



# Computation of Annual Strike Probability of a Wind-borne Tumbling Missile using TOMAXI

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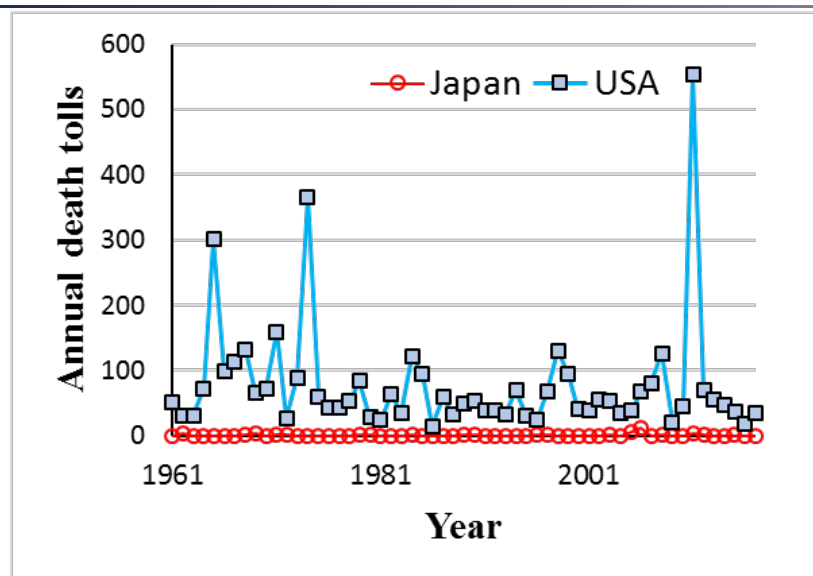
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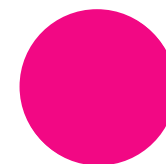


## Background of this study

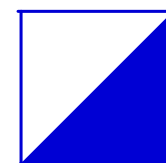


average (1961-2017)

0.72/year in Japan vs. 77.4/year in USA  
(38.1/year, adjusted for  
area and population density of Japan)



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## Reasons of the seemingly excessive conservatism

items	Japan	USA												
Tornado intensity scale	The meteorological agency has officially started adopting the Japanese Enhanced Fujita (JEF) scale, but Nuclear Regulatory Authority (NRA) of Japan has <b>not adopted JEF-scale</b> for tornado design.	Enhanced Fujita (EF) scale is used. <table border="1" data-bbox="1201 634 1906 1016"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="1201 634 1390 769">region</th> <th data-bbox="1390 634 1629 769">Reg. Guide 1.76 (AEC, 1974)</th> <th data-bbox="1629 634 1906 769">Reg. Guide 1.76 Rev.1 (2007)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="1201 769 1390 850">I</td> <td data-bbox="1390 769 1629 850">161 m/s</td> <td data-bbox="1629 769 1906 850">103 m/s</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1201 850 1390 932">II</td> <td data-bbox="1390 850 1629 932">134 m/s</td> <td data-bbox="1629 850 1906 932">89 m/s</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1201 932 1390 1016">III</td> <td data-bbox="1390 932 1629 1016">107 m/s</td> <td data-bbox="1629 932 1906 1016">72 m/s</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	region	Reg. Guide 1.76 (AEC, 1974)	Reg. Guide 1.76 Rev.1 (2007)	I	161 m/s	103 m/s	II	134 m/s	89 m/s	III	107 m/s	72 m/s
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Evaluation method	<b>Fully deterministic approach</b> is used in determining design tornado missile speed.	<b>Probabilistic aspects</b> are partly considered in determining design tornado missile speed.												

## Objectives and methods of this study

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### ● Objectives

to evaluate probabilistic aspects of tornado-borne missiles, in particular, annual strike probability of automobiles.

### ● Methods

by combining three evaluation codes:

- 1.tornado wind hazard analysis code (TOWLA),
- 2.tornado-borne missile ballistic simulation code (TONBOS),
- 3.annual strike probability evaluation code (TOMAXI).

