



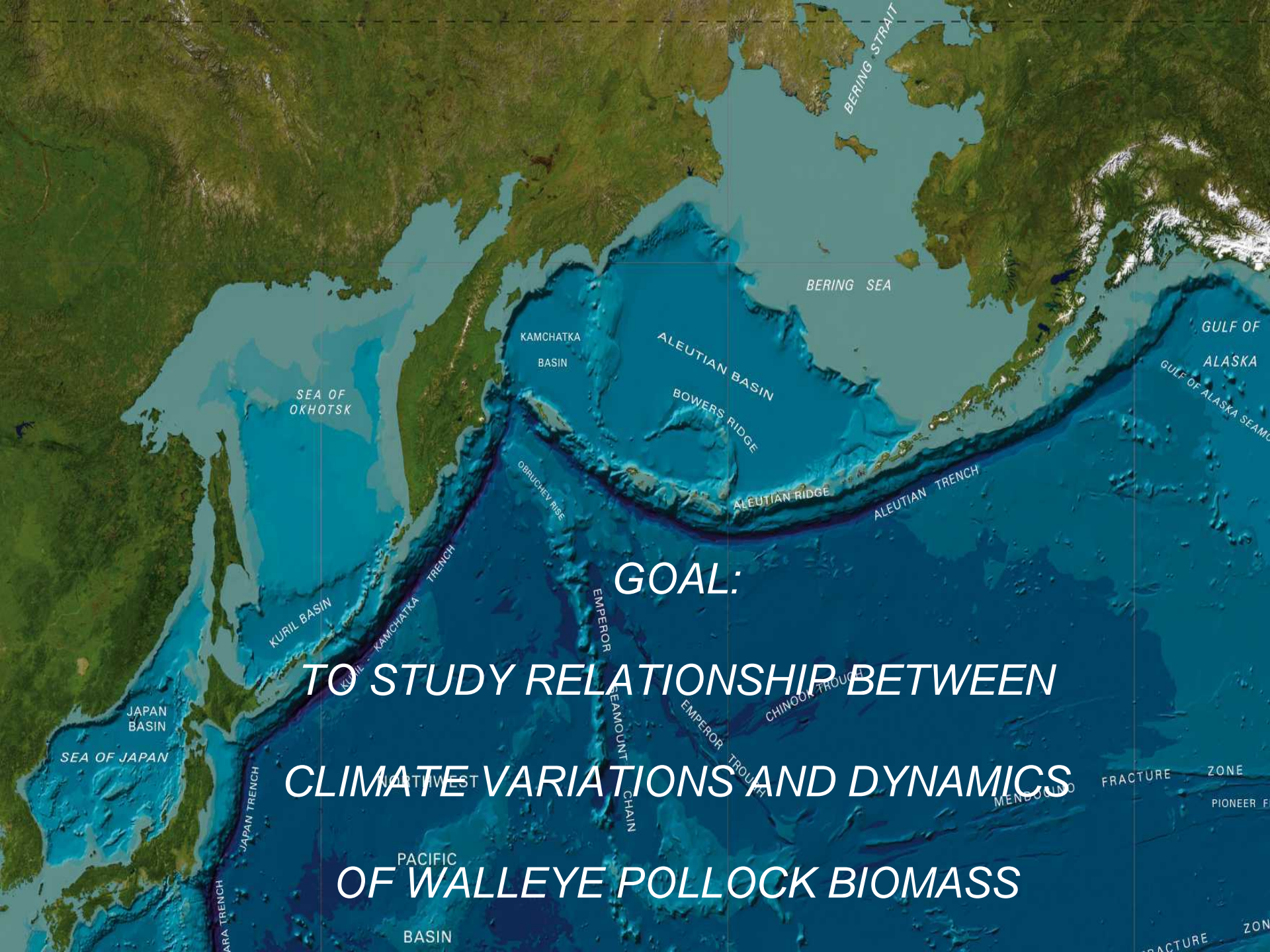
# ***CLIMATE FLUCTUATIONS AND WALLEYE POLLOCK BIOMASS DYNAMICS***

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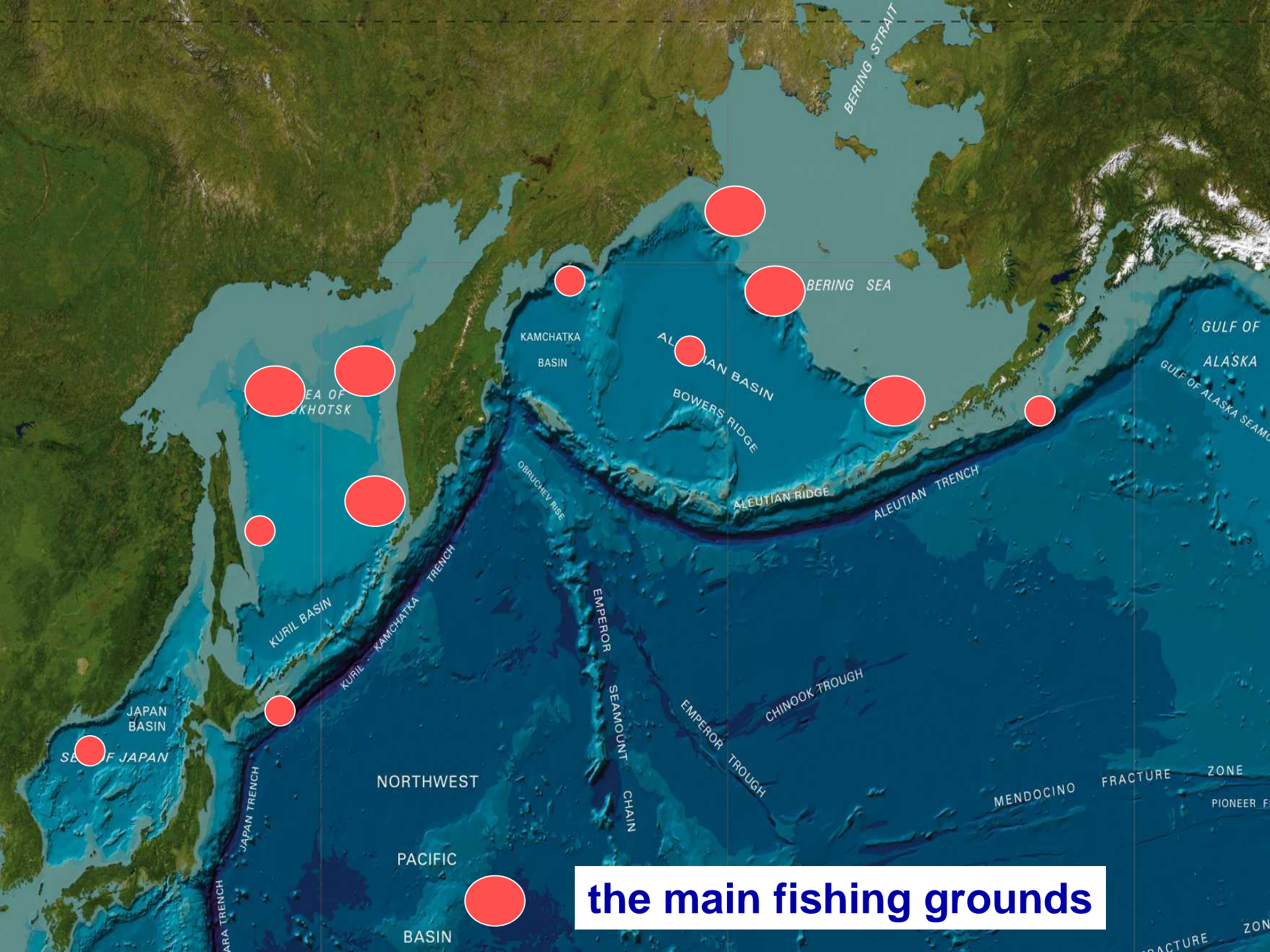
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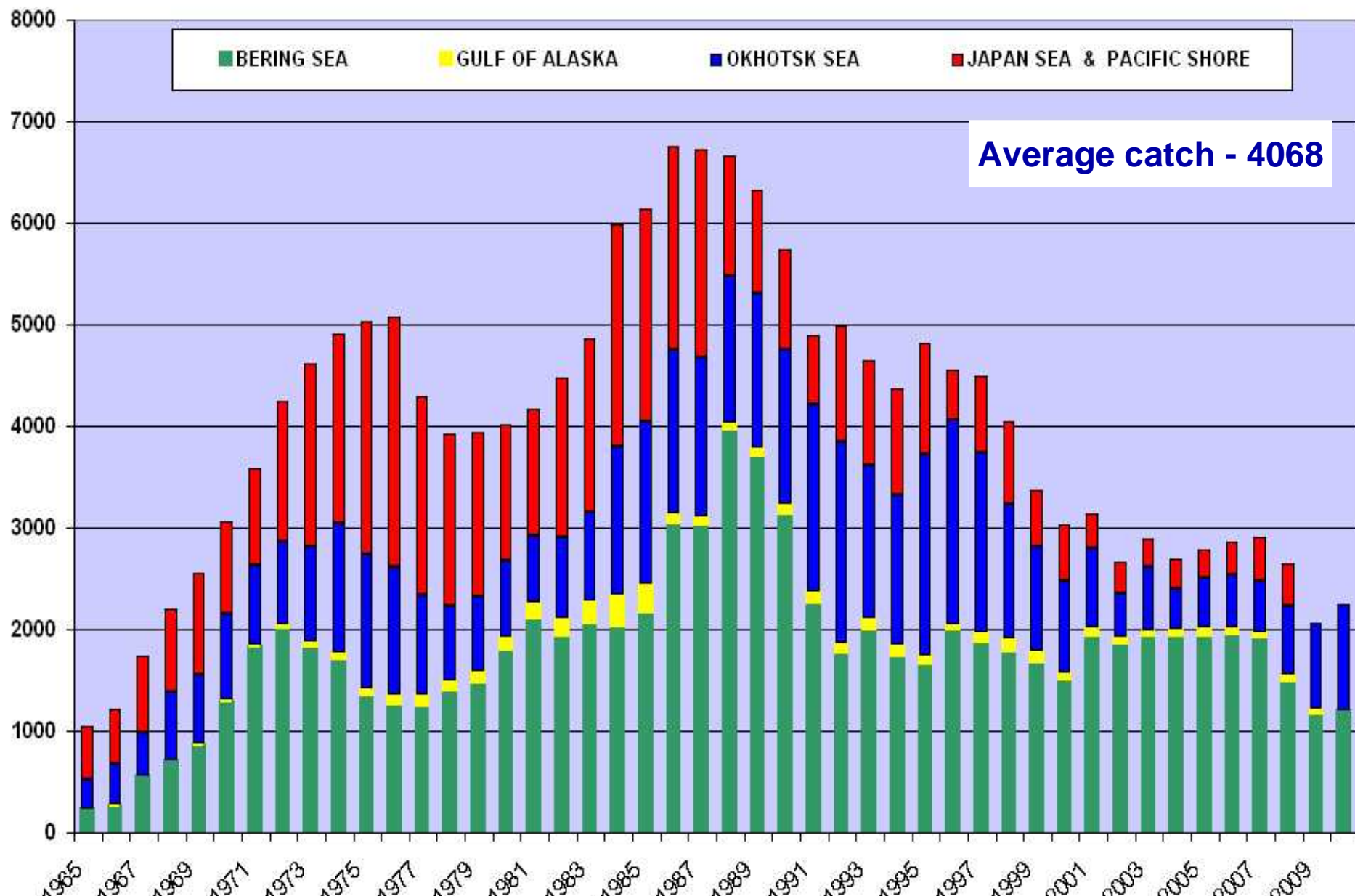
GOAL:  
TO STUDY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
CLIMATE VARIATIONS AND DYNAMICS  
OF WALLEYE POLLOCK BIOMASS





