

# Update of the National Seismic hazard Model for New Zealand: *The old working on the new*



*Hundalee Fault section of the M7.8 2016 Kaikoura earthquake rupture, NZ*

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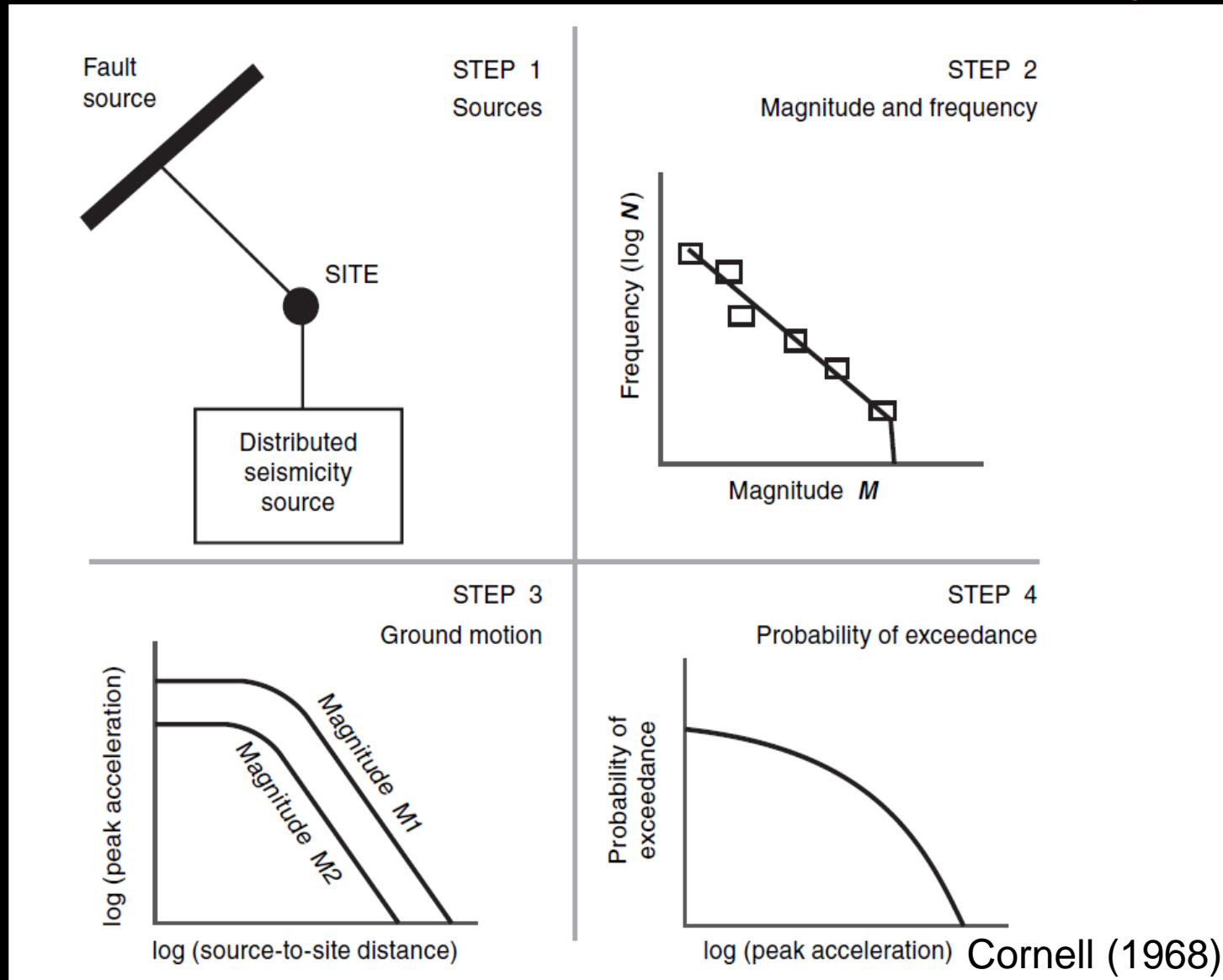
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# Introduction

1. Probabilistic seismic hazard analysis (PSHA)
2. History of the national seismic hazard model (NSHM)
3. Present NSHM update

# Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis



*A solid & reliable framework for seismic hazard analysis*

# Solid and reliable: My BMW R80



**23 May 1999**  
The day I purchased my BMW R80.  
Mileage 42,000 km

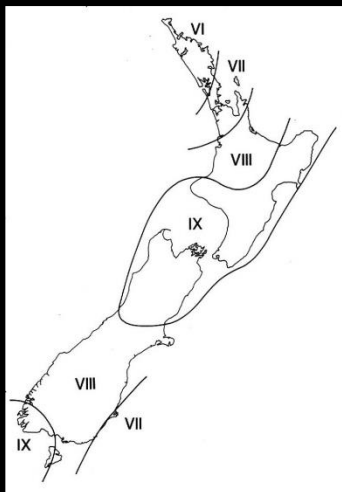


**23 May 2019**  
Still with the same bike 20 yrs later.  
Mileage 180,000 km

# New Zealand National Seismic Hazard Model (NSHM)

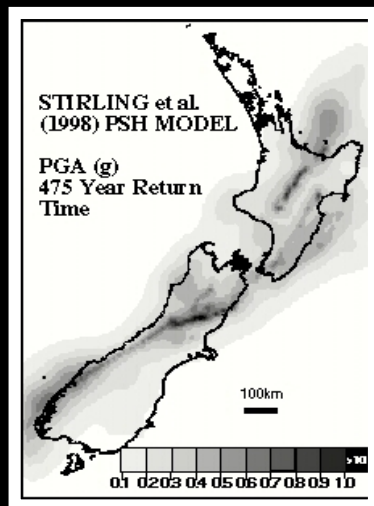
*Introduction of fault sources transformed New Zealand's seismic hazardscape*

1983



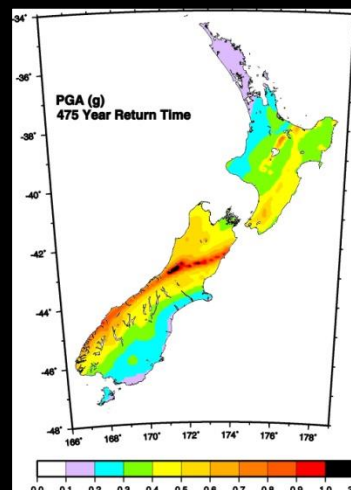
Smith & Berryman (1983)

1998



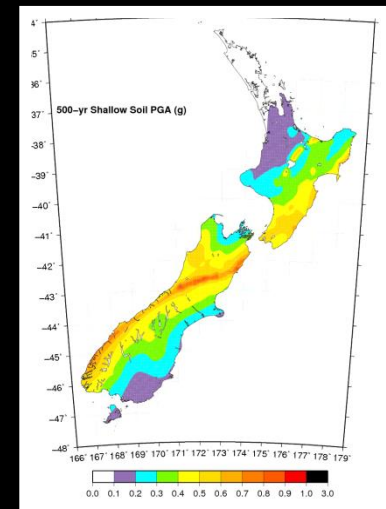
Stirling et al (1998)

