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**NUMERICAL MODELING OF LOW
FREQUENCY HYDRO-ACOUSTIC WAVES
GENERATED BY SUBMARINE
TSUNAMIGENIC EARTHQUAKE**



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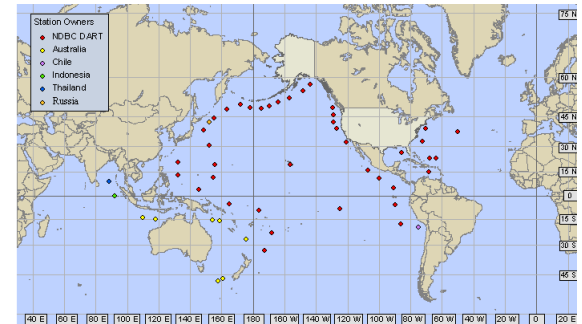
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Motivations:

Improve Tsunami Early Warning System

- Systems based on seismic measurements
- Tsunami measurements are essential to increase the reliability of the system
- Can we use precursors of tsunami?



DART system

Hydro-acoustic waves (pressure waves in weakly compressible fluid)

- Travel at 1500 m/s
- Contain information on the tsunamigenic source
- Need of numerical modelling (3D models are computationally expensive)

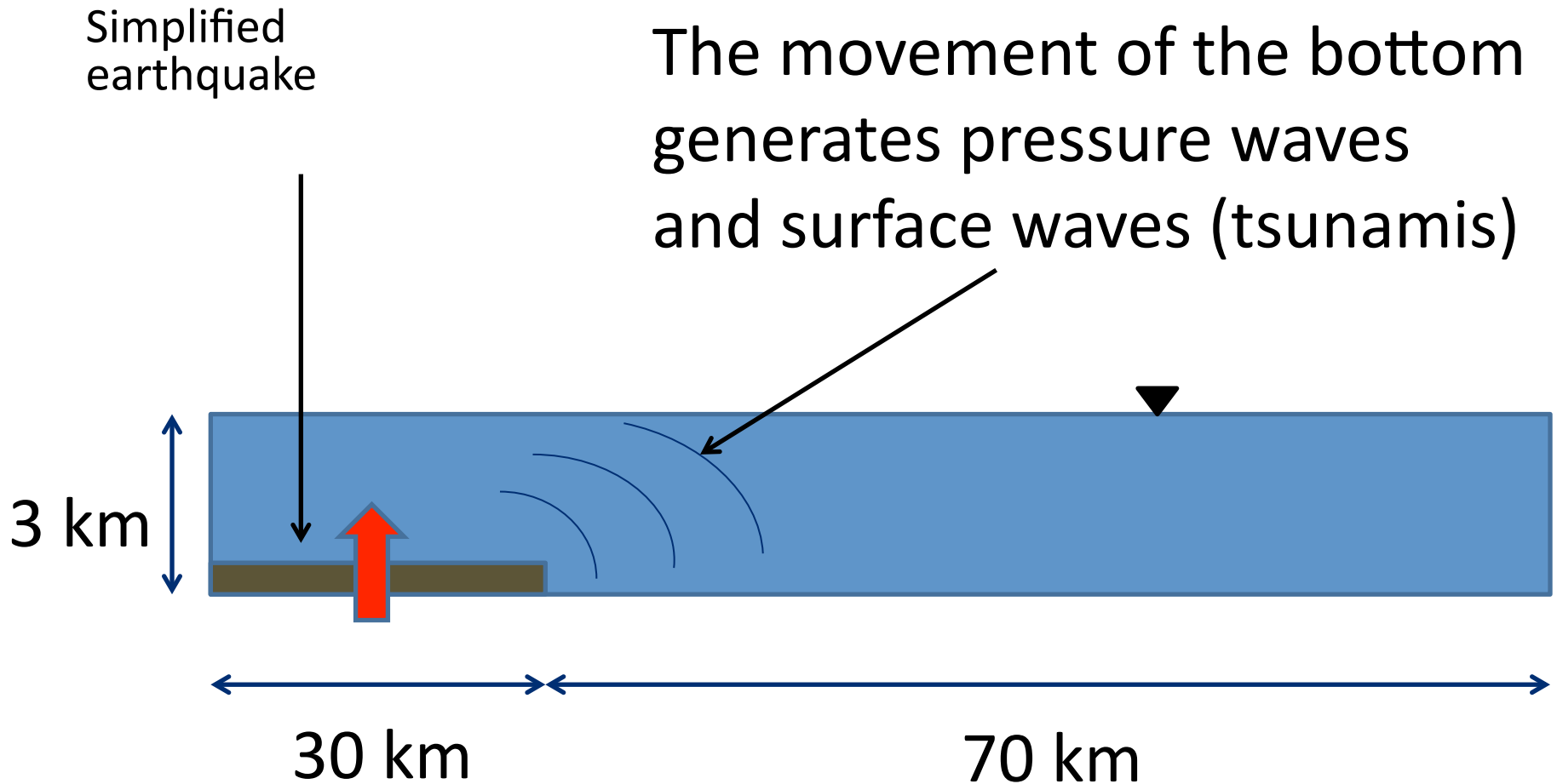


This research aims at developing numerical models applicable on an oceanic scale

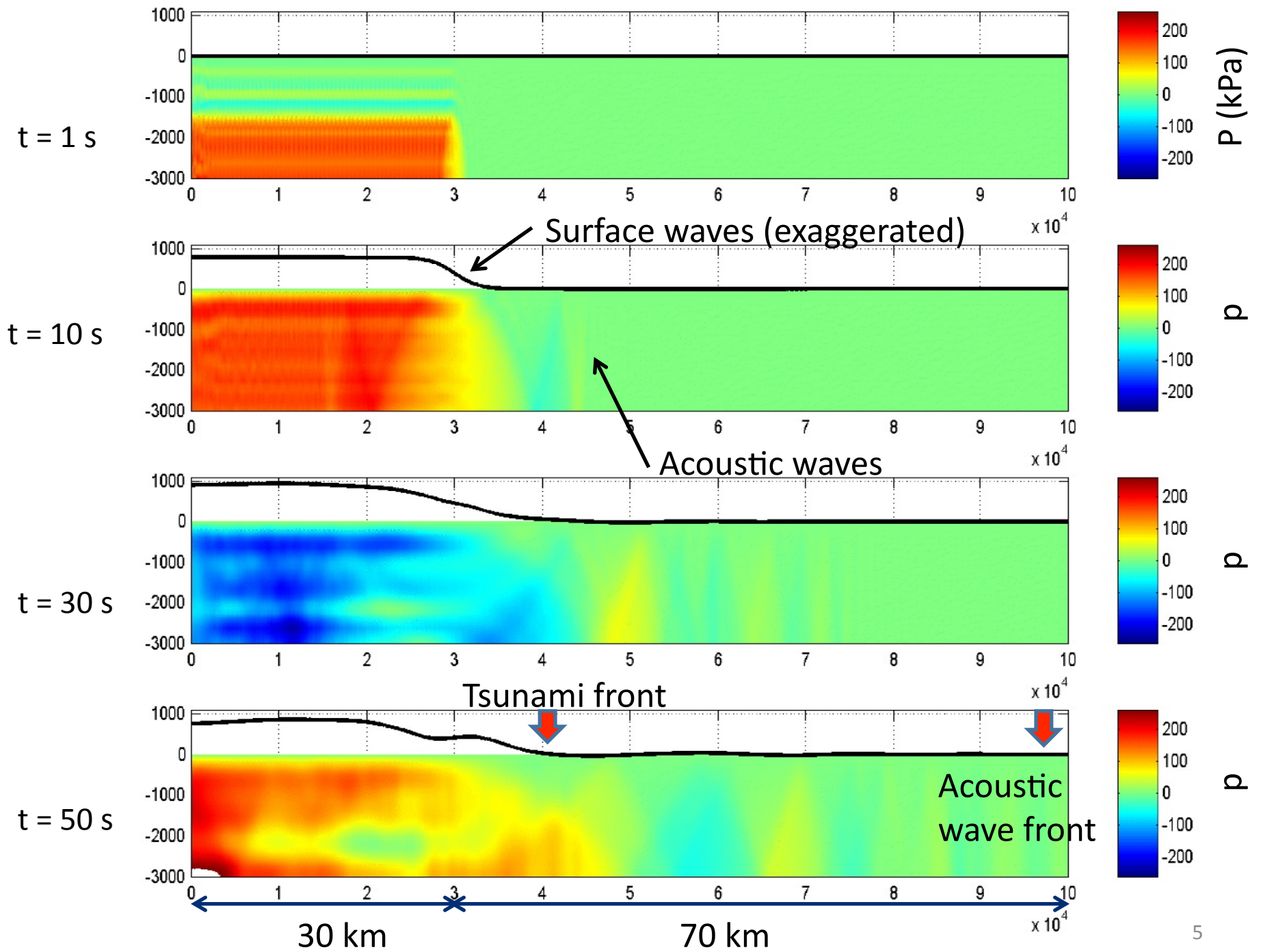
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 - ✓ For Porous Bottom (MSEDWC)
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 - ✓ Haida Gwaii 2012 Western Canada
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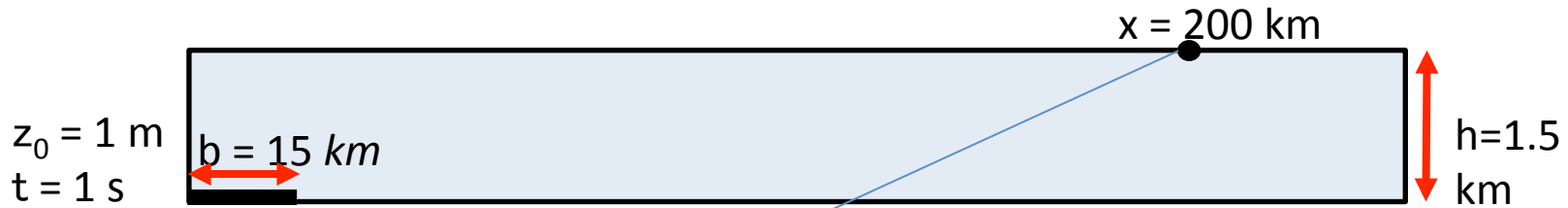
Hydro-acoustic wave



In the next slide results of computations related to this simple layout are shown



