

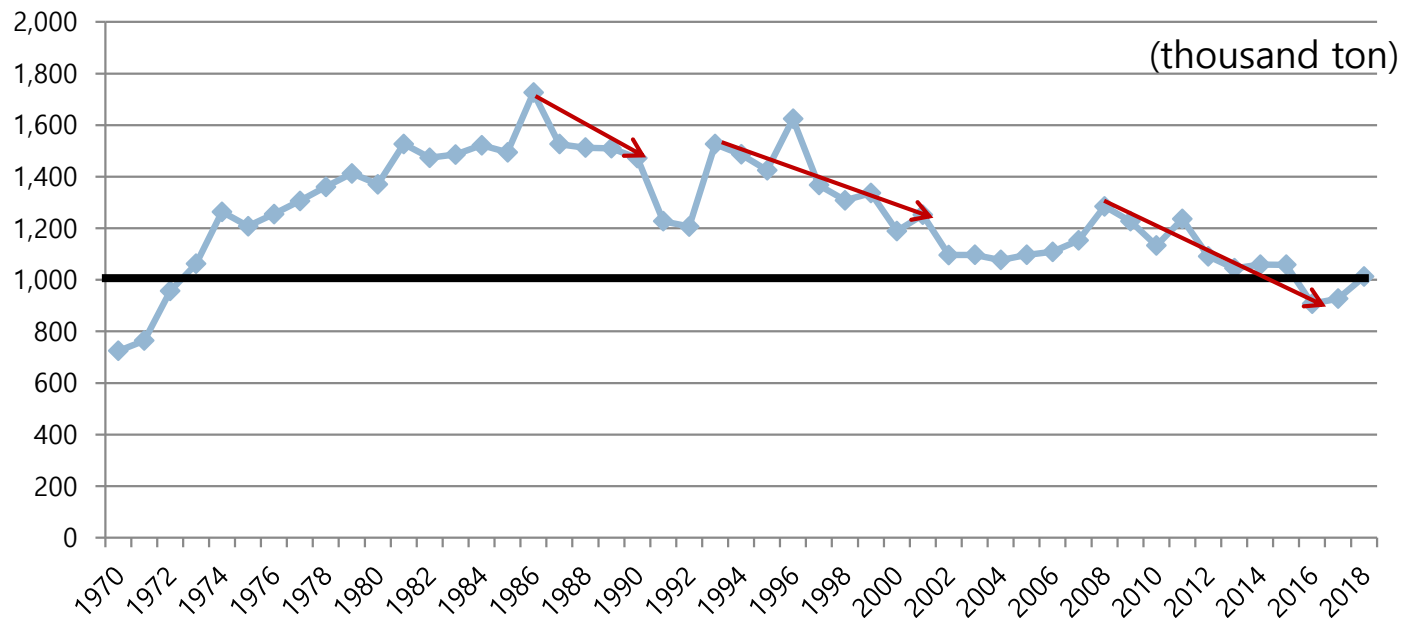
# Estimation of the potential fisheries production in the Korean waters based on biomass size-spectrum model and Ryther's method.

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# Introduction

- Annual fisheries production in the Korean waters (1972-2018)
- ▣ Steadily decrease since the late 1980s



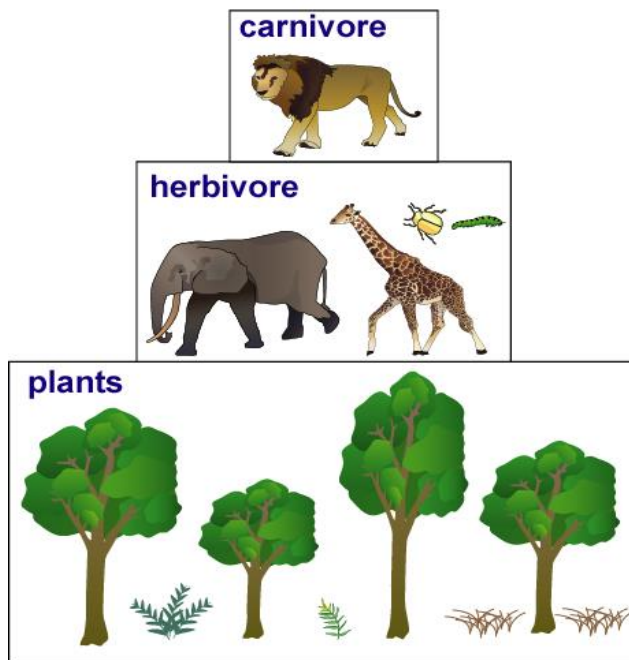
# Objective

- Estimation of the potential fisheries production in the Korean waters based on biomass size-spectrum model with satellite-derived ocean-color data
  1. Estimation of total biomass of phytoplankton by size using satellite-derived ocean-color data
  2. Estimation of total biomass of fish by size using 1. and BSS model
  3. Estimation of the potential fisheries production in the Korean water

