

# Let's talk nonlinearity:

## 3D Simulation of Seismic Response of the Long Valley Embankment Dam, California

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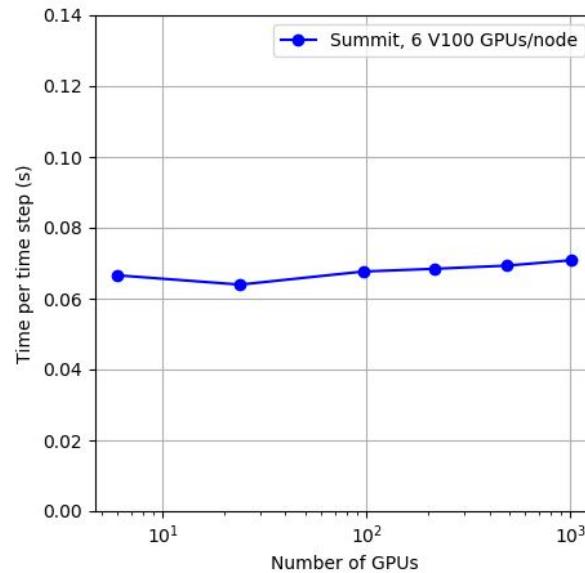
California Geological Survey

# AWP-ODC : 4<sup>th</sup>-order Scalable Finite Difference code

Summit supercomputers at OLCF



- Frequency-dependent Q (Withers et al., 2015)
- Discontinuous mesh (Nie et al., 2017)
- Surface topography: O'Reilly, O., T.-Y. Yeh, K.B. Olsen, Z. Hu, A. Breuer, D. Roten, and C. Goulet (2022). A high-order finite difference method on staggered curvilinear grids for seismic wave propagation applications with topography, *Bull. Seis. Soc. Am.*, **112** (1), 3-22.



# Earthquake Shaking Effects on Embankment Dams

Van Norman dams, 1971 M 6.6 San Fernando (CA) earthquake

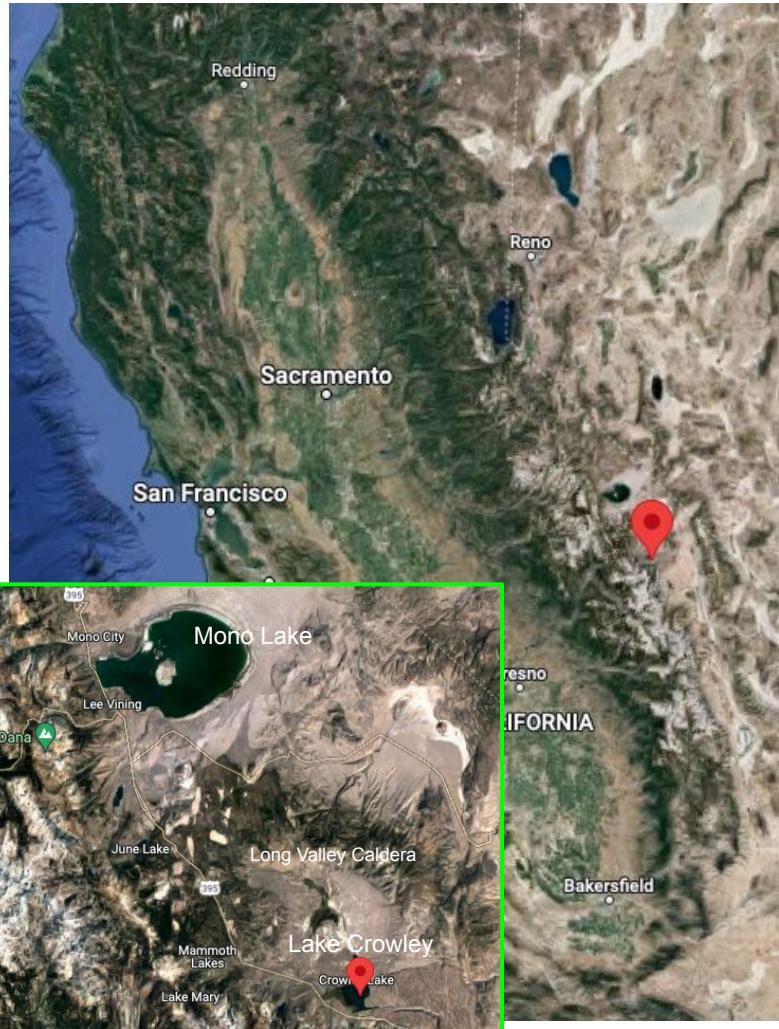


> 1,800 dams and reservoirs,  
2008 M 8 Wenchuan (China)



Fujinuma dam, 2011 M 9 Tohoku (Japan) earthquake

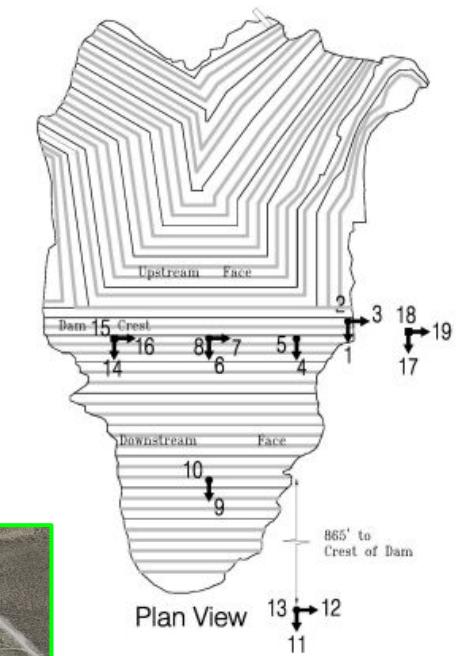
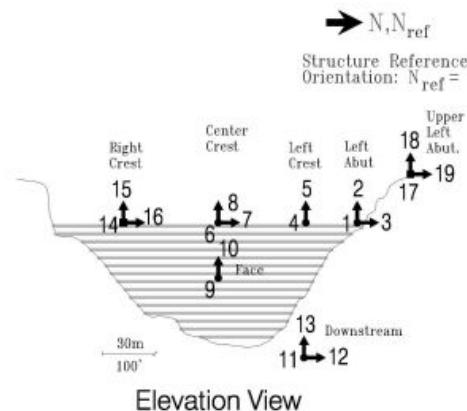




# CSMIP Strong motion data at Long Valley Dam

Lake Crowley - Long Valley Dam  
(CSMIP Station No. 54214)

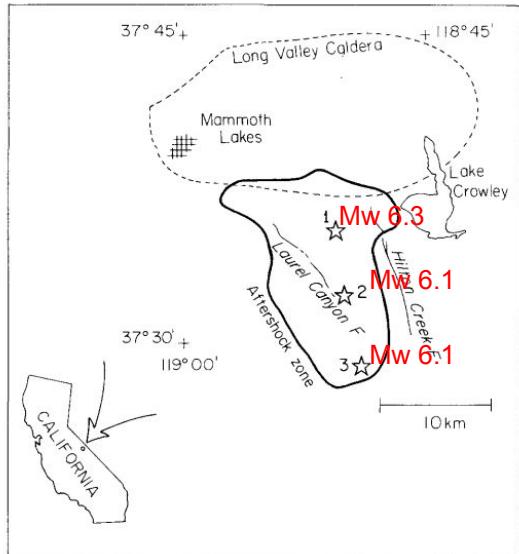
## SENSOR LOCATIONS



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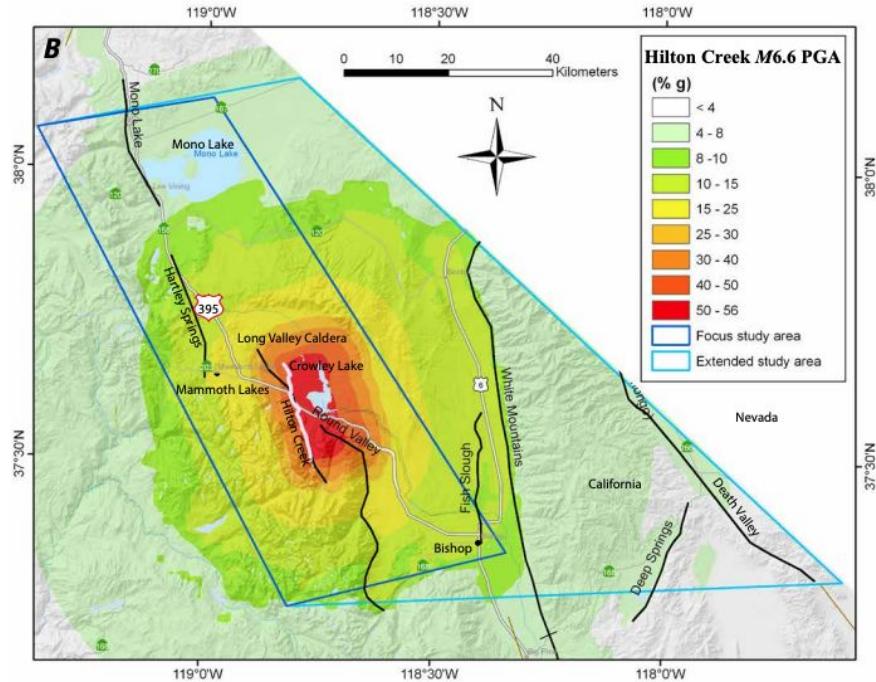
# Seismic hazards

## Historical events in the area 1980 Mammoth Lake earthquake series



Given et al. (1982)  
BSSA

## Hilton Creek Fault Mw 6.6 MCE Scenario



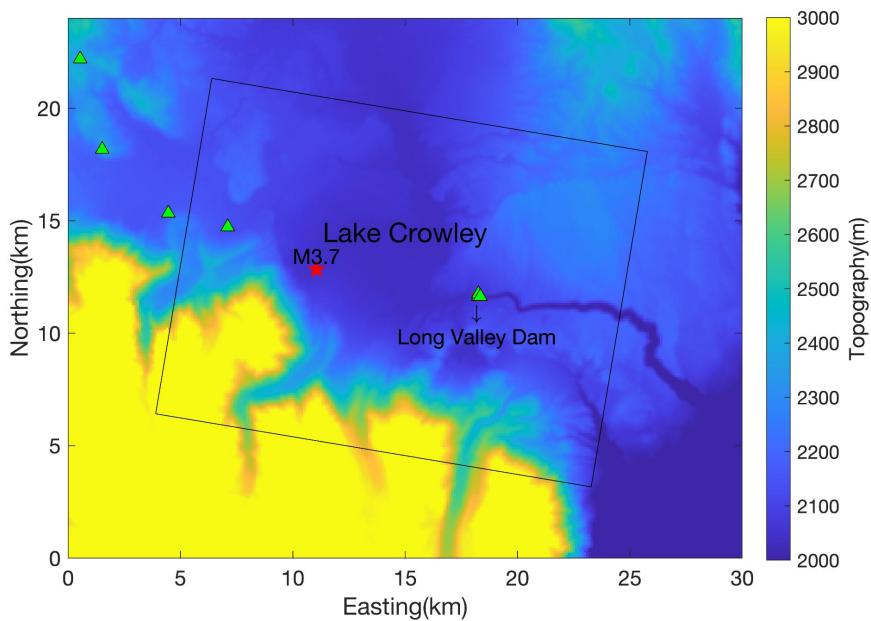
Chen et al. (2014)  
USGS report

# Approach

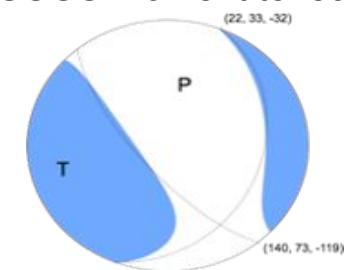
- Reference model: SCEC CVM-S.4.26.M01 (CVM)
- Validation #1: 2015 M3.7 earthquake
  - Geotechnical layer
  - Elastic properties of the LV dam
  - Attenuation model
- Validation #2: 1986 M6.2 Chalfant Valley earthquake
  - Method for generating finite-fault source representation
- Hilton Creek Fault M6.6 scenarios for Maximum Credible Earthquake (MCE)
  - Prediction of 0-7.5 Hz ground motions
  - Linear vs. nonlinear response