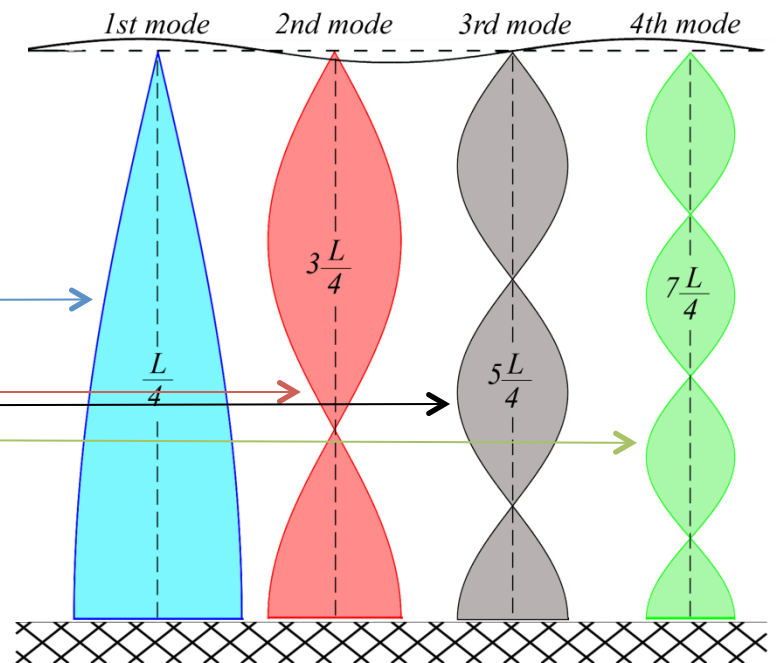
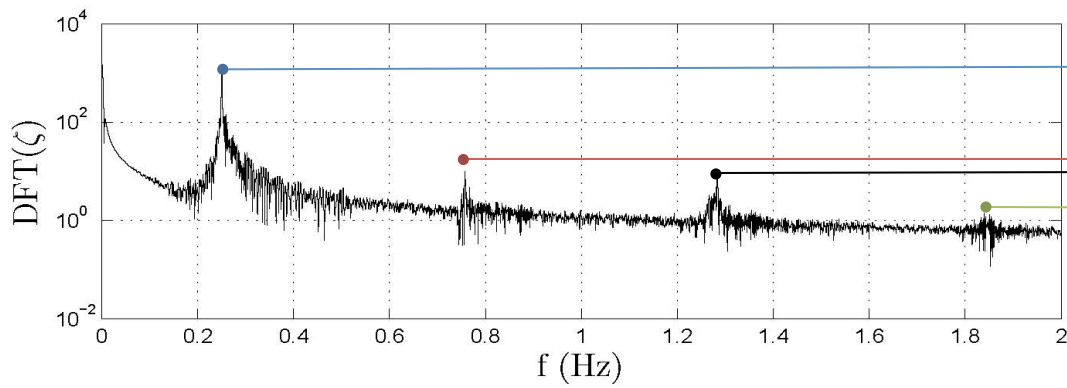
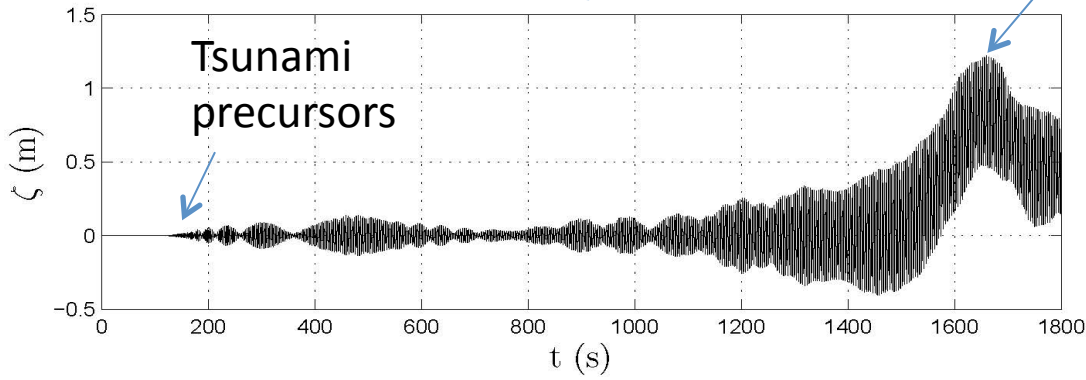
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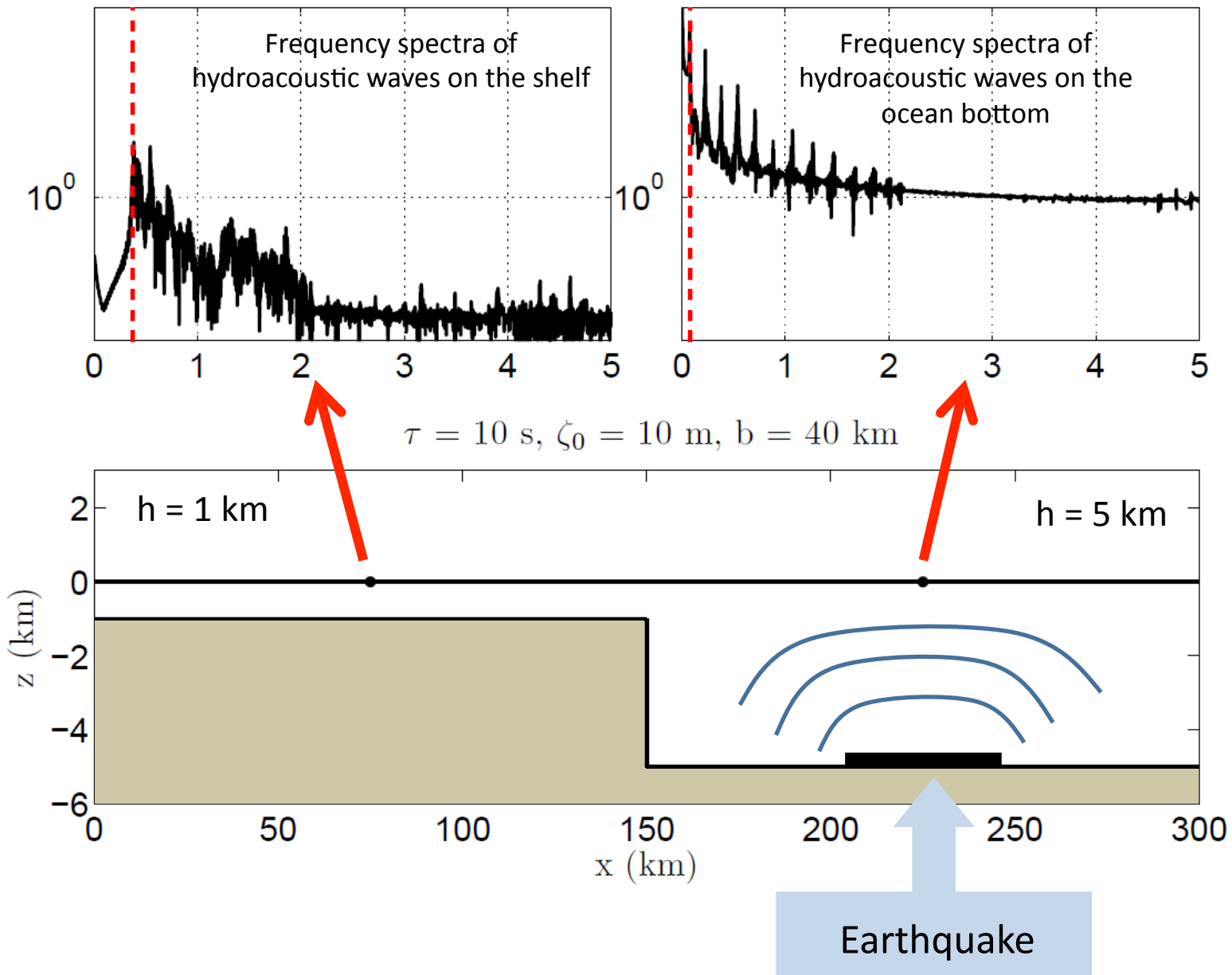
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Tsunami

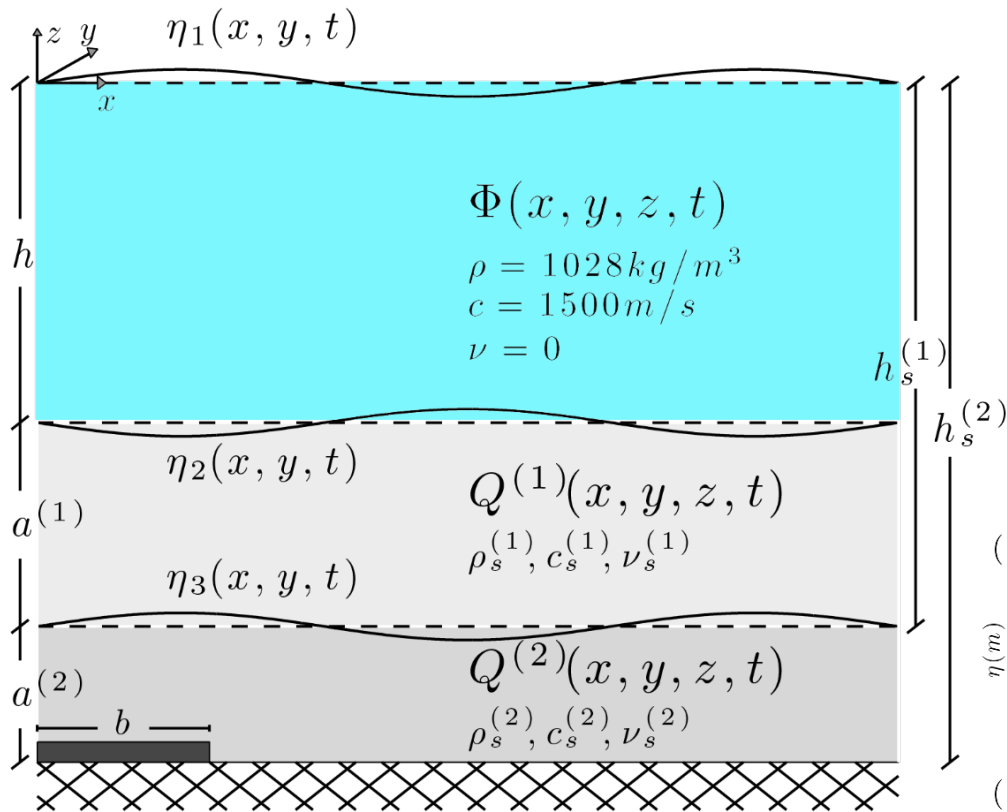
$$f^{(n)} = (2n-1) \frac{c}{4h}; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



