

The SCEC Broadband Platform: Open-Source Software for Strong Ground Motion Simulation and Validation

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Broadband Platform 22.4 Overview

- Open-Source scientific software that can generate broadband (0-20Hz) ground motions
- Calculates ground motions at user specified sites for historical and scenario earthquakes
- Collaborative software development project involving:
 - SCEC Geoscientists
 - Civil Engineers
 - Graduate Students
 - SCEC Research Computing
- Integrates complex scientific modules including:
 - Rupture Generation
 - Site Effects Calculation
 - Seismogram Synthesis
 - Visualization
- Provides ground motion models from seven different research groups
- Distributed as open-source package for Linux/GNU compilers and as a Docker Image
- Features simplified command-line interface for interactive use and scripting interface

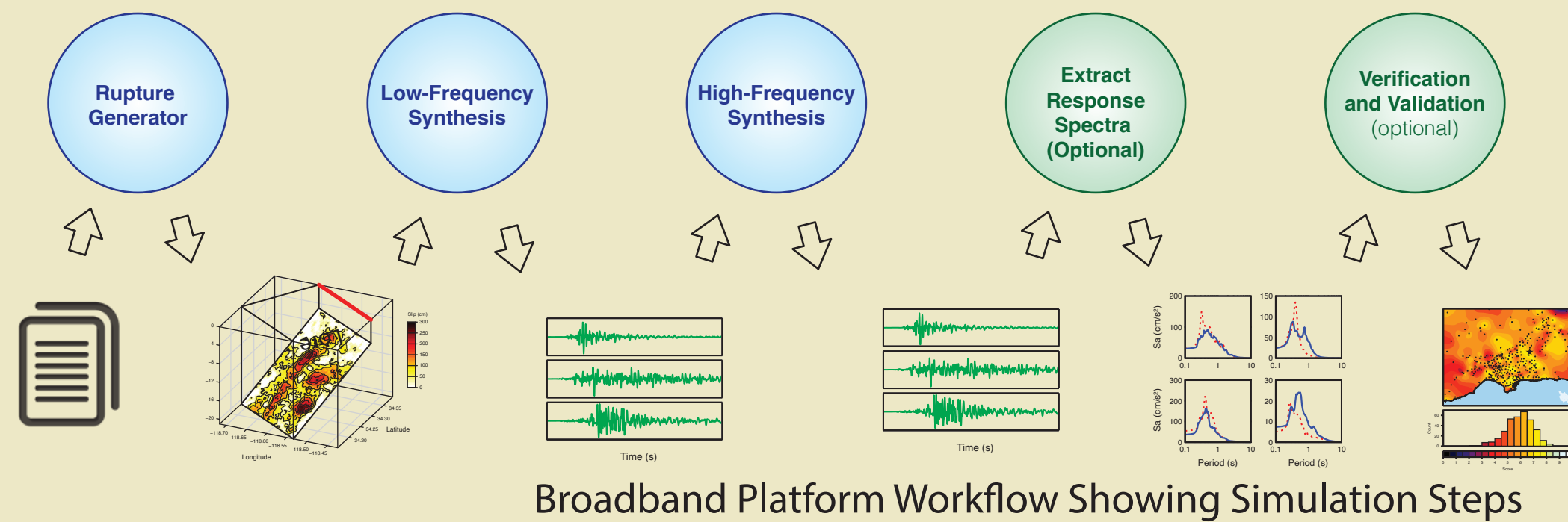
Broadband Platform Features

Validation Simulations

- Calculate seismograms for a historical earthquake
- Use sites where recorded strong motion data is available

Scenario Simulations

- Calculate seismograms of a hypothetical earthquake
- User provides event description
 - Earthquake location
 - Magnitude and Mechanism
- Use sites specified by the user
- 1D Green's Functions Available
 - California (5), Japan (2)



Simulation Methodologies

- Stochastic Method: EXSIM (UWO)
- Broadband Using 1D Green's Functions: UCSB, Composite Source Model (CSM)
- Hybrid - Green's Functions LF, Stochastic HF: Graves & Pitarka (GP), SDSU, SONG, Irikura Recipe Methods 1 and 2

