

III.1 Damaging Effects of Earthquakes

- Damage from Earthquake Shaking
Seismic Intensity, Strong Ground Motion
- Quantifying Earthquake Shaking
Attenuation Relations
- Frequency Dependence of Strong Ground Motions
- Site Effects
- Other Damaging Effects of Earthquakes
Tsunami, Fires, Landslides,
Ground Deformation, Liquefaction

'Earthquake don't kill people, structures do'



The number one cause of damage from earthquakes is due to failures in the built environment from ground shaking

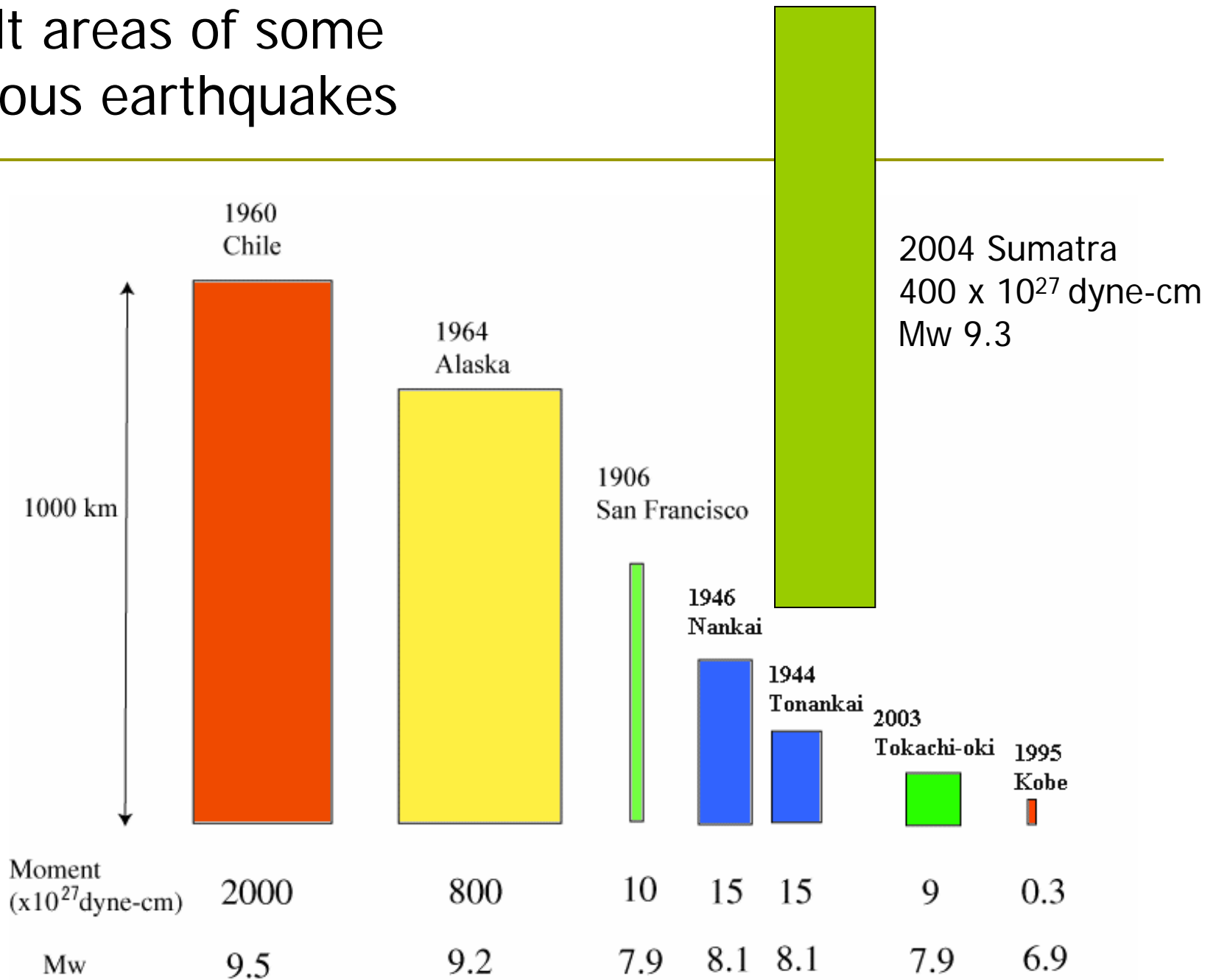
(The number two cause is tsunamis)

1999 Izmit, Turkey earthquake

Modified Mercalli Intensity

- I Barely felt
- II Felt by only few people
- III Felt noticeably, standing autos rock slightly
- IV Felt by many, windows and walls creak
- V Felt by nearly everyone, some dishes and windows broken
- VI Felt by all, damaged plaster and chimneys
- VII Damage to poorly constructed buildings
- VIII Collapse of poorly constructed buildings,
slight damage to well built structures
- IX Considerable damage to well constructed buildings,
buildings shifted off foundations
- X Damage to well built wooden structures, some masonry
buildings destroyed, train rails bent, landslides
- XI Few masonry structure remain standing, bridges
destroyed, ground fissures
- XII Damage total

Fault areas of some famous earthquakes



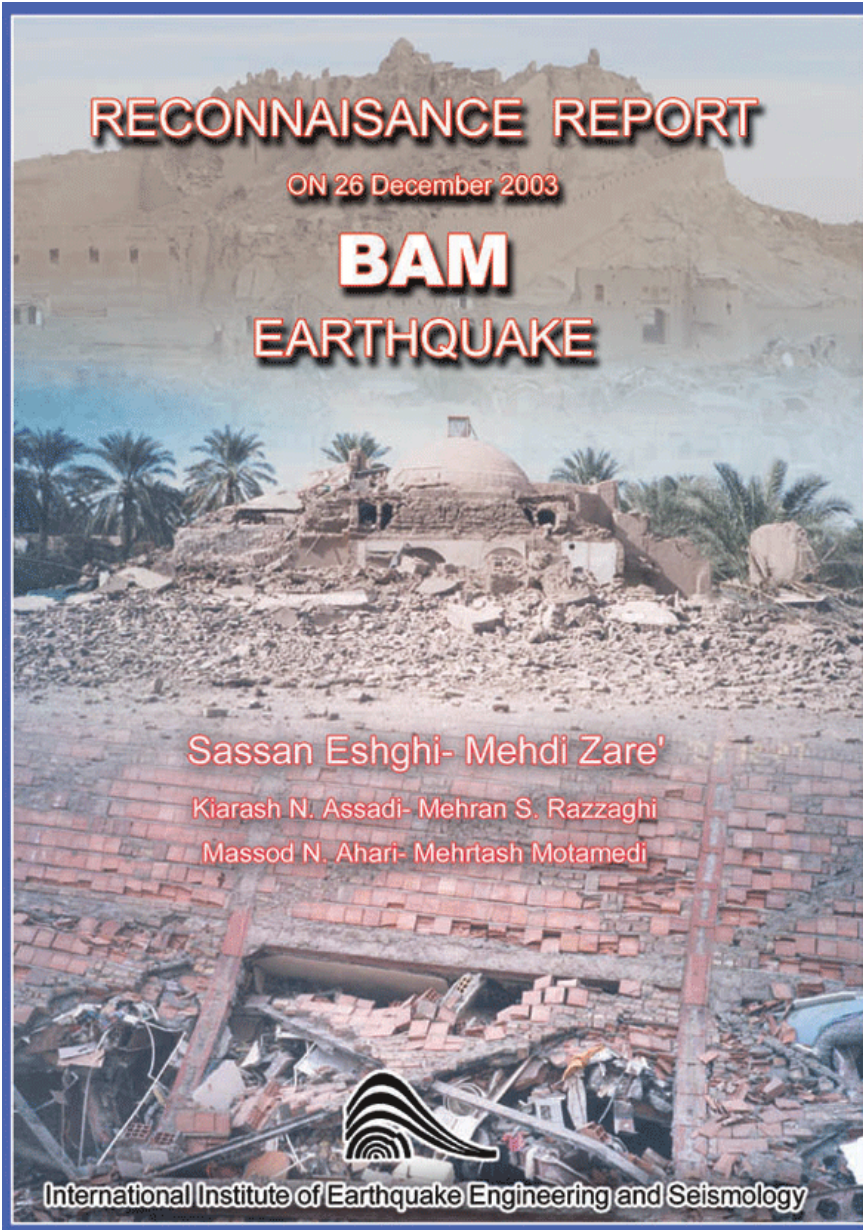
Kashimir, Pakistan Earthquake



October 8, 2005
Mw 7.6

Deaths >80,000
Injured >200,000
Homeless >4,000,000





Bam, Iran Earthquake

December 26, 2003

Mw 6.5

Depth 7 km

Deaths ~43,200

Injured ~20,000

Collapsed ~50,000

Buildings

http://www.iiees.ac.ir/English/Bam_report_english.html

Latur, India Earthquake



September 30, 1993

Mw 6.1

Depth 7 km

Deaths 7600

Injured ~16,000

Collapsed ~30,000

Buildings



1995 Kobe, Japan Earthquake



Hyogo-ken Nanbu (Kobe)
January 17, 1995
Mw 6.9 (Mjma 7.3)

