

The Development of the Slope Failure Management System

There are many incidents of slope failure across Japan. The measures are required. Recently soft-measures are expected since hard-measures, such as constructing soil fall protections, are difficult to execute because of economical and environmental consideration. As citizens of Yokohama City and advisers of local government, we developed the Slope Failure Management System. We digitized the existing paper data which municipal government owns. ArcGIS is utilized in order to effectively collect, restore, manage and analyze the slope data for the support of the routine work of personnel in municipal government. With this system, we can predict the potential slope failure by using the results of analytical and real-time rainfall data. We think that the predicted result is useful for emergency responses, such as evacuation activity. The targeted area is Yokohama, Japan

Background

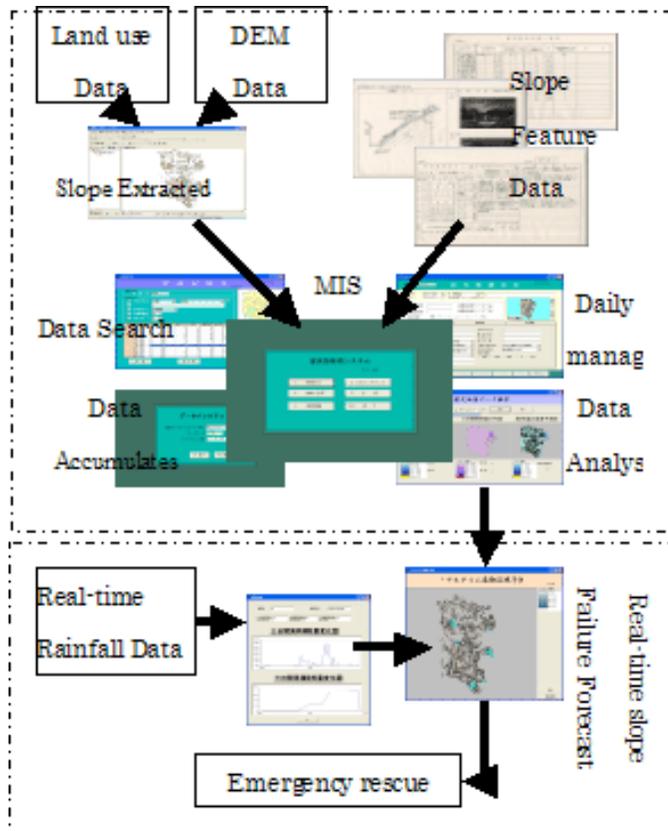
One of the important problems in Yokohama is, there are many steep slopes all around the city. To make matters worse, heavy rains strike Yokohama every year. More than 2000 slope failure disasters happened in past 40 years. Many people, buildings, and city infrastructures are on the hilltop, hillside, and bottom of hills. Recently soft-measures are expected since hard-measures such as constructing soil fall protections are difficult in execution because of economical and environmental consideration.

Fortunately, Municipality of Yokohama has much kind of paper data related to steep slope and dangerous cliff in the city. In order to mitigate the risk of the calamity by slope failure, those paper data was digitized and the slope data warehouse which accumulates the history information on past was built by us. Moreover, the statistics analysis technique was introduced and the slope failure factors were clarified. Finally, the natural slope and the disaster zone were extracted on GIS, and we developing the real-time slope failure forecast system with GIS and slope Data warehouse.

System development

The utilization of mass data in municipal governments, as property, is very important on the field of urban planning and urban disaster prevention field. As new data management technology, the Data warehouse is utilized to do it. The decision support function of Data warehouse, and use of a statistics function, an analysis function, etc. is utilized in the real-time slope failure forecast system.

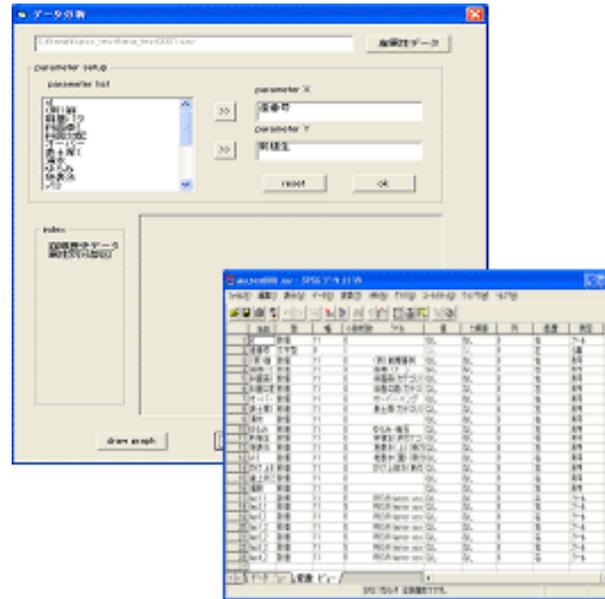
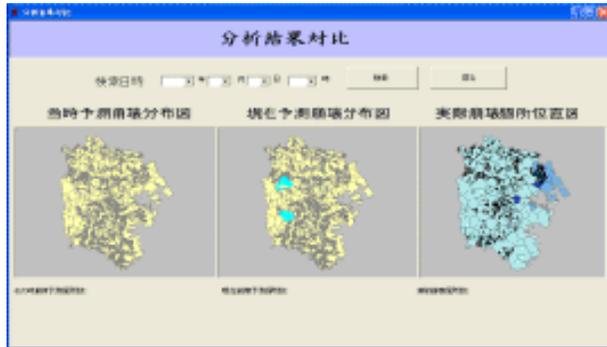
System flow chart



Management

The existing paper data is digitized and manages in Geo database. Accumulated slope feature data can be displayed on form directly and with map for location. Used the daily management form, you can edit those slope feature data, such as add a new feature data or update feature data, and edit the map. Only by having a look on maps, you can understand the slope position data and spatial relationship, and various map data can be piled up. It is useful for speedup decision at the time of Emergency rescue. In addition, it is also possible to draw a disaster danger spot centering on a specific slope, to clarify the danger area of each slope for the land use plan around the slope.

