

Site-Specific MCE_R Response Spectra for Design of Structures in L.A. Region from 3-D Numerical Simulations & NGA West2 GMPEs

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Presentation

- Brief background
- Details of simulation & GMPE approaches
 - MCE_R response spectra from each approach
 - Procedure to combine MCE_R & final site-specific MCE_R response spectra for L.A. area sites
- MCE_R web look-up tool

Project to Develop Earthquake Motions Undertaken by

**Utilization of Ground-Motion
Simulations Committee (UGMS) of
Southern California Earthquake Center
(SCEC)**

Formed in 2013

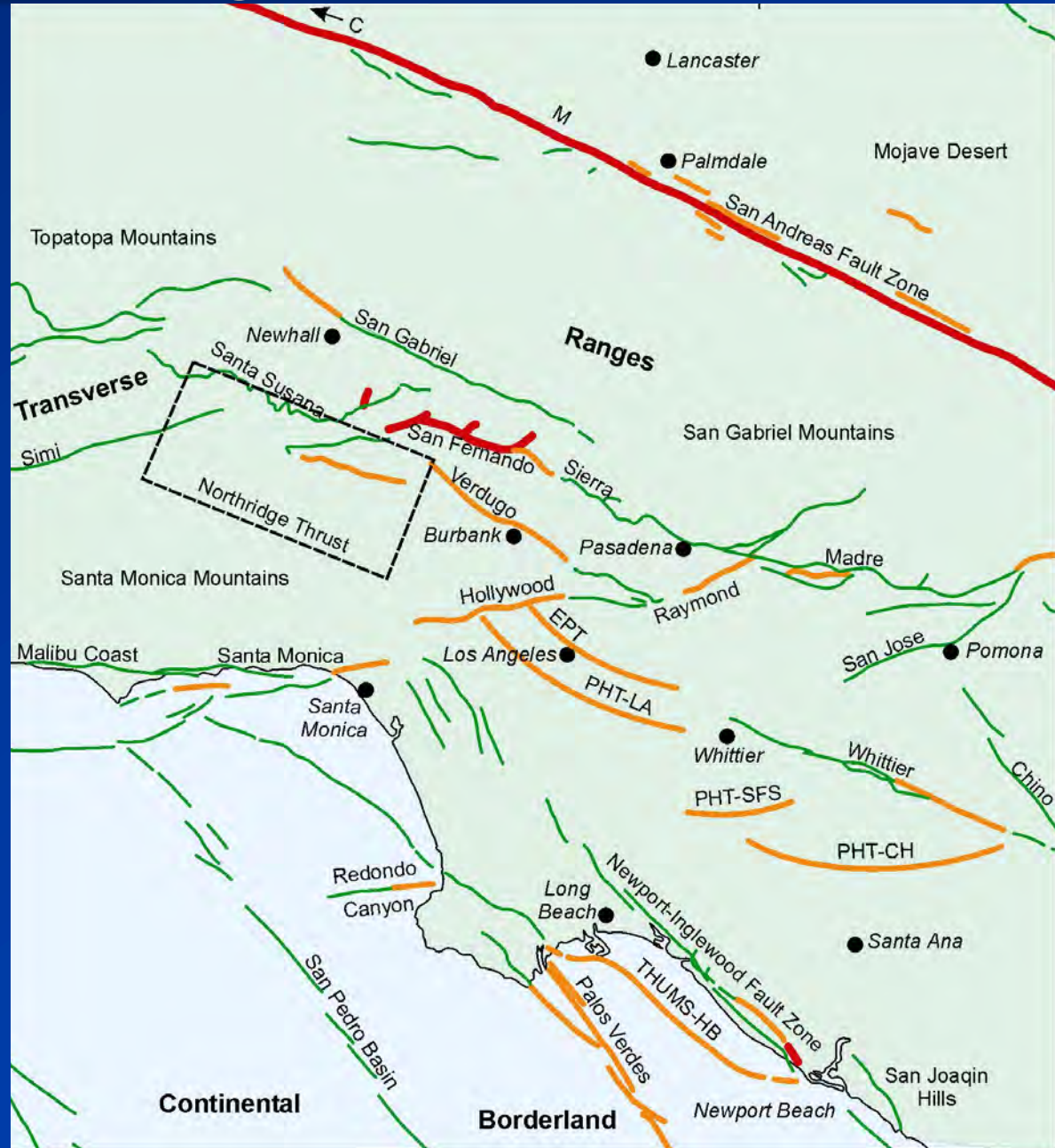
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Limitation of Eqns derived from Recorded Motions Los Angeles

1. Lack of Local Strong Motion Records in L.A. from past EQs

(Exception: 1994 M6.7 Northridge & 1971 M6.6 San Fernando EQs)



