

# Site-Response Analysis

- When **not** to do it
- What approach to use for long period motions

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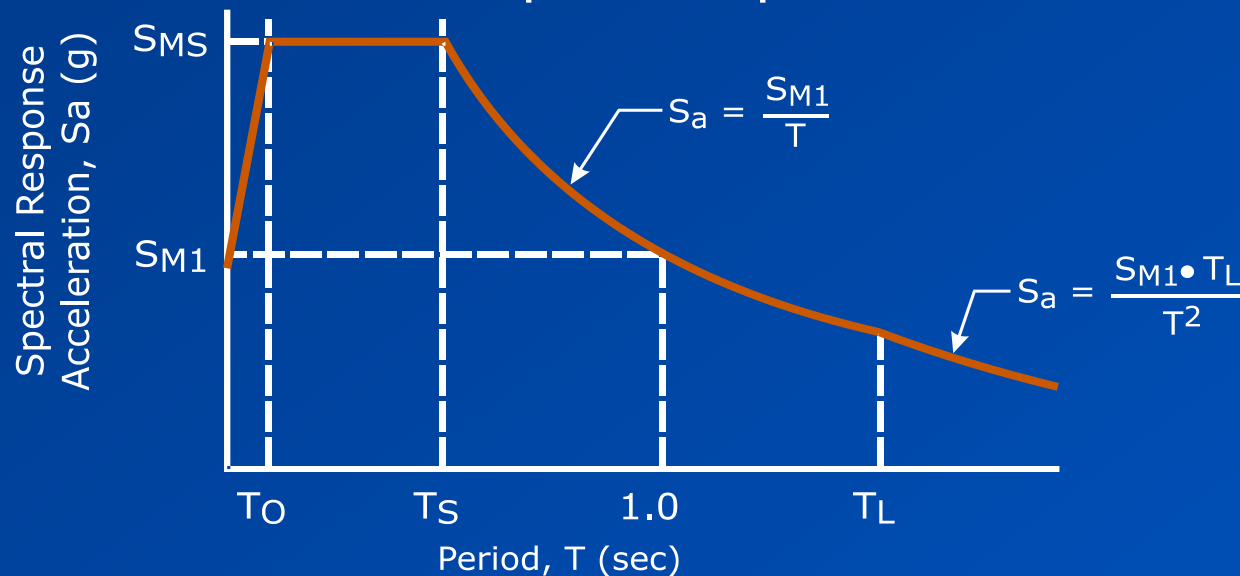
# Two Seismic Hazard Analysis (SHA) Approaches in ASCE 7-05

