Water temperature forecasts to decrease megadeath of aquacultured scallops in Mutsu Bay, Japan.

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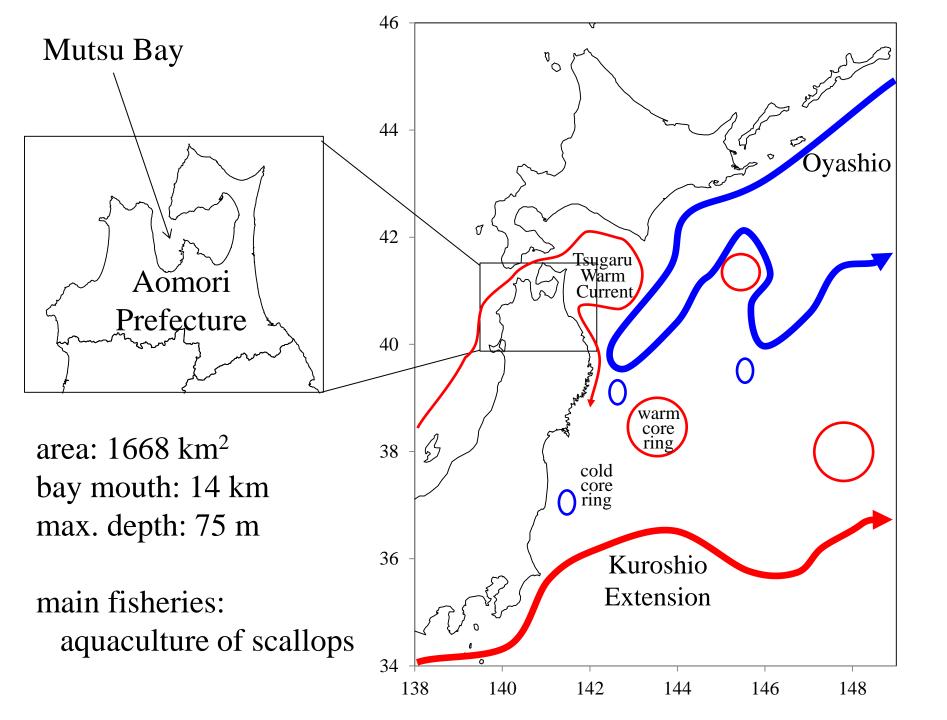
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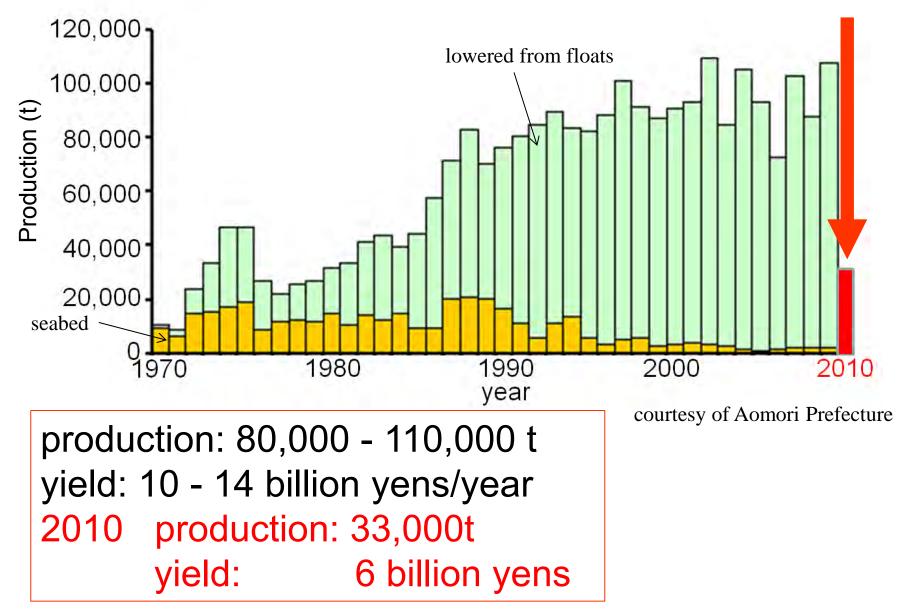




