

An Approach to Assessing Damage on Rice Yield associated with Paddy Inundation by Climate Change

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Background

- Adaptation to climate change is important subject

Focus on Flood disaster ...

- ✓ Heavy rainfall will occur more frequently in the future.
 - ✓ Inundation risks in low-lying paddies are estimated to rise.
- Paddy fields are often damaged by flooding because they are located principally in low elevation areas of river basins.



Photo :
Hokkoku newspaper, 18 July 2006

Flooding Damage on Rice

- Flooding is one of the main causes of decrease in rice yield, therefore, to assessing the damage is particularly important.
- However, the damage will change **with flood conditions** (e.g. developing stage of rice, water depth, duration of submergence etc.)
- A reduction scale in rice yield is effective to estimate these damage quantities.



Normal
Rice

Flooded
Rice

Objective and today's contents

I. Formulate a reduction scale in rice yield

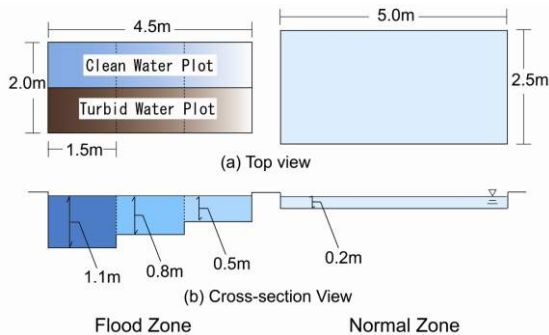
- » The scale shows relationships between flooding conditions and reduction ratio of yield.
- » Carry out an experiment to collect data for the scale
- » The scale is used for standard of damage estimation

II. Approach to damage estimation on rice yield

- » Calculate the damage by applying the reduction scale to simulated data
- » Results show reduction amounts of rice yield and its economic loss
- » The results will be expected to use as index of risk assessment of climate change on drainage systems

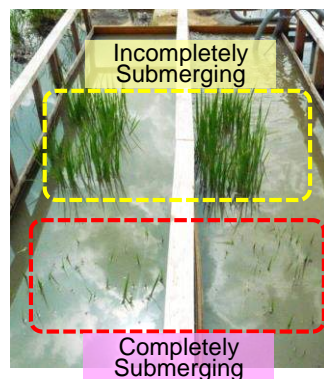
Pseudo-Flooding Experiment

- A Pseudo-Flooding Experiment (P.F.E.) was planned, and conducted in 2012.
- We constructed an experimental arena in a real paddy field.
- The arena consists of the Normal and Flood zone.
 - Normal Zone = to use normal cultivation
 - Flood Zone = to use flood test



Methodology of the P.F.E

- Cultivar: 「Koshihikari」
- The rice was grown by using wicker pots so that we could move them, easily.
- If the rice became to specified developing stage, they would be moved to the flood zone
- After the fixed duration was passed, they were moved to the normal zone, again.

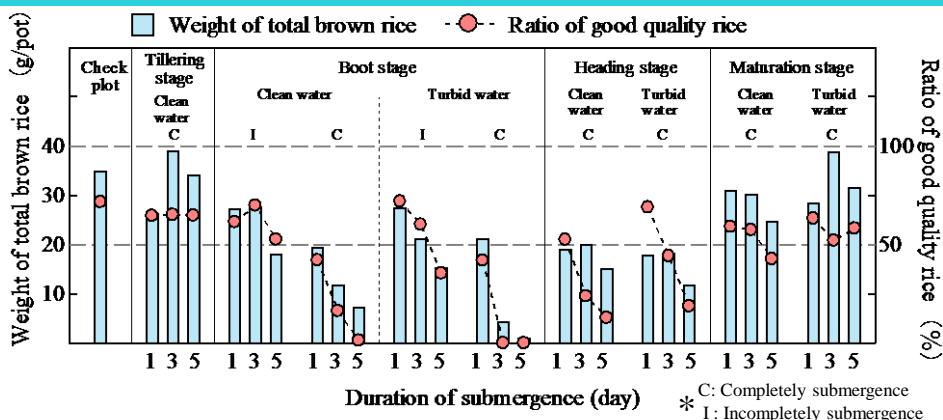


Setting of Flooding Conditions

I	Developing stage of rice	: 1) Tilling stage or 2) Booting stage or 3) Heading stage or 4) Maturation stage
II	Submergence situation	: 1) Completely submergence or 2) Incompletely submergence
III	Turbidity of water	: 1) Clean Water or 2) Turbid water
IV	Duration of submergence	: 1) 1 day or 2) 3 days or 3) 5 days

