

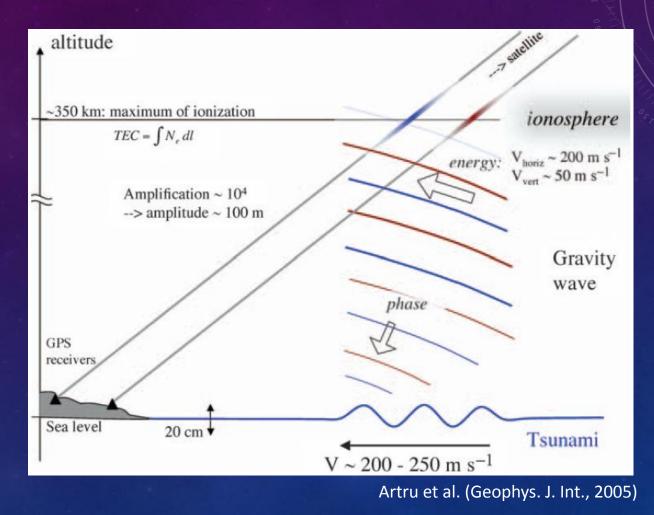
Traveling Ionospheric Disturbances Observed at Ground-Based GPS and HF Doppler Sounding Systems During the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake Tsunami

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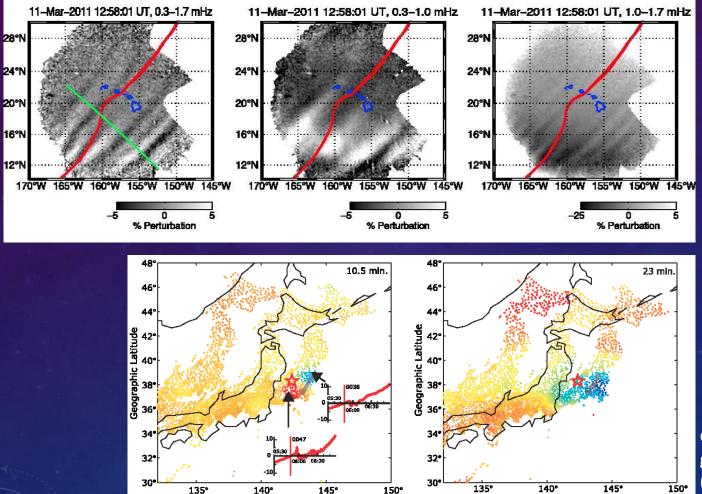


# Tsunami-Induced Ionosphere Disturbances





#### Ionospheric Response to the Pacific Tsunami



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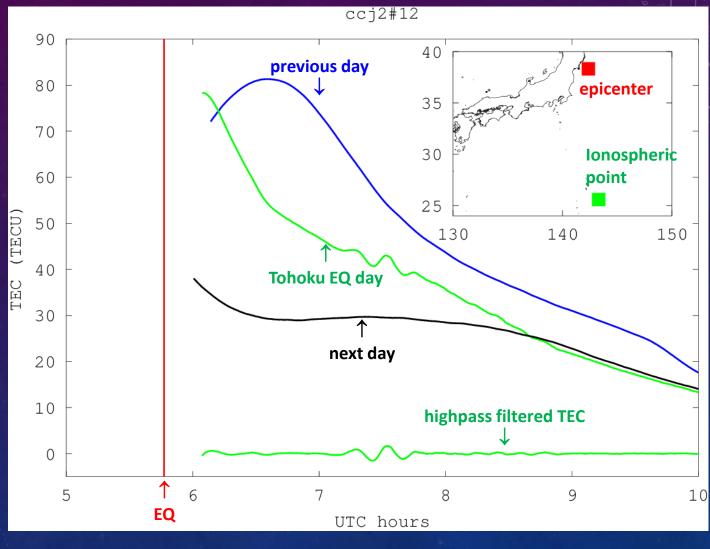
Ionospheric airglow response to the tsunami after the Tohoku earthquake in 2011 (Makela et al., GRL, 2011)

GPS-TEC differences generated by the tsunami (Kakinami et al., GRL, 2012)