Deaths	5096
Injured	26,797
Damage	~US\$100 billion



1995 Northridge, California Earthquake



Northridge, California
(Los Angeles)

January 17, 1994

Mw 6.7

Deaths 57

Injured 9,158

Damage ~US\$20 billion

Collapsed Bridges in Northridge Earthquake



There were 5 collapses
and over 170 damaged
bridges around Los
Angeles

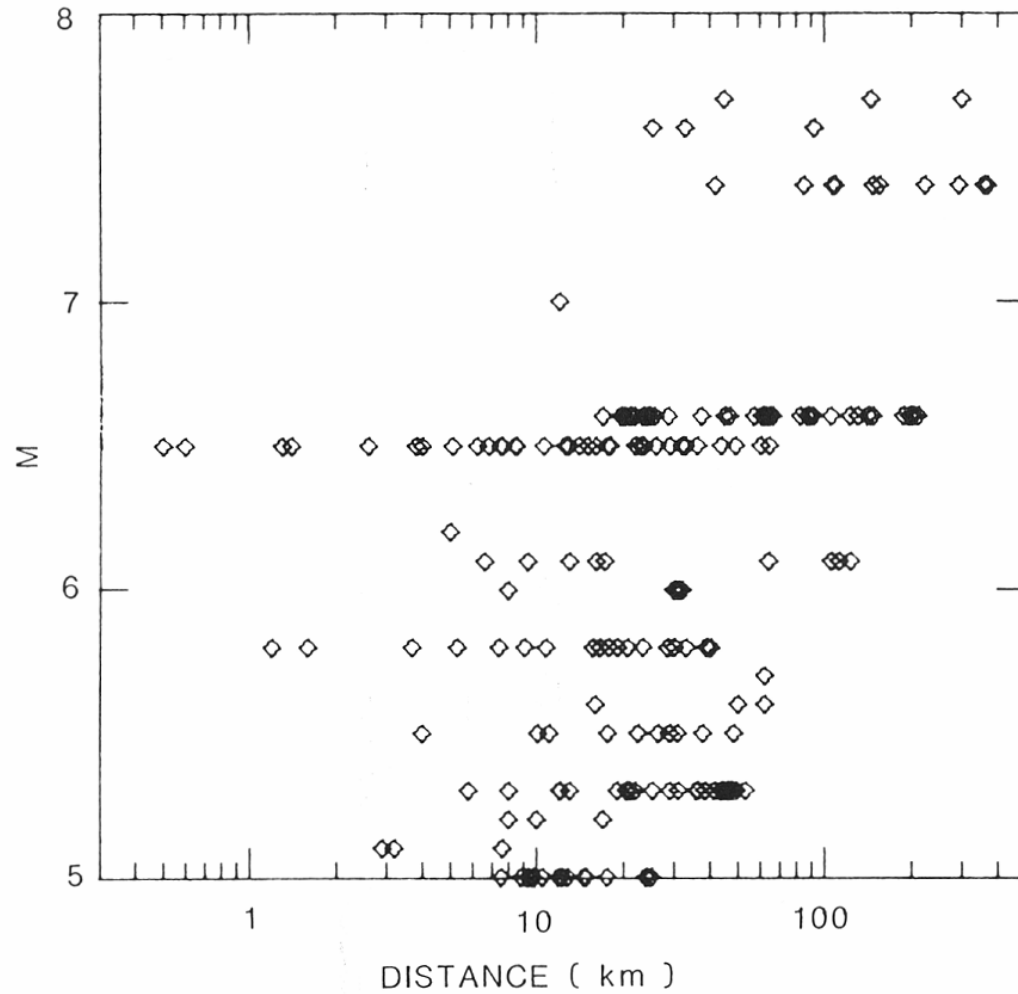
I5-SH14 Interchange

One year later in Japan...



