

Estimation of the future change of anchovy recruitment in response to global warming off western coast of Kyushu, Japan

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Anchovy stocks around Japanese waters

Sea of Japan

East China Sea

70%

Annual landings

Tsushima Warm Current

Pacific

Seto Inland Sea

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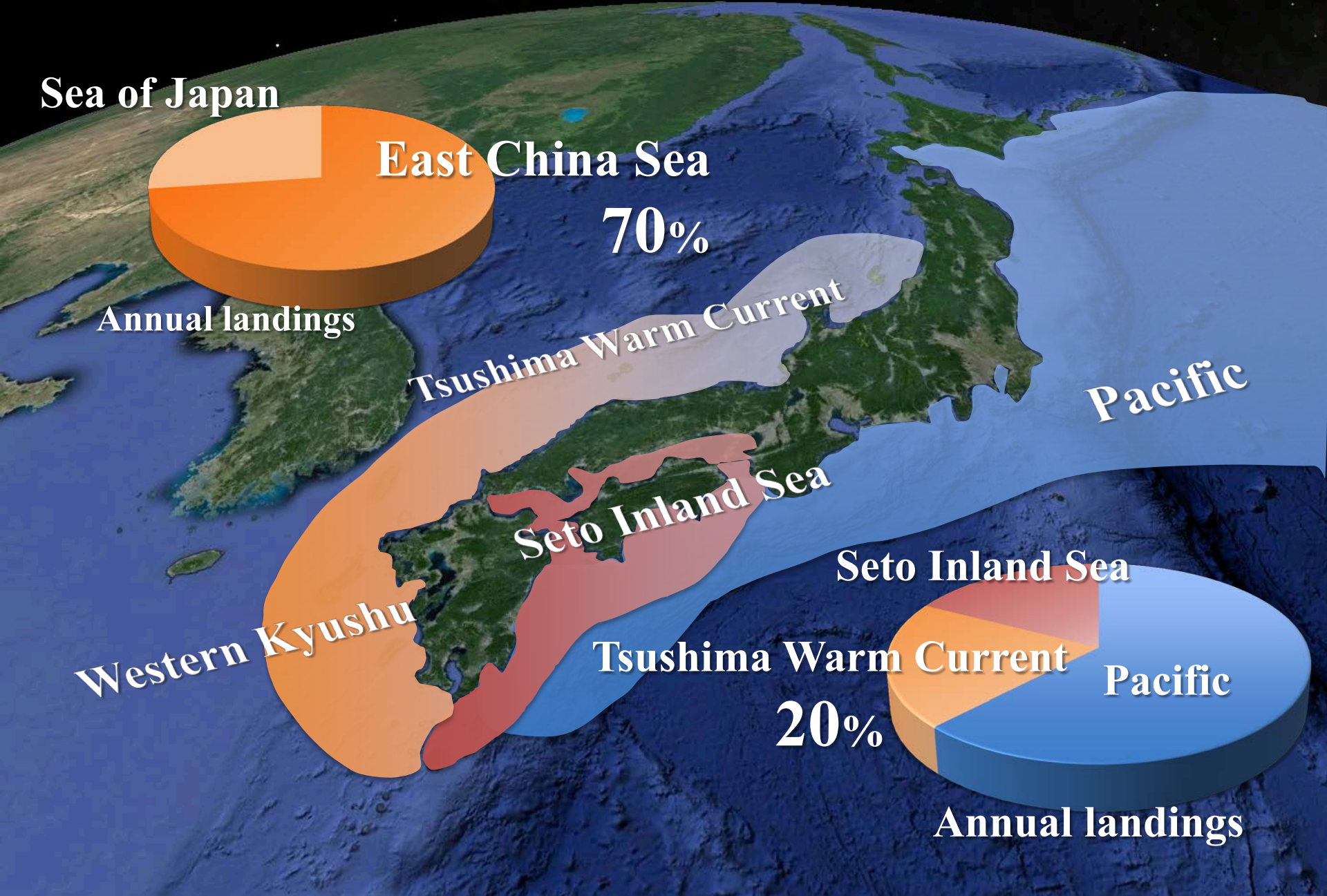
Tsushima Warm Current

