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TSUNAMI

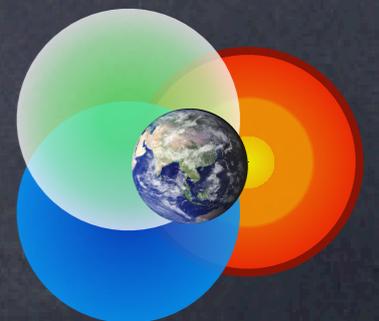
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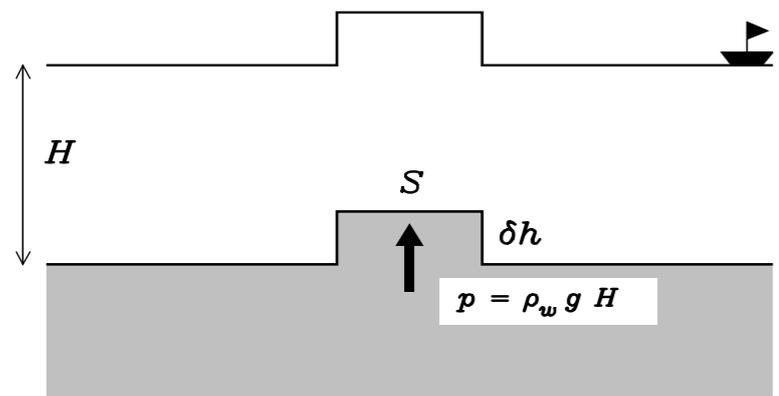
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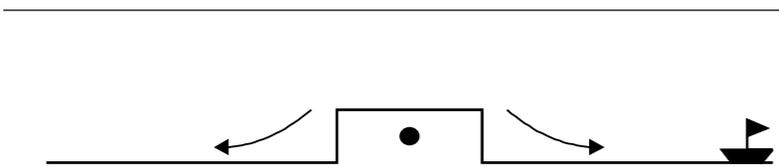
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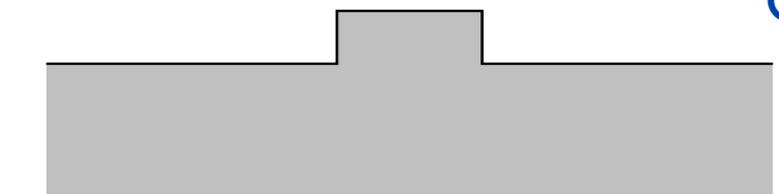
Very basic tsunami physics...



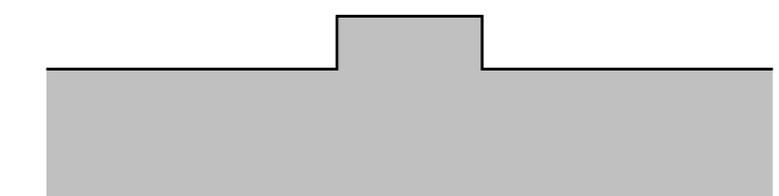
Bottom uplift
&
Waterberg
formation



Center of mass falls...



Potential
energy goes to
tsunami energy



Energy

$$\log E_R \approx 5.0 + 1.5M$$

$$E_T = \frac{1}{2} \rho g L \lambda (\delta h)^2$$

$$L \sim 10^6 \text{ m}; \lambda \sim 10^4 \text{ m}; \delta h \sim 5 \text{ m}$$

$$E_R \approx 10^{18} \text{ J} \geq 10^2 E_T$$

Wavelength

$$\frac{\lambda}{H} \sim 40; \frac{H}{a} \sim 3 \cdot 10^3$$

$$\lambda \gg H \gg a$$

Tsunami is a shallow-water
gravity wave with great
wavelength and tiny
amplitude

Gravity waves: dispersion

From the expression $F(z) = 2Ae^{-kh} \cosh[k(z+h)]$

the boundary at the top gives the **dispersion relation** for incompressible, irrotational, small amplitude “gravity” waves:

$$\omega^2 = kg \left[\tanh(kh) \right]$$

Deep water
(kh goes to infinity)

$$\omega^2 = kg$$

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} = \sqrt{\frac{g\lambda}{2\pi}}$$

$$u = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{g\lambda}{2\pi}} = \frac{1}{2} c$$

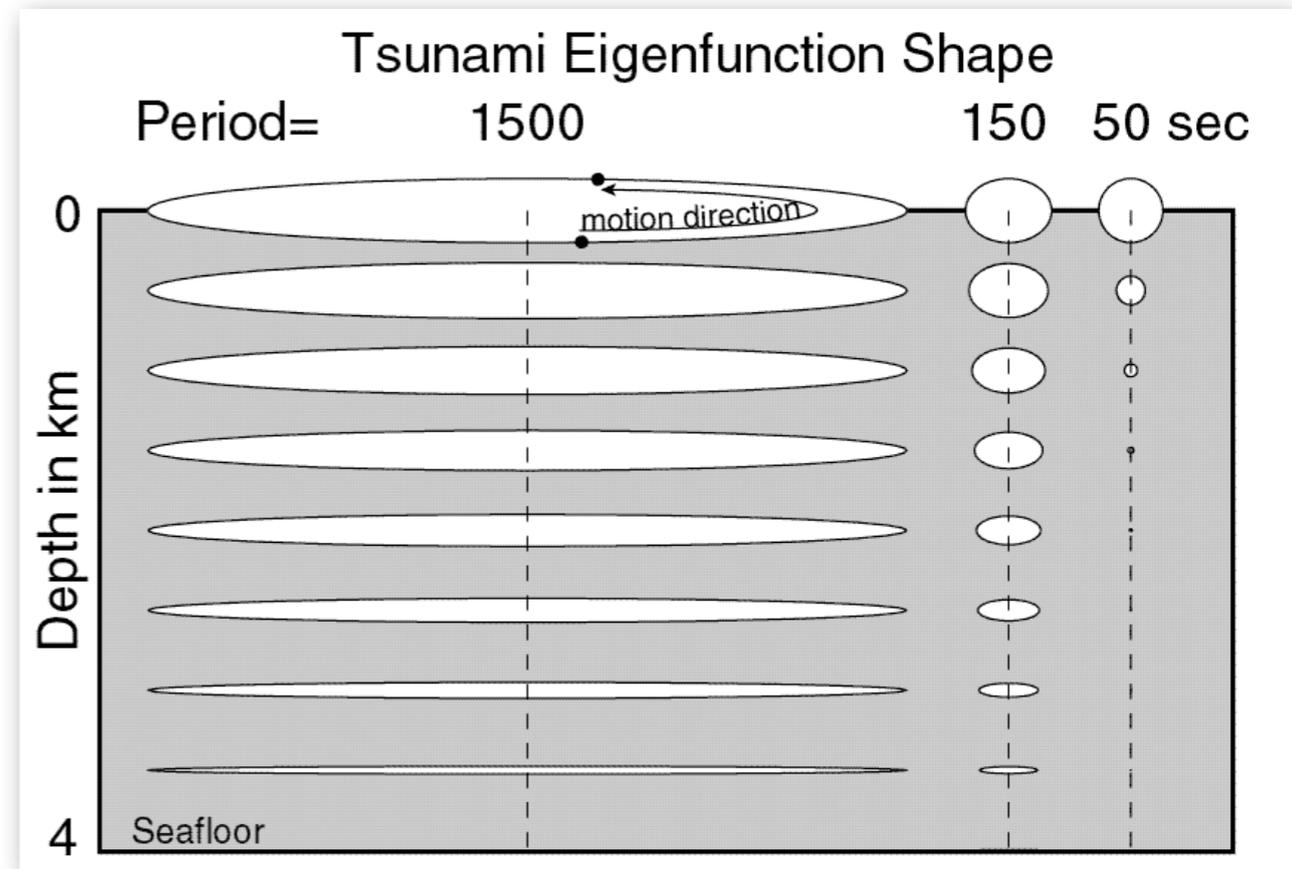
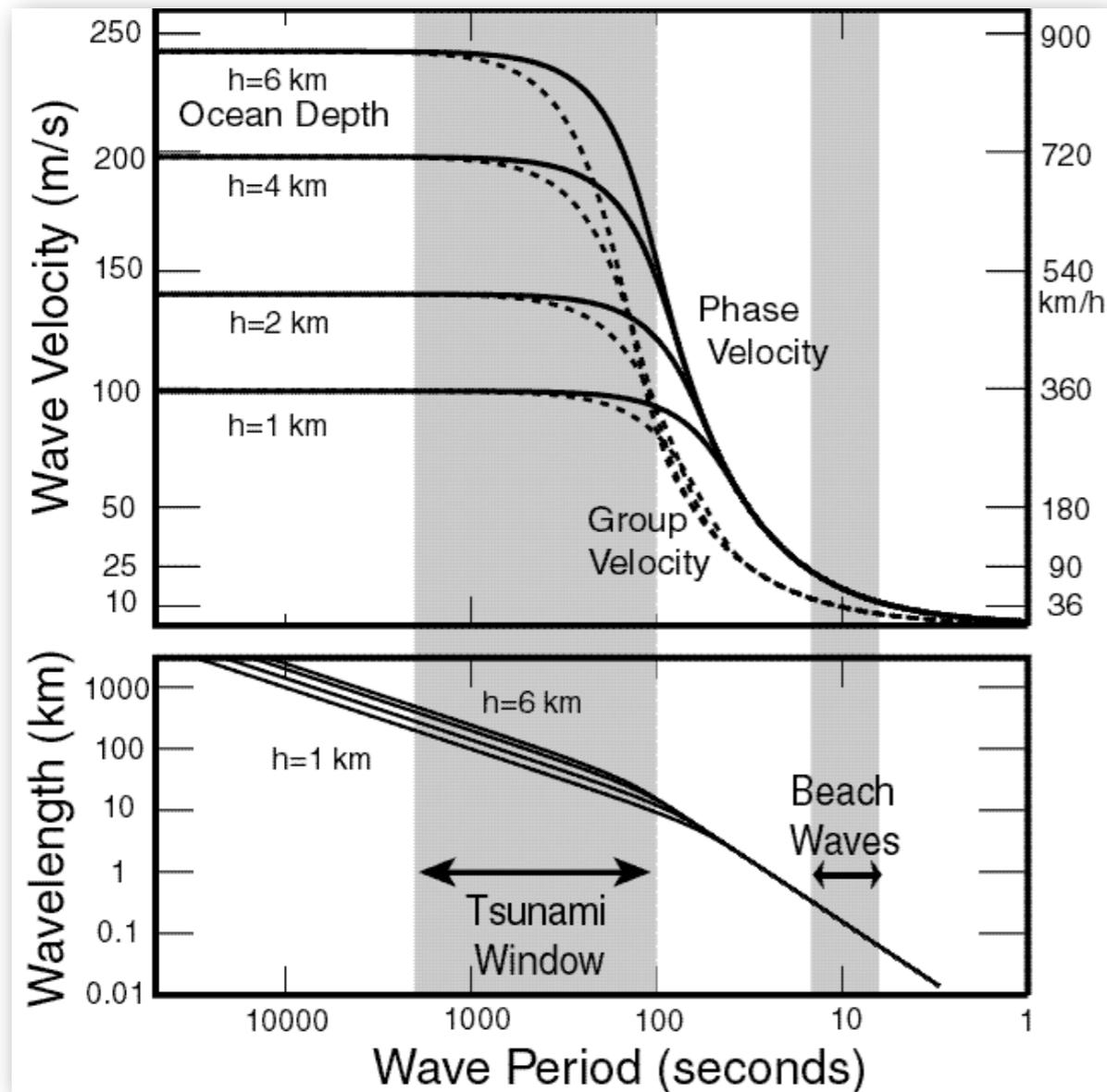
Shallow water
(kh goes to zero)

