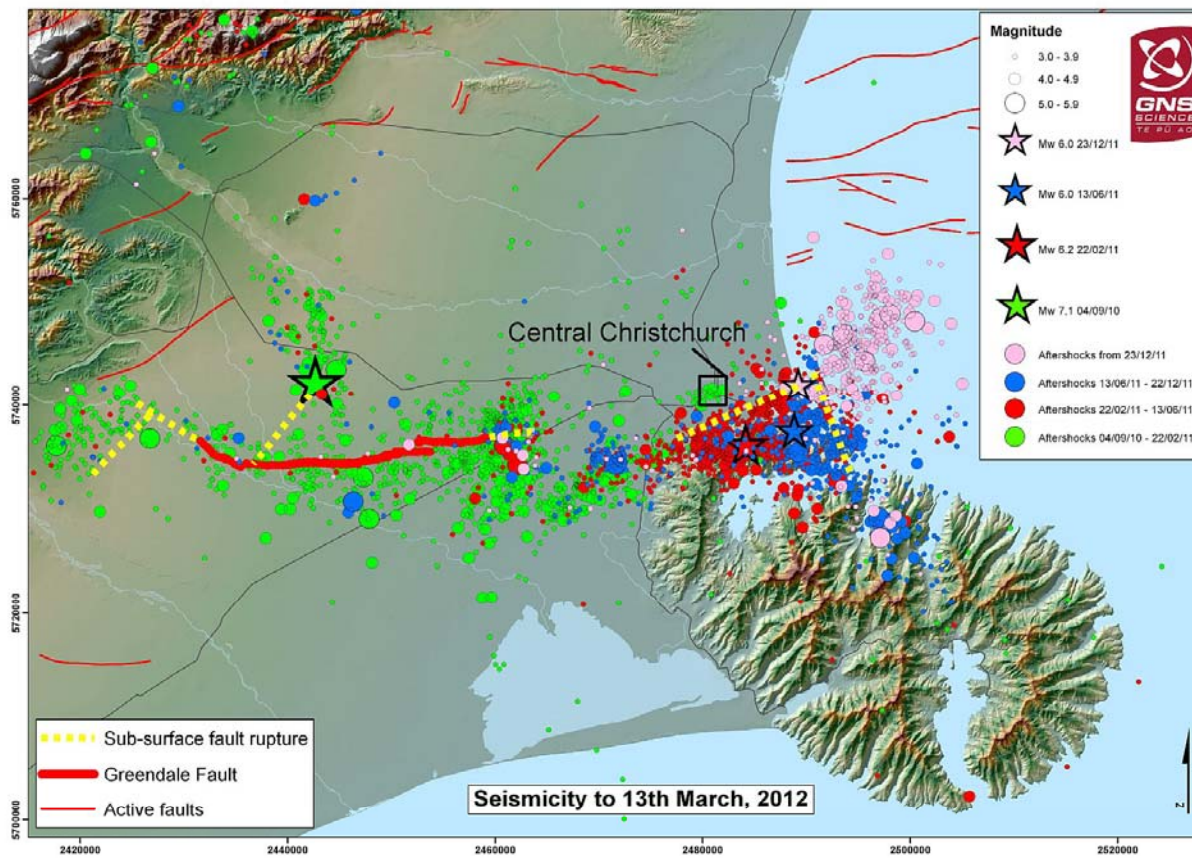


Comparisons of Darfield and Christchurch Ground Motions with NGA-W1 GMPEs

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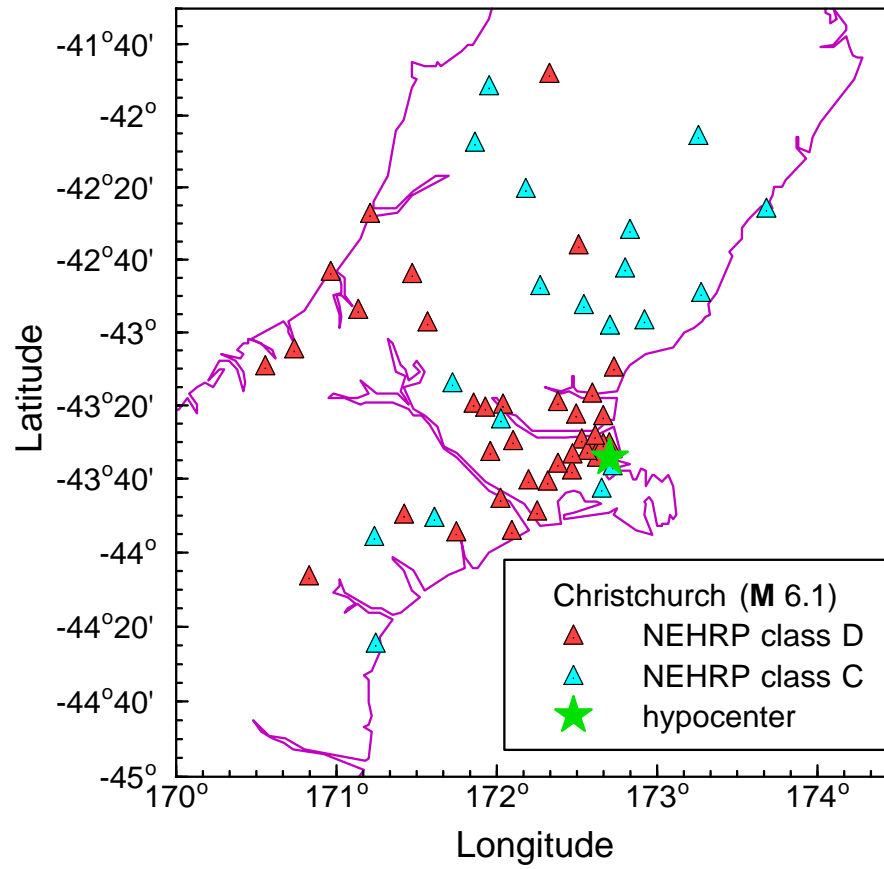
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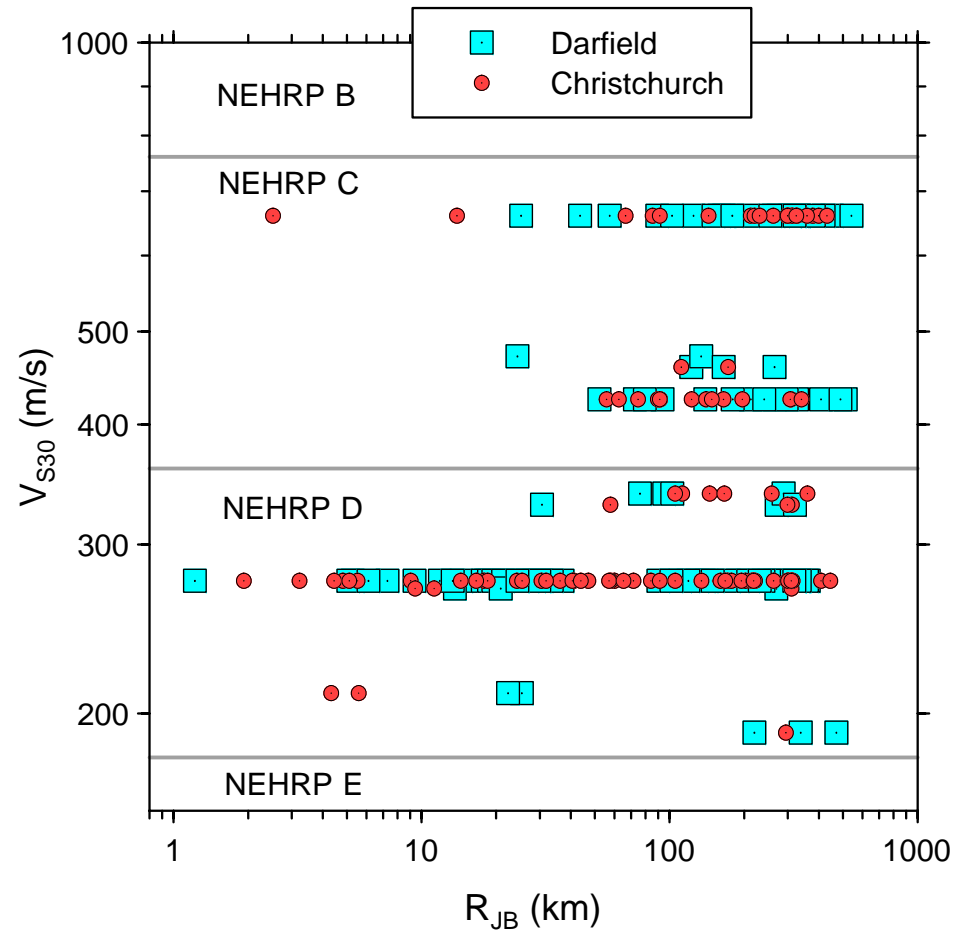
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Class C sites at greater distance may have smaller depth of sediments than those near Christchurch



Most class C sites to the north

- Many sites with $V_{s30} = 275$ and 660 m/s because values were estimated, not measured
- Distributions of V_{s30} similar for both events
- Most records with $R < 100$ km are from class D sites



Note: Some sites classified as “E” by Bradley & Cuprinovski (2011)

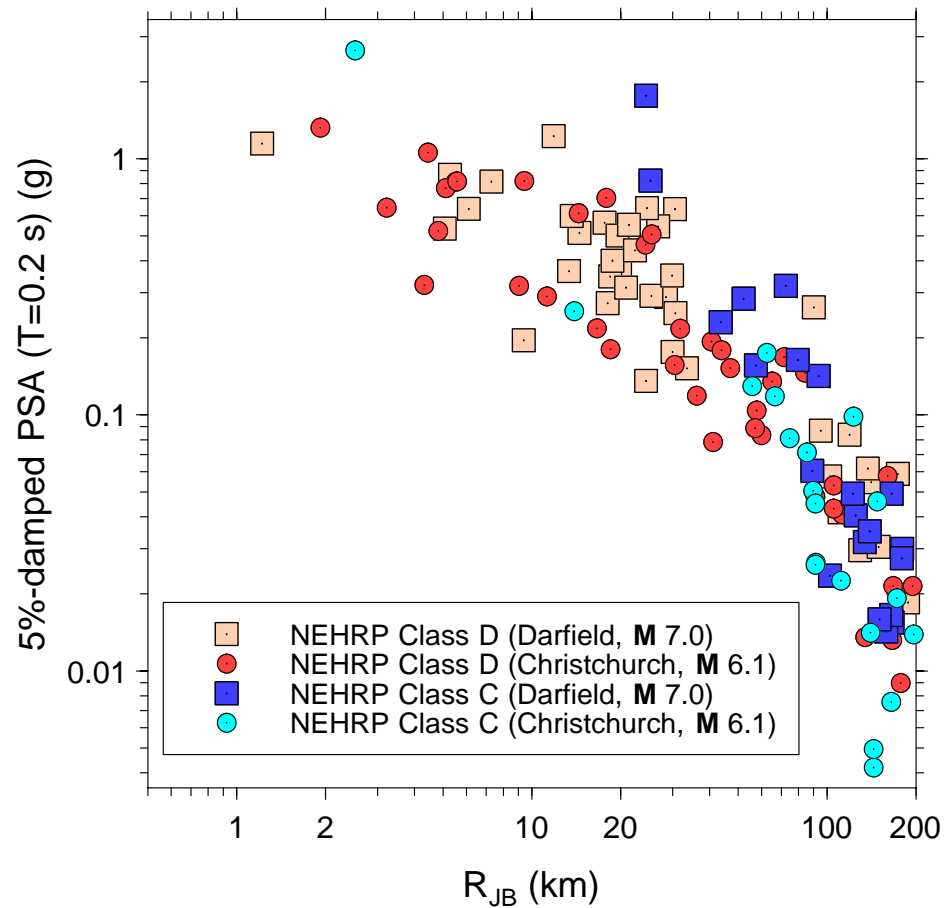
Comparison of Darfield and Christchurch Ground Motions

- Motions from both events at close distances are comparable
- Apparently no or small site effect (but note difference in spatial locations for different class sites, so source effects could compensate for site effects)
- Nonlinear soil response could have reduced motions for the larger event

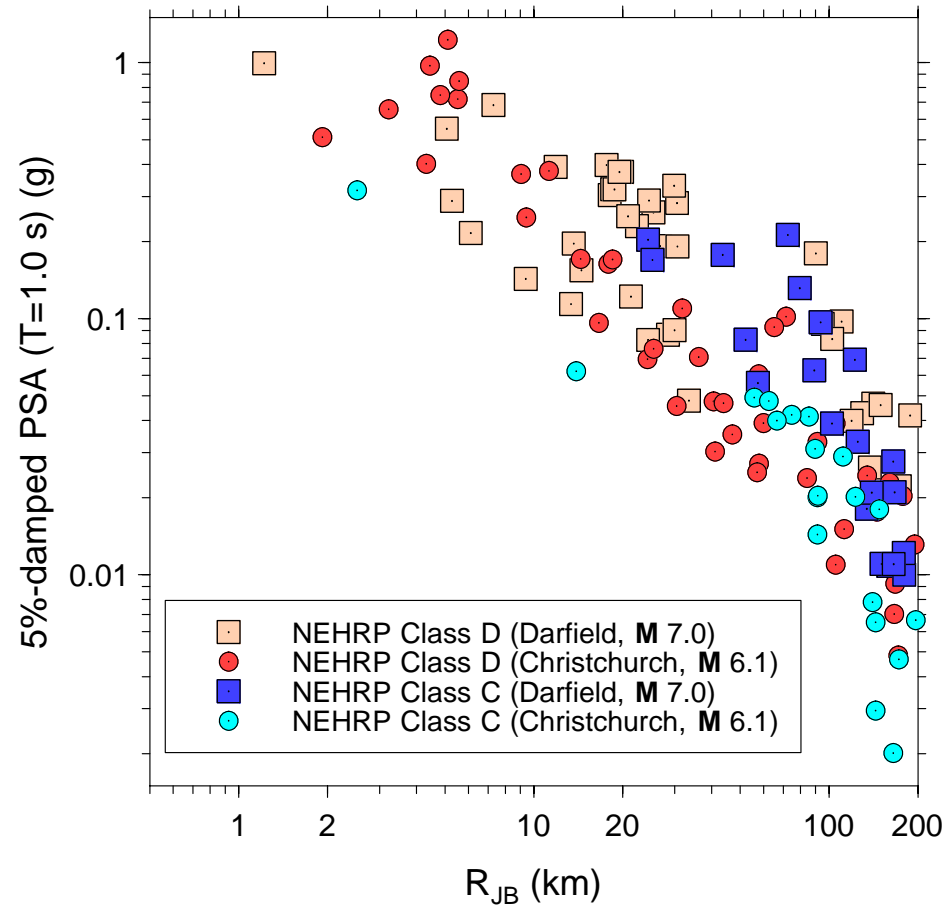
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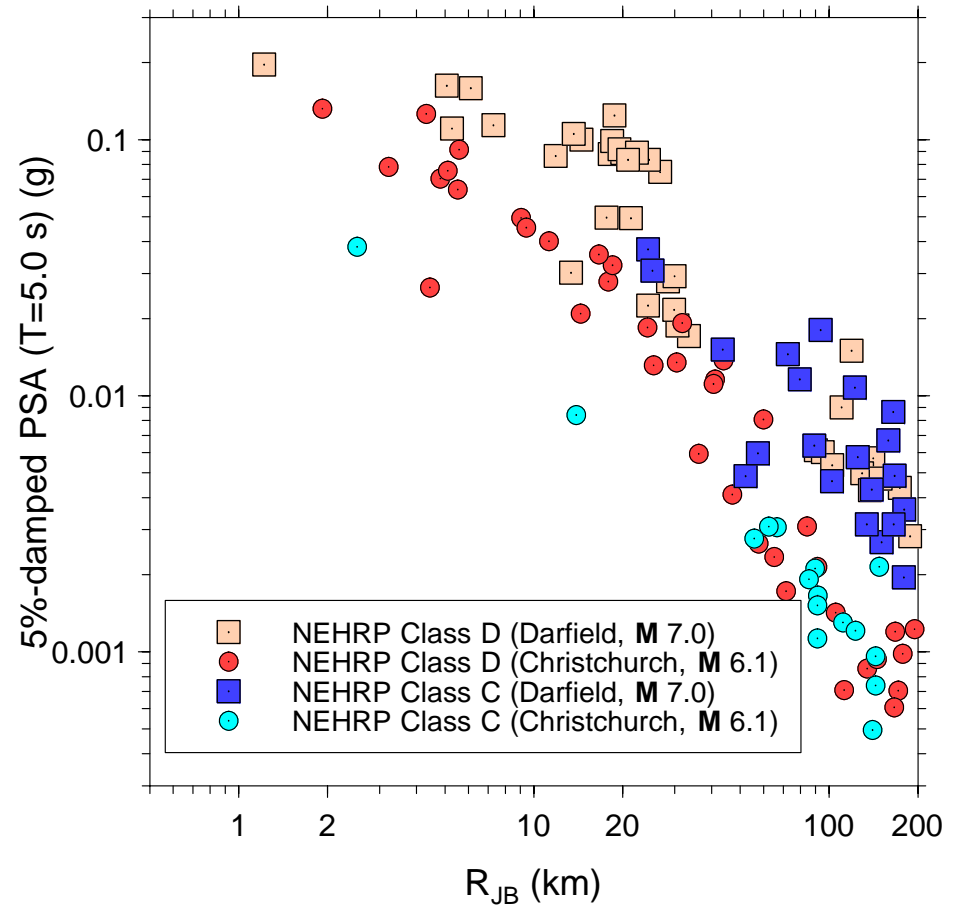
Concentrate on H components, as the 2008 NGA GMPEs were only for H.



