hessian matrix)

**Usage**

```
check_estimability(obj, h)
```

**Arguments**

obj	The compiled object
h	optional argument containing pre-computed Hessian matrix

**Value**

A tagged list of the hessian and the message

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compare\_wham\_models    *Compare multiple WHAM (or ASAP) models*

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**Description**

After fitting multiple WHAM (or ASAP) models, `compare_wham_models` produces plots and a table of AIC and Mohn's rho to aid model comparison.

**Usage**

```
compare_wham_models(
  mods,
  do.table = TRUE,
  do.plot = TRUE,
  fdir = getwd(),
  table.opts = NULL,
  plot.opts = NULL,
  fname = NULL,
  sort = NULL,
  calc.rho = NULL,
  calc.aic = NULL,
  do.print = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

mods	(named) list of fit WHAM/ASAP models. To read in ASAP model output, use <a href="#">read_asap3_fit</a> . If no names are given, 'm1', 'm2', ... will be used.
do.table	T/F, produce table of AIC and/or Mohn's rho? Default = TRUE.
do.plot	T/F, produce plots? Default = TRUE.
fdir	character, path to directory to save table and/or plots. Default = <code>getwd()</code> .
table.opts	list of options for AIC/rho table: \$fname character, filename to save CSV results table (.csv will be appended). Default = 'model_comparison'. \$sort T/F, sort by AIC? Default = TRUE. \$calc.rho T/F, calculate Mohn's rho? Retrospective analysis must have been run for all modes. Default = TRUE.

`$calc.aic` T/F, calculate AIC? Default = TRUE.  
`$print` T/F, print table to console? Default = TRUE.  
`$save.csv` T/F, save table as a CSV file? Default = TRUE.  
`plot.opts` list of options for plots:  
`$out.type` character, either 'pdf' or 'png' (default = 'png' because I am not sure system('pdftk') will work across platforms.)  
`$ci` vector of T/F, length = 1 (applied to all models) or number of models  
`$years` vector, which years to plot? Default = all (model and projection years).  
`$which` vector, which plots to make? Default = all. See details.  
`$relative.to` character, name of "base" model to plot differences relative to.  
`$alpha` scalar, (1-alpha)% confidence intervals will be plotted. Default = 0.05 for 95% CI.  
`$ages.lab` vector, overwrite model age labels.  
`$kobe.yr` integer, which year to use in Kobe plot (relative status). Default = terminal model year.  
`$M.age` integer, which age to use in M time-series plot. Default = max(data\$which\_F\_age) (max age of F to use for full total F).  
`$return.ggplot` T/F, return a list of ggplot2 objects for later modification? Default = TRUE.  
`$kobe.prob` T/F, print probabilities for each model in each quadrant of Kobe plot? Default = TRUE.  
`$refpt` "XSPR" or "MSY", which reference point to use. Default = "XSPR".

## Details

`plot.opts$which` specifies which plots to make:

- 1** 3-panel of SSB (spawning stock biomass), F (fully-selected fishing mortality), and Recruitment
- 2** CV (coefficient of variation) for SSB, F, and Recruitment
- 3** Fleet selectivity (by block, averaged across years)
- 4** Index selectivity (by block, averaged across years)
- 5** Selectivity tile (fleets + indices, useful for time-varying random effects)
- 6** M time series (natural mortality, can specify which age with `plot.opts$M.age`)
- 7** M tile (useful for time-varying random effects)
- 8** 3-panel of F X% SPR, SSB at F\_X%SPR, and yield at F\_X%SPR
- 9** 2-panel of relative status (SSB / SSB at F\_X%SPR and F / F\_X%SPR)
- 10** Kobe status (relative SSB vs. relative F)

If `plot.opts$return.ggplot = TRUE`, a list `g` is returned holding the above ggplot2 objects for later modification. `g[[i]]` holds the plot corresponding to `i` above, e.g. `g[[2]]` is the CV plot.

**Value**

a list with the following components:

daic Vector of delta-AIC by model (if do.table=T and table.opts\$calc.aic=T)

aic Vector of AIC by model (if do.table=T and table.opts\$calc.aic=T)

rho Matrix of Mohn's rho by model (if do.table=T and table.opts\$calc.rho=T)

best Name of best model (lowest AIC) (if do.table=T and table.opts\$calc.aic=T)

tab Results table of AIC and Mohn's rho (if do.table=T)

g List of ggplot2 objects for later modification (if do.plot=T and plot.opts\$return.ggplot=T)

**See Also**

[fit\\_wham](#), [read\\_asap3\\_fit](#), [read\\_wham\\_fit](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
base <- read_asap3_fit()
m1 <- fit_wham(input1)
m2 <- fit_wham(input2)
mods <- list(base=base, m1=m1, m2=m2)
res <- compare_wham_models(mods)

## End(Not run)
```

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extract_fixed	<i>Extract fixed effects Originally provided by</i> <i><a href="https://github.com/kaskr/TMB_contrib_R/TMBhelper">https://github.com/kaskr/TMB_contrib_R/TMBhelper</a> Internal</i> <i>function called by <a href="#">check_estimability</a>.</i>
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**Description**

extract\_fixed extracts the best previous value of fixed effects, in a way that works for both mixed and fixed effect models

**Usage**

```
extract_fixed(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj                    The compiled object

**Value**

A vector of fixed-effect estimates

fit\_peel

*Fit model peeling off  $i$  years of data***Description**

Internal function called by [retro](#) for  $i$  in 1–`n.peels`. Fits the model peeling off  $i$  years of data (calls [fit\\_tmb](#)).

**Usage**

```
fit_peel(
  peel,
  input,
  do.sdrep = FALSE,
  n.newton = 3,
  MakeADFun.silent = FALSE,
  retro.silent = FALSE,
  save.input = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>peel</code>	Integer, number of years of data to remove before model fitting.
<code>input</code>	input with same structure as that provided by <a href="#">prepare_wham_input</a> . May want to use <code>input\$par = model\$parList</code> to start at MLEs.
<code>do.sdrep</code>	T/F, calculate standard deviations of model parameters? Default = FALSE.
<code>n.newton</code>	integer, number of additional Newton steps after optimization for each peel. Default = 3.
<code>MakeADFun.silent</code>	T/F, Passed to silent argument of <code>TMB::MakeADFun</code> . Default = FALSE.
<code>retro.silent</code>	T/F, Passed to argument of internal <code>fit_peel</code> function. Determines whether peel number is printed to screen. Default = FALSE.
<code>save.input</code>	T/F, should modified input list be saved? Necessary to project from a peel but increases model object size. Default = FALSE.

**Value**

out, output of [fit\\_tmb](#) for peel  $i$

**See Also**

[fit\\_wham](#), [retro](#), [fit\\_tmb](#)

fit\_tmb

*Fit TMB model using nlminb***Description**

Runs optimization on the TMB model using `stats::nlminb`. If specified, takes additional Newton steps and calculates standard deviations. Internal function called by `fit_wham`.

**Usage**

```
fit_tmb(
  model,
  n.newton = 3,
  do.sdrep = TRUE,
  do.check = FALSE,
  save.sdrep = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>model</code>	Output from <code>TMB::MakeADFun</code> .
<code>n.newton</code>	Integer, number of additional Newton steps after optimization. Default = 3.
<code>do.sdrep</code>	T/F, calculate standard deviations of model parameters? See <code>TMB::sdreport</code> . Default = TRUE.
<code>do.check</code>	T/F, check if model parameters are identifiable? Runs internal <code>check_estimability</code> , originally provided by <a href="https://github.com/kaskr/TMB_contrib_R/TMBhelper">https://github.com/kaskr/TMB_contrib_R/TMBhelper</a> . Default = TRUE.
<code>save.sdrep</code>	T/F, save the full <code>TMB::sdreport</code> object? If FALSE, only save <code>summary.sdreport</code> to reduce model object file size. Default = FALSE.

**Value**

`model`, appends the following:

```
model$opt Output from stats::nlminb
model$date System date
model$dir Current working directory
model$rep model$report()
model$TMB_version Version of TMB installed
model$parList List of parameters, model$env$parList()
model$final_gradient Final gradient, model$gr()
model$sdrep Estimated standard deviations for model parameters, TMB::sdreport or summary.sdreport)
```

**See Also**

`fit_wham`, `retro`, `TMBhelper::check_estimability`



fit\_wham

*Fit WHAM model***Description**

Fits the compiled WHAM model using `TMB::MakeADFun` and `stats::nlminb`. Runs retrospective analysis if specified.

**Usage**