## Review of Previous Methodologies for Tornado Missile Strike Probability

Code name	Developer	Main features
<b>TORMIS</b>	EPRI (Currently, Applied Research Associates, Inc. maintains the up-to-date version )	<p>【method】 Monte Carlo method (tornado path etc.)</p> <p>【note】 approved for use by the NRC in 1983, and applied to real sites for tornado missile protection exemptions</p>
<b>TMSC</b> (Tornado Missile Strike Calculator)	Westinghouse Electric Company	<p>【method】 Monte Carlo method (tornado path etc.)</p> <p>【note】 EXCEL-based code (Visual Basic for Application), NOT approved by NRC yet</p>
<b>TMRE</b> (Tornado Missile Risk Evaluator)	Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)	<p>【method】 <b>Scaling approach:</b> Standard values of Missile Impact Probability (MIP) are calculated based on TORMIS results (EPRI Report NP-768, 1978), and applied to generic evaluations by multiplying it with a target area.</p> <p>【note】 NRC Contractor report (*) says, "The scaling approach was found defensible, but additional verification and adjustments are needed in several areas."</p>

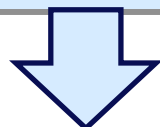
## Basic idea employed in TOMAXI code

Annual missile strike probability:  $p_h$

$$p_h = P \cap Q \text{ (conceptual expression)}$$

$P$ : tornado attack frequency (1/year)

$Q$ : conditional missile strike probability, if tornado attacked.



Take wind speed dependences of  $P$  and  $Q$  into account

Annual strike probability for a target locating at  $\mathbf{r}$ ,  $p_h(\mathbf{r})$ ,

$P(V)$  : Probability density function of local wind speed,  $V$  ( $\text{y}^{-1}/(\text{m/s})^{-1}$ )

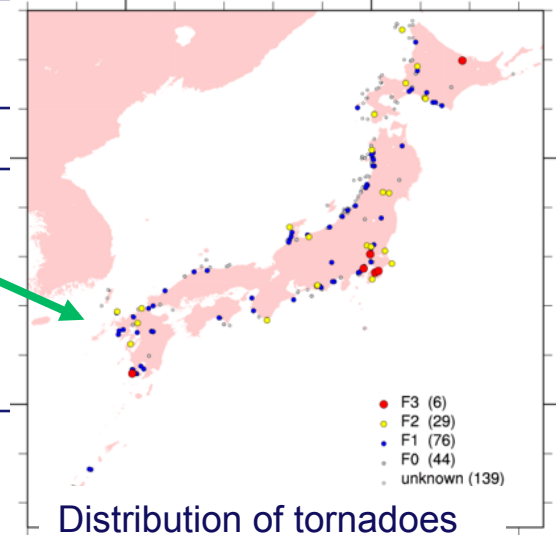
$Q_V(\mathbf{r})$  : Conditional strike probability for local wind speed,  $V$

$H(V)$  : Annual exceedance probability of local wind ( $\text{y}^{-1}$ )

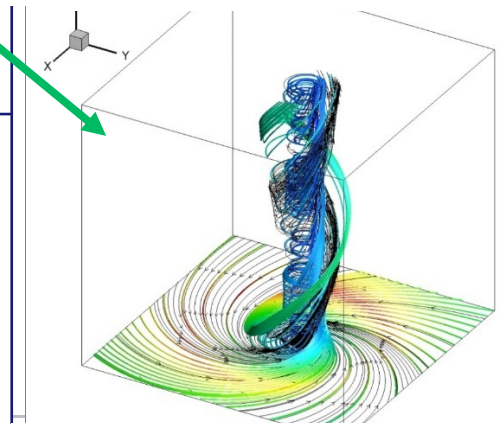
## In-house computer codes employed

Code	function	note
TOWLA	compute tornado wind hazard curve, $H(V)$ , using meteorological database	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● non-uniform distribution of tornadoes in Japan (high density along the coast)</li> </ul>
TONBOS	compute trajectories and speed of tornado-borne missiles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Random orientation model /tumbling model of missile</li> <li>● Fujita model for wind field</li> </ul>
TOMAXI	Compute <b>spatial distribution of annual missile strike probability</b> of a missile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Target is horizontal or vertical plate at arbitrary position.</li> <li>● <b>Statistical isotropy of tornado path direction is assumed.</b></li> </ul>

