

Coseismic Groundwater Level Changes and its Mechanism, Taiwan, 2003~2004

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Problem Statement

- The well-aquifer system as a strain meter
- The limitation of the observation
strain sensitivity?
- The responses to the earthquake faulting
Type? Time and Spatial Distribution?
- Mechanism of the coseismic groundwater level (GWL) change.
- Application for the precursor research

Goals of Our Work

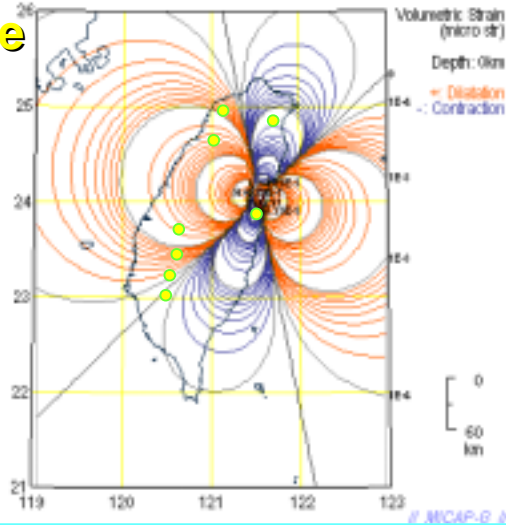
- Estimate the strain sensitivity of observation wells from tidal analysis and coseismic response.
- Check the possible mechanism of observation
- Using the high resolution observation to clarify the mechanism of the coseismic GWL changes in Taiwan

Methodology

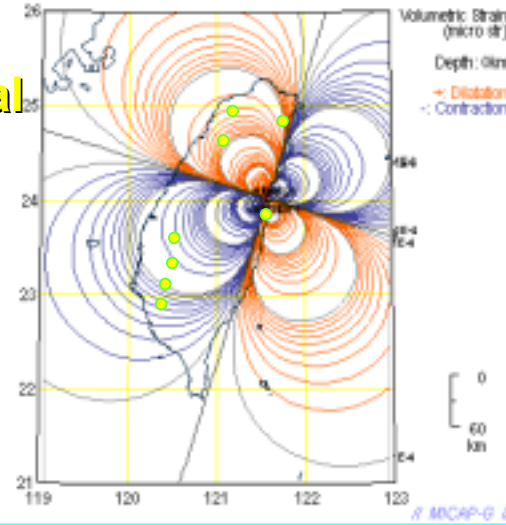
- Using Baytap-G Program to derived the Tidal component of observed groundwater level
- Derived the tidal potential from ETERNA Program
- Determined the static strain sensitivity by cross spectrum and tidal analysis method
- Derived the coseismic static volumetric strain using Okada(1992) dislocation program code