```
fit_wham(
  input,
  n.newton = 3,
  do.sdrep = TRUE,
  do.retro = TRUE,
  n.peels = 7,
  do.osa = TRUE,
  osa.opts = list(method = "cdf", parallel = TRUE),
  do.post.samp = TRUE,
  model = NULL,
  do.check = FALSE,
  MakeADFun.silent = FALSE,
  retro.silent = FALSE,
  do.proj = FALSE,
  proj.opts = list(n.yrs = 3, use.last.F = TRUE, use.avg.F = FALSE, use.FXSPR = FALSE,
    proj.F = NULL, proj.catch = NULL, avg.yrs = NULL, cont.ecov = TRUE, use.last.ecov =
    FALSE, avg.ecov.yrs = NULL, proj.ecov = NULL, cont.Mre = NULL, avg.rec.yrs = NULL,
    percentFXSPR = 100),
  do.fit = TRUE,
  save.sdrep = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>input</code>	Named list with components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>\$data</code> Data to fit the assessment model to.</li> <li><code>\$par</code> Parameters, a list of all parameter objects required by the user template (both random and fixed effects). See <a href="#">MakeADFun</a>.</li> <li><code>\$map</code> Map, a mechanism for collecting and fixing parameters. See <a href="#">MakeADFun</a>.</li> <li><code>\$random</code> Character vector defining the parameters to treat as random effect. See <a href="#">MakeADFun</a>.</li> <li><code>\$years</code> Numeric vector of the years which the model spans. Not important for model fitting, but useful for plotting.</li> <li><code>\$model_name</code> Character, name of the model, e.g. "Yellowtail flounder"</li> <li><code>\$ages.lab</code> Character vector of the age labels, e.g. <code>c("1", "2", "3", "4+")</code>.</li> </ul>
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n.newton	integer, number of additional Newton steps after optimization. Passed to <code>fit_tmb</code> . Default = 3.
do.sdrep	T/F, calculate standard deviations of model parameters? See <code>sdreport</code> . Default = TRUE.
do.retro	T/F, do retrospective analysis? Default = TRUE.
n.peels	integer, number of peels to use in retrospective analysis. Default = 7.
do.osa	T/F, calculate one-step-ahead (OSA) residuals? Default = TRUE. See details. Returned as <code>mod\$osa\$residual</code> .
osa.opts	list of 2 options (method, parallel) for calculating OSA residuals, passed to <code>TMB::oneStepPredict</code> . Default: <code>osa.opts = list(method="oneStepGaussianOffMode", parallel=TRUE)</code> . See <code>make_osa_residuals</code> .
do.post.samp	T/F, obtain sample from posterior of random effects? Default = TRUE. NOT YET IMPLEMENTED.
model	(optional), a previously fit wham model.
do.check	T/F, check if model parameters are identifiable? Passed to <code>fit_tmb</code> . Runs internal function <code>check_estimability</code> , originally provided by <a href="https://github.com/kaskr/TMB_contrib_R/TM">https://github.com/kaskr/TMB_contrib_R/TM</a> . Default = TRUE.
MakeADFun.silent	T/F, Passed to silent argument of <code>TMB::MakeADFun</code> . Default = FALSE.
retro.silent	T/F, Passed to argument of internal retro function. Determines whether peel number is printed to screen. Default = FALSE.
do.proj	T/F, do projections? Default = FALSE. If true, runs <code>project_wham</code> .
proj.opts	a named list with the following components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>n.yrs</code> (integer), number of years to project/forecast. Default = 3.</li> <li>• <code>use.last.F</code> (T/F), use terminal year F for projections. Default = TRUE.</li> <li>• <code>use.FXSPR</code> (T/F), calculate and use F at X</li> <li>• <code>use.FMSY</code> (T/F), calculate and use FMSY for projections.</li> <li>• <code>proj.F</code> (vector), user-specified fishing mortality for projections. Length must equal <code>n.yrs</code>.</li> <li>• <code>proj.catch</code> (vector), user-specified aggregate catch for projections. Length must equal <code>n.yrs</code>.</li> <li>• <code>avg.yrs</code> (vector), specify which years to average over for calculating reference points. Default = last 5 model years, <code>tail(model\$years, 5)</code>.</li> <li>• <code>cont.ecov</code> (T/F), continue ecov process (e.g. random walk or AR1) for projections. Default = TRUE.</li> <li>• <code>use.last.ecov</code> (T/F), use terminal year ecov for projections.</li> <li>• <code>avg.ecov.yrs</code> (vector), specify which years to average over the environmental covariate(s) for projections.</li> <li>• <code>proj.ecov</code> (vector), user-specified environmental covariate(s) for projections. Length must equal <code>n.yrs</code>.</li> <li>• <code>cont.Mre</code> (T/F), continue M random effects (i.e. AR1_y or 2D AR1) for projections. Default = TRUE. If FALSE, M will be averaged over <code>avg.yrs</code> (which defaults to last 5 model years).</li> </ul>

- `$avg.rec.yrs` (vector), specify which years to calculate the CDF of recruitment for use in projections. Default = all model years.
  - `$percentFXSPR` (scalar), percent of `F_XSPR` to use for calculating catch in projections, only used if `proj.opts$use.FXSPR = TRUE`. For example, GOM cod uses `F = 75`
  - `$percentFMSY` (scalar), percent of `F_MSY` to use for calculating catch in projections, only used if `$use.FMSY = TRUE`.
- `do.fit` T/F, fit the model using `fit_tmb`. Default = TRUE.
- `save.sdrep` T/F, save the full `TMB::sdreport` object? If FALSE, only save `summary.sdreport` to reduce model object file size. Default = TRUE.

## Details

Standard residuals are not appropriate for models with random effects. Instead, one-step-ahead (OSA) residuals can be used for evaluating model goodness-of-fit (Thygeson et al. (2017), implemented in `TMB::oneStepPredict`). Additional OSA residual options are passed to `TMB::oneStepPredict` in a list `osa.opts`. For example, to use the (much faster, ~1 sec instead of 2 min) full Gaussian approximation instead of the (default) generic method, you can use `osa.opts=list(method="fullGaussian")`.

## Value

a fit TMB model with additional output if specified:

`$rep` List of derived quantity estimates (see examples)

`$sdrep` Parameter estimates (and standard errors if `do.sdrep=TRUE`)

`$peels` Retrospective analysis (if `do.retro=TRUE`)

`$osa` One-step-ahead residuals (if `do.osa=TRUE`)

## See Also

[fit\\_tmb](#), [retro](#), [TMB::oneStepPredict](#), [project\\_wham](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
data("input4_SNEMAYT") # load SNEMA yellowtail flounder data and parameter settings
mod = fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT) # using default values
mod = fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT, do.retro=FALSE, osa.opts=list(method="oneStepGeneric")) # slower OSA method.

names(mod$rep) # list of derived quantities
mod$rep$SSB # get SSB estimates (weight, not numbers)
m1$rep$NAA[,1] # get recruitment estimates (numbers, first column of numbers-at-age matrix)
m1$rep$F[,1] # get F estimates for fleet 1

## End(Not run)
```

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make\_osa\_residuals      *Calculate one-step-ahead residuals*

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## Description

Standard residuals are not appropriate for models with random effects. Instead, one-step-ahead (OSA) residuals can be used for evaluating model goodness-of-fit (Thygeson et al. (2017), implemented in `TMB::oneStepPredict`). OSA residual options are passed to `TMB::oneStepPredict` in a list `osa.opts`. Current options are `method`: `oneStepGaussianOffMode` (default), `oneStepGaussian`, or `oneStepGeneric`, and `parallel`: `TRUE/FALSE`. See `TMB::oneStepPredict` for further details. It is not recommended to run this function (or `TMB::oneStepPredict`) with any random effects and `mvtweedie` age composition likelihoods due to extensive computational demand. An error will be thrown in such cases. See Trijoulet et al. (2023) for OSA methods for age composition OSA residuals.

## Usage

```
make_osa_residuals(  
  model,  
  osa.opts = list(method = "oneStepGaussianOffMode", parallel = TRUE)  
)
```

## Arguments

`model`                    A fit WHAM model, output from `fit_wham`.

## Value

the same fit TMB model with additional elements for osa residuals:

`$OSA.Ecov` data.frame returned by `TMB::oneStepPredict` for environmental observations, if applicable.

`$OSA.agregate` data.frame returned by `TMB::oneStepPredict` for aggregate catch and index observations conditional on any environmental observations, if applicable.

`$OSA.agecomp` data.frame returned by `TMB::oneStepPredict` for age composition observations conditional on any aggregate catch or index, or environmental observations, if applicable.

`$osa` One-step-ahead residuals (if `do.osa=TRUE`)

## See Also

`fit_wham`

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
data("input4_SNEMAYT") # load SNEMA yellowtail flounder data and parameter settings
mod <- fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT, do.osa =FALSE, do.retro =FALSE)
mod <- make_osa_residuals(mod) # calculate Mohn's rho
plot_wham_output(mod)

## End(Not run)
```

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mohns\_rho

*Calculate Mohn's rho for a WHAM model with peels*

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**Description**

Calculate Mohn's rho for a WHAM model with peels

**Usage**

```
mohns_rho(model)
```

**Arguments**

model            A fit WHAM model, output from [fit\\_wham](#) with `do.retro = TRUE`.