# Materials and Methods

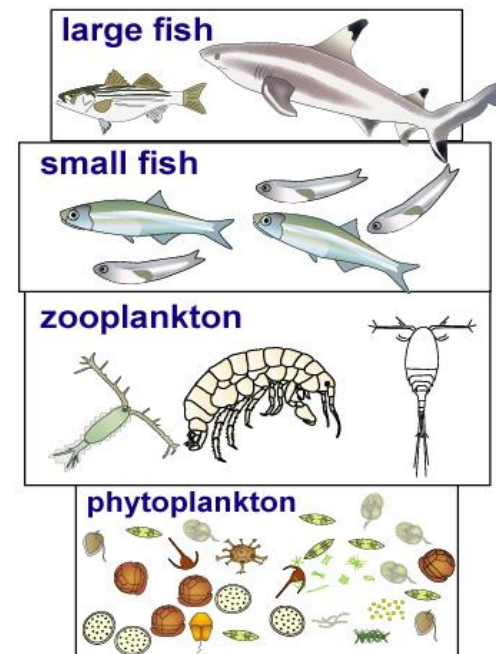
- Allometric scaling at ecosystem trophic level

Terrestrial ecosystems



Eltonian Pyramid

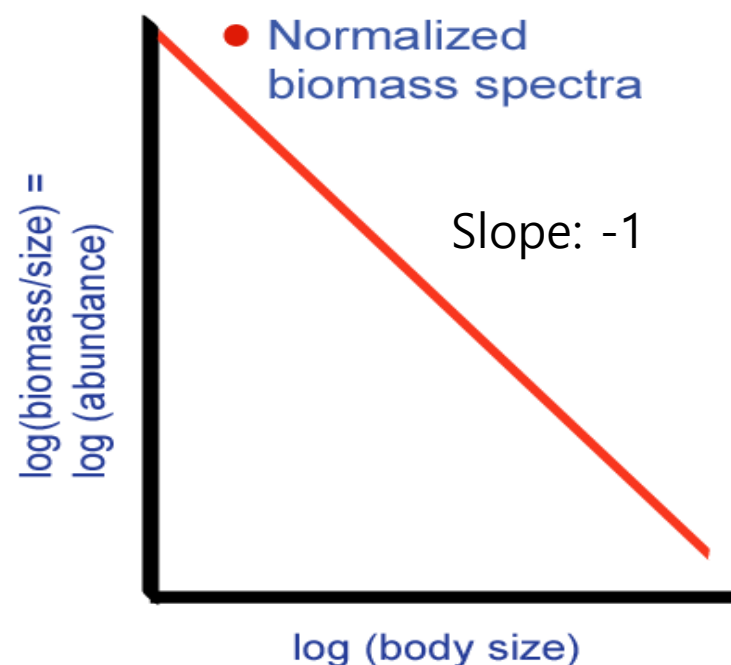
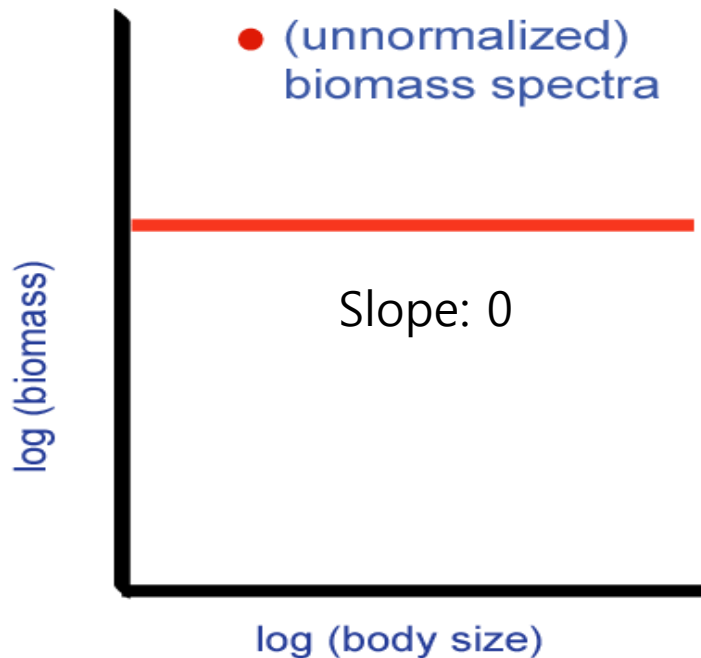
Aquatic ecosystems



