Estimation of historical typhoon-generated high waves around Japan by long-term microseism observations

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Background/Research objective

Typhoon-generated high wave estimation is needed

- > Typhoon-generated high waves should be understood more deeply because of coastal disaster prevention.
- Historical ocean wave observation is very few.

Microseisms are useful for ocean wave estimation

- Microseism is generated by ocean waves (Ardhuin et al. 2019).
- > There is more historical seismic observation data than ocean wave.
- > Previously, estimation of historical ocean wave height is studied (Bromirski 2023).

Objective

- > We aim to estimate historical typhoon-generated high wave from seismograms.
- > For this goal, we analyzed present ocean wave and microseism.





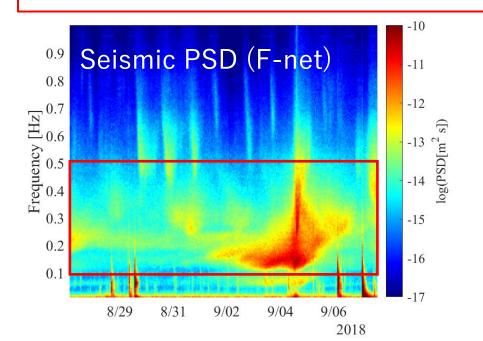
Microseism generation

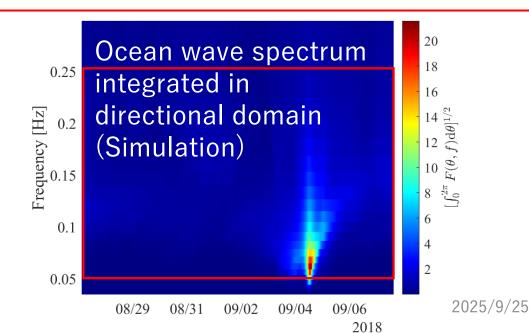
Microseism

- > Microseism is the very small vibration usually treated as noise in seismograms
- ➤ Microseism is generated by ocean wave

Secondary microseism

Secondary microseisms are generated by nonlinear interaction in a pair of ocean waves with nearly opposite direction and nearly same frequency (Longuet-Higgins 1950, Hasselman 1963, Ardhuin et.al 2019).









Research overview

Statistically analysis

 Analyzing seismic record, observation and hindcasting ocean wave data

Physically analysis

- Considering secondary microseism source
- Estimating F-net Abuyama secondary microseism

Statistic estimation of ocean wave

 Estimating wave height in coastal observation point



Analysis of the present can be useful for estimation of past ocean wave

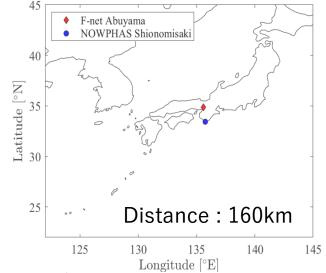


Data

- Microseism observation record: F-net Abuyama in Osaka(F-net: a broadband seismic observation network by National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience(NIED))
- > Ocean wave observation data: NOWPHAS (Wave height)
- Ocean wave hindcasting: WAVEWATCH III

(Significant wave height, Wave spectrum,

Equivalent surface pressure PSD(Power Spectral Density) : F_p



$$F_p = \rho^2 g^2 f_s E(f)^2 \int_0^{\pi} \frac{F(f,\theta)F(f,\theta+\pi)}{E(f)^2} d\theta$$
 (from Ardhuin and Herbers 2013)

 ρ : sea water density, g: gravity acceleration, f_s : secondary microseism frequency, f: ocean wave frequency,

 θ : ocean wave direction, E: ocean wave frequency spectrum, F: ocean wave directional spectrum





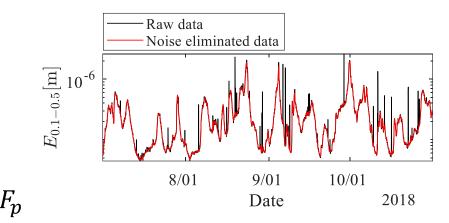
Variables for microseism assessment

- \succ F_s : hourly PSD of seismic displacement
- $\triangleright E_{f_1-f_2}$: Noise eliminated secondary microseisms energy

$$E_{f_1 - f_2} = \sqrt{\int_{f_1}^{f_2} F_S \, df}$$

 \triangleright S_{DF} : The source of secondary microseisms

$$S_{DF}(f_S) = \frac{4\pi^2 f_S}{\rho_S^2 \beta^5} \left(\sum_{i=0}^4 c_i^2 \right) F_p$$



