Dear Editor,

Thank you for the time and sending us your decision. We have made responses and corrections to reviewers' comments and suggestions as shown below. Corrections made based on comments and suggestions are shown in red.

Reply to reviewer no. 1

We highly appreciate your time spent in reviewing the manuscript as well as your valuable comments and suggestions. We are glad that you are interested in our work and your positive feedback. Please find our line-by-line responses and corrections to your comments and suggestions. All responses, corrections and improvements are shown in red in the revised manuscript.

Reply to general comments

Thank you very much for pointing out these important issues. We totally agreed that the sensitivity and variability aspects of the source models and the bathymetry should be sufficiently discussed, Also, additional investigations should be applied to strengthen the conclusion related to tsunami wave trapping. In order to this, we have applied additional analyses mainly in section 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6, and related sections 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.

In addition, to improve the clarity of the text, we have added more explanations to section 2.3, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, as well as additional Tables and Figures to support the explanations. The manuscript was carefully re-written, and the English spellings were to our best to be improved. Please see more details below on our answers and responses.

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Line 15: Please remove 'for the	We thank the reviewer for	Line 14:
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	by removing the word.	and recorded at tide gauge
		stations for the first time .
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		the successive earthquakes are
		shown in Figure 1.
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	corrected it.	after the successive strong
		motions of these earthquakes.
		The tsunami propagated
		towards, and reached the western
		coast of southern Taiwan
		immediately after the
		earthquakes.
Line 60: Rephrase sentence, my	We thank and agreed with the	Line 63-66:
suggestion 'as it was rare because	reviewer. We corrected it by	The December 2006 tsunami
it was generated by earthquakes	rephrasing the sentence.	was an important event and
in short succession'.		attracted public interest, as it was
		rare because it was generated by
		earthquakes in short succession,
		and was a new issue among
		social communities and ordinary
		persons in Taiwan about
		tsunamis.
Line 62: 'heightens' à 'increased'	We thank the reviewer for	Line 67:
	pointing this out. We corrected it.	This recent tsunami not only
		corroborates the tsunami risk in
		Taiwan, but also increased the
		awareness of disaster risk
		management, such as
		preparedness, and mitigation
		countermeasures for the next
		tsunamis.
Line 65: Several repeats of the	We thank the reviewer for	Please see line 69.
above in this paragraph, I	pointing this out. We shortened	The tsunami observations
suggest shortening.	the paragraph.	reported following the 26
6.	1 0 1	December 2006 tsunami also
		opened some questions.
Line 67: Please delete sentence	We thank the reviewer for	Line 70:
starting with 'It has been	pointing this out. The sentence	First, the first tsunami wave crest
common understanding'. This	starting with 'It has been	was not shown as the largest in
can certainly be disputed and the	common understanding' have	some stations.
	-	SUME STATIONS.
scientific community is	been deleted, and the sentences	

definitely aware that later wave	were rephrased.	
arrivals can be larger than the		
first.		
Line 71: 'prolonged'? Prolonged	We apologize for our confusing	Line 73:
compared to what?	expression. We meant that some	Second, tsunami durations for
	stations recorded the tsunami	more than 6 h were recorded at
	durations for more than 6 hours	some stations following the
	during the 2006 earthquake	earthquakes.
	tsunami. We have removed the	•
	word 'prolonged', and rephrased	
	the sentence to improve the lack	
	clarity.	
Lines 80-81: Something is	We thank the reviewer for	Please see line 77-88
missing in these statements,	pointing this out. We rephrase	The other issue was that which
please rephrase so the meaning is	the sentences and the meaning.	source models could better
more apparent.		explain the successive tsunamis
"FF		to the recorded observations in
		southern Taiwan. Wu et al., 2008
		simulated the tsunami from this
		event using single fault models.
		They numerically computed the
		tsunami propagation on a nested
		grid system with finest grids of
		0.125 min resolution bathymetry
		data and compared their results
		with observation data from tide
		gauge stations. Although the
		source models to this tsunami
		event have been specified and
		modeled in previous study, the
		uncertainty and variability
		aspects of the source models and
		bathymetry have not been
		investigated thoroughly. Such
		uncertainties in earthquake fault
		parameters and significant

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		difference among the open-
		source bathymetries can
		exaggerate the modeled results
		rather than the predictions from
		previous study to the 2006
		tsunami. Therefore, it is critical
		to discuss such model's
		performances from viewpoint of
		sensibility perspective because it
		is desirable to obtain a tsunami
		source model and to understand
		the reliability of bathymetry data
		utilized for numerical simulation
		for reasonably estimating the
		tsunami wave activities during
		the 2006 tsunami.
Line 91: 'justify' à 'hindcast'	We thank the reviewer for	Line 99:
	pointing this out. We corrected it.	The December 2006 earthquake
		tsunami represents a unique and
		recent incident in Taiwan;
		therefore, the hindcasting and
		findings could not only help to
		further understand the tsunami
		generation and important
		behaviors responsible for the
		tsunami hazards to the island of
		Taiwan, but also have
		implications for tsunami
		warning and disaster risk
		management.
Line 99: Please delete 'In	We thank and agreed with the	Line 105:
general', and replace the	point of view of the reviewer. We	Time history data of sea levels
statement 'possible method to	corrected it by rephrasing the	recorded at coastal sites provide
study' with 'one source of	sentence.	one source of information that
information we can use to study'.		we can use to study tsunami
5		we can use to study tsunann

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supplementary to other methods,		
it is usually not enough by itself.		
Line 112: 'represent the duration'	We thank the reviewer for	Line 118:
à 'represent the observation'	pointing this out. We corrected it.	The tsunami durations represent
(duration written twice in		the observation time of high-
sentence)		energy tsunami waves persisting
		in a coastal site of observation.
Line 113: Remove 'of	We thank the reviewer for	Line 119:
observation'. 'duration' à	pointing this out. We corrected it.	The tsunami durations at all
'durations', and 'was' à 'were'		stations were identified based on
		the calculation of RMS sea
		levels, indicating the elapsed
		time of the wave amplitude
		above the level of normal
		oscillation before the tsunami
		wave arrived (Heidarzadeh,
		2021).
Line 127: 'The' Fourier analysis	We thank the reviewer for	Line 132-136:
	pointing this out. We corrected it.	The Fourier analysis and the
		wavelet (time-frequency)
		analysis. The Fourier analysis is
		based on the fast Fourier
		transform (FFT) algorithm,
		applied based on the updated
		open-source library Numpy in
		the Python package (Harris et al.,
		2020). The Fourier analysis was
		performed to estimate the
		spectral components of the time
		history data of the tsunami
		waveform.
Line 137: 'the' wavelet analysis	We thank the reviewer for	Line 133:
		The Fourier analysis and the
	pointing this out. We corrected it.	
		analysis.
Line 144: The first sentence in	Thank you very much for the	Please see section 2.3 (from line

		150 157)
the paragraph is somewhat	valuable comments. We	150-157)
misleading. I would rather say it	rephrased it to improve the	
is a computer-based method	clarity of the numerical methods.	
describing the equations of		
motion for the tsunami wave		
propagation. You could also add		
that there are various methods,		
but that the shallow water model		
is most used, although dispersive		
models are more and more used		
as well.		
Line 149: I would say that	Thank you very much for the	Please see section 2.3 (from line
TUNAMI also cover far-field	valuable comments. We add	154 to 157)
tsunamis, with limitations of	additional information to this	
course.	part.	
Line 155: You do not describe	We simulated the tsunami	Please see section 2.3 (from line
mesh refinement anywhere.	propagation using a 450 m	167 to 172)
How do you ensure	bathymetric grid. The mesh size	
convergence? What is your grid	in x and y directions are 538 and	
resolution, and what exactly is	631. The CFL condition is	
the CFL number? It should be a	presented as:	
minimum to test convergence at	Δx	
least with two different	$\Delta t \leq \frac{\Delta x}{\sqrt{2gh_{max}}}$	
(optimally three) mesh sizes.	Where the Δt is the time interval,	
	Δx is the grid spacings, and h _{max}	
	is the maximum water depth in	
	the model domain.	
Line 160: You have stated this	We thank and agreed with the	
before. I suggest to delete this	reviewer. We deleted the	
sentence that only repeats what	sentence.	
is already written in the intro.		
Line 168: Are you simulating	Thank you very much for the	For the approach, please see
with uniform slip? Could you	valuable suggestions. The	section 2.4.2 (from line 219 to
gain anything with adding non-	tsunami sensitivity to non-	246) and for the results of
uniform slide and simulate	uniform fault slip distribution is	sensitivity analysis, please see
different realisations of the slip	evaluated.	section 5.2 (from line 460 to
afferent realisations of the slip	evaluated.	

