



Importance of thinking worst case scenario in the climate impact assessment on disaster environment

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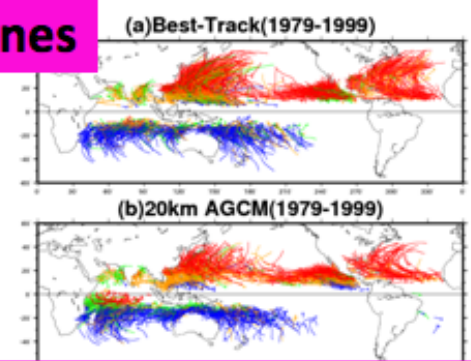
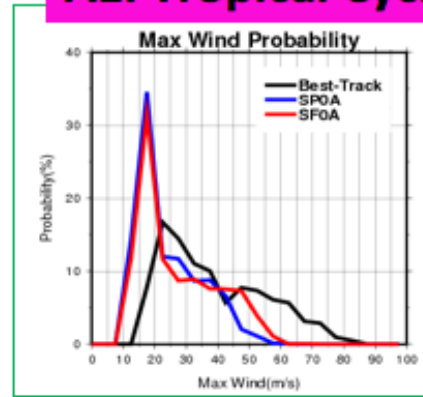


Projection of the Change in Weather Extremes Using Super-High-Resolution Atmospheric Models in the KAKUSHIN Program

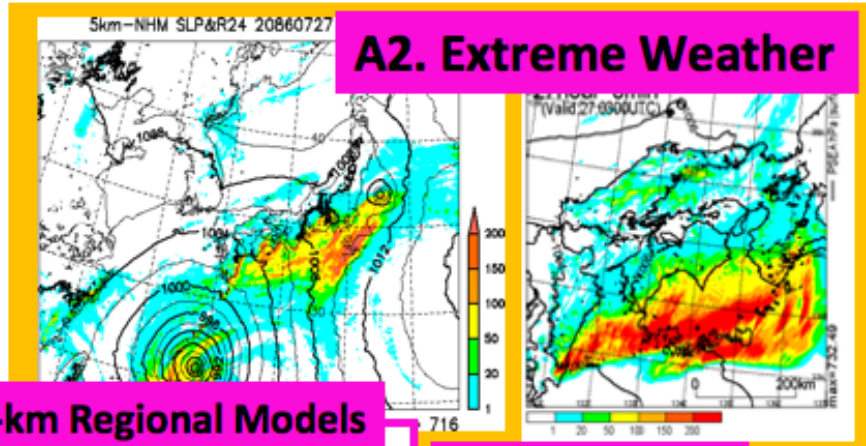


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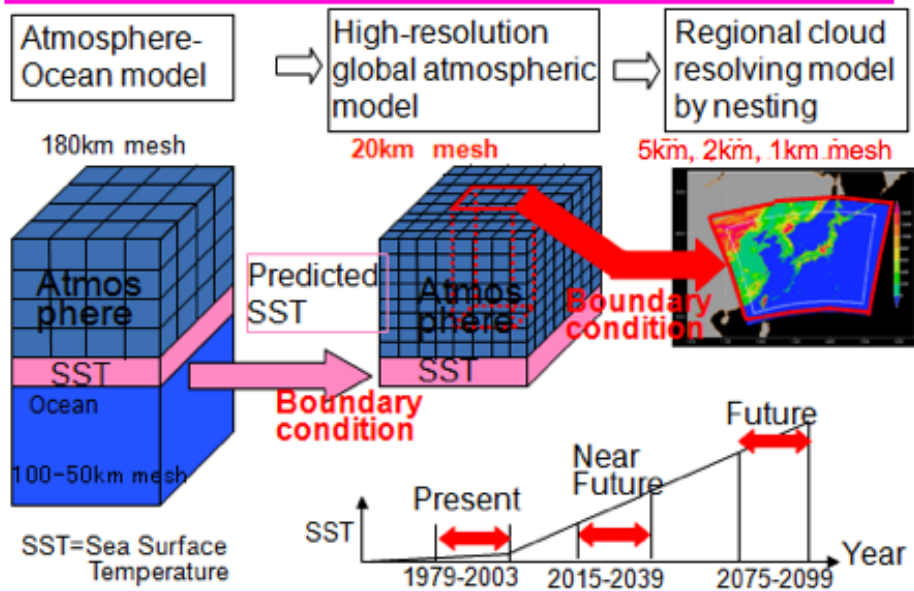
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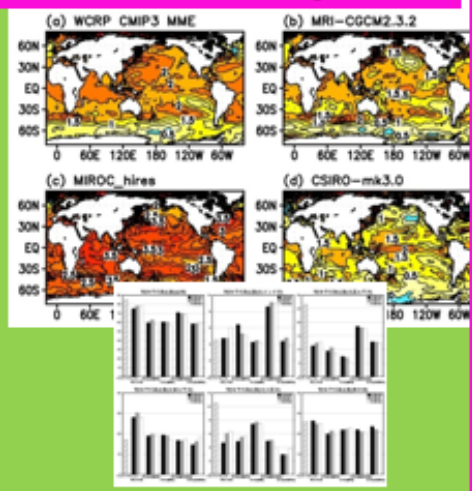
A2. Extreme Weather



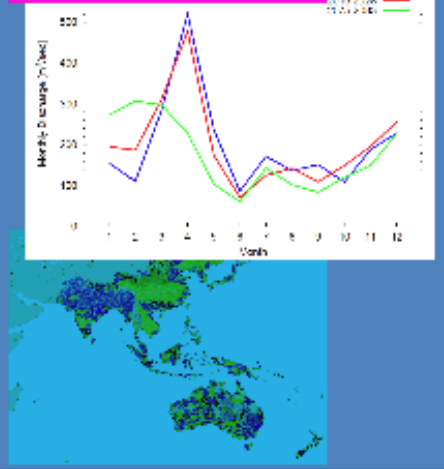
20km Global and 1-, 2- & 5-km Regional Models



B. Uncertainty



C. Flood & Disasters



Points in climate change assessment on Japanese hazard

- There are various types of hazards that bring disasters.
- Spacio-temporal information with high resolution is required for representing reasonable extreme river discharge in Japan.

Minimum Target of DPRI

- **Precipitation (Monsoon Asia)**
- **Land slide and Debris flow**
Mainly western Japan
- **River discharge**
Japanese major large river basins (with fine resolution)
All Japanese river basins (with medium resolution)
- **Storm surge and wave**
Tokyo, Ise (Nagaya) and Osaka Bays, Global
- **Damage by strong wind**
Whole Japanese archipelago
- **Inundation**
Some major cities



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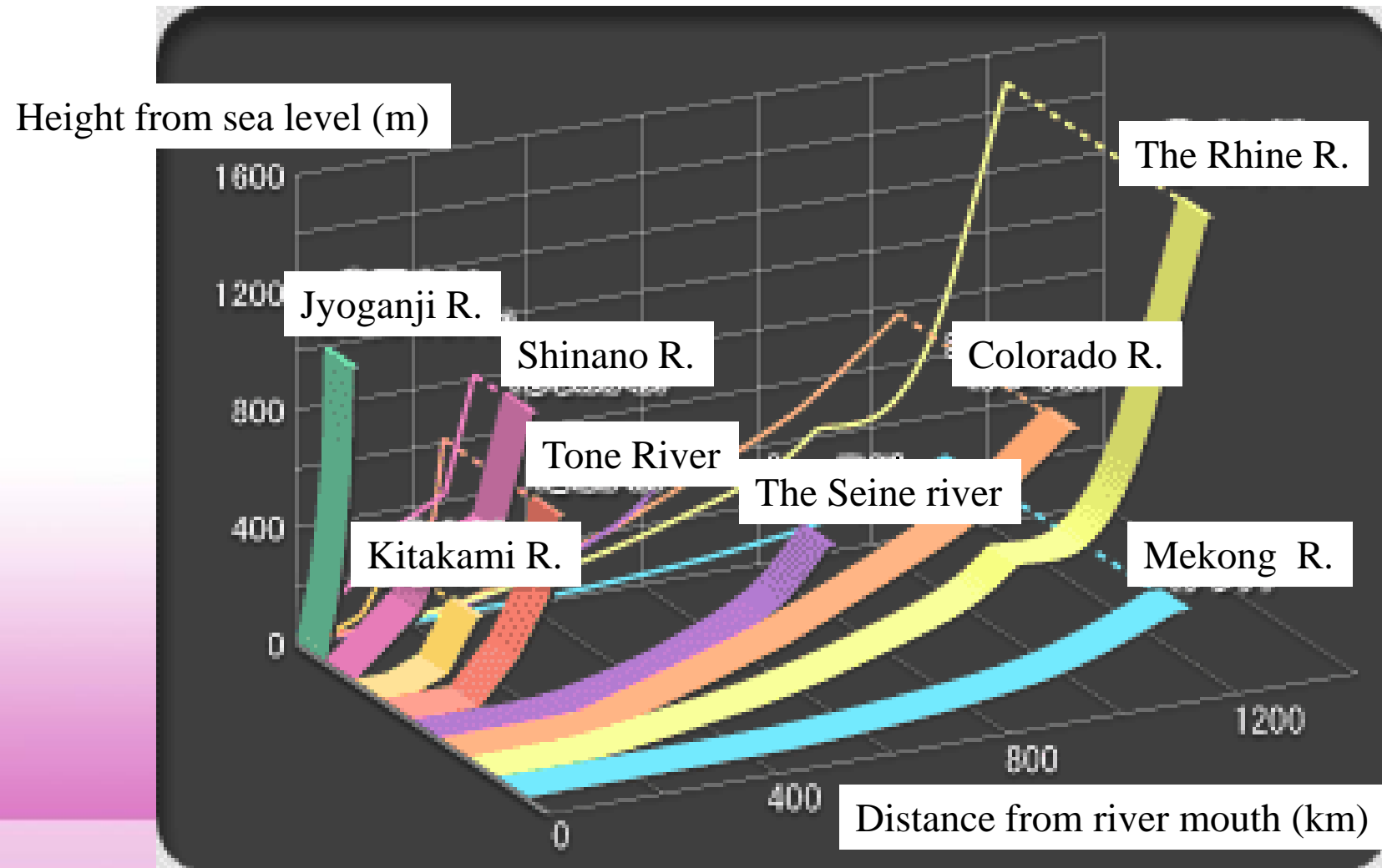
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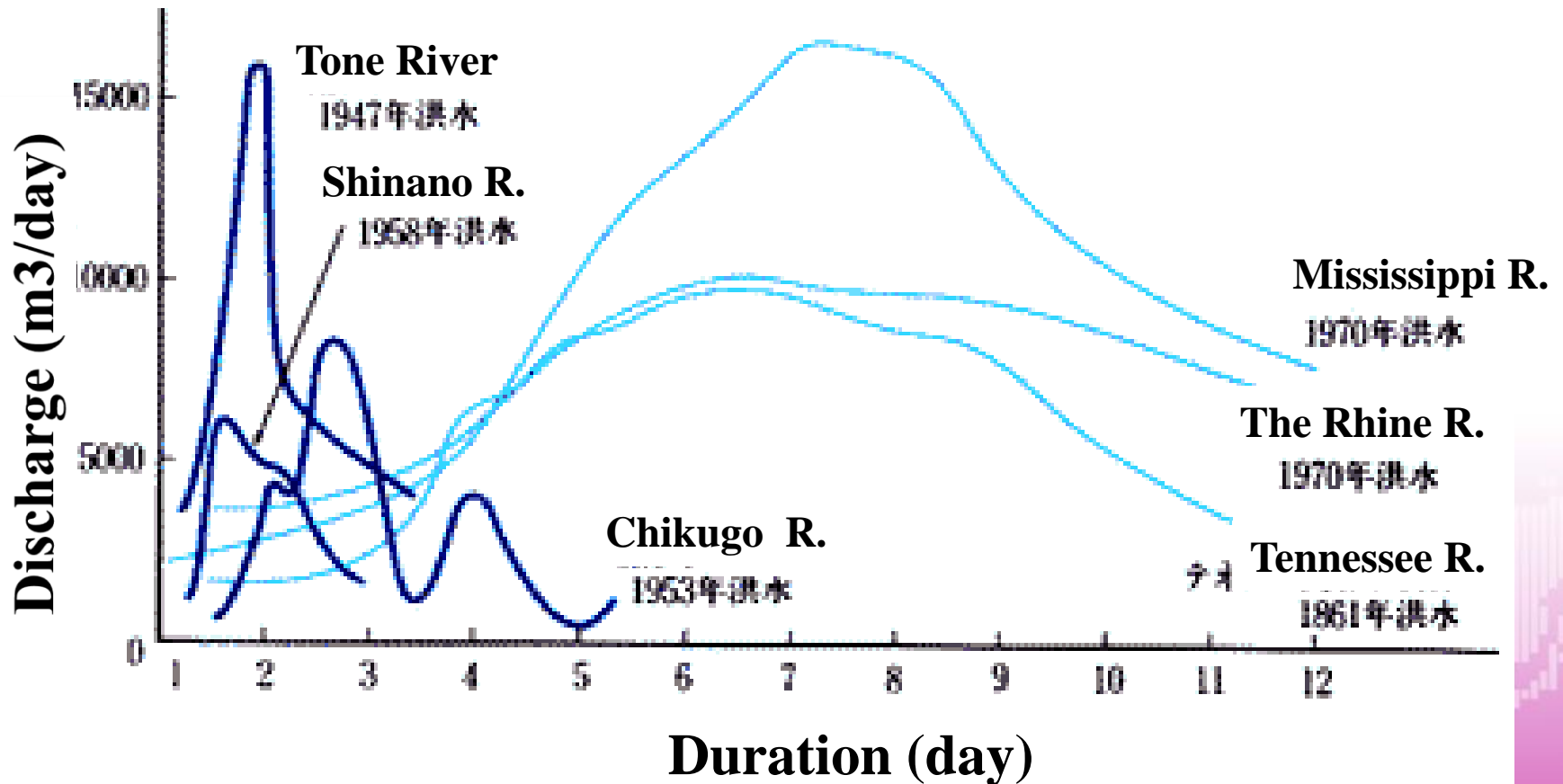
Features of Japanese River(1)

- Short length and steep slope.

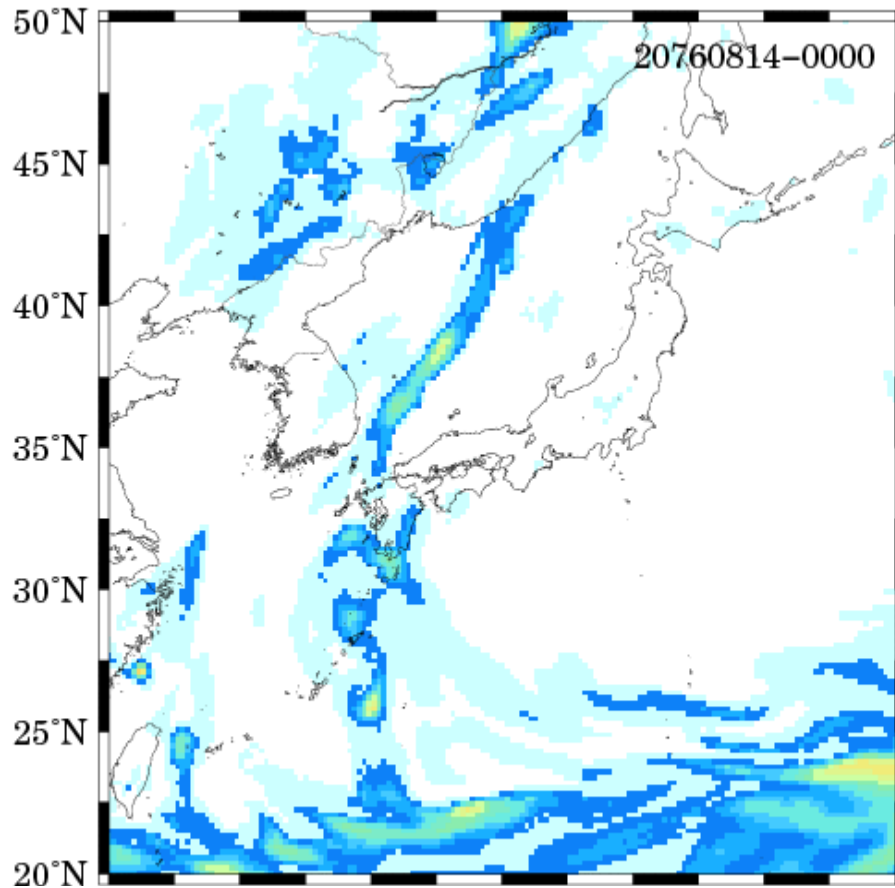


Features of Japanese River(2)

- Large peak discharge, short duration

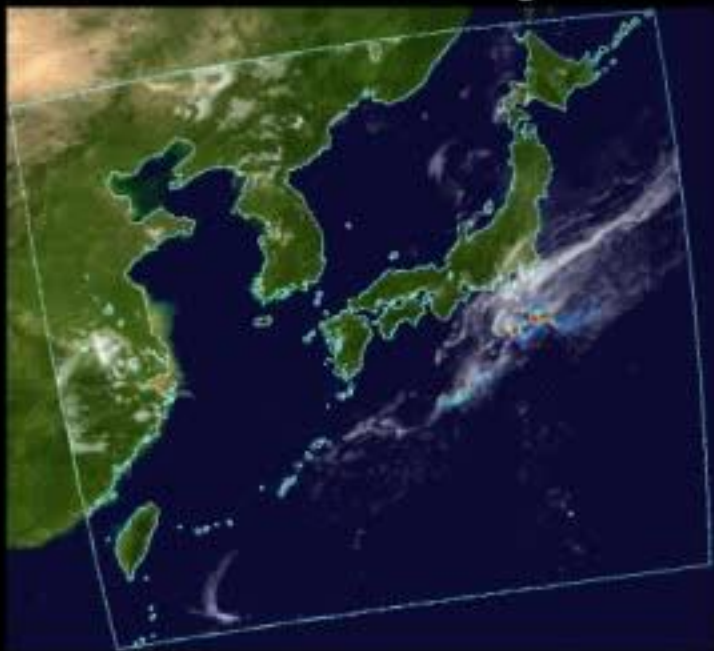


Projected typhoon by GCM20



It is the typhoon resolving output from GCM20 that has realized the impact assessment on Japanese river regime

