

# Multimethod approach for landslide hazard monitoring

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## New approach to monitor shallow slow-moving landslides

### Objectives :

- 1) Where are the high-risk areas?
- 2) What are the reactivation mechanisms and their factors of control?

### Methods:

#### 1) Estimate the hazard:

- PoF => Hydro-geomechanical model
  - Extract critical parameters
  - Estimate their spatial variability (Geophysics + remote sensing)

#### 2) Characterize and monitor areas at risk:

- Multimethod approach (geophysics, geotechnics, hydrology and meteorology)

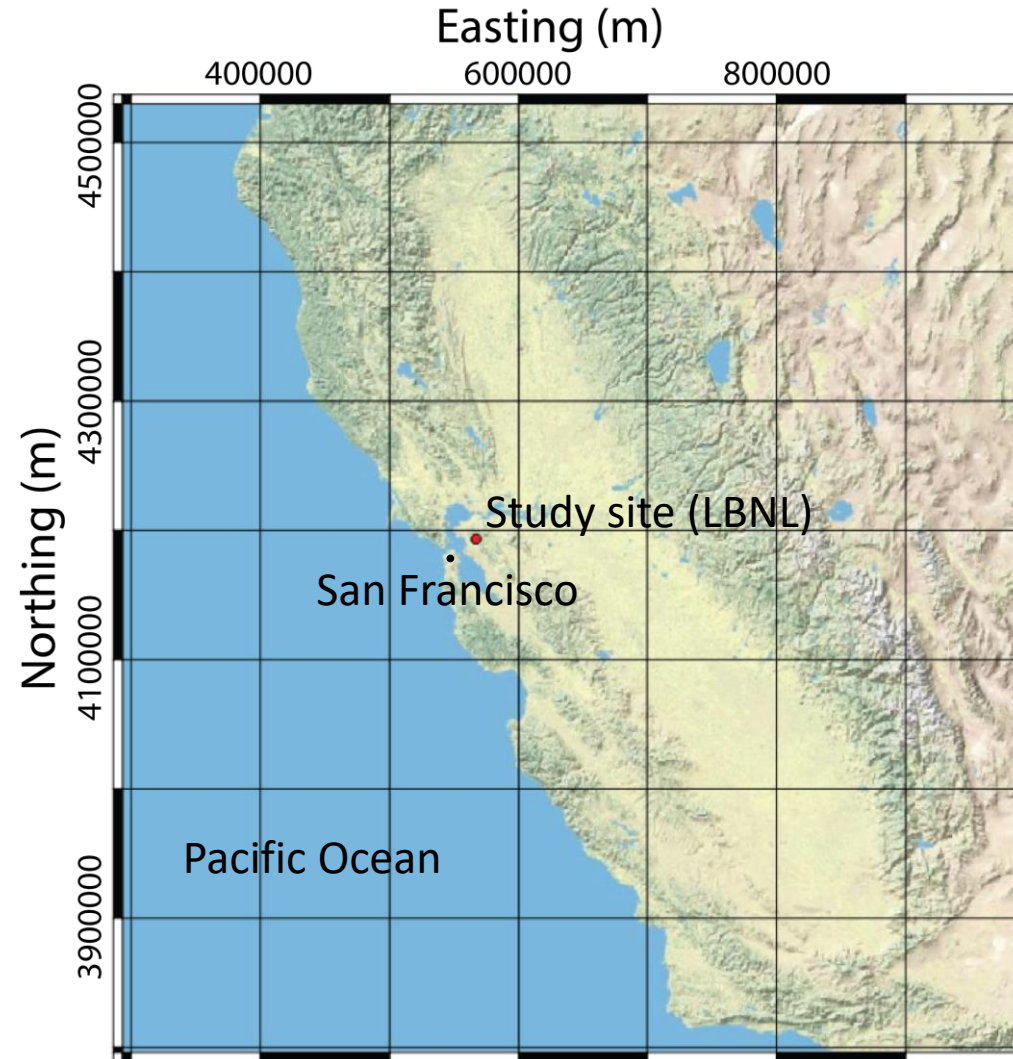


La Conchita landslide, 2005, California, USA.

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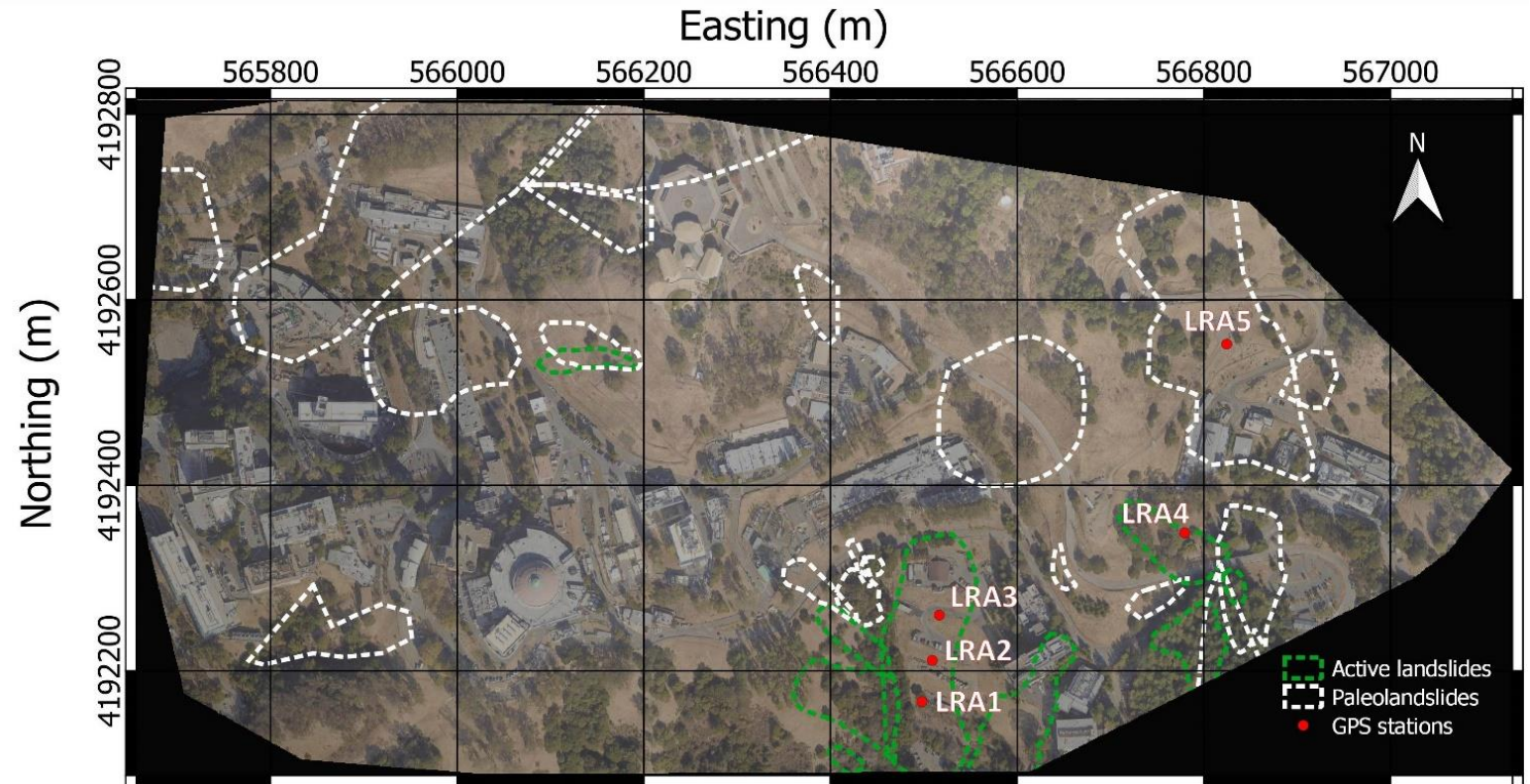




