

# Discharge rate of volcanic eruptions as inferred from observed ground deformation and conduit flow models

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G2-1 : Development of evaluation method of discharge rate

# Purpose of this study

To Understand how the volcanic products are effused from the conduit

This is most important to predict the spatio-temporal distributions of ash

1. Examine characteristic behaviors of tilt records that can capture macroscopic pressure changes of magma chambers during eruptions.
2. Magma flow models are examined to interpret the observed tilt records.

Gas bubble growth model (Scanndone & Giacomelli, 2001)

Shock tube model with magma fragmentation (Koyaguchi and Mitani, 2005)

Magma pressure driven model (e.g., Hreinsdóttir et al. , 2014)

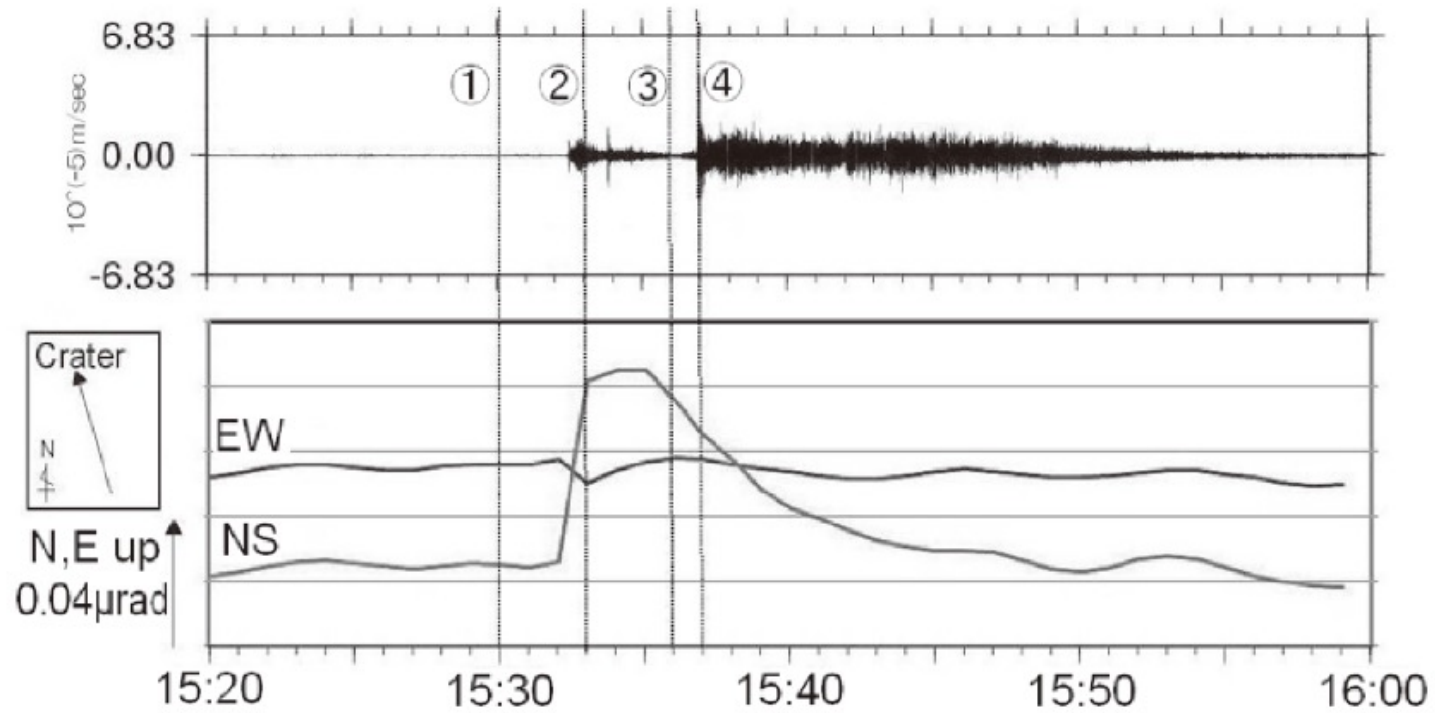
**Pseudo-Gas model (Nishimura et al., 1998)**