Aquatic food chain

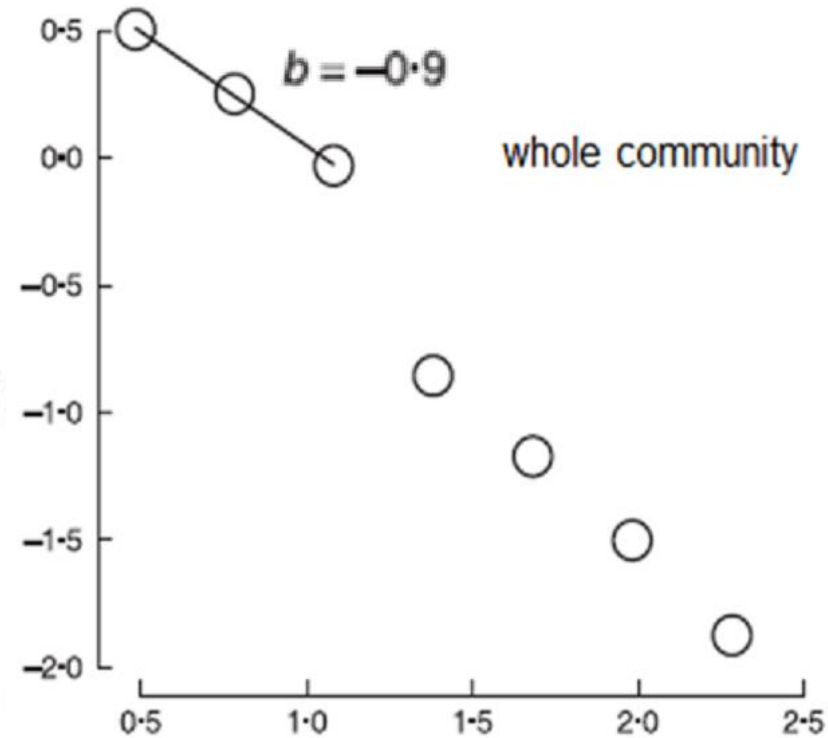
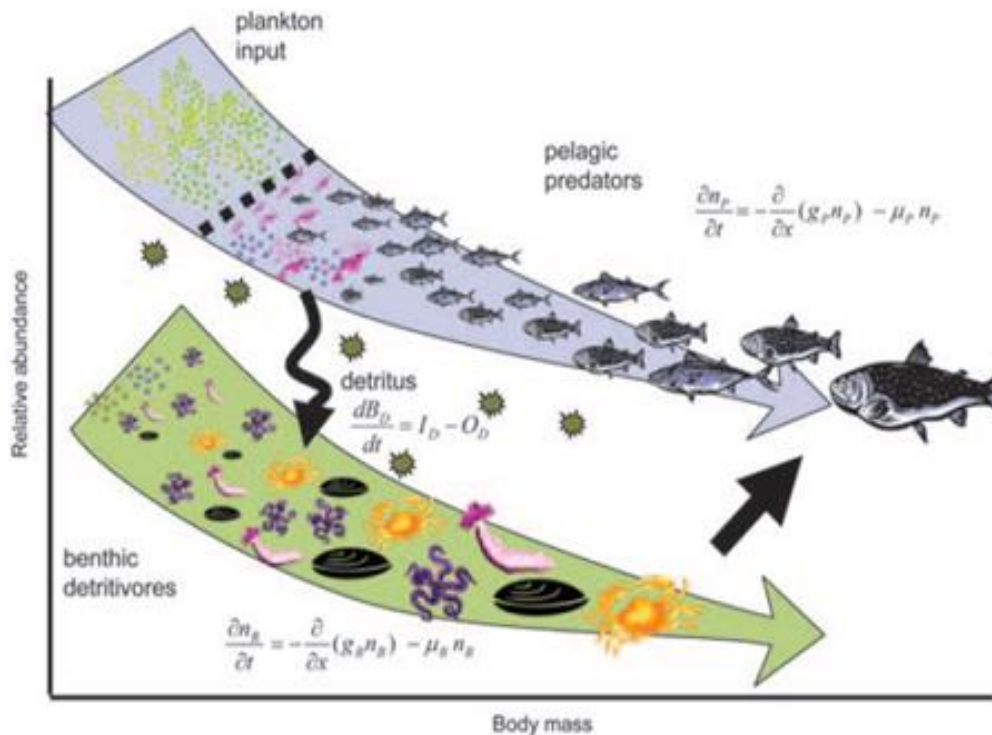
# Materials and Methods

- Basic principle of Biomass size-spectrum (BSS)
  - ▣ Total biomass of organisms is nearly same for each size class



# Materials and Methods

- BSS model for the North Sea
  - ▣ Considered both pelagic and benthic components.



# Materials and Methods

- Phytoplankton
  - ▣ Pico-phytoplankton – 0.2~2  $\mu\text{m}$
  - ▣ Nano-phytoplankton – 2~20  $\mu\text{m}$
  - ▣ Micro-phytoplankton – 20~200  $\mu\text{m}$

# Materials and Methods

## □ Phytoplankton

- weight (pgC cell<sup>-1</sup>) = 0.216\*volume<sup>0.939</sup>

(Menden & Lessard ,2000)

- 1 g wet weight = 1.3 kcal (Banse & Mosher, 1980)

- 1 g C = 10 kcal (Jones, 1984)