**Value**

rho, a vector of Mohn's rho

**See Also**

[fit\\_wham](#), [retro](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
data("input4_SNEMAYT") # load SNEMA yellowtail flounder data and parameter settings
mod = fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT) # using default values: do.retro = T, n.peels = 7
mohns_rho(mod) # calculate Mohn's rho

## End(Not run)
```

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plot\_wham\_output      *Plot WHAM output*

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## Description

Generates many output plots and tables for a fit WHAM model.

## Usage

```
plot_wham_output(
  mod,
  dir.main = getwd(),
  out.type = "png",
  res = 72,
  plot.opts = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

mod	output from <a href="#">fit_wham</a>
dir.main	character, directory to save plots to (default = getwd())
out.type	character, either 'html', 'pdf', or 'png' (default = 'png')
res	resolution to save .png files (dpi)
plot.opts	(optional) list of plot modifications

## Details

out.type = 'pdf' makes one pdf file of all plots. out.type = 'png' (default) creates a subdirectory 'plots\_png' in dir.main and saves .png files within. out.type = 'html' makes a html files for viewing plot .png files and html tables of parameter estimates in a browser. out.type = 'pdf' or 'png' makes LaTeX and pdf files of tables of parameter estimates. (tabs: 'input data', 'diagnostics', 'results', 'ref\_points', 'retro', and 'misc').

plot.opts holds optional arguments to modify plots:

\$ages.lab Character vector, will change age labels in plots (default is 1:n.ages).

\$font.family Font family, e.g. "Times".

Plot functions are located in wham\_plots\_tables.R Table function is located in par\_tables\_fn.R

## See Also

[fit\\_wham](#), [wham\\_html](#), [wham\\_plots\\_tables](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
data("input4_SNEMAYT") # load fit wham model
mod <- fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT)
plot_wham_output(mod)

## End(Not run)
```

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prepare_projection	<i>Prepare input data and parameters to project an already fit WHAM model</i>
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**Description**

prepare\_projection is an internal function called by `project_wham`, which in turn is called by `fit_wham` if `do.proj = TRUE`.

**Usage**

```
prepare_projection(model, proj.opts)
```

**Arguments**

model	a previously fit wham model
proj.opts	a named list with the following components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>n.yrs</code> (integer), number of years to project/forecast. Default = 3.</li> <li>• <code>use.last.F</code> (T/F), use terminal year F for projections. Default = TRUE.</li> <li>• <code>use.avg.F</code> (T/F), use average of F over certain years for projections. Default = FALSE. Years to average over determined by <code>avg.yrs</code> defined below.</li> <li>• <code>use.FXSPR</code> (T/F), calculate and use F at X% SPR for projections. Default = FALSE.</li> <li>• <code>use.FMSY</code> (T/F), calculate and use FMSY for projections. Default = FALSE.</li> <li>• <code>proj.F</code> (vector), user-specified fishing mortality for projections. Length must equal <code>n.yrs</code>.</li> <li>• <code>proj.catch</code> (vector), user-specified aggregate catch for projections. Length must equal <code>n.yrs</code>.</li> <li>• <code>avg.yrs</code> (vector), specify which years to average over for calculating reference points. Default = last 5 model years, <code>tail(model\$years, 5)</code>.</li> <li>• <code>cont.ecov</code> (T/F), continue ecov process (e.g. random walk or AR1) for projections. Default = TRUE.</li> <li>• <code>use.last.ecov</code> (T/F), use terminal year ecov for projections.</li> <li>• <code>avg.ecov.yrs</code> (vector), specify which years to average over the environmental covariate(s) for projections.</li> <li>• <code>proj.ecov</code> (matrix), user-specified environmental covariate(s) for projections. <code>n.yrs x n.ecov</code>.</li> </ul>

- `$cont.Mre` (T/F), continue M random effects (i.e. AR1\_y or 2D AR1) for projections. Default = TRUE. If FALSE, M will be averaged over `$avg.yrs` (which defaults to last 5 model years).
- `$avg.rec.yrs` (vector), specify which years to calculate the CDF of recruitment for use in projections. Default = all model years. Only used when recruitment is estimated as fixed effects (SCAA).
- `$percentFXSPR` (scalar), percent of `F_XSPR` to use for calculating catch in projections, only used if `$use.FXSPR = TRUE`. For example, GOM cod uses `F = 75% F_40%SPR`, so `proj.opts$percentFXSPR = 75`. Default = 100.
- `$percentFMSY` (scalar), percent of `F_MSY` to use for calculating catch in projections, only used if `$use.FMSY = TRUE`.
- `$proj.F_opt` (vector), integers specifying how to configure each year of the projection: 1: use terminal F, 2: use average F, 3: use F at X% SPR, 4: use specified F, 5: use specified catch, 6: use `Fmsy`. Overrides any of the above specifications.
- `$proj.Fcatch` (vector), catch or F values to use each projection year: values are not used when using `Fmsy`, `FXSPR`, terminal F or average F. Overrides any of the above specifications of `proj.F` or `proj.catch`.
- `$proj_mature` (matrix), user-supplied maturity values for the projection years with dimensions (`n.yrs x n_ages`).
- `$proj_waa` (3-d array), user-supplied waa values for the projection years with first and third dimensions equal to that of `model$input$data$waa` (`waa source x n.yrs x n_ages`).
- `$proj_R_opt` (integer), 1: continue any RE processes for recruitment, 2: make projected recruitment consistent with average recruitment in SPR reference points and cancel any bias correction for NAA in projection years.

## Value

same as [prepare\\_wham\\_input](#), a list ready for [fit\\_wham](#):

`data` Named list of data, passed to [TMB::MakeADFun](#)

`par` Named list of parameters, passed to [TMB::MakeADFun](#)

`map` Named list of factors that determine which parameters are estimated, passed to [TMB::MakeADFun](#)

`random` Character vector of parameters to treat as random effects, passed to [TMB::MakeADFun](#)

`years` Numeric vector of representing (non-projection) model years of WHAM model

`years_full` Numeric vector of representing all model and projection years of WHAM model

`ages.lab` Character vector of age labels, ending with plus-group

`model_name` Character, name of stock/model (specified in call to [prepare\\_wham\\_input](#))

## See Also

[prepare\\_wham\\_input](#), [project\\_wham](#)



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```
prepare_wham_input      Prepare input data and parameters for WHAM model
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### Description

After the data file is read into R by `read_asap3_dat`, this function prepares the data and parameter settings for `fit_wham`. By default, this will set up a SCAA version like **ASAP**. As of version 1.0.5, if an `asap3` object is not provided, a dummy input is generated with some arbitrary assumptions. The various options described below, such as `NAA_re` and `selectivity`, can still be used without the `asap3` object.

### Usage

