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Development of a Durable Bridge Scour Monitoring System based on Time Domain Reflectometry

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- Development of TDR scour sensing waveguide
- Data reduction: calibration and measurement
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Introduction

2000 KaoPing bridge



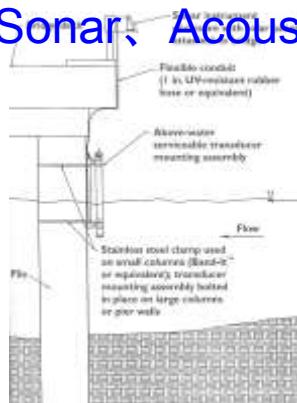
2008 HoFung bridge



2012 ChungZen bridge

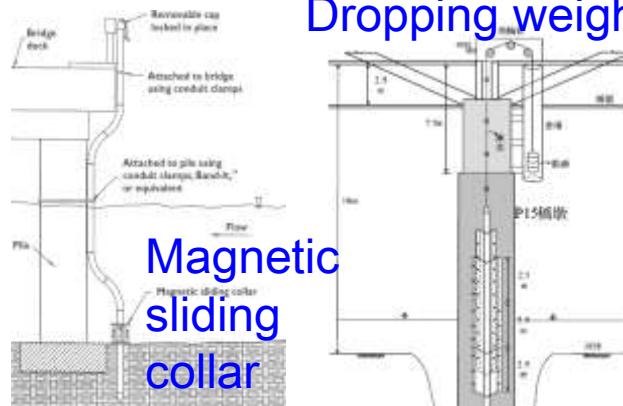
Introduction

Sonar, Acoustic



Lagasse et al. 1997

Dropping weight



Magnetic sliding collar

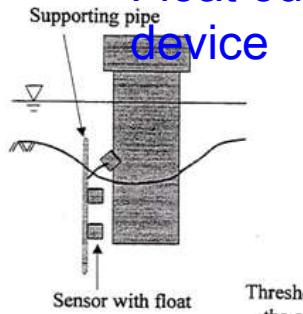
Lagasse et al. 1997

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Feasibility for Taiwan

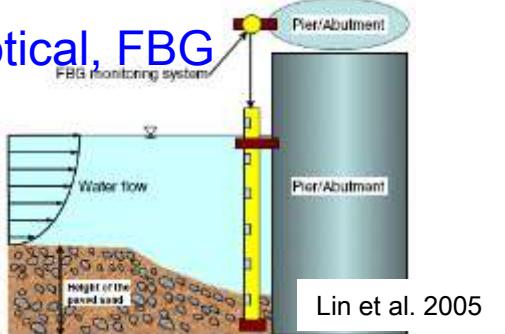
1. Durability
2. Economy

Float out device



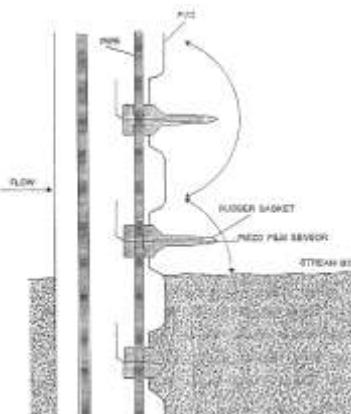
Suzuki and Shimaera 2000

Optical, FBG



Lin et al. 2005

Piezoelectric film

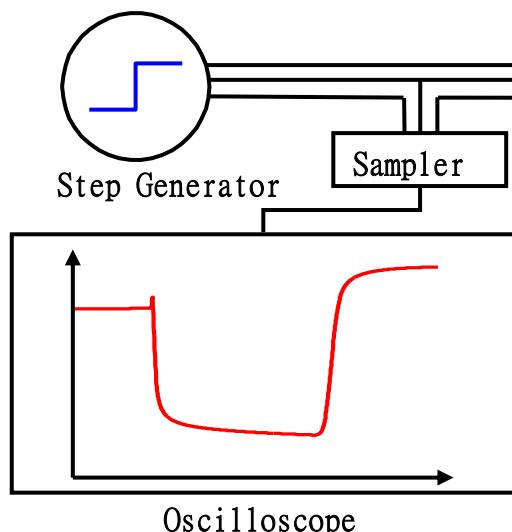


Lagasse et al. 1997

Possible Solution :
→ Time Domain
Reflectometry (TDR)

