



# Tsunami Modelling with BASEMENT 3.0

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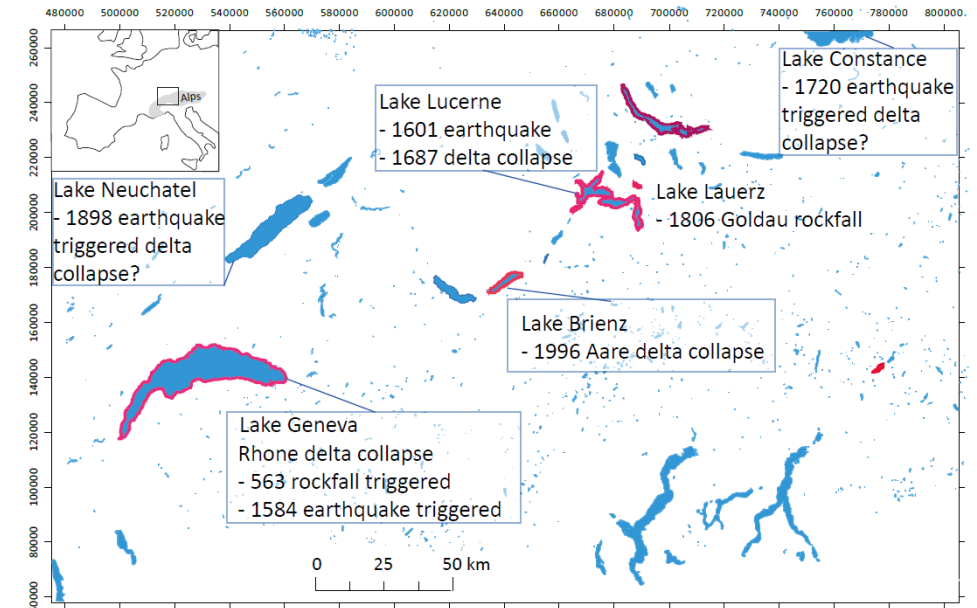


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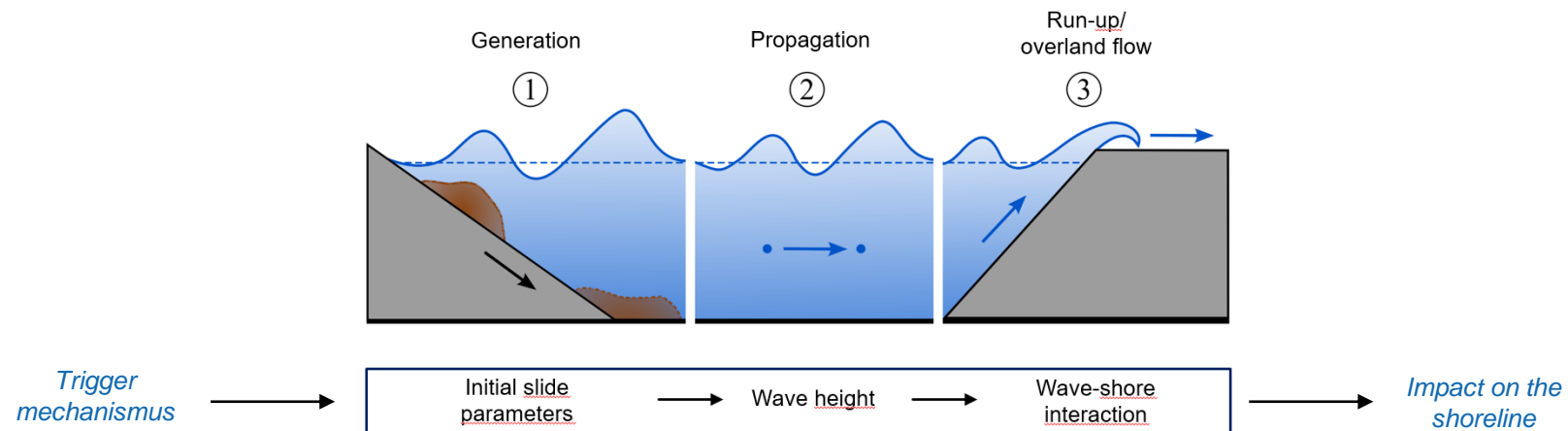
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- What controls wave propagation in narrow and confined lake basins?
- Which models allow best the simulation of propagation & coastal inundations?
- Can the simulations be matched with hydraulic laboratory modeling & historic event description?

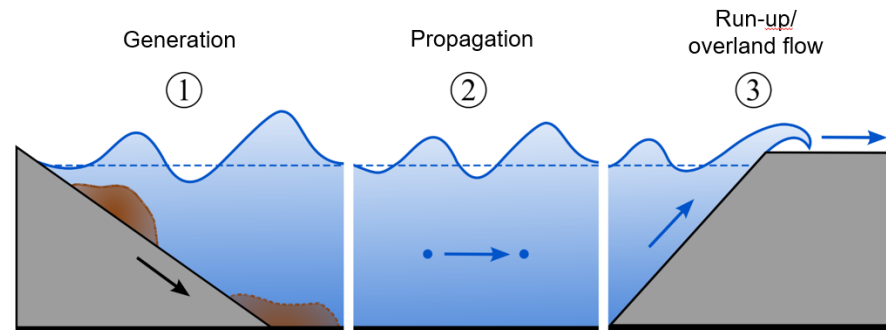


Key Properties: Lake Tsunami Modeling



Efficient Simulation Workflow

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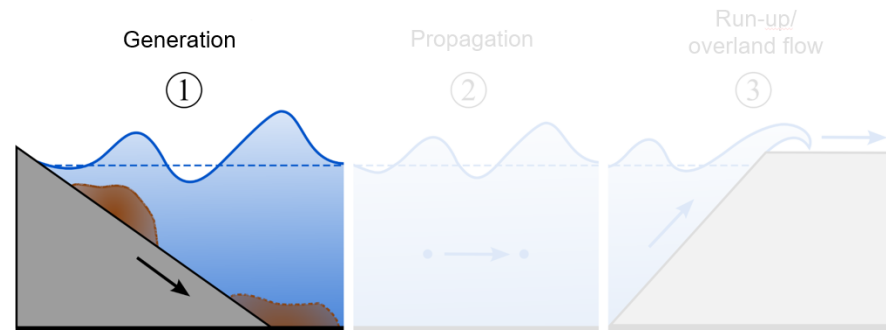