Good Software Engineering Practices

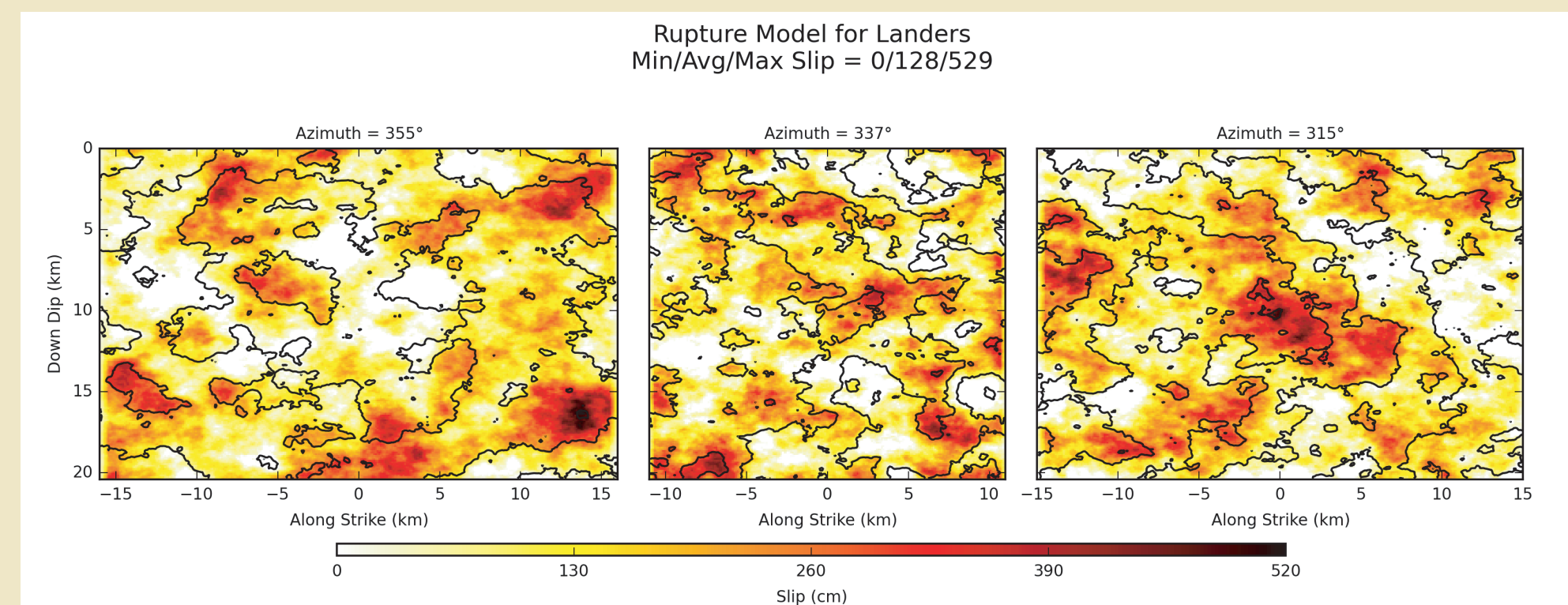
- BSD-3 open-source license with support for method-specific open-source licenses
- Modular architecture with common data formats
 - Supports code integration from multiple sources with minimal changes to original code
- Continuous Integration (CI) set up on GitHub
 - Unit tests confirm modules are working properly
 - End-to-end acceptance tests ensure user installation produces expected results
- Formal software releases with DOIs for software distribution and validation dataset
 - Version control to track software changes and versions using GitHub
 - Ticketing system to document and resolve issues, documentation available on wiki

Recent Broadband Platform Developments for 2019-2022

- Migrated Broadband Platform to Python 3.7+ and GNU 8.0+ compilers
- Added FAS validation for a better seismological interpretation of ground motions
- Implemented multi-segment rupture capabilities into most BBP simulation methods
- Updated GP low-frequency module, resulting in a 10x performance improvement
- Revised the UCSB source generator to assume a double-corner frequency source spectrum
- Included Central California, Central Italy, and Southern Walker Lane simulation regions
- Established common BBP codebase by merging CyberShake BBP changes into this release
- Added Hector Mine and Ridgecrest 2019 A/B/C validation events
- Used to simulate ground motions produced by large magnitude (M7.5+) ruptures
 - Used in study of building response to strong ground motions
- Integrated RSQsim-generated rupture slip-time histories into BBP workflow
 - Used to calculate large collection of ground motion parameters for M6 to M8 ruptures

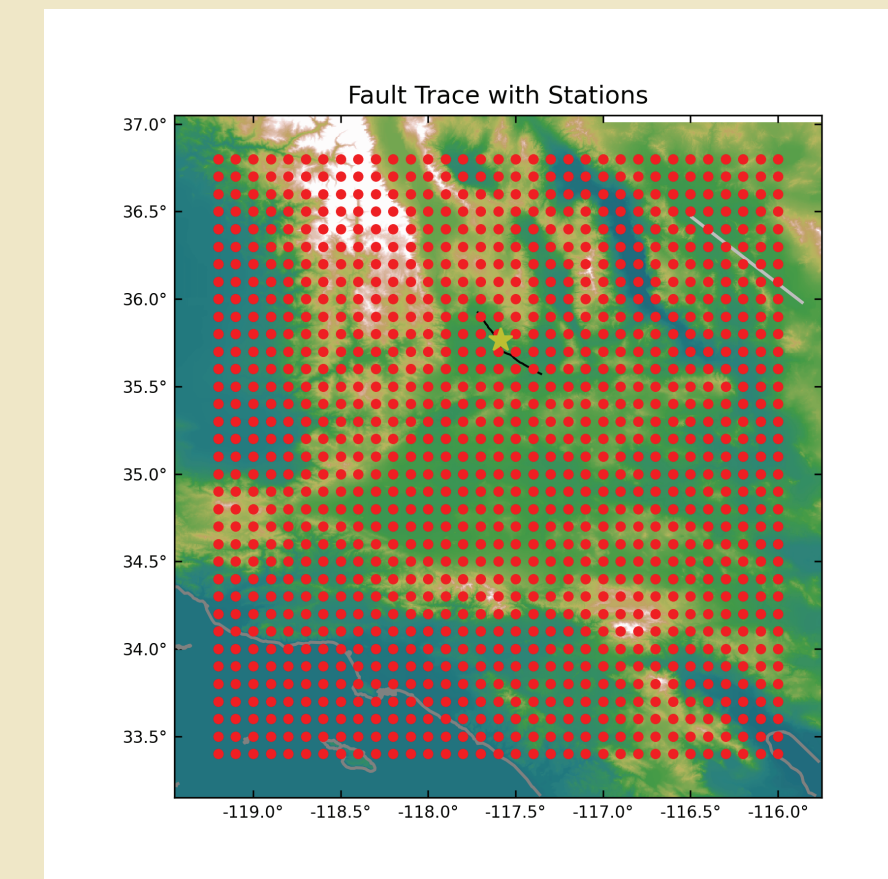
Broadband Scenario Simulations

- Data products
 - Rupture slip time histories
 - Station and fault trace plots
 - Seismograms (velocity and acceleration)

