

# Japanese knowledge for bridging tsunami research networks between the UK and the middle east

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# The TIME (Tsunami Inundation Modeling Exchange) project

This manual is based on “TSUNAMI NUMERICAL SIMULATION with the staggered leap-frog scheme (Numerical code of TUNAMI-N1)” of Dr. Fumihiko Imamura, Prof. of Tsunami Engineering School of Civil Engineering, Asian Inst. Tech. and Disaster Control Research Center, Tohoku University prepared in June, 1995 for TIME project. The TIME (Tsunami Inundation Modeling Exchange) started in 1991 as a joint effort of IUGG and IOC/UNESCO during IDNDR. The Disaster Control Research Center (DCRC), Tohoku University, Japan has been acting as the center of TIME, to transfer numerical technique of tsunami simulation to the countries which suffered or will suffer tsunami hazards. Fifteen institutions of twelve countries obtained the computer programs and manuals developed and prepared by DCRC through mails or by training directly from DCRC. Four institutions of four countries obtained the technique through Mr. Ortiz, one of the trainees of the TIME project. As of 2003, the TUNAMI code was transferred to nineteen institutions of fifteen countries.

## TSUNAMI MODELLING MANUAL (TUNAMI model)

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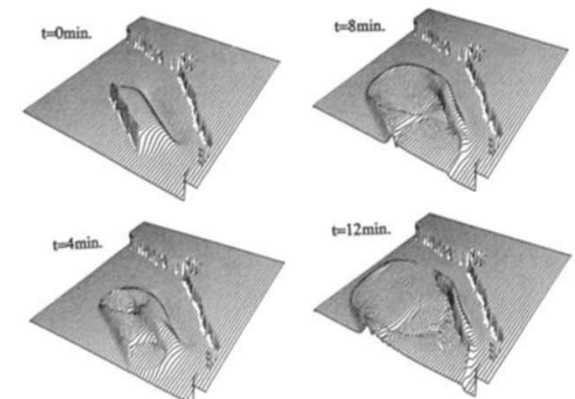
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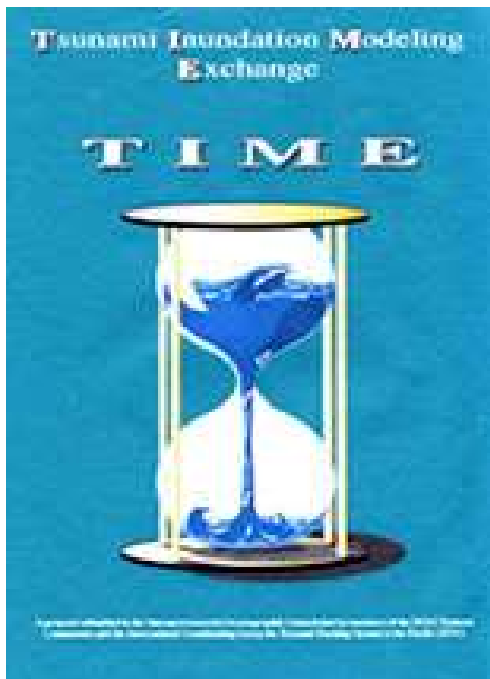
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**Fig.2** Wave pattern of tsunami propagation at 0, 4, 8 and 12 minutes after the origin time. The effect of rise time is instantaneous. The first tsunami waves on the Nicaraguan coast begin with an ebb.



# Joint pioneer researches

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## Tsunamis in the Sea of Marmara