distribution? This deserves to be		471)
discussed more.		1/1)
Line 186: 'horizontal effect' à	We appreciated the reviewer for	Please see line 173-175:
'horizontal deformation	the correction. The sentence was	The horizontal deformation
	revised.	
	revised.	
generation'		generation in the steep
		bathymetric slopes (Tanioka and
		Satake, 1996) is included.
Line 191: Why could this not	The statement was skipped.	
have been caused by landslides?		
Please elaborate / substantiate, or		
otherwise skip this statement if		
you cannot back it up more		
explicitly.		
Line 193: Add 'simulated' before	The vocabulary was revised.	Please see line 172-173:
'initial'.		As the simulated initial
		condition inputted for numerical
		tsunami simulation, the initial
		water level distribution is
		calculated from the earthquake
		fault parameters using the theory
		of Okada, 1985.
Line 203: You may need to	For the bathymetric scenarios	For the clarity of bathymetric
elaborate what you mean by 'two	stated here, we meant the actual	scenarios, please see section 2.6
bathymetric scenarios'. You	and manipulated bathymetries	(from line 274 to 289). The
probably mean tsunami	used in numerical simulations to	details of actual and manipulated
simulations applying two	examine the how bathymetry can	bathymetries used in numerical
different bathymetries. You may	influence the tsunami wave	simulations were summarized in
motivate your work by	directivity and wave trapping.	Table 5.
mentioning how wrong the open	In addition, the variability	For the examination of tsunami
source bathy was for 2018 Palu.	aspects of open source	sensitivity to open source
Similar for 2018 Anak Krakatoa	bathymetry to model results was	bathymetry, the 2018 Palu and
(e.g. Zengaffinen et al., 2021).	examined.	the 2018 Anak Krakatoa tsunami
		were referred as backgrounds
		and the approach and results
		could be found in section 2.5
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Line 207: Both are scenarios in a way. I would rephrase, and rather say 'manipulated bathymetry' rather than 'hypothetical scenario'.	We appreciated the reviewer for the comments. The sentences were rephrased.	(from line 249 to 271) and section 5.3 (from 474 to 494), respectively. Please see section 2.6 (from line 274-286).
Line 211: You only investigate two different bathymetries, and this might be a bit thin to conclude in general. I suggest that the uncertainty related to the bathymetry is discussed more.	Thank you very much for the valuable suggestions. We agreed with the reviewer. In addition to the two different bathymetries (i.e., actual and manipulated bathymetry by replacing sea depths larger than 500 m to 500 m), a rather hypothetical situation was examined using the manipulated bathymetry of flatted sea bottom of 500 m depth.	Please see section 2.6 (from line 274-286) and section 6.1 (from line 498-528).
Line 231: Please rephrase 'different mechanism of tsunami waves was' à 'different propagation effects were'	We appreciated the reviewer for pointing this out. The sentence was revised.	Please see line 306: These results suggest that the different propagation effects were active at these coastal sites during the passage of the 2006 tsunami.
Line 237: The aspects of the wave recordings should be move more up front, at least within this subsection, it is important background.	We appreciated the reviewer for the valuable comments. The aspects of the wave recordings were moved and considered as important background for simulating scenarios with non- uniform fault slip distributions.	Please see line 451-457. While the single fault models can produce the simulated tsunami waveforms well consistent to the observations, the badly sampled (i.e., 6 min interval) signals recorded in coastal stations also raise some questions, as one would expect some potential high tsunami

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		sufficient and the asperity area
		(i.e., with large fault slip) on the
		fault should be evaluated. The
		tsunami sensitivity to asperity
		locations of multiple fault
		models will be discussed in next
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		earthquakes could be estimated
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		observations made by tide gauge
		stations in southern Taiwan.
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'velocity'.		seafloor depths.
Line 390: Add 'through	We appreciate the reviewer for	Please see line 502
diffraction' after 'wave direction'.	the correction. The vocabulary	The significant change in
	was added.	propagation speed allows the
		tsunami to change its wave
		direction through diffraction.
Line 391: 'of the' à 'using'	Thank you very much for the	Please see line 504
	suggestion. The vocabulary was	Simulated snapshots of tsunami
	revised.	wave propagation using actual
		(MS) bathymetry are shown in
		Figure 21.
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'analyzed'	suggestion. The vocabulary was	tsunami waveforms in all three
	revised.	tide gauge stations in southern
		Taiwan during the December
		2006 tsunami were analyzed.

2.3 Numerical tsunami simulation

Numerical simulation is a computer-based method, which describes the equations of the motion for the tsunami wave propagation. The tsunami wave propagation can be numerically modeled based on various theories, including shallow water and dispersive wave theories. Among those theories, the shallow water equations are one of the most commonly used methods to model the tsunami propagation from the source to nearshore. There are various computational models developed to solve the shallow water equations and the TUNAMI (Tohoku University Numerical Analysis Model for Investigation of tsunamis) code is one of the models that widely used to simulate both far-field and near-field tsunamis (Suppasri et al., 2010; Suppasri et al., 2014). The No.2 version of the TUNAMI code (TUNAMI-N2) is mainly developed to deal with near-field tsunamis by applying nonlinear theory of shallow water equations, which is solved using a leap-frog scheme (Imamura, 1995). In this study, the TUNAMI-N2 model was used to simulate the 2006 tsunami with nonlinear shallow water equations. The nonlinear shallow water equations on the Cartesian coordinate system are presented in equation (2)-(4) and the nonlinear equations are solved by applying the finite difference method.

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial M}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} = 0$$
⁽²⁾

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \chi} \left(\frac{M^2}{D} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{MN}{D} \right) + g D \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \chi} + \frac{g n^2}{\frac{\gamma}{D^3}} M \sqrt{M^2 + N^2} = 0$$
(3)

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \chi} \left(\frac{MN}{D}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{N^2}{D}\right) + g D \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} + \frac{g n^2}{D^{\frac{7}{3}}} N \sqrt{M^2 + N^2} = 0$$
(4)

In the governing equations, η is the water level, *M* and *N* are the discharge fluxes in the *x* and *y* directions, *D* is the total water depth, *g* is the gravitational acceleration, and *n* is Manning's roughness coefficient. The bottom friction term was represented by the Manning roughness coefficient, which was set equal to 0.025 s m^{-1/3}, assuming the seafloor in the model domain with a perfect condition. The numerical tsunami simulations were conducted with a time interval of 0.1 s and grid spacings of 450 m. The entire model domain covered the source region and the southern Taiwan, which comprised mesh numbers of 538 and 631 in x and y directions. The time interval and grid spacings were set up to satisfy the Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy (CFL) condition to ensure the stability of simulation. The CFL condition is presented in equation (5).

$$\Delta t \le \frac{\Delta x}{\sqrt{2gh_{max}}} \tag{5}$$

Where the Δt is the time interval, Δx is the grid spacings, and h_{max} is the maximum water depth in the model domain. As the initial condition inputted for numerical tsunami simulations, the simulated initial water level distributions were calculated from the earthquake fault parameters using the theory of Okada, 1985. In addition, the horizontal deformation contribution to tsunami generation in the steep bathymetric slopes (Tanioka and Satake, 1996) was included. The calculation conditions for the numerical tsunami simulation were summarized in Table 1.

2.4 Sensitivity analysis of source models

2.4.1 Single fault models

The multiple forward tsunami simulations were conducted using the single fault models with different fault depths and fault orientations. The main attempt of the multiple forward tsunami simulations is to find a single fault model that can produce the tsunami waveforms in the best agreement of fit to the observations made by tide gauge stations in southern Taiwan.

There are two moment tensor solutions available from the Global Centroid Moment Tensor project (GCMT) and United States Geological Survey (USGS) to the successive earthquakes on 26 December 2006 (Figure 2.). Each solution suggests two possible fault planes to respective earthquakes. The focal mechanisms for the two earthquakes estimated by GCMT and USGS are summarized in Table 2.

Through the analysis of simulated tsunami waveforms made by multiple forward tsunami simulations, one of those fault planes can be chosen as the appropriate fault plane to the respective earthquakes of the 2006 earthquake doublet. This approach has been applied in previous study to obtain the optimum fault plane for the 2016 Fukushima normal-faulting earthquake (Gusman et al., 2017).

Wu et al., 2008 computed the synthetic tsunami waveforms based on single fault models using different fault planes of GCMT's moment tensor solutions. They found that the nodal plane (NP) of NP2 to the first earthquake, with a strike of 329°, dip of 61°, rake of -98°, and the fault plane of NP1 to the second earthquake, with a strike of 151°, dip of 48°, and rake of 0° produced the tsunami waveforms better fit to observed data.