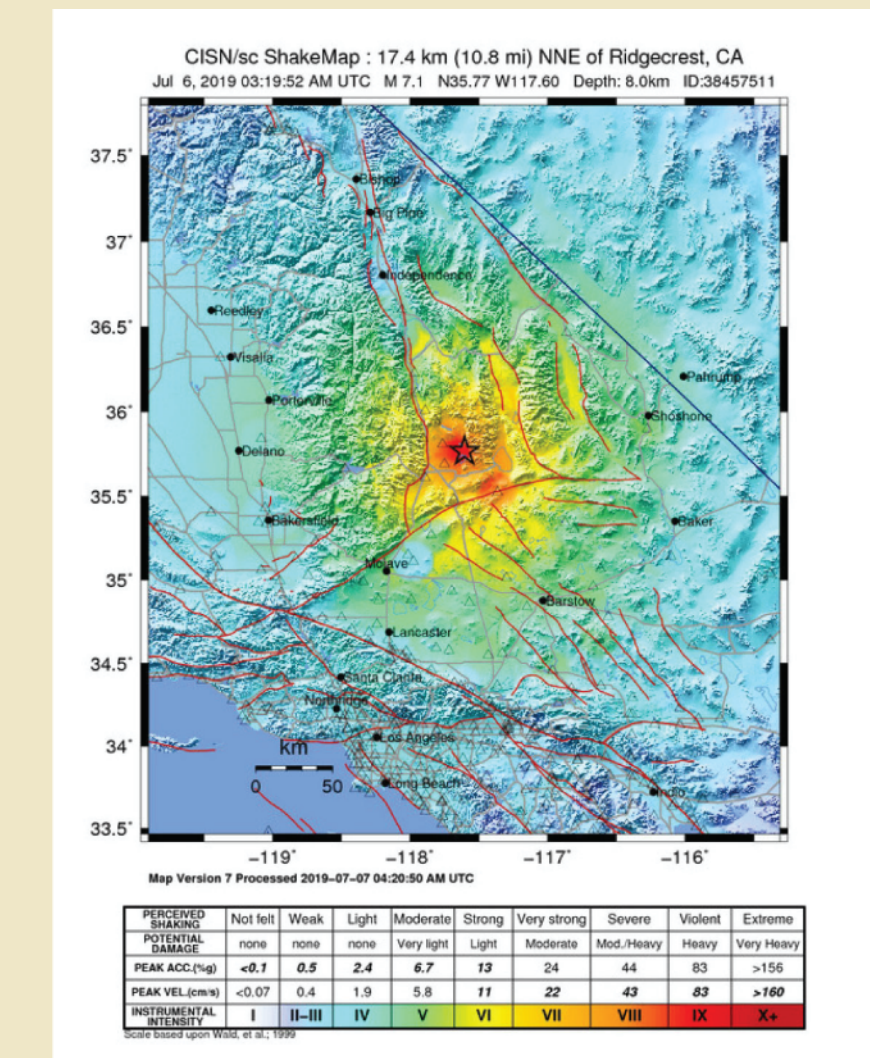


Landers Earthquake (1992) Multi-Segment Slip Distribution

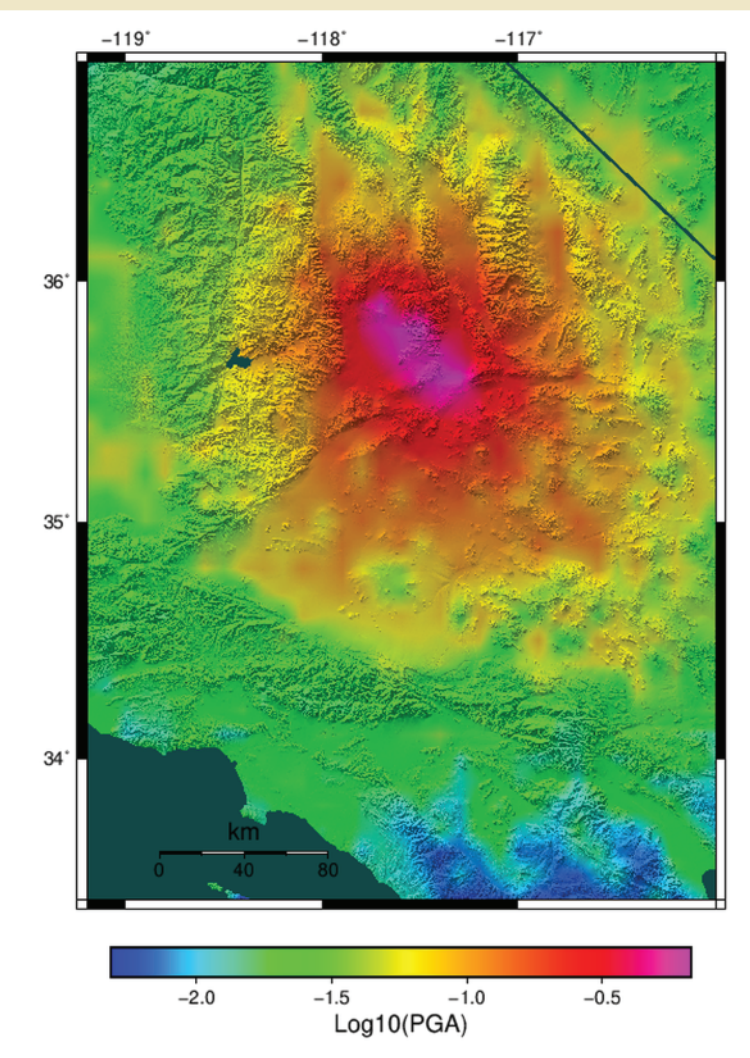
- Ridgecrest M7.1 July 5th 2019 Simulation (GP method)
 - Use about 1,200 stations distributed uniformly in a grid
 - Export PGA and PGV data into OpenSHA
 - Create ground motion intensity maps