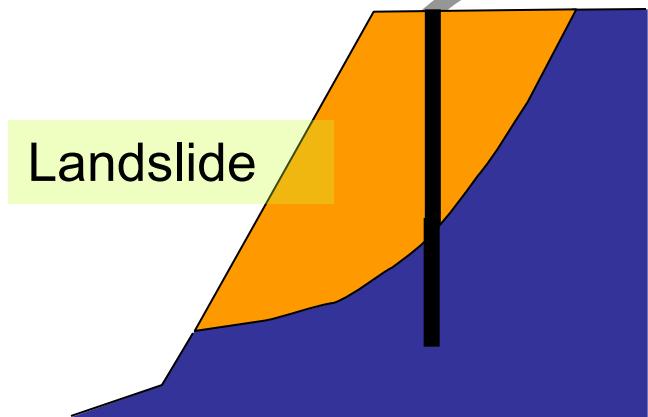
TDR basics

TDR System



Cable deformation type

Landslide



Interface type

Extensometer



Rain gauge

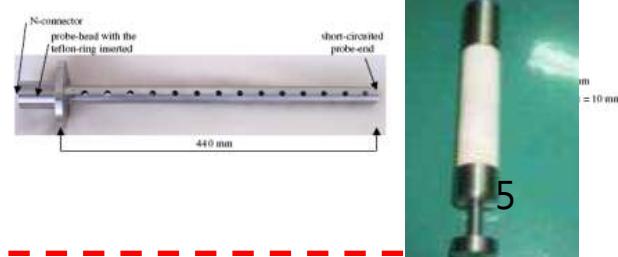


Water content

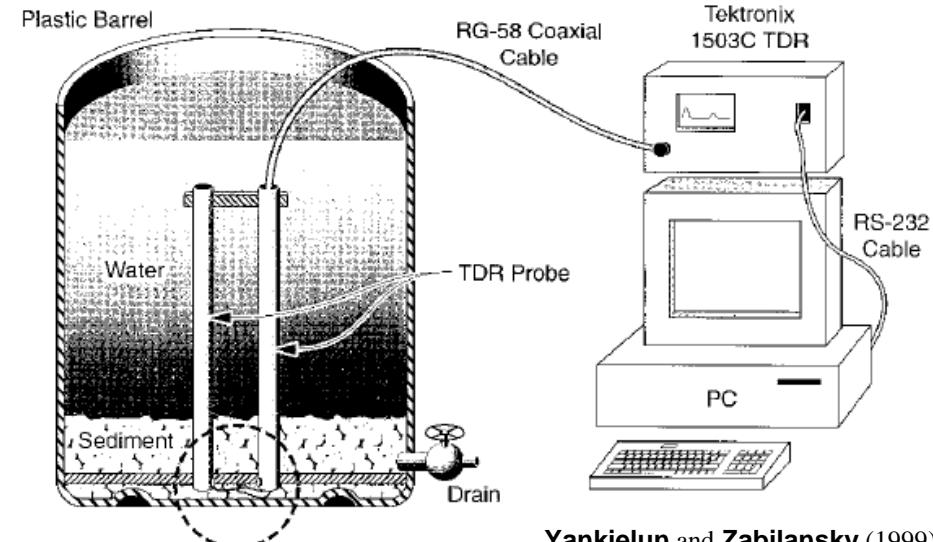
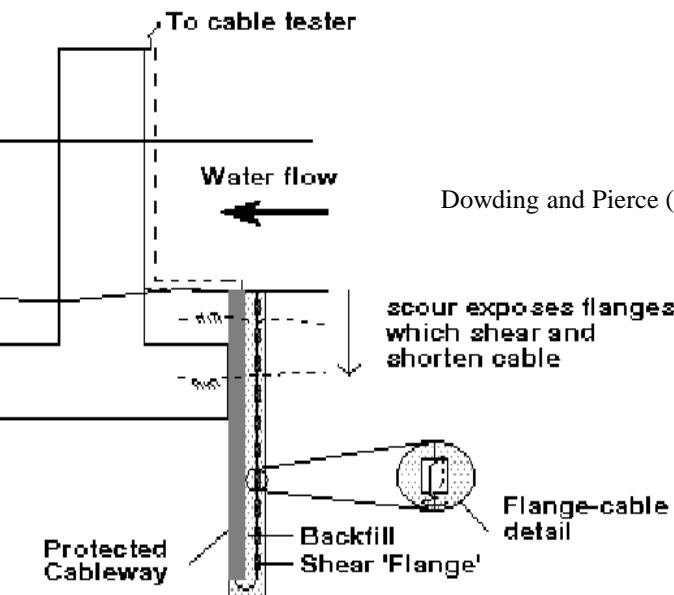
Suspended sediment concentration



