

Coastal Hazards and Disaster Risk Reduction

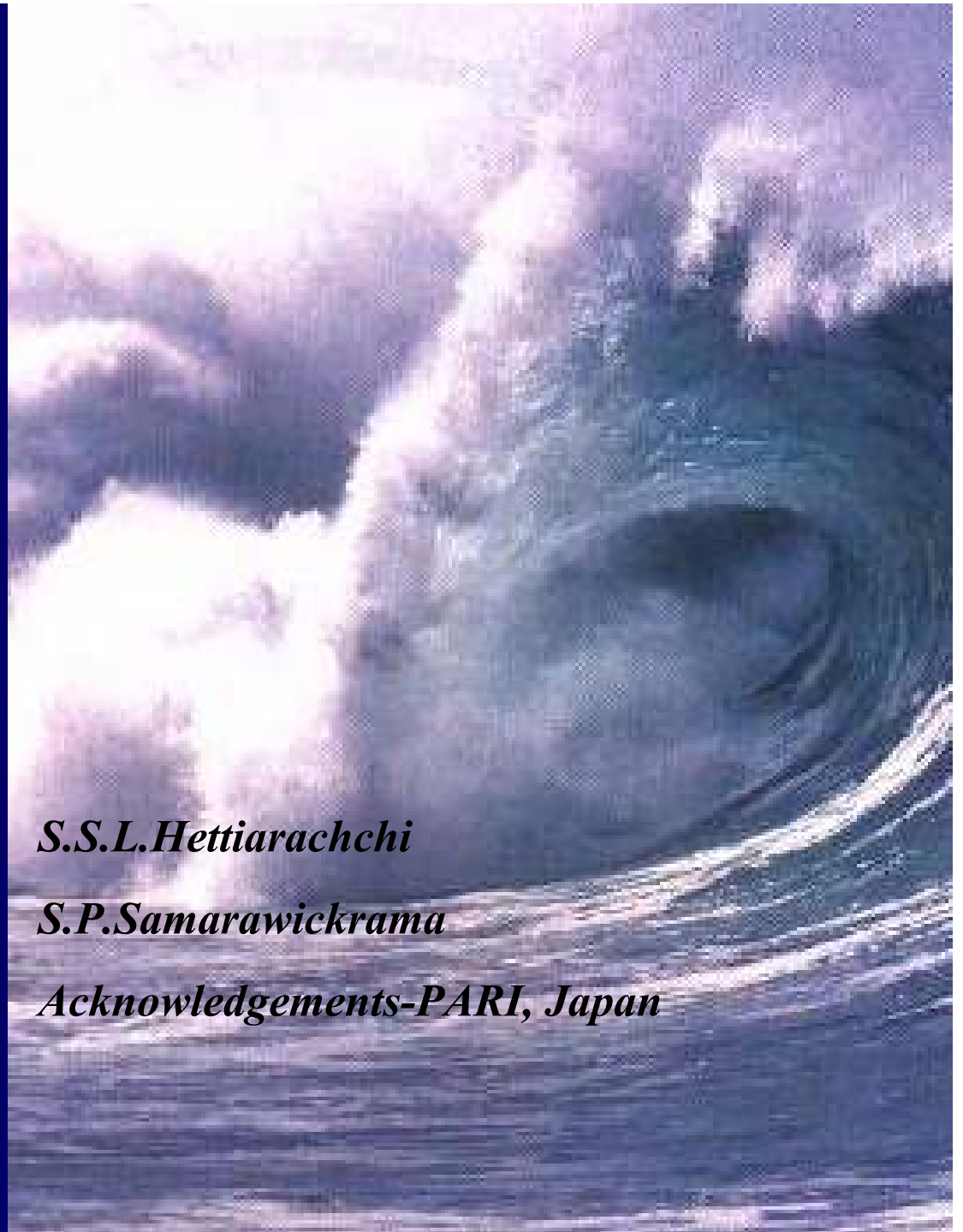
Environmental Options for Coastal Defence

Based on Post Tsunami
Research Initiatives

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**Overall Strategic Approach
for Coastal Hazard Mitigation
using Artificial and Natural Methods**



Multi Hazard Coastal Risk Assessment Framework

*.... for coast conservation, protection of lives,
coastal ecosystems and infrastructure*

Coastal Hazards

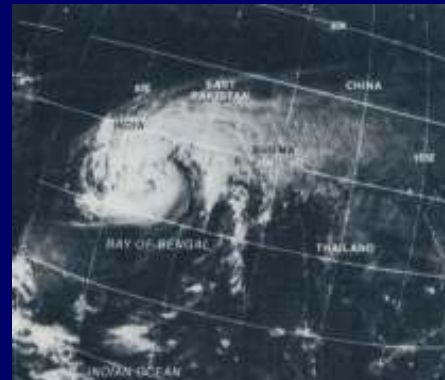
Storm Attack



Coastal Erosion,
Overtopping and Flooding



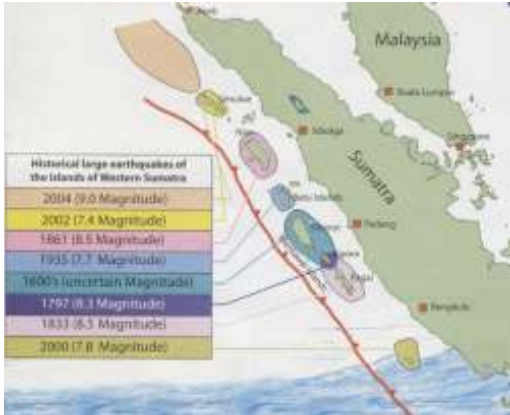
Severe Storm Attack,
Cyclones and Hurricanes
(*Extreme weather related events*)



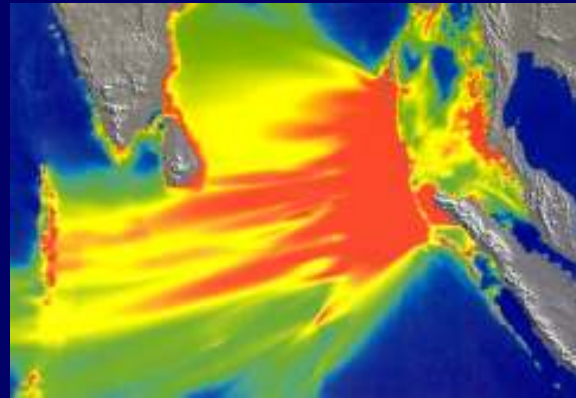
Tsunamis

Oil Spills





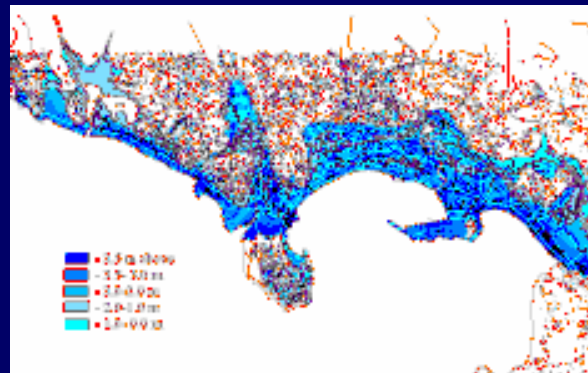
Hazard Sources



Regional Exposure



Vulnerability



Local Enhanced Exposure



Preparedness

Risk = Hazard x Vulnerability x Deficiencies in Preparedness

Early Warning and Countermeasures against tsunamis



Promote successful evacuation from tsunamis

- Early Warning System (Local and Regional)
- Public Warning System
- Hazard and Vulnerability Maps
- Set Back
- Evacuation Routes & Structures

Mitigate tsunamis (Mitigation Options)

- Physical Interventions (Artificial, Natural and Hybrid Methods)
- Design Guidelines for exposed infrastructure

Overall Strategic Approach

Tsunami Mitigation using Artificial and Natural Methods

(1) Reduce the impacts of tsunami waves prior to reaching the shoreline
(energy dissipator/
partial barrier
in coastal waters)



(2) Protect the coastal zone thus preventing the inland movement of tsunami waves
(full barrier on
the coastline)



(3) Mitigate the severe impacts of tsunami waves on entry to the shoreline
(partial barrier on
the coastline)



Tsunami and Offshore Breakwaters



Reduce the impacts of tsunami waves prior to reaching the shoreline.