# Validation event #1

## 2015 Mw 3.7 earthquake

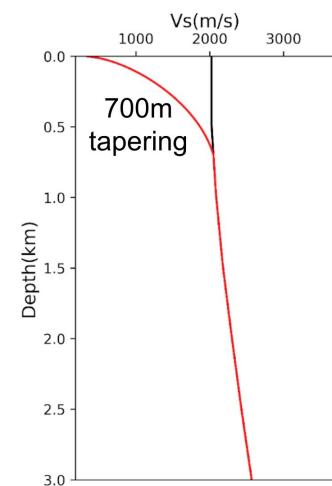


- 20.2 km x 15.1 km x 15 km domain
- Discontinuous mesh:
  - 5616 x 4320 x 1440 grid points ( $dh=3.5m$ )
  - 1872 x 1440 x 96 ( $dh=10.5m$ )
  - 624 x 488 x 288 ( $dh=31.5m$ )
- USGS 1m resolution DEM
- Frequency-dependent anelastic attenuation
  - $Q(f) = 0.075V_S f^{0.2}$   $f > 1Hz$
  - $Q(f) = 0.075V_S$   $f \leq 1Hz$
- Event information
  - Time: 2015/8/22 13:34:48 UTC
  - Epicenter: Lat:  $37.598^\circ N$  Lon:  $118.788^\circ W$
  - Depth: 4.8 km
  - Mw 3.71

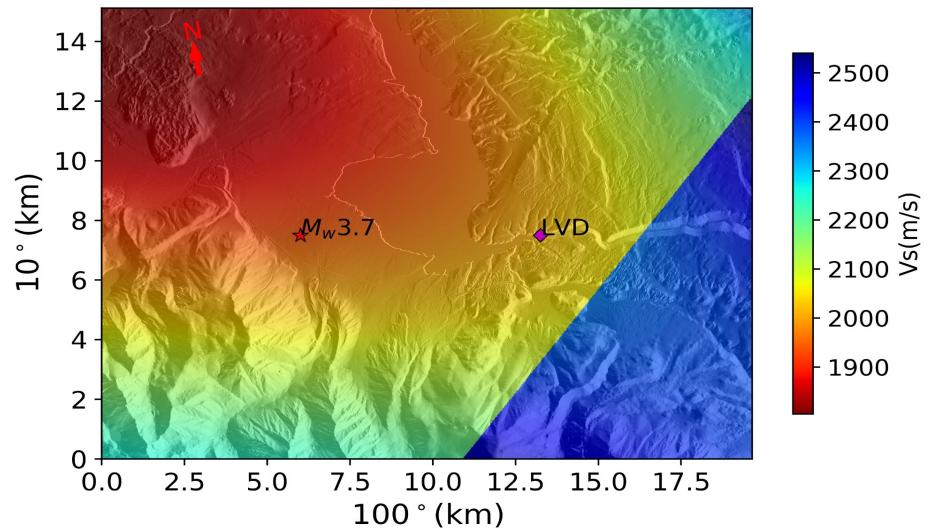


# Near-surface Geotechnical Layer (GTL)

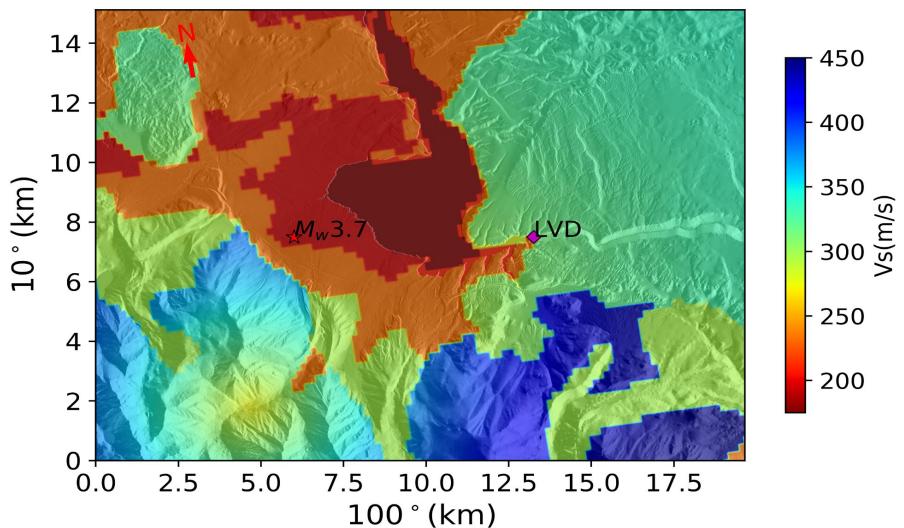
- Vs30 model from Wills et al. (2015)
- Vp, Vs, density formulations from Ely et al. (2010)
- 700m tapering depth



Surface  $V_s$  (original CVM)

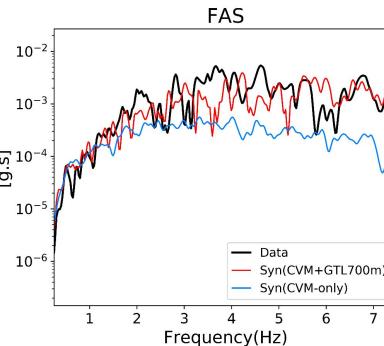
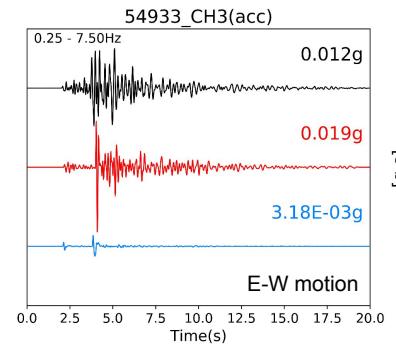
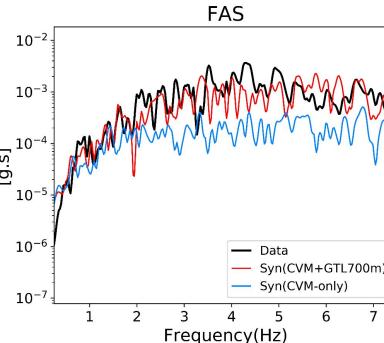
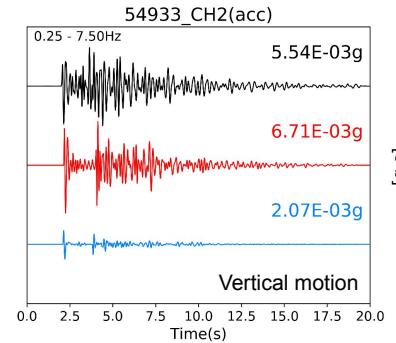
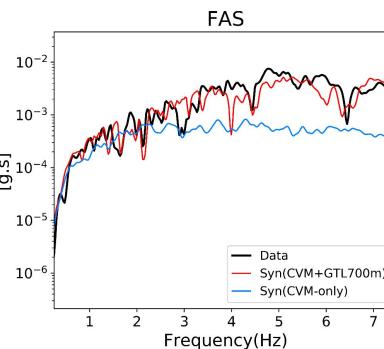
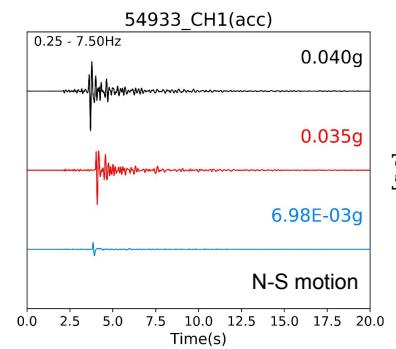
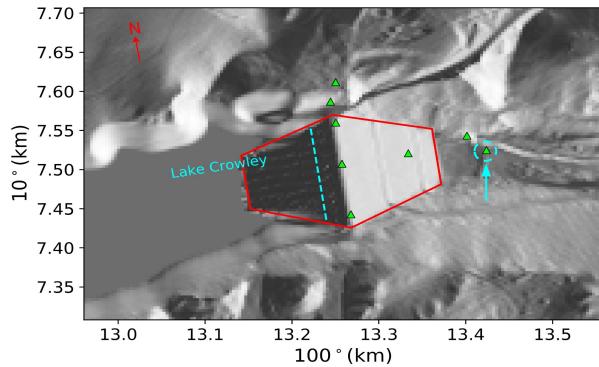


Surface  $V_s$  (CVM+GTL-tapered to 700 m)



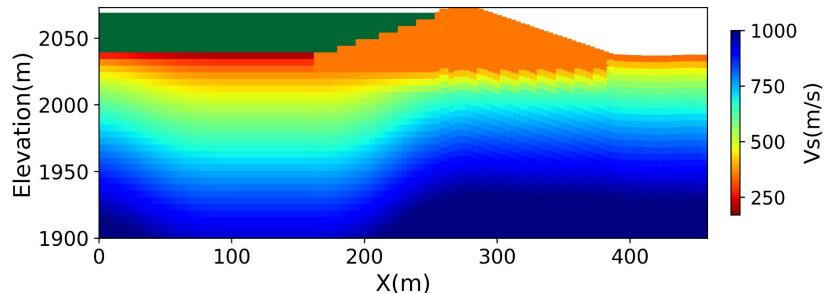
# CVM+GTL vs. Original CVM

Red: CVM+GTL  
 Blue: CVM only

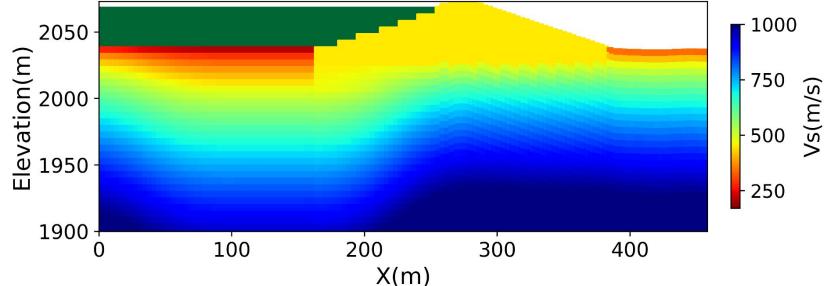


# 3D Structure of Long Valley Dam

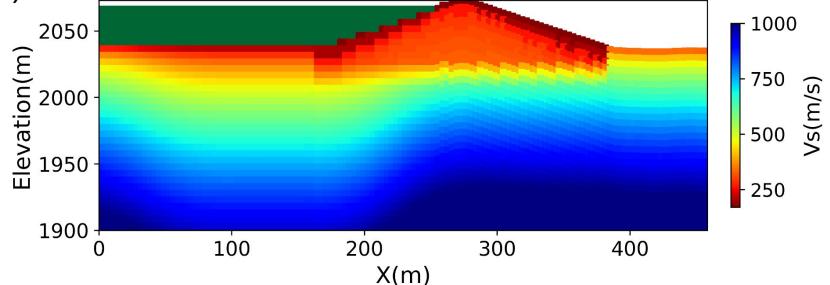
(a) Core Vs=350 m/s



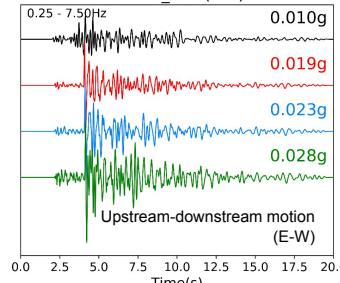
(b) Core Vs=450 m/s



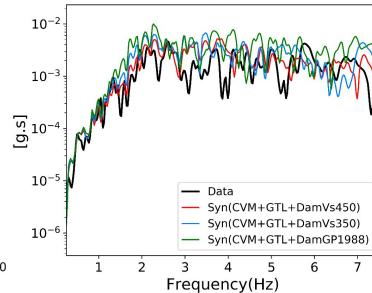
(c) GP1988



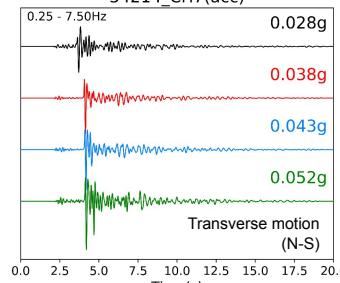
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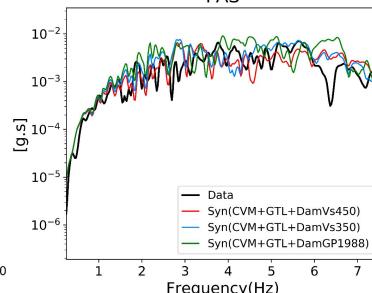
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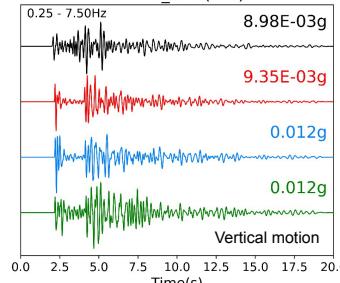
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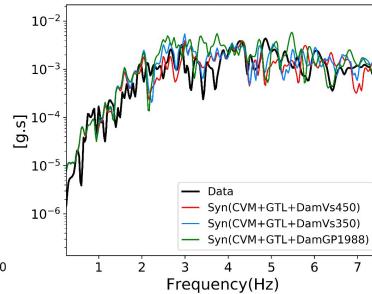
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54214\_CH8(acc)



