

# ILC Tunnel compared with the longest Railway Tunnel experienced in Japan

Learning experience from the construction of the  
“Seikan Tunnel” under sea

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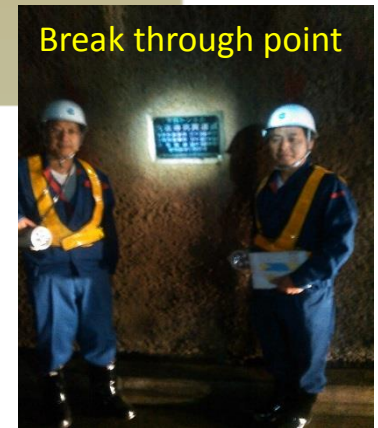
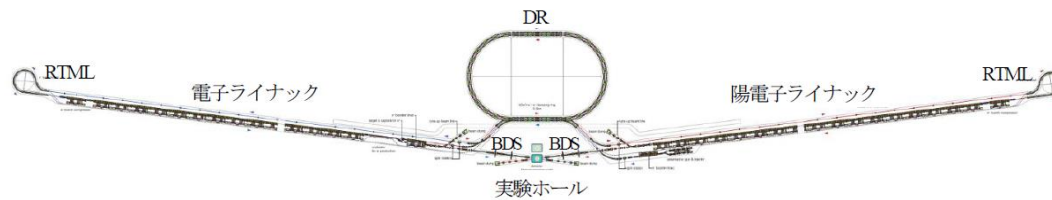
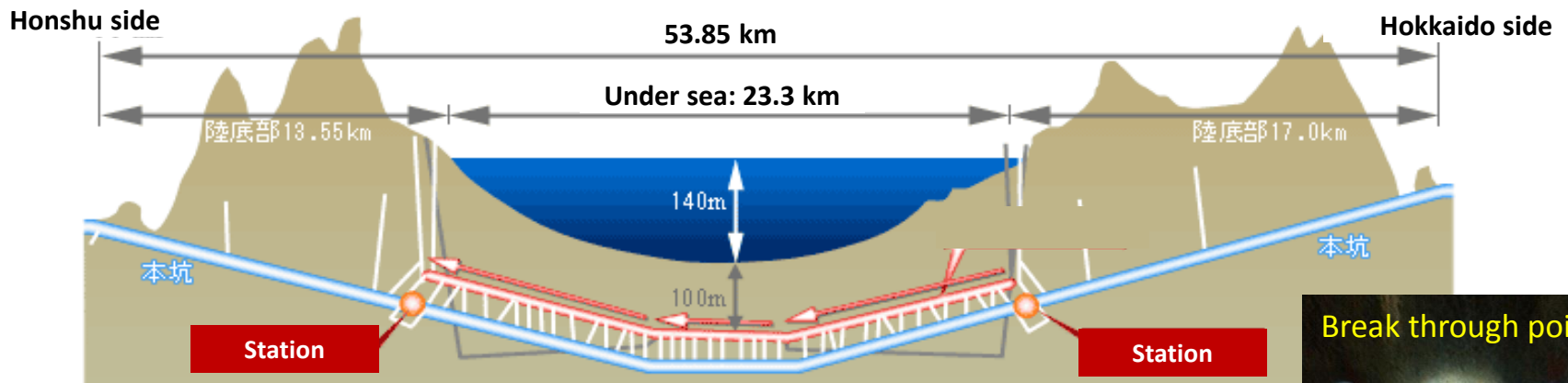
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- 1. Overview of the Seikan-tunnel Project**
- 2. Technical Innovation of the Seikan Tunnel**
- 3. Comparison of the ILC-tunnel & Seikan-tunnel**



# Prologue

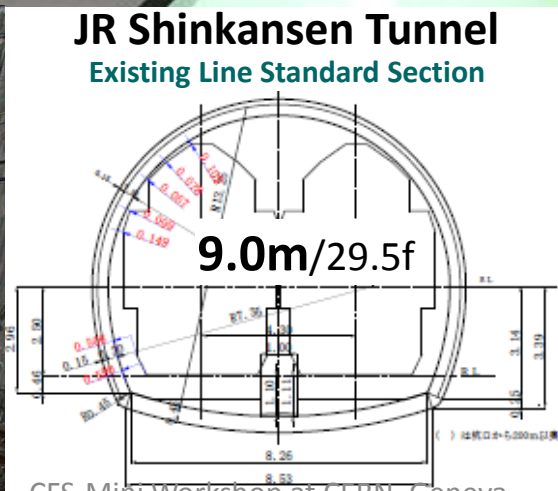
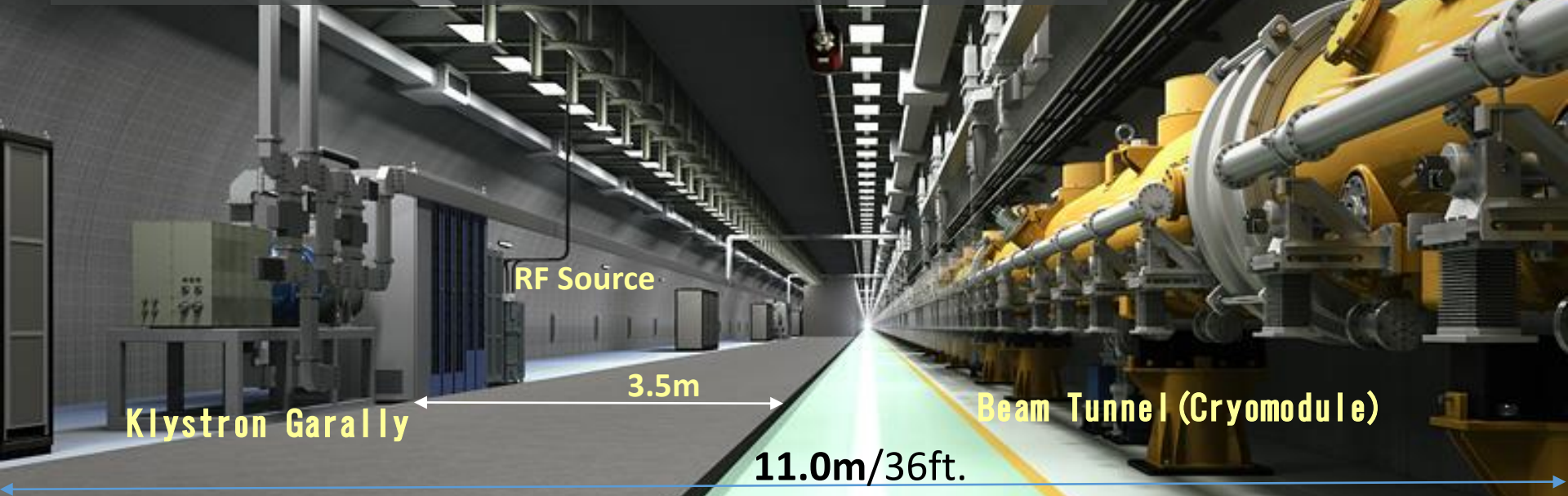
- Akira and I visited the Seikan tunnel 240m under sea on July 7, 2015.
- The main purpose:
  - to study the **Construction Technology** of this unique tunnel.
  - Research of the **Management system** after completion.