Depth Effect



Change in Normal Peak Frequencies



Layer	Density (kg/m^3)	Sound Celerity (m/s)	Layer Thickness (m)
Water	$\rho = 1028$	$c = 1500$	$h = 2200$
Sediment ($i = 1$)	$\rho_s^{(1)} = 1850$	$c_s^{(1)} = 2000$	$a^{(1)} = 1000$
Sediment ($i = 2$)	$\rho_s^{(2)} = 2200$	$c_s^{(2)} = 2500$	$a^{(2)} = 1000$
Fault Length (km)	Start Time (s)	Duration (s)	Residual Displacement (m)
$b = 112$	$t_0 = 5$	$\tau = 2$	$\zeta_0 = 1$
Sediment Layer(s)	1 st mode (Hz)	2 nd mode (Hz)	3 rd mode (Hz)
0 Layer	$f^{(1)} = 0.17$	$f^{(2)} = 0.51$	$f^{(3)} = 0.85$
1 Layers	$\gamma_1^{(1)} = 0.15$	$\gamma_1^{(2)} = 0.41$	$\gamma_1^{(3)} = 0.60$
2 Layers	$\gamma_2^{(1)} = 0.14$	$\gamma_2^{(2)} = 0.32$	$\gamma_2^{(3)} = 0.52$

Rigid bottom:

$$f^{(n)} = (2n-1) \frac{c}{4h}; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



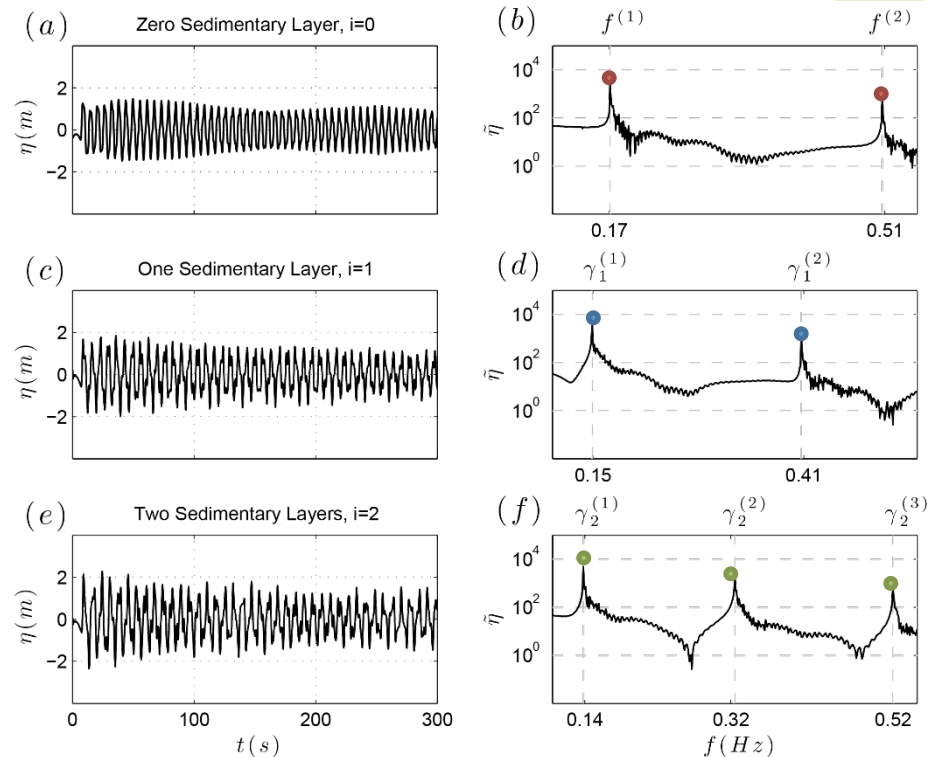
Single Sedimentary Layer:

$$\tan\left[\frac{(2\pi\gamma_1^{(n)}h)}{c}\right] \tan\left[\frac{(2\pi\gamma_1^{(n)}a^{(1)})}{c_s^{(1)}}\right] = \frac{\rho_s^{(1)}c_s^{(1)}}{\rho c}$$



Two Sedimentary Layers:

$$\frac{\rho_s^{(2)}c_s^{(2)} - \tan\left[\frac{2\pi\gamma_2^{(n)}a^{(1)}}{c_s^{(1)}}\right] \tan\left[\frac{2\pi\gamma_2^{(n)}a^{(2)}}{c_s^{(2)}}\right]}{\tan\left[\frac{2\pi\gamma_2^{(n)}a^{(2)}}{c_s^{(2)}}\right] + \frac{\rho_s^{(2)}c_s^{(2)}}{\rho_s^{(1)}c_s^{(1)}} \tan\left[\frac{2\pi\gamma_2^{(n)}a^{(1)}}{c_s^{(1)}}\right]} = \frac{\rho c}{\rho_s^{(1)}c_s^{(1)}} \tan\left[\frac{2\pi\gamma_2^{(n)}h}{c}\right]$$



Depth integrated equation

Linearized 3d potential flow problem



Depth integration

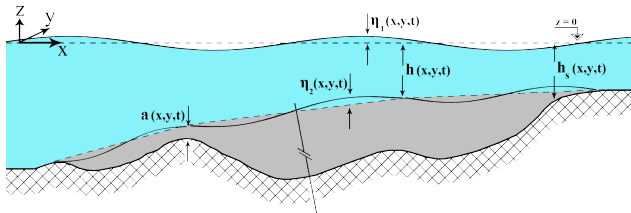


MSE-like eq. In terms of velocity potential at $z=0$

$$\Phi_{tt} - c^2 \nabla^2 \Phi = 0 ;$$



$$\psi_{n,tt} \left(\frac{C_n}{c^2} + \frac{1}{g} \right) - \nabla \cdot (C_n \nabla \psi_n) + \left(\frac{\omega^2}{g} - \beta_n^2 C_n \right) \psi_n = \frac{h_{n,t}}{\cosh^2(\beta_n h)}$$



Depth-integrated equation for large-scale modelling of low-frequency hydroacoustic waves, 2013, Journal of Fluid Mechanics, 722, R6.
DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1017/jfm.2013.153>

Depth integrated equation for Rigid Bottom

Rigid Bottom

$$\psi_{n,tt} \left(\frac{C_n}{c^2} + \frac{1}{g} \right) - \nabla \cdot (C_n \nabla \psi_n) + \left(\frac{\omega^2}{g} - \beta_n^2 C_n \right) \psi_n = \frac{h_{n,t}}{\cosh^2(\beta_n h)}$$

2013

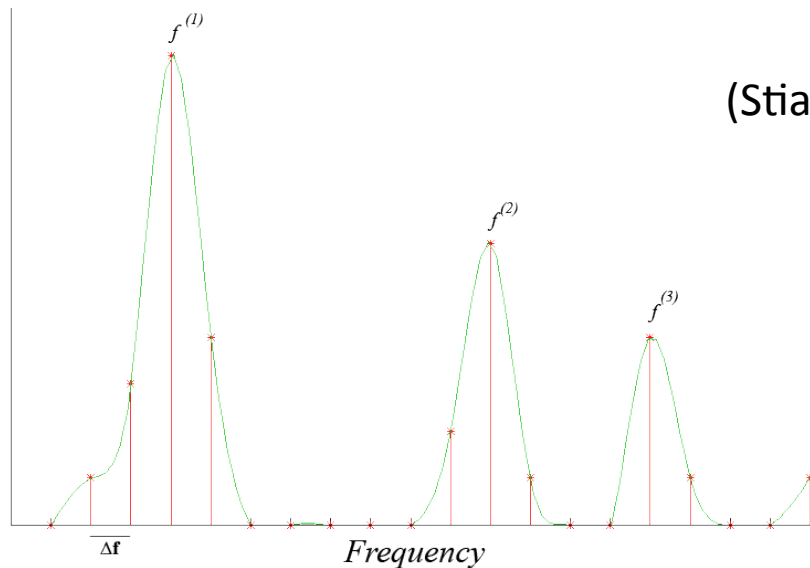
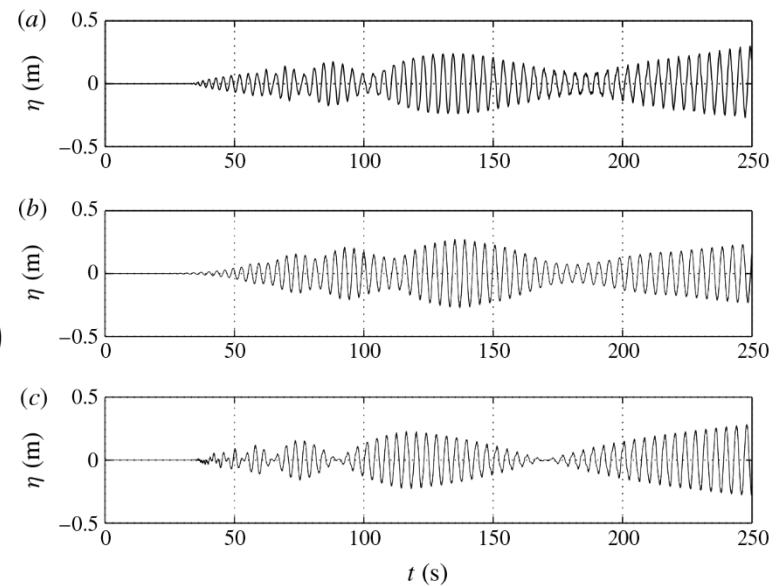
Mild-slope equation weakly compressible fluid (MSEWC)

$$C_n = \frac{2\beta_n h + \sinh(2\beta_n h)}{4\beta_n \cosh^2(\beta_n h)} \quad \omega^2 = g\beta_n \tanh(\beta_n h)$$

3D

Theory
(Stiassnie 2010)

2D



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Depth-integrated equation for porous bottom

$$\left(I_2^m \psi_{m,t}\right)_t - \nabla_h \cdot \left(I_1^m \nabla_h \psi_m\right) + \left(\omega^2 I_2^m - k_m^2 I_1^m\right) \psi_m + 2 R \varepsilon \frac{\omega}{c_s^2} K_n \psi_{m,t} = D_1^m h_t + D_2^m h_{s,t}$$

