

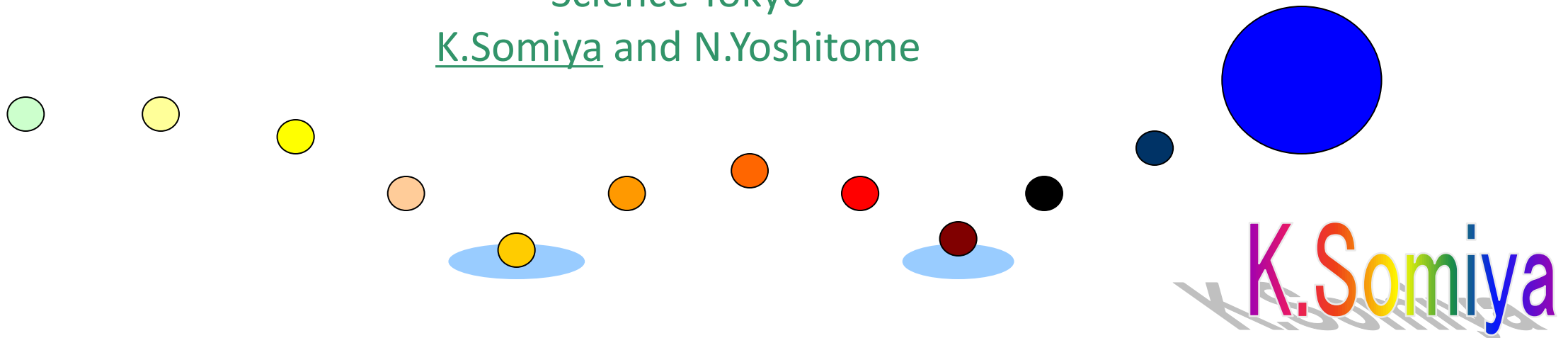
# Newtonian noise from underground water in KAGRA

