



# Simulation-based procedure for Class Tsunami Fragility Assessment: Using data, data products, software and services within EPOS

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# A Forward Probabilistic Framework (PTRA)

Hazard

Vulnerability

Risk

$$\lambda(IM > im)$$

**IM** (Intensity Measure)

e.g., flow depth, momentum flux

$$P_{DS|IM}(DS_i | im)$$

Fragility Function

**DM** Damage Measure  
e.g., damage states

$$G_{DV|DS}(dv | DS)$$

Consequence Function

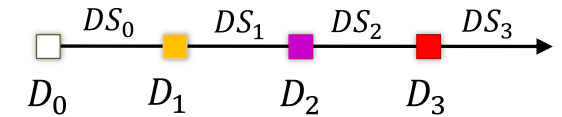
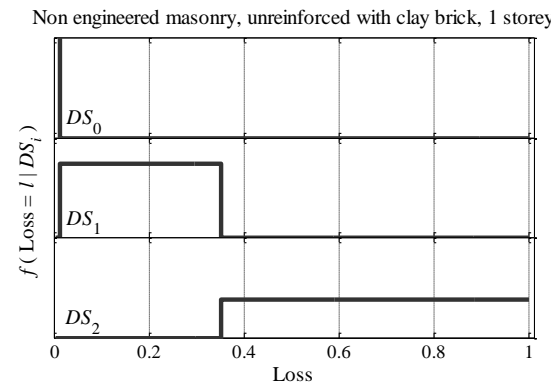
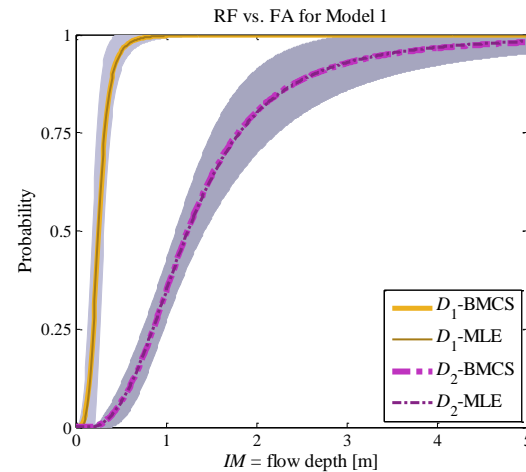
**DV** Decision Variable  
e.g., fatalities, loss

$$\lambda(DV > dv)$$

**Risk Metrics**

e.g., AAL, LEC

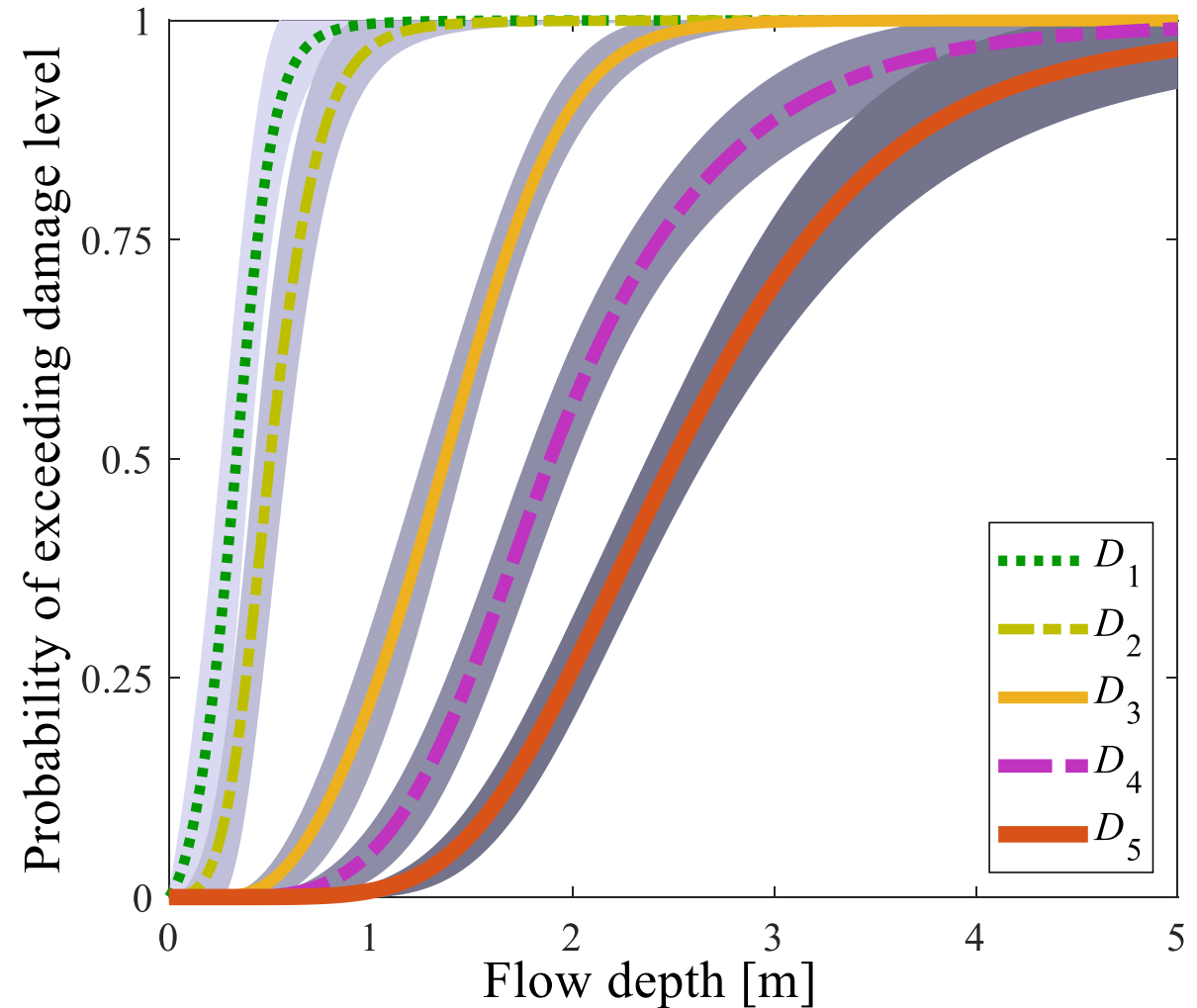
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## The definition of the fragility

In the context of risk assessment at regional level, the fragility curve is defined as the probability of exceeding a specific damage level as a function of the intensity measure.

$$P(D > D_i | IM = im)$$



# There are some implicit assumptions in the definition of fragility

It is meaningful for a **single system**. It is assumed that with each new event of interest, the system will be “renewed” back to its intact state ( $D_0$ ).

## Why Class Fragility?

Short of detailed building-to-building level information, class fragilities are useful for loss analysis at the regional (portfolio) level.