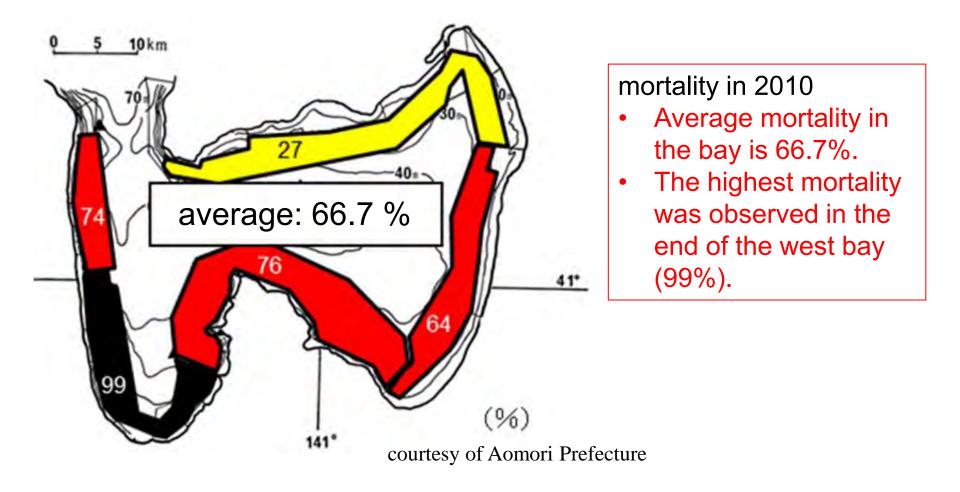
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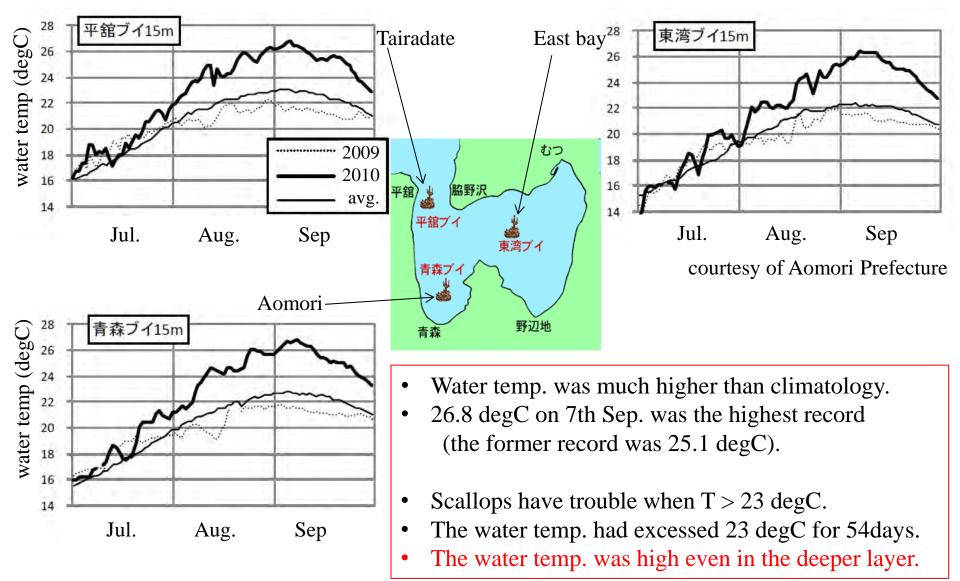
Production of scallops in Mutsu Bay



