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Preliminary studies on tsunami
effects on buildings



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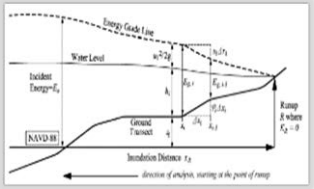
Inundation depth, h , along the coastline

- Constant
- Random
- From refined simulations



1. Knowledge of buildings features in coastal areas

- masonry/reinforced concrete
- number of storeys
- area



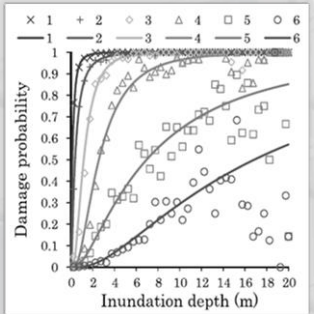
LARGE SCALE VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS

2. Simulation of an inundation scenario

- Inundation depth trend:
- constant
 - linear
 - Energy Grade Line [EGL]

3. Definition of buildings fragility functions

- empirical
- analytical



4. Damage prediction

- Reconstruction costs
- Human losses

OUTPUT

Damage scenario for a tsunami event



EMPIRICAL FRAGILITY FUNCTIONS

Based on post-tsunami surveys

- *“The 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami”*

Sumatra (Indonesia)

Victims: 250 000

- *“The 2009 South Pacific tsunami”*

Samoa

Victims : 200

- *“The 2011 Great East Japan tsunami”*

Tohoku (Japan)

