Can we explain and predict stock fluctuations of Japanese common squid, *Todarodes pacificus* related to climatic regime shifts?



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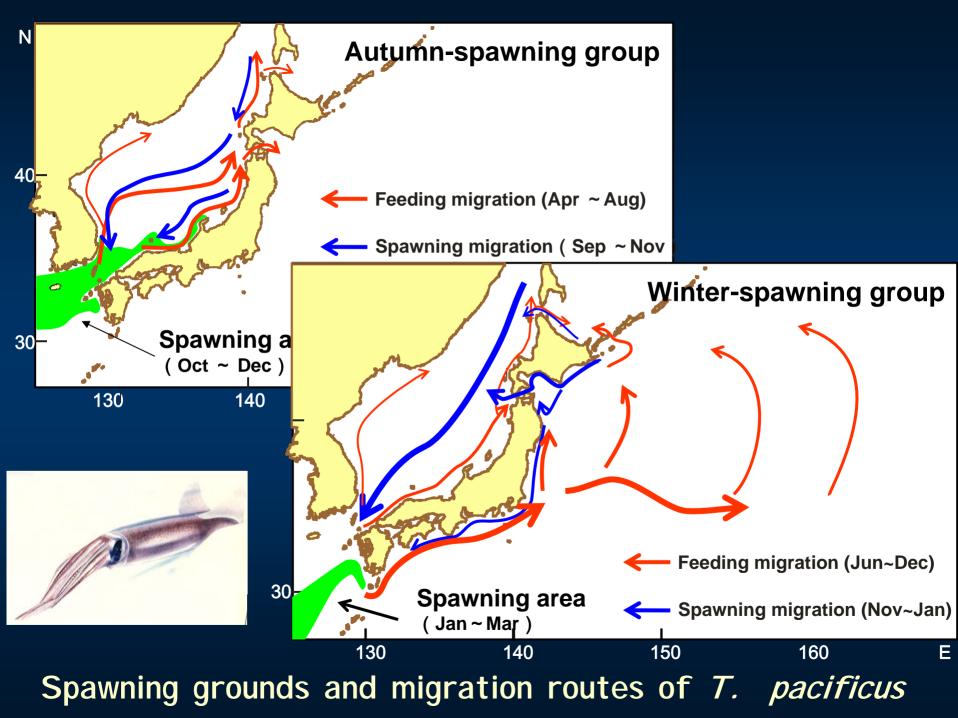
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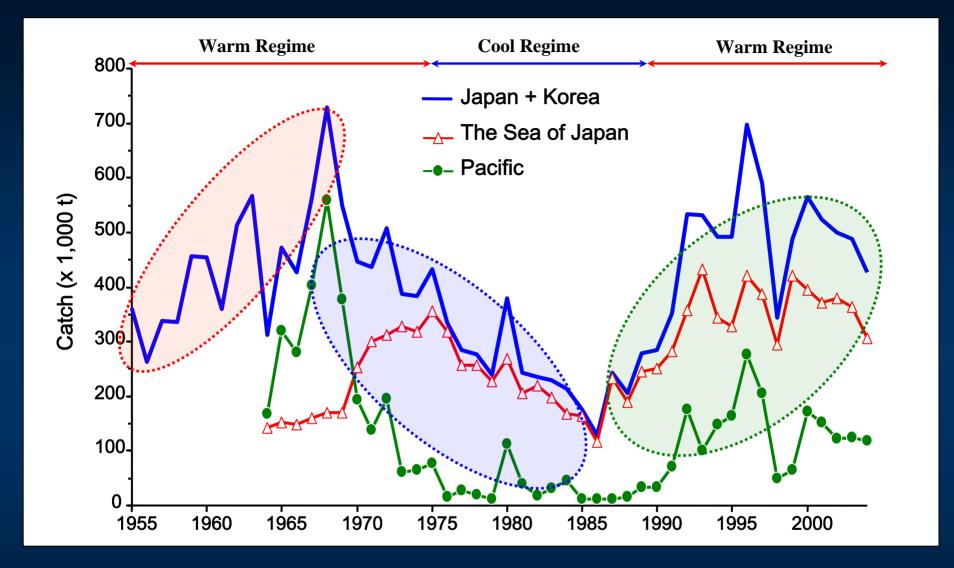
### Background

- Recruitment success in squids depends largely on environmental conditions at the spawning and nursery grounds
- · Stock size in Japanese common squid, Todarodes pacificus might fluctuate due to environmental factors such as the winter wind stress, air temperature, and mixed layer depth at the spawning grounds.

### **Objective**

 How to predict stock fluctuation of common squid related to climate change, based on the new reproduction and recruitment scenario.

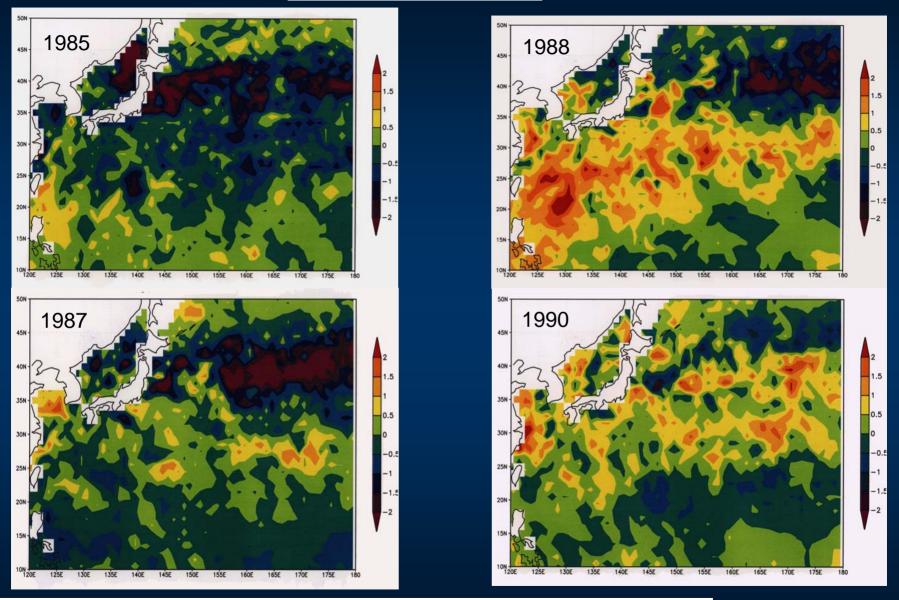




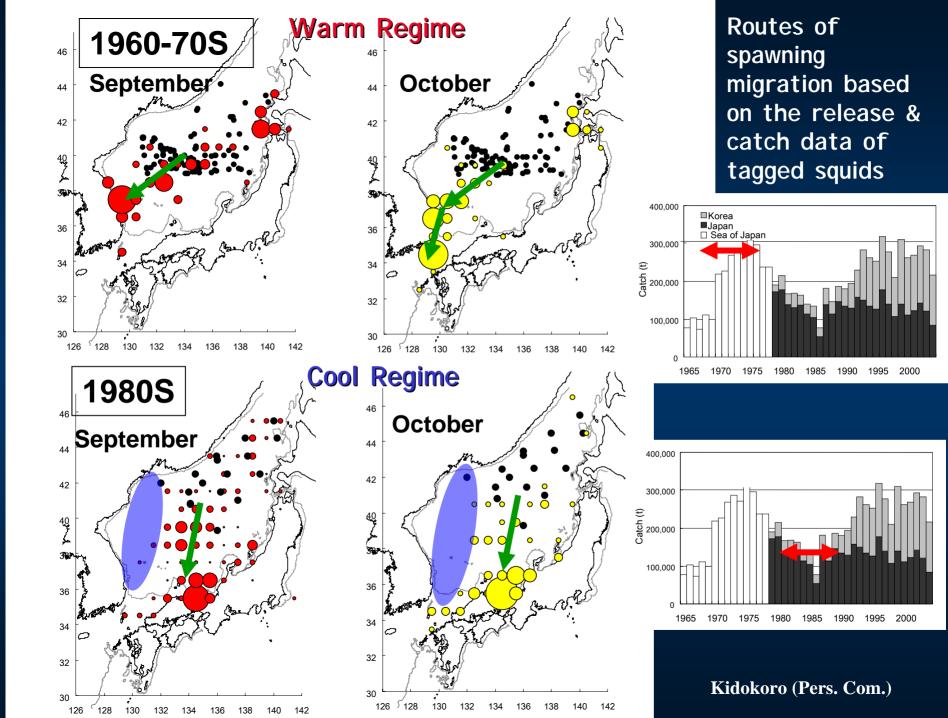
Annual fluctuation in common squid, *T. pacificus* catches of Korea and Japan during 1955 - 2004.