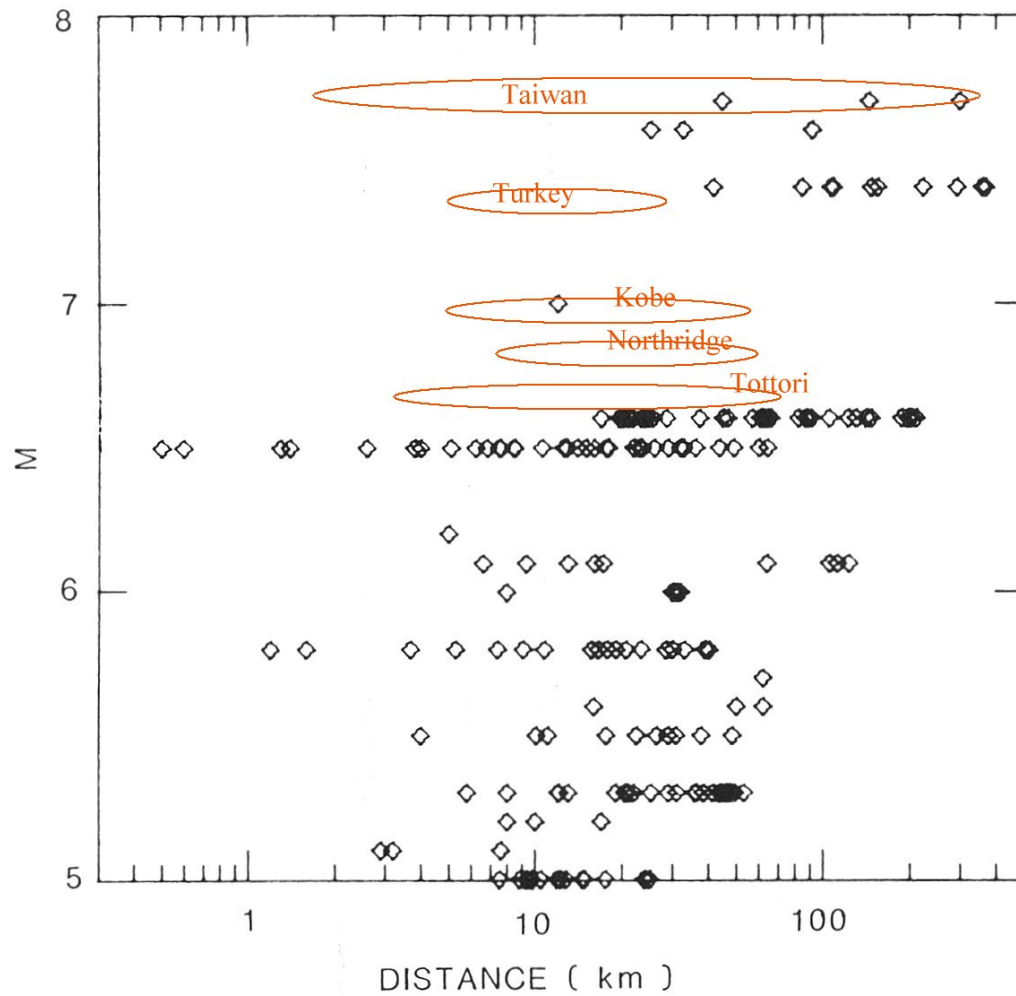
Collapsed Hanshin Highway in Kobe

Strong-motion data in 1982



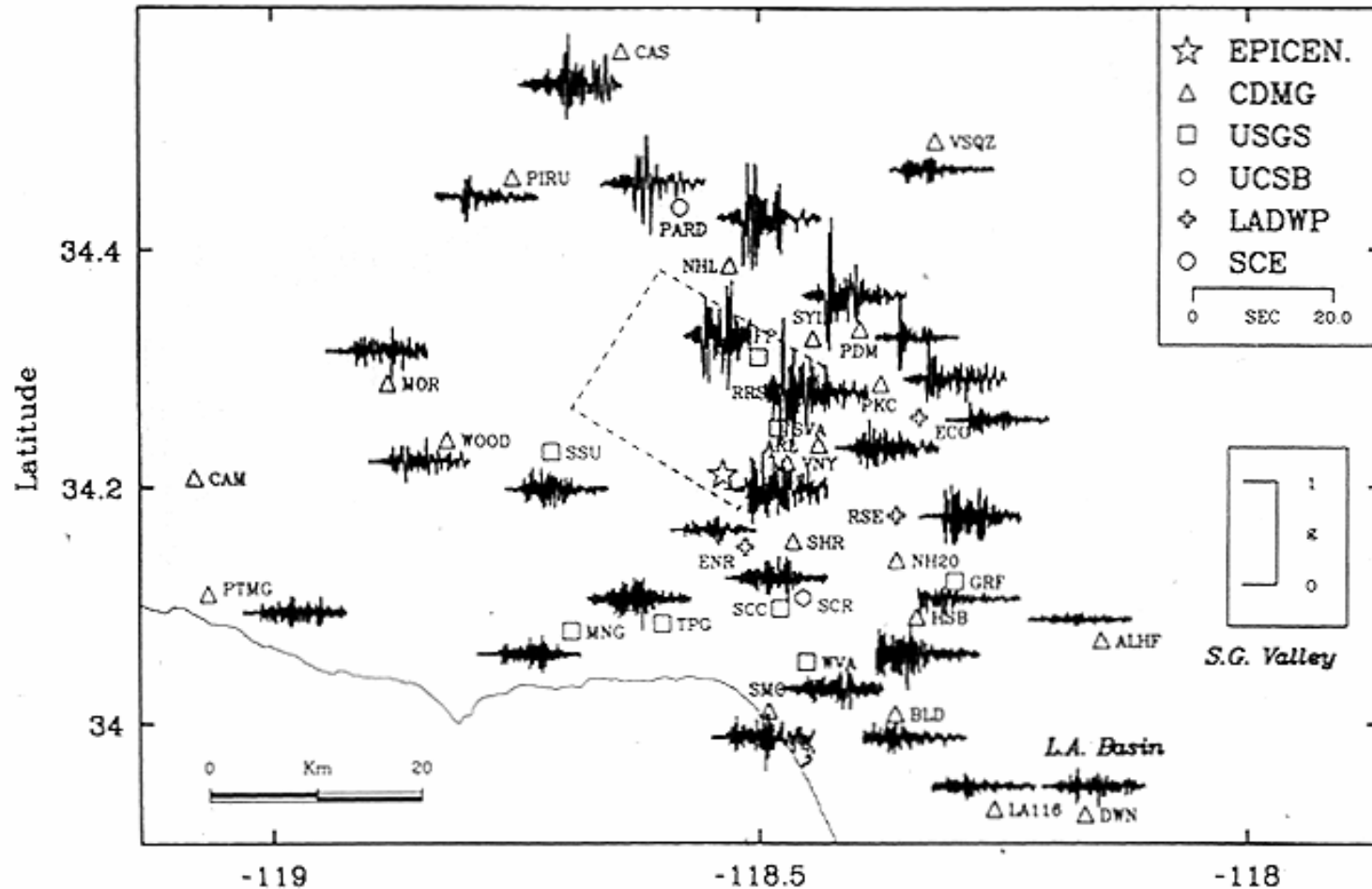
Boore and Joyner, 1982

Strong-motion data in 2002

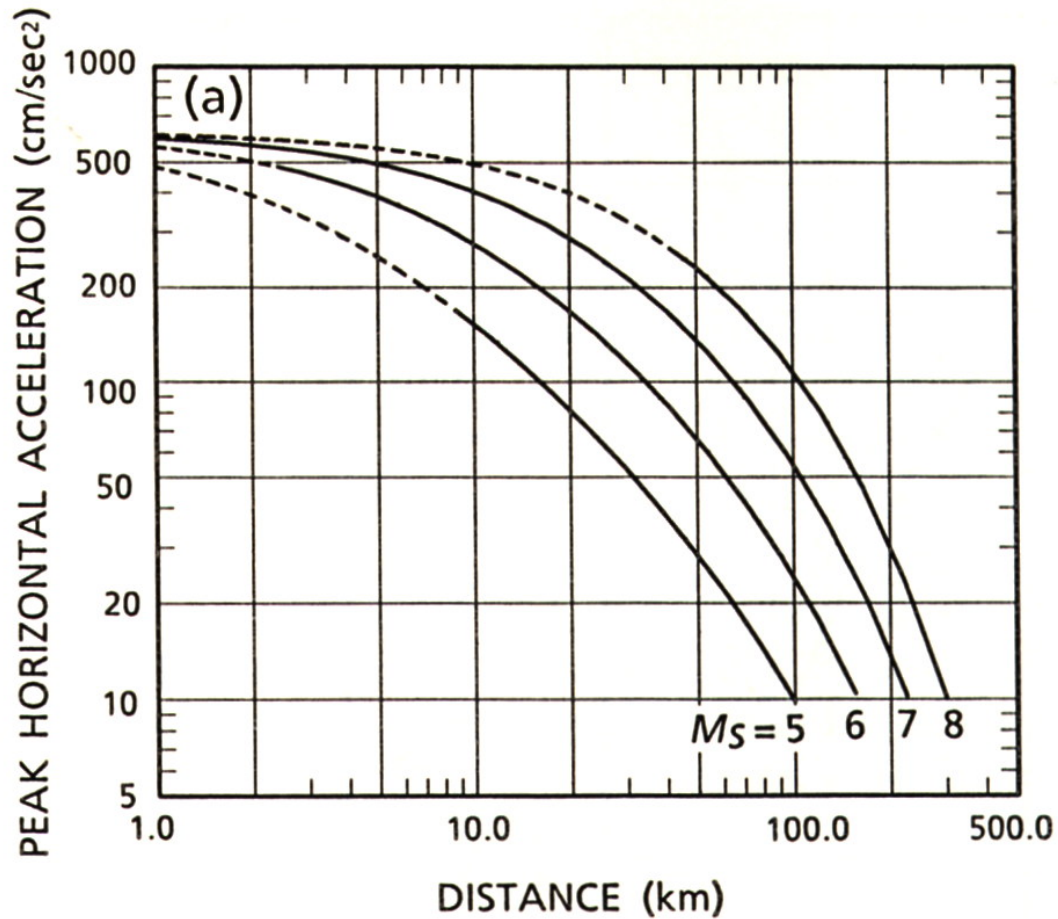


Strong-motion Recordings from the Northridge Earthquake