Water level

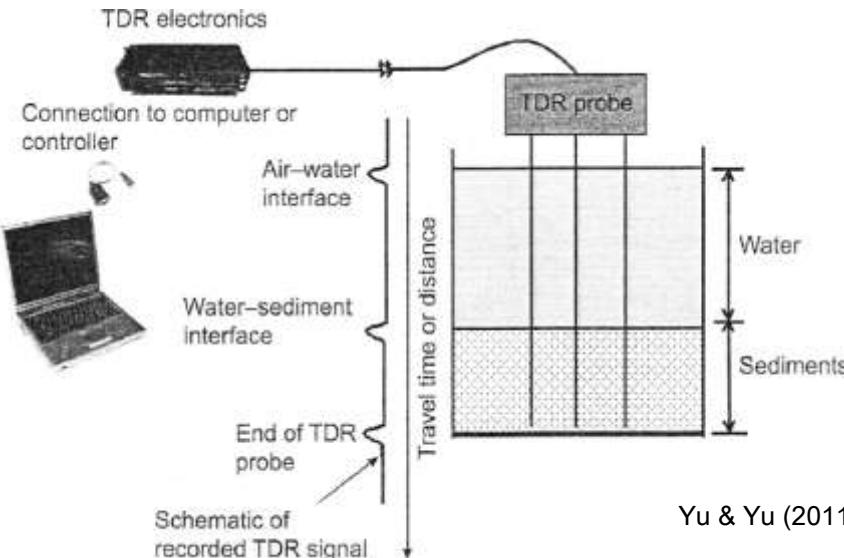


TDR scour review



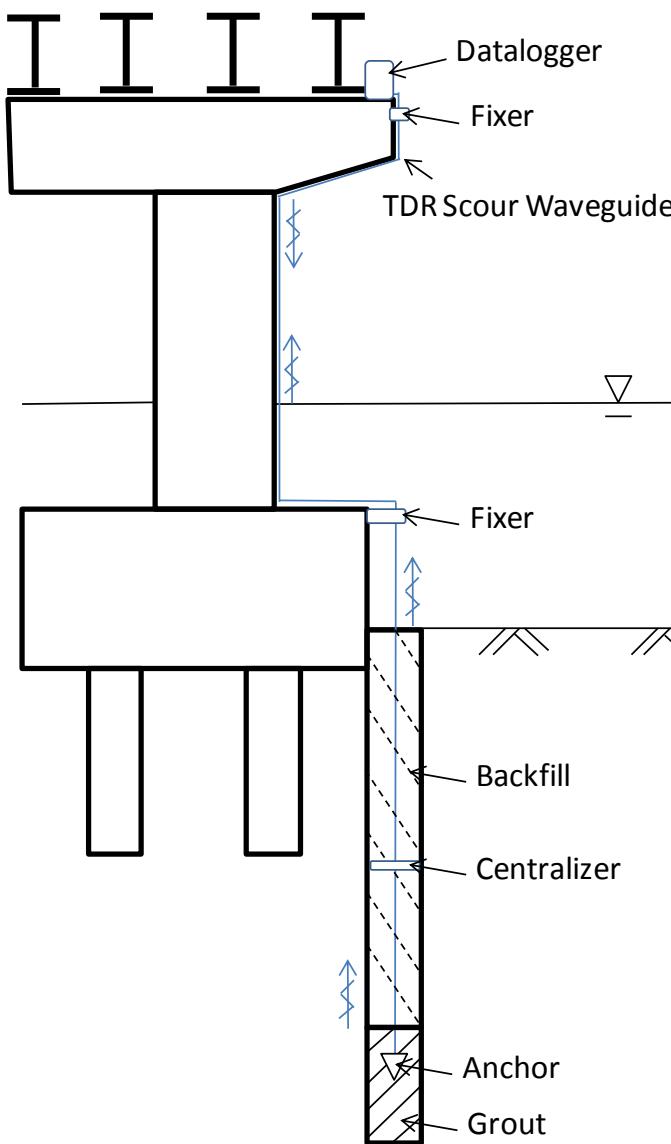
Max scour & Hard installation

Attenuation & Hard installation

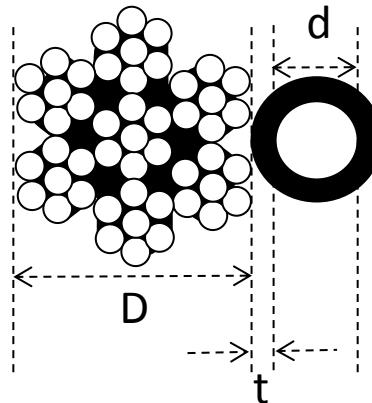


Practical probe design

Development of TDR scour sensing waveguide



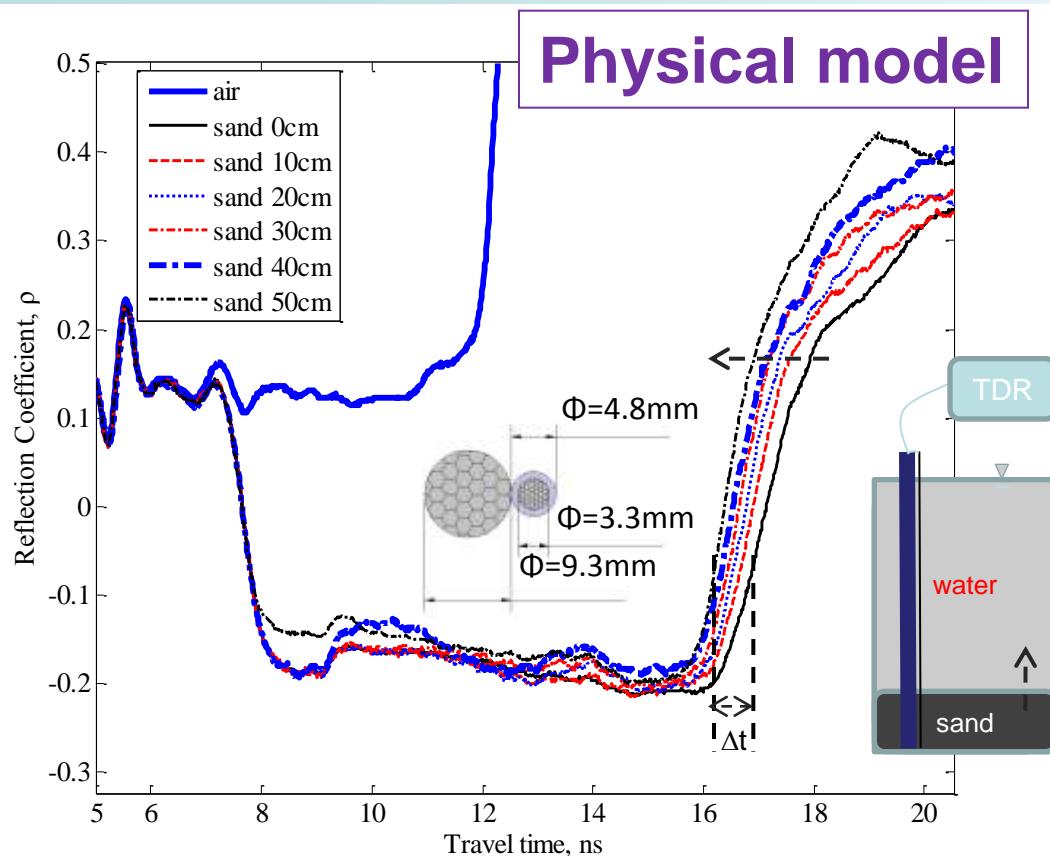