Based on the study conducted by Wu et al., 2008, the focal mechanisms of NP2 to the first and NP1 to the second earthquake from GCMT's solution were used for sensitivity analysis to fault depths. The approximated fault area of length 40 km and width 20 km (800 km²) were estimated to the successive earthquakes based on the empirical formula with tsunami source periods. The methods by which fault area of the two earthquakes have been obtained will be discussed in section 4.1. For the given moment magnitude (M_w) of 7.0 and 6.9 earthquake, the amount of average slip can be estimated to 1.66 m to the first (i.e., M_w 7.0) and 1.17 m to the second earthquake (M_w 6.9) assuming the rigidity of 30 GPa. The centroid depth of the GCMT (20 km) and the USGS (25 km) to the first earthquake were significantly different, while similar depth of 33 km was proposed to the second earthquake. Therefore, for the sensitivity analysis of fault central depth, the central fault depth of 15, 20, 25, and 35 km of the first earthquake were evaluated.

After determining the best fault central depth for the single fault models of the two earthquakes, the multiple tsunami forward simulations were applied to all possible fault planes from the moment tensor solutions estimated by GCMT and USGS using single fault. The misfit of observed and simulated tsunami waveforms from the multiple tsunami forward simulations were calculated and compared to examine the focal mechanisms that better explain the observed tsunami data. The misfit of observed and simulated

tsunami waveforms can be calculated using equation (6).

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{N} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{(Obs_i - Sim_i)^2}{(Obs_i)^2}}$$
(6)

Where ε is the misfit of observed and synthetic tsunami waveform, N is the total number of data points, Obs_i is the observed data at time step *i*, Sim_i is the simulated data at time step *i*. The equation (8) calculated ε for one station. For cases with several stations, the overall misfit is gained from the mean of ε computed from all stations.

2.4.2 Multiple fault models

After determining the best central fault depths and fault orientations of single fault, the area of each single fault was subdivided into 8 sub-faults with areas of 10 km \times 10 km, with 4 and 2 sub-faults along the strike and dip axis, respectively. The location of each sub-faults in the fault model of the two earthquakes are shown in Figure 4. The top depths for the two earthquakes are 15.3 km and 29.1 km, respectively, which corresponds to sub-fault 1-4 in each fault models (Figure 4a, b). The rest of the depths from shallowest to the deepest portion along dip axis are derived using fault parameters of width dimensions and dip angles. The respective fault parameters of each sub-fault in fault models of the two earthquakes were summarized in Table 3.

The tsunami sensitivity to non-uniform slip distribution of the fault model was evaluated. To that purpose, two levels of slip to each sub-fault were established, which were the large (asperity) slip and background slip regions of the entire fault. The large slip and background slip region should satisfy the moment magnitude (M_w) to avoid overestimation. The slip amount in each region was obtained from following procedures. First, the amount of average slip (D_a) was calculated using moment magnitude (M_w), entire fault area (S), and rigidity (μ) of 30 GPa following the equations introduced by Kanamori, 1977. The equations are presented in equation (7)-(8).

$$M_w = \frac{\log M_0 - 9.1}{1.5} \tag{7}$$

$$D_a = \frac{M_0}{\mu S} \tag{8}$$

Next, the slip amount of large slip $(2D_a)$ was assumed as twice the average slip based on a report of Tsunami receipt, 2017. The total area of large slip area (S') was set to be 25% of the entire fault area, and the seismic moment of large slip area (M₀') can be obtained using equation (8). Then, the slip amount of background area (D_b) was estimated using the area of background region (S_b) and following equation (8)-(9).

$$S_b = S - S' \tag{8}$$

$$D_{b} = \frac{M_{0} - M_{0}'}{\mu S_{b}}$$
(9)

The details of slip amount in each region for the two earthquakes were summarized in Table 4a.

After determining the slip amount of asperity and background regions, the tsunami sensitivity to asperity location was studied. The asperity area with large slip is placed in the shallow portion of entire fault area based on the lesson of the 2011 Tohoku-Oki earthquake (Satake et al., 2013; Fukutani et al., 2021), focusing on north (sub-fault 3-4), central (sub-fault 2-3), and south (sub-fault 1-2) part of each earthquake fault model. Assuming different location of asperity to the two earthquakes, the total number of 9 scenarios were simulated. The multiple fault models and the generated tsunamis of each earthquake were shown in Figure 5. and 6. The asperity location of multiple fault models for the two earthquakes in each scenario were summarized in Table 4b.

2.5 Tsunami simulation using open-source bathymetry data

Aside from fault parameters of source models, the bathymetry data is needed for simulating tsunami wave propagation. The simulated results of tsunami propagation are known sensitive to accuracy and resolution of bathymetry data. Despite it can be expected that the bathymetry data with a higher accuracy and resolution can produce the simulated results better fit to actual values, such a data is not always available and freely accessible. Due to this limitation, the open-source datasets are often utilized for modeling tsunamis in many previous studies (Koshimura et al., 2008; Suppasri et al., 2012; Li et al., 2016; Otake et al., 2020).

Unfortunately, the open-source datasets are sometimes problematic and not sufficient to accurately simulate the tsunami waves because of the lack of data accuracy and quality (Griffin et al., 2015). Similar issue has been reported by Zengaffinen et al., 2021 and Heidarzadeh et al., 2019 in simulating the 2018 Anak Krakatoa tsunami and the 2018 Sulawesi tsunami. Significant differences from various sources of datasets can also result in the modeled results opposite to estimated values from previous studies for purpose of tsunami hazard assessment. Therefore, it is important to assess and to comment on different available open-source bathymetries in subject to their model performances taking the 2006 tsunami as a case study.

For such purpose, the tsunami simulation was applied to two different sources of bathymetry data GEBCO data and ETOPO1 data, separately, and the misfit between the modeled results was evaluated. The GEBCO data contains the bathymetry data with a grid spacings of 15 arc seconds while ETOPO1 data has sea depth data with a resolution of 1 arc minute. To fairly investigate the model performances from different datasets, bathymetry data from two datasets were derived to 450 m grids and used as input for numerical tsunami simulations. Figure 7. shows the bathymetry data of modeled domain obtained from GEBCO and ETOPO1 data. As the initial condition, the initial water distribution of tsunami generated by the proposed multiple fault model (LS2) was used for these simulations, which the asperity location of the two earthquakes were assumed at the central of entire fault area.

2.6 Evaluation of bathymetry effect to tsunami wave trapping

To examine any significant change in tsunami wave transmission that could be recognized due to the bathymetry effect during the passage of the 2006 tsunami, the numerical experiments (MS, EXP1, EXP2) of tsunami propagation were conducted using actual and manipulated bathymetry. For the numerical experiment of the main simulation (MS), the actual bathymetry data with a resolution of 450 m derived from sea depth data with a grid spacings of 15 arc seconds from General Bathymetric Chart of Oceans (GEBCO) was used. For the manipulated bathymetry data used for numerical experiment EXP1, the sea depths larger than 500 m was replaced with 500 m depths. For the numerical experiment EXP2, the bathymetry data was manipulated by removing the sea depth with flattened sea bottom at a depth of 500 m. It is noted that the 500 m depth was defined as indicative because the bathymetric slopes for sea depths shallower than 500 m in front of southern Taiwan is great gentle, and therefore considered as the shelf region. Figure 8. shows the map manipulated bathymetry of model domain for numerical experiments EXP1 and EXP2. The details of bathymetry data used for numerical experiment MS, EXP1, and EXP2 was summarized in Table 5.

The results of numerical experiments were compared to examine how tsunami wave directivity could be changed due to the bathymetric effect, and to evaluate how much performance could the tsunami wave energy be coastally trapped in different bathymetric conditions during the passage of 2006 tsunami.

4 Sensitivity analysis to source models and bathymetry data

4.1 Single fault models

4.1.1 Tsunami sensitivity to fault depths

The sensitivity of simulated tsunami waveforms to fault depth was evaluated by varying the central fault depths of the first earthquake. The fault dimensions of 40 km \times 20 km was applied to the two earthquakes. The single fault model of two earthquakes were constructed using GCMT's moment tensor solution of nodal plane NP2 to the first and NP1 to the second earthquake. The tide gauge stations of Dongkung and Houbihu were chosen for this sensitivity analysis. Dongkung and Houbihu stations were chosen because those are the near-field stations from the source region, and therefore more sensitive to the tsunami source. The single fault models of two earthquakes and the locations of near-field tide gauge stations used for sensitivity analysis of fault depths were shown in Figure 14a.

Figure 14b showed the observed and simulated tsunami waveforms at Dongkung and Houbihu station using different fault depths of the first earthquake. At Dongkung station, the first circle of simulated tsunami waveforms matches the observed data well regardless the fault depths. At Houbihu station, the first wave crest of simulated waveform from the fault depth of 35 km is half the observed value. The simulated tsunami waveforms with shallower depths of 15 km and 20 km produce significantly higher amplitude during the

arrival of first crest wave. These revealed that the coastal site with a rather shorter distance to the source is more sensitive to the earthquake fault depths. The simulated waveforms from central fault depth of 20 km better fit to observed data than others and therefore considered as the best fault depths for simulation.