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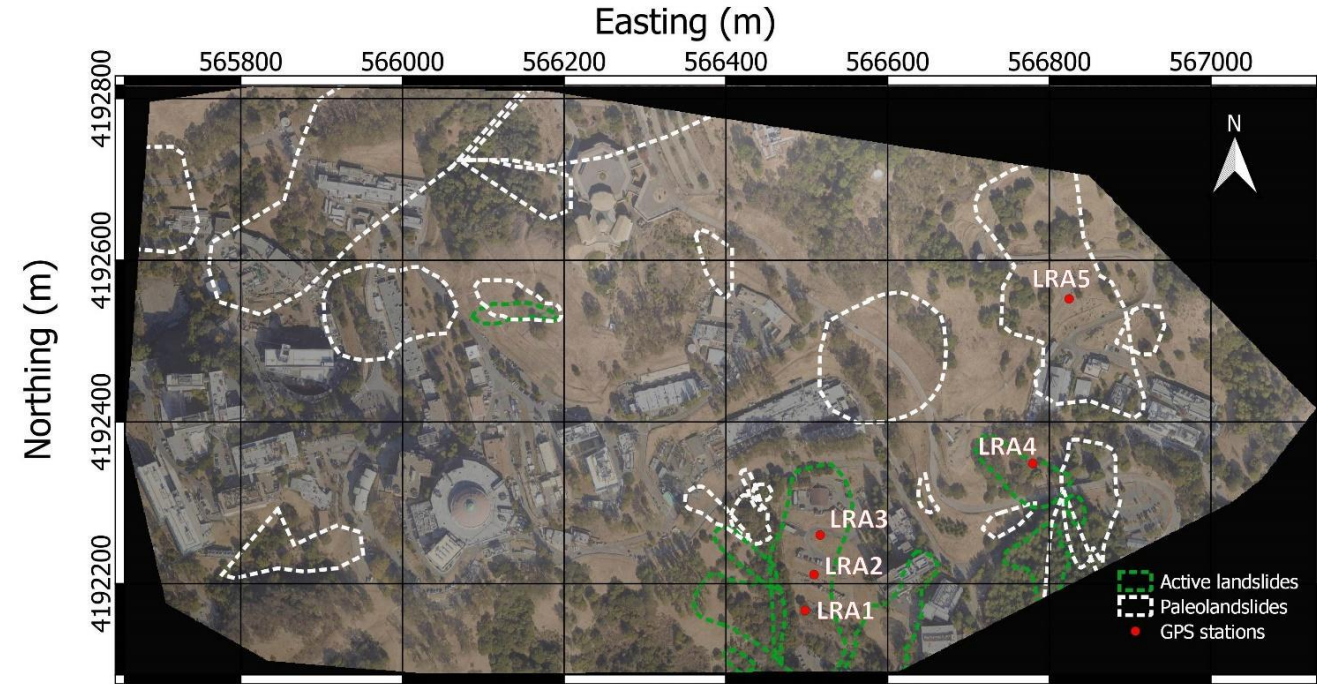


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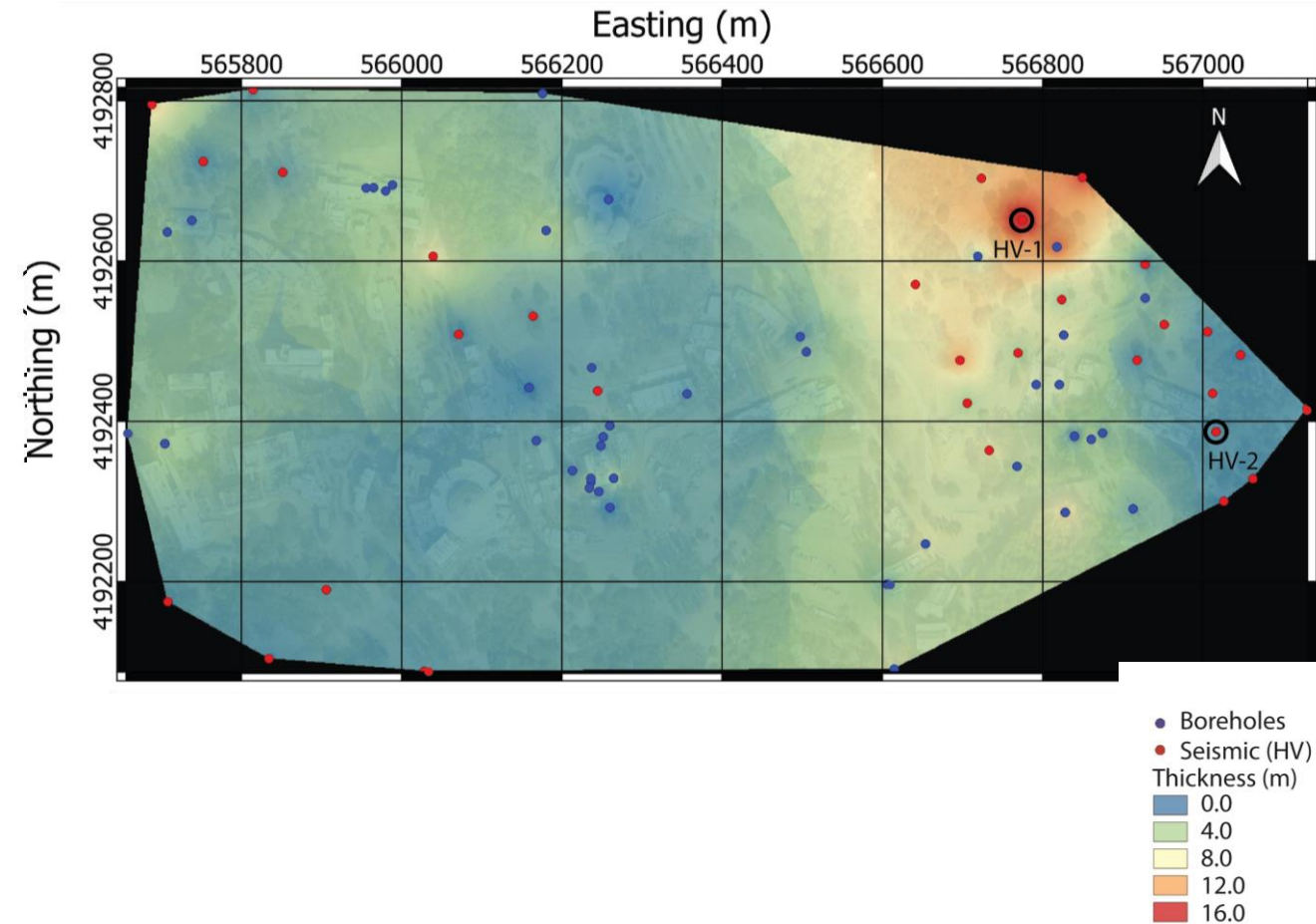
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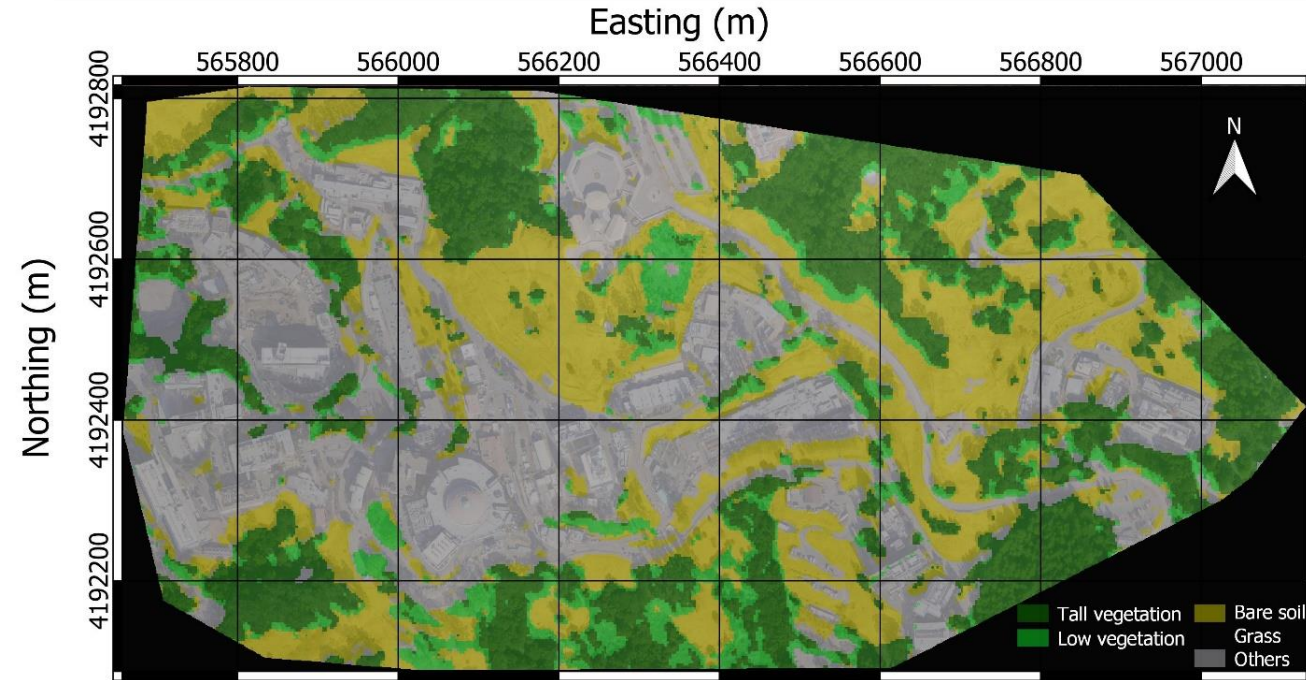
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- Remote sensing (classification)  
=> extract vegetation => root cohesion