$$\omega^2 = k^2 gh$$

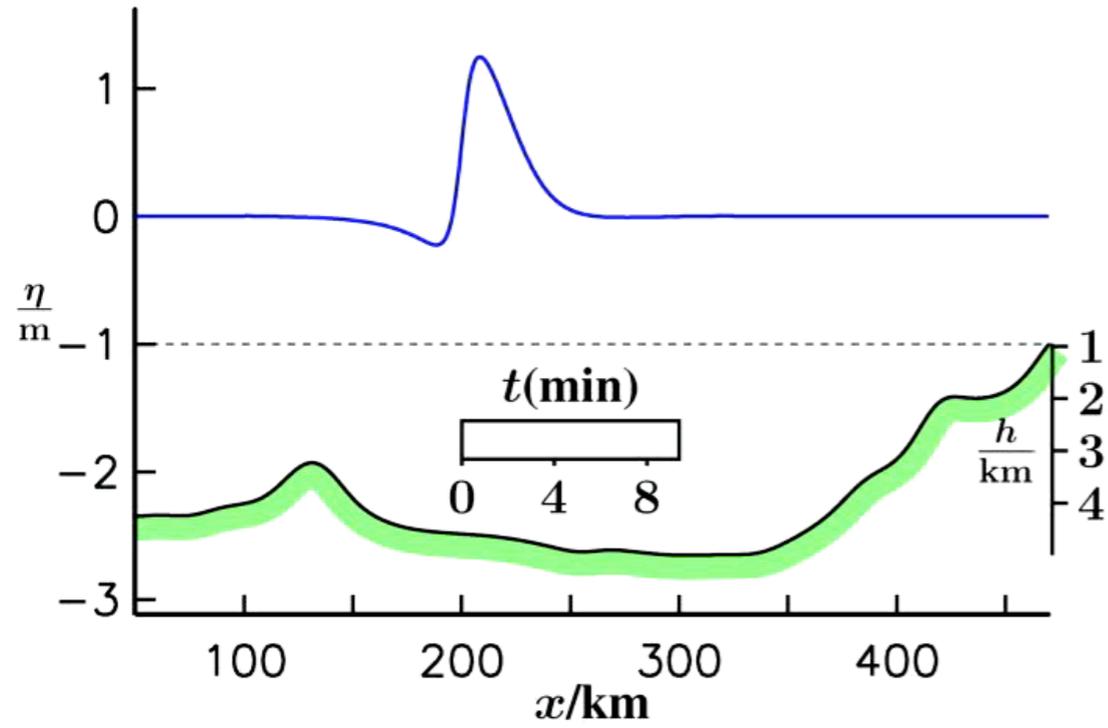
$$c = \sqrt{gh}$$

$$u = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k} = c = \sqrt{gh}$$

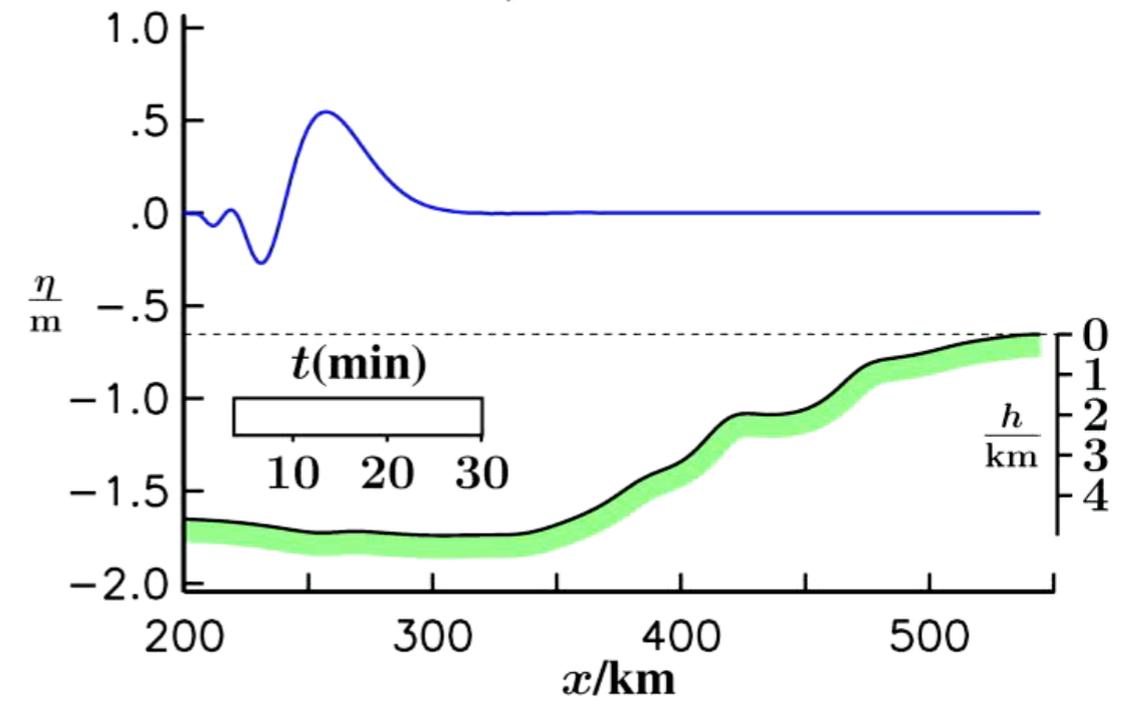
Tsunami eigenvalues & eigenfunctions



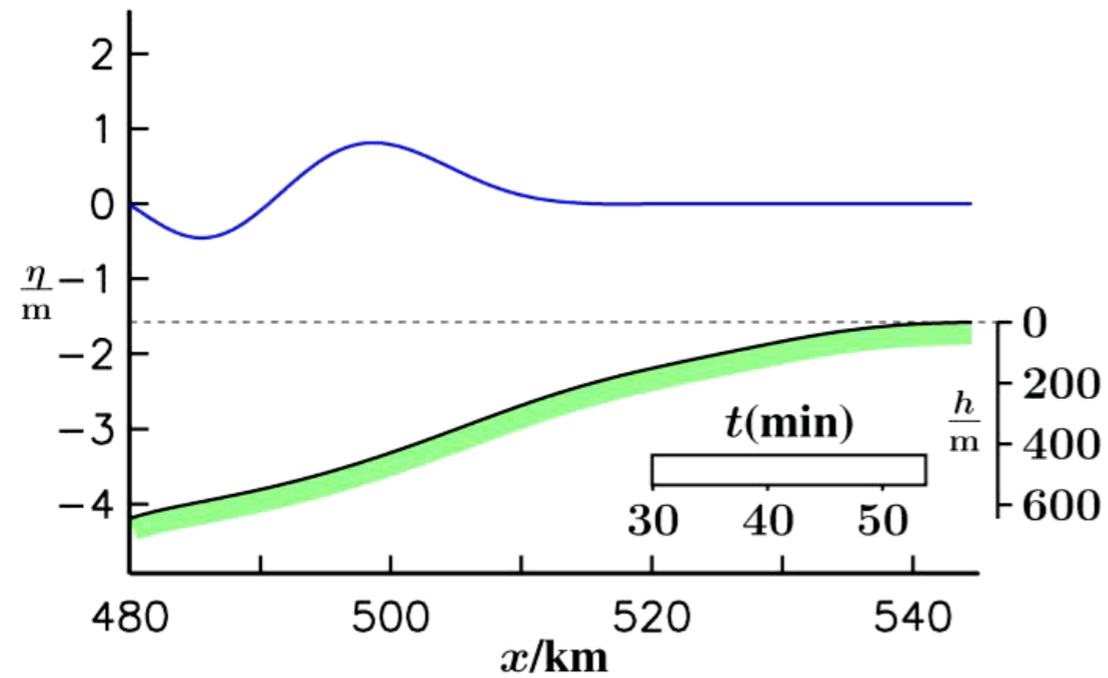
DISPERSION



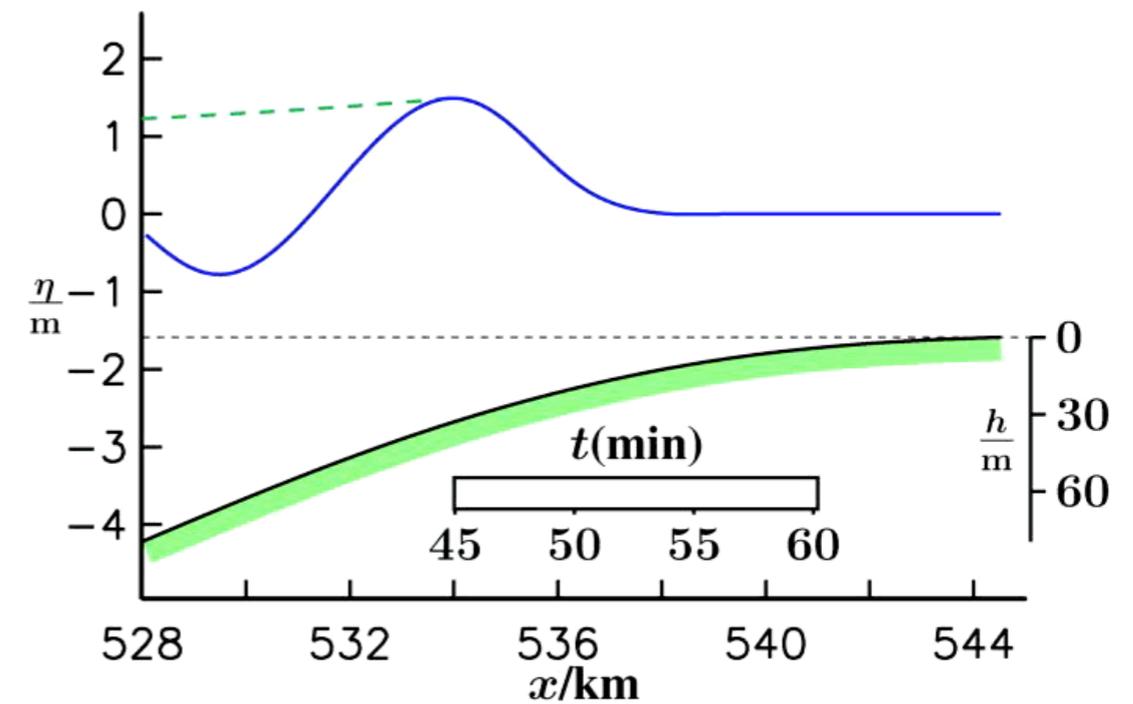
DISPERSION, AMPLIFICATION

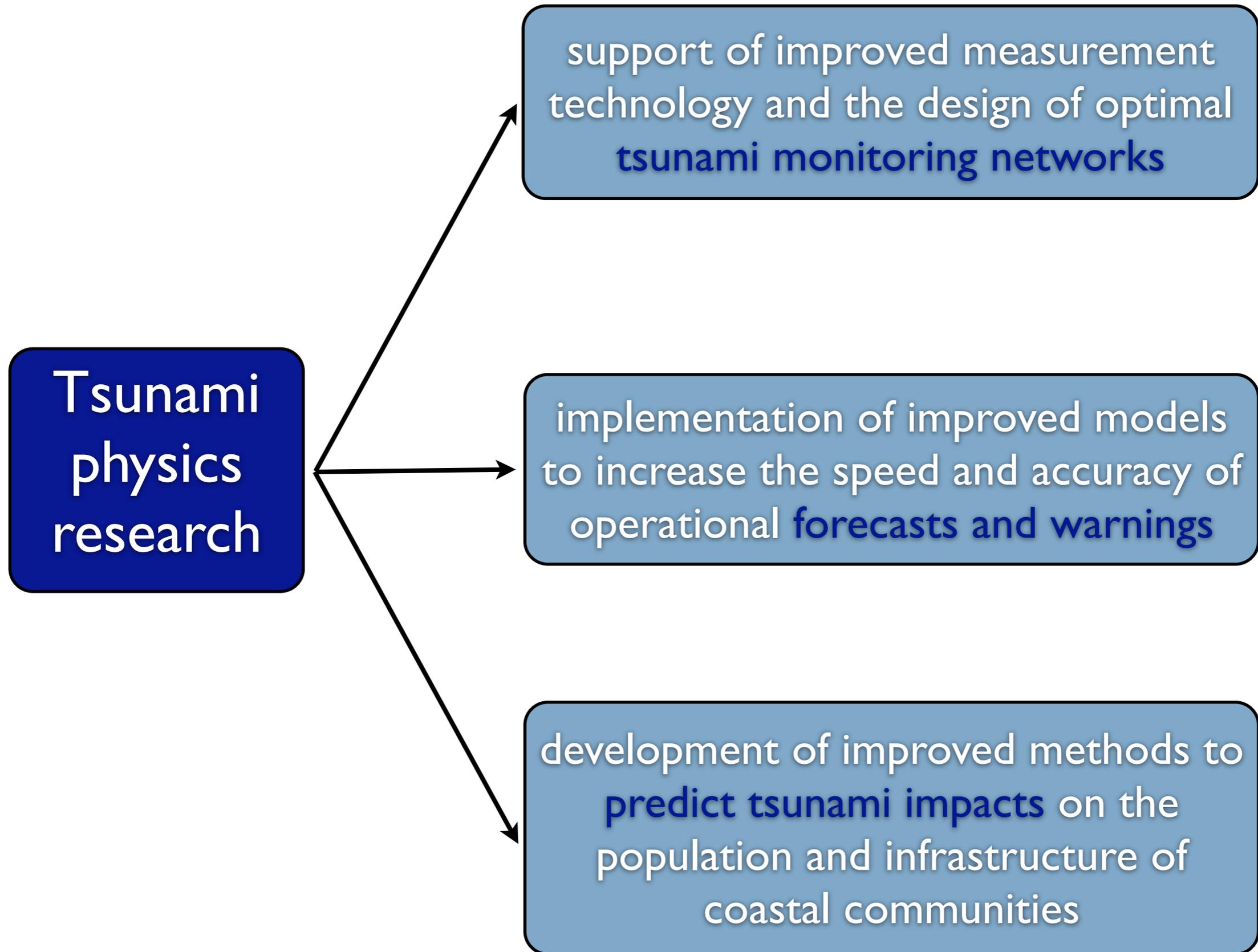


AMPLIFICATION



BORE FORMATION