```
prepare_wham_input(  
  asap3 = NULL,  
  model_name = "WHAM for unnamed stock",  
  recruit_model = 2,  
  ecov = NULL,  
  selectivity = NULL,  
  M = NULL,  
  NAA_re = NULL,  
  catchability = NULL,  
  age_comp = NULL,  
  basic_info = NULL  
)
```

### Arguments

<code>asap3</code>	(optional) list containing data and parameters (output from <code>read_asap3_dat</code> )
<code>model_name</code>	character, name of stock/model
<code>recruit_model</code>	numeric, option to specify stock-recruit model (see details)
<code>ecov</code>	(optional) named list of environmental covariate data and parameters (see details)
<code>selectivity</code>	(optional) list specifying selectivity options by block: models, initial values, parameters to fix, and random effects (see details)
<code>M</code>	(optional) list specifying natural mortality options: model, random effects, initial values, and parameters to fix (see details)
<code>NAA_re</code>	(optional) list specifying options for random effect on numbers-at-age, initial numbers at age, and recruitment model (see details)
<code>catchability</code>	(optional) list specifying options for priors and random effects on catchability (see details)
<code>age_comp</code>	(optional) character or named list, specifies age composition model for fleet(s) and indices (see details)
<code>basic_info</code>	(optional) list of basic population information for use when <code>asap3</code> is not provided (see details)

## Details

`recruit_model` specifies the stock-recruit model. See `wham.cpp` for implementation.

- = 1 SCAA (without `NAA_re` option specified) or Random walk (if `NAA_re$sigma` specified), i.e. predicted recruitment in year  $i$  = recruitment in year  $i-1$
- = 2 (default) Random about mean, i.e. steepness = 1
- = 3 Beverton-Holt
- = 4 Ricker

Note: we allow fitting a SCAA model (`NAA_re = NULL`), which estimates recruitment in every year as separate fixed effect parameters, but in that case no stock-recruit function is estimated. A warning message is printed if `recruit_model > 2` and `NAA_re = NULL`. If you wish to use a stock-recruit function for expected recruitment, choose recruitment deviations as random effects, either only age-1 (`NAA_re = list(sigma="rec")`) or all ages (`NAA_re = list(sigma="rec+1")`, "full state-space" model). See below for details on `NAA_re` specification.

`ecov` specifies any environmental covariate data and model. Environmental covariate data need not span the same years as the fisheries data. It can be `NULL` if no environmental data are to be fit. Otherwise, it must be a named list with the following components:

**\$label** Name(s) of the environmental covariate(s). Used in printing.

**\$mean** Mean observations (matrix). number of years x number of covariates. Missing values = `NA`.

**\$logsigma** Configure observation standard errors. Options:

**Matrix of log standard errors with same dimensions as \$mean** Specified values for each time step

**log standard errors for each covariate, numeric vector or matrix w/ dim 1 x n.ecov** Specified value the same for all time steps

**estimation option (for all covariates). character string:** `"est_1"`: Estimated, one value shared among time steps. `"est_re"`: Estimated value for each time step as random effects with two parameters (mean, var)

**list of two elements.** First is the matrix of log standard errors or the vector of single values for each covariate as above. Second is a character vector of estimation options (`NA`, `"est_1"`, `"est_re"`) for each covariate. For covariates with non-`NA` values, values in the first element are ignored.

**\$year** Years corresponding to observations (vector of same length as `$mean` and `$logsigma`)

**\$use\_obs** T/F (or 0/1) vector/matrix of the same dimension as `$mean` and `$logsigma`. Use the observation? Can be used to ignore subsets of the `ecov` without changing data files.

**\$lag** integer vector of offsets between the `ecov` observation/process and their affect on the stock. I.e. if SST in year  $t$  affects recruitment in year  $t + 1$ , set `lag = 1`. May also be a list (length=`n_Ecov`) of vectors (length = `2+n_indices`) if multiple effects of one or more `Ecovs` are modeled.

**\$process\_model** Process model for the `ecov` time-series. `"rw"` = random walk, `"ar1"` = 1st order autoregressive, `NA` = do not fit

**\$where** Character vector for where each ecov affects the population. "recruit" = recruitment, "M" = natural mortality, "q" = catchability for indices, "none" = fit ecov process model(s) but without an effect on the population. May also be a list (element for each ecov) of character vectors ("none", "recruit", "M", and/or "q") so each ecov can multiple effects.

**\$indices** indices that each ecov affects. Must be a list (length = n\_Ecov), where each element is a vector of indices (1:n\_indices). Must be provided when any of where = "q"

**\$link\_model** vector of (orthogonal polynomial order) models for effects of each ecov on the \$where process. Options: "none", "linear" (default) or "poly-x" where x = 2, ... (e.g. "poly-2" specifies a quadratic model,  $b_0 + b_1 * ecov + b_2 * ecov^2 + \dots$ ). Or a list (length = n\_Ecov) of character vectors (same options) for modeling effects on (1) recruitment, (2) M, and catchabilities for (3) index 1,..., (2+n\_indices) index n\_indices (length of the vector is 2 + n\_indices).

**\$ages** Ages that each ecov affects. Must be a list of length n.ecov, where each element is a vector of ages. Default = list(1:n.ages) to affect all ages.

**\$how** How does the ecov affect the \$where process? An integer vector (length = n\_Ecov). If corresponding \$where = "none", then this is ignored. These options are specific to the \$where process.

**Recruitment options (see Iles & Beverton (1998)):** = 0 none (but fit ecov time-series model in order to compare AIC)

= 1 "controlling" (dens-indep mortality)

= 2 "limiting" (carrying capacity, e.g. ecov determines amount of suitable habitat)

= 3 "lethal" (threshold, i.e.  $R \rightarrow 0$  at some ecov value)

= 4 "masking" (metabolic/growth, decreases  $dR/dS$ )

= 5 "directive" (e.g. behavioral)

**M options:** = 0 none (but fit ecov time-series model in order to compare AIC)

= 1 effect on mean M (shared across ages)

**Catchability options:** = 0 none (but fit ecov time-series model in order to compare AIC)

= 1 effect on one or more catchabilities (see \$indices)

selectivity specifies options for selectivity, to overwrite existing options specified in the ASAP data file. If NULL, selectivity options from the ASAP data file are used. selectivity is a list with the following entries:

**\$model** Selectivity model for each block. Vector with length = number of selectivity blocks. Each entry must be one of: "age-specific", "logistic", "double-logistic", or "decreasing-logistic".

**\$re** Time-varying (random effects) for each block. Vector with length = number of selectivity blocks. If NULL, selectivity parameters in all blocks are constant over time and uncorrelated. Each entry of selectivity\$re must be one of the following options, where the selectivity parameters are:

"none" (default) are constant and uncorrelated

"iid" vary by year and age/par, but uncorrelated

"ar1" correlated by age/par (AR1), but not year

"ar1\_y" correlated by year (AR1), but not age/par

"2dar1" correlated by year and age/par (2D AR1)

**\$initial\_pars** Initial parameter values for each block. List of length = number of selectivity blocks. Each entry must be a vector of length # parameters in the block, i.e. `c(2, 0.2)` for logistic or `c(0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 1, 1, 0.5)` for age-specific with 6 ages. Default is to set at middle of parameter range. This is 0.5 for age-specific and `n.ages/2` for logistic, double-logistic, and decreasing-logistic.

**\$fix\_pars** Which parameters to fix at initial values. List of length = number of selectivity blocks. E.g. model with 3 age-specific blocks and 6 ages, `list(c(4, 5), 4, c(2, 3, 4))` will fix ages 4 and 5 in block 1, age 4 in block 2, and ages 2, 3, and 4 in block 3.

**\$n\_selblocks** How many selectivity blocks. Optional. If unspecified and no `asap3` object, then this is set to the number of fleets + indices. If specified, ensure other components of selectivity are consistent.

`M` specifies estimation options for natural mortality and can overwrite M-at-age values specified in the ASAP data file. If `NULL`, the M-at-age matrix from the ASAP data file is used (M fixed, not estimated). To estimate M-at-age shared/mirrored among some but not all ages, modify `input$map$M_a` after calling `prepare_wham_input` (see vignette for more details). `M` is a list with the following entries:

