

Thesis outline: Validation of ground motion simulations via response history analysis of complex seismic systems

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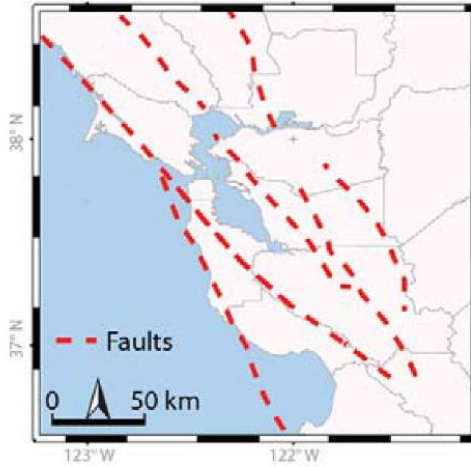
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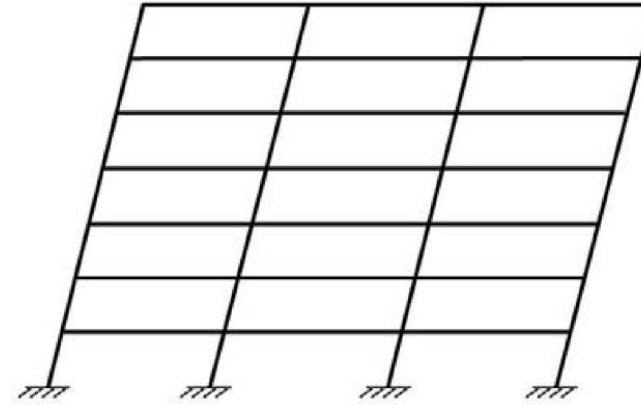
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Background: Applications Of Ground Motions

