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# Modeling of the Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018 Anak Krakatau volcano lateral collapse and tsunami based on recent field surveys: comparison with observed tsunami impact

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## Abstract

The Dec. 22, 2018 lateral collapse of the Anak Krakatau (AK) volcano in the Sunda Straits of Indonesia discharged volcanoclastic material into the 250 m deep caldera southwest of the volcano and generated a large tsunami, causing runups of up to 85 m in the near-field, and 13.5 m in the far-field, on the nearby coasts of Sumatra and Java. The tsunami caused 437 fatalities, the greatest number from a volcanically-induced tsunami since the catastrophic explosive caldera-forming eruption of Krakatau in 1883 and the sector collapse of Ritter Island in 1888. For the first time in over 100 years, the 2018 AK event provides an opportunity to study a major volcanically-generated tsunami that caused widespread loss of life and significant damage. Here, we present numerical simulations of the collapse and tsunami generation, propagation, and coastal impact, with state-of-the-art numerical models, using both a new parametrization of the collapse and a near-field

bathymetric dataset based on our 2019 field surveys and satellite images. These subaerial and submarine data sets are used to constrain the geometry and magnitude of the landslide mechanism, which show that the primary landslide scar bisected the AK edifice, cutting behind the central vent and removing 50% of its subaerial volume. The primary landslide volume is estimated to range from  $0.175 - 0.313 \text{ km}^3$ , based on uncertainties in the shape of the submerged part of the failure plane. This is supported by an independent estimate of the primary landslide deposit volume of  $0.214 \pm 0.036 \text{ km}^3$ . Given uncertainties in the failure volume, we define a range of potential failure surfaces that span these values in 4 collapse scenarios of volume ranging from 0.175 to  $0.313 \text{ km}^3$ . These AK collapses are modeled, assuming either a granular or viscous fluid rheology, together with their corresponding tsunami generation and propagation. Observations of a single tsunami, with no subsequent waves, are consistent with our interpretation of landslide failure in a rapid, single phase of movement rather than a more piecemeal process, generating a tsunami which reached nearby coastlines within  $\sim 30$  minutes. For both modelled rheologies, the  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$  collapse (second and preferred scenario) most successfully reproduces the near- and far-field tsunami flow depth and runup observed in all post-event field survey results, tide gauge records, and eyewitness reports to date, suggesting our estimated landslide volume range is appropriate. This event highlights the significant hazard posed by relatively small-scale lateral volcanic collapses, which can occur *en-masse*, without any precursory signals, and are an efficient and unpredictable tsunami source. Our successful simulations demonstrate that current numerical models can accurately forecast tsunami hazards from these events. In cases such as Anak Krakatau's, the absence of precursory warning signals, together with the short travel time following tsunami initiation present a major challenge for mitigating tsunami coastal impact, stressing the need to develop and install early warning systems for such events.

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## 53 **1 Introduction**

54 Over the past 20 years, catastrophic tsunamis in Papua New Guinea (1998), the Indian Ocean  
55 (2004), and Japan (2011) have led to major advances in understanding and modeling tsunamis from  
56 submarine landslides, earthquakes, and dual mechanisms. These advances have mainly focused on  
57 improving constraints on these recent events and their geographical distribution, together with  
58 improved numerical tsunami modelling capability (e.g., Tappin et al., 2008; Grilli et al., 2007;  
59 Ioualalen et al., 2007; Grilli et al., 2013; Kirby et al., 2013; Tappin et al., 2014; see Yavari-Ramshe  
60 and Ataie-Ashtiani, 2016, for a recent review). Tsunamis from volcanic eruptions and collapses  
61 remain less well-studied because, up until recently, there were few well-recorded and researched  
62 events. However, they have the potential for generating mega-tsunamis (Paris et al., 2020b),  
63 resulting in significant loss of life and property (Day, 2015; Paris, 2015), and they account for  
64 approximately 20% of all volcanic fatalities over the past 400 years (Auker et al., 2013).

65 Most known lateral collapse events at volcanic islands are prehistoric, and their tsunami  
66 generation is inferred from the distribution of their submarine deposits rather than being based on  
67 direct observations. In some cases, elevated boulder deposits provide supporting evidence of  
68 extreme wave heights being produced by these collapses (e.g., Paris et al., 2020b). Many such  
69 events were large-volume ( $> 10 \text{ km}^3$ ) lateral volcanic collapses of ocean islands above mantle  
70 plumes, such as in the Canary Islands (e.g., Ward and Day, 2001; Day et al., 2005; Løvholt et al.,  
71 2008; Abadie et al., 2012; Giachetti et al., 2012) and Hawaii (e.g., McMurty et al., 2003). In  
72 contrast, some were smaller scale events on subduction zone volcanoes, including historical edifice  
73 collapses such as those at Ritter Island 1888 ( $5 \text{ km}^3$ ; Ward and Day, 2003) and Stromboli 2002  
74 ( $0.01 \text{ km}^3$ ; Tinti et al., 2006; Fornaciai et al., 2019). Of historical events, the best studied eruption-

generated tsunami is that at Krakatau, Indonesia in 1883 (Verbeek, 1983, 1885; Simkin and Fiske, 1983; Siswamidjono, 1983). During their eruption, there were 19 tsunamis, with the most destructive generated during the final, cataclysmic, caldera collapse and the associated emplacement of pyroclastic flow material into the sea, which destroyed the volcanic edifice and caused 33,000 fatalities (Simkin and Fiske, 1983). Another highly destructive volcanic tsunami was generated by the lateral collapse of Ritter Island in 1888. This  $\sim 5 \text{ km}^3$  flank collapse is the largest recorded volume lost from an island volcano in a single event in historical times (Ward and Day, 2003; Karstens et al., 2019; Watt et al., 2019). The death toll in the Ritter tsunami is poorly constrained, with the highest estimate being about 3,000 deaths (Johnson, 1987). Due to the paucity of data on most volcanic events, the results of their tsunami modelling have not been fully validated and both landslide source mechanisms (e.g., Hunt et al., 2011; Ward and Day, 2003; Watt et al., 2019) and the generated tsunamis (e.g., Day et al., 2005; Løvholt et al., 2008; Giachetti et al., 2011; Abadie et al., 2012, 2020; Tehranirad et al., 2015; Paris, 2015), remain poorly documented, so are a challenge to model. Any tsunamigenic volcanic collapse thus provides an opportunity to improve our understanding of coupled flank-failure and tsunami-generating processes, and to test and develop current landslide-tsunami numerical models. As the largest volcanic-island lateral collapse since that at Ritter Island in 1888, and with more detailed observations of both the collapse and the generated tsunami, the failure of Anak Krakatau (AK) volcano, Indonesia, in December 2018 provides important new insights that advance our general understanding of volcanic tsunamis. With remarkable prescience, Giachetti et al. (2012) modeled a tsunami from a collapse of the SW flank of the Anak Krakatau volcano, similar to that of Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> 2018, using a hypothetical  $0.28 \text{ km}^3$  volume. The resulting wave heights and arrival times along surrounding coastlines foreshadowed the 2018 event.

In the evening of December 22, 2018, at 20:55-57 local time (Walter et al., 2019), following a 6 month period of relatively heightened eruptive activity, a lateral collapse occurred on the southwest flank of the AK volcano in the Sunda Strait, Indonesia (Figs. 1 and S1). The collapse generated a tsunami that impacted the adjacent coastlines of Java and Sumatra within 30 minutes (Grilli et al., 2019), causing up to 13.5 m runups and resulting in 437 fatalities, 13,000 people injured, 33,000 displaced and thousands of buildings destroyed (AHA, 2018; Andersen, 2018; Muhari, 2018, 2019; Grilli et al., 2019; TDMRC, 2019). The AK event was the most damaging volcanically-generated tsunami since the 1883 eruption of Krakatau and the 1888 lateral-collapse of Ritter Island. The numerous observations of AK's 2018 collapse and tsunami, including those previously unpublished by the authors of this paper, provide a unique dataset for both understanding this event and testing state-of-the-art tsunami modelling methodologies against direct observations, with the modelling constrained by both volcanic tsunami source parameters and observations of the generated waves and their coastal impact.

Here, we develop volcanic lateral-collapse scenarios based on new data from our 2019 subaerial and submarine surveys at AK (Hunt et al., 2021; Priyanto et al., 2021), model both the resulting slides and tsunami generation, and compare the latter with data from near- and far-field surveys of tsunami inundation and runup.. In our approach, the marine geology surveys inform the slide and tsunami simulations, which in turn through comparison with tsunami data help confirm the likeliest collapse scenario.

Published subaerial data on the collapse (e.g., Williams et al., 2019; Novellino et al., 2020; Perttu et al., 2020) has provided the basis for previous tsunami modelling (e.g., Grilli et al., 2019). The new numerical modeling presented hereafter is also based on this remote (mainly satellite) subaerial data but also, for the first time, on a hydroacoustic data set of multibeam echosounder

(MBES) bathymetry and seismic reflection data acquired to the southwest of the volcano after AK's eruption, in August 2019 (Hunt et al., 2021; Priyanto et al., 2021).

An important aspect of our new modelling of the 2018 collapse and tsunami generation is the use of the latest version of the three-dimensional non-hydrostatic model NHWAVE (Zhang et al., 2021a,b). This model features effects of vertical accelerations, not just in the water (as in earlier implementations) but also within the slide material itself. Our earlier modelling of the event had neglected vertical acceleration (i.e., non-hydrostatic) effects within the slide layer (Grilli et al., 2019); this was also the case in other modeling studies of this event that are detailed later. We show that including these effects is important for an accurate simulation of both wave generation from the collapse and the near-field runups. These new simulations are also performed at a much higher resolution, owing in part to the new high-resolution bathymetric and topographic data from our 2019 field survey and its subsequent analyses and reconciliations with the subaerial observations (Hunt et al., 2021). Model results for both the near- and far-field tsunami generation, propagation and coastal impact are validated against time series of sea surface elevation recorded at tide-gauges in the Sunda Straits together with all published field observations and eyewitness accounts to date of onland tsunami flow depth and runup, both on islands in close proximity to AK (including the August 2019 authors' drone survey), and in the far-field on the coasts of Java and Sumatra.

The combined subaerial and marine data sets, and results presented here, constrain the style and mechanism of the AK lateral collapse and also test current volcanic landslide-tsunami models, which can be used to predict the behavior of similar events at other volcanic islands. The results, therefore, are an important contribution towards improved assessment of tsunami hazard from

analogous events in the future, and also provide an improved basis for developing mitigation strategies for volcanic tsunamis.

## **2 Background and earlier modeling work**

### *2.1. Geologic and volcanologic context*

AK (Fig. 1) is a composite volcanic cone that developed on the northeast margin of the 250 m deep flooded caldera formed by the 1883 eruption of Krakatau (Figs. 2a,3a; Camus et al., 1987; Stehn, 1929). It developed from and so is aligned with the feeder vents of the 1883 Krakatau eruption (Verbeek, 1885, 1983). During the past 90 years of frequent eruptive activity, AK has grown from a submarine volcano to a subaerial edifice, emerging in 1929. With a pre-2018 collapse height estimated at about 335 m (Grilli et al., 2019), it formed an island with a diameter of 1.5-2 km. On the SW flank of AK, coastline retreats of several hundred meters in 1934, 1935 and 1949 (Neumann van Padang, 1983; Hunt et al., 2021) imply long-lived instability of the edifice on this sector (Hunt et al., 2021). The NW-SE orientation of the retreats align with both the underlying caldera-wall scarp and the 2018 collapse scar (Fig. 2a). The retreats are a result of two related factors: i) AK's location on the NE margin of the 250-m deep 1883 caldera; and ii) the asymmetrical pattern of island growth (see discussion in Hunt et al., 2021). The early submarine activity of AK before and during first emergence of the island in 1929 was dominated by phreatomagmatic explosions (Umbgrove 1928; Stehn 1929). Similar explosions continued after first emergence and built-up a low-angle tuff cone around a vent to which the sea continued to gain access until the 1960s. At that time the vent dried out and further subaerial eruptive activity produced lava flows on the SW side of the island, and Vulcanian and Strombolian explosions that built up a scoria cone around the vent (Siswowidjoyo, 1983). This activity continued into the 21<sup>st</sup>



Century, with numerous small eruptions punctuated by more violent explosive episodes, giving the island its pre-collapse form of steep-sided central pyroclastic cone, with lava deltas extending the island on most sides, except the sheltered NE where the tuff cone rim was at its highest, but especially in the NW and SE (Abdurrachman et al., 2018). During a subaerial eruption in 1981 (Camus et al., 1987), a ~2 m high tsunami was recorded on Rakata, a remnant of the 1883 eruption and the southernmost and largest island of the contemporary Krakatau archipelago (Fig. 1), which was inferred to originate from a small flank landslide. The event highlighted the potential instability of the southwest flank of the volcano (Camus et al., 1987) but, apart from this, no other tsunamis from AK have been reported.

The recent period of AK volcanic activity started in June 2018 and continued into December (<https://volcano.si.edu/volcano.cfm?vn=262000>), producing Strombolian explosions, lava flows, and ash plumes reaching altitudes of up to 5 km (Anon, 2018; Fig. 2 in Paris et al., 2020a; Figs. S1c,d; Hunt et al.'s 2021 supplementary material). On Dec. 22, 2018, a major lateral collapse occurred on AK's southwest flank which discharged volcanoclastic material into the sea and triggered a destructive tsunami (Andersen, 2018; PVMBG, 2018). Based on seismic records (Gurney, 2018), eyewitness reports (e.g., Andersen, 2018; Perttu et al., 2020), and the agreement of modelled waves with tsunami arrival times at tide gauges (Ina-COAP, 2019; see below; Fig. 1a, Table 3), Grilli et al. (2019) estimated that the collapse took place at 20:55'–57' (UTC + 7), a time range later confirmed and used by other authors of numerical models (e.g., Borrero et al., 2020; Mulia et al., 2020; Paris et al., 2020a; Zengaffinen et al., 2010), and confirmed in the interpretation of seismic signals by Walter et al. (2019), who timed the collapse at 20:55'. Within 30 minutes of the collapse a tsunami flooded the coasts of west Java and southeast Sumatra, causing up to 13.5 m on-land runups. The tsunami struck near high tide (+1.5 m above the vertical datum on average

at four tide gauge in Java and Sumatra; Fig. 1a), which increased its impact (AHA, 2018; Muhari, 2018, 2019; Grilli et al., 2019; TDMRC, 2019).

## *2.2. Previous modeling of the 2018 AK event*

In light of the modelling published by Giachetti et al. (2012), Grilli et al. (2019) performed the first comprehensive numerical simulations of the Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018 AK collapse, based on satellite observations on the days following the event, drone and field surveys of near-field tsunami impact conducted in early January 2019 (Reynolds, 2019; TDMRC, 2019; Fig. S1), and historical data on the growth of AK (see, e.g., Hunt et al., 2021). The modelling of AK's flank collapse and tsunami generation was based on a range of failure surfaces with corresponding collapse volumes of 0.22-0.30 km<sup>3</sup> and used the three-dimensional (3D) non-hydrostatic (NH) model NHWAVE (Ma et al., 2012, 2015; Kirby et al., 2016), in which the collapse was represented by a depth-integrated (hydrostatic) layer of a granular material or dense viscous fluid. From the modelling it was proposed that a 0.27 km<sup>3</sup> collapse volume produced the modelled tsunami that best reproduced the near- and far-field tsunami propagation and impact, with the far-field modeling using the fully nonlinear and dispersive Boussinesq model FUNWAVE (Shi et al., 2012). In these simulations a 90 or 100 m Cartesian grid was used in each model, respectively, with 5 vertical layers in the 3D NHWAVE grid.

Numerical simulations of the 2018 AK collapse and tsunami post-dating Grilli et al. (2019), detailed in the following paragraphs, were also based on hypothetical source parameters derived from a variety of, mainly indirect, data. In these studies, the various assumed/hypothetical failure surfaces gave collapse volumes in the range  $\approx 0.14$ -0.33 km<sup>3</sup>, which were both smaller and larger than the 0.27 km<sup>3</sup> of Grilli et al.'s (2019). In Ye et al.'s (2020) study, inversion of broadband

seismic data was used to infer a collapse volume of  $\approx 0.20 \text{ km}^3$ . In some studies, an empirical analytical or experimental (from laboratory tests) landslide source was specified directly on the free surface without an actual modeling of the source (e.g., Heidarzadeh et al., 2020a; Borrero et al., 2020). In other modeling studies, new interpretations of subaerial observations were used (see Hunt et al., 2021 for a discussion) and the flank collapse and tsunami generation modeled for a variety of volumes and geometries (e.g., Mulia et al., 2020; Ren et al., 2020; Omira and Ramalho, 2020; Paris et al., 2020a; Zengaffinen et al., 2020; Dogan et al., 2021). In the latter models, tsunami generation was based on various rheologies (granular, viscoplastic, Bingham) and simulated using a two-dimensional (2D) two-layer model. There were also important differences in tsunami propagation models used in these various studies, with some using a dispersive model (e.g., Mulia et al., 2020; Paris et al., 2020a; Borrero et al., 2020) and others using a non-dispersive tsunami propagation model (e.g., Heidarzadeh et al., 2020a; Ren et al., 2020; Omira and Ramalho, 2020; Dogan et al., 2021). As landslide tsunamis are typically made of shorter, more dispersive, wave trains, they often require the use of a dispersive long wave model for their accurate modeling (e.g., Ma et al., 2012; Glimsdal et al., 2013; Tappin et al., 2014; Grilli et al. 2015, 2017; Schambach et al., 2019). For the 2018 AK event, Paris et al. (2020a) concluded that dispersive effects were important during tsunami generation and propagation, whereas Zengaffinen et al. (2020) found that they were not large in the shallow water areas of the Sunda Straits (as would have been expected), to the north and south of AK. More specifically:

- In one of the more comprehensive recent studies, Zengaffinen et al. (2020) modeled the tsunami using the rate of mass release, the landslide volume, the material yield strength, and orientation of the landslide failure plane, together with the 2D two-layer depth-averaged coupled model BingClaw, to identify different failure mechanisms, landslide evolution, and

tsunami generation. The depth-integrated landslide layer was based on a viscoplastic flow rheology, coupled with depth-averaged long wave and shallow water type models to simulate tsunami propagation. With a volume of  $0.28 \text{ km}^3$ , identical to that of Giachetti et al. (2012), the numerical simulations provided a reasonable match to the observed tsunami surface elevation amplitudes and inundation heights in the far-field. Overall the results were consistent with those of Grilli et al.'s (2019) preferred  $0.27 \text{ km}^3$  scenario, and discrepancies between the simulated and observed arrival times at the offshore gauges were attributed to the (poor) accuracy of the available bathymetry, rather than to their model. To match these, to the north of Krakatau, Zengaffinen et al. (2020) arbitrarily increased the water depths in this area.