Tsunami forecast model

● Generation of a database of pre-computed scenarios from potential sources

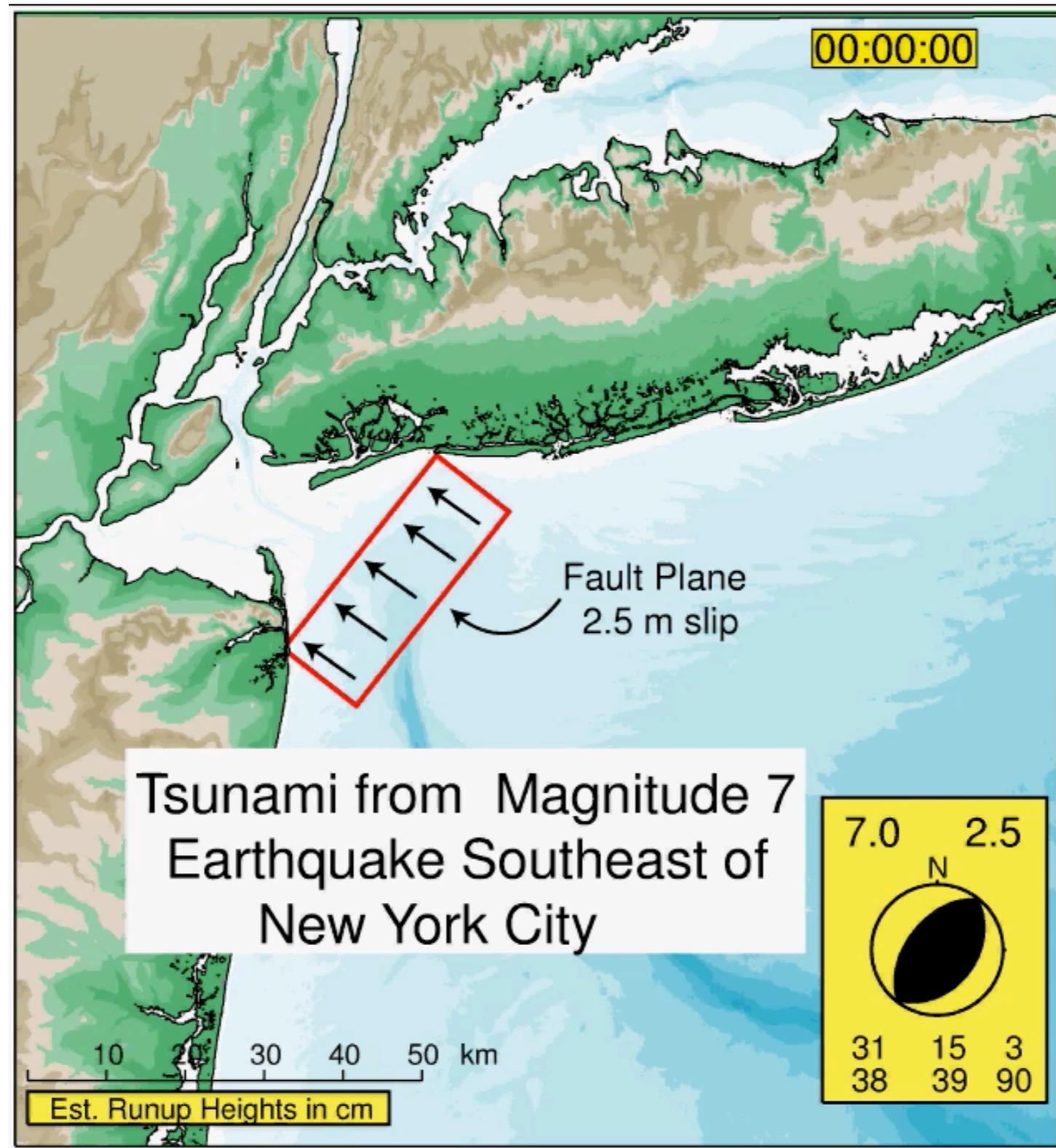
Arrival time
Height
Inundation area

Inundation modelling

Inundation maps

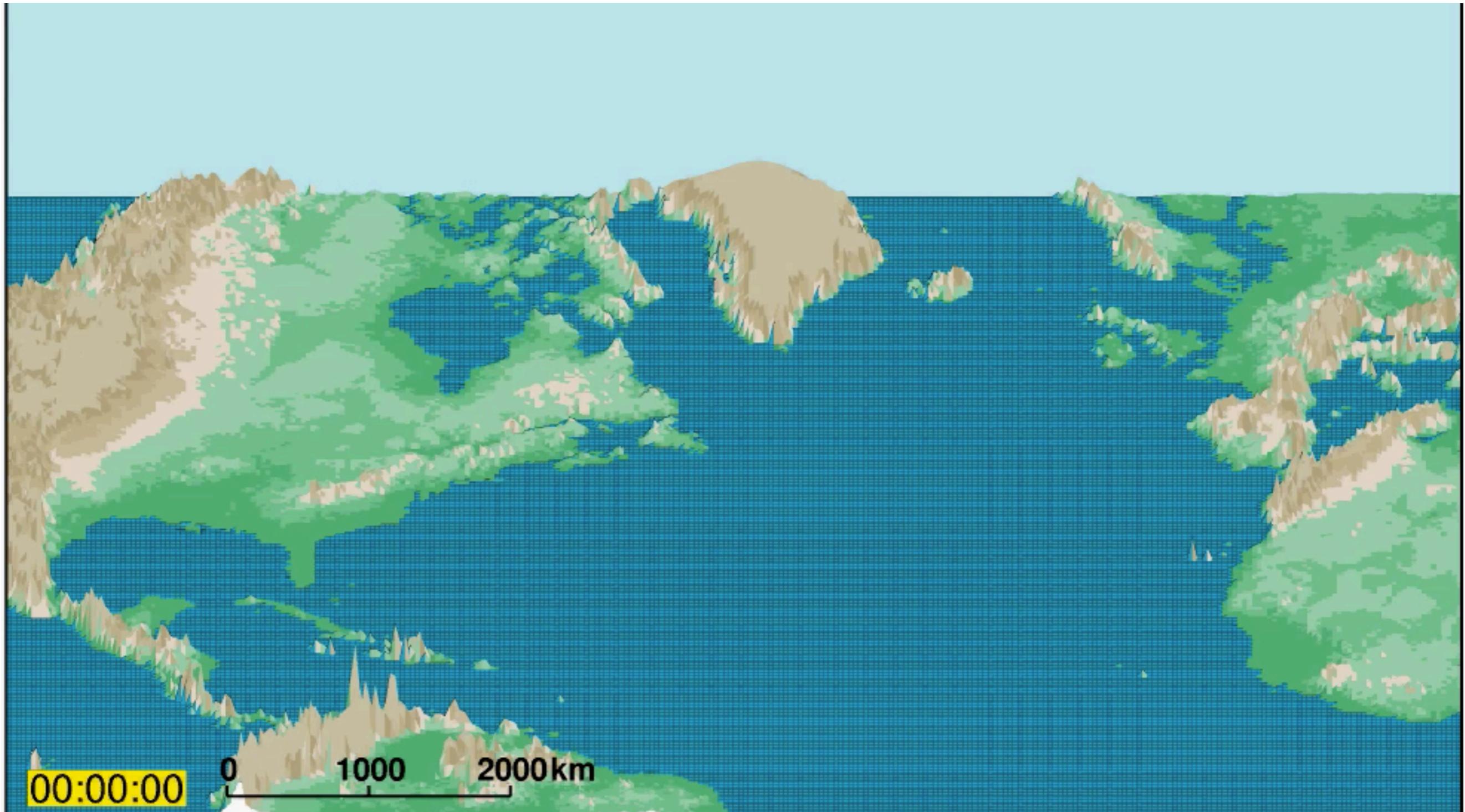
maximum wave height and maximum current speed as a function of location, maximum inundation line, as well as time series of wave height at different locations indicating wave arrival time