Station Map Using Station Grid



CISN ShakeMap - Instrumental Intensity

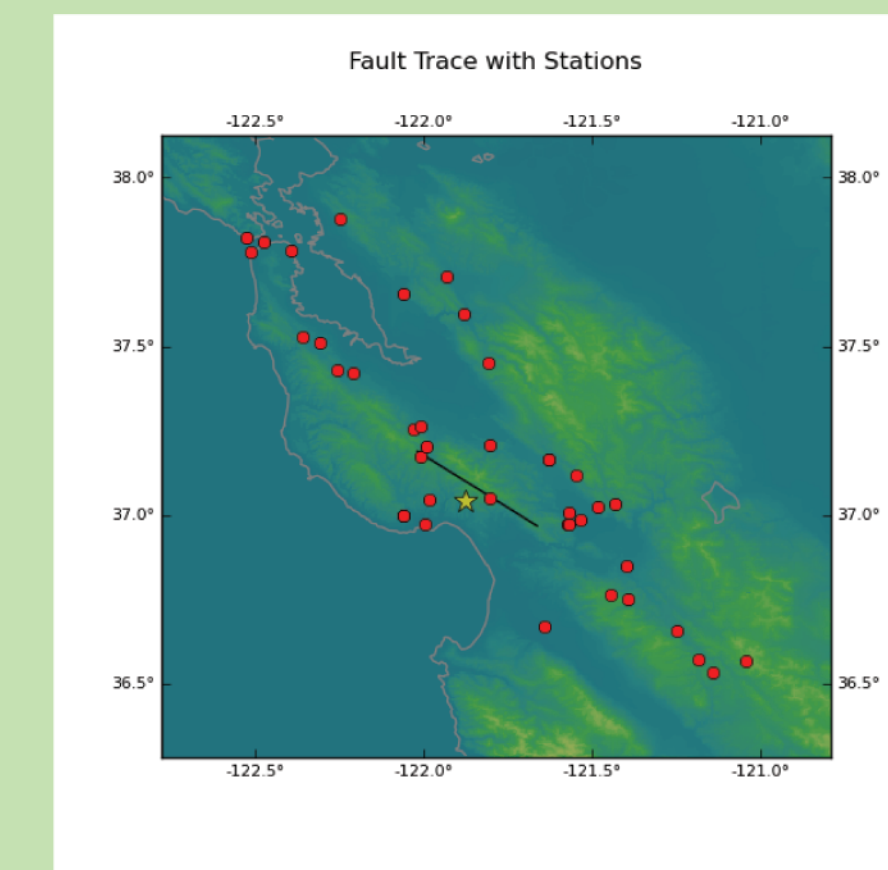


PGA Map Using Simulated Data

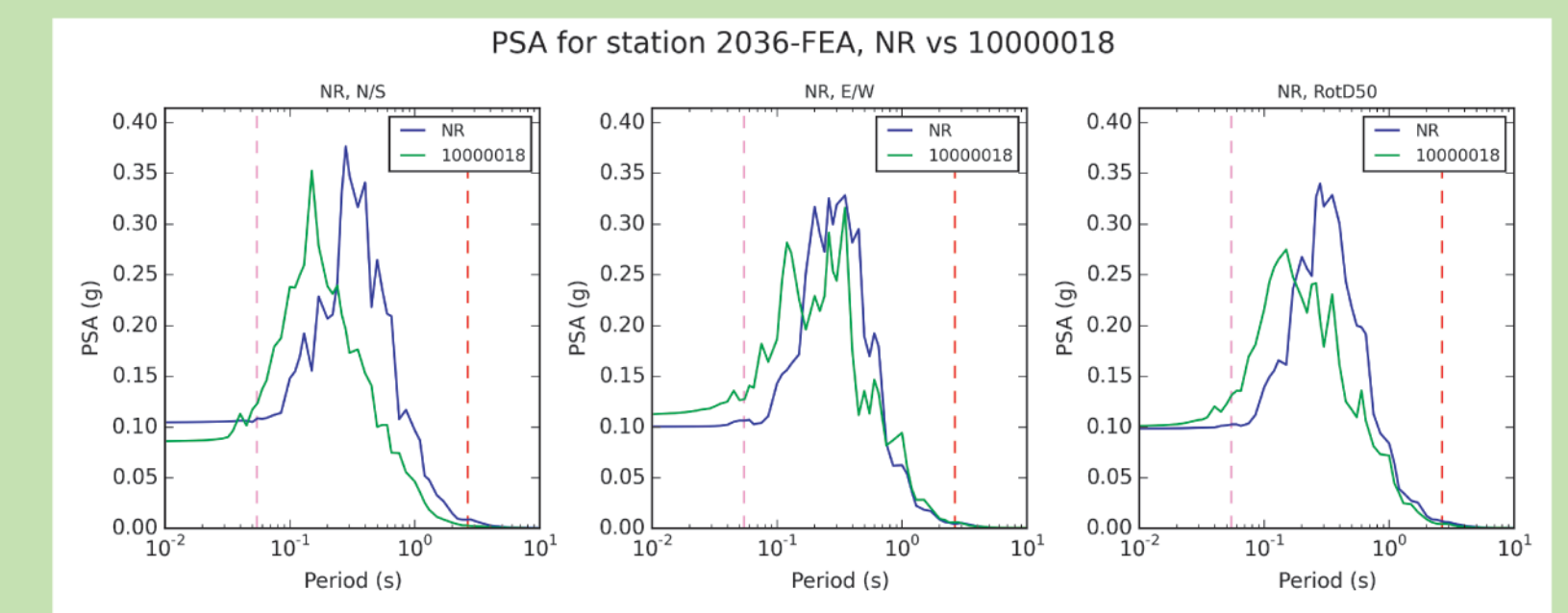
Broadband Validation Simulations

Simulation methods validated using the following events:

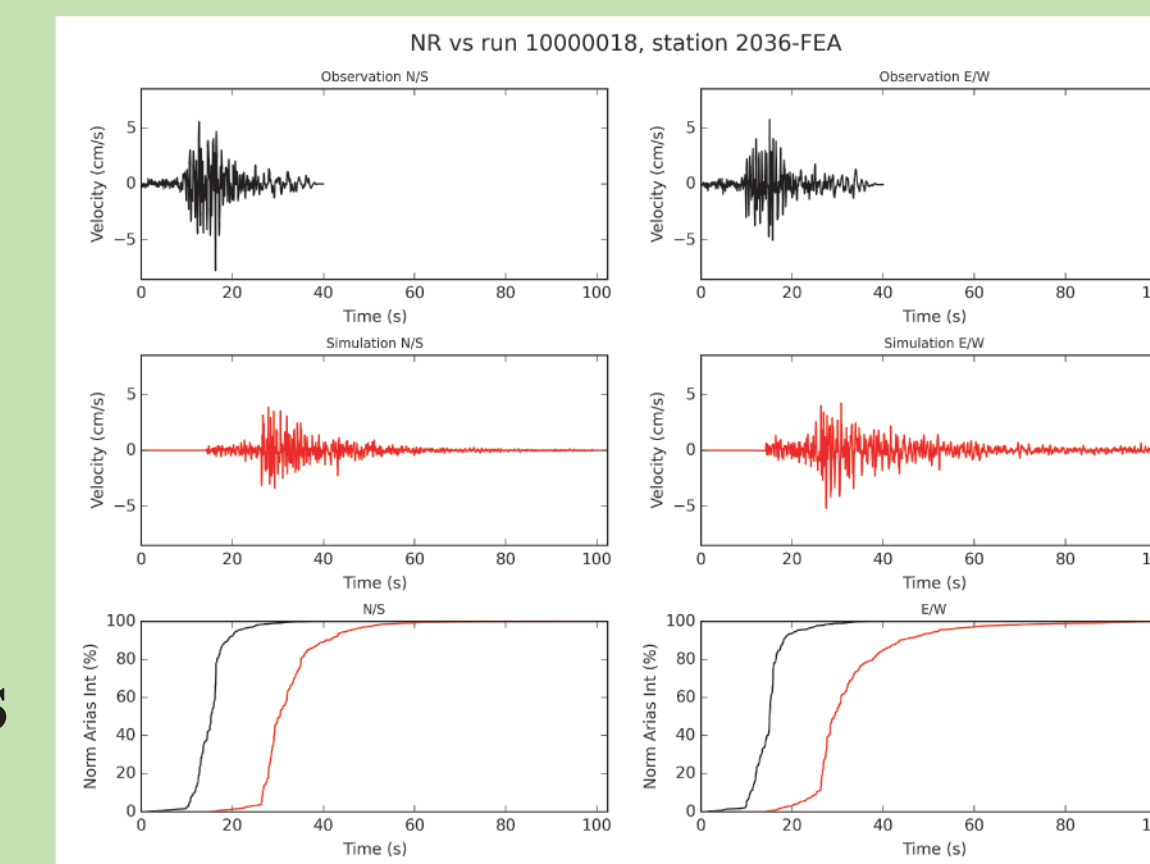
- Northridge
- Whittier Narrows
- Landers
- North Palm Springs
- Loma Prieta
- Chuetsu-Oki
- Ridgecrest A/B/C
- Mineral
- Saguenay
- Tottori
- Niigata
- Iwate
- L'Aquila
- La Habra
- Chino Hills
- Alum Rock
- Riviere du Loup
- Parkfield
- San Simeon
- Hector Mine