2002



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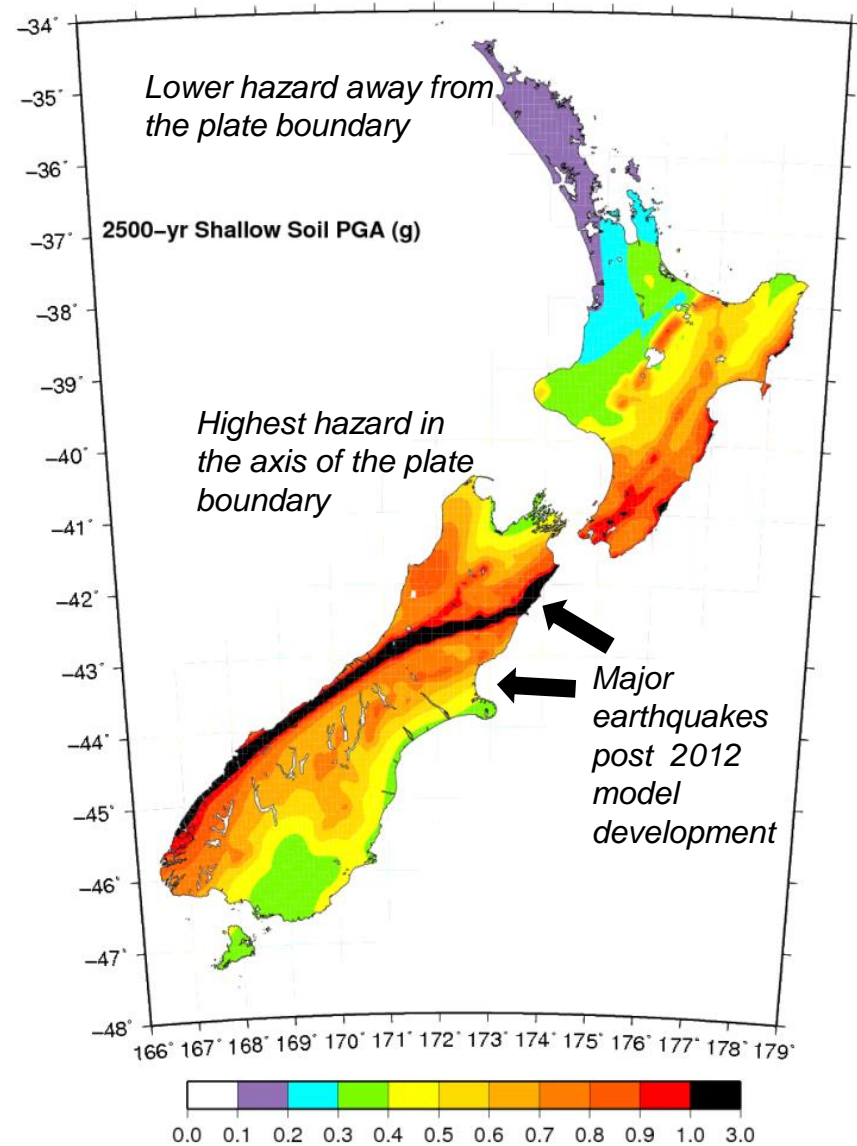
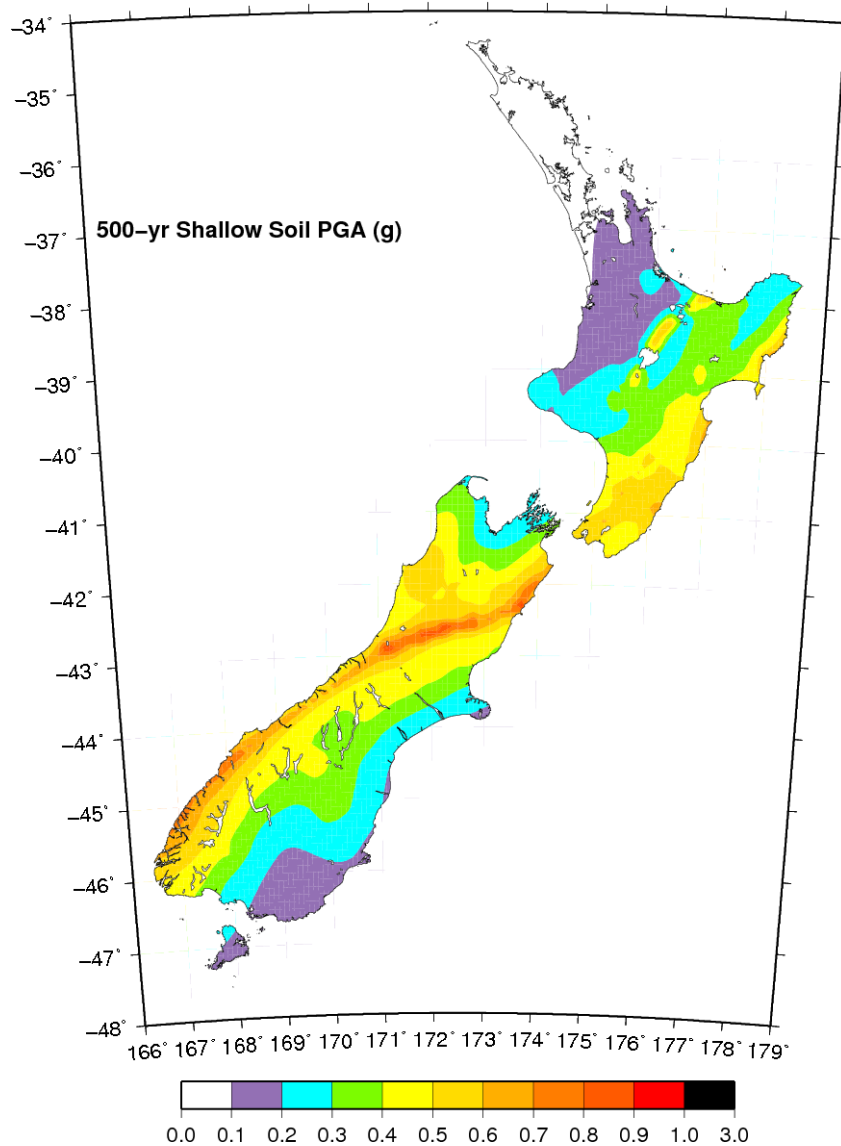
2012



Stirling et al (2012)

*All maps show PGA for a 500 yr return period on soft rock/hard soil*

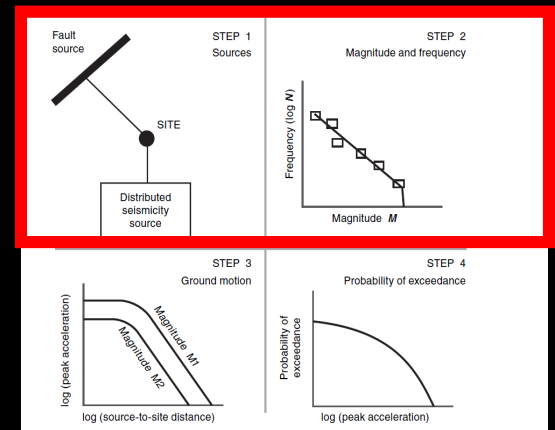
# Examples of Hazard Maps



Stirling et al. (2012)