Main steel strand + insulated wire



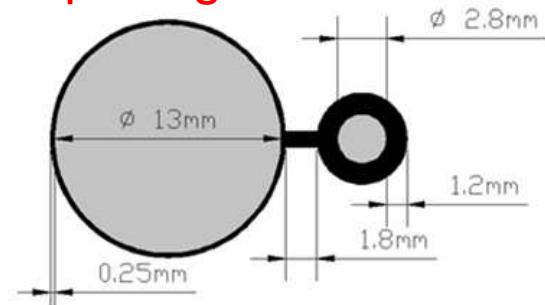
1. Reduce signal attenuation
2. Increase durability
3. Easy installation



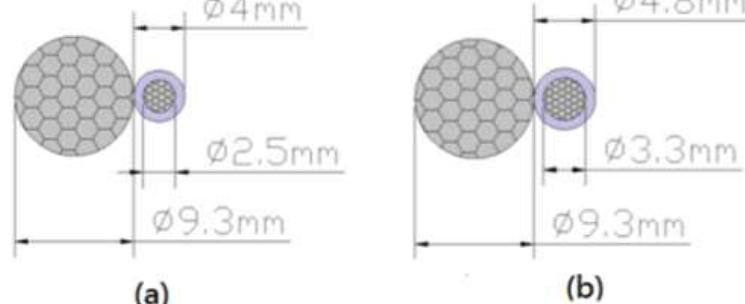
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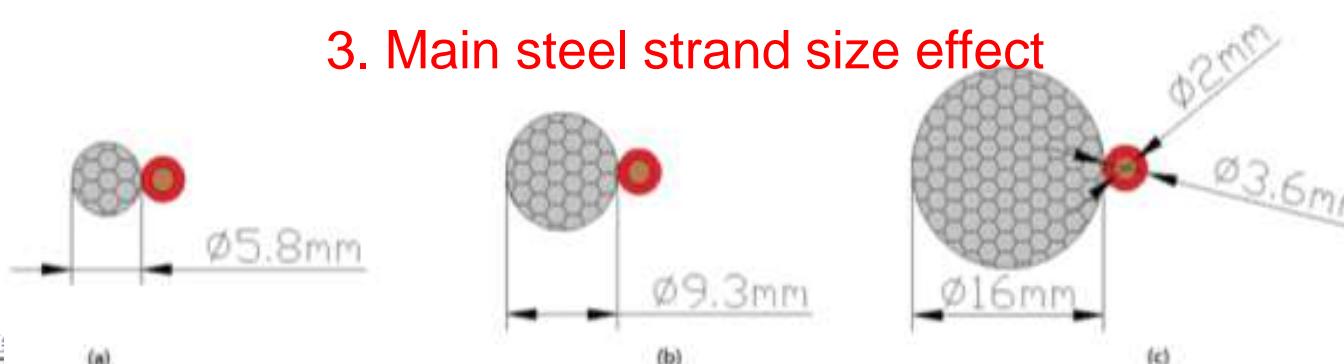
1. Spacing effect