20%

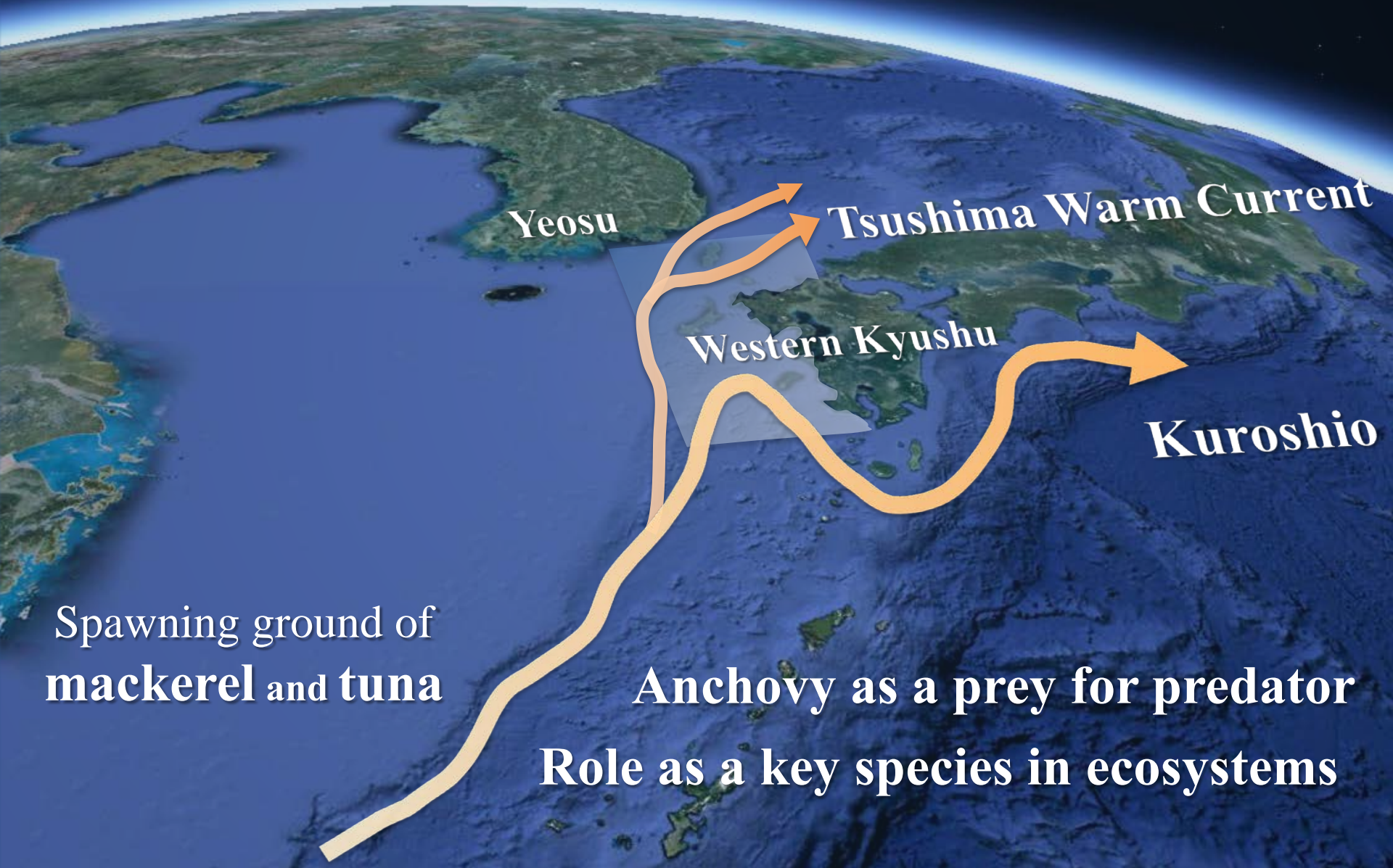
Pacific

Western Kyushu

Annual landings



The western Kyushu



Yeosu

Tsushima Warm Current

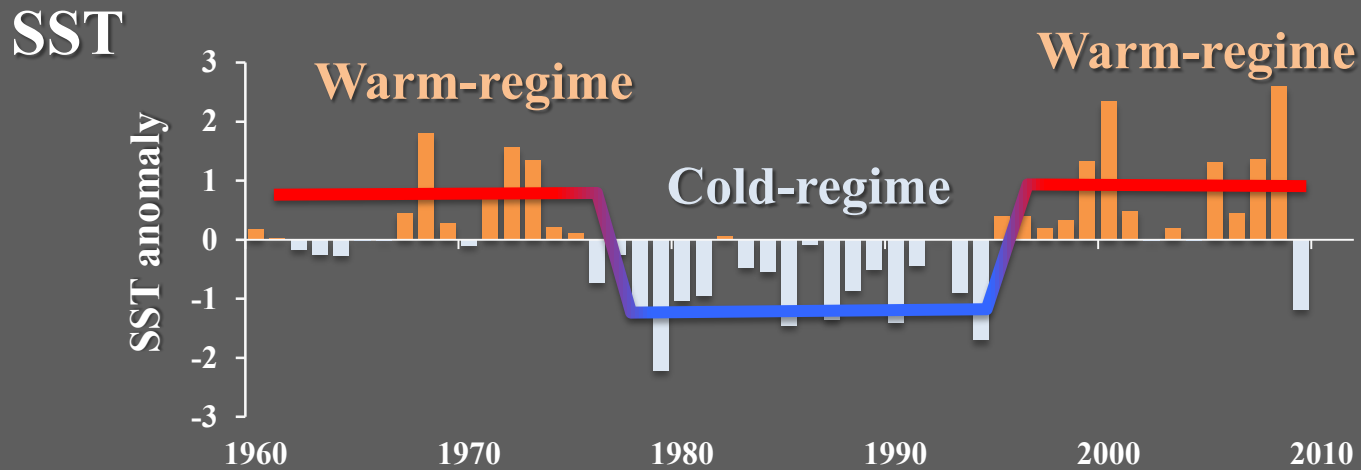
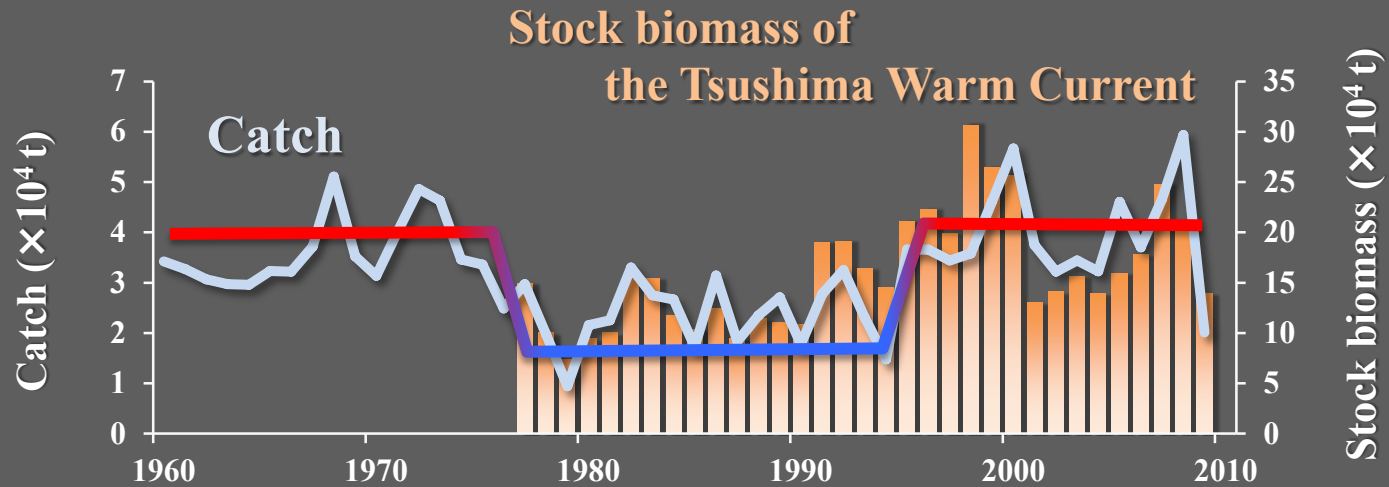
Western Kyushu

