The influences of climatic variability on summertime environmental variations and ecosystem structures around the waters of Taiwan Bank

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Taiwan Bank

- The Taiwan Bank (TB) is located in the southern Taiwan Strait, the marine environments are affected by China Coastal Currents, South China Sea Warm Current and Kuroshio Branch Current.
- In summer, the surface current is predominantly by wind driven, and the bottom current flows upwards from the continental slope with four major upwelling regions.



Upwelling character

- The upwelling area usually has low sea surface temperature (SST), high CHLaorophyll-a (CHL-a) and high primary production (PP).
- There are lots of fishing ground at the upwelling area including TB upwelling.







In summer, the temperature difference between the upwelling area and the general area is $1-3^{\circ}$ C (Tang et al, 2002)

Cited from Tang, et al. 2002 Jun-Sep, 1998

Primary production & PPR

- Primary production (PP), produced by autotrophs organisms, supporting the most initial energy in the energy flow of the entire food web.
- Primary production required (PPR), convert the catch to the same value of primary productivity which is a comparable energy unit.
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Previous study used PPR in large scale area (global) to analysis the character and variation by each ecosystems (LME).



Mean

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Mean annual primary production (t C km⁻² year⁻¹)

Cited from Chassot, et al. 2010

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consumers

Secondary

Trophic Level 4

Trophic Level 3

Is it able to used the same concept on local small scale area? How to define the each area in it and aggregate the fishery data?

Mean annual catch (t km

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Mean annual primary production (t C km⁻² year⁻¹)

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Purpose of Study

• Create models to express the PPR in different regions and habitat in local small scale area.

Hypothesis

- 1. The climate change will lead the environment variation effect the PPR of TB area.
- 2. Different regions in TB area has different environment characters, upwelling area is directly affected by upwelling straight.
- 3. The PPR of front area has most value and highly representative in TB area.

Flow chart



Data collection

- Environment data : Sea surface temperature (SST), Chlorophyll a (CHL-a) are daily data. Monthly Net Primary Production (NPP) data was calculated by Vertically Generalized Production Model (VGPM).
- Climate Index : Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO), Multivariate ENSO Index (MEI), Western Pacific Oscillation (WPO)
- Fishery data : VDR data and logbook data from 2011-2015.

DATA	Source	Resolution	Time
SST	NOAA AVHRR	0.01 °	2002-2015
CHL-a	Aqua MODIS	0.01 °	2002-2015
NPP	Ocean Productivity	9km	2002-2015
Fishery data	VDR and logbook	0.1 °	2011-2015

Materials and methods

Fishery data

VDR DATA

• Voyage Data Recorder, VDR, through it we can get the vessel number, work hour, work position, and speed.

fishing boat dynamic



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	宏盈六號	2015	4	25	下雑魚	5	3	3-15	刺網
	宏盈六號	2015	4	27	石狗公	2	0.8	3-15	刺網
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LOGBOOK

• Collect by Port inspector, including vessel number, catch species, catch weights, fishing area, fishing gears. Materials and methods

Upwelling Index

UI_{SST}

- SST based upwelling index, *UI*_{SST}
- $UI_{SST} = SST_{(lon, lat)} SST_{mean}$
- Use the cumulative frequency of the UI_{SST} to define the upwelling Ranks.



Cumulative frequency distribution

Primary Production Required

• Convert fishing catches to same value of primary productivity.

$$PPR = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{C_i}{9}\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{TE}\right)^{TL_i - 1}$$

 C_i : catch weight (ton) TE: Transfer efficiency TL_i : Trophic level

species	TL	weight %
Scombridae	3.75	44.70%
Carangidae	3.7	14.20%
Auxis rochei rochei	4.27	4.54%
Acetes intermedius	2.26	2.98%
Metanephrops thomsoni	2	1.32%
Trichiurus spp.	4.42	1.12%
Sepia esculenta	3.39	1.12%
Pennahia argentata	3.72	0.85%
Trachurus japonicus	3.4	0.79% r
Loliginidae	4	0.74%

Dividing the PPR in Pelagic and Benthic with different character and habitat with species.

Define the areas

- Grid the study area (118-120E, 22-24N) at 0.2 degrees resolution monthly data.
- Define TB area and exclude Dong Sheng areas.
- Divided into Upwelling area, Front area, and Non-upwelling area according SST gradient and Chl-a concentration.



Overlap the SST gradient Front: blue



GAM (Generalized Additive Models)

- GAM model can represent highly nonlinear and nonmonotonic relationships between responses and sets of explanatory variables.
- To create the PPR model, the environmental factors (SST, NPP, Chl-a), upwelling index (SST ranks) and climate index (MEI, WPO, PDO) were used as the predictor variables. Formula as below,

log(PPR + c)= $a_0 + s(NPP) + s(CHL) + s(SST) + s(sst rank) + s(MEI)$ + s(WPO) + s(PDO)

• The model with the optimal conformation was selected using a stepwise procedure that was based on the lowest value of Akaike's information criterion (AIC)

AIC= $-2\ln(L)+2P$ L: Likelihood function P: number of factors

SST & CHL-a

SST & CHL-a spatial distribution of Summertime (Jun-Sep)



2002-2015

- The average SST is 28.27°C, lowest in June highest in August.
- The averages CHL-a is 0.53mg/m^2 , lowest in June. SST & CHL-a



°C

2003

Result

UI_{SST} RANK



2002-2015

Time series diagram of UI_{SST} RANK and climate index



Upwelling is strongest in June and weakest in August.

