Ecological characteristics of phytoplankton community in the East China Sea

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1 Research methods -

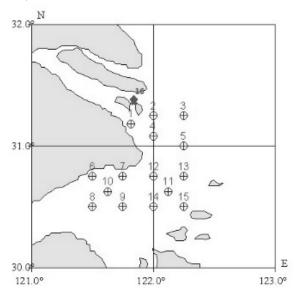


Fig.1 Survey stations

Yangtze Estuary Fishery West(I): 1-5 Hangzhou Bay pomfret spawning grounds(Π): 6-10

Zhoushan Fishery West(${\rm I\hspace{-.1em}I\hspace{-.1em}I}$): 11-15



Fig.2 Survey methods

According to *specifications for oceanographic survey*

Data analysis

1. Phytoplankton advantage $(Y): Y = \frac{n_i}{r} \cdot f_i$

Y≥0.01 are the advantage species

- 2. Biodiversity
- 3. Multiple analysis

- 2、Result -

2.1Phytoplankton abundance distribution and diversity

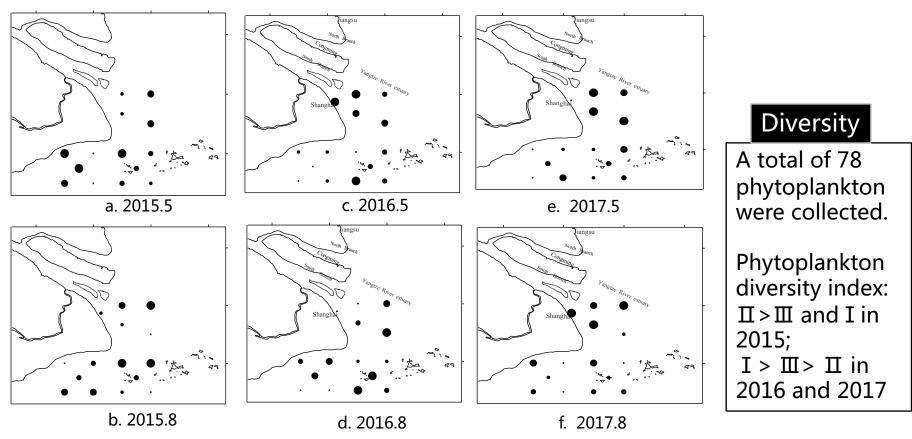
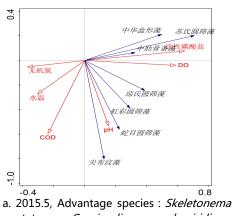


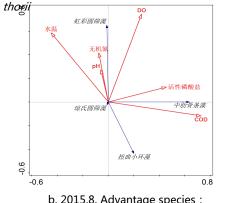
Fig.3 2015-2017 the abundance of phytoplankton in the investigate sea (unit : cell·m⁻³)

2.2Redundancy analysis

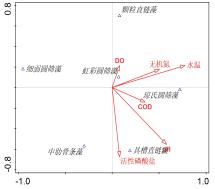
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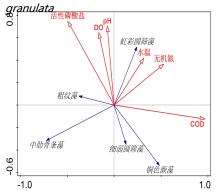
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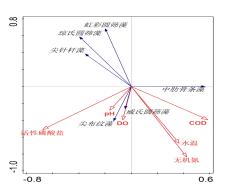
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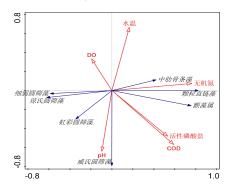
c. 2016.5 , Advantage species : *Skeletonema* costatum, Coscinodiscus jonesianus, Coscinodiscus oculus-iridis, Melosira



d. 2016.8, Advantage species : *Skeletonema costatum*



e. 2017.5, Advantage species: Skeletonema costatum, Synedra acus, Coscinodiscus oculus-iridis, Coscinodiscus wailesii



f. 2017.8, Advantage species : Skeletonema costatum, Oscillatoria, Coscinodiscus oculus-iridis

Fig.4 Redundancy analysis of main phytoplankton species' s abundance and environmental factors

3.Conclusion

- 3.1 The results show that the dominant species of phytoplankton in spring are mainly composed of *Coccinodiscus oculus-iridis*, *Coccinodiscus jonesianus* and *Skeletonema costatum*, and the dominant species in summer are *Skeletonema costatum*.
- 3.2 According to the investigation, the number of phytoplankton in the coastal waters of the East China Sea is significantly higher than that in the continental shelf of the East China Sea.
- 3.3 The redundancy analysis results show that from the spring of 2015 to 2017, the environmental factors that have a great impact on phytoplankton in the investigated sea area are active phosphate, water temperature and pH; From the summer of 2015 to 2017, the environmental factors that have a great impact on phytoplankton in the investigated sea area are dissolved oxygen, chemical oxygen demand, active phosphate and inorganic nitrogen.