- Christchurch (**M** 6.1) class D motions comparable or even larger than Darfield (**M** 7.0) at close distances
- Darfield class C motions greater than Christchurch motions ($R > 50$ km)

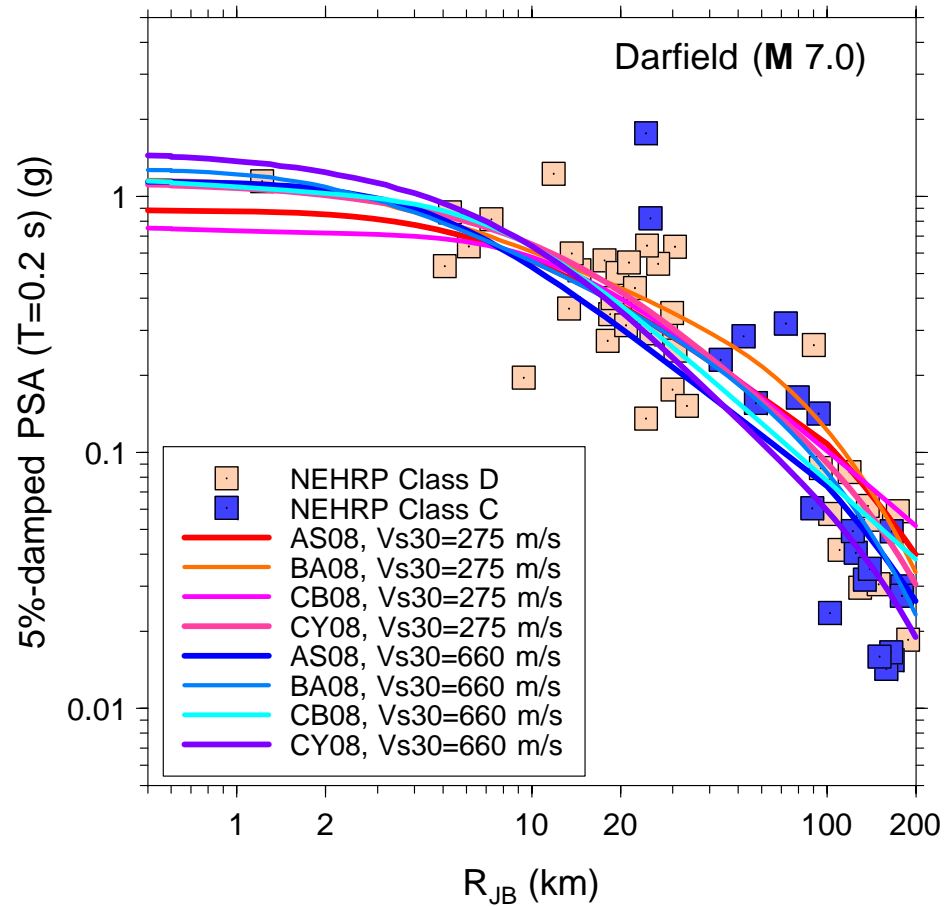


- Christchurch (**M** 6.1) class D motions now smaller than Darfield (**M** 7.0) at all distances
- Apparent site effect small or not existent

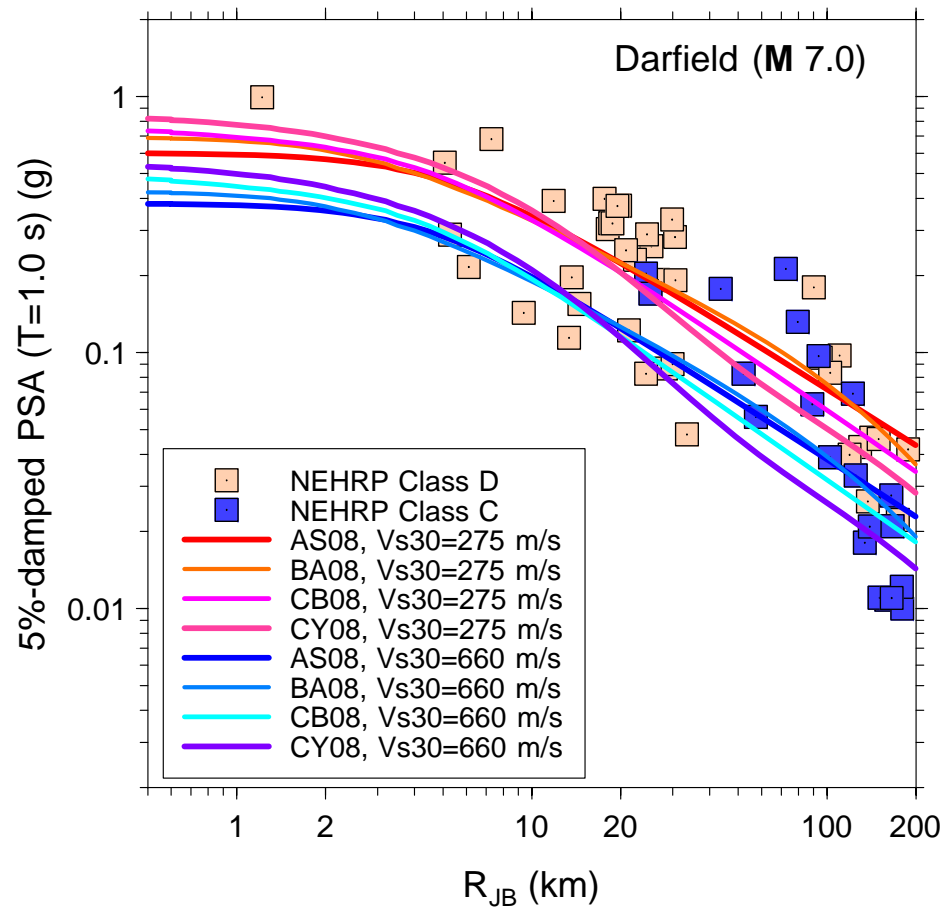


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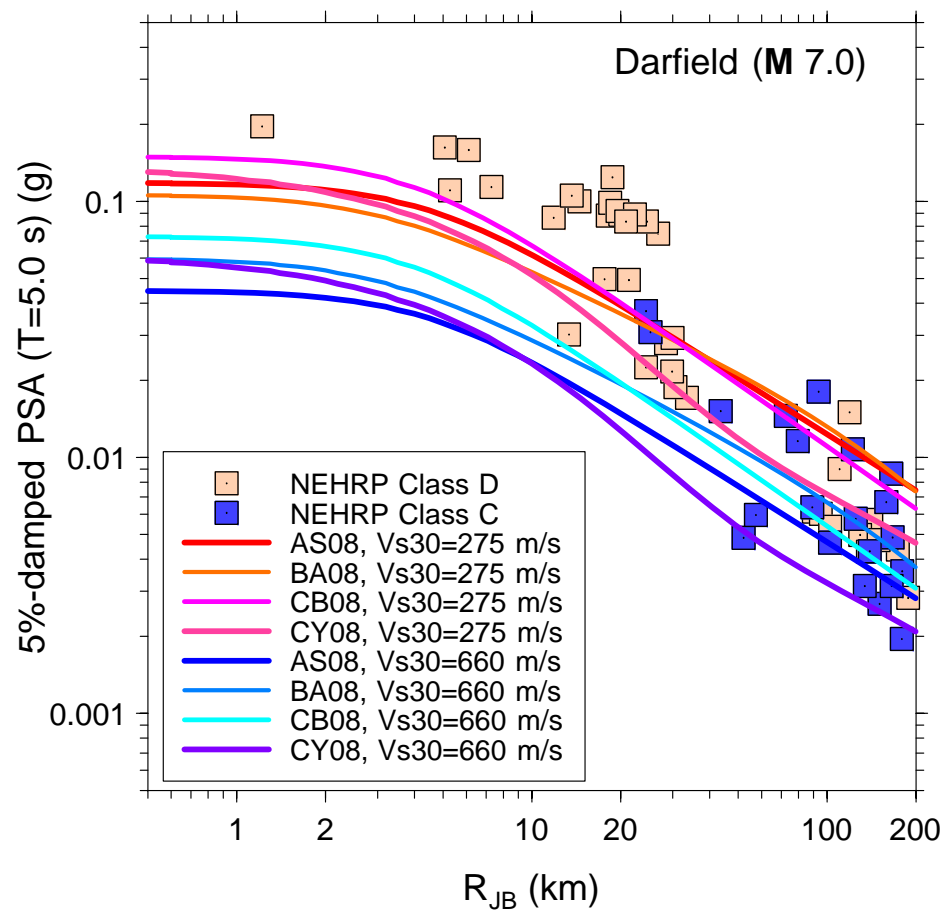
- Reddish GMPEs for class D
- Bluish GMPEs for class C
- Don't try to follow curves for individual GMPEs
- Overall comparison good
- Apparent lack of site effect in data is consistent with GMPEs



- Note separation in observed class D values; GMPEs predictions between the two groups
- Site effect in GMPEs, but not apparent in observations (but little overlap in distance range for class C and D)

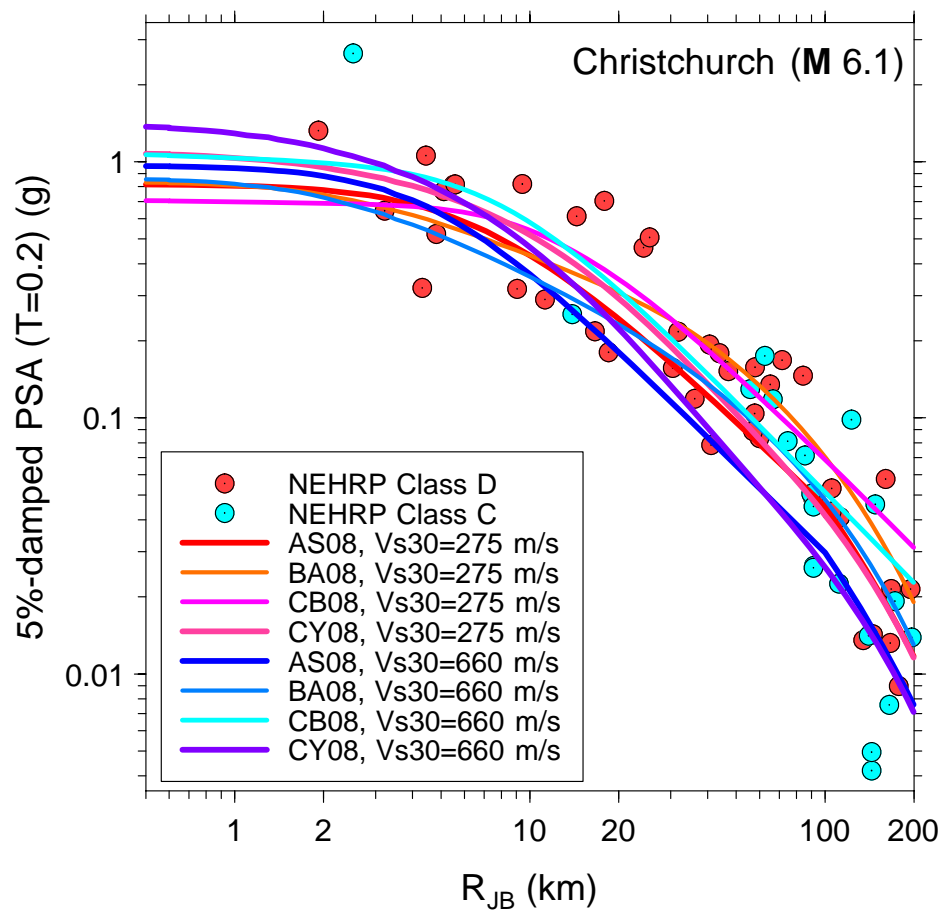


- GMPEs underpredict observations (except class C at greater distances)
- Site effect in GMPEs, but not apparent in observations (but little overlap in distance range for class C and D)

