



Kartlegging av tsunamifaren gjennom numeriske simuleringer

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- ↗ Why Numerical Simulation?
- ↗ Long-term Tsunami Hazard Assessment
- ↗ Urgent Tsunami Computing
- ↗ Landslide Tsunami Modelling

Tsunami sources, propagation, and inundation – from the global to the local scale

Banda Aceh, Sumatra, 2004
~230000 Fatalities

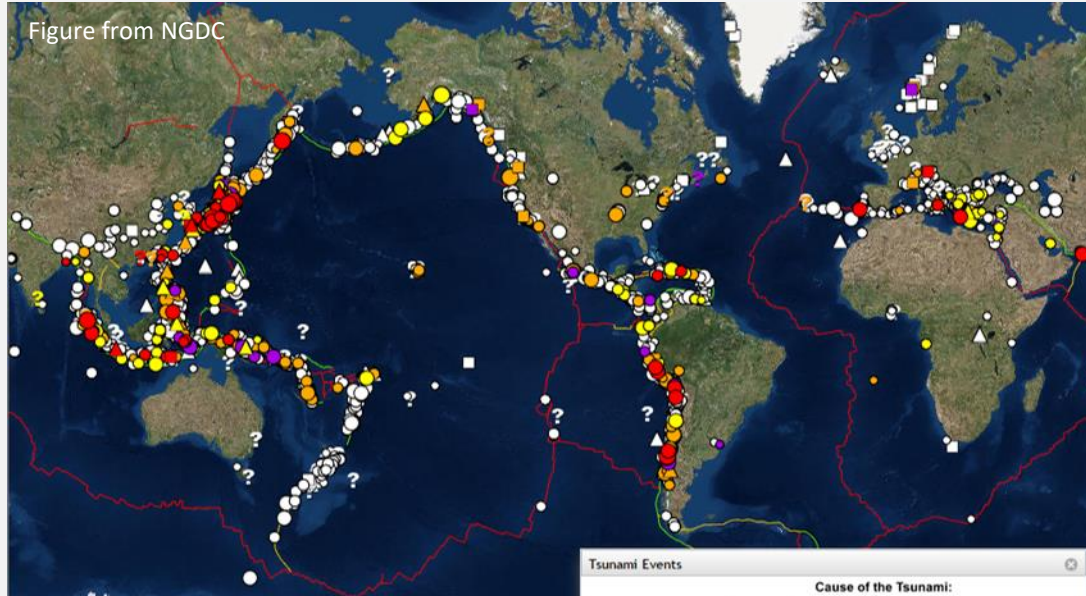


Japan tsunami 2011,
~20 000 dead or missing, huge economic losses



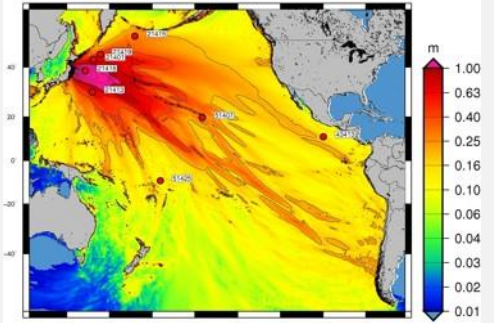
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They propagate efficiently over the ocean

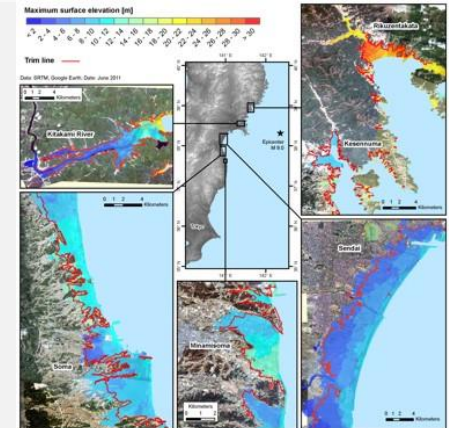


More than 80 % of all tsunamis are caused by earthquakes, and they mainly occur along the major subduction plate boundaries

Effects of the Tsunami:	Cause of the Tsunami:			
	Volcanic Eruption	Landslide	Unknown/Miscellaneous	Earthquake Magnitude
Very Many Deaths (~1001 or more deaths)	▲	■	?	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Many Deaths (~101 to 1000 deaths)	▲	■	?	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Some Deaths (~51 to 100 deaths)	▲	■	?	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Few Deaths (~1 to 50 deaths)	▲	■	?	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
No Deaths / Unknown	△	□	?	○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

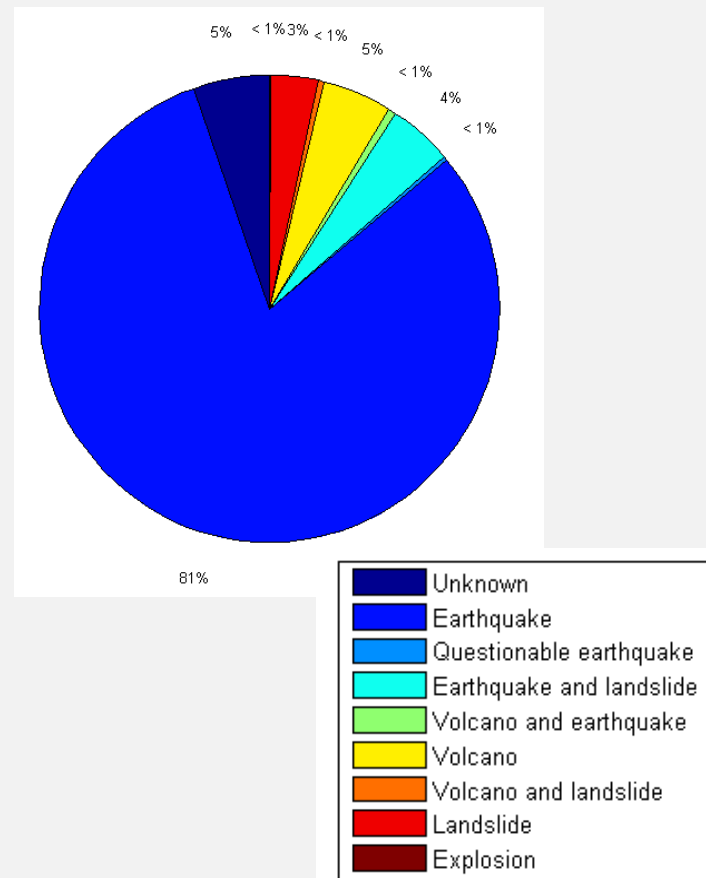


But the largest risk is associated with inundation from local sources



Landslide tsunamis make up a significant portion of the “global tsunami budget”

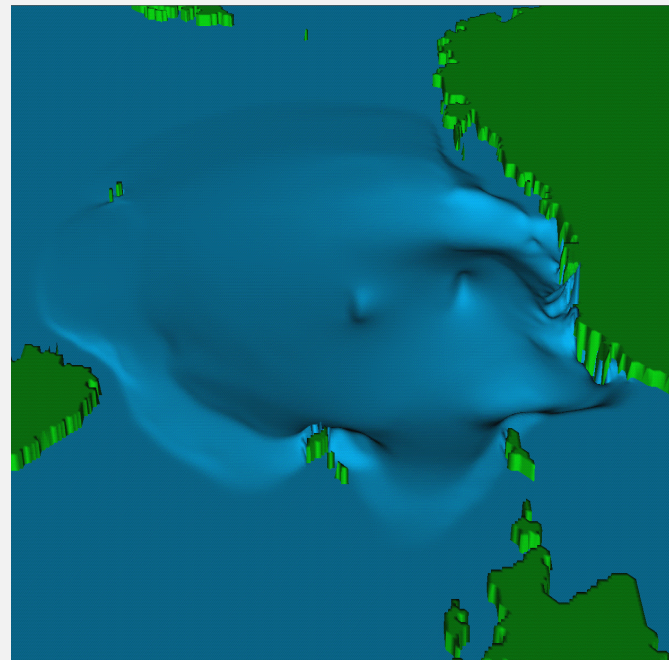
- Earthquakes comprise 80% of the reported sources, the rest by others such as landslides
- Landslides are often the dominating cause when combined with earthquake or volcano
- Likely cause for a majority of the “unknown” events
- Former events may have been underreported / ignored and historical frequencies likely too low



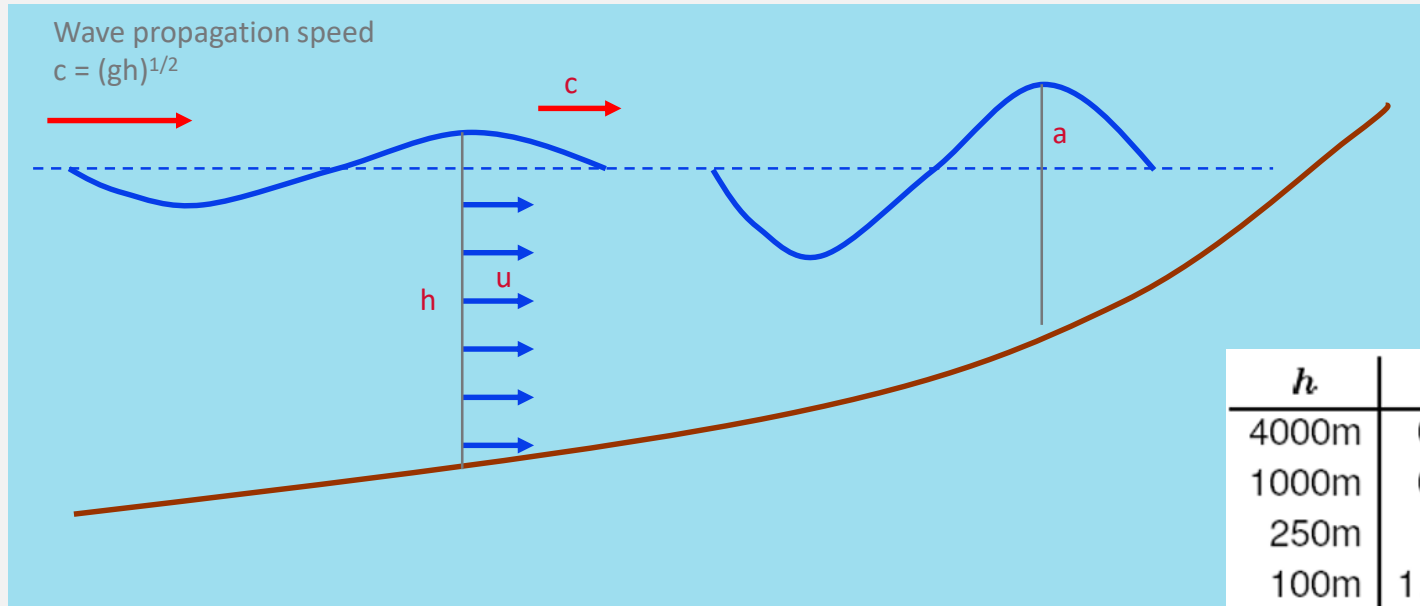
What is a tsunami?

Definition:

- Unusually large wave in a harbour (Japanese)
- Wave generated by huge and sudden displacement of water (e.g. earthquakes, slides, volcanoes, asteroids)
- Run-up heights from cms to hundreds of meters
- Wave period ~1-60 minutes



Tsunamis become shorter and higher when moving from the open sea into shallower waters

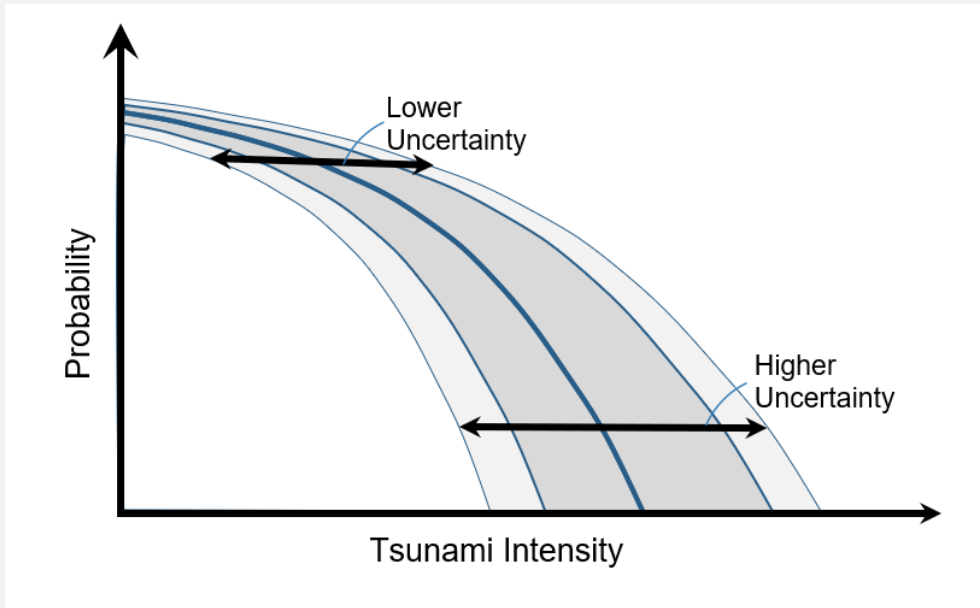


h	a	λ	c
4000m	0.5m	100km	713km/t
1000m	0.7m	50km	356km/t
250m	1m	25km	180km/t
100m	1.25m	16km	113km/t
50m	1.5m	11km	80km/t
20m	1.9m	7km	50km/t
10m	2.2m	5km	36km/t

Typical data for the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami →

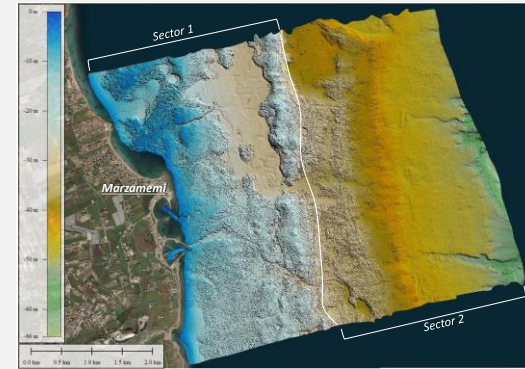
Probabilistic Tsunami Hazard Assessment

- PTHA: Probability and uncertainty of exceeding a given metric of tsunami inundation at a given coastal location within a given time interval.

