



Ground Motion Hazard, Site Response, & Ground Failure

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Overview

- Effects that caused large ground motions
- Broadband strong motion simulation
- Validation of Northridge simulations
- PSHA based on simulations (Cybershake)
- Outstanding issues – basin edge effects
- Next steps

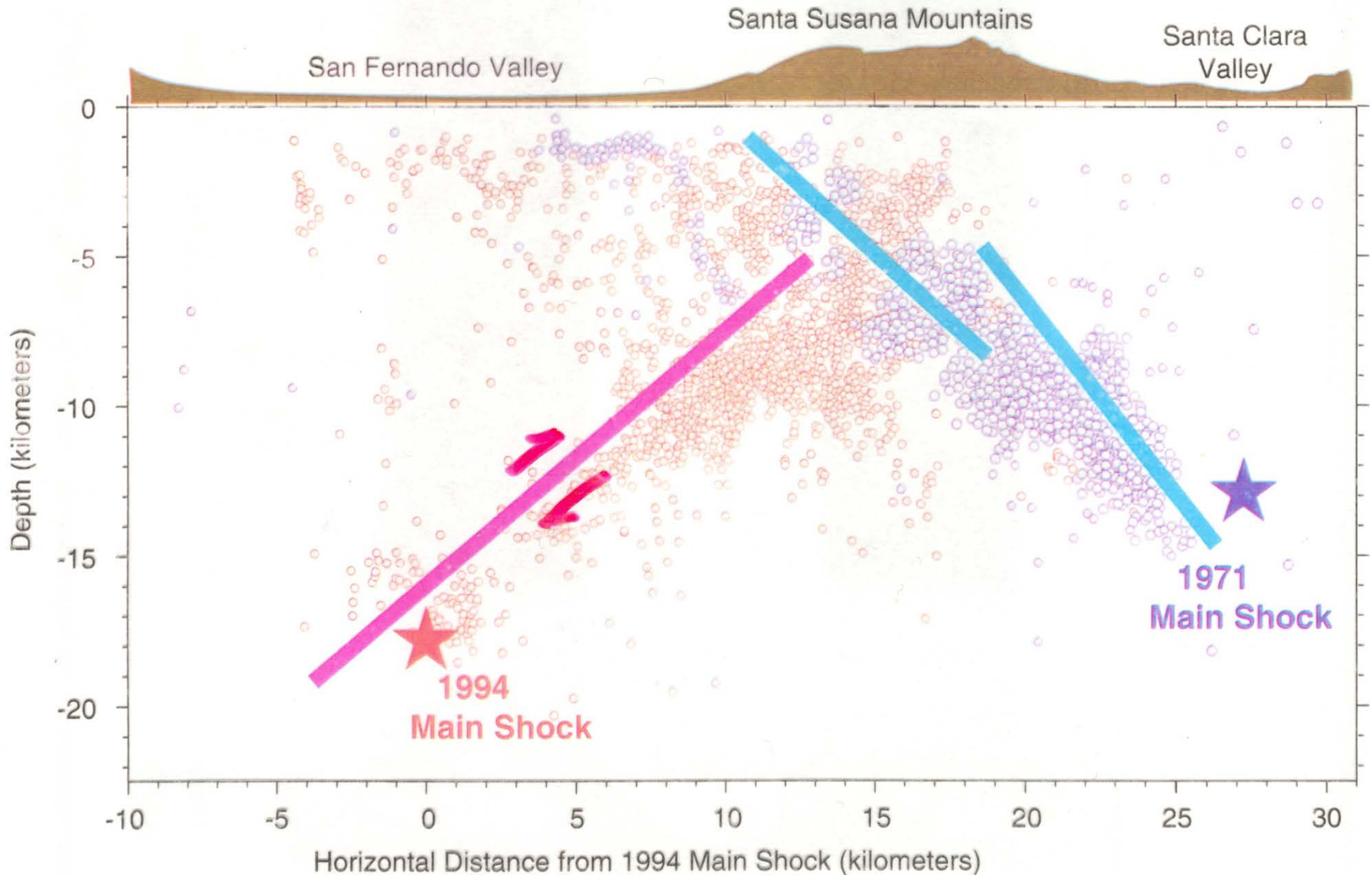
Large ground motions caused by:

- Blind thrust fault
 - Depth to top of rupture D_{tor}
- Rupture directivity effects
 - “Seismic boom” from near supersonic rupture
 - Amplified by radiation pattern
- Hanging wall effects
- Basin effects
- Basin edge effects
 - Multipathing
 - Focusing

Accomplishments

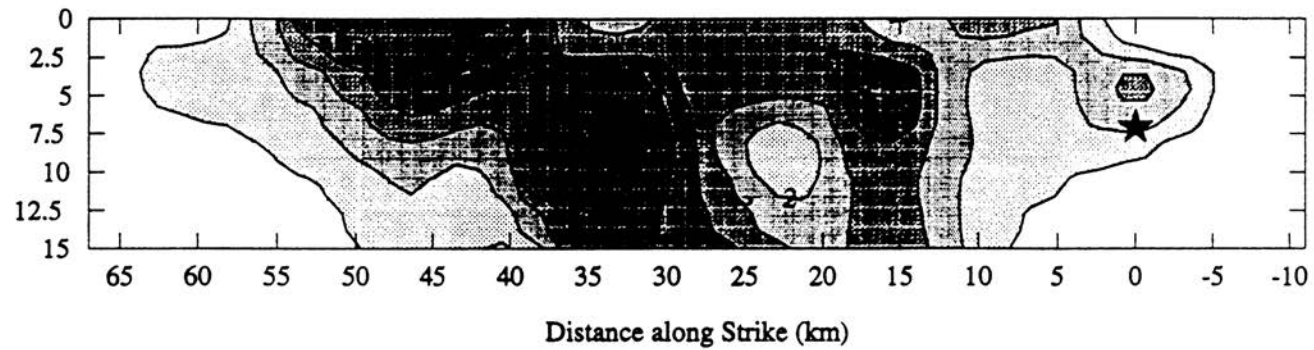
- Ability to simulate strong motion effects:
 - Rupture directivity effects
 - Buried faulting effects (Dtor)
 - Hanging wall effects
 - Basin effects
 - Basin edge effects
- Development of basin amplification factors in PEER NGA Project
- Guidance on Dtor and HW effects in NGA
- SCEC Broadband Simulation Platform

Blind Thrust Fault, $D_{tor} = 6$ km

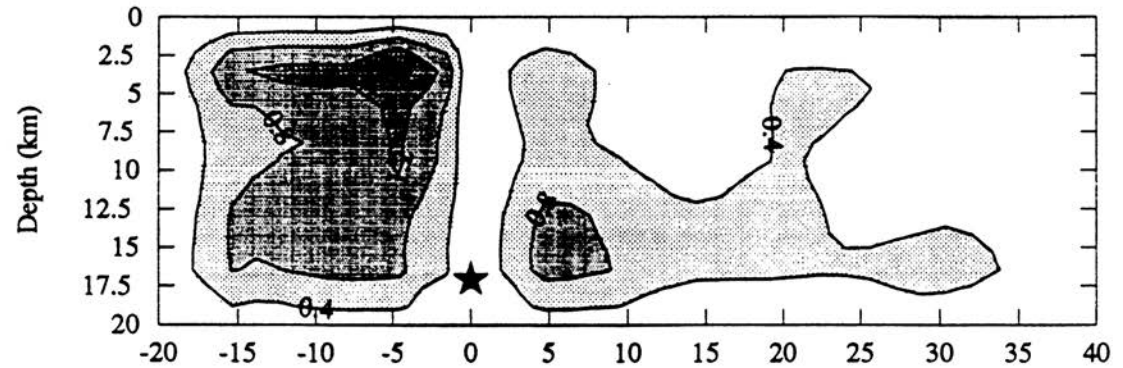


Surface vs. Buried Faulting

Landers (1992, Mw=7.2)



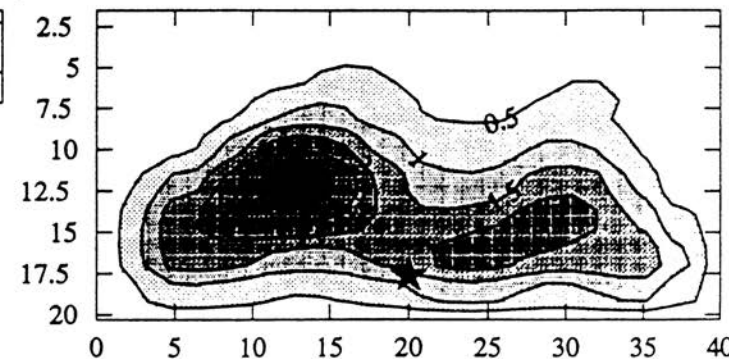
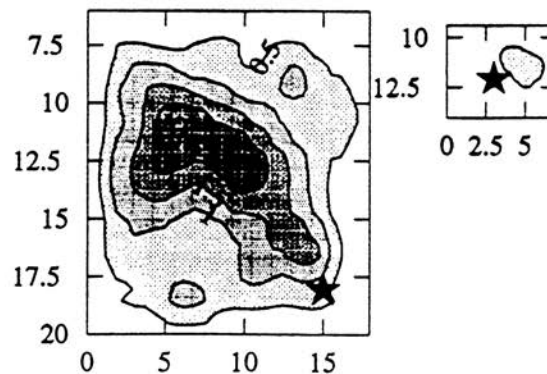
Hyogo-Ken Nanbu (Kobe, 1995, Mw=6.9)



Sierra Madre (1991, Mw=5.6)

