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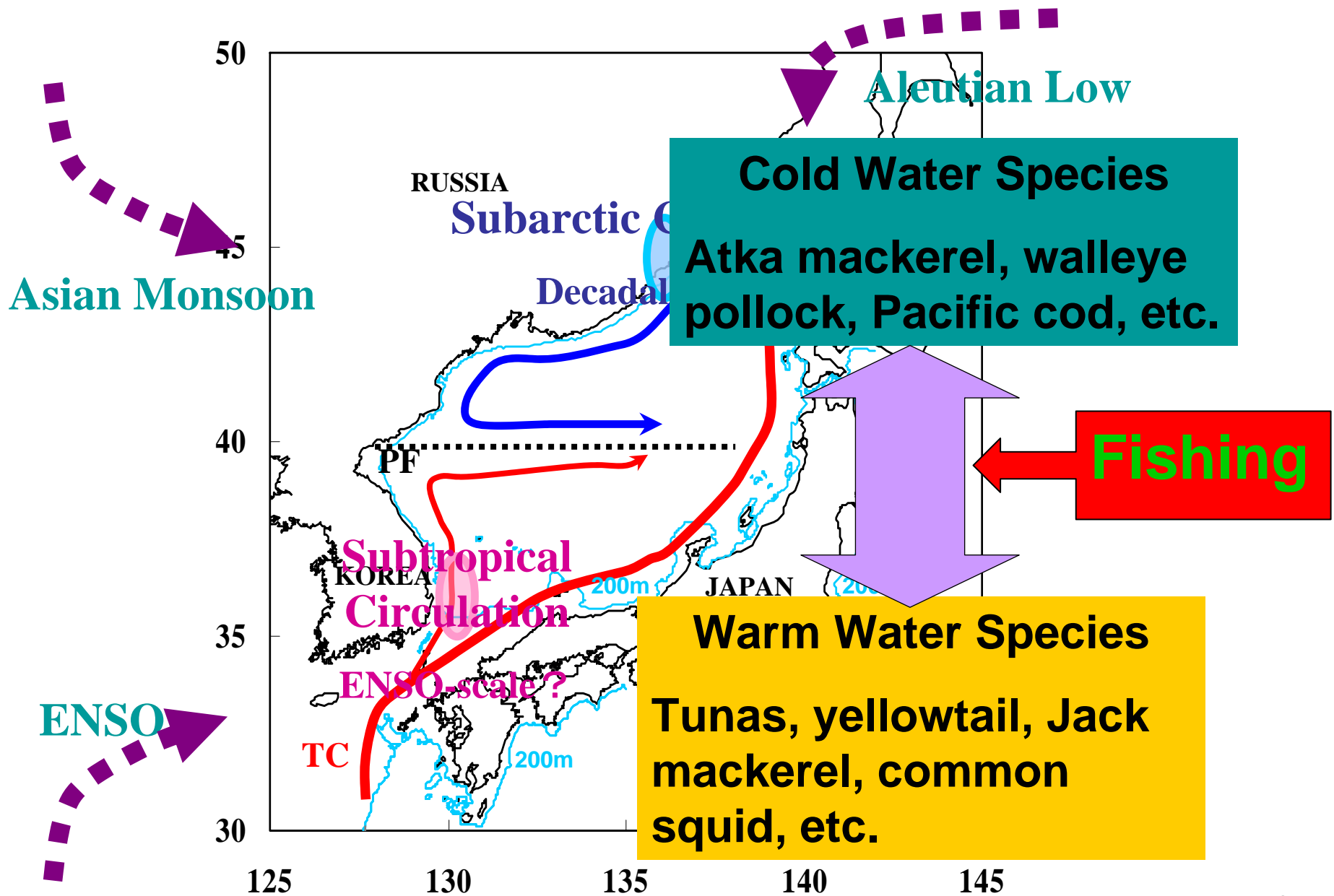
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Interannual-decadal variability of demersal fish community in the Japan Sea: Impacts of climate regime shifts and trawl fishing with recommendations for ecosystem-based management

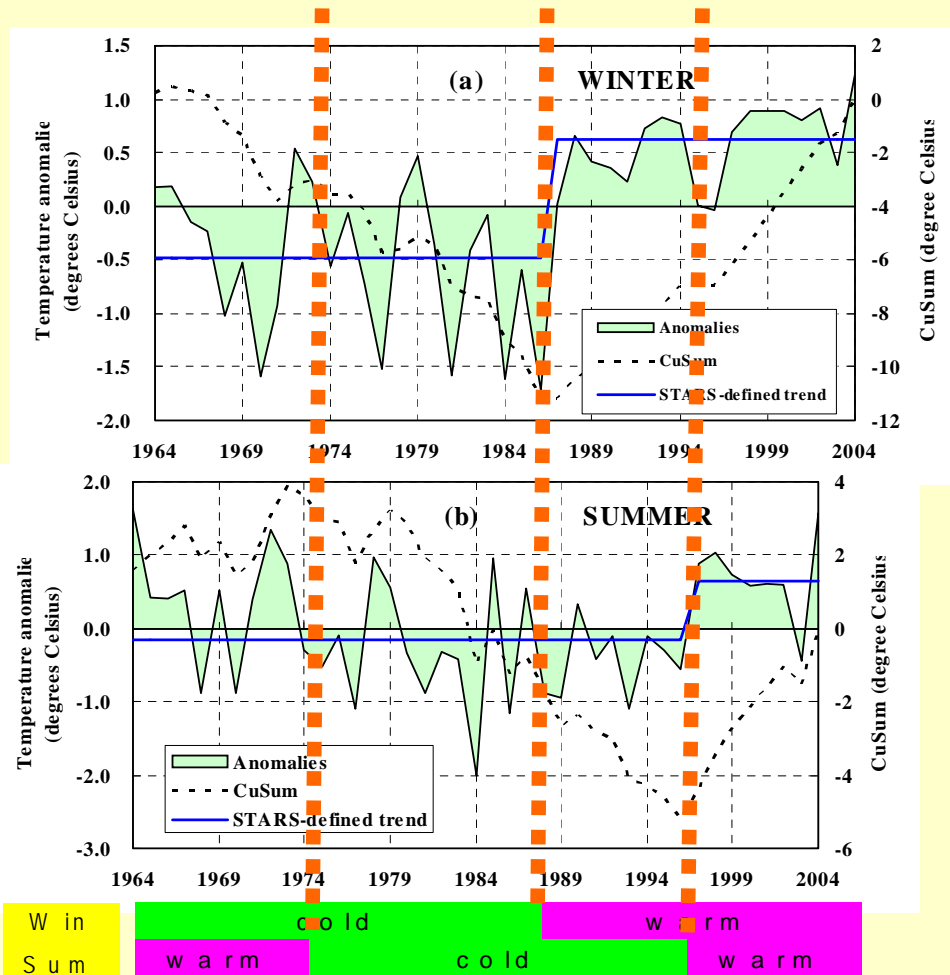
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Outline of This Study

1. Backgrounds: the late 1980s regime shift in TWC
2. Objectives, data and methods
3. Variation patterns in demersal fish community: analysis of two trawl fisheries data sets in TWC
4. Impacts of regime shift and fishing
5. Conclusions



Water temperature at 50m: indicator of Tsushima Warm Current (TWC)