Kuroshio

Spawning ground of
mackerel and tuna

Anchovy as a prey for predator
Role as a key species in ecosystems

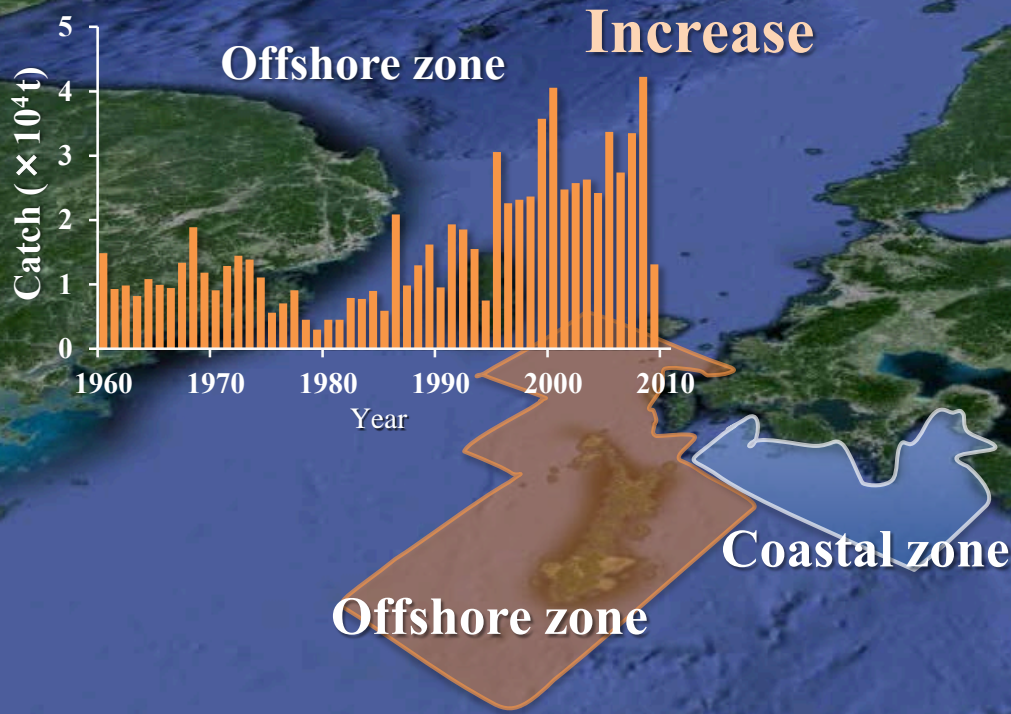
Climate change and anchovy



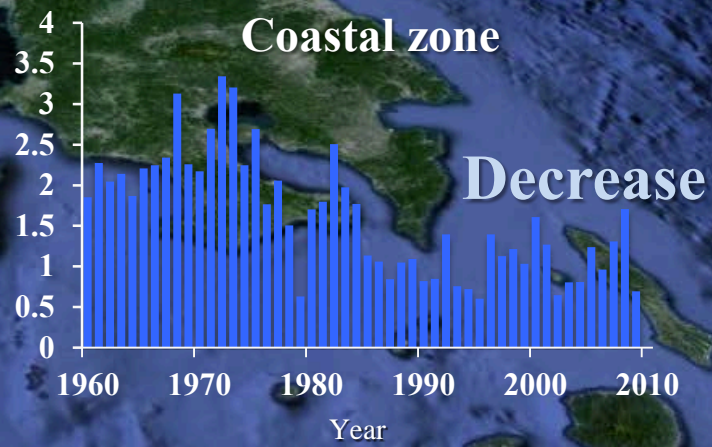
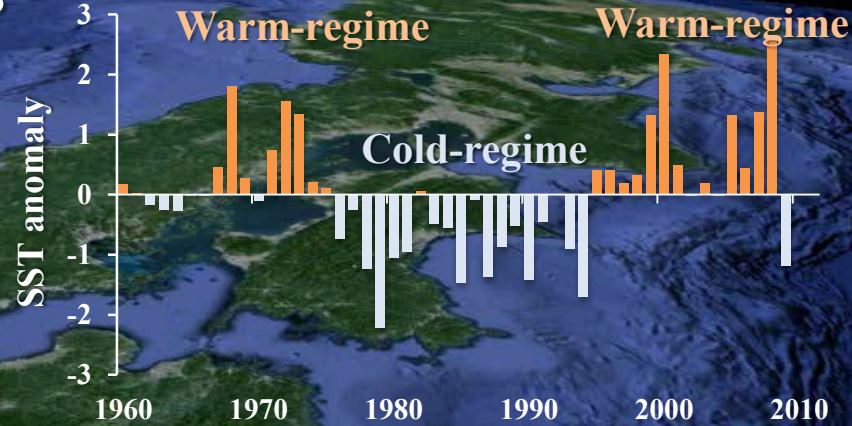
Decadal fluctuations relating with the SST

