

# Kobe I (Kobe plot) +Kobe II (risk assessment) software (New version 3, 2014)

## User's manual

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### Abstract and Notice (release of the software)

This is the users' manual describing how to use the 3<sup>rd</sup> version of Kobe I (stock status trajectory plots) +Kobe II (risk assessment diagram) software. Kobe I and II were recommended by the 5 tuna-RFMO meeting in 2007 (Kobe, Japan) and 2009 (Barcelona, Spain) respectively.

This software is free of charge available at <http://ocean-info.ddo.jp/kobeaspm/kobeplot/KobePlot.zip> (from Nov. 19, 2014). After users use this software and if users need improvements, please let us know. We will revise and will release more user's friendly software.

As for Kobe II, the risk assessment matrix format was recommended, but the table formats have been difficult to understand its meanings often, especially for managers and industries as it uses mathematical and technical notations. To improve this situation, we developed the visualized presentation (diagram) of the matrix for anyone to be able to understand its meanings easily.

Please note that this software is suitable for those who have difficulties to make Kobe I plot and II quickly and effectively in a very short time, especially during the working meetings. Thus it may not be suitable for those who can make these plots and diagrams and/or create better ones by own using specific codes such as R. This is because this software can make fixed designed plots and diagrams. However, it has a lot of flexibilities to change colors, fonts, lines, symbols, legends and labels by graph setting functions (see the text for details).

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**ACRONYMS**

B	Total biomass
BBDM	Bayesian Biomass Dynamics Model
Bmsy	Biomass which produces MSY
CI	Confidence interval
F	Fishing mortality; F2010 is the fishing mortality estimated in the year 2010
Fmsy	Fishing mortality at MSY
IOTC	Indian Ocean Tuna Commission
LRP	Limit Reference Point
MFCL	Multifan-CL
MSY	Maximum Sustainable Yield
SB	Spawning biomass (sometimes expressed as SSB)
SBmsy	Spawning stock biomass which produces MSY
TRP	Target Reference Point

# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Overview

This Kobe I+II software consists of Kobe I (stock status trajectory plot) and Kobe II (risk assessment diagram). Kobe Plot I can make historical stock status trajectory plots for SB/SBmsy (or B/Bmsy) and F/Fmsy using results of stock assessments. Kobe II depicts color diagrams for results of risk assessments for SB/SBmsy and F/Fmsy, i.e., probabilities violating their MSY levels in the future by different catch level scenarios.

## 1.2 Operation Systems (OS)

This software can be used under MS windows OS operated by both 32 and 64-bit PCs.

## 1.3 History of the development

### 1<sup>st</sup> version (2011) (IOTC-2011-WPTT13-45)

- Release of the initial Kobe plot software containing basic functions for Kobe I plot and Kobe II diagram.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> version (2012) (IOTC-2012-WPM04-05)

- Graphic components were improved using TeeChart Pro.NET v2010 (Steema Software) according to requests by worldwide users.
- Release of two separate software for 32- and 64-bit OS PCs.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> version (2014) (IOTC-2014-WPTT16-53)

- Release of one united software for both 32- and 64-bit OS PCs.
- Designs and functions of Kobe plot I are further improved according to requests by worldwide users.
- Limit and target reference points can be depicted.
- One menu in Kobe I plot is added to show multiple comparisons among different stock assessment results.
- Pie chart option is added in Kobe Plot to show compositions of uncertainties in 4 phases.

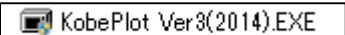
## 2 Installation

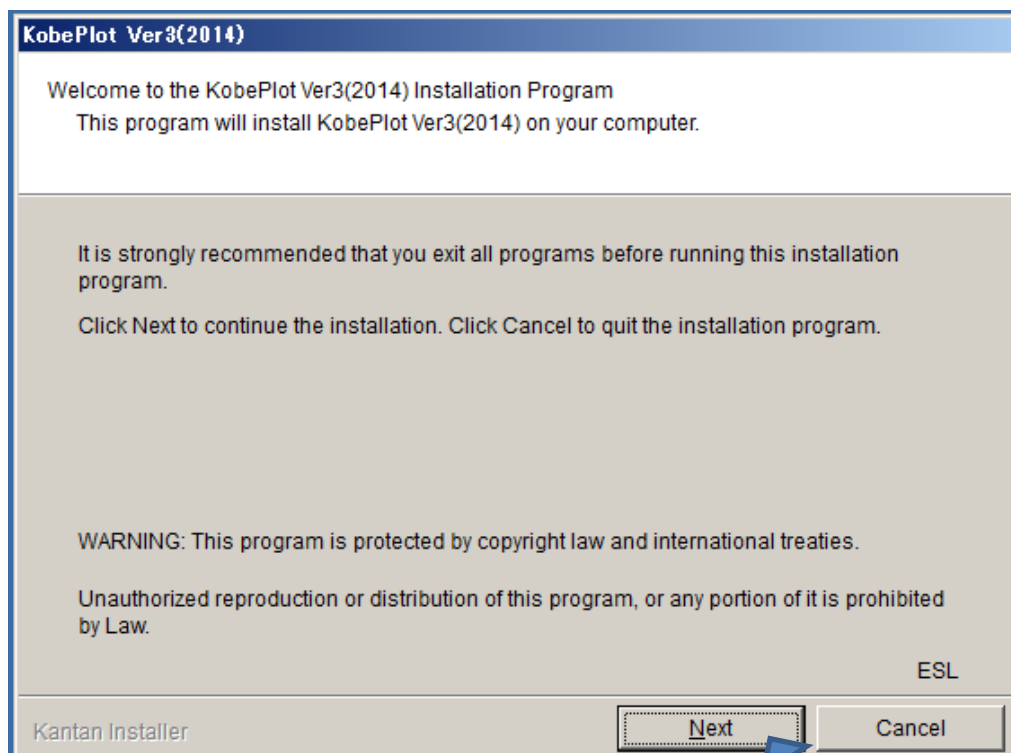
### 1) Uninstall the old versions of Kobe I+II software if users have.

If users installed the previous versions, uninstall it first.

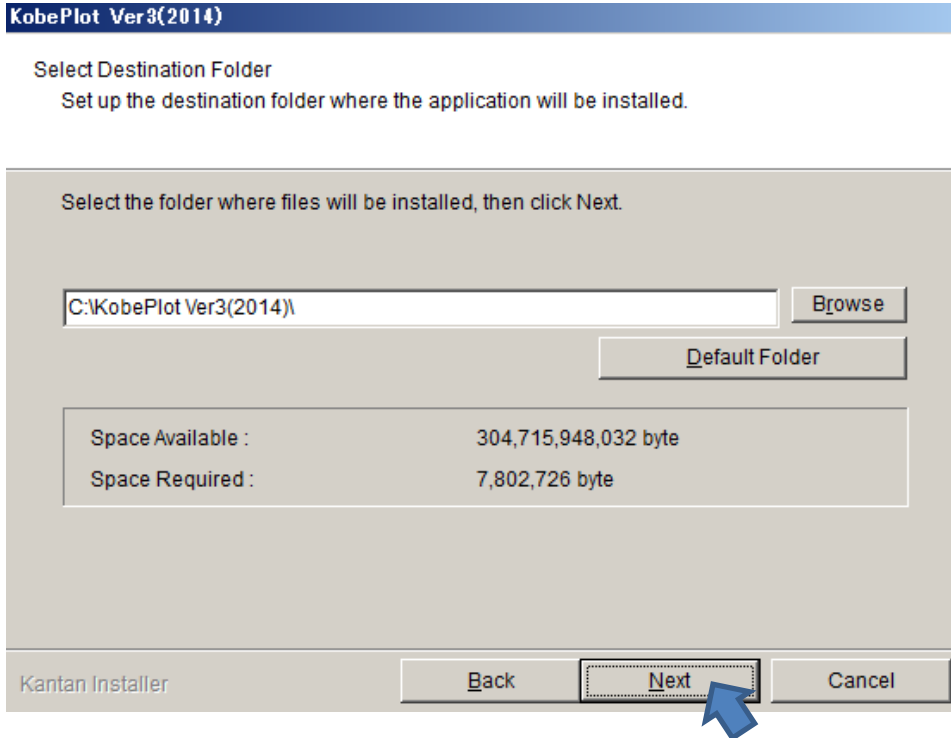
### 2) Download the package (Version 3, 2014) including software, manual and other references from <http://ocean-info.ddo.jp/kobeaspm/kobeplot/KobePlot.zip> (available from Nov. 19, 2014) then unzipped.

### 3) Setup and installation

Double click the software →  and follow the steps as below:

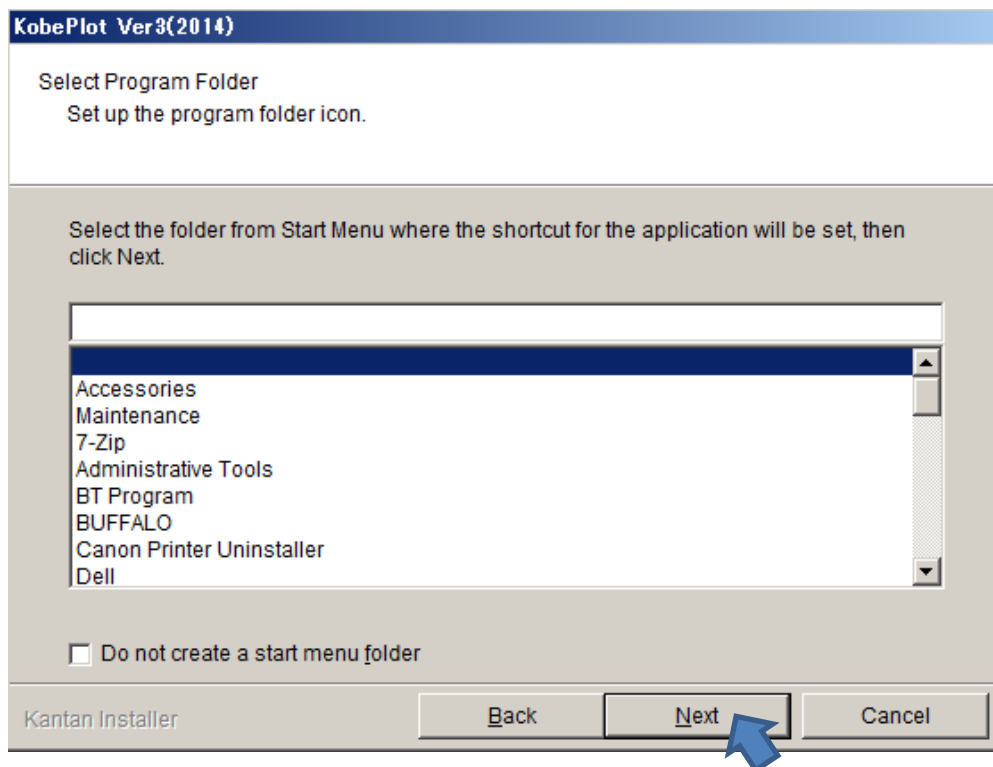


Initial window of the installation



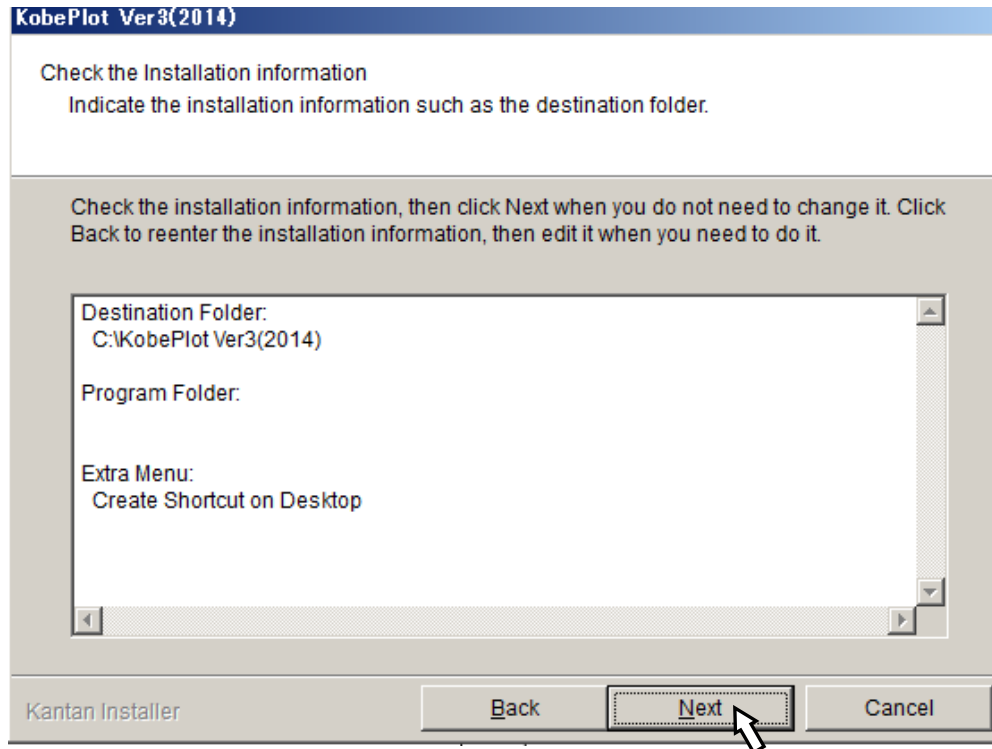
Install to the software to the particular folder (C: for this case). If users want to install their favorite folder, select using Browse.

