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Some features of strong ground motions and structural damage  
during the 2011 Mw 9.0 Off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku  
Earthquake

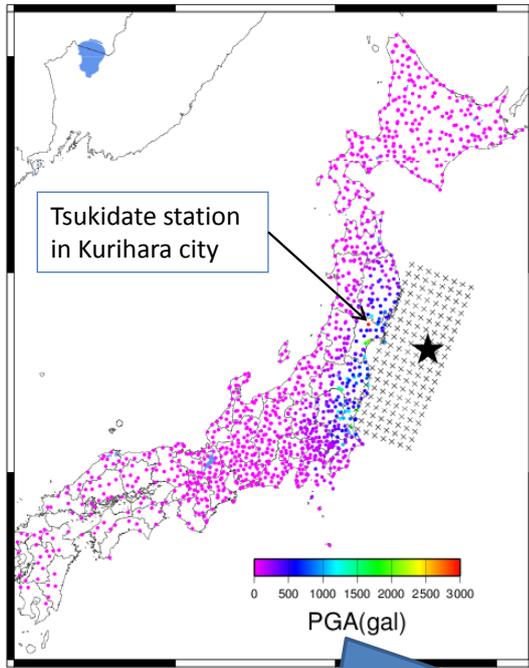
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## Today's Topics

1. Some features of structural damage during the 11 March 2011 Mw 9.0 Tohoku earthquake
2. Short-period source model estimated from strong motion data
3. Period-dependence of rupture processes
4. Recipe of predicting strong ground motions for subduction megathrust earthquakes
5. Estimation of strong ground motions at damaged sites during 2013 Tohoku earthquake for fragility curves of buildings

# Outline of the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake

2011/03/11, 14:46. Depth=24km, Interplate



Peak Ground Acceleration

- Mw=9.0 ( the largest earthquake recorded in Japan)
- JMA seismic intensity=7. Largest PGA approached 2933 gal (Tsukidate, Kurihara city of Miyagi Prefecture )
- Focal region was very large (450km X 200km)
- Damage area was wide (20 prefectures, Tokyo, Osaka)
- Over 1200 strong ground motion records were observed all over Japan.

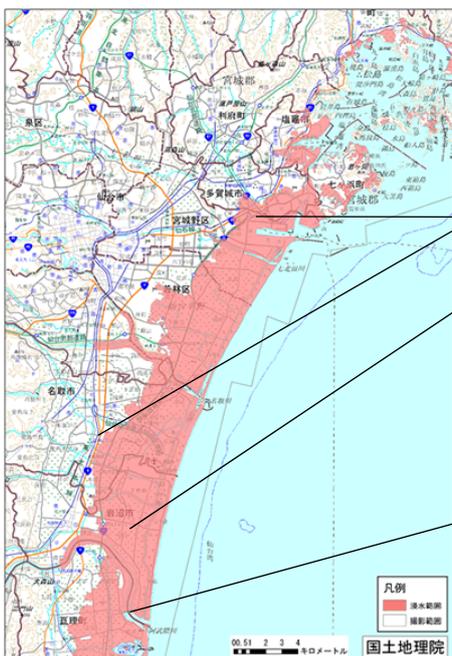
# Buildings damage data (FDMA, 2012)

Total collapse

Partial collapse

Partial damage

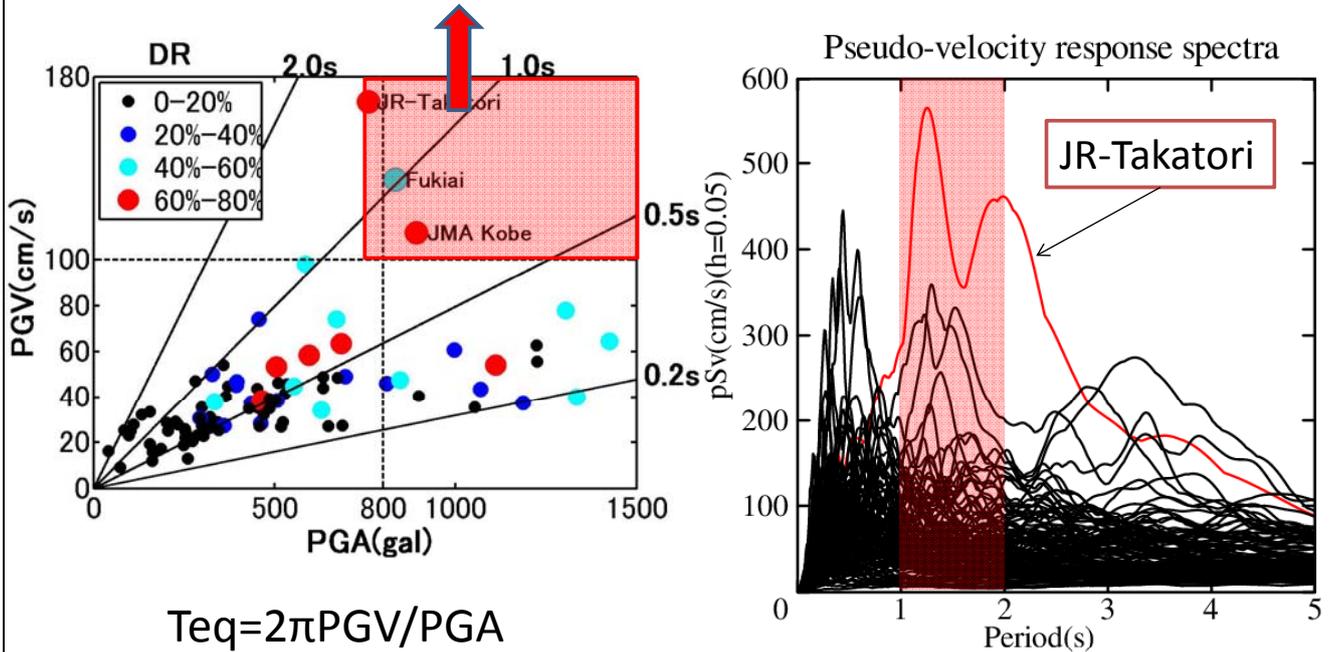
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March 11, 2012



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		全壊 棟	半壊 棟	一部 破損 棟	床上 浸水 棟	床下 浸水 棟	公共 建物 棟	その他 棟	
宮城県	名取市	2,801	1,129	10,061	3,403	1,179	2,805		12
	角田市	13	158	996			15		
	多賀城市	1,730	3,605	5,804	不明	不明	不明		15
	岩沼市	688	1,477	2,734	1,540	114	3,126		1
	登米市	198	1,612	3,292		3	761		5
	栗原市	57	368	4,554		3	2	46	
	東松島市	5,470	5,542	3,522	不明	不明	989		1
	大崎市	584	2,376	8,937			71	257	3
	蔵王町	16	142	1,095			681		
	七ヶ宿町			9					
	大河原町	10	142	1,298			111		
	村田町	9	114	636			252		1
	柴田町	13	188	1,623			不明		
	川崎町		14	425			3		
	丸森町	1	36	512			22		1
	亘理町	2,298	1,055	2,251	797	275	468		3
	山元町	2,333	1,095	1,142	不明	不明	339		
松島町	220	1,580	1,526	191	90	97		2	
七ヶ浜町	673	635	2,537	不明	不明	824			
利府町	57	906	3,501	45	14	不明			
大和町	41	262	2,709			不明			
大郷町	50	274	749			203			
富谷町	16	523	5,185			不明		1	

# Period characteristics of ground motions

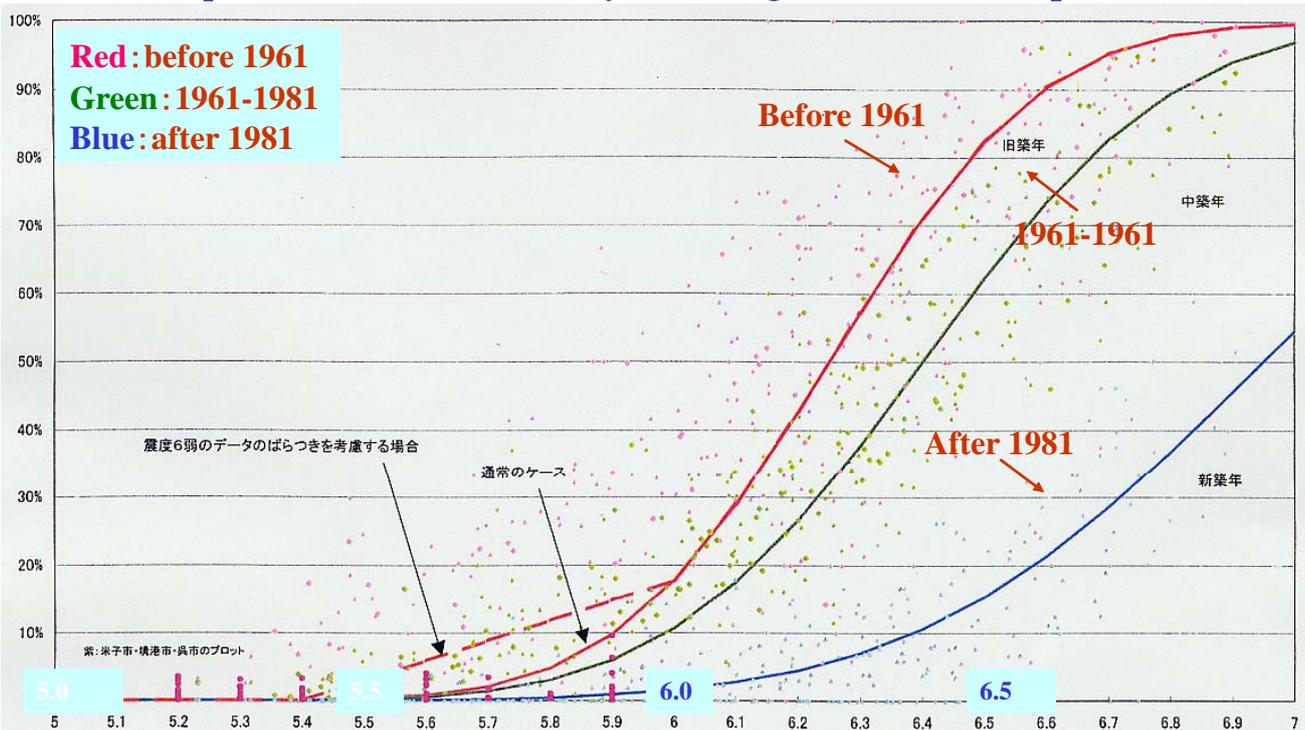
Kobe Earthquake, 1995



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## Relationship between Total-Collapse Ratio and Seismic Intensity