Background

Anchovy catch in the two fishing grounds



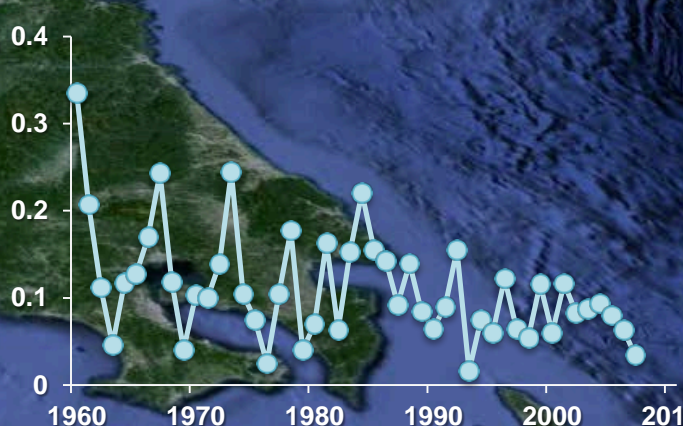
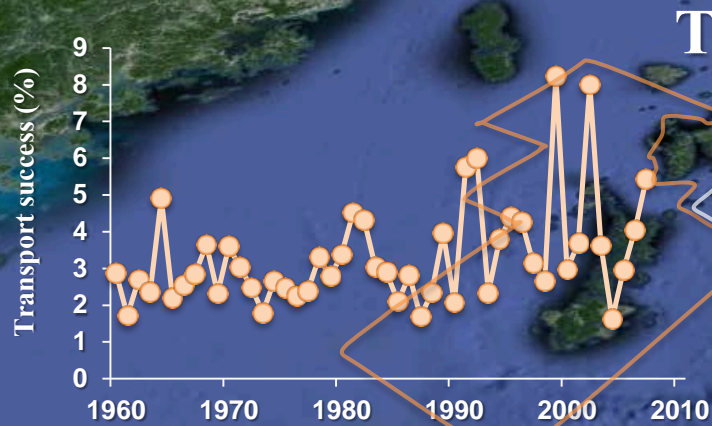
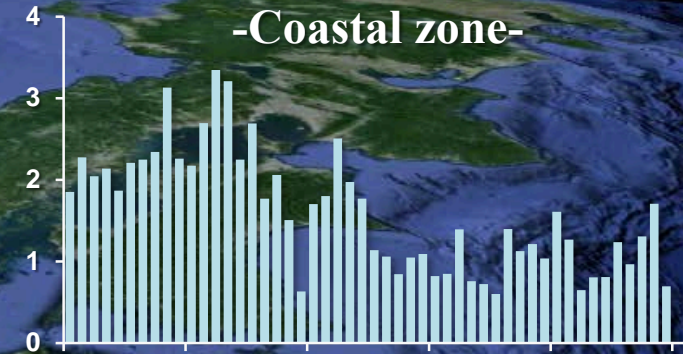
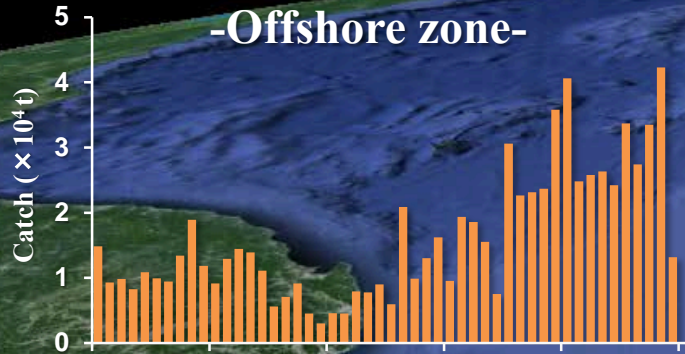
SST variation



Temperature change induced by regime shift is not enough to explain the local catch fluctuation