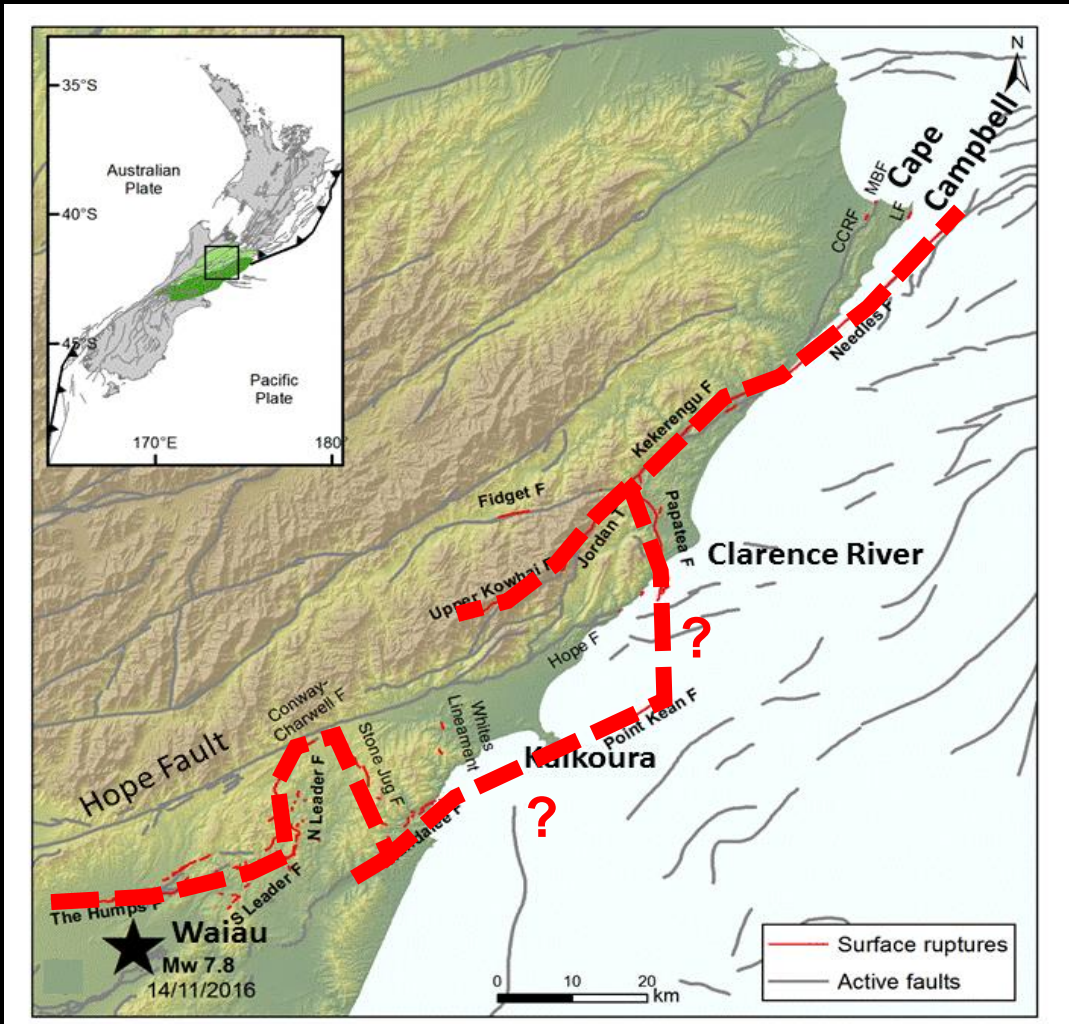
# NSHM update

## Source



- *Fault source modelling:* rupture complexity (geometry and recurrence), recurrence, earthquake scaling, fault source completeness, geodetic data inclusion, and major subduction zone focus
- *Seismicity modelling:* Catalogue homogenisation, geodetic data inclusion, and hybrid modelling of time-dependent earthquake probabilities
- Comprehensive treatment of epistemic uncertainty

# M7.8 2016 Kaikoura earthquake

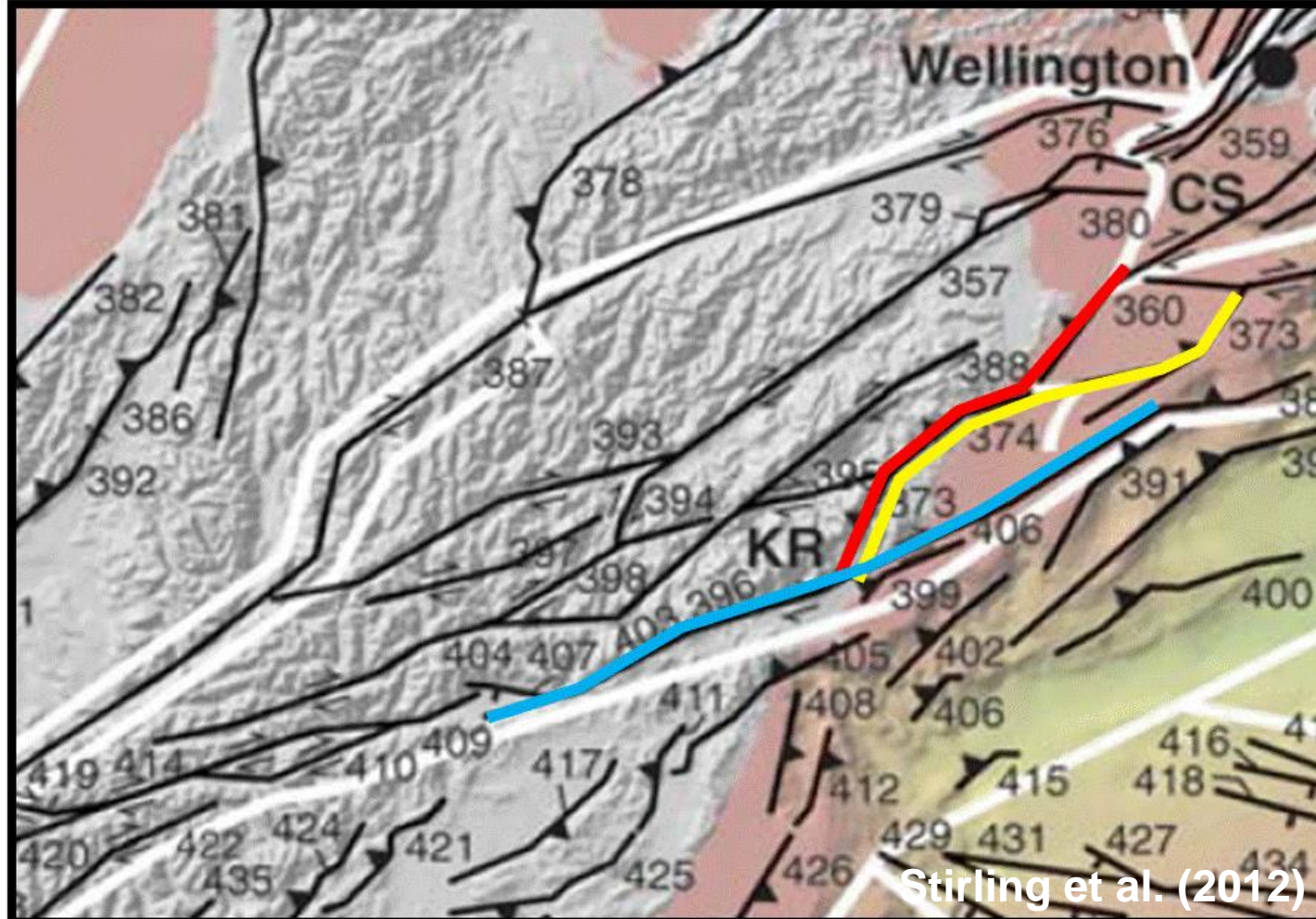


How repeatable is the complex Kaikoura event?

Complex rupture modelling, and examination of paleoearthquakes on the participating faults