 ρ_s : Rock density, β : Shear wave velocity,

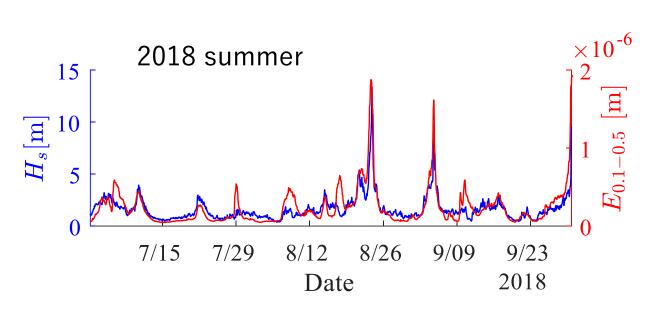
 c_i : Non-dimensional amplification factor for Rayleigh mode number i

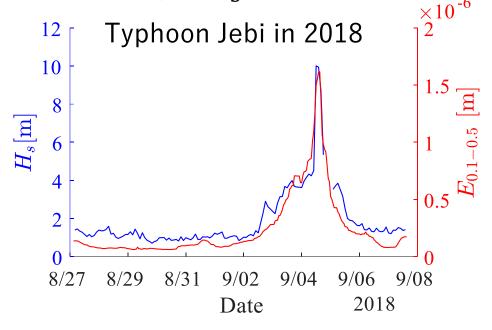
(Using Ardhuin and Herbers 2013 as reference)



Time series of secondary microseism and wave height

We statistically analyzed F-net Abuyama secondary microseisms energy and NOWPHAS Shionomisaki significant wave height H_s .





Correlation coefficient: 0.86

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> Secondary microseisms have high correlation with observational wave height.



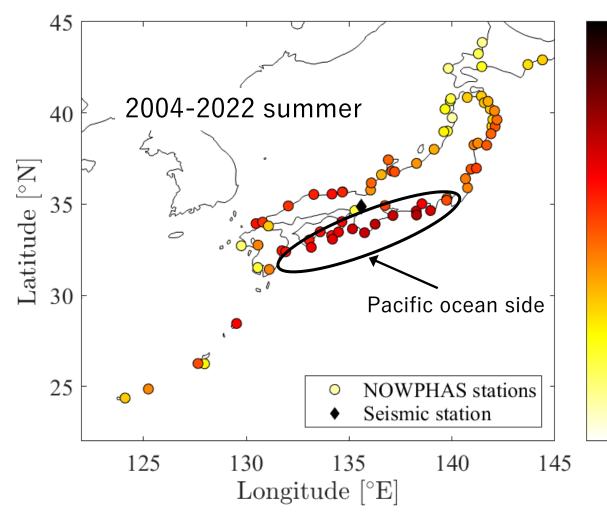


Correlation in all observation point

0.8

0.2

Correlation coefficient



Correlation coefficient between F-net Abuyama $E_{0.1-0.5}$ and all NOWPHAS H_s .

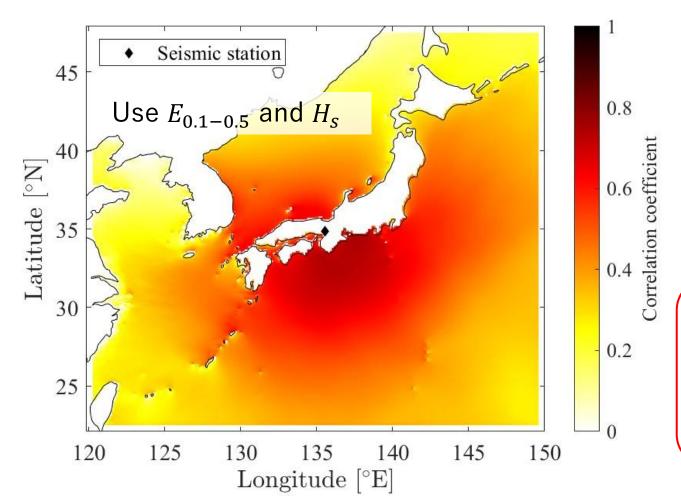
➤ Correlation is high around the seismic station and in Pacific ocean side.

But, Observation is sparse and not in offshore, so finer information is needed.





Statistically analysis by using ocean wave hindcasting



Correlation coefficient between H_s calculated by WAVEWATCHIII and microseism energy in 2014-2023 summer

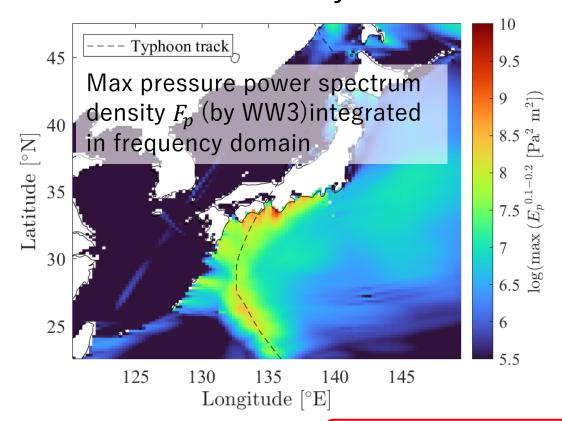
> We can statistically estimate typhoon-generated high wave in Pacific side around the station.

