Development of spatial transition model and recovery scenarios in Fukushima

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Research motivation

- For recovery of Fukushima
 - Showing quantitative roadmaps of ;
 - Reconstruction from Tsunami disaster
 - Recovery from radioactivity pollution
- Contribution for the other Japan municipalities
 - Local development strategy against demographic change
 - Aging, Population reduction, Migration
- Contribution to the sustainability of the world
 - Knowledge on risk and recovery process of nuclear accident
 - Analytical quantitative methodology of Societal-economicenvironmental recovery process after large disaster

Progress of spatial modeling



Spatial distribution scenarios



- BAU Current spatial pattern continues throughout the simulation period
- Compact-A Move activities from suburban to "urbanization area"
- Compact-B1 Move activities from suburban area to "city core centers" determined in the official urban plans.
- Compact-B2 Move activities from suburban area to fewer number of "city core centers". Detached house is reduced.

Application in Kitakyushu City





Population density

2015



2050α



2050BAU



2050*β*



Local Snapshot Model and SDGs

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2011. 3. 11



18,455 people were killed.

2011.3.11



400,326 buildings were destroyed.

Nuclear Accident



Radioactivity pollution overtime

Nov. 2014

May 2011



Source

Nuclear Regulation Authority, Japan: Monitoring Information of Environmental Radioactivity Level, http://radioactivity.nsr.go.jp/



Nov. 2017

Evacuation from Nuclear Accident



Source: Fukushima prefecture website http://www.pref.fukushima.lg.jp/site/portal/list271.html

12 Municipalities



Willingness to return by municipalities

Returned Willing to return Not able to decide yet Not willing to return NA



Source: "Willingness Survey" conducted by Reconstruction Agency and each municipal governments. Latest available results were aggregated by the presenter.

Willingness to return by age



Population after returning begin



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Retuning behavior and willingness



Local Snapshot model: Integrated model of population and local economy



How can population be maintained?



Issues to be considered

- Physical development
 - "Specific reconstruction and recovery base" in the heavily polluted area
 - Infrastructure construction
 - Facility re-open
- Economic reconstruction project (METI)
 - "Fukushima Innovation Coast" projects
 - Robotics, Medical, High-tech agriculture, Smart energy
- Environmental recovery project (MOE)
 - Fukushima future-oriented projects
 - Low-carbon project: H2, Biomass, local transport, etc.

Preliminary experimental simulation

- Simulate long-term population dynamics in the area using standard cohort-type model
- Develop alternative scenarios based on willingness to return

Summary

- Recovery, reconstruction and return of evacuees are still underway in Fukushima
- Monthly population data shows different progress of return in different municipalities
- Preliminary population simulation projected a highly aged, smaller-than-ever society
- Economic and environmental reconstruction and recovery projects should be considered