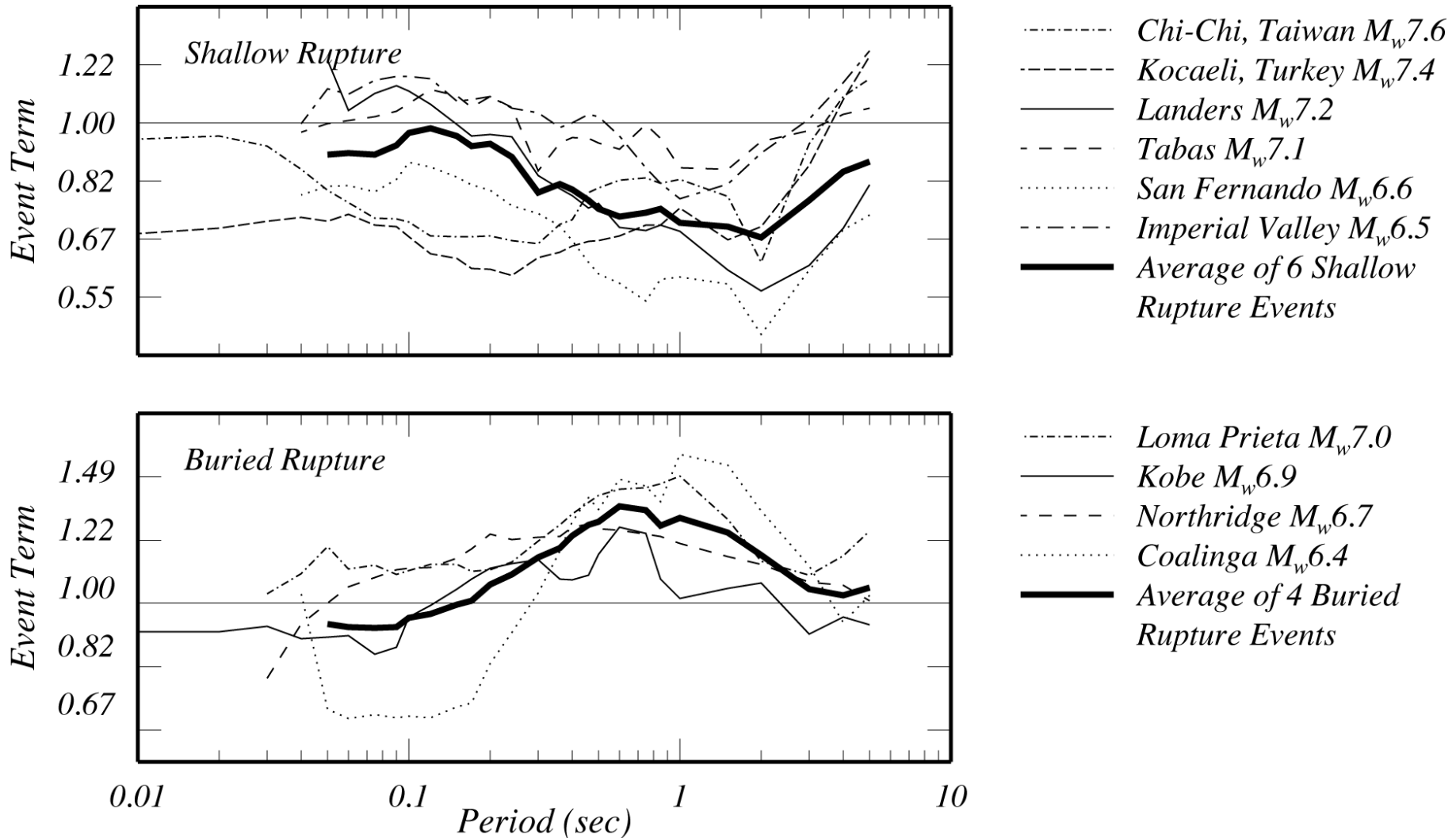
Loma Prieta (1989, Mw=6.9)

Northridge (1994, Mw=6.7)

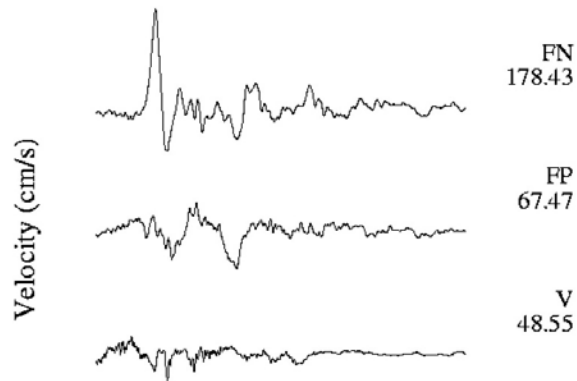
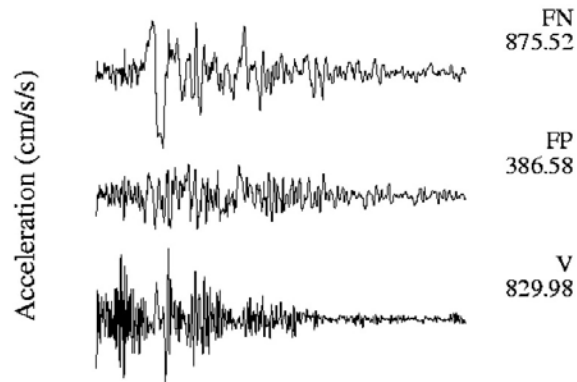


Wald

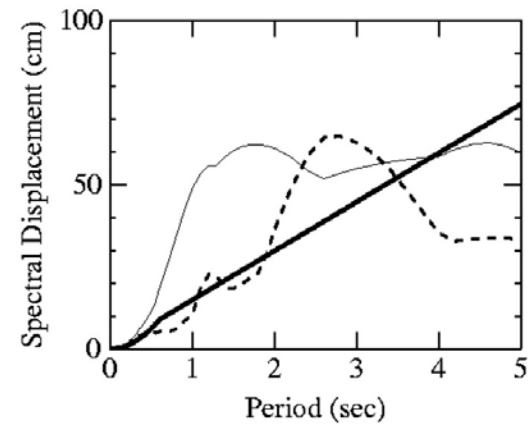
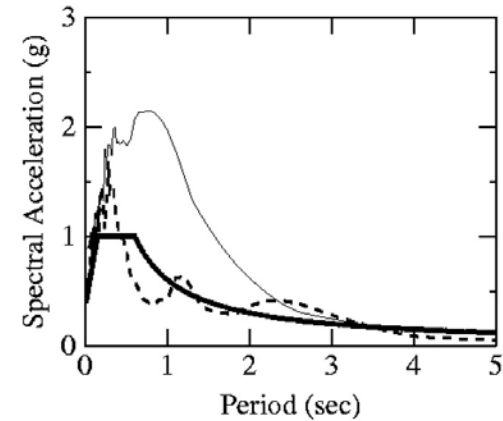
Surface vs. Buried Faulting Event Terms



Rupture Directivity, Rinaldi

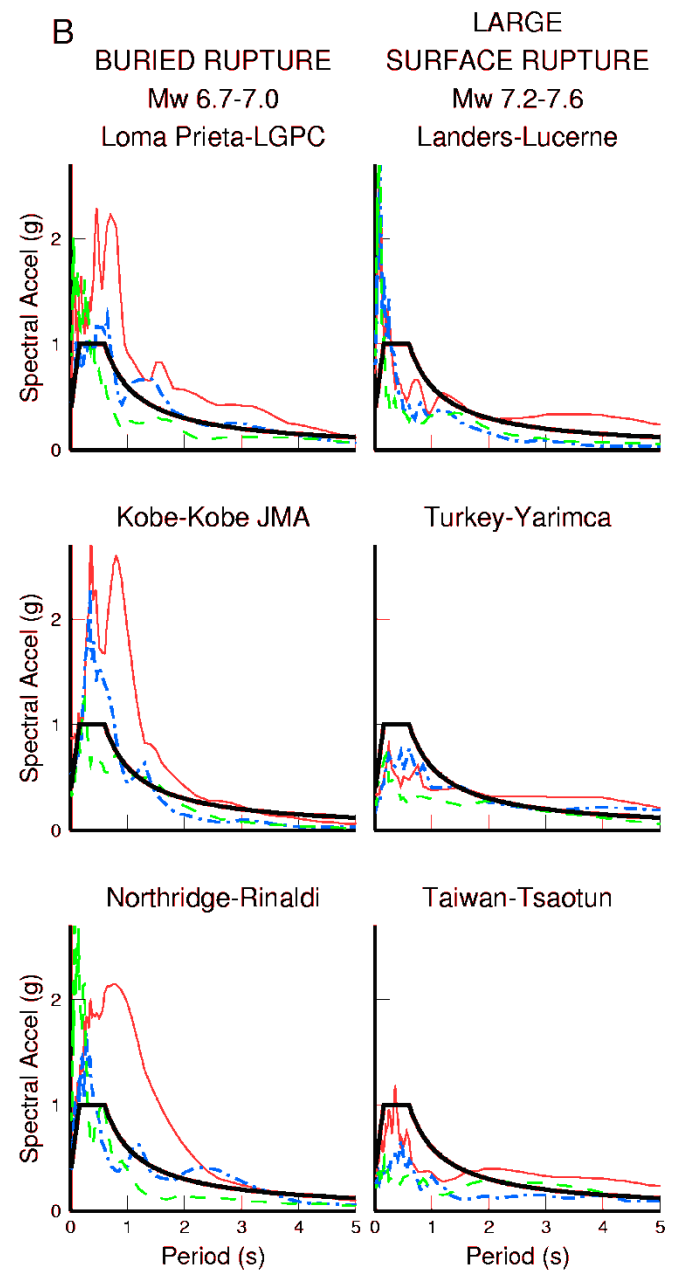
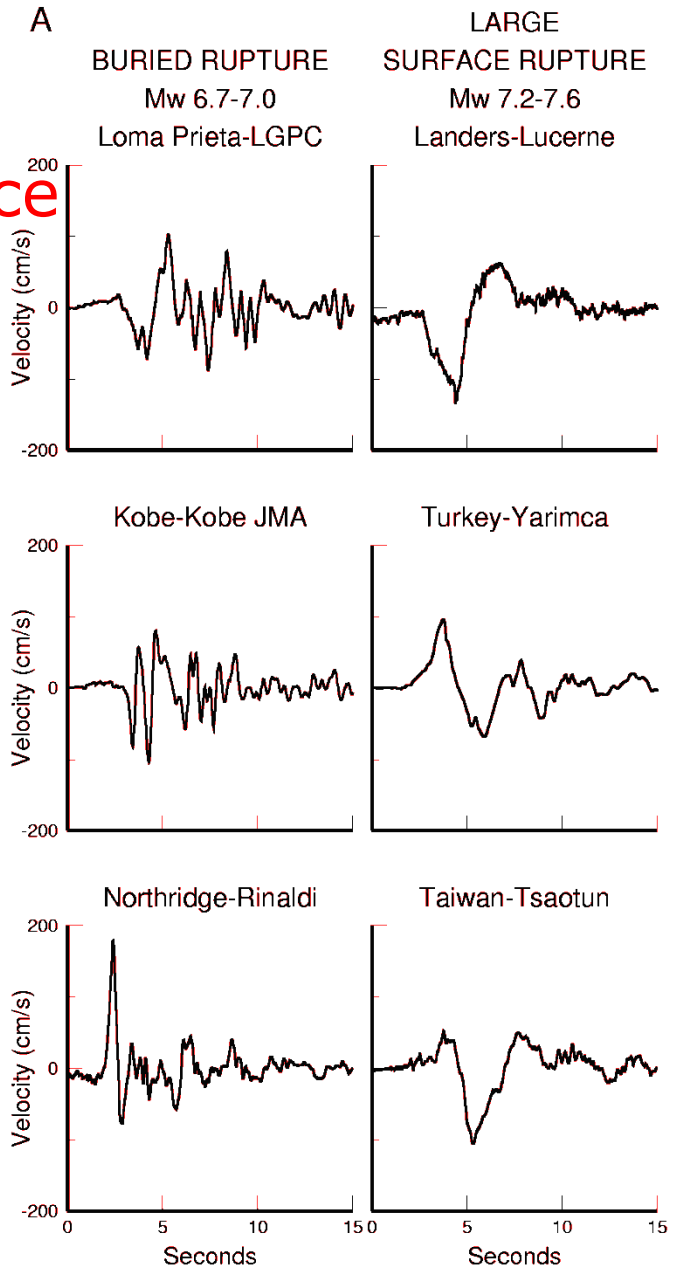