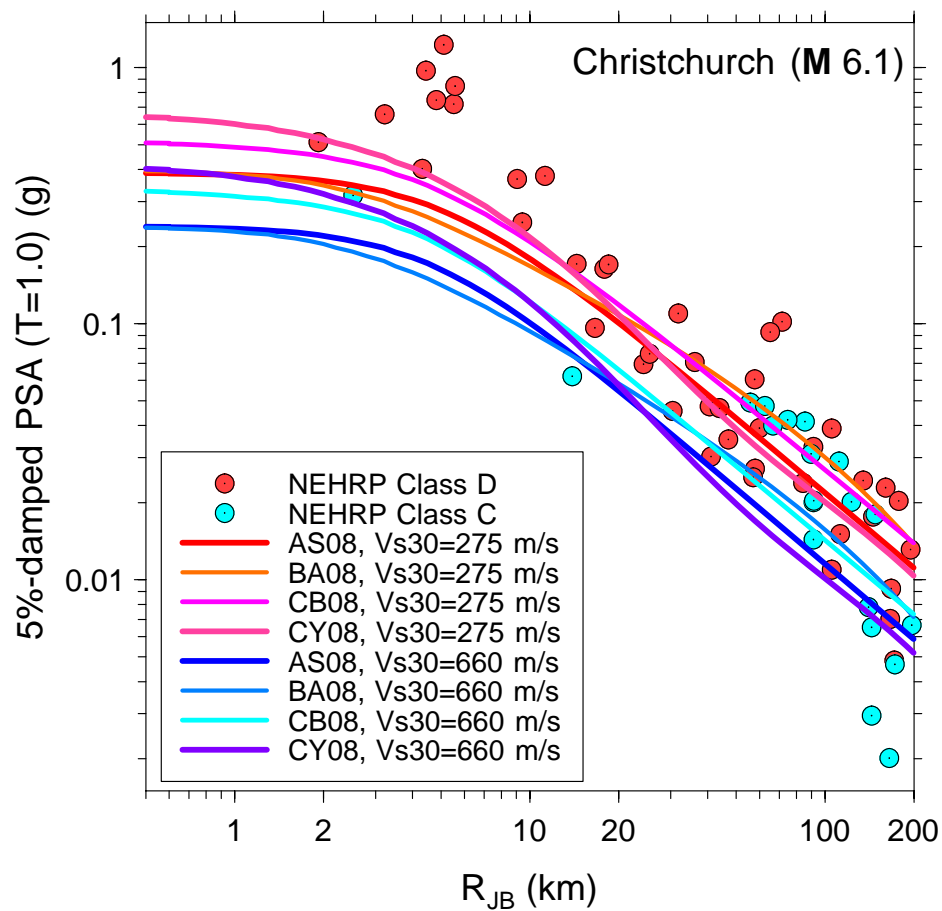


Comparison of Observed Motions and Motions from NGA- W1 GMPEs: Christchurch

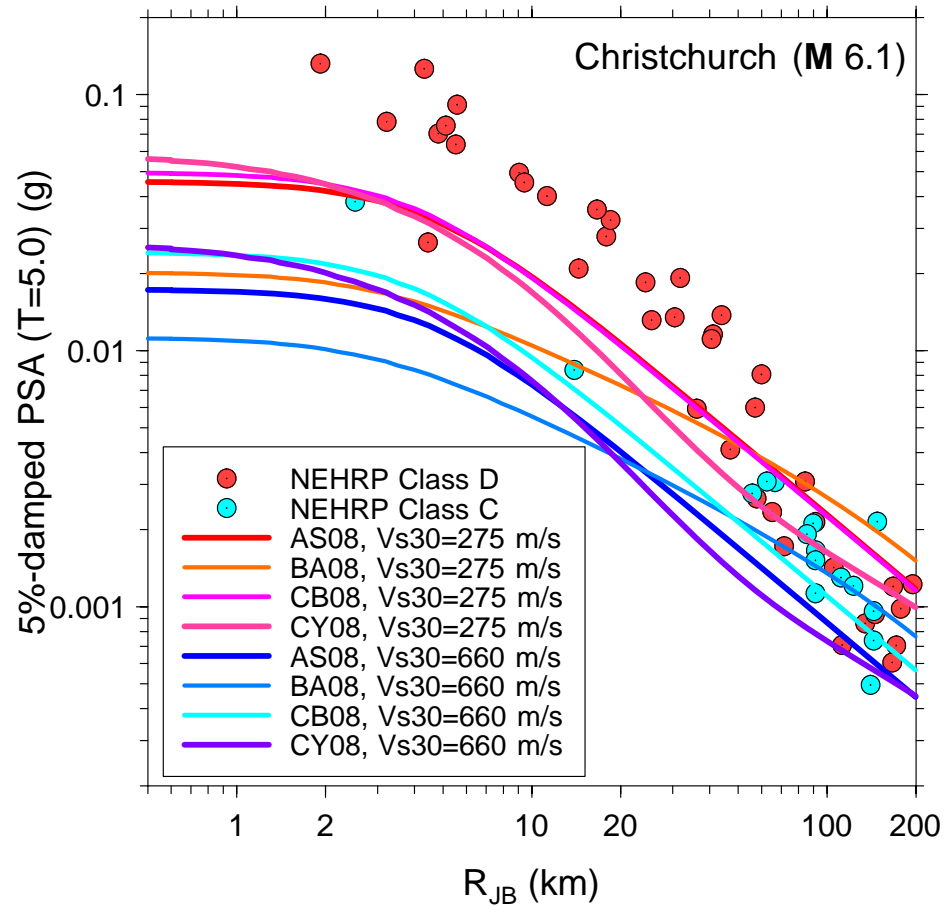
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- GMPEs tend to underpredict class D motions at close distances
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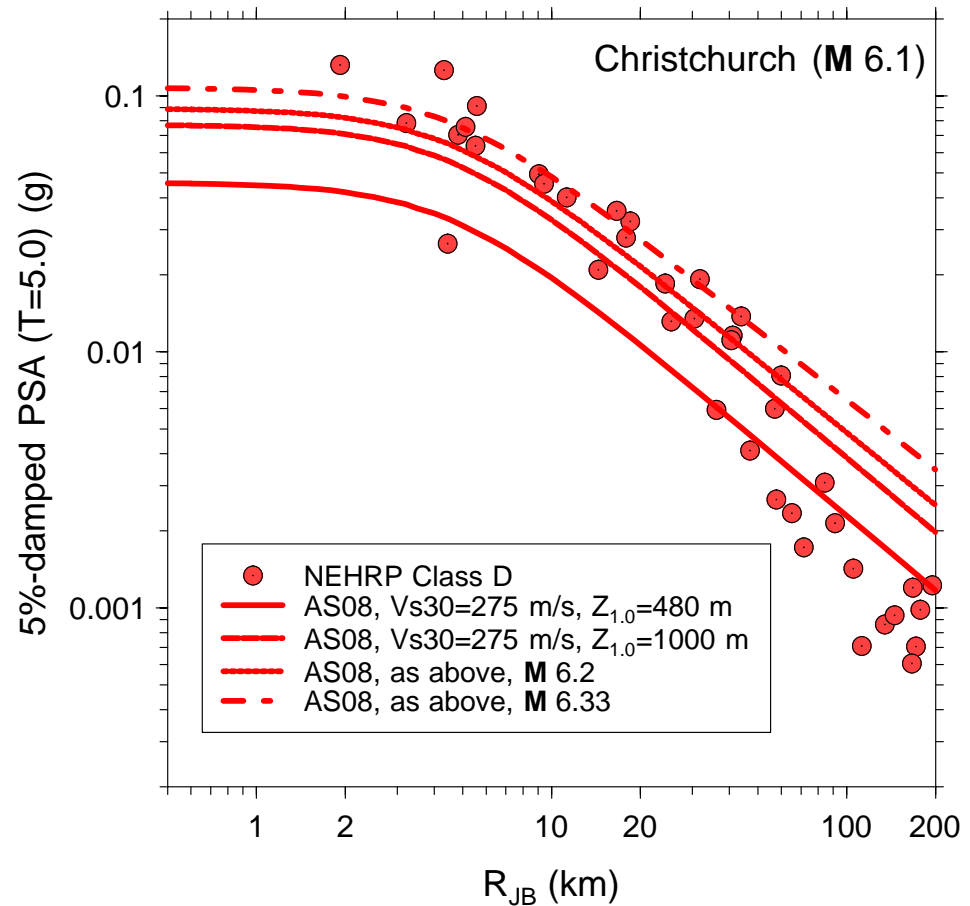


- GMPEs severely underpredict observations at shorter distances
- Agreement better for greater distances
- Site effect in GMPEs, but not apparent in observations (but little overlap in distance range for class C and D)

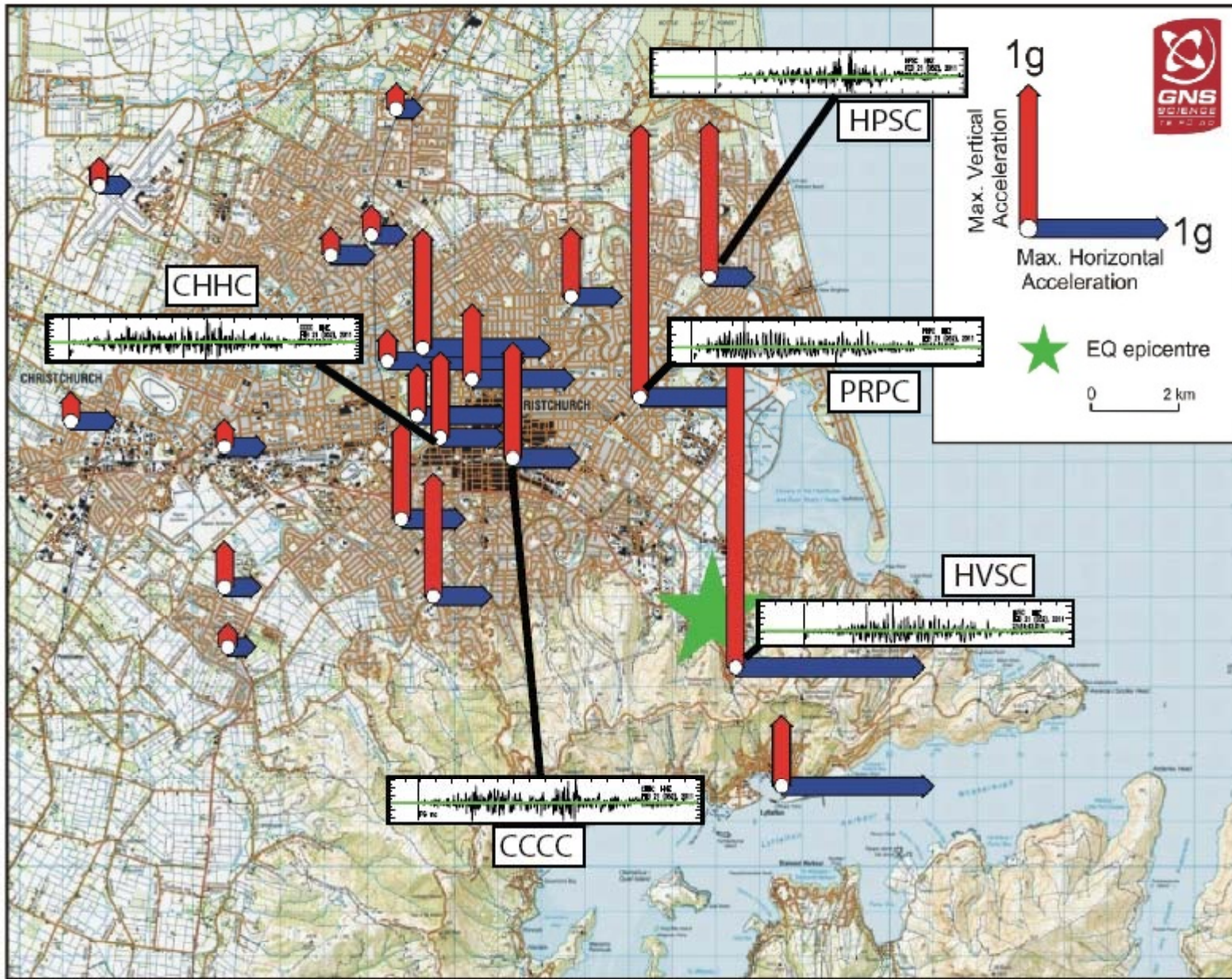


Sensitivity of Predicted $T=5$ s PSA
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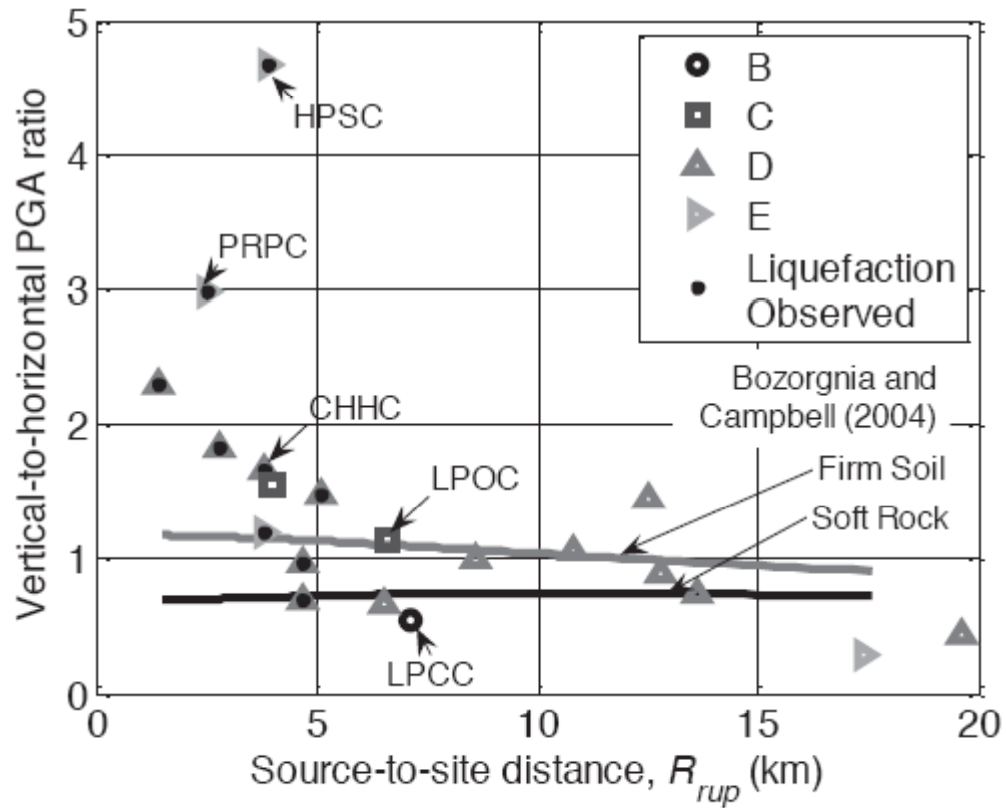
- Show AS08 and class D only
- $Z_{1.0}=1000$ m from Bradley & Cuprinovski (2011)
- **M** 6.33 from Holden (2011)
- Use of these data in NGA-W2 without $Z_{1.0}$ and larger **M** could result in biased results.
- Does $Z_{1.0}$ vary spatially, with it being smaller for stations at greater distances? If so, this would help explain the discrepancy at greater distance. This could also be due to a difference in geometrical spreading due to lateral changes in crustal structure.



Vertical Motion



(Fry et al., 2011)

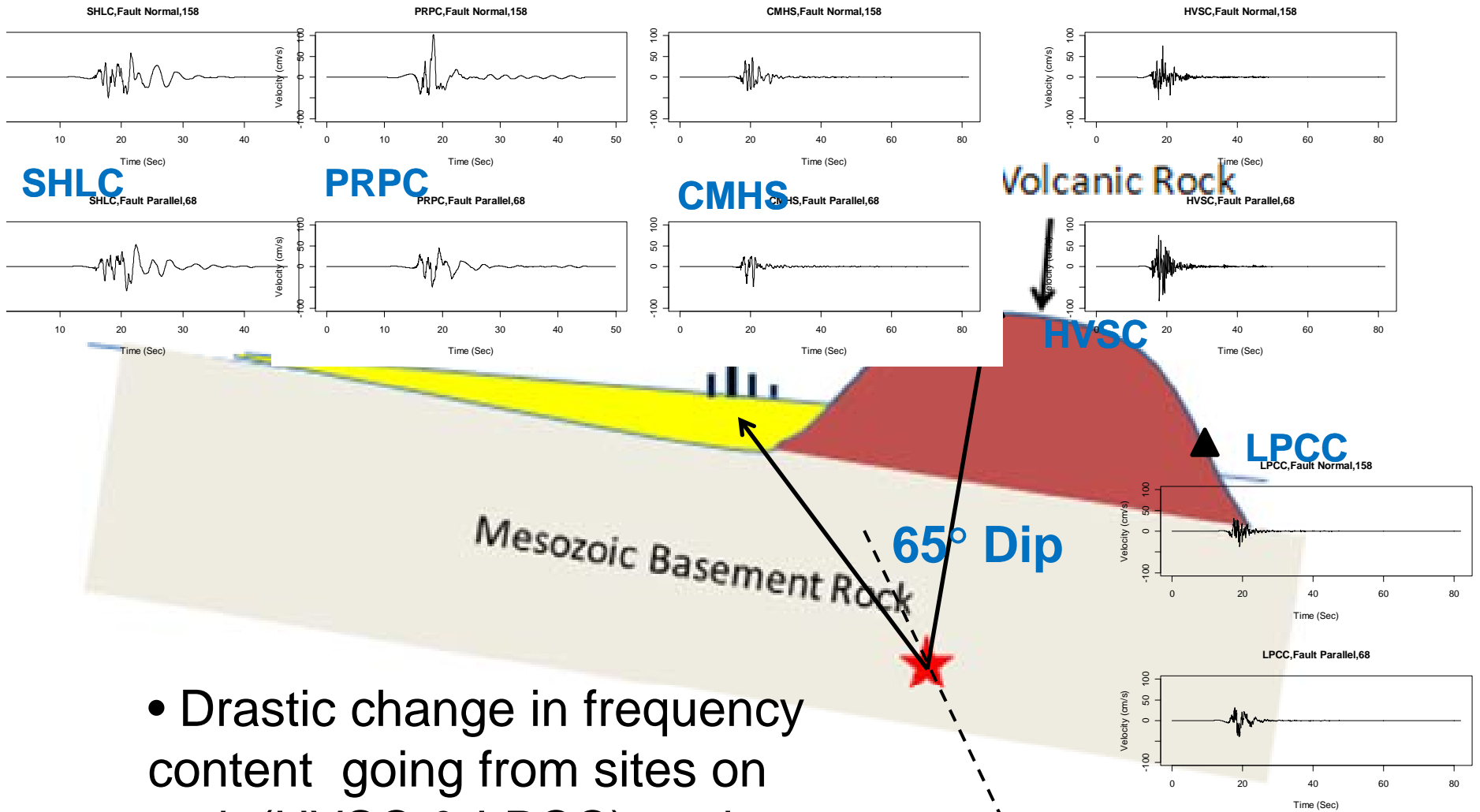


(Bradley & Cuprinovski, 2011)