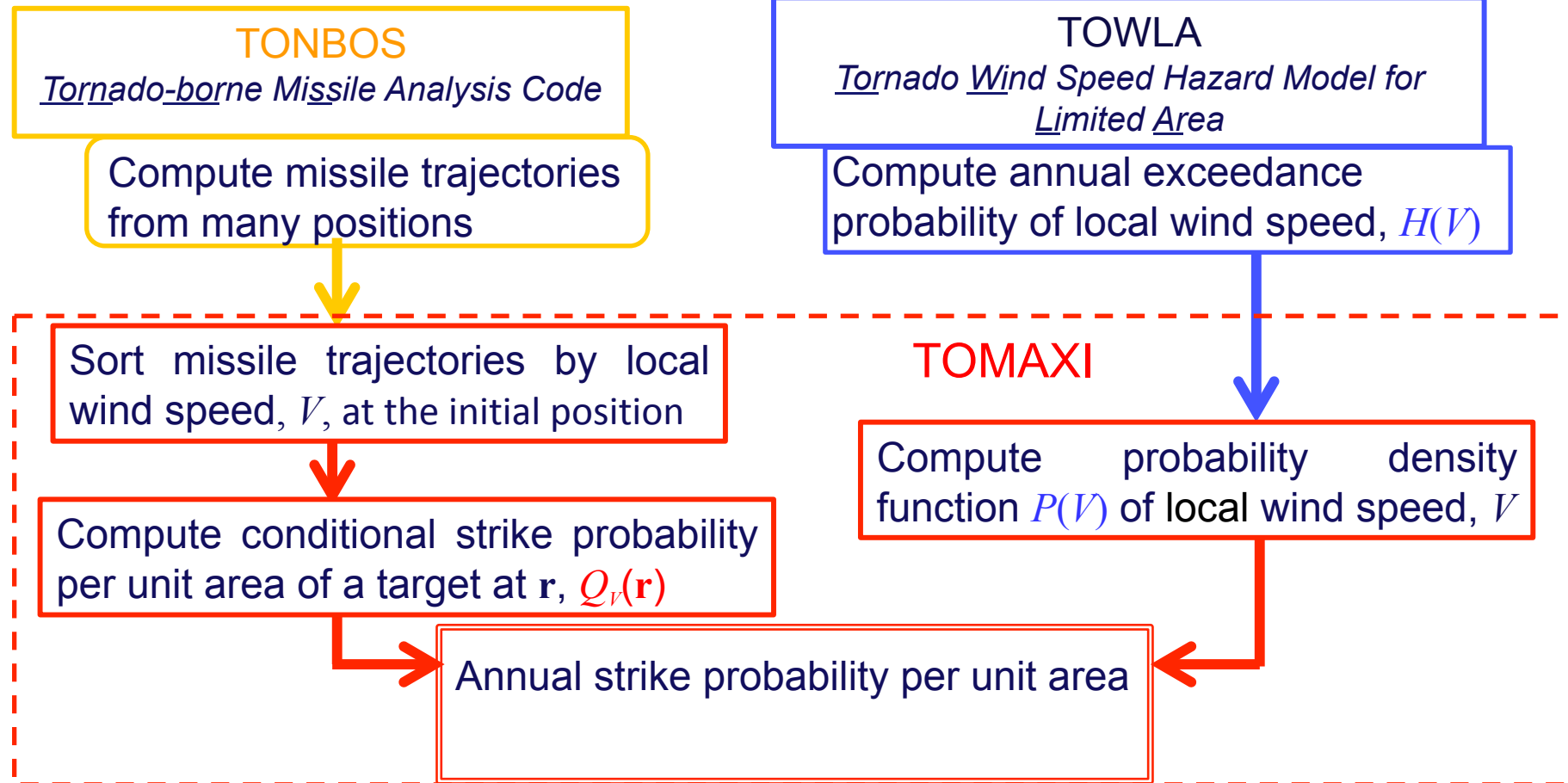
Tornadoes from cold front (1961-2012)



