

# Retrospect on the modelling activities 2005 - 2014 for the German-Indonesian Tsunami Early Warning System

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- GITEWS overview
- Evolution of TsunAWI and the scenario repository
- Focus: dataproducts
- Focus: scenario selection
- Focus: inundation simulation

# GITEWS Timeline



## German-Indonesian Tsunami Early Warning System



2005-2011 GITEWS project funded by BMBF

Nov. 2008 Inauguration of the tsunami early warning system in Jakarta

Sep. 2010 Evaluation by international experts

March 2011 Transfer of Ownership to Indonesia

2011-2014 PROTECTS – PROject for Training, Education and Consulting for Tsunami early warning Systems, BMBF



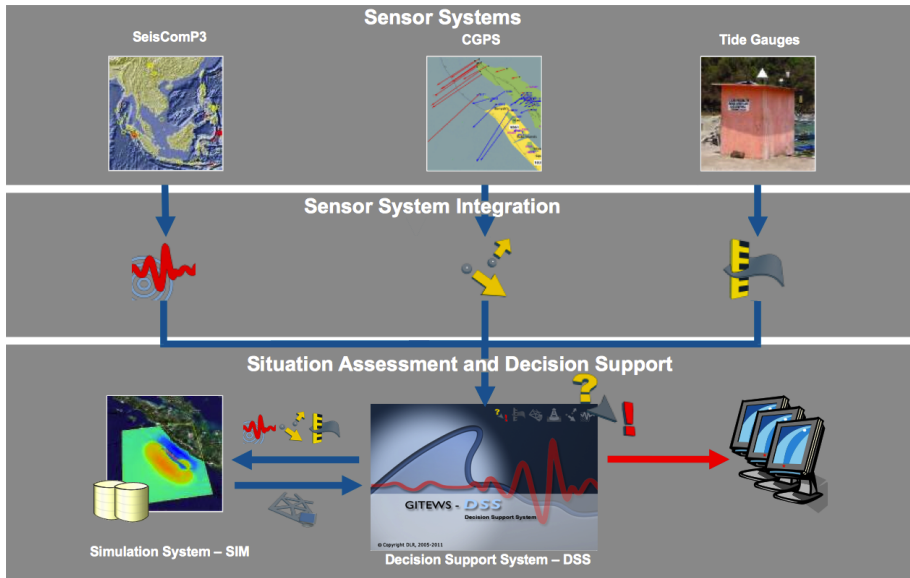
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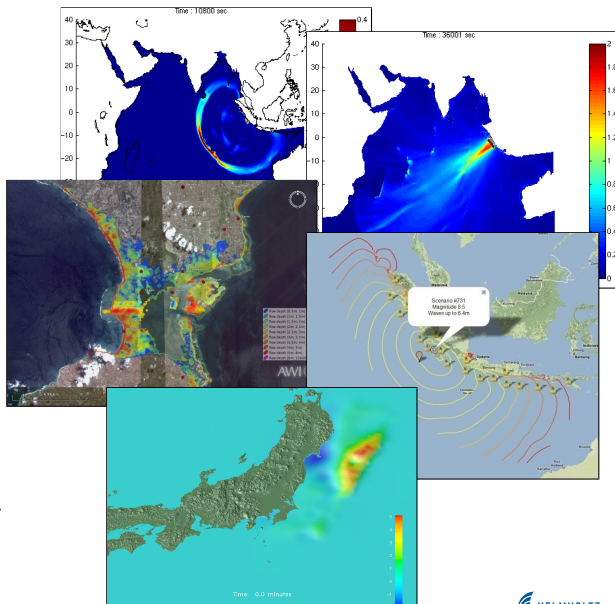
# GITEWS System Overview



# GITEWS Simulation Products



- Regional
  - SSH time series
  - max. wave height
  - arrival times
  - inundation
- Indian Ocean
  - max. wave height
  - arrivaltimes
- Project regions
  - inundation
- verification with data from real events



## Non-linear Shallow Water Equations

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + g \nabla \zeta + f \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} + \frac{r}{H} \mathbf{v} |\mathbf{v}| + \nabla (K_h \nabla \mathbf{v}) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (H \mathbf{v}) = 0$$

