

Climate effect on spatial-temporal variation of demersal fish assemblages in the Tsushima Current region of Japan Sea

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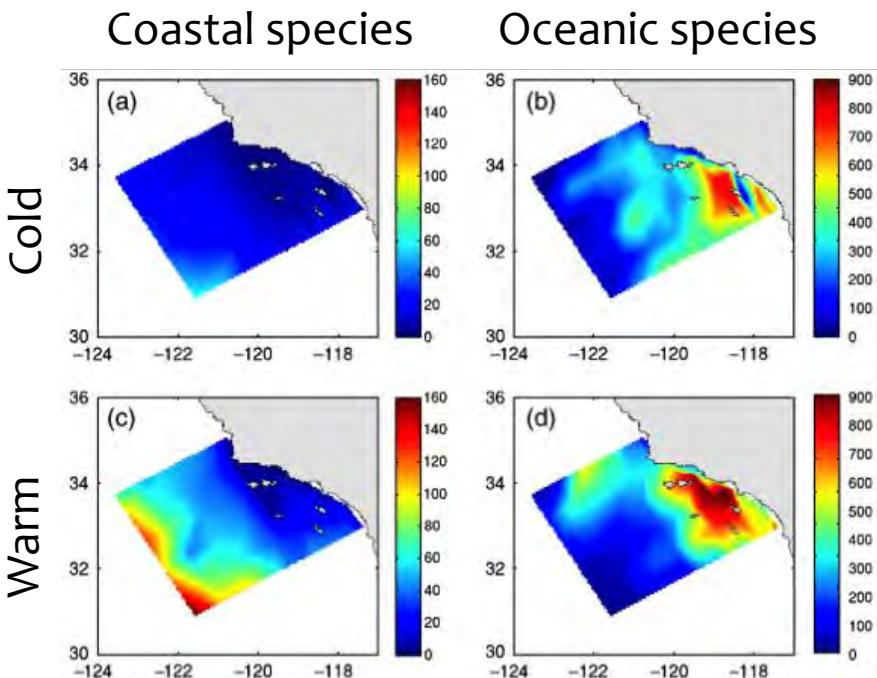
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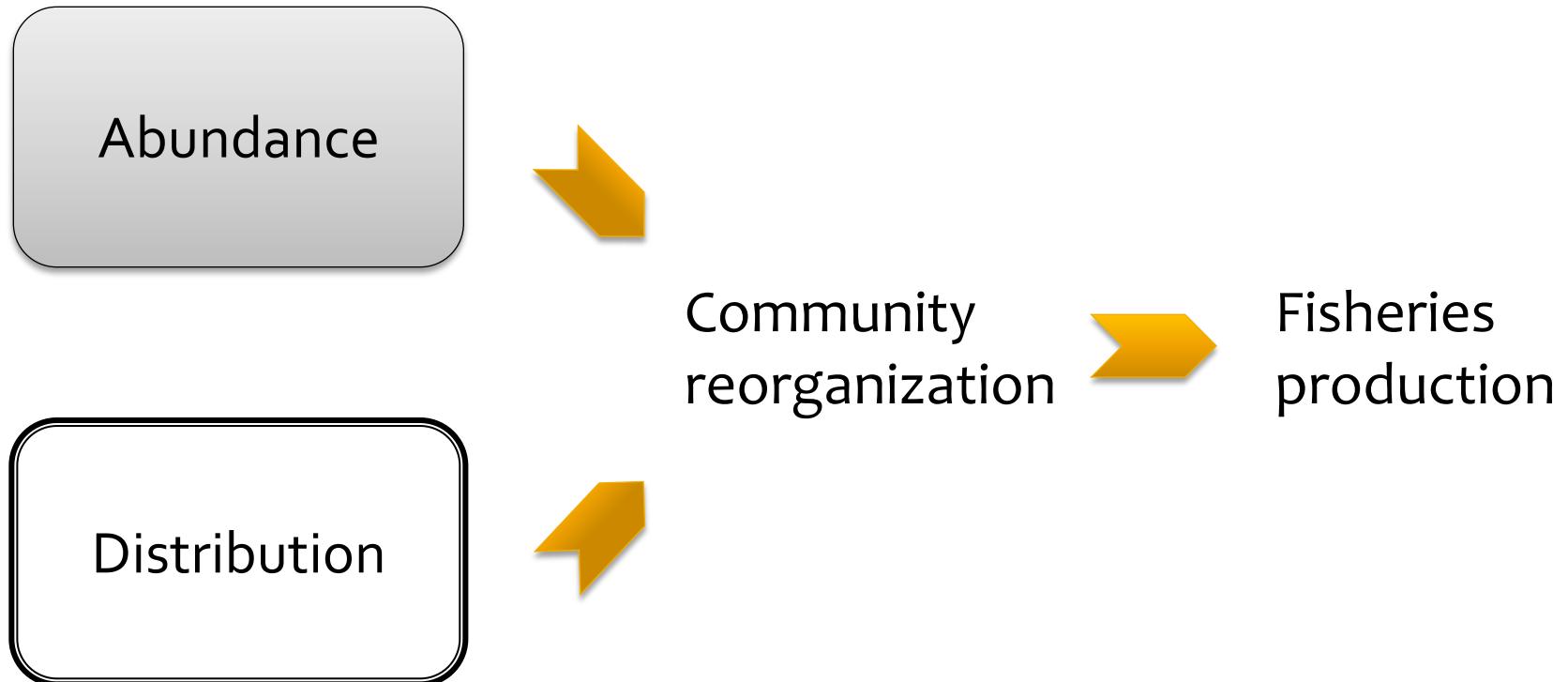
Climate effects on the marine population