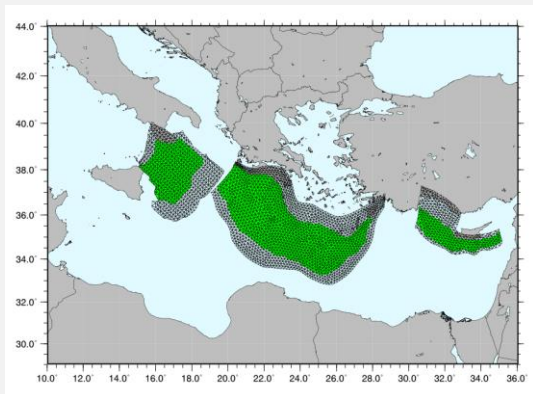


Examples of Stakeholders

- Insurance Premiums
- Emergency planning (evacuation routes)
- Coastal engineering (planning constraints)
- Civil protection (hazard zonation for emergency planning)

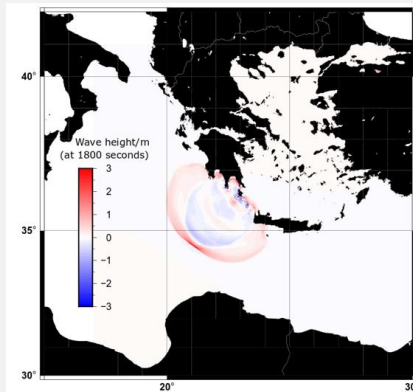


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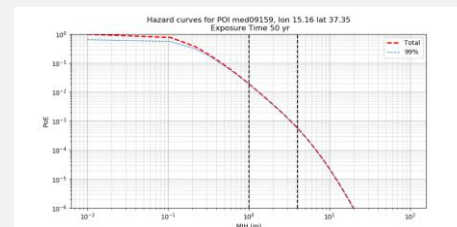
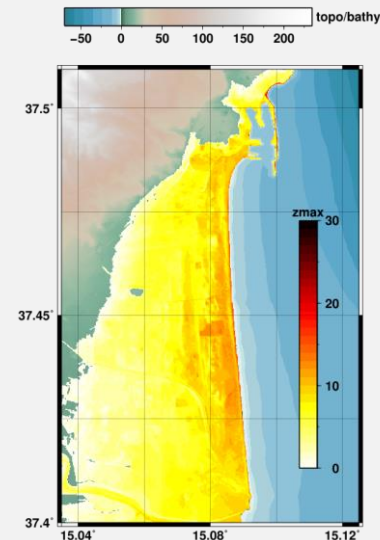


Earthquake tsunami sources (scenarios)

(HUGE discretization of earthquake sources – landslide-generated tsunamis will be considered later)

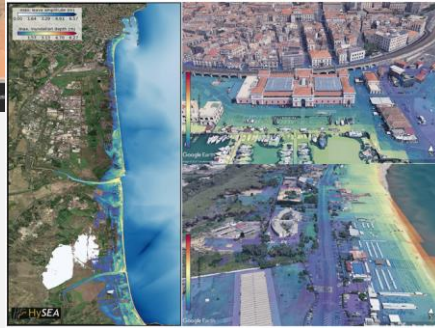


Tsunami simulation (HPC needed)

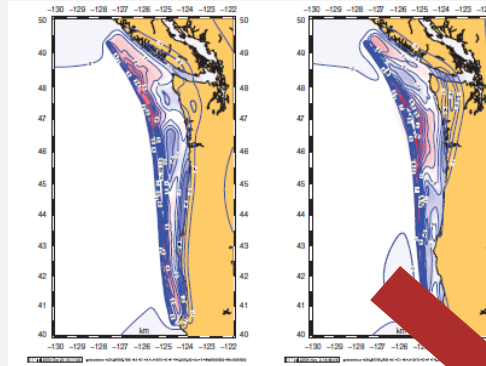


Inundation and Hazard calculation

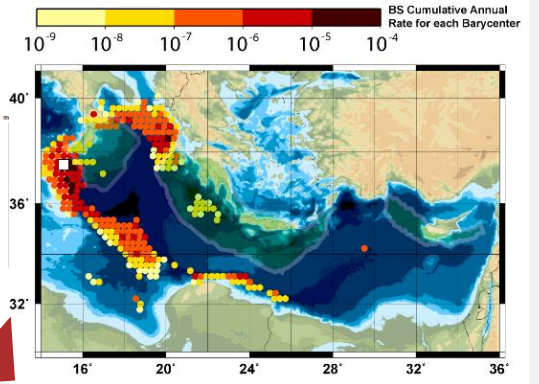
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Gonzalez et al. 2009, JGR ~25 sources



Gibbons et al. 2020, Frontiers Earth Sci. ~33000 sources



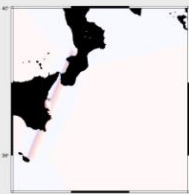
- ChEESE - high resolution inundation calculations - From regional to local hazard
- Local tsunami hazard based in the NEAM - future community service

- Increase from a handful of tsunami sources to 10^4 - 10^5 sources
- HPC can makes much more fine grain source uncertainty treatment possible
- Benchmark PTHA and understand how elaborate source uncertainty treatment needs to be

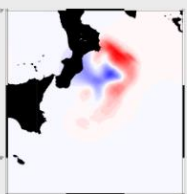
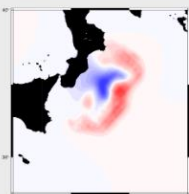
Seafloor deformation

Ensembles of earthquake sources:
including stochastic slip distributions

BACKGROUND SEISMICITY

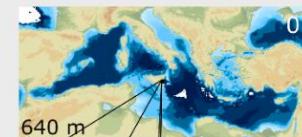


PREDOMINANT SEISMICITY



Propagation

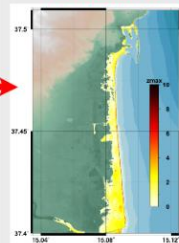
T-HySEA (Tsunami Simulation)
GPU-based code (C++/CUDA)



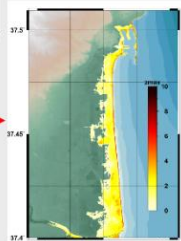
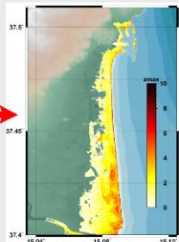
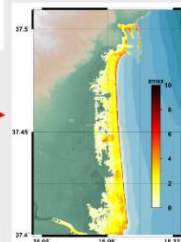
- Nested grids
- 4 levels
- 10 m resolution for coastal inundation

Inundation Metrics

Key metrics from highest
resolution run-up grids



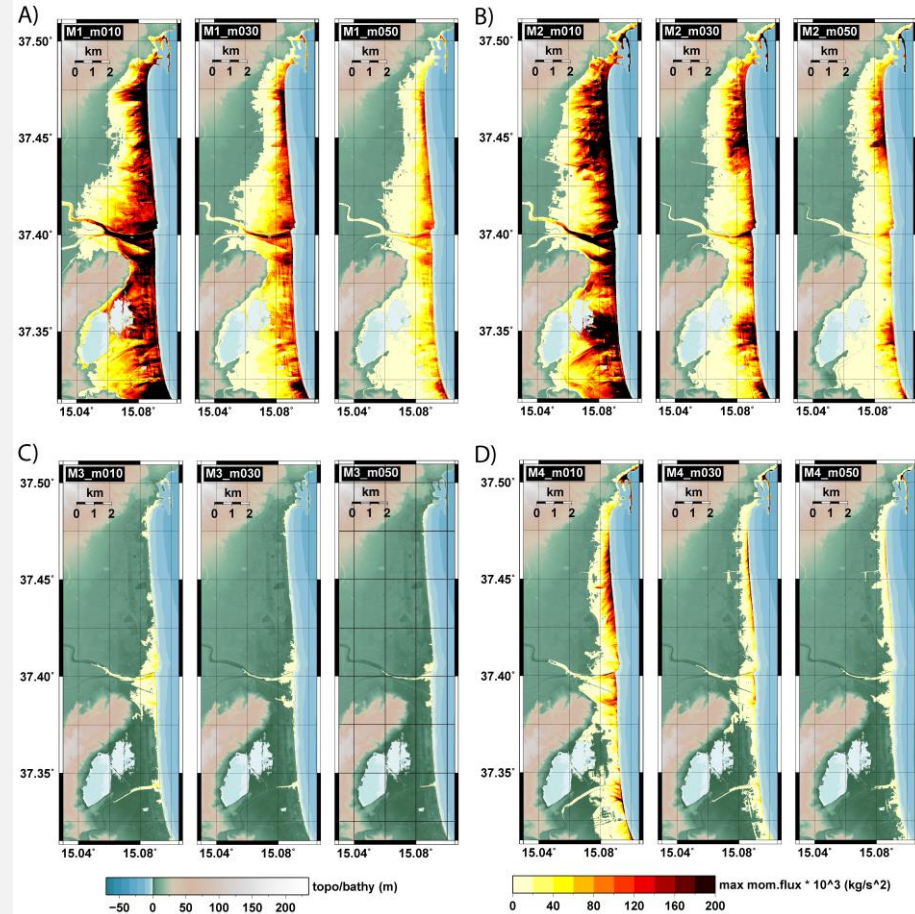
- Max. inundation height
- Max. momentum flux
- Max. flow depth



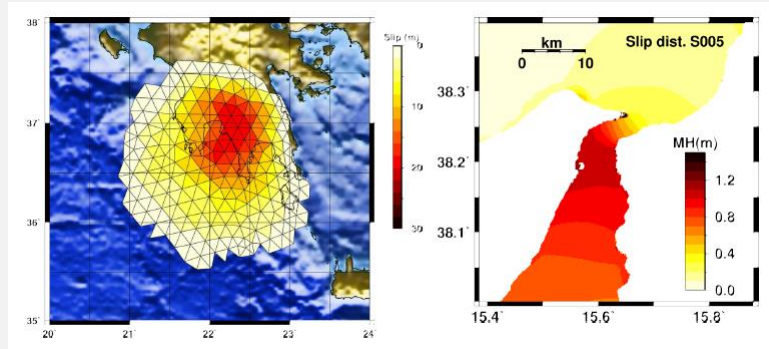
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- We are not just increasing the resolution at which the simulations go – we are vastly increasing the number of simulations that can be performed.
- We can increase the number of (earthquake sources) – and explore how inundation depends upon model parameters.
- **Right: how momentum flux varies for 4 different earthquakes for 3 different values of Manning friction ...**

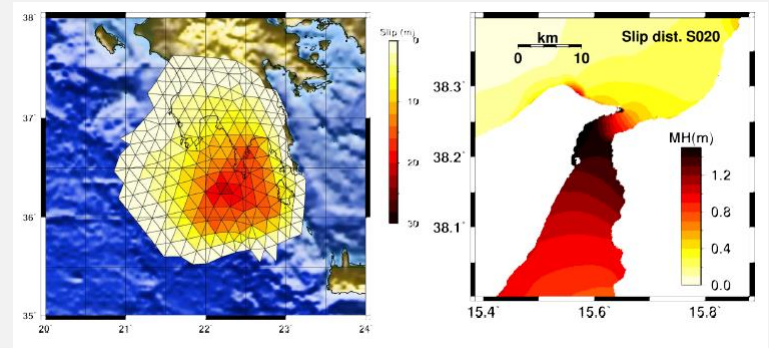
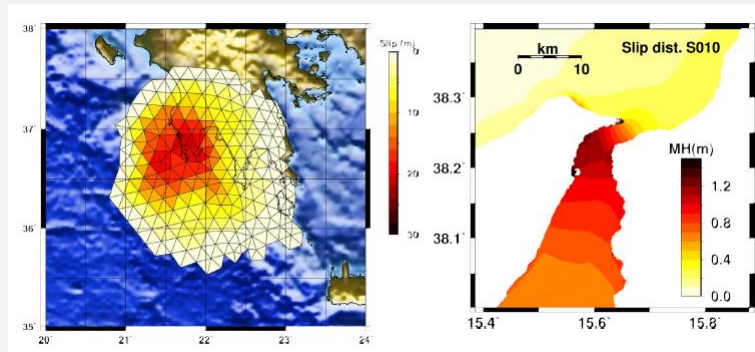
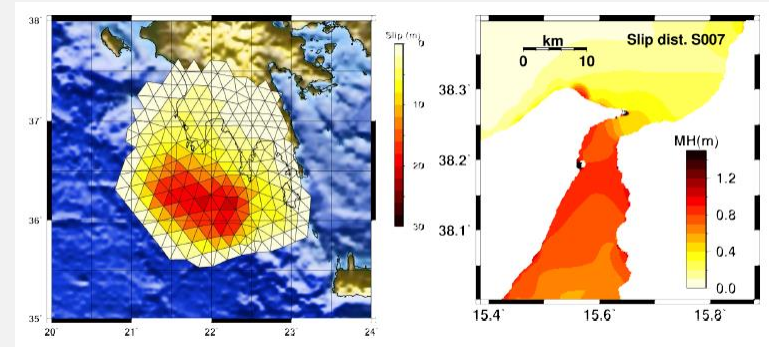
Sensitivity to
Model Parameters