3-D Numerical Simulation Approach

1. Use UCERF2 fault recurrence models

2. Do simulations



H1 & H2 accel. $a(t)$



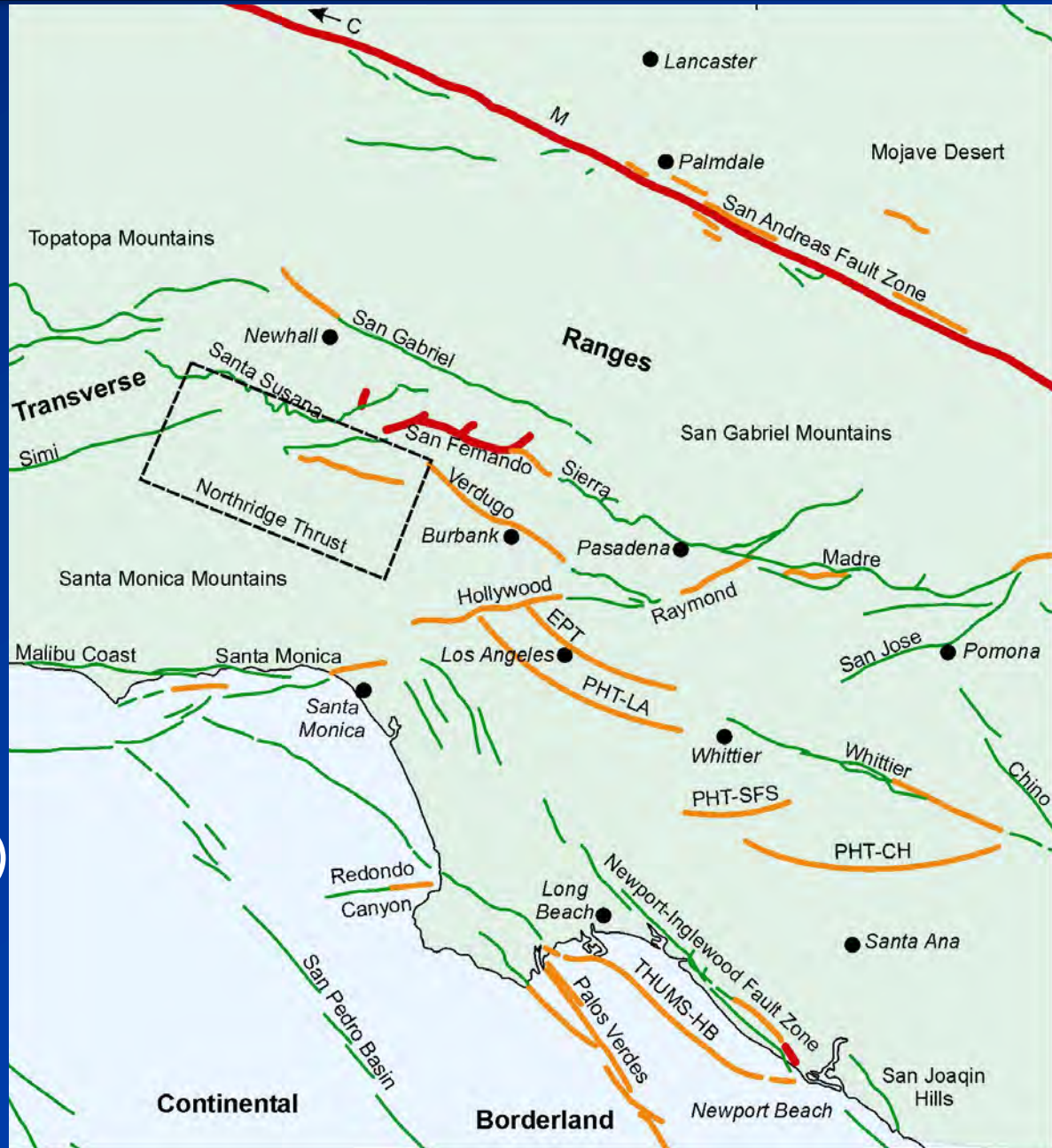
response spectra, $S_a(T)$



median $S_a(T)$ & σ_{ln}

3. Proceed with
PSHA/DSHA
(C. 21, ASCE 7-16)

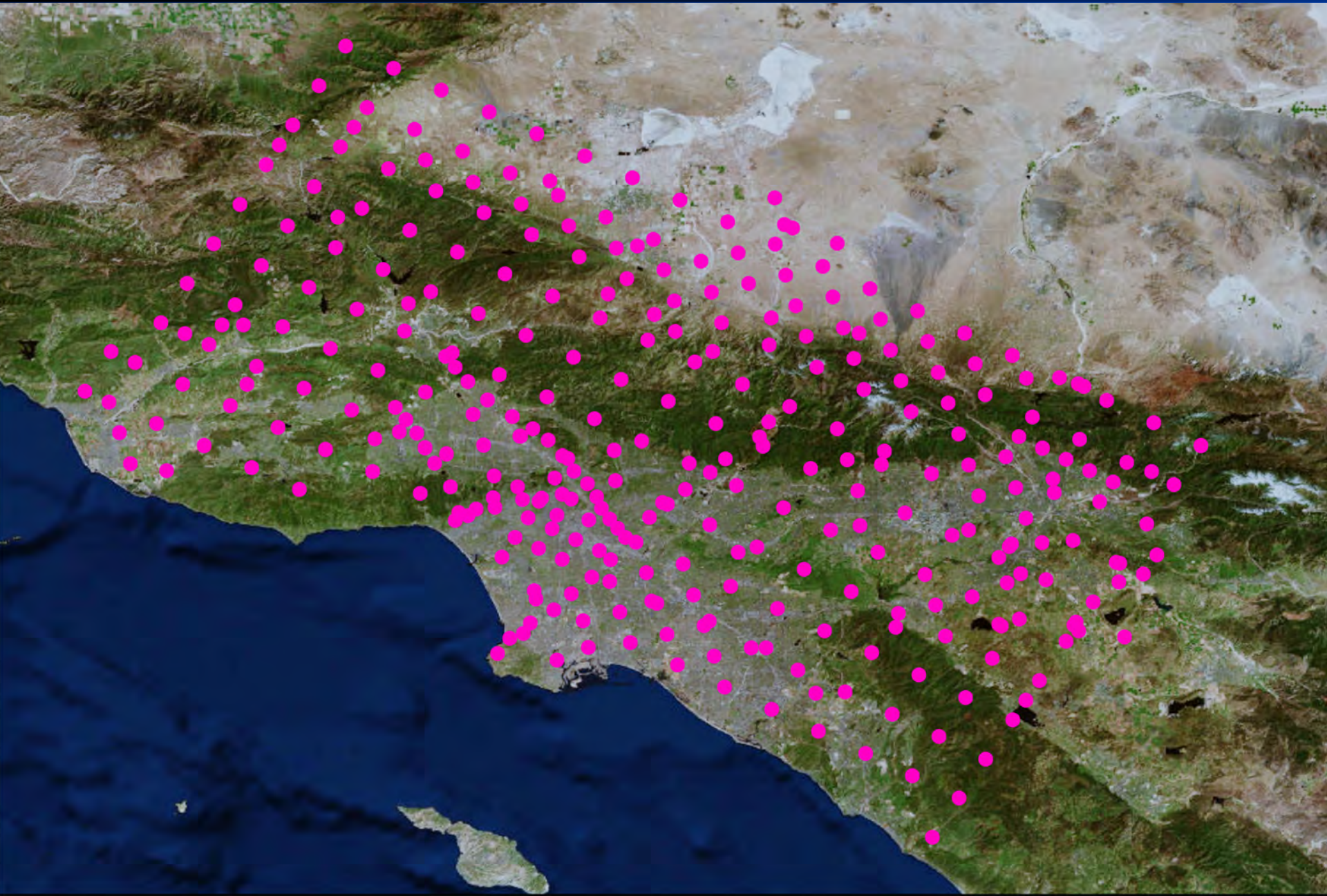
4. MCE_R Response
Spectra



CyberShake Computational Platform used for Simulations

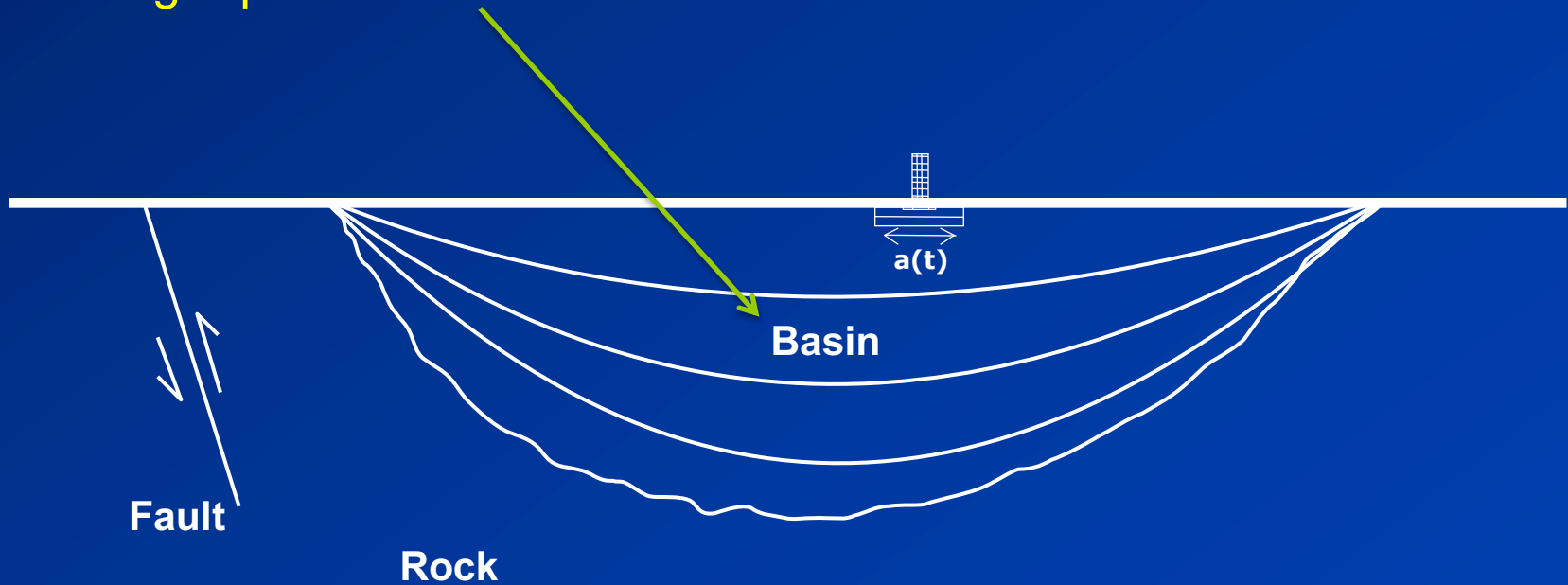
- 3-D physics-based model of fault rupture and wave propagation for S. CA EQs
- 40,000 regional earthquakes ($M \geq 6$) were simulated
 - Multiple hypocenter and slip models for each given M on given fault
 - e.g., 140 models for $M6.7$ on Northridge fault (~ no. for other M on this fault)
- 440,000 ground-motion simulations for each of 336 sites

Simulated Motions computed at 336 CyberShake Sites



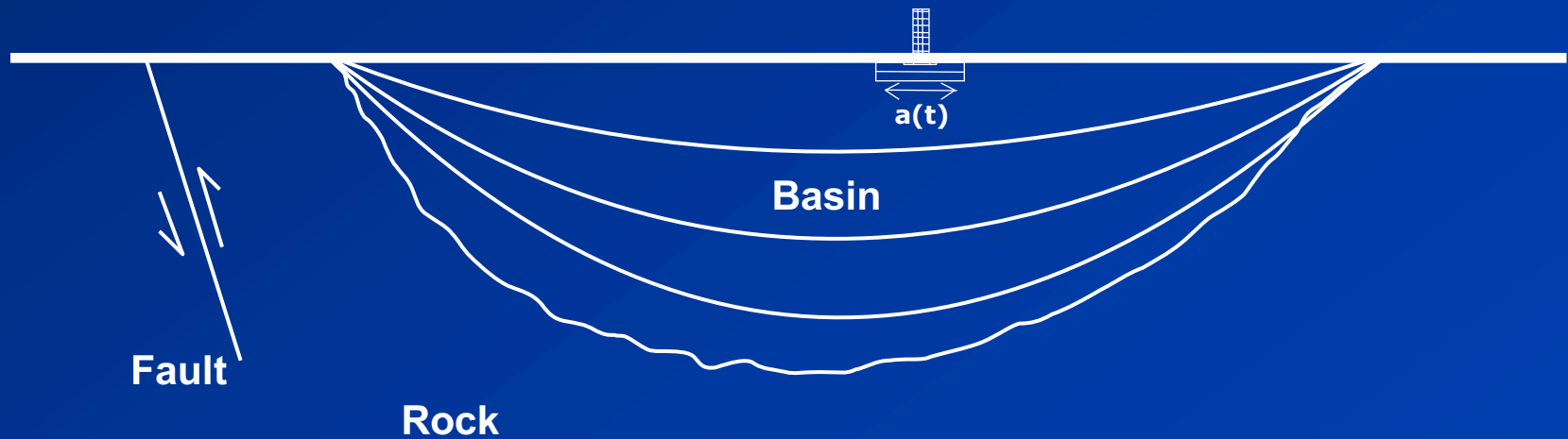
Advantages of 3D Simulations for L.A. Region

Basin Structure, V_p , V_s , & Q – Well known for modeling propagation of longer period waves.

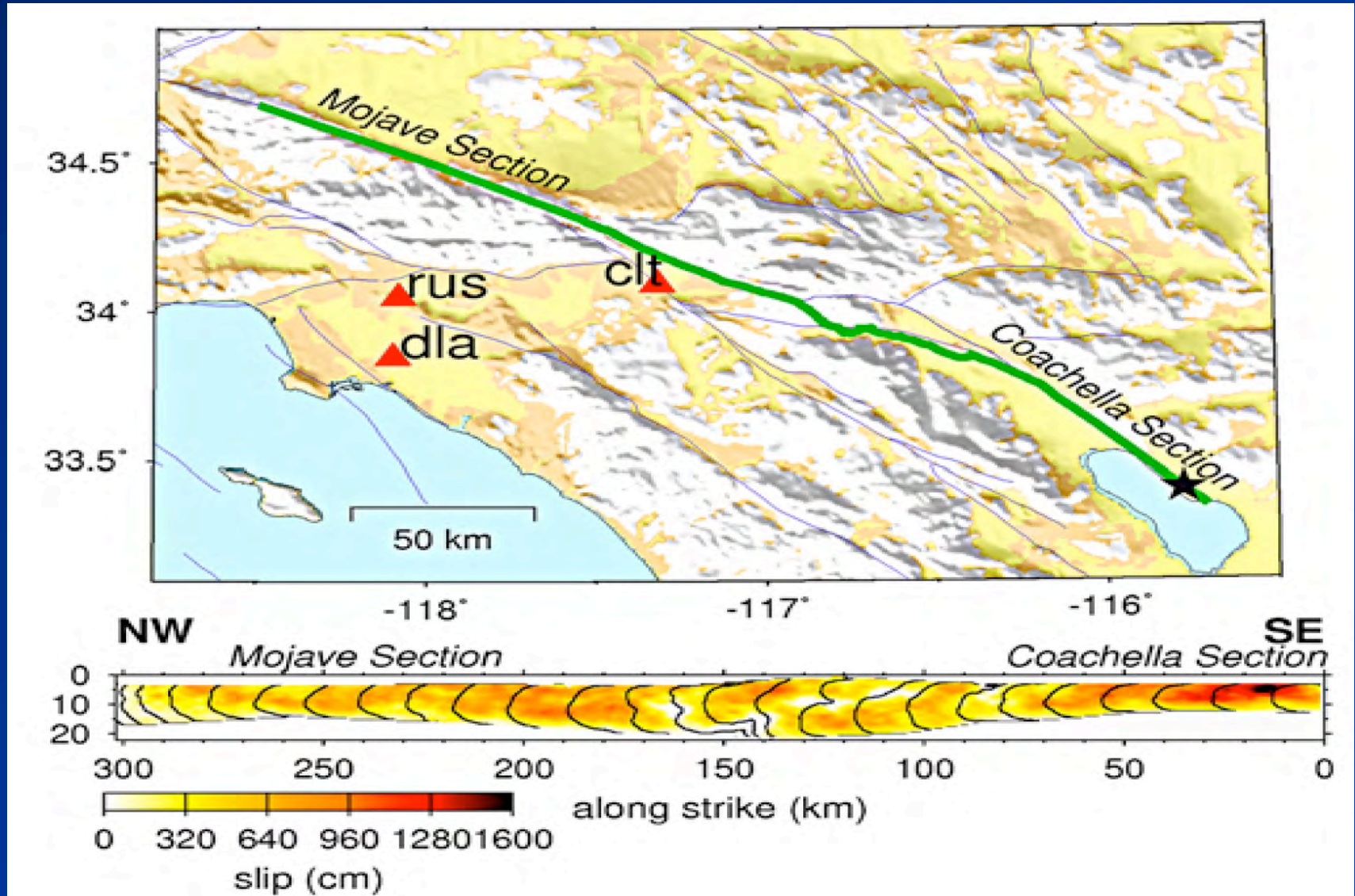


Validation of Simulations

Validated against recordings from moderate M events.
Limited validations done for 1994 M6.7 Northridge EQ.