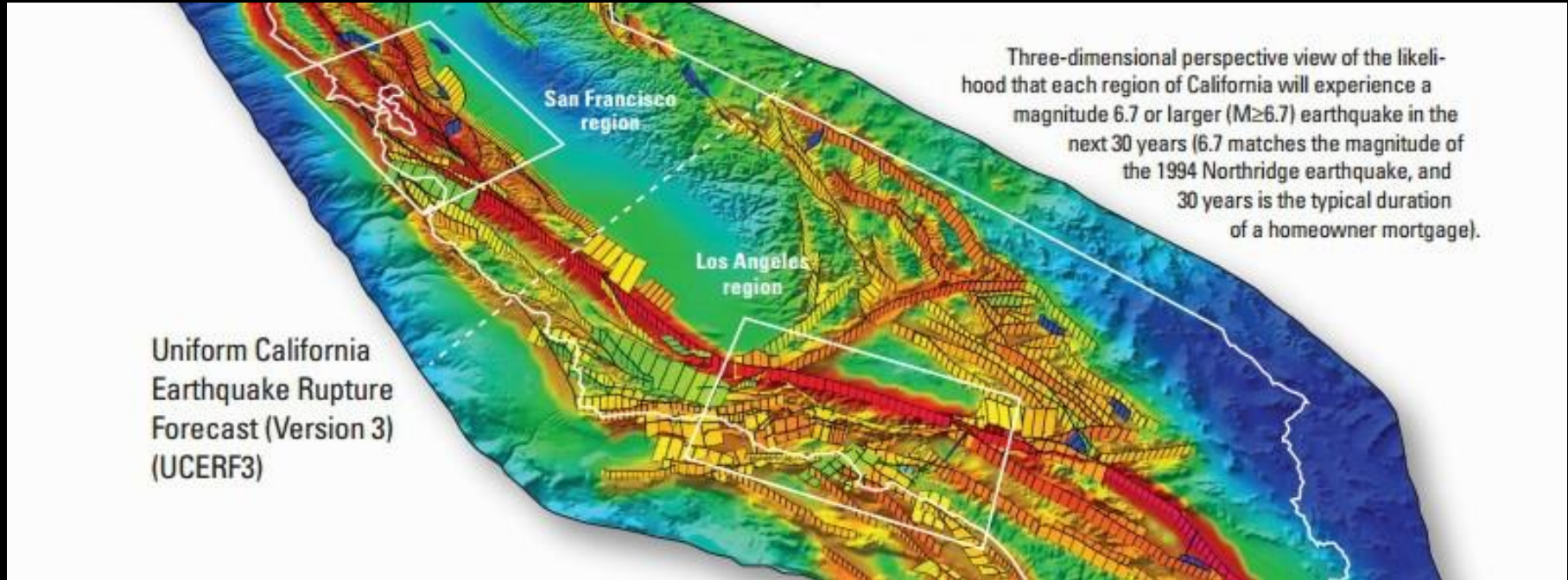


# 2012 NSHM multi-fault sources, NE Sth Island



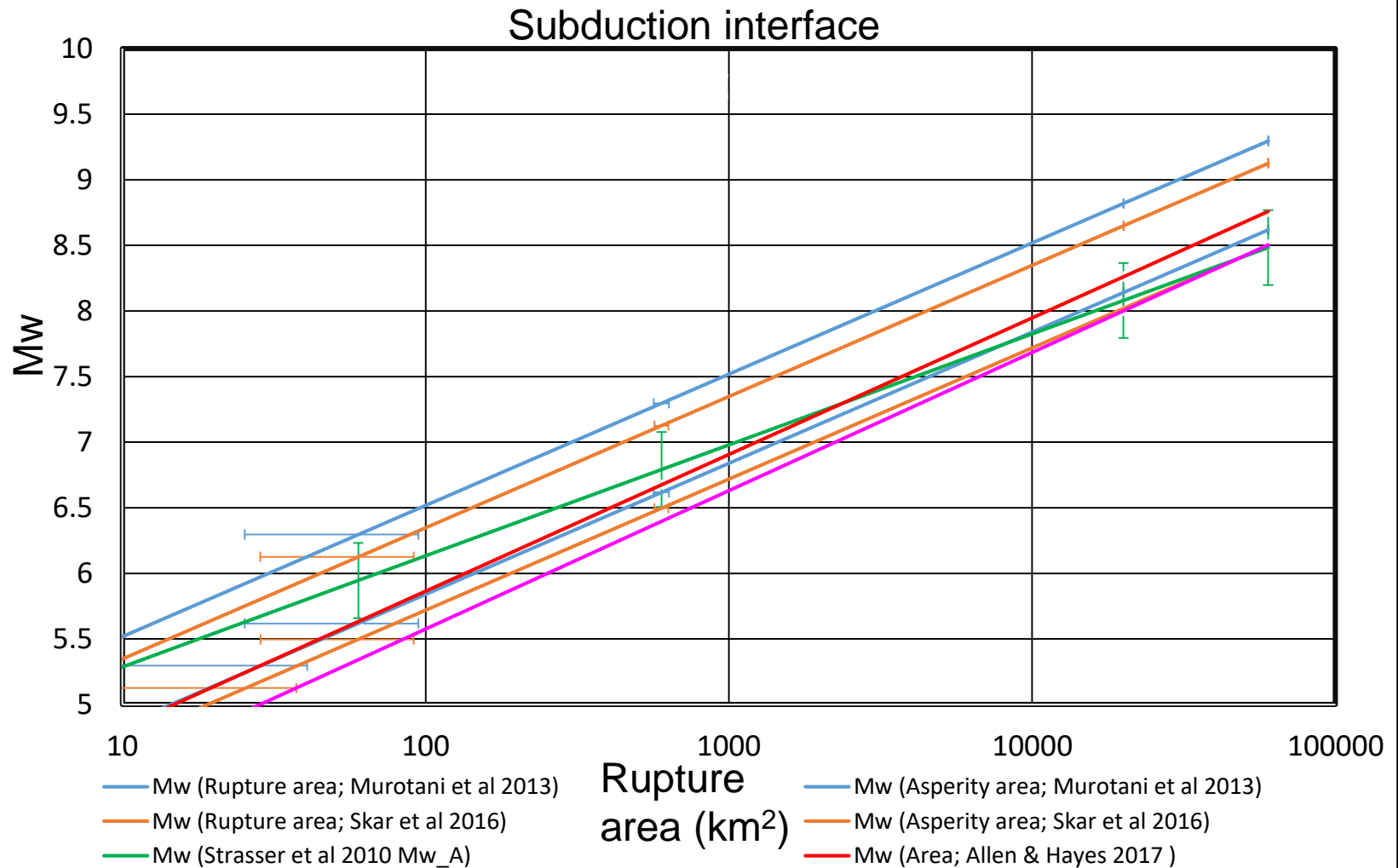
Acknowledged displacement-length ratios & continuity of plate motion rates, but not as complex as 2016 Kaikoura event

# UCERF3: complex fault source modelling



- Relaxation of fault rupture segmentation
- Plausibility filters to stop “runaway” ruptures
- Magnitude-frequency and earthquake scaling considerations
- Grand inversion: inverting rupture rates to solve for slip rate at a point