CalCOFI fish larvae
Hsieh et al., 2009

- Climate change has significant influences on phenology, geographical distribution and abundance of marine populations
(Stenseth *et al.*, 2002; Walther 2010; Doney *et al.*, 2012; Poloczanska *et al.*, 2013)

From climate effect to fisheries



MacNeil *et al.*, 2010

Why species response differently?

Life history traits

- Age-at-maturation, maximum length
 - Species with same age-at-maturation would fluctuate synchronously (Hsieh *et al.*, 2005)
 - Fast growing, short life-span species are more likely to shift poleward (Perry *et al.*, 2005)

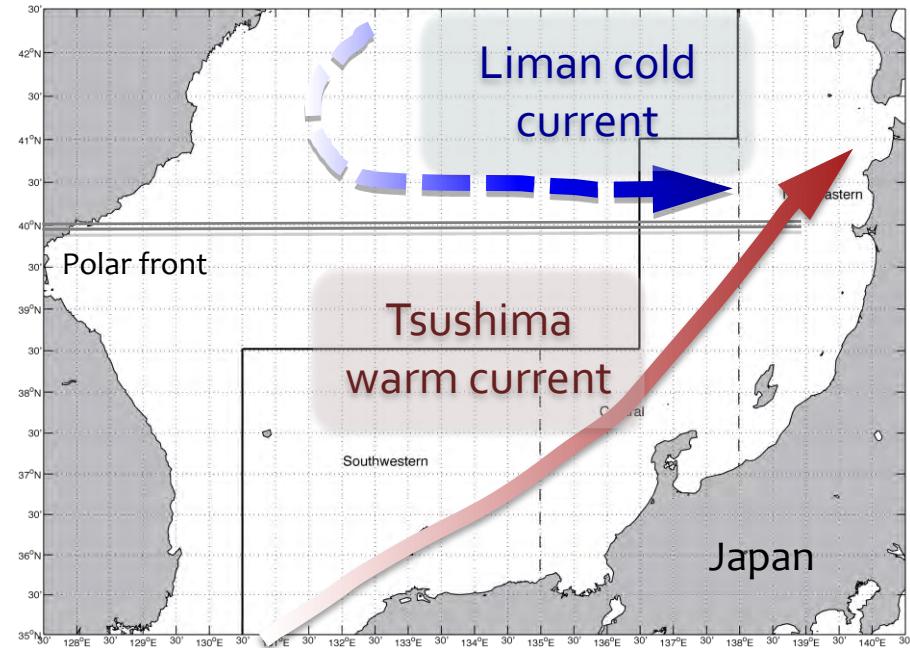
Ecological traits

- Biogeography
 - Southern and northern stock show contrasting responses to warming (Nye *et al.*, 2009)

Japan Sea Ecosystem

- A semi-closed marginal sea influenced by basin-scale climatological event (Naganuma 2000; Watanabe *et al.*, 2003)
 - Shift of plankton biomass and PDO (Chiba *et al.*, 2005)
 - Decadal variation of fish abundance (Tian, 2008)