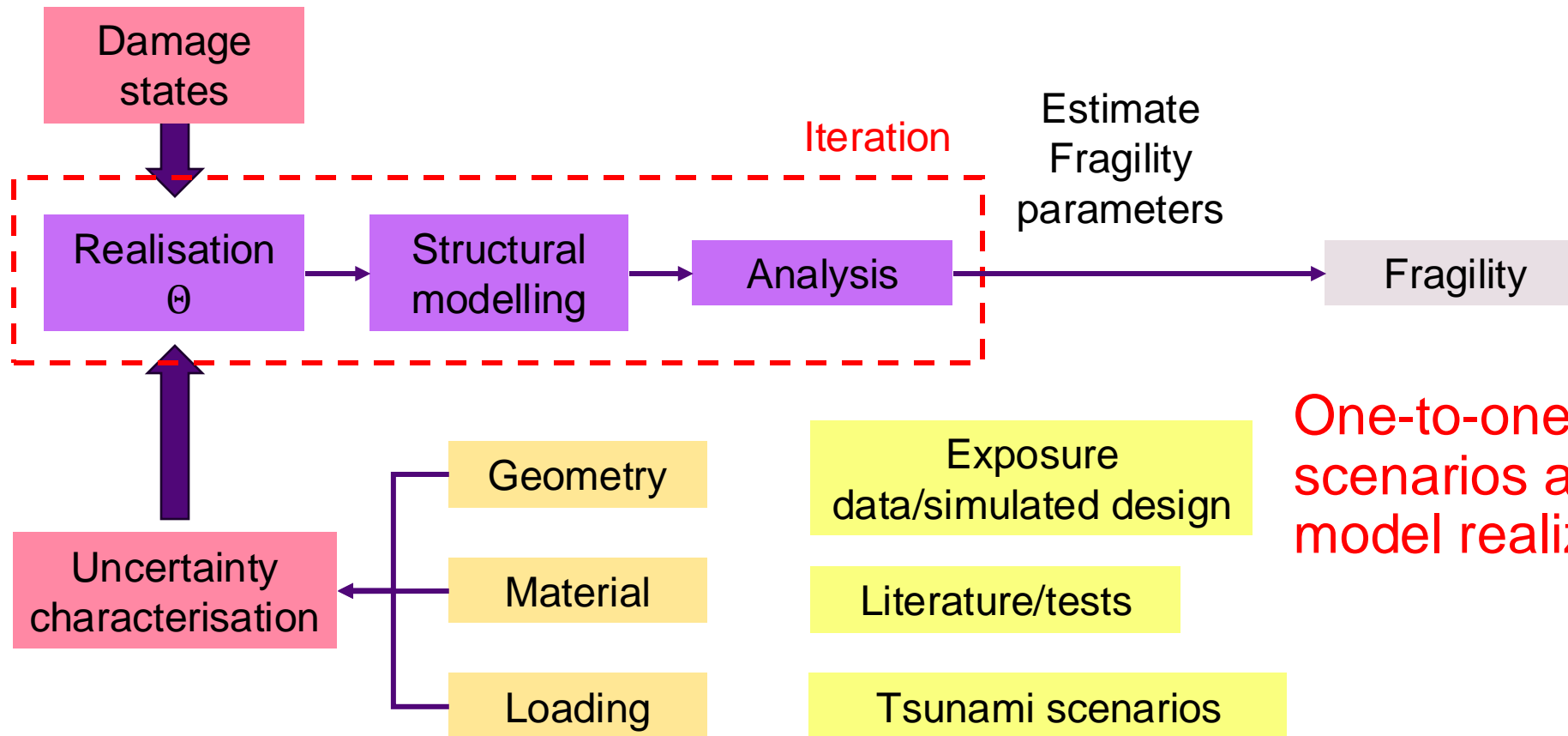
# The concept of fragility curve for a class

The fragility curve for a class can be derived by assuming that the portfolio of buildings in a class is replaced by an “average” representative building.

The dispersion in the class fragility curve, in theory, should consider the:

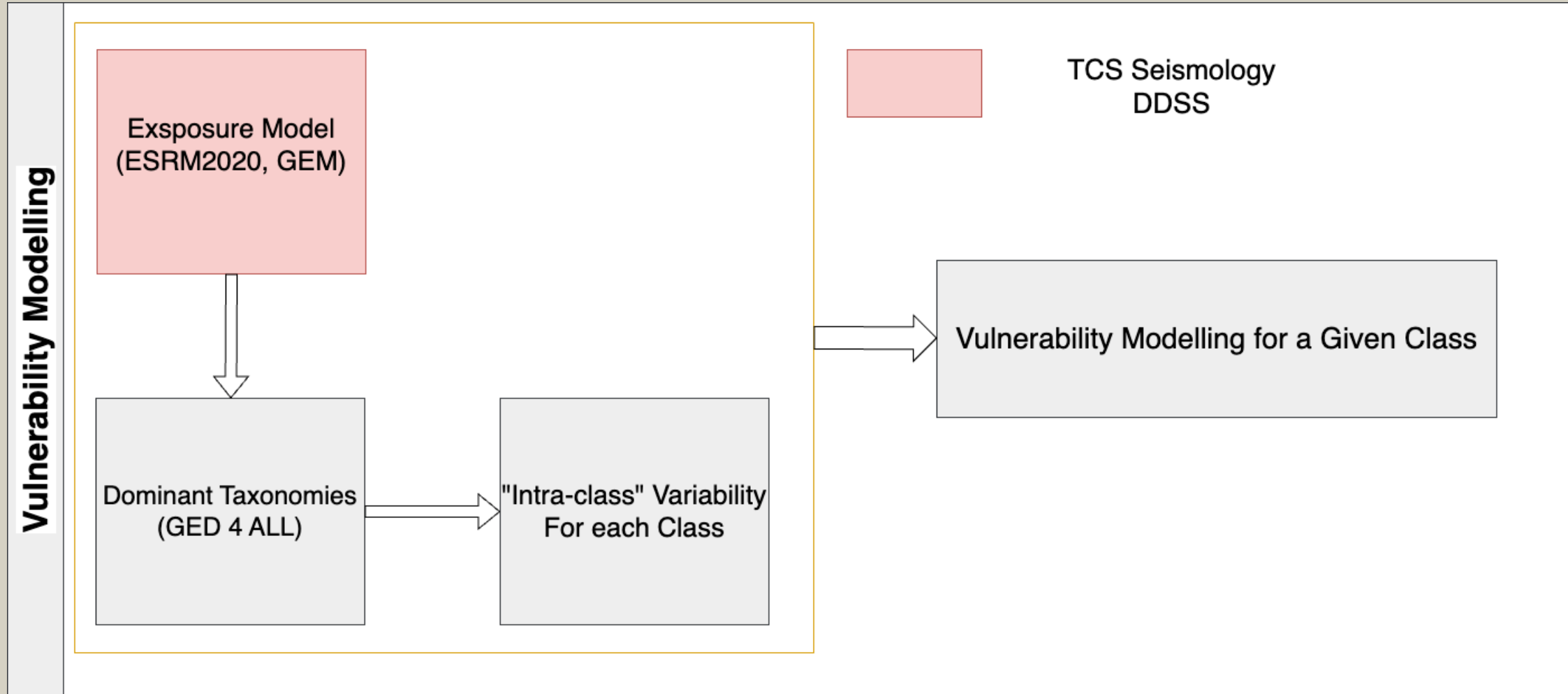
- (1) Variability in the “events” (e.g., tsunamis, earthquakes) given the intensity measure;
- (2) The building-to-building variability within the class;