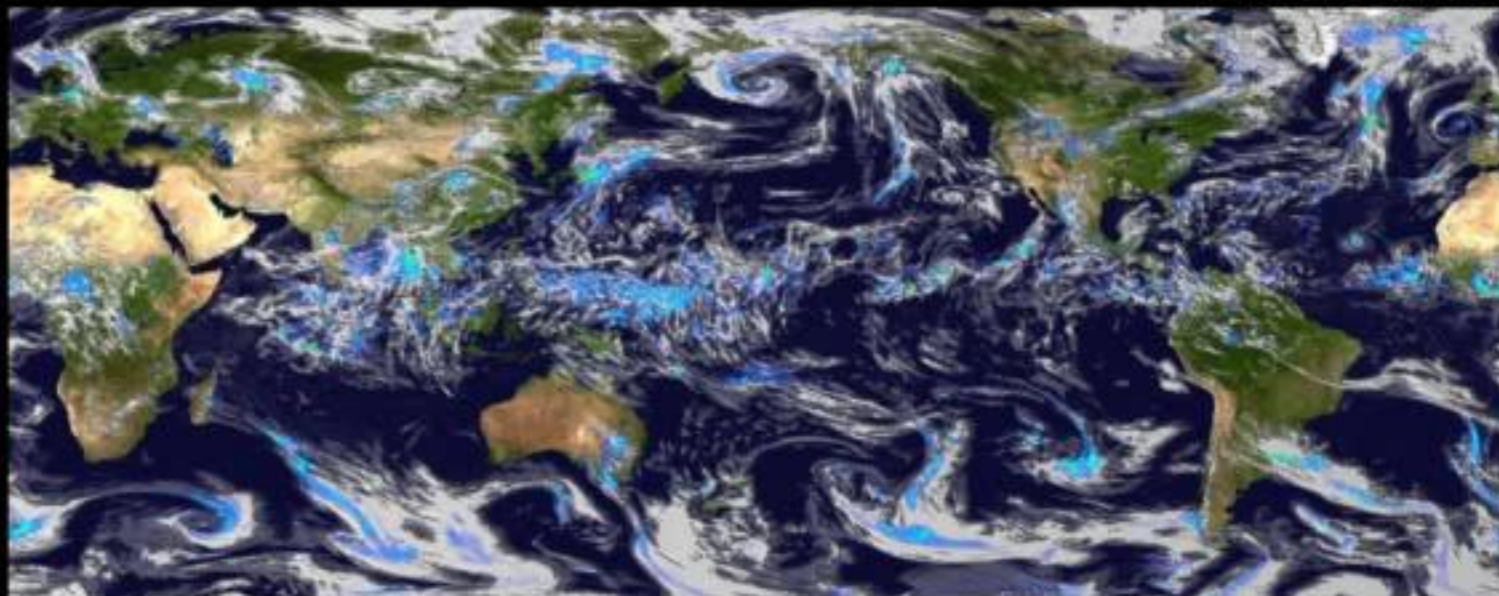
5km Regional Model



2km Regional Model

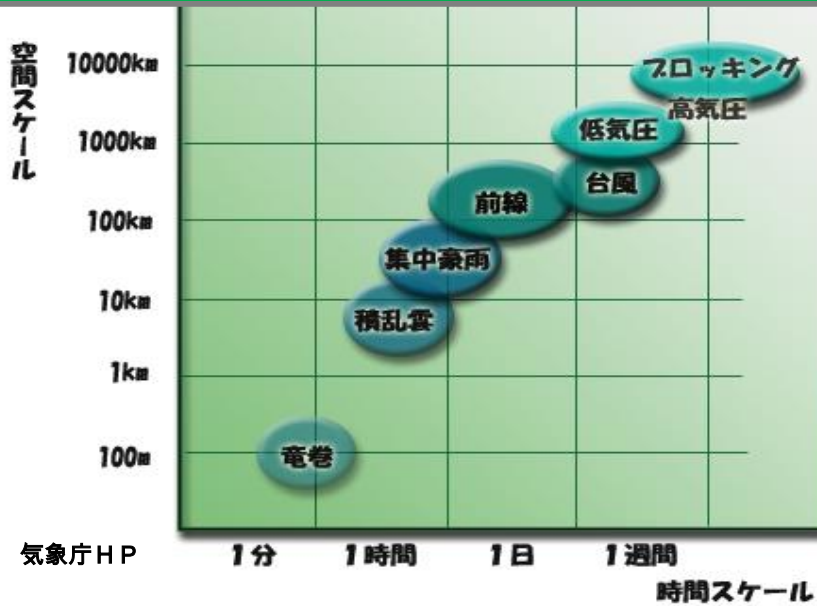


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20 km Global Model

Spacio-temporal scale



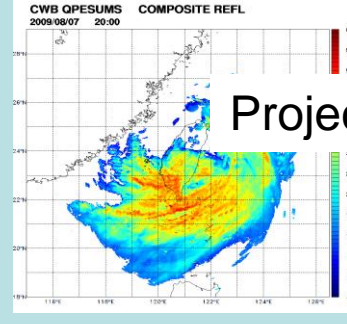
気象庁HP

Typhoon

Range : 1000km

Duration : 1 day to a few days

大河川での洪水、大規模水害、土砂災害
2009/08/08 in台湾



Projected by AGCM20



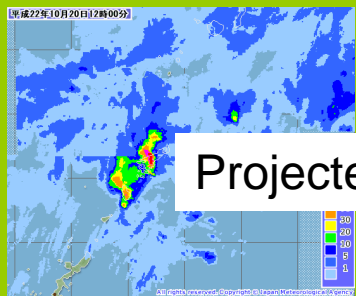
台湾中央気象局、台湾国家災害防救科技中心

Localized heavy rainfall (Baiu season)

Range : 100km

Duration : 6 hours to half a day

中・小河川での洪水、内水氾濫、土砂災害
2010/10/20 in奄美



Projected by RCM



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Shower

Range : 10 km

Duration : about half an hour

小河川や下水道内での鉄砲水、都市内水氾濫
2008/07/28 at都賀川 2008/08/05 at雑司ヶ谷



都賀川モニタリング映像



共同通信

Impossible?

Prediction and evaluation of disaster environment in Japan

DPRI / Kyoto-Univ.

Slope Mountains River Habitable Area Coastal Area

Output from GCM and RCM

Hourly precipitation, temperature, water vapor, wind velocity, radiation and air pressure
(25-years time series (20km) and ensemble predictions (60km) for current, near future and century end)

Regional climate model (RCM_5km, RCM_2km, RCM_1km)

Interpretation of output

Surface hydrological model

Stochastic typhoon model

Probability density function of extreme value (depending on spacio-temporal scales)
Stochastic precipitation model (time series depending on spacio-temporal scales)

Various Models (with long-term run)

Soil production

Reservoir operation

Soil runoff

Rainfall runoff

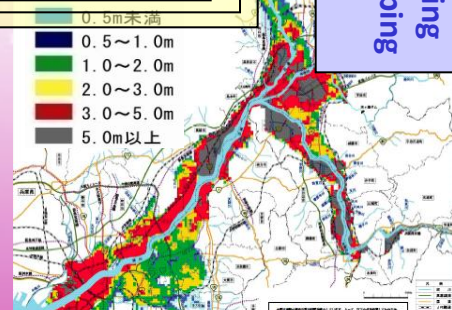
Sedimentation and transportation of soil

River channel flow

Inundation including underground shopping mole

Building damage by strong wind

Storm surge



Evaluation

Decreasing of safety against landslide, debris flow, flood, draught, storm surge and strong wind .
Assessment of current protection system and proposal of alternatives

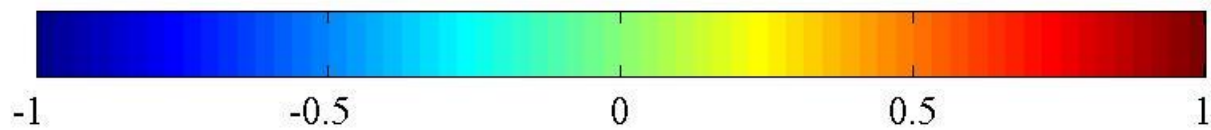
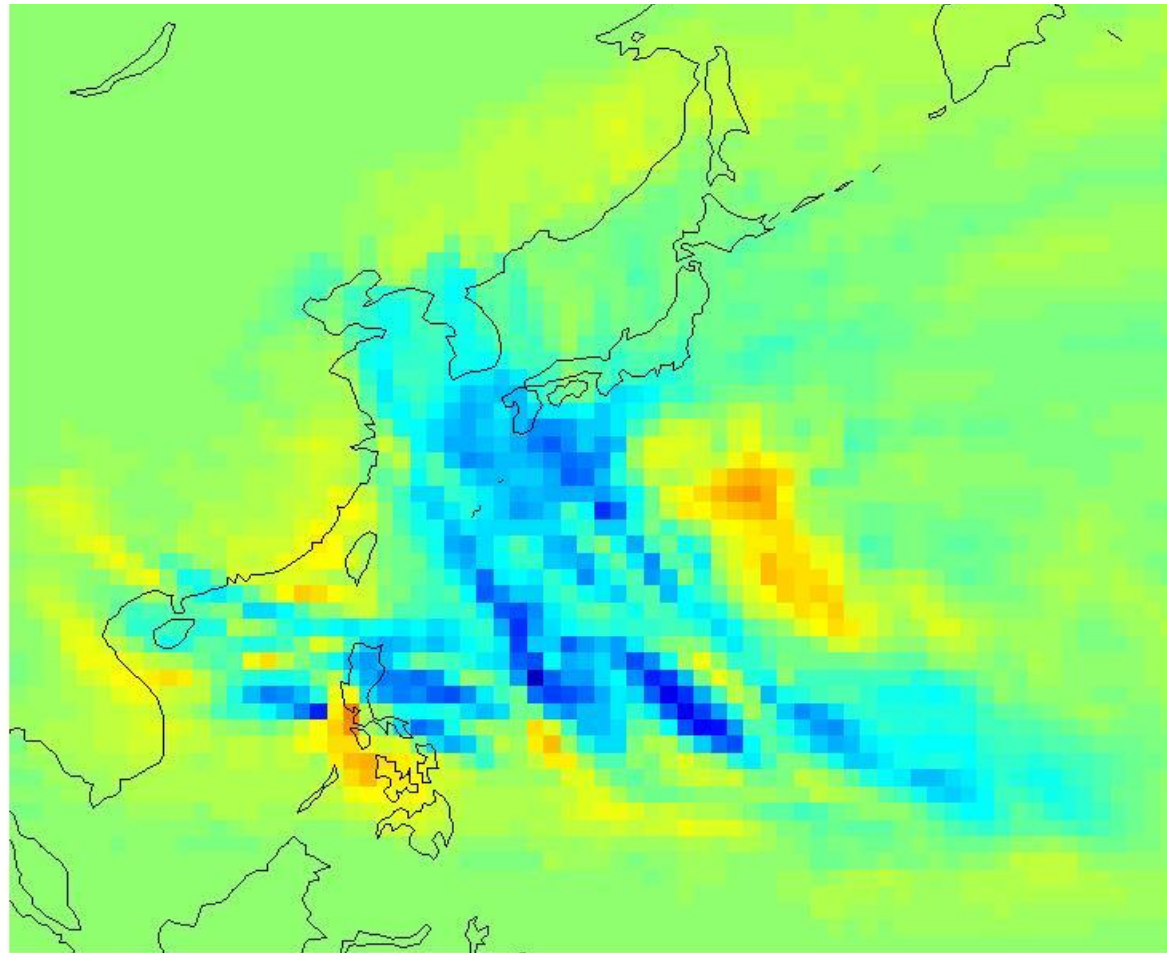


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Stochastic typhoon model

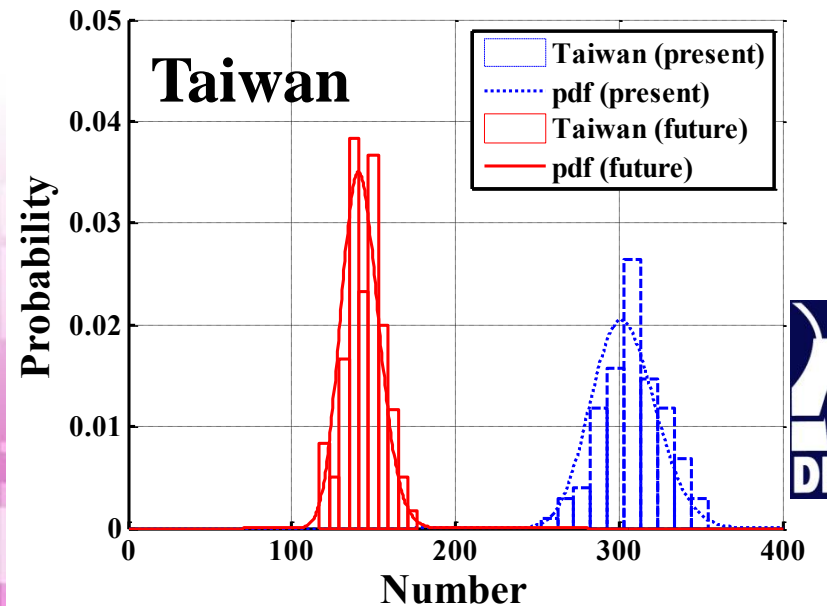
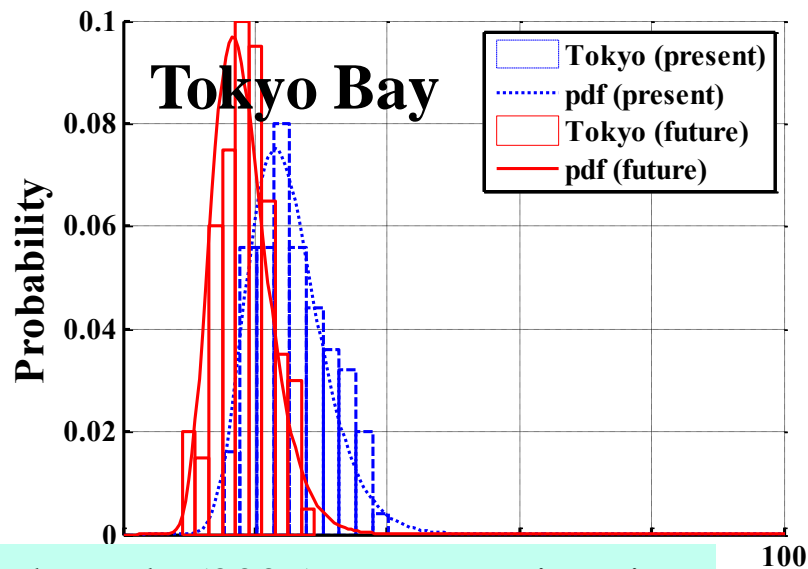
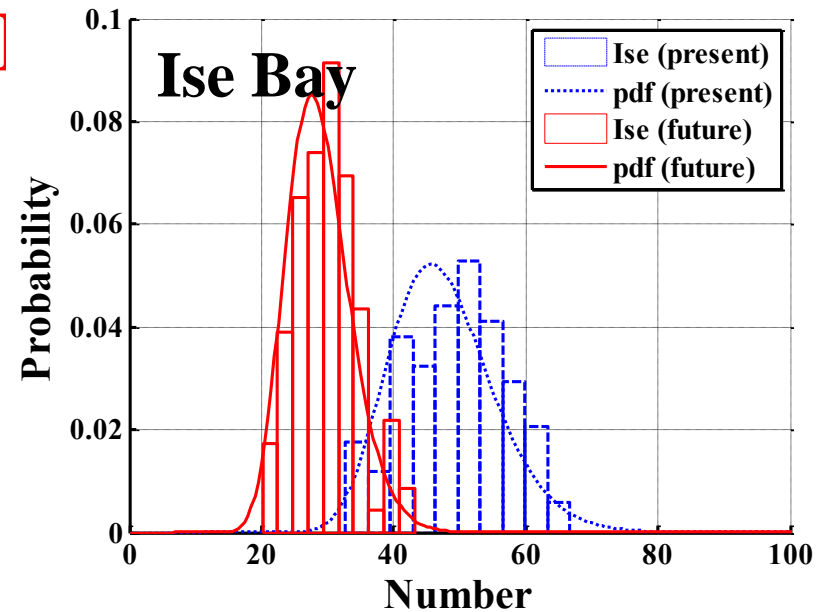
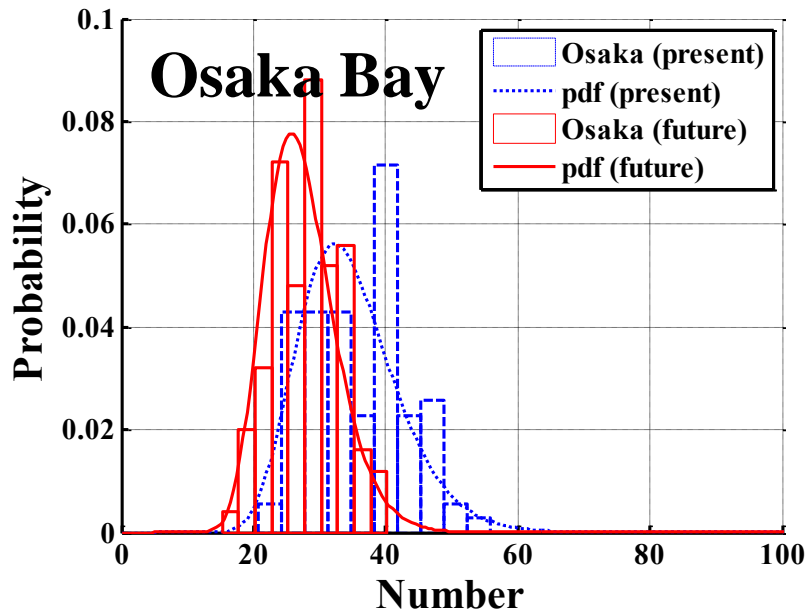