/ Coral Reefs & Sand Bars



Revetments, Dikes (High Crest)



Protect the coastal zone thus preventing the inland movement of tsunami waves

/ Sand Dunes



Revetments, Dikes (Low Crest)



Mitigate the severe impacts of tsunami waves on entry to the shoreline.

/ Mangrove Forests



Natural Methods

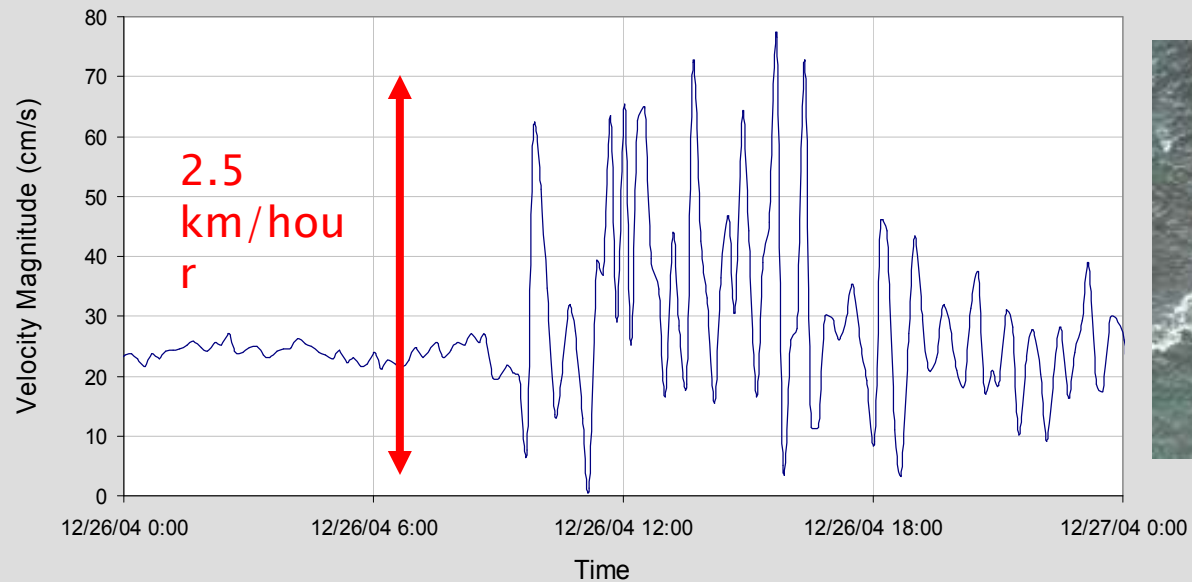
-Coral Reefs & Sand Bars

-Sand Dunes

-Coastal Vegetation and Mangrove Forests

-Hybrid Solutions

Combination of Natural /Artificial Methods



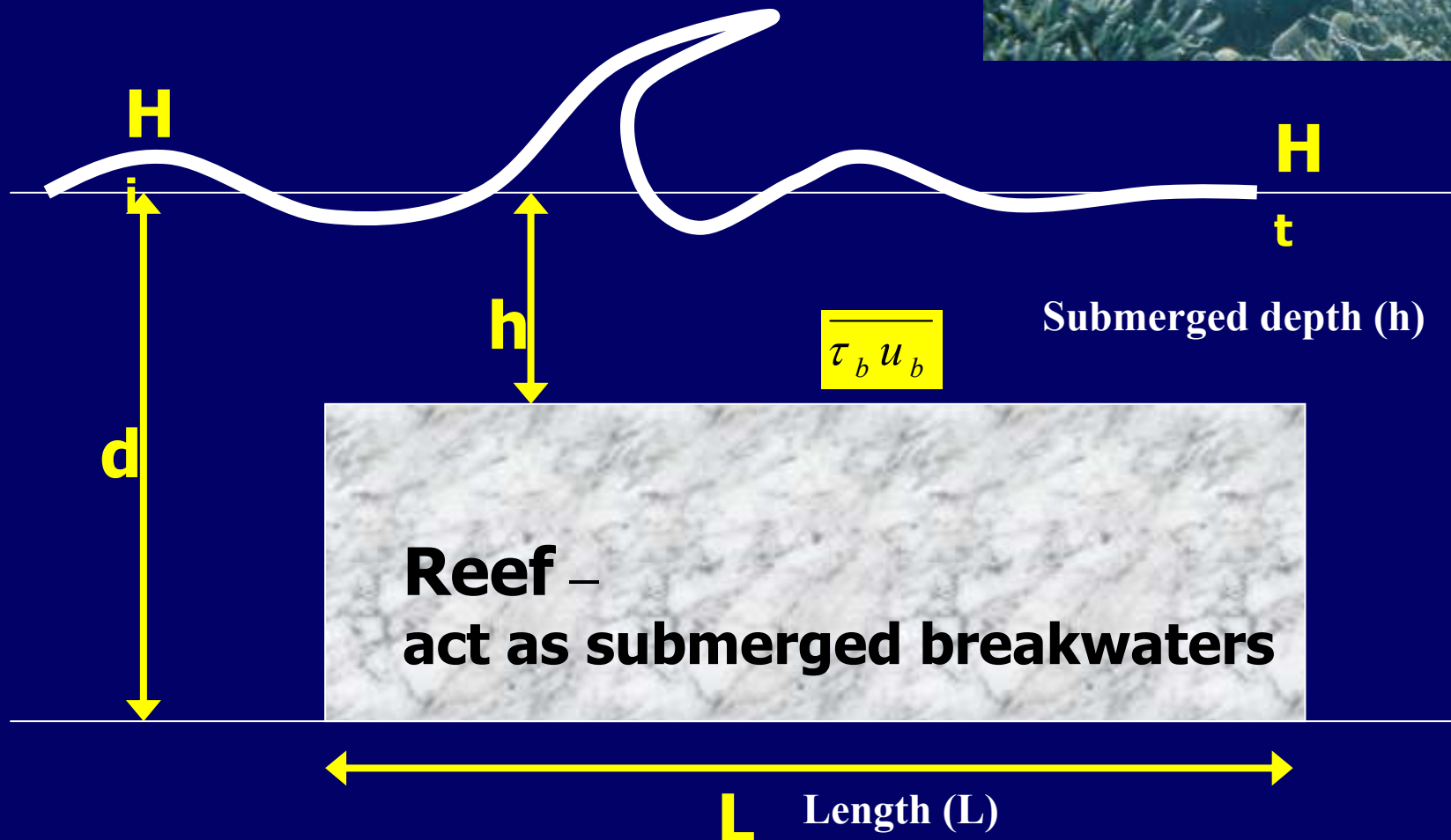
Current Speed

Coral reefs were severely affected and damaged by the debris and sand transported during the inland and shoreward movement of the tsunami wave.