New York City Tsunami from M7 Quake



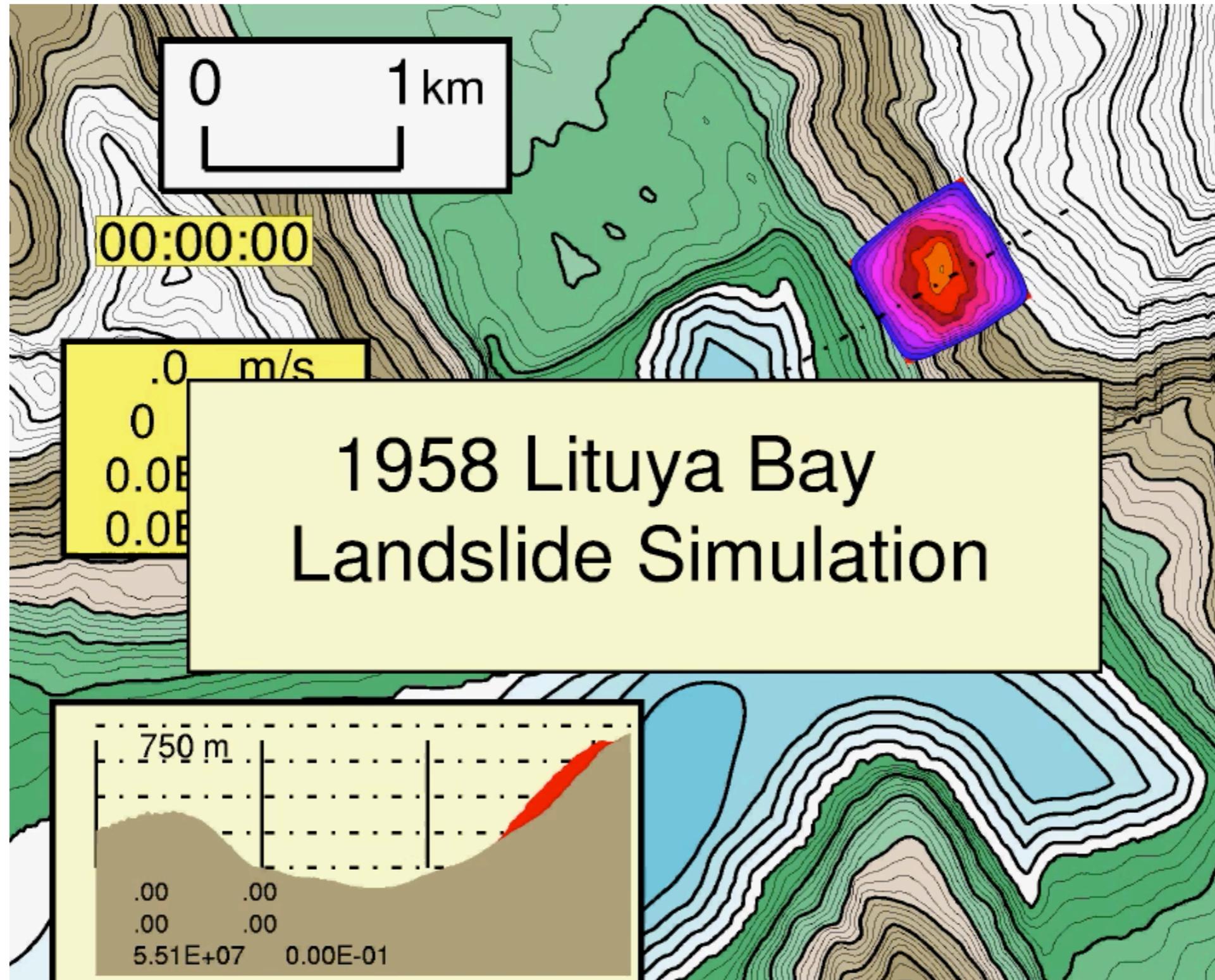
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Atlantic Ocean Asteroid Tsunami Simulation - 3d



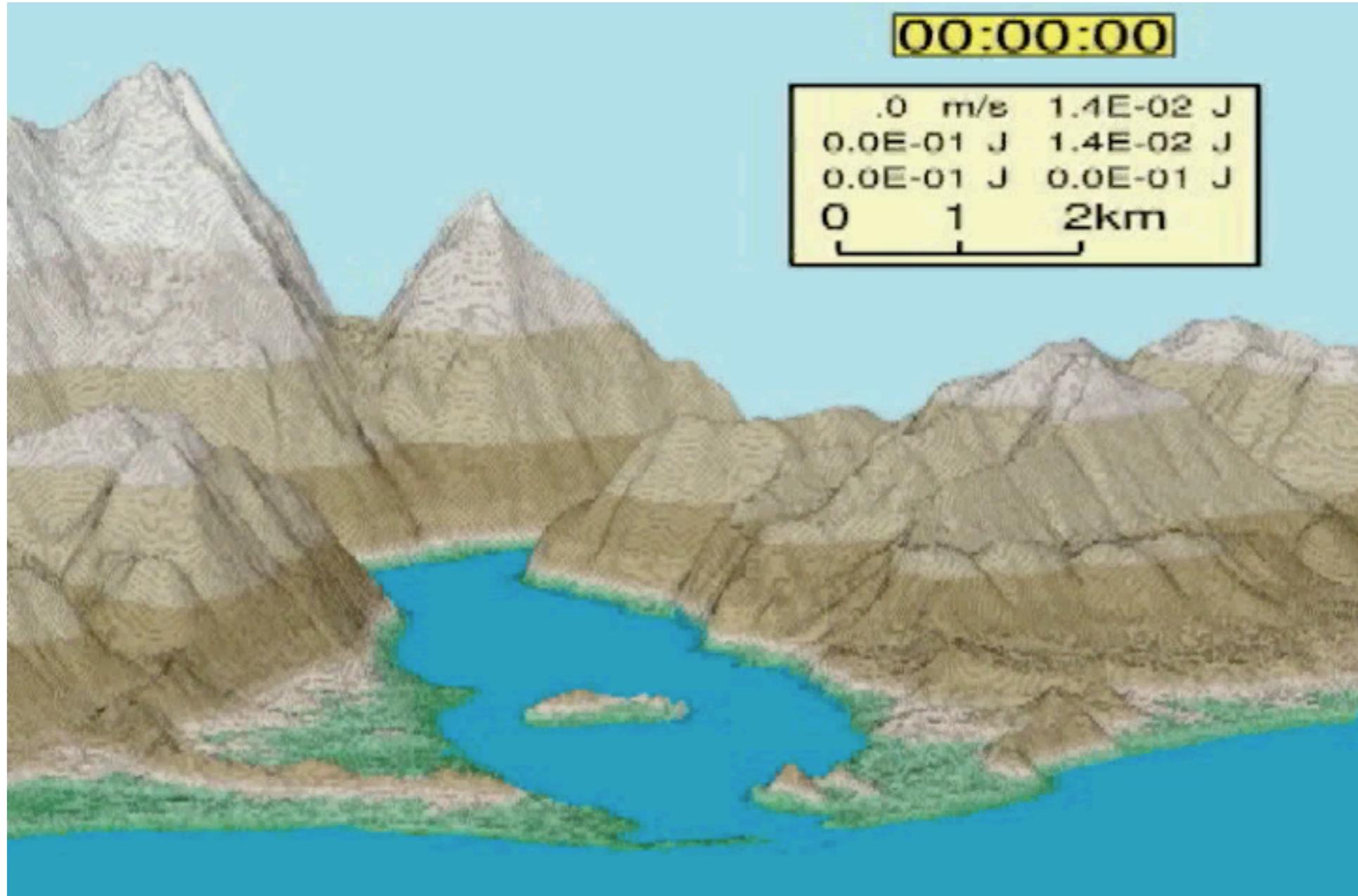
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Santorini Tsunami Simulation 3D

00:00:00

0 50 100 km

Santorini
Explosion
Tsunami
Simulation

0.0E+01
2.0E+16

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Ocean bottom data

The observation record of the ocean bottom pressure gauge.
At around 14:46, the ground motion of the earthquake (M9) reaches the pressure gauge and at TM1 (coast-side), the sea level is gradually rising from that point.

The sea level rose 2 m, and after 11 minutes, the level went drastically up to 3m, which makes 5 m of elevation in total.
At TM2: located 30km toward the land, a same elevation of sea level was recorded with 4 minutes delay from TM1.

