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 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3.

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.

Reviewer comments	Our answers	Corrected manuscript
Line 15: Please remove 'for the	We thank the reviewer for	Line 14:
first time'	pointing this out. We corrected it	A small tsunami was generated,
	by removing the word.	and recorded at tide gauge
		stations for the first time .
Line 44: I suggest putting in a	We thank and agree with the	From line 48 to line 49:
reference to Figure 1 already	reviewer. We corrected it by	The locations of Hengchun
here.	linking a reference to Figure 1.	Peninsula and the epicenters of
		the successive earthquakes are
		shown in Figure 1.
Line 51: The Lay and Kanamori	We thank the reviewer for	From line 50 to line 56:
refence is general but the way the	pointing this out. The sentence	The respective magnitudes of

sentence reads it sounds like the	was rephrased, and additional	these two earthquakes were
paper refers to this event. Please	references about earthquakes	suggested to be $M_L = 7.0 \ (M_w =$
rephrase, and include a specific	doublet in seismological	7.0 in the Global CMT catalog)
reference work (e.g. from	perspective of view were	for the former, and $M_L = 7.0 (M_w$
seismology) that consider the	included.	= 6.9 in the Global CMT catalog)
2006 event in particular.		for the latter. From seismological
		perspective of view, pairs of
		large earthquakes with
		equivalent rupture size and
		occurred in a similar spatial and
		temporal proximity were
		specified as doublet (Lay and
		Kanamori, 1980; Kagan and
		Jackson, 1999). Sharing
		comparable earthquake
		magnitudes, and very close
		epicenters and occurrence times,
		the successive earthquakes are
		referred as an event of doublet
		(Ma and Liang, 2008; Wu et al.,
		2009).
Line 51: 'Casualties', do you	Thank you very much for the	
mean 'fatalities'? The former also	suggestion. According to the	
refer to injuries, the latter only to	report of National Disaster	
loss of life.	prevention and Protection	
	Commission, R.O.C., 2007, the	
	26 December 2006 earthquakes	
	caused 44 injuries, including 2	
	fatal ones, 3 building collapse,	
	and massive damages of	
	submarine communication	
	cables. To that sense, we	
	considered to use the vocabulary	
	'Casualties' here.	
Line 57: 'propagated toward' à	We are very sorry for making	Line 61:
'propagated towards'	this spelling mistake. We	A small tsunami was generated

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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 64-66:
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:
6	pointing this out. We corrected it.	This recent tsunami not only
	r 8	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
suggest shortening.	the paragraph.	December 2006 teunomi also
		December 2000 tsunann also
Line 67. Dieses delete contant	We thenk the merioder for	Jine 70.
Line 0/: Please delete sentence	we thank the reviewer for	Line /U:
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.
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 72 to 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
		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 98 to line 101:
	pointing this out. We rephased	The December 2006 earthquake
	the sentence.	tsunami represents a unique and
		recent incident in Taiwan;
		therefore, these findings could
		not only help further clarify
		tsunami generation and the
		important behaviors responsible
		for tsunami hazards facing 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 to line 106:
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
The point is that it can only be		patterns.
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 118 to line 121:
observation'. 'duration' à	pointing this out. We corrected it.	The tsunami durations represent
'durations', and 'was' à 'were'		the observation time of high-
		energy tsunami waves persisting
		at a coastal site. The tsunami
		durations at all the stations were
		identified based on a calculation
		of root mean square (RMS) sea
		levels, indicating the elapsed
		time of the wave amplitude
		above the normal oscillation
		level 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:
	pointing this out. We corrected it.	The Fourier analysis and the
		wavelet (time-frequency)

		analysis.
Line 144: The first sentence in	Thank you very much for the	Please see section 2.3 (from line
the paragraph is somewhat	valuable comments. We	149-177)
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	149 to 177)
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	149 to 177)
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	$\Delta t \leq \Delta x$	
least with two different	$\Delta t \leq \sqrt{2gh_{max}}$	
(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 220 to
gain anything with adding non-	tsunami sensitivity to non-	248) 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 464 to
distribution? This deserves to be		478)
discussed more.		
Line 186: 'horizontal effect' à	We appreciated the reviewer for	Please see line 175-176:
'horizontal deformation	the correction. The sentence was	The horizontal deformation
contribution to tsunami	revised.	contribution to tsunami
generation'		generation on the steep
		bathymetric slopes (Tanioka and
		Satake, 1996) was 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 173-174:
'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 276 to 291). 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

