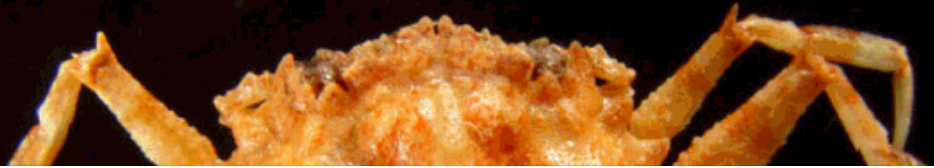




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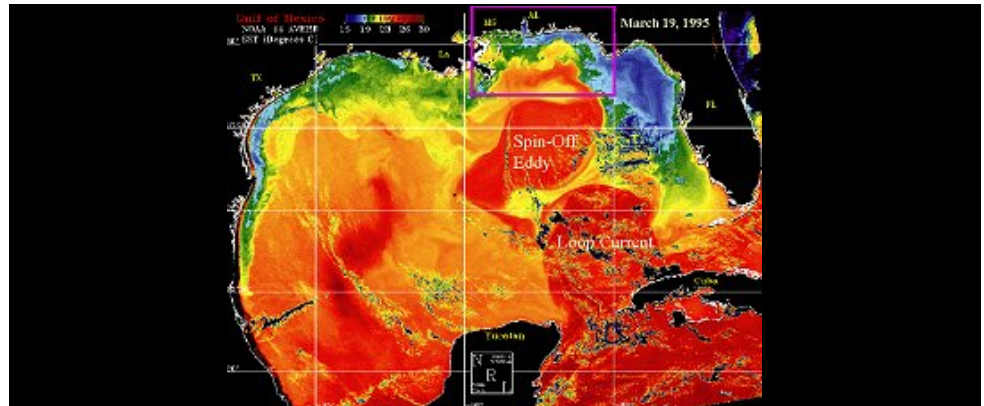
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Blue Crab Recruitment

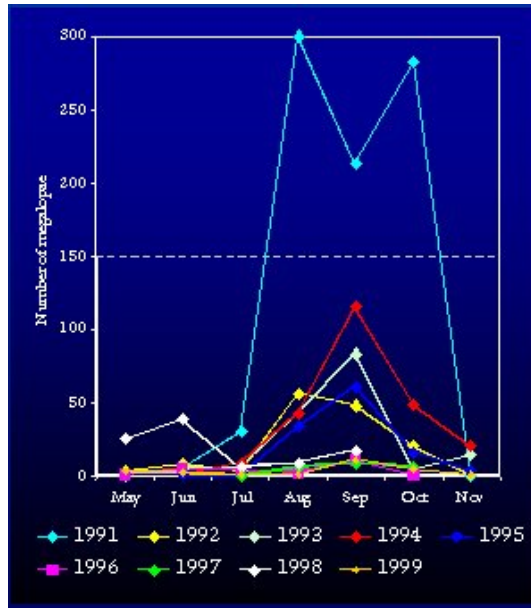
Blue crab recruitment is physically mediated.

- There is a meteorologically forced window of opportunity from April to October
- Periodic impingements of the loop current and spin-off eddies affect recruitment success



Blue Crab Settlement

- Settlement was monitored daily from May-October and used as an index of recruitment.
- Seasonal periodicity is the same from year to year; but the magnitude of settlement is highly variable.
- Settlement is episodic.



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