Background

Catch



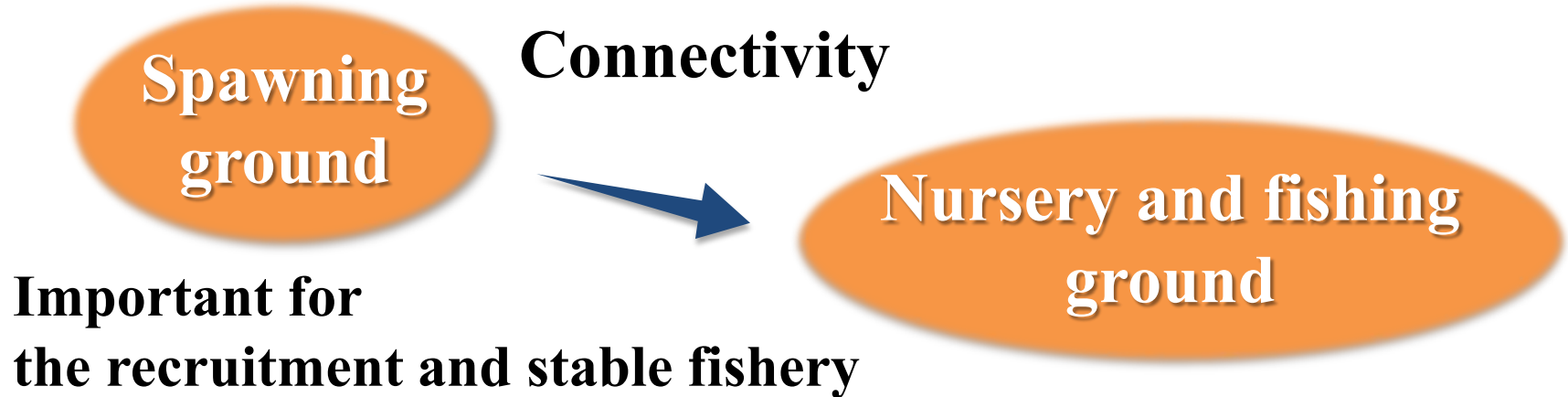
Factors

Shift of the spawning ground
Weakened Tsushima Warm Current

Shift of the spawning ground
Weakened coastward current

Changes in the larval transport success
leads decadal fluctuation in the catch

Hypothesis and Objective



Global warming

Hydrodynamic and biological conditions

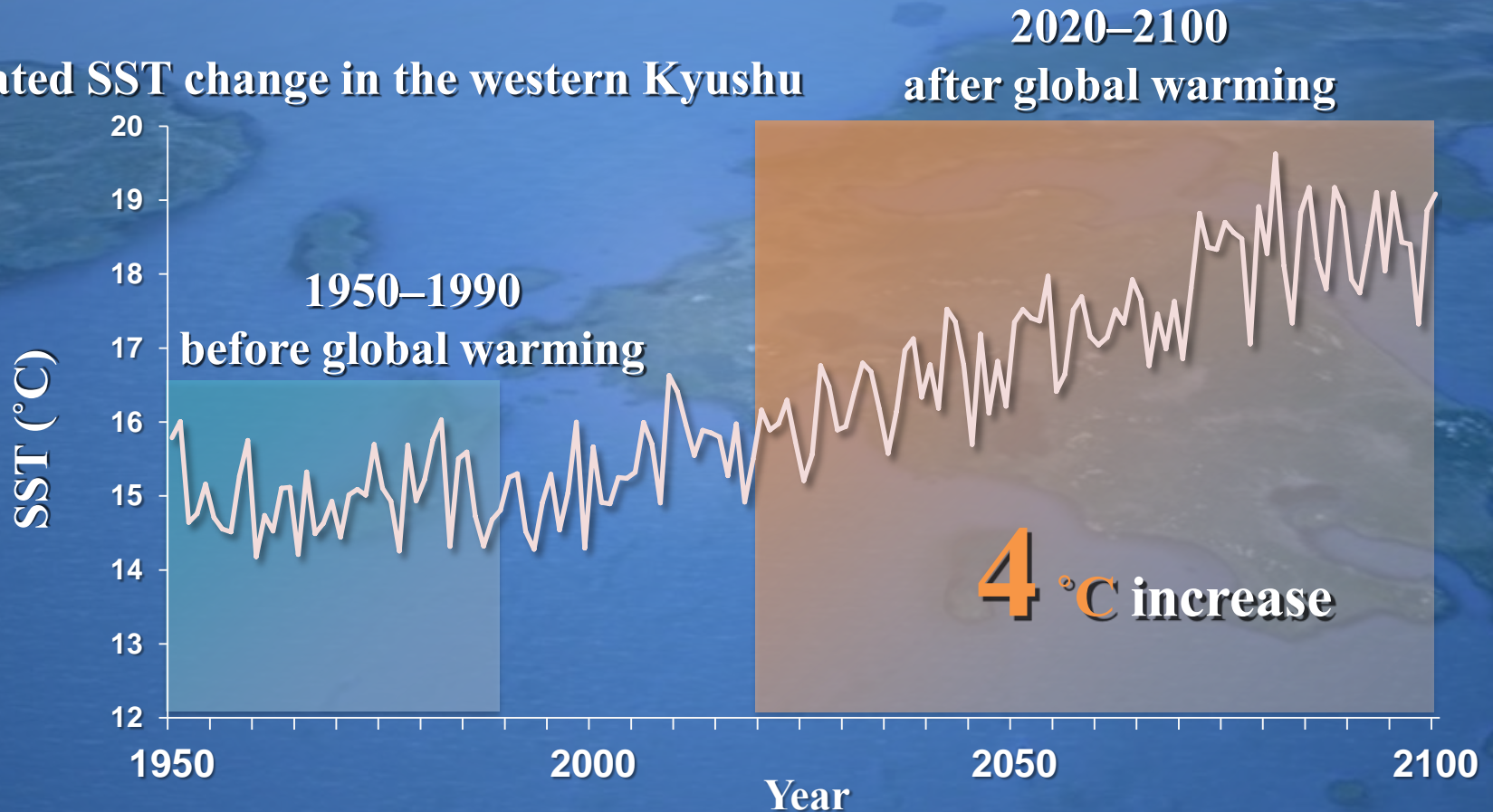
Recruitment and fishery

Estimating the effect of global warming on the larval transport and survival

Global warming scenario

- MIROC (Model for Interdisciplinary Research on Climate).
- IPCC A2 scenario

Estimated SST change in the western Kyushu



Compare the transport success and growth

between before/after global warming

Particle tracking simulation

Hydrodynamic model (Delft 3D-FLOW)

Resolution : 2 km, 5 σ -layers

Initial condition : MIROC

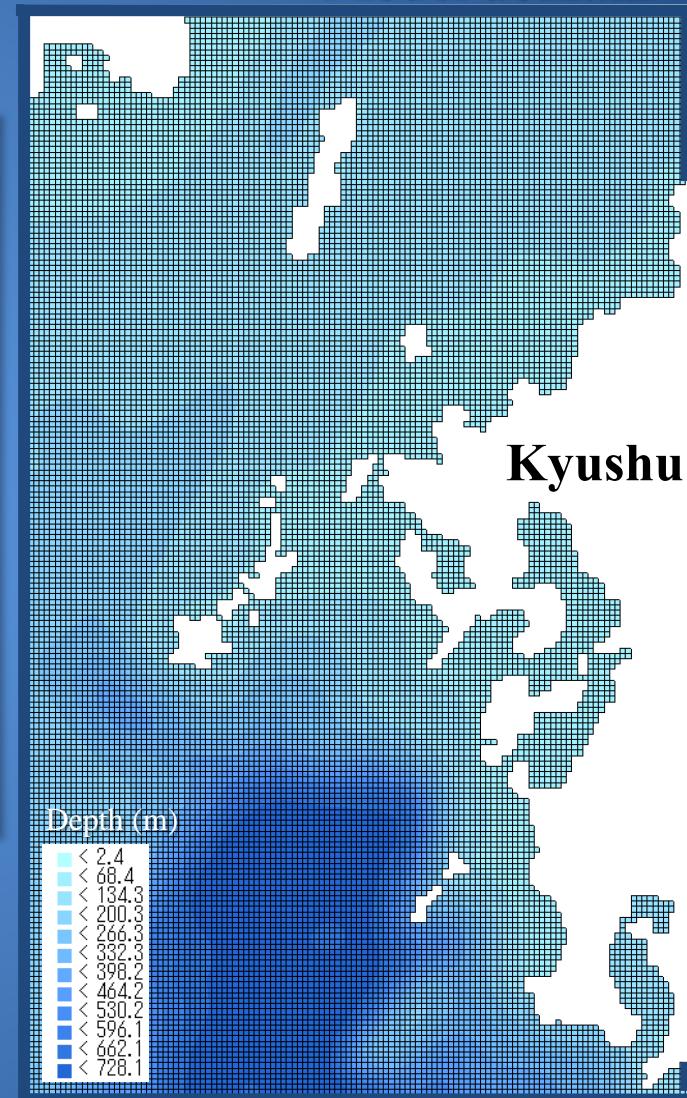
Lateral boundary : MIROC (west/south)
: Water level (east/north)

Surface boundary : Wind-stress, heat flux

Period : 1950–2100, Jan. – May

The model validation was tested by our previous study (please visit poster session)

-Model domain-



Particle release location

Based on the spawning temperature and the modeled SST in each year.