2. Insulated wire size effect



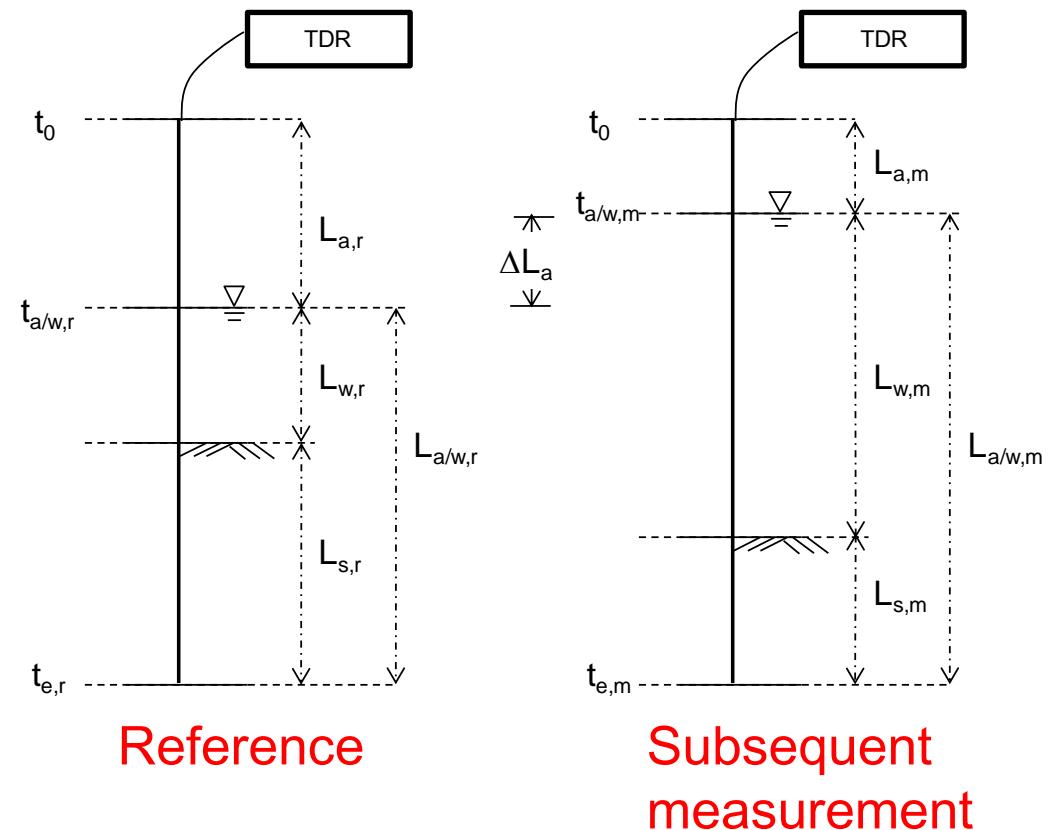
3. Main steel strand size effect



Data Reduction: Calibration and Measurement

Modified total travel time analysis

→ Improve measurement accuracy & stability



Step 1 : V_a calibration