No systematic study on distributional change of demersal species

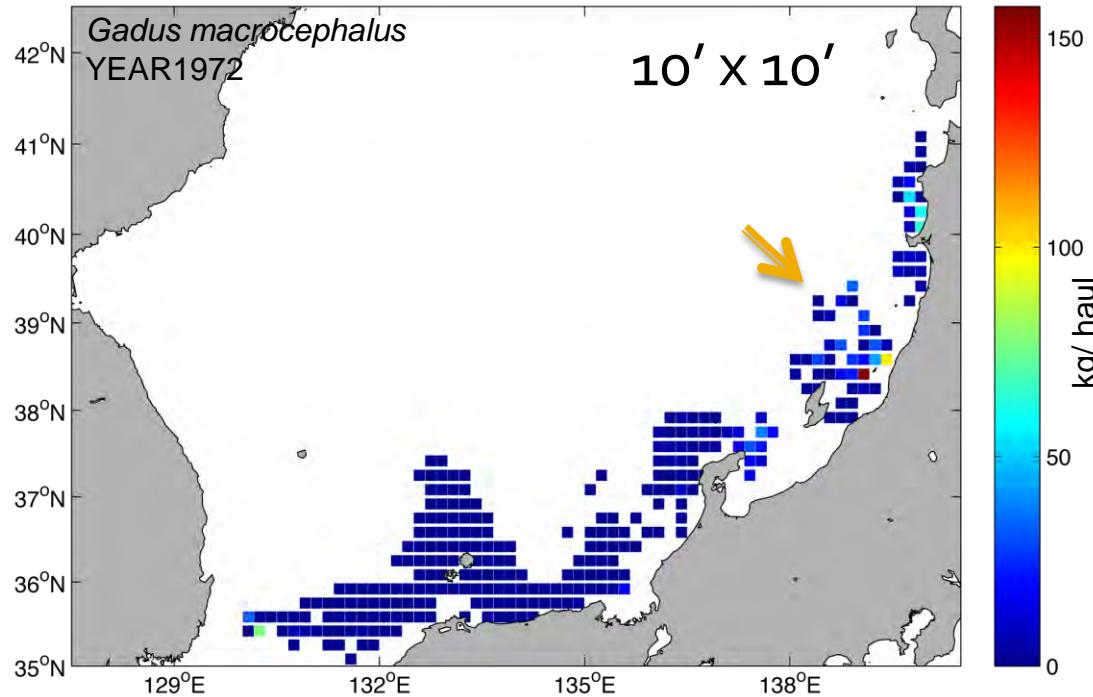


Objectives

- Investigate the climate effects on the temporal variation of abundance and distribution of the demersal fish assemblage in Tsushima current region of Japan Sea
- How well can the differences **ecological and life history traits** explain the species' responses to climate variability?

Demersal fish assemblage

- Japan Sea offshore bottom trawl dataset (JSOBT)
 - Catch & effort of single trawler from 1972 to 2002



Annual CPUE map
Average across
spawning seasons

Co-present of cold and warm water species

(Nishimura, 1966)

Life history traits-

A_m : age-at-maturation

L_{inf} : asymptotic length

Species	Geographic affinity	Depth (m)	A_m	L_{inf}	Spawning season
<i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>	Cold water	200-300	4	91.3	Jan-Mar
<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i>	Cold water	100-500	3	56.1	Dec-Mar
<i>Pleurogrammus azonus</i>	Cold water	<200	2	43.5	Sep-Nov
<i>Arctoscopus japonicus</i>	Cold water	300-500	2	27.8	Dec-Mar
<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Cold water	150-180	10	124.0	Feb-May
<i>Glyptocephalus stelleri</i>	Cold water	200-300	2	58.9	Jan-Apr
<i>Hippoglossoides dubius</i>	Cold water	150-500	5	55.8	Feb-Apr
<i>Pleuronectes herzensteini</i>	Cold water	30-130	2	28.2	Feb-May
<i>Microstomus achne</i>	Cold water	50-400	3	71.5	Feb-Apr
<i>Pandalus eous</i>	Cold water	200-950	4	3.5	Feb-Apr

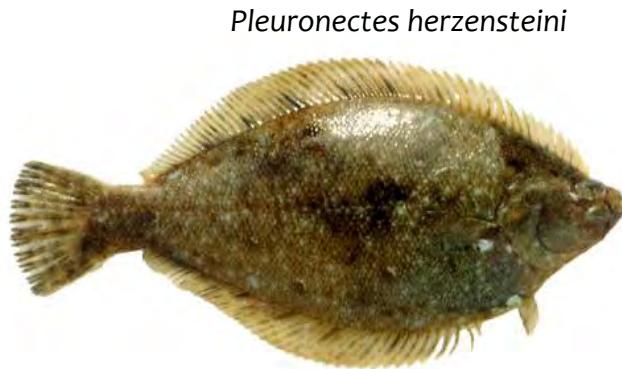
<i>Hippoglossoides pinetorum</i>	Warm water	150-190	2	37.0	Jan-Mar
<i>Eopsetta grigorjewi</i>	Warm water	<140	2	40.8	Feb-Mar
<i>Tanakius kitaharai</i>	Warm water	80-150	2	28.0	Dec-Jan
<i>Glossanodon semifasciatus</i>	Warm water	<200	1	25.5	Jan-Sep
<i>Paralichthys olivaceus</i>	Warm water	<150	2	80.7	Mar-Jul
<i>Pagrus major</i>	Warm water	<100	3	54.4	Apr-Jul
<i>Evynnis japonica</i>	Warm water	30-130	2	34.0	Jul-Sep
<i>Dentex tumifrons</i>	Warm water	<200	2	41.5	Sep-Nov
<i>Lepidotrigla microptera</i>	Warm water	70-140	1	30	Feb-Jun
<i>Trichiurus japonicus</i>	Warm water	20-140	1	65.8	Apr-Oct