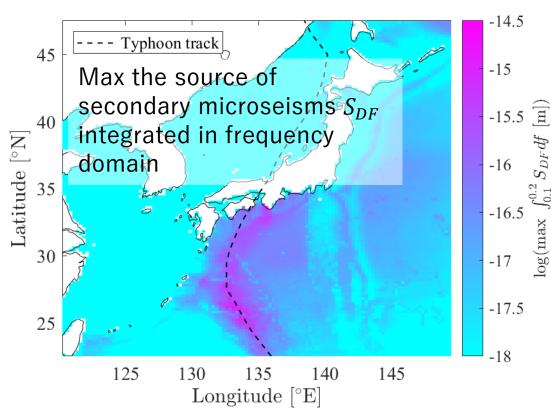




Physically analysis when 2018 Jebi was close

Considering physical variables allows us to assess the effect of ocean wave for secondary microseisms.





> Typhoon can excite secondary microseism.



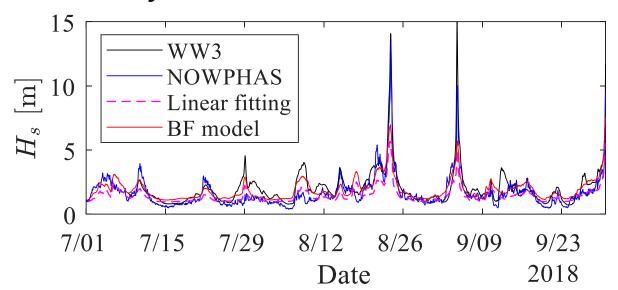


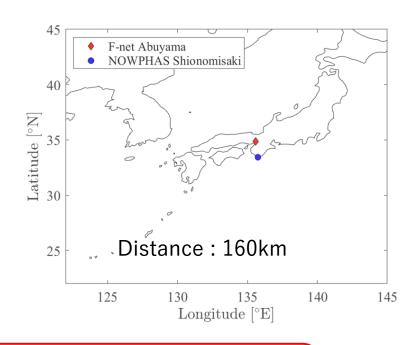
Wave height estimation

• H_s is statistically estimated from observational secondary microseism by using the method of Bromirski and Flick 2020.

Learning data is ocean wave spectrum of WW3 and seismic PSD observed in

F-net Abuyama.

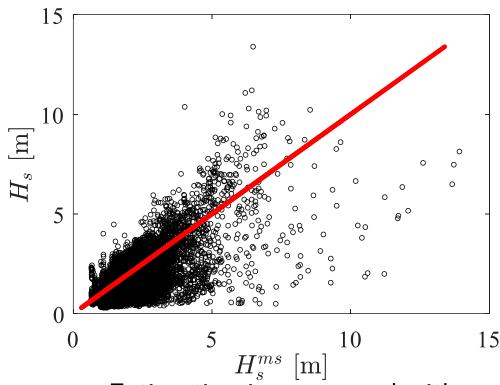




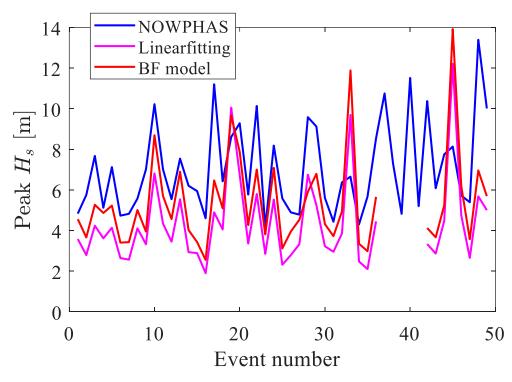
- > Estimation is somewhat consistent with observations.
- > High wave cannot be estimated.



Accuracy of ocean wave estimation



Estimation is compared with observation from 2004 to 2018.



Accuracy of high wave are checked by peak H_s

- > Typhoon-generated high waves are not reproduced well and underestimated.
- > Model refining is needed.





Conclusion

- Wave height around the seismic station and secondary microseisms energy have high correlation.
- Typhoon-generated high wave excite microseisms.
- High wave cannot be estimated accurately. However, wave height can be estimated statistically.



If we can read historical seismic record, we can assess historical typhoon-generated high wave

Future research

- Assessment of historical typhoon-generated high wave
- Accurate typhoon-generated high wave estimation
- More detailed physical analysis





Analogue seismogram



Seismic record on Abuyama observatory when typhoon Vera in 1959 was close to Japan

> Digitalizing the record and estimating wave height