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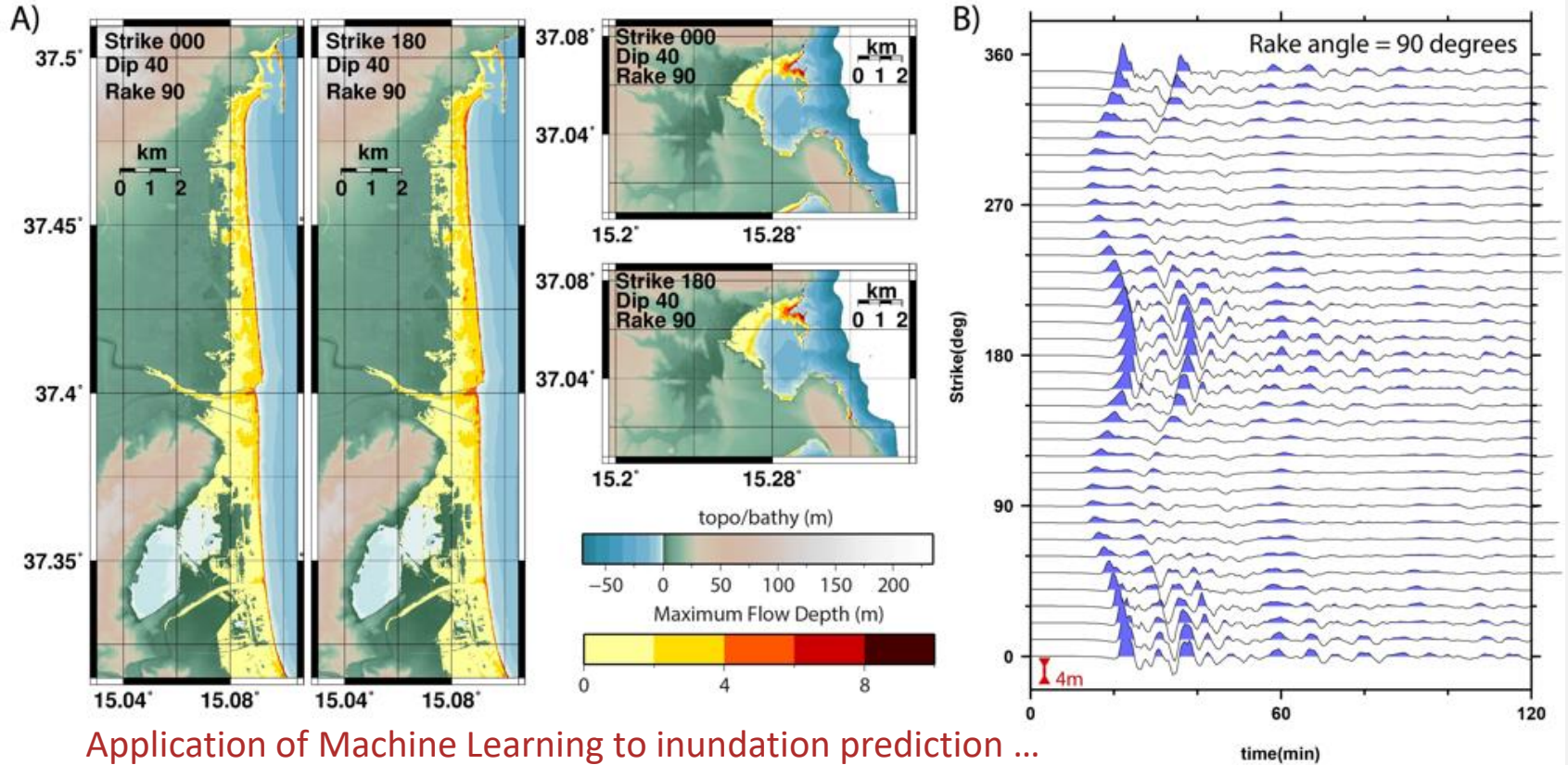


Sensitivity to Slip Distribution ...



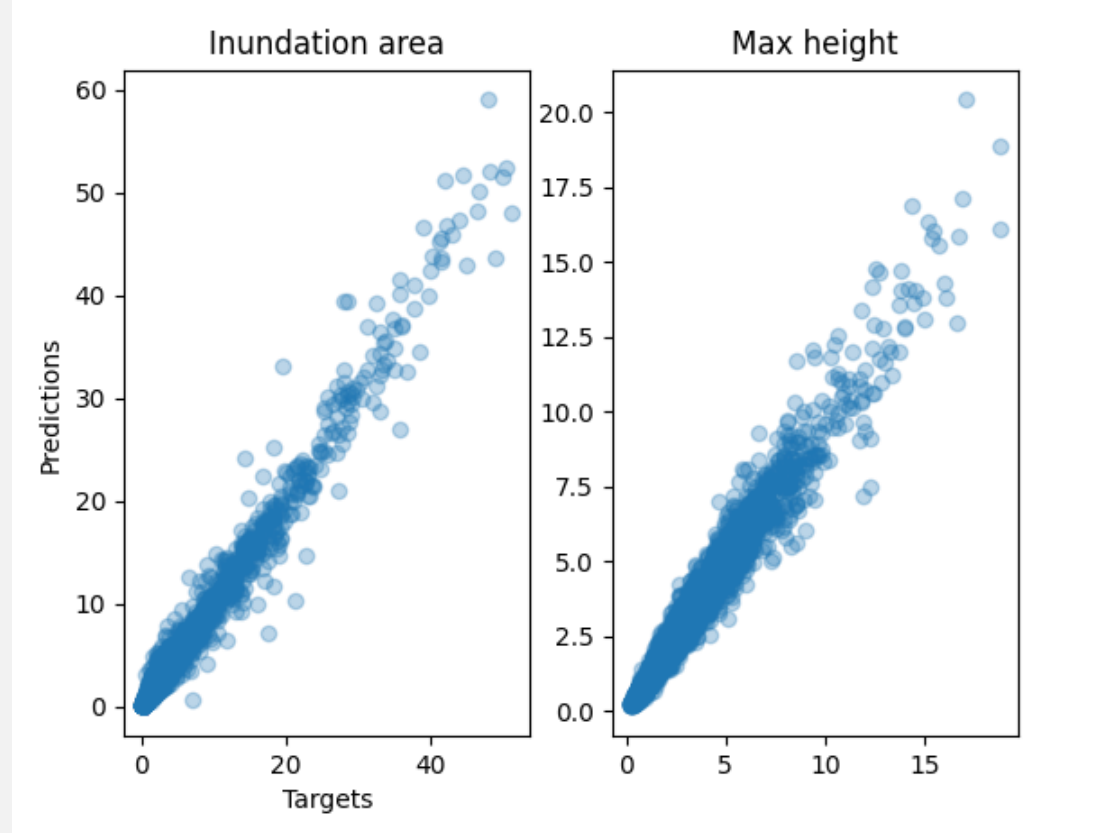
Each image shows a stochastic realization of a magnitude 8.2 subduction earthquake in the Hellenic Arc. The tsunami impact varies greatly!

Probabilistic Tsunami Hazard Assessment



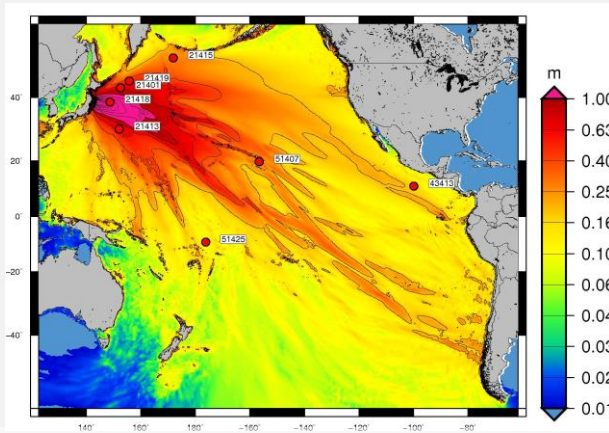
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- Internal project in 2020 to predict inundations of metrics from offshore height measurements.
- Preliminary results are very encouraging but there are many unanswered questions and many more possibilities to explore.

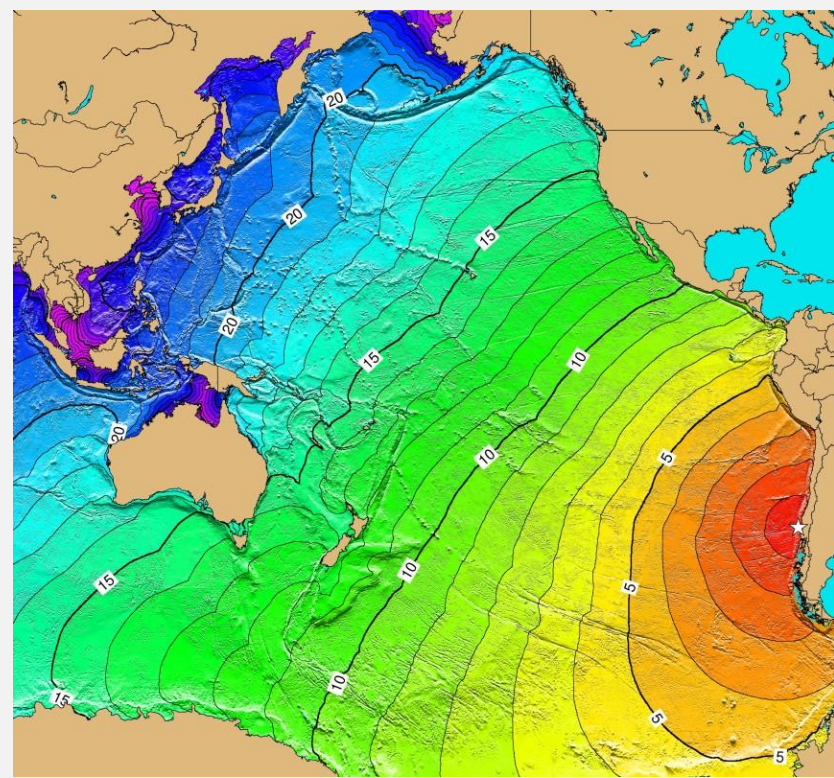


Probabilistic Tsunami Forecast

- Tsunami Warning Centers need to issue alerts following large earthquakes.
- Alerts need to be as accurate as possible: **(As few false alarms as possible!)**
- Alerts need to happen fast – but at the start there is much uncertainty about the source ...



Tohoku 2011 tsunami (Løvholt et al., 2012)



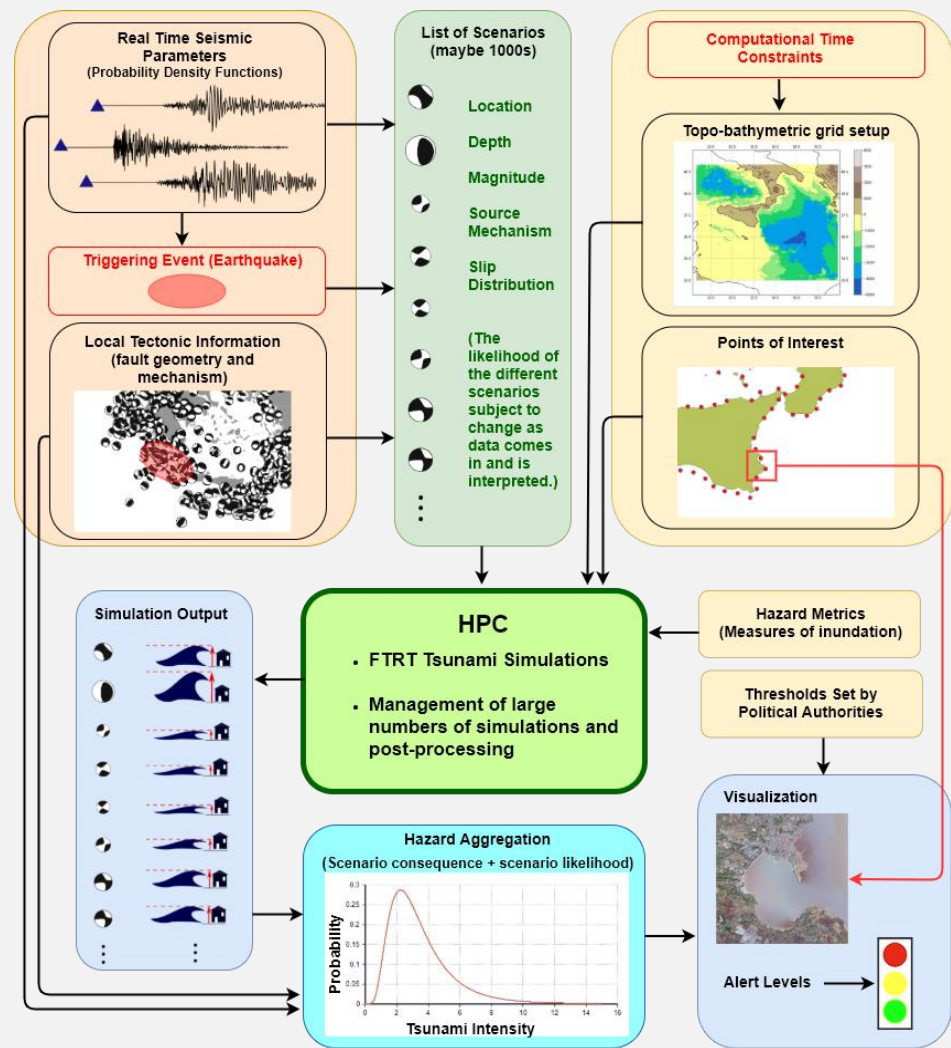
Above: Travel time (hours)

Figure from NGDC/NOAA

Left: Complexity of propagation: focusing

Probabilistic Tsunami Forecast

- PTF forecasts the outcome of a tsunami accounting for source uncertainties
- Use **Faster Than Real Time** tsunami simulations and a very large number of alternative models for the source.
- Provide real-time input for rational decision making.
- Future work flows will include real-time observational data (e.g. seismic, tide gauge) to modify probabilities.
- Example of **Urgent HPC**
- Relevance to other Natural Hazards obvious – but applications are less mature



Probabilistic Tsunami Forecast



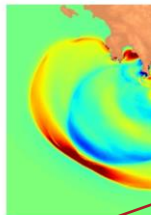
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Probabilistic tsunami forecasting for early warning

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Tsunami warning centres face the challenging task of rapidly forecasting tsunami threat immediately after an earthquake, when there is high uncertainty due to data deficiency. Here we introduce Probabilistic Tsunami Forecasting (PTF) for tsunami early warning. PTF explicitly treats data- and forecast-uncertainties, enabling alert level definitions according to any predefined level of conservatism, which is connected to the average balance of missed-vs-false-alarms. Impact forecasts and resulting recommendations become progressively less uncertain as new data become available. Here we report an implementation for near-source early warning and test it systematically by hindcasting the great 2010 M8.8 Maule (Chile) and the well-studied 2003 M6.8 Zemmouri-Bourmerdes (Algeria) tsunamis, as well as all the Mediterranean earthquakes that triggered alert messages at the Italian Tsunami Warning Centre since its inception in 2015, demonstrating forecasting accuracy over a wide range of magnitudes and earthquake types.



