

# Future change analysis of extreme floods using large ensemble climate simulation data



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## Impact assessment of climate change on water-related disasters and water resources

### Future climate projection for water resources impact assessment:

- General Circulation Models (GCMs), and
- Regional Climate Models (RCMs)

### Future change analysis of water resources:

- Hydrologic models,
- Hydraulic models,
- **Storm surge models**,
- Risk assessment models

### Assessment of hazard and risk change:

- Probabilistic hazard analysis,
- Largest-class hazard analysis, and
- Risk analysis.

GCM/RCM  
Modeling  
researchers

Climate  
Projection

Impact  
researchers/  
engineers

Adaptation strategy  
and measures by  
policy makers

### Adaptation strategy:

- Structural measures,
- Non-structural measures

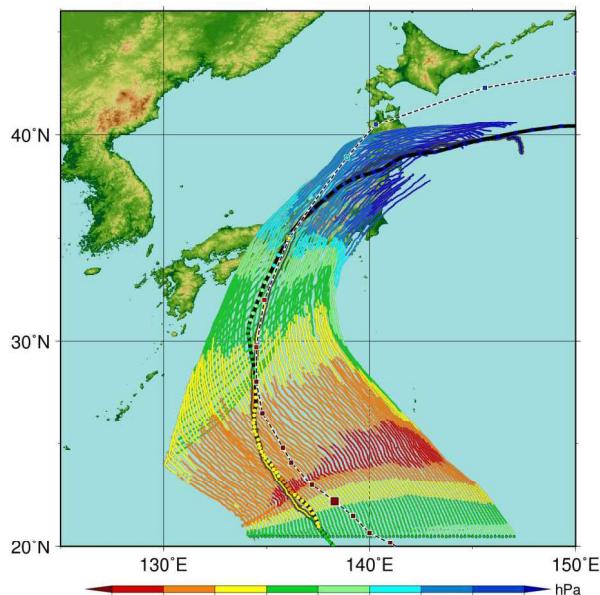
# **Probable largest-class floods**

- 1) Estimate magnitude of probable largest-class floods caused by a historical typhoon using typhoon track ensemble simulation data.
- 2) Estimate magnitude of probable largest-class floods using the large ensemble climate simulation data.

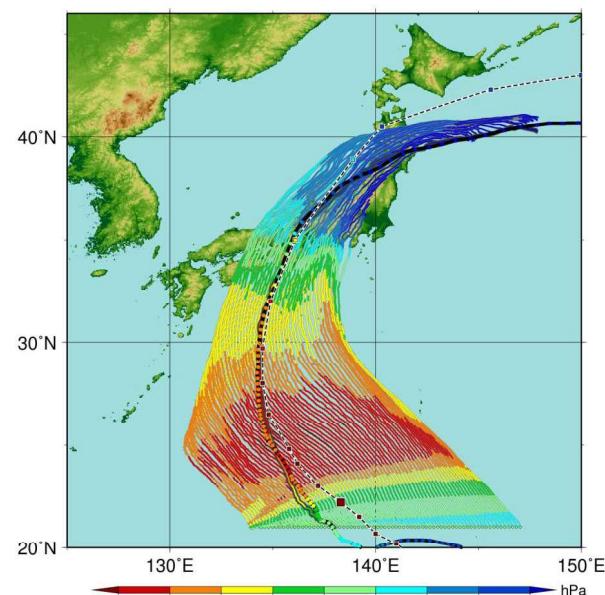
## **Estimation of probable largest-class floods by typhoons using typhoon track ensemble simulation**

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# Virtual shifting of typhoon's initial position for the historical typhoon (Isewan Typhoon, 1959)



Control run



pseudo-global warming experiment

Takemi, Ishikawa et al., DPRI, Kyoto Univ.

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## Flood and inundation simulations to estimate largest-class typhoons

Various typhoon courses of the largest-class typhoons under a climate change scenario