Cartesian coordinates  $(x, y) \in \Omega$ ,  
 sea surface height  $\zeta$ ,  
 Coriolis parameter  $f$ ,

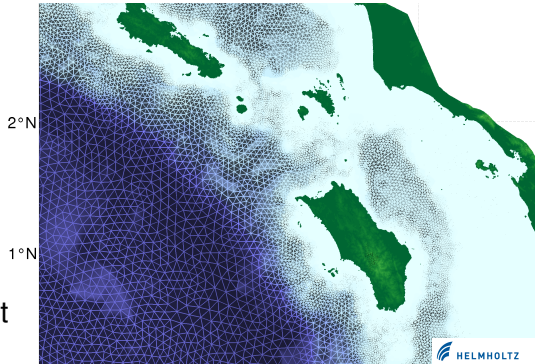
horiz. velocity  $\mathbf{v} = (u, v)$ ,  
 total waterdepth  $H = h + \zeta$ ,  
 Manning roughness coefficient  $r$ ,

linear viscosity  $K_h = c_1 \Delta x \Delta y$

Smagorinsky visc.  $K_h = c_2 \Delta x \Delta y \Delta t \sqrt{(u_x)^2 + (v_y)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(u_y + v_x)^2}$

## In a nutshell

- Sibling of full ocean model FESOM
- Unstructured  $P_1 - P_1^{\text{NC}}$  finite element grid,  $\Delta x \leq \min \left( c_t \sqrt{gh}, c_g \frac{h}{\nabla h} \right)$
- Initial conditions: Okada parameters, source model, land slide model
- Leap-frog time stepping
- Modules for tides, non-hydrostatic pressure
- Fortran90, [OpenMP](#), [netcdf](#)
- Visualization with Matlab, [OpenDX](#), GIS
- Scripts for batch and post processing, shapefile output



# TsunAWI scenario repository



## Scenarios 2007-2010

**model physics** linear shallow water

**source model** by GFZ: RuptGen 1.0, 1900 sources  
336 epicenters, Mw=7.5, 7.7, **8.0**, 8.2, **8.5**, 8.7, **9.0**

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Scenarios 2007-2010 → since 2011

**model physics** linear shallow water

- nonlin. advection added, Smagorinsky viscosity, improved inundation scheme

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- RuptGen 2.1, 3470 sources

528 epicenters, Mw=7.2, 7.4, 7.6, . . . , 8.8, 9.0

**bathymetry** GEBCO 1', accurate datasets for coastal regions

- GEBCO 30" instead of GEBCO 1'