## 1. General Procedure – Ch. 11

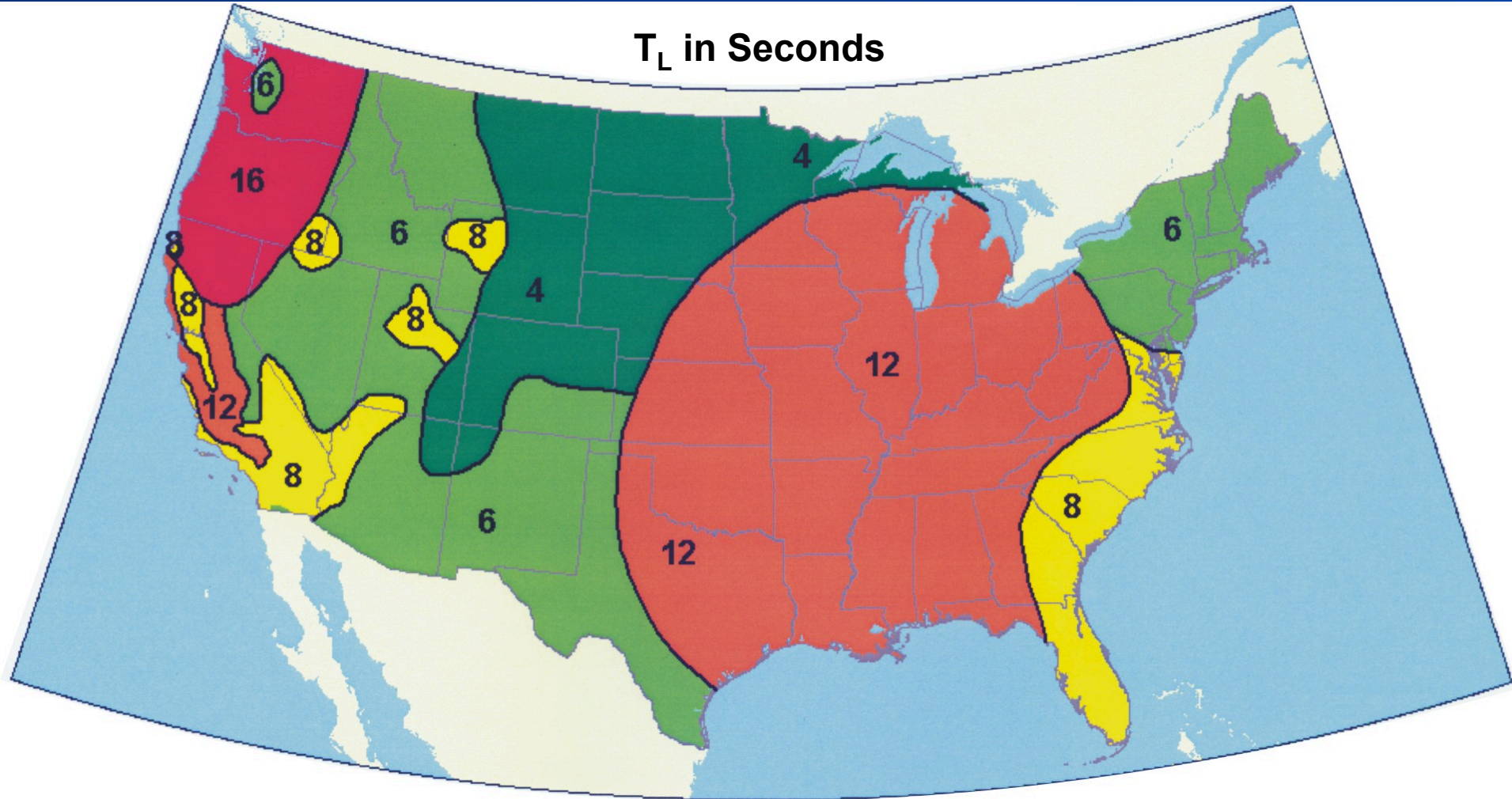
USGS MCE Maps & Site Coefficients

$S_S, S_1, T_L$        $F_a, F_v$

MCE Response Spectrum



# $T_L$ Map in ASCE 7



# Two SHA Approaches (cont.) – Ch. 21

## 2. Site-Specific

- Probabilistic (PSHA)
- Deterministic (DSHA)

Preferred or Required for Important/Critical Structures

# Site Response Analysis (SRA) – Ch. 21

Site-Specific Ground Motion

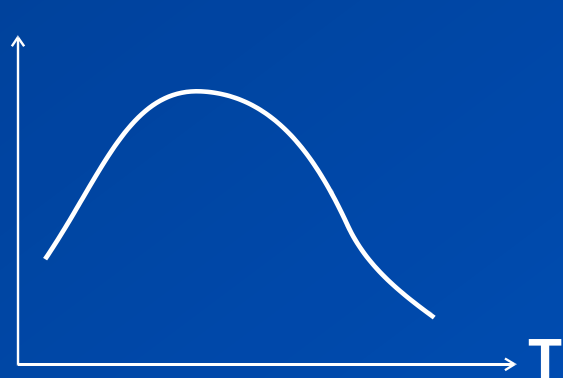
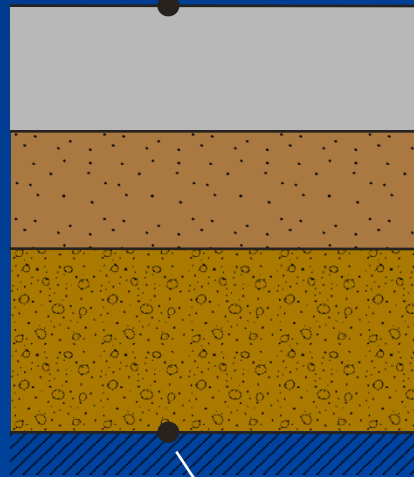
SRA

PSHA/DSHA

and/or

$S_a$

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# When **not** to do SRA

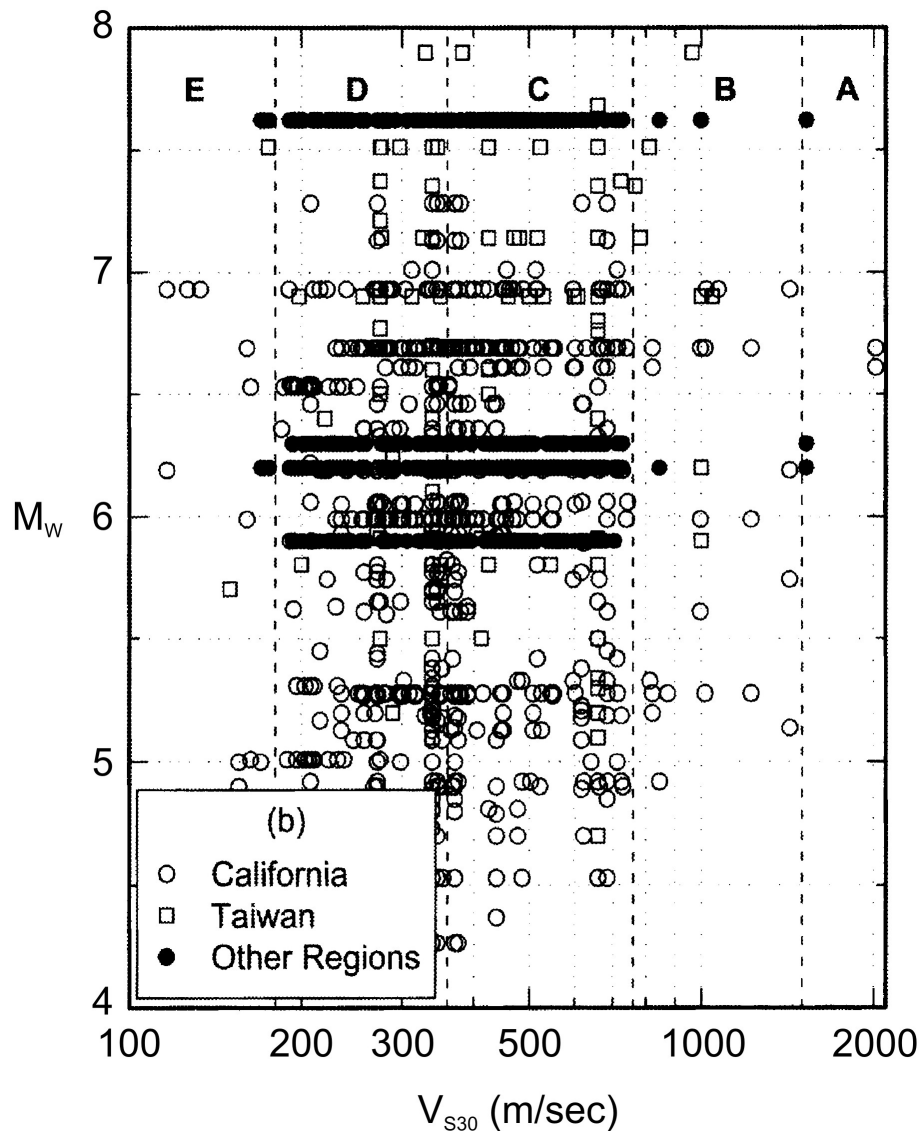
- Stiff soil sites  
i.e. Site Class C & D per ASCE 7