Target species of single trawler

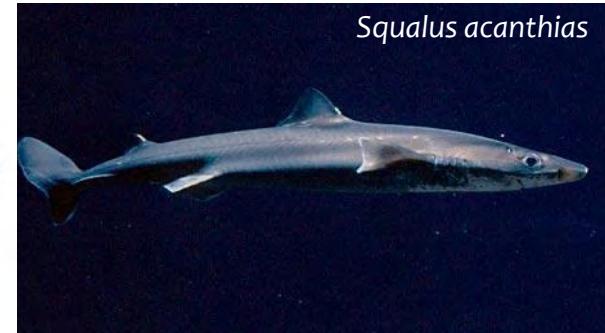
Cold water species



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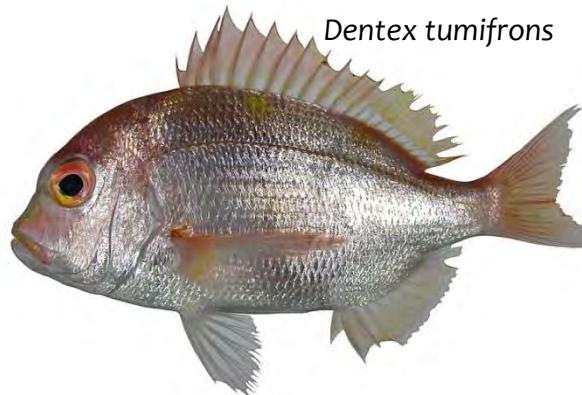


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Warm water species



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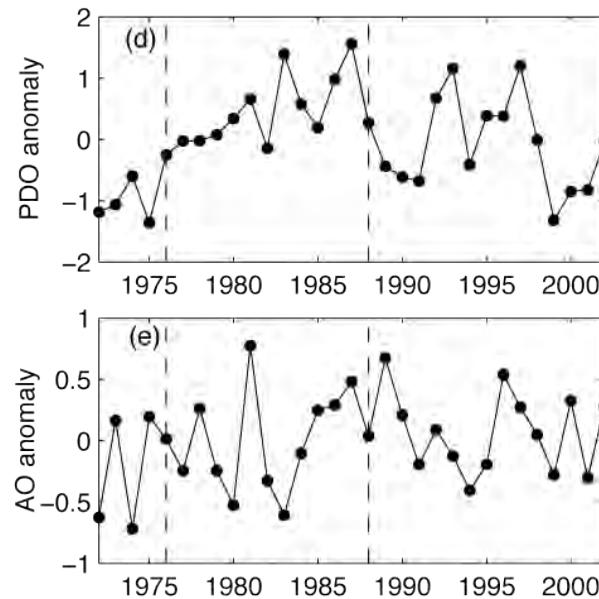
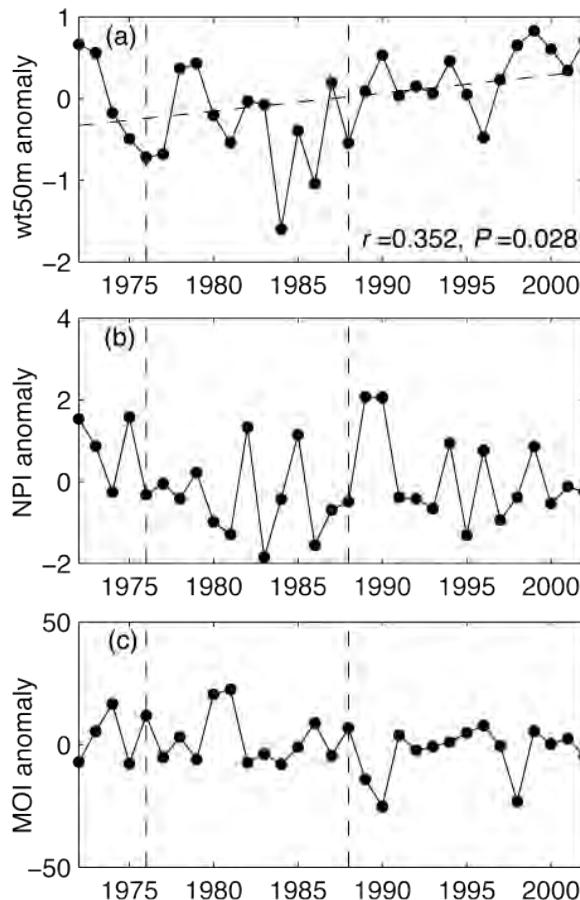


