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18 **Abstract**

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

29 bathymetric dataset based on our 2019 field surveys and satellite images. These subaerial and
30 submarine data sets are used to constrain the geometry and magnitude of the landslide mechanism,
31 which show that the primary landslide scar bisected the AK edifice, cutting behind the central vent
32 and removing 50% of its subaerial volume. The primary landslide volume is estimated to range
33 from $0.175 - 0.313 \text{ km}^3$, based on uncertainties in the shape of the submerged part of the failure
34 plane. This is supported by an independent estimate of the primary landslide deposit volume of
35 $0.214 \pm 0.036 \text{ km}^3$. Given uncertainties in the failure volume, we define a range of potential failure
36 surfaces that span these values in 4 collapse scenarios of volume ranging from 0.175 to 0.313 km^3 .
37 These AK collapses are modeled, assuming either a granular or viscous fluid rheology, together
38 with their corresponding tsunami generation and propagation. Observations of a single tsunami,
39 with no subsequent waves, are consistent with our interpretation of landslide failure in a rapid,
40 single phase of movement rather than a more piecemeal process, generating a tsunami which
41 reached nearby coastlines within ~ 30 minutes. For both modelled rheologies, the 0.224 km^3
42 collapse (second and preferred scenario) most successfully reproduces the near- and far-field
43 tsunami flow depth and runup observed in all post-event field survey results, tide gauge records,
44 and eyewitness reports to date, suggesting our estimated landslide volume range is appropriate.
45 This event highlights the significant hazard posed by relatively small-scale lateral volcanic
46 collapses, which can occur *en-masse*, without any precursory signals, and are an efficient and
47 unpredictable tsunami source. Our successful simulations demonstrate that current numerical
48 models can accurately forecast tsunami hazards from these events. In cases such as Anak
49 Krakatau's, the absence of precursory warning signals, together with the short travel time
50 following tsunami initiation present a major challenge for mitigating tsunami coastal impact,
51 stressing the need to develop and install early warning systems for such events.

52

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 km^3 ; Ward and Day, 2003) and Stromboli 2002
74 (0.01 km^3 ; Tinti et al., 2006; Fornaciai et al., 2019). Of historical events, the best studied eruption-

75 generated tsunami is that at Krakatau, Indonesia in 1883 (Verbeek, 1983, 1885; Simkin and Fiske,
76 1983; Siswamidjono, 1983). During their eruption, there were 19 tsunamis, with the most
77 destructive generated during the final, cataclysmic, caldera collapse and the associated
78 emplacement of pyroclastic flow material into the sea, which destroyed the volcanic edifice and
79 caused 33,000 fatalities (Simkin and Fiske, 1983). Another highly destructive volcanic tsunami
80 was generated by the lateral collapse of Ritter Island in 1888. This $\sim 5 \text{ km}^3$ flank collapse is the
81 largest recorded volume lost from an island volcano in a single event in historical times (Ward and
82 Day, 2003; Karstens et al., 2019; Watt et al., 2019). The death toll in the Ritter tsunami is poorly
83 constrained, with the highest estimate being about 3,000 deaths (Johnson, 1987). Due to the
84 paucity of data on most volcanic events, the results of their tsunami modelling have not been fully
85 validated and both landslide source mechanisms (e.g., Hunt et al., 2011; Ward and Day, 2003;
86 Watt et al., 2019) and the generated tsunamis (e.g., Day et al., 2005; Løvholt et al., 2008; Giachetti
87 et al., 2011; Abadie et al., 2012, 2020; Tehranirad et al., 2015; Paris, 2015), remain poorly
88 documented, so are a challenge to model. Any tsunamigenic volcanic collapse thus provides an
89 opportunity to improve our understanding of coupled flank-failure and tsunami-generating
90 processes, and to test and develop current landslide-tsunami numerical models. As the largest
91 volcanic-island lateral collapse since that at Ritter Island in 1888, and with more detailed
92 observations of both the collapse and the generated tsunami, the failure of Anak Krakatau (AK)
93 volcano, Indonesia, in December 2018 provides important new insights that advance our general
94 understanding of volcanic tsunamis. With remarkable prescience, Giachetti et al. (2012) modeled
95 a tsunami from a collapse of the SW flank of the Anak Krakatau volcano, similar to that of Dec.
96 28th 2018, using a hypothetical 0.28 km^3 volume. The resulting wave heights and arrival times
97 along surrounding coastlines foreshadowed the 2018 event.

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

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

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

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

123 An important aspect of our new modelling of the 2018 collapse and tsunami generation is
124 the use of the latest version of the three-dimensional non-hydrostatic model NHWAVE (Zhang et
125 al., 2021a,b). This model features effects of vertical accelerations, not just in the water (as in earlier
126 implementations) but also within the slide material itself. Our earlier modelling of the event had
127 neglected vertical acceleration (i.e., non-hydrostatic) effects within the slide layer (Grilli et al.,
128 2019); this was also the case in other modeling studies of this event that are detailed later. We
129 show that including these effects is important for an accurate simulation of both wave generation
130 from the collapse and the near-field runups. These new simulations are also performed at a much
131 higher resolution, owing in part to the new high-resolution bathymetric and topographic data from
132 our 2019 field survey and its subsequent analyses and reconciliations with the subaerial
133 observations (Hunt et al., 2021). Model results for both the near- and far-field tsunami generation,
134 propagation and coastal impact are validated against time series of sea surface elevation recorded
135 at tide-gauges in the Sunda Straits together with all published field observations and eyewitness
136 accounts to date of onland tsunami flow depth and runup, both on islands in close proximity to AK
137 (including the August 2019 authors' drone survey), and in the far-field on the coasts of Java and
138 Sumatra.

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

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

145

146 **2 Background and earlier modeling work**

147 *2.1. Geologic and volcanologic context*

148 AK (Fig. 1) is a composite volcanic cone that developed on the northeast margin of the 250 m deep
149 flooded caldera formed by the 1883 eruption of Krakatau (Figs. 2a,3a; Camus et al., 1987; Stehn,
150 1929). It developed from and so is aligned with the feeder vents of the 1883 Krakatau eruption
151 (Verbeek, 1885, 1983). During the past 90 years of frequent eruptive activity, AK has grown from
152 a submarine volcano to a subaerial edifice, emerging in 1929. With a pre-2018 collapse height
153 estimated at about 335 m (Grilli et al., 2019), it formed an island with a diameter of 1.5-2 km. On
154 the SW flank of AK, coastline retreats of several hundred meters in 1934, 1935 and 1949
155 (Neumann van Padang, 1983; Hunt et al., 2021) imply long-lived instability of the edifice on this
156 sector (Hunt et al., 2021). The NW-SE orientation of the retreats align with both the underlying
157 caldera-wall scarp and the 2018 collapse scar (Fig. 2a). The retreats are a result of two related
158 factors: i) AK's location on the NE margin of the 250-m deep 1883 caldera; and ii) the
159 asymmetrical pattern of island growth (see discussion in Hunt et al., 2021). The early submarine
160 activity of AK before and during first emergence of the island in 1929 was dominated by
161 phreatomagmatic explosions (Umbgrove 1928; Stehn 1929). Similar explosions continued after
162 first emergence and built-up a low-angle tuff cone around a vent to which the sea continued to gain
163 access until the 1960s. At that time the vent dried out and further subaerial eruptive activity
164 produced lava flows on the SW side of the island, and Vulcanian and Strombolian explosions that
165 built up a scoria cone around the vent (Siswamidjyojo, 1983). This activity continued into the 21st

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

175 The recent period of AK volcanic activity started in June 2018 and continued into
176 December (<https://volcano.si.edu/volcano.cfm?vn=262000>), producing Strombolian explosions,
177 lava flows, and ash plumes reaching altitudes of up to 5 km (Anon, 2018; Fig. 2 in Paris et al.,
178 2020a; Figs. S1c,d; Hunt et al.'s 2021 supplementary material). On Dec. 22, 2018, a major lateral
179 collapse occurred on AK's southwest flank which discharged volcanoclastic material into the sea
180 and triggered a destructive tsunami (Andersen, 2018; PVMBG, 2018). Based on seismic records
181 (Gurney, 2018), eyewitness reports (e.g., Andersen, 2018; Perttu et al., 2020), and the agreement
182 of modelled waves with tsunami arrival times at tide gauges (Ina-COAP, 2019; see below; Fig. 1a,
183 Table 3), Grilli et al. (2019) estimated that the collapse took place at 20:55'–57' (UTC + 7), a time
184 range later confirmed and used by other authors of numerical models (e.g., Borrero et al., 2020;
185 Mulia et al., 2020; Paris et al., 2020a; Zengaffinen et al., 2010), and confirmed in the interpretation
186 of seismic signals by Walter et al. (2019), who timed the collapse at 20:55'. Within 30 minutes of
187 the collapse a tsunami flooded the coasts of west Java and southeast Sumatra, causing up to 13.5
188 m on-land runups. The tsunami struck near high tide (+1.5 m above the vertical datum on average

189 at four tide gauge in Java and Sumatra; Fig. 1a), which increased its impact (AHA, 2018; Muhari,
190 2018, 2019; Grilli et al., 2019; TDMRC, 2019).

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192 *2.2. Previous modeling of the 2018 AK event*

193 In light of the modelling published by Giachetti et al. (2012), Grilli et al. (2019) performed
194 the first comprehensive numerical simulations of the Dec. 22nd 2018 AK collapse, based on
195 satellite observations on the days following the event, drone and field surveys of near-field tsunami
196 impact conducted in early January 2019 (Reynolds, 2019; TDMRC, 2019; Fig. S1), and historical
197 data on the growth of AK (see, e.g., Hunt et al., 2021). The modelling of AK's flank collapse and
198 tsunami generation was based on a range of failure surfaces with corresponding collapse volumes
199 of 0.22-0.30 km³ and used the three-dimensional (3D) non-hydrostatic (NH) model NHWAVE
200 (Ma et al., 2012, 2015; Kirby et al., 2016), in which the collapse was represented by a depth-
201 integrated (hydrostatic) layer of a granular material or dense viscous fluid. From the modelling it
202 was proposed that a 0.27 km³ collapse volume produced the modelled tsunami that best reproduced
203 the near- and far-field tsunami propagation and impact, with the far-field modeling using the fully
204 nonlinear and dispersive Boussinesq model FUNWAVE (Shi et al., 2012). In these simulations a
205 90 or 100 m Cartesian grid was used in each model, respectively, with 5 vertical layers in the 3D
206 NHWAVE grid.

207 Numerical simulations of the 2018 AK collapse and tsunami post-dating Grilli et al. (2019),
208 detailed in the following paragraphs, were also based on hypothetical source parameters derived
209 from a variety of, mainly indirect, data. In these studies, the various assumed/hypothetical failure
210 surfaces gave collapse volumes in the range ≈ 0.14 -0.33 km³, which were both smaller and larger
211 than the 0.27 km³ of Grilli et al.'s (2019). In Ye et al.'s (2020) study, inversion of broadband

212 seismic data was used to infer a collapse volume of $\approx 0.20 \text{ km}^3$. In some studies, an empirical
213 analytical or experimental (from laboratory tests) landslide source was specified directly on the
214 free surface without an actual modeling of the source (e.g., Heidarzadeh et al., 2020a; Borrero et
215 al., 2020). In other modeling studies, new interpretations of subaerial observations were used (see
216 Hunt et al., 2021 for a discussion) and the flank collapse and tsunami generation modeled for a
217 variety of volumes and geometries (e.g., Mulia et al., 2020; Ren et al., 2020; Omira and Ramalho,
218 2020; Paris et al., 2020a; Zengaffinen et al., 2020; Dogan et al., 2021). In the latter models, tsunami
219 generation was based on various rheologies (granular, viscoplastic, Bingham) and simulated using
220 a two-dimensional (2D) two-layer model. There were also important differences in tsunami
221 propagation models used in these various studies, with some using a dispersive model (e.g., Mulia
222 et al., 2020; Paris et al., 2020a; Borrero et al., 2020) and others using a non-dispersive tsunami
223 propagation model (e.g., Heidarzadeh et al., 2020a; Ren et al., 2020; Omira and Ramalho, 2020;
224 Dogan et al., 2021). As landslide tsunamis are typically made of shorter, more dispersive, wave
225 trains, they often require the use of a dispersive long wave model for their accurate modeling (e.g.,
226 Ma et al., 2012; Glimsdal et al., 2013; Tappin et al., 2014; Grilli et al. 2015, 2017; Schambach et
227 al., 2019). For the 2018 AK event, Paris et al. (2020a) concluded that dispersive effects were
228 important during tsunami generation and propagation, whereas Zengaffinen et al. (2020) found
229 that they were not large in the shallow water areas of the Sunda Straits (as would have been
230 expected), to the north and south of AK. More specifically:

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

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

- 244 • Paris et al. (2020a) used the 2D two-layer depth-averaged coupled model AVALANCHE,
245 which features a granular rheology and a Coulomb friction for the slide description, with
246 dispersive effects for the water flow part. From pre- and post-collapse satellite and aerial
247 images, and a satisfactory comparison of the simulated water waves with far-field observations
248 (tide gauges and field surveys), they reconstructed a total (subaerial and submarine) landslide
249 volume of 0.15 km^3 , at the lower end of the volume range in the various studies described here.
- 250 • Ren et al. (2020) applied a 2D two-layer depth-averaged coupled non-dispersive model
251 throughout, with the slide layer modeled as a dense fluid. Using two nested grids, the smaller
252 having a 30 m resolution and the larger a coarse 230 m resolution, and $0.1\text{-}0.3 \text{ km}^3$ collapse
253 scenarios, they showed a reasonable agreement with the first wave at the far-field tide gauges.
- 254 • Mulia et al. (2020) integrated the landslide thickness over the estimated source area and,
255 assuming a failure surface similar to that of Giachetti et al. (2012), except for a slightly steeper
256 slope, obtained a collapse volume of 0.24 km^3 (slightly smaller than that of Giachetti et al.,
257 2012, and Grilli et al., 2019). Using the 2D two-layer depth-averaged coupled model VolcFlow

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

263 • Omira and Ramalho (2020) used a multi-layer viscoplastic model to simulate the collapse, with
264 a 2D slide layer based on a Bingham rheology and an upper water layer in which the (non-
265 dispersive) Nonlinear Shallow Water Equations are solved. They simulated a sequence of two
266 failures (5 s apart) of 0.1 and 0.035 km³, respectively, and computed both the near- and far-
267 field tsunami propagation using the same model. They used high-resolution bathy/topo data
268 (see Table 1) to create a 10 m DEM, but it is unclear what their model resolution was. The
269 collapse generated a 45 m leading wave near the volcano, which caused up to 60 m runup on
270 nearby islands. Although they obtain a reasonable agreement at the 4 tide gauges for the leading
271 wave, they indicate strong tsunami dissipation in the far-field, only computing maximum
272 runups of 4 m in Java. This could result from their non-dispersive model and/or excessive
273 numerical dissipation and use of a coarse grid in the simulations.