- Pico-phytoplankton – 1.86x10<sup>-9</sup> g/cell

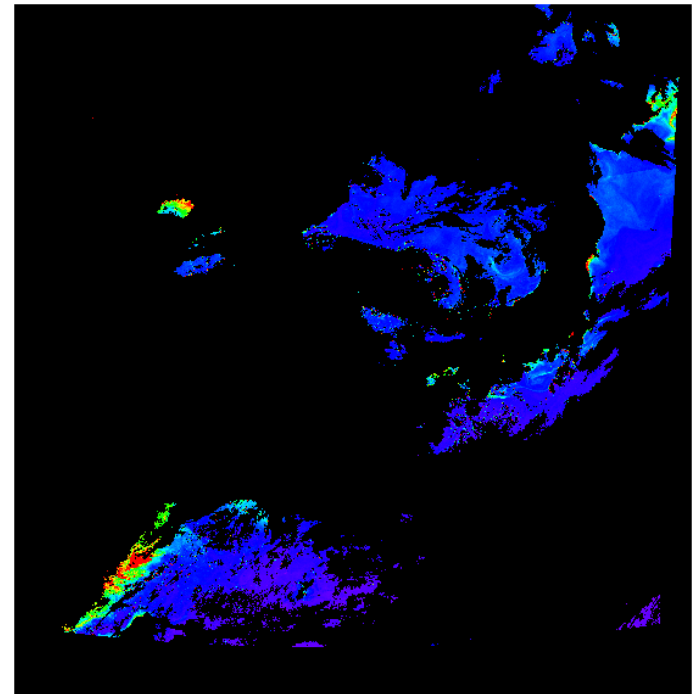
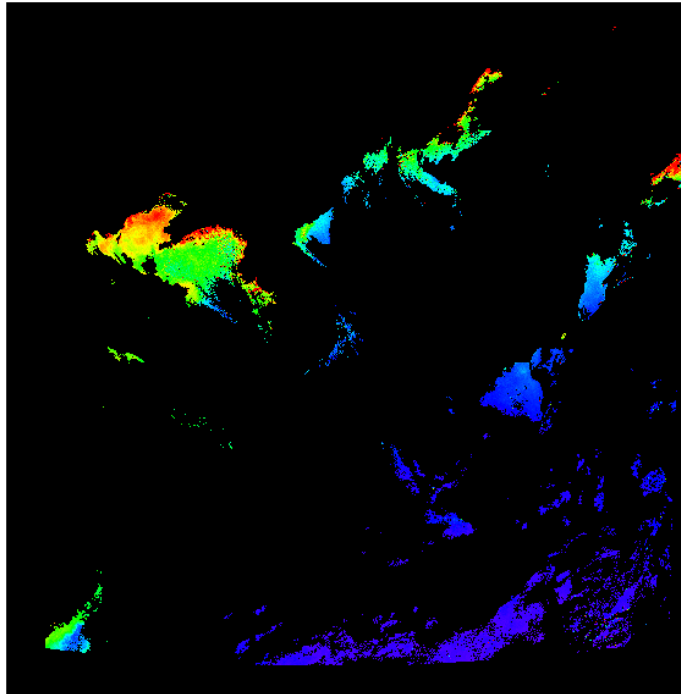
- Nano-phytoplankton – 9.53x10<sup>-7</sup> g/cell

- Micro-phytoplankton – 4.88x10<sup>-4</sup> g/cell



# Materials and Methods

- Ocean-color data in 2014 measured by the Geostationary Ocean Color Imager (GOCI)



The distribution of chlorophyll-a at 20140118 and 20140714

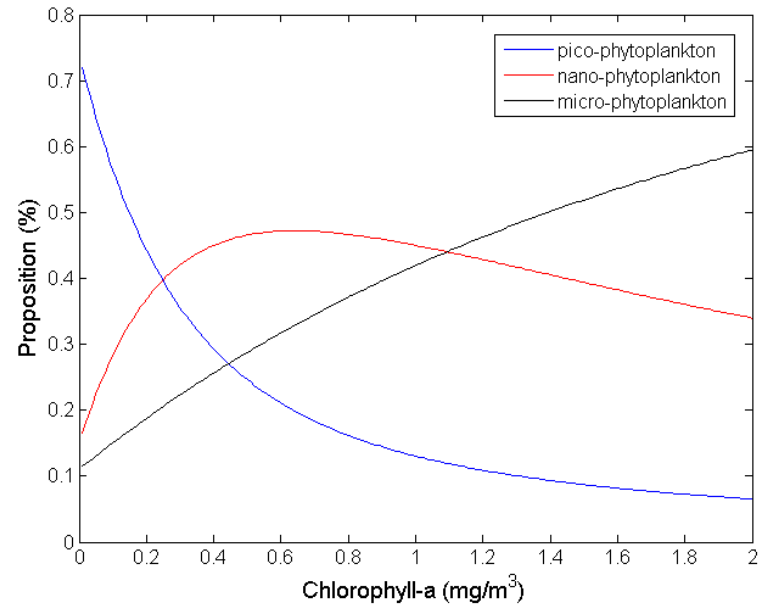
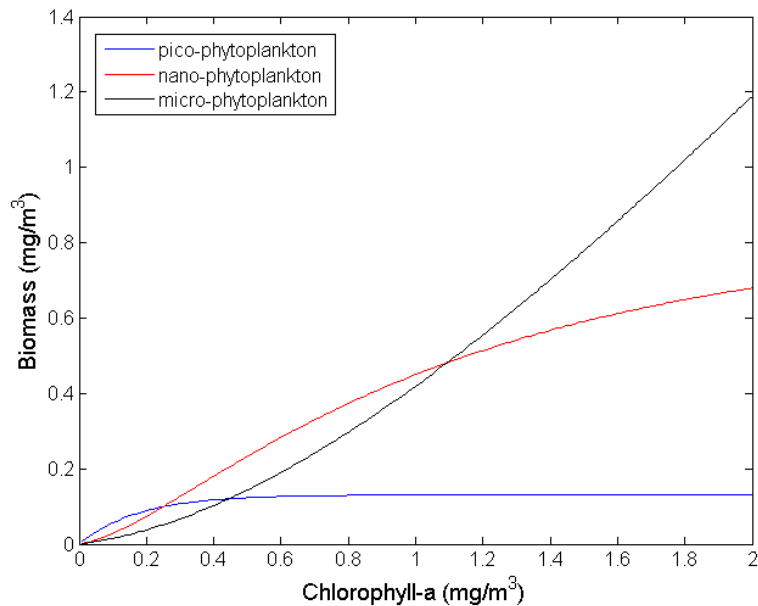
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- Calculation formula of biomass of phytoplankton by size class

$C = C_p + C_n + C_m$	$C = C_p + C_n + C_m$
$C_{pn} = C_{pn}^m [1 - \exp(-S_{pn}C)]$	$C_{pn} = 0.9617 [1 - \exp(-0.9248 C)]$
$C_m = C - C_{pn}$	$C_m = C - C_{pn}$
$C_p = C_p^m [1 - \exp(-S_p C)]$	$C_p = 0.1308 [1 - \exp(-5.659 C)]$
$C_n = C_{pn} - C_p$	$C_n = C_{pn} - C_p$
$F_p = C_p / C$	$F_p = C_p / C$
$F_n = C_n / C$	$F_n = C_n / C$
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# Materials and Methods