*CAUTION: Users may not able to install Kobe plot software into their favorite folder due to users account control restriction under the OS.*

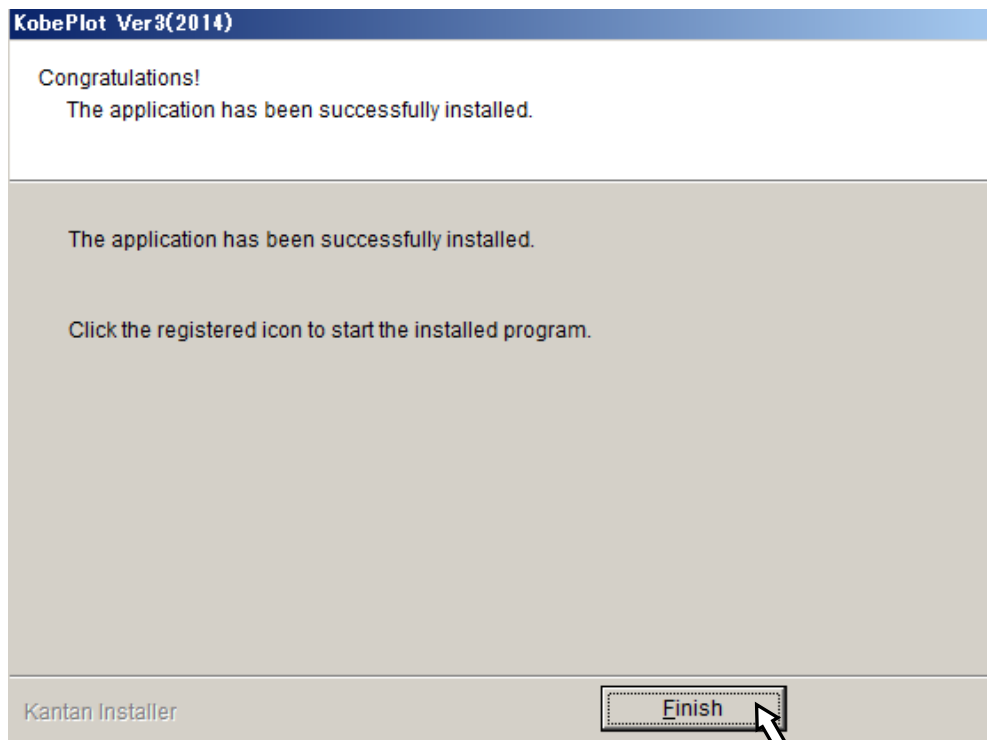


Kobe plot icon will be set in the desktop in this case.

*If the icon does not appear in the desktop, make it using the sort cut option menu available in the window OS after the installation is completed..*



Summary of the installation



Notice of the successful installation

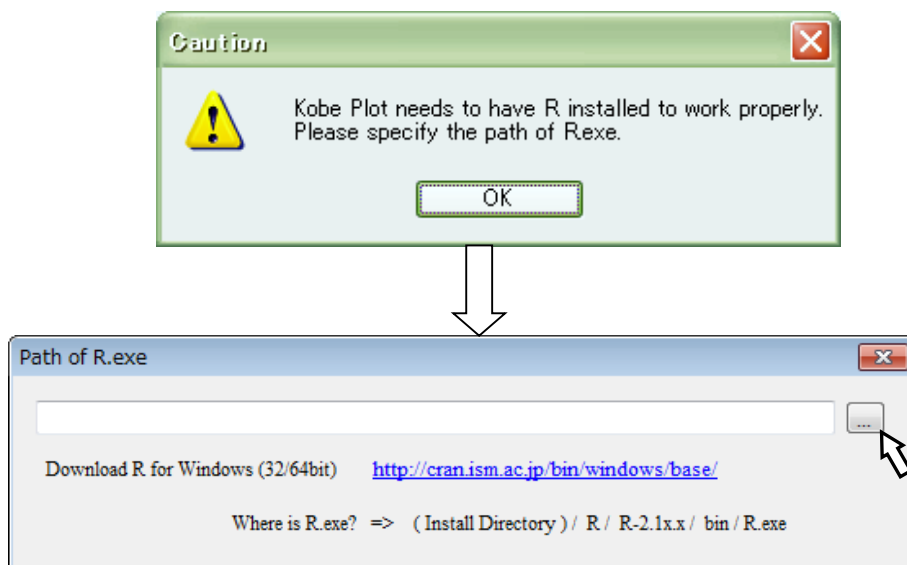
*Note: The Kobe plot software needs .NET Framework 4, which is normally available in Windows OS. But if users don't have it, install it by downloading from the web page.*

### 3. Starting the software

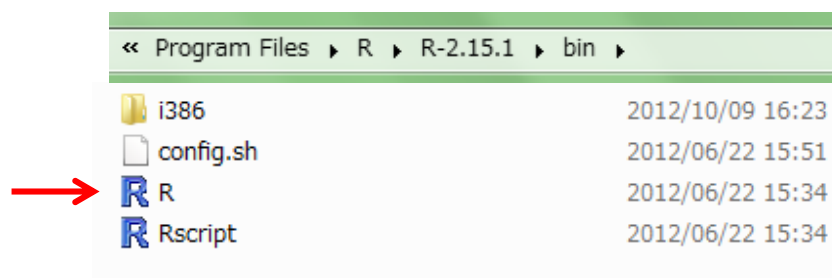
1) Click the **Kobe Plot (Ver.3, 2014)** icon located on user's desktop window.



2) Users will be asked to specify the path of the **R.exe** when launching **Kobe I-II software** for the first time. If users don't have R software, download and install to users PC. Then specify the path of the **R.exe**.



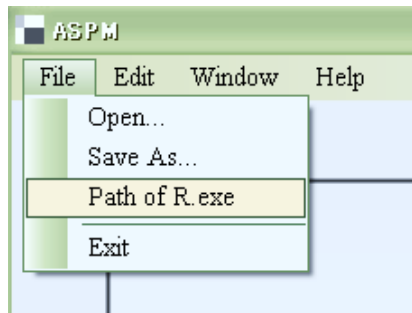
Generally R.exe exists in the following path after installing **R**.



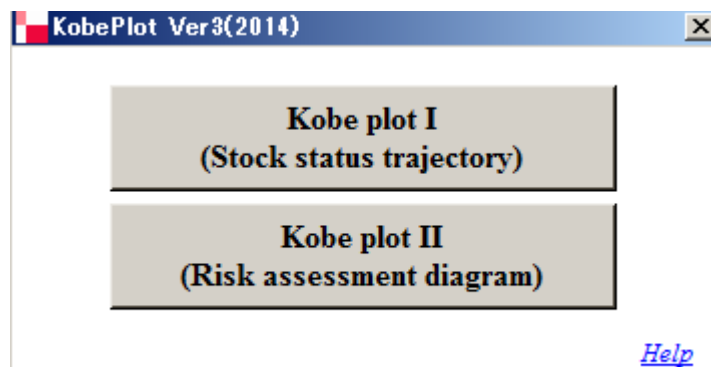
(Install Directory) / R / R-2.1x.x / bin / **R.exe**

*Note: Recent version of R is R-3.12*

3) Users can change the path of R.exe later from **File > Path of R.exe**.



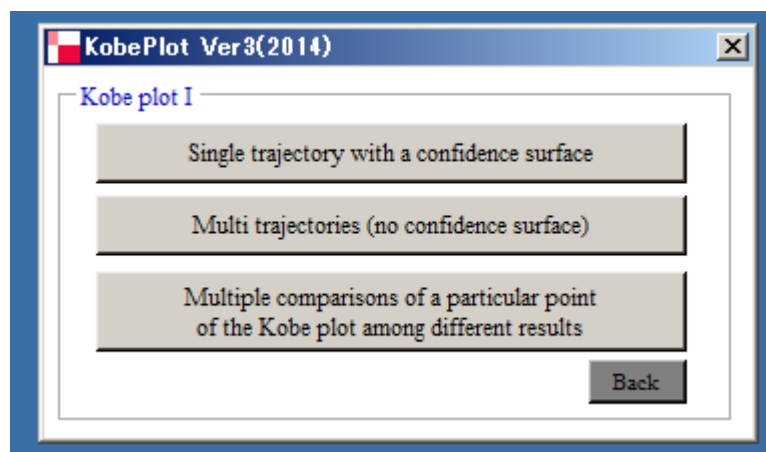
4) After the path of R is assigned, the first window will appear as below.



If users want to make stock status trajectory plots, click **Kobe Plot I**. If users want to make the risk assessment diagrams, click **Kobe Plot II**.

#### 4. Kobe Plot I (stock status trajectory)

There are three sub-menus on Kobe plot I, i.e., 1<sup>st</sup> menu for one single plot with a confidence surface, 2<sup>nd</sup> for multi-plots without confidence surface and 3<sup>rd</sup> (the new option in the 3<sup>rd</sup> version) for multiple comparisons of a particular point of the Kobe plot (normally final year) among different stock assessment results (for example).





#### 4.1 A single plot with a confidence surface

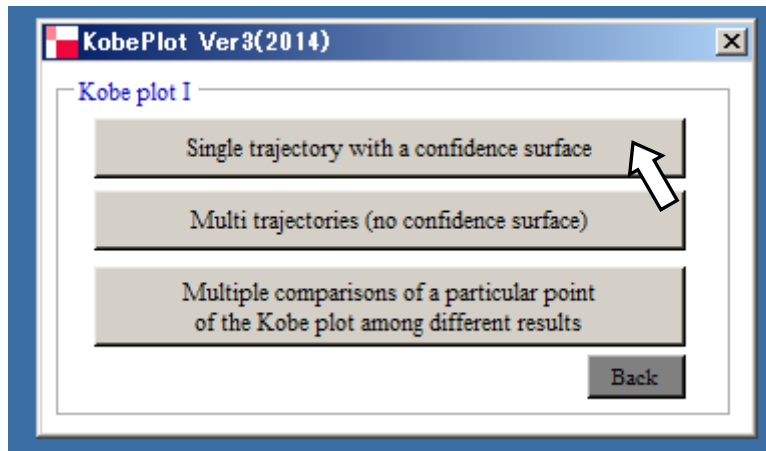
##### 1) How to create the input data?

To create the input data, make a CSV file (see below), i.e., year (column 1), Spawning Stock Biomass (SB) or Total Biomass (B) ratio (SB/SBmsy or B/Bmsy) (column 2) and F ratio (F/Fmsy) (column 3). If users want to create the confidence surface, add 2 columns and put results from MCMC or bootstrap, i.e., SB ratio (SB/SBmsy) or B ratio (B/TBmsy) (column 4) and F ratio (F/Fmsy) (column 5).