Spawning temperature range

April: **13.7–19.6°C**, May: **15.7–20.1°C**

Lowest spawning temperature

Offshore zone

Coastal zone

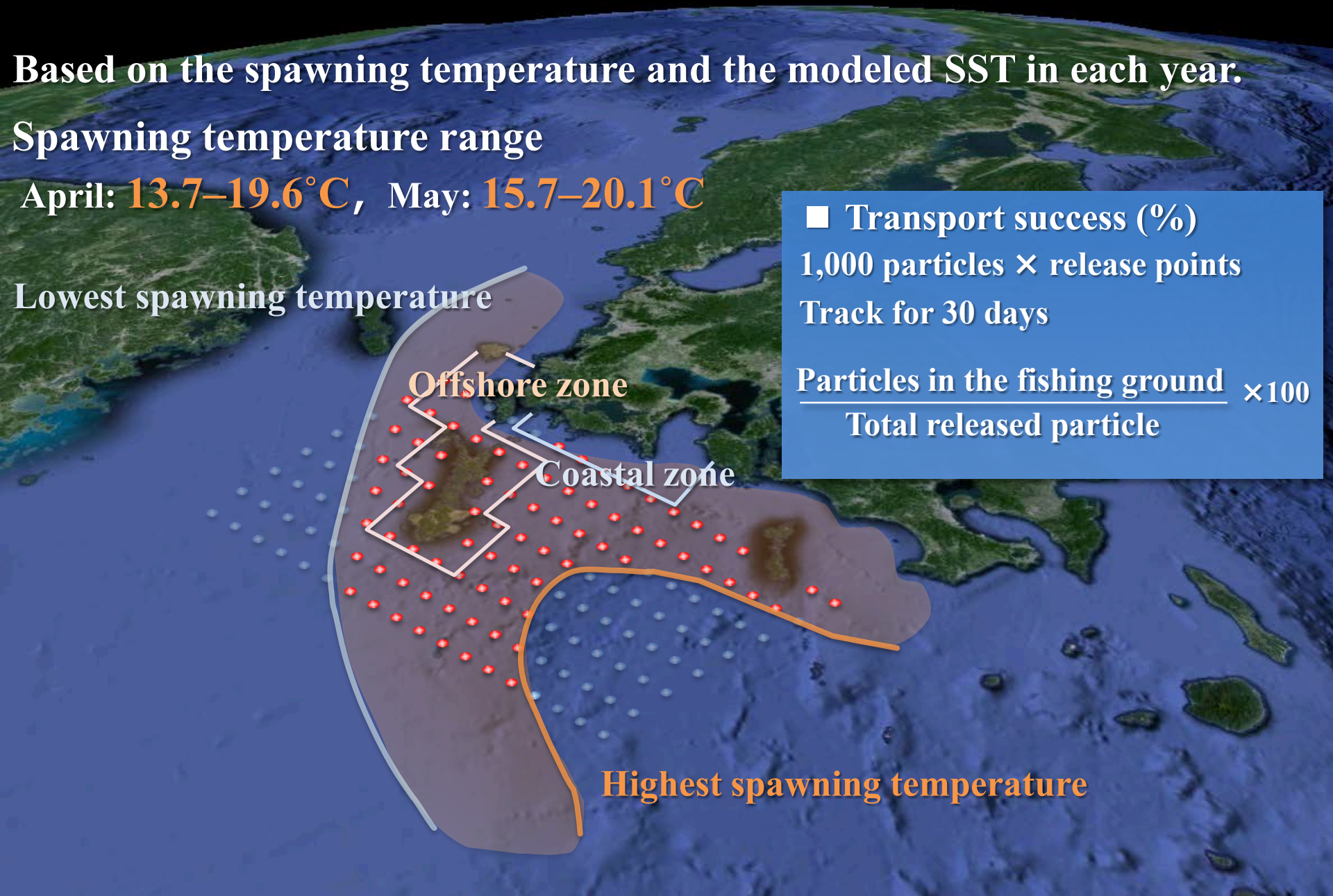
Highest spawning temperature

■ Transport success (%)