Using the Dislocation Model to Determine the Static Volumetric Strain

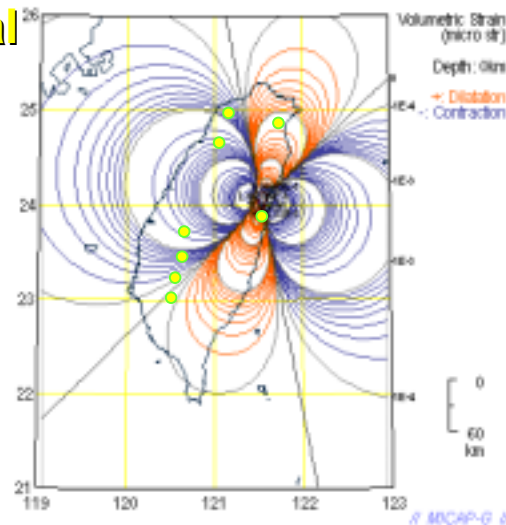
Reverse Fault



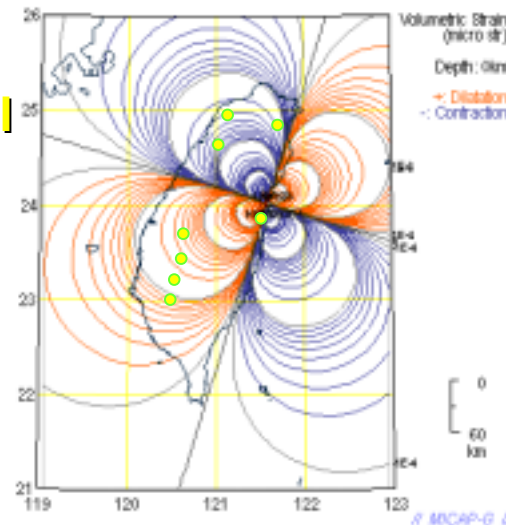
Left Lateral



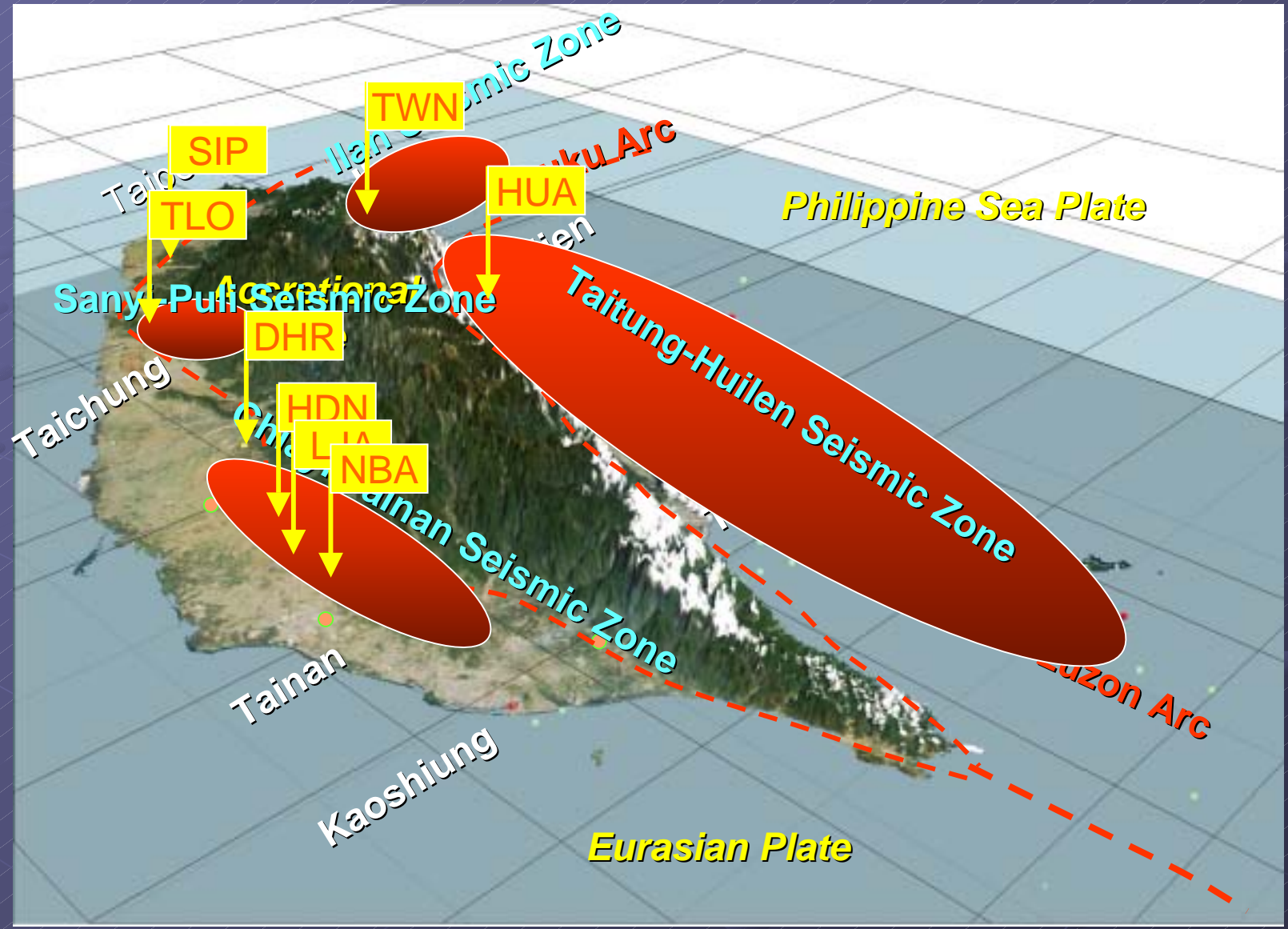
Normal Fault



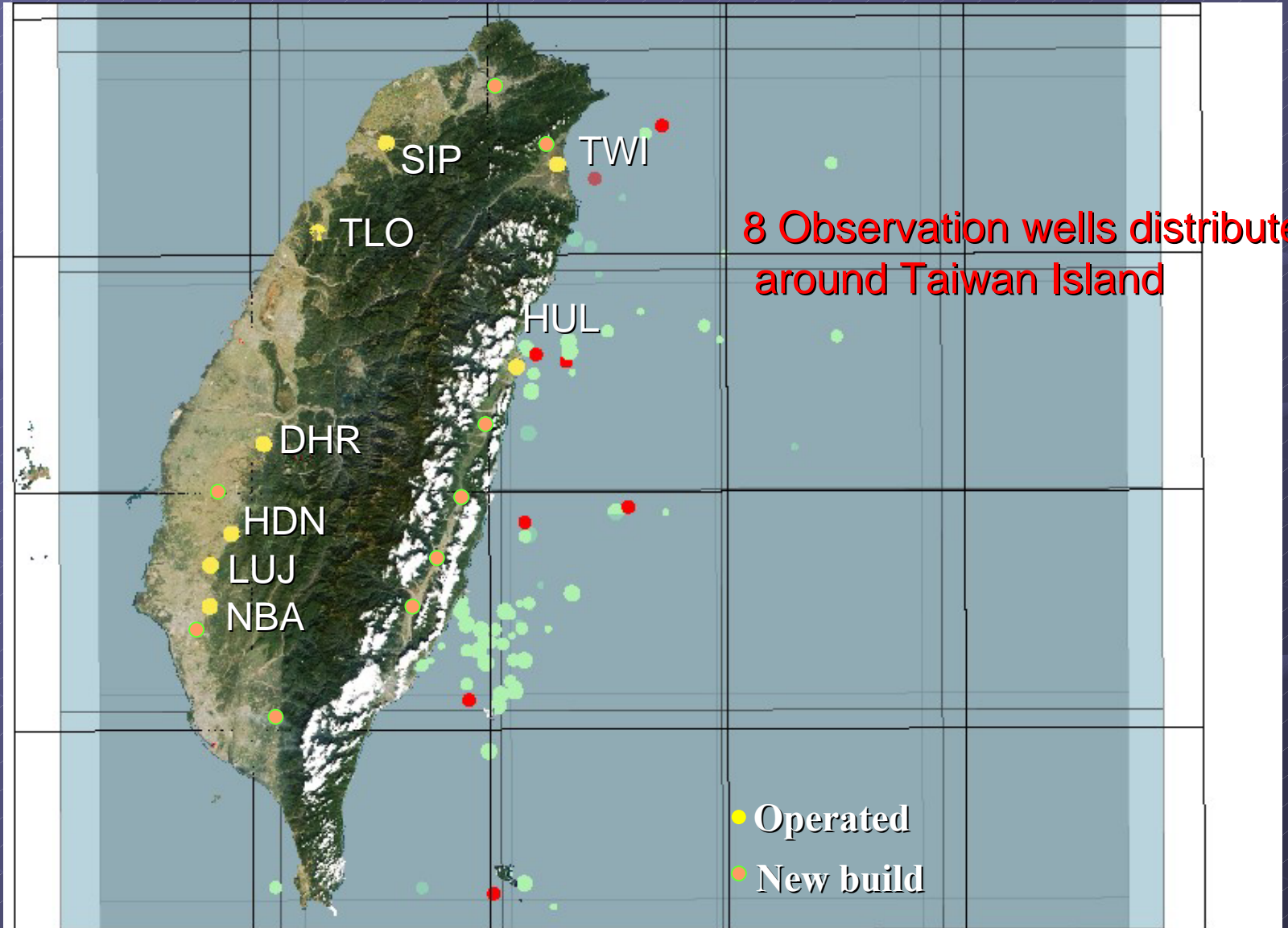
Right Lateral



Observation

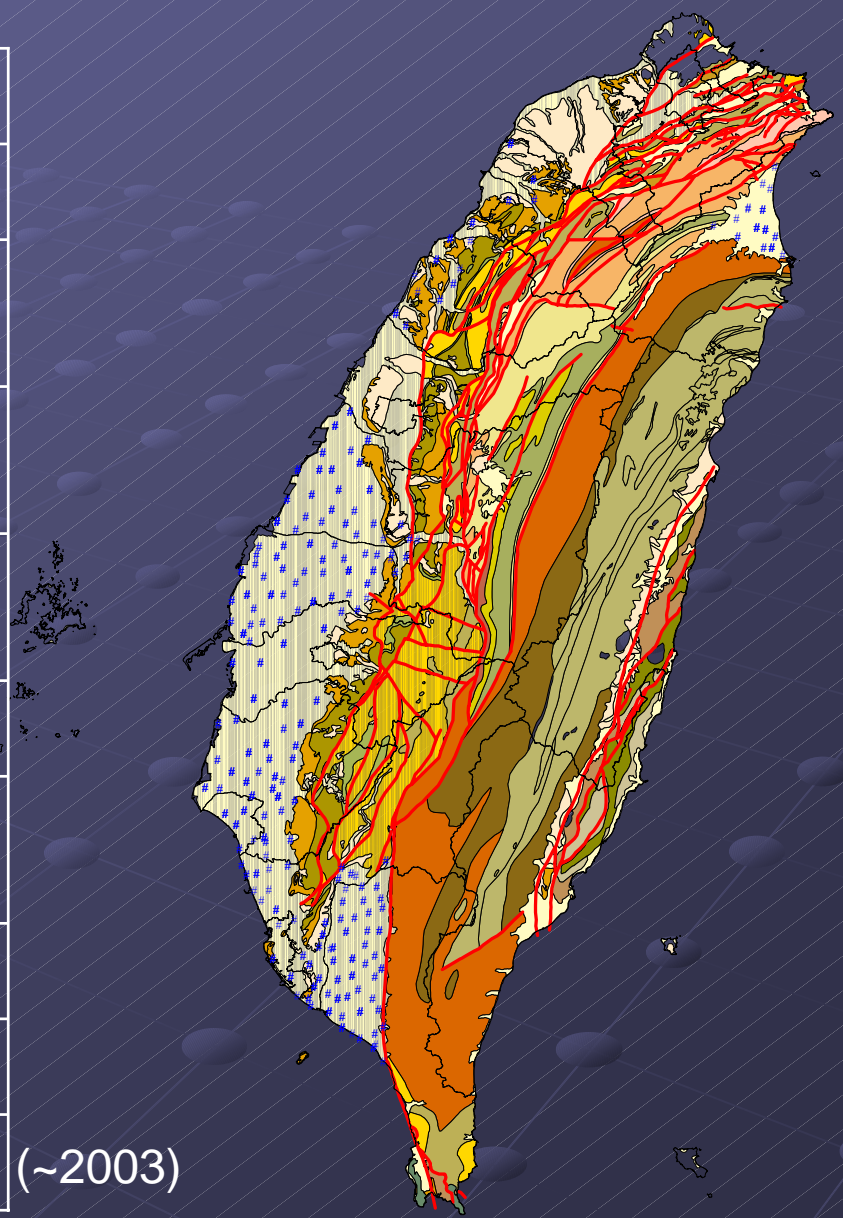


Observation



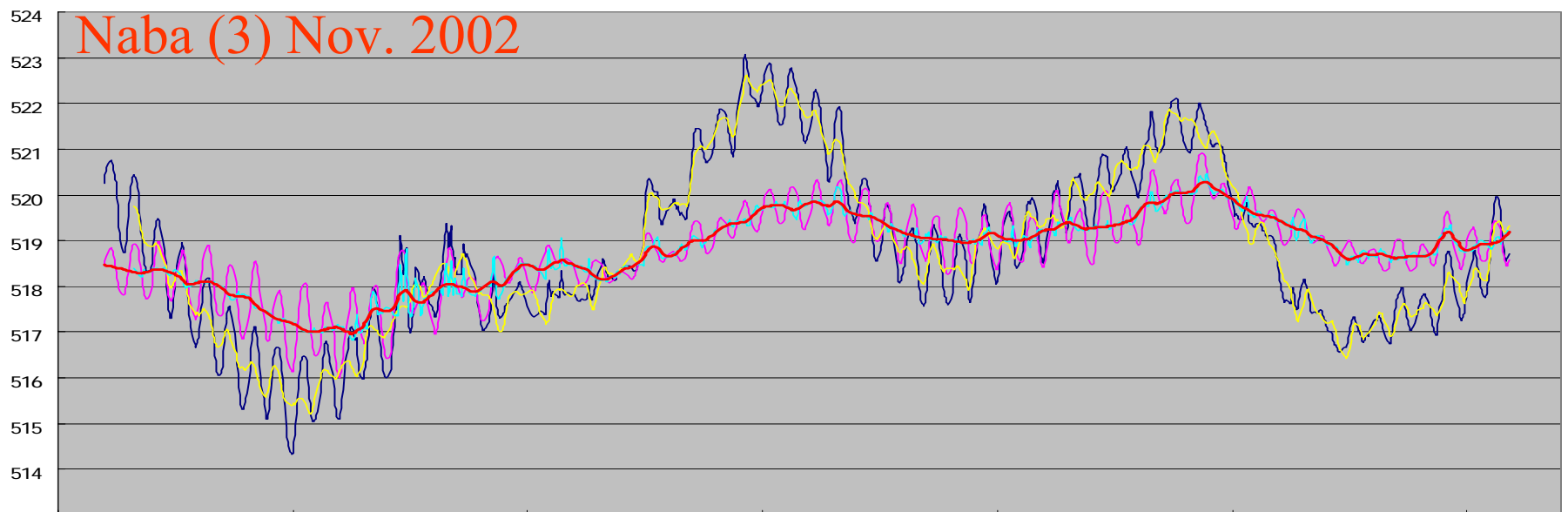
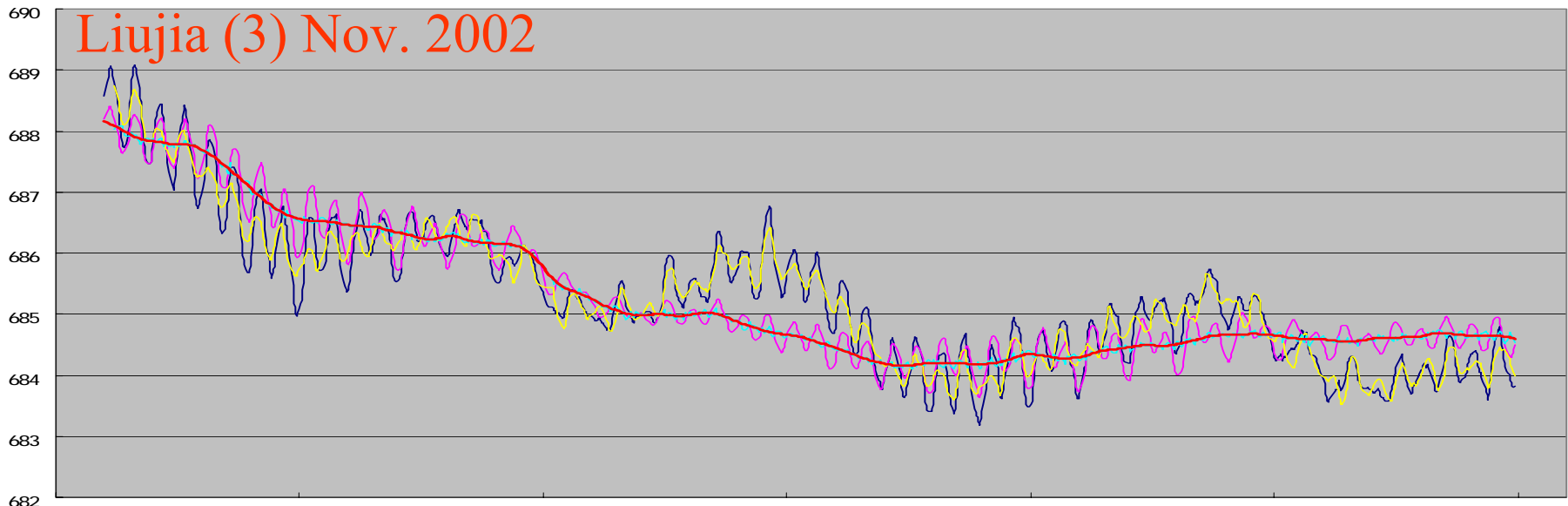
Groundwater Monitor Network of Taiwan

Sub-Province	Site	Well
Taipei Basin	2	4
Taoyuan Tableland	1	2
Hsinchu-Miaoli Area	16	35
Choshui River Alluvial Fan	70	193
Penhu Island	16	35
Chiayi-Tainan Area	45	114
Pingtung Plain	55	132
Ilan Plain	20	36
Total	239	550

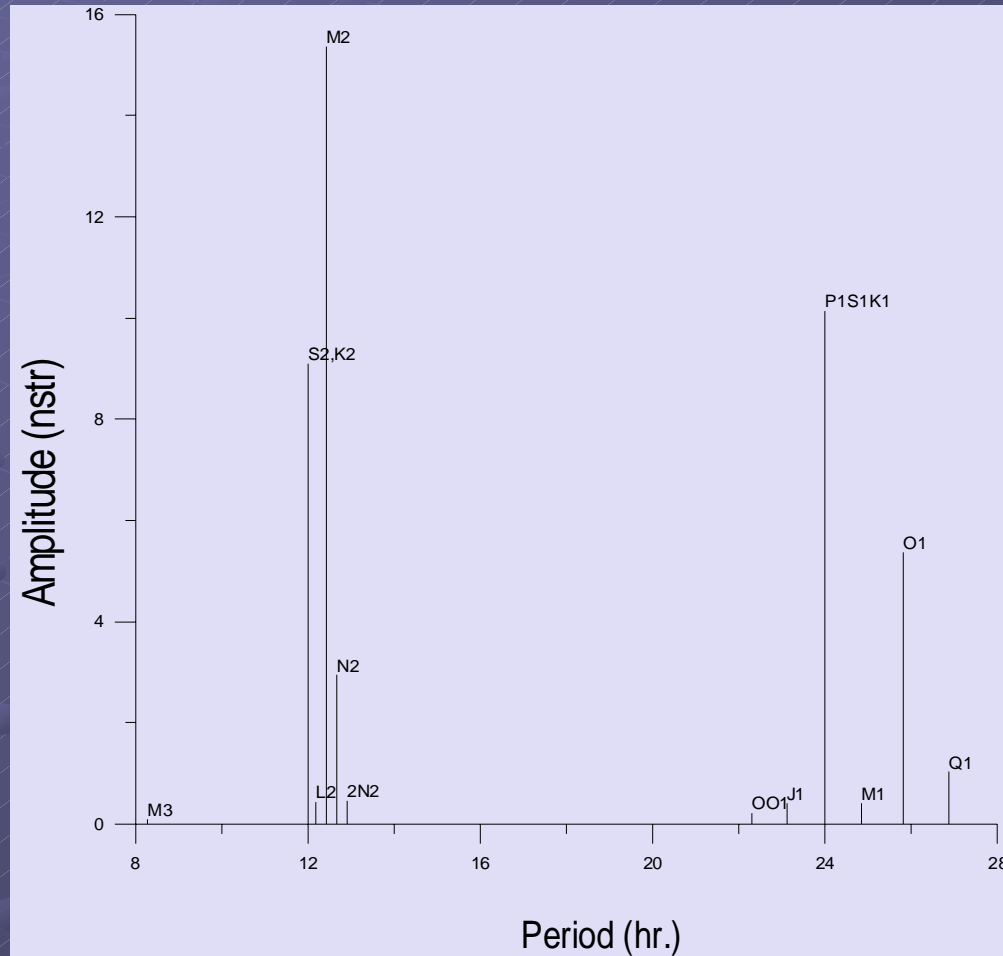


(~2003)

Observation Data

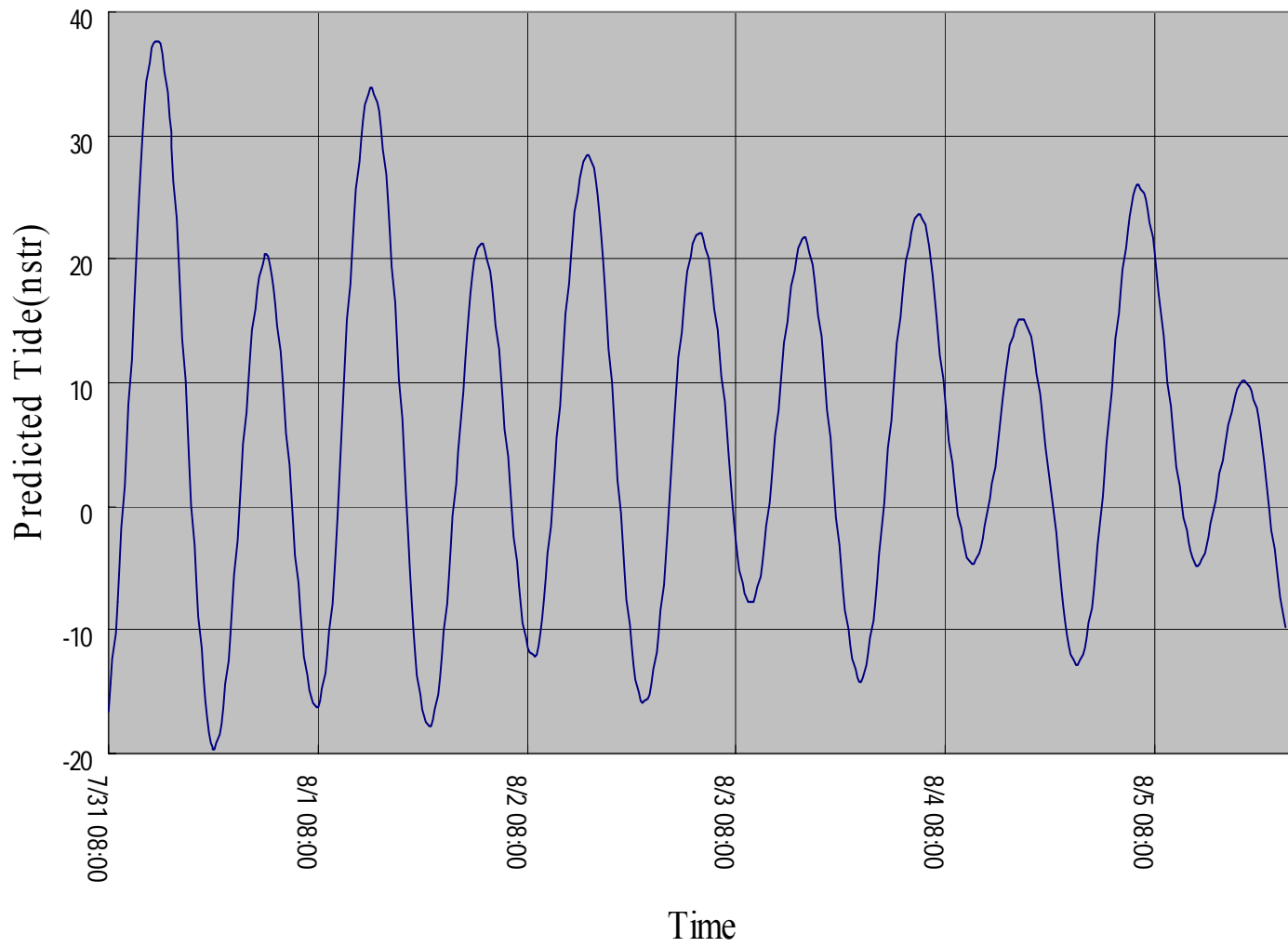


Spectrum of Tidal Potential (Derived from ETERNA Program)