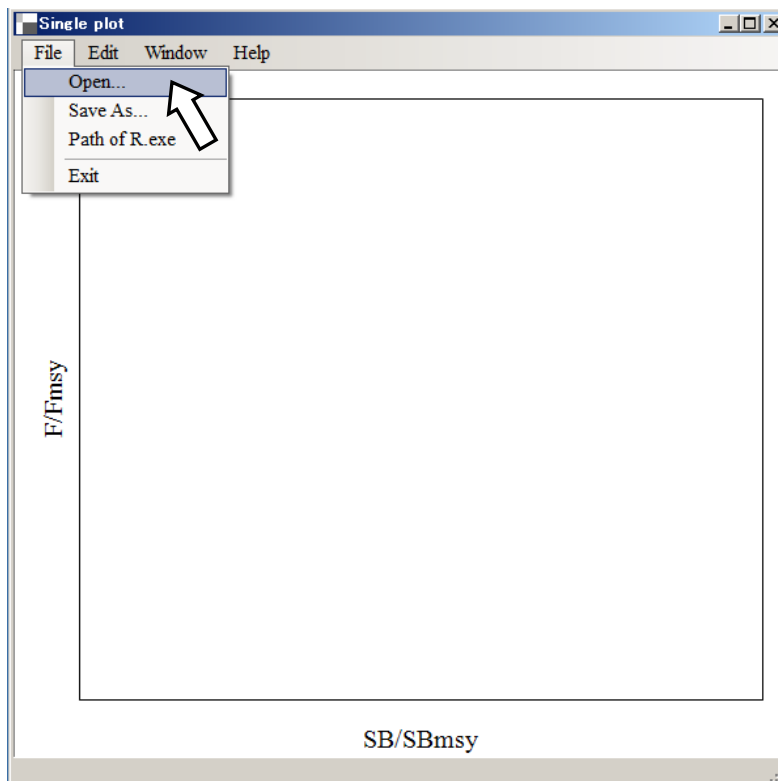
<b>Columns 1-3</b>			<b>Columns 4-5</b>	
<b>Input data a single plot (trajectory)</b>			<b>Input data confidence surface (MCMC, bootstrap etc.)</b>	
<b>Col_1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
year	B ratio	F ratio	B(ratio)	F(ratio)
1995	1.911	0.467	0.850	0.978
1996	1.740	0.576	0.632	1.289
1997	1.605	0.613	0.778	1.065
1998	1.485	0.720	0.749	1.101
1999	1.398	0.716	0.399	1.959
2000	1.352	0.737	0.814	1.021
2001	1.342	0.692	0.684	1.198
2002	1.345	0.709	0.918	0.912
2003	1.285	0.850	0.771	1.072
2004	1.193	0.918	0.606	1.338
2005	1.177	0.792	0.467	1.692
2006	1.235	0.711	0.834	0.997
2007	1.292	0.696	0.649	1.258
			0.809	1.024
			0.940	0.889
			0.989	0.848
			0.768	1.079

## 2) How to read the input data and initial plot?

Click the Single trajectory with the confidence surface sub-menu.

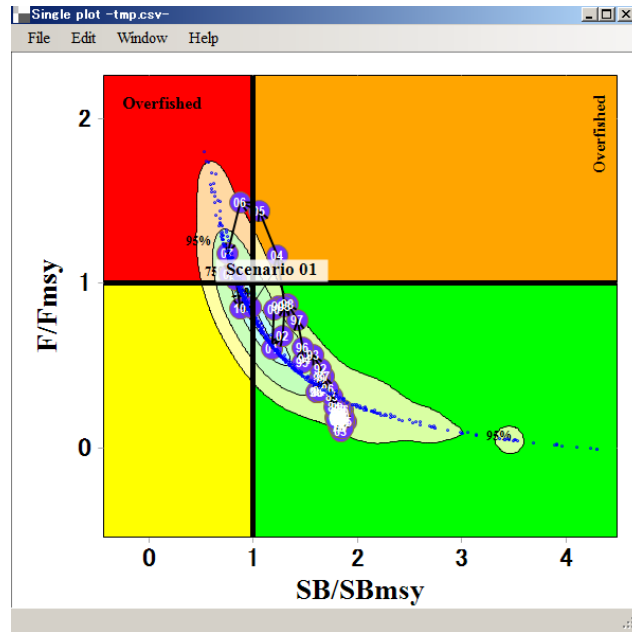


Then users will see the empty window (see below). Then click file, open, then go to the folder where the user's CVS file is located and import it to the software.

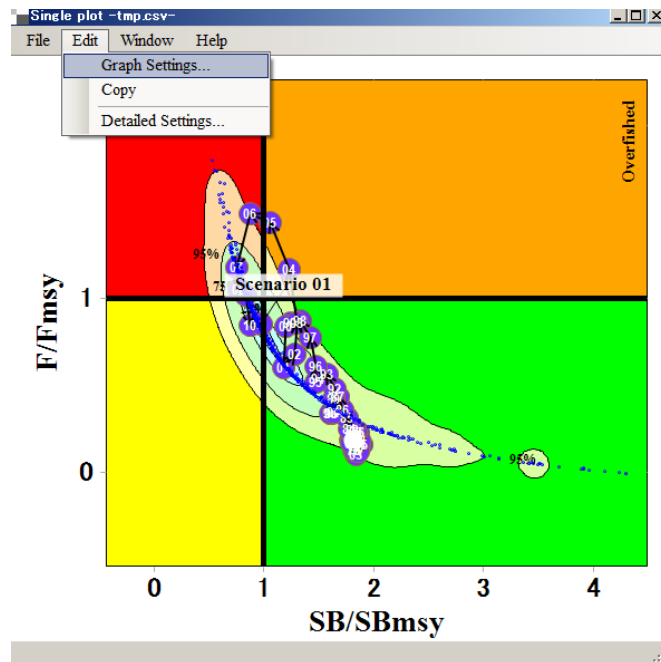


### 3) Initial default plot and graph settings

After users click Open, users will see the default plot as below. If users don't have confidence surface data, users will get only the trajectory.



If users want to edit the initial graph, go to the graph setting menu as below:



#### 4) Editing the initial plot (points and lines)

Then users will see the graph setting menu (two types). Users can adjust various parameters to create user's desirable plot. Below is the 1<sup>st</sup> type for points and lines.

The screenshot shows the 'Graph Settings' dialog box with the 'Points and lines' tab selected. The 'Trajectory, confidence surface and phase' sub-tab is also active. The '1st Year' is set to 1955 and the number of years to display is 57. The 'Select Years to Display' section has checkboxes for all years from 1955 to 1974. The 'Axis' section shows X-axis as SB/SBmsy and Y-axis as F/Fmsy. The 'Title' field contains 'Kobe plot'. The 'Limit Reference Point' section has X(%) at 0.6 and Y(%) at 1.3. The 'Target Reference Point' section has X(%) at 1.0 and Y(%) at 1.0. Font size is set to 18 for the title and 10 for the axis labels. Mark size is set to 10. There are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons at the bottom.

#### Editing Points and Lines


##### Years

Set the number of years to display. \_

##### Select Years to Display

Choose each year individually to display/un-display. \_

##### X Axis (SB/SBmsy)

Choose SB/SBmsy, SSB/SSBmsy, Bmsy or TB/TBmsy using the pull down menu. 

Set values of the minimum, the maximum and the increment of X axis. \_

##### Y Axis (F/Fmsy)

Set values of the minimum, the maximum and the increment of Y axis.

##### Font Size

Select the font size. Click **B** to make the font bold.

##### Title

Name the current Kobe plot (e.g. Indian Ocean Albacore)

##### Mark Size

Select the circle size of year marks (last 2 digits).

##### Mark Font Size

Select the font size of year (last 2 digits). Click **B** to make the font bold.

##### Limit and Target Reference Point

See next page

The screenshot shows a dropdown menu for the X-axis title. The menu is titled 'Title' and contains the following options: SB/SBmsy, SSB/SSBmsy, SB/SBmsy (which is highlighted with a blue background), TB/TBmsy, and Bmsy. An arrow points from the text in the previous block to this menu.

### Creating Limit Reference Point

Click Limit Reference Point box, then, select % of SBmsy and Fmsy and click Limit Reference Legend as below. % levels are different by species. Table 1 is used in IOTC as an example.

Limit Reference Point

Limit Reference Legend

X(%): 0.4

Y(%): 1.4

Color:   Width: 1 Style: Solid

Font Size: 10 **B**  

X:  $SB(\text{limit}) = 0.4 \times SB_{msy}$   
 Y:  $F(\text{limit}) = 1.4 \times F_{msy}$

Table 1 Interim Limit Reference Point for Bmsy and Fmsy by species (IOTC)

Stock	Target Reference Point	Limit Reference Point
Albacore	SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; F <sub>MSY</sub>	0.4*SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; 1.4*F <sub>MSY</sub>
Bigeye tuna	SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; F <sub>MSY</sub>	0.5*SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; 1.3*F <sub>MSY</sub>
Skipjack tuna	SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; F <sub>MSY</sub>	0.4*SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; 1.5*F <sub>MSY</sub>
Yellowfin tuna	SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; F <sub>MSY</sub>	0.4*SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; 1.4*F <sub>MSY</sub>
Swordfish	SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; F <sub>MSY</sub>	0.4*SB <sub>MSY</sub> ; 1.4*F <sub>MSY</sub>

### Creating Target Reference Point

Target Reference Point is also created in the same way as in Limit Reference Point. For example, IOTC, it is now SB/SB<sub>msy</sub>=1 and F/F<sub>msy</sub>=1 for all species then set up is as below.

Target Reference Point

Target Reference Legend

X(%): 1.0

Y(%): 1.0

Color:   Width: 1 Style: Solid

Font Size: 10 **B**  

X:  $SB(\text{target}) = 1.0 \times SB_{msy}$   
 Y:  $F(\text{target}) = 1.0 \times F_{msy}$

## 5) Editing the initial plot (trajectory, confidence surface, pie chart and phase)


In the 2<sup>nd</sup> sheet (below), users can edit trajectory, confidence surface, pie chart and phase using various editorial options and users can create desirable plots.


**PieChart option:** By checking the PieChart button (below), users can add the pie chart showing composition of 4 phases' areas in the confidence surface.


After users finish the initial graph setting, push OK button, then users will see the edited Kobe plot (next page).

**Graph Settings**


Points and lines | Trajectory, confidence surface and phase

Trajectory Line  Style: Arrow



Phase color 



Show Plot Points  Style: Circle


Show Confidence Surface


Line width of XY axis  
Color:  Width: 5 Style: Solid

Show Contour Labels

5%   75% 

25%   95% 

50% 

Font Size: 9 **B** 


Phase name Label

Overfished Horizontal

Overfishing Vertical

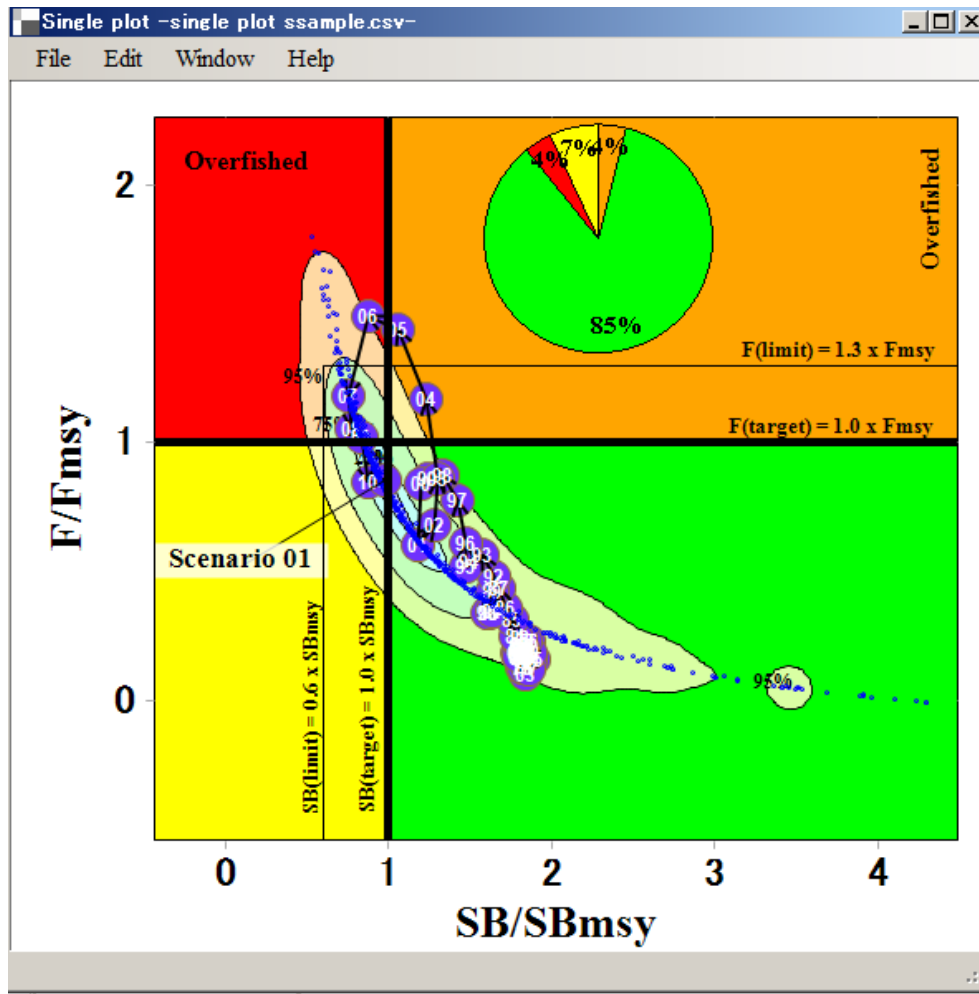
Recovering Horizontal

Safe zone Horizontal

Font Size: 12 **B** 

Show PieChart(% Composition of 4 phases)

OK Cancel



Edited Kobe plot after graph settings

#### 4.2 Multiple plots without confidence surface

This option will produce 2 or more Kobe plot 1 (stock status trajectories).