FAS

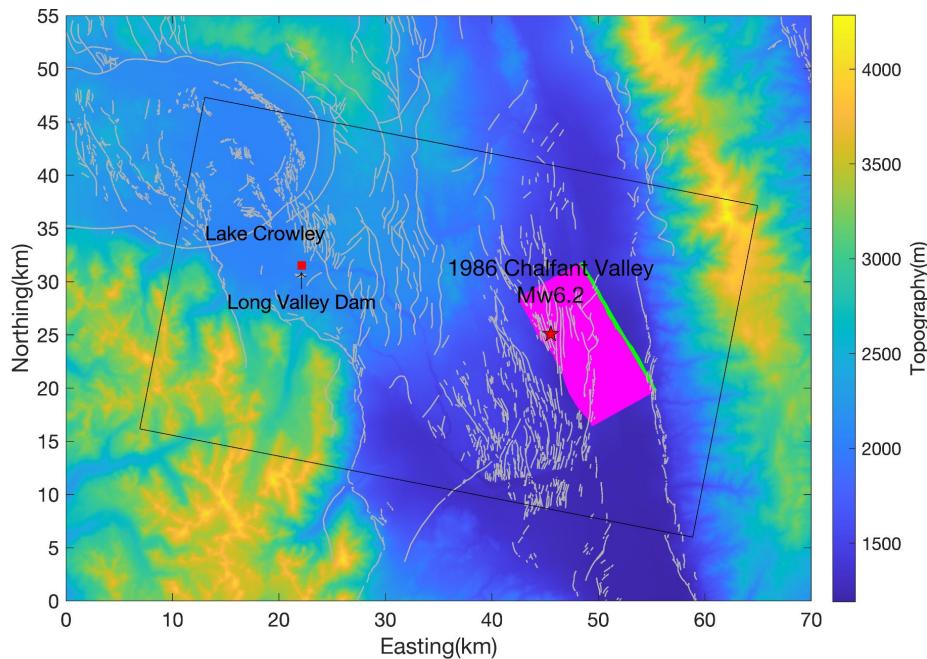
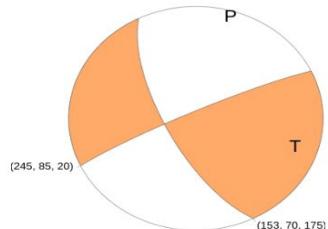


# Validation event #2

## 1986 Mw 6.2 Chalfant Valley earthquake

- 53 km x 31.8 km x 30 km domain
- Discontinuous mesh:
  - 15120 x 9072 x 1152 grid points ( $dh=3.5m$ )
  - 5040 x 3024 x 576 ( $dh=10.5m$ )
  - 1680 x 1008 x 800 ( $dh=31.5m$ )
- $Q_s=0.075Vs^{f^{0.2}}$ , GTL tapered to 700 m depth
- Event information
  - Time: 1986/7/21 14:42:26 UTC
  - Epicenter: Lat: 37.533°N Lon: 118.441°W
  - Depth: 10.8 km (Smith & Priestley, 2000):
  - Mw 6.2

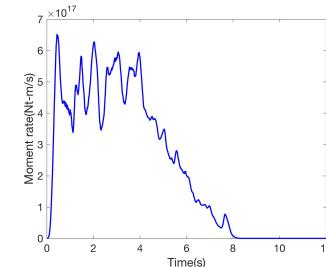
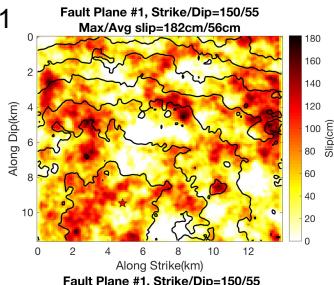
USGS Moment tensor



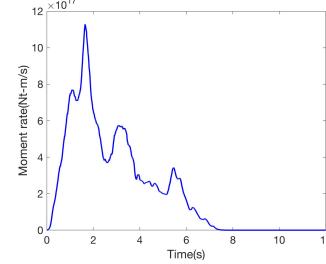
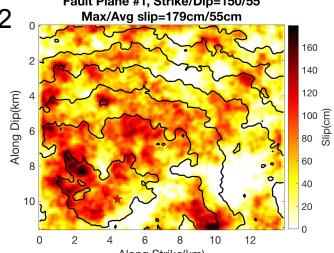
# Finite-fault rupture model

- Strike-slip strike/dip/rake=150°/55°/-180°
- Fault dimensions L=13.9 km W=11.6 km (Leonard, 2010; Smith & Priestley, 2000)
- Graves-Pitarka kinematic rupture generator (Graves & Pitarka, 2016)

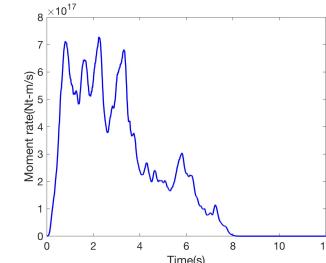
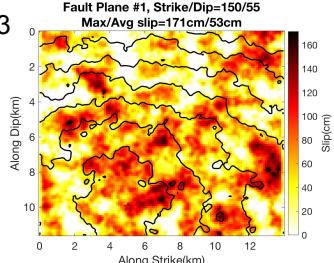
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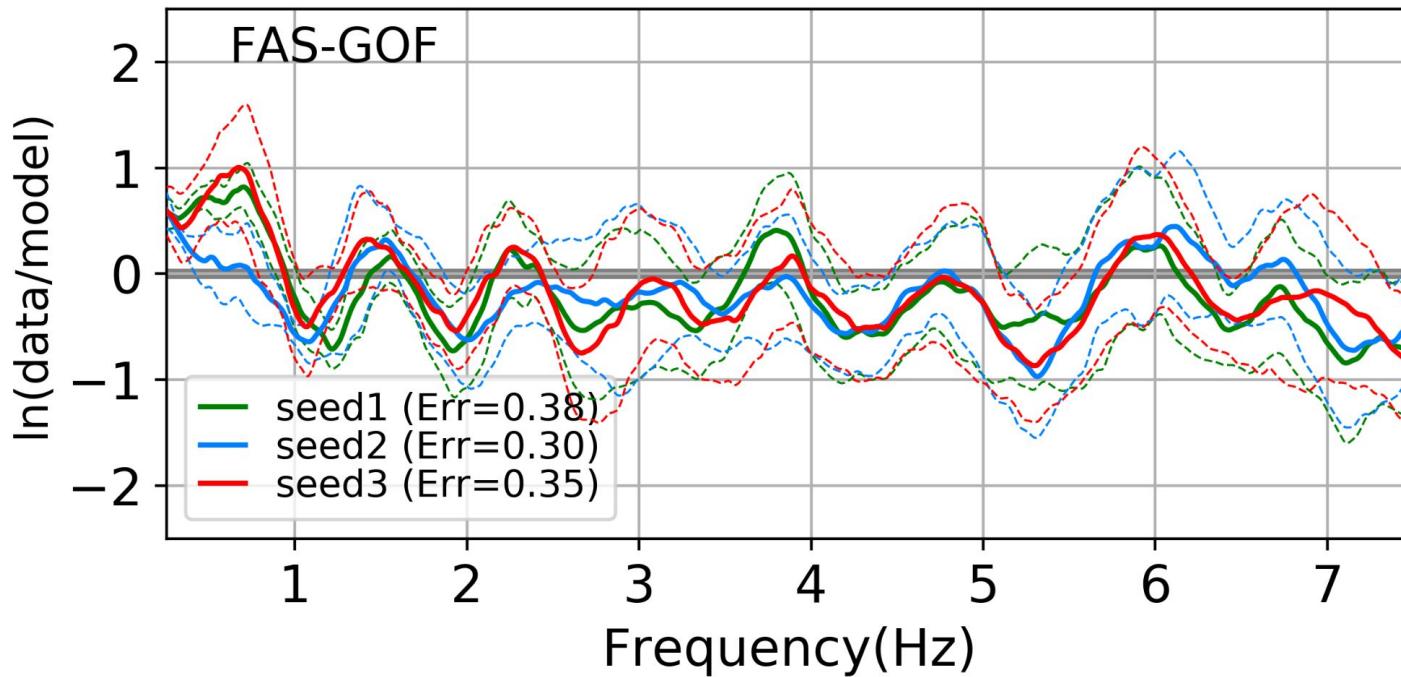
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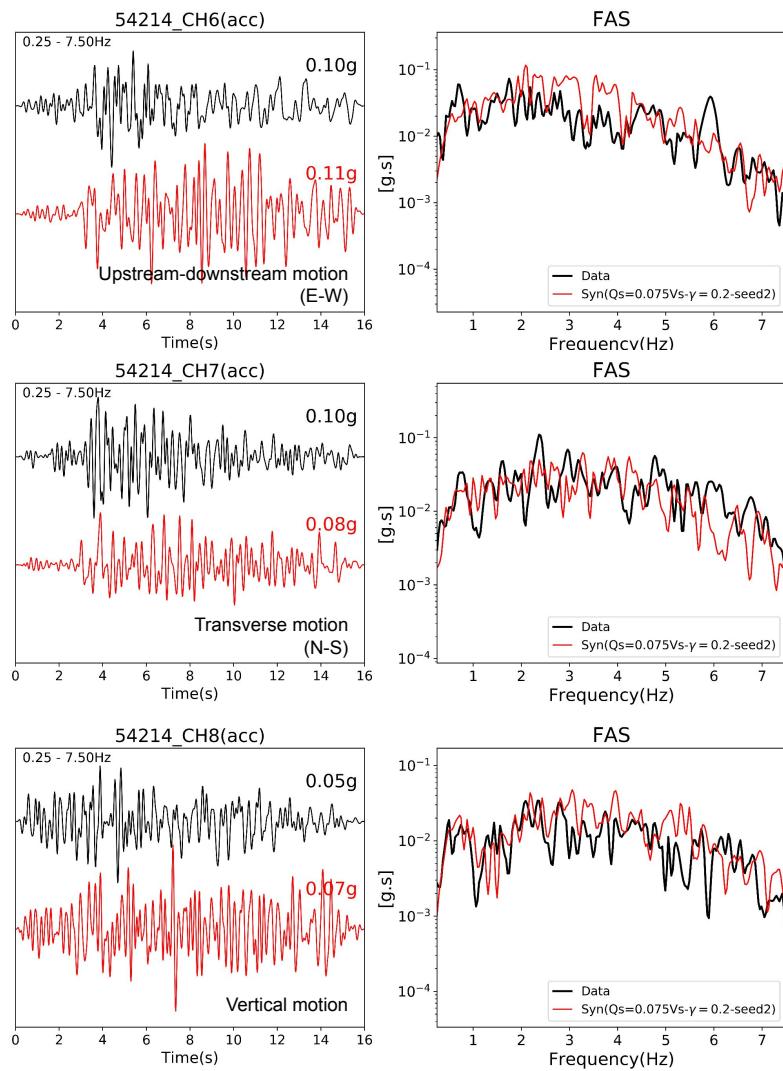
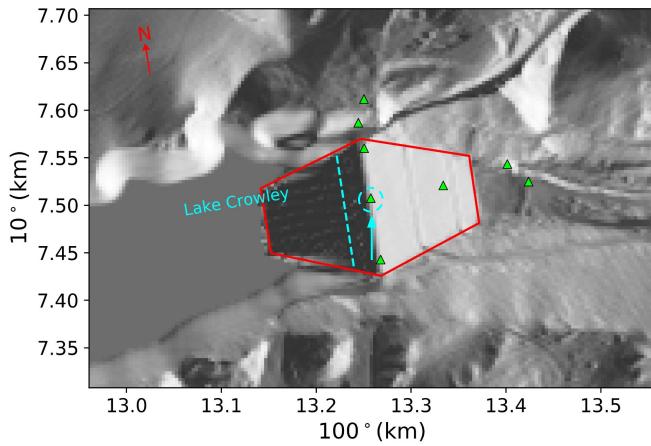
(c) Seed #3