**Winter WT: regime
shift around
1986/87**

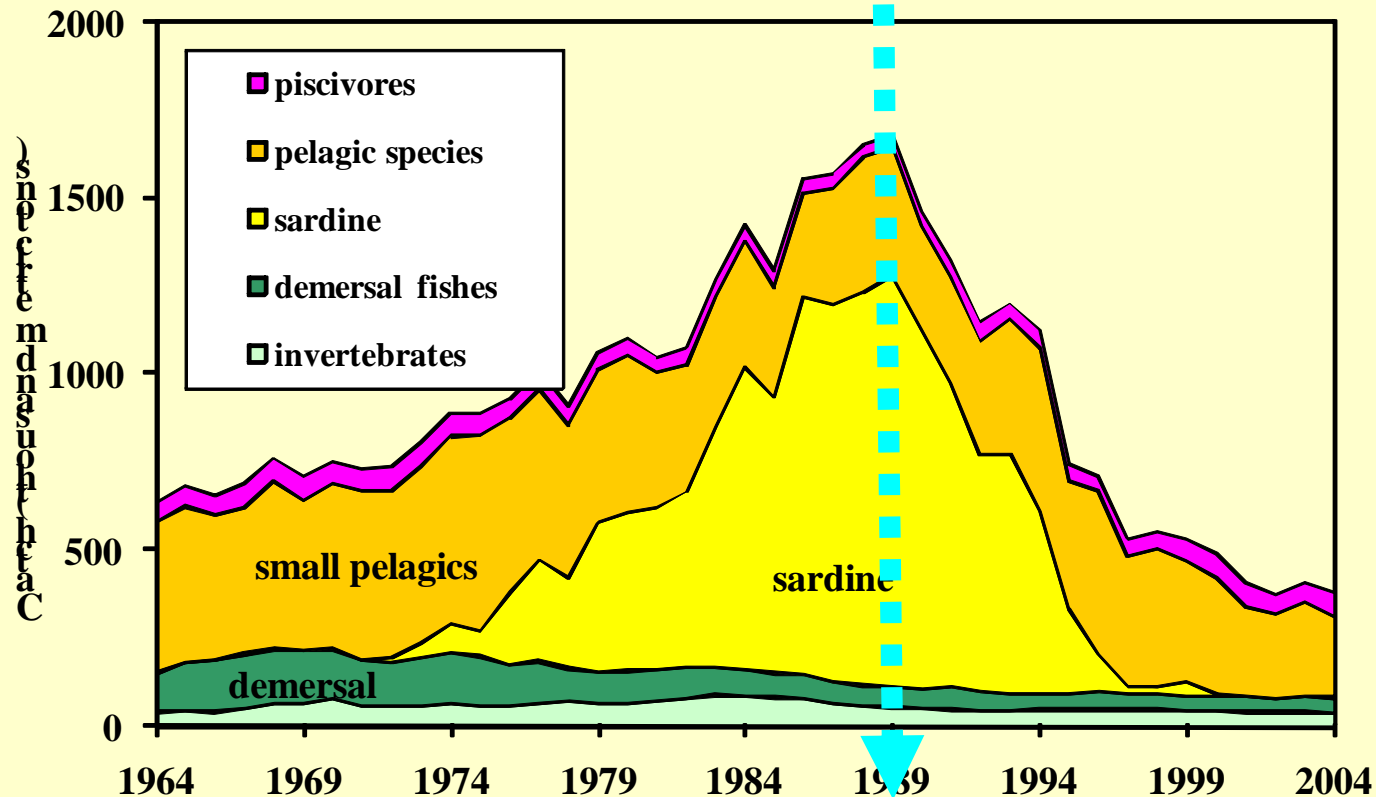
Summer WT:

**step change
around mid-1990s**

**Winter and summer
variation pattern
are different**

Catch Trend in the Japan Sea during 1964-2004

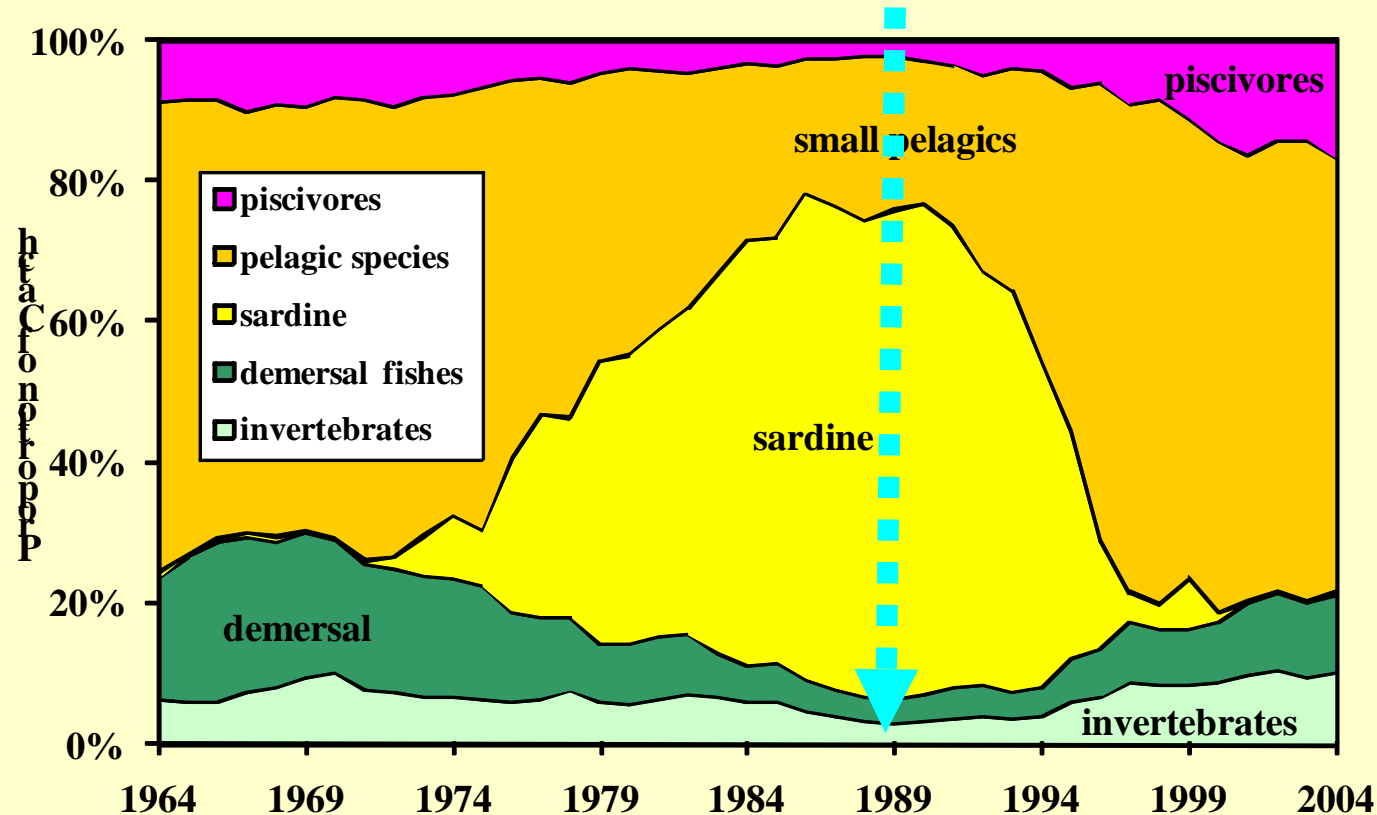
(Fisheries statistics: 54 species by trophic group)



These 54 species accounted for 91% of total catch in the Japan Sea.

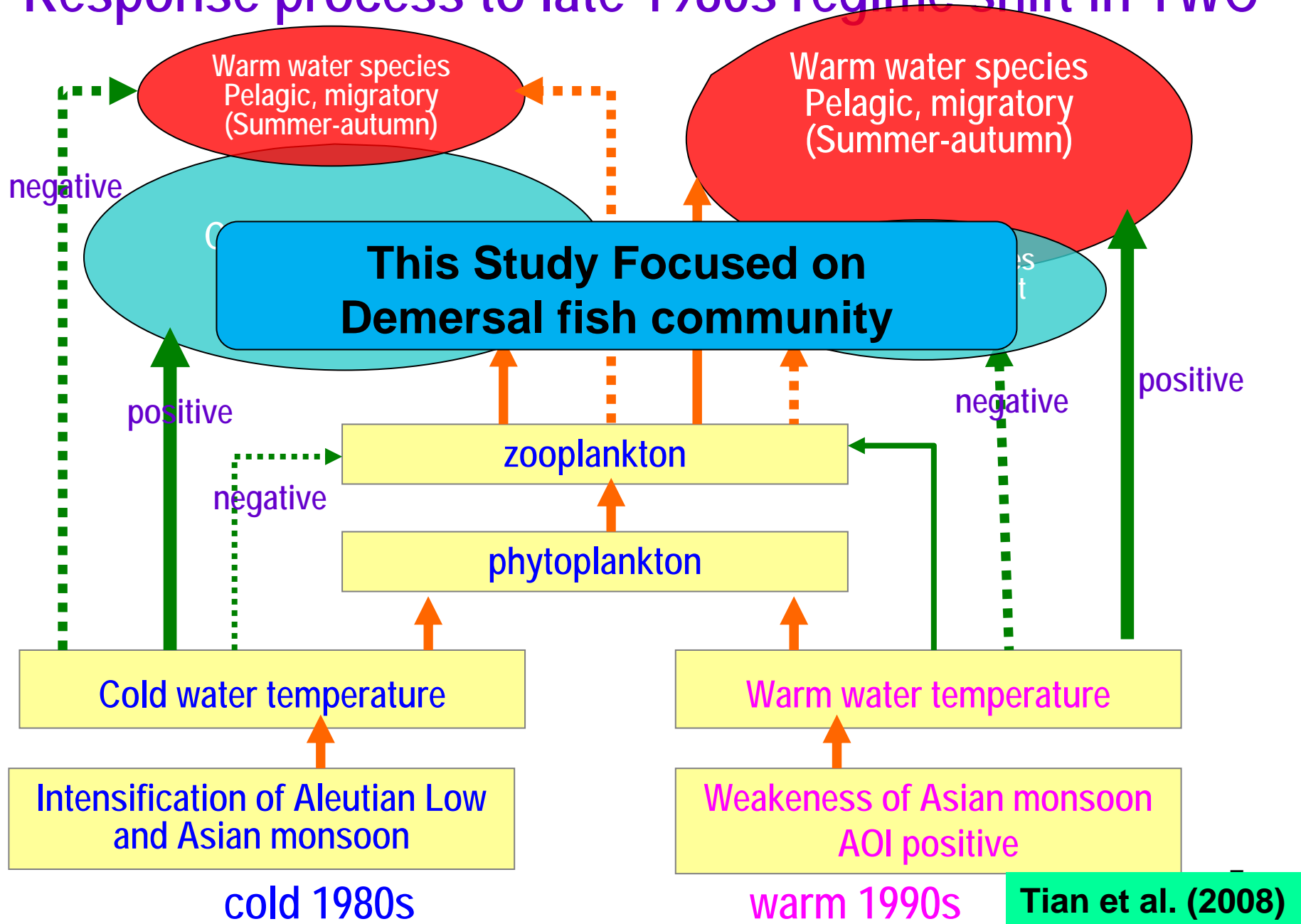
The small pelagic group (zooplanktivores) is dominant with large inter-annual variations, decreased abruptly since late 1980s with the collapse of sardine.