Coral Reefs

Submerged natural breakwaters





Impact of a gap in the reef

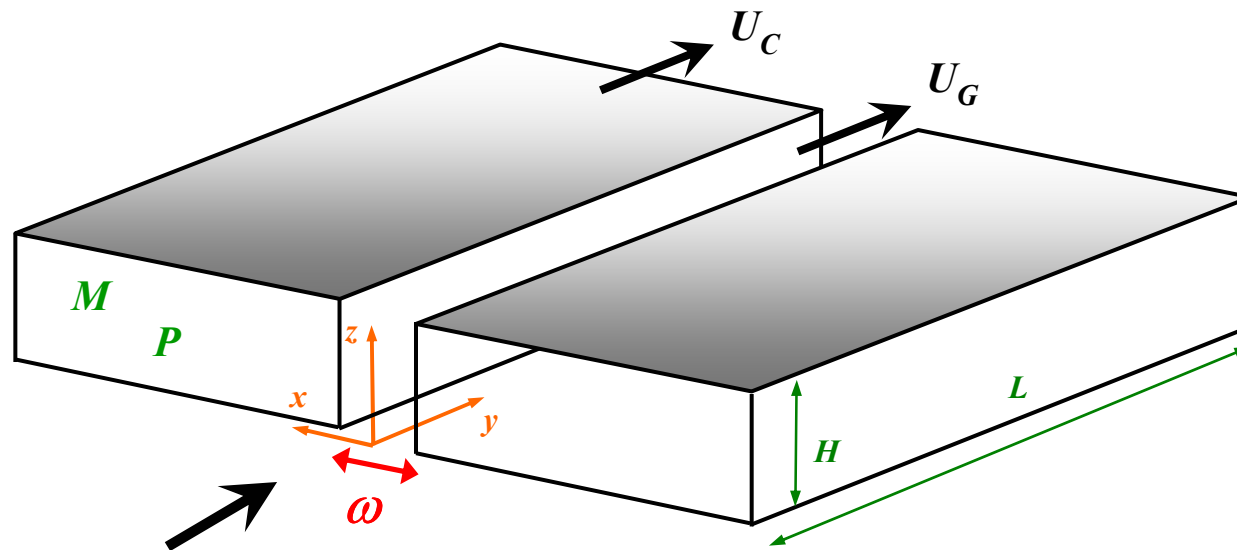
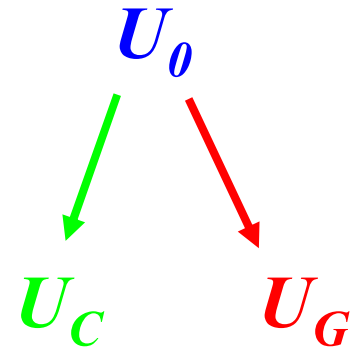
Wave Parameters (U_0 , λ , a)

Reef Parameters (M , P , L , H)

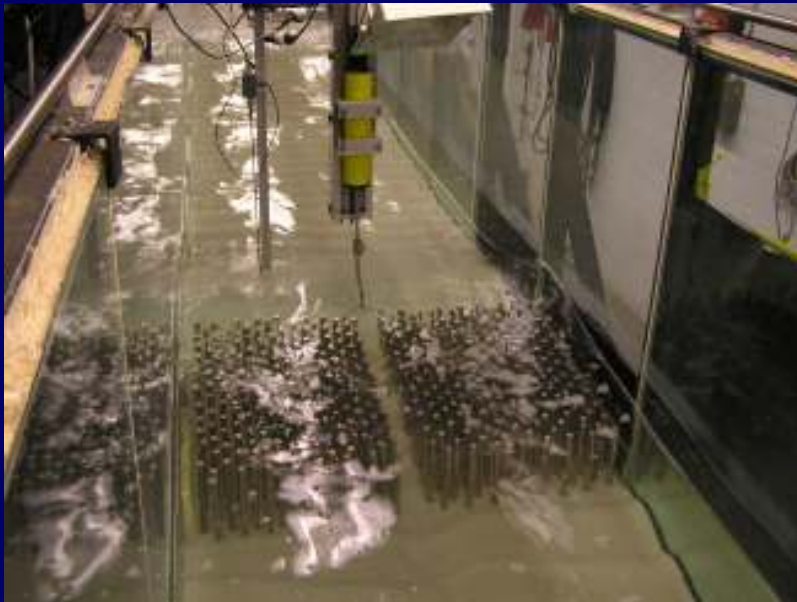
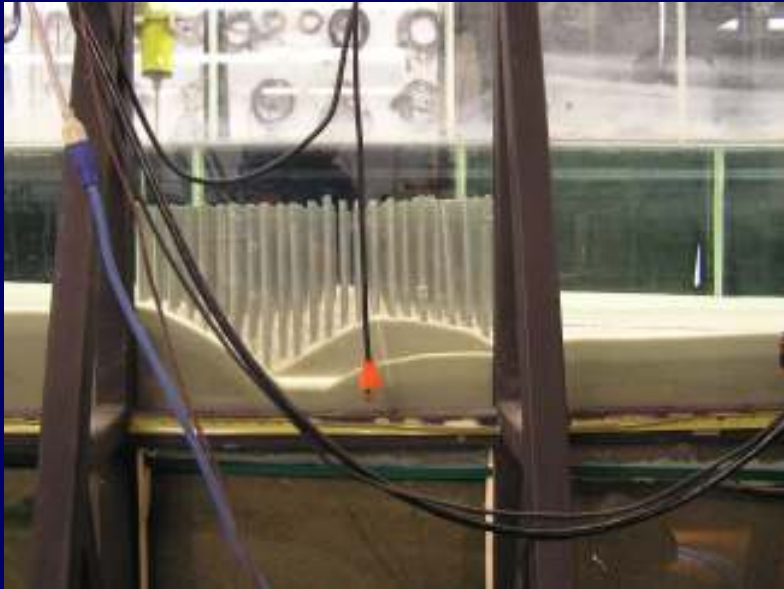
Reef Gap (ω)

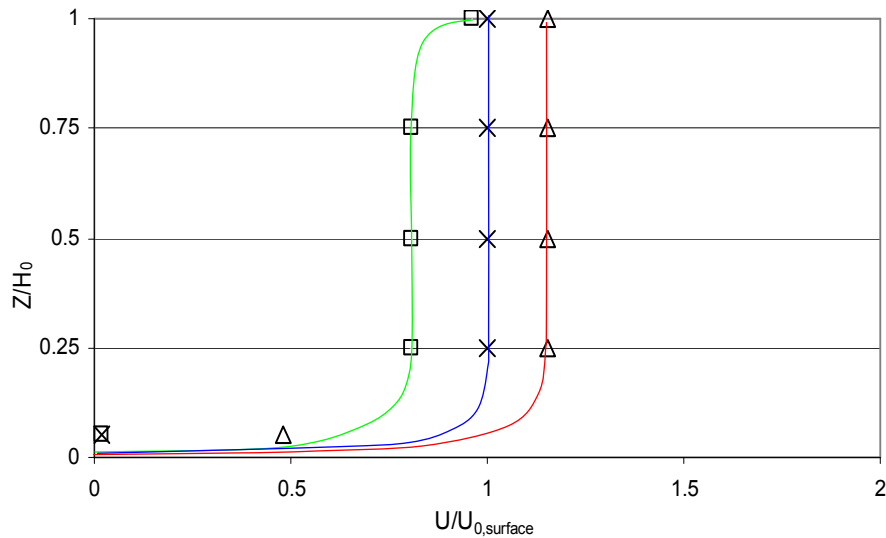
Depth of water (H_0)

Location (x , y , z)