- Paris et al. (2020a) used the 2D two-layer depth-averaged coupled model AVALANCHE, which features a granular rheology and a Coulomb friction for the slide description, with dispersive effects for the water flow part. From pre- and post-collapse satellite and aerial images, and a satisfactory comparison of the simulated water waves with far-field observations (tide gauges and field surveys), they reconstructed a total (subaerial and submarine) landslide volume of  $0.15 \text{ km}^3$ , at the lower end of the volume range in the various studies described here.
- Ren et al. (2020) applied a 2D two-layer depth-averaged coupled non-dispersive model throughout, with the slide layer modeled as a dense fluid. Using two nested grids, the smaller having a 30 m resolution and the larger a coarse 230 m resolution, and  $0.1\text{-}0.3 \text{ km}^3$  collapse scenarios, they showed a reasonable agreement with the first wave at the far-field tide gauges.
- Mulia et al. (2020) integrated the landslide thickness over the estimated source area and, assuming a failure surface similar to that of Giachetti et al. (2012), except for a slightly steeper slope, obtained a collapse volume of  $0.24 \text{ km}^3$  (slightly smaller than that of Giachetti et al., 2012, and Grilli et al., 2019). Using the 2D two-layer depth-averaged coupled model VolcFlow

to simulate avalanche dynamics (here assuming a constant retarding stress throughout), and FUNWAVE for the far-field tsunami, their landslide generated higher than 40 m waves in the vicinity of the volcano. As with other studies the tsunami attenuated rapidly as it propagated away from the generation area, resulting in lower than 2 m wave heights at tide gauges around the Sunda Strait.

- Omira and Ramalho (2020) used a multi-layer viscoplastic model to simulate the collapse, with a 2D slide layer based on a Bingham rheology and an upper water layer in which the (non-dispersive) Nonlinear Shallow Water Equations are solved. They simulated a sequence of two failures (5 s apart) of 0.1 and 0.035 km<sup>3</sup>, respectively, and computed both the near- and far-field tsunami propagation using the same model. They used high-resolution bathy/topo data (see Table 1) to create a 10 m DEM, but it is unclear what their model resolution was. The collapse generated a 45 m leading wave near the volcano, which caused up to 60 m runup on nearby islands. Although they obtain a reasonable agreement at the 4 tide gauges for the leading wave, they indicate strong tsunami dissipation in the far-field, only computing maximum runups of 4 m in Java. This could result from their non-dispersive model and/or excessive numerical dissipation and use of a coarse grid in the simulations.

- Finally, in the latest study to date, Dogan et al. (2021) modeled a 0.25 km<sup>3</sup> collapse (based on a maximum elevation for AK of only 260 m, smaller than used in other studies) and its tsunami generation, using Imamura and Imteaz (1995)'s two-layer long wave model. Tsunami propagation to the far-field was then simulated using the non-dispersive NSW model NAMI DANCE, in an 80 m resolution grid. Little details are given of the parameterization of their dense fluid rheology in the slide model or the rationale for defining the pre- and post-failure volcano geometry, including the selected failure surface. However, they show a good

agreement with both arrival times and elevation time series measured at the 4 tide gages in Java and Sumatra. Based on observed bathymetric changes in pre- and post-event surveys, they model tsunami generation from additional submarine slope failures on the north and south sides of the caldera, but conclude that these did not contribute to and hence were not simultaneous with AK's 2018 event.

The main characteristics of the previous modeling studies discussed above are listed in Table 1.

All of these studies used different AK collapse scenarios and a wide spectrum of approaches and tsunami modelling, but the differences in tsunami elevations predicted at the far-field tide gages were small; there were larger differences in predicted far-field runups, but some of these could be explained by differences in grid resolution and model physics. While details of a tsunami source become less important when the distance from the source increases, here, the small differences in the predicted far-field tsunami impact between various modeling studies were in great part because the landslide mechanisms were based on inverse methodologies and, hence, were partly or wholly hypothetical. So, although the recorded far-field tsunami was reproduced, it was not based on the actual collapse mechanism but, at best, on direct evidence such as from satellite imagery, or indirect evidence such as from seismic observations of the subaerial collapse. In all studies, hydroacoustic data such as multibeam bathymetry or seismic reflection data, to confirm the submarine components of the landslide source mechanism, was lacking. In the modelling studies using a semi-empirical landslide source (e.g., Borrero et al., 2020; Heidarzadeh et al., 2020a), the collapse volume and hence source strength were adjusted based on field observations of the tsunami (e.g., near- and/or far-field runup and tide gauges). The validation was then from the forward numerical modeling of the tsunami, which is rather circular. Other modeling

studies using an actual slide mechanism also adjusted or confirmed their collapse scenario and volume, to achieve a good agreement of tsunami simulations with far-field data.

While making some source adjustments to best match the far-field tsunami observations, most previous studies also demonstrated a moderate sensitivity of the predicted far-field tsunami impact to the landslide source characteristics. This shows that far-field tsunami observations alone cannot fully constrain the 2018 AK collapse parameters and, hence, stresses the need for also using near-field tsunami data and, more importantly, marine surveys to do so, as will be done in this work.

### **3 Methods**

#### *3.1 Study area, computational grids, and bathymetric/topographic data*

Figure 1a shows the entire study area and the footprint of the two computational grids used in the simulations of: (grid G2) AK's collapse and tsunami generation/near-field impact, using the 3D model NHWAVE; and (grid G1) tsunami propagation and far-field impact, using the 2D model FUNWAVE, together with their bathymetric and topographic data.

The near-field Grid G2 is defined with a  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 30$  m horizontal resolution (Table 2), from the composite bathymetry developed by Hunt et al. (2021), based on the new multibeam echosounding (MBES) bathymetry acquired during their August 2019 field surveys (Figs. 2a,b), combined with: (i) unpublished Sparker seismic reflection profiles acquired in 2017; (ii) basin bathymetry from Deplus et al. (1995) manually modified within the deep part of the caldera to add up to 10 m of sediment infill between 1995 and 2018 (based on interpreted seismic profiles in Hunt et al., 2021); (iii) an 8 m DEM for the islands of the Krakatau archipelago (from

<http://tides.big.go.id/DEMNAS>); and (iv) topography from Gouhier and Paris (2018) for AK itself, based on the DEMNAS DEM, with modifications to account for island growth in 2018.

The far-field grid G1 (Fig. 1a; Table 2) is Cartesian with a 50 m resolution and its bathymetric and topographic data is interpolated from Giachetti et al. (2012)'s 100 m resolution dataset, which was developed outside of Krakatau's caldera based on GEBCO data. The GEBCO data is referred to mean sea level (MSL); GEBCO, however, indicates that in some shallow water areas, their dataset includes data from sources having a vertical datum other than MSL. Note that even though the bathymetric data is coarser than the model grid, using a finer model grid allows for a more accurate resolution of the nearshore wave physics. Our model grid is also finer than the 90 m resolution used by Grilli et al. (2019).

Regarding the reference mean water level (MWL), Grilli et al. (2019) indicated that, when the tsunami was generated, the average elevation at the four tide gauges (WG 6-9; Fig. 1a; Table 3) was approximately +1.5 m over the vertical datum. Because of this, simulations were based on adding 1.5 m to the bathymetric data (i.e. using water depths of  $MWL = MSL + 1.5$  m, where it is assumed that the bathymetric datum is mean sea level (MSL)). However, as noted above, there may be inconsistency in the vertical datum used in the bathymetric compilation. Moreover, both at the time and still at present, the reference datum for the tide gauges is unknown, but in the absence of other constraints we assumed a common vertical datum for our bathymetric datasets and the tide gauges. Given the local tidal range, the elevation at the time of the tsunami was more likely between 0.5 and 1.0 m above the true MSL (see discussion in the Supplementary file #S3). To assess the effect of the uncertainty in both nearshore bathymetry and in the tide gauge datum value with respect to the MSL, we performed a sensitivity study of model results to the assumed MWL (for the likeliest collapse scenario defined in the next section; see Supplementary file #S3 and



Table 5). This demonstrates that, within the range MSL +0.5 to + 2 m, model results were little affected by the water-depth adjustment, with each of the MWL values giving results that compared similarly well to the field data. Hence, for consistency and comparison with our earlier modeling work (Grilli et al., 2019), we selected the same MWL = MSL + 1.5 m in this study.. This value was added to the interpolated bathymetric data for both Grid G1 and G2, prior to performing tsunami simulations. When comparing simulation results to field data referenced to MSL or some other datum, a relevant correction was made to the field data.

### *3.2 Landslide source model*

The landslide source model was defined on the pre-collapse bathymetry/topography grid G2 defined above, using constraints that drew on the post-collapse bathymetric survey of Hunt et al. (2021), particularly to define the boundaries of the submarine failure surface, as well as an updated interpretation of the subaerial failure plane. The latter was based on a sequence of Synthetic-Aperture Radar (SAR) satellite images collected in the days following the collapse, alongside aerial imagery collected on Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018. These images proved particularly important in defining the northern and southern bounds of the subaerial collapse scar, since their position could be precisely defined based on the complex coastal shape of the lava deltas. The COSMO-SkyMed SAR imagery from Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018 confirms the shape of the failure scar between these two coastal points (cf. Hunt et al., 2021) and was used to pick both the upper line of the headwall and the point where this intersected sea-level (i.e. the 0-m contour; e.g., Figs. 2c,d). These two boundaries were used to define the subaerial dimensions of the modeled landslide failure plane, and we thus consider this component of the failure surface to be fixed in the range of source models described below.

To address the limitations of the published tsunami source models of the collapse mechanism and the landslide resulting from the 2018 AK flank collapse, as mentioned before, MBES bathymetry and seismic data were acquired in the 250 m deep basin on the southwest flank of the volcano in August 2019 (Hunt et al., 2021). From detailed analyses of this marine survey data (Figs. 2a,b) these authors mapped the submarine landslide resulting from the volcanic collapse and estimated the landslide outrun deposit volume at  $0.214 \pm 0.036 \text{ km}^3$ . Rather than being extensively disintegrated, the submarine deposit is mainly composed of large intact blocks (Figs. 2a,b), confirming that the event occurred as a single *en masse* slide with limited fragmentation, rather than in a more piecemeal, multi-staged process. This mechanism is also confirmed by seismic data (Gurney, 2018). From these characteristics, while there were many large landslide blocks in the deposits (up to hundreds of meters across), a granular slide rheology was deemed more relevant in our subsequent modeling than a dense fluid rheology, which is more appropriate for debris flows (although both were simulated for completeness). An additional unit, to the southwest of this main deposit, with a volume of  $0.022 \pm 0.006 \text{ km}^3$ , was interpreted as a secondary sediment failure (i.e., debris flow), resulting from sediment mobilized by the primary landslide emplacement and seafloor incision (Hunt et al., 2021).

A range of volumes were defined for the 2018 AK collapse, based on the marine survey in combination with new analyses of subaerial observations from high-resolution satellite imagery, and aerial photography. This estimated a subaerial collapse volume of  $0.098 \pm 0.019 \text{ km}^3$  (cf. Hunt et al., 2021). Beneath sea level, the lateral margins of the collapse scar were defined using bathymetric features on the submerged flank of AK, evident on the post-collapse marine survey. A subtle step in the submerged SW flank, at -100 to -120 m described by Hunt et al. (2021), that may correspond to the base of the failure plane, was used to define the minimum collapse volume

scenario (Figs. 2c,d), which has a shallower failure surface than that of Grilli et al. (2019) for their minimum 0.22 km<sup>3</sup> volume scenario. Using the features identified by Hunt et al. (2021), the boundary of the submarine failure plane was estimated as a broadly elliptical form, and this boundary was then projected onto our pre-collapse bathymetric grid. This was used to define a smooth concave failure plane, constrained by the gradient of the subaerial scar and the requirement to cut the vent position beneath sea-level, defining a minimum collapse volume of 0.175 km<sup>3</sup>. Precise identification of the shape and margins of the failure surface is still uncertain because of burial by post-collapse deposits. Additional features on the NW and S flank of AK, that align with the subaerial margins of the scar, alongside deeper features on the SW flank (cf. Hunt et al., 2021), may also relate to the collapse plane and were used by Hunt et al. (2021) to define a possible larger, deeper-seated failure surface. Using the same approach as described above, the failure volume in this largest possible scenario was estimated at 0.313 km<sup>3</sup> (Figs. 2c,d). Both end-point collapse volumes include the 0.098 km<sup>3</sup> subaerial component.

Comparing the deposit volume, estimated purely from the MBES and seismic reflection survey, to the failure volumes estimated based on the inferred failure surface and geometry, we find good consistency. The main part of the landslide deposits form a blocky mass, identified in the August 2019 MBES data (modeled a,b) and interpreted as representing material directly derived from the island flanks, with a volume of  $0.214 \pm 0.036$  km<sup>3</sup>. The estimated primary deposit volume of 0.214 km<sup>3</sup> lies between the two end-point failure-surface-derived volumes described above (Figs. 2c,d). Given that the failed mass is likely to have expanded upon fragmentation, and is potentially bulked via seafloor erosion, an increase in the volume of the landslide deposit, compared to the volume derived from the shallowest estimated failure surface, could potentially be accounted for by these phenomena. A further uncertainty arises from the possibility that some

of the failed mass could have remained within the scar region and been subsequently buried (although there is no evidence to suggest that this volume is significant), and would not be included in the estimate of deposit volume derived from marine geophysical data. Consequently, although quite unlikely, we cannot entirely reject a scenario with a deeper-seated failure plane and a larger source volume, up to a maximum of  $0.313 \text{ km}^3$ , although our interpretation is that the primary failure volume was likely closer to our minimum estimate ( $0.175 \text{ km}^3$ ).

Within the blocky landslide deposit (Figs. 2a,b), it can be assumed that transport of all material derived from the volcano flanks was tsunamigenic. There is potential for expansion and incorporation of seafloor material during slide motion, and we thus use the scar-derived volumes rather than the deposit volume to define the range of source-volumes for tsunami modelling. In addition to this, mobilization of seafloor sediment triggered by primary landslide emplacement (forming the secondary debris flow deposit) may also have contributed to tsunami generation. However, given that this must have followed the main stage of landslide motion, was in relatively deeper water, and was an order of magnitude smaller in volume, we assume that this material was not significant in contributing to the main tsunami generation. The  $0.022 \pm 0.006 \text{ km}^3$  debris flow volume also falls well within the range of uncertainties of the estimated landslide volume.

In the modeling, the above uncertainty in AK's collapse parameters is represented by defining four landslide (and failure surface) geometries and corresponding volume scenarios, for which we use the same subaerial pre-collapse geometry in every case (based on the SAR-derived collapse-scar position), intersecting the NE flank at about 100 m elevation (Fig. 2d). For the submarine surface, we use the minimum and maximum bounds of the failure surface described by Hunt et al. (2021) and discussed above, projecting the positions of the defined collapse margins onto our pre-collapse model grid. Alongside this, we define two intermediate scenarios. The four

scenarios have a maximum depth on the SW flank ranging from -80 to -220 m (Fig. 2d) and their failure surfaces all cut the active vent position at depths ranging from 25 to 40 m, which is consistent with the vigorous Surtseyan eruptive activity that immediately followed the collapse (Hunt et al., 2021). Using the pre-collapse AK topography (maximum 335 m), refined based on high-resolution satellite images (Novellino et al., 2020) and the assumed concave failure surfaces, the volumes associated with the four scenarios were computed to: (1) 0.313; (2) 0.272; (3) 0.224; and (4) 0.175 km<sup>3</sup>. The latter two compare closely with the deposit volume estimate, given uncertainties and allowing for some degree of expansion and/or bulking by erosion, while the first two scenarios are larger, but consistent with some bathymetric features and the possibility that some of the failure mass remained within the collapse scar. The first scenario is close to the largest volume originally simulated by Grilli et al. (2019), and the second is close to what they concluded to be the likeliest scenario.

Among these scenarios, the third one, with a 0.224 km<sup>3</sup> volume, is deemed the likeliest volume scenario in the modeling, in terms of providing the best representation of the tsunamigenic mass movement consistent with the marine geophysical data. Given that there remain uncertainties in the precise form of the failure plane, the mean deposit volume of 0.214 km<sup>3</sup> from Hunt et al. (2021) is the best representation of the tsunamigenic mass (even if we cannot constrain the extent of expansion and bulking) and, the 0.224 km<sup>3</sup> volume also allows for the possibility of some tsunamigenic contribution from the associated secondary debris flow. The post-collapse bathymetry for the likeliest scenario (0.224 km<sup>3</sup>) is shown in Figs. 1c and 3b. Note that the latter figure shows that, as expected, the specified failure surfaces are not planar but slightly concave. This is a necessary shape given the relatively steep gradient (30-40 degrees) of the subaerial failure plane (constrained from SAR imagery and consistent with the volcanic vent being cut beneath sea-

level) but the need for the foot of the failure to emerge within the submerged flank of AK, and is also a failure-surface shape typical of the morphology of volcanic lateral collapses.

### 3.3 *Tsunami generation and propagation simulations*

#### 3.3.1 *Numerical tsunami models.*

Two numerical models are used in simulations of AK's 2018 collapse and tsunami generation, propagation and coastal impact, which are briefly described below.

NHWAVE (Ma et al., 2012), a three-dimensional (3D) non-hydrostatic model, is used to simulate both AK's volcanic collapse scenarios, and the corresponding tsunami generation and near-field impact, on AK and surrounding caldera islands, in Grid G2 with a 30 m horizontal Cartesian grid with 1,155 by 9,55 cells, using 7 boundary fitted water layers in a vertical  $\sigma$ -coordinate system (Figs. 1b,c; Table 2). With one layer, the model provides the same order of dispersion as a Boussinesq model such as FUNWAVE, detailed hereafter, and higher-order dispersion effects when using more layers. NHWAVE has been used, and experimentally validated (e.g., Ma et al., 2012), to model tsunami generation from solid slides (landslides or slumps) (e.g., Grilli et al., 2015; Schambach et al., 2019) and from dual sources coseismic/solid submarine mass failures (Tappin et al., 2014). NHWAVE was extended to simulate tsunami generation by deforming slides, both submarine and subaerial, assumed to behave as either a granular medium or a dense Newtonian fluid (Ma et al., 2015; Kirby et al., 2016). These NHWAVE models were applied to case studies for deforming slide sources (e.g., Grilli et al., 2017b, 2019; Schambach et al., 2019), and validated based on laboratory experiments for those studies (Grilli et al., 2017b), as well as for dual sources involving a combination of coseismic and deforming underwater/subaerial slides (e.g., Grilli et al., 2019; Schambach et al., 2020a,b).

Since the work of Grilli et al. (2019), a new version of NHWAVE has been developed (Zhang et al., 2021a,b) that includes effects of vertical acceleration (i.e., non-hydrostatic pressures) within the slide material layer, which was neglected in the earlier implementation (Ma et al., 2015). Considering the steep slopes of both AK and the surrounding islands, it was anticipated that such effects might be important. This was confirmed here by comparing, in Supplementary file #2, simulations of the Grilli et al. (2019) preferred volume scenario ( $0.272 \text{ km}^3$ ), with both granular and viscous rheologies, and with and without the non-hydrostatic effects included in the equations for the slide layers. Results for both rheologies showed that slide motion and wave generation are significantly affected, with larger waves generated and much larger runups occurring on the near-field islands, particularly Panjang and Sertung, when non-hydrostatic effects are neglected. When comparing with near-field runup measured in field surveys, a much better agreement was obtained with the newer version of the model that accounts for non-hydrostatic effects within the slide layer. For these reasons, this newer version of NHWAVE by Zhang et al. (2021a,b) was used in the present study.