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Environmental variables



Cold period: 1976/77 - 1988/89
Warm period: 1988/89 - 2002

Water temperature at 50m (wt50m)

Pacific Decadal Oscillation (Mantua 2002)

North Pacific Index (Trenberth and Hurrell 1994)

Arctic Oscillation (Thompson and Wallace 2000)

Monsoon Index (Hanawa *et al.*, 1988)

Spatial distribution of single trawl catches and efforts

Annual mean abundance (**CPUE**)

Annual distribution center/
boundary

Interannual

Regression:
Annual abundance
vs
Environmental variables

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Decadal

Randomization test:
Comparing abundances in
the cold and warm periods

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and warm periods

1. Interannual
2. Decadal
3. Both-scale

Logistic regression (**shift/non-shift**)
v.s.
Ecological/Life history traits

Distribution and abundance index

Abundance

- Average of the CPUE value from all the non-zero fishing areas on the annual map

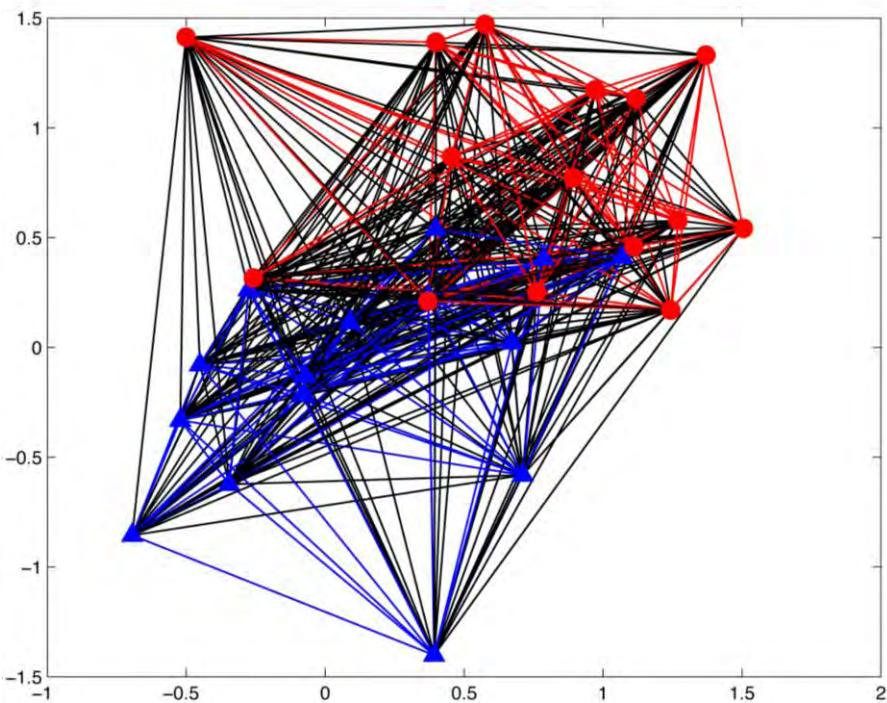
Distribution

- Center: Mean and median latitude
- Boundary: Max/ Min latitude
 - Northern (max. lat) - warm water species
 - Southern (min. lat) - cold water species

Regression analysis with environmental variables

- Use Estimated General Least Square (Ives & Zhu, 2006) to account for serial dependency in the time-series
 - Consider 1-year and 3-year lagged environmental effect
 - When significant correlation exist between abundance and distributional index, we control the abundance for partial regression

Decadal-scale shift in distribution



Significant test by randomization
 $T = \text{Within period} / \text{Betw. period}$
(Hsieh et al., 2008)

Result

- Environmental variations
- Change in geographical distribution
- Change in abundance