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— Fault Normal
- - - Fault Parallel
— UBC Soil

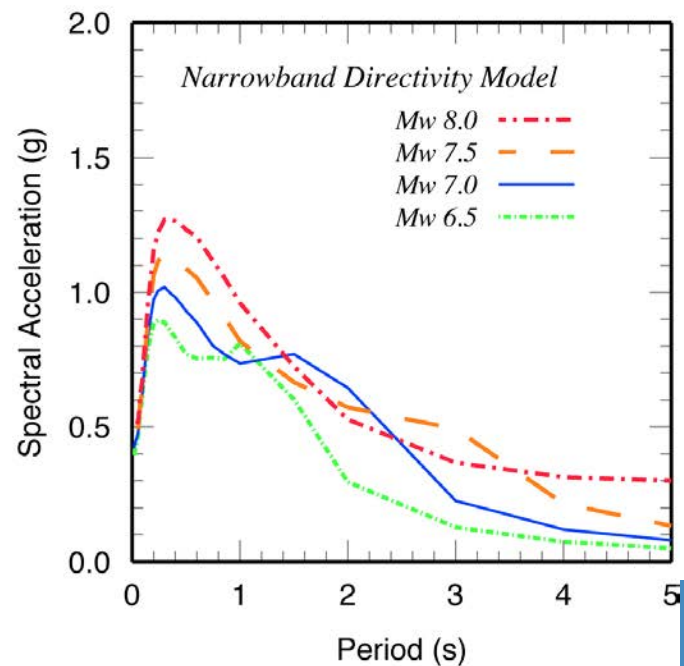
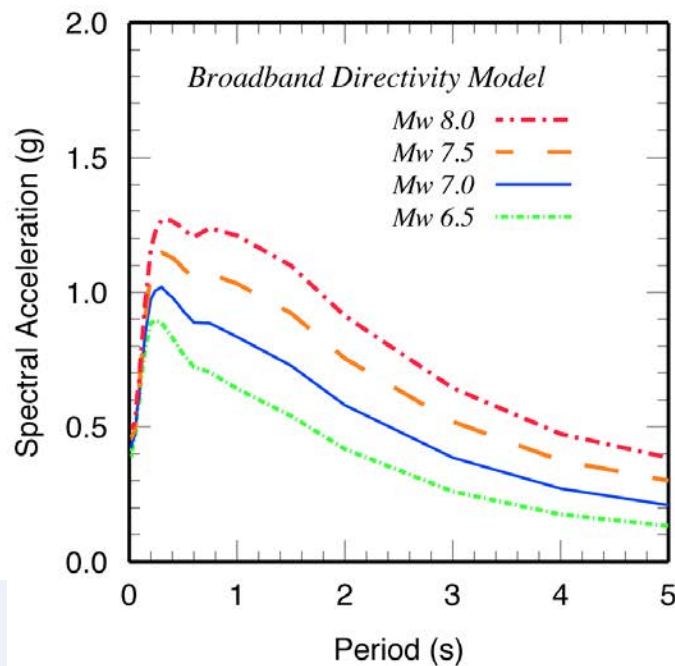
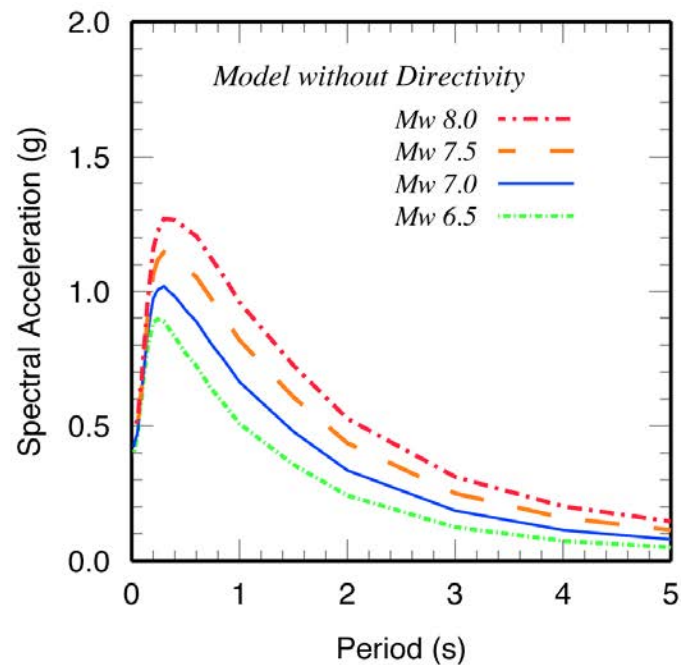
M < 7 vs M > 7; Buried vs Surface



— Fault Normal
- - - Fault Parallel
- - - Vertical
— UBC 1994



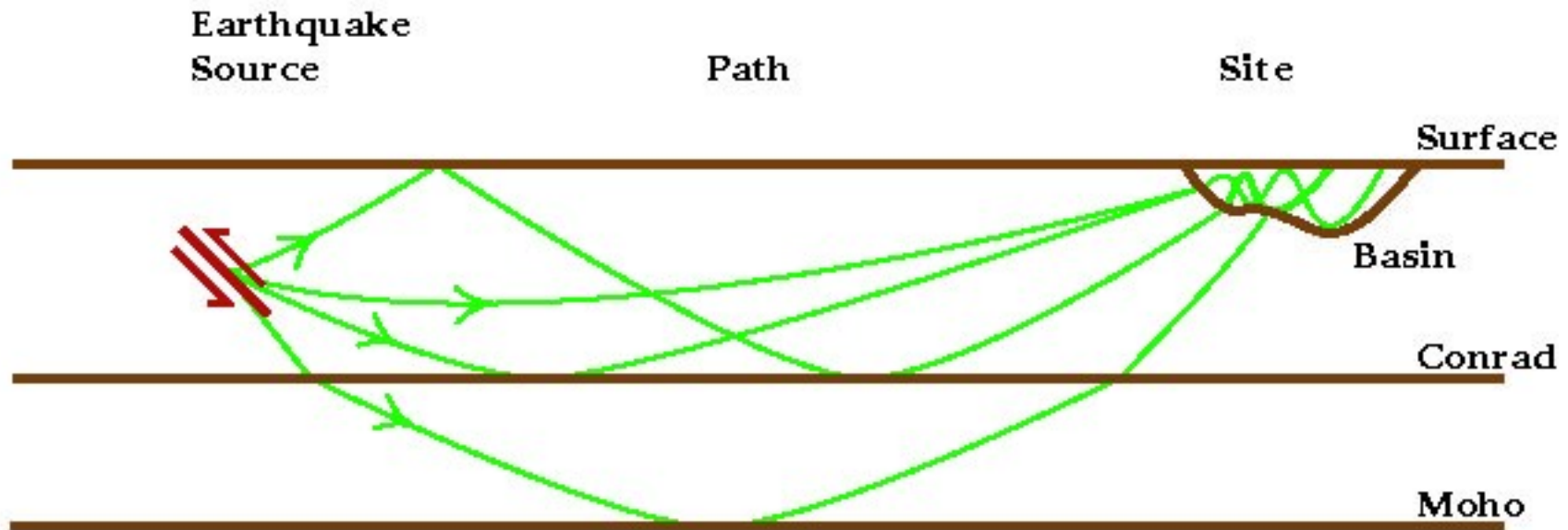
Broadband and Narrowband Directivity Models



Simulation of Ground Motion Effects

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Strong Ground Motion Modeling



Empirical:

Magnitude

Distance

Soil Category

Seismological:

*Shear
Dislocation*

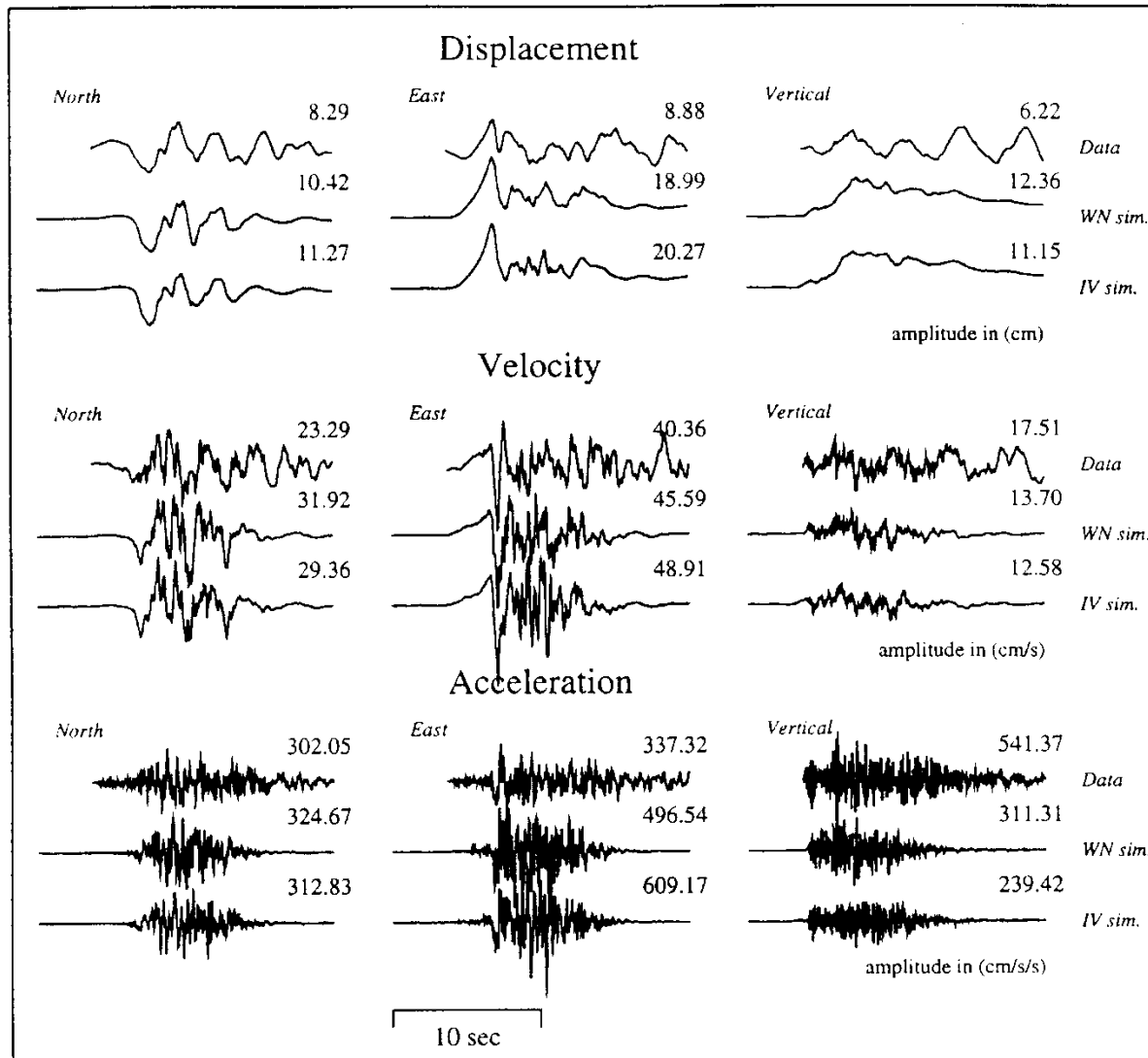
*Crustal
Waveguide*

*Complex 3D
Structure*

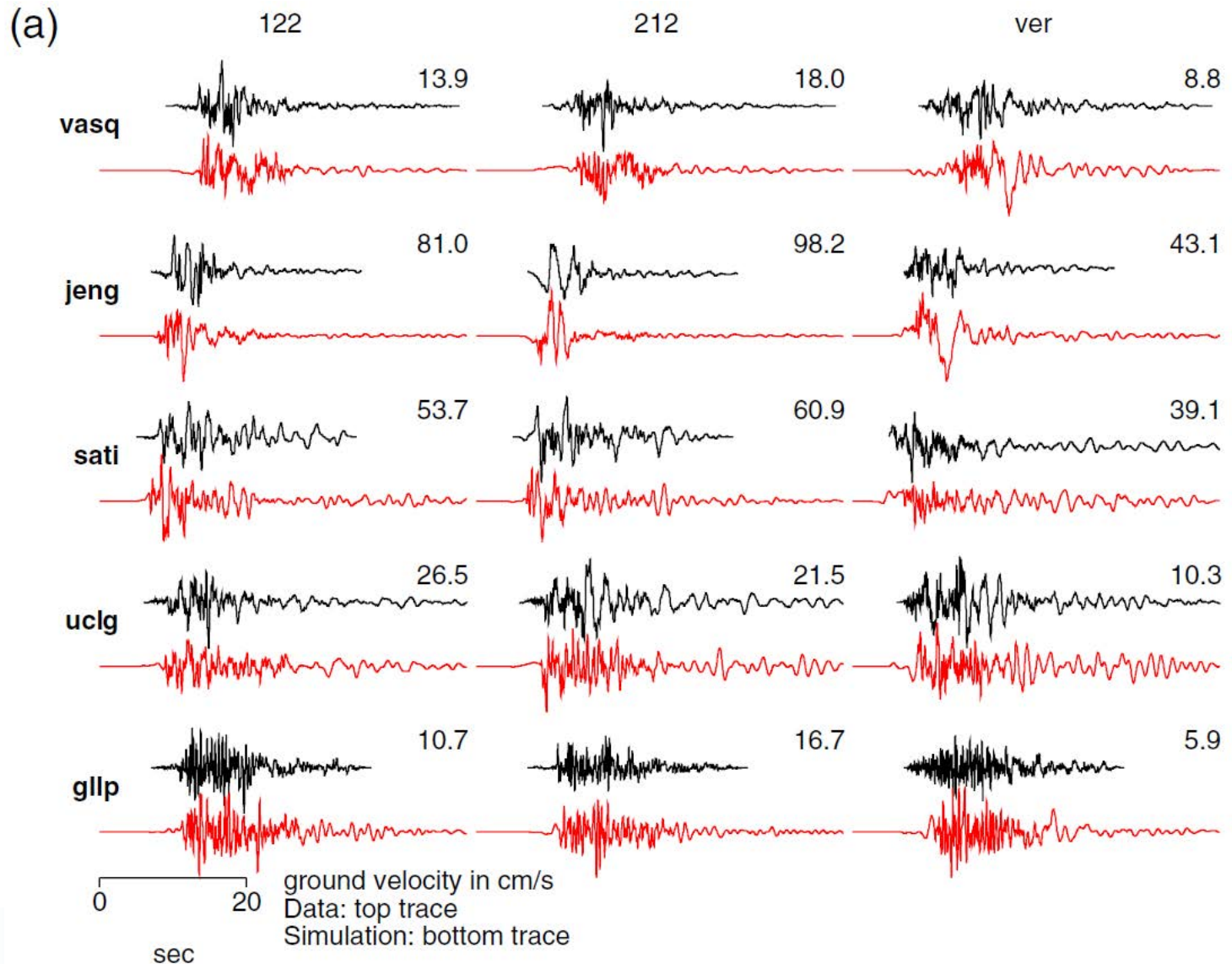
Elastodynamic Representation Theorem

- Ground motion $U(t)$ can be calculated from the convolution of the slip time function $D(t)$ on the fault with the Green's function $G(t)$ for the appropriate distance and depth, integrated over the fault rupture surface:
$$U(t) = \sum D(t) * G(t)$$
- Combine long period deterministic and short period stochastic simulations to generate broadband time history

1D Strong Motion Simulation, SAC Steel Project

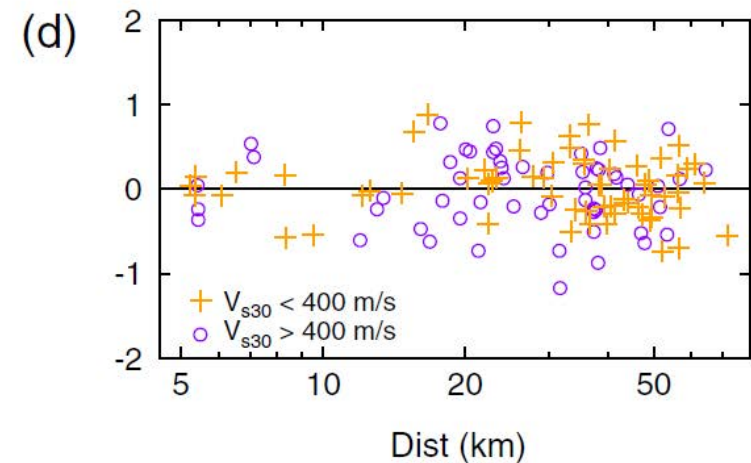
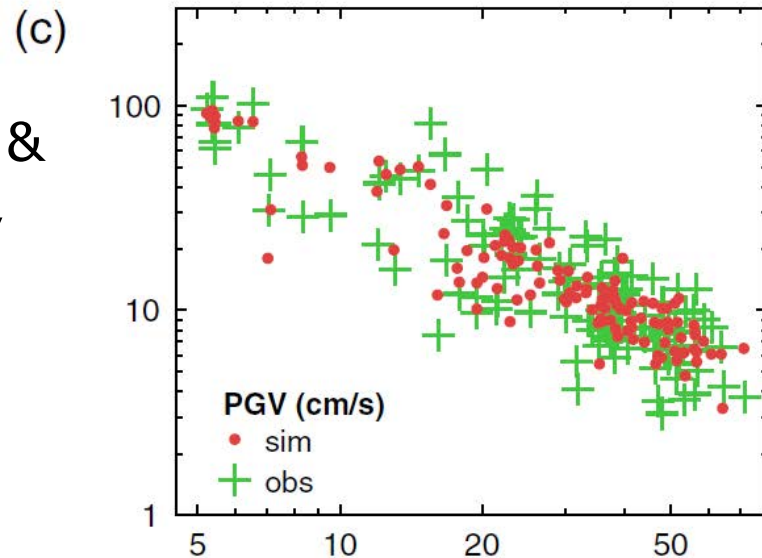
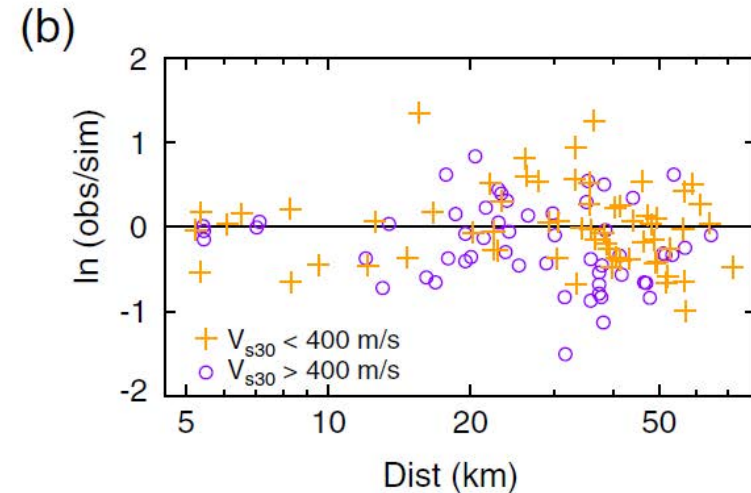
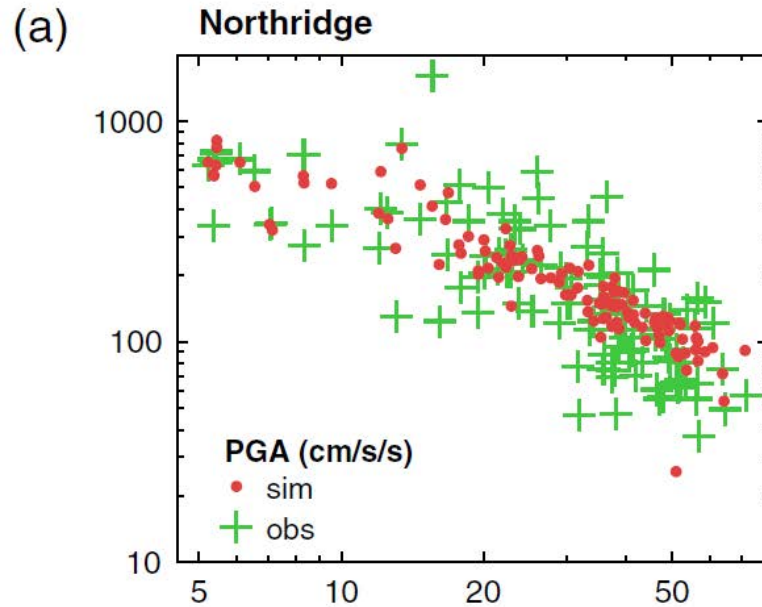