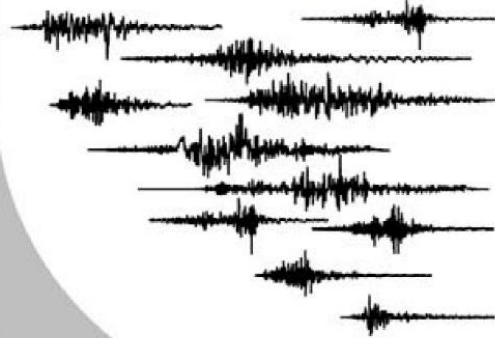
Seismic Sources



Structural Performance

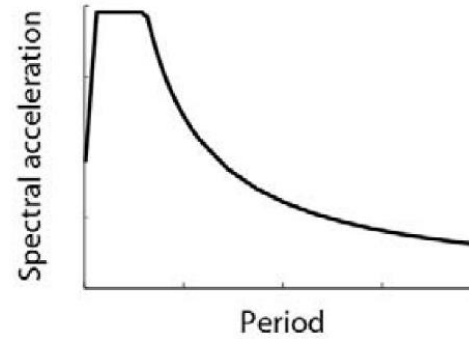


Ground Motions

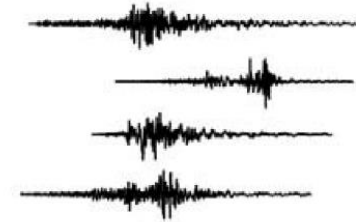


Hazard Analysis

Target Response Spectrum



Ground Motions

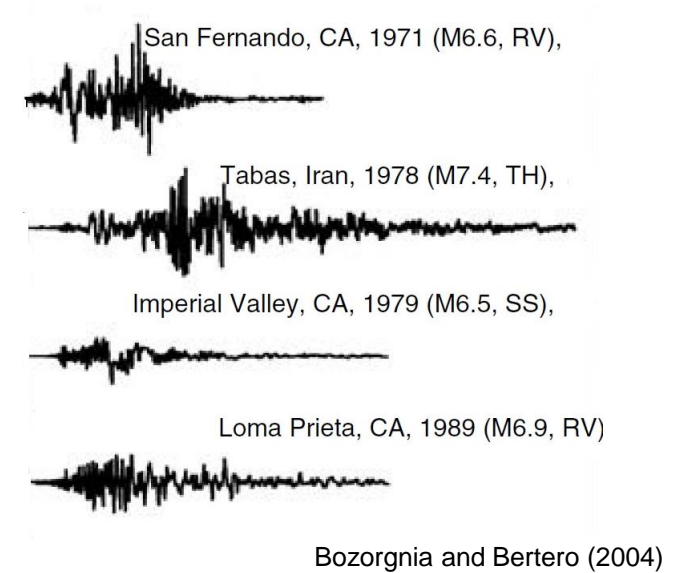


Response History Analysis

Ground Motions in Response History Analysis

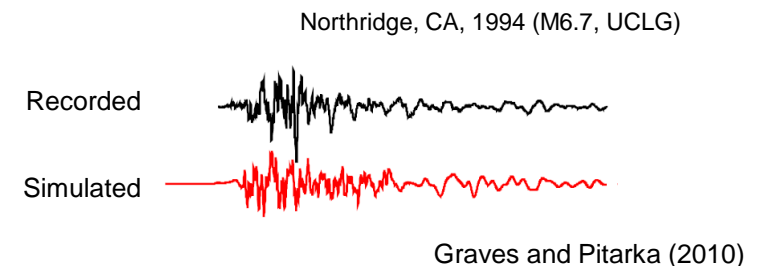
Challenges:

- ✓ Scarcity of ground motion representing the specific-site hazard
 - Using scaled historical ground motions?!
- ✓ Restrictions:
 - Incompatibility of selected ground motions
 - Large variability in selected ground motions from empirical databases