##### 1) How to create the input data?

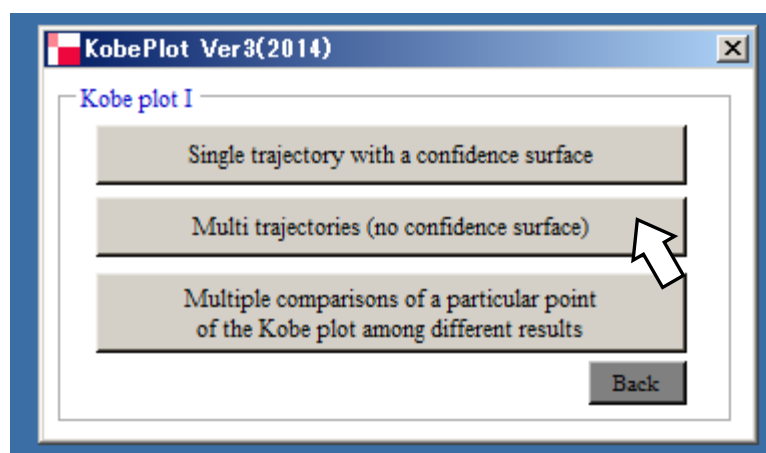
To create the input data, make one CSV file as shown next page, i.e., year (column 1), then the data for the first plot: Biomass: SB (B) ratio (column 2) and F ratio (column 3), then for the second plot: Biomass: SB (B) ratio (column 4) and F ratio (column 5) and so on.

Year	X	Y	X	Y	X	Y
year	TB(ratio)(1)	Fratio(1)	TB(ratio)(2)	Fratio(2)	TB(ratio)(3)	Fratio(3)
1970	3.74	0.00278	3.13	0.000521	5.31	0.00000690
1971	4.72	0.00169	3.12	0.000612	5.31	0.00002140
1972	6.12	0.00120	2.92	0.000715	5.37	0.00012900
1973	7.51	0.00122	2.83	0.000667	5.44	0.00017600
1974	7.81	0.00235	2.13	0.00109	5.41	0.00041800
1975	6.71	0.00352	1.86	0.00220	5.46	0.00030600
1976	5.29	0.00366	1.77	0.00300	5.41	0.00046100
1977	4.39	0.00333	1.99	0.00167	5.45	0.00054500
1978	4.09	0.00367	2.17	0.00122	5.39	0.00057100
1979	3.95	0.00511	2.19	0.00123	5.38	0.00069000
1980	3.85	0.00493	1.82	0.00191	5.36	0.00084300
1981	3.72	0.00498	1.96	0.00177	5.42	0.00083100

Data input (example) for Multiple Kobe plots

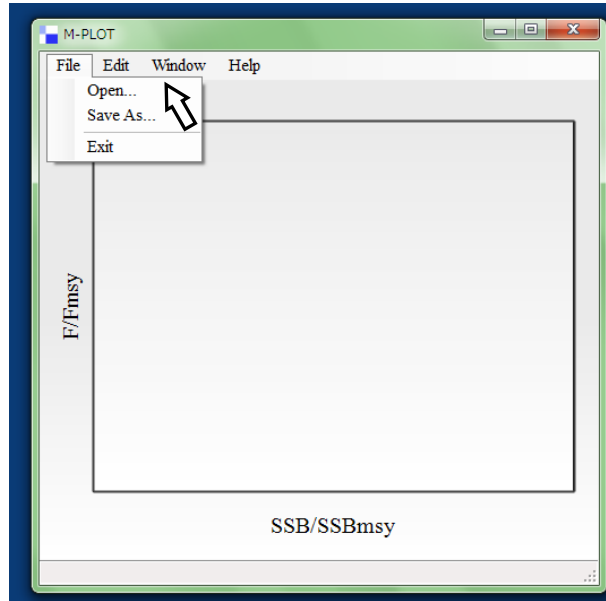
## 2) Getting started and importing the data

Click the Multi trajectory plot window.

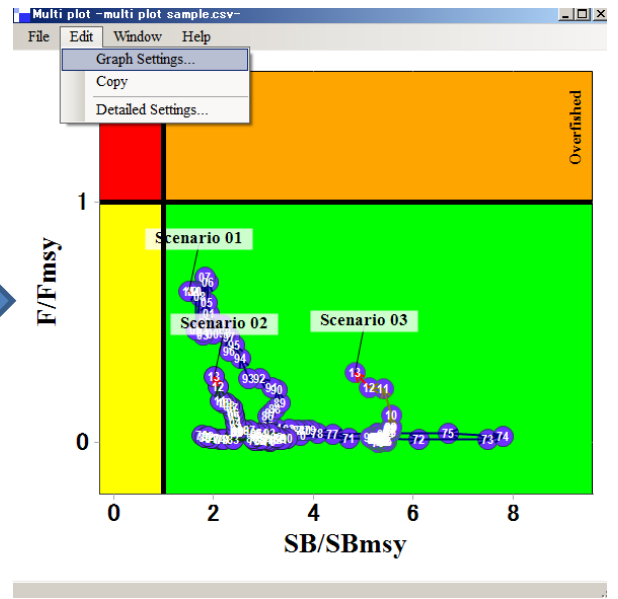
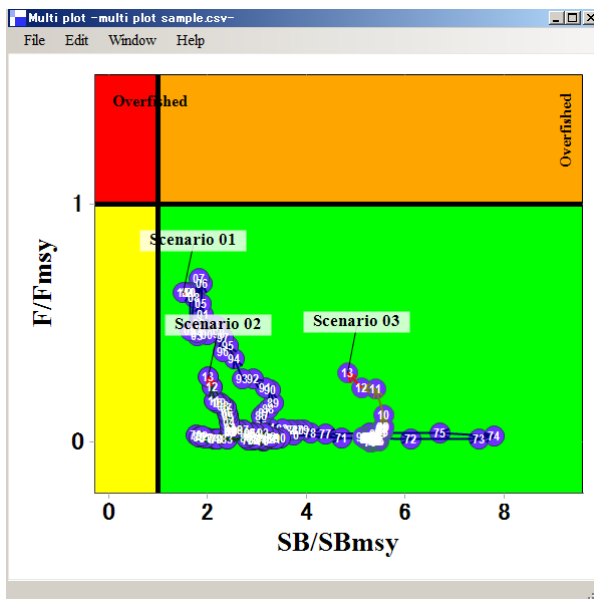


Then users will see the empty window (next page). Then click open file, open, then go to the folder where user's CVS file is located and import to the software.





After users click Open, users will see the default plot as below (left). If users want to edit the initial graph, go to the graph setting menu as below (right).



### 3) Editing the initial plot (points and lines)

Then users will see the graph setting menu (two types). Users can adjust various parameters to create user's desirable plot. Below is the 1<sup>st</sup> type for points and lines. For details on this menu, refer to single plot (page 11-12) as the contents are same

**Graph Settings**

**Points and lines** | Trajectory and Phases

Number of Years: 44 | Line Style: Arrow

Red Line After: None

Select Years to Display  All Years

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1970	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1974	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1978	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1982	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1986
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1971	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1975	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1979	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1983	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1987
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1972	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1976	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1980	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1984	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1988
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1973	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1977	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1981	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1985	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1989

**Axis**

	Title	Min.	Max.	Increment
X:	SB/SBmsy	-0.06	9.39	1
Y:	F/Fmsy	-0.17	1.5	1

Font Size: 20 | **B** | Reset

Change titles of XY axis to other names

X:  |  Y:

Mark Size: 10 | Mark Font Size: 10 | **B**

**Trajectory and Phases**

Title

Multiple Kobe plots

Font Size: 18 | **B**

Limit Reference Point

Limit Reference Legend

X(%): 0.6  X: SB(limit) = 0.6 x SBmsy

Y(%): 1.3  Y: F(limit) = 1.3 x Fmsy

Color:  | Width: 1 | Style: Solid

Font Size: 10 | **B**

Target Reference Point

Target Reference Legend

X(%): 1.0  X: SB(target) = 1.0 x SBmsy

Y(%): 1.0  Y: F(target) = 1.0 x Fmsy

Color:  | Width: 1 | Style: Solid

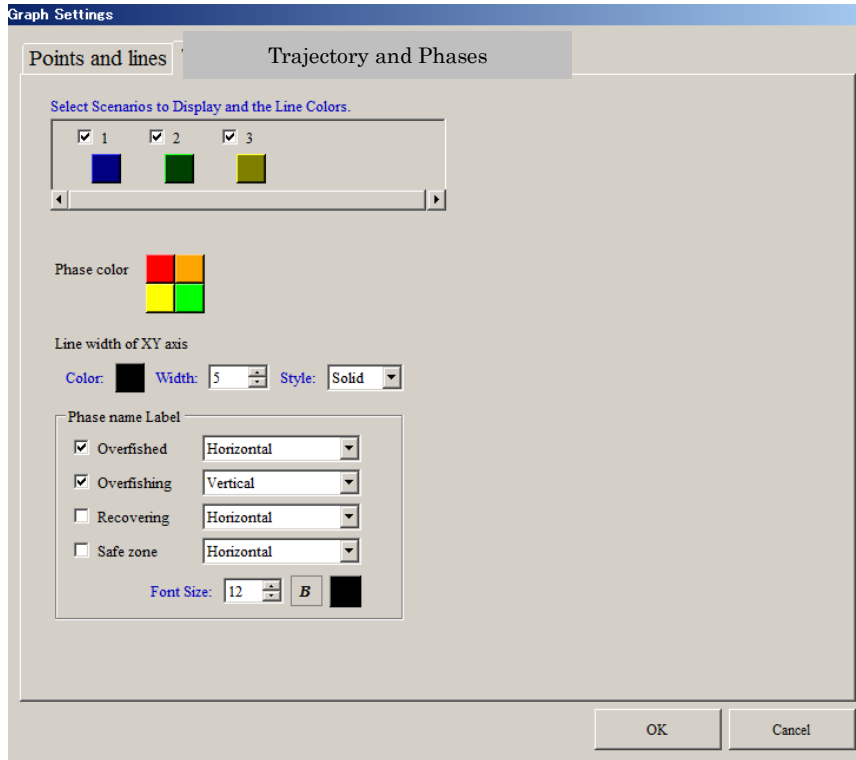
Font Size: 10 | **B**

OK | Cancel

Graph setting menu for points and line

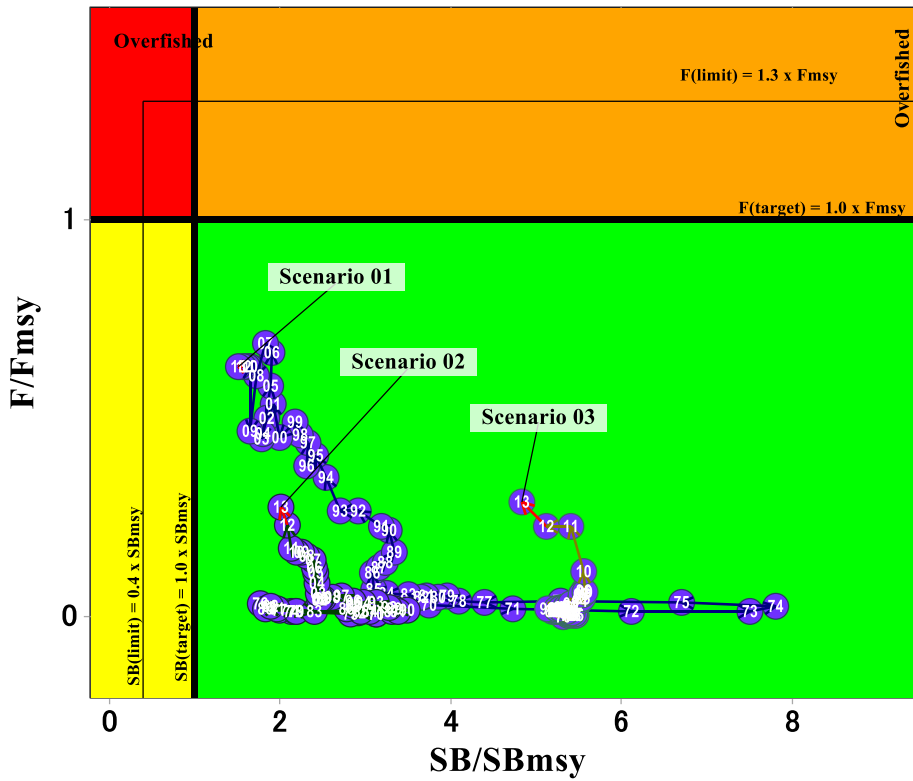
### 4) Editing trajectories and phases

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> sheet (next age), users can edit trajectories and phase using various editorial options and users can create desirable plots. After users finish the initial graph setting, push OK button, then users will see the edited Kobe plot (next page).



