

# You may be wondering what is The good, The bad, and The ugly?



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# The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly: I, Typhoon, and Research

荒野大鏢客 (A Fistful of Dollars, 1964) 黃昏雙鏢客 (For a Few Dollars More, 1965) 黃金三鏢客 (The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly, 1966)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AFa1-kciCb4





I graduated from the National Taiwan University with a BS in meteorology in 1977.





1977

One day, I decided to go abroad to see the world, so I went to the United States in 1979 to pursue advanced degrees in Meteorology at Purdue University.





I received Master of Science degree in 1981 from Purdue University, and stayed on to earn a Ph.D. in meteorology

in 1984.

Upon graduating from Purdue University in 1984, I went to UNC Asheville to become a teacher.





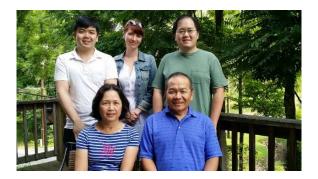
# Our first son, Kevin, was born in 1983, and the second son, Jason, came along in 1986.



**1987** 



Emmeline, 2017



We adopted a dog, Fudgie, in 1997, and he passed away in 2013.

2015



1997





2009

# The University of North Carolina Asheville (UNCA) is the only public liberal arts university in North Carolina. It was established in 1927 and is located in the heart of <u>Blue Ridge Mountains</u>.

















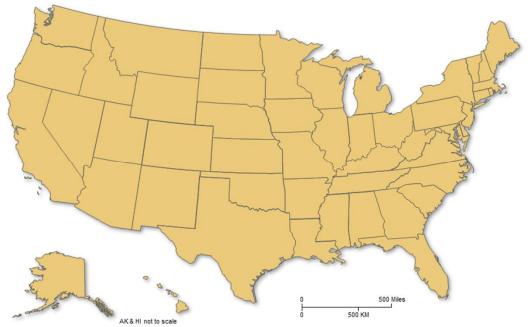
#### Asheville, North Carolina





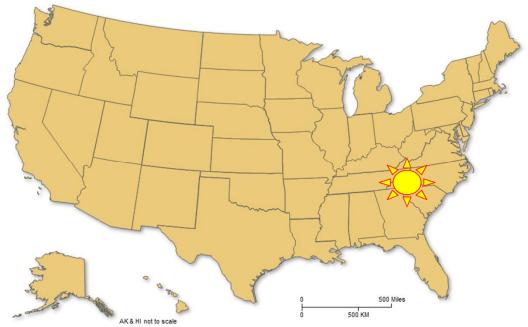
#### Where is Asheville, North Carolina?



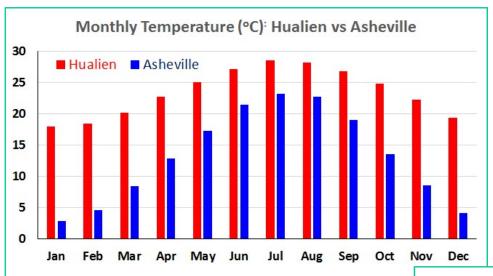


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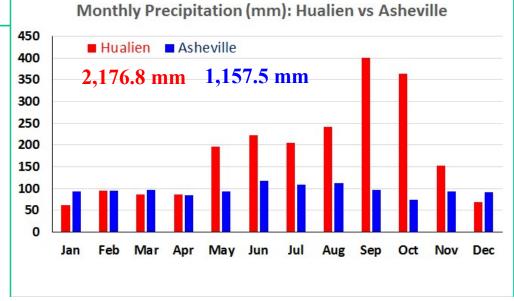


# Hualien is warmer and wetter than Asheville



Hualien has the tropical climate.

Asheville has the continental climate.



<b>UNC Asheville</b>	Dong Hwa University	Category
Public Liberal Arts University	National Comprehensive University	TYPE
Diversity and Inclusion, Innovation, and Sustainability	Freedom, Democracy, Creativity, Excellence	мотто
Asheville, North Carolina, USA	Hualien County, Taiwan, ROC	LOCATION
1927	1994	ESTABLISHED
1.07 km^2	2.51 km^2	CAMPUS
16 academic buildings	> 20 academic buildings	BUILDINGS
Bulldogs	Ring-necked pheasants	MOSCOT
Blue and White	Green and Yellow	SCHOOL COLORS
3715	7597	BS STUDENTS
24	2290	MS STUDENTS
0	358	PhD STUDENTS
3739	10245	TOTAL STUDENTS
36	42	MAJORS
Dr. Mary Grant (2015 - 2017)	Dr. Zhao Han-Jie (2016 - )	PRESIDENT
326	522	FACULTY
500	350	STAFF
826	872	TOTAL EMPLOYEES
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\$20,436 (out of state)	\$1,000 - \$2,500	TUITION (USD)
\$4,041 (in-state)		

## Why the National Dong Hwa University?





#### List of Best Universities in Taiwan, ROC (2016)

According to the study by Global Views Monthly (遠夏雜誌)





#### 2016

#### ■ 最佳大學排名 1~10名

1	國立臺灣大學		
2	國立成功大學		
3	國立清華大學		
4	國立交通大學		
5	國立陽明大學		
6	國立臺灣科技大學		
7	國立政治大學		
8	國立中央大學		
9	臺北醫學大學		
10	長庚大學		

#### ■ 最佳大學排名11~30名

11	國立中山大學	21	淡江大學
12	國立臺灣師範大學	22	國立東華大學
13	中國醫藥大學	23	國立臺灣海洋大學
14	國立臺北科技大學	24	中原大學
15	國立中興大學	25	國立臺北大學
16	高雄醫學大學	26	亞洲大學
17	逢甲大學	27	東海大學
18	國立中正大學	28	元智大學
19	慈濟大學	29	中山醫學大學
20	輔仁大學	30	義守大學

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## 2017

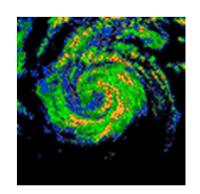
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4	國立交通大學	14	國立政治大學	24	中山醫學大學
5	國立陽明大學	15	高雄醫學大學	25	亞洲大學
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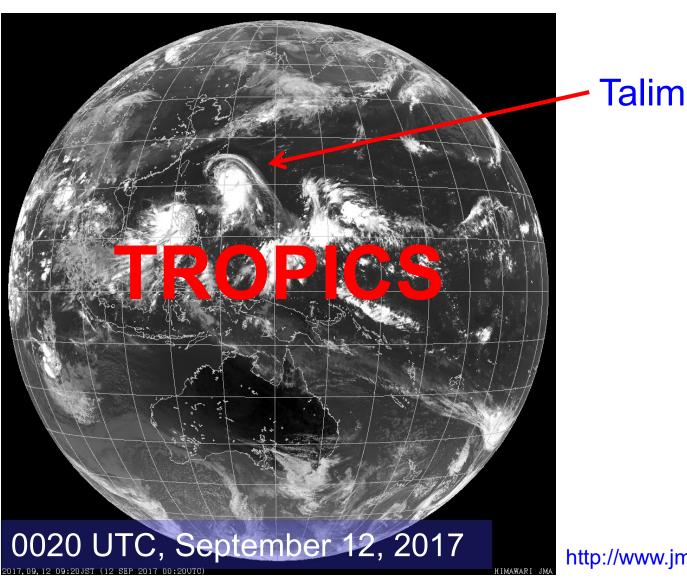


# **Typhoon**

- A strong tropical cyclone
- A cluster of many thunderstorms
- About 500 km wide
- Its sustained Surface wind is > 34 knots (17.5 m/s)
- It has Eye, Eye Wall, and Spiral Rain Bands
- It rotates counterclockwise but clockwise aloft
- It is categorized by Mild (輕度颱風, 34 63 knots),
   Moderate (中度颱風, 64 99 knots),
   Severe (強烈颱風, 100 130 knots), and
   Super (超級颱風, > 130 knots).
   (In the United States, it is called "Hurricane" and categorized by Saffir-Simpson Scale, Categories 1 5)
- It produces Storm Surge, Heavy Rain, Strong Winds, possibly Tornadoes



### A typhoon is a strong tropical cyclone.

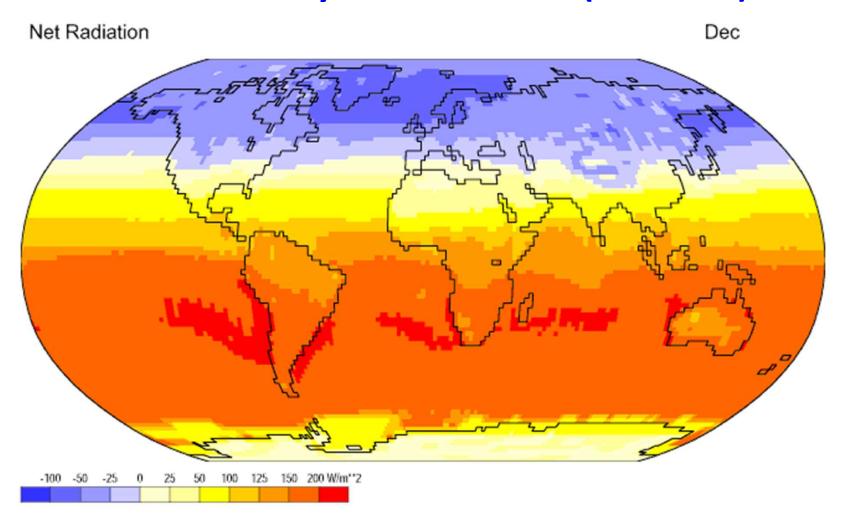


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## Why do tropical cyclones form?