Ground Accelerations - North Component



Attenuation Relations

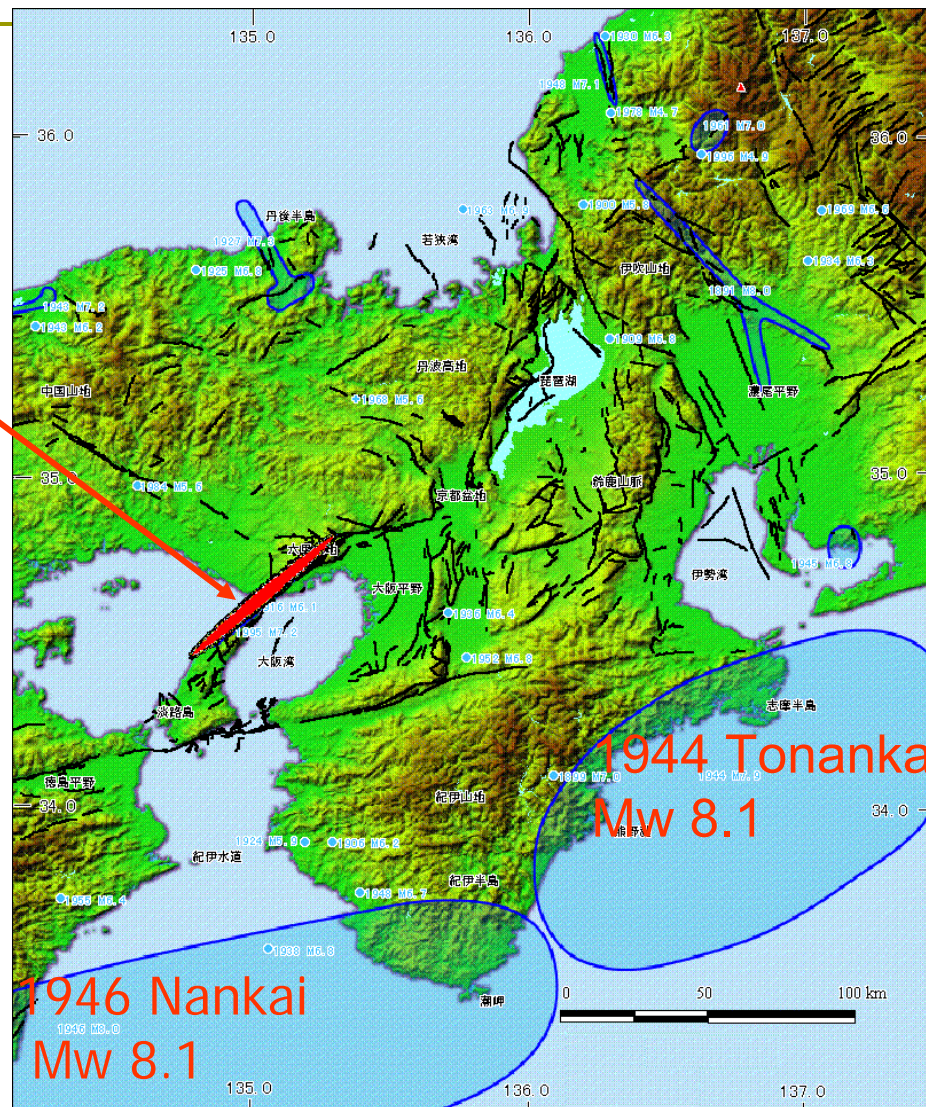


Distance to Earthquake is Most Important Factor for Shaking Damage

1995 Kobe
Mw 6.9

Deaths

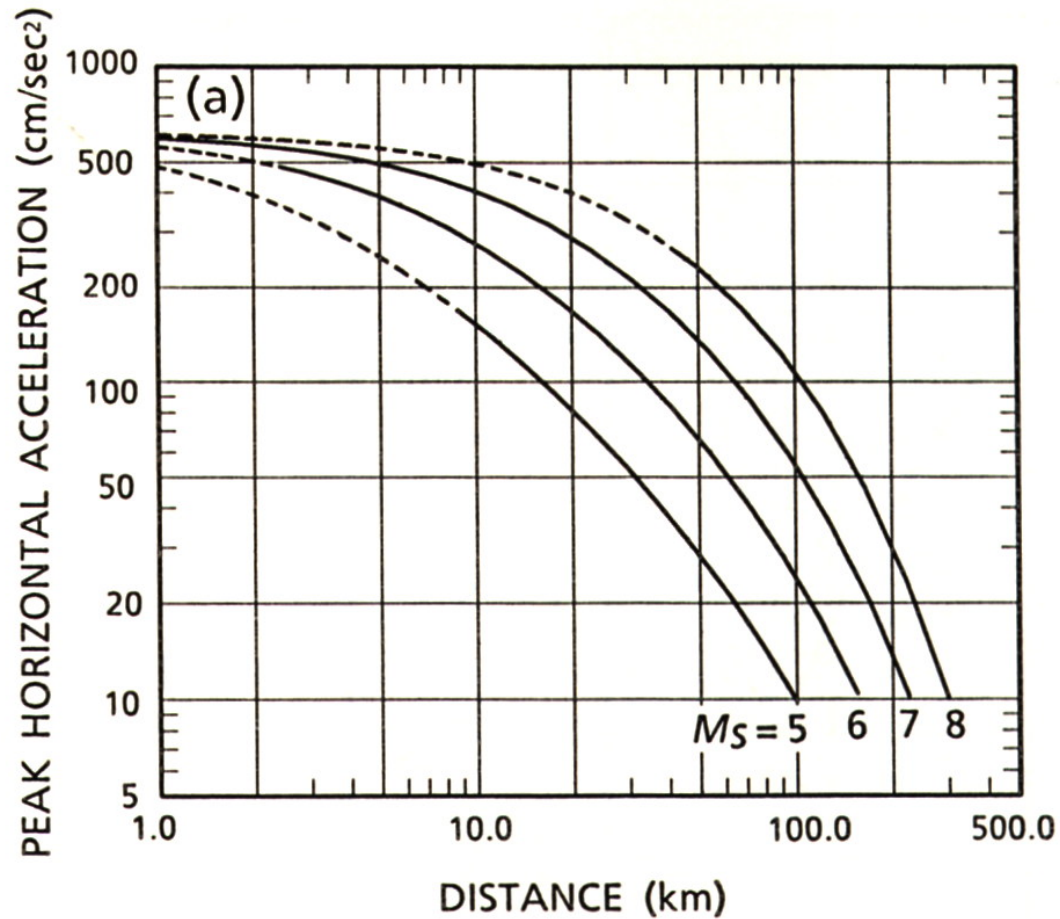
1944	Tonankai	1223
1946	Nankai	1330
1995	Kobe	5310