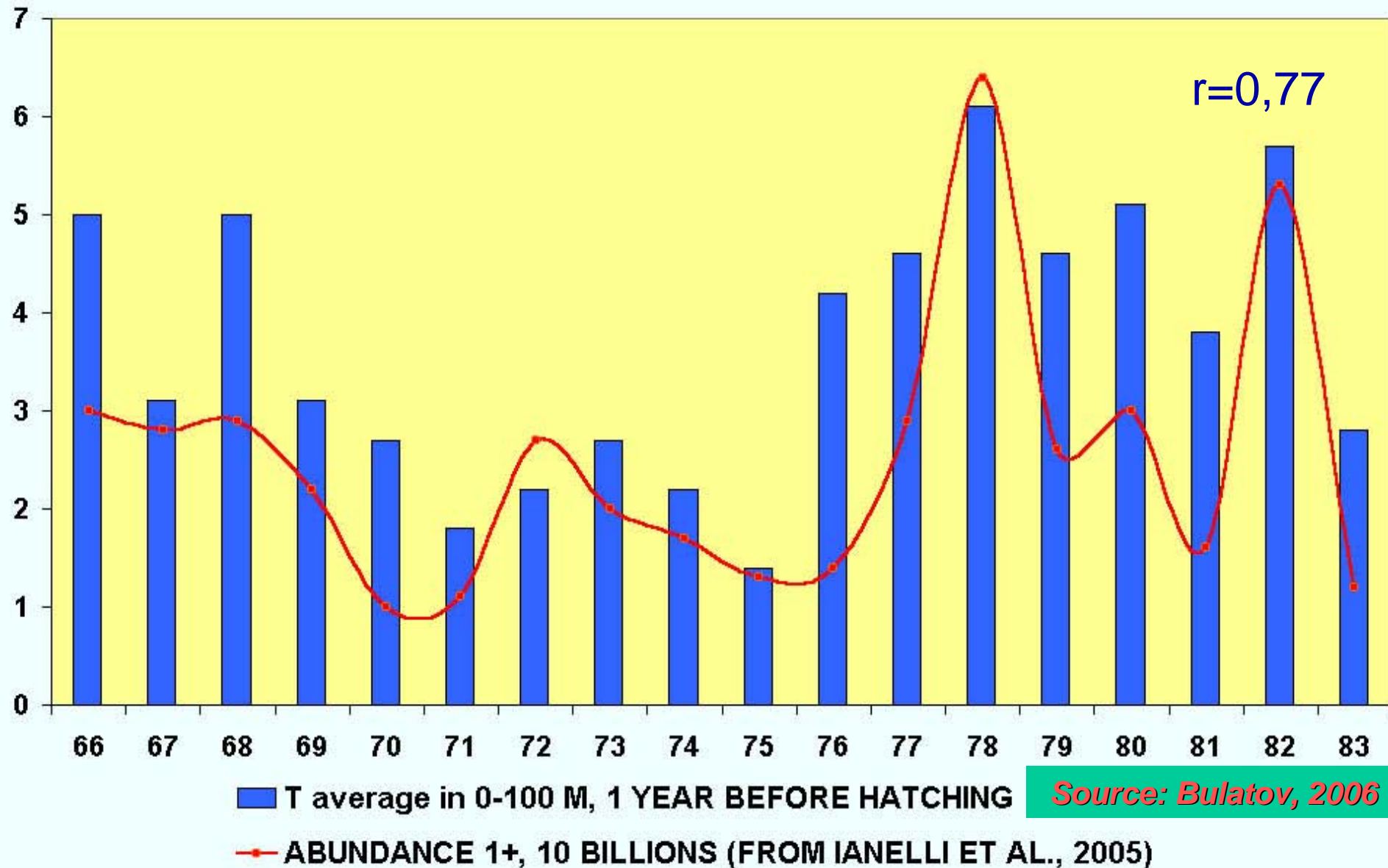
**the main fishing grounds**

# WORLD CATCH OF WALLEYE POLLOCK IN 1965-2010, thous.ton (2010 – TAC)

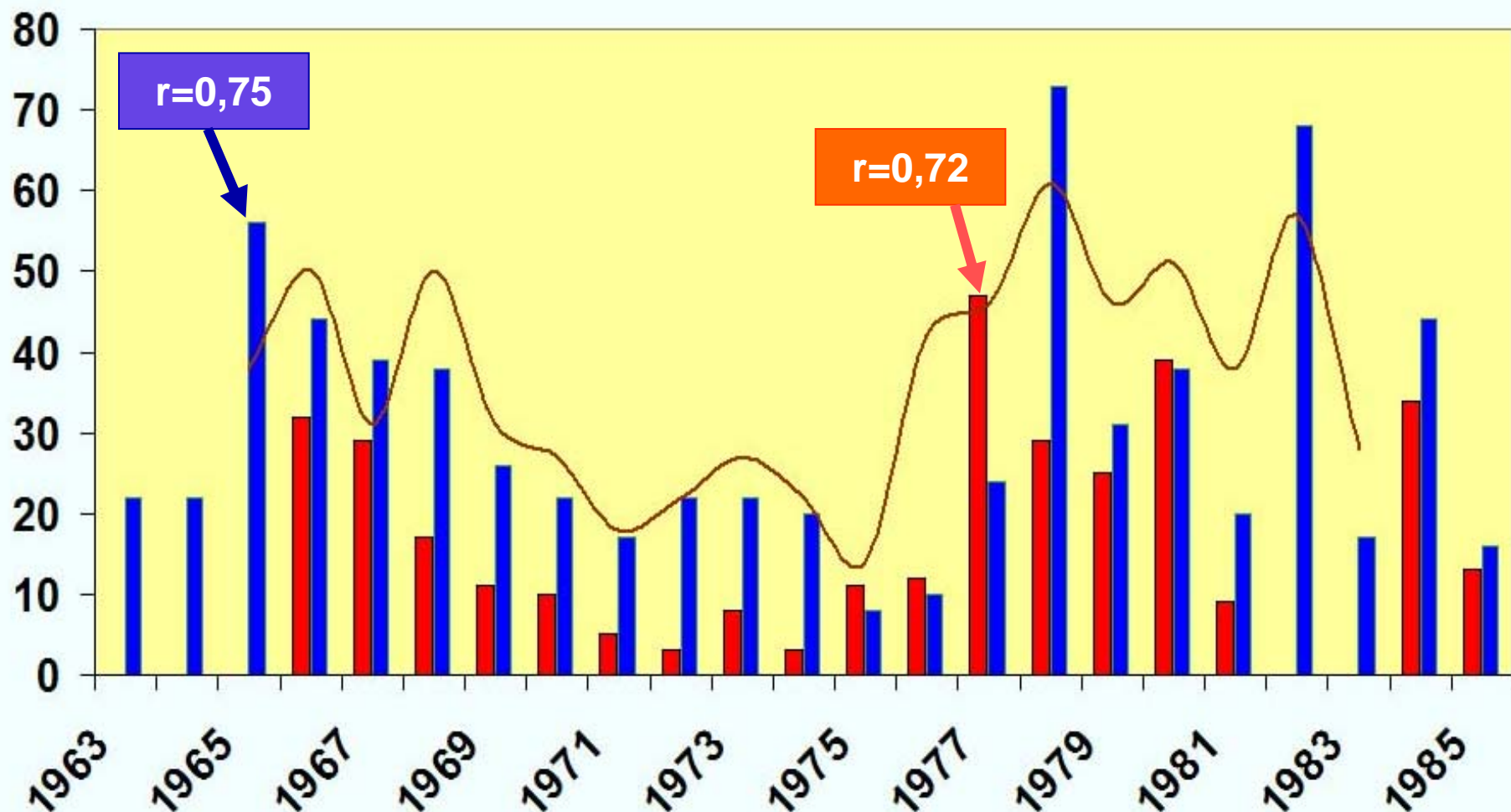




# AVERAGE TEMPERATURE AND 1 YEAR ABUNDANCE IN THE EASTERN BERING SEA



# AVERAGE WATER TEMPERATURE AND ABUNDANCE OF POLLOCK GENERATIONS (5 YEARS, 100 MILLIONS)



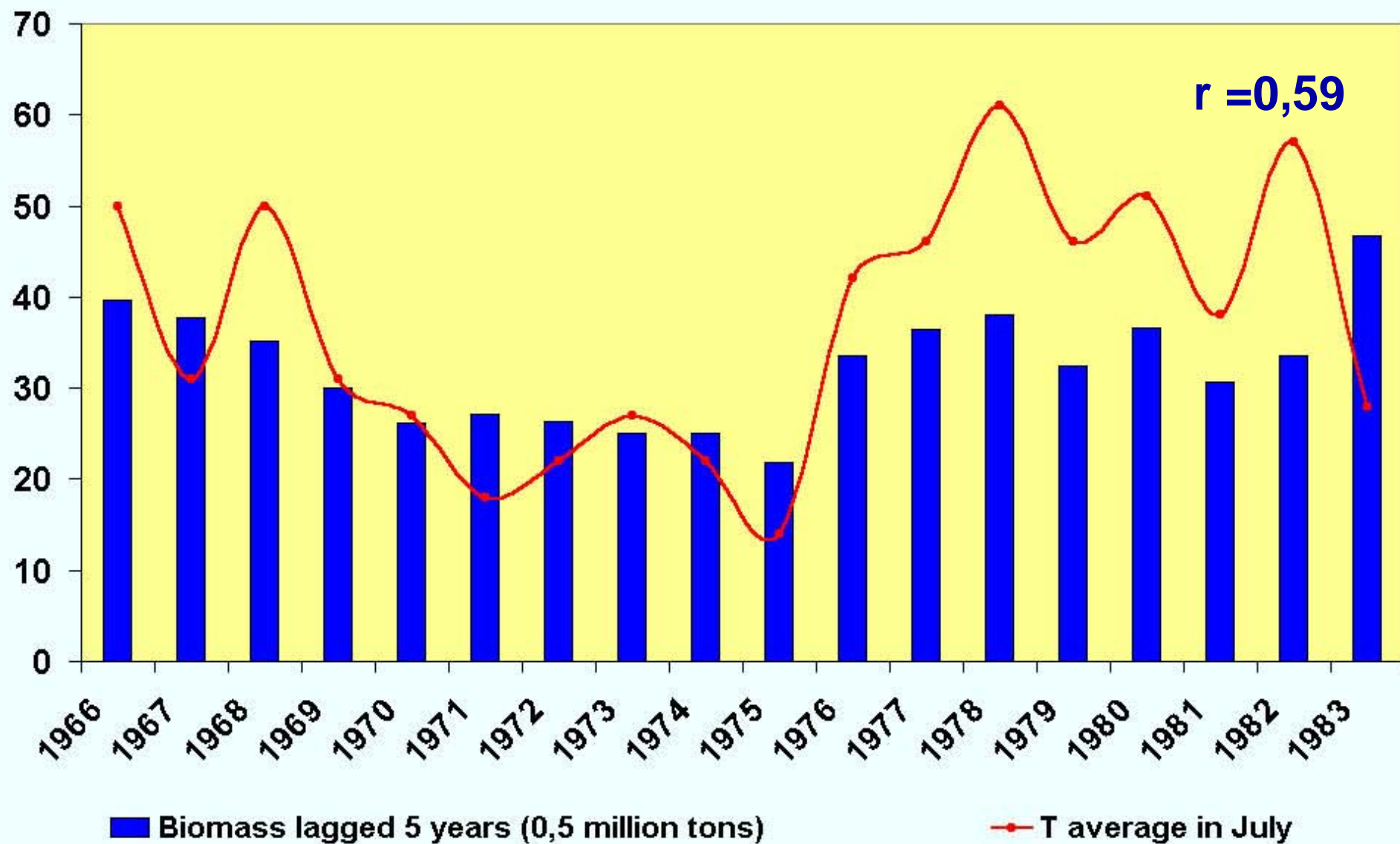
■ abundance (Bulatov, 1989)