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.	and the approach and results could be found in section 2.5 (from line 250 to 274) and section 5.3 (from 480 to 502), respectively. Please see section 2.6 (from line 276-291).
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 276-291) and section 6.1 (from line 505-535).
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 307 top line 308: 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 455-462. 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.
Line 254: You say 'abnormally	We apologize for our confusing	Please see line 326-328
Line 254: You say 'abnormally long', but compared to what?	We apologize for our confusing expression. We meant that	Please see line 326-328 The calculated tsunami duration
Line 254: You say 'abnormally long', but compared to what?	We apologize for our confusing expression. We meant that Kaohsiung and Houbihu station	Please see line 326-328 The calculated tsunami duration at Dongkung was as much as 3.9
Line 254: You say 'abnormally long', but compared to what?	We apologize for our confusing expression. We meant that Kaohsiung and Houbihu station recorded the tsunami durations	Please see line 326-328 The calculated tsunami duration at Dongkung was as much as 3.9 h, while the tsunami continued
Line 254: You say 'abnormally long', but compared to what?	We apologize for our confusing expression. We meant that Kaohsiung and Houbihu station recorded the tsunami durations for more than 6 hours during the	Please see line 326-328 The calculated tsunami duration at Dongkung was as much as 3.9 h, while the tsunami continued for more than 6 h in Kaohsiung
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Line 254: You say 'abnormally long', but compared to what? Line 271: What does the background spectra contain? Are they de-tided? Please clarify.	We apologize for our confusing expression. We meant that Kaohsiung and Houbihu station recorded the tsunami durations for more than 6 hours during the 2006 tsunami. We have removed the word 'prolonged', and rephrased the sentence to improve the lack clarity. We apologize for our lack expression. The background spectra are the spectral	Please see line 326-328 The calculated tsunami duration at Dongkung was as much as 3.9 h, while the tsunami continued for more than 6 h in Kaohsiung and Houbihu. Please see line 346 to line 350 The background spectra are the spectral components calculated
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Line 254: You say 'abnormally long', but compared to what? Line 271: What does the background spectra contain? Are they de-tided? Please clarify.	We apologize for our confusing expression. We meant that Kaohsiung and Houbihu station recorded the tsunami durations for more than 6 hours during the 2006 tsunami. We have removed the word 'prolonged', and rephrased the sentence to improve the lack clarity. We apologize for our lack expression. The background spectra are the spectral components calculated from de- tided observed data of 5 h before the tsunami arrival.	Please see line 326-328 The calculated tsunami duration at Dongkung was as much as 3.9 h, while the tsunami continued for more than 6 h in Kaohsiung and Houbihu. Please see line 346 to line 350 The background spectra are the spectral components calculated from de-tided observed data of 5 h before the tsunami arrival, and the spectral components of the observed tsunami waveform were computed using 5 h data