FUNWAVE-TVD (Shi et al., 2012; version 3.0 is used), a two-dimensional (2D) fully nonlinear Boussinesq wave model, is used to simulate far-field tsunami propagation and coastal impact in Cartesian Grid G1 with a 50 m resolution and 3,900 by 3,680 cells (Fig. 1a; Table 2); a Cartesian rather than a spherical grid is acceptable in view of the small geographic area considered here. To improve dispersive properties, the horizontal velocity used in this Boussinesq model is that at a depth  $z = -0.531 h$ . To prevent reflections from the open boundaries of grid G1 (Fig. 1a), 10.8 km (or 216 grid cells) wide sponge layers are specified along its 4 boundaries.

Both NHWAVE and FUNWAVE-TVD used a Courant number and Froude cap condition to adaptively specify the time step in simulations to achieve optimal accuracy. In shallow water

and during runup this can lead to using prohibitively small time steps, which is prevented here by specifying a minimum depth truncation of 1 m and 0.05 m in the NHWAVE and FUNWAVE simulations, respectively. The 0.05 m minimum depth has little effect on FUNWAVE simulations of the far-field tsunami impact. In the near-field, considering the very large waves and runups modeled with NHWAVE, the 1 m minimum depth also does not significantly affect simulation results. Both models are parallelized with MPI, allowing efficient implementation on large computer clusters. Here we typically used 20 processors to run each scenario. Finally, both models are open source and available on *github*, together with their user manual and benchmarking examples.

### 3.3.2 Modeling methodology.

Simulations of AK's collapse and tsunami generation and near-field impact are first performed in grid G2 with NHWAVE, for the 4 volume scenarios, and for each of those, assuming either a granular or a dense fluid rheology (Table 4). When the slide is fully at rest and waves approach the boundary of grid G1 (Fig. 1a), NHWAVE results for surface elevation and horizontal velocity interpolated at 0.531 times the local depth are used to initialize FUNWAVE simulations in Grid G1. These are then run for another 2 hours of tsunami propagation time, to make sure all the diffraction, and multiple reflection effects on the tsunami from the shores and many islands of the Sunda Straits are included in the results.

In NHWAVE simulations, for each of the four specified collapse surfaces and volumes (Figs. 2c,d), we use the same parameterization of the slide rheology as in Grilli et al. (2019), i.e.: (i) a Newtonian fluid of density  $\rho_c = 1,550 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and the kinematic viscosity of a debris flow,  $\nu_c = 0.5 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ ; or (ii) a granular medium with  $\rho_c = 1,900 \text{ kg/m}^3$  for the solid part and, similar to Giachetti et al. (2012), an internal friction angle  $\phi_{ic} = 10^\circ$ , a basal friction angle  $\phi_{bc} = 2^\circ$ , and a 40%



porosity. With this data, assuming a water density  $\rho_w = 1,025 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , the average density of the granular medium is  $\rho_{ac} = 1,550 \text{ kg/m}^3$  (Table 5). For each of these 8 scenarios, NHWAVE was run up to 420 s; however, results showed that the time when the generated tsunami waves approach the boundary of grid G1 is  $t = 380 \text{ s}$  (e.g., Fig. 7h), which is used to prevent any perturbation of the solution.

Finally, in both model grids, in the absence of site-specific data we specify a constant bottom friction coefficient  $C_d = 0.0025$ , which corresponds to coarse sand. While this value may be too small to model friction on the rough walls of the 250 m deep caldera to the SW of AK, earlier work has shown that bottom friction only significantly affects tsunami propagation (reducing tsunami elevations) over shallow areas where propagation distances represent many dominant wavelengths (Tehrani et al., 2015). In this case, the bottom velocity caused by the long tsunami waves (in terms of wavelength to depth ratio) is consistently large. Considering the fairly short dominant period of the generated waves, here, bottom friction will only significantly affect tsunami propagation towards Java and Sumatra, in the shallow eastern side of the Sunda Straits. In the caldera to the SW of AK, however, both the water depth is large and the tsunami propagation distances are short, and bottom friction effects are thus expected to be small; hence, the accuracy of the selected  $C_d$  value is not important.

### 3.4 *Tsunami field survey data*

To validate our numerical model results, we used a comprehensive set of data, including marine field surveys, satellite images, bathymetric data as discussed above, and onshore surveys of tsunami impact (Figs. 12-16). The onshore survey data included: (i) the tree line drone survey conducted on Rakata, Sertung and Panjang during our August 2019 field campaign (Figs. 11, 13),

and (ii) the runup and flow depth measurements made in the near- and far-field by TDMRC (2019), Muhari et al. (2019), Putra et al. (2020), Borrero et al. (2020), and Heidarzadeh et al. (2020b). In addition, we used the extensive video made by Reynolds (2019), during his 01/11/2019 near-field drone survey of AK and the three surrounding islands, of which salient images were extracted by Grilli et al. (2019) (see their supplementary Fig. S8). One example is in Fig. S1f. These surveys show that, in the near-field, the tsunami generated by AK's 2018 collapse caused up to 85 m runups on the islands of Rakata and Sertung and, in the far-field, up to 13.5 m runups on the nearby coasts of Java and Sumatra.

Additionally, as in Grilli et al. (2019) and all other modeling studies, time series of surface elevations simulated for each scenario are compared with detided free surface elevations measured at 4 tide gauges located at (Fig. 1a; Table 3): (5) Serang, Marina Jambu, (6) Ciwandan, (8) Kota-Angung, and (9) Panjang. Grilli et al.'s (2019) Supplementary file #3 explains how the raw data, measured at a 1 minute interval, was detided to obtain the tsunami signal (their Fig. S5) and shows where each tide gauge was located (their Fig. S4), pointing out that each gauge is surrounded by some reflective (or dissipative) coastal structures, not represented in the model grids, that can affect tsunami signal in various ways (including seiching). Table 3 provides the location of each tide gauge, its depth in grid G1 and the arrival time of both a 1 cm tsunami elevation and the first significant wave crest. Fig. 10 shows the complete (detided) tsunami time series measured at each gauge by two different independent instruments operating at each gauge (see details in Grilli et al., 2019); there are some differences (sometimes large) between the measurements of the two instruments at each gauge, which allows quantifying experimental errors. The individual data points in the time series illustrate the coarse 1 minute temporal resolution of the measured signal.

## 4 Tsunami simulation results

### 4.1 Slide motion and deposits

Results of combined NHWAVE-FUNWAVE simulations in Grids G2 and G1 of the 4 volume scenarios ((1) 0.313; (2) 0.272; (3) 0.224; and (4) 0.175 km<sup>3</sup>), each with either a granular or viscous rheology (scenarios 1-8 in Table 4), are discussed hereafter.

Figures 4 and 5 show examples of slide motion and free surface elevations simulated with NHWAVE. Fig. 4 first compares results in a vertical plane along a SW transect into AK, for the likeliest volume scenario (0.224 km<sup>3</sup>), using either a granular or viscous rheology. We see that the change in rheology only moderately affects slide deformation for small times ( $t < 80$  s), and hence corresponding wave generation, but that differences in slide runout are much larger later in time ( $t \geq 120$  s), although this stage of motion is no longer tsunamigenic as the slide deposits are too deep. At  $t = 200$  s (Fig. 4h) the granular slide deposits have nearly stopped and have mostly accumulated in the caldera, reaching up to a 94 m thickness at the toe of AK's failure surface, whereas the viscous slide deposits have moved further onto the caldera bottom and are still moving. While the granular slide deposits appear to be located in the general area where the actual deposits were mapped during the August 2019 marine survey (Figs. 2b,c) (Hunt et al., 2021), the viscous slide deposits have moved beyond this area; hence simulations based on the granular rheology appear to be more consistent with field data than those with the viscous rheology. This is confirmed in Fig. 5, which shows greater details of the 3D granular slide motion and deposits for the same volume scenario. Here in the last panel at  $t = 420$  s (Fig. 5h), we see more clearly where the main slide deposits are located (i.e., their runout) and how thick they are (up to 94 m) at the end of the motion, which is consistent with observations of slide deposits from the marine geophysical survey (Hunt et al., 2021) (compare Fig. 5h with Fig. 2a). In view of the modeled slide idealization by a

continuous granular medium, our results for both the slide deposit location and thickness appear to be quite reasonable. It should be noted that while the main collapse deposits are to the SW, the simulation produces a layer of a few meters of granular material deposited on the opposite, NE side of AK and to the NW and SE, which caused small additional wave generation in those directions that however did not affect far-field results which was dominated by larger waves caused by the main collapse. Given the low degrees of fragmentation evident from the very large blocks in the observed deposit (Fig. 2b), these features in model results may not be representative of an actual deposit distribution and are more likely an artifact of a landslide model based on a continuous granular rheology. A similar discrepancy between observed and modeled deposits was noted by Ward and Day (2006) in their study of the 1980 Mount St Helens event, which caused a large debris avalanche.

Videos of computed slide motions with and without surface elevation, and for a granular material or a viscous slide are given in supplementary material for the likeliest volume scenario (0.224 km<sup>3</sup>); see, AK\_slide3D\_gran.mp4, AK\_slide3D\_visc.mp4, AK\_wave\_slide3D\_gran.mp4, AK\_wave\_slide3D\_visc.mp4.

#### 4.2 *Near-field tsunami generation*

Figures 4 and 7 show snapshots of free surface elevation at times  $t = 10, 20, 40, 80, 120, 160, 200$ , and 380 s, computed for the likeliest volume scenario and a granular or viscous rheology, and Fig. 6 compares time series of surface elevation computed at the 5 numerical wave gauges (Fig. 1b; Table 3) specified in grid G2, for the 8 modeled scenarios (4 volumes and 2 rheologies, scenarios 1-8 in Table 4). Other snapshots of surface elevations for scenarios not shown here look

qualitatively similar to those in Fig. 7. Videos of computed surface elevations are given in the supplementary materials.

Results in Figs. 4 and 7 show that, in the first 20 s of AK's collapse, a large-scale subaerial slide motion occurs down the volcano, triggering a 50+ m horseshoe-shaped leading elevation wave. From 20-80 s, as the slide moves mostly underwater (for all 4 volume scenarios), an up to 30+ m trough (negative elevation wave) forms near the volcano on the SW side, while the leading elevation wave radiates as a cylindrical crest of decreasing height. Figure 6a shows that these processes are well captured at WG 1, which is located directly SW of AK (Fig. 1b; Table 3); at this site, depending on the scenario, a 25-33 m leading elevation wave arrives at  $t \approx 60$  s, followed by a 0-10 m trough. At WG 2 and 3, further NW and SW of the volcano, Figs. 6b,c show that, later in time ( $t \approx 175$  s), the large elevation wave and its trough (first depression wave) have essentially propagated radially, with only a small decrease in the crest height. The propagation of the horseshoe-shaped leading elevation and first depression waves, with their gradual directional spreading and reduction in elevation, are clearly seen in Figs. 7c to 7h. As these waves propagate away from AK, however, for  $t > 80$  s (Fig. 7d), they start interacting with and running up both the N shore of Rakata and S shore of Sertung, causing very large runups.

To the NE of AK, for  $t > 100$  s, we see a significant tsunami impact occurring on Panjang's southern tip (25+ m runup) and, for  $t > 150$  s, a more moderate impact on its northern tip, that are due to both the propagation and refraction around AK's bathymetry of the leading horseshoe-shaped wave (Figs. 7d-f) and later on its reflection off Rakata and Sertung. Finally, in Figs. 7g,h, we see that large waves are propagating in the SW, E and N directions away from AK. For the latter two directions, these waves are well captured at WG 4 and 5 (Figs. 6d,e), where we see

leading elevation waves of about 4 and 5 m, respectively. Fig. 7h also confirms that at 380 s, the leading waves have not yet reached and interacted with the outer boundary of Grid G2.

Considering the 8 different scenarios, results at WG 1 to 5 in Fig. 6 show that while, overall, all generated waves exhibit the same large-scale characteristics, both a change in collapse volume and rheology affect wave elevation and phase to various extents. Between rheologies, the granular rheology generates slightly smaller leading waves in all cases than the viscous rheology (particularly to the SW), and the larger the collapse volume the larger the wave elevations. [Note that the first conclusion is opposite to that of Grilli et al. (2019) who found that larger waves were generated by a granular slide; this could result from the use here of a much higher grid resolution and the new non-hydrostatic slide model.] At all wave gauges (WG 1-5), the larger leading wave is followed by smaller waves of period as low as  $T = 30\text{-}50$  s. Over the 250 m deep caldera, these waves are fully or significantly dispersive. Waves in this period range would be dispersive for depths  $h < gT^2/400 = 3.5\text{-}9.8$  m, hence for most of their propagation to shore, which justifies using a dispersive long wave model such as FUNWAVE to model AK's collapse far-field tsunami propagation.

Fig. 8 shows the envelope of maximum surface elevation computed with NHWAVE in Grid G2 for the likeliest volume scenario ( $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ) and a granular rheology; envelopes for the other scenarios look qualitatively similar and are not shown for the sake of brevity. The figure confirms the large wave generation SW of AK, and shows that large 50-100+ m runups occur on the exposed shores of Rakata and Sertung, and 25 m runup on the south shores of Panjang. These results will be detailed later and compared to field measurements.

#### 4.3 Far-field wave propagation and coastal impact on Java and Sumatra

For each of the 8 scenarios, FUNWAVE simulations were initialized with results of NHWAVE in Grid G2 at 380 s (Fig. 7h), interpolated onto Grid G1, and tsunami propagation and coastal impact were simulated up to  $t = 7,580$  s from the start of the event. Figures 9a-c show snapshots of surface elevation computed with FUNWAVE for the likeliest volume scenario ( $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ) and granular rheology at  $t = 380, 1800$  and  $3600$  s. Results for the other scenarios are qualitatively similar. After 30 minutes, Fig. 9b shows that leading tsunami waves have started impacting the SW coast of Java, around the Kolijaah and Panaitan Island areas (Fig. 1a), are impacting the south facing coast of Sebesi (Fig. 1a), and are about to impact the coastlines at Ujung Kulon and Serang, Marina Jambu (tide gauge (WG) 5; Fig. 1a and Table 3). To the north of the grid, leading waves are also impacting the SE tip of Sumatra; waves are also propagating in the direction of tide gauges (WG) 6-9 (Fig. 1a; Table 3). After 1 hour of tsunami propagation, Fig. 9c shows a complex pattern of waves in the Sunda Straits, as a result of diffraction-refraction around islands and reflection off the coasts, which justifies performing simulations for a long enough time to capture maximum runup at all locations within Grid G1.

Fig. 9d shows the envelope of maximum surface elevation computed with FUNWAVE in Grid G1, after 7,580 s of simulations, for the likeliest (granular) scenario. AK's collapse generated initial waves with a strong SW directionality and a secondary E and N directionality (Fig. 7h), which translates upon far-field propagation into a maximum impact on the SW coast Java and a relatively smaller impact eastward and northward on the coasts of Java and southern Sumatra (see also Fig. 9b). Additionally, wave propagation is affected by a significant bathymetric feature, the moderately steep S-N oriented (around Lon. E. 105.3) linear scarp that divides the shallow eastern half of Sunda Straits from the much deeper Semangka Trough to the west (Fig. 1a). As can be seen in Fig. 9b (and in the animation of model results provided in supplementary material), this

bathymetric feature causes a wave guiding effect that reinforces waves to the south onto Panaitan Island, where some of the largest flow depths and runups were measured, and also guides some waves to propagate northward. Comparing bathymetric contours with the maximum envelope in Fig. 9d, we see that little tsunami energy propagated west of Lon. E. 105.3, and that bathymetric focusing also occurs towards Ujung Kulon (Fig. 1a), which is another area where very large runups were measured (see later for details of runups).

Surface elevation time series were simulated for the 8 scenarios, combining the four volumes and two rheologies, at the locations of the 4 tide gauges (6-9 in Fig. 1a; Table 3), which are compared to the measured detided surface elevations in Fig. 10. Unlike in the near-field, only small differences (including on arrival time) can be seen here between surface elevations simulated for the 8 different scenarios, indicating that the predictions of the tsunami far-field and impact are less sensitive to details of the collapse scenario assumed for AK (i.e., changes in volume size/geometry and rheology). This was already pointed out by other authors in their discussion of model results (e.g., Heidarzadeh et al., 2020a; Borrero et al., 2020), and also explains why studies that assumed an approximate empirical source for AK's collapse or only a 2D two-layer slide model, with source parameters adjusted to match far-field data at the tide gauges and/or elsewhere, performed reasonably well for predicting coastal impact. However, for future hypothetical collapses, in the total absence of field data to calibrate these models, they might not have fared as well in predicting tsunami impact, from a single forward model simulation.

Comparing numerical simulations to tide gauge data, Fig. 10 shows, overall, a good agreement for any scenario, particularly earlier in the time series and more so for WG 6-8 (Figs. 10a-c). As summarized in Table 3, arrival times of the leading crest at each gauge are predicted to within 15–78 s of observations. Considering the 1 minute data sampling interval of the gauges,



this is an acceptable discrepancy. Later in each tide gauge time series, the phase difference between simulations and observations increases, but the trough-to-crest height of the largest waves are well predicted in the simulations. As previously indicated, later in time, the signal at the tide gauges was increasingly affected by local effects and seiching not resolved and simulated in Grid G1, both due to the limited 50 m resolution and the moderately coarse 100 m resolution of the available nearshore bathymetry and topography. Finally, as reported by eyewitnesses, simulations predict that multiple large waves of fairly short period (2–10 minute) impacted the coast, with the second or later waves being the largest.

For each of the 8 scenarios, arrival time at the tide gauges is, to the first-order, governed by wave celerity, which strongly depends on bathymetry and to some extent on frequency for dispersive waves. An additional effect of amplitude dispersion may speed-up wave propagation for the largest waves in the near-field, but this effect will also be similar for all scenarios, as their near-field waves are quite similar (see Fig. 6). This explains the small range in arrival time difference, with the field data listed in Table 3 for the 8 scenarios.

#### 4.4 *Near-field runups*

Grilli et al. (2019) pointed out the intense and continuous phreatomagmatic explosive activity that immediately followed the collapse of AK, both obscuring the skies and discharging large volumes of material that rapidly modified the post-collapse topography of AK and surrounding bathymetry. Hunt et al. (2021) made a detailed analysis of these early stages of AK's post-collapse regrowth, using both satellite images and submarine surveys, and quantified the large changes that took place in AK's coastline and subaerial geometry (e.g., such as Fig. S1b and S1e for AK; see also Novellino et al., 2020). This post-collapse eruptive activity paused on Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> 2019, and Reynolds

(2019) was able to conduct a drone survey of AK and the islands of Rakata, Sertung and Panjang (e.g., Fig. S1f and supplementary 4 in Grilli et al., 2019), that confirmed AK's coastline changes inferred from SAR images. Arguably more important was their documentation of the large runups the tsunami caused on the island of Rakata, Sertung and Panjang. Based on these images, Grilli et al. (2019) estimated that 50+ m runups occurred on Rakata's N shore and Sertung's S shore. Subsequent field surveys in 02/2019 by Borrero et al. (2020) and August 2019 by the authors confirmed and quantified these early observations of near-field tsunami impact, and provided geolocalized runup values reaching 80-85+ m on both islands (Fig. 11), with additional data on Panjang. However, because Panjang was positioned downwind of AK, extensive ashfall-driven vegetation damage, combined with the steep cliffs on the W coast (see white line in Fig. 11b) made the runup line on Panjang difficult to unambiguously identify. Finally, Borrero et al. (2020) also measured runup on Sebesi island, north of Panjang, which we also consider to be part of the near-field tsunami impact (Fig. 1a).

