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Real-time coseismic fault model estimation based on RTK-GNSS analysis in Japan

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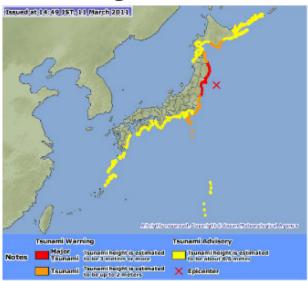
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Underestimation of Tsunami warning for the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake (Mw 9.0)

Warning at 3 minutes

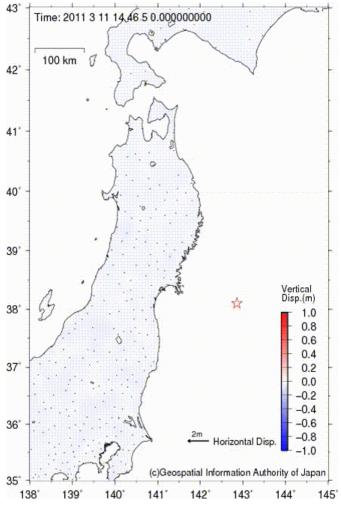


Reasons:

- tsunami warning depended on magnitude based on short period seismometers
- Used a saturated magnitude (M7.9)

How to prevent the saturation problem?

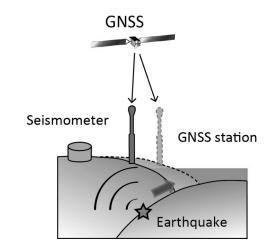
Prevention of the Magnitude Saturation



(www.gsi.go.jp/cais/chikakuhendo40010.html)

Real-time Kinematic GNSS provides:

- Real-time displacement
- Finite fault model
- Mw free from saturation problem



GEONET

Japan's official CORS (GNSS) network



- 1,318 stations
- Distributed at 20 km intervals
- Continuous observation
- Real-time communication

Enables **real-time finite fault estimations** based on GNSS data



Provision of finite fault model within 3 minutes to improve tsunami warning



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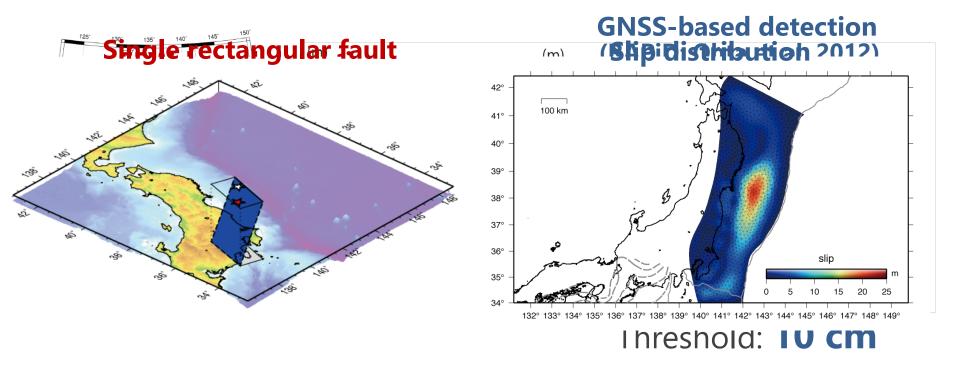
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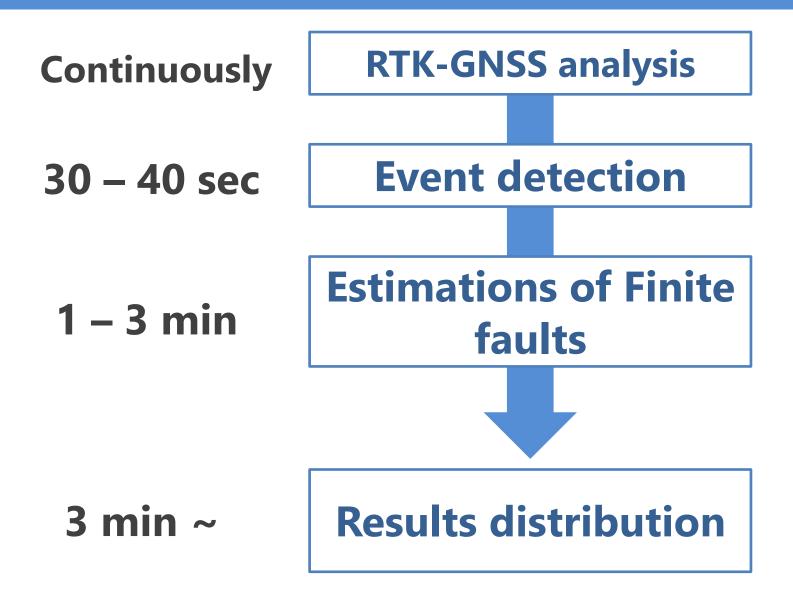
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Provides Mw within 3 minutes

