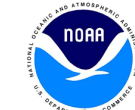


# *Development of a GNSS-Enhanced Tsunami Early Warning System*



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# The Banda Aceh earthquake and tsunami claimed 250,000 lives without warning ...

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Phuket Island, Thailand  
December 26, 2004

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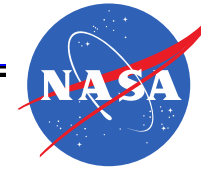
Real-Time  
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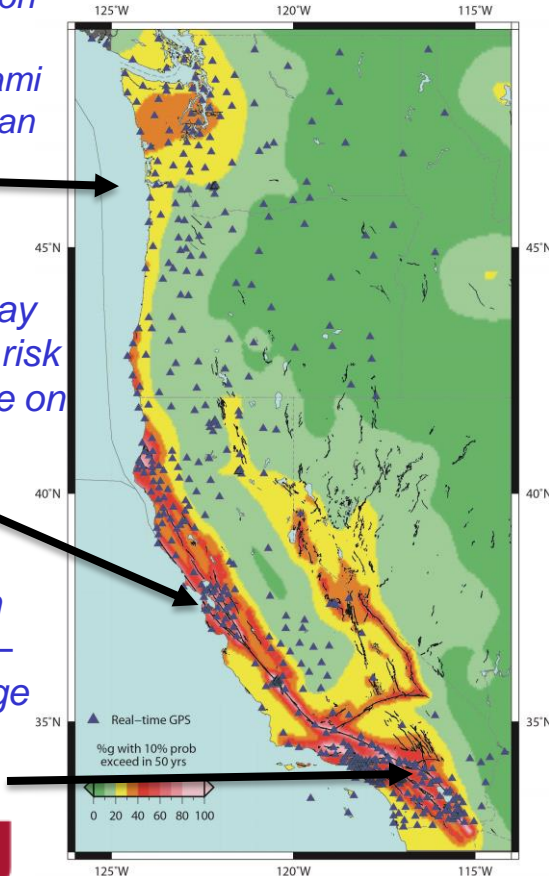
- **Real-Time Earthquake Analysis for Disaster mItigation** network (READI): ~750 GPS stations, a NASA driven project
- Super set of GNSS networks maintained by (sorted according to largest to smallest number of stations):
  - UNAVCO/PBO
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- Scripps Institution of Oceanography/SCIGN
  - JPL/Caltech



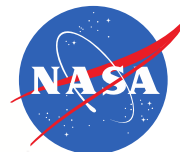
*Cascadia Subduction Zone – Mw 9.0 earthquake & tsunami similar to 2011 Japan events*

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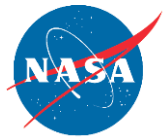


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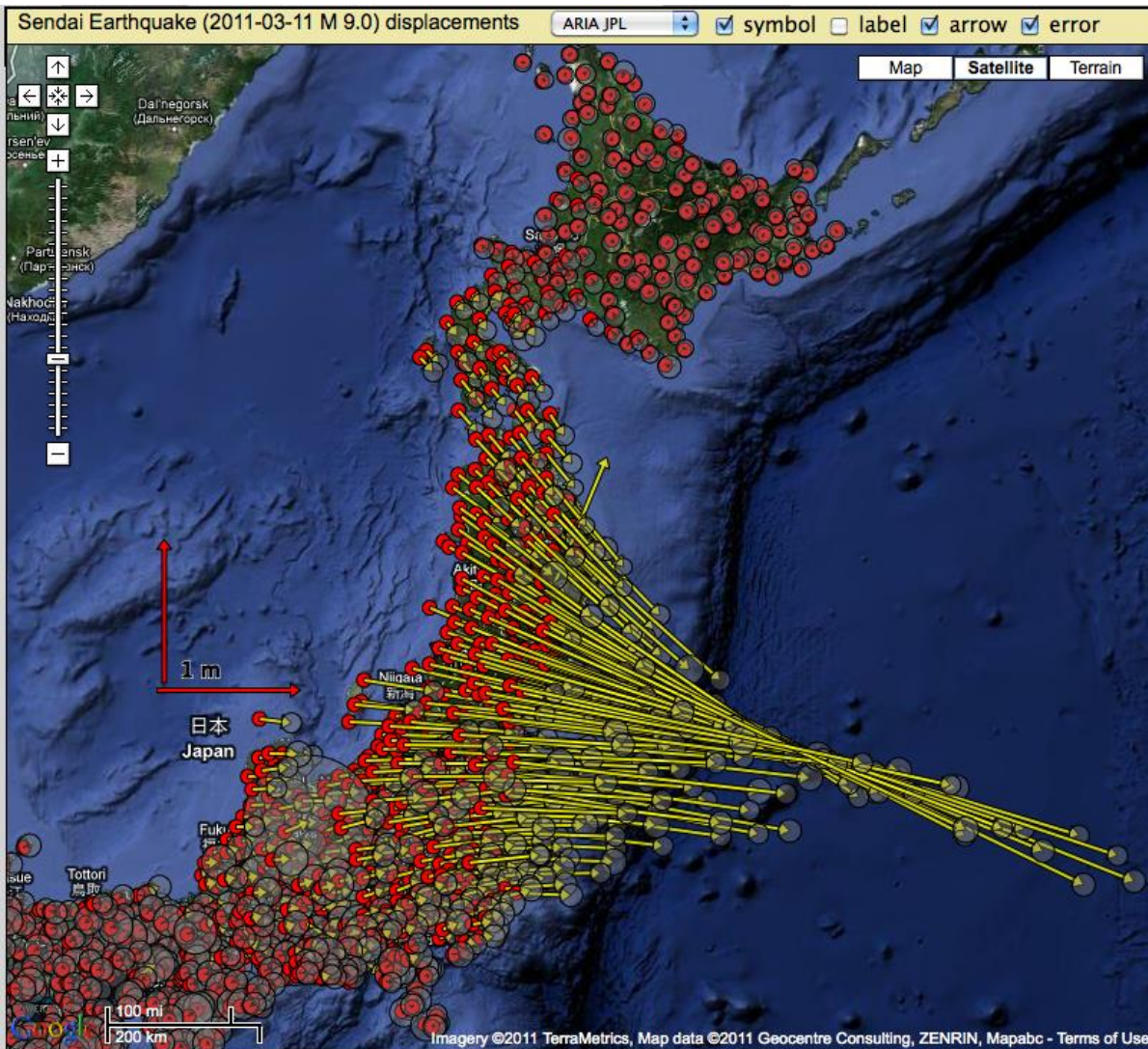


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# GNSS Earthquake and Tsunami Early Warning



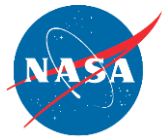
Data courtesy of the Geospatial  
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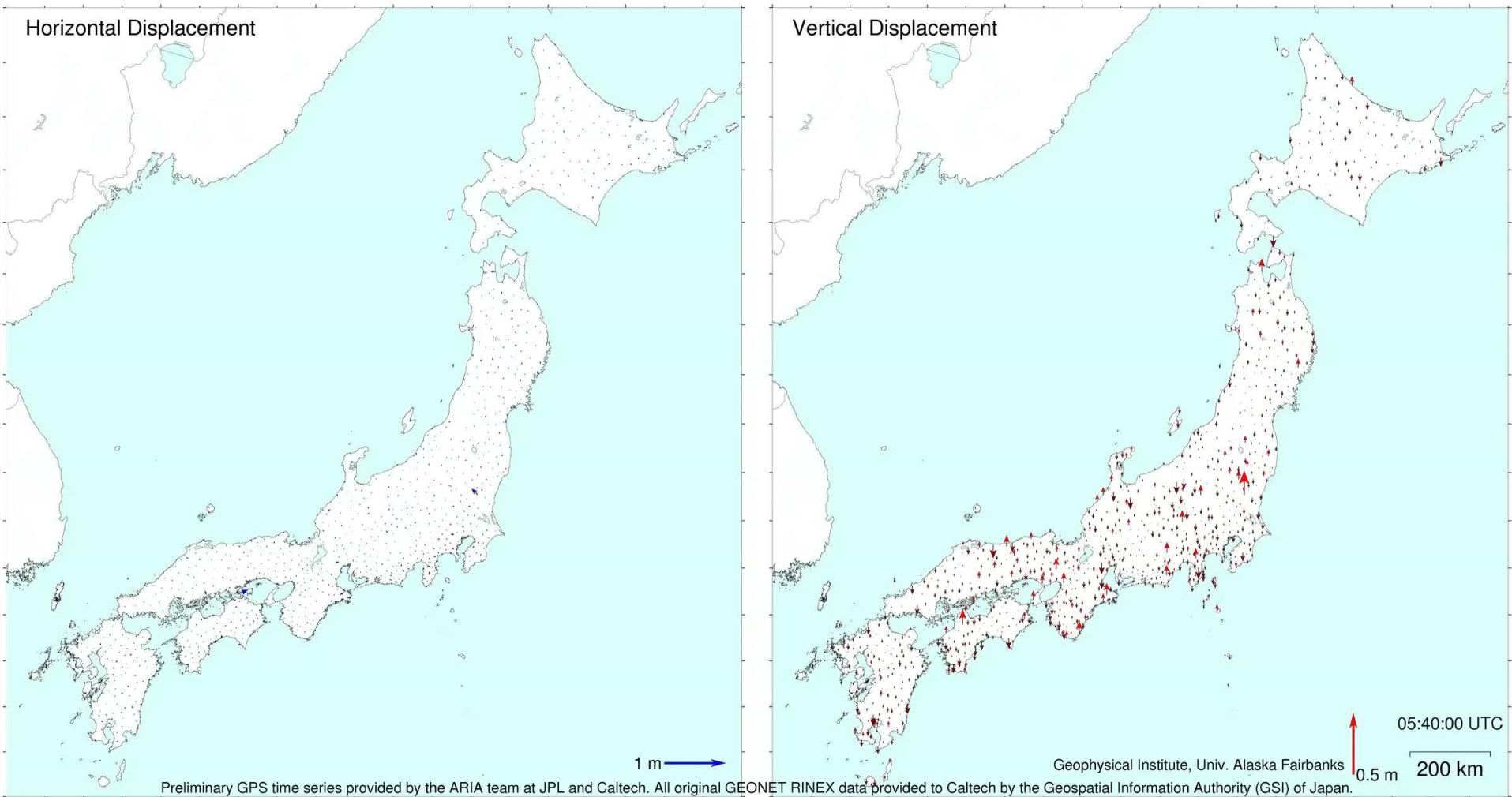
Great East Japan Earthquake and  
Tsunami