Examination from tilt records

Small eruptions

# Shinmoe-dake May 27, 2010 Phreatic explosion

K. KATO AND H. YAMASATO: THE 2011 ERUPTIVE ACTIVITY OF SHINMOEDAKE VOLCANO



# Ontake-san Sept. 28, 2014 Phreatic explosion

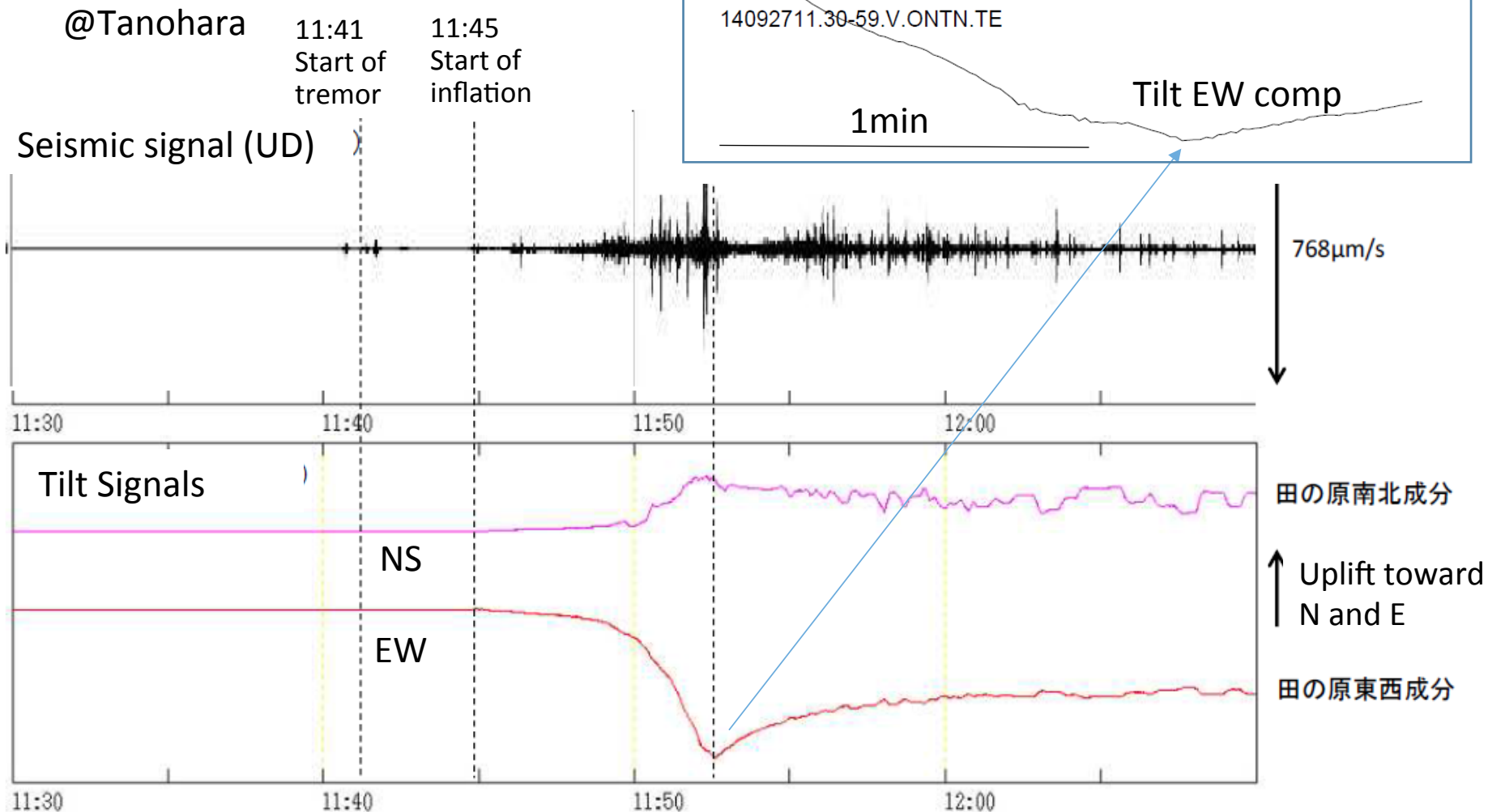
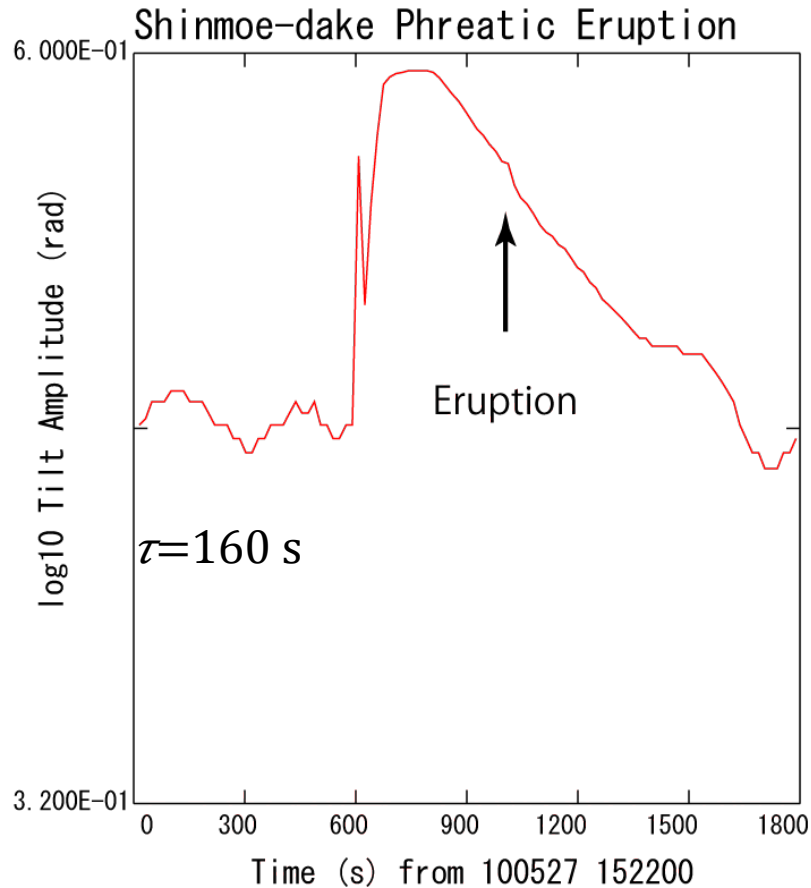


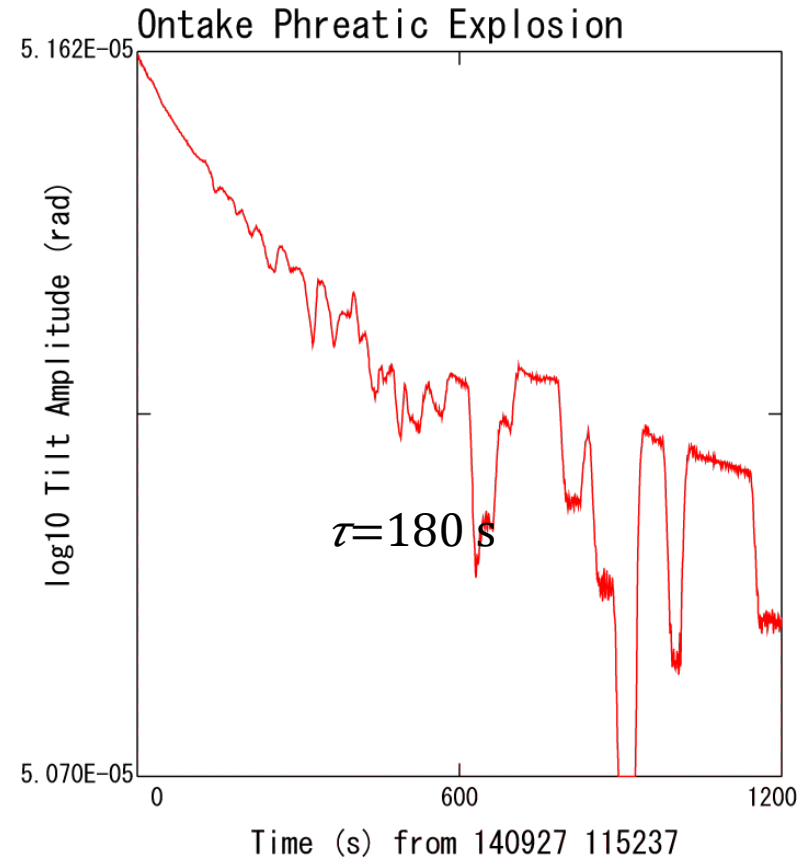
図4 御嶽山 噴火発生時の震動データ及び傾斜データの状況  
(Volcanic Activity Data by JMA)