Changes in proportion of total catch by group



Proportion of large fishes (piscivores) and demersal species (fishes and invertebrates) increased largely since the late 1980s; whereas the small pelagic group (zooplanktivores) decreased with the collapse of sardine.

Response process to late 1980s regime shift in TWC



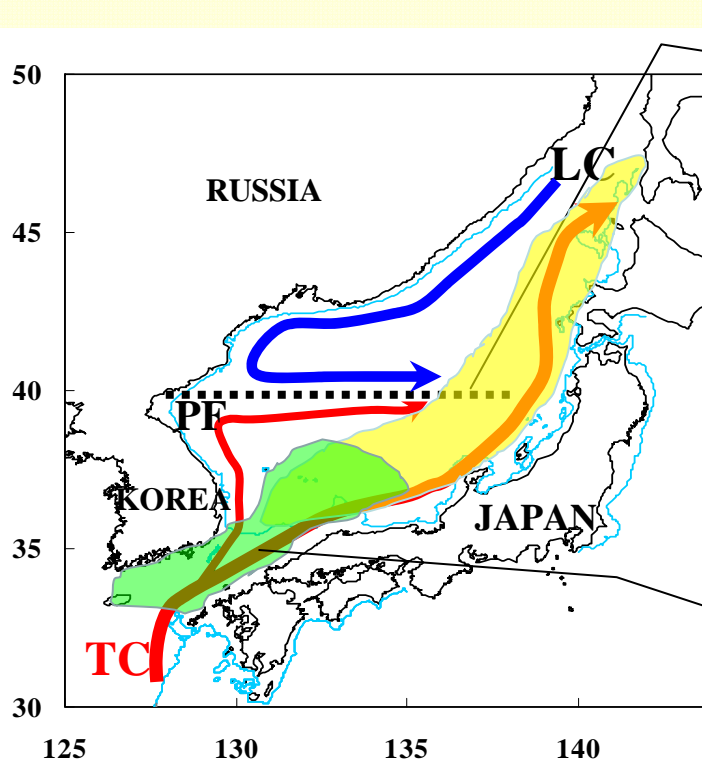
OBJECTIVES

1. To identify the variability of demersal fish assemblages in the Japan Sea
2. To understand the function and structure of the demersal fish community toward ecosystem-based fisheries management
3. To assess the impact of trawl fishing on the variability of demersal fish assemblages⁸

Data and Method

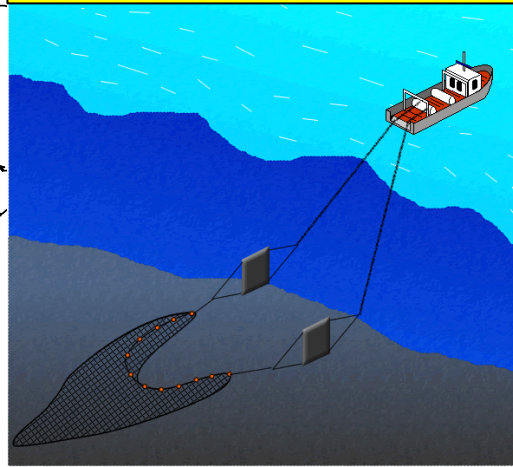
1. Two bottom trawl data sets in Japan Sea
Single –trawler: 1974-2004: 27 target species
Pair –trawler: 1975-2005: 11 target species
catch, effort
2. 50m depth WT time series: 1964-2006
3. Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
4. Regime shift detection: STARS method
by Rodionov (2004)

Two Trawl fisheries in the Japan Sea



Fishing grounds, method and target species are different between the two fisheries.

Single Trawler

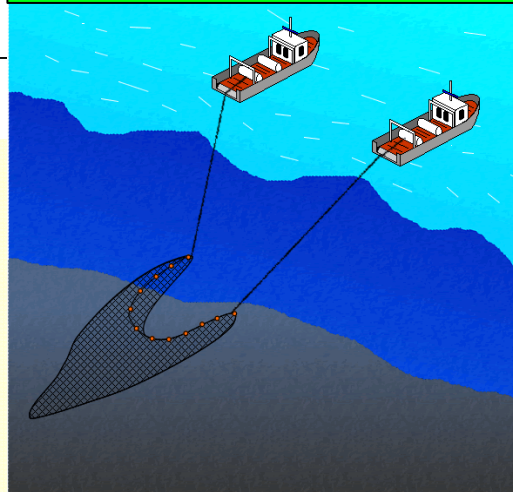


Deep offshore

Cold- and warm water species

Atka mackerel, walleye pollock, Pacific cod, tanner crab, pink shrimp, etc.

Pair Trawler



Continental shelf

Mostly Warm Water Species

Seabream, flounder, largehead hairtail, Loligo squids, etc.

Single-trawler : 27 Target species

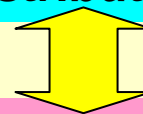
No	Japanese Name	Scientific Name	English Name	Depth (m)	Life span (years)	Current
1	マダラ	<i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>	Pacific cod	200-300	>12	CW
2	スケトウダラ	<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i>	Walleye pollock	100-500	>11	CW
3	ホッケ	<i>Pleurogrammus azonus</i>	Arabesque greenling	<200	>8	CW
4	ハタハタ	<i>Arctoscopus japonicus</i>	Japanese sandfish	300-500	5	CW
5	サメ・エイ ヲブ	<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Piked dogfish	150-180	>10	CW
6	ハツメ	<i>Esbastes owstoni</i>	Owenton's rockfish	190-300	>10	CW
7	ヒレグロ	<i>Glyptocephalus stelleri</i>	witch flounder	200-300	>12	CW
8	アカガレイ	<i>Hippoglossoides dubius</i>	flathead flounder	150-500	>10	CW
9	マガレイ	<i>Pleuronectes herzensteini</i>	brown sole	30-130	>10	CW
10	その他のカレイ	<i>Pleuronectidae</i>	other righteye flounder			CW
11	ホッコクアカエビ	<i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Pink shrimp	200-600	11	CW
12	ズワイガニ	<i>Chionoecetes opilio</i>	Tanner crab	200-500	>10	CW
13	ソウハチ	<i>Hippoglossoides pinetorum</i>	pointhead flounder	150-190	8	WW
14	ムシガレイ	<i>Eopsetta grigorjewi</i>	shotted halibut	<140	>10	WW
15	ヤナギムシガレイ	<i>Tanakius kitaharai</i>	willowly flounder	80-150	>10	WW
16	ニギス	<i>Glossanodon semifasciatus</i>	Deepsea smelt	<200	5	WW
17	ヒラメ	<i>Paralichthys olivaceus</i>	bastard halibut	<150	>10	WW
18	マダイ	<i>Pagrus major</i>	Silver seabream	<100	>10	WW
19	チダイ	<i>Eynniss japonica</i>	crimson seabream	30-130	>6	WW
20	キダイ	<i>Dentex tumifrons</i>	deepsea snapper	<200	>8	WW
21	エソ	<i>Synodontidae</i>	Lizardfish	<120	<4	WW
22	グチ (シログチ)	<i>Sciaenidae (Argyrosomus a</i>	Croaker	20-120	6?	WW
23	カナガシラ	<i>Lepidotrigla micropetera</i>	redwing searobin	70-140	6	WW
24	タチウオ	<i>Trichiurus japonicus</i>	Largehead hairtail	20-140	8	WW
25	アカムツ	<i>Doederleinia berycoides</i>	blackthroat seaperch	80-150	10 (Female)	WW
26	イカ類		Squids	<200	<2	WW
27	タコ類		Octopus	<200		WW
Total 27 speices items						