# Recommendation

- Use  $F_a$  &  $F_v$  Site Coefficients in ASCE 7
- Use site term ( $V_{S30}$ ) in GMPEs → PSHA/DSHA  
 $V_{S30}$  = ave. shear-wave velocity in upper 30m  
(Direct Approach)



# NGA Database – Chou & Youngs



## Site Categories

A - Hard Rock

B - Rock

C - V. Stiff Soil

D - M. Stiff Soil

E - Soft Soil



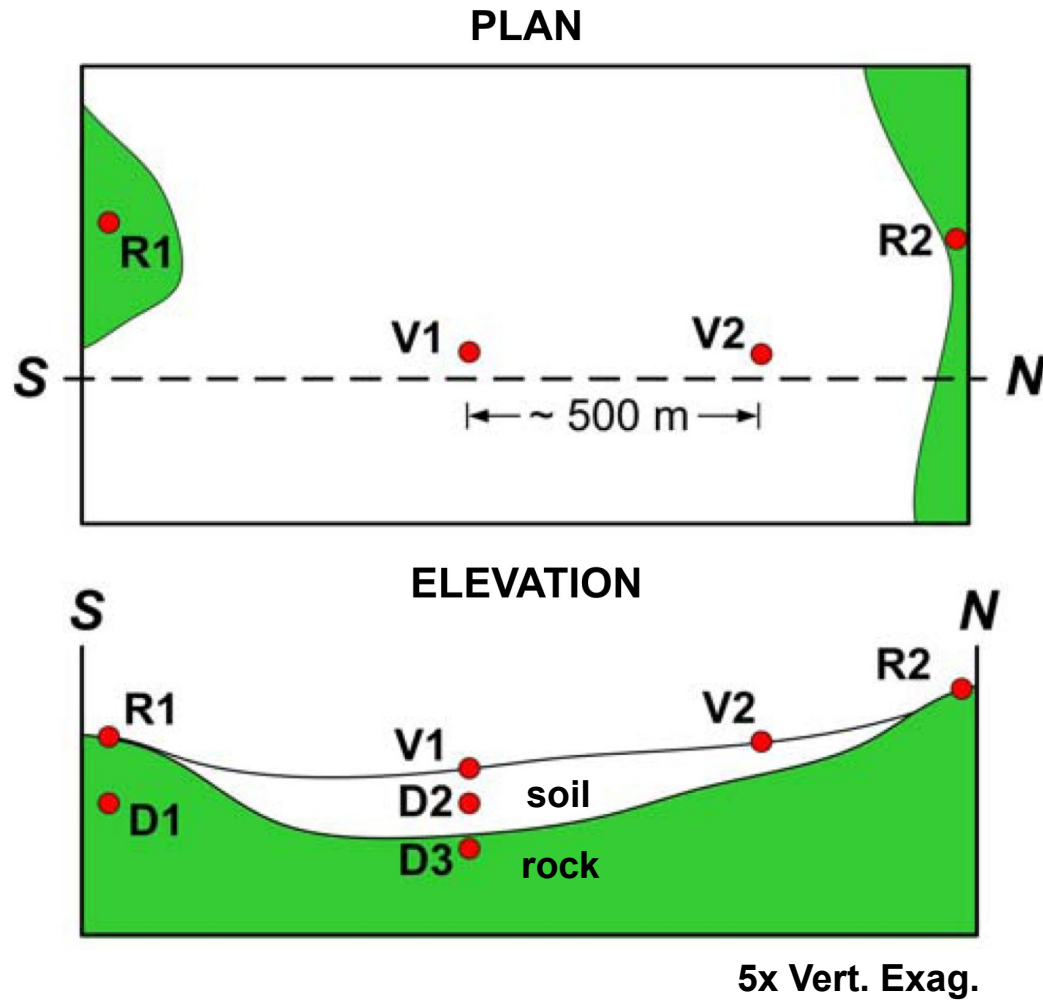
# Turkey Flats Blind Prediction Experiment