- Part of natural disturbances
- To help transfer energy from the tropics to midlatitudes
- To bring fresh water to the coastal region in summer/fall

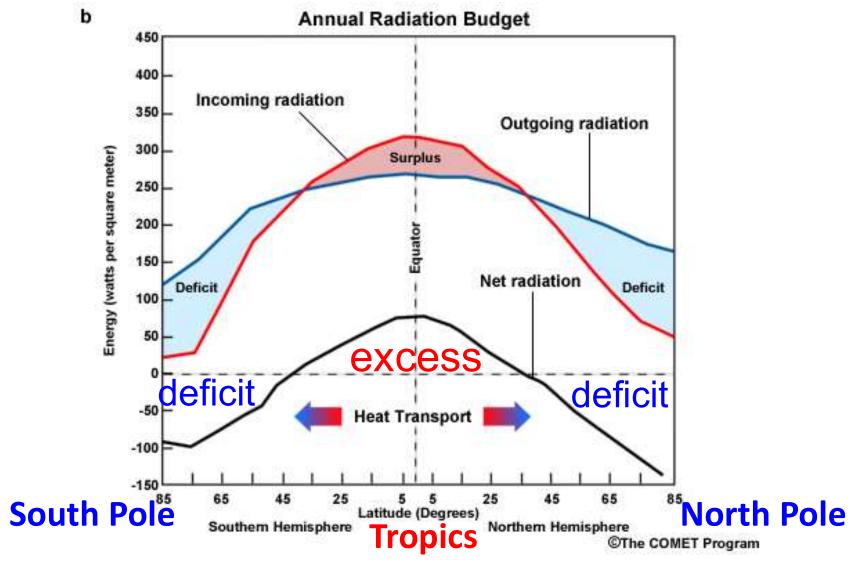
#### **Global Monthly Net Radiation (SW – LW)**



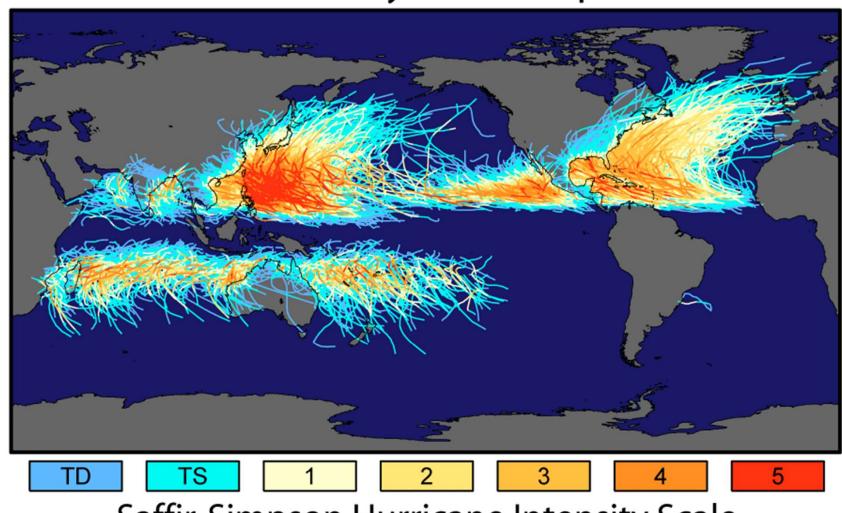
Data: NCEP/NCAR Reanalysis Project, 1959-1997 Climatologies Animation: Department of Geography, University of Oregon, March 2000

http://geography.uoregon.edu/envchange/clim\_animations/animated%20gifs/netrad\_web.gif

#### Latitudinal Radiational Difference



# Where do tropical cyclones form? Tracks and Intensity of All Tropical Storms



Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Intensity Scale

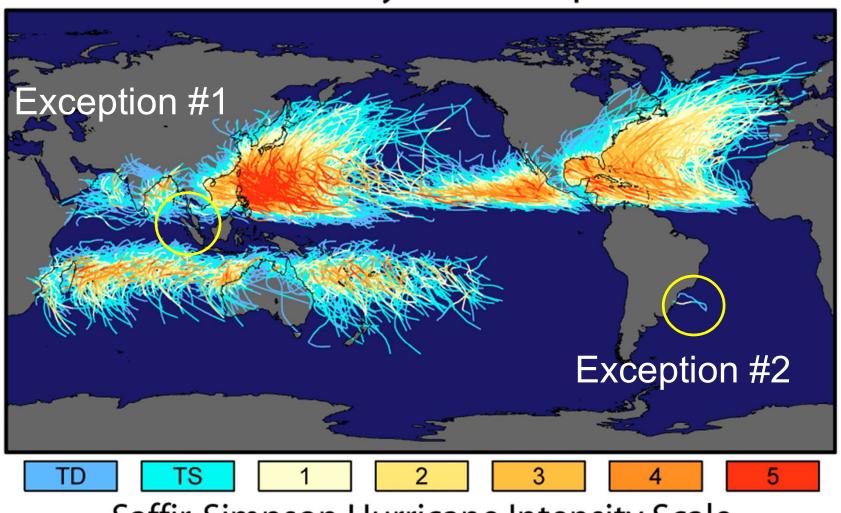
#### How do tropical cyclones form?

- Surface disturbance in the <u>tropical</u> easterly waves or West African Disturbance Line (WADL)
- Over the warm ocean with temperatures warmer than 27°C (80°F,) through the depth of 46 m (150 ft)
- Potentially unstable atmosphere
- Relatively moist in the mid-troposphere
- Beyond 5°S and 5°N latitude belt

   (i.e., 450 km away from the equator)
- Low vertical wind shear at the initial stage
- Supportive upper-level divergence
- They are supported by <u>moisture and heat</u> from underlying oceans

# Where do tropical cyclones form?

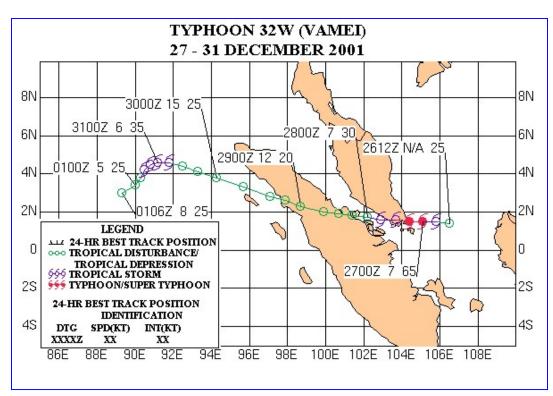
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Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Intensity Scale

#### Exception #1

#### Typhoon Vamei (2001) formed near Equator



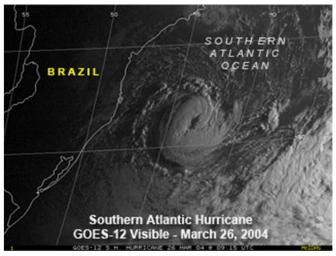


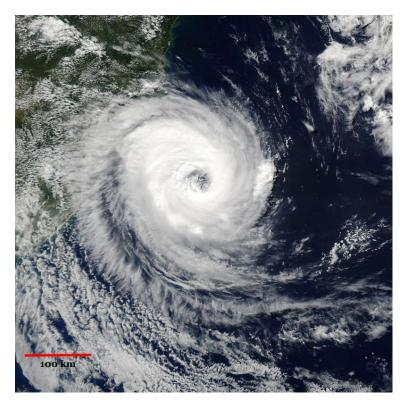
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#### Exception #2

# Hurricane Catarina in the South Atlantic, 24-28 March 2004







\* Clockwise rotation of a Hurricane in the Southern Hemisphere

http://serc.carleton.edu/details/images/10179.html

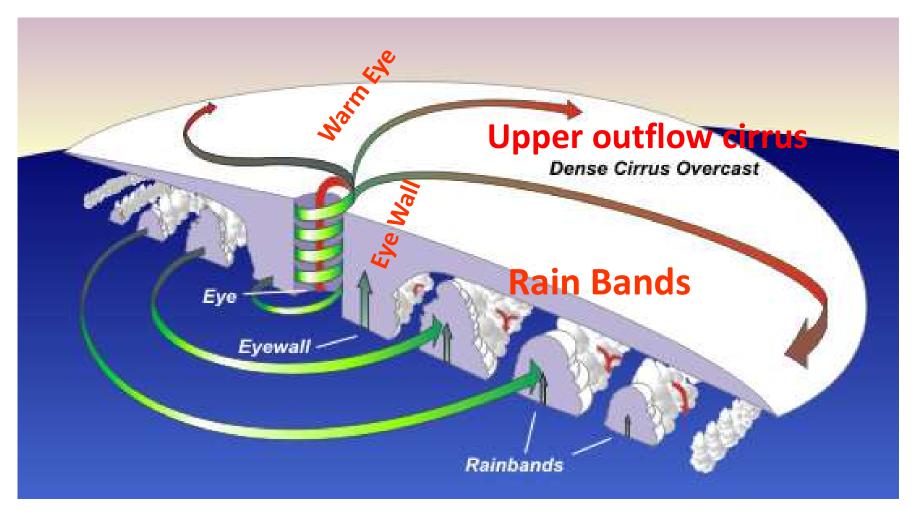
# Scales of Tropical Cyclone Systems

Category	m/s	Beaufort Scale	Central Weather Bureau
TD	12.9 - 17.0	< 7	熱帶性低氣壓 (< 33 knots)
TS	17.5 - 32.4	8 - 11	輕度颱風 Name is given (34-63 knots) Mild
H1	32.9 – 42.2	12 - 15	中度颱風 Moderate (64 - 99 knots)
H2	42.7 – 48.9	12 - 15	中度颱風 Moderate (64 – 99 knots)
H3	49.4 – 57.6	> 16	強烈颱風 <b>Severe</b> (100 - 130 knots)
H4	58.1 – 69.4		超級颱風 Super (>130 knots)
H5	> 70		

