



Investigating the impacts of climate and fishing on fish populations and ecosystems in China's shelf seas using multiple models

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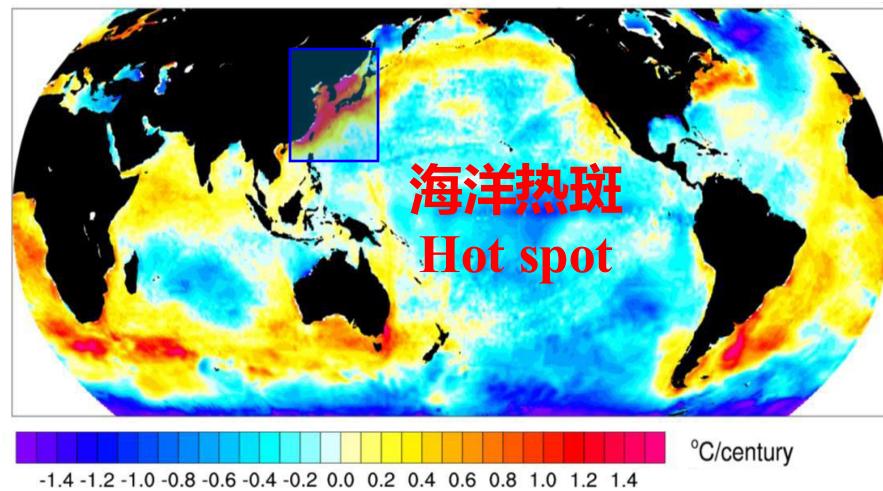
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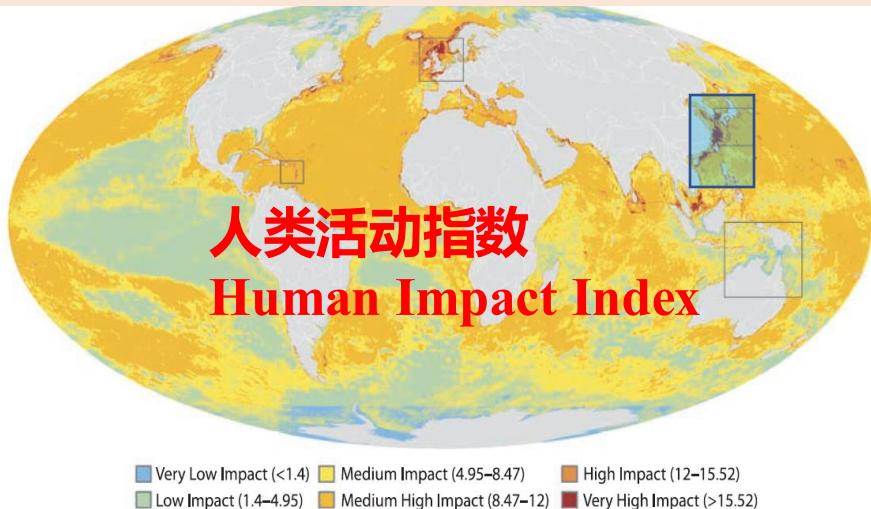
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1. Current status of Chinese marine fisheries
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Northwest Pacific under multiple pressures



The impact of global change
is most pronounced in the
Northwest Pacific

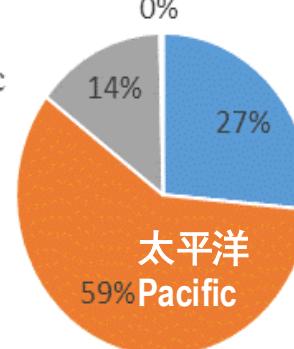


High Production

Northwest Pacific
contributes to
30% of the total
world fishery
production
(FAO, 2020)

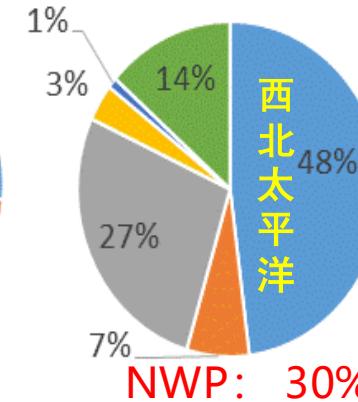
World fishery production

- Atlantic
- Pacific
- Indian
- Polar



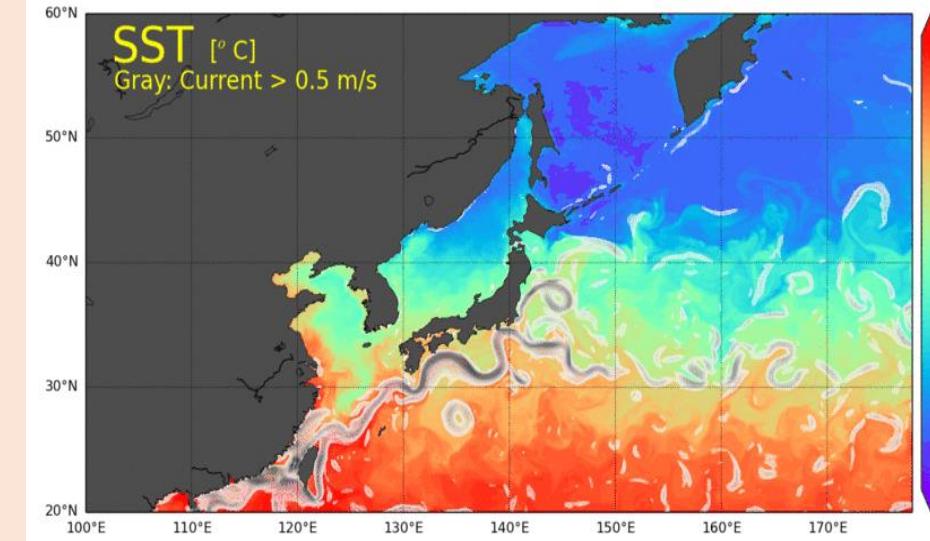
Pacific: 60%

Pacific Ocean



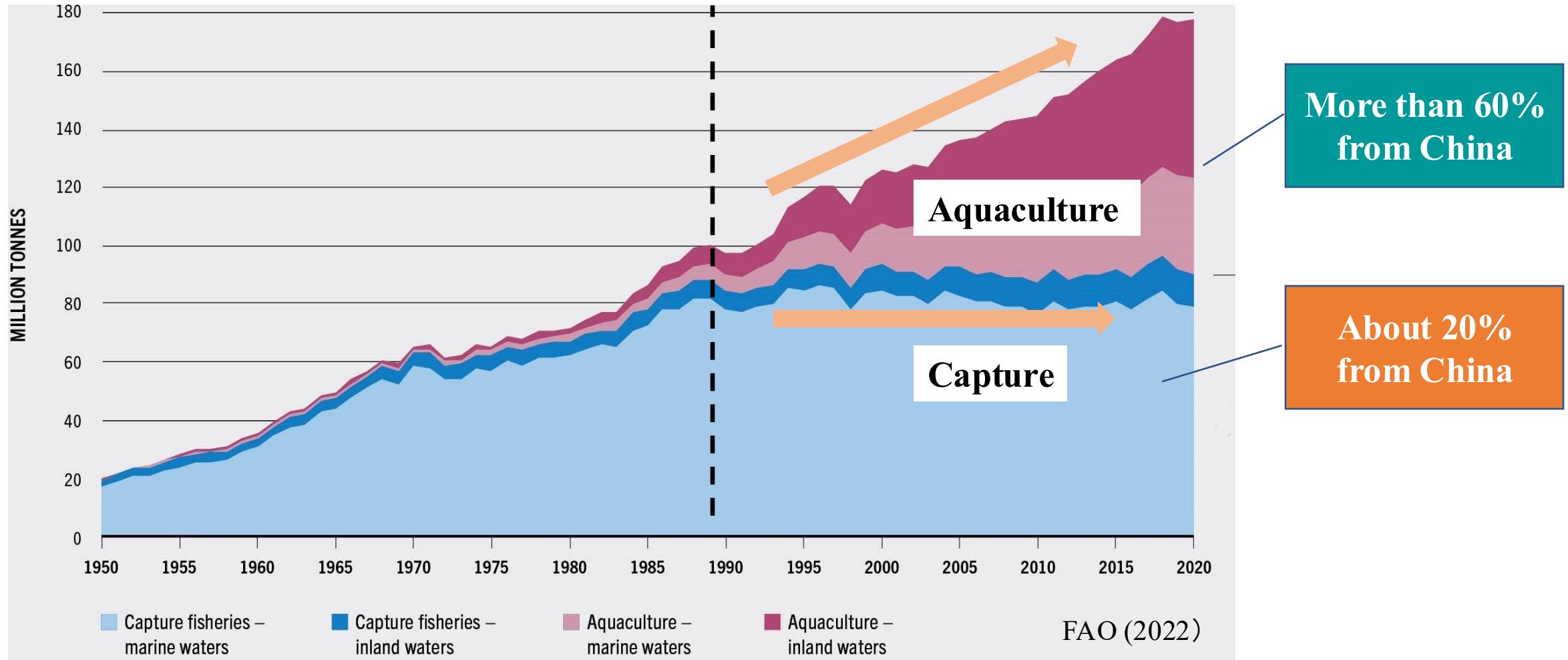
- NW
- NE
- WC
- EC
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- SE

Multi-scale,
dynamic oceanic
systems with
linkage to basin-
scale climate
variability such
as PDO, ENSO
and AMO.



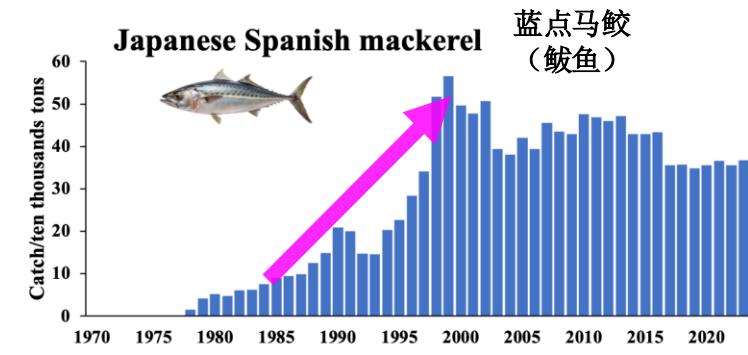
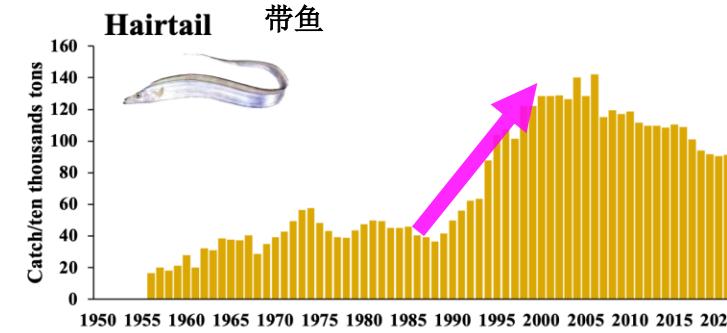
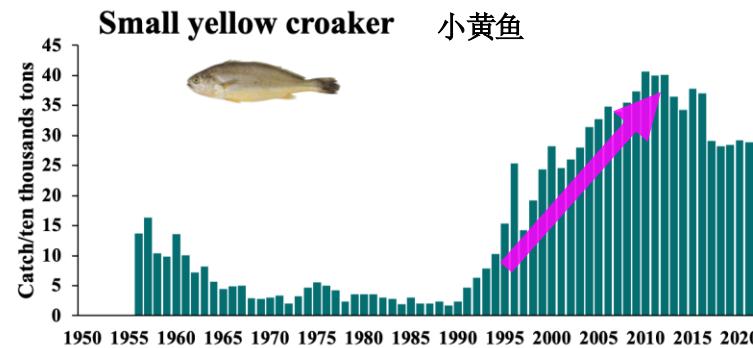
Chen et al. 2018

Global fisheries production

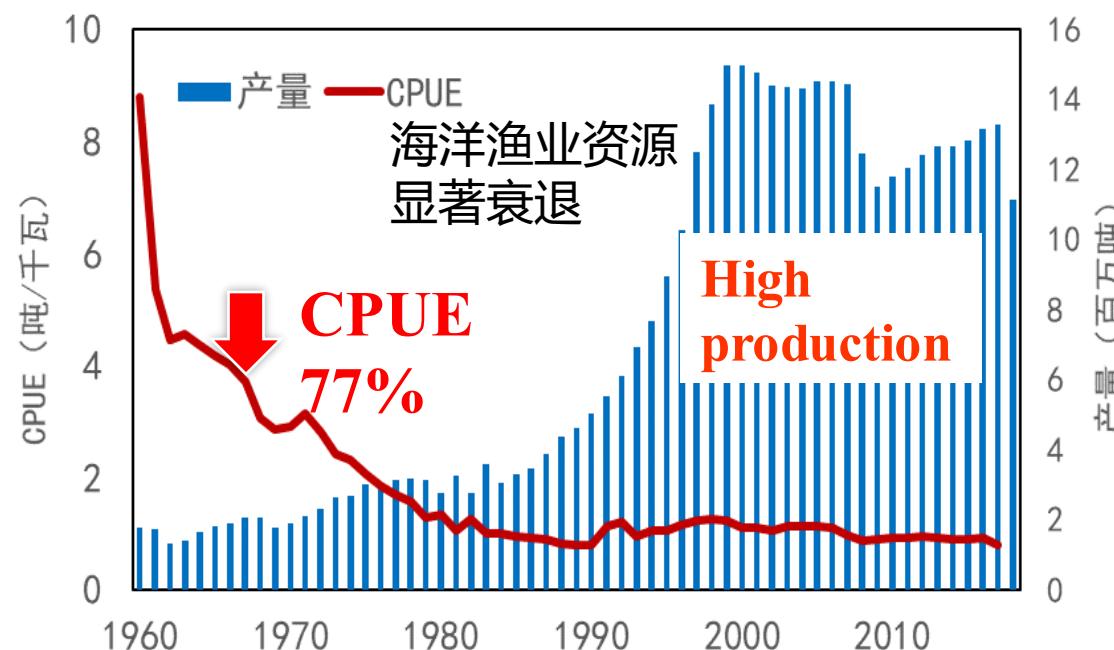


After the 1990s, global capture fisheries were at a plateau relative to the rapid increase in aquaculture production. China contributes more than 60% of aquaculture production.