Flood and inundation simulations

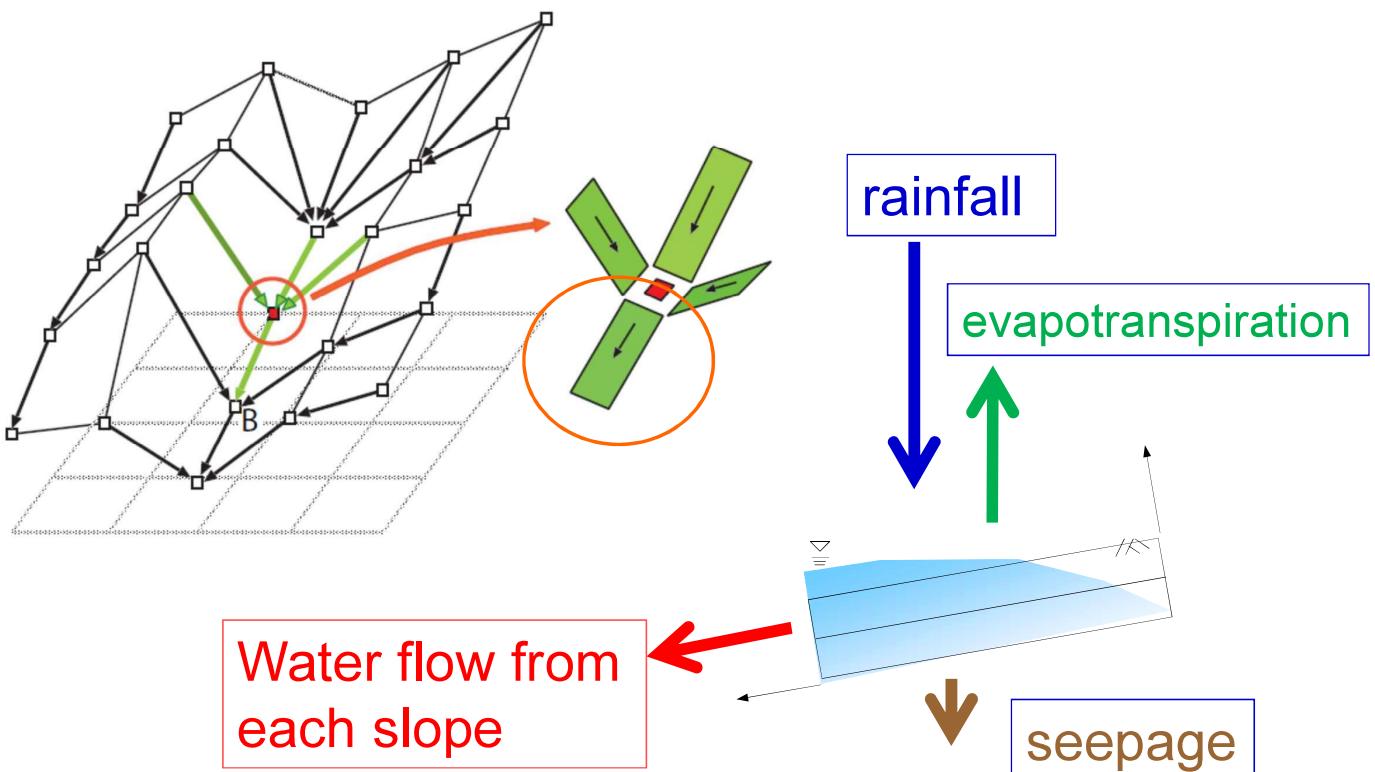


The worst case impact assessment

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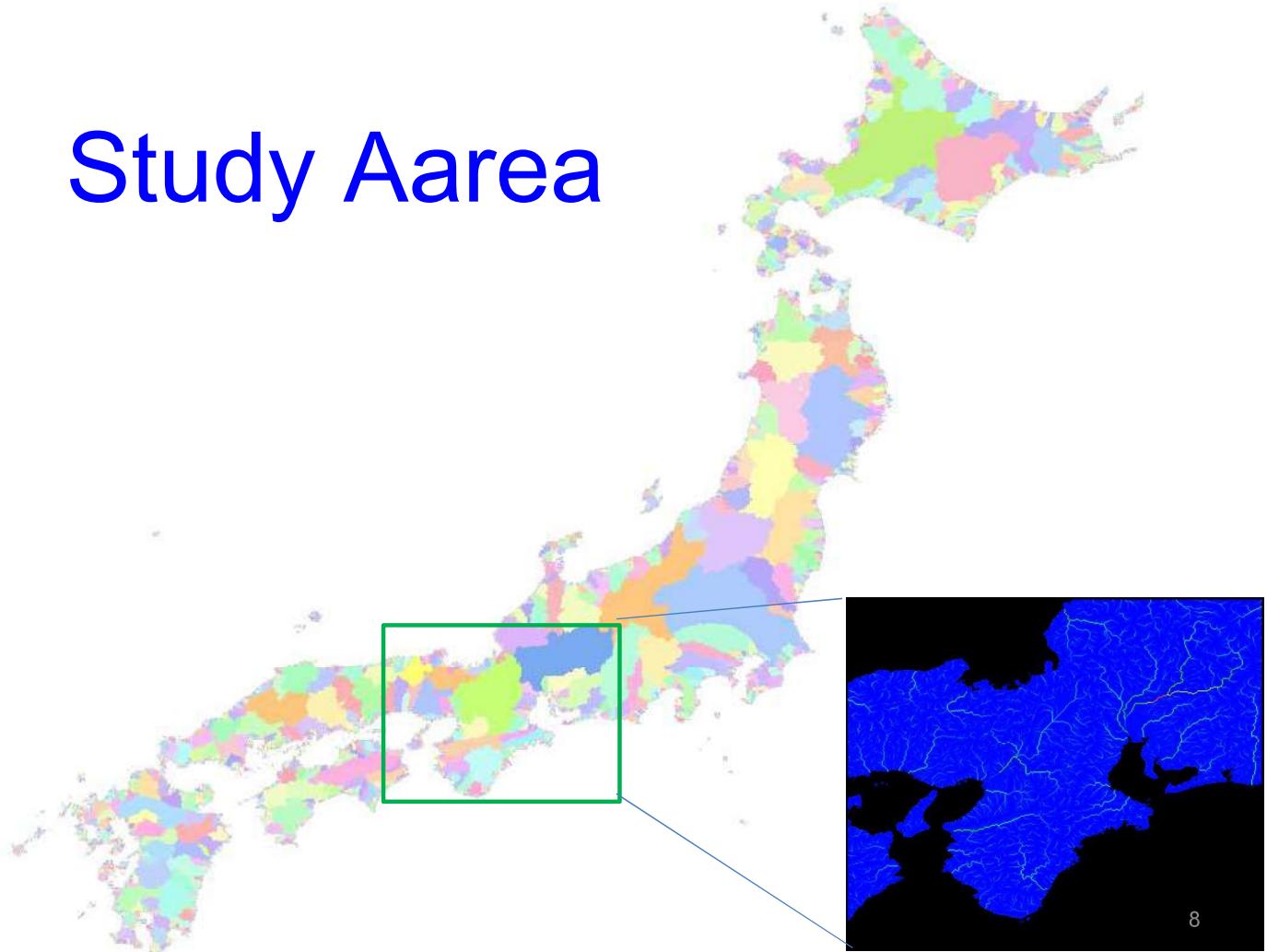
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# Rainfall-Runoff Model



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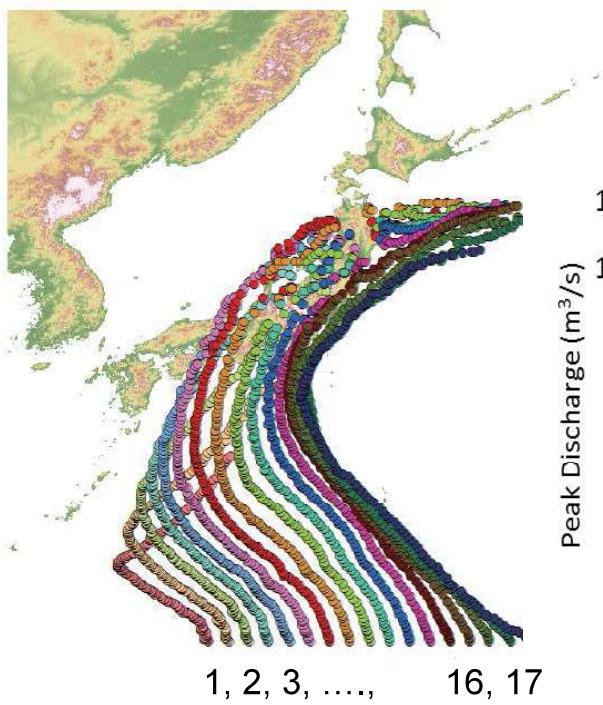
## Study Area