Historical documents for the past, models for the future

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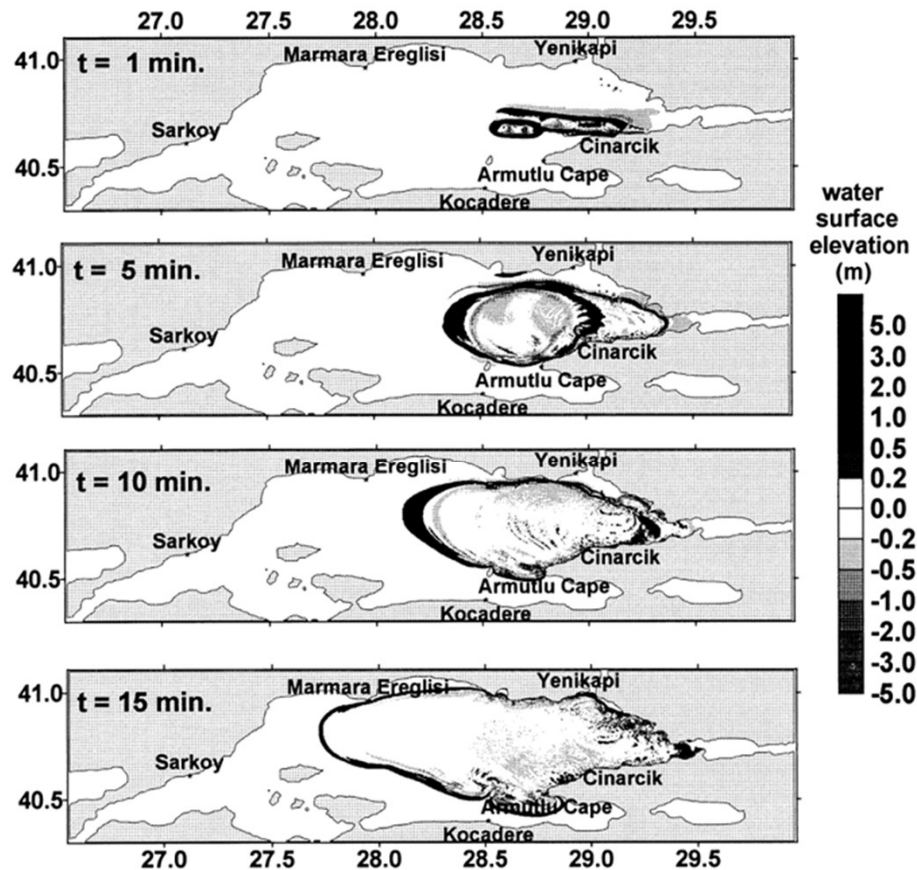


Fig. 10. Sea state at 1, 5, 10, and 15 min of tsunami propagation according to fault break and the underwater landslide scenario offshore Armutlu Peninsula (Case 3).

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## Discovery of Minoan tsunami deposits

K. Minoura; F. Imamura; U. Kuran; T. Nakamura; G. A. Papadopoulos; T. Takahashi; A. C. Yalçiner

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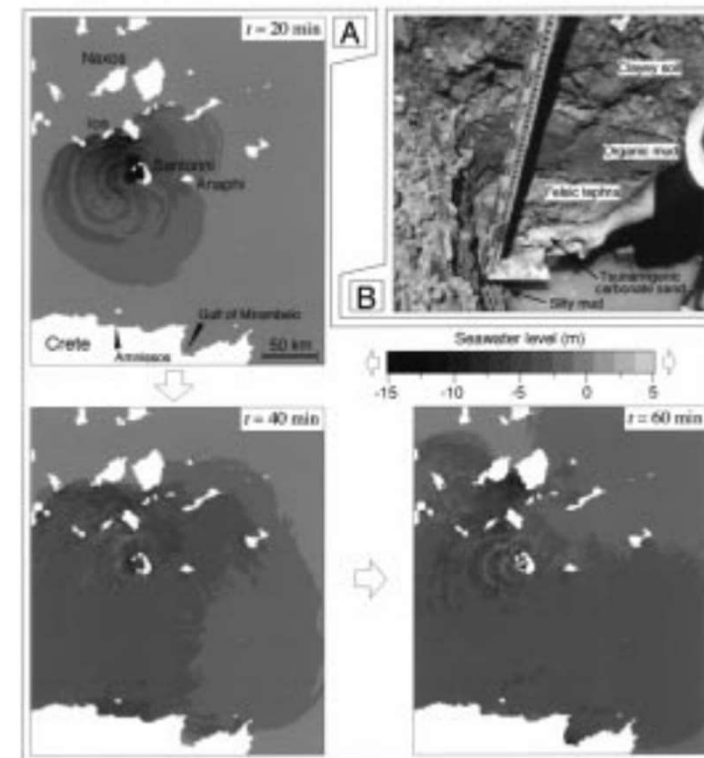


Figure 2. A: Results of numerical simulation. First wave reached Aegean Sea coast of western Turkey 2.5 hr after volcanic collapse. It is suggested that on northern coast of Crete, maximum runup height was 6–11 m and runup inundation distance was 500 m at most. B: Tsunami deposits and overlying felsic tephra layer exposed on trench wall, Didim, western Turkey.