$$(t_{a/w,m} - t_0) - (t_{a/w,r} - t_0) = \frac{2\Delta L_a}{V_a}$$

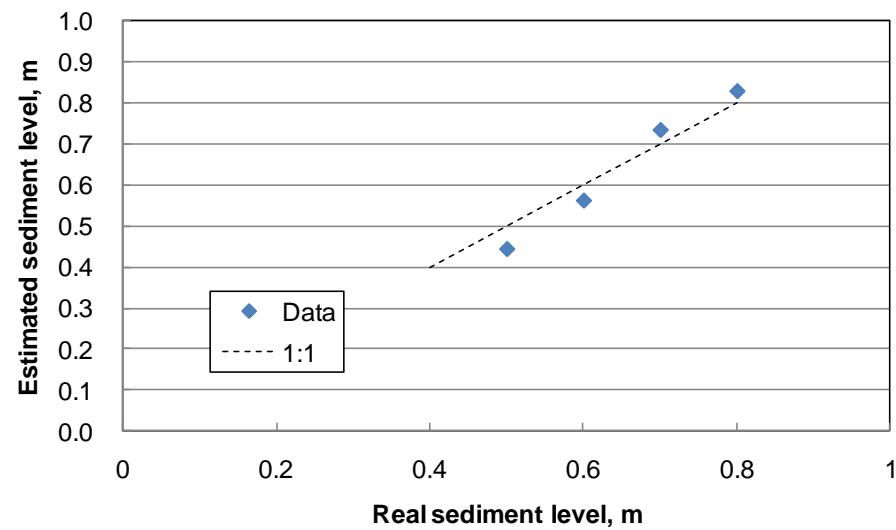
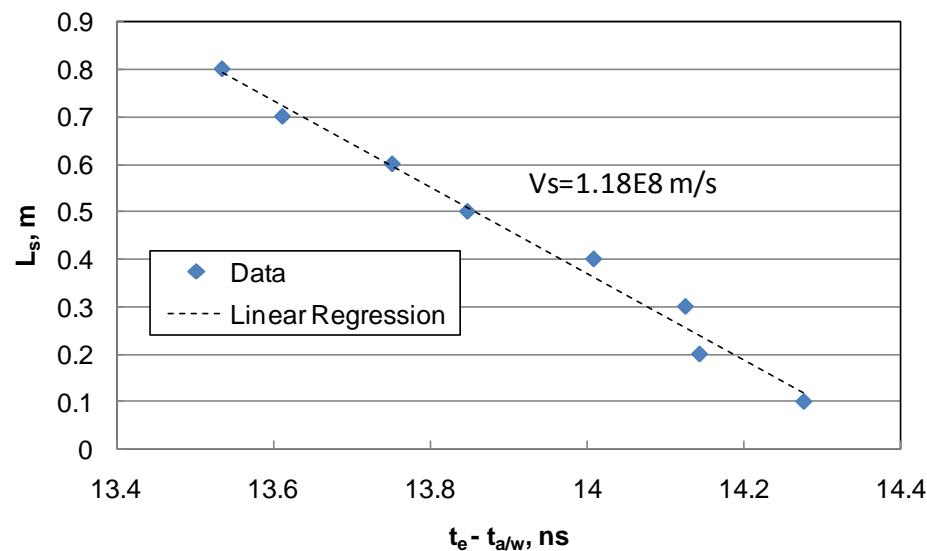
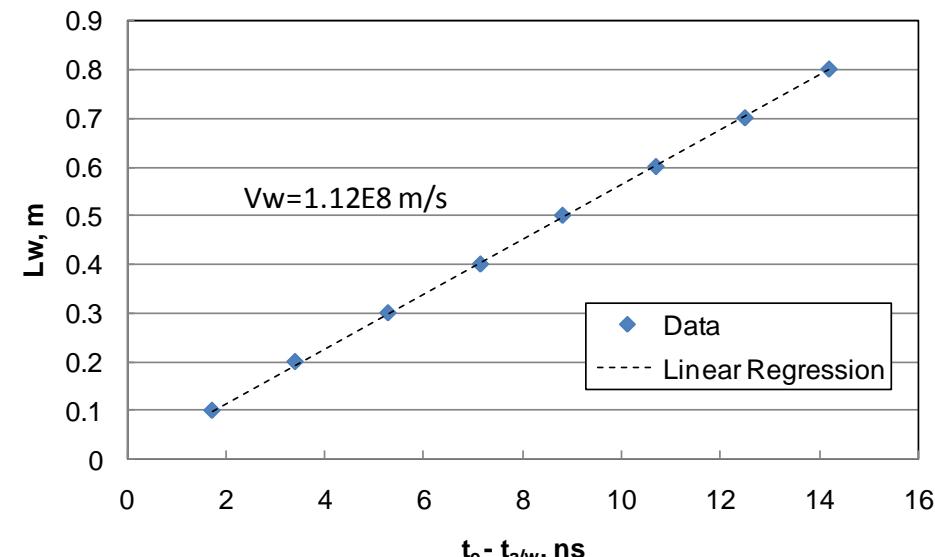
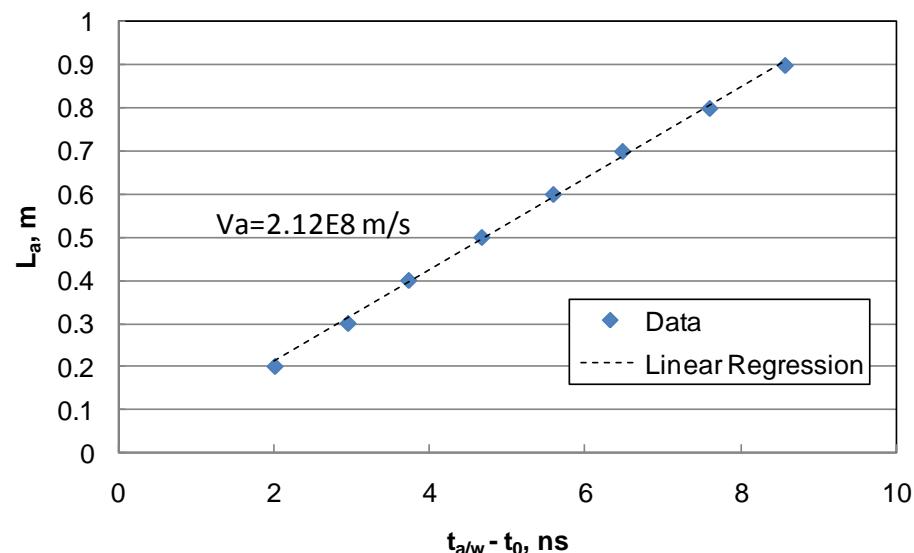
Step 2 : V_w & V_s calibration