		tsunami wave arrived.
Line 293: I think this is stating	Thank you very much for	
the obvious, and it could perhaps	pointing this out. We skipped	
be skipped?	this statement.	
Line 329: 'determined' à	Thank you very much for	Please see line 388
'estimated'	pointing this out. The vocabulary	Assuming the mean sea depths
	was revised.	around tsunami source region is
		300 m, the fault rupture
		dimensions for the two
		earthquakes could be estimated
		to 20- 40 km.
Line 372: I would say it is the	Thank you very much for the	Please see line 181-184
opposite: The data can be used to	valuable comments. The	Multiple forward tsunami
validate the numerical	sentence was rephrased.	simulations were conducted
simulations.		using single fault models with
		different fault depths and fault
		orientations. The main goal of
		the multiple forward tsunami
		simulations was to find a single
		fault model that could produce
		tsunami waveforms that were
		highly consistent with the tide
		gauge station observations in
		southern Taiwan.
Line 377: If there is	We appreciate the reviewer for	Please see section 2.4.2 (from
undersampling, you would	the valuable suggestions on this	line 220 to 248) for the
normally expect the numerical	issue. We established and	approach and section 5.2 (from
simulations to overestimate the	simulated the non-uniform slip	line 464 to 478) for the results.
wave measurements, because the	scenarios to examine whether	
measurements would miss out	the measurements have missed	
on larger amplitude waves. Here	out on larger amplitude waves.	
it seems to be the other way		
around, implying that the		
simulations are lower than you		
would expect from the		

measurements. The authors need to elaborate on this. For instance, why was not alternative scenarios or random / heterogeneous slip investigated with several scenarios?		
Line 388: Replace 'It is commonly understood that' with 'The longest wave component'. Then add an 'a' ahead of 'velocity'.	Thank you very much for the valuable comments. The vocabulary was revised, and sentence was rephrased.	Please see line 499 The longest wave component of tsunami travel with a velocity that is mainly governed by seafloor depths.
Line 390: Add 'through diffraction' after 'wave direction'.	We appreciate the reviewer for the correction. The vocabulary was added.	Please see line 507 to 508 The significant change in propagation speed allows the tsunami to change its wave direction through diffraction.
Line 391: 'of the' à 'using'	Thank you very much for the suggestion. The vocabulary was revised.	Please see line 511 to line 512 Simulated snapshots of tsunami wave propagation using actual (MS) bathymetry are shown in Figure 21.
Line 395: I found it difficult to follow the authors in this paragraph. I suggest that the authors review the text and try to rephrase it, at least the first 6-7 lines.	We apologize for the confusing expression in this paragraph. The paragraph was re-written.	Please see section 6.1 (from line 505 to 535).
Line 422: I suggest to comment on previous studies investigating fits and misfits using open source bathymetry and topography data, e.g. Griffin et al., (2015).	Thank you very much for this valuable suggestion. We examined the misfits of modeled results using open-accessible bathymetry and topography.	Please see section 5.3 (from line 480 to 502)
Line 426: The sentence starting with 'These results further confirmed' I found was	We appreciate the reviewer for the valuable comments. To strength the conclusion related to	Please see section 6.2 and 6.3 (from line 537 to 573)

formulated too conclusive. The	wave trapping, we applied	
number of investigations are	additional analysis including	
rather limited, and there should	energy trapping ratio, and the	
be room for additional	comparison of calculated	
investigations to strengthen the	waveforms.	
conclusion related to wave		
trapping.		
Line 439-441: What the authors	We apologize for the unclarity of	Pease see section 6.4 (from line
write here is not clear from the	the figure. We replotted the	575 to 608) and Figure 27.
figures. If there is additional not	figure and rephased the	
shown that back this up please	statement in this paragraph.	
state this explicitly.		
Line 482: 'characterized' à	Thank you very much for the	Please see line 617
'analyzed'	suggestion. The vocabulary was	The physical characteristics of
	revised.	tsunami waveforms in all three
		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 that describes equations for the motion of tsunami wave propagation. 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 some of the most commonly used methods to model tsunami propagation from the source to nearshore areas. Various computational models have been developed to solve shallow water equations, and the TUNAMI (Tohoku University Numerical Analysis Model for Investigation of tsunamis) code is one of the widely used models to numerically simulate both far-field and near-field tsunamis (Suppasri et al., 2010; Suppasri et al., 2014). The second version of the TUNAMI code (TUNAMI-N2) was mainly developed to deal with near-field tsunamis by applying the nonlinear theory of shallow water equations, which is solved using a leap-frog scheme (Imamura, 1995). Since the 2006 tsunami presented as a near-field tsunami in Taiwan, the TUNAMI-N2 model was used in this study to simulate the 2006 tsunami with nonlinear shallow water equations. The nonlinear shallow water equations on the Cartesian coordinate system are presented in equations (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⁾