Effects Producing Spatial Variability in Ground Motions

- Source: Radiation Pattern & Directivity
- Path: volcanic vs sediments
- Basin Waves
- Sediment Depth
- Shallow Site Response
 - Linear
 - Nonlinear

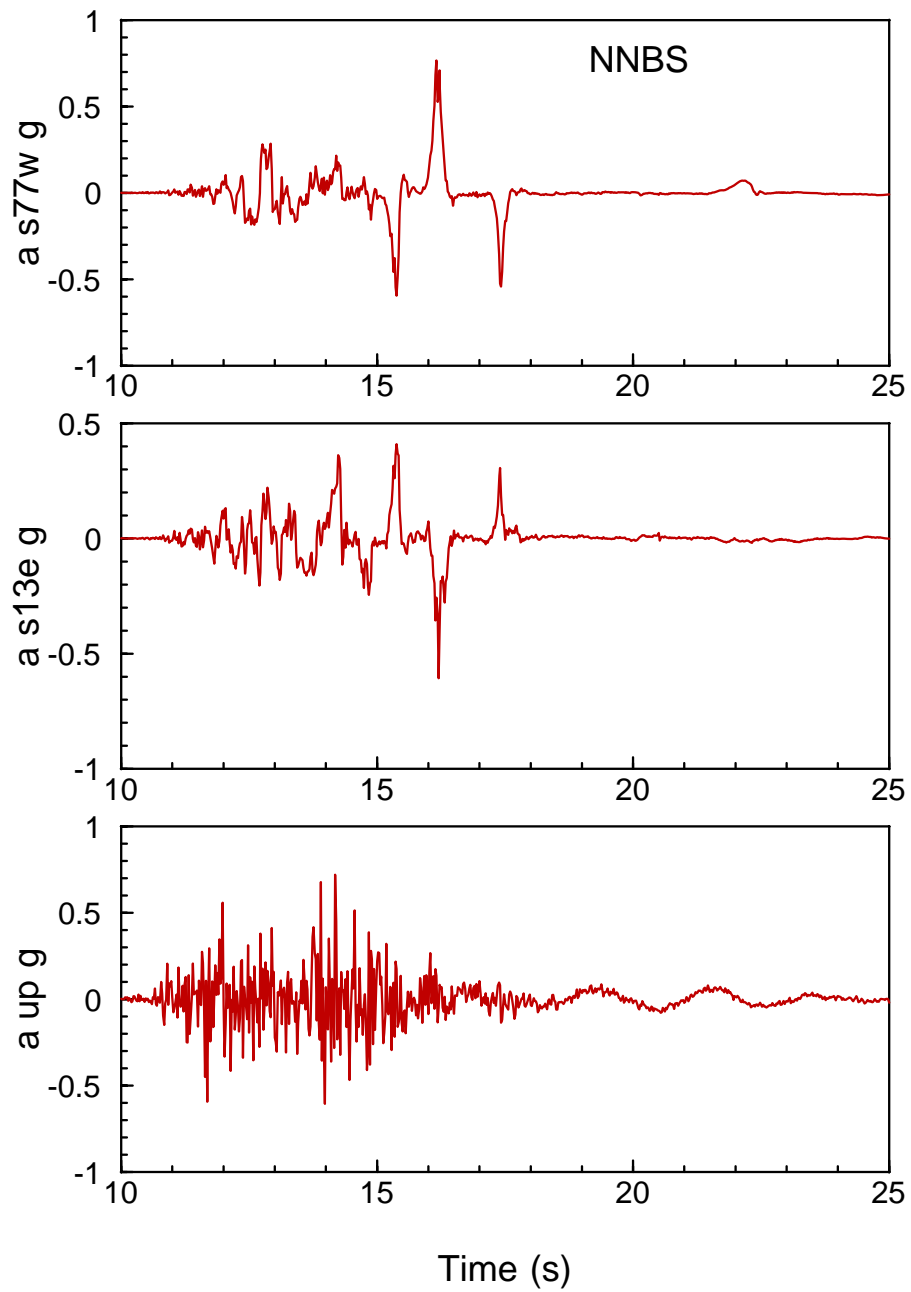
Fault Normal and Fault Parallel Velocity Time Series



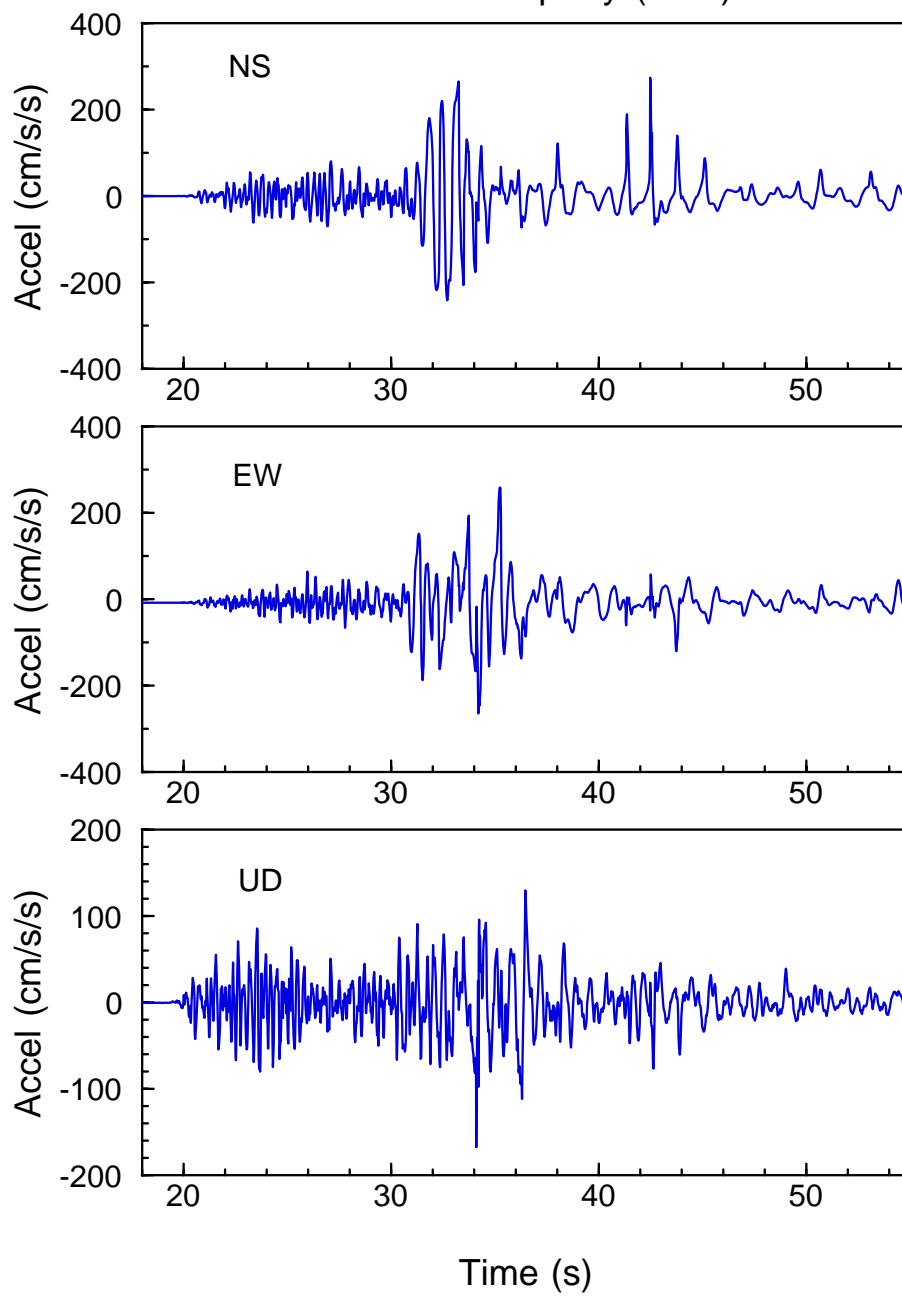
- Drastic change in frequency content going from sites on rock (HVSC & LPCC) to sites on Quaternary sediments.

(from B. Chiou)

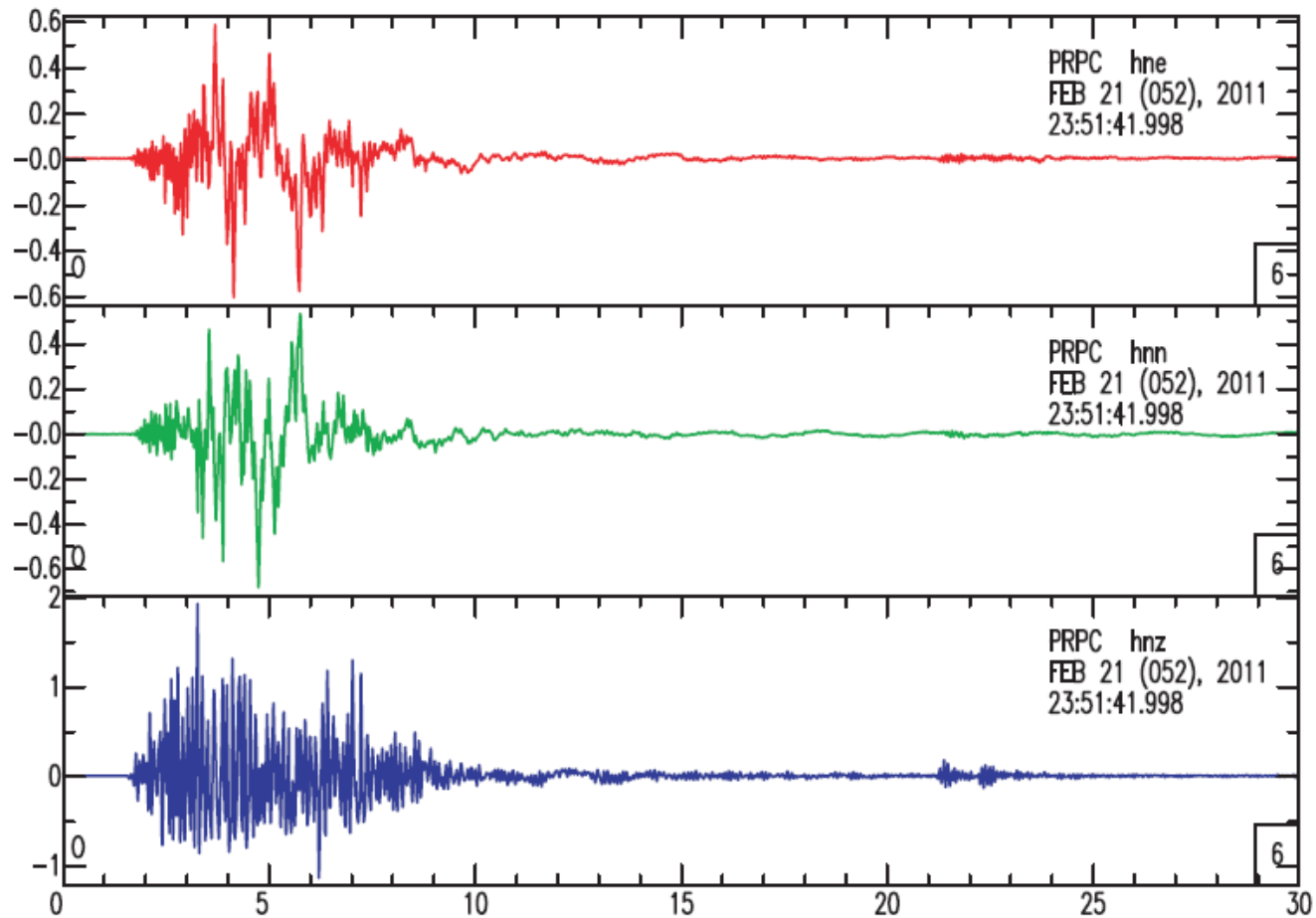
Evidence for Nonlinear Soil Response



2001 M 6.8 Nisqually (SDS)



(see Frankel et al., 2002, for details)



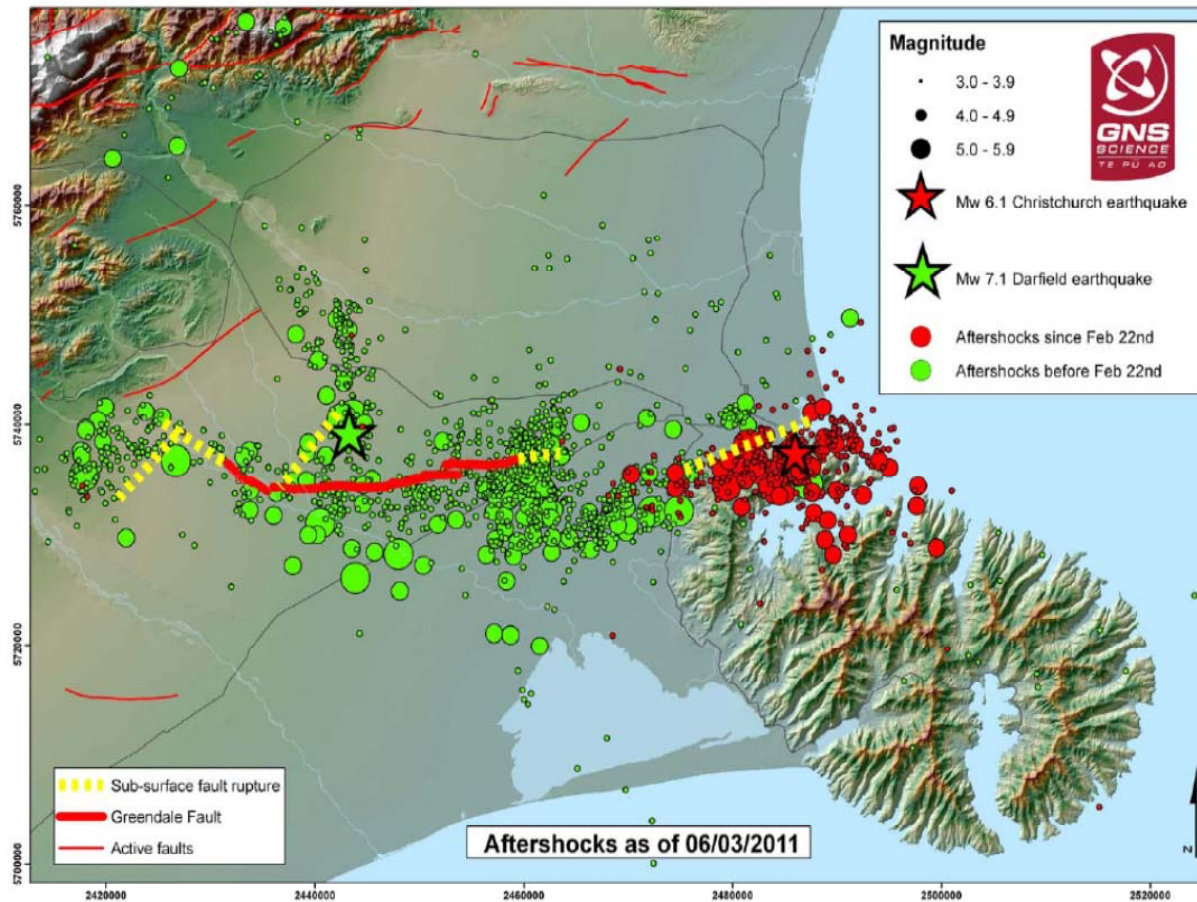
Negative vertical accelerations are “clipped”. This may be due to a different nonlinear process than that producing the cusps shown in the previous figures.