China's marine fisheries face a crisis under over-exploitation

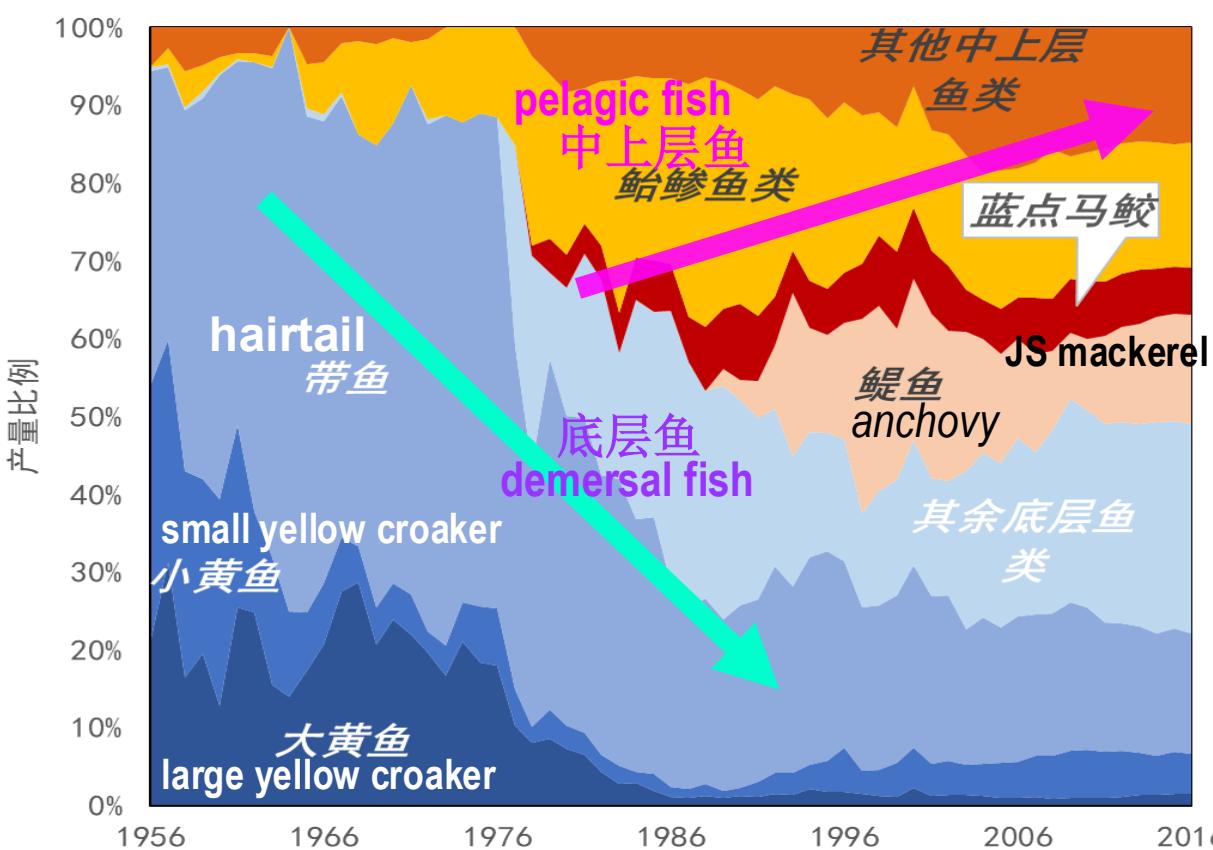


Overexploitation of major fish stocks



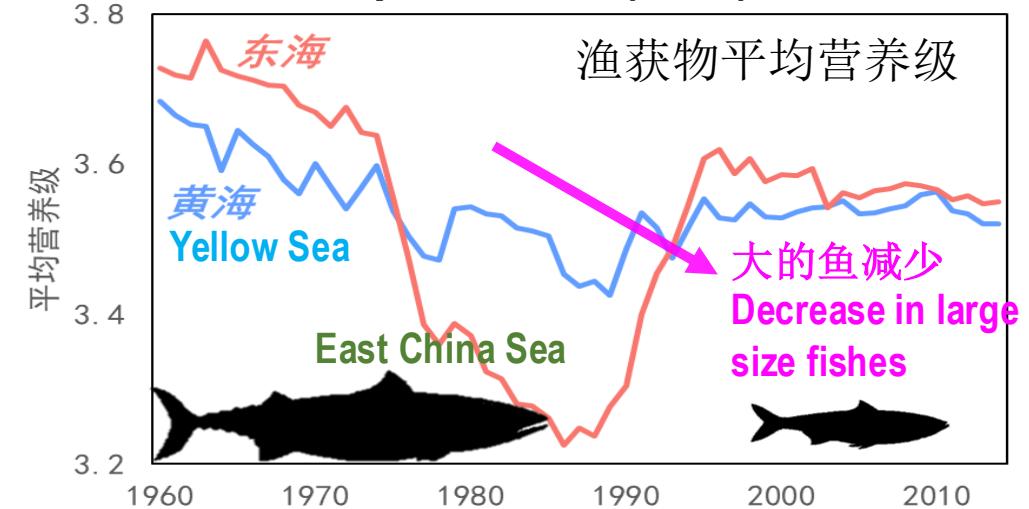
Climate change effect on the ecosystem structure

主要鱼种组成比变化 Species Composition

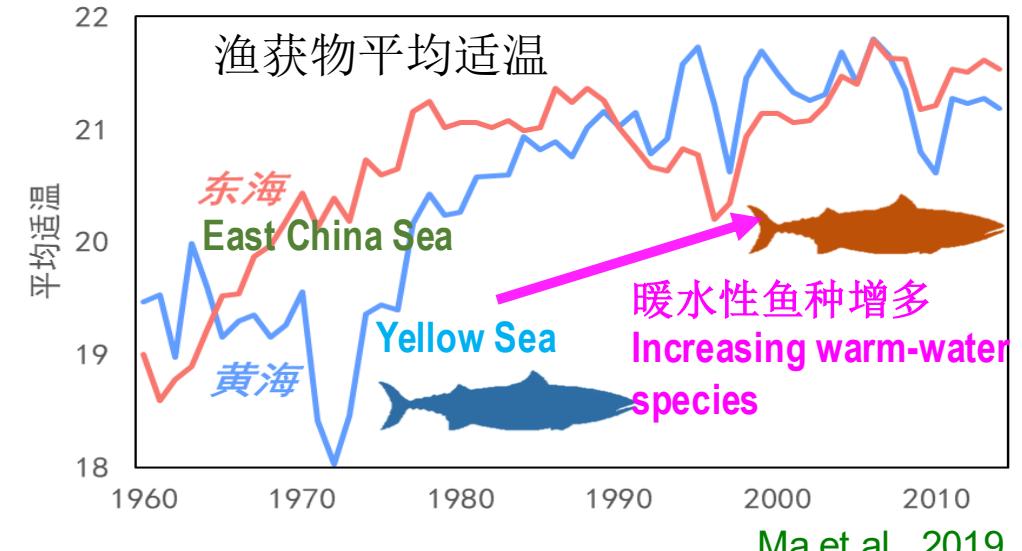


Increases in both pelagic fish such as anchovy and MTC indicate that climate change is having a significant impact on the fish community in China Seas under over-exploitation.

Mean Trophic Level (MTL) of Catch

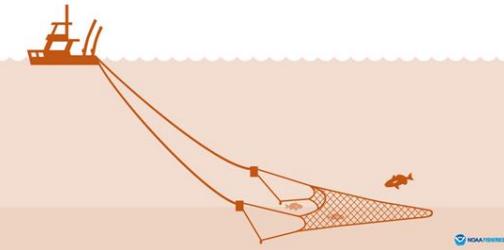


Mean Temperature of the Catch (MTC)

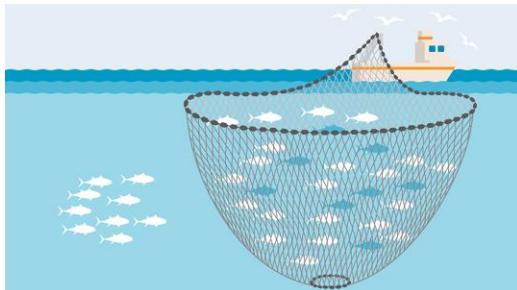


Primary fishing gear in China's marine fisheries

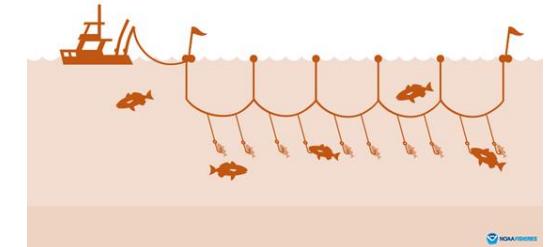
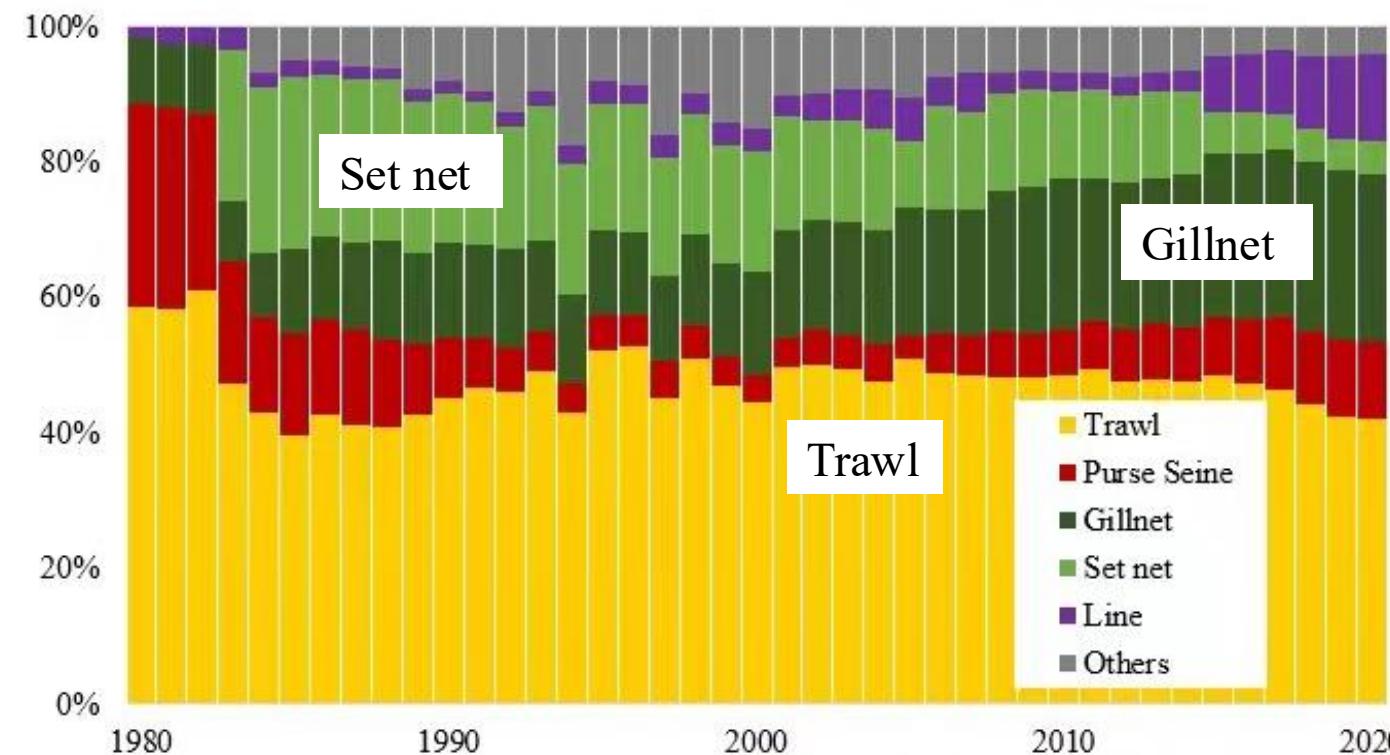
Trawl gillnet and set net are major fishing methods in China Seas