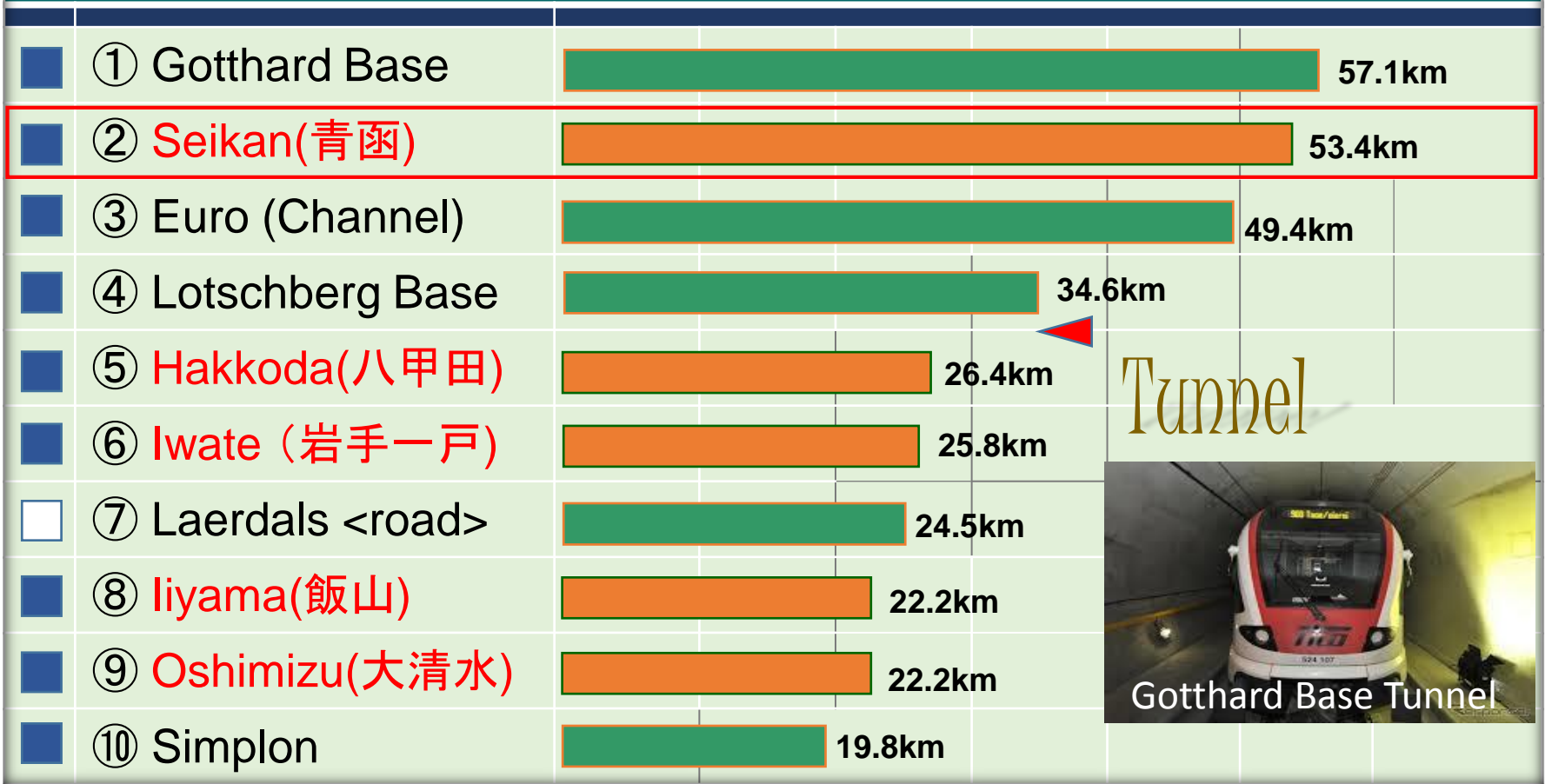
# ILC Main Linac Tunnel

The cross-sectional area of the ILC tunnel is almost the same as the standard of JR Shinkansen tunnel.



# Tunnel Length - World Rankings

: Europe  
 : Japan



Tunnel



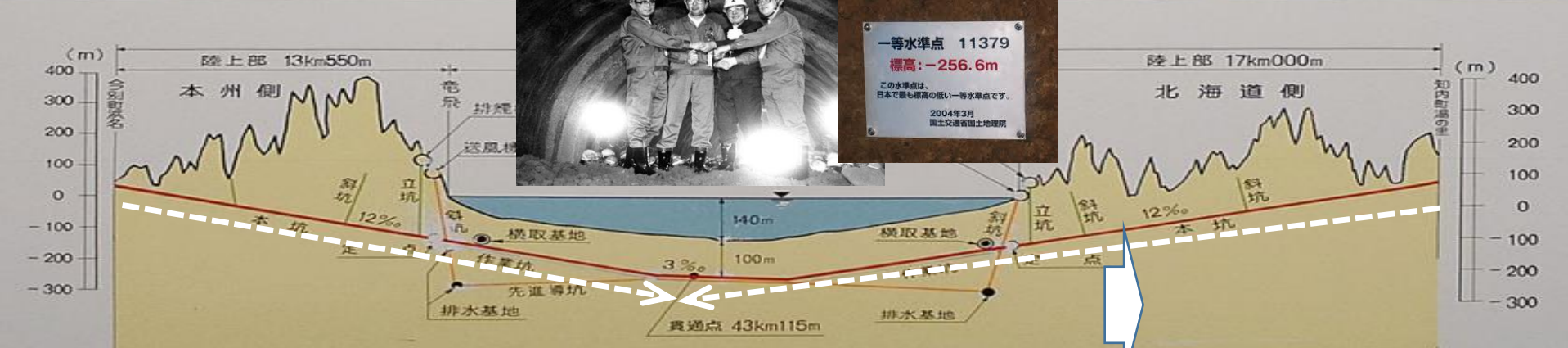


# What we have learned from the construction of the Seikan Tunnel!

Hokkaido Side



Honshu Side



- This project needed 24 years from beginning to completion
- Accidental death under construction: 34 people.