(Fry et al., 2011)

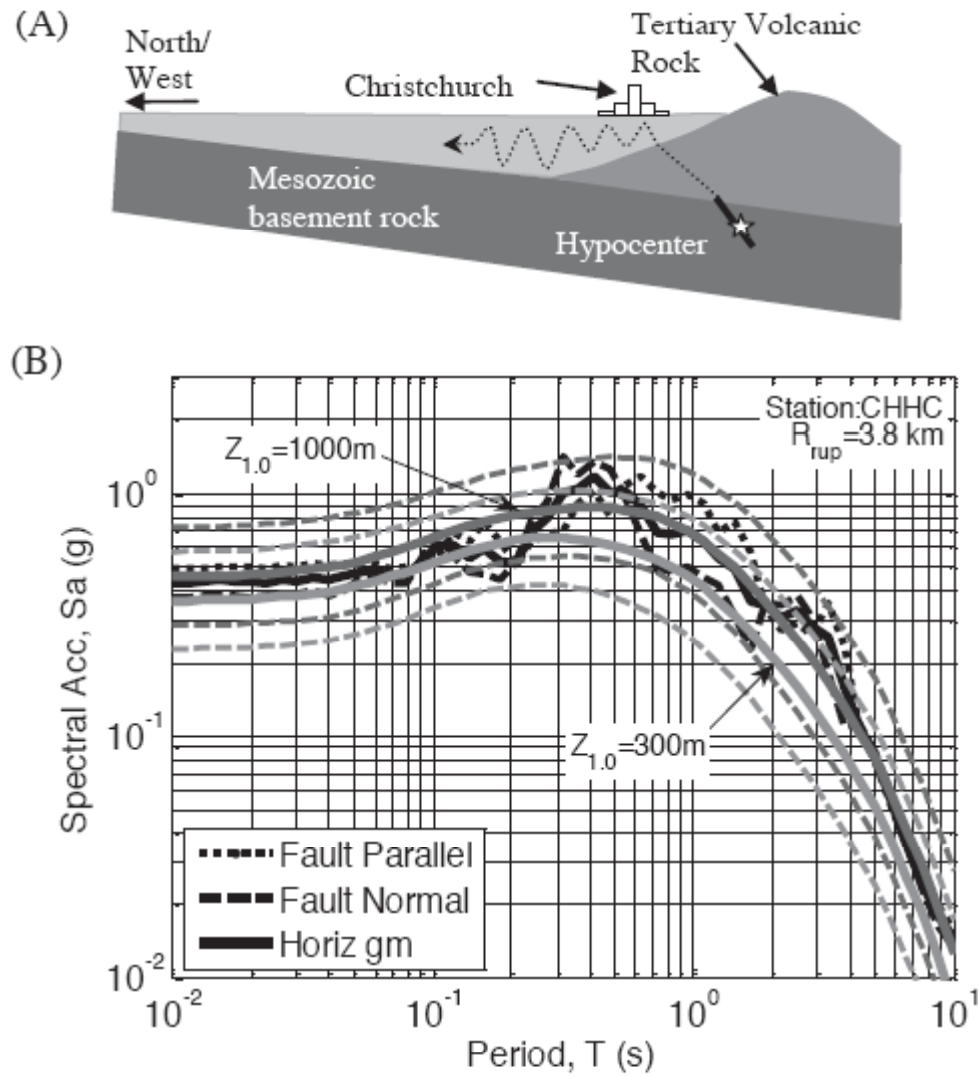
Conclusions

- **M** 7.0 Darfield and **M** 6.1 Christchurch motions similar for close distances, short periods
- **M** 7.0 Darfield motions higher than **M** 6.1 Christchurch motions for longer periods (as expected from the difference in magnitudes)
- Site response not too obvious, but this may be because of the different spatial distributions of the site classes (most close sites are class D)
- Observed motions influenced by many effects, including
 - Lateral changes in geology
 - Local linear and nonlinear site response
 - Basin waves (?)
- GMPEs are in reasonable agreement with observations for close distances, short periods
- GMPEs underpredict longer period motions, using metadata in current NGA-W2 flatfile

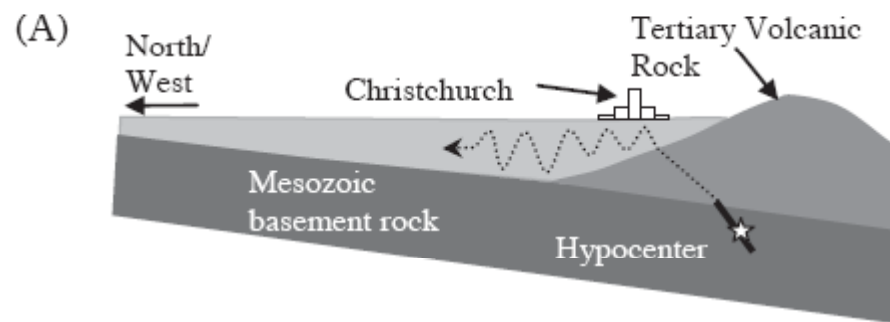
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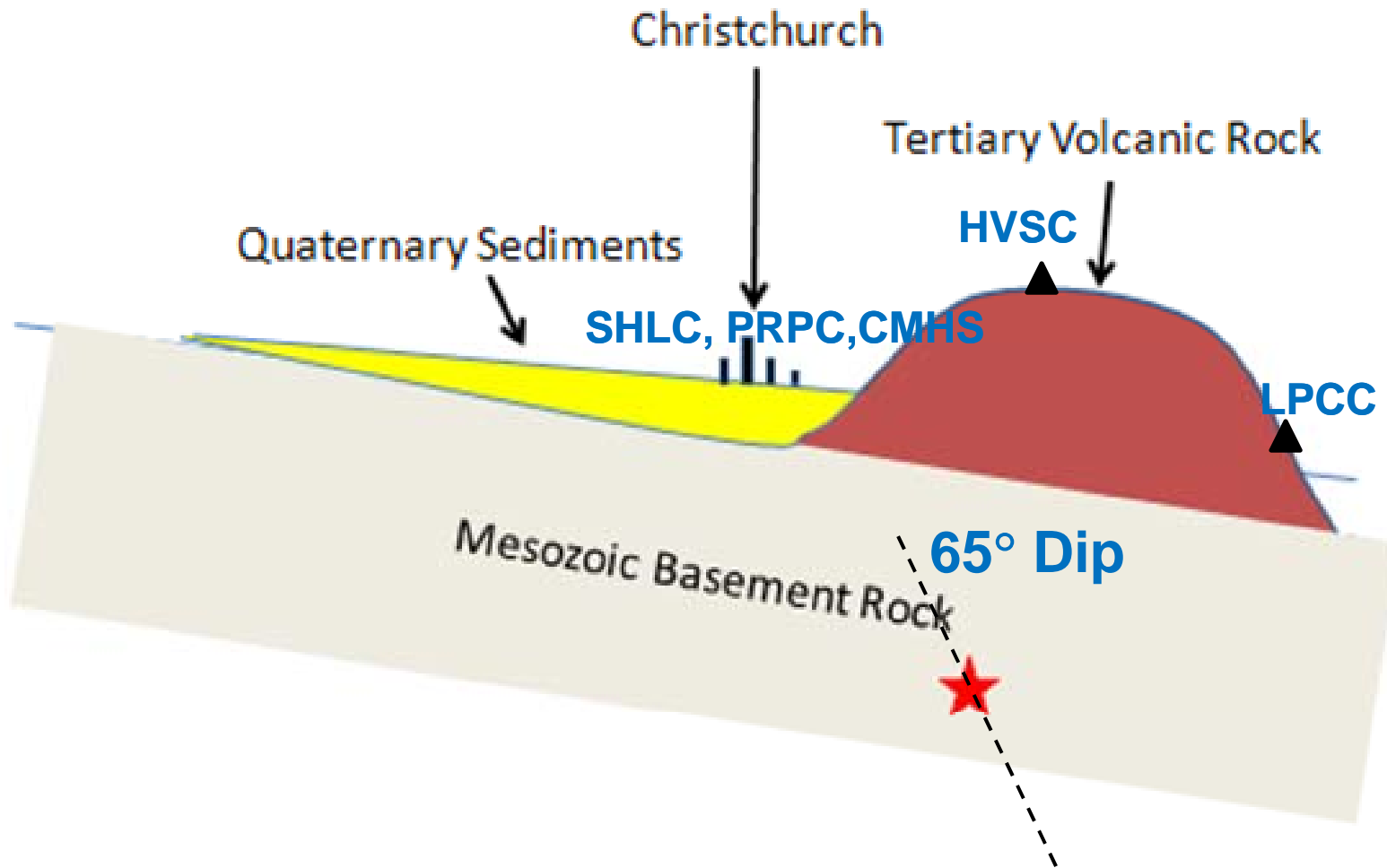


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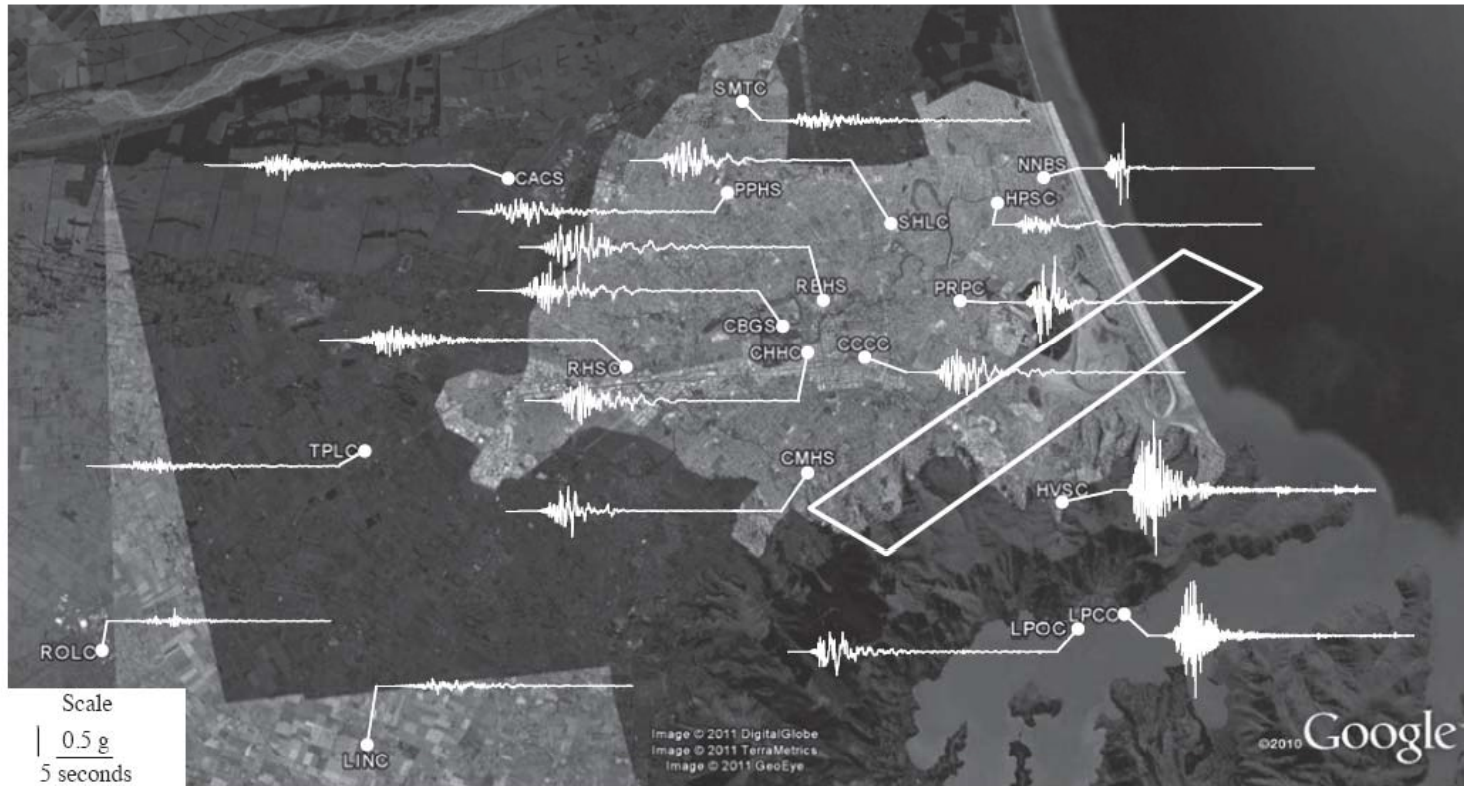
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Directivity Effect and Velocity Pulse