274 • Finally, in the latest study to date, Dogan et al. (2021) modeled a 0.25 km³ collapse (based on
275 a maximum elevation for AK of only 260 m, smaller than used in other studies) and its tsunami
276 generation, using Imamura and Imteaz (1995)'s two-layer long wave model. Tsunami
277 propagation to the far-field was then simulated using the non-dispersive NSW model NAMI
278 DANCE, in an 80 m resolution grid. Little details are given of the parameterization of their
279 dense fluid rheology in the slide model or the rationale for defining the pre- and post-failure
280 volcano geometry, including the selected failure surface. However, they show a good

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

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

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

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

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

311

312 **3 Methods**

313 *3.1 Study area, computational grids, and bathymetric/topographic data*

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

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

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

327 The far-field grid G1 (Fig. 1a; Table 2) is Cartesian with a 50 m resolution and its
328 bathymetric and topographic data is interpolated from Giachetti et al. (2012)'s 100 m resolution
329 dataset, which was developed outside of Krakatau's caldera based on GEBCO data. The GEBCO
330 data is referred to mean sea level (MSL); GEBCO, however, indicates that in some shallow water
331 areas, their dataset includes data from sources having a vertical datum other than MSL. Note that
332 even though the bathymetric data is coarser than the model grid, using a finer model grid allows
333 for a more accurate resolution of the nearshore wave physics. Our model grid is also finer than the
334 90 m resolution used by Grilli et al. (2019).

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

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

355 *3.2 Landslide source model*

356 The landslide source model was defined on the pre-collapse bathymetry/topography grid G2
357 defined above, using constraints that drew on the post-collapse bathymetric survey of Hunt et al.
358 (2021), particularly to define the boundaries of the submarine failure surface, as well as an updated
359 interpretation of the subaerial failure plane. The latter was based on a sequence of Synthetic-
360 Aperture Radar (SAR) satellite images collected in the days following the collapse, alongside
361 aerial imagery collected on Dec. 23rd 2018. These images proved particularly important in defining
362 the northern and southern bounds of the subaerial collapse scar, since their position could be
363 precisely defined based on the complex coastal shape of the lava deltas. The COSMO-SkyMed
364 SAR imagery from Dec. 23rd 2018 confirms the shape of the failure scar between these two coastal
365 points (cf. Hunt et al., 2021) and was used to pick both the upper line of the headwall and the point
366 where this intersected sea-level (i.e. the 0-m contour; e.g., Figs. 2c,d). These two boundaries were
367 used to define the subaerial dimensions of the modeled landslide failure plane, and we thus
368 consider this component of the failure surface to be fixed in the range of source models described
369 below.

370 To address the limitations of the published tsunami source models of the collapse
371 mechanism and the landslide resulting from the 2018 AK flank collapse, as mentioned before,
372 MBES bathymetry and seismic data were acquired in the 250 m deep basin on the southwest flank
373 of the volcano in August 2019 (Hunt et al., 2021). From detailed analyses of this marine survey
374 data (Figs. 2a,b) these authors mapped the submarine landslide resulting from the volcanic collapse
375 and estimated the landslide outrun deposit volume at $0.214 \pm 0.036 \text{ km}^3$. Rather than being
376 extensively disintegrated, the submarine deposit is mainly composed of large intact blocks (Figs.
377 2a,b), confirming that the event occurred as a single *en masse* slide with limited fragmentation,
378 rather than in a more piecemeal, multi-staged process. This mechanism is also confirmed by
379 seismic data (Gurney, 2018). From these characteristics, while there were many large landslide
380 blocks in the deposits (up to hundreds of meters across), a granular slide rheology was deemed
381 more relevant in our subsequent modeling than a dense fluid rheology, which is more appropriate
382 for debris flows (although both were simulated for completeness). An additional unit, to the
383 southwest of this main deposit, with a volume of $0.022 \pm 0.006 \text{ km}^3$, was interpreted as a secondary
384 sediment failure (i.e., debris flow), resulting from sediment mobilized by the primary landslide
385 emplacement and seafloor incision (Hunt et al., 2021).

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

393 scenario (Figs. 2c,d), which has a shallower failure surface than that of Grilli et al. (2019) for their
394 minimum 0.22 km³ volume scenario. Using the features identified by Hunt et al. (2021), the
395 boundary of the submarine failure plane was estimated as a broadly elliptical form, and this
396 boundary was then projected onto our pre-collapse bathymetric grid. This was used to define a
397 smooth concave failure plane, constrained by the gradient of the subaerial scar and the requirement
398 to cut the vent position beneath sea-level, defining a minimum collapse volume of 0.175 km³.
399 Precise identification of the shape and margins of the failure surface is still uncertain because of
400 burial by post-collapse deposits. Additional features on the NW and S flank of AK, that align with
401 the subaerial margins of the scar, alongside deeper features on the SW flank (cf. Hunt et al., 2021),
402 may also relate to the collapse plane and were used by Hunt et al. (2021) to define a possible larger,
403 deeper-seated failure surface. Using the same approach as described above, the failure volume in
404 this largest possible scenario was estimated at 0.313 km³ (Figs. 2c,d). Both end-point collapse
405 volumes include the 0.098 km³ subaerial component.

406 Comparing the deposit volume, estimated purely from the MBES and seismic reflection
407 survey, to the failure volumes estimated based on the inferred failure surface and geometry, we
408 find good consistency. The main part of the landslide deposits form a blocky mass, identified in
409 the August 2019 MBES data (modeled a,b) and interpreted as representing material directly derived
410 from the island flanks, with a volume of 0.214 ± 0.036 km³. The estimated primary deposit volume
411 of 0.214 km³ lies between the two end-point failure-surface-derived volumes described above
412 (Figs. 2c,d). Given that the failed mass is likely to have expanded upon fragmentation, and is
413 potentially bulked via seafloor erosion, an increase in the volume of the landslide deposit,
414 compared to the volume derived from the shallowest estimated failure surface, could potentially
415 be accounted for by these phenomena. A further uncertainty arises from the possibility that some

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

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

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

439 scenarios have a maximum depth on the SW flank ranging from -80 to -220 m (Fig. 2d) and their
440 failure surfaces all cut the active vent position at depths ranging from 25 to 40 m, which is
441 consistent with the vigorous Surtseyan eruptive activity that immediately followed the collapse
442 (Hunt et al., 2021). Using the pre-collapse AK topography (maximum 335 m), refined based on
443 high-resolution satellite images (Novellino et al., 2020) and the assumed concave failure surfaces,
444 the volumes associated with the four scenarios were computed to: (1) 0.313; (2) 0.272; (3) 0.224;
445 and (4) 0.175 km³. The latter two compare closely with the deposit volume estimate, given
446 uncertainties and allowing for some degree of expansion and/or bulking by erosion, while the first
447 two scenarios are larger, but consistent with some bathymetric features and the possibility that
448 some of the failure mass remained within the collapse scar. The first scenario is close to the largest
449 volume originally simulated by Grilli et al. (2019), and the second is close to what they concluded
450 to be the likeliest scenario.

451 Among these scenarios, the third one, with a 0.224 km³ volume, is deemed the likeliest
452 volume scenario in the modeling, in terms of providing the best representation of the tsunamigenic
453 mass movement consistent with the marine geophysical data. Given that there remain uncertainties
454 in the precise form of the failure plane, the mean deposit volume of 0.214 km³ from Hunt et al.
455 (2021) is the best representation of the tsunamigenic mass (even if we cannot constrain the extent
456 of expansion and bulking) and, the 0.224 km³ volume also allows for the possibility of some
457 tsunamigenic contribution from the associated secondary debris flow. The post-collapse
458 bathymetry for the likeliest scenario (0.224 km³) is shown in Figs. 1c and 3b. Note that the latter
459 figure shows that, as expected, the specified failure surfaces are not planar but slightly concave.
460 This is a necessary shape given the relatively steep gradient (30-40 degrees) of the subaerial failure
461 plane (constrained from SAR imagery and consistent with the volcanic vent being cut beneath sea-

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

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465 3.3 *Tsunami generation and propagation simulations*

466 3.3.1 *Numerical tsunami models.*

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

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

485 Since the work of Grilli et al. (2019), a new version of NHWAVE has been developed
486 (Zhang et al., 2021a,b) that includes effects of vertical acceleration (i.e., non-hydrostatic pressures)
487 within the slide material layer, which was neglected in the earlier implementation (Ma et al., 2015).
488 Considering the steep slopes of both AK and the surrounding islands, it was anticipated that such
489 effects might be important. This was confirmed here by comparing, in Supplementary file #2,
490 simulations of the Grilli et al. (2019) preferred volume scenario (0.272 km³), with both granular
491 and viscous rheologies, and with and without the non-hydrostatic effects included in the equations
492 for the slide layers. Results for both rheologies showed that slide motion and wave generation are
493 significantly affected, with larger waves generated and much larger runups occurring on the near-
494 field islands, particularly Panjang and Sertung, when non-hydrostatic effects are neglected. When
495 comparing with near-field runup measured in field surveys, a much better agreement was obtained
496 with the newer version of the model that accounts for non-hydrostatic effects within the slide layer.
497 For these reasons, this newer version of NHWAVE by Zhang et al. (2021a,b) was used in the
498 present study.

499 FUNWAVE-TVD (Shi et al., 2012; version 3.0 is used), a two-dimensional (2D) fully
500 nonlinear Boussinesq wave model, is used to simulate far-field tsunami propagation and coastal
501 impact in Cartesian Grid G1 with a 50 m resolution and 3,900 by 3,680 cells (Fig. 1a; Table 2); a
502 Cartesian rather than a spherical grid is acceptable in view of the small geographic area considered
503 here. To improve dispersive properties, the horizontal velocity used in this Boussinesq model is
504 that at a depth $z = -0.531 h$. To prevent reflections from the open boundaries of grid G1 (Fig. 1a),
505 10.8 km (or 216 grid cells) wide sponge layers are specified along its 4 boundaries.

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

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

517 3.3.2 Modeling methodology.

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

526 In NHWAVE simulations, for each of the four specified collapse surfaces and volumes
527 (Figs. 2c,d), we use the same parameterization of the slide rheology as in Grilli et al. (2019), i.e.:
528 (i) a Newtonian fluid of density $\rho_c = 1,550 \text{ kg/m}^3$ and the kinematic viscosity of a debris flow, ν_c
529 $= 0.5 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$; or (ii) a granular medium with $\rho_c = 1,900 \text{ kg/m}^3$ for the solid part and, similar to
530 Giachetti et al. (2012), an internal friction angle $\phi_{ic} = 10^\circ$, a basal friction angle $\phi_{bc} = 2^\circ$, and a 40%

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

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

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549 3.4 *Tsunami field survey data*

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

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

562 Additionally, as in Grilli et al. (2019) and all other modeling studies, time series of surface
563 elevations simulated for each scenario are compared with detided free surface elevations measured
564 at 4 tide gauges located at (Fig. 1a; Table 3): (5) Serang, Marina Jambu, (6) Ciwandan, (8) Kota-
565 Angung, and (9) Panjang. Grilli et al.'s (2019) Supplementary file #3 explains how the raw data,
566 measured at a 1 minute interval, was detided to obtain the tsunami signal (their Fig. S5) and shows
567 where each tide gauge was located (their Fig. S4), pointing out that each gauge is surrounded by
568 some reflective (or dissipative) coastal structures, not represented in the model grids, that can affect
569 tsunami signal in various ways (including seiching). Table 3 provides the location of each tide
570 gauge, its depth in grid G1 and the arrival time of both a 1 cm tsunami elevation and the first
571 significant wave crest. Fig. 10 shows the complete (detided) tsunami time series measured at each
572 gauge by two different independent instruments operating at each gauge (see details in Grilli et al.,
573 2019); there are some differences (sometimes large) between the measurements of the two
574 instruments at each gauge, which allows quantifying experimental errors. The individual data
575 points in the time series illustrate the coarse 1 minute temporal resolution of the measured signal.
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577 4 Tsunami simulation results

578 4.1 Slide motion and deposits

579 Results of combined NHWAVE-FUNWAVE simulations in Grids G2 and G1 of the 4
580 volume scenarios ((1) 0.313; (2) 0.272; (3) 0.224; and (4) 0.175 km³), each with either a granular
581 or viscous rheology (scenarios 1-8 in Table 4), are discussed hereafter.