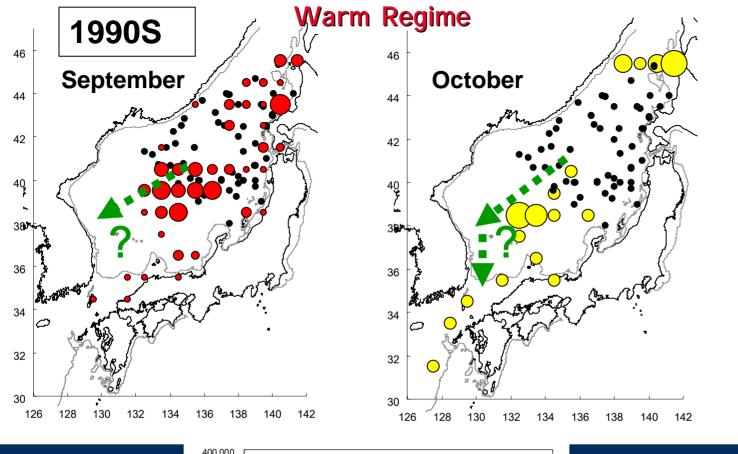
(Data derived from the Japan Sea Research Institute, Japan and the National Fisheries Research and Development Institute, Korea).

### Regime shift

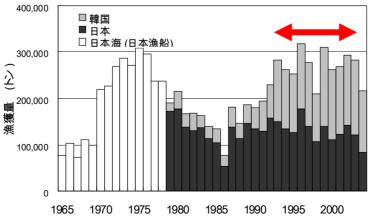


Sea surface temperature anomaly in February

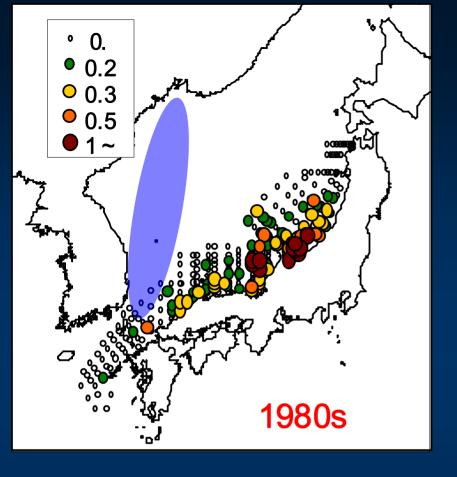


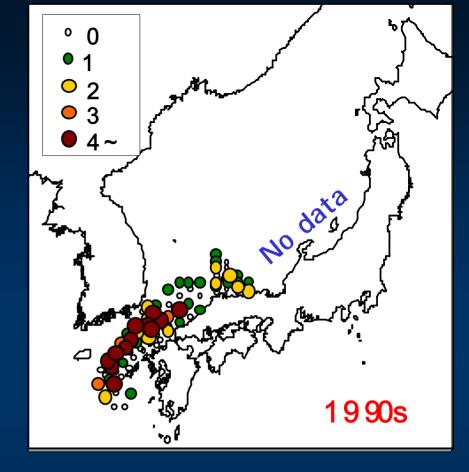


Routes of spawning migration based on the release & catch data of tagged squids



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Changes of distribution patterns of T. pacificus paralarvae of autumn spawning group in 1980's (cool regime) and 1990's (warm regime). (No. of paralarvae/tow).

(T. Goto et al., 2005)

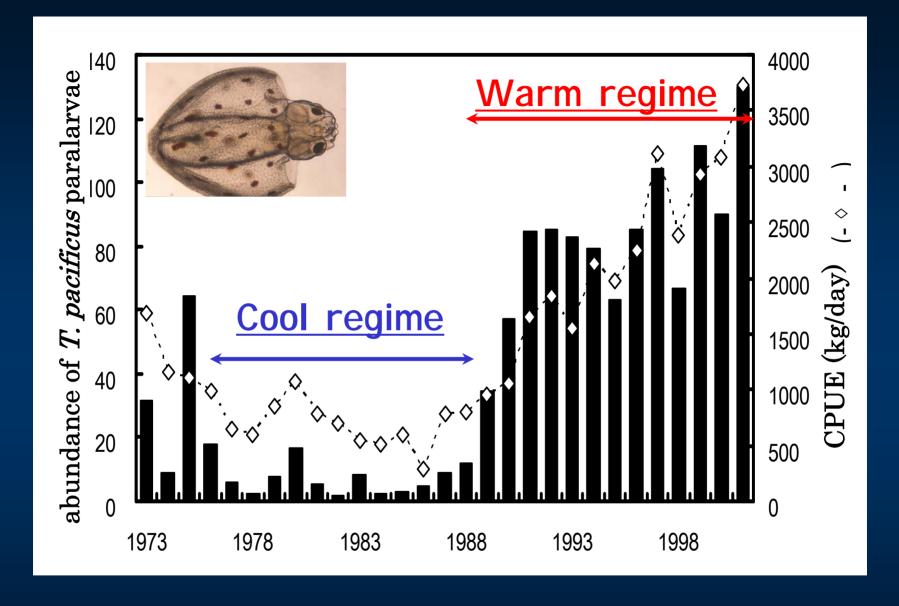


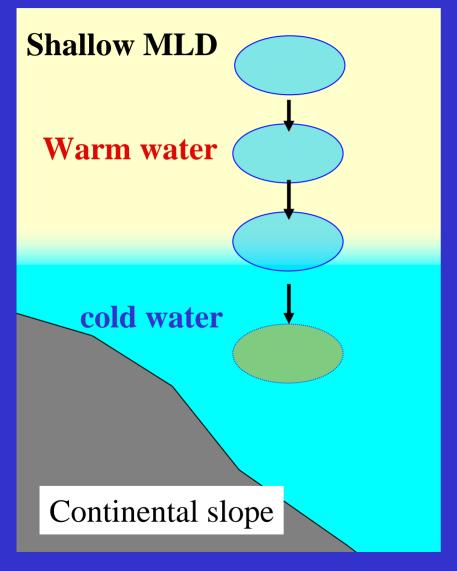
Fig. Annual changes of abundance of *T. pacificus* paralarvae / 1000m³ (Oct-Nov) and CPUE (kg/day, May-Oct, Japan Sea) (Goto *et al*, 2002)

# Stock fluctuations of Japanese common squid (*Todarodes pacificus*) related to climate change

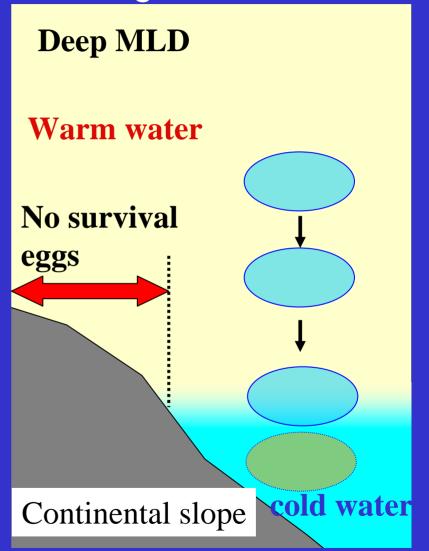
\*How do climatic changes affect stock size through the reproduction and recruitment process? Is it sea water temperature, wind stress or MLD?

