

# Real-time Impact-based Tsunami Forecast Facility

## Contribution to EW4ALL & Tsunami Ready

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# The 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake Tsunami

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Inundation of 561 km<sup>2</sup> , highest run-up of 40 m

18,549 fatalities (3 % in the inundation zone)

120,000 buildings destroyed

Economic loss 25 trillion JPY, ¼ of annual budget (250 billion \$)

# TsunamiCast

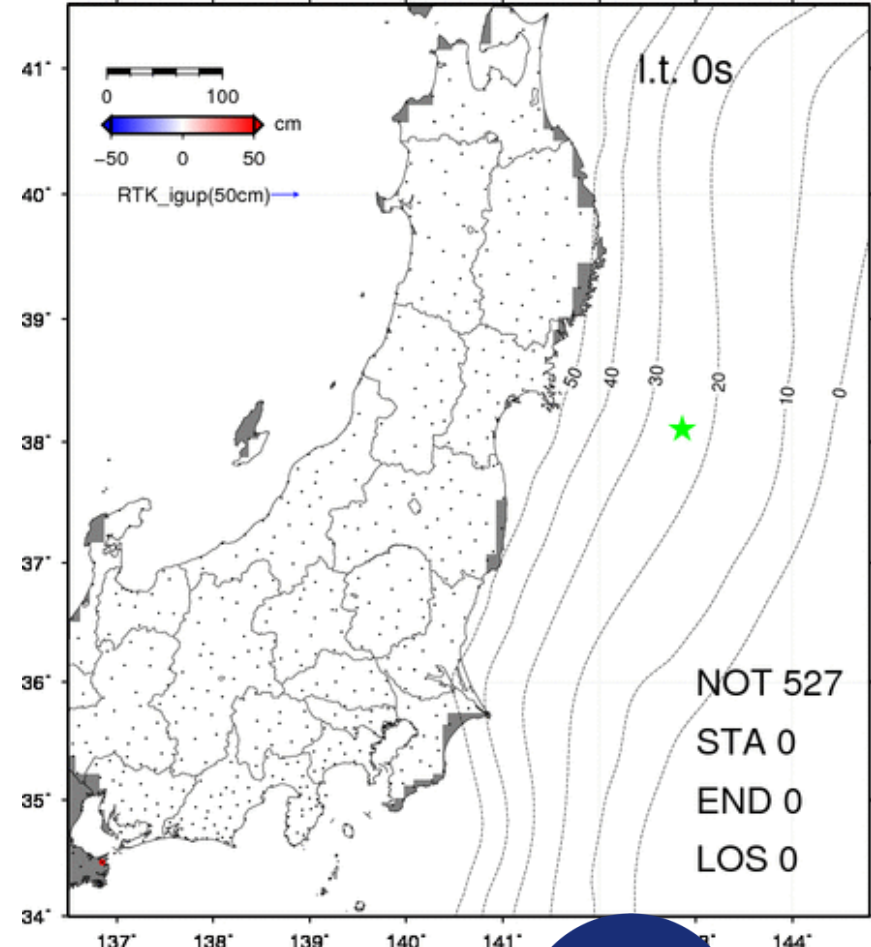
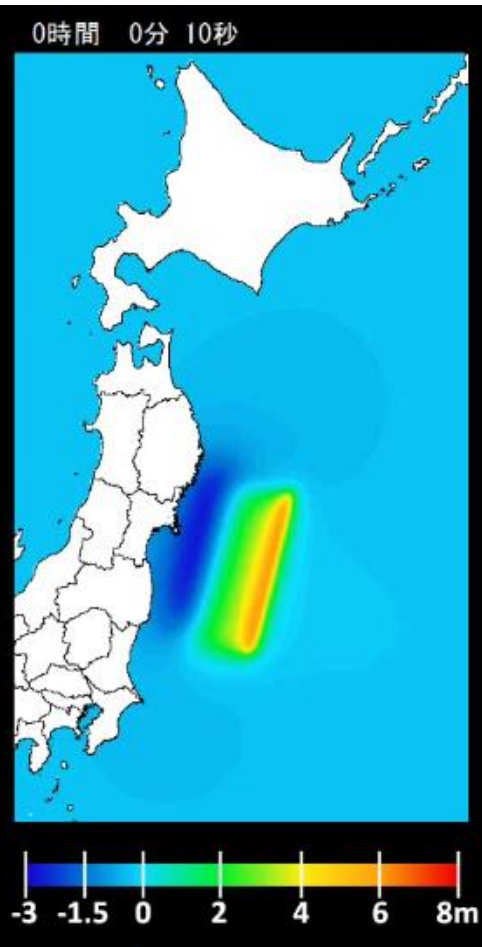
## Real-time Impact-based Tsunami Forecast