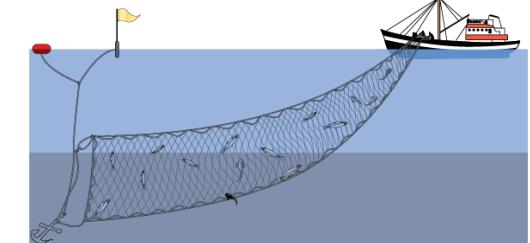
Trawl 拖网



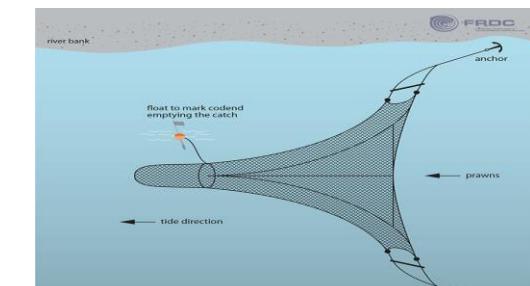
Purse Seine 围网



Longline 延绳钓



Gillnet 刺网



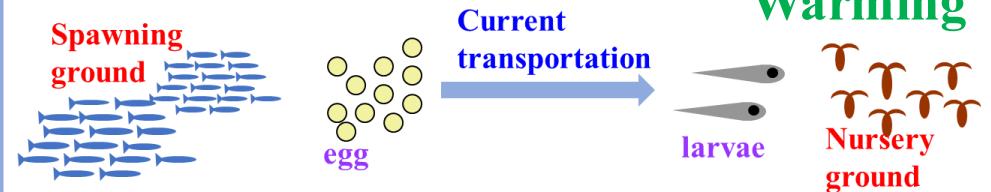
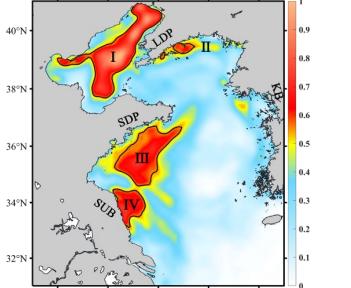
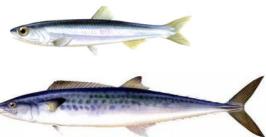
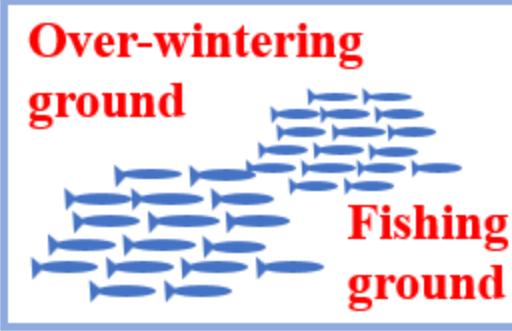
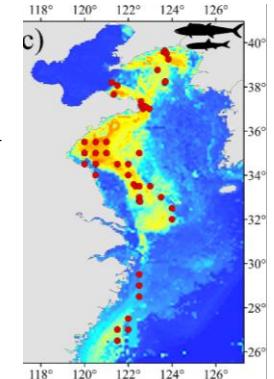
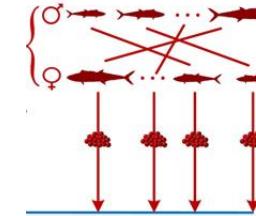
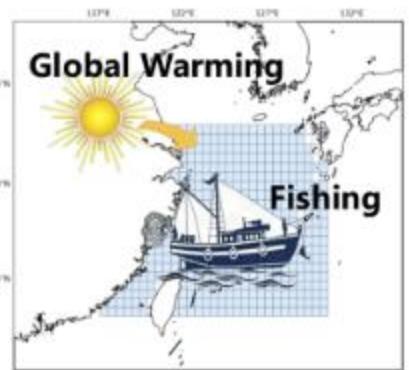
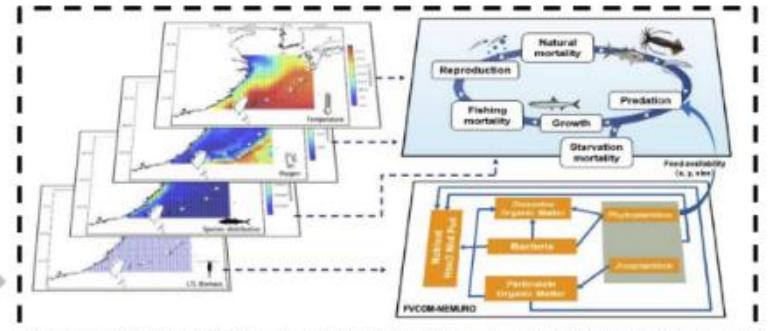
Set net 定置网

The fisheries management in China Sea is complicated by multi-fishery types and multiple target species.

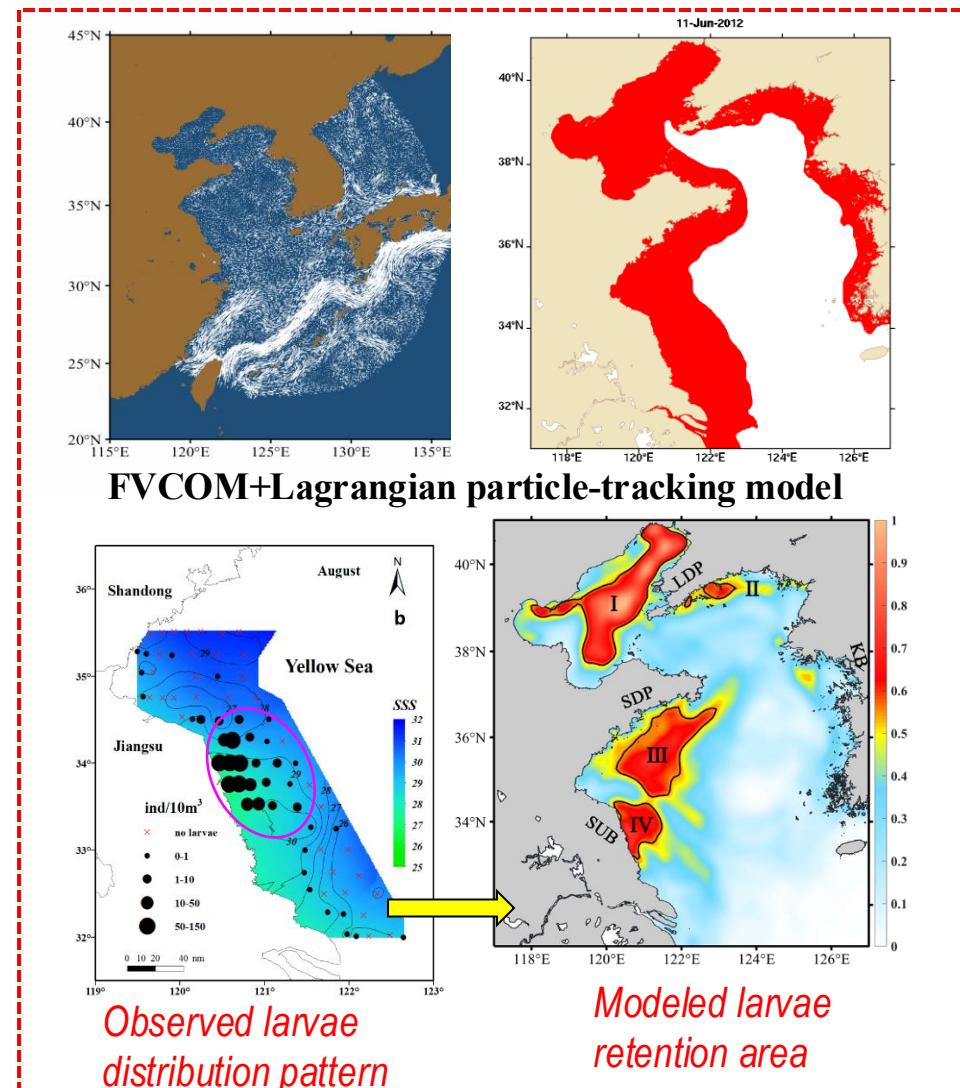
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Different process, different scale, different driver, different approach

	Process & drivers	Approach
Life history 	Early recruitment  <p>Spawning ground egg Current transportation Current Warming larvae Nursery ground</p>	Larvae transportation model 
Species 	Distribution Migration Abundance  <p>Over-wintering ground Fishing ground</p>	SDM: Species Distribution Model  FIE model 
Ecosystem 	Ecosystem structure  <p>Global Warming Fishing</p> Population Production	Fishing Harvest strategy 

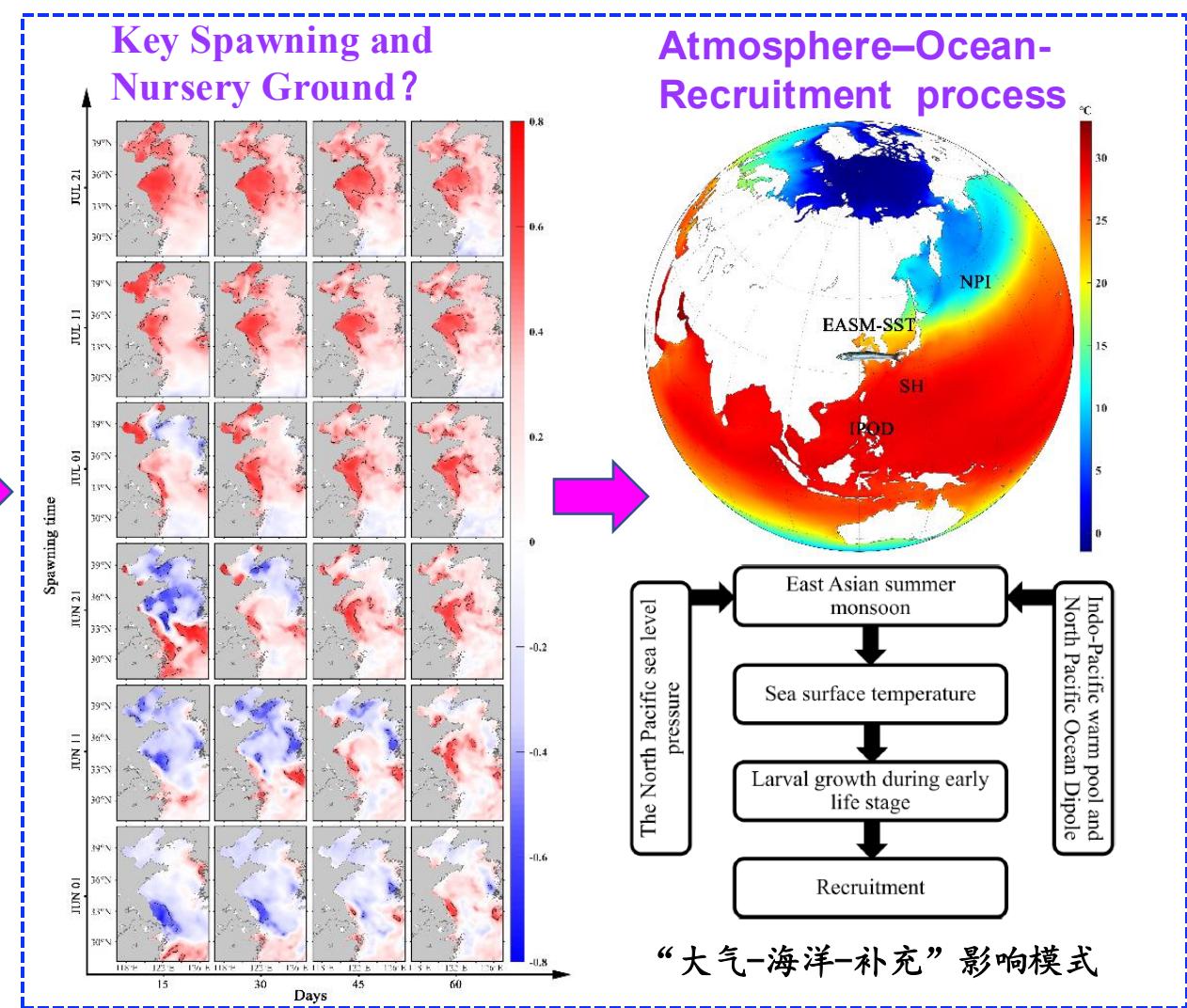
Larvae transport model: Climate variability determines anchovy recruitment