Graph setting menu for Trajectory and Phase

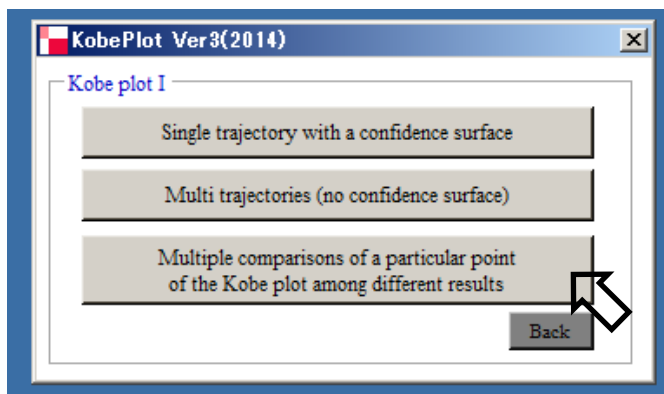
**Multiple Kobe plots (sample)**



Edited multiple Kobe plots by graph settings

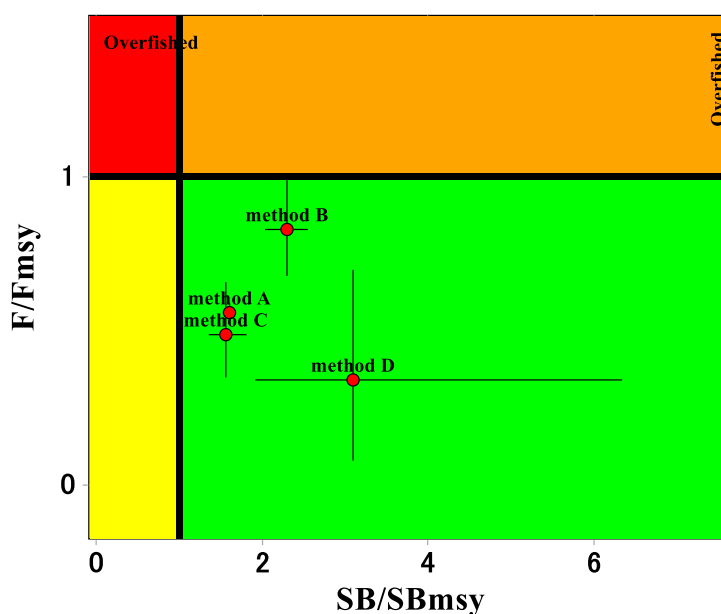
### 4.3 Multiple comparisons among different stock assessment results

In the similar way as previous options, multiple comparisons option can be conducted as below (only essential figures are provided):



Data format (example)

Methods	SB/Sbmsy (point)	SB/Sbmsy (lower)	SB/Sbmsy (upper)	F/Fmsy (point)	F/Fmsy (lower)	F/Fmsy (upper)
method A	1.61	1.58	1.68	0.56	0.52	0.59
method B	2.30	2.04	2.56	0.83	0.68	1.00
method C	1.57	1.36	1.82	0.49	0.35	0.66
method D	3.10	1.92	6.35	0.34	0.08	0.70



Initial plot

**Graph Settings**

Points and lines | Phases

**Axis**

	Title	Min.	Max.	Increment
X:	SB/SBmsy	0	7.6	1
Y:	F/Fmsy	-0.15	1.5	1

Font Size: 20 **B** [Color] [Reset]

Change titles of XY axis to other names

X: [ ]  Y: [ ]

**Legend**

Center marker

Color: [Red] Size: 5 Style: Circle

Circle line

Color: [Black] Width: 2 Style: Solid

Cross line (XY confidence interval)

Color: [Black] Width: 1 Style: Solid

Circle name Font Size: 12 **B** [Color]

Title

Comparisons among different stock assessments result:

Font Size: 18 **B** [Color]

Limit Reference Point

**Limit Reference Legend**

X(%): 0.6  X: SB(limit) = 0.6 x SBmsy

Y(%): 1.3  Y: F(limit) = 1.3 x Fmsy

Color: [Black] Width: 1 Style: Solid

Font Size: 10 **B** [Color]

Target Reference Point

**Target Reference Legend**

X(%): 1.0  X: SB(target) = 1.0 x SBmsy

Y(%): 1.0  Y: F(target) = 1.0 x Fmsy

Color: [Black] Width: 1 Style: Solid

Font Size: 10 **B** [Color]

[OK] [Cancel]

**Graph Settings**

Points and lines | Phases

Phase color [Red] [Orange] [Yellow] [Green]

Line width of XY axis

Color: [Black] Width: 5 Style: Solid

**Phase name Label**

Overfished Horizontal

Overfishing Vertical

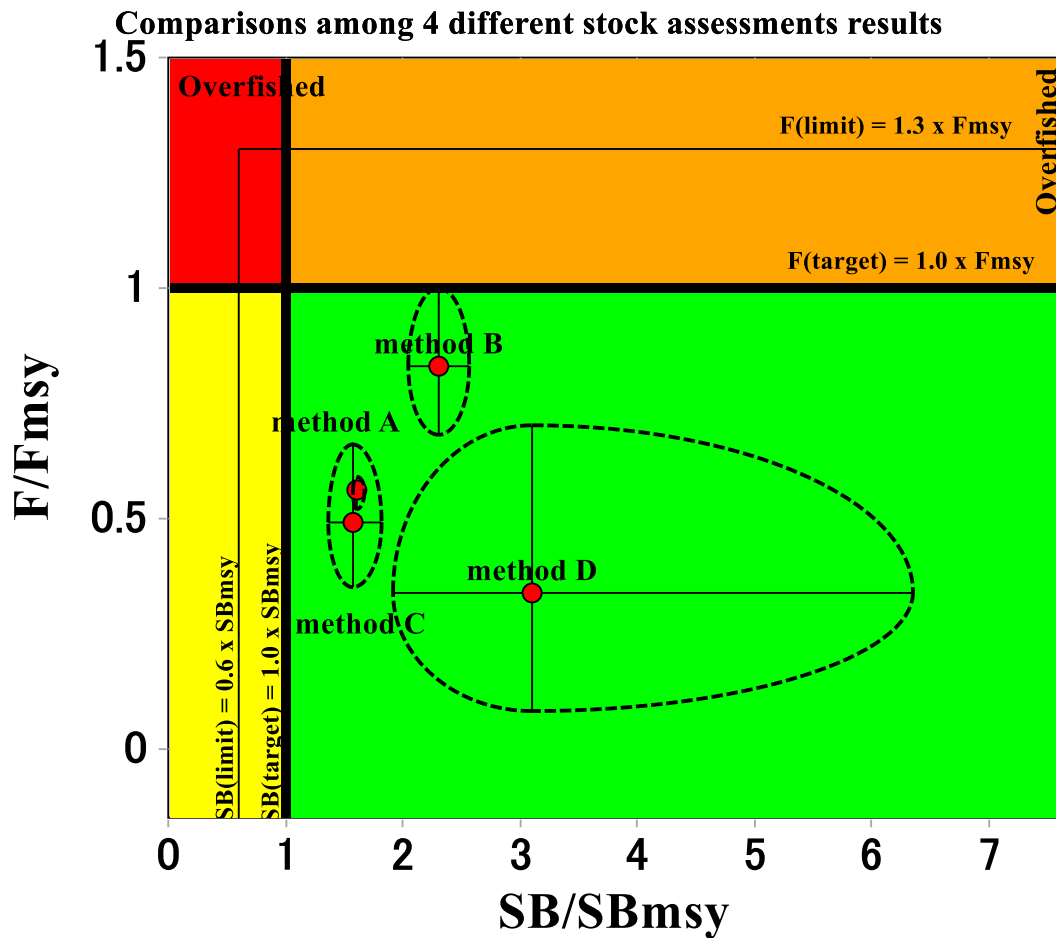
Recovering Horizontal

Safe zone Horizontal

Font Size: 12 **B** [Color]

[OK] [Cancel]

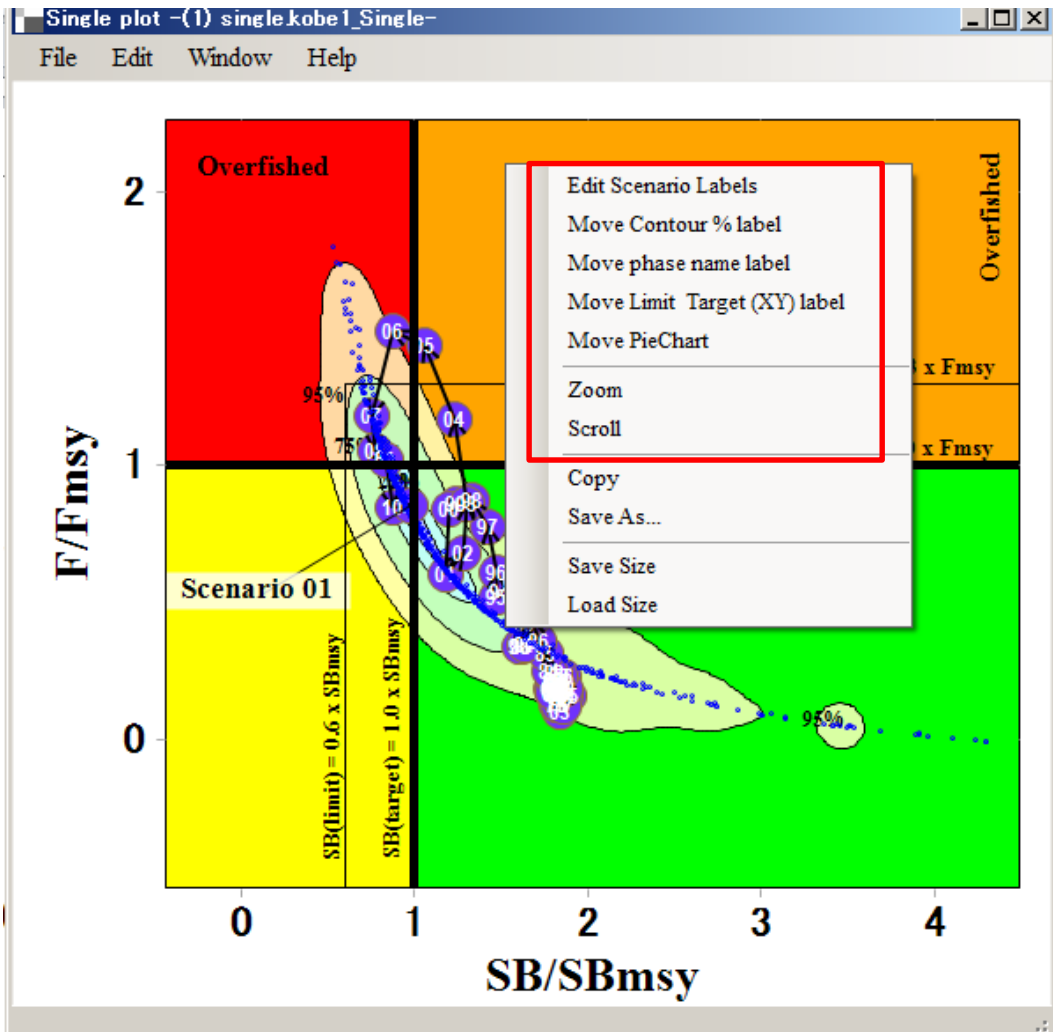
Graph settings (two windows)



Edited multiple comparison Kobe plots after graph settings

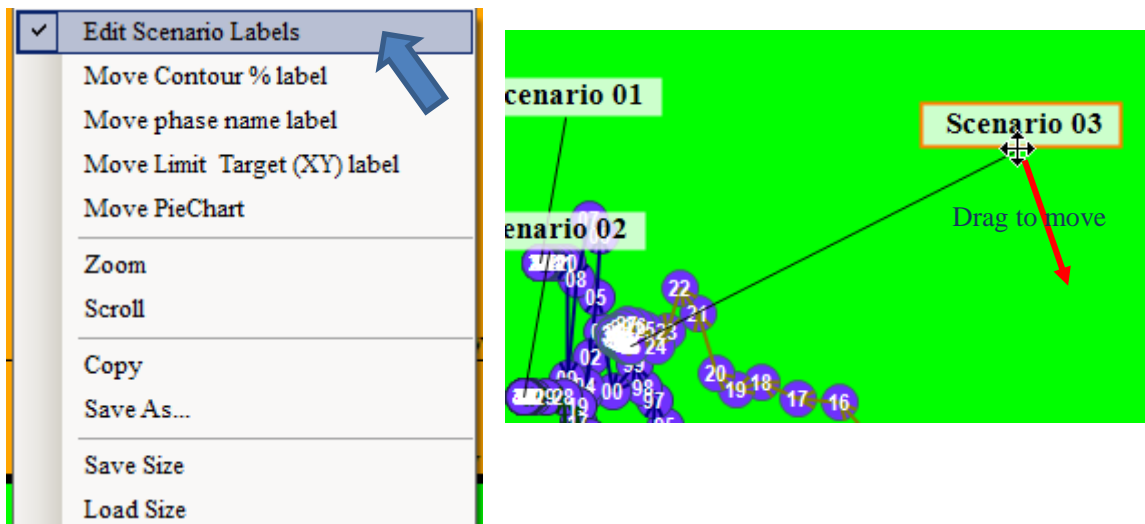
#### 4.4 Common functions (editing and moving labels)