- Tohoku University and partners developed a unique **end-to-end impact-based tsunami forecast system** (Generation-Inundation-Damage) with **fully operational capability using supercomputer**.
- **RTi-cast, (est. in 2018)** provides real-time tsunami inundation and damage forecast **products** (**TsunamiCast**) for **responses of government organizations and commercial clients**; insurance and transportation, etc.
- **RTi-cast** was approved by JMA in March 2024, as a unique private-based impact-based tsunami forecast provider to support disaster response.





# Operational GNSS-based Tsunami Inundation Forecast TsunamiCast™ by RTi-cast, Inc.

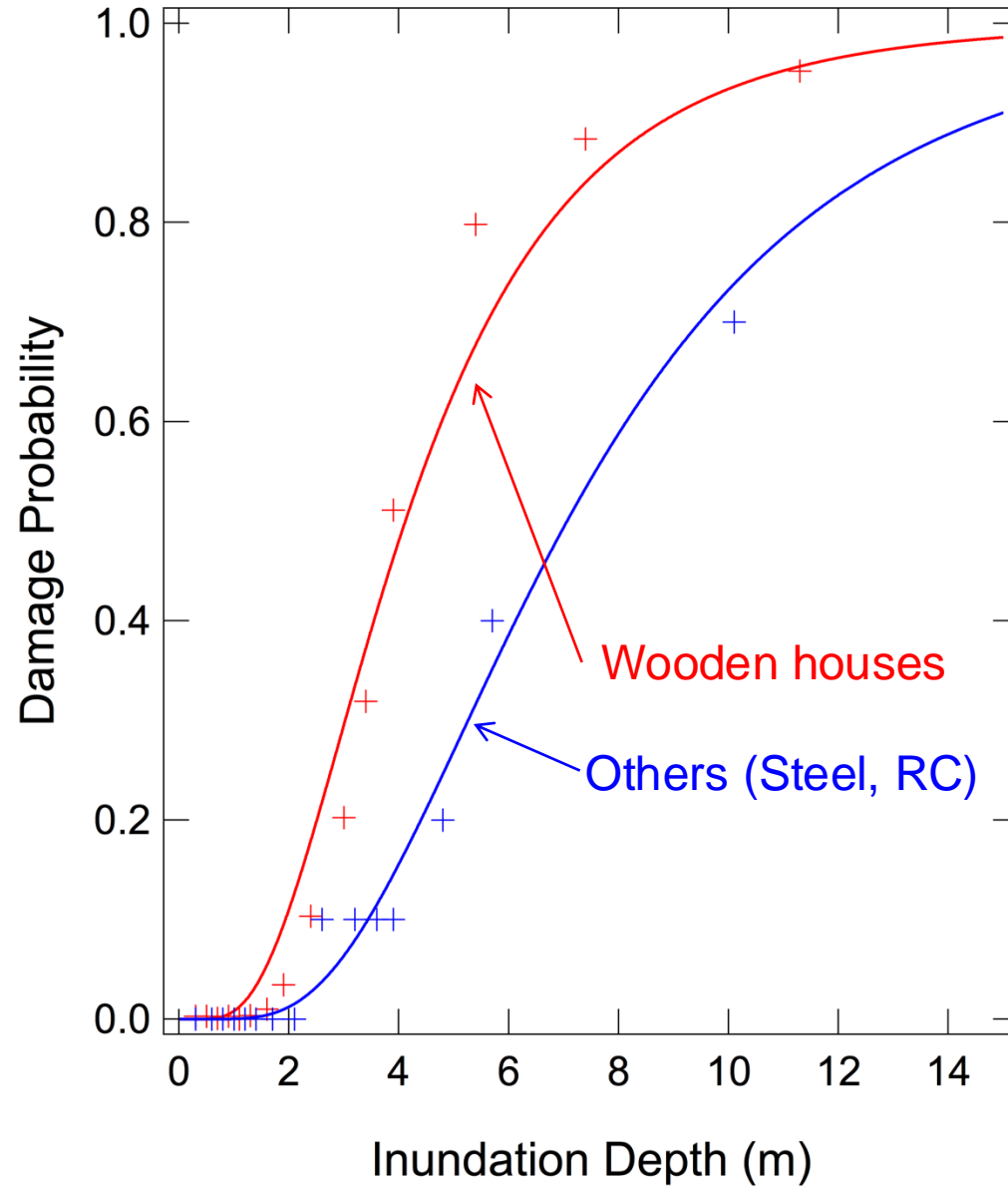


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# Tsunami Fragility Curves



Koshimura et al. (2014)