Distribution of tornadoes



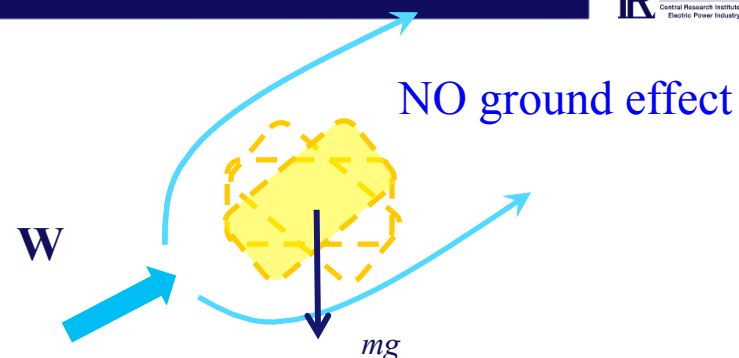
Streamlines of Fujita model



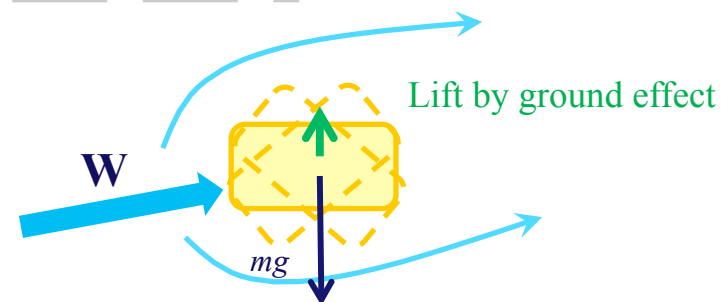


# Unique feature of TONBOS (1)

## Ground effect on lift force



near-ground region



Lift force by  
ground effect

Unsymmetrical  
flow due to ground

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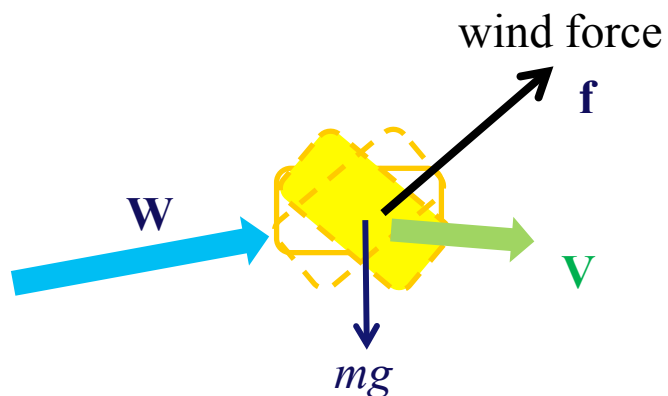


gravity:  $mg$

## Unique feature of TONBOS (2)

### Random orientation

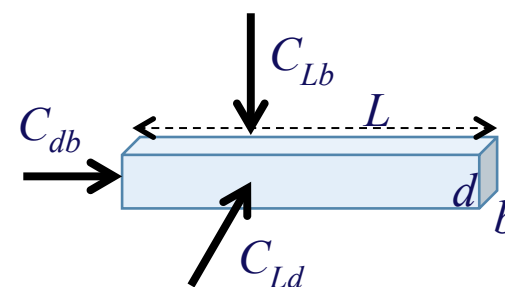
### update interval



STEP\_0. set  $q=0$

STEP\_1. integrate the above eq. in time

STEP\_2. update object orientation **if**  $q > p$   
and go to STEP\_0, **else** STEP\_1.



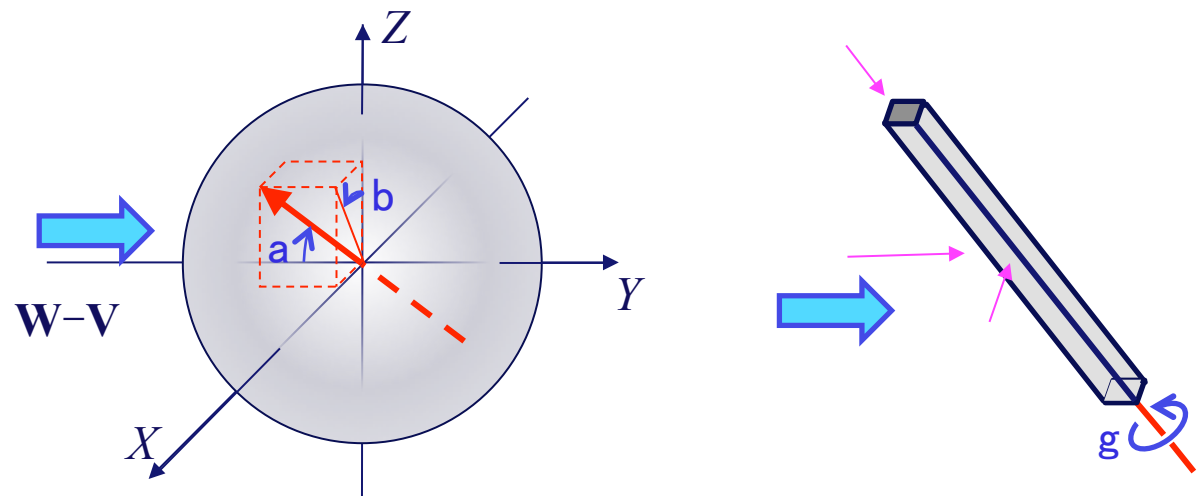
# Coefficients of aerodynamic forces depending on orientation

drag coeff.

lift coeff.

side force coeff.