\*How do changes of wind stress, sea and air temperature or MLD affect the success of reproduction?

#### Weak wind stress



#### Strong wind stress



# Natural egg mass survey using ROV

ROV (Expert Nova System , KOWA Co.Ltd.)

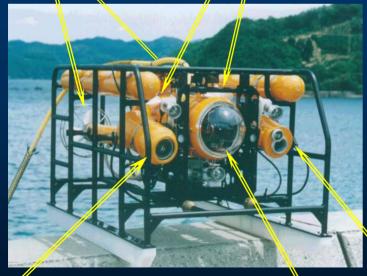
Equipments:

- Two pairs of thrusters
   Horizontal and Vertical
- 3 Cameras

  3CCD, video and 35-mm

  Capacity to resist depth: 400m

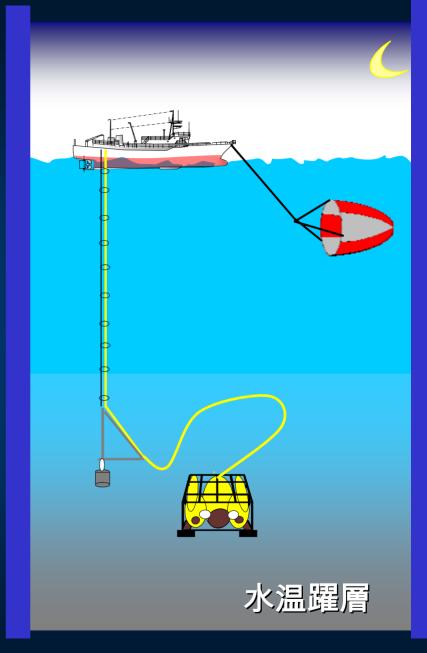
Horizontal thruster Vertical thruster



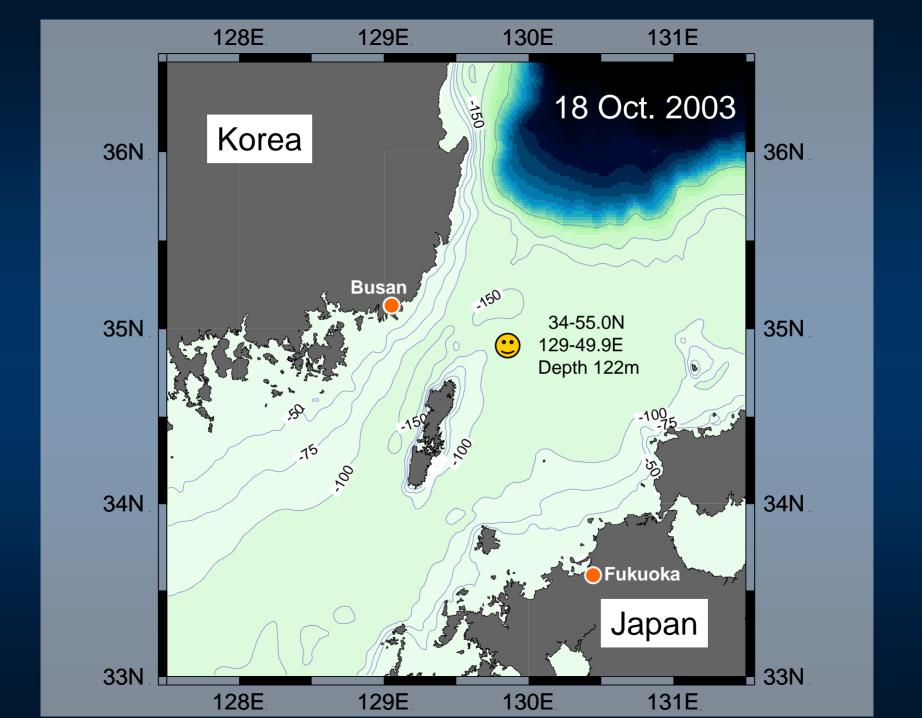
3CCD camera



Video camera



Schema of ROV observation



Gelatinous sphere mass resembling *T. pacificus* egg mass observed by J. Yamamoto (Depth:80m, Temp:21°C, Oct. 18, 2003)



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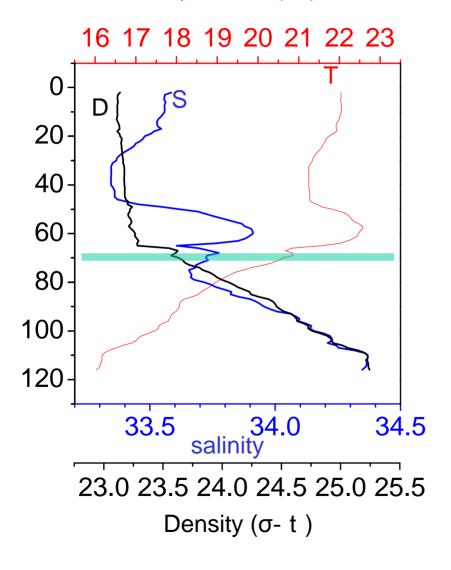




Egg mass of *T.* pacificus in captivity

#### Operation #1 (Otc.18)

Temperature (°C)

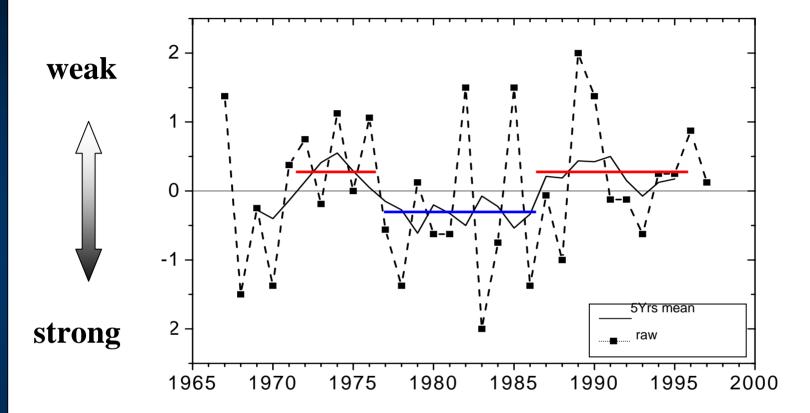


Vertical hydrographic features at the ROV station

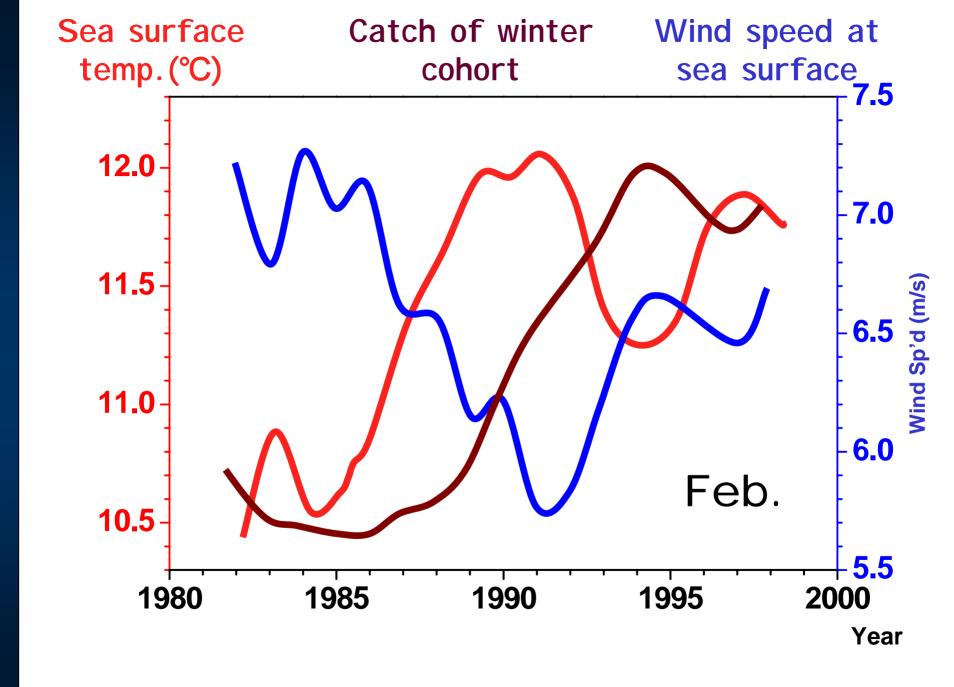
The egg masses of *T. pacificus* are thought to occur within or above the pycnocline at temperatures suitable for egg development (15-23°C)

However, we found a jelly-like mass at 21°C, not in cold water.