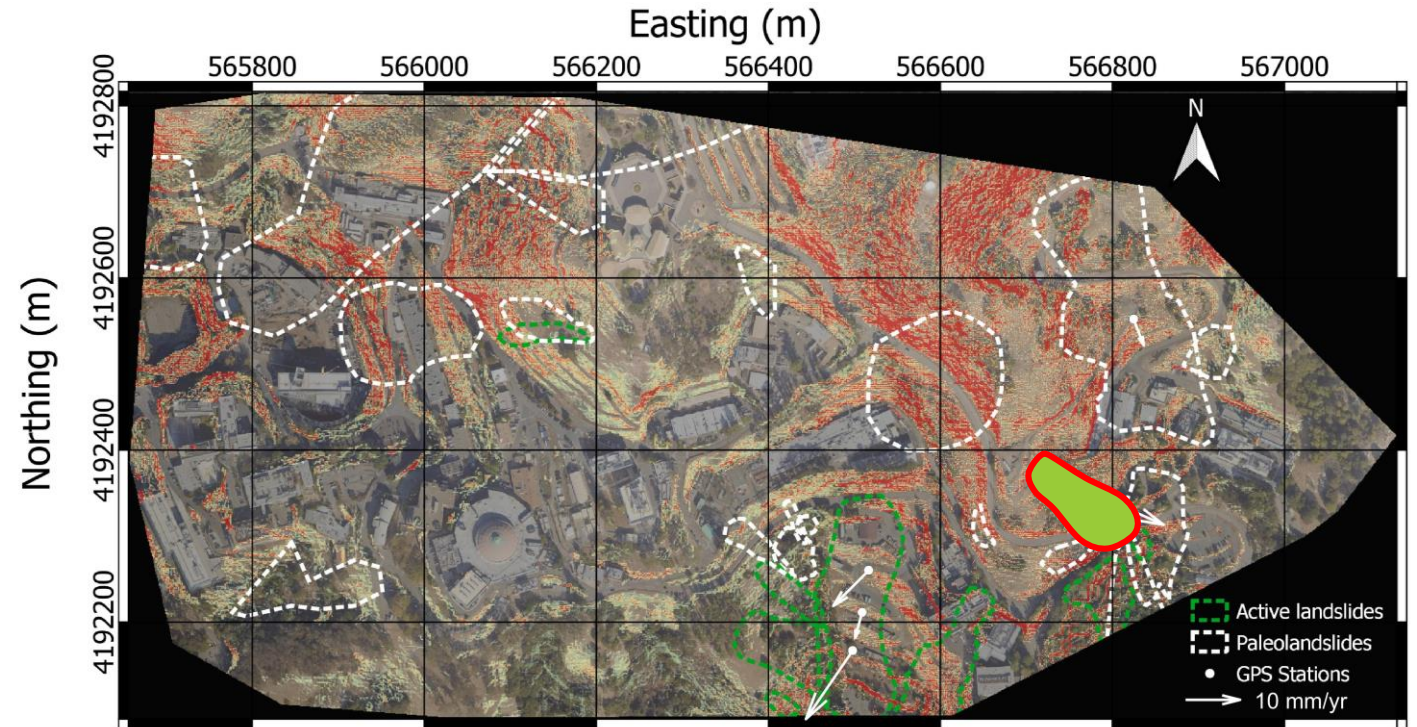


# Final Probability of failure map

- Taking into account soil thickness and vegetation lead to a more accurate estimation of PoF
  - High PoF in moving areas (GPS stations) or paleolandslides areas
  - Small to zero PoF in retrofitted areas (build)

## What are the reactivation mechanisms and their factors of control?

- Concentration on a high risk area endangering a bridge



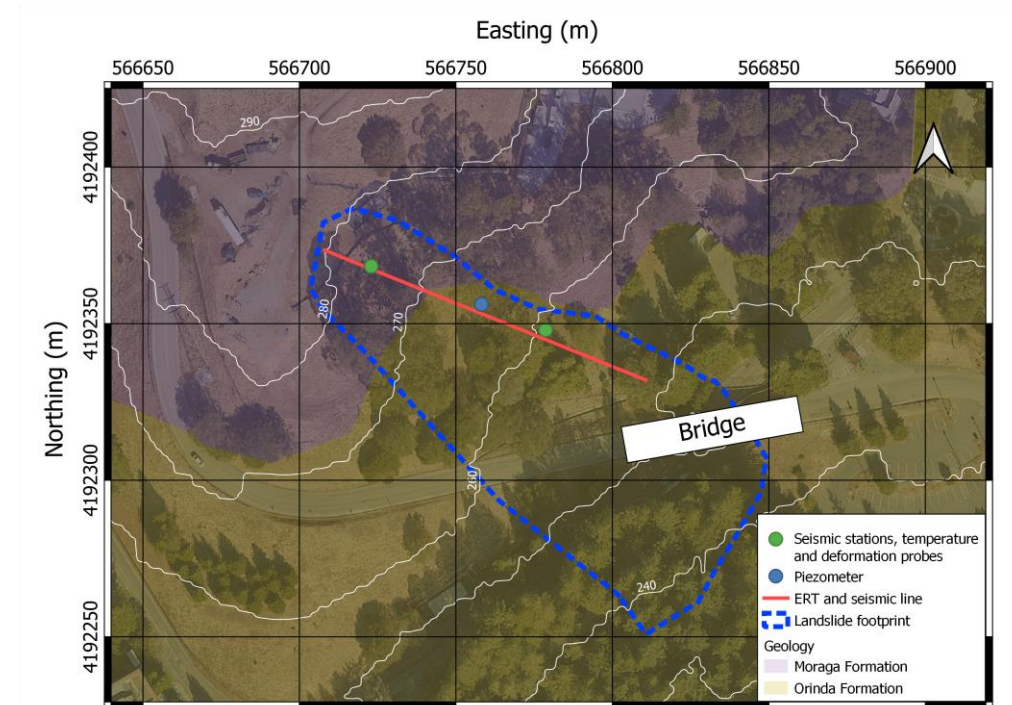


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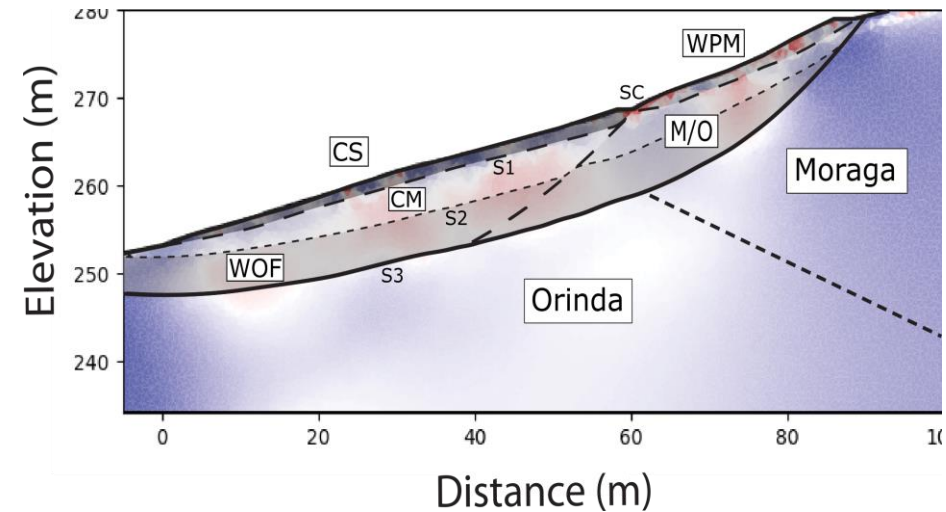