*Dependence on construction year during 1995 Kobe earthquake*

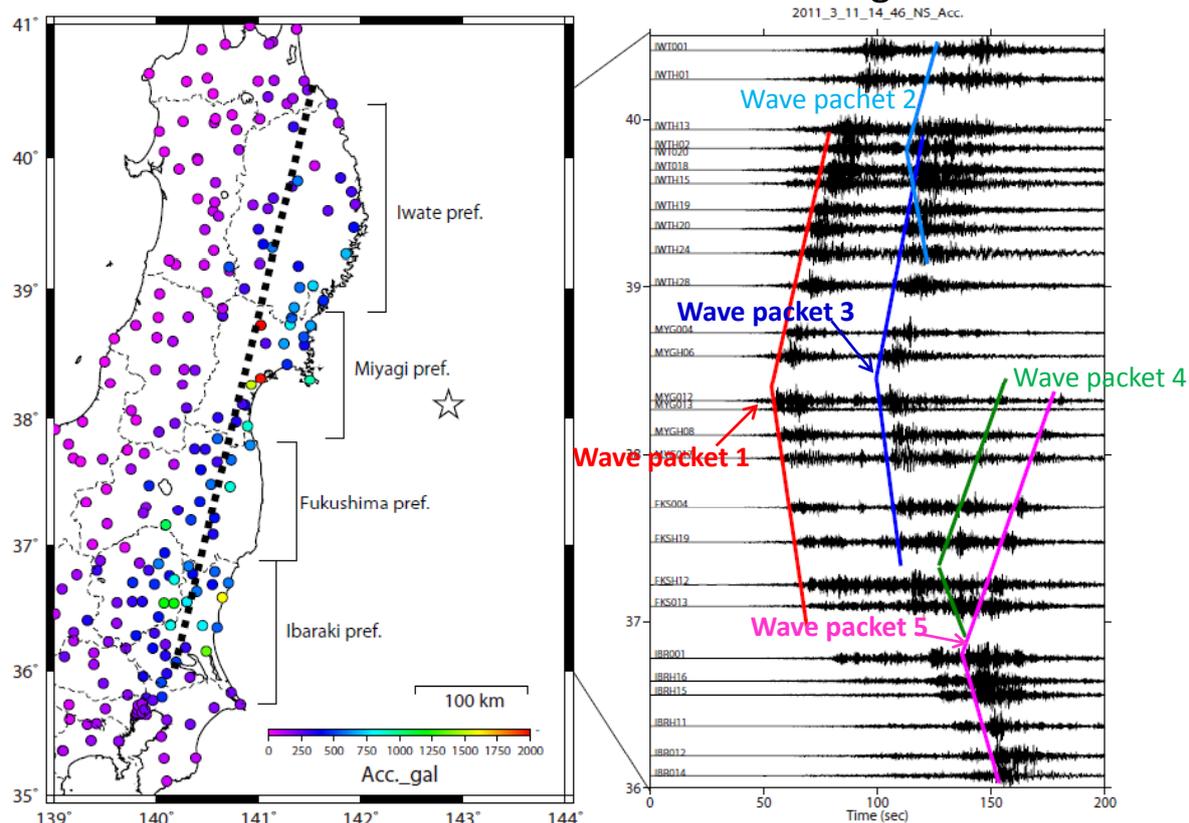


After investigation in Nishinomiya during 1995 Kobe earthquake (CDMC,2004)

## 2. Short-period source model estimated from strong motion data

- Five distinctive wavapackets were detected on strong motion sesimograms at stations near the source fault.
- The arrival azimuths of those wavepackets were estimated using the semblance analysis in several small arrays.
- The locations of strong motion generation areas (SMGAs) are coincident with the origins of those wavepackets.

### Re-estimation of Locations of SMGAs from Semblance Analysis of Wave-Packets seen in Short-Period Seismograms

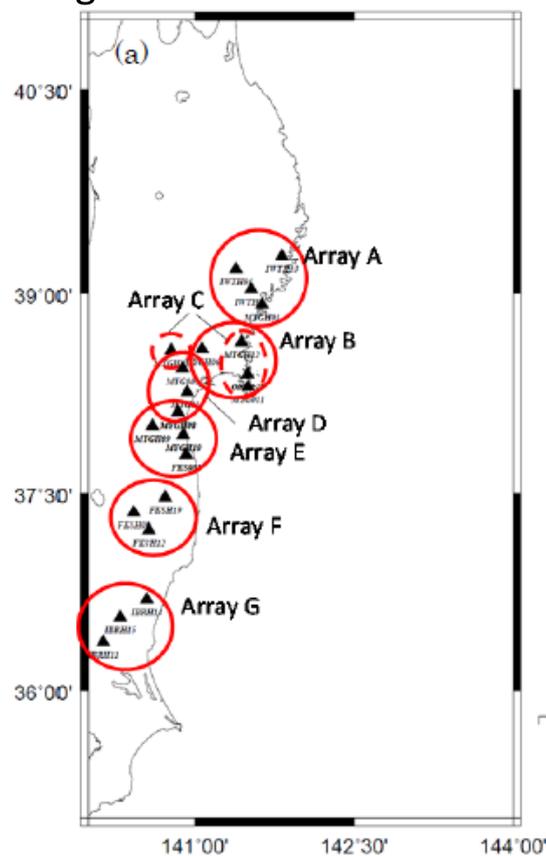


After Irikura and Kurahashi (2011)

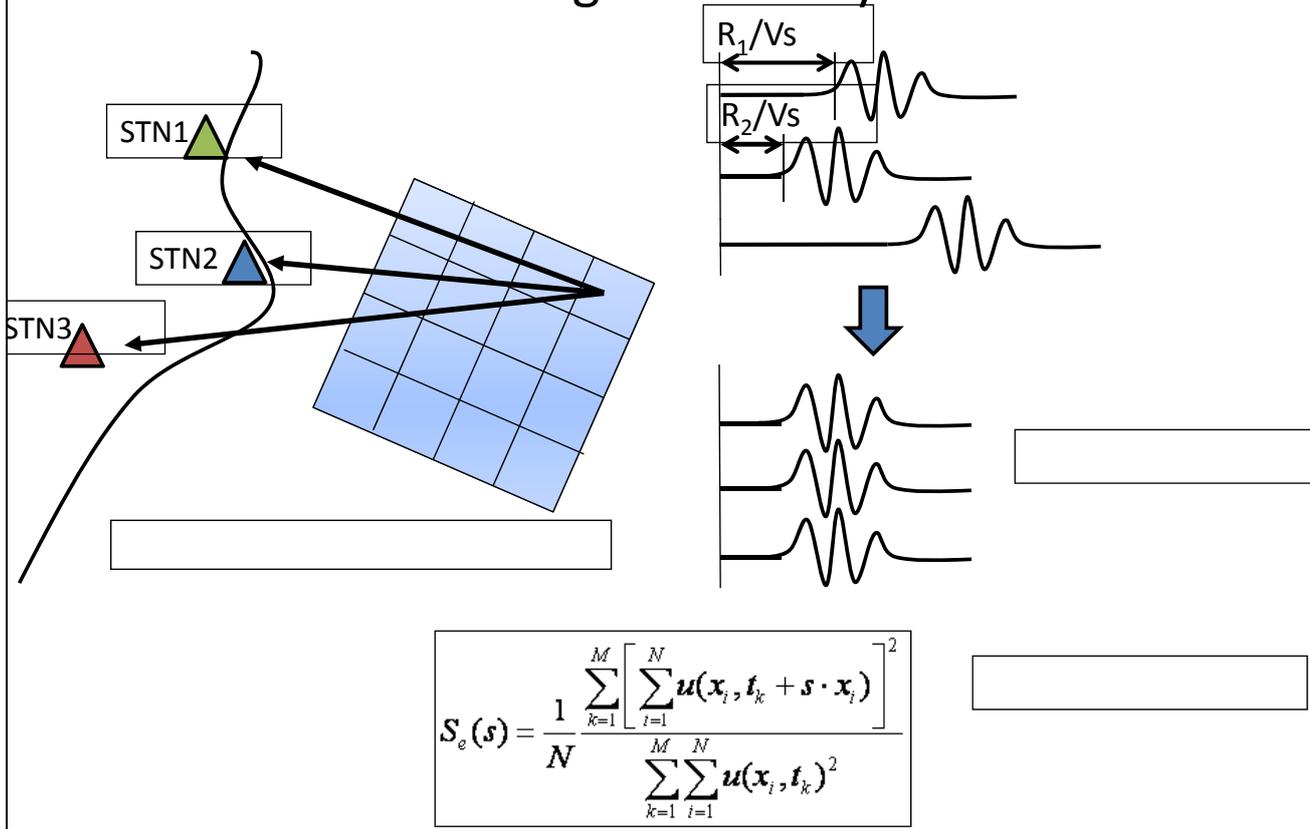
## Simulation of Strong Ground Motions during the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake Using the Empirical Green's Function Method

- Strong Motion Generation Areas are relocated using the semblance analysis of the wave-packets in small arrays.
- The observed data from medium-sized earthquakes occurring near each strong motion generation area are adopted as the empirical Green's functions.
- Strong motion records of the 2005 Miyagi-Oki earthquake (Mw 7.2) are used as the empirical Green's functions for SMGA1 (WP1) and SPGA3 (WP2).