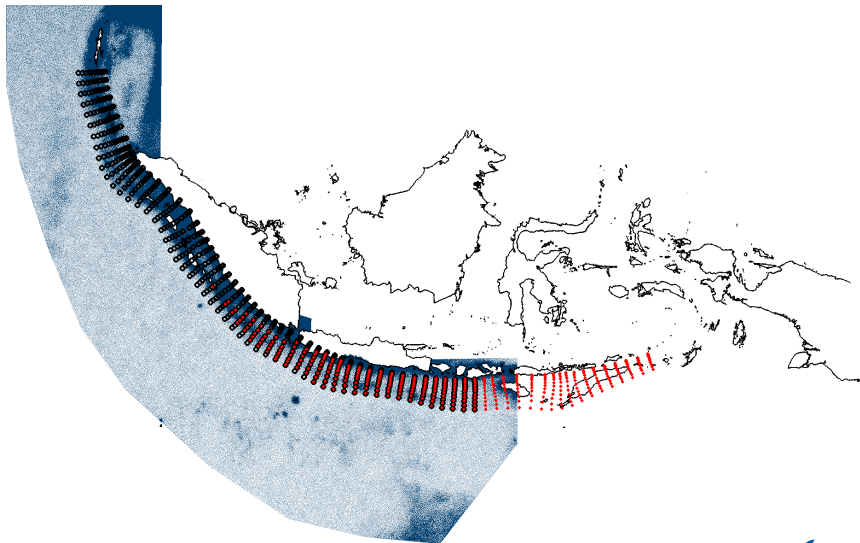
**technical improvements**

- faster calculation, reduced scenario file size

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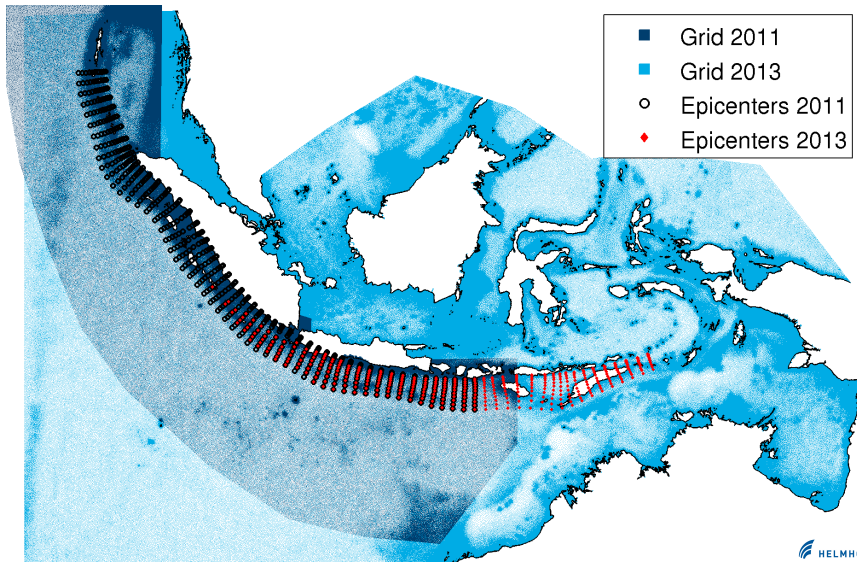
## Model domain for scenarios 2011



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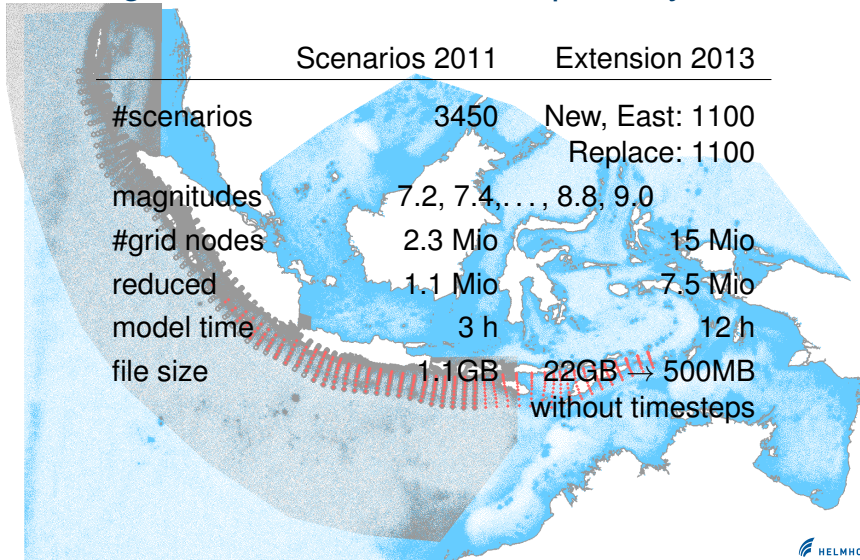