- Calculates 1Hz displacement by RTK
- Detects earthquake events
- Estimates fault model automatically



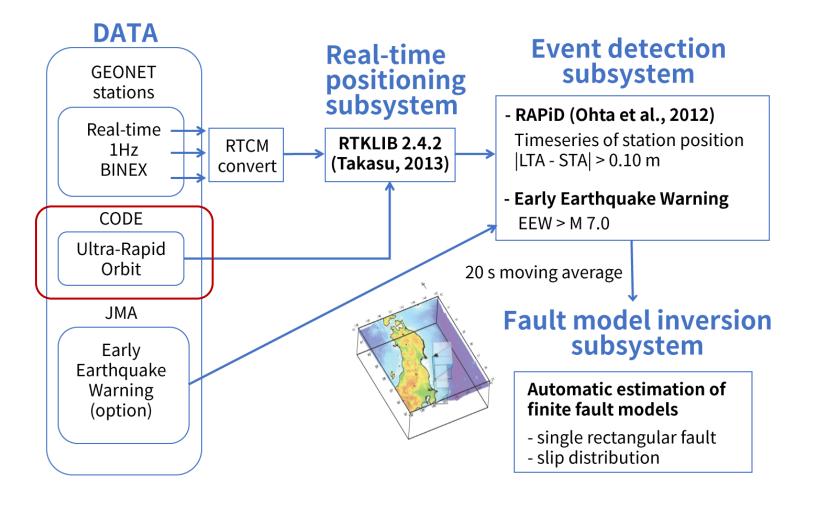
Basic concept of the system



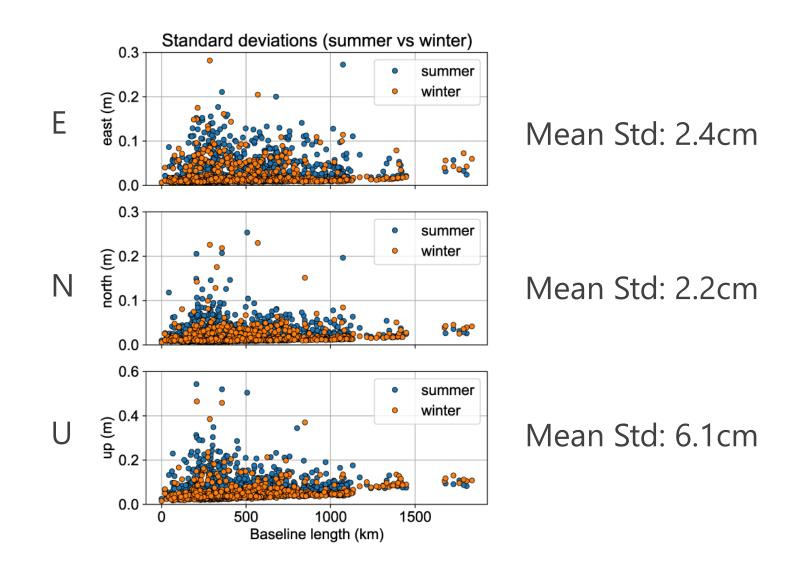
Importance of ultra-rapid orbit

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REGARD system depends on **ultra-rapid orbit** (predicted part) for precise positioning