582 Figures 4 and 5 show examples of slide motion and free surface elevations simulated with
583 NHWAVE. Fig. 4 first compares results in a vertical plane along a SW transect into AK, for the
584 likeliest volume scenario (0.224 km³), using either a granular or viscous rheology. We see that the
585 change in rheology only moderately affects slide deformation for small times ($t < 80$ s), and hence
586 corresponding wave generation, but that differences in slide runout are much larger later in time (t
587 ≥ 120 s), although this stage of motion is no longer tsunamigenic as the slide deposits are too deep.
588 At $t = 200$ s (Fig. 4h) the granular slide deposits have nearly stopped and have mostly accumulated
589 in the caldera, reaching up to a 94 m thickness at the toe of AK's failure surface, whereas the
590 viscous slide deposits have moved further onto the caldera bottom and are still moving. While the
591 granular slide deposits appear to be located in the general area where the actual deposits were
592 mapped during the August 2019 marine survey (Figs. 2b,c) (Hunt et al., 2021), the viscous slide
593 deposits have moved beyond this area; hence simulations based on the granular rheology appear
594 to be more consistent with field data than those with the viscous rheology. This is confirmed in
595 Fig. 5, which shows greater details of the 3D granular slide motion and deposits for the same
596 volume scenario. Here in the last panel at $t = 420$ s (Fig. 5h), we see more clearly where the main
597 slide deposits are located (i.e., their runout) and how thick they are (up to 94 m) at the end of the
598 motion, which is consistent with observations of slide deposits from the marine geophysical survey
599 (Hunt et al., 2021) (compare Fig. 5h with Fig. 2a). In view of the modeled slide idealization by a

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

611 Videos of computed slide motions with and without surface elevation, and for a granular
612 material or a viscous slide are given in supplementary material for the likeliest volume scenario
613 (0.224 km^3); see, AK_slide3D_gran.mp4, AK_slide3D_visc.mp4, AK_wave_slide3D_gran.mp4,
614 AK_wave_slide3D_visc.mp4.

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616 *4.2 Near-field tsunami generation*

617 Figures 4 and 7 show snapshots of free surface elevation at times $t = 10, 20, 40, 80, 120,$
618 $160, 200,$ and 380 s , computed for the likeliest volume scenario and a granular or viscous rheology,
619 and Fig. 6 compares time series of surface elevation computed at the 5 numerical wave gauges
620 (Fig. 1b; Table 3) specified in grid G2, for the 8 modeled scenarios (4 volumes and 2 rheologies,
621 scenarios 1-8 in Table 4). Other snapshots of surface elevations for scenarios not shown here look

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

624 Results in Figs. 4 and 7 show that, in the first 20 s of AK's collapse, a large-scale subaerial
625 slide motion occurs down the volcano, triggering a 50+ m horseshoe-shaped leading elevation
626 wave. From 20-80 s, as the slide moves mostly underwater (for all 4 volume scenarios), an up to
627 30+ m trough (negative elevation wave) forms near the volcano on the SW side, while the leading
628 elevation wave radiates as a cylindrical crest of decreasing height. Figure 6a shows that these
629 processes are well captured at WG 1, which is located directly SW of AK (Fig. 1b; Table 3); at
630 this site, depending on the scenario, a 25-33 m leading elevation wave arrives at $t \approx 60$ s, followed
631 by a 0-10 m trough. At WG 2 and 3, further NW and SW of the volcano, Figs. 6b,c show that, later
632 in time ($t \approx 175$ s), the large elevation wave and its trough (first depression wave) have essentially
633 propagated radially, with only a small decrease in the crest height. The propagation of the
634 horseshoe-shaped leading elevation and first depression waves, with their gradual directional
635 spreading and reduction in elevation, are clearly seen in Figs. 7c to 7h. As these waves propagate
636 away from AK, however, for $t > 80$ s (Fig. 7d), they start interacting with and running up both the
637 N shore of Rakata and S shore of Sertung, causing very large runups.

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

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

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

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

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666 *4.3 Far-field wave propagation and coastal impact on Java and Sumatra*

667 For each of the 8 scenarios, FUNWAVE simulations were initialized with results of NHWAVE in
668 Grid G2 at 380 s (Fig. 7h), interpolated onto Grid G1, and tsunami propagation and coastal impact
669 were simulated up to $t = 7,580$ s from the start of the event. Figures 9a-c show snapshots of surface
670 elevation computed with FUNWAVE for the likeliest volume scenario (0.224 km^3) and granular
671 rheology at $t = 380, 1800$ and 3600 s. Results for the other scenarios are qualitatively similar. After
672 30 minutes, Fig. 9b shows that leading tsunami waves have started impacting the SW coast of
673 Java, around the Kolijaah and Panaitan Island areas (Fig. 1a), are impacting the south facing coast
674 of Sebesi (Fig. 1a), and are about to impact the coastlines at Ujung Kulon and Serang, Marina
675 Jambu (tide gauge (WG) 5; Fig. 1a and Table 3). To the north of the grid, leading waves are also
676 impacting the SE tip of Sumatra; waves are also propagating in the direction of tide gauges (WG)
677 6-9 (Fig. 1a; Table 3). After 1 hour of tsunami propagation, Fig. 9c shows a complex pattern of
678 waves in the Sunda Straits, as a result of diffraction-refraction around islands and reflection off
679 the coasts, which justifies performing simulations for a long enough time to capture maximum
680 runup at all locations within Grid G1.

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

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

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

709 Comparing numerical simulations to tide gauge data, Fig. 10 shows, overall, a good
710 agreement for any scenario, particularly earlier in the time series and more so for WG 6-8 (Figs.
711 10a-c). As summarized in Table 3, arrival times of the leading crest at each gauge are predicted to
712 within 15–78 s of observations. Considering the 1 minute data sampling interval of the gauges,

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

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

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728 4.4 *Near-field runups*

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

736 (2019) was able to conduct a drone survey of AK and the islands of Rakata, Sertung and Panjang
737 (e.g., Fig. S1f and supplementary 4 in Grilli et al., 2019), that confirmed AK's coastline changes
738 inferred from SAR images. Arguably more important was their documentation of the large runups
739 the tsunami caused on the island of Rakata, Sertung and Panjang. Based on these images, Grilli et
740 al. (2019) estimated that 50+ m runups occurred on Rakata's N shore and Sertung's S shore.
741 Subsequent field surveys in 02/2019 by Borrero et al. (2020) and August 2019 by the authors
742 confirmed and quantified these early observations of near-field tsunami impact, and provided geo-
743 localized runup values reaching 80-85+ m on both islands (Fig. 11), with additional data on
744 Panjang. However, because Panjang was positioned downwind of AK, extensive ashfall-driven
745 vegetation damage, combined with the steep cliffs on the W coast (see white line in Fig. 11b) made
746 the runup line on Panjang difficult to unambiguously identify. Finally, Borrero et al. (2020) also
747 measured runup on Sebesi island, north of Panjang, which we also consider to be part of the near-
748 field tsunami impact (Fig. 1a).

749 For the likeliest collapse volume scenario, with granular material, Figures 12a-c show
750 zoom-ins of the maximum envelope of surface elevation computed with NHWAVE (Fig. 8) onto
751 the NW shore of Rakata, SW shore of Sertung and S shore of Panjang, and Fig. 12d shows a zoom-
752 in on Sebesi of the maximum envelope of surface elevation computed with FUNWAVE for the
753 same scenario (Fig. 9d). The location of our August 2019 drone tree line survey is marked on Figs.
754 12a,b, and the location of four runups/flow depth measurements made on Sebesi by Borrero et al.
755 (2019) are marked on Fig. 12d (7.5, 9, 2.8, 2.5 m from W to E, respectively); the latter values are
756 consistent with those we estimated during our August 2019 survey of Sebesi, in part based on
757 interviewing eyewitnesses. On both Rakata and Sertung (Figs. 12a,b), our predicted runup line
758 touches or goes over the 50 m contour and parallels the drone survey quite well, except at its

759 highest points; those however occur on steep, nearly vertical, cliff faces (Figs. 11a,c) that are not
760 well resolved with a 30 m horizontal grid. On Panjang, in Fig. 12c, our results show runups of 25-
761 30 m on the island's SW tip, tapering to 8-10 m on the NW part of the western shore; the latter
762 values match those reported by Borrero et al. (2020), who could not make a precise survey due to
763 the difficulty in accessing the island, which is faced by steep cliffs on much of its western side
764 (Fig. 11b). In Fig. 12d, our model results show a close agreement with the 4 measured runups on
765 Sebesi's S and SE shore.

766 Figure 13 details the near-field runups computed on the 3 islands for the 8 modeled
767 scenarios (4 volumes and 2 rheologies), compared to available runup measurements and our drone
768 surveys. Overall, on Rakata and Sertung (Figs 13a,b), although all scenarios fare quite well, the
769 likeliest volume scenario with a granular rheology appears to best match the quantitative field data,
770 as well as images from the 01/11/2019 and Borrero's et al.'s (2020) 02/2019 field survey (Figs.
771 11d,e) of these islands. On Panjang (Fig. 13c), all our model results are below our tree line drone
772 survey (Fig. 11b) but, again, this was done along a nearly vertical cliff face, a location where it
773 was difficult to estimate the runup line precisely and which is not well-discretized in our model
774 grid; hence, there is large uncertainty on both these runup measurements and their model
775 simulation. We note that all scenarios predict an 8 m runup on the NW side of the island as was
776 reported by Borrero et al. (2020).

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778 *4.5 Far-field runups*

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

782 modeling. However, field surveys were also later performed by Muhari et al. (2019), Putra et al.
783 (2020), Borrero et al. (2020), and Heidarzadeh et al. (2020b). Figures 14 to 16 compare model
784 results obtained for the likeliest collapse scenario (granular rheology) with this data which, to our
785 knowledge, is all such data available to date.

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

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

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

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

827 105.6348 E), of which Fig. 16c shows a picture of the damage taken by Fritz et al. (2019) during
828 their 02/2019 survey.

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830 **5 Discussion and conclusions.**

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

840 Based on our improved knowledge/understanding of subaerial and submarine data, from
841 which we better constrained the geometry and magnitude of the landslide mechanism, we also
842 improved on previous interpretations of the primary landslide scar, which bisected the Anak
843 Krakatau edifice, cutting behind the central vent and removing 50% of its subaerial volume. The
844 combined subaerial and marine datasets presented in Hunt et al. (2021) are used to provide a better
845 validated estimate of the landslide failure volume. From this, the failure volume is estimated to lie
846 within a range of 0.175 to 0.313 km³, spanning the independently estimated deposit volume of
847 0.214 km³. Given uncertainties in the precise form of the failure plane, the likeliest failure volume
848 of 0.224 km³ is defined based on the submarine blocky deposit volume, mapped in the deep basin
849 to the SW of AK (0.214 ± 0.036 km³) and allowing for an additional contribution from a much

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

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

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

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

875 Despite an observed moderate sensitivity of tsunami impact to the range of modeled
876 landslide sources, particularly in the far-field, the granular rheology appears to yield slide deposits
877 in better agreement with the marine deposits mapped in the 2019 survey (both location and
878 thickness) than those from the dense fluid rheology. Additionally, near-field runups are also better
879 predicted using a granular rheology. Regarding the collapse volume, the likeliest value inferred
880 from the 2019 field survey, together with a refined analysis of satellite images, is 0.224 km³
881 (referred to in this paper as the likeliest scenario), which appears to provide the overall best
882 agreement with the near-field runup measurements, as well as the far-field data. Hence, while the
883 volume is harder to constrain using far-field data, we conclude that tsunami modeling supports the
884 likeliest scenario inferred from the 2019 marine geology survey, although the constraint is weaker
885 than for the rheology.

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

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

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

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911 **Data sharing**

912 A shared Google Drive folder containing all the NHWAVE and FUNWAVE model input data as
913 well as all raw results generated for the simulations of the 2018 AK collapse and tsunami reported
914 in this paper is accessible at: [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-60PsB3Zj-
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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 ³ (likeliest 0.27 km ³)
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 ³ 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 ³
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 ³ based on Grilli et al. (2019)
Mulia et al. (2020)	VolcFlow: 2D two-layer water/slide coupled model simulating slide 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 ³ 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 ³ volume (empirical). Best fit with observations: 0.175 km ³ 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 ³ 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 ³ 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 σ (vert.)	-6.2357°, 105.2916°

1197 **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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1199 **Table 3:** Parameters of numerical wave gauges (WG) 1-9 (Figs. 1a,b): Lat-Lon, depth (in grids G1

1200 (6-9) and G2 (1-5), assuming a MWL = MSL + 1.5 m, corresponding to the estimated average tide

1201 elevation at the time of the event), and arrival time (1 cm elevation or first main crest),

1202 measured/simulated range for 8 scenarios (Figs. 6,7; scenarios 1-8 in Table 4). WG 1-5 have no

1203 measured time (Fig. 6), but WG 6-9 are collocated with Tide Gauges (Fig. 10) at: (5) Serang,

1204 Marina Jambu, (6) Ciwandan, (8) Kota-Angung, (9) Panjang. In simulations, the AK collapse is

1205 assumed to take place at 20:57' local time (UTC + 7). Simulated crest arrival times at 9 WG for 8

1206 scenarios are within 2-18 s. Simulated differences in crest arrival time at tide gauges are 15-78 s,

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No.	Landslide rheology	Collapse Volume. (km ³)	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

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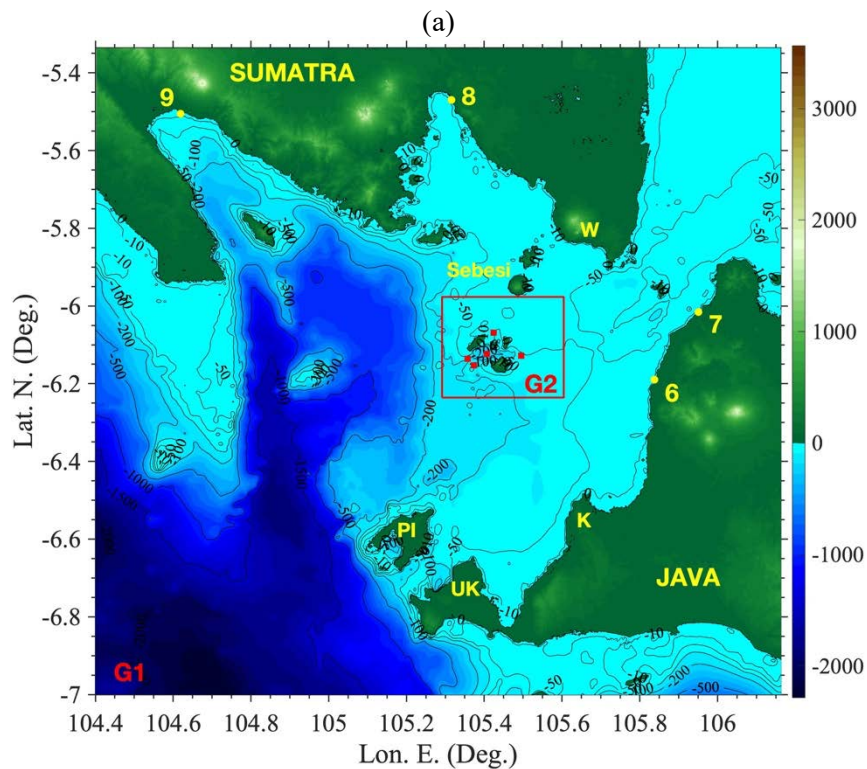
1212 **Table 4:** Description of Anak’s collapse scenarios simulated in the near-field with NHWAVE, each for
1213 420 s (Figs 3-8; see Table 5 for rheology parameters). For each scenario, FUNWAVE is initialized with
1214 NHWAVE results at 380 s, and simulations are performed fin the far-field or an additional 2 h (Figs. 9,
1215 10); MSL and MWL denote the mean sea level and mean water level, respectively. Scenarios 1-8 are the
1216 main collapse scenarios simulated and discussed in the paper, whereas scenarios 9-11 are additional
1217 simulations performed as part of the sensitivity analysis of model results to MWL detailed in
1218 Supplementary file #S3. Scenarios 3, 7, 9-11 correspond to the likeliest collapse volume of 0.224 km³.
1219 Scenario 3, with the granular rheology, is deemed our likeliest collapse scenario.