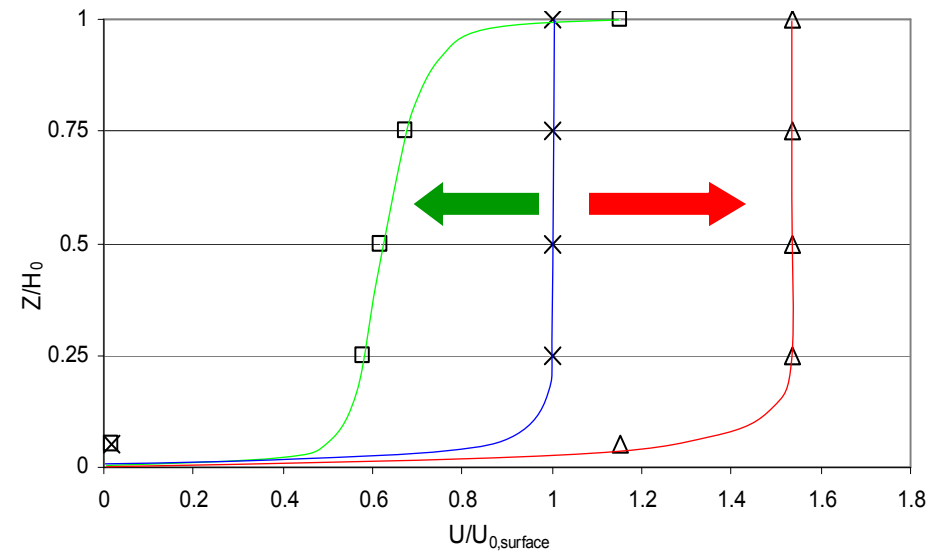


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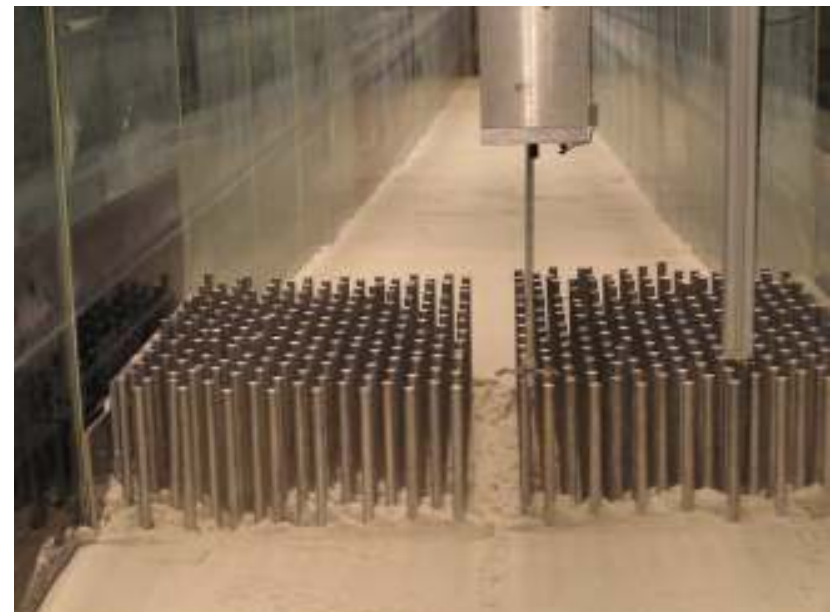


(a) 50% porosity
Normalized Velocity as a function of normalized height $2a = 30\text{cm}$

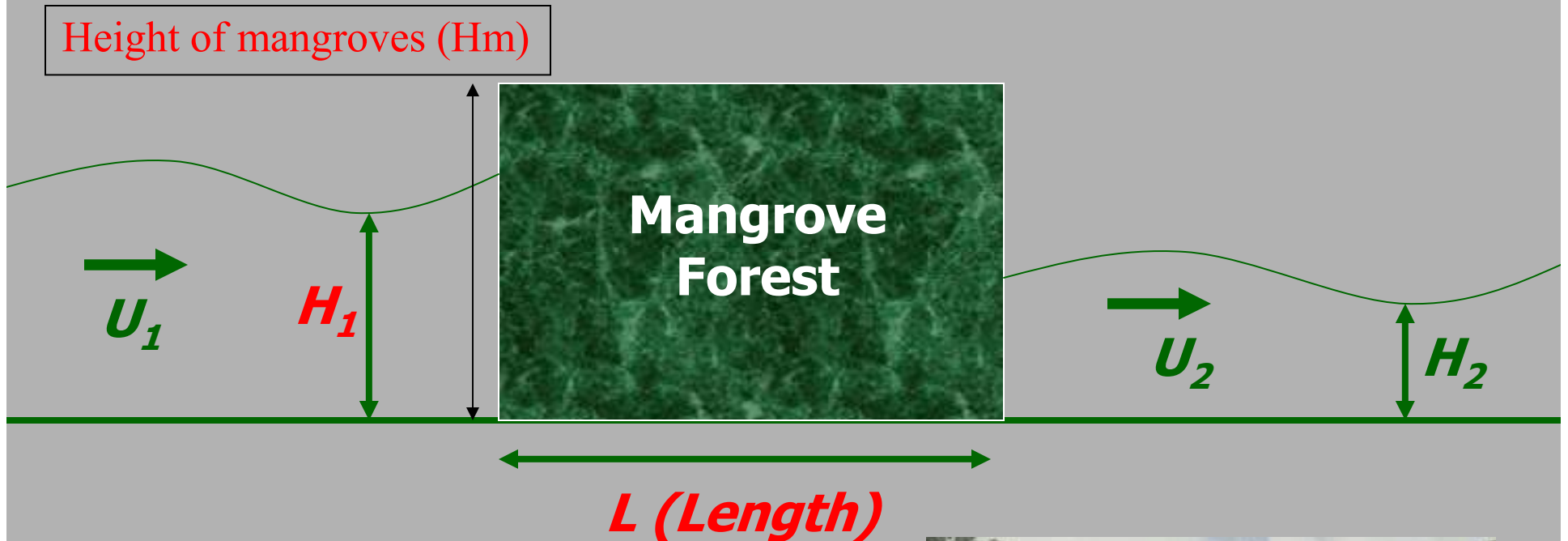


(b) 20% porosity

U_0 **Velocity without the reef**
 U_C **Velocity behind the reef**
 U_G **Velocity in the reef gap**



Coastal Vegetation (Mangrove Forests)- Partial Barrier



$$\Delta H = \left(H_1 + \frac{U_1^2}{2g} \right) - \left(H_2 + \frac{U_2^2}{2g} \right)$$