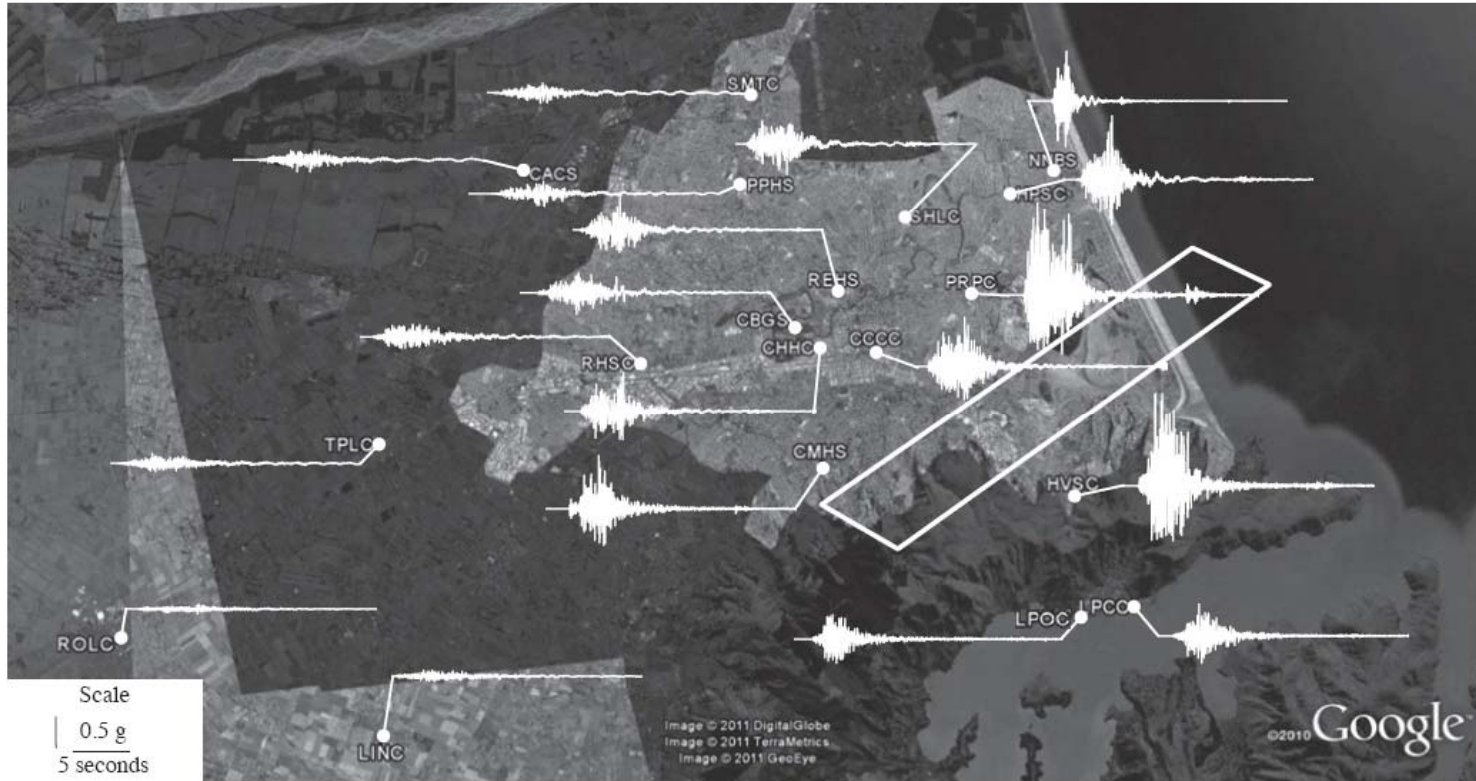


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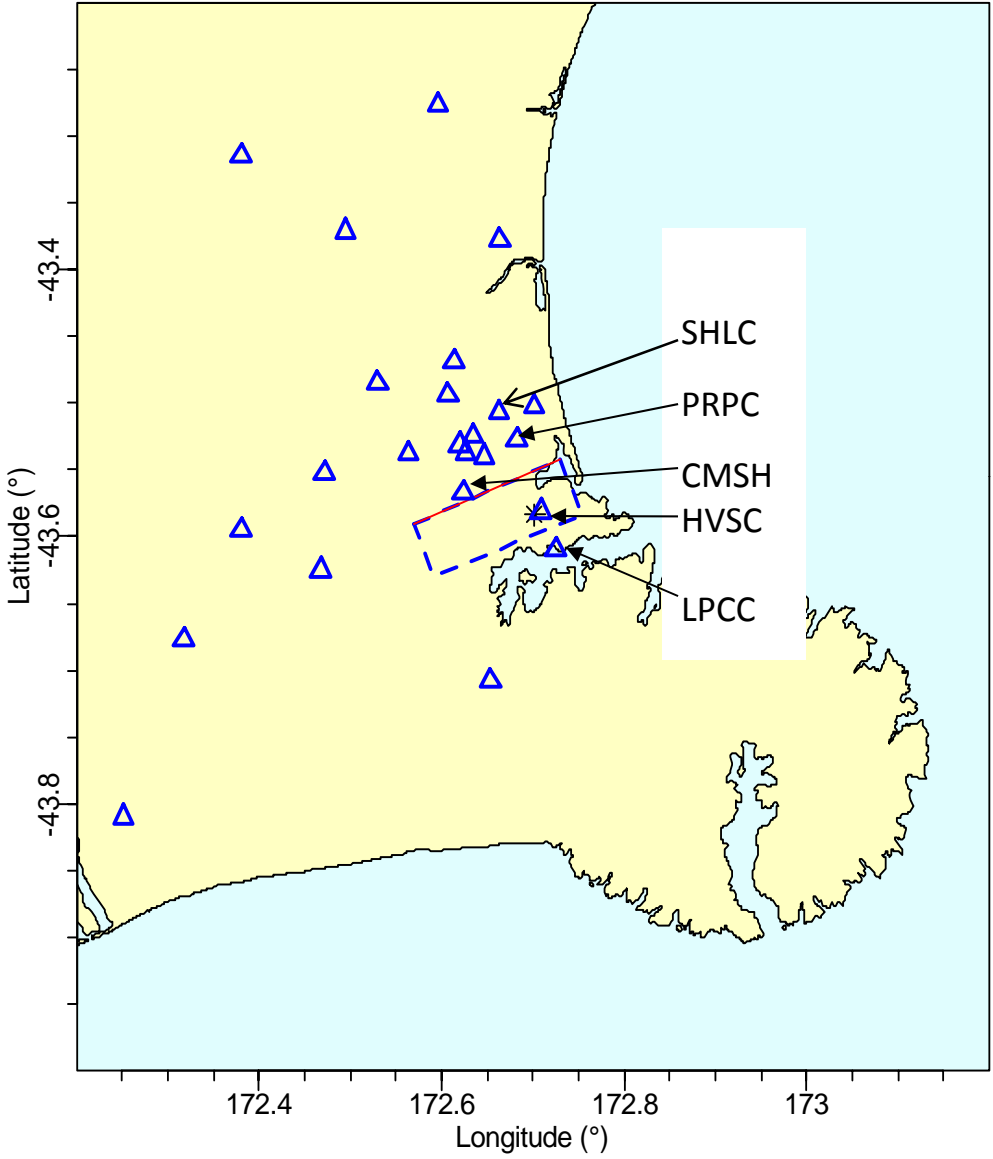


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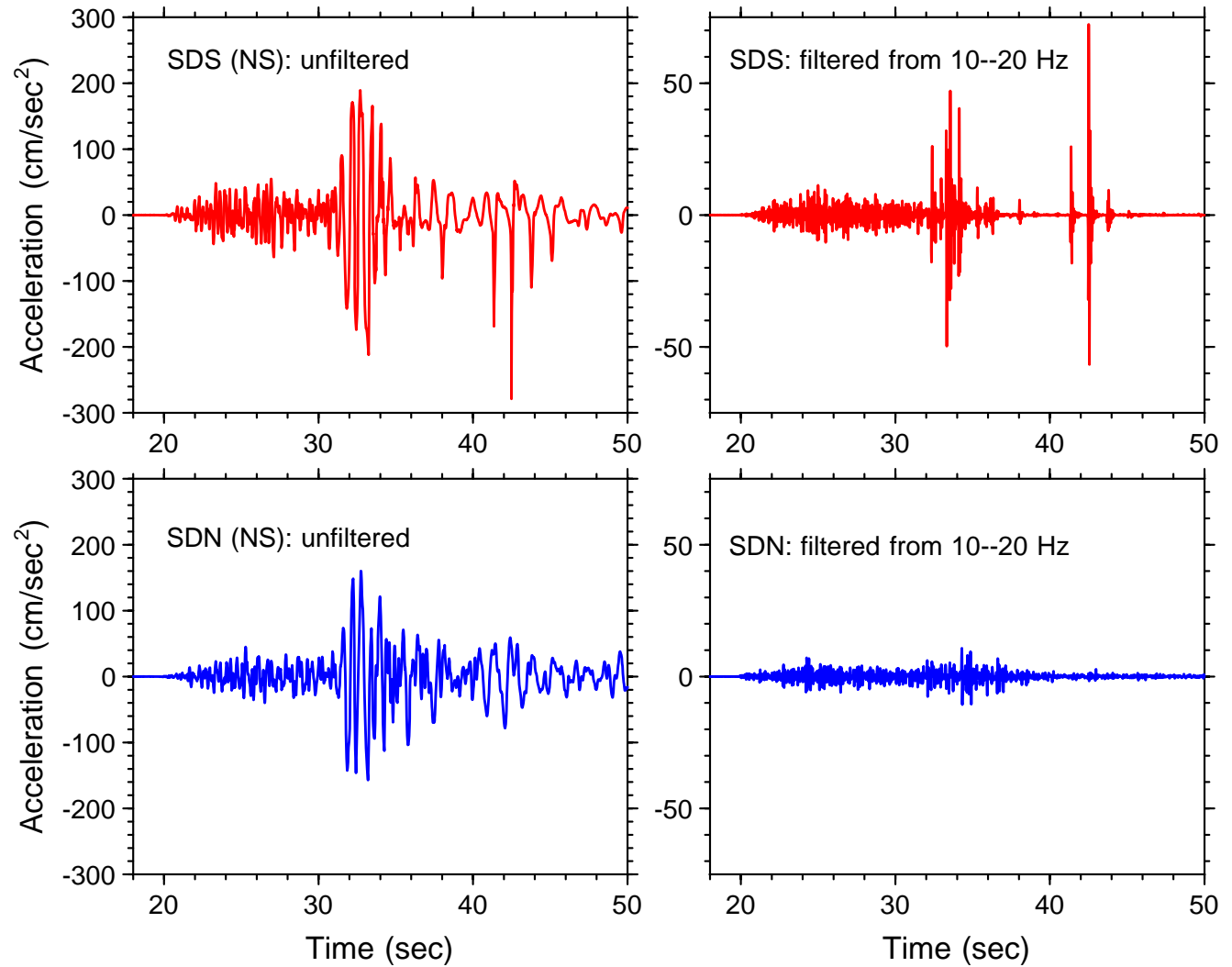
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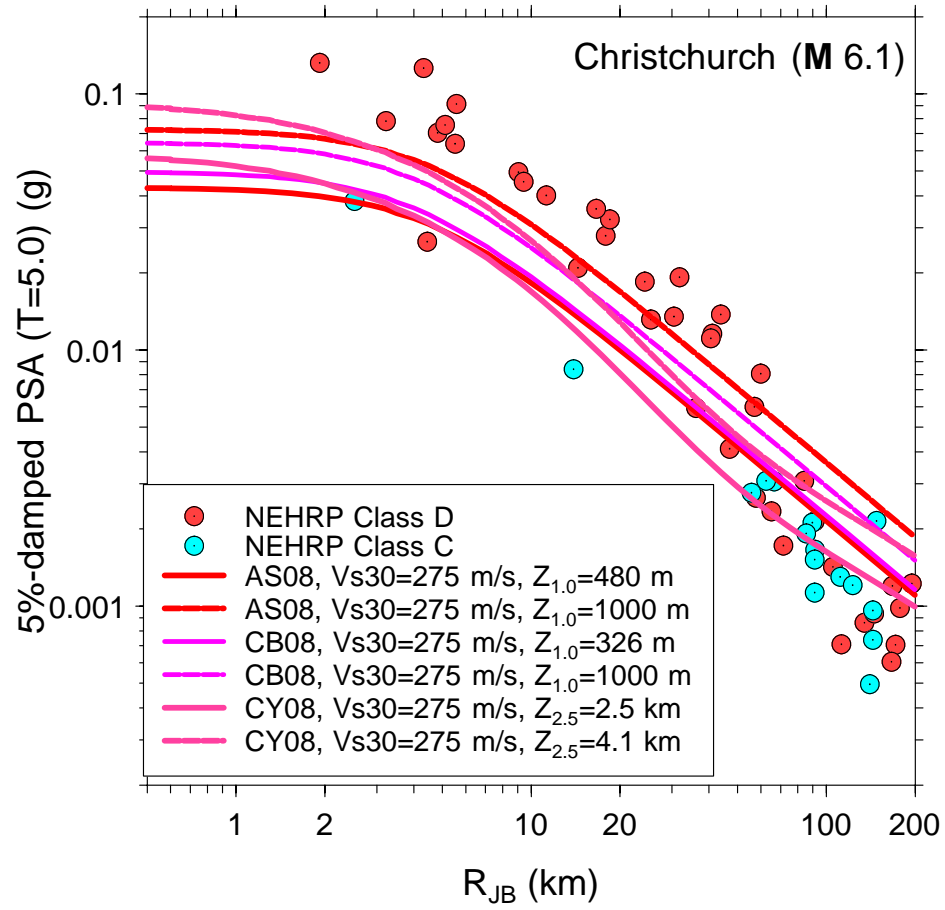
- Reverse faulting on a buried fault
- Assumed fault plane
 - Strike = 68° (from USGS CMT)
 - 65° dip, to the south
 - Top of rupture is at 2 km depth (assumed)
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 - Rupture length \sim 15 km (length of the aftershock zone).

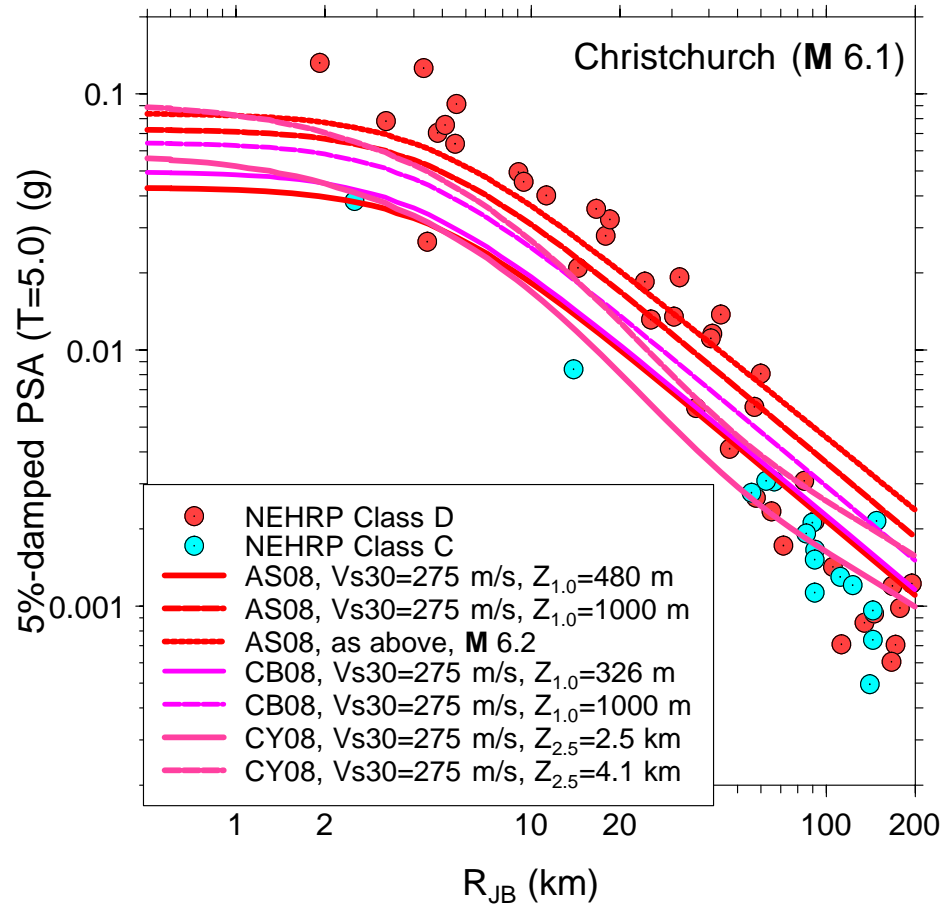
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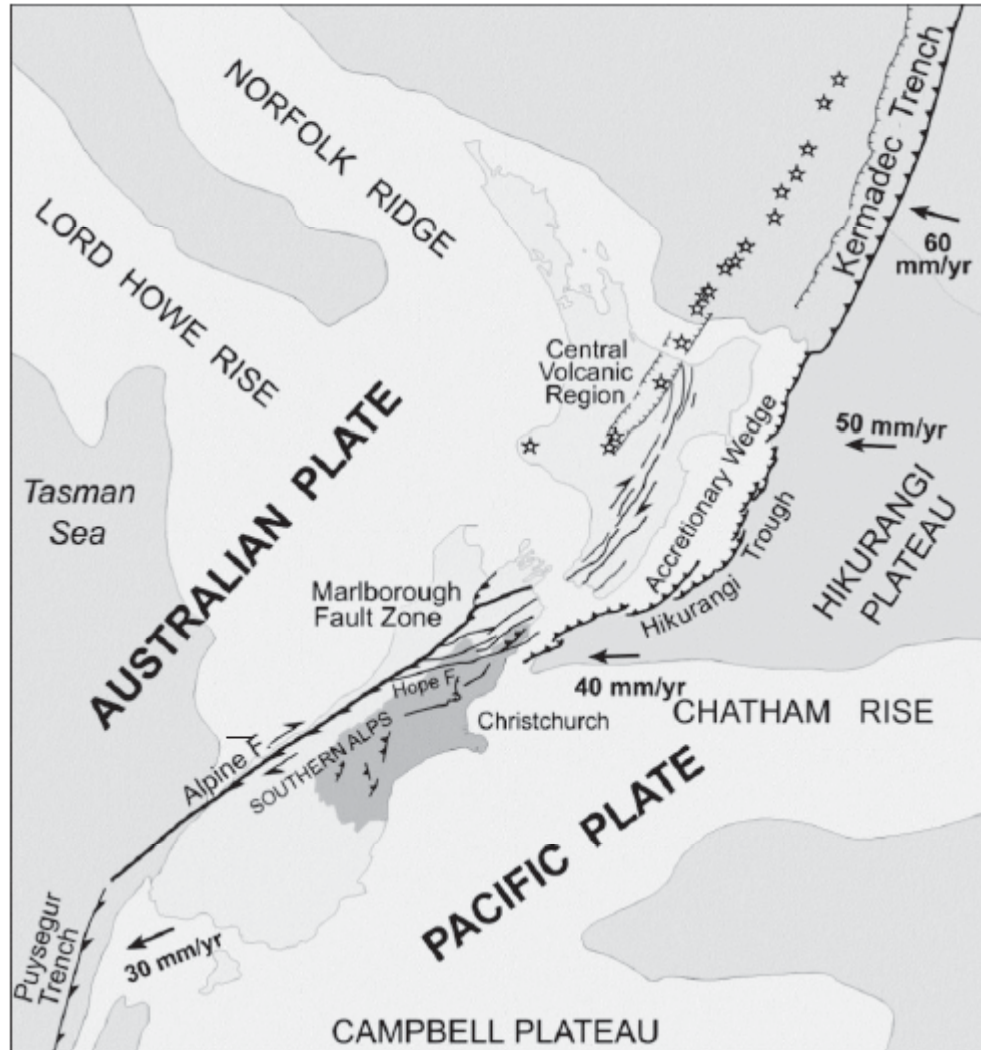
2001 Nisqually, Washington, earthquake (M 6.8)