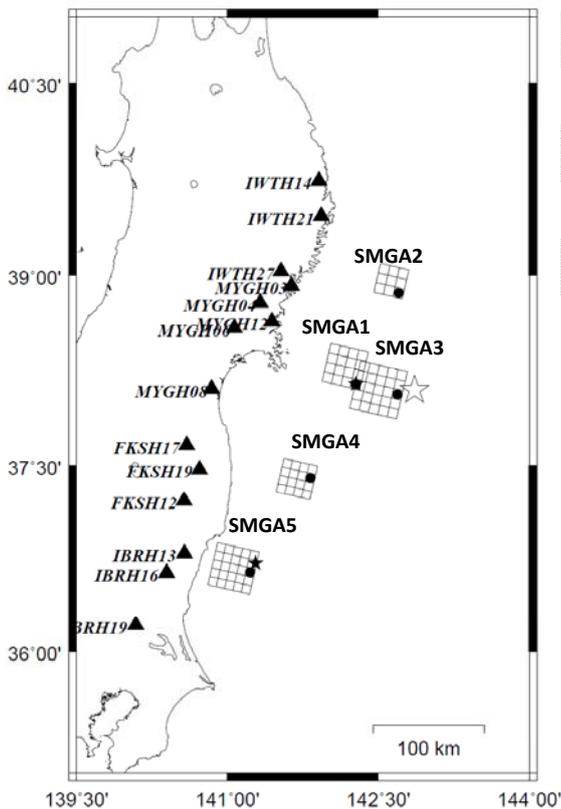
Mini-arrays (A, B, C, D, E, F, and G)  
for estimating arrival azimuths of wave-packets



# Semblance Analysis for Wave Packets using Local Arrays



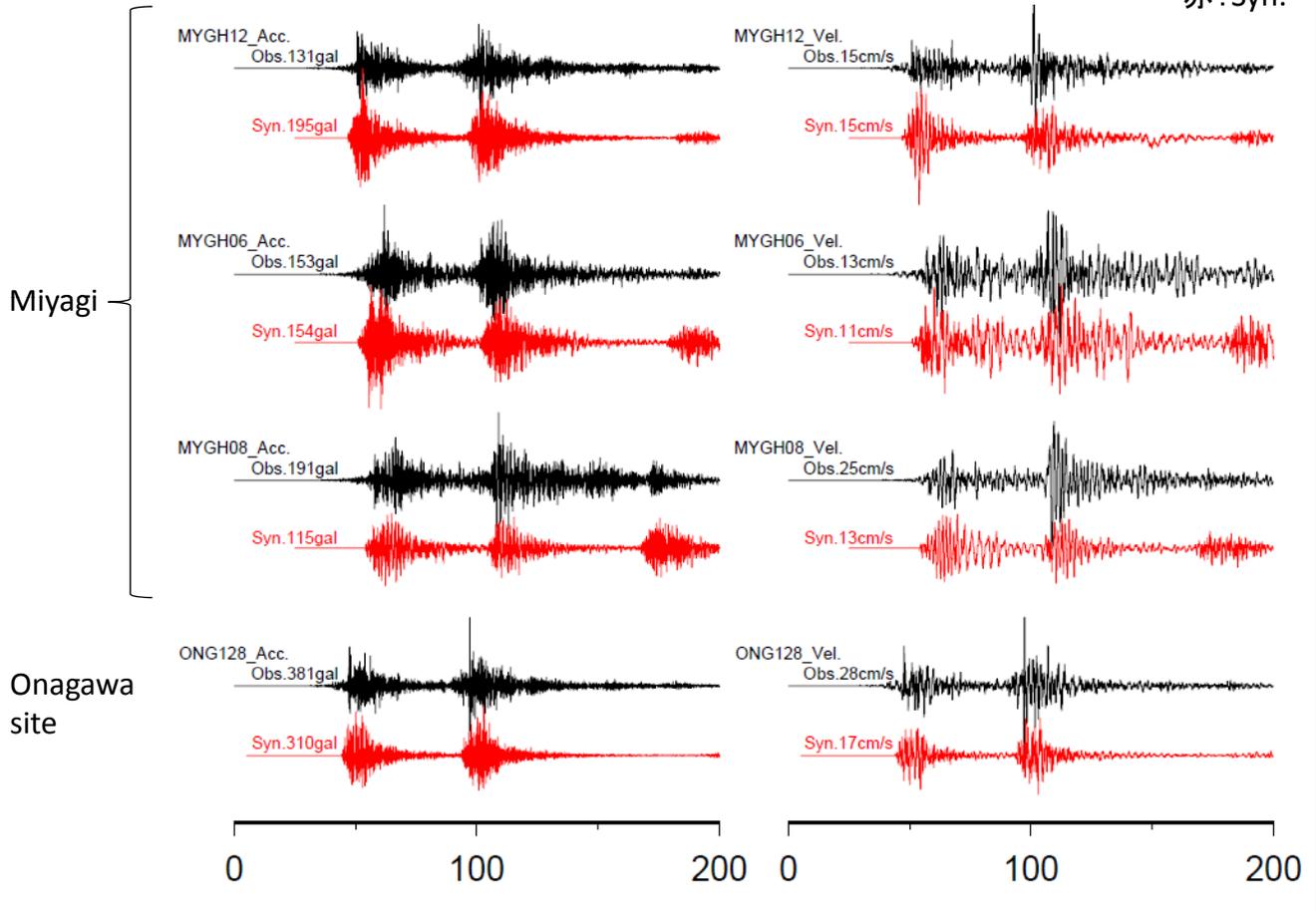
## Revised Model



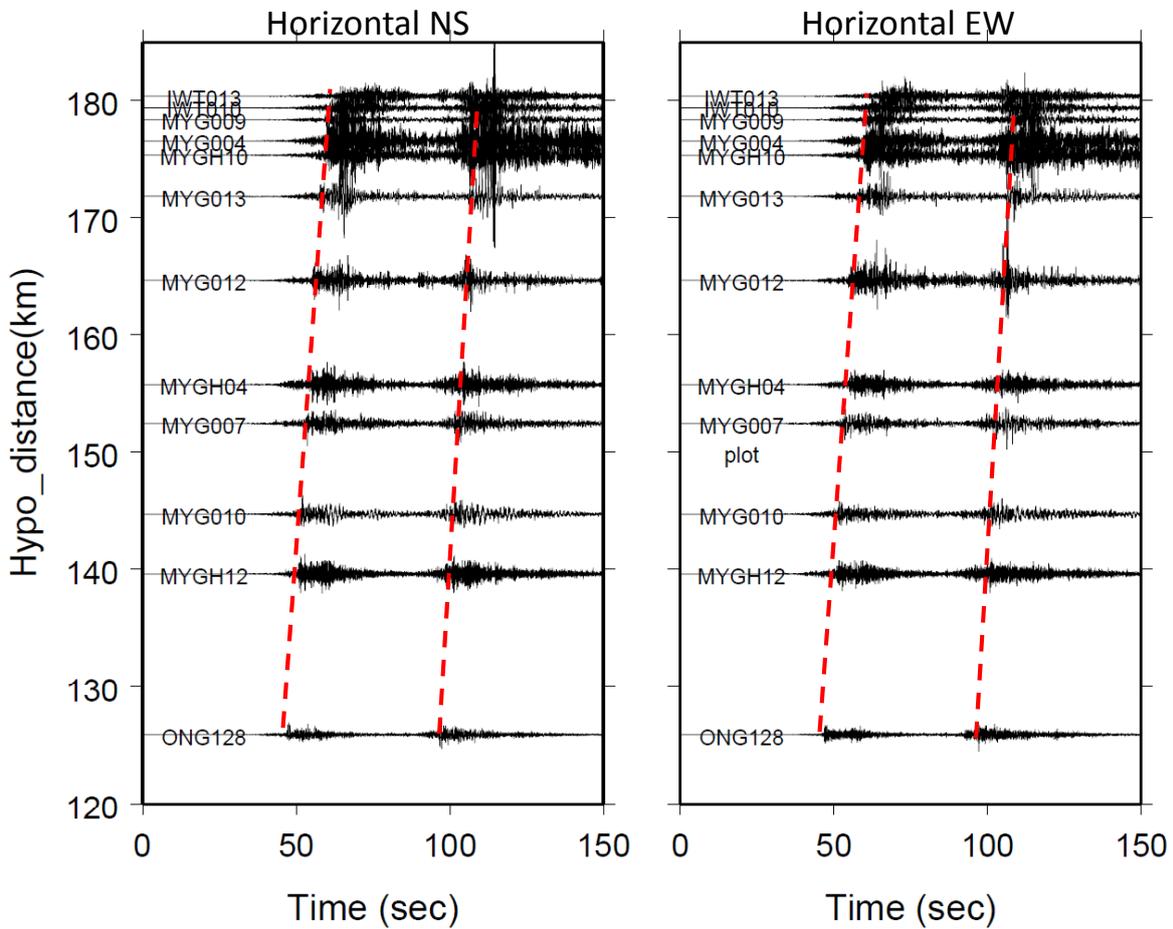
	<b>L,W</b>	<b>Mo</b>	<b>Stress drop</b>
SMGA1	34 × 34	2.68E+20	16
SMGA2	23.1 × 23.1	1.41E+20	20
SMGA3	42.5 × 42.5	6.54E+20	20
SMGA4	25.5 × 25.5	1.24E+20	25.2
SMGA5	38.5 × 38.5	5.75E+20	25.2