### Survey areas for meteorological and MLD analysis 35 -30 -Dec 25 130 125 Jan 125 130 125 Feb 25 130 125 135



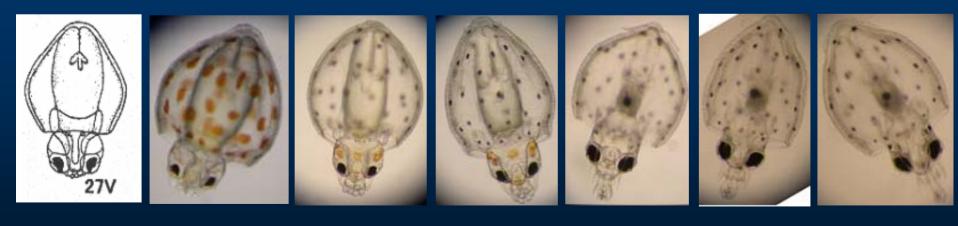
Annual change of Aleutian low pressure index. (Nakamura and Honda, 2002)



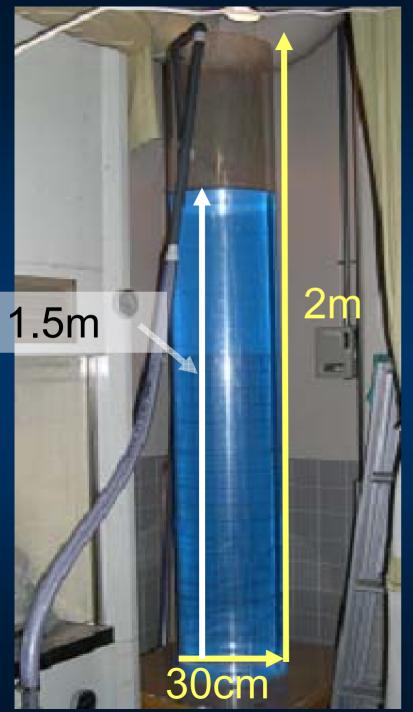
What development stage can hatchlings ascend from near thermocline to the surface in the same temperature range of 15-23°C for normal embryonic development?

(Miyanaga et. al., 2006)

### Development stage of hatchling (Watanabe et al., 1996)

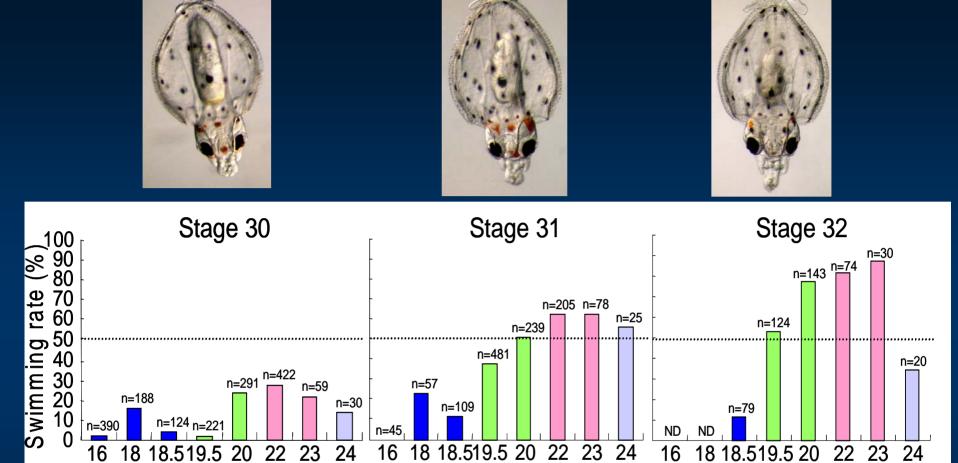


stage2 stage2 stage3 stage3 stage3 stage3 7 8 9 0 1 2 3



Measurement of vertical swimming speed of hatchling at different development stage and temperature (15-23°C) using a transparent columnar tank.





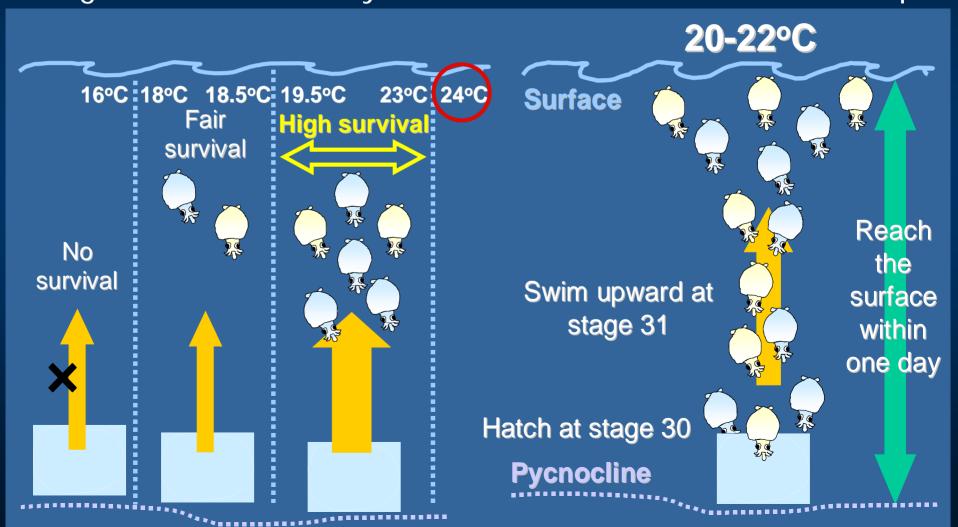
For paralarvae reared at 19.5-23°C, swimming rates were higher at stage 31 than at stage 28-30. Swimming began at stage 31.

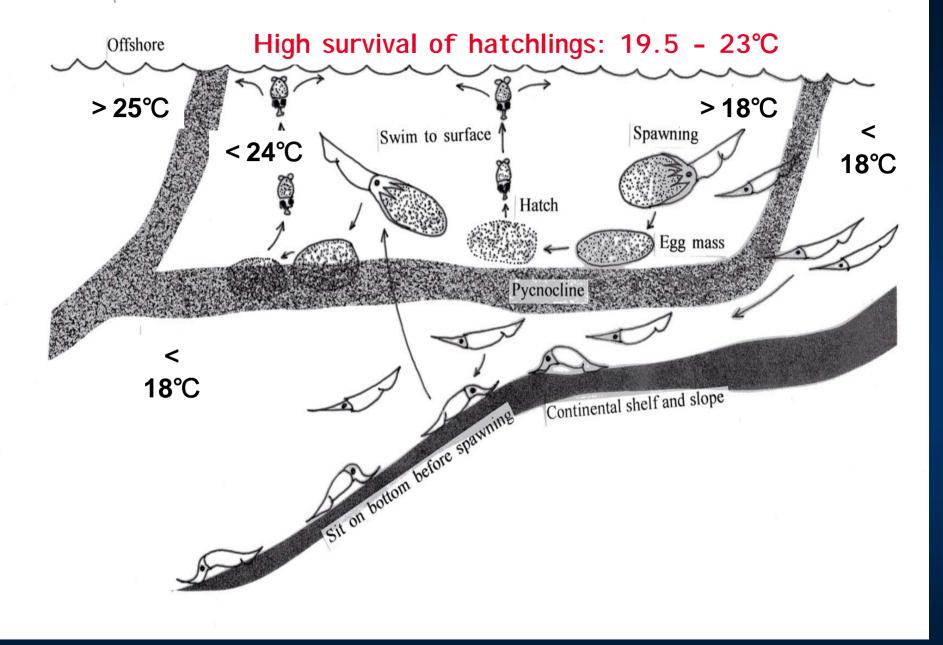
Rearing temperature (°C)

