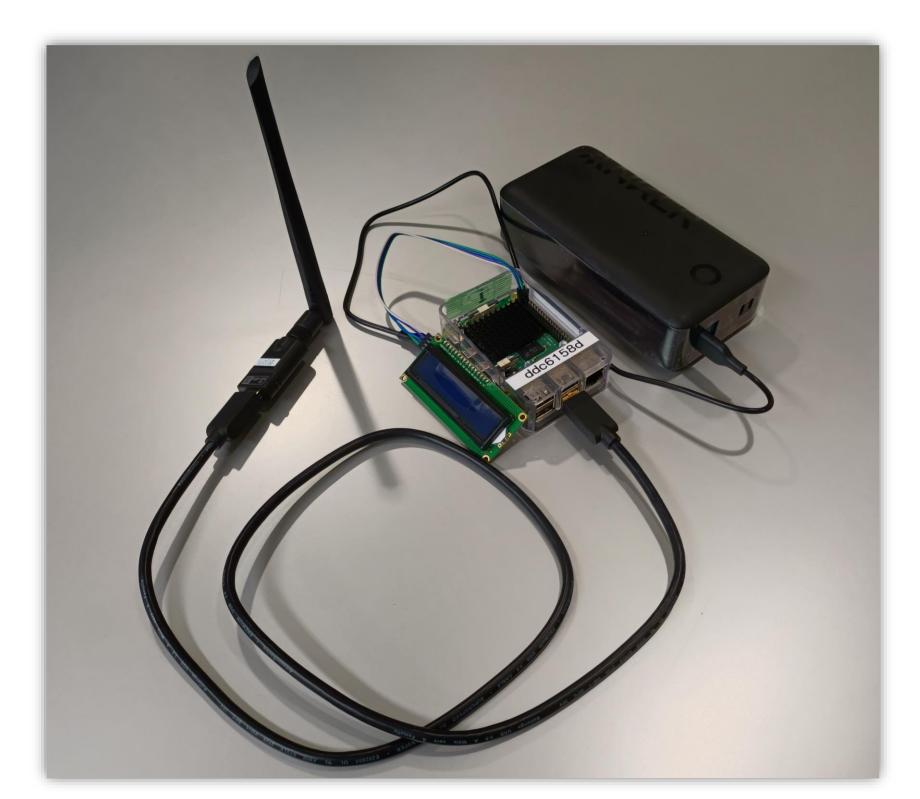
Technology for the Estimation of Pedestrians' Trajectories