**California Geological Survey**

**Objective**

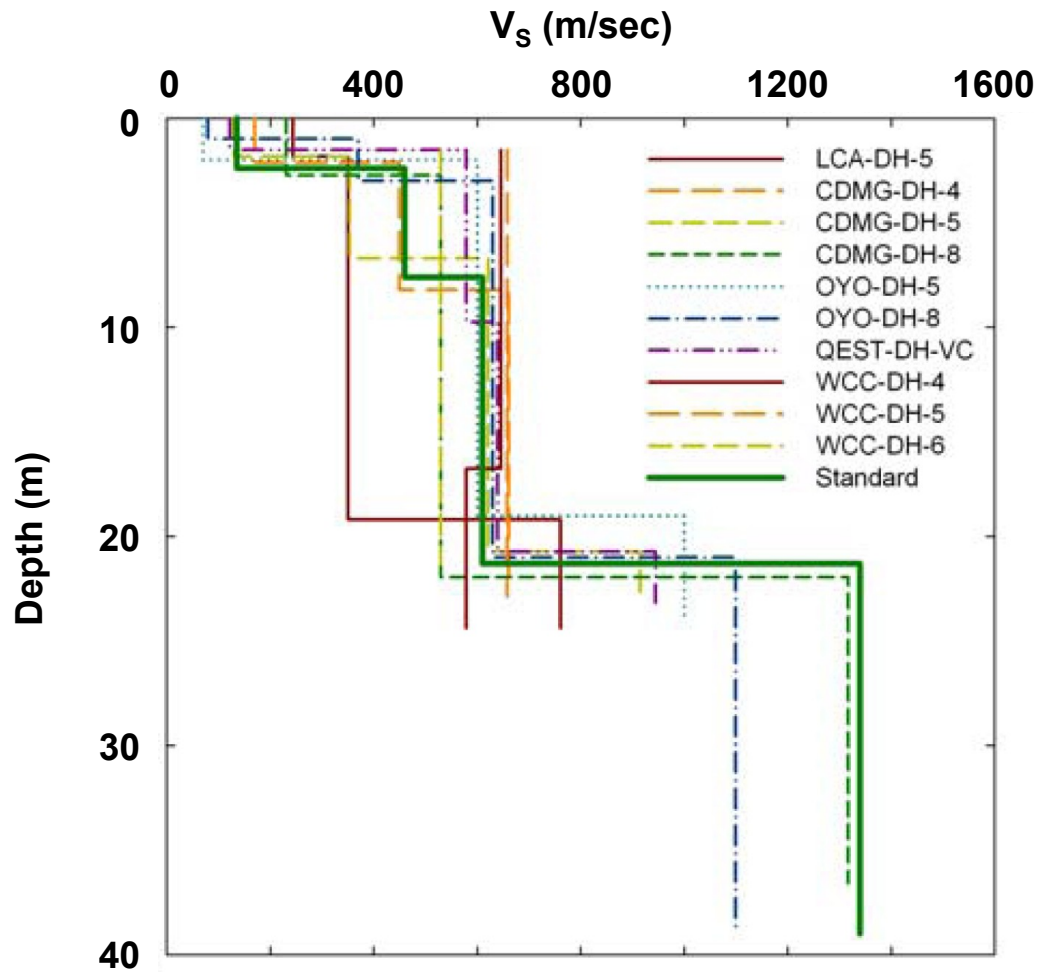
**Predict soil motions given  
rock motions recorded during  
2004 M6 Parkfield, CA EQ**