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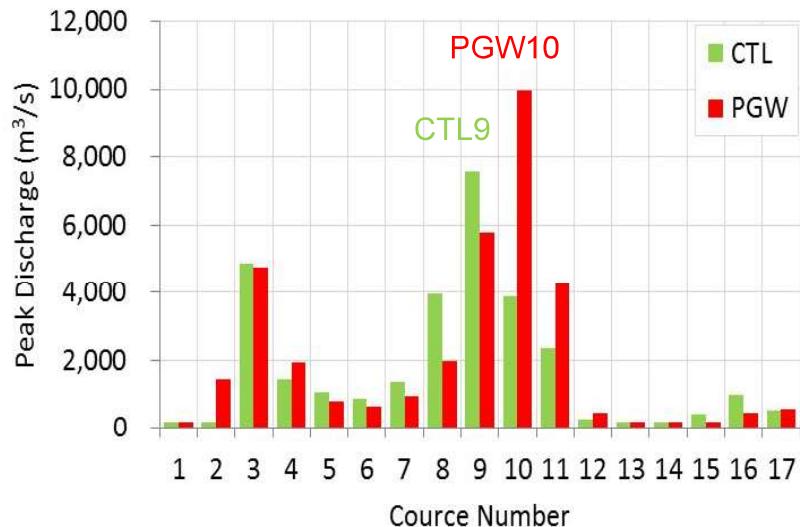
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# Typhoon Course Ensemble Simulations



Typhoon tracks

Peak discharge at Hirakata station  
for different typhoon tracks



CTL: Control experiments (present climate)

PGW: Pseudo Global Warming experiments

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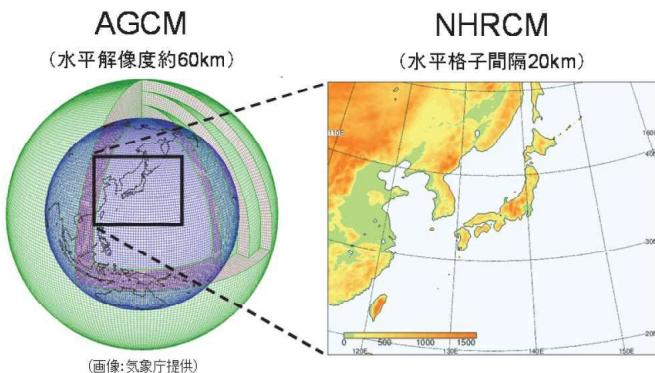
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# database for Policy Decision making for Future climate change (d4PDF)



The database consists of atmospheric simulations for the globe using MRI-AGCM 3.2H with 60km spatial resolution (Mizuta et al. 2012) and dynamically downscaled simulations using NHRCM with 20km resolution (Sasaki et al. 2011).

## The entire globe experiment

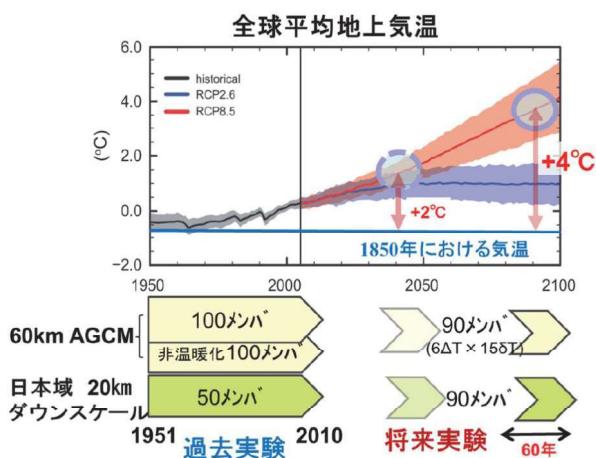
- Historical experiment 1951～2011 × 100 ensemble members
- 4°C increase experiment 2051～2111 × 90 ensemble members

## Downscaled local experiment

- Historical experiment 1951～2011 × 50 ensemble members
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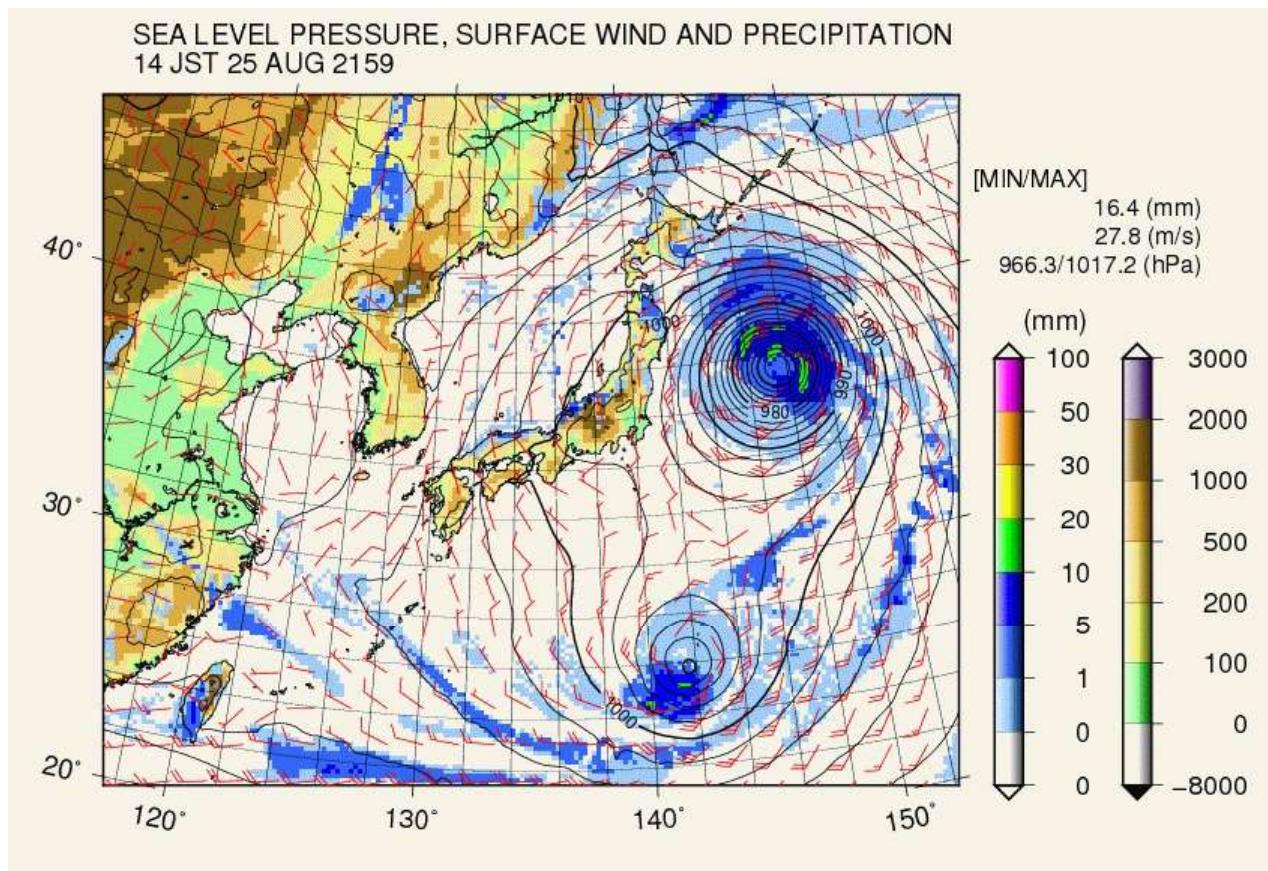