cross-flow theory



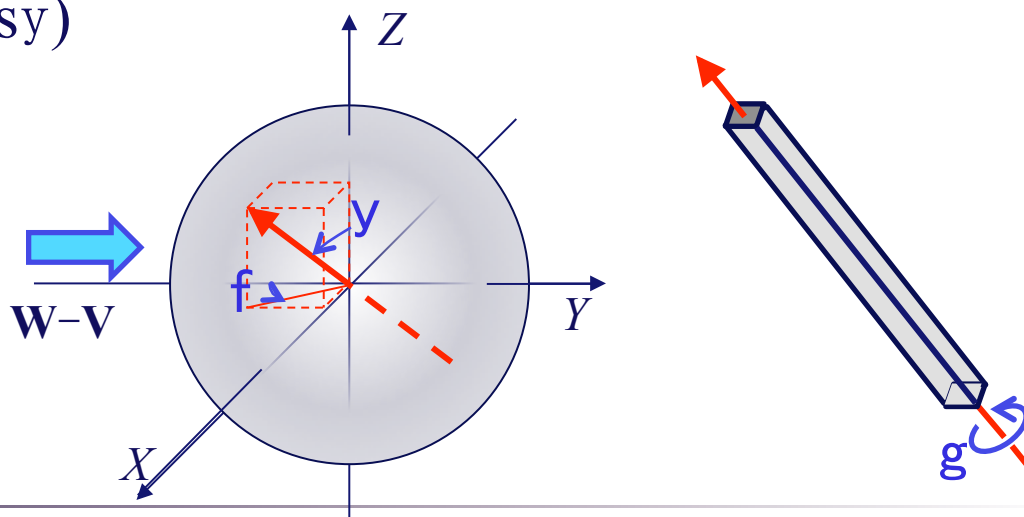
## Random orientation model (Twisdale & Vickery, 1992)

$$y = \cos^{-1}(1 - 2x_1), \quad f = p(2x_2 - 1), \quad g = 2px_3$$

where  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  : random number between 0 and 1

Orientation vector,  $\mathbf{L}$  is defined by angles  $y$  and  $f$ .

