

流域災害研究センター沿岸土砂環境研究領域
平石哲也教授研究室の学生が日本で初めて
国際航路協会の De Paepe – Willems 賞を受賞

流域災害研究センター沿岸土砂環境研究領域 松下紘資氏（社会人博士2回生）が、日本から初めて、国際航路協会の De Paepe – Willems 賞を受賞されました。受賞論文は「巨大津波に対する防波堤補強工法（邦訳）」と題するもので、京都大学宇治川オープンラボラトリーでの実験結果を中心にまとめたものです。これはアジアでも初となる快挙です。本年5月にフランスマルセイユで開催される国際航路協会年次総会において表彰式が行われるとともに、論文は Yearbook 2013 に掲載されます。

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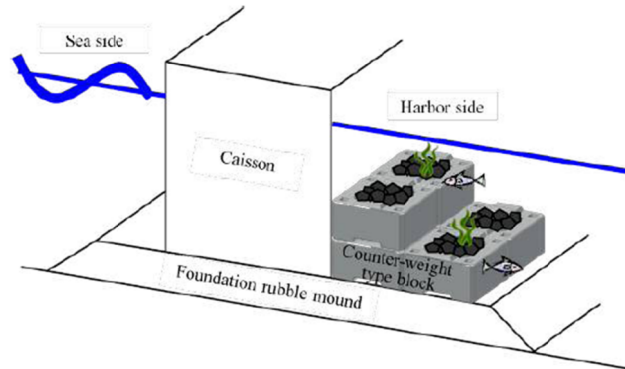
Abstract

The Tohoku-Pacific Ocean Earthquake which occurred in March 2011 generated the huge tsunami of more than 10 m. The tsunami attacked the Pacific coast of Japan several times and collapsed many breakwaters. Furthermore big typhoons which generate extremely big waves higher than the design one for maritime structures have sometimes appeared recently. The frequent appearance of the big typhoons may be affected by climate change due to global warming. The extremely big waves have caused serious damages to breakwater. Therefore, new methods for breakwater reinforcement are required to develop.

Previously the heightening of rubble mound in the rear part of the breakwater was employed as a reinforcement method for upright breakwaters. However, because the heightening of the rear mound may expand the width of the mound to the waterway, the heightening is not preferable for safety navigation in the waterway. The stones of the rubble mound also may be carried into the waterway by the flow induced by the tsunami overflow.

We have developed a counter-weight type block (named SUBPLEO FRAME) which can be expected to exert large sliding resistant force in spite of small cross-section. This block shows a square shape with a large rectangular hole in the center, and natural stones are packed in the hole. The very large resistant force caused by the friction among the stones reduces the size of the cross section of the block. In addition, the model experiments show that the blocks are stable against the tsunami overflow.

Model tests of pulling the block were carried out to evaluate the friction factor of the counter-weight type block. Additionally hydraulic model experiments on the motion of the block were conducted to confirm the validity of the value of friction factor. The model tests for the friction have derived the friction factor 0.75 for design. The hydraulic model experiments have concluded that the blocks designed by the friction factor of 0.75 are sufficiently stable. A tsunami overflow experiments were performed to check the stability performance of the counter-weight type block on comparison with the mound heightening method. As the result, the counter-weight type block shows its stability against the tsunami overflow is quite well.



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