Positioning precision of REGARD





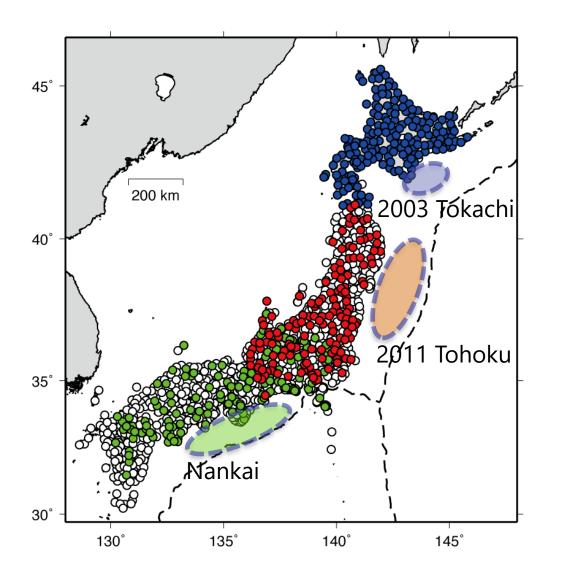
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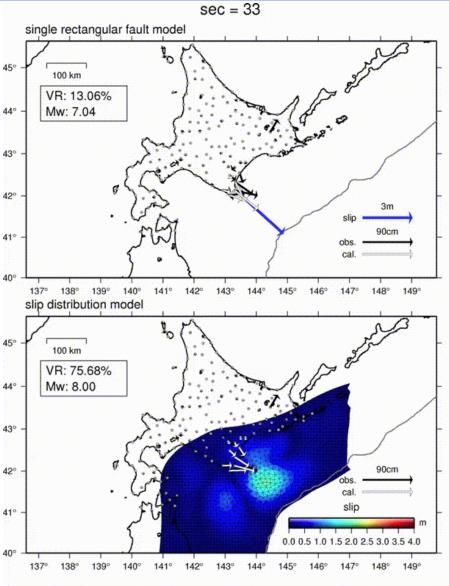
Tests for past large earthquakes



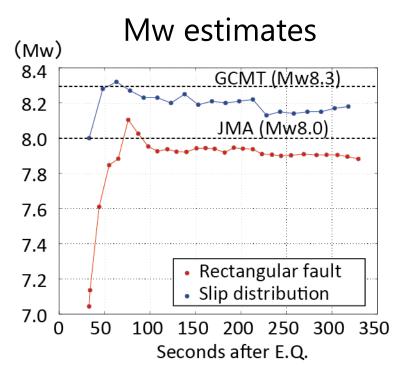
• 2003 Tokachi-oki earthquake (Mw 8.3)

- 2011 Tohoku earthquake (Mw 9.0)
- Nankai Trough earthquake (Mw 8.7; simulation data)

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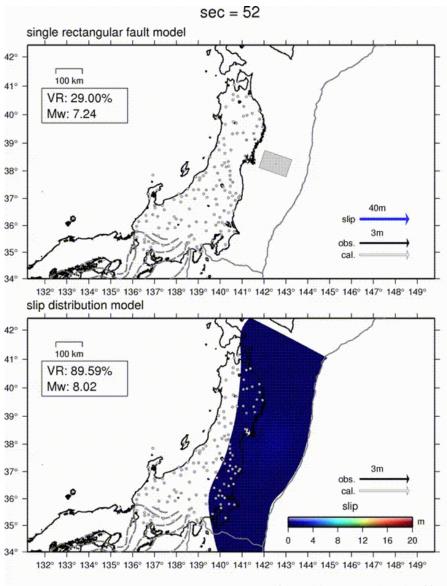


