### Japanese inter-regional migration patterns affected by 2011 Tohoku Disaster, analyzed with 2015 Japan Population Census

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# Swift restoration gathers peoples attention, adding to the direct impact of the disaster



We conduct a research **to capture the restoration trend** through population change based on the **Annual migration statistics** (Quantitative Analysis)

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#### Migration flows to be enlarged after a disaster! Hyogo Prefecture with Kobe Earthquake in 1995



#### Statistical Analysis of migration flows



#### Categorization of Disaster Size ( $D_{it}$ )

- Disaster size is captured by annual relative affected inhabitants. (Number of affected inhabitants / prefecture inhabitants)
- Variables are categorized in four different size.

|                | Annual R.A.I |          | Number of cases | Cumulative % |
|----------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|
| No Disaster    | (            | )        | 296             | 14.35%       |
| Small Size D.  | 0 <          | < 0.0001 | 857             | 55.89%       |
| Medium Size D. | 0_0001<br>≦  | < 0.001  | 587             | 84.34%       |
| Large Size D.  | 0.001≦       | <0.01    | 276             | 97.77%       |
| Huge Size D.   | 0.01≦        |          | 47              | 100.00%      |

R.A.I is prepared annually for each prefecture (1970-2013) excluding Okinawa before 1974.We estimate the effect up to 3 years before.We did not consider Tohoku 3 Prefectures, because of lack of

reliable number of affected people in Fire Agency Statistics.

## Estimated Enlargement effects by disaster of different size



Emigration will shrink after one year No negative effect on Immigration

• No social decrease of Population

Emigration increase and Immigration decrease Social decrease of population

### Migration in Fukushima seems different after the Tohoku Earthquake, Tsunami and Nuclear Accident in 2011



Let us investigate migration pattern more qualitatively!

## TWO NATIONAL STATISTICS

|                                 | Migration Report by<br>Residence Registration   | Japan Population Census  |
|---------------------------------|---|--|
| Interval                        | Annual  | 5 years (Questions on migration: once in 10 years)                                       |
| Published<br>Contents           | Quantitative Info:<br>Numbers of total emigrants<br>and Immigrants of each<br>Prefecture or municipality.                                     | Including Qualitative Info.:<br>Age Structure<br>Origin and Destination<br>Prefectures   |
| Source                          | Aggregate the residence<br>registration from municipal<br>governments   | Exhaustive Survey to the people actually reside. (Direct distribution and collection)    |
| Problem in<br>Fukushima<br>case | Many emigrants do not move<br>registration, in order to keep<br>rights to get support for the<br>people affected by the<br>Nuclear Accidents. | We cannot capture people's<br>migrations who already return<br>to Fukushima by Oct.2015. |

#### NET-MIGRATION ANALYSIS For Age-classes



Population Census Japan<sup>2</sup>

#### Emigration from each Prefecture in the four intervals



#### Immigration to each Prefecture in the four intervals



There are no particular characteristics in Tohoku Prefectures

## Net Immigration to each Prefecture in the four intervals



Fukushima is the only prefecture where net loss of migration grew in between 2010-2015.

Qualitative Analysis focusing on gender and age. NMF: Non-negative Matrix Factorization

- Non negative factorization Method can show several sex-age migration patterns and give weightings for each region.
- Each factor may correspond to objective of migration, but we do now know the number of factors a priori.



Next, I show the case of 7 factors division.

#### Factors: sex and age structure



#### Scores: What's happen in each prefecture?



#### Weightings: What's happen in each prefecture?



#### Weightings (relative) in Northeastern 10 prefectures



Dependent Family 2 moved out from Fukushima

Middle Worker 1, New Job Worker 6 moved in to Fukushima

#### Strongly observed Factors in Fukushima



#### Fleshly gained results

- We adopt the NMF analysis on a dataset of age-sex matrix prefecture versus immigrants, emigrants and stay in three periods.
- 1995-2000 (including Kobe earthquake?)
- 2005-2010
- 2010-2015 (including effect of 2011)

#### 2010-15 Immigration Factor Scores

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Young Family Immigrants are observed anywhere and any time,. Only Exceptional Case is Fukushima 2010-2015.







New Job Workers, Mobility was relatively high in 1995-2000.

Unique patterns were observed in Fukushima.

- Young Mothers and children decided to emigrate from Fukushima (Dependent Family 2)
  - Fear of influence of radioactivity.
- Middle aged (mostly male) workers (Middle Worker1) and young single workers finding the job (New Job Workers6) moved in Fukushima
  - In order to have works such as disaster recovery or the radioactive decontamination.
- Middle Family and Dependent Family did not enter Fukushima
- Many households were dismantled.

We investigated the effect of disaster on the inter-regional migration in the following 3 years, considering the disaster size.

Small, Meduim, Large Disaster (R.I.A.<0.01:98% cases) Emigration will shrink after one year

- No negative effect on Immigration
- No social decrease of Population
- External Assistance is not always necessary

Huge Disaster (R.I.A.>0.01:2% of the total cases)

Emigration increase and Immigration decrease

- Social decrease of population
- - External Assistance is strongly necessary

## Future Research Issue

- Consider Disaster type categorization
- Consider the external monetary assistance or designation of "Serious Disaster to be supported"
- Closer investigations, based on the smaller local area data such as municipalities, or different age groups
- Analysis of the effect on economic performance indexes