For the likeliest collapse volume scenario, with granular material, Figures 12a-c show zoom-ins of the maximum envelope of surface elevation computed with NHWAVE (Fig. 8) onto the NW shore of Rakata, SW shore of Sertung and S shore of Panjang, and Fig. 12d shows a zoom-in on Sebesi of the maximum envelope of surface elevation computed with FUNWAVE for the same scenario (Fig. 9d). The location of our August 2019 drone tree line survey is marked on Figs. 12a,b, and the location of four runups/flow depth measurements made on Sebesi by Borrero et al. (2019) are marked on Fig. 12d (7.5, 9, 2.8, 2.5 m from W to E, respectively); the latter values are consistent with those we estimated during our August 2019 survey of Sebesi, in part based on interviewing eyewitnesses. On both Rakata and Sertung (Figs. 12a,b), our predicted runup line touches or goes over the 50 m contour and parallels the drone survey quite well, except at its

highest points; those however occur on steep, nearly vertical, cliff faces (Figs. 11a,c) that are not well resolved with a 30 m horizontal grid. On Panjang, in Fig. 12c, our results show runups of 25-30 m on the island's SW tip, tapering to 8-10 m on the NW part of the western shore; the latter values match those reported by Borrero et al. (2020), who could not make a precise survey due to the difficulty in accessing the island, which is faced by steep cliffs on much of its western side (Fig. 11b). In Fig. 12d, our model results show a close agreement with the 4 measured runups on Sebesi's S and SE shore.

Figure 13 details the near-field runups computed on the 3 islands for the 8 modeled scenarios (4 volumes and 2 rheologies), compared to available runup measurements and our drone surveys. Overall, on Rakata and Sertung (Figs 13a,b), although all scenarios fare quite well, the likeliest volume scenario with a granular rheology appears to best match the quantitative field data, as well as images from the 01/11/2019 and Borrero's et al.'s (2020) 02/2019 field survey (Figs. 11d,e) of these islands. On Panjang (Fig. 13c), all our model results are below our tree line drone survey (Fig. 11b) but, again, this was done along a nearly vertical cliff face, a location where it was difficult to estimate the runup line precisely and which is not well-discretized in our model grid; hence, there is large uncertainty on both these runup measurements and their model simulation. We note that all scenarios predict an 8 m runup on the NW side of the island as was reported by Borrero et al. (2020).

#### 4.5 Far-field runups

Far-field flow depth and runups were measured along the coasts most exposed to the tsunami in Java and Sumatra in several field surveys. The first one (TDMRC, 2019 took place in 01/2019, soon after the event) was the only such data available to Grilli et al. (2019) to validate their

modeling. However, field surveys were also later performed by Muhari et al. (2019), Putra et al. (2020), Borrero et al. (2020), and Heidarzadeh et al. (2020b). Figures 14 to 16 compare model results obtained for the likeliest collapse scenario (granular rheology) with this data which, to our knowledge, is all such data available to date.

Figure 14 shows a zoom-in along the coast of Java (Fig. 1a) on the envelope of maximum surface elevation computed with FUNWAVE (Fig. 9d). As detailed in the methods section, both the maximum flow depth at the shore and the runup were extracted from these results and, for clarity, color coded in 4 classes of surface elevation. Due to the complex geometry of the coast, the same values of flow depth and runup were then plotted as a function of longitude and latitude in 4 subfigures (Figs. 14a,b,d,e); on the plan view (Fig. 14c), the color coded flow depth values were plotted along the shore. Fig. 14c shows that, as expected from the tsunami directionality, wave guiding effects offshore, and wave refraction nearshore, leading to focusing/defocusing effects, the alongshore variation of maximum tsunami impact is a highly irregular on SW Java; this causes similarly large alongshore variations in flow depth and runup seen in Figs. 14a,b,d,e. The field data for both flow depth and runup is plotted on top of the elevation figures showing model results, in Figs. 14b,d and. 14a,e, respectively. Overall, there is good agreement of model results with the field measurements, and more so for flow depth at the coast, which is less sensitive to irregularities of the terrain and the built-up elevation maps, that are not represented in our 50 m resolution grid.

Figure 15 shows zoom-ins of results presented in Fig. 14 in three of the most impacted areas along the coast of Java where field surveys were conducted, namely (Fig. 1a): (PI) Panaitan Island; (UK) Ujung Kulon; and (K) Kolijaah. Model results for the likeliest volume scenario (granular rheology) are compared to the locations/values of measured maximum runups, wherever

available (Fig. 15e), or otherwise to field data measured by Borrero et al. (2020) marked onto Google Earth images of each site (Figs. 15b,d). These measurements were provided as raw or detided, so here we are plotting their raw values compared to our results with respects to MWL. [Note, Borrero et al. only assumed a 2 cm tide throughout without justification, which will introduce some uncertainty in the comparison; also, their measurements from UK (Fig. 15d) are reported on Figs 14a,e as runup, since these values were measured inland.] At PI (Figs. 15a,b), the model accurately predicts the 6-8.4 m (referred to MWL) maximum tsunami elevations measured at the marked locations along an approximate N to S survey from the tip of the island (Fig. 15b; Borrero et al., 2020). At UK (Figs 15c,d) the model predicts slightly less (6.5 to 9 m) than the 6.9-11.5 m range (referred to MWL) of maximum tsunami heights measured at the marked locations from N to S from the tip of the Peninsula (Fig. 15d; Borrero et al, 2020); however, the largest flow depth was measured at an isolated tree (their Fig. 12) and our 50 m resolution model grid cannot represent this level of detail. Finally, at K (Figs. 15e,f) the model predicts most of the runups (both location and value) measured by Muhari et al. (2019), Putra et al. (2020), and Heidarzadeh et al. (2020b), reasonably well. Some of the reported measurement locations show a mismatch, but the majority of measured runups in the 3 surveys align well with our predicted inundation limit. At the K location, the Google Earth image (Fig. 15f) is only provided for reference.

Figure 16 shows results similar to those of Figure 14, for flow depth at the coast predicted along the SW shore of Sumatra for the likeliest collapse volume scenario (granular rheology), compared to the available data from field surveys; the agreement between both is quite good here as well. The largest tsunami impact occurred in the area of Waymuli (W in Fig. 1a, around

105.6348 E), of which Fig. 16c shows a picture of the damage taken by Fritz et al. (2019) during their 02/2019 survey.

## **5 Discussion and conclusions.**

New numerical simulations of AK's 2018 collapse and tsunami generation, propagation, and coastal impact were performed with state-of-the-art numerical models, including a novel landslide tsunami model for granular and viscous slides that includes non-hydrostatic effects of vertical acceleration in the slide material. Results show that incorporating non-hydrostatic effects is important for accurately simulating tsunami generation and near-field impacts from the AK flank collapse. This is illustrated in the 8 scenarios we used, which combined 2 different rheologies (granular and viscous fluid material) and 4 different volumes obtained from a new parametrization of the collapse based on our August 2019 marine hydroacoustic survey (cf. Hunt et al., 2021), field observations and new interpretations of high-resolution satellite imagery.

Based on our improved knowledge/understanding of subaerial and submarine data, from which we better constrained the geometry and magnitude of the landslide mechanism, we also improved on previous interpretations of the primary landslide scar, which bisected the Anak Krakatau edifice, cutting behind the central vent and removing 50% of its subaerial volume. The combined subaerial and marine datasets presented in Hunt et al. (2021) are used to provide a better validated estimate of the landslide failure volume. From this, the failure volume is estimated to lie within a range of 0.175 to 0.313 km<sup>3</sup>, spanning the independently estimated deposit volume of 0.214 km<sup>3</sup>. Given uncertainties in the precise form of the failure plane, the likeliest failure volume of 0.224 km<sup>3</sup> is defined based on the submarine blocky deposit volume, mapped in the deep basin to the SW of AK ( $0.214 \pm 0.036$  km<sup>3</sup>) and allowing for an additional contribution from a much

smaller volume ( $0.022 \pm 0.006 \text{ km}^3$ ) secondary debris flow deposit also mapped SW of the main blocky deposit. Alongside this, we also model three additional failure scenarios encompassing the minimum and maximum bounds of the landslide failure surface and geometry, with the 4 collapse scenario geometries having volumes between  $0.175$  and  $0.313 \text{ km}^3$ .

Observations of a single tsunami wave train, with no subsequently generated waves, are consistent with our interpretation from the marine surveys of landslide failure as a rapid, single phase, *en masse* movement, rather than a more piecemeal process; in the seafloor deposits, there is indeed no evidence that the slide volume was divided among multiple-stages of failure (Hunt et al., 2021). A single event interpretation is also supported by the marine seismic data. Thus, unlike the collapses at larger volcanic islands (e.g., Canaries; Hunt et al., 2011), single-stage failures that maximize the volume of material available at any one time for tsunamigenesis appear to be more the norm in settings such as AK's.

In the context of the many uncertainties in field observations, all our volume scenarios successfully reproduced the near- and far-field tsunami flow depths and runups observed in all post-event field survey results published to date, as well as arrival times and time series of surface elevations at tide gauges, and from eyewitness reports. This match between our model results and field observations confirms that our estimated landslide volume range and material rheologies are appropriate to the collapse event. Note, however, that slide dilation, an important physical aspect, which results from water being sucked into the granular material during slide motion, is not included in NHWAVE. While this effect could affect tsunami generation, the good agreement observed in the near-field between the measured and predicted runups would indicate that this was not significant during AK's event. Additionally, the many large blocks seen in the debris deposits would indicate that the amount of interstitial water may have been smaller than assumed in

simulations and that actual dilation effects were minor. Nevertheless dilation would be important to include in the model and study in future work.

Despite an observed moderate sensitivity of tsunami impact to the range of modeled landslide sources, particularly in the far-field, the granular rheology appears to yield slide deposits in better agreement with the marine deposits mapped in the 2019 survey (both location and thickness) than those from the dense fluid rheology. Additionally, near-field runups are also better predicted using a granular rheology. Regarding the collapse volume, the likeliest value inferred from the 2019 field survey, together with a refined analysis of satellite images, is  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$  (referred to in this paper as the likeliest scenario), which appears to provide the overall best agreement with the near-field runup measurements, as well as the far-field data. Hence, while the volume is harder to constrain using far-field data, we conclude that tsunami modeling supports the likeliest scenario inferred from the 2019 marine geology survey, although the constraint is weaker than for the rheology.

The AK event highlights the significant hazard posed by relatively small-scale lateral volcanic collapses, which occur *en-masse*, without any readily identified ‘predictive’, precursory signals, and are an efficient and unpredictable tsunami source. Our successful simulations demonstrate that current numerical models can accurately forecast tsunami hazards from these events, even assuming a large uncertainty on the source parameters (e.g., collapse failure plane and volume); this is why Giachetti et al. (2012)’s work provided a reasonable forecast of the event that took place at AK in 2018.

In cases such as AK’s, the absence of precursory warning signals of imminent collapse together with the short travel time following tsunami initiation present a major challenge for mitigating tsunami coastal impact from volcanic sources, stressing the need to install early warning



systems. After the AK 2018 event, using ground- and space-borne data, Walter et al. (2019) identified thermal anomalies and a gradual seaward motion of the volcano that they suggested could be used as precursors of the collapse. A warning system could thus closely monitor volcanoes exhibiting and elevated state of activity for such precursor signs. Warning systems could also use instruments allowing for an early detection of the tsunami generated by the collapse. Mulia et al. (2020) suggested that a high frequency (HF) radar could have been useful in providing an early detection of the tsunami generated by AK's collapse. In fact, Grilli et al. (2016, 2017a) proposed new algorithms for processing HF radar data to efficiently detect tsunami signals; by performing model simulations similar to those reported here, they demonstrated that their algorithm could provide an early detection of landslide tsunamis. Guérin et al. (2018) later applied this method to detect a meteo-tsunami/surge using actual HF radar data, off of Toffino, BC. Another novel approach recently proposed for detecting sea surface variations, such as those caused by non-seismic tsunamis, is that based on Coastal Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) signal reflection on the sea surface (e.g., Larson et al., 2020).

## **Data sharing**

A shared Google Drive folder containing all the NHWAVE and FUNWAVE model input data as well as all raw results generated for the simulations of the 2018 AK collapse and tsunami reported in this paper is accessible at: [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-60PsB3Zj-P58rbbAdbWUZ611I\\_QMs2S?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-60PsB3Zj-P58rbbAdbWUZ611I_QMs2S?usp=sharing).

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## Tables

Study/Paper	AK Collapse model	Tsunami model	Bathymetry Grid	AK Collapse source
Grilli et al. (2019)	NHWAVE: Multi-layer 3D Euler solver coupled with 2D layer slide model with dense viscous fluid/granular medium slide rheology	FUNWAVE: 2D fully nonlinear and dispersive Boussinesq model	NHWAVE: 90 m resolution Cartesian grid with 5 vertical layers; FUNWAVE: 100 m resolution Cartesian grid. Bathy/topo: 100 m resolution Giachetti et al. (2012)'s data	Geometry and failure surface reconstructed from pre-/post-collapse satellite observations, with volume of 0.22-0.30 km <sup>3</sup> (likeliest 0.27 km <sup>3</sup> )
Zengaffinen et al. (2020)	BinClaw: 2D two-layer water/slide coupled with viscoplastic slide rheology	GeoClaw: 2D nonlinear and non-dispersive long wave model (NLSW) GloBous: 2D linear dispersive long wave model (LSW) for limited comparison	BinClaw: 36 m resolution Cartesian grid GeoClaw: 175 m resolution Cartesian grid Globous: 100 m resolution Cartesian grid Bathy/topo: Giachetti et al. (2012)'s data	Same 0.28 km <sup>3</sup> volume, geometry, and failure surface as in Giachetti et al. (2012)
Paris et al. (2020a)	AVALANCHE: 2D two-layer water/slide with granular medium slide rheology	2D weakly nonlinear and dispersive Boussinesq model	Coarse grids (180 m ?) over deep water and 25 m resolution around AK and in 5 nested coastal grids Bathy/topo: from Gouhier and Paris (2019)	Geometry and failure surface reconstructed from pre-/post-collapse satellite and aerial observations, with volume of 0.15 km <sup>3</sup>
Ren et al. (2020)	2D two-layer water/slide coupled model with dense fluid slide rheology	GeoClaw: 2D nonlinear and non-dispersive long wave model (NLSW)	Generation: 30 m resolution nested grid GeoClaw: Coarse 0.125 arc-min (230 m) resolution grid Bathy/topo: interpolated from coarse 30 arc-sec (900 m) SRTM30_Plus data	Geometry and failure surface reconstructed from pre-/post-collapse satellite observations, with volume of 0.10-0.30 km <sup>3</sup> based on Grilli et al. (2019)
Mulia et al. (2020)	VolcFlow: 2D two-layer water/slide coupled model simulating silde with avalanche dynamics with retarding stress	FUNWAVE: 2D fully nonlinear and dispersive Boussinesq model	VolcFlow: 3 arc-sec (90 m) resolution grid FUNWAVE: 6 arc-sec (180 m) resolution grid Bathy/topo: 6 arc-sec bathymetry and 0.27 arc-sec topography around AK	Similar failure surface as in Giachetti et al. (2012) with steeper plane yielding a 0.24 km <sup>3</sup> volume
Heidarzadeh et al. (2020a)	No collapse/slide modeling. Empirical initialization based on laboratory experiments	COMCOT: 2D nonlinear and non-dispersive long wave model (NLSW)	Single 8 arc-sec (250 m) resolution grid Bathy/topo: from GEBCO-2014 30 arc-sec (900 m) resolution data	0.005 to 0.677 km <sup>3</sup> volume (empirical). Best fit with observations: 0.175 km <sup>3</sup> volume
Borrero et al. (2020)	No collapse/slide modeling. initialization with analytical solution	pCOULWAVE: 2D fully nonlinear and dispersive Boussinesq model	Single 2 arc-sec (60 m) resolution grid Bathy/topo: not defined	Analytical source parameters adjusted to best match the near-field runups
Omira and Ramalho, (2020)	2D Viscoplastic/Bingham slide model with upper water layer solving Nonlinear Shallow Water Eqs.	Same NSW model as slide model used for tsunami propagation.	Grid resolution not specified, Bathy/topo: DEMNAS 10 m topography and BIG 5 m bathymetry. A 10 m DEM is interpolated from both.	Two-failure sequence at 5 s, with 0.135 km <sup>3</sup> total volume, geometry reconstructed from pre-/post-collapse satellite observations
Dogan et al. (2021)	2D two-layer water/slide coupled model with dense fluid slide rheology	NAMI DANCE: 2D nonlinear and non-dispersive long wave model (NLSW)	Single 80 m resolution Cartesian grid Bathy/topo: from BATNAS 90-140 m resolution data	Reconstructed from pre-/post-collapse satellite observations with 0.24 km <sup>3</sup> volume (little detail given on definition of failure/slide geometry)

**Table 1.** Overview of main characteristics of earlier studies of the 2018 AK collapse and tsunami modeling.

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Grid	Mesh size ( <i>N, M</i> )	Resolution (m)	SW Corner (Lat., Lon.)
G1	3680,3900	50	-7°, 104.4°
G2	955, 1155	30 (horiz.) 7 $\sigma$ (vert.)	-6.2357°, 105.2916°

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**Table 2:** Parameters of grids used in simulations with NHWAVE (G2) and FUNWAVE (G1) (Fig. 1).

WG	Lon E. (Deg.)	Lat N. (Deg.)	Depth (m)	<i>t</i> meas. crest (s)	<i>t</i> meas. 1 cm (s)	<i>t</i> sim. crest (s)	<i>t</i> sim. 1 cm (s)
1.	105.4066°	-6.1234°	239.50	N/A	N/A	53-65	15.6-24.2
2.	105.3733°	-6.1524°	88.22	N/A	N/A	165.1-175.5	118.0-127.0
3.	105.4246°	-6.0691°	49.32	N/A	N/A	179-191	131.2-140.0
4.	105.4954°	-6.1279°	58.50	N/A	N/A	244.5-254.5	197.5-208.0
5.	105.3571°	-6.1361°	90.74	N/A	N/A	188.5-190.4	165.5-169.4
6.	105° 50' 15.0"	-6° 11' 21.5"	4.70	1980	1923	1995-2006	1967-1979
7.	105° 57' 10.8"	-6° 01' 02.5"	3.64	2700	2587	2712-2727	2617-2629
8.	104° 37' 08.5"	-5° 30' 01.2"	3.67	2520	2292	2550-2568	2358-2382
9.	105° 19' 06.1"	-5° 28' 08.7"	3.92	3600	3390	3660-3678	3564-3624

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**Table 3:** Parameters of numerical wave gauges (WG) 1-9 (Figs. 1a,b): Lat-Lon, depth (in grids G1

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(6-9) and G2 (1-5), assuming a MWL = MSL + 1.5 m, corresponding to the estimated average tide

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elevation at the time of the event), and arrival time (1 cm elevation or first main crest),

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measured/simulated range for 8 scenarios (Figs. 6,7; scenarios 1-8 in Table 4). WG 1-5 have no

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measured time (Fig. 6), but WG 6-9 are collocated with Tide Gauges (Fig. 10) at: (5) Serang,

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Marina Jambu, (6) Ciwandan, (8) Kota-Angung, (9) Panjang. In simulations, the AK collapse is

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assumed to take place at 20:57' local time (UTC + 7). Simulated crest arrival times at 9 WG for 8

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scenarios are within 2-18 s. Simulated differences in crest arrival time at tide gauges are 15-78 s,

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compared to the 1 minute data sampling interval. N/A: Not Applicable.

