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Tsunamis :

"Large waves caused by seismic activity"

Ex: 1946 Aleutian Tsunami: Scotch Cap light house => wave runup, 42 meters minimum

"=> Coastal impact can be huge"

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Tsunami projects at URI

long waves (sol. waves,...): modeling/exper. of shoaling/breaking/runup (1989-)
 -> modeling/exper. of wave-induced sediment transport (2003-)

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- landslide tsunamis : numerical modeling/experiments of (1998-) :
 => Cohesive slides and slumps (1998-2006)
 - => Non-cohesive slides (2005-) (French/EC collaboration)
 - => Earthquake triggering of Submarine Mass Failure (SMF model./exp.) (NSF-PIRE project with TUB; 2005-2009)
- US East Coast tsunami risk (FMGlobal) : (Maretski et al., 2007)
 Nonte Carlo analysis of landslide tsunami risk -> runup (2005-2006)
 Follow-up: Cumbre Vieja collapse; Puerto Rico (2007-)
- 12/26/04 co-seismic tsunami : modeling of detailed coastal impact in Thailand (including Phi Phi); contribution to Thai warning system (2005–)
- Tsunami warning by remote sensing : (2006-) (French/TSUMOD collaboration)

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Tsunamis : two main generation mechanisms

 <u>Co-seismic displacement</u>: For large earthquake moment magnitude (M_w > 8), slipping motion of a subduction zone may cause large upwards motion of ocean bottom along a fault (e.g., 12/26/04)
 => overlying tsunami source



Tsunami Hazard

• <u>Tsunami amplitude</u> :

=> correlates with M_w for co-seismic displacement (Hammack, 1973)
 => only limited by vertical displacement for landslide (Murty, 1979)

- Thus for moderate M_w , landslide tsunamis may pose :
 - => greater threat to coastal communities (nearby, short warning)
 - => one of the *major coastal hazards* for moderate M_w , which are quite *frequent* earthquakes (Tappin et al., 1999).

Landslide tsunami generation : Mechanism





[Enet and Grilli, 2001–2003; NSF project; URI wavetank (3.6 x 1.8 x 30 m)] Dept. of Ocean Engineering, URI DFG- round table 4/23/07



Tsunami Modeling : fore-/hind-casting

- Three components are needed :
 - 1. A tsunami source (landslide or coseismic)
 - 2. Model grid(s) (bathymetry and topography; nesting ?)
 - 3. A generation and propagation/runup model

• In hindcasting mode :

- 1. comparison with observations (e.g., tide gage elevations)
- 2. Iterative *refinement* of the source parameters

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Ex. of earlier work with 2D-FNPF NWTs

• *Solitary wave* breaking over a slope (velocity, acceleration) (Grilli and Subramanya, CP, 1996; Grilli et al., JWPCO 1994, 1997)







Model coupling to simulate wave breaking

• Coupling of 2D-NWT and 2D-NS-VOF (Grilli et al., 2004) with Lubin's, 2004 model. Example of NS-VOF result for sol. wave:





• Coupling 2D-FNPF/3D-NS-LES, with sediment transport (bed/suspended) -> Gilbert,Zedler,Grilli,Street (2005; IEEE 2007)





• Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV; Fernando et al., 2002) :



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Landslide tsunami modeling: methodology 98-07

- Triggering : ??? -> NSF-PIRE ongoing project
- Kinematics : idealized (slides or slumps), as a function of governing parameters (geometry, geology, geomechanics)
 - -> analytical/semi-empirical models validated by 2D/3D lab. experiments
- Landslide tsunami source : numerical model prediction (2D/3D-FNPF)
 - -> semi-empirical representation of sources for fast model initialization
 - -> experimental validation with large scale 2D and 3D experiments
- Tsunami propagation : long wave model (FUNWAVE: a validated fully nonlinear Boussinesq model) -> coastal runup/moving shoreline/inundation
- Cases studies : (Unimak, 1946; Kalapana, 1975; Skagway, 1992; PNG 1998,...)
 See: www.oce.uri.edu/~grilli -> for publications

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Modeling tsunami propagation

- Simulations of Nihonkai-Chubu tsunami of May 26, 1983 in the Japan Sea. Model results from Yoon (2002).
- Dispersive long-wave propagation • model (Boussinesq equations) vs. nondispersive model (NLSW eqs.)
- Tsunami from dispersion.