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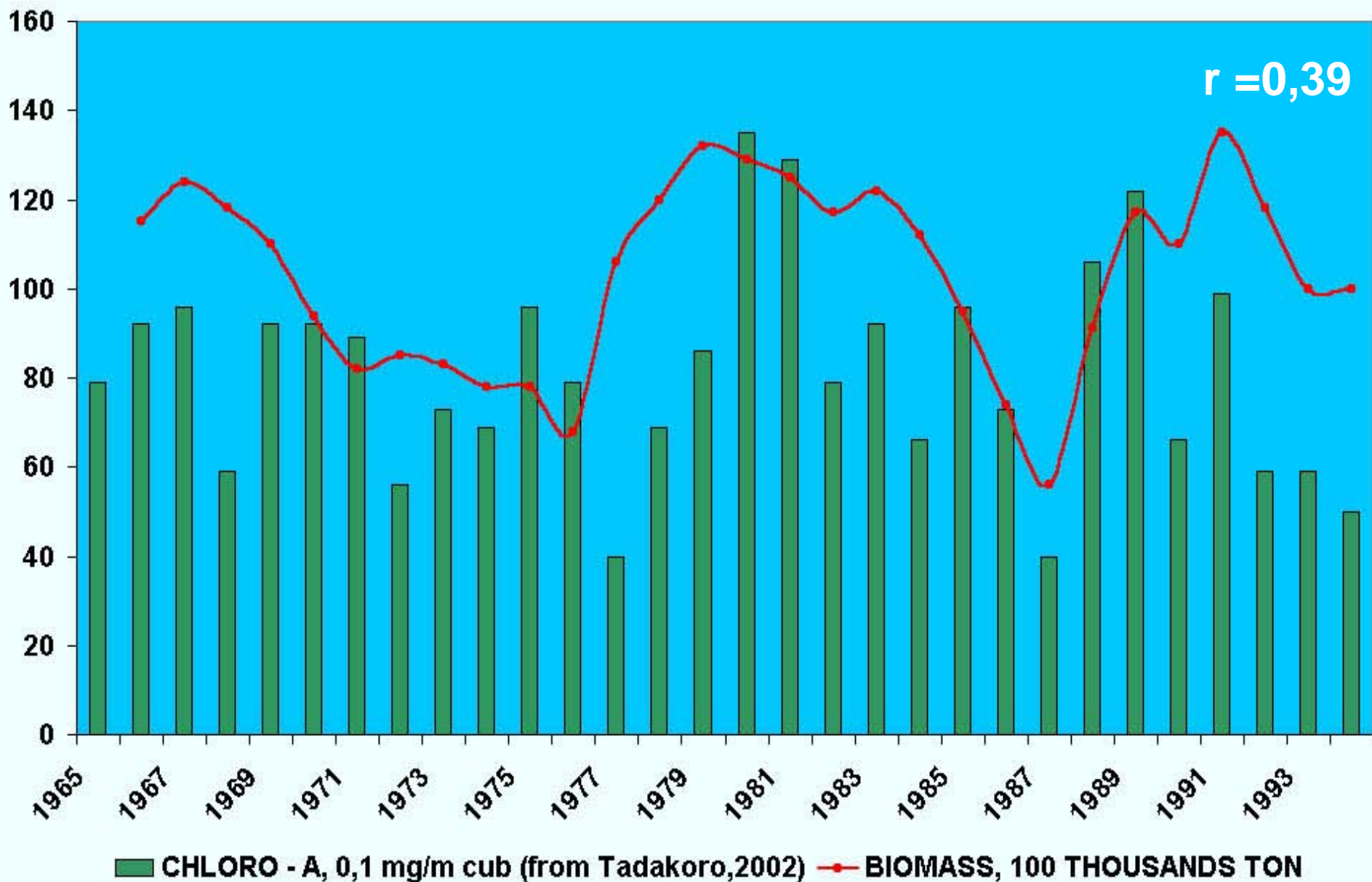
— Average water temperature, 0-100 m, 0.1°C (Khen), 1 year before

Source: Bulatov, 2006

# AVERAGE WATER TEMPERATURE (0,1 °C) IN JULY AND FISHABLE POLLOCK BIOMASS (LAGGED 5 YEARS) IN THE EASTERN BERING SEA

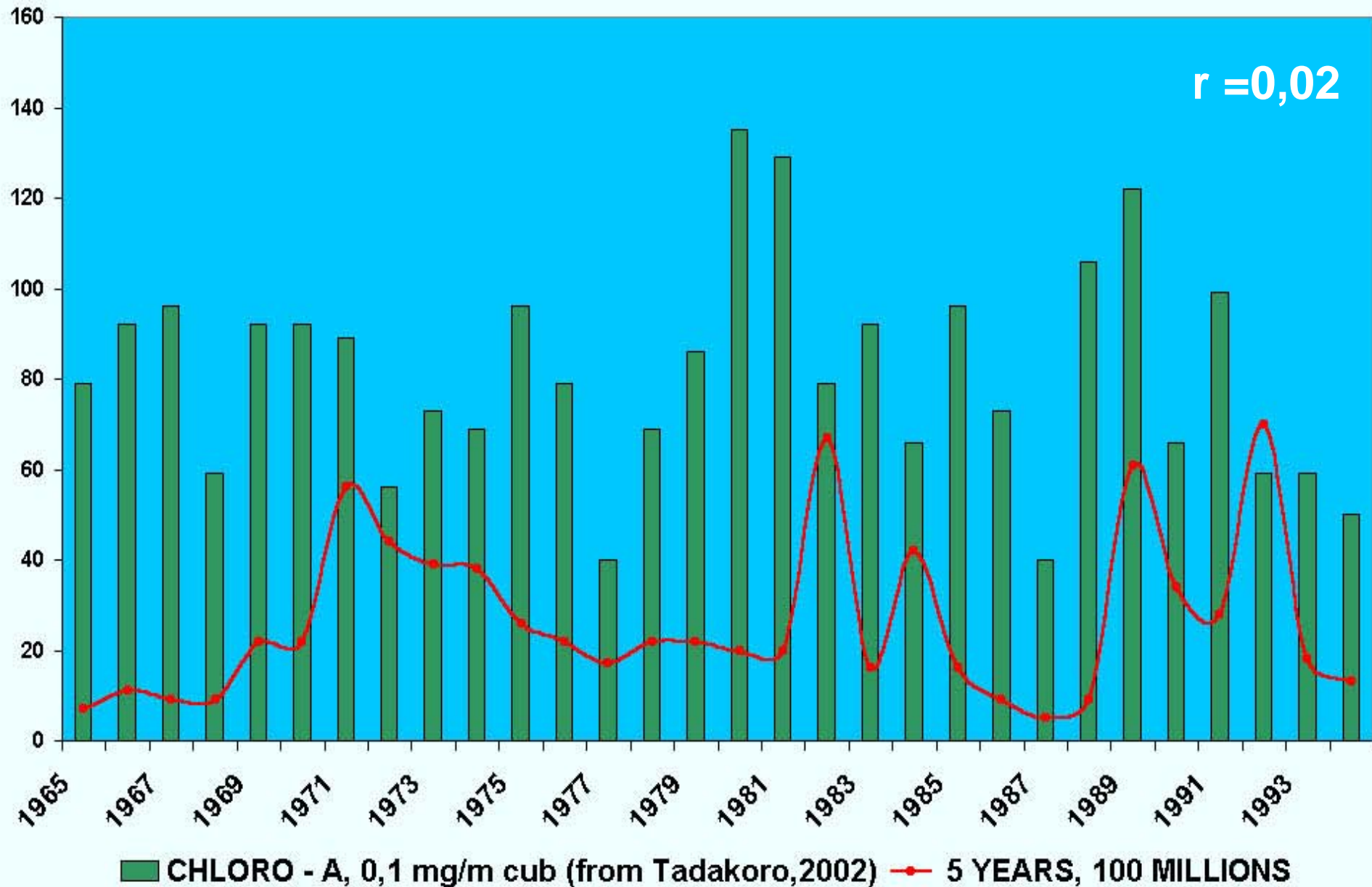


# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHLOROPHYLL - A CONCENTRATION AND POLLOCK BIOMASS (4 YEARS LAGGED) IN THE EASTERN BERING SEA

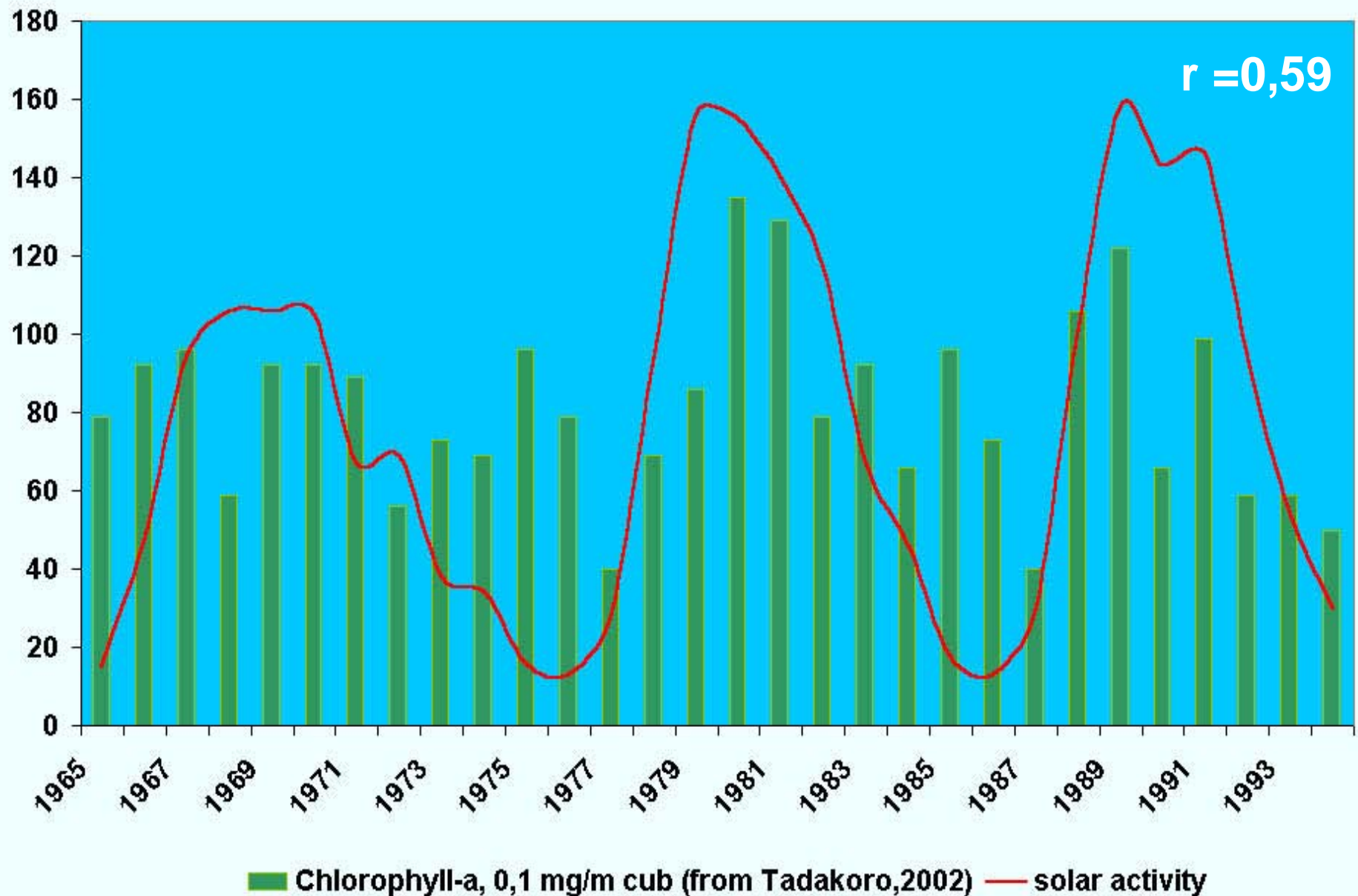




# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHLOROPHYLL - A CONCENTRATION AND NUMBERS OF 5 YEARS POLLOCK IN THE SOUTHEASTERN BERING SEA