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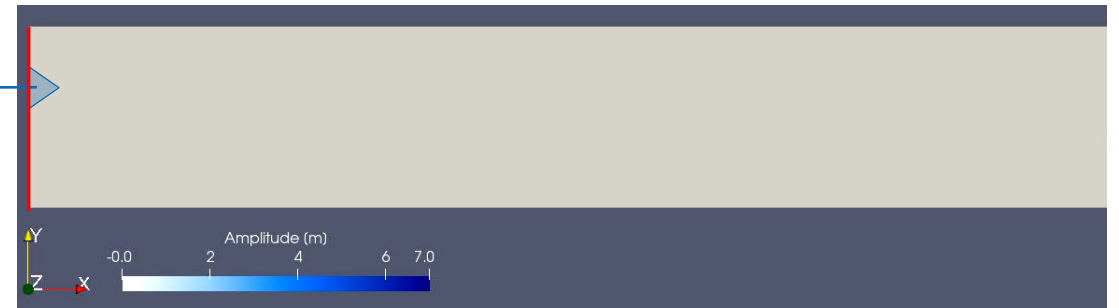
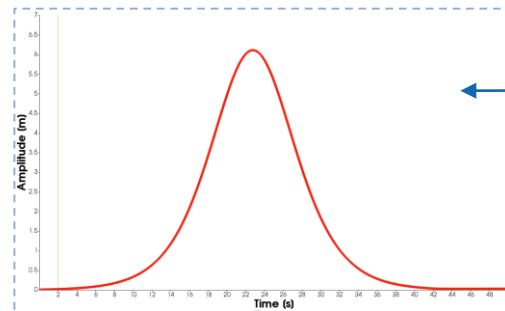
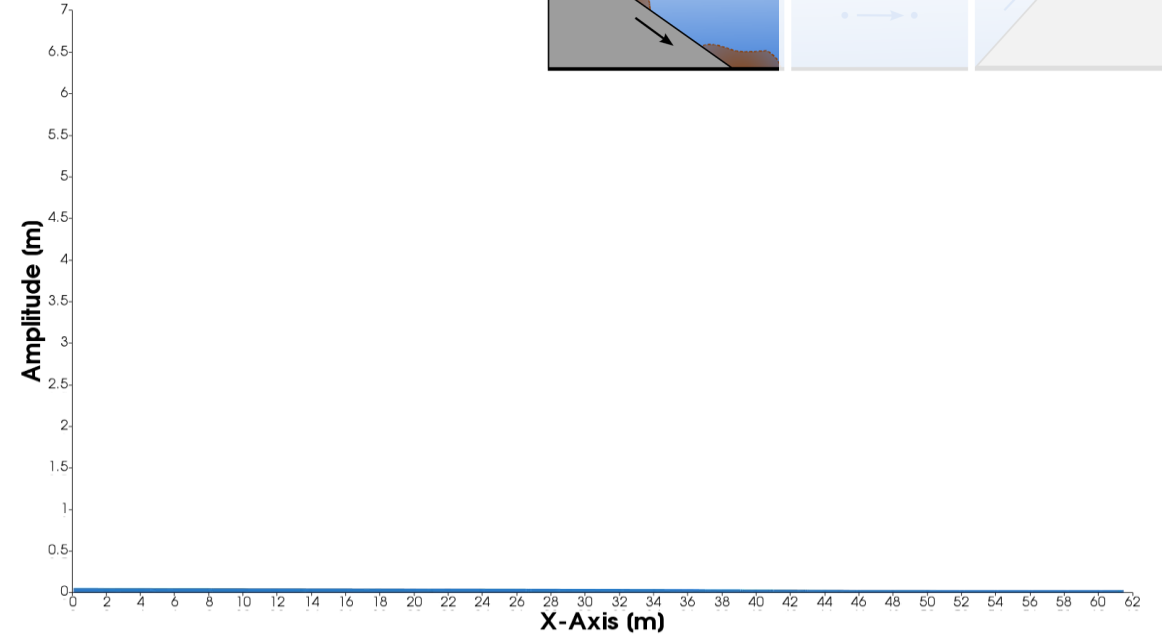
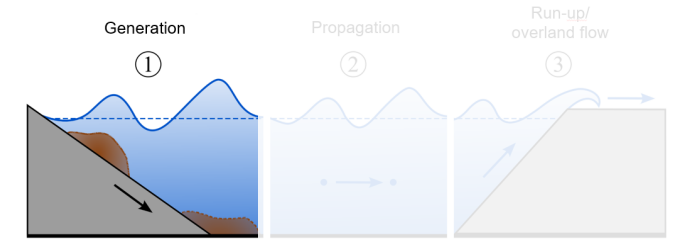
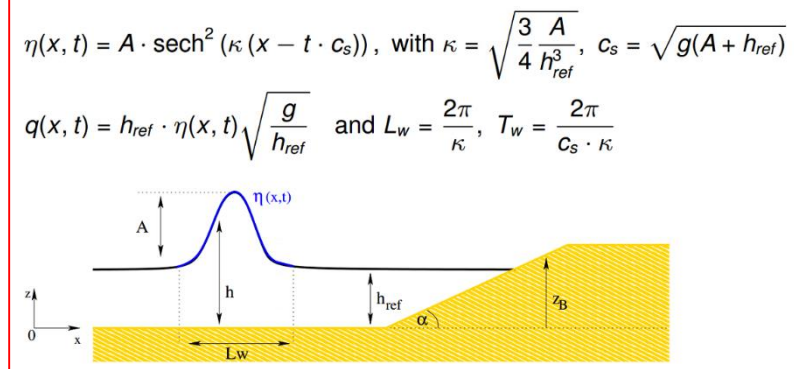