M 7.8 San Andreas Earthquake Simulations



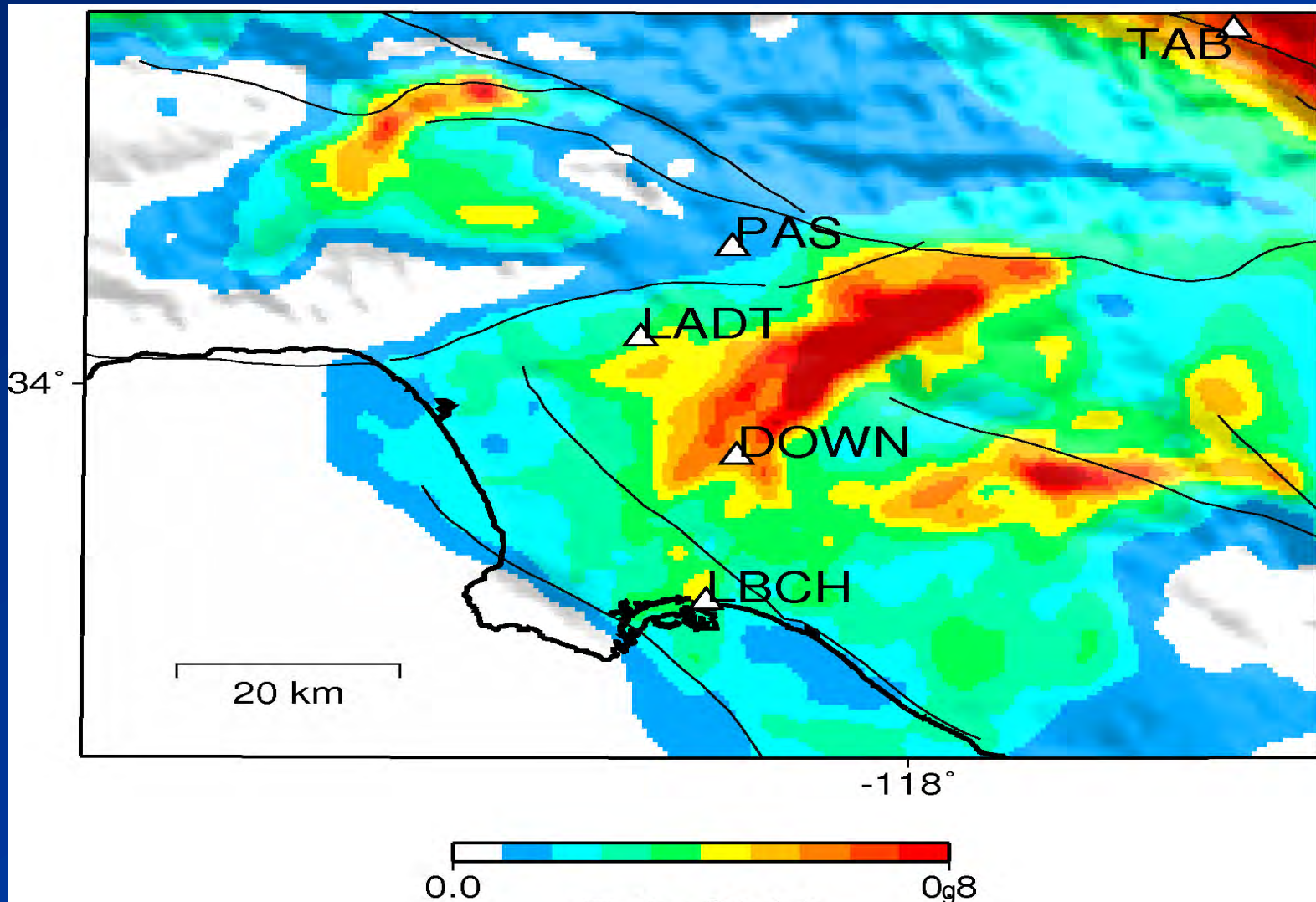
Graves et al. (2008)

M8 Simulation on San Andreas



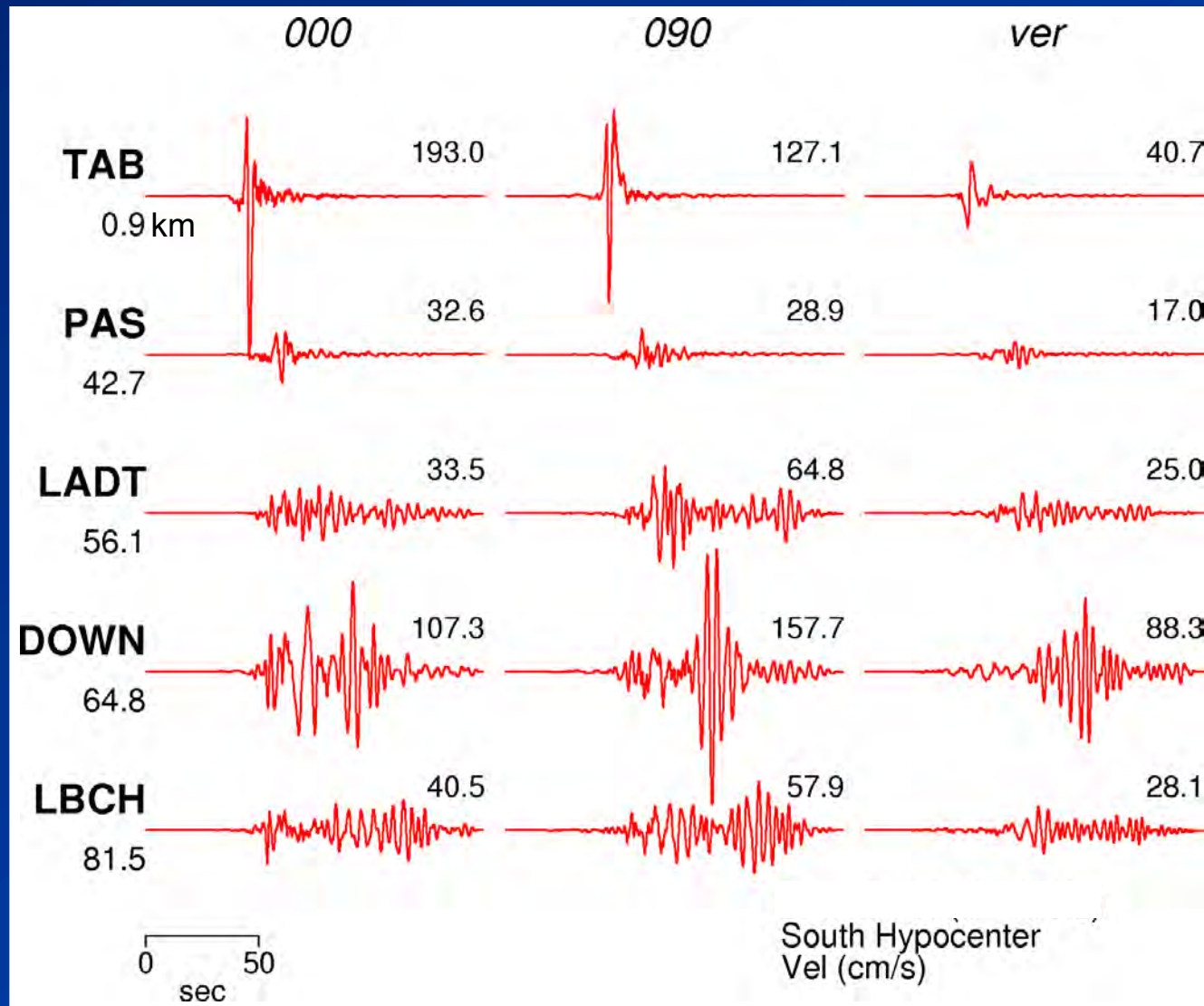
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Sa (T = 3 sec, $\zeta = 5\%$)



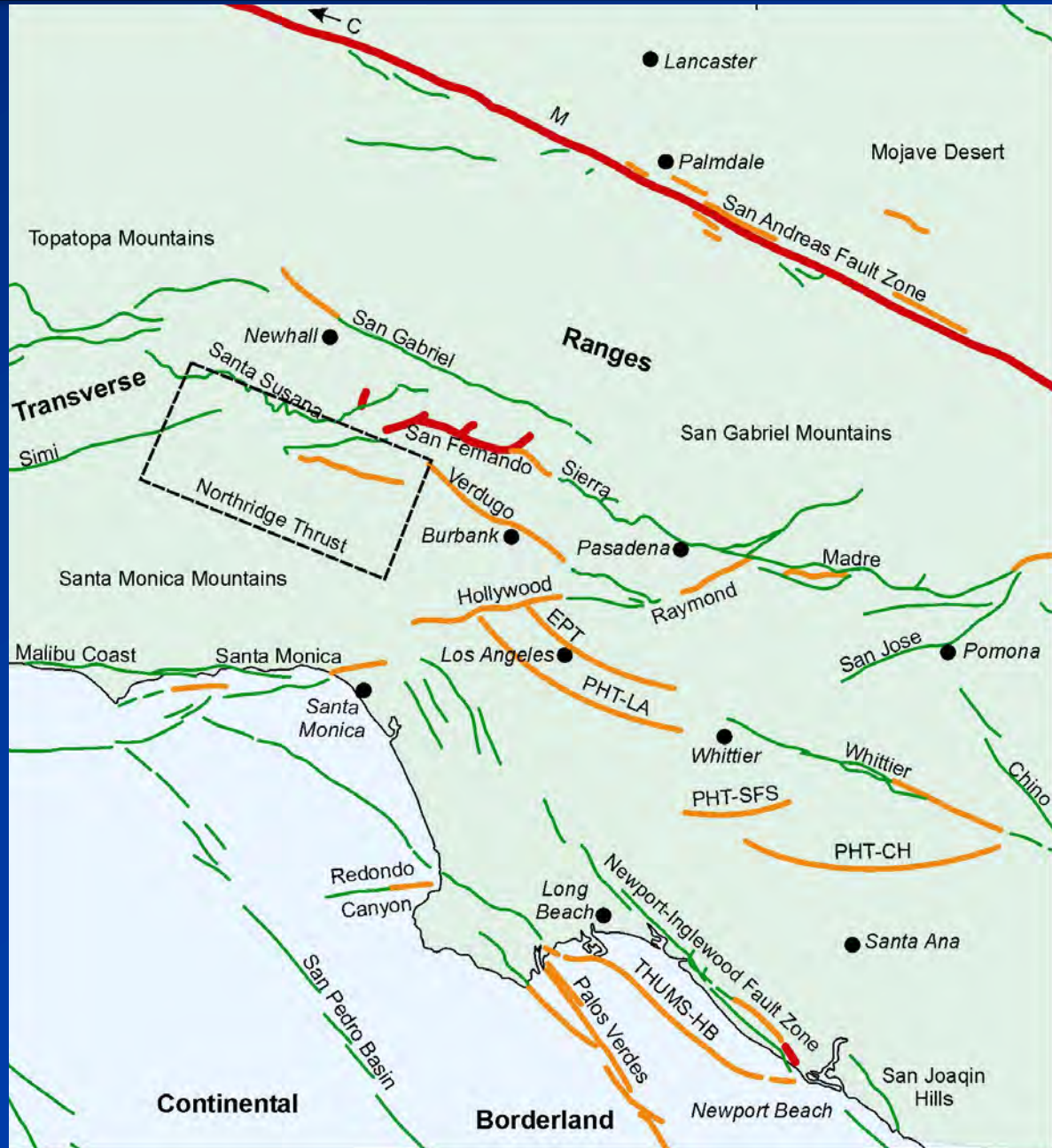
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Velocity Records for M 7.8 San Andreas Event



Site-Specific Approach using NGA West2 GMPEs

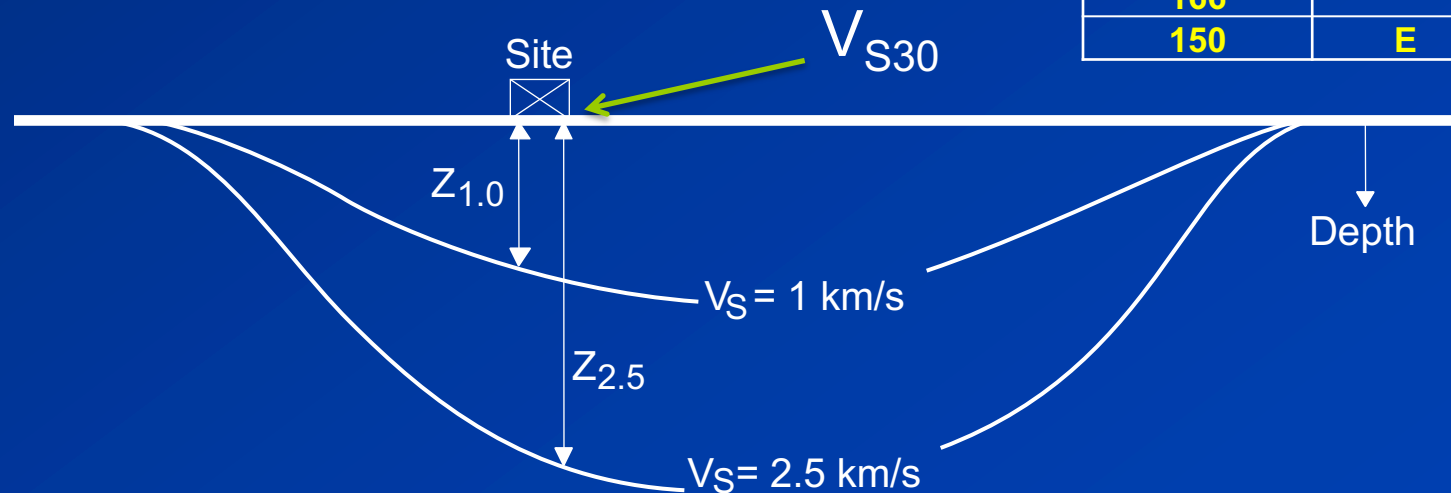
1. Use UCERF3 recurrence models
2. Select ground-motion eqns.
 - Four NGA West 2 eqns.
 - basin depth ($Z_{1.0}$ or $Z_{2.5}$)
 - shear-wave vel. (V_{S30})
 - Substitute $Z_{1.0}$, $Z_{2.5}$, V_{S30} values into eqns.
3. Proceed with PSHA/DSHA (C. 21, ASCE 7-16)
4. MCE_R Response Spectra