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \chi} \left(\frac{M^2}{D}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{MN}{D}\right) + g D \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \chi} + \frac{g n^2}{D^{\frac{7}{3}}} M \sqrt{M^2 + N^2} = 0$$
(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 these equations, η is the water level, *M* and *N* are the discharge fluxes in the *x* and *y* directions, respectively, *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 as 0.025 s m^{-1/3}, assuming that the seafloor in the model domain is in perfect condition. The numerical tsunami simulations were conducted with a time interval of 0.1 s and grid intervals of 450 m. The entire model domain covered the source region and southern Taiwan, which comprised mesh numbers of 538 and 631 in the x and y directions, respectively. The time interval and grid intervals were set up to satisfy the Courant–Friedrichs–Lewy (CFL) condition to ensure the stability of the simulation. The CFL condition is presented in equation (5):

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

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

2.4 Sensitivity analyses of source models

2.4.1 Single fault models

Multiple forward tsunami simulations were conducted using single fault models with different fault depths and fault orientations. The main goal of the multiple forward tsunami simulations was to find a single fault model that could produce tsunami waveforms that were highly consistent with the tide gauge station observations in southern Taiwan.

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

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

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

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

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

focal mechanisms that better explain the observed tsunami data. The misfit of the 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 the observed and synthetic tsunami waveforms, N is the total number of data points, Obs_i is the observed data at time step *i*, and Sim_i is the simulated data at time step *i*. Equation (8) calculates ε for one station. For cases with several stations, the overall misfit is obtained from the mean of the ε values computed from all the stations.

2.4.2 Multiple fault models

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

The tsunami sensitivity to the non-uniform slip distribution of the fault model was evaluated. For that purpose, two slip levels for each subfault were established, namely, the large (asperity) slip and the background slip region of the entire fault. The large slip and background slip region should satisfy the M_w to avoid overestimation. The slip amount in each region was obtained using the following procedures. First, the amount of average slip (D_a) was calculated using the M_w, the entire fault area (S), and a rigidity (μ) of 30 GPa, per the equations introduced by Kanamori (1977):

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

2.5 Tsunami simulation using open-source bathymetry data

In addition to the fault parameters of the source models, bathymetry data are needed for simulating tsunami wave propagation. Simulated tsunami propagation results are known to be sensitive to the accuracy and resolution of bathymetry data. Although it can be expected that bathymetry data with a higher accuracy and resolution can produce simulated results that better fit the actual values, such data are not always available and freely accessible. Due to this limitation, open-source datasets have often been 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, open-source datasets are sometimes problematic and insufficient for the accurate simulation of tsunami waves because they lack accurate, quality data (Griffin et al., 2015). A 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 in various sources of datasets can also result in modeled results that contrast estimated values from previous studies. Therefore, for the purpose of tsunami hazard assessment, it is important to assess and note different available open-source bathymetries in relation to model performances, using the 2006 tsunami as an example.

For this purpose, a tsunami simulation was separately applied to two different sources of bathymetry data, namely, General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans (GEBCO) data and ETOPO1 data, and the misfit between the modeled results was evaluated. The GEBCO data contain bathymetry data with grid intervals of 15 arc seconds, while ETOPO1 data have sea depth data with a resolution of 1 arc minute. To fairly investigate the model performances from different datasets, bathymetry data from the two datasets were converted to 450 m grids and used as the input for the numerical tsunami simulations. Figure 7 Shows the bathymetry data of the modeled domain obtained from GEBCO and ETOPO1 data. As the initial condition, the initial water distribution of the tsunami generated by the proposed multiple fault model (LS2) was used for these simulations, in which the asperity locations of the two earthquakes were assumed to be at the center of the

entire fault area.