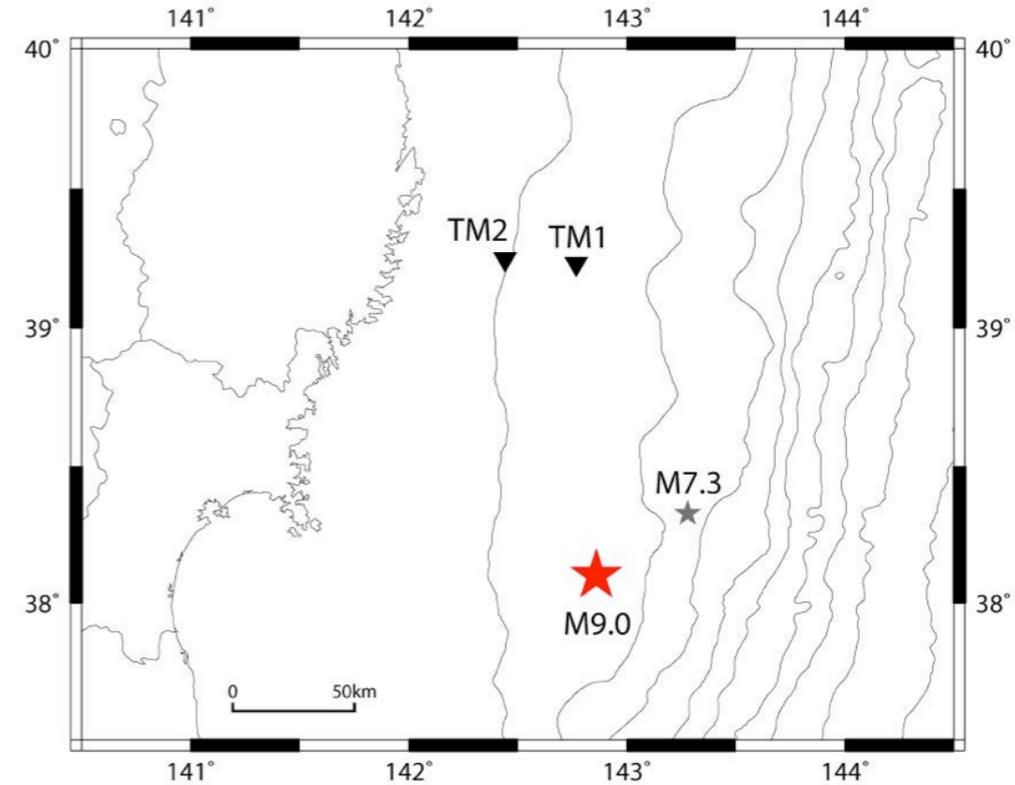


図1 釜石沖ケーブル式海底水圧計の位置

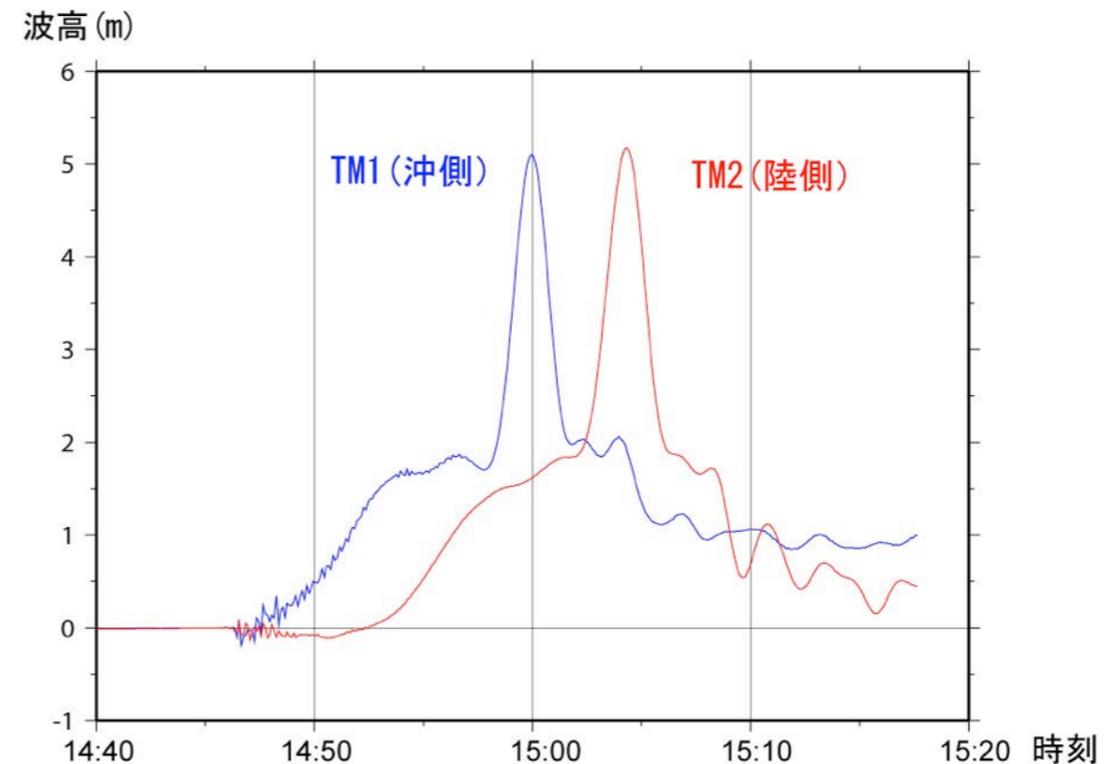
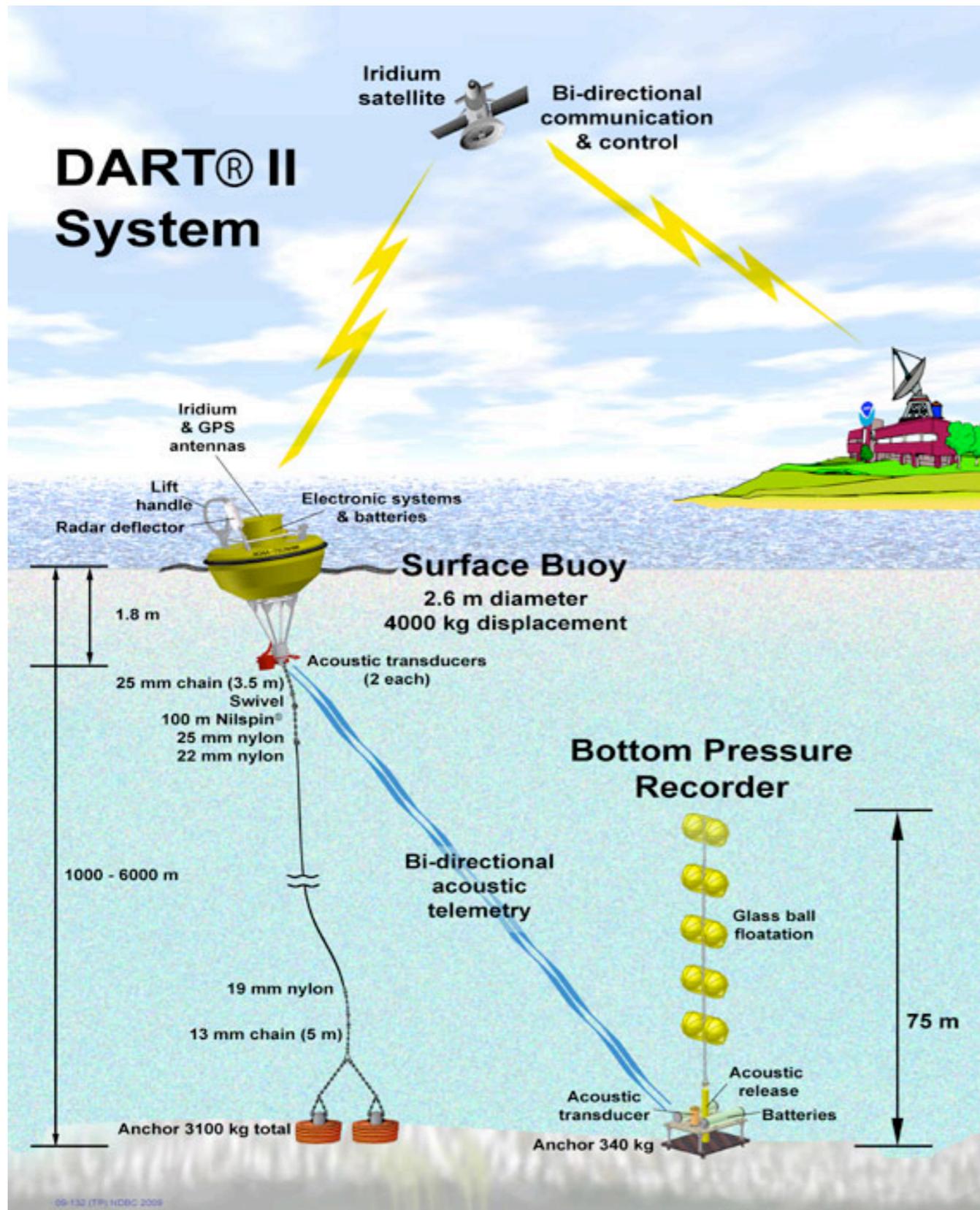


図2 海底水圧計の観測記録。14時46分頃、本震(M9.0)の振動が水圧計に伝わり、TM1(海寄り)では、その時から徐々に海面が上昇している。約2m上昇し、約11分後にはさらに約3m急激に上昇し、合計約5m海面が上昇した。約30km陸寄りに設置されているTM2では、TM1から約4分遅れて同様の海面上昇を記録した。

Dart buoys



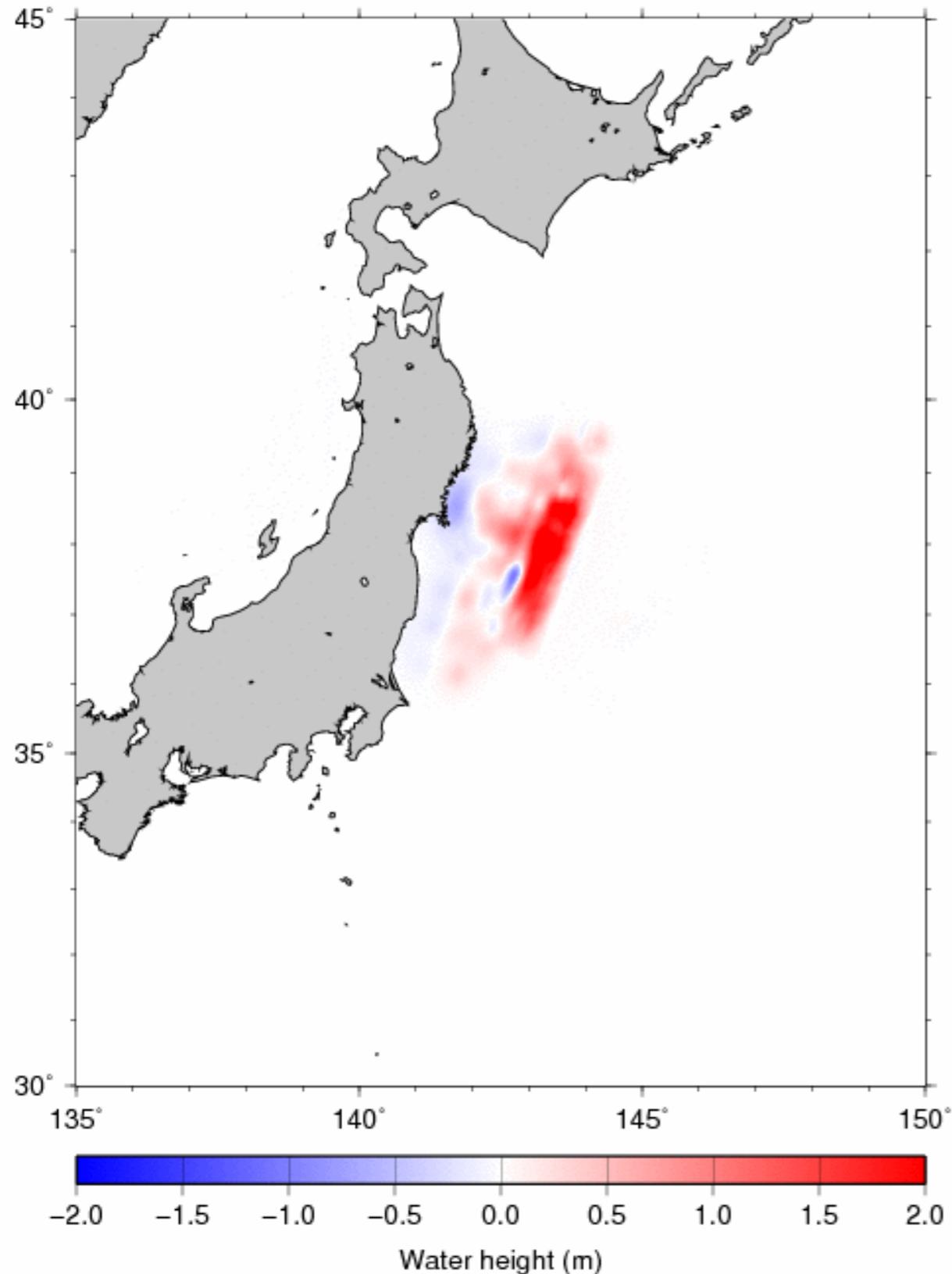
The DART II® system consists of a seafloor bottom pressure recording (BPR) system capable of detecting tsunamis as small as 1 cm, and a moored surface buoy for real-time communications.

DART II has two-way communications between the BPR and the Tsunami Warning Center (TWC) using the Iridium commercial satellite communications system. The two-way communications allow the TWCs to set stations in event mode in anticipation of possible tsunamis or retrieve the high-resolution (15-s intervals) data in one-hour blocks for detailed analysis.

DART II systems transmit standard mode data, containing twenty-four estimated sea-level height observations at 15-minute intervals, once every six hours.