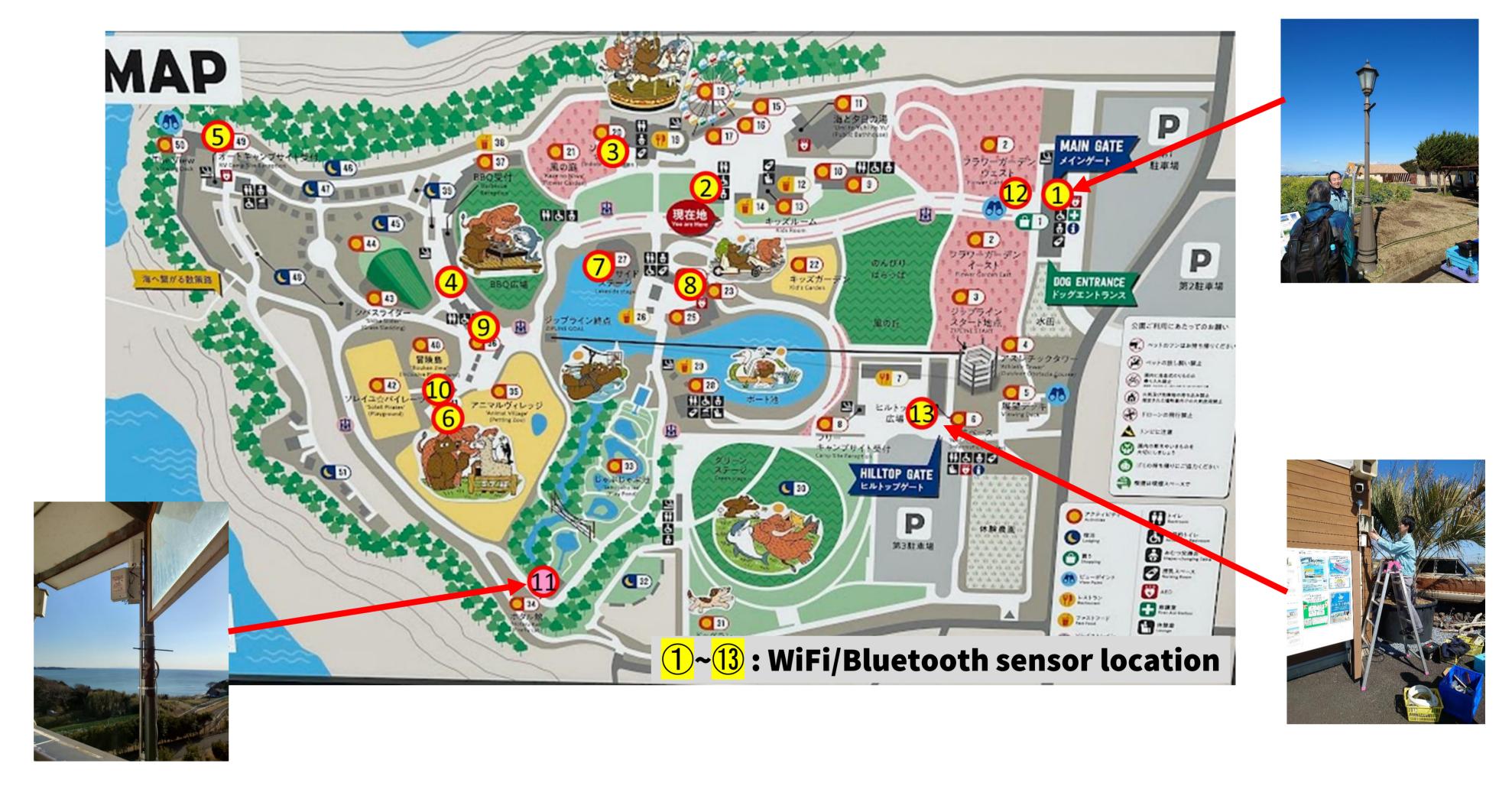


Online Collection of WiFi/Bluetooth Packet Signal

Newly developed WiFi/Bluetooth packet signal sensor collects the randomized ID numbers of mobile devices with timestamps and RSSIs (Receiving Signal Strength Index) and transmit them via the internet. The operators who may interest in the people flow in a town, a park, an event venue, etc. can easily set up the monitoring system with those sensors.