4.1.2 Comparison of eight models

The single fault models with fault dimensions of 40 km \times 20 km, and central depth of 20 km for the first and 33 km for the second earthquake were used in tsunami simulations using eight different sets of focal mechanisms to the two earthquakes estimated from GCMT and USGS. The single fault models of the two earthquakes with different focal mechanisms were plotted in Figure 15. and 16. The details of eight different sets of earthquake focal mechanisms was listed in Table 7.

In general, the simulated tsunami waveforms from all sets of earthquake focal mechanisms match the observed data well. Figure 17. shows the observed and simulated tsunami waveforms at Dongkung and Houbihu station using eight different sets of earthquake focal mechanisms. The simulated tsunami waveform from earthquake focal mechanisms of S3 (misfit = 0.530), S5 (misfit = 0.529), and S7 (misfit = 0.493) show better agreement of fit to observations than others (Table 7). Among them, the earthquake focal mechanisms of S7 were found to be the best fit scenario with the smallest misfit from the observations. The scenario S7 contains fault orientations of nodal plane (NP) NP2 of the first and NP1 of the second earthquake from USGS's moment tensor solution (Figure 15d, 16c).

While the single fault models can produce the simulated tsunami waveforms well consistent to the observations, the badly sampled (i.e., 6 min interval) signals recorded in coastal stations also raise some questions, as one would expect some potential high tsunami waves behind the observed signals. To that sense, overestimation of modeled results was expected, but the simulated tsunami waveforms using single fault models present the opposite. This indicates that the single fault models (i.e., with uniform fault slip) may not be sufficient and the asperity area (i.e., with large fault slip) on the fault should be evaluated. The tsunami sensitivity to asperity locations of multiple fault models will be discussed in next section.

4.2 Tsunami sensitivity to uniform and non-uniform fault slip models

The sensitivity of simulated tsunami waveforms to non-uniform fault slip distribution was evaluated. The single fault models were also modeled to identify the significant differences on modeled results using single (i.e., uniform slip) and multiple (i.e., non-uniform slip) fault models.

Figure 18. shows the observed and simulated tsunami waveforms at Dongkung and Houbihu station using non-uniform slip models (total 9 cases) and uniform slip model. At Dongkung station, the simulated tsunami waveforms from multiple fault models are not much different from the single fault models. Both models can produce the tsunami waveforms in a good agreement to the observed values recorded at this station. At Houbihu station, the non-uniform slip models produce the first wave crest significantly higher than observations. The simulated wave peaks from non-uniform slip models produce the wave heights approximately twice of those simulated using uniform slip. These results support that near-field station of Houbihu is rather sensitive to the effect of fault slip distribution, and some high tsunami waves might have been missed out in recorded signals from Houbihu station during the 2006 tsunami.

4.3 Tsunami simulation using open-source data of bathymetry

To analyze the tsunami sensitivity on different sources of open-accessible bathymetry data, the numerical simulations were applied using GEBCO data and ETOPO1 data. The differences between the modeled results using different bathymetry data are evaluated. This is a comparison of modeled wave peaks and waveforms by using GEBCO data and ETOPO1 data, in the 2006 tsunami.

Figure 19a. and 19b. show the spatial distribution of maximum wave heights simulated using two bathymetric grids, GEBCO data and ETOPO1 data. To evaluate the differences between modeled wave peaks, the variation and percent change of variation are calculated, which can be defined in equation (12) and (13).

$$Var_{peak} = Peak_{GEBCO} - Peak_{ETOPO1}$$
(12)

$$\% Var_{peak} = \frac{Peak_{GEBCO} - Peak_{ETOPO1}}{Peak_{GEBCO}} \times 100$$
(13)

Where Var_{peak} is the variation of modeled wave peaks calculated at each computational grid with GEBCO and ETOPO1 data, $Peak_{GEBCO}$ and $Peak_{ETOPO1}$ are defined as the calculated wave peaks of progressive wave in a unit area of the free surface. Figure 19c and 19 d illustrated the spatial distribution of the variation and percent change of variation of the modeled wave peaks in model domain, indicating the differences of modeled results using two bathymetries. The results suggest that the variation of modeled wave peaks using two bathymetries is more than 0.05 m, and the percent change is more than 50 % to GEBCO's modeled results for the area shallower than 500 m in sea depth.

Figure 20. shows the modeled tsunami waveforms at three coastal stations (i.e., black circles in Figure 19.) using two bathymetric grids. At Kaohsiung, the modeled waveforms from two bathymetries match well to each other, however, the modeled wave peak from ETOPO1 is significantly smaller than GEBCO. The bathymetries from GEBCO and ETOPO1 data can produce the tsunami waveforms at Dongkung and Houbihu similar in both wave periods and peaks. The Table 8. summarized the details of coastal stations and the peak variation percentage of modeled results from two bathymetries.

6. The mechanism of tsunami wave trapping

6.1 Bathymetry effect on tsunami wave directivity

It is commonly understood that tsunami travel with velocity that is mainly governed by seafloor depths. A tsunami propagates at a slower speed when the tsunami wave enters the shallow water from deeper water. The significant change in propagation speed allows the tsunami to change its wave direction. To assess the bathymetry effect on tsunami wave directivity during propagation, the simulations were applied using actual (MS) and manipulated bathymetry (EXP1 and EXP2).

Simulated snapshots of tsunami wave propagation using actual (MS) bathymetry are shown in Figure 21. The shelves in the front of Hengchun Peninsula have shallow depths compared to the open ocean. Figure 21a. and b. present how tsunami waves repeatedly changed their directions among the shelves and then refracted into the embayment of west coast. The tsunami waves are reflected from the coast after arrival and tended to be radiated offshore. However, it was not fully radiated offshore, instead, was again reflected at the boundary of the shelf, and refracted north toward as far as Kaohsiung and Dongkung (Figure 21c, d). The high energy waves repeatedly reflected and refracted among the shelves. Only rare tsunamis were transmitted back to the open ocean or to the east coast. These indicated that the tsunami waves are trapped over the shelves during its passage in the 2006 tsunami event. Due to this fluctuation, the high-energy tsunami wave remained along the western coast for a long time, which could be clearly seen at 75 min and 90 min after the occurrence of the first earthquake (Figure 21e, f).

Figure 22. shows the snapshots of simulated tsunami wave propagation using manipulated (EXP1) bathymetry. In this situation, the transmission of tsunami waves in the shallow area are similar to those simulated using the actual (MS) bathymetry, which the tsunami waves are persistent, and repeatedly reflected and refracted among the shelves, but with more reflected waves from the coast are radiated to the open sea (Figure 22b-f). This is because the tsunami source is located at the area with sea depths deeper than 500 m and for bathymetry with sea depths deeper than 500 m are replaced with 500 m depth in this hypothetical situation.

Aside from the numerical experiment EXP1, a rather hypothetical situation (EXP2) was conducted, which simulates the tsunami wave propagation on a bathymetry with flatted sea bottom with sea depth 500 m. Figure 23 shows the snapshots of simulated tsunami wave propagation using manipulated (EXP2) bathymetry. An inspection of tsunami wave transmission in the shallow area indicates the reflected tsunami waves from the coast are radiated homogeneously to offshore and the wave reflection and refraction could not be seen clearly. In addition, the tsunami waves propagate in a rather fast speed (i.e., in comparing to MS and EXP1) and mostly radiated out of the model domain at 75 min and 90 min after the occurrence of the first earthquake (Figure 23 d, e).

6.2 Tsunami wave energy trapped on the shelf

While the past section specified that the tsunami waves are trapped over the shelves due to the wave directivity change associated to the configuration of coastal bathymetry, the question remains how much wave energy can be trapped over the shelves in front of southern Taiwan during the passage of tsunami. To quantitatively evaluate the wave energy trapped over the shelves, the trapped ratio is introduced and used to indicate the performance of tsunami energy trapped in bathymetric situations and can be determined by equation (14).

$$R_T = \frac{E_{Shelf}}{E_{Total}} \times 100 \tag{14}$$

Where R_T is the ratio of tsunami energy trapped, E_{Shelf} is the calculated tsunami potential energy on the shelves (i.e., shallow area with sea depths shallower than 500 m), E_{Total} is the calculated total tsunami potential energy of model domain of each time step. The tsunami potential energy is determined assuming that the energy flux of the tsunami wave progressed in a unit region of free sea surface (Nosov et al., 2014) and can be determined using equation (15).

$$E_p = \oint \frac{1}{2} \rho g \eta^2 \, dx \, dy \tag{15}$$

Where E_p is the tsunami potential energy, ρ is the water density of the ocean, g is the gravity acceleration and is set as 9.81 m s⁻², and η represents the surface integral of the ocean surface disturbance at each time step. The trapped ratio of tsunami energy is calculated from the snapshots of tsunami simulation using actual (MS) and manipulated (EXP1 and EXP2) bathymetry. Figure 24. shows the calculated trapped ratio from simulated tsunami propagation snapshots in every 15 min using actual (MS) and manipulated (EXP1 and EXP2) bathymetry. It is note that for calculating trapped ratio from simulations using manipulated bathymetry (EXP1 and EXP2), the shelf region corresponding to actual bathymetry (MS) is used (i.e., the shallow area illustrated by black solid and dashed lines shown in Figure 22. and 23.). According to the equation (14) and (15), the simulations yield a tsunami energy trapped for more than 50 % when using actual bathymetry (MS) and manipulated bathymetry (EXP1), but with a smaller trapped ratio of 20 % when using manipulated bathymetry (EXP2). These quantitatively provide another confirmation to that tsunami wave energy is coastally trapped related to the shape of bathymetry.