# Tilt signals from the occurrence of eruption (semi-log plot)

Shinmoe-dake, 2010



Ontake-san, 2014



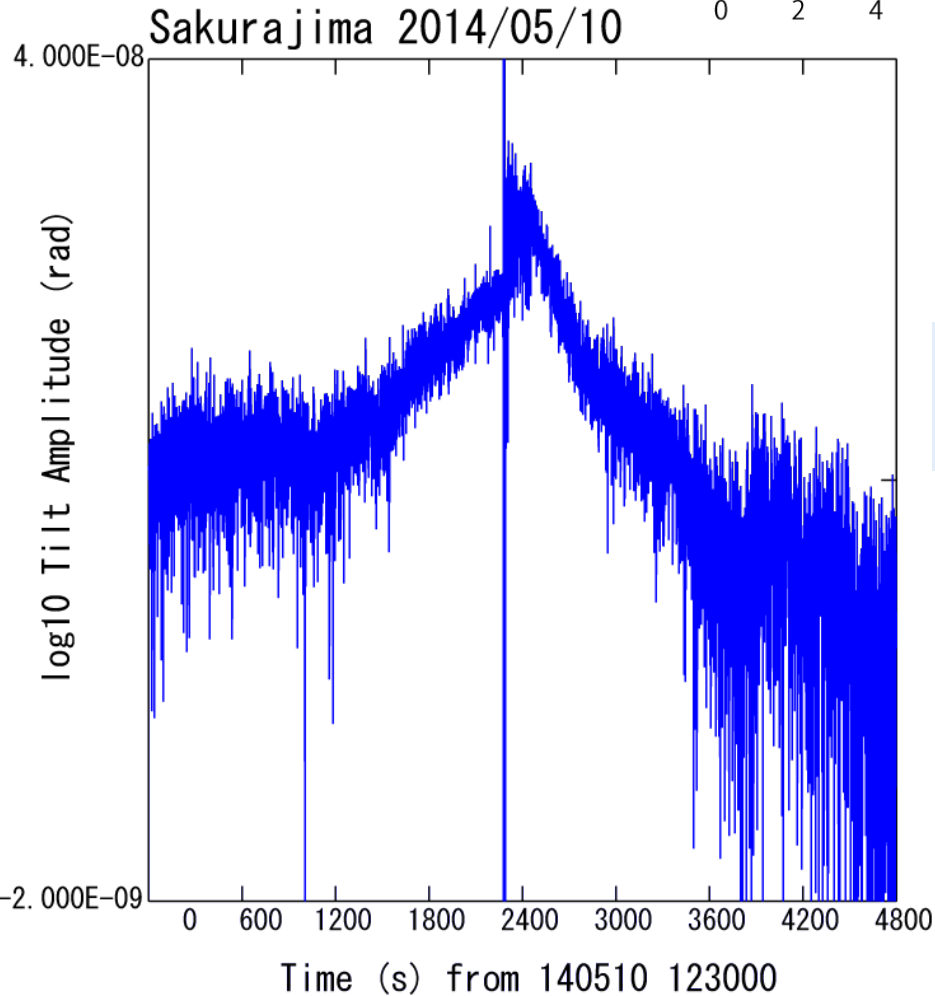
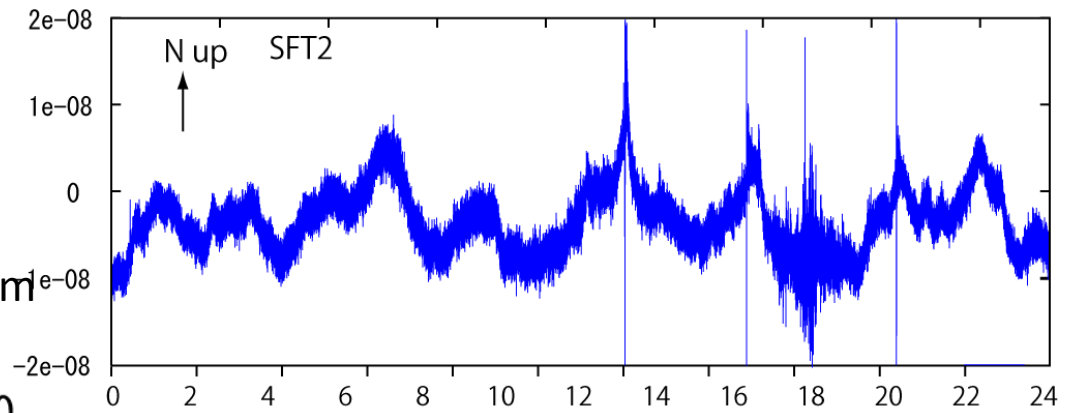
Exponential decay of the  
magma pressure

$$e^{-t/\tau}$$

✂ Tilt meter response  
Low pass (30s) filter

Sakurajima  
13h07m on May 10, 2014

Column height 4500 m



Time (hour), 2014/05/10

JMA SFT2 at  
3 km north of the crater

Exponential decay of pressure  
source

# Pseudo-gas approximation model

$$Q = \rho^* v^* S$$

$$v^* = \sqrt{\gamma_m R_m T} = a_0 \left( \frac{2}{\gamma_m + 1} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\rho^* = \rho_0 \left( \frac{2}{\gamma_m + 1} \right)^{1/\gamma_m - 1}$$