# Turkey Flats SM Instrumentation



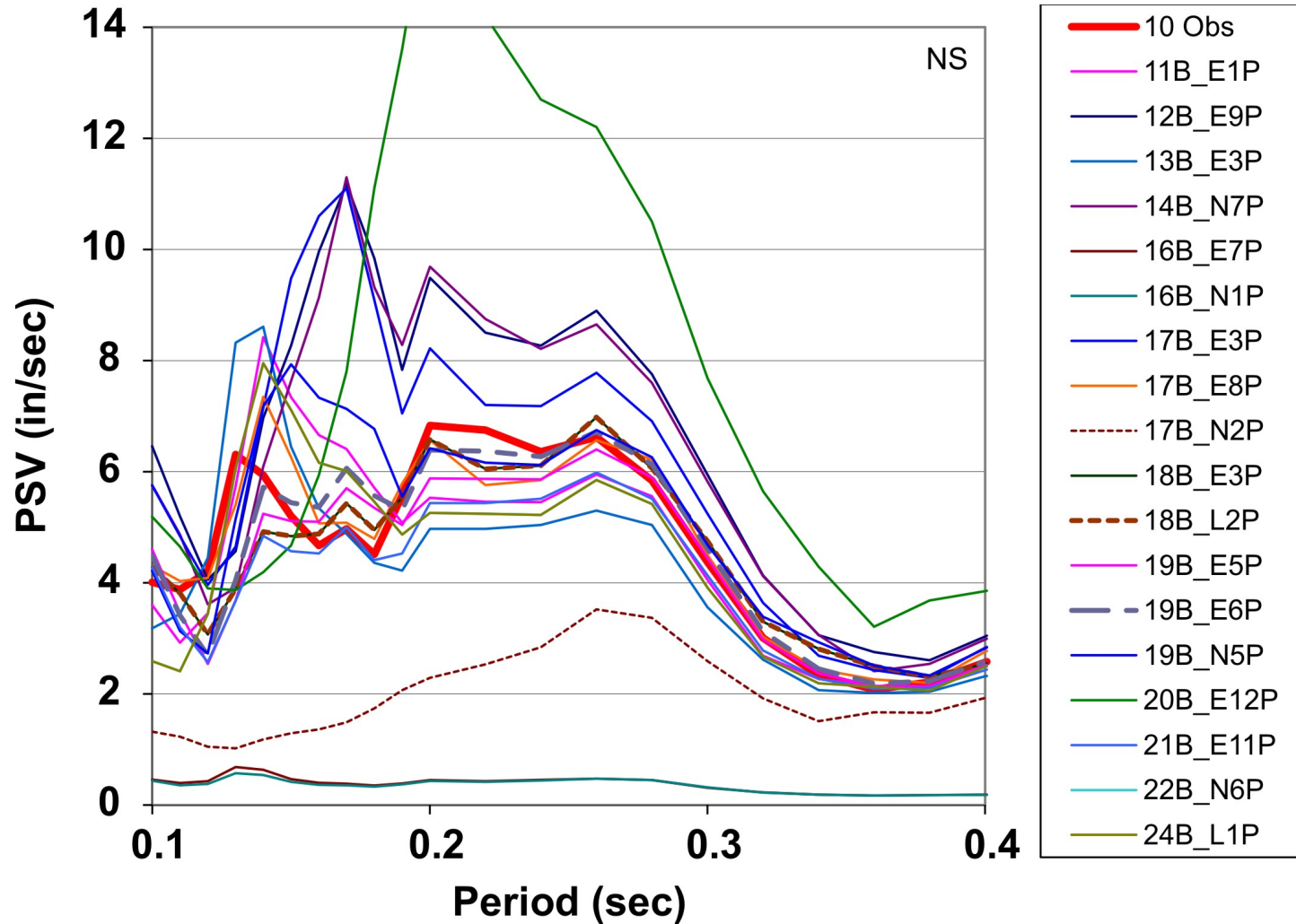
Kramer (2009)