12 cold water species:

Deep water

Long-lived

Northern distribution



15 warm water species:

Coastal and continental shelf

Short-lived

Southern distribution

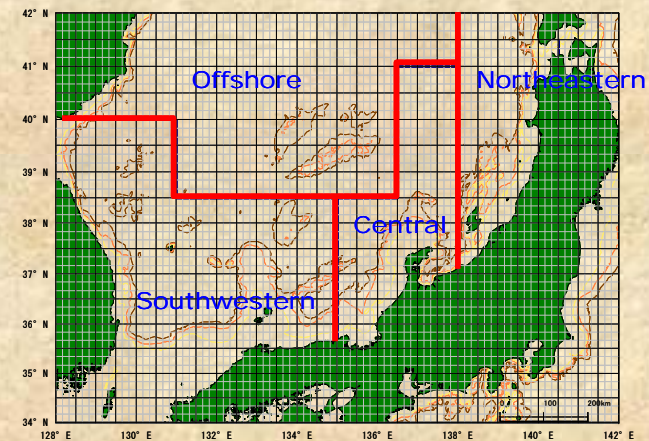
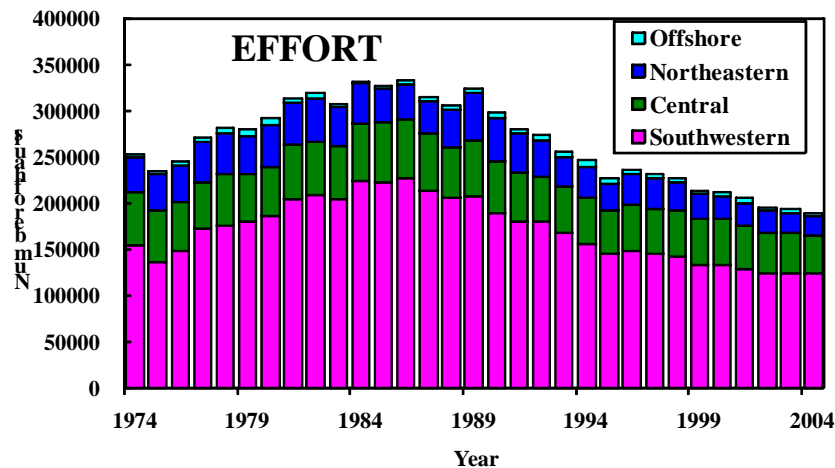
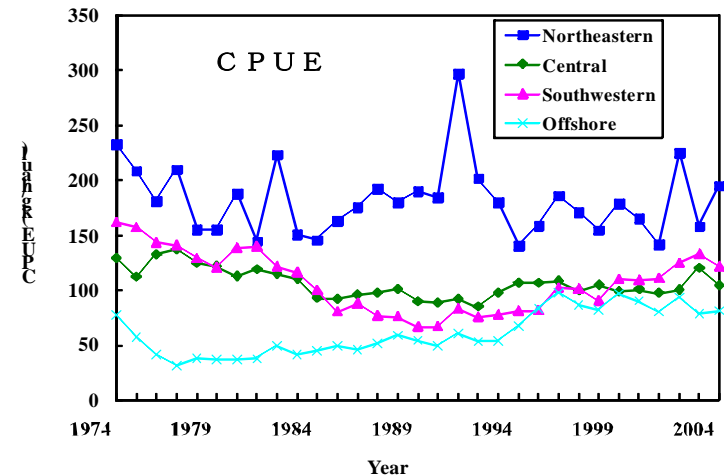
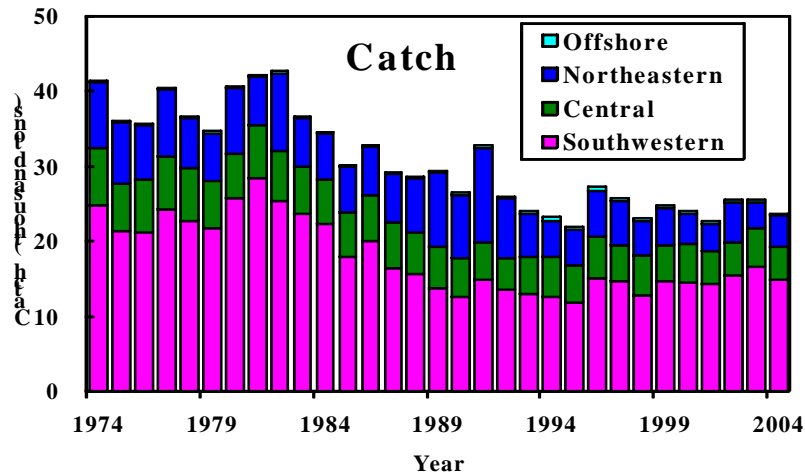
CW: Cold Water
深海冷水性種

WW: Warm Water
浅海暖水性種

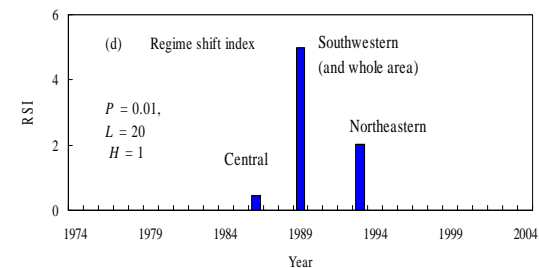
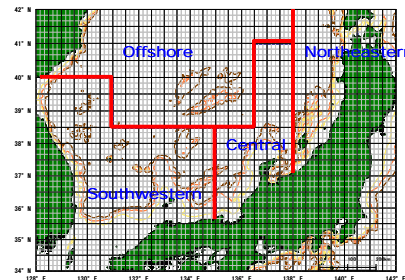
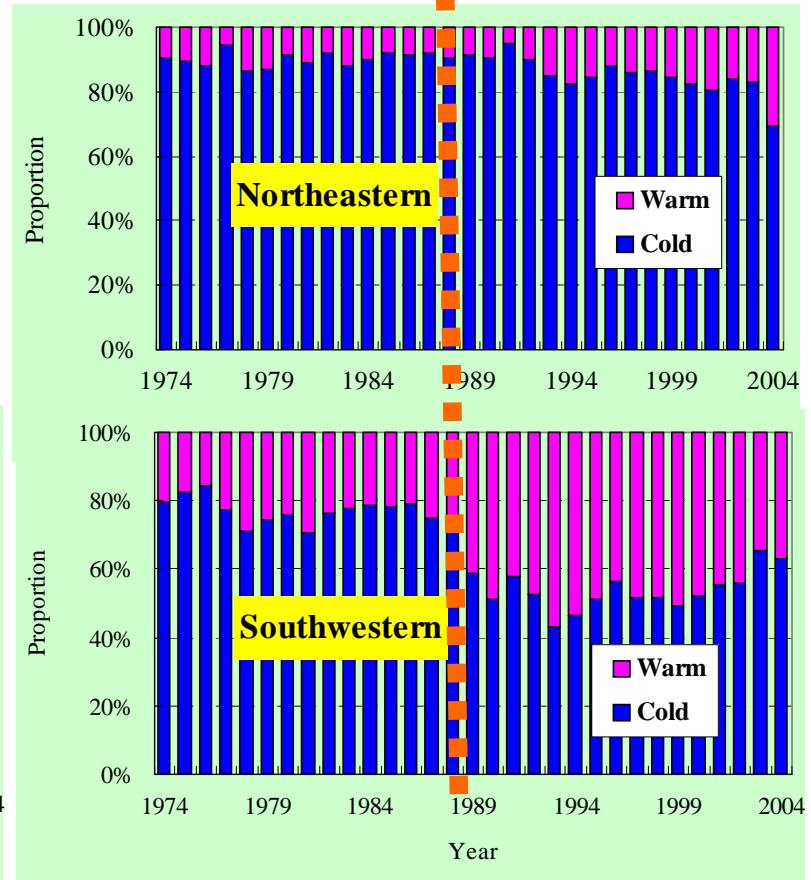
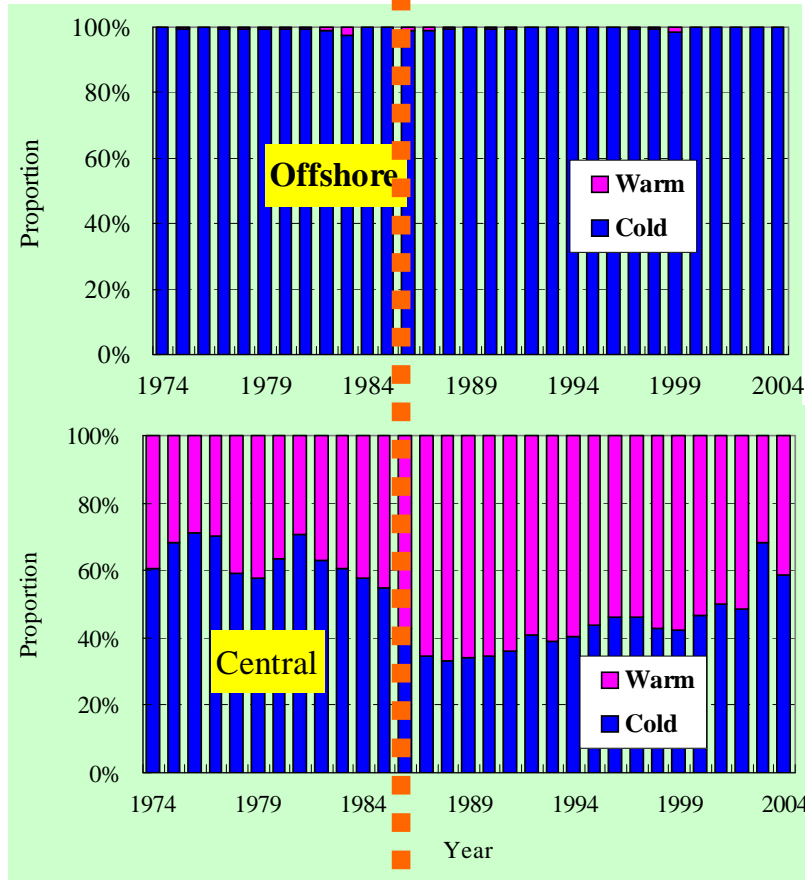
Nishimura (1969)