$$\begin{cases} (t_{e,r} - t_{a/w,r}) = \frac{2L_{w,r}}{V_w} + \frac{2L_{s,r}}{V_s} \\ (t_{e,m} - t_{a/w,m}) = \frac{2L_{w,m}}{V_w} + \frac{2L_{s,m}}{V_s} \end{cases}$$

Step 3 : Real measurement

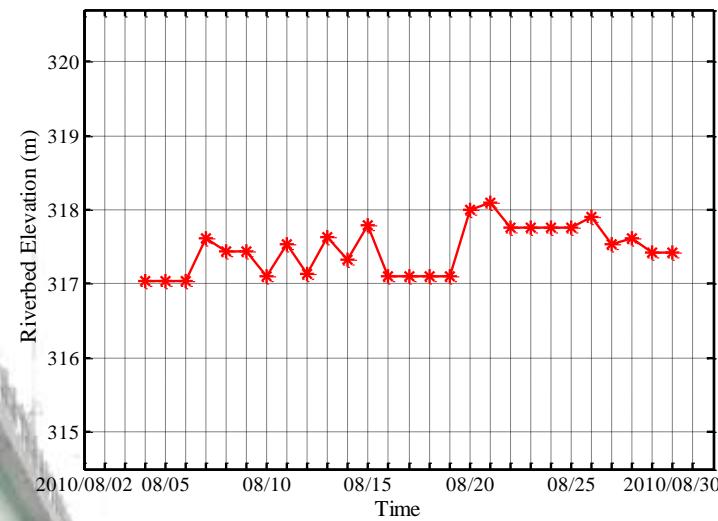
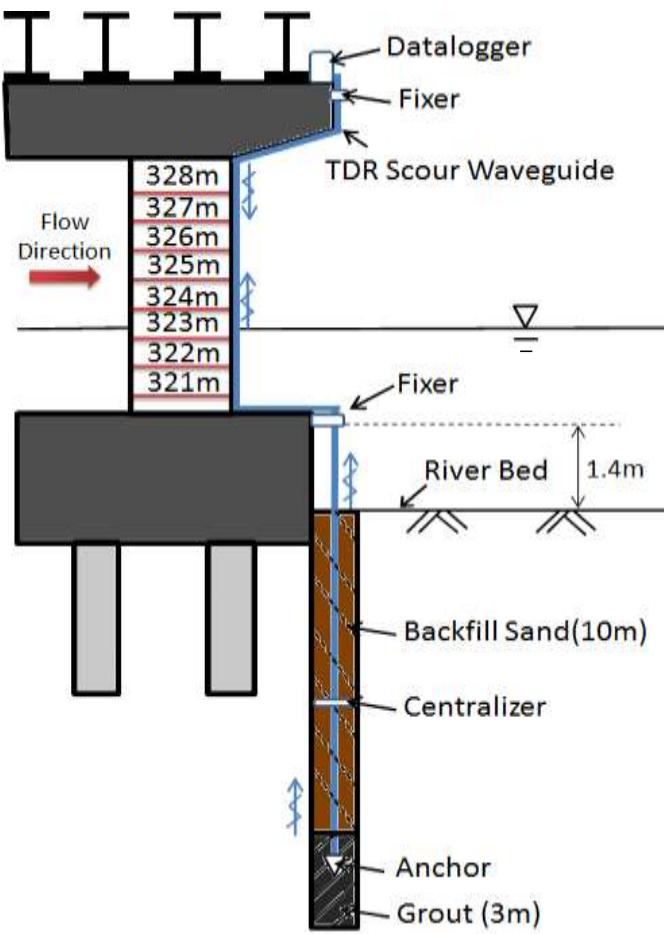
$$(t_{e,m} - t_{a/w,m}) = \frac{2(L_{a/w,m} - L_{s,m})}{V_w} + \frac{2L_{s,m}}{V_s}$$