Model domain for scenarios 2011 and extension 2013





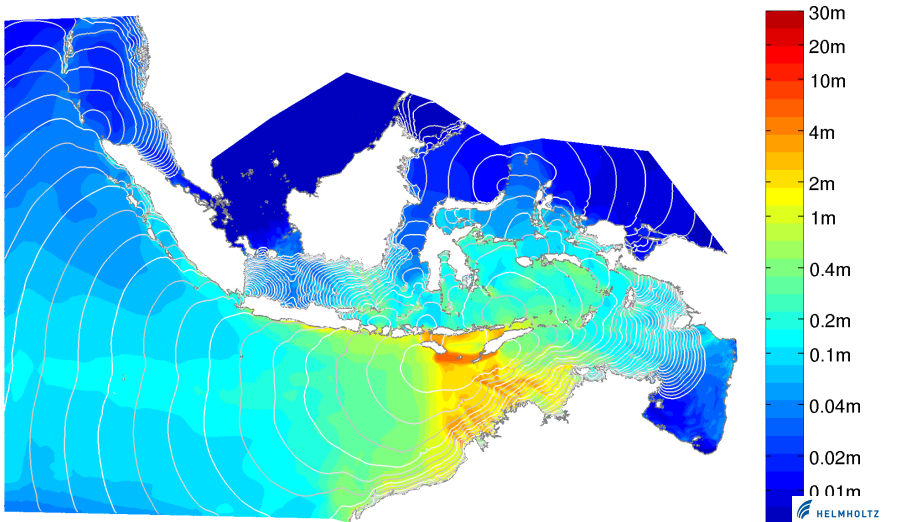
## Extending the tsunami scenario repository



# Scenario data products

## ETA isochrones and maximum amplitude

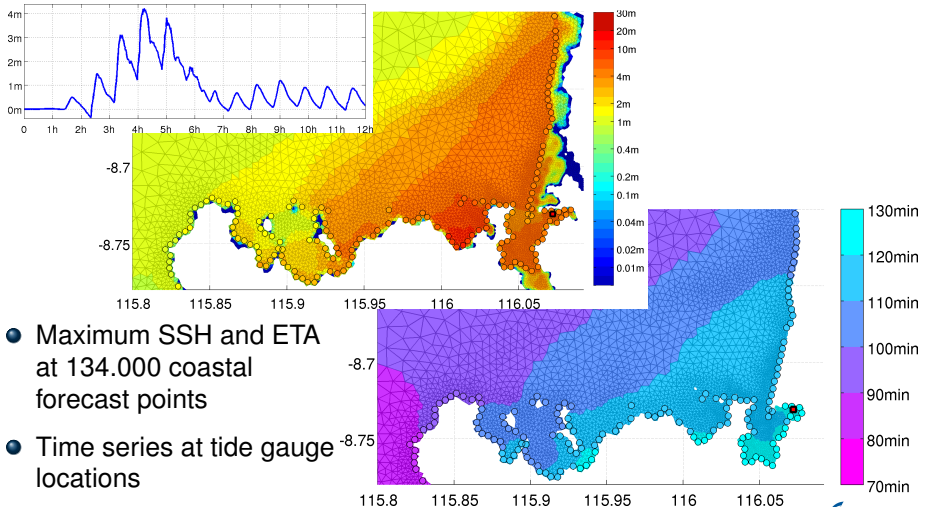
Example: Magnitude 9.0 in the Eastern Sunda Arc



# Scenario data products

## Coastal forecast points

Example: Magnitude 9.0 in the Eastern Sunda Arc, zoom to Lembar, Eastern Lombok

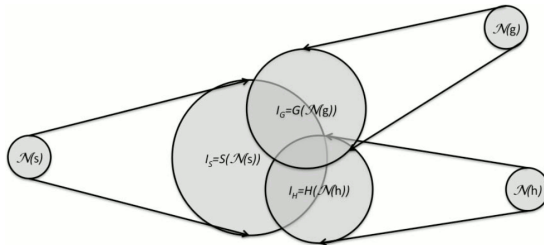


- Maximum SSH and ETA at 134.000 coastal forecast points
- Time series at tide gauge locations

## Theoretical background

### Uncertainty reduction with multiple sensors

- Combine multiple sensors with corresponding uncertainties,



- For each scenario, define mismatch as weighted sum over comparison of the sensor measurements to scenario data,
- Choose scenarios with mismatch below a given threshold.

## GITEWS Implementation

### **Regard each sensor type with its characteristics in mind!**

- Epicenter and magnitude are derived from multiple sensor data by approved SeisComP3.
  