$$i = \frac{\Delta H}{L} = au + bu^2$$



Plant Characteristics and Resilience

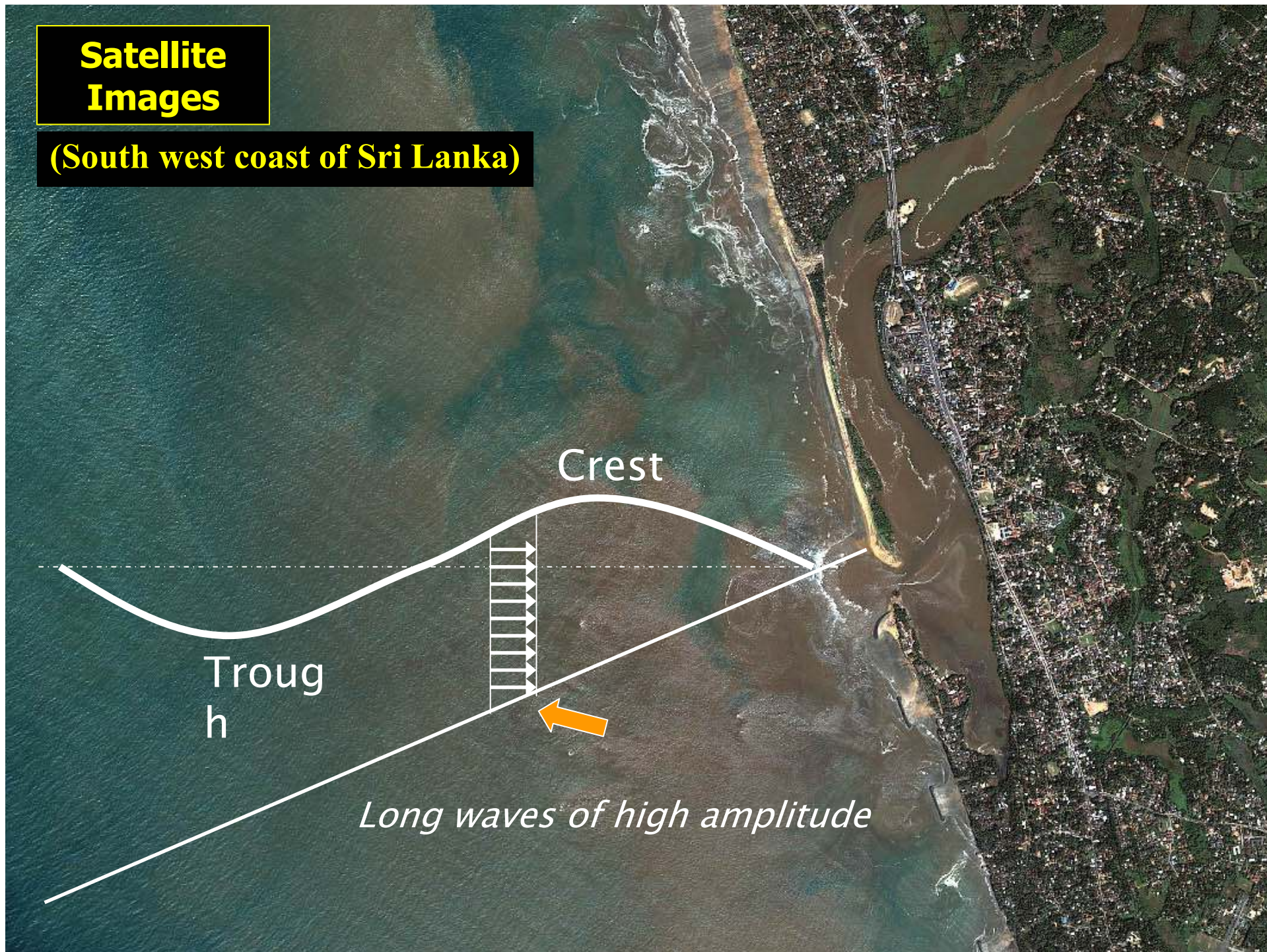
Satellite Images

(South west coast of Sri Lanka)

Crest

Trough
h

Long waves of high amplitude

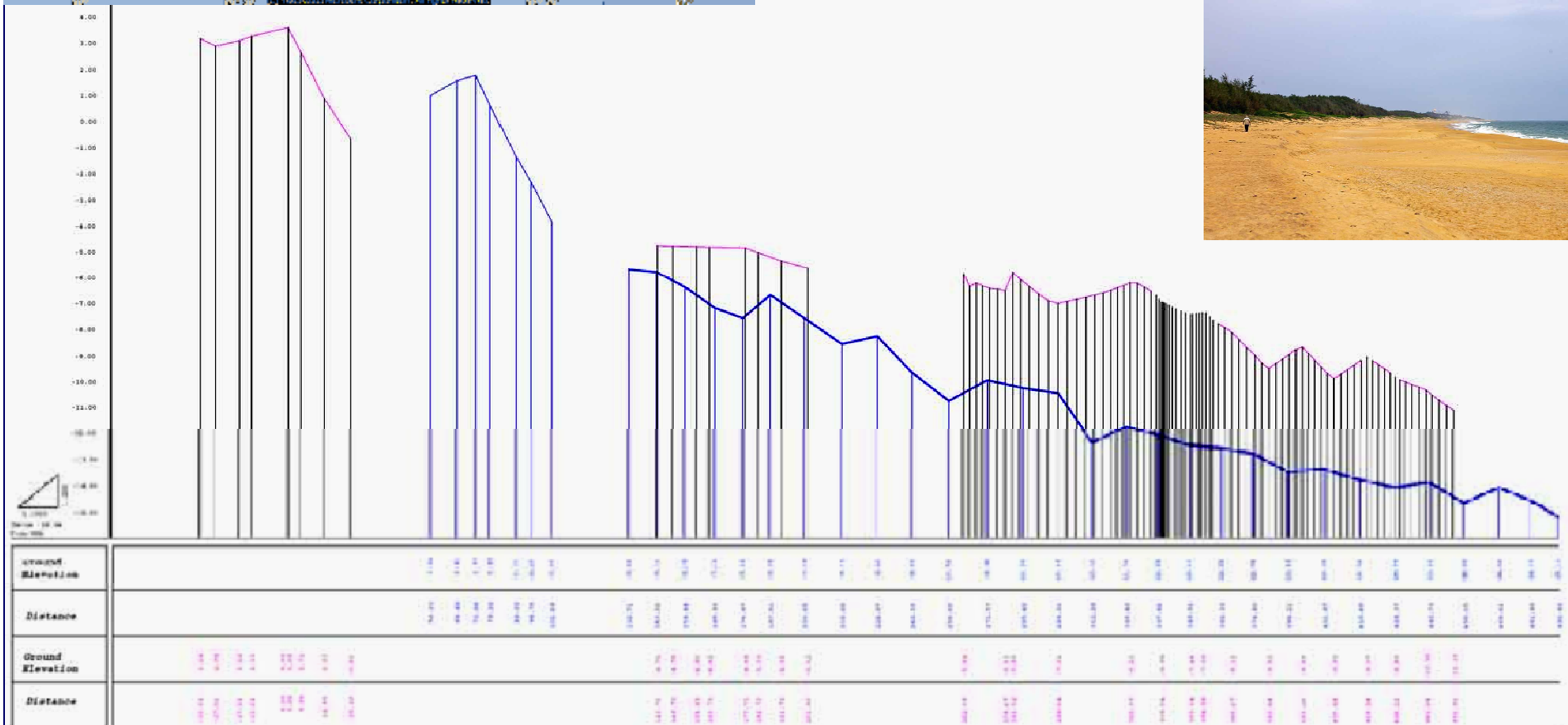




Sediment Transport by the 2004 tsunami at Sri Lanka

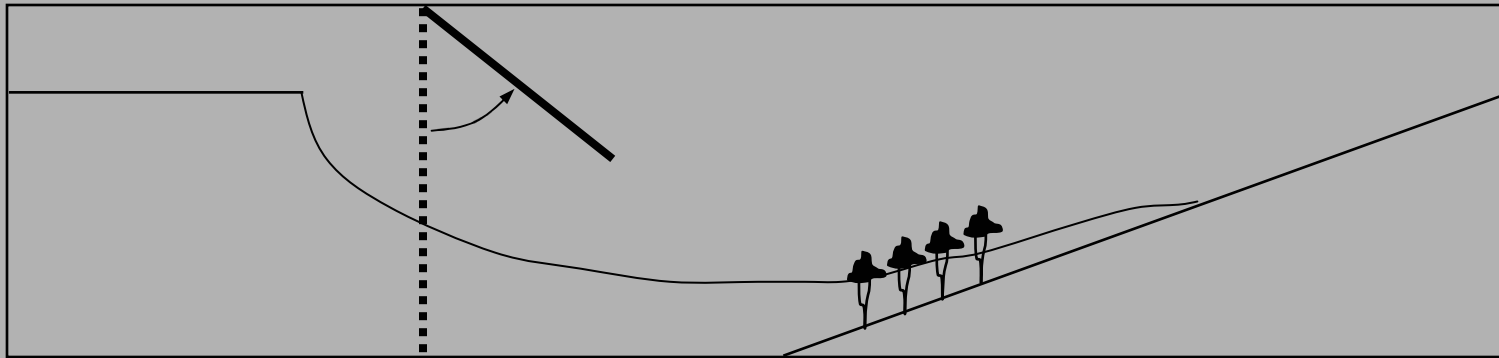
Ongoing Study (Tohoku University)
Sounding surveys were conducted before (December 2004) and after (December