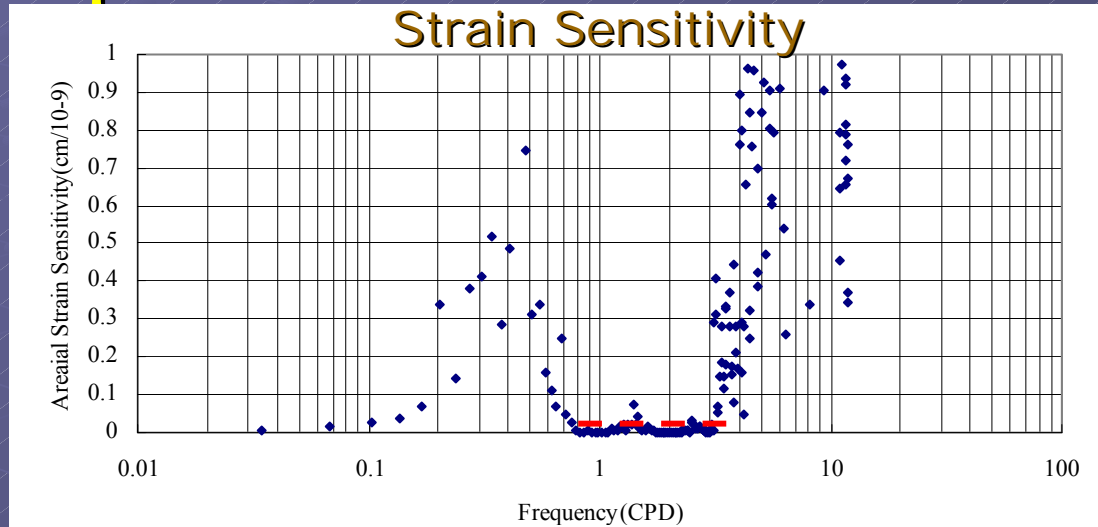


Tidal Potential Series of Observation

(Derived from ETERNA Program)

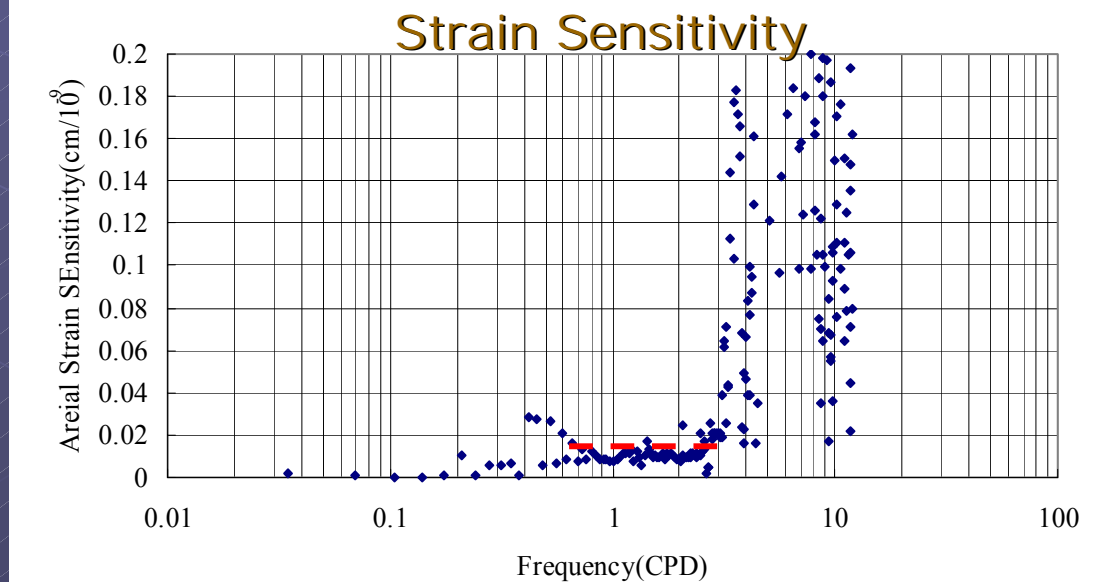


Transfer Function of Tidal Component (Responses to Volumetric Strain)



Liujia(3)
Nov. 2002

0.02 cm/ ppb
≈200 cm/ppm



Naba(3)
Nov. 2002

0.01 cm/ ppb
≈100 cm/ppm

Strain Sensitivity Estimation

Observation	M2 Amp.(cm)	Strain Sensitivity
HUL	0.771*	~ 77 cm / ppm
TWN	0.401	~ 40 cm / ppm
NBA	0.419	~ 42 cm / ppm
LUJ	0.256	~ 26 cm / ppm
HRD	0.429**	~ 43 cm / ppm
DHR	0.507	~ 51 cm / ppm
TLO	0.336	~ 34 cm / ppm
SIP	0.480	~ 48 cm / ppm

* Effected by ocean tide

** Effected by pumping

Observation Results

Earthquake	observation	HUL	TWN	LUJ	NBA	HDN	DHR	TLO	SIP
2003/4/3 Taina, M=4.96	2			S	S				
2003/6/10 Taitung, M=6.5	3			S	O		O+S		O
2003/6/17 Taitung, M=5.9	2				O				O
2003/12/10 Taitung, M=6.6	7	O+S	O+S	S	B	S	O+S	O+S	O
2003/12/11 Taitung, M=5.7	1				S				
2003/12/18 Taitung, M=5.78	1	O							
2004/1/1 Taitung, M=5.9	1	O				O			
2004/1/6 Ilan, M=4.63	1		O+S	O					
2004/1/13 Hulien, M=5.0	1	S		O					
2004/2/4 Hulien, M=6.0	3	O+S	O+S					O	
2004/2/9 Hulien, M=4.3	2	O					S		
2004/4/20 Taitung, M=5.1	1	O							
2004/4/24 Hulien, M=5.3	1	O						O	
2004/4/25 Hulien, M=4.31	1	O							
2004/5/1 Hulienm, M=5.8	3	S	S	S				O+S	
2004/5/8 Taitung, M=5.7	4	O		S			O	O	
2004/5/16 Taitung, M=6.0	1	O		S					
2004/5/19 Taitung, M=6.5	6	S	O+S	S			S	S	O
2004/7/6 Ilan, M=5.8	1		S				S		

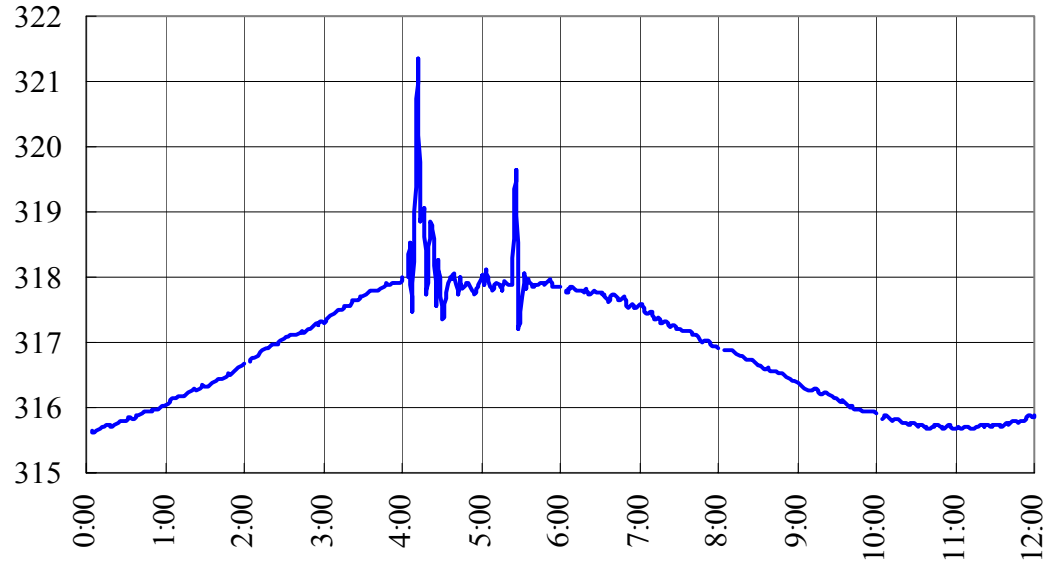
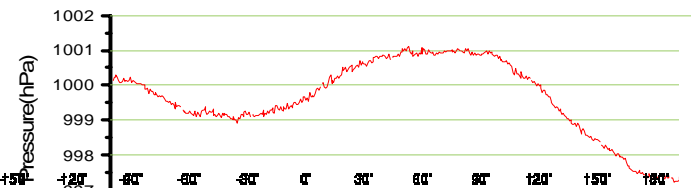
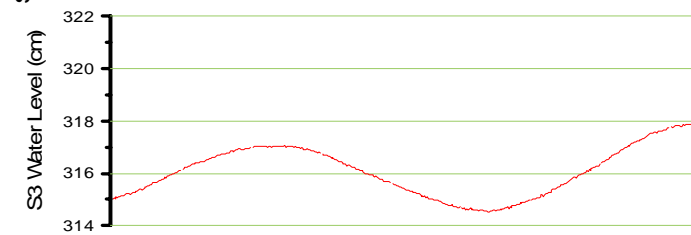
O: oscillation S: step-like change blank: no detect

Total 102 observations

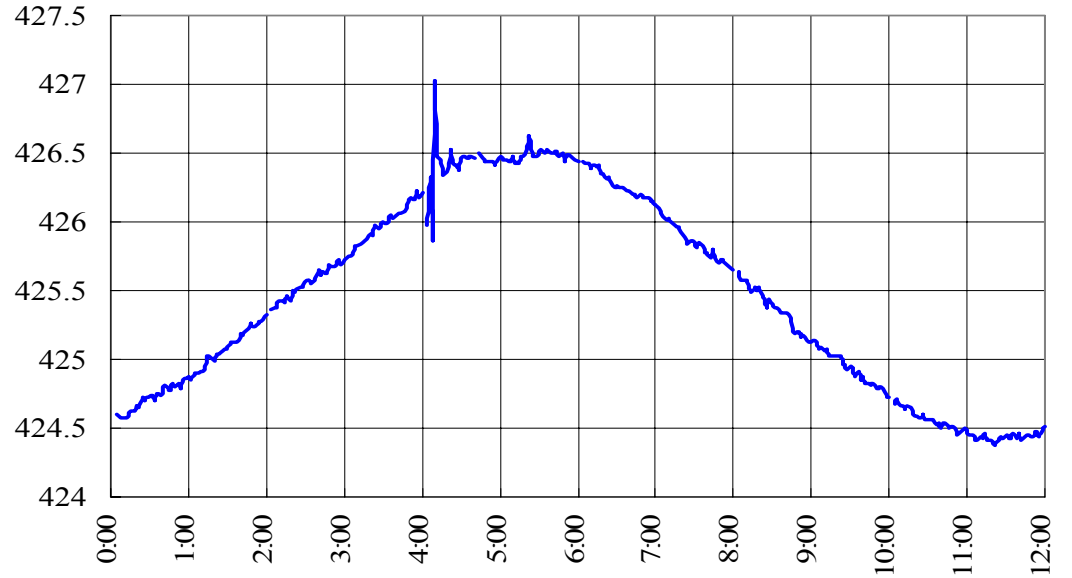
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Oscillation