Megadeath of aquacultured scallops in Mutsu Bay

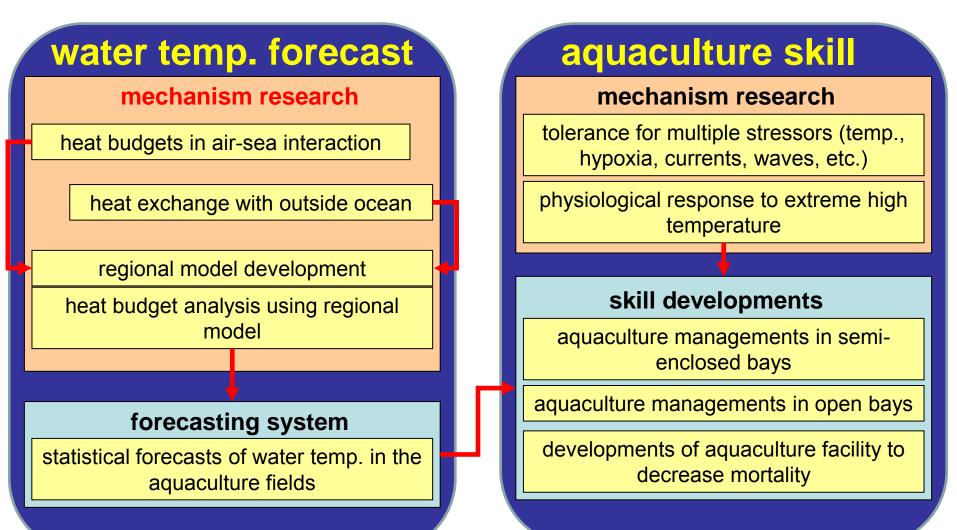


Extreme hot event in 2010 summer



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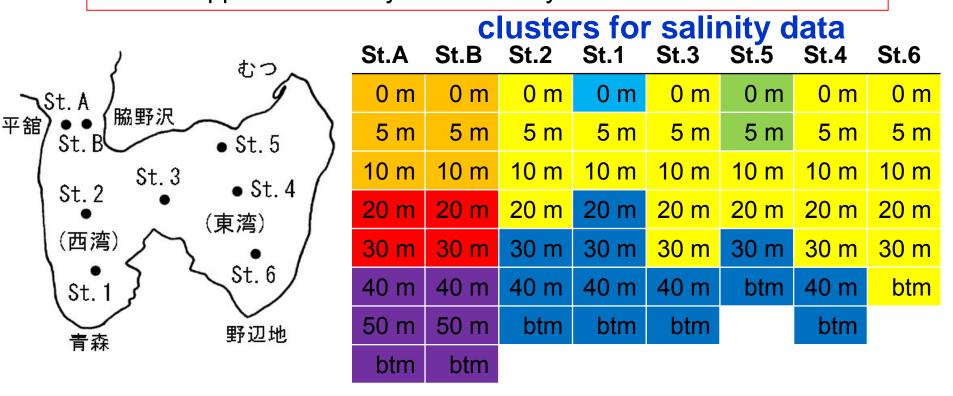
target: decrease the mortality to the half of 2010

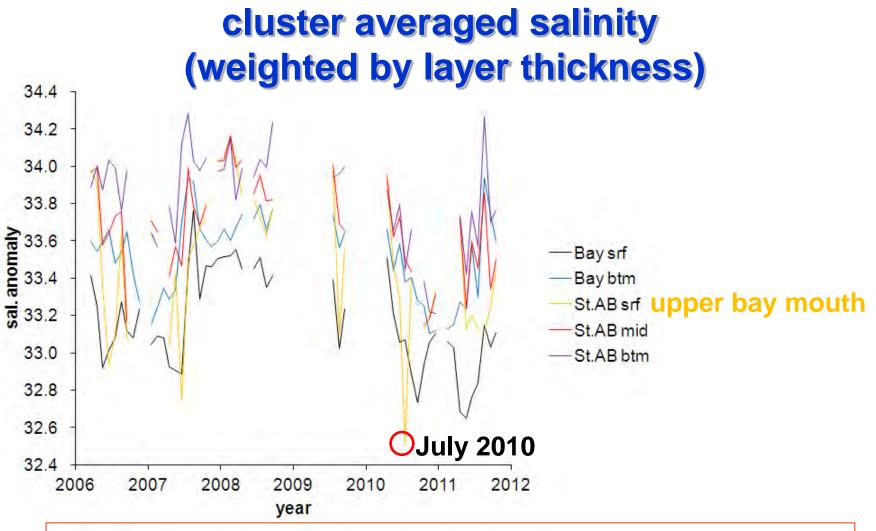


mechanism research

salinity budget analysis (independent data with temp.)