Before Tsunami (2004 Nov - 2004 Dec)
After Tsunami (2005 Nov - 2006 Jan)





Investigations on Coastal Vegetation as Partial Barriers





**Failure of Rock armoured
revetments and movement
of rock boulders.**

**Low Crest Revetments
and Dikes**

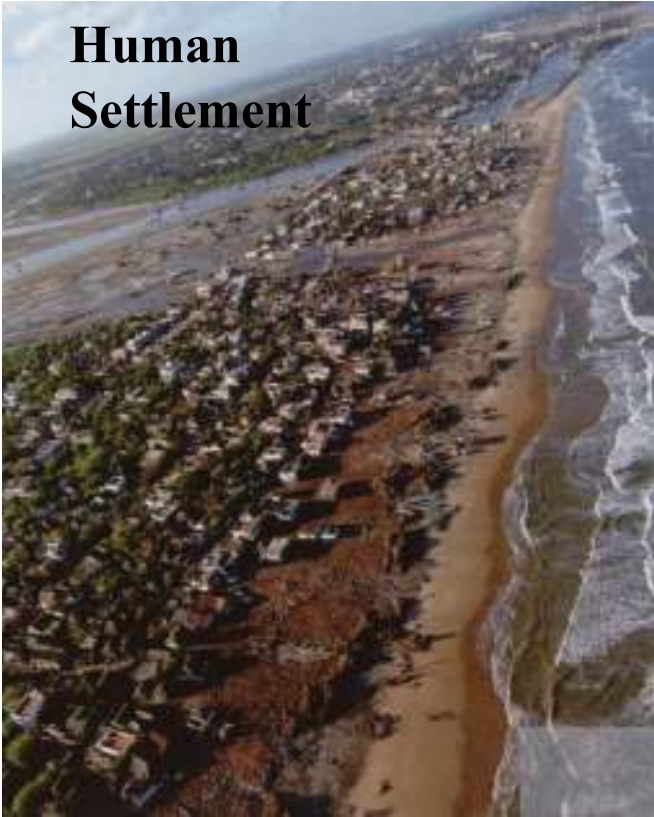


**Interlocking concrete
units**

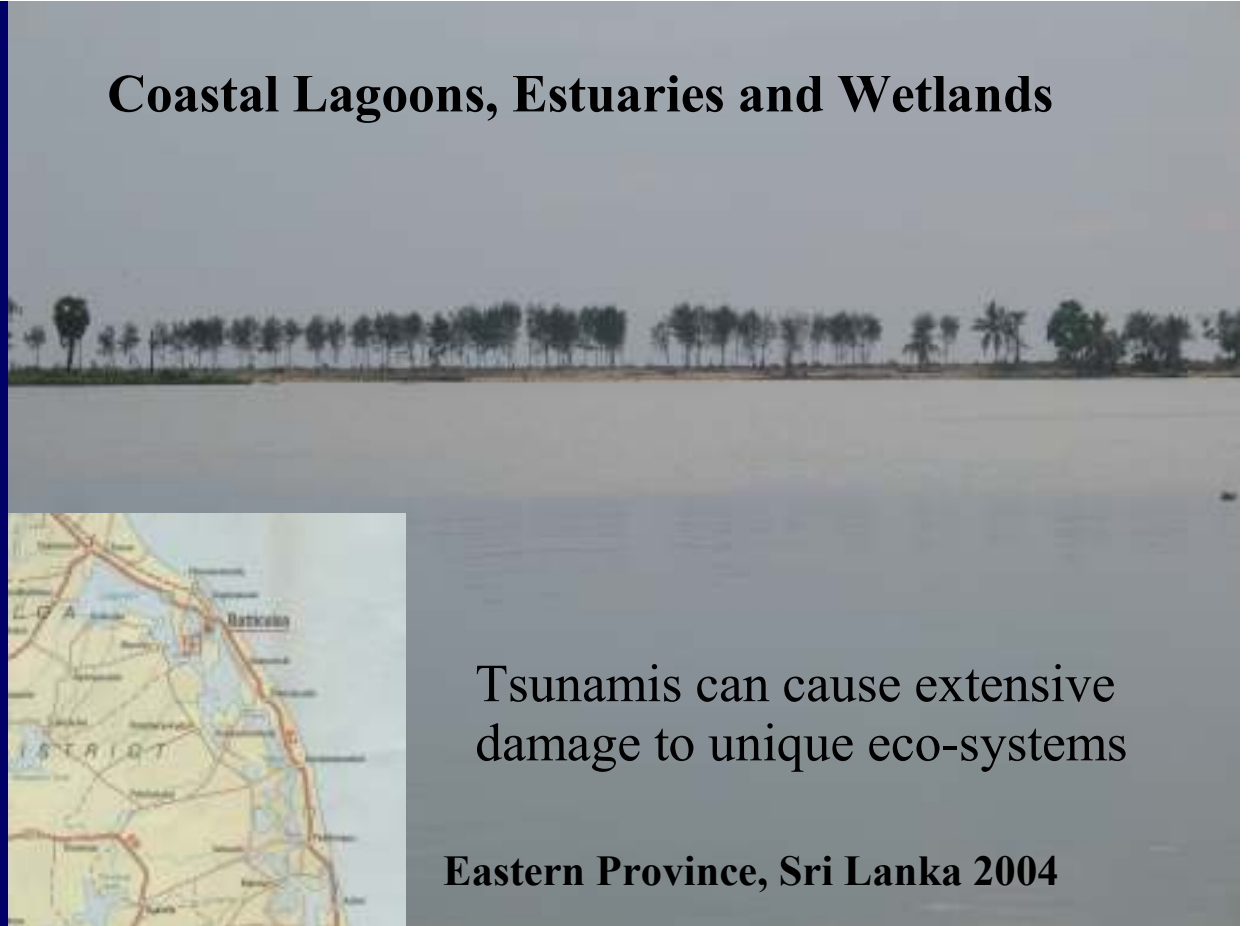
Sand Dunes (High Crest Natural Dikes)



Human Settlement



Coastal Lagoons, Estuaries and Wetlands



Tsunamis can cause extensive damage to unique eco-systems

Eastern Province, Sri Lanka 2004



Sand Dunes can be used effectively to protect land, life, ecosystems and infrastructure from excessive overtopping and damage

- **Dynamic behaviour of sand dunes (Dune Erosion/Degradation)**
- **Dune Rehabilitation, Construction and Maintenance**