## Pseudo Gas Approximation

Mass ratio of solid and gas parts  
 $m = M_s / M_g$

specific heat :  $\gamma_m = C_{p,g} + m C_{p,s} / C_{v,g}$

gas constant:  $R_m = R_g / (1 + m)$

Choking



Conduit  
 Cross Sectional Area:  $S$

$$\Delta P = \Delta P_0 / (1 + c(\gamma_m) v^* S / V t)^{2\gamma_m / \gamma_m - 1}$$

Magma Chamber  
 Pressure Increase:  $\Delta P$

tial value

Acoustic vel. :

Density :  $= \rho_0$

(Nishimura, 1998)



Examination from tilt records

# Large Eruptions

On Aug. 18, 2013



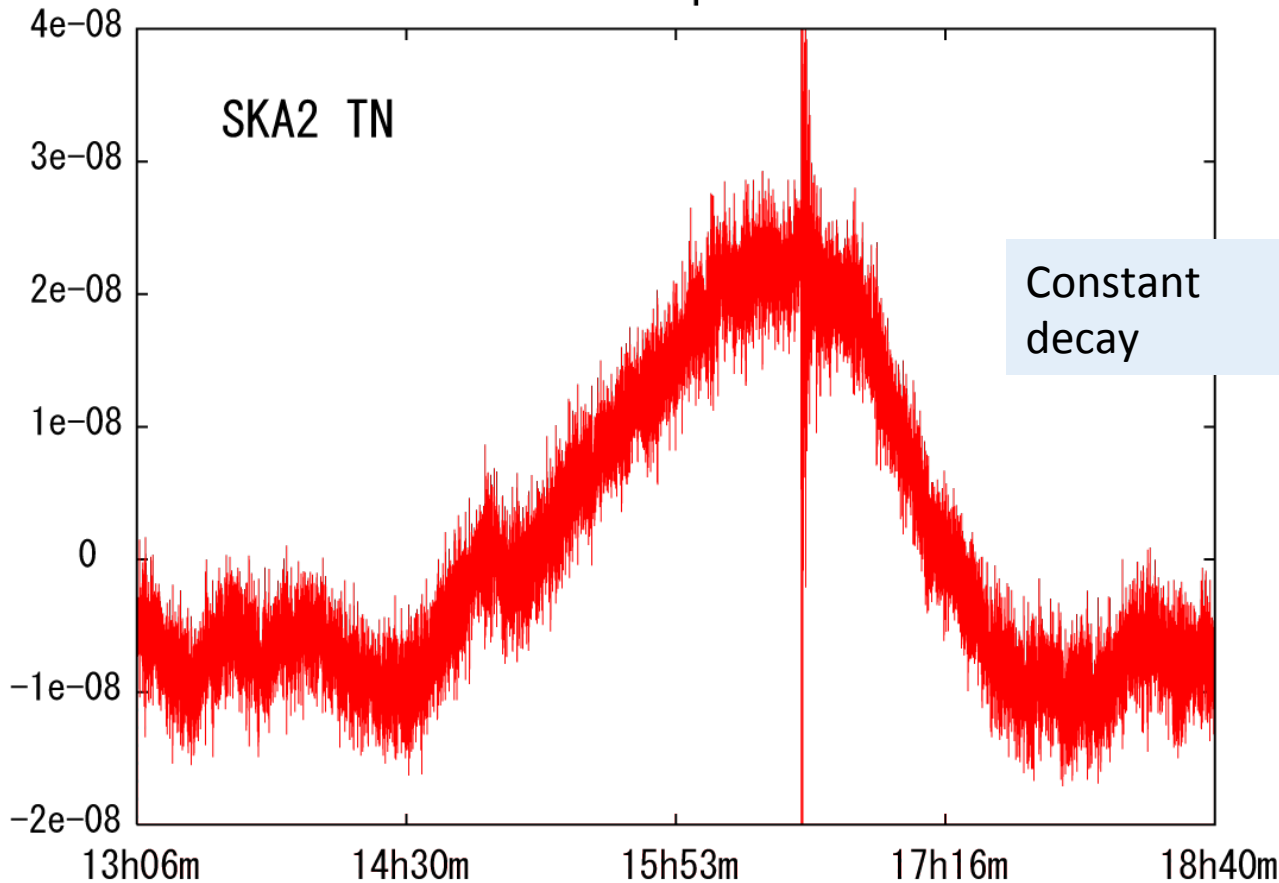
Column height 5000 m

JMA

図1 桜島 18日16時31分に昭和火口で発生した噴火の状況

(鹿児島地方気象台(東郡元町)から撮影)