Egg transport model reveal the early recruitment process

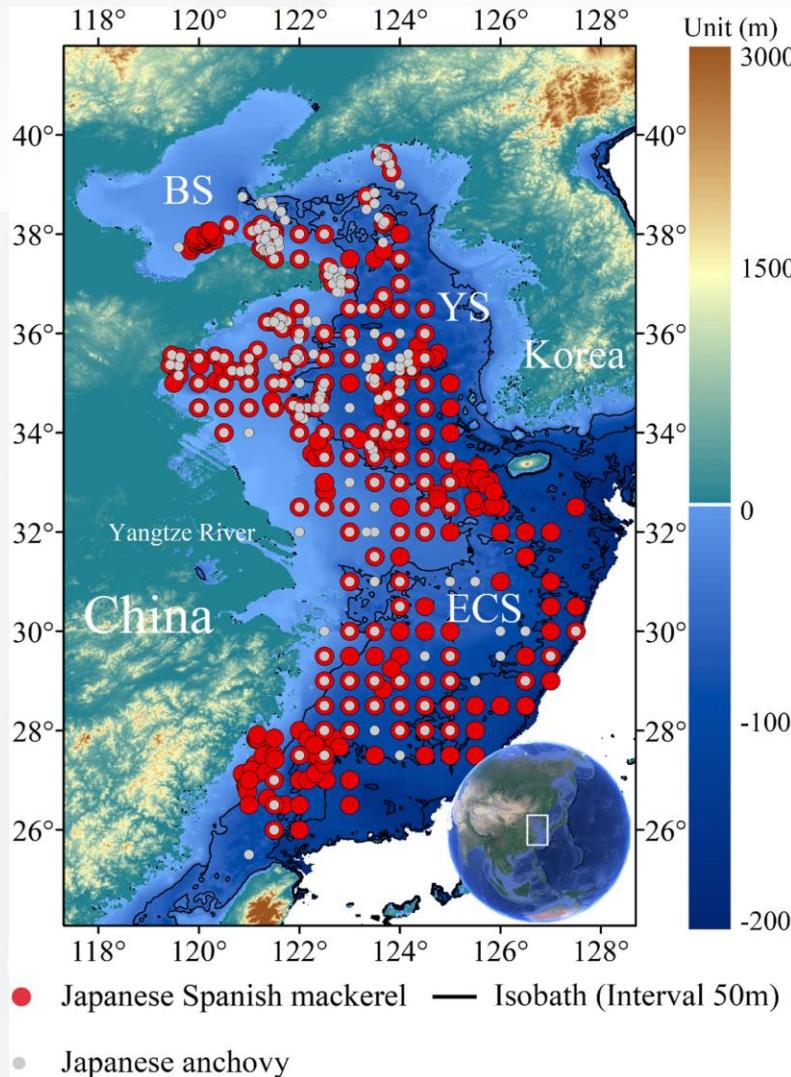
Xing et al. 2020, 2021 Eco.Ind.

Yu et al. 2020 JMS

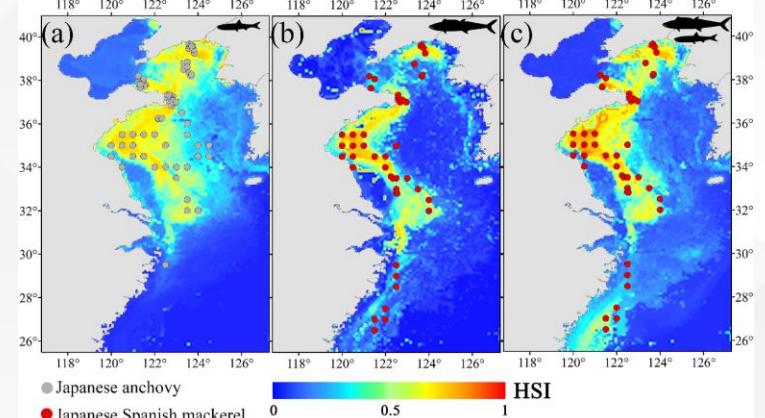
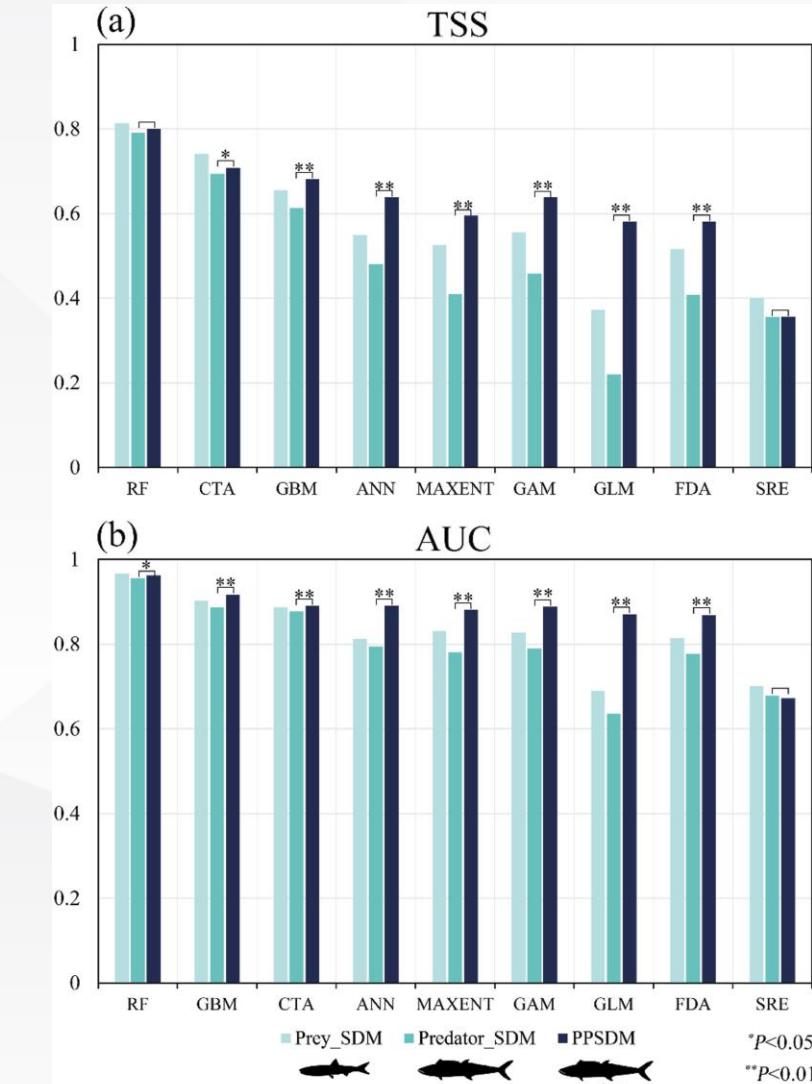


A larval growth index model found that anchovy recruitment is linked to basin-scale climate variability 10

Prey-Predator SDM model for JS-mackerel

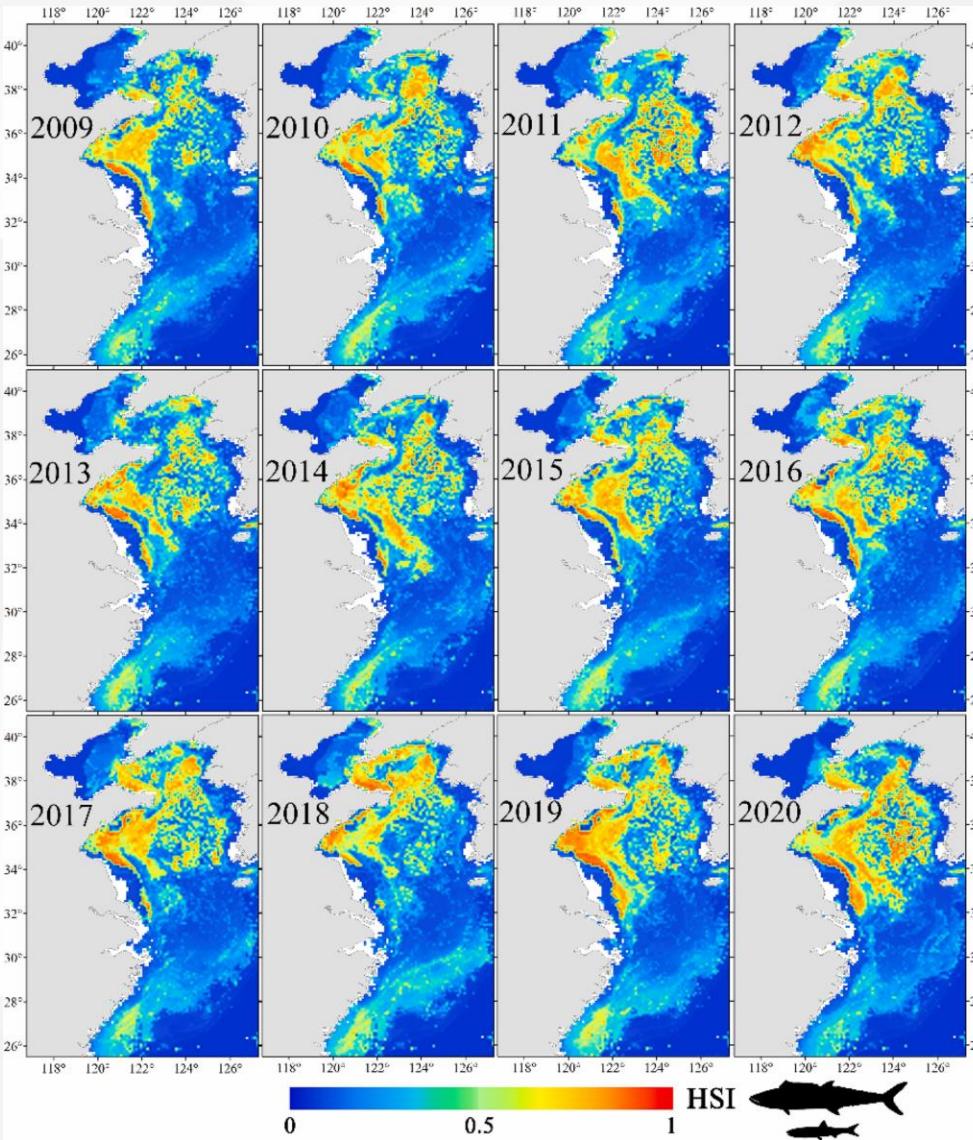


High performance of PPSDM



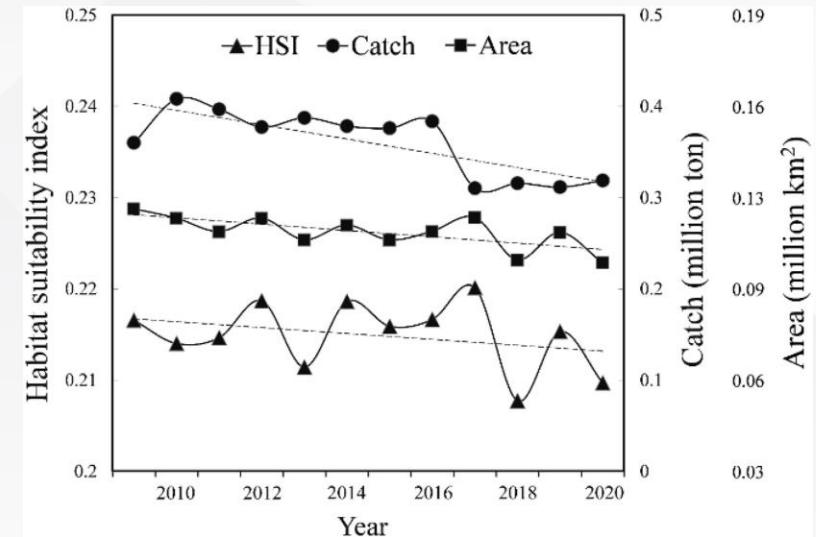
The PPSDM results, which take into account the effect of prey species, well reflected the ontogenetic migration of Japanese Spanish mackerel.

Prediction of warming effect by PPSDM

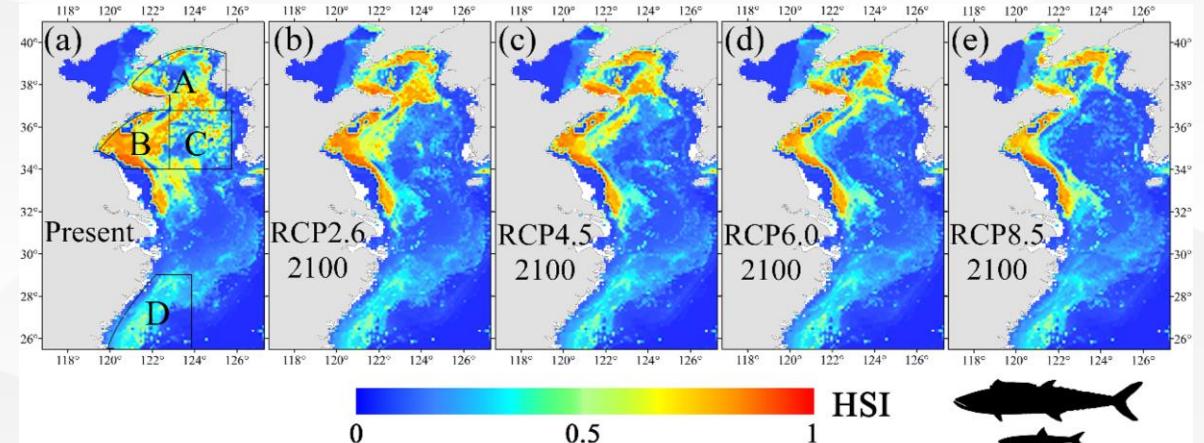


Historical change

The suitable habitat area and HSI showed a decreasing tendency during 2009–2020, is similar to the trend in the catch.