# Class Fragility Analysis using Small-sample MC Simulations



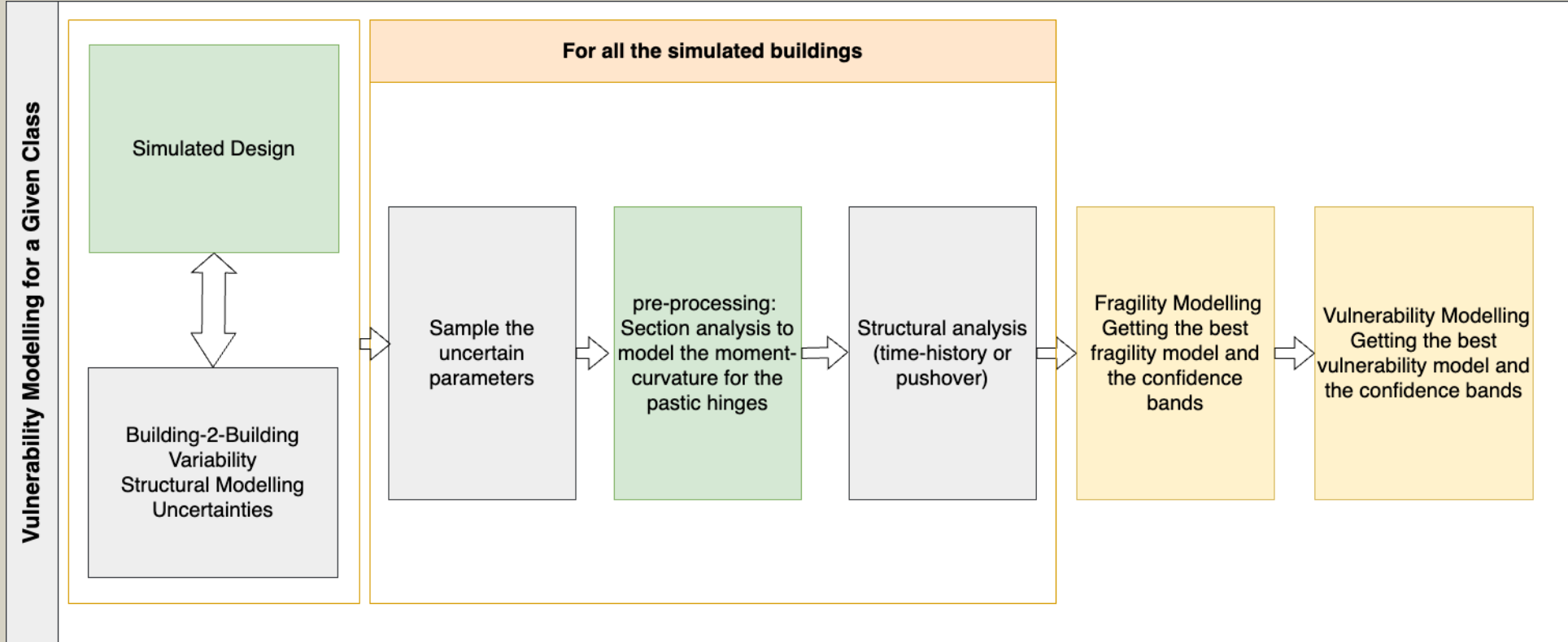
Simulations are used to estimate the fragility parameters and not the of extremes, therefore, even a small-sample (in the order of 50-100) Monte Carlo Simulation could work.

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# Example: Archetype Building

## Taxonomy: CR\_LFINF-CDL-0\_H2

Building type selected based on the exposure model of Catania, Italy.

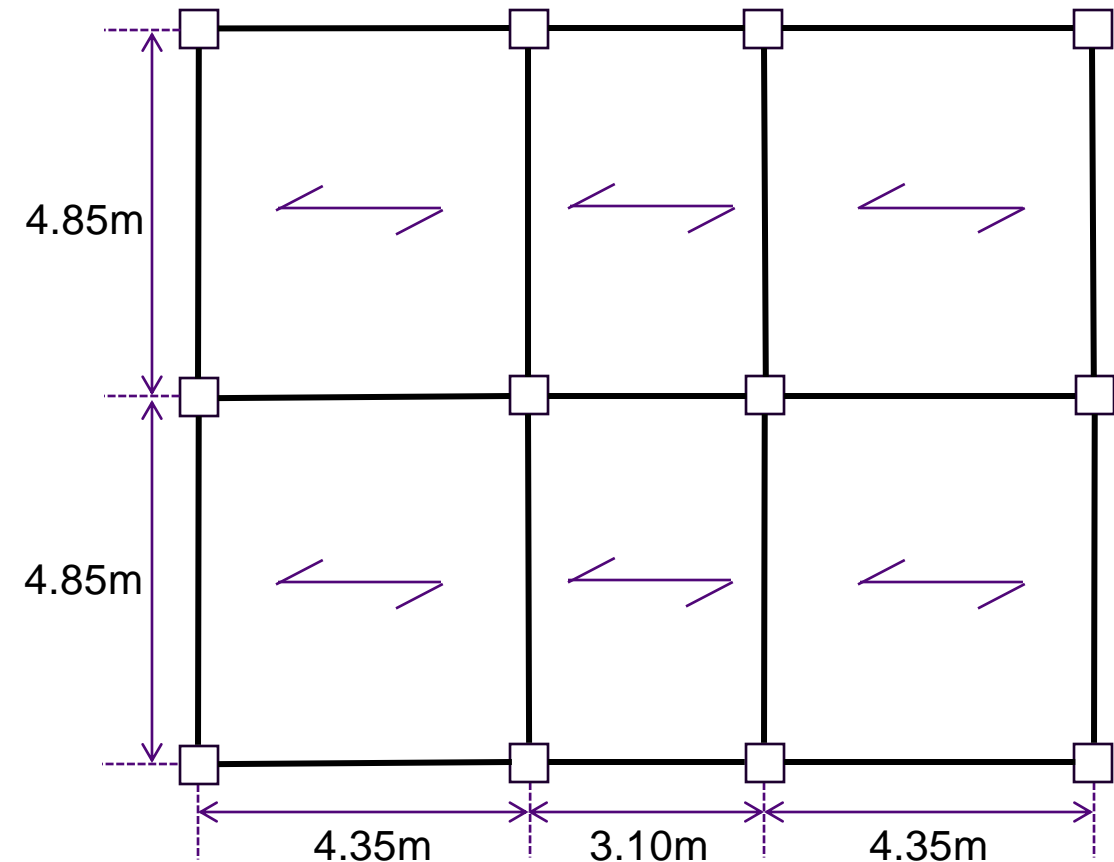
Designed by the **simulated design** package:

- Geometry
- Details of reinforcement
- One-way slab
- High construction quality
- Concrete strength  $f_{ck} = 14$  MPa
- Steel yield strength  $f_{syk} = 400$  MPa

Storey Height:

Ground floor = 2.9 m

Upper floor = 2.65 m



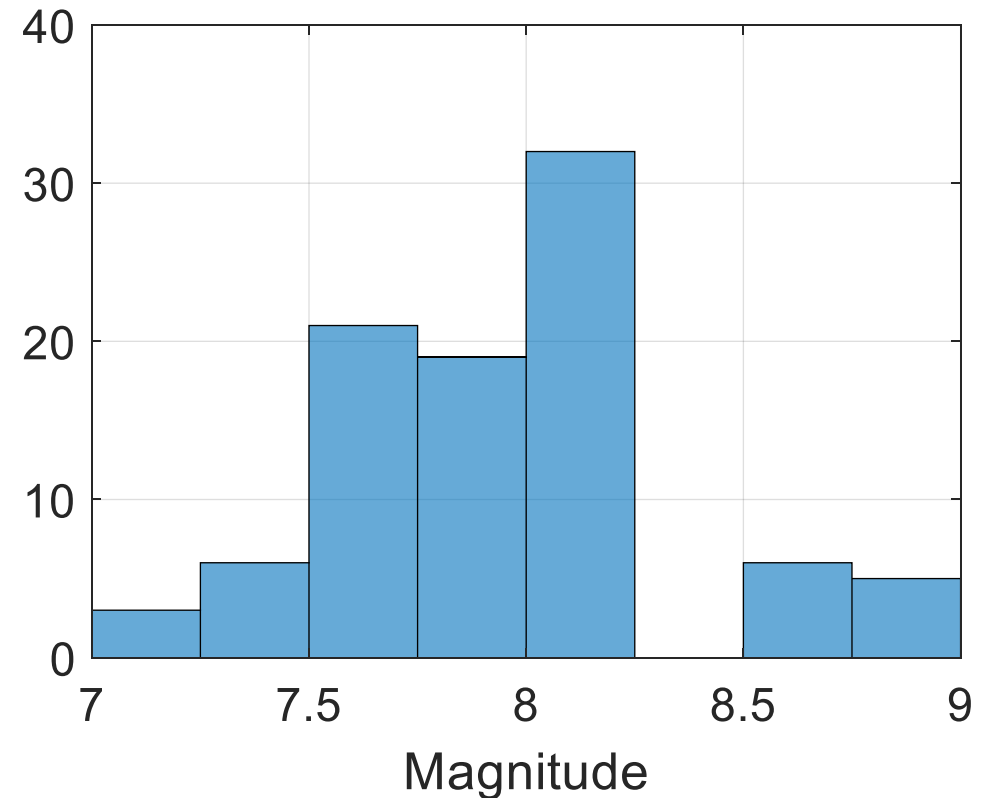
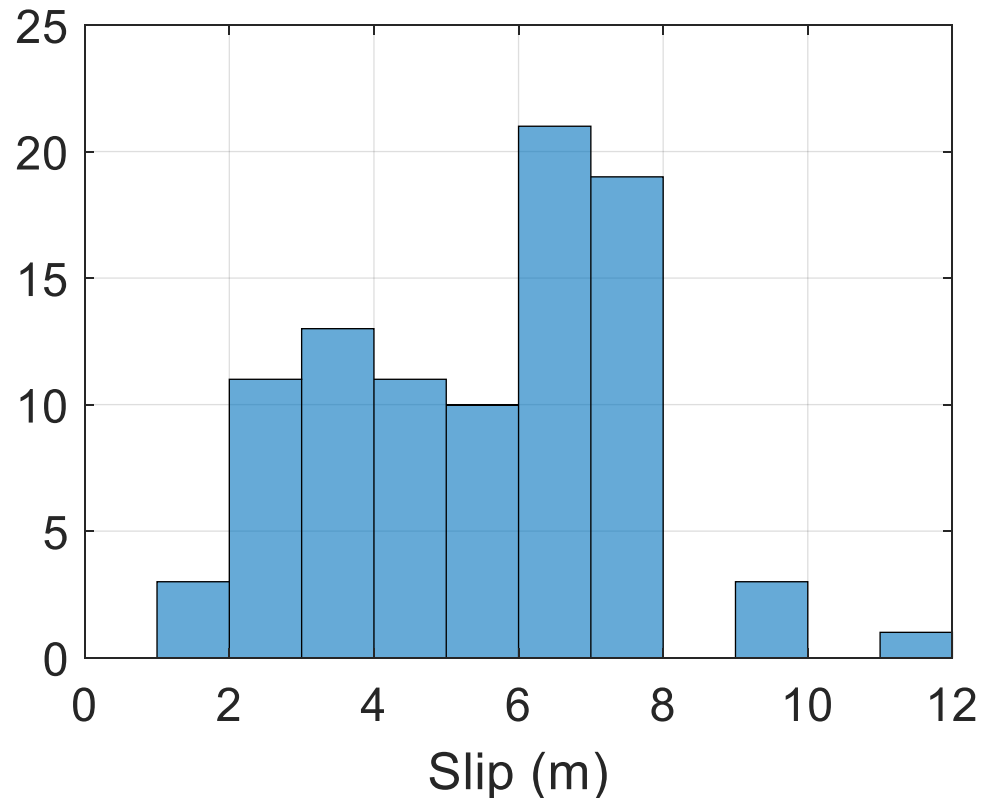
# Damage States (ESRM 20)

	Classification	Threshold
DS0	Slight	$\theta_{DS0} = 0.75\theta_y$
DS1	Moderate	$\theta_{DS1} = 0.5\theta_y + 0.33\theta_c$
DS2	Extensive	$\theta_{DS2} = 0.25\theta_y + 0.67\theta_c$
DS3	Complete	$\theta_{DS4} = \theta_c$

