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How GNSS CORS in Japan (GEONET) works for disaster mitigations



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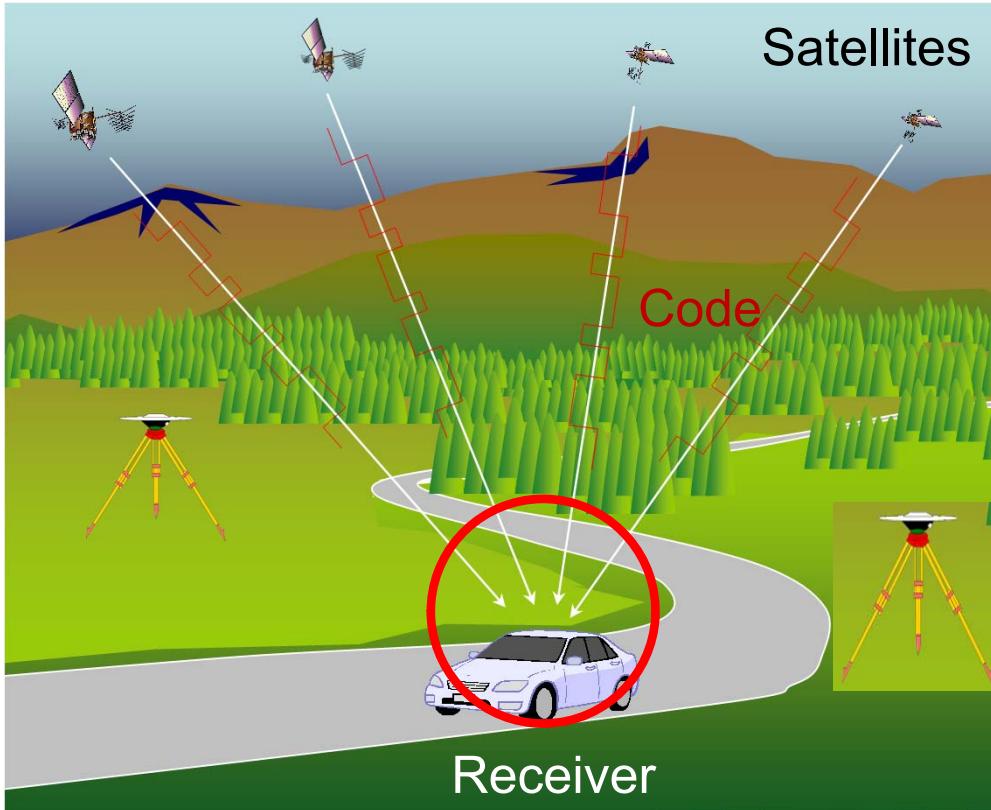
2. How GEONET (+ other Geospatial Info) works for natural disaster mitigations

- Tohoku earthquake M9.0 (2011)
 - ⇒ New Challenge to Tsunami Early Warning
- Monitoring of active volcanoes
- Weather forecast using GEONET data by Japan Meteorological Agency (2009~)
- UAV to monitor flooded area (2015)

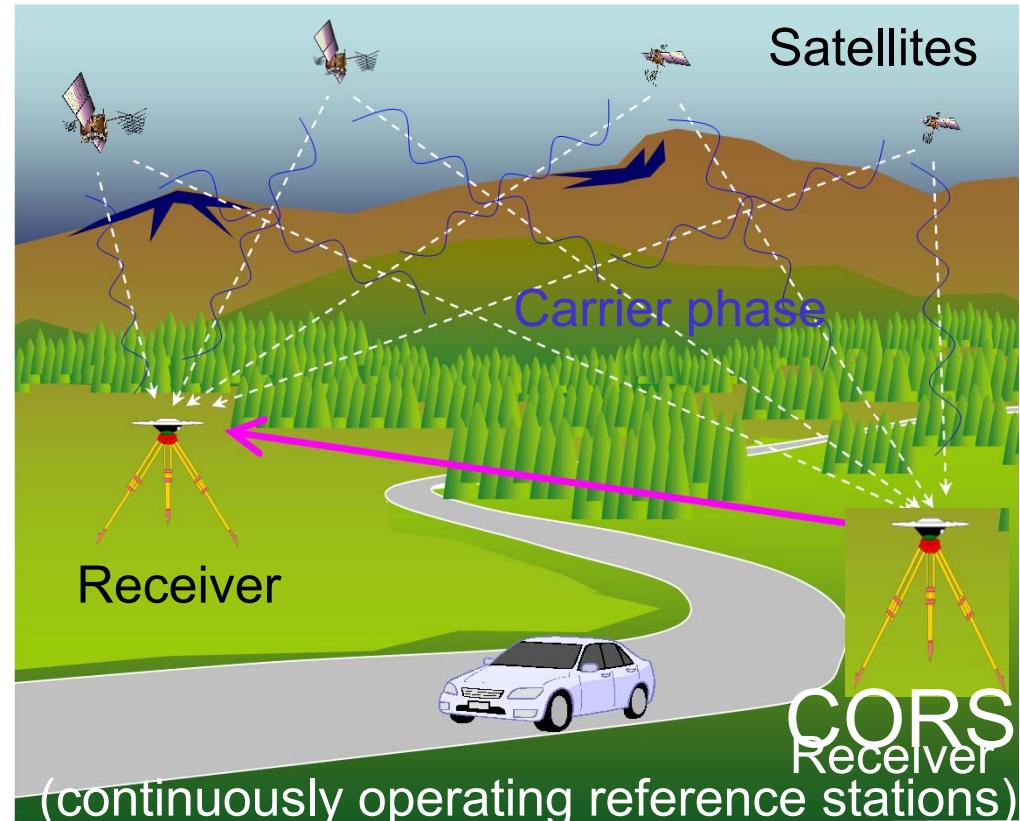
Introduction to GEONET

Positioning with GPS

Car Navigation



Land Surveying



- ✓ Point positioning
(XYZ) or (Lon, Lat, Height)
- ✓ Precision ~ 10 m

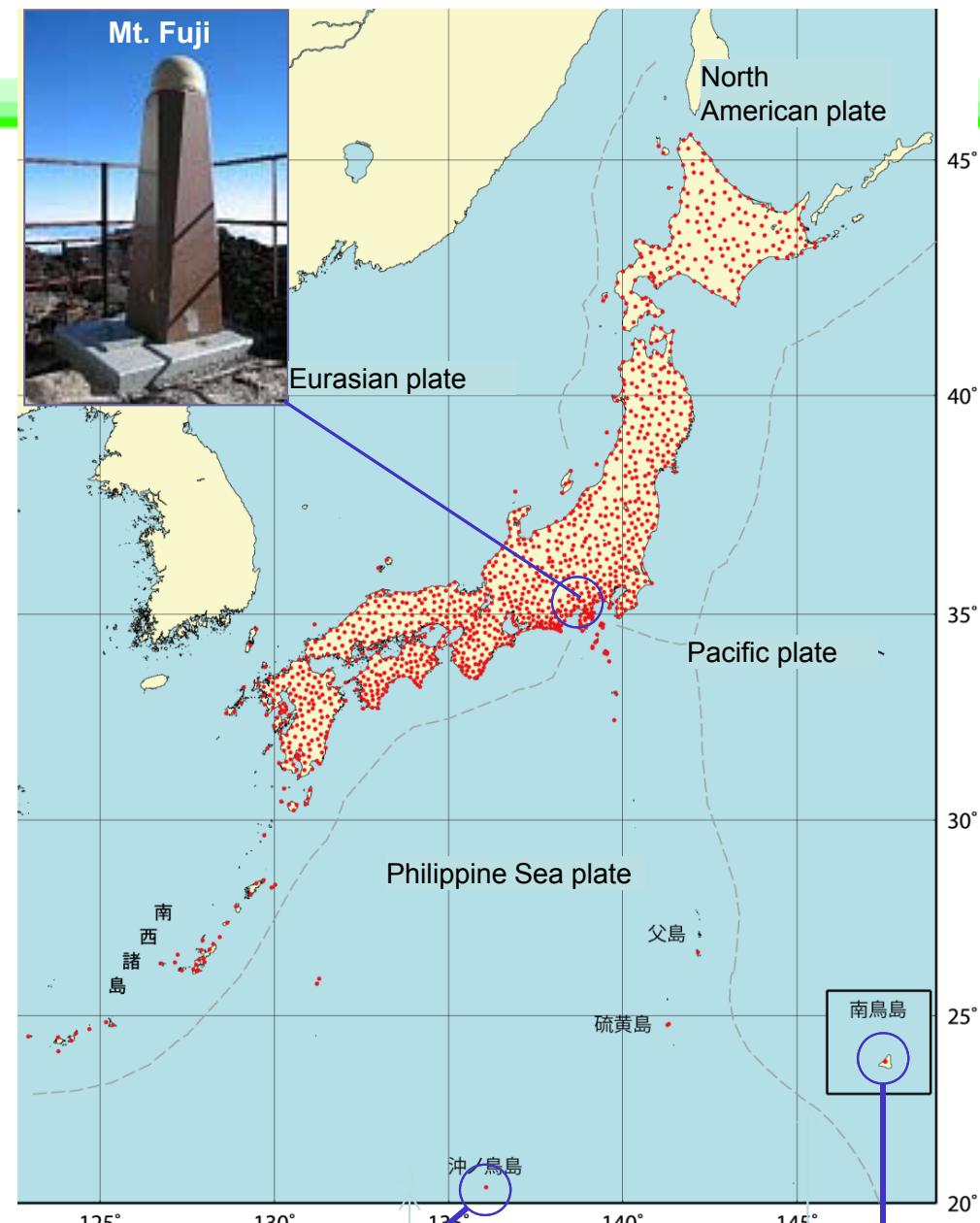
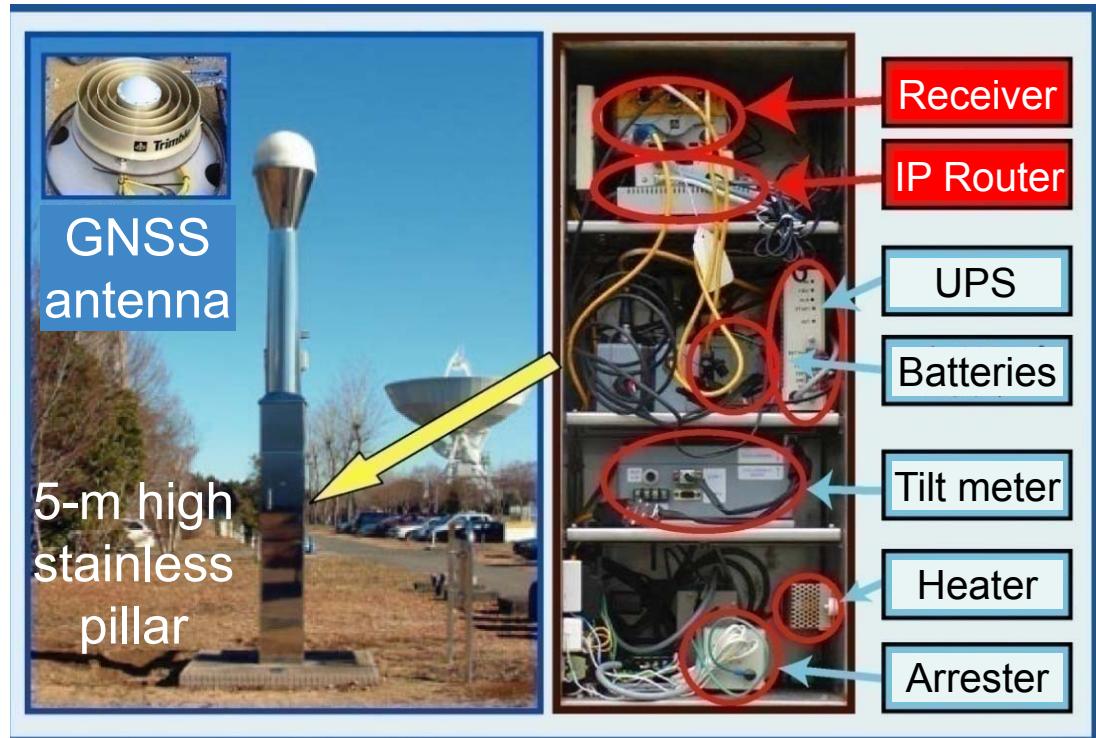
- ✓ Relative positioning
between 2 receivers
- ✓ Precision ~ 1 cm

What is GEONET ?