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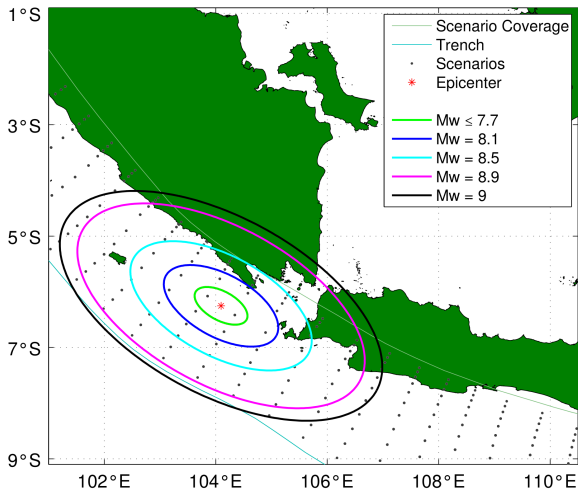
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→ Use epicenter and magnitude to pre-select scenarios.
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→ Refine scenario selection by comparing GPS measurement and scenario data.
- Tide gauges hard to use for early warning in an automated algorithm.  
→ Very valuable for all-clear and hind-casts.

# Scenario selection algorithm

## 1. Step: Seismic pre-selection



**Magnitude uncertainty:**  
[ $M - 0.5$ ;  $M + 0.3$ ].

**Epicenter uncertainty:**  
Ellipse parallel to the trench

$$r_L = 10^{0.5[M+0.3]-1.8} \text{ km},$$
$$r_W = \frac{1}{2} r_L.$$

## 2. Step: Refine by GPS matching

For all pre-selected scenarios, compare measured and scenario dislocation:

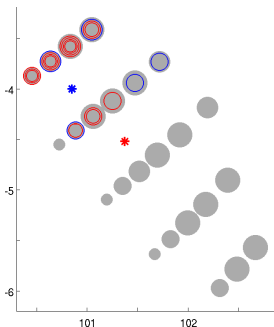
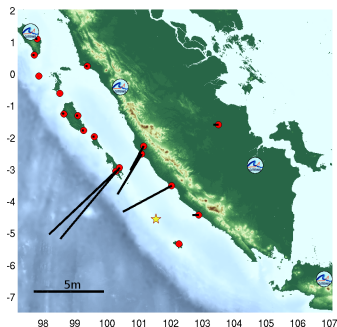
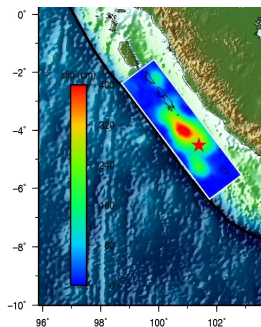
- Length of dislocation vectors (measurement with confidence interval),
- uncertainty factor of currently 3.5
  - Little experience with GPS measurements in Indonesia,
  - Limited set of scenarios: dip slip only, discrete epicentres, magnitudes,
  - Model uncertainty,
  - Strong earthquakes: saturation may take time, overshooting possible.
- If at least  $N$  measurements ( $N = 2$ , adjustable) do not fit for a scenario, the scenario is rejected.



# Scenario selection algorithm

## 2. Step CGPS e.g., Bengkulu Sept. 2007

USGS Finite Fault: Tsunami source NW of the epicenter.  
Measured GPS-dislocations strong in the NW, but not SE.



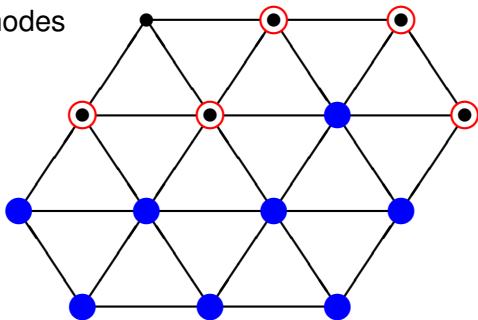
GPS matching would reject all scenarios in the SE, and some very strong scenarios in the NW.