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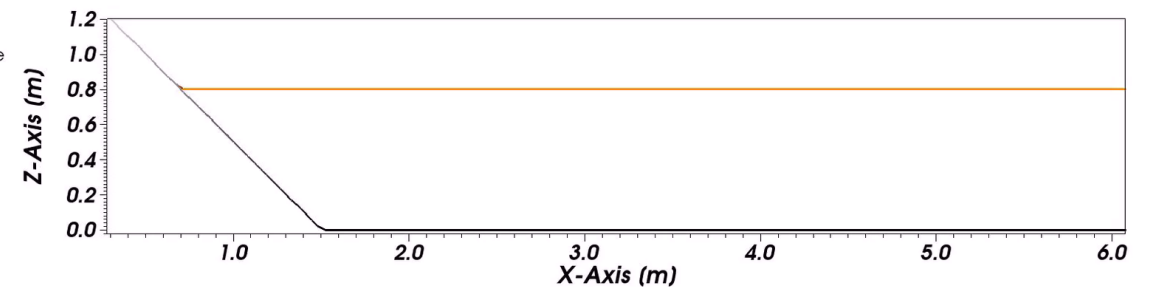
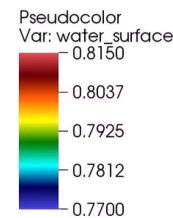
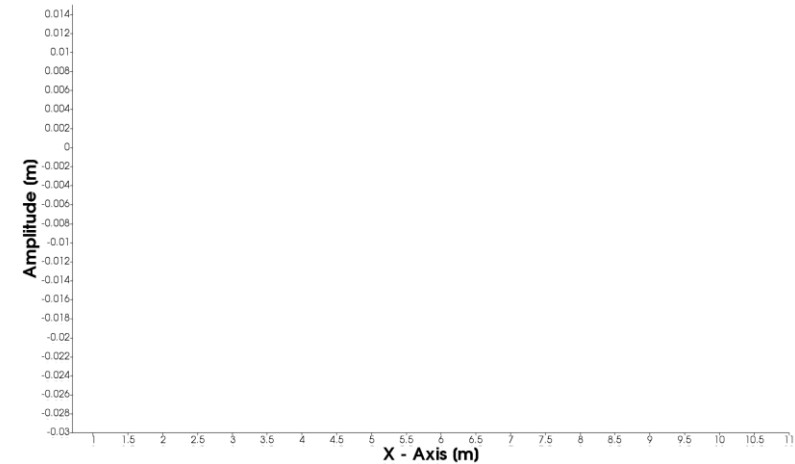
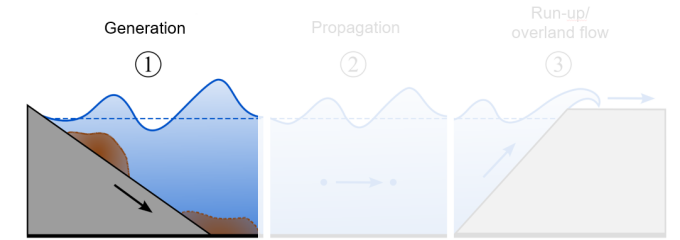
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- II. Bathymetry displacement