## MRI-NHRCM, 20km spatial resolution

- Present Climate Experiments: 50 ensembles of 60 years climate simulation under different boundary conditions, which provides 3,000 years hydrologic time series data.
- The End of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Climate Experiments (4 degree increase): 15 ensembles of 60 years climate simulation under different initial and boundary conditions for 6 SST settings, which provides 5,400 years (= 900 years times 6 SSTs) hydrologic time series data.

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## d4PDF data simulated by MRI-NHRCM (20km spatial resolution)



Developed by Mr. Kato at ISEE, Nagoya Univ.

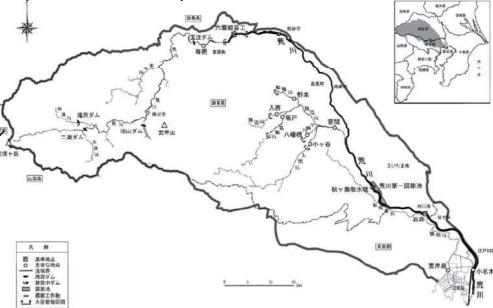
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## Study River Basins

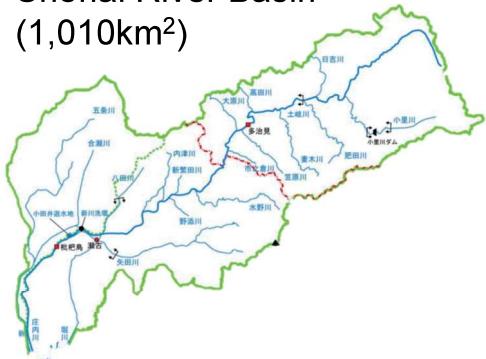
Yodo River Basin  
(8,240km<sup>2</sup>)



Ara River Basin  
(2,940km<sup>2</sup>)