# Comparison of Observed and Synthesized (SMGA1,2,3のみ)

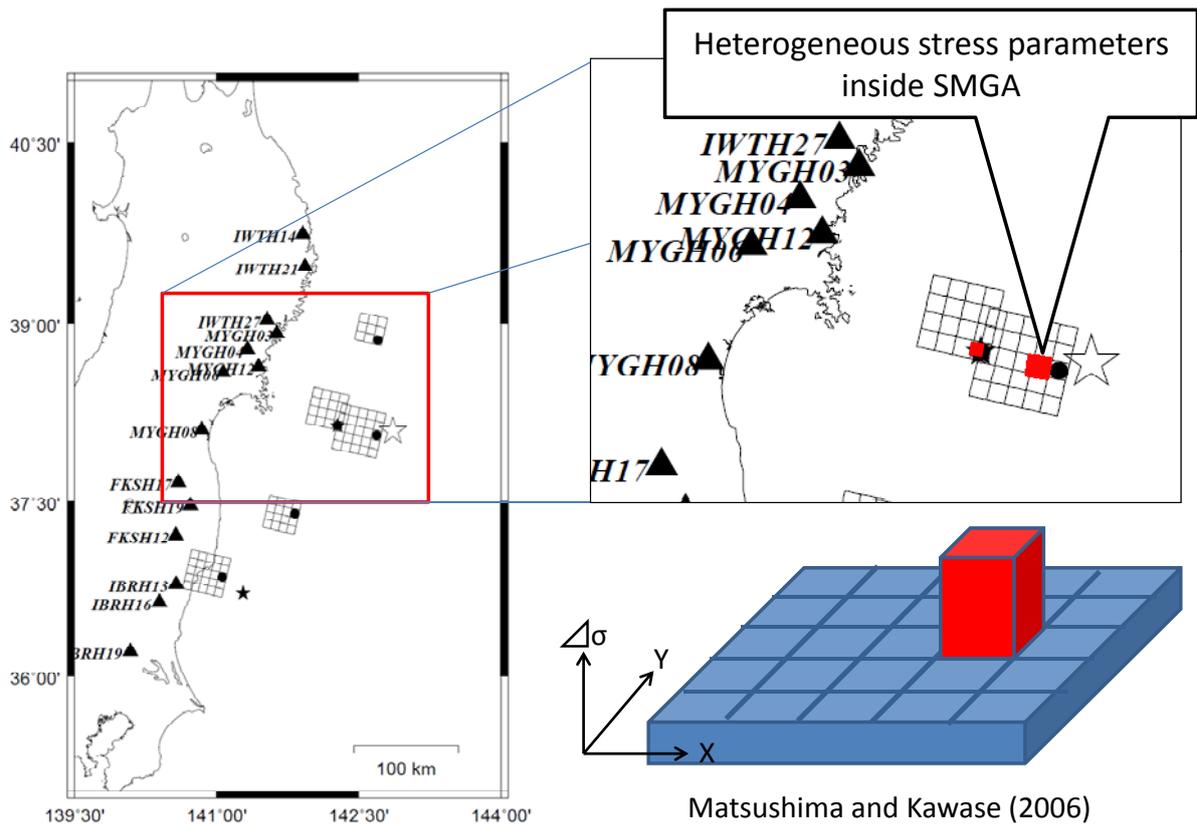
黒: Obs.  
赤: Syn.



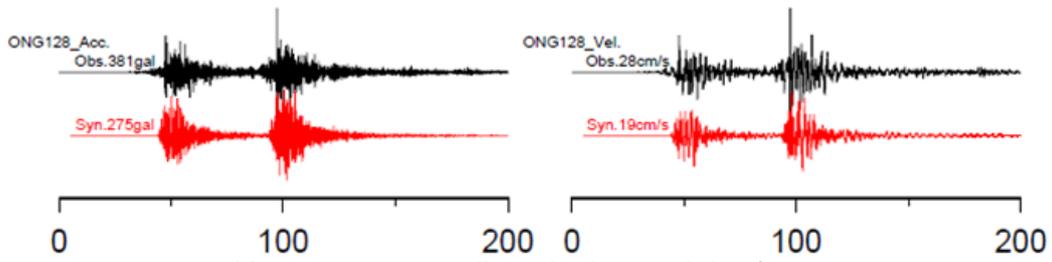
# Acceleration Records with remarkable distinctive pulses



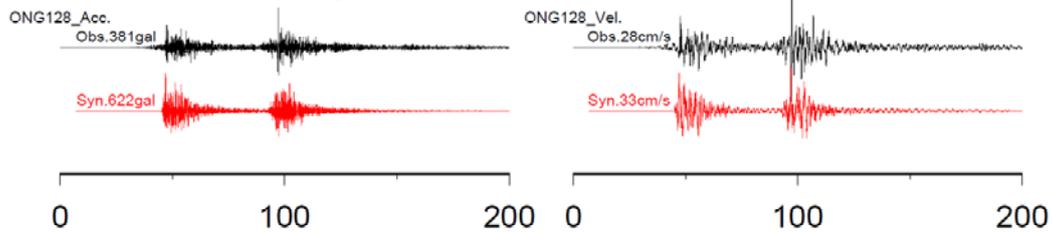
# Heterogeneity of stress parameters inside SMGA