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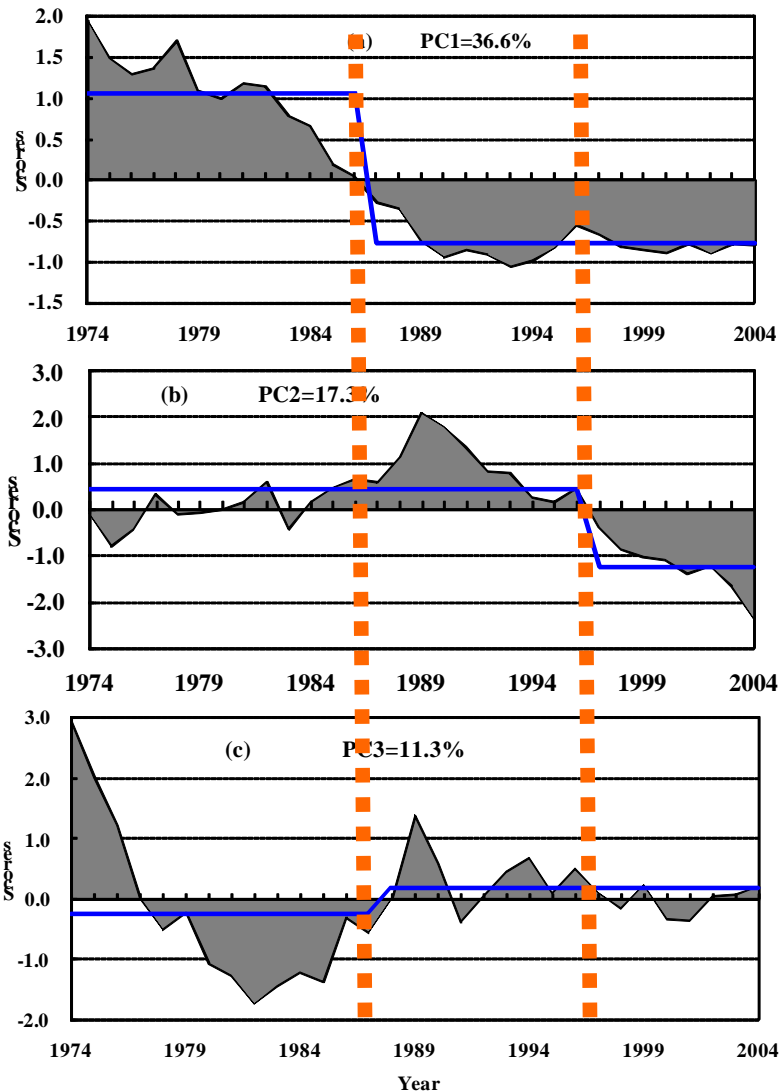
Single-trawler : Catch, effort and CPUE



Single trawler: Changes in compositions



PCAs for target species of single-trawler: 1974-2004

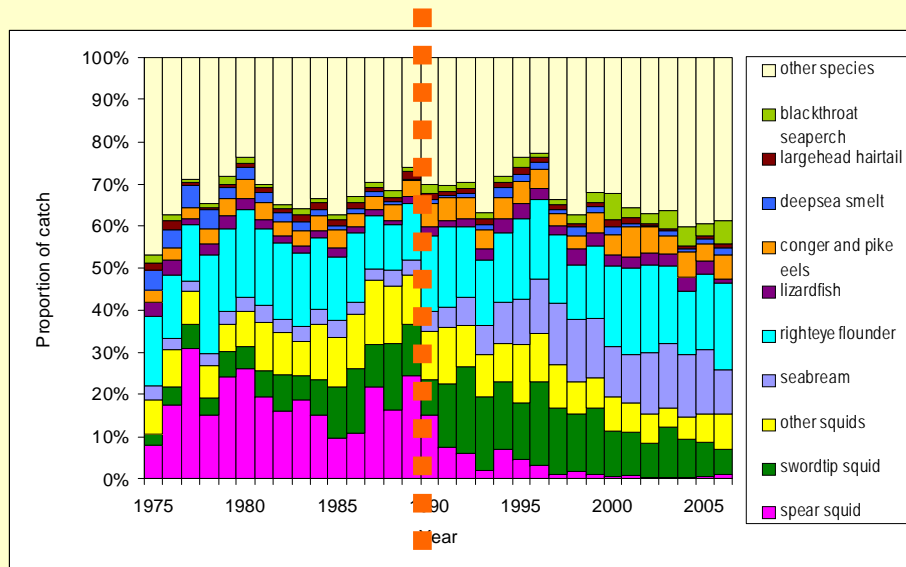


PC1-3: 65% of total variance

Step changes occurred in PC1 around late 1980s, and in PC2 in mid-1990s.

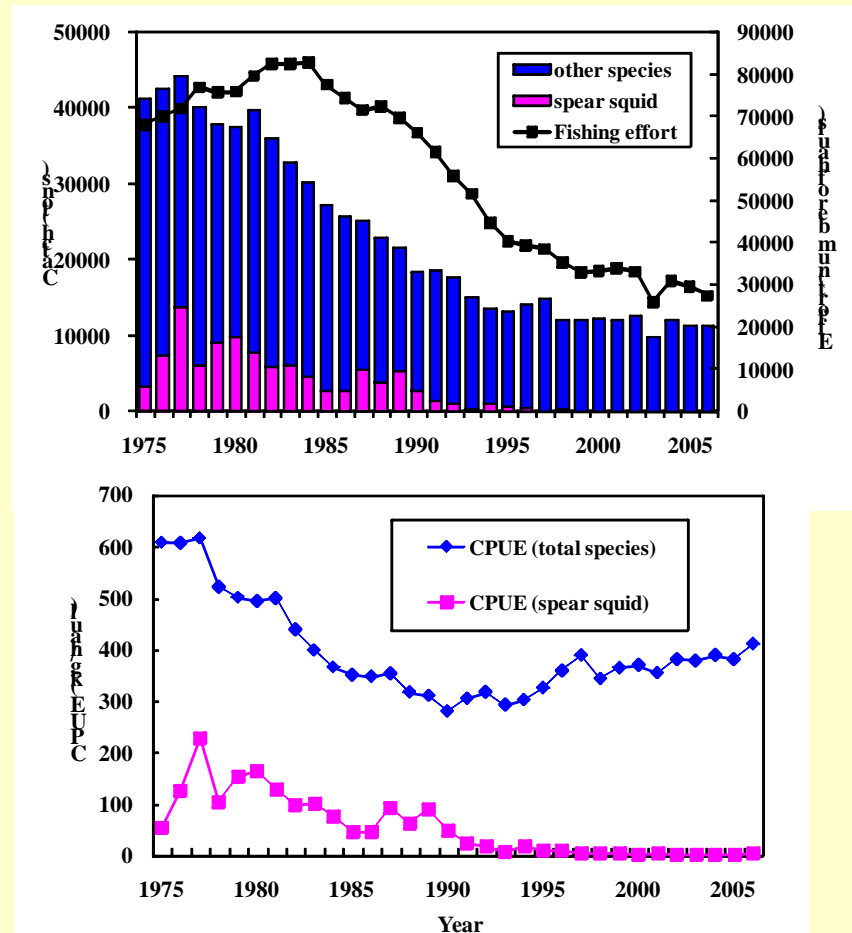
PC1 and PC2 corresponded well to winter and summer WT, respectively