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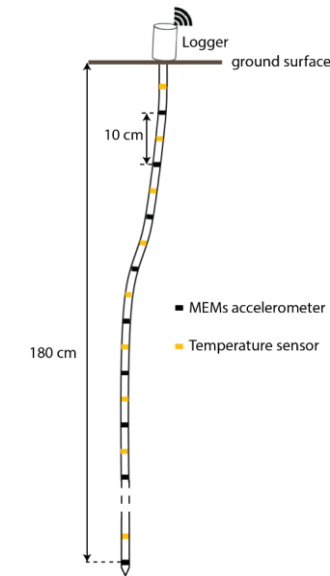
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Monitoring:

- inclinometer/temperature
- Ambient seismic noise (3C / 4.5Hz)
- meteorological station and piezometer

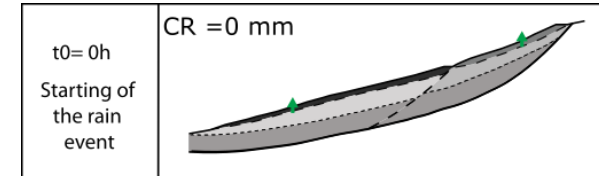
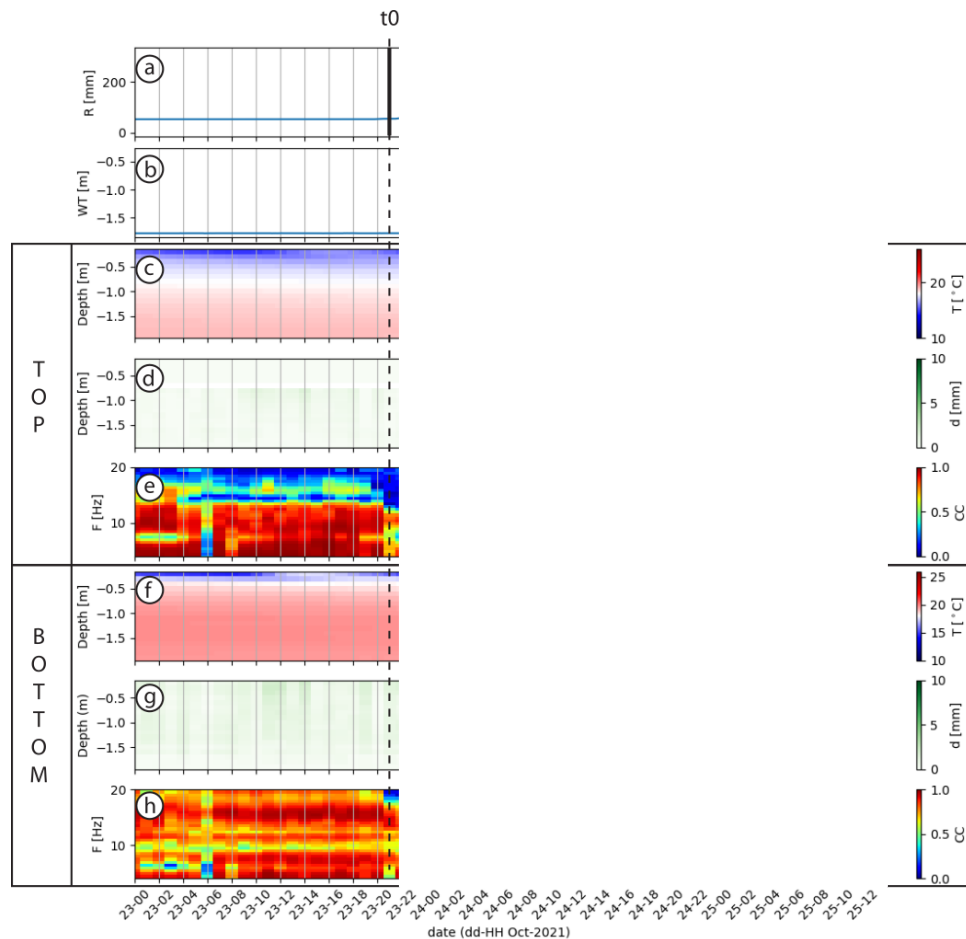


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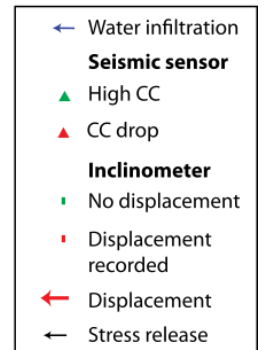
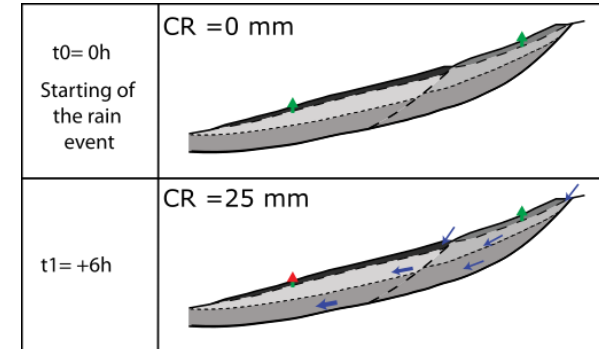
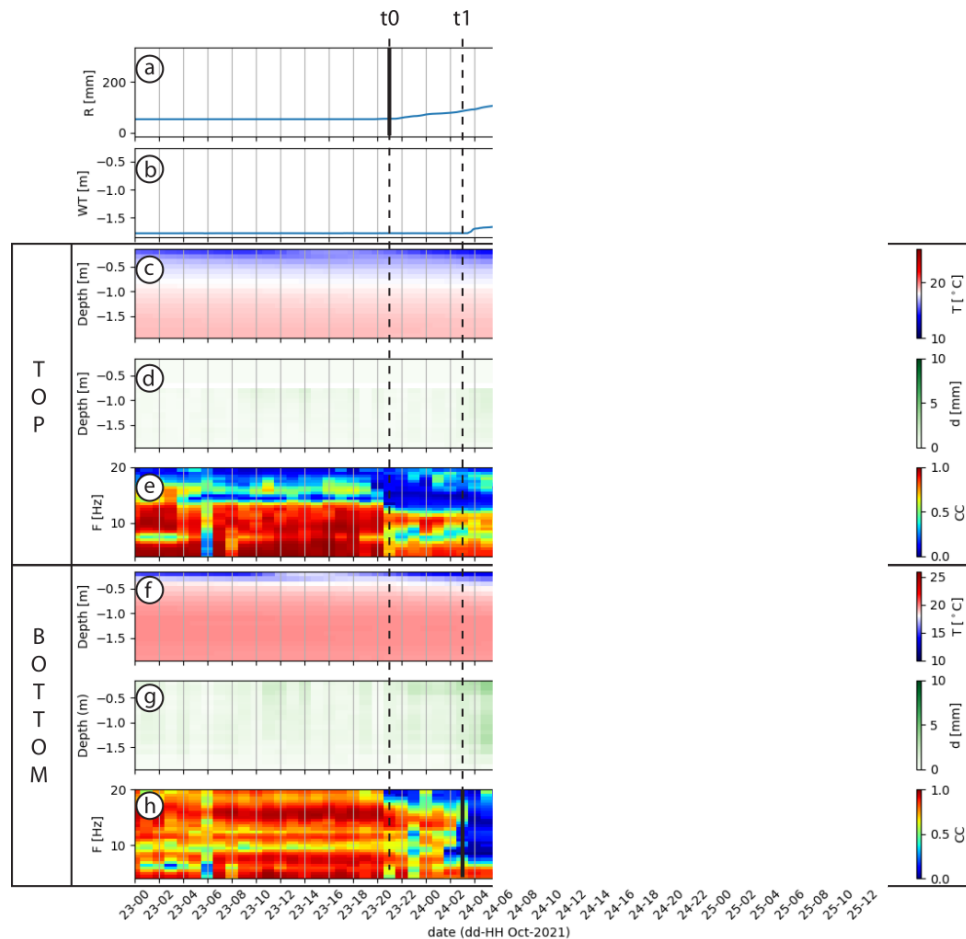
Monitoring of small reactivation during rainstorm event:



- ← Water infiltration
- Seismic sensor**
- ▲ High CC
- ▲ CC drop
- Inclinometer**
- No displacement
- Displacement recorded
- ← Displacement
- ← Stress release