# Value of TsunamiCast

## Real-time Tsunami Inundation and Damage Forecast

### Supporting Resilience – Reduce Loss and Recover Quickly



~minutes



~hours



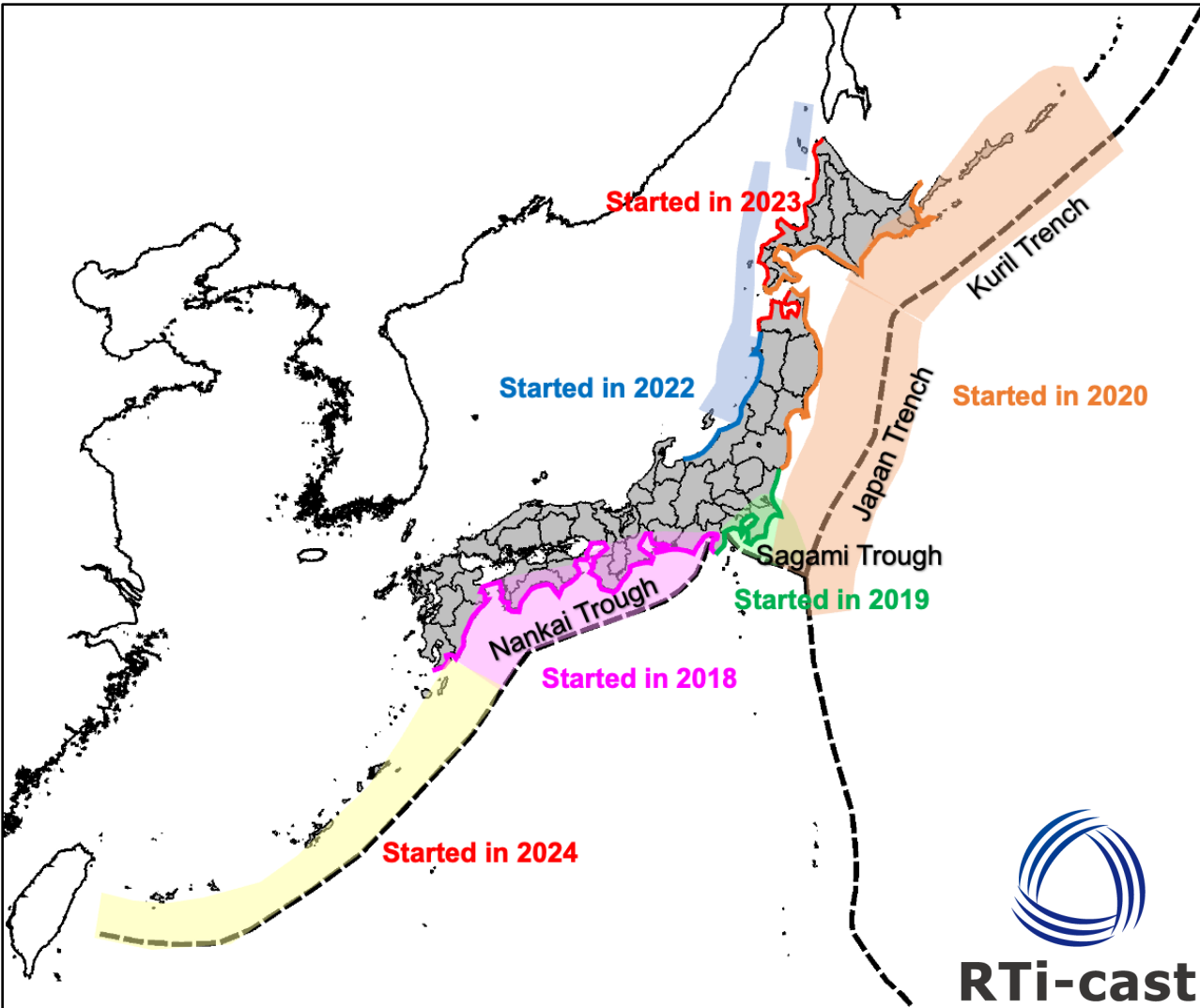
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- ❖ How **extensive** does the tsunami penetrate? (Where is the safe place?)
- ❖ How **many** people are exposed?
- ❖ How **many** structures/infrastructures are damaged?
- ❖ How **extensive** disaster relief activities should be deployed?
- ❖ How **much** losses?