- One of the Largest Continuously Operating Reference Stations networks in the world
 - 1,300 permanent stations with 20km spacing in Japan
 - + processing center in Tsukuba
 - Collects GNSS data every seconds, and provides data / products to users
 - Includes 7 IGS stations
- **Infrastructure for surveying and precise positioning in Japan since 1994**

GEONET Stations

(GNSS-based control points)



Model 93
1993

Model 94
1994

Model 95
1995-1997

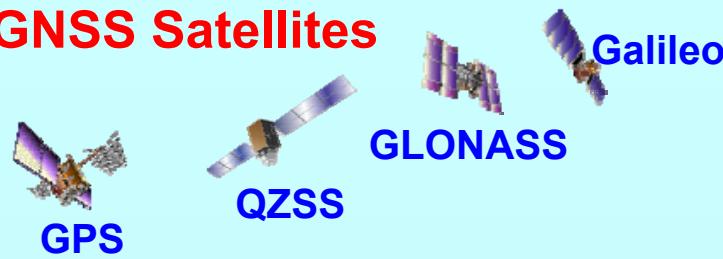
Model 02
2002-

Okino Tori island

Minami Tori island

GEONET data / outcomes

GNSS Satellites

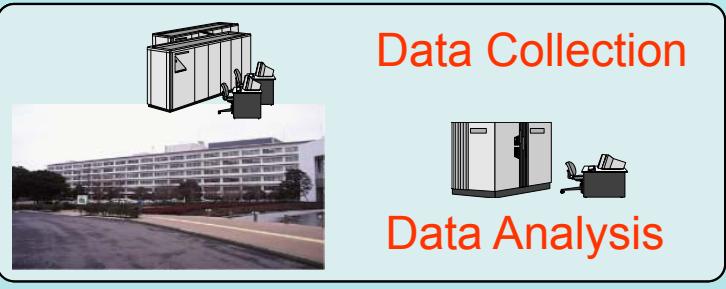


GNSS-based control points



- 20 km spacing
- Operated 24/7
- Transferring real-time 1 Hz observation data

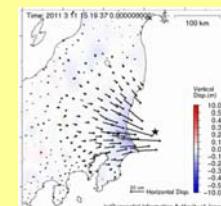
Analysis Center in Tsukuba



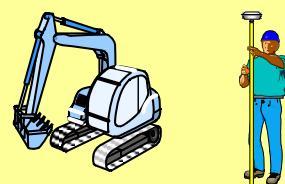
Observed data (every 30 sec)



Analyzed data (coordinates)



Real-time data



Provided to the Industry

Survey & Mapping

- Data open to the public via web page, free of charge, with official site coordinates

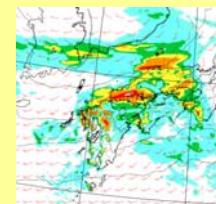
Crustal deformation Monitor

- Monitoring of Earthquakes and Volcanic activities
- (new) Tsunami early warning

Precise real-time positioning

- ICT construction
- precision farming
- Source of QZSS augmentation

Other data



Applications

- Weather forecast using watervapor info from GNSS
- Ionosphere studies

How GEONET works for disaster mitigations

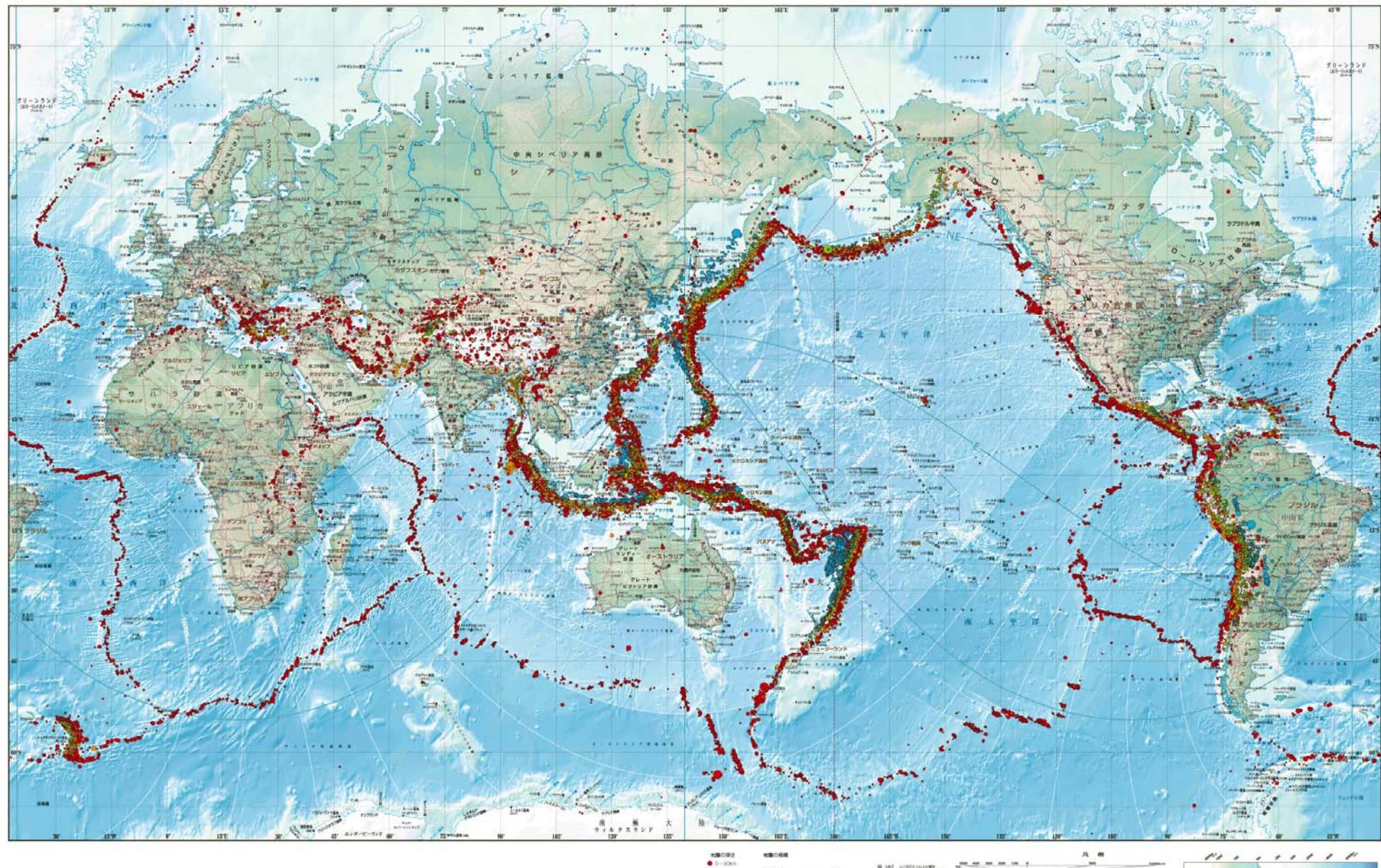
Case 1: Earthquakes

Seismicity map of the world

世界の震源分布

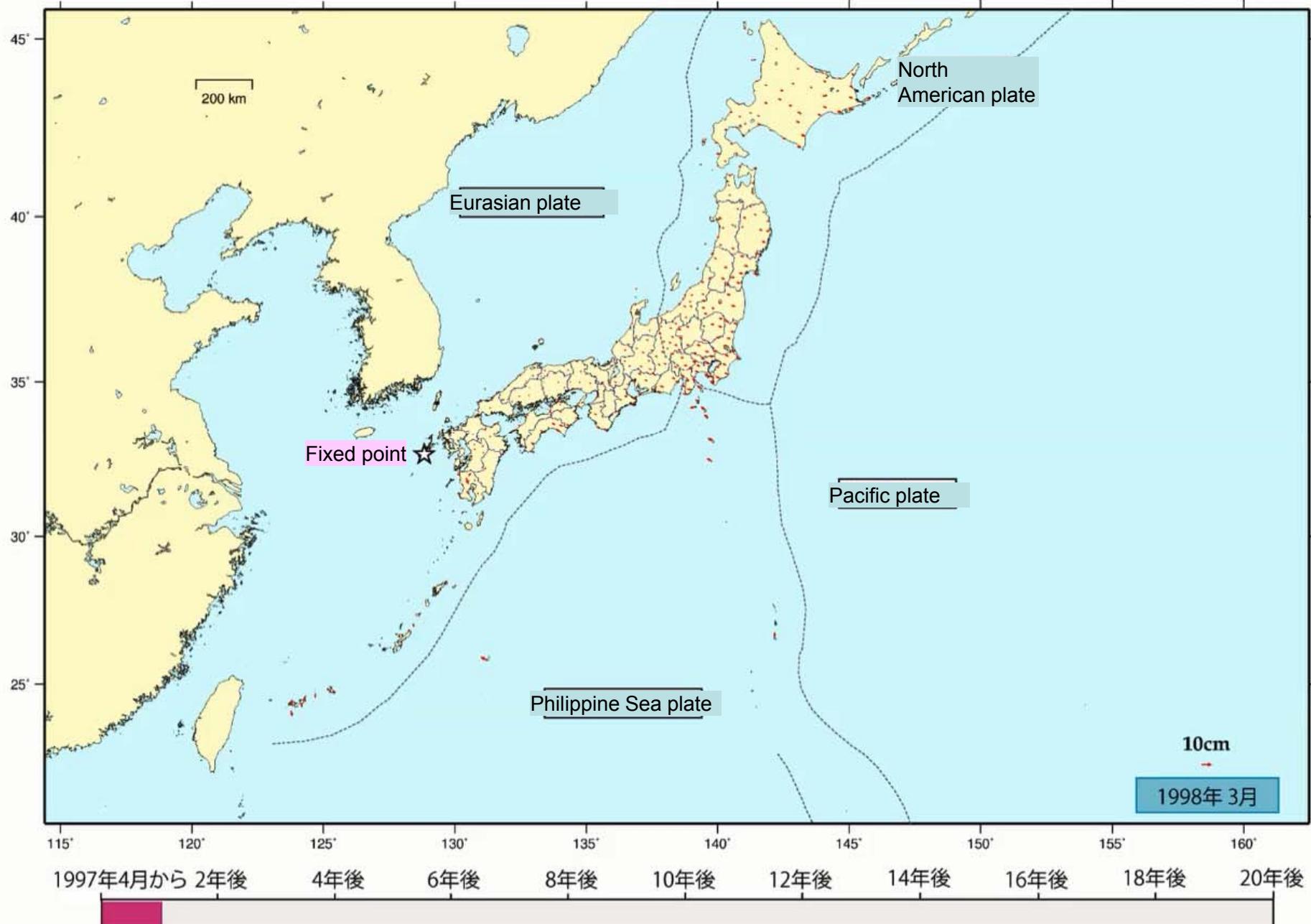
Earthquakes > M5.0 in 1977-2014

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Crustal deformation observed by