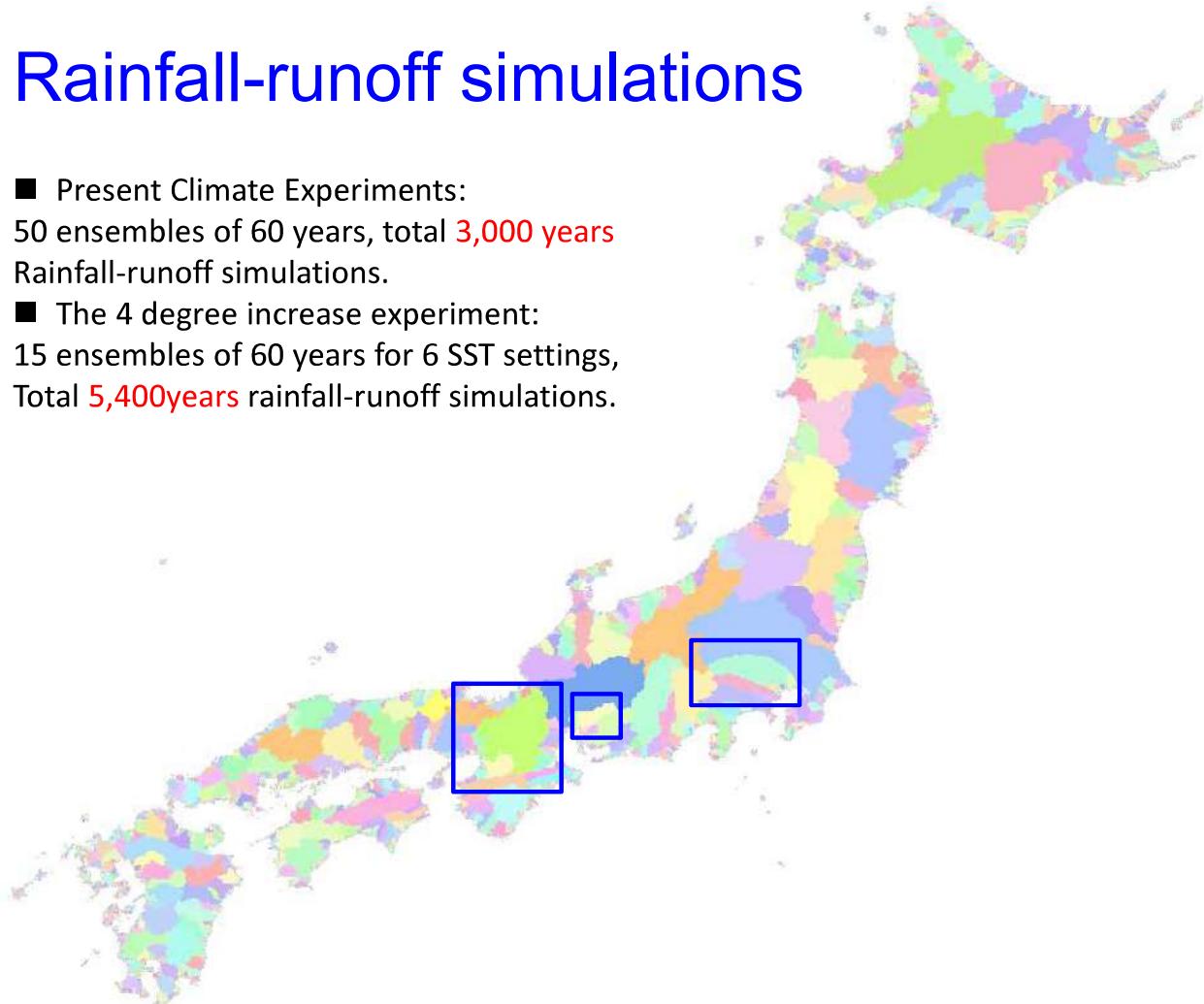


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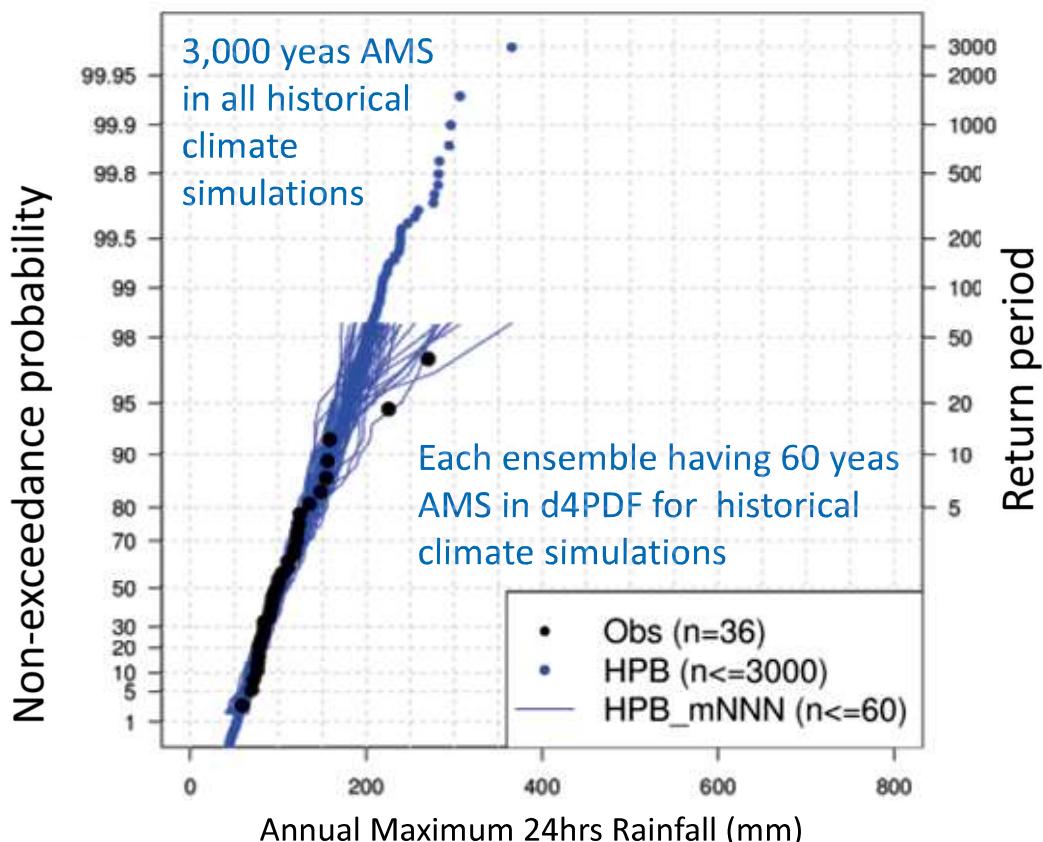
# Rainfall-runoff simulations

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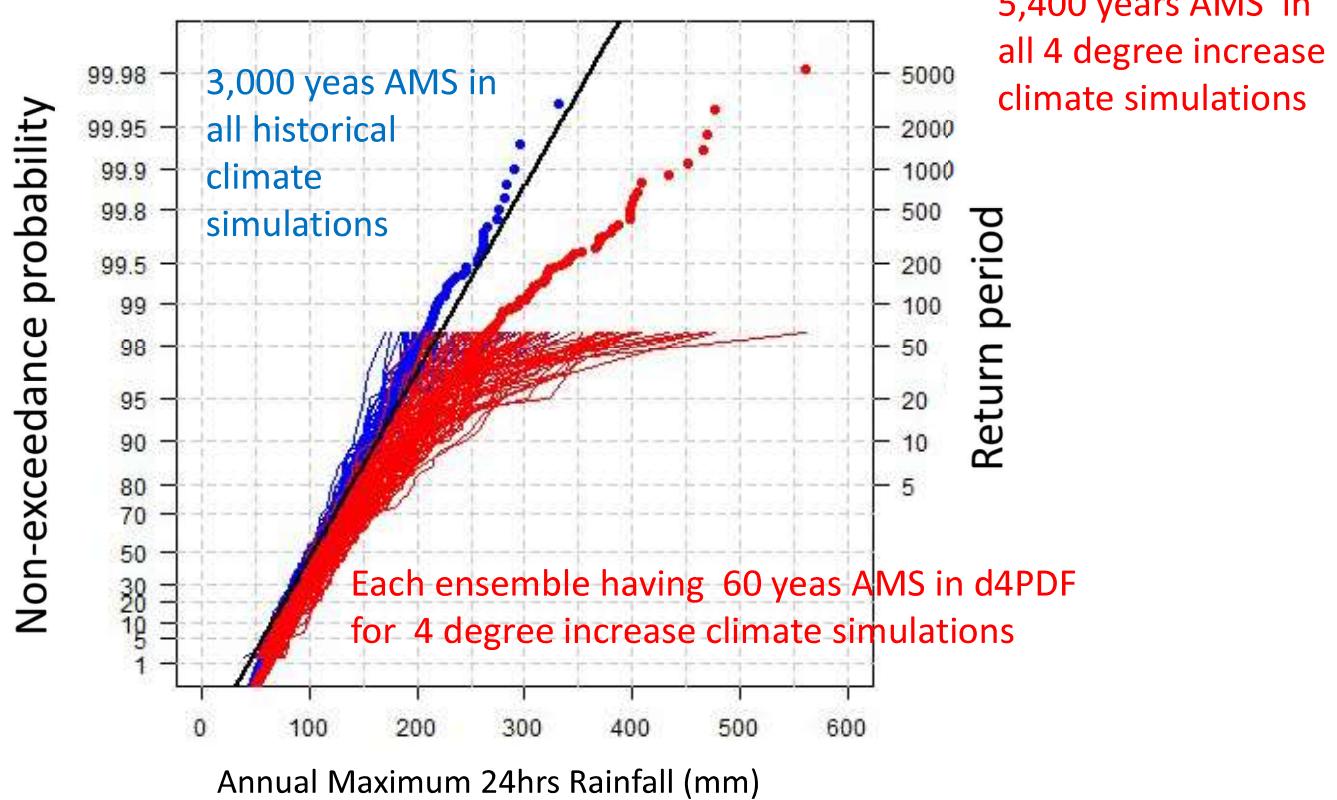