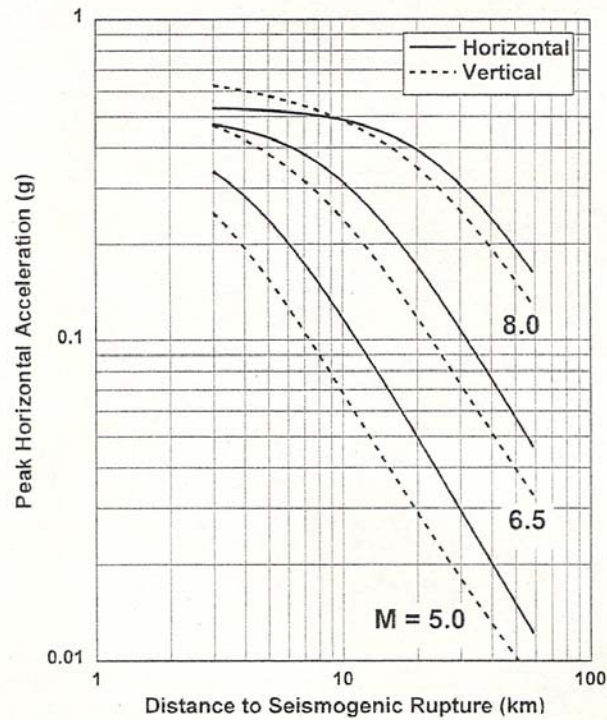
1944 Tonankai
Mw 8.1

1946 Nankai
Mw 8.1

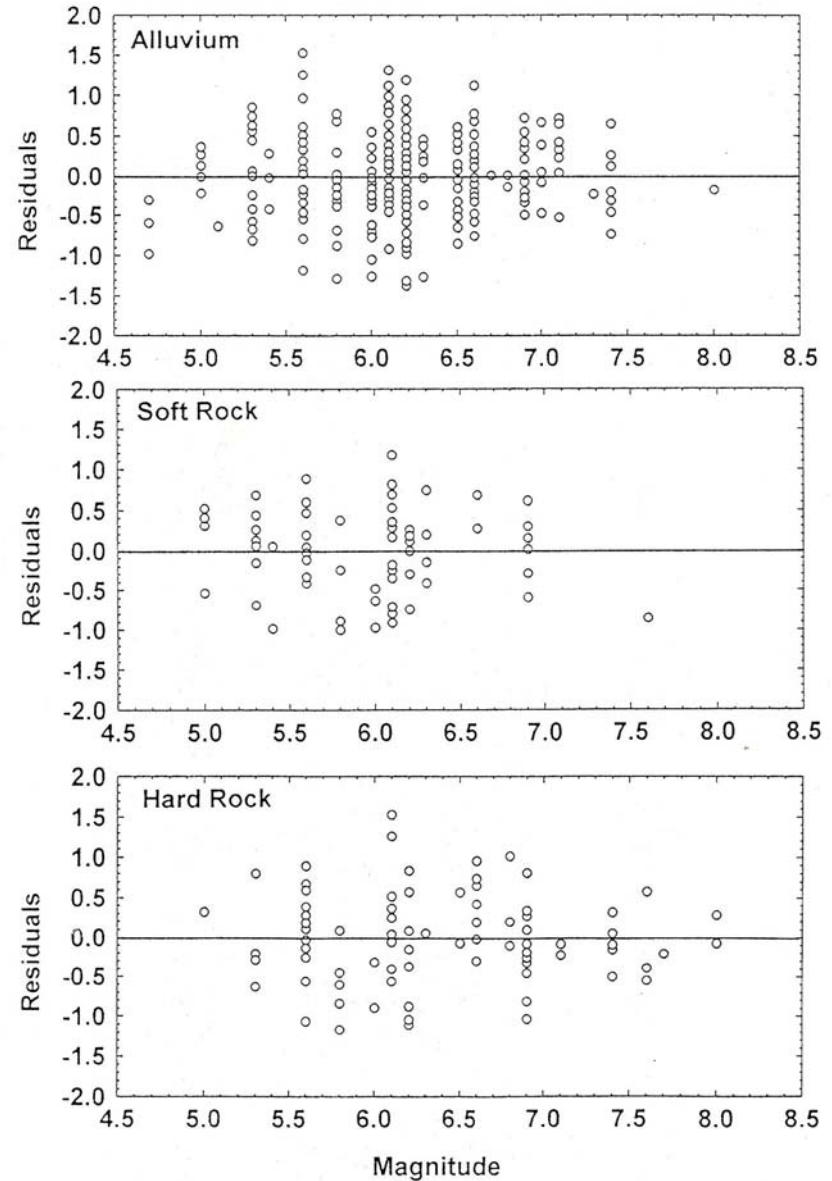
Attenuation Relations



Large Variability in Ground Motions

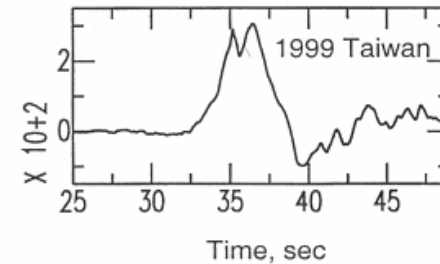
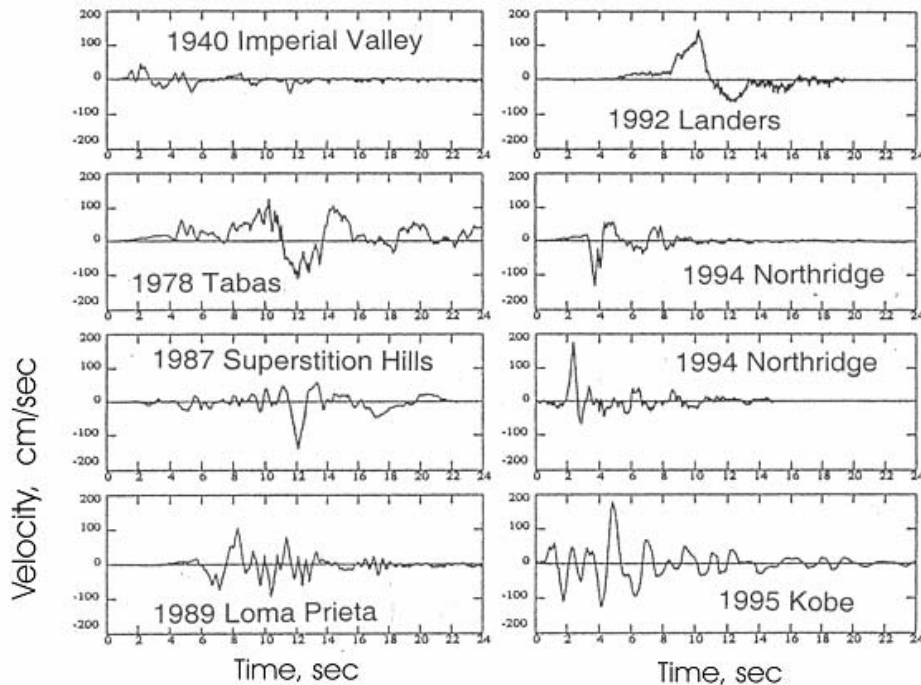


Campbell, 1997



Large Recorded Ground Velocities

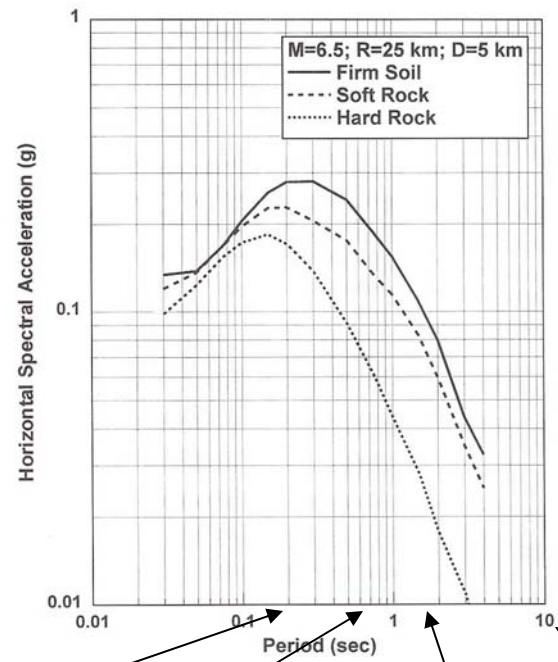
Ground-Motion Velocity from Large Earthquakes



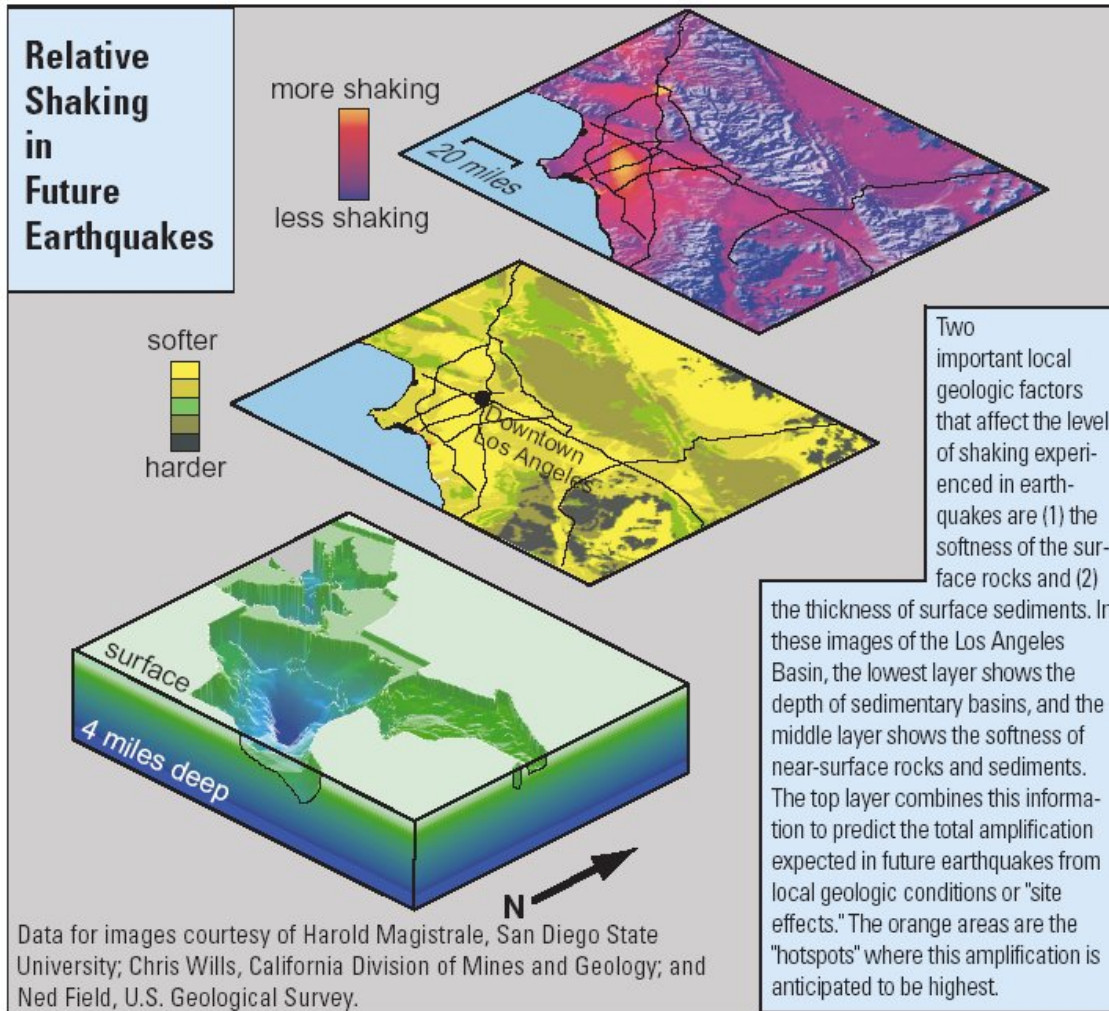
Important Factors for Evaluating Strong Shaking