## **Tropical Low Pressure Systems**

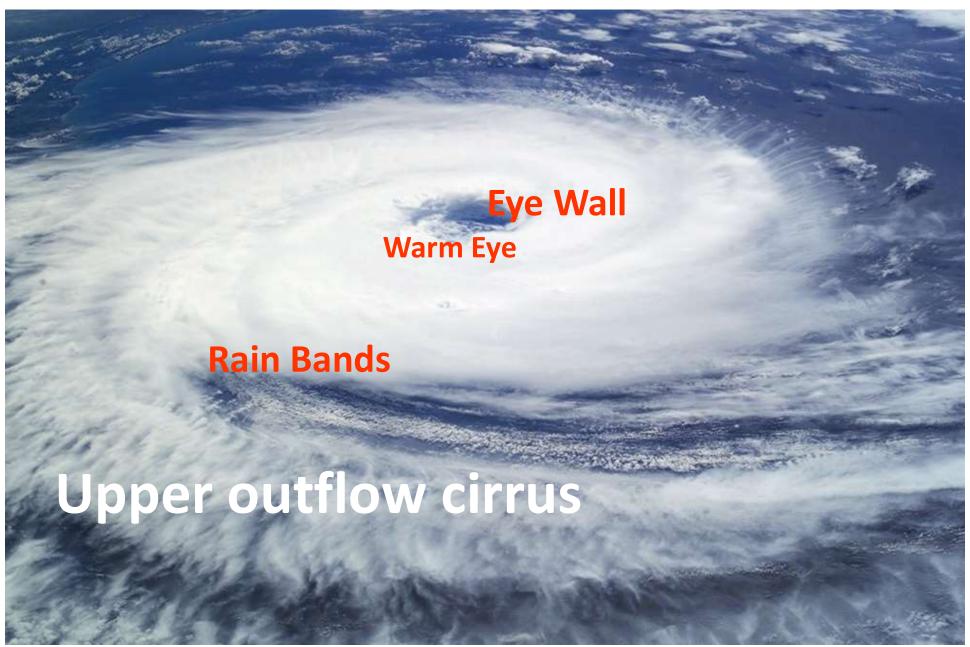


## Structure of a Mature Typhoon



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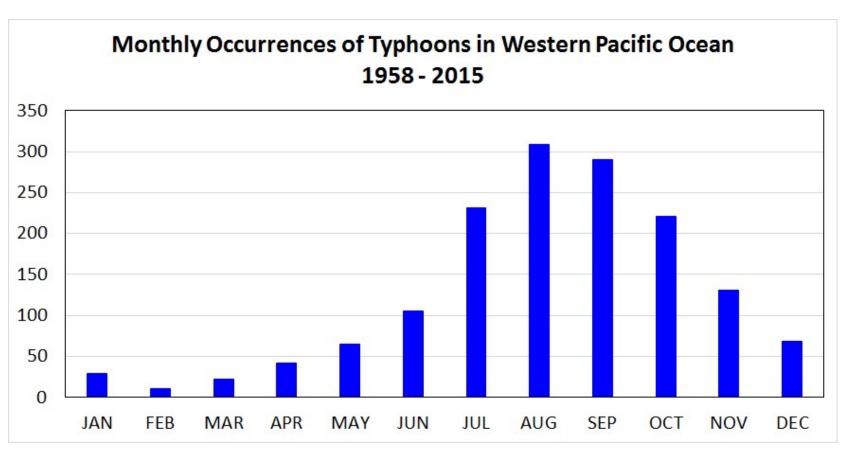
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# Eye of Category 5 Hurricane Irma

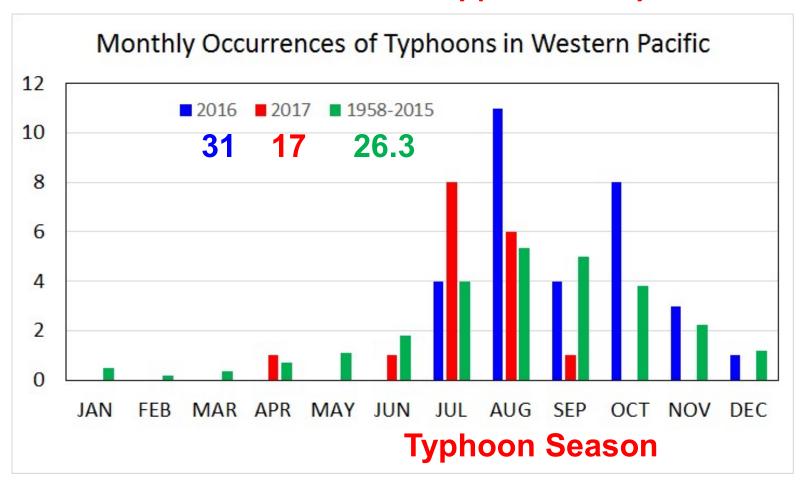


#### When do tropical storms form?



**Typhoon Season** 

#### We are not done with typhoons yet!

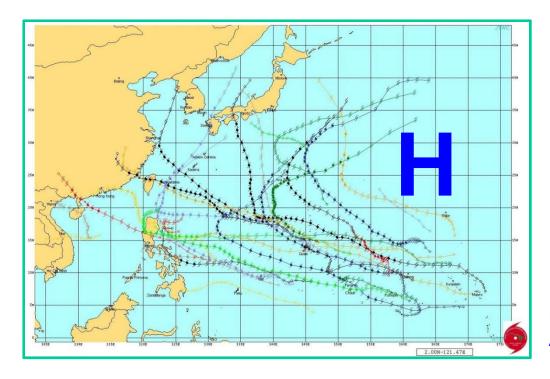


Only One Super Typhoon (> 130 knots) in 2017, Noru, 7/20-8/8/2017!

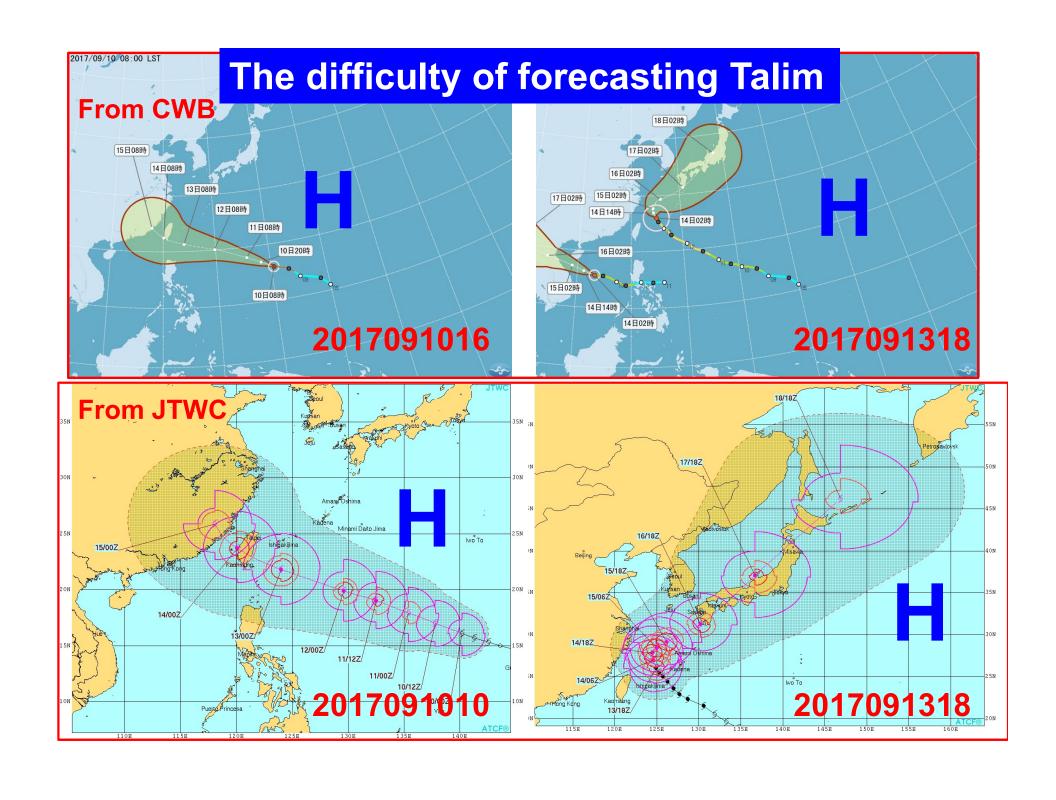
### How do tropical cyclones move?

Although tropical cyclones are powerful and destructive, they don't know where they are going!