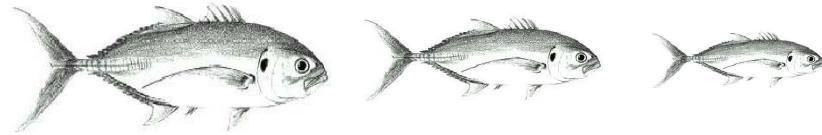


Future warming

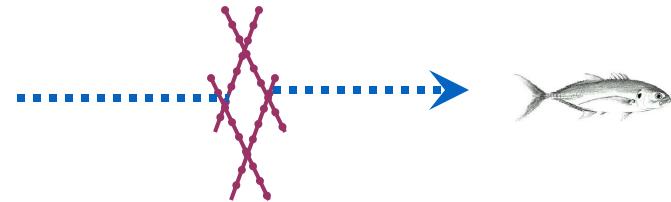


In the future, the suitable habitat of Japanese Spanish mackerel is projected to decrease by 21%, 28%, 36%, and 42%

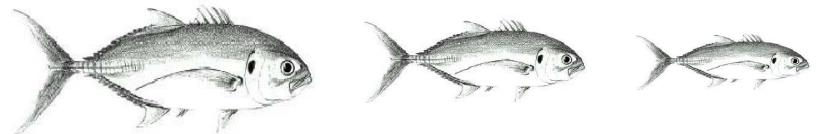
FIE (Fishing-Induced Evolution): Long-term fishing effect



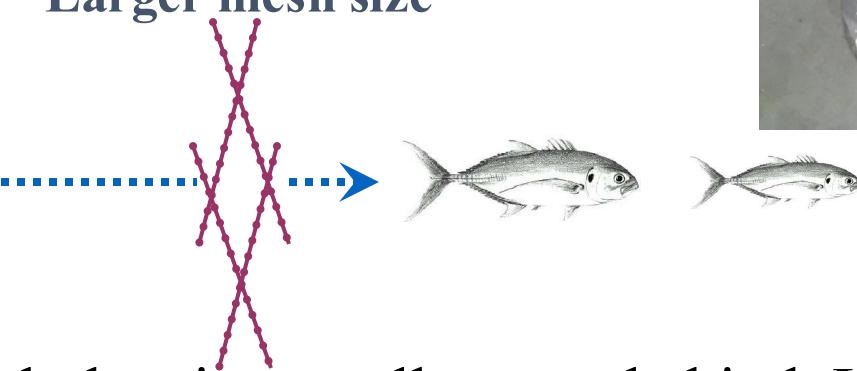
Small mesh size



Small size fish escape

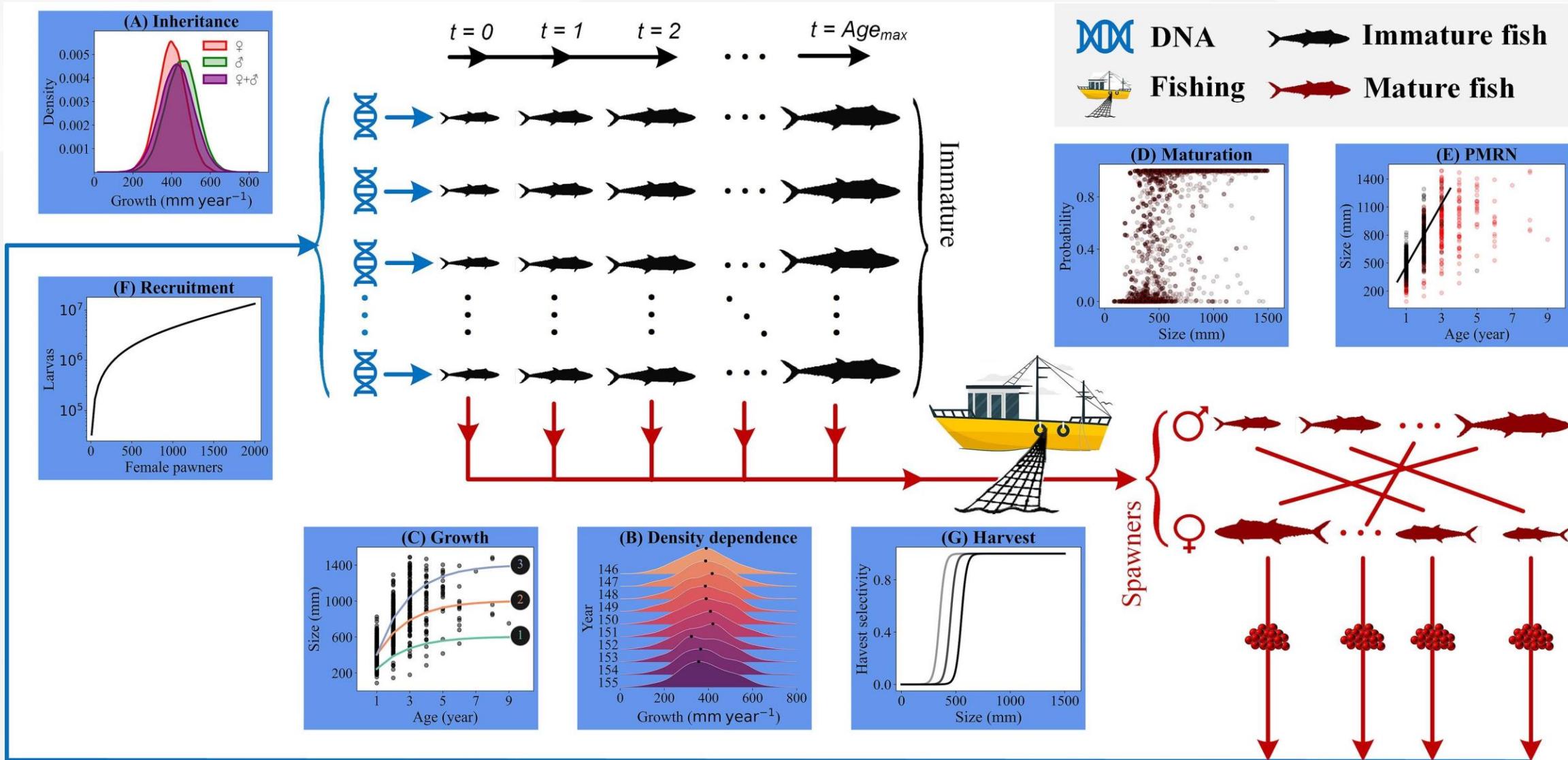


Larger mesh size

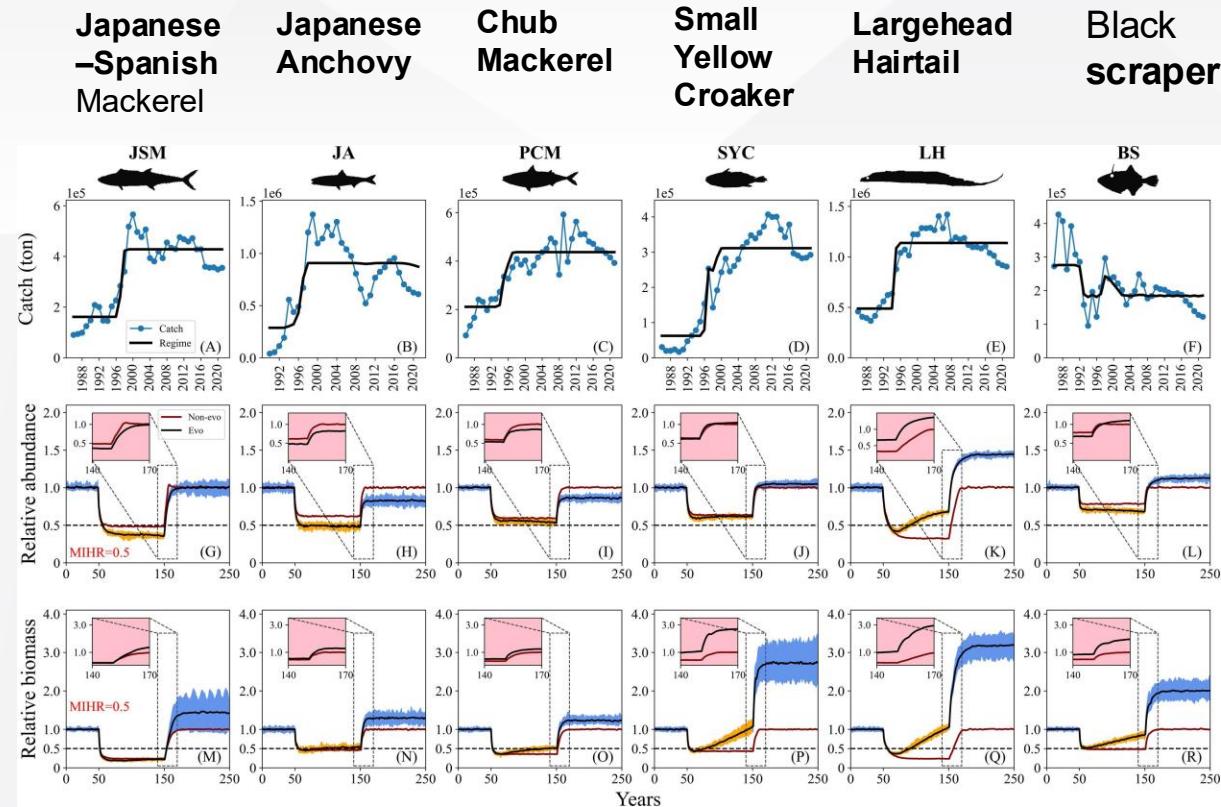


- Fishing tends to target larger fish, leaving smaller ones behind. Long-term selective fishing can lead to changes in fish populations, such as reduced size and earlier maturation. If these alterations become irreversible, it is termed **fishing-induced evolution—FIE**, which has a significant impact on both population dynamics and ecosystem structure.

FIE: An individual-based eco-genetic modeling approach

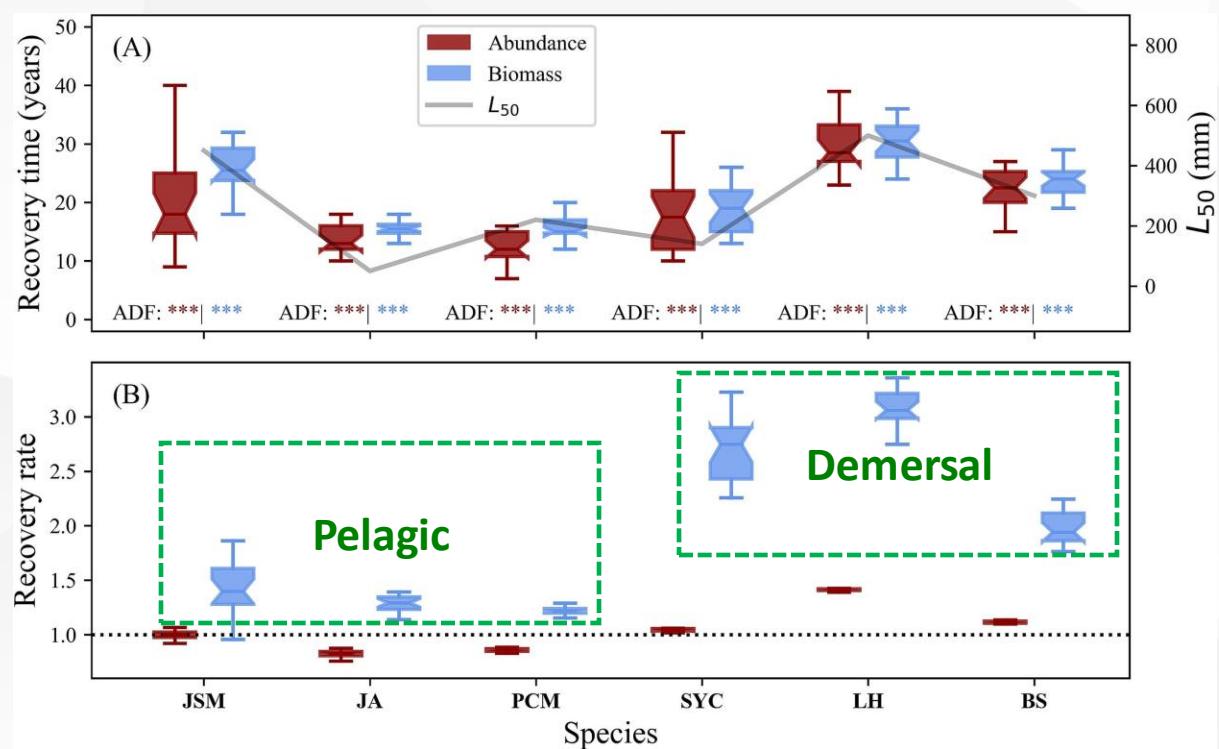


FIE : an individual-based eco-genetic modeling approach



Phase shift processes of six commercial fish species in the China Seas. The impact of FIE on abundance (difference between the black and red curves) varies across both phases and species.