Validation of 3D Broadband Simulation



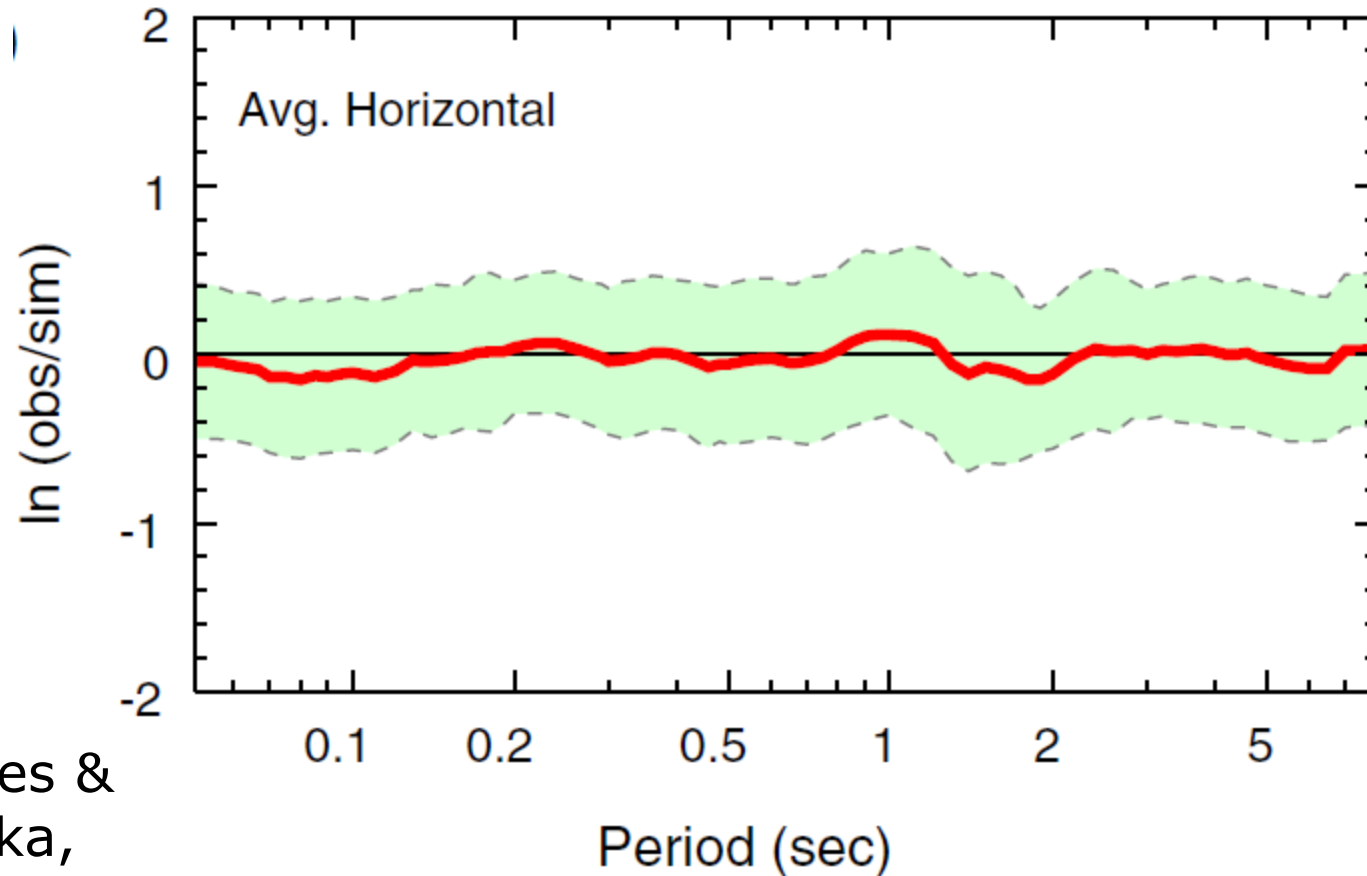
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Pitarka,
2010

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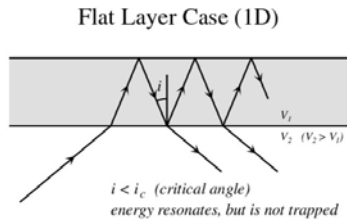
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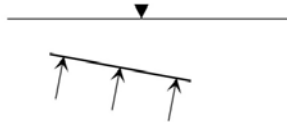


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Basin Wave Trapping Mechanism

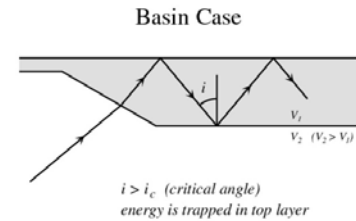
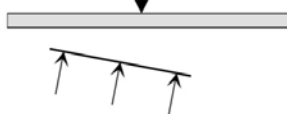
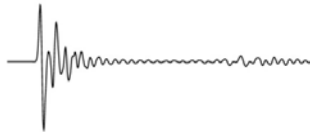


rock site (1D)

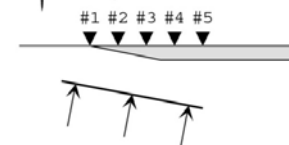
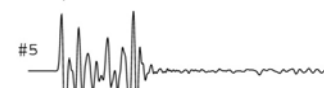


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soil site (1D)

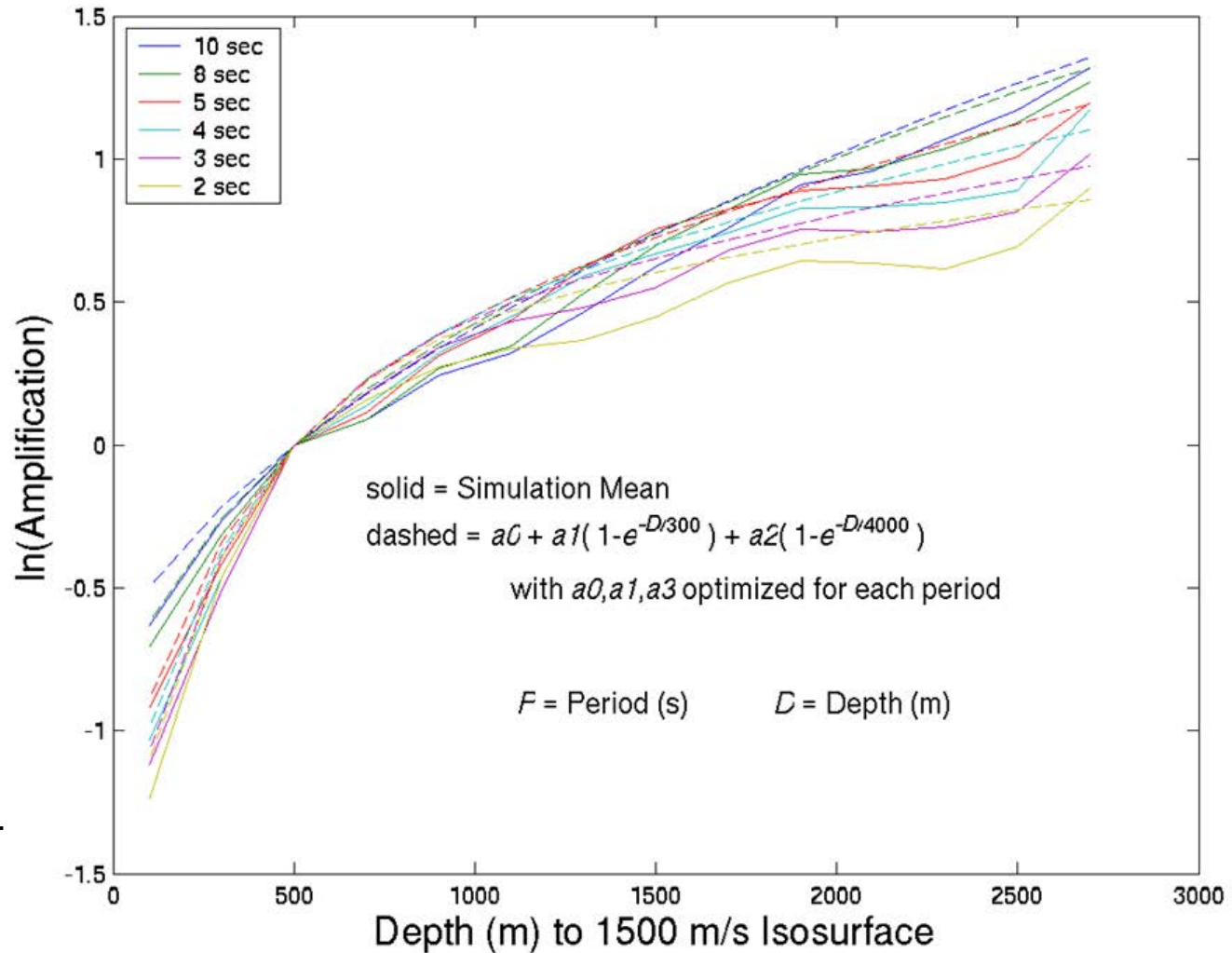


basin profile (2D)