Tsunami data and simulations: source

2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku earthquake 0001 min

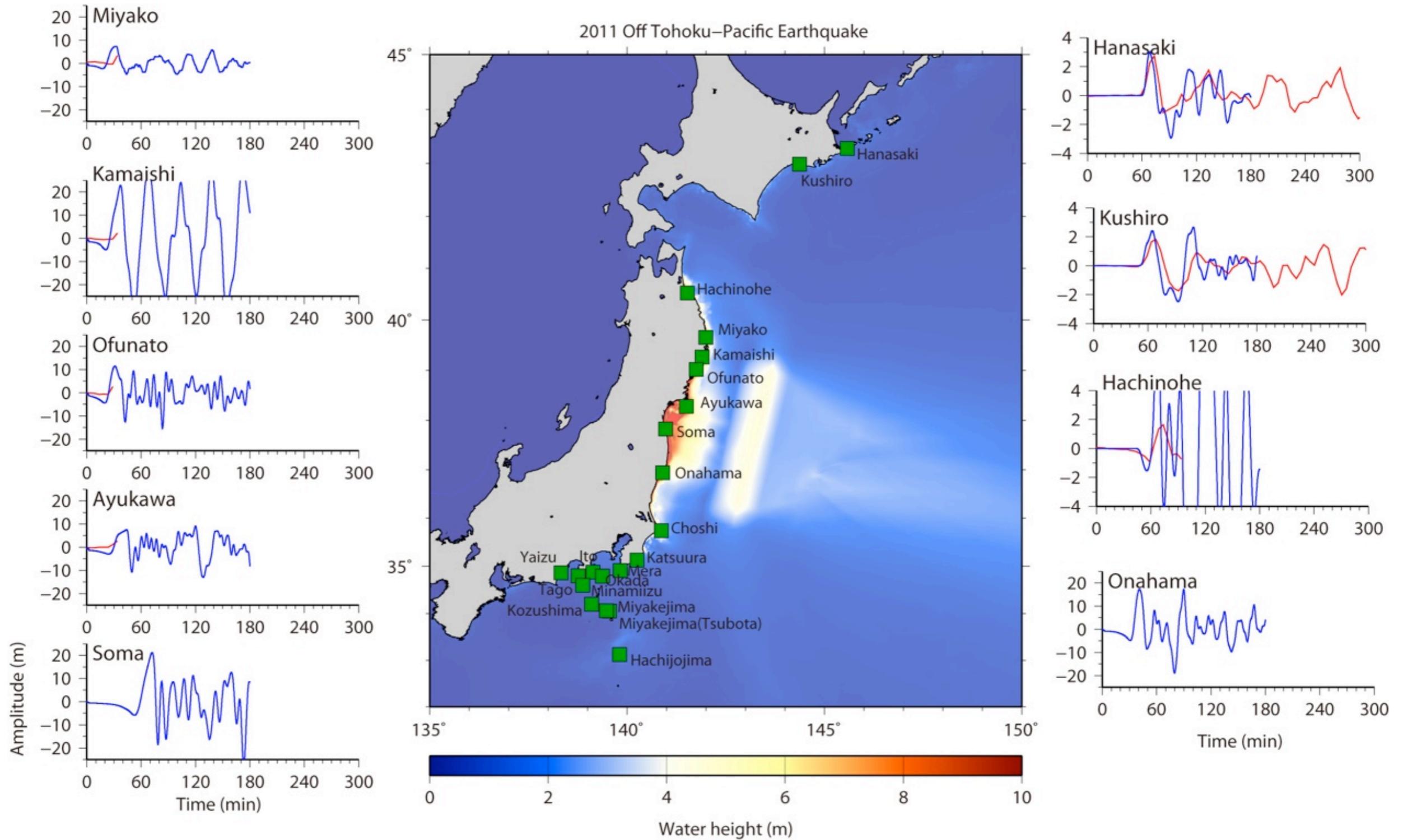


Tsunami Propagation

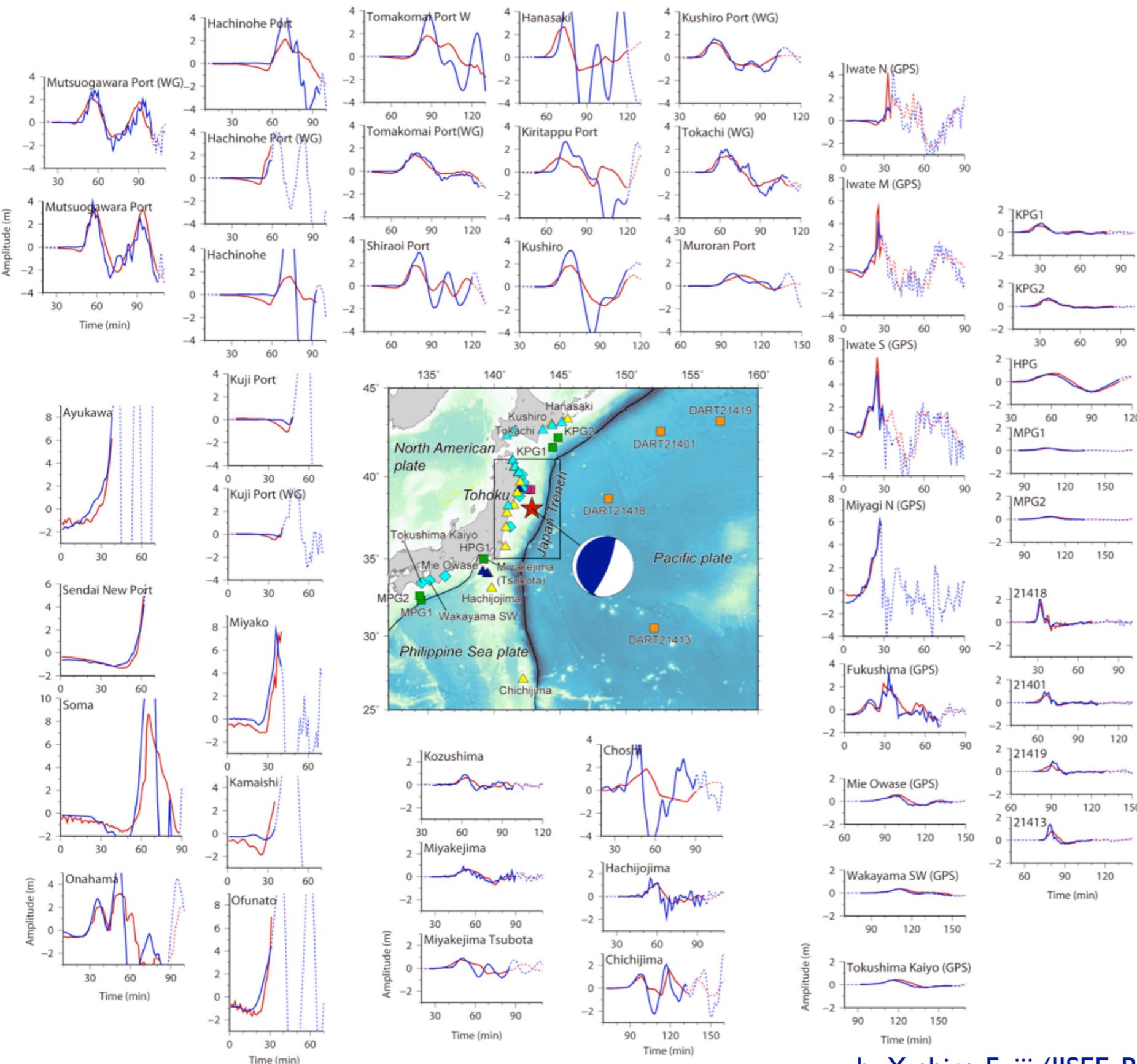
The red color means that the water surface is higher than normal sea level, while the blue means lower.

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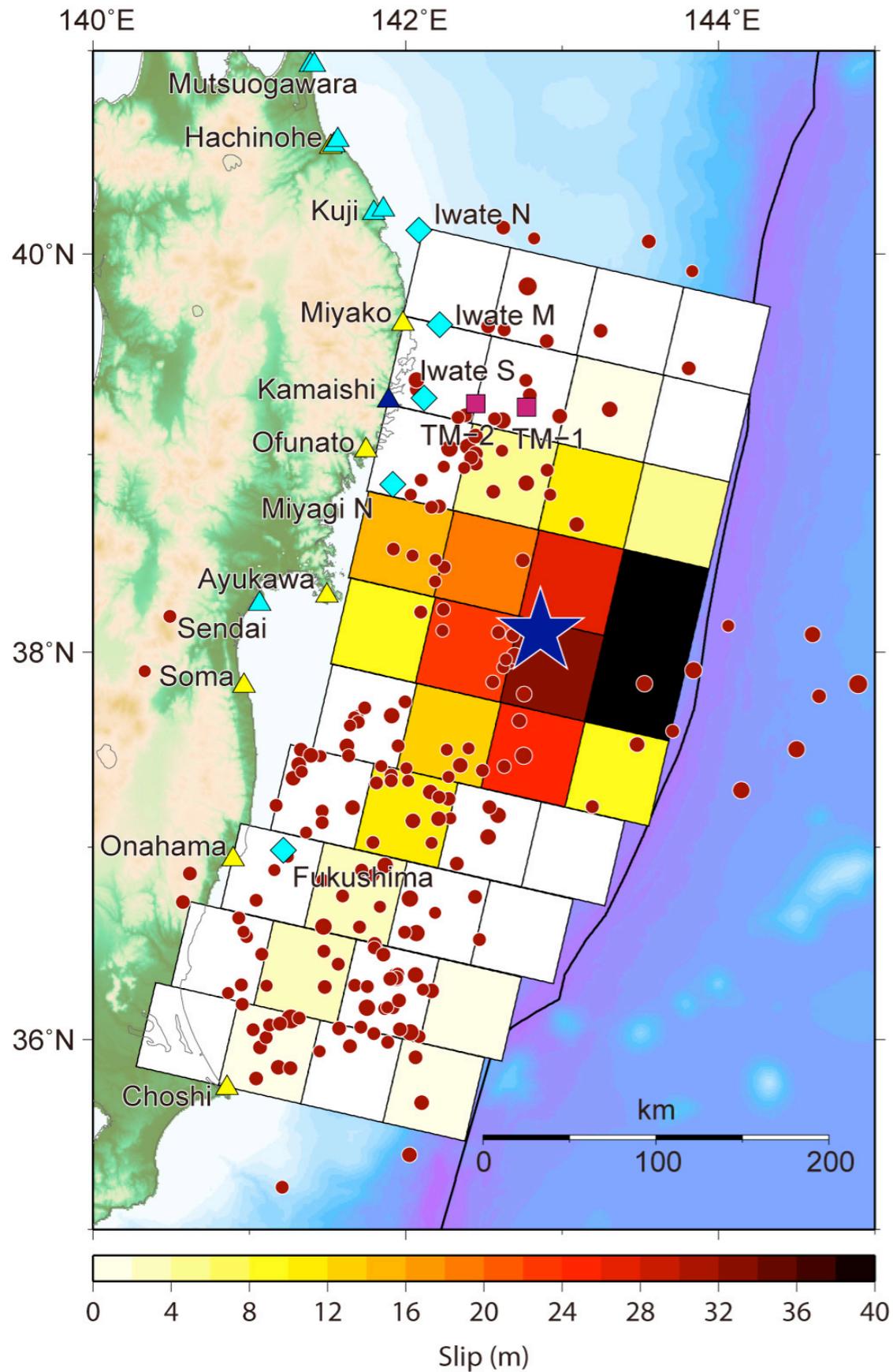
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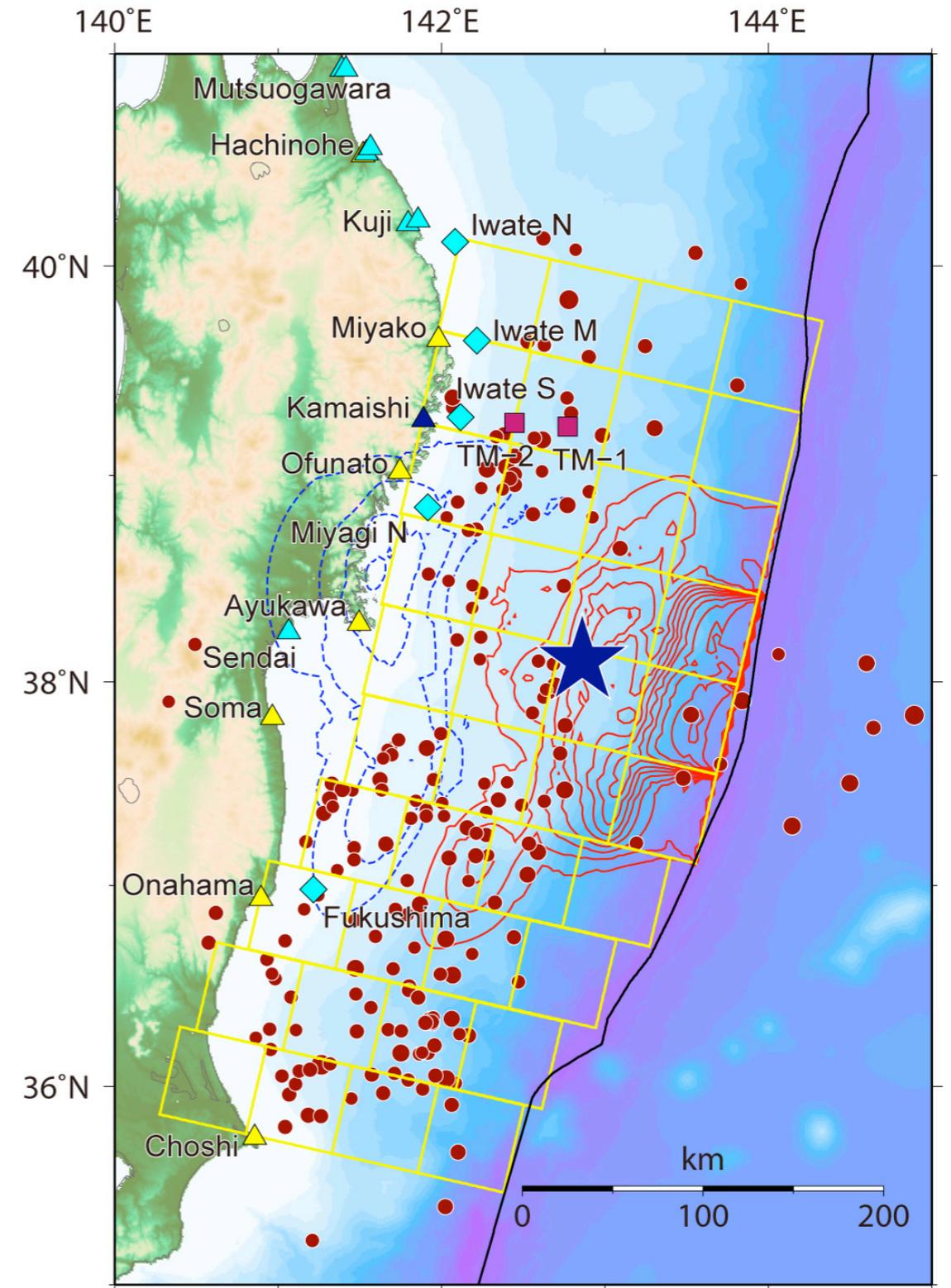
Simulated Tsunami around Japanese coasts

Red and blue lines indicate the observed tsunami waveforms at Japanese tide gauges and ocean bottom tsunami sensors and synthetic ones, respectively. Solid lines show the time windows used for inversion.