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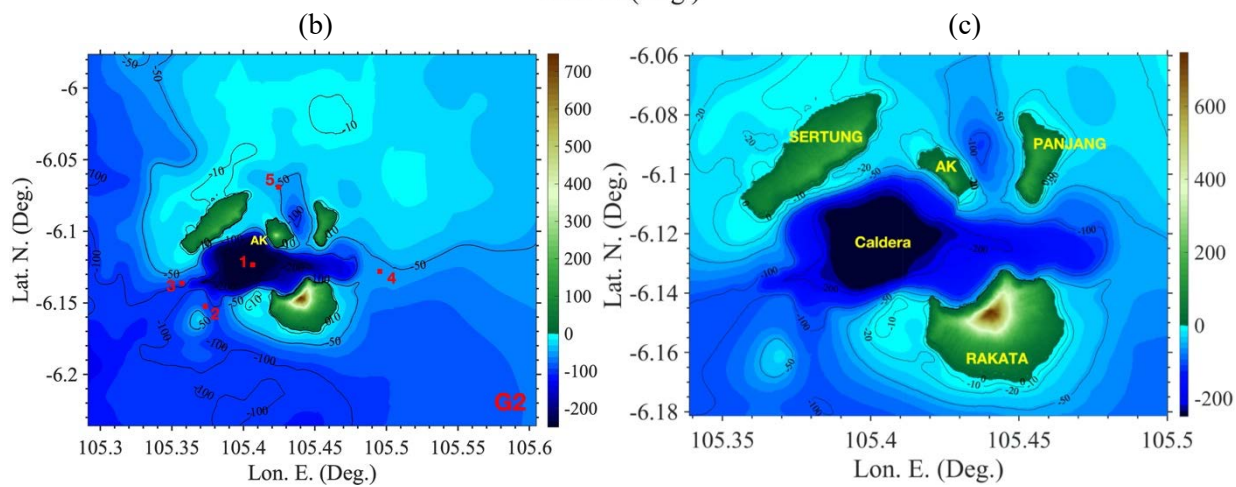
Granular collapse rheology			
Granular medium density	ρ_c	1,900	kg/m ³
Granular bulk density	ρ_{ac}	1,550	kg/m ³
Internal friction angle	ϕ_{ic}	10	°
Basal friction angle	ϕ_{bc}	2	°
Viscous collapse rheology			
Viscous fluid density	ρ_c	1,550	kg/m ³
Viscous fluid kinematic viscosity	ν_c	0.5	m ² /s

1221 **Table 5:** Parameters of granular landslide and viscous landslide collapse scenarios simulated with
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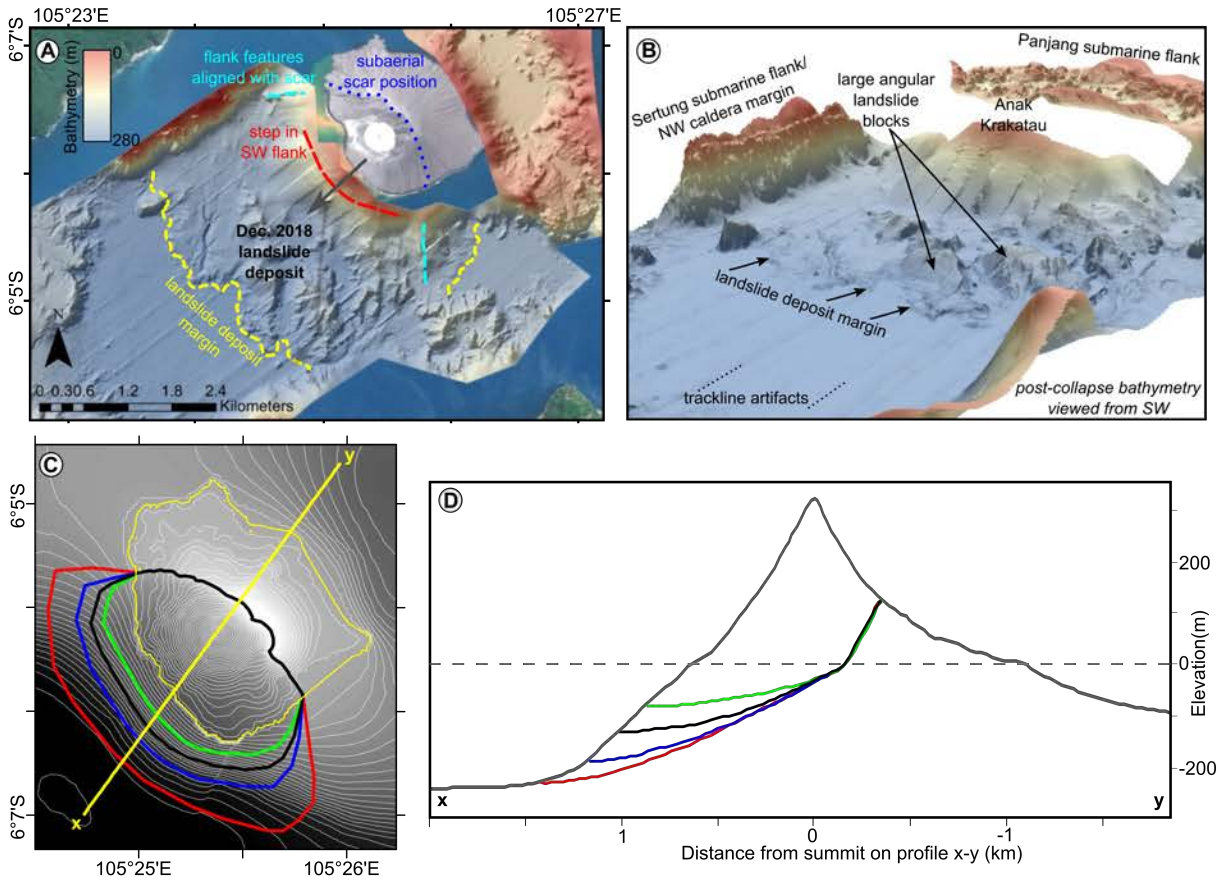


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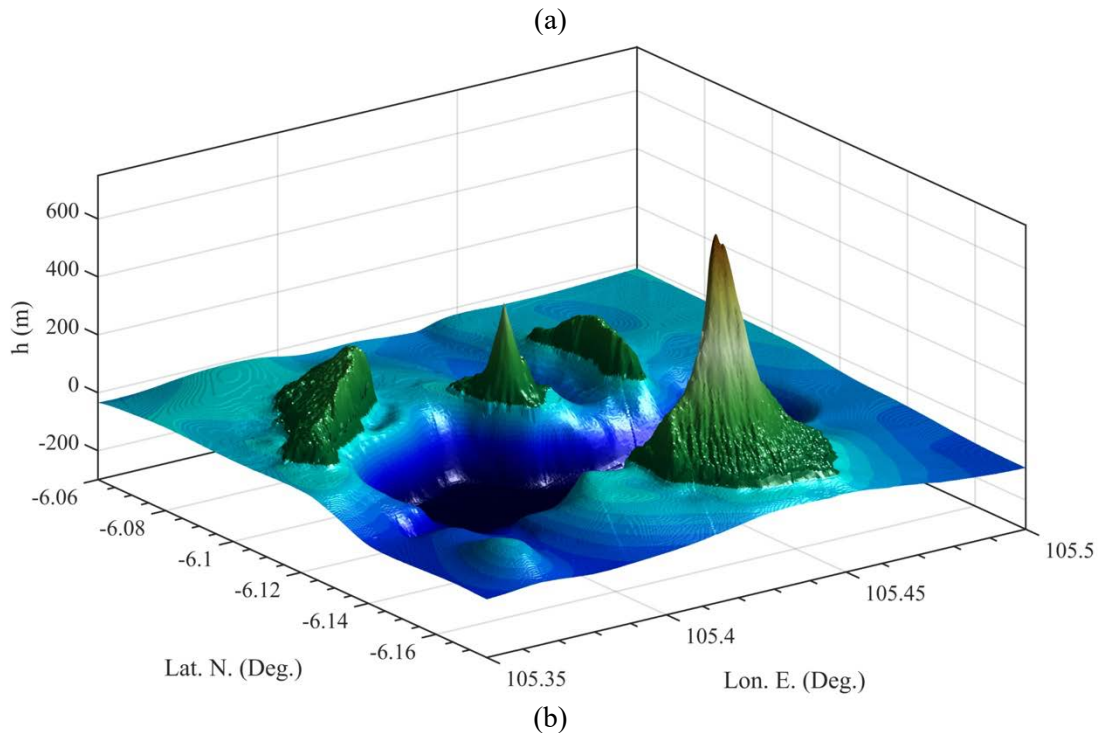
1227 **Figure 1:** (a) Study area covered by 2D FUNWAVE 50 m Cartesian grid G1; (b) zoom-in onto 3D
 1228 NHWAVE 30 m Cartesian grid G2 (red box in (a)), with 7 vertical σ layers, encompassing Anak-
 1229 Krakatau (AK) and its surrounding islands (Rakata, Sertung, Panjang). Numbered symbols mark locations
 1230 of numerical wave gauges (6-9 are collocated with tide gauges). Black contours and color scale is (a,b)
 1231 pre- and (c) post-collapse (likeliest scenario) bathymetry/topography in meter, including an observed +1.5
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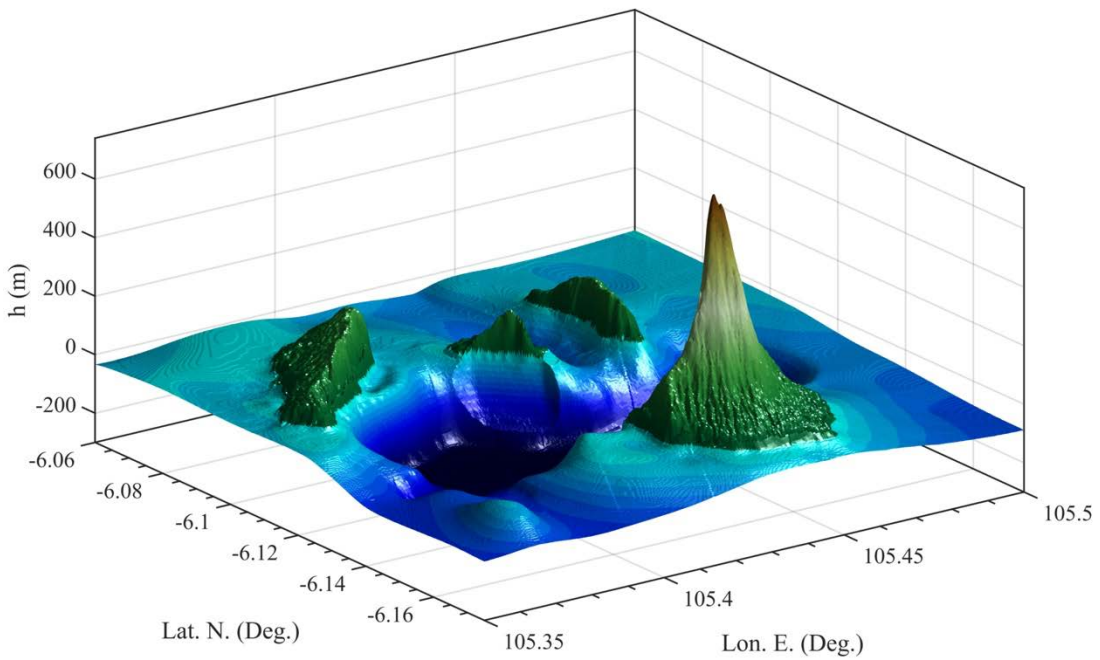
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Figure 2: (a,b) Post-collapse bathymetry/topography of AK and surrounding islands (Fig 1) from August 2019 survey's seismic reflection profiles (Hunt et al., 2021), showing AK's subaerial scar and submarine landslide deposits; the rendering in panel (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 km³. 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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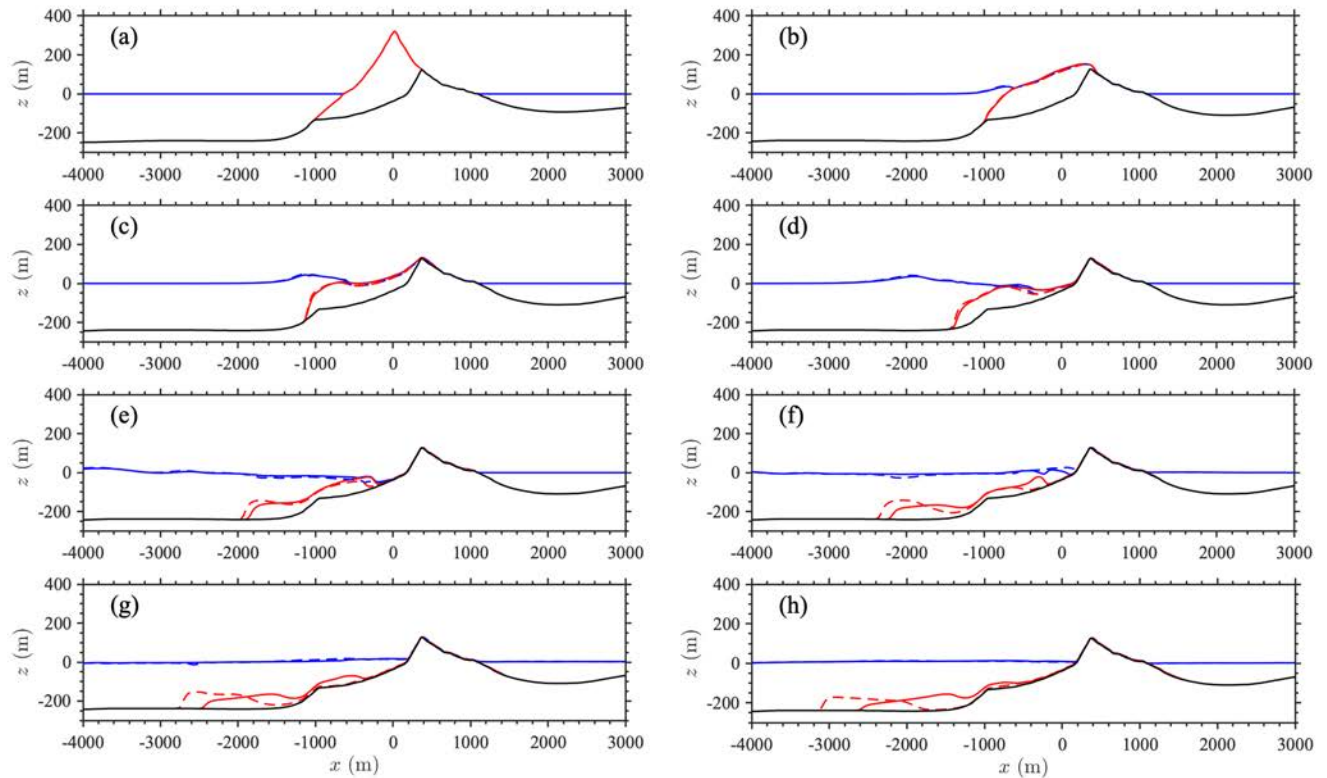
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based on available pre-event data outside of Krakatau islands and August 2019 field survey data (see Fig.