# What we should learn from the project “Seikan-tunnel construction”

## ■ Longest & Deep under sea Tunnel

### ● Total Tunnel Length: **54 km**

- *How to do the survey? Without GPS!*
- *How to do the **Geological survey** under sea?*
- *How to do the tunnel **digging**?*

### ● Under the sea level : **250 m**

- *How to withstand **Water Pressure**?*
- *How to estimate the **Cost & Schedule**?*

# Location of Seikan Tunnel

**Red line:**

**Hokkaido-Shinkansen Construction**  
Sapporo ~ Shin-Aomori (360km)

**Seikan Tunnel Re-construction**

- 2005.4 Project started
- 2016.3 Scheduled to be completed as far as Hakodate
- ? Scheduled to be completed to Sapporo

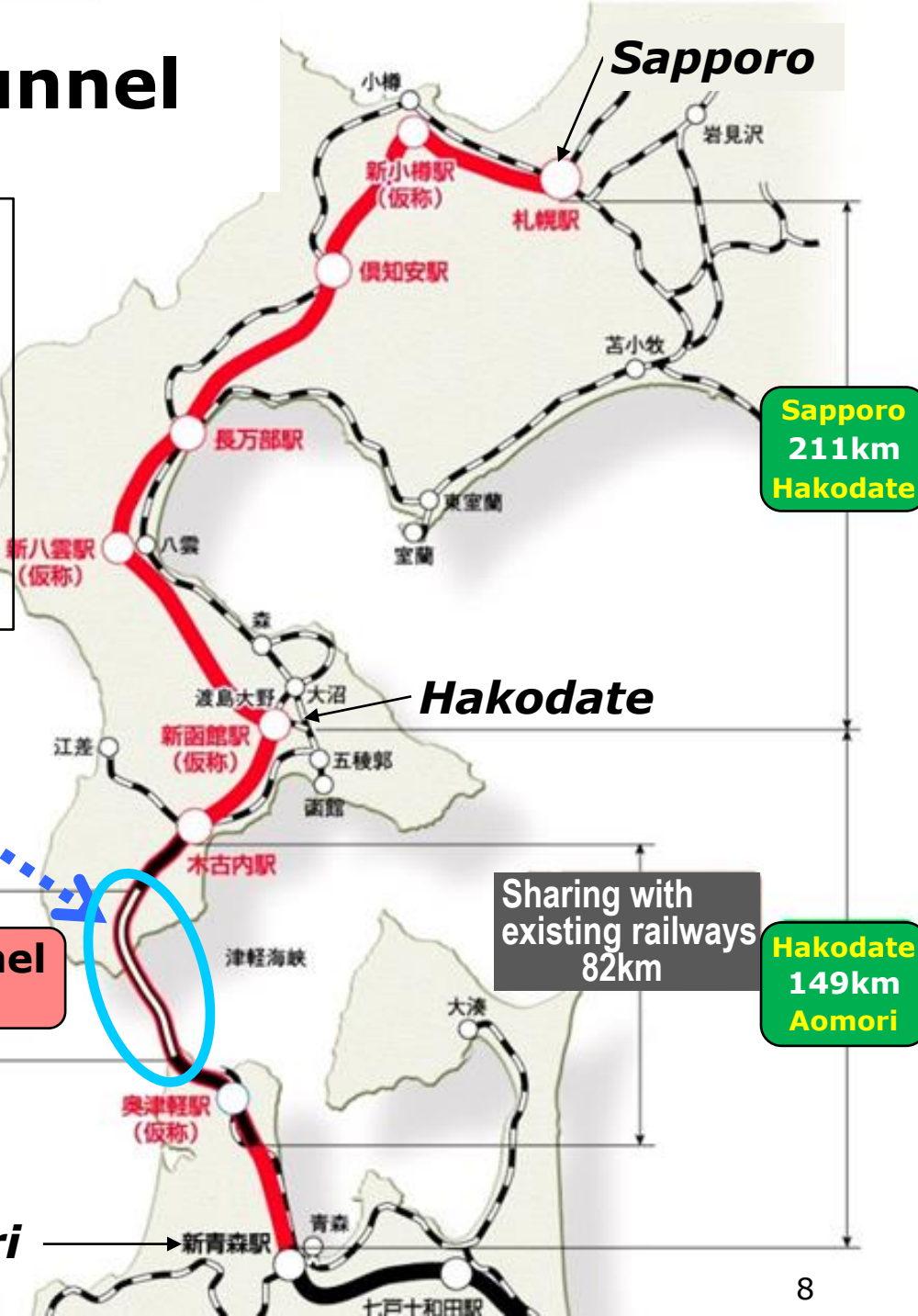


**Seikan Tunnel**  
54km

Sharing with  
existing railways  
82km

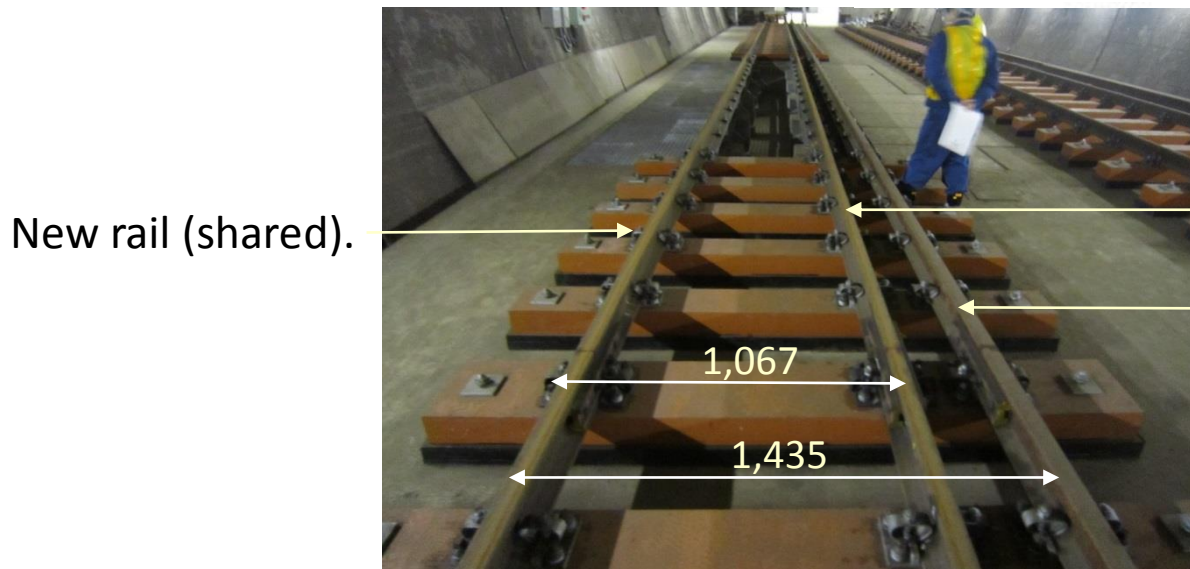
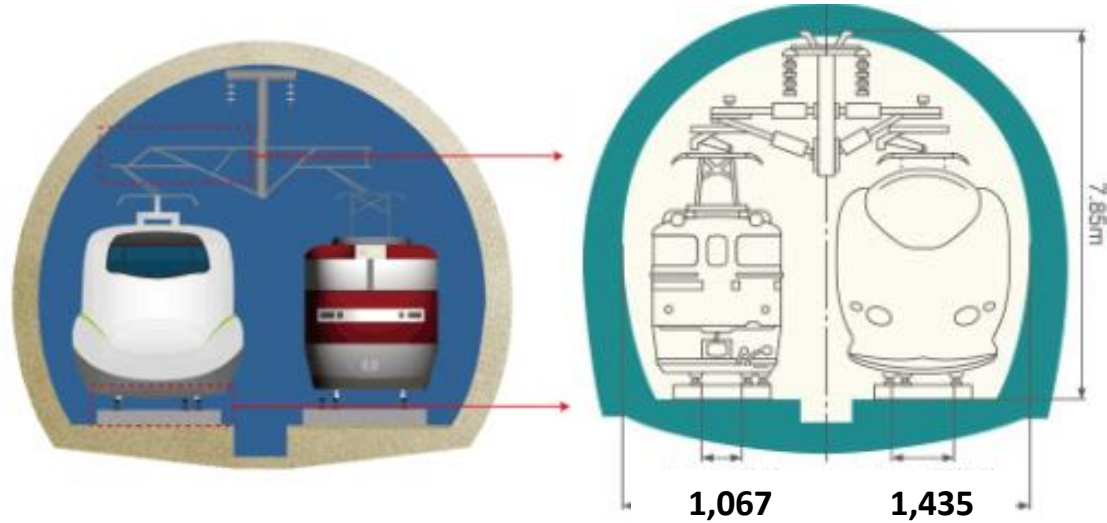
**Hakodate**  
149km  
**Aomori**