- Frequency Dependence
- Regional Attenuation
- Site Effects

Frequency Response of Structures

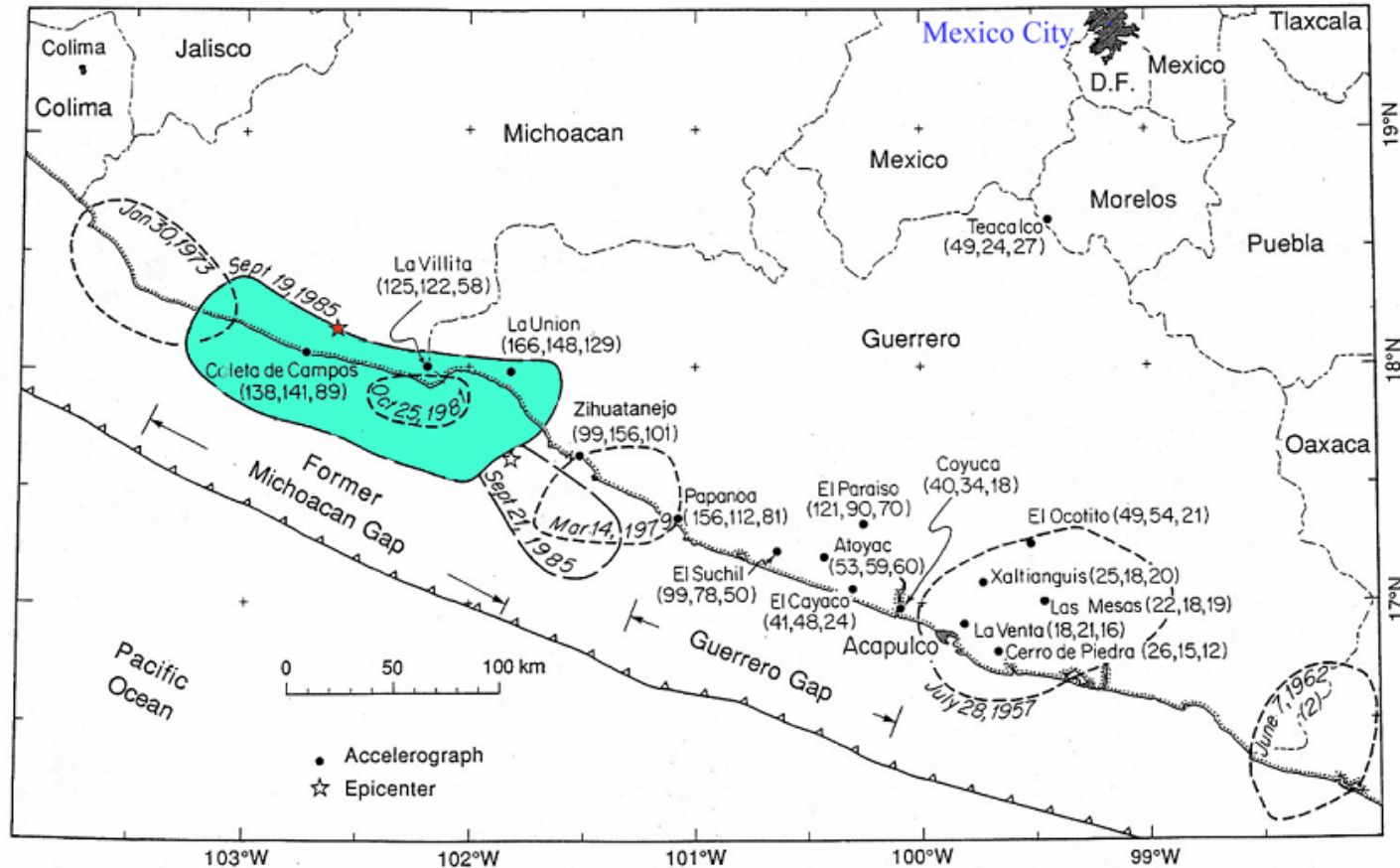


Site Response



Soft surface soils can amplify seismic waves

Site Response: 1985 Michoacan, Mexico Earthquake

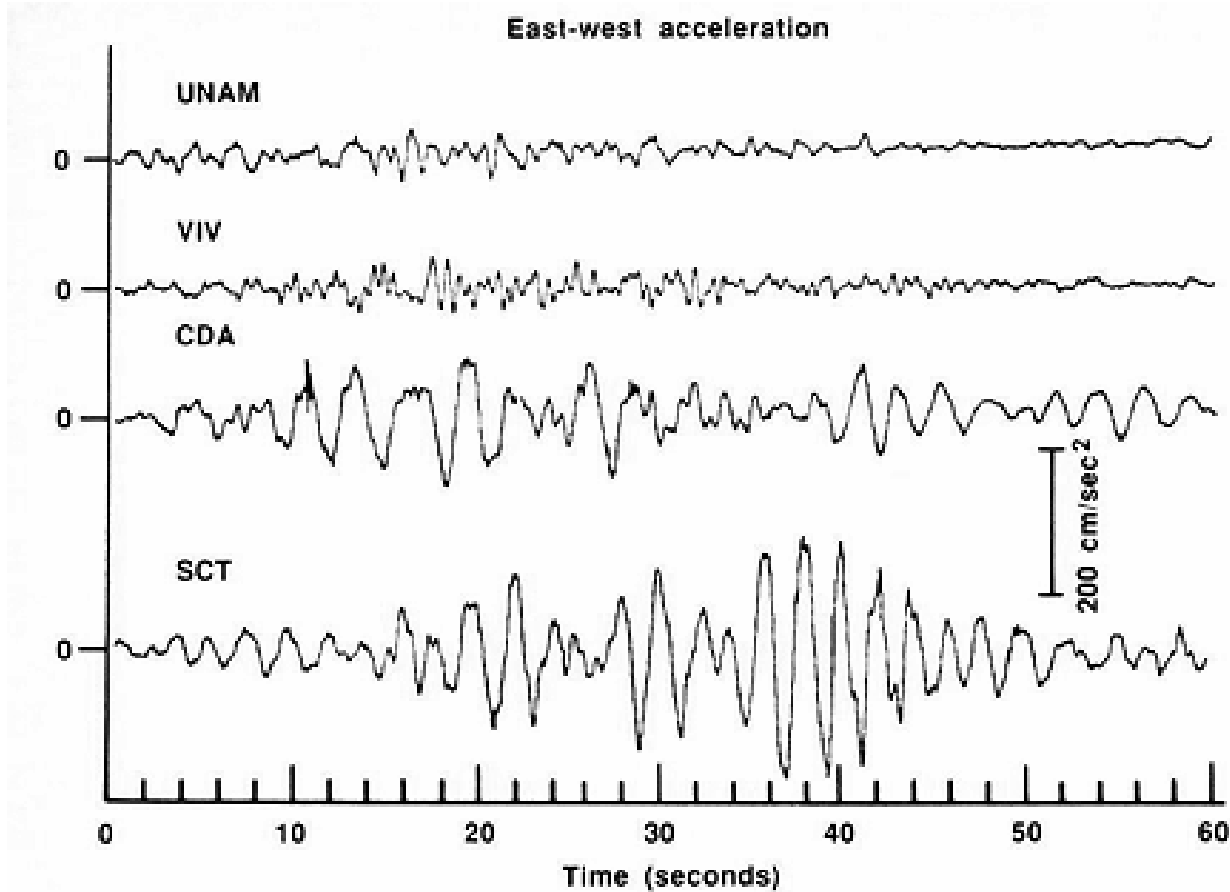




Mexico City

- 350 km from earthquake
- 9000 deaths
- collapse of 371 high rise structures, especially 10-14 story buildings