# V<sub>s</sub> Survey at V1 Station

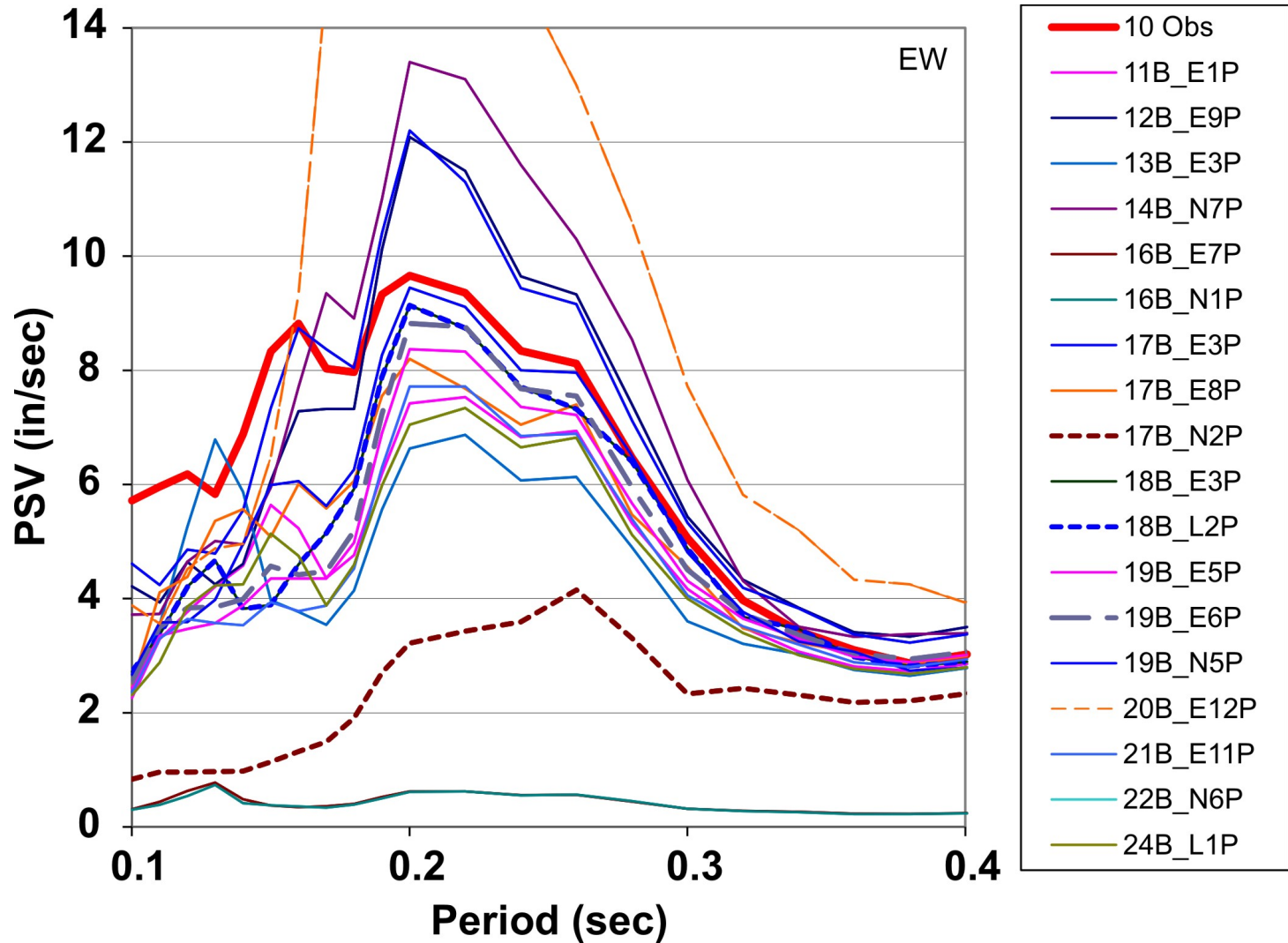


Kramer (2009)

# Predicted NS Response Spectra at V1



# Predicted EW Response Spectra at V1



# Approach for Computing Long Period $S_a$

**Use 3-D Numerical Models**

**Application: Urban Areas**

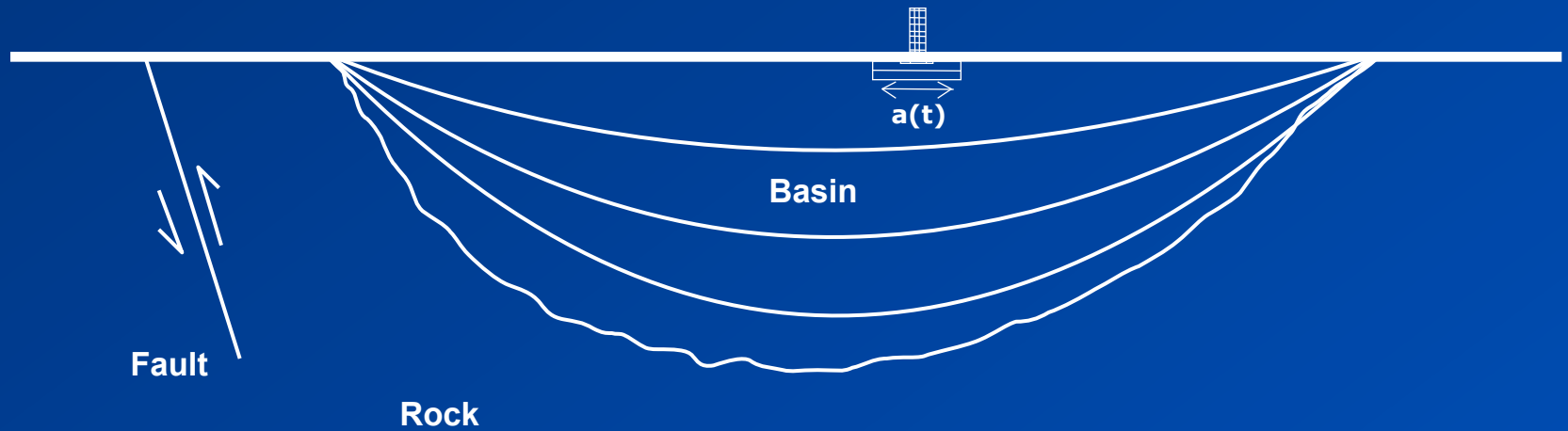
**End Product**

**Long Period  $S_a$  Maps**



**Next Generation Seismic Codes**

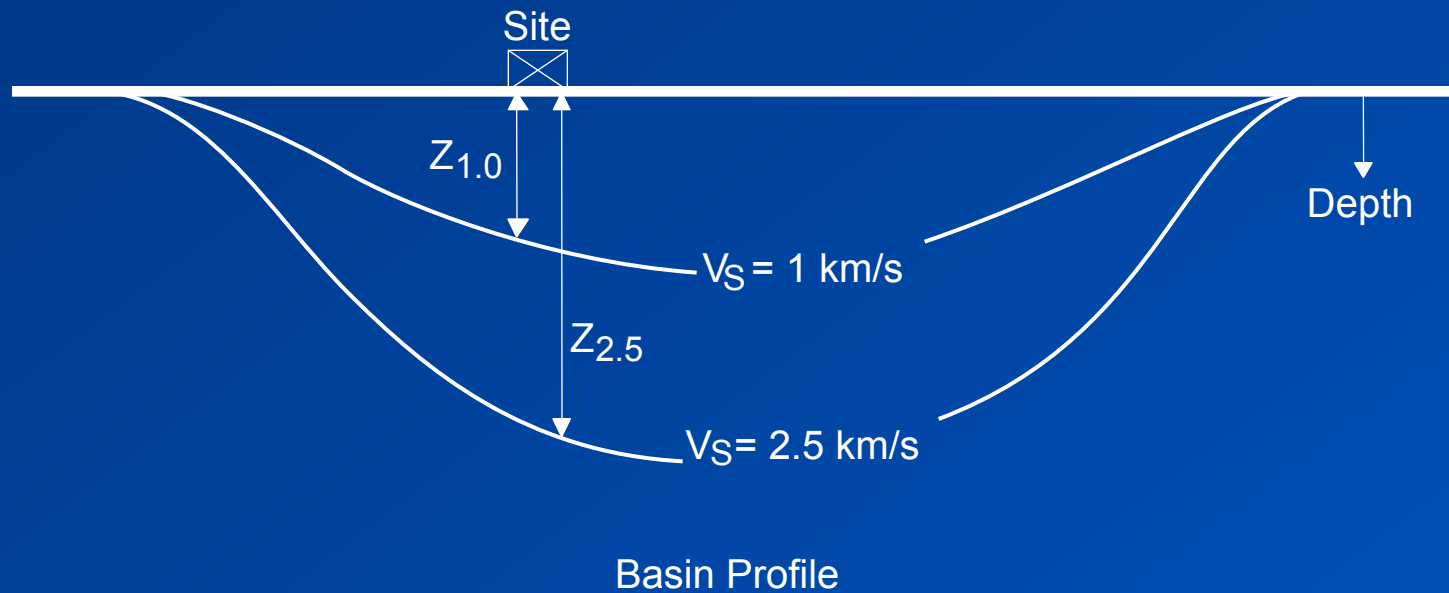
# Modeling Regional Effects on Long Period Motions