Explosion 15h31m

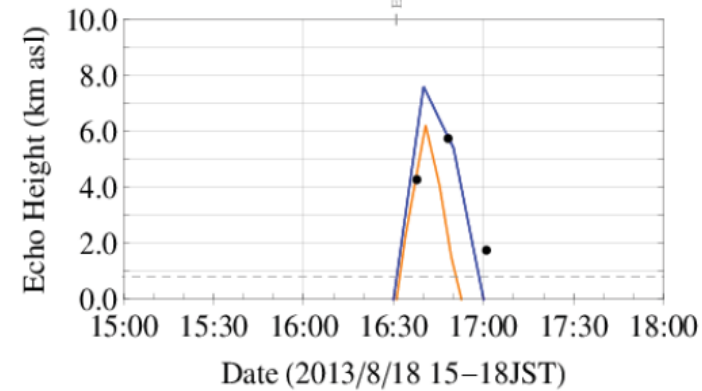


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Constant decay

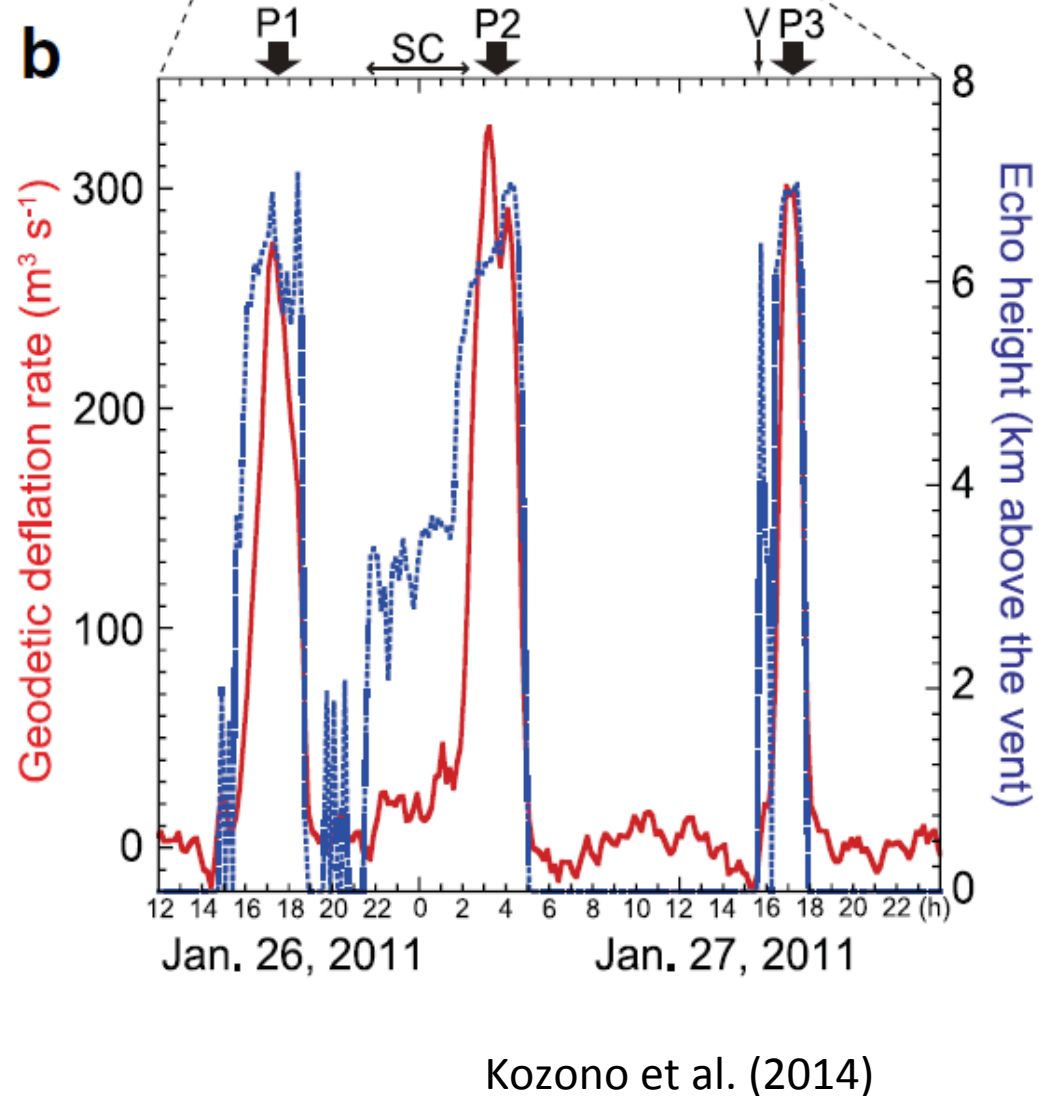
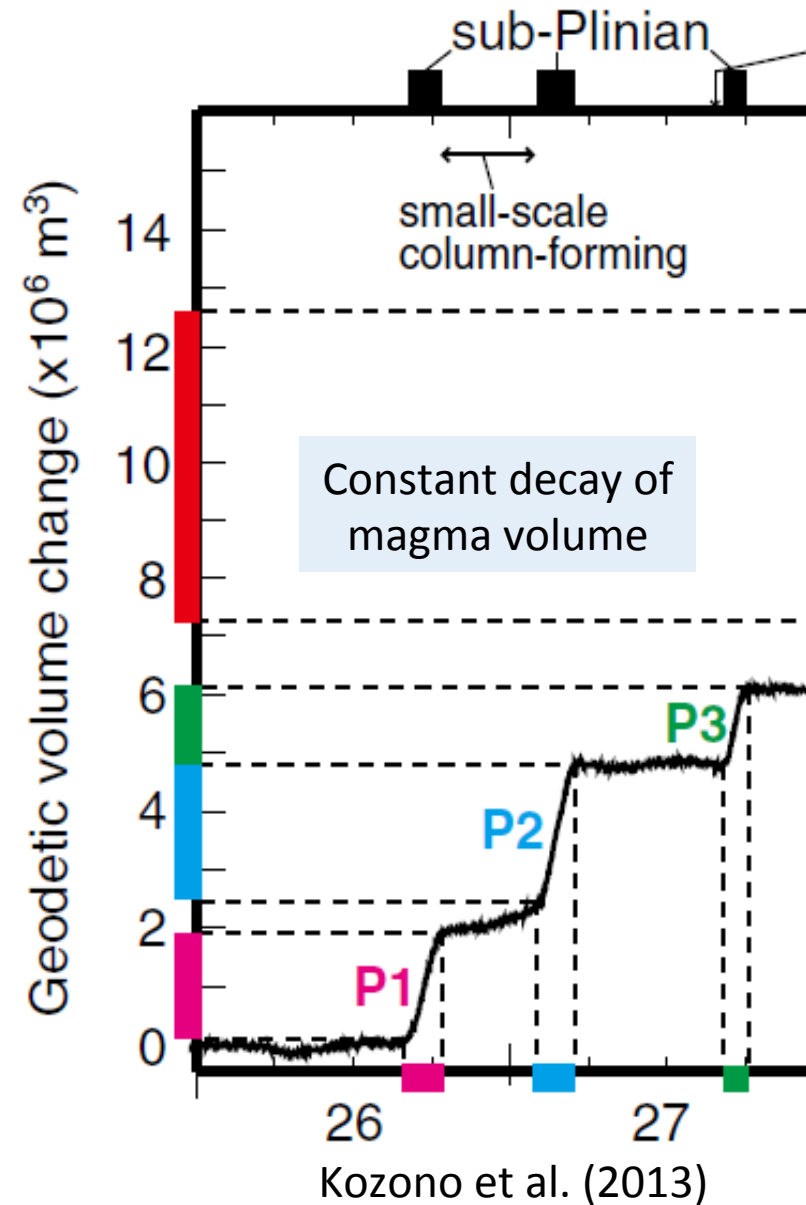
Time 2014/08/18