**\$model** Natural mortality model options are:

"constant" (default) estimate a single mean M shared across all ages

"age-specific" estimate  $M_a$  independent for each age

"weight-at-age" specifies M as a function of weight-at-age,  $M_y, a = \exp(b_0 + b_1 * \log(W_y, a))$ , as in [Lorenzen \(1996\)](#) and [Miller & Hyun \(2018\)](#).

**\$re** Time- and age-varying (random effects) on M. Note that random effects can only be estimated if mean M-at-age parameters are (`$est_ages` is not `NULL`).

"none" (default) M constant in time and across ages.

"iid" M varies by year and age, but uncorrelated.

"ar1\_a" M correlated by age (AR1), constant in time.

"ar1\_y" M correlated by year (AR1), constant all ages.

"2dar1" M correlated by year and age (2D AR1), as in [Cadigan \(2016\)](#).

**\$initial\_means** Initial/mean M-at-age vector, with length = number of ages (if `$model = "age-specific"`) or 1 (if `$model = "weight-at-age"` or `"constant"`). If `NULL`, initial mean M-at-age values are taken from the first row of the MAA matrix in the ASAP data file.

**\$est\_ages** Vector of ages to estimate M (others will be fixed at initial values). E.g. in a model with 6 ages, `$est_ages = 5:6` will estimate M for the 5th and 6th ages, and fix M for ages 1-4. If `NULL`, M at all ages is fixed at `M$initial_means` (if not `NULL`) or row 1 of the MAA matrix from the ASAP file (if `M$initial_means = NULL`).

**\$logb\_prior** (Only if `$model = "weight-at-age"`) TRUE or FALSE (default), should a  $N(0.305, 0.08)$  prior be used on `log_b`? Based on Fig. 1 and Table 1 (marine fish) in [Lorenzen \(1996\)](#).

`NAA_re` specifies options for random effects on numbers-at-age (NAA, i.e. state-space model or not) If `NULL`, a traditional statistical catch-at-age model is fit (`NAA = pred_NAA` for all ages, deterministic). To fit a state-space model, specify `NAA_re`, a list with the following entries:

**\$sigma** Which ages allow deviations from `pred_NAA`? Common options are specified with the strings:

**"rec"** Random effects on recruitment (deviations), all other ages deterministic

**"rec+1"** "Full state space" model with 2 estimated  $\sigma_a$ , one for recruitment and one shared among other ages

Alternatively, you can specify a more complex structure by entering a vector with length = n.ages, where each entry points to the NAA\_sigma to use for that age. E.g. c(1,2,2,3,3,3) will estimate 3  $\sigma_a$ , with recruitment (age-1) deviations having their own  $\sigma_R$ , ages 2-3 sharing  $\sigma_2$ , and ages 4-6 sharing  $\sigma_3$ .

**\$cor** Correlation structure for the NAA deviations. Options are:

**"iid"** NAA deviations vary by year and age, but uncorrelated.

**"ar1\_a"** NAA deviations correlated by age (AR1).

**"ar1\_y"** NAA deviations correlated by year (AR1).

**"2dar1"** NAA deviations correlated by year and age (2D AR1).

**\$decouple\_recruitment** T/F determining whether correlation structure of recruitment is independent of RE deviations for older ages (default = FALSE). Only applicable for NAA\_re\$sigma = "rec+1" and correlation across ages is specified. If TRUE and NAA\_re\$cor = "ar1\_a", only deviations for ages>1 have the correlation structure. If TRUE and NAA\_re\$cor is not "iid" separate year correlation parameters are estimated for recruitment and older ages.

NAA\_re also can be used to configure initial numbers at age and recruitment models. The optional associated components of NAA\_re are:

**\$N1\_model** Integer determining which way to model the initial numbers at age:

**0** (default) age-specific fixed effects parameters

**1** 2 fixed effects parameters: an initial recruitment and an instantaneous fishing mortality rate to generate an equilibrium abundance at age.

**\$N1\_pars** if N1\_model = 0, then these would be the initial values to use for abundance at age in the first year. If N1\_model = 1, This would be the initial numbers in the first age class and the equilibrium fishing mortality rate generating the rest of the numbers at age in the first year.

**\$recruit\_model** Integer determining how to model recruitment. Overrides recruit\_model argument to prepare\_wham\_input. Must make sure NAA\_re\$sigma, NAA\_re\$cor and ecov are properly specified.

**1** SCAA, estimating all recruitments as fixed effects or a random walk if NAA\_re\$sigma specified

**2** estimating a mean recruitment with yearly recruitments as random effects

**3** Beverton-Holt stock-recruitment with yearly recruitments as random effects

**4** Ricker stock-recruitment with yearly recruitments as random effects

**\$use\_steepness** T/F determining whether to use a steepness parameterization for a stock-recruit relationship. Only used if recruit\_model>2.

**\$recruit\_pars** vector of initial parameters for recruitment model. If use\_steepness=F, parameters are "alpha" and "beta" otherwise they are steepness and R0.

catchability specifies options for catchability. If NULL and asap3 is not NULL, a single catchability parameter for each index is used with initial values specified in ASAP file. If both are NULL, initial catchabilities for all indices = 0.3. Otherwise, it is a list with the following optional entries:

**\$re** Time-varying (random effects) for each index. Vector with length = number of indices. Each entry of catchability\$re must be one of the following options:

- "none" (default) are constant
- "iid" vary by year and age/par, but uncorrelated
- "ar1" correlated by year (AR1)

**\$initial\_q** Initial catchabilities for each index. vector length = number of indices. Will override values provided in basic\_info\$q. If basic\_info\$q and asap3 are not provided, default q values are 0.3.

**\$q\_lower** Lower bound for catchabilities for each index. vector length = number of indices. For indices with NULL components default lower values are 0.

**\$q\_upper** Upper bound for catchabilities for each index. vector length = number of indices. For indices with NULL components default lower values are 1000.

**\$prior\_sd** vector of NA and standard deviations to use for gaussian prior on logit transform of catchability parameter. Length = number of indices. Indices with non-NA values will have mean logit q as a random effect with mean determined by logit transform of catchability\$initial\_q and sigma as standard error.

age\_comp specifies the age composition models for fleet(s) and indices. If NULL, the multinomial is used because this was the only option in ASAP. The age composition models available are:

- "multinomial" Multinomial. This is the default because it was the only option in ASAP. 0 parameters.
- "dir-mult" Saturating Dirichlet-multinomial, parameterized such that effective-sample-size is a nonlinear and saturating function with respect to input-sample-size. 1 parameter. Effective sample size is estimated by the model (Candy 2008)
- "dirichlet-pool0" Dirichlet, pooling zero observations with adjacent age classes. 1. parameter. See Francis 2014 and Albertsen et al. 2016
- "dirichlet-miss0" Dirichlet, treating zero observations as missing. 1 parameter.
- "logistic-normal-miss0" Logistic normal, treating zero observations as missing. 1 parameter.
- "logistic-normal-ar1-miss0" Logistic normal, treating zero observations as missing. 1 parameter.
- "logistic-normal-pool0" Logistic normal, pooling zero observations with adjacent age classes. 1 parameter. See Schnute and Haigh (2007) and Francis (2014).
- "logistic-normal-01-infl" Zero-or-one inflated logistic normal. Inspired by zero-one inflated beta in Ospina and Ferrari (2012). 3 parameters. . No OSA residuals.
- "logistic-normal-01-infl-2par" Zero-one inflated logistic normal where p0 is a function of binomial sample size. 2 parameters. No OSA residuals.