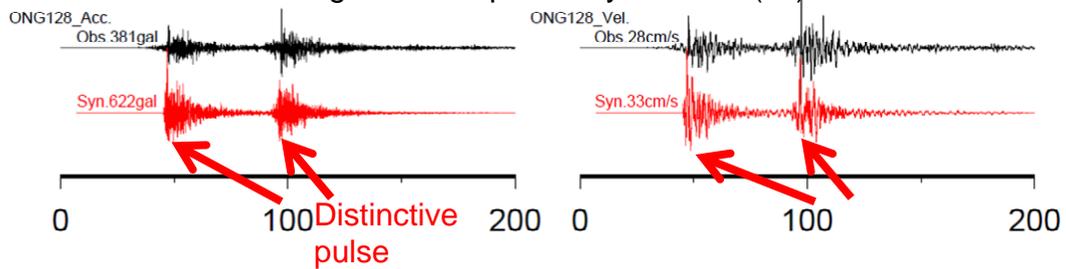
## Uniform slip velocity model



## Heterogeneous slip velocity model 1 (x2)



## Heterogeneous slip velocity model 2 (x4)

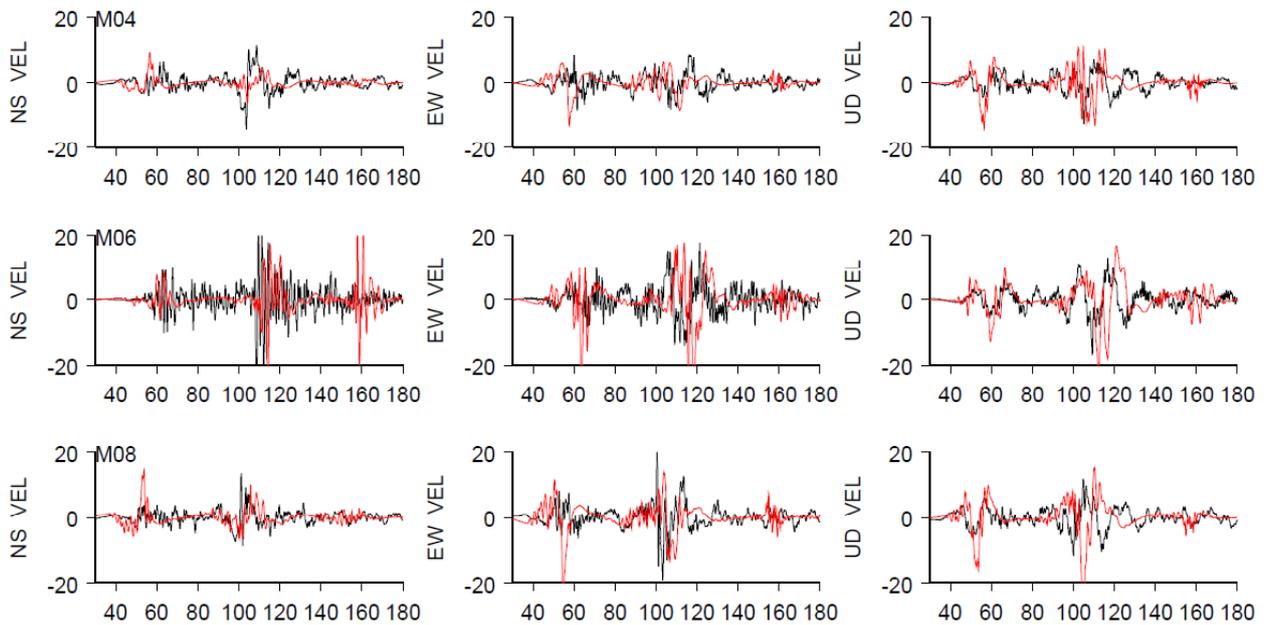




# Comparison between Observed and Synthetic Motions in Miyagi Prefecture

Frequency Range  
0.05 – 1.0 Hz

— Observed  
— Synthetic

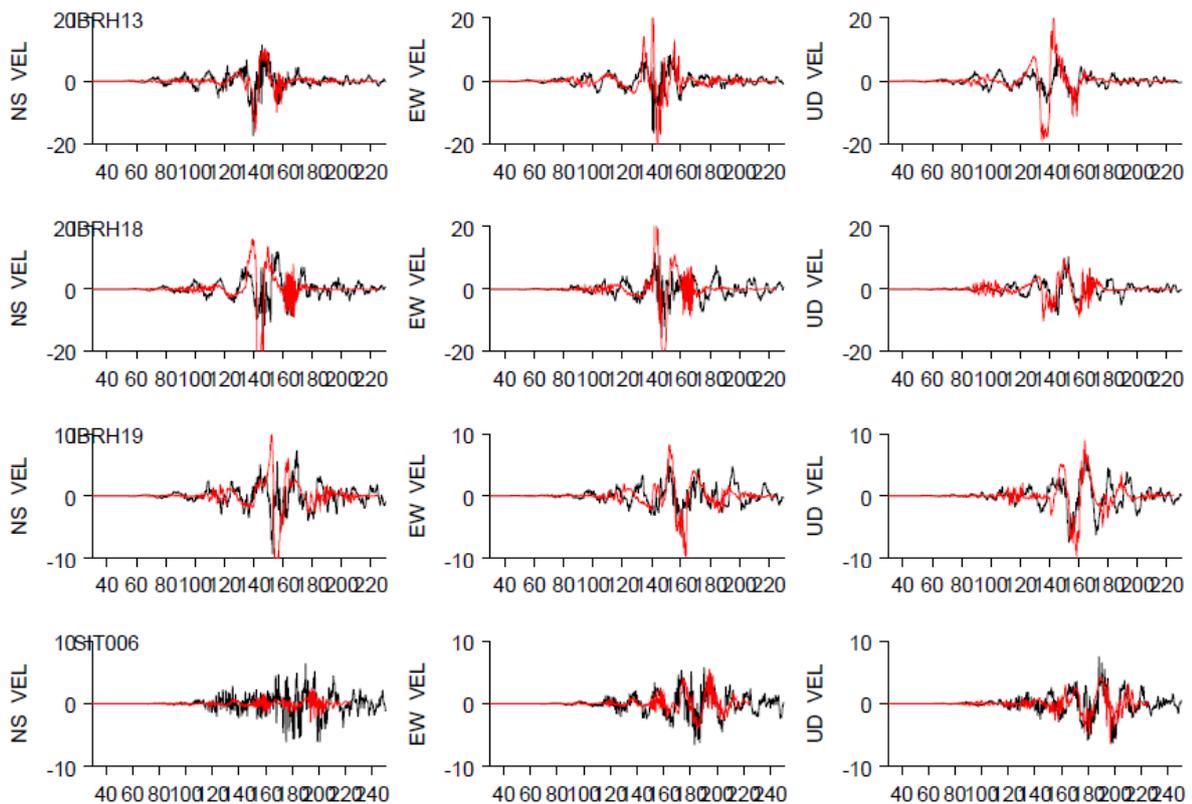


# Comparison between Observed and Synthetic Motions

— in Kanto Region

Frequency Range  
0.05 - 1Hz

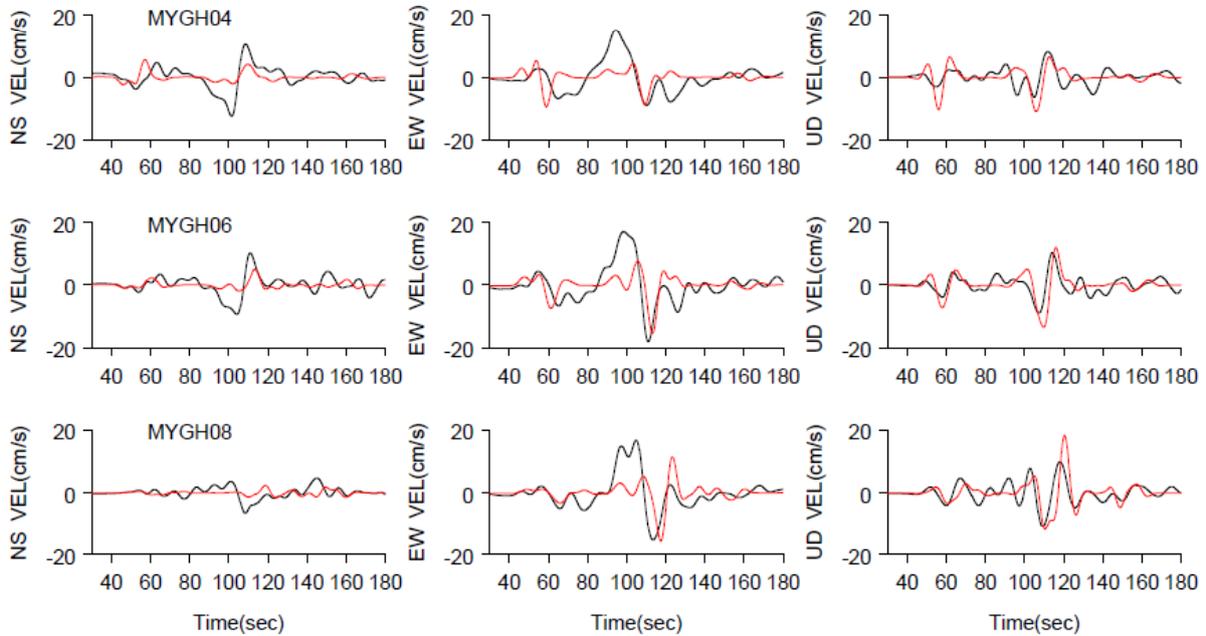
— Observed  
— Calculated



# Comparison between Observed and Synthetic Motions in Miyagi Prefecture

Frequency Range  
0.01 - 0.1Hz

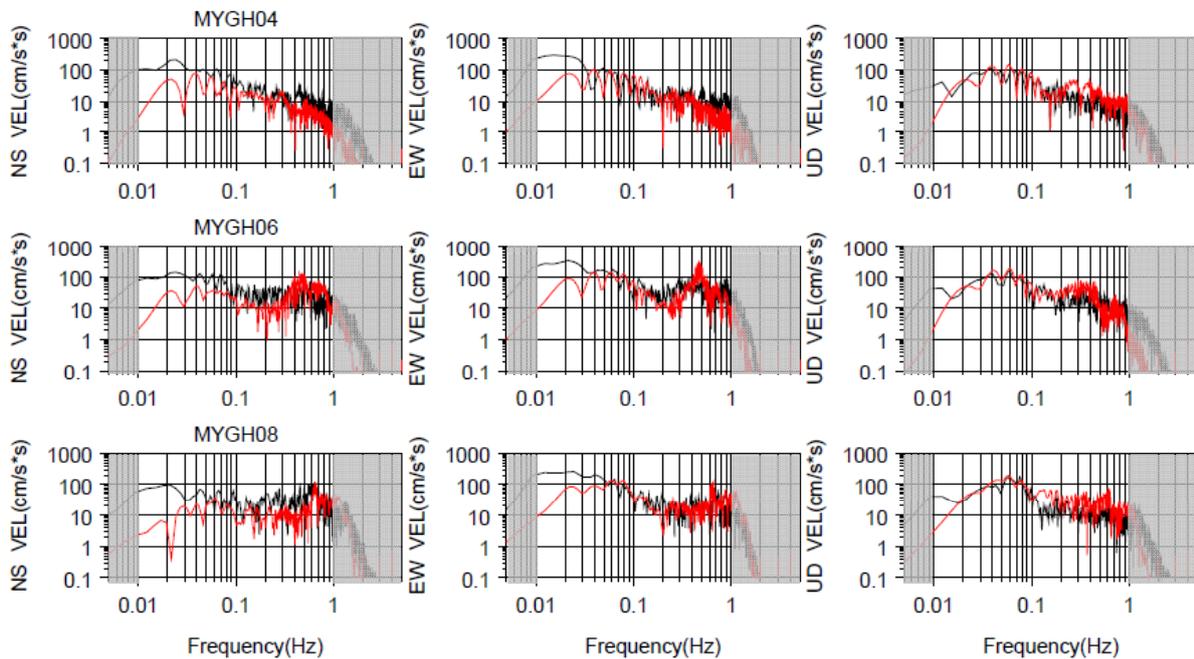
— Observed  
— Calculated



# Comparison between Observed and Synthetic Motions in Miyagi Prefecture

Frequency Range  
0.01-1Hz

— Observed  
— Synthetic



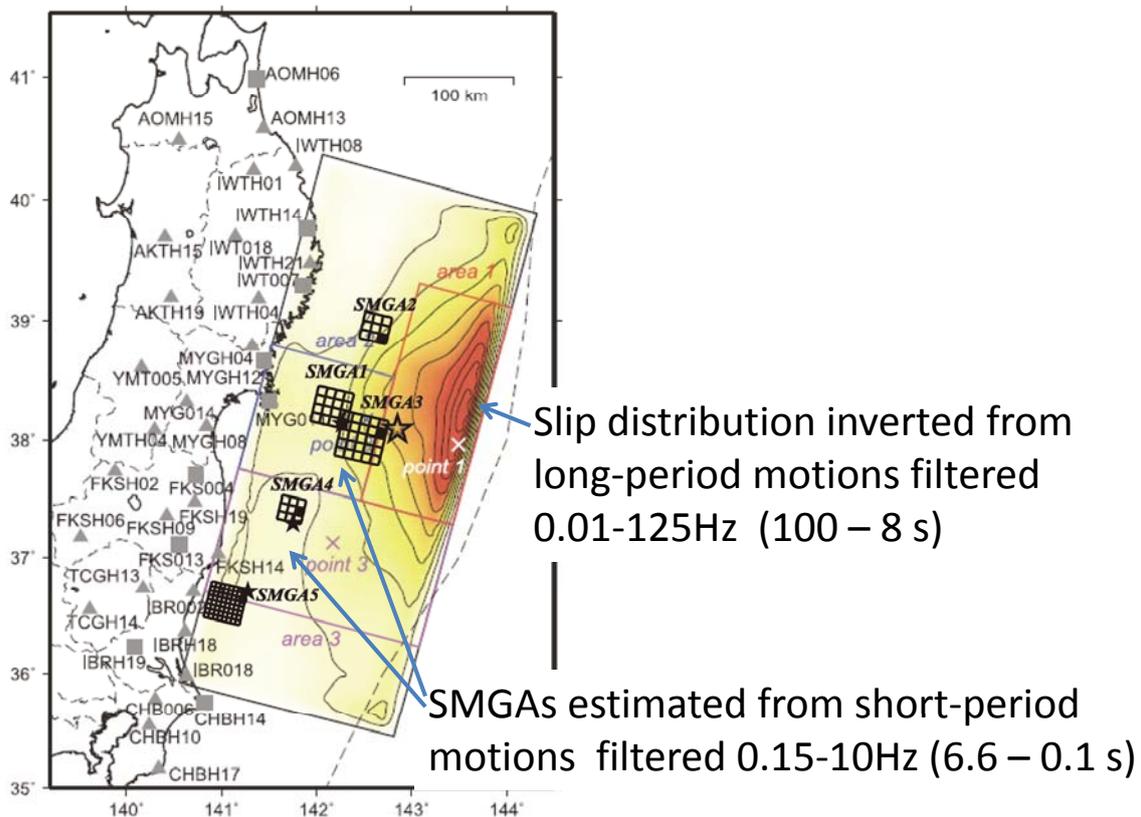
### 3. Period-dependence of rupture processes

– Comparison of short-period source model and long-period source models inverted long-period strong motion data, tsunami waveforms, geodetic data -

■ Short-period source models using backprojection of teleseismic short-period P-waves (e.g. Ishii, 2011; Honda et al., 2011)

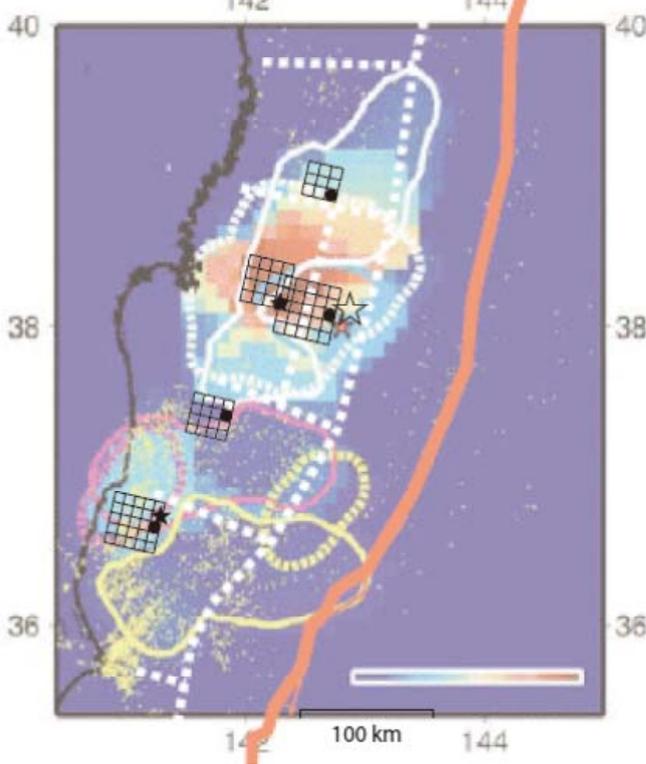
■ Long-period source models inverted from tsunami data (Fujii et al., 2012), geodetic data (Iinuma et al., 2012) and joint data (Yokota et al.)