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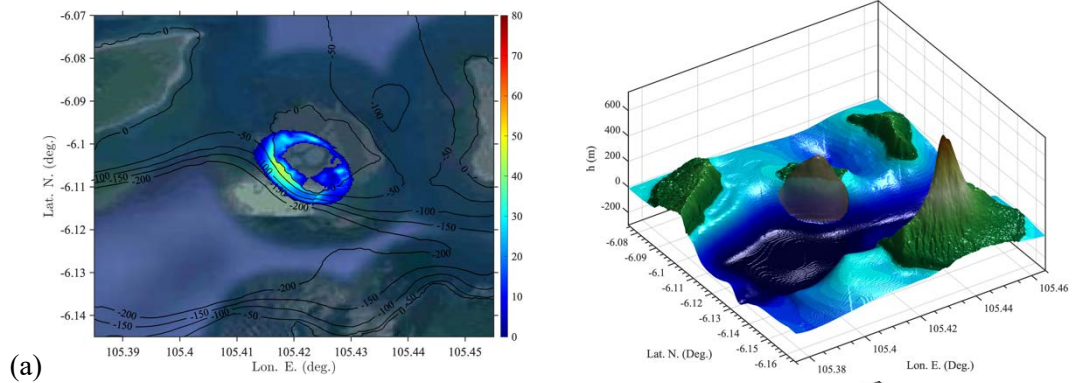
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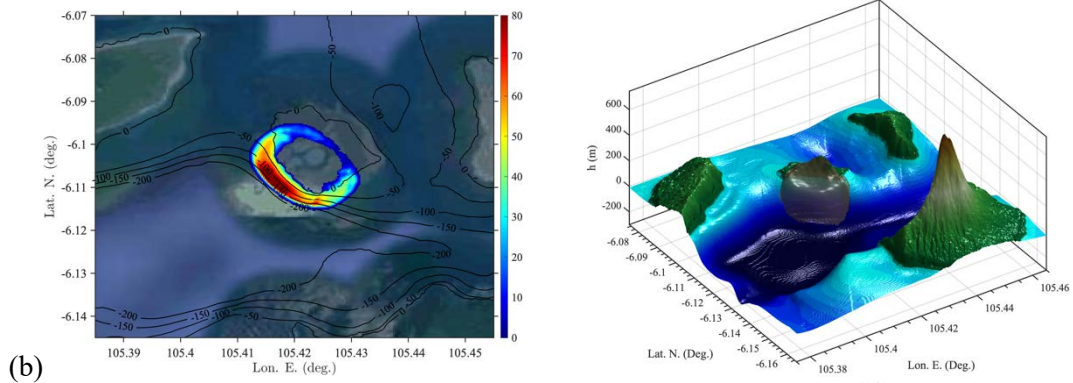
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Figure 4: Simulation of likeliest AK collapse volume scenarios (with 0.224 km^3 ; #3 and 7 in Table 4) with NHWAVE in Grid G2 (Fig. 1) with a granular (solid; #3) or viscous (dashed; #7) rheology. Sub-panels show SW (225 deg. to north; Fig. 2) transects 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.

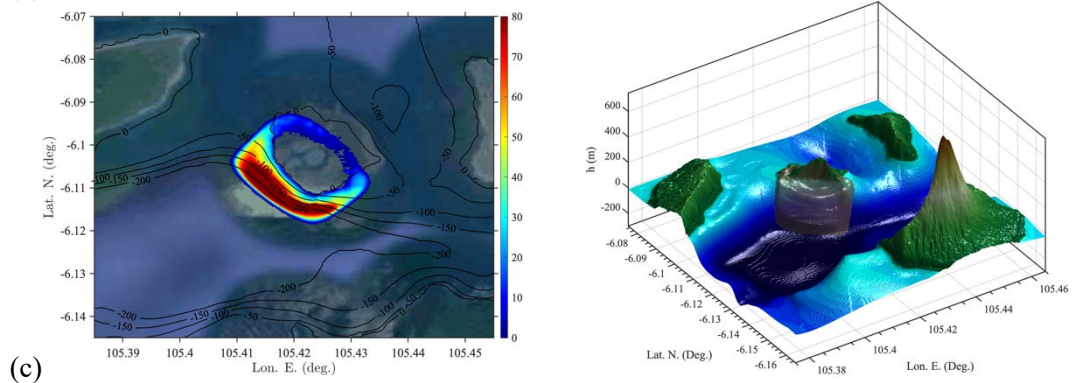
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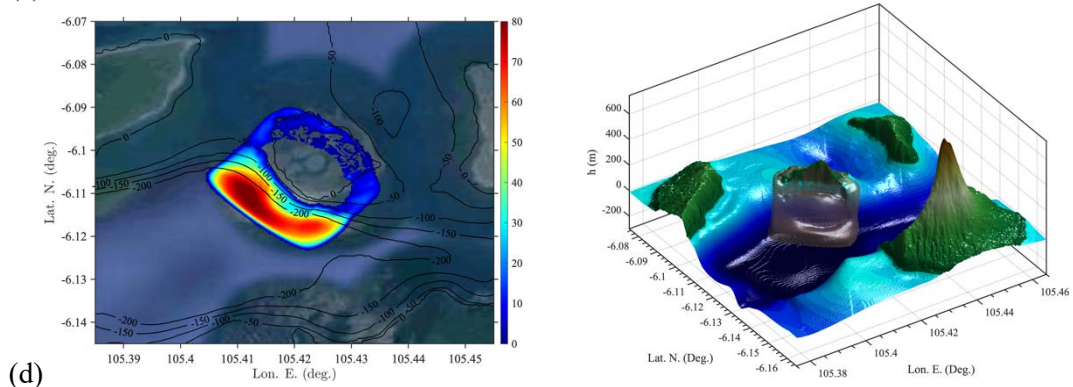
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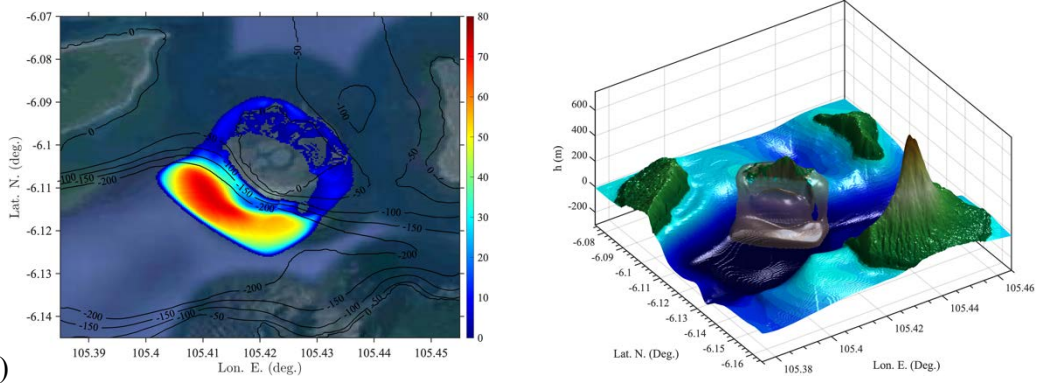
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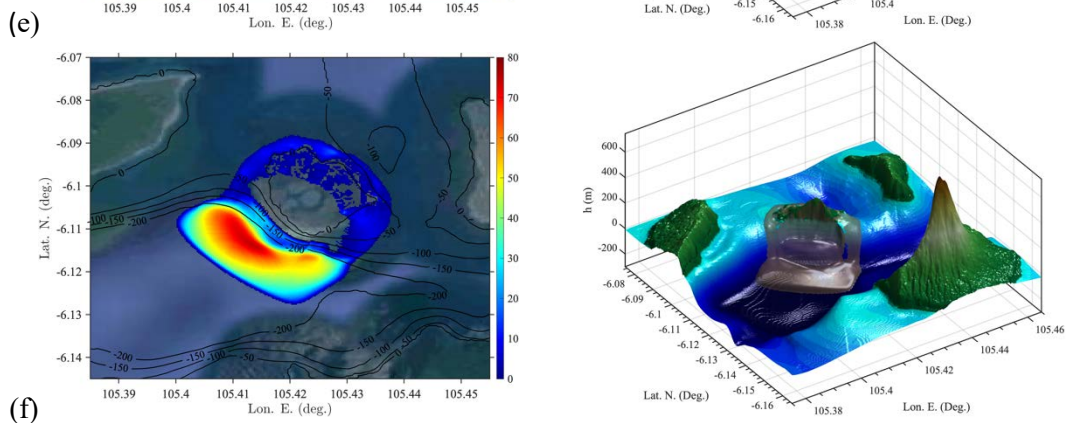
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Figure 5: Snapshots of slide motion for granular case of Fig. 4 (#3 in Table 4), at $t =$ (a) 10, (b) 20, (c) 40, (d) 80, (e) 120, (f) 160, (g) 200, and (h) 380 s. Color scale is slide thickness in meter. Contours are depth in meter.