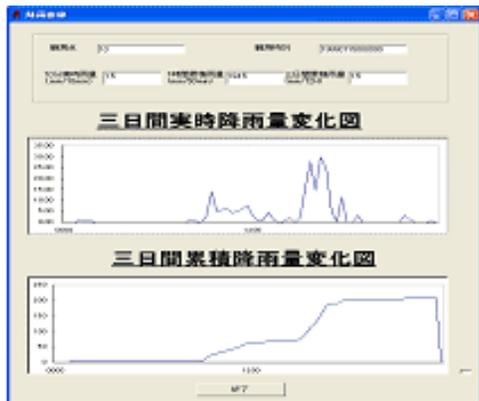
attribute, etc.) We get the prediction method from many-sided analysis on slope failure factors.



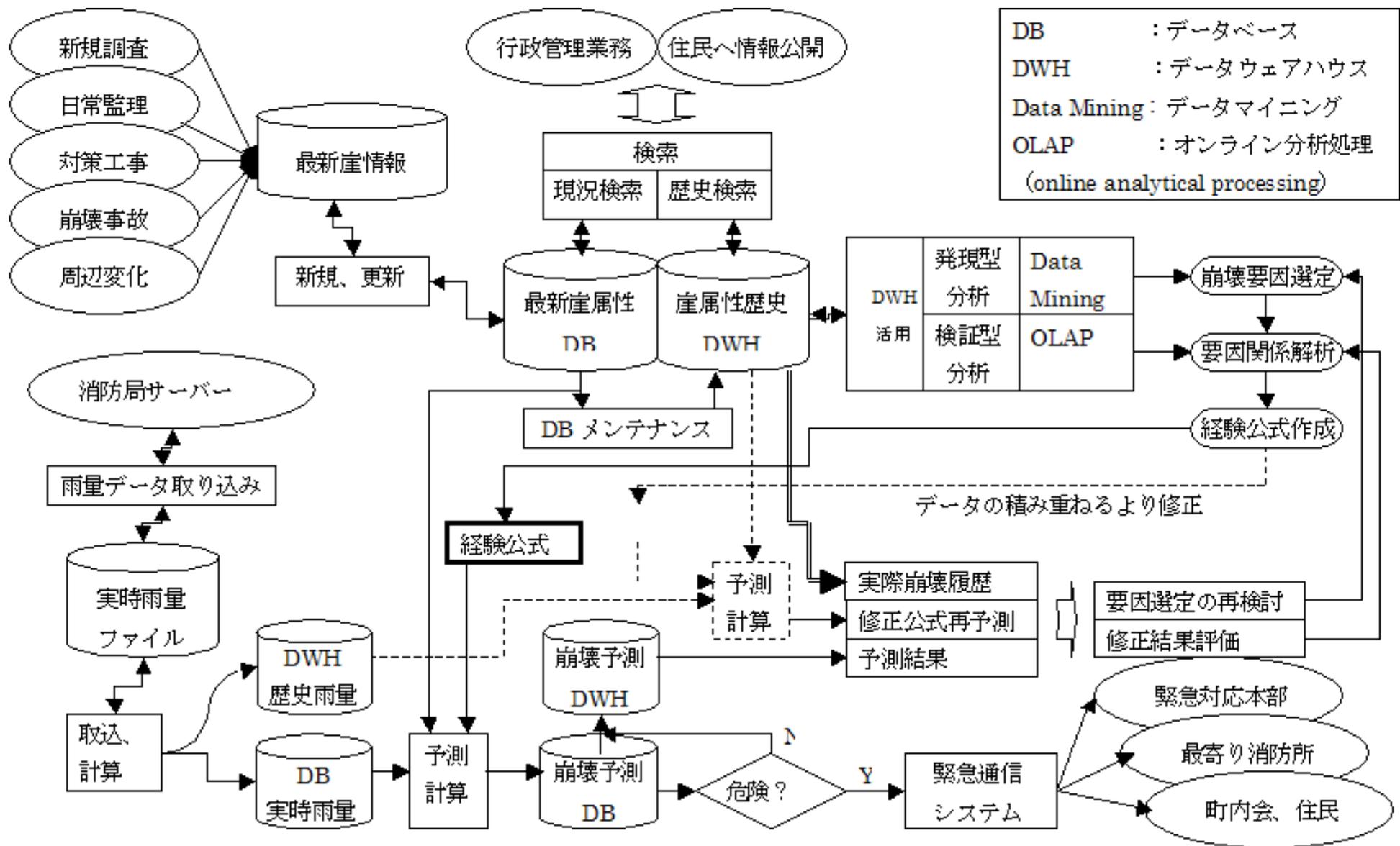
Real-time rainfall curvilinear & Real-time prediction

System will be collected have rainfall data by 97 rain gauge around city. Rainfall data is observed every quarter hour. And system will put 1-hour rainfall and 3 days rainfall into ArcGIS spatial analyst with the approximate expression for slope failure from analysis results, then ArcGIS calculate the dangerous area for slope failure at the time.

The result of Real-time prediction that carried out will be expressed by classification by color on a map. Then we have to prepare for emergency response against the collapse. Promoting evacuation to local residents and so on.



Data Flow Chart



CONCLUSION (PRIMARY HEADING)

A GIS-based application has been developed for Slope Failure Management. In order to support the disaster prevention activities and urgent correspondence we developed this slope failure prediction system. It is a cooperative analyze system with GIS and DWH synthetically.

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