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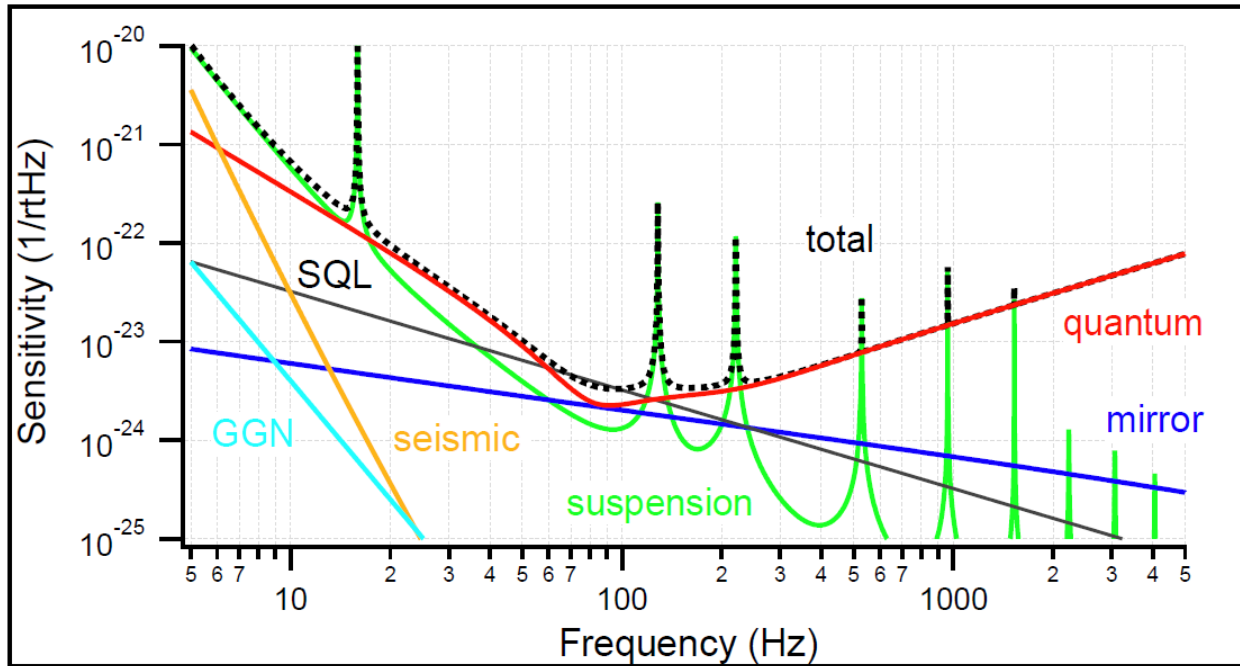
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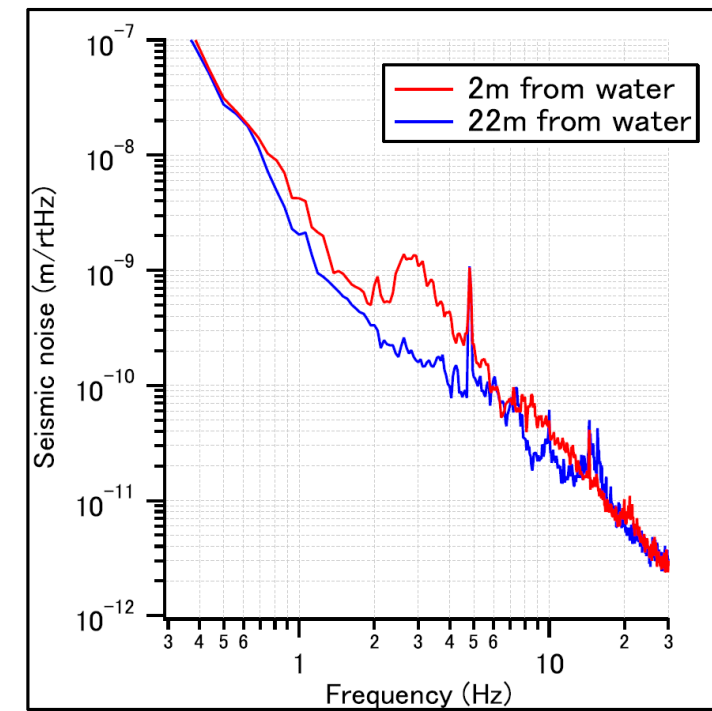
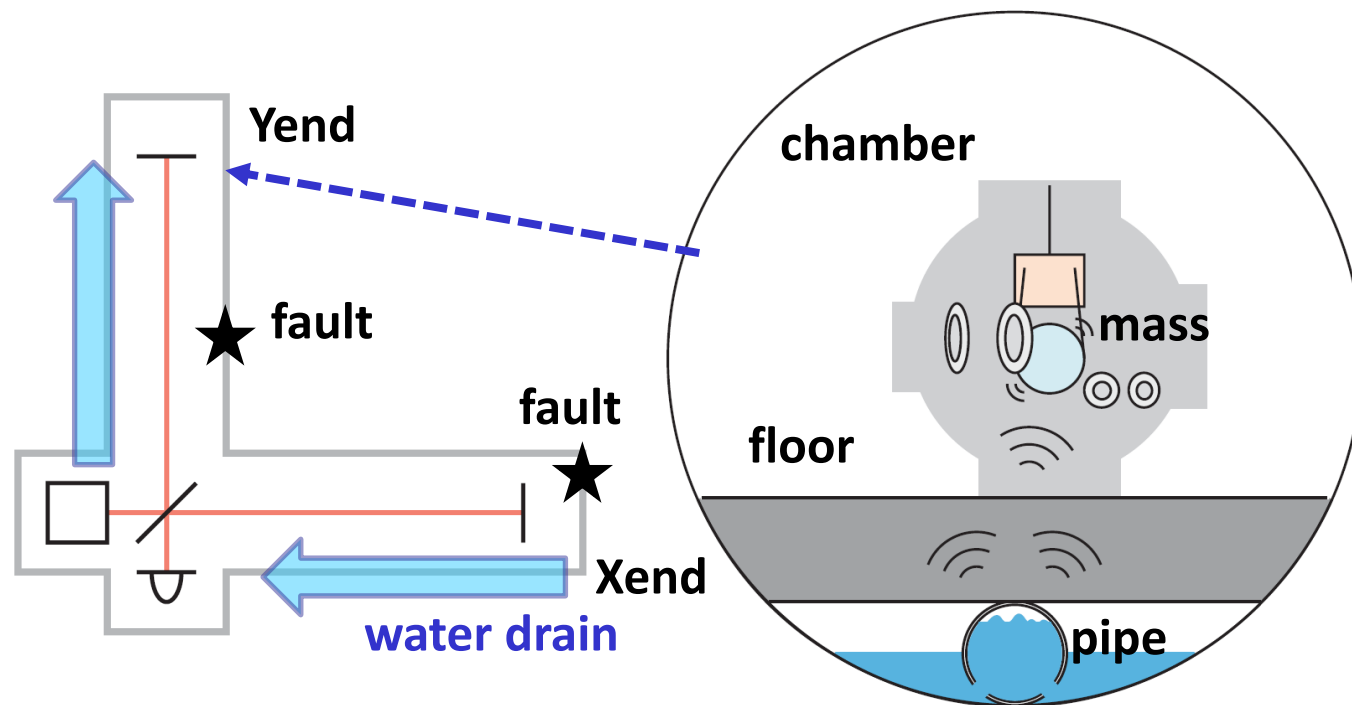
# Gravity gradient noise in KAGRA



- According to the model, GGN is small in KAGRA for its low seismic motion and its distance from the ground surface
- However, there is a lot of water flowing behind the rock, which may or may not cause excess fluctuation of the gravity gradient

Can we estimate GGN from the spring water?