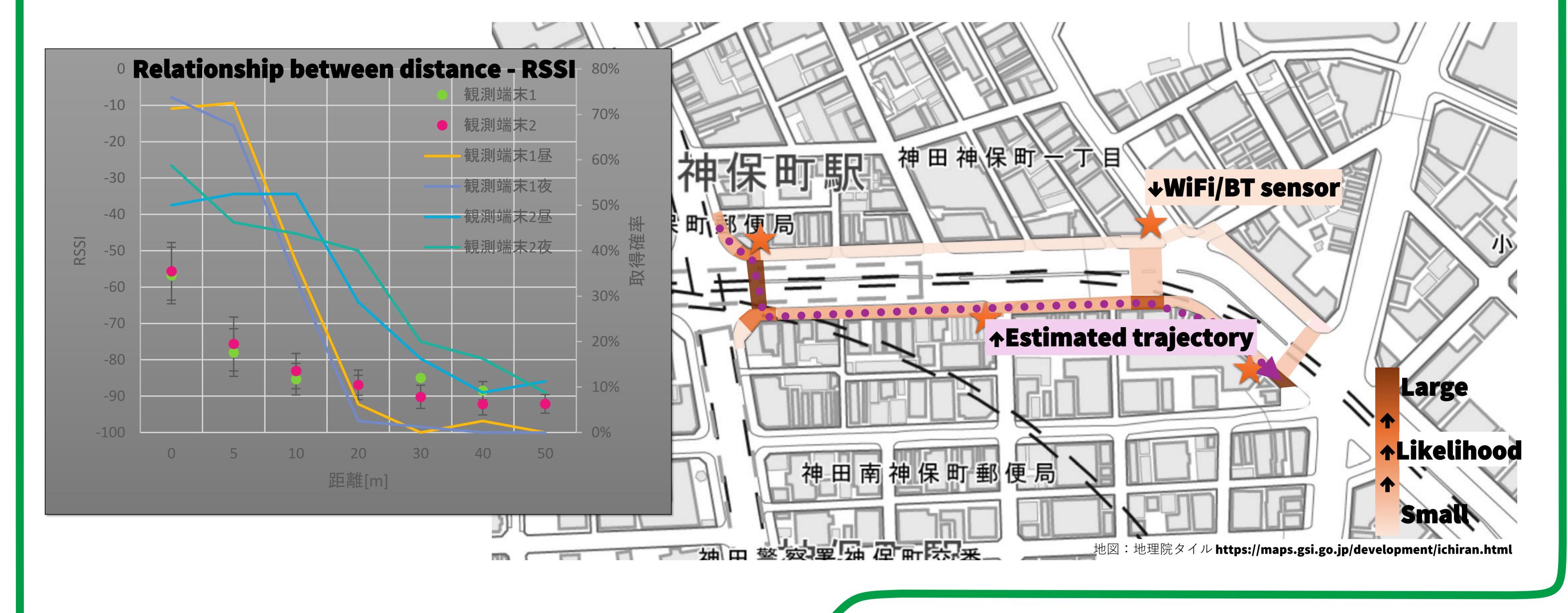
WiFi/Bluetooth Packet Signal Sensor



WiFi/Bluetooth Sensor locations in Soleil Hills Park, Yokosuka-city

Estimation of Pedestrian's Trajectory

The RSSI of WiFi/Bluetooth Packet Signal is attenuated by the distance to a device. We have developed the ID tracking methodology to estimate pedestrian's trajectory in 10m order resolution with a smaller number of sensors. In the estimation, the meth utilizes the relationship of distance-RSSI and the place transition probabilities embedded in a discretized walkable space. The estimation result is provided with the form of most likely time-space trajectory. Those estimated trajectories will be used to the microscopic agent simulation.



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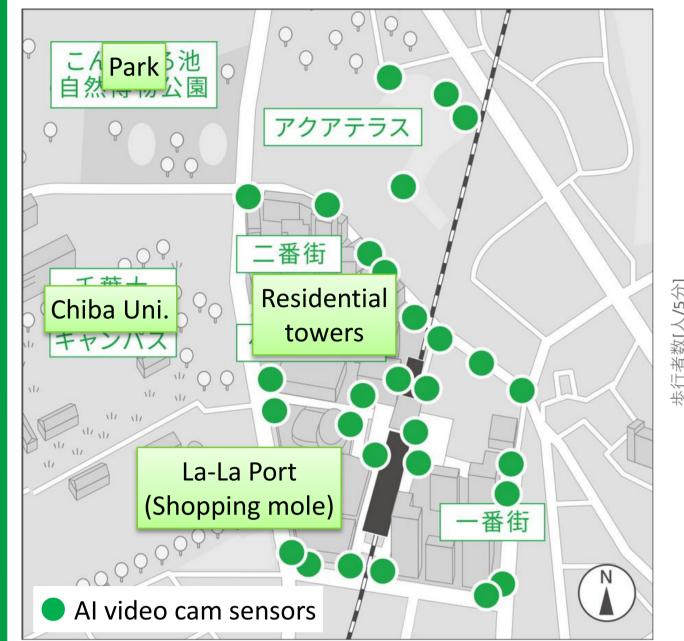
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Nowcast / Forecast Technologies for Crowd Flow Prediction