Geographic Longitude



#### GPS TEC after Tohoku EQ

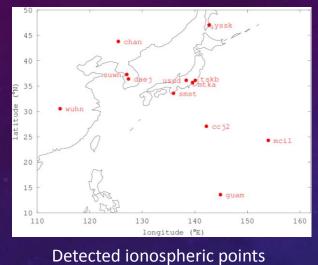


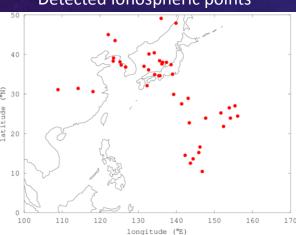
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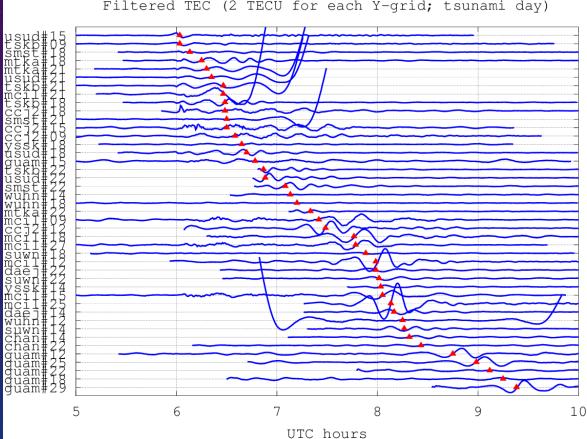


# **Highpass Filtered TEC Variations**

**GB GPS receivers used** 







Filtered TEC TECU for each Y-grid; tsunami (2



## 3D Ray-Tracing Technique

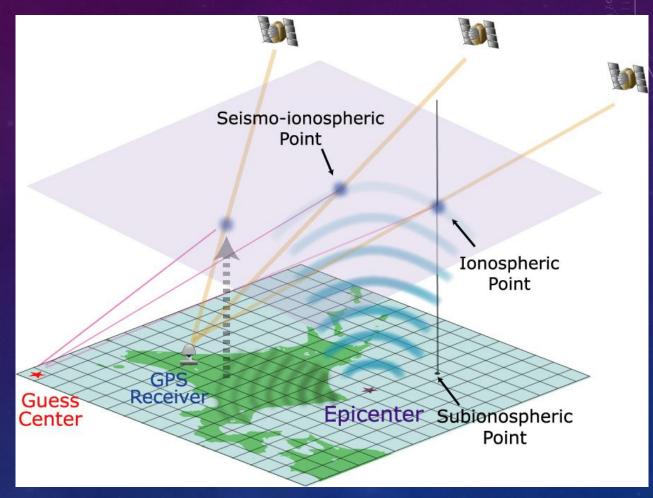
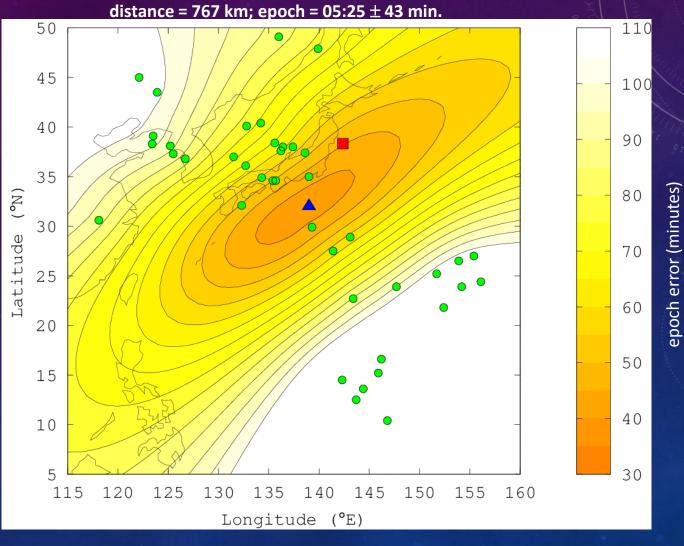


Figure courtesy of Masashi Kamogawa.