February 2002

Palatupana

Palatupana

January 2005





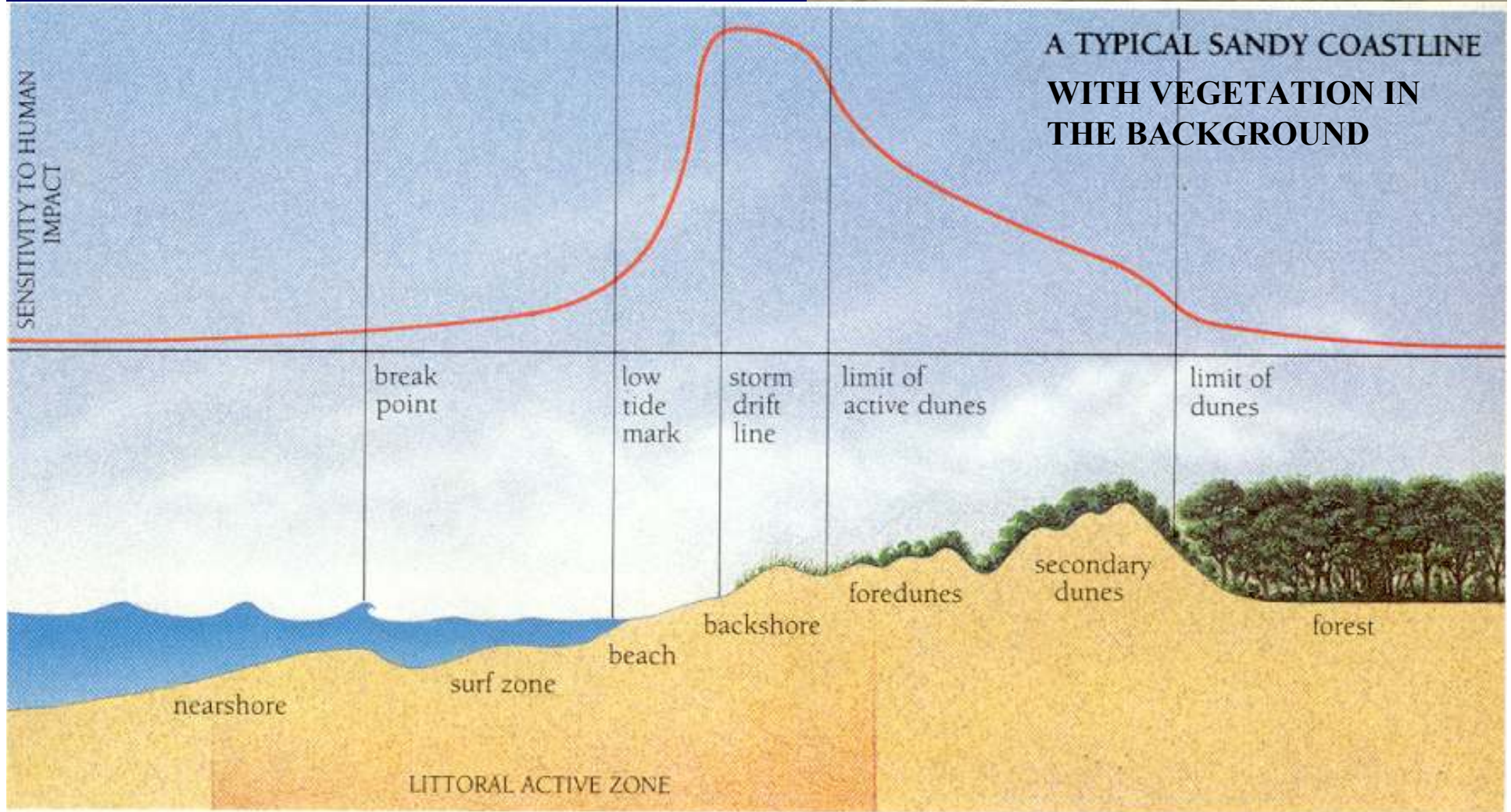
Safe crest level ?

Breached Depth

Panama – Sand Dunes

Hybrid Solutions

Sand dunes and Coastal vegetation





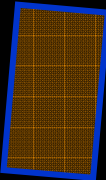
Tsunami Simulation- City of Galle- from PARI Japan

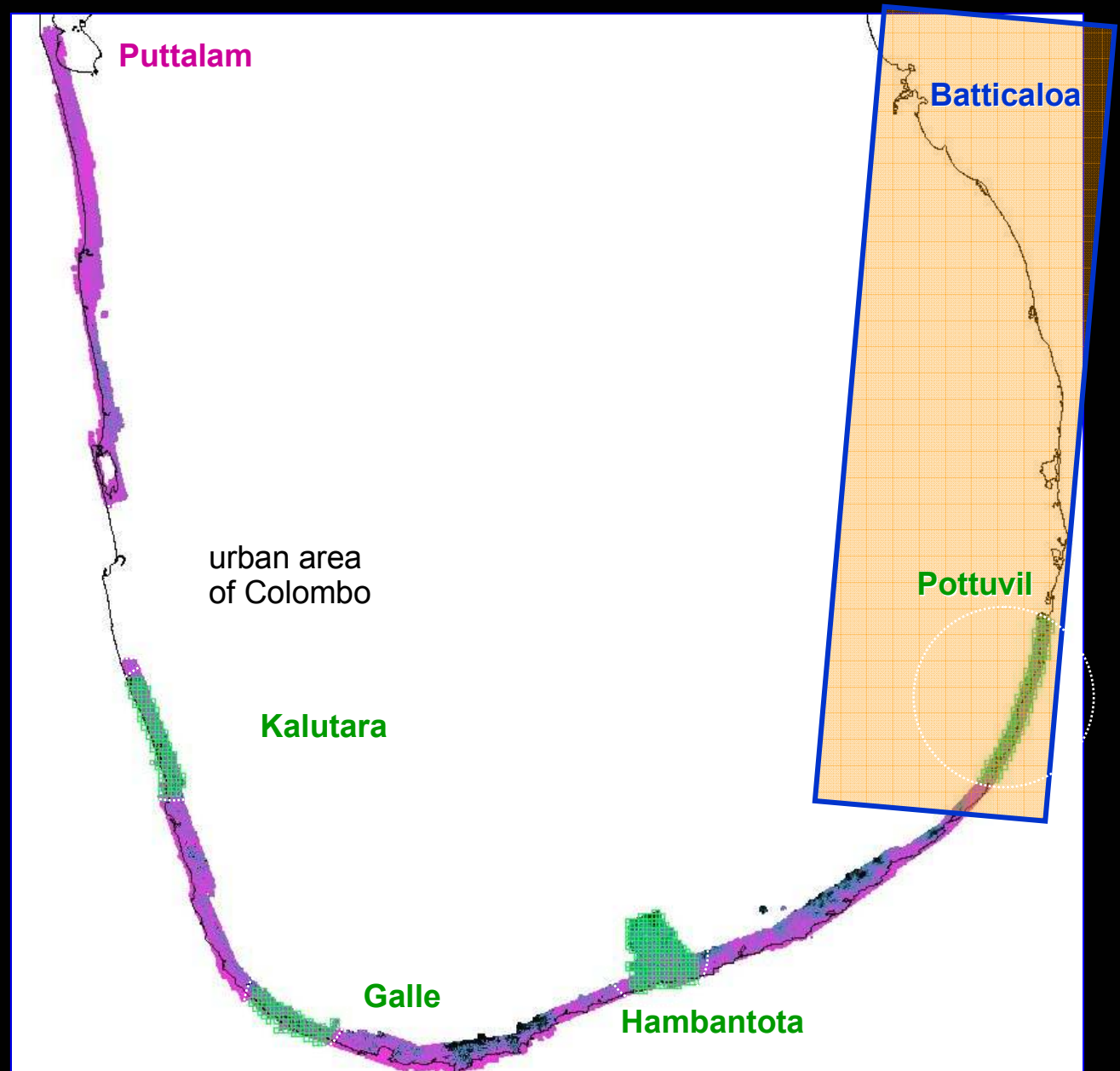


“HyperDEM”