Typhoon Numbers/yr: Present - Future

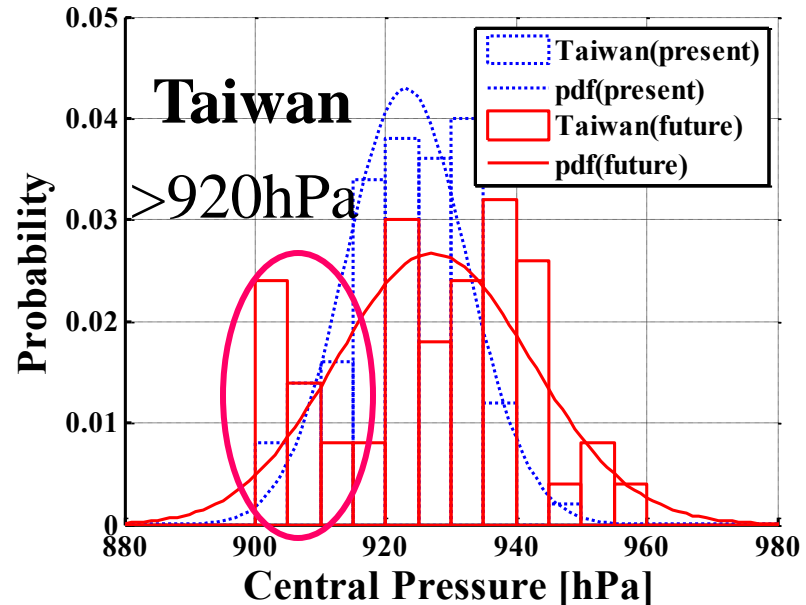
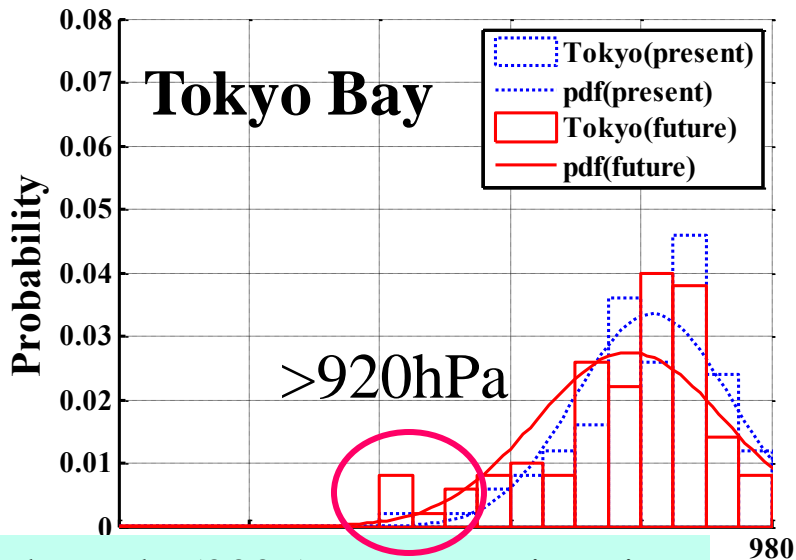
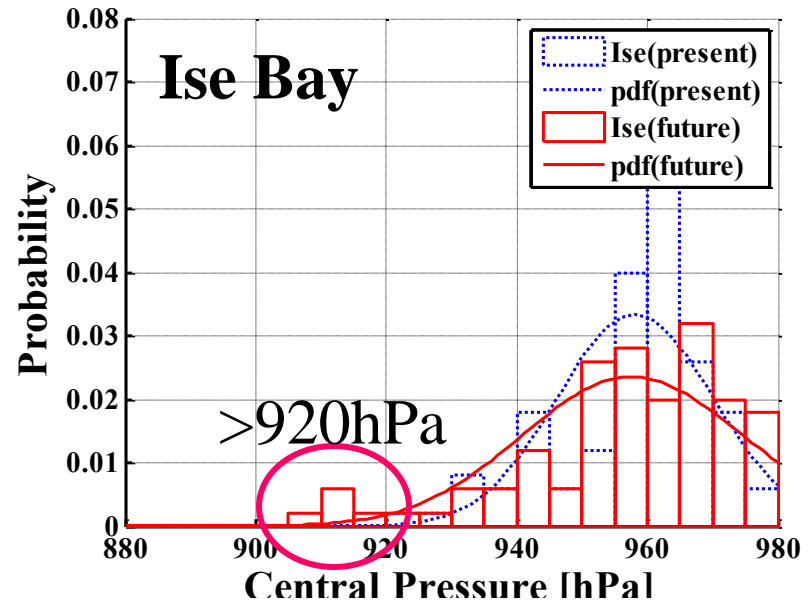
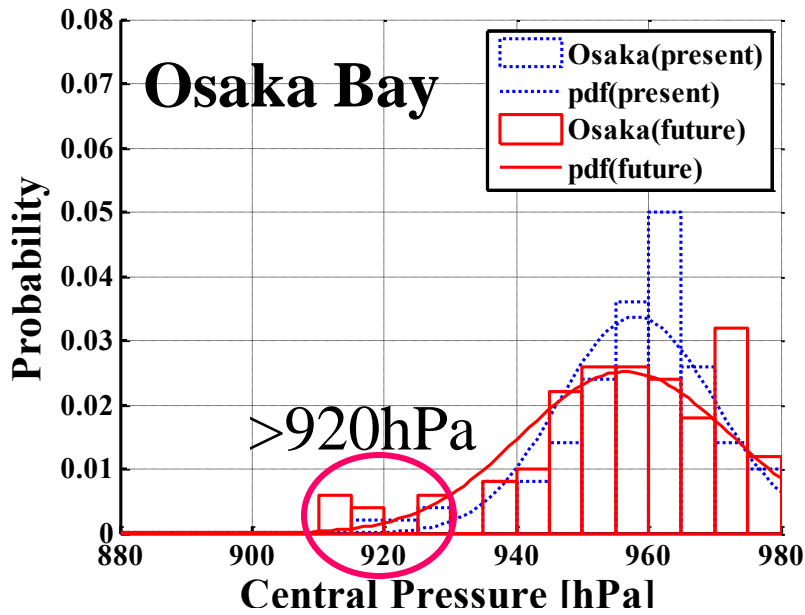
Yasuda et al (2009)



Probability of typhoon attack for 100yrs

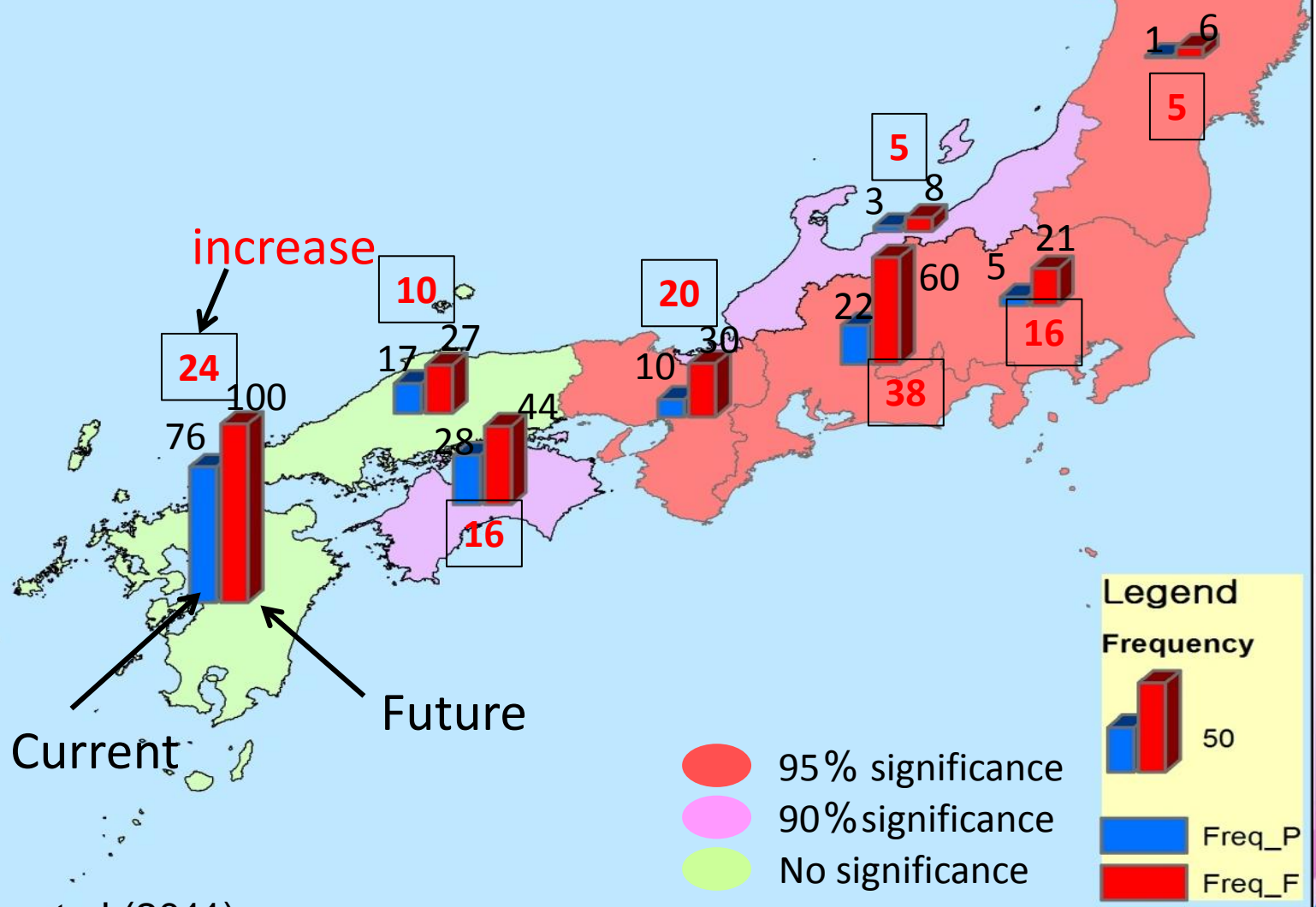


Probability of center pressure for 100yrs



Increase in Number of localized heavy rainfall during Baiu season in 25 years

Larger Increase in western Japan



Legend

Frequency

50

Freq_P

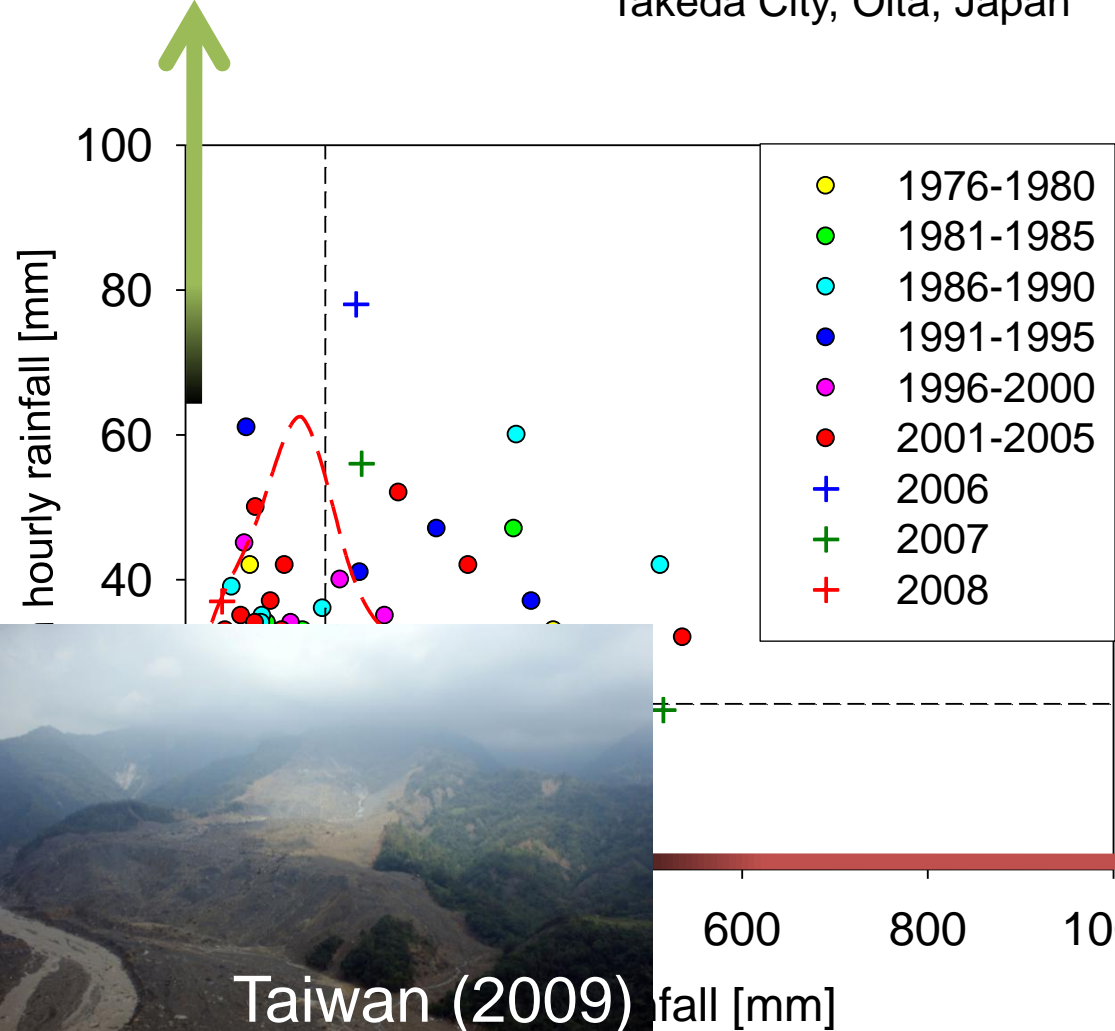
Freq_F

Impact Assessment on Land slides

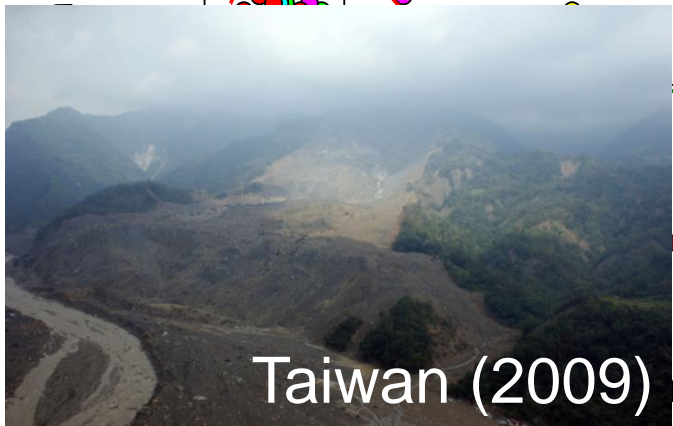
-Total rainfall versus maximum hourly rainfall-

risk of shallow landslide

Top 20 data of total rainfall and maximum hourly rainfall from Takeda City, Oita, Japan

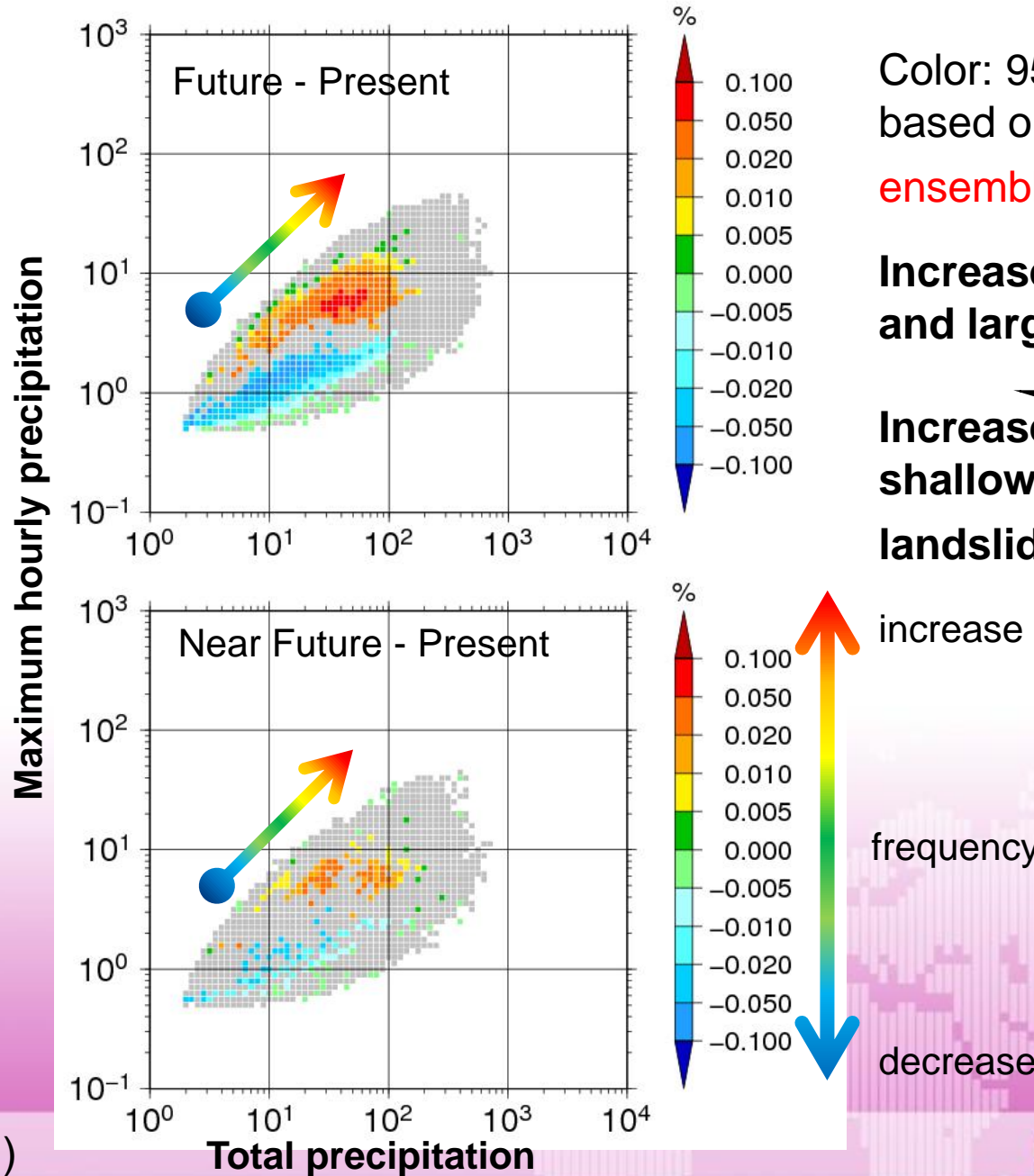


Schematic from PWRI Report No.4129 (2009)



risk of deep landslide

Projected changes in total and maximum hourly rainfall in Japan



Color: 95% significance based on 60-km model ensemble experiments

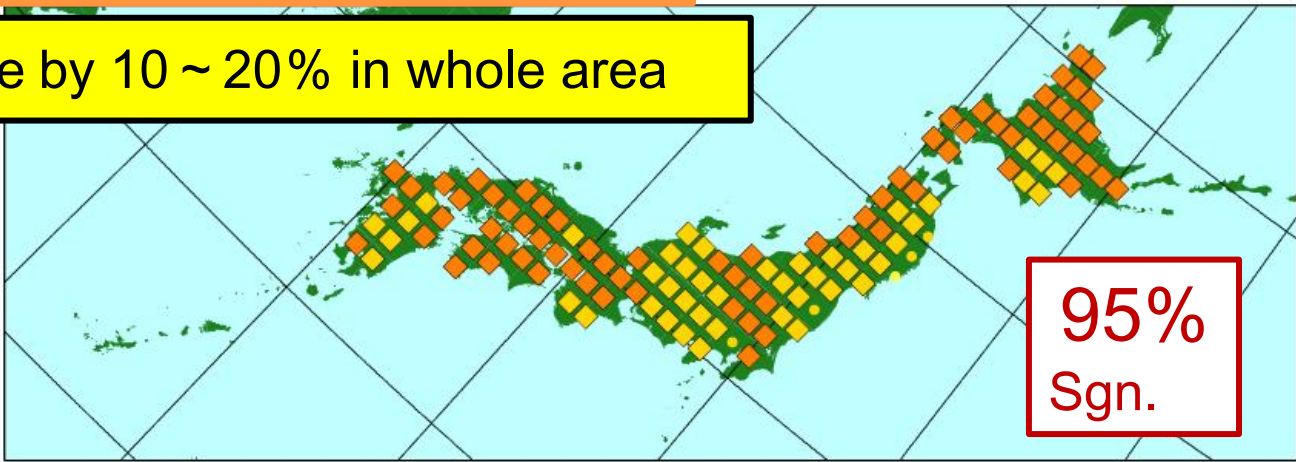
Increase of strong and large rainfall
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Increase of both the shallow and deep landslide risk