Pair-trawler: Target species, catch, effort and CPUE during 1975-2006

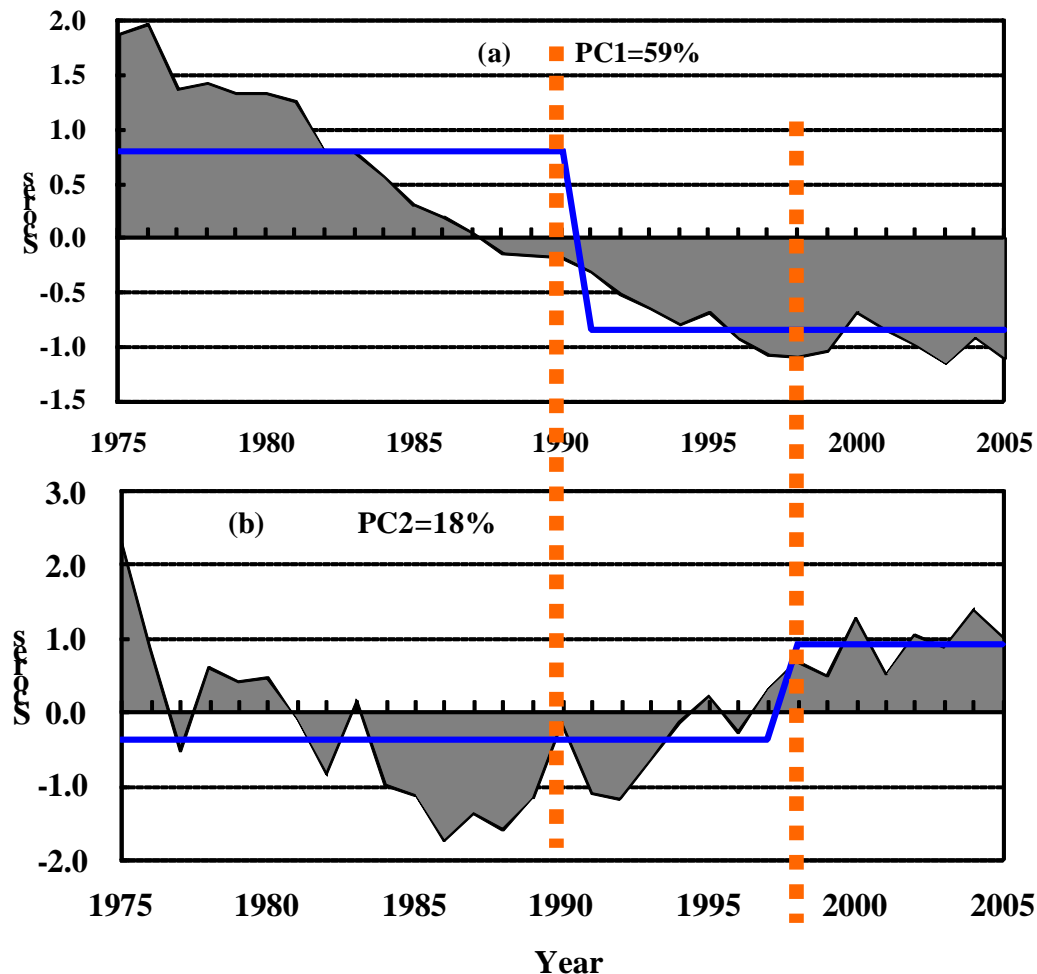


11 Target Species (Taxa)

Loligo squid, Seabream, flounders, largehead hairtail, etc



PCAs for target species of pair-trawler: 1975-2005



PC1-2: 67% of
total variance

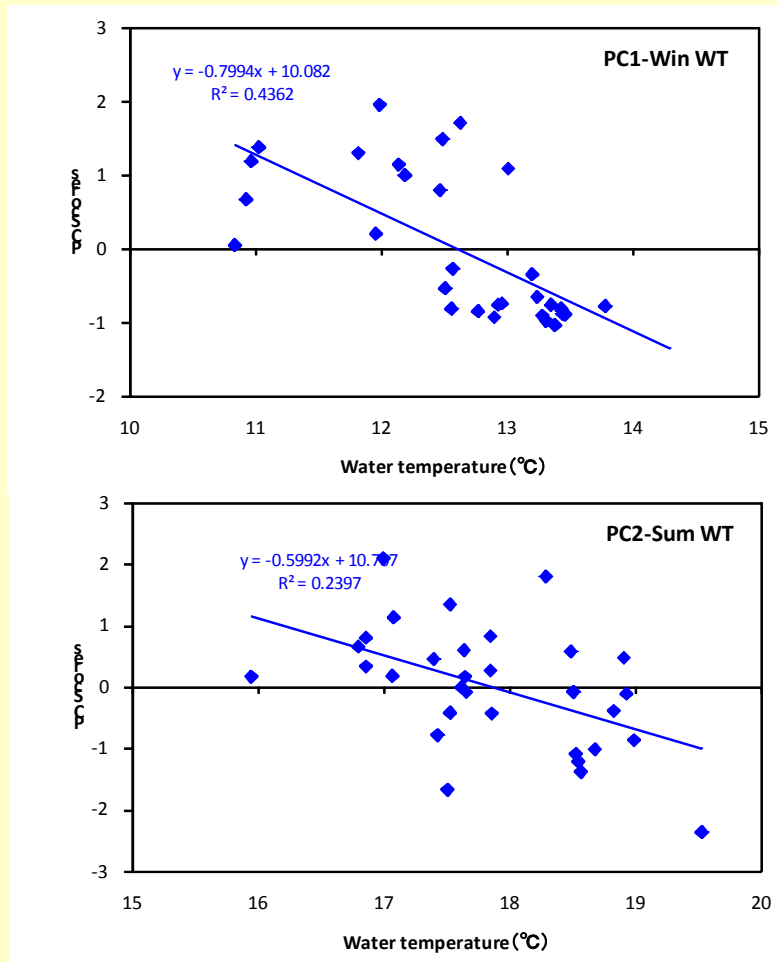
PC1 (PC2):
changed
around late
1980s (**mid-
1990s**)