2.6 Evaluation of the bathymetry effect on tsunami wave trapping

To examine any significant change in tsunami wave transmission that could be attributed to the bathymetry effect during the passage of the 2006 tsunami, numerical experiments (MS, EXP1, EXP2) for tsunami propagation were conducted using actual and manipulated bathymetry data. For the main simulation (MS) numerical experiment, actual GEBCO bathymetry data with a resolution of 450 m derived from sea depth data with grid intervals of 15 arc seconds were used. For the manipulated bathymetry data that were used for numerical experiment EXP1, sea depths greater than 500 m were replaced with 500 m depths. For numerical experiment EXP2, the bathymetry data were manipulated by removing sea depth data with a flattened sea bottom at a depth of 500 m. The 500 m depth was specified because the bathymetric slopes are very gentle at sea depths shallower than 500 m near southern Taiwan, and the area is therefore considered a shelf region. Figure 8 Shows the map-manipulated bathymetry of the model domain for numerical experiments EXP2. The details of the bathymetry data used for numerical experiments MS, EXP1 and EXP2. The details of the bathymetry data used for numerical experiments MS, EXP1, and EXP2 are summarized in Table 5.

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

5. Sensitivity analyses of source models and bathymetry data

5.1 Single fault models

5.1.1 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. Fault dimensions of 40 km \times 20 km were applied to the two earthquakes. The single fault model of the two earthquakes was constructed using the GCMT solution of nodal plane NP2 for the first earthquake and NP1 for the second earthquake. The tide gauge stations of Dongkung and Houbihu were chosen for this sensitivity analysis because they the closest stations to the source region and were therefore more sensitive to the tsunami source. The single fault models of the two earthquakes and the locations of the near-field tide gauge stations that were used for the sensitivity analysis of fault depths are shown in Figure 14a.

Figure 14b shows the observed and simulated tsunami waveforms at the Dongkung and Houbihu stations using different fault depths of the first earthquake. At the Dongkung station, the first circle of simulated tsunami waveforms matched the observed data well regardless of the fault depths. At the Houbihu station, the first wave crest of the simulated waveform from a fault depth of 35 km was half the size of the observed value. Simulated tsunami waveforms with shallower depths of 15 km and 20 km produced significantly higher amplitudes during the arrival of the first crest wave. These results revealed that coastal sites with a

shorter distance to the source are more sensitive to earthquake fault depths. The simulated waveforms from a central fault depth of 20 km fit the observed data better than other simulations did, and therefore, this was considered the best fault depth for simulation.

5.1.2 Comparison of eight models

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

In general, the simulated tsunami waveforms from all eight sets of earthquake focal mechanisms matched the observed data well. Figure 17 shows the observed and simulated tsunami waveforms at the Dongkung and Houbihu stations using the eight different sets of earthquake focal mechanisms. The simulated tsunami waveform from the earthquake focal mechanisms of S3 (misfit = 0.530), S5 (misfit = 0.529), and S7 (misfit = 0.493) showed a better fit to the observations than did the other simulations (Table 7). Among them, the earthquake focal mechanisms of S7 were found to be the best fitting scenario with the smallest misfit from the observations. Scenario S7 contained the fault orientations of NP2 for the first earthquake and NP1 for the second earthquake from USGS's moment tensor solution (Figures 15d, 16c).

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

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

The sensitivity of simulated tsunami waveforms to non-uniform fault slip distribution was evaluated based on the best fitting fault geometry of S7. The fault model with uniform slip was also modeled to identify the significant differences in the modeled results from the uniform and non-uniform slip fault models.