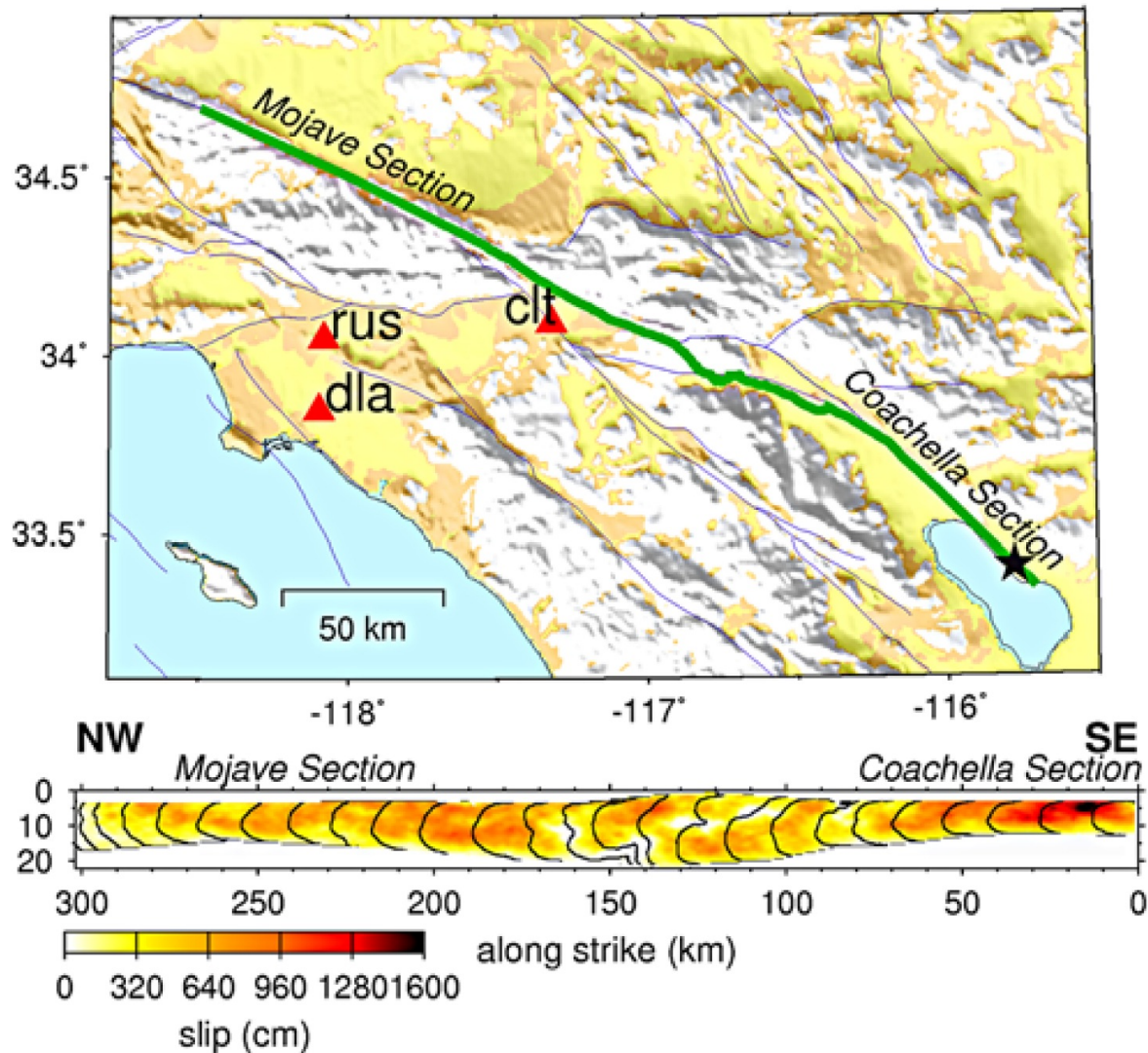


# NGA Equations with Basin Depth Terms

- Abrahamson & Silva – Z1.0
- Campbell & Bozorgnia – Z2.5
- Chiou & Youngs – Z1.0