$\theta_y$  = yield rotation  
 $\theta_c$  = rotation at 20% strength drop

# Tsunami Scenarios

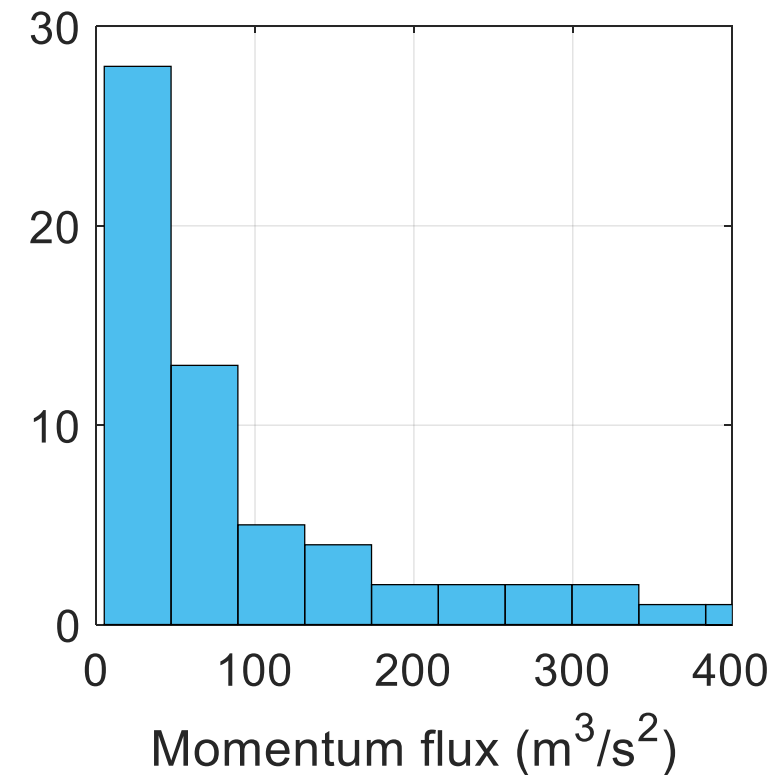
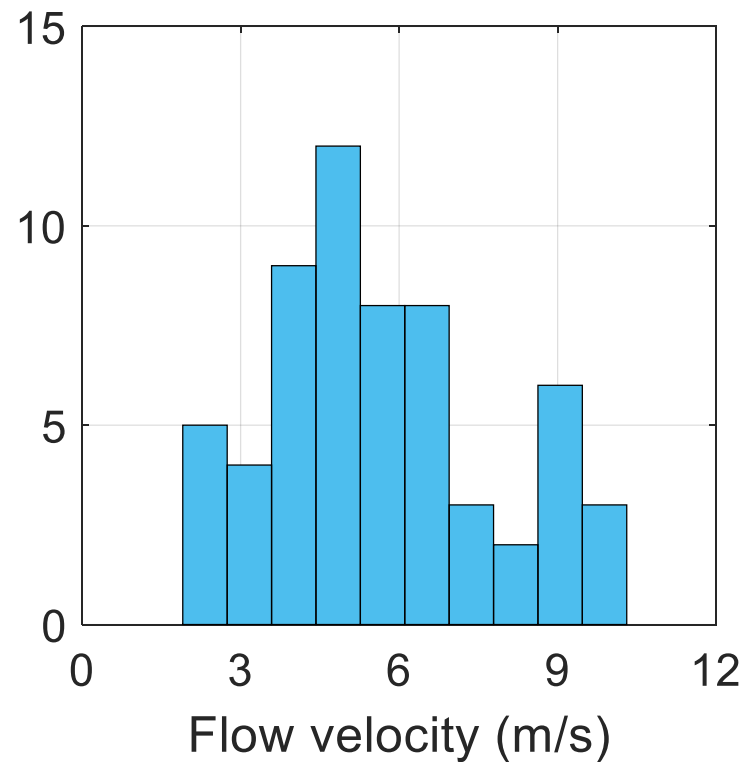
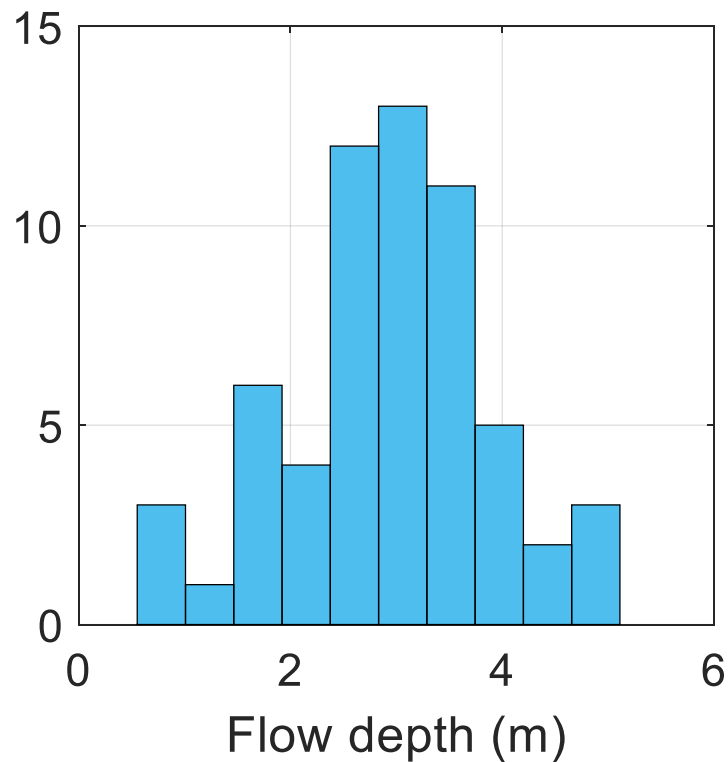
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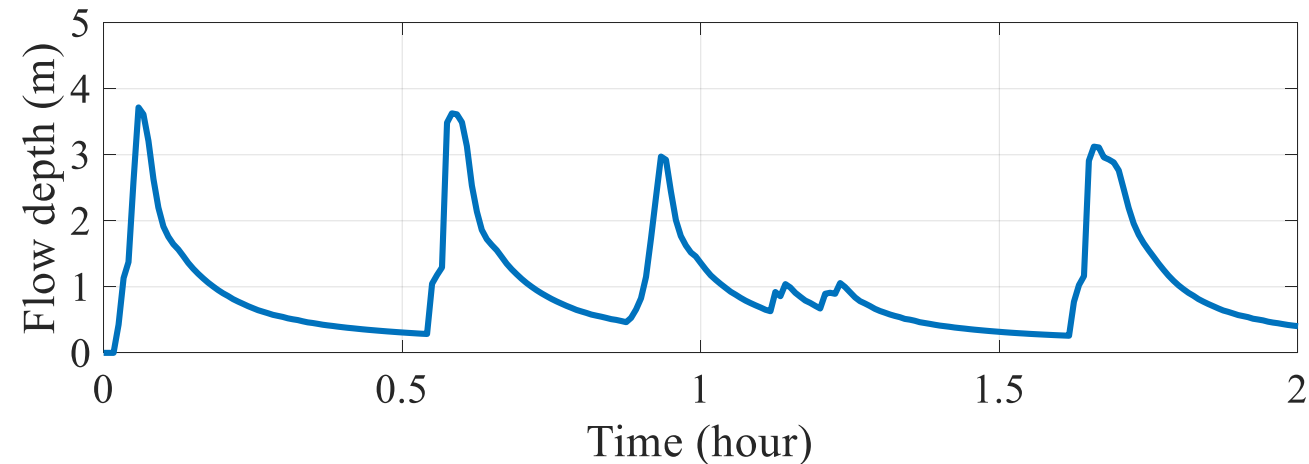
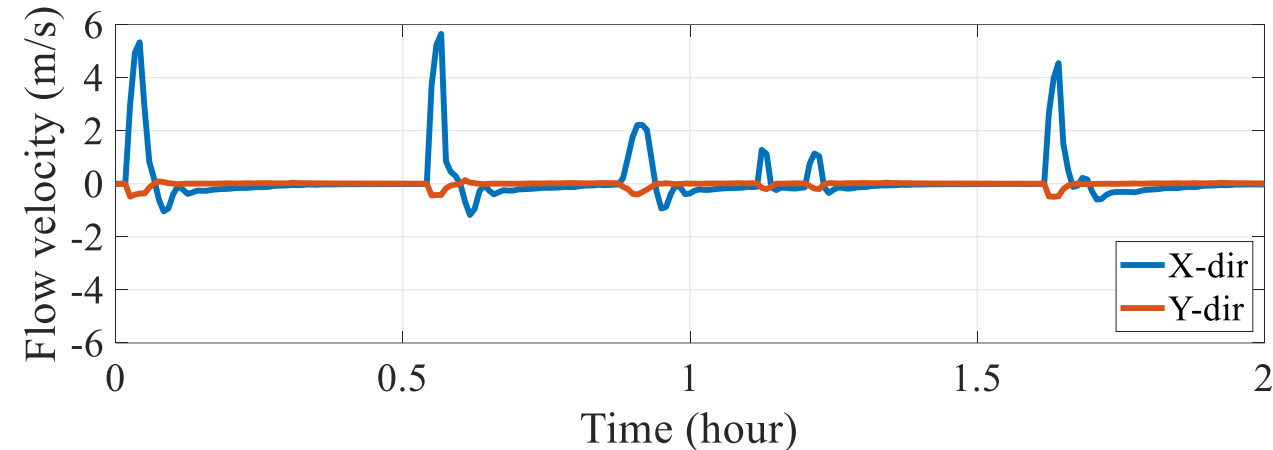
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Tsunami loads include:

- **Hydrostatic** load:  $F = \rho g b h$ ;
- **Hydrodynamic** load:  $F = \frac{1}{2} \rho C_d b (h u^2)$ ;
- Time-history analysis based on the 60 tsunami scenarios (**transient solver**)
- Bi-directional tsunami wave
- Infills assumed to break when the flow depth reach their mid-height

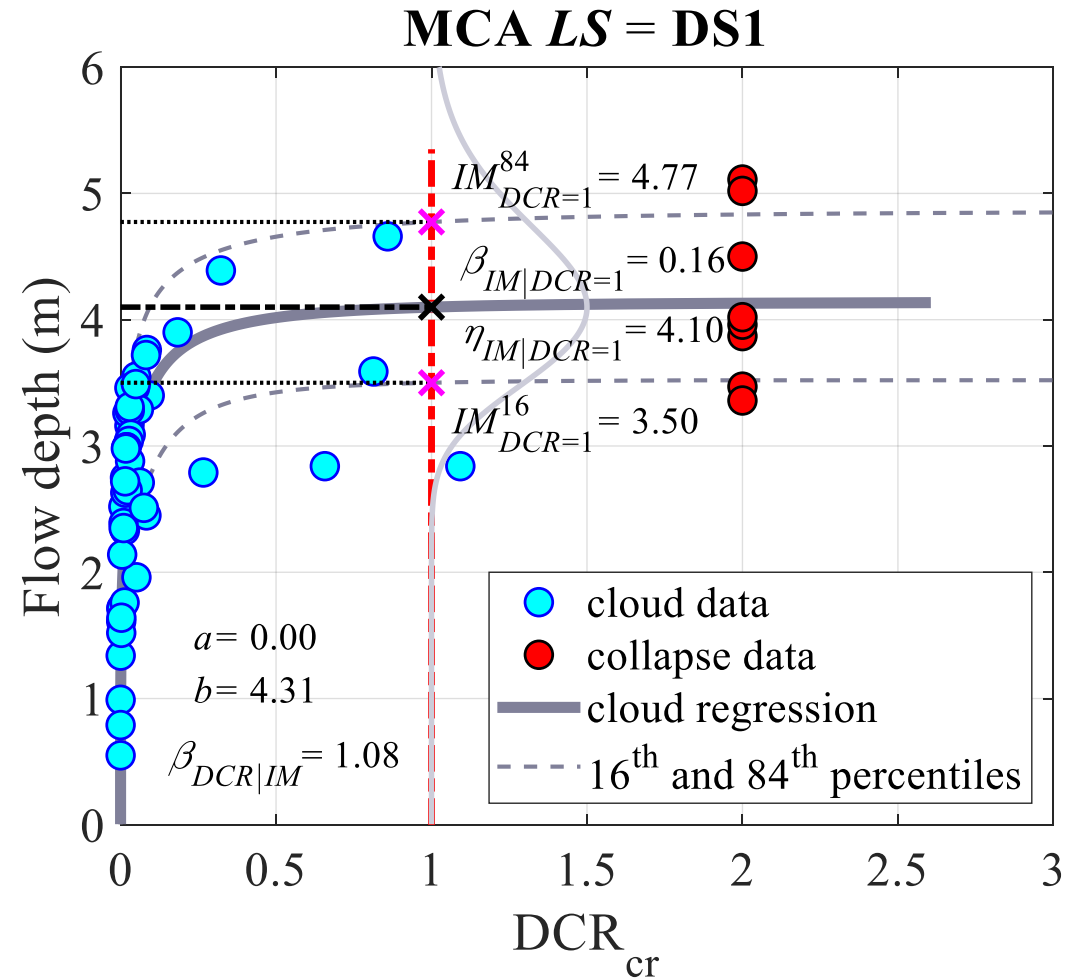
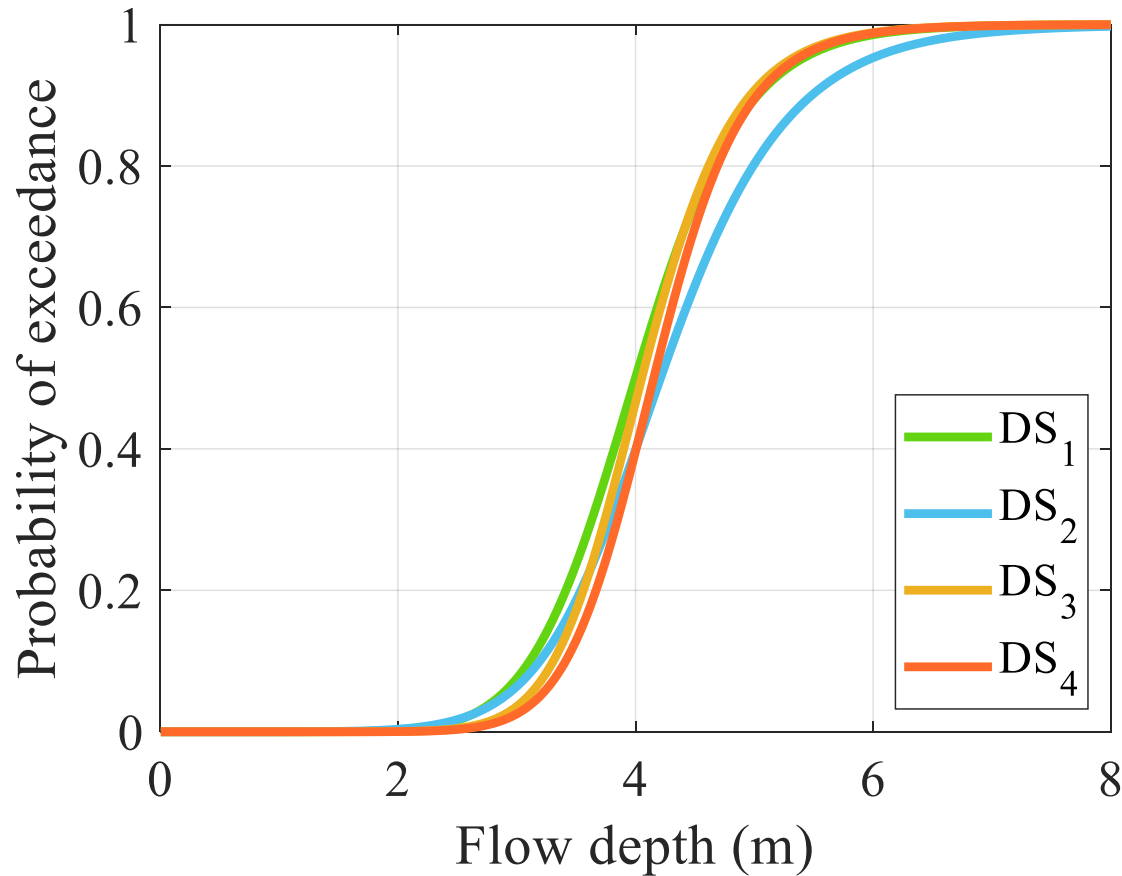
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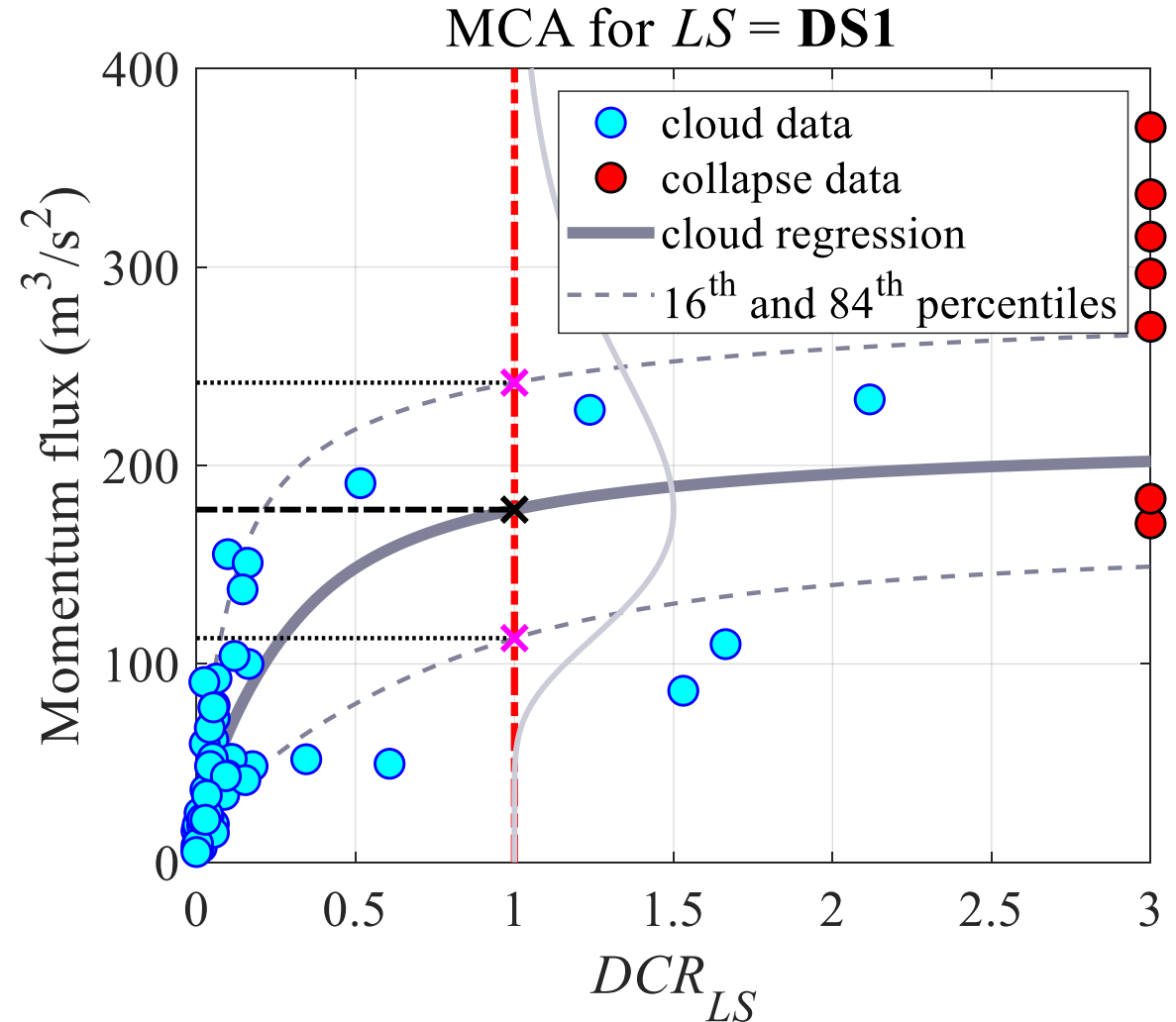
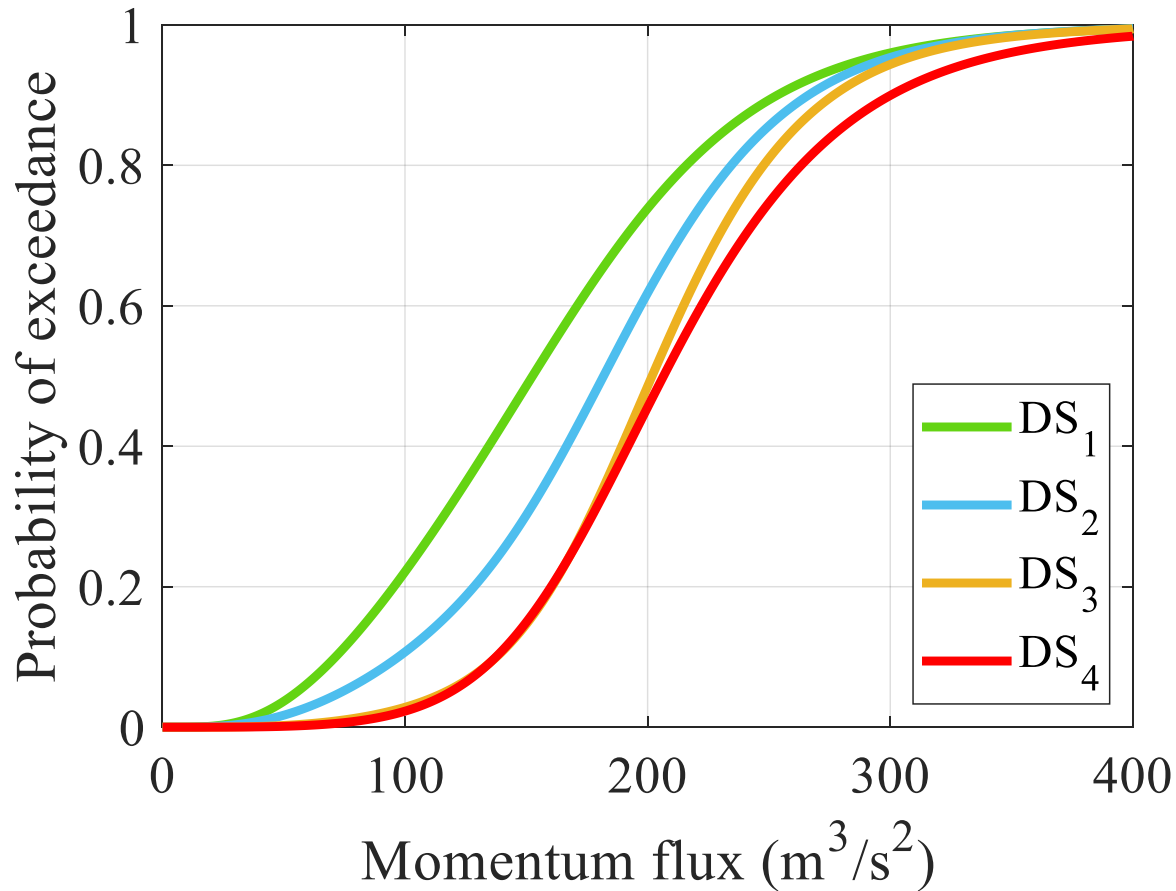