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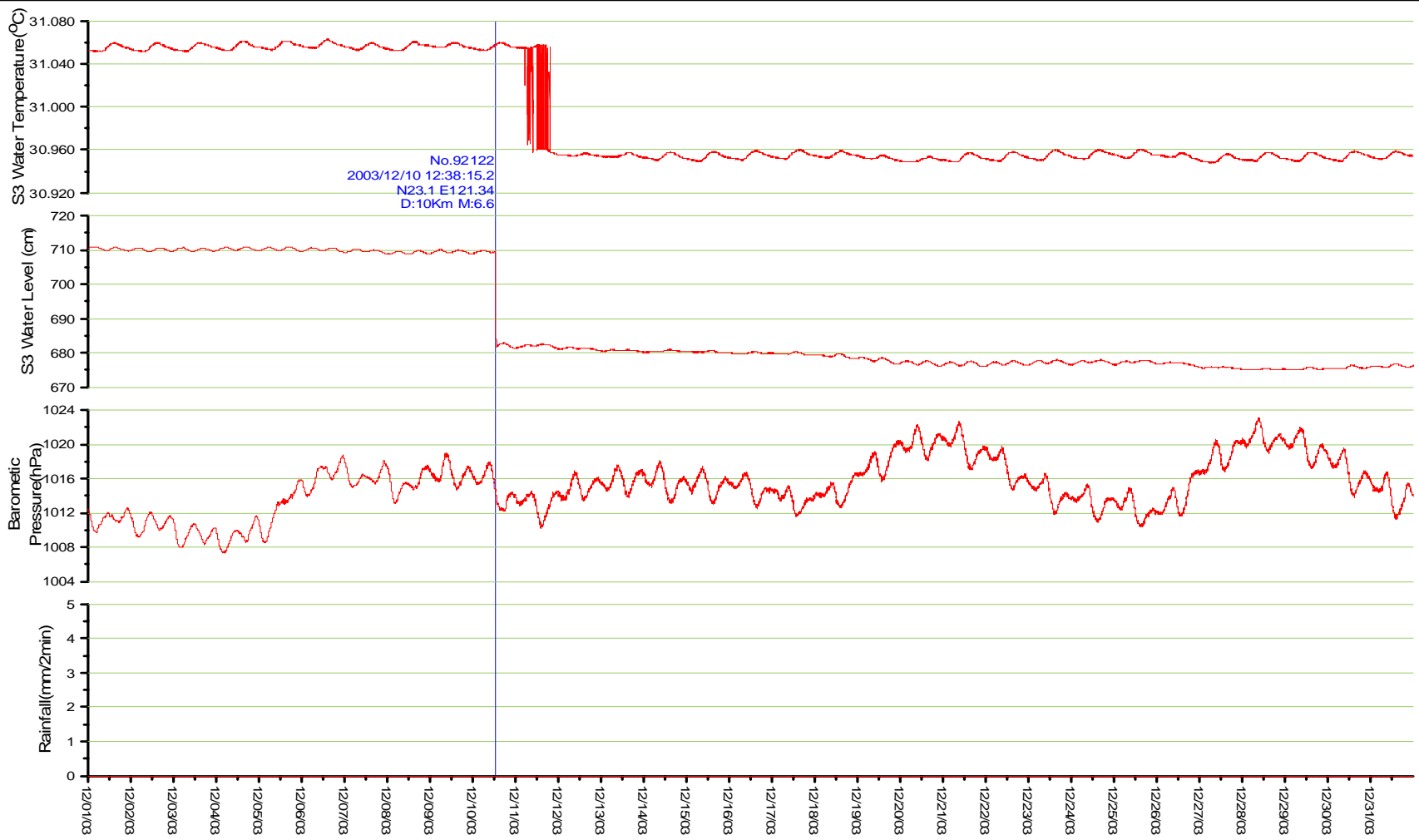
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Types of the Coseismic Responses: Step-Like Change

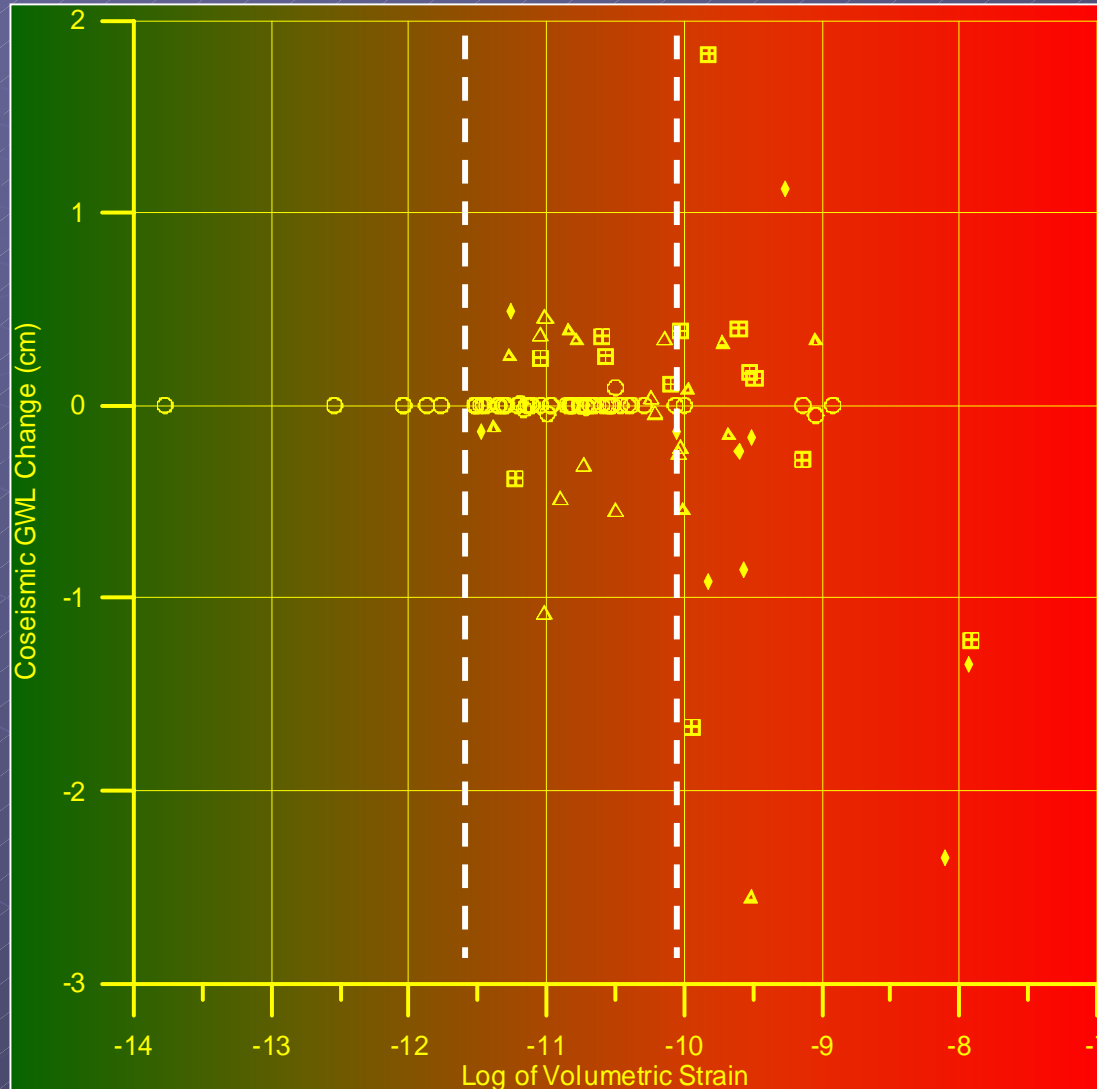
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Coseismic and Volumetric Strain



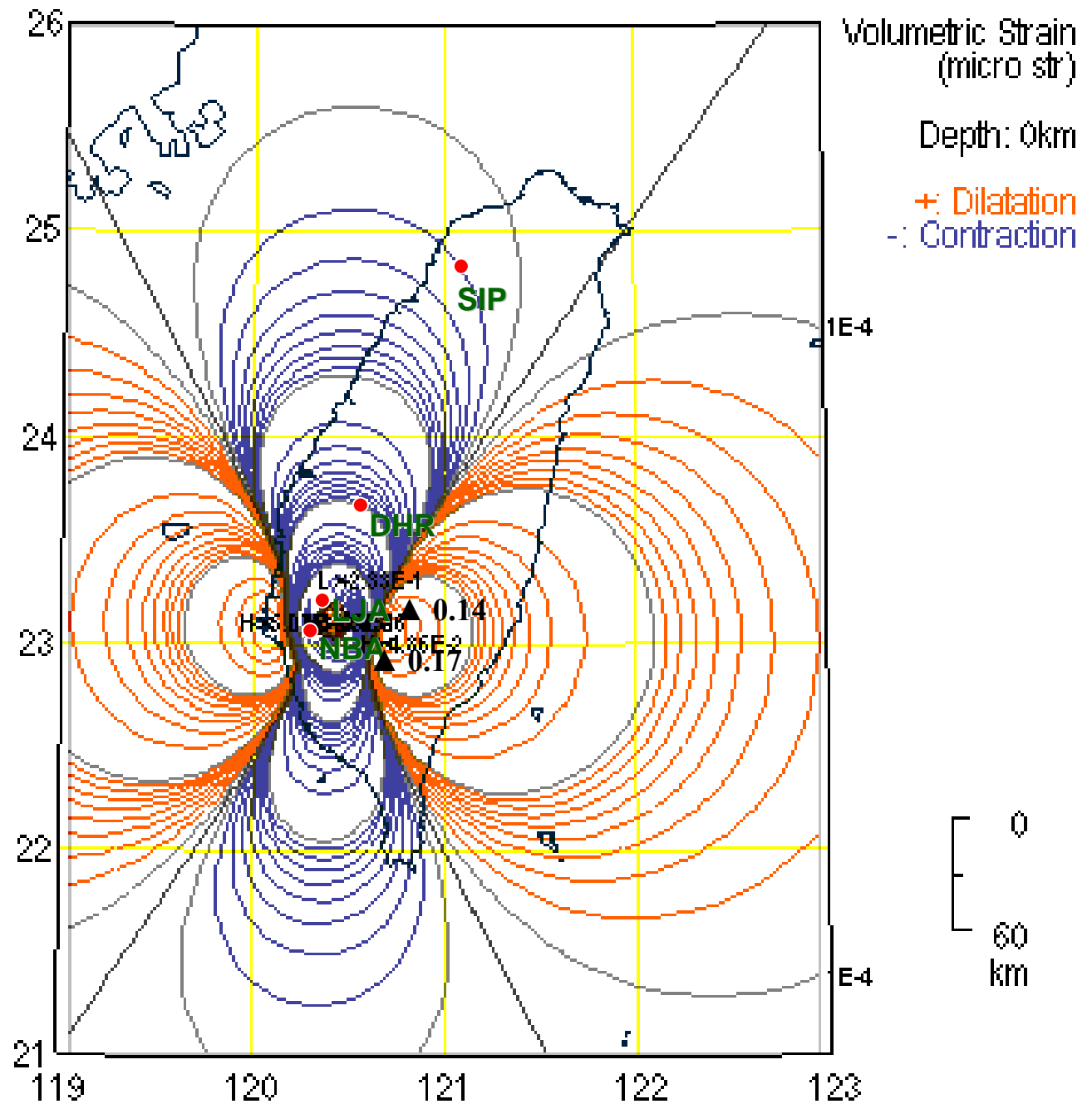
2003~2004 May
 Mw > 5
 Total 102 Observations
 No Detect: 56
 Oscillation: 21
 Oscillation and Step Change: 10
 Step Change: 15

Legend

- None Detectable
- Oscillation
- Oscillation and Step Change
- Step Change

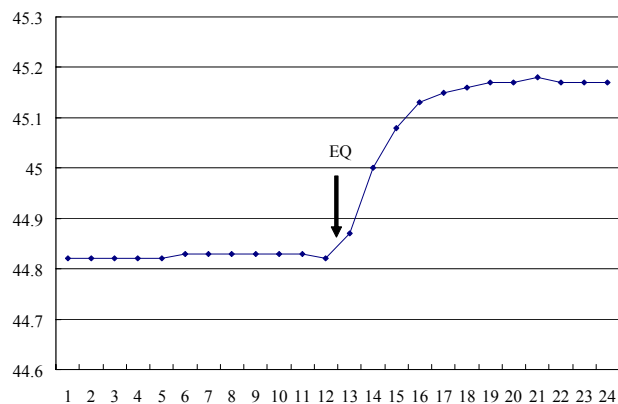
None Detectable Oscillation Static Vol. Strain