Environmental variations

- Complex interaction between atmospheric forcing and local water temperature (wt50m)

	wt50m	PDO	NPI	AO
PDO	-0.367*			
NPI	0.270	-0.661*		
AO	-0.105	0.203	0.063	
MOI	-0.302	0.108	-0.473*	-0.076

Distribution

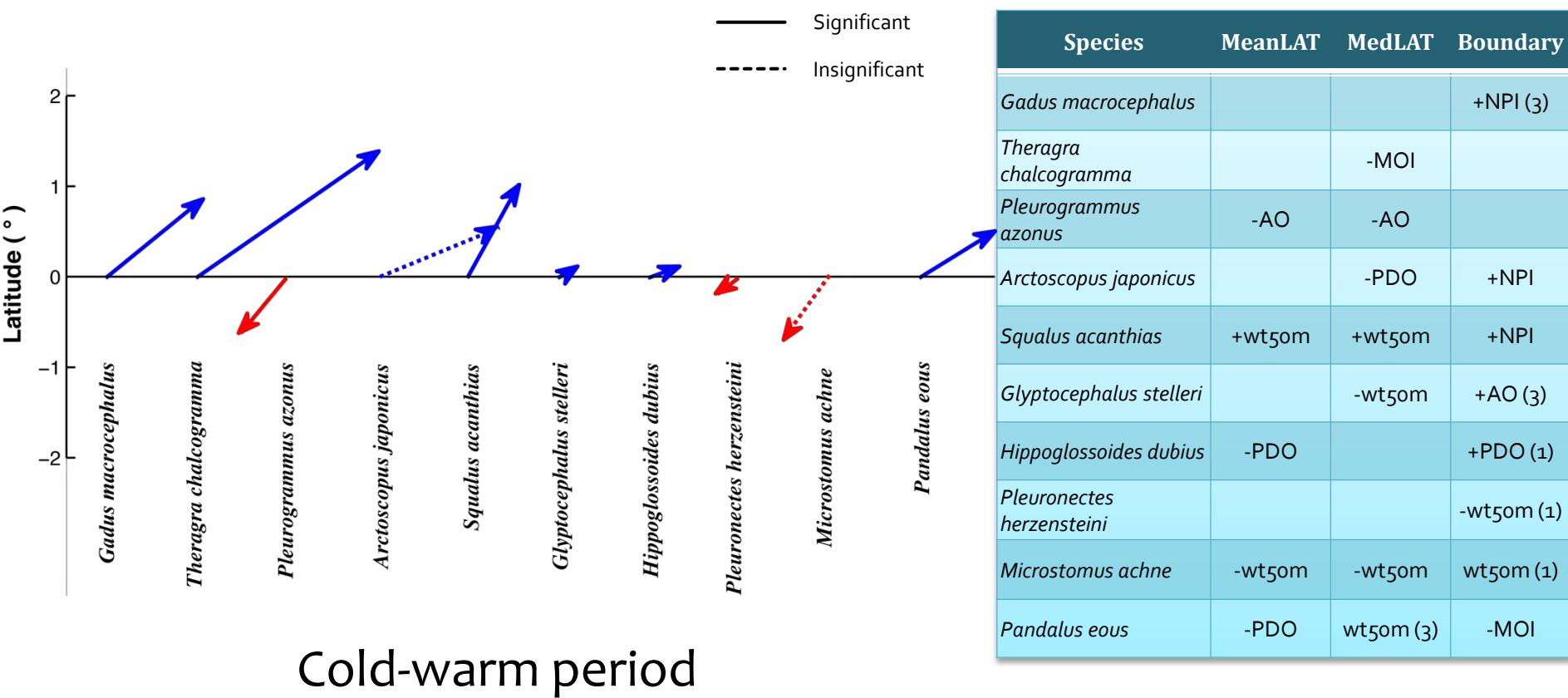
All cold water species were in relation with the environmental variable