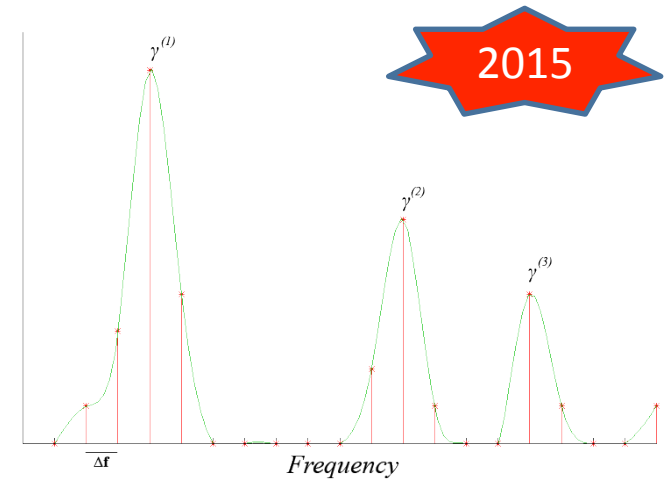
(MSEDWC)

$$I_1^m = I_{mm} + R K_{mm}$$

$$I_2^m = \frac{I_{mm}}{c^2} + R \frac{K_{mm}}{c_s^2} + \frac{1}{g}$$

$$D_1^m = -\left[M_m - R N_m\right]_{(-h)}$$

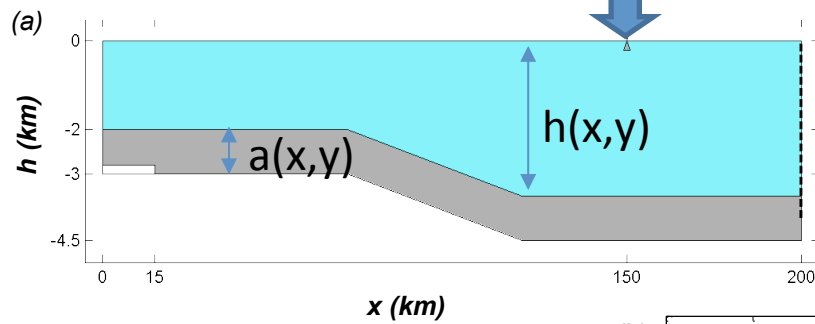
$$D_2^m = -\left[R N_m\right]_{(-h_s)}$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_n = \frac{(1 - \lambda_n T_n) \cosh(\beta_{w,n} (h + z)) + (\lambda_n - T_n) \sinh(\beta_{w,n} (h + z))}{(1 - \lambda_n T_n) \cosh(\beta_{w,n} h) + (\lambda_n - T_n) \sinh(\beta_{w,n} h)} \\ N_n = \frac{(\lambda_n - T_n) \cosh(\beta_{s,n} (h_s + z))}{\alpha_n \sinh(\beta_{s,n} a) [(1 - \lambda_n T_n) \cosh(\beta_{w,n} h) + (\lambda_n - T_n) \sinh(\beta_{w,n} h)]} \end{array} \right.$$

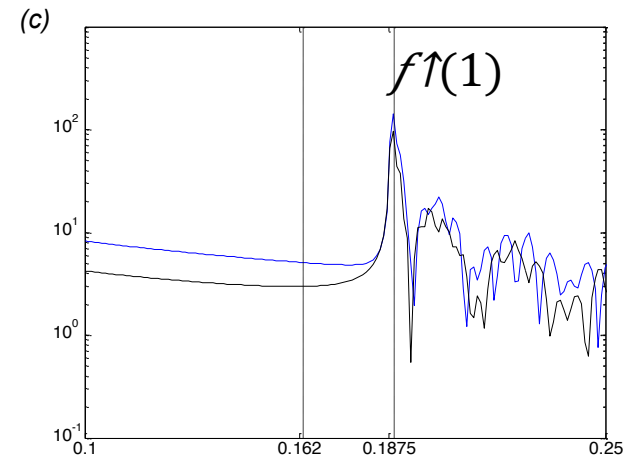
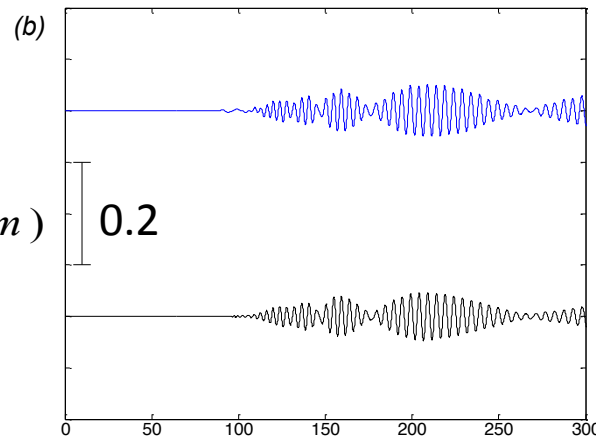
Depth-Integrated Equation for Hydro-acoustic Waves with Bottom Damping, 2015.
Journal of Fluid Mechanics, 766, R1. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1017/jfm.2015.37>

Model validation for Varying Bottom

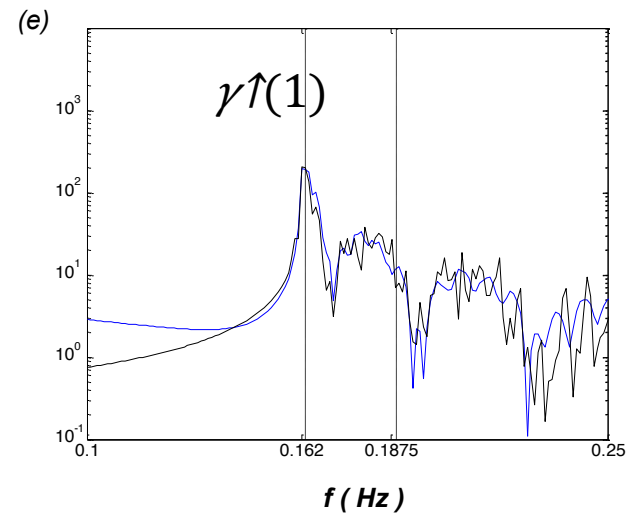
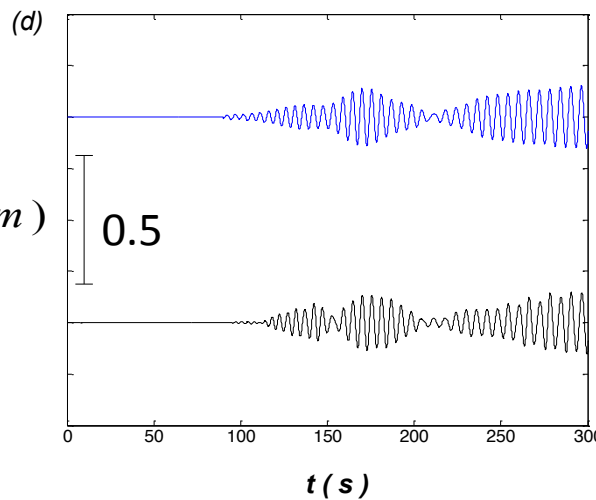


Results for FSE time series at 150 km from tsunamigenic source from 3D (blue) and 2D models (black).
(b,c) Results for impermeable sea bottom and **(d,e)** for coupled model.

Rigid Bottom η (m)

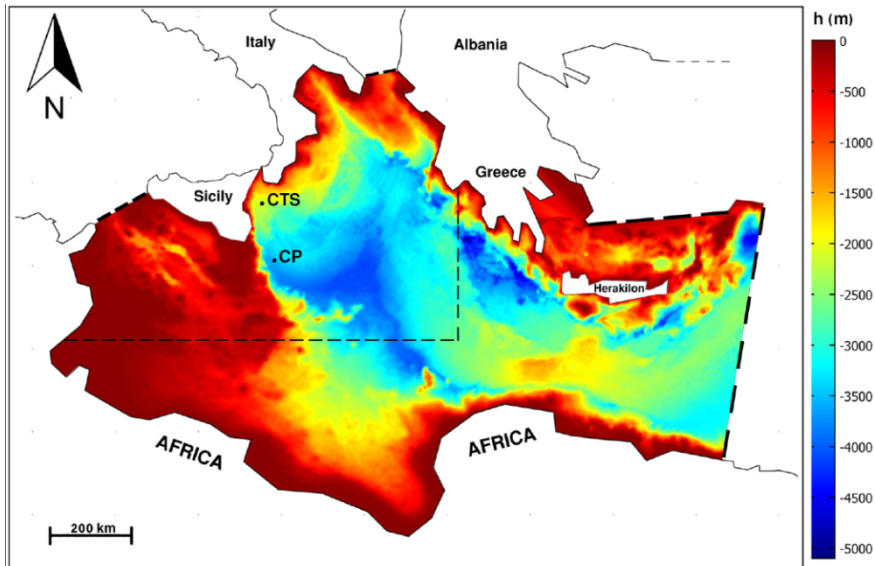


Permeable Bottom η (m)

