Flagship Project 1: Ground motion simulation & validation



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QuakeCoRE Flagship Projects



Key Atributes of Flagship Projects

- 1. Research excellence
- 2. High-impact (high relevance/need) research
- 3. Leveraged funding (proven high quality research; co-funded by Marsden, EQC, MBIE, NHRP etc, or international sources)
- 4. International collaborations, regulatory engagement and substantial links to industry and stakeholders
- 5. Large transformational projects that involve multidisciplinary and multi-institutional collaborations

Spectrum of research



Thrust Areas (with strategic impacts)

- Simulation methods: Development/refinement of ground motion simulation methods that enable the generation of acceleration time series for the seismic response analysis of infrastructure (including kinematic 'rupture generators').
- 2. Velocity model development: Development of 'velocity models' of the earth's crust in new regions of NZ, or improve those in existing regions; such models should provide resolution at the length scales necessary for broadband ground motion simulations
- **3. Nonlinear site and topographic response:** Develop, validate, and apply models for nonlinear near-surface site and topographic response for use in conjunction with GM simulation methods.
- 4. Application for major NZ EQ scenarios: Utilize ground motion simulations to forecast the severity of ground shaking over spatially-distributed regions in future major NZ earthquakes.
- **5. Uncertainties and PSHA:** Examination of modelling uncertainties in ground motion simulation methods and utilization for probabilistic seismic hazard analysis
- 6. Use of simulations in earthquake engineering analyses: Explore the role of simulated ground motions for use in seismic response analysis of engineering infrastructure, including comparisons with as-recorded ground motions and development of procedures for simulated ground motions in infrastructure seismic design guidelines.