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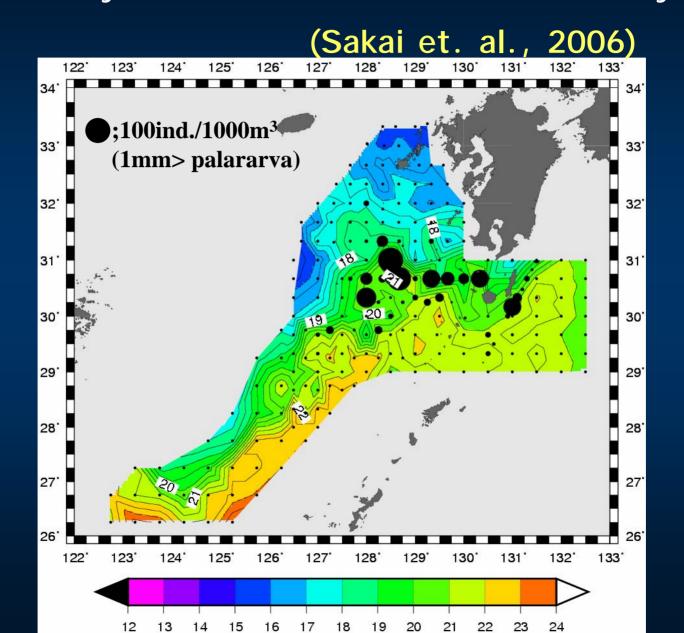
Fair and high survival of eggs and hatchlings occur at 18-23°C, and 19.5-23°C, and can survive at the surface layer of 24°C. Hatch occurs at stage 28-29. Hatchlings stay near the egg mass by stage 30 and ascend to sea surface after stage 31 within one day from a few hundred meters in deep.



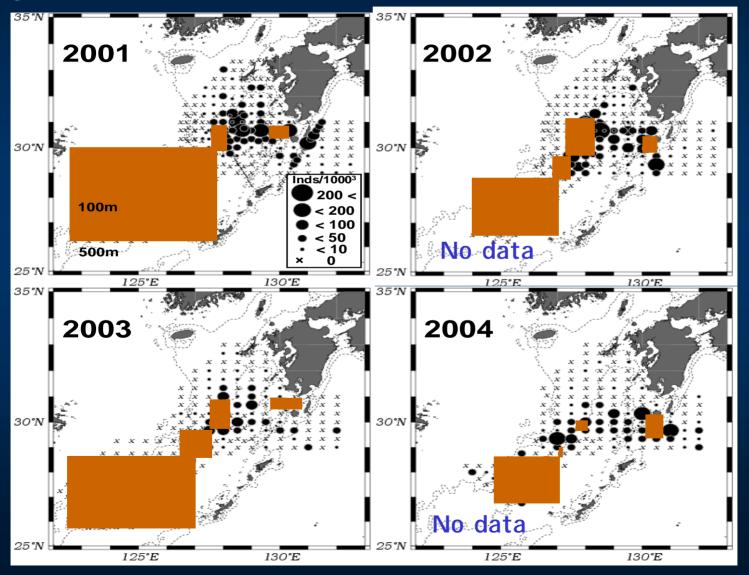


New Schematic view of reproductive processes of *T. pacificus* 

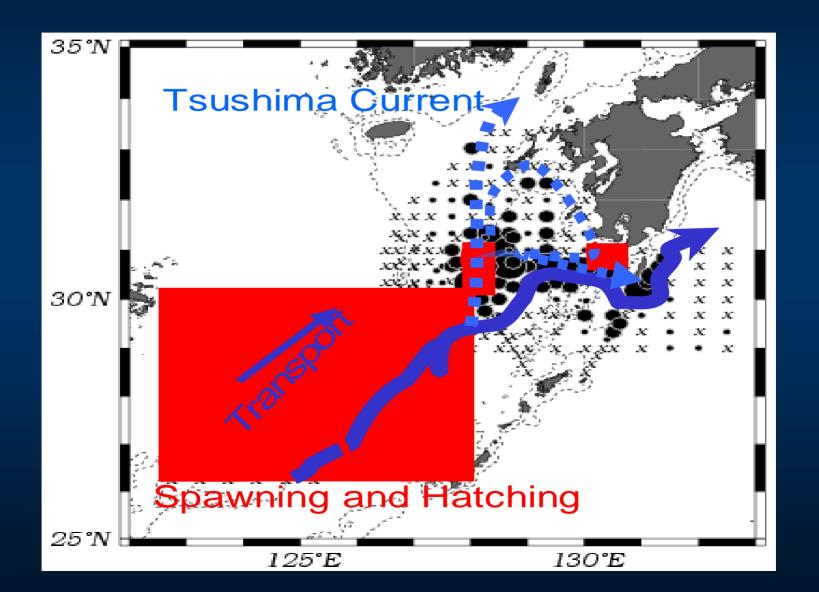
Occurrence of *T. pacificus* hatchlings (<1mm DML) at the sea surface layer in the East China Sea, February 2001