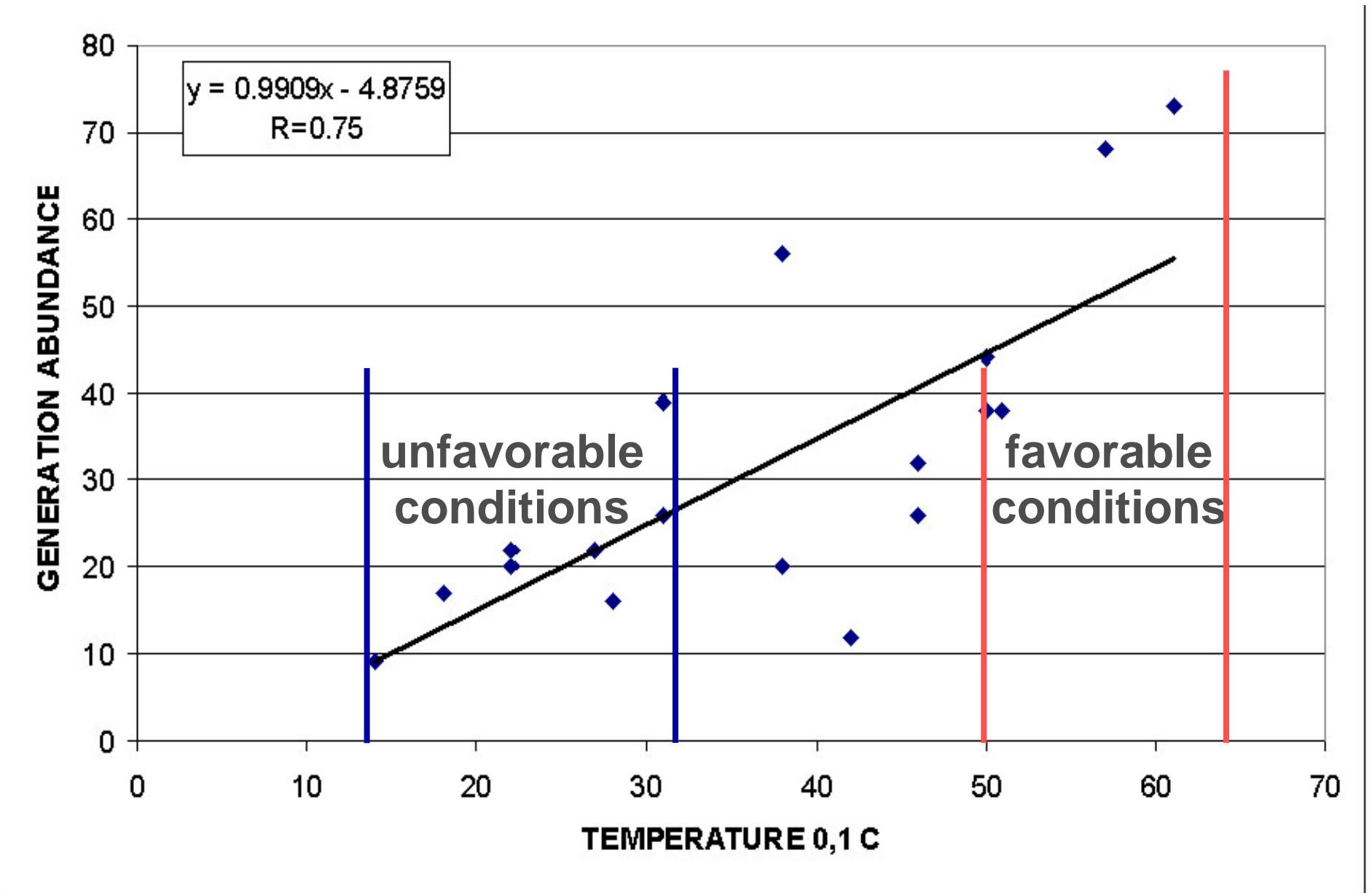
# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SOLAR ACTIVITY AND CHLOROPHYLL A CONCENTRATION IN THE SOUTHEASTERN BERING SEA





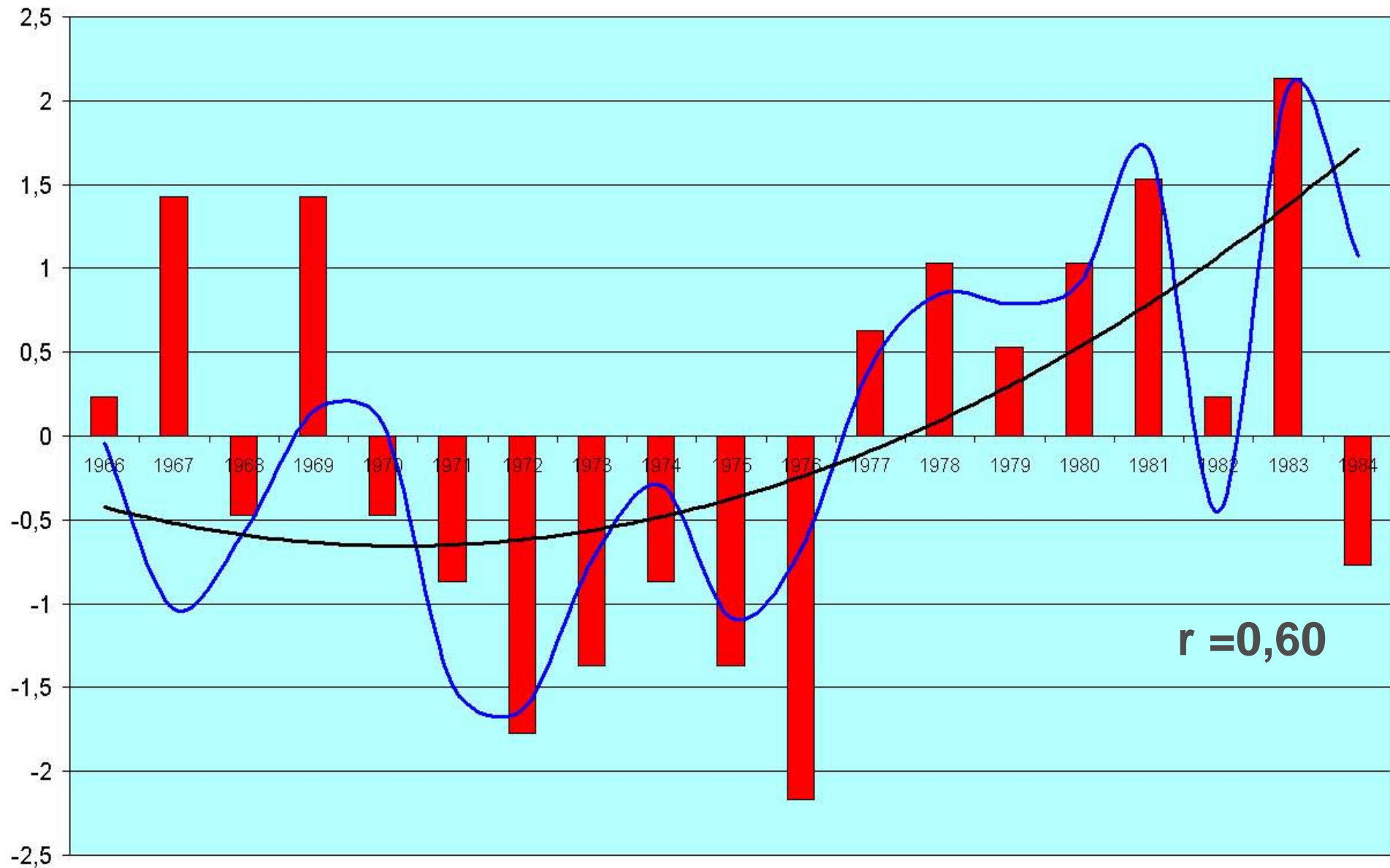
	BIOMASS	ABUNDANCE	ABUNDANCE	CHLORO. A
		1+	5 YEARS	
T SURFACE	0,25 (1970-1998 )	0,06 (1970-2004)	0,11 (1970-2000)	-0,05 (1970-2004 )
T BOTTOM	0,12 (1982-2000 )	-0,23 (1982-2004)	-0,15 (1982-2000)	0,01 (1982-1994)
T IN 0-100M JULY	0,59 (1966-1984)	0,28 (1966-1984)	0,36 (1966-1984)	0,39 (1966-1984)
T IN 0-100 M JULY, 1 YEAR BEFORE HATCHING	0,60 (1965-1983)	0,77 (1965-1983)	0,75 (1965-1983)	0,37 (1965-1983)
SOLAR ACTIVITY	0,60 (1965-1993)	0,41 (1965-1999)	0,38 (1963-1999)	0,59 (1964-1994)

# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN AVERAGE WATER T IN 0-100 M LAYER AND NUMBERS OF 5 YEARS POLLOCK IN THE SOUTHEASTERN BERING SEA