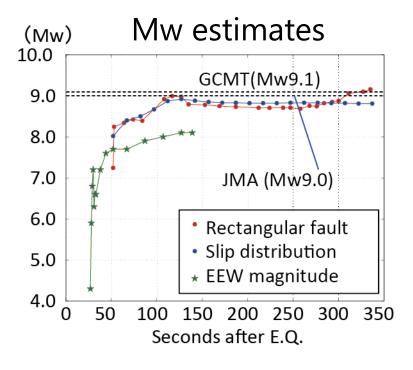
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- Both models were stable with high VRs
- Single rectangular fault was smaller because it converged to a shallower depth

2011 Tohoku earthquake (Mw 9.0)





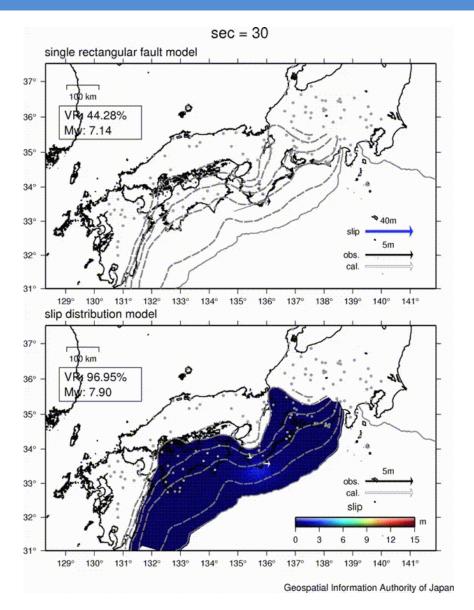
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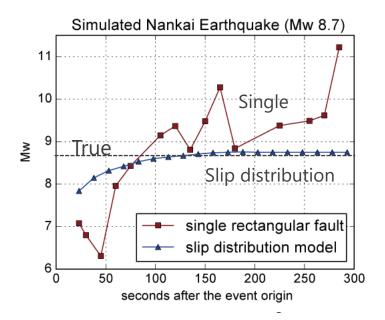
Stable after 120 seconds

Single fault: Mw 9.03 (VR 96%) Slip distribution: Mw 8.83 (VR 99%)

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Nankai Trough earthquake (Mw8.7)





