



# Large Vessel and Debris Transport due to Tsunami- Induced Currents

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# Tsunami Current Induced Hazards



No/Little  
Inundation



Primary damage  
mechanism



- Able to pick-up and move very large objects

Crescent City – California (2011)



Oarai – Japan (2011)





## Develop a model

Motion of the Large Vessels &  
Small Craft/Debris Transport

Flow-Vessel Interaction

Built-in Collision Model



## Method Of Splitting Tsunamis (MOST)

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- ⚙ Non-linear Shallow Water (NSW)
- ⚙ Used extensively tsunami hazard assessment studies
- ⚙ Depth-averaged  $\rightarrow$  2 HD

# Hydrodynamic Model



Vessels are included as horizontal pressure disturbances

$$u_t + uu_x + vu_y + gh_x = gd_x - \tau_{bx} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P_0}{\partial x}$$

$$v_t + uv_x + vv_y + gh_y = gd_y - \tau_{by} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P_0}{\partial y}$$



Form  
Drag

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Form  
Drag

Skin  
Friction



Bottom Stress  
Friction  
Coefficient

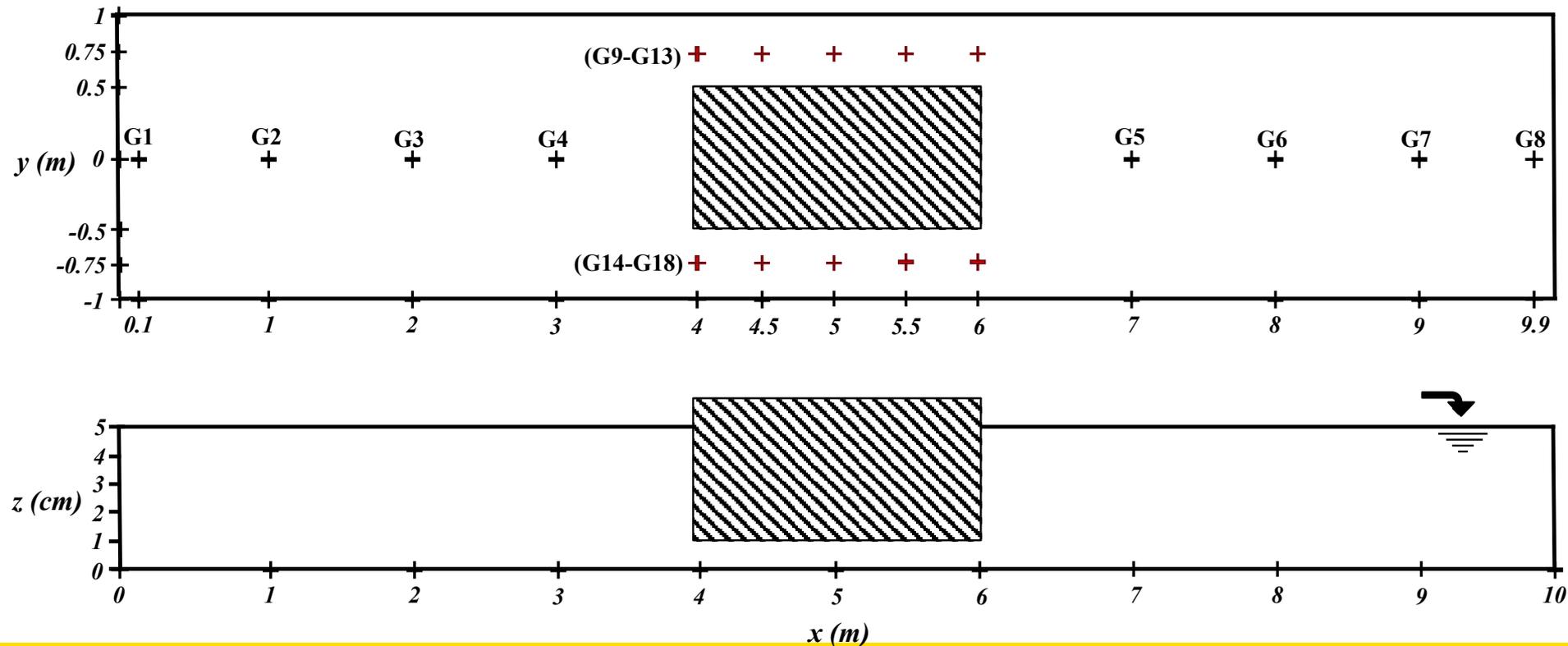
# Model Validation – OpenFOAM®



Flow past a floating rectangular block

80% Submerged

Constant discharge of 0.1 m/s



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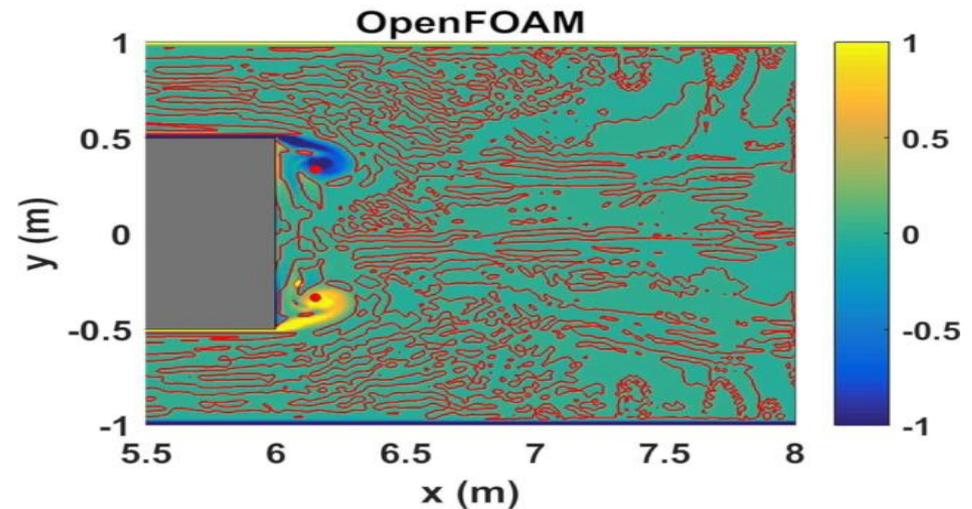
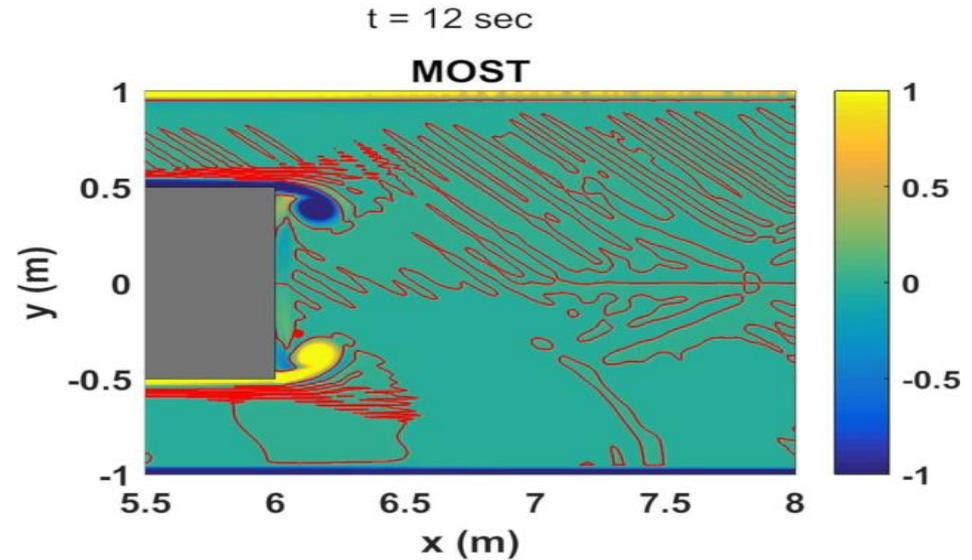
MOST