Comparison between slip distribution using long-period motions (Suzuki et al, 2011) and SMGAs in this study

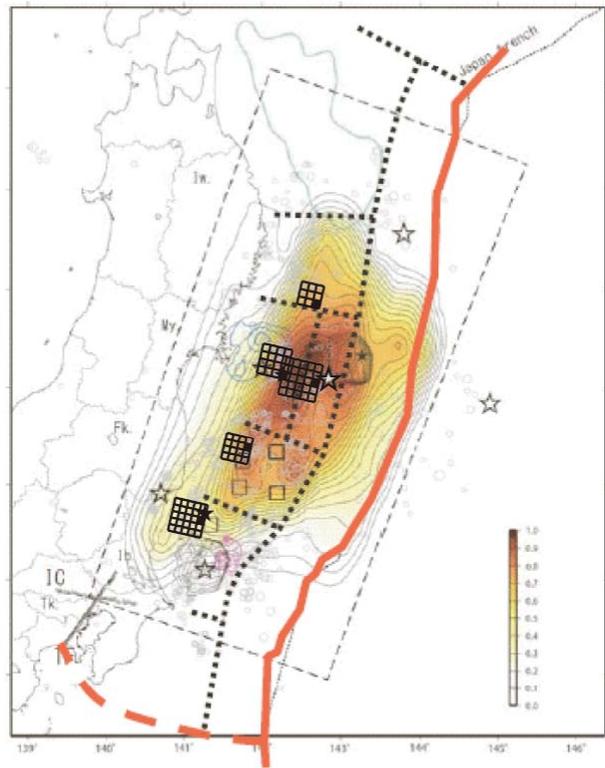


Comparison of Short-Period Source Model in This Study with Short-Period Released Energy by the back-projection method

US Array Data by Ishii (2011)

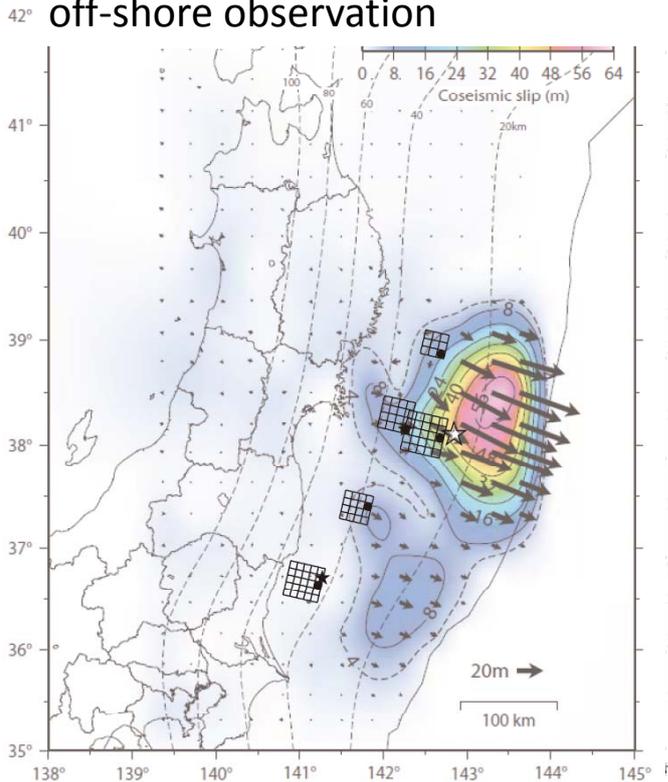


Kanto Array Data by Hoda et al, (2011)



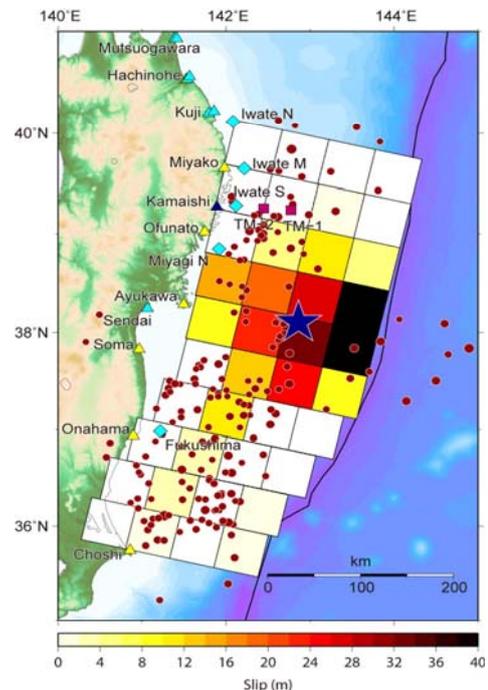
Slip Distribution of the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake

DPS data including inland and off-shore observation



Geographical Institute (2011)

Tsunami Waveform Data



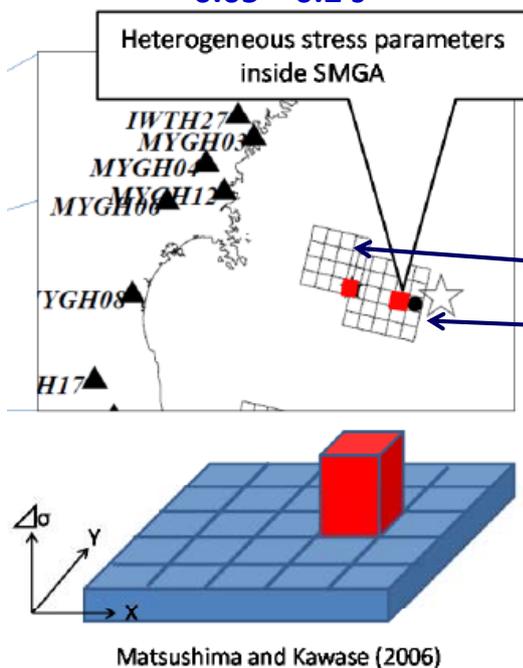
Fujii and Satake (2011)

#### 4. Recipe of predicting strong ground motions for subduction-zone megathrust earthquakes

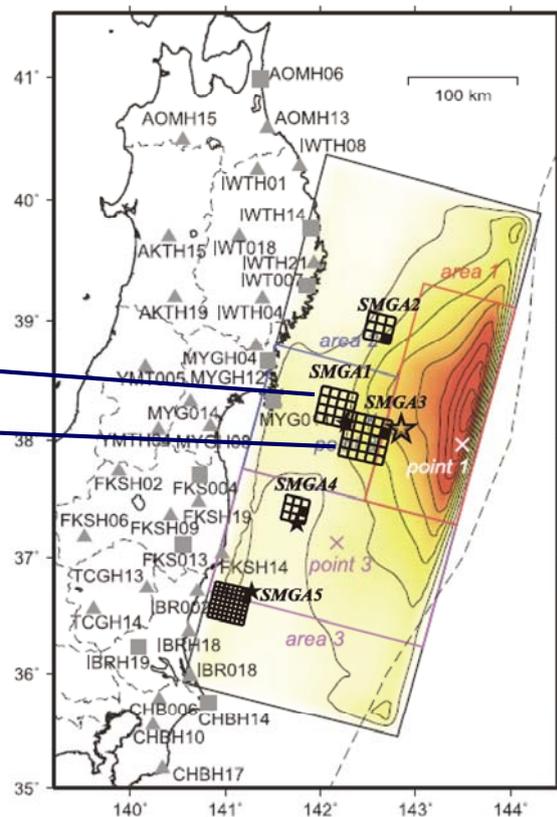
- Rupture process of subduction-zone megathrust earthquakes show period-dependence.
- New source image for period-dependent source process is expressed as multi-step heterogeneous-source-model.
- Strong ground motions of engineering interest in the period-range from 0.1 to 10 sec are estimated using the basic characteristic source model with outer-fault parameters and inner fault parameters, that is, just one step heterogeneity source model.