$$\mathbf{L} = (\sin f \sin y, -\cos f \sin y, \cos y)$$

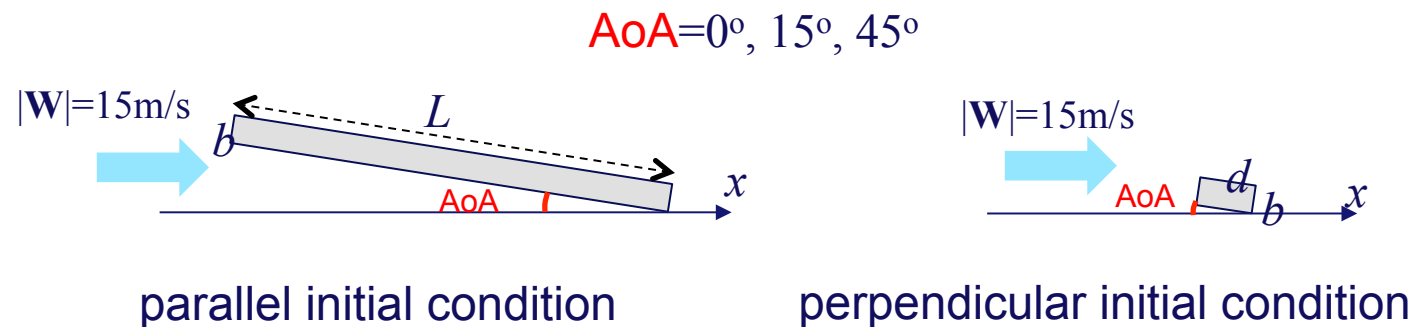




# Validation of aerodynamic & flight model

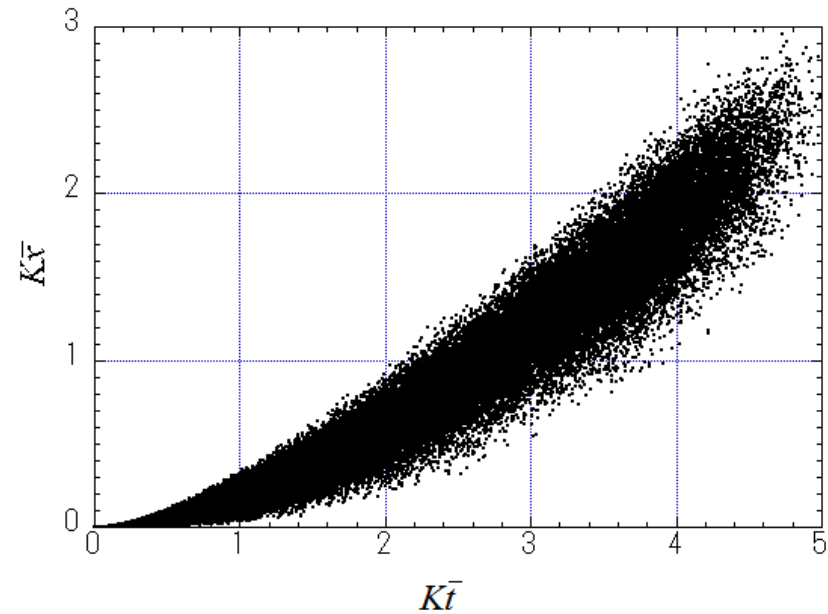
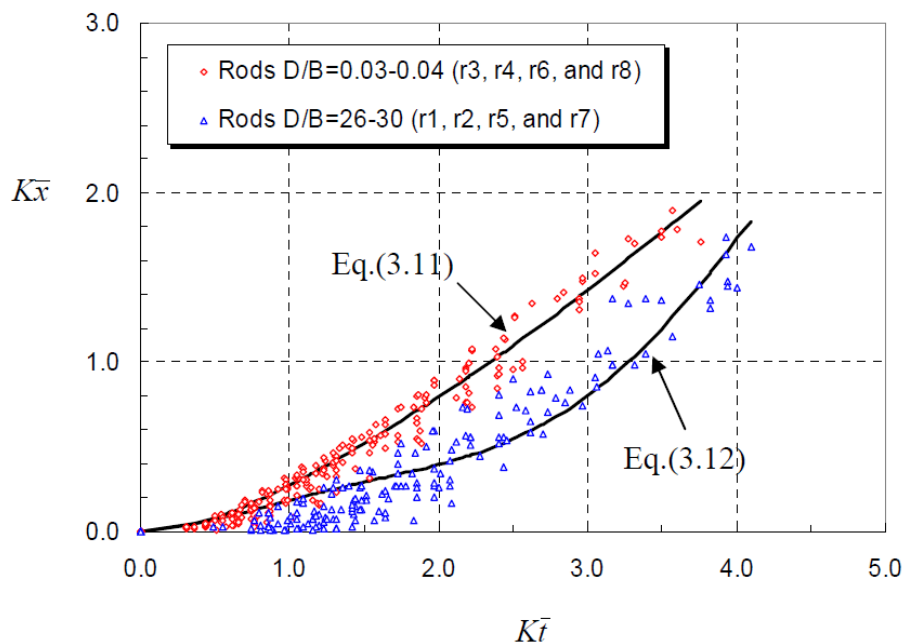
[22] Lin, N., "Simulation of windborne debris trajectories", Master of Science thesis, Dept. of Civil Engineering, Texas Tech Univ., Lubbock, Texas, 2005.

wind tunnel experiment



Horizontal displacement,  $x$ , is recorded with time,  $t$ , and non-dimensionalized.