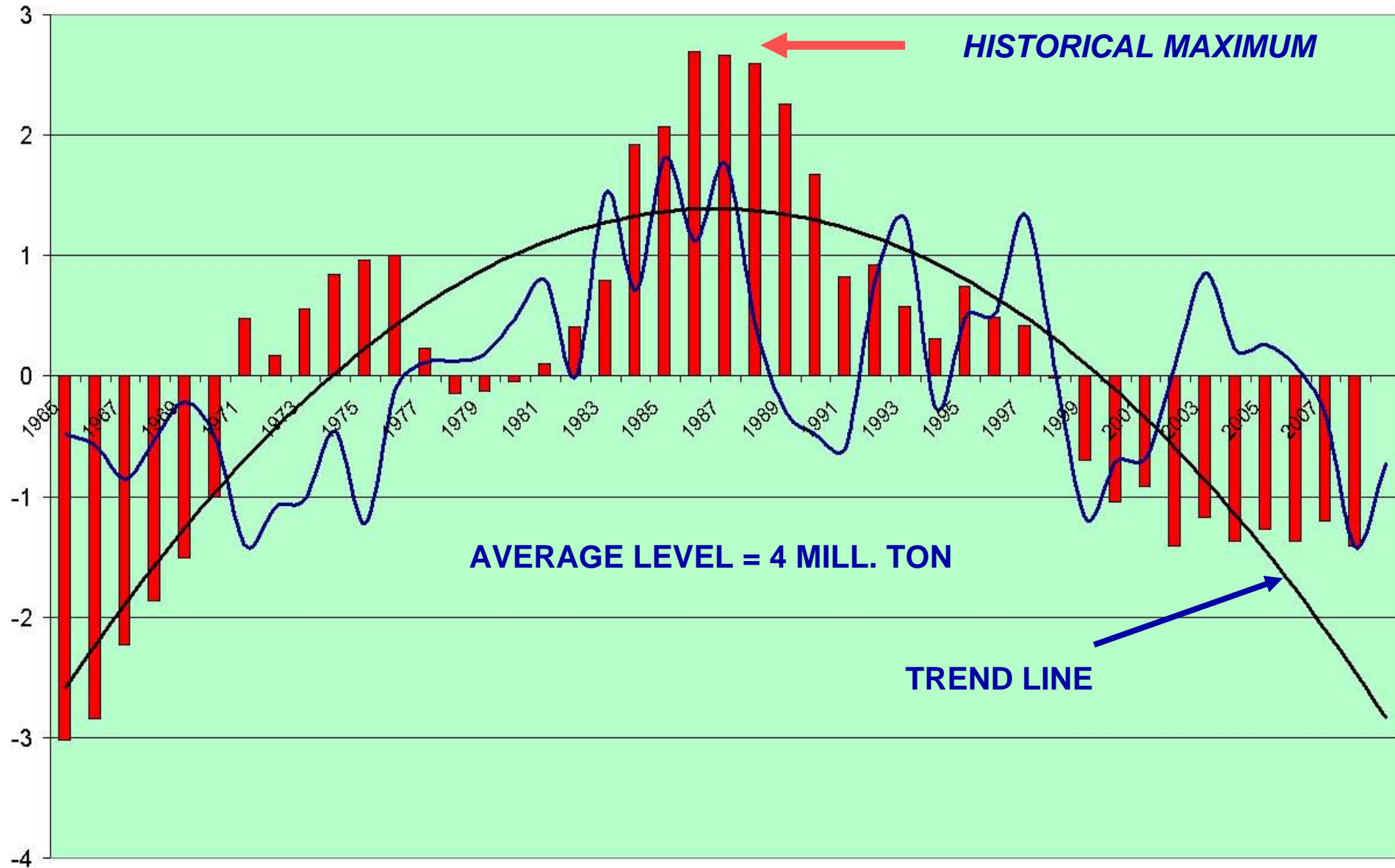




# PDO IN APRIL-JUNE VS AVERAGE WATER T IN 0-100 M LAYER IN JULY SOUTHEASTERN BERING SEA, IN 1966-1984

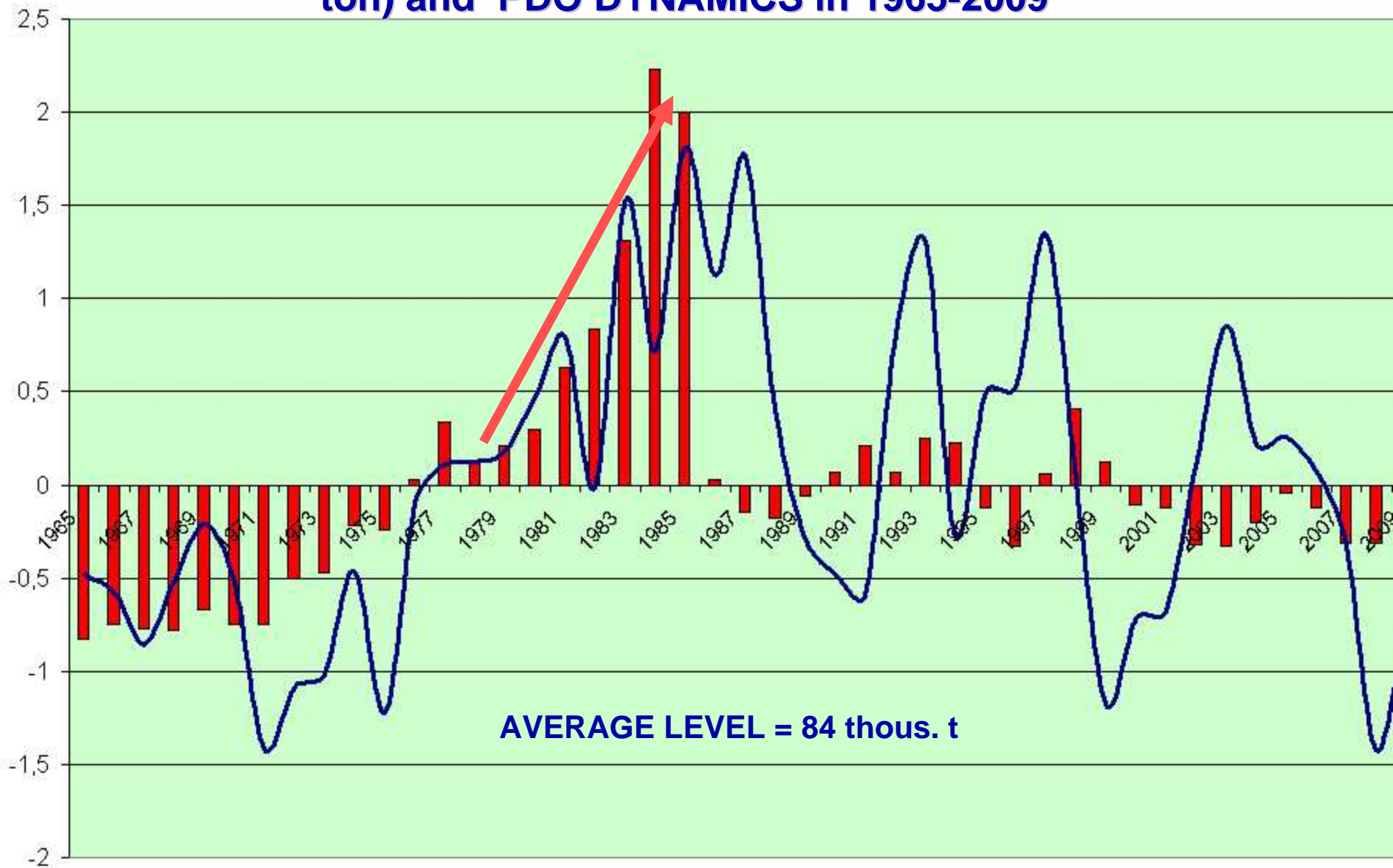


# WORLD POLLOCK CATCH ANOMALIES (bars, mill. ton) and PDO DYNAMICS (LINE) IN 1965-2008

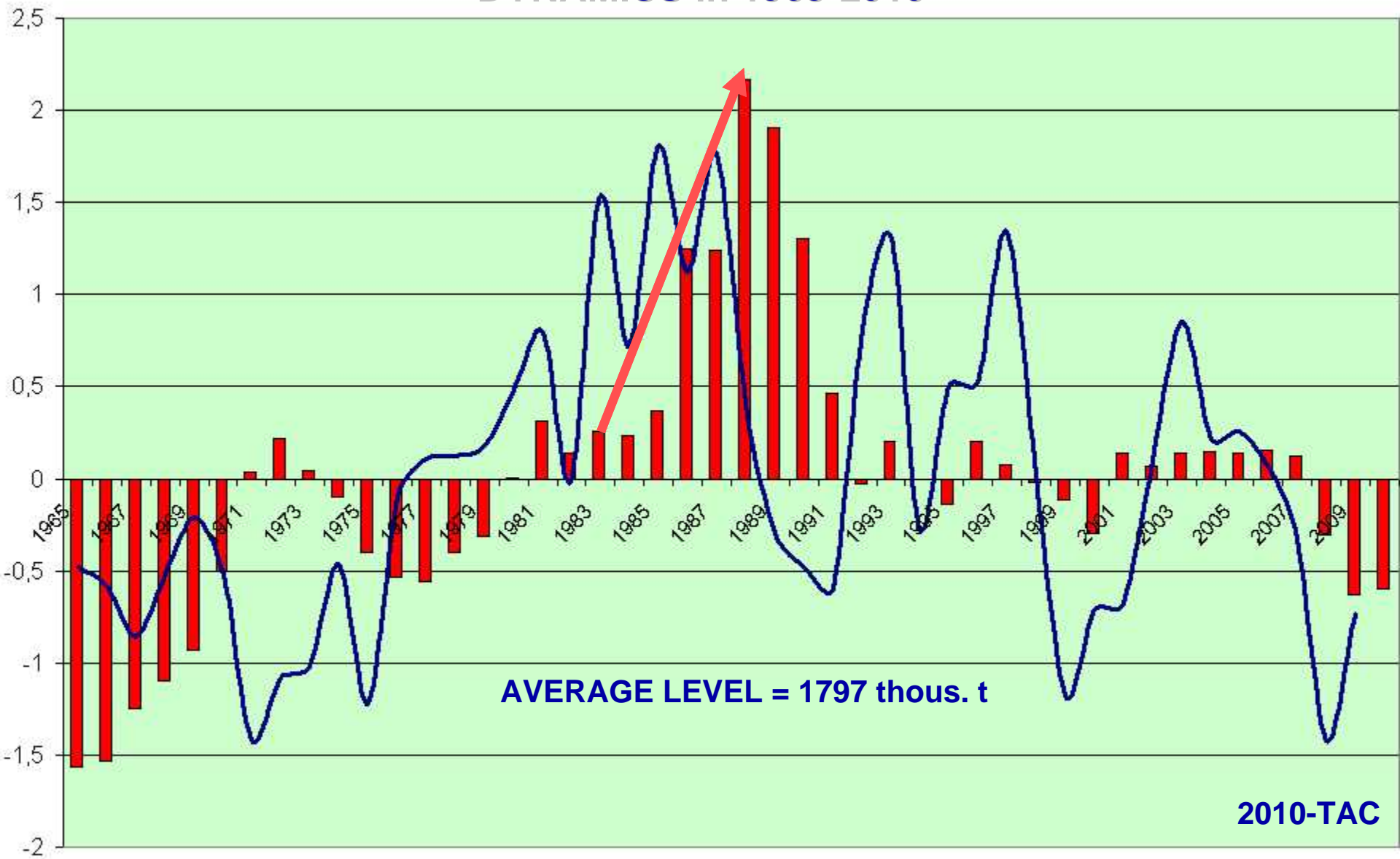




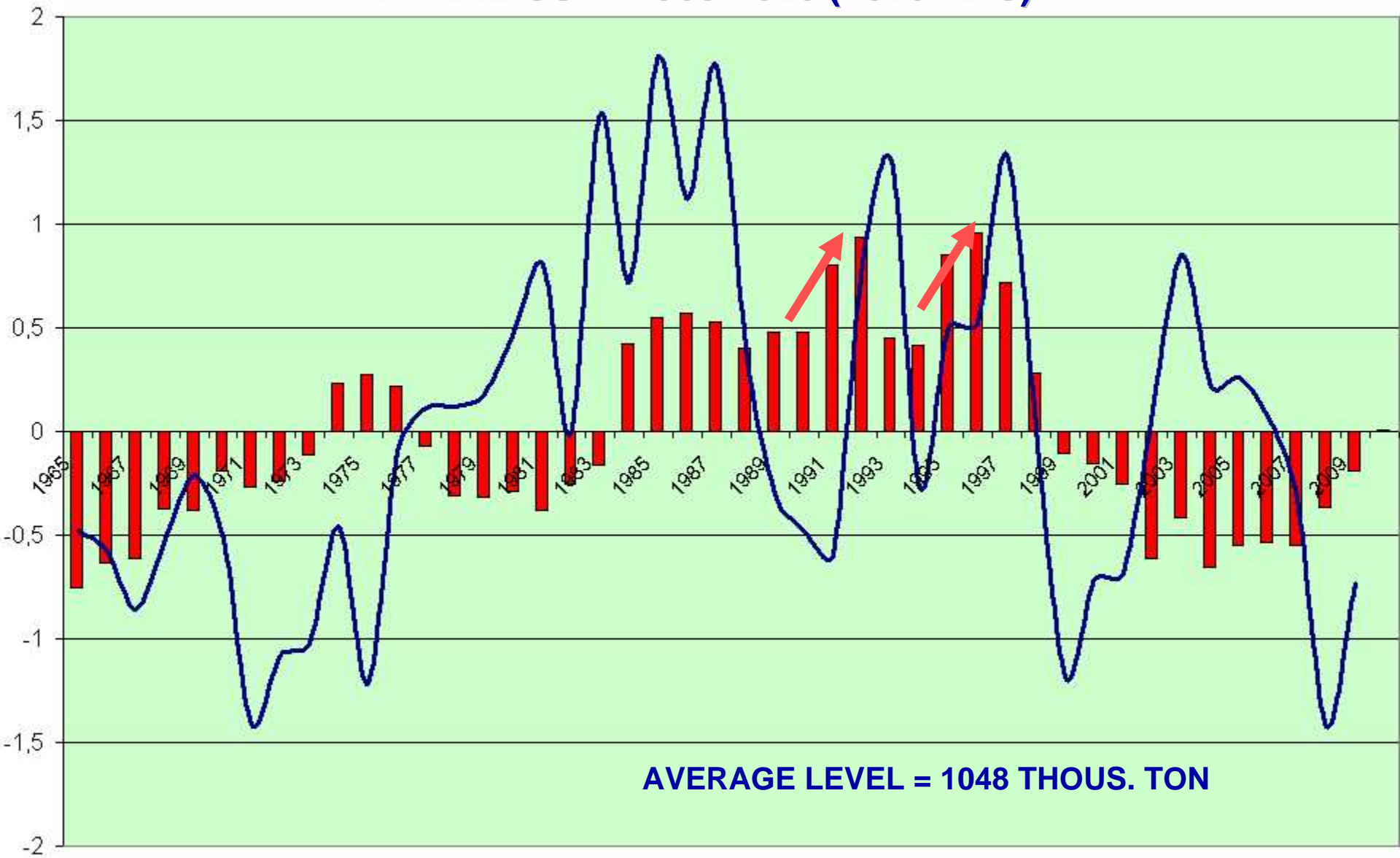
# POLLOCK CATCH IN GULF OF ALASKA ANOMALIES (BARS, 100 thous. ton) and PDO DYNAMICS in 1965-2009