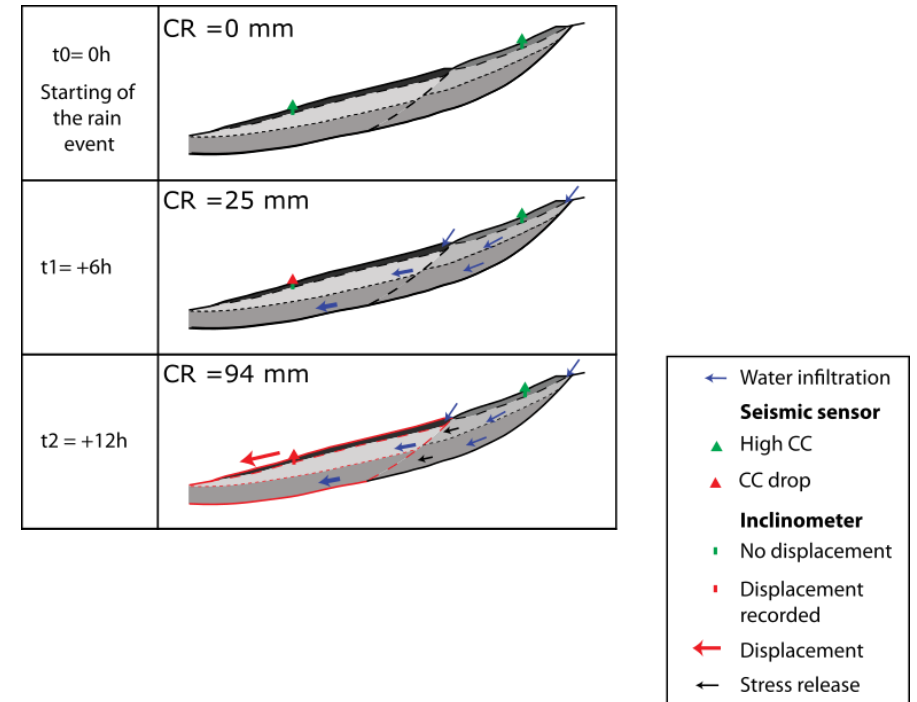
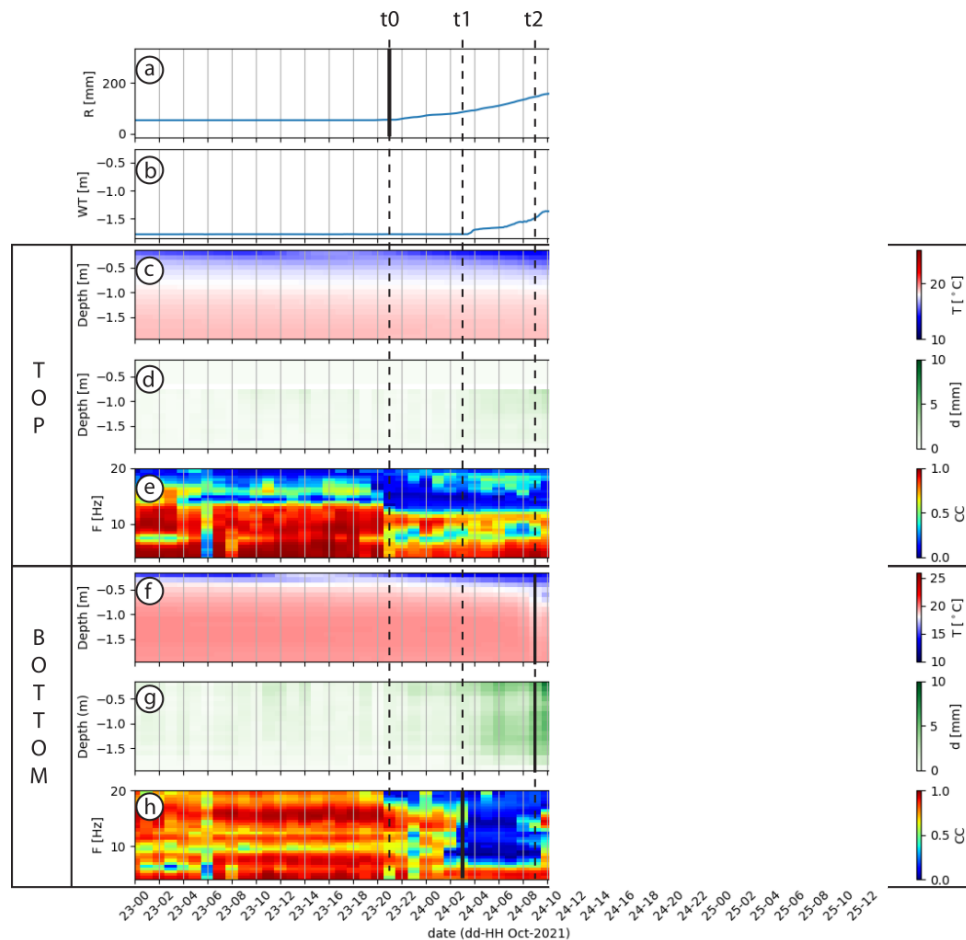
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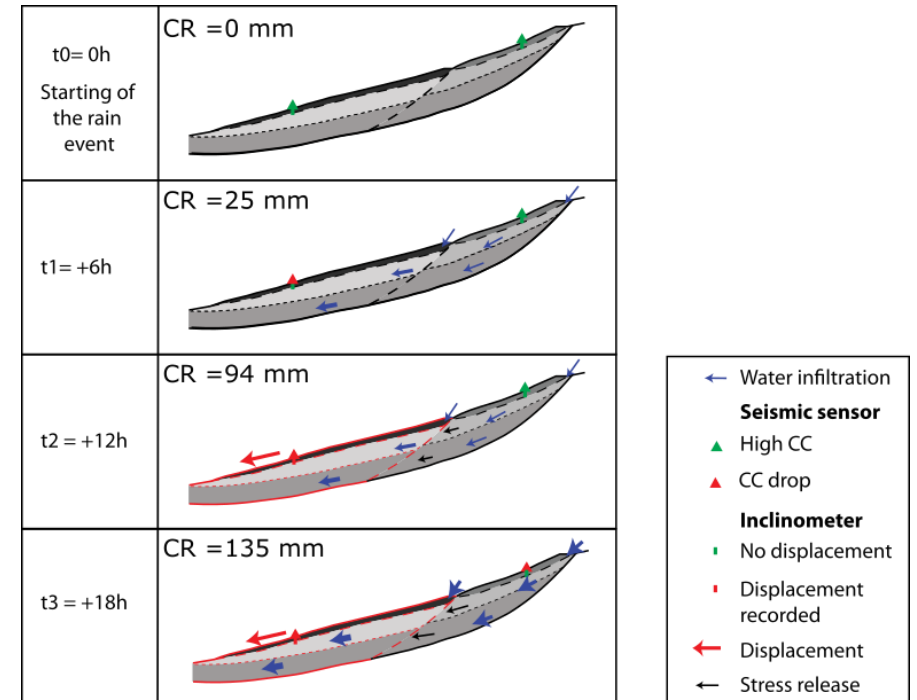
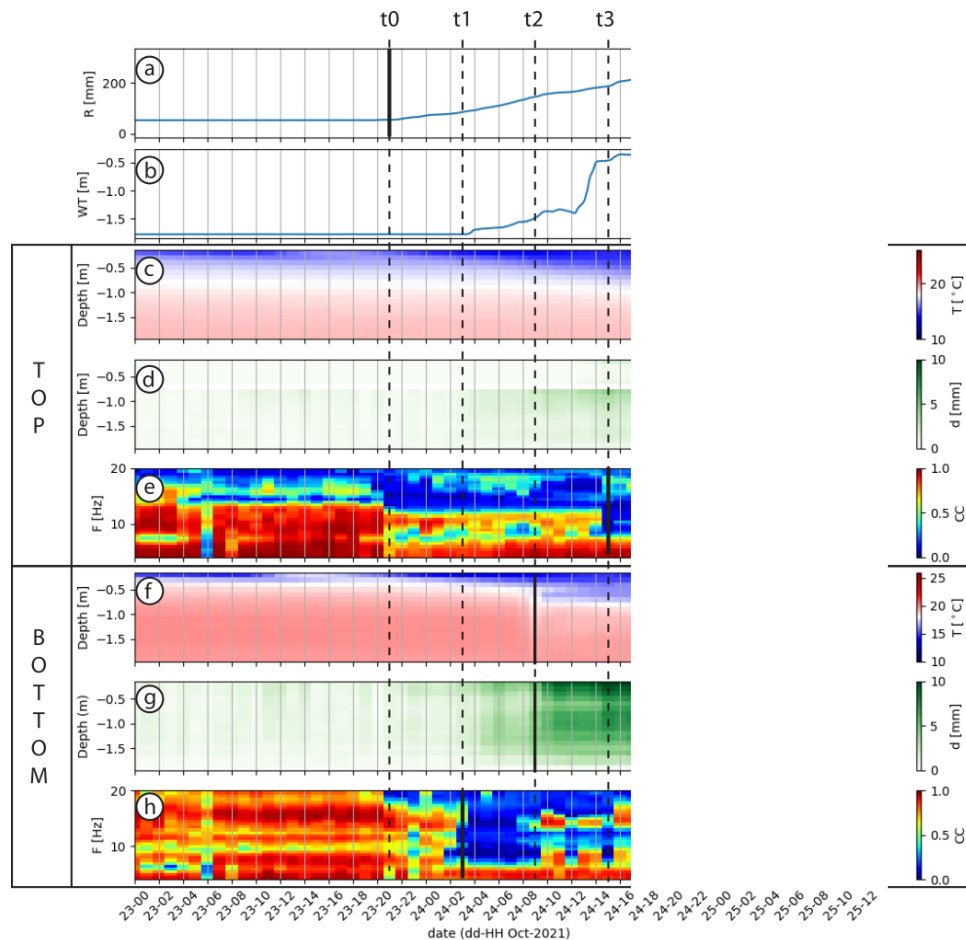
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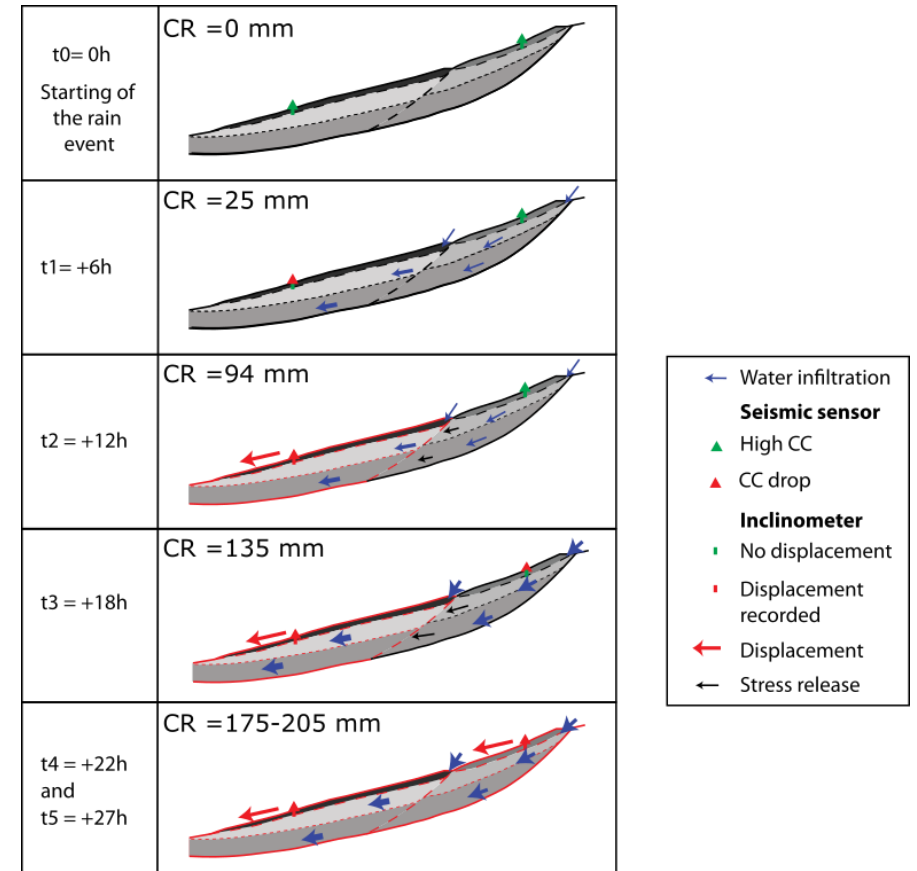