Vorticity  
Maps (1/s)



OpenFOAM  
®



# Collision Model



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Analytical method solves linear equations

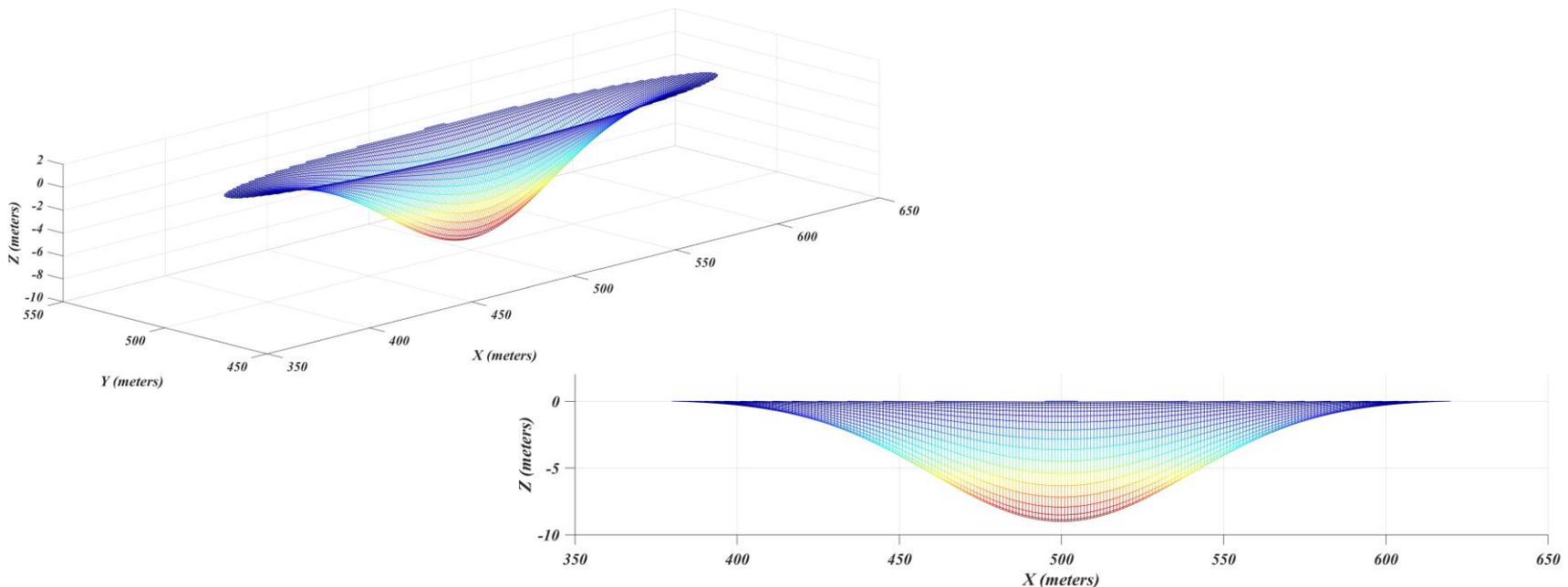
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Conservation of momentum and impulse ( $J$ )

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Evaluate the collisions between ellipses

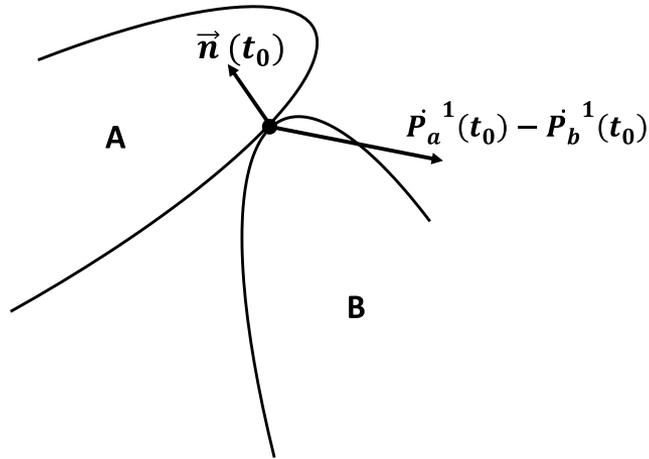
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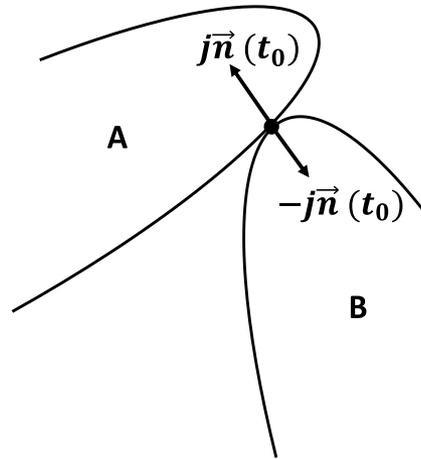
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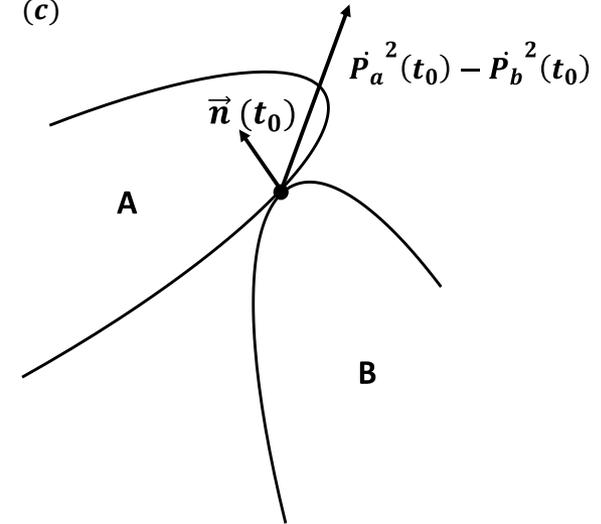
(a)



(b)



(c)