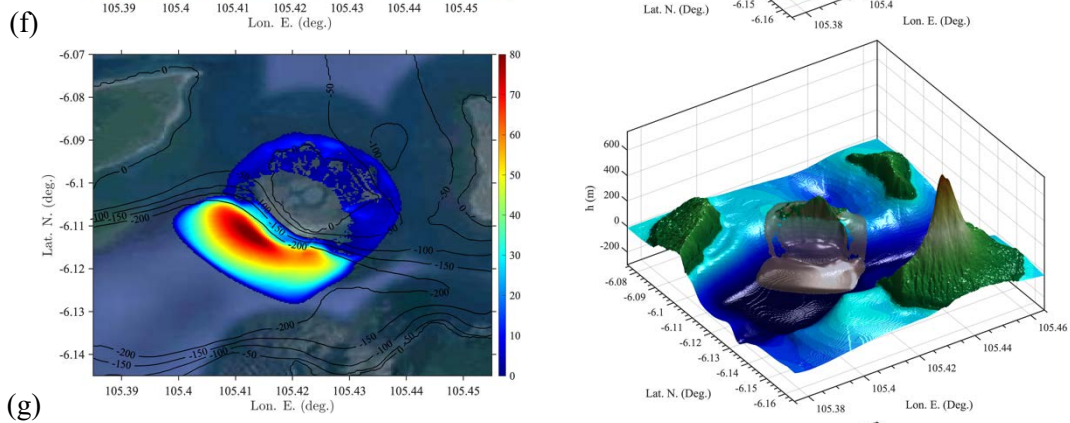
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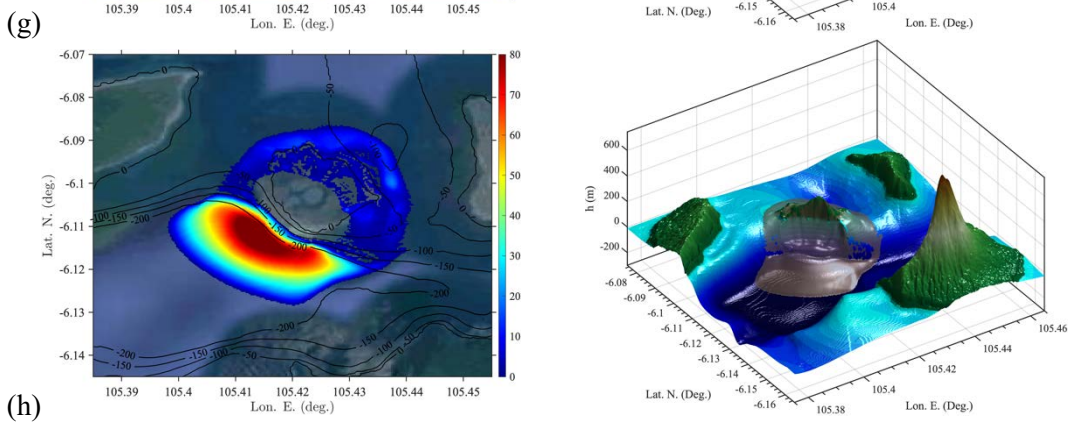
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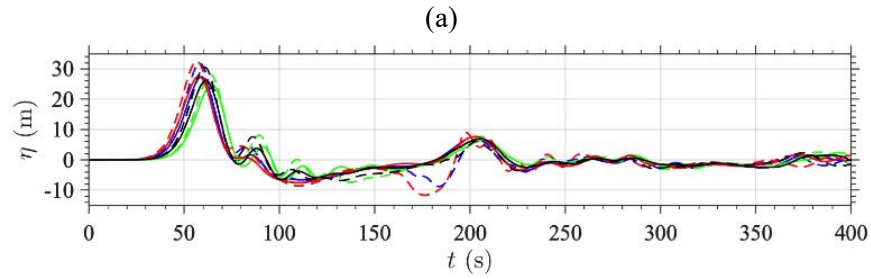
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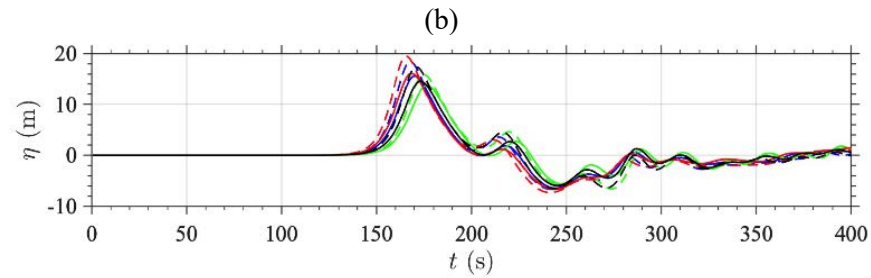
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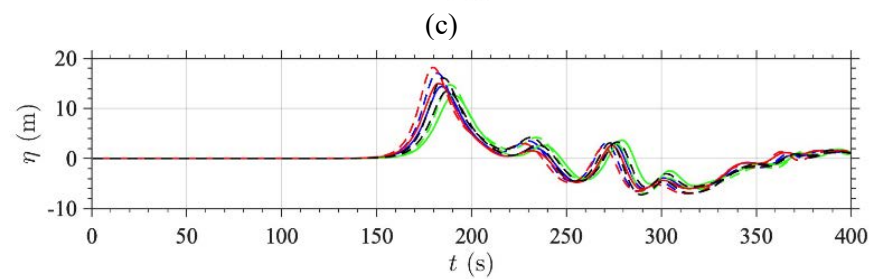
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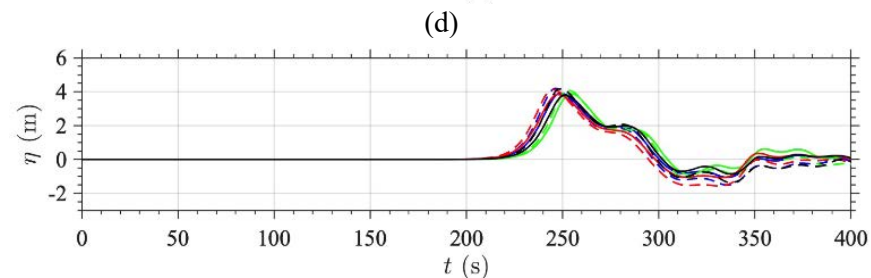
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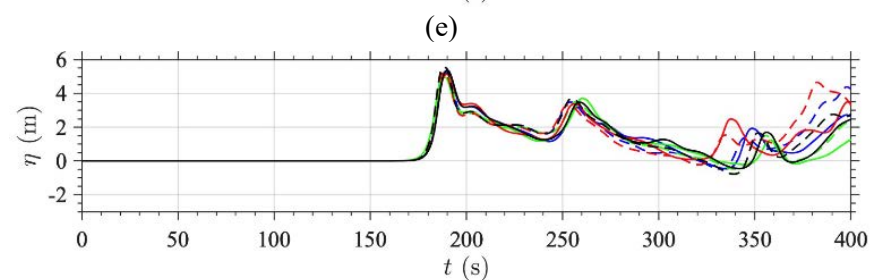
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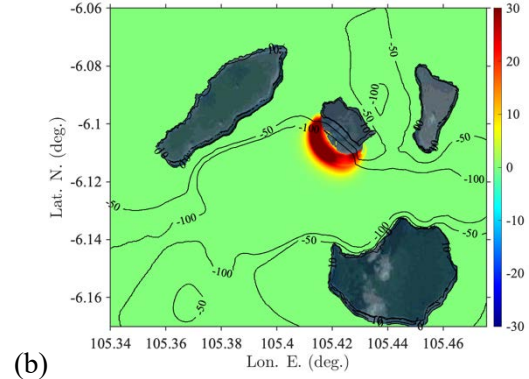
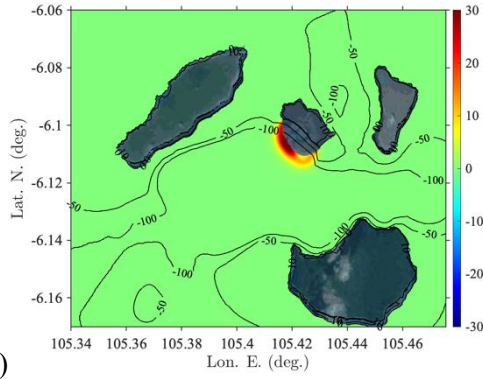
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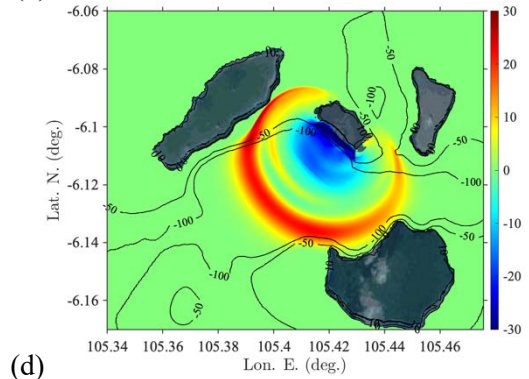
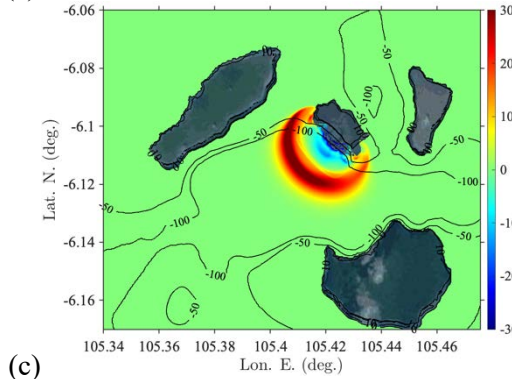
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Figure 6: Time series of surface elevations computed at numerical wave gauges (WG) 1-5 (a-e; Fig. 1b) with NHWAVE in Grid G2 (Fig. 1), for 8 AK collapse scenarios (#1-8 in Table 4), with a granular (solid) or viscous (dashed) rheology, and volume (Figs. 2c,d): (—/---) 0.313; (—/---) 0.272; (—/---) 0.224 (likeliest scenario; see Figs. 1c and 3b); (—/---) 0.175 km³. 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).

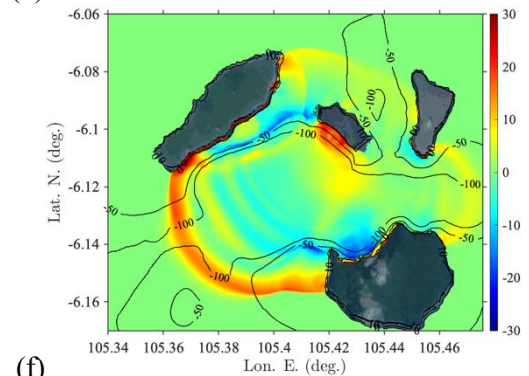
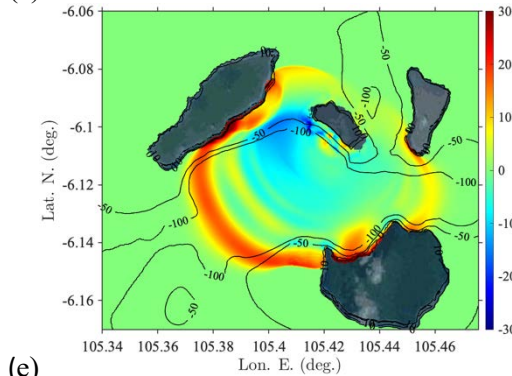
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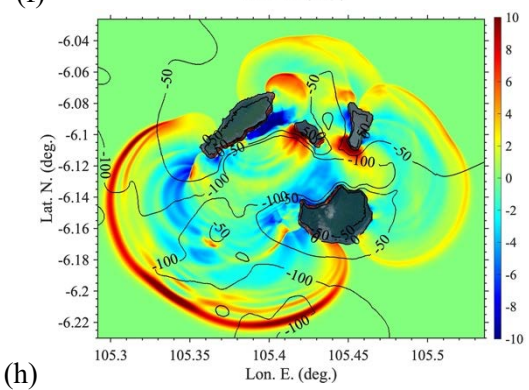
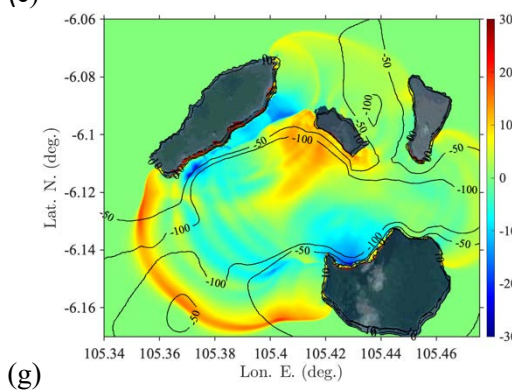
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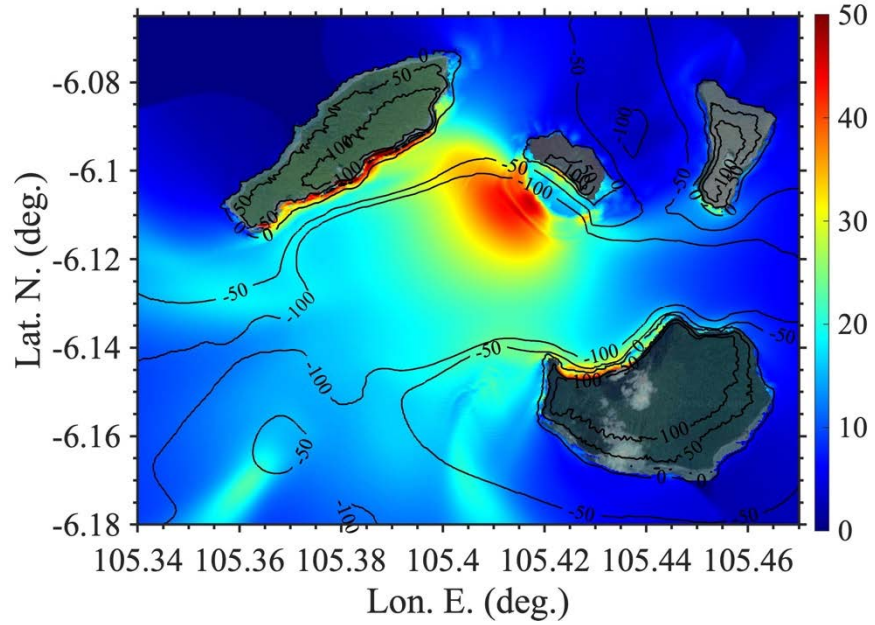
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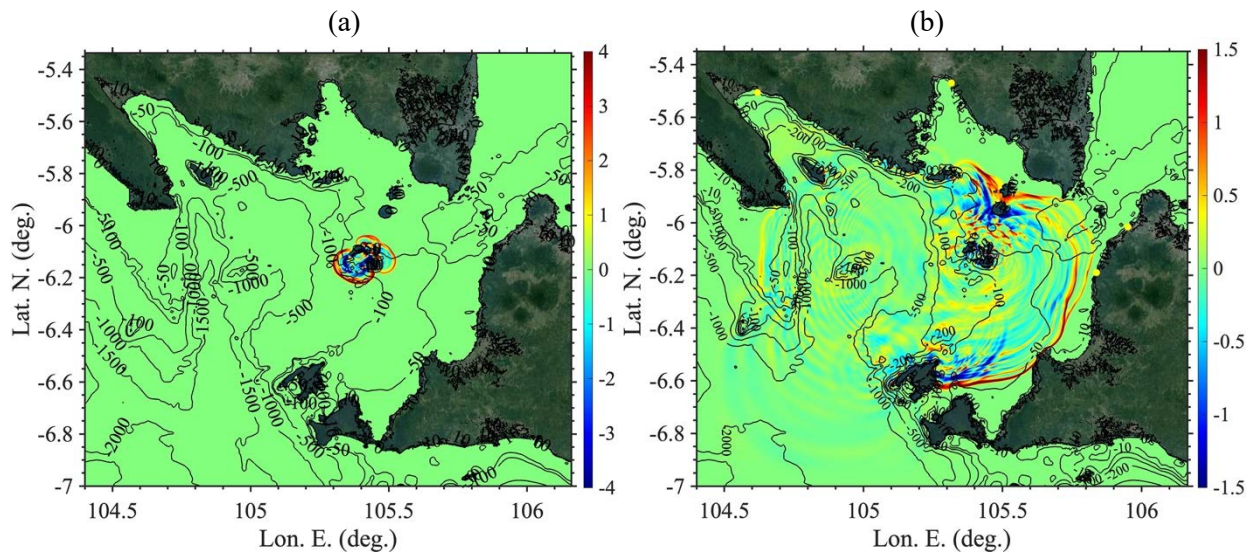
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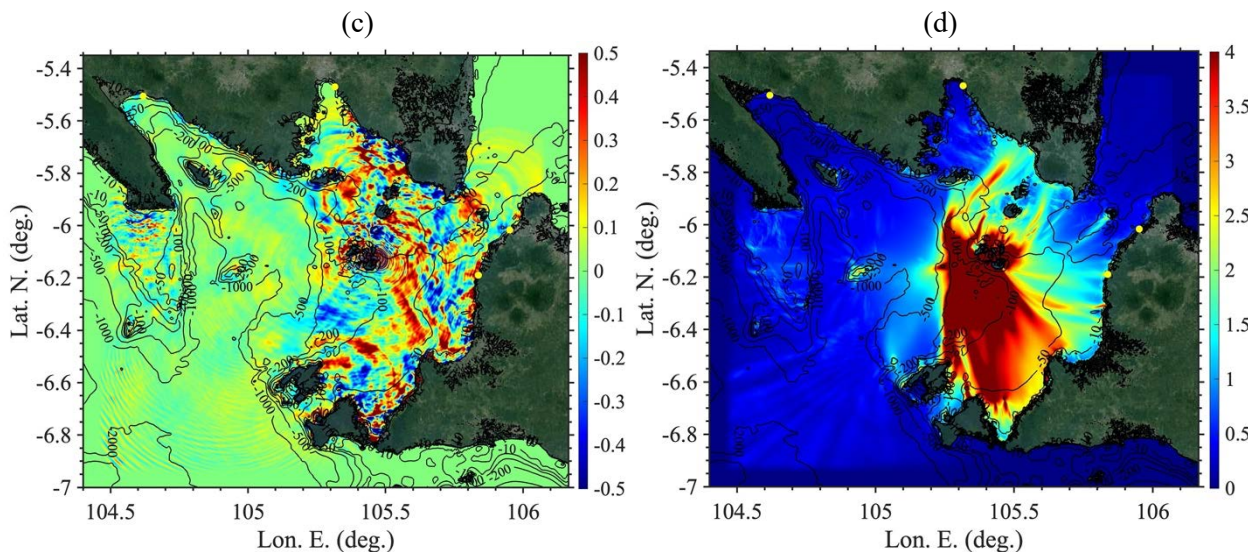
Figure 8: Maximum envelope of surface elevations computed with NHWAVE in Grid G2 for AK collapse likeliest scenario (granular, 0.224 km^3 ; #3 in Table 4), up to $t = 420 \text{ s}$ (color scale in meter).
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1308 **Figure 9:** Tsunami surface elevations computed with FUNWAVE in Grid G1 for AK collapse likeliest