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No.	Landslide rheology	Collapse Volume. (km <sup>3</sup> )	Model MWL (m)
1.	Granular	0.313	MSL + 1.5
2.	Granular	0.272	MSL + 1.5
3.	Granular	0.224	MSL + 1.5
4.	Granular	0.175	MSL + 1.5
5.	Viscous	0.313	MSL + 1.5
6.	Viscous	0.272	MSL + 1.5
7.	Viscous	0.224	MSL + 1.5
8.	Viscous	0.175	MSL + 1.5
9.	Granular	0.224	MSL + 0.5
10.	Granular	0.224	MSL + 1.0
11.	Granular	0.224	MSL + 2.0

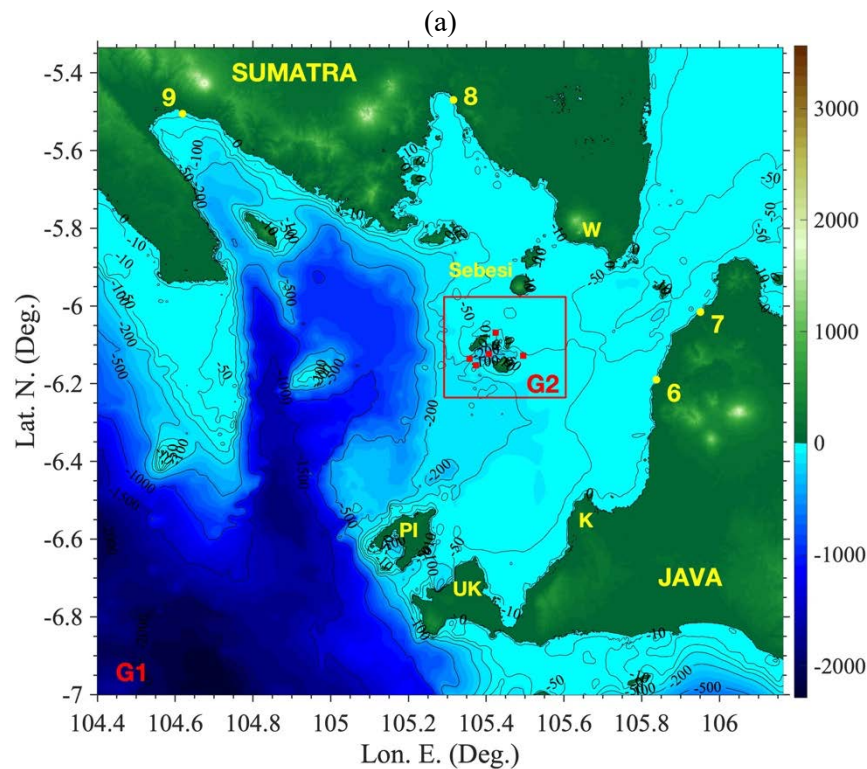
**Table 4:** Description of Anak's collapse scenarios simulated in the near-field with NHWAVE, each for 420 s (Figs 3-8; see Table 5 for rheology parameters). For each scenario, FUNWAVE is initialized with NHWAVE results at 380 s, and simulations are performed in the far-field for an additional 2 h (Figs. 9, 10); MSL and MWL denote the mean sea level and mean water level, respectively. Scenarios 1-8 are the main collapse scenarios simulated and discussed in the paper, whereas scenarios 9-11 are additional simulations performed as part of the sensitivity analysis of model results to MWL detailed in Supplementary file #S3. Scenarios 3, 7, 9-11 correspond to the likeliest collapse volume of 0.224 km<sup>3</sup>. Scenario 3, with the granular rheology, is deemed our likeliest collapse scenario.

Granular collapse rheology			
Granular medium density	$\rho_c$	1,900	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Granular bulk density	$\rho_{ac}$	1,550	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Internal friction angle	$\phi_{ic}$	10	°
Basal friction angle	$\phi_{bc}$	2	°
Viscous collapse rheology			
Viscous fluid density	$\rho_c$	1,550	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Viscous fluid kinematic viscosity	$\nu_c$	0.5	m <sup>2</sup> /s

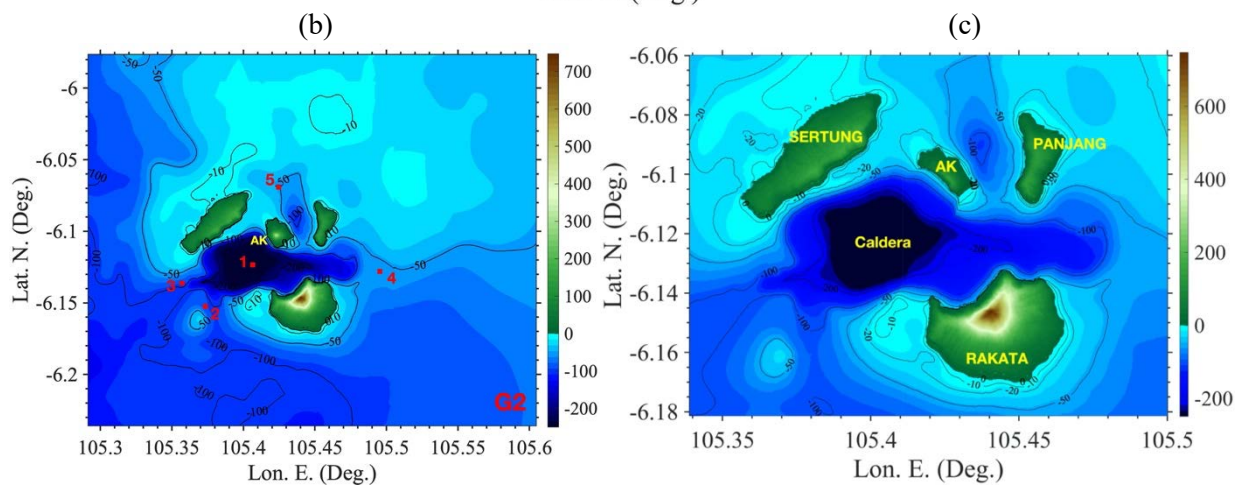
**Table 5:** Parameters of granular landslide and viscous landslide collapse scenarios simulated with NHWAVE (see Table 4).



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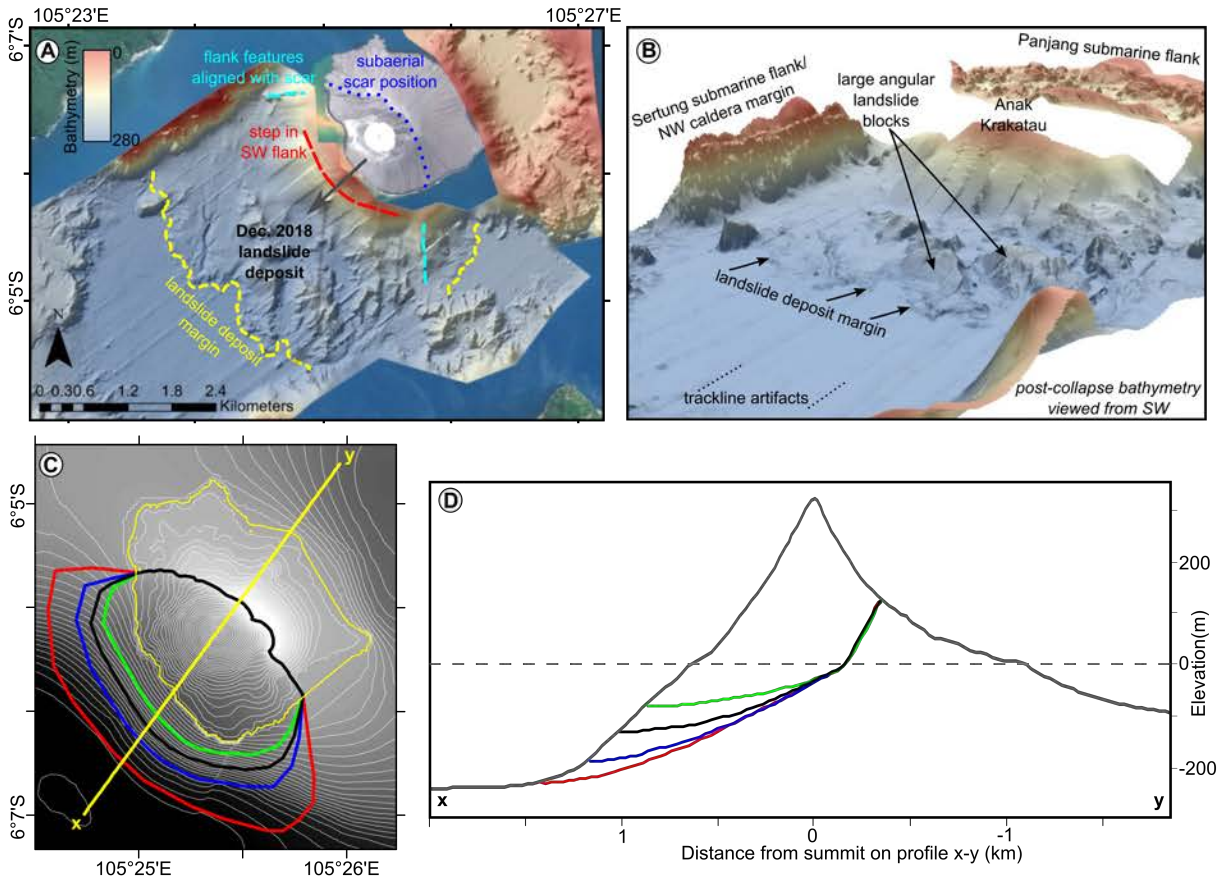
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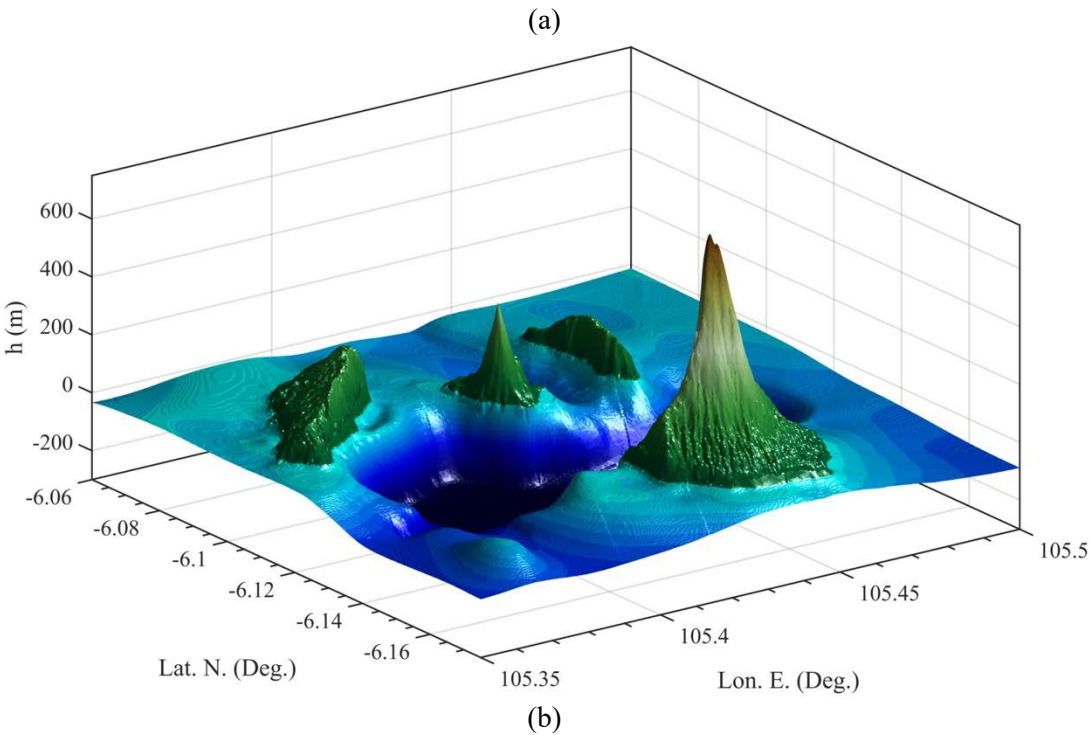
**Figure 1:** (a) Study area covered by 2D FUNWAVE 50 m Cartesian grid G1; (b) zoom-in onto 3D

NHWAVE 30 m Cartesian grid G2 (red box in (a)), with 7 vertical  $\sigma$  layers, encompassing Anak-Krakatau (AK) and its surrounding islands (Rakata, Sertung, Panjang). Numbered symbols mark locations of numerical wave gauges (6-9 are collocated with tide gauges). Black contours and color scale is (a,b) pre- and (c) post-collapse (likeliest scenario) bathymetry/topography in meter, including an observed +1.5 m mean tide level. Letters in (a) are localities: (UK) Ujung Kulon; (K) Kolijaah; (PI) Panaitan Island; (W) Waymuli.

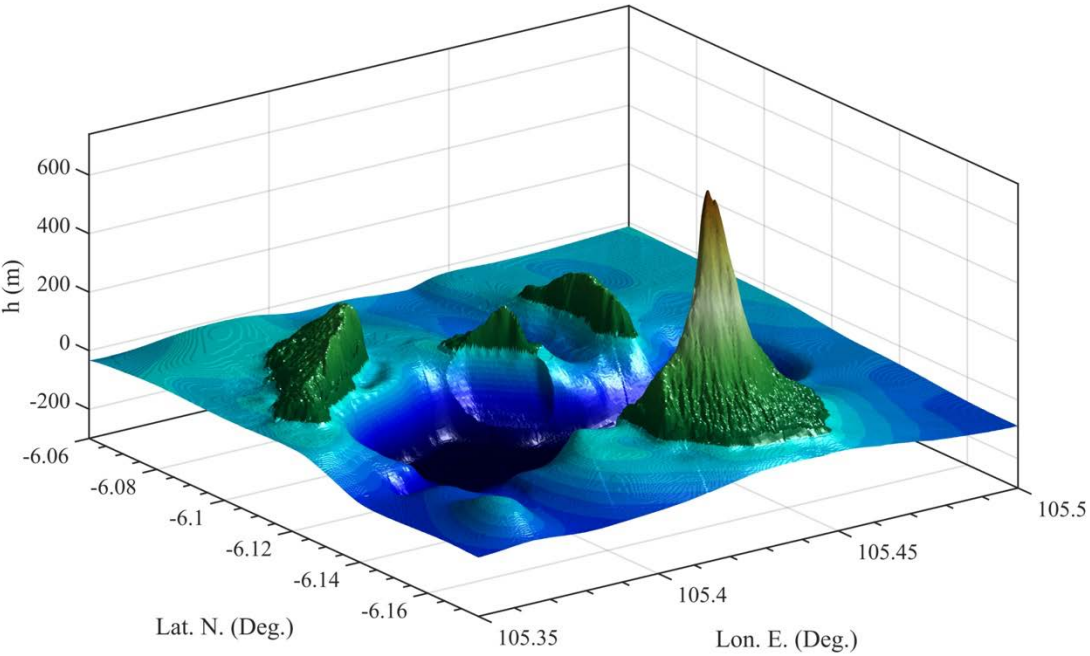


**Figure 2:** (a,b) Post-collapse bathymetry/topography of AK and surrounding islands (Fig 1) from August 2019 survey's seismic reflection profiles (Hunt et al., 2021), showing AK's subaerial scar and submarine landslide deposits; the rendering in panel (b) clearly shows large, blocky landslide deposits at the base of AK's SW flank. (c,d) Geometry of AK's four collapse scenarios modeled with NHWAVE, in (c) planview and (d) profile in SW direction (225 deg. to N; see trace in panel (c)), with colored lines marking the scenario of total collapse volume: (red) 0.313; (blue) 0.272; (black) 0.224 (deemed the likeliest volume scenario; see Figs. 1c and 3b and Table 4); and (green) 0.175 km<sup>3</sup>. Yellow contour in (c) marks the post-collapse coastline and black line in (d) is AK's pre-collapse SW profile (culminating at 335 m).

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**Figure 3:** 3D view of composite pre- and post-collapse (likeliest scenario; #3 in Table 4)