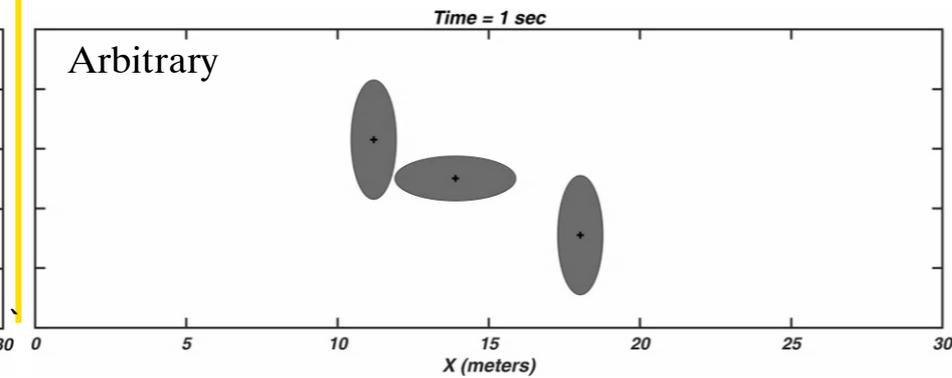
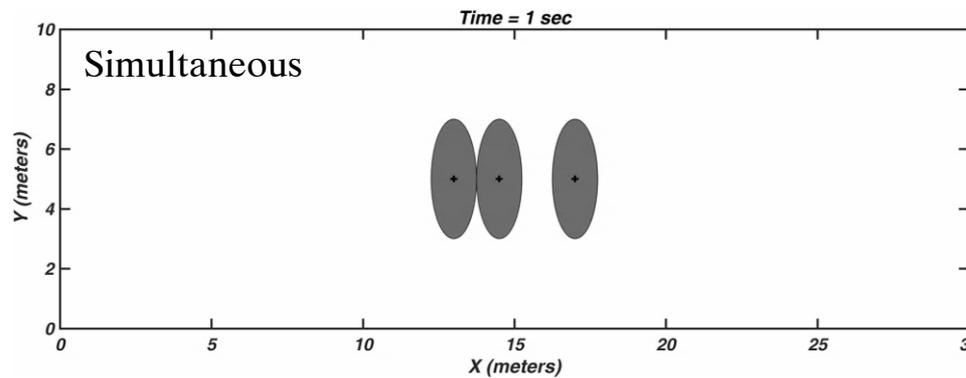
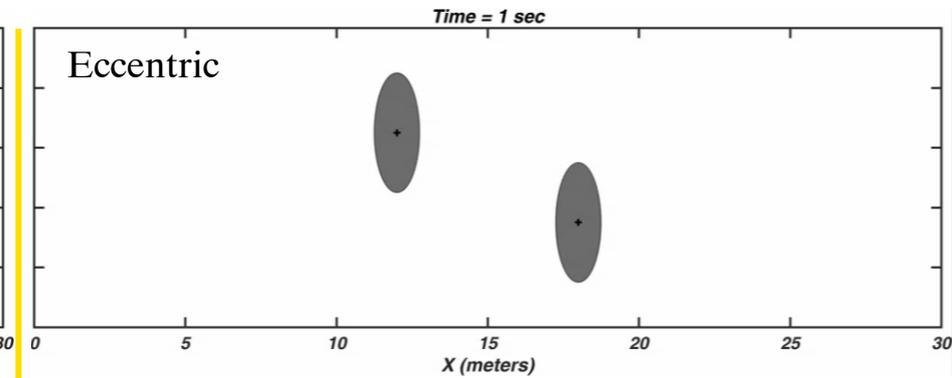
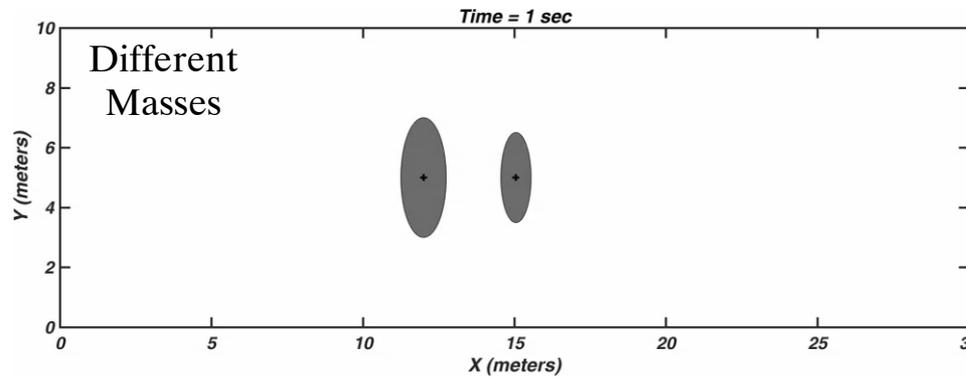


$$v_{rel} = (\dot{p}_a(t_0) - \dot{p}_b(t_0)) \cdot \vec{n}(t_0)$$

$$v_{rel}^1 = -\beta v_{rel}^2 \quad 0 \leq \beta \leq 1$$

$$j = \frac{-(1 + \epsilon)v_{rel}^1}{\left(\frac{1}{M_a} + \frac{1}{M_b} + \vec{n}(t_0) \cdot \left(\frac{r_a \times \vec{n}(t_0)}{(I_{zz})_a}\right) \times r_a + \vec{n}(t_0) \cdot \left(\frac{r_b \times \vec{n}(t_0)}{(I_{zz})_b}\right) \times r_b\right)}$$

# Collision Model - Experiments



# Equations of Ship Motion



Based on the linear model

Includes added mass and damping

Current forces -> Empirical drag formulation

Forces due to ship's controls are excluded

$$(m - X_{\dot{u}}) \dot{u} = X_u u + X'$$

$$(m - Y_{\dot{v}}) \dot{v} + Y_{\dot{r}} \dot{r} = Y_v v + (Y_r - mu)r + Y'$$

$$(I_{zz} - N_{\dot{r}}) \dot{r} - N_{\dot{v}} \dot{v} = N_v v - N_r r + N'$$



# Port of Long Beach

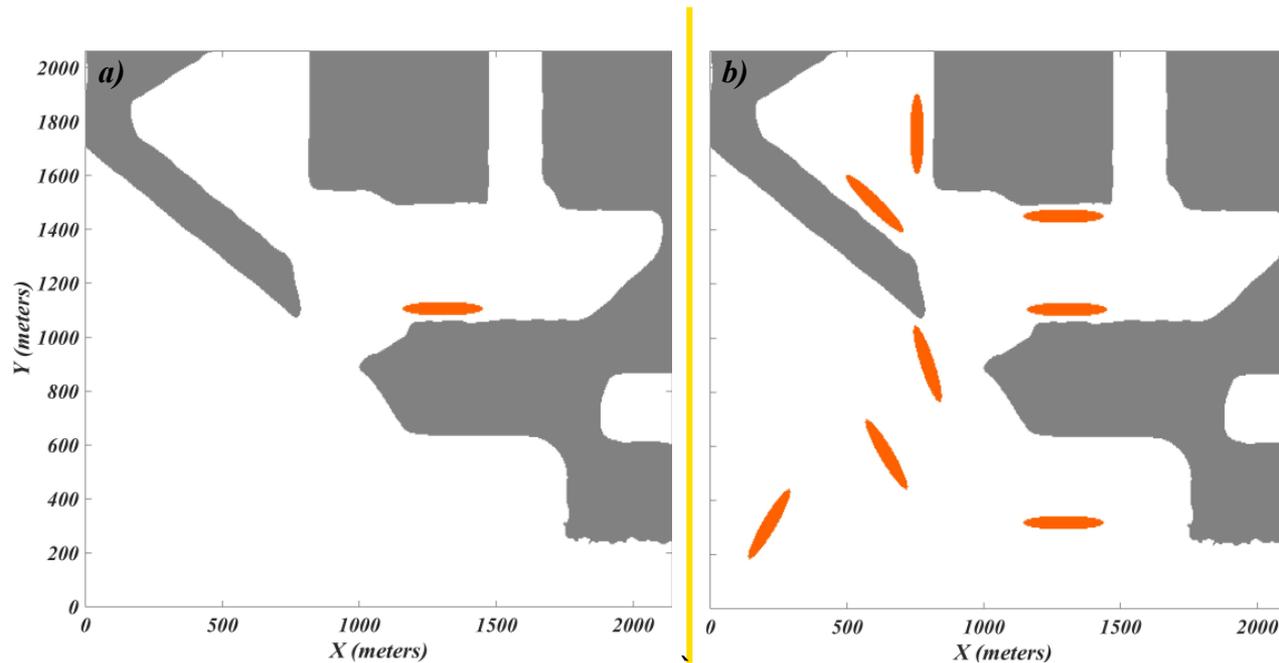
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# POLB – Simulation Set-up