- "mvtweedie" Multivariate-tweedie, where the product of composition proportions and input sample sizes follows a distribution with mean equal to the product of predicted proportions and input sample size, and other parameters define the ratio of effective to input sample size (with is bounded 0 to Inf) and the probability of zeros. 2 parameters. No OSA residuals.
- "dir-mult-linear" Linear Dirichlet-multinomial, parameterized such that effective-sample-size is a linear function with respect to input-sample-size, estimating 1 parameter,  $\log(\theta)$ , where the ratio of effective and input sample size is approximately  $\theta/(1 + \theta)$ , i.e., the logistic transformation of the estimated parameter  $\log(\theta)$ . (Thorson et al. 2017)

The two Dirichlet-multinomial options will only differ when input-sample-size differs among years. In these cases, the linear-Dirichlet multinomial is designed to decrease the effective sample size in each year by approximately the same proportion, while the saturating-Dirichlet multinomial will decrease the years with highest input-sample-size much more than those with lower input-sample-size. One-step-ahead residuals will be calculated for all but the last three options when `do.osa=TRUE` (Nielsen et al. in prep.). An age composition model needs to be specified for each fleet and index. If you would like all fleets and indices to use the same age composition likelihood, you can simply specify one of the strings above, i.e. `age_comp = "logistic-normal-miss0"`. If you do not want the same age composition model to be used for all fleets and indices, you must specify a named list with the following entries:

**\$fleets** A vector of the above strings with length = the number of fleets.

**\$indices** A vector of the above strings with length = the number of indices.

`basic_info` is an optional list of information that can be used to set up the population and types of observations when there is no `asap3` file given. Particularly useful for setting up an operating model to simulate population processes and observations. Also can be useful for setting up the structure of assessment model when `asap3` has not been used. The current options are:

**\$ages** integer vector of ages (years) with the last being a plus group

**\$years** integer vector of years that the population model spans.

**\$n\_fleets** number of fleets.

**\$agg\_catch** matrix (length(years) x `n_fleets`) of annual aggregate catches (biomass) for each fleet.

**\$catch\_paa** array (`n_fleets` x length(years) x `n_ages`) of each fleet's age composition data (numbers).

**\$catch\_cv** matrix (length(years) x `n_fleets`) of annual CVs for each fleet's aggregate catch observations.

**\$catch\_Neff** matrix (length(years) x `n_fleets`) of annual effective sample sizes for each fleet's age composition observation.

**\$use\_catch\_paa** 0/1 matrix (length(years) x `n_fleets`) indicated whether to use each fleet's age composition observation.

**\$selblock\_pointer\_fleets** integer matrix (length(years) x `n_fleets`) indicated which selectivity model to use for each fleet each year. Must be consistent with options to `selectivity` option.

**\$F** matrix (length(years) x `n_fleets`) of annual fishing mortality rates for each fleet to initialize the model.

**\$n\_indices** number of indices.

**\$agg\_indices** matrix (length(years) x `n_indices`) of annual aggregate catches (biomass or number) for each fleet.

**\$index\_paa** array (`n_indices` x length(years) x `n_ages`) of each index's age composition data (biomass or number).

**\$index\_cv** matrix (length(years) x `n_indices`) of annual CVs for each index's aggregate observations.

**\$index\_Neff** matrix (length(years) x `n_indices`) of annual effective sample sizes for each index's age composition observation.

- \$units\_indices** 1/2 matrix (length = n\_indices) indicated whether indices are in biomass or numbers, respectively.
- \$units\_index\_paa** 1/2 matrix (length = n\_indices) indicated whether to use each index's age composition observation are in numbers or biomass.
- \$use\_index\_paa** 0/1 matrix (length(years) x n\_indices) indicated whether to use each index's age composition observation.
- \$selblock\_pointer\_indices** integer matrix (length(years) x n\_indices) indicated which selectivity model to use for each index each year. Must be consistent with options to selectivity option.
- \$fracyr\_indices** matrix (length(years) x n\_indices) of annual proportions of the year elapsed when each index is observing the population.
- \$waa** array ((n\_fleets + n\_indices + 2) x length(years) x length(ages)) of annual weight at age for each fleet, each index, total catch, and spawning biomass.
- \$maturity** matrix (length(years) x length(ages)) of annual maturity at age for estimating spawning biomass.
- \$fracyr\_SSB** vector (1 or length(years)) of yearly proportions (0-1) of the year at which to calculate spawning biomass.
- \$Fbar\_ages** integer vector of ages to use to average total F at age defining fully selected F for reference points. May not be clearly known until a model is fitted.
- \$q** vector (length(n\_indices)) of catchabilities for each of the indices to initialize the model.
- \$percentSPR** (0-100) percentage of unfished spawning biomass per recruit for determining equilibrium fishing mortality reference point
- \$percentFXSPR** (0-100) percentage of SPR-based F to use in projections.
- \$percentFMSY** (0-100) percentage of Fmsy to use in projections.
- \$XSPR\_input\_average\_years** which years to average inputs to per recruit calculation (selectivity, M, WAA, maturity) for SPR-based reference points. Default is last 5 years (tail(1:length(years),5))
- \$XSPR\_R\_avg\_yrs** which years to average recruitments for calculating SPR-based SSB reference points. Default is 1:length(years)
- \$XSPR\_R\_opt** 1(3): use annual R estimates(predictions) for annual SSB\_XSPR, 2(4): use average R estimates(predictions). 5: use bias-corrected expected recruitment
- \$simulate\_process\_error** T/F vector (length = 5). When simulating from the model, whether to simulate any process errors for NAA, M, selectivity, Ecov, and q. Only used if applicable.
- \$simulate\_observation\_error** T/F vector (length = 3). When simulating from the model, whether to simulate catch, index, and ecov observations.
- \$simulate\_period** T/F vector (length = 2). When simulating from the model, whether to simulate base period (model years) and projection period.
- \$bias\_correct\_process** T/F. Perform bias correction of log-normal random effects for NAA.
- \$bias\_correct\_observation** T/F. Perform bias correction of log-normal observations.
- \$bias\_correct\_BRPs** T/F. Perform bias correction of analytic SSB/R and Y/R when there is bias correction of log-normal NAA.

If other arguments to prepare\_wham\_input are provided such as selectivity, M, and age\_comp, the information provided there must be consistent with basic\_info. For example the dimensions for number of years, ages, fleets, and indices.



**Value**

a named list with the following components:

`data` Named list of data, passed to `TMB::MakeADFun`

`par` Named list of parameters, passed to `TMB::MakeADFun`

`map` Named list defining how to optionally collect and fix parameters, passed to `TMB::MakeADFun`

`random` Character vector of parameters to treat as random effects, passed to `TMB::MakeADFun`

`years` Numeric vector of years to fit WHAM model (specified in ASAP3 .dat file)

`ages.lab` Character vector of age labels, ending with plus-group (specified in ASAP3 .dat file)

`model_name` Character, name of stock/model (specified in call to `prepare_wham_input`)

**See Also**

[read\\_asap3\\_dat](#), [fit\\_wham](#), [ASAP](#), [Iles & Beverton \(1998\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
asap3 = read_asap3_dat("ex1_SNEMAYT.dat")
input = prepare_wham_input(asap3)
mod = fit_wham(input)

# no ASAP3 file, default parameter values and configuration
input = prepare_wham_input()
mod = fit_wham(input, fit = FALSE)
set.seed(8675309)
simdata = mod$simulate(complete=TRUE)
input$data = simdata
fit = fit_wham(input, do.osa = FALSE)

## End(Not run)
```