Data Reduction: Calibration and Measurement



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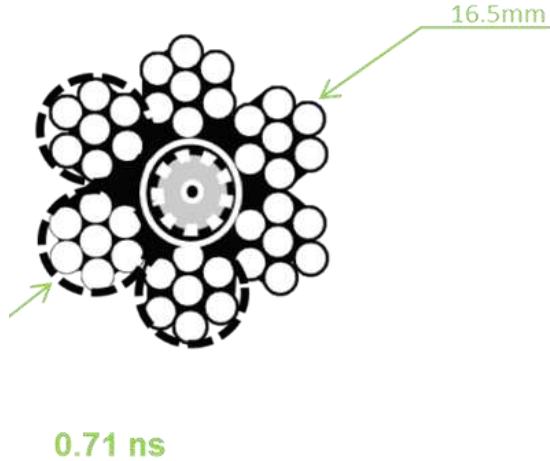
Pilot Field Installation and Evaluation



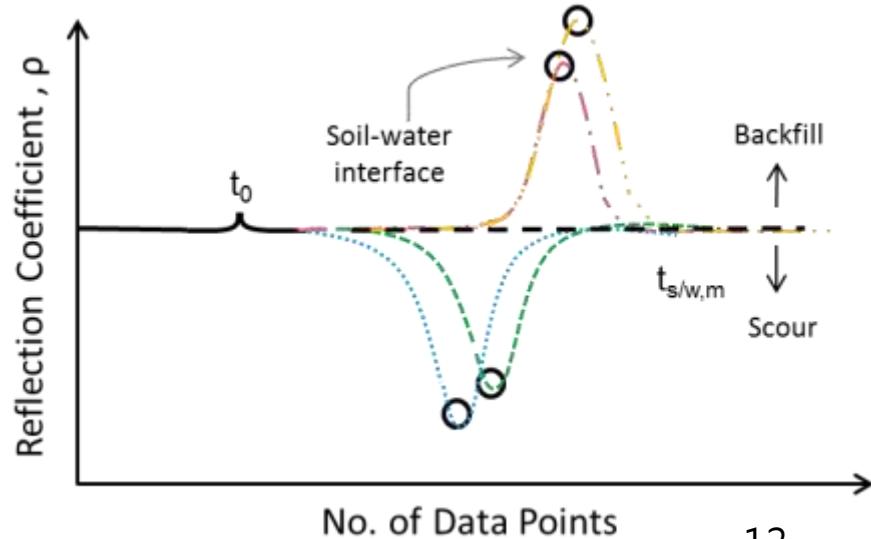
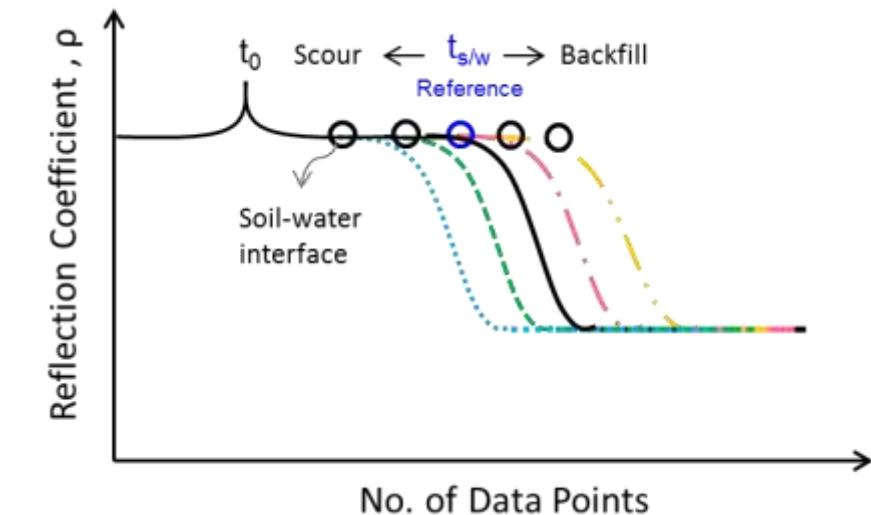
Future Study

Bottom-up measurement

→ Reduce the rainfall influence
at air section



Bottom-up type wire
1. Single wire
2. Coaxial embedded





Thank you for your attention

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