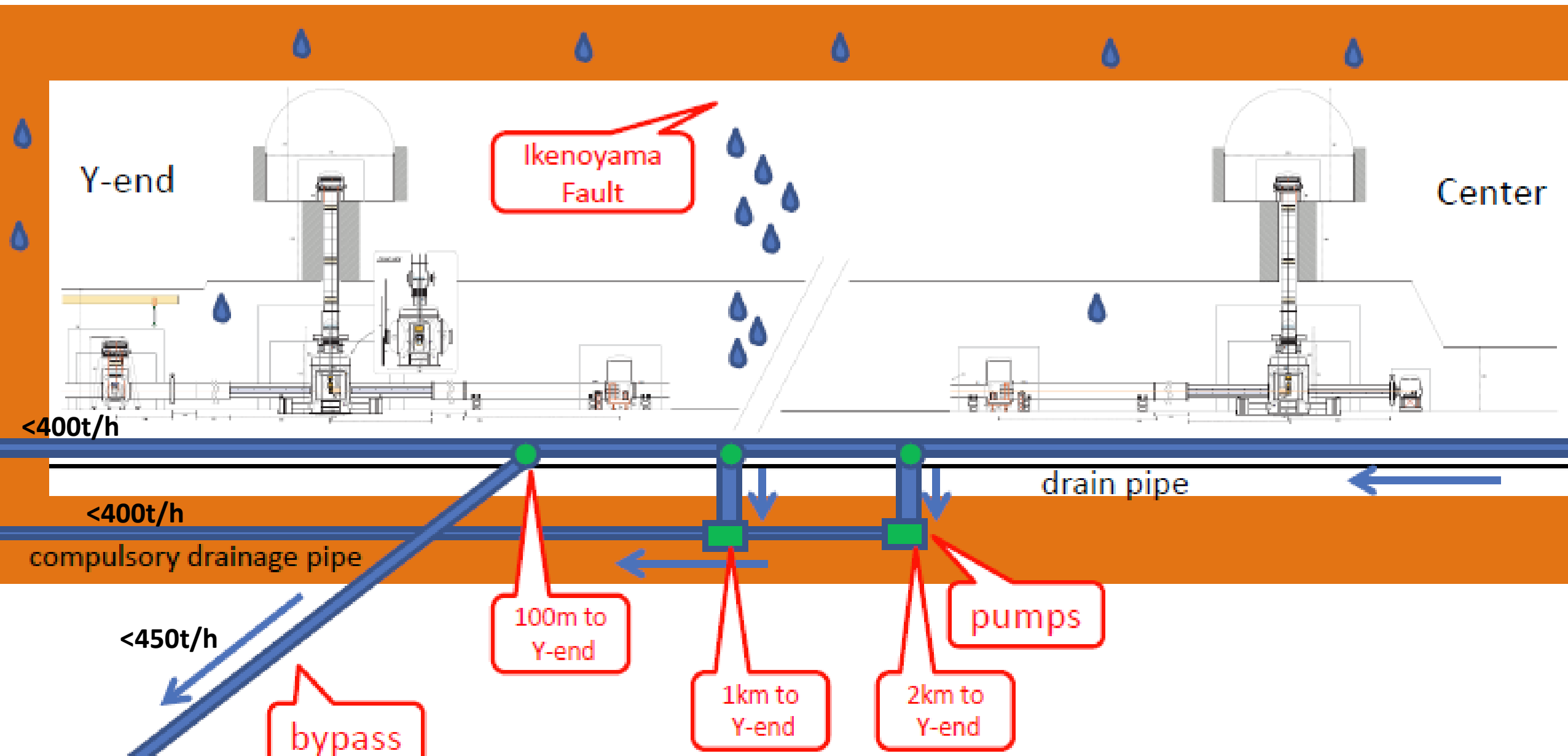
# Gravity gradient noise from water



- The tunnel is made tilted by 1/300 to drain water (X->Center->Y)
- Main drainage pipe is located under the floor
- The largest water flow at the Yend

We built a bypass system and compulsory drainage pipes to decrease the amount of water underneath the Yend.

# Water drainage system in KAGRA





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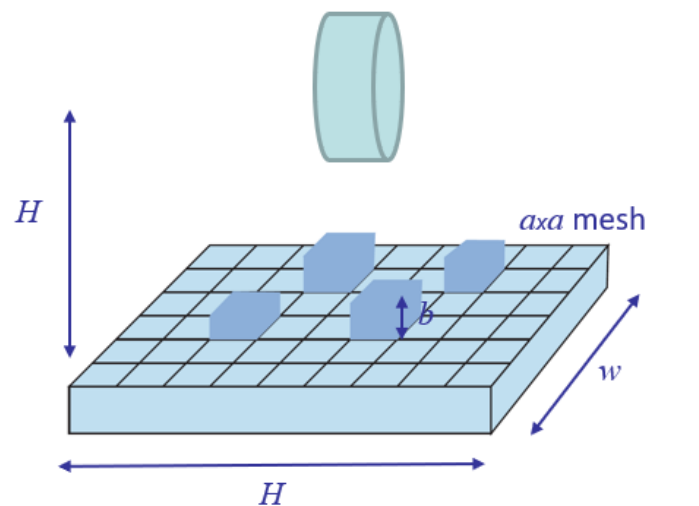


left: 2km to Y-end  
middle: after the bypass  
right top: water flow meter  
at the Y-end  
right bottom: Y-end station  
(photos taken in 2015)



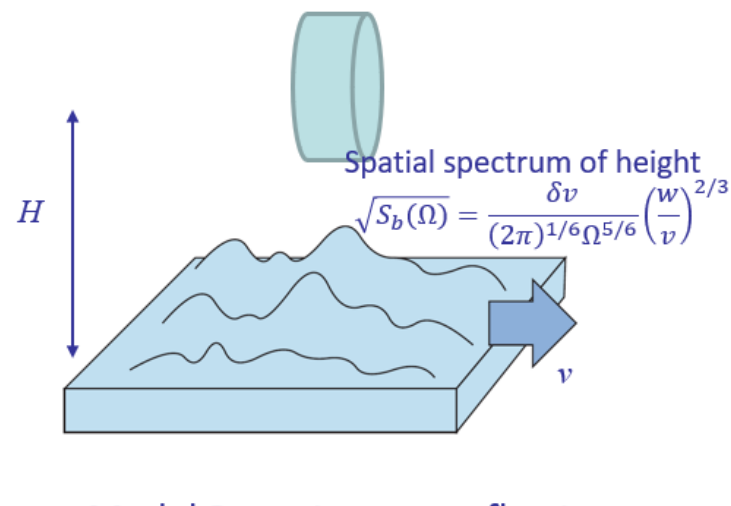
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Model 1: uncorrelated height fluctuation