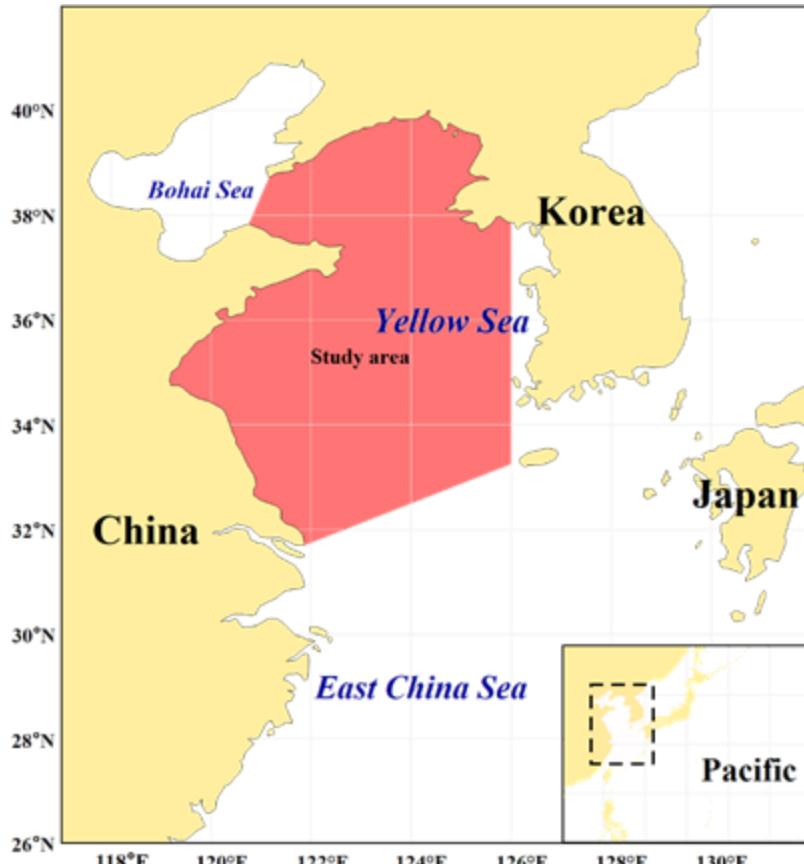
Population structure rebuilding efficiency in evolutionary models for six commercial important but rebuilding depleted stocks.



Recovery rate was significantly different between in pelagic and demersal species, with reduced fishing pressure being more conducive to the recovery of demersal fishes.

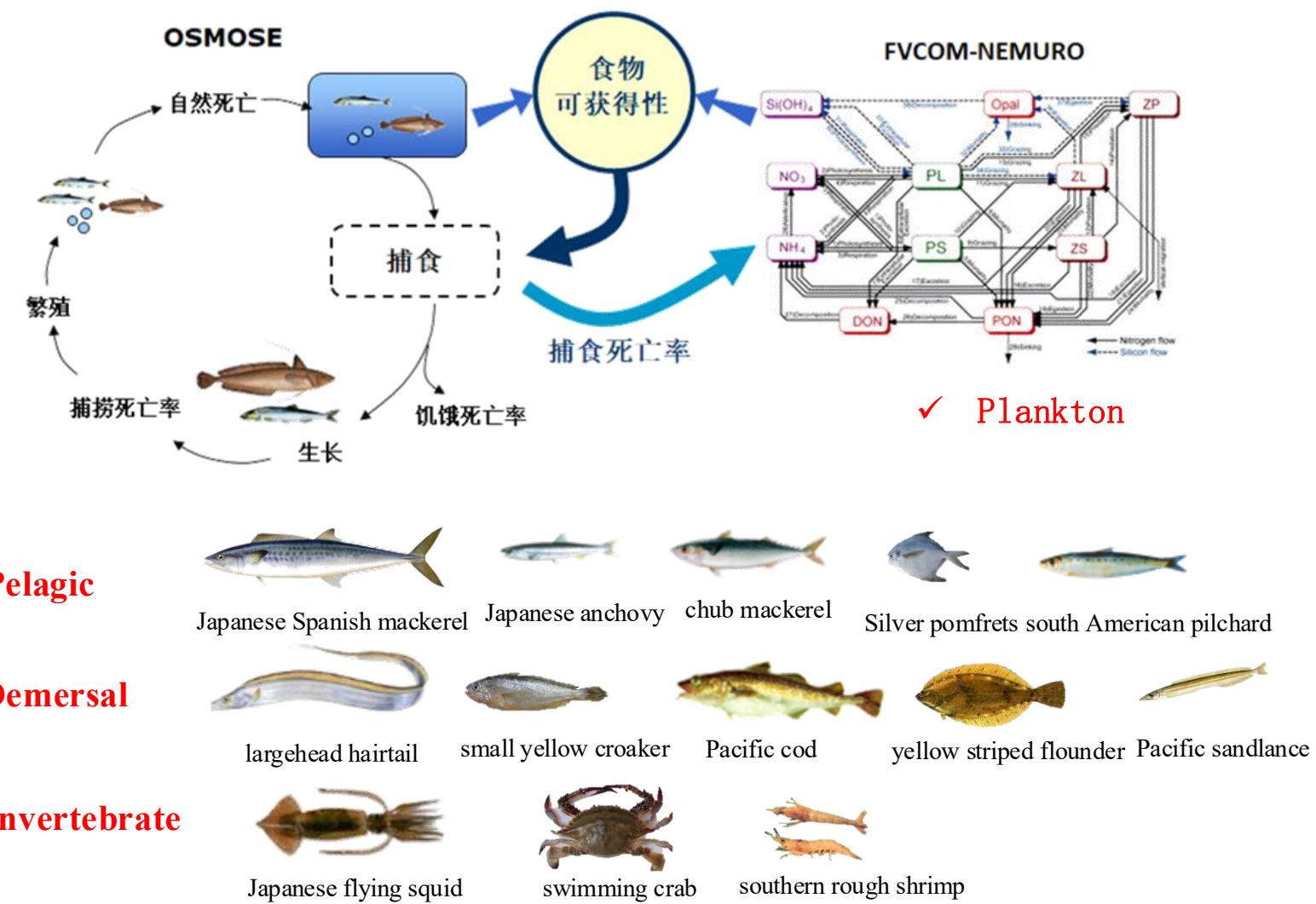
OSMOSE-YS: OSMOSE (Object-oriented Simulator of Marine Ecosystems)

Yellow Sea Large Marine Ecosystem



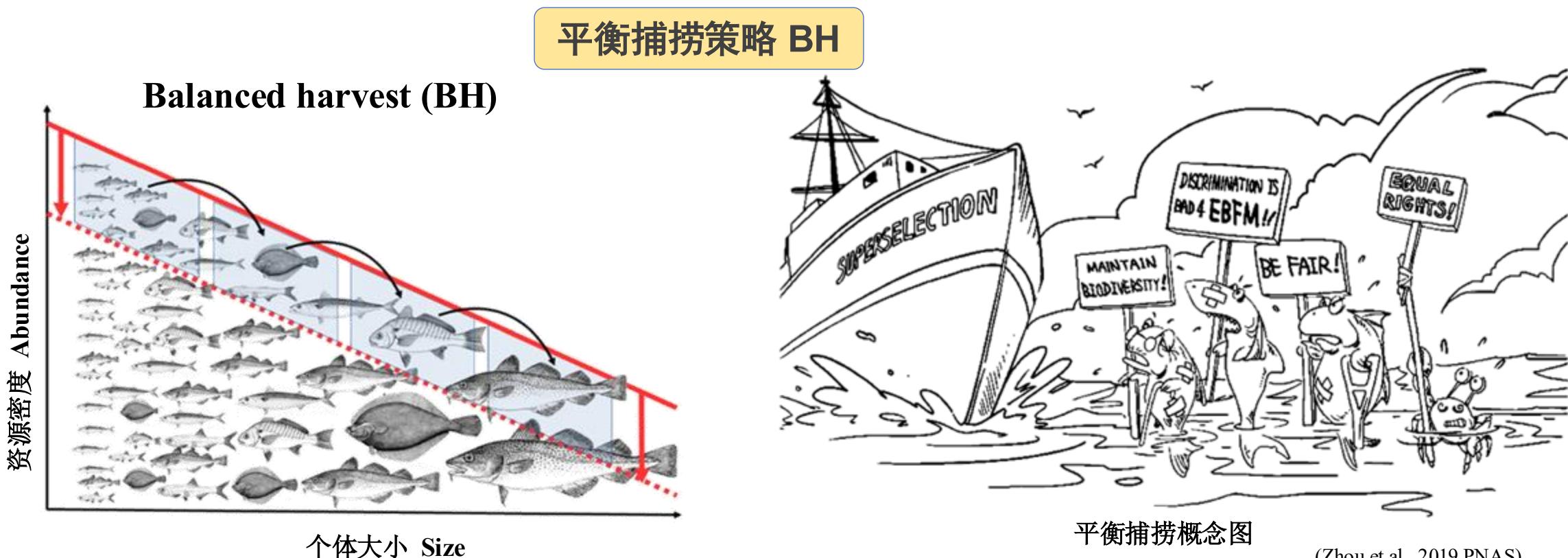
Study area of OSMOSE-YS

黃海渔业生态系统 (OSMOSE-YS)



To simulate effect of different fishing strategy

Fisheries management——Balance Harvest (BH) Strategy



- 物种水平 species-level (*sBH*)
- 物种个体大小水平 species- and size-level (*ssBH*)

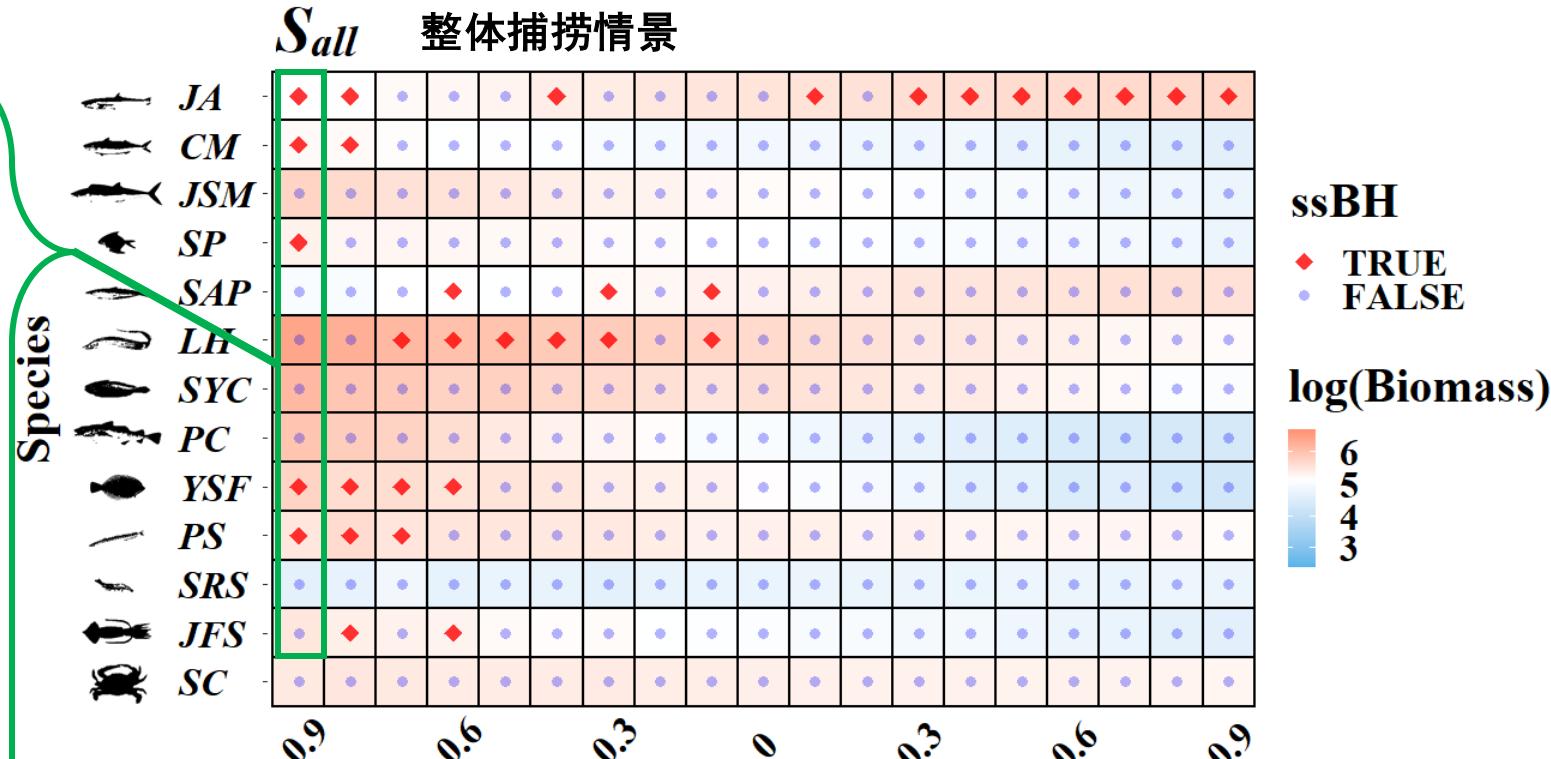
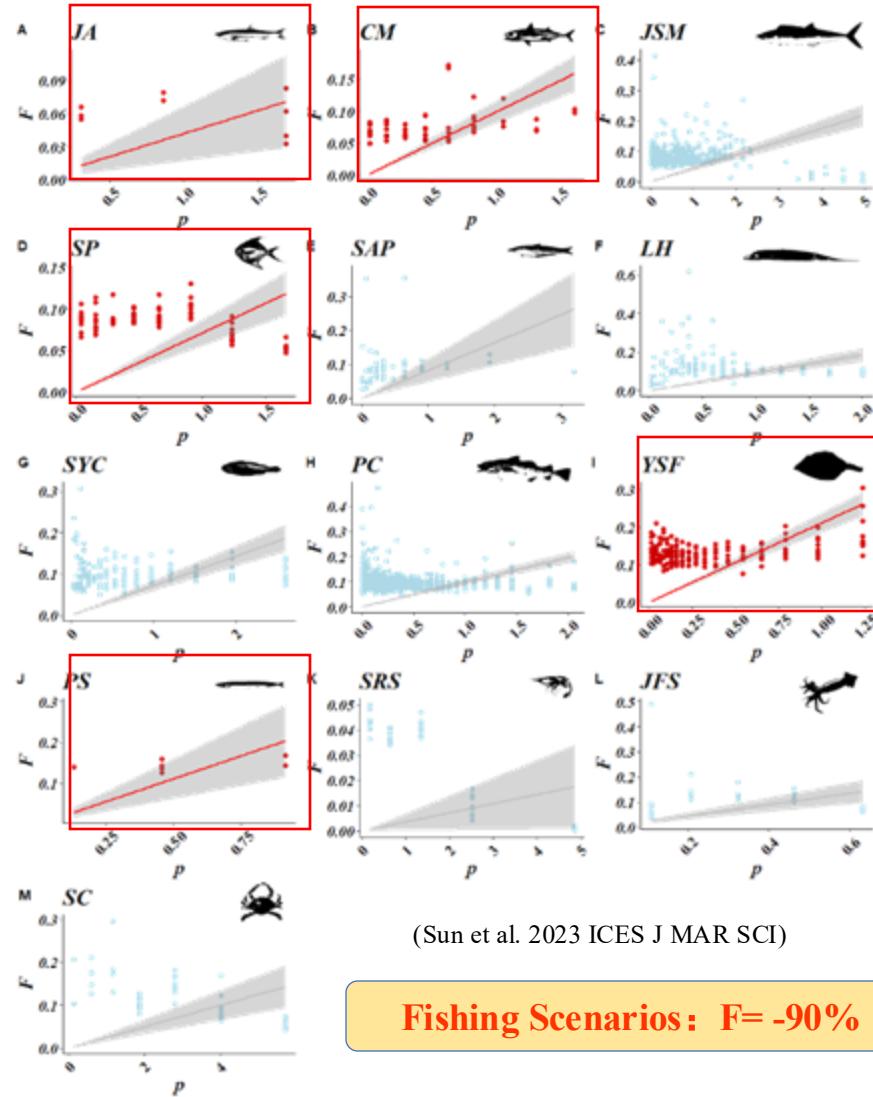
Objectives of Balance Harvest