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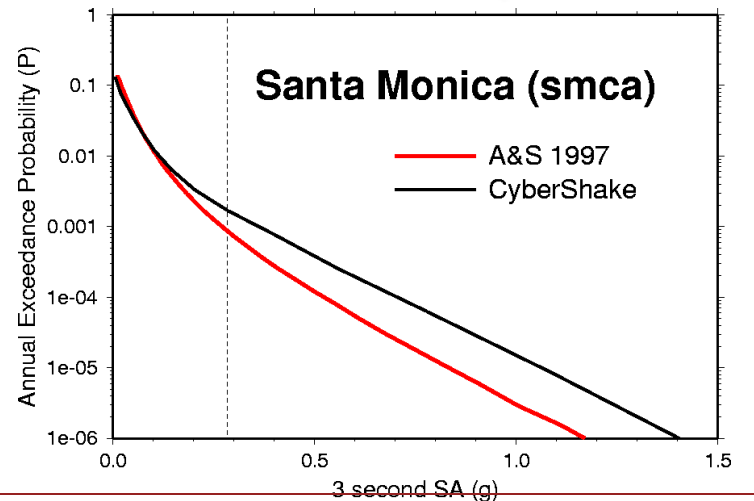
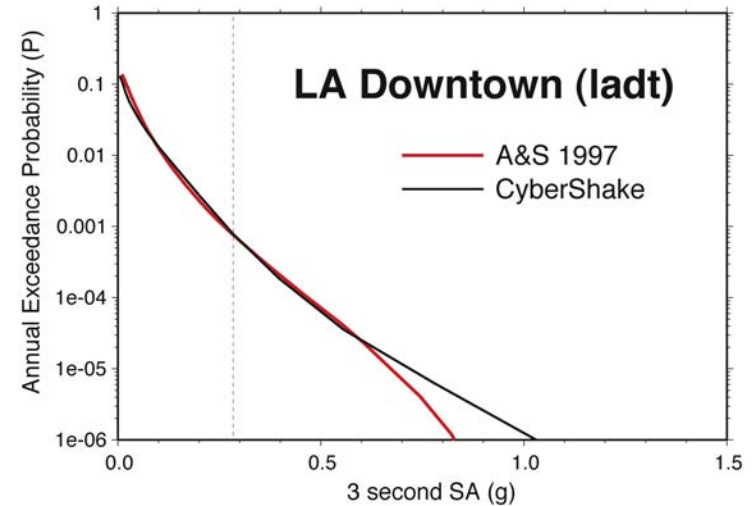
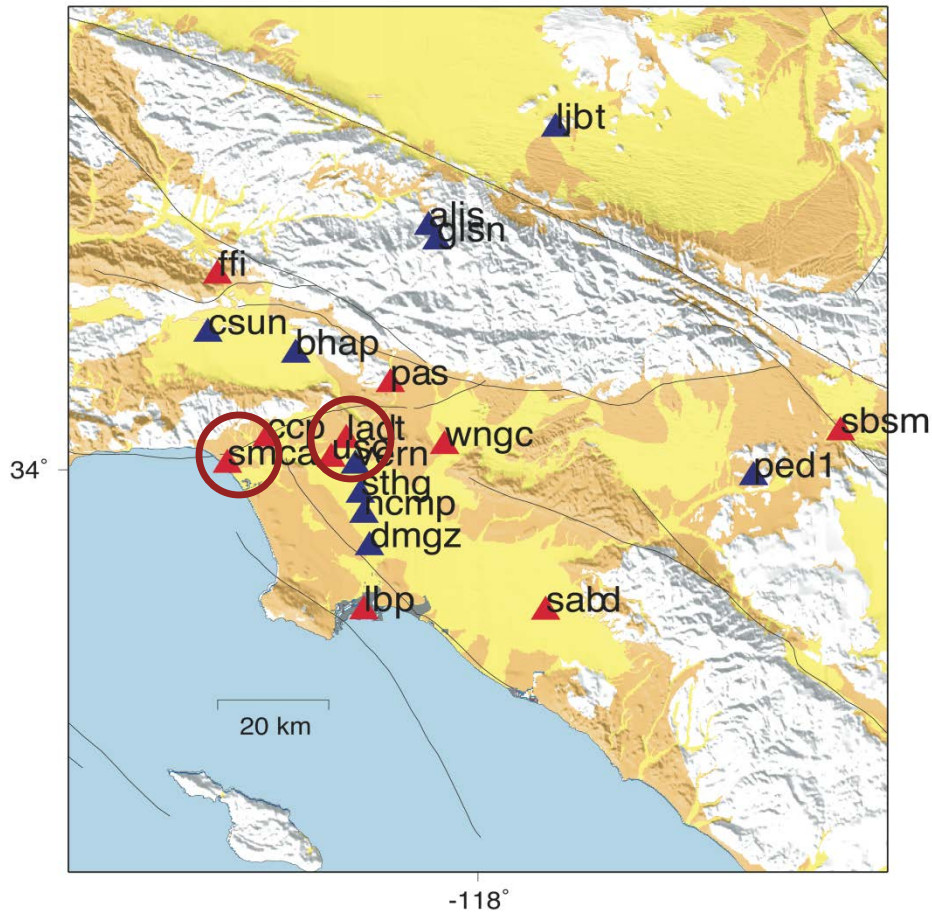
Basin Amplification



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NGA West 1

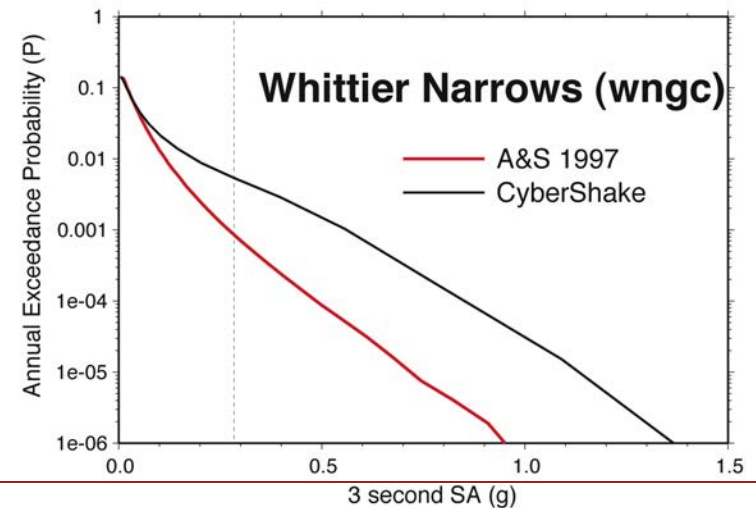
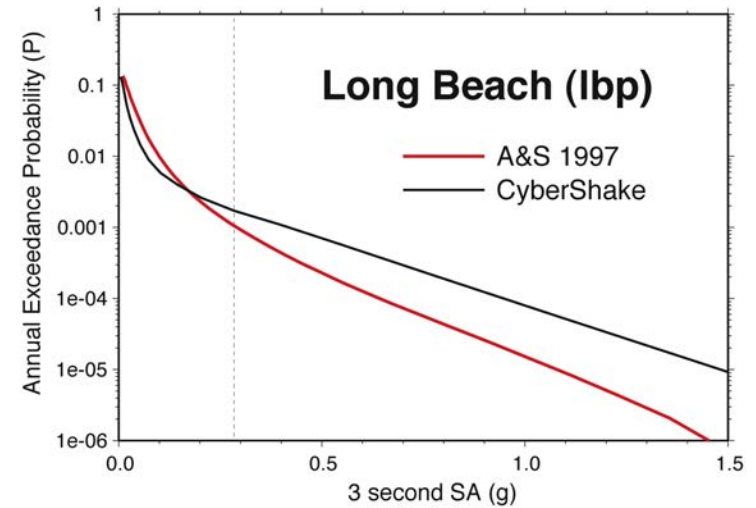
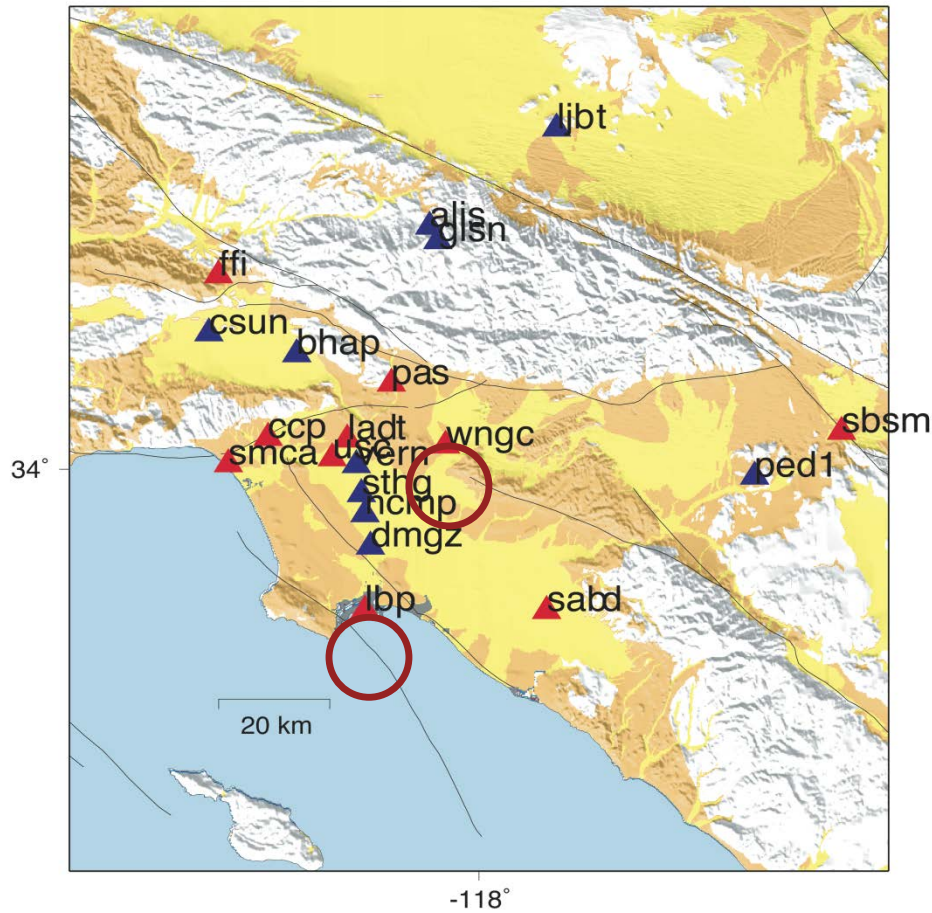


PSHA based on 3D simulations vs GMPE



Graves et al., SCEC Cybershake Platform

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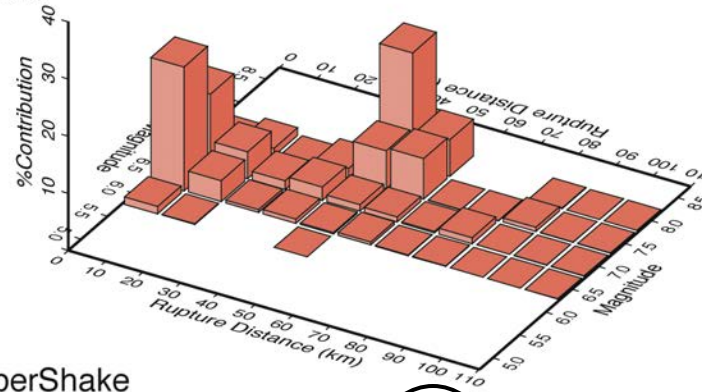


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Cybershake vs. GMPE: Hazard Disaggregation at Whittier

