Study on spectral decay characteristics in high frequency range using parameter  $\kappa\text{-}$  For crustal earthquakes -

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Spectral decay parameters  $\kappa$  and  $f_{\rm E}$  due to crustal earthquakes are estimated in this study. In high frequency range spectra of S-wave accelerations are generally characterized by a trend of exponential decay,  ${\rm e}^{-{\rm rf}\kappa}$   $(f>f_{\rm E})$ , while they are modeled with  $f_{\rm max}$  filter in Japanese applications. The  $\kappa'$ s of the three large earthquakes are estimated in the range 0.0142 and 0.0277 and  $f_{\rm E}'$ s are estimated in the range 2Hz and 5Hz for the mainshocks of the 2003 Miyagi-ken Hokubu earthquake, the 2005 Fukuoka-Ken Seiho-oki earthquake, and the 2008 Iwate Miyagi Nairiku earthquake. The relationship between  $\kappa$  and the power coefficient of  $f_{\rm max}$  filter,  $f_{\rm max}$  are evaluated from the results. Moreover, hypocentral distance dependency of  $\kappa$  is confirmed as demonstrated by previous studies.

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