Maximum GPS displacement  
~5 meters

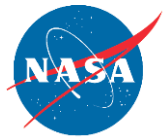




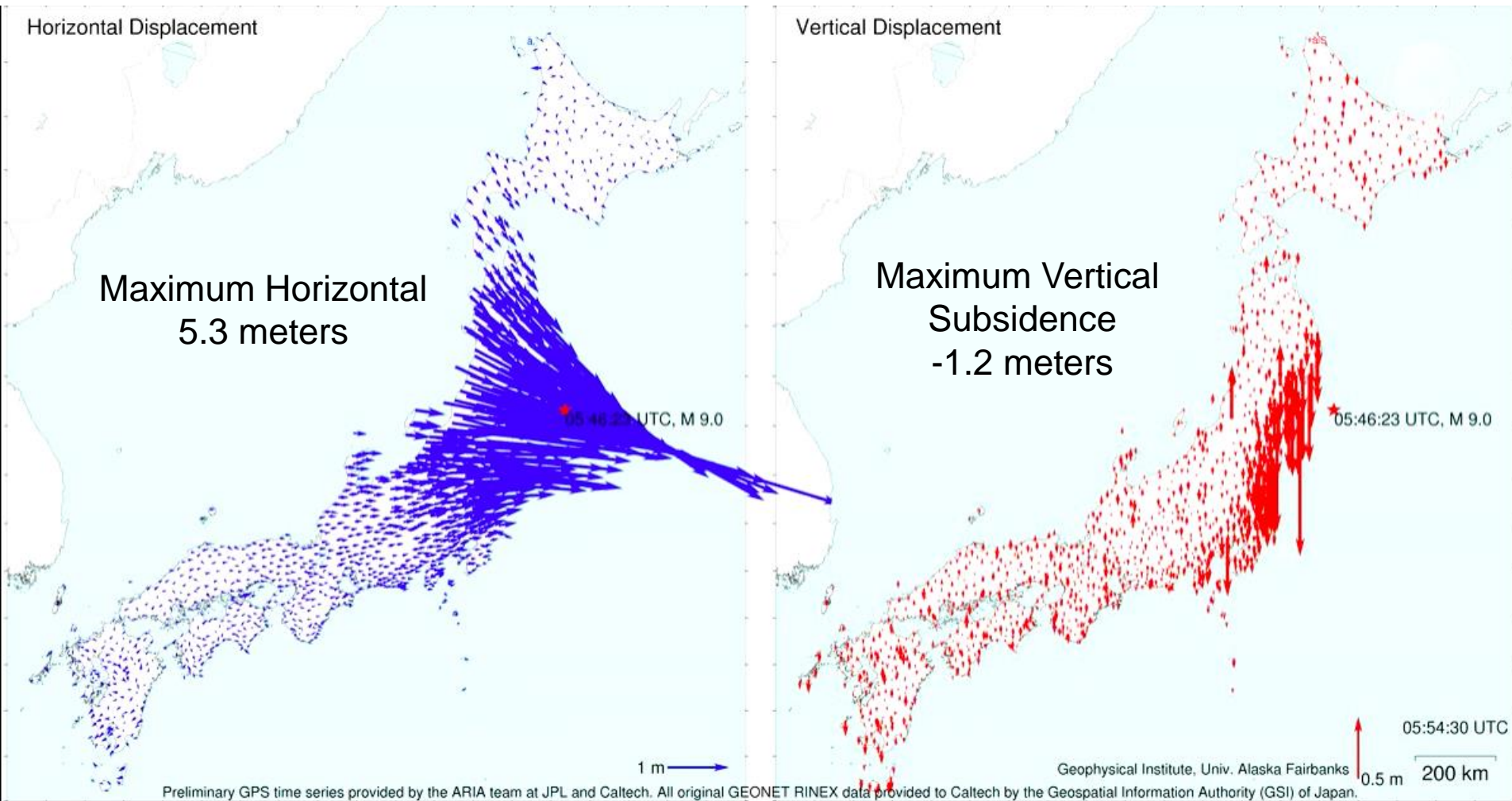
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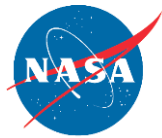
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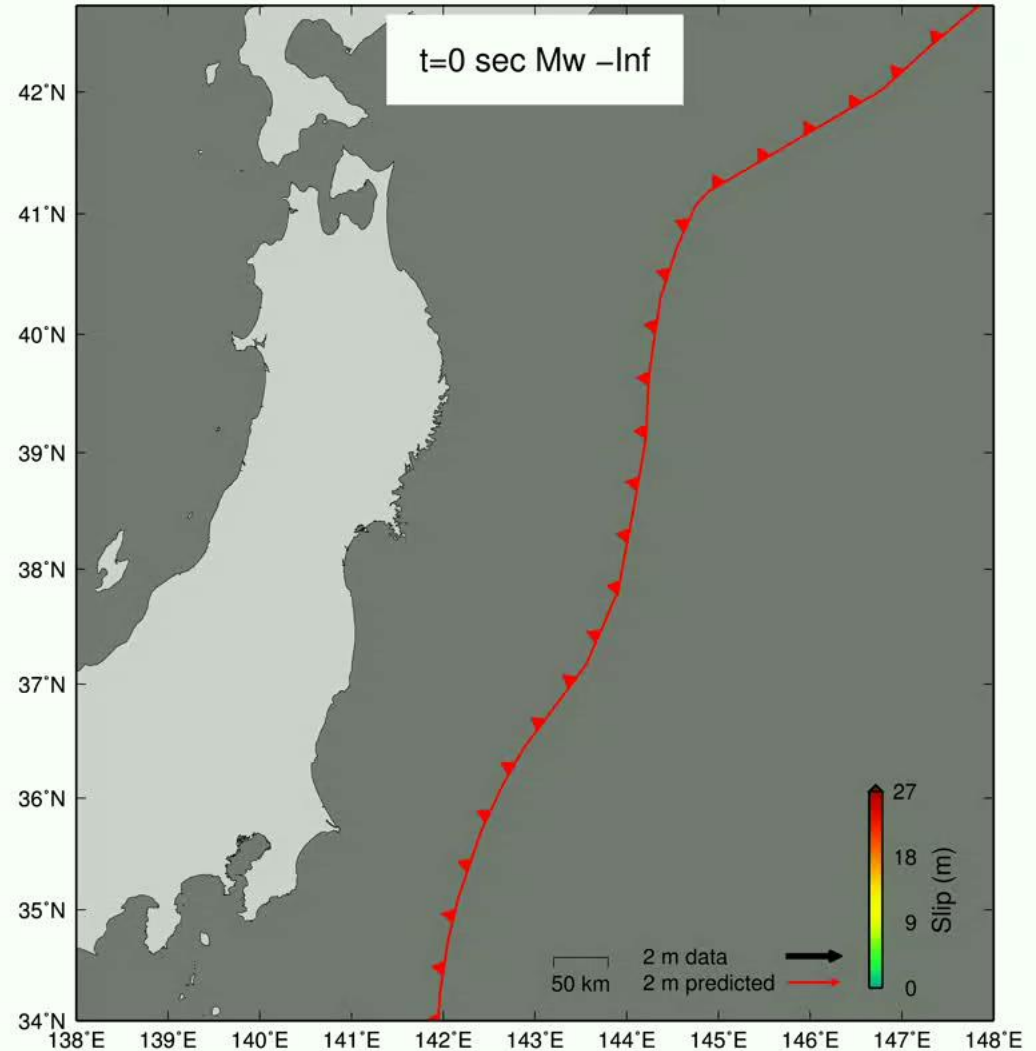
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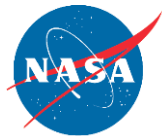
# Real-Time GNSS for Rapid Earthquake Magnitude Determination and Fault Slip Distribution

**Case 1 – model determines  
fault location**

S. E. Minson et al, 2013  
JGR

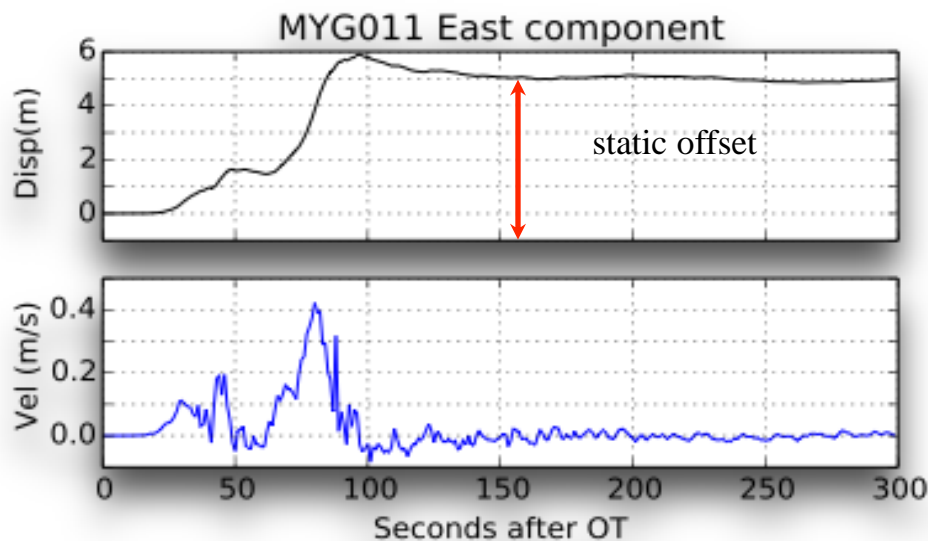




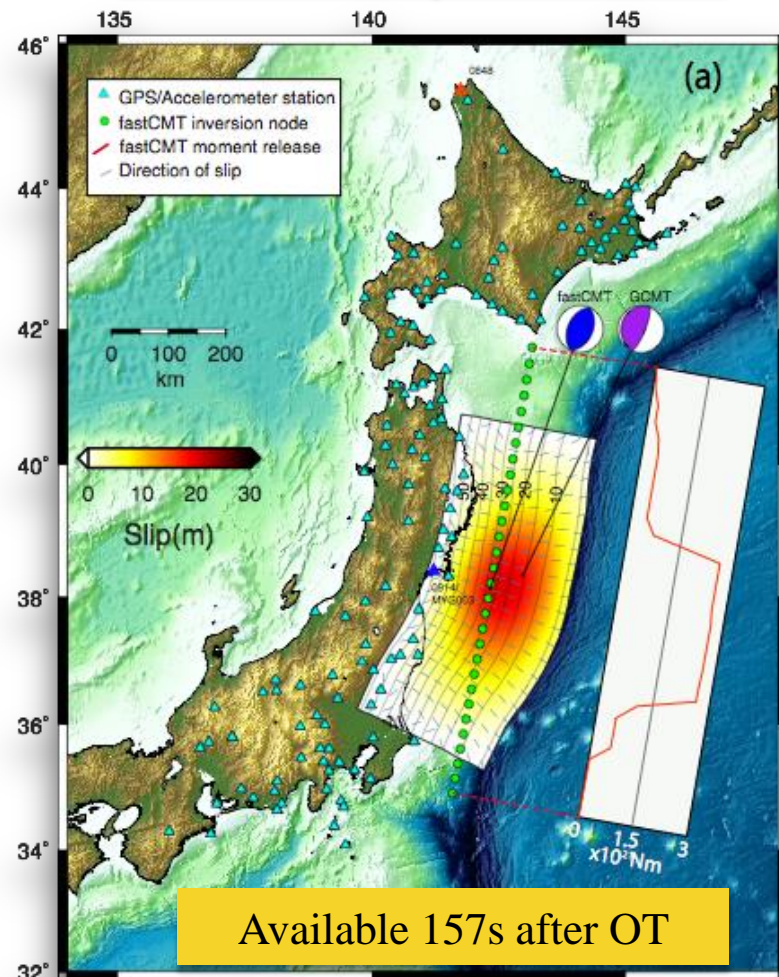


# GNSS Static Slip Model 157 seconds

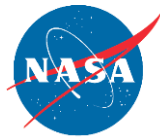
- Magnitude estimates from seismic data-only tend to saturate for large events.
- Regional seismic data are band limited, they cannot adequately capture long periods in real-time.
- Create rapid models with the GNSS static field
  - **Static = simple and fast**