# Intra-event variation?

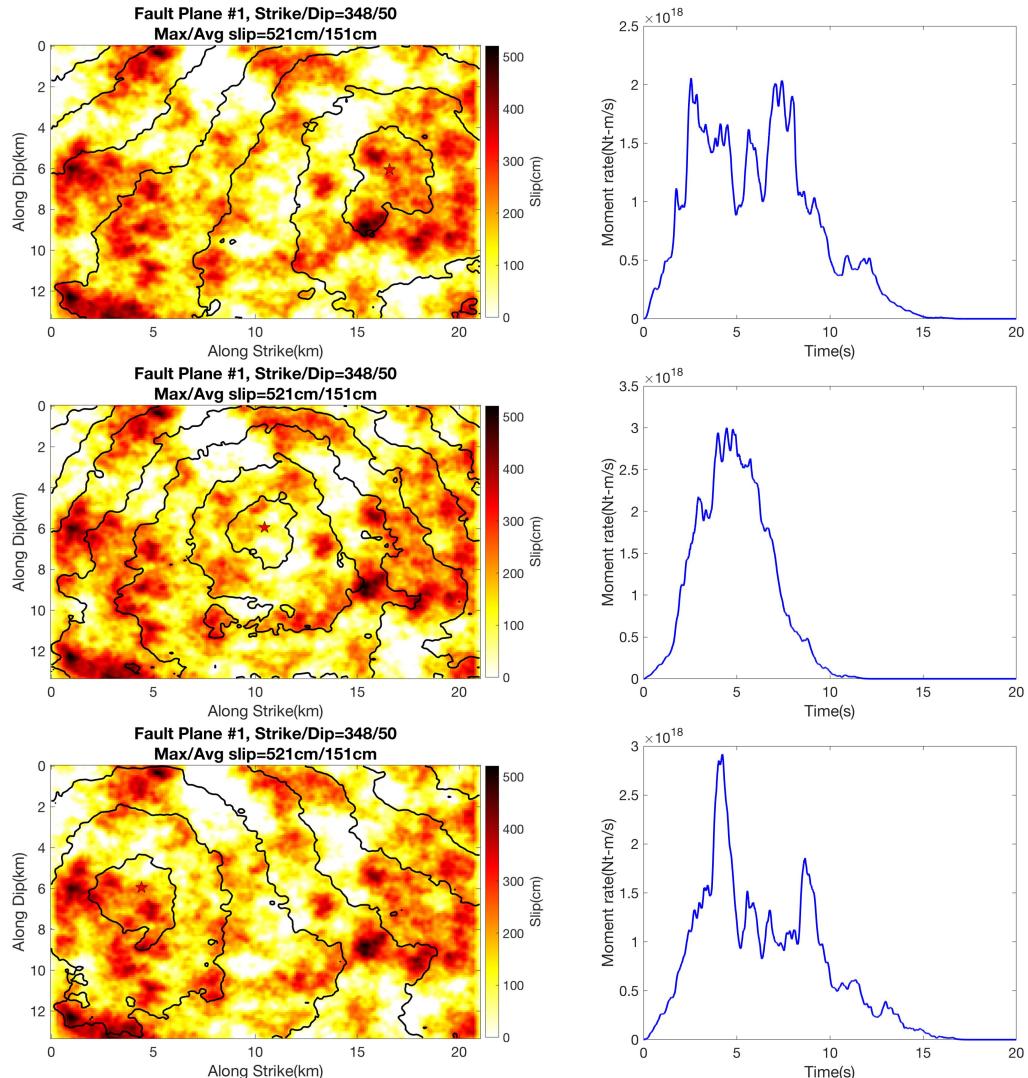
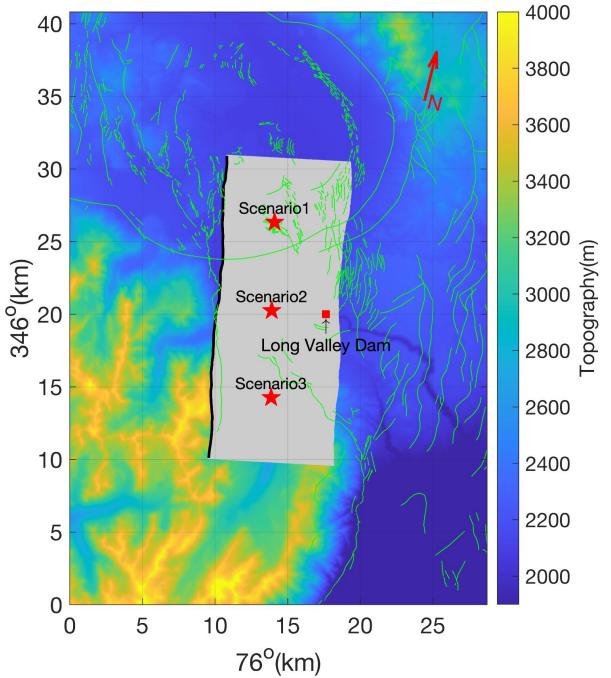


Ground station 54933 - Acceleration  
Long Valley Dam crest center

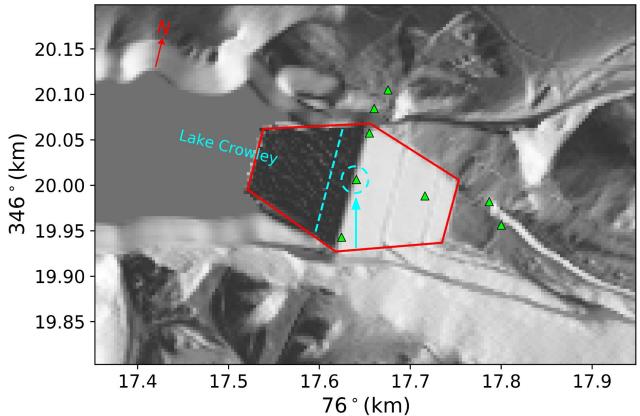


# Hilton Creek Fault M6.6 Scenarios

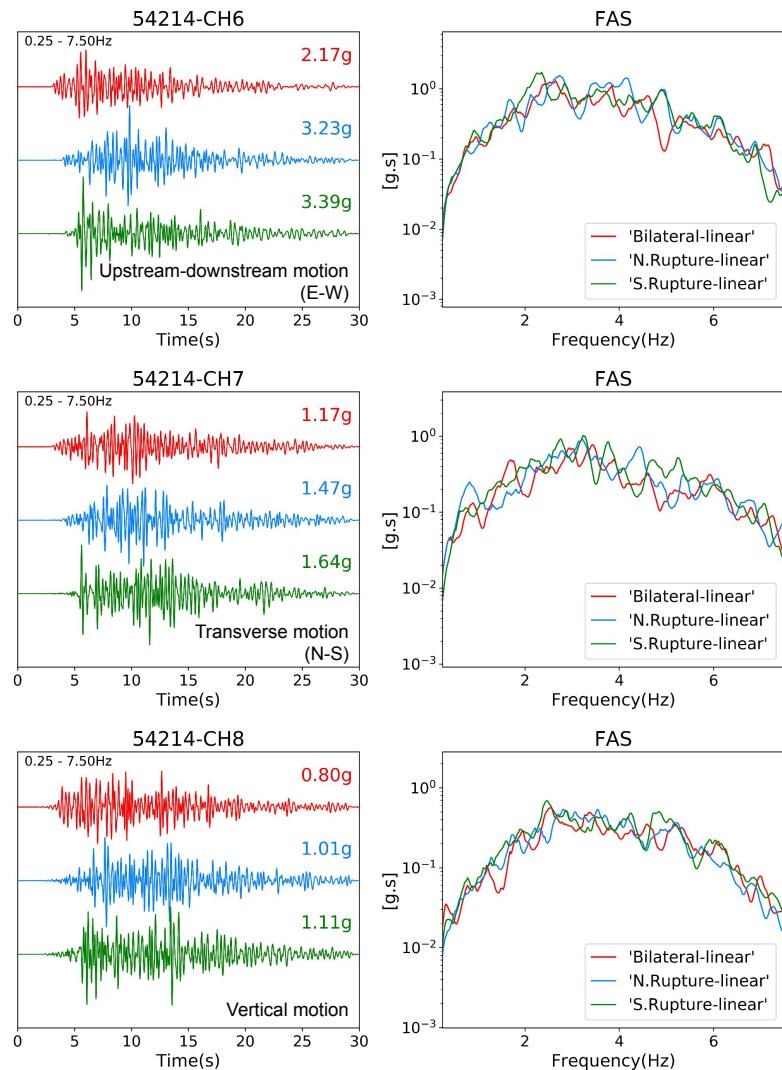
- Fault dimensions: L=21km W=13.3km
- Focal mechanism:  $348^\circ/50^\circ/-90^\circ$
- Three rupture scenarios:  
(1) Southward (2) Bilateral (3) Northward



## Structure array 54214 - Acceleration CH6, CH7, CH8 (dam center crest)

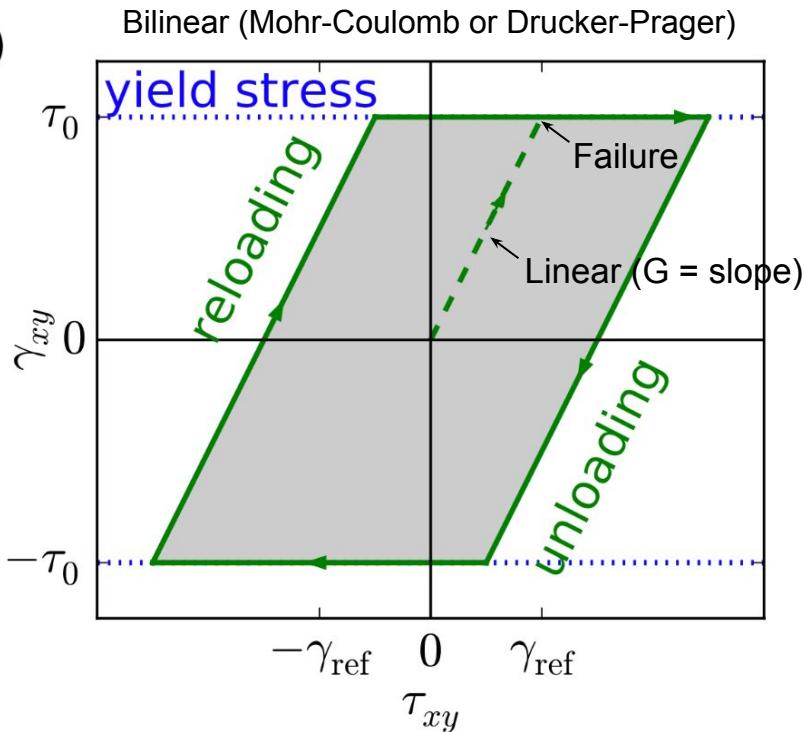


- **Southward** rupture produces strongest ground motions
- Strongest on upstream-downstream direction
- Different rupture types -> factor of 1.5 difference