- Flooding condition was classified by combination of them.
- But,...You can be **free to set these conditions and cultivar**.
- Finally, the scale will be created based on the result of Yield Survey in each condition.

Results of Yield Survey in 2012



- After Harvesting, ①weight of total brown rice, and ②ratio of good quality rice were investigated, particularly.
- Reduction ratio was calculated by using **weight of good-quality brown rice** (calculated as ① × ②)

Reduction Scale in Rice Yield

- The results were arranged according to developing stage of rice.

Horizontal axis :

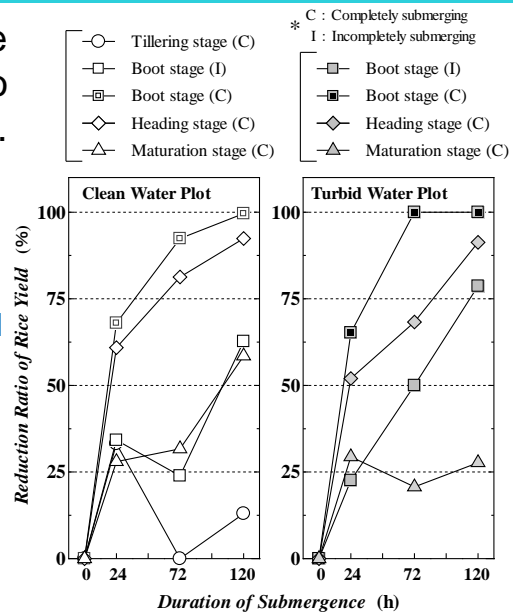
Duration of submergence

Vertical axis :

Reduction ratio of rice yield



- We can know the reduction ratio under any flooding conditions.

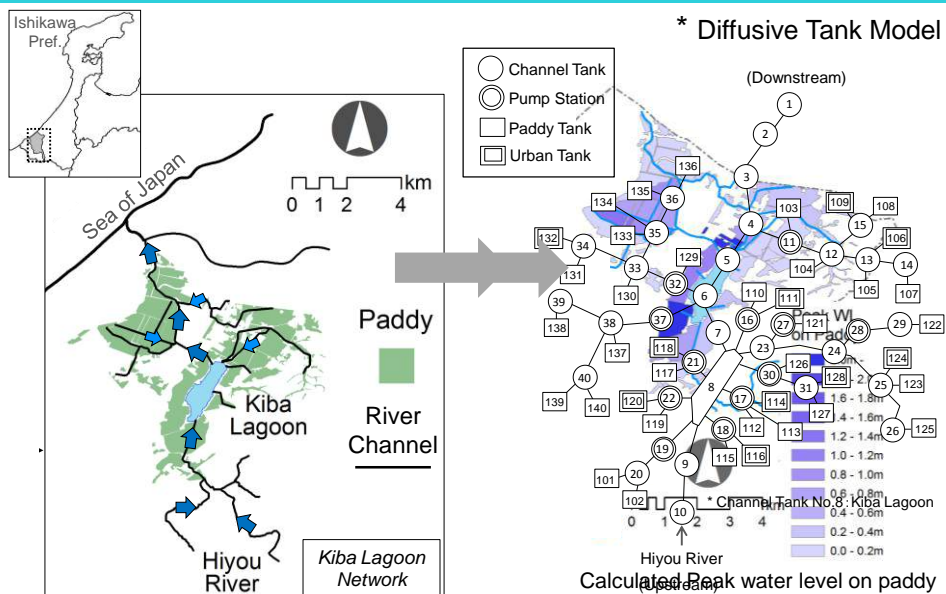


Application of the Scale

- The flooding damage on rice was estimated by applying the scale to outputs from simulation model.
 - » A heavy rainfall event, observed on **July 16th to 19th** (about 290 mm/3days) in 2006, was input to the model.
 - » **Hourly water depth on each paddy** (72 hours) was checked for the damage estimation.