2013 NGA West2 Equations with Basin Depth Terms

- Abrahamson et al – $Z_{1.0}$
- Boore et al – $Z_{1.0}$
- Campbell & Bozorgnia – $Z_{2.5}$
- Chiou & Youngs – $Z_{1.0}$

V_{S30} (m/s)	Site Class
1000	A/B
880	
760	B/C
662	
564	C
465	
366	C/D
320	
274	D
229	
183	D/E
166	
150	E



2-D Basin Profile

MCE_R Response Spectra

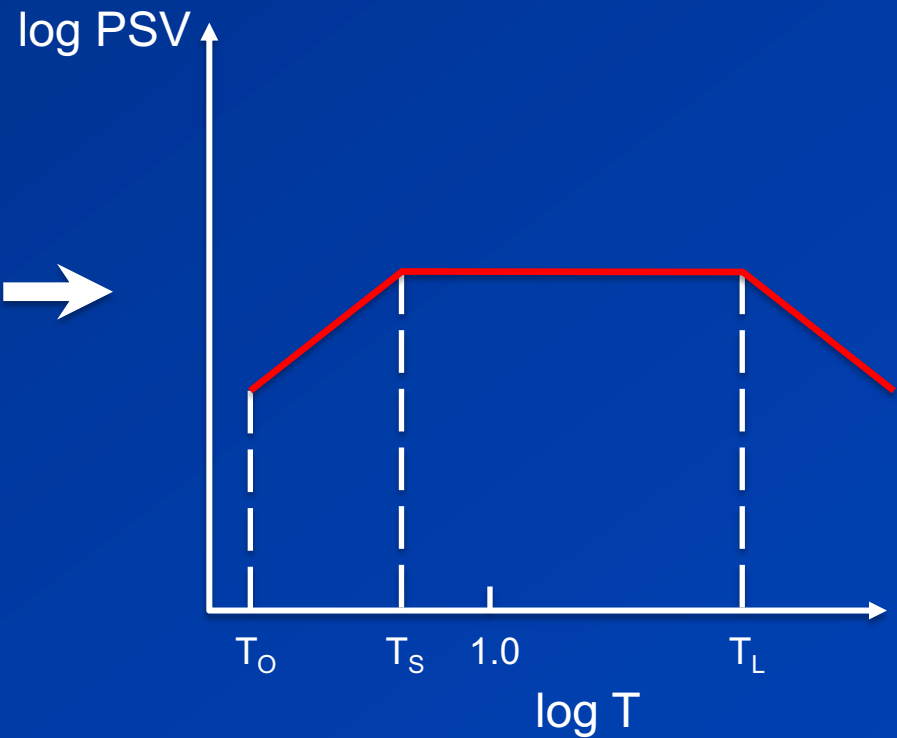
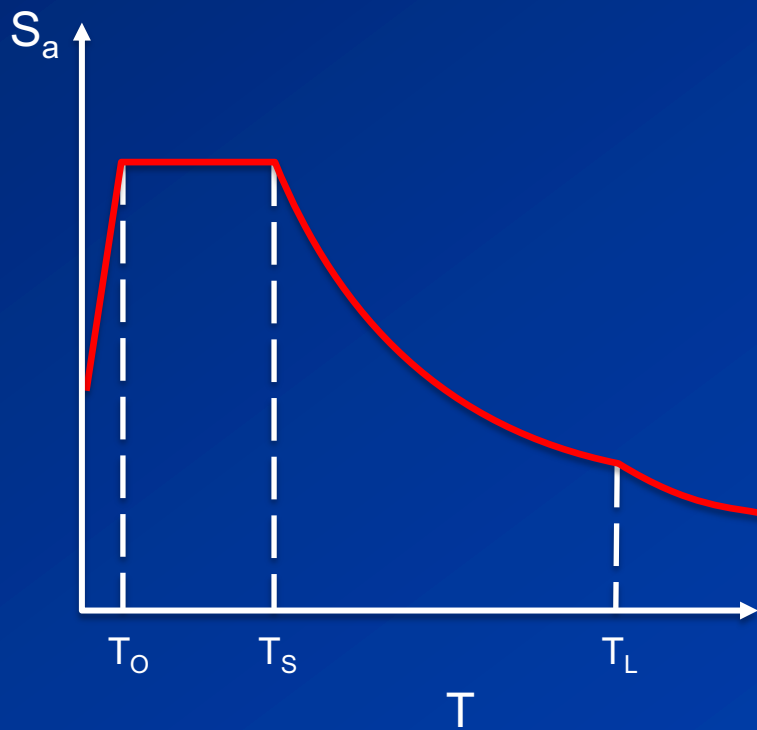
- CyberShake ($T = 2 - 10$ sec)
- NGA West2 GMPEs ($0 - 10$ sec)

Determination of MCE_R Response Spectra, $T = 2 - 10$ sec

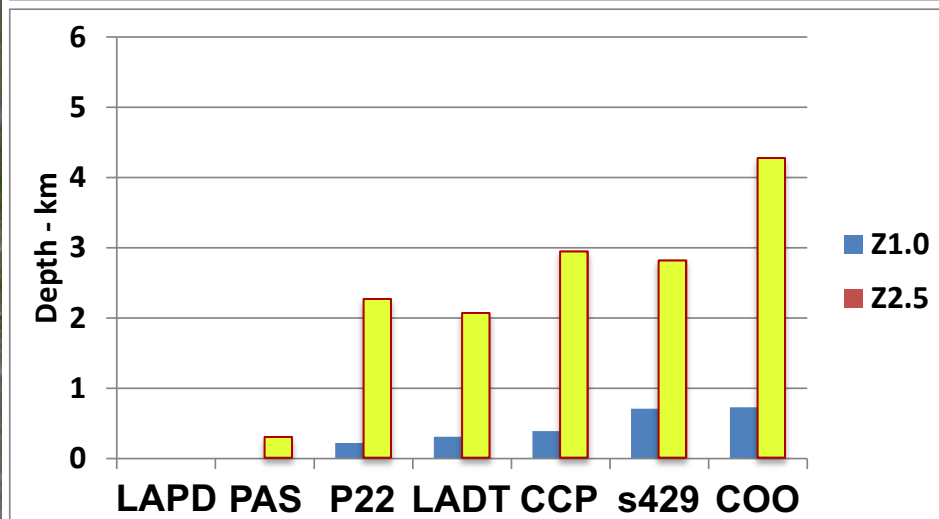
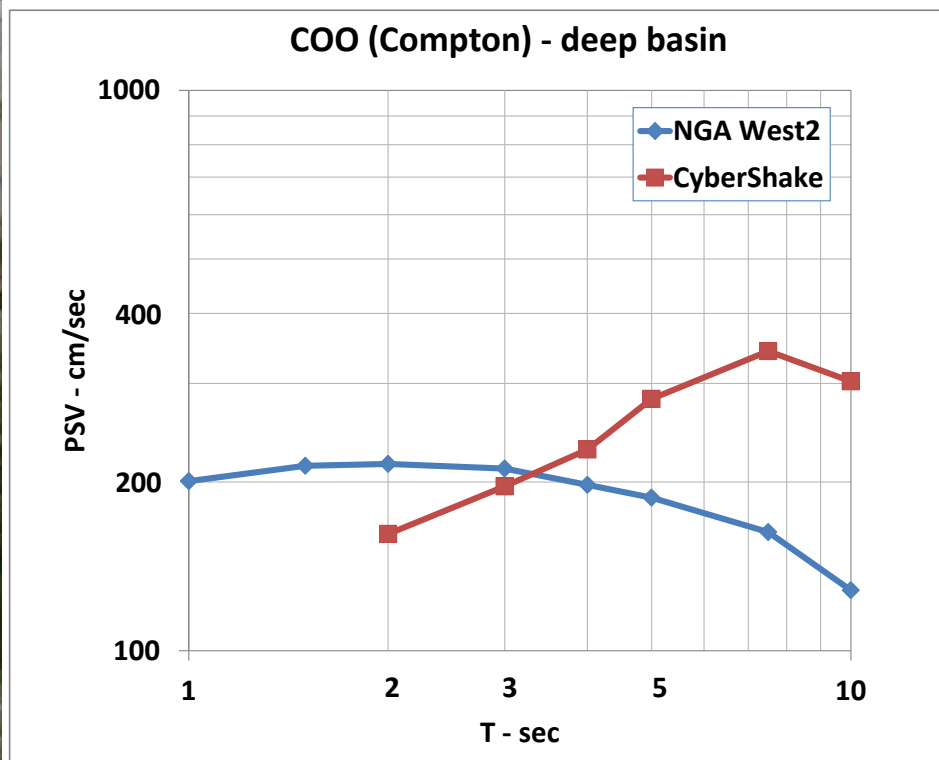
- Computed MCE_R from both approaches at selected sites in L.A. area
- Developed procedure for combining two MCE_R
- Checked final MCE_R for many L.A. area sites