They are steered by the <u>high pressure</u> systems!



http://www.doncio.navy.mil/chips/ ArticleDetails.aspx?ID=7444



# How do tropical cyclones weaken? When they

- Move over land
- Move over cold waters
- Have unfavorable upper level wind circulation
- Merge with an extratropical cyclone

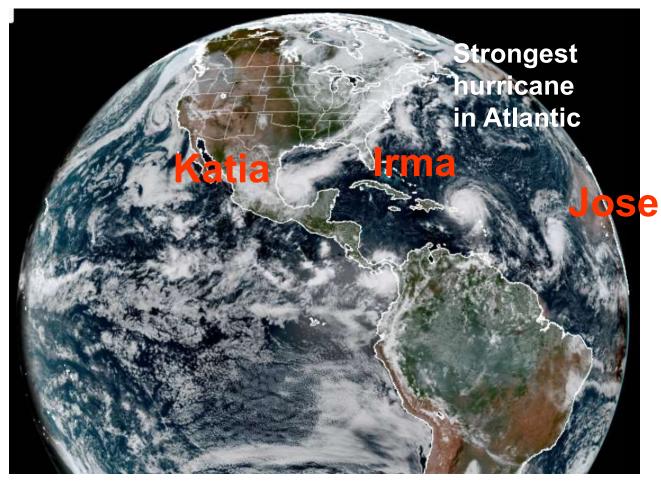


### Names of Western Pacific Tropical storms

List	1		2		3		4		5	
Cambodia	Damrey	Ampil	Kong-rey	Krosa	Nakri	Maysak	Krovanh	Chanthu	Sarika	Nesat
China	Haikui	Wukong	Yutu	Bailu	Fengshen	Haishen	Dujuan	Dianmu	Haima	Haitang
North										
Korea										
(DPRK)	Kirogi	Jongdari	Toraji	Podul	Kalmaegi	Noul	Surigae	Mindulle	Meari	Nalgae
<b>Hong Kong</b>	Kai-tak	Shanshan	Man-yi	Lingling	Fung-wong	Dolphin	Choi-wan	Lionrock	Ma-on	Banyan
Japan	Tembin	Yagi	Usagi	Kajiki	Kammuri	Kujira	Koguma	Kompasu	Tokage	Hato
Laos	Bolaven	Leepi	Pabuk	Faxai	Phanfone	Chan-hom	Champi	Namtheun	Nock-ten	Pakhar
Macau	Sanba	Bebinca	Wutip	Peipah	Vongfong	Linfa	In-fa	Malou	Muifa	Sanvu
Malaysia	Jelawat	Rumbia	Sepat	Tapah	Nuri	Nangka	Cempaka	Meranti	Merbok	Mawar
Micronesia	Ewiniar	Soulik	Mun	Mitag	Sinlaku	Saudel	Nepartak	Rai	Nanmadol	Guchol
<b>Philippines</b>	Maliksi	Cimaron	Danas	Hagibis	Hagupit	Molave	Lupit	Malakas	Talas	Talim
South										
Korea										
(ROK)	Gaemi	Jebi	Nari	Neoguri	Jangmi	Goni	Mirinae	Megi	Noru	Doksuri
Thailand	Prapiroon	Mangkhut	Wipha	Bualoi	Mekkhala	Atsani	Nida	Chaba	Kulap	Khanun
United										
States	Maria	Barijat	Francisco	Matmo	Higos	Etau	Omais	Aere	Roke	Lan
Vietnam	Son-Tinh	Trami	Lekima	Halong	Bavi	Vamco	Conson	Songda	Sonca	Saola

Typhoons are numbered (e.g., the first typhoon in 2017 is numbered as 1701) and named by the names provided by 14 neighboring countries in the Pacific Ocean and South China Sea.

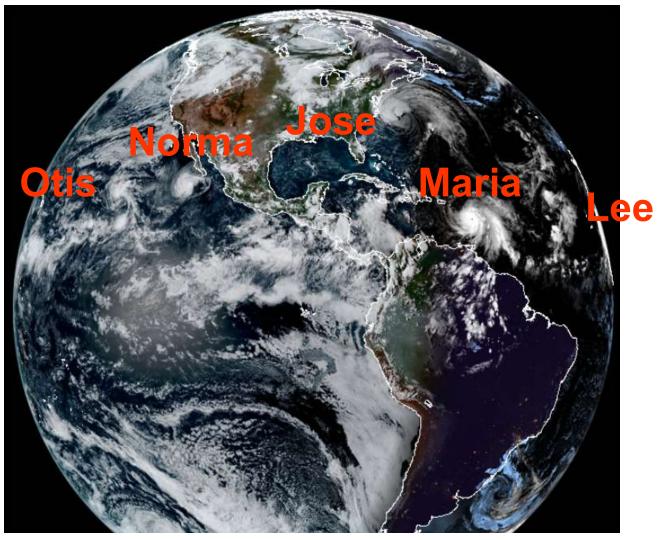
### Are we having more hurricanes/typhoons?



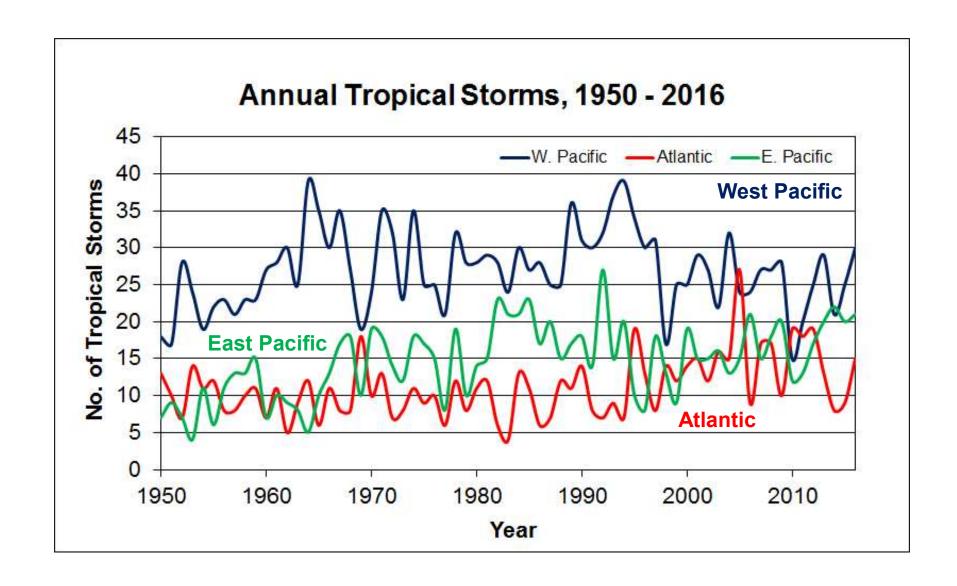
NOAA's GOES-16 satellite image at 2000 UTC, 9/6/2017



### Are we having more hurricanes/typhoons?



NOAA's GOES-16 satellite image at 2145 UTC, 9/18/2017



Are we having more hurricanes/typhoons?



# 交通部中央氣象局104年9月1日修訂之「大雨」及「豪雨」定義如下:

- 1. 大雨(heavy rain): 指24小時累積雨量達80毫米以上, 或時雨量達40毫米以上之降雨現象.
- 2. 豪雨(extremely heavy rain): 指24小時累積雨量達 200毫米以上,或3小時累積雨量達100毫米以上之降 雨現象。
- 3. 大豪雨(torrential rain): 若24小時累積雨量達**350毫米** 以上)。
- 4. 超大豪雨(extremely torrential rain): 24小時累積雨量達500毫米。

### **Power of Typhoons:**

Storm surge, Heavy rain, Flooding, Strong winds.

### **Destructions of Typhoons:**

Flooded infrastructure, Landslides, Debris flow, Interruptions of transportations and communications, Property damages, Loss of life.

### Destructions by Hurricanes









### Hurricane Harvey (2017) Flooded Most of SE Texas

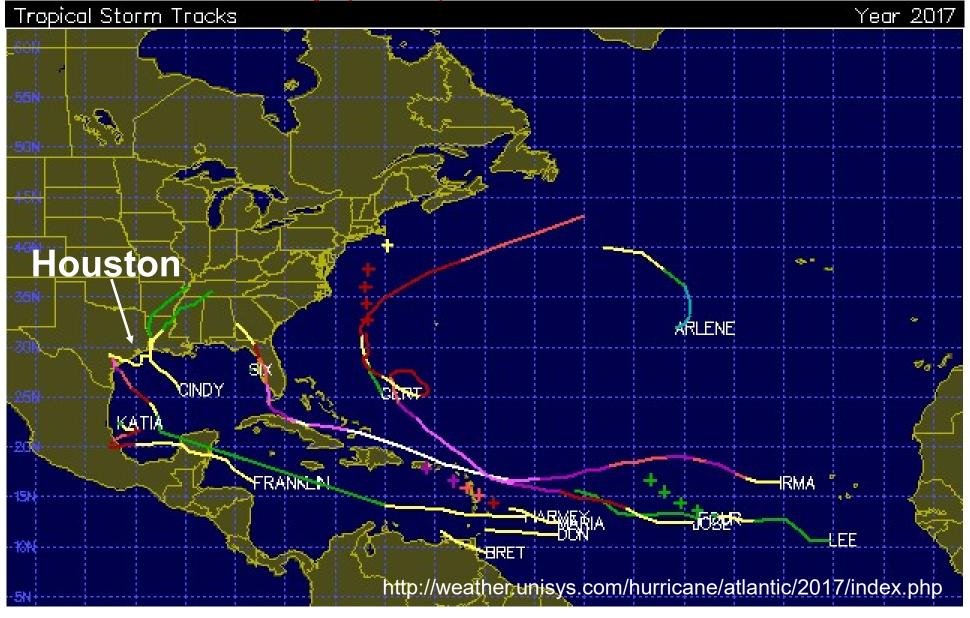


Harvey made landfall to Houston on August 25, 2017

Hurricane Harvey: August 17 – September 1, 2017

http://www.financialexpress.com/world-news/hurricane-harvey-damages-well-below-those-of-katrina-sandy-says-hannover-re/829301/

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### Before and After Hurricane Harvey





### Before and After Hurricane Harvey



http://www.euronews.com/2017/08/29/photos-houston-before-and-after-hurricane-harvey

### Impacts of Harvey

- 33 trillion gallons of water
- Up to 51 inches (1,295 mm) of rain
- 50 counties in Texas were flooded
- 82 people died
- 180 billion USD damages
- 500,000 to 1 million cars were flooded
- 40,000 people need temporary shelters
- Gas price in US has risen
- Chemical price in US will rise
- Transportations are interrupted
- Life will never be the same in Houston, TX