**Sapporo**  
211km  
**Hakodate**





# Shared construction of Shinkansen and the conventional line : **3 line tracks**



Old rail  
(existing railway use).

New rail  
(exclusive use).

**Almost finished**



News: 2014.12.07

***The Shinkansen (Bullet train)  
exits the **SEIKAN Tunnel** .***

*This is a test run.  
Will be open in spring next year.*

*Seikan Tunnel Entrance (Honshu side)*



# Project: Seikan Tunnel



## Tsugaru Strait

**Seikan-tunnel**  
Undersea section

### History of Seikan tunnel construction:

- 1964 **Groundbreaking**
- 1983 **Completion of Pilot tunnel**
- 1985 **Completion of Main tunnel**
- 1987 **Total Completion**

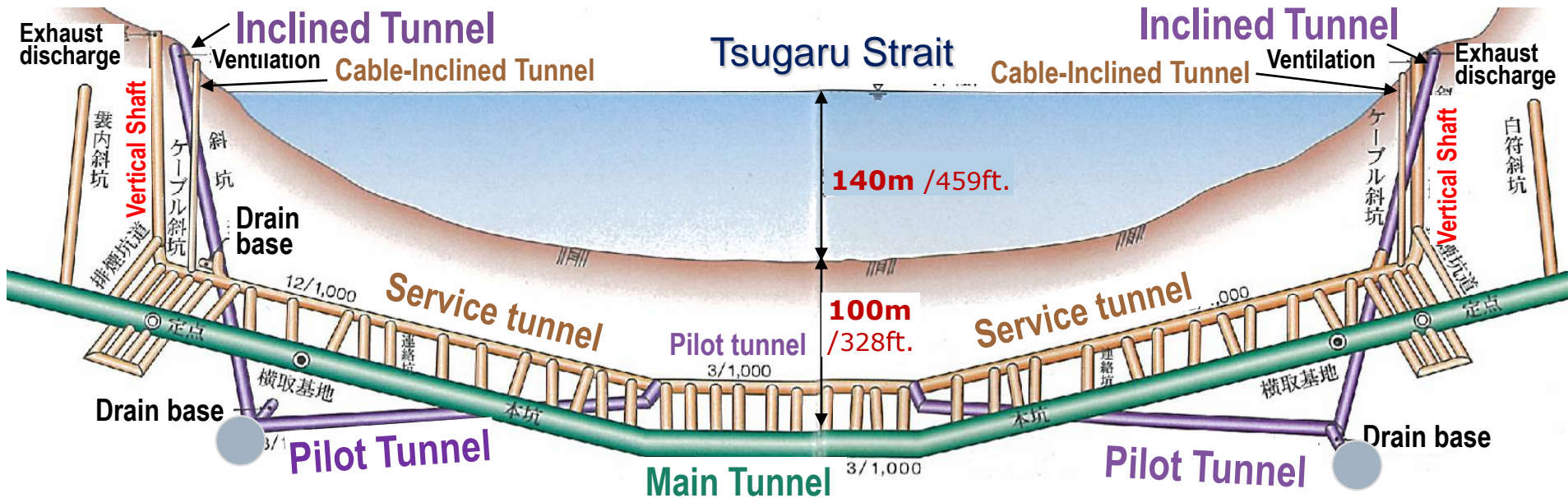
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# Functions of each Tunnel (Current condition)

Honshu side

Hokkaido side



## ■ Inclined tunnel

- Access & Installation
- **Maintenance** machine & materials
- Power Supply
- Air Ventilation
- Groundwater Drainage
- **Passenger Evacuation**