- Biomass and ratio of phytoplankton by size according to chlorophyll-a amount



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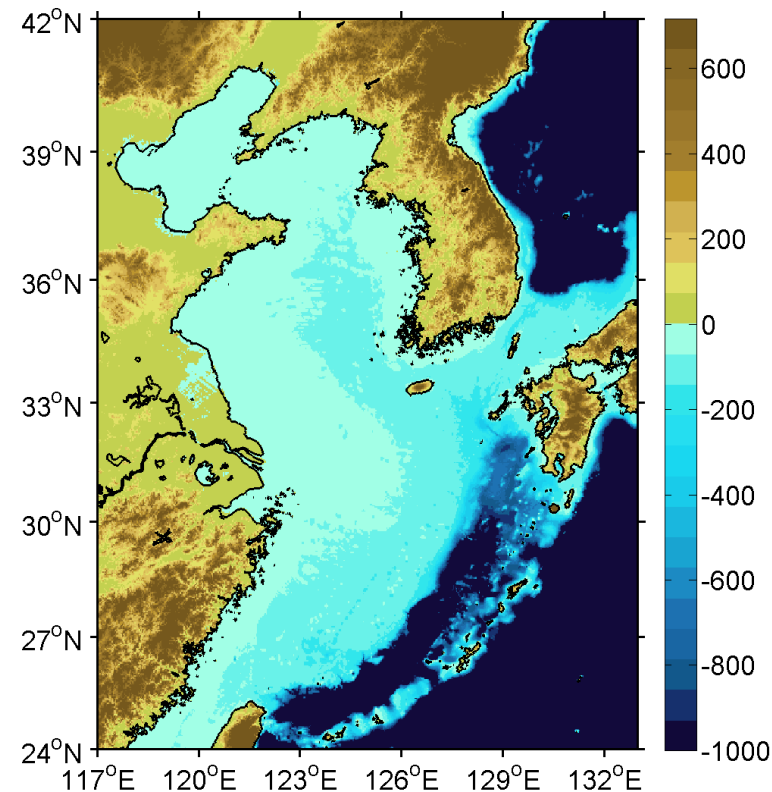
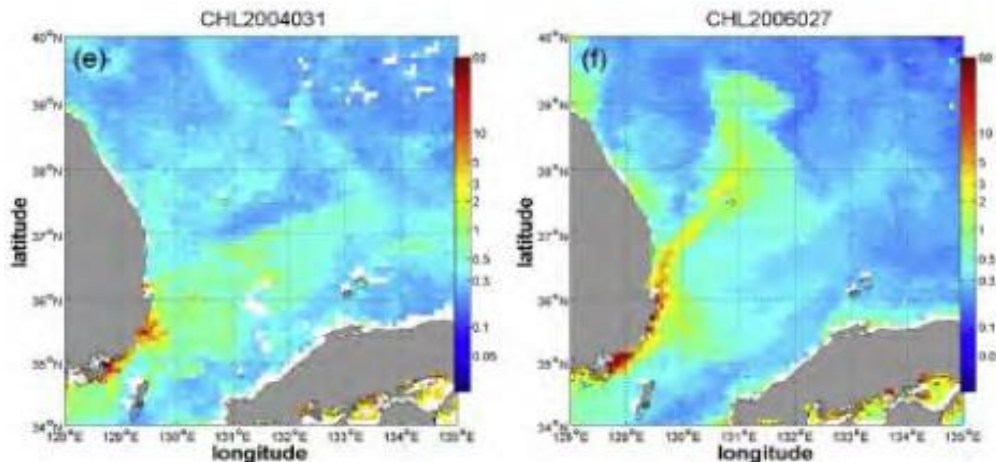
## □ Ryther's ecosystem method (1969)

Province	Percentage of ocean	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Mean Productivity (grams of carbon/m <sup>2</sup> /yr)	Total productivity (10 <sup>9</sup> tons of carbon/yr)
Open sea	90	326×10 <sup>6</sup>	50	16.3
Coastal zone	9.9	36×10 <sup>6</sup>	100	3.6
Upwelling areas	0.1	3.6×10 <sup>5</sup>	300	0.1
Total				20.0

Province	Primary production [tons (organic carbon)]	Trophic levels	Efficiency (%)	Fish production [tons (fresh wt.)]
Open sea	16.3×10 <sup>9</sup>	5	10	16×10 <sup>5</sup>
Coastal zone	3.6×10 <sup>9</sup>	3	15	12×10 <sup>7</sup>
Upwelling areas	0.1×10 <sup>9</sup>	1 1/2	20	12×10 <sup>7</sup>
Total				24×10 <sup>7</sup>