エコー一頂高度



Data of the Coordinating Committee for Prediction of Volcanic Eruptions #127 (MRI, JMA, Kagoshima Univ)

# Shinmoe-dake Jan. 26, 2011 Sub-Plinian eruptions



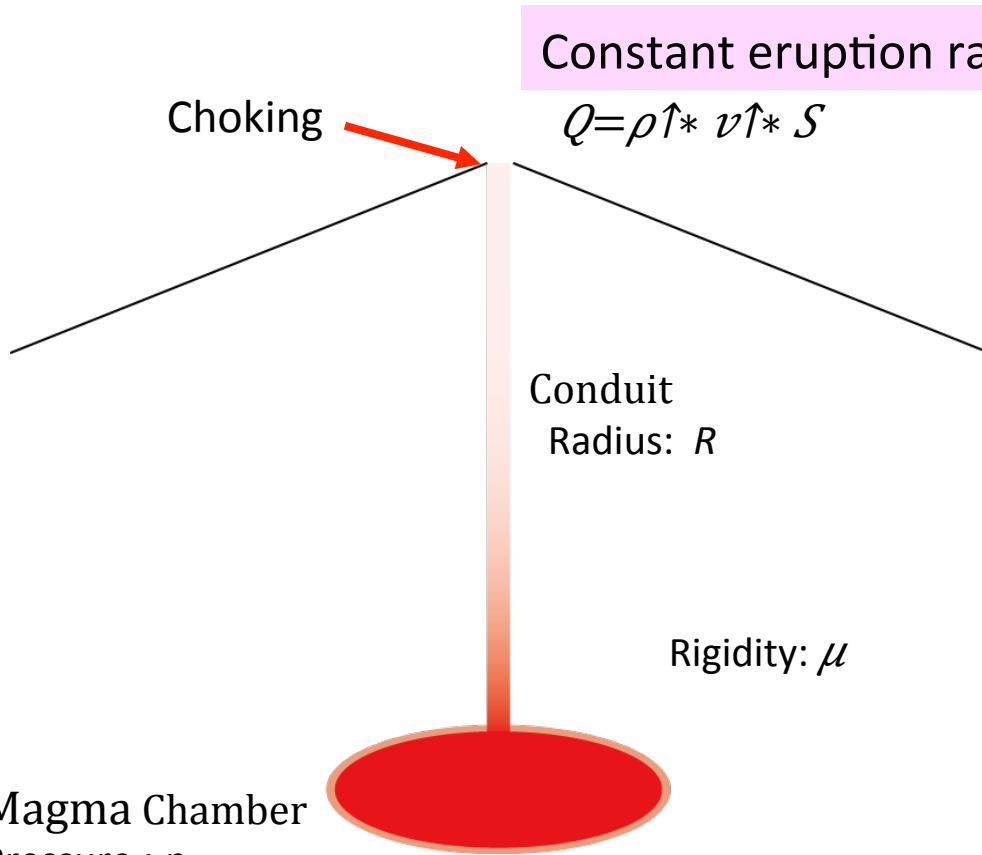
# A magma eruption model

Gas bubble growth in magma chamber  
Choking condition at the conduit exit

Constant eruption rate

$$Q = \rho^* v^* S$$

Choking



Magma Chamber

Pressure :  $p$

Depth :  $z \downarrow c$

Concentration :  $n \downarrow 0 = s \sqrt{p}$

$$Q = dV/dt = \text{const.}$$

$$dp = -k dV/V \downarrow 0$$

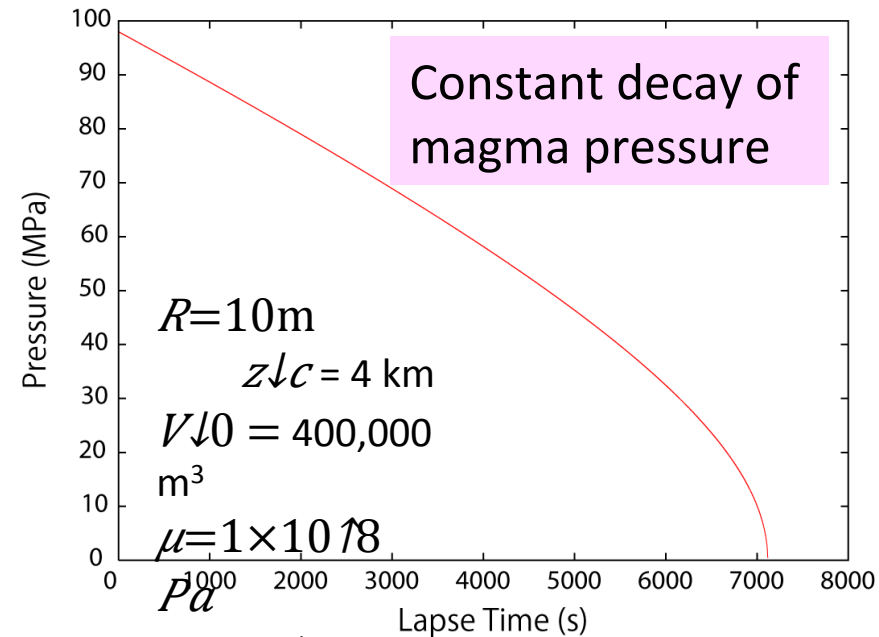
$$1/\rho(p) = n(p)/\rho \downarrow g(p) + 1 - n(p)/\rho \downarrow \downarrow$$

$$n(p) = n \downarrow 0 - s \sqrt{p} / (1 - s \sqrt{p})$$

mass ratio of gas

$s \sqrt{p}$  : concentration

$$s \sim 4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Pa}^{-1/2}$$



# Summary

1. Volcanic pressure sources exponentially decay with time for small eruptions (Ontake 2014, Shinmoe 2010, Sakurajima vulcanian). The exponential decays are matched with the predictions from magma pseudo gas approximation model.
2. Contrary, large magmatic eruptions indicate constant decays of pressure of the sources (Plinean of Shinmoe, 2011, Sakurajima). Magma eruption model with choking condition can explain the constant decays.
3. Exponential decay and constant decay can be also examined from detailed observation and analyses of volcanic ash monitoring.
4. Eruption with exponential decays may enable us to predict the duration time of eruption and roughly estimate the volume of ejecta if we can precisely monitor the ground deformation. But, eruptions with constant discharge rate may suddenly stop, which makes the prediction difficult.