PC1 and PC2 corresponded
well to winter and summer
WT, respectively

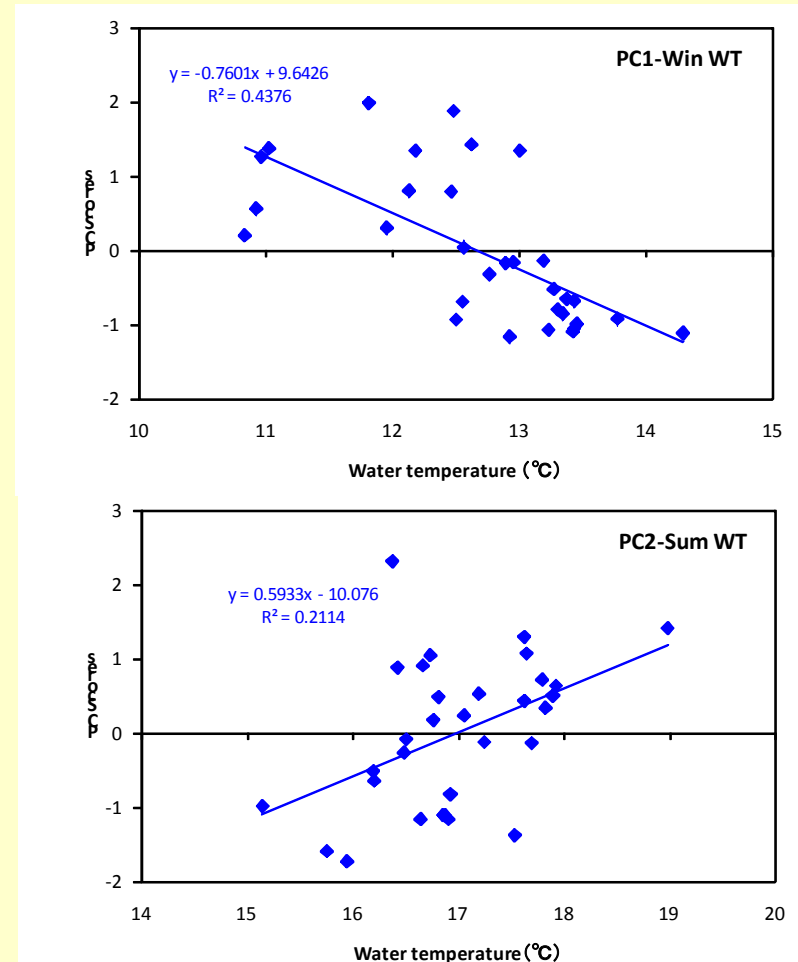
Response of PCs to Water temperature

Single Trawler

Pair Trawler



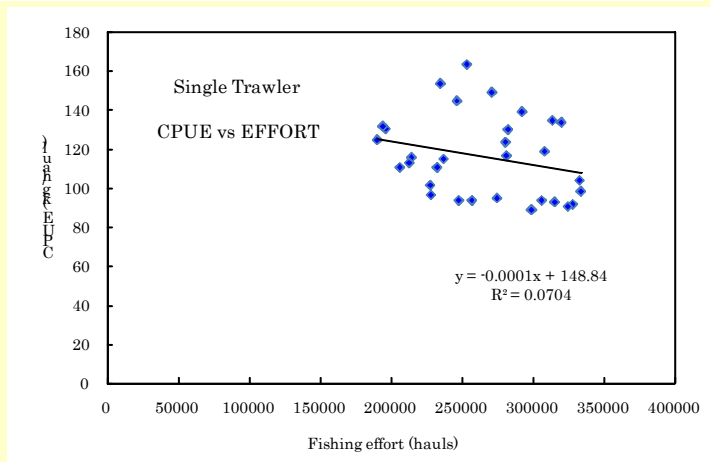
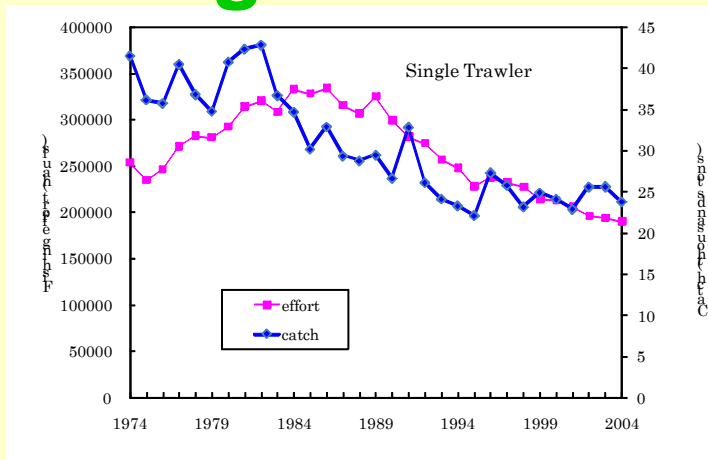
PC1- Winter WT



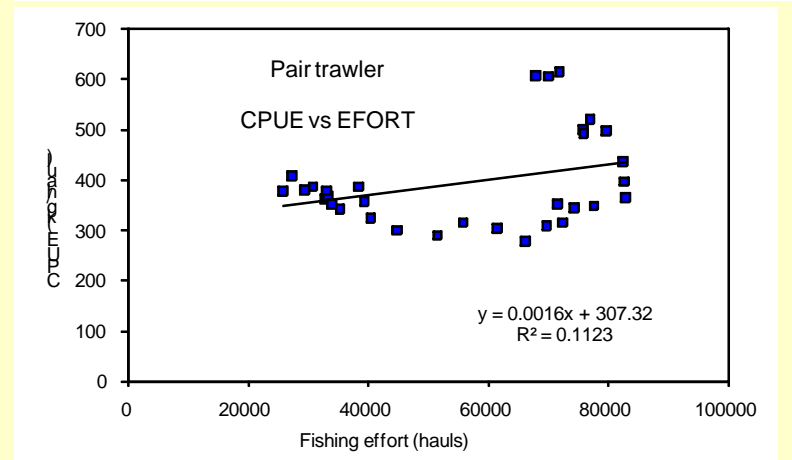
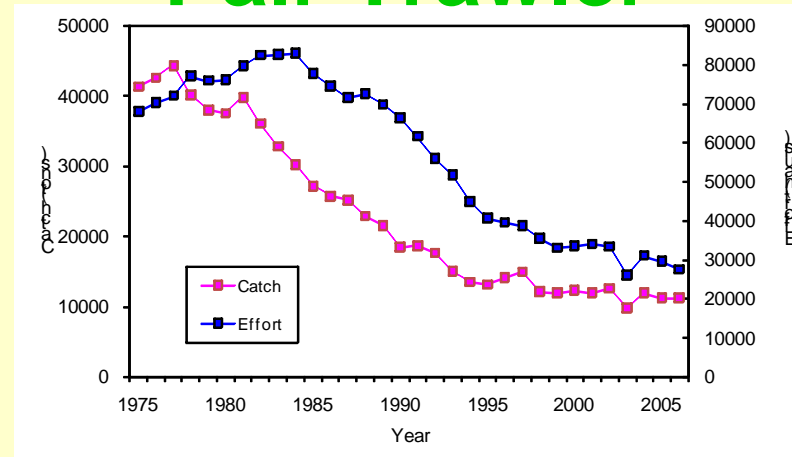
PC2- Summer WT

Impacts of fishing ?

Single Trawler



Pair Trawler

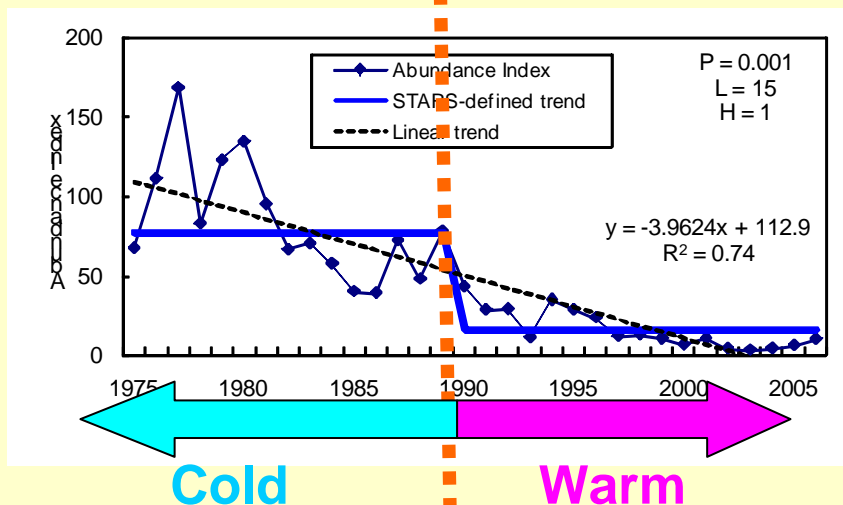


Impacts of fishing for whole target species
seemed not obvious, **but...**

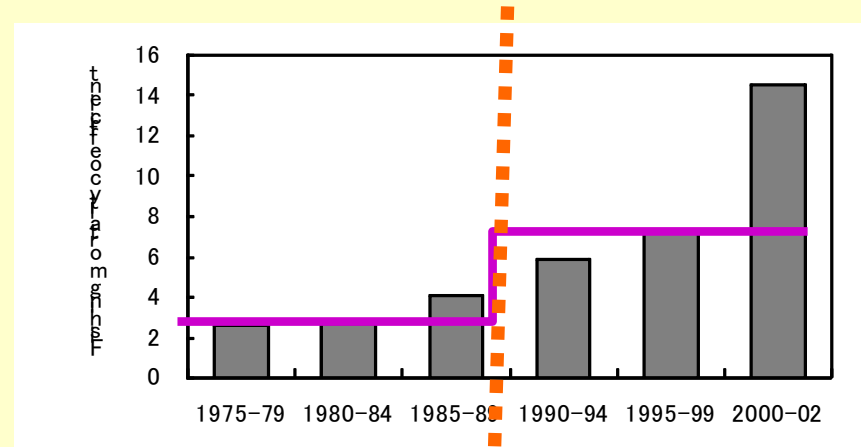
Impacts of fishing:

spear squid: a main target of pair-trawler

Abundance index (same trend as catch and CPUE) changed around 1990.