EQ 2003/4/3 Chiayi M 5.0

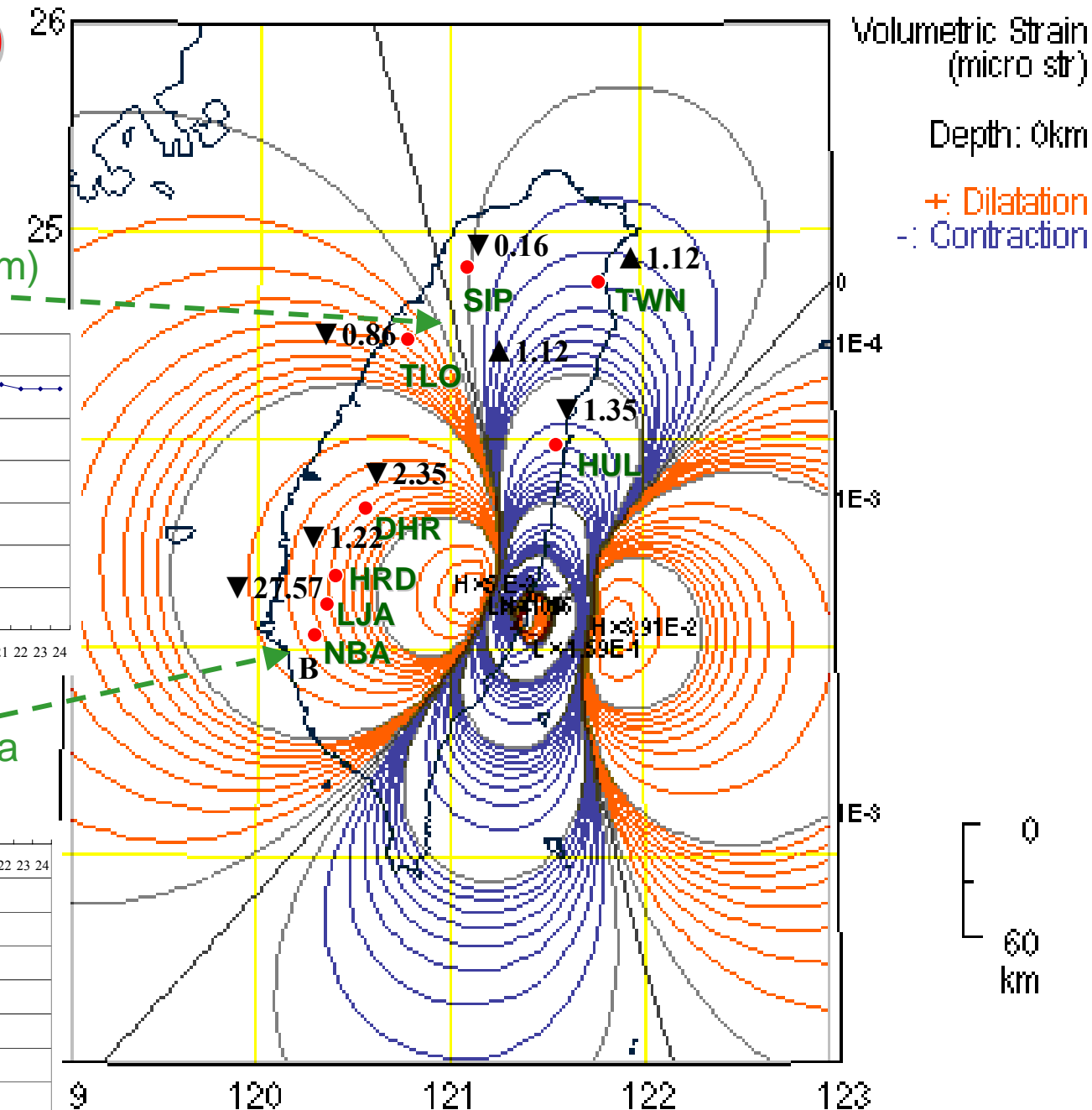
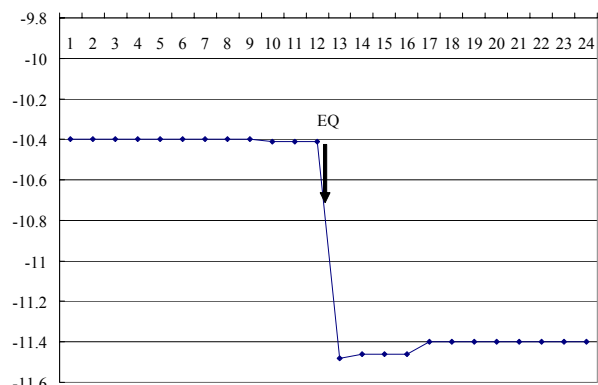


EQ 2003/12/10 Taitung M 6.6

2 wells increase in
Miaoli area (6cm~35 cm)

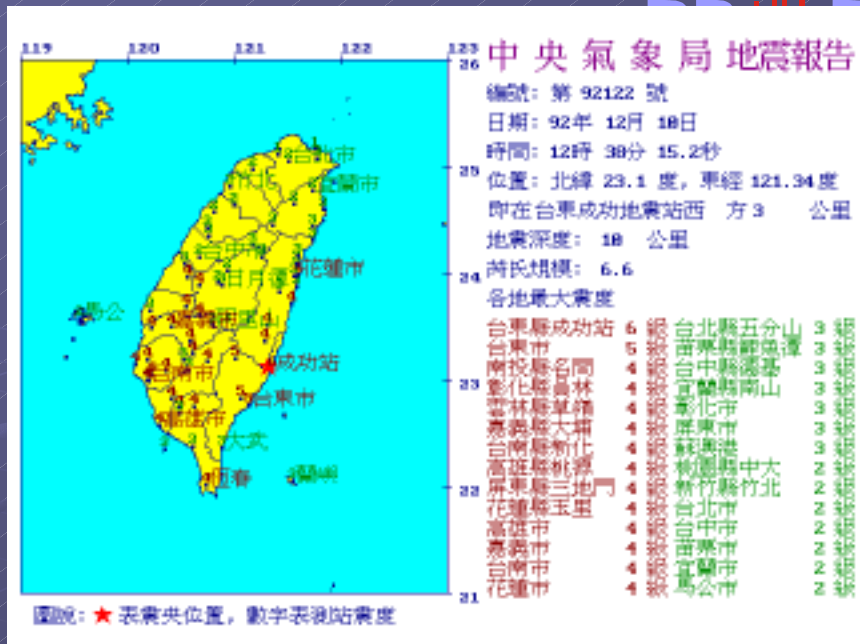


21 Wells decrease in
Tainan-Kaoshiung Area
(3~107 cm)

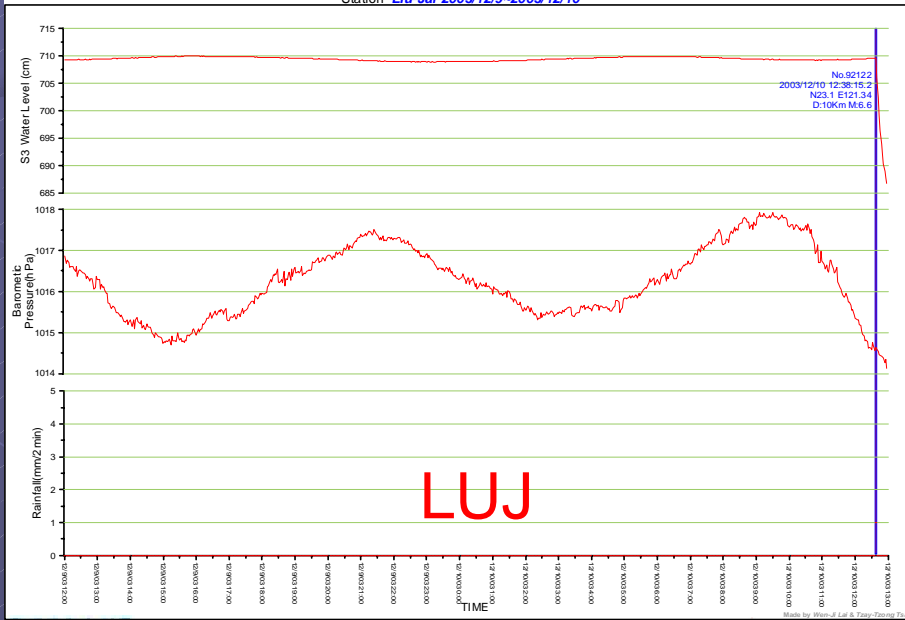


Coseismic GWL Changes in Observation Wells

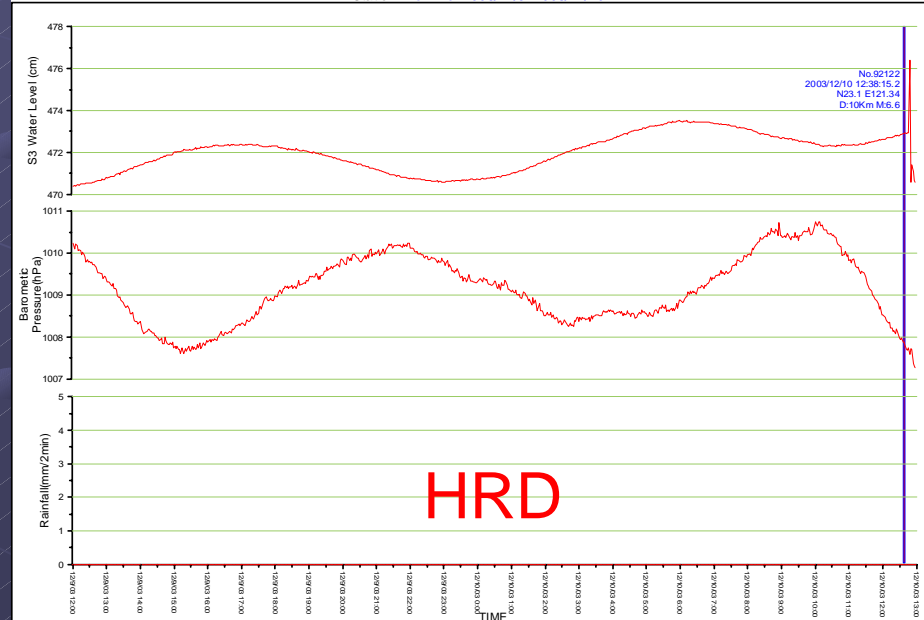
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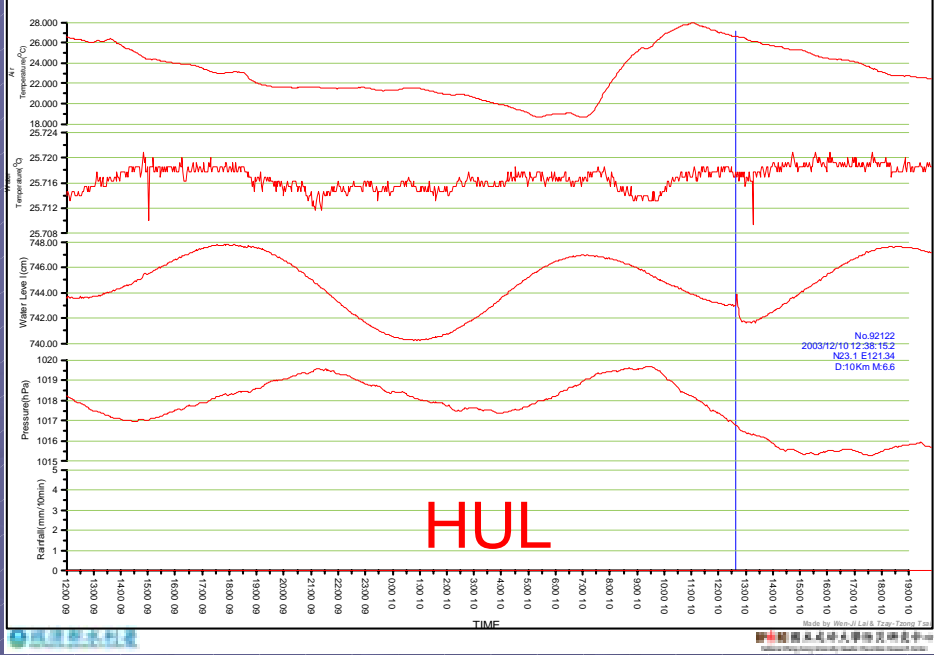


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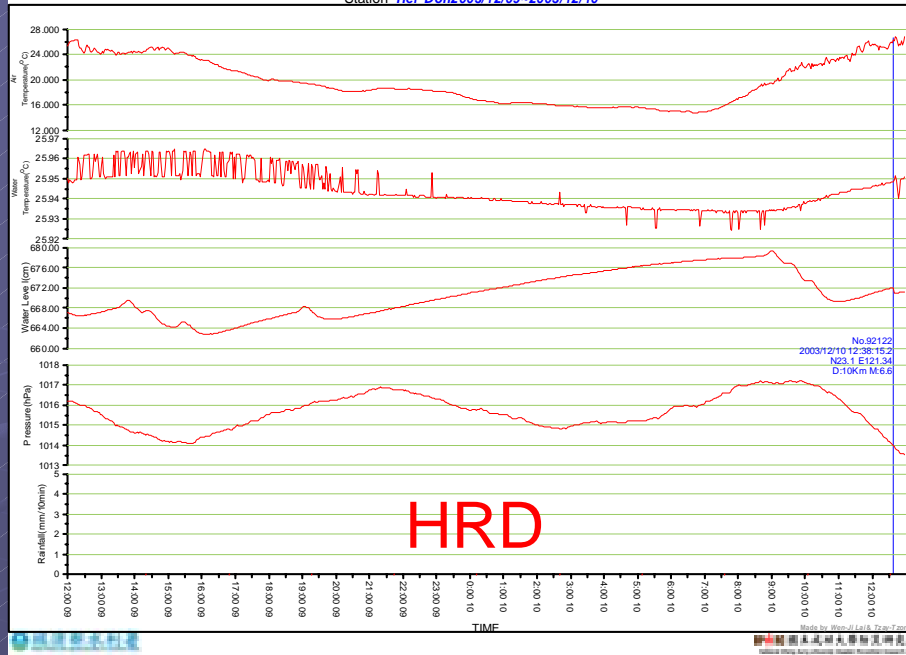
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Station *Hualien* 2003/12/09-2003/12/10