## Hurricane Katrina (2005) Flooded 80% of New Orleans 1,833 deaths, 160 billion USD damages

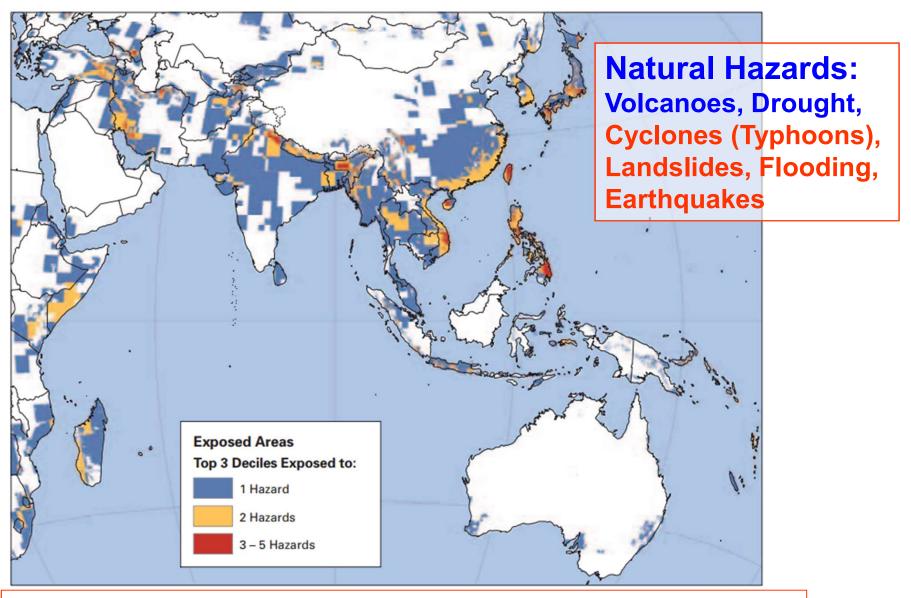




http://www.thegrio.com/slideshow/slideshow-iconic-images-of-hurricane-katrina.php



Figure 5.2. Detailed View of Multihazard Areas b) Asia/Pacific



From Natural Disaster Hotspots: A Global Risk Analysis by the World Bank (2005)

http://documents.worldbank.org/curated/en/621711468175150317/pdf/344230PAPER0Na101officialOuse0only1.pdf

**Table 1.1. Countries Most Exposed to Multiple Hazards** 

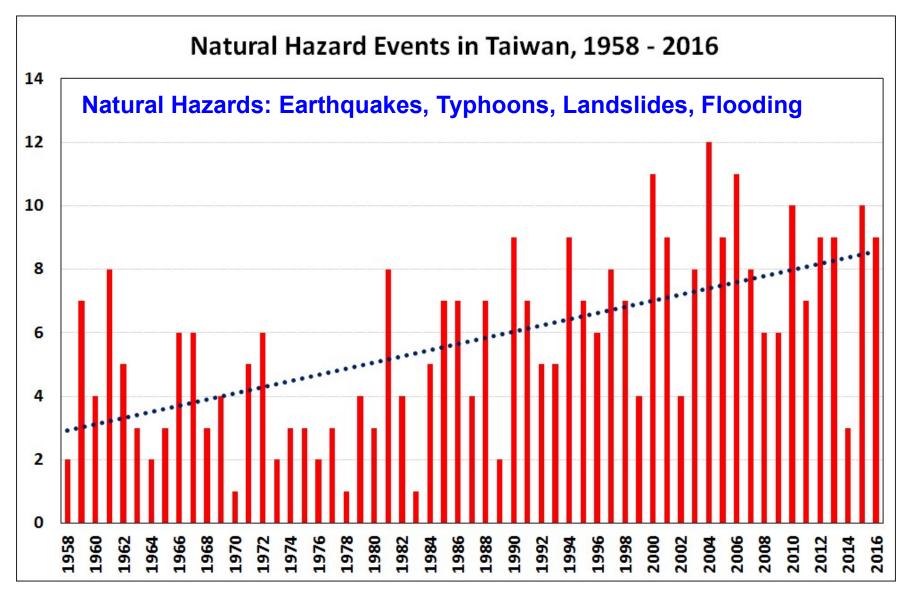
a) Three or more hazards (top 15 based on land area)

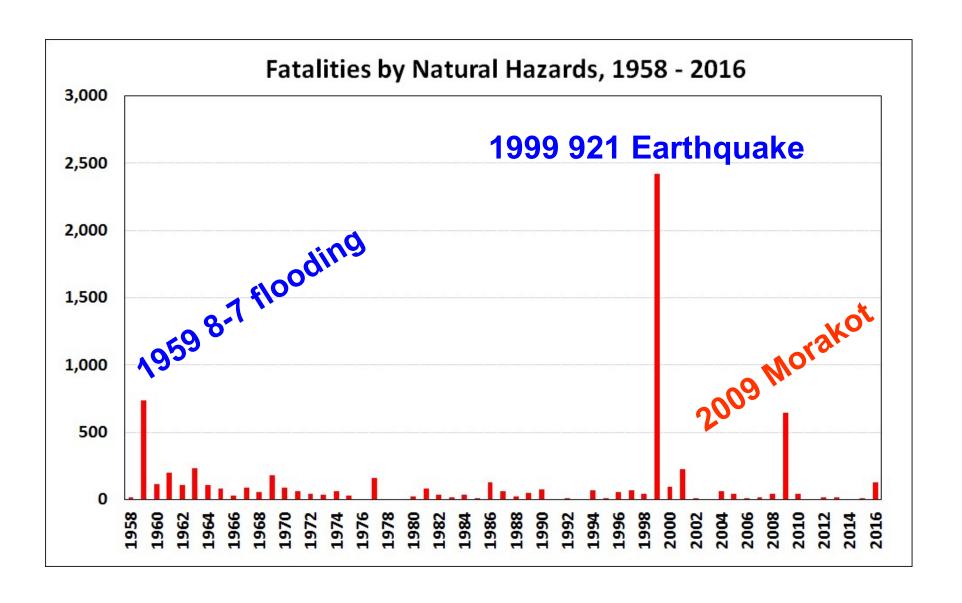
Country	Percent of Total Area Exposed	Percent of Population Exposed	Max. Number of Hazards	Country	Percent of Total Area Exposed	Percent of Population Exposed	Max. Number of Hazards
Taiwan, China	73.1	73.1	4	Vietnam	8.2	5.1	3
Costa Rica	36.8	41.1	4	Solomon Islands	7.0	4.9	3
Vanuatu	28.8	20.5	3	Nepal	5.3	2.6	3
Philippines	22.3	36.4	5	El Salvador	5.1	5.2	3
Guatemala	21.3	40.8	5	Tajikistan	5.0	1.0	3
Ecuador	13.9	23.9	5	Panama	4.4	2.9	3
Chile	12.9	54.0	4	Nicaragua	3.0	22.2	3
Japan	10.5	15.3	4				#

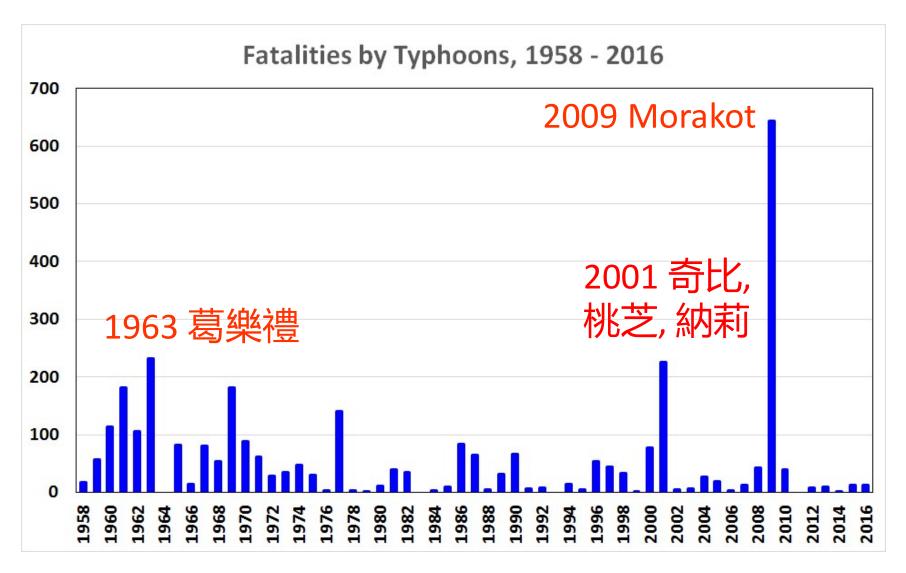
- Taiwan, ROC is at high risk of multiple natural hazards in terms of exposed areas, exposed population, affected GDP, and mortality rate.
- Typhoons have most impacts of all natural hazards.

Natural Hazards: Volcanoes, Drought, Cyclones (Typhoons), Landslides, Flooding, Earthquakes

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Typhoons caused most deaths than any other natural hazards except 1999 earthquake.

# So, how can rainfall by typhoons be predicted from the statistical analysis?

### **Research Objectives**

- To get familiar with the applications of GIS (Geographical Information System);
- To study the rainfall patterns produced by typhoons making landfall in 2007 – 2016; and
- To determine the relationship between the rainfall amounts and the positions of typhoons.

#### **DATA**

- Online monthly, daily, and hourly rainfall data at the staffed weather stations of the Central Weather Bureau of Taiwan, ROC from 2007 2016.
- Typhoon data from NOAA and JMA.