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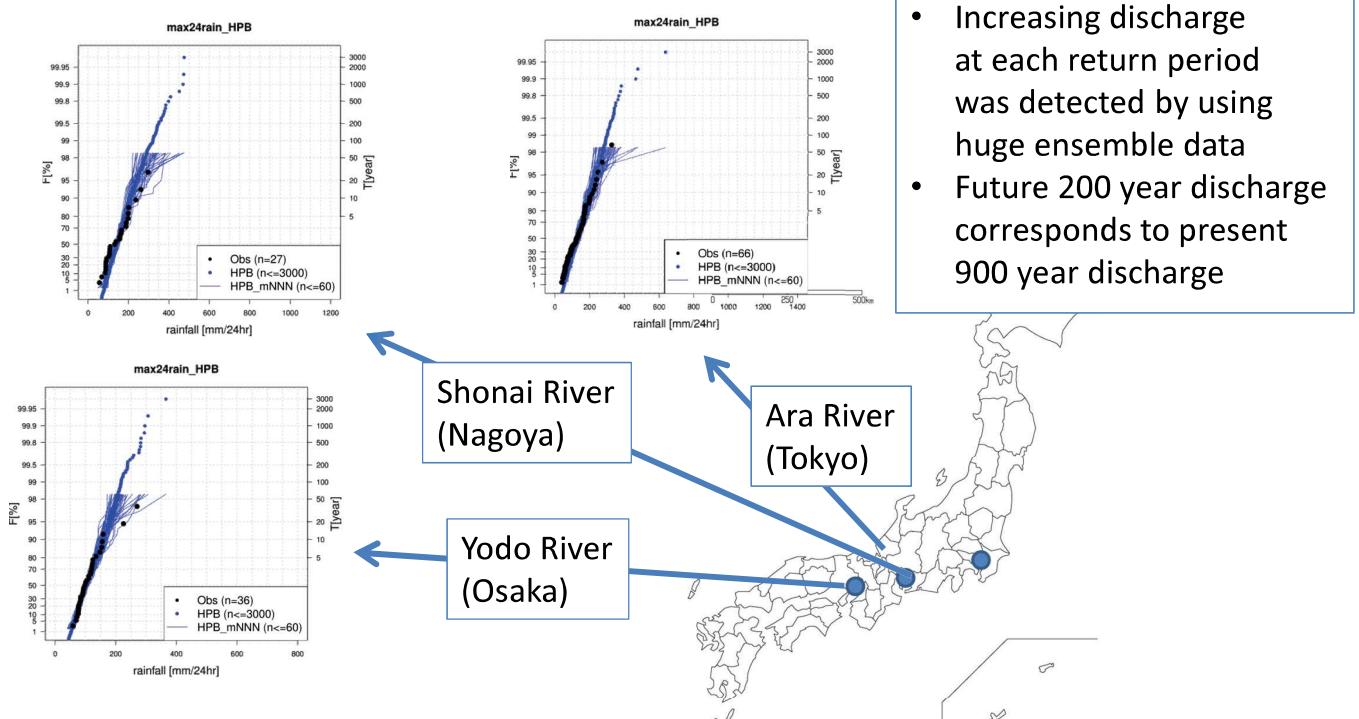
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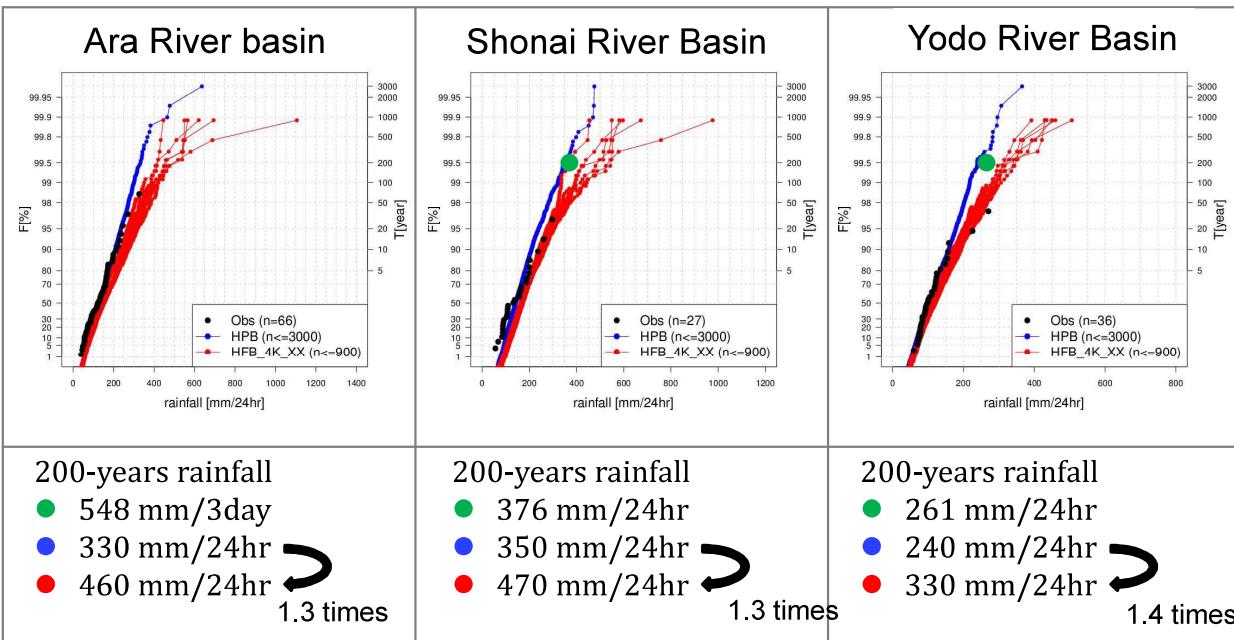
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## Observed(black) and Present(Blue) annual maximum 24-hour basin rainfall