➤ Current system:
Decision Matrix
Conservative thresholds for safety factors mean many false alarms.

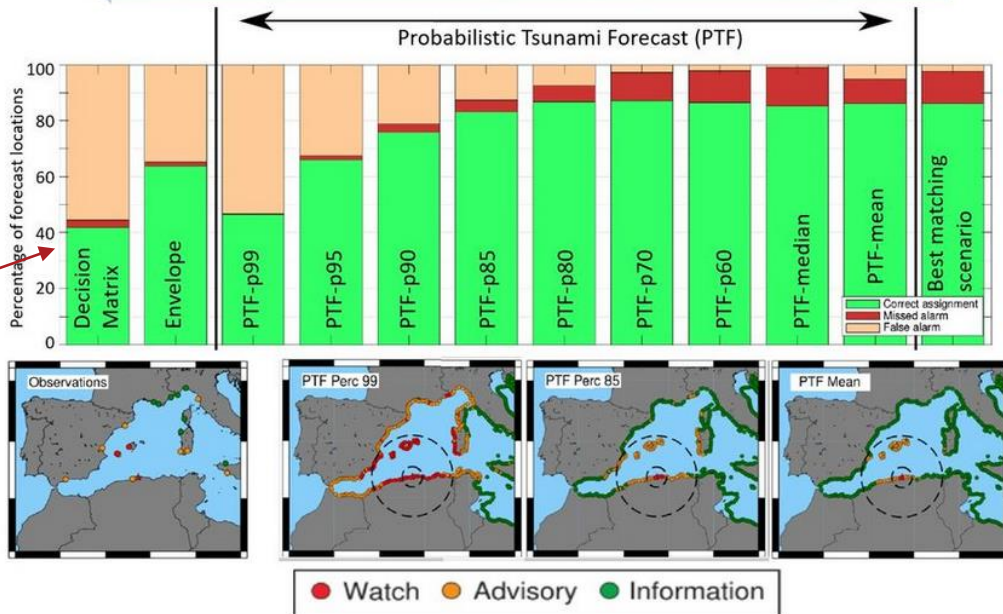


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- More alerted forecast points
- More false alarms
- Fewer missed alarms

Conservatism

- Fewer alerted forecast points
- Fewer false alarms
- More missed alarms



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Modelling the Storegga slide

Paleobathymetry from Hill et al. (2014) [10.1016/j.ocemod.2014.08.007](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ocemod.2014.08.007)

We gratefully acknowledge the use of this model.

- We perform numerical simulations of the landslide and resulting tsunami.
- We apply the paleobathymetry from Hill et al. (2014) (*Ocean Modelling v.83, pp11-25*)



Ocean Modelling

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How does multiscale modelling and inclusion of realistic palaeobathymetry affect numerical simulation of the Storegga Slide tsunami?

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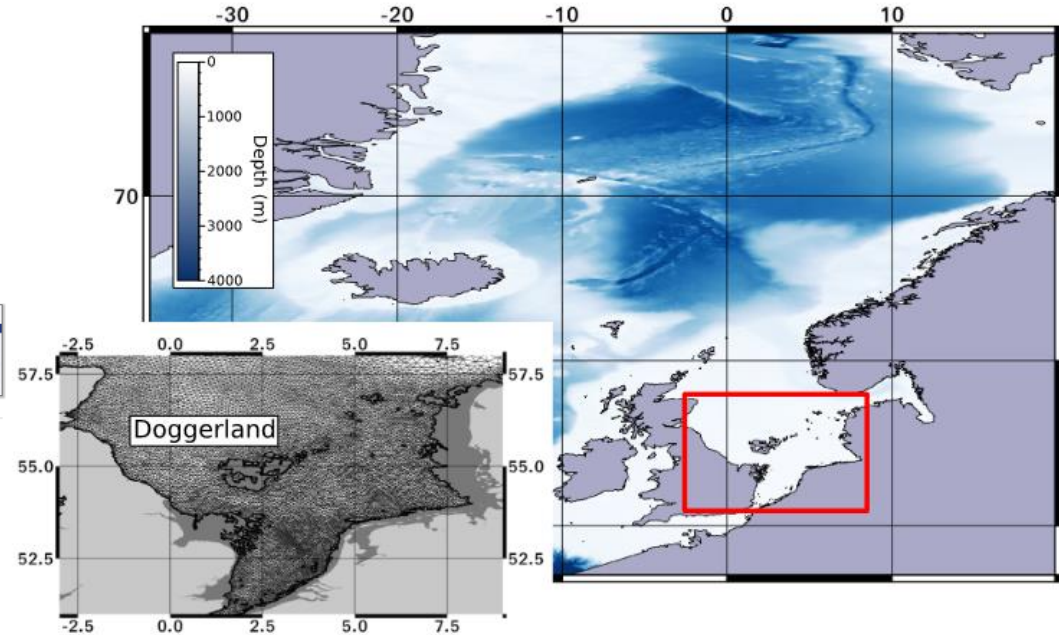


Fig. 1. Bathymetry and coastline used for the simulations using palaeobathymetry (top). A close-up of the east coast of the UK is shown (bottom), including the island known as “Doggerland”, where an overlay of the production mesh used in this study is also shown. Shading shows water depth with darker shades indicating deeper water. For the insert the modern coastline is also shown (light grey) over the palaeo-coastline (dark grey).

Modelling inundation from the Storegga slide is performed in 3 different stages:

1) Modelling the landslide

BingClaw: Simulates the dynamics of cohesive landslides

<https://www.ngi.no/eng/Services/Technical-expertise/Tsunamis/Model-for-simulating-dynamics-of-cohesive-landslides>

Landslide Material Control on Tsunami Genesis—The Storegga Slide and Tsunami (8,100 Years BP)

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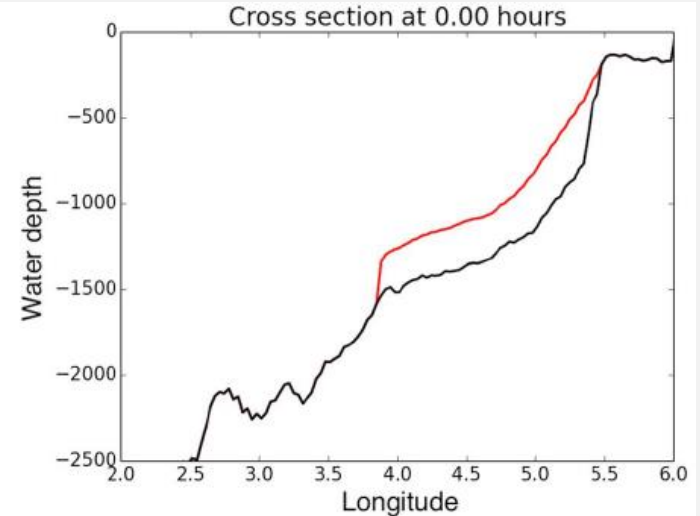
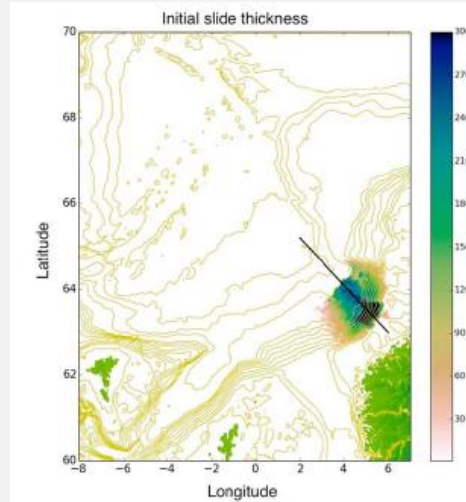
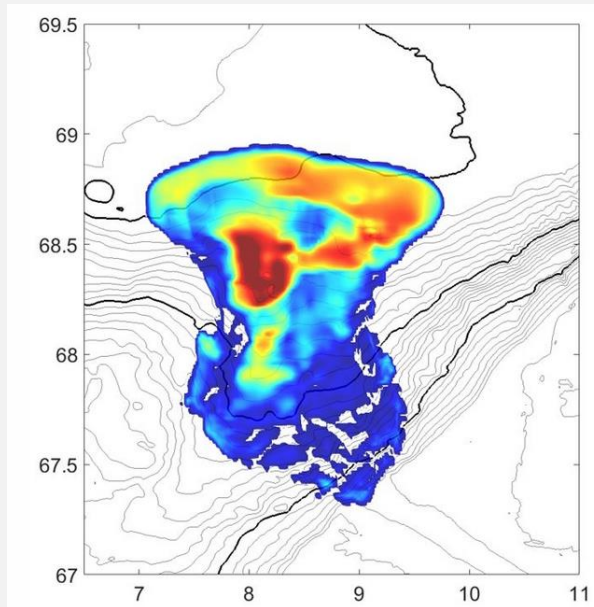


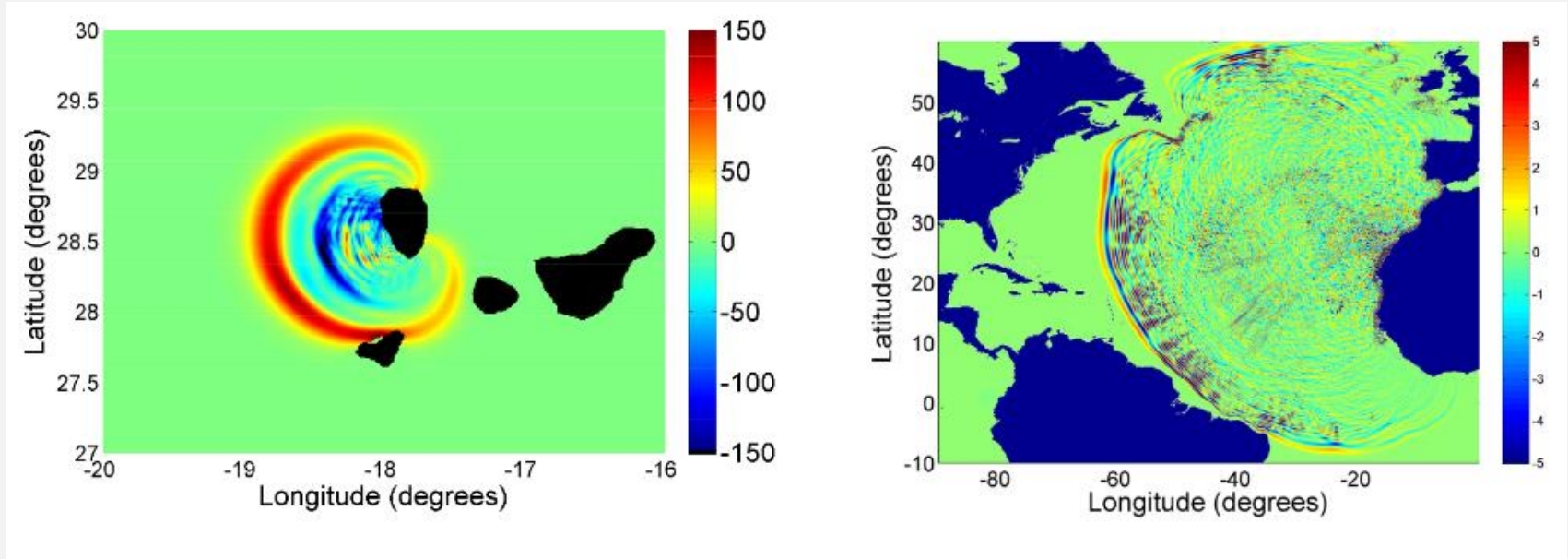
Figure 4. Assumed initial shape of the Storegga Slide simulations with BingClaw: release height distribution (left panel) and longitudinal section (right panel) along the black line in the left panel.