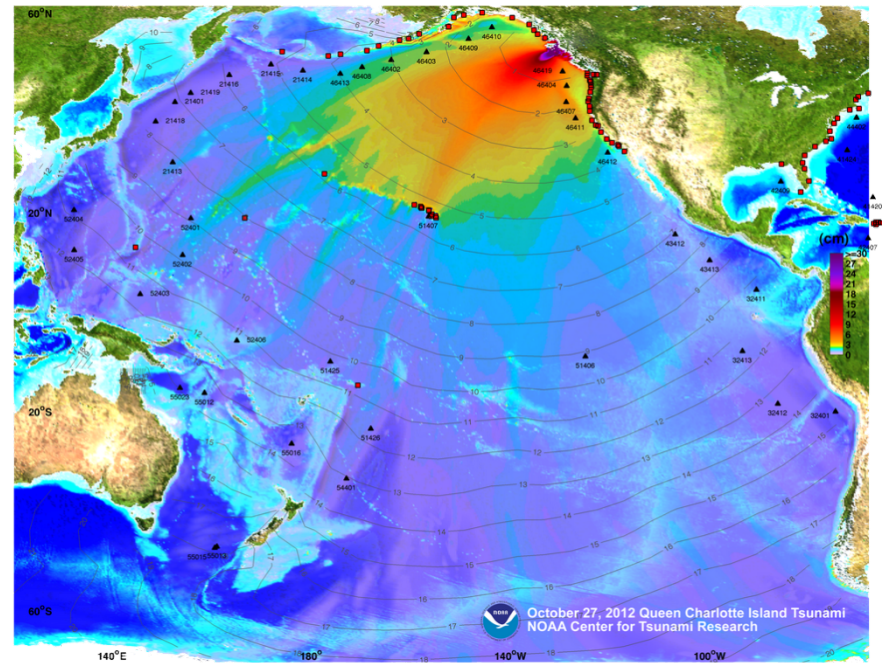


Large Scale Applications

365 AD Crete

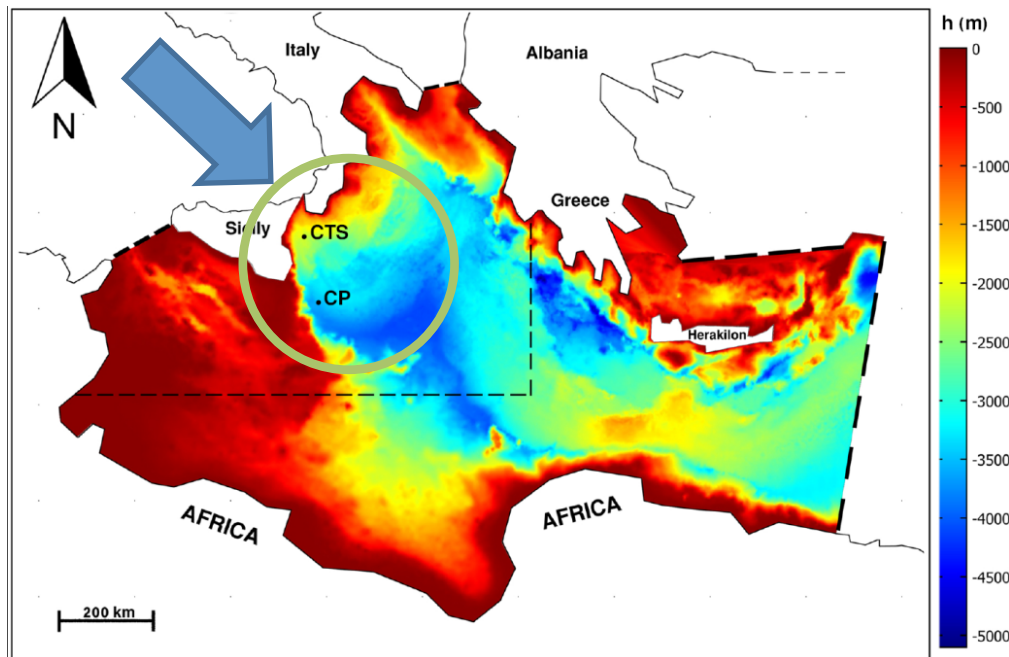


Haida Gwaii 2012



Multidisciplinary deep water observatories

- The Catania Test Site (CTS), 25 km offshore the East coast of Sicily, water depth 2 km $\rightarrow f \uparrow(1) = 0.2 \text{ Hz}$
- The Capo Passero (CP) observatory, 100 km offshore the coast, water depth 3.5 km $\rightarrow f \uparrow(1) = 0.1 \text{ Hz}$
- Both observatories are connected to shore through submarine electro-optical cables and equipped with hydrophones



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Large-scale numerical modeling of hydro-acoustic waves generated by tsunamigenic earthquakes (2014) Natural Hazards and Earth System Sciences-2014-153, DOI: [10.5194/nhessd-2-4629-2014](https://doi.org/10.5194/nhessd-2-4629-2014)

Long term observations in the open ocean – from seafloor to sea surface

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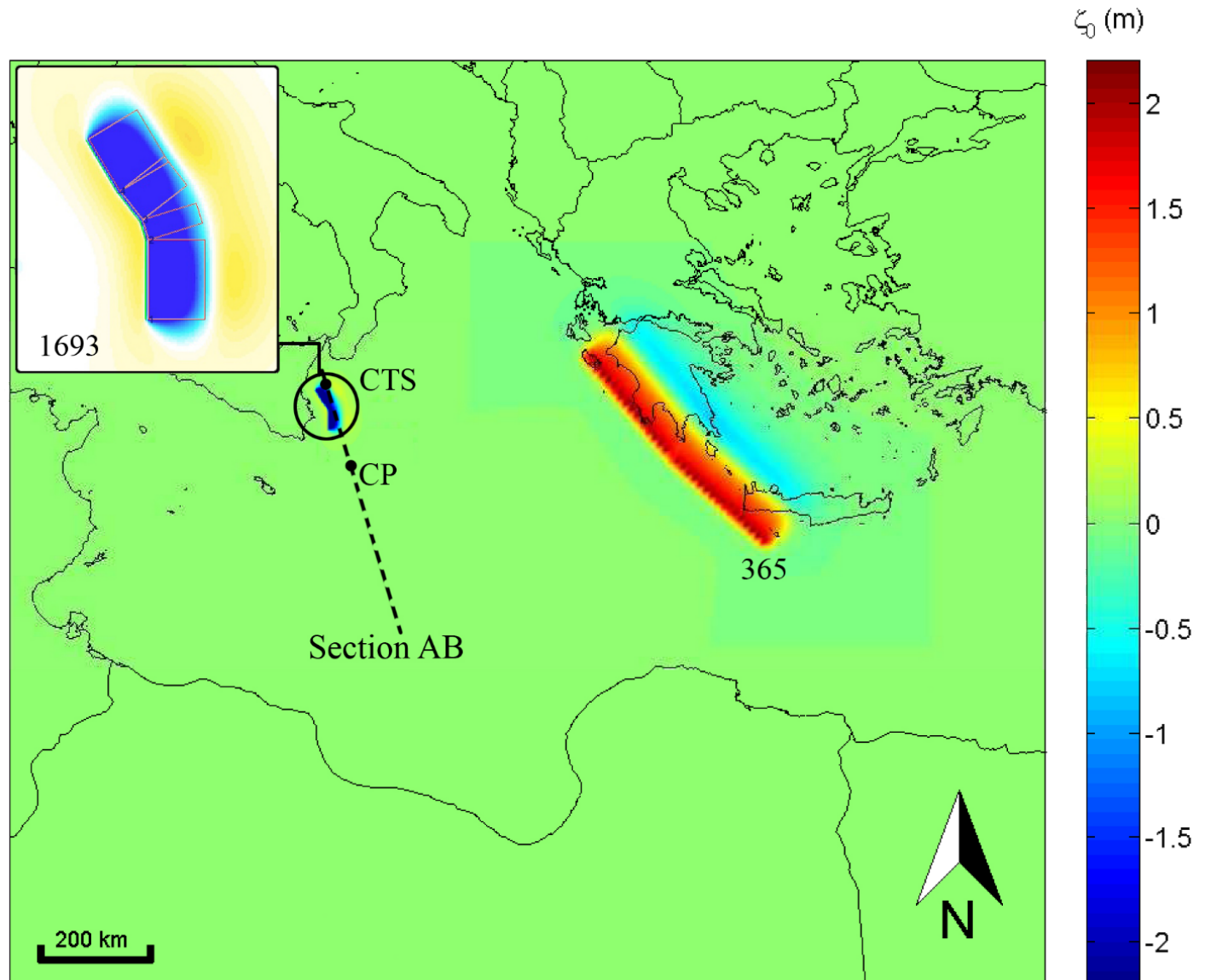
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- PLOCAN
- Norwegian Margin
- Iberian Margin
- Galway Bay - Irish West Coast
- Iroise Sea - Molene Island
- Ligurian Sea
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365 AD Scenario

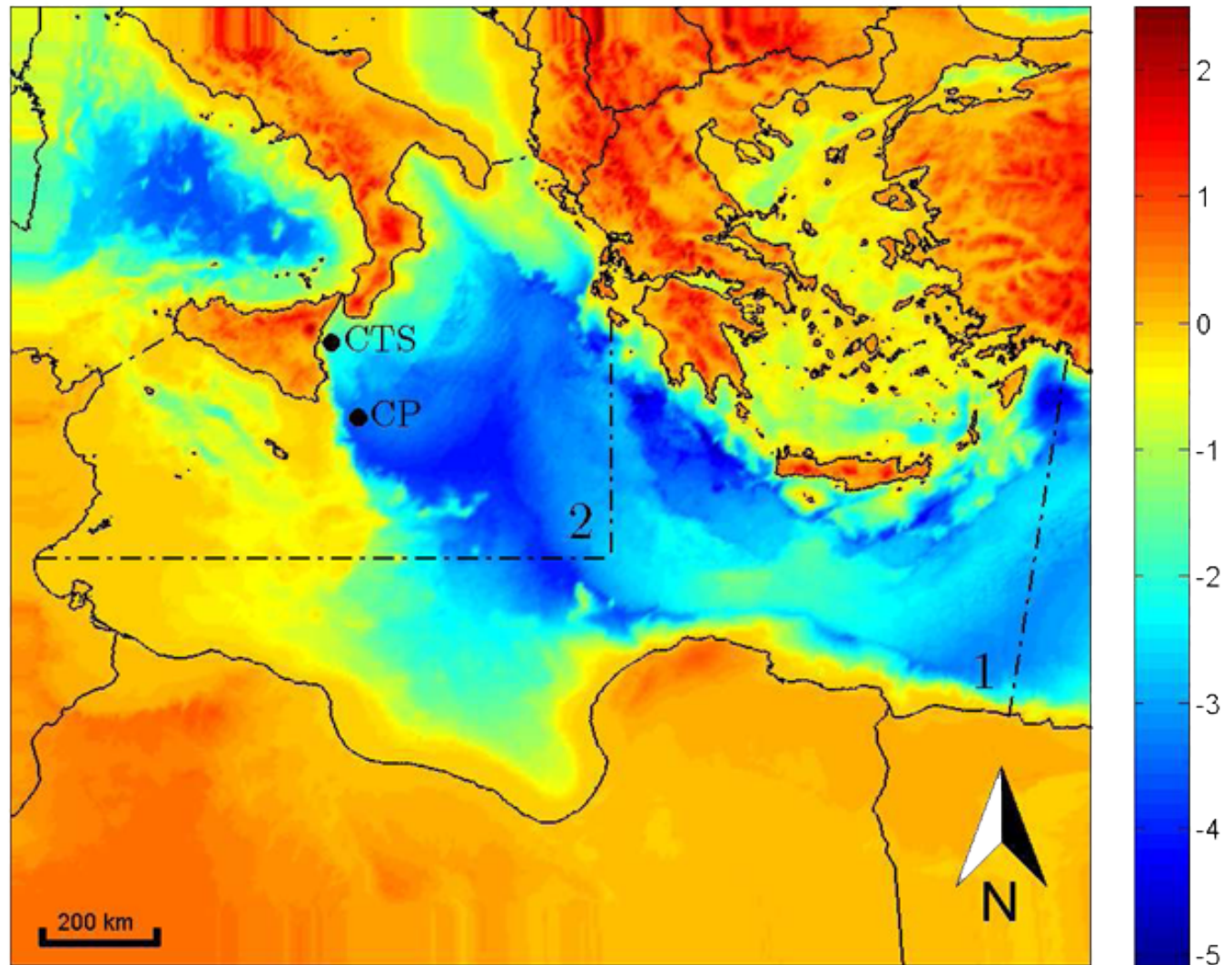


Tonini et al. 2011,
NHES vol. 11.