GEONET in Japan since April 1997



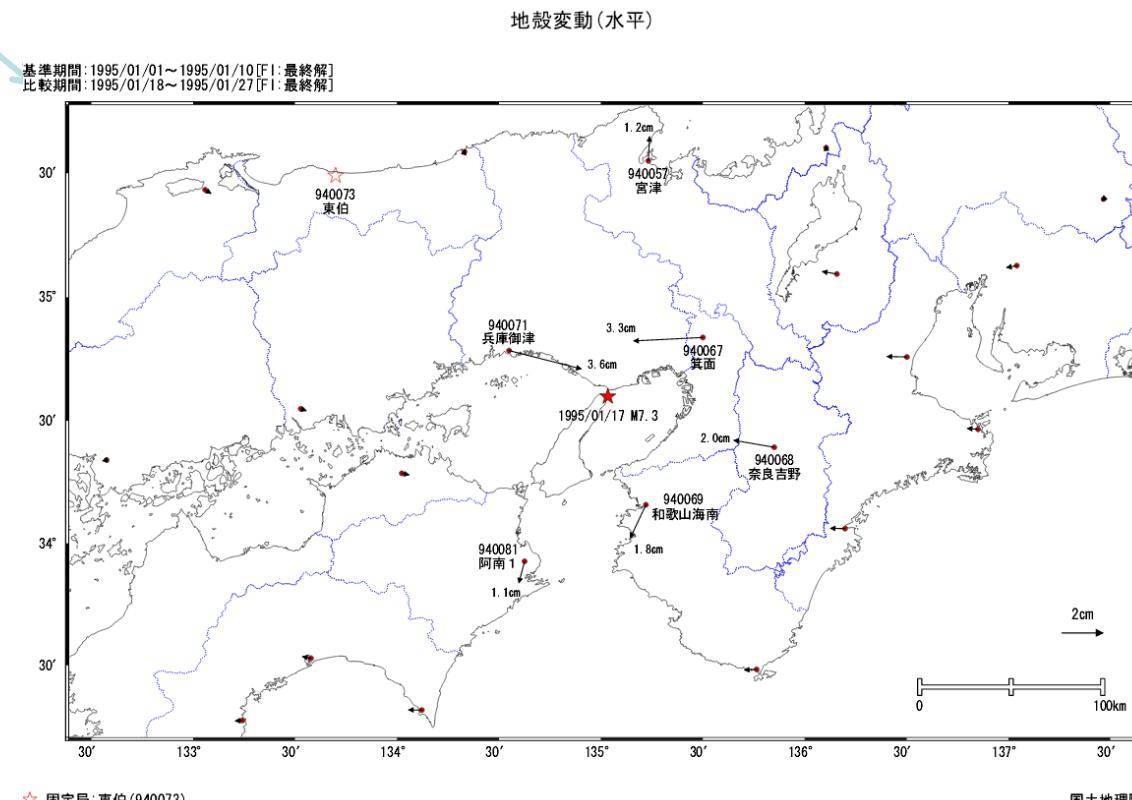
Major earthquakes recorded by

GEONET

Full list is available in “Index of Earthquake-derived Crustal Deformations detected by GEONET” (<http://mekira.gsi.go.jp/catalogue/index.html>)

- 1994/10/04 M8.1 Hokkaido toho oki
- 1994/12/28 M7.6 Sanriku haruka oki
- 1995/01/17 **M7.3 Kobe EQ**
- 2000/07/30 M6.5 Miyakeiima kinkai
- 2000/10/06 M7.3 Tottoriken seibu
- 2001/03/24 M6.7 Geijo
- 2003/09/26 M8.0 Tokachi oki
- 2004/10/23 M6.8 Chuetsu
- 2005/03/20 M7.0 Fukuokaken seihouoki
- 2007/03/25 M6.9 Noto hanto
- 2007/07/16 M6.8 Chuetsu oki
- 2008/06/14 M7.2 Iwate Miyagi nairiku
- 2009/08/11 M6.5 Surugawan
- 2011/03/11 **M9.0 Tohoku EQ**

- 2011/03/11 M7.6 Ibaraki oki
- 2011/04/11 M7.0 Fukushima hamadoori
- 2013/04/13 M6.3 Awaji shima
- 2014/11/22 M6.7 Naganoken hokubu
- ...

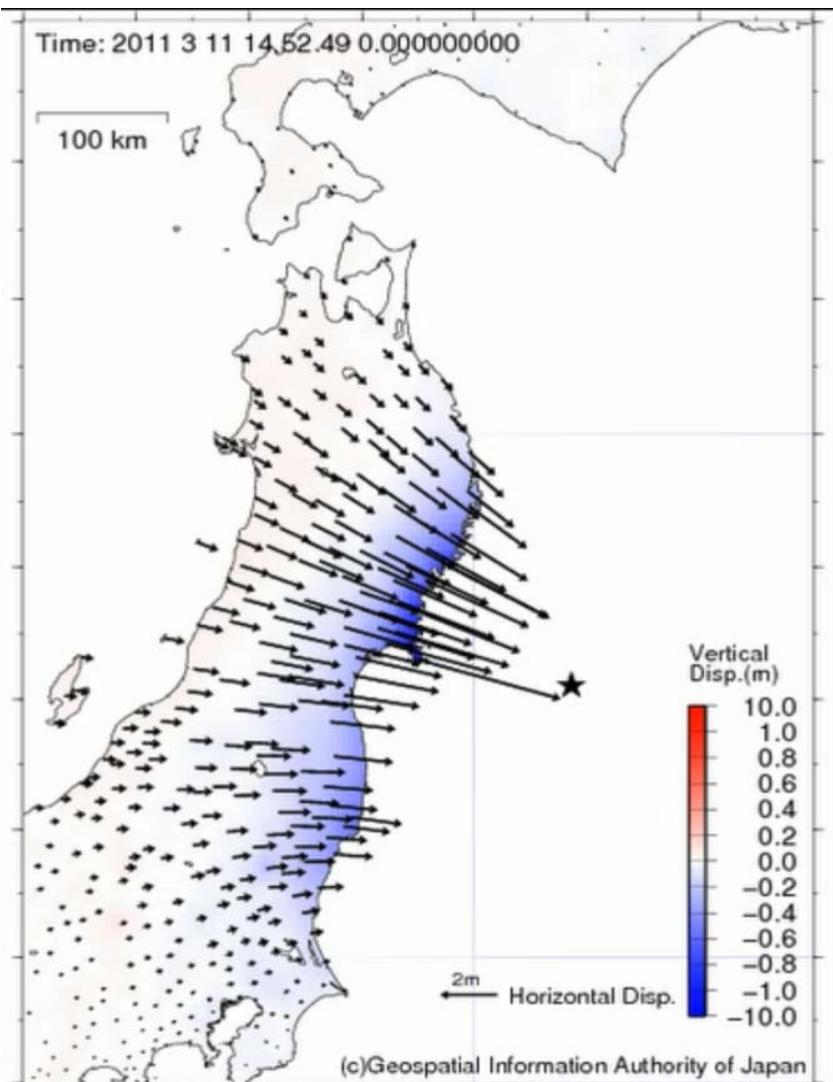


Tohoku EQ (M9.0)

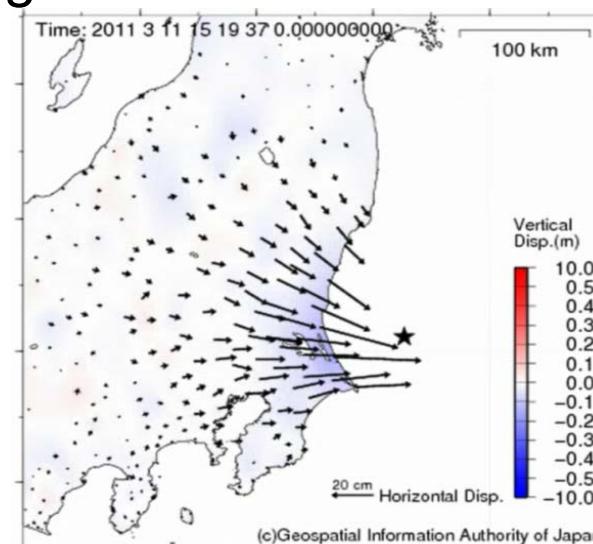
March 11, 2011

Coseismic deformation field observed by GEONET with 1Hz

14:46, March 11, 2011
Main shock M9.0



15:15, March 11, 2011
Largest after shock M7.7



Post processed 1 Hz PPP kinematic solutions with GIPSY 6.1 (Nishimura, 2011)
www.gsi.go.jp/cais/chikakuhendo40010.html

Vectors whose error exceeds 0.1m are not plotted.

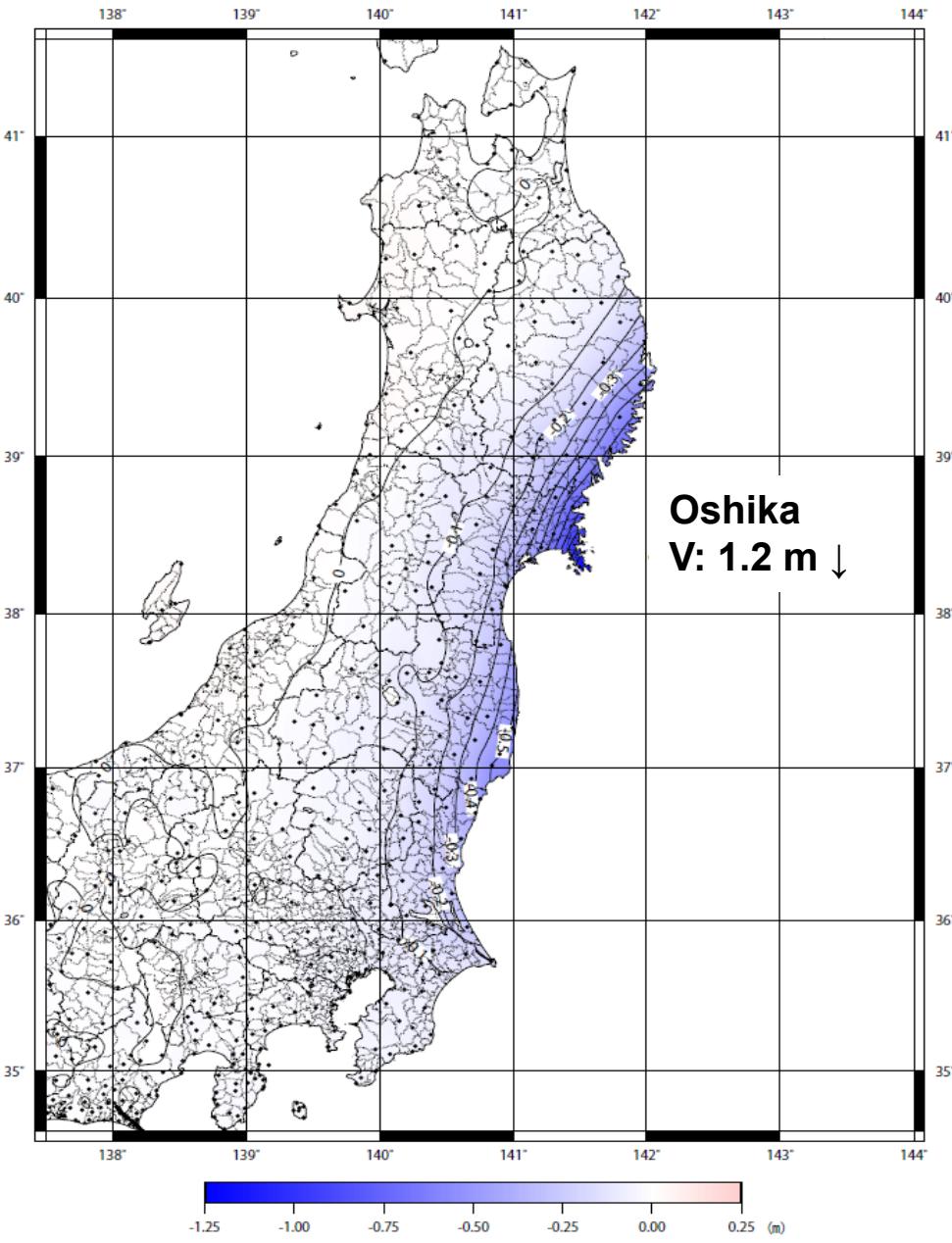
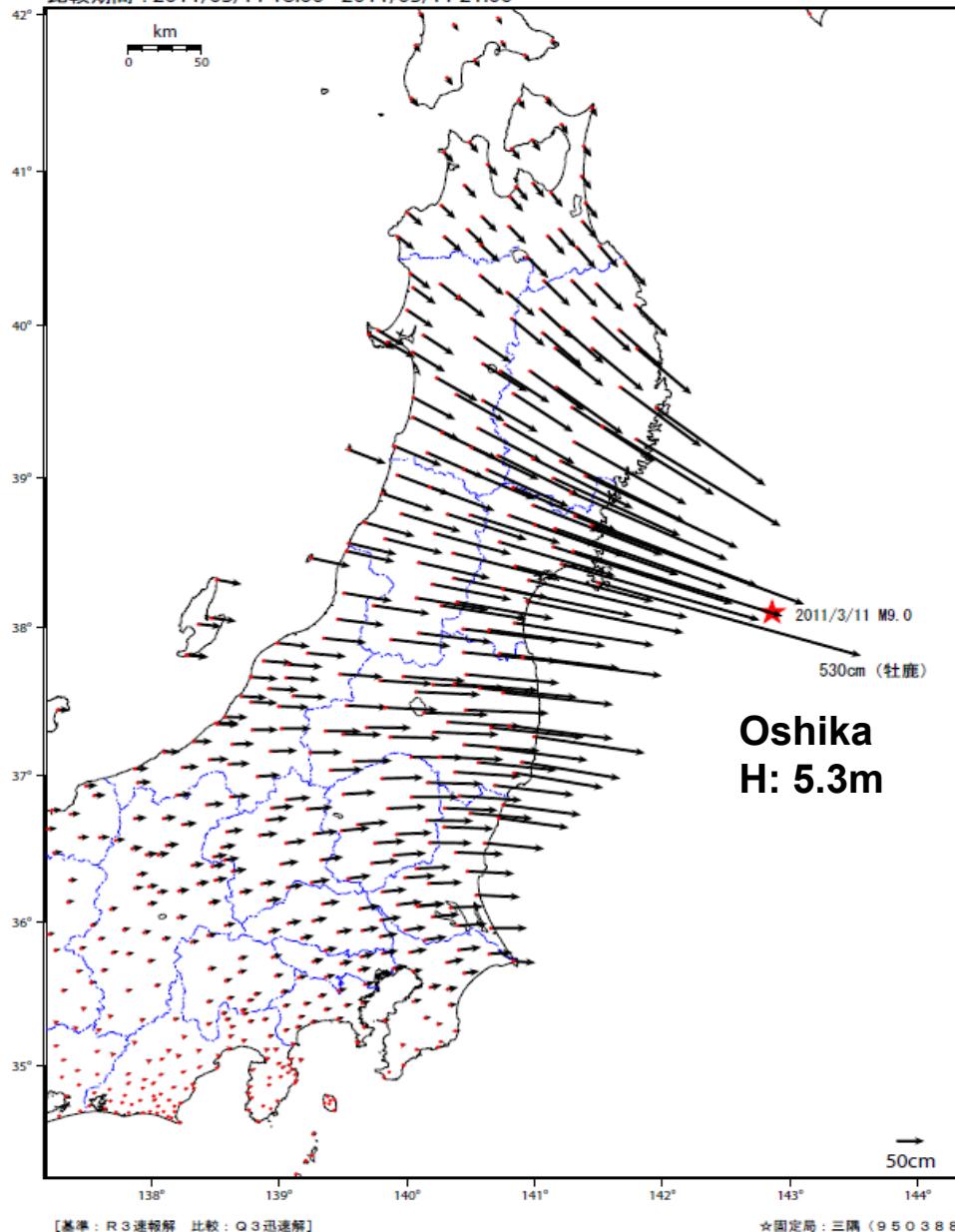
- 14:46 The 2011 Tohoku EQ (M9.0)
 - Due to blackout in Tsukuba, emergency generator of GEONET HQ activated.
- 15:45 No data from 37 stations via IP-VPN
- 16:15 No data from 358 stations via IP-VPN
 - Data from 196 stations retrieved by **backup mobile phone lines (packet communication)**
- 18:50 Coseismic deformation field using 3 hour data after EQ obtained; H: 4.0m, V: 0.7m
- 21:00 The result reported at Earthquake Research Committee of the Government