$M_w = 9.2$  Earthquake in Alaska – Aleutians Subduction Zone

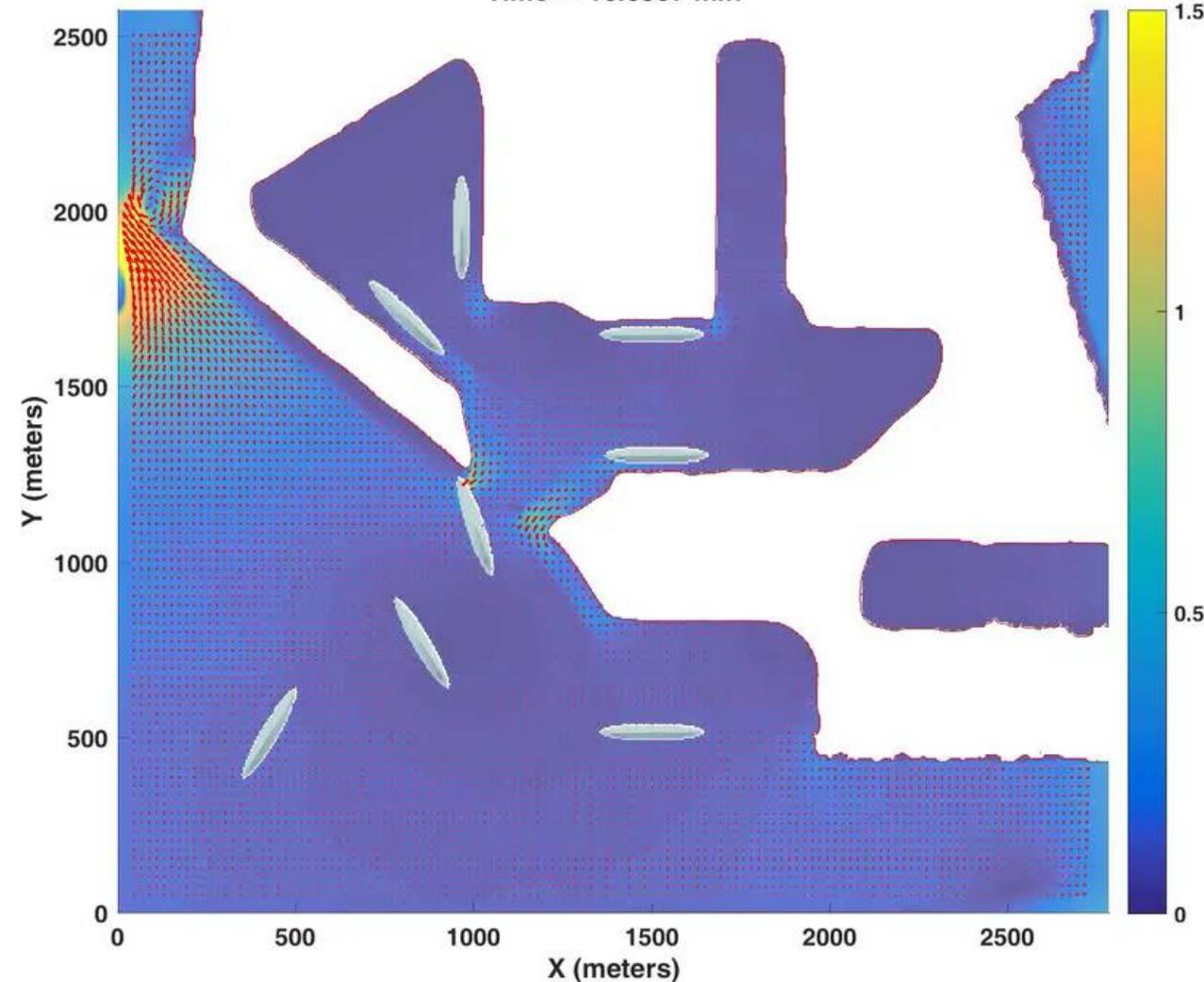
Two simulations with different number of vessels included



# POLB – Multi Vessel Scenario



Current Speeds (m/s)  
Time = 16.6667 min



## 8 - Ships

- L = 305 m  
(~1000')
- B = 60 m  
(~195')
- Draft = 10 m  
(30')
- DW = 100,000 tons

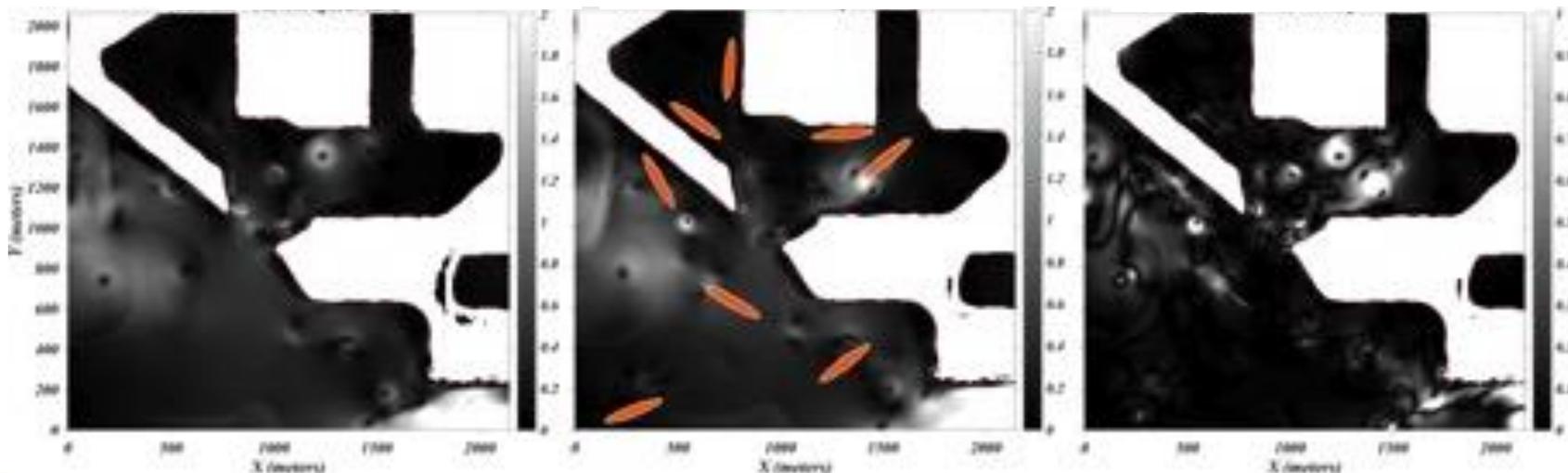
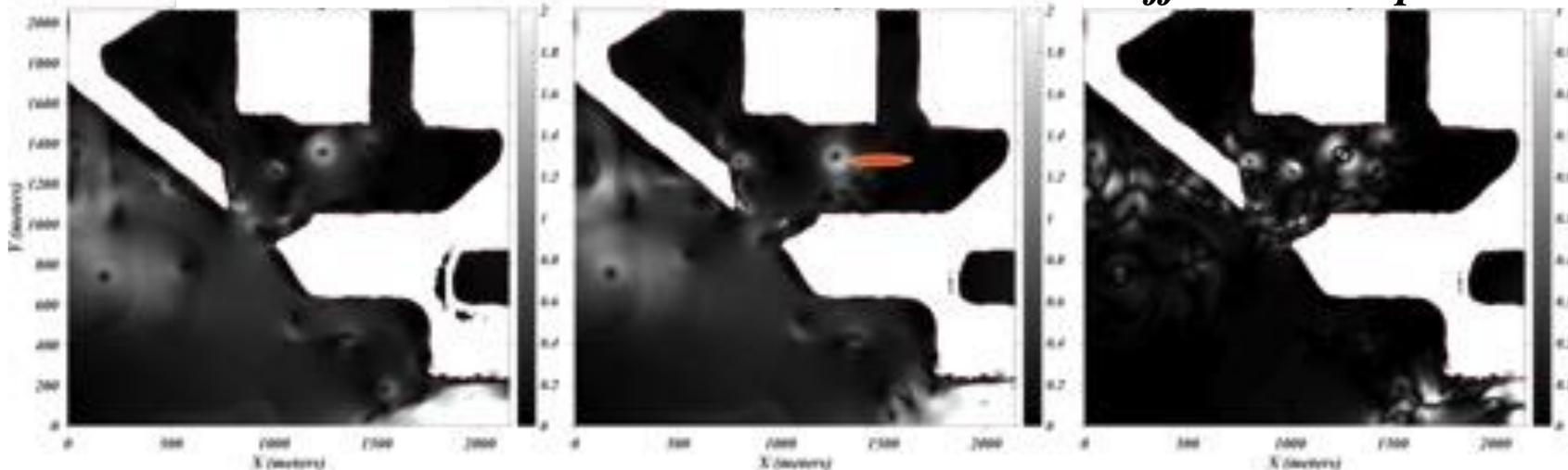
# POLB – Effect of Vessels