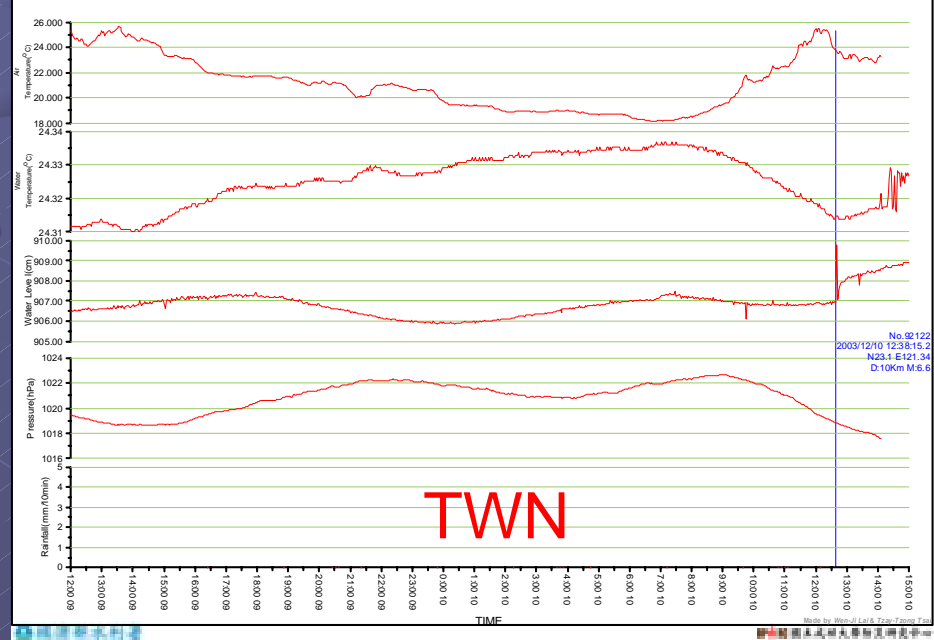
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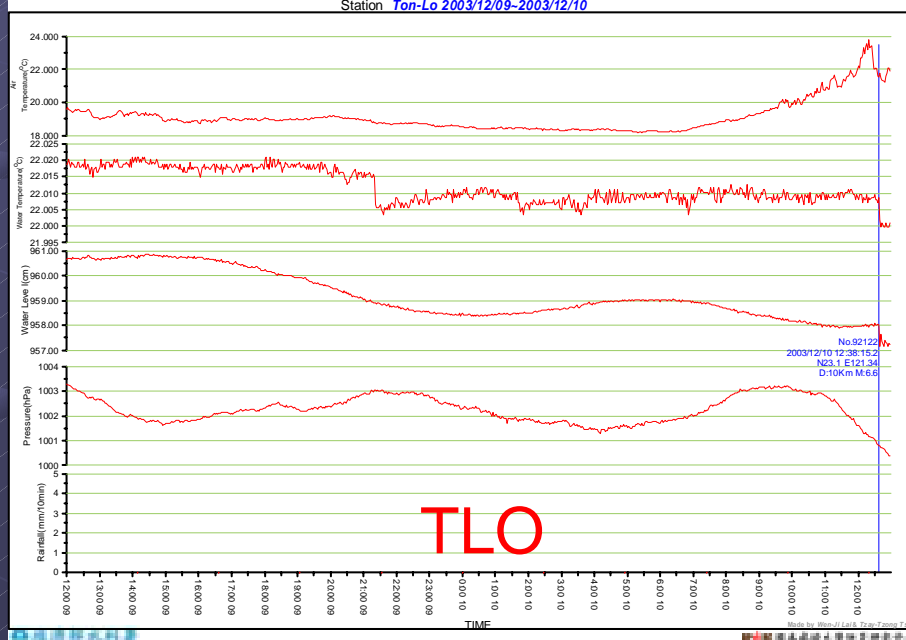
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Station *Chun-Wei* 2003/12/09-2003/12/10



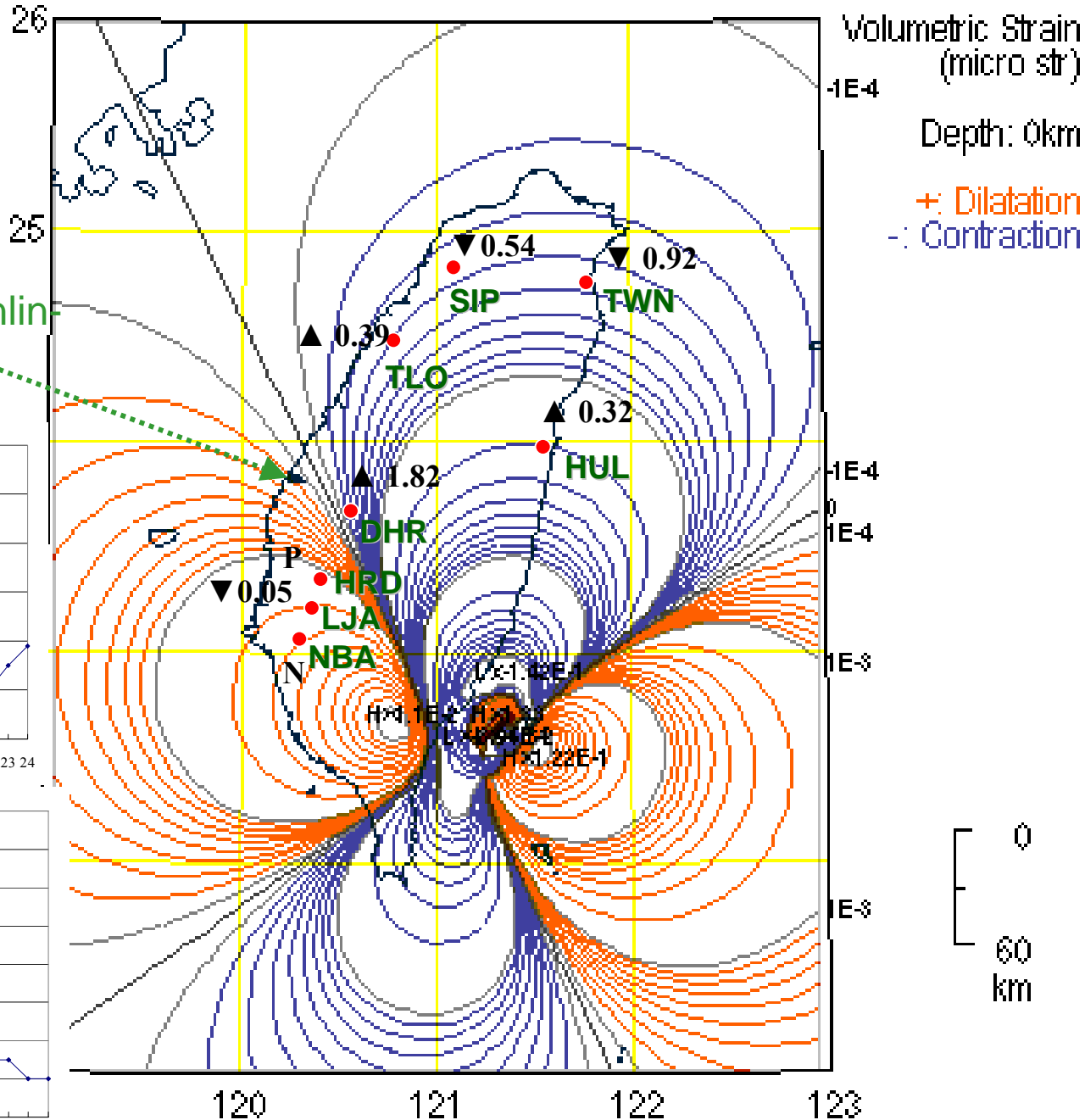
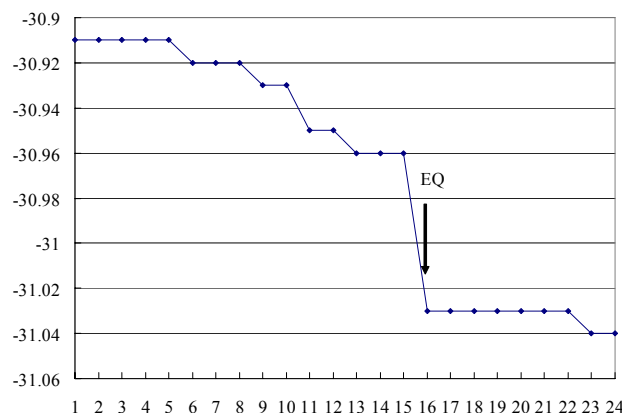
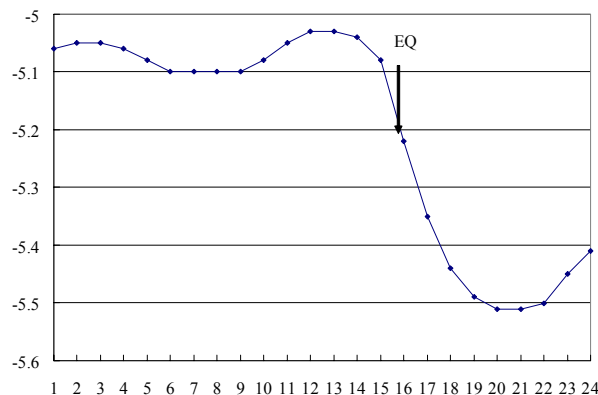
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Station *Ton-Lo* 2003/12/09-2003/12/10



EQ 2004/5/19 Taitung M 6.5 Model II

6 Wells decrease in Yunlin-Chiayi Area



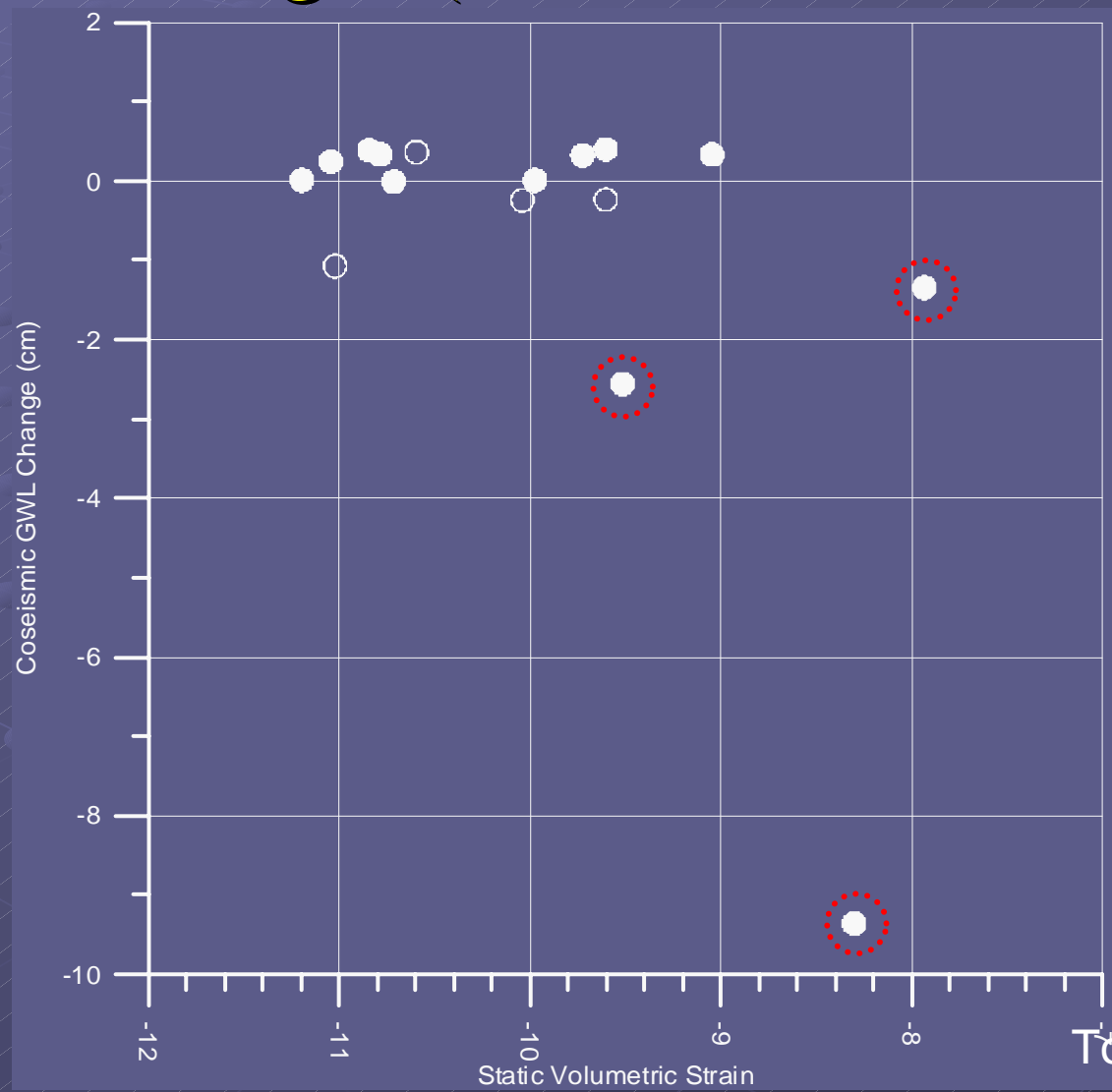
Discussion

- Coseismic response had two kinds different responses (Local/ Distant event).
- Why there so large difference between predicted value and observation ?
- Curiously Observation
- Possible Mechanism