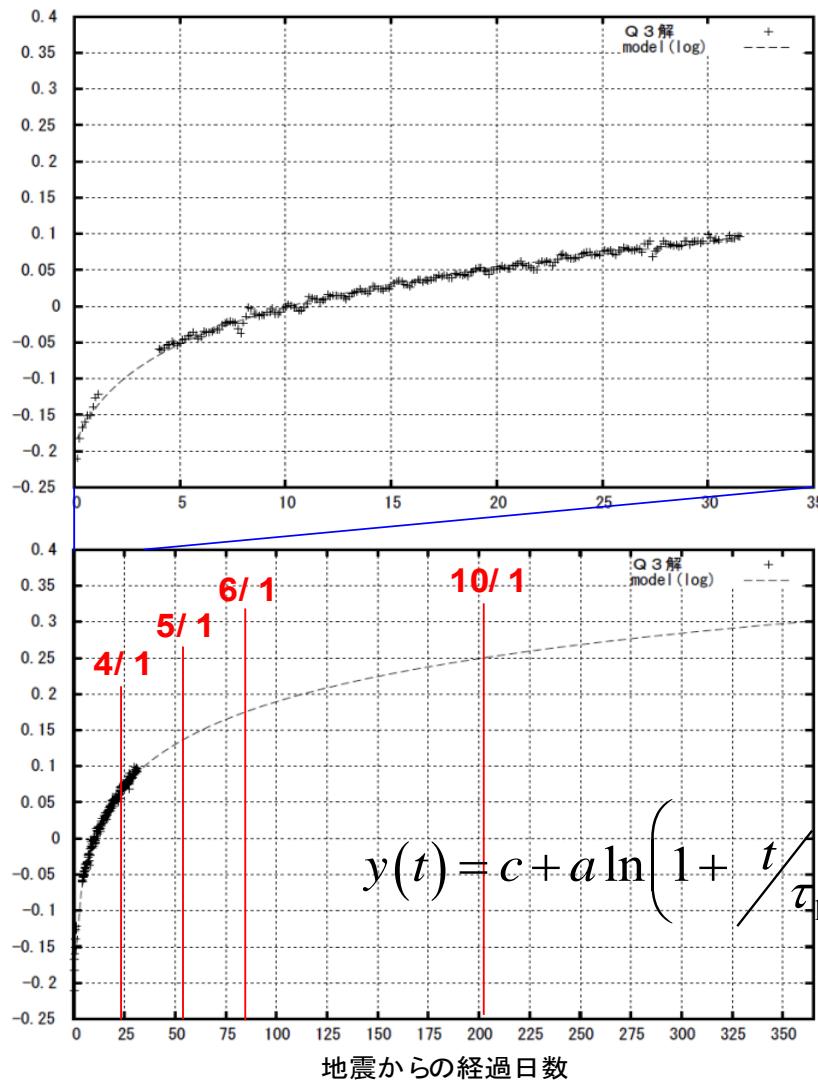
EQ disaster

- Observation of coseismic crustal deformations
 - Better modeling of EQ for predicting aftershocks
 - Confirmation of large ground subsidence (~1m)
 - Warning to high tide along the Pacific coast
 - Supporting aerial photogrammetry of flooded area
 - Enabling efficient reconstruction surveys
 - Quick revision of the official site coordinates
 - ICT construction using multi-GNSS
 - Monitoring of post seismic deformations
 - Important for facility management (port)
- ✗ No real-time deformation info at the time of EQ

Coseismic deformation field observed by GEONET

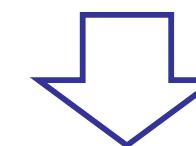
基準期間 : 2011/03/01 21:00 - 2011/03/09 21:00
比較期間 : 2011/03/11 18:00 - 2011/03/11 21:00





Japan Geodetic Datum (JGD) 2000

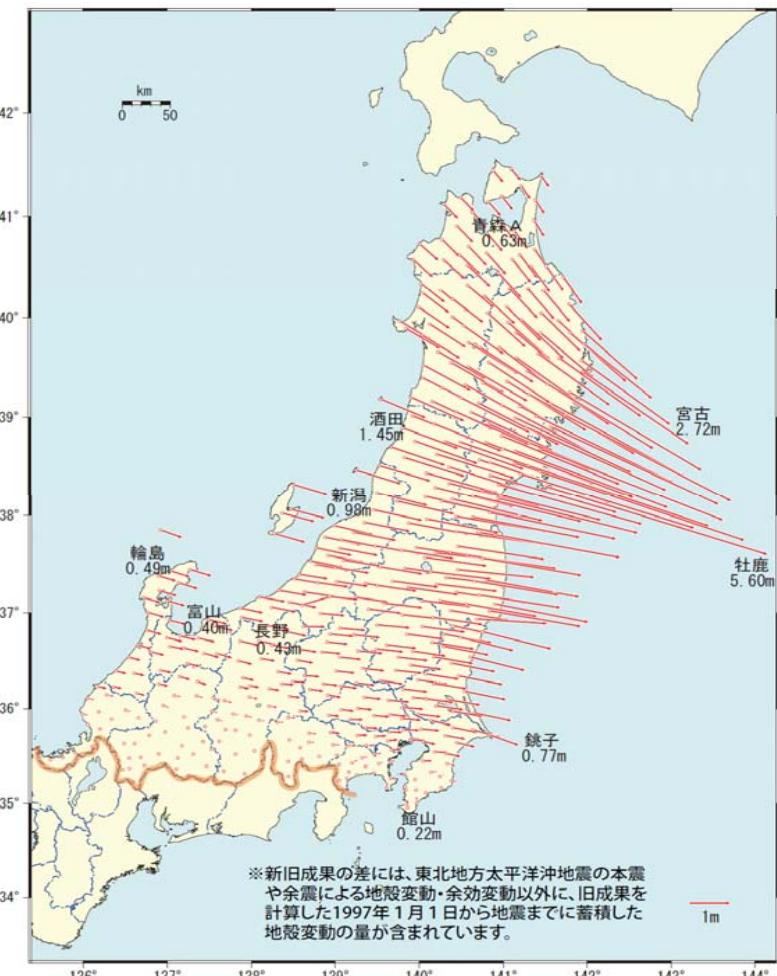
- Official coordinates for surveyors in Japan
- A Realization of ITRF94 with the epoch 1997.0
- Obsolete in east Japan after the 2011 Tohoku EQ



Updated to a new Japan Geodetic Datum; Realization of ITRF2008 using VLBI and GEONET results with the epoch 2011.4.

The update timing was determined considering the predicted decay curve of **post-seismic deformation**.

Update of official site coordinates (JGD2011)



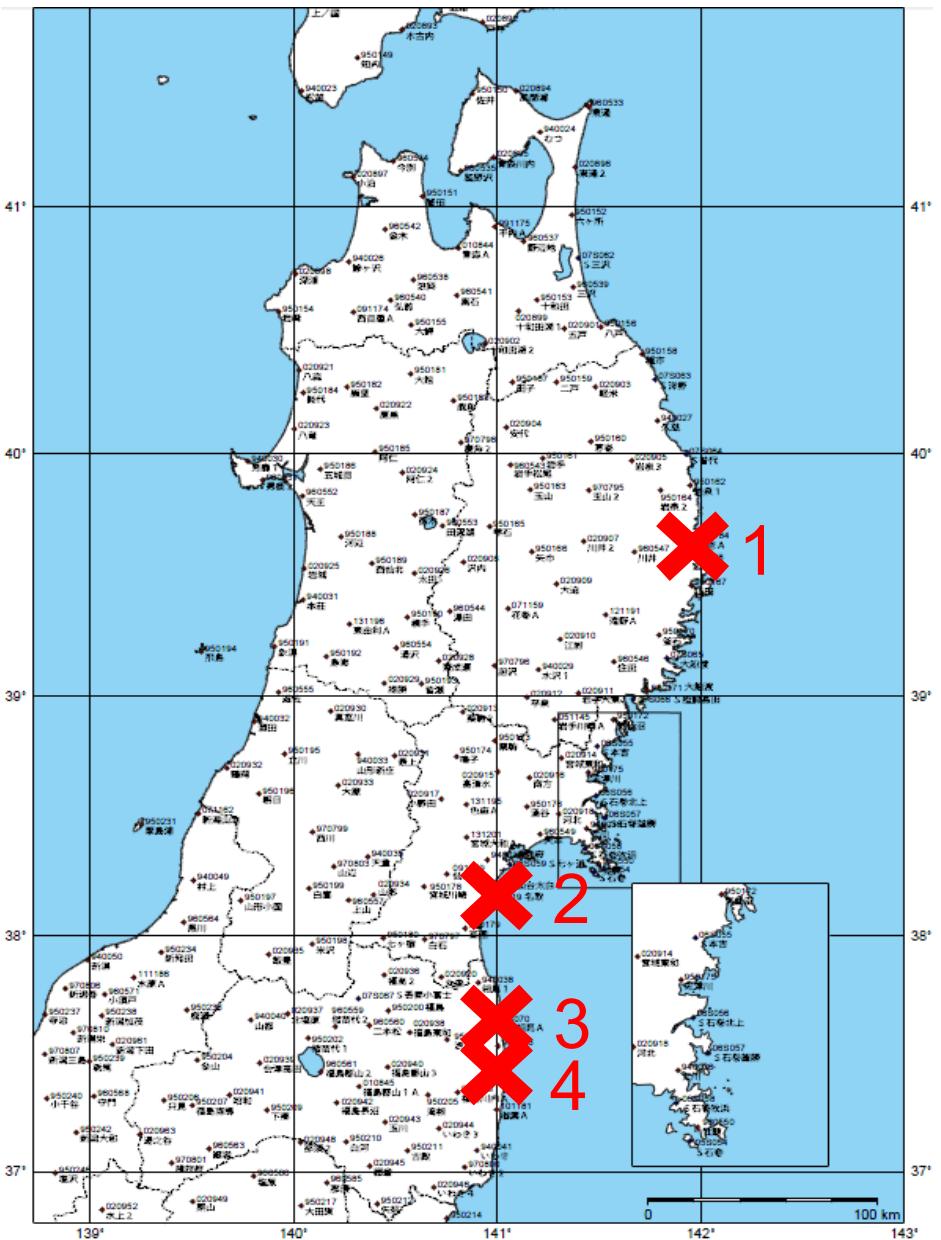
- New official coordinates of GEONET and **JGD2011** (ITRF2008) released on May 31



- Accelerated infrastructure reconstruction around Tohoku area.
- This quick response was achieved by the continuous observation of GEONET.