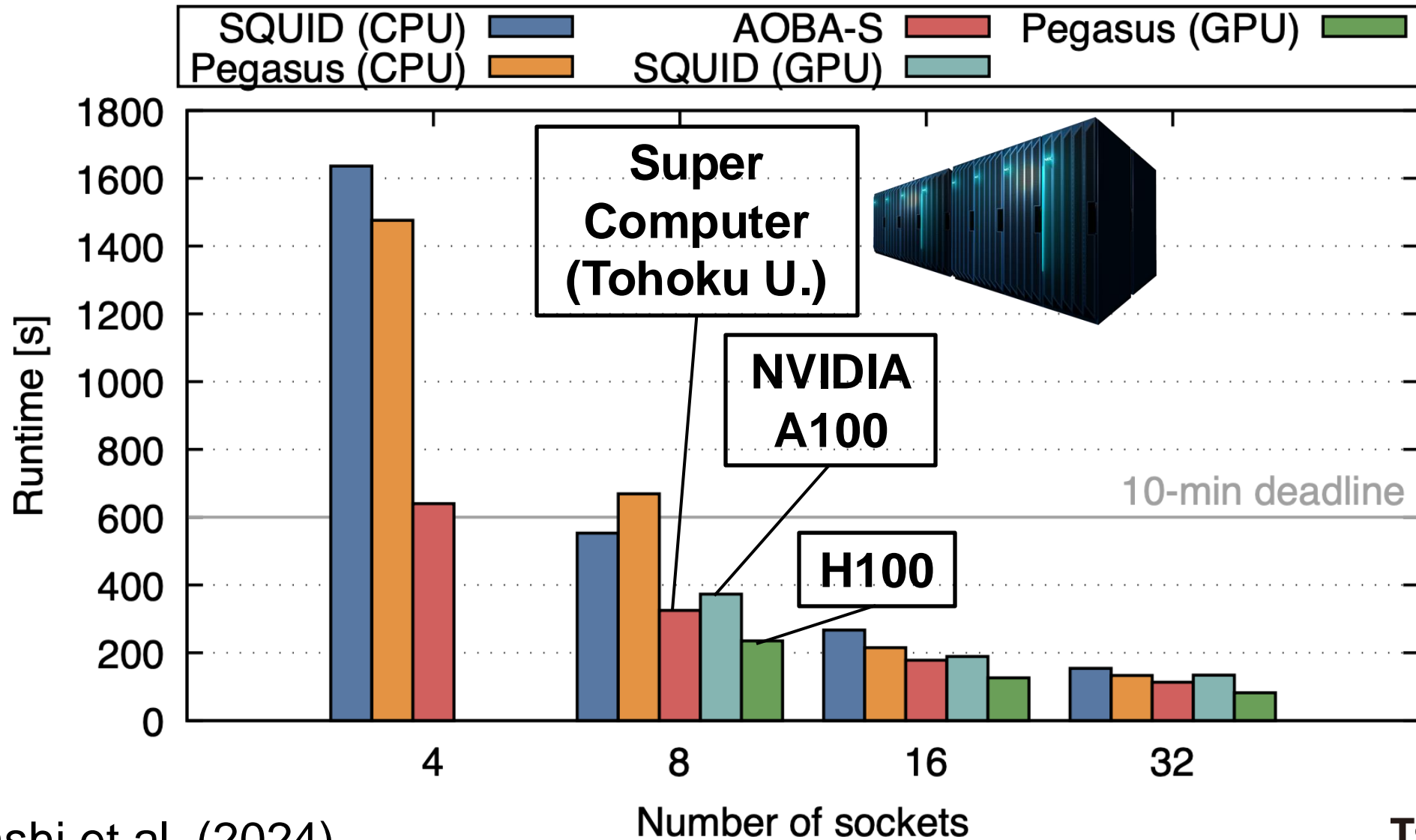


# Nation-wide Impact-based Tsunami Forecast System for Cabinet Office of Japan and Prefectural Government



# Performance of TsunamiCast for Diverse Users

## Time to Complete 6-hour Forecast with 