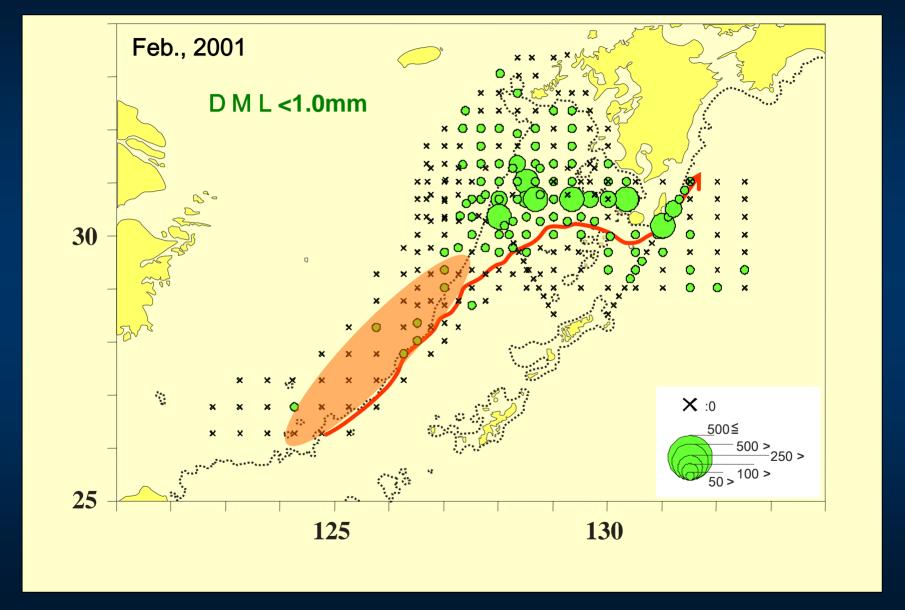


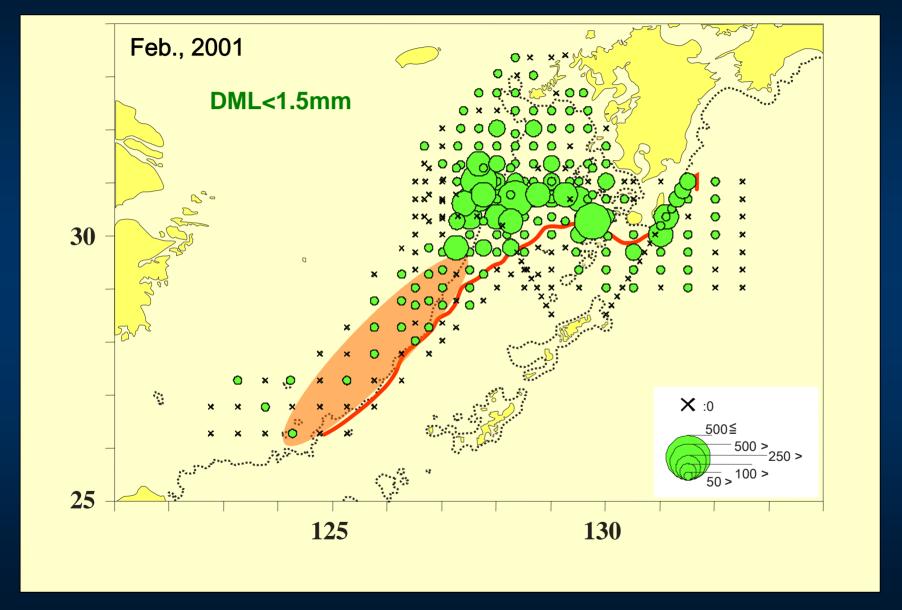
Inferred spawning areas of winter cohort of *T. pacificus* (orange) and distribution of hatchlings (< 1mm DML) during 2001–2004 (Sakai et. al., 2006)

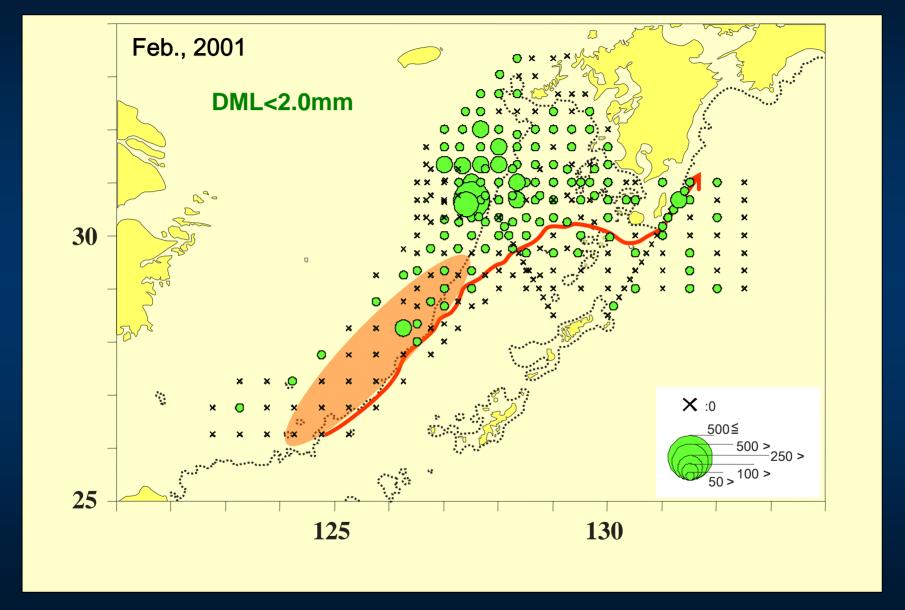


Hatchlings will be transported northeastward by the inner current of Kuroshio along the continental edge and trapped in Kuroshio frontal eddies. (Sakai et. al., 2006)