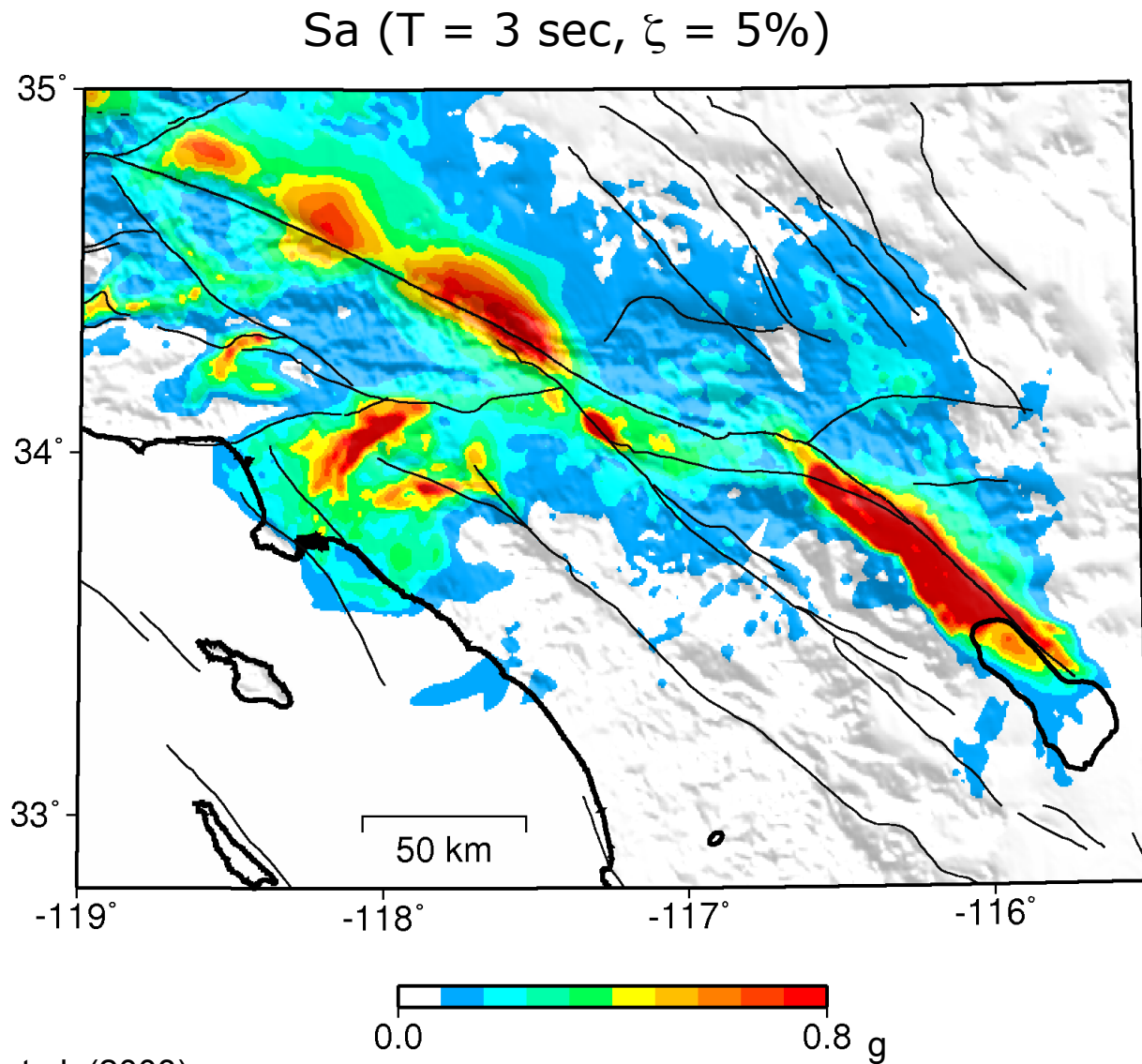


# M 7.8 San Andreas Earthquake Simulations



Graves et al. (2008)

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# Recommendation

- Conduct pilot study for L.A. Basin
- Objective - Generate Long-Period Ground-Motion Maps per PSHA/DSHA Procedures in Ch. 21, ASCE 7-10
- Substitute Simulations for GMPEs

# Approach

1. Identify faults

2. Perform simulations

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3-comp. accelerograms

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response spectra,  $S_a(T)$

↓  
median  $S_a(T)$

3. Select  $\sigma_{ln}$

4. Proceed with PSHA/DSHA



# PSHA for Fault i, Magnitude j

Simulated  $S_a(T) \Rightarrow P_i (S_a > A | M_j)$

$V_{ij} = \text{Rate/yr of } M_j \text{ on Fault } i$

$$V_{ij} \cdot P_i (S_a \geq A | M_j)$$



Rate/yr of  $S_a \geq A$  for Fault i &  $M_j$



# Total Ground-Motion Hazard

$$\sum_{\text{all } M_j} V_{ij} \cdot P_i(S_a \geq A | M_j)$$

$$\sum_{\text{all faults}} \sum_{\text{all } M_j} V_{ij} \cdot P_i(S_a \geq A | M_j)$$



Total Rate/yr of  $S_a \geq A$



# L.A. Pilot Study End Products

Contour Maps of  $S_a(T)$

for

Selected  $T$  in  $\sim 3 \leq T \leq 10$  sec range

# Comparison of Maps

Simulation-Based Maps

vs

Empirical-Based Maps  
using NGA eqns



Direction for Developing  
Long Period  $S_a$  Maps  
in  
ASCE-7