



# The impact-based forecasting with a large-ensemble DA

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## Why Impact-based forecasting?

**Current:** Forecast only weather. We verify the forecast with rainfall amount, temperature, wind, etc.

**Future:** Beyond traditional weather forecasts, we predict hazard itself for mitigating the people's damage. **The impact to people** is the target of the operation.

Impact-based forecasting should be probabilistic because the severe weather is chaotic.

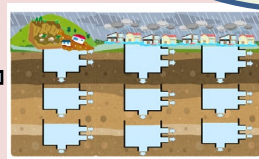
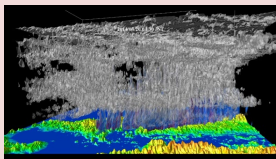


WMO Guidelines on Multi-hazard Impact-based Forecast and Warning Services (2015, 2021)

JMA has operated the impact-based forecasts and warnings using nowcast technique since 2008.

## How realize?

Predict rain as well as inundation, floods, and landslides.

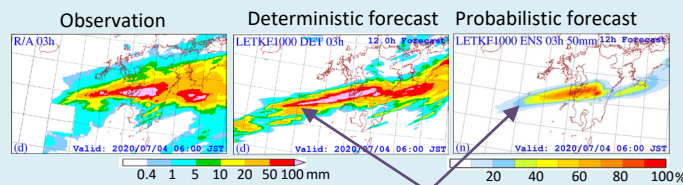


Large ensemble of meteorological model coupled with hydrological model predicting probability of hydrological disaster occurrence.

## Case 1: Linear convective system (3-4 July 2020)

(Courtesy of Oizumi and Duc)

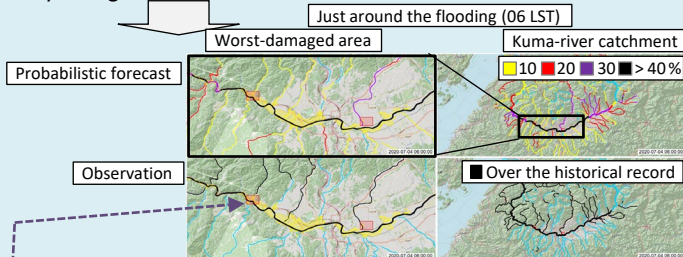
- Accurate deterministic forecasts for more than 100 mm and longer than 6-h.
- High probability of 80% to 50 mm/3-h was predicted.



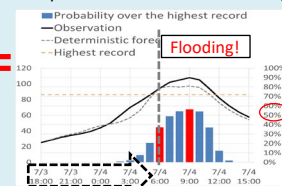
Overestimate in deterministic forecast, whereas low probability in probabilistic forecast

Meteorological ensemble simulation **Coupled!**

Hydrological ensemble simulation



- \* Predict tens of rivers in the Kuma-river catchment area with 1000-ensemble.
- \* The observation related to the Kuma river reaches mostly the highest record at 05 LST.
- \* Probability from 20 to 30% to the flooding appears in the worst-damaged area.



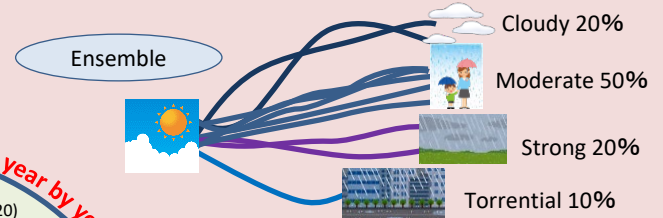
Deterministic forecast exceeds the record At the flooding time, the probability is 40%.

60% of probability for the flooding is predicted eventually.

**A half day ahead!**

## Why Large-ensemble?

Probabilistic forecast with every 10% needs more than 500 members to neglect the sampling errors.

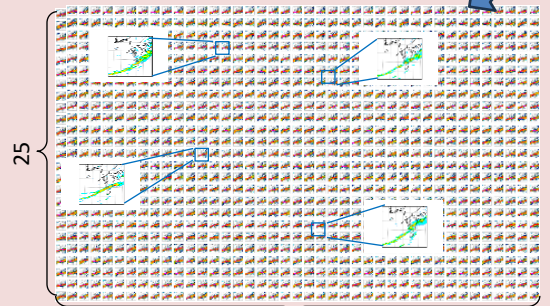


Deterministic forecast is invalid for long range due to chaoticity especially for severe weather. Instead, probabilistic forecast provide useful information for long time.

## 1000-ensemble on Fugaku



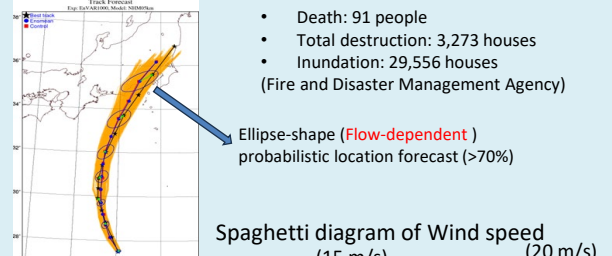
## 1000 ensemble simulations



## Case 2: Typhoon Hagibis (2019) (5-14 Oct. 2019)

(Courtesy of Wu and Duc)

### Track forecast



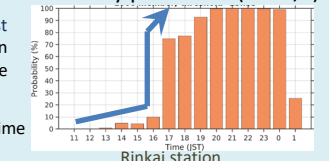
- Death: 91 people
- Total destruction: 3,273 houses
- Inundation: 29,556 houses (Fire and Disaster Management Agency)

Ellipse-shape (Flow-dependent) probabilistic location forecast (>70%)

90% of probability (dynamical, ensemble)

- Radiuses of the winds at 15 m/s are the same between the best track and 1000-ensemble.
- While those at 20 m/s in the best track is much larger than that in the large ensemble (Flow-dependent).

### Probability prediction (15 m/s)



Very quick change in time → Difficult to predict

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