Figure 18 shows the observed and simulated tsunami waveforms at the Dongkung and Houbihu stations using non-uniform slip models (9 cases in total) and a uniform slip model. At the Dongkung station, the simulated tsunami waveforms from multiple fault models were not much different from those of the single fault models. Both models could produce tsunami waveforms in good agreement with the observed values

recorded at this station. At the Houbihu station, the non-uniform slip models produced a significantly higher first wave crest than the observations. The simulated wave peaks from the non-uniform slip models produced wave heights approximately twice those simulated using the uniform slip. These results indicated that the near-field station of Houbihu was rather sensitive to the effect of the fault slip distribution, and some high tsunami waves might have been missing from the recorded signals at the Houbihu station during the 2006 tsunami.

5.3 Tsunami simulation using open-source bathymetric data

To analyze the tsunami sensitivity on different sources of open-source, accessible bathymetry data, numerical simulations were applied using GEBCO and ETOPO1 data. The differences between the modeled results using these different bathymetry data were evaluated to compare the modeled wave peaks and waveforms in the 2006 tsunami.

Figures 19a and 19b show the spatial distribution of the maximum wave heights simulated using two bathymetric grids, the GEBCO data and ETOPO1 data. To evaluate the differences between the modeled wave peaks, the variation and percent change in the variation were calculated, which can be defined in equations (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 in the modeled wave peaks calculated at each computational grid with GEBCO and ETOPO1 data and $Peak_{GEBCO}$ and $Peak_{ETOPO1}$ are defined as the calculated wave peaks of progressive waves in a unit area of the free surface. Figures 19c and 19d illustrate the spatial distribution of the variation and percent change in the variation of the modeled wave peaks in the model domain, indicating the differences in the modeled results using the two bathymetries. The results suggested that the variation in the modeled wave peaks using the two bathymetries was greater than 0.05 m and the percent change was greater than 50% between the modeled results for areas with sea depths of less than 500 m.

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

6. The mechanism of tsunami wave trapping

6.1 Bathymetry effect on tsunami wave directivity

It is commonly understood that tsunami velocities are mainly governed by seafloor depths. A tsunami propagates at a slower speed when the tsunami wave enters 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, simulations were applied using actual (MS) and manipulated bathymetry experiments (EXP1 and EXP2).

Simulated snapshots of tsunami wave propagation using actual (MS) bathymetry data are shown in Figure 21. The continental shelves in front of Hengchun Peninsula have shallow depths compared to the open ocean. Figures 21a and b present how tsunami waves repeatedly changed their directions among the shelves and then refracted into the west coast embayment. The tsunami waves were reflected from the coast after arrival and tended to radiate offshore. However, they did not fully radiate offshore; instead, they were reflected again at the boundary of the shelf and refracted north toward 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 results indicated that the tsunami waves were trapped over the shelves during their 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 snapshots of the simulated tsunami wave propagation using manipulated (EXP1) bathymetry. In this situation, the transmission of tsunami waves in the shallow area was similar to those simulated using the actual (MS) bathymetry, in which the tsunami waves were persistent and repeatedly reflected and refracted among the shelves, but more reflected waves from the coast radiated to the open sea (Figure 22b-f). This is because the tsunami source was located in an area with sea depths over 500 m, and bathymetry data with sea depths over 500 m were replaced with a 500 m depth in this hypothetical situation.