Sea Bottom Displacement

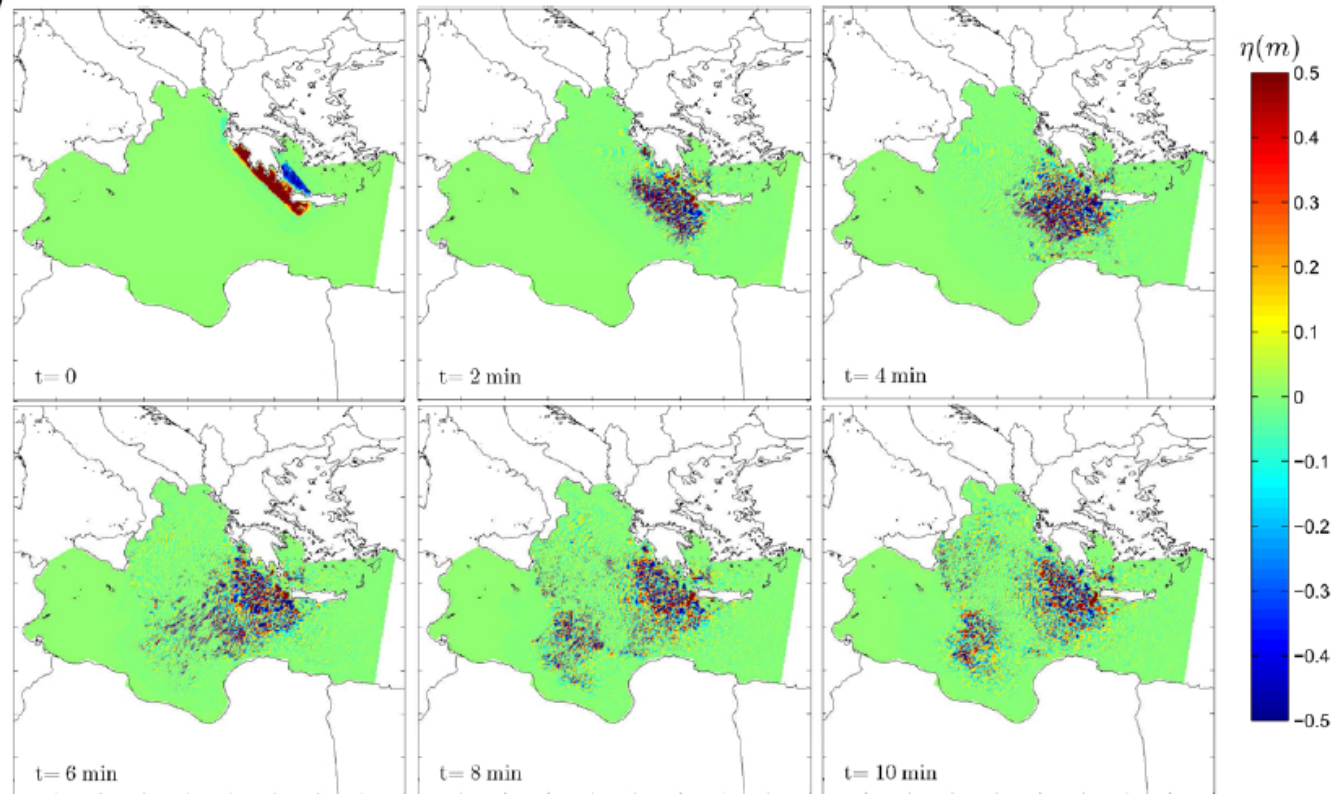
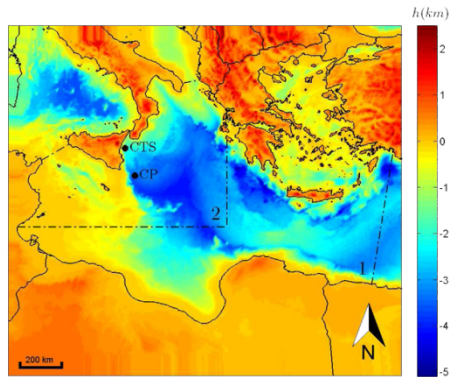
Bathymetry, Mediterranean Sea



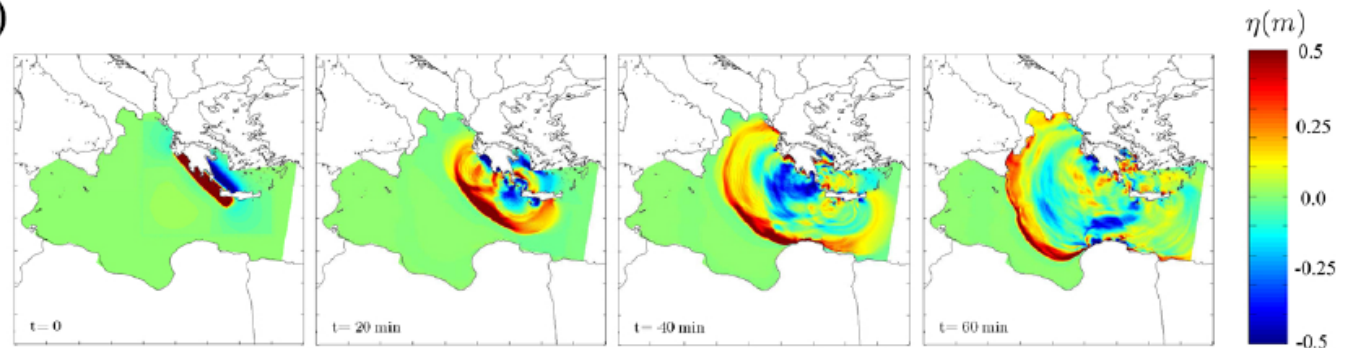
A Depth-Integrated Equation For Large Scale Modeling Of Tsunami In Weakly Compressible Fluid, International Conference of Coastal Engineering ICCE, Seoul, June. 2014. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.9753/icce.v34.currents.9>

365 AD Crete

(a)



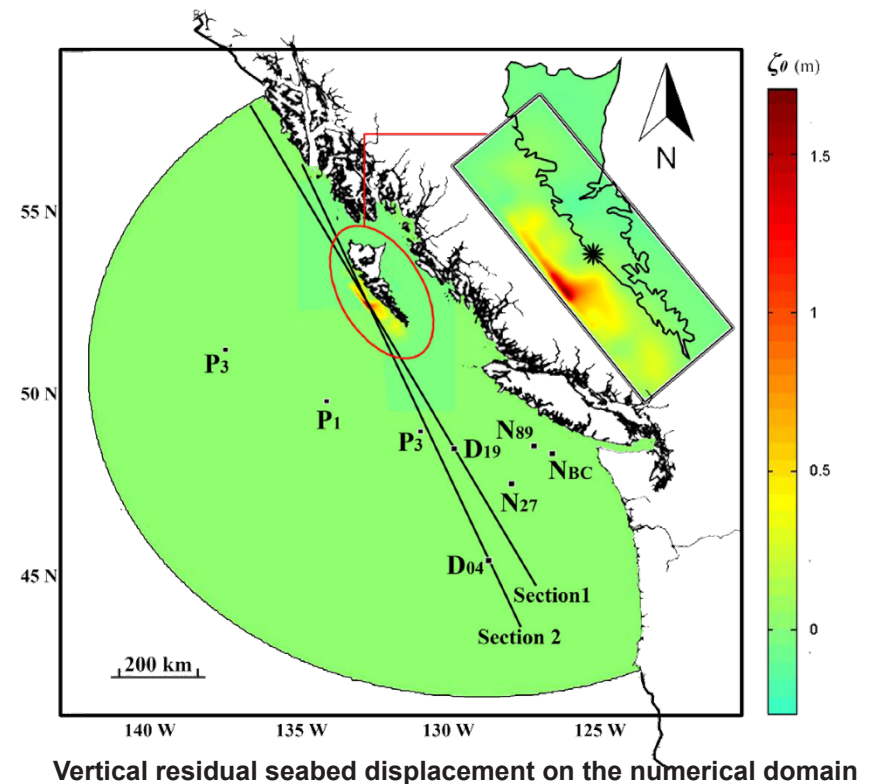
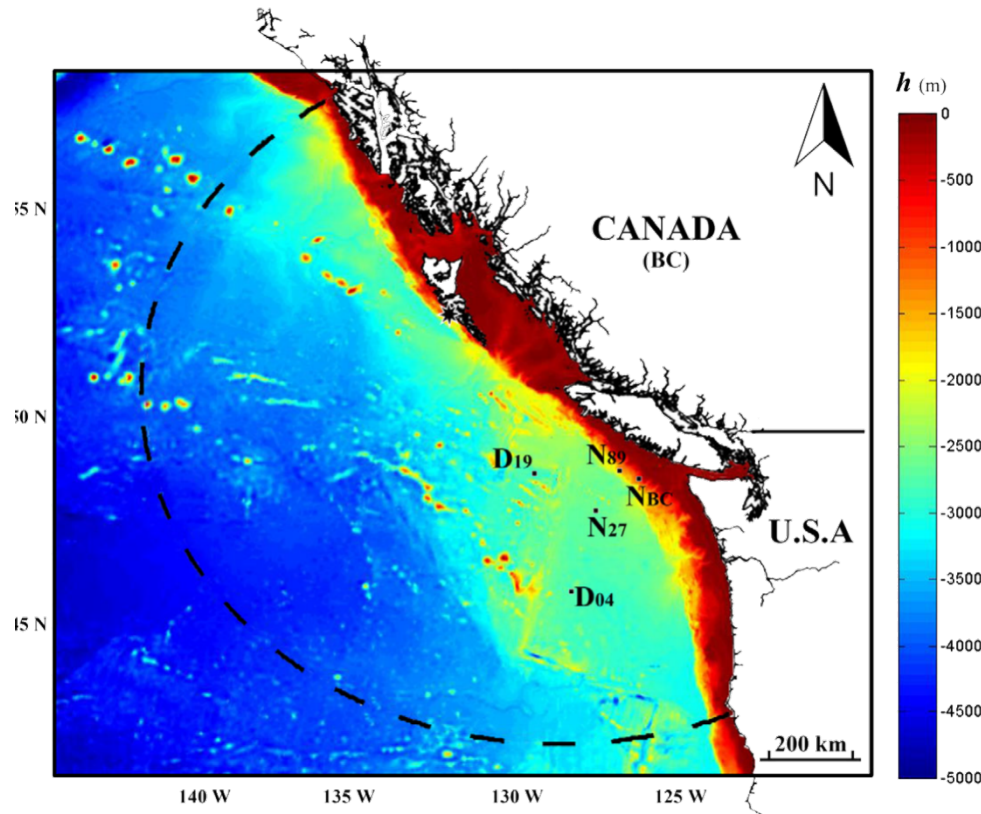
(b)