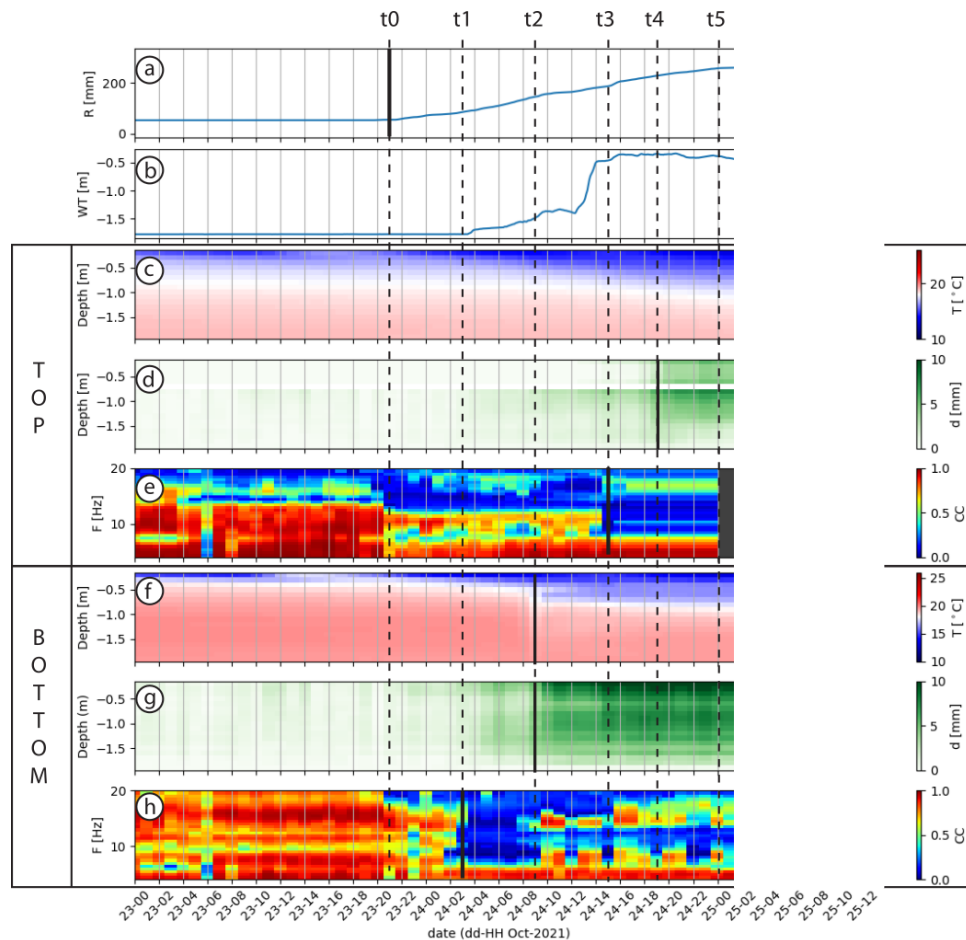
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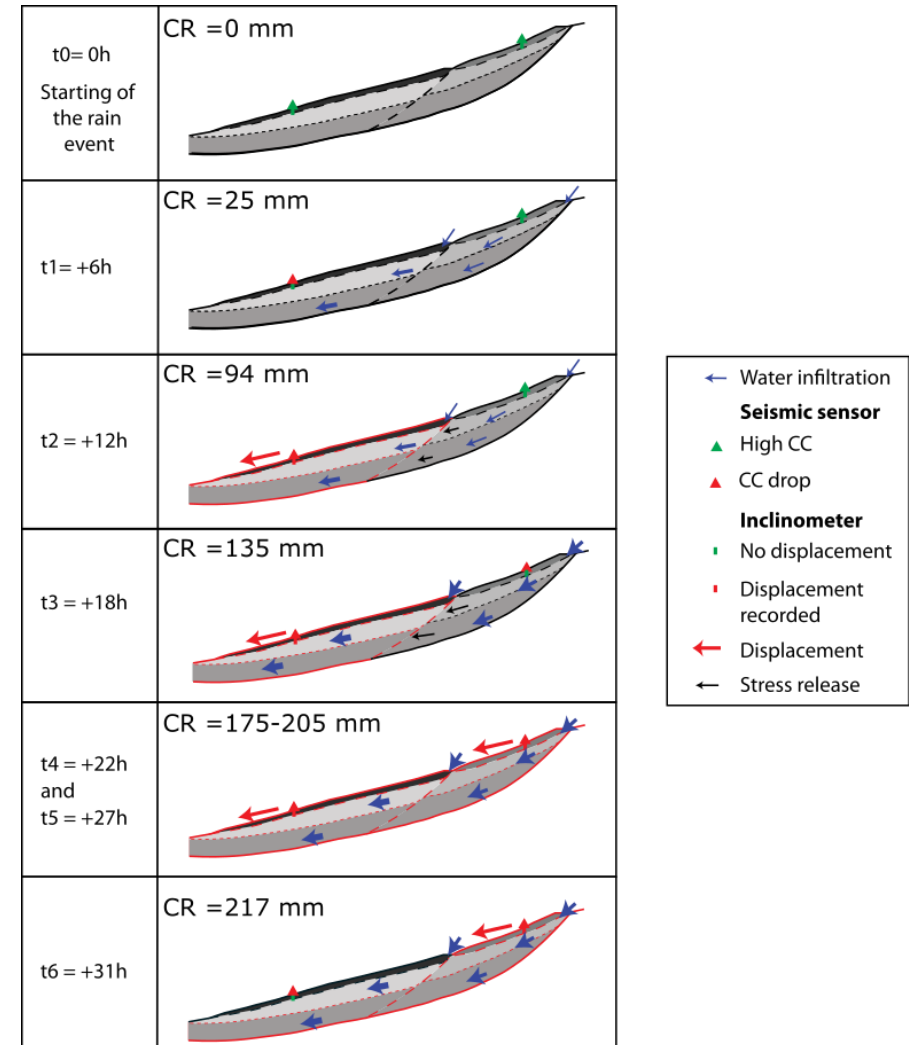
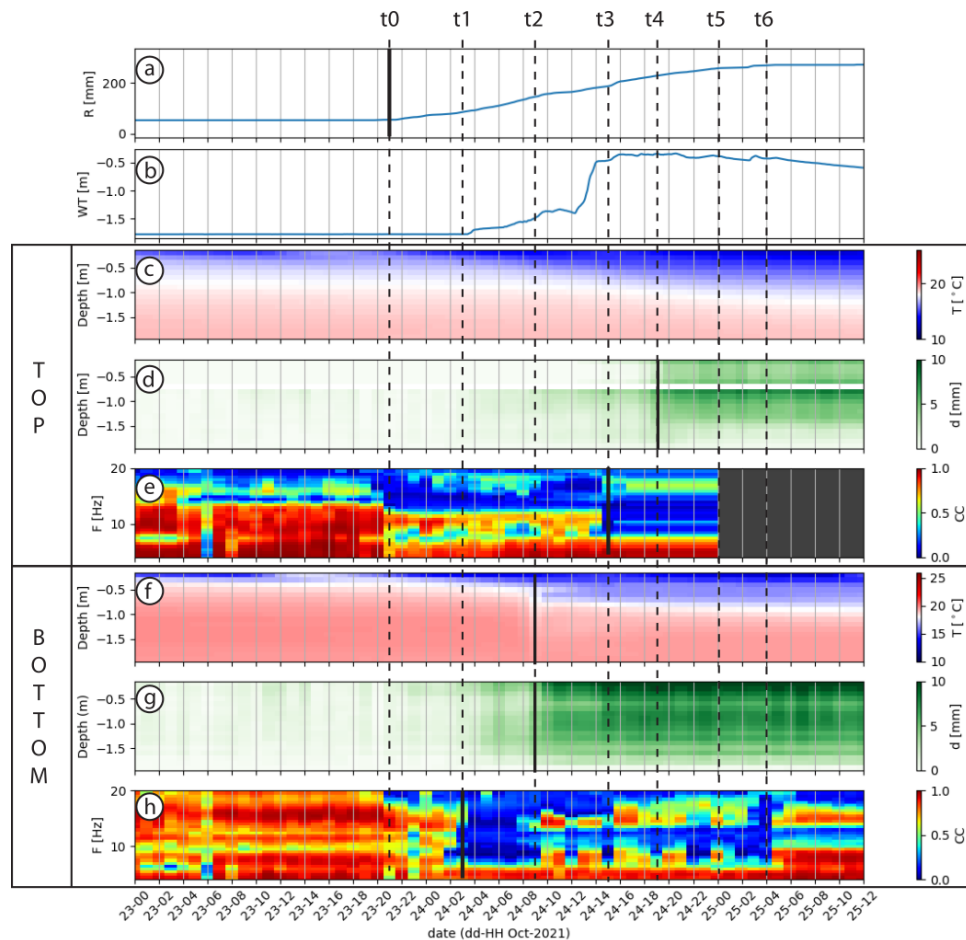
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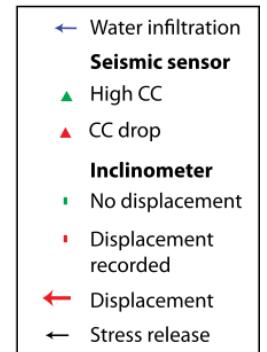