### **Processing Software**

MS Excel 2016 and ESRI ArcGIS 10.5



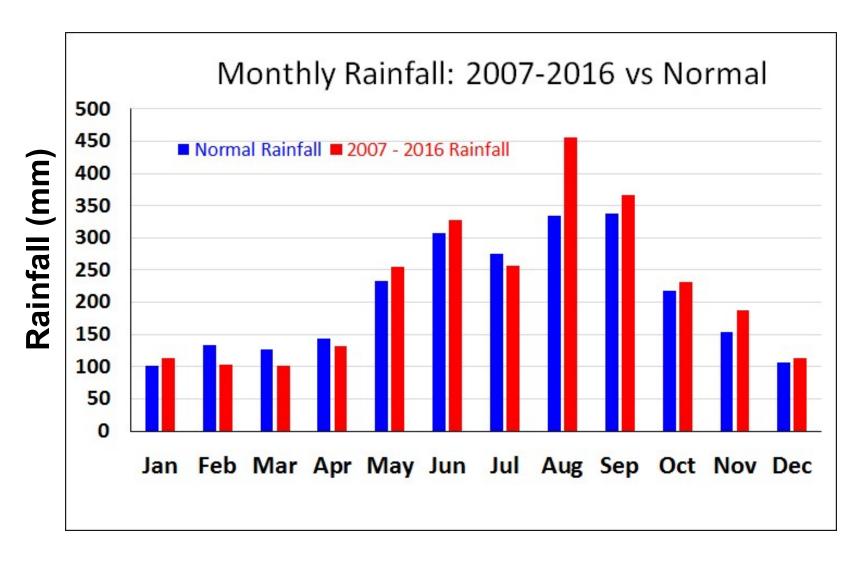


### **Selected CWB Weather Stations**

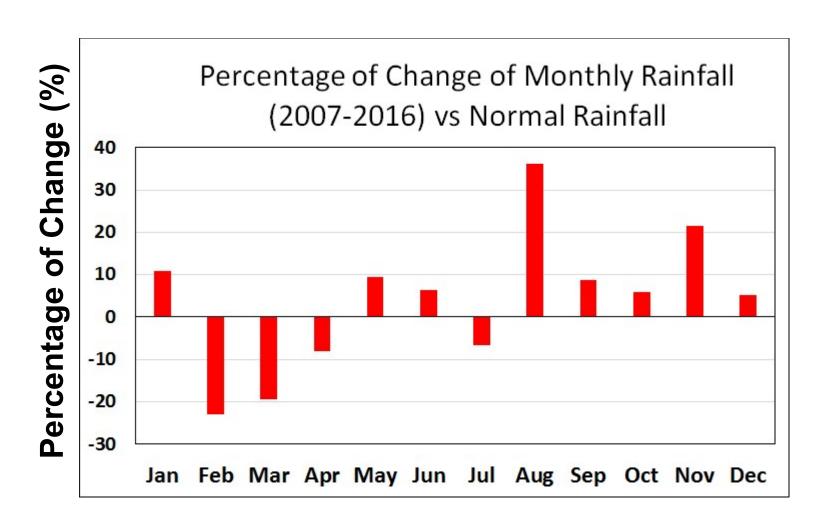




### Rainfall Statistics from 2007 - 2016

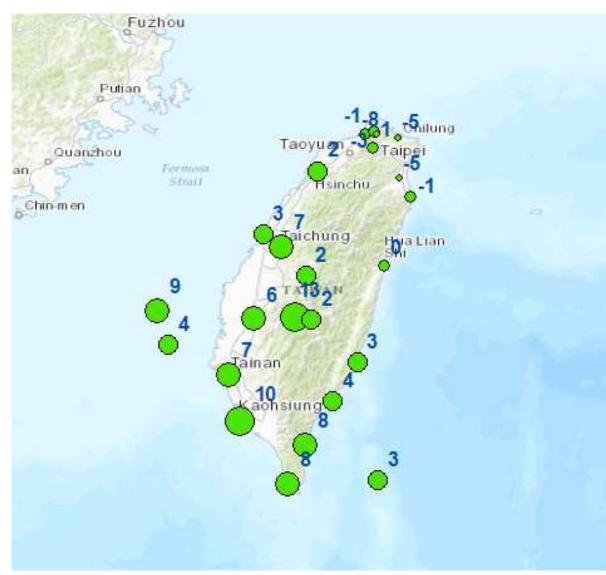


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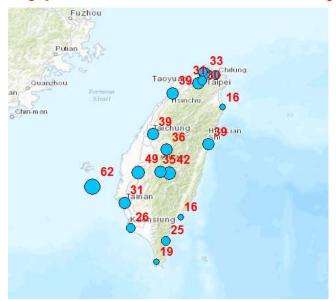


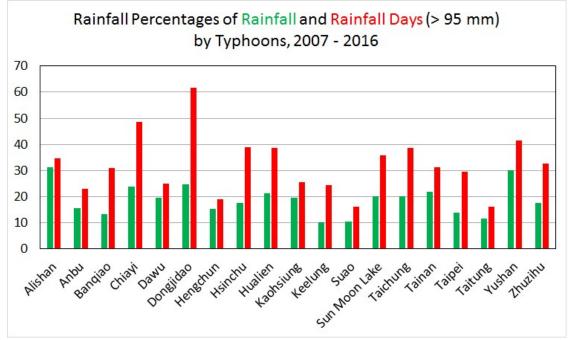
## Percentage of Rainfall Change: 2007 – 2016 vs Normal