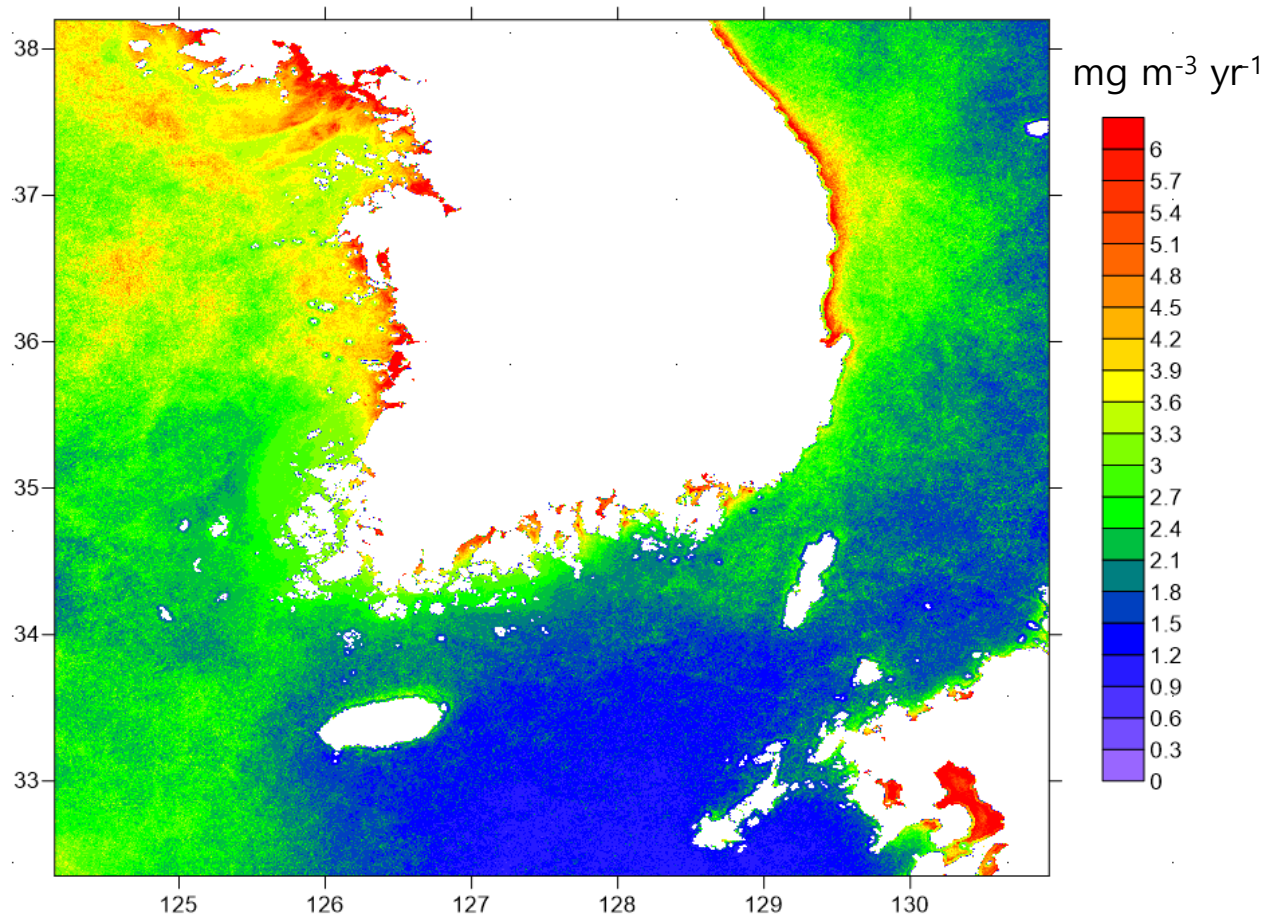
# Materials and Methods

- Separation of Korea EEZ waters
  - ▣ Total area : 300,000 km<sup>2</sup>
  - ▣ Open ocean : 95,000 km<sup>2</sup>
  - ▣ Coastal zone : 200,000 km<sup>2</sup>
  - ▣ Upwelling : 5,000 km<sup>2</sup>