Increase in land slide risk

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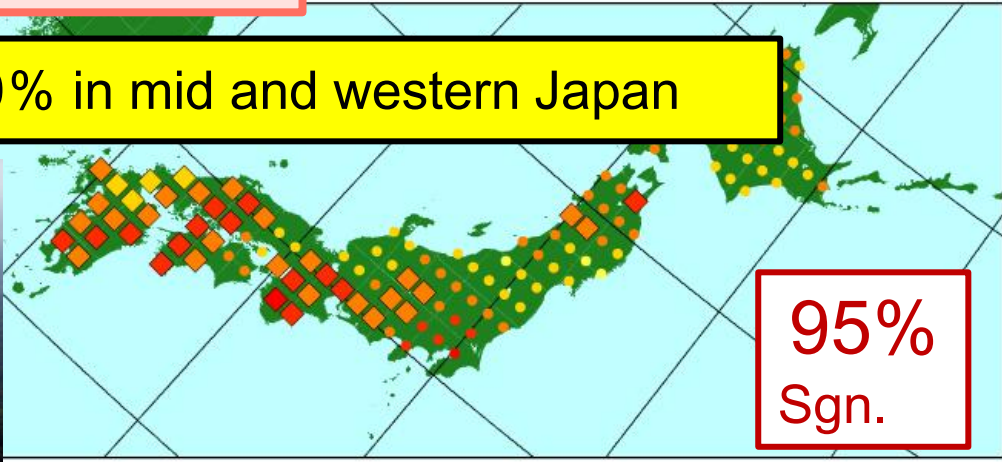
Risk of shallow land slide

Increase by 10 ~ 20% in whole area



Risk of deep land slide

Increase by 10 ~ 20% in mid and western Japan



Design value



Design value
(Return period)

Range for disaster Mitigation



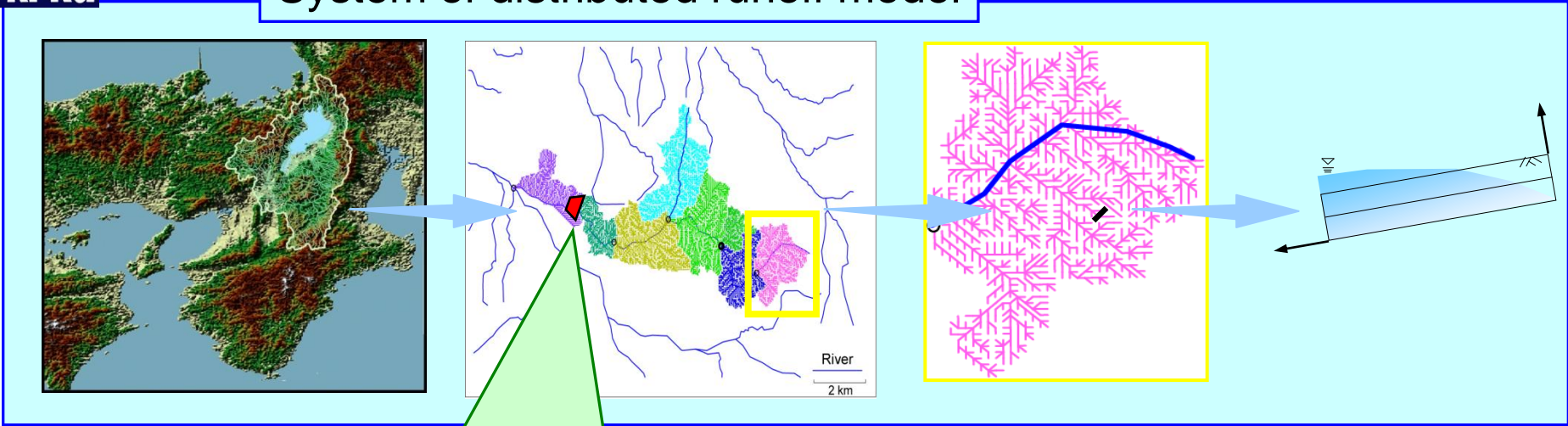
Range for disaster Prevention



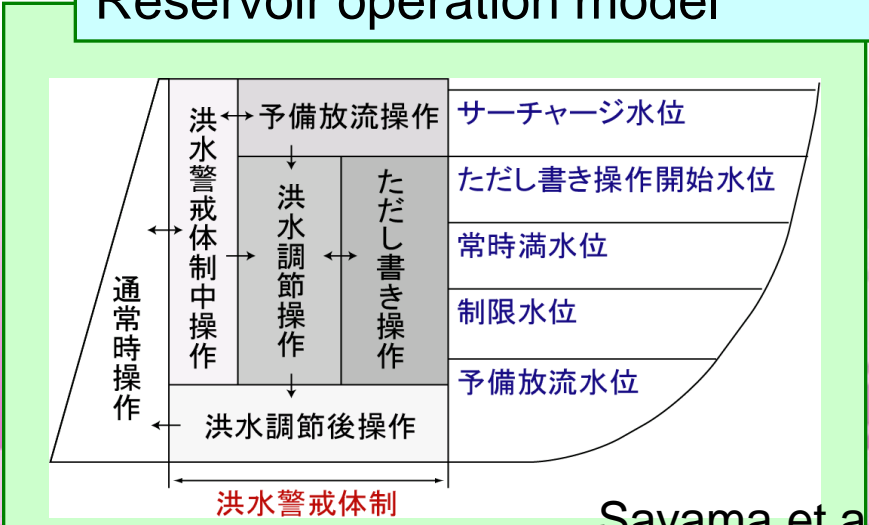
Introducing reservoir operation models into distributed runoff model



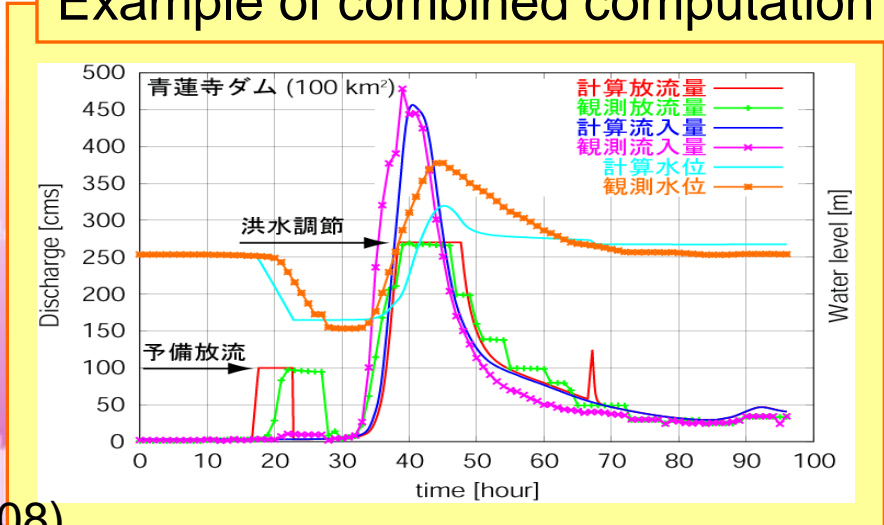
System of distributed runoff model



Reservoir operation model



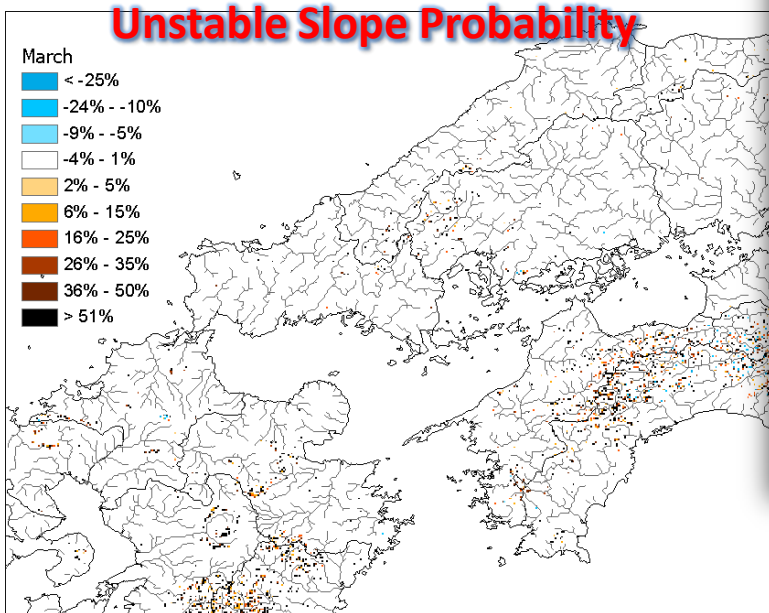
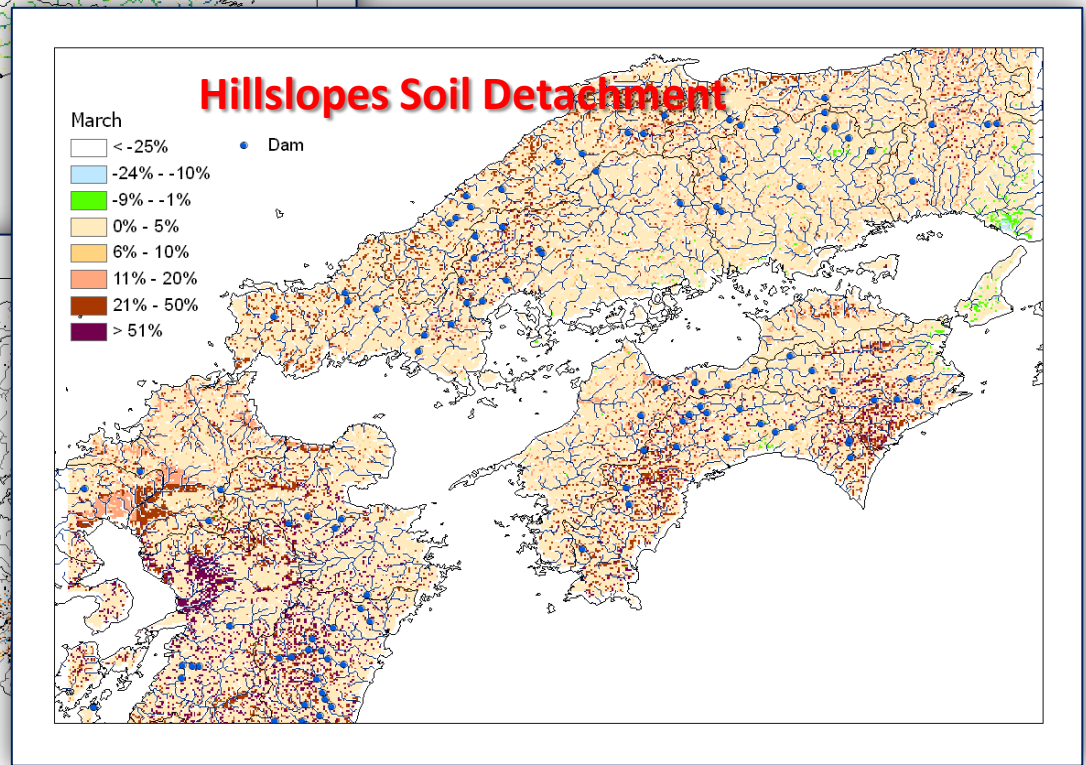
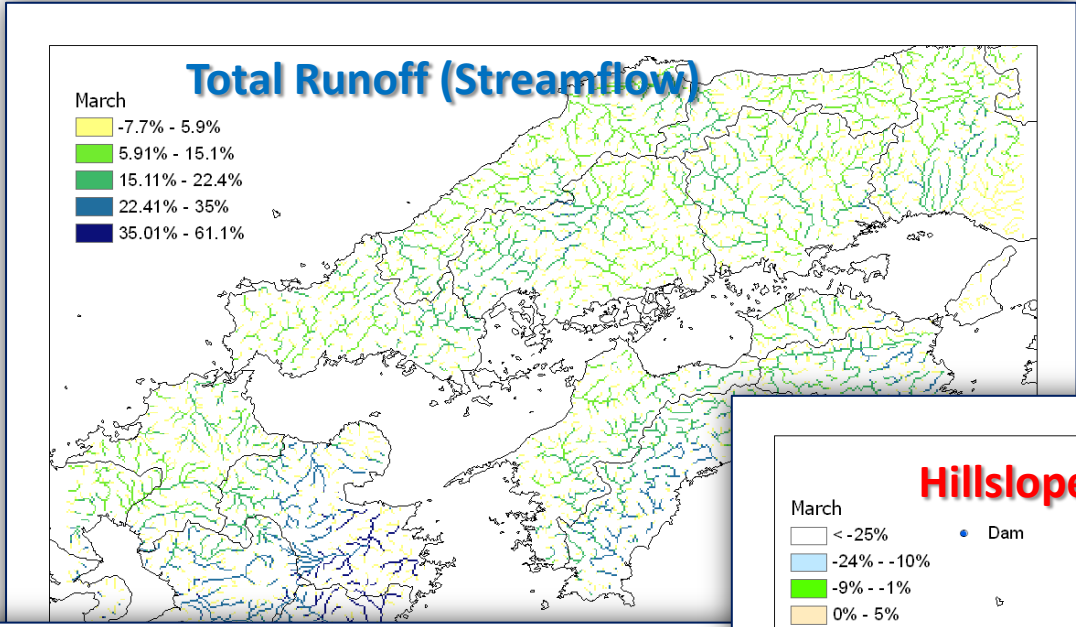
Example of combined computation



Sayama et al (2008)

Change of the Percentage Difference of the Mean Monthly Streamflow Discharge, Soil Detachment and Unstable Slope Probability in the Future Climate Condition with Respect to the Present Climate Condition

(March-October, in animation)