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project\_wham

*Project a fit WHAM model*

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**Description**

Provides projections/forecasts for an existing (already fit) WHAM model.

**Usage**

```
project_wham(
  model,
  proj.opts = list(n.yrs = 3, use.last.F = TRUE, use.avg.F = FALSE, use.FXSPR = FALSE,
    use.FMSY = FALSE, proj.F = NULL, proj.catch = NULL, avg.yrs = NULL, cont.ecov = TRUE,
    use.last.ecov = FALSE, avg.ecov.yrs = NULL, proj.ecov = NULL, cont.Mre = NULL,
```

```

    avg.rec.yrs = NULL, percentFXSPR = 100, percentFMSY = 100, proj_F_opt = NULL,
    proj_Fcatch = NULL),
  n.newton = 3,
  do.sdrep = TRUE,
  MakeADFun.silent = FALSE,
  save.sdrep = TRUE
)

```

## Arguments

- |           |  |
|-----------|--|
| model     | a previously fit wham model  |
| proj.opts | <p>a named list with the following components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$n.yrs (integer), number of years to project/forecast. Default = 3.</li> <li>• \$use.last.F (T/F), use terminal year F for projections. Default = TRUE.</li> <li>• \$use.avg.F (T/F), use average of F over certain years for projections. Default = FALSE. Years to average over determined by \$avg.yrs defined below.</li> <li>• \$use.FXSPR (T/F), calculate and use F at X% SPR for projections. Default = FALSE.</li> <li>• \$use.FMSY (T/F), calculate and use FMSY for projections. Default = FALSE.</li> <li>• \$proj.F (vector), user-specified fishing mortality for projections. Length must equal n.yrs.</li> <li>• \$proj.catch (vector), user-specified aggregate catch for projections. Length must equal n.yrs.</li> <li>• \$avg.yrs (vector), specify which years to average over for calculating reference points. Default = last 5 model years, tail(model\$years, 5).</li> <li>• \$cont.ecov (T/F), continue ecov process (e.g. random walk or AR1) for projections. Default = TRUE.</li> <li>• \$use.last.ecov (T/F), use terminal year ecov for projections.</li> <li>• \$avg.ecov.yrs (vector), specify which years to average over the environmental covariate(s) for projections.</li> <li>• \$proj.ecov (matrix), user-specified environmental covariate(s) for projections. n.yrs x n.ecov.</li> <li>• \$cont.Mre (T/F), continue M random effects (i.e. AR1_y or 2D AR1) for projections. Default = TRUE. If FALSE, M will be averaged over \$avg.yrs (which defaults to last 5 model years).</li> <li>• \$avg.rec.yrs (vector), specify which years to calculate the CDF of recruitment for use in projections. Default = all model years. Only used when recruitment is estimated as fixed effects (SCAA).</li> <li>• \$percentFXSPR (scalar), percent of F_XSPR to use for calculating catch in projections, only used if \$use.FXSPR = TRUE. For example, GOM cod uses F = 75% F_40%SPR, so proj.opts\$percentFXSPR = 75. Default = 100.</li> <li>• \$percentFMSY (scalar), percent of F_MSY to use for calculating catch in projections, only used if \$use.FMSY = TRUE.</li> <li>• \$proj_F_opt (vector), integers specifying how to configure each year of the projection: 1: use terminal F, 2: use average F, 3: use F at X% SPR, 4:</li> </ul> |

	use specified F, 5: use specified catch, 6: use Fmsy. Overrides any of the above specifications.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>\$proj_Fcatch</code> (vector), catch or F values to use each projection year: values are not used when using Fmsy, FXSPR, terminal F or average F. Overrides any of the above specifications of <code>proj.F</code> or <code>proj.catch</code>.</li> <li>• <code>\$proj_mature</code> (matrix), user-supplied maturity values for the projection years with dimensions (n.yrs x n_ages).</li> <li>• <code>\$proj_waa</code> (3-d array), user-supplied waa values for the projection years with first and third dimensions equal to that of <code>model\$input\$data\$waa</code> (waa source x n.yrs x n_ages).</li> <li>• <code>\$proj_R_opt</code> (integer), 1: continue any RE processes for recruitment, 2: make projected recruitment consistent with average recruitment in SPR reference points and cancel any bias correction for NAA in projection years.</li> </ul>
<code>n.newton</code>	integer, number of additional Newton steps after optimization. Passed to <code>fit_tmb</code> . Default = 0 for projections.
<code>do.sdrep</code>	T/F, calculate standard deviations of model parameters? See <code>sdreport</code> . Default = TRUE.
<code>MakeADFun.silent</code>	T/F, Passed to silent argument of <code>TMB::MakeADFun</code> . Default = FALSE.
<code>save.sdrep</code>	T/F, save the full <code>TMB::sdreport</code> object? If FALSE, only save <code>summary.sdreport</code> to reduce model object file size. Default = TRUE.

## Details

WHAM implements five options for handling fishing mortality in the projections. Exactly one of these must be specified in `proj.opts`:

- Use last year F (default). Set `proj.opts$use.last.F = TRUE`. WHAM will use F in the terminal model year for projections.
- Use average F. Set `proj.opts$use.avg.F = TRUE`. WHAM will use F averaged over `proj.opts$avg.yrs` for projections (as is done for M-, maturity-, and weight-at-age).
- Use F at X% SPR. Set `proj.opts$use.FXSPR = TRUE`. WHAM will calculate F at X% SPR.
- Specify F. Provide `proj.opts$proj.F`, an F vector with length = n.yrs.
- Specify catch. Provide `proj.opts$proj.catch`, a vector of aggregate catch with length = n.yrs. WHAM will calculate F to get specified catch.

`proj.opts$avg.yrs` controls which years the following will be averaged over in the projections:

- Maturity-at-age
- Weight-at-age
- Natural mortality-at-age
- Fishing mortality-at-age (if `proj.opts$use.avgF = TRUE`)

If fitting a model with recruitment estimated freely in each year, i.e. as fixed effects as in ASAP, WHAM handles recruitment in the projection years similarly to using the empirical cumulative distribution function. WHAM does this by calculating the mean and standard deviation of  $\log(R)$

over all model years (default) or a specified subset of years (`proj.opts$avg.rec.yrs`). WHAM then treats recruitment in the projections as a random effect with this mean and SD, i.e.  $\log(R) \sim N(\text{meanlogR}, \text{sdlogR})$ .

WHAM implements four options for handling the environmental covariate(s) in the projections. Exactly one of these must be specified in `proj.opts` if `ecov` is in the model:

**(Default) Continue ecov process model (e.g. random walk, AR1)** Set `$cont.ecov = TRUE`. WHAM will estimate the ecov process in projection years (i.e. continue the random walk / AR1 process).

**Use last year ecov(s)** Set `$use.last.ecov = TRUE`. WHAM will use ecov value from the terminal year (of population model) for projections.

**Use average ecov(s)** Provide `$avg.yrs.ecov`, a vector specifying which years to average over the environmental covariate(s) for projections.

**Specify ecov** Provide `$proj.ecov`, a matrix of user-specified environmental covariate(s) to use for projections. Dimensions must be `# projection years (proj.opts$n.yrs) x # ecovs (ncols(ecov$mean))`.

If the original model fit the ecov in years beyond the population model, WHAM will use the already-fit ecov values for the projections. If the ecov model extended at least `proj.opts$n.yrs` years beyond the population model, then none of the above need be specified.

## Value

a projected WHAM model with additional output if specified:

`$rep` List of derived quantity estimates (see examples)

`$sdrep` Parameter estimates (and standard errors if `do.sdrep=TRUE`)

`$peels` Retrospective analysis (if `do.retro=TRUE`)

`$osa` One-step-ahead residuals (if `do.osa=TRUE`)

## See Also

[fit\\_wham](#), [fit\\_tmb](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
data("input4_SNEMAYT") # load SNEMA yellowtail flounder input data and model settings
mod <- fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT) # using default values (do.proj=T)
```

```
mod2 <- fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT, do.retro=F, do.osa=F, do.proj=F) # fit model without projections, retro analysis,
mod_proj <- project_wham(mod2) # add projections to previously fit model, using default values: use.lastF = TRUE, n
```

```
names(mod_proj$rep) # list of derived quantities
tail(mod_proj$rep$SSB, 3) # get 3-year projected SSB estimates (weight, not numbers)
```

```
x = summary(mod_proj$sdrep)
unique(rownames(x)) # list of estimated parameters and derived quantities with SE
x = x[rownames(x) == "log_SSB",] # SSB estimates with SE
ssb.mat = exp(cbind(x, x[,1] + qnorm(0.975)*cbind(-x[,2],x[,2])))/1000 # calculate 95% CI
```

```
colnames(ssb.mat) <- c("SSB", "SSB_se", "SSB_lower", "SSB_upper")
tail(ssb.mat, 3) # 3-year projected SSB estimates with SE and 95% CI

## End(Not run)
```

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read\_asap3\_dat                      *Read an ASAP3 .dat file into R*

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## Description

WHAM is built on ASAP ([Legault and Restrepo (1999)](<http://sedarweb.org/docs/wsupp/S12RD06%20ASAPdoc.pdf>)) and this function provides functionality to use a preexisting ASAP3 input data file. The output of `read_asap3_dat` should then be passed to `prepare_wham_input`. If you are not familiar with ASAP3 input files, see the ASAP [documentation](#) and [code](#).

## Usage

```
read_asap3_dat(filename)
```

## Arguments

`filename`                      character, name of ASAP3 .dat file. The file either needs to be in the current working directory, or `filename` can include the path.

## Value

a named list with the following components:

`dat`    Named list of input data and parameters

`comments`    Comments at top of ASAP3 .dat file (indicated by "#")

## See Also

[prepare\\_wham\\_input](#), [fit\\_wham](#), [ASAP documentation](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
asap3 = read_asap3_dat("ASAP_SNEMAYT.dat")
input = prepare_wham_input(asap3)
mod = fit_wham(input)

## End(Not run)
```

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read_asap3_fit	<i>Read ASAP3 fit</i>
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### Description

Gets output from a fit ASAP3 model for plotting with WHAM models.