## 2011 Mw 9 Great East Japan Earthquake



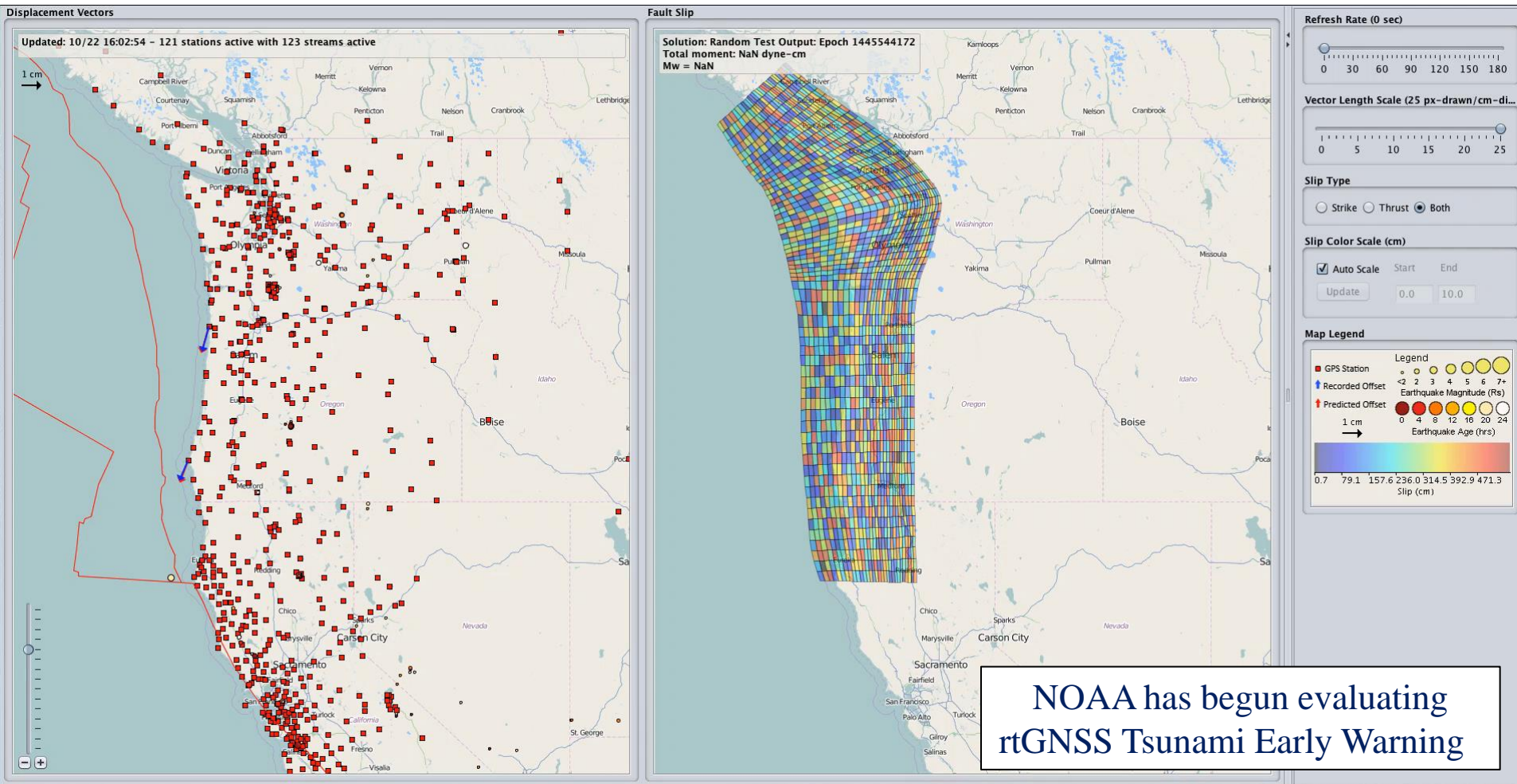
Source: Melgar et al., GRL, 2013



# GNSS Earthquake Source Model for a Predefined Fault

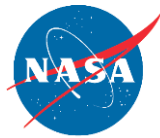
## Case 2 –Real-time displacements on a fixed fault surface

Prototype running in real-time on a fixed fault surface



Developed by the READI Working Group

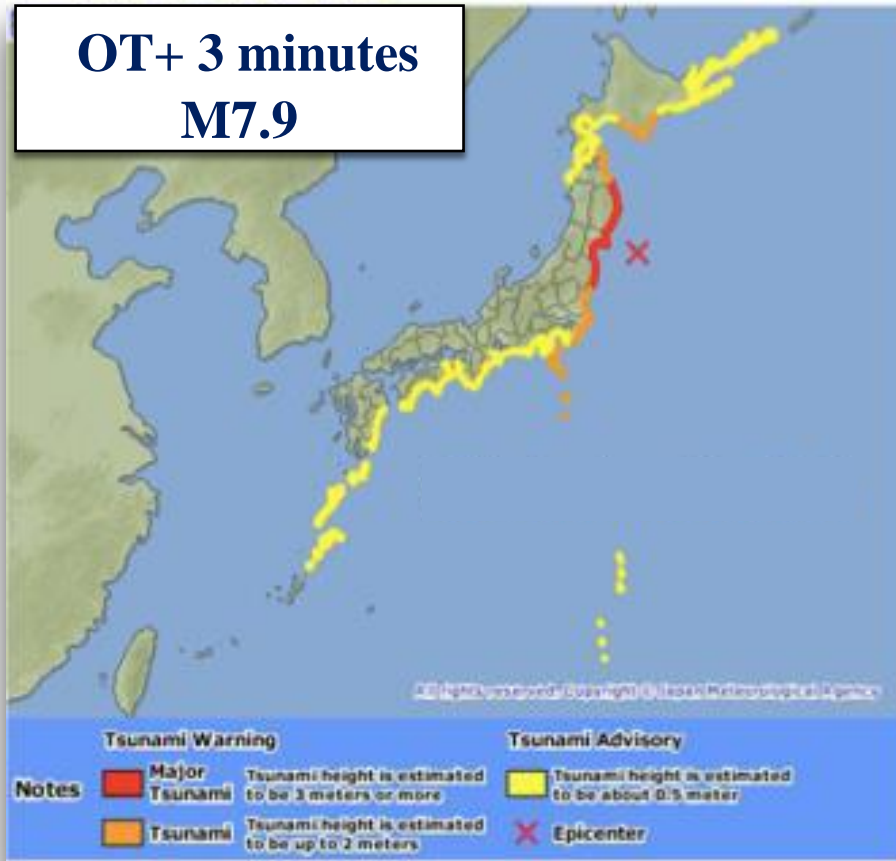




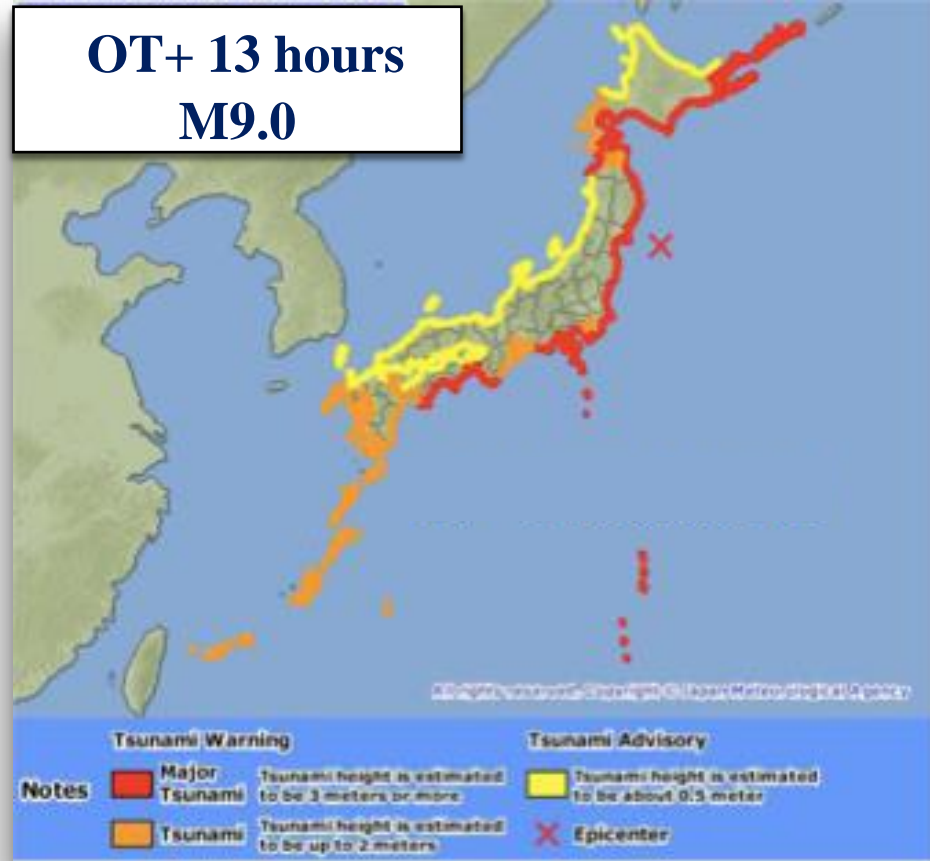
# Seismic Data Alone Underestimated the Size of the Earthquake