Temporal change of eruption column is a key to understand

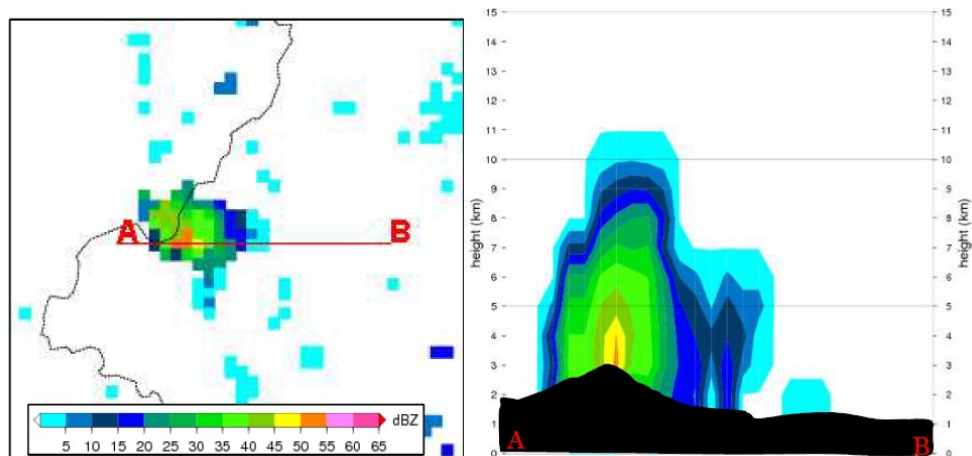


図3：2014年9月27日12時20分における反射強度CAPPI(3km)と断面図

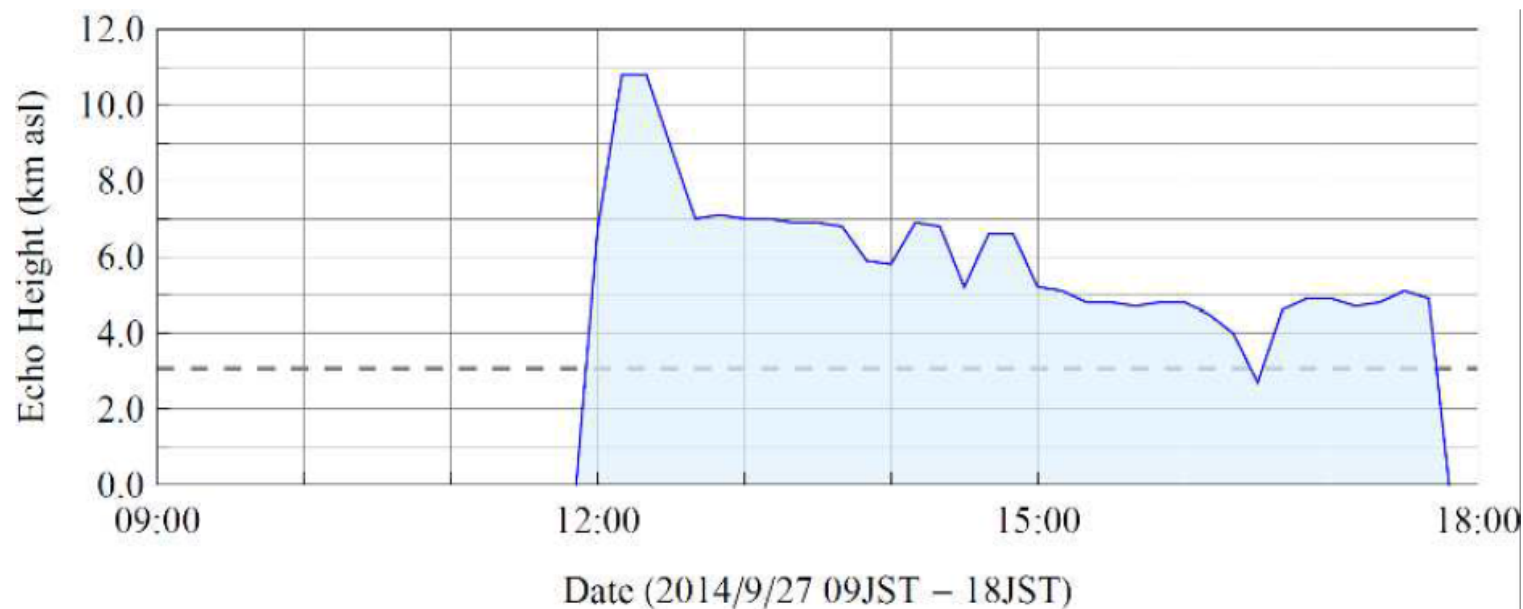


図4：2014年9月27日9時から18時における御嶽山付近のエコー頂(合成)高度(点線は剣ヶ峰の高度3,067m)