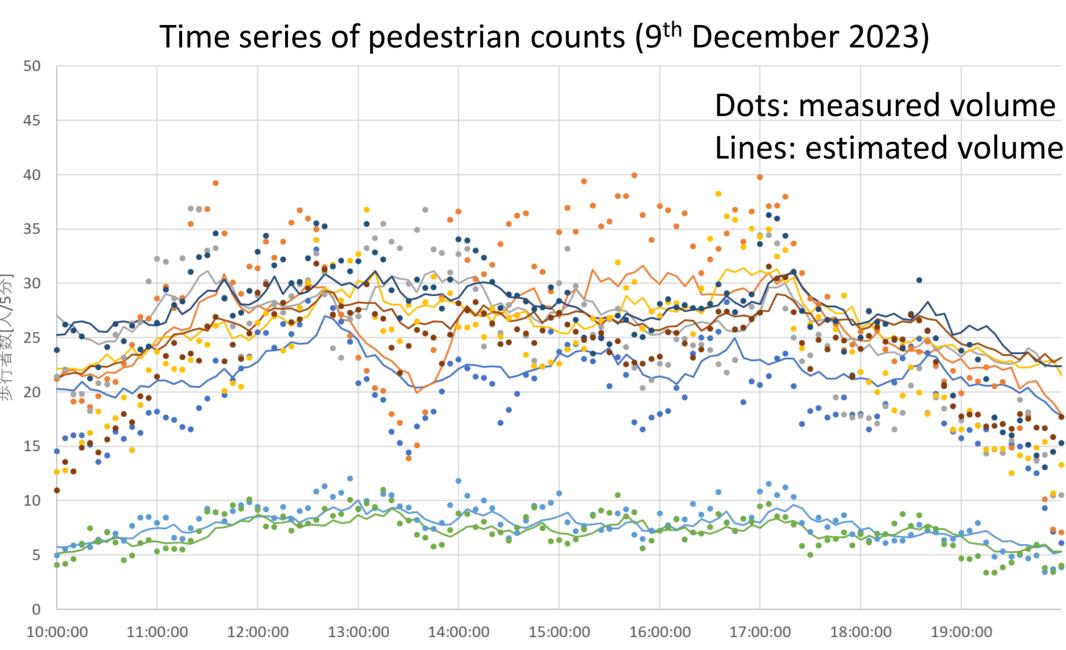
Crowd Flow Nowcast

The 'Nowcast' of crowd flow is so-called online simulation which continuously adjusts its inputs and key parameters with real time observed data. The 'Kashiwa-no-ha Crowd Flow Nowcast' takes in the real time pedestrian count data from the local management organization and reproduces 'today's' crowd flow in the area every minutes. The 'Nowcast' enables social feedback loop in cyber-physical system and will contribute to maintain the quality of walkable space.

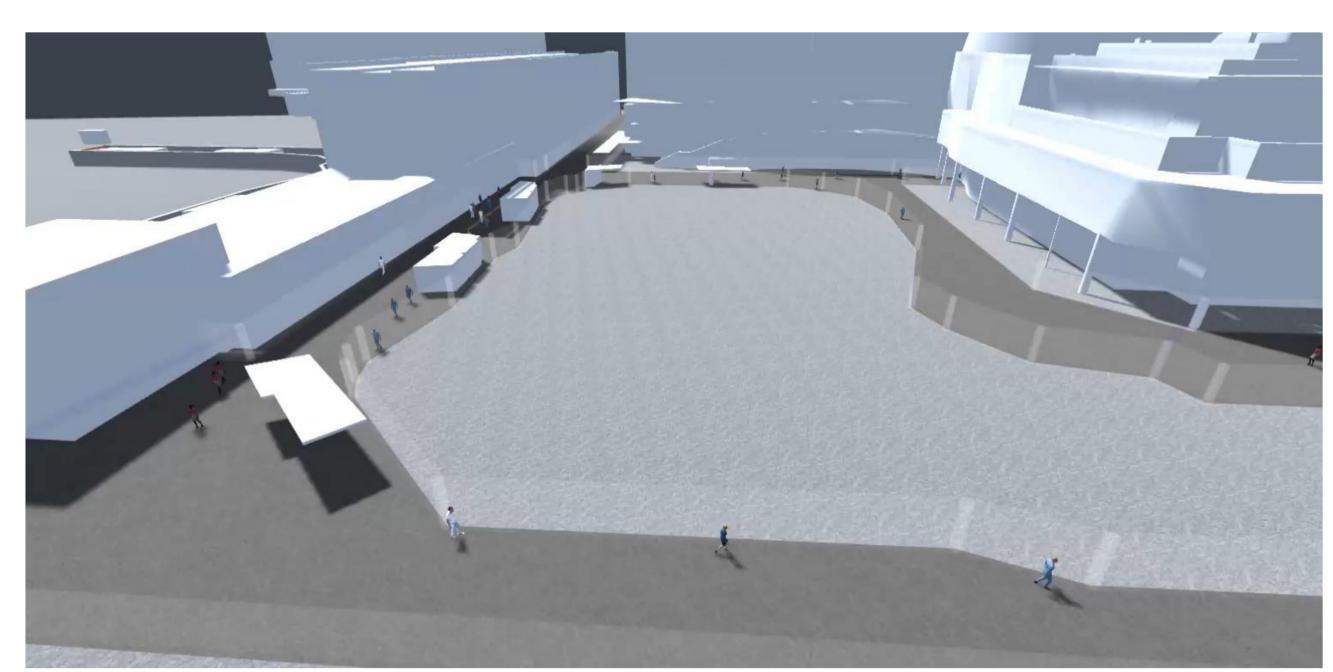


Pedestrian count sensors implemented by the

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Estimated pedestrian O-D flow with an online particle filter being fed to the 'Nowcast' simulation