Difference between JGD2000 and JGD2011

Damage to GEONET



- Tsunami washed 4 GEONET stations.
 - 1) Taro, Iwate pref.
 - 2) Natori, Miyagi pref.
 - 3) Minami Souma, Fukushima pref.
 - 4) S Namie, Fukushima pref.

Natori (Miyagi Pref.)

Before EQ (2007~2009)



Natori (Miyagi Pref.)

After EQ (March 12-13, 2011)



Natori (Miyagi Pref.)



GSI, Japan

0 25 m

Natori (Miyagi Pref.)



GSI team
visited the
site on
March 16,
2011

Minami Souma (Fukushima Pref.)



Recovery from 2011 Tohoku EQ

Taro A



Minami Souma A



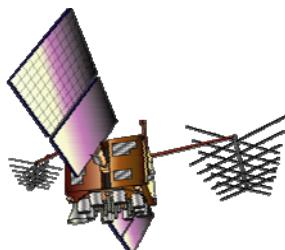
With Solar Panel
and mobile phone

1) Real-time deformation monitoring

- For quick estimation of magnitude of mega EQ to assist early Tsunami warning

2) Multi-GNSS support

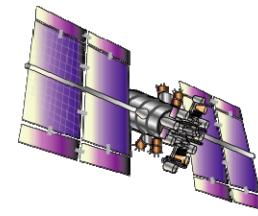
- For more efficient GNSS surveys in urban areas



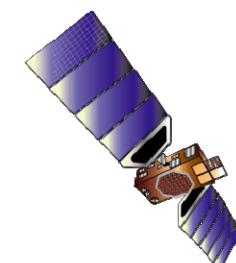
GPS (US)



QZSS (Japan)



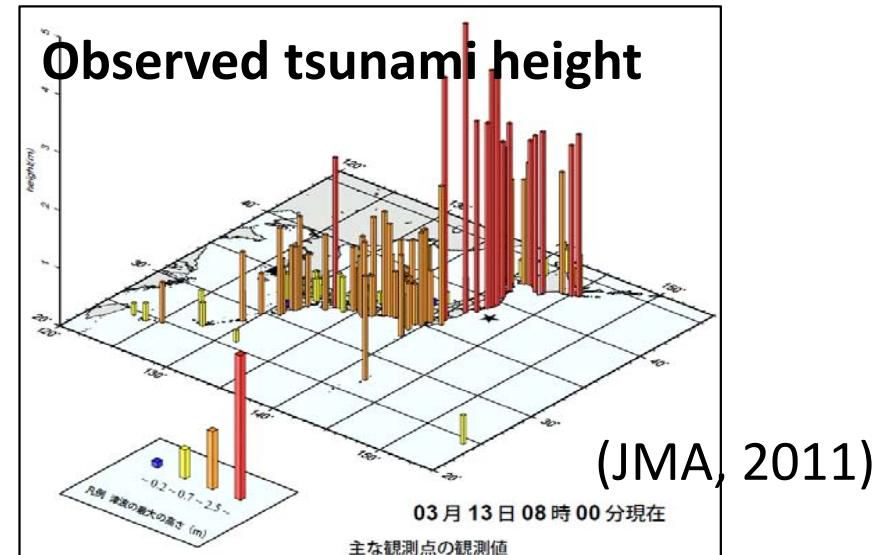
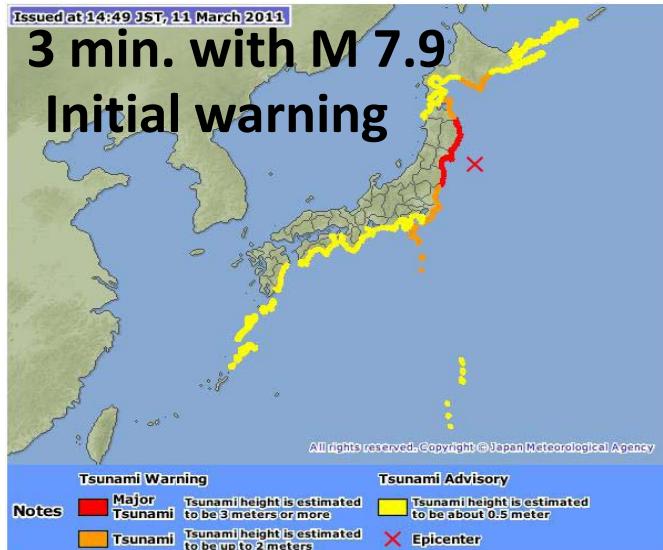
GLONASS (Russia)



Galileo (EU)

GNSS: Global Navigation Satellite System(s)

Motivation: Improvement of the tsunami warning



Tsunami warning issued after the 2011 Tohoku earthquake (Mw9.0)

1. Determination of the initial magnitude based on seismic wave data
→ Saturation problem occurred (M7.9)
2. Tsunami database search: based on the saturated magnitude
3. The first tsunami warning: Underestimated tsunami height

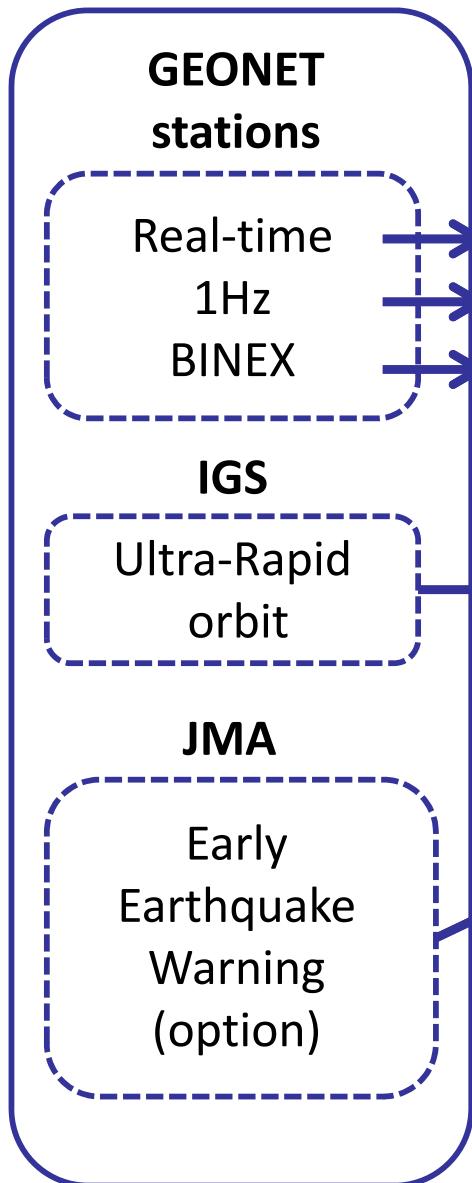


Development of the real-time analysis system of GEONET (REGARD)

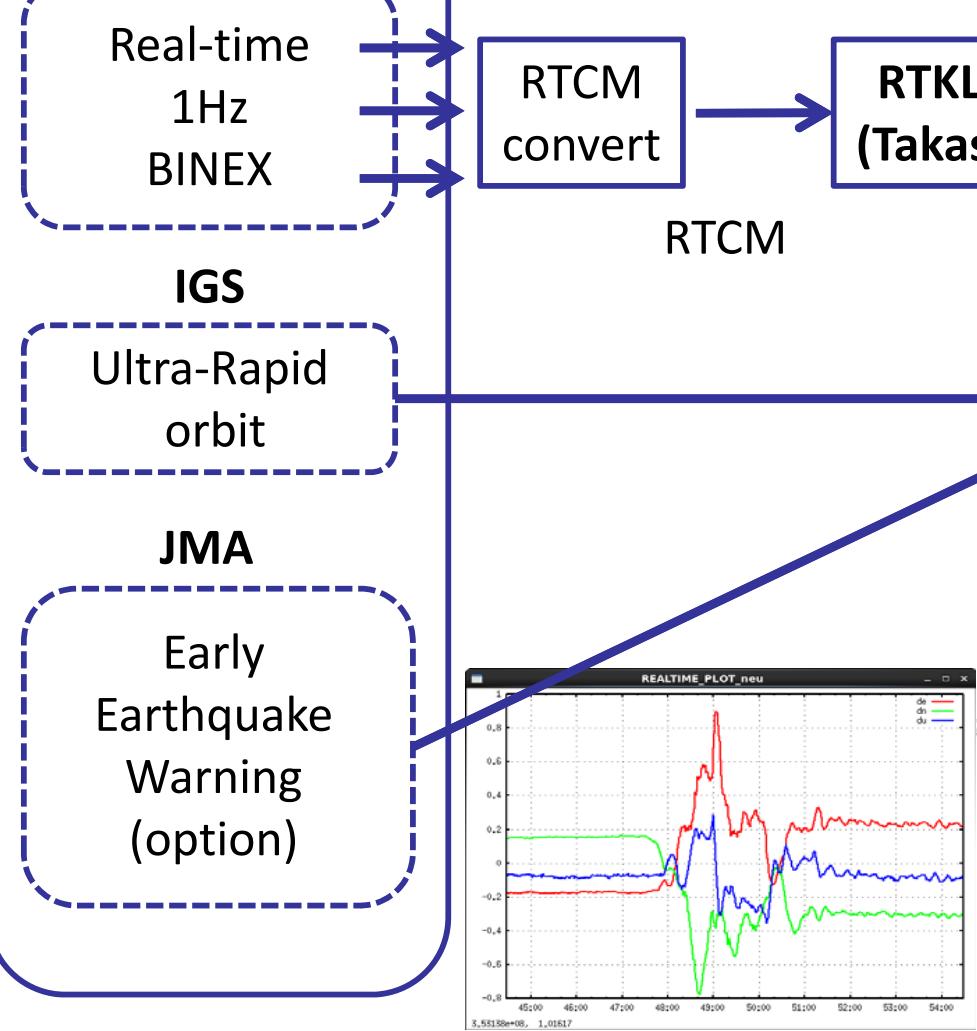
- GNSS data will never saturate for large earthquakes, should improve the tsunami warning in Japan.