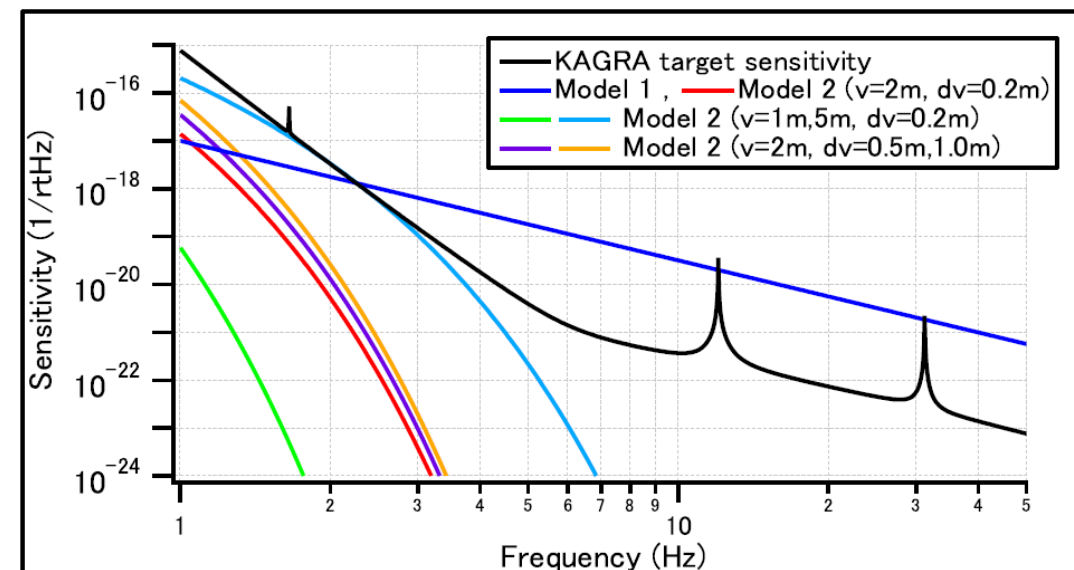
$$\sqrt{S_x(f)} = \frac{G\rho ab\sqrt{2\pi w}}{\Omega^{2.5}H^{1.5}}$$



Model 2: static pattern flowing at a constant velocity

$$\sqrt{S_x(f)} = \frac{4G\rho w}{\Omega v} \sqrt{S_b(\Omega)} K_0\left(\frac{H\Omega}{v}\right)$$

Modified Bessel function

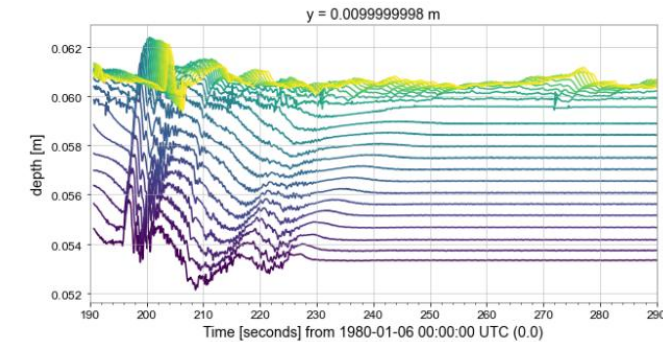
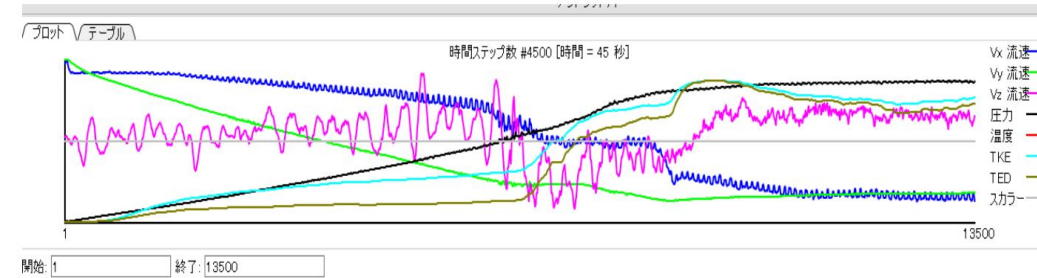


Model 1 is probably highly overestimate the noise level. An actual noise level would be somewhere in-between.

→ We need a numerical simulation of the water flow.