- $t = 0s$ ,  $h_{ref} = 0.8m$

$$z_B = \begin{cases} -1(x - 1.5)m, & \text{if } 0m \leq x < 1.5m & \text{Slope} \\ 0m, & \text{if } 1.5m \leq x < 7.1m & \text{Constant} \\ 0.2(x - 14.6)m, & \text{if } 7.1m \leq x < 14.6m & \text{Slope 1:5} \\ 0.4m, & \text{if } 14.6m \leq x \leq 17m & \text{Dry Land} \end{cases}$$

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$$z_B = \begin{cases} (1.5 - x)m, & \text{if } 0m \leq x < 0.8038m & \text{Slope} \\ (1.405 - x)m, & \text{if } 0.8038m \leq x < 0.97m & \text{Landslide} \\ (1.5 - x)m, & \text{if } 0.97m \leq x < 1.5m & \text{Slope} \\ 0m, & \text{if } 1.5m \leq x < 7.1m & \text{Constant} \\ 0.2(x - 14.6)m, & \text{if } 7.1m \leq x < 14.6m & \text{Slope 1:5} \\ 0.4m, & \text{if } 14.6m \leq x \leq 17m & \text{Dry Land} \end{cases}$$

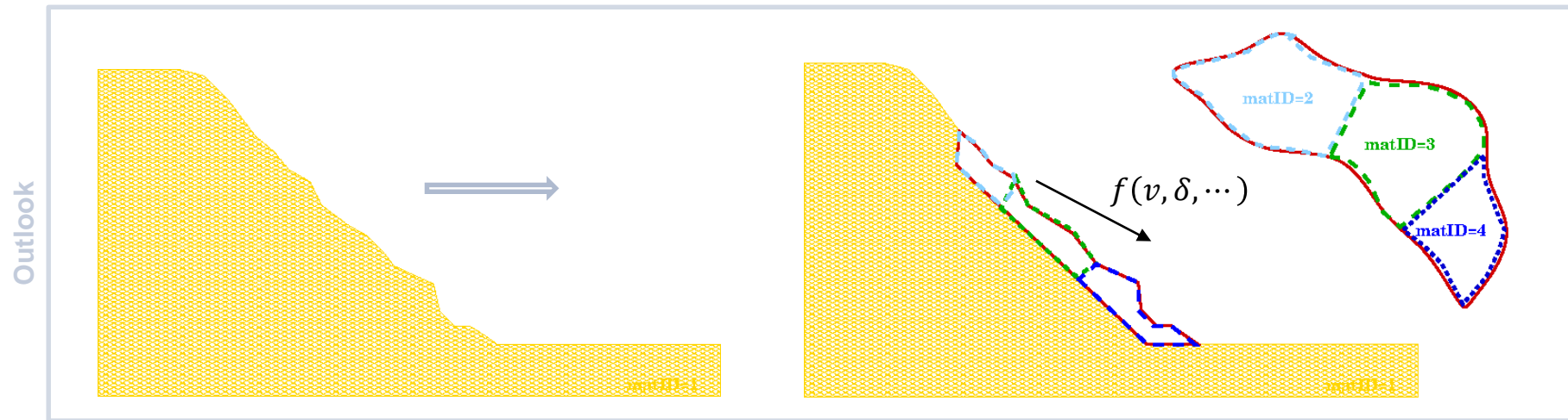
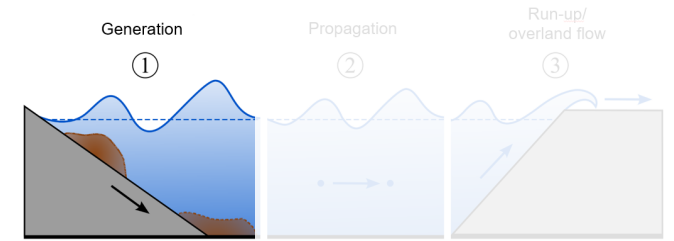




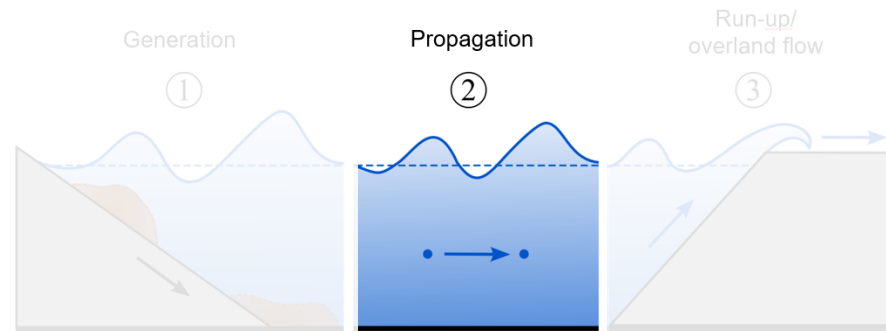
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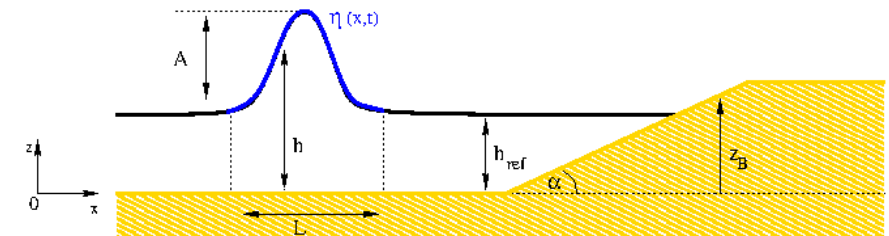
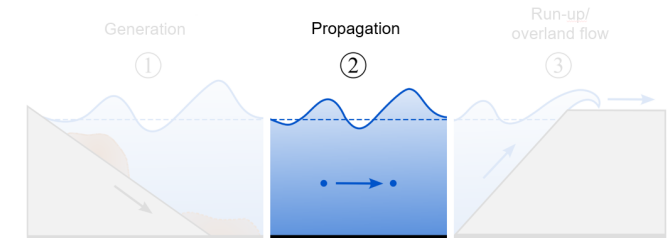
# Propagation of waves and what to consider

- **Tsunamis:** long waves compared to water depth

What mathematical model fits best?

- Depends on the **scales** of the physical problem
- **Shallow Water model:** no frequency dispersion ( ~ propagation time & shape of wave)
- **Frequency dispersion:** Boussinesq-type model  
 —————> important e.g. for landslide sources (cf. Løvholt et al. 2015) & non-linear effects

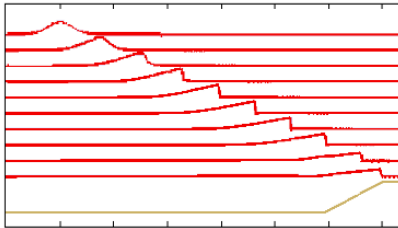
	Deep-water	Transitional-water	Shallow-water
Relative wave length	$\frac{L}{h} < 2$	$2 < \frac{L}{h} < 20$	$\frac{L}{h} > 20$
Wave celerity	$c = \frac{gT_w}{2\pi}$	$c = \frac{gT_w}{2\pi} \tanh kh$	$c = \sqrt{gh}$
Group celerity	$c_{gr} = \frac{c}{2}$	$c_{gr} = \frac{c}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{2kh}{\sinh 2kh} \right]$	$c_{gr} = c$
Wave length	$L = \frac{gT_w^2}{2\pi}$	$L = \frac{gT_w^2}{2\pi} \tanh kh$	$L = T_w \sqrt{gh}$



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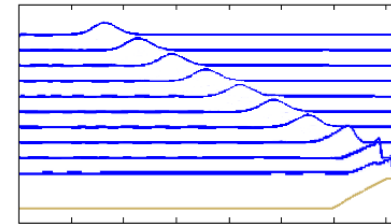
$$\begin{cases} \partial_t h + \partial_x q_x + \partial_y q_y = S_h \\ \partial_t q_x + \partial_x \left( \frac{q_x^2}{h} + 0.5gh^2 \right) + \partial_y \left( \frac{q_x q_y}{h} \right) + gh(\partial_x z_B + S_{fx}) = 0 \\ \partial_t q_y + \partial_x \left( \frac{q_x q_y}{h} \right) + \partial_y \left( \frac{q_y^2}{h} + 0.5gh^2 \right) + gh(\partial_y z_B + S_{fy}) = 0 \end{cases}$$