# Magma pressure driven model

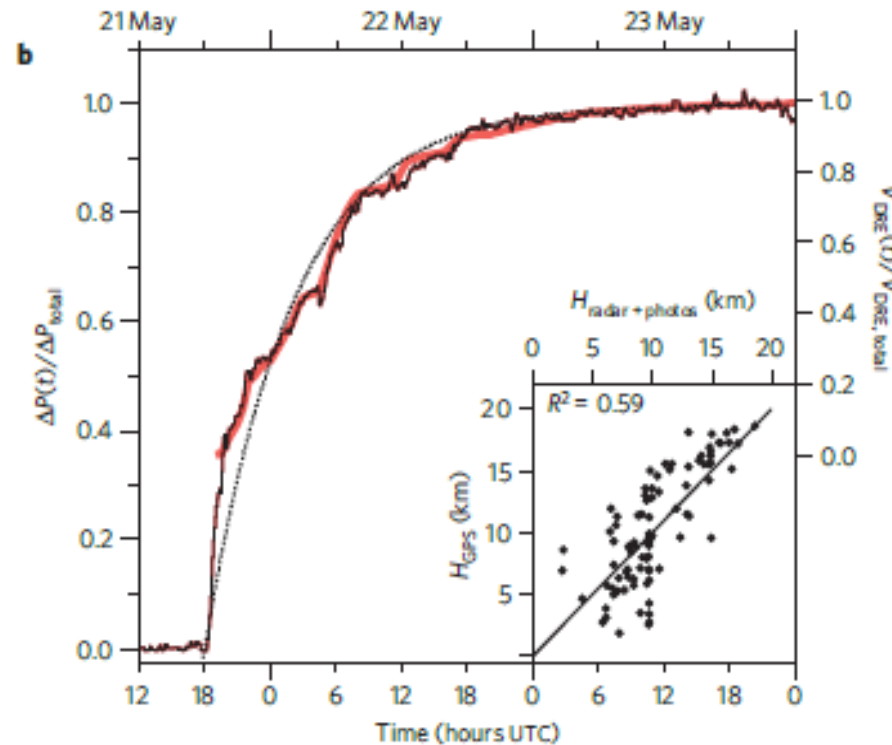
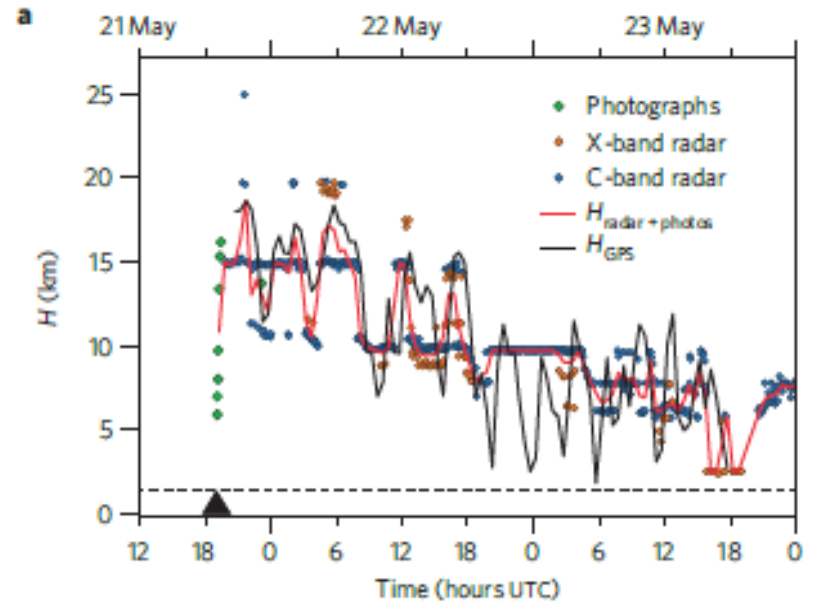
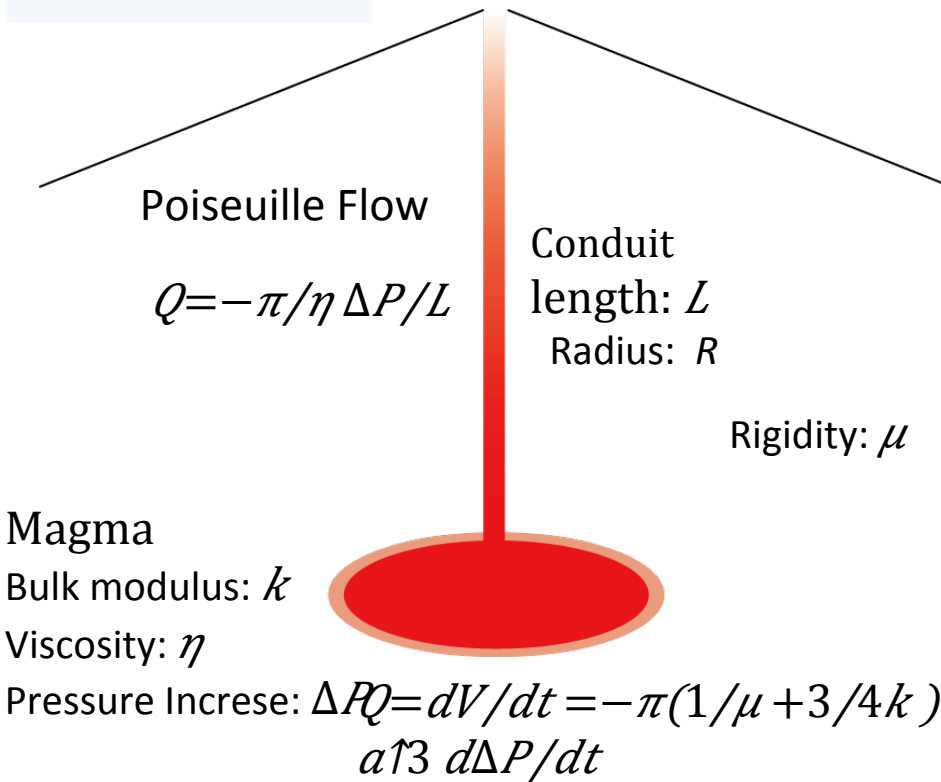
Grímsvötn Volcano, Iceland

Explosive Eruption of basaltic magma in May 2011

$$Q = Q_0 \exp(-t/\tau)$$

$$P = \Delta P \exp(-t/\tau)$$

Hreinsdóttir et al. (2014)



# Data during eruptions

- **Eruption column** (Rader observation)

- **Eruption tremor** (seismic observation)

VEI and maximum amplitude (McNutt, 1994)

Temporal changes (McNutt & Nishimura, 2008)

Eruption volume and tremor amplitude at Sakurajima (Iguchi, 2012)

**Unknown and complex mechanism of eruption tremor !**

- **Volcano deformation**

(Geodetic observation)

Measurement of moment

Vulcanian eruptions at Sakurajima

Exponential decay

Iguchi (2012, Bull. Dis. Prev. Res. Inst. Kyoto Univ.)

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