# Water flow simulation history

- 2018, Inoue's study using Autodesk CFD
- 2019, Yuting's study using Flow3D
- 2020-22, Suzuki's study using Flow3D
  - implementation of KAGRA-like pipe setup
  - trustiness was questioned at thesis defense
- 2024, Yoshitome's study using Flow3D
  - several tests with different parameters





# Suzuki's work



Super-critical flow

$$v_{wave} < v_{flow}$$

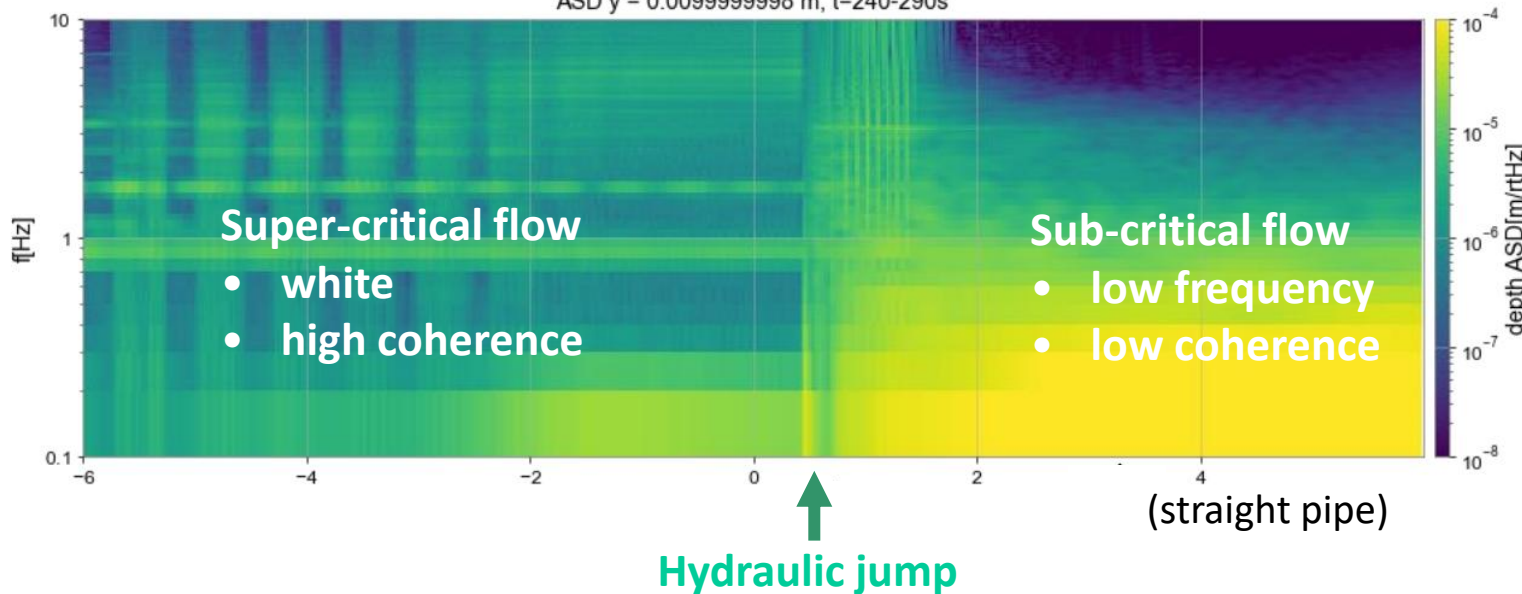
Hydraulic jump

$$v_{wave} = v_{flow}$$

Sub-critical flow

$$v_{wave} > v_{flow}$$

ASD y = 0.0099999998 m, t=240-290s



We thought we successfully reproduced well-known phenomena, but it turned out that a *free-slip condition* was chosen.

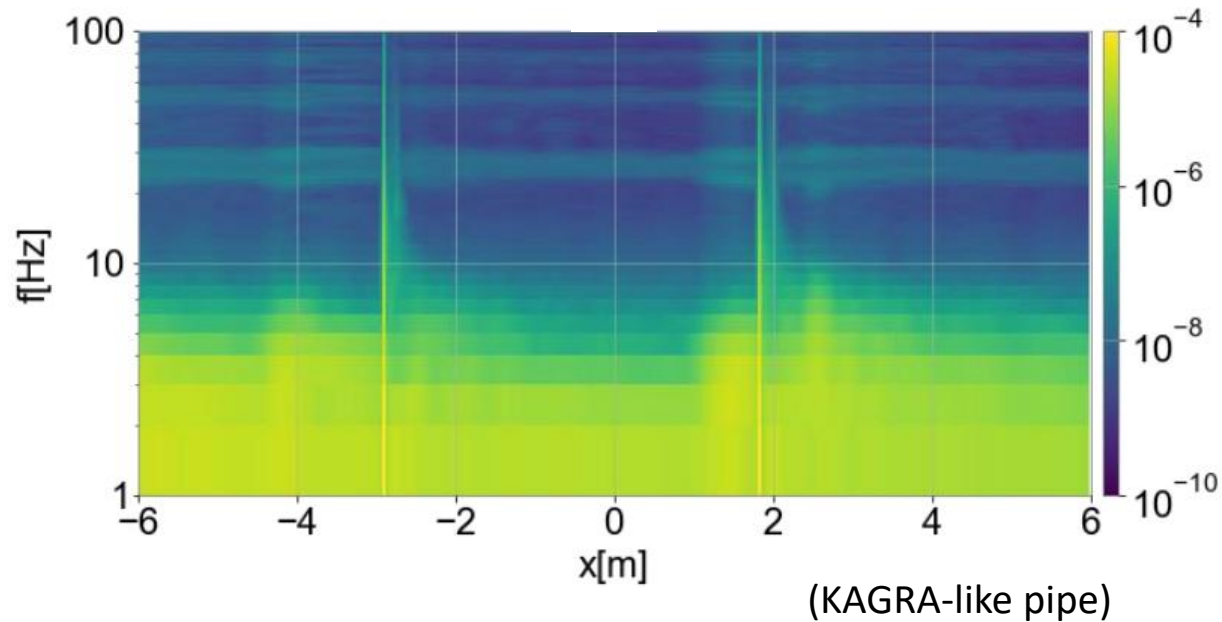


# Suzuki's work

	Knudsen number	type of flow	relative speed at boundary
free-slip condition	$Kn > 1$	free-molecular	non zero
no-slip condition	$Kn < 1$	continuum	zero