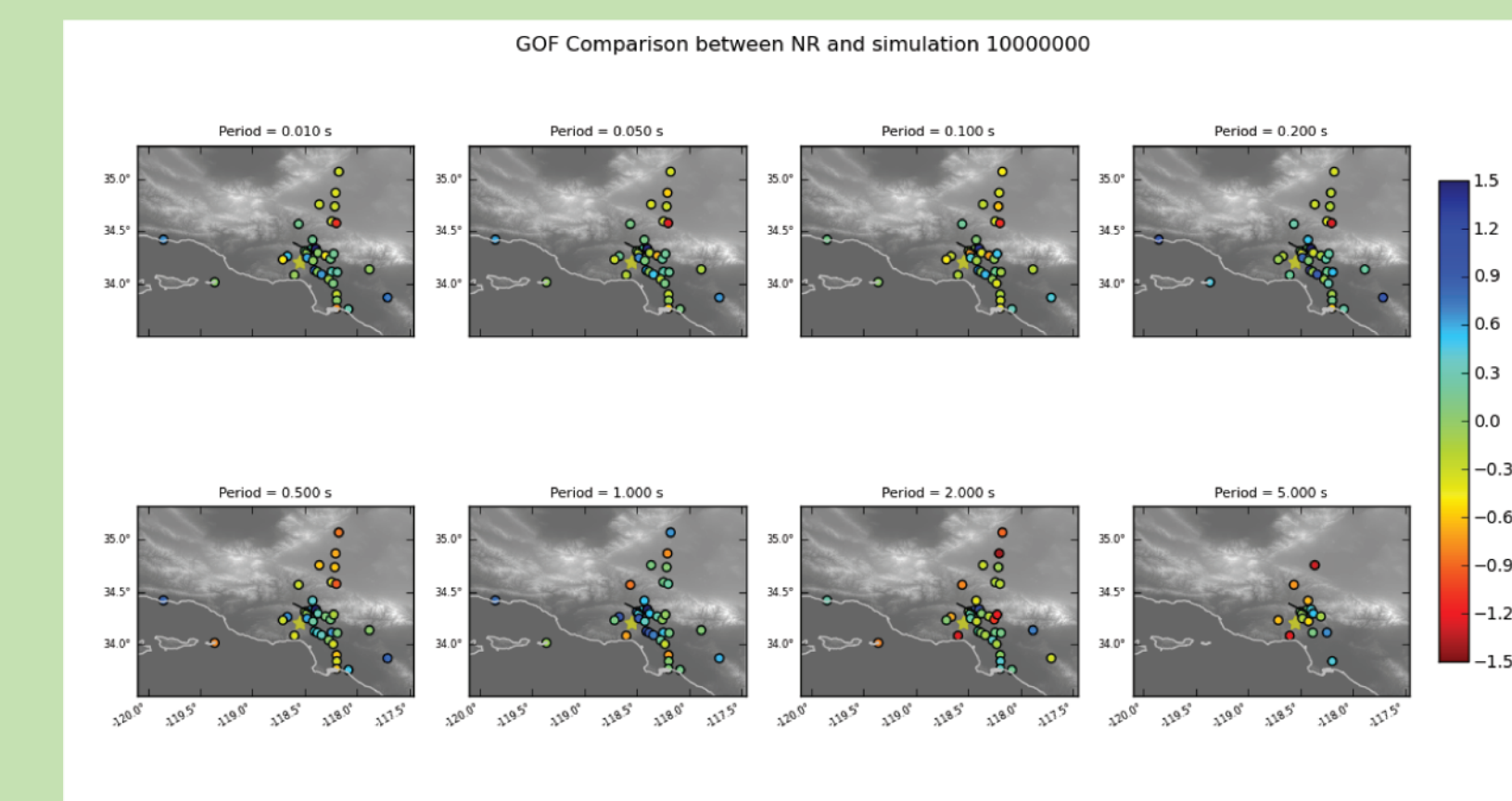
Loma Prieta EQ Map Showing Epicenter, Fault Trace and Stations



PSA Comparison for a Single Station



Comparison of Observed and Simulated Timeseries



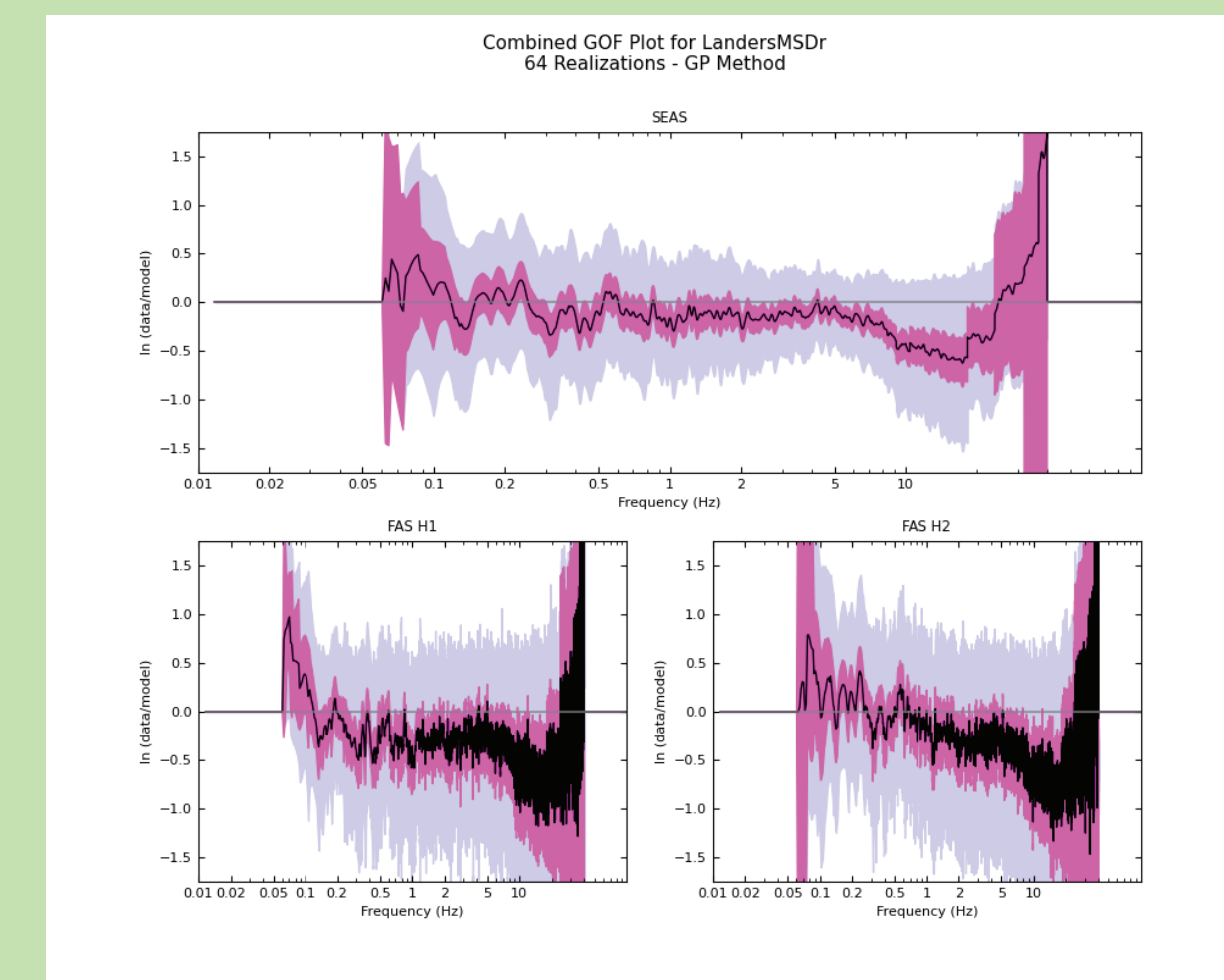
Northridge Earthquake Bias GoF Map Plot Showing 38 Stations