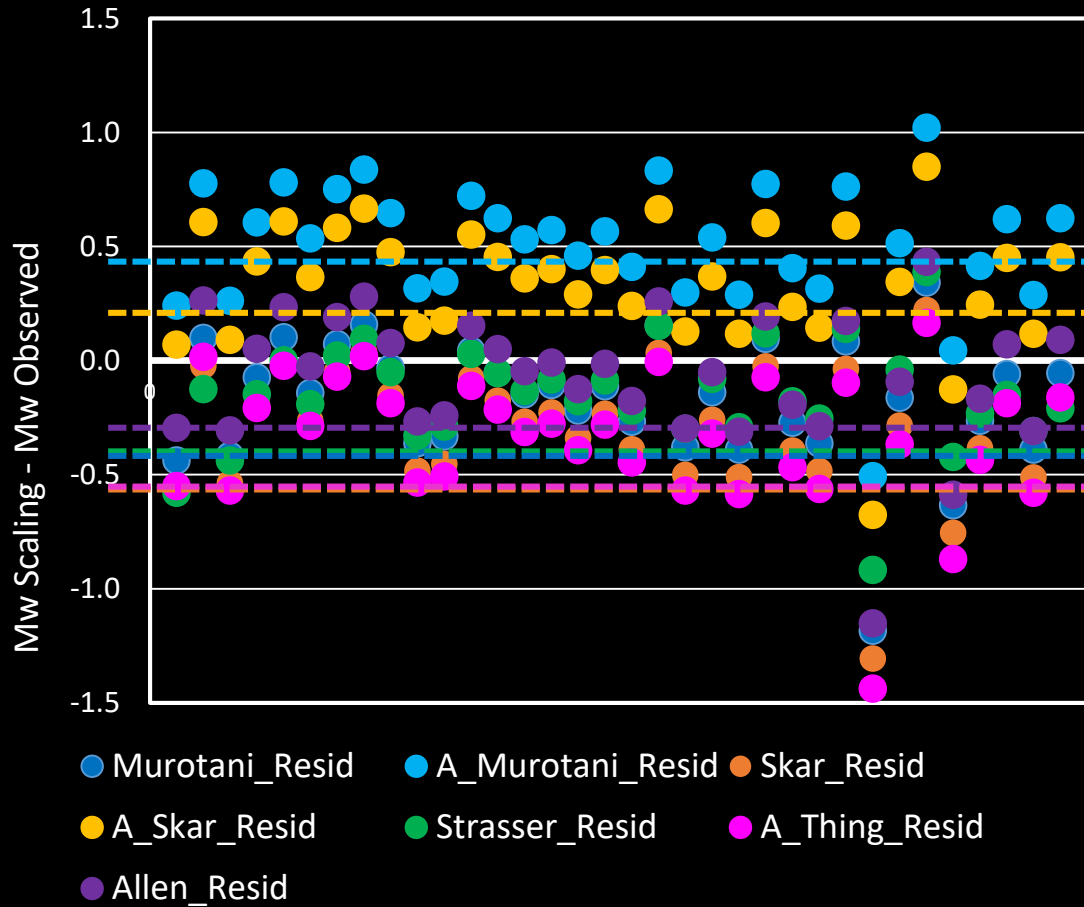
# Magnitude scaling relations



- Large range of regressions to choose from
- Selection based on tectonic environment, recency, data quality/quantity, and residual analysis

# Magnitude scaling relations

Mw Residuals, subduction interface scaling




# Magnitude scaling relations

Relation	Category	Sigma
Murotani et al. (2013)	0.6 Rupture area	0.1
	0.4 Asperity area	
Skarlatoudis et al. (2016)	0.5 Rupture area	0.3
	0.5 Asperity area	
Strasser et al. (2010)		0.25
Thingbaijam et al. (2017)		0.15
Allen & Hayes (2017)		0.2

## Weighting justifications

“Relation” and “Category” weights reflect performance in residual analysis



Sigma(logArea)

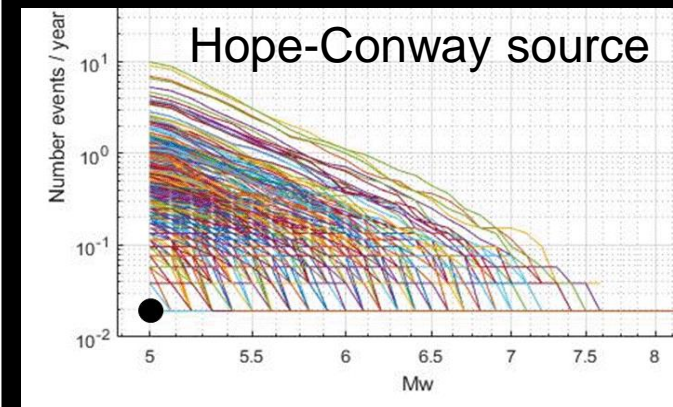
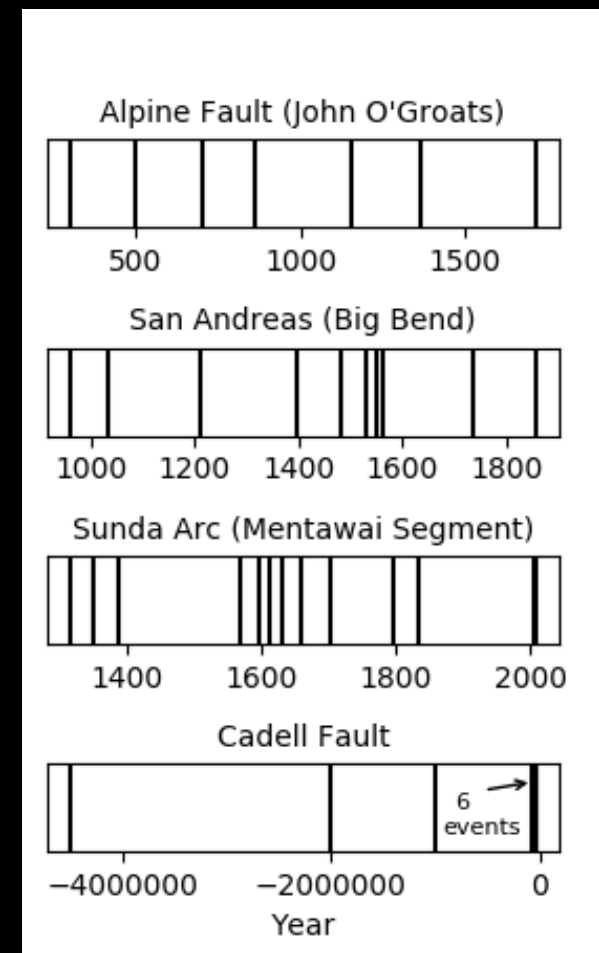
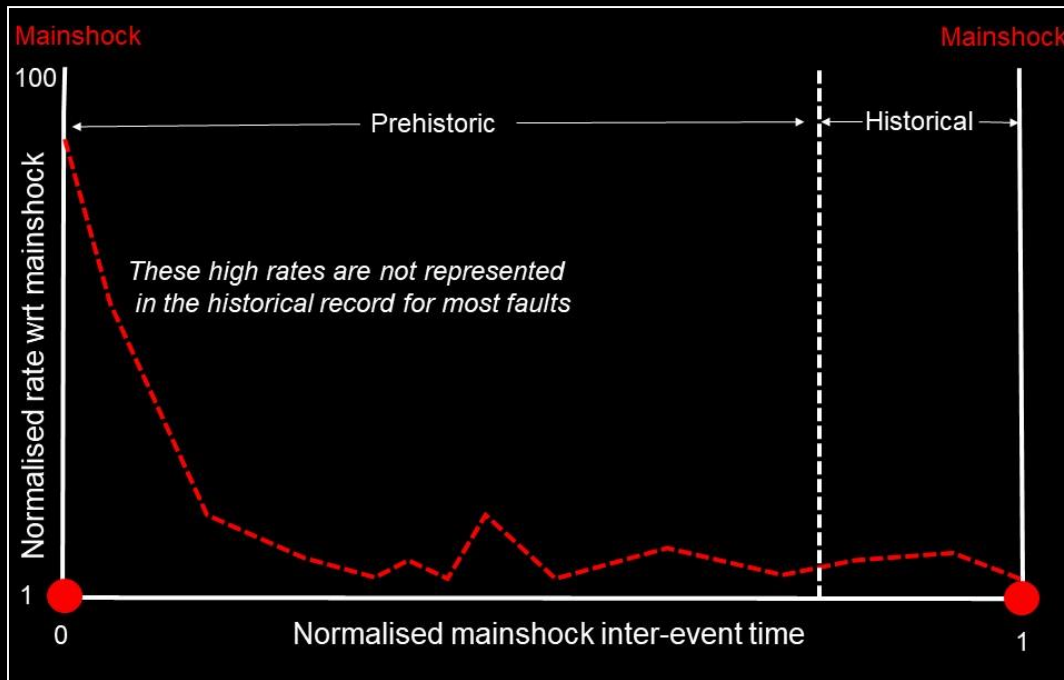
# Recurrence