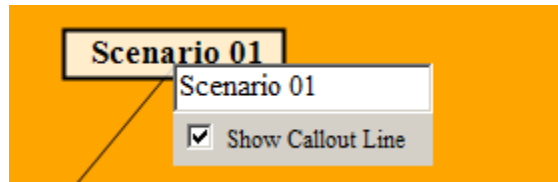
There are a number of labels in the Kobe plot 1. If users want to move and edit these labels, click the right button of the mouse (or equivalent operation), then users will see 5 types of menus to move and edit labels and 2 other functions in the red box as shown next page



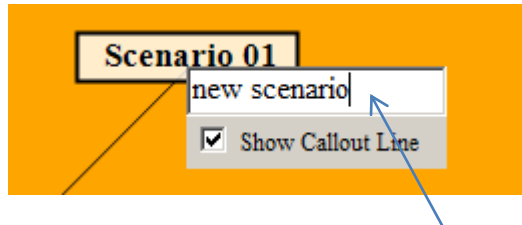
1) Editing and moving scenario labels

Click the right button of the mouse in the plot area then the context menu will appear. Select and tick “**Edit Scenario Labels**”. Then click the label users want to move and drag it to where users desire to place.





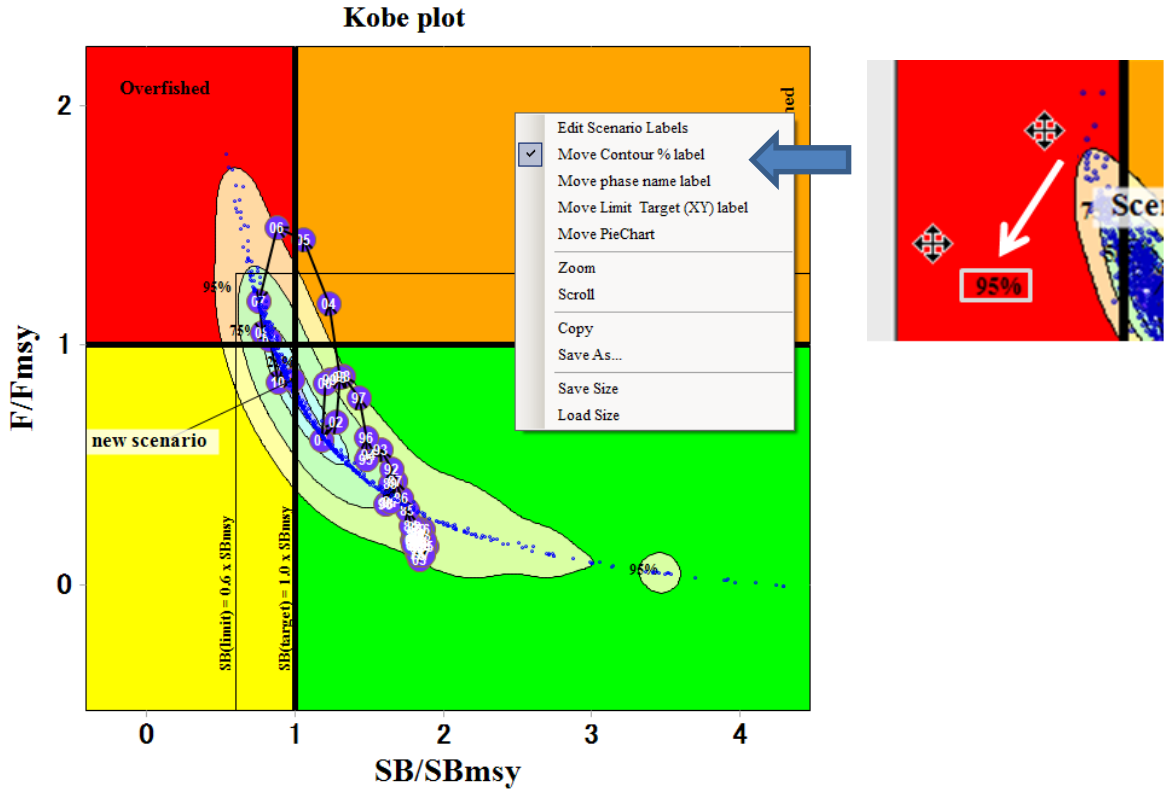
Callout line on and off



(Important) Press the Enter key to finish editing.

## 2) Moving contour percentage labels

Move the cursor to the percentage label of the plot and click the right button, then the context menu will appear as below. Select **Edit Contour Labels** then put the cursor on the percentage label (e.g. 95%) then move it to where users desire (see below).





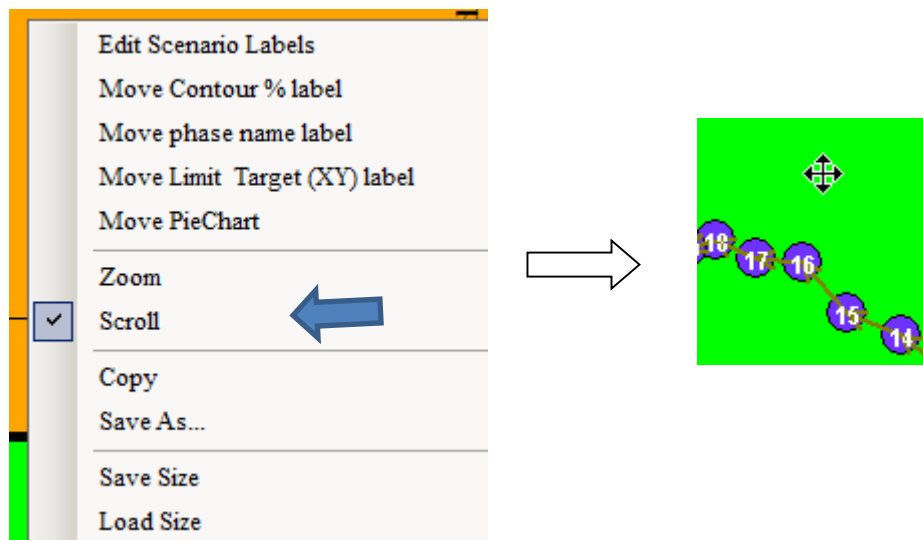
- 3) Moving phase names labels
- 4) Moving Limit Target Limit Reference Point and
- 5) Moving Pie Chart

Users can apply these function in the similar way as in Moving contour percentage labels

## 6) Scrolling

Click the right button of the mouse in the plot area then the context menu will appear.

Select and tick “**Scroll**” then drag the cursor and scroll the plot area as users like.




## 7) Zooming the plot area

Click the right button of the mouse in the plot area then the context menu will appear.

Select and tick “**Zoom**”. Then drag the cursor to the area users want to zoom then that area will be highlighted with slash lines (shades). To go back to the original plot, click the left button then drag towards the left-upper corner. Then users will get back the original plot.

- Edit Scenario Labels
- Move Contour % label
- Move phase name label
- Move Limit Target (XY) label
- Move PieChart

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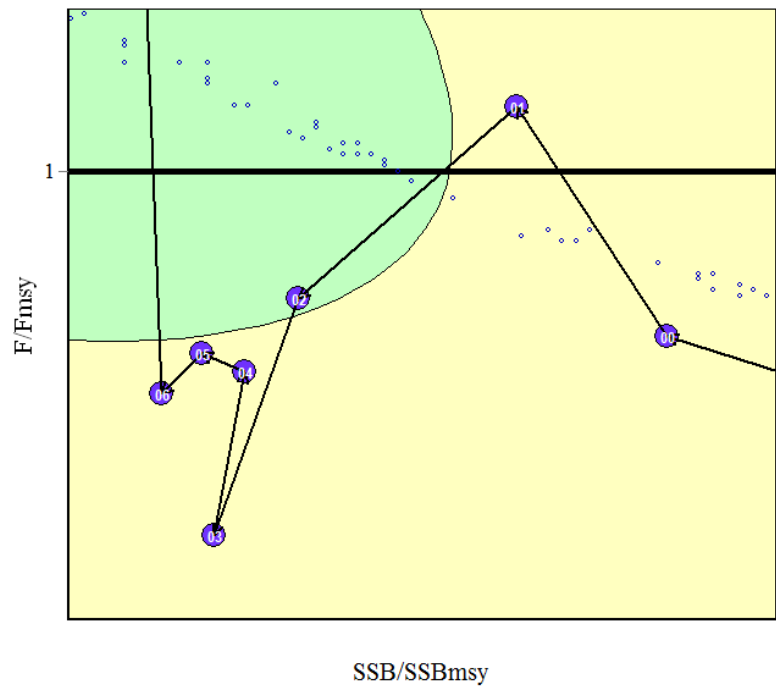
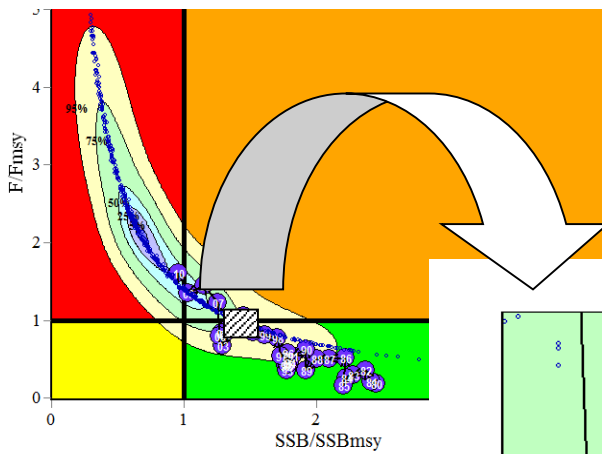
- Zoom 
- Scroll

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- Copy
- Save As...

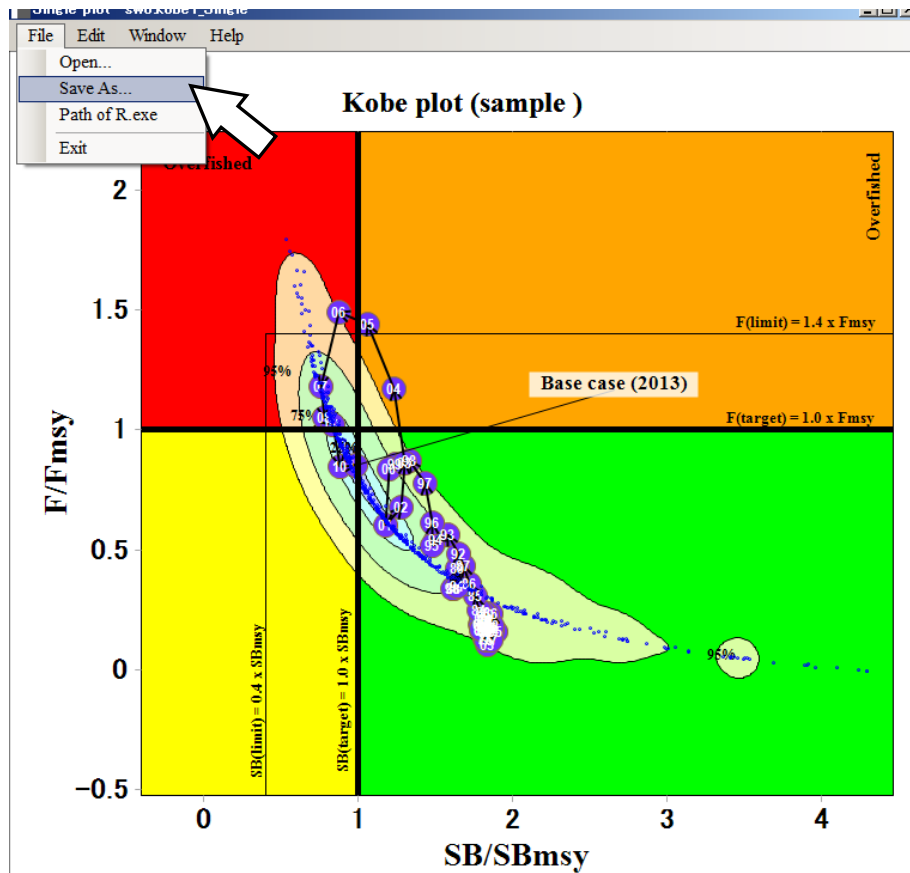
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- Save Size
- Load Size



## 8) Saving the plot

There are two ways to save the Kobe plot, i.e., only images or the whole Kobe plot which can retrieve the same image then users can edit further. In order to save, just click “**Save As**”.