## *Fast and Accurate Magnitude Determination Is Essential*

OT+ 3 minutes  
M7.9



OT+ 13 hours  
M9.0



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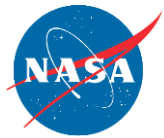
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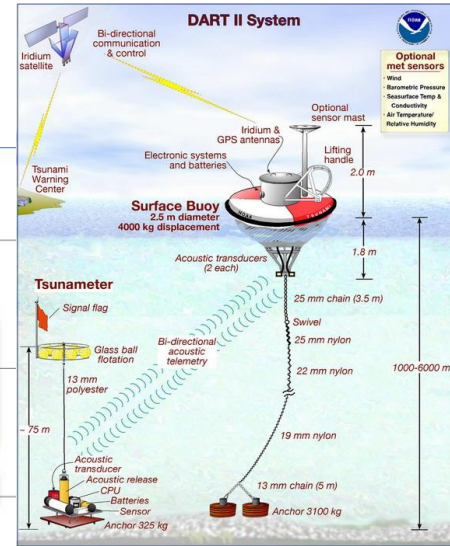
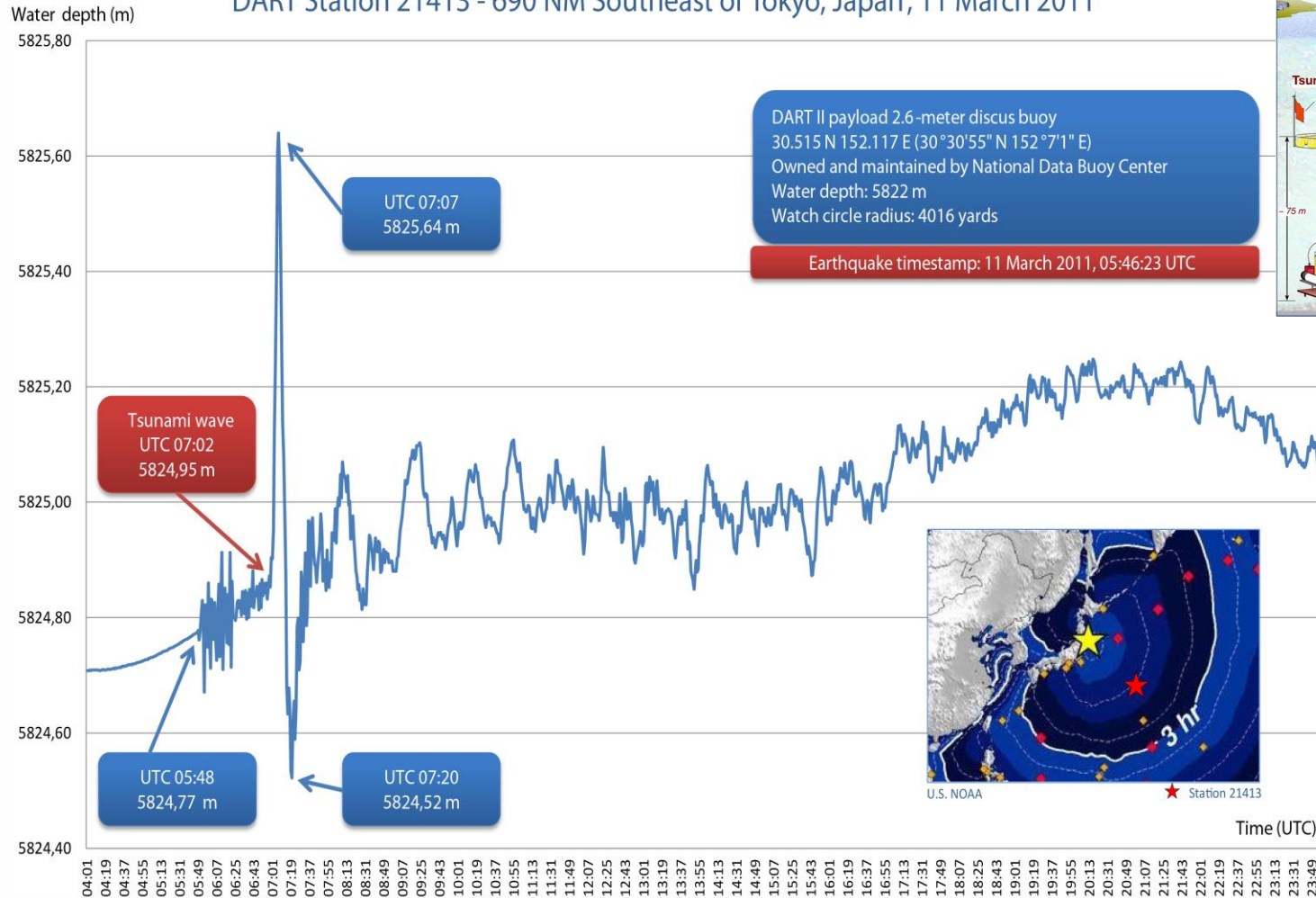


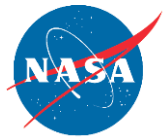


# Currently – DART Buoys are only way to track tsunamis in open ocean

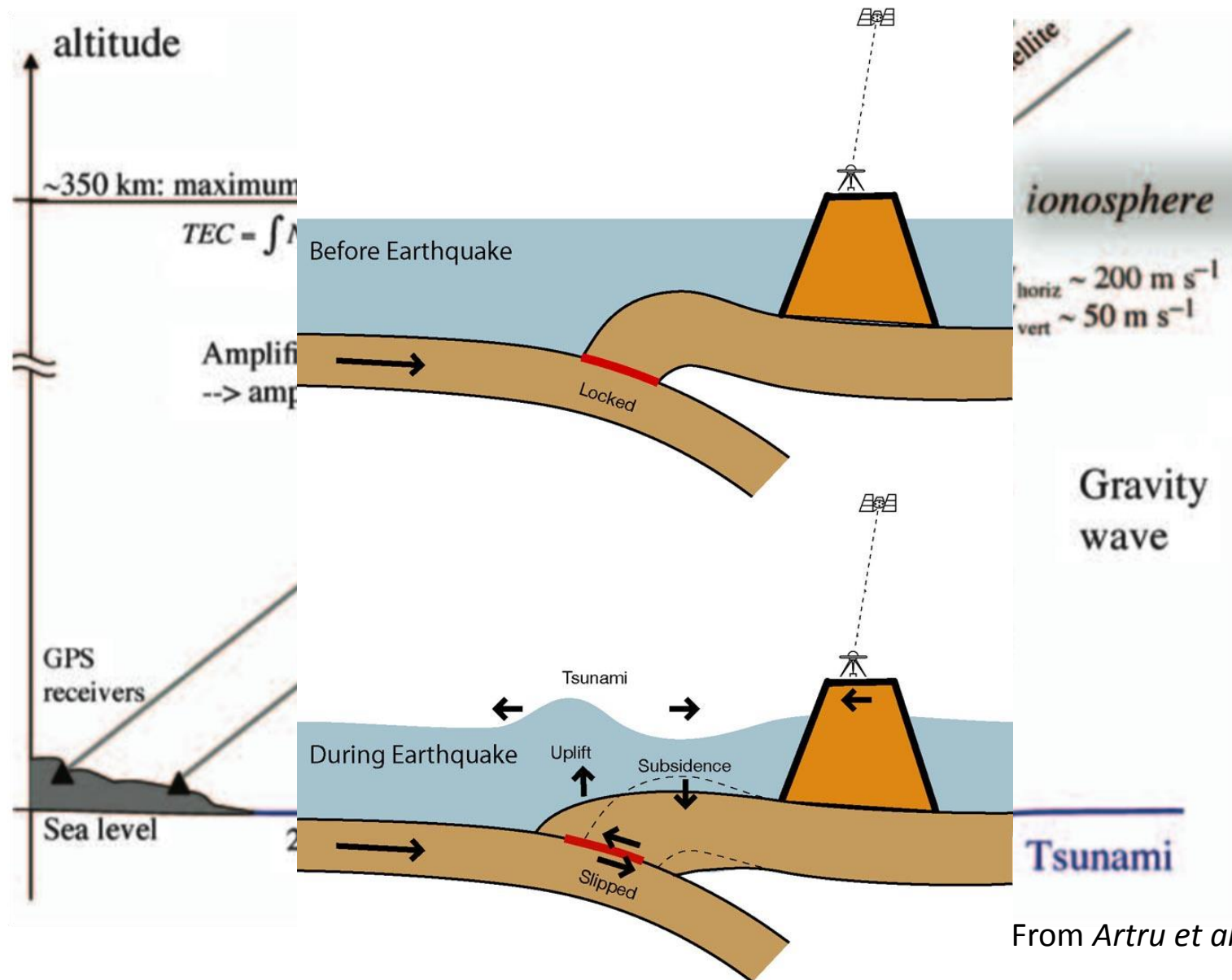


DART Station 21413 - 690 NM Southeast of Tokyo, Japan, 11 March 2011





# The Tsunami Generated Displacement of the Ocean Surface Couples to the Ionosphere

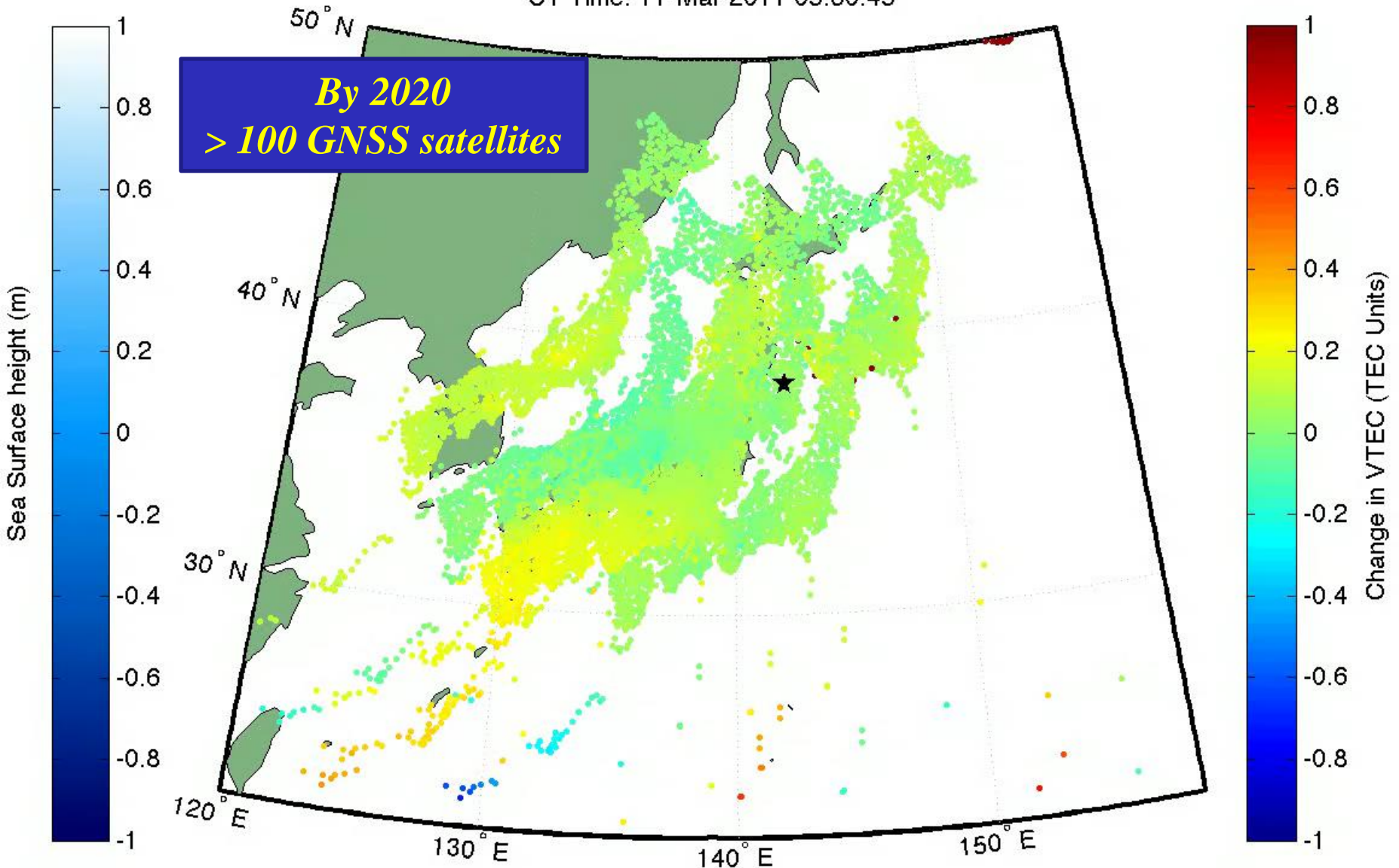


From Artru et al., 2005



# GSI's GEONET Captured the Ionospheric Coupled Waves and Imaged the Tsunami Generation and Propagation

UT Time: 11-Mar-2011 05:30:45



**Ionospheric Response to Mw 9.0 Tohoku Earthquake and Tsunami in Japan on March 11, 2011**, A.Komjathy, D.A.Galvan, M.P Hickey, P.Stephens, Mark Butala, and A.Mannucci, (<http://visibleearth.nasa.gov/view.php?id=77377>)

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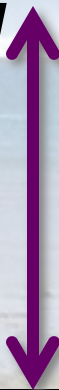
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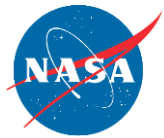
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# GNSS Earthquake and Tsunami Early Warning

Expanding the earthquake and tsunami early warning globally requires access to **shared real-time** GNSS data in areas that are:

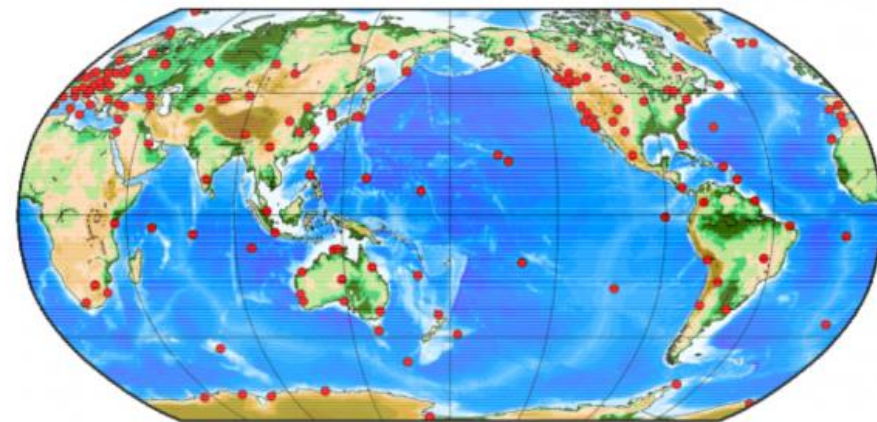
- Seismically active
- Coastal communities that may be impacted by a tsunami

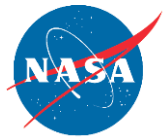
Partnership with regional/national tsunami and earthquake early warning Centers.