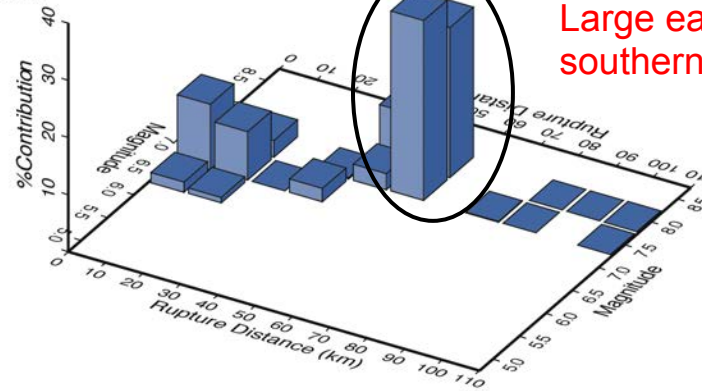
A&S 1997

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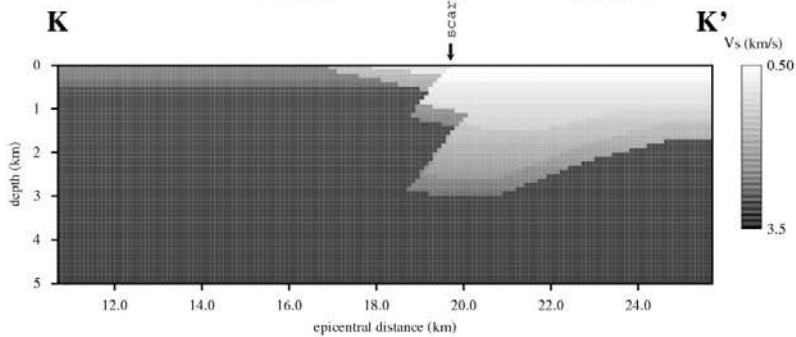
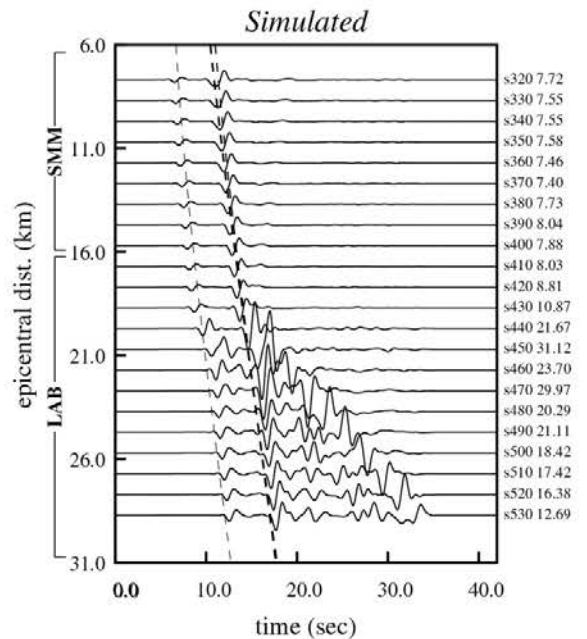
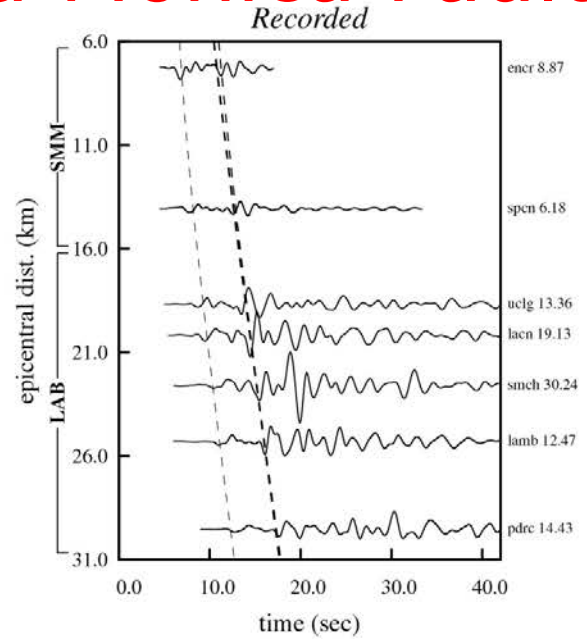
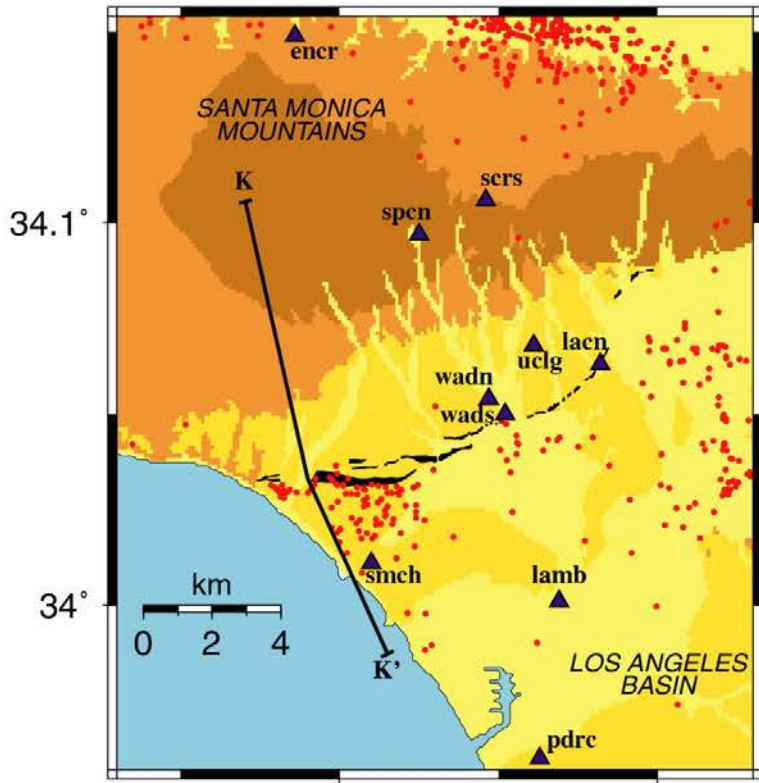
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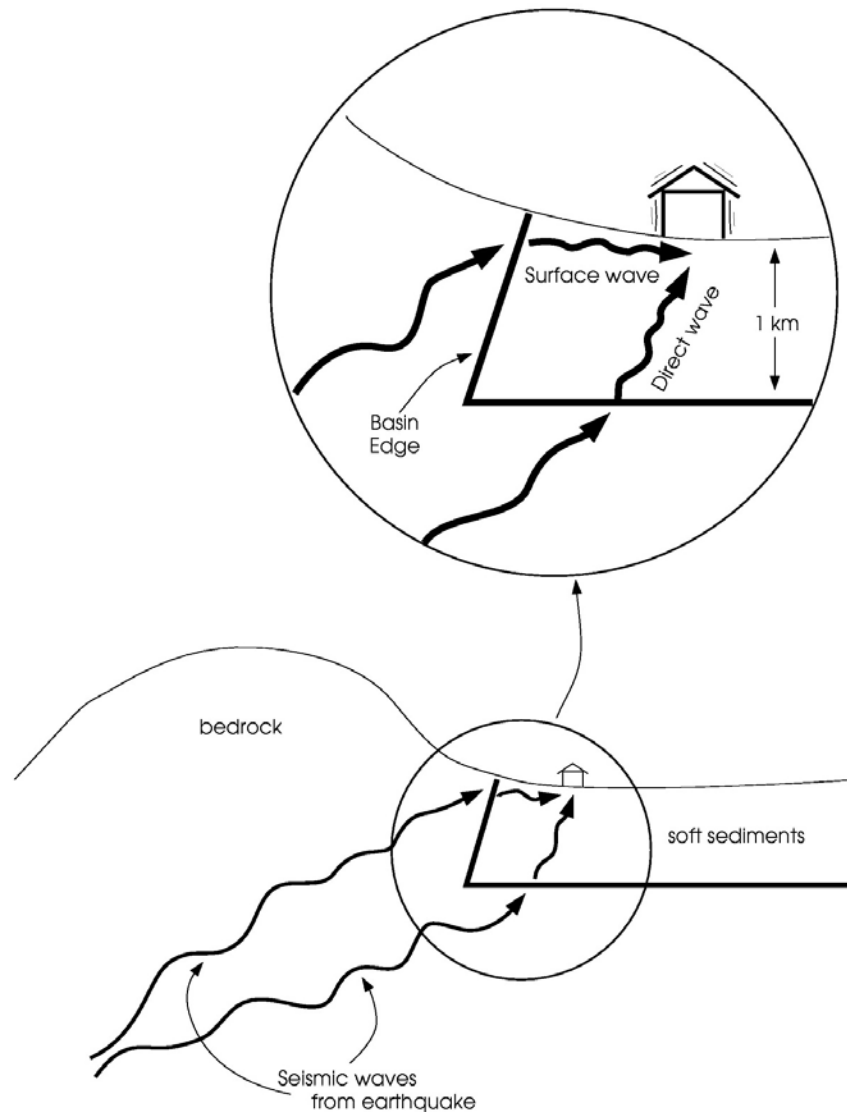
Large earthquakes on
southernmost SAF