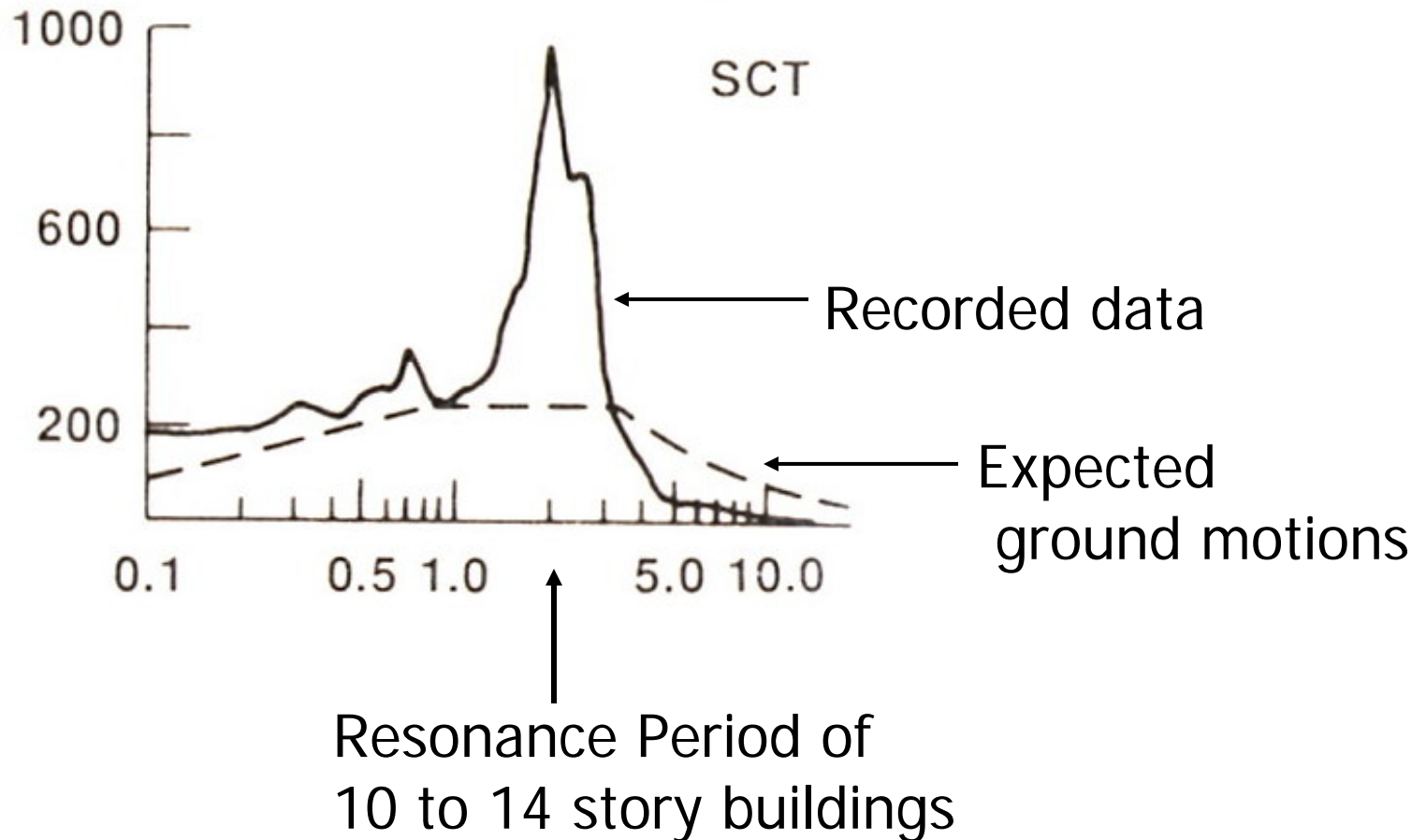
Strong-motion Records from Mexico City



hard rock hills

old lake bed

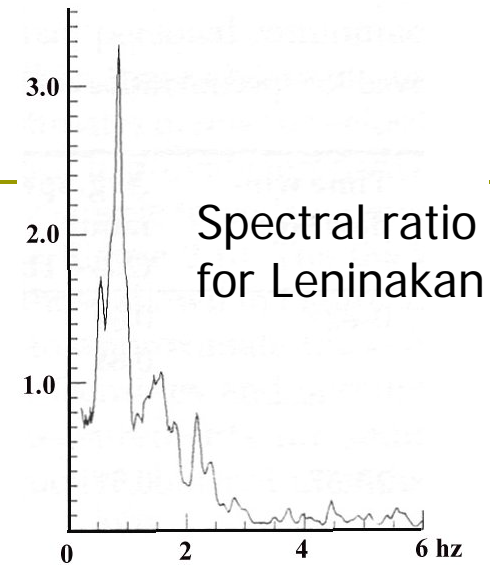
Mexico City Acceleration Response Spectrum



1988 Spitak, Armenia Earthquake



Most pre-cast frame buildings in Leninakan and Kirovakan were 9-story Soviet Building Type 111.



Borcherdt et al., 1989

- 95% (127/133) of pre-cast frame buildings in Leninakan were severely damaged or collapsed.
- 0% (0/108) in Kirovakan

Other Damaging Effects from Earthquakes

- Tsunamis
- Fires
- Ground Deformations
- Landslides
- Liquefaction

Landslides



Large landslide from the 2005 Pakistan earthquake

http://www.eeri.org/lfe/clearinghouse/kashmir/reports/kashmir_eeri_1st_report.pdf