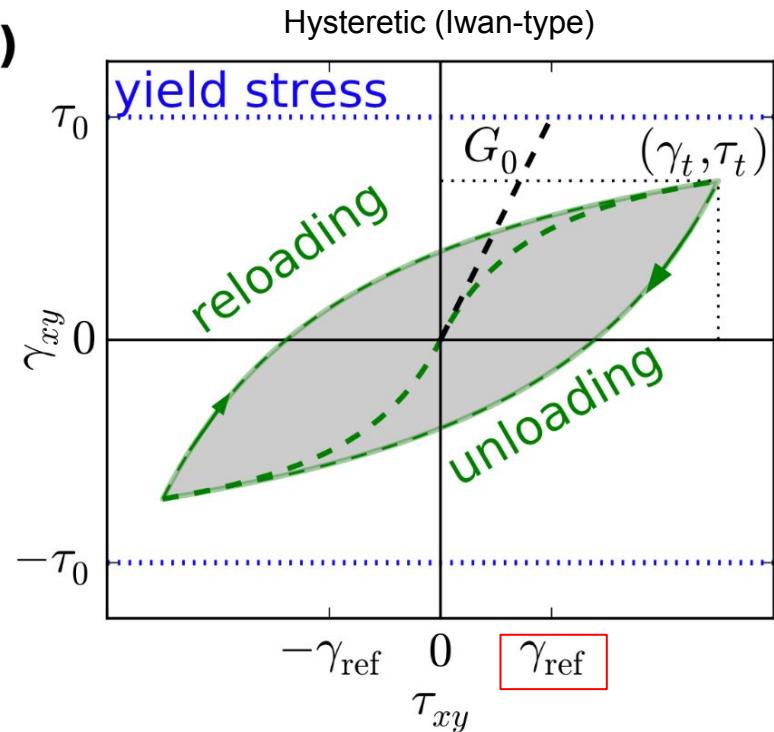


## Nonlinear models

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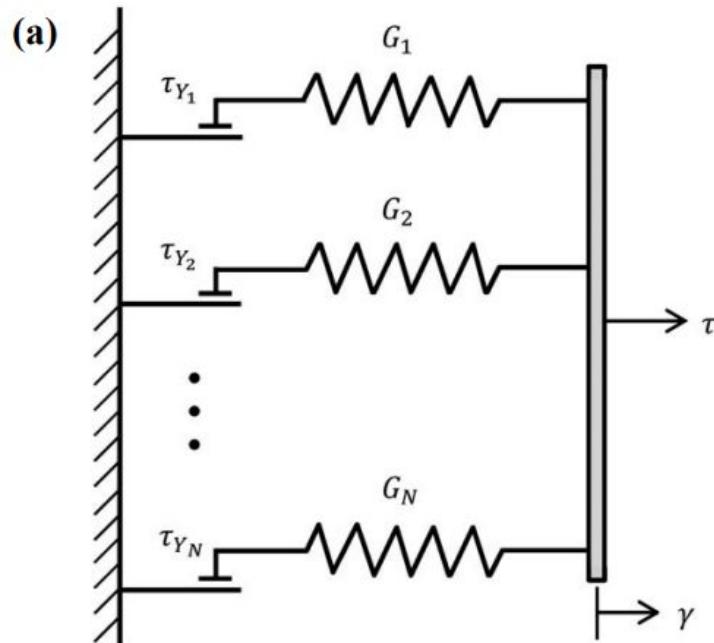
(b)



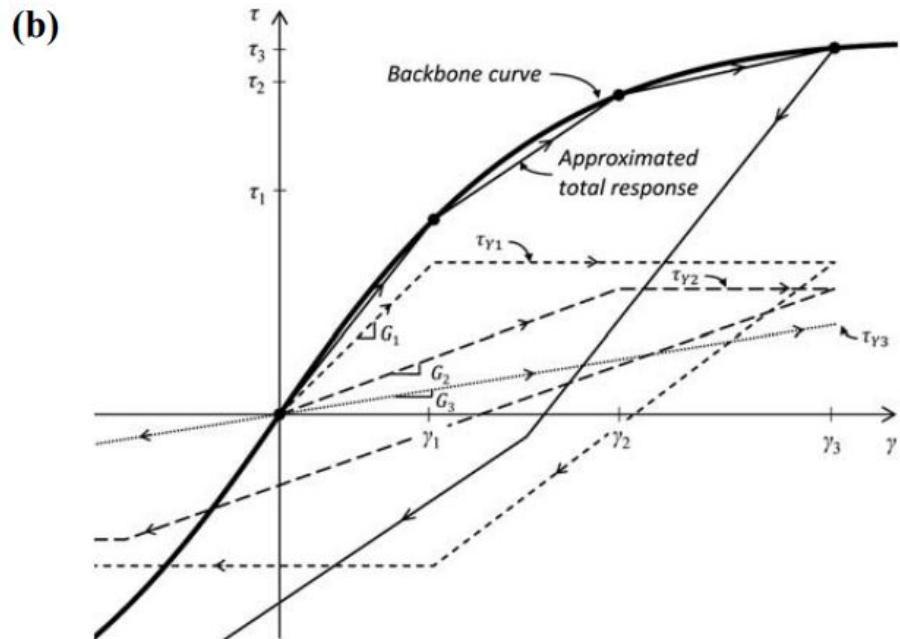
Slope of secant line of the stress-strain curve is shear modulus

# The overlay method

Spring sliders in parallel series



$$G_1 + G_2 + G_3 + \dots + G_N = G_0$$



(Kaklamanos et al., 2015)

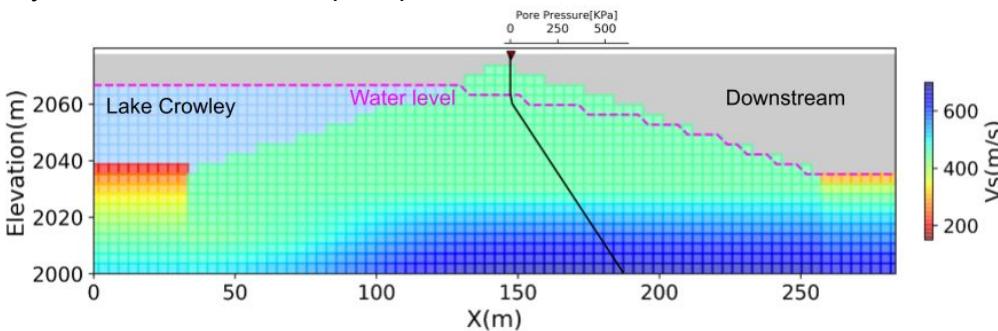
$$\text{Reference strain: } \gamma_r = \frac{\tau_0}{G_0}$$

**Yield stress:**

$$\tau_0 = C \cos(\phi) - (\sigma_m - P) \sin(\phi)$$

↗ Cohesion      ↗ Friction angle      ↗ Mean stress      ↗ Fluid pressure

**Hydrostatic condition for pore pressure:**



**Principal stresses:**

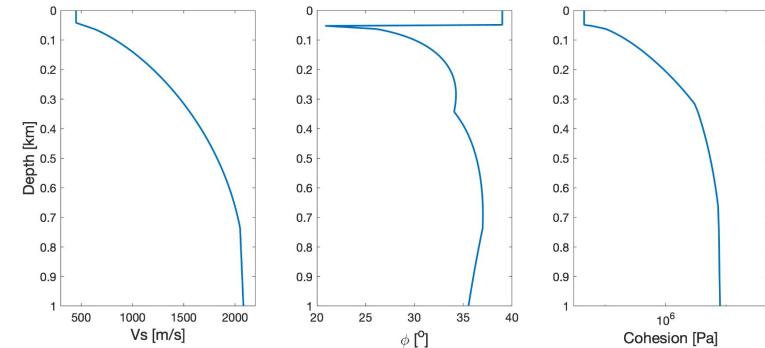
$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_v$$

$$\sigma_2 = 0.8\sigma_1 \quad (\text{Normal faulting tectonic setting})$$

$$\sigma_3 = 0.6\sigma_1$$

$$\sigma_m = 1/3 (\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{yy} + \sigma_{zz})$$

**Cohesion and friction angle:**



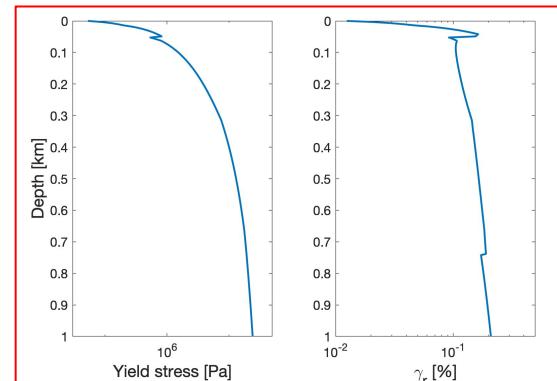
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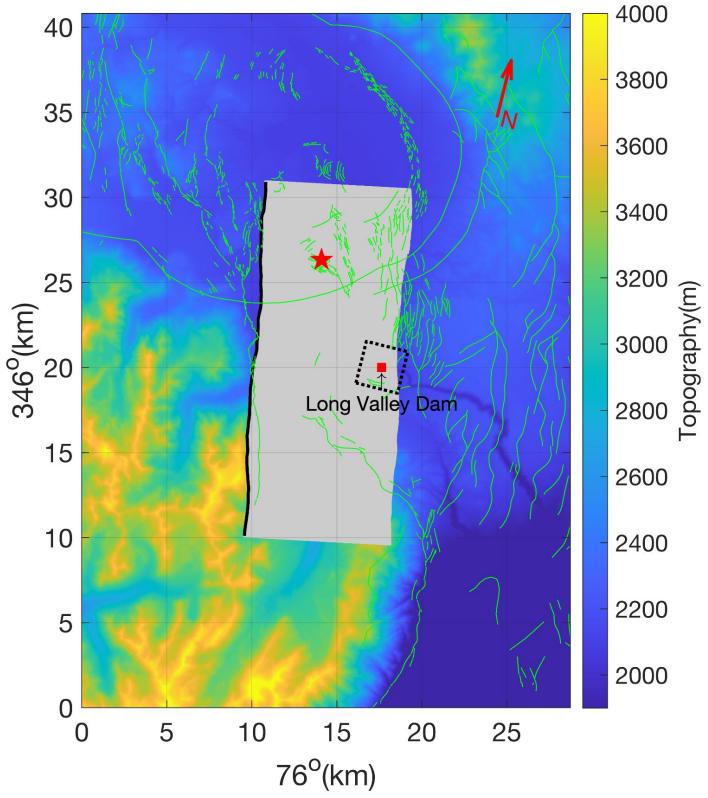
$$(c = 45 \text{ kPa}, \phi = 39^\circ)$$

(Griffiths & Prevost, 1988)

**Outside LVD:**

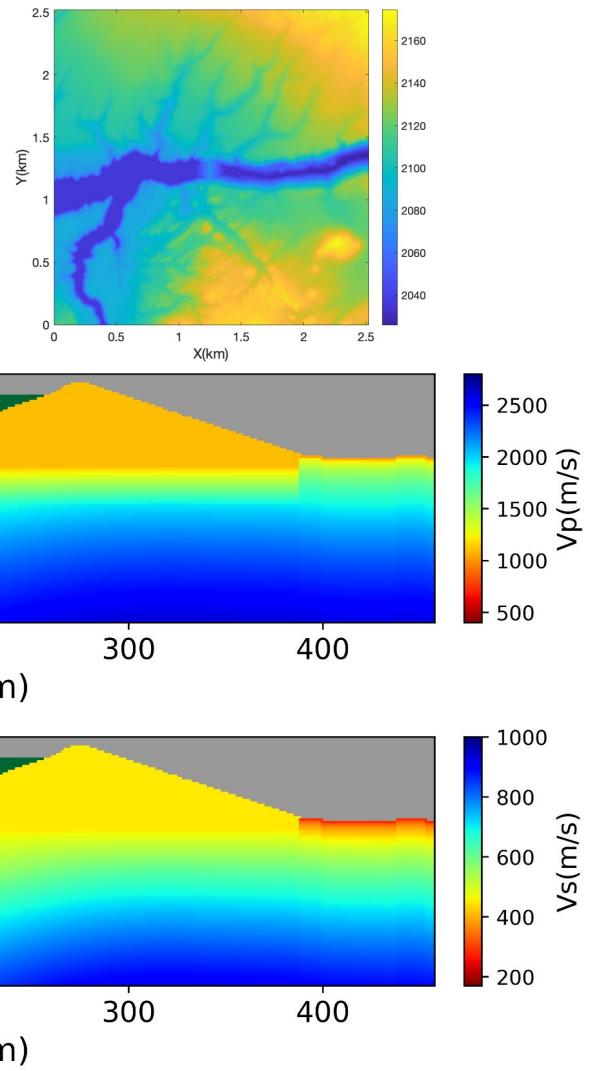
- Hoek-Brown failure criterion
- Geological Strength Index (GSI) based on shear wave speed