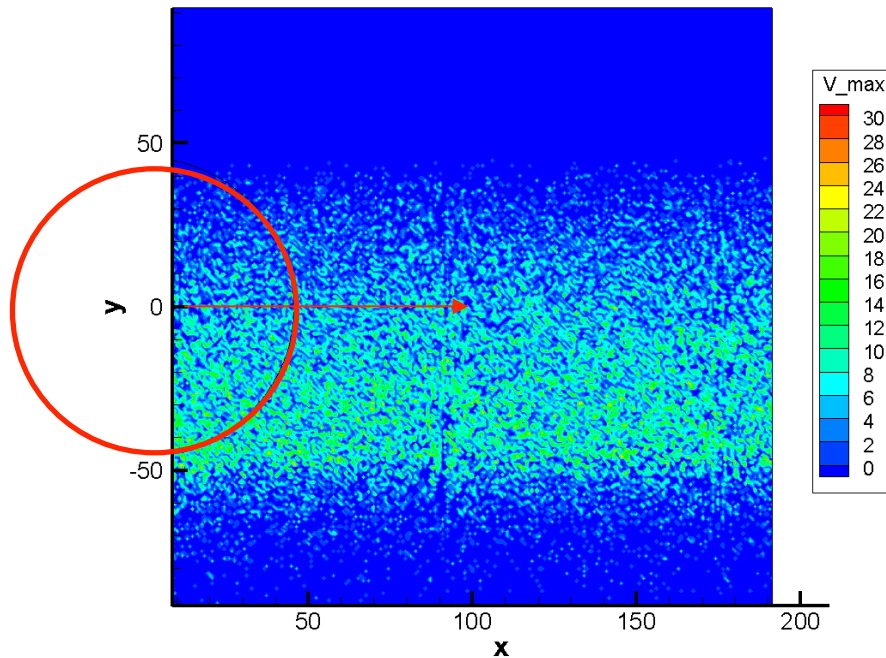
# Experimental and numerical results



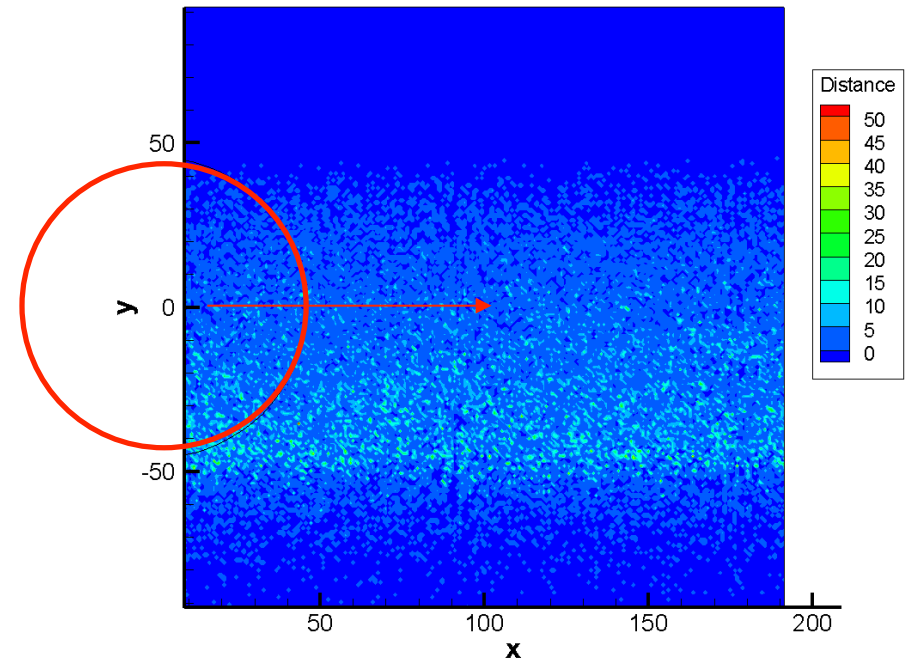
Experimental results by Lin [22]

Numerical results by the present model

# Distribution of missile speed and flight distance



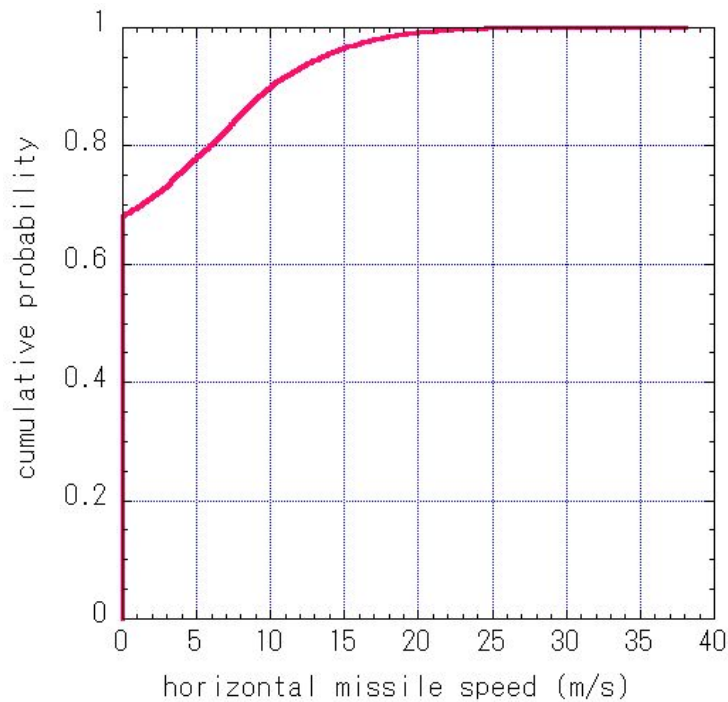
Maximum horizontal speed [unit: m/s]



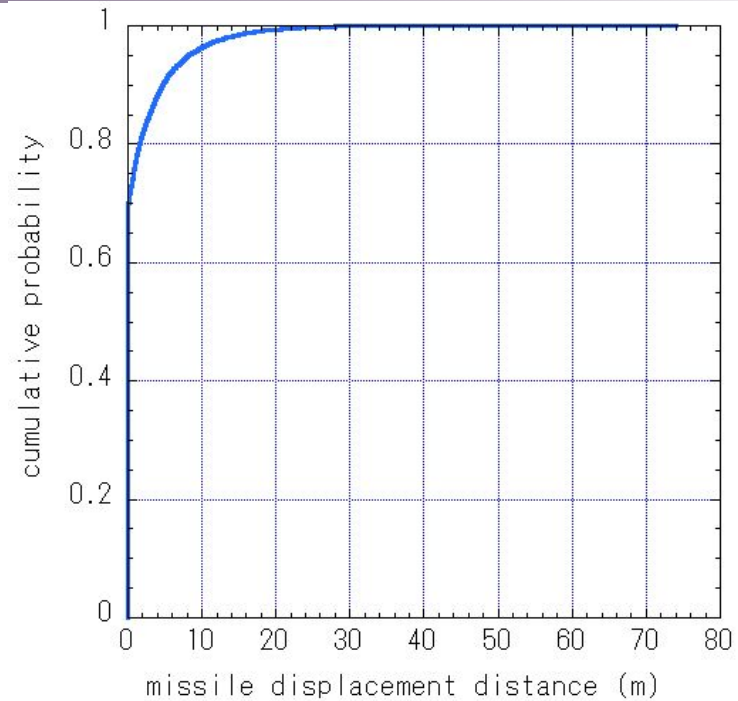
Flight displacement distance [unit: m]