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Landslide Tsunami Generation Model

• Computed/measured tsunami Landslide surface elevation (Enet et al., ISOPE 2003; WAVE 2005; JWPCE 2007) :







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3D Landslide/slump Tsunami Generation Model

• FNPF Model to compute 3D SMF tsunami source elevation over a discretization as a function of kinematics SKETCH :





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12/26/04 Rupture

Rupture simulation, based on hydroacoustic measurements :

- 9.3 M, at 58'53" GMT
- 500 s rupture time
- 1200 km rupture size

(NNW)

[De Groot-Hedlin, C.D.,5/05]



12/26/04 tsunami source and modeling • Overview of 12/26/04 tsunami event (see other talks) • Source definition from geological and seismological constraints. Iterative source refinement to match tsunami observations but runup (tide gages, satellite transects,...) -> Grilli et al. (2005; 2007, JWPCE, in press) • Detailed modeling of the event in Thailand (case study in a nested grid) : runup, coastal impact -> Collaboration with Thailand -> Ioualalen et al. (2007, JGR, in press)

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Tsunami source parameters and basin model grid • Ocean basin simulations : FUNWAVE on 1' x 1' grid (1.85 km x 1.85 km) • ETOPO 2 : bathymetry and topography merged with better coastal data from Thai Navy maps • Rupture: simplest possible source => 5 independent segments/sources triggered at different times (0 to _10-600 s -> 1213 s) (Okada, 1985)

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Seismic inversion models • Use seismic wave data measured at seismographs • Inverse propagation modeling to reconstitute earthquake source parameters • Prediction of ocean bottom uplift and subsidence [Ammon et al., 5/05;] Dept. of Ocean

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Propagation model

- Fully Nonlinear Boussinesq model (Wei et al, 1995...; Kirby, 2003) (FUNWAVE)
- Fully nonlinear and keeps dispersion to high-order -> Dispersion modeled where it matters
- Bottom friction and wave breaking dissipation.
- Moving shoreline algorithm -> accurate runup and inundation



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Locations	Model	Model	Field
	runup	(long. E, lat. N)	runup
Northern tip, Aceh, Indonesia	11.8 m	(95.248,5.573)	20-28 m
Upper NW, Aceh, Indonesia	10.9 m	(95.284,5.559)	12.2 m
Upper NW, Aceh, Indonesia	10.2 m	(95.307,5.567)	9.8-10.3 m
Upper NW, Aceh, Indonesia	10.2 m	(95.323,5.570)	10-11 m
Upper NW Aceh, Indonesia	23.6 m	(95.341,5.067)	5-35 m
Colombo, Sri Lanka	1.9 m	(79.883,6.812)	2.1 m (t. gage)
Galle, Sri Lanka	2.4 m	(80.475,5.974)	2-3 m
SE coast, Sri Lanka	5.5 m	(81.816,7.427)	5-10 m
Chennai, India	3.2 m	(80.285,13.552)	2.9 m
Nagappaattinam, India	2.4 m	(79.740,10.865)	2-3.5 m
Port Blair, India	5.6 m	(92.000,11.702)	5.0 m
Rangoon, Burma	1.3 m	(96.966,17.309)	NA
Kamala Bch., Phuket, Thailand	4.9 m	(98.275,7.973)	4.5-5.3 m
Patong Bch., Phuket, Thailand	4.1 m	(98.276,7.900)	4.8-5.5 m
Ko Phi Phi, Thailand	2.8 m	(98.777,7.739)	4.6-5.8 m

[FUNWAVE simulation 1' grid with ETOPO2: runup]







Tsunami impact in Thailand: regional grid

- Regional basin simulations : • 0.25' x 0.25' grid (450 m x 450 m)
- ETOPO 2 : bathymetry and ٠ topography merged with Thai Navy maps of Coastal Thailand.
- Rupture: Same source as for basin ٠ scale since propagation is E-W

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Conclusions

- <u>Sciences issues</u>: (i) source timing/3D effects for co-seismic tsunamis (beyond Okada, 1985)
 - (ii) triggering of landslide tsunamis (current NSF project
 - (iii) systematic study of dispersion in tsunami trains
 - (iv) spherical Boussinesq model for basin scale propagation -> has been implemented
 - (v) predicting details of runup, flooding, structural effects due to tsunamis -> boundary fitted irregular curvilinear grids has been implemented
- See : webpage for publications (http://www.oce.uri.edu/~grilli)



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[Initial modeling for approximate source]

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