$$Kn = \frac{\lambda}{L} = \frac{k_B T}{\sqrt{2} \pi \sigma^2 P L}$$

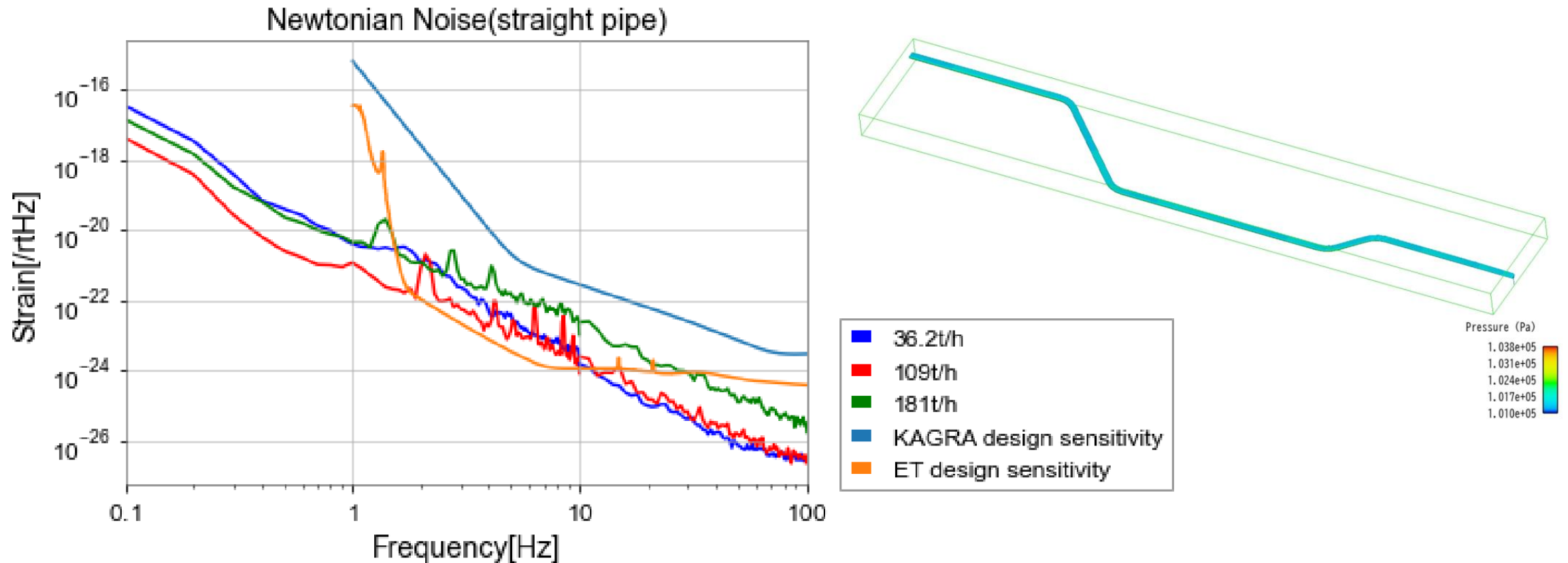
$\lambda$ : mean free path,  $L$ : pipe diameter  
 $\sigma$ : molecular diameter,  $P$ : pressure



The default setup was with the free-slip condition, but a proper choice turned out to be no-slip.

With a fixed setup, the flow in KAGRA is mostly subcritical, but we found hydraulic-jump-like glitches.

# Suzuki's work



Suzuki-kun ran simulations with the KAGRA-like bend pipes and calculated Newtonian noise. The NN noise spectra were below the target sensitivity.

# Yoshitome's work

Remaining concerns of Suzuki's work were:

- (i) It is a bit hard to convince people that the simulation is correct.
- (ii) Noise level increases with the mesh size and did not converge.
- (iii) Only a limited number of simulations were performed.

I then asked Yoshitome-kun to

- (i) double-check if the no-slip condition is correct
- (ii) reproduce sub-/super-critical flows and a hydraulic jump to increase the convincing level
- (iii) try to increase the mesh size.

# Yoshitome's work

Calculation of Knudsen number:

$$Kn = \frac{k_B T}{\sqrt{2} \pi \sigma^2 P L} = [0.158 \sim 1.58] \times 10^{-5} \ll 1$$

→ No-slip condition is good.