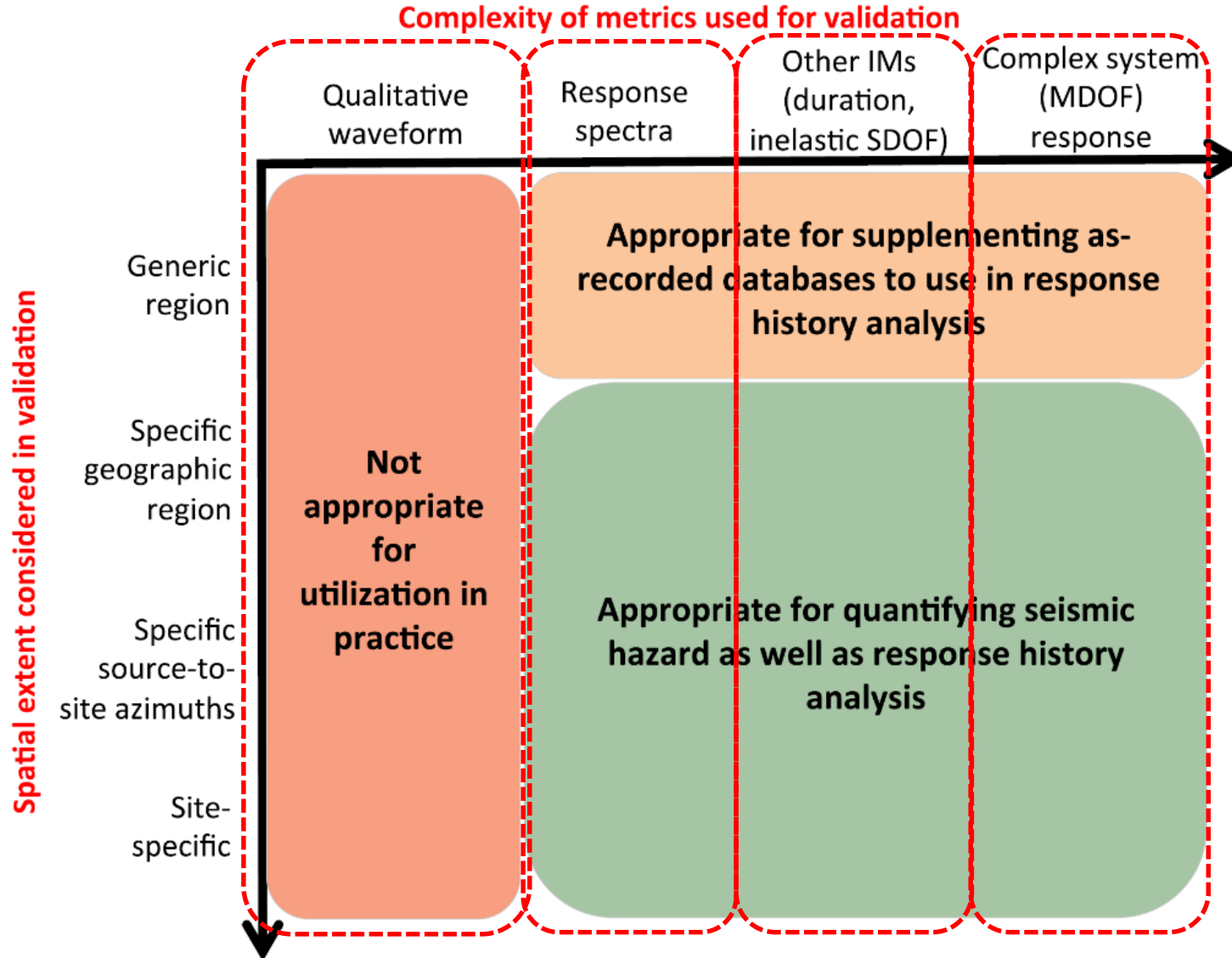


Utilizing simulated ground motions:

- Necessity of validation



Validation Matrix:



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- ✓ **Objective 1:** Code-based validation of ground motion simulation
- ✓ **Objective 2:** Validation of simulated GM by comprehensive analysis of archetypical buildings
- ✓ **Objective 3:** Develop “Automated” workflow for validation using MDoF systems
- ✓ **Objective 4:** Seismic performance assessment using simulated ground motions

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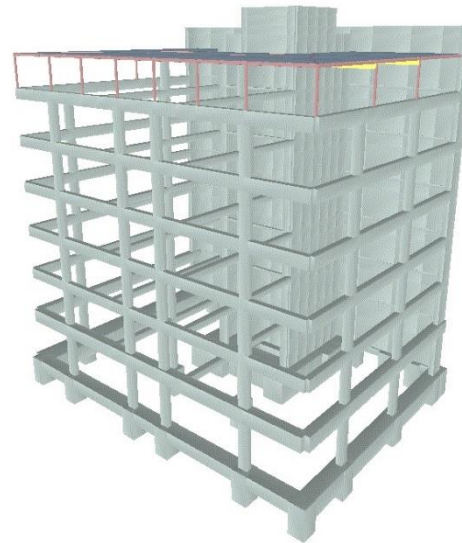
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- ✓ **Objective 1:** Code-based validation of ground motion simulation
 - Validation in the context of industry application
 - Similar procedures in analysis and design common in practice
 - NZ-1170.5 standard (structural design actions)
 - Finite elements models commonly used by engineers
 - Typical seismic responses by designers (e.g. Drift...)

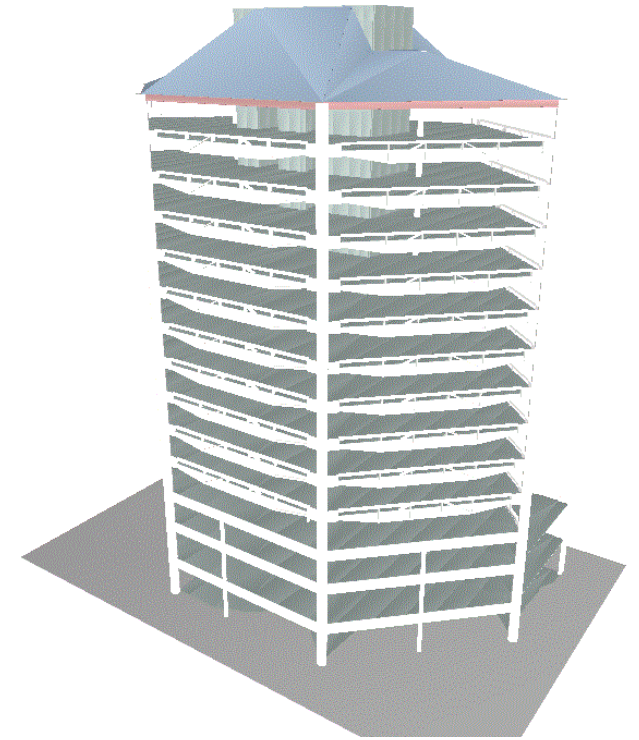
Progress on objective 1: Code-based validation of ground motion simulation