Basin Edge Effects, Santa Monica Fault



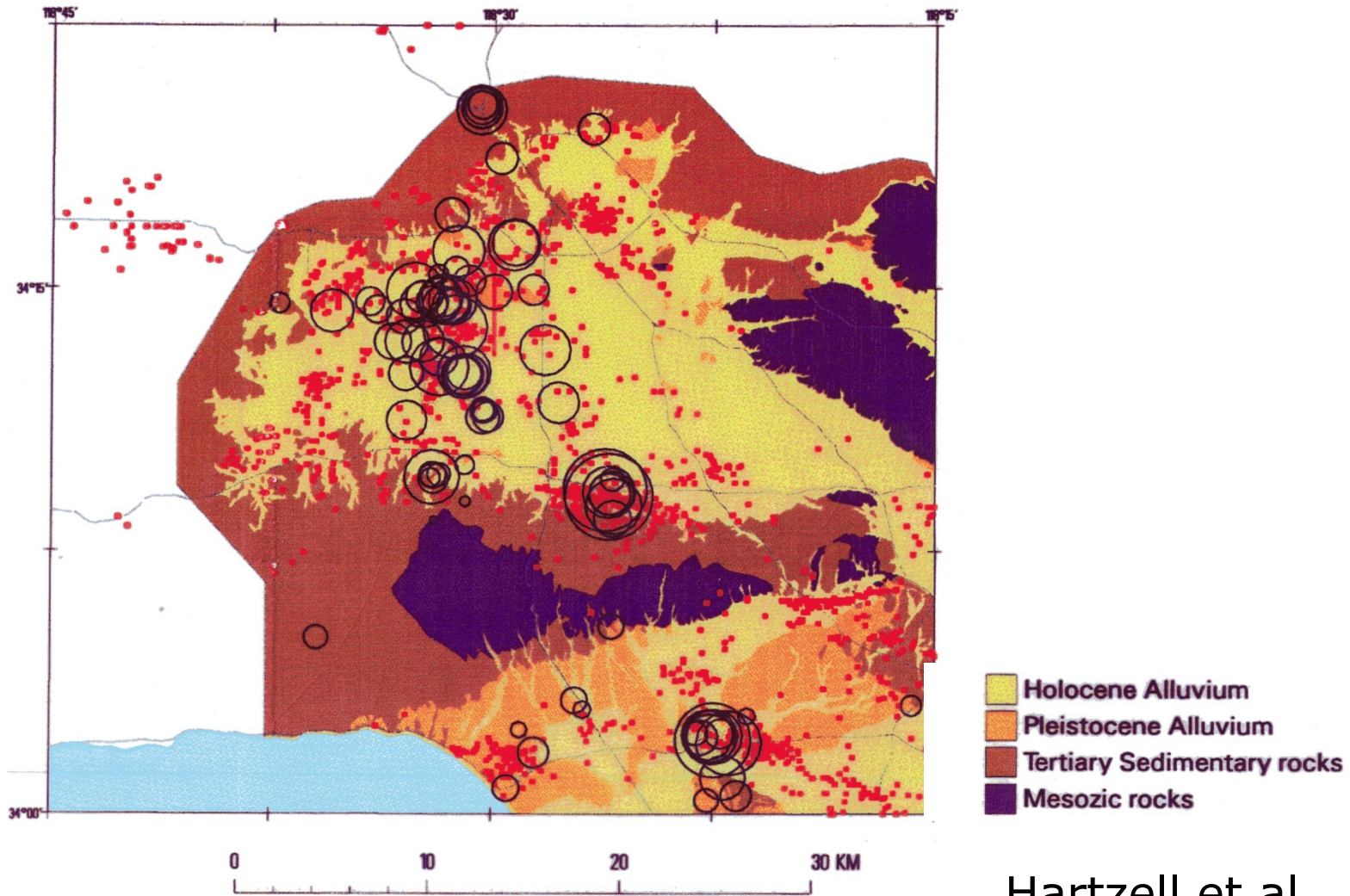
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Multipathing Effect at Basin Edge



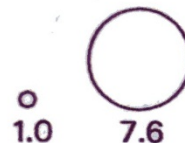
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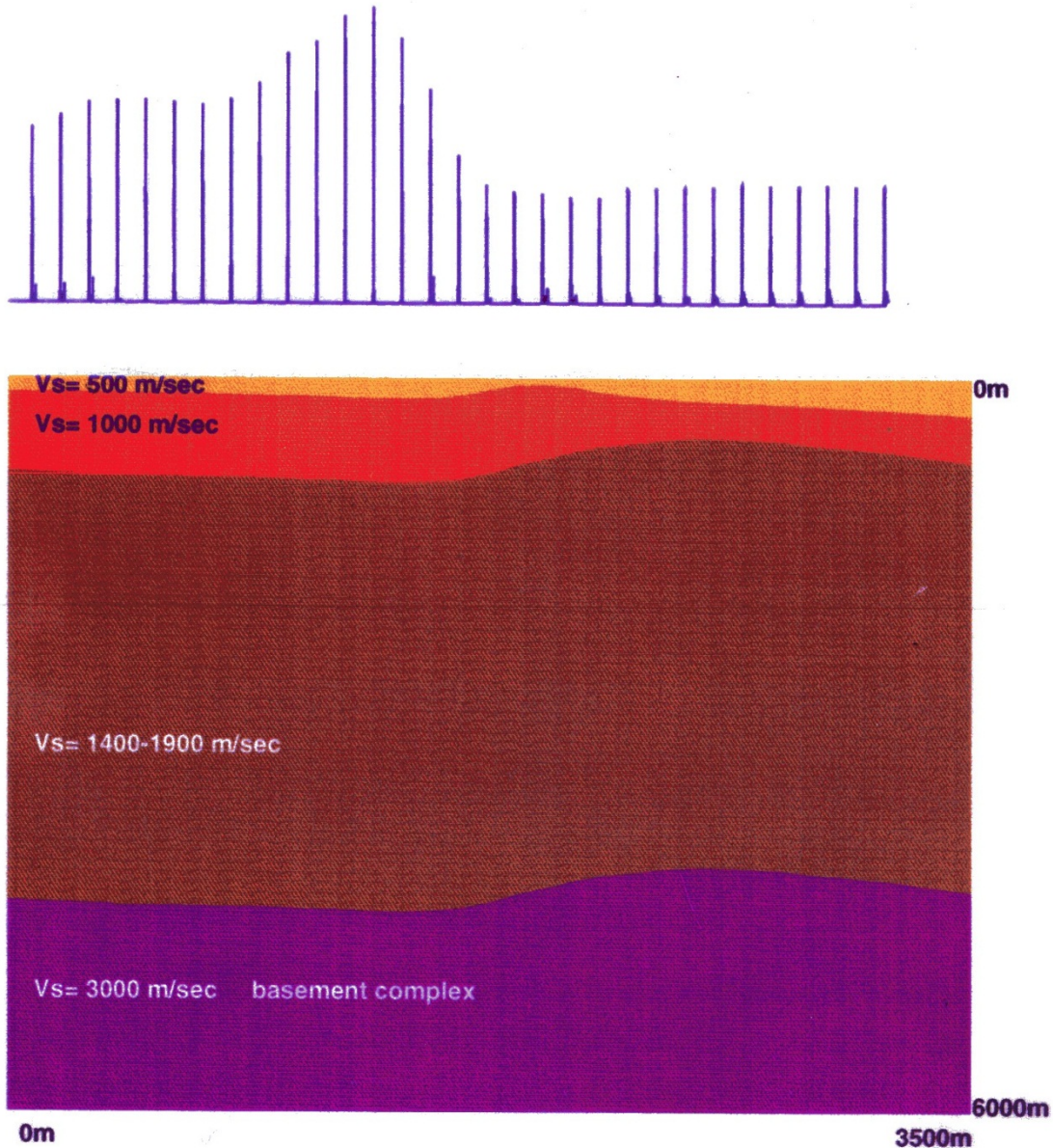


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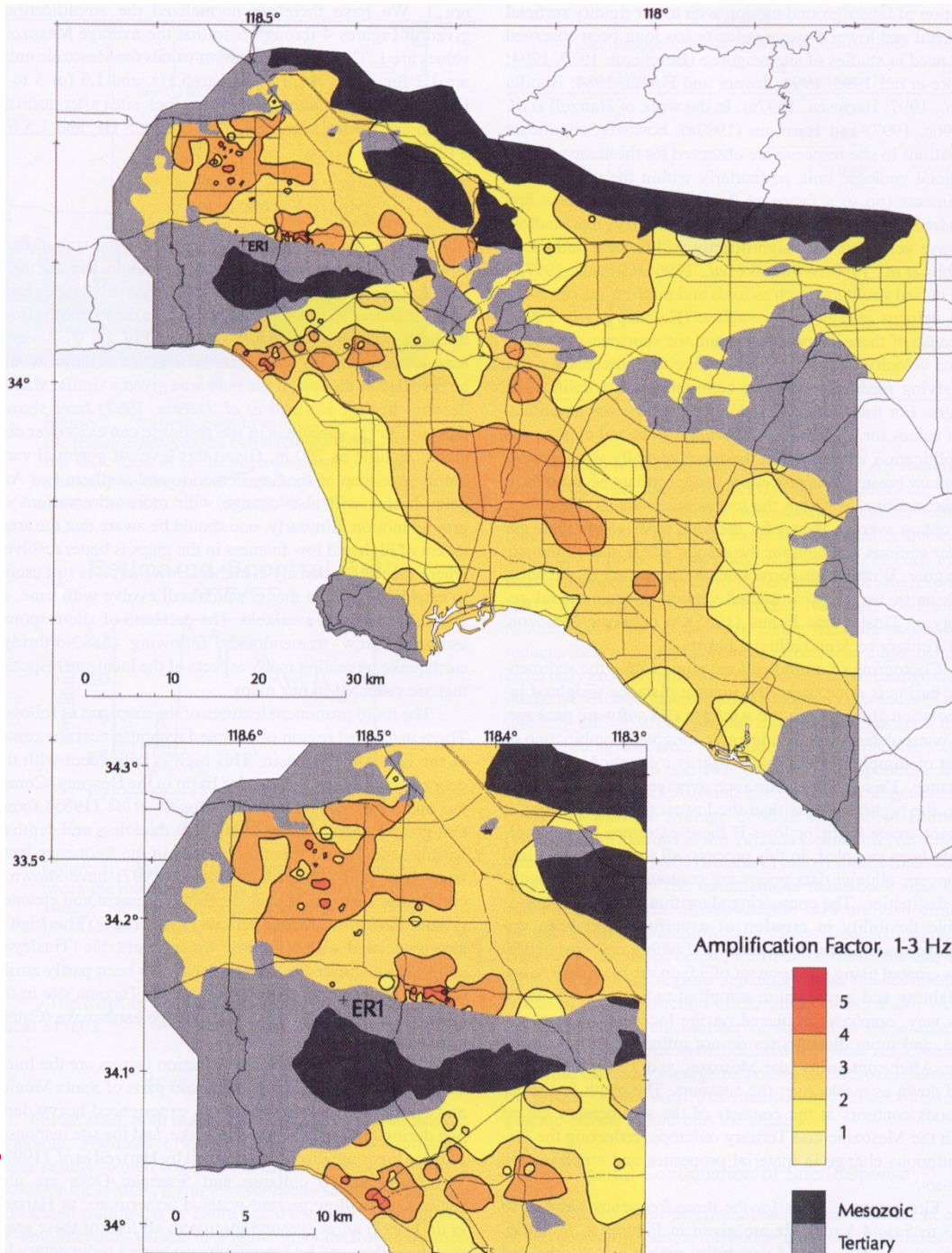


Focusing from Topography on Subsurface Rock



Frankel

Empirical Amplification



Hartzell et al.

Next Steps

- Ongoing improvement and validation of broadband simulations on the SCEC Broadband Platform:
 - http://scec.usc.edu/scecpedia/Broadband_Platform
 - Open for anyone to use
- Improved narrowband rupture directivity model based on simulations
- Improved hanging wall model based on simulations

Next Steps

- Understand the effects of non planar 3D structure on ground motion amplification through waveform modeling of recorded ground motions
- Compare simulated amplifications with measurements by USGS (Hartzell et al.)
- Special focus is needed on basin edges, especially fault-bounded basin edges

Next Steps

- Use ground motion simulations (Cybershake) to map probabilistic long period ground motions for the next revision of the National Seismic Hazard Maps (SCEC/USGS/C.B. Crouse)
- Exploit the capacity of simulations to provide ground motion time histories as well as response spectra in earthquake engineering research and practice