## Estimation of predator-prey mass ratios using stable isotopes: sources of errors

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## Methods

All code for simulations is available at github.com/baumlab/ppmr-isotopes

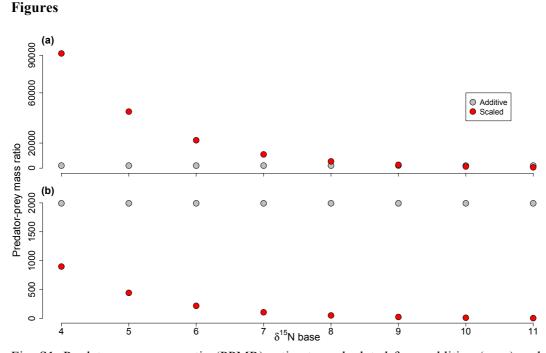


Fig. S1. Predator prey mass ratio (PPMR) estimates calculated from additive (grey) and scaled (red) estimates of trophic level across a range of  $\delta^{15}N_{base}$  (4-11‰). (a) PPMR estimates for a low  $\delta^{15}N$  community (initial  $\delta^{15}N$  similar to  $\delta^{15}N_{base}$ ). (b) PPMR estimates for a high  $\delta^{15}N$  community (initial  $\delta^{15}N$  6 above  $\delta^{15}N_{base}$ ). Note the different scales on the y-axes. In both sample types, PPMR is approximately 2000 under the additive approach

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Fig. S2. Predator prey mass ratio (PPMR) estimates calculated from additive (grey) and scaled (red) estimates of trophic level across a range of  $\delta^{15}N_{base}$  (4-11‰). (a) PPMR estimates for a low  $\delta^{15}N$  community (initial  $\delta^{15}N$  similar to  $\delta^{15}N_{base}$ ). (b) PPMR estimates for a high  $\delta^{15}N$  community (initial  $\delta^{15}N$  6 above  $\delta^{15}N_{base}$ ). Note the different scales on the y-axes. In both sample types, PPMR is approximately 100 under the additive approach