Upwelling has variation with WPO and MEI index

Result

Fishery data - Method Species distribution



Result

NPP & PPR

Time series of PPR from 2011-2015

PPR & PP

Correlations Marked correlations are significant at p < .05000 N=20

	SST	Chl	NPP	Total Rank	PPR	MEI	WPO	PDO	The PPR has the negative
SST	1.00	0.17	-0.33	-0.75	0.09	-0.06	-0.29	-0.11	correlation with Chl-a.
Chl	0.17	1.00	0.08	-0.06	-0.49	0.38	-0.36	0.30	MEL DDO
NPP	-0.33	0.08	1.00	0.21	0.21	-0.07	0.14	0.08	MEI, PDO.
Total Rank	-0.75	-0.06	0.21	1.00	-0.08	0.23	0.32	0.12	
PPR	0.09	-0.49	0.21	-0.08	1.00	-0.49	0.19	-0.49	Dividing the PPR with
MEI	-0.06	0.38	-0.07	0.23	-0.49	1.00	-0.24	0.79	
WPO	-0.29	-0.36	0.14	0.32	0.19	-0.24	1.00	-0.35	different areas and species
PDO	-0.11	0.30	0.08	0.12	-0.49	0.79	-0.35	1.00	to further analysis.

Time series of Benthic PPR & NPP



GAM

- Benthic species are affected by NPP and CHL, which is larger than the Pelagic species.
- Overall, Pelagic PPR seems more related with total PPR.

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*Red means p value less the 0.05

		s(SST)	s(CHL)	s(NPP)	s(total_rank)	s(WPO)	s(MEI)	s(PDO)
	PPR	0.79%	4.13%	7.83%	1.49%	0.57%	3.37%	2.23%
Upwelling	PPR_Benthic	0.43%	7.06%	20.60%	0.48%	2.66%	2.83%	0.75%
	PPR_Pelagic	1.56%	2.74%	2.92%	1.73%	3.91%	3.51%	8.11%
	PPR	4.93%	14.90%	25%	6.41%	0.12%	0.90%	1.14%
Front	PPR_Benthic	2.84%	18%	25.70%	3.47%	0.84%	2.06%	0.17%
	PPR_Pelagic	4.58%	10.90%	18.90%	5.11%	0.08%	0.65%	4.87%
Non-	PPR	2.93%	0.08%	0.04%	0.02%	1.49%	3.39%	4.02%
Upwelling	PPR_Benthic	0.30%	11.40%	8.05%	0.66%	0.00%	0.27%	0.12%
	PPR_Pelagic	4.04%	2.61%	2.58%	0.13%	1.83%	5.26%	6.04%

				Deviance
		Optimal models	R-sq.(adj)	explained
	PPR	s(NPP)+s(MEI)+s(PDO))	0.174	23.10%
Upwelling	PPR_Benthic	s(NPP)+s(CHL))	0.191	22.80%
	PPR_Pelagic	s(WPO)+s(MEI)+s(NPP)+s(total_rank))	0.109	15.50%
	PPR	s(NPP)+s(CHL)+s(total_rank)+s(SST)+s(MEI))	0.37	39.60%
Front	PPR_Benthic	s(NPP)+s(CHL)+s(total_rank)+s(SST)+s(MEI))	0.379	40.60%
	PPR_Pelagic	s(NPP)+s(CHL)+s(total_rank)+s(PDO)+s(SST))	0.315	34.30%
Non-	PPR	s(PDO)+s(MEI)+s(SST))	0.0648	8.27%
Upwelling	PPR_Benthic	s(CHL)+s(NPP)+s(total_rank))	0.106	11.40%
	PPR_Pelagic	s(PDO)+s(MEI)+s(SST)+s(NPP)+s(CHL))	0.106	12.70%

- Front area are effect by NPP, CHL, SST Rank and SST, the explained are most higher.
- Non-upwelling area is more affected by climate index than other area.

Discussion- the front area

- The model of Front area has most highest deviance explained.
- SST front have a influence on primary productivity and vertical mixing of nutrients.
- The fishing distribution of squids (Chang, 2004) has highly correlated. There are several study show the same result. (Scales et al, 2014)



cited from Chang, 2004

Figure 20. High CPUE locations superimposed on weekly Chl-a composite maps in July of 2005(b) and 2006(c).

- PPR of front area has effected by upwelling index, which means the straight of upwelling has the correction with PPR variation in front area.
- And through the oceanography, fish will gathering in front area.

Discussion

Benthos and Pelagic



- Benthic species are more affected by NPP and CHL than by climate index, which means the variation of Benthic species are stay in the area with constant PP and CHL.
- Pelagic PPR is related to climate index show the climate change will lead the environment factor change, then lead pelagic species variation.

Summary

- In the summer of Taiwan Bank upwelling, which strongest in June and weakest in August.
- The variation of Pelagic PPR has similar pattern with Total PPR, Benthic PPR has opposite pattern with NPP and Chl-a.
- Model of Front PPR has high Deviance explained and the straight of TB upwelling lead the PPR of Front area.

Future work

- Join more factors to enhance the deviance explained and used some fishery data to predict the pattern of models for further analysis.
- To compare each gird data to know the energy conversion efficiency be different in 3 area and the influence of it.



Thanks for listening.