Aside from the numerical experiment EXP1, a rather hypothetical situation (EXP2) was conducted to simulate tsunami wave propagation on a bathymetry with a flat sea bottom and a sea depth of 500 m. Figure 23 shows snapshots of simulated tsunami wave propagation using the manipulated (EXP2) bathymetry. An inspection of the tsunami wave transmission in the shallow area indicated that the reflected tsunami waves from the coast radiated homogeneously offshore, and the wave reflection and refraction could not be clearly seen. In addition, the tsunami waves propagated at a rather fast speed (i.e., in comparison 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 tsunami waves are trapped over shelves due to the wave directivity change associated with the configuration of coastal bathymetry, the question remains of how much wave energy can be trapped over the shelves in front of southern Taiwan during the passage of tsunamis. To quantitatively evaluate the wave energy trapped over the shelves, the trapped ratio was used to indicate the tsunami energy trapped in bathymetric situations, as calculated in 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 areas with sea depths under 500 m), and E_{Total} is the calculated total tsunami potential energy of the model domain at each time step. The tsunami potential energy was determined assuming that the energy flux of the tsunami wave progressed in a unit region of the free sea surface (Nosov et al., 2014) and was 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 gravitational acceleration (set as 9.81 m s⁻²), and η represents the surface integral of the ocean surface disturbance at each time step. The ratio of trapped tsunami energy was calculated from the snapshots of tsunami simulations using actual (MS) and manipulated (EXP1 and EXP2) bathymetry. Figure 24 shows the calculated trapped ratio from simulated tsunami propagation snapshots every 15 min using actual (MS) and manipulated (EXP1 and EXP2) bathymetry. Figure 24 shows the calculated trapped ratio from simulated tsunami propagation snapshots every 15 min using actual (MS) and manipulated (EXP1 and EXP2) bathymetry. Note that for calculating the trapped ratio from simulations using manipulated bathymetry (EXP1 and EXP2), the shelf region corresponding to the actual bathymetry (MS) was used (i.e., the shallow area illustrated by the solid and dashed black lines shown in Figures 22 and 23). According to equations (14) and (15), the simulations yielded a ratio of trapped tsunami energy of more than 50% when using manipulated bathymetry (MS) and manipulated bathymetry (EXP1) but a smaller trapped ratio of 20% when using manipulated bathymetry (EXP2). These results quantitatively provided another confirmation that the coastally trapped tsunami wave energy was related to the shape of the bathymetry.

6.3 Comparison of simulated tsunami waveforms

To understand any significant change in tsunami waveforms that can be recognized with and without wave trapping, tsunami waveforms simulated from actual (MS) and manipulated bathymetry (EXP1 and EXP2) were compared. Figure 25 shows the simulated tsunami waveforms at the 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 the stations were consistent with those simulated using actual bathymetry (MS) but produced slightly smaller later phase amplitudes. An inspection of the simulated waveforms using the manipulated bathymetry (EXP2) indicated an earlier arrival time of the first wave and smaller amplitudes of the later phase than those of the simulation results using actual (MS) bathymetry. These results indicated that the persistent high-energy waves along the south coast of Taiwan were associated with the mechanism of tsunami wave trapping.

6.4 Amplified and persistent high-energy waves along the coast

As described in the previous sections, the tsunami wave was trapped over the shelves and transmitted along the coast as edge waves during the 2006 tsunami. This section describes how tsunami waves behave as edge waves and to what extent such wave fluctuations influence 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 the main simulation (MS).

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

To understand the persisting high-energy waves along the south coast of Taiwan during the 2006 tsunami, the decreasing tendency of the tsunami wave energy along the 20 m sea depth contour was analyzed. The temporal tsunami wave energy was 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 along the 20 m sea depth contour (i.e., dashed black line in Figure 26a). Figure 27d shows the normalized tsunami energy at numerical wave gauges C and E. At the numerical wave gauge C, the normalized tsunami energy achieved its greatest value at approximately 40 min after the first earthquake occurred. 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 the first earthquake. At the numerical wave gauge E, the normalized tsunami energy achieved its greatest value approximately 30 min and 120 min after the first wave arrived. Beyond this channel, the energy commenced to decrease at a rather fast rate of energy loss of 80% at 150 min and 70% at 215 min after the occurrence time of the first earthquake. Accordingly, the tsunami decay process in this region was expected to last for more than 300 min. These results indicated 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.

Table 1. Calculation conditions for the numerical tsunami simulation.