Slip distribution model provided accurate Mw

 Single rectangular fault was unstable due to the complex plate boundary and slip



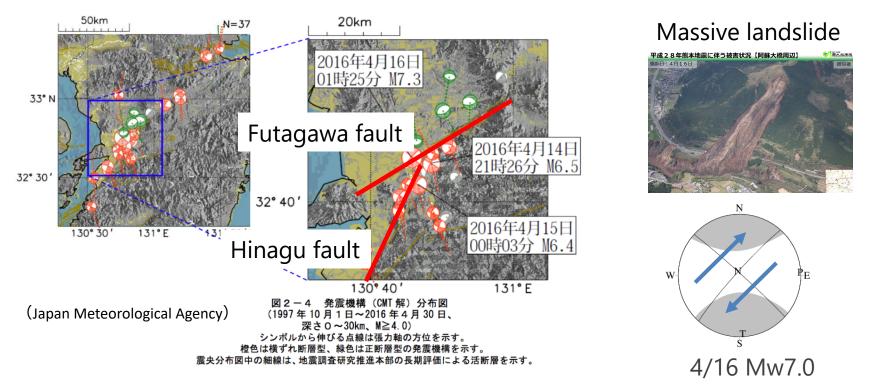
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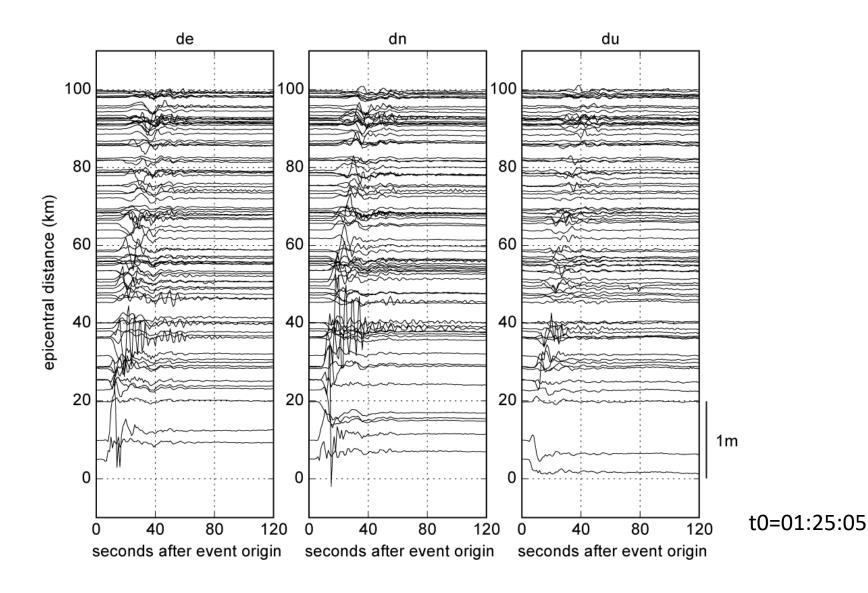
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The 2016 Kumamoto earthquake (M7.3; Mw7.0)



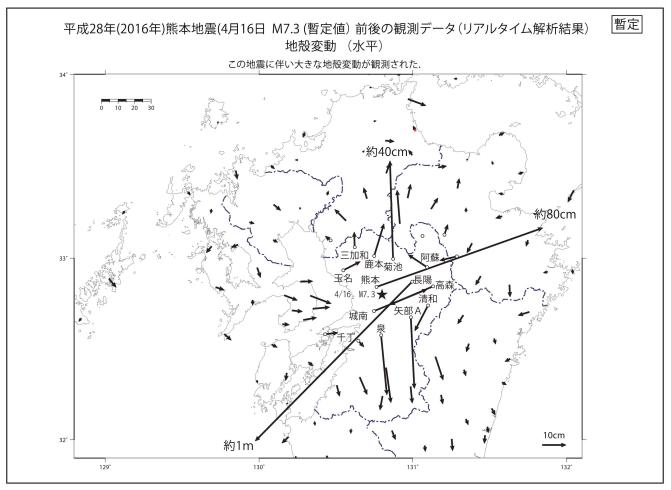
- Two large foreshocks (M6.5 on April 14, M6.4 on April 15)
- The mainshock (M7.3) caused significant damage
- NE-SW right lateral strike slip along the Futagawa-Hinagu fault zone

Coseismic displacements by GNSS



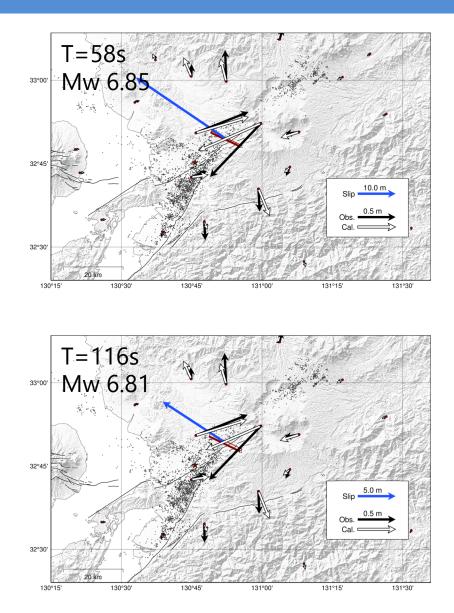
Coseismic displacements due to the mainshock