BBP Data products

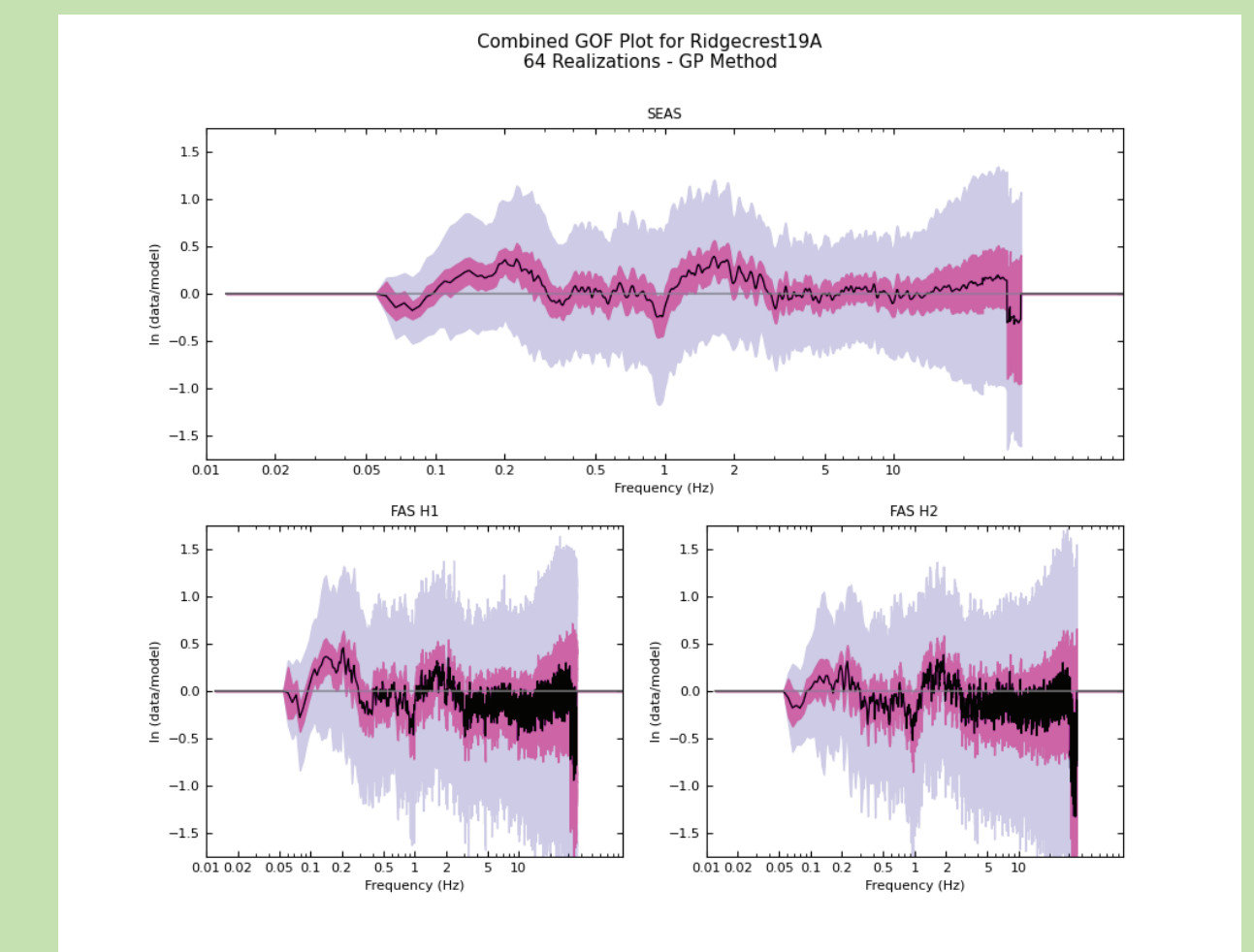
- Rupture slip time histories
- Station and fault trace plots
- Seismograms (velocity and acceleration)
- Comparison of recorded strong ground motions against calculated seismograms
 - Timeseries, PSA, and FAS
 - Arias Duration