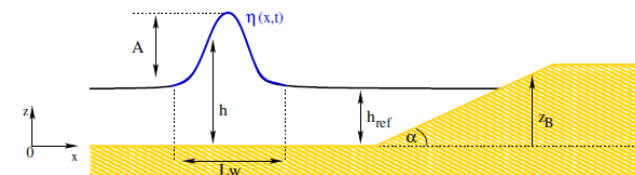
- Good for broken waves (shocks)
- Simple and efficient for run-up

- Boussinesq-type equations** derived from Schäffer and Madsen (1995)

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t h + \partial_x q = 0 \\ (1 - D)\partial_t q + \partial_x \left( q^2 + \frac{g}{2} h^2 \right) - gh\partial_x h_{ref} - Bgh_{ref}^2 \partial_{xx} (h_{ref} \partial_x \eta) = -f_D \\ D(\omega) = \left( B + \frac{1}{2} \right) h_{ref}^2 \partial_{xx} \omega - \frac{1}{6} h_{ref}^3 \partial_{xx} \left( \frac{\omega}{h_{ref}} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{1}{15} \end{cases}$$



- Accurate prediction of shoaling
- No intrinsic dissipation mechanism



- $h$  : water depth
- $q_x$  : discharge, x
- $g$  : grav. acceleration
- $S_h$  : lateral i/o discharge
- $S_{fx}$  : friction, x
- $z_B$  : bottom elevation

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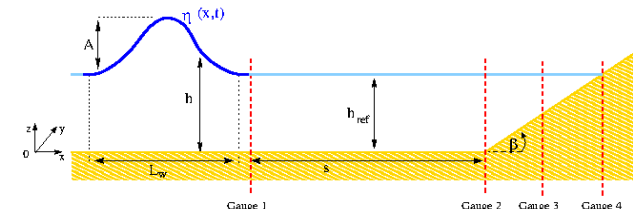
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	BASEMENT v3	BoussClaw (GeoClaw 5.6)
Under development since	2003	1994
Purpose of use	Teaching, research & projects	Teaching, research
<b>Hyperbolic systems of PDE</b>	<b>Shallow Water Eqs.</b>	<b>Boussinesq-type Eqs.</b>
Simulated dimensions	1- & 2-D	1- & 2-D
Numerical Approach	Finite Volumes	Finite Volumes
<b>Computational Mesh</b>	Unstructured	Structured
Multi-core CPU simulations	✓	✓
<b>Support of GPGPU acceleration</b>	✓	✗

## Typical scales of Lakes (cf. Lake Lucerne)

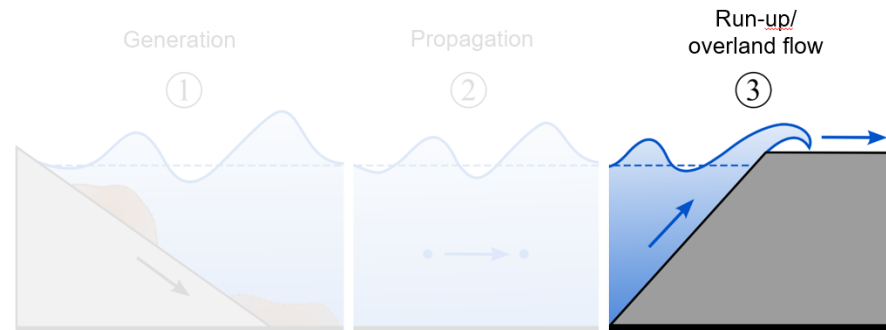
- $s = [800, 1600, 3200, 6400]\text{m}$ ,
- $h_{ref} = [40, 80, 120, 160, 200]\text{m}$  and,
- Generated wave amplitudes  $A = [0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 1, 2, 4, 6]\text{m}$ .
- Relative wave height  $\mathcal{E} = A/h_{ref}$  between 0.0005 – 0.15
- Wave length  $L_w$  between 749 – 64892 m
- Ratio  $(A+h_{ref})/L_w$  between 0.0031 – 0.061

Errors < +0.06%



Legend:  
 $\eta(x,t)$  : wave shape  
 $A$  : wave amplitude  
 $h$  : water column height  
 $h_{ref}$  : still water reference height  
 $s$  : propagation distance with constant bathymetry  
 $\beta$  : slope angle for the run-up shoreline

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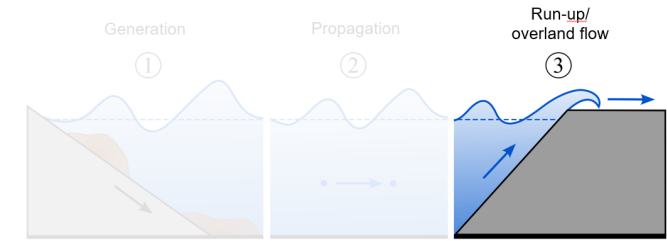
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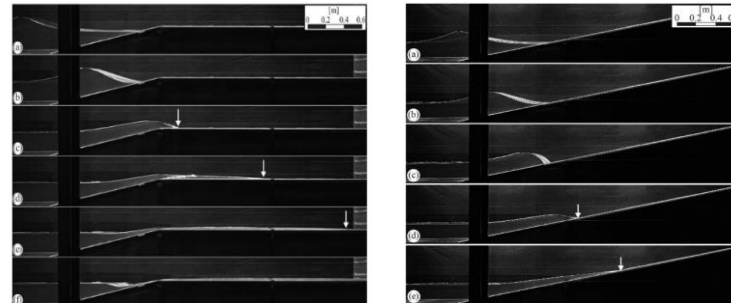
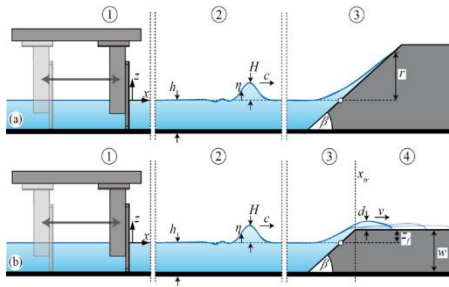
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Strong dependance from shoreline geometry