Transform S_a to PSV

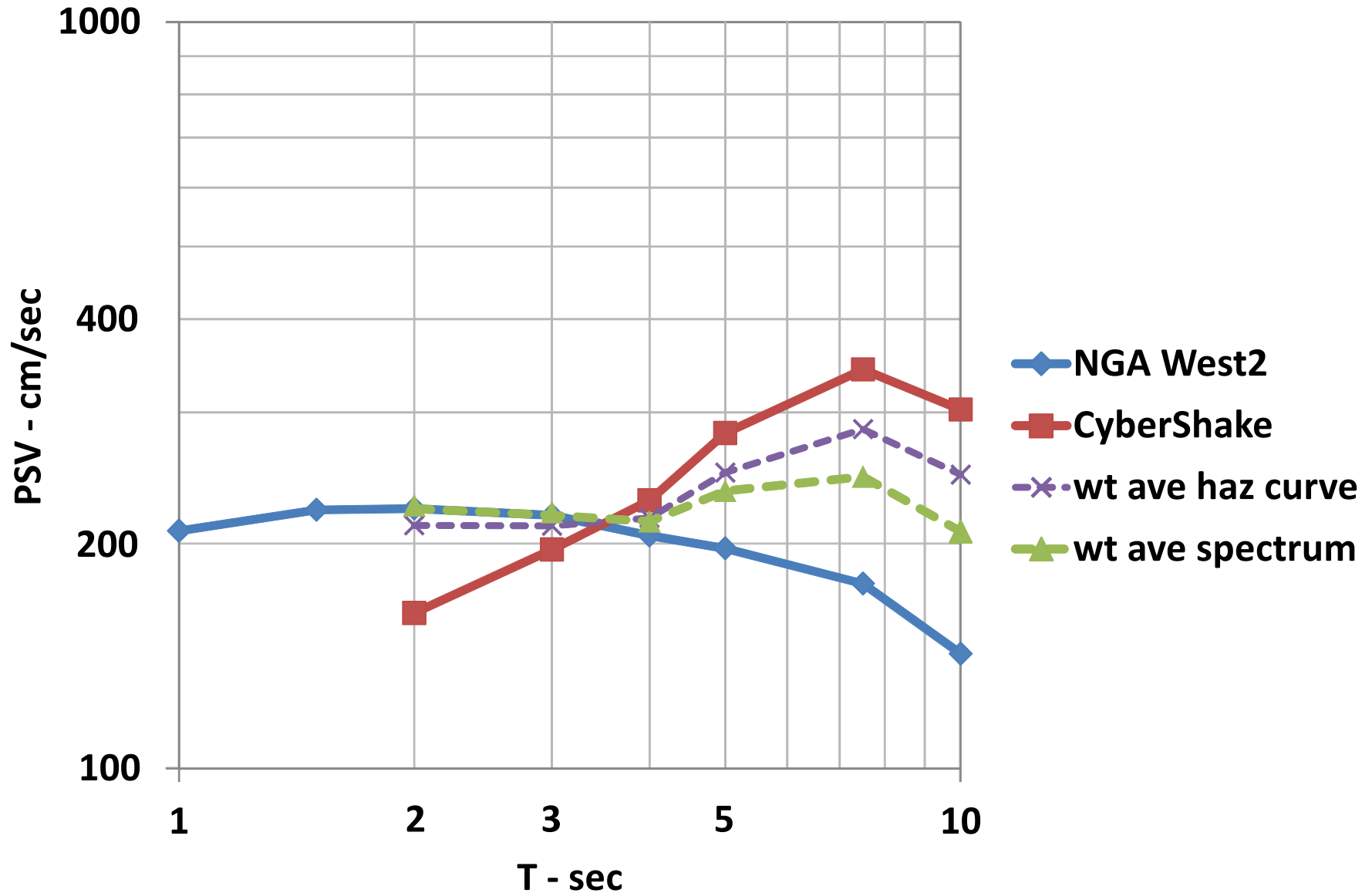
$$\text{PSV} = (T/2\pi)S_a$$



MCE_R PSV for 7 Sites to Illustrate Trends



COO (Compton) - Deep Basin



Weighted Averaging of MCE_R Response Spectra

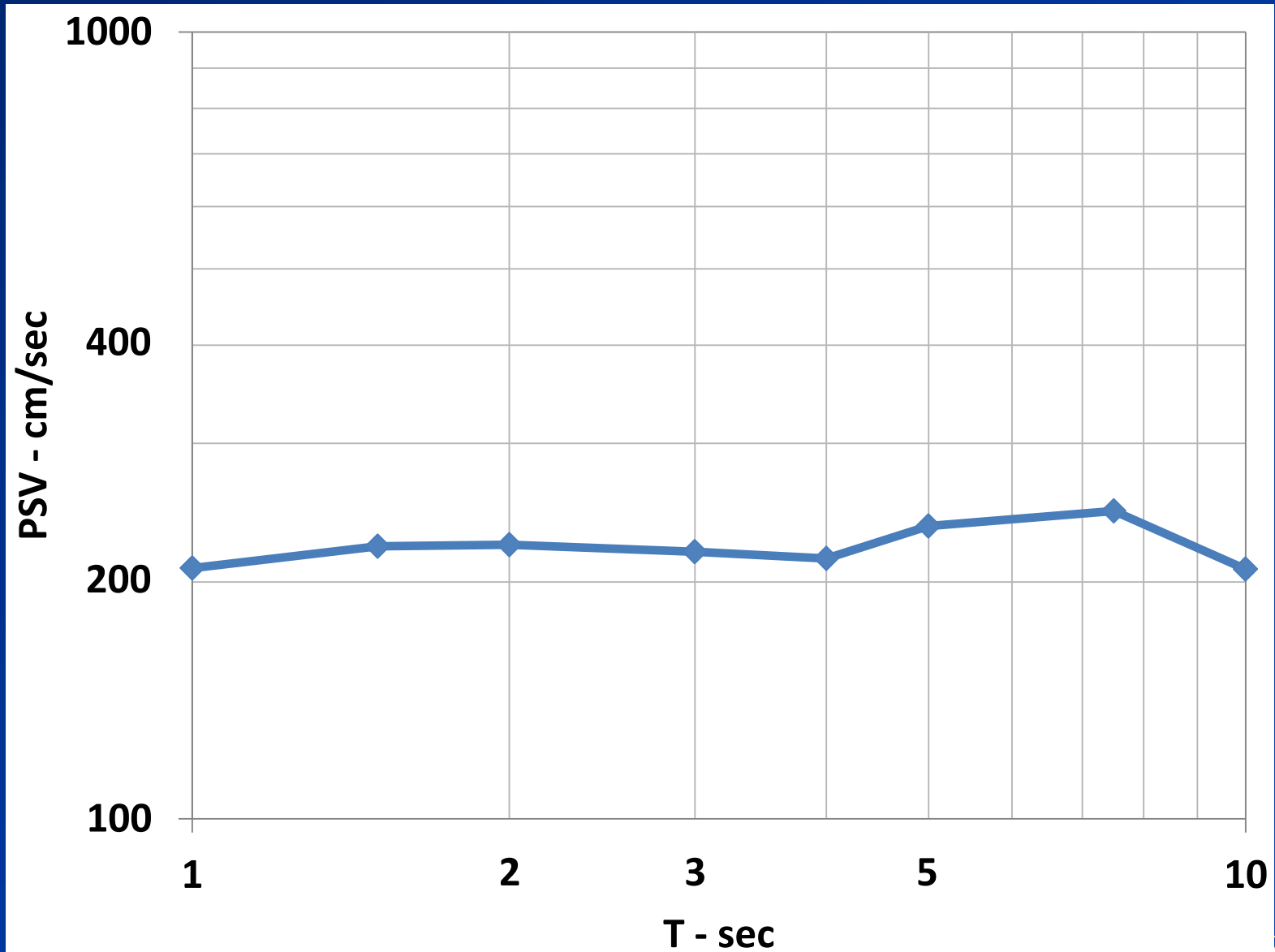
Source Model

G-M Models

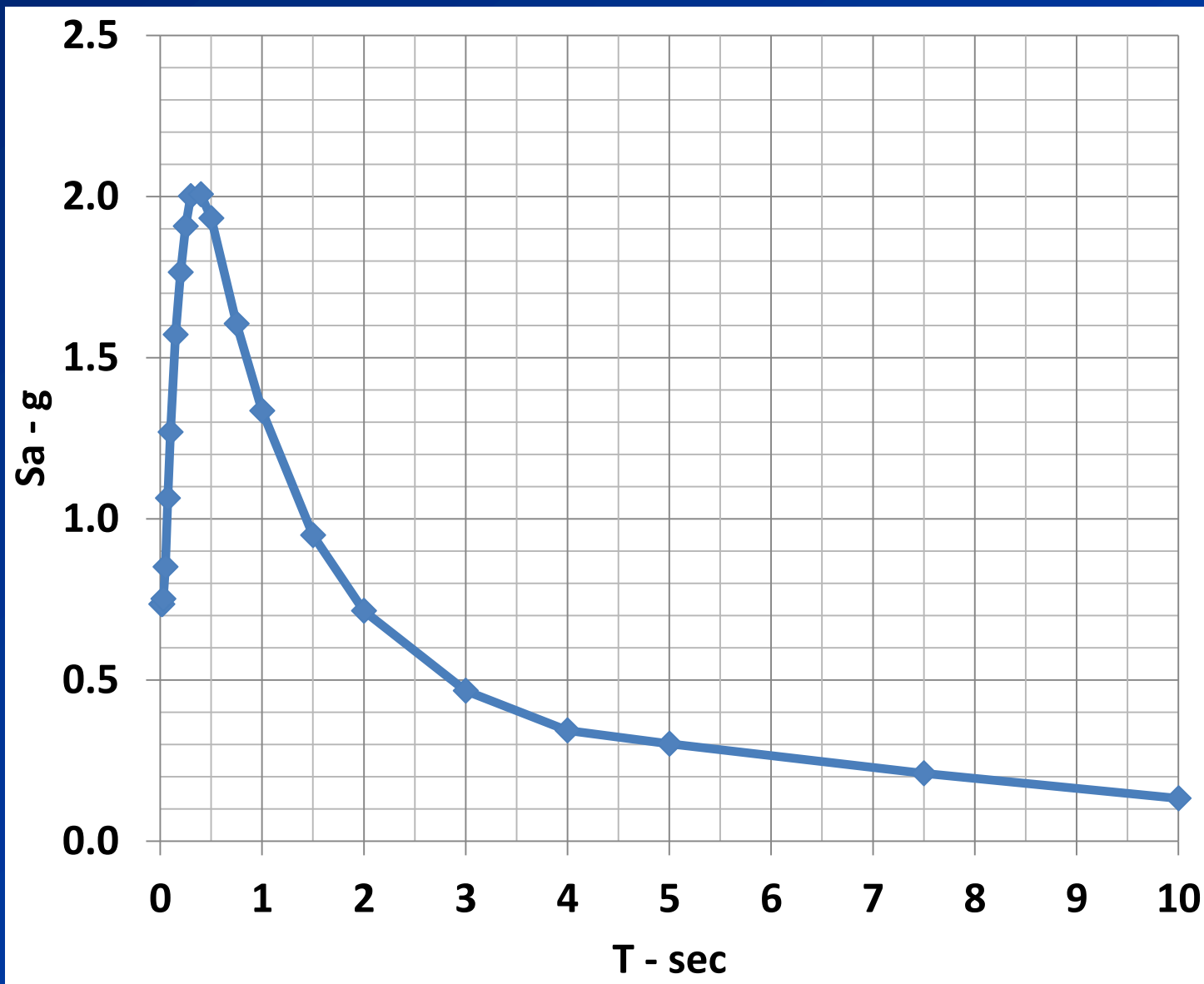
Weights

	GMPE		Collective Weights for Periods, T - sec				
	NGA West2	Individual Weight	< 2	2	3	4	≥ 5
UCERF3	AKS	0.25	1	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5
	BASS	0.25					
	CB	0.25					
	CY	0.25					
UCERF2	CyberShake		0	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5