Case Study:

- Two real buildings
- Located in Christchurch
- Building A:
 - ✓ 7-story, $T_n = 0.5$ sec
 - ✓ RC Frame + Shear Wall
- Building B:
 - ✓ 13-story, $T_n = 2$ sec
 - ✓ Steel Frame + Shear Wall
- Responses:
 - ✓ Inter-story drift ratio (IDR)
 - ✓ Peak floor acceleration (PFA)



Building A



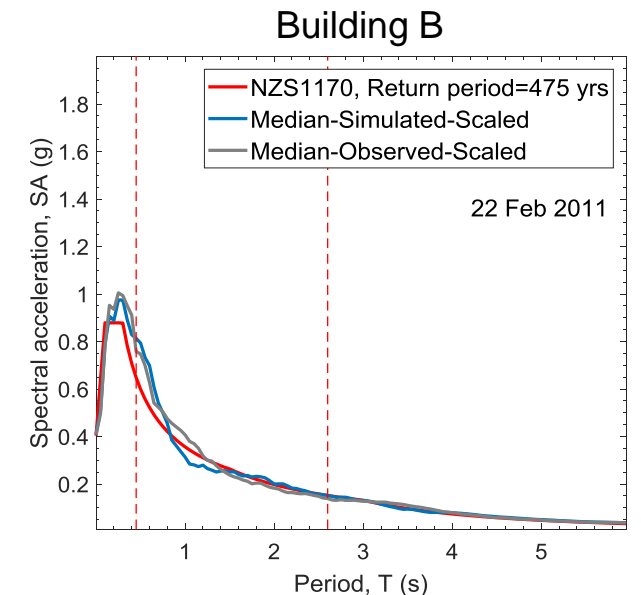
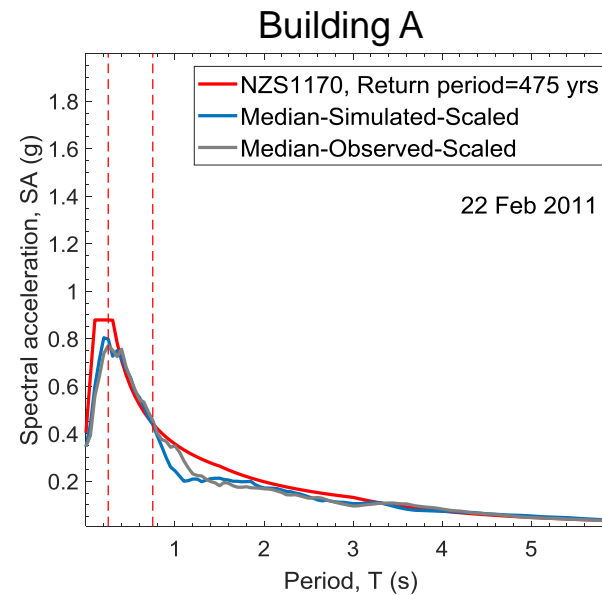
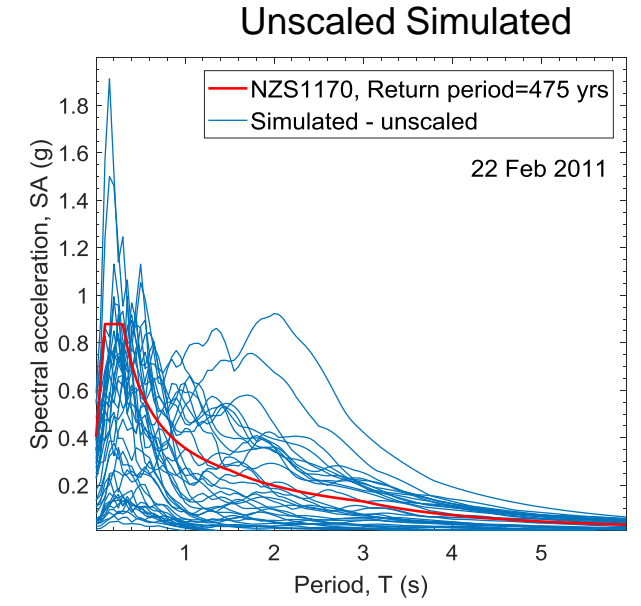
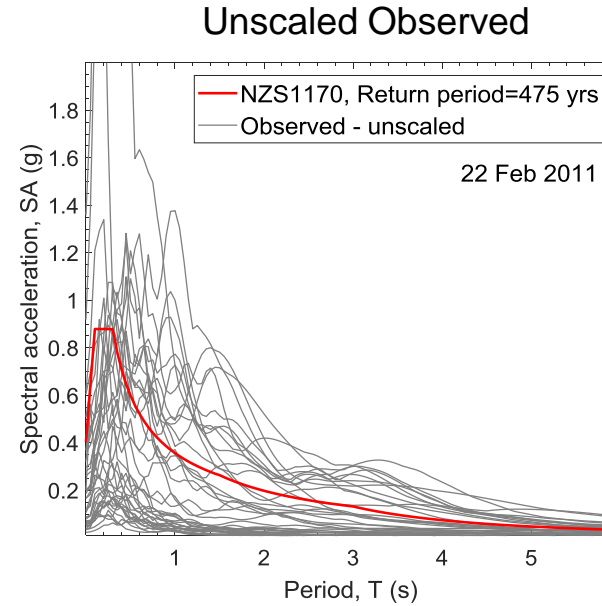
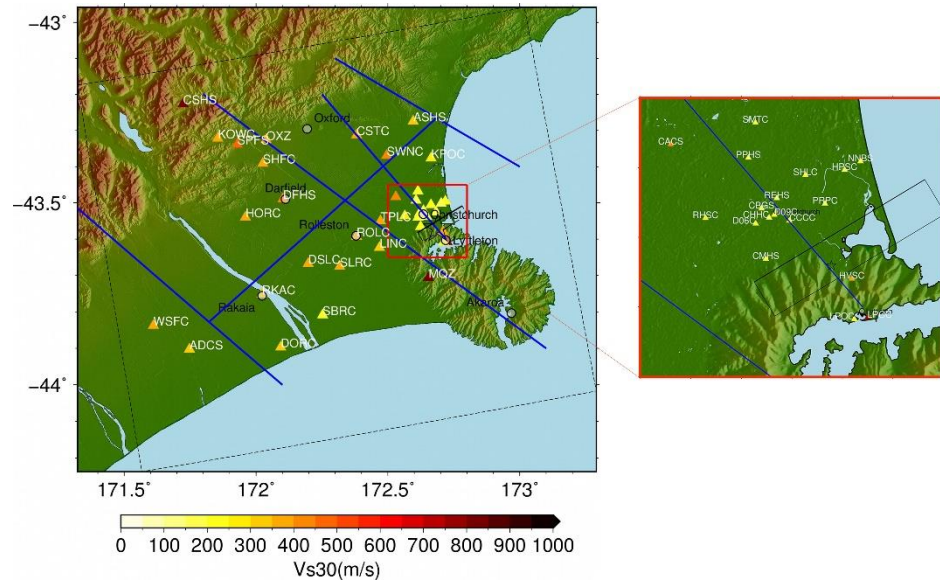
Building B

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