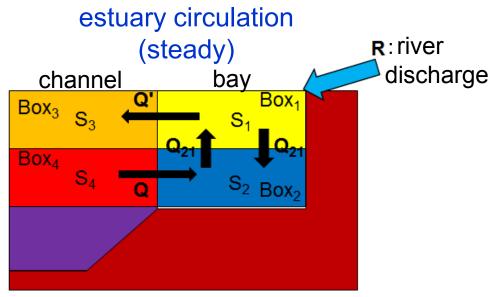
monthly monitoring data in the Mutsu Bay Cluster analysis was applied for salinity data (2006-2011). The data was divided to 5 (7) clusters. upper, middle, lower layers in the bay month upper & lower layers in the bay

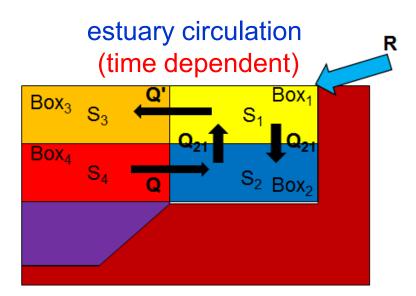


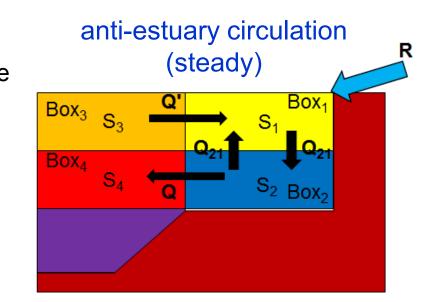


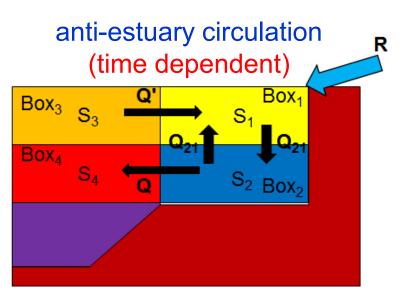
- Salinity in the upper layer of bay mouth anomalously decreased in July 2010.
- Similar salinity decreases were observed in June 2006, June 2007, August 2009. However the decrease in July 2010 was the largest.

box model analysis



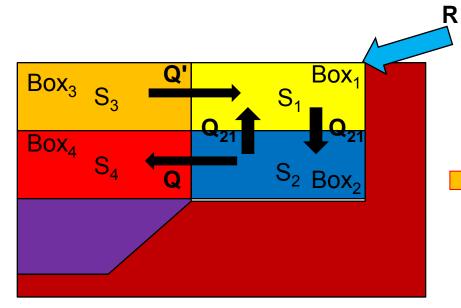






We applied four types of box models to explain salinity budgets in the bay.

anti-estuary circulation (time dependent)



R water conservation Box1&2: R+Q'-Q=0

salinity conservation

Box1&2: (Q'*S₃-Q*S₂) *Δt= Δ S₁*V₁+ Δ S₂*V₂

 $Q = (\Delta S_1 * V_1 + \Delta S_2 * V_2 + R * \Delta t * S_3) / (S_3 - S_2) / \Delta t$

using state from Jun. to Jul. 2010 R=44.0 m³s⁻¹, S₂=33.58, S₃=33.29 V₁=3.32 × 10¹⁰ m³, V₂=2.99 × 10¹⁰ m³ Δ S₁=0.014, Δ S₂=-0.202 Δ t=60*60*24*30 sec Q=2370 m³s⁻¹