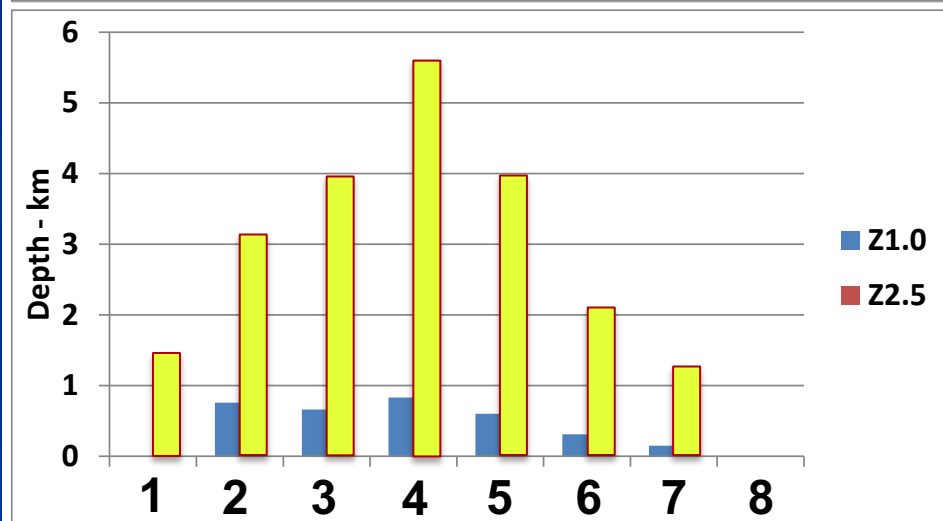
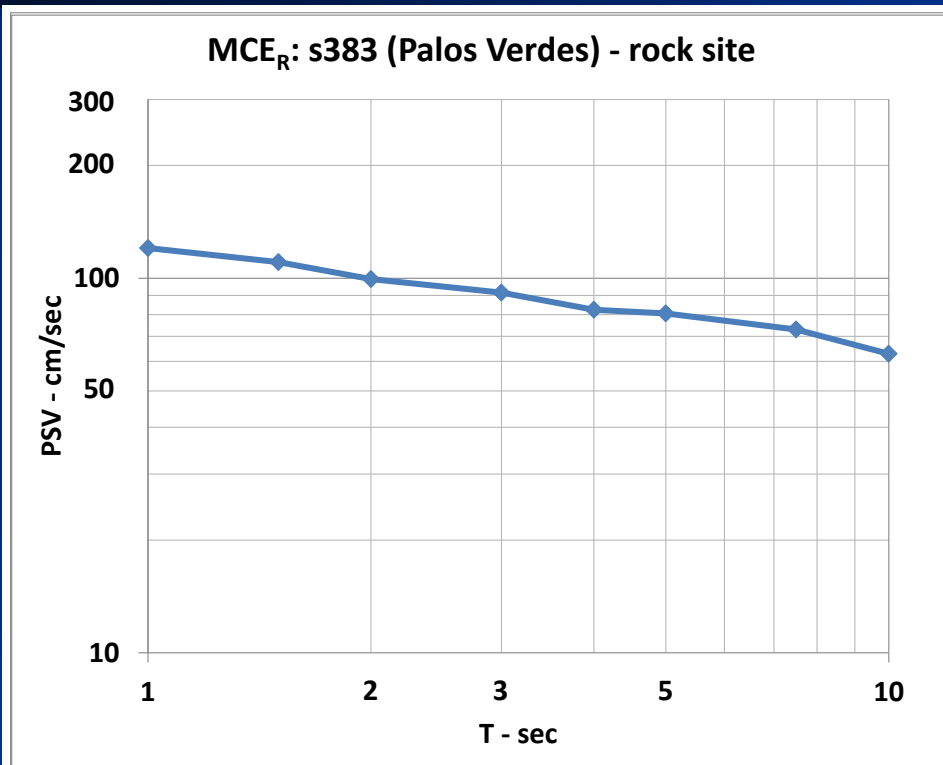
MCE_R : COO (Compton) - Deep Basin



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Line 1



End Products of UGMS Project

- Site-Specific MCE_R for L. A. area
 - Alternative to ASCE 7-16 “maps” (Ch 22) for Southern California and F_a & F_v (Ch 11)
 - Resource to city/county officials & geotechnical & structural engineers
- SCEC/UGMS look-up tool
 - ~ USGS web app tool

Look-Up Tool at:

[https://data2.scec.org/ugms](https://data2.scec.org/ugms-mcerGM-tool)
[-mcerGM-tool v18.4](#)

SCEC UGMS MCE_R Look-Up Tool

Site-Specific MCE_R & Design Response Spectra per Sect. 21.2, 21.3, 21.4 of ASCE 7-16

Input Parameters

Report Title

Latitude and longitude in decimal degrees (or click on map to select site):

Site Geotechnical Classification:

☒ **Site Class**

- Select -

Site Class NOT automatically determined based on site location.

- OR -

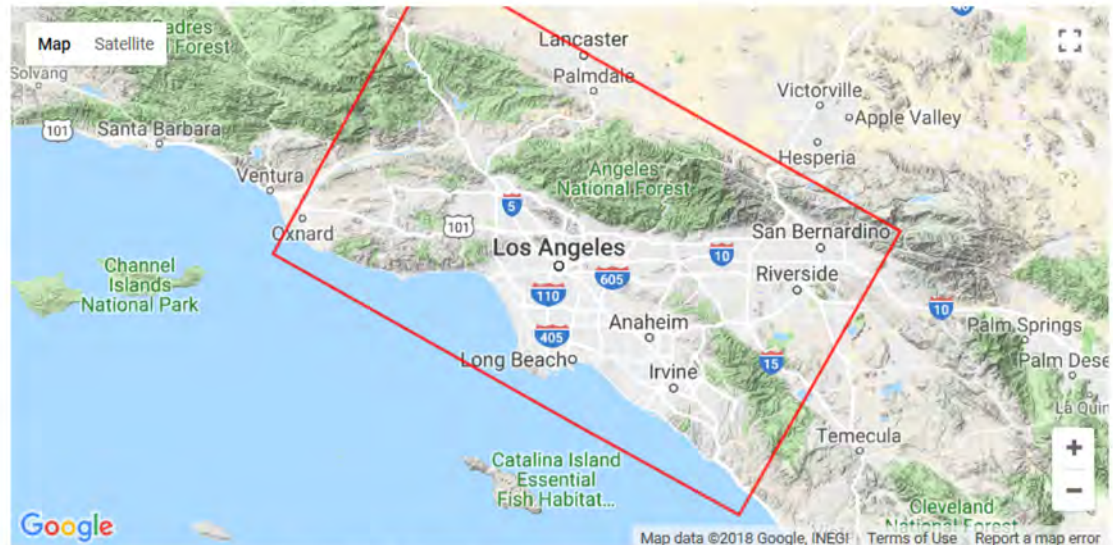
☐ V_{S30} (m/s)

Value

- OR -

☐ Unknown (Vs30 estimated from Wills et al., 2015)

Compute Response Spectra



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LADT Example

Site-Specific MCE_R & Design Response Spectra per Sect. 21.2, 21.3, 21.4 of ASCE 7-16

Input Parameters

Report Title

LADT

Latitude and longitude in decimal degrees (or click on map to select site):

34.0548

-118.2487

Site Geotechnical Classification:

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Site Class

- Select -

Site Class NOT automatically determined based on site location.

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V_{s30} (m/s)

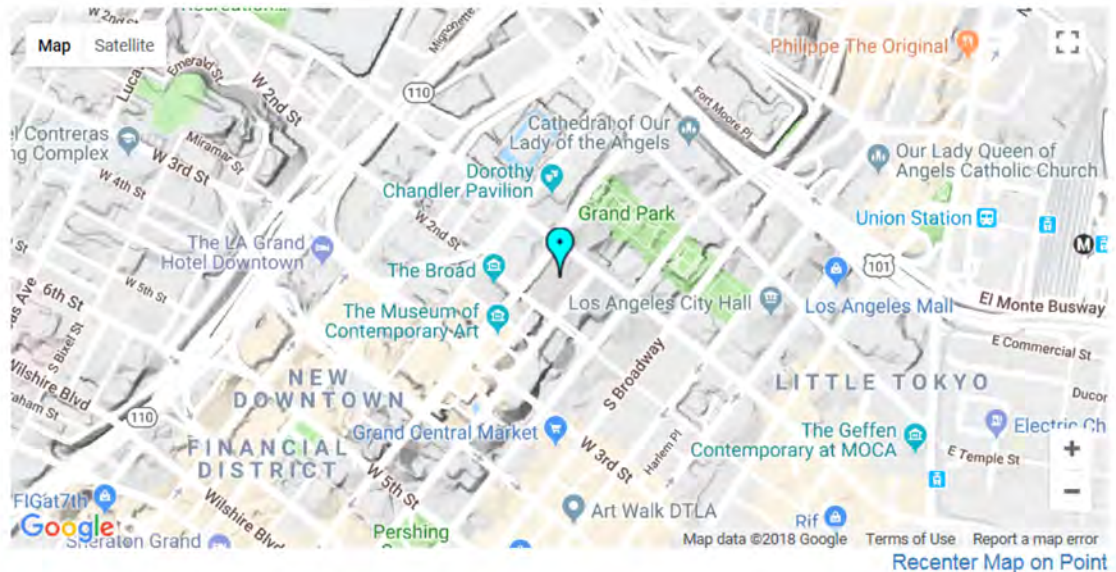
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- OR -