Validation of BASEMENT v3 against experiments of Fuchs PhD (2013)

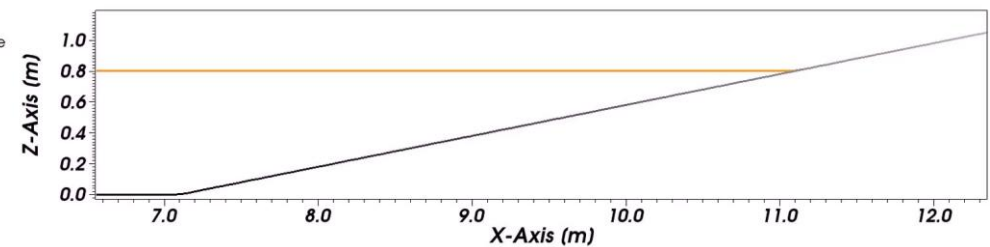
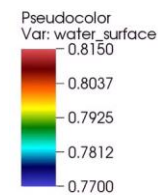
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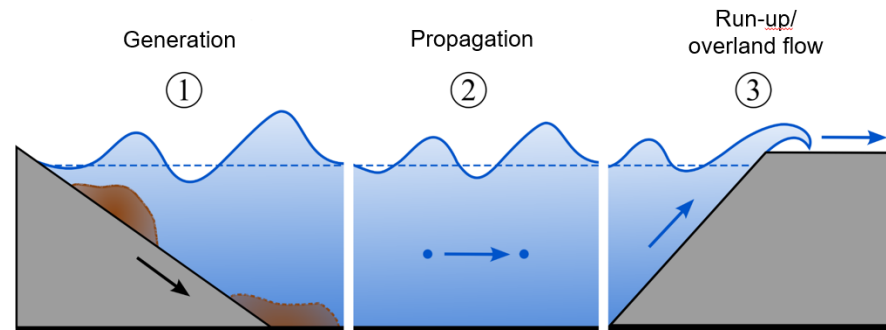
Run-up of Solitary Wave on Slope 1:5 for  $h_{ref} = 0.2\text{m}$ ,  $\varepsilon = A/h_{ref} = 0.1$

Relative run-up height  $R = r / h_{ref}$

- Numerical: BMv3,  $R \approx 1.26$
- Experimental: from H. Fuchs PhD (2013),  $R = 1.25$



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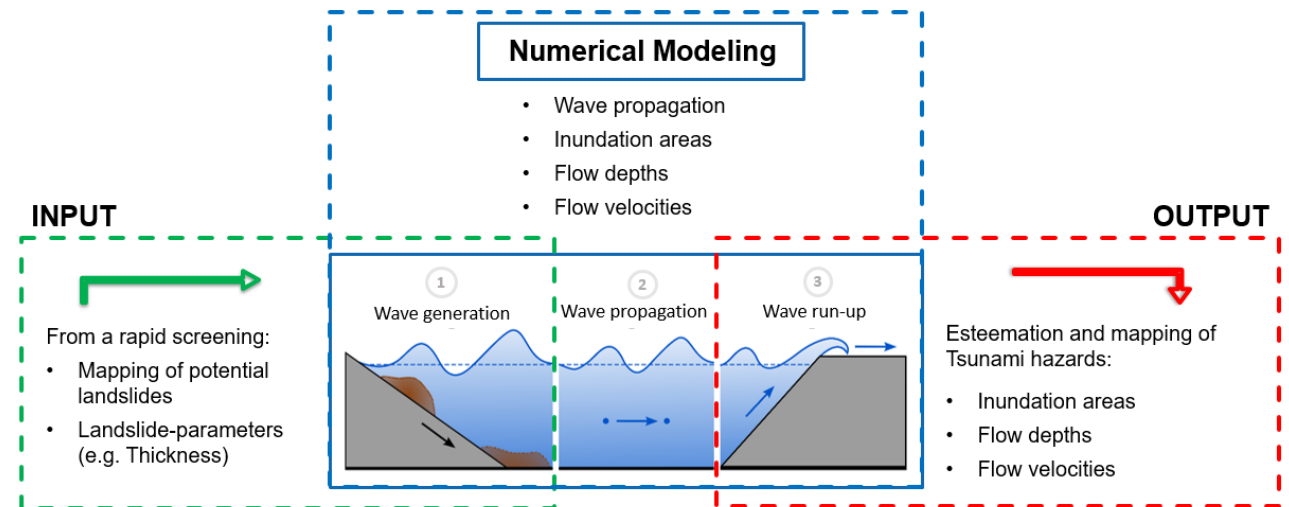
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# Proof of concept – Workflow for BASEMENT 3.0 simulation

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2. Elevation dataset: Altitude of shoreline area around Lake Lucerne