# Annual Maximum 24hrs Catchment Average Rainfall



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	48 hours	415	555		552		816
	72 hours	480 (538)	610		623		856
	96 hours	513	646		645		891
Shounai River	24 hours	350 (376)	474		470		638
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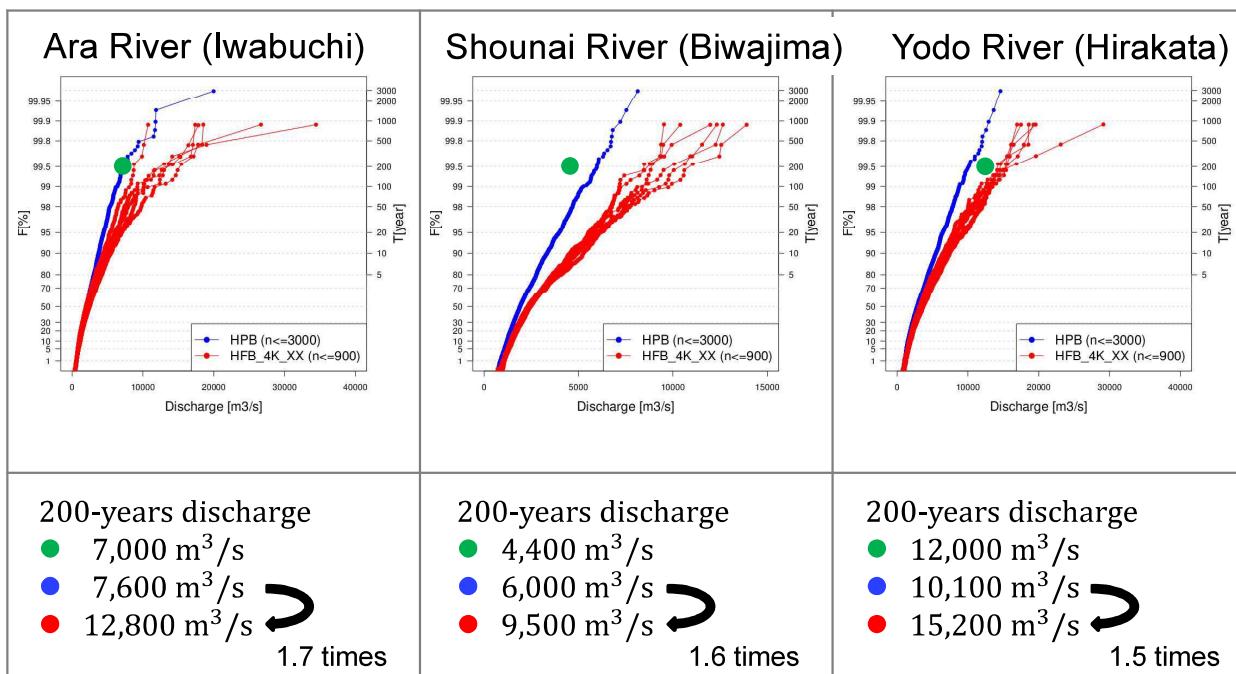
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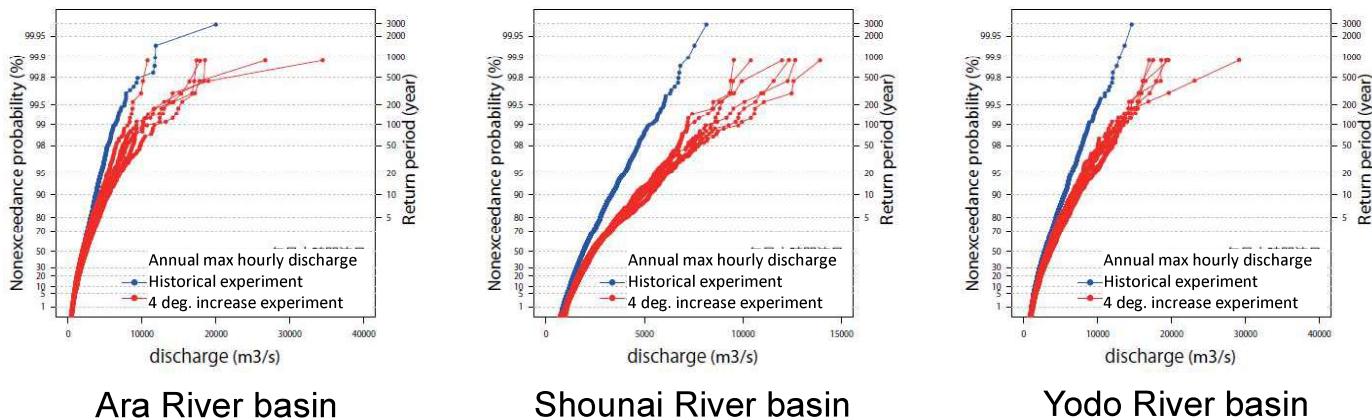
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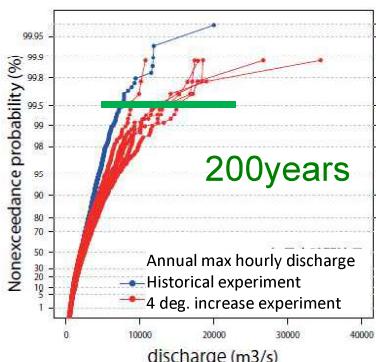
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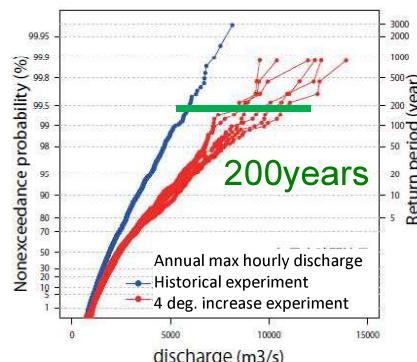
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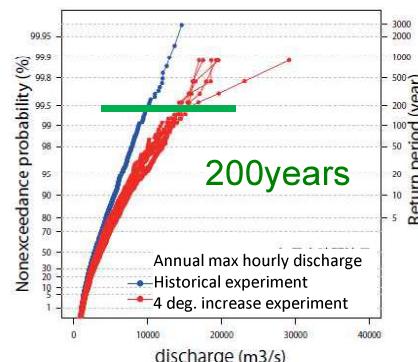
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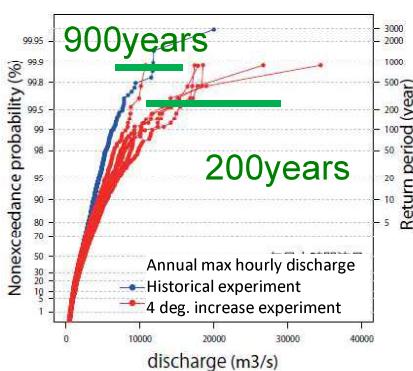