- The GNSS Early Warning approach enhances current capabilities

Partnership with the International GNSS and GGOS/IGS Real-Time Network Earth Observation's communities

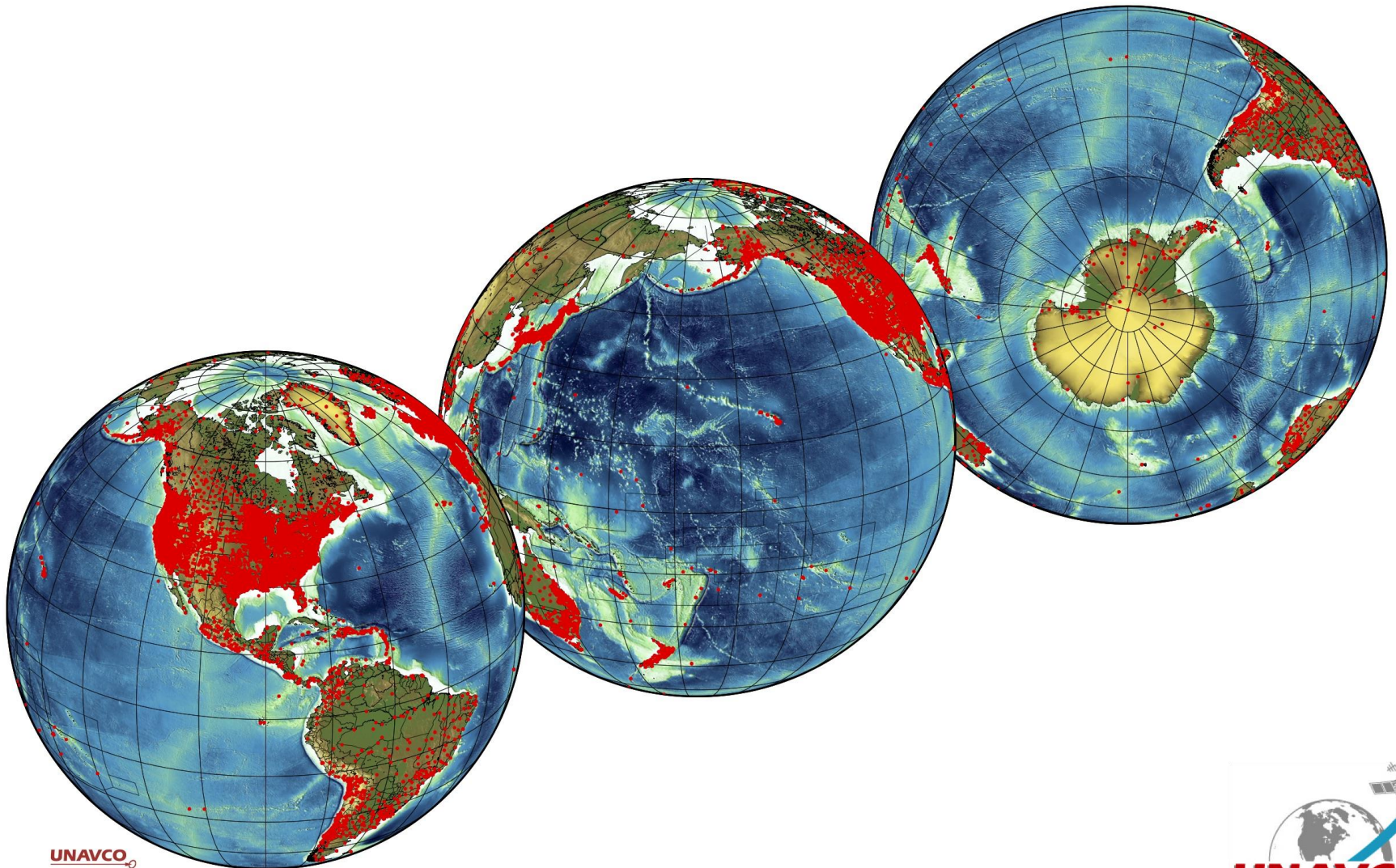
- ICG – UN International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems + UNOOSA
- IGS – International GNSS Service
- GGOS – Global Geodetic Observing System
- GEO – Group on Earth Observations
- CEOS – Committee on Earth Observation Satellites



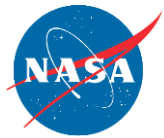


# Known and Publically Accessible Continuous GNSS sites – 14,667

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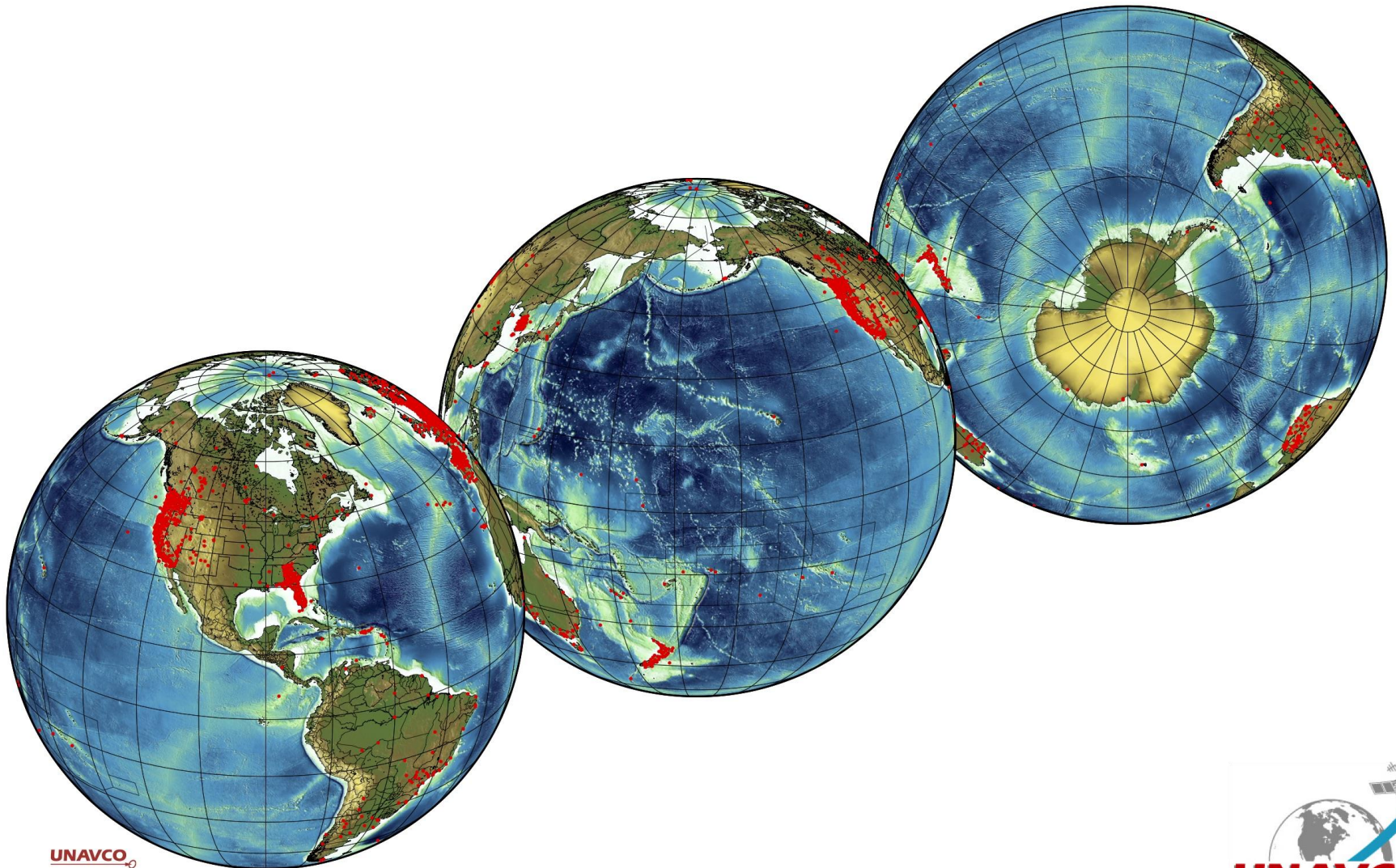






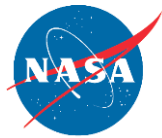
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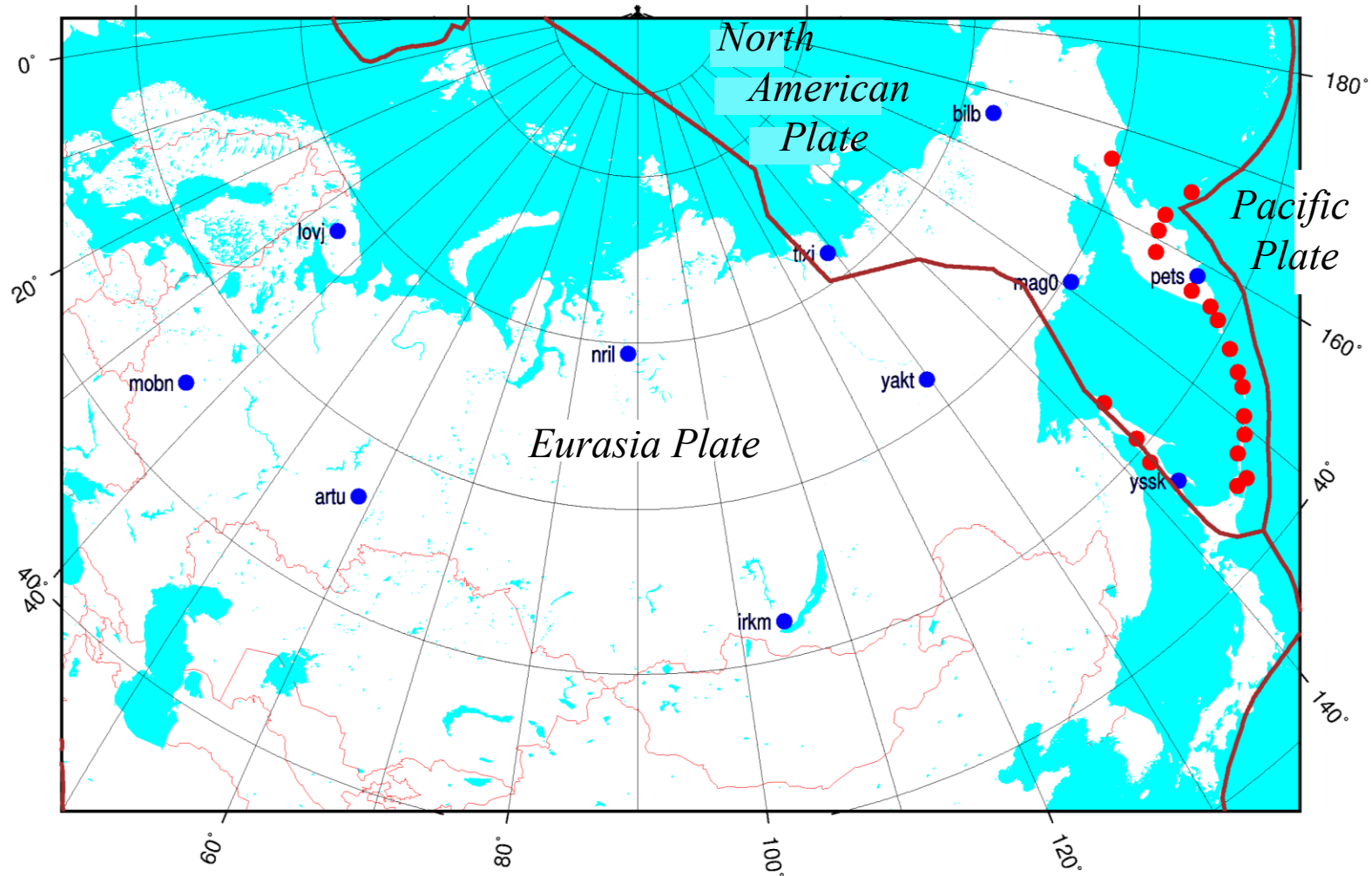
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# Continental and regional GNSS networks