# Field survey of the 2011 tsunami with Prof. Yalciner

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# Outputs from the field survey

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Seawalls damaged by scouring in Ishinomaki city (left, 26/4/2011) and by sliding in Yamada town (right, 31/5/2011)

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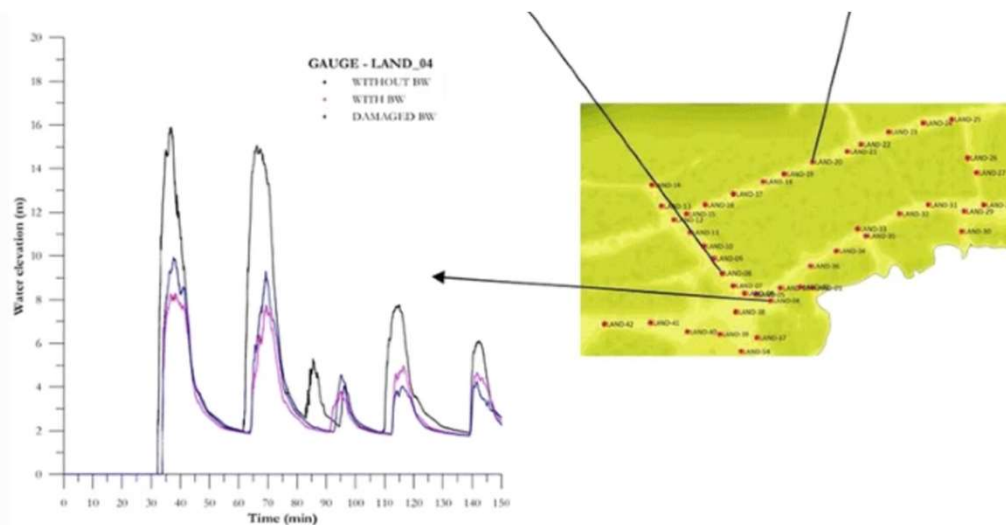
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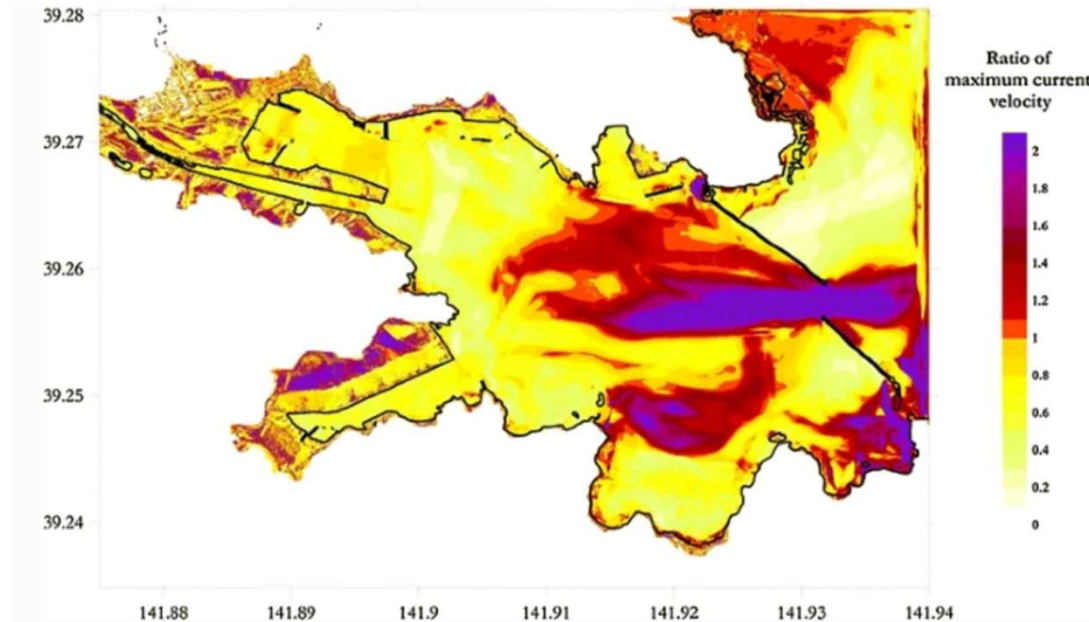
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Water level fluctuations during the simulations at the three selected gauges for with-, without- and damaged breakwater cases