Estimated Fishing Mortality by DeLury Model



Fishing mortality increased during warm-regime, accelerated the collapse of spear squid stock.

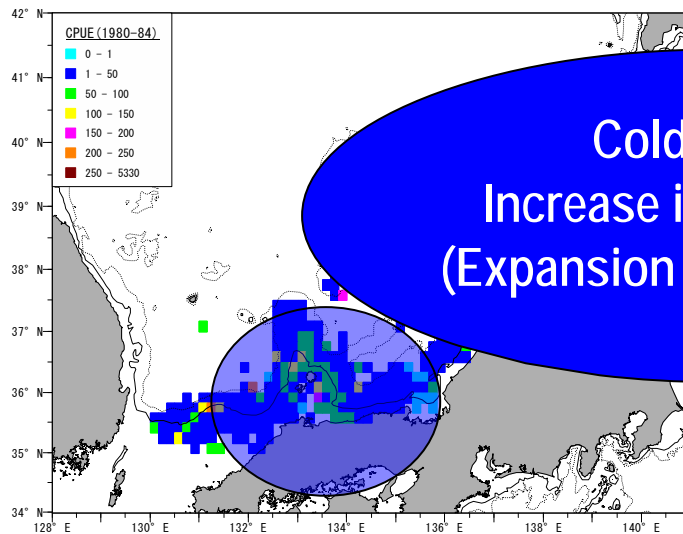
Single Trawler: two main target species

Walleye pollock

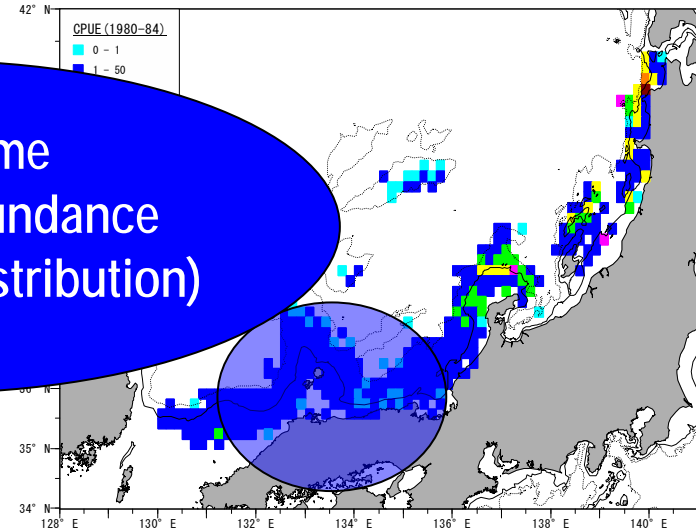
Cold water species

Pacific cod

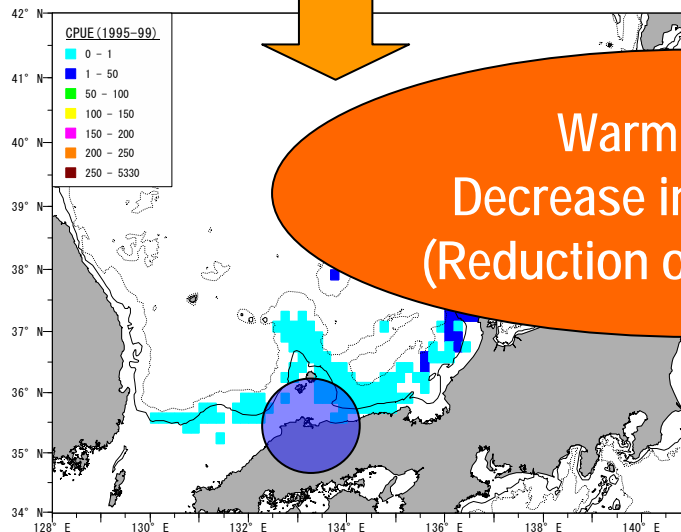
1980s
cold



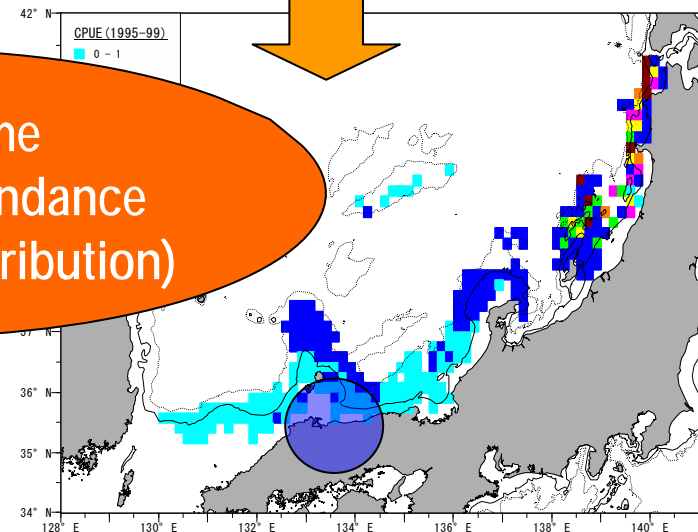
Cold regime
Increase in abundance
(Expansion of distribution)



1990s
warm



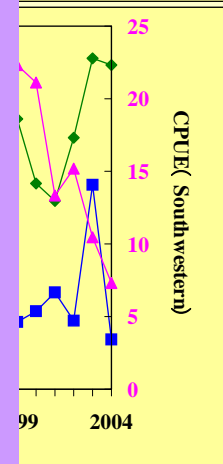
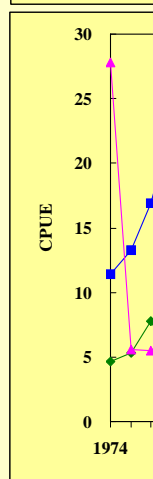
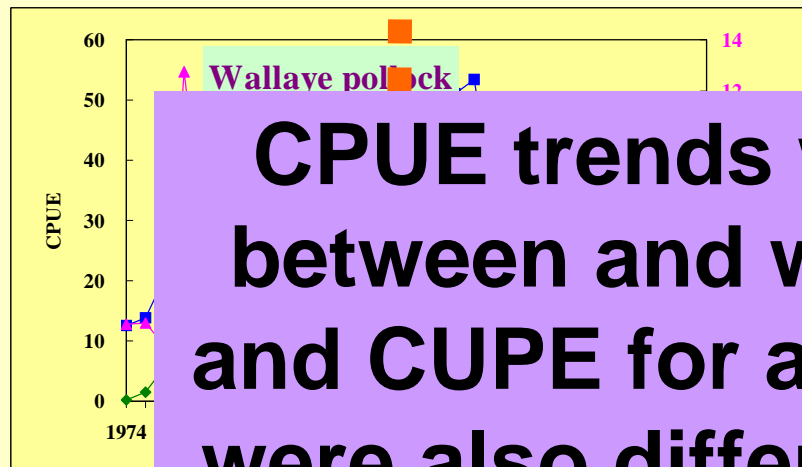
Warm regime
Decrease in abundance
(Reduction of distribution)



Single Trawler: CPUE for 4 indicator species

Cold water species

Warm water species



CPUE trends were different between and within species; and CUPE for a single species were also different by thermal regimes and region:

indicating different impact of fishing. It is necessary to assess the impact of fishing for each species.

CONCLUSIONS (1)

- Similar variation patterns were identified in the single- and pair-trawler target species from PCA, indicating decadal variability in the demersal fish community.
- Step change occurred in the late 1980s resulted from the oceanic regime shift.
- PC1-2 are well corresponded to **winter** and **summer** WT in interannul-decadal scales, suggesting that variations in demersal fish community are largely forced by WT in TWC.

CONCLUSIONS (2)

- Composition of target species of trawl fisheries changed; Response patterns are different between cold- and warm-water species to climatic regime shift.
- The impact of fishing was largely different by thermal regime, region and species: necessary to assess impact of fishing for each species.
- Fisheries assessment should take into account the impacts of regime shift and fishing, addition to changes in compositions of target species and different response pattern to regime shift.