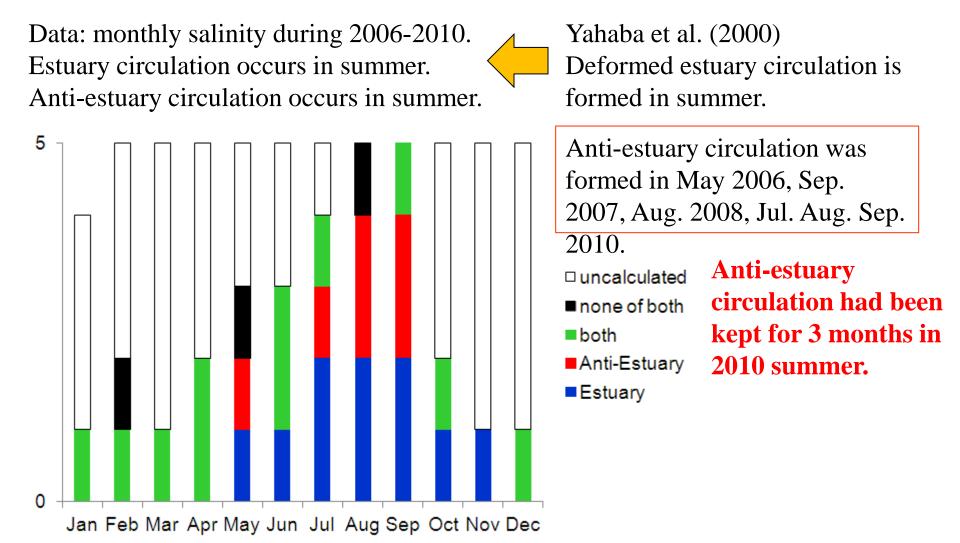
using $T_1=16.5$, $T_2=12.5$, $T_3=19.4$, $T_4=14.6$ in Jun. 2010 heat content increase in Box1&2 by advection

 $Q'^{T}_{3}-Q^{T}_{2}=8.18 \times 10^{3} \text{ degC m}^{3}\text{S}^{-1}$:+0.6 degC/month heat content increase in Box2 by advection

 $Q^{T_1}-Q^{T_2}=3.56 \times 10^3 \text{ degC m}^{-1}$:+0.8 degC/month

Anti-estuary circulation warmed up both upper and lower layers in Jul. 2010.