*Baseline*

*With Vessels*

*Difference in Speeds*





# Ishinomaki Port

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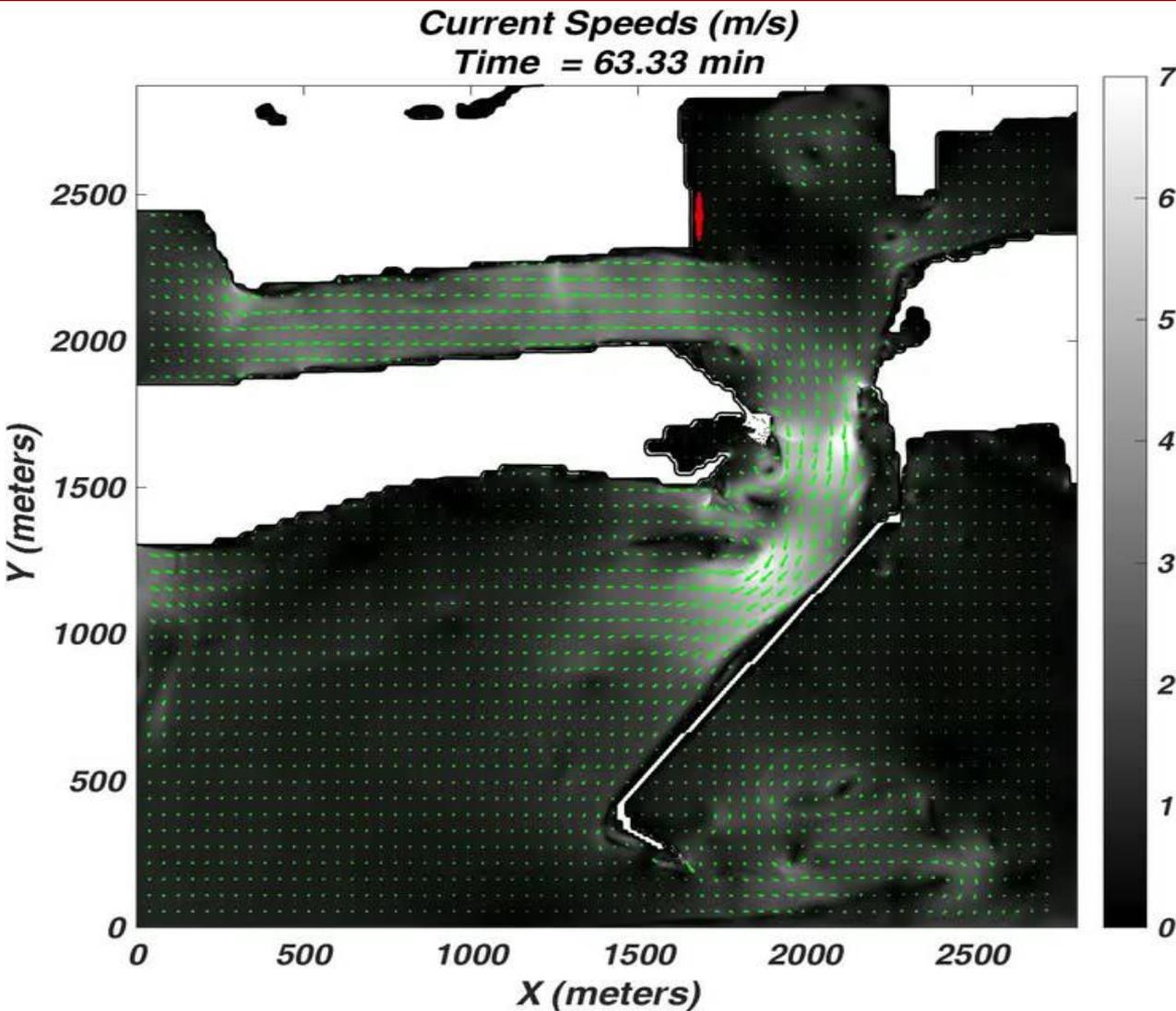


## C.S. Victory

- $L = 177 \text{ m}$  ( $\sim 580'$ )
- $B = 26 \text{ m}$  ( $\sim 85'$ )
- $\text{Draft} = 6.1 - 9 \text{ m}$  ( $20\text{-}30'$ )
- $\text{DW} = 33,000 \text{ tons}$



# Ishinomaki Port -



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2011 Tohoku Tsunami

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~5 m horizontal  
resolution

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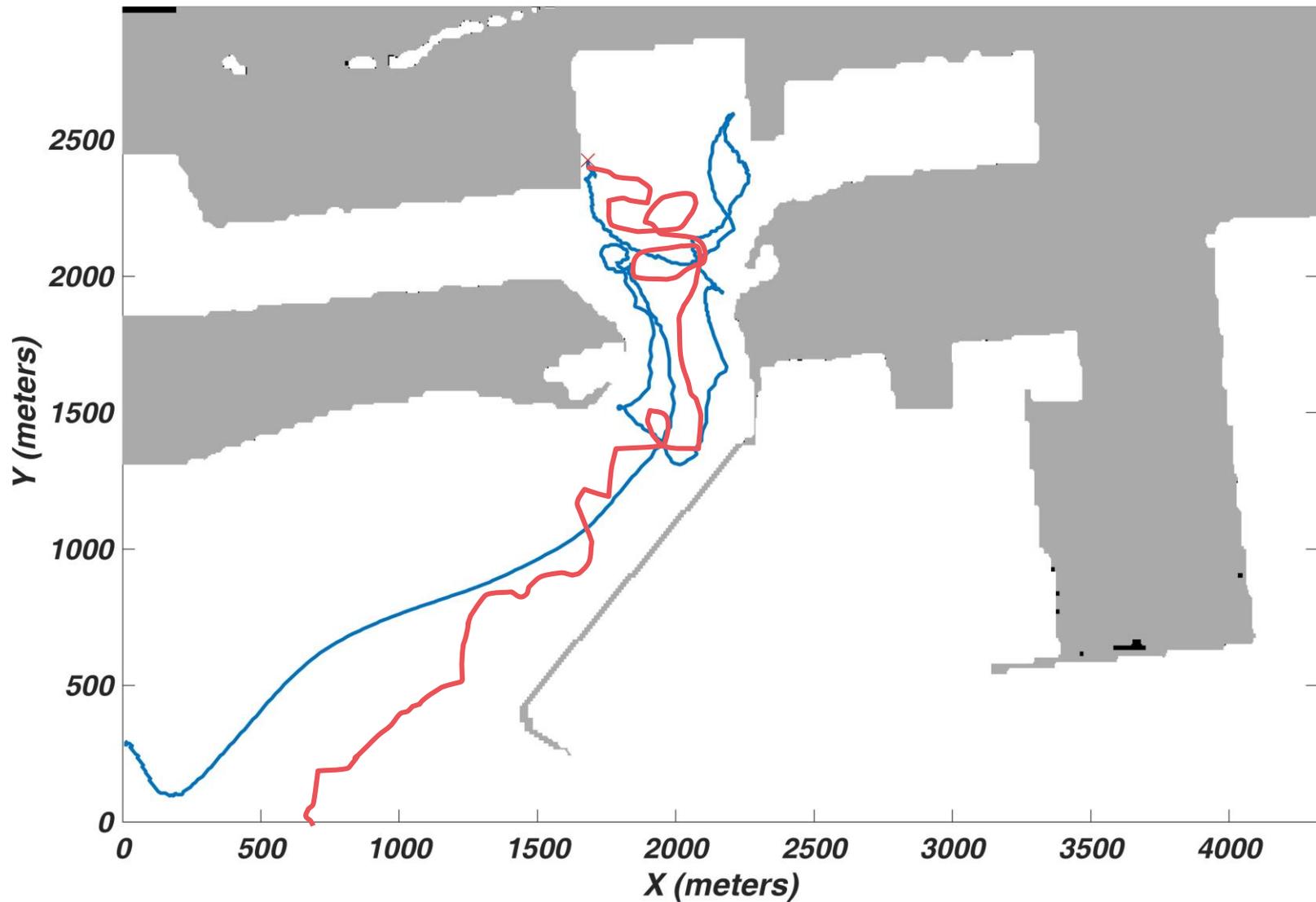
Released 65 min after the  
first arrival