The ratio of maximum current velocity between with- and without breakwater cases

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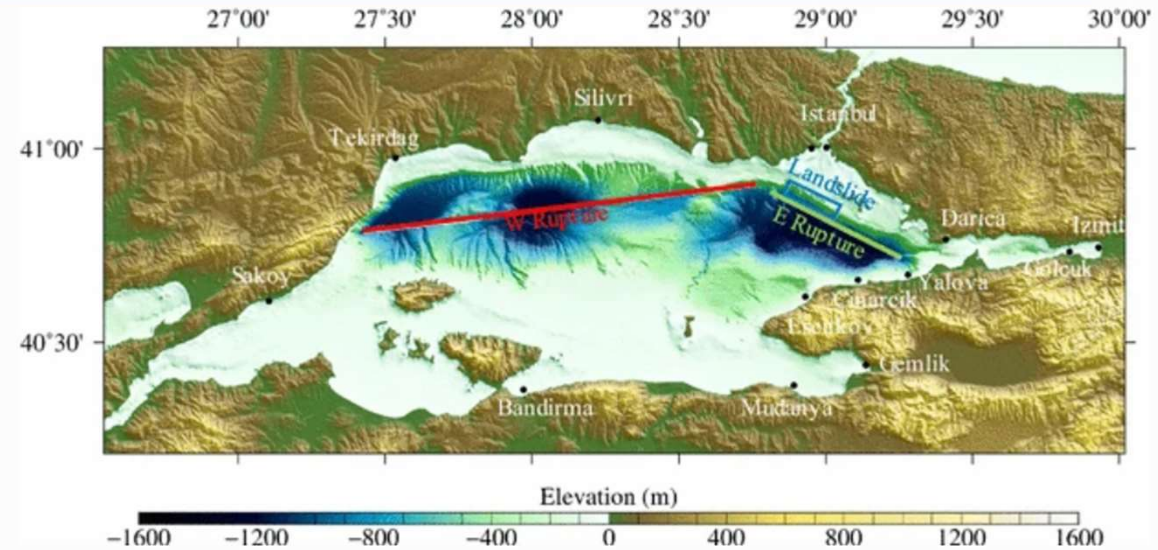
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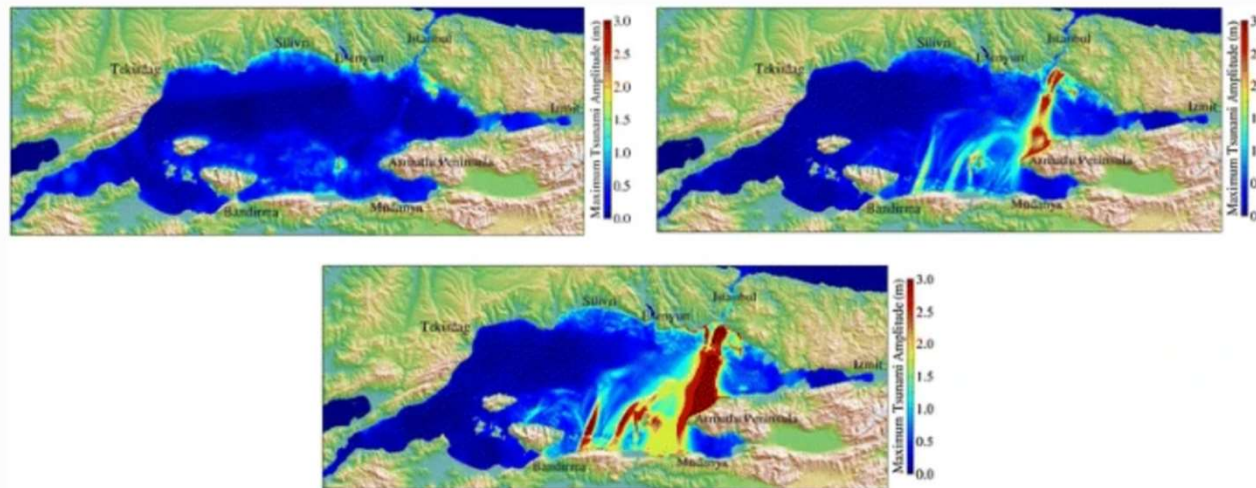
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Location of earthquake and landslide sources in Marmara Sea