6.3 Comparison of simulated tsunami waveforms

To understand any significant change on tsunami waveforms can be recognized with and without the wave trapping, the tsunami waveforms simulated from actual (MS) and manipulated bathymetry (EXP1 and EXP2) are compared. Figure 25. shows the simulated tsunami waveforms at three coastal stations in southern Taiwan using actual and manipulated bathymetry.

Using the manipulated bathymetry (EXP1), the first few circles of simulated tsunami waveforms at all stations are well consistent with those simulated using actual bathymetry (MS), but produce the later phase amplitudes slightly smaller. An inspection of simulated waveforms using manipulated bathymetry (EXP2) indicates a sooner arrival time of first wave and a rather smaller amplitudes of later phase to results from simulation using actual (MS) bathymetry. These ensure that the persistent high energy waves along south coast of Taiwan was associated to the mechanism of tsunami wave trapping.

6.4 Amplified and persisting high energy waves along the coast

As described in previous sections, the tsunami wave was trapped over the shelves and transmitted along

the coast as edge waves during the 2006 tsunami. This section studies how tsunami waves behaved as the edge waves, and to what extent such wave fluctuations influenced the amplified and persisting high energy waves along the south coast of Taiwan. Figure 26. shows the shelves in front of south Taiwan and the simulated tsunami heights of the 2006 tsunami from main simulation (MS).

To study the behaviors of edge waves along south coast during the 2006 tsunami, the time-distance diagram of tsunami wave is shown. Figure 27a. shows the time-distance diagram of the tsunami wave along the contour of sea depth 20 m (i.e., black dashed line in Figure 26a.). Based on the phase shift of the tsunami wave, the propagation path and the travel time curve of edge waves is illustrated (i.e., green arrow in Figure 27a.). According to the travel time curve, the edge waves propagate along the coast at the speed of 50 m s⁻¹. The edge waves propagate along the coast, which iteratively reflected at the shelf edge. The coupling of edge waves and later coming incident waves amplified tsunami waves and persists the wave oscillation in later phase. These are visible from simulated tsunami waveforms at numerical wave gauge C and E, as shown in Figure 27c.

To understand the persisting high energy waves along south coast of Taiwan during the 2006 tsunami, the decreasing tendency of tsunami wave energy along the contour of sea depth 20 m is analyzed. The temporal tsunami wave energy is first determined using equation (11) and then normalized according to the maximum temporal tsunami energy in the time series. Figure 27b. shows the time-distance diagram of the normalized tsunami energy long the contour of sea depth 20 m (i.e., black dashed line in Figure 26a.). Figure 27d. shows the normalized tsunami energy at numerical wave gauge C and E. At numerical wave gauge C, the normalized tsunami energy achieves its greatest value at approximately 40 min after the first earthquake occurrence. However, this high-energy channel did not decrease with time after the first wave arrived, instead, a persisting channel of strong energy was visible. This energy channel lasted for more than 60 min, and the wave energy repeatedly reached the maximum value in this channel. Beyond this channel, the energy commenced to decrease with a rate of energy loss of 50% at 110 min, and 20% at 270 min after the occurrence time of first earthquake. At numerical wave gauge E, the normalized tsunami energy achieves its greatest value approximately 30 min and 120 min after the first wave arrived. Beyond this channel, the energy commenced to decrease with a rather rate of energy loss of 80 % at 150 min, and 70 % at 215 min after the occurrence time of first earthquake. Accordingly, the tsunami decay process in this region is expected to last for more than 300 min. These results indicate that the wave amplification and persistent high energy waves along the coast during the 2006 tsunami were connected to tsunami wave trapping and the influence of edge waves. According to these behaviors, southern Taiwan could be affected by intensified coastal hazards and severe impacts from tsunamis.

		Earthquake 1		Earthquake 2		
		NP1	NP2	NP1	NP2	
	Long (° E)	12	0.52	120.4		
	Lat (° N)	21	.81	22.02		
CONT	Strike (deg)	165	329	151	61	
GCMT	Dip (deg)	30	61	48	90	
	Rake (deg)	-76	-98	0	138	
	Depth (km)	2	20	3	3	
USGS	Long (° E)	12	0.55	120).49	
	Lat (° N)	2	1.8	21.97		
	Strike (deg)	171	319	151	61	
	Dip (deg)	24	69	48	90	
	Rake (deg)	-61	-102	0	138	
	Depth (km)	2	25	3	3	

Table 2. Focal mechanisms for successive earthquakes estimated by GCMT and USGS.

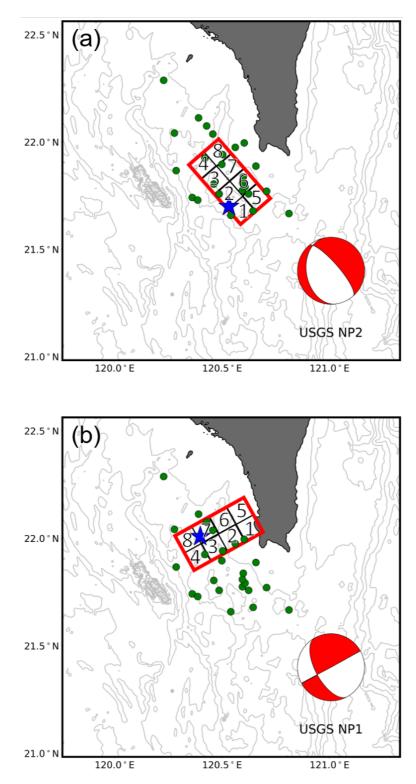


Figure 4. Fault models for the two earthquakes. (a) Sub-fault locations of the first earthquake (M_w 7.0) using NP2 of USGS's moment tensor solution. (b) Sub-fault locations of the second earthquake (M_w 6.9) using NP1 of USGS's moment tensor solution.

	Sub	Long	Lat	Length	Width	Depth	Strike	\mathbf{D}^{\prime}	Rake
f	fault	(° E)	(° N)	(km)	(km)	(km)	(°)	Dip (°)	(°)
	1	120.619	21.588	10	10	15.3	319	69	-102
	2	120.556	21.657	10	10	15.3	319	69	-102
	3	120.492	21.724	10	10	15.3	319	69	-102
Earthquake	4	120.429	21.792	10	10	15.3	319	69	-102
1	5	120.692	21.648	10	10	24.7	319	69	-102
	6	120.629	21.716	10	10	24.7	319	69	-102
	7	120.565	21.784	10	10	24.7	319	69	-102
	8	120.501	21.852	10	10	24.7	319	69	-102
	1	120.726	21.989	10	10	29.1	151	48	0
	2	120.642	21.946	10	10	29.1	151	48	0
	3	120.557	21.902	10	10	29.1	151	48	0
Earthquake 2	4	120.473	21.858	10	10	29.1	151	48	0
	5	120.680	22.068	10	10	29.1	151	48	0
	6	120.595	22.024	10	10	36.5	151	48	0
	7	120.510	21.980	10	10	36.5	151	48	0
	8	120.426	21.936	10	10	36.5	151	48	0

 Table 3. Parameters of sub-faults for the two earthquakes of the 2006 earthquakes doublet

	Earthquake 1	Earthquake 2
Moment magnitude (Mw)	7.0	6.9
Entire fault size (km ²)	800	800
Rigidity (GPa)	30	30
Average slip D _a (m)	1.66	1.17
Large slip 2D _a (m)	3.32	2.35
Background slip $D_b(m)$	1.11	0.78

Table 4a. Details of average slip, large slip, and background slip for the two earthquakes