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Slip distribution on the fault mode



Calculated seafloor deformation due to the fault model

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Tsunami animation: time scales...

http://outreach.eri.u-tokyo.ac.jp/eqvolc/201103_tohoku/eng/

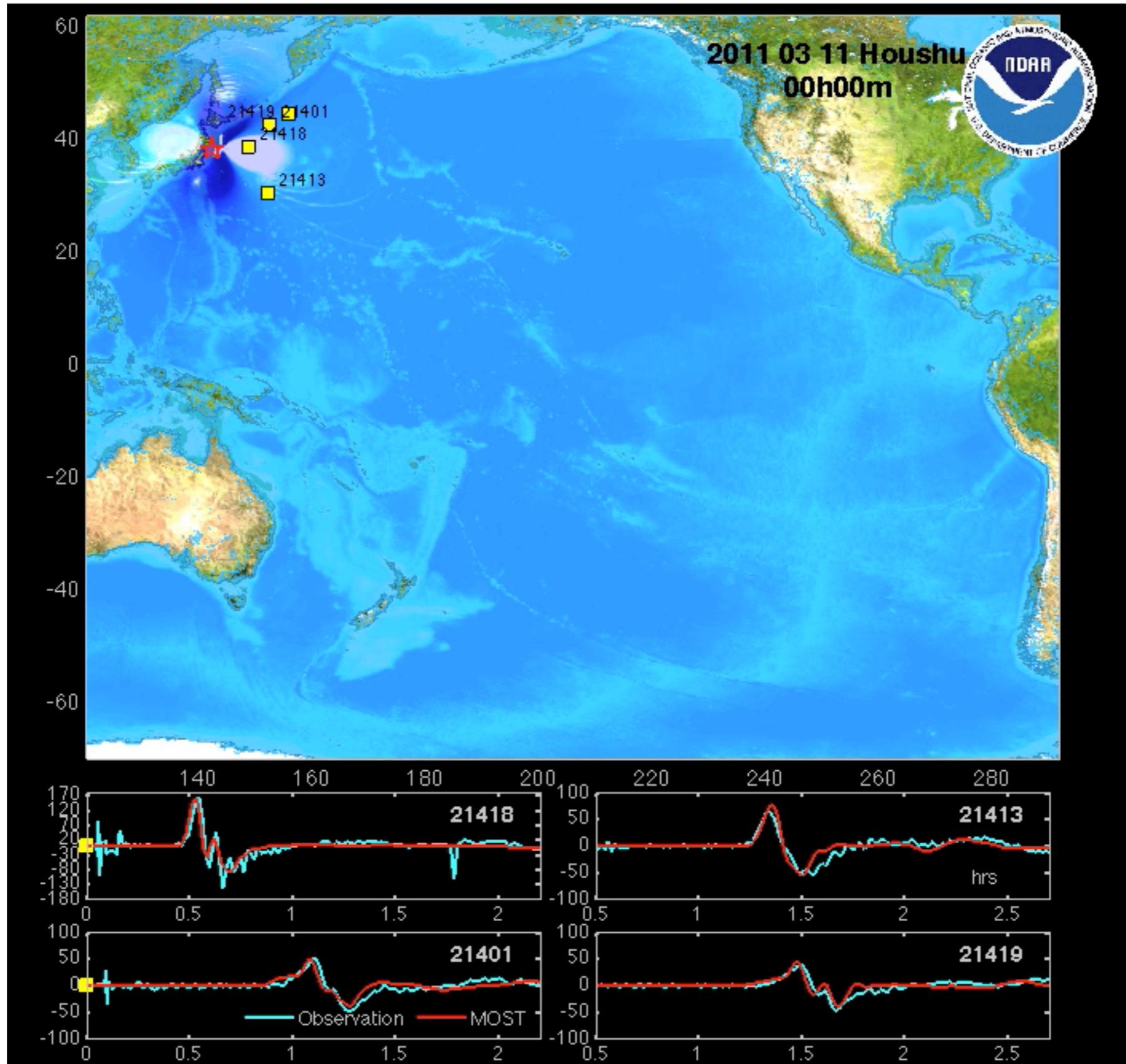
<http://supersites.earthobservations.org/honshu.php>

<http://eqseis.geosc.psu.edu/~cammon/Japan2011EQ/>



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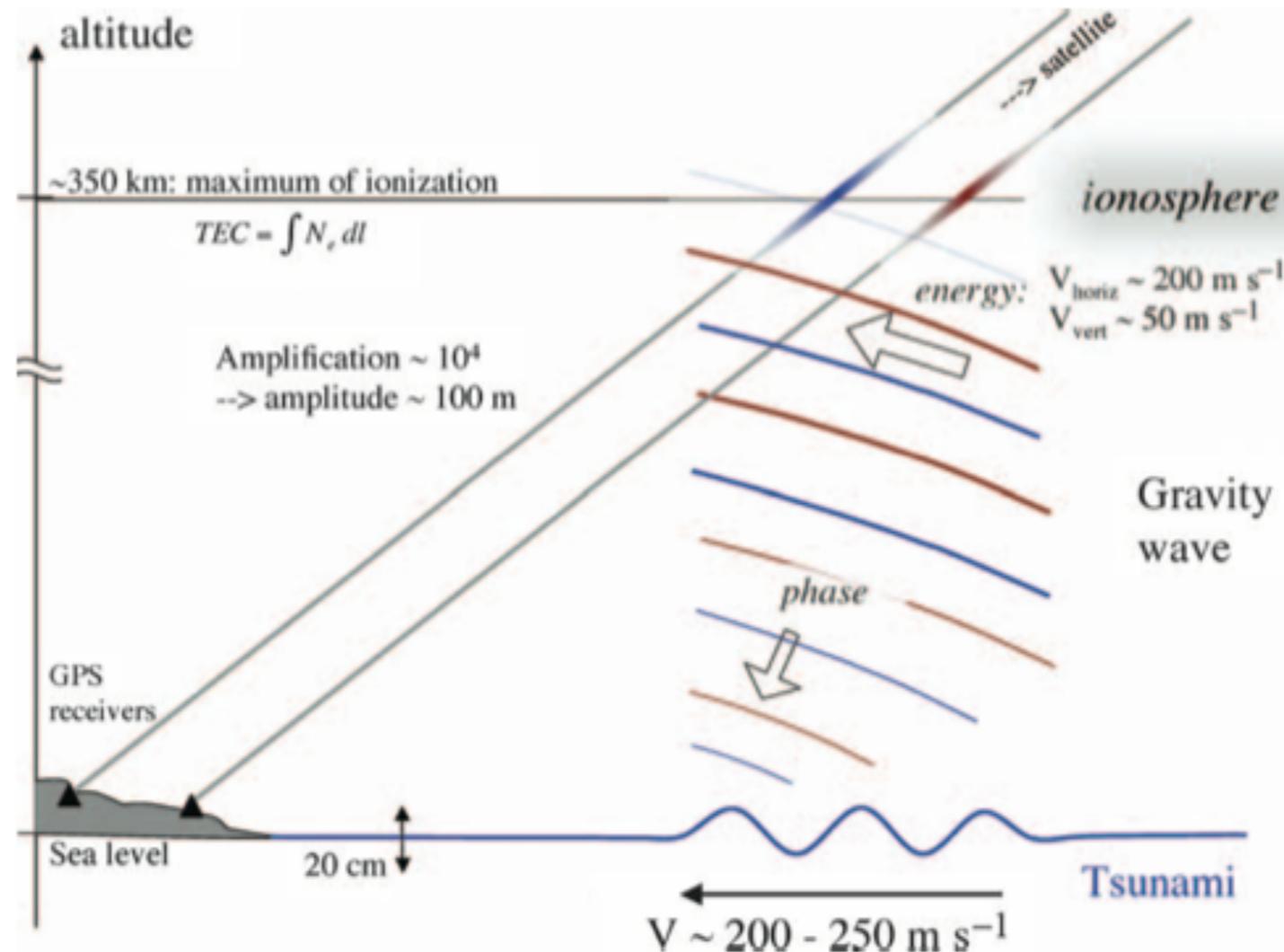
Tsunami animation - NOAA



Tsunami signature in the ionosphere

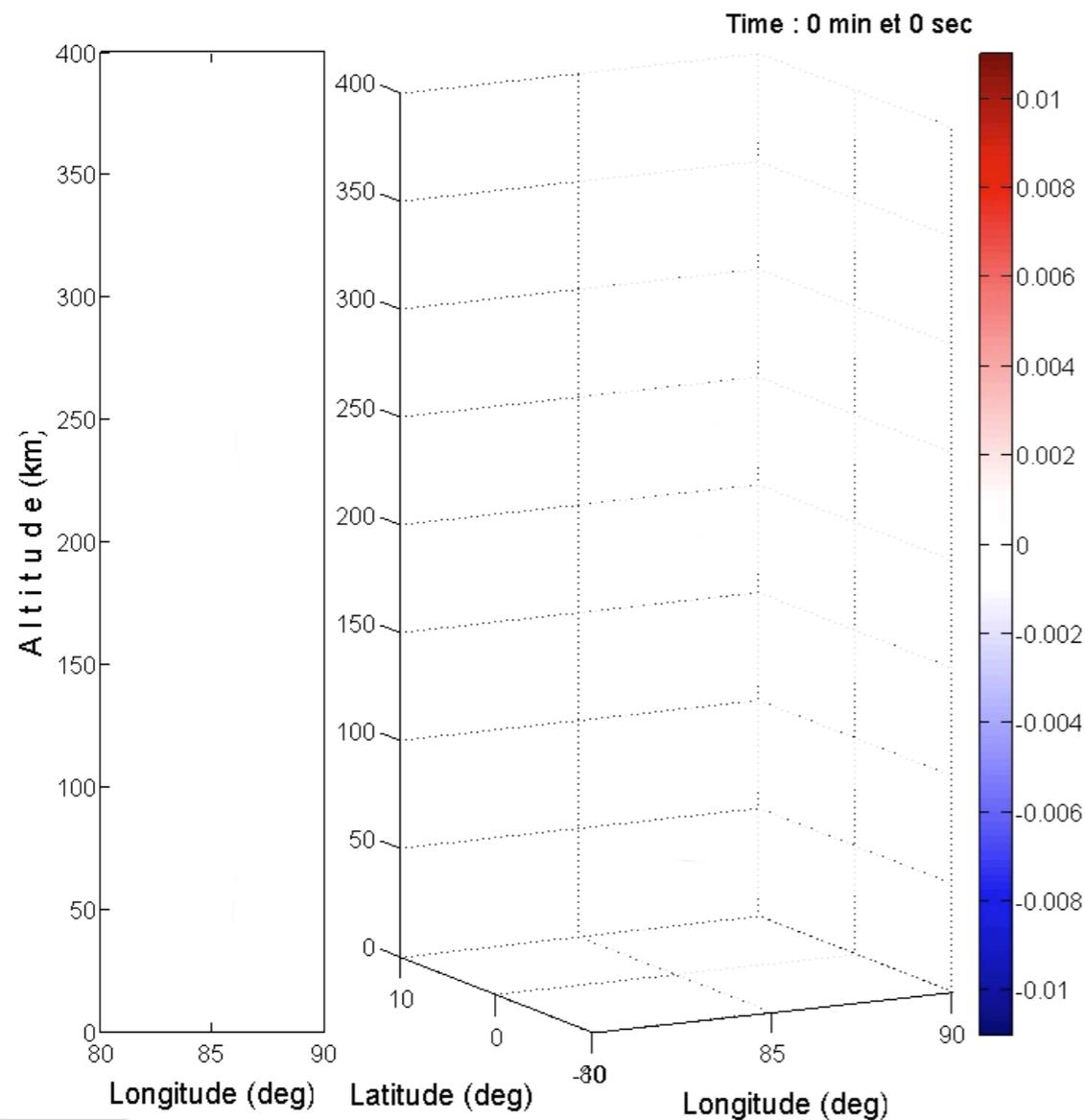
By dynamic coupling with the atmosphere, **acoustic-gravity waves** are generated