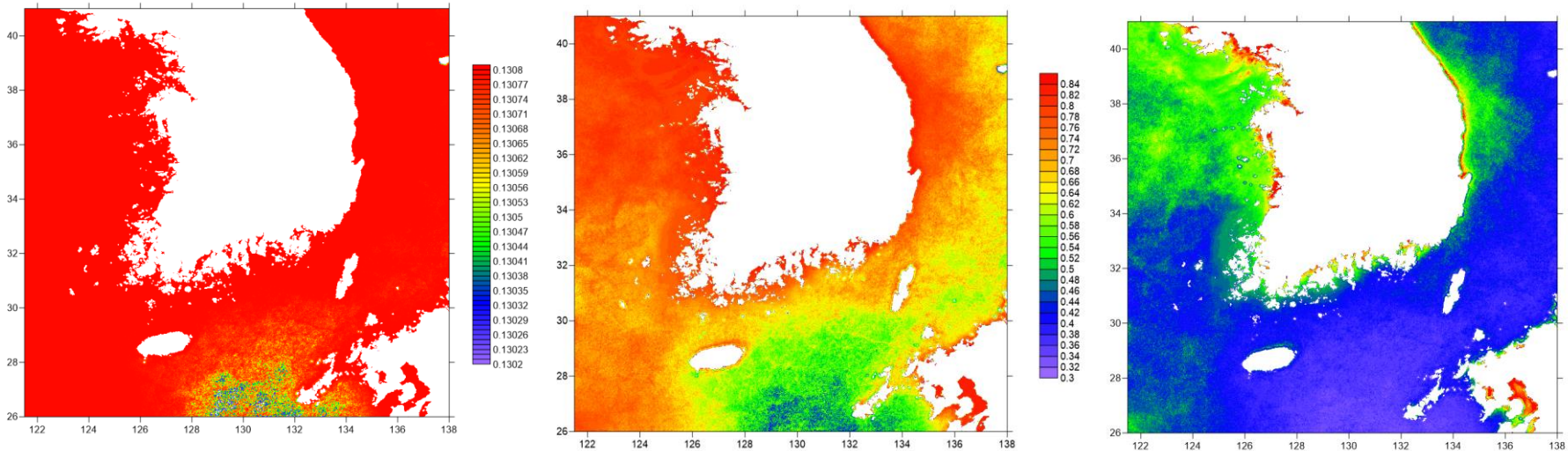
# Results

- Distribution of average of chlorophyll-a in 2014



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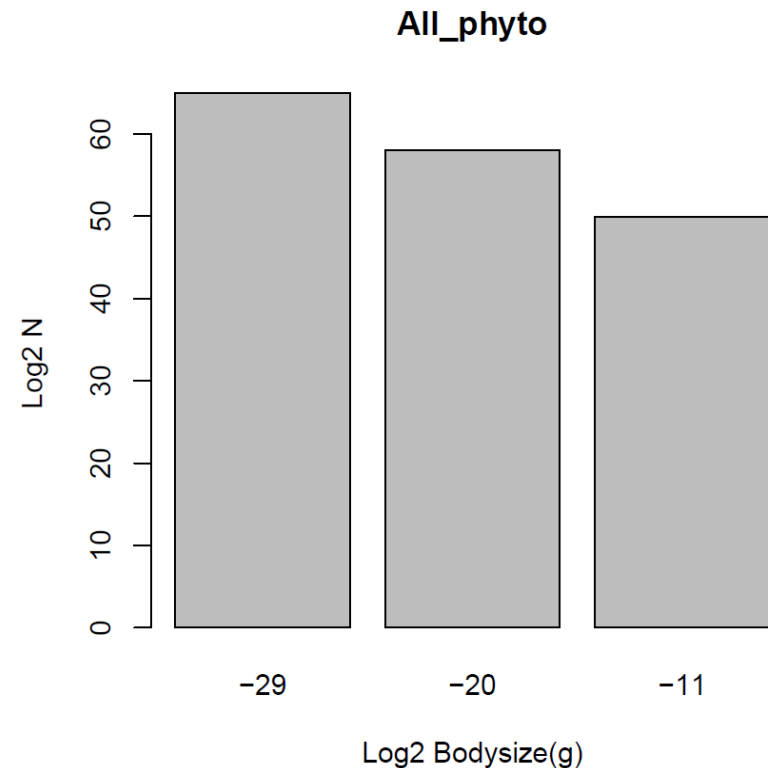
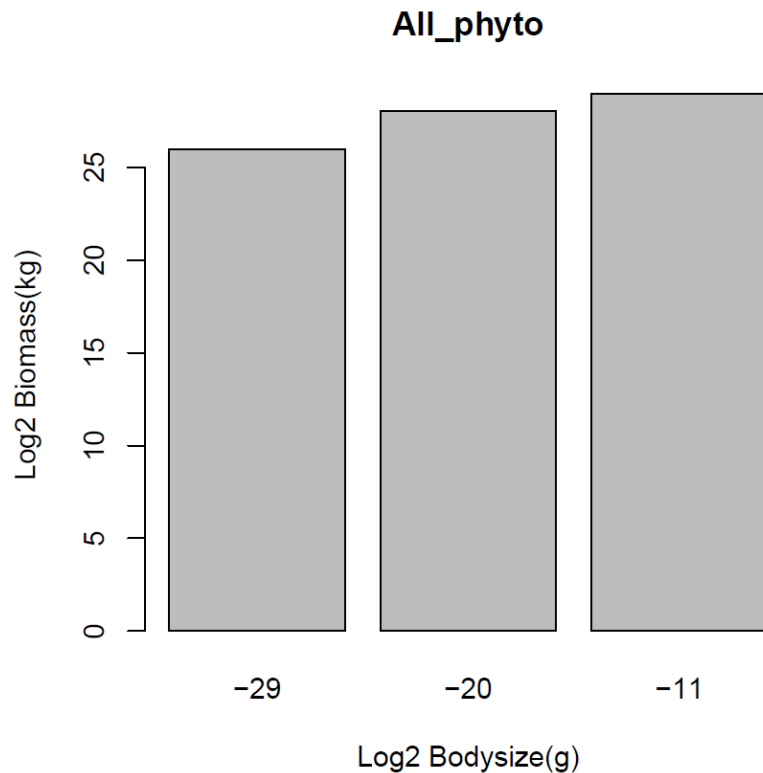
- Distribution of phytoplankton biomass by size
  - ▣ Using the GOCI data in 2014 and the calculation formula



(left-pico, middle-nano, right-micro, mg/m<sup>3</sup>)