#### Multi-Step Heterogeneous Source Model - 1

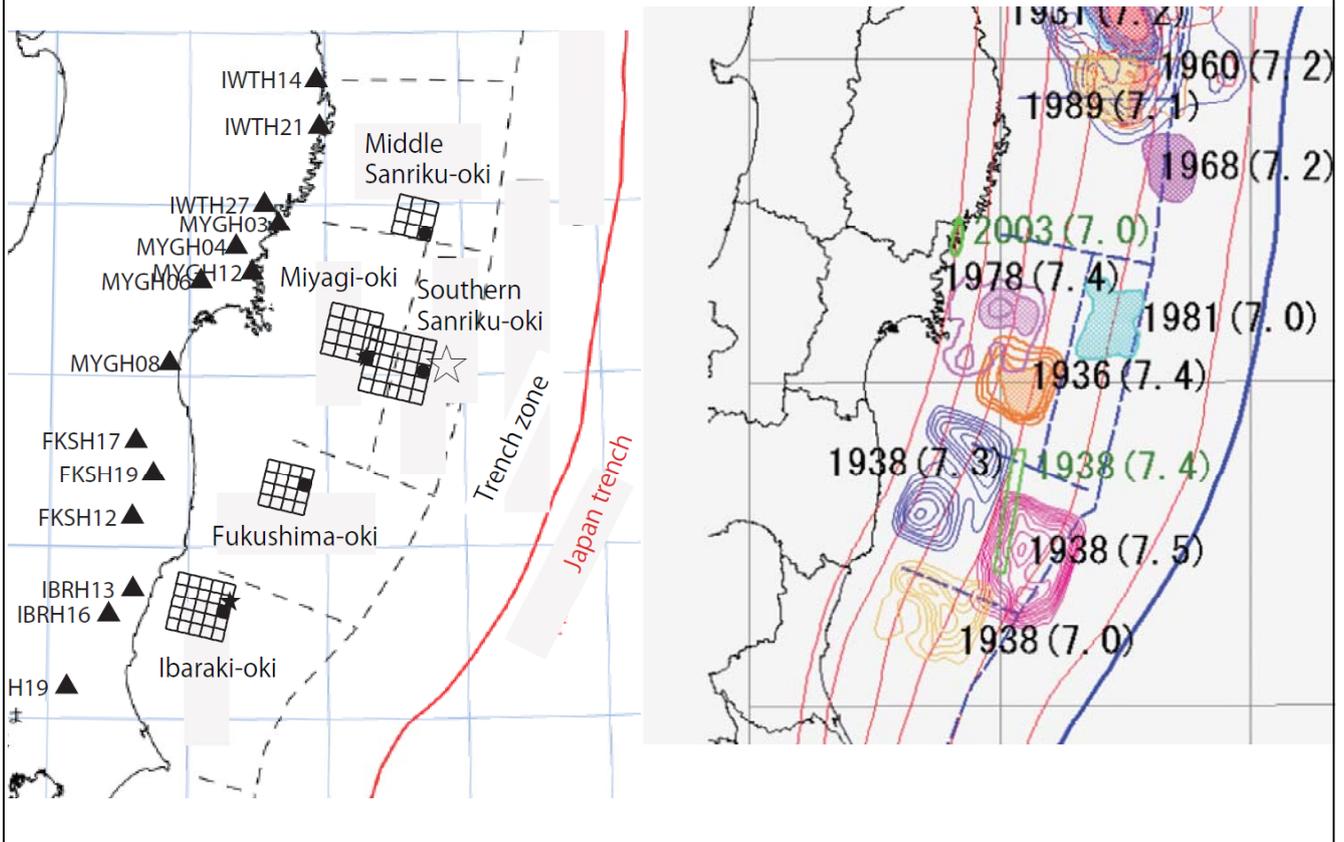
**Second step: Heterogeneity model for very short-periods 0.05 – 0.2 s**



**First step: Heterogeneity model for short periods 0.1 – 20 s**



## Comparison between SMGAs in this study and source locations of past earthquakes off the Pacific coast of Tohoku

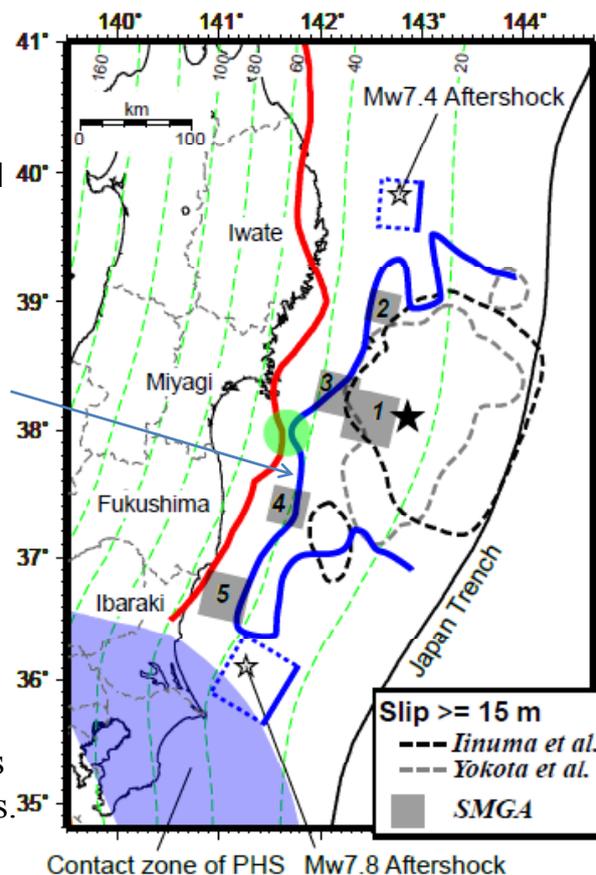


## Heterogeneous Model for Broad-band Motions from 0.1 to 10 s

The SMGAs are located along outer edge of the large slip delineated based on the seismicity rate (Kato and Igarashi, 2012)

Blue solid line is the outer edge of the large-slip zone of the mainshock, ~35 km.

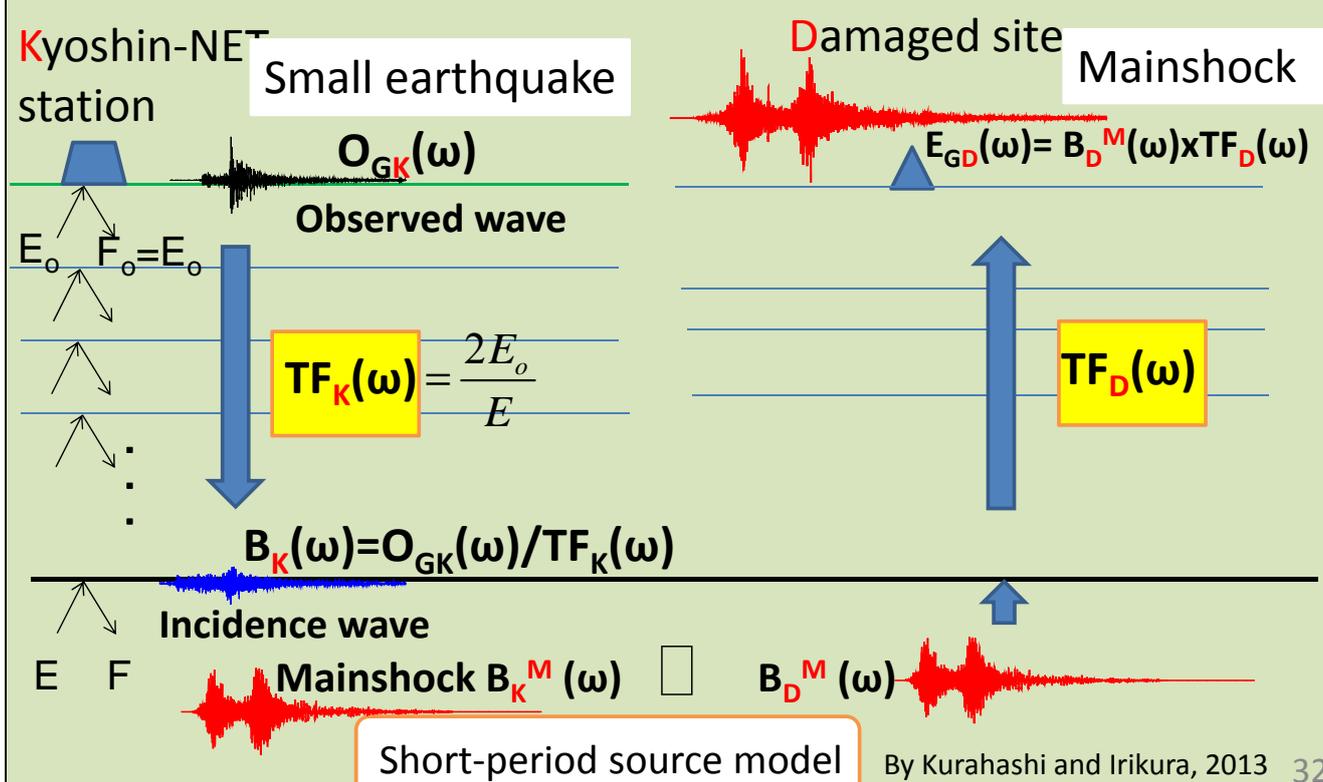
Stress parameter ( $\sigma_a$ ) on strong motion generation areas is given as ~26 MPa from the empirical relations for mega-thrust earthquakes.