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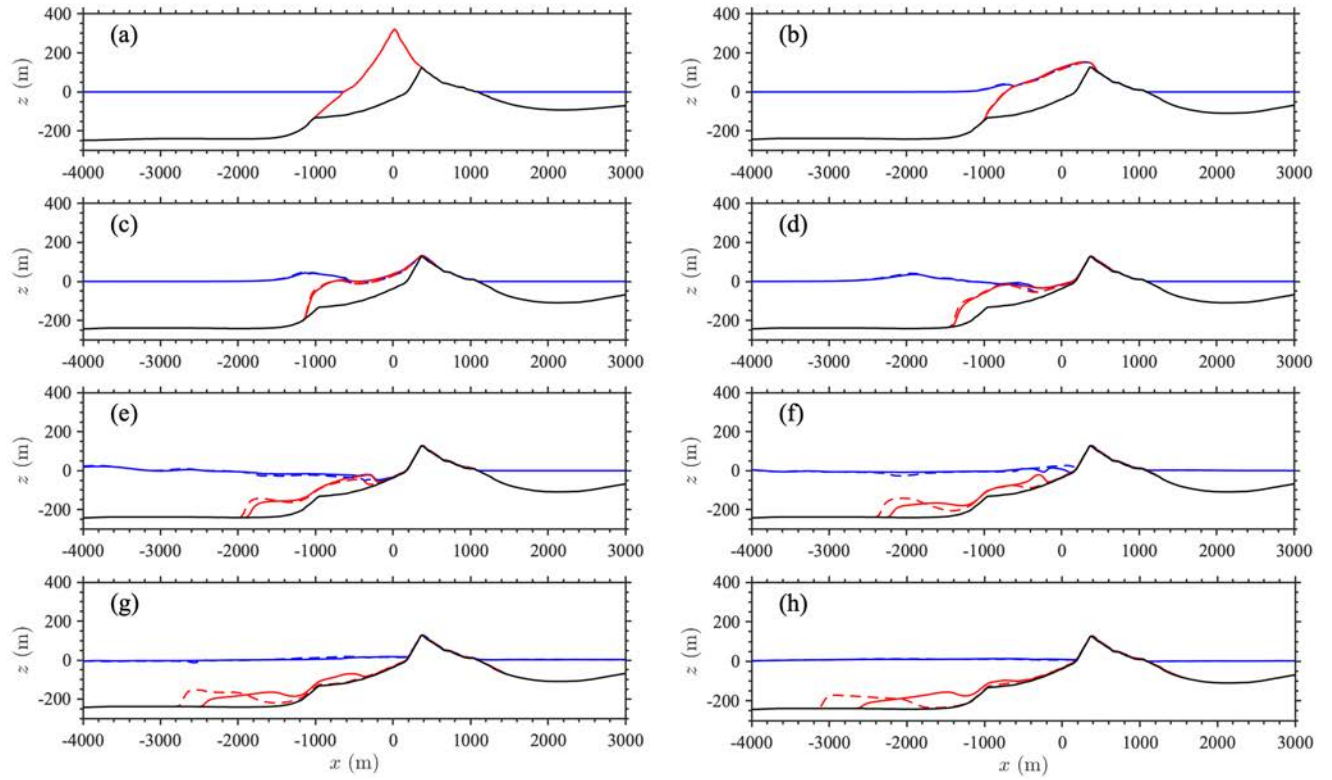
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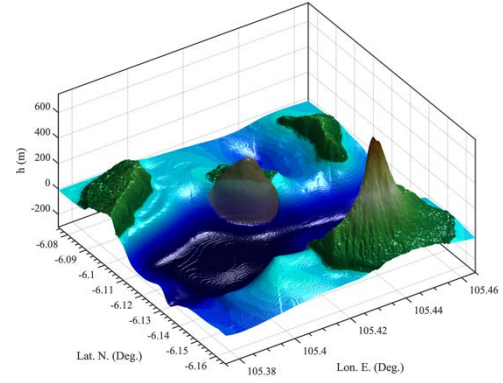
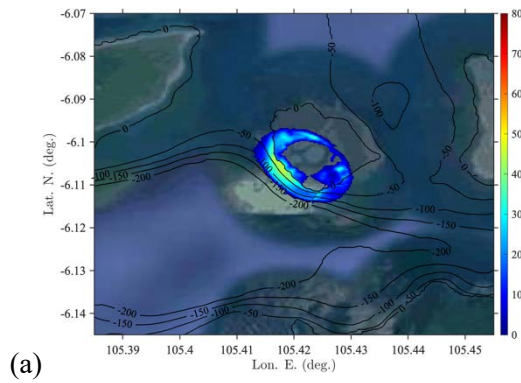
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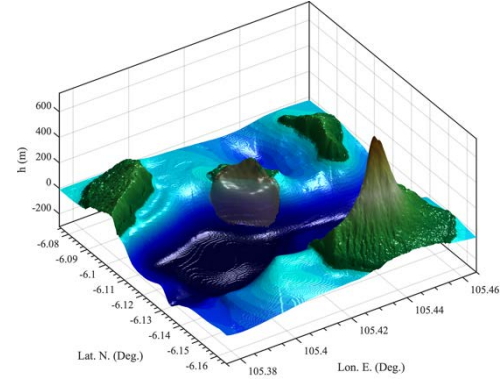
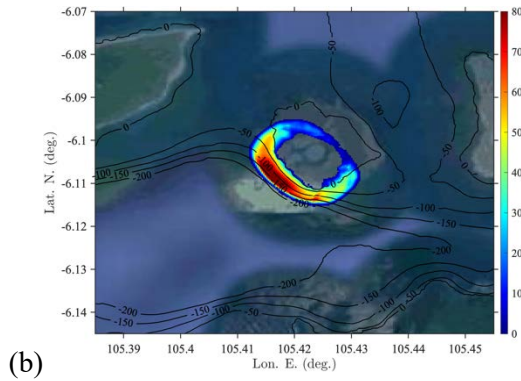
**Figure 4:** Simulation of likeliest AK collapse volume scenarios (with  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ; #3 and 7 in Table 4) with NHWAVE in Grid G2 (Fig. 1) with a granular (solid; #3) or viscous (dashed; #7) rheology. Sub-panels show SW (225 deg. to north; Fig. 2) transects of computed instantaneous surface elevations (—/---) and slide profiles (—/---), at  $t =$  (a) 0, (b) 10, (c) 20, (d) 40, (e) 80, (f) 120, (g) 160 and (h) 200 s.



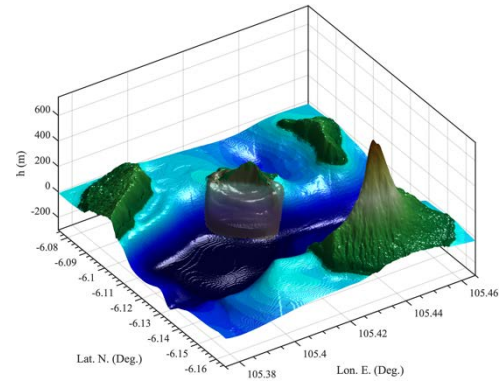
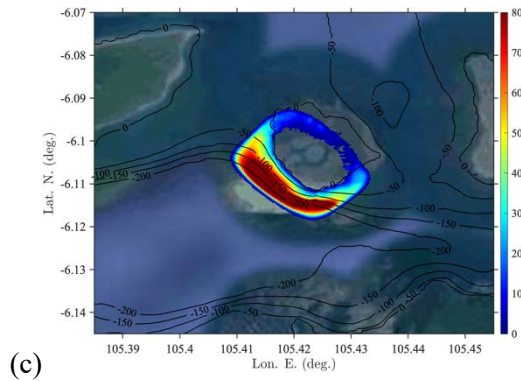
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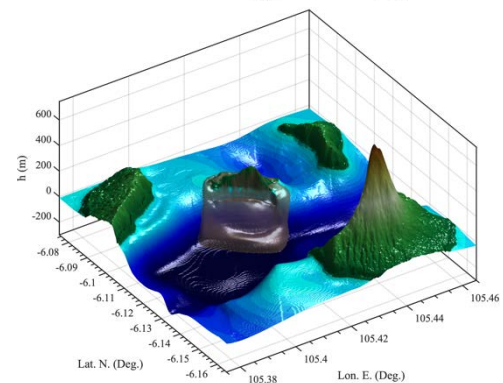
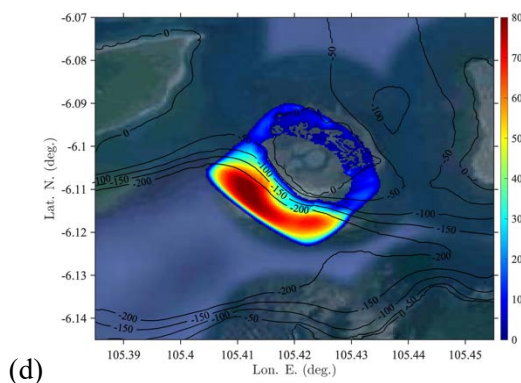
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**Figure 5:** Snapshots of slide motion for granular case of Fig. 4 (#3 in Table 4), at  $t =$  (a) 10, (b)

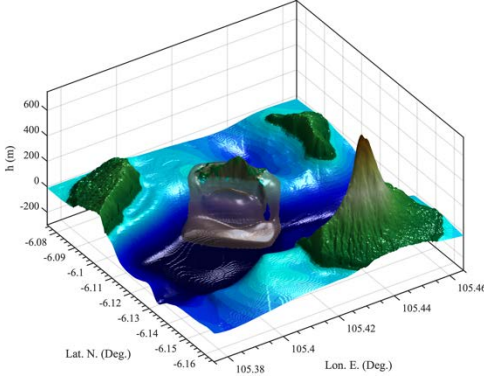
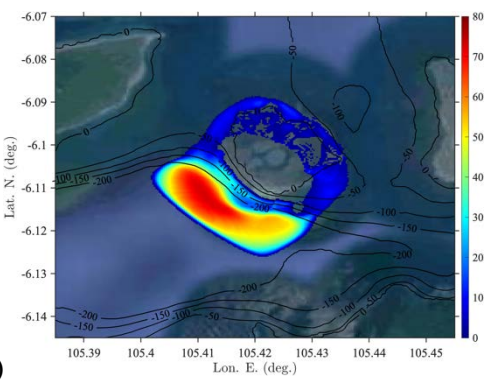
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20, (c) 40, (d) 80, (e) 120, (f) 160, (g) 200, and (h) 380 s. Color scale is slide thickness in meter.

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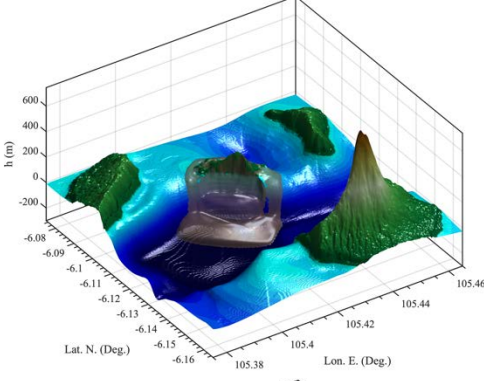
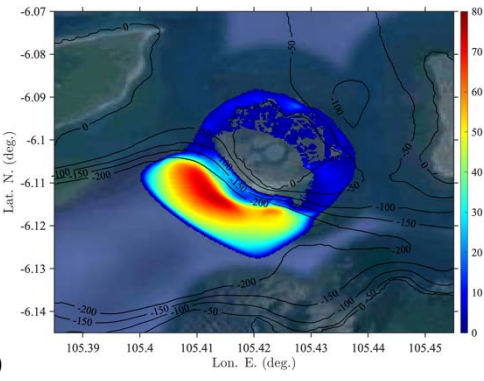
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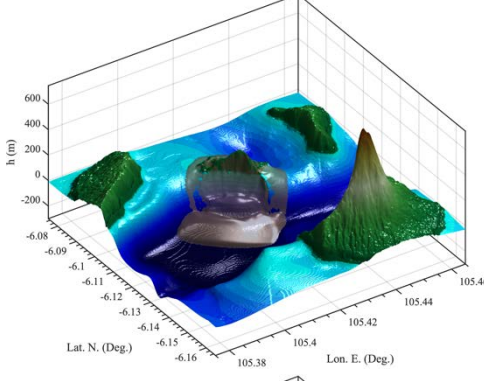
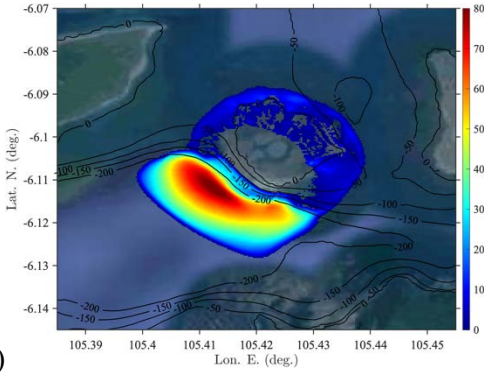
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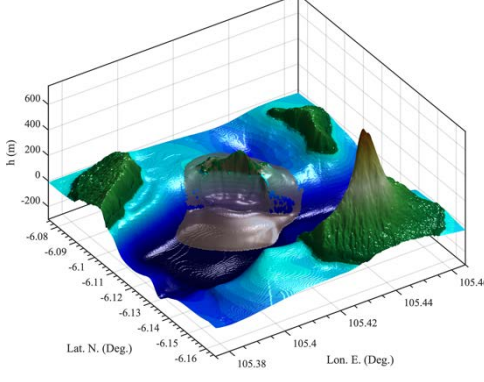
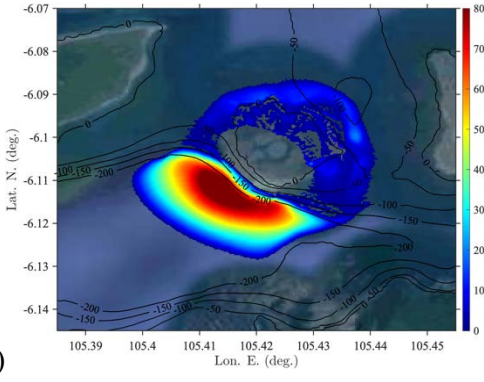
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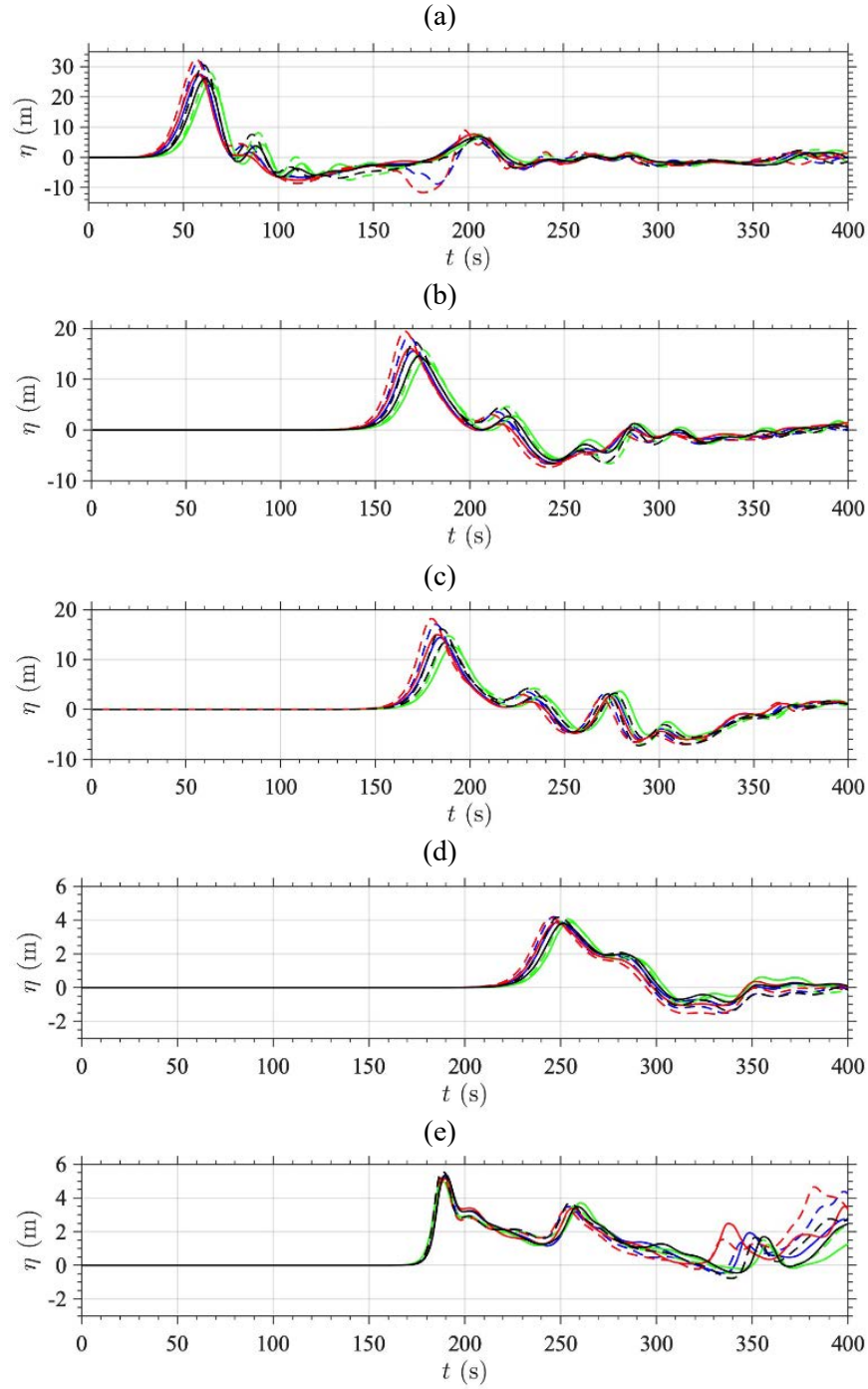
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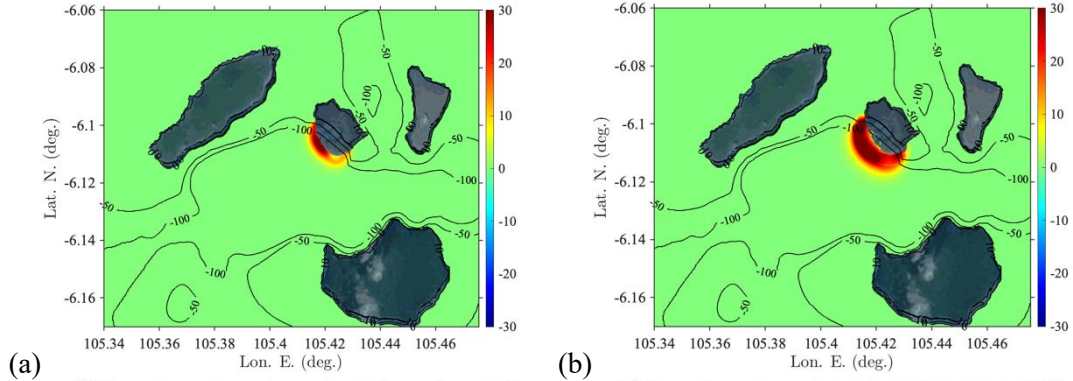
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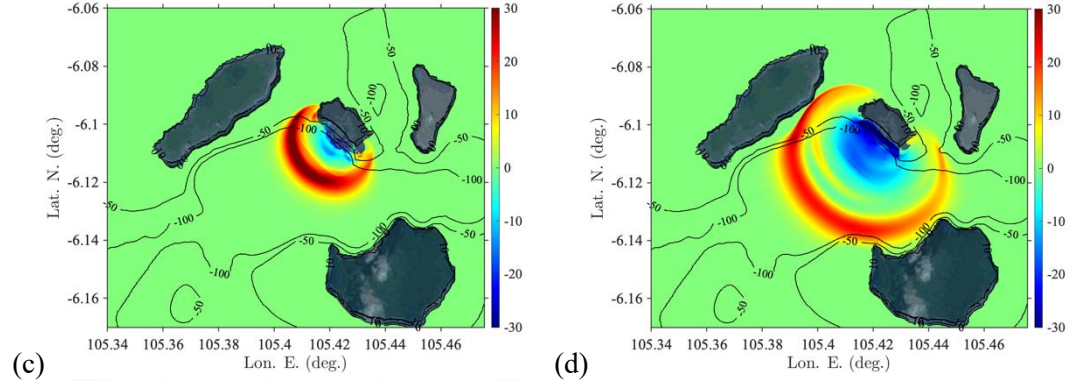
**Figure 6:** Time series of surface elevations computed at numerical wave gauges (WG) 1-5 (a-e; Fig. 1b) with NHWAVE in Grid G2 (Fig. 1), for 8 AK collapse scenarios (#1-8 in Table 4), with a granular (solid) or viscous (dashed) rheology, and volume (Figs. 2c,d): (—/- - -) 0.313; (—/- - -) 0.272; (—/- - -) 0.224 (likeliest scenario; see Figs. 1c and 3b); (—/- - -) 0.175 km<sup>3</sup>. Time  $t = 0$  is estimated collapse time, 20:57' local time (UTC + 7). Note, reference level in simulations is MWL = MSL + 1.5 m (tide elevation).