Table 4b. Asperity location of multiple fault models for the two earthquakes

Scenario	Asperity	Asperity location of Earthquake 1			Asperity location of Earthquake 2		
Scenario	North	Central	South	North	Central	South	
LS1	\bigcirc				0		
LS2		\bigcirc			\bigcirc		
LS3			\bigcirc		\bigcirc		
LS4	\bigcirc			\bigcirc			
LS5		\bigcirc		0			
LS6			\bigcirc	0			
LS7	\bigcirc					\bigcirc	
LS8		\bigcirc				\bigcirc	
LS9			\bigcirc			0	

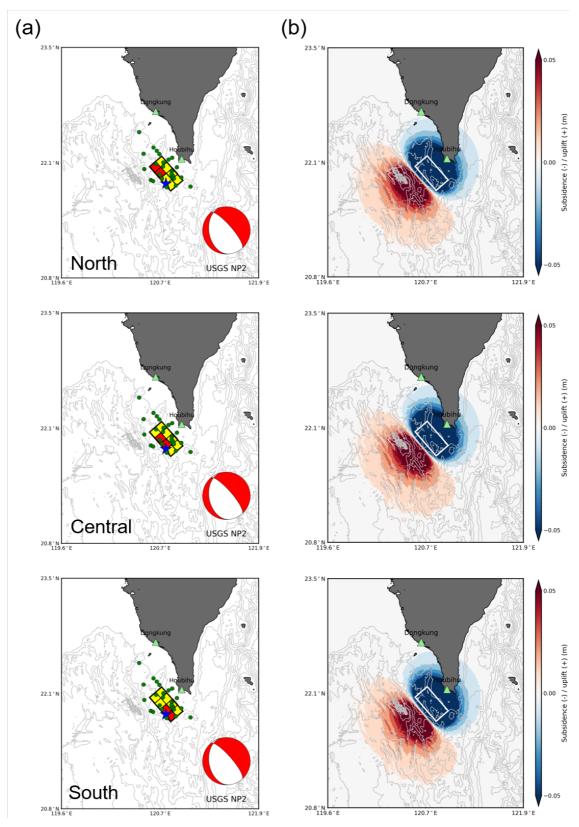


Figure 5. (a) Map of sub-fault boundaries with different asperity location for the first earthquake $(M_w 7.0)$. (b) Co-seismic crustal vertical displacement calculated using the fault parameters of sub-

faults. The beachball denotes the focal mechanisms of USGS NP2 nodal planes for the first earthquake. The sub-faults in red represent the large slip areas, and the sub-faults in yellow represent the background slip areas. The large slip area was placed only at shallow parts of entire fault area. The blue stars represent the epicenter of the first earthquake, and the green circles represent the aftershocks. The tide gauge stations are plotted in green triangles.

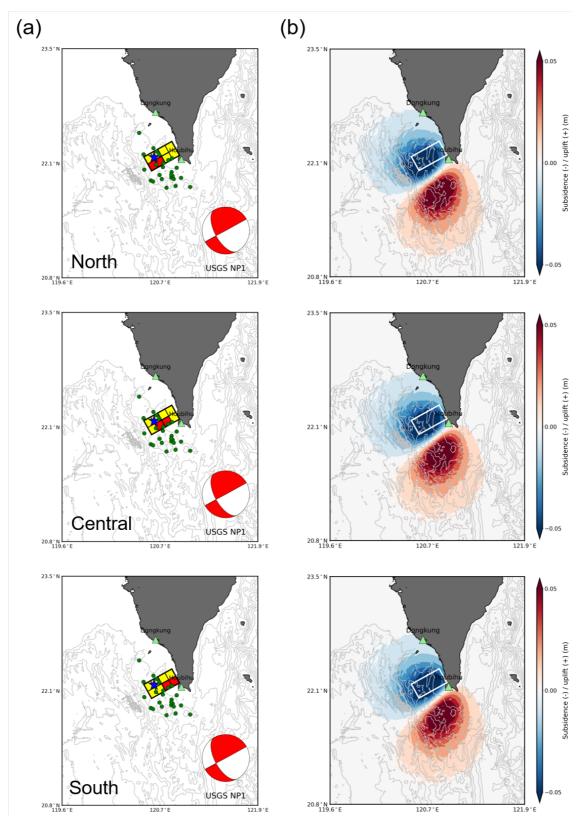


Figure 6. (a) Map of sub-fault boundaries with three different locations of large slip areas for the second earthquake (M_w 6.9). (b) Co-seismic crustal vertical displacement calculated using the fault

parameters of sub-faults. The beachball denotes the focal mechanisms of USGS NP2 nodal planes for the first earthquake. The sub-faults in red represent the large slip areas, and the sub-faults in yellow represent the background slip areas. The large slip area was placed only at shallow parts of entire fault area. The blue stars represent the epicenter of the first earthquake, and the green circles represent the aftershocks. The tide gauge stations are plotted in green triangles.

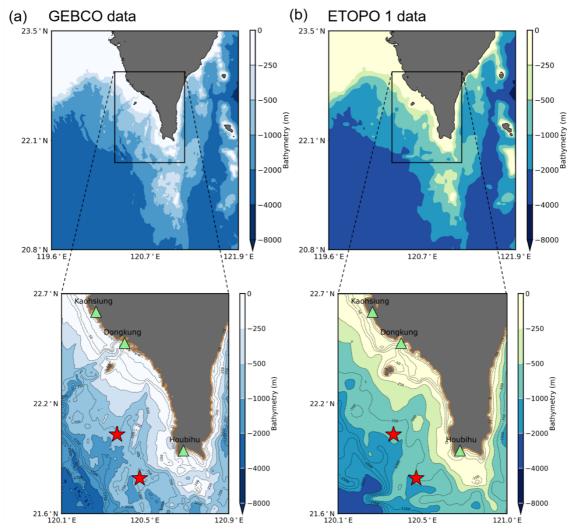


Figure 7. Bathymetry map of model domain from GEBCO and ETOPO1 bathymetry data. The green triangles denote the location of tide gauge stations. The red stars present the epicenters of the two earthquakes.

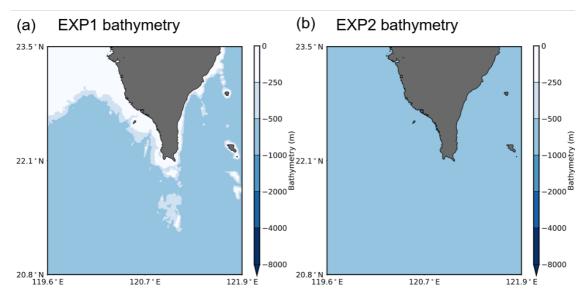


Figure 8. Maps of the manipulated bathymetry of model domain for numerical experiments (a) EXP1 and (b) EXP2.

	Numerical experiments			
	MS	EXP1	EXP2	
Bathymetry source		GEBCO data		
Grid size		450 m		
Mesh number (x, y)		(538, 631)		
Description of bathymetry conditions	Sea depths from GEBCO data	Sea depths larger than 500 m were replaced with 500 m depths	Sea depths of entire domain were replaced with 500 m depths.	

Table 5. Details of the bathymetry data used for numerical experiments MS, EXP1, and EXP2.

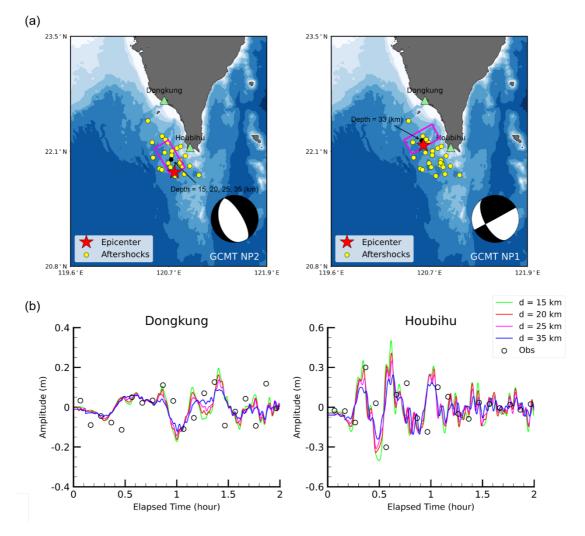


Figure 14. (a) Single fault models with fault dimensions (length × width) of 40 km × 20 km of the first earthquake using GCMT NP2 nodal plane, and the second earthquake using GCMT NP1 nodal plane. The central fault depth of single fault models for first earthquake are set from 15 km, 20 km, 25 km, 35 km, and the central fault depth is fixed at 33 km for the single fault models of second earthquake for tsunami sensitivity test. (b) Observed and simulated tsunami waveforms at the Dongkung and Houbihu stations using single fault models with different central fault depths of the first earthquake.