### Usage

```
read_asap3_fit(wd, asap.name, pSPR = 40)
```

### Arguments

wd	character, directory where ASAP3 output files are located (ex: 'C:/MY/file/directories/model/'). 5 files are needed: .rdat, .dat, .std, .cor, and .par.
asap.name	character, base name of original .dat file (i.e. without the .dat extension)
pSPR	scalar, user-specified percent SPR to use for reference points, expressed as 100*SS-BPR(Fspr)/SSBPR(F=0). Default = 40.

### Value

a named list with the following elements:

\$years numeric vector, model years only, e.g. 1972:2020

\$years\_full numeric vector, model + proj years, e.g. 1972:2022. For ASAP this will be the same as \$years.

\$selAA list of length(n\_selblocks), first the fleet blocks then indices, i.e. if 4 fleet blocks and 3 indices, selAA[[5]] is for index 1. Each element is a matrix, years (rows) x ages (cols), selectivity at age

\$selblock\_pointer\_fleets matrix, n\_years x n\_fleets, indices of selAA used by each fleet in each year

\$selblock\_pointer\_indices matrix, n\_years x n\_indices, indices of selAA used by each index in each year

\$MAA matrix, n\_years x n\_ages, natural mortality

\$log\_SSB matrix, n\_years x 2, log-scale spawning stock biomass. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE (from .std file in ADMB).

\$log\_F matrix, n\_years x 2, log-scale fully-selected F. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE (from .std file in ADMB).

\$log\_NAA matrix, n\_years x n\_ages, numbers at age

\$NAA\_CV matrix, n\_years x n\_ages, CV of numbers at age

\$percentSPR scalar, X% SPR used to calculate reference points, default = 40

\$log\_Y\_FXSPR matrix, n\_years x 2, log-scale yield at FXSPR. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.

\$log\_FXSPR matrix, n\_years x 2, log-scale FXSPR. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.

`$log_SSB_FXSPR` matrix,  $n\_years \times 2$ , log-scale SSB at FXSPR, i.e. annual numerator of SPR(FXSPR)  
 \* Recruits. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.

`$log_rel_ssb_F_cov` list, length  $n\_years$ , each element is a 2x2 covariance matrix with SSB /  
 SSB\_FXSPR first and F / F\_FXSPR second

### See Also

[compare\\_wham\\_models](#), [read\\_wham\\_fit](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
base <- read_asap3_fit(wd=file.path(getwd(), 'asap_results'), asap.name='BASE_5C.DAT', pSPR=40)
m1 <- fit_wham(input1)
m2 <- fit_wham(input2)
mods <- list(base=base, m1=m1, m2=m2)
res <- compare_wham_models(mods)

## End(Not run)
```

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read\_wham\_fit

*Read WHAM fit*

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### Description

Gets output from a fit WHAM model for plotting with other models. Internal function, called within [compare\\_wham\\_models](#).

### Usage

```
read_wham_fit(mod, alphaCI = 0.05)
```

### Arguments

`mod` output from [fit\\_wham](#)  
`alphaCI` (1-alpha)% confidence intervals will be calculated. Default = 0.05 for 95% CI.

### Value

a named list with the following elements:

`$years` numeric vector, model years only, e.g. 1972:2020

`$years_full` numeric vector, model + proj years, e.g. 1972:2022

`$selAA` list of length( $n\_selblocks$ ), first the fleet blocks then indices, i.e. if 4 fleet blocks and 3 indices, `selAA[[5]]` is for index 1. Each element is a matrix, years (rows) x ages (cols), selectivity at age

`$selblock_pointer_fleets` matrix, years x fleets, indices of selAA used by each fleet in each year  
`$selblock_pointer_indices` matrix, years x indices, indices of selAA used by each index in each year  
`$MAA` matrix, years x ages, natural mortality  
`$log_SSB` matrix, years x 2, log-scale spawning stock biomass. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.  
`$log_F` matrix, years x 2, log-scale fully-selected F. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.  
`$log_NAA` matrix, years x ages, numbers at age  
`$NAA_CV` matrix, years x ages, CV of numbers at age  
`$percentSPR` scalar, X% SPR used to calculate reference points, default = 40  
`$log_Y_FXSPR` matrix, years x 2, log-scale yield at FXSPR. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.  
`$log_FXSPR` matrix, years x 2, log-scale FXSPR. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.  
`$log_SSB_FXSPR` matrix, years x 2, log-scale SSB at FXSPR. 1st col = MLE, 2nd col = SE.  
`$log_re1_ssb_F_cov` list, length `n_years`, each element is a 2x2 covariance matrix with SSB/SSB\_FXSPR first and F/F\_FXSPR second

### See Also

[fit\\_wham](#), [read\\_asap3\\_fit](#), [compare\\_wham\\_models](#)

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retro

*Run retrospective analysis*

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### Description

Internal function called by [fit\\_wham](#). Calls [fit\\_peel](#) to fit the model peeling off 1, 2, ..., `n.peels` years of data.

### Usage

```
retro(
  model,
  n.peels = 7,
  ran = "log_NAA",
  do.sdrep = FALSE,
  n.newton = 0,
  MakeADFun.silent = FALSE,
  retro.silent = FALSE,
  save.input = FALSE
)
```



**Arguments**

model	Optimized TMB model, output from <a href="#">fit_tmb</a> .
n.peels	Integer, number of peels to use in retrospective analysis. Default = 7.
ran	Character, specifies which parameters to treat as random effects. Default = "log_NAA".
do.sdrep	T/F, calculate standard deviations of model parameters for each peel? Default = FALSE.
n.newton	integer, number of additional Newton steps after optimization for each peel. Default = 0.
MakeADFun.silent	T/F, Passed to silent argument of <code>TMB::MakeADFun</code> . Default = FALSE.
retro.silent	T/F, Passed to argument of internal <code>fit_peel</code> function. Determines whether peel number is printed to screen. Default = FALSE.
save.input	T/F, should modified input list be saved for every peel? Necessary to project from a peel but increases model object size. Default = FALSE.

**Value**

peels, a list of length `n.peels`, where entry  $i$  is a model fit by peeling off  $i$  years of data.

**See Also**

[fit\\_wham](#), [fit\\_peel](#)

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retro\_res

*Extract retrospective results for plotting*

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**Description**

Extract retrospective results for plotting

**Usage**

```
retro_res(model)
```

**Arguments**

model	A fit WHAM model, output from <a href="#">fit_wham</a> with <code>do.retro = TRUE</code> .
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**Value**

a named list with the components:

SSB Spawning stock biomass

Fbar Fishing mortality

NAA Numbers-at-age

**See Also**

[fit\\_wham](#), [retro](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
data("input4_SNEMAYT") # load SNEMA yellowtail flounder data and parameter settings
mod = fit_wham(input4_SNEMAYT) # using default values: do.retro = T, n.peels = 7
x = retro_res(mod) # get retrospective results

## End(Not run)
```

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set\_age\_sel0

*Make one or more selectivity blocks with age-specific parameters*

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**Description**

Make one or more selectivity blocks with age-specific parameters

**Usage**

```
set_age_sel0(input, selblocks)
```

**Arguments**

input	list containing data and parameters (output from <a href="#">prepare_wham_input</a> )
selblocks	numeric, number of age-specific selectivity blocks

**Value**

a modified list of data and parameters

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
asap3 = read_asap3_dat("ASAP_SNEMAYT.dat")
input = prepare_wham_input(asap3)
input = set_age_sel0(input, selblocks = 1:3)
mod = fit_wham(input)

## End(Not run)
```

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wham_html	<i>Create HTML file to view output plots in browser</i>
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**Description**

Writes a set of HTML files with tabbed navigation between them. Called by `plot_wham_output` if `'out.type = 'html''` (default). Opens main file in default browser. Modified from [`'r4ss::SS_html'`](https://github.com/r4ss/r4ss)

**Usage**

```
wham_html(dir.main = NULL, title = "WHAM Output", width = 500, openfile = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>dir.main</code>	directory to save html file ( <code>plot_wham_output</code> makes <code>'png'</code> plot files in a <code>'plots_png'</code> subdirectory of <code>'dir.main'</code> ).
<code>title</code>	Title for HTML page.
<code>width</code>	Width of plots (in pixels).
<code>openfile</code>	Automatically open index.html in default browser?

**See Also**

`plot_wham_output`, `'r4ss::SS_html()'`

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<code>%&gt;%</code>	<i>Pipe function</i>
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**Description**

Allows use of the pipe function, `%>%`

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