Modelling inundation from the Storegga slide is performed in 3 different stages:

➤ 2) Modelling the tsunami

GloBouss: Simulates oceanic tsunami propagation given a dynamically changing seafloor

<https://github.com/geirkp/geirkp.github.io/tree/master/bouss>



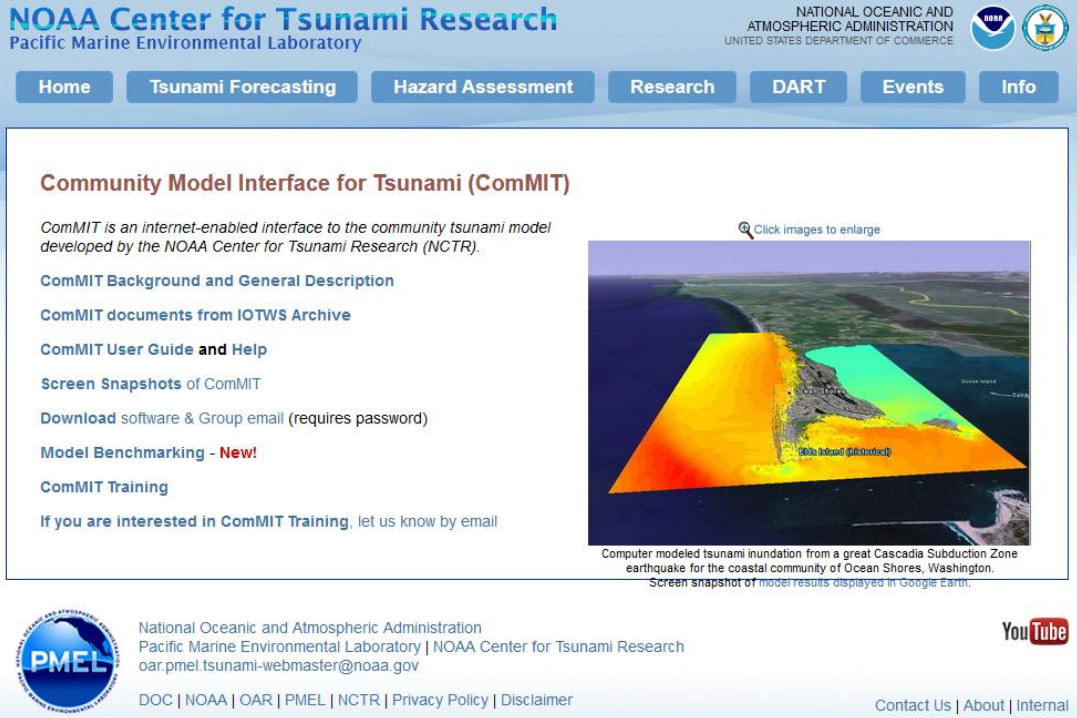
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3) Modelling the inundation

MOST/ComMIT(NOAA): Simulates inundation at high resolution

<https://nctr.pmel.noaa.gov/ComMIT/>

Uses nested or «telescopic» grid to model the behaviour of the tsunami on and close to the shoreline.



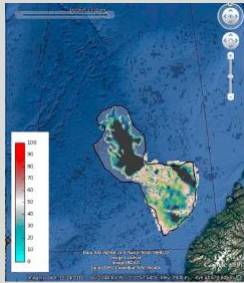
The screenshot shows the NOAA Center for Tsunami Research website. The header includes the NOAA logo and the text "NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE". The navigation menu contains "Home", "Tsunami Forecasting", "Hazard Assessment", "Research", "DART", "Events", and "Info". The main content area is titled "Community Model Interface for Tsunami (ComMIT)" and includes a description: "ComMIT is an internet-enabled interface to the community tsunami model developed by the NOAA Center for Tsunami Research (NCTR)". Below this are several links: "ComMIT Background and General Description", "ComMIT documents from IOTWS Archive", "ComMIT User Guide and Help", "Screen Snapshots of ComMIT", "Download software & Group email (requires password)", "Model Benchmarking - New!", "ComMIT Training", and "If you are interested in ComMIT Training, let us know by email". On the right side, there is a 3D visualization of a coastal area with a color-coded inundation map. A caption below the image reads: "Computer modeled tsunami inundation from a great Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake for the coastal community of Ocean Shores, Washington. Screen snapshot of model results displayed in Google Earth." The footer contains the PMEL logo, contact information for the NOAA Center for Tsunami Research, and a YouTube logo.

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Stage 1: Landslide

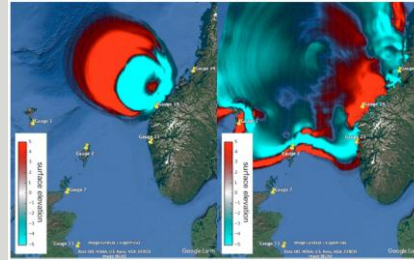
Large number of parameters controlling run-out

- ↗ Densities
- ↗ Hydrodynamic drag
- ↗ Yield strength
- ↗ Remolding



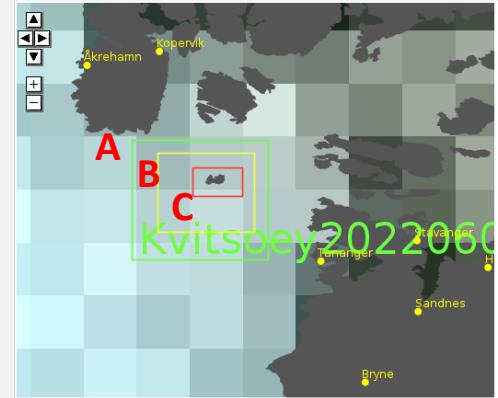
Output:
Sea floor heights as a function of time

Stage 2: Tsunami («global»)

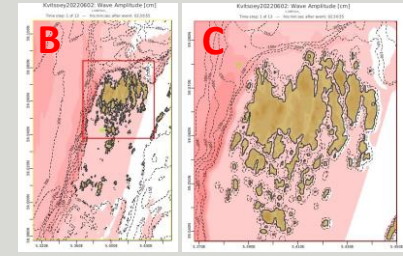


Output:
Sea surface heights and wave velocities
as a function of time

Select coastline of interest:



Stage 3: Tsunami («local»)



Modelling inundation from the Storegga slide is performed in 3 different stages:

➤ 1) Modelling the landslide

BingClaw: Simulates the dynamics of cohesive landslides

- There are many variables controlling the volume, duration, runout, and dynamics of the slide.
- We need to perform a sensitivity study on the controlling parameters and find what best agrees with observations.

We need validation!

- Validation by comparison with bathymetric runout observations
- Validation (when combined with tsunami simulation) of run-up heights.

Modelling inundation from the Storegga slide is performed in 3 different stages:

1) Modelling the landslide: validation by runout

BingClaw: Simulates the dynamics of cohesive landslides

(from Kim et al: <https://doi.org/10.1029/2018JC014893>)

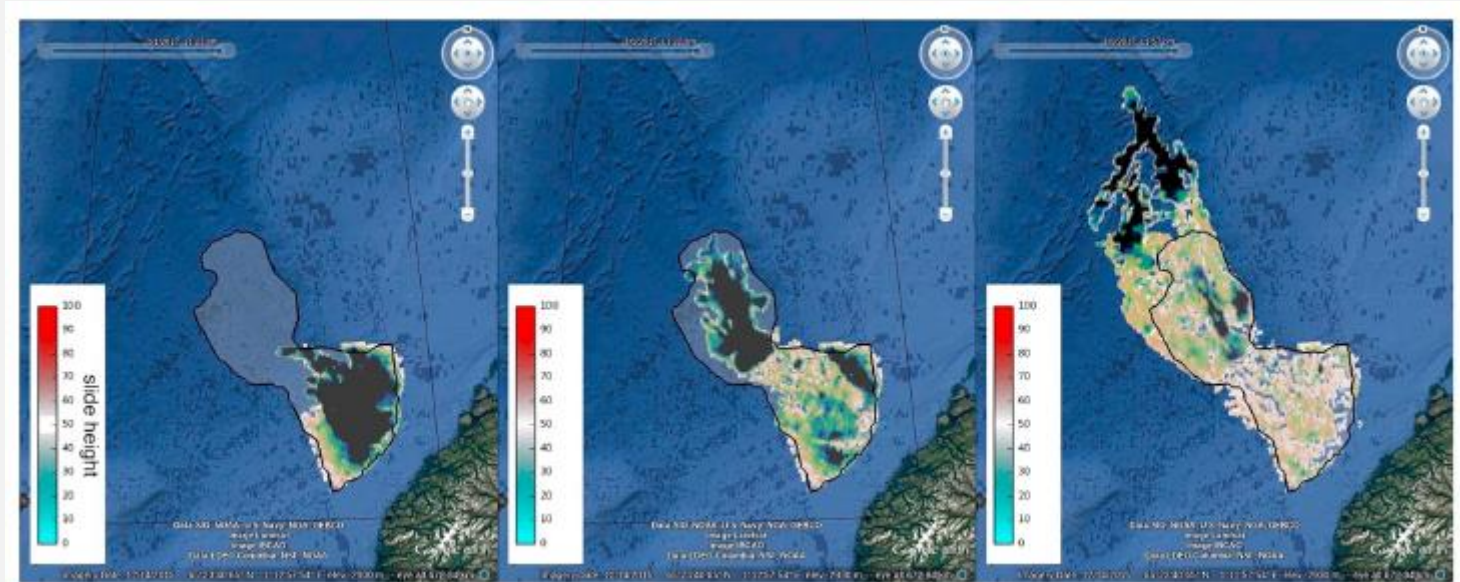


Figure 6. Final runout of the Storegga slide for three cases, simulated with BingClaw: $(\tau_{y,0}, \tau_{y,\infty}, \Gamma) = (15 \text{ kPa}, 3.5 \text{ kPa}, 5 \times 10^{-5})$, $(12 \text{ kPa}, 3 \text{ kPa}, 5 \times 10^{-4})$, and $(7 \text{ kPa}, 1 \text{ kPa}, 5 \times 10^{-2})$ (from left to right). The deposit inferred from the bathymetric analysis is indicated by the black line.

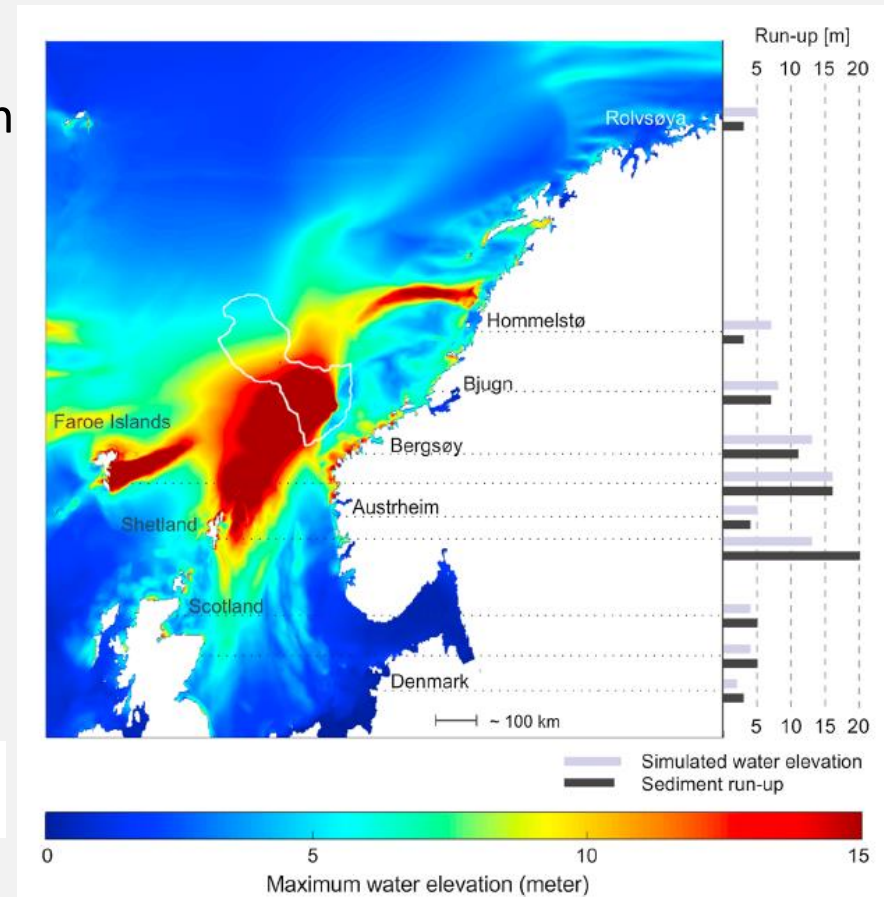
Modelling inundation from the Storegga slide is performed in 3 different stages:

1) Modelling the landslide: validation by tsunami run-up comparison

- There are run-up observations and numerous coastal locations along the affected coastlines.
- A coupled landslide-tsunami model provides time-series of wave-heights for specified locations and we can evaluate which models best fit the observations.