Minimize the impact of fishing operations on marine ecosystem structure

Achieve sustainable high productivity

Balanced harvest (BH) proposes moderate fishing mortality rates across all species or sizes in proportion to productivity, serving as a possible strategy for ecosystem-based fisheries management.

How to achieve balance harvest (BH) ?



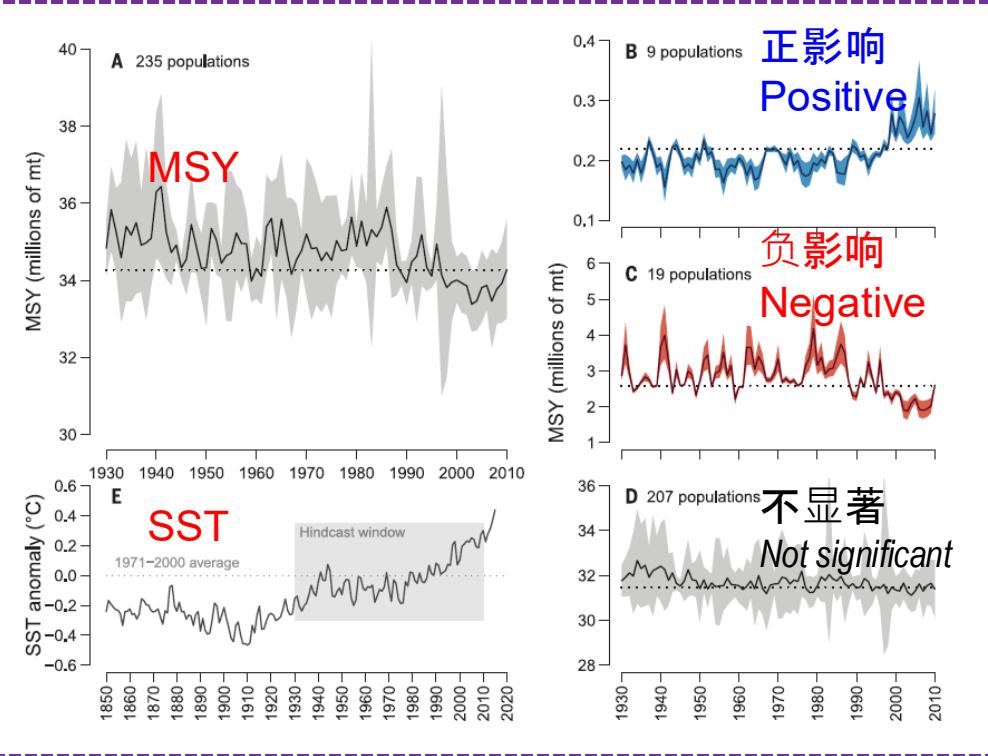
The occurrences of BH depended on fishing pressure and targeted functional groups; the benefits of BH could be potentially achieved by adjusting fishing pressure for certain functional groups based on the existing fishing pattern in over-exploited ecosystems.

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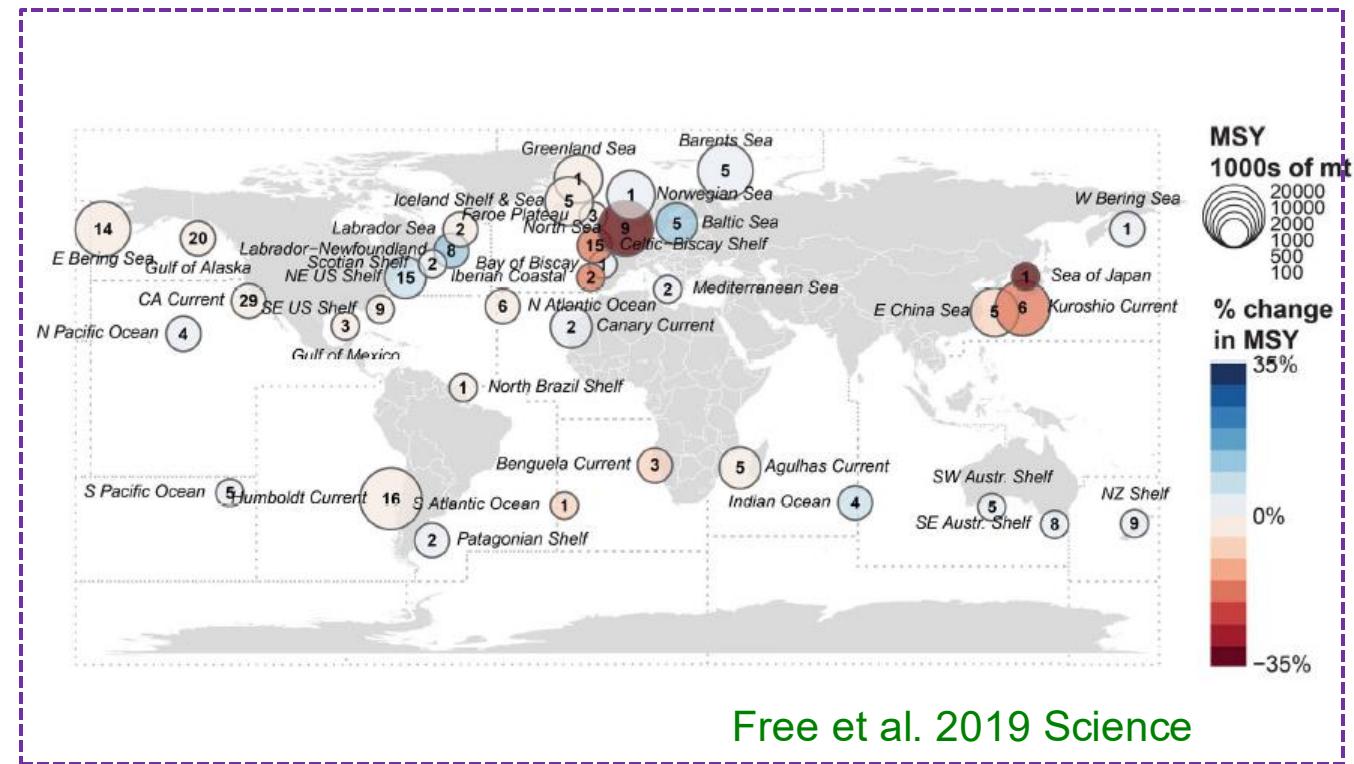
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Impacts of historical warming on marine fisheries production

Historical changes of temperature-dependent MSY for 235 populations



Percent change in mean MSY between the period of 1930s and 2000s by ecoregion



The impact of historical SST warming on MSY of 235 fish populations varies. Changes in MSY in the 2010s compared to the 1930s varied considerably between ecoregions. **Significant reductions in MSY were observed in both the Northwest Pacific and Northeast Atlantic ecoregions (effects of increasing SST and fishing?)**