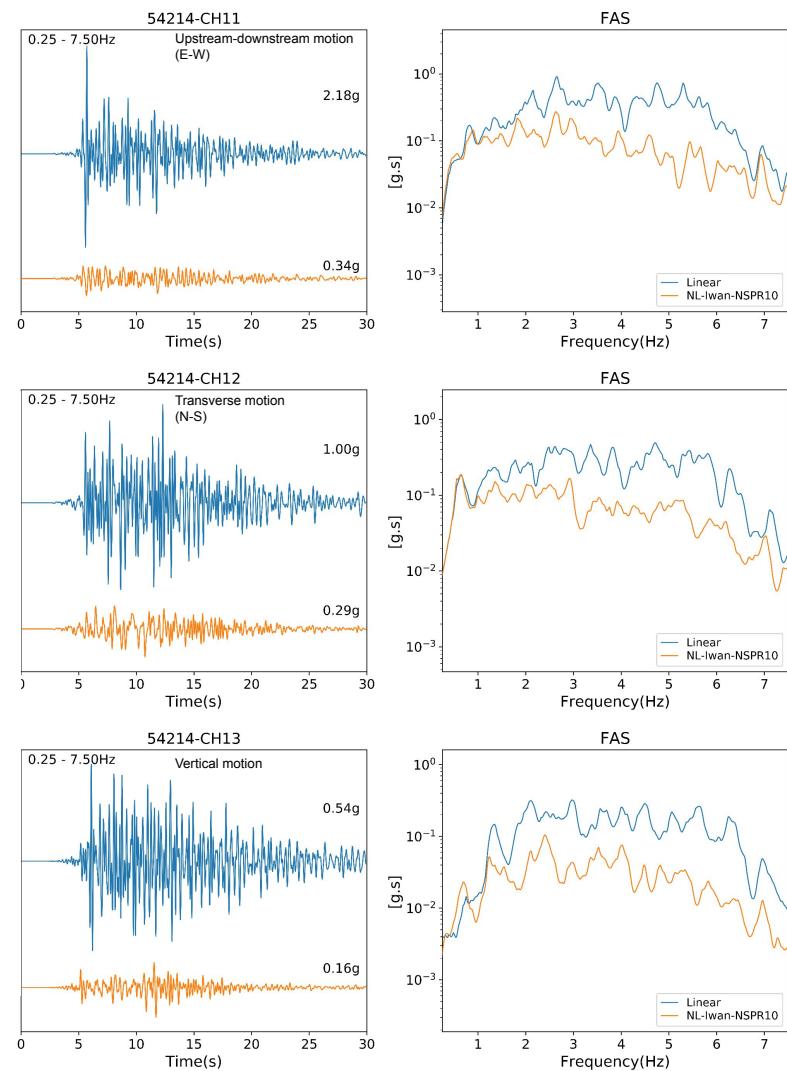
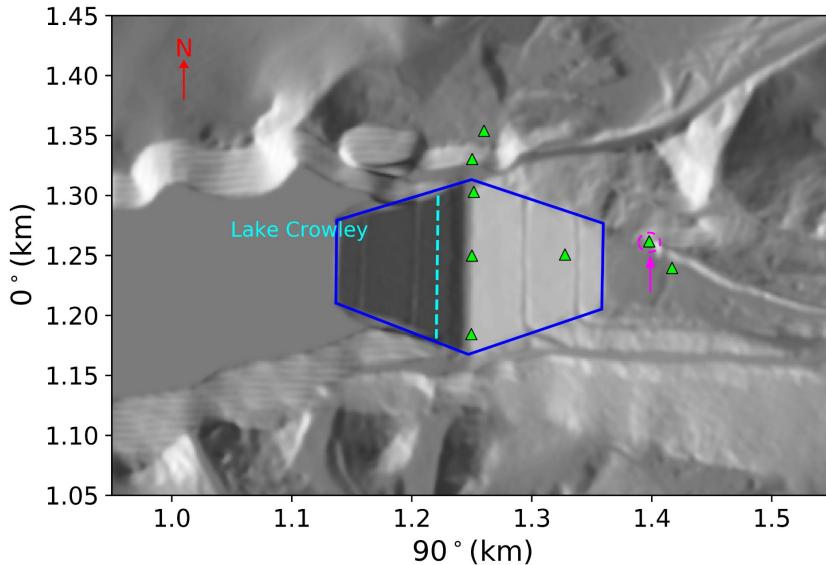
## Plane wave calculation

- Smaller domain
- 1.25m grid spacing
- 10 yield surfaces



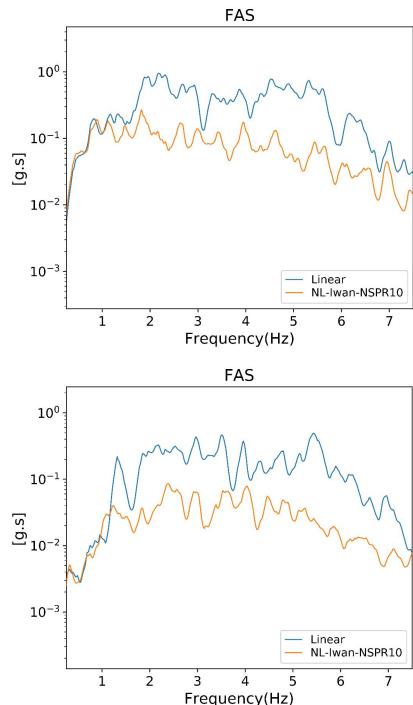
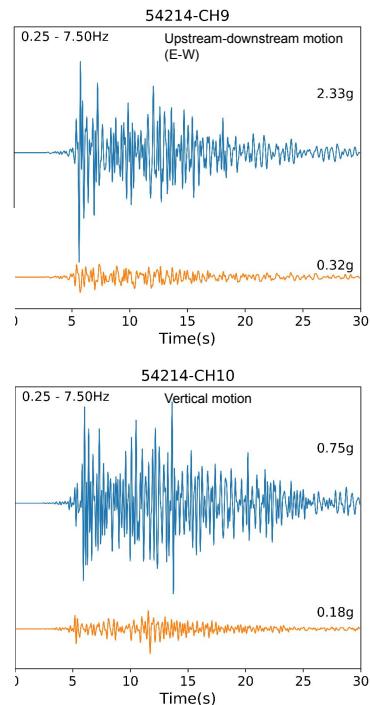
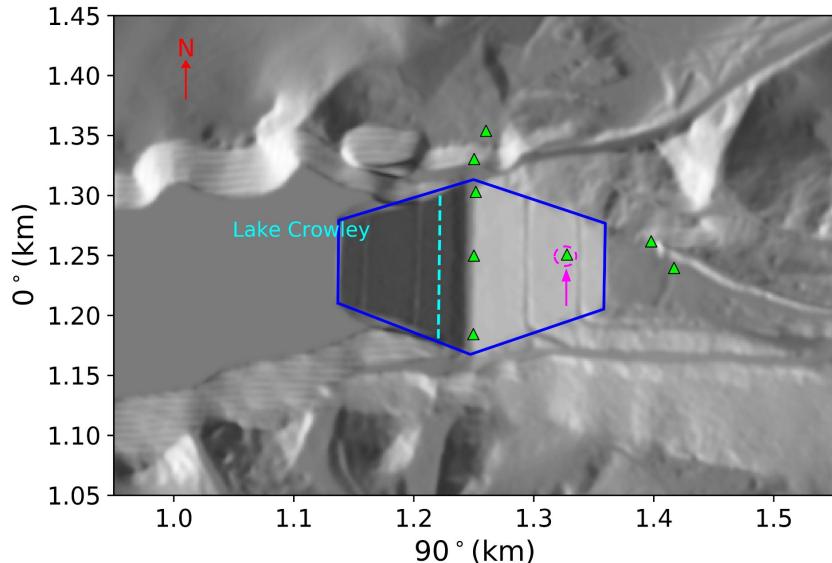
54214 CH11,12,13 (Downstream base)

Linear vs Nonlinear-Iwan simulation  
Planewave (10 surfaces)  
Homogeneous core with  $V_s=450$  m/s



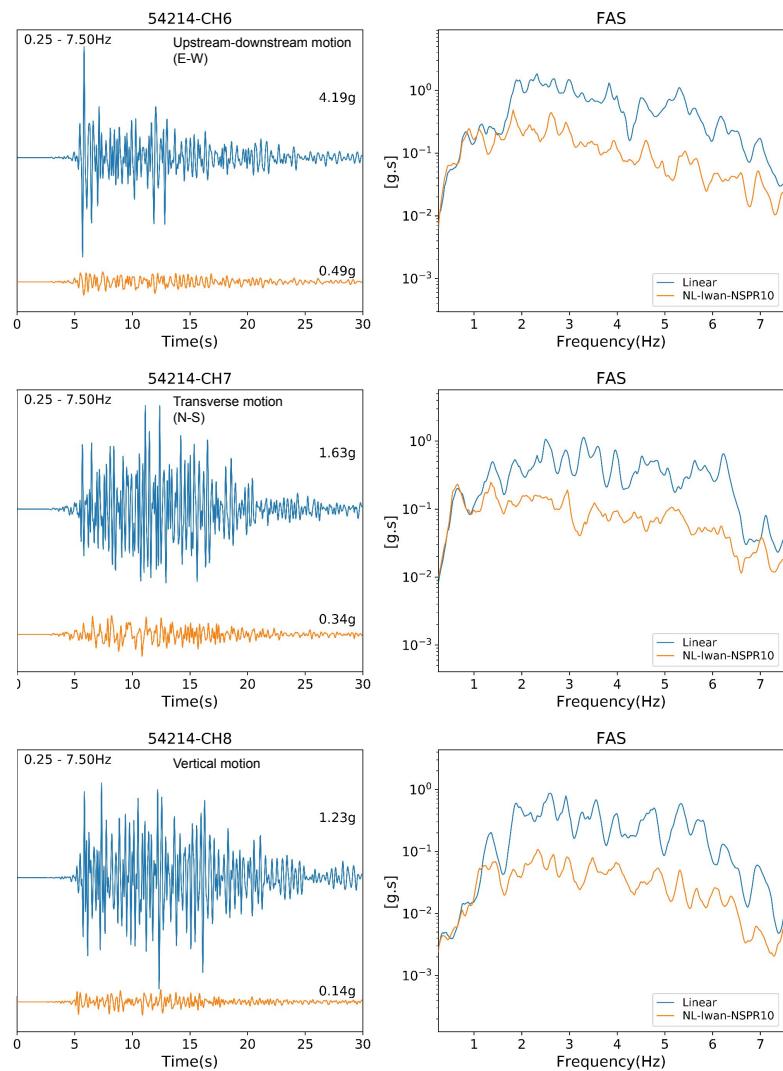
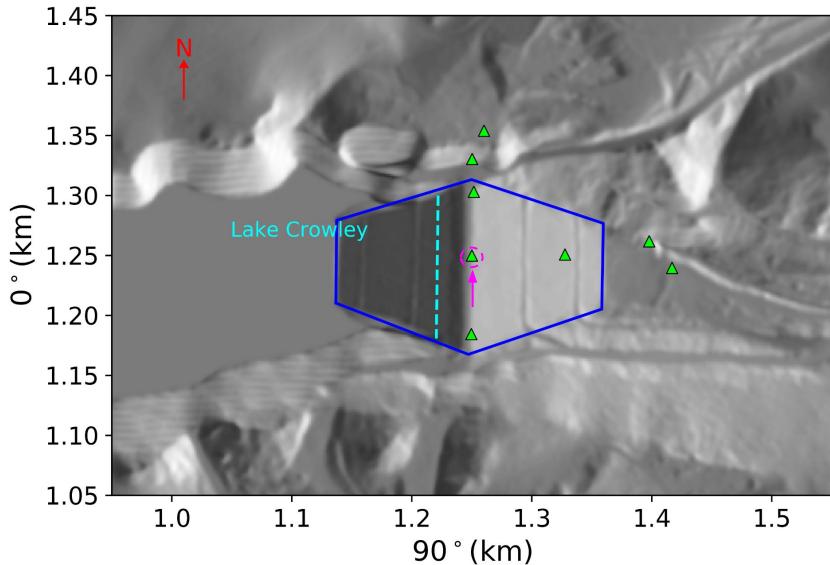
## 54214 CH9,10 (Downstream face)