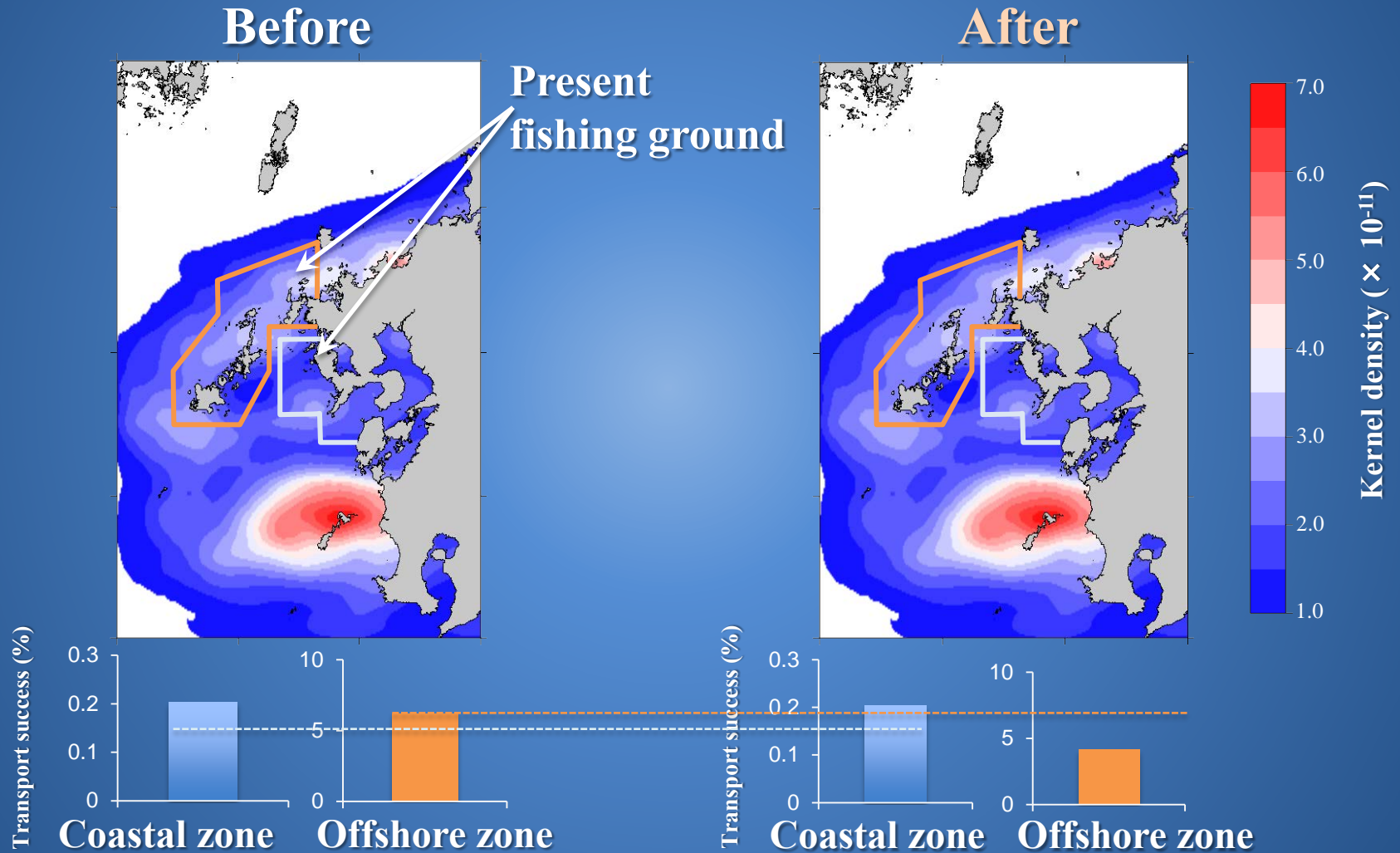
1,000 particles × release points

Track for 30 days

$\frac{\text{Particles in the fishing ground}}{\text{Total released particle}} \times 100$



Result : larval distribution



Why the distribution shifted northward?

Environmental change affecting the transport

Strong Tsushima Warm Current

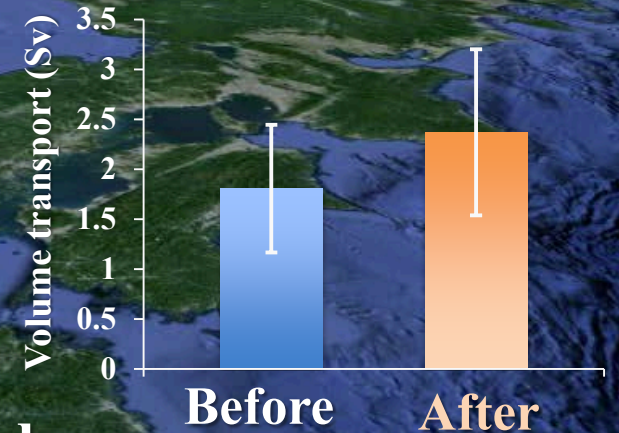
→ transports particle to the Sea of Japan

Northward shift of the spawning ground

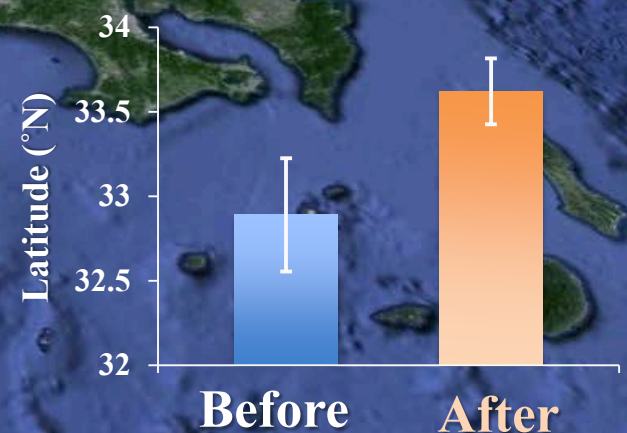
→ unfavorable place to reach the fishing ground



Tsushima Warm Current



Location of the spawning ground

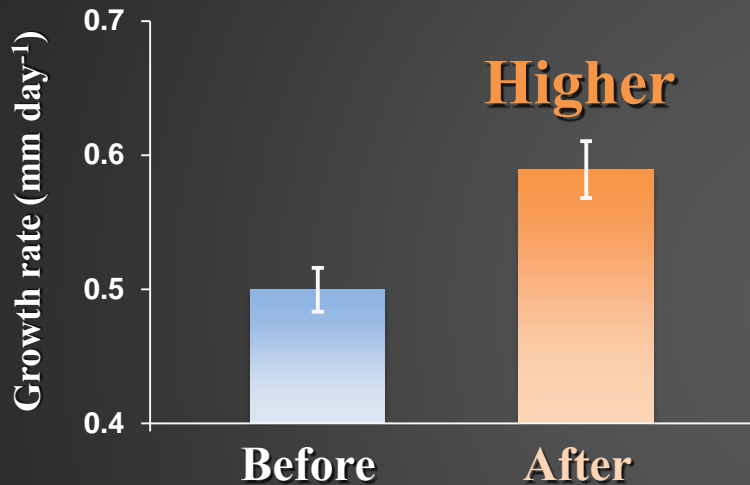


How will the growth and survival change after global warming?

Estimation of the growth rate and food environment

Growth rate

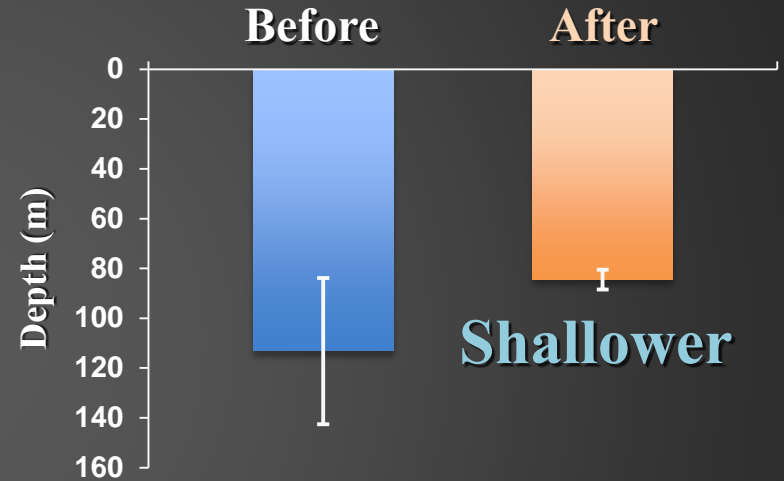
Calculated from the SST
Yasue and Takasuka (2009)