Landslides



A mother and 2 children rode the landslide for over 1 km in this house



Large landslide from the 1999 Chi-Chi Taiwan earthquake

Fires



Large fires following the 1995 Kobe earthquake

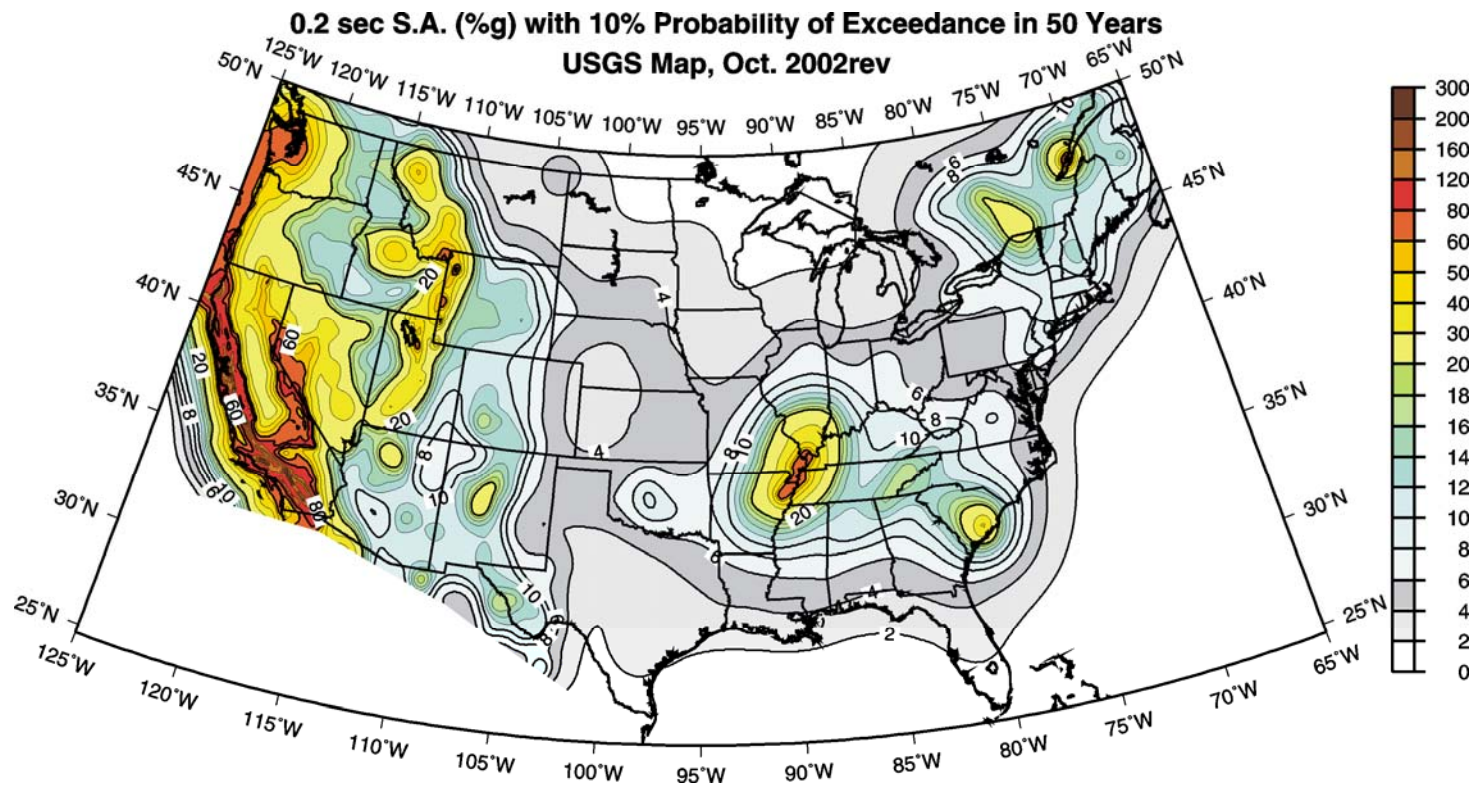
Liquefaction

Liquefaction causing toppled buildings in the 1964 Niigata earthquake



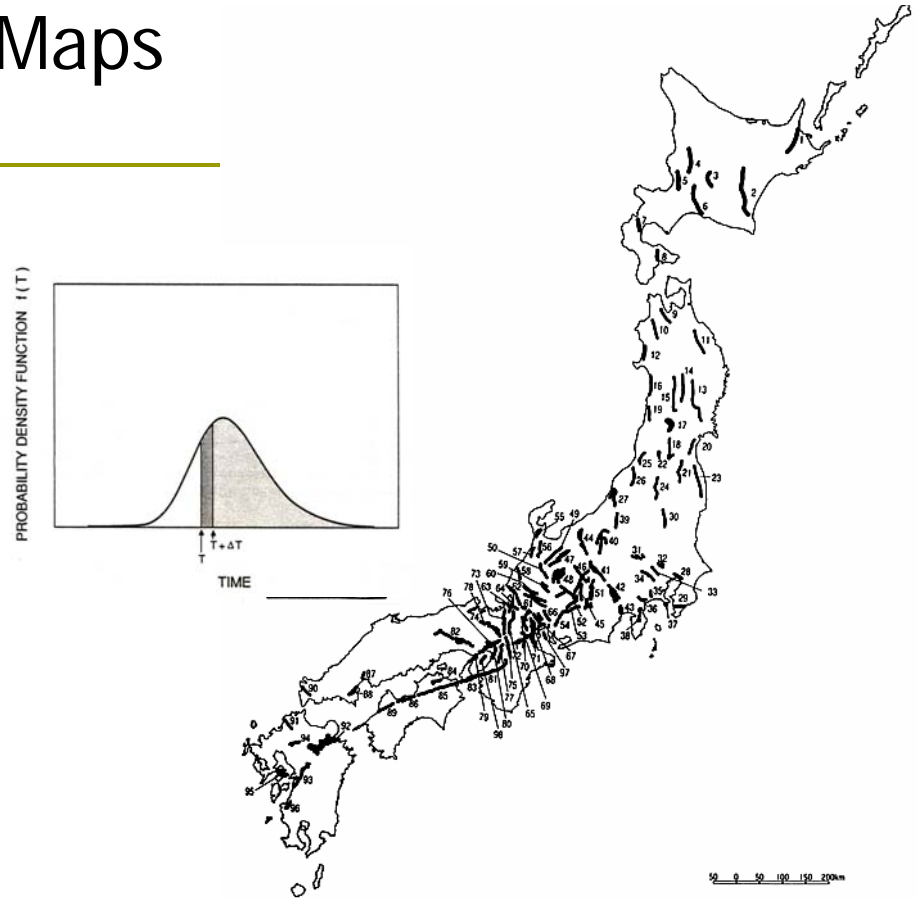
Hazard maps

- Show the distribution of shaking that has a certain probability of occurring

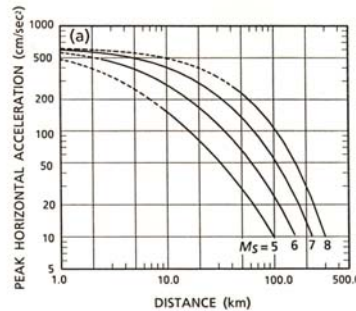


Probabilistic Hazard Maps

Probabilistic Earthquake Occurrence

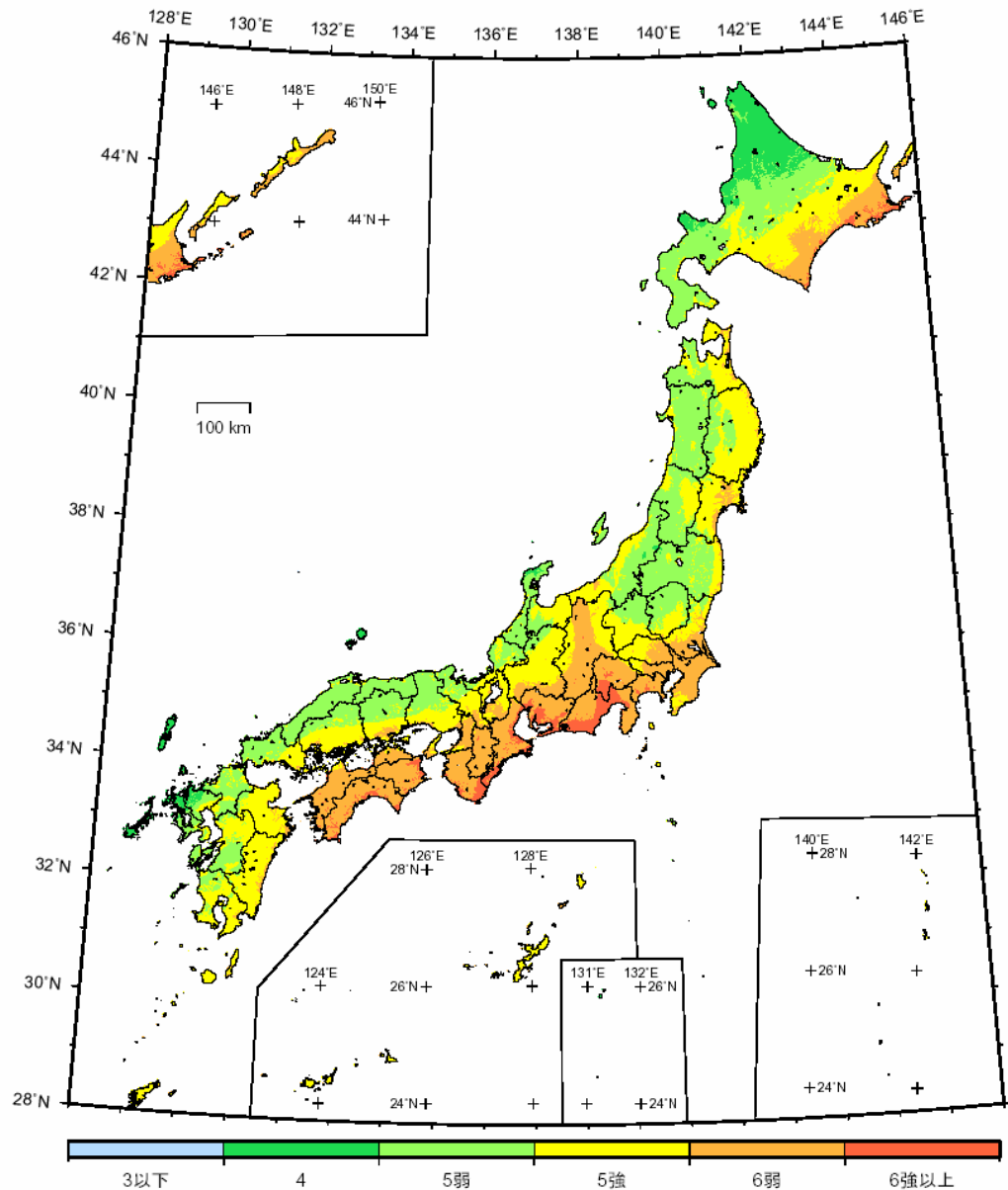


Attenuation Relations



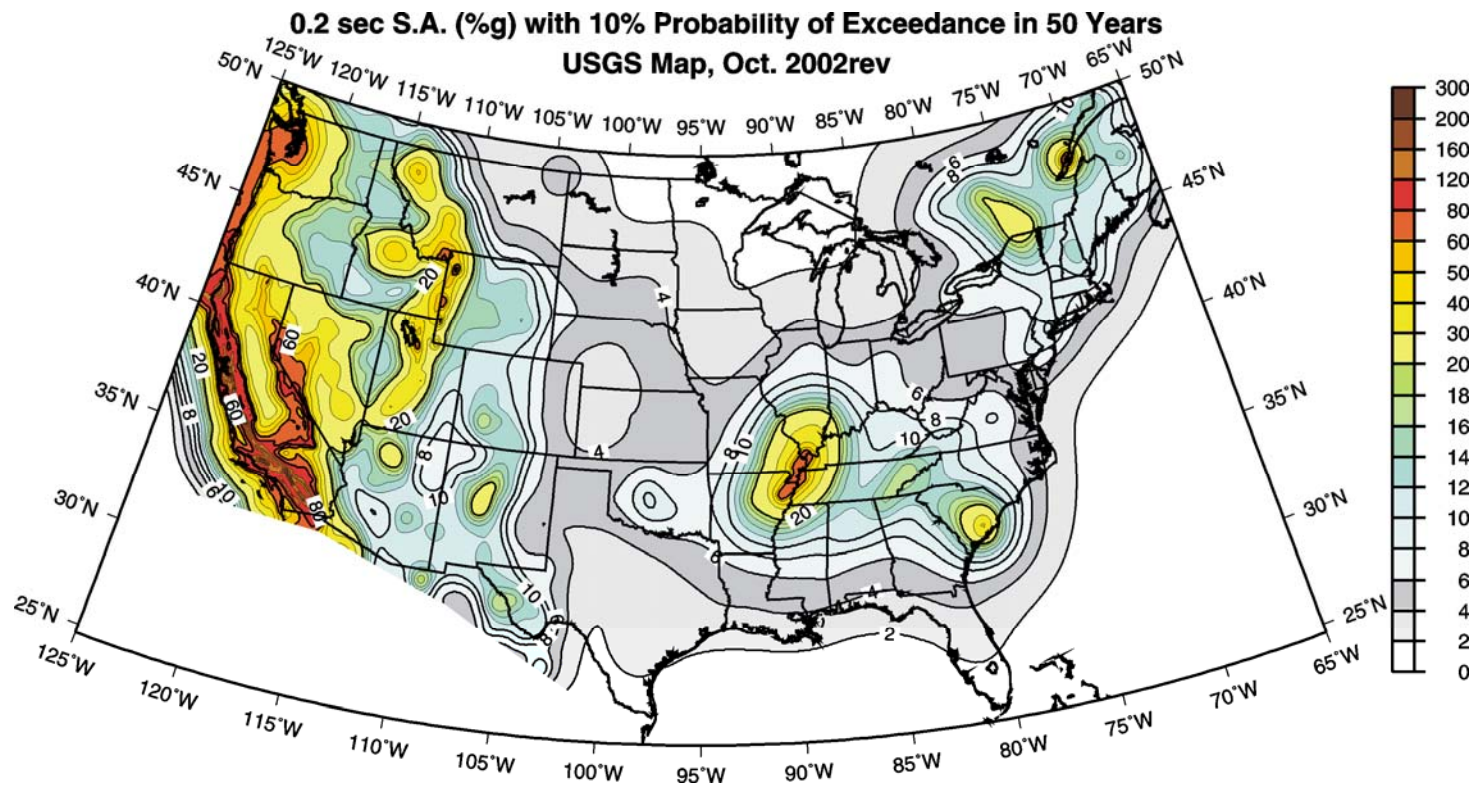
Japan National Seismic Hazard Maps

Probability of exceedence
10% in 50 years



Hazard maps

- Map peak ground acceleration (PGA) or spectral acceleration for given frequencies.



Conclusions

- Most severe (high-frequency) shaking is close to the fault, so often smaller earthquakes near populated areas cause huge damage.
- To evaluate the shaking damage, we need information for the amplitudes and frequencies of strong ground motions as a function of distance (attenuation relations).
- Local site effects can be very important (Mexico City).
- Other damaging effects are due to Tsunamis, Fires, Landslides, Ground Deformations, Liquefaction