River discharge

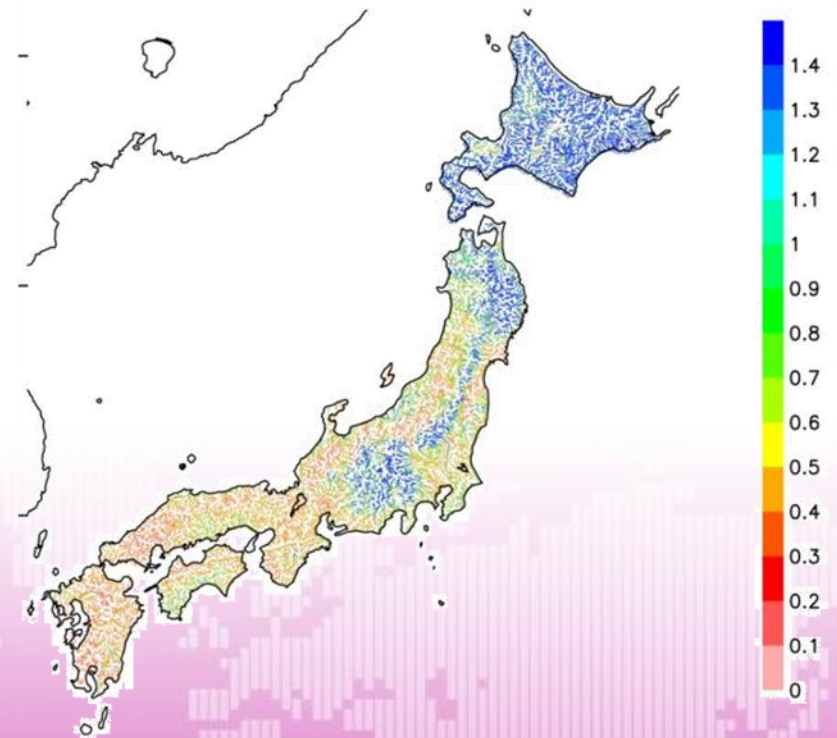
Flood flow change

(Q_1 : Annual Maximum discharge)
100yrs return period

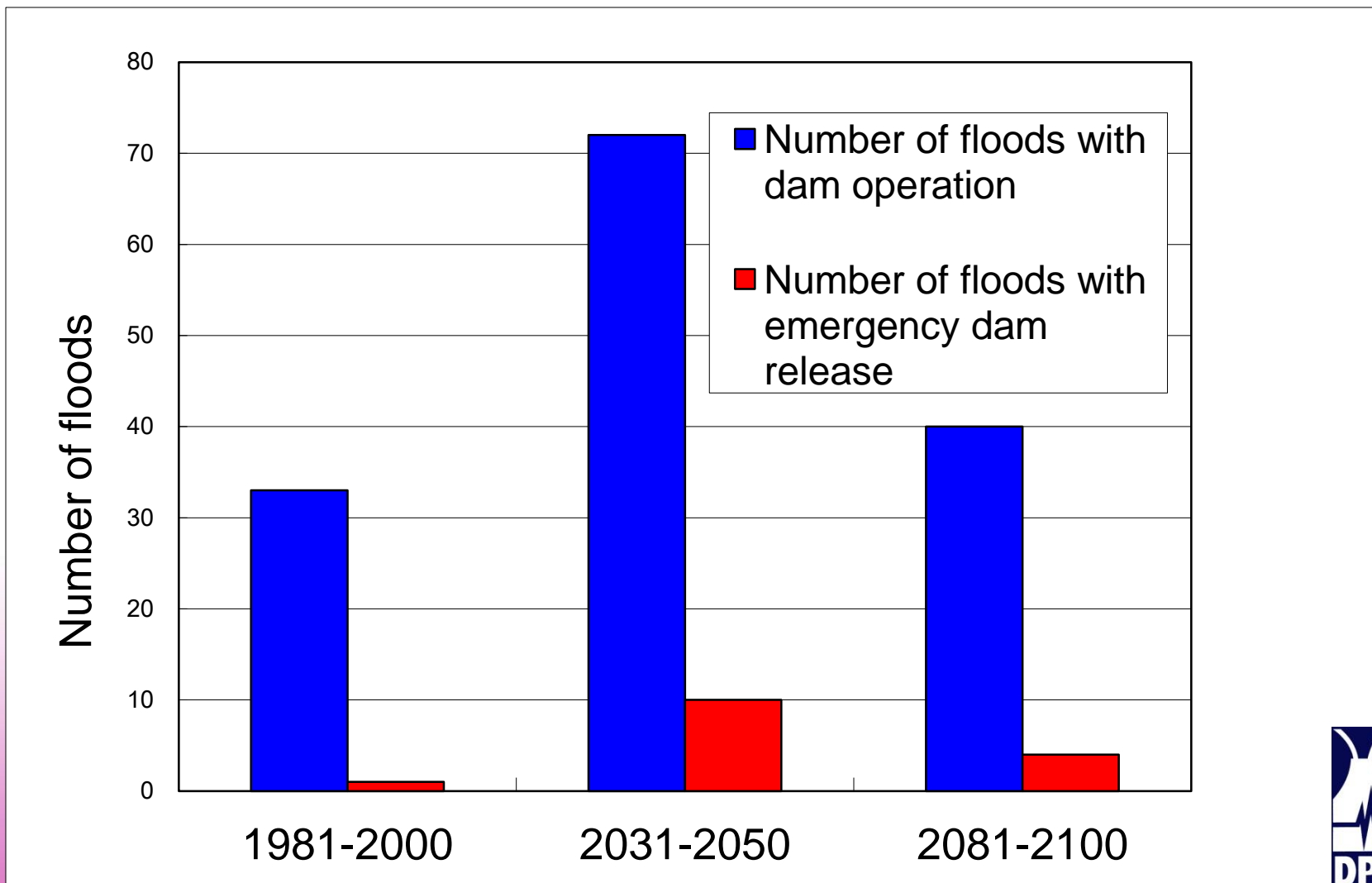


Draught flow change

(Q_{355} discharge)
10yrs return period

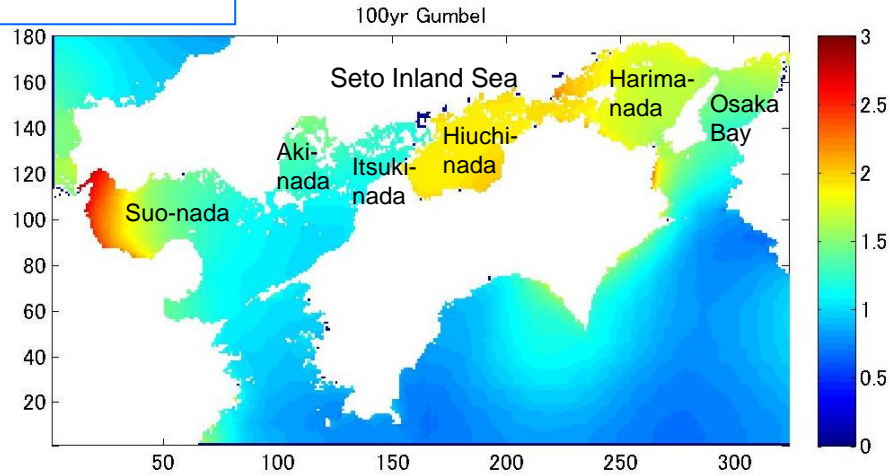


Possible changes in the number of floods requiring dam operation and emergency dam release (Yodo River)

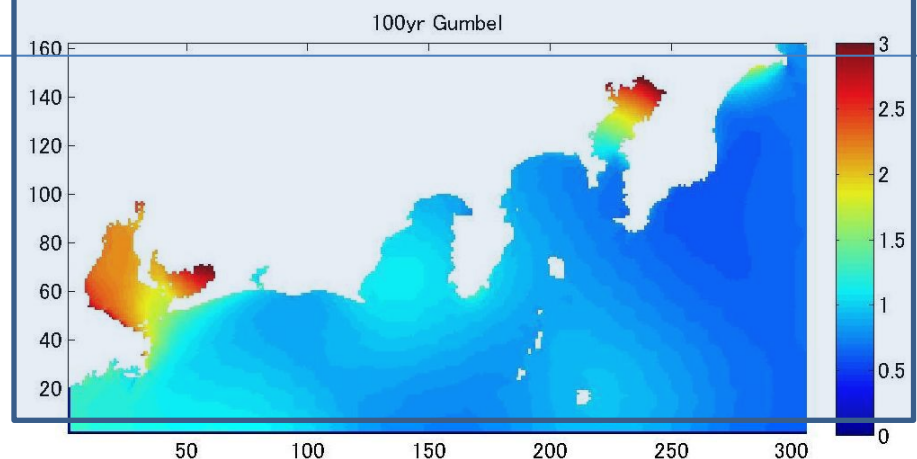
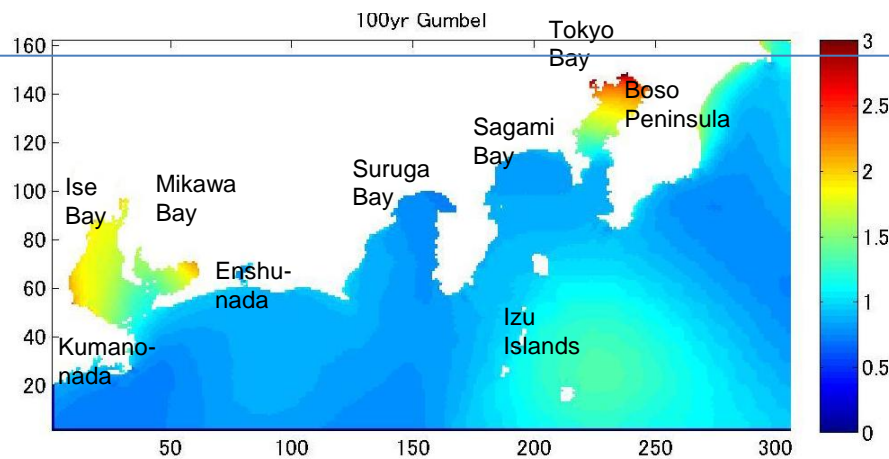
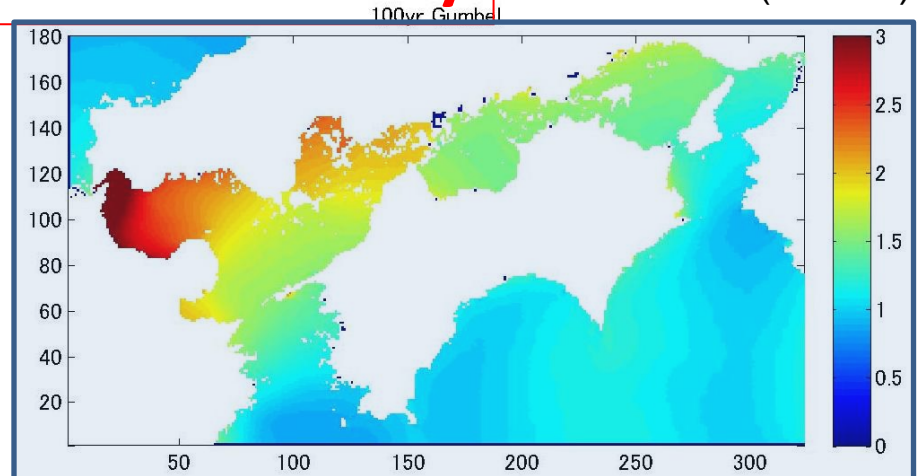


100-years return values of Storm surge (deviation from the average year value)