Traveling Ionospheric Disturbances (TID) can be detected and monitored by high-density GPS networks

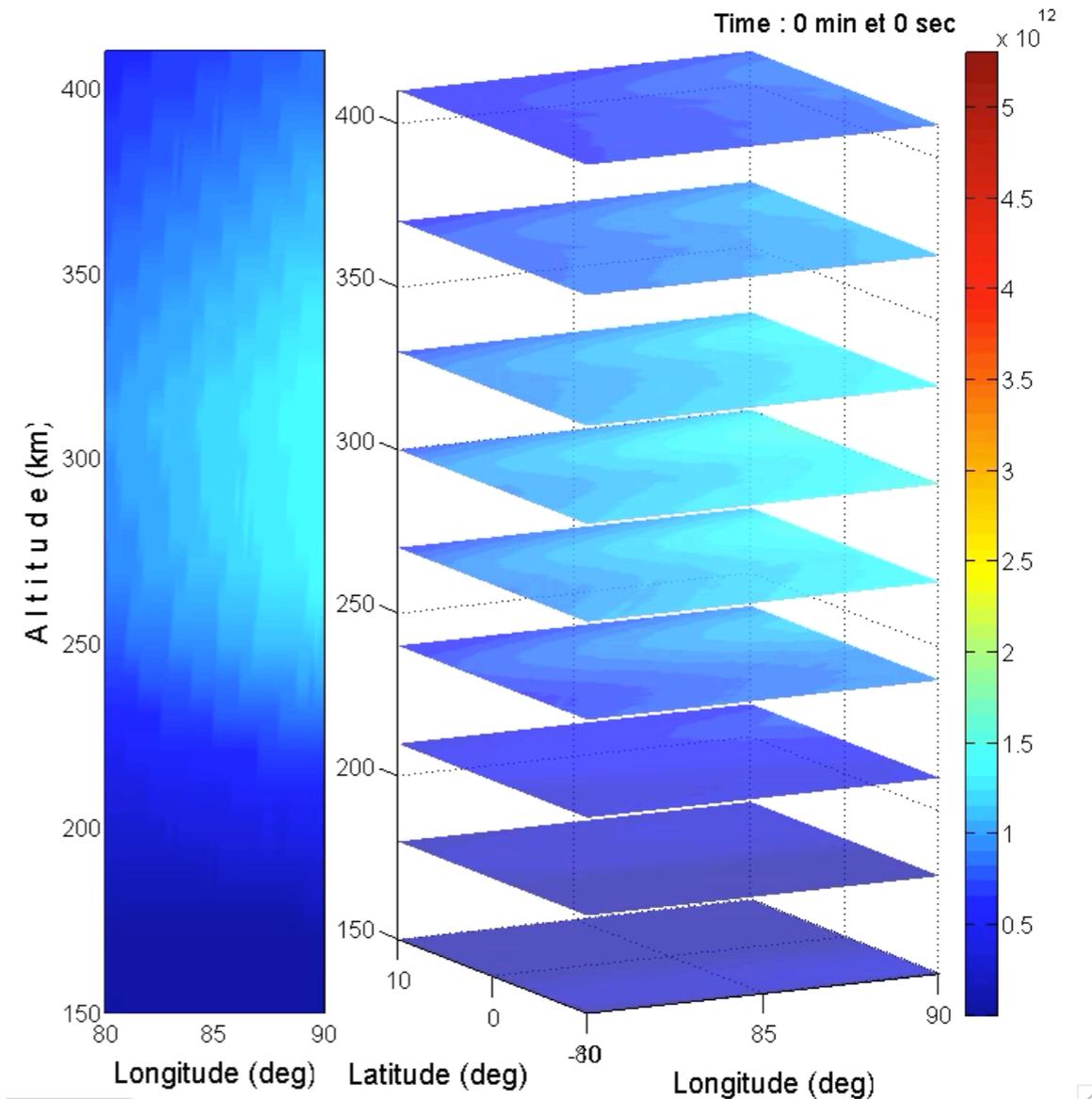


Tsunami signature in the ionosphere

Tsunami-generated IGWs and the response of the ionosphere to neutral motion at 2:40 UT.



Normalized vertical velocity

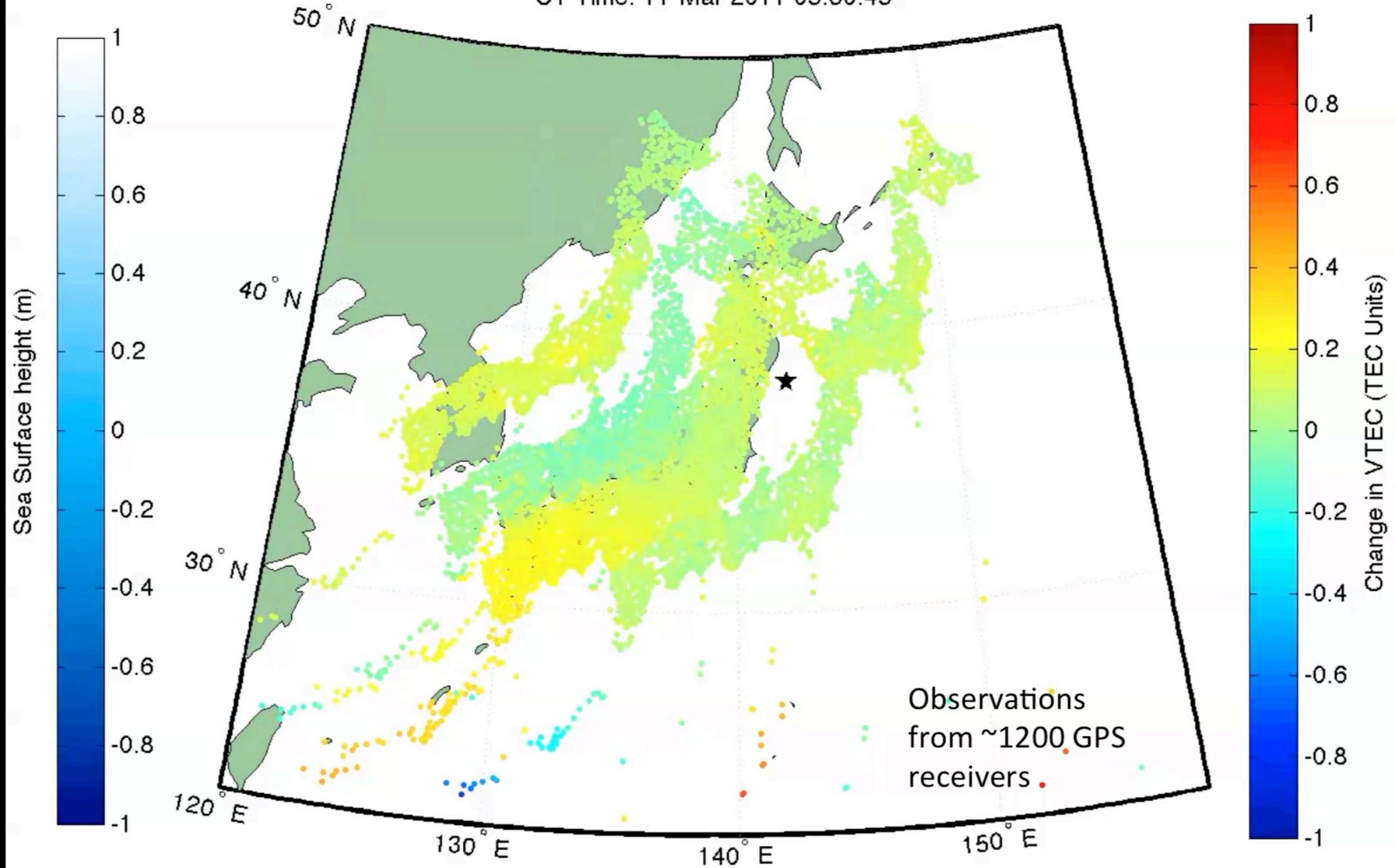


Perturbation in the ionospheric plasma

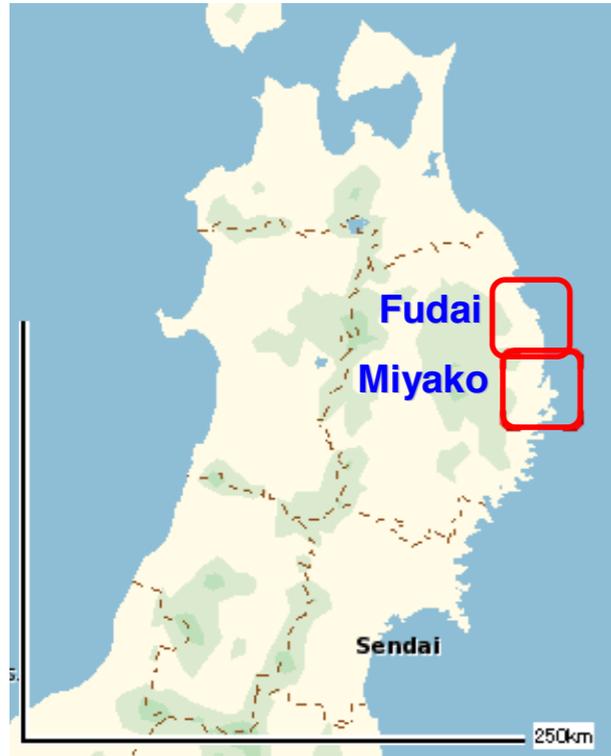
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Tohoku Tsunami Seen in Ionosphere Using GPS
Compared with JPL's Song Tsunami Model

UT Time: 11-Mar-2011 05:30:45



Miyako and Fudai...



The 10m-high seawall was destroyed in Taro district, Miyako city, Iwate Pref.



The 15.5m-high seawall was undestroyed in Otabe district, Fudai village, Iwate Pref.

Fig. III-1-16 Difference of seawall heights resulting in different consequence.



A photo from the village's point of view (i.e. facing the coast)



A photo from a viewpoint of facing the village taken at the spot slightly below the stone monument

Tsunami stones (Tsunami-seki)