# BERING SEA POLLOCK CATCH ANOMALIES (BARS, mill. ton) and PDO DYNAMICS in 1965-2010

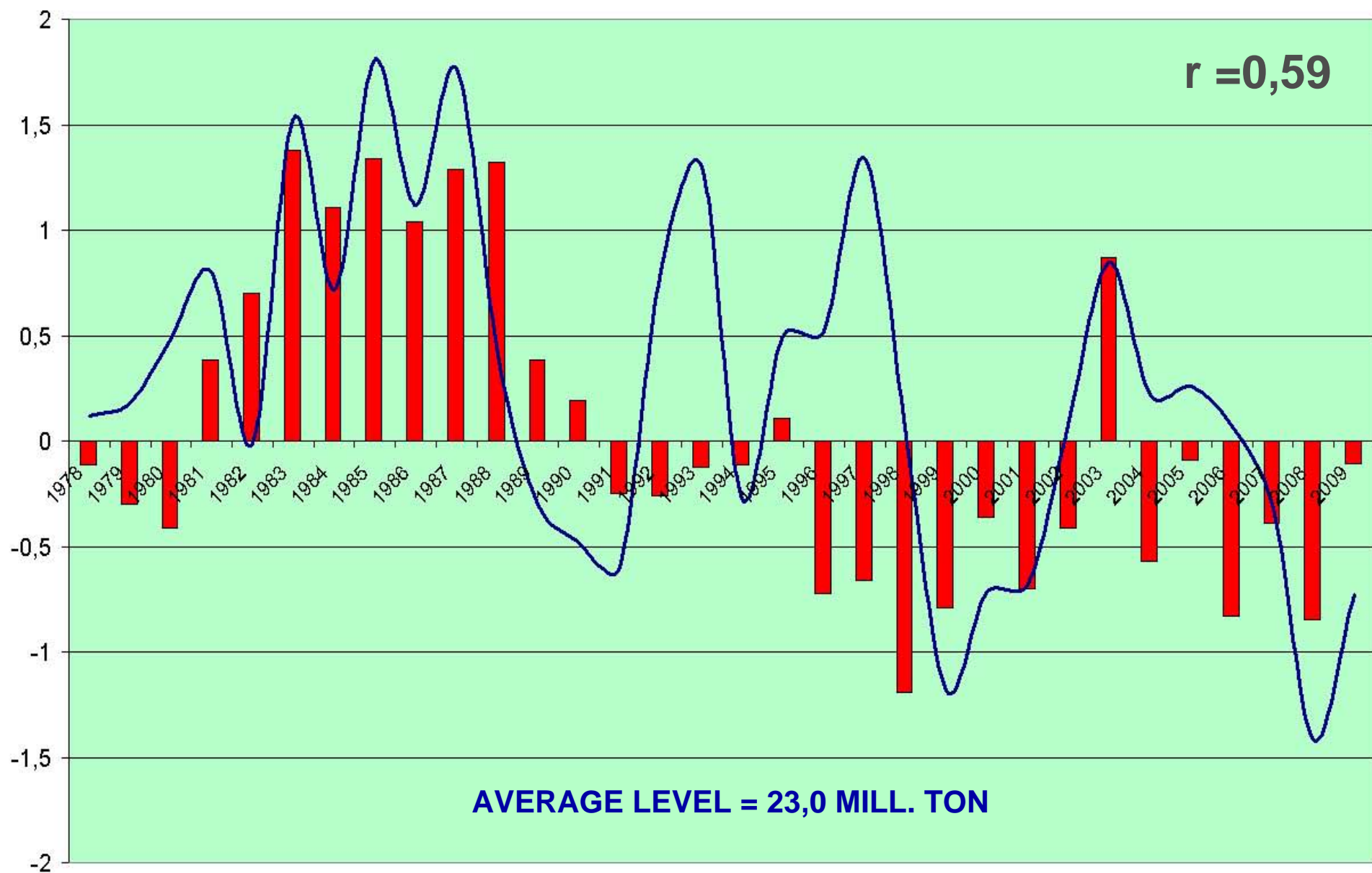


# OKHOTSK SEA POLLOCK CATCH ANOMALIES (mill. ton) and PDO DYNAMICS in 1965-2010 (2010-TAC)

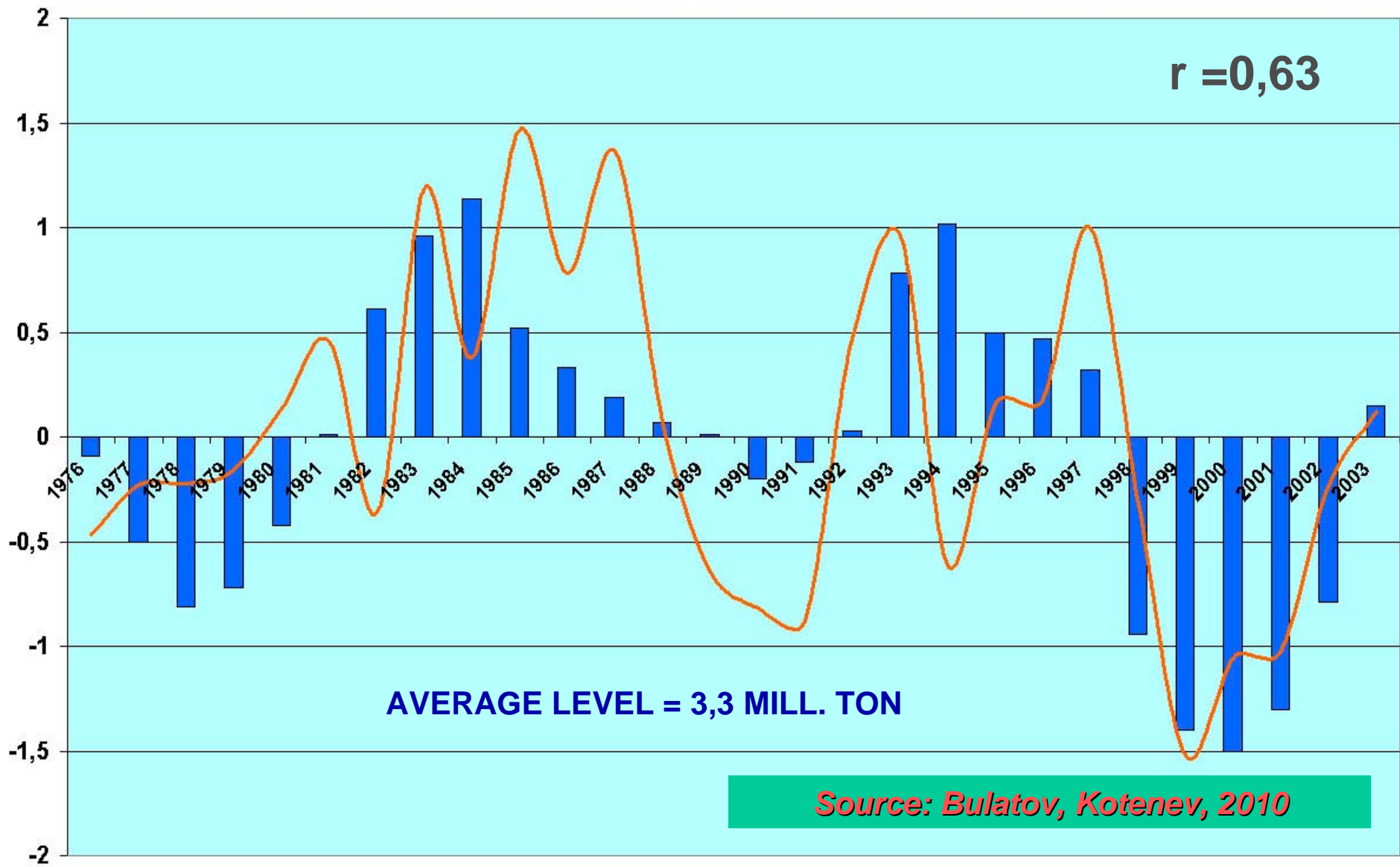




# BERING SEA POLLOCK BIOMASS ANOMALIES ( 10 mill. ton) and PDO DYNAMICS in 1965-2009

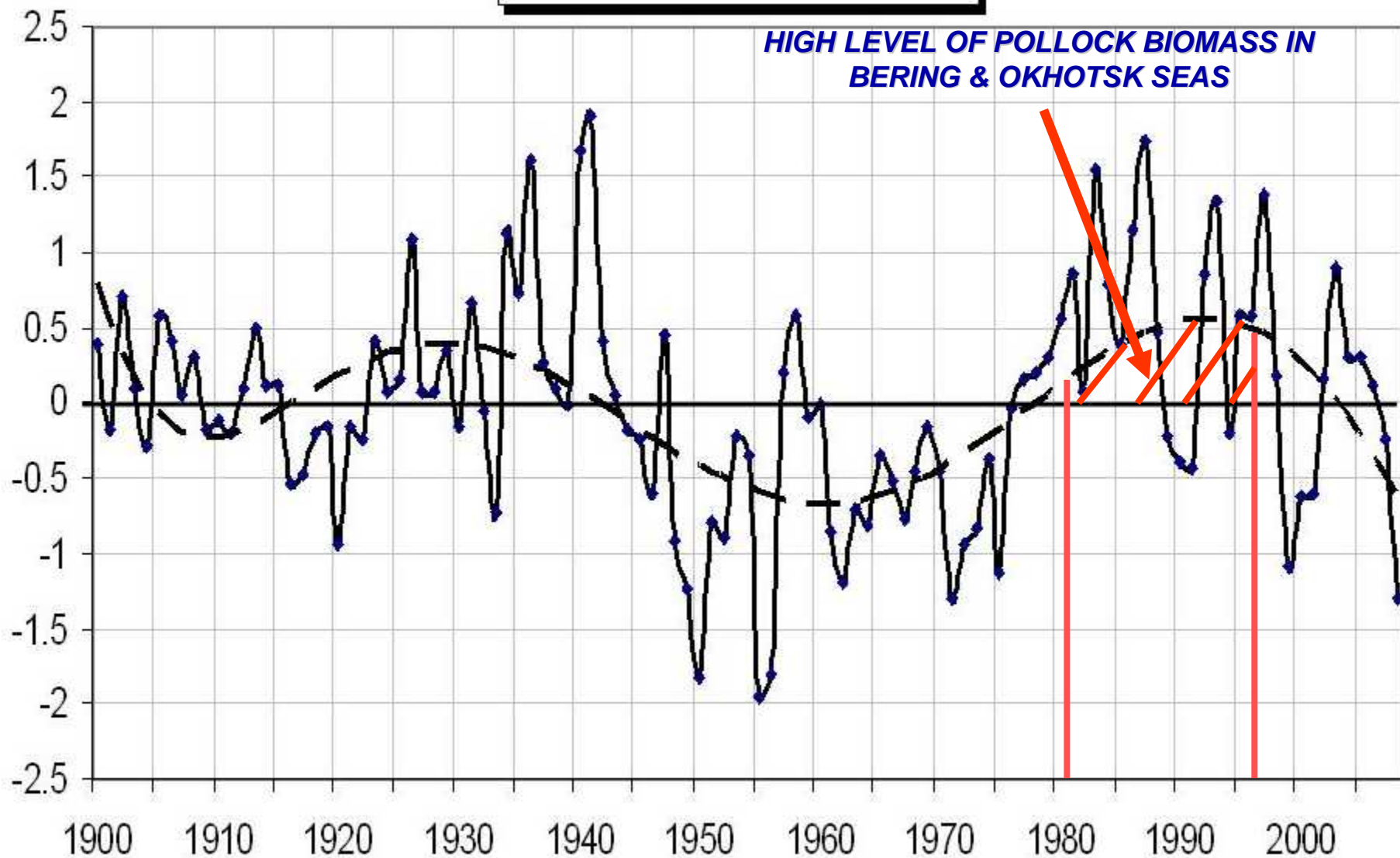


# OKHOTSK SEA POLLOCK BIOMASS ANOMALIES (bars,mill. ton) and PDO DYNAMICS in 1976-2003



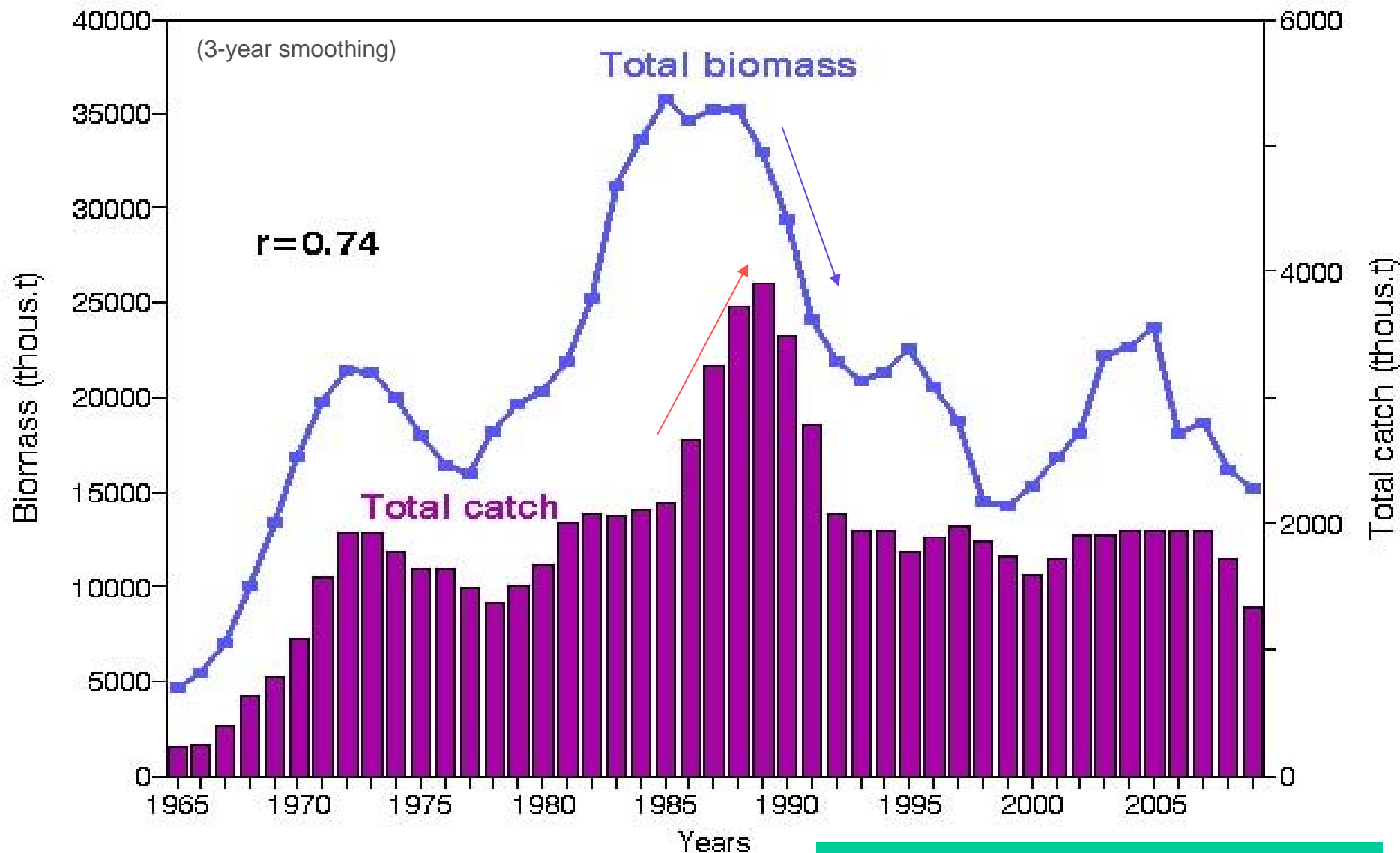