Flow diagram of REGARD

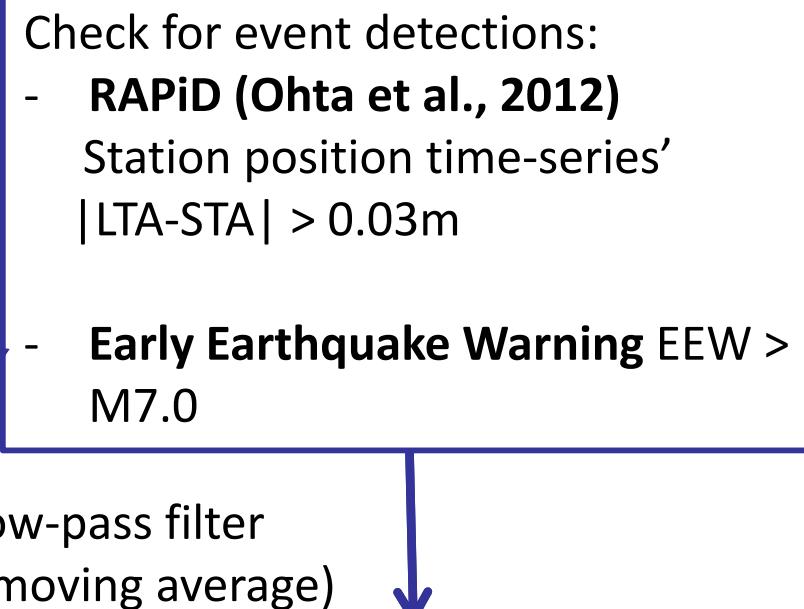
DATA



1. Real-time Positioning subsystem



2. Event detection subsystem

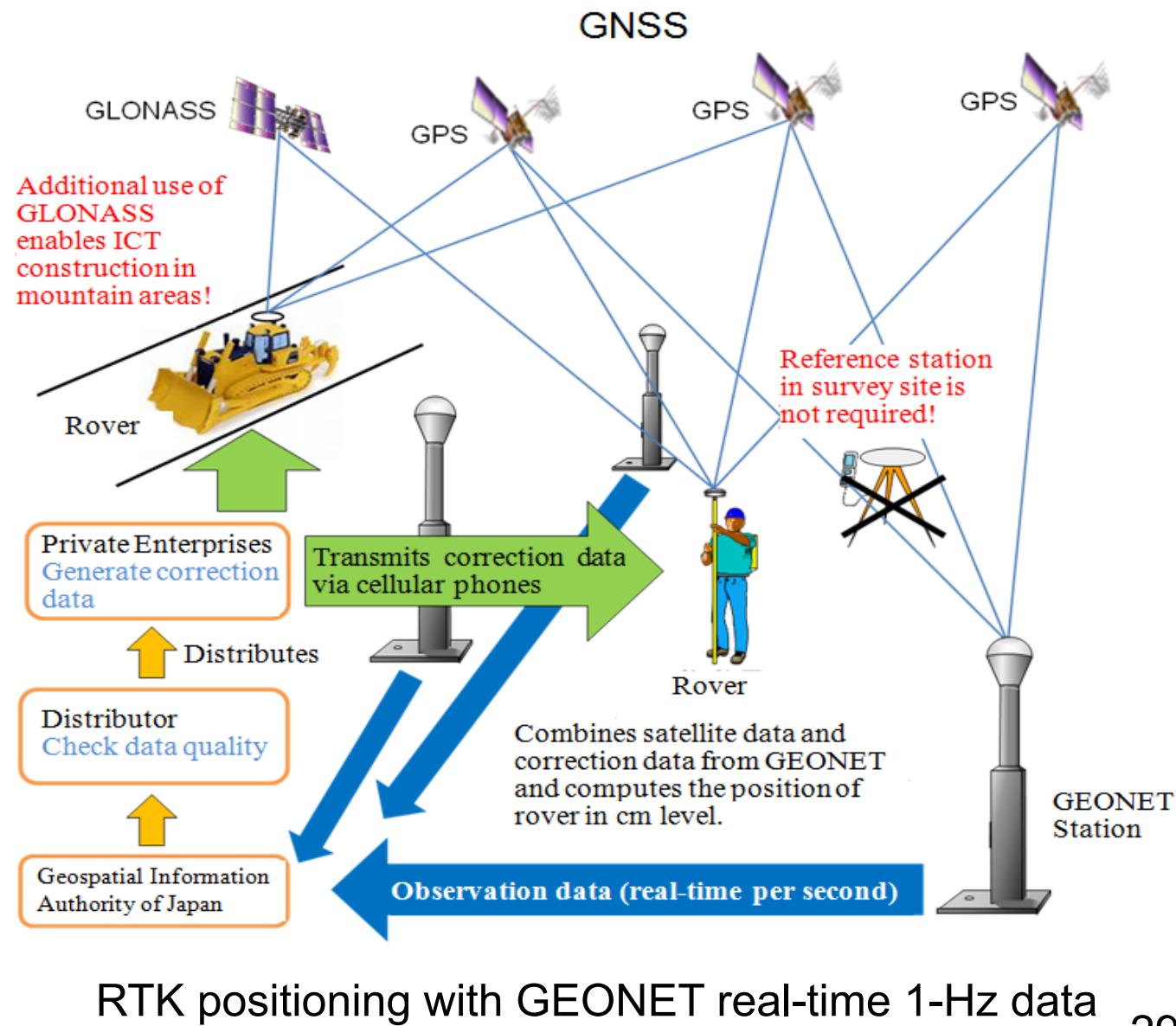


3. Fault model inversion subsystem

Automatic estimation of finite fault model

2) GNSS support for Real-time kinematic positioning (RTK)

- GEONET 1 Hz data are provided to real-time users by private sector
- Widely used in RTK positioning for
 - public surveys
 - aerial photogrammetry
 - mobile Mapping
 - ICT construction
- GLONASS and QZSS data are available from May 10, 2013 in addition to GPS



RTK positioning with GEONET real-time 1-Hz data

ICT construction with GPS+GLONASS

Geospatial Information Authority of Japan (GSI)

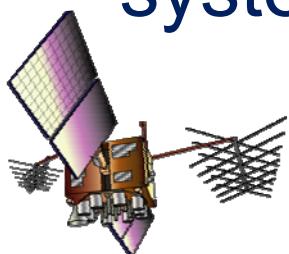
RTK positioning in Tohoku area



Source: http://www.jenoba.jp/case/case_h04_satoukoumu.html

GEONET today

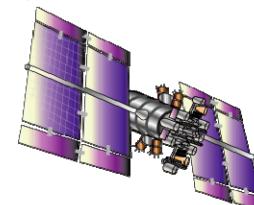
- ~ 1,300 stations with 20km spacing
- 72 hour backup battery
- IP-VPN + backup mobile line (packet communication)
- Modernized for GNSS at all stations !
 - Ready for GPS, QZSS, GLONASS, and Galileo
 - Trimble NetR9 / Topcon NET-G3 (5) and their antennas
- Real-time data delay ~ 0.2 sec
- Growing needs in ICT construction, mobile mapping system, aerial photogrammetry, etc.



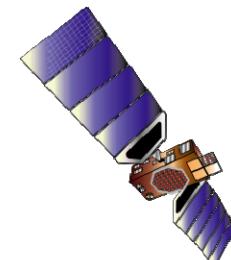
GPS (US)



QZSS (Japan)



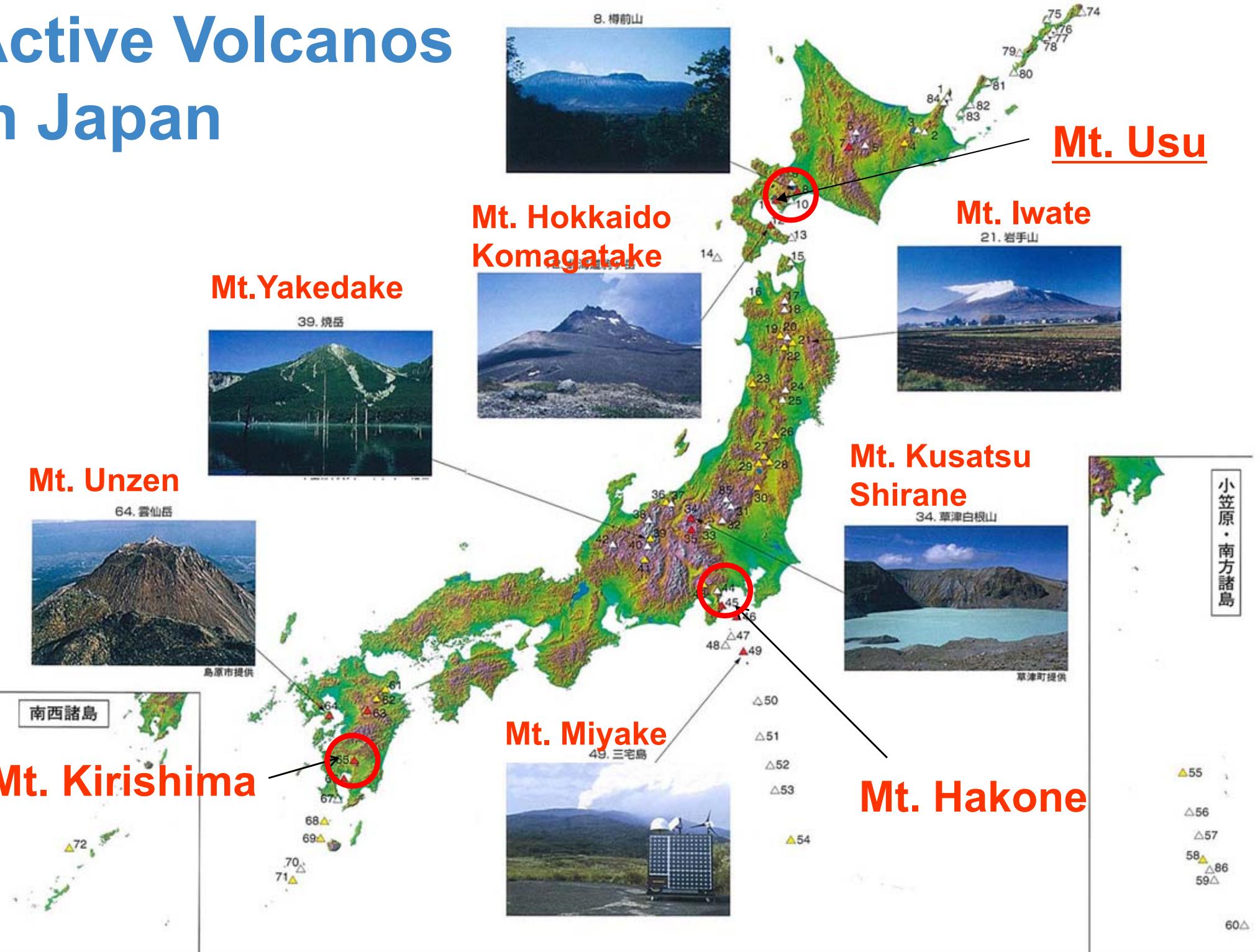
GLONASS (Russia)



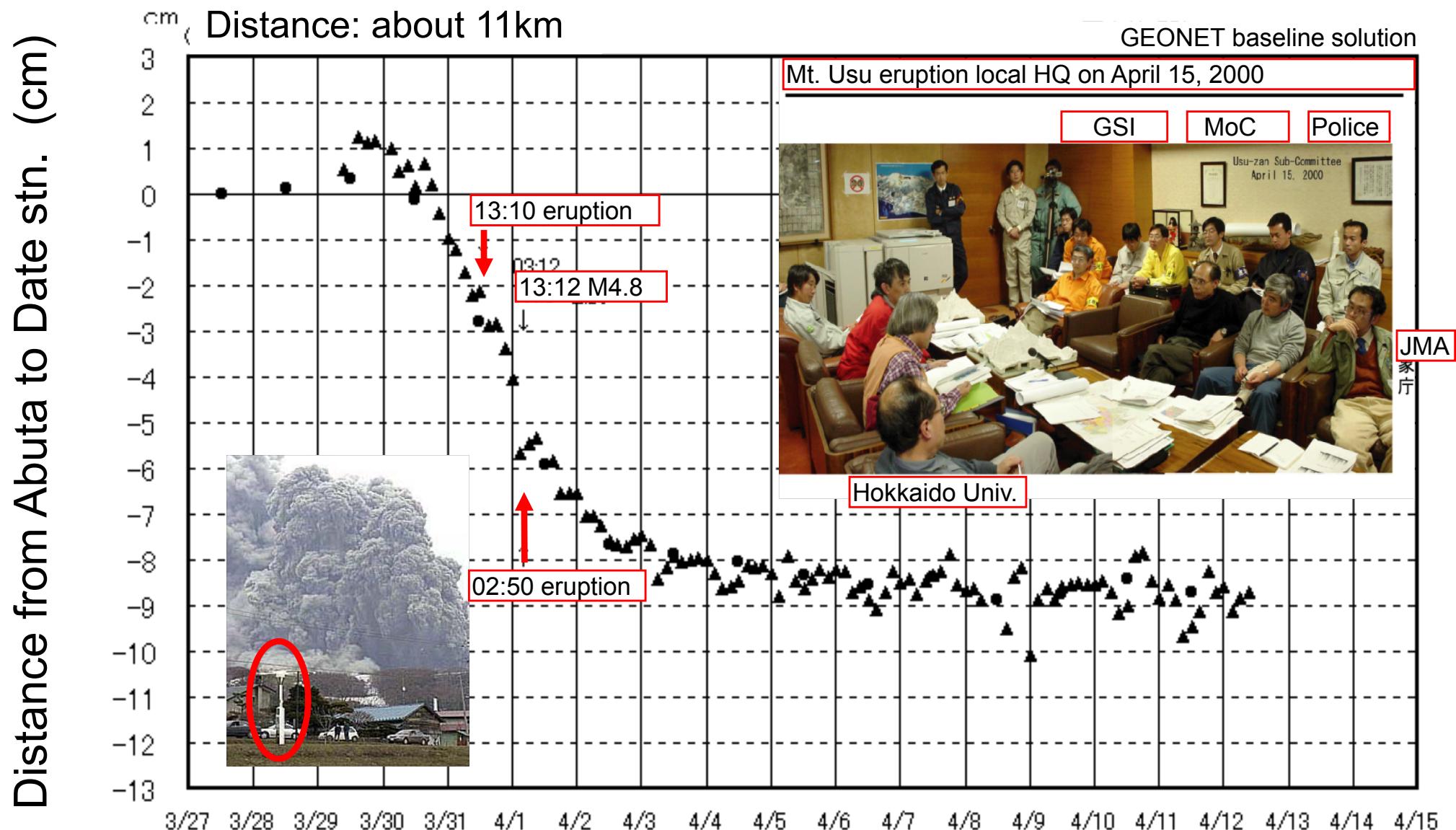
Galileo (EU)