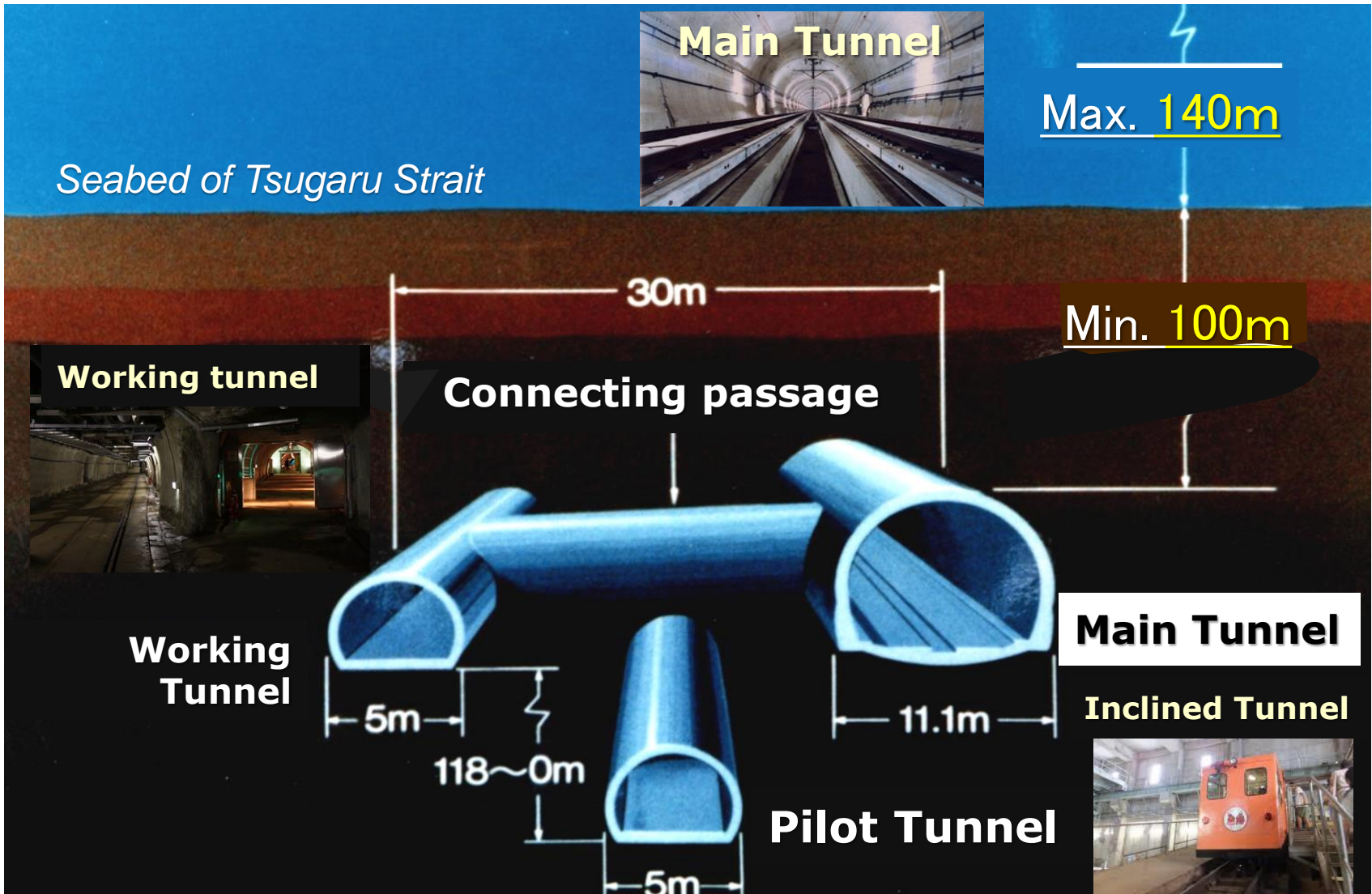
## ■ Pilot & Service tunnel

- Maintenance passage (**Working Vehicle**)
- Air Ventilation
- Groundwater Drainage
- **Passenger Evacuation**

## ■ Main tunnel = **Railway**

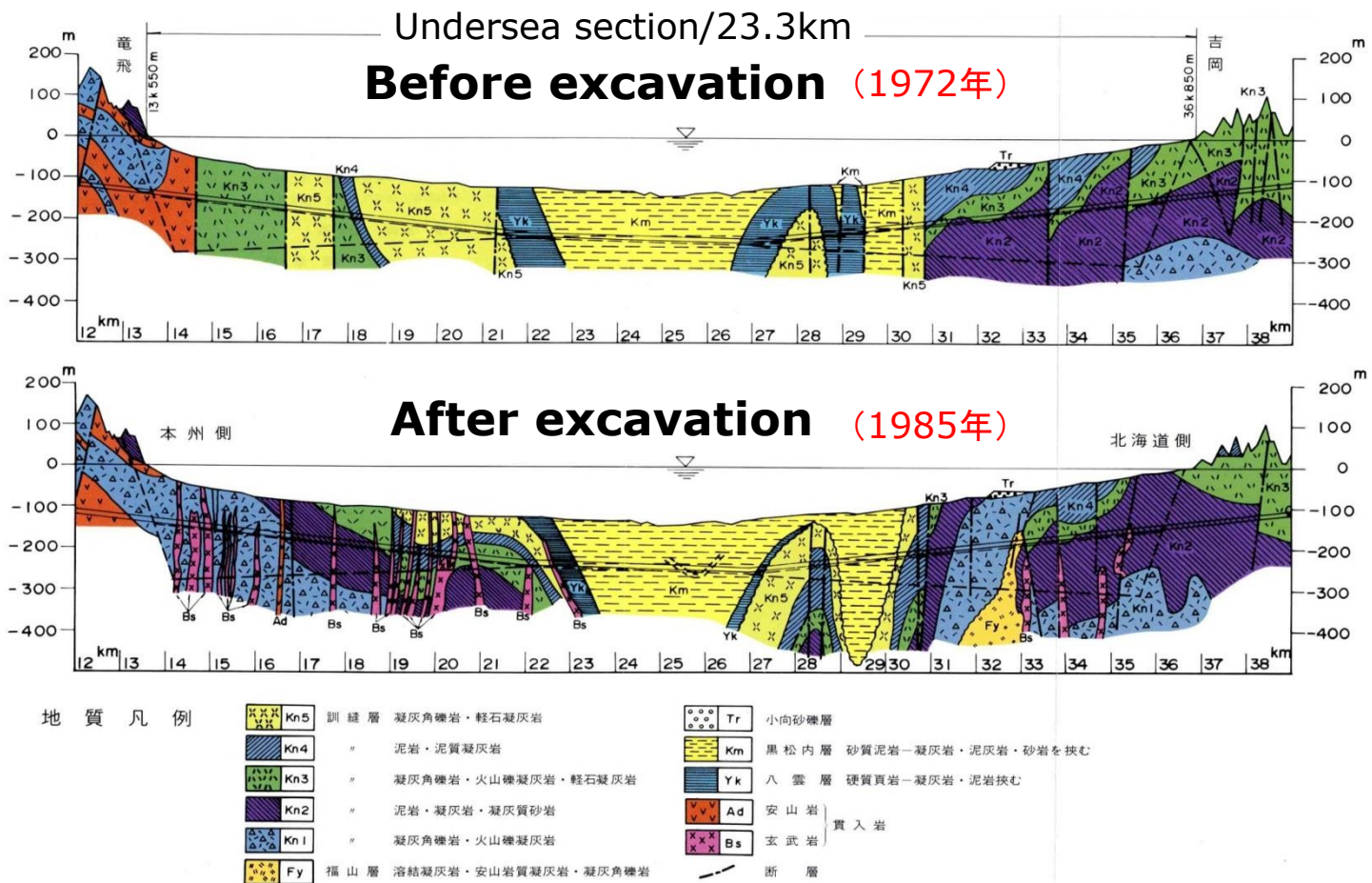
- Existing line & Freight line + **Shinkansen line**