Over 55% of species has significant shift from cold to warm period

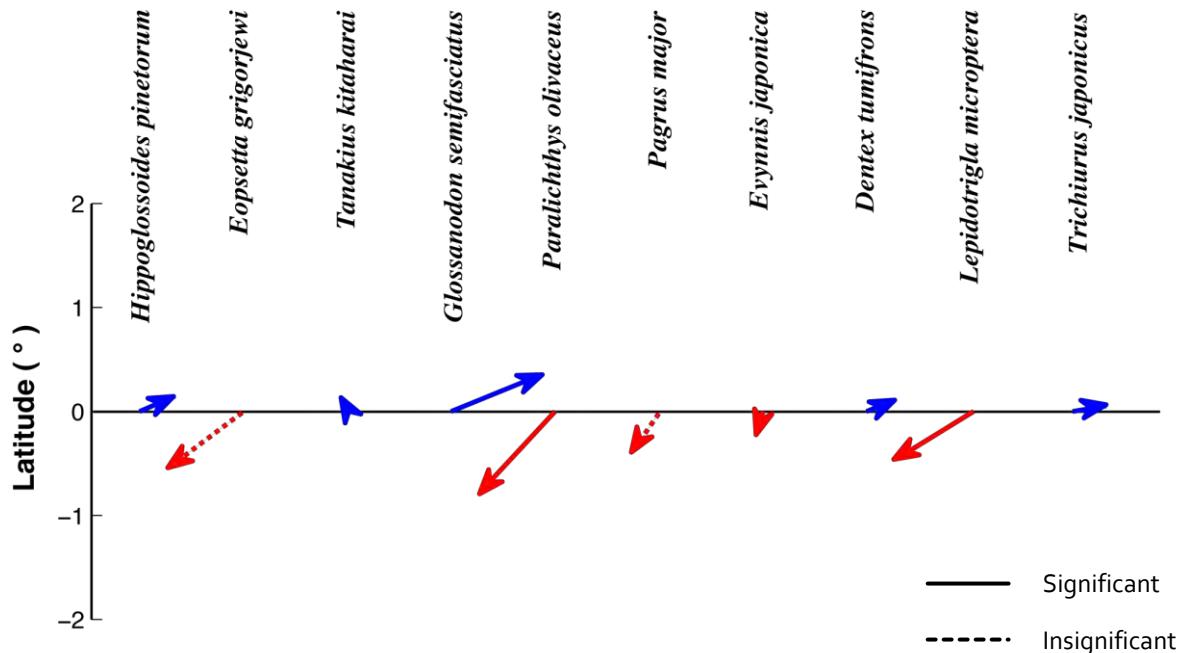
Species	Geographic affinity	MeanLAT	MedLAT	Boundary	Shift in Distribution	Abundance	Shift in Abundance
<i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>	Cold water			+NPI (3)	+	+AO (1)	
<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i>	Cold water		-MOI		+	-AO	
<i>Pleurogrammus azonus</i>	Cold water	-AO	-AO		+	-wt50m	-35.2524
<i>Arctoscopus japonicus</i>	Cold water		-PDO	+NPI		-PDO	-17.7438
<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Cold water	+wt50m	+wt50m	+NPI	+	-PDO (1)	-20.5291
<i>Glyptocephalus stelliferi</i>	Cold water		-wt50m	+AO (3)			-4.2561
<i>Hippoglossoides dubius</i>	Cold water	-PDO		+PDO (1)	+	-PDO (1)	-11.7849
<i>Pleuronectes herzensteini</i>	Cold water			-wt50m (1)		-PDO	-0.9105
<i>Pleuronectidae (Microstomus achne)</i>	Cold water	-wt50m	-wt50m	wt50m (1)	+	NPI (1)	-1.6959
<i>Pandalus eous</i>	Cold water	-PDO	wt50m (3)	-MOI	+	-AO (1)	

<i>Hippoglossoides pinetorum</i>	Warm water				+		
<i>Eopsetta grigorjewi</i>	Warm water			+AO		PDO (1)	
<i>Tanakius kitaharai</i>	Warm water					+MOI	
<i>Glossanodon semifasciatus</i>	Warm water	+MOI			+	+MOI (3)	
<i>Paralichthys olivaceus</i>	Warm water	-NPI (1)	-NPI (1)		+	-NPI (3)	-0.8323
<i>Pagrus major</i>	Warm water	+NPI (1)	+wt50m	+PDO (3)		+wt50m	0.5094
<i>Evynnis japonica</i>	Warm water				+	+AO (3)	1.5133
<i>Dentex tumifrons</i>	Warm water	+wt50m (1)	+NPI (1)	-wt50m	+	+MOI (1)	0.9436
<i>Lepidotrigla microptera</i>	Warm water	+wt50m (1)	-NPI	-wt50m	+	+MOI (3)	
<i>Trichiurus japonicus</i>	Warm water				+		-1.0378

Cold water species



Warm water species



Species	MeanLAT	MedLAT	Boundary
<i>Hippoglossoides pinetorum</i>			
<i>Eopsetta grigorjewi</i>			+AO
<i>Tanakius kitaharai</i>			
<i>Glossanodon semifasciatus</i>	+MOI		
<i>Paralichthys olivaceus</i>	-NPI (1)	-NPI (1)	
<i>Pagrus major</i>	+NPI (1)	+wt50m	+PDO (3)
<i>Evynnis japonica</i>			
<i>Dentex tumifrons</i>	+wt50m (1)	+NPI (1)	-wt50m
<i>Lepidotrigla microptera</i>	+wt50m (1)	-NPI	-wt50m
<i>Trichiurus japonicus</i>			

Effect from ecological and life history traits

	Interannual			Decadal			Both		
	AIC	b	p value	AIC	b	p value	AIC	b	p value
Affinity	17.460	-19.161	0.033	27.675	0.154	0.876	28.917	-1.099	0.245
A_m	21.190	1.061	0.287	26.943	0.29	0.438	27.459	0.658	0.152
L_{inf}	22.323	0.032	0.317	26.943	0.045	0.134	26.673	0.044	0.078