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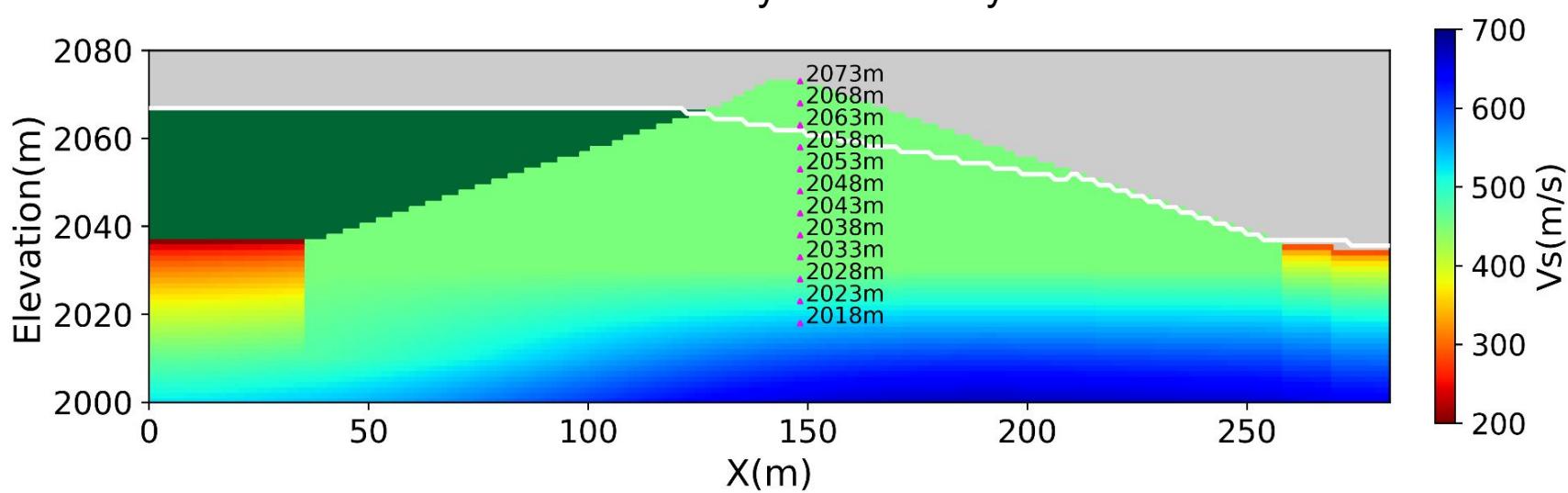


## 54214 CH6,7,8 (Crest center)

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 Planewave (10 surfaces)  
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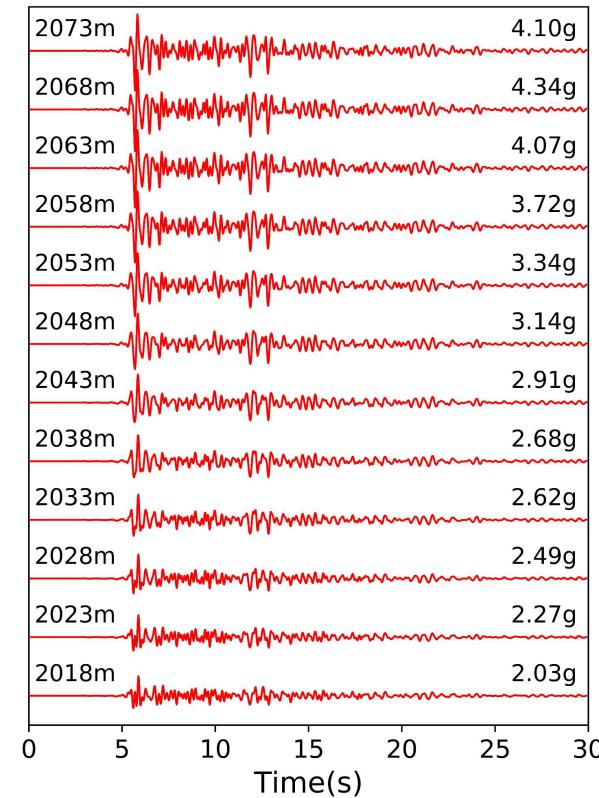
### Vertical synthetic array



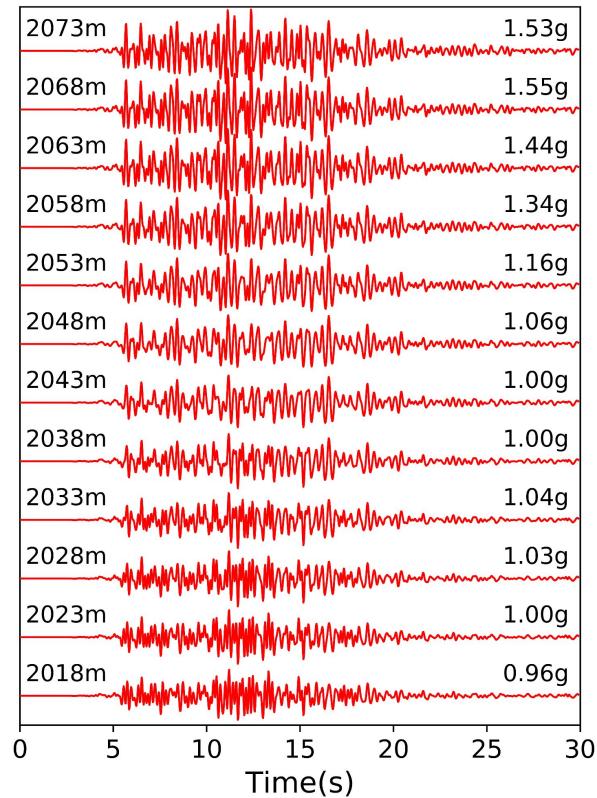
# Acceleration waveforms

## Linear

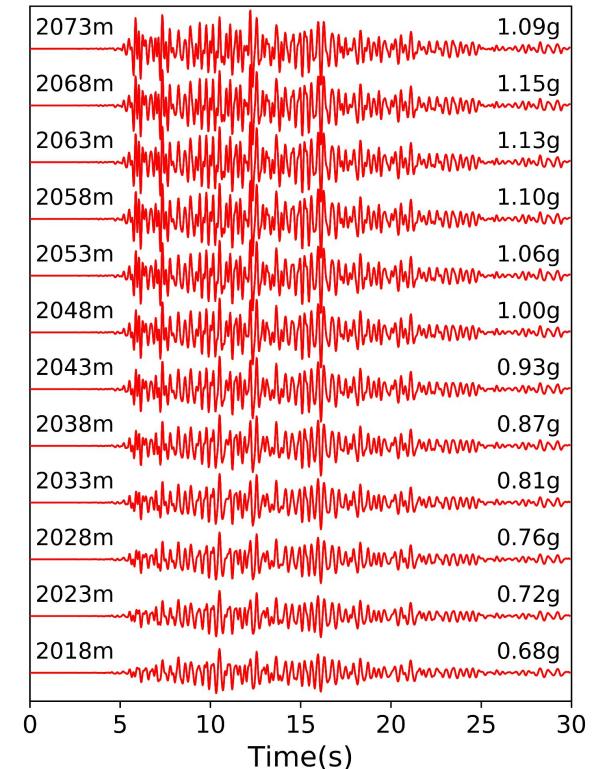
Upstream-Downstream



Transverse

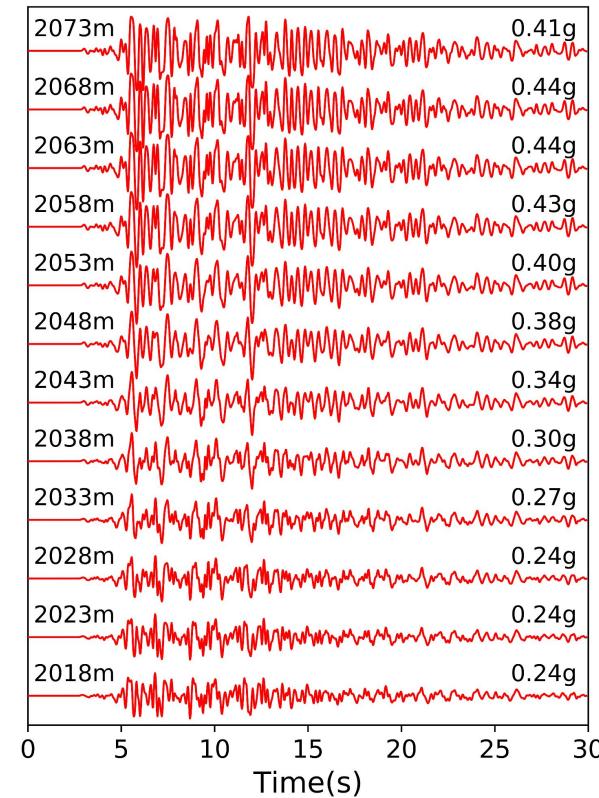


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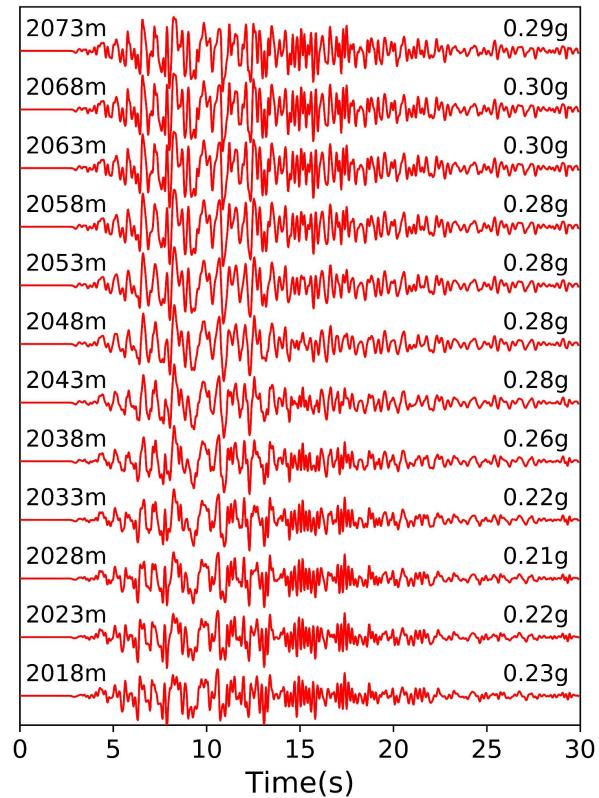