Current

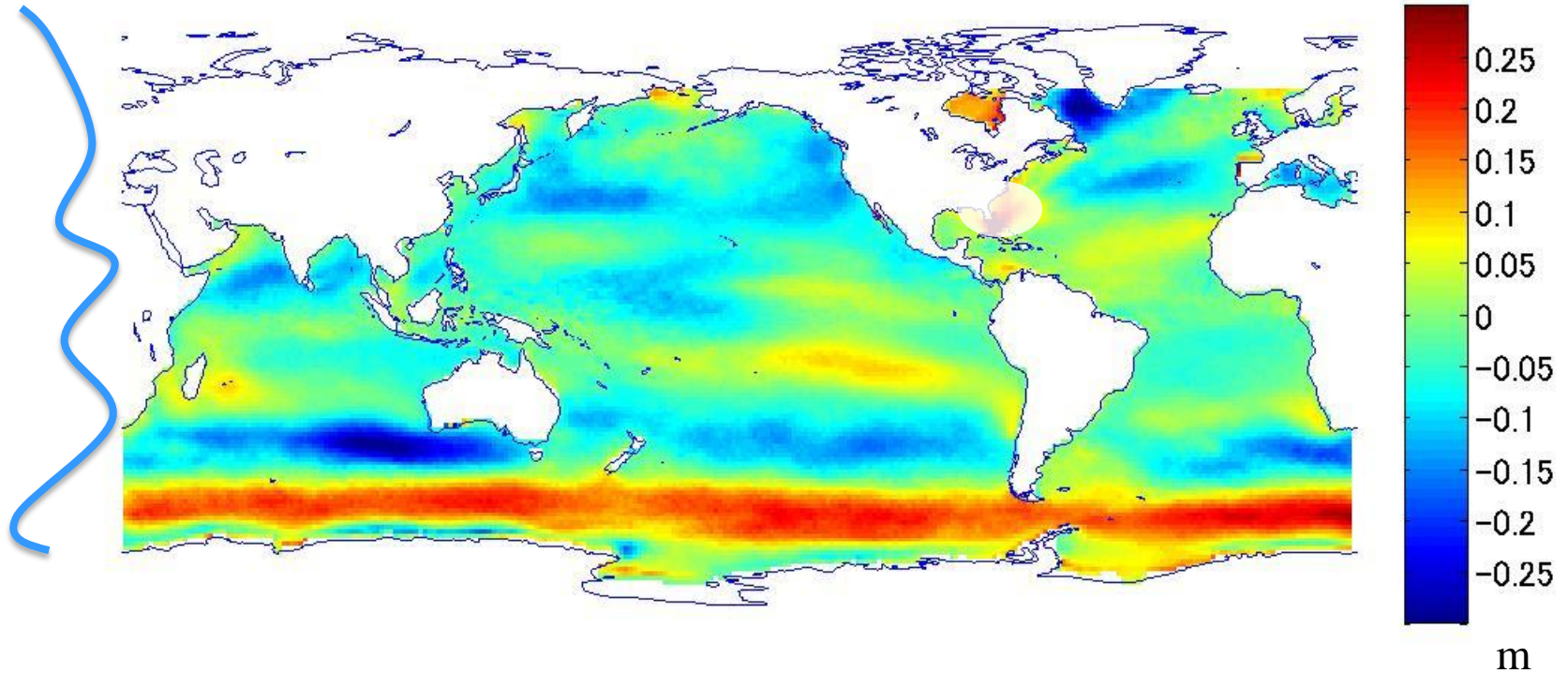


End of Century



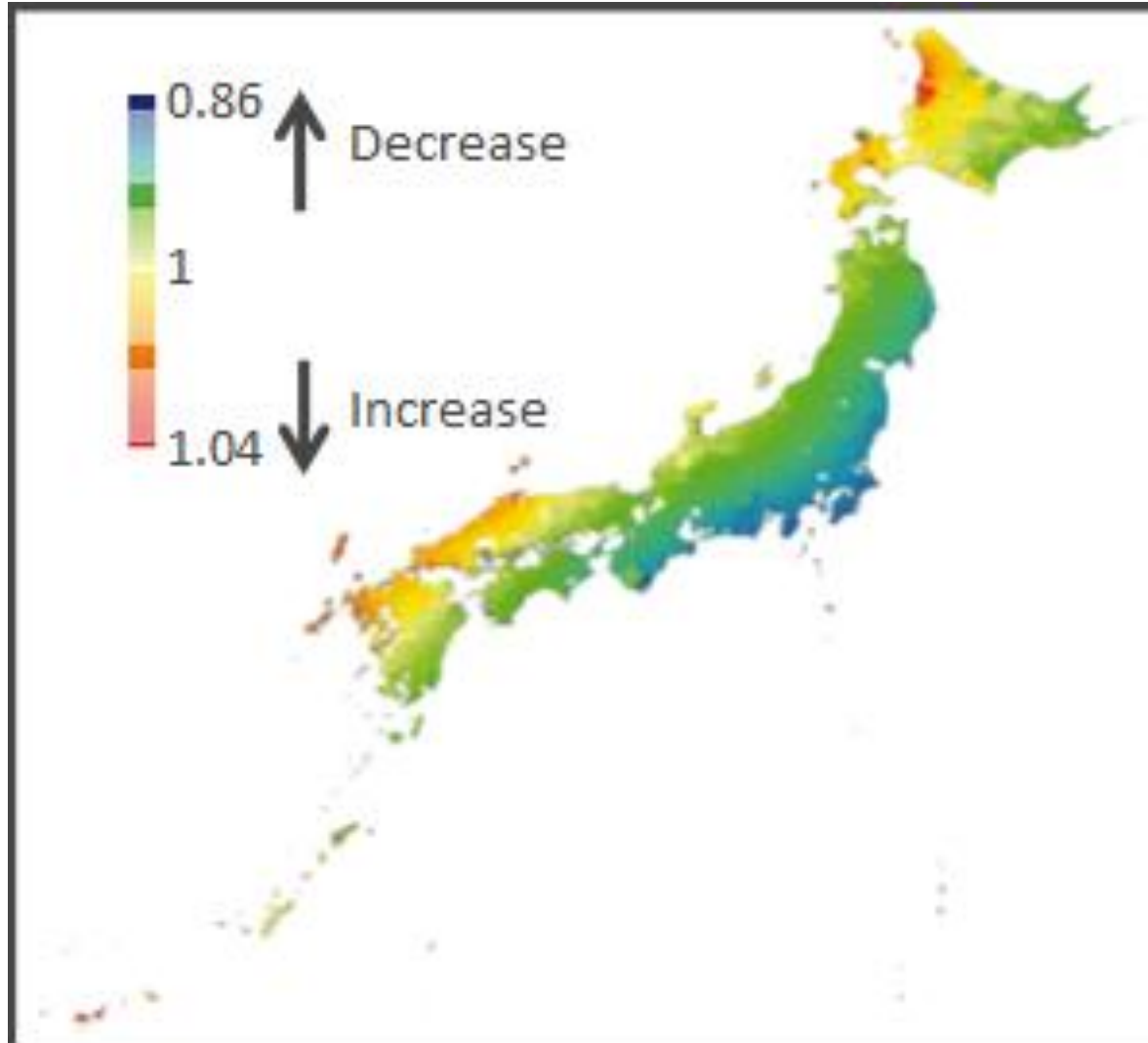
Change in wave height

Period averaged: Future - Present

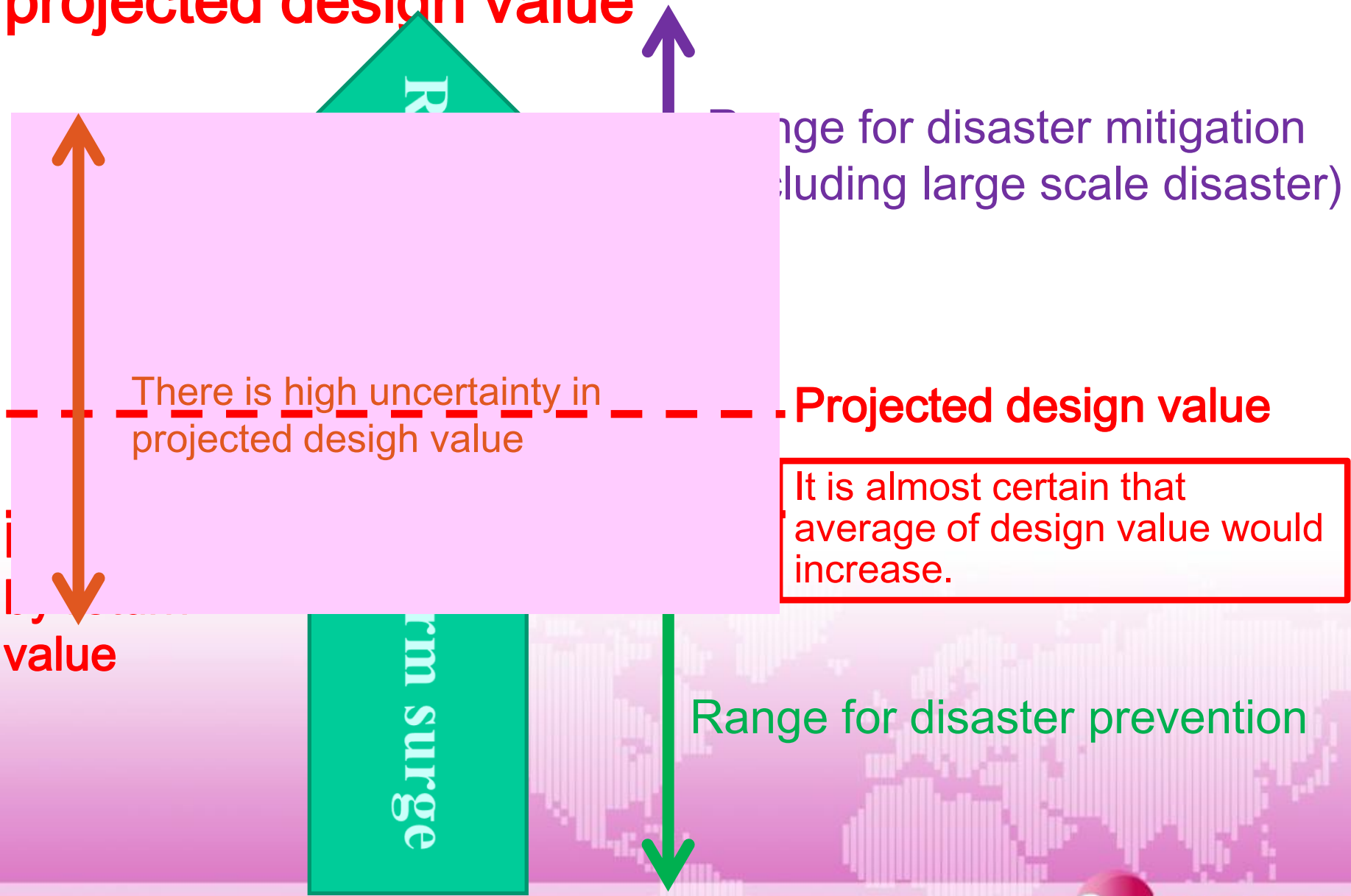


Averaged H_s : **Future**-Present

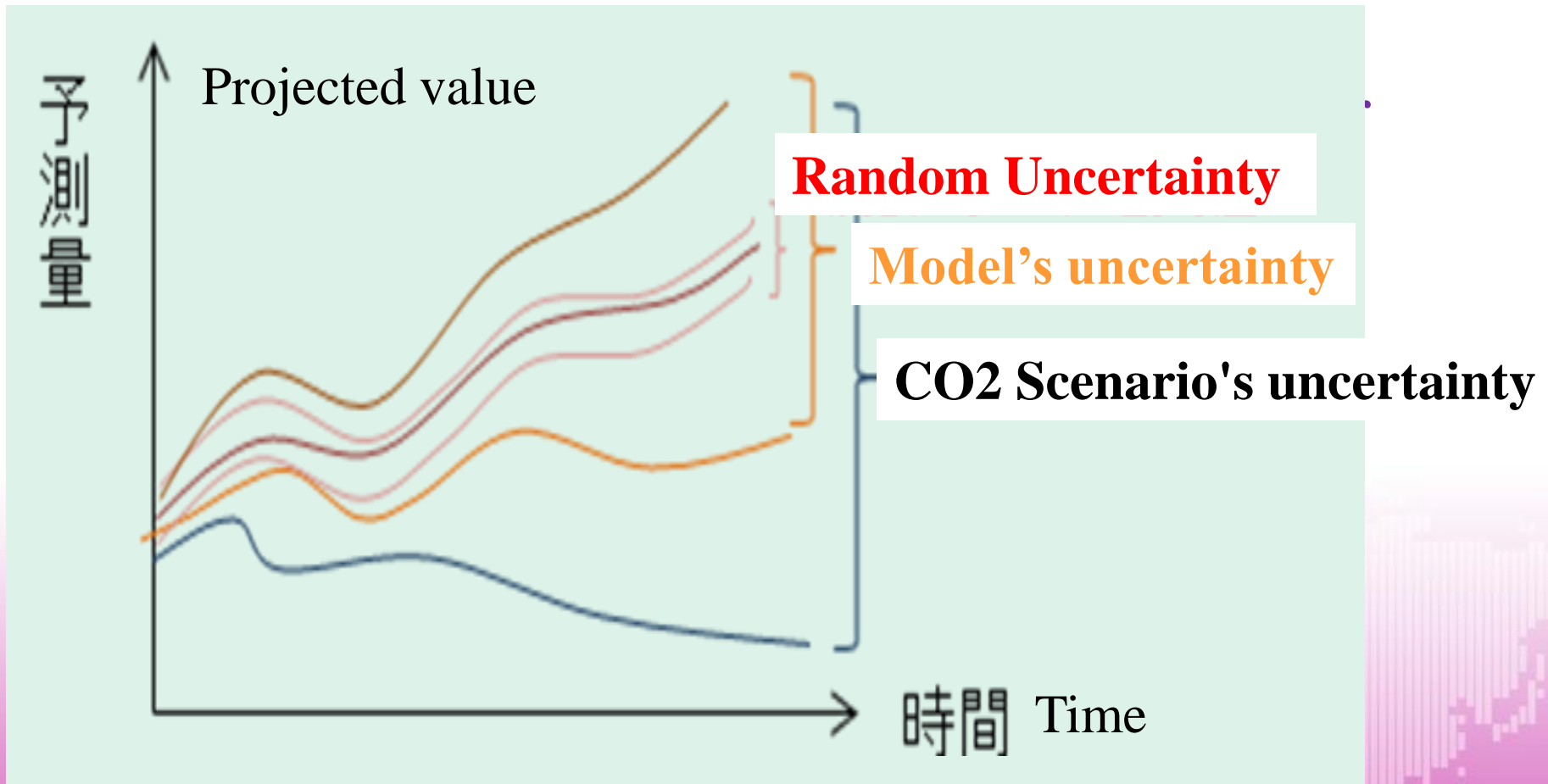
Change in building risks by severe wind



There is high uncertainty in projected design value



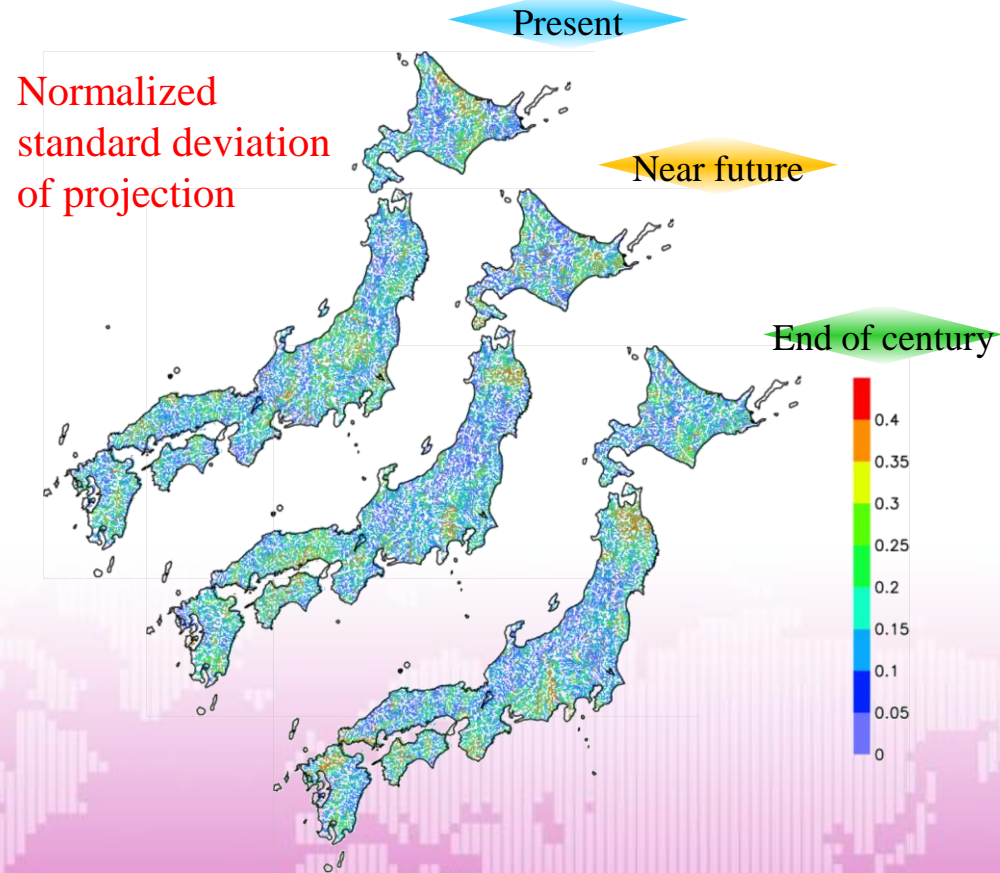
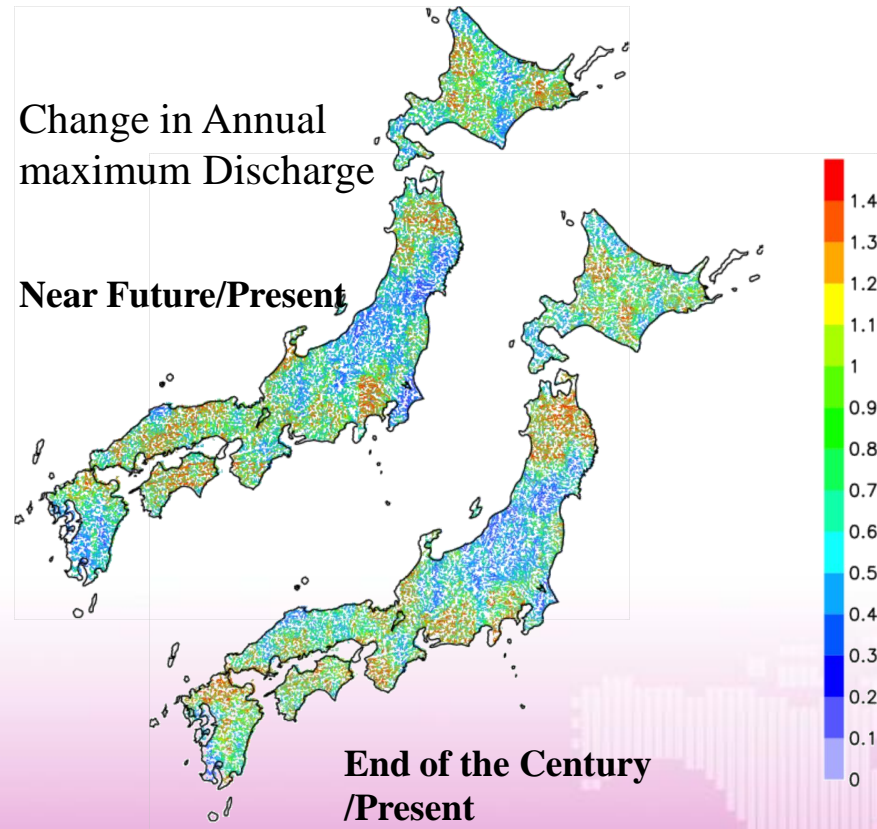
Uncertainty inherent to GCM projection



Accuracy of estimated annual max. discharge

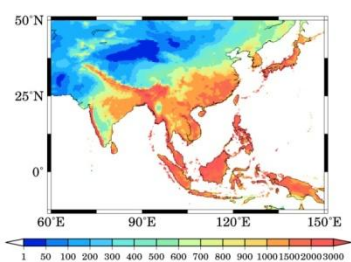
Accuracy of 100 years return value (Jackknife method)

With 25-years single time series



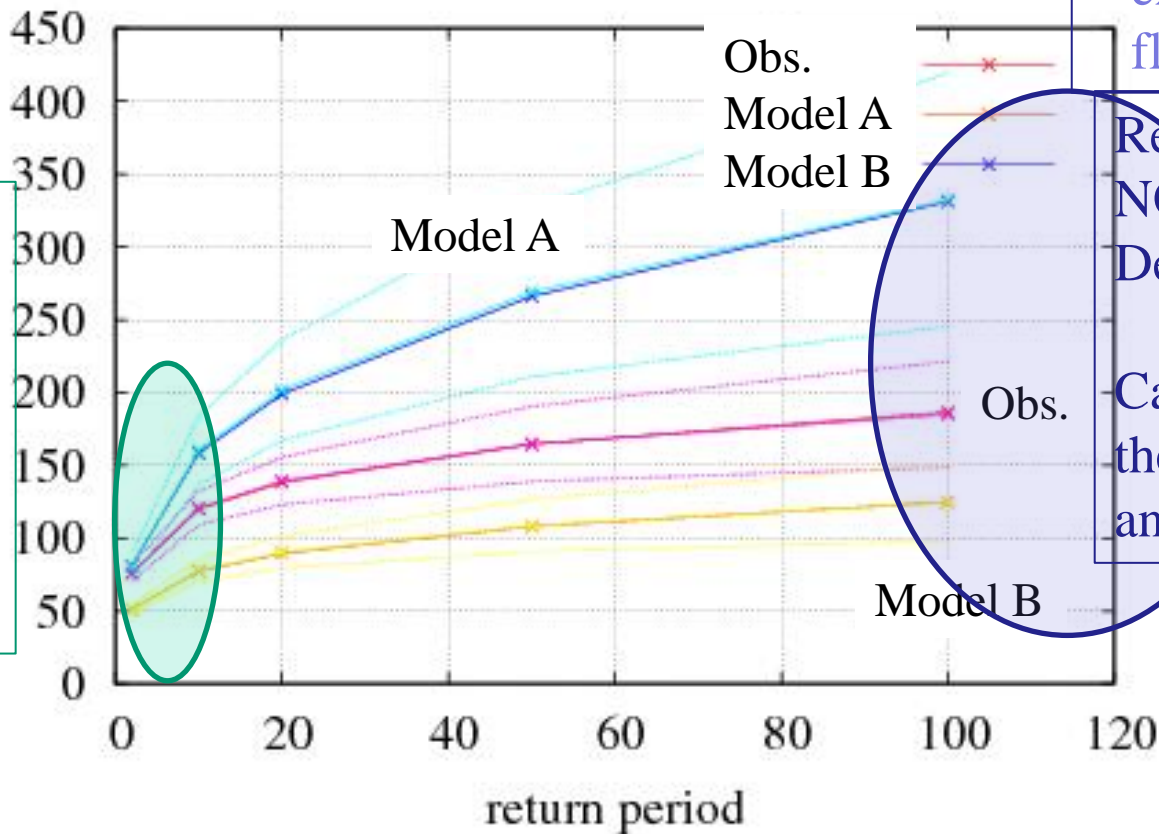
The larger the projected value is, the larger the standard deviation is.

Schematic of return value's uncertainty



AMS

Jackknife GEV



Low uncertainty:
agriculture,
water resources

Return value can
be used as design
level

High uncertainty:
extreme events,
flood, land slide

Return value can
NOT be used as
Design level

Can RCM reduce
the uncertainty
and bias?

With 25-years single time series

Konoshima and Nakakita (2010)

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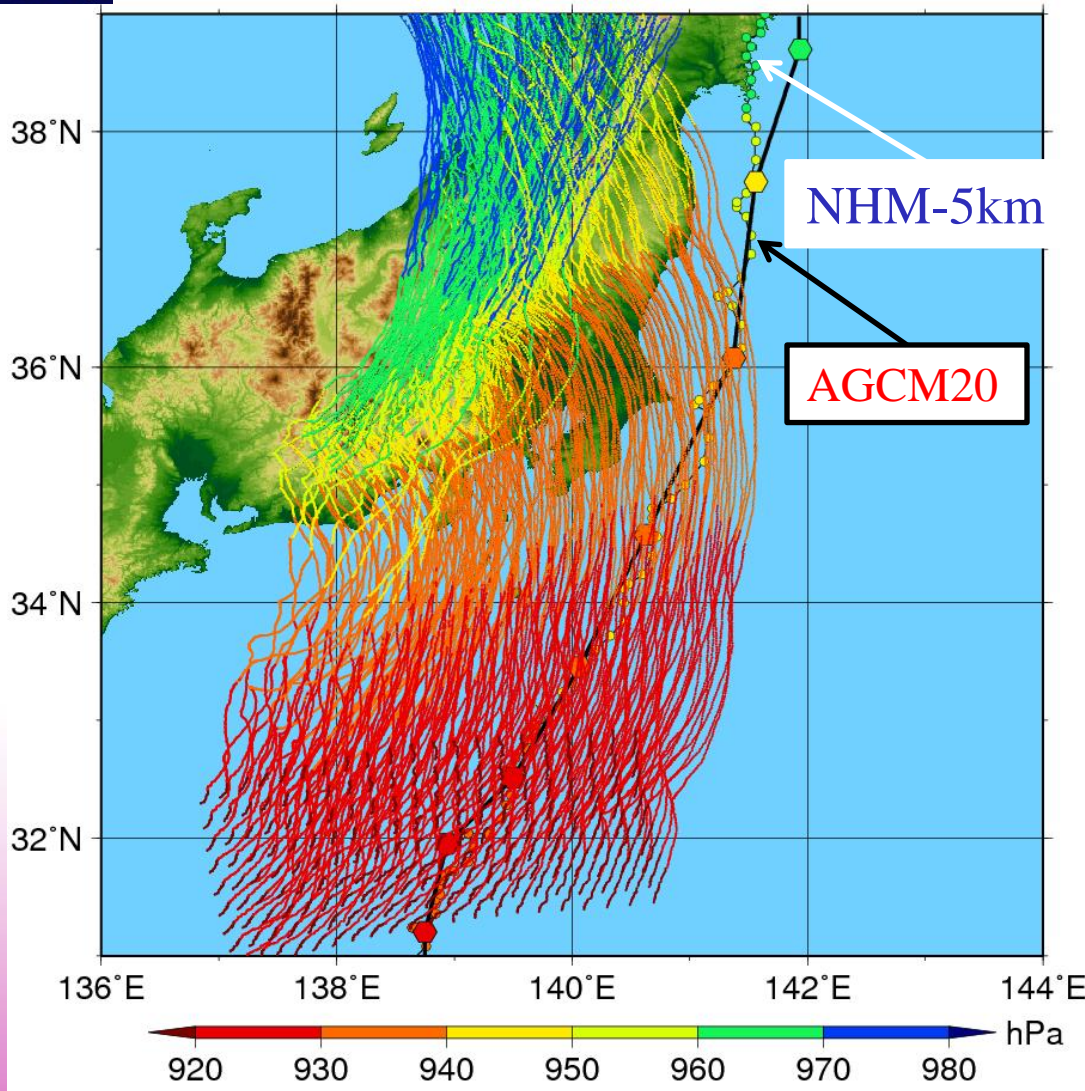
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There is high uncertainty in projected design value

- We may be almost sure that average of extreme design value would increase.
- However, projected increase in the design value is merely rough estimation,
- because, for example, the worst case typhoon for a specific river basin may not be realized (computed) in a single projected time series.
- Therefore, it is very important to estimate river discharge when a worst case typhoon would pass through, even though we cannot estimate return period.