 Airborne
campaign (ready)

 Airborne
campaign
(in progress)

 Satellite
campaign
(acquisition in
progress)



Project “HyperDEM”

Galle (Sri Lanka)



Full 3-D reconstruction of the urban area of Galle. In foreview, the Dutch Fort

Tsunami attack on wooden house and impact on people



Tsunami attack on house and impact on people
Collaboration with PARI, Japan



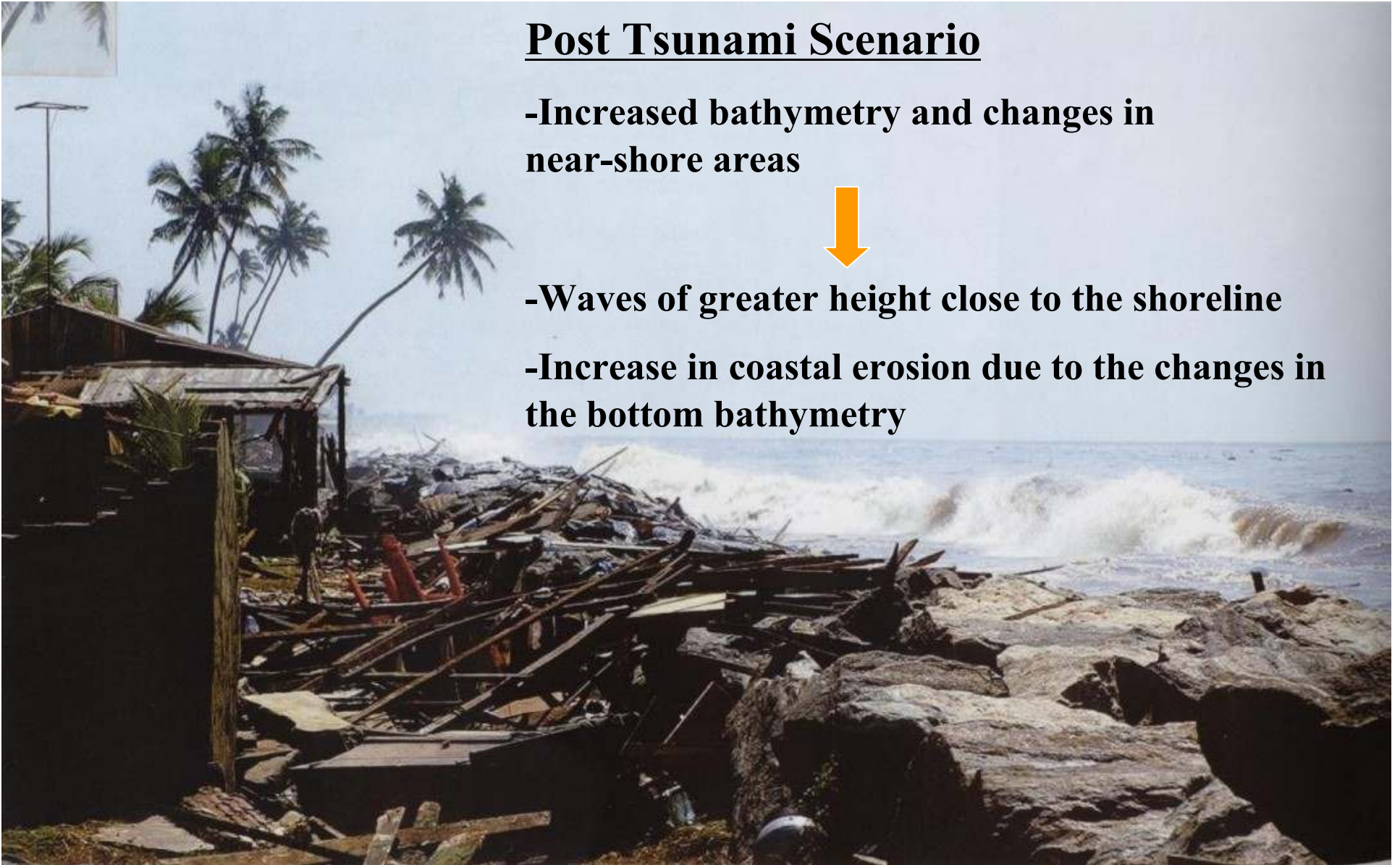
Post Tsunami Scenario

-Increased bathymetry and changes in near-shore areas



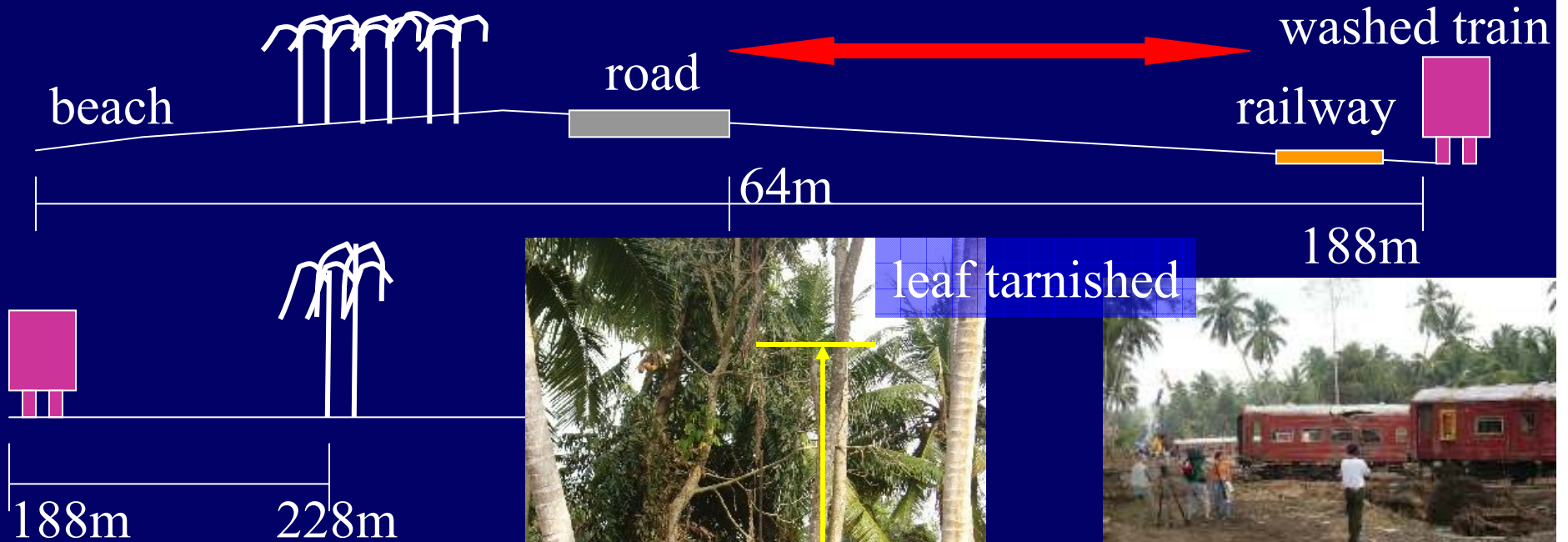
-Waves of greater height close to the shoreline

-Increase in coastal erosion due to the changes in the bottom bathymetry



Issue- Sloping surface

Hikkaduwa



Hikkaduwa Train Tragedy

Source: Port and Airport Research Institute,
Japan



- Increase in velocity
 - 20% - 50%
- Increase in Impulsive Bore Pressure
 - 100% - 150%
- Increase in Sustainable Pressure
 - more than 100%
- Water tends to stay longer