box model analysis (time dependent) for salinity budgets Seasonal variability

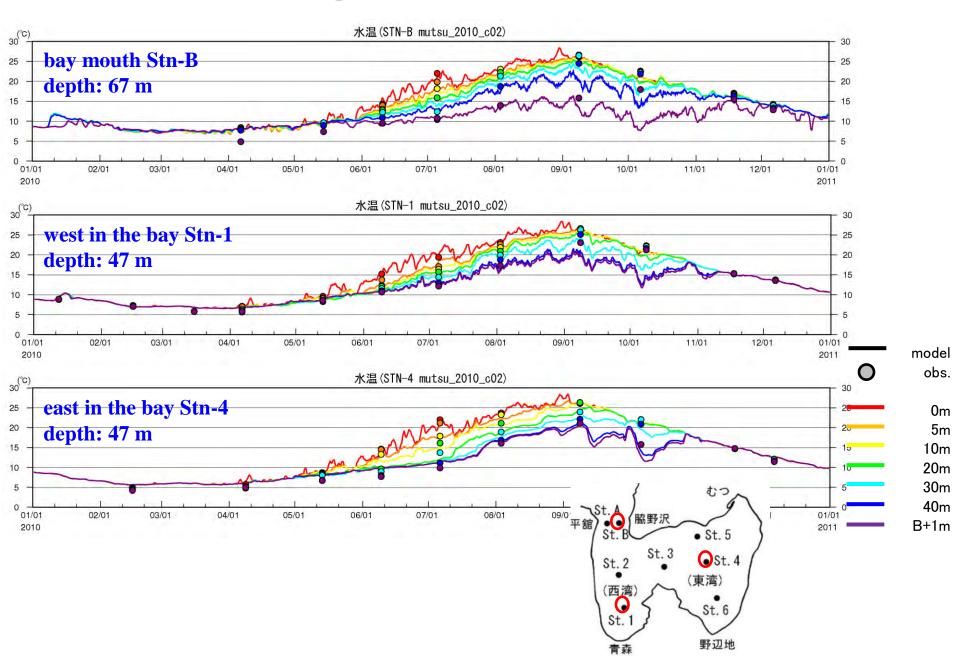


ROMS in the Mutsu Bay

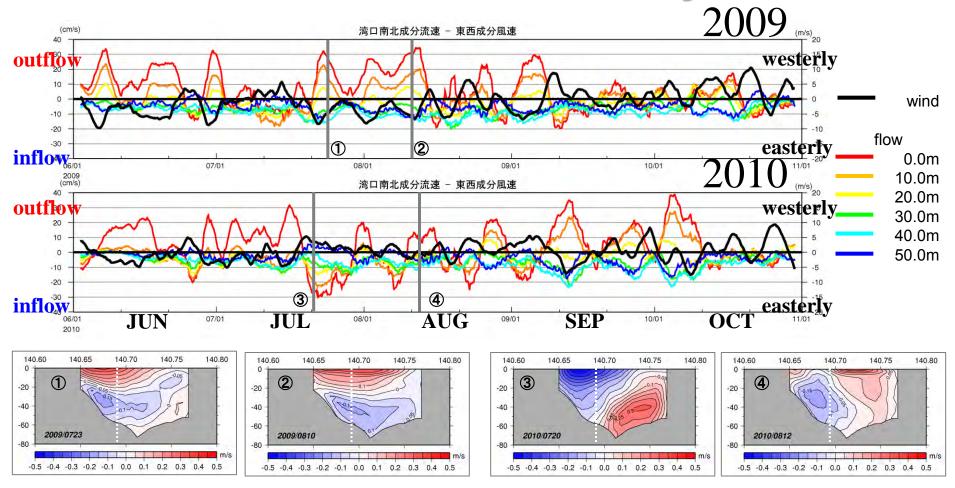
2010/07/15 FRA-ROMS Temperature[°C] (100m) 42°00 46N · 32 D 2000 1600 41°45' 44N 1400 28 1200 42N 1000 900 41°30' 800 24 40N 700 600 500 38N 450 20 41°15' 400 350 300 250 36N 16 200 41°00' 180 34N 160 140 12 120 32N 100 40°45' 80 60 20 6 30N 40 20 28N 139°45' 140°00' 140°15' 140°30' 140°45' 141°00' 141°15' 141°30' 26N 0 Horizontal boundary condition 24N FRA-ROMS (1/10 deg.) : data assimilation 140E 145E 125E 130E 135E 150E River discharge http://fm.dc.affrc.go.jp/fra-roms/index.html hydrological model (SWAT) model resolution