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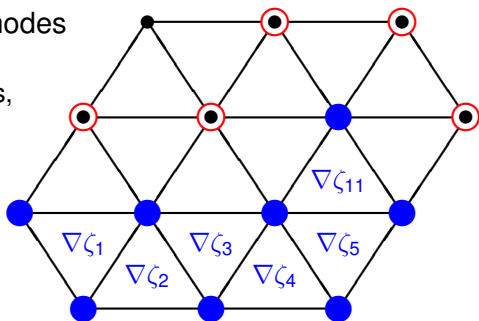
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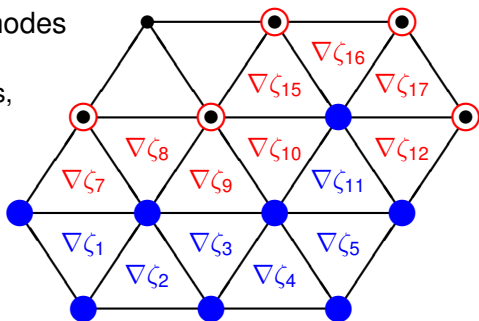
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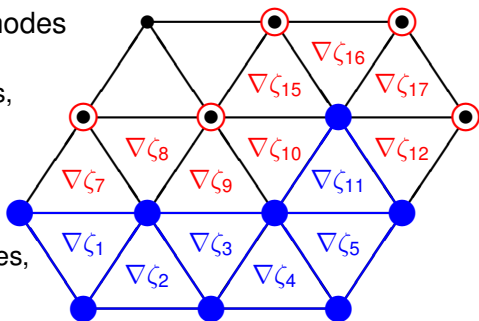
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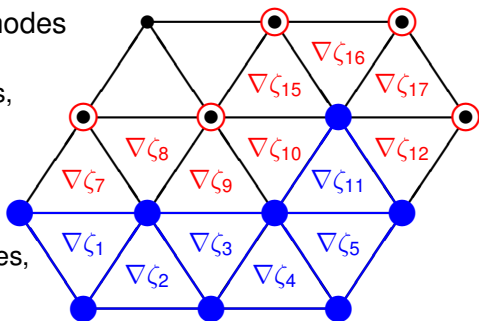
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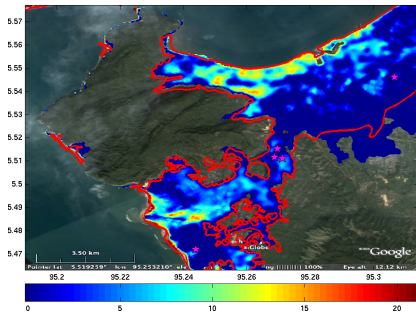
$$\zeta_n^{t+2\Delta t} = \sum_{m \text{ wet}}^{m \cap n \neq \emptyset} a_m \left( \zeta_m^t + (\nabla\zeta_m^{t+\Delta t}) \cdot (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{x}_m) \right).$$



# Inundation simulation

## Example: Banda Aceh 2004

Simulation shows good agreement with measurements.





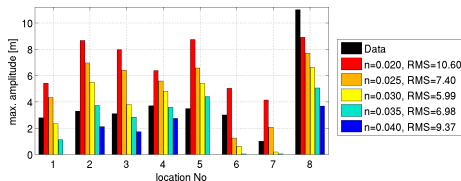
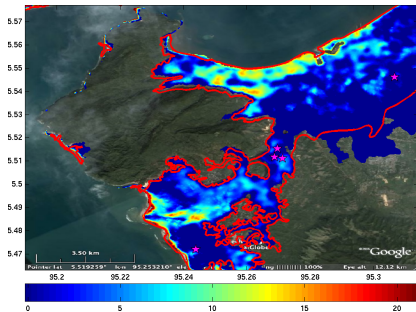
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However, calibration remains difficult. The result is sensitive to

- source model,
- Manning coefficient,
- mesh resolution,
- topography data.