Comparison of the coseismic Groundwater Level Changes (Observation: Hulien)

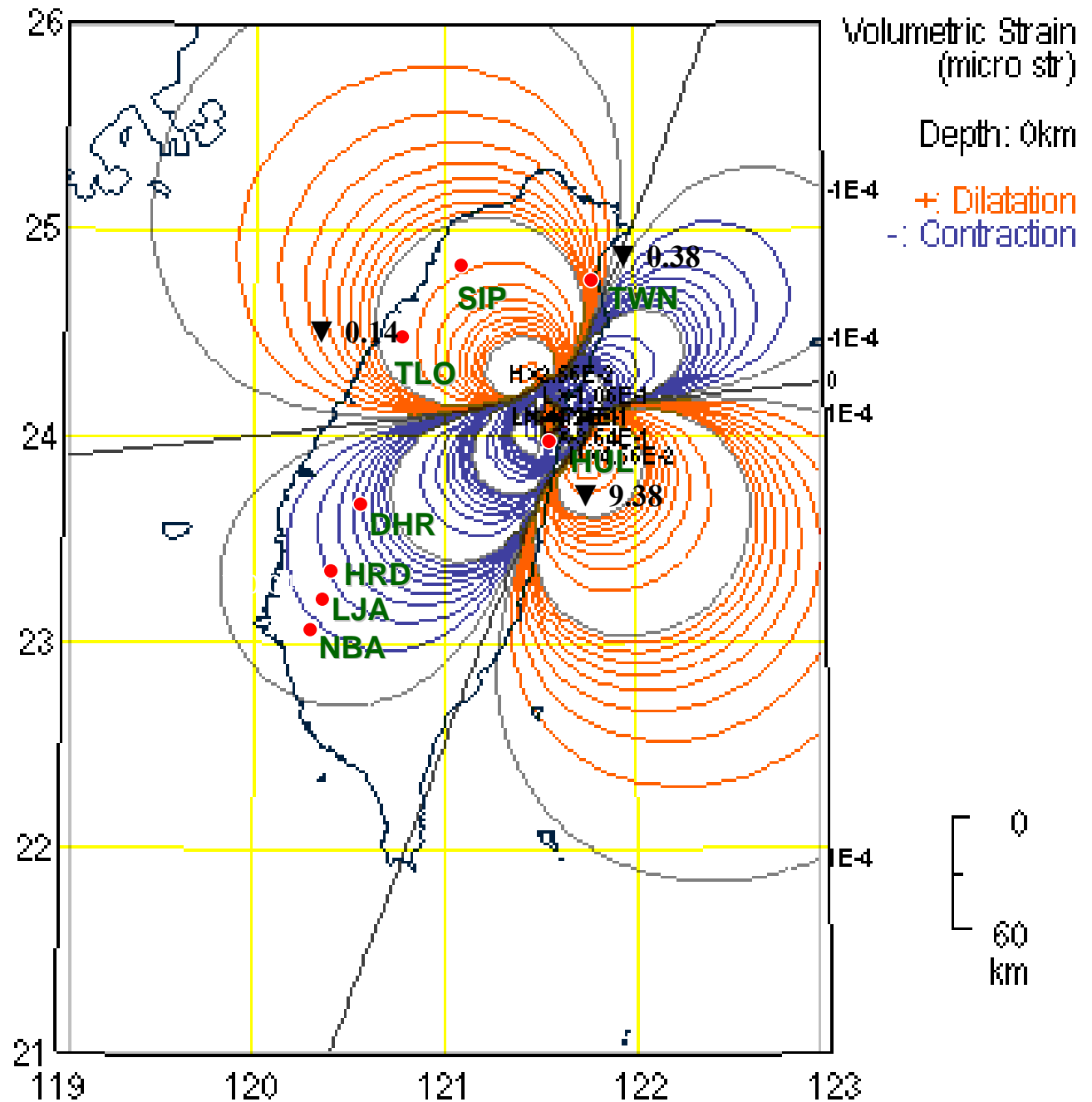
Earthquake	Vol. Strain	Pred. GWL Chg.	Observation	Type
2003/12/10 Taitung, M=6.6	-1.16E-08	8.91983	-1.3471	O+S
2003/12/11 Taitung, M=5.7	-1.93E-11	0.00297		n
2003/12/18 Taitung, M=5.78	-1.64E-11	0.00252	0.3313	O
2004/1/1 Taitung, M=5.9	-3.05E-10	0.04692	-2.5588	S
2004/1/6 Ilan, M=4.63	-2.49E-10	0.03832	0.3989	O
2004/1/13 Hulien, M=5.0	-1.06E-10	0.01628		n
2004/2/4 Hulien, M=6.0	2.49E-10	-0.03829	-0.2362	O+S
2004/2/9 Hulien, M=4.3	9.52E-12	-0.00147	-1.0751	O
2004/4/20 Taitung, M=5.1	9.12E-11	-0.01404	-0.2438	O
2004/4/24 Hulien, M=5.3	-8.98E-10	0.13830	0.3306	O
2004/4/25 Hulien, M=4.31	-1.44E-11	0.00221	0.3842	O
2004/5/1 Hulienm, M=5.8	2.54E-11	-0.00392	0.3602	O
2004/5/8 Taitung, M=5.7	-1.88E-10	0.02898	0.3200	S
2004/5/16 Taitung, M=6.0	-4.98E-09	0.76698	-9.3588	S
2004/5/19 Taitung, M=6.5	-9.03E-12	0.00139	0.2458	O
2004/7/6 Ilan, M=5.8	-6.38E-12	0.00098		n

Comparison of the coseismic Groundwater Level Changes (Observation: Hulien)



Total 16 observation

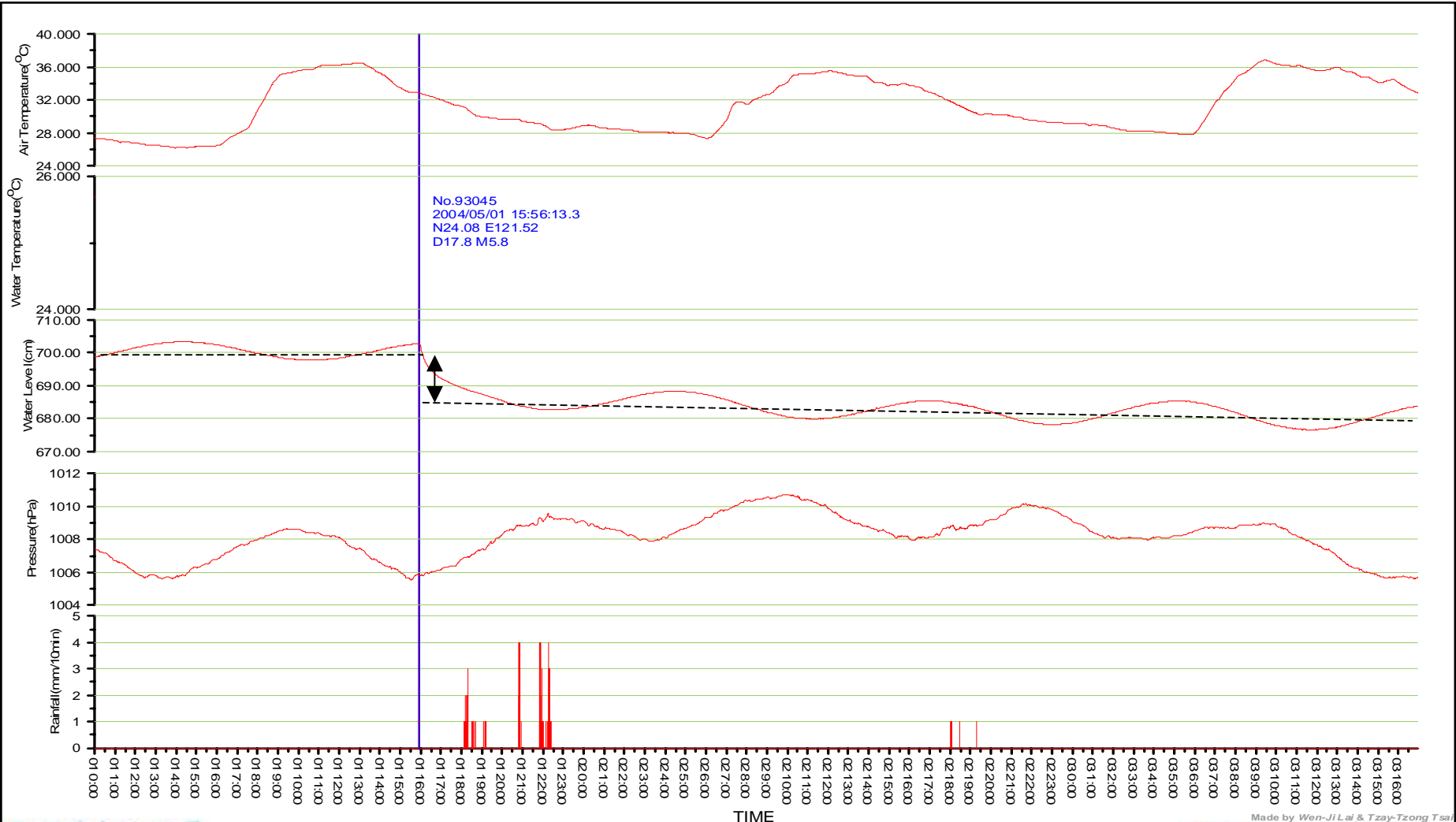
EQ 2004/5/1 Hulien M 5.8



Post-seismic Response of GWL Changes

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Location of Hulien Observation Well