Snapshots of the free surface (η) hydroacoustic perturbation (a) and gravity wave (b) given by the AD 365 earthquake. $t = 0$ refers to the time of occurrence of the earthquake

Haida Gwaii 2012 Event

Bathymetry and vertical seabed displacement



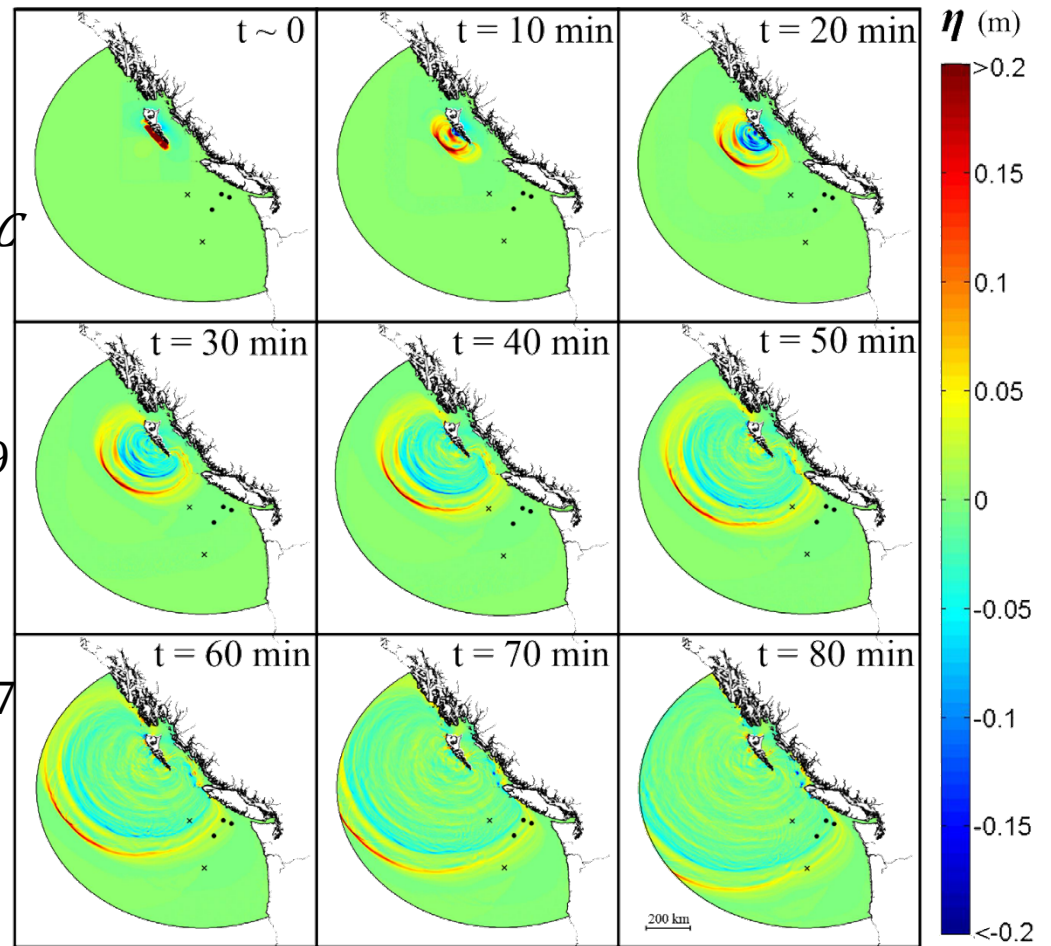
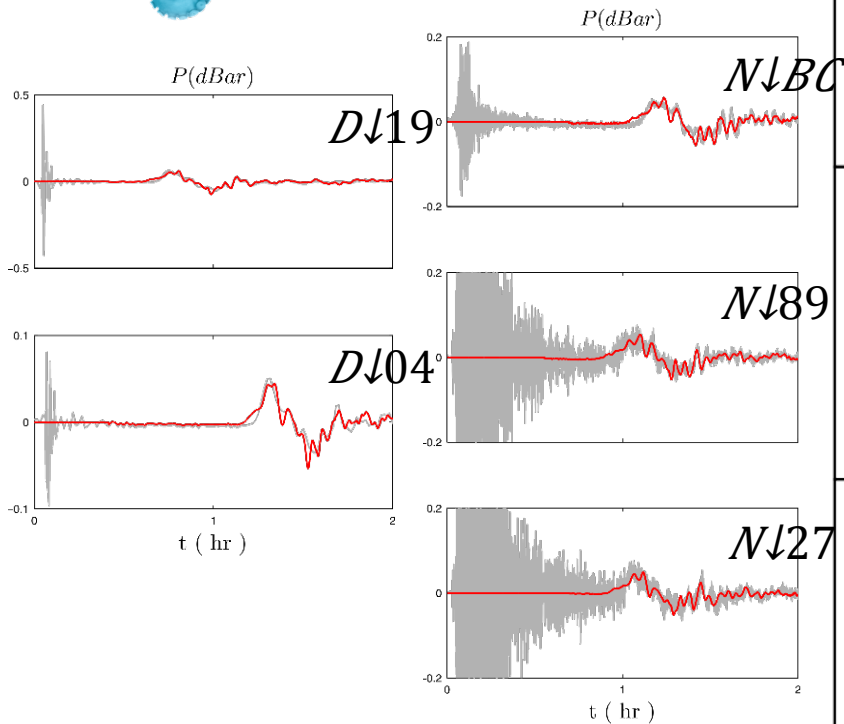
- Bathymetry data of the west Canadian and USA coast (ETOPO1 data).
- Lay et al. (2013)
- DART recordings at D04 and D19
- Ocean Networks Canada observatories including bottom pressure and seismometers



Tsunami Wave (Haida Gwaii, 2012)



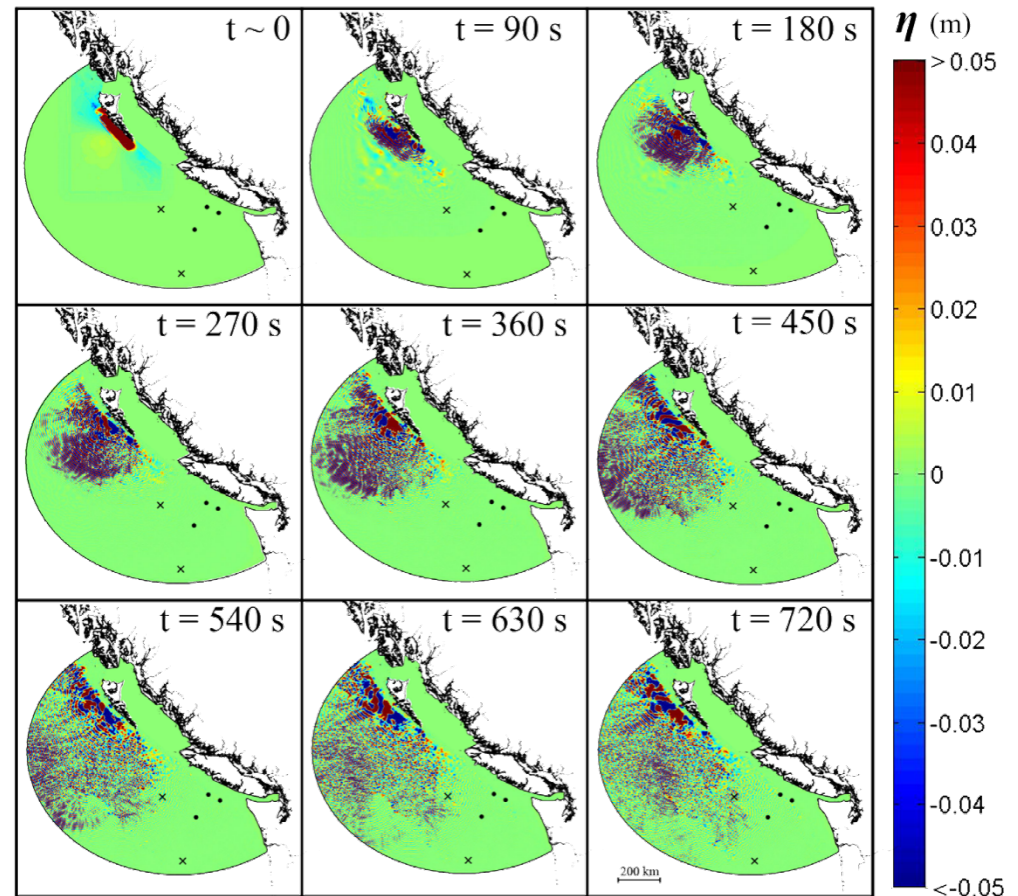
Evolution of Long Gravitational Tsunami Waves



Hydro-acoustic Waves (Haida Gwaii, 2012)