	Calculation condition for the numerical tsunami simulation				
Governing equation	Two-dimensional nonlinear shallow water equations (TUNAMI-N2 model)				
Numerical integration method	rod Leap-frog finite difference method				
Initial condition	Initial water level calculated form fault parameters using the theory of Okada, 1985				
initial condition	considering the contribution of horizontal coseismic displacement				
Coordination system	Cartesian coordinate system				
Boundary condition	Radiation boundary condition				
Stability criterion	Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy (CFL) condition				
Time interval	0.1 s				
Mesh size	450 m				
Mesh number (x, y)	(538, 631)				

		Earthquake 1		Earthq	uake 2
	_	NP1	NP2	NP1	NP2
	Long (° E)	12	0.52	120).4
	Lat (° N)	21.81		22.02	
COMT	Strike (deg)	165	329	151	61
GCM1	Dip (deg)	30	61	48	90
	Rake (deg)	-76	-98	0	138
	Depth (km)	2	20	3.	3
	Long (° E)	12	0.55	120	.49
	Lat (° N)	21.8		21.97	
LISCS	Strike (deg)	171	319	151	61
USGS	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) Subfault locations of the first earthquake $(M_w 7.0)$ using NP2 of USGS's moment tensor solution. (b) Subfault locations of the second earthquake $(M_w 6.9)$ using NP1 of USGS's moment tensor solution.

	Sub		Lat	Length	Width	Depth	Stailes (0)	$D_{in}^{in}(0)$	Dalta (9)
	fault	(° E)	(° N)	(km)	(km)	(km)	Suike ()	Dip()	Kake ()
	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
Fourth assolve 1	4	120.429	21.792	10	10	15.3	319	69	-102
Eartiiquake I	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
Earthquake 2	3	120.557	21.902	10	10	29.1	151	48	0
	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 the subfaults for the two earthquakes of the 2006 earthquake 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 (m)	1.11	0.78

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

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

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



Figure 5. (a) Map of subfault boundaries with different asperity locations for the first earthquake (M_w 7.0). (b) Coseismic crustal vertical displacement calculated using the fault

parameters of the subfaults. The beachball denotes the focal mechanisms of USGS's NP2 nodal planes for the first earthquake. The subfaults in red represent large slip areas, and the subfaults in yellow represent background slip areas. The large slip area was located only at the shallow part of the 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 as green triangles.



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

fault parameters of the subfaults. The beachball denotes the focal mechanisms of USGS's NP2 nodal planes for the first earthquake. The subfaults in red represent large slip areas, and the subfaults in yellow represent background slip areas. The large slip area was located only at the shallow part of the 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 as green triangles.



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



Figure 8. Maps of the manipulated bathymetry of the 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	Sea depths from GEBCO data	Sea depths larger than 500 m were replaced with 500 m	Sea depths of entire domain were replaced with 500 m		
		depths	depths.		

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



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

Saamania	Moment tensor	Nodal	Misfit of simulated	
Scenario	solution	Earthquake 1	Earthquake 2	tsunami waveforms
S1		NP1	NP1	0.591
S2	COMT	NP1	NP2	0.632
S3	GCM1	NP2	NP1	0.530
S4		NP2	NP2	0.661
S5		NP1	NP1	0.529
S6	LISCS	NP1	NP2	0.604
S 7	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 the 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 the Dongkung and Houbihu stations using 9 cases of multiple fault models (solid blue lines) and a single fault model of S7 (solid red lines). The simulated tsunami waveforms using the multiple fault model (LS2) are shown as dashed blue lines. The white circles represent the observational 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 in the simulated maximum tsunami height using two sources of bathymetry data. The black circles indicate the locations of the tide gauge stations. The bathymetry contour is 500 m based on the GEBCO or ETOPO1 bathymetric data.



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

Station —	Sea de	Sea depth (m)		Simulated wave peak (m)		0/ Var
	GEBCO	ETOPO1	GEBCO	ETOPO1	v ul peak	70V di peak
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 the locations of the simulated tsunami waveforms and misfit of model

 results using different open-source bathymetry data at three tide gauge stations.



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 as green triangles. The bathymetry contour at a depth of 500 m is shown as a solid gray line.



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



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



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



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



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