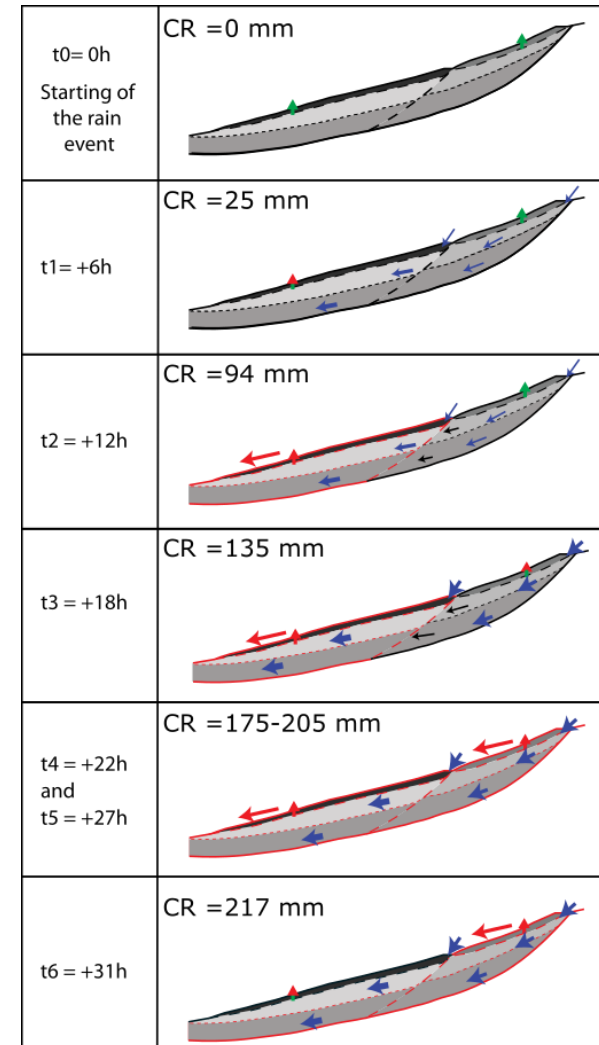
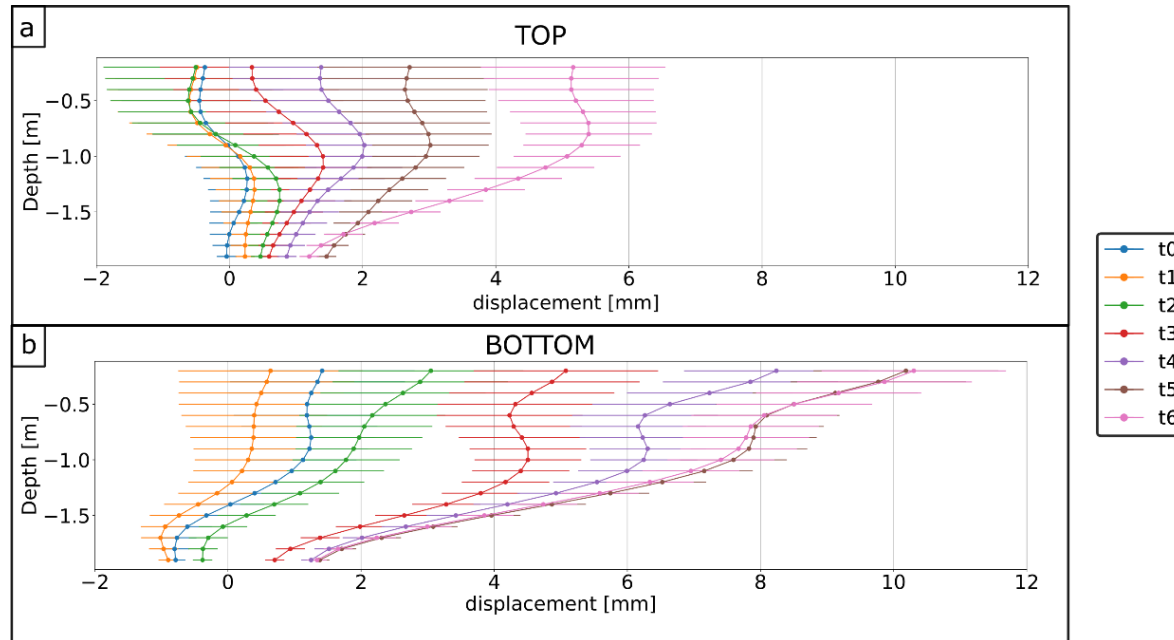
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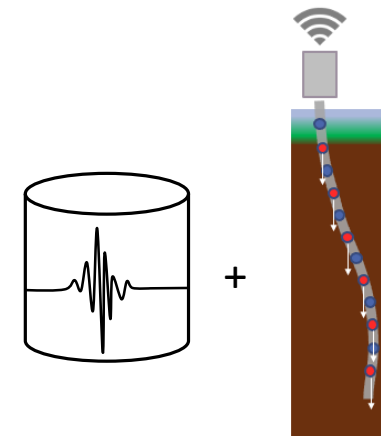
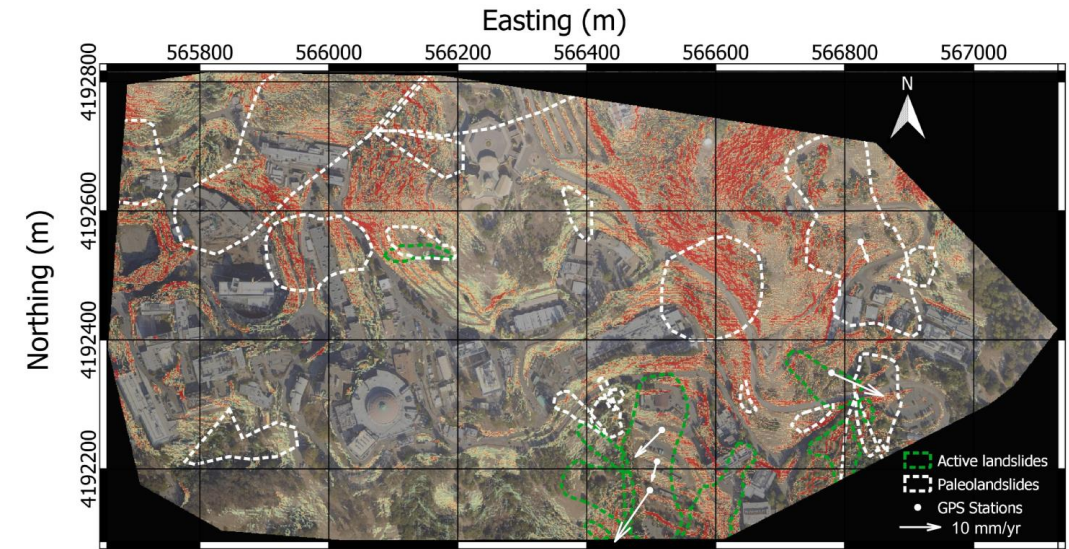
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# Conclusion