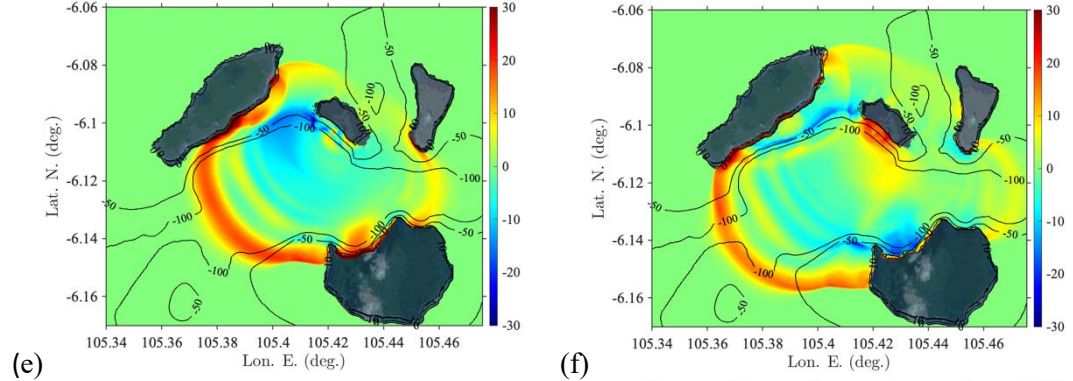
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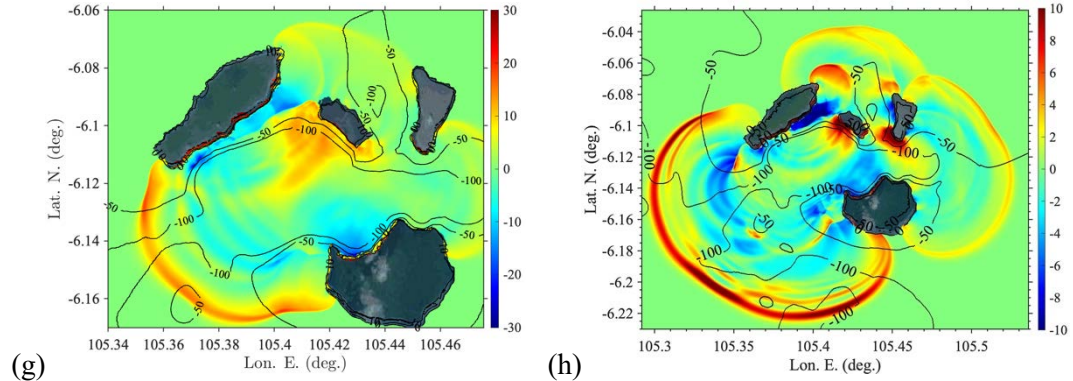
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**Figure 7:** Snapshots of free surface elevations computed with NHWAVE in Grid G2, for likeliest

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collapse scenario (granular,  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ; #3 in Table 4), at  $t =$  (a) 10, (b) 20, (c) 40, (d) 80, (e) 120, (f) 160,

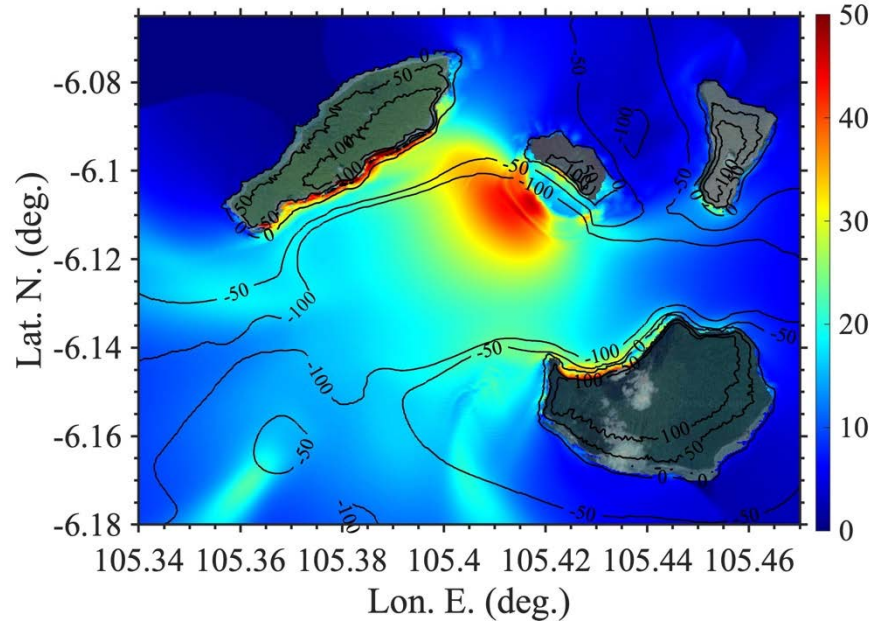
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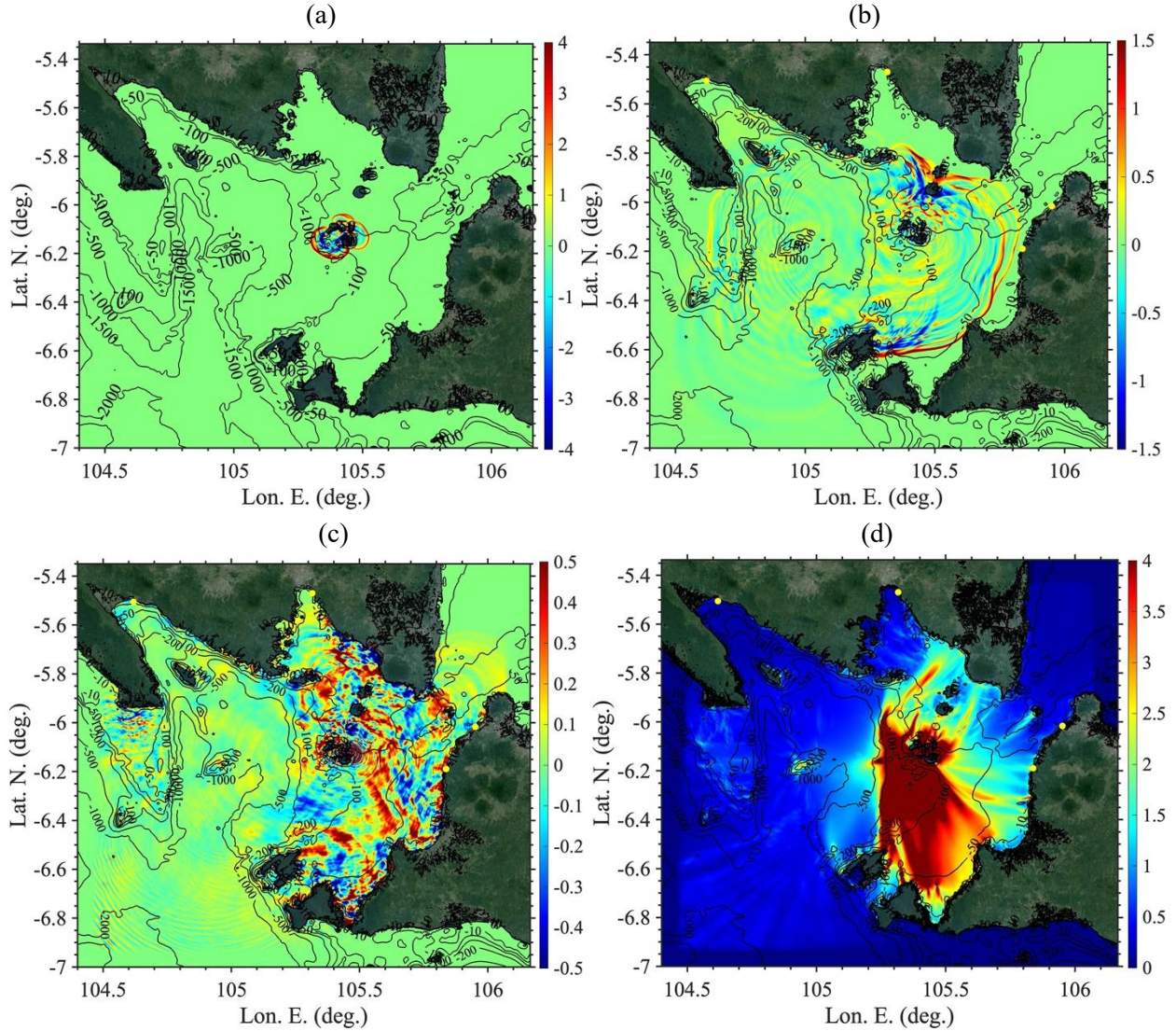
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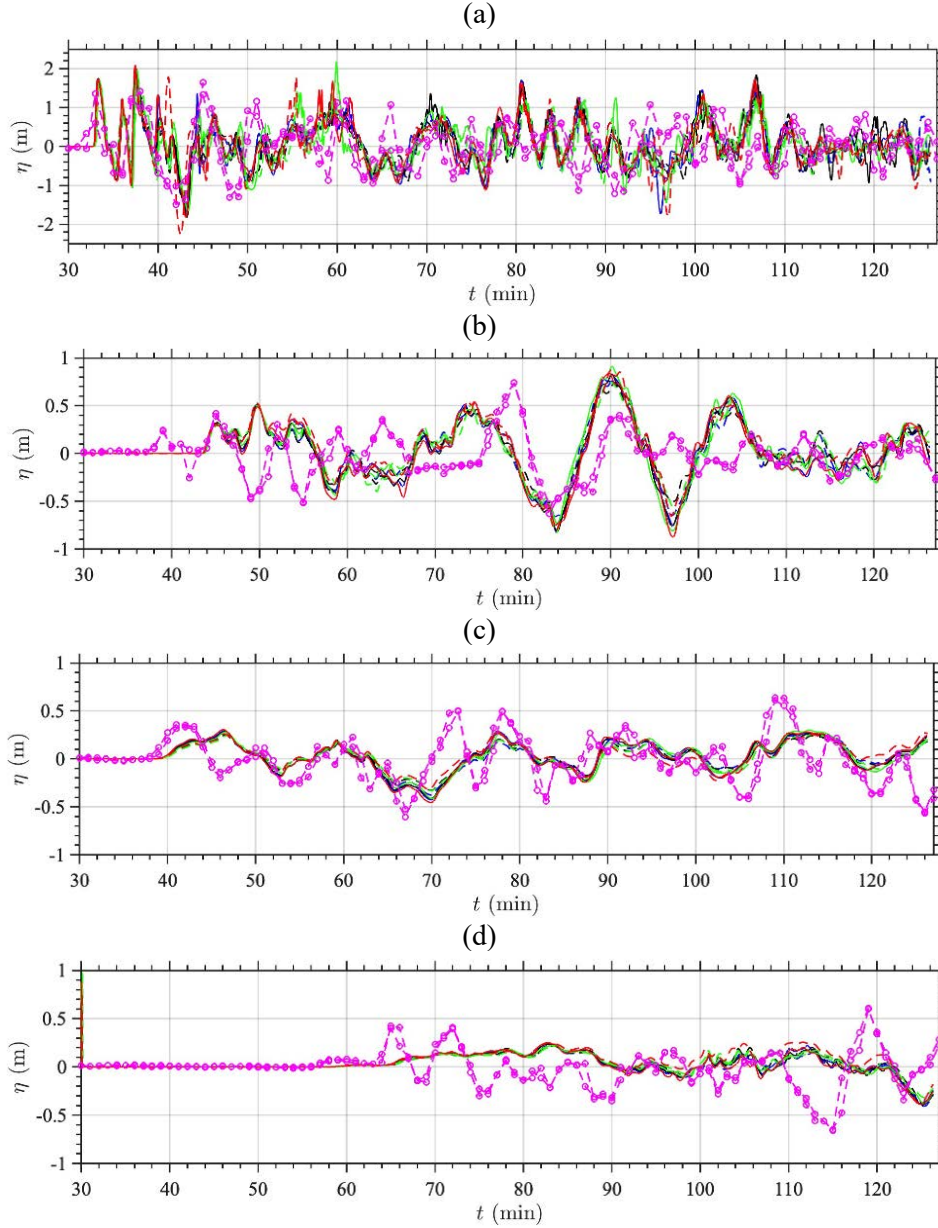


**Figure 8:** Maximum envelope of surface elevations computed with NHWAVE in Grid G2 for AK collapse likeliest scenario (granular,  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ; #3 in Table 4), up to  $t = 420 \text{ s}$  (color scale in meter).

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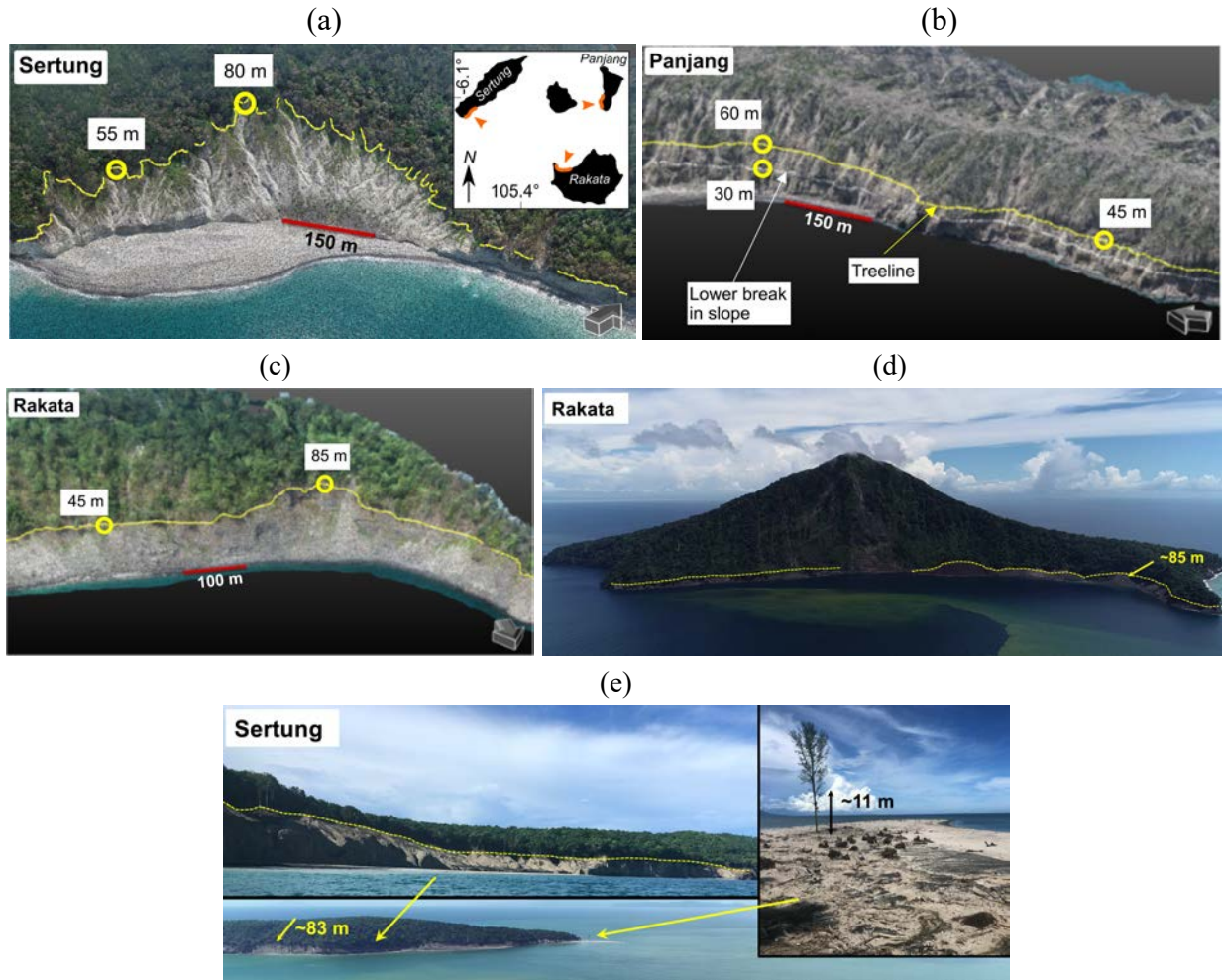


**Figure 9:** Tsunami surface elevations computed with FUNWAVE in Grid G1 for AK collapse likeliest scenario (granular,  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ; #3 in Table 4). Initial elevation at  $t =$  (a) 380 s from NHWAVE simulation, (b) 1800 s, and (c) 3600 s; (d) envelope of maximum elevations up to  $t = 7,580$  s (different color scales in meter). Maps show topography from Google Earth georeferenced satellite images embedded using an API key. Reference level in simulations is  $\text{MWL} = \text{MSL} + 1.5 \text{ m}$ . Yellow bullets mark locations of tide gauges (see Fig. 1a).

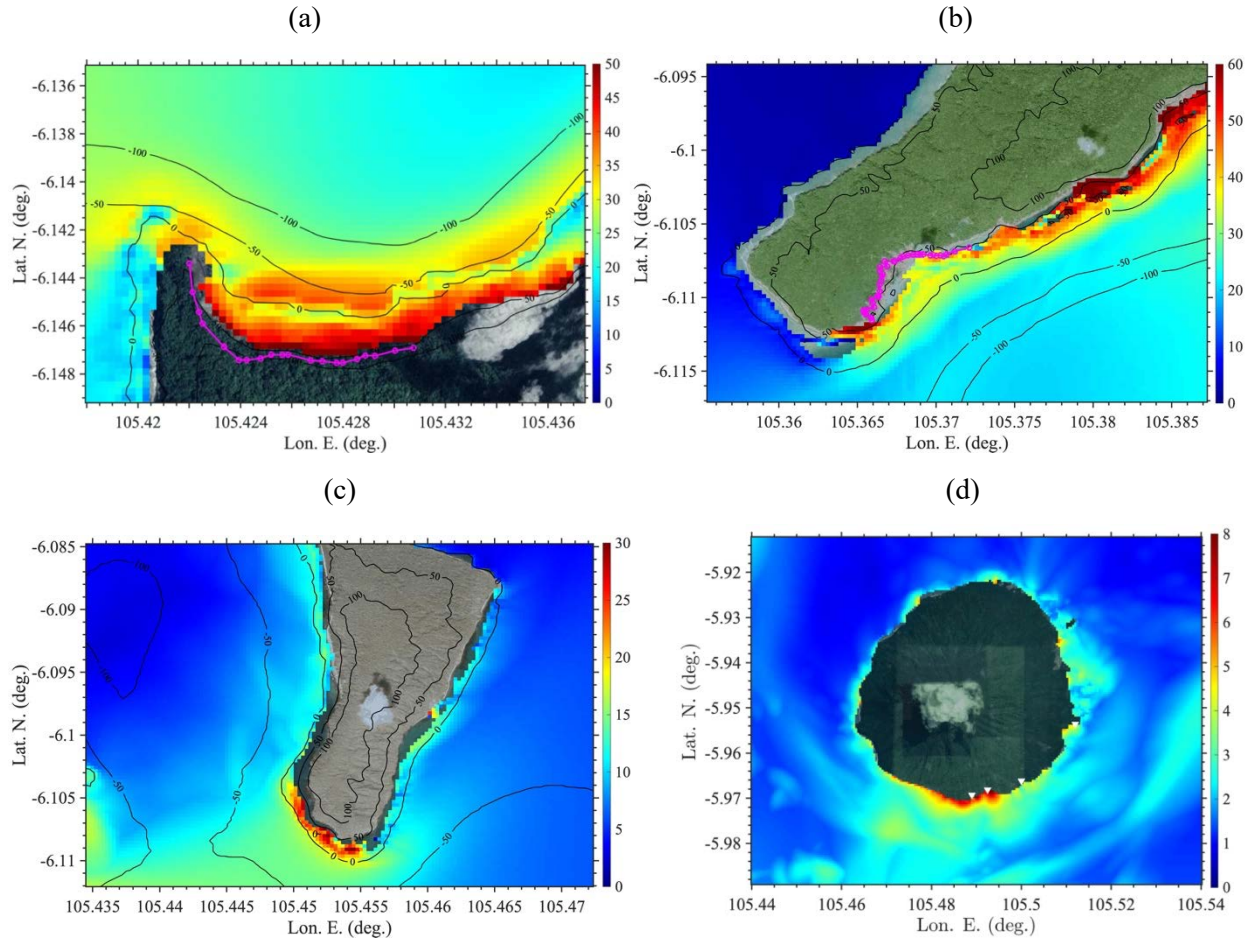


**Figure 10:** Time series of surface elevations, in simulations with respect to MWL = MSL + 1.5 m, at numerical wave gauges 6-9 (a-d; Fig. 1a), computed with FUNWAVE for 8 AK collapse scenarios (#1-8 in Table 4) with a granular (solid) or viscous (dashed) rheology, and volume (Figs. 2c,d): (—/- - -) 0.313; (—/- - -) 0.272; (—/- - -) 0.224 (likeliest scenario; see Figs. 1c and 3b); (—/- - -) 0.175 km<sup>3</sup>, compared to collocated detided observations (-o-) with 2 sensors, at 4 tide gauges (Table 3). Time  $t = 0$  is estimated collapse time, 20:57' local time (UTC + 7).