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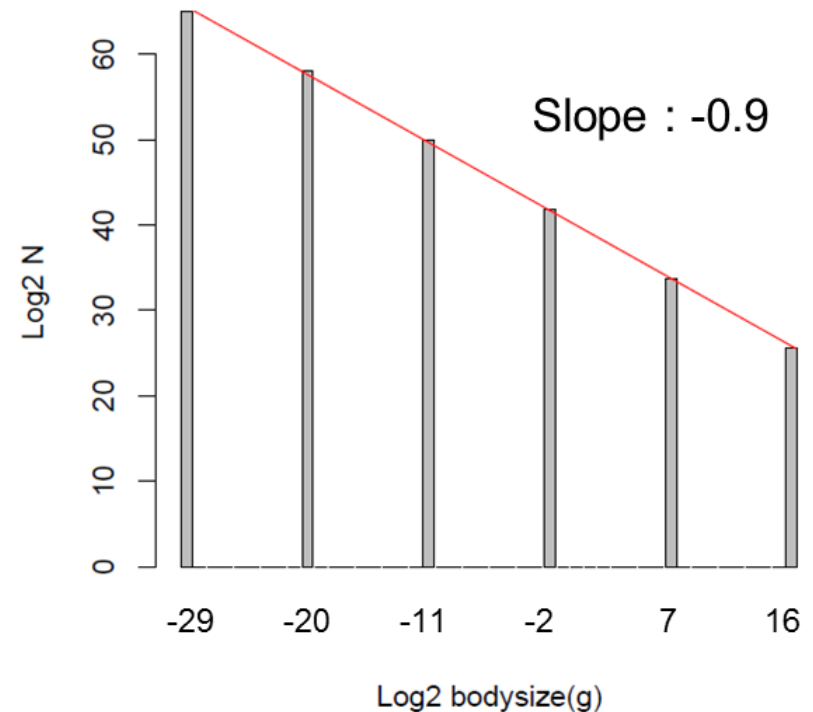
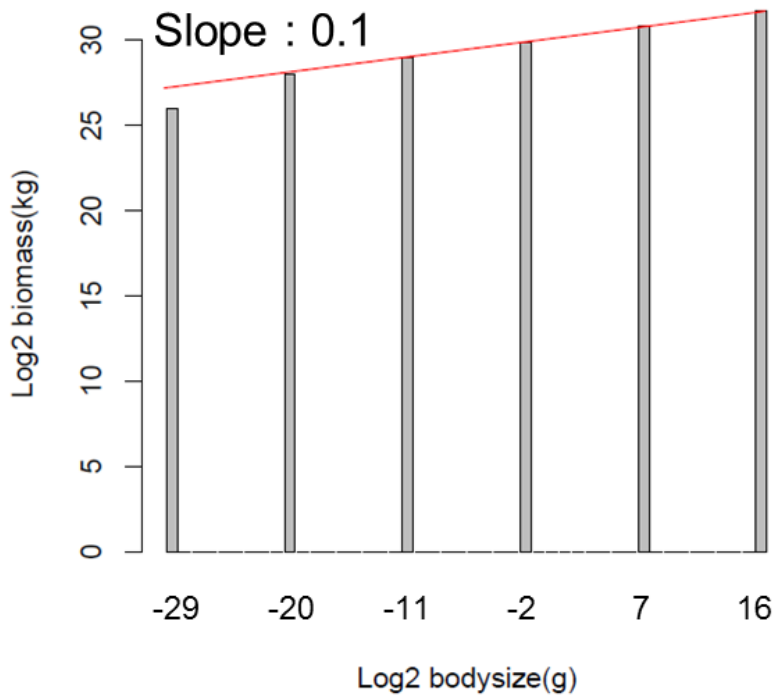
- Total biomass and abundance of phytoplankton by size in the Korean waters





# Results

- BSS model for 2014 Korean waters considering pelagic and benthic system



# Results

- Total annual potential fisheries production based on BSS model was ca. 5.28 million tons
  - ▣ P/B ratio :  $P(w) = \beta(w) * 10^{0.44 - 0.26 \log_{10}(w)}$   
(Banse& Mosher, 1980)

		Slope = -0.9					
log2(mass) (g/cell)	mass (g/cell)	log2(N)	N	Biomass (ton)	P/B	Production (ton)	
-29	1.8626E-09	65	3.59E+19	66,873			
-20	9.5367E-07	58	2.87E+17	273,597			
-11	4.8828E-04	50	1.07E+15	520,934			
-2	0.25	42	3.81E+12	952,721	3.69	3,514,601	Total(ton)
7	128	34	1.39E+10	1,777,840	0.73	1,295,367	(0.25g~66536g)
16	65536	26	5.06E+07	3,317,567	0.14	477,430	5,287,399

# Results

- Total annual potential fisheries production using Ryther's ecosystem method was ca. 2.5 million tons
- The actual maximum catch is about 1 million tons

	EZZ	Mean productivity	Total productivity
	Area	(grams of carbon/m <sup>2</sup> /yr)	(tons of carbon/yr)
Open ocean(East sea)	95,000 km <sup>2</sup>	50	4,750,000
Coastal zone(Yellow+south sea)	200,000 km <sup>2</sup>	100	20,000,000
Upwelling area	5,000 km <sup>2</sup>	300	1,500,000
Total	300,000 km <sup>2</sup>		24,750,000

Total productivity	Trophic levels	Efficiency	Fish product	Fish product	
(tons of carbon/yr)		(%)	(tons of carbon/yr)	(tons of total weight/yr)	
4,750,000	5	10	48	475	
20,000,000	3	15	67,500	675,000	
1,500,000	1.5	20	180,000	1,800,000	
24,750,000			247,548	2,475,475	2.48E+06

# Summary

- The estimated the potential fisheries production based on BSS model was ca. 5.28 million tons
- The estimated the potential fisheries production using Ryther's ecosystem method was ca. 2.5 million tons
- Korean fishermen harvest about 1 million tons every year.

# Future works

- Estimation of the potential fisheries production in the Korean waters based on BSS with inclusion of zooplankton measured by laser optical plankton counter
- Evaluation of climate-change effects on the potential fisheries production in the Korean waters using the biomass size spectrum model.

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