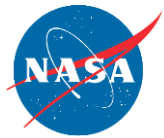
## Geophysical Survey Russian Academy of Sciences



- NEDA sites (according to IGS catalog)
- Pacific coastal sites (according to recent published research)



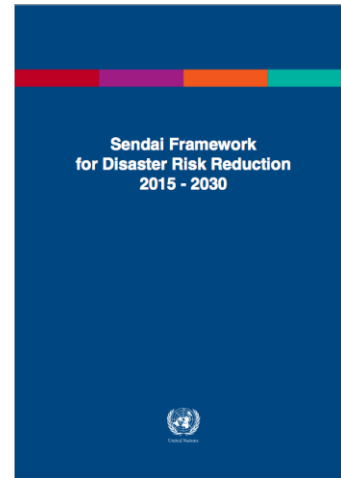




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## SENDAI FRAMEWORK FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

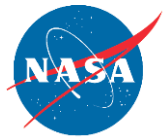
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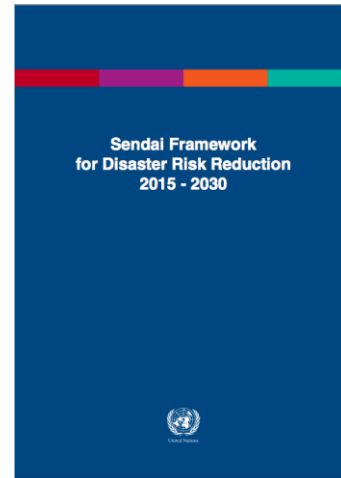




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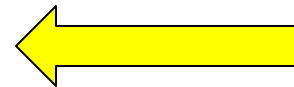
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### IV. Priorities for action

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**Priority 1: Understanding disaster risk.**



**GNSS 99.99% of the time  
Scientific Research**

*Priority 2: Strengthening disaster risk governance to manage disaster risk.*

*Priority 3: Investing in disaster risk reduction for resilience.*

*Priority 4: Enhancing disaster preparedness for effective response and to “Build Back Better” in recovery, rehabilitation and reconstruction.*





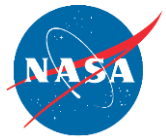
**Save the date**

**Real-Time GNSS Tsunami Early Warning Workshop**  
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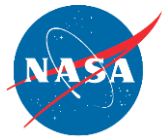
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# Backup Slides

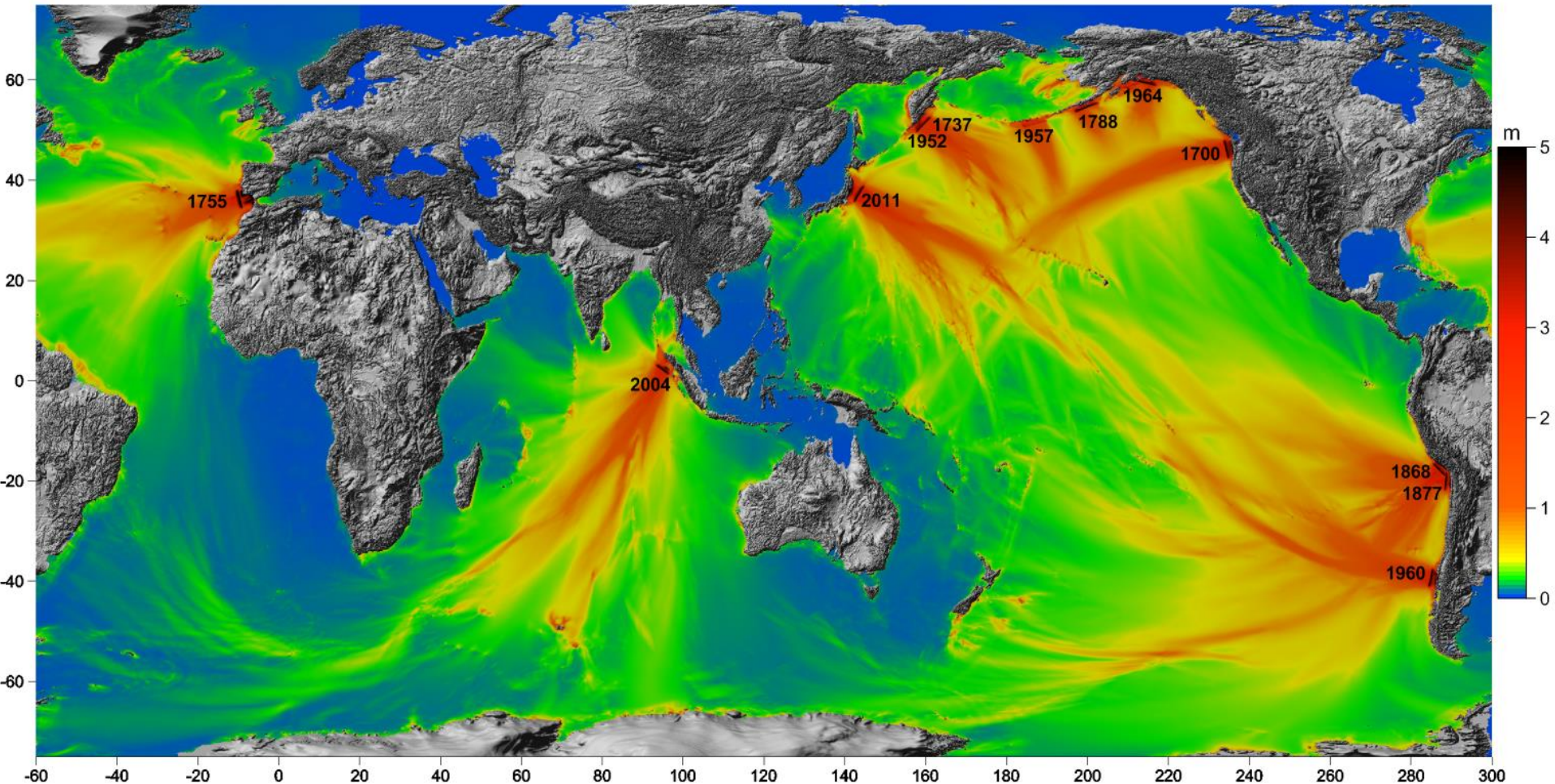
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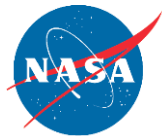
# The Significant Earthquakes Data Base

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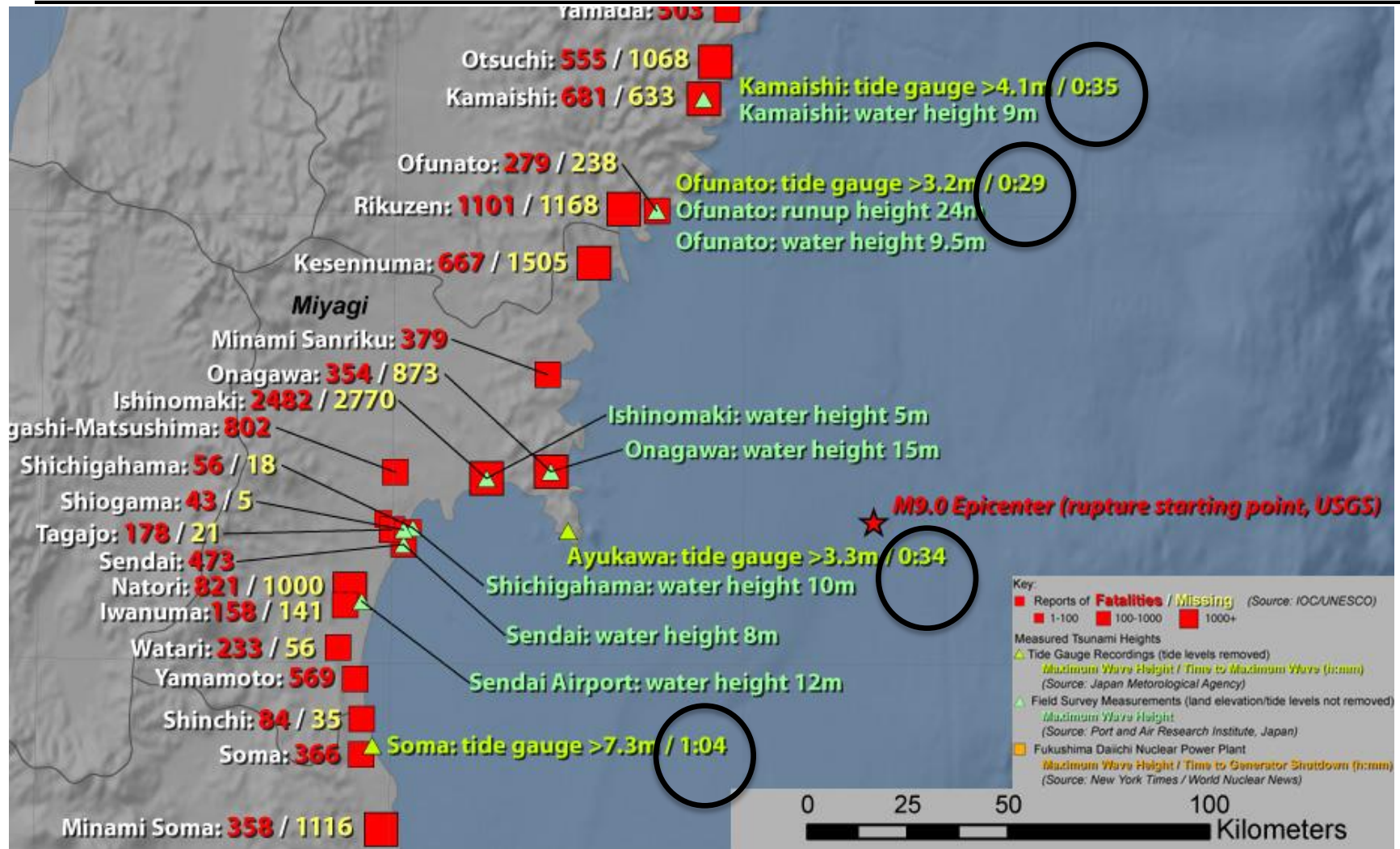