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Draft = 7.5 m (~25')

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# Ishinomaki Port – Model/Data Comparison



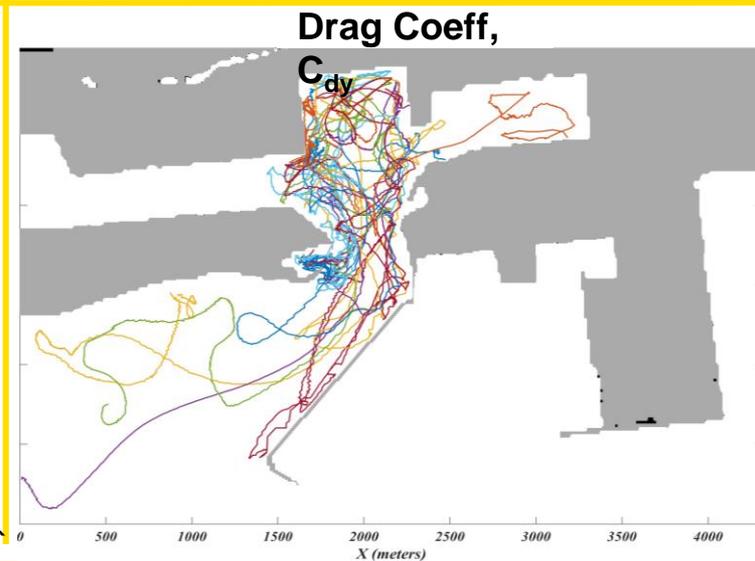
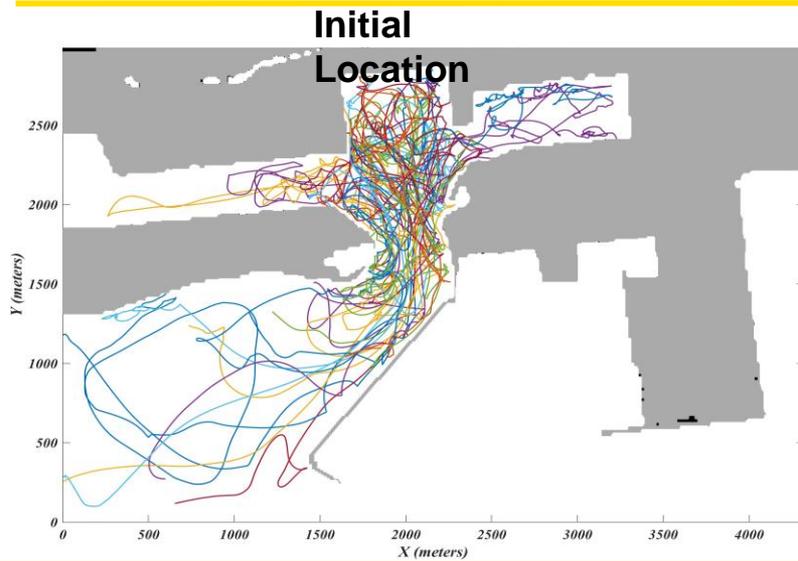
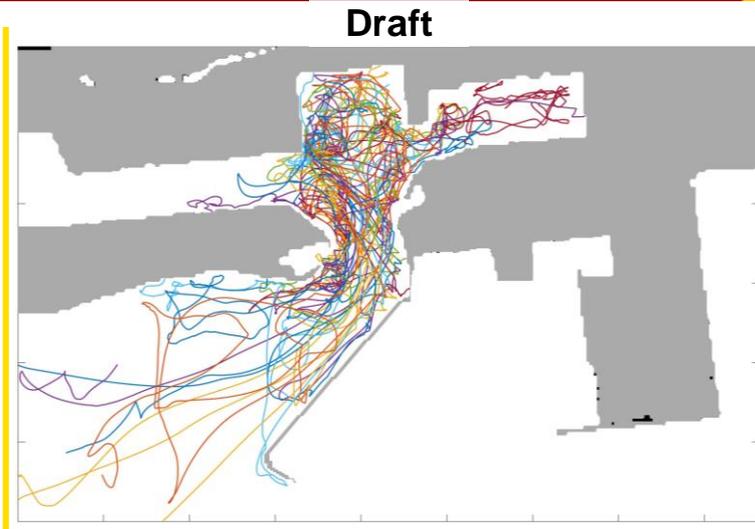
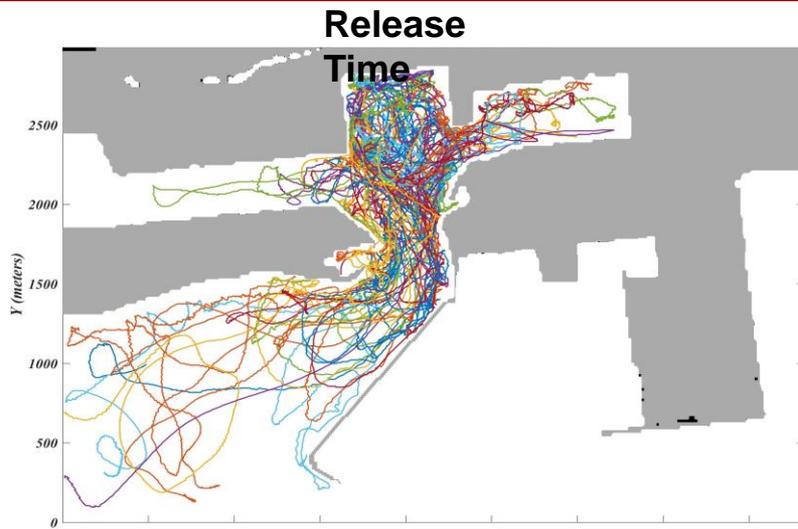


## Sensitivity Analysis



Initial choice of parameters effect the model results?