- SDS within 200 m of SDN
- liquefaction at SDS, not at SDN
- Note cusps at SDS and increased amplitude at high frequencies



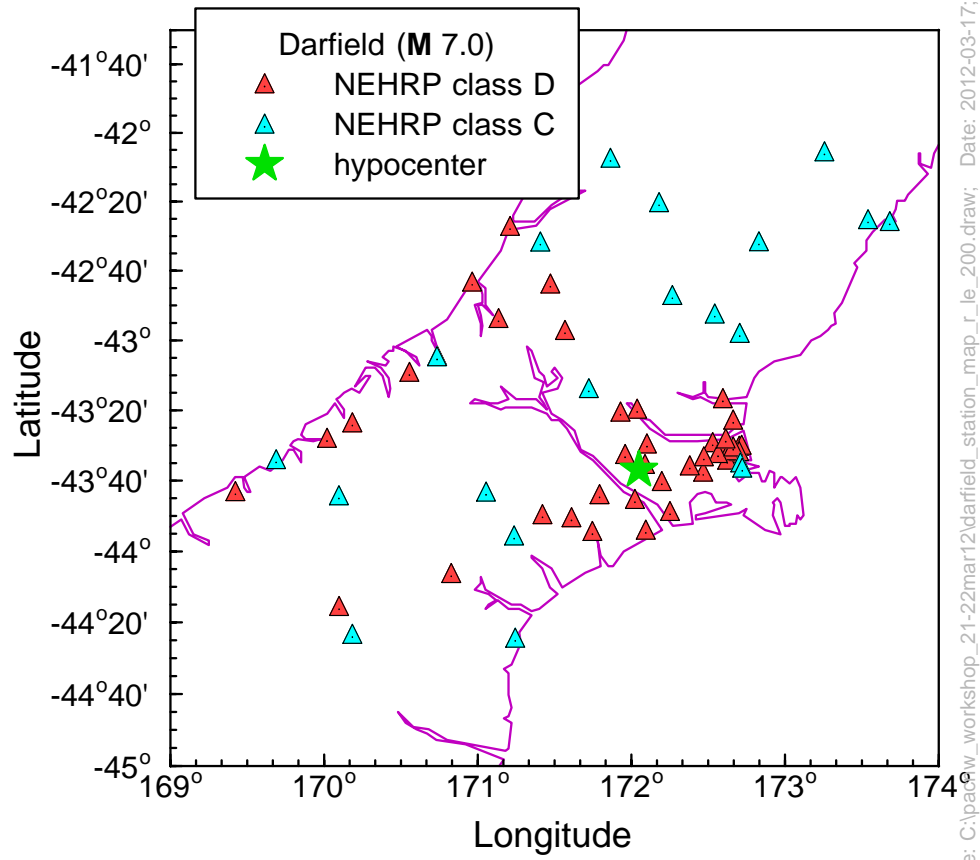


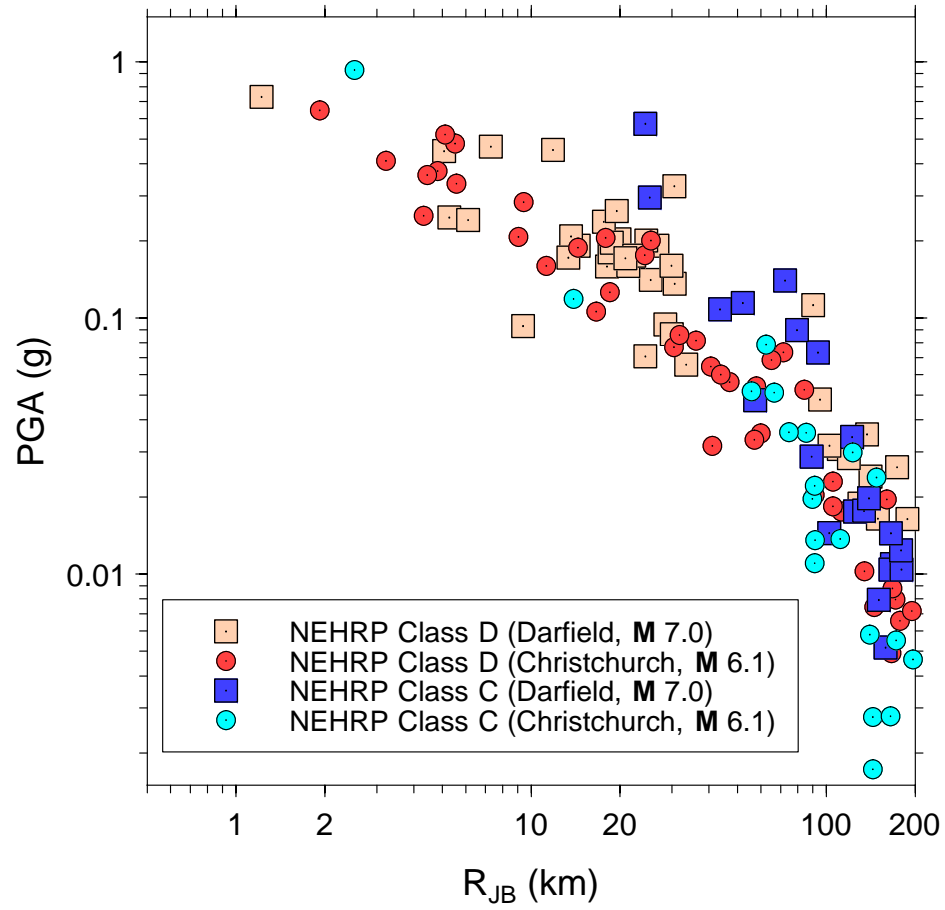


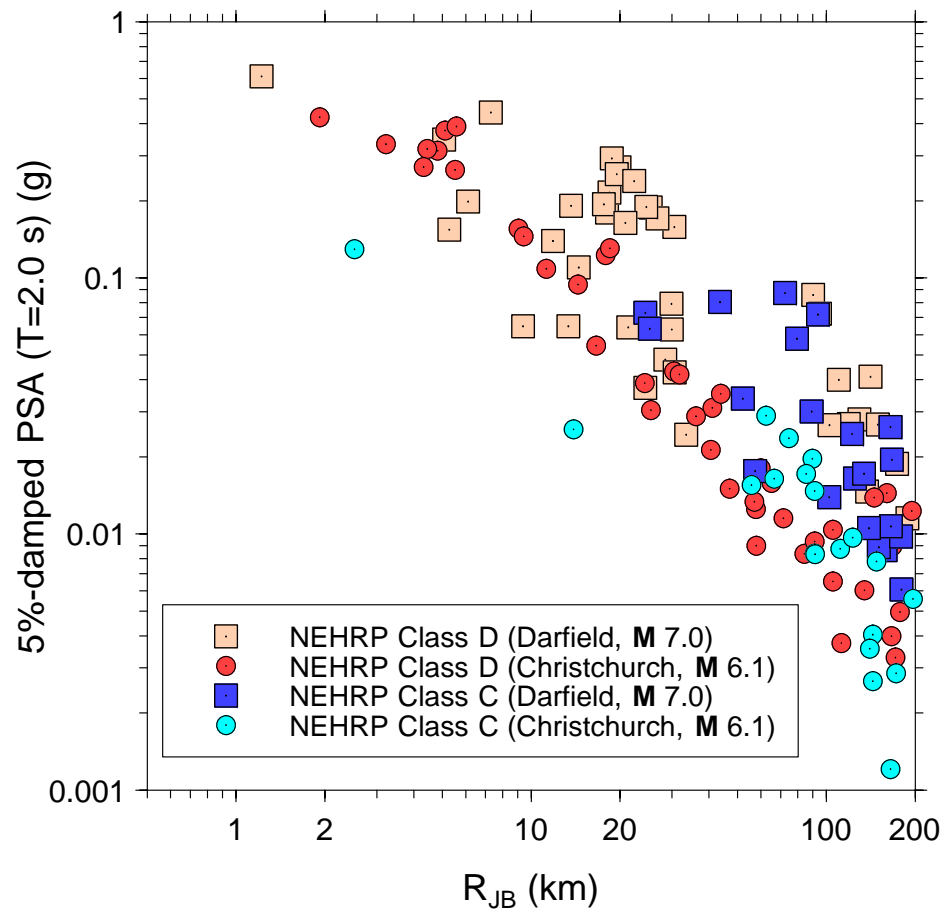


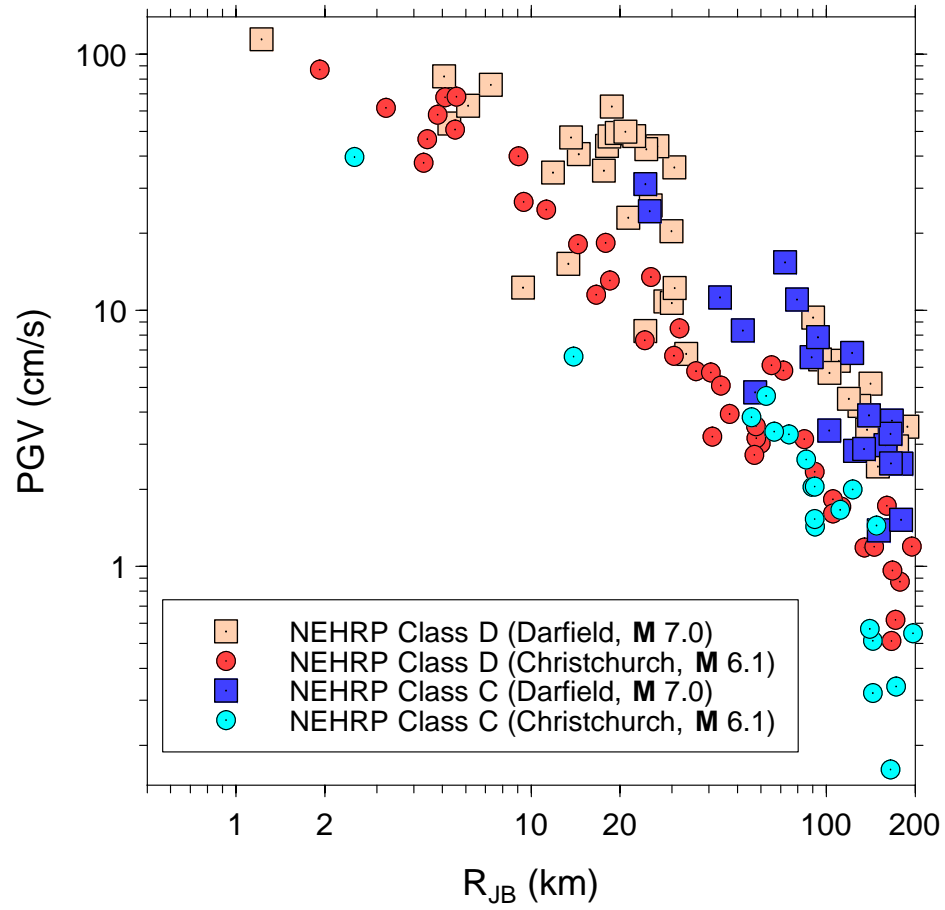
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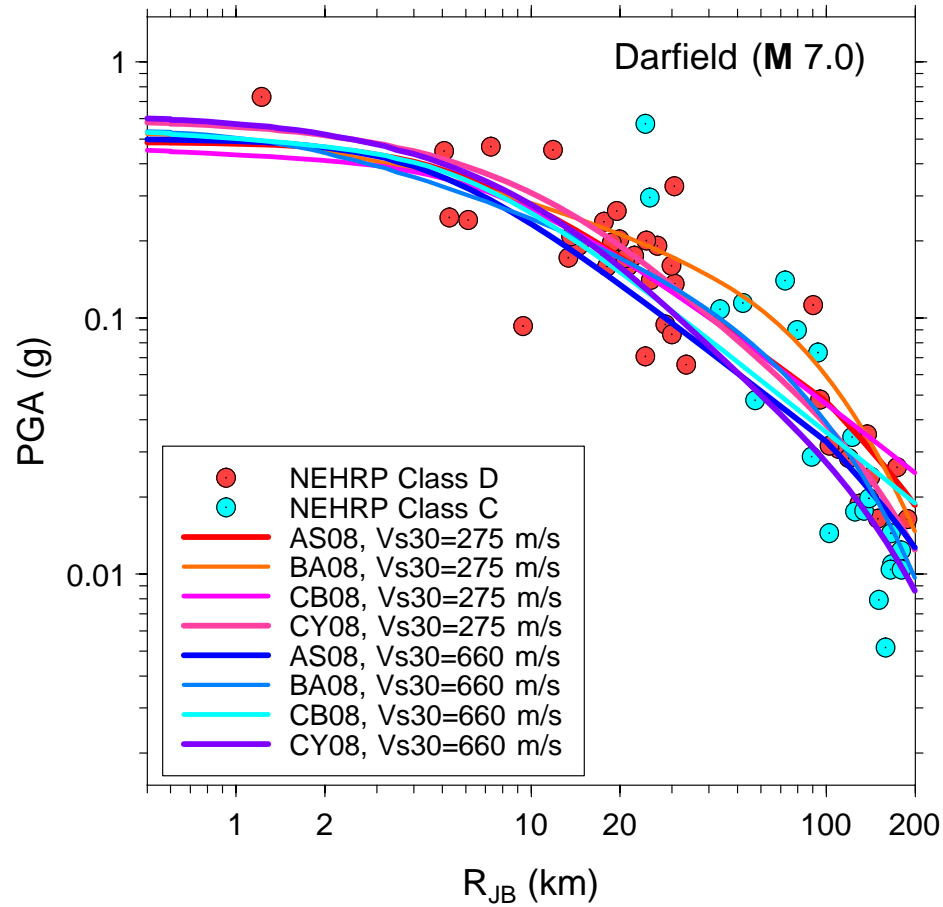


