## Development of the High Accuracy Groundwater Level Prediction Model Using Machine Learning

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## 1-1. Background

## Groundwater is an "invisible" water resource



Daily observations

- We've been researching Otomeyama park, Shinjuku City for 13 years
- We have strongly felt the need to preserve the water environment around us (In Tokyo, 68 springs have disappeared in the past 10 years)
- Fluctuations in groundwater levels cause spring depletion, well depletion, land subsidence, and landslides
- We want to "visualize" groundwater and conserve it

## 1-1. Background

# Groundwater level prediction makes future groundwater "visible"

### **Tank Model**

- Low versatility across regions
- Need more than 10 data
- Need one observation well per 2square kilometers

Place a heavy burden on local governments



In-line 3-stage tank model Method (Japan Meteorological Agency)

## 1-2. Approach

# Use only meteorological data and groundwater level data



### **Making Groundwater Level Prediction Easier**

## **2-1. Model**

## Transformer

A high-performance machine learning model for time series data

Proposed to use in machine translation or natural language processing

$$\operatorname{Attention}(Q, K, V) = \operatorname{softmax}(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_k}})V$$

Ashish Vaswani, Noam Shazeer, Niki Parmar, Jakob Uszkoreit, Llion Jones, Aidan N. Gomez, Lukasz Kaiser, Illia Polosukhin "Attention is All You Need" 2017



The Transformer-model architecture

## **2-2. Architecture**

## The model consists of three modules

- **1. Inception Module**
- 2. Transformer Module
- 3. Linear Module



## **2-2. Architecture**

## **Prediction Method**

Passing the previous segment's output to the next segment's input

This model can predict without the latest ground water level data by predicting recurrently



## **2-3. Implementation**

# This model was implemented with Python, a programming language.

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#### Epoch: 4

#### Epoch: 5

#### Epoch: 6 Training Model 0% [###################################] 100% | ETA: 00:00:00 Total time elapsed: 00:00:04 Evaluating Model

#### Tedorigawa Alluvial Fan Area Ishikawa Prefecture

Verification of prediction accuracy versatility among aquifers

Himi City and Takaoka City Toyama Prefecture

Versatility across regions

Owari Area Aichi Prefecture

Versatility across regions

## **3-1. Data Used**

### Tank Model

- Groundwater level data
- Coefficient of transmissibility
- Coefficient of storage
- Amount of rainfall
- Amount of evapotranspiration
- Groundwater increment
- Penetration rate
- Industrial water
- Agricultural water
- Water for daily use
- Water for snow melt
- Water for fighting fires
- Water for environment

#### Land use data

### This Research

## Provided directly by the local government

## Using open data from the Japan Meteorological Agency

## 3-2. Dataset Tedorigawa Alluvial Fan Area

Training data 1974/04/01~2015/03/31(about 40 years)

Validation data 2015/04/01~2017/03/31



Hukumasu Taiheiji Chiyononishi Yasukichi Iseki Kitaichi 6,000 m

Groundwater level fluctuation graph

## 3-2. Dataset Himi city and Takaoka city

Training data  $2007/04/01 \sim 2018/03/31$  (about 10 years)

Validation data 2018/04/01~2020/03/31



Groundwater level fluctuation graph



## **3-2. Dataset** Owari Area, Aichi Prefecture

Training data 1974/04/01~2015/03/31(about 40 years)

Validation data 2015/04/01~2017/03/31



Groundwater level fluctuation graph



## **4-1. Results 1** Tedorigawa Alluvial Fan Area



Model	Yasukichi	Kitaichi
Chono et al.(2017)	0.0063	0.0032
This research	0.0035	0.0019

MSE score for each location

$$MSE(y, \hat{y}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

y: measured values,  $\hat{y}$ : output values N: the number of data

The lower the MSE score, the higher the accuracy

⇒ This model showed a high accuracy

## 4-1. Results 1 Toyama and Aichi prefecture

### Predict to a certain extent of accuracy





## **4-1. Results 1**

## **Types of versatility**

- Between Wells
- Between Aquifers
- Between Regions

High versatility was confirmed by using the same model

## 4-2. Results 2 Periods of unusual variation











# Prediction with high accuracy

## 4-2. Results 2 Periods of unusual variation



Snow Removal Equipment Using Groundwater (Hukui Shinbun Online)

## 4-2. Results 2 Tedorigawa Alluvial Fan Area

## **Periods of unusual variation**

- Lowering of the groundwater level due to landslides
- Lowering of groundwater level due to operation of snow removal equipment



Some prediction is possible

## **5. Conclusion**

Only used meteorological data and groundwater level data

- 2 Showed a high accuracy
- 3 Versatility across wells, aquifers and regions
- 4 Making Groundwater Level Prediction Easier

It will lead to the protection of the water environment around all people

## 6. Prospect

## Use of groundwater data ledgers

- Over 60,000 boring data available
- Model with a larger number of points

Prediction will be possible even at points where there are no observation wells



Points with drilling data (Toyama Prefecture)

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