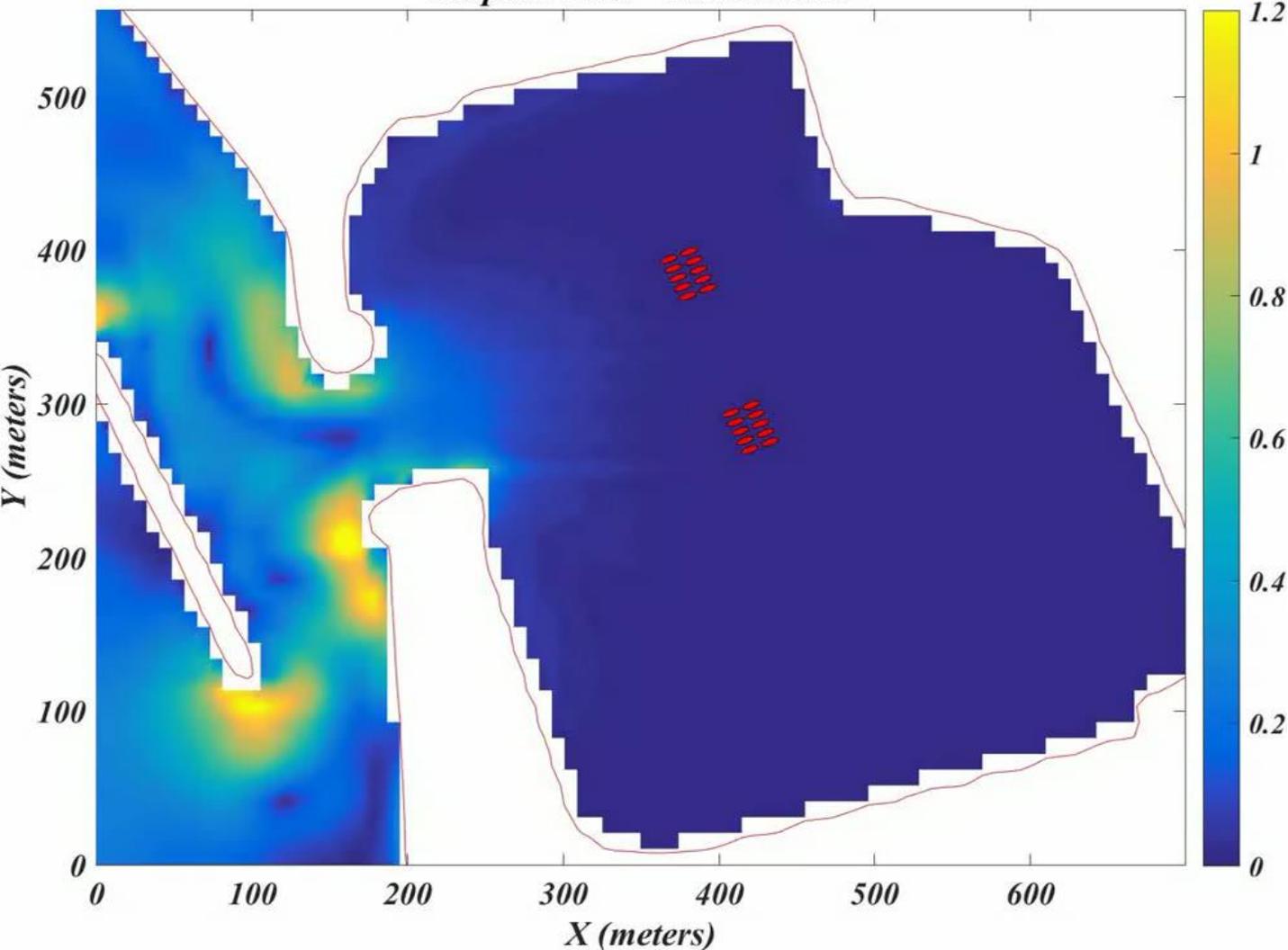
# Ishinomaki Port – Sensitivity Analysis



# Debris/Small Craft Transport



Elapsed Time = 53.3333 min



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Berkeley Marina (CA)

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2011 Tohoku Tsunami

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20 Identical Boats

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$L = 11.7 \text{ m (37')}$

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$B = 4 \text{ m (13.1')}$

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# Conclusions



- Presented a model to predict large vessel transport model
- The interaction between the flow and vessels are significant
- Model results are very sensitive to the initial choice of parameters

## Future Works

- Techniques to model the chaos in the system
- Can form the basis for a debris transport model

A photograph of a tsunami hazard sign. The sign is dark with white text and a white wave graphic. The text is partially visible: "LEAVING", "TSUNA", "HAZAR", and "ZON". The wave graphic is on the left side of the sign. A yellow vertical bar is on the right side of the image.

LEAVING

TSUNA

HAZAR

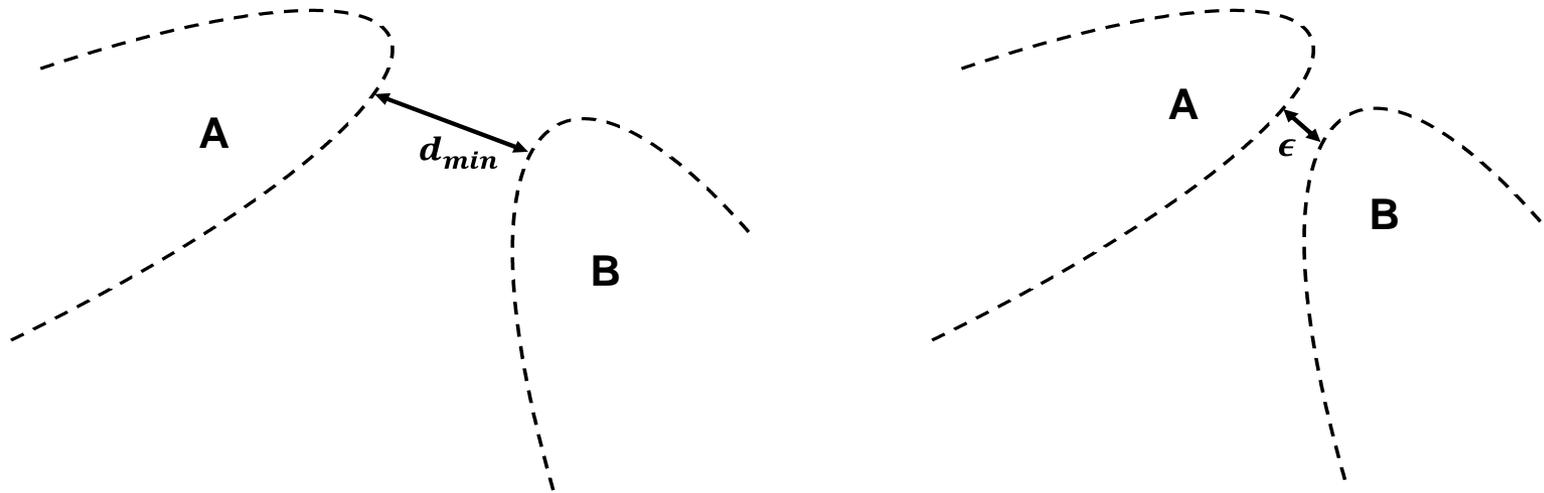
ZON

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# Collision Model - Detection



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$$A = \{k_1, k_2, k_3, \dots, k_n\} \text{ and } B = \{l_1, l_2, l_3, \dots, l_n\}$$

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$$d_{min}(A, B) = \min\{d(k_i, l_j)\}, \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

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$$d_{min}(A, B) \leq \epsilon$$