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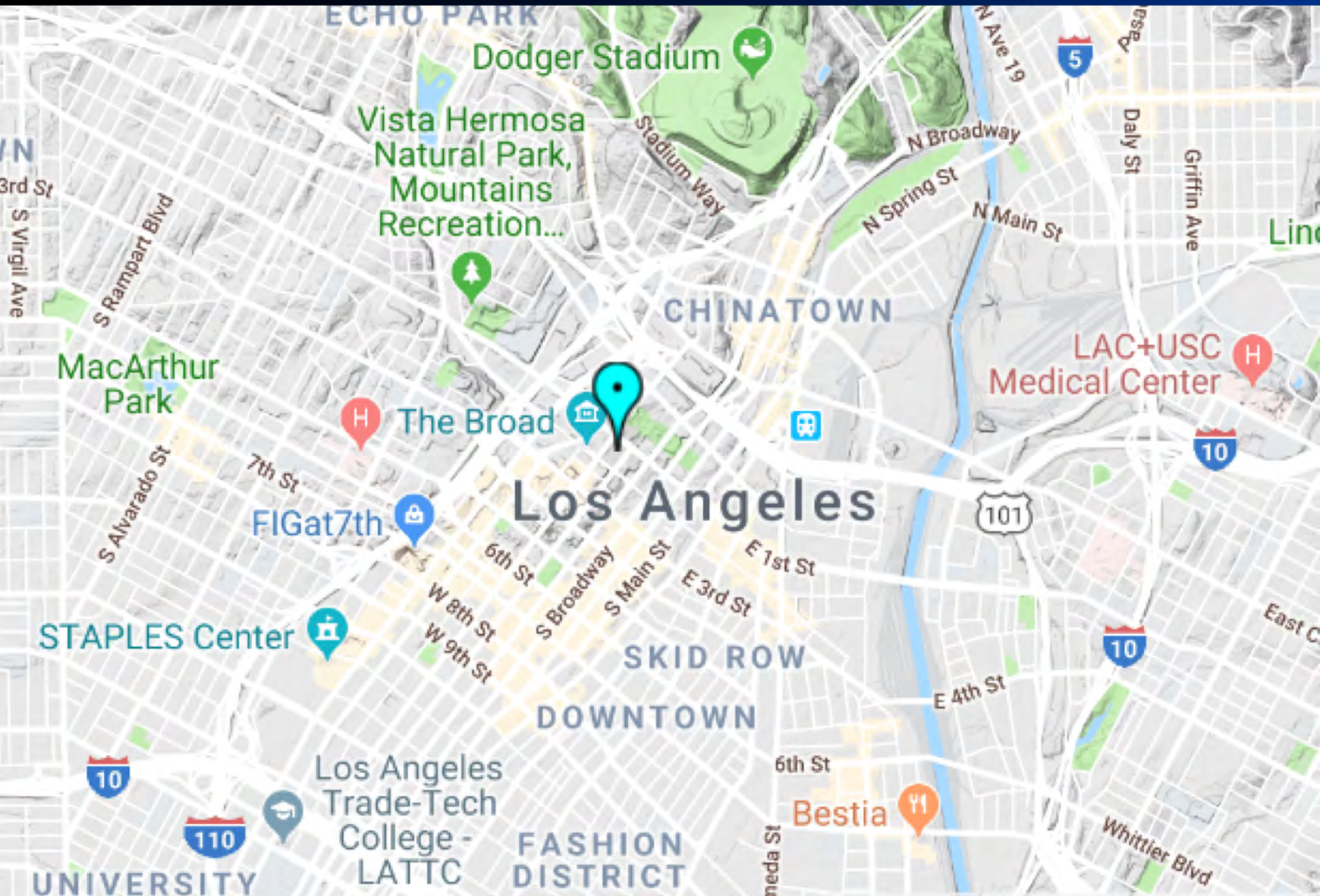
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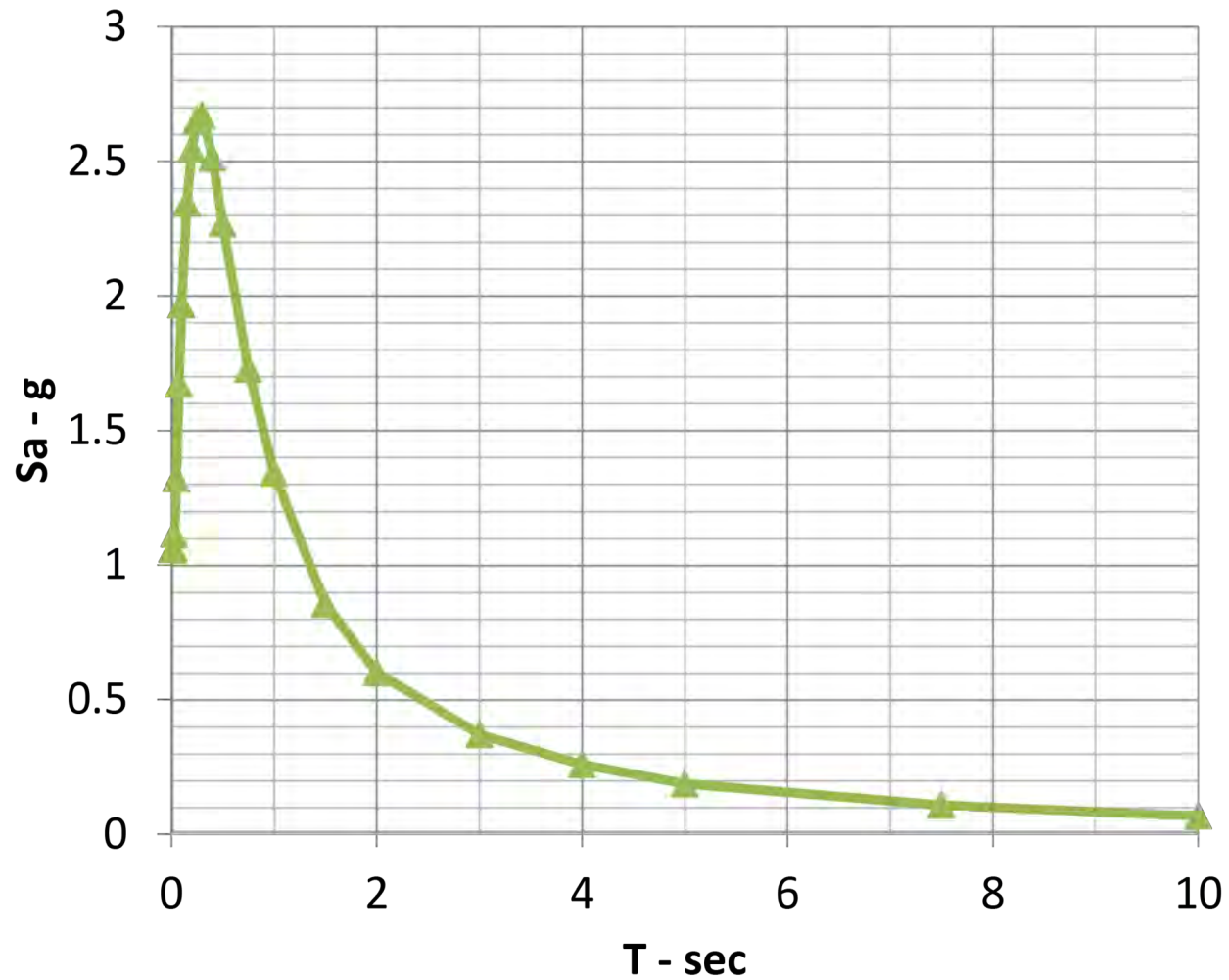


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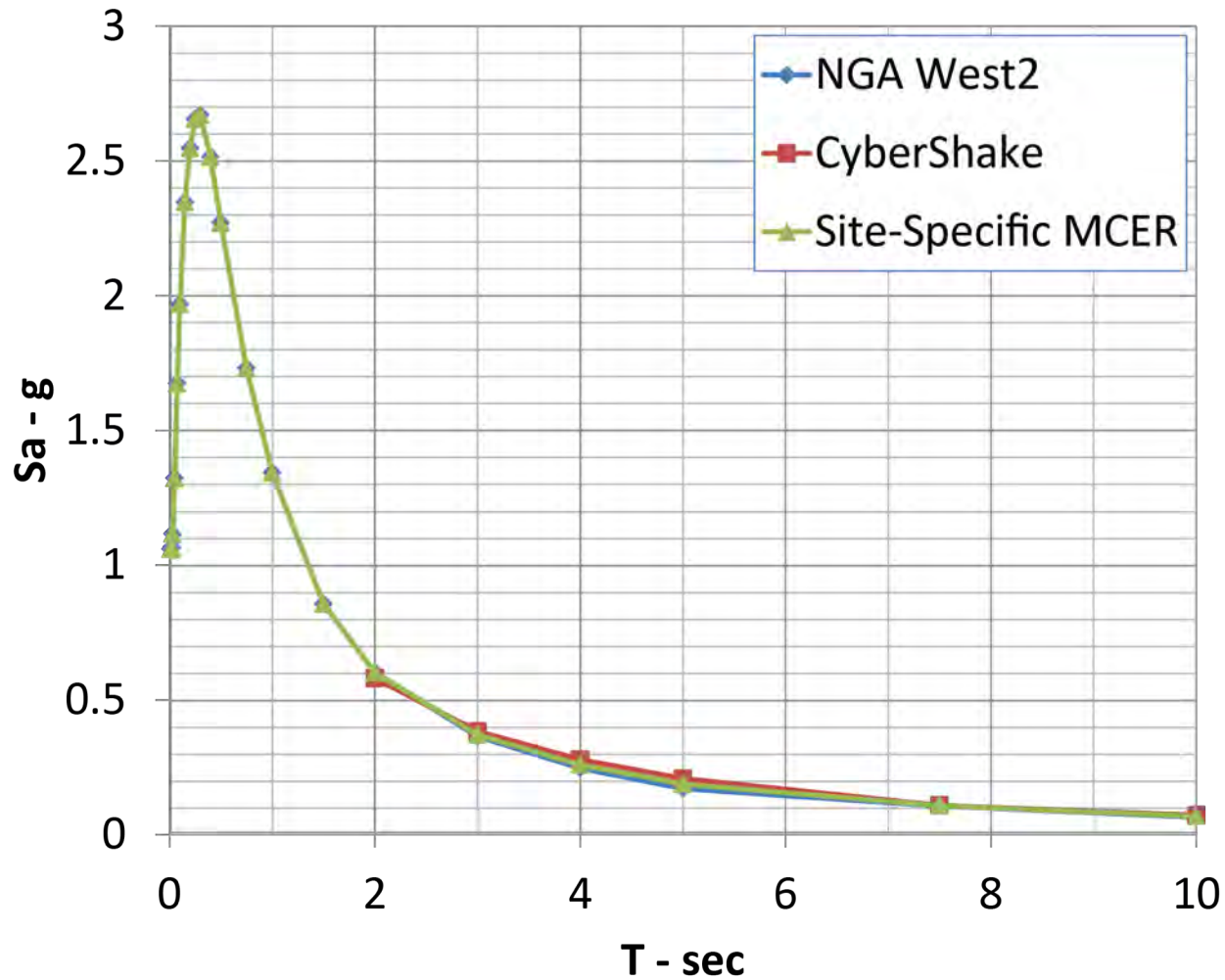
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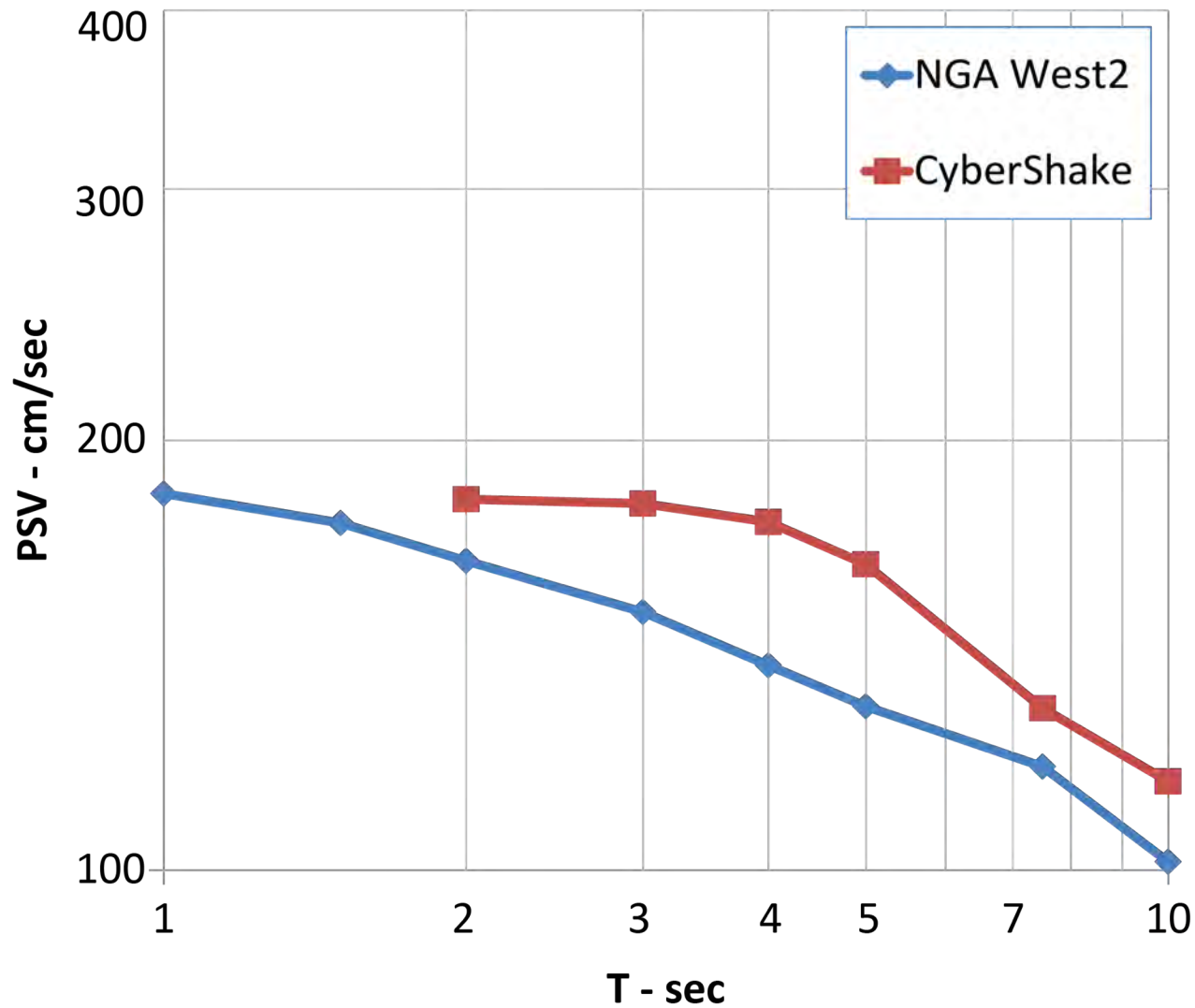
LADT Site-Specific MCE_R Response Spectrum