1309 scenario (granular, 0.224 km^3 ; #3 in Table 4). Initial elevation at $t =$ (a) 380 s from NHWAVE

1310 simulation, (b) 1800 s, and (c) 3600 s; (d) envelope of maximum elevations up to $t = 7,580$ s (different

1311 color scales in meter). Maps show topography from Google Earth georeferenced satellite images

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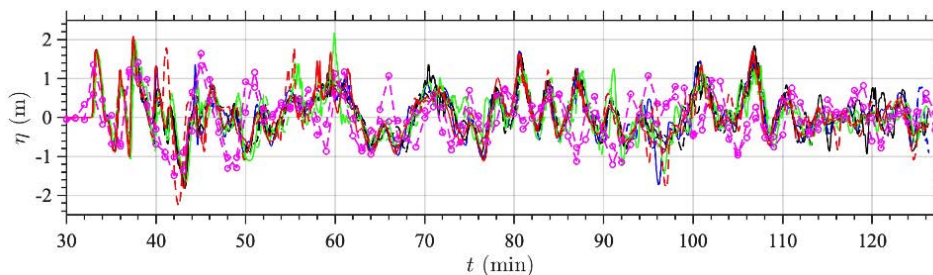
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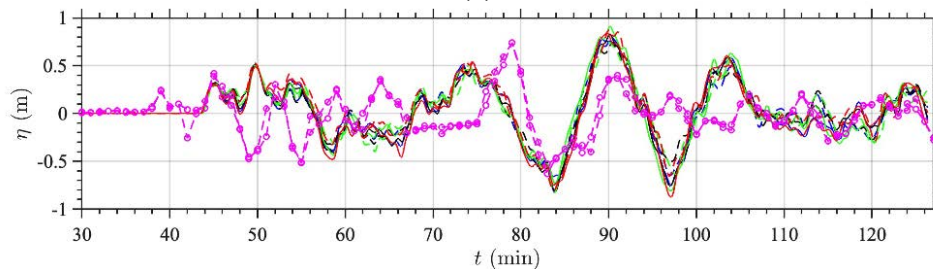
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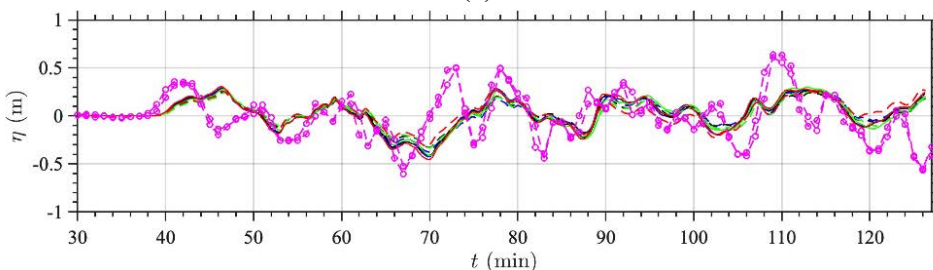
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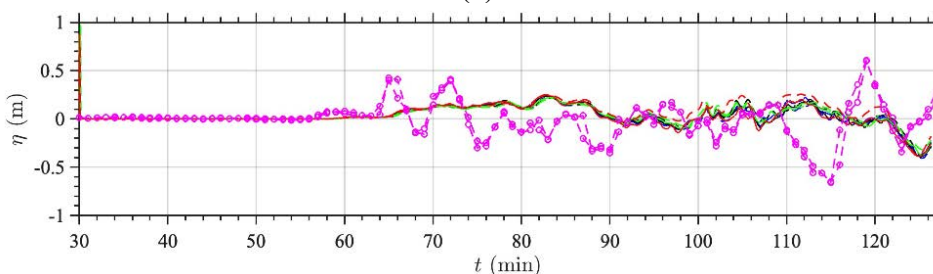
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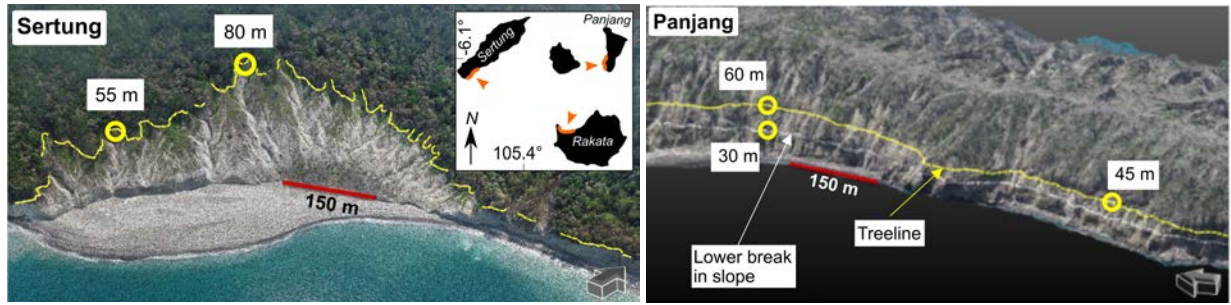
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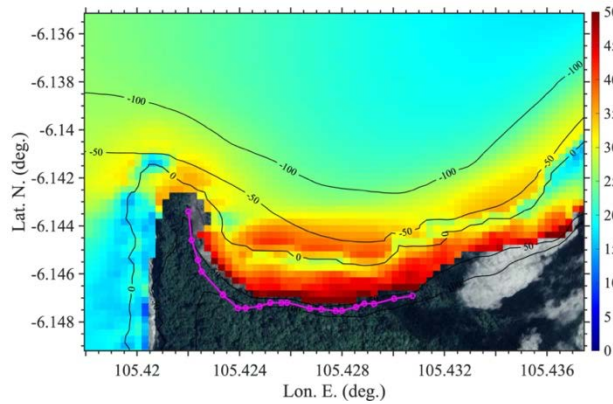
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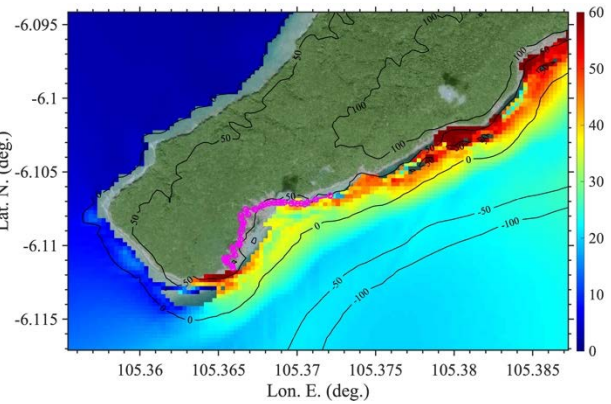
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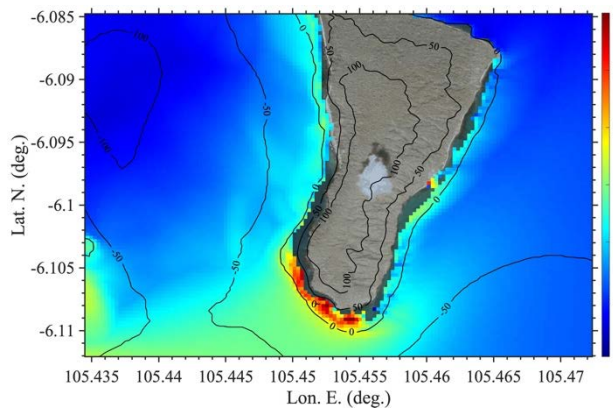
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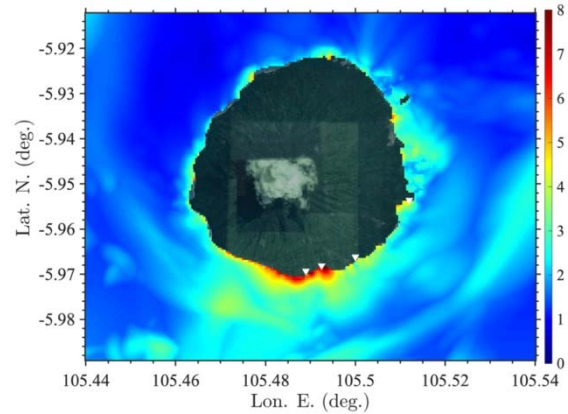
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1351 **Figure 12:** Zoom-in on maximum surface elevation (inundation) computed with (a-c) NHWAVE in Grid

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1353 km³; #3 in Table 4), along (Figs. 1a,c): (a) Rakata's NW shore, (b) Sertung's SW shore, (c) Panjang's S

1354 shore, and (d) Sebesi. Pink circles/line in (a,b) indicate August 2019 drone survey (Figs. 11a,c); white

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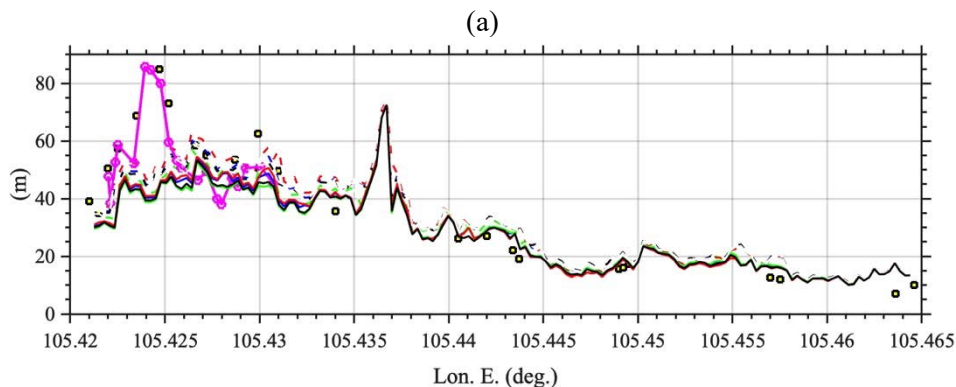
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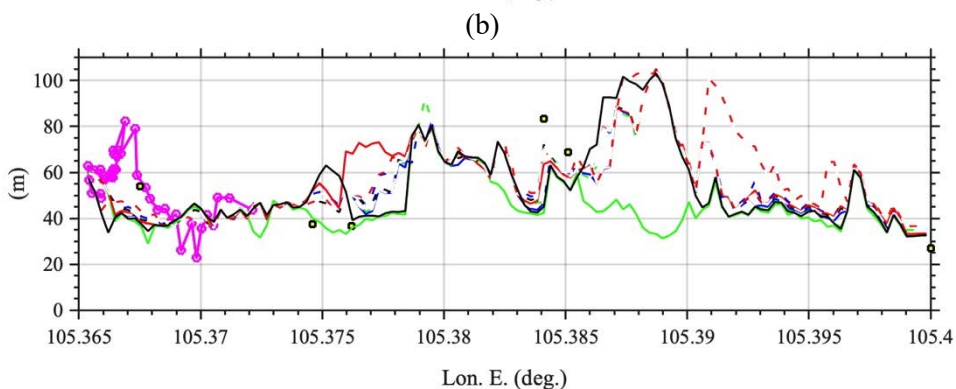
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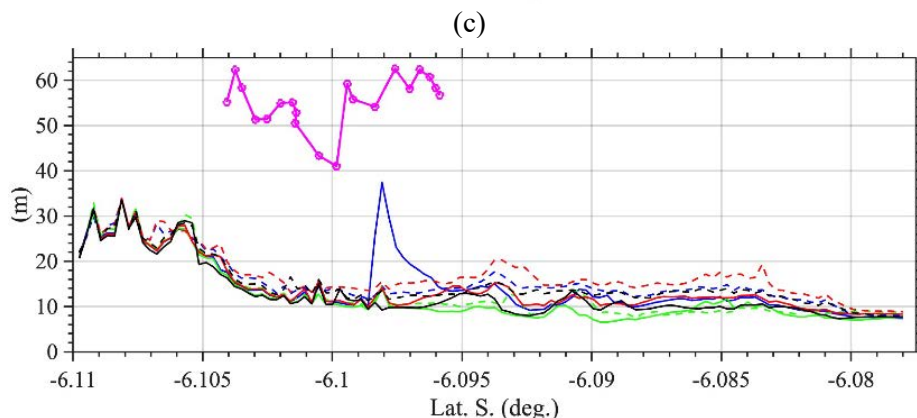
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Figure 13: Maximum runup computed with NHWAVE along (Figs. 1c, 11, 12): (a) Rakata's N shore; (b)