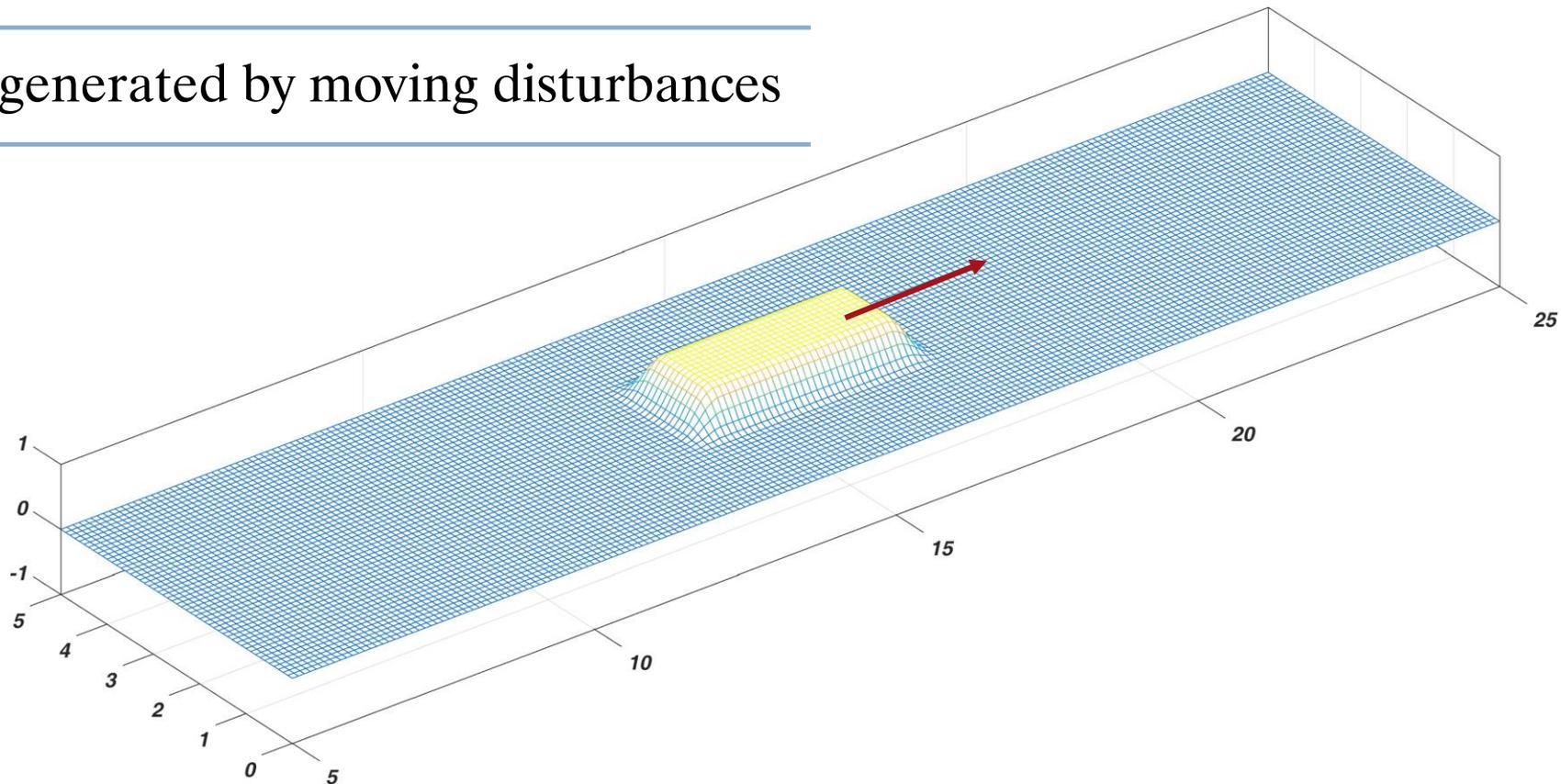
# Model Validation



Ertekin et al., (1986)

3D, dispersive, rotational Green-Naghdi

Waves generated by moving disturbances

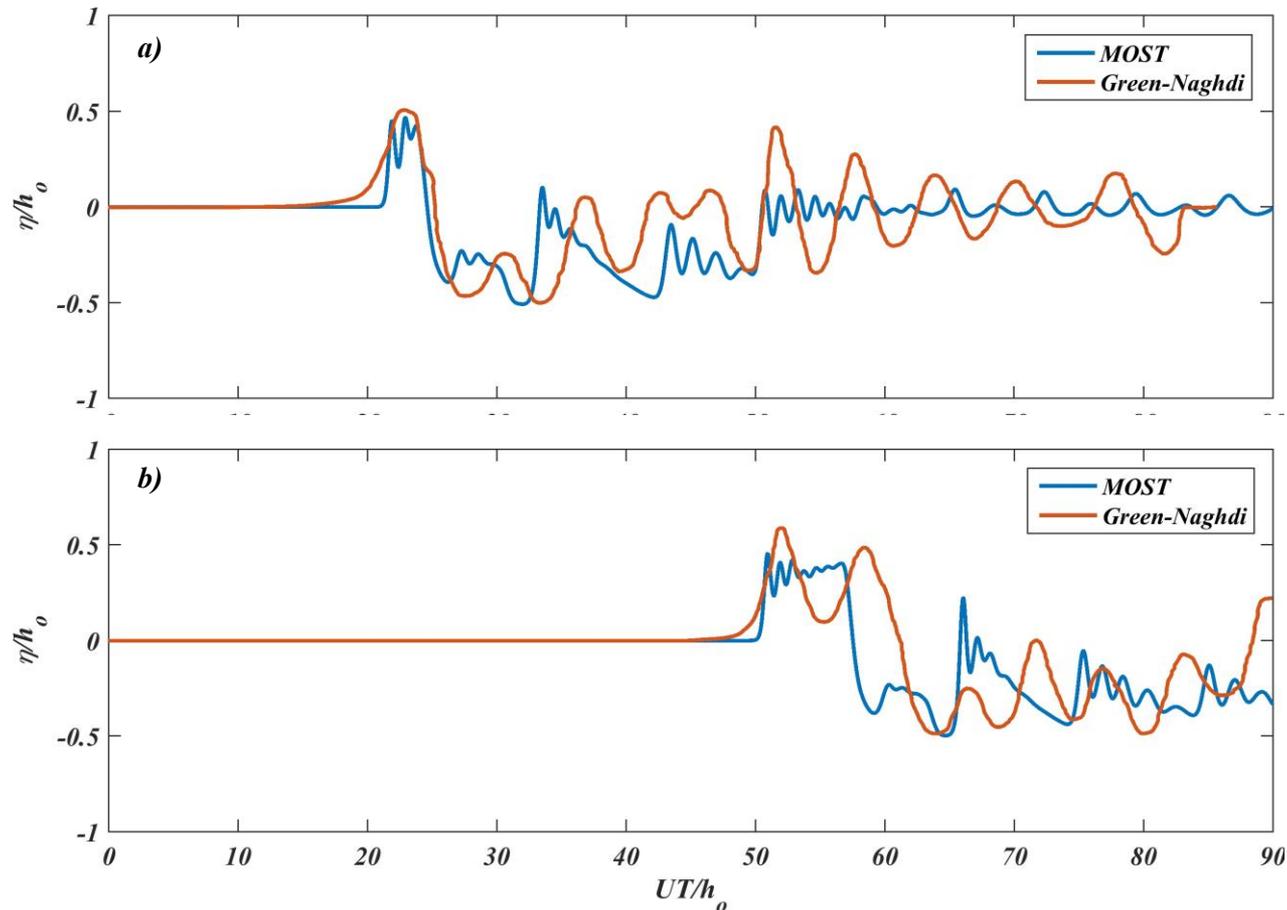


# Model Validation



Disturbance moving with  $Fr = 1$

65 m  
ahead



130 m  
ahead