Distribution of maximum tsunami amplitudes for EW rupture with small-, medium-, and large-volume landslides

# Tsunami hazards from the Makran Subduction Zone

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## Tsunami hazard evaluation for Kuwait and Arabian Gulf due to Makran Subduction Zone and Subaerial landslides

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Historical tsunami in the Makran Subduction Zone off the southern  
 coasts of Iran and Pakistan and results of numerical modeling

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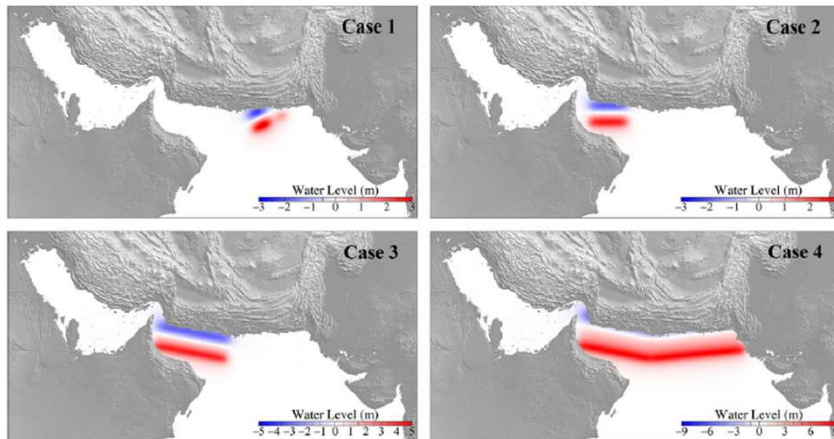


Fig. 9 Initial sea surface deformation for Cases 1 to 4

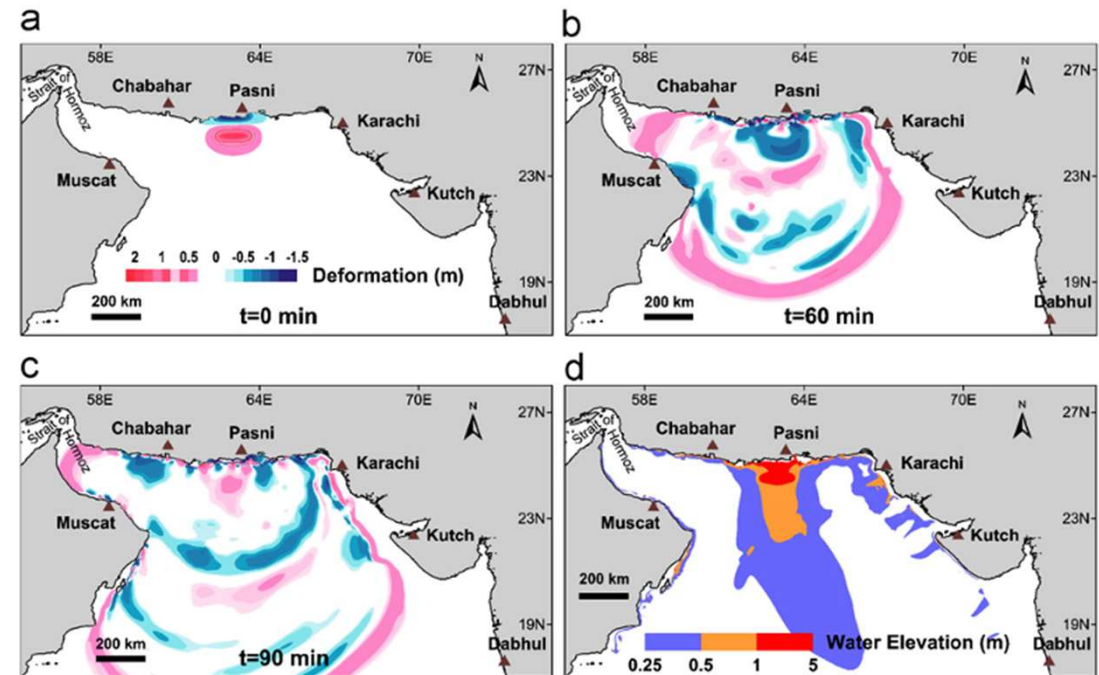


Fig. 5. Results of the tsunami generation (a) and propagation modeling (b, c, and d).