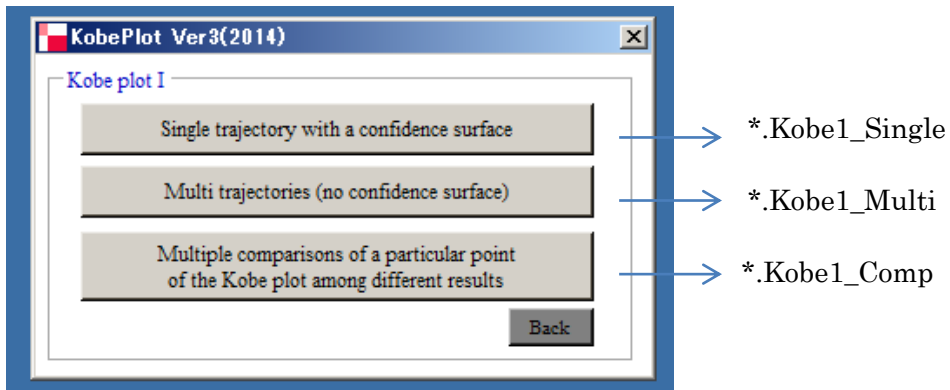
### Image

There are 3 ways to save only images by 3 different types of external file, i.e., “.BMP”, “.PNG” and “.EMF”. It is recommended to use “.EMF” which provides the best quality of picture for users report in the word file for example.

**While Kobe plot**

If users want to retrieve the last plot and conduct further editions, there are 3 ways to save by menu as follows:

External file name



## 5. Kobe Plot II (Risk assessment matrix diagram)

Kobe II (Risk assessment matrix) was recommended to produce by 5 tuna RFMOs meeting (2010) in San Sebastian, Spain. The risk matrix here means the risk probabilities that SSB/TB ratio and F ratio will exceed their MSY levels in 3 and 10 years. But the matrix (table) has been quite difficult to understand its meanings especially for manager as the matrix is described by the mathematical notations (see below). To improve this situation, we developed the diagram to convert from the matrix (table) format, so that anyone can easily understand the meanings of the matrix. We applied spatial contour estimation techniques used in our marine GIS (Marine Explorer).

Reference point and projection timeframe	Alternative catch projections (relative to 2010) and probability (%) of violating MSY reference points							
	60%	80%	85%	90%	100%	110%	120%	140%
$B_{2013} < B_{MSY}$	45	48	50	53	57	62	67	81
$F_{2013} > F_{MSY}$	11	47	54	58	66	71	76	82
$B_{2020} < B_{MSY}$	18	51	59	66	74	82	87	91
$F_{2020} > F_{MSY}$	<1	49	61	70	82	89	91	96

### 1) How to create the input data?

To create the input data, make one CSV file based on the risk matrix for 10 years as below, i.e., Column 1: percentage increase or decrease from the current catch (status quo). Columns 2-11 projected years and corresponding risk probabilities by percentage (Y axis). This format is the diagrams for both SSB (or TB) ratio and F ratio. Please note that colors are not needed. Here colors are used only for the illustration purpose to understand the risk probability levels.

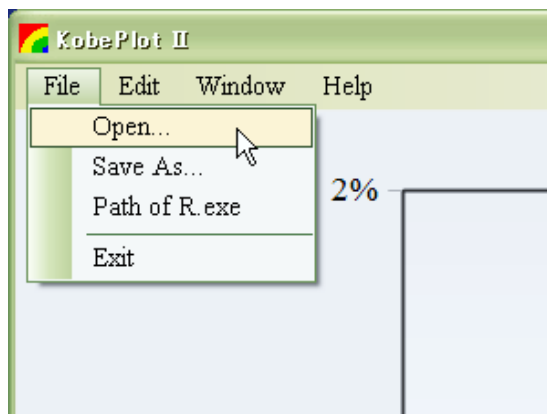
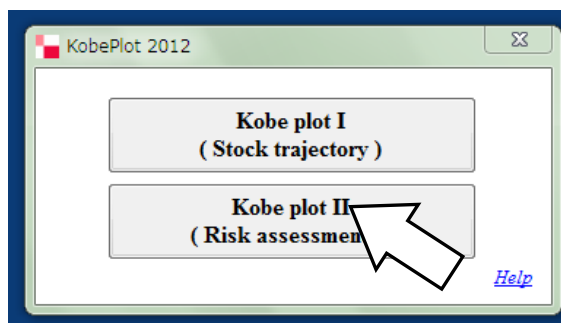
Example from Indian Ocean albacore stock and risk assessment.

	column 1	column 2	column 3	column 4	column 5	column 6	column 7	column 8	column 9	column 10	column 11
row 1		2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
row 2	-40%	0.101	0.008	0.002	0.001	0	0	0	0	0	0
row 3	-30%	0.101	0.05	0.042	0.044	0.05	0.048	0.054	0.056	0.058	0.063
row 4	-20%	0.101	0.091	0.081	0.087	0.099	0.096	0.107	0.111	0.115	0.127
row 5	-10%	0.101	0.194	0.239	0.291	0.342	0.37	0.409	0.437	0.459	0.489
row 6	0%	0.101	0.296	0.396	0.495	0.584	0.644	0.71	0.762	0.803	0.821
row 7	10%	0.101	0.434	0.572	0.677	0.757	0.811	0.853	0.881	0.902	0.923
row 8	20%	0.101	0.572	0.748	0.858	0.929	0.978	0.996	1	1	1
row 9	30%	0.101	0.683	0.847	0.925	0.965	0.989	0.998	1	1	1
row 10	40%	0.101	0.794	0.945	0.992	1	1	1	1	1	1

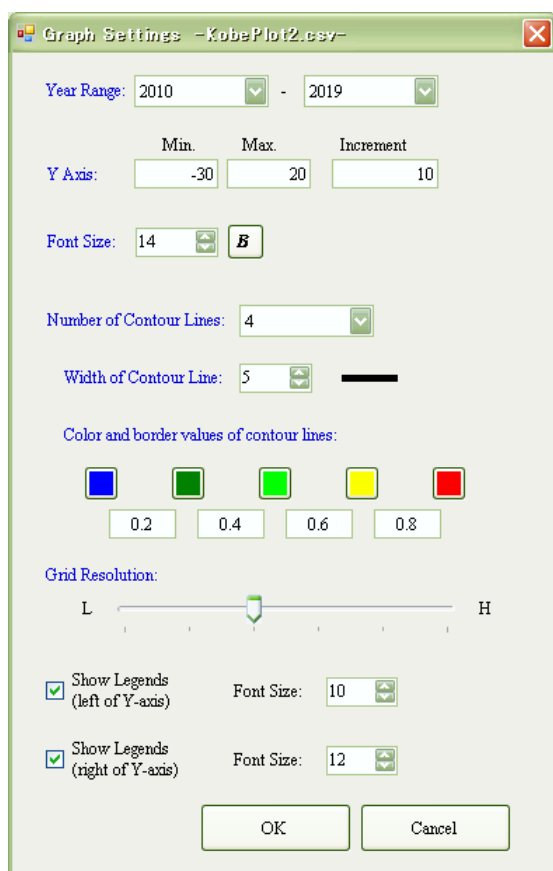
## 2) How to get the input data into the software?

Click Kobe Plot II.

Then users will see the empty window (see right below). Then click file, open, then go to the folder where user's CVS file is located and import to the software. Then users will see the graph setting menus as described below, which are self-explanatory. Users can adjust various parameters to create user's desirable output (diagram).



## 3) Graph Settings



### Year Range

Set the year range to display.

### Y Axis

Set values of the minimum, the maximum percentage and the interval (increment).

**Font Size** Select the font size. Click on the **B** button to make the font bold.

### Number of Contour Lines

Select the number of contour lines from 2 to 4.

### Width of Contour Lines

Select the width of contour lines from 0 to 10.

### Colors and border values

Set colors and border values of the contour lines

### Grid Resolution

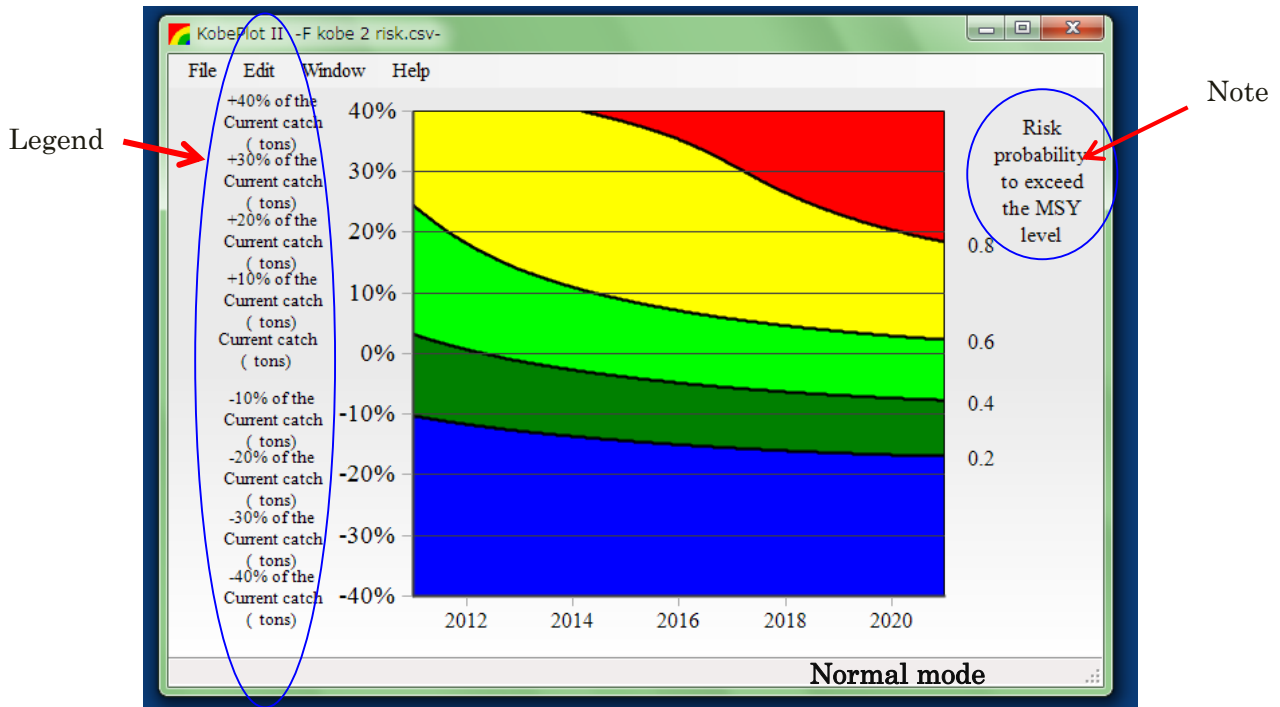
Move the grid resolution bar for the optimum resolution of the diagram (default position is recommended).

### Legends/Note and Font size

Tick the box to show Legend (left of Y-axis) or Note (right) (refer to the sample, next page) and select Font size.