Case 2 : Volcanic Activities

Active Volcanos in Japan



Detecting magma movement before Mt.Usu eruption in 2000



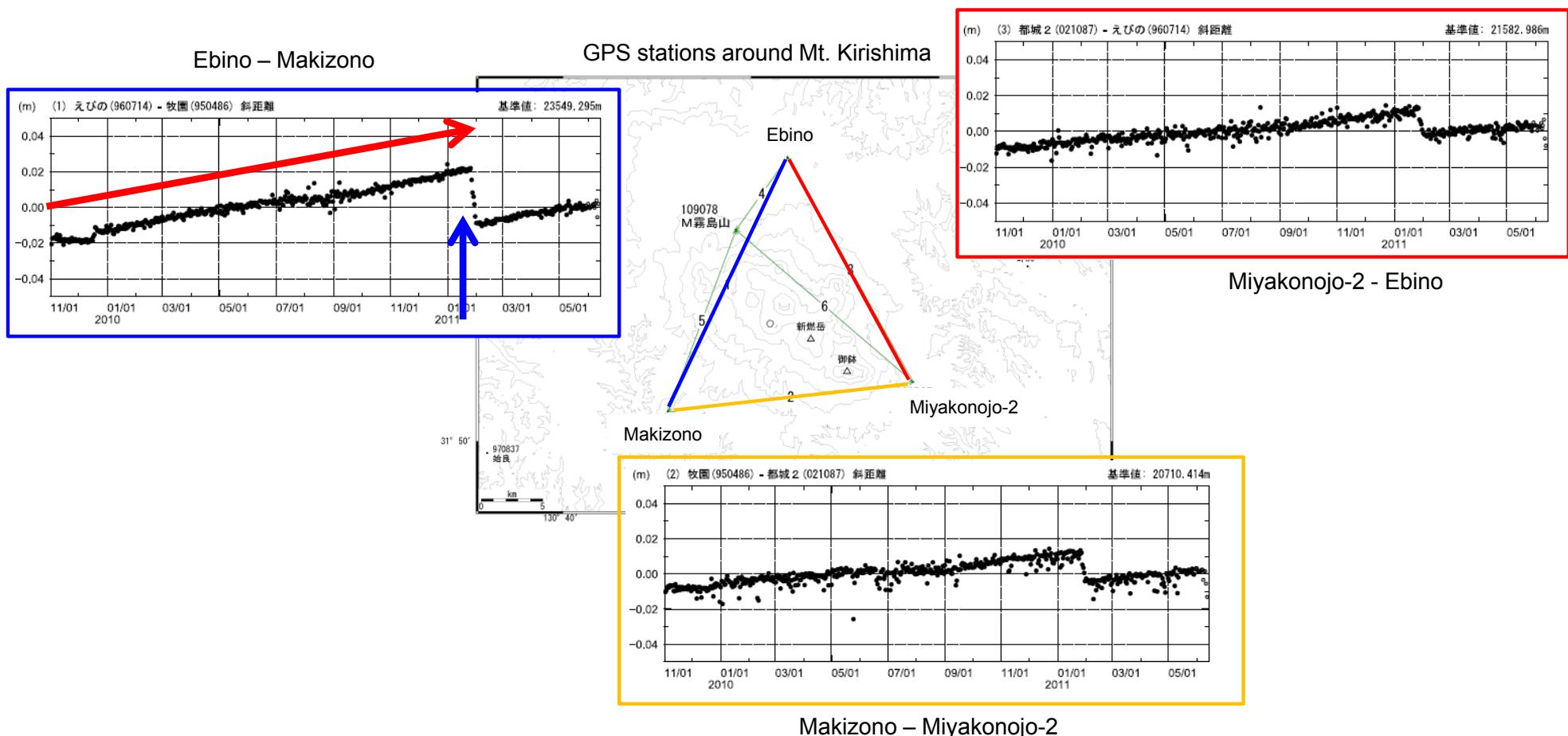
Mt. Kirishima eruption in 2011



2011. 2. 7 11 : 45

Mt. Kirishima eruption in 2011

1. Distance increased gradually before eruption
2. After eruption distance decreased

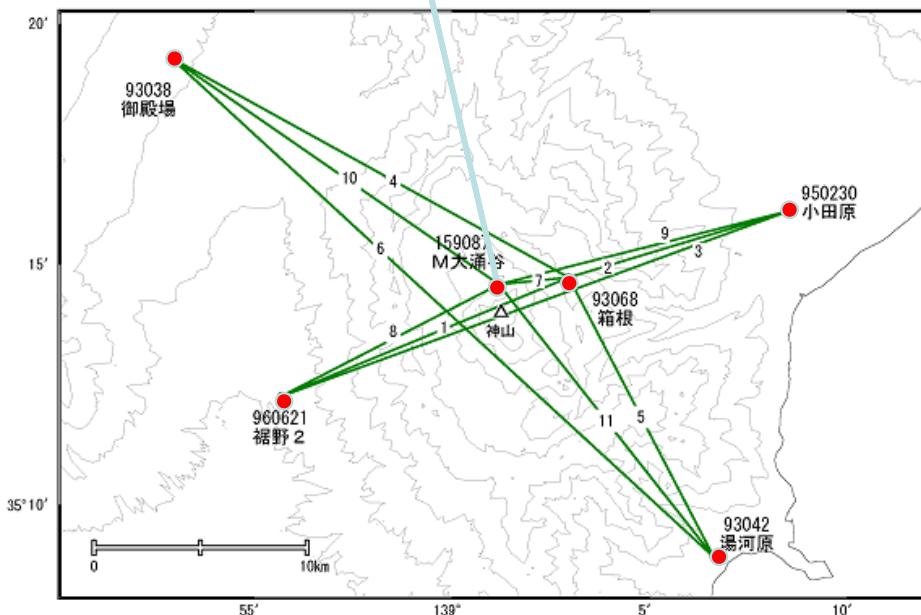


Mt. Hakone eruption in 2015

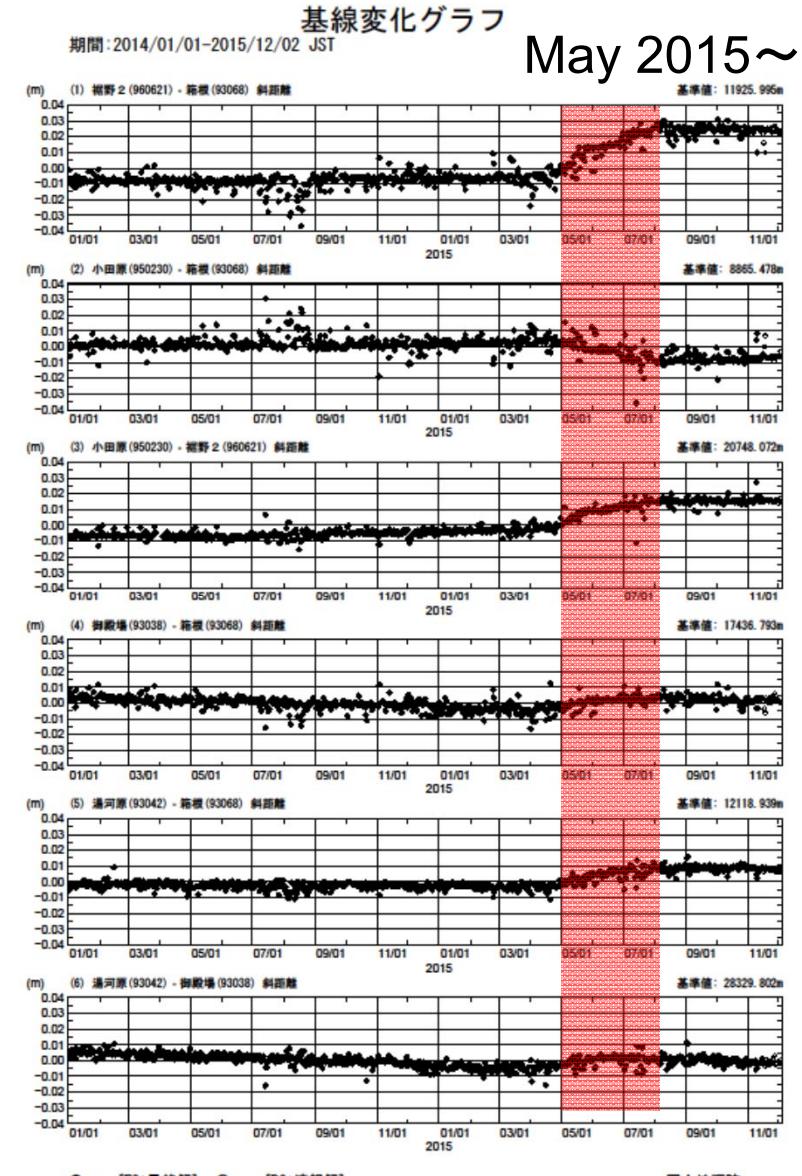
- GEONET+REGMOS (Remote GNSS Monitoring System)