10m resolution





# TsunamiCast Products



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到達時間

浸水開始時間

水位時系列

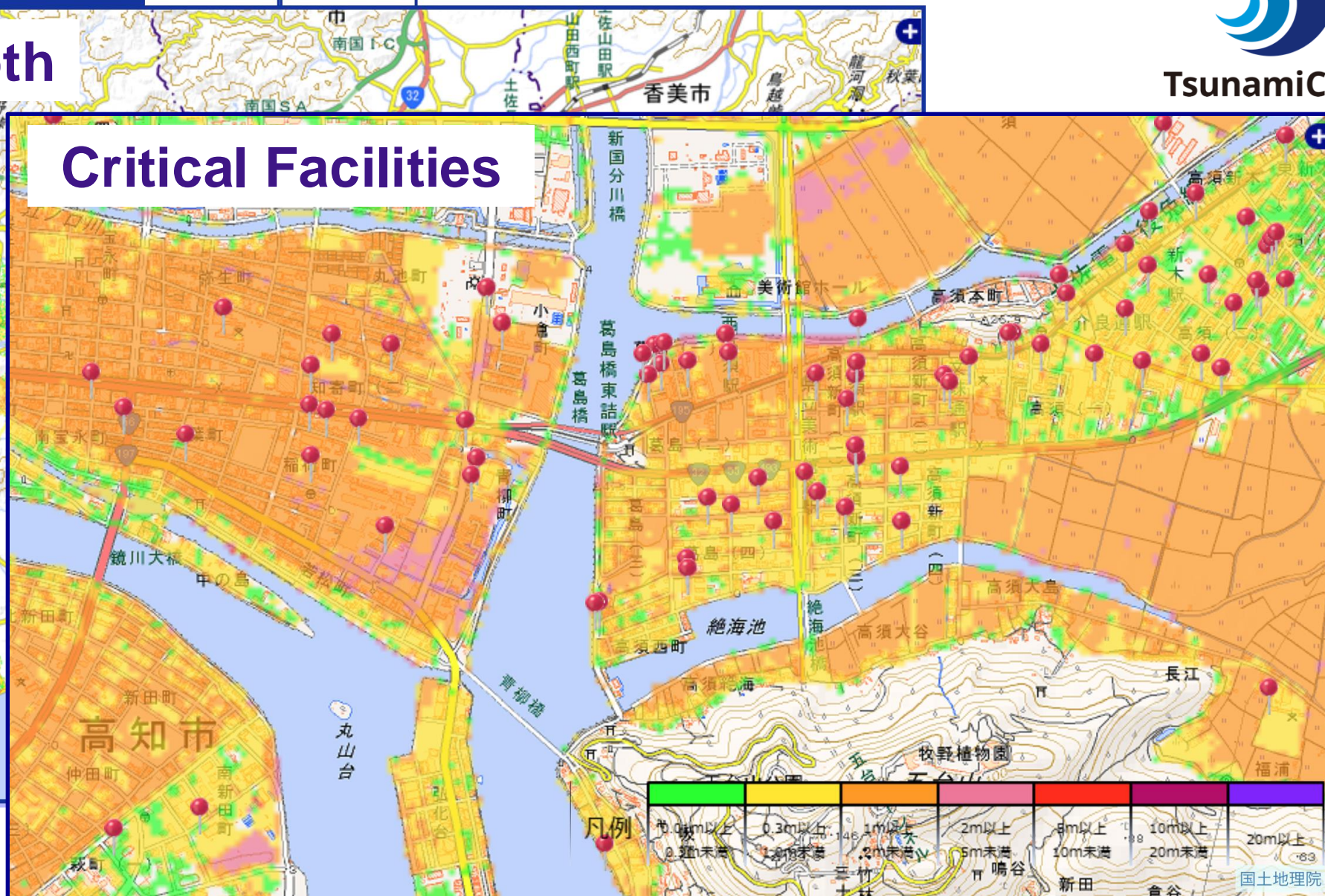
最大浸水深

最大水位

被害推定

## Inundation Depth

## Critical Facilities

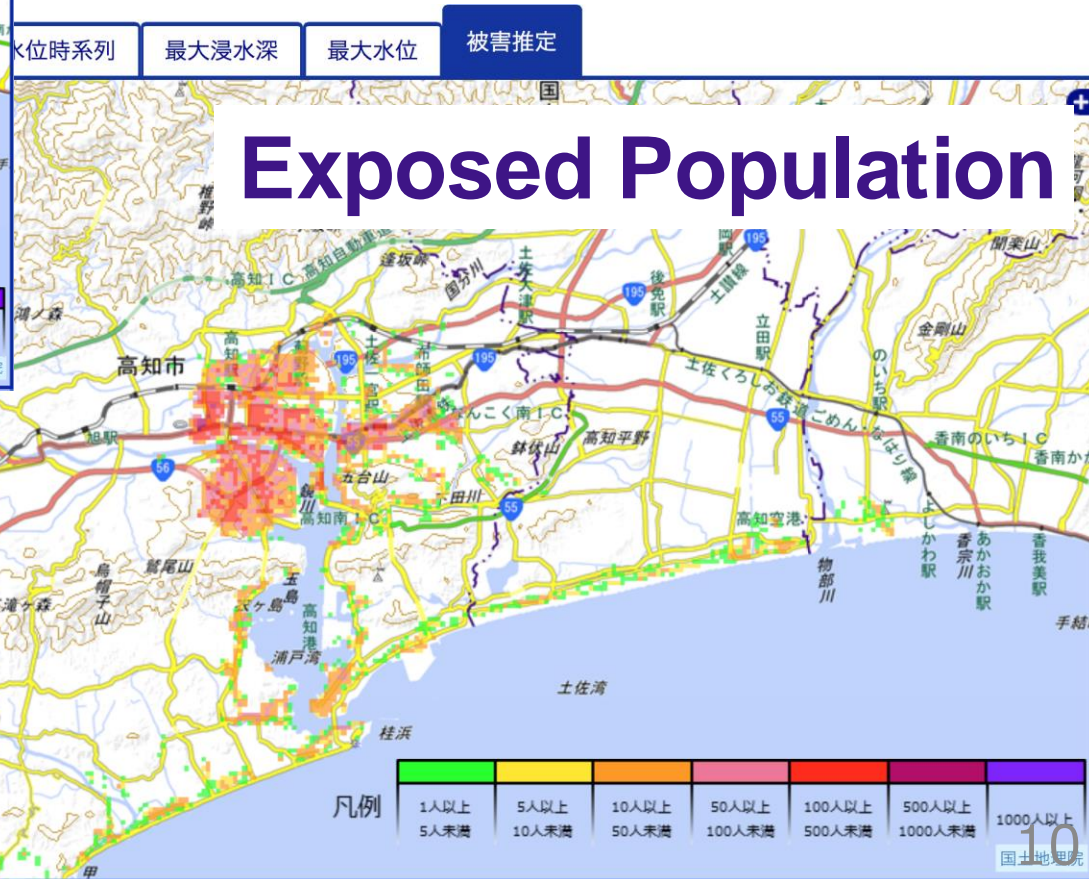