## 5. Estimation of strong ground motions at damaged sites during 2013 Tohoku earthquake

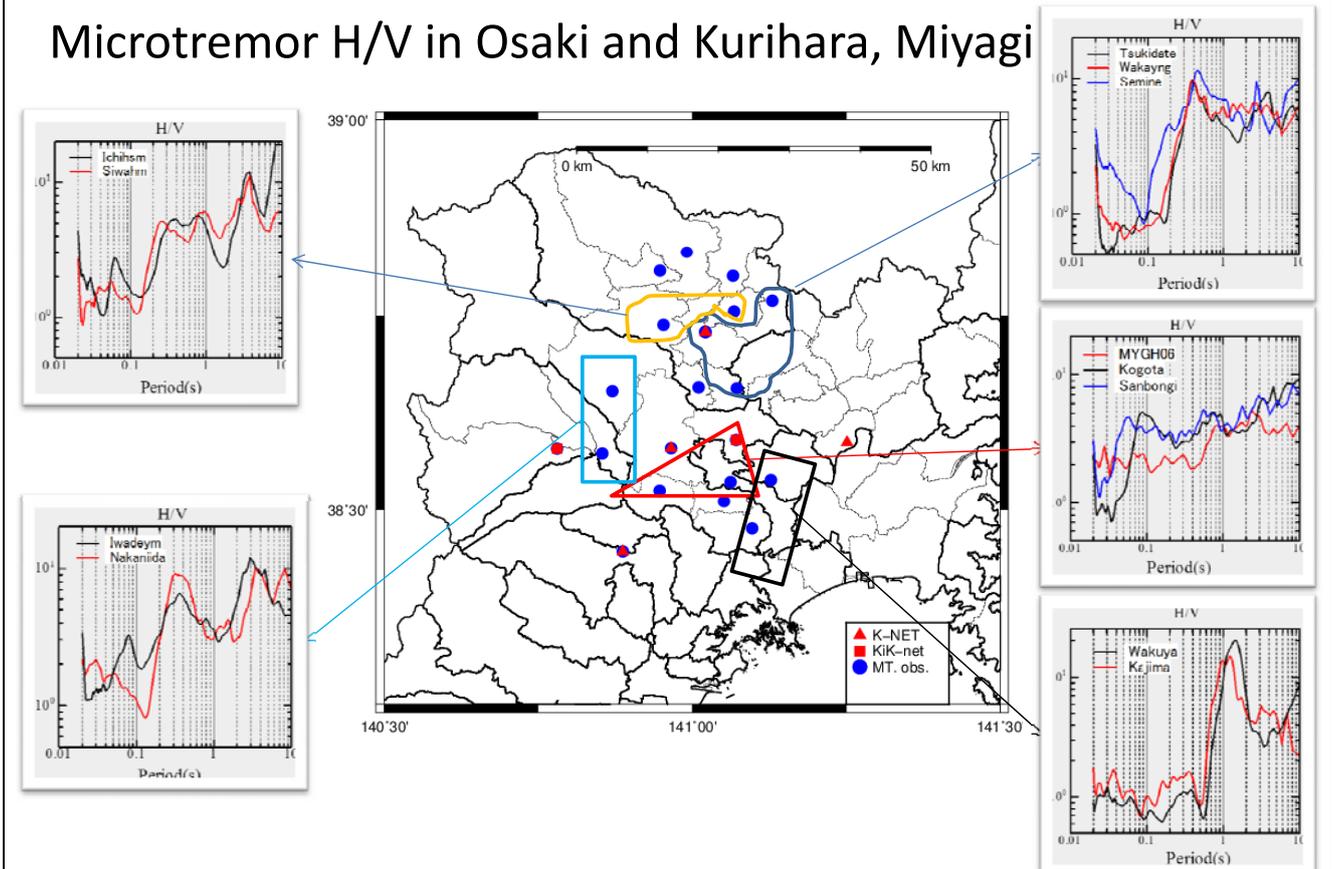
- **Velocity structures beneath strong motion stations** are identified by use of **earthquake H/V spectral ratios** (Kawase et al., 2011).
- Empirical Green's functions at bedrock beneath the strong motion station are calculated with observed ground motions on the surface from small events and transfer functions between surface and bedrock.
- The transfer functions at damaged sites are calculated from **velocity structures beneath the sites using microtremor H/V** (Arai and Tokimatsu, 2000; Sanchez-Sesma, et al, 2011).
- Ground motions at damaged sites during the mainshock are calculated the transfer functions, the empirical Green's functions and the short-period source model of the mainshock.

### 3.1 Methodology of estimating ground motions at damaged sites during the mainshock



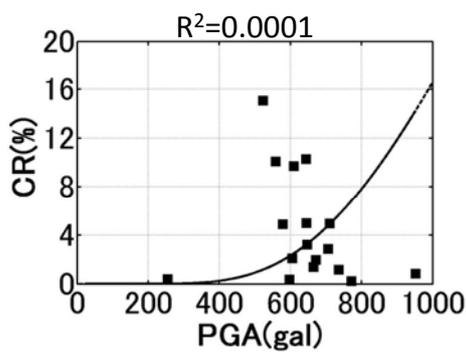
# Microtremor measurement

Microtremor H/V in Osaki and Kurihara, Miyagi

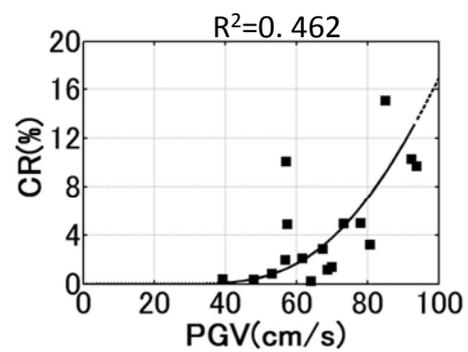


## 4.3 Fragility curves in subdistricts

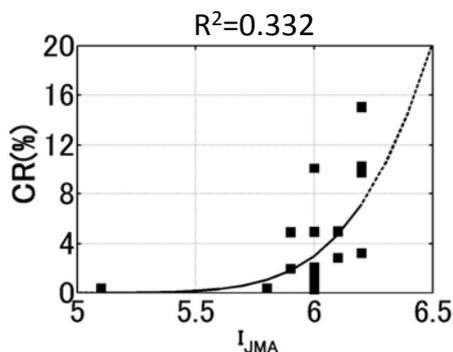
CR: Collapse ratio



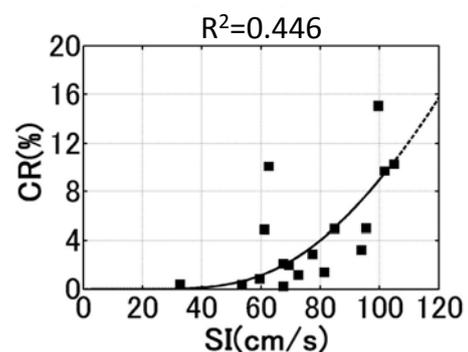
Peak **G**round **A**cceleration



Peak **G**round **V**elocity



**JMA** Seismic **I**ntensity



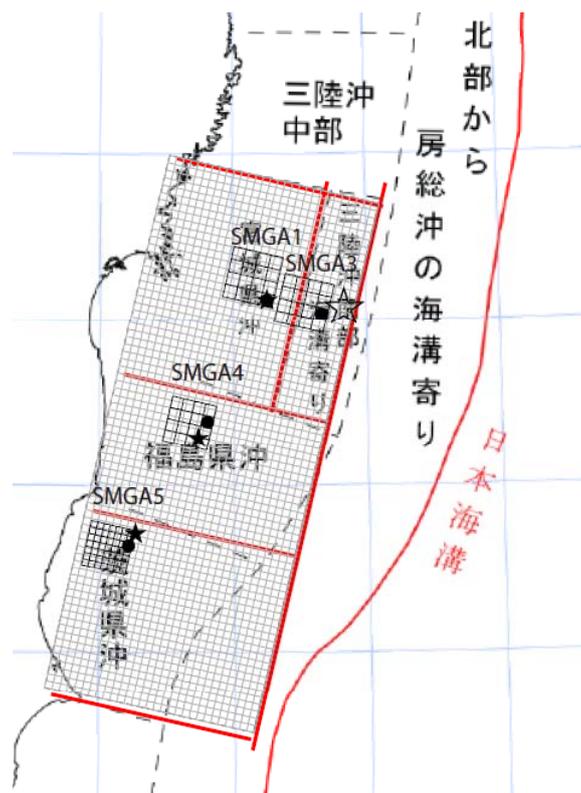
**S**pectral **I**ntensity

## Summary

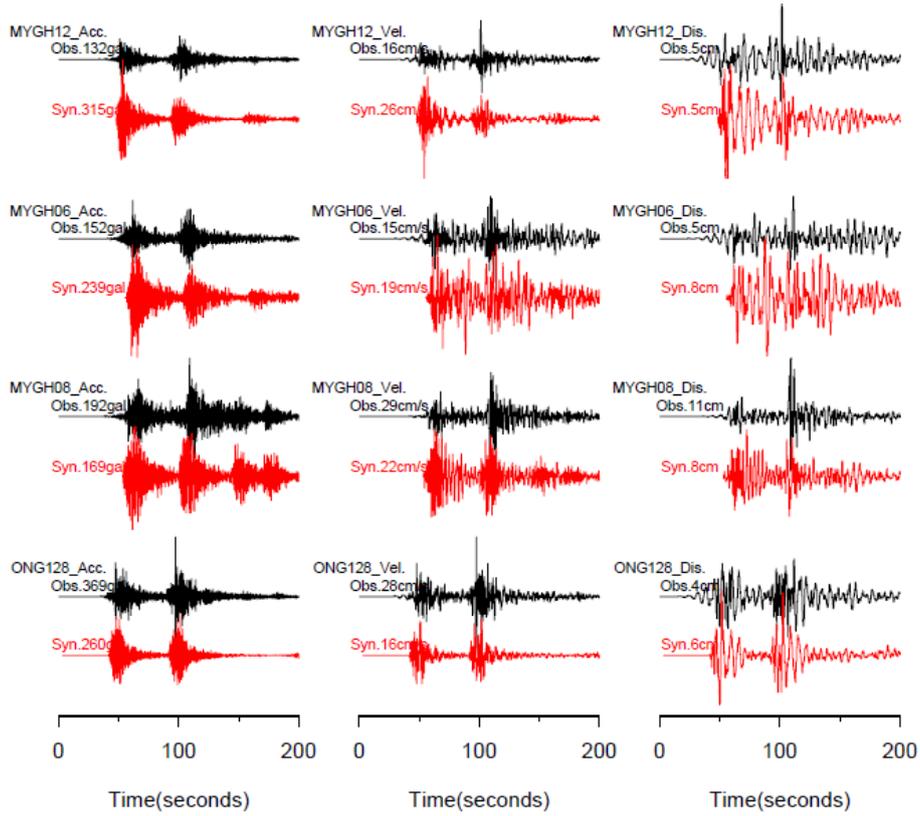
1. The 2011 Tohoku earthquake (Mw 9.0) produced devastating tsunami waves, causing 16,500 fatalities (including missing) and serious damage to nearby Fukushima nuclear power plants. Extremely strong and long-duration ground motions were also generated, but damage due to strong ground motions were relatively less.
2. Short-period source model of the 2011 Tohoku earthquake (Mw 9.0) have five distinctive strong –motion-generation areas (SMGAs) fitting observed acceleration and velocity records to synthetic motions. The SMGAs are located west of the hypocenter and along the down-dip edge of the source fault. Synthetic motions from the SMGAs match well with observed motions in the period-range from 0.1 to 10 sec.
3. Period-dependence of rupture process was found, that is large slips in shallow zones of the source fault near the trench west of the hypocenter and short-period generation in deeper zones west of the hypocenter.
4. Strong ground motions of engineering interest in the period-range from 0.1 to 10 sec are estimated using the characteristic source model with outer-fault parameters and inner fault parameters as the recipe of predicting strong ground motions for subduction earthquakes.

## Basic Characterized Source Model

### Step 1: Heterogeneous Model for Broad-band Motions from 0.1 to 10 sec



## Comparison between observed and synthetic waveforms in the region near the source fault (Miyagi and Onagawa)



## Comparison of Seismic Intensity between Observed and Synthetics