Virtual Shifting of typhoon's initial position - for making a worst scenario -



Virtual Shifting of typhoons
initial position by keeping
potential vorticity same
(a vorgas method)



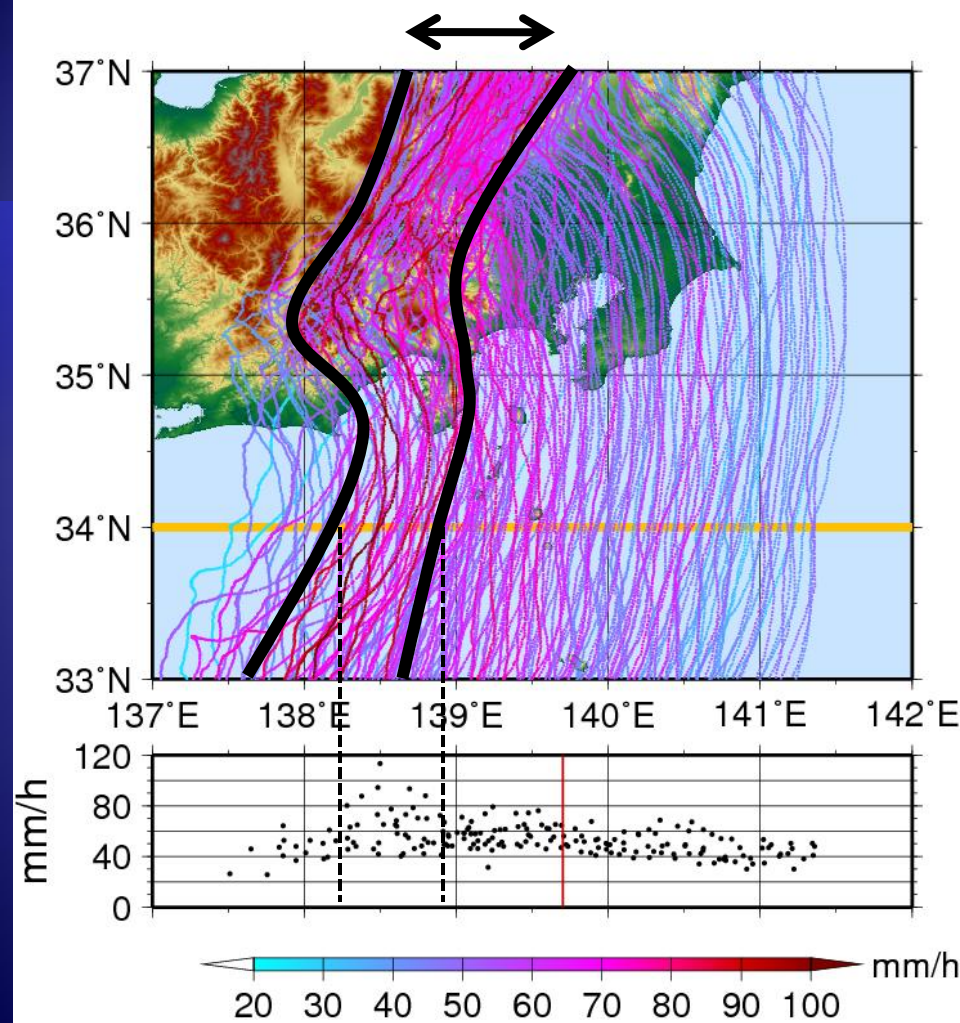
Dynamic downscale
by RCM



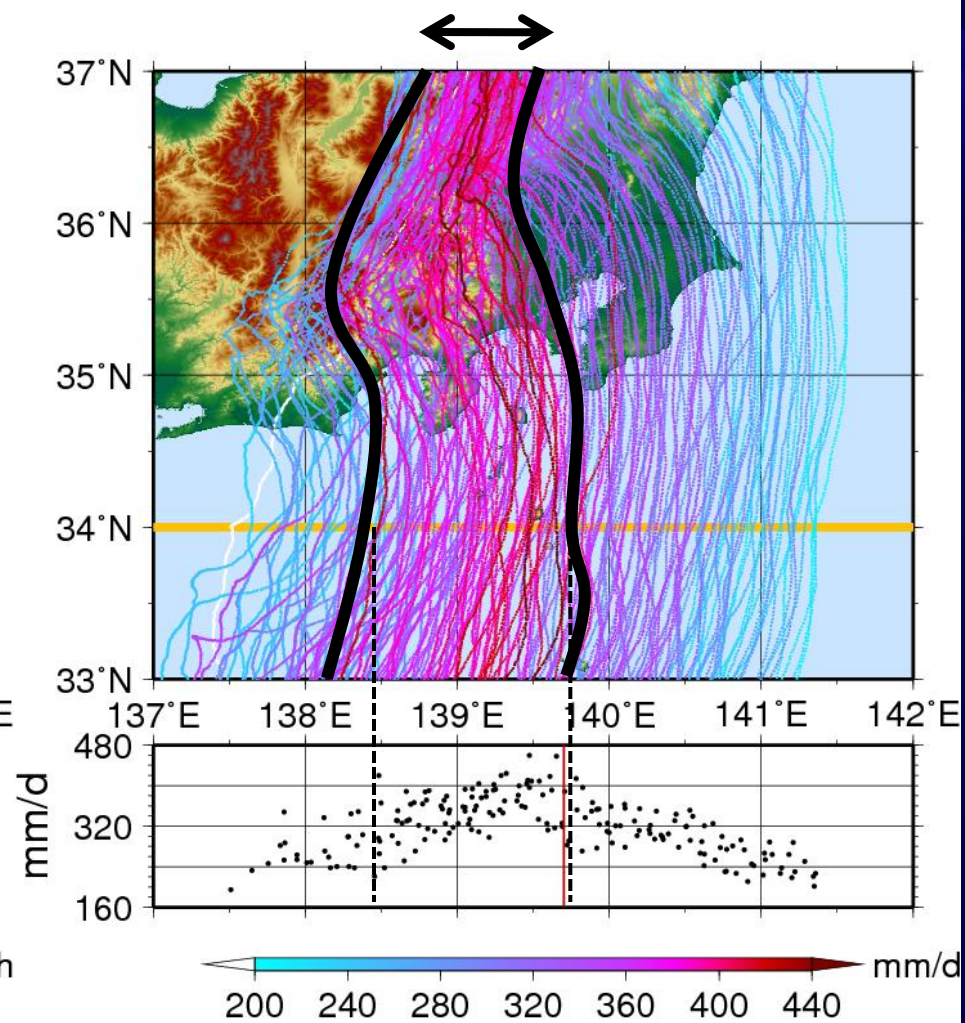
**Worst case impact assessment
on**

- Land : extreme wind and rainfall
- Ocean : storm surge and wave height

Track and precipitation

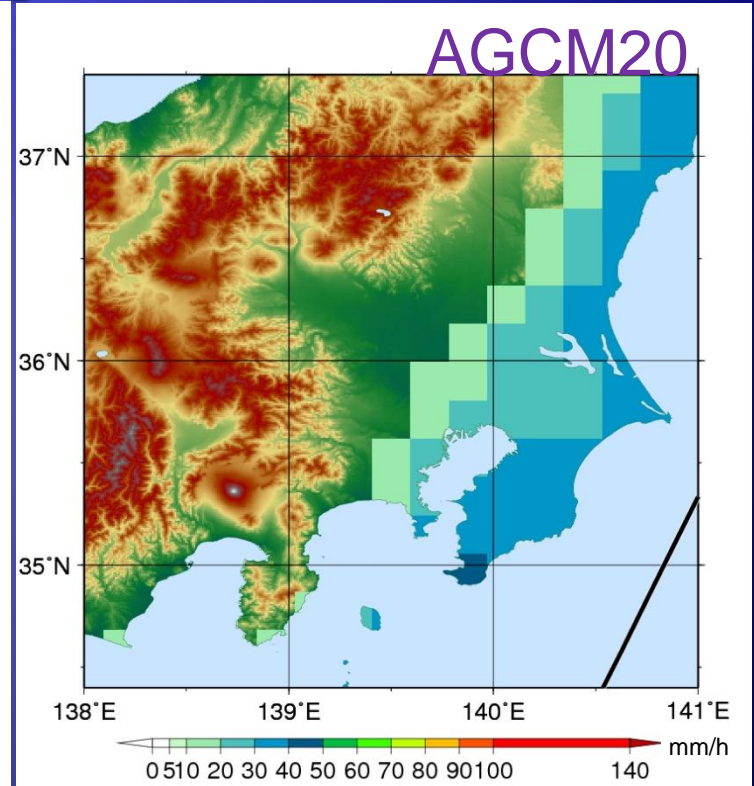
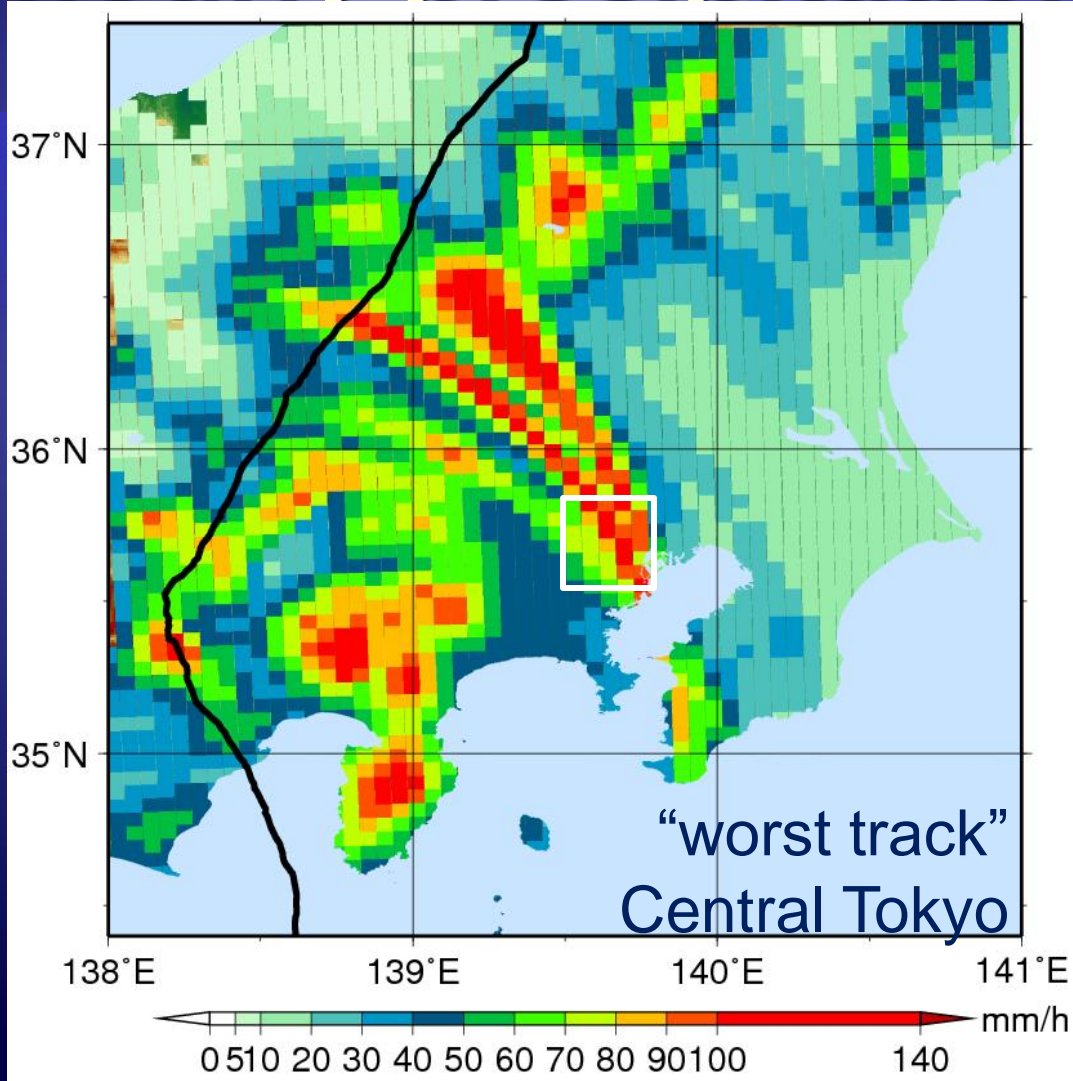


hourly precipitation



daily precipitation

Probable maximum hourly precipitation



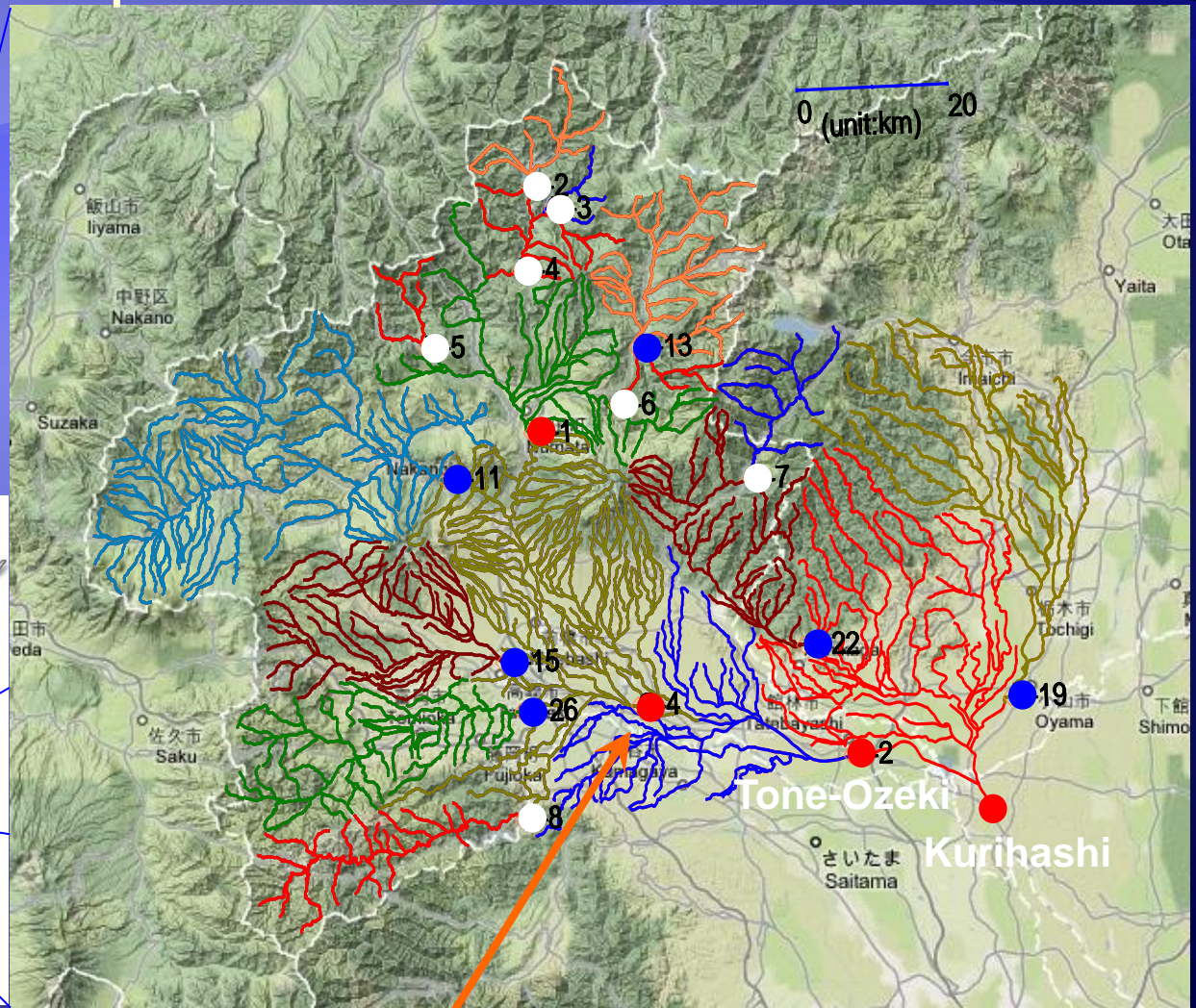
Simulation of River Discharge using Precipitation Output (Tone River Basin)

● Main Points

- Yakatahara (1677.5 km²)
- Yattajima (5133.6 km²)
- Tone-Ozeki (6058.8 km²)
- Kurihashi (8772.2 km²)

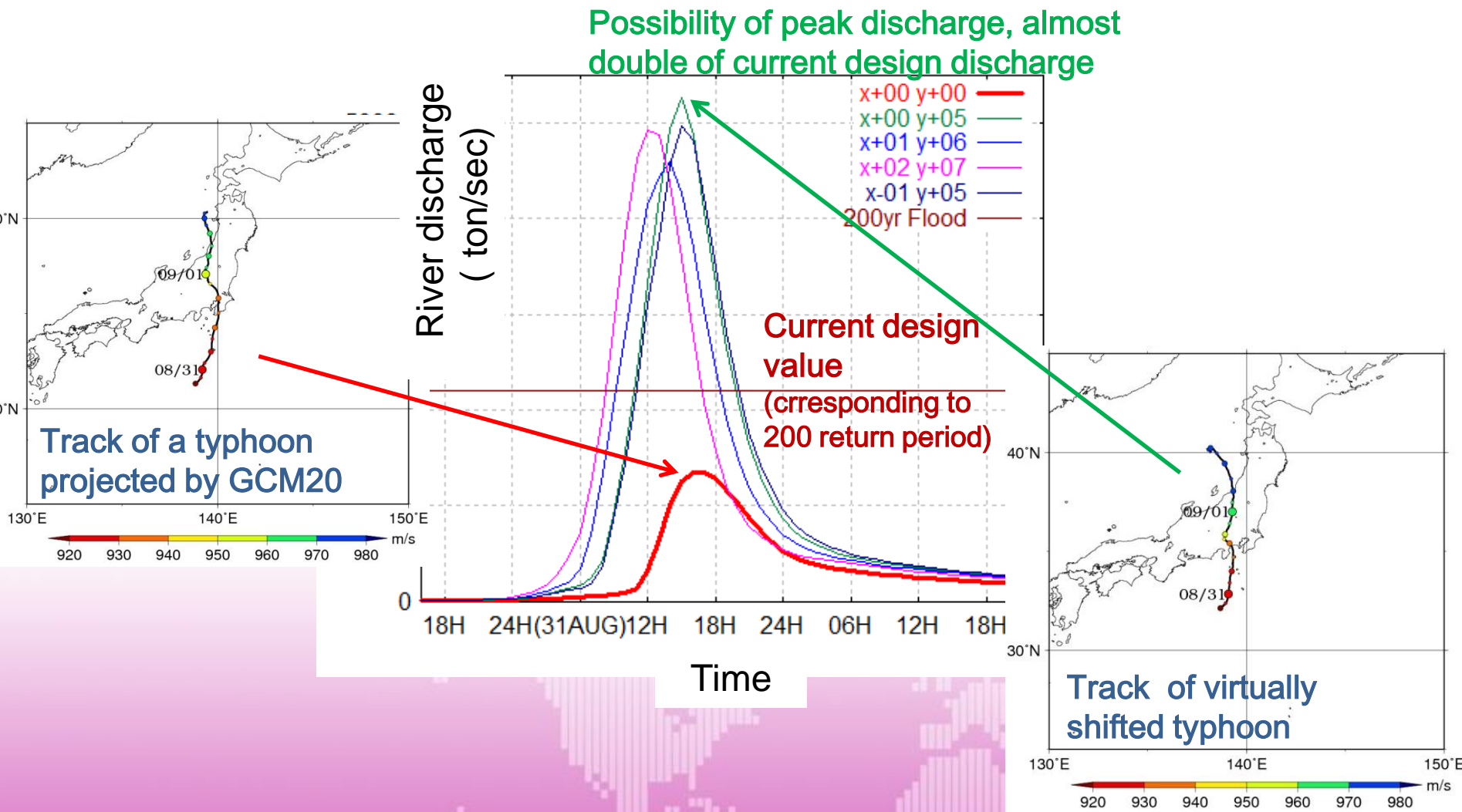
● Dam Points

- Yagisawa Dam
- Naramata Dam
- Fujiwara Dam
- Aimata Dam
- Sonohara Dam
- Kuroki Dam
- S...