- Earthquake recurrence aperiodicity

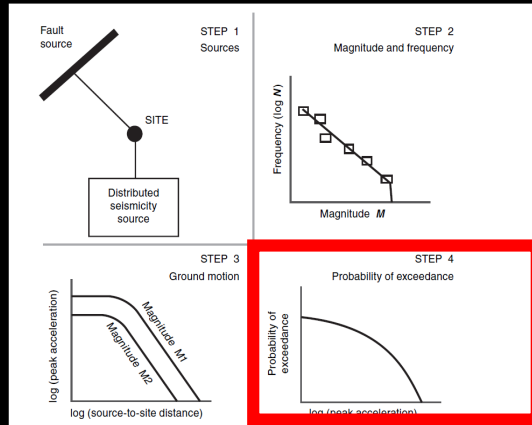
*Jonathan Griffin's PhD*

- Magnitude-frequency distributions

*Time-dependence*

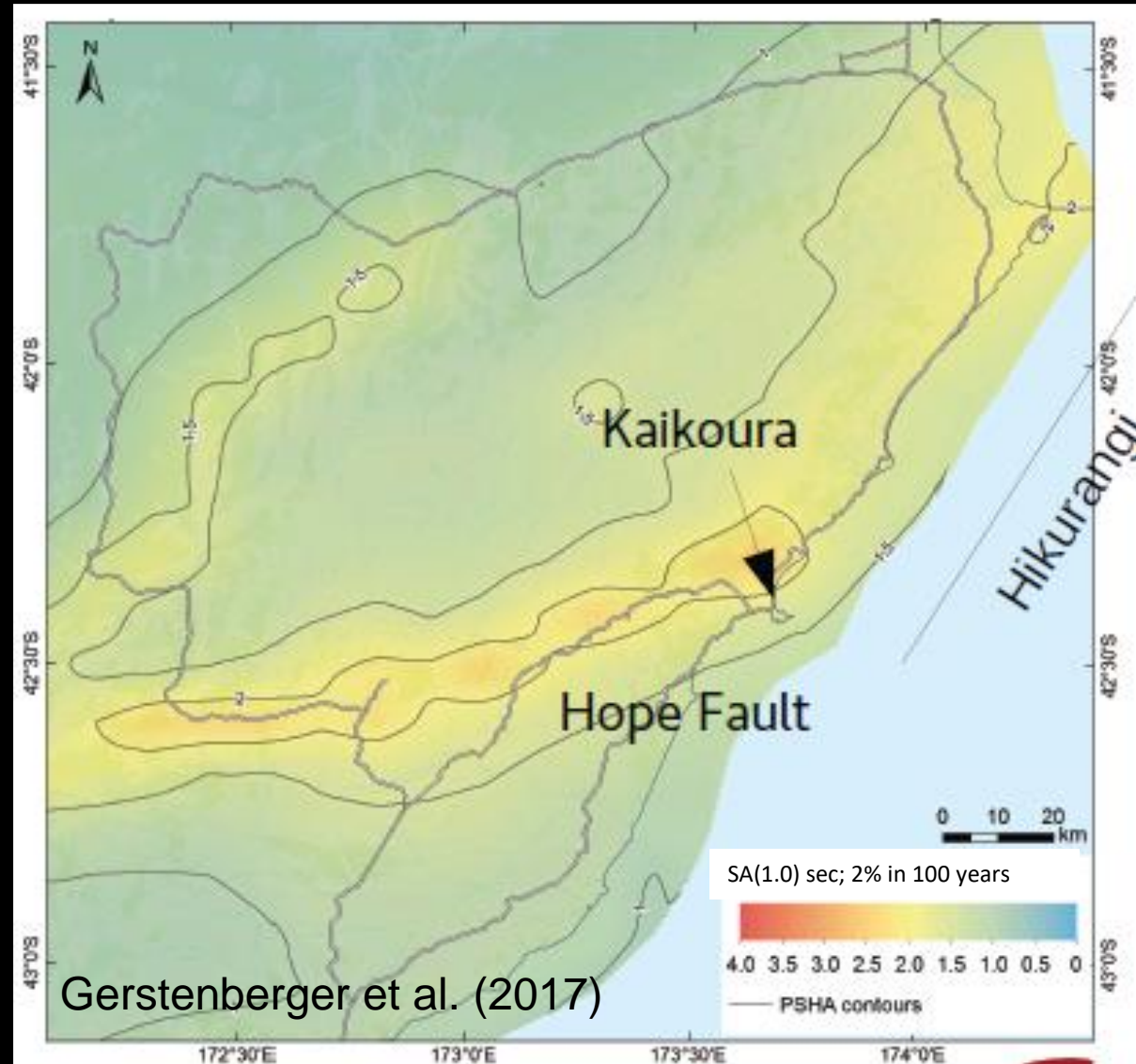


# NSHM Update



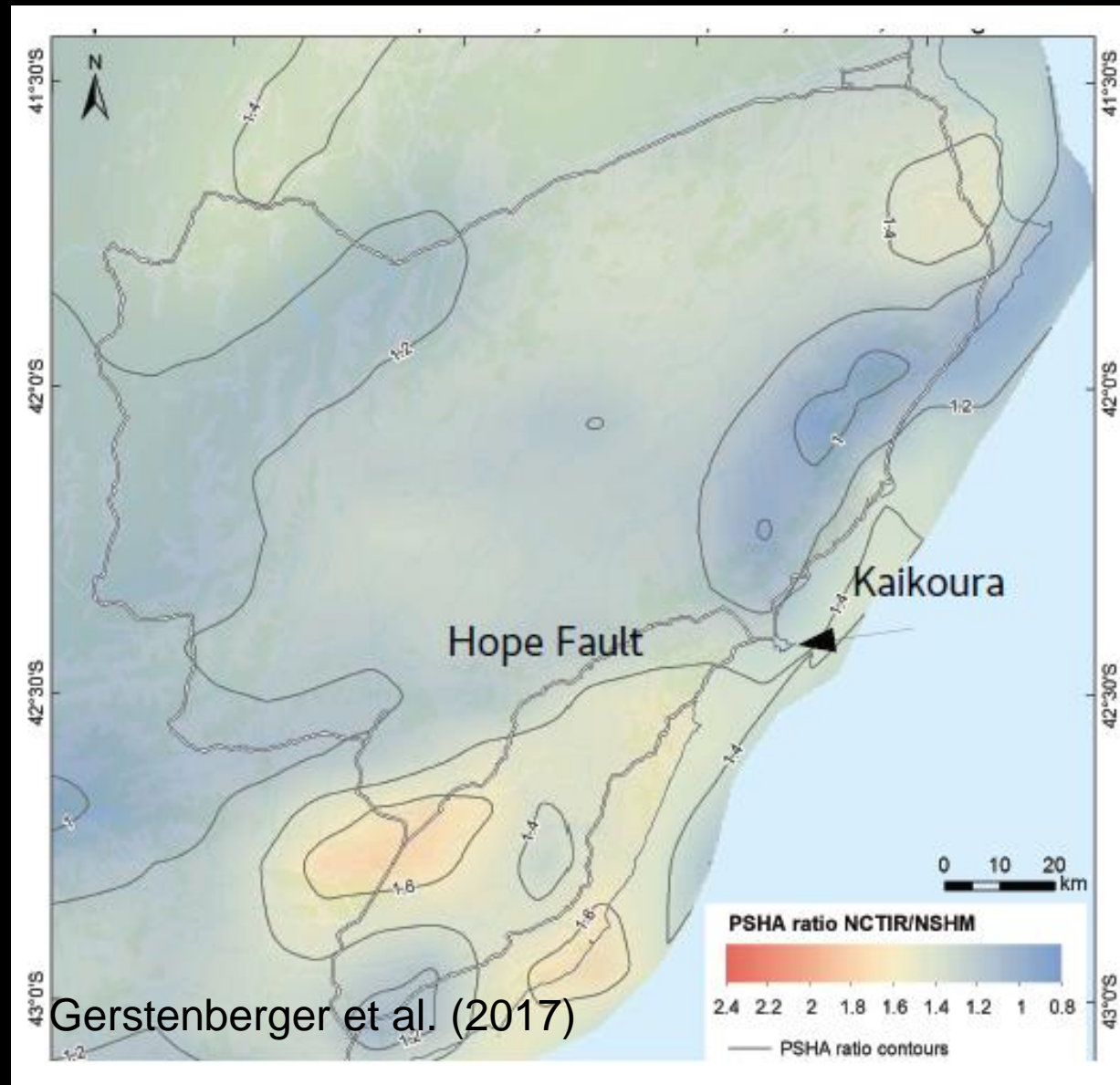
## *Incorporates*

- OpenQuake software
- Multi-fault ruptures
- Time-dependence of mainshocks and aftershocks
- Range of ground motion models