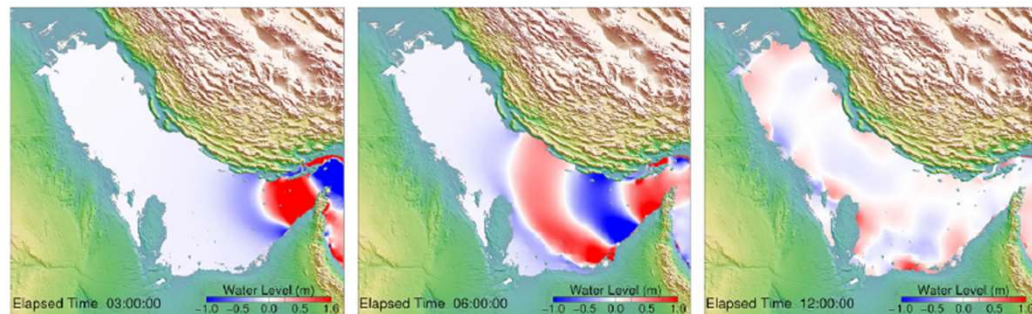


Fig. 11 Tsunami propagation after 3, 6, and 12 h for Case 4



# Tsunami hazards from in Tohoku



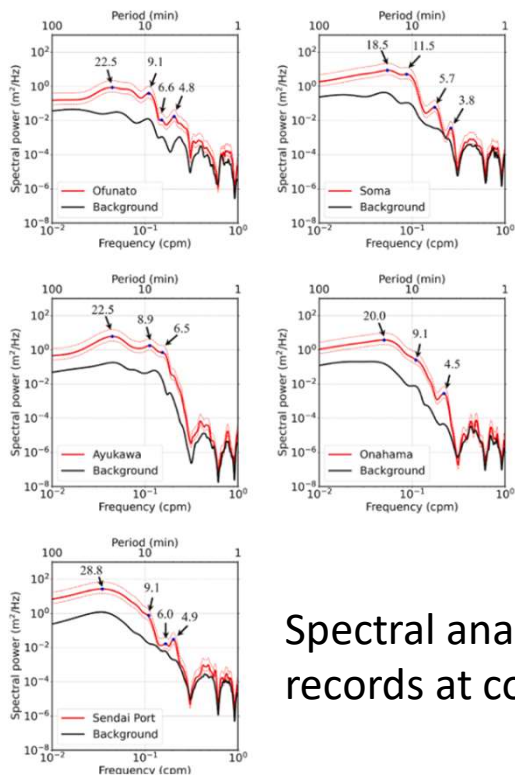
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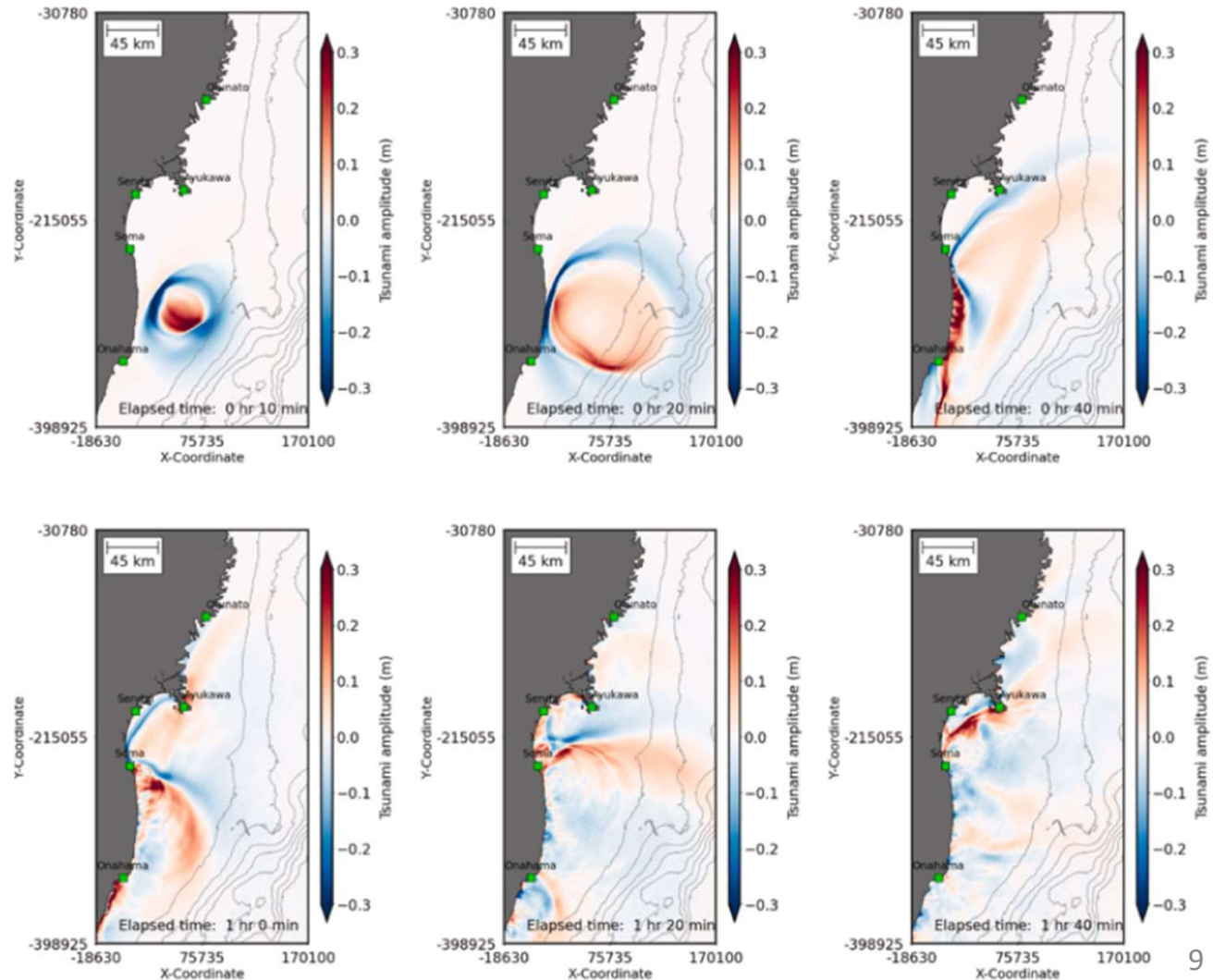
Snapshots of simulated tsunami propagation along north Pacific coast of Japan following the 2016 Fukushima earthquake.

## Tsunami wave characteristics in Sendai Bay, Japan, following the 2016 Mw 6.9 Fukushima earthquake

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Spectral analysis for tsunami records at coastal tide gauges.