#### **Ray-Tracing Results**

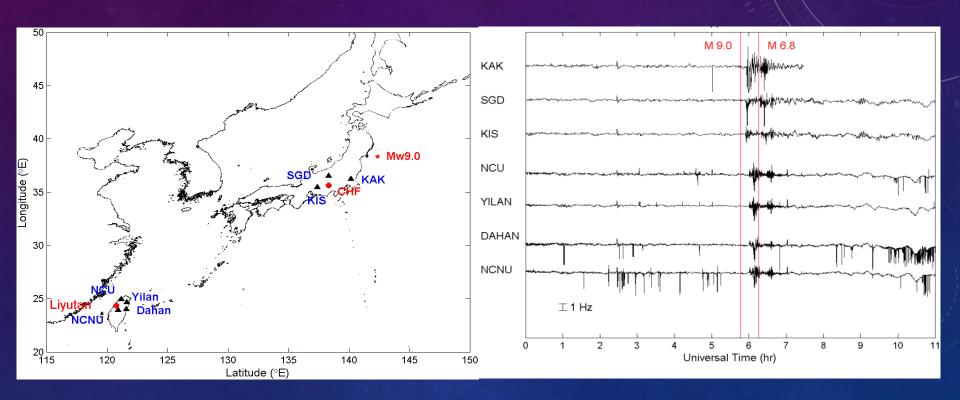


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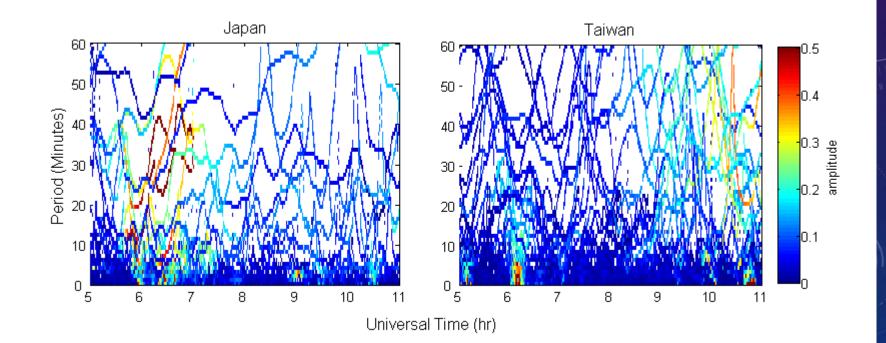


# HF Doppler Sounding

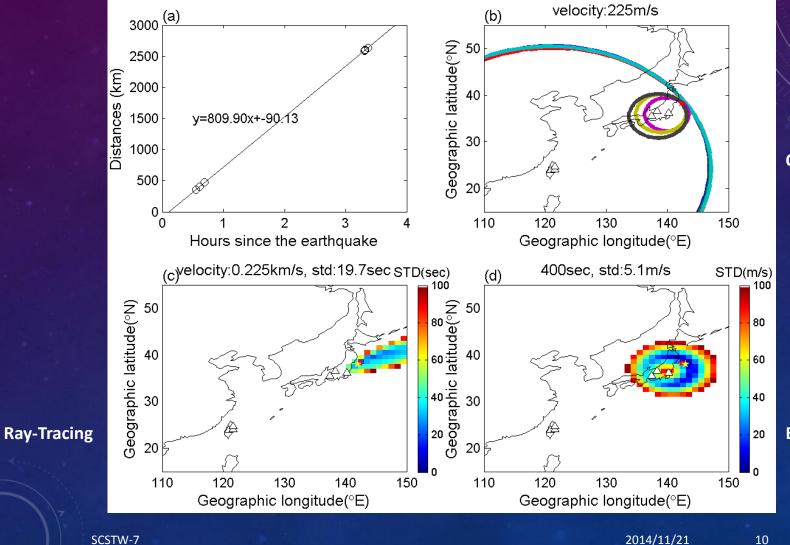


### Hilbert Spectra









**Circle Method** 

**Beam-Forming** 



## Summary

- Ionospheric disturbances triggered by the tsunami after the Tohoku earthquake in 2011 have been detected in TEC variations by means of GPS observation.
- 3D spherical ray-tracing method can be used to relocate the tsunami origin with lower cost than buoys.
- Analysis result shows clear tsunami-induced Doppler shifts in ionosphere with horizontal speed of 225 m/s.
- Hilbert spectra shows the instantaneous periods of the maximum STID waves are around 20-60 minutes for the tsunami.