# Kaikoura PSH model

Ratio New/Old NSHM  
2% in 100 years



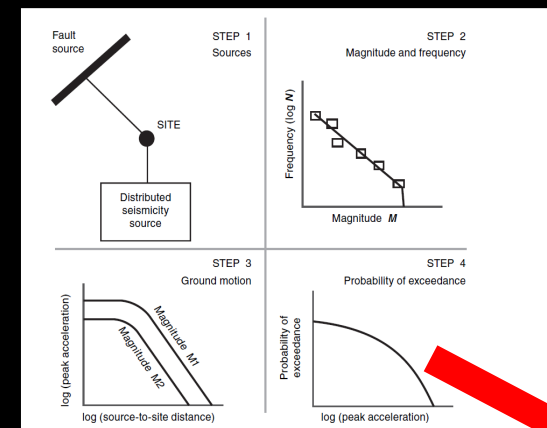
Some increases and decreases in hazard: influence of many factors, including time-dependence



# NSHM update

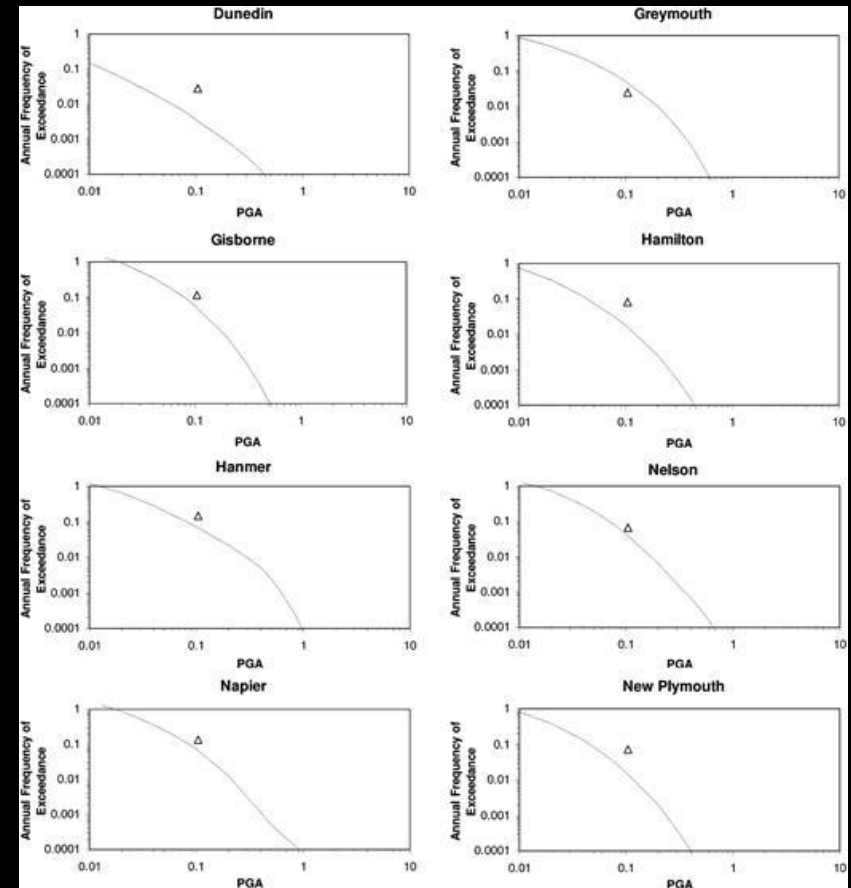
## *Testing and evaluation*

- Predicted vs observed ground motion exceedances across NZ from instrumental and felt-intensity data
- Ground motion non-exceedance from fragile geologic features