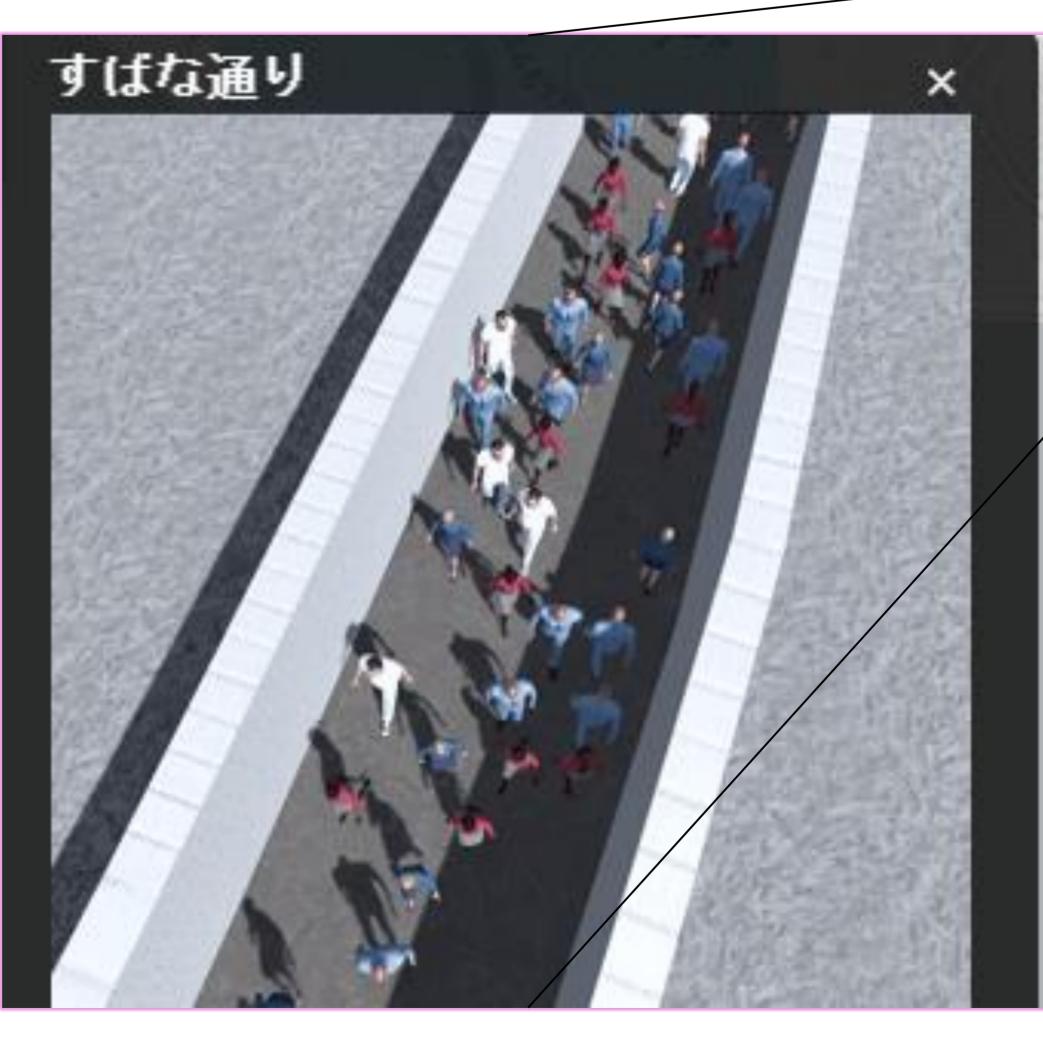
The 'Kashiwa-no-ha Crowd Flow Nowcast' agent simulation reproducing, quantifying and visualizing 'Today's' condition