# Field survey of the 2011 tsunami with Prof. Raby

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A true report of certaine wonderfull ouerflowings  
of Waters, now lately in Summerset-shire, Norfolke and other  
places of England: destroying many thousands of men, women,  
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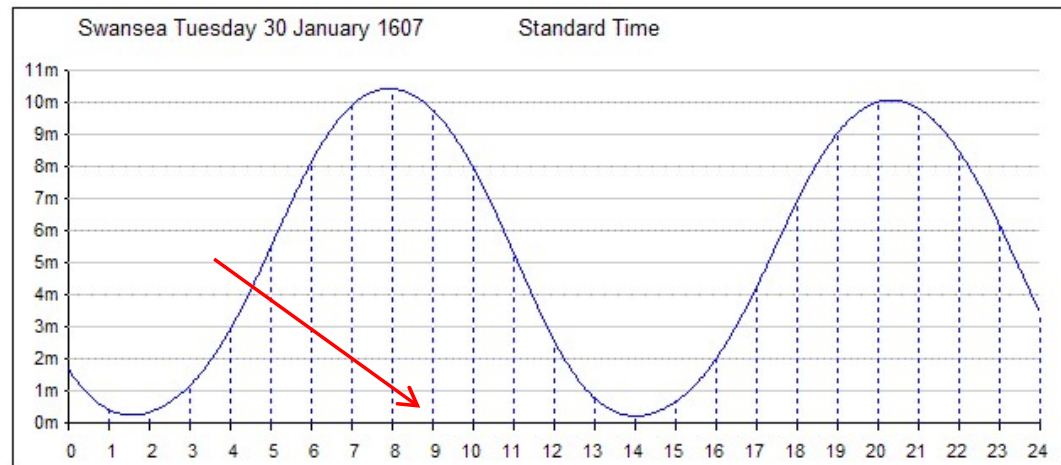


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## Caused by TSUNAMI, FLOOD or STORM SURGE ??