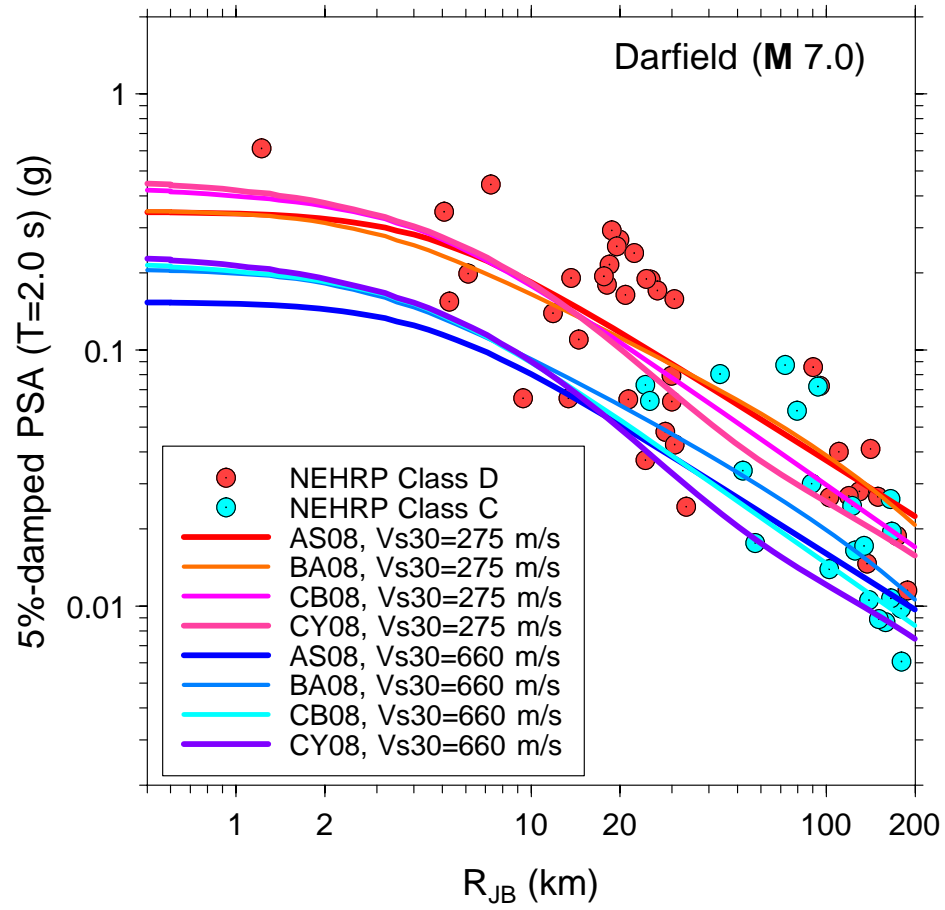


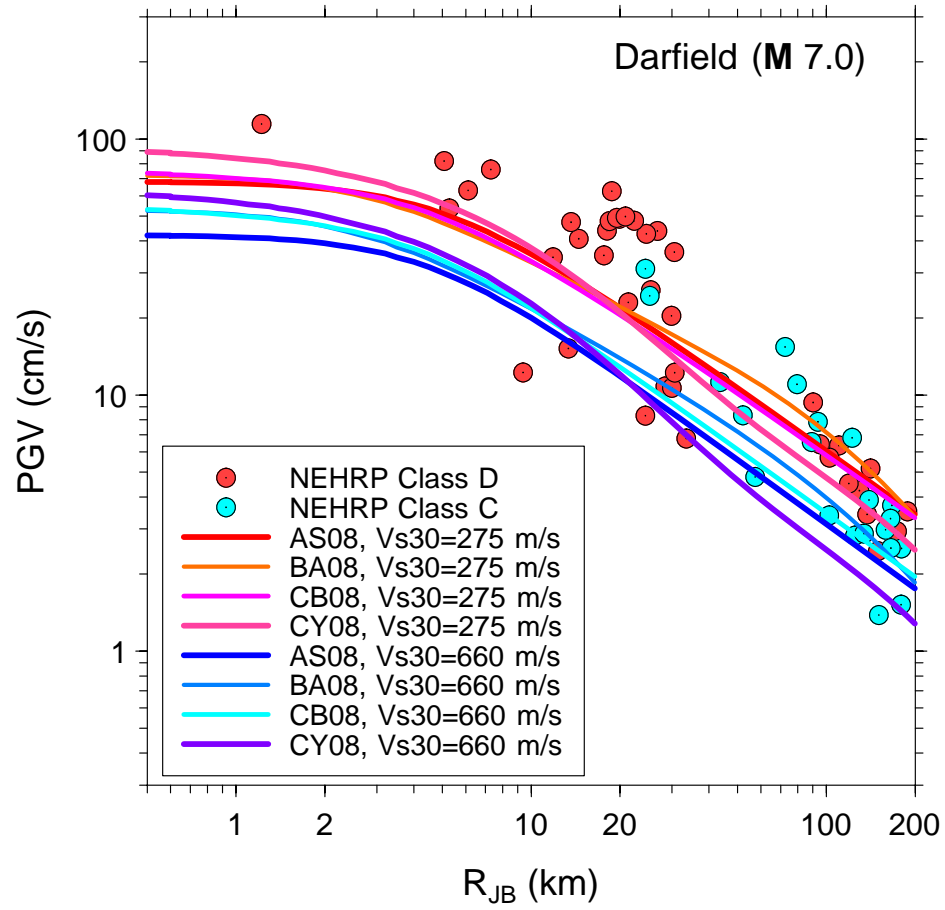
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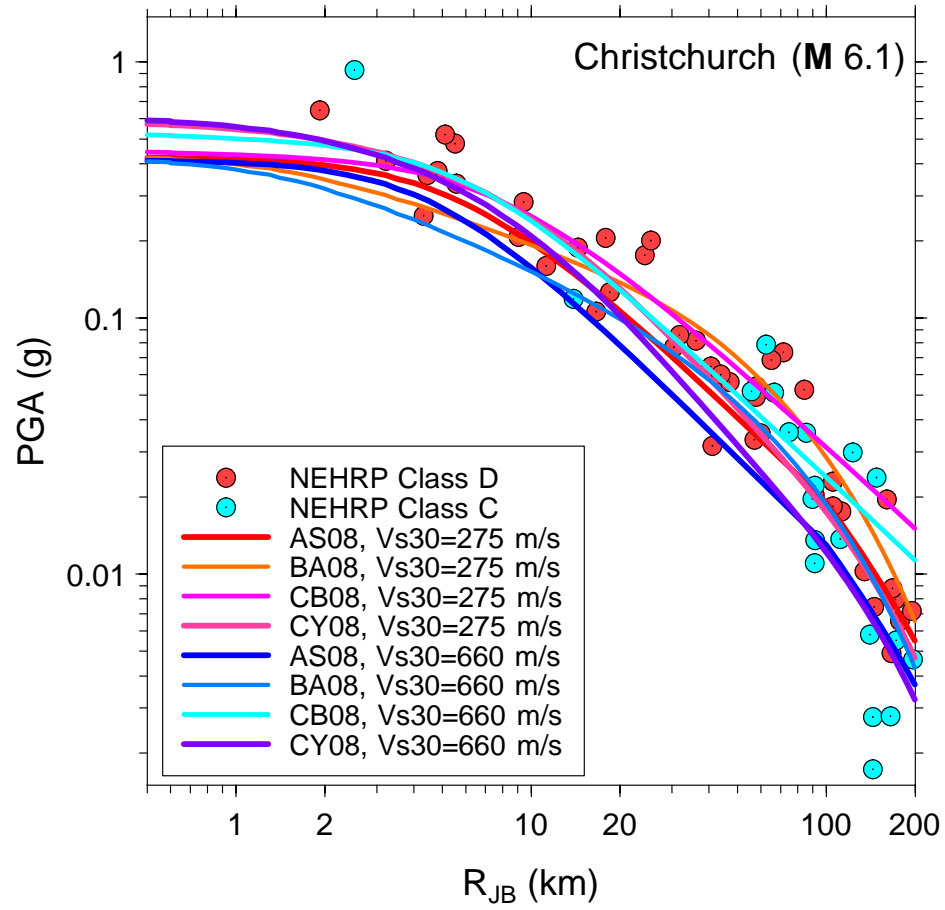
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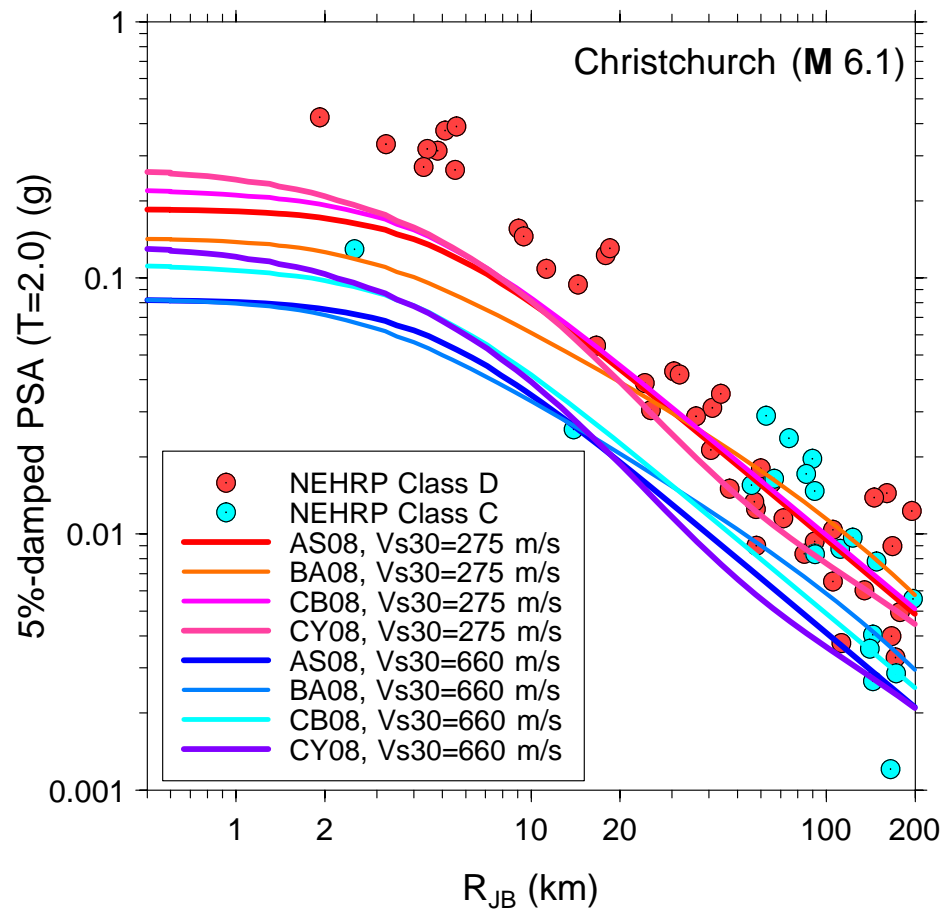
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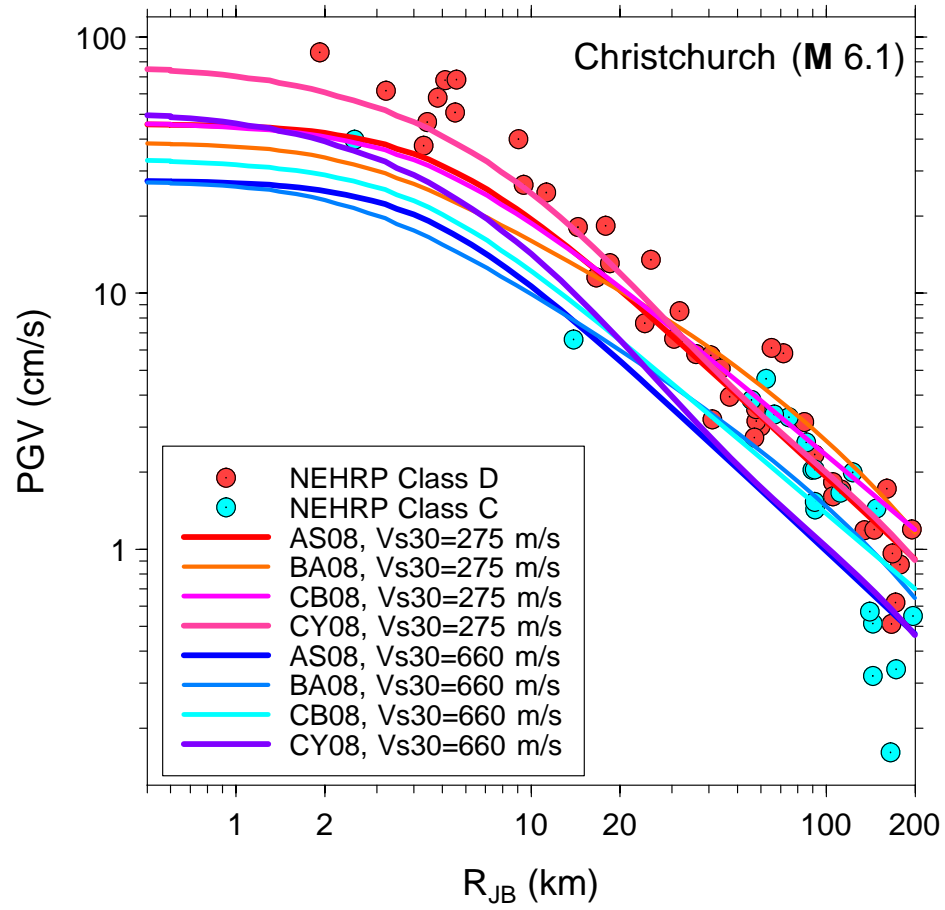


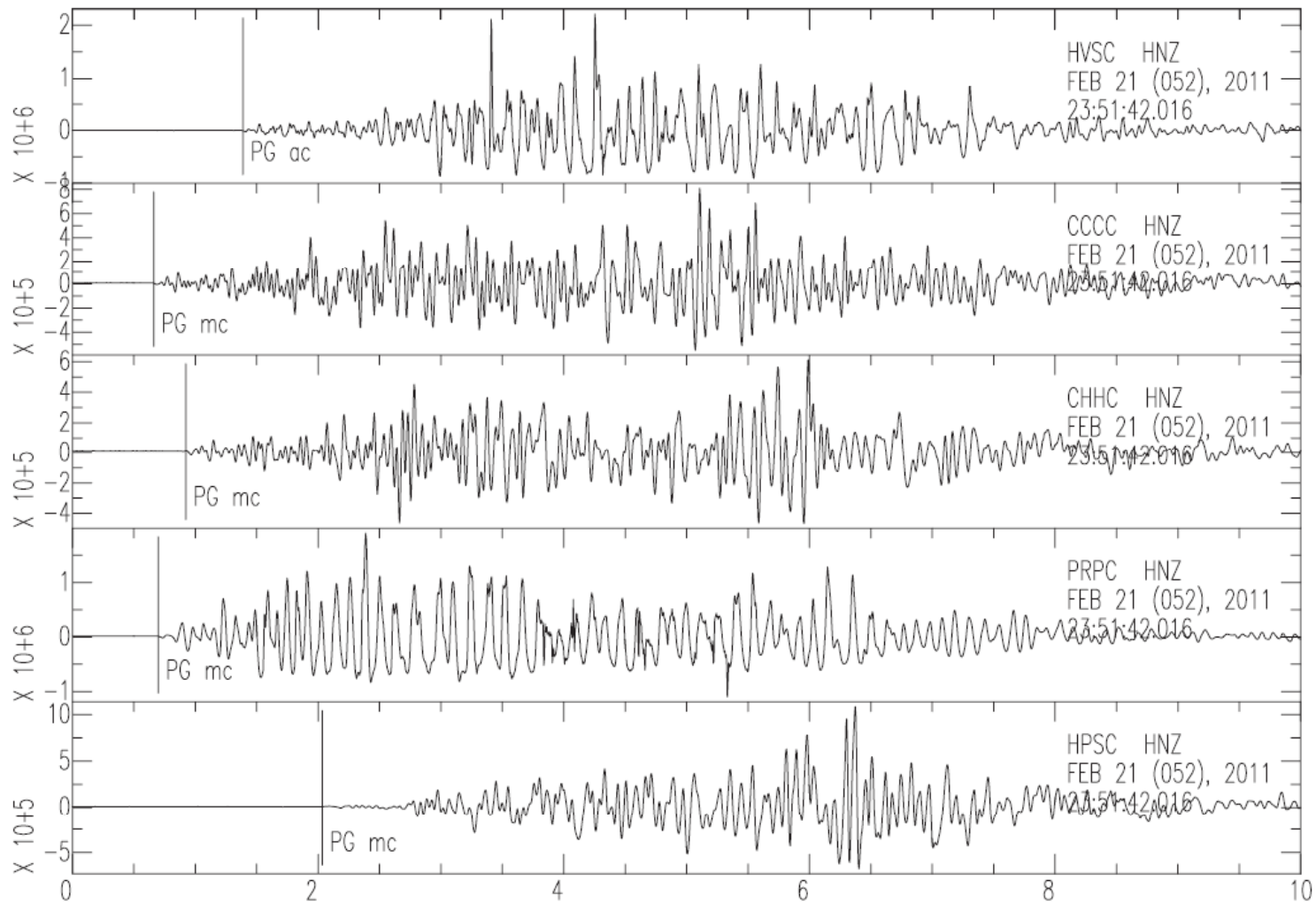












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