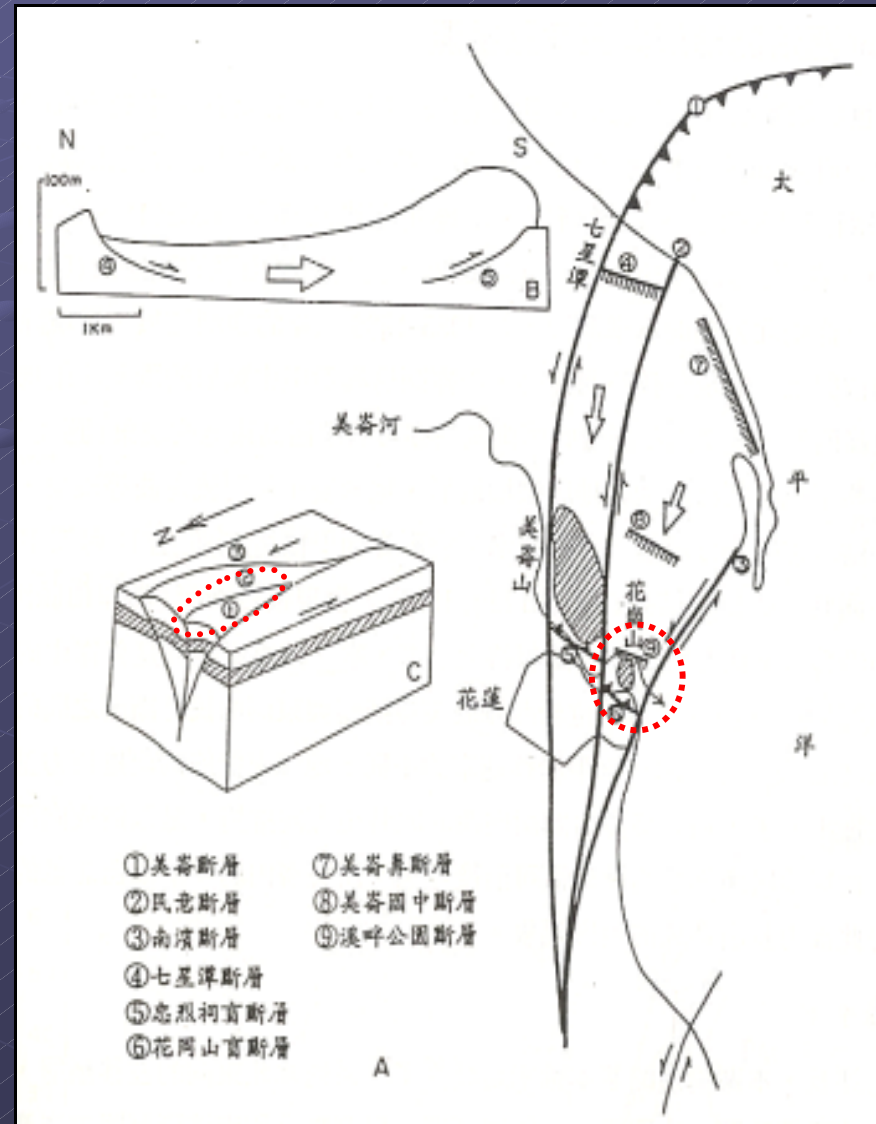
200 km



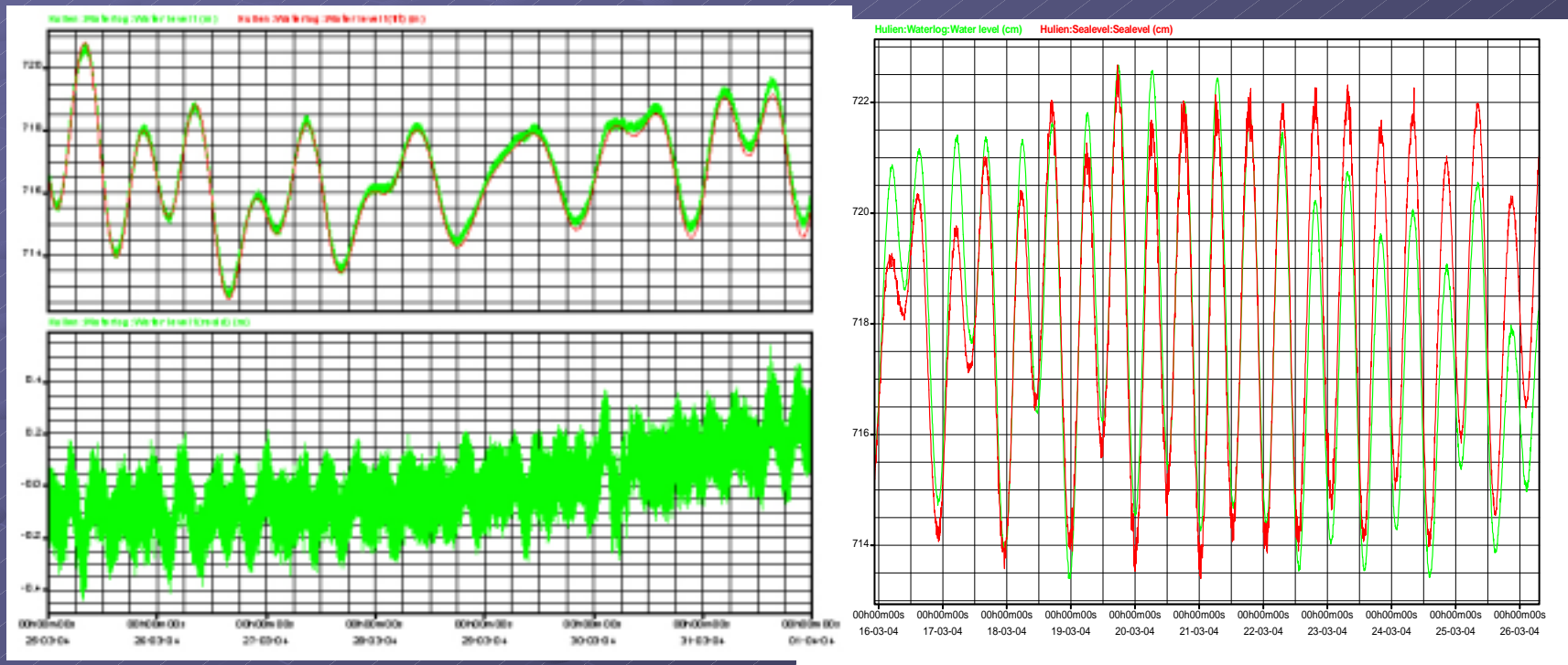
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Possible Mechanism of Observation in Huliien Observation Well

- Local geological structure environment
- Observation well located on fault zone
- Locally pull-apart setting will made the difference response with the predicted crust volumetric strain



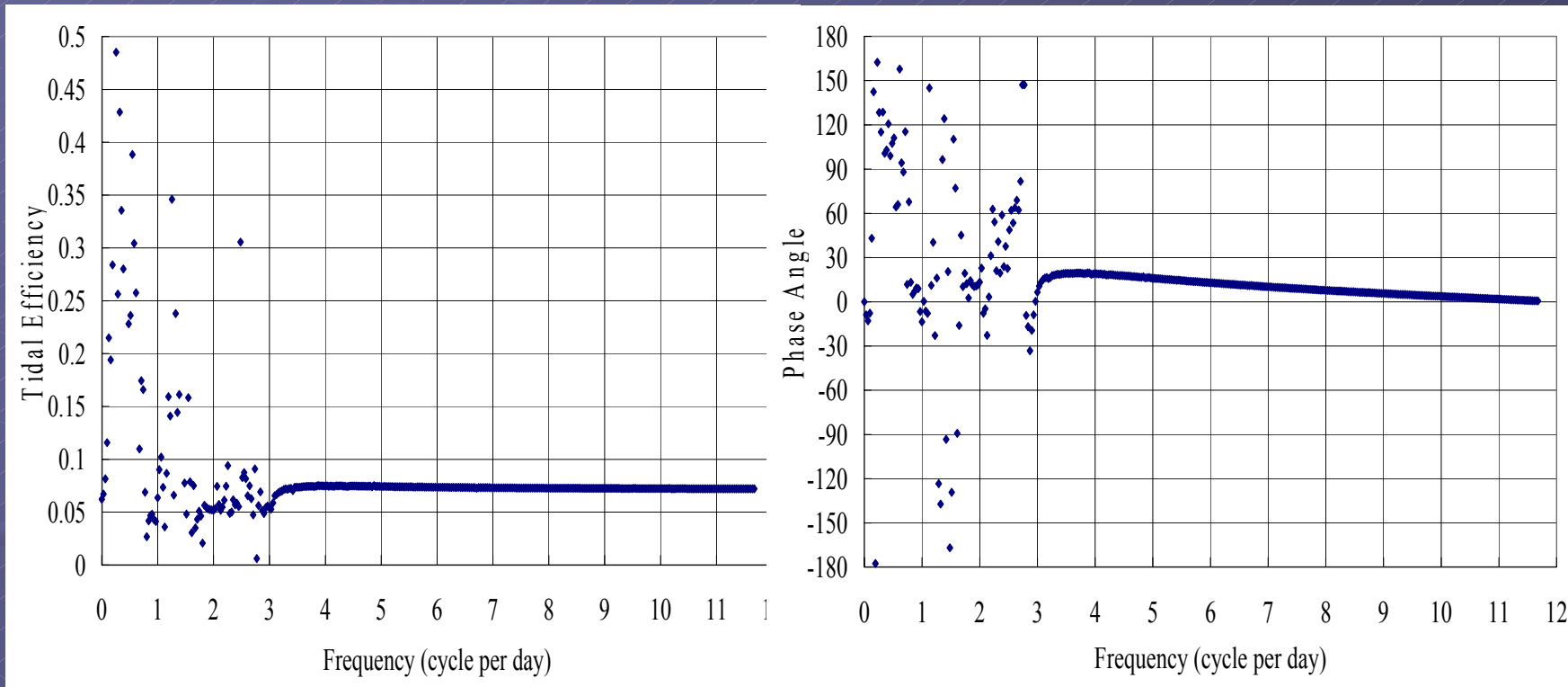
Comparison of Ocean Tide and Groundwater Level Observation



Red: Ocean tide observation in Huilen Harbor (6 min)

Green: Groundwater level observation in Huilen Observation(2 min)

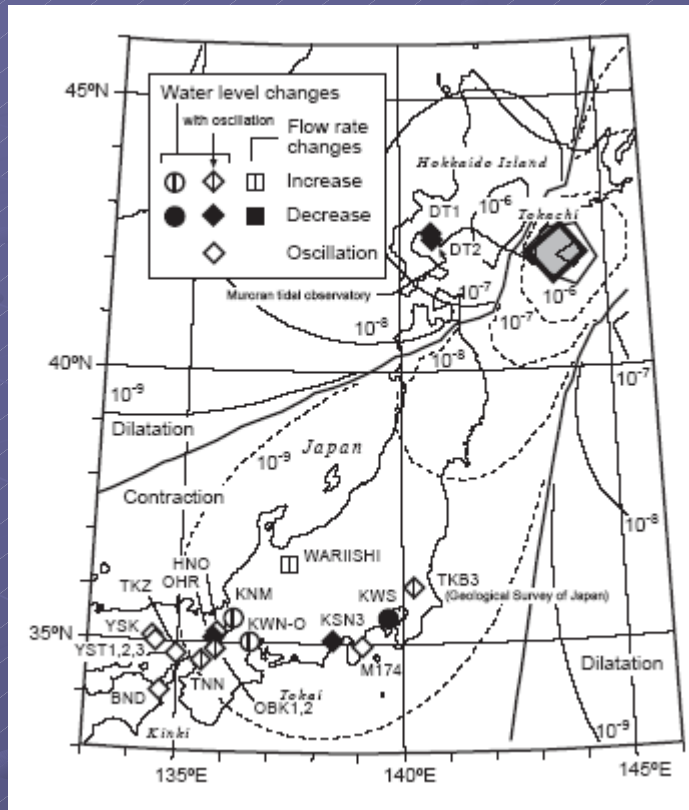
Spectra of ocean water loading to Huilen Observation Well



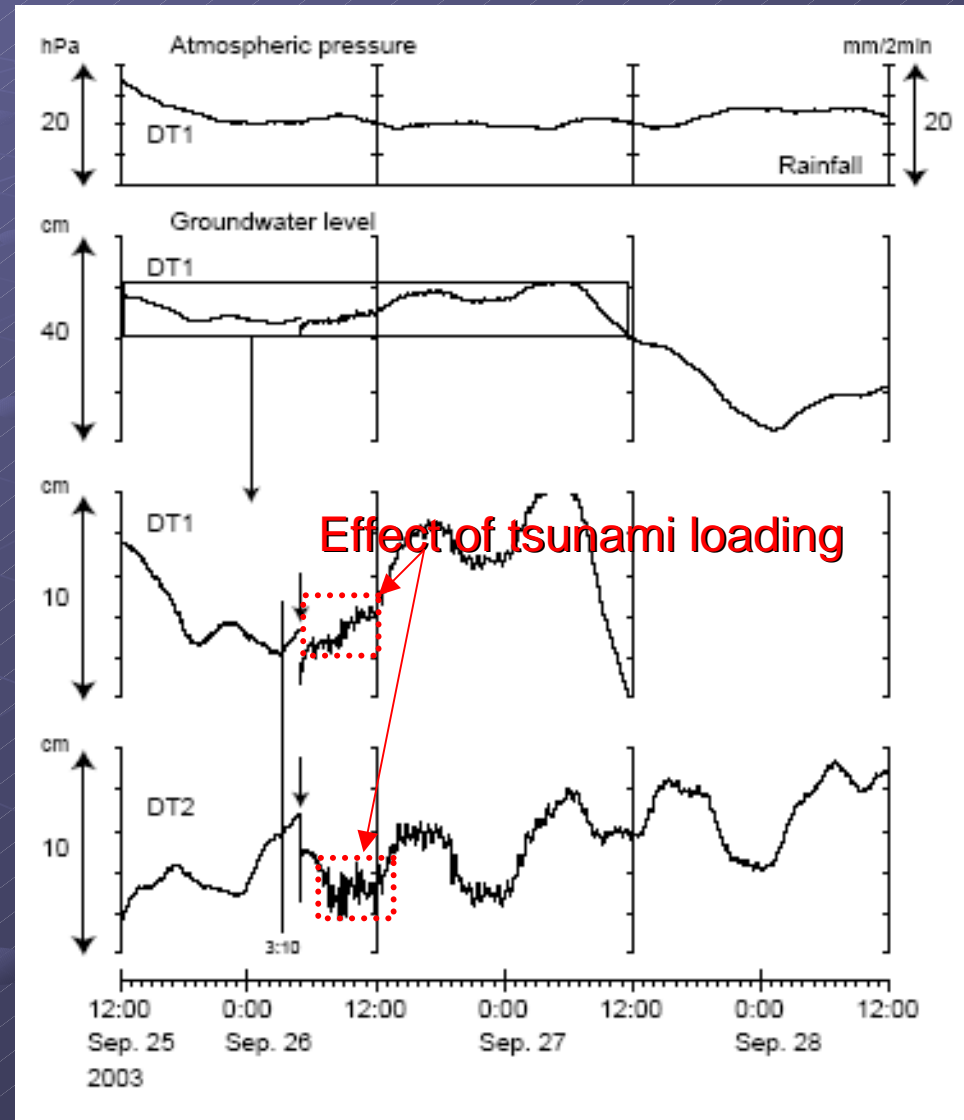
(a) Amplitude

(b) Phase Angle

Post-seismic Response of GWL Changes



Sato et al., (2004)



Summary

- The mechanism of coseismic GWL changes should consider the spatial difference of the response
- Most of local observation responses to volumetric strain induced by dislocation, but easily been attenuate .
- Pressure head increase made by seismic shaking are most common phenomenon of distant observation
- The characteristic of alluvial sediment could be the main reason effect the coseismic changes
- The ocean loading could be a possible mechanism of coseismic or post seismic GWL changes