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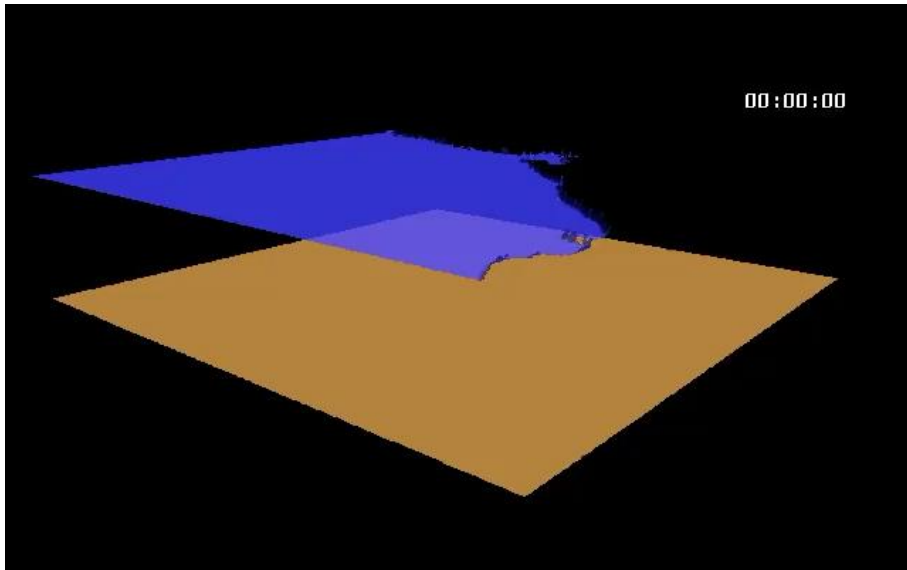
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# Towards Global Real-time Impact-based Tsunami Forecast Facility