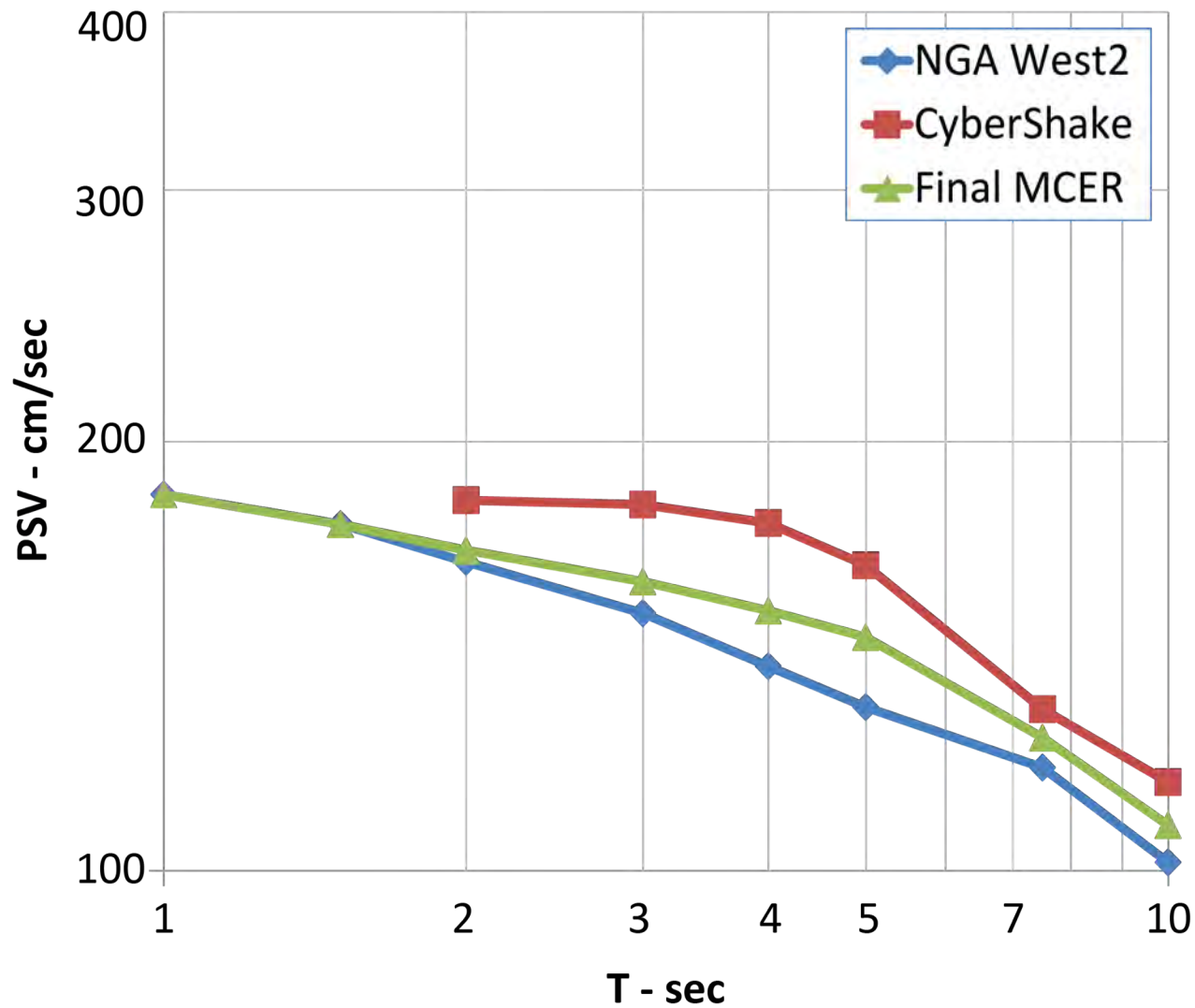
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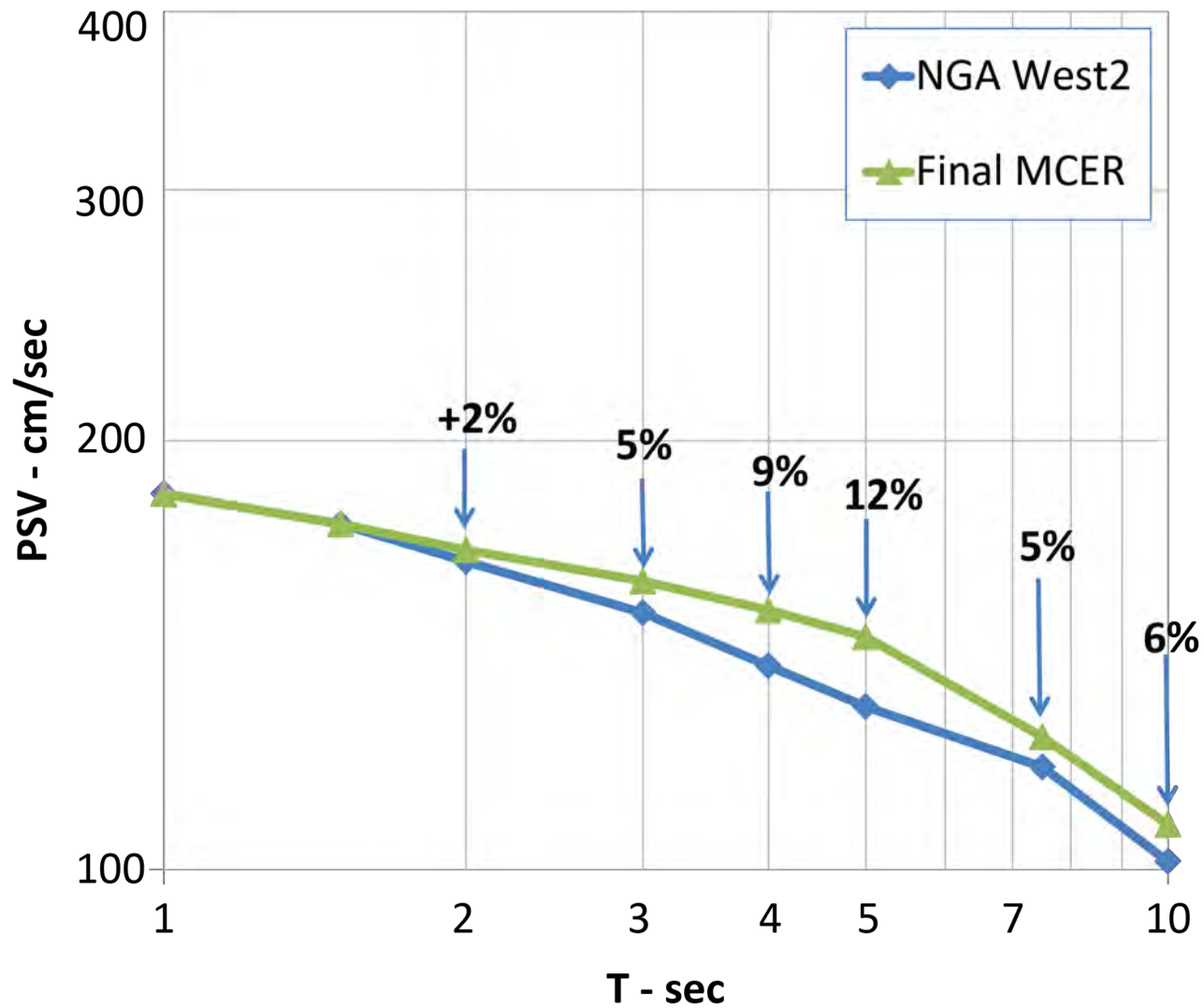
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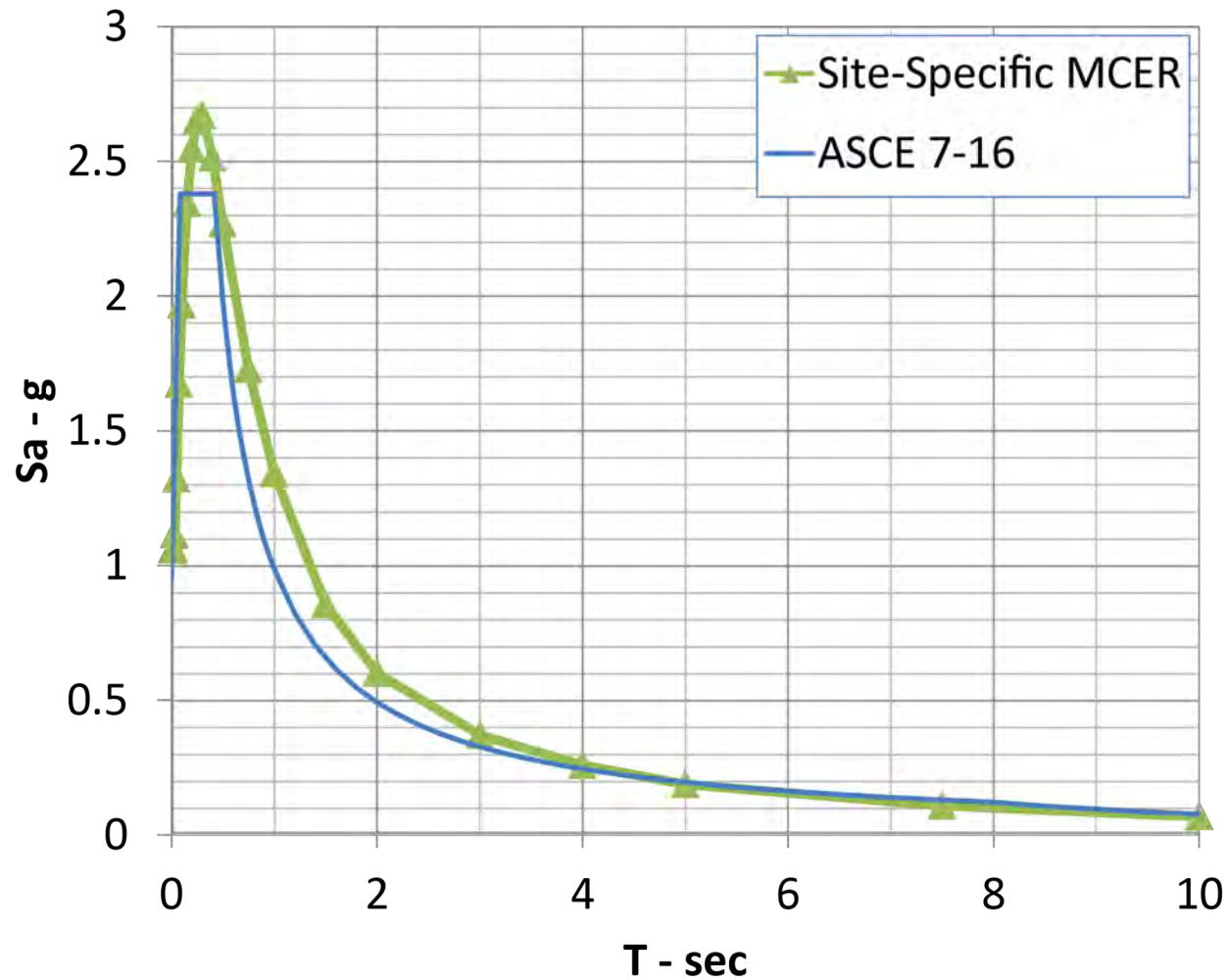
LADT Final Site-Specific MCE_R from Averaging



% Difference between Site-Specific & NGA West2 MCE_R



LADT Site-Specific vs ASCE 7-16 (Ch. 11) MCE_R



Why New MCE_R are Improvement to MCE_R from Chapter 11 ASCE 7-16

- Site-Specific for Los Angeles Region
- Better job in accounting for:
 - local & regional geology
 - fault directivity & fling (CyberShake)
 - 3-D effects of fault rupture & basin structure on ground motion (CyberShake)

Why New MCE_R are Improvement to MCE_R from Chapter 11

ASCE 7-16

- Eliminates need for F_a & F_v tables, which:
 - Don't directly account for basin effects
 - Have step changes at site-class boundaries
 - Are constant for each site class, which covers broad range of V_{s30}