Yattajima (八斗島)
Design Flow Rate : 22,000 m³/s (200years)

River Discharge by the virtual shifting of typhoon which was projected by GCM



Heading to adaptation

Survivability Critical, Edge of Survivability

a Worst case scenario

Range for disaster mitigation (including large scale disaster)

There is high uncertainty in projected design value

Projected design value

It is almost certain that average of design value would increase.

by return value

storm surge

Range for disaster prevention

Summary (1)

1. The AGCM and RCM with super-high spatio-temporal resolutions (20 km-1 hour) made it possible to evaluate extreme hazard (ex. Max. discharge).
2. However, this does not mean that we can evaluate the changes in such a high spatial resolution.
3. We can get approximate projection on changes of return values of extreme events.
4. However, there is a risk that the return period does not have enough accuracy **because there is no guarantee that quite extreme events could be properly projected within the limited number of ensembles. (Single time series output from the AGCM20 and RCM)**
5. In this sense, it may be difficult to project correct design hazard for water management and flood control so on.



Summary (2)

5. On the other hand, the risk management deal with phenomena beyond design hazards. In this sense, it is very important to take into account the result from **a worst case scenario as one of the forcing hazard for disaster risk management under climate change.**
6. Taking into consideration above items, I think, it is very important for climate change adaptation to **discriminate more between planning with an uncertain design level and risk management with a worst case scenario.**
7. Of cause, **making the number of ensembles increase is essential for the Kakushin follow-up program.**





Research division and center

Related to Kakushin and Its Follow-on Programs

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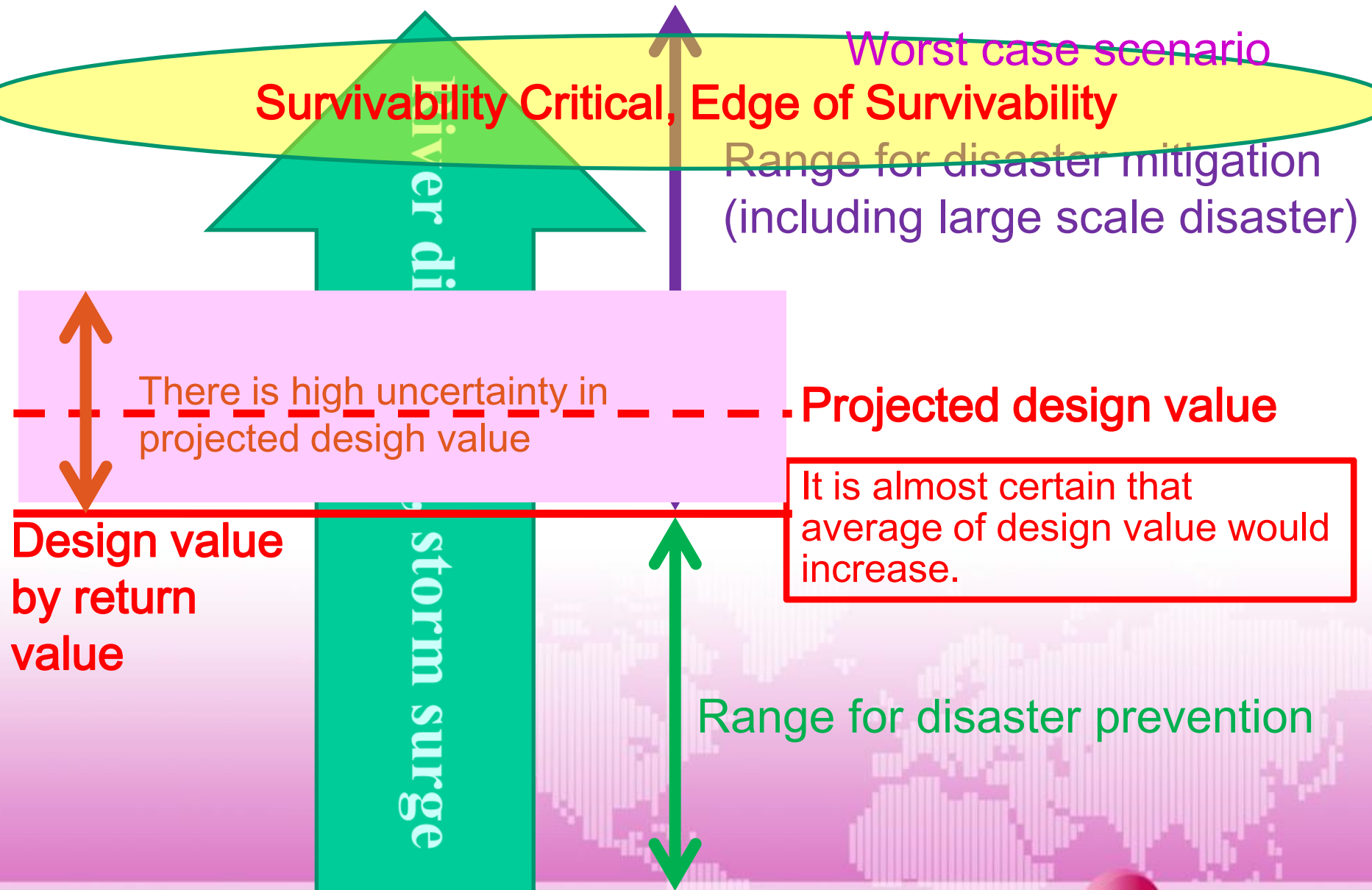
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Thank you for your kind attention!

Heading to adaptation



Methods of Impact assessment

Output from GCM and/or RCM

■ Hydrological Regime, Ocean Wave
Direct and Continual Utilization of
Time-series of GCM/RCM outputs

Hazard models
■ Run-off Model
■ Ocean Wave Model

Evaluation of changes in hazards

Evaluation of Changes in Disaster Risks

■ Storm Surge, Land Slides, Inundation
Statistical Evaluation of Extreme forcing
Design rainfall, Design typhoon

Hazard models
■ Storm Surge Model
■ Land Slide Model, Inundation Model

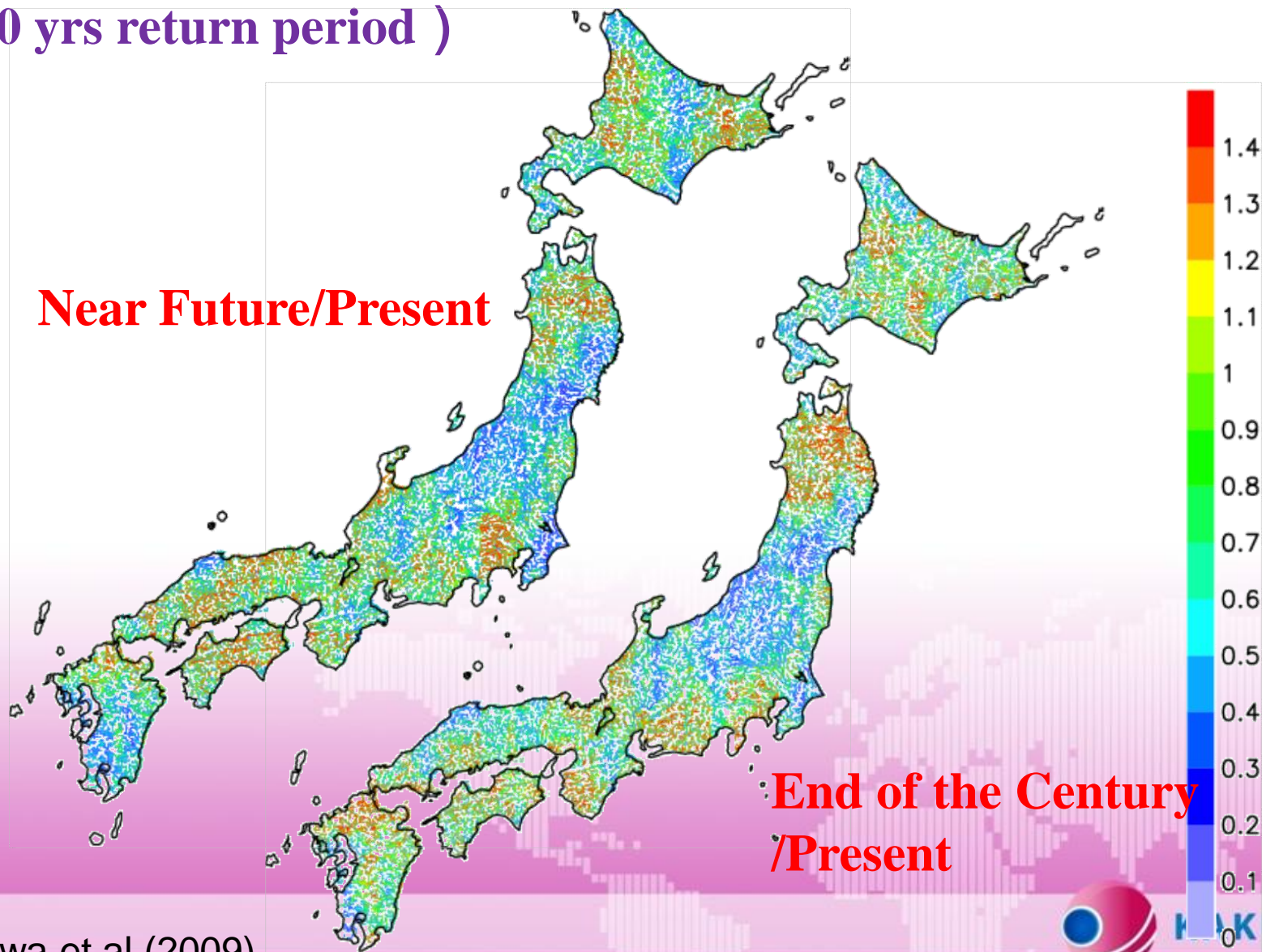
Evaluation of changes in hazards

Evaluation of Changes in Disaster Risks

Proposal of Adaptation Measures

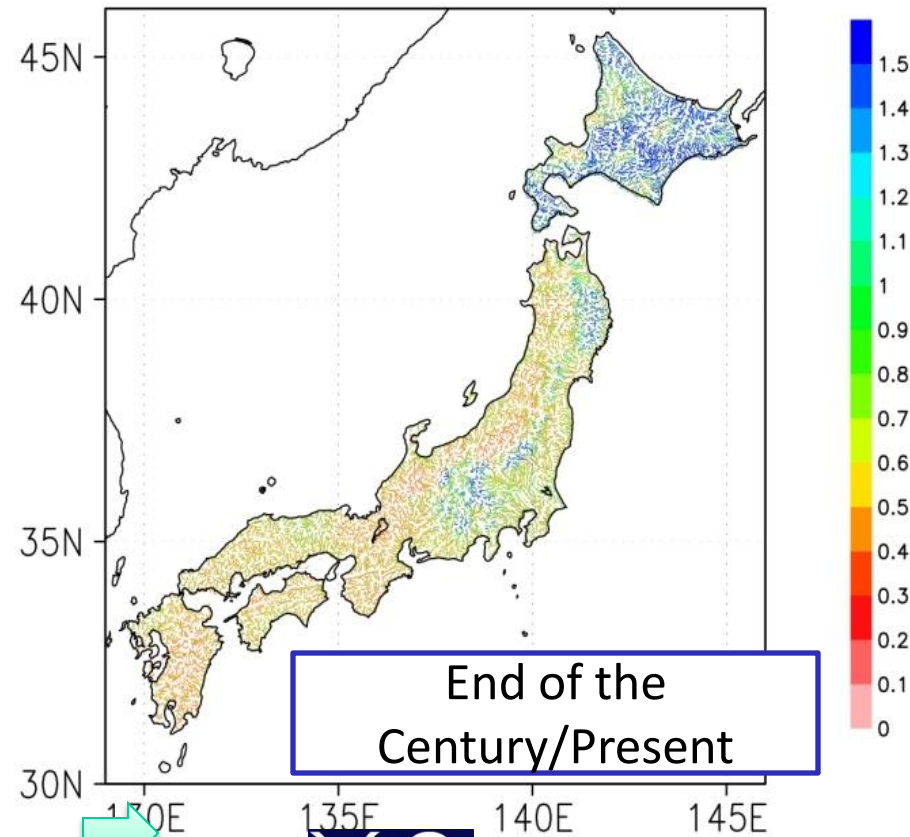
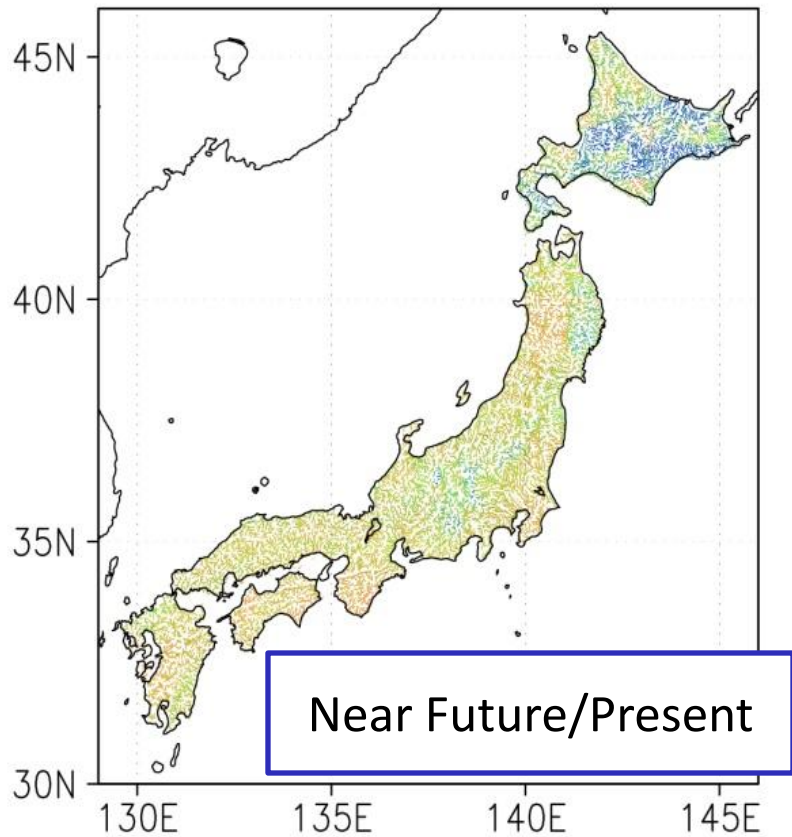
Impact Assessment on River Regime (Flood)

Increasing Ratio of **Annual Max. Discharge**
(100 yrs return period)

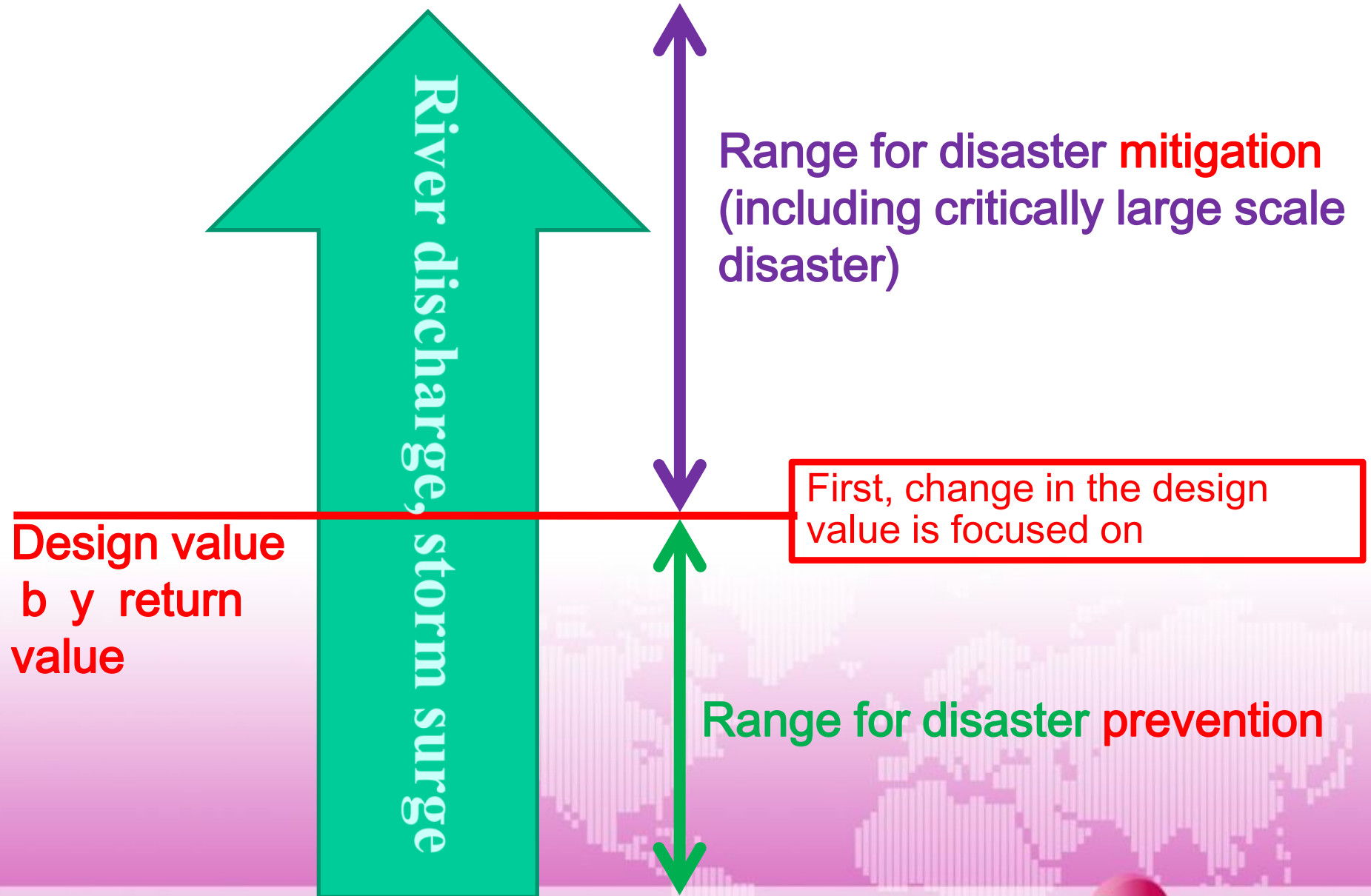


Impact Assessment on River Regime (Drought)

Drought Discharge: The 355th largest daily discharge in a year.



Design value for river discharge and storm surge



Design value
by return
value

Range for disaster mitigation
(including critically large scale
disaster)

First, change in the design
value is focused on

Range for disaster prevention