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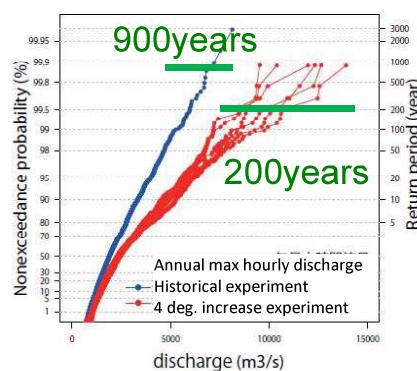
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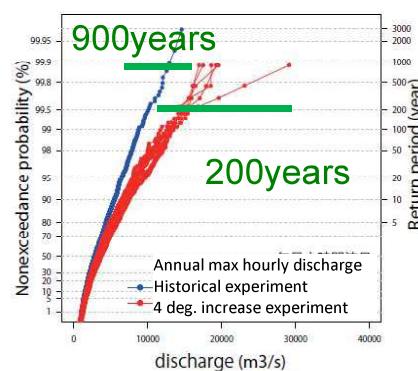
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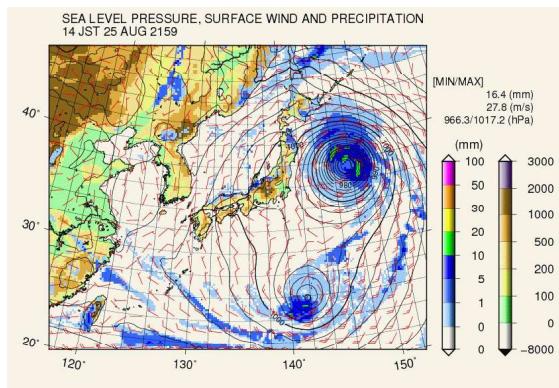


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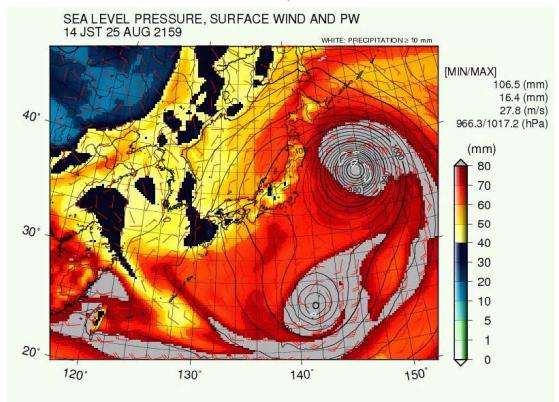
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# Largest-class floods and rainfall simulated by d4PDF at Yodo River basin



(a) Rainfall and pressure



(b) Precipitable water

The largest-class rainfall and peak river discharge using d4PDF (over 1000-years return period)

Order	Qmax (m³/s)	Rmax (mm/hr)	R24 (mm)	System	Time
Historical experiment (3000-yeas simulation, 60-years runs of 50 ensemble members)					
1	14,589	14	224	Typhoon	Aug. 22
2	13,642	38	239	Typhoon	Aug. 23
3	12,928	25	365	Typhoon	Aug. 22
4 degree increase experiment (5400-years run, 60-years runs of 90 ensemble members)					
1	29,135	63	442	typhoon	Aug. 25
2	23,115	37	330	typhoon	Aug. 18
3	19,604	28	195	typhoon	Sep. 3
4	19,570	21	403	low pressure	Jul. 27
5	19,263	25	505	front	Jul. 29

Historical floods after 1953 for in the Yodo River basin

Order	Qmax (m³/s)	2 day rainfall (mm)	system	Time
1	9,500	295	typhoon	Sep. 2013
2	7,970	215	typhoon	Sep. 1959
3	7,800	249	typhoon	Sep. 1953
4	7,206	234	Front	Oct. 1961
5	6,868	203	typhoon	Sep. 1965

## Conclusions

1. The frequency distributions of annual maximum 24-hours rainfall for d4PDF of the historical experiment match with the ones for observed data;
2. The 200-years annual maximum 24-hours rainfall for the d4PDF of the 4 degree increase experiment is 1.3 to 1.4 times larger than the one of the historical experiment and 1.5 to 1.7 times larger for the annual maximum river discharge;
3. The 200-years annual maximum 24 hours rainfall for the d4PDF of the 4 degree increase experiment is equivalent to the one of 900 years of the historical experiment; and
4. The rainfall patterns that cause largest-class floods simulated by d4PDF well match with the one of large historic floods for the three basins.

# New opportunity for future hydrologic prediction and design

- 1) We can examine the change of hydrologic extremes using typhoon track ensemble simulation data.
- 2) We can estimate over 1,000 year-annual maximum rainfall and flood events using the large ensemble climate simulation data.

Thank you very much for your attention