# Cumulative probability of missile speed and distance

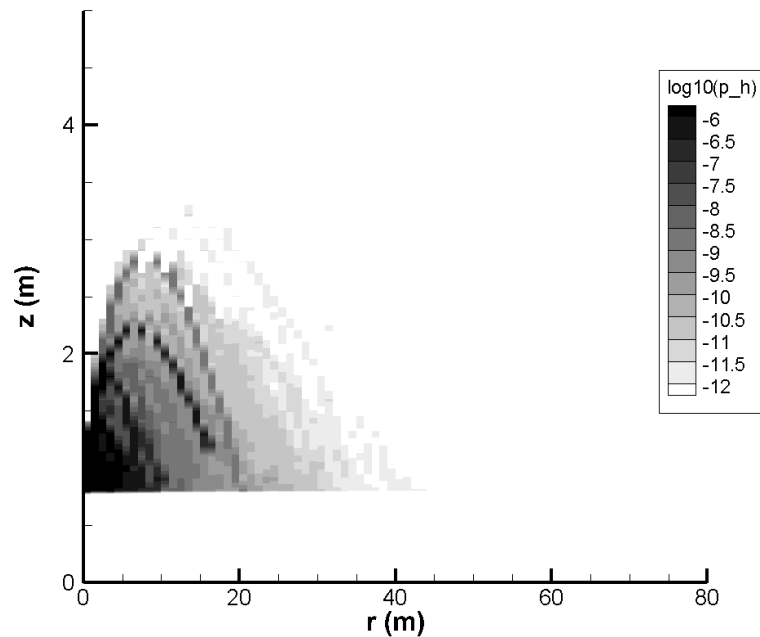


**Cumulative probability of maximum horizontal speed**

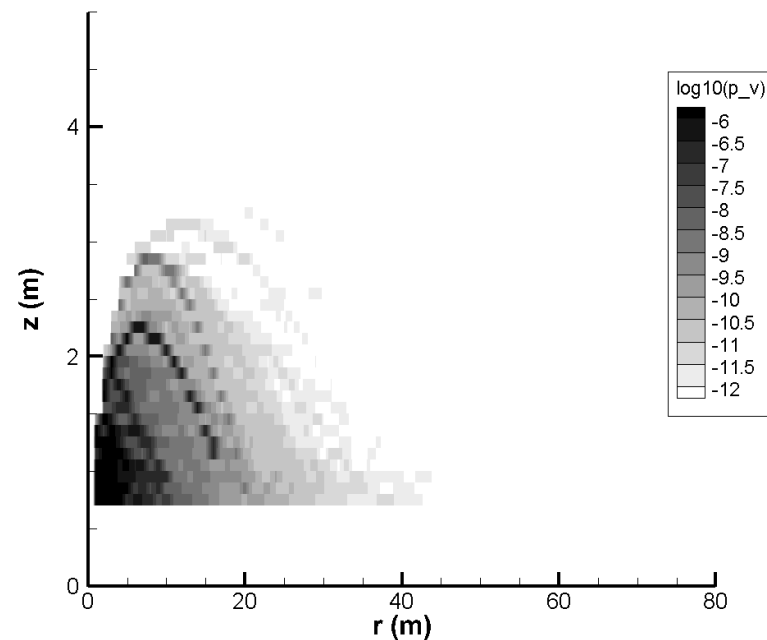


**Cumulative probability of flight displacement**

# Annual automobile strike probability



**Strike probability for horizontal plate of unit area**



**Strike probability for vertical plate of unit area**

# Conclusion

- The velocity fluctuation model and random orientation model are newly implemented in TONBOS (ver.4) to take the probabilistic features into account.
- An evaluation method for tornado missile strike probability has been developed by assuming statistical isotropy of tornado path direction (without fully employing Monte Carlo method).
- As an example, annual strike probability of an automobile on the ground under EF5 tornado condition has been demonstrated.

Thank you for your attention!