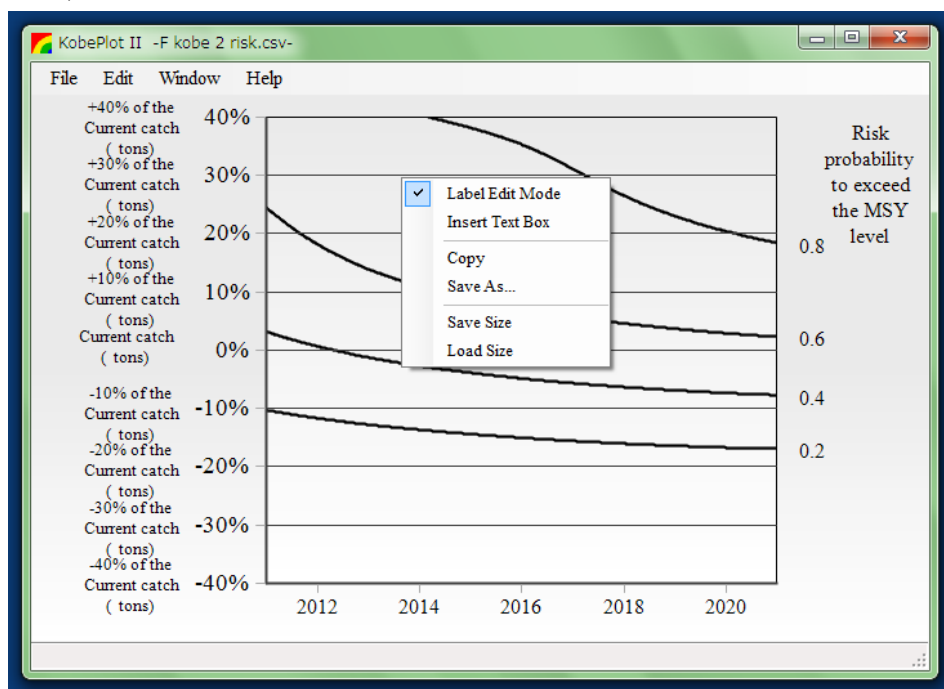
**4) Displaying the Kobe plot II diagram (SSB/TB ratio or F ratio)**

After users set up the graph setting, click OK button (see previous page), then users will get the Kobe plot II (risk assessment matrix) diagram with “Legend” and “Note” as below. *[Note] Users can change ranges, for example, (-40%) – (40%) by 10% interval by graph settings.*



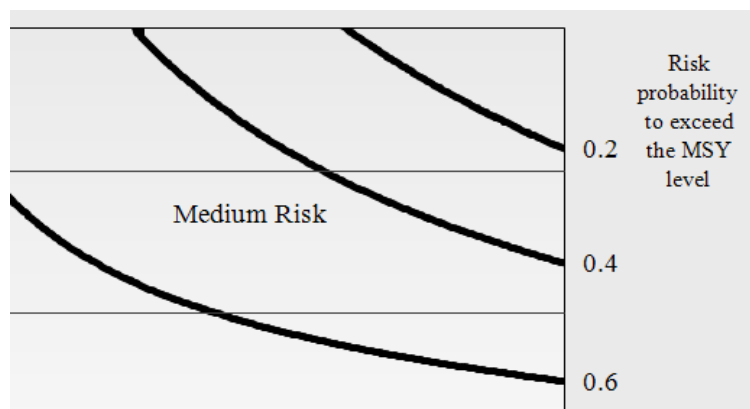
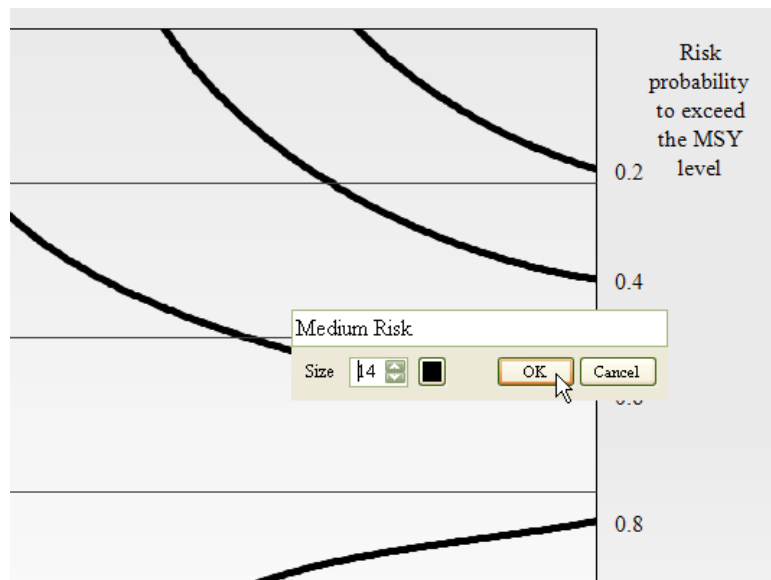
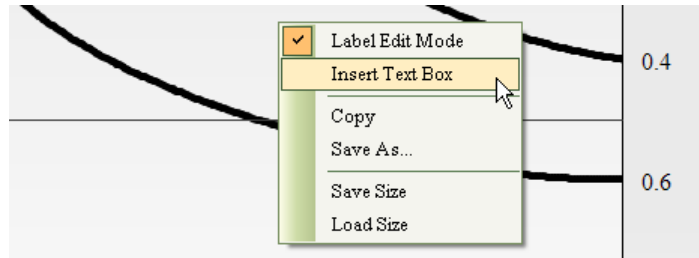
**5) Label Edit Mode**

To edit the “Legend”, “Note” and “To insert some text”, Change from Normal Mode (above) to Label Edit Mode (below). To get the menu, click the right button of user’s mouse (or other ways if users don’t use the mouse).



## 6) Insert and Edit the text in the diagram

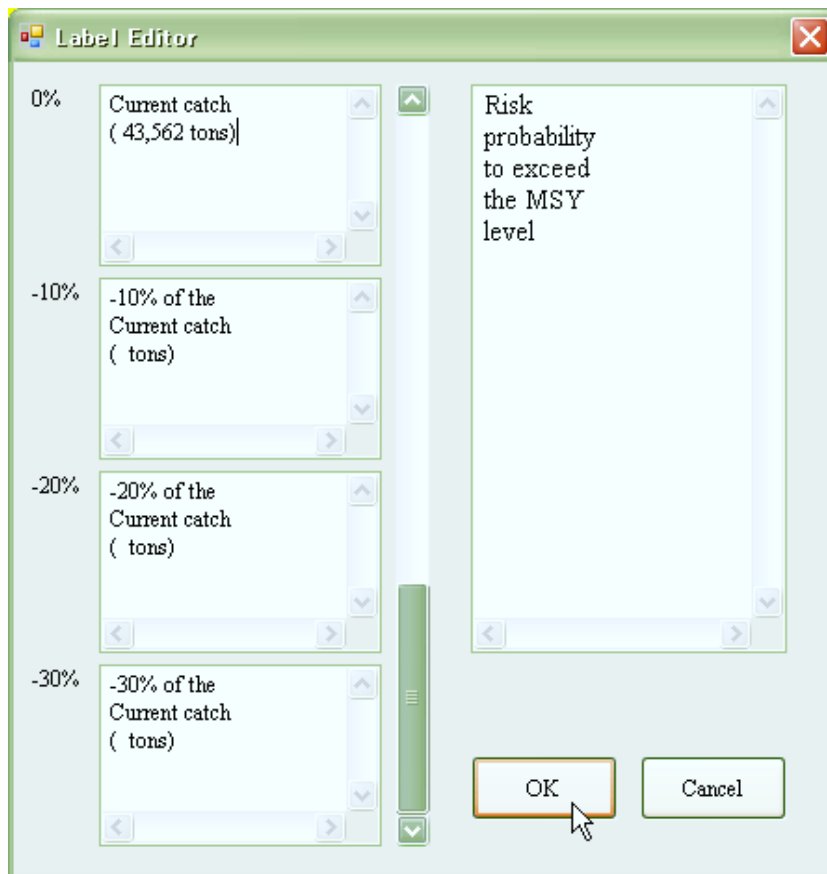
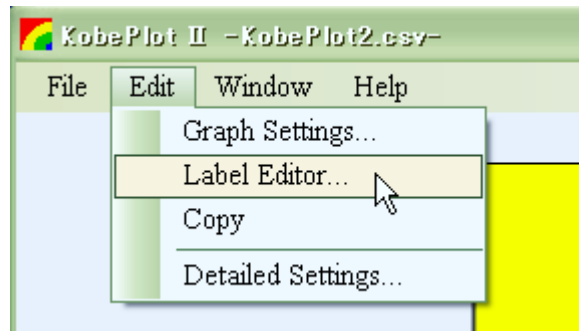
Users can add the text anywhere in the diagram. First, move the cursor to the location where users want to make text box then click the right button of user's mouse. Users will see the context menu as below. Click **Insert Text Box** then make the text. Users can drag the text box by the cursor to move the location that users want to place.





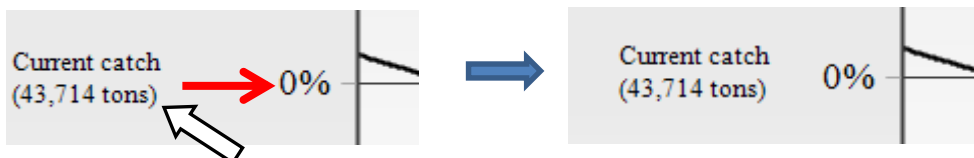
**7) Editing Legends (X-axis left) and Note (X axis right)**

To edit Legends (X-axis left) and Note (X axis right), get “Label Editor” (below) then edit.



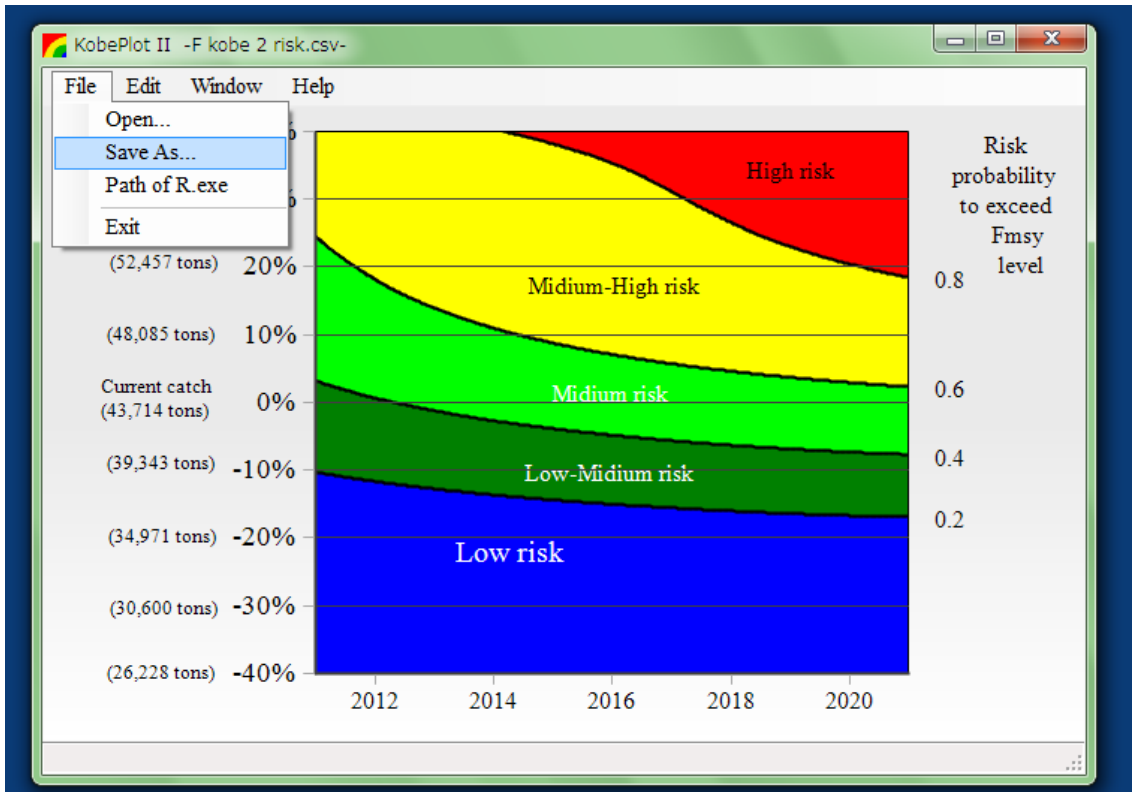
**7) Moving Legends (X-axis left) and Note (X axis right)**

In the “Label Edit Mode” (see above), users can adjust positions of Legend (X-axis left) and Note (X-axis right) by dragging with mouse.



## 8) Saving the diagram

After users finalize the plots, save the plots by click “**Save As**”. There are 4 ways to save to the external file, i.e., .Kobe2, .BMP, .PNG, and .EMF. If users save “.Kobe2” file, then users can retrieve the last diagram that users save then users can do further editions. To save only mages, users ca use BMP, .PNG, or .EMF. But, “.EMF” is recommended to use for user’s paper/document file as it will provide the best quality of picture, although it is a bit heavy file.



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## APPENDIX A: SPECIFICATION OF KOBE I AND II SOFTWARE

### General

- Operation Systems (OS) : MS windows OS (both 32 and 64-bit PCs)
  - Microsoft Visual Studio 2010 (general programming)
  - TeeChart Pro .NET v2010 (graphical components)
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Confidence surface in Kobe plot I and contour estimations in Kobe plot (diagram) II

Following functions in “R” are applied

Confidence surface

- ‘kde2d’ function : Kernel estimation

Kobe plots 2 (Contour estimation of the diagram)

- ‘surf.gls’ function :to assign contour surface by least square means
- ‘prmat’ function: to assign the contour line by kriging