# Cross-Section Image



# Geological Structure

## Geological feature constitution of the Seikan Tunnel



A prior prediction of the geological feature constitution is successful

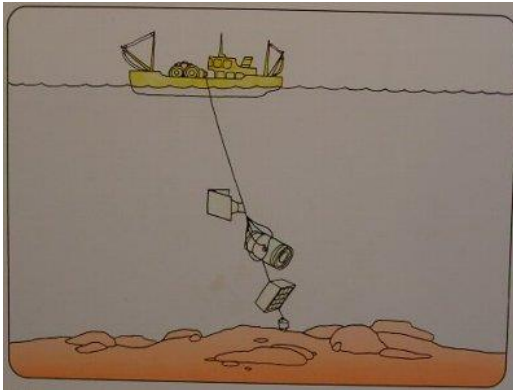


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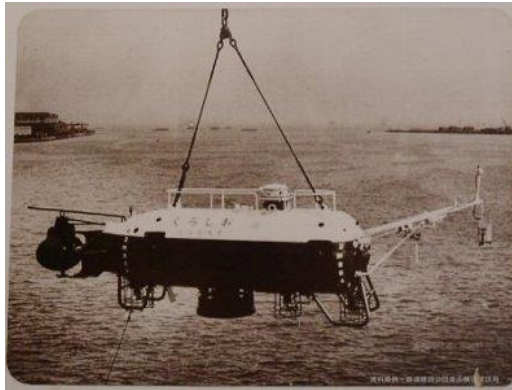
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## ■ Investigation with various technologies

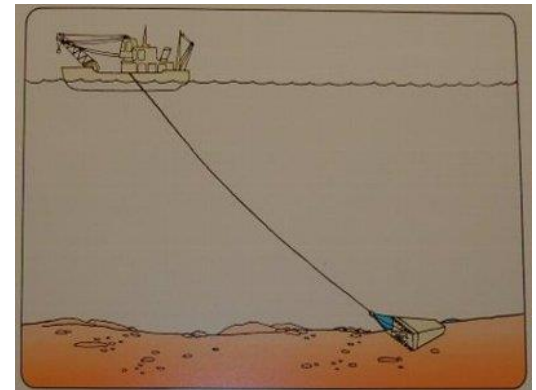
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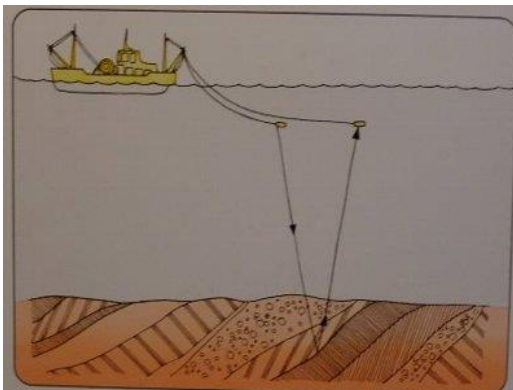
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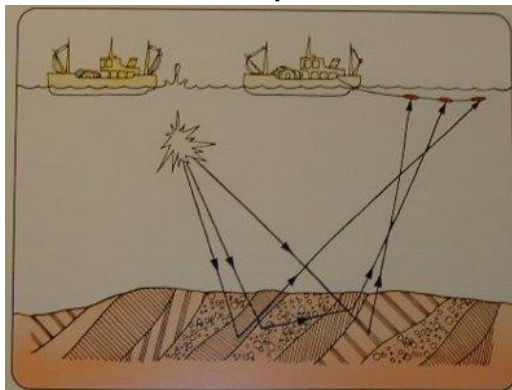
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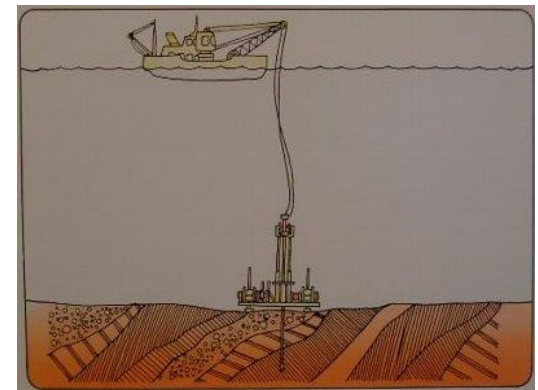
Acoustic detection



Seismic exploration



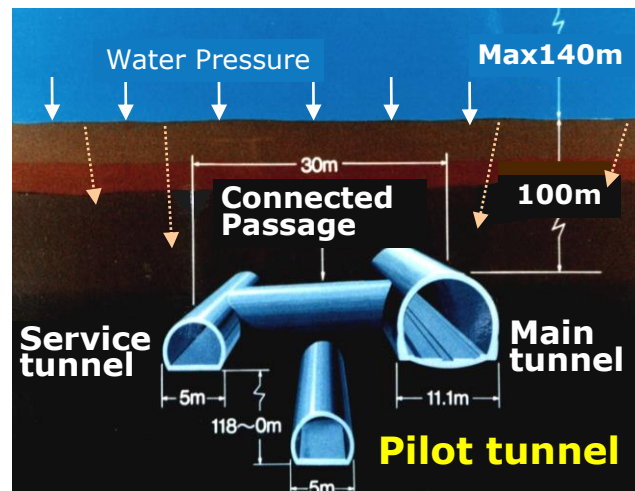
Submerging boring



# Construction Method

## ■ Three major Innovations by Seikan-tunnel

1. **Grouting** (Watertight technology by pre-grouting)
2. **Pilot Boring** (Long scale horizontal boring before excavation)
3. **Shotcrete** (Lining technology by Concrete splaying)