Target paddy: The paddies, which was inundated **over 24 hours**, with a depth of **more than 0.3 m**.
(Criteria of drainage planning in Japan)

Target Area and Model Diagram



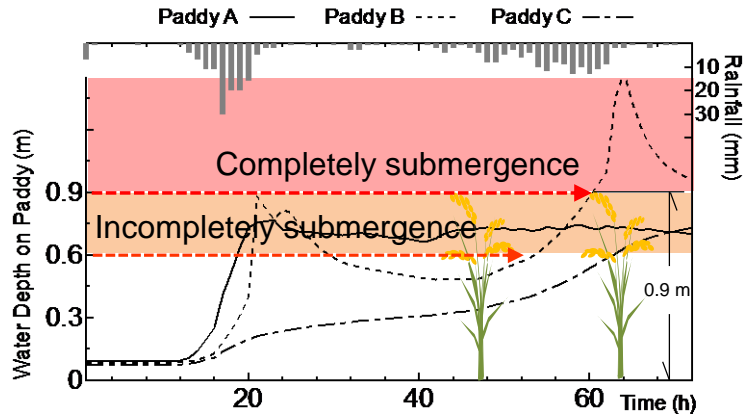
Assumptions for Damage Estimation

We have to know...

1. **Developing Stage** = To use for selection of the reference scale
2. **Duration of Submergence** = To use for estimation of reduction ratio

- Developing stage = 「**Booting Stage**」
 - » Decided from occurrence date of the event. (July 16th ~ 19th)
- Duration of Submergence was clarified from relation between plant length and water depth on paddy.
 - » Plant length in booting stage is about 0.9 m. (from investigation)

Calculation of Submergence Duration



- The durations were calculated separately divided into **completely** and **incompletely** submergence.

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} 0.6 \text{ m} < H < 0.9 \text{ m} & \Rightarrow \text{Incompletely Submergence} \\ 0.9 \text{ m} < H & \Rightarrow \text{Completely Submergence} \end{cases}$$

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Damage estimation in Each Paddy

Paddy Block No.	Area of Paddy block A (10a)	Incompletely Submerging		Completely Submerging		Total Reduction Ratio R (%)	Damage Amount of rice D (kg)
		Period of Duration (hour)	Reduction ratio r_i (%)	Period of Duration (hour)	Reduction ratio r_c (%)		
117	812	54	39.7	0	0.0	39.7	170,797
129	193	35	28.9	13	35.3	54.0	55,321
131	320	22	20.7	19	51.6	61.6	104,647
135	535	18	17.0	11	29.9	41.8	118,606
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮

$$\begin{cases} R = r_i + (100 - r_i) \times r_c & (1) \quad r_i, r_c: \text{Reduction ratio from the scale} \\ D = A \times R \times Y_n & (2) \end{cases}$$

Y_n : Normal Yield per unit area (here, **5300 kg/ha**)

Total of Damage and Economic Loss

- The total damage amount of rice yield was estimated as about **900,000 kg** at this event.
 - » Equal to 15,000 bags (1 bag = 60 kg)
- We can also convert the amount into money to estimate economic loss (E_{loss}).
 - » $E_{loss} \text{ (Yen)} = B \times P$ (3)
 - $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} B: \text{Number of bags (= 15,000 bags)} \\ P: \text{The purchase price of a bag (= 16,000 Yen)} \end{array} \right.$
- The loss was calculated as **240 million Yen.**
(Equal to 2.3 million dollars or 2.4 billion KRW)

Conclusion

- We formulated the reduction scale in rice yield based on the result of the practical experiment.
- The result showed that the damage in rice yield would change significantly with the conditions.
- Simultaneously, we tried to assess damage on rice by using the scale and outputs from the drainage model.
- This result is one of examples, but this methodology is available to calculate the damage on paddies cultivated throughout a basin.



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Thank you for your Attention !!