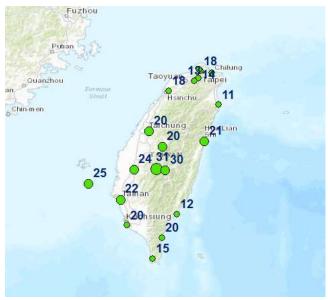
More rain everywhere except NE Taiwan



### Percentage (%) of Heavy Rainfall (> 95 mm) Days by Typhoons / Total Heavy Rainfall Days



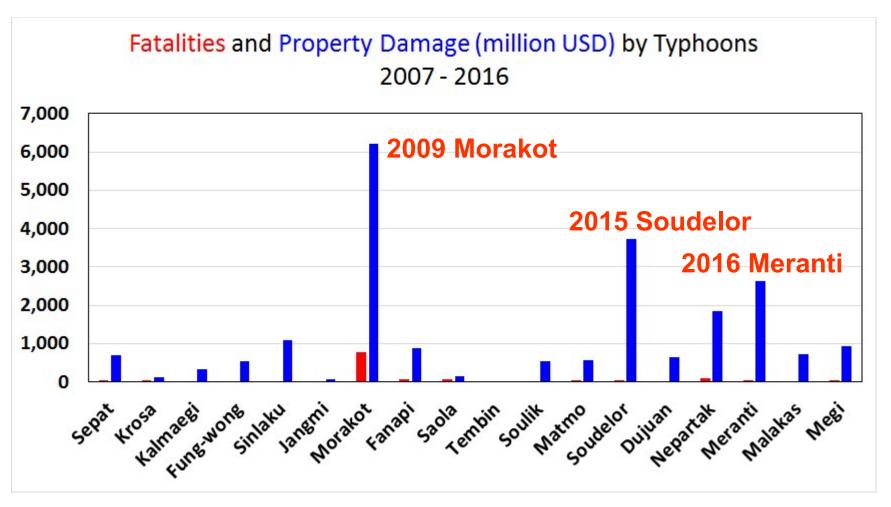


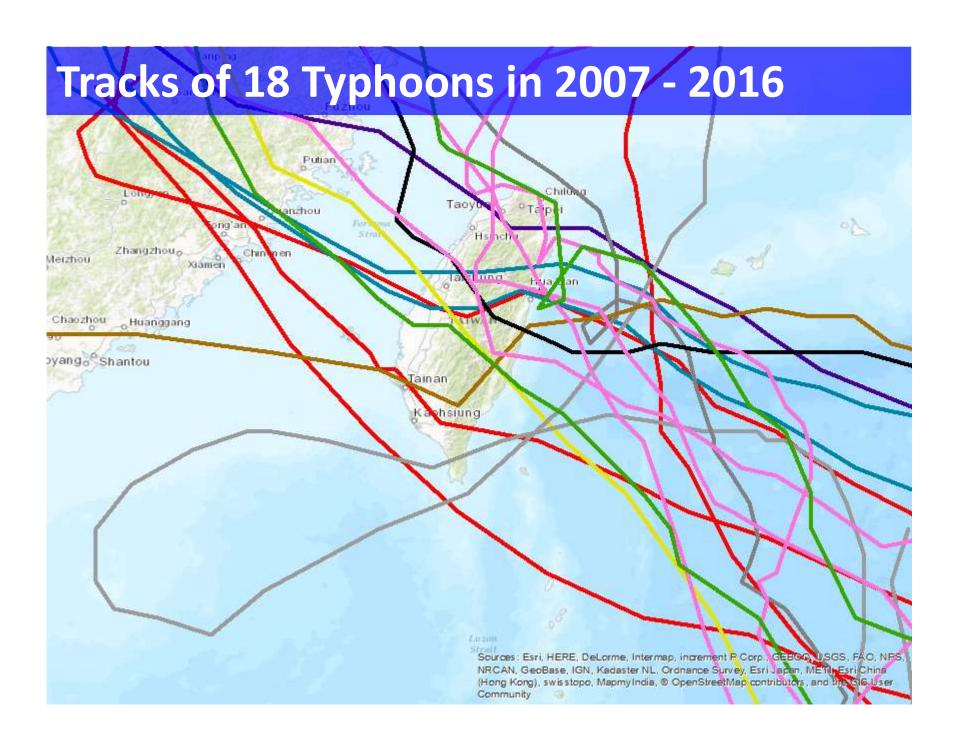


Percentage (%) of Total Rainfall by Typhoons / Total Rainfall

Data are from http://www.cwb.gov.tw/V7e/climate/dailyPrecipitation/dP. htm

## 18 Landfalling Typhoons during 2007 – 2016 were selected for the study

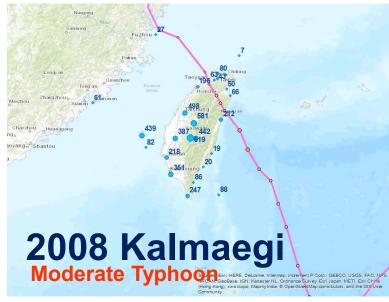




### Rainfall Patterns by Typhoons in 2007 - 2016







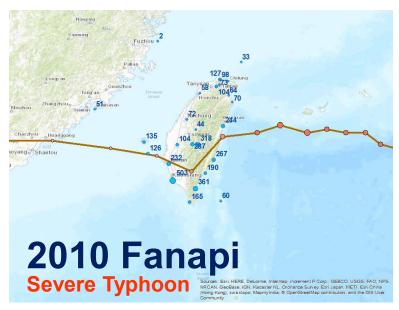


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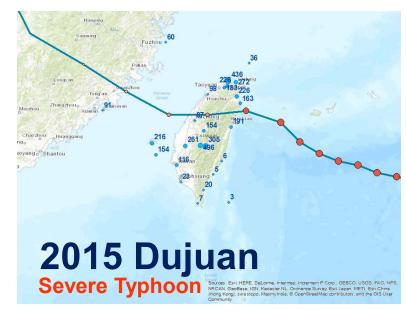




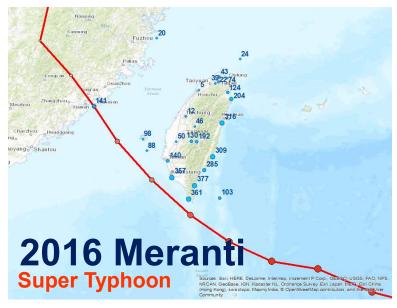


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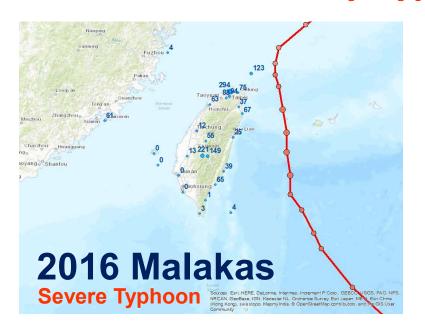


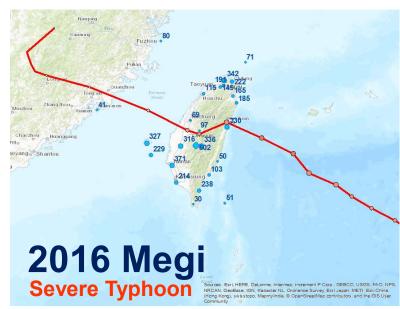






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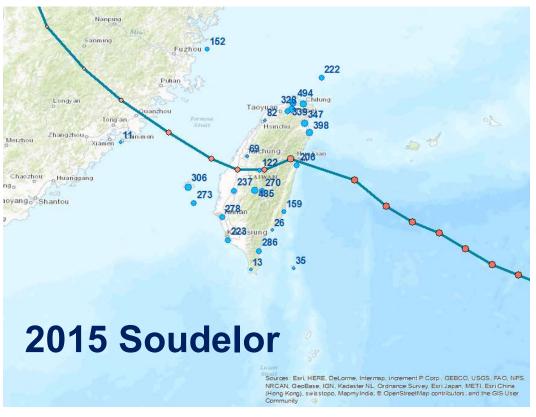


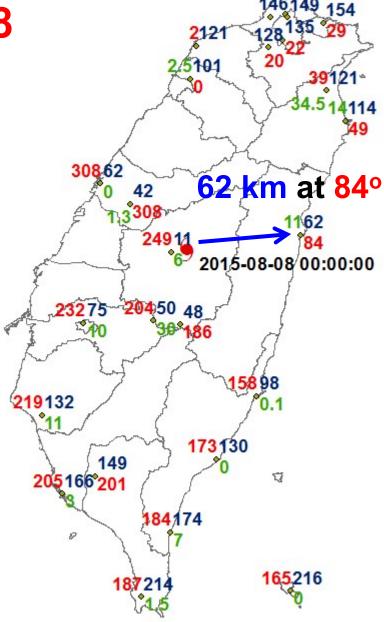
- Slow-moving typhoons cause most destruction and fatalities;
- Due to the counterclockwise circulation of a typhoon, the windward side (the side facing the wind) of mountains receive most precipitation; and
- The Central Mountain Range plays a critical role in producing precipitation.

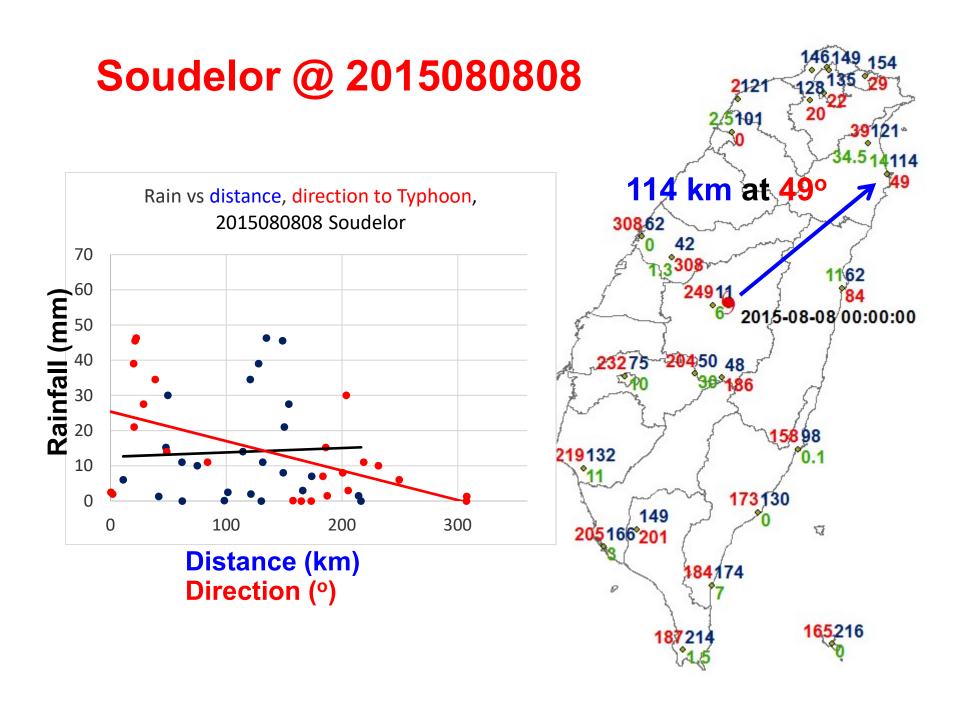
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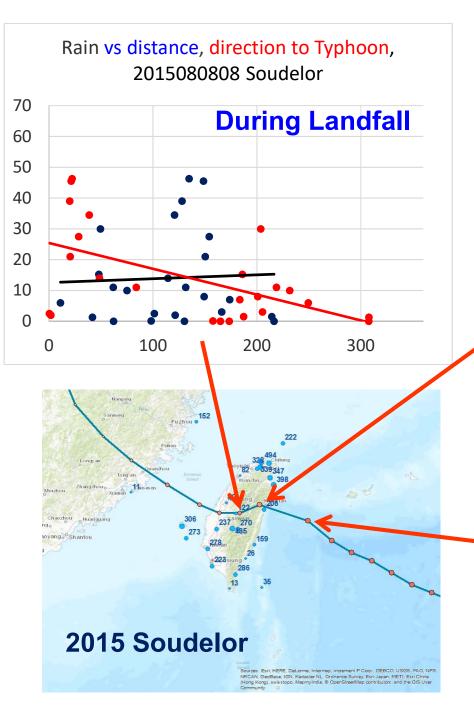
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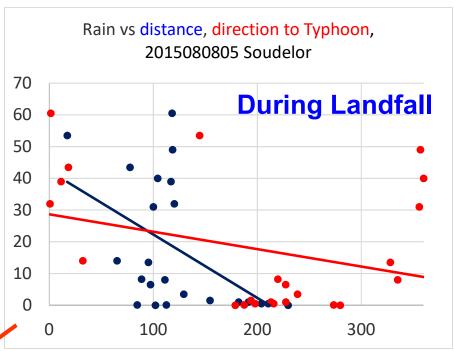
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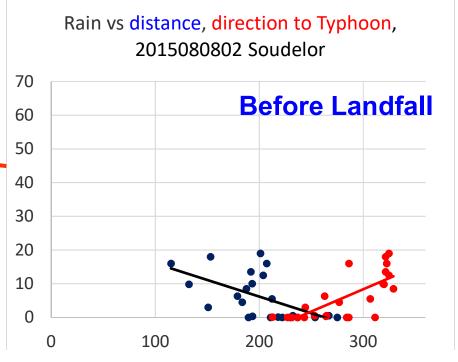