## Sensitivity study on topography data

Three groups AIFDR, ITB, AWI,

Three models ANUGA, TUNAMI-N3, TsunAWI,

Three regions Padang (Sumatra), Maumere (Flores), Palu (Sulawesi)

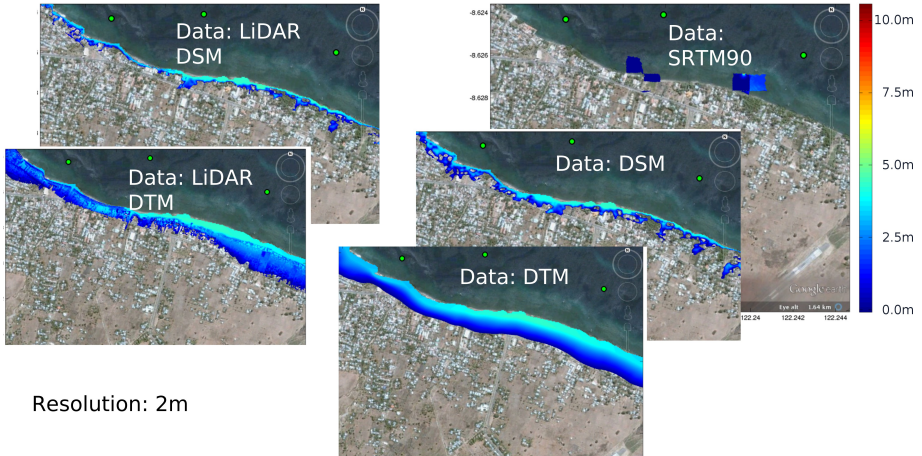
One conclusion **High quality topography data is crucial!**

- Free SRTM data (90m horizontal resolution,  $\leq 16\text{m}$  vertical accuracy) only for rough estimates,
- Intermap (5m; 0.7m) and LiDar (1m; 0.15m) comparable for shallow water models,
- Results more sensitive to varying data sets than to varying resolution.

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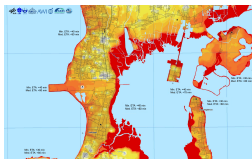
Example: synthetic scenario for Maumere, Flores



Resolution: 2m

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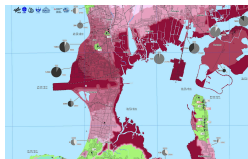
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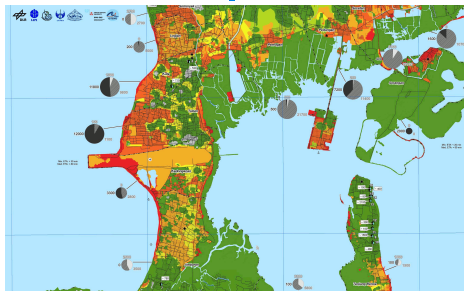


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evacuation time

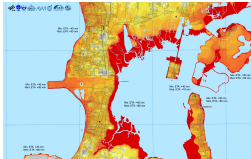
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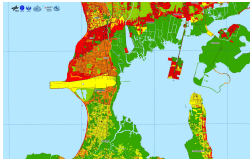
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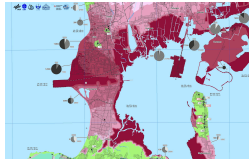
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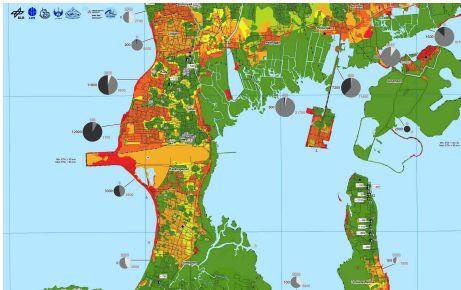


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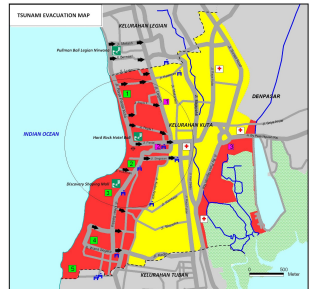
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risk map (with shelters)

giz, local  
community



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evacuation map

- Further support for Indonesia
- Interface/GUI for TsunAWI for easy use by trained experts,
- Near real time modelling with TsunAWI,
- Cooperation with Chile.
  
- TsunAWI as testbed for numerical techniques for ocean modelling, in particular a coastal model.