Victims : 16 000

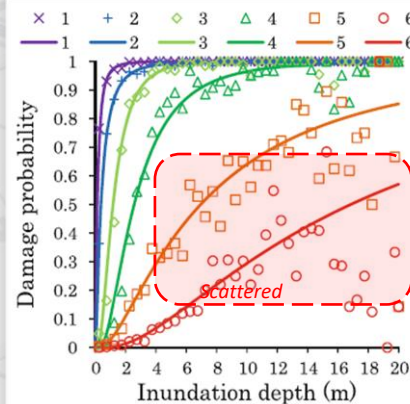


Sumatra - 2004

Tohoku- 2011

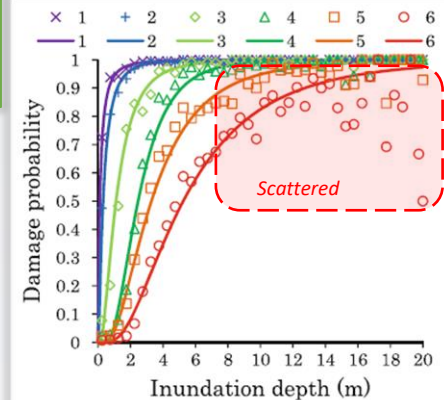
The 2011 Great East Japan tsunami

Fragility functions strictly related to local building typologies

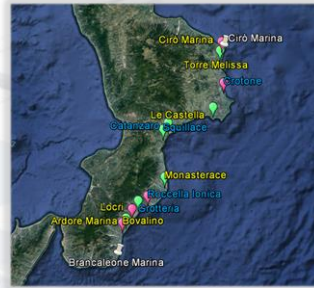


Masonry buildings

Reinforced concrete buildings



KNOWLEDGE OF BUILDINGS IN COASTAL AREA

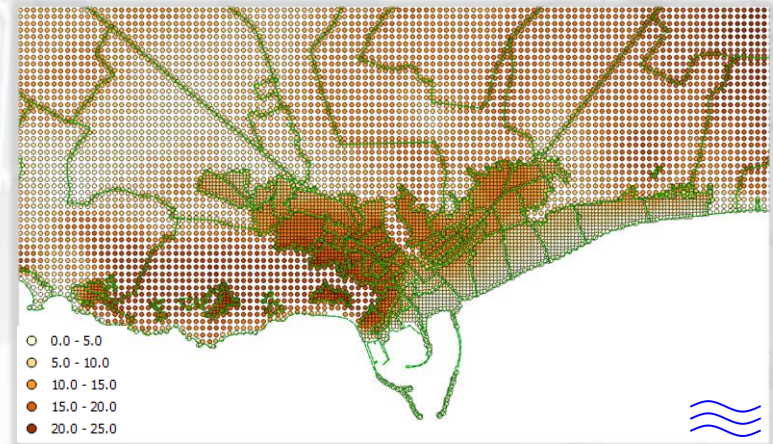


ISTAT data

In-situ surveys

GIS platform

- Definition of a grid with spacing 50m in urban areas and 100m in rural areas
- Geolocalizations of grid centres
- Altitude assigned at grid centres



$h = 25 \text{ m}$ [TSUMAPS]
 $L = 5 \text{ km}$ [fascia inondata]

Italy $\approx 1\,400\,000$ grid centres

DTM 20m
[GEOPORTALE]

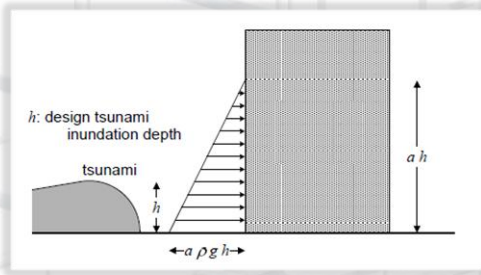
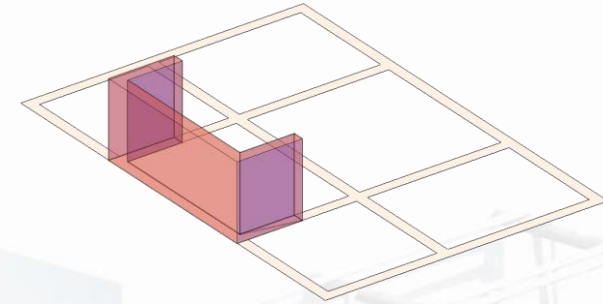
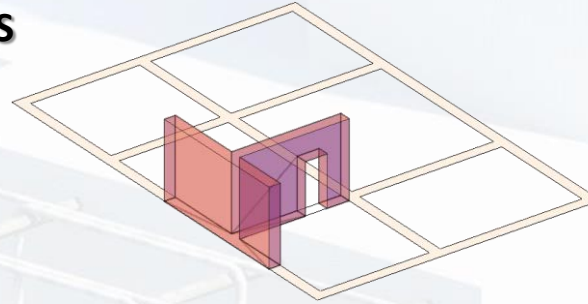
ANALYTICAL FRAGILITY FUNCTIONS

Based on structural models and numerical analysis

MASONRY BUILDINGS

In-plane mechanism

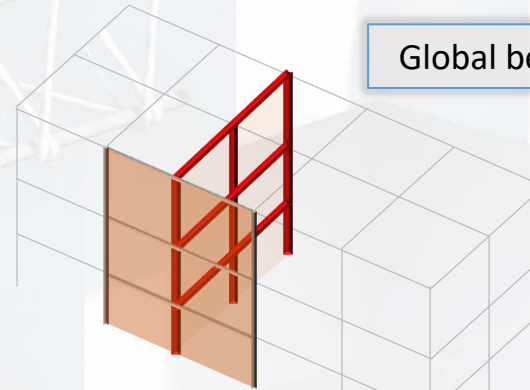
Out-of-plane mechanism



**Structural Design
Method of Buildings for
Tsunami Resistance -
SDMBTR (Japan)**

REINFORCED CONCRETE BUILDINGS

Global behavior



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Definition of vulnerability classes for Italian buildings

Number of storey:

- Low-rise ($n < 3$)
- Medium rise ($n \geq 3$)