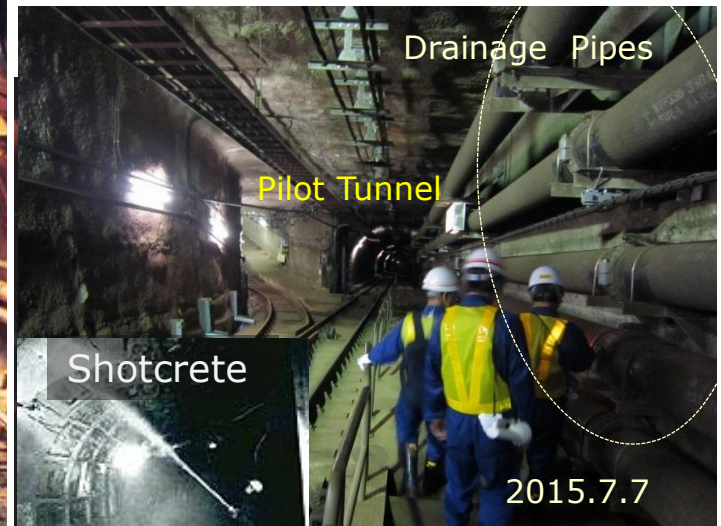
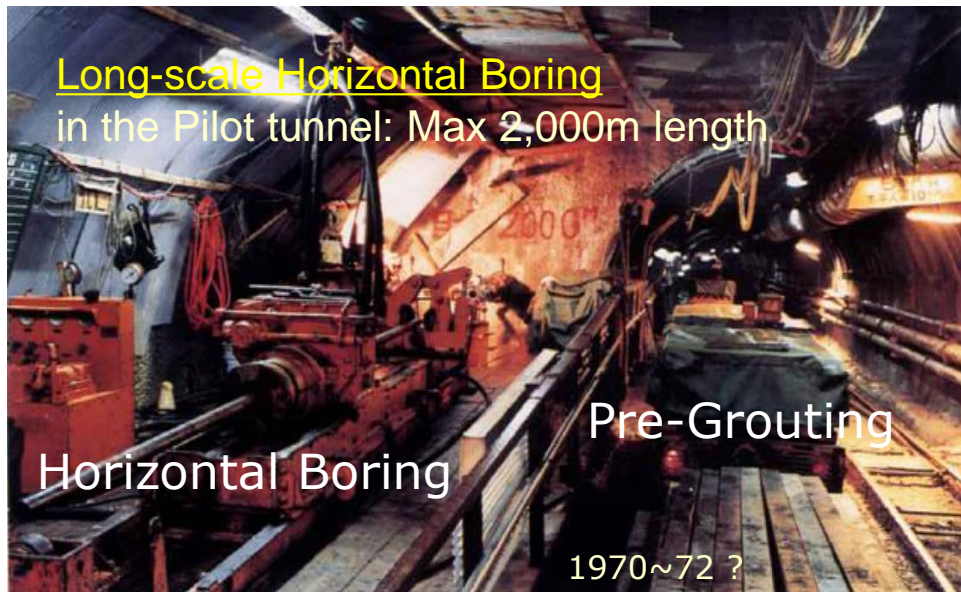
# Construction Method - Pilot Tunnel

## ■ The purpose of Pilot tunnel :

1. Exploration of geological structure  
(**Fault** & Fractured zone)
2. Research of construction technology  
(**Spring water** measures)
3. Estimates of the total **Construction cost** & **schedule**



Abandon  
the **TBM method**



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# ILC Tunnel compared with Seikan Tunnel

## Common Points : mainly Civil Engineering

- Project Scale: Tunnel Length & Cross-section
- Tunneling Method: Mountain Tunneling Method (NATM)
- Alignment precision: Special Survey
- Maintenance after completion: Service life more than 50 years

## Different Points : mainly Incident Facilities

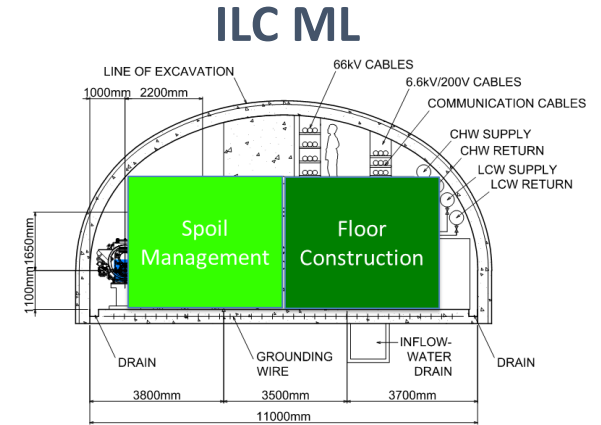
- Tunnel Linearity: ILC tunnel needs strict linear geometry.
- Infrastructures & Incidental Facilities for ILC:
  - High Power Supply ● Cooling water system ● HVAC system
  - Radiation Control ● Cryogenics system

# ... Construction Process of NATM ...

## Blast& Drilling



## Macking



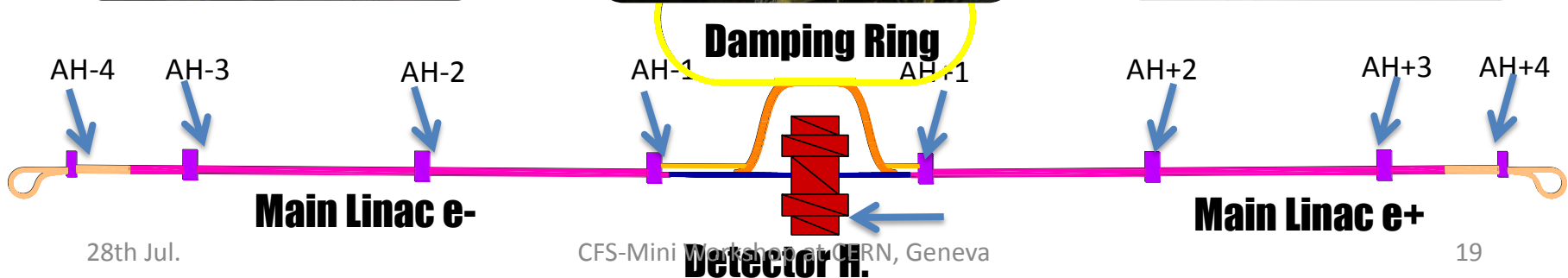
## Shotcrete



## Rock-bolt



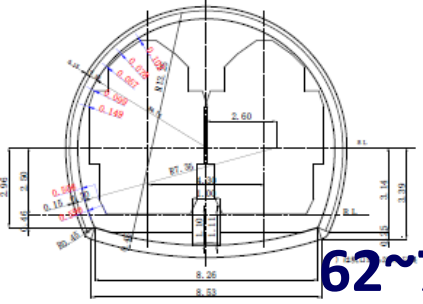
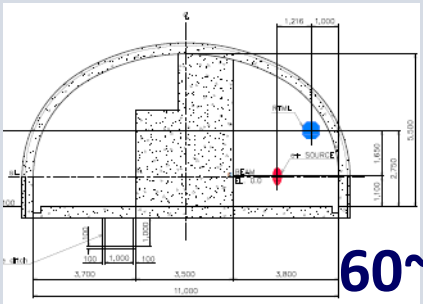
## Steel-supporting



Seikan Tunnel	Comparison Topics	ILC Tunnel
Feature	Subject	Feature
- Under sea	Topography	- Mountain
- Volcanic rocks - Mad stone, Sand	Geology	- Granite (very hard)
- NATM (Drilling) (Horseshoe-shape)	Construction Method	- NATM (Blasting) (KAMABOKO-shape)
- 100m ~ 120m	Depth	- 40m ~ 400m
- Inclined Tunnel (slope:1/4)	Installation & Access	- Horizontal Tunnel - Vertical shaft (Detector)
- Inclined Tunnel	Evacuation	- Horizontal Tunnel



