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A method for estimating coastline recession due to sea level rise by assuming stationary wind-wave climate

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The Baltic region



Coastal erosion during storm surge at Dziwnów on November 4, 1995



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Relative sea level rise at southern Baltic Sea



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Long-shore Sediment Transport Capacity by using CERC formula (USACE, 1984):



Baltic Sea 63 66 69 72 **Usedom Island** ^教Wolin Island 48 51 ---~1900AD-2000AD -200 -300 Points (Km)

Historical coastline changes with accuracy error bars

What's Dynamic Equilibrium Shore Model? Mass-balanced source-to-sink model



Semi-enclosed system: $Q_{LST,in} = Q_{LST,out} = 0$















$(V_{external})_i - Q_x + Q_y = 0$

Subaerial sediment mass volume change $(V_{external})_i - Q_x + Q_y = 0$

Submarine sediment mass volume change

Lateral sediment flux



$$V'_{external,i} = E * c_i + F$$
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$$C_i (h_{cliff_{ot,i}} + h_{cliff,i} + s_i/2)$$



Paleo reconstruction by using iterative inverse modelling

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$$[c_{i}*h_{*}] = |s_{i}l_{i}|$$
Bruun rule model

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For the future projection of coastline changes by 2100 AD

Lateral sediment flux ~1900 – 2000 AD





Future projection of coastline changes 2000AD - 2100AD with eustatic sea level rise of 0.12 m and 0.24m



Comparison with other equilibrium models

1. Modified Bruun rule model by Bray and Hooke (1997):

$$R_2 = R_1 + \frac{(S_2 - S_1)L}{P(B + h_*)}$$

where P is the proportion (here, is 1) of cliff sediment that remains within the active profile (% sand and gravel) and B is cliff elevation; R_1 is historic retreat rate and S_1 is historical relative sea level rise; R_2 is future retreat

rate and S_2 is future relative sea level rise.

2. SCAPE model (m=0.5) by Walkden and Dickson (2008):

$$R_2 = R_1 (\frac{S_2}{S_1})^m$$

where R_1 and R_2 are historic and future retreat rates, and S_1 and S_2 are historical and future relative sea level rises.





Conclusions

- The model DESM is also capable for the future projection as a first-order three dimensional prediction.
- The predictive mode of the DESM model is developed based on paleo-scenarios reconstructed by the DESM model.
- The predictive mode of the DESM model provides a first-order three dimensional projection of coastline changes. The impact of sea level rise is determined by the ratio between the lateral sediment flux and the ccommodation space evolving from relative sea level rise.
- The result indicates that the impact of accelerated sea level rise is significant especially when the lateral sediment flux is relative small.



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Sediment budget estimation