1/160 deg. x 1/240 deg. x 25 level

temperature in 2010

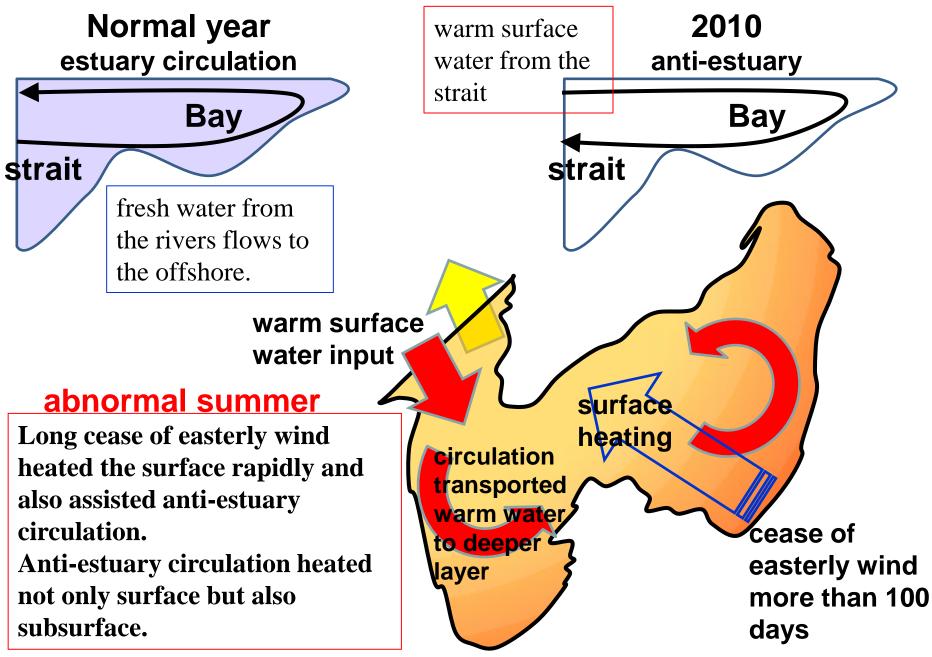


wind and outflow at the bay mouth

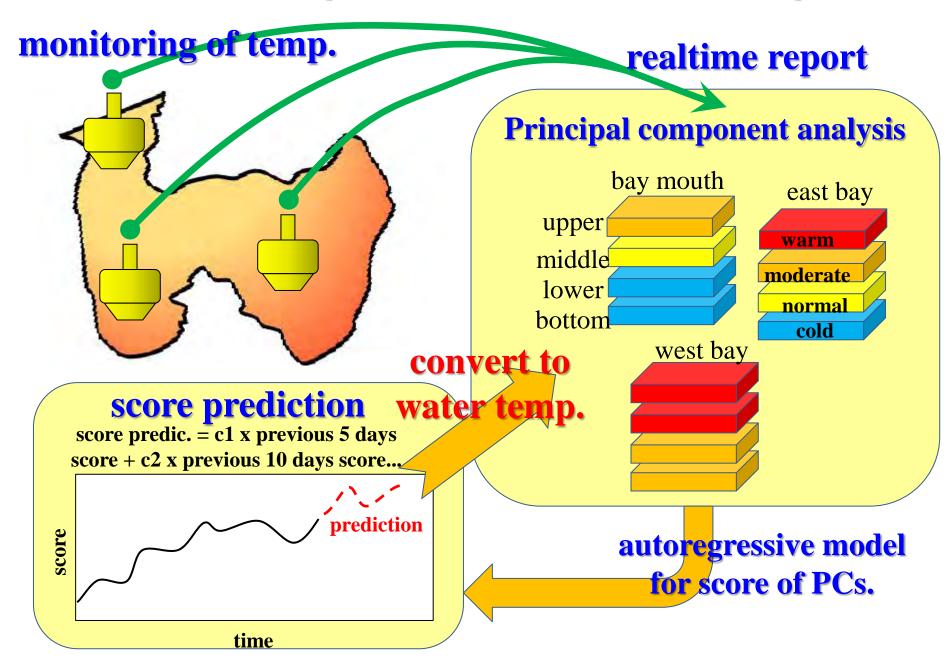


easterly positively correlated with surface outflow negatively correlated with bottom outflow higher surface inflow in 2010. However, the duration is about half month.

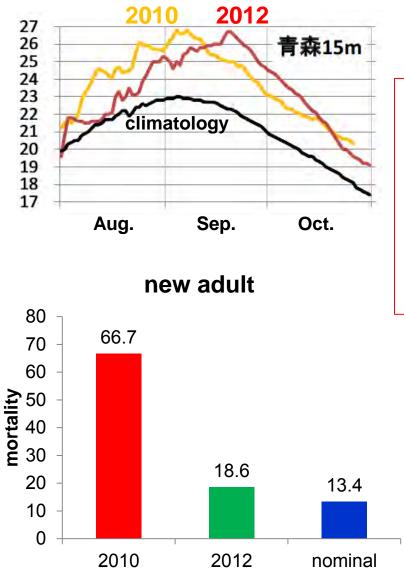
2010 summer in the Mutsu Bay



statistical prediction of water temp.



Extreme hot summer in 2012



- Another extreme hot event occurred in 2012.
- Statistical forecasts was used to advice fishermen not to disturb scallops during the hot event.
- As a result, the mortality was reduced less than half of the 2010 value.

This is a good example of scientific information delivery for management.

Our big challenge is to improve the accuracy of the prediction without higher computational cost.

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