Generation of the 2004 Sumatra-Andaman Tsunami

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2004 Sumatra-Andaman earthquake



2004 great Sumatra-Andaman earthquake



Satellite altimetry





deformation survey results Andaman Islands: most of the coasts: uplift near Port Blair: subsidence Nicobar Islands: subsidence (Malik and Murty, 2005)

Banda Ache 0.2-0.6m subsidence West coast ~ 1m subsidence

Simeulue Island

Northern coast about 1.5m uplift Southern coast small subsidence or no change

(Kaistrenko et al., 2005)



The minimum uplift or subsidences are estimated from the satellite images of coral heads in the sea.

Meltzner, et al., JGR, 2006

Tide gauge Data at Port Blair



Slip distribution of the 2004 Sumatra earthquake estimated from the tsunami



subfault	slip	initial rupture time
	(m)	(min)
1	20.4	0
2	0.0	0
3	22.0	2
4	29.3	3
5	16.4	4
6	2.6	4
7	13.4	4
8	12.7	4
9	0.0	5
10	15.4	6
11	0.0	6
12	12.2	7
13	9.5	7
14	2.8	8
15	5.6	9
16	0.8	10

total seismic moment : $8.2 \times 10^{22} \text{ Nm}$ (Mw 9.2)

Comparison of observed and computed tsunami waveforms at tide gauges





Comparison of observed tsunami obtained from the satellite altimetry and computed tsunamis.



Vertical displacement field



Analysis of satellite images (Tobita et al., 2005)



Slip distribution of the 2004 Sumatra earthquake estimated from the tsunami

Average rupture velocity of 1.9 km/sec.

total seismic moment 8.2 x 10²² Nm (Mw 9.2) Slip distributions of the 2004 and 2005 Sumatra-Andaman earthquake estimated from seismic waveform analyses (Ammon et al., 2005)





Method of the inversion

Slip function along the profile $S(z) = A \exp \left[-(z - m_z)^2 / \sigma_z\right]$ A: maximum slip m_z: depth of the maximum slip σ_z : width of the slip pattern

78 parameters for 26 profiles $_{\circ}$

Total seismic moment 8.8 x 10²²Nm (Mw9.2)

Subarya, et al., Nature, 2006



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One mechanism to make large tsunamis



Comparison of seismic intensity and tsunami heights for two earthquakes





Fault parameters of the 1896 Sanriku Tsunami earthquake



Three models for additional uplifts caused by sediments with horizontal movement of the backstop

The survey of the seismic reflection and Seabeam mapping near the source region of the 1896 Sanriku tsunami earthquake

Tanioka and Seno, GRL(2001)

1) Elastic deformation due to faulting



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