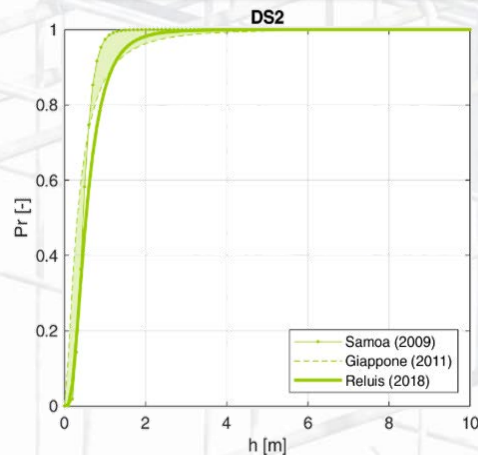
Design code:

- Gravity load
- Seismic load

Age of construction:

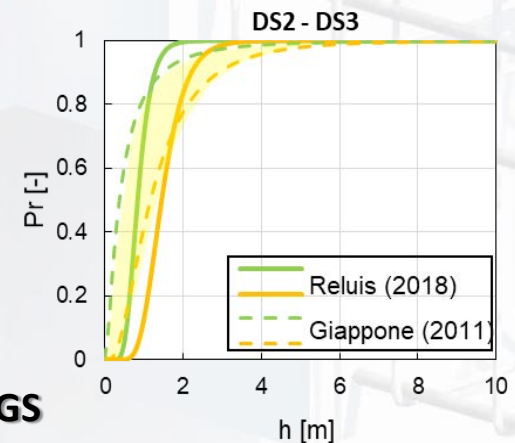
- Pre 1919 (*masonry only*)
- Pre 1980
- Post 1980

Comparison with empirical fragility curves



Masonry

Reinforced
Concrete



SEISMIC POST 1980 BUILDINGS

Inundation map for Ispica (RG)

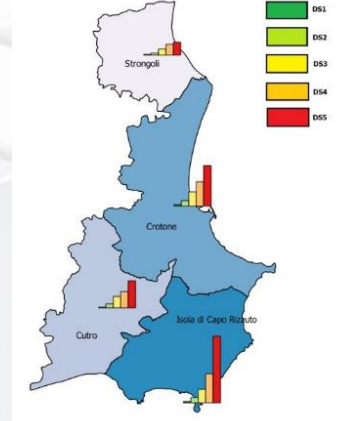
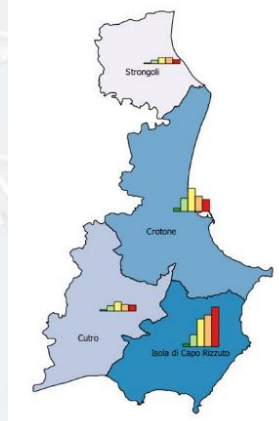
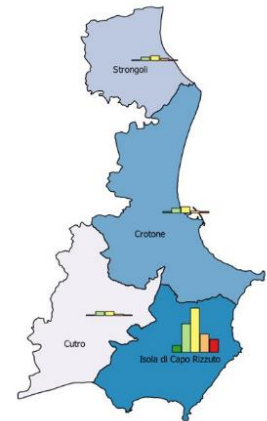


Inundation depth at coastline: 2m

5m

10m

Damaged buildings at urban level



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CONCLUSIVE REMARKS

- **A tool for the large scale analysis of tsunami vulnerability was developed for Italian coastal areas;**
- **New refined methods for assessing the structural vulnerability of masonry and reinforced concrete structures under tsunami loading were proposed;**
- **A simplified model for the tsunami loading was adopted, neglecting the effects of load pattern and of other components of tsunami loading (debris impact, buoyancy forces, etc.). These components of tsunami loading will be investigated in future research;**
- **Preliminar analytical fragility functions were derived for predicting damage scenarios and a quite good match was found with empirical ones, but further research is needed especially for high damage levels.**

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