(from Løvholt et al: <https://doi.org/10.1002/2017GL074062>)

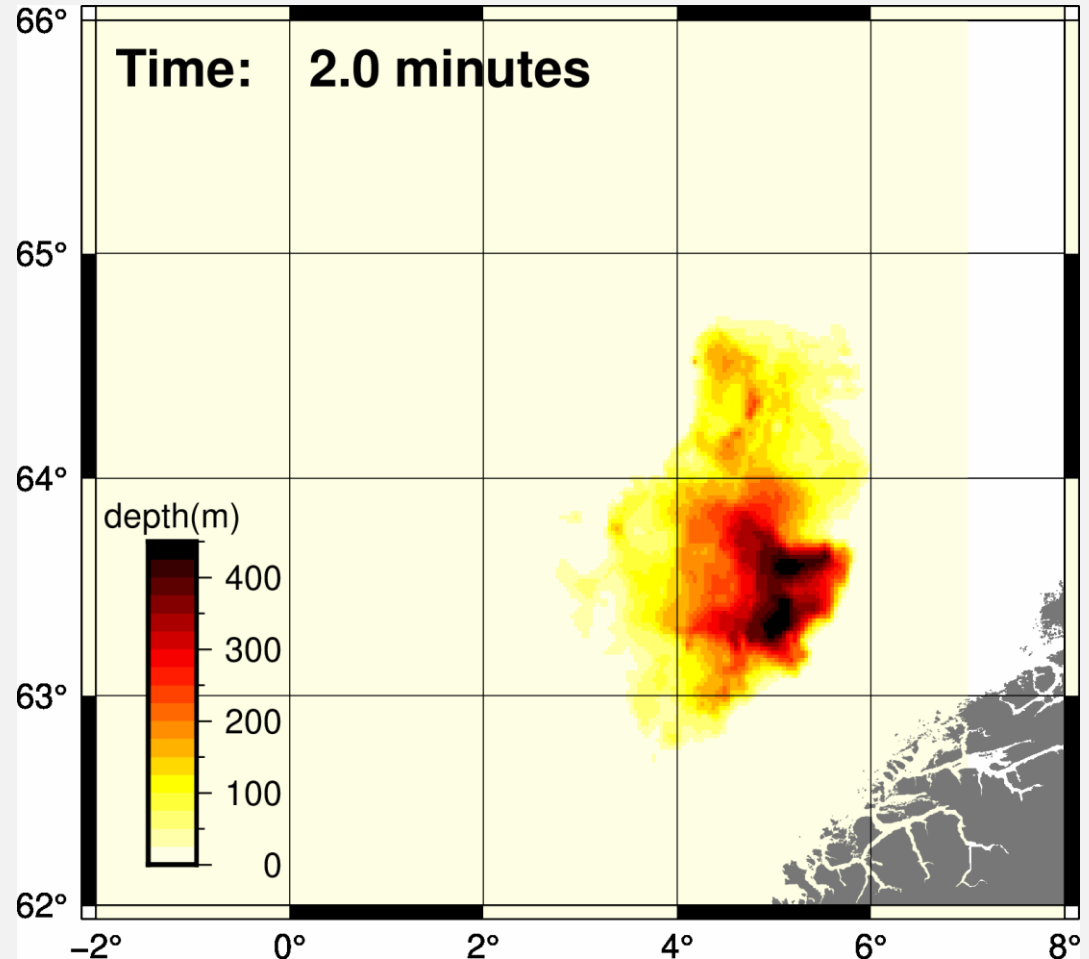
Figure 3. Maximum water elevation for the Storegga Slide tsunami, simulated using the debris flow landslide source. Blue-purple bars show the simulated elevations close to the field sites, black bars show the mean observation heights of sediment run-up [Smith et al., 2004; Bondevik et al., 2005; Romundset and Bondevik, 2011; Fruergaard et al., 2015].



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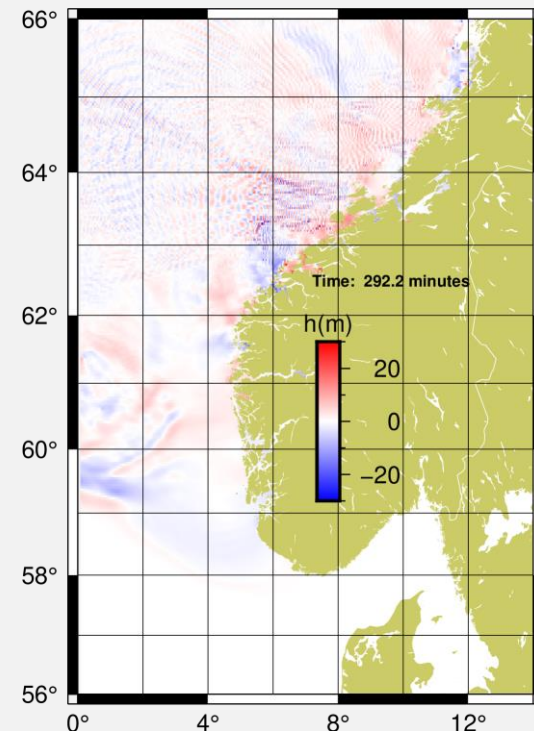
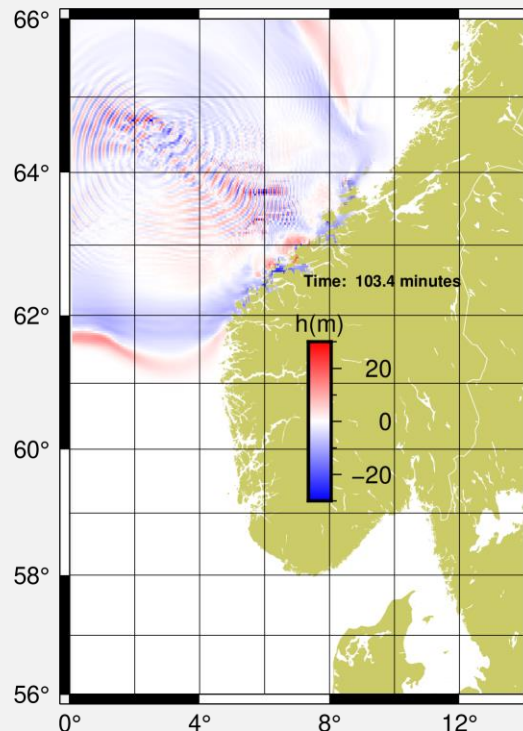
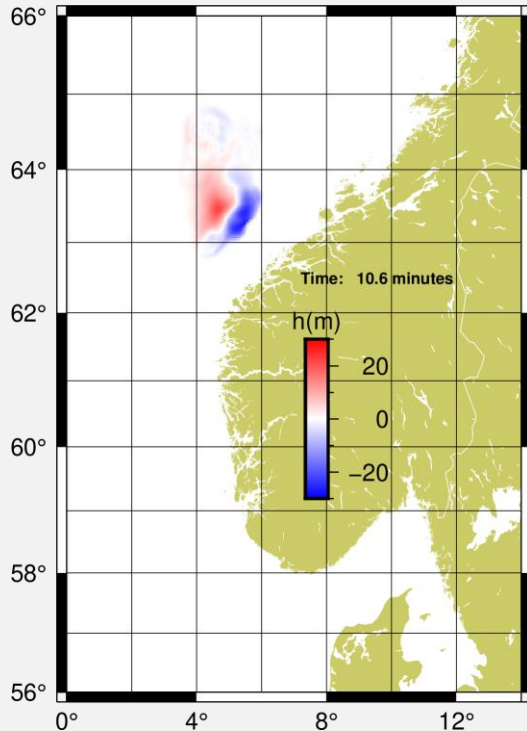
- Visco-plastic landslide model.
- Writes out height of deposit at regular intervals.
- This changing sea-floor forces the wave-motion in the tsunami simulation.



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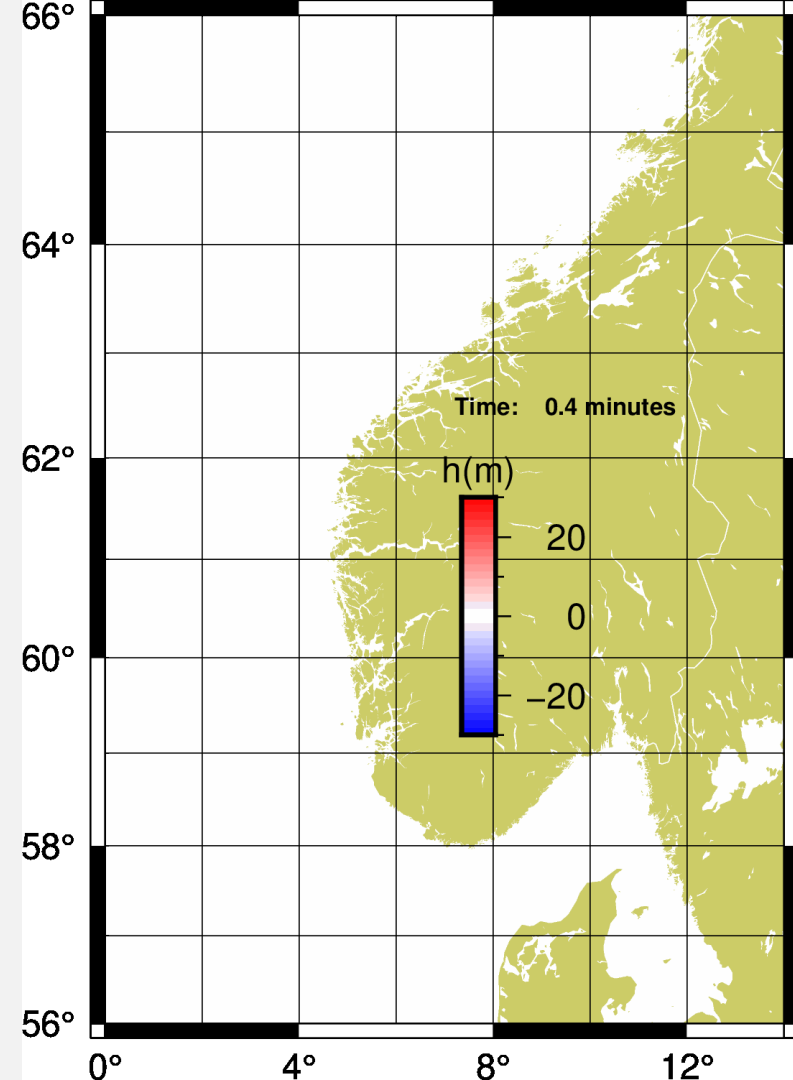
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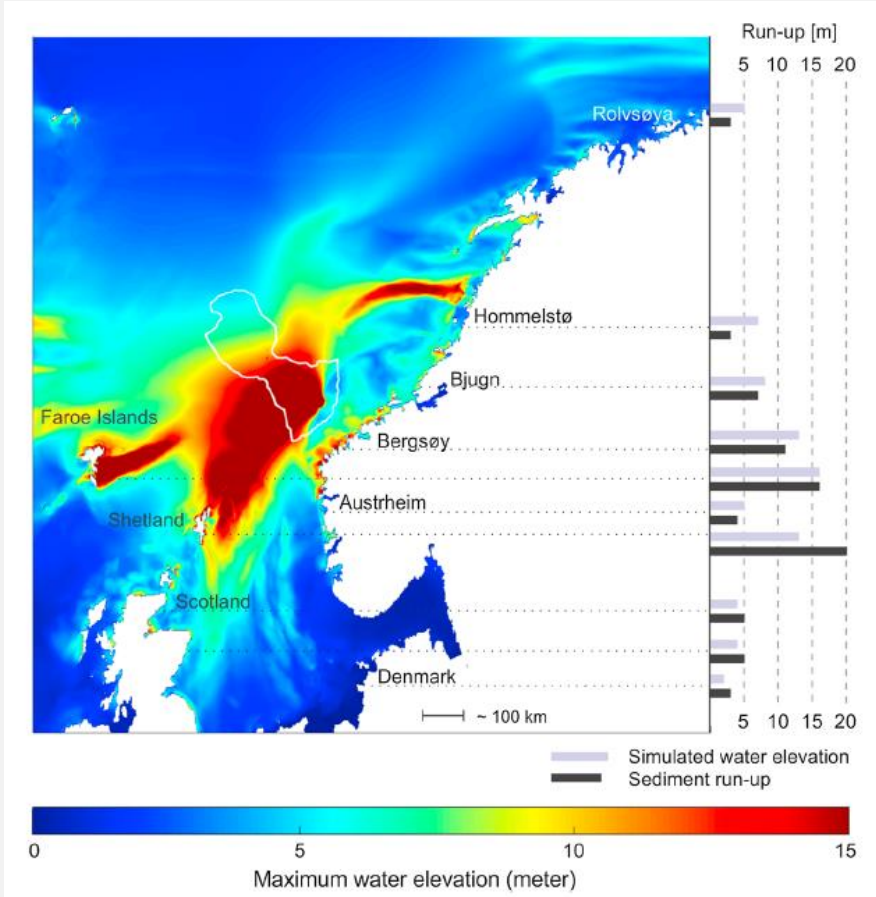
- Approximately 3 hours from the slide initiation are displayed in this animation.
- Notice that the first motion is dominated by very long waves.
- The speed and height of the wavefront varies significantly with direction.



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- We can also calculate the maximum water elevation for all locations and the maximum flow velocities.
- The velocities – and/or the momentum flux – can often be a more pertinent metric of the tsunami impact than the height alone.