## ■ Comparison of ILC Tunnel and Railway Tunnel

Item	Railway Tunnel	ILC Tunnel
<p><b>Cross Section</b></p>	 <p><b>62~74m<sup>2</sup></b></p>	 <p><b>60~80m<sup>2</sup></b></p>
<p><b>Linearity</b></p>	<p>Flexible: Depending of Terrain</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Laser straight (BDS)</li> <li>- Parallel to Geoid (ML)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Slope Limit</b></p>	<p>Max; 0.3%</p>	<p>Flat as possible</p>
<p><b>Air Condition</b></p>	<p>not necessary</p>	<p>Advanced HVAC systems</p>
<p><b>Ventilation</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Blower</li> <li>- Exhaust fan</li> </ul>	<p>Advanced Ventilation system</p>

# Seikan-tunnel judged by details

ILC Project by KEK-CFS

	Seikan	ILC
<b>Main Tunnel Length</b>	<b>54 km</b>	<b>35 km</b>
Other tunnels (Pilot & service, & Access tunnel, etc.)	80 km	10 km
Total excavation volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	6,300,000	3,500,000
Grouting (Cement & Water glass)	850,000 m <sup>3</sup>	?
Cement	850,000 ton	?
Construction Period	24 years	7 years
Number of the total workers	14,000,000	?
Total construction cost	¥ 690 billion	?

# Summary

- We selected the potential site with the best geological conditions in ILC project.  
So, expected no difficulties on the Seikan tunnel construction.

However,

- Tunneling work needs to prepare for unexpected conditions.
- Therefore we should often learn from experience of the Seikan Tunnel over much failure.



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# Appendix

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**Unique train in JR: Doctor Yellow:  
for the Inspection of the Rail Track stability & Contract wire**





# Doctor Yellow:

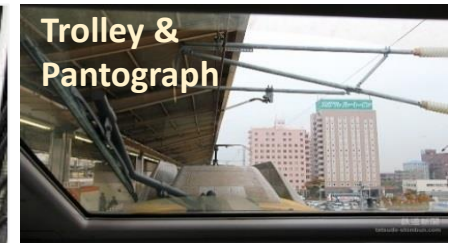
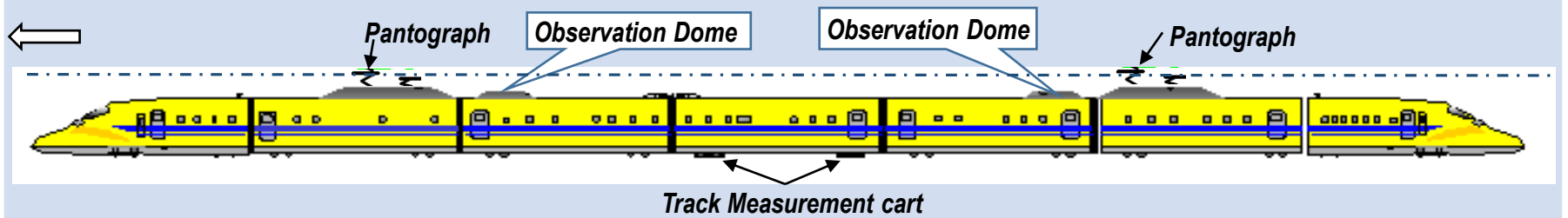
High-speed Test Train for Shinkansen (Bullet train)



## Inspection Density:

- Rail track : @ 25 cm
- Trolley line: @ 5 cm

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Signal condition, Communication	Contact wire & Pantograph	Electric Power monitoring	Track-relation Inspection	Electric Power monitoring	Contact wire & Pantograph	Signal condition, Operators Room



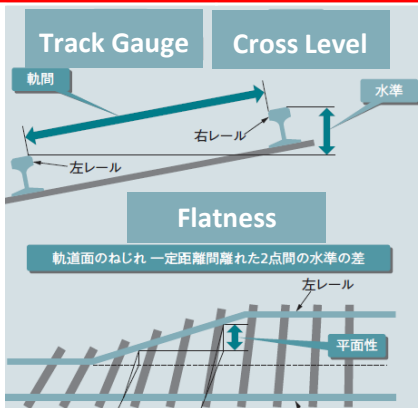
# Rail and Contact Wire Inspection Technology

## Inspection by Doctor Yellow:

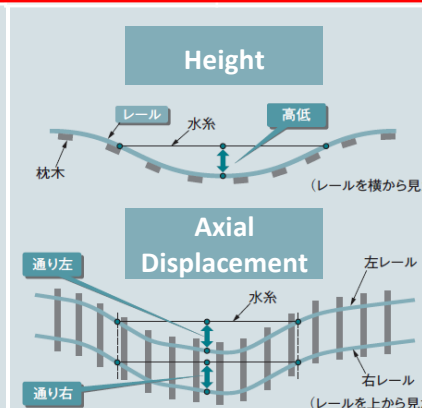
● Whole Shinkansen line: Measuring by the Running Test every 10 days

	Rail track Inspection	Contact Wire Inspection
Measurement Item	(1) Track Gauge (2) Cross Level (3) Height (4) Flatness (5) Axial displacement	(1) Abrasion (2) Deviation (3) Height (4) Watching by Observation Dome
Measurement Interval	25 cm	5 cm

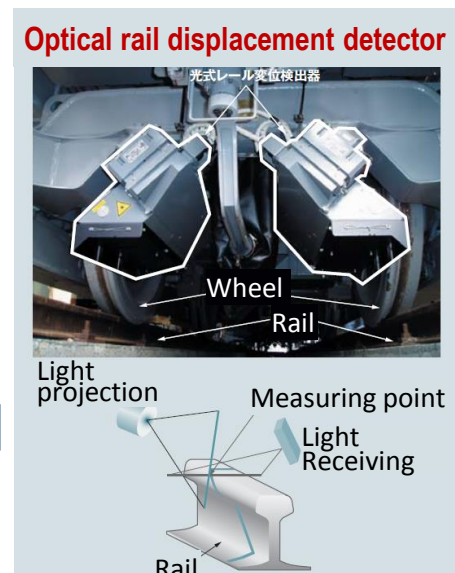
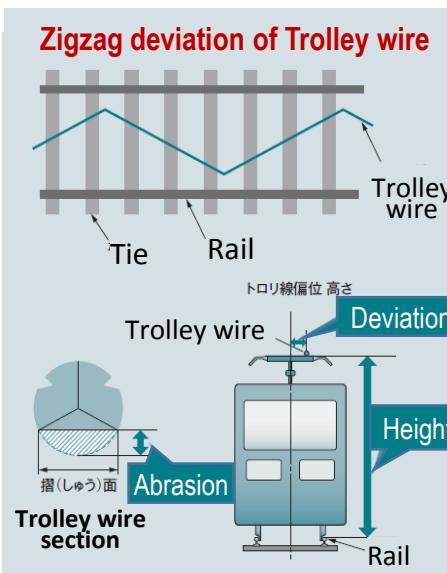
Management Value	Height	4 mm	
Track Gauge	2 mm	Flatness	3 mm
Cross Level	3 mm	Axial Displace.	3 mm



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