# Acceleration waveforms Nonlinear-Iwan (10 surfaces)

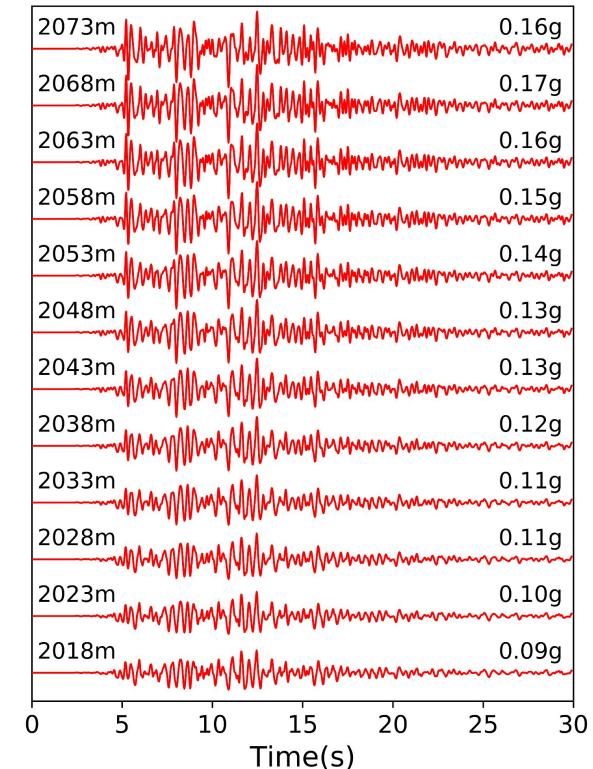
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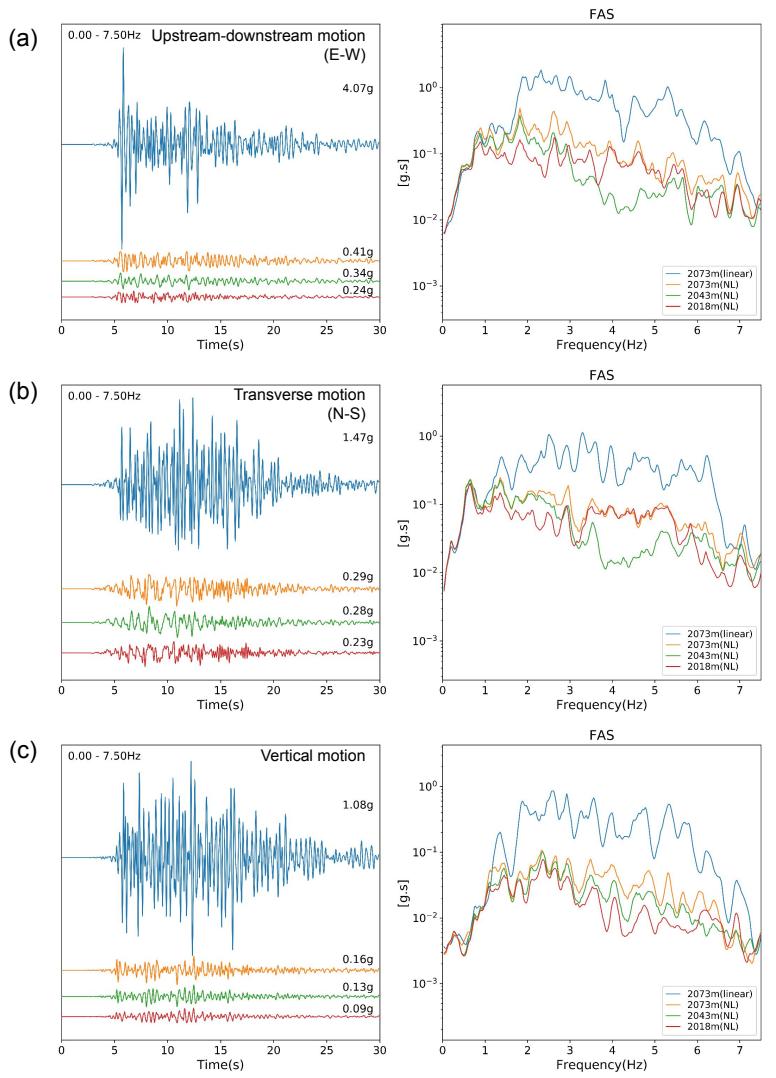


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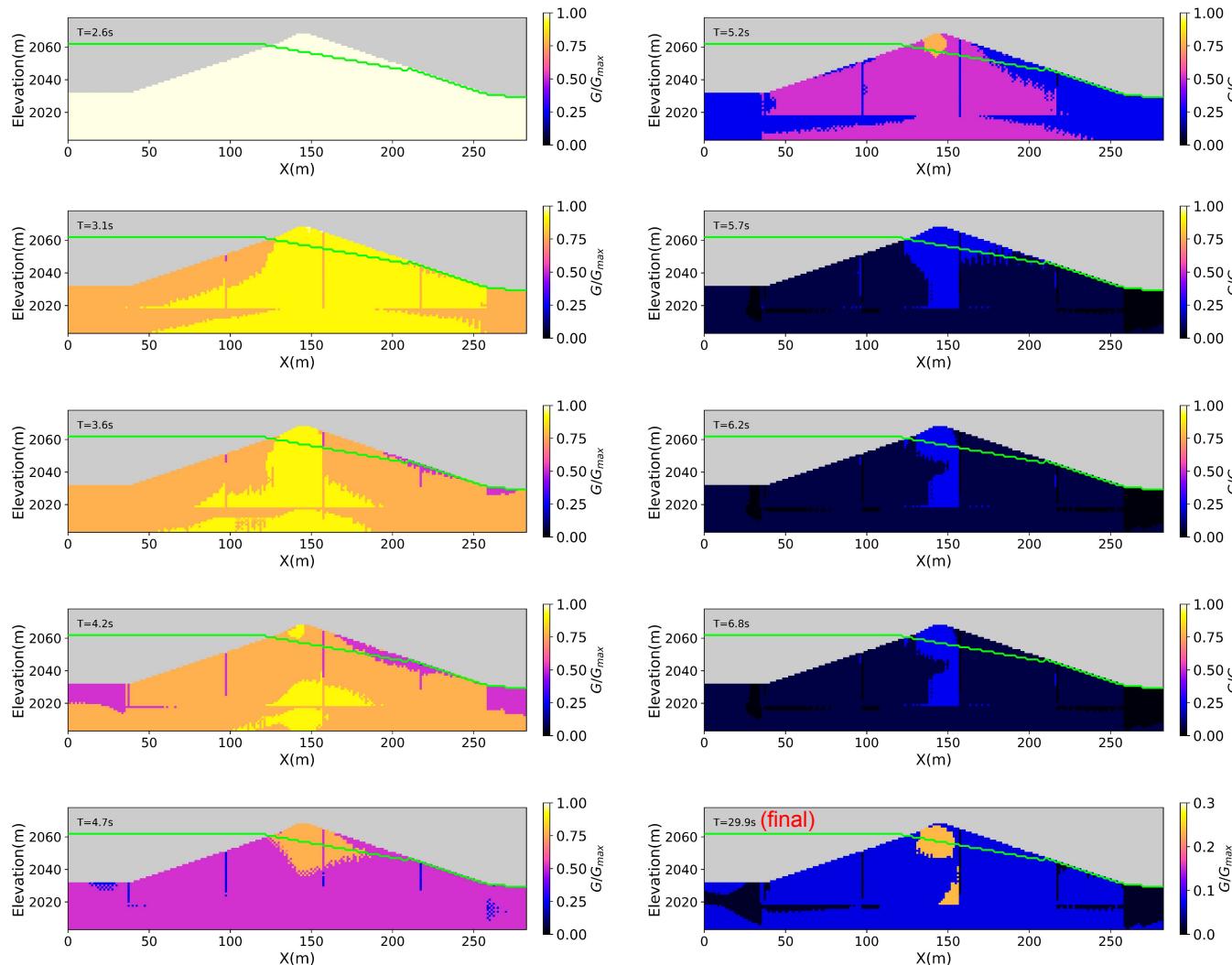


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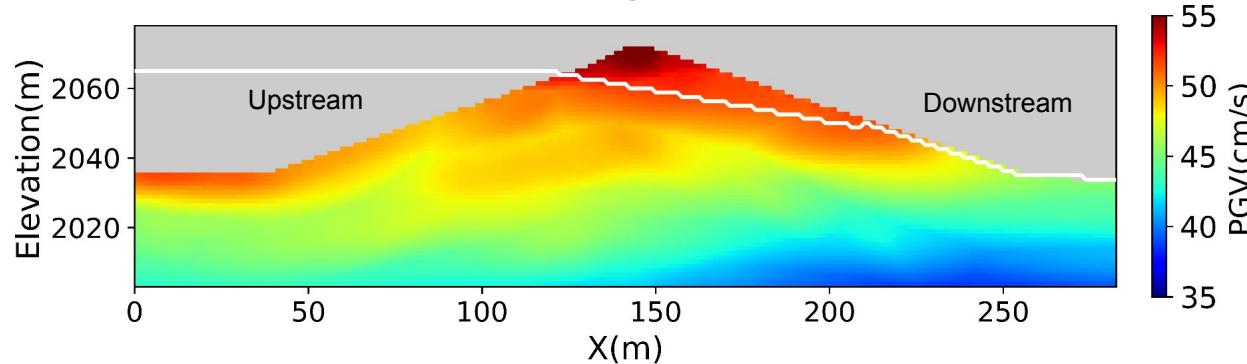




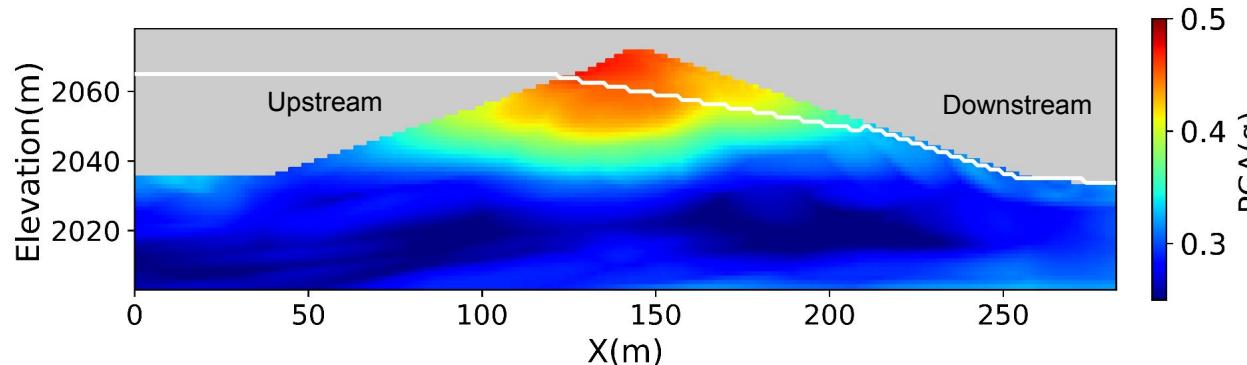
# G/Gmax (Iwan-10 surfaces)



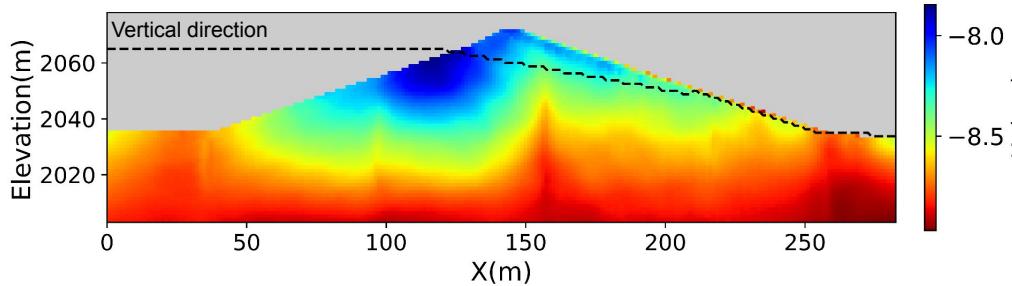
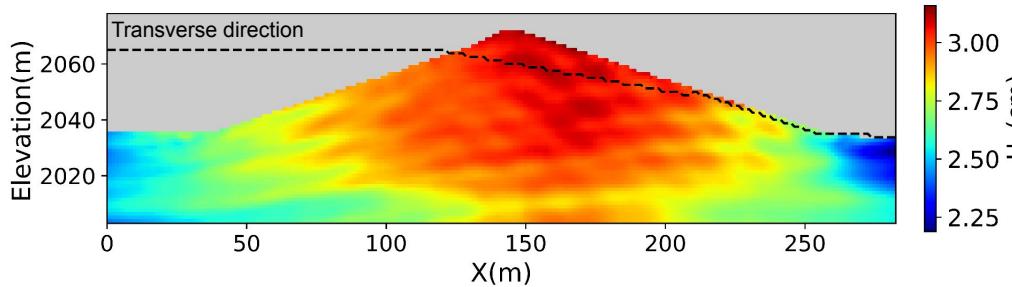
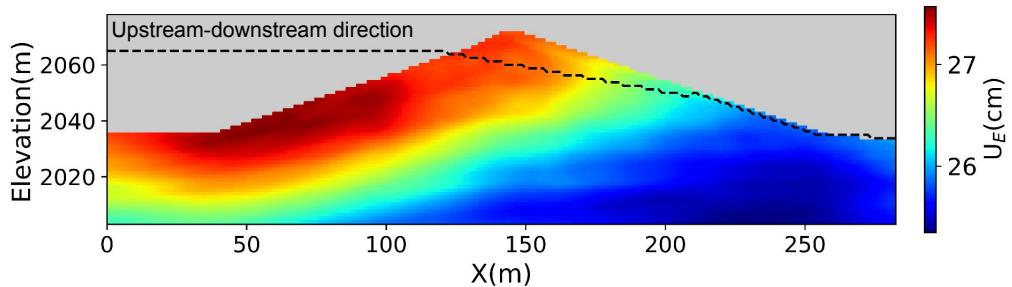
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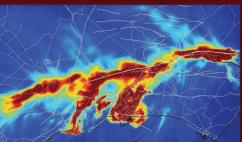
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