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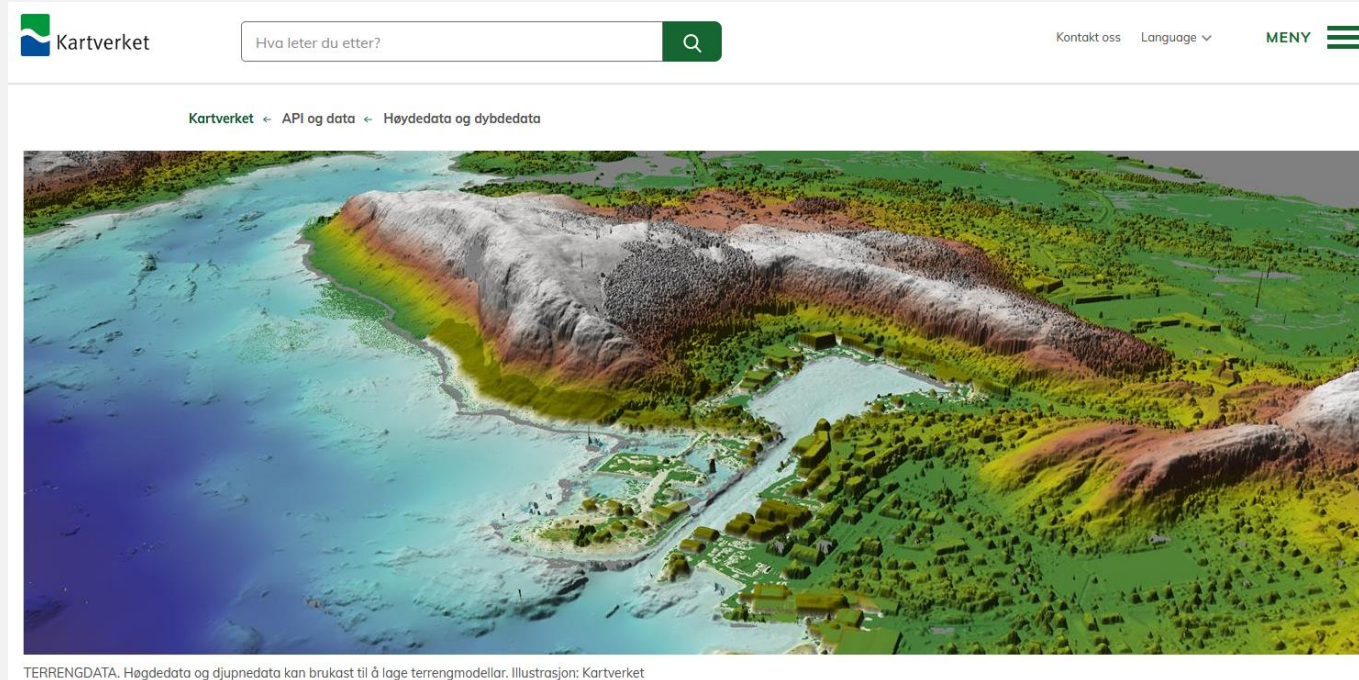
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Figure:
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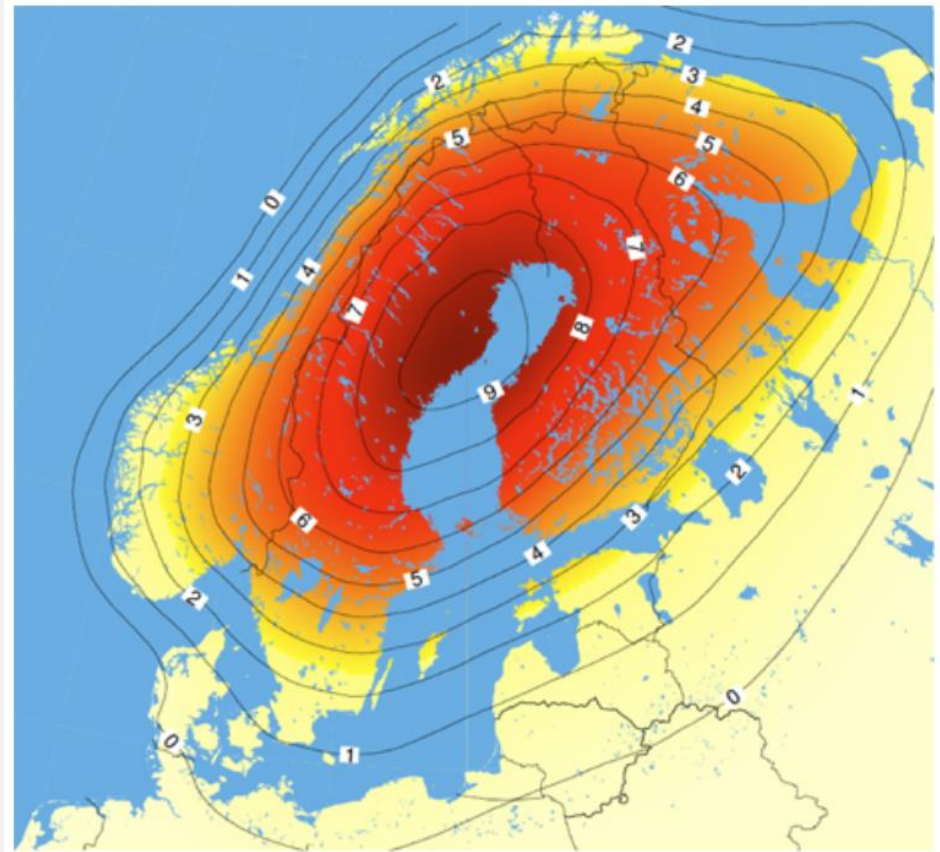
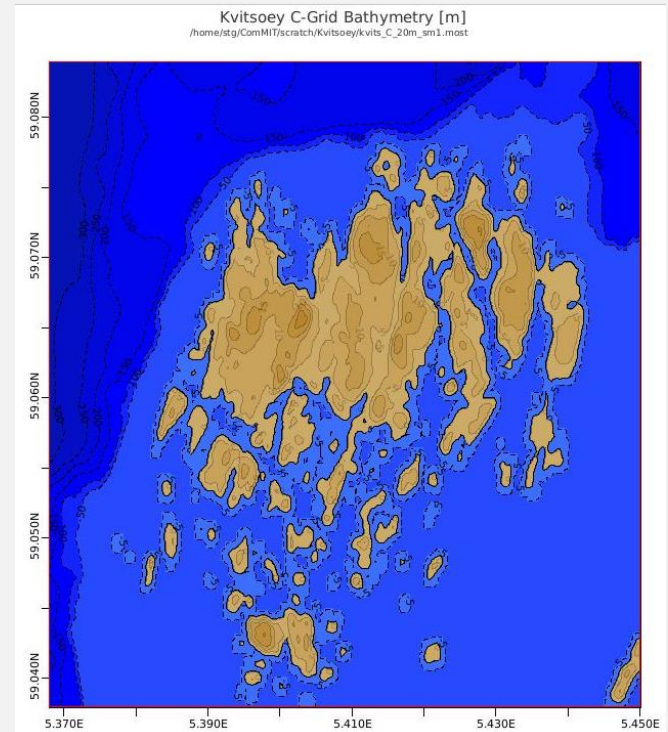
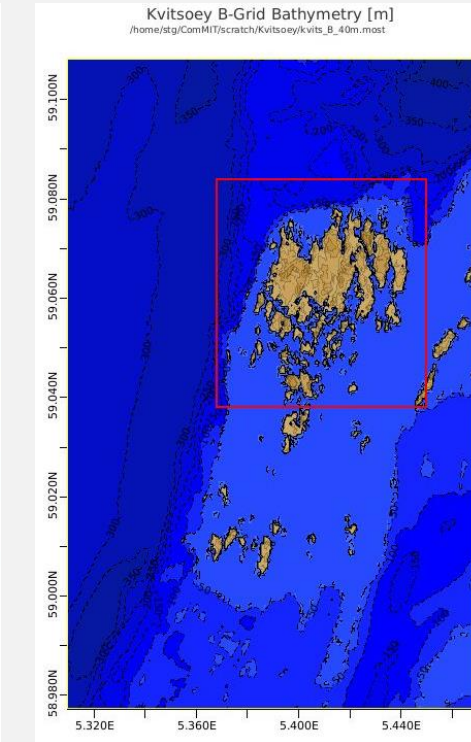
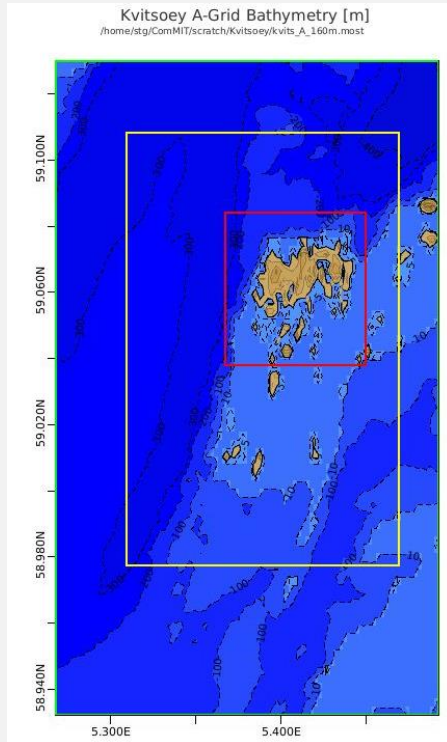


Figure 1. Fennoscandian land uplift (mm/yr) relative to the centre of the Earth.

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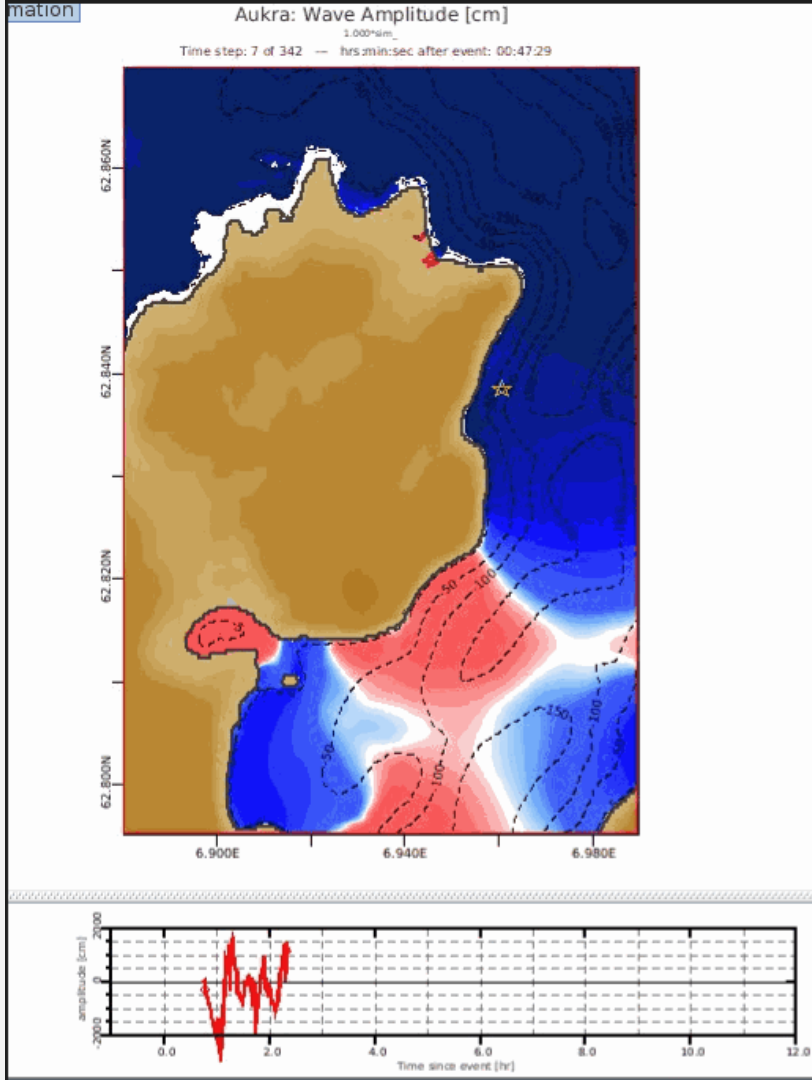


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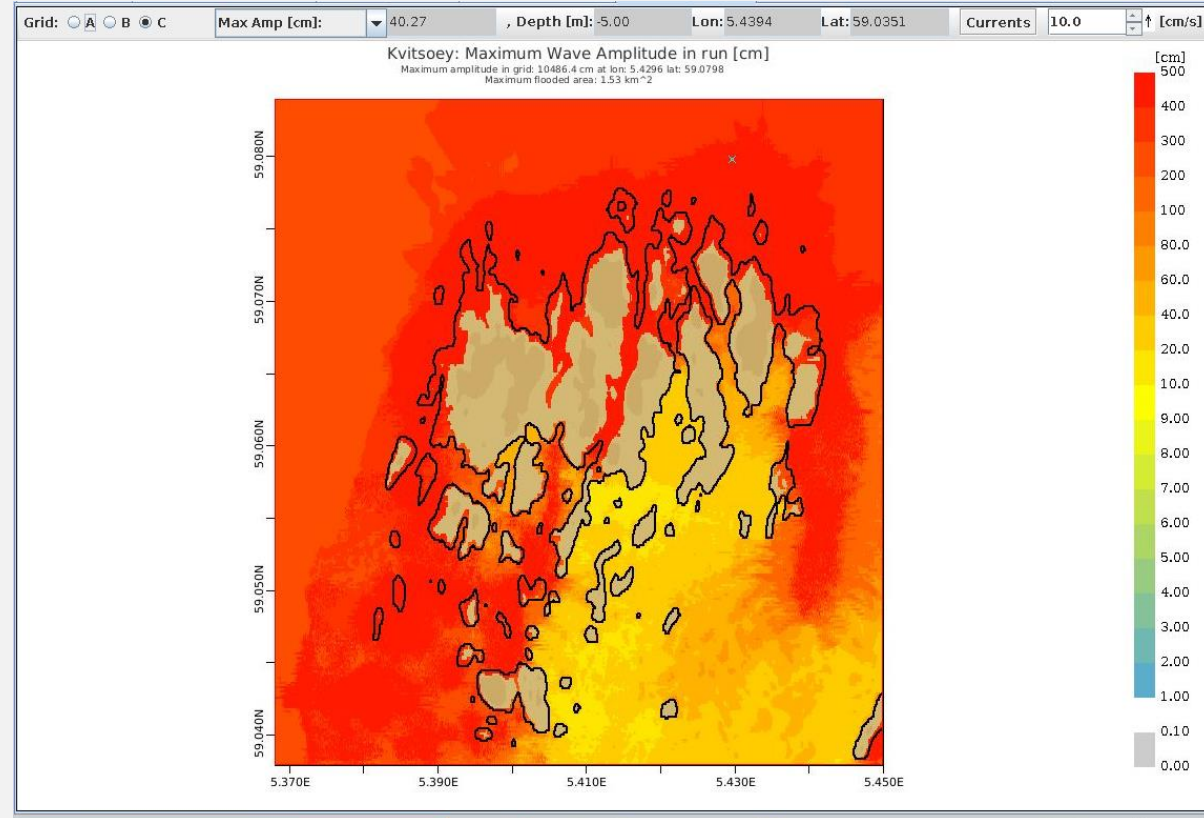