- Key steps for assessing slope instabilities hazards
  - Taking into account variations of critical parameter.
  - seismic to determine the soil thickness distribution.
  - remote sensing to allow monitoring of the PoF.
- Key steps/combinations for monitoring landslide hazards
  - Seismic => precursory
  - Inclinator / temperature => track deformation to better capture the mechanisms



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# Parameters impacting on the Probability of Failure (PoF)

Probability of failure using Monte-Carlo approach on  
Factor of Safety ( $FS$ ):

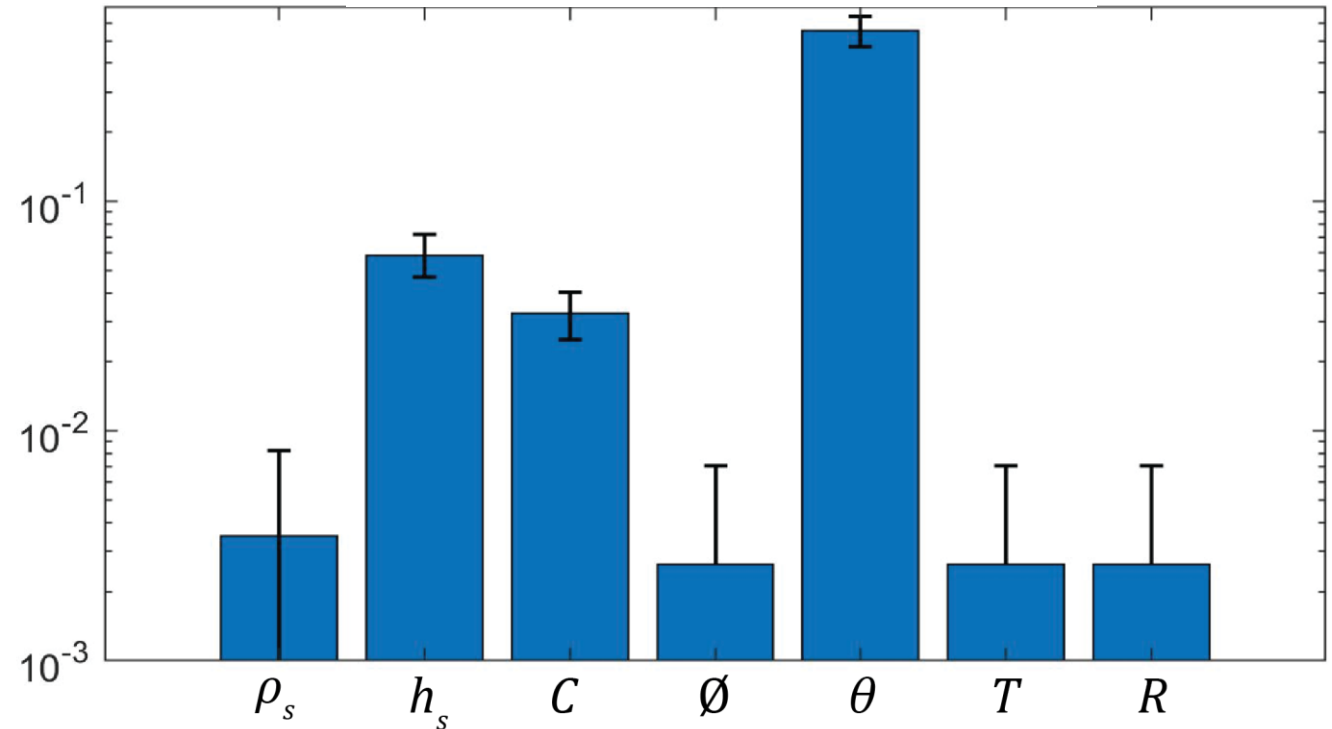
$$FS = \frac{(C_s + C_r)/h_s \rho_s g}{\sin \theta} + \frac{\cos \theta \tan \phi (1 - R_w \rho_w / \rho_s)}{\sin \theta}$$

- Soil density ( $\rho_s$ )
- Soil thickness ( $h_s$ )
- Cohesion (soil and root cohesion,  $C = C_s + C_r$ )
- Friction angle ( $\phi$ )
- slope angle ( $\theta$ )

$$R_w = \min\left(\frac{R a}{T \sin \theta}, 1\right)$$

- Soil transmissivity ( $T$ )
- Water recharge ( $R$ )

**Sobol first order indices  
(variance based sensitivity analysis)**



How can we easily extract relevant parameters?



# Use of remote sensing to extract vegetation cover

Classification with SVM classifier



Extraction of tall vegetation



Computation of the min, max and mean root cohesion (considering most represented tree species)

$$Cr = 0.48 * Tr * RAR$$

with  $Tr$  average tensile strength of roots and  $RAR$  the root area ratio



$$C = C_s + C_r$$