Higher survival rate
during the transport period

Food environment

Mixing layer depth as a proxy



Less nutrient, low primary production
Low food availability

Food availability limit the growth rate
under a higher temperature ($> 19^{\circ}\text{C}$, Takahashi and Watanabe 2004)

Limit the growth and survival

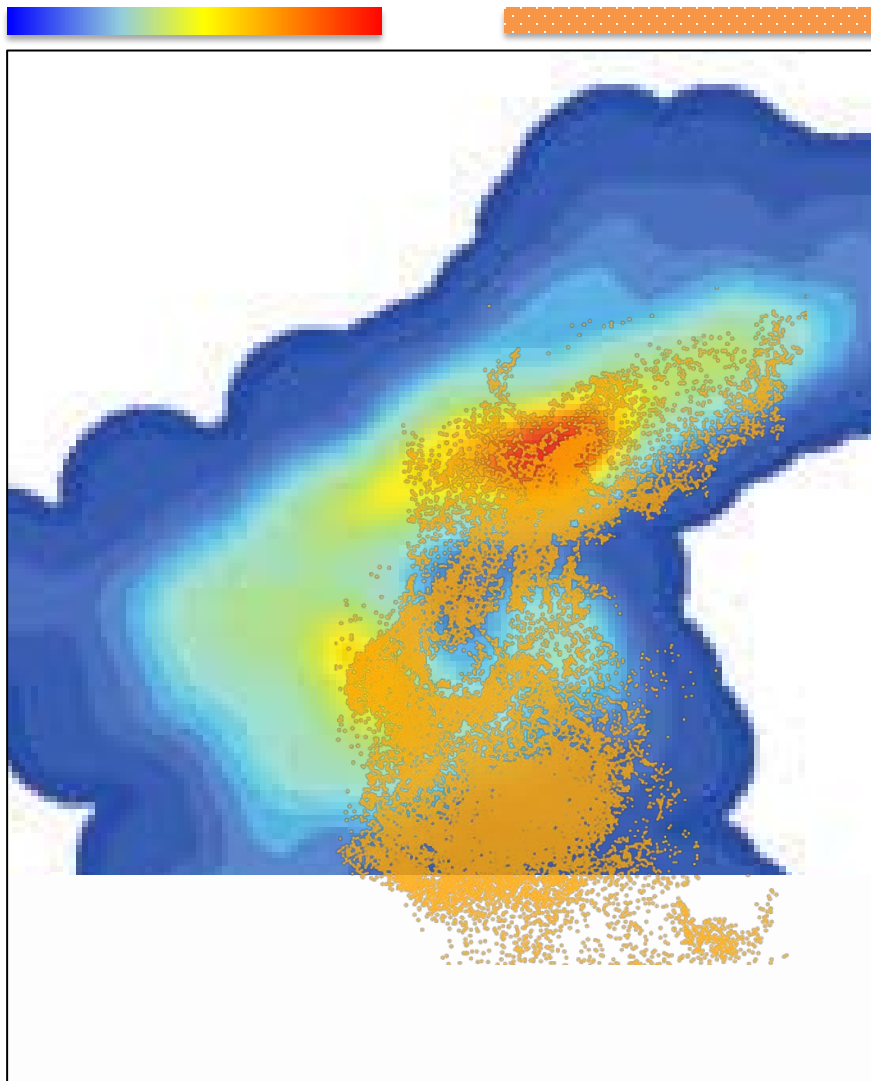
Anchovy as a prey

The image shows a vast school of small, silvery anchovies swimming in a dark blue, slightly murky underwater environment. A larger, darker fish, likely a predator, is seen swimming through the school from the bottom right towards the center. The overall scene illustrates the concept of anchovy as a prey species.

Effect on other species

Effect of shift of anchovy distribution on the bluefin tuna

Juvenile bluefin tuna Modeled anchovy larvae



Kitagawa et al. (2006)

-Present-

Overlap in the distribution of
bluefin tuna and **anchovy**

-Global warming-

Shift of the anchovy distribution
and
Low survival of anchovy



Possibly effect on
the recruit of the predatory fish

Conclusion

Global warming in the western Kyushu

Physical change

Intensified Tsushima Warm Current

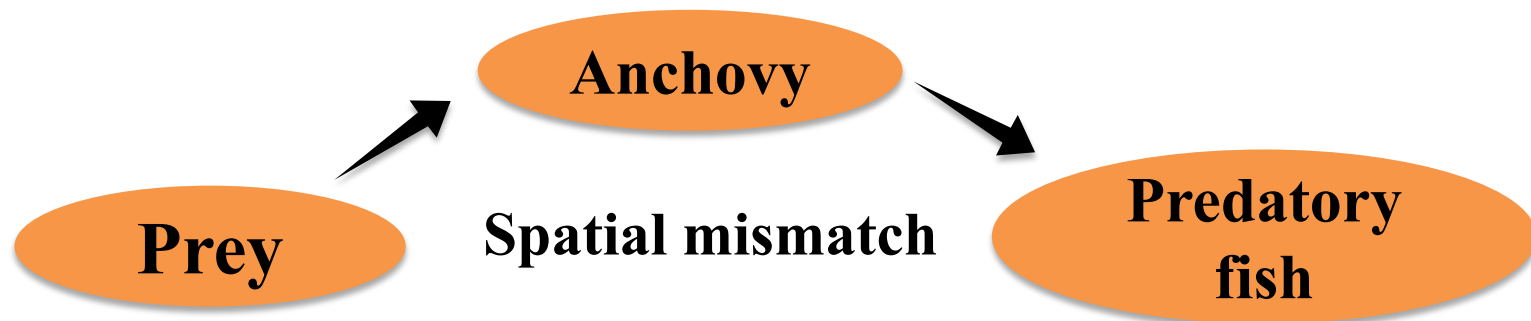
Northward shift of the spawning ground

Weakened water mixing

Effect on anchovy

Change the connectivity between the spawning and nursery ground

Low survival due to the limited food availability



Ecosystem modeling will improve the future state of anchovy recruitment and ecosystems

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