Crowd Flow Forecast

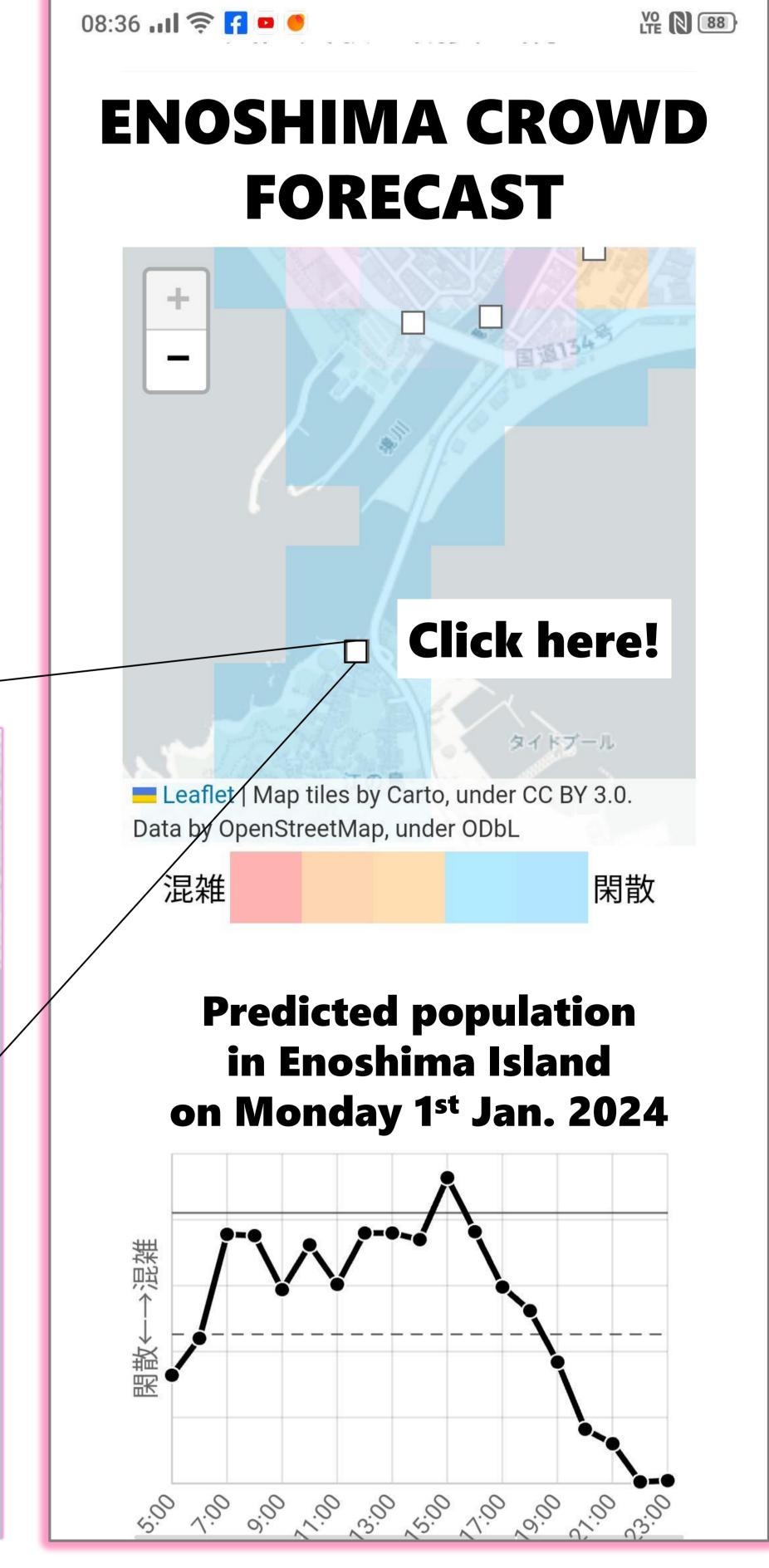
The framework of the 'Nowcast' can be applied to the 'Forecast' by replacing the real-time input data with the predicted data. We are now developing the 'Enoshima Crowd Flow Forecast' under the collaboration with the Toyoda Lab (IIS, the University of Tokyo), which provides the hourly time series of 7-days-future population in target area based on AI-learning model with SNS articles. The 'Forecast' provides the future crowd conditions of next weekend to help the local authorities suffering with over-tourism to plan and to prepare the measures of congestion mitigation in advance.



Extreme congestion can be seen in high season



Predicted future crowd condition at the main corridor of Enoshima Island



Portal site of the 'Enoshima Crowd Forecast'

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