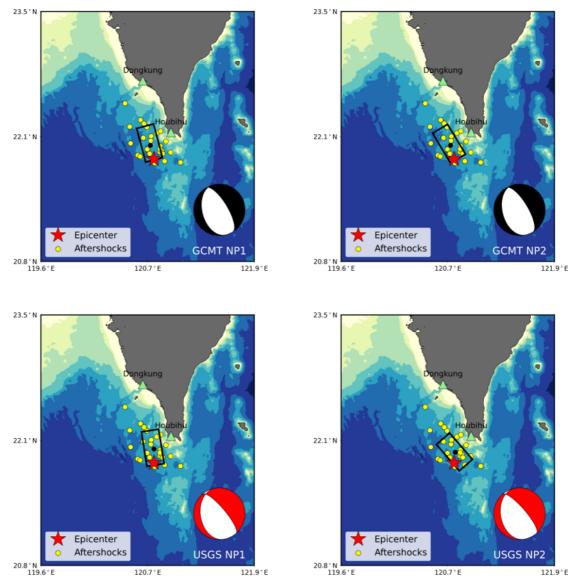


Figure 15. Simple fault models of the first earthquake (M_w 7.0) using the focal mechanisms from GCMT and USGS. The green triangles indicate the tide gauge stations, red stars indicate the epicenter, yellow circles indicate aftershocks, and the black rectangles indicate the fault model.

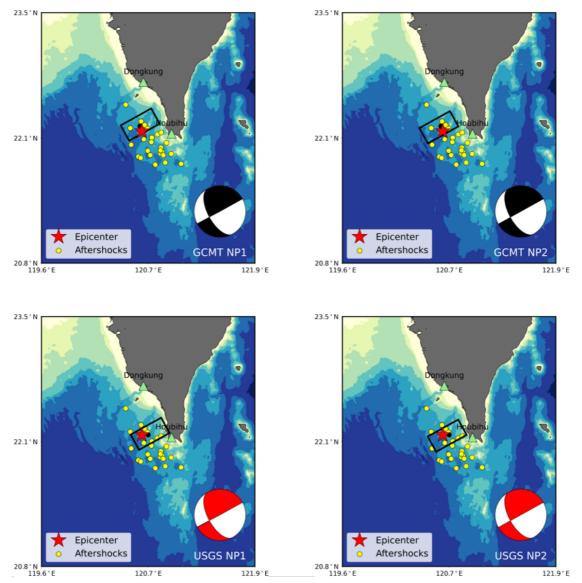


Figure 16. Simple fault models of the second earthquake (M_w 6.9) using the focal mechanisms from GCMT and USGS. The green triangles indicate the tide gauge stations, red stars indicate the epicenter, yellow circles indicate aftershocks, and the black rectangles indicate the fault model.

		Nodal	Misfit of	
Scenario	Moment Tensor			simulated
Scenario	Solution	Earthquake 1	Earthquake 2	tsunami
				waveforms
S1		NP1	NP1	0.591
S2	GCMT	NP1	NP2	0.632
S 3		NP2	NP1	0.530
S4		NP2	NP2	0.661
S5		NP1	NP1	0.529
S6	USGS	NP1	NP2	0.604
S7	0303	NP2	NP1	0.493
S8		NP2	NP2	0.735

Table 7. Validation of the simulated tsunami waveforms using single fault models with eight different models of focal mechanisms estimated by GCMT and USGS.

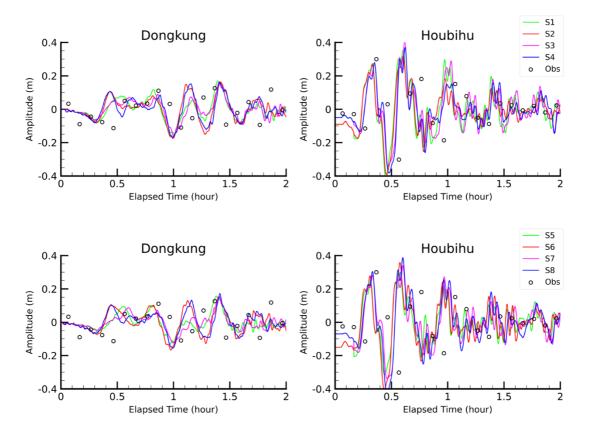


Figure 17. Comparison of simulated tsunami waveforms at Dongkung and Houbihu stations using single fault models with eight different models of focal mechanisms estimated by GCMT and USGS.

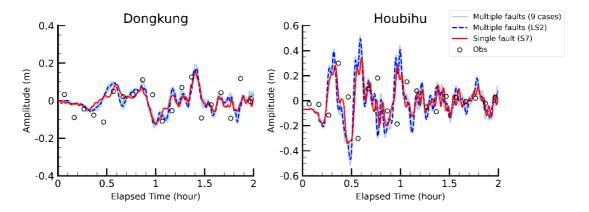


Figure 18. Comparison of simulated tsunami waveforms at Dongkung and Houbihu stations using 9 cases of multiple fault models (blue solid lines) and single fault model of S7 (red solid lines). The simulated tsunami waveforms using multiple fault model (LS2) was shown in blue dashed lines. The white circles represent the observation data.

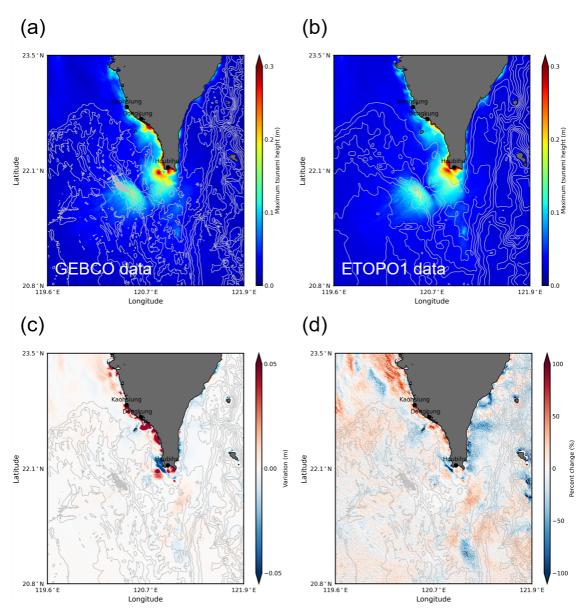


Figure 19. Simulated maximum tsunami height using open source bathymetry data (a) GEBCO and (b) ETOPO1 data. (c) The variation and (d) the percent variation of simulated maximum tsunami height using two source of bathymetry data. The black circles indicate the location of tide gauge stations. The bathymetry contour is 500 m based on bathymetry data of GEBCO or ETOPO1 data.

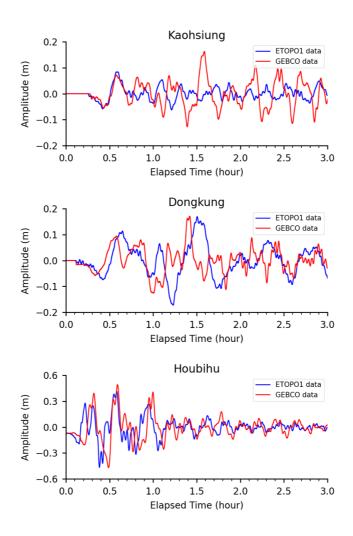


Figure 20. Simulated tsunami waveforms at (a) Kaohsiung (b) Dongkung, and (c) Houbihu station using two different open source bathymetry GEBCO and ETOPO1 data.

Station	Sea depth (m)		Simulated wave peak (m)			
					Var _{peak}	%Var _{peak}
	GEBCO	ETOPO1	GEBCO	ETOPO1		
Kaohsiung	10	8	0.163	0.084	0.079	48.45
Dongkung	9	14	0.171	0.17	0.001	0.58
Houbihu	4	11	0.493	0.414	0.079	16.02

 Table 8. Details of tide gauge stations for location of simulating tsunami waveforms and misfit of model results using different open source bathymetry data.

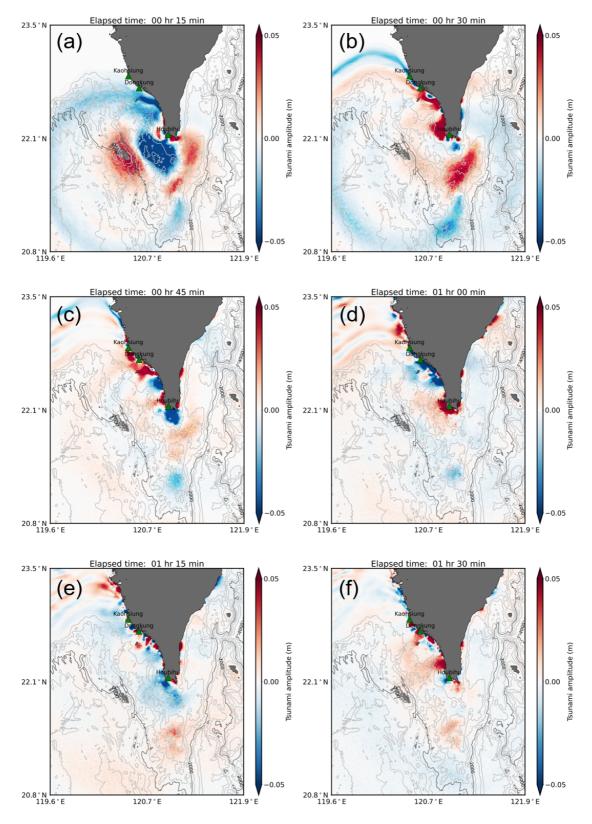


Figure 21. Tsunami propagation snapshots from the numerical experiment MS. The tide gauge stations are plotted in green triangles. The bathymetry contour is 500 m.