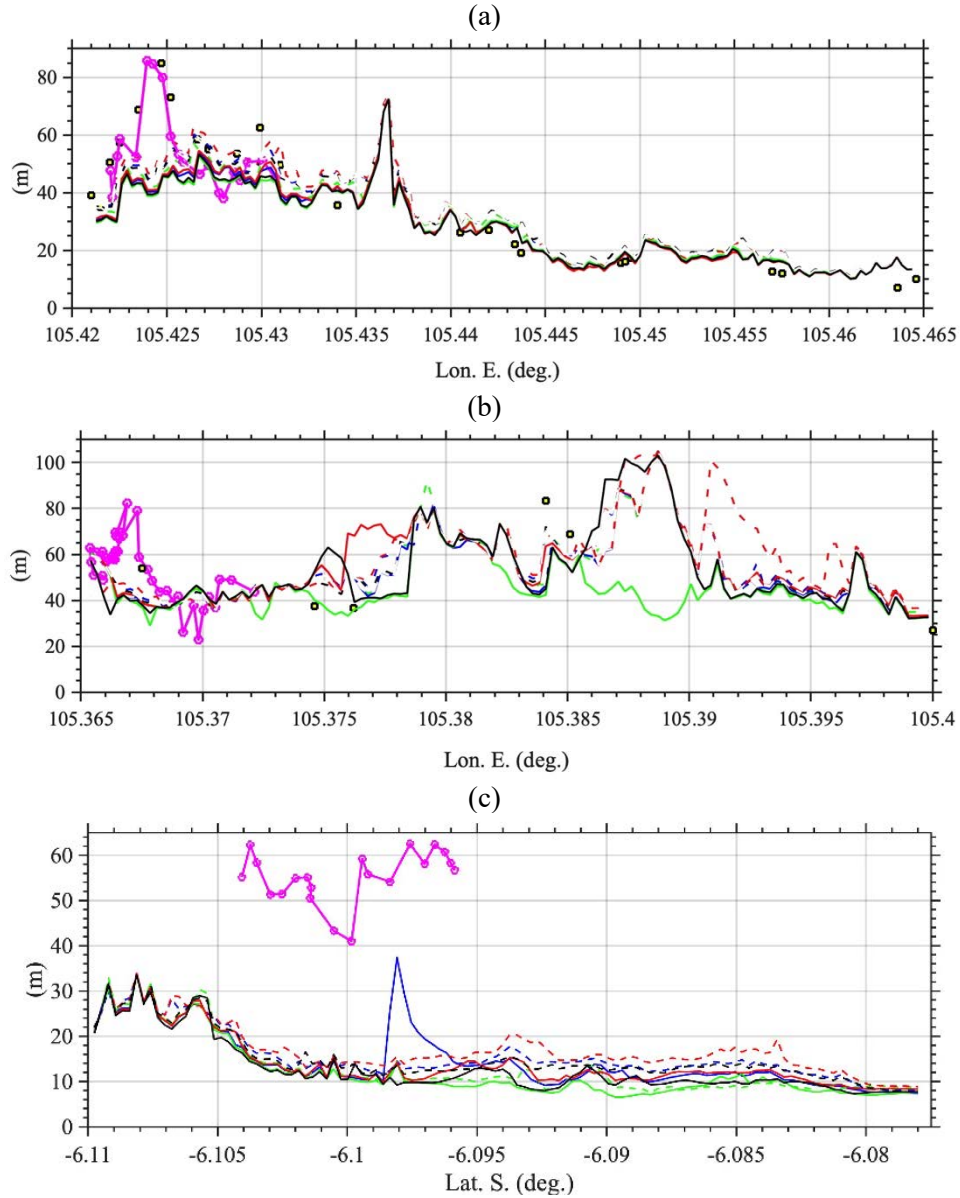




**Figure 11:** Pictures from AK field surveys of near-field runups (see Fig. 13 for actual elevations) on surrounding islands (Fig. 1c): (a,b,c) dashed yellow lines mark the authors August 2019 tree/vegetation line drone survey of Sertung, Panjang and Rakata, respectively (see inset in (a) for orientation); (d,e) Borrero et al.'s (2020) 02/2019 survey, of (d) Rakata's N/NW shore, (e) Sertung's SE/NE shore. In panel (b), the white dashed line marks the steepest slope limit on Panjang's W shore.

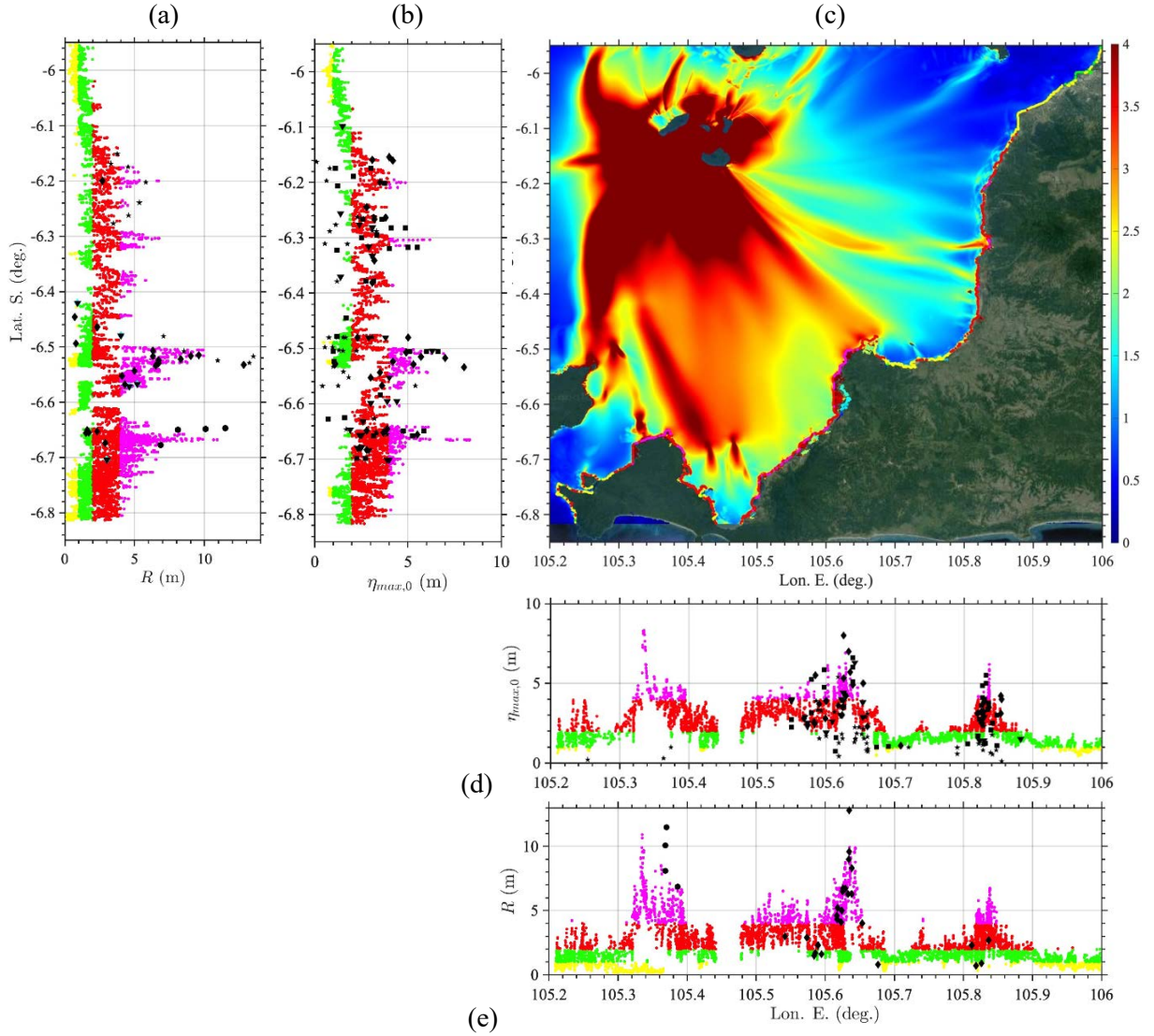


**Figure 12:** Zoom-in on maximum surface elevation (inundation) computed with (a-c) NHWAVE in Grid G2 (Fig. 8) or (d) FUNWAVE in Grid G1 (Fig. 9d) for the likeliest collapse scenario (granular, 0.224 km<sup>3</sup>; #3 in Table 4), along (Figs. 1a,c): (a) Rakata's NW shore, (b) Sertung's SW shore, (c) Panjang's S shore, and (d) Sebesi. Pink circles/line in (a,b) indicate August 2019 drone survey (Figs. 11a,c); white triangles in (d) are flow depth/runup from Borrero et al.'s (2020) 02/2019 field survey of Sebesi (7.5, 9.0, 2.6, 2.0 m from W to E, respectively, referred here to MWL). Black contours are bathymetry/topography in meter. Note, reference level in simulations is MWL = MSL + 1.5 m (tide elevation).

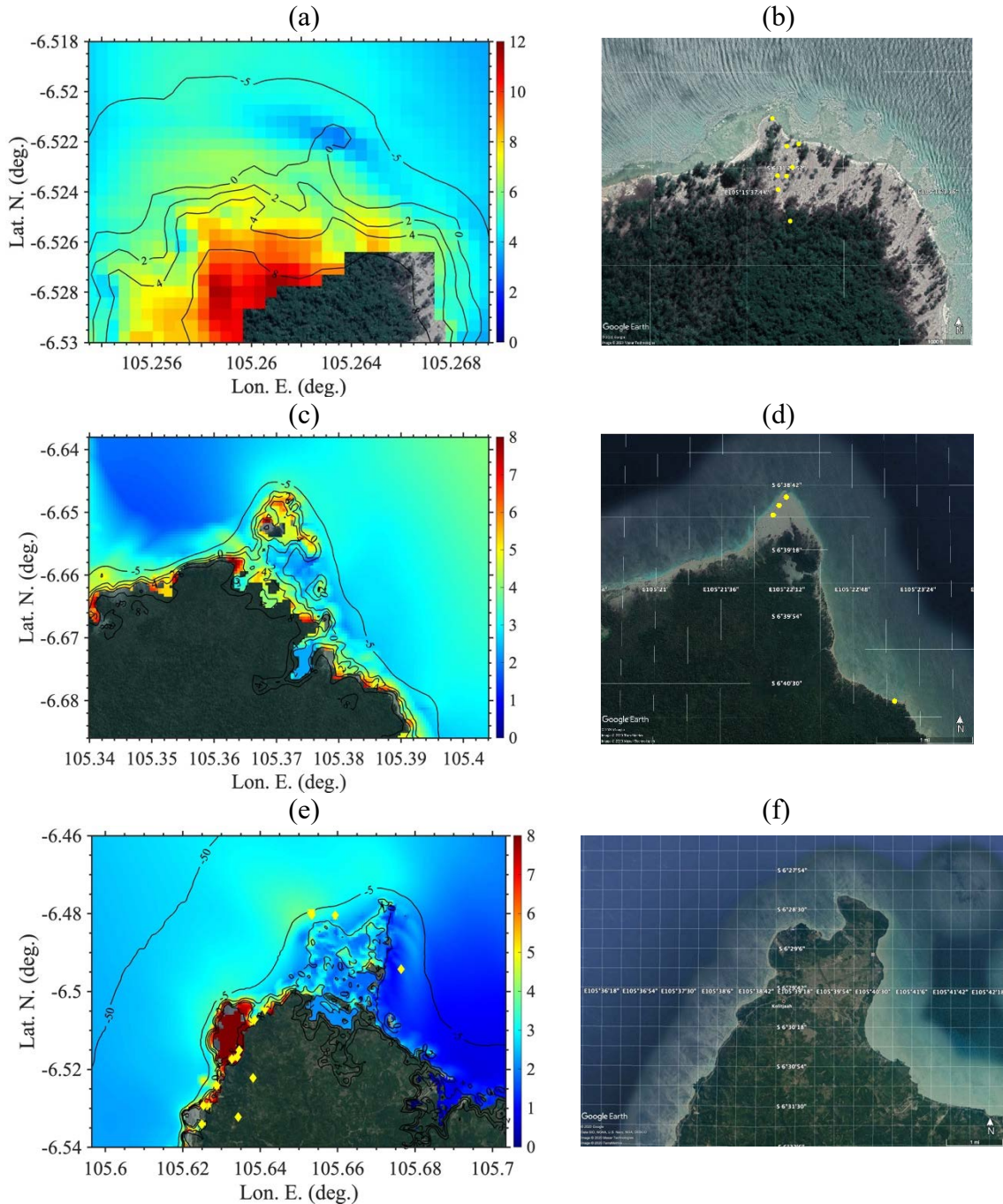


**Figure 13:** Maximum runup computed with NHWAVE along (Figs. 1c, 11, 12): (a) Rakata's N shore; (b) Sertung's S shore; and (c) Panjang's W shore, for 8 AK collapse scenarios (#1-8 in Table 4) with a granular (solid) or viscous (dashed) rheology, and volume (Figs. 2c,d): (—/---) 0.313; (—/---) 0.272; (—/---) 0.224 (likeliest scenario; see Figs. 1c and 3b); (—/---) 0.175 km<sup>3</sup>, compared to the authors' August 2019 drone field survey (Fig. 11; -o-) of tree line and to the field measurements (yellowed squares) of Borrero et al. (2020); note, the latter authors reported an 8 m flow depth for north of Panjang. Note, in simulations and the field data, zero elevation is MWL = MSL + 1.5 m (tide elevation).





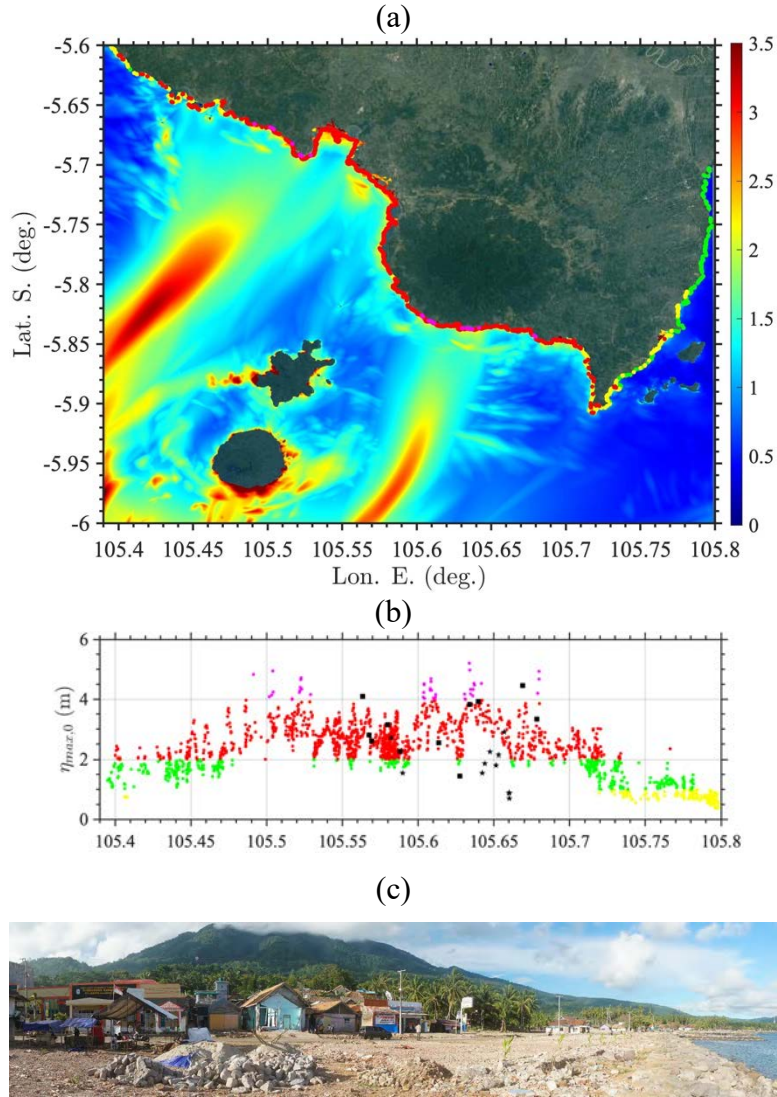
**Figure 14:** (a,e) Maximum Runup  $R$ , and (b,d) flow depth at the shore  $\eta_{max,0}$  (along 0 m contour) from (a) maximum envelope of surface elevation computed with FUNWAVE in Grid G1, for likeliest AK collapse scenario (granular,  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ; #3 in Table 4; Fig. 9d) zoomed-in on Java; for clarity, 4 classes of elevations are defined: (●) 0-1 m; (●) 1-2 m; (●) 2-4 m, and (●) > 4 m. Results are compared with field measurements of flow depth and runup, from: (■) TDMRC (2019), (★) Muhari et al. (2019), (◆) Putra et al. (2020), (▼) Heidarzadeh et al. (2020b), and (●) Borrero et al. (2020) surveys.



**Figure 15:** (a,c,e) Max. surface elevation (FUNWAVE, Grid G1; color scales in meter), for likeliest AK collapse scenario (granular, 0.224 km<sup>3</sup>; #3 in Table 4; Fig. 9d), zoomed on (Fig. 1a): (a) Panaitan Island (PI); (c) Ujung Kulon (UK); and (e) Kolijaah (K). (b,d,f) Google Earth image of PI, UK and K (11/20).

(•) in (b,d) are locations of Borrero et al.'s (2020) elevation survey, measured from N to S, in (b) at (around Lon. E. 105.2622): 6.4, 7.3, 6.5, 6.1, 8.4, 6.4, 6, 7.4 m (MWL) (note southern point was missing a terrain correction that was added), and in (d) at: 11.5, 11.1, 8.1, 6.9 m (MWL). Black contours in (a,c,e) are bathymetry/topography in meter and color scale is maximum surface elevation in meter.





**Figure 16:** Same results as in Fig. 14: (a) Envelope of maximum surface elevation (FUNWAVE, Grid G1; color scales in meter), for likeliest AK collapse scenario (granular,  $0.224 \text{ km}^3$ ; #3 in Table 4; Fig. 9d), zoomed on Sumatra (Fig. 1) with 4 classes defined as: (●) 0-1 m; (●) 1-2 m; (●) 2-4 m, and (●) > 4 m; (b) comparison of computed flow depth at the shore with field surveys of: (■) TDMRC (2019), (★) Muhari et al. (2019); (c) View of Waymuli (W, Fig. 1a,  $105.6348 \text{ E}$ ), looking east, from Fritz et al. (2019) 02/2019 field survey.