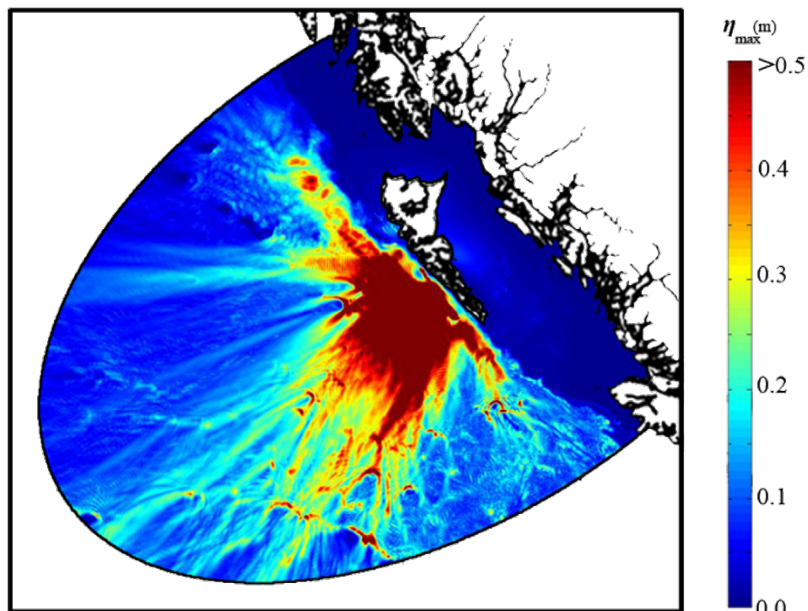
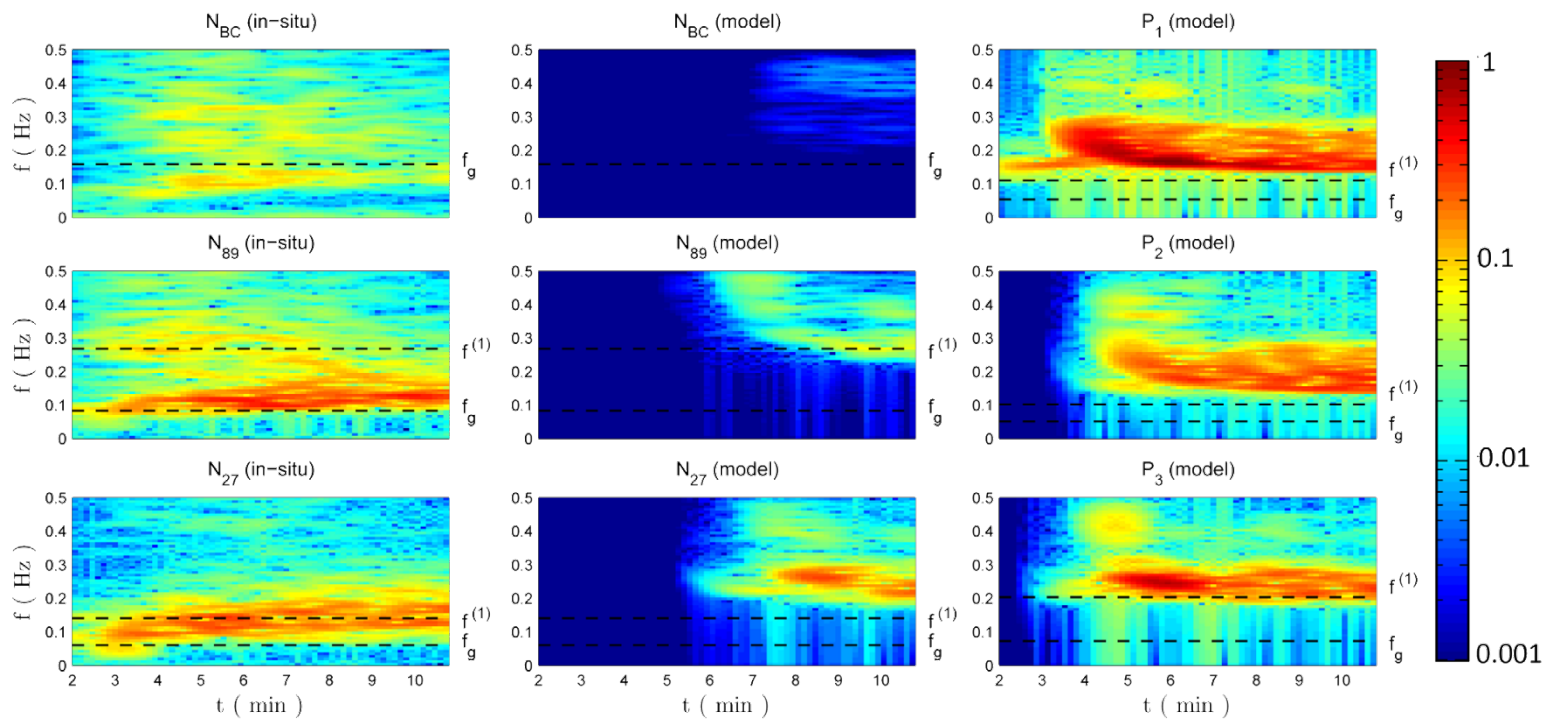


Evolution of Hydroacoustic Waves



Hydro-acoustic and tsunami waves generated by the 2012 Haida Gwaii earthquake: modeling and in-situ measurements, 2015, Journal of Geophysical Research; Ocean, 120, 2014JC010385.

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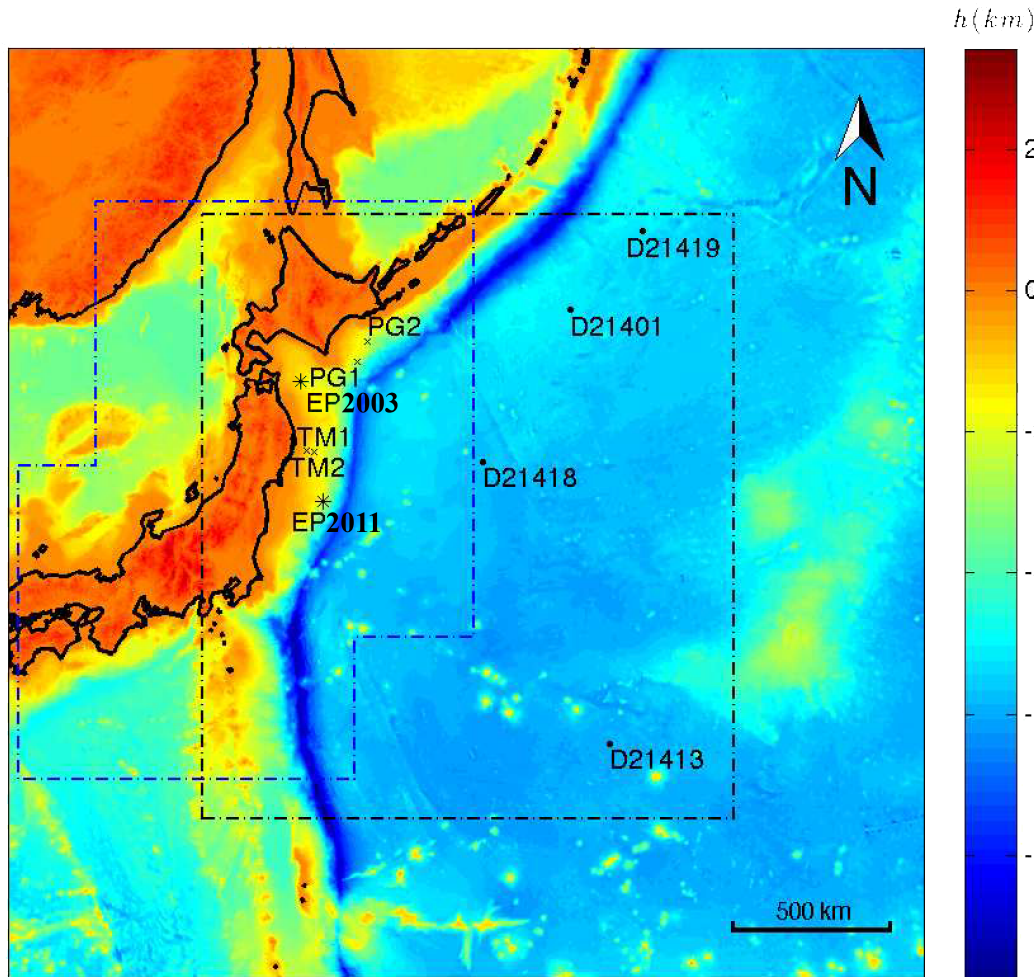
Spectrograms of the bottom pressure normalized by dividing by maximum value. The first column refer to the in situ bottom pressure recorded at NBC, N89, and N27; the second and third columns of plots refer to the simulated hydro-acoustic bottom pressure at the Neptune stations and at points P1, P2, and P3

Maximum absolute values of the free surface (η) of the hydro-acoustic wave generated by the HaidaGwaii earthquake on 28 October 2012

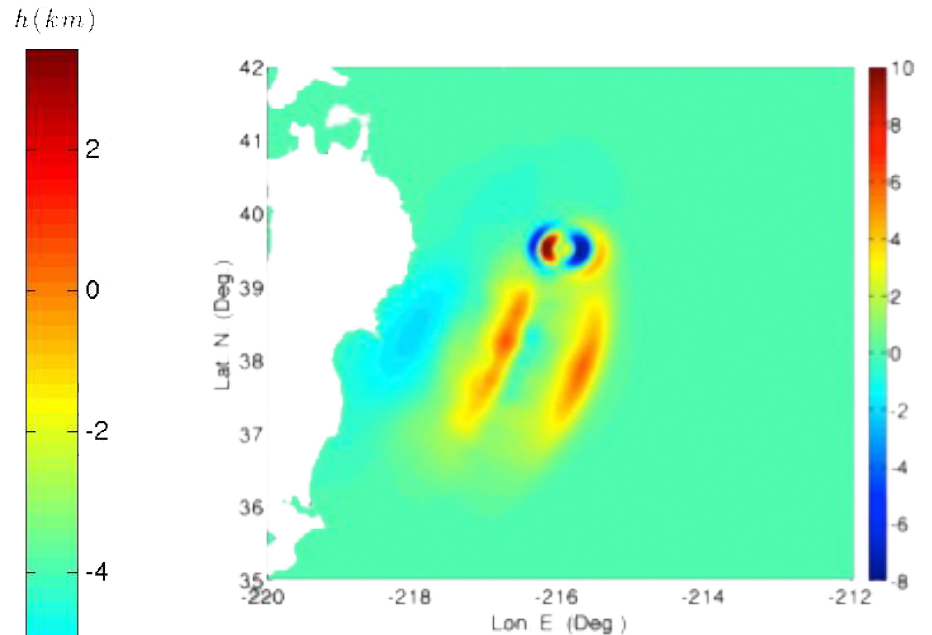
Conclusions

- We have derived a hyperbolic mild-slope equation for hydro-acoustic waves in weakly compressible fluids for rigid and porous bottoms (MSEWC & MSEDWC).
- The model equation has been validated by comparing with a three-dimensional solver of the governing equations
- First simulations on a real, large scale bathymetry
- Suggestion on where to locate the submarine observatories (hydrophones) for the early detection: not in shallow waters!

Next steps: Tohoku-Oki 2011 (Japan)



Bathymetry and numerical domain with placement of DART and JAMSTEC Observatories



Vertical residual seabed displacement (combination of SMF and Earthquake) (Tappin et al. 2014)



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