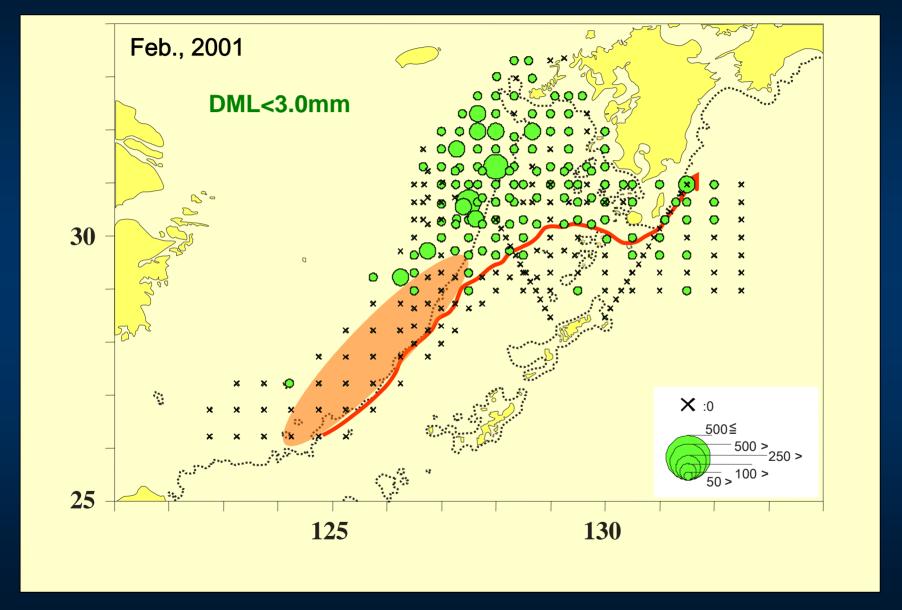


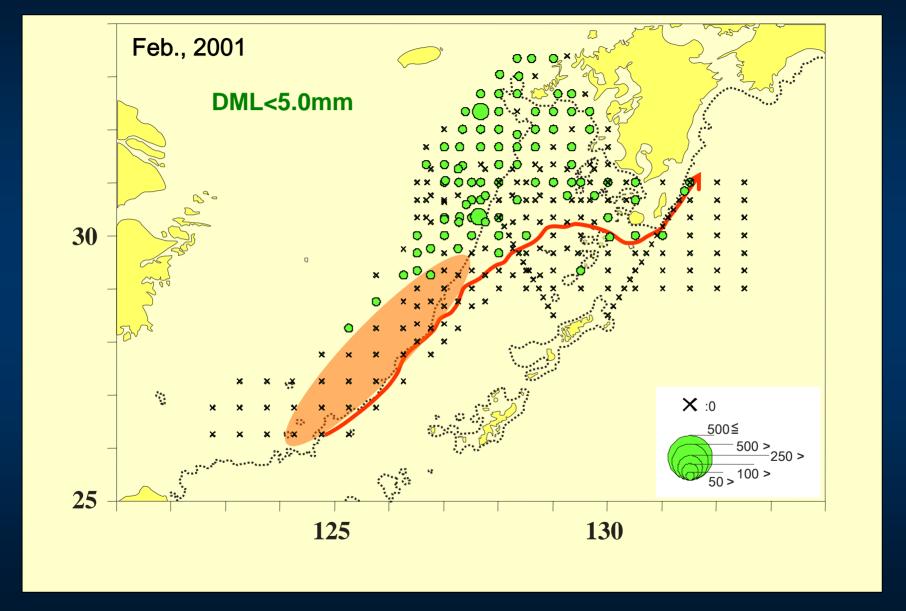




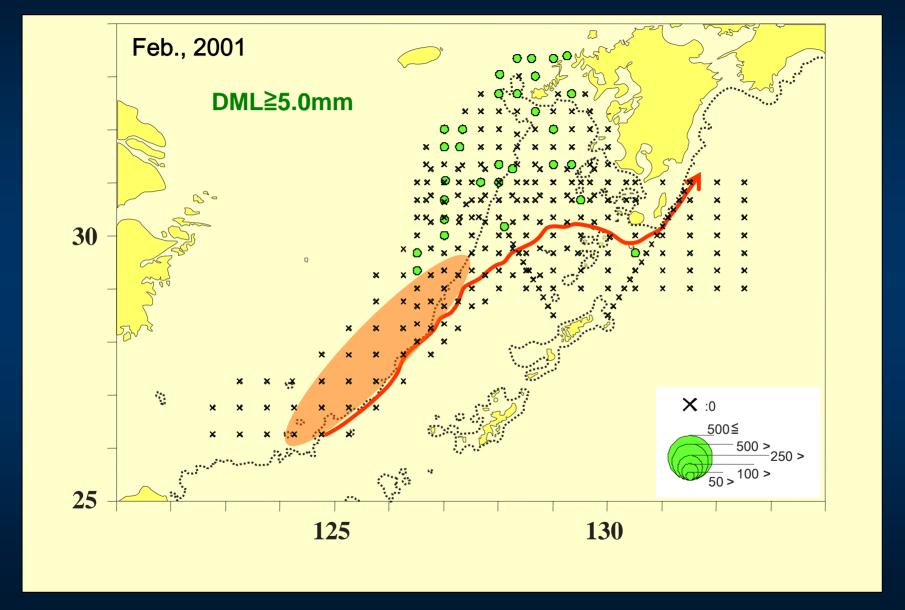


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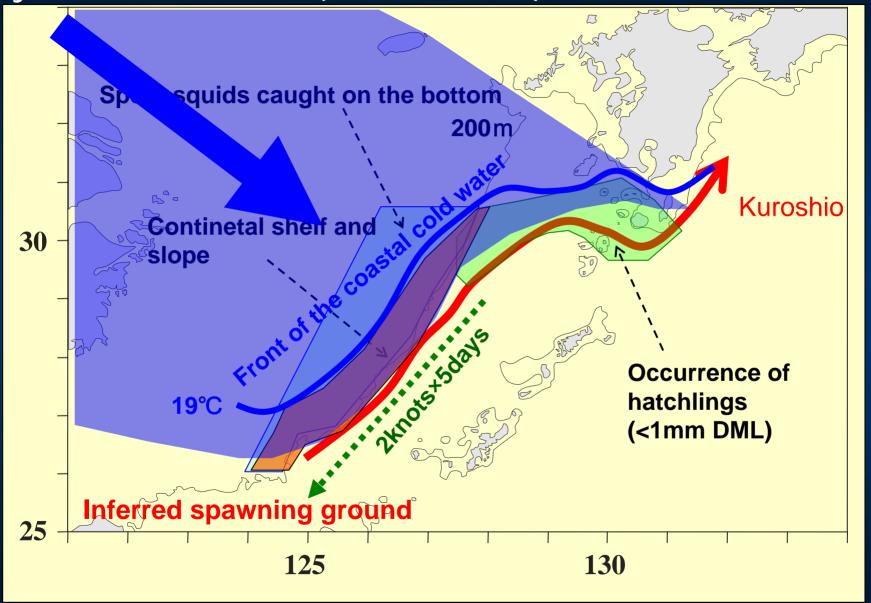


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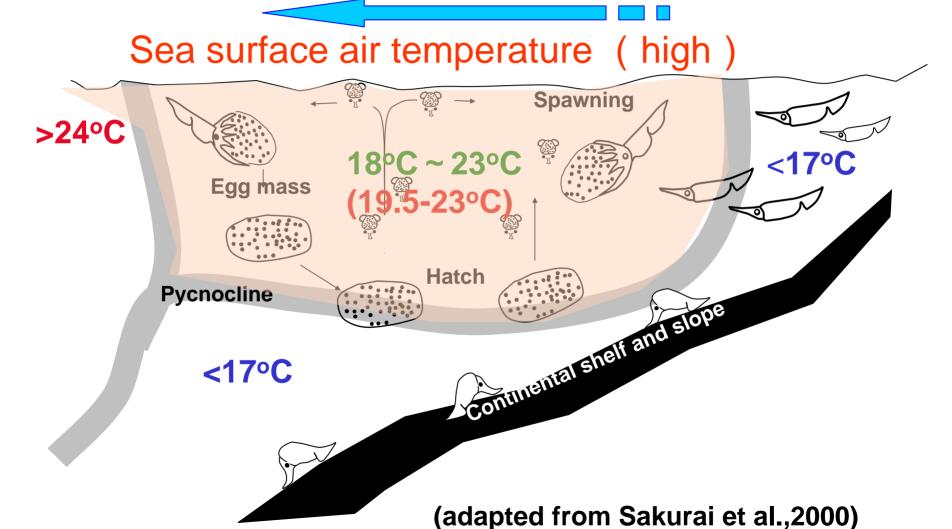
Inferred spawning area of *T. pacificus* during recent years, 2001-2004 (winter cohort).



(Modified from K. Mori, Ph.D. Thesis, Hokkaido University, 2006)