Global fisheries risk assessments

Current exposure of fisheries to climate-related impacts

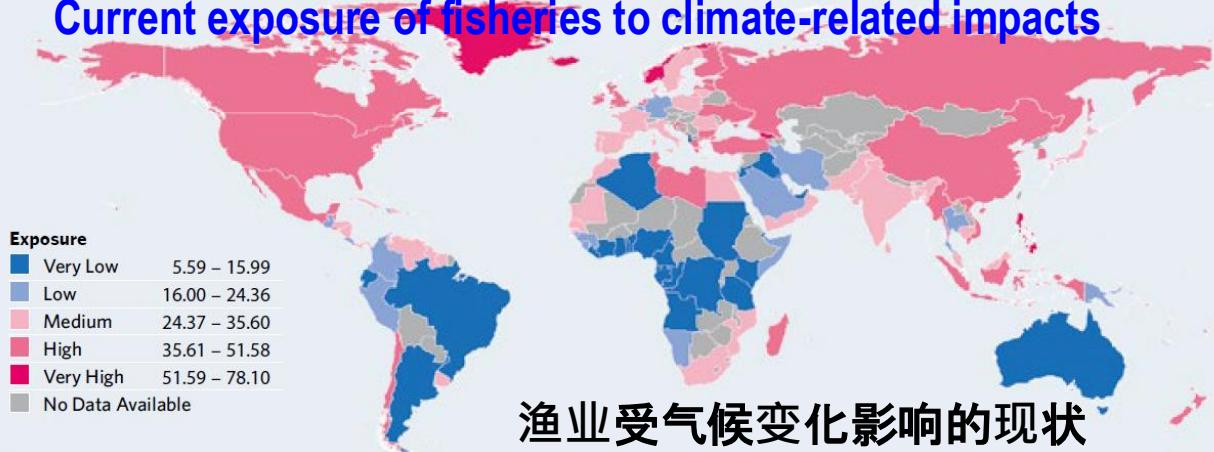


Figure 8: Current exposure of fisheries to climate-related impacts

Fisheries Climate Risk Index

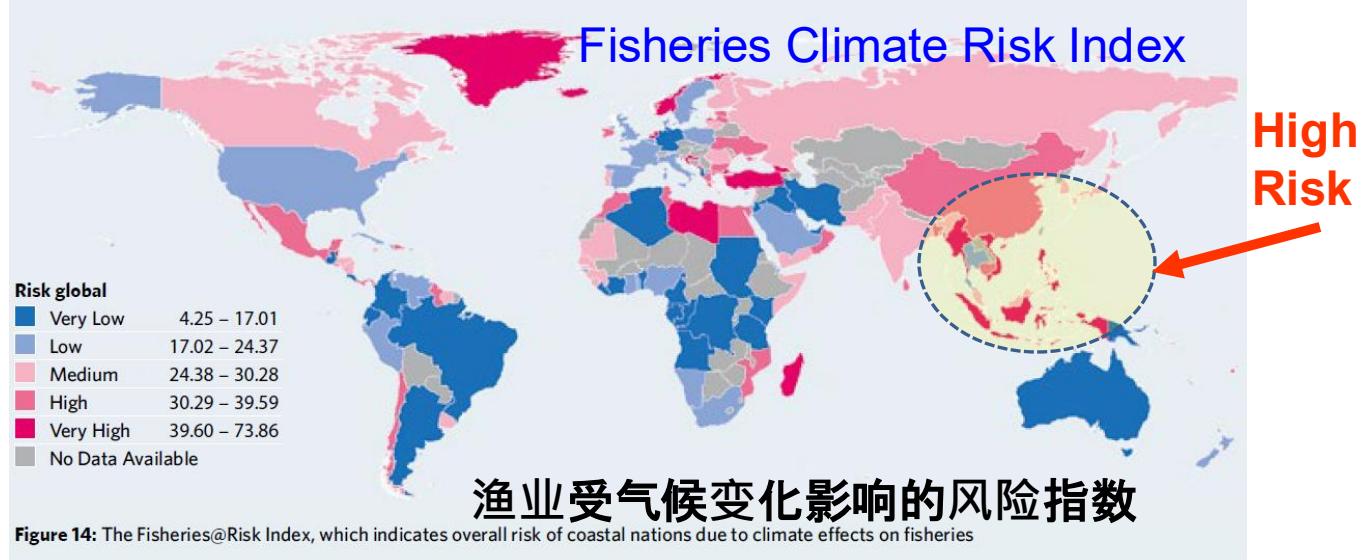
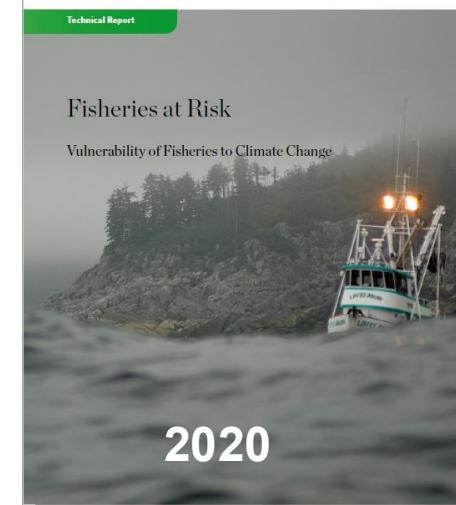
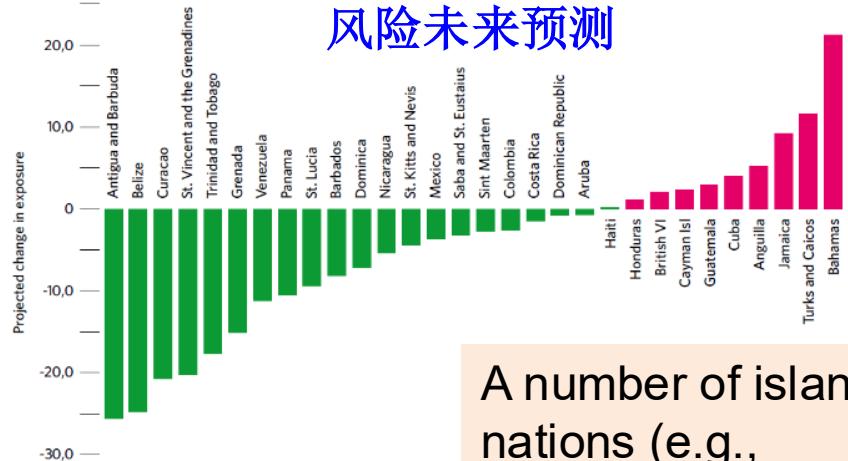


Figure 14: The Fisheries@Risk Index, which indicates overall risk of coastal nations due to climate effects on fisheries

Overall risk of coastal nations due to climate effects on fisheries

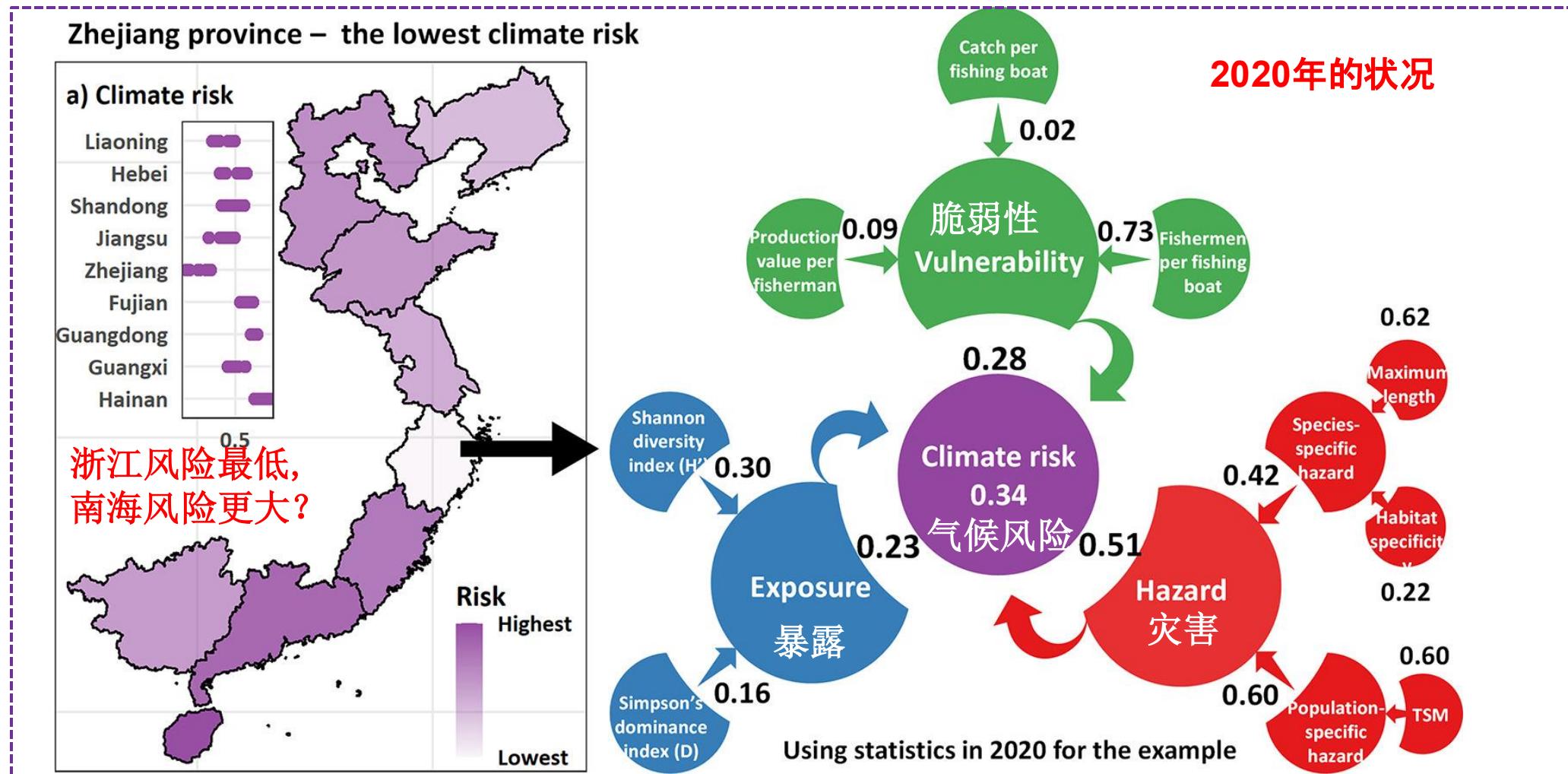
Future Projection of Climate Risk
风险未来预测



A number of island nations (e.g., Bahamas, Jamaica, Anguilla, Cuba) as well as multiple countries on the mainland (e.g., Guatemala, Honduras) are likely to see an increase in exposure

Climate risks to fishing species and fisheries in the China Seas

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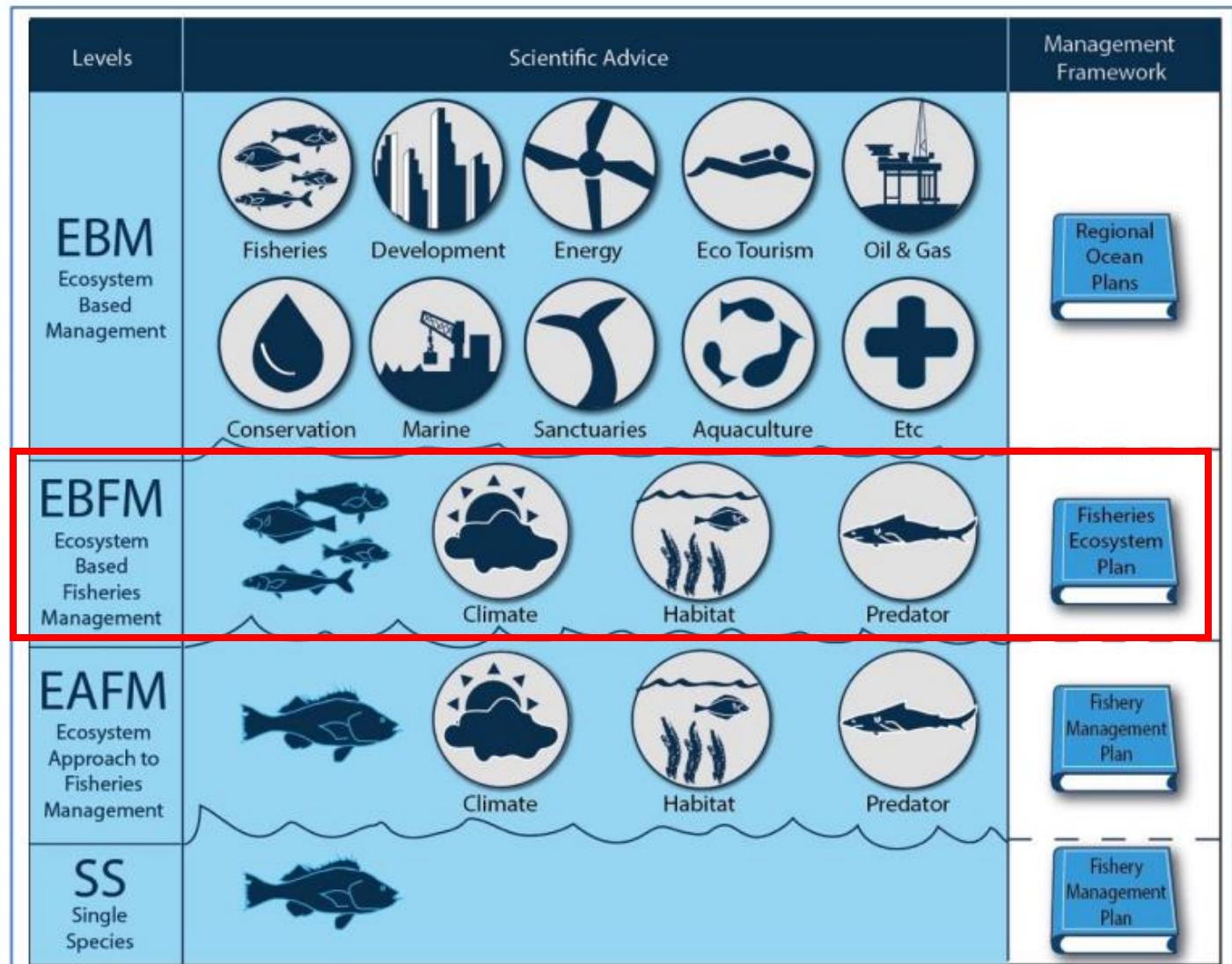


A climate risk assessment framework is used to assess risks to species and fisheries. Future warming would degrade the habitats of most fishing species in China. Risks on fisheries are heterogeneous considering hazard, exposure and vulnerability. Climate adaptation strategies need to be tailored considering provincial realities.

Toward EBFM: considering the FIE and climate impacts

- Ecosystem-based fishery management (EBFM) aims to sustainably manage the marine fisheries.
- It complements and builds off of traditional single species fishery management. This approach considers **social, economic, and ecological trade-offs** across multiple fisheries and habitats.
- Making decisions depends on access to reliable, accurate, and actionable ecological, social, and economic information, tools, approaches, and models.

Fisheries management: from Single Species to Ecosystem Based



Source: <http://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/ecosystems/ebfm/ebfm-myths#>

Summary

- *Changes in the characteristics of fish stocks in the China Seas demonstrate the effects of overfishing and FIE, while the impact of climate change on the structure of fish communities is also significant.*
- *Modelling approaches are useful for investigating the response to fishing (FIE) and climate change at levels ranging from the early stages of life history and species distribution to the ecosystem level.*
- *Climate warming benefits pelagic fish. The recovery rate differs significantly between pelagic and demersal species, with reduced fishing pressure being more conducive to the recovery of demersal fish.*
- *The responses of individual species, fish communities and ecosystems in the China Seas to climate change and fishing are non-linear and species-specific, posing a challenge to fisheries management.*
- *Stock assessment and ecosystem-based fisheries management (EBFM) must consider the impact of climate change; fisheries in coastal nations are particularly vulnerable to future climate change.*

Anchovy Larvae Transport Mode

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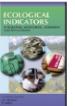
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