# Tsunami Fragility: Flow Depth Modified Cloud Analysis (MCA)



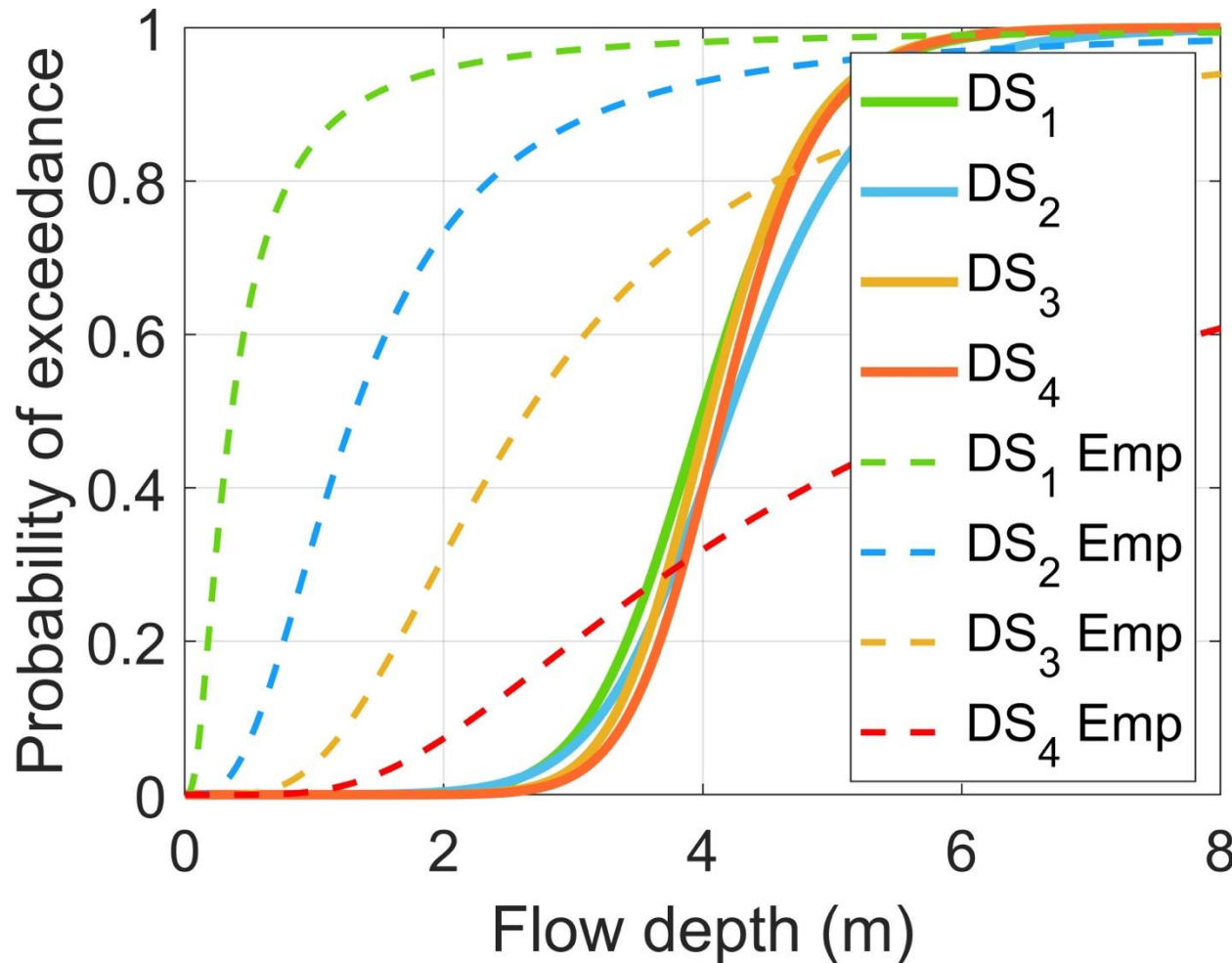


# Tsunami Fragility: Momentum Flux





# Empirical vs Analytical



Comparisons with Japan 2-storey RC building:

- Damage scales are different
- The analytical curve has no building-to-building variability

Source: European Tsunami Risk Service

[https://github.com/eurotsunamirisk/etris\\_data\\_and\\_data\\_products/blob/main/etris\\_data\\_products/Fragility\\_Curves/Japan%202011%20RC%2C%202%20storey\\_M1.csv](https://github.com/eurotsunamirisk/etris_data_and_data_products/blob/main/etris_data_products/Fragility_Curves/Japan%202011%20RC%2C%202%20storey_M1.csv)

# Some take home points

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A simulation-based procedure for class fragility assessment.

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The models can be sophisticated since small-sample MC simulation is used.

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Challenges related to harmony of definitions (taxonomy, damage scale, design, modelling).

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Access to ground motion recordings and tsunami inundation simulations.

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Importance of detailed exposure models to model building-to-building variability.

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Challenges in geolocalising the building classes on the map for simulation purpose (not always available).