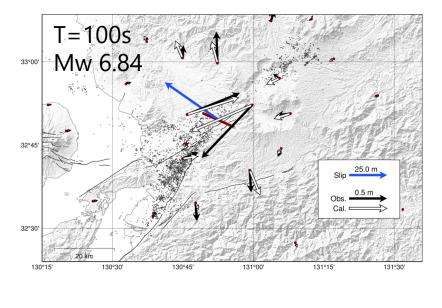
Significant horizontal displacements of up to 1m

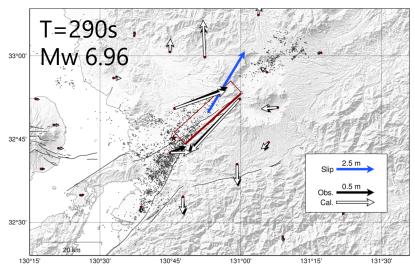


Observed displacements published on the GSI website

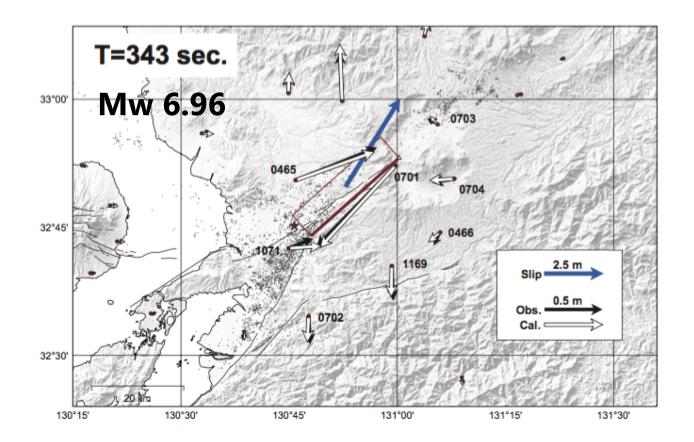
Real-time inversion results





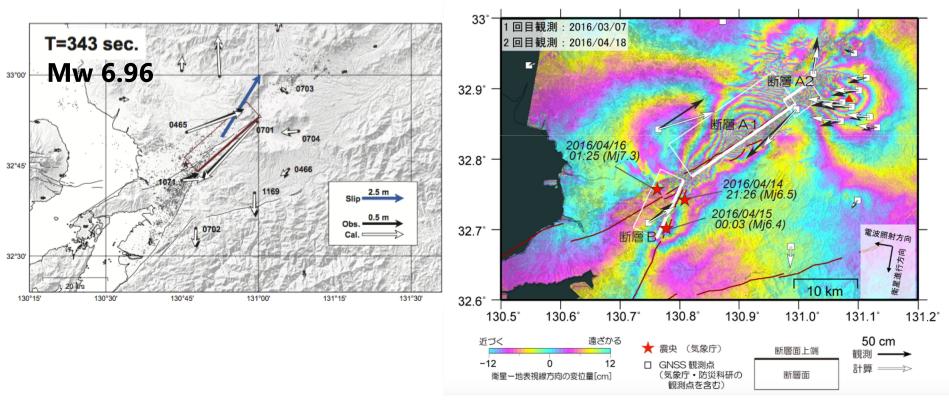


²² Final model for Kumamoto EQ (Mw 7.0)



Provided right-lateral slip fault model along the Futagawa fault segment **within ~5 minutes**

Final model vs post-processed model



http://www.gsi.go.jp/common/000140781.pdf

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Consistent with the post-processed fault model inferred from GNSS and InSAR data



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Conclusion

Development of REGARD system

- Implements RTK-GNSS at 1,200+ sites
- Provides finite fault estimates within **3 minutes**
- successfully provided accurate fault model for the 2016
 Kumamoto earthquake in real-time

For more robust system...

- **Multi-GNSS products** (ultra-rapid or real-time orbit) are important for more accurate positioning
- Implementation of PPP for redundancy

Related works:

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