Affinity: cold/warm water

A_m : age at maturation

L_{inf} : asymptotic length

Physiological basis of geographical affinity

■ Thermal tolerance limit

- Generally narrower in Cold-water species with subarctic origin than warm-water species

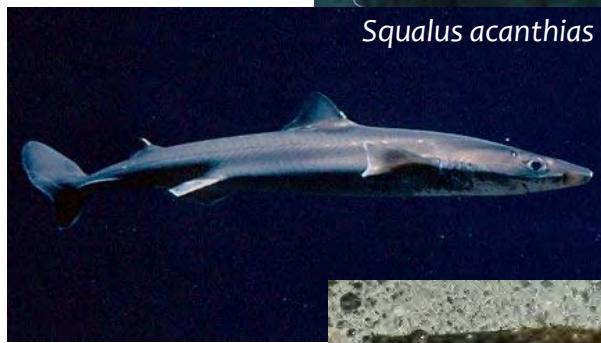
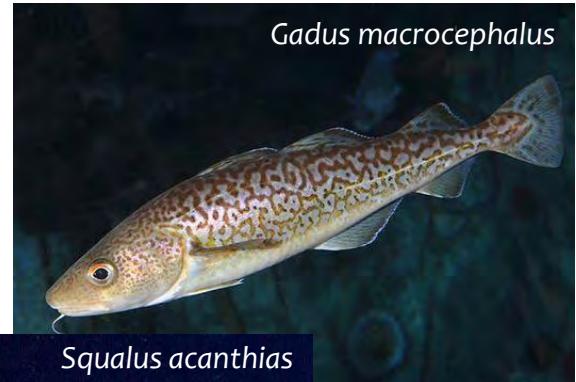
(Pörtner and Peck, 2010)

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Potential fishing impact indicated by body length

- Large species are mostly important fisheries targets

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Species interaction

- Habitat quantity is important for juvenile settlement of demersal species (Gibson *et al.*, 1994; Van der Veer 2000)
- Such interactions may play a role in mediating the response to climate change

	Distribution
Interannual	Geographical affinity
Decadal	x
Interannual + Decadal	Asymptotic length

Shift in abundance

Cold water

Species	Decadal (Warm-Cold)	Interannual
<i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>	-0.9943	AO (1)
<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i>	-1.7222	-AO
<i>Pleurogrammus azonus</i>	-35.2524	-wt50m (3)
<i>Arctoscopus japonicus</i>	-17.7438	-PDO
<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	-20.5291	-PDO (1)
<i>Glyptocephalus stelleri</i>	-4.2561	
<i>Hippoglossoides dubius</i>	-11.7849	-PDO (1)
<i>Pleuronectes herzensteini</i>	-0.9105	-PDO
<i>Microstomus achne</i>	-1.6959	NPI (1)
<i>Pandalus eous</i>	-0.4656	-AO (1)

Warm water

Species	Decadal (Warm-Cold)	Interannual
<i>Hippoglossoides pinetorum</i>	-2.2135	
<i>Eopsetta grigorjewi</i>	-0.3874	PDO (1)
<i>Tanakius kitaharai</i>	-0.2805	MOI
<i>Glossanodon semifasciatus</i>	-6.4419	MOI (3)
<i>Paralichthys olivaceus</i>	-0.8323	-NPI (3)
<i>Pagrus major</i>	0.5094	wt50m
<i>Evynnis japonica</i>	1.5133	AO (3)
<i>Dentex tumifrons</i>	0.9436	MOI (1)
<i>Lepidotrigla microptera</i>	-0.0886	MOI (3)
<i>Trichiurus japonicus</i>	-1.0378	

Some warm water species increase while most of cold water species decrease significantly

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Affinity	20.287	-0.693	0.596	27.398	-1.253	0.210	28.917	-1.099	0.245
A_m	18.353	1.244	0.331	27.965	0.334	0.361	27.459	0.658	0.152
L_{inf}	20.560	-0.003	0.907	27.668	0.025	0.273	29.796	0.013	0.488

None of the variable can explain the change in abundance!

Why?

- Nonlinearity in response to environmental forcing
 - Biological population can amplify the environmental noise and tend to be highly fluctuated (*Hsieh et al., 2005*)
- Fishing effect
 - The exploited species can show higher temporal variability (*Hsieh et al., 2006*)

Conclusion

	Distribution	Abundance
Interannual	Geographical affinity	x
Decadal	x	x
Interannual + Decadal	Asymptotic length	x

- It would be difficult to predict species' response to climate change based on single factor
 - Need to consider the effect of species interaction and biological nonlinear amplification

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