May 8, 2015

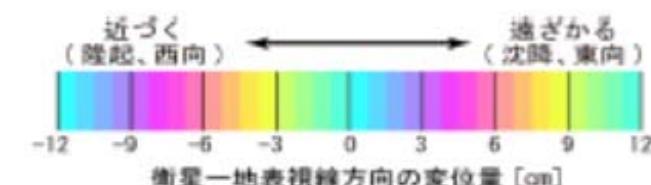
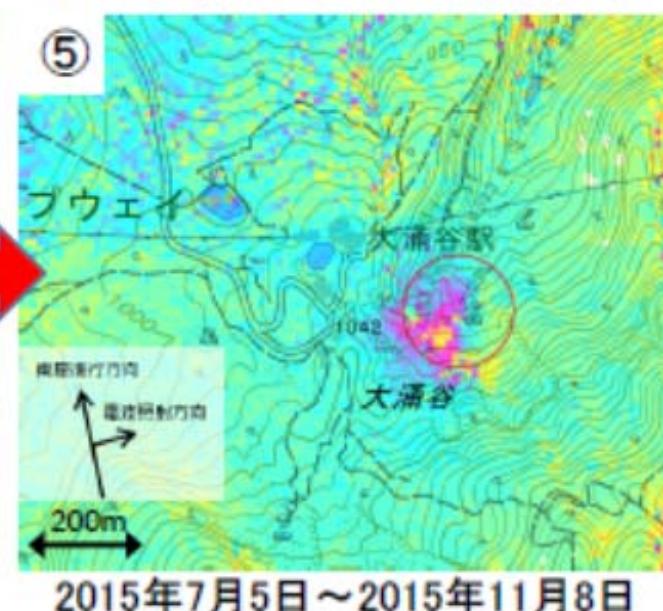
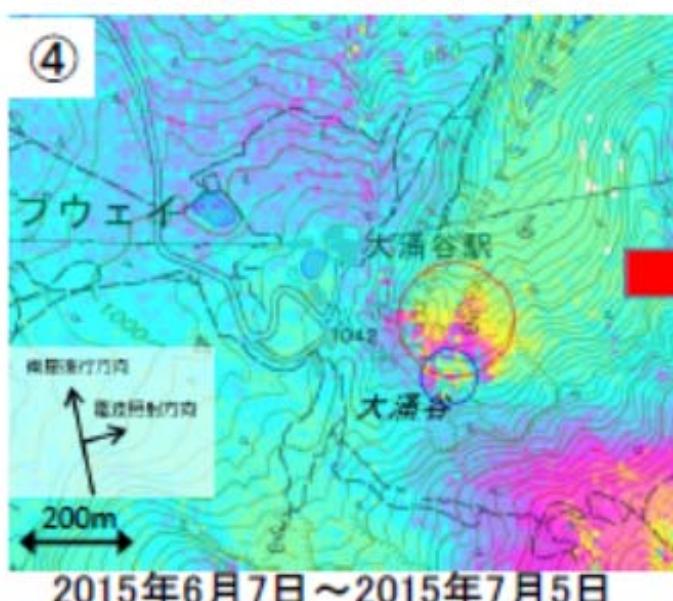
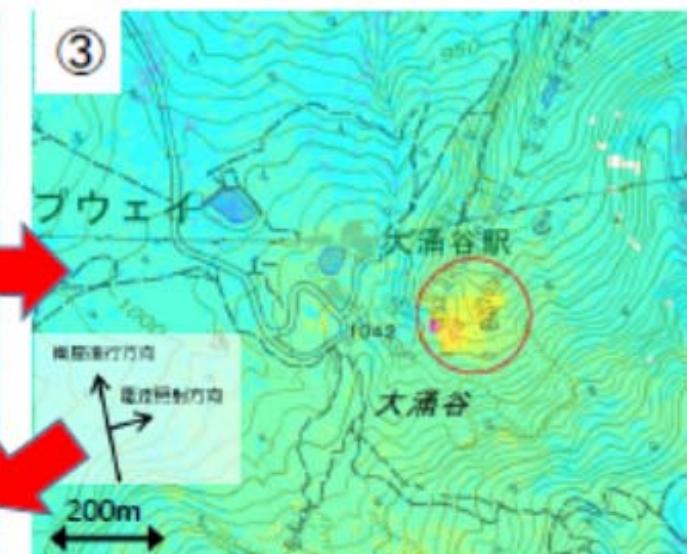
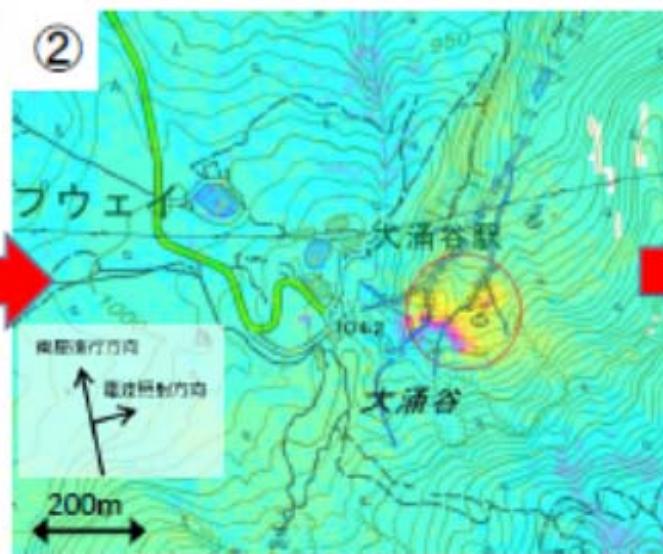
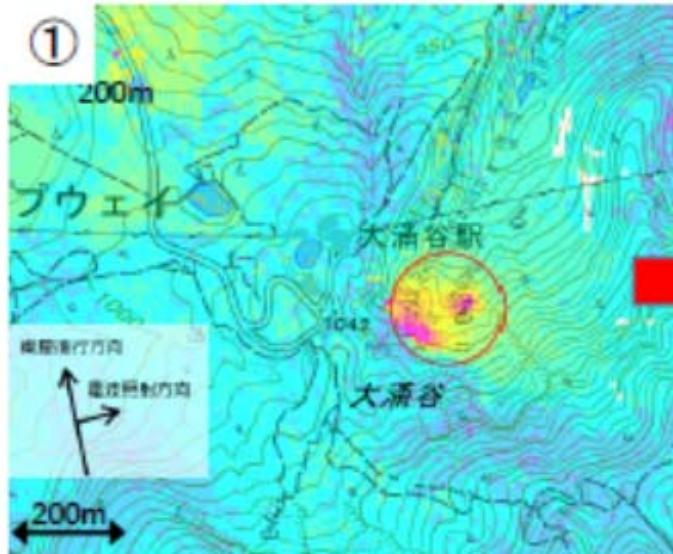


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Mt. Hakone eruption in 2015

- Interferometric SAR using ALOS-2 of JAXA



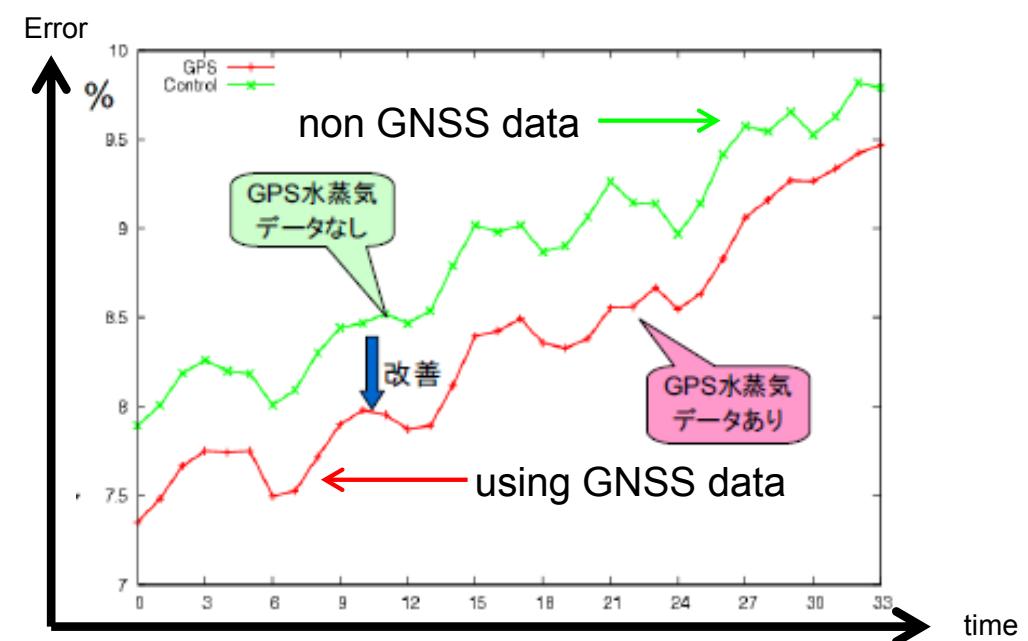
観測データは、火山噴火予知連絡会衛星解析グループを通して、JAXAから提供されたものです。
原初データ ©JAXA

<http://www.gsi.go.jp/common/000109156.pdf>

Case 3 : Rain Fall Prediction

GPS meteorology

- Watervapor in the atmosphere delays GNSS signals.
- Using GNSS signals in turn, we can estimate zenith tropospheric delays, which can be used for data assimilation of numerical weather prediction.
- After joint study on GPS meteorology with GSI, JMA introduced GPS precipitable water from 2009 for their routine analysis.
- This is effective to the prediction of torrential rains.

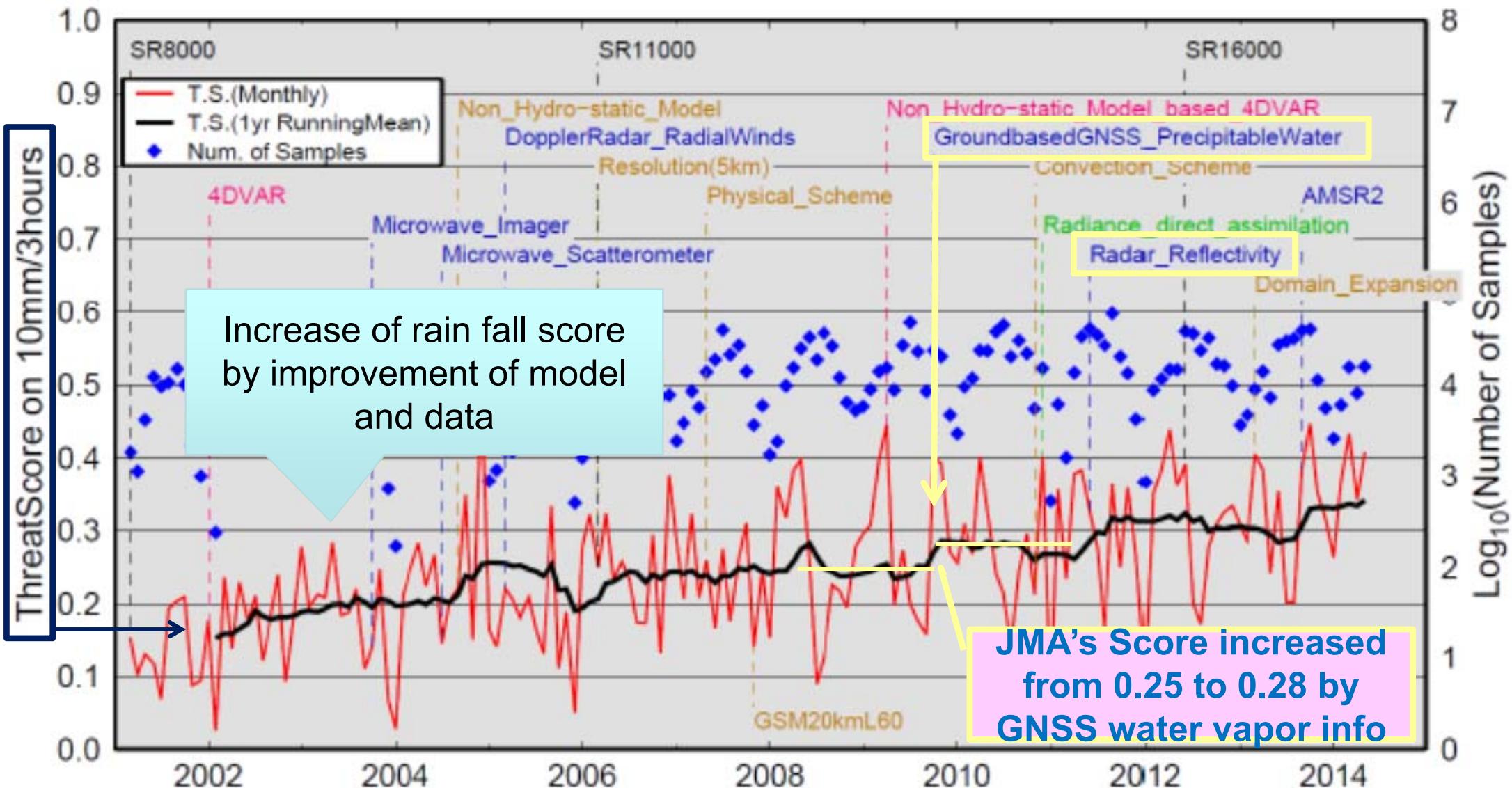


Predict error of humidity decrease
(Meso Scale Model)

Score of JMA rain fall prediction

—:HPC_upgra

雨量予報の検証結果(20-km格子、閾値10mm/3h、T+0h～T+15hの平均)



Source: Masashi Nagata, 2015

http://www2.jgu.org/meeting/2015/session /PDF/U-07/U07-07_E.pdf

UAV in action at flooded areas

- Due to the Kanto and Tohoku heavy rain fall on September 10, 2015, “Kinugawa river” was flooded.
- Being quite near to GSI’s HQ in Tsukuba, a UAV team was sent there on the same day.
- UAV shoots flooded area from 10m height.
 - Youtube (search with “kinugawa” and “uav”)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFtpyGXyDFg&feature=youtu.be>

Conclusions

- GSI has been operating GEONET in Japan for the past two decades
 - to establish a regional reference frame consistent with the Global Geodetic Reference Frame (GGRF), and
 - to monitor crustal deformations associated with EQ and volcanic activities for disaster mitigations.
- We can not stop natural hazards, but can mitigate disasters by making full and smart use of Geospatial Information.

Appendix: Open source GNSS analysis software: GSILIB

- GSI developed GNSS analysis software named **GSILIB** (GNSS Surveying Implementation Library) to support multi-GNSS surveys, based on RTKLIB (Takasu,T., 2011, [http://www.rtklib.com/ rtklib.htm](http://www.rtklib.com/))
- GSILIB enables the correction of several biases of multi-GNSS receivers (i.e. L2C quarter-cycle bias, Inter Frequency Bias, and Inter System Bias) for using single/double differences between GPS and other GNSS.
- Please visit our web site at <http://datahouse1.gsi.go.jp/gsilib/gsilib.html>.