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Sertung's S shore; and (c) Panjang's W shore, for 8 AK collapse scenarios (#1-8 in Table 4) with a

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granular (solid) or viscous (dashed) rheology, and volume (Figs. 2c,d): (—/---) 0.313; (—/---) 0.272;

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(—/---) 0.224 (likeliest scenario; see Figs. 1c and 3b); (—/---) 0.175 km³, compared to the authors'

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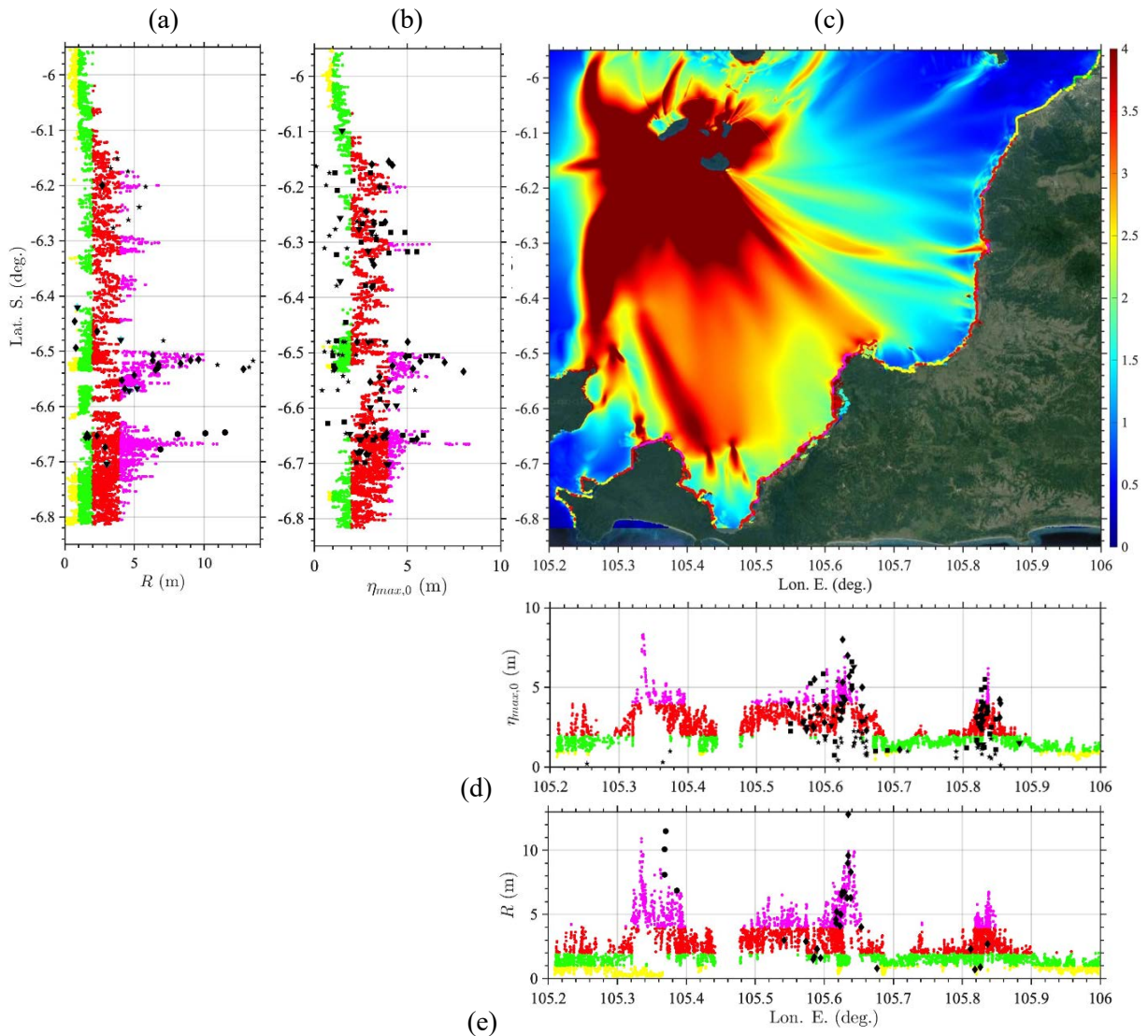
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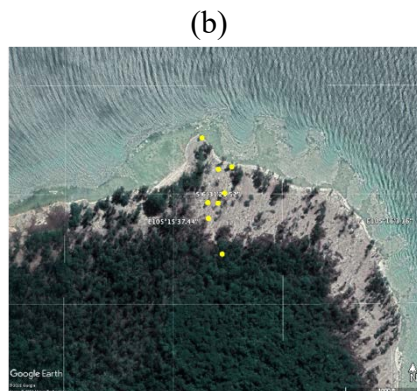
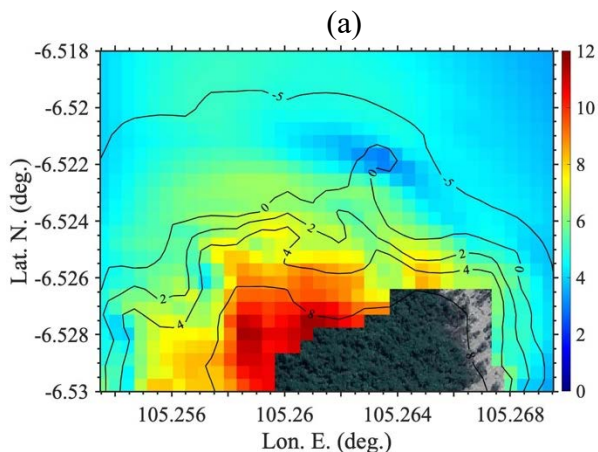
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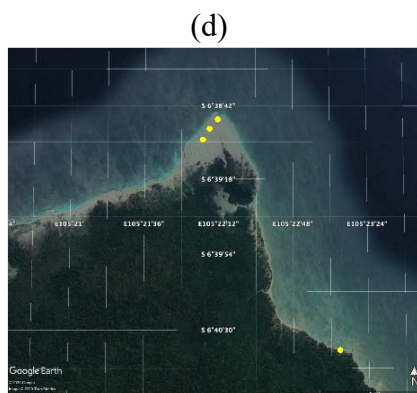
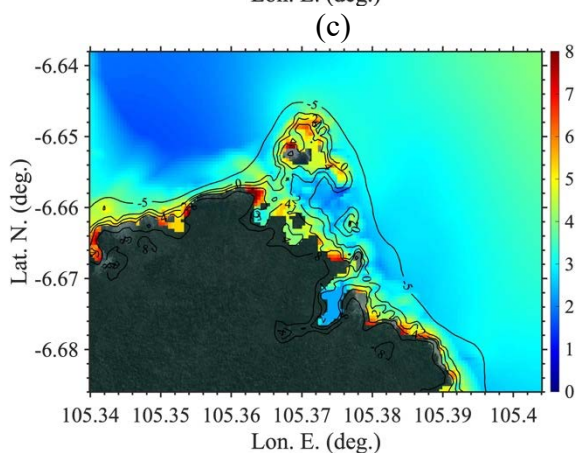
Figure 14: (a,e) Maximum Runup R , and (b,d) flow depth at the shore $\eta_{\max,0}$ (along 0 m contour) from (a) maximum envelope of surface elevation computed with FUNWAVE in Grid G1, for likeliest AK collapse scenario (granular, 0.224 km^3 ; #3 in Table 4; Fig. 9d) zoomed-in on Java; for clarity, 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.

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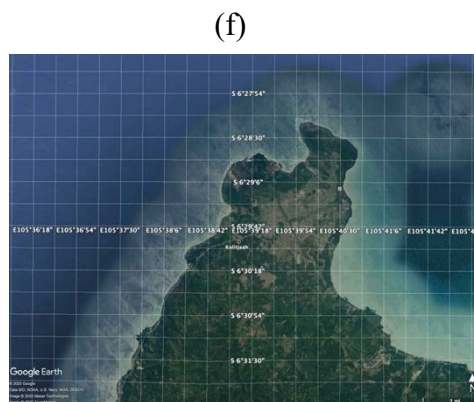
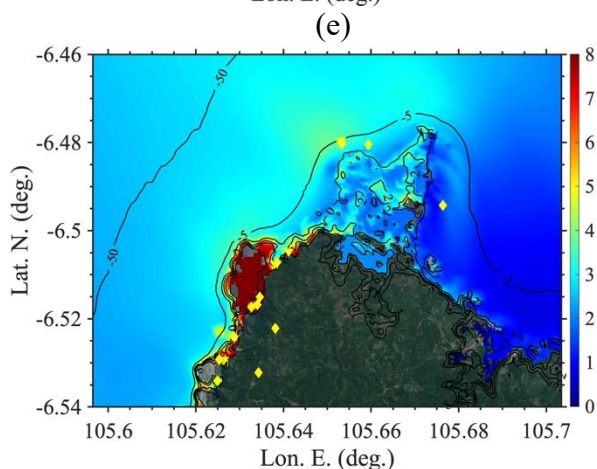
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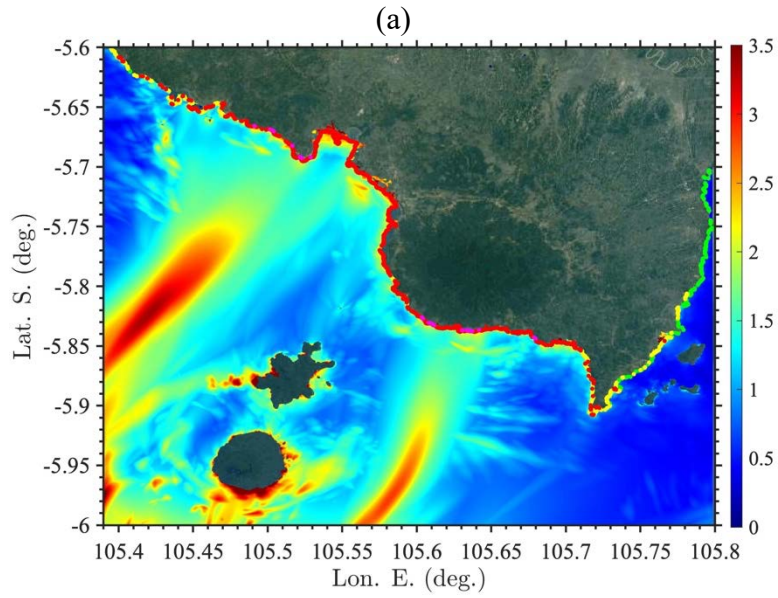


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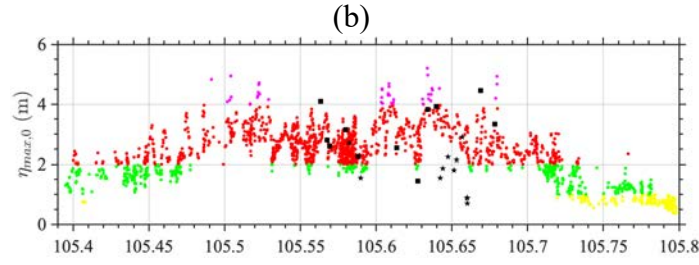
1395 **Figure 15:** (a,c,e) Max. surface elevation (FUNWAVE, Grid G1; color scales in meter), for likeliest AK
 1396 collapse scenario (granular, 0.224 km³; #3 in Table 4; Fig. 9d), zoomed on (Fig. 1a): (a) Panaitan Island
 1397 (PI); (c) Ujung Kulon (UK); and (e) Kolijaah (K). (b,d,f) Google Earth image of PI, UK and K (11/20).

1398 (•) in (b,d) are locations of Borrero et al.'s (2020) elevation survey, measured from N to S, in (b) at
 1399 (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
 1400 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)
 1401 are bathymetry/topography in meter and color scale is maximum surface elevation in meter.

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1409 **Figure 16:** Same results as in Fig. 14: (a) Envelope of maximum surface elevation (FUNWAVE, Grid
 1410 G1; color scales in meter), for likeliest AK collapse scenario (granular, 0.224 km^3 ; #3 in Table 4; Fig. 9d),
 1411 zoomed on Sumatra (Fig. 1) with 4 classes defined as: (●) 0-1 m; (●) 1-2 m; (●) 2-4 m, and (●) > 4 m; (b)
 1412 comparison of computed flow depth at the shore with field surveys of: (■) TDMRC (2019), (★) Muhari
 1413 et al. (2019); (c) View of Waymuli (W, Fig. 1a, 105.6348 E), looking east, from Fritz et al. (2019)
 1414 02/2019 field survey.