$L$  : KAGRA pipe diameter → 0.4m

$T$  : temperature → 293K

$k_B$  : Boltzmann constant →  $1.38 \times 10^{-28}$  J/K

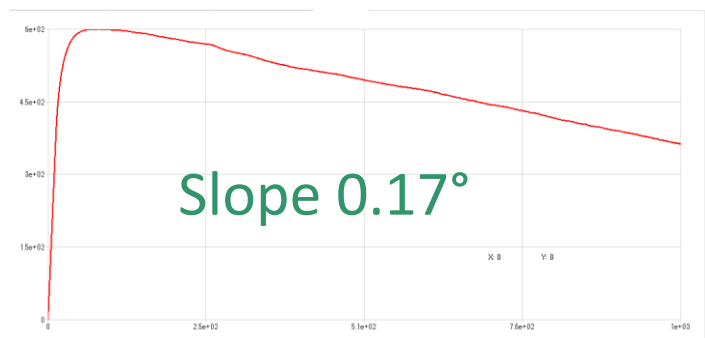
$P$  : pressure → 0.01~0.1Pa

$\sigma$  : Water molecule diameter →  $3.8 \times 10^{-10}$  m



# Yoshitome's work

(straight pipe)



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1000s



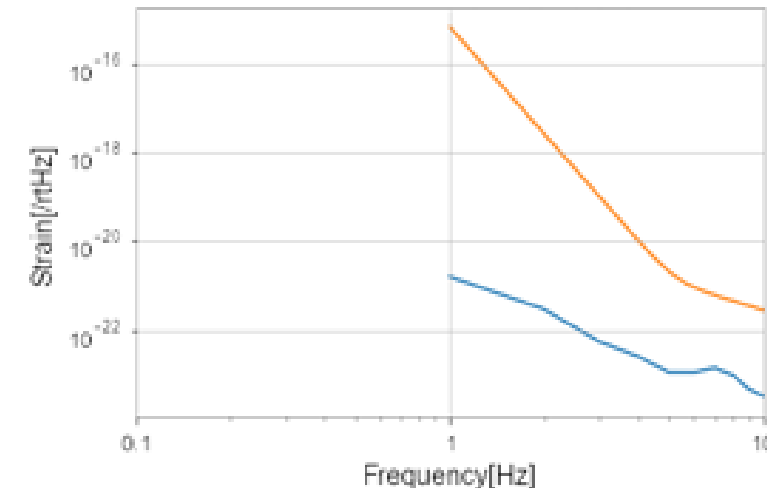
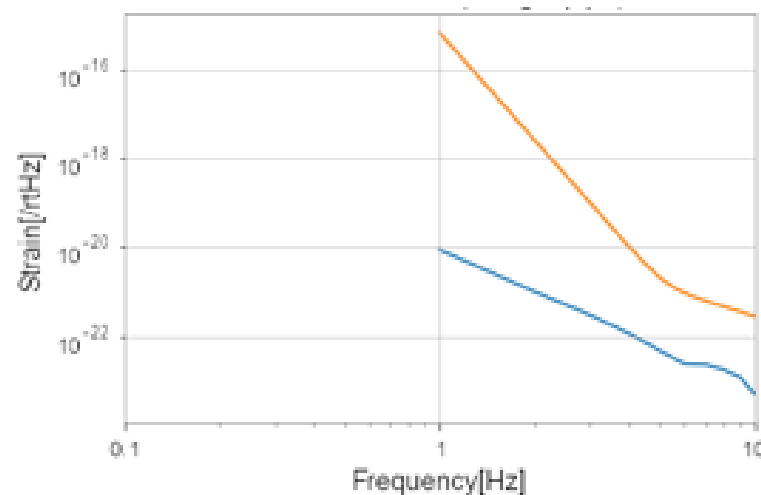
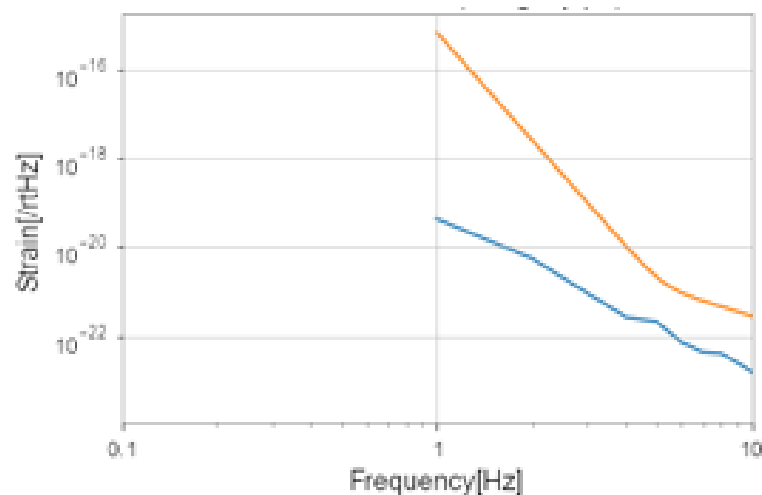
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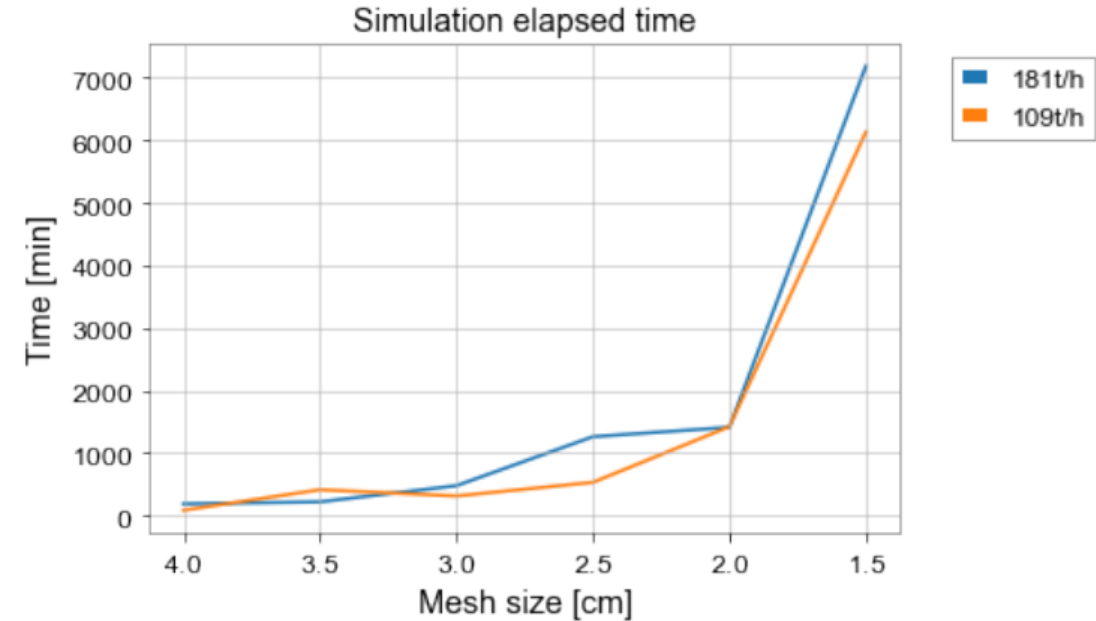
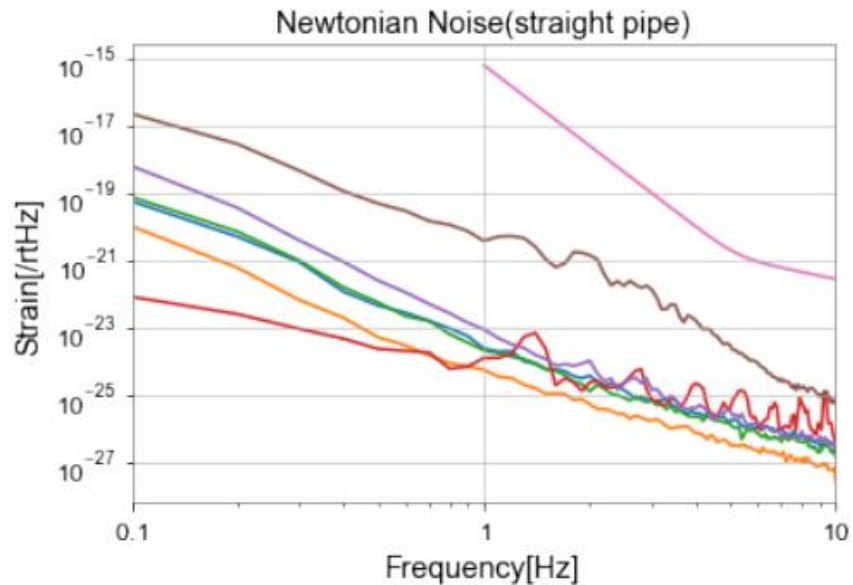
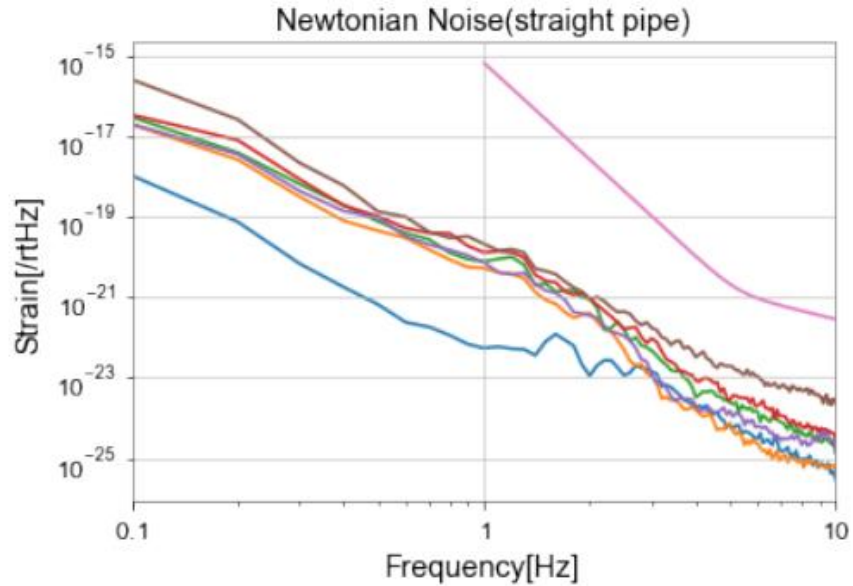
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Simulation of water flow in the straight pipe with different slope did not show hydraulic jump, and NN level was lower than sensitivity.

# Mesh size



Suzuki found the noise level increase with the mesh size. We haven't confirmed if it converges as the simulation times jumped up at  $\Delta = 1.5\text{cm}$ .

# Summary

- We did water flow simulation with (i) straight pipe to check the reasonability, and (ii) KAGRA-like pipe to calculate NN.
- Sub/Super-critical flow and hydraulic jump were observed but only under the free-slip condition (which is not right!).
- With the KAGRA-like pipe, we observed another kind of jump regardless of the total amount of water.
- The simulation has not converged yet with increasing mesh size.