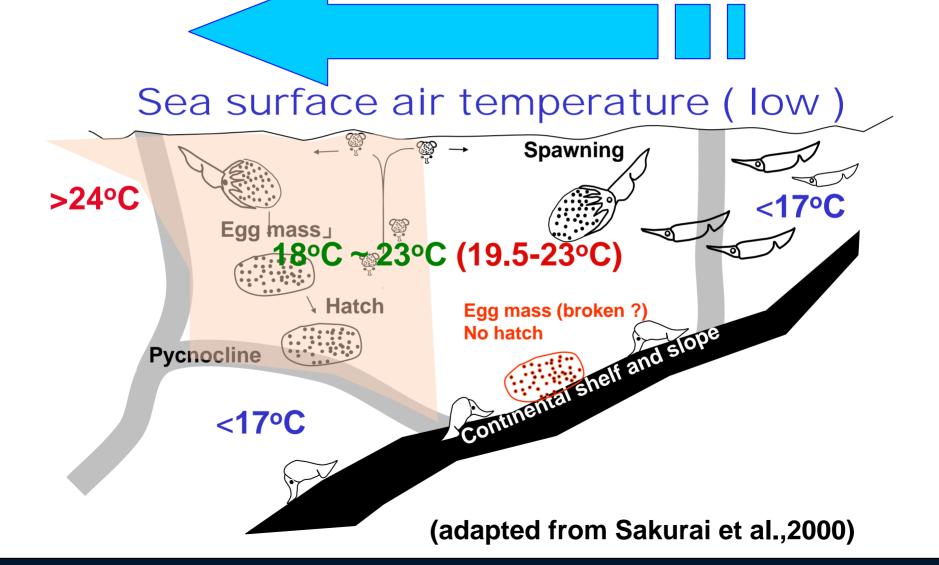
### During warm regime

#### Winter wind stress (weak)



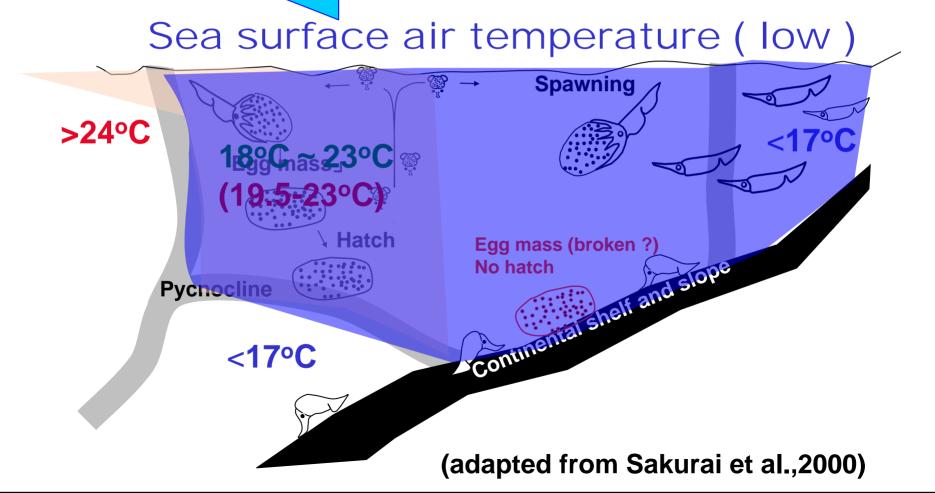
#### Start of cool regime

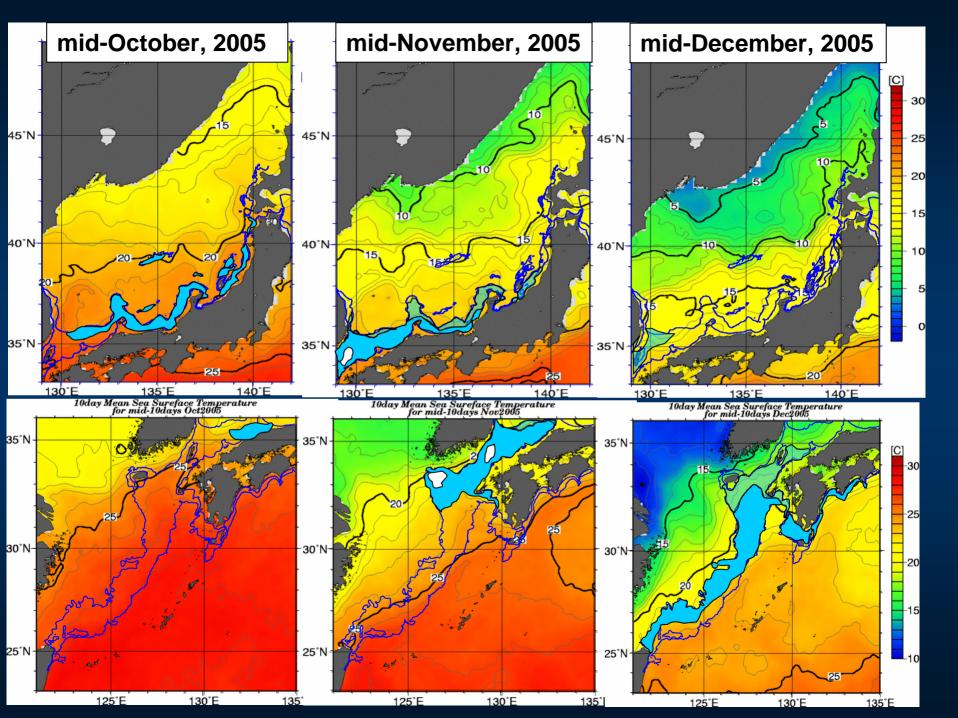
Winter wind stress (gradually strong)

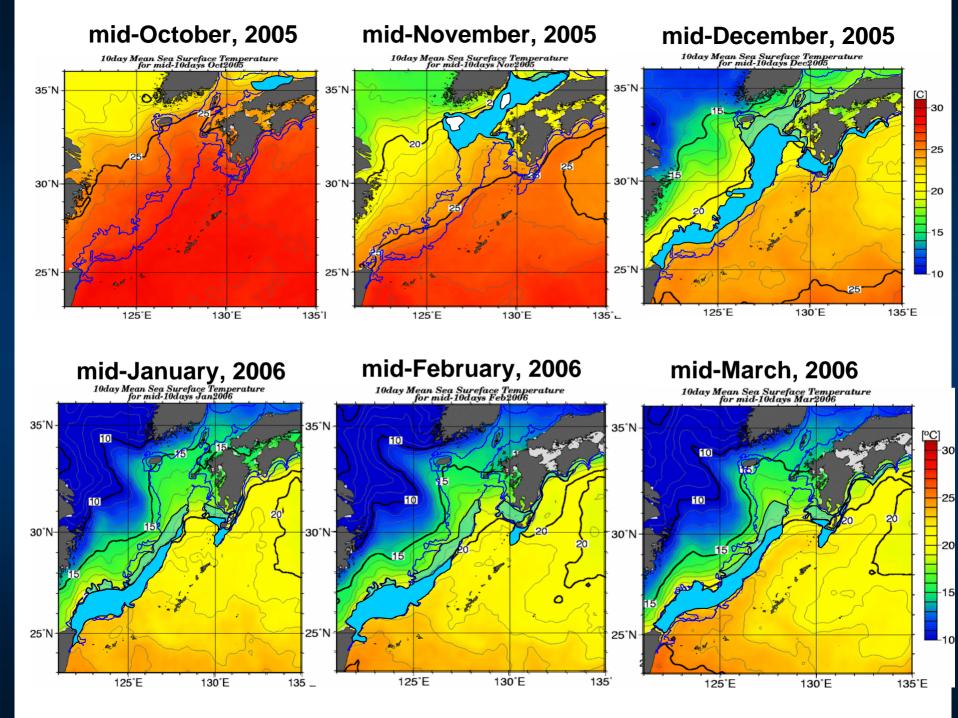


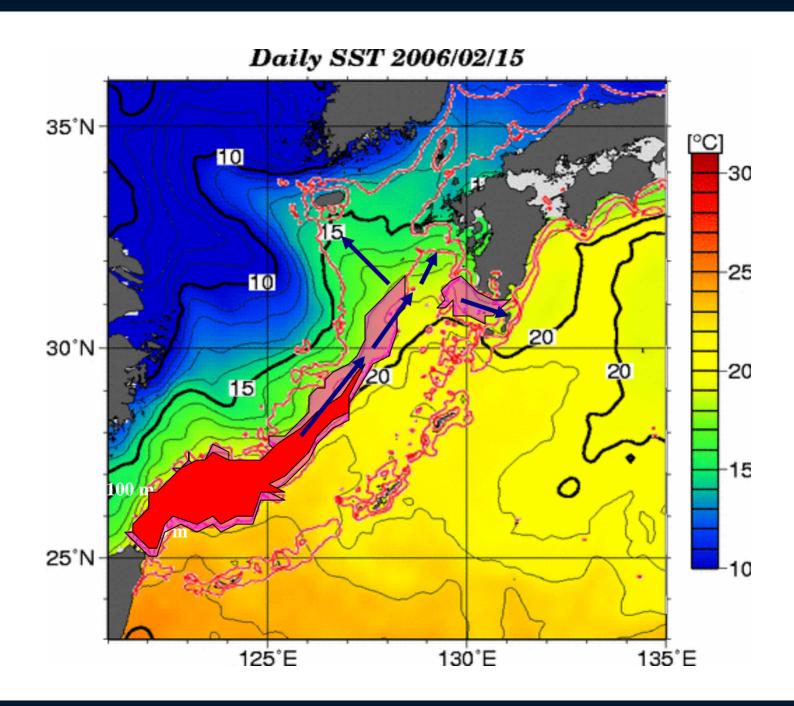
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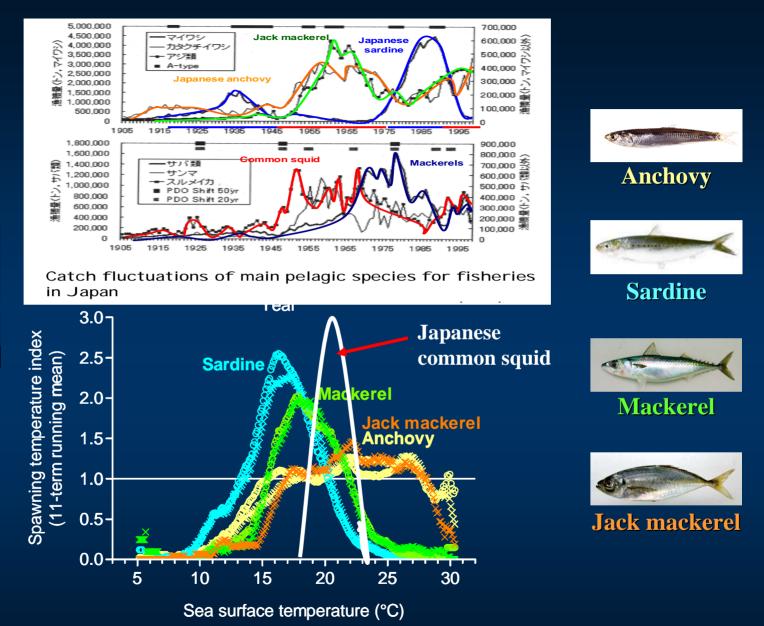
Winter wind stress (very strong)











Similarities and differences in spawning temperature patterns represent those in the long-term population dynamics patterns. (Takasuka, 2006)

## Summary

How to predict stock fluctuations of common squid? (Especially, decline of winter stock during a cool year and regime)