Energy flux for trans-oceanic mega-tsunamis historically known. Insert figure – distribution of fatalities over the tsunami propagation time ( up to **85%** fatalities occur during **the first hour**). Calculations are made in ICT SB RAS by means of MGC numerical package for tsunami modeling (Chubarov, Babailov, Beisel, 2011), Ref: Gusiakov et al,

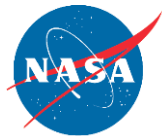




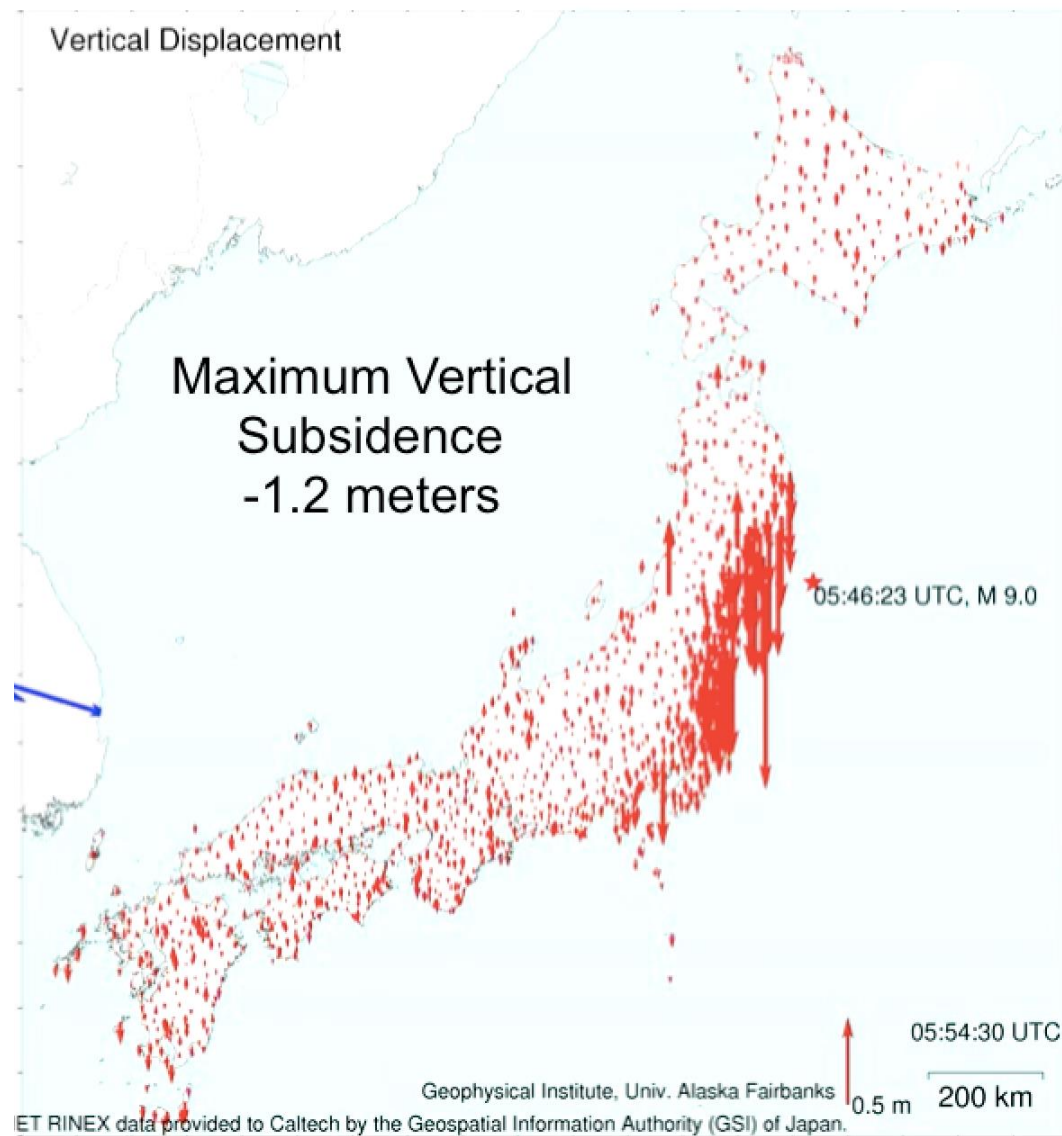
# Tsunami travel times for 2011 Mw 9.0 Tohoku-oki earthquake

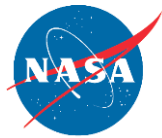




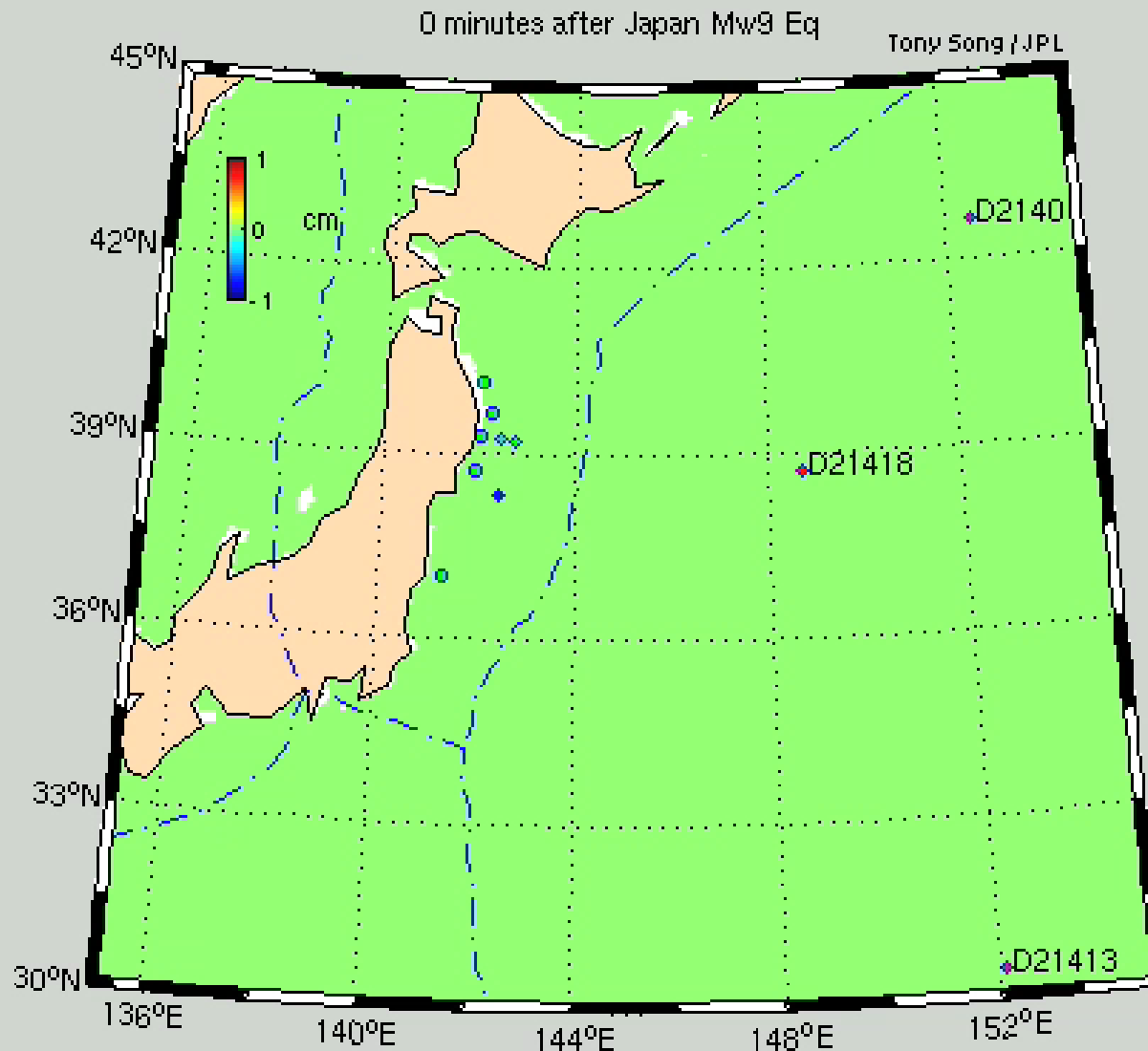


# Dynamic Coastal Inundation Maps rtGNSS + Tsunami Rise-Up models

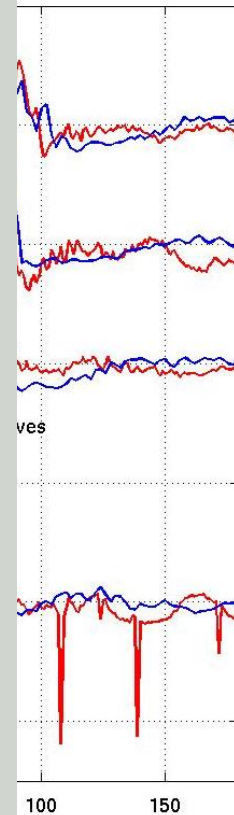




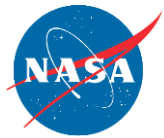
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Japanese  
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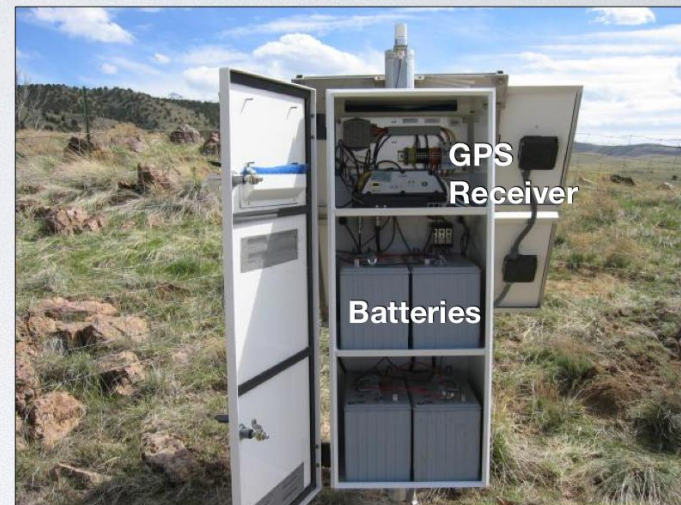
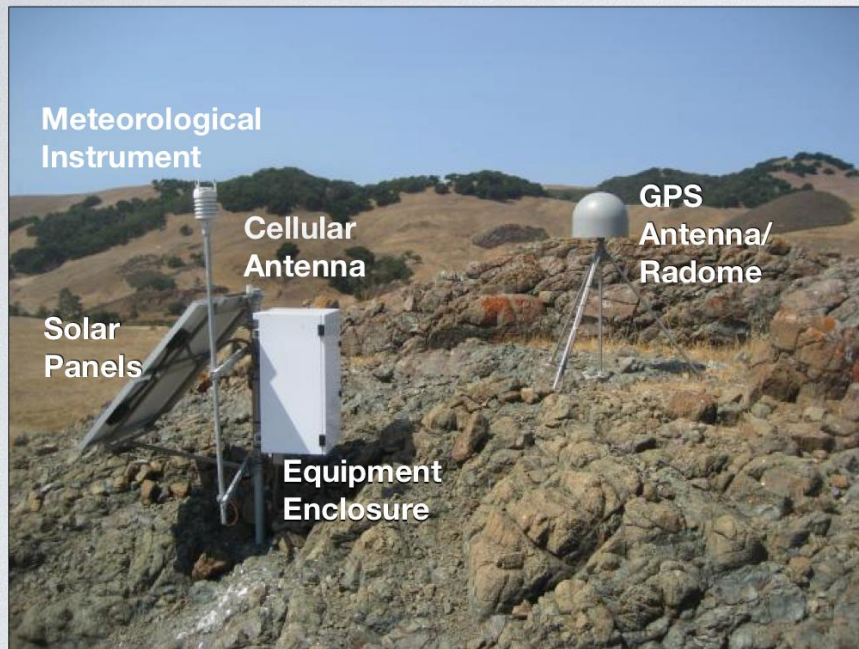
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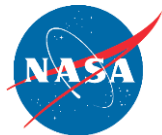
Costs to build a PBO-quality station:

- Deep Drilled-Braced Monument ~\$50K/station
- Shallow Drilled-Braced Monument ~\$25K/station

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## TYPICAL PBO GPS STATION





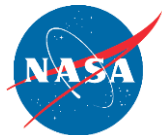
# GNSS Site Yearly Costs



## COST PER STATION PER YEAR

	Mean	Median	Min	Max	number of stations (n)
All Stations	\$5.8k	\$5.5k	\$3.9k	\$13.7k	1100
Critical Stations	\$6.1k	\$5.5k	\$4.0k	\$13.7k	331
Volcanic Targets	\$7.9k	\$6.7k	\$4.1k	\$13.7k	102
Alaska Stations	\$8.6k	\$7.5k	\$4.9k	\$13.7k	140
Low Strain Targets	\$5.2k	\$5.2k	\$4.0k	\$8.4k	260
High Strain Targets	\$5.5k	\$5.4k	\$4.0k	\$9.8k	628
Stable North America	\$5.0k	\$5.0k	\$3.9k	\$7.2k	28
Snow/Soil Moisture Targets	\$5.7k	\$5.4k	\$4.0k	\$13.2k	149





# GNSS Site Yearly Costs



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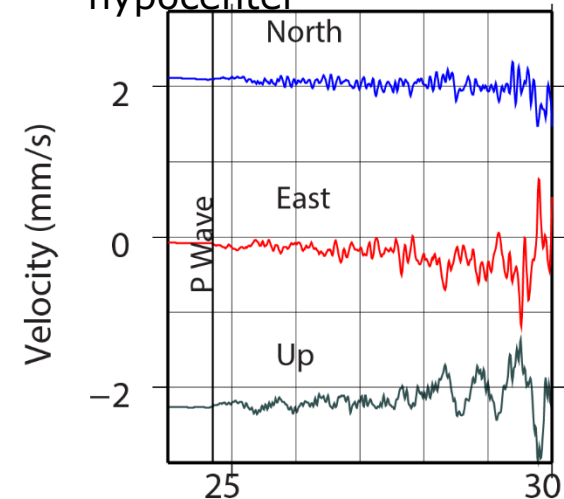
	Mean Cost Per PBO Station Per Year
Field Operations Fixed Costs (Facilities, Storage, Shipping)	\$255
Sub-Award Data Processing	\$365
Archiving and Data Operations (staff, servers, software, etc)	\$899
Realtime Data Handling	\$305
Field Travel	\$626
Labor (with fringe)	\$1,267
Materials/Supplies/Equipment	\$471
Station Permitting	\$469
Data Communications	\$386
Indirect Rate (15.79%)	\$796
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5.8k</b>



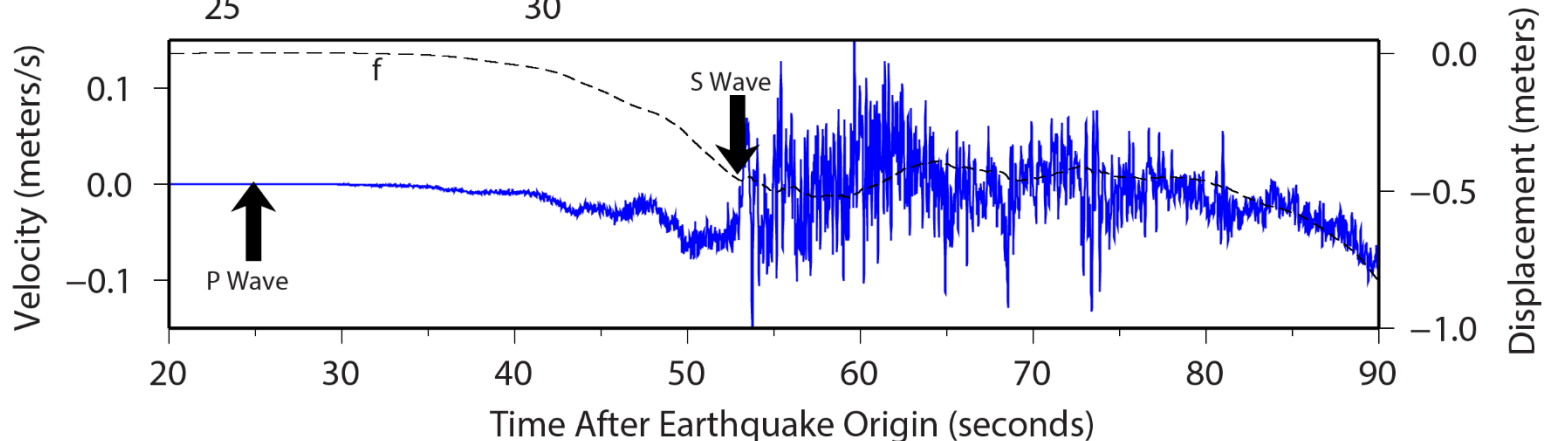
# Next Generation of GNSS will Include Accelerometers

## Seismogeodetic Earthquake Early Warning at Scripps Institute of Oceanography

2011 Tohoku-oki earthquake  
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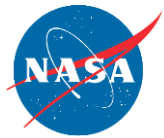


Seismogeodesy detects arrival of seismic  $P$  (primary) waves used in earthquake early warning to predict arrival and intensity of more damaging  $S$  (secondary) and surface waves, better than accelerometers alone for large earthquakes, because of magnitude saturation of latter (Crowell et al., GRL, 2013)

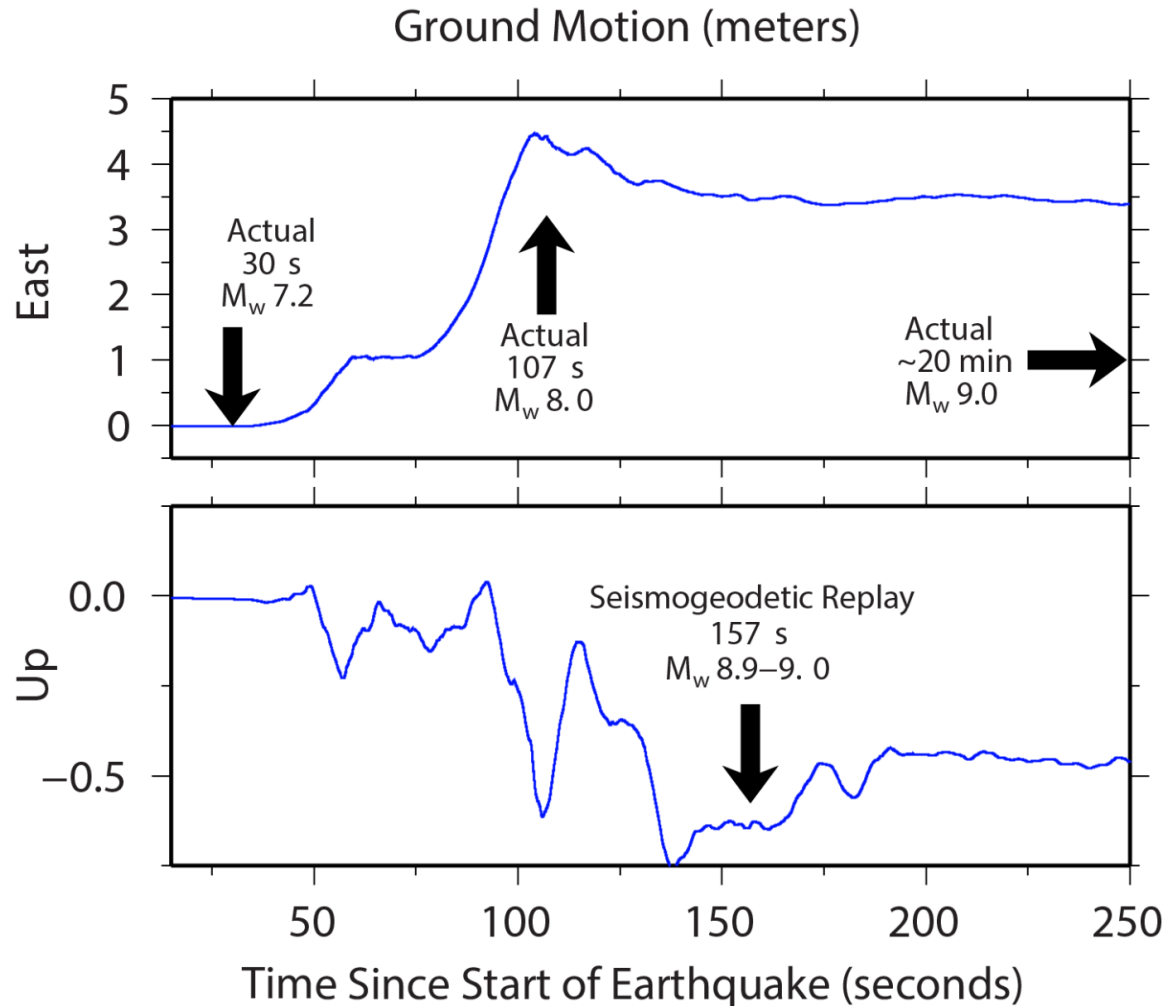


**Source: Melgar et al., GRL, 2013**





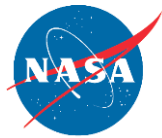
# Seismogeodetic Displacements and Magnitude Estimation



Seismogeodesy improves on traditional seismic monitoring by accurately determining magnitude of large ( $> M 7$ ) earthquakes without saturation and by estimating both ground motions and permanent displacements

2011 Tohoku-oki earthquake  
GEONET GPS station 0914 and K-NET accelerometer MYG003,  
155 km from the JMA hypocenter

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# Components of a Real-Time GNSS Tsunami Early Warning System

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- GNSS sites located in seismogenic region *streaming* phase and range in real-time
- Precise Point Positioning (PPP) estimates calculated and accessible in real-time
- Dynamic change detection algorithms – in real-time
- Earthquake source modeling – in real-time
- Tsunami source modeling – in real-time
  - Continued iterations as new GNSS data are available
  - Continued iterations as other data become available
- Integration of the rtGNSS derived source model into warning assessment and protocols
  - Initial rtGNSS solution
  - Iterative rtGNSS solutions
- Tsunami run-up modeling
  - Including GNSS vertical deformation measurements
- Ionosphere-tsunami linkage – wave propagation