Testing and  
evaluation

# Accelerograph stations

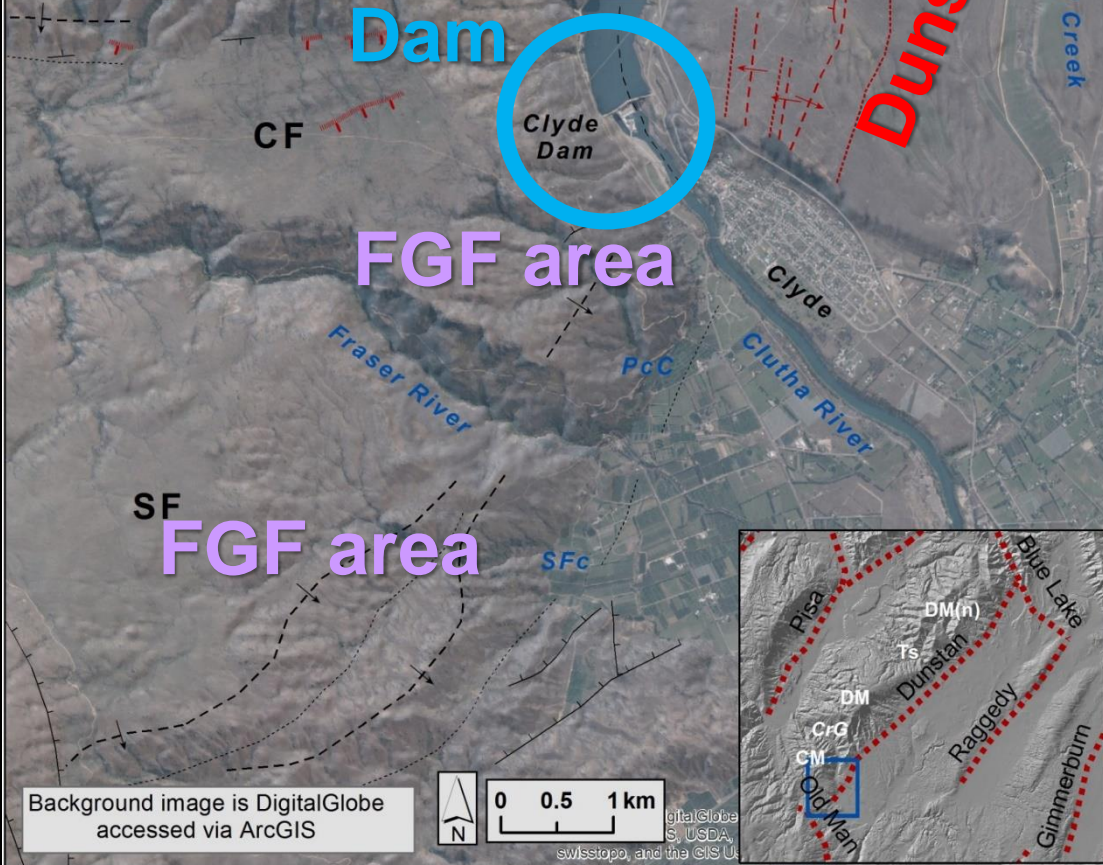


*Predicted vs observed exceedances of specific ground motion levels*

# Clyde Dam, Otago

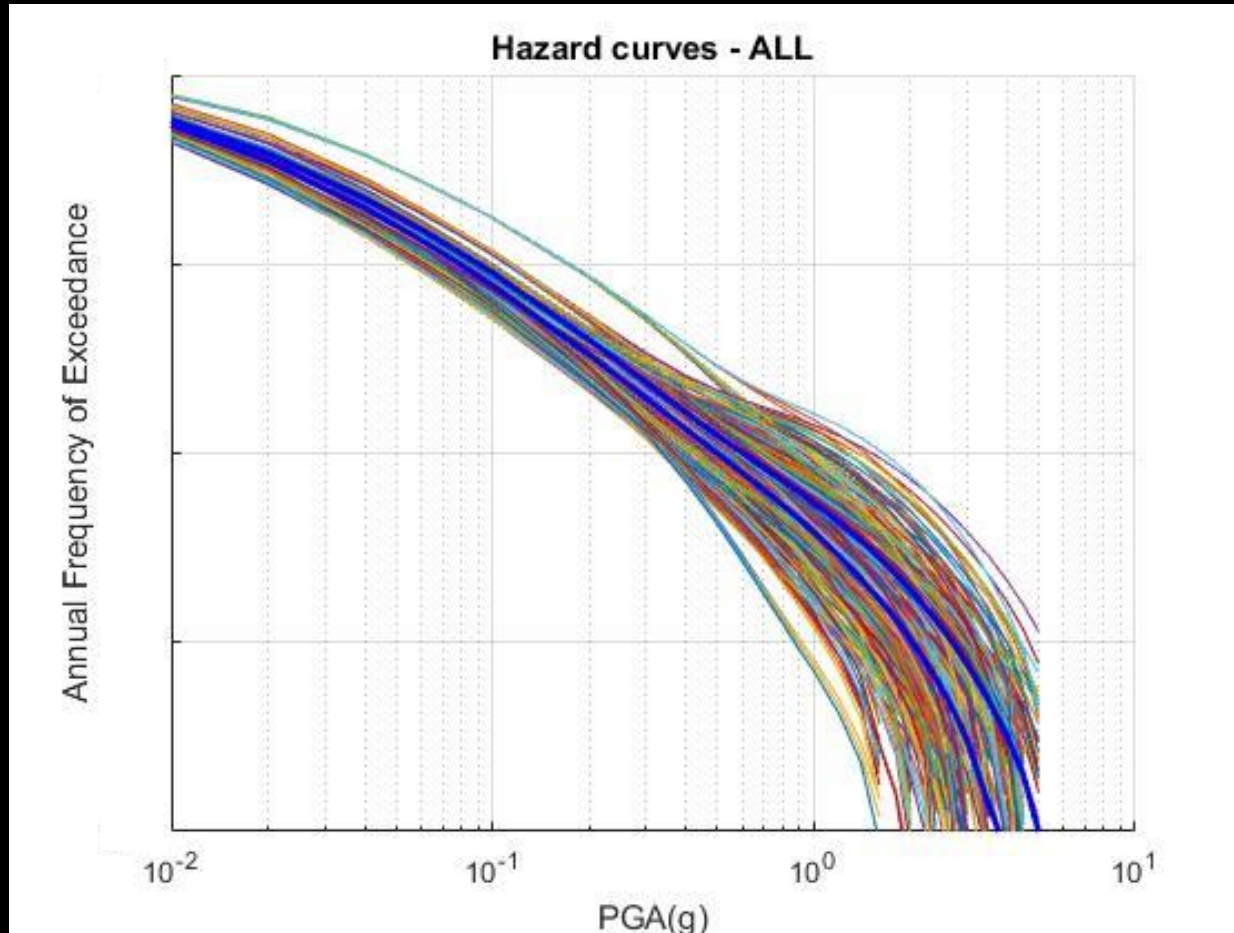
## Active faults and folds

- Known, west-dipping active fault
- Known, east-dipping active fault
- - Suspected active fault
- + Crest of known active monoclinial fold
- + Crest of suspected active monoclinial fold
- - - Base of known or suspected active monoclinial fold
- - - Known or suspected fault, activity unknown
- - - Known fault, concealed, activity unknown
- + - Crest of known/suspected monoclinial fold, activity uncertain
- - - - Base of known/suspected monoclinial fold, activity uncertain

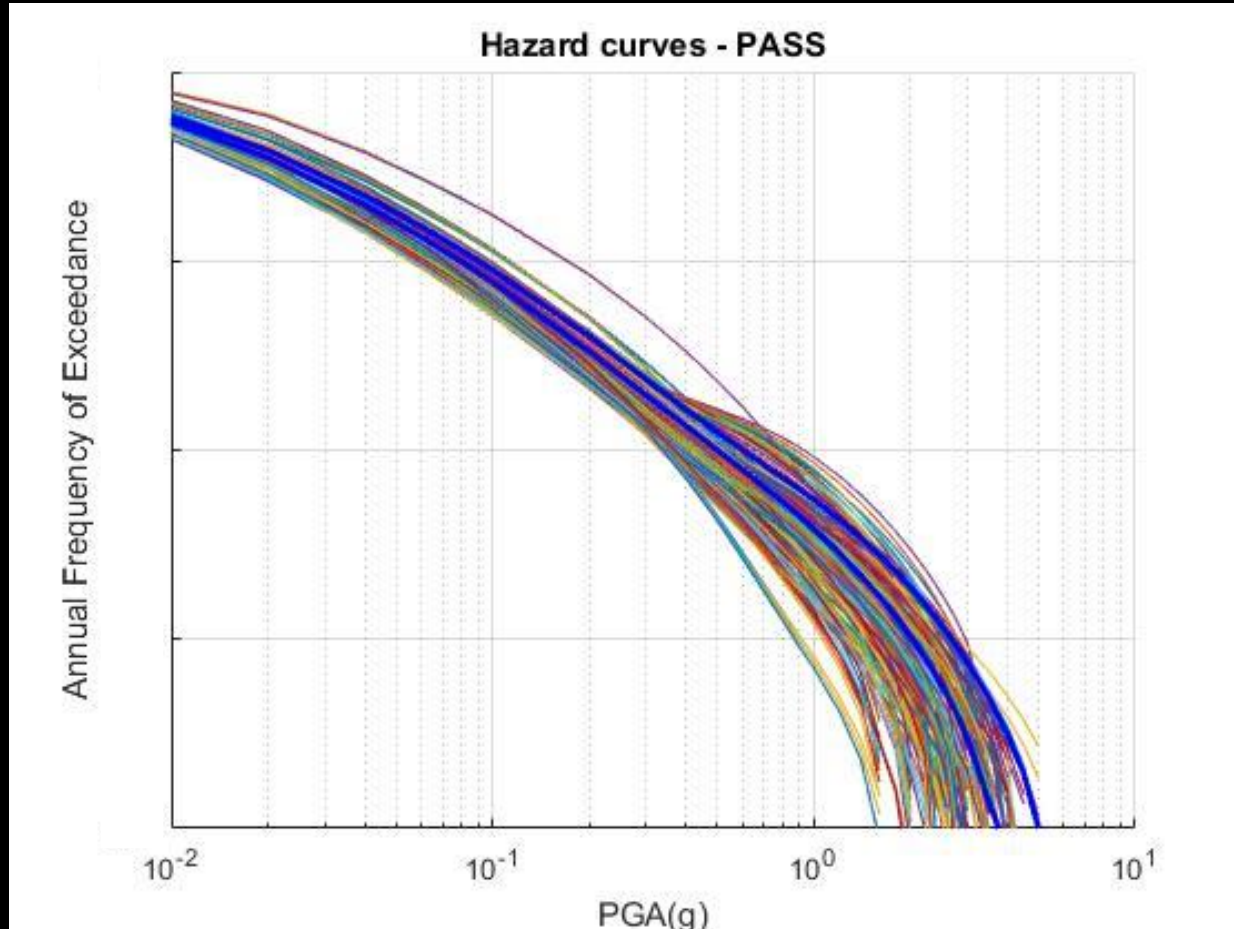


≥50 FGFs within c. 4km of the dam site

# All hazard curves



# Passed hazard curves



PASS = Hazard curves that allow a FGF survival probability of  $\geq 5\%$  in 24,000 years

# Conclusions

- Major update of the NSHM, incorporating a decade of R&D
- Increased awareness and support for NSHM work
- Update across the spectrum of source model, ground motion model, software, hazard outputs, and testing and evaluation
- Otago contributions at the Core NSHM group level, and within the source model and testing and evaluation workflows

# The End



Akaroa Harbour, NZ

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