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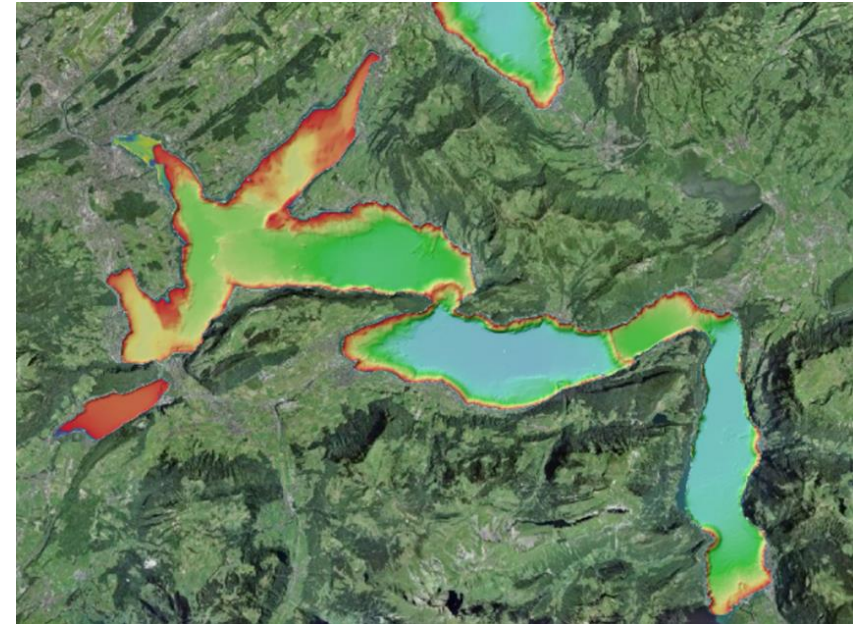
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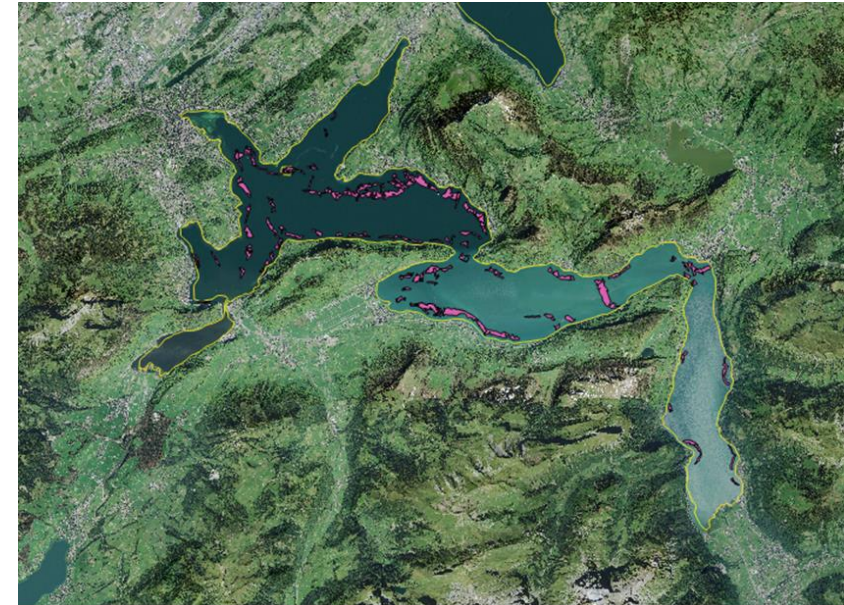
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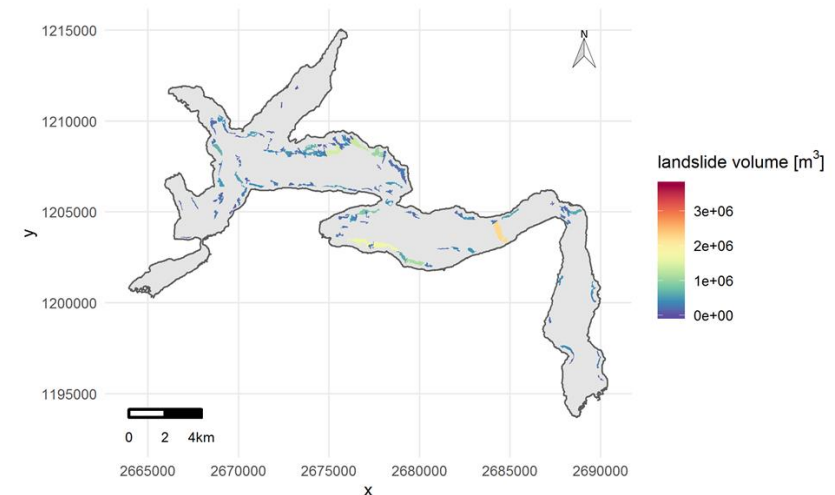
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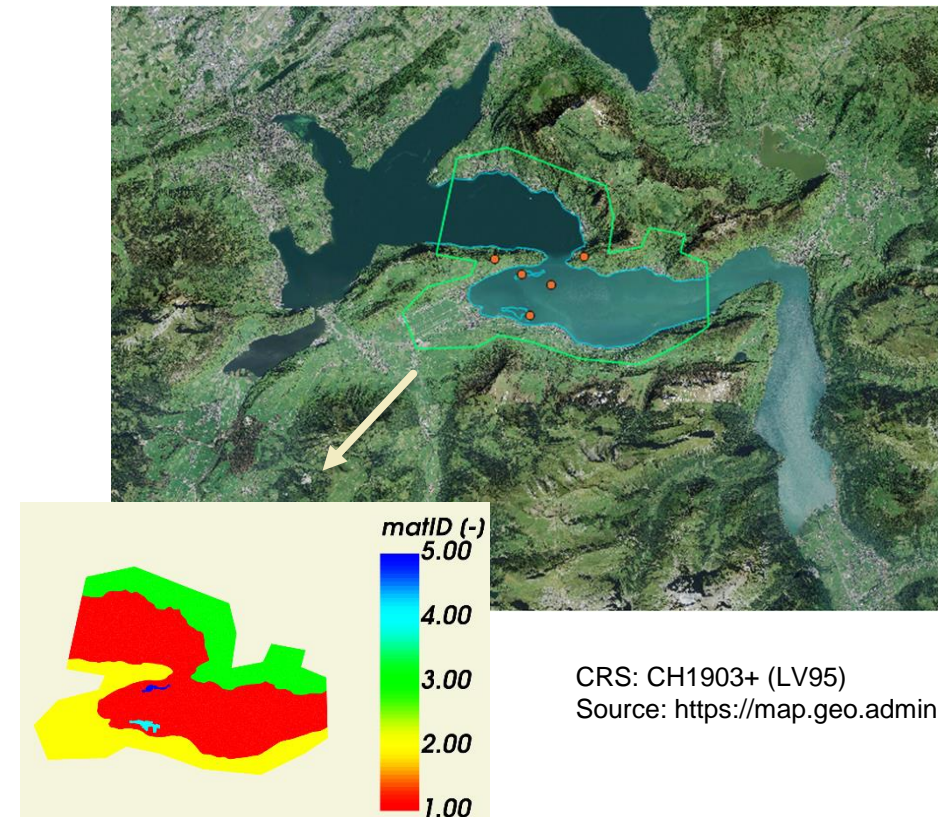
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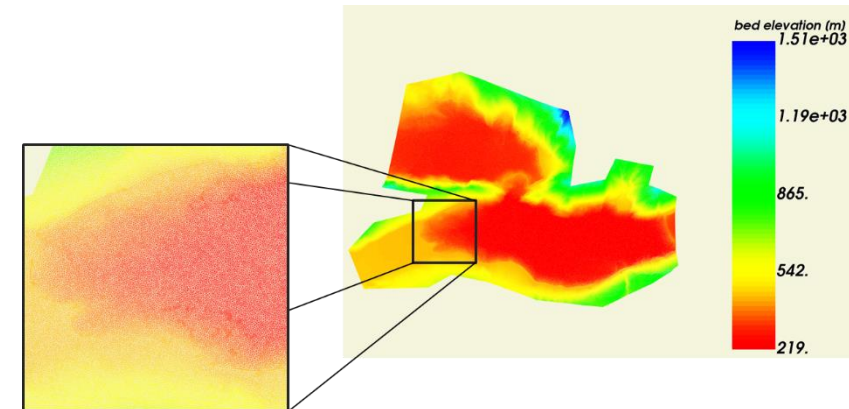
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  - 4.1. Volume of landslide, dynamics\*
  - 4.2. Elevation of water at rest
5. Grid generation
  - 5.1 Domain definition, lake breaklines
  - 5.2 Assignment of properties
6. Simulation