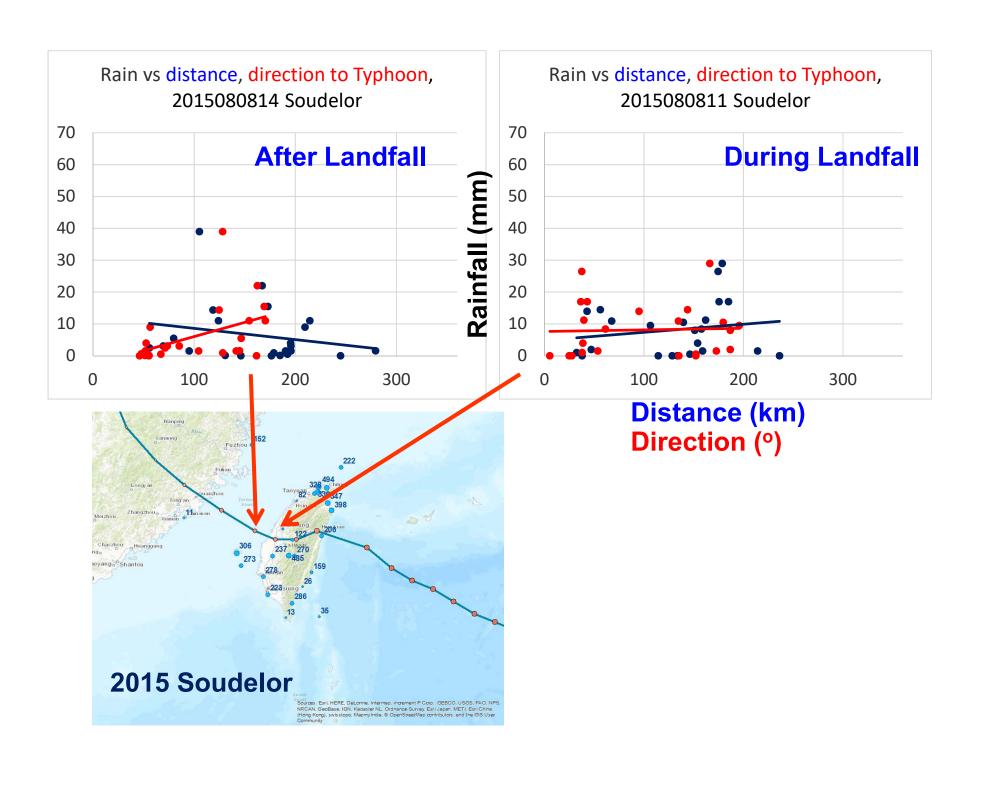


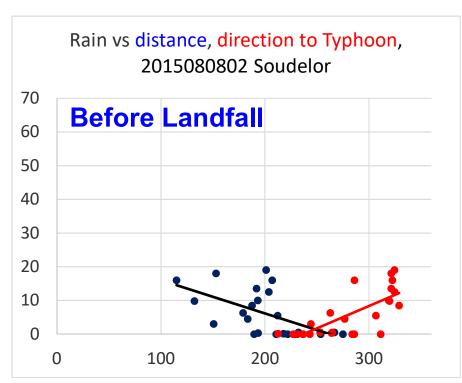


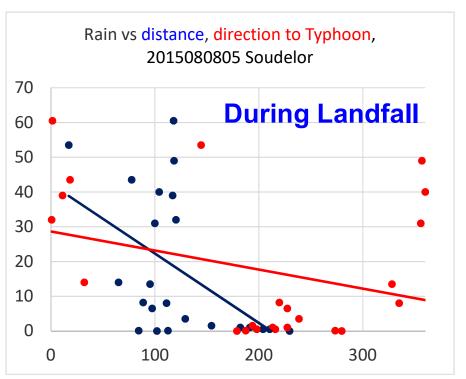


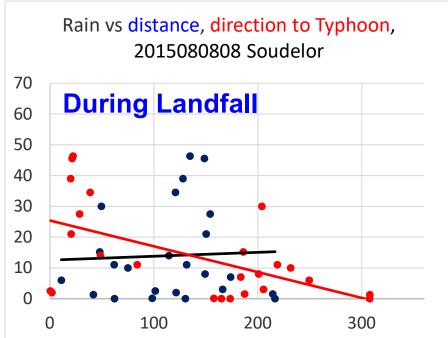


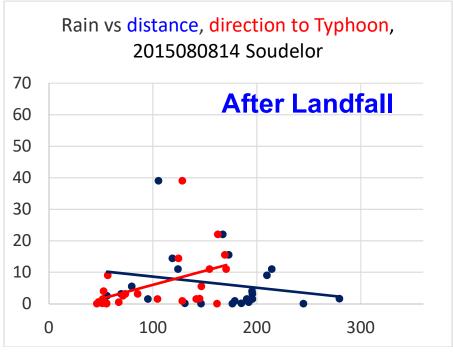


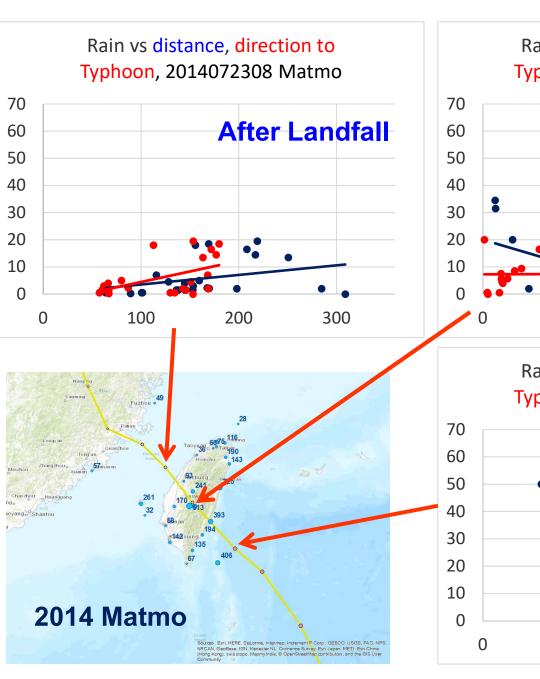


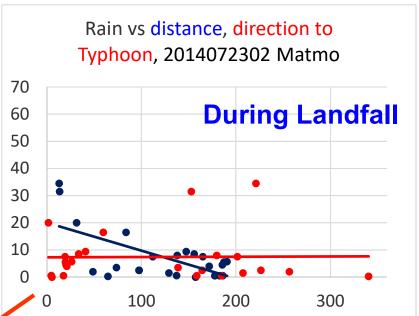


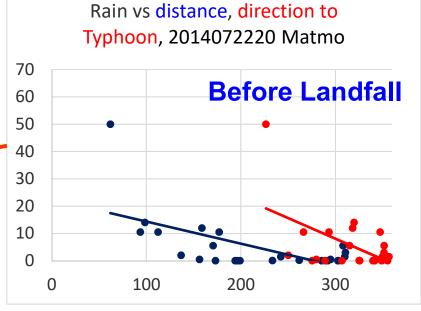


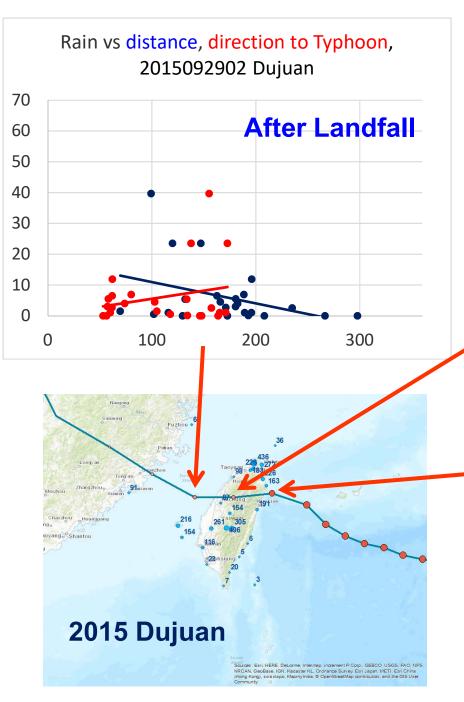


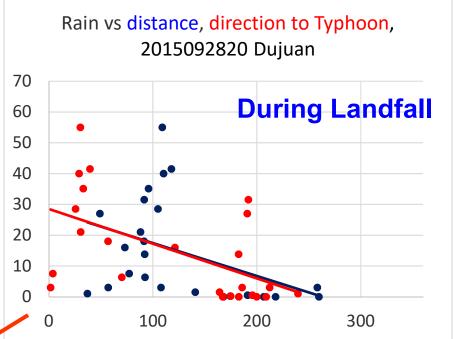


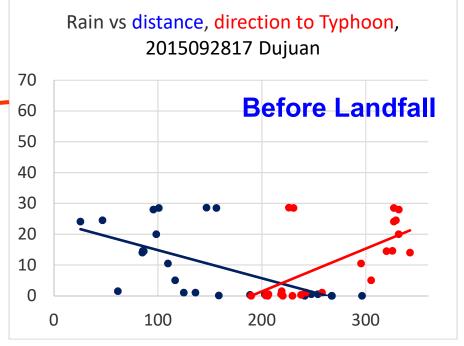














Rainfall at the Station (Y) = Function (location, terrain, geographical features, intensity and moisture content of the typhoon, duration and direction of the typhoon's movement, and relative distance from the center of the typhoon and relative position to the center of the typhoon)

## Hopefully

$$Y = a X_1 + b X_2 + c X_3 + d X_4 + \dots$$

### **Concluding Remarks**

- Everything is complex;
- Typhoons are part of nature and beneficial;
- Climate change may not increase the occurrences of tropical cyclones;
- Slow-moving typhoons cause more damages;
- We need to be proactive in dealing with impacts of typhoons;
- Rainfall patterns caused by Typhoons are influenced greatly by topography;
- GIS is a powerful tool for visualization and spatial analysis.