- No  $M > 7.5$  recorded and very less impact by the 1755 Lisbon earthquake felt all Europe
- Records said that water was from the sea
- Some records mentioned about storm but no wind damage  $\rightarrow$  wind speed  $< 100$  km/h
- Only one record said clear sky  $\rightarrow$  center of the storm?

# The 1607 Bristol Channel flood



Exceptionally high spring tide on the morning of the flood



(a)



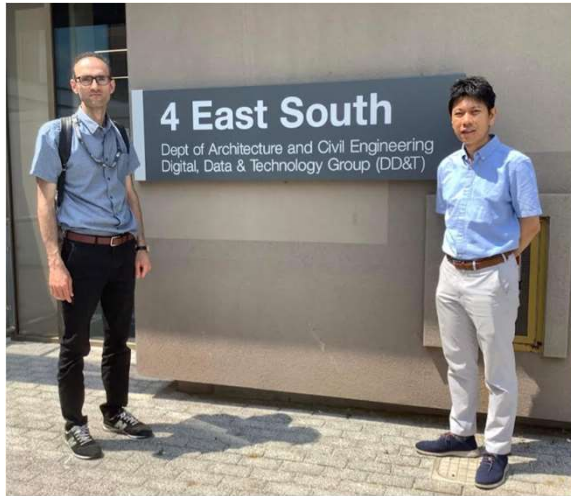
(b)

Figure 8: Maps of Bristol Channel showing extent of flooding as modelled in 2007: (a) in the outer Bristol Channel (8 m water level) and (b) in the inner Bristol Channel (9.5 m water level)

# A.D. 1606 Flood memorial in churches in Bristol Channel

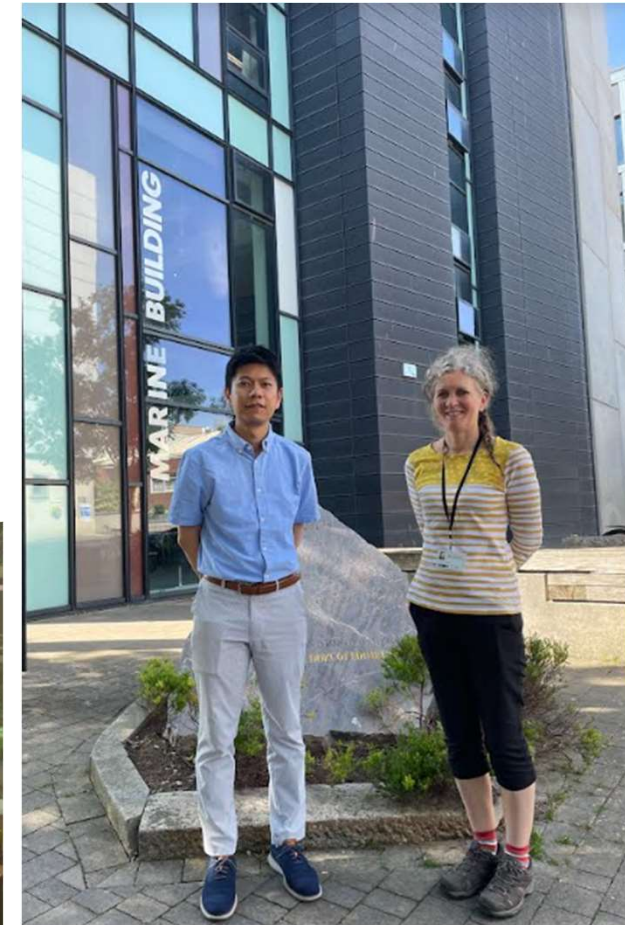


# Look forward to future collaboration!



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