Goodness-of-Fit measurements

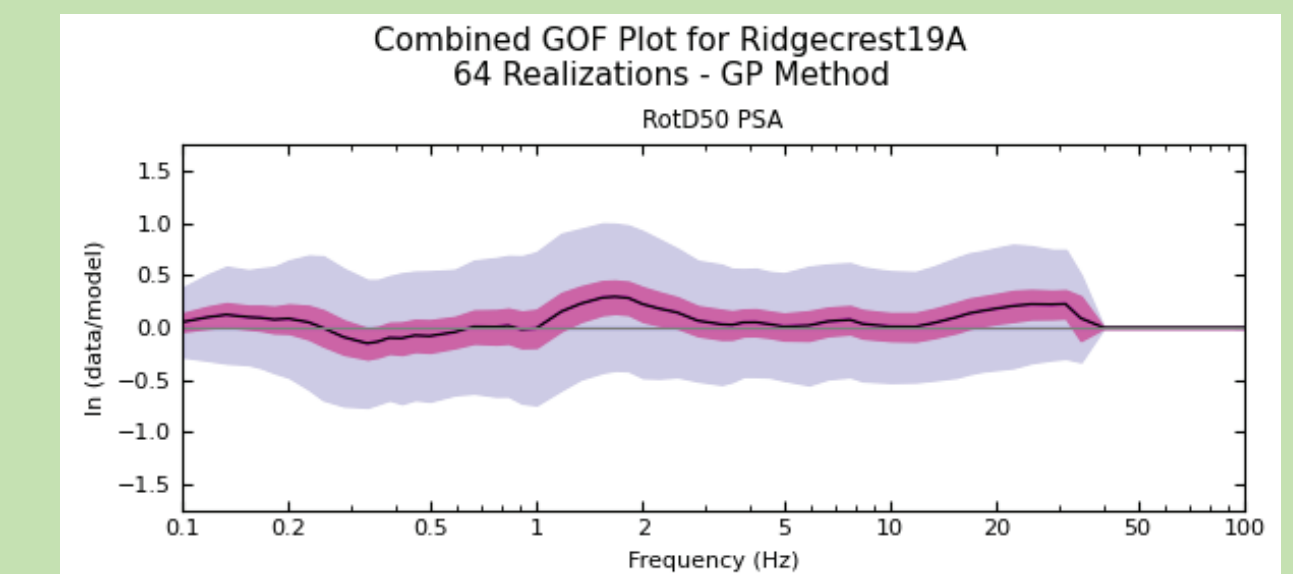
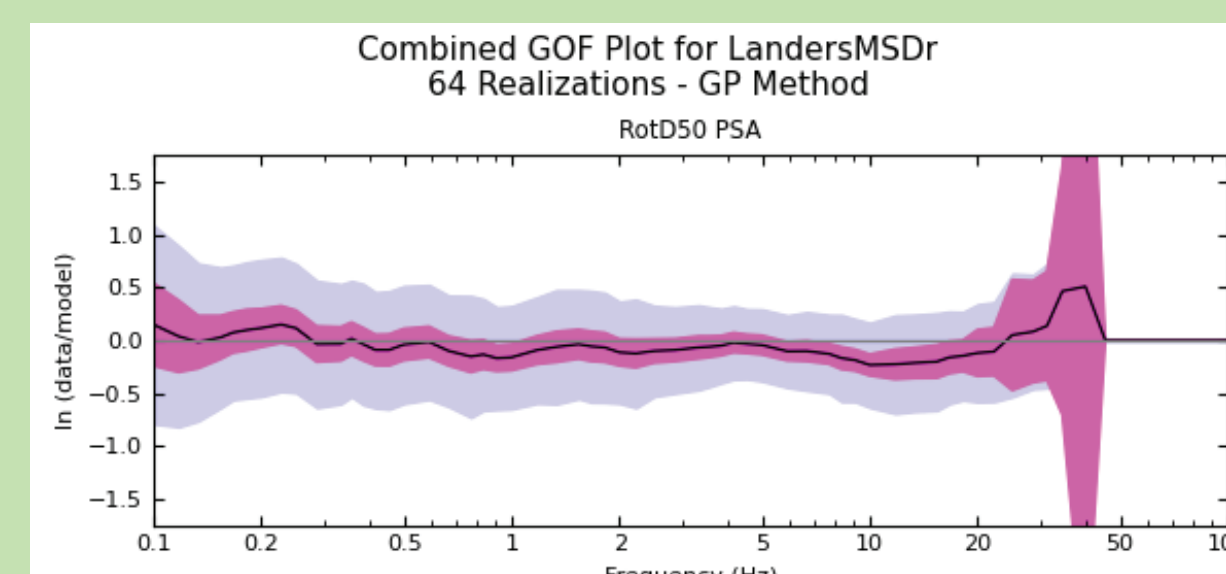
- PSA comparisons by period, distance, and location
- Anderson GoF (2004)
- Fourier Amplitude Spectra (FAS) module
 - Smoothed Effective Amplitude Spectrum (SEAS)
- FAS GoF comparison against data
- RZZ2015 parameters
- Comparison of simulations against GMPEs
 - NGA West 1 (AS08, BA08, CB08, CY08)
 - NGA West 2 (ASK14, BSSA14, CB14, CY14)
 - CENA Group 1 (PZT11, A0811E, S03SCVS)
- Combine data from multiple realizations
 - PSA GoF plots (period, distance, location, Vs30)
 - FAS GoF plots (frequency)
 - Ranking of PSA/FAS GoFs for all realizations
- Mayhew-Olsen GoF calculates up to 12 GoF metrics



FAS (above) and PSA (below) Validation Comparison 1992 M7.2 Landers Earthquake



FAS (above) and PSA (below) Validation Comparison 2019 M6.47 Ridgecrest A Earthquake



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BBP 22.4 available for download at
<https://github.com/SCECcode/bbp>