## Case Study

5. Grid definition: Bed elevation information and mesh detail for the simulation



# Proof of concept on Lake Lucerne

Case Study

## Initial conditions:

- Water surface: 434m a.s.l. [Source: <https://www.hydrodaten.admin.ch/de/2207.html>]
- Two submerged landslides
  - “upper” ( $\Delta = -5\text{m}$ )
  - “lower” ( $\Delta = -7\text{m}$ )



- Area of a single cell:  $400\text{m}^2$
- Simulated time since landslides: 160s

## Time needed for simulation, 324k cells

- 1 thread (CPU): 220.1s
- 8 threads (CPU): 63.5s
- GPU: 9.25s

Case Study

## 6. Simulation – coarse grid



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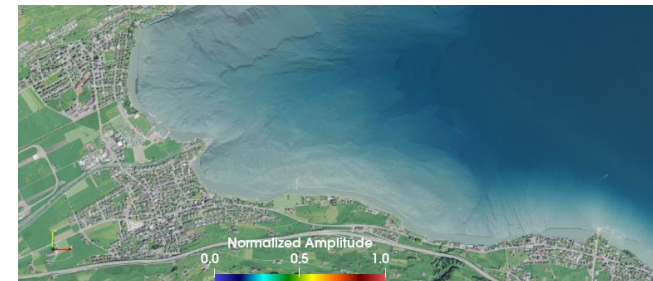
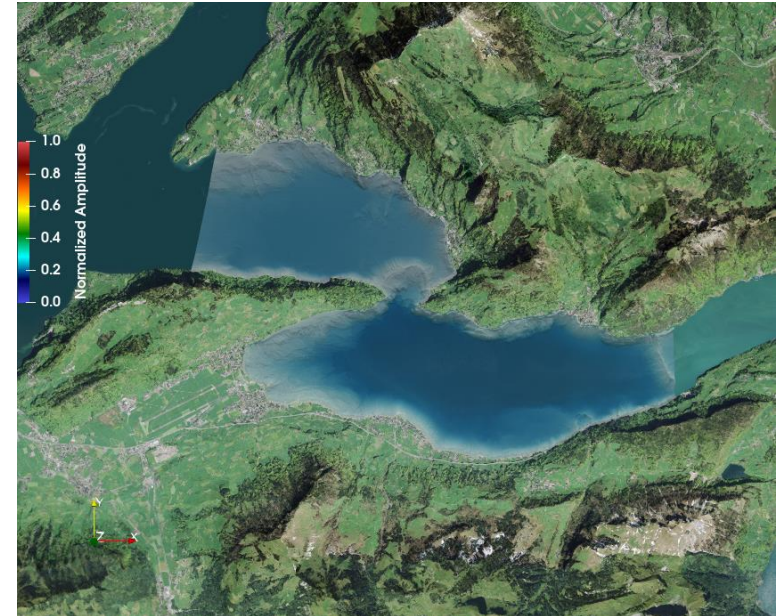
- Area of a single cell:  $50\text{m}^2$
- Simulated time since landslides: 160s

## Time needed for simulation, 2.6million cells

- GPU: 103.3s

Case Study

## 6. Simulation – fine grid



# Conclusions and Outlook

## Conclusions

- ✓ BASEMENT 3.0 for tsunami modelling
- ✓ Tsunami wave can be generated via two different approaches
- ✓ Mathematical Model in BASEMENT 3.0 from first checks: suitable for the considered lake scales
- ✓ Qualitative proof of concept of wave generation, propagation & run-up on selected case study of Lake Lucerne

## Outlook

- Conclude validation for suitability of the mathematical model on the lake scales (e.g. modify parameters,...)
- Novel formulation to allow as input a function for describing the landslide dynamics
- Investigation of impact of shoreline geometries for inundation
- Validate Tsunami Modelling via BASEMENT 3.0 with historical events