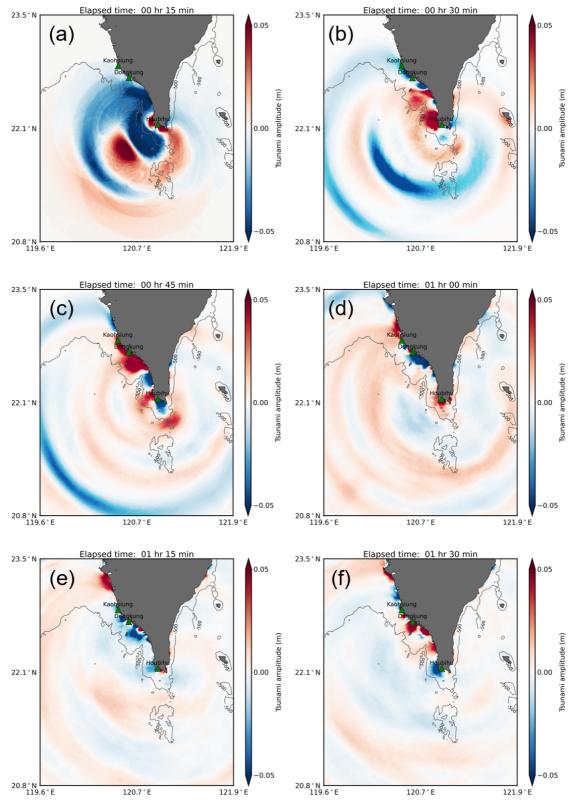


Figure 22. Tsunami propagation snapshots from the numerical experiment EXP1. The tide gauge stations are plotted in green triangles. The bathymetry contour of 500 m depth is shown in gray solid line.

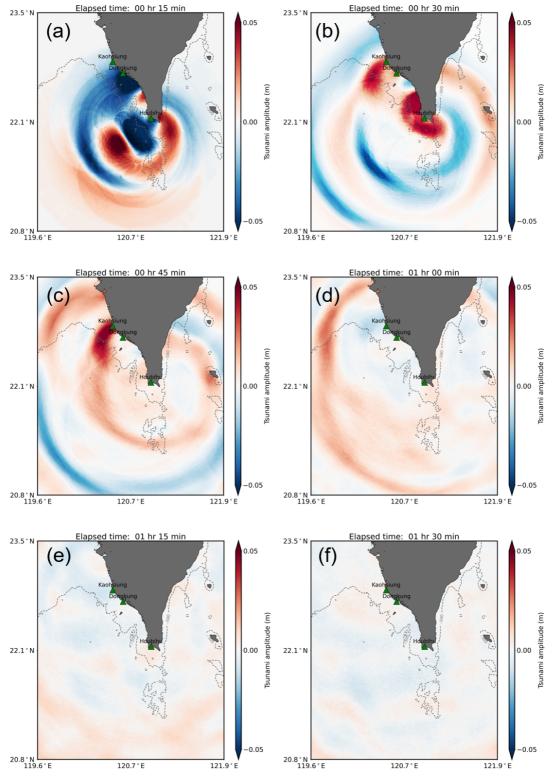


Figure 23. Tsunami propagation snapshots from the numerical experiment EXP2. The tide gauge stations are plotted in green triangles. The corresponding bathymetry contour of 500 m depth from GEBGO data is shown in gray dashed line.

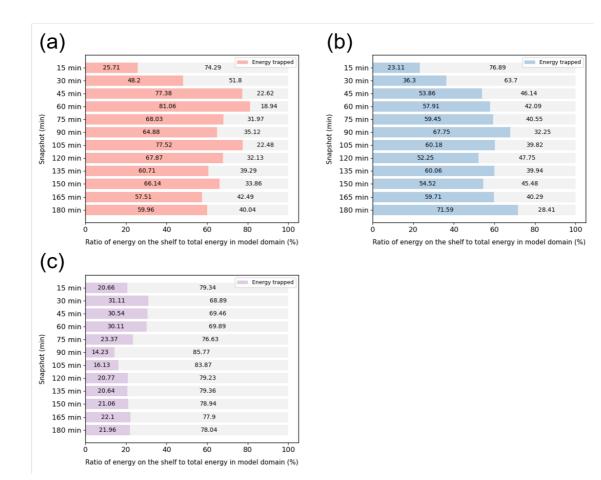


Figure 24. Trapped ratio calculated from tsunami propagation snapshots in every 15 min from numerical experiment (a) MS, (b) EXP1, and (c) EXP2.

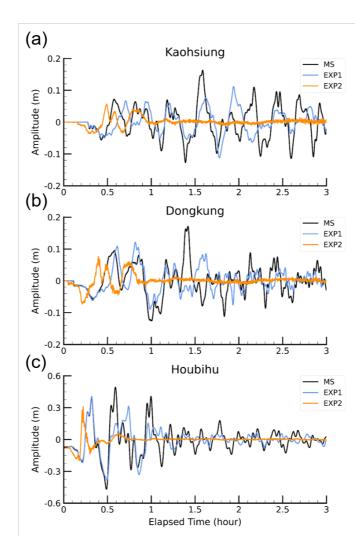


Figure 25. Simulated tsunami waveforms at (a) Kaohsiung (b) Dongkung, and (c) Houbihu station from numerical experiment MS, EXP1, and EXP2.

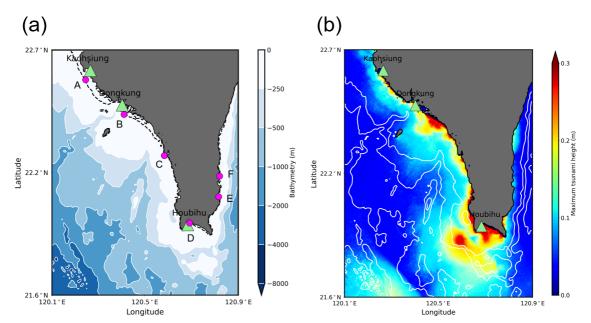


Figure 26. Zoomin map of (a) the bathymetry around southern Taiwan, and (b) the simulated maximum tsunami height using multiple fault model (LS2). Green triangles indicate the locations of tide gauge stations, and pink circles denote numerical wave gauges at sea depth 20 m. The white solid lines are contour lines, and the black dashed line presents the bathymetric contour at a depth of 20 m.

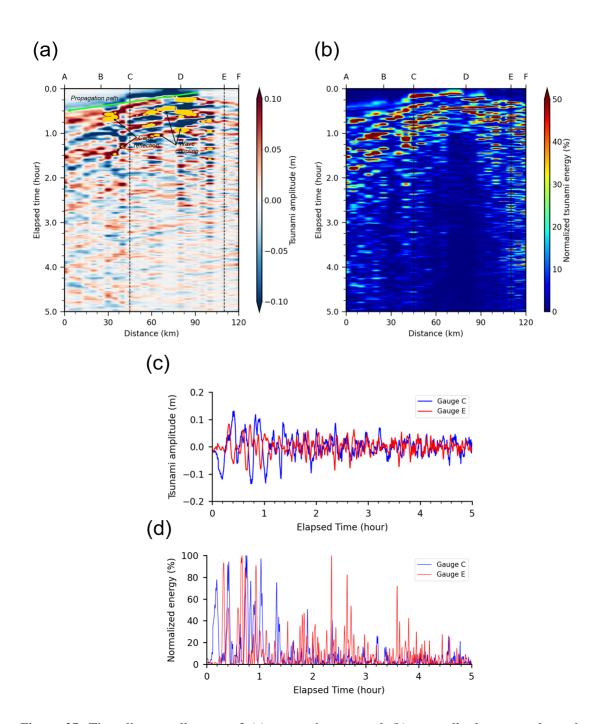


Figure 27. Time-distance diagram of (a) tsunami wave and (b) normalized energy along the bathymetry contour of 20 m from numerical wave gauge A to F, and time series measurements of (c) tsunami amplitude and (d) normalized energy at numerical wave gauge C and E. The black dashed lines indicate the distances of numerical wave gauge C and E from A. For interpretation of the references, the reader is referred to the Figure 26a.