Rapid determination of tsunami source model



- L1 Rectangular Fault w. Epicenter & Mw
- L2 CMT solutions (e.g. GCMT)
- L3 GNSS-based solutions (e.g. GFAST)
- L4 Offshore Data Assimilation (e.g. SMART cable)

Urgent computing capability (HPCI)



Generating map products



ArcGIS Online



# New Partnership

## Supporting Message from AWS

**Mr. Ushio Usami**

**Country leader for the Amazon Web Services (AWS) worldwide public sector in Japan.**



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# What We Propose ?

## Real-time Impact-based Tsunami Forecast Facility

To promote cooperation with **private sector to develop new products and services** to help **accelerate Tsunami Ready**.

**”Endorse private sectors to accelerate the achievements of EW4ALL”, says Prof. Dwikorita Karnawati (Head of BMKG)**

### Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 - 2030

1. Understanding disaster risk
2. Strengthening disaster risk governance
- 3. Investing in disaster risk reduction for resilience**
4. Enhancing disaster preparedness for effective response



# Towards Global Partnership

## Potential Roles and User Definition

| <b>Global partners' role</b>   | <b>National partners' role</b>   | <b>Users</b>  |
|--|--|---|
| <p>System Plan &amp; Design<br/>           System Development<br/>           Computational Environment<br/>           Mapping Environment<br/>           Tsunami Source Modeling<br/>           Verification<br/>           Testing<br/>           Operation</p> | <p>Liaison with users<br/>           Merged Bathy/Topo Data<br/>           Exposure Data<br/>           Tsunami Source Modeling<br/>           Fragility Models<br/>           Tsunami Observation<br/>           Verification<br/>           Testing<br/>           Operation</p> | <p>Government organizations<br/>           Insurance industries<br/>           Critical facilities<br/>           Energy industries<br/>           Logistics<br/>           Transportation<br/>           Supply chains</p> |

# Product Levels

## Real-time Forecast

| <b>Level</b> | <b>Product Description</b>  |
|--------------|---|
| L 0          | Simple tsunami propagation forecast : Arrival time, Maximum tsunami height.   |
| L 1          | Inundation forecast based on inundation modeling using finer merged bathymetry/topography grids.  |
| L 2          | Inundation and damage forecast based on inundation modeling with fragility models and exposure data using finer merged bathymetry/topography grids. |

# Product Levels

## Non-real-time Forecast

| <b>Level</b> | <b>Product Description</b>  |
|--------------|---|
| L 1          | Inundation forecast based on inundation modeling using finer merged bathymetry/topography grids with one maximum source scenario. (Tsunami Hazard Map, Evacuation Map)              |
| L 2          | Inundation and damage forecast based on inundation modeling and fragility models using finer merged bathymetry/topography grids with one maximum source scenario. (Loss estimation) |
| L 3          | Probabilistic inundation and Loss estimation with fake quakes (or equivalent ensemble rupture scenarios).   |



**Thank you for your kind attention**

**Terima kasih**



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# TsunamiCast Products



## Standard Forecast Products

- Inundation depth
- Building Damage
- Exposed Population

## Policy Design & Practice

- Evacuation Route
- Search & Rescue Operations
- Medical Services
- Road Network Recovery Plans
- Relief Supplies Estimates



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# Standard Tsunami Warning Messages

## National Weather Service



## JMA

|                              | Estimated maximum tsunami height          |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|
|                              | Numerical announcement                    | Expression in the case of the massive earthquake |
| <b>Major Tsunami Warning</b> | $10 \text{ m} < h$                        | Huge   |
|                              | $5 \text{ m} < h \leq 10 \text{ m}$       |  |
|                              | $3 \text{ m} < h \leq 5 \text{ m}$        |  |
| <b>Tsunami Warning</b>       | $1 \text{ m} < h \leq 3 \text{ m}$        | High   |
| <b>Tsunami Advisory</b>      | $0.2 \text{ m} \leq h \leq 1.0 \text{ m}$ | —  |