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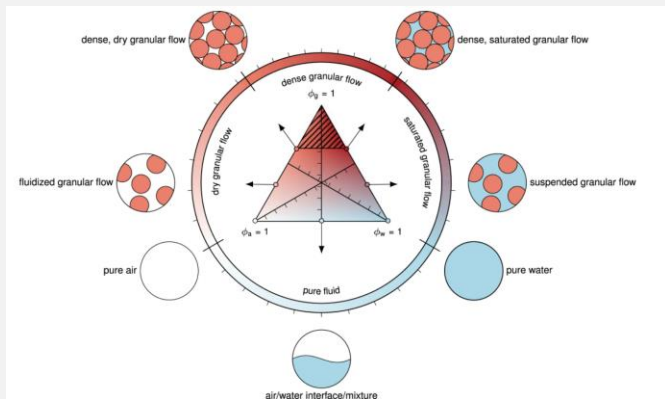
Background

- H2020 EU project SLATE PhD student Matthias Rauter developed a novel landslide tsunami model → Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) model in OpenFOAM
- Available by the end of the SLATE project
- Need to for NGI to take advantage of the unique model
- Basis for filling gap in basic physical understanding

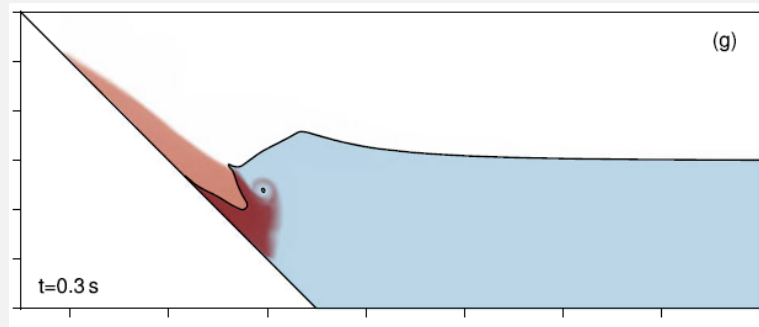


Main novel aspects of the model

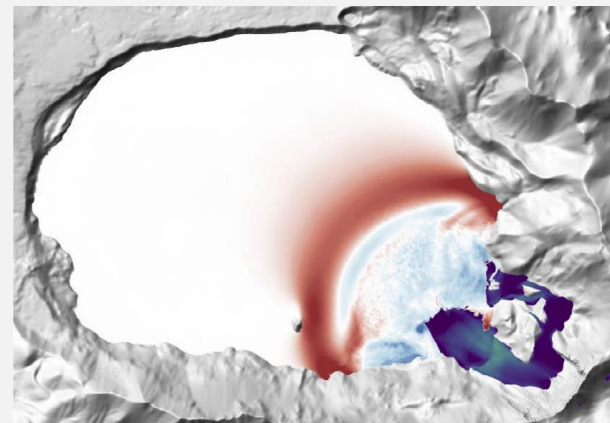
Multi-phase coupling,
porous landslide



Simulating lab scale experiments



To full 3D simulations



Advanced landslide rheology from
solid to granular behaviour

$$\nu_g = \mu(I) \frac{p_s}{2\phi\rho_g} \frac{1}{\|S_g\|},$$

$$\mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_d - \mu_s}{I_0/I + 1},$$

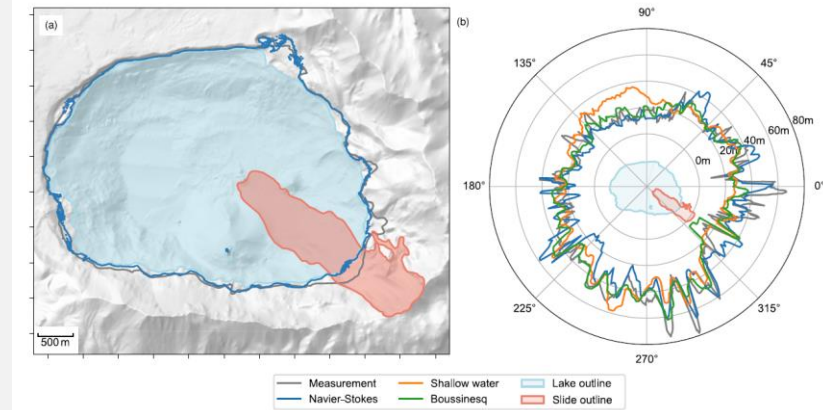
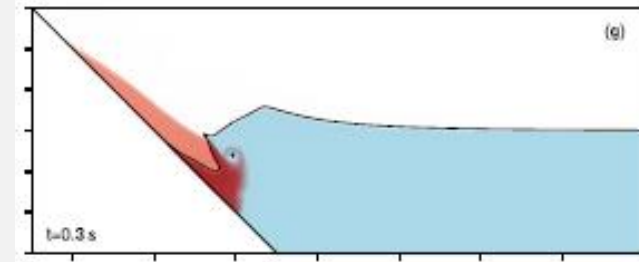
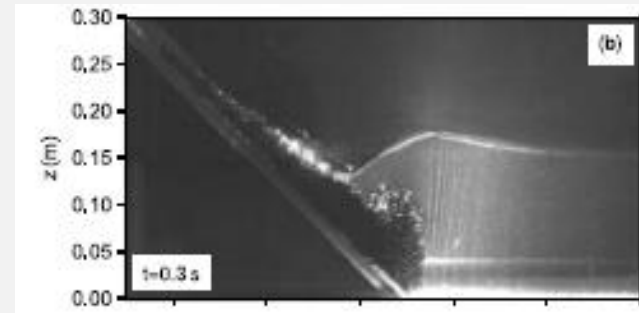
$$I = \frac{2d\|S_g\|}{\sqrt{p_s/\rho_g}}.$$

$$S_g = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla u_g + (\nabla u_g)^T) - \frac{1}{3}\nabla \cdot u_g \mathbf{I},$$

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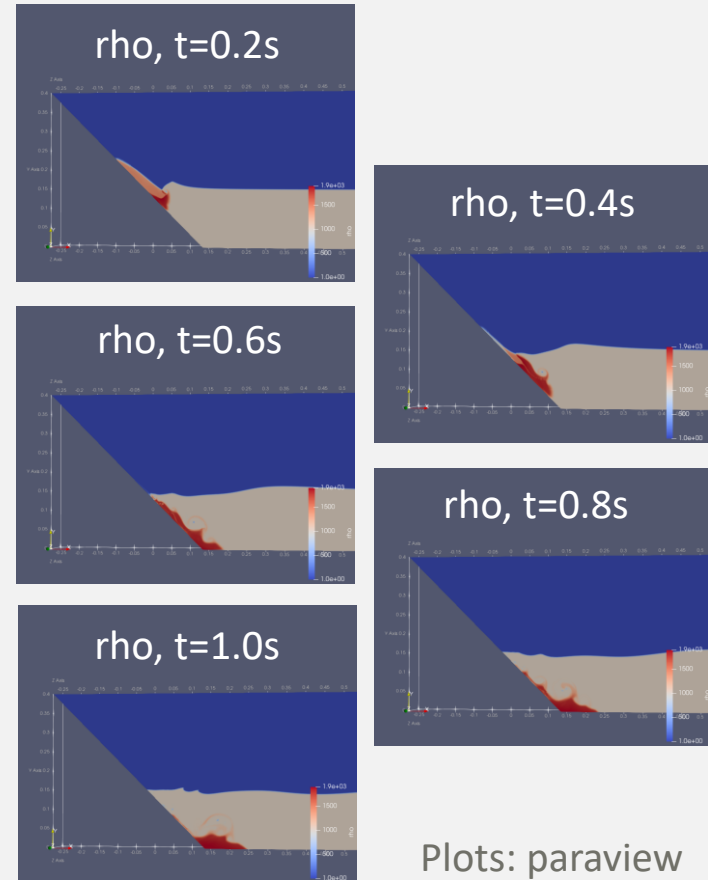
Main scientific findings

- First model matching consistently **both landslide AND tsunami observations** from the laboratory to the field scale
- Close agreement with both landslide run-out and wave observations
- Advanced landslide material behaviour, direct simulation with **no attempt to calibrate** the landslide parameters
- Fundamental leap forward of the complexity can model of landslide-tsunamis



From lab experiments to large scale landslides?

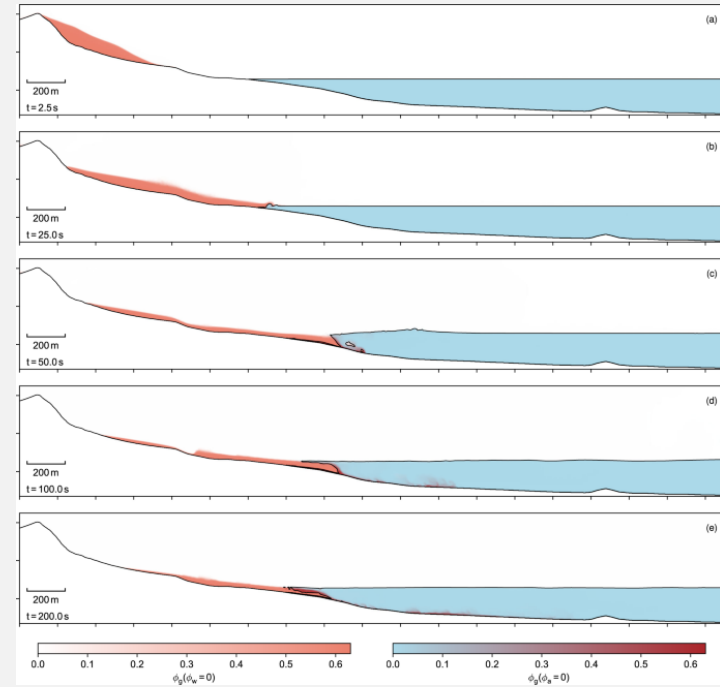
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Plots: paraview

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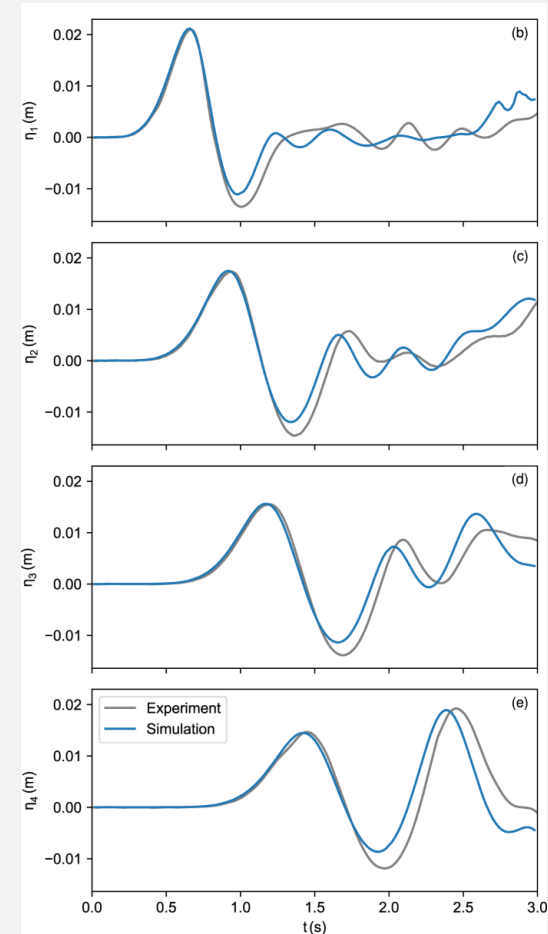
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Above: snapshots of Lake Askja simulation calculated by Matti Rauter.

Next steps

- Run and compare model results in 2D towards models use by NGI today
- NGI operational models used in practical projects
 - Depth averaged landslide, tsunami
 - Do not take into account all physics of impact
- CFD model
 - Full 3D, but too resource intensive for use in projects
 - Closely benchmarked with experiments
- Possible outcome – tuned depth averaged models in practical consulting project and R&D based on advanced physics
 - More confidence and less uncertainty in hazard maps?



Conclusions

- ↗ Numerical simulations are necessary to estimate tsunami hazard!
- ↗ HPC (High Performance Computing) is needed for
 - Capability Computing (how fast/how large/how complex)
 - Capacity Computing (vast numbers of calculations e.g. for uncertainty)
 - Urgent Computing (great time constraints)
- ↗ Simulation allows us to estimate the impact of ancient landslide tsunamis
- ↗ Likely advances in source physics in future tsunami modelling



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