# Annual Average PDO

—●— PDO — Poly. (PDO)



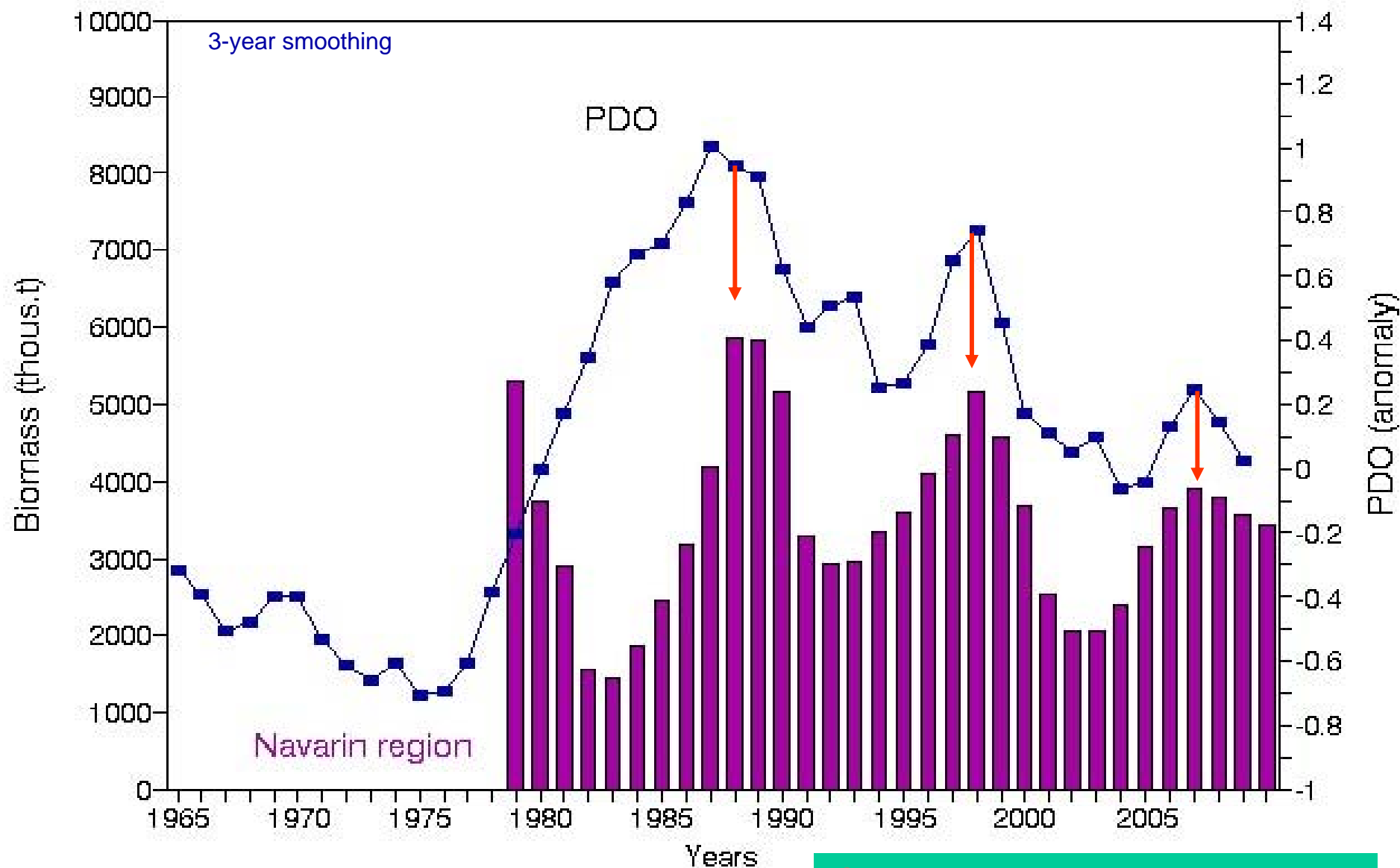


## Comparative dynamics of the Bering Sea walleye pollock total biomass and catch, 1965-2009



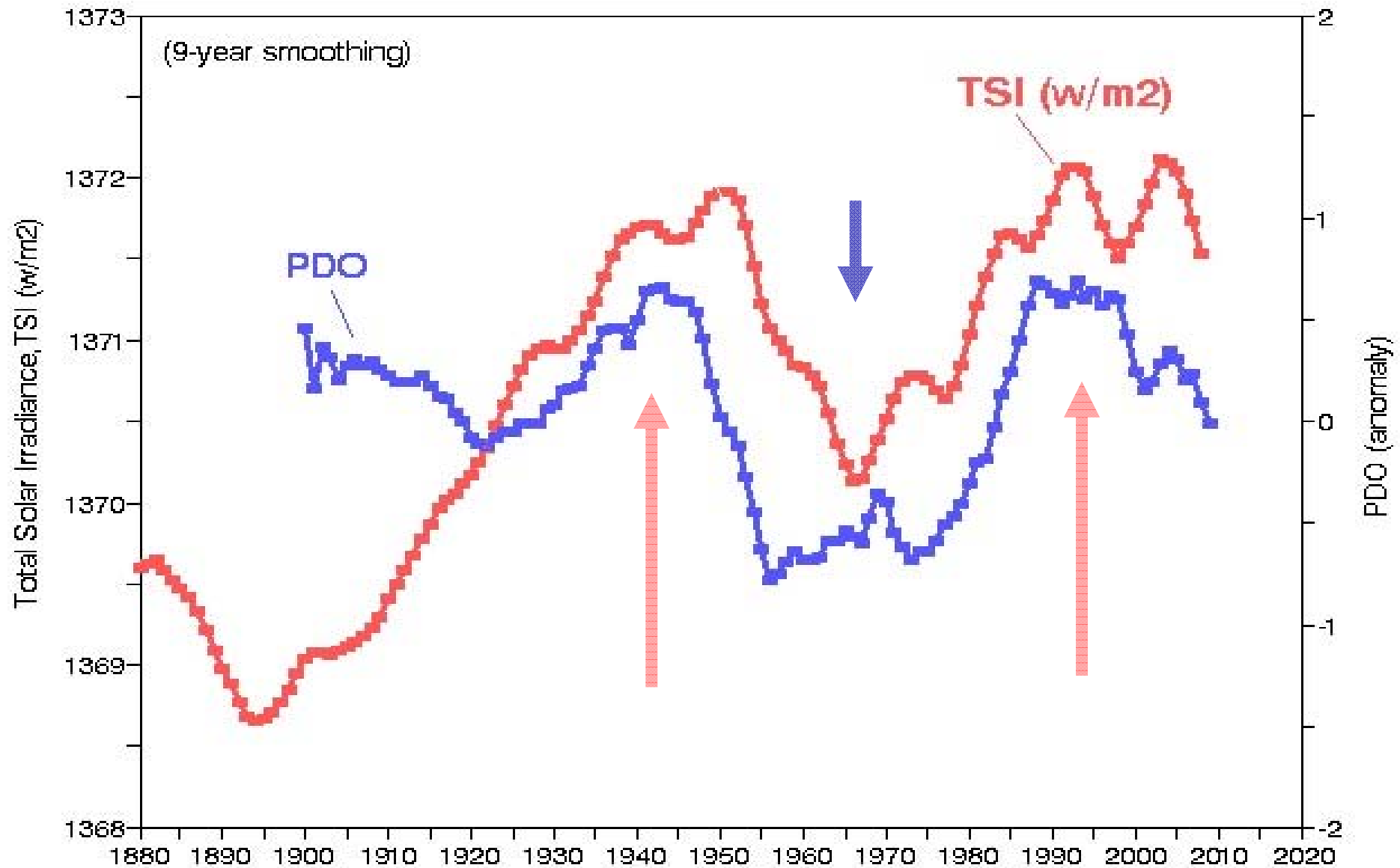
**Source: Bulatov, Klyashtorin, 2010**

## Comparative dynamics of Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO) and pollock biomass in the Navarin region, 1979-2009



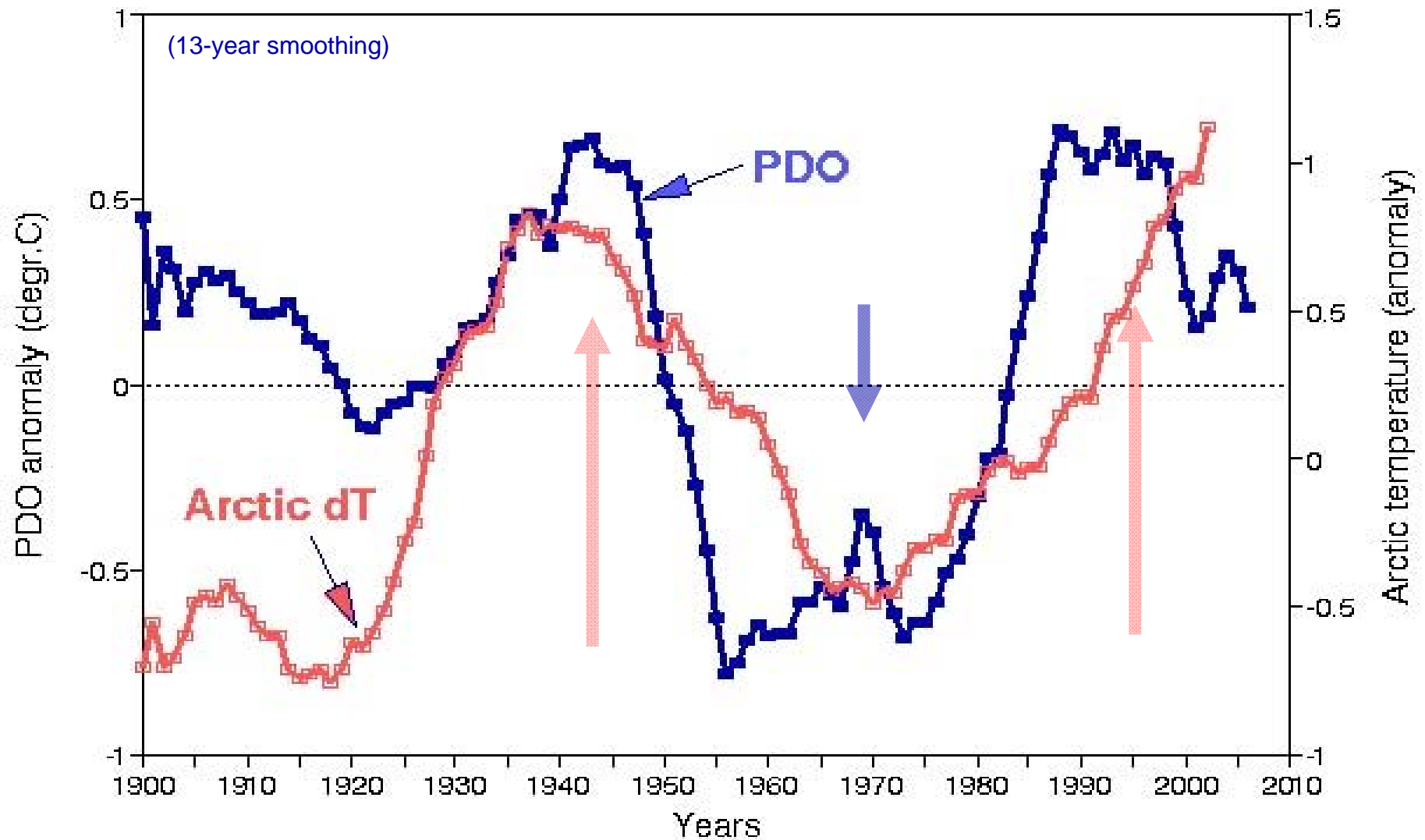
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# Comparative dynamics of Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO) and Total Solar Irradiation (TSI), 1880-2008



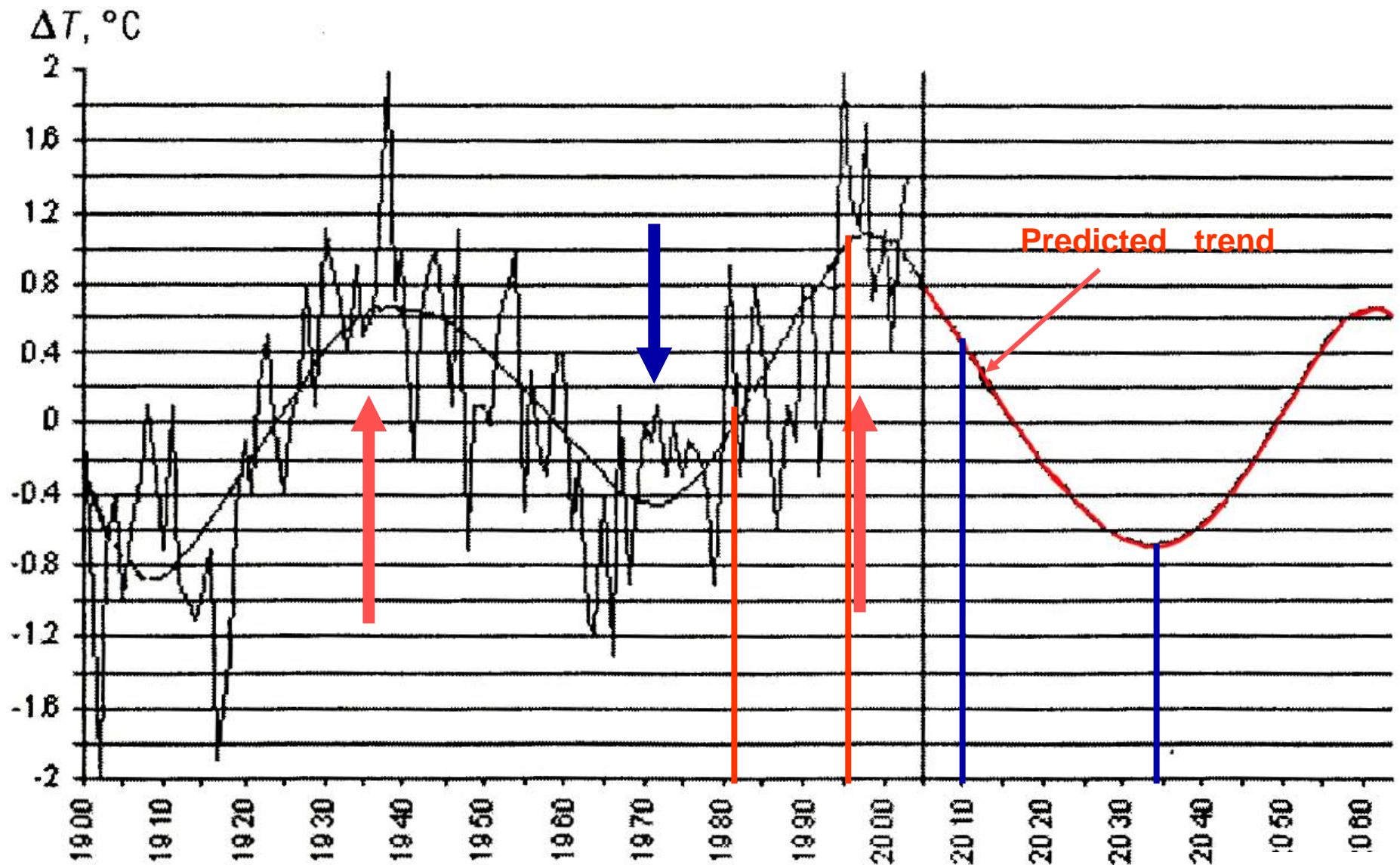


# Comparative dynamics of the Arctic dT and PDO, 1900 - 2008



Source: Bulatov, Klyashtorin, 2010

# Arctic air temperature in 1900-2005 and its probable long term trend according to Russian Arctic and Antarctic Institute forecast (AARI)



From: Frolov et al., 2009. "Climate Change in Eurasian Arctic Shelf Seas". Praxis Publishing Ltd, Chichester, UK, 164p.

## ***Prof. Don J. Easterbrook suggest:***

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- Strong correlation between solar changes, the PDO, glacier advance and retreat, and global climate allow us to project a consistent pattern into the future.
- ***Projected cooling for the next several decades is based on past PDO patterns for the past century and temperature patterns for the past 500 years.***

Three possible scenarios are shown:

- (1) global cooling similar to the cooling from 1945 to 1977,
- (2) global cooling similar to the cool period from 1880 to 1915, and
- (3) global cooling similar to the Dalton Minimum from 1790 to 1820.



## WORKING HYPOTHESIS: POLLOCK BIOMASS DYNAMICS IN 2010-2050

REGION	2010-2035	2035-2050
GULF OF ALASKA	VERY LOW BIOMASS	SHARPLY INCREASING BIOMASS
EASTERN BERING SEA	DECREASING OF BIOMASS	SHARPLY INCREASING BIOMASS
NORTH & WEST BERING SEA	VERY LOW BIOMASS	SHARPLY INCREASING BIOMASS
EASTERN SEA OF OKHOTSK	DECREASING OF BIOMASS	SHARPLY INCREASING BIOMASS
NORTH & WEST SEA OF OKHOTSK	VERY LOW BIOMASS	SHARPLY INCREASING BIOMASS
SEA OF JAPAN & PACIFIC COAST	SHARPLY INCREASING BIOMASS	VERY LOW BIOMASS

# CONCLUSIONS

- Variations in PDO, TSI and Arctic dT observed over the recent 100 years prove the existence of a **~60 year regularity in climatic changes** of the North Pacific and Arctic.
- At present the warming period is ending, and a cooling phase is beginning. Forecasts suggest that this **cooling will result in a decrease in biomass of pollock stock** in the Gulf of Alaska, Bering & Okhotsk Seas **in the 2010-2035 and increasing in Sea of Japan and Pacific waters.**
- The warming period will begin from 2035 and biomass of pollock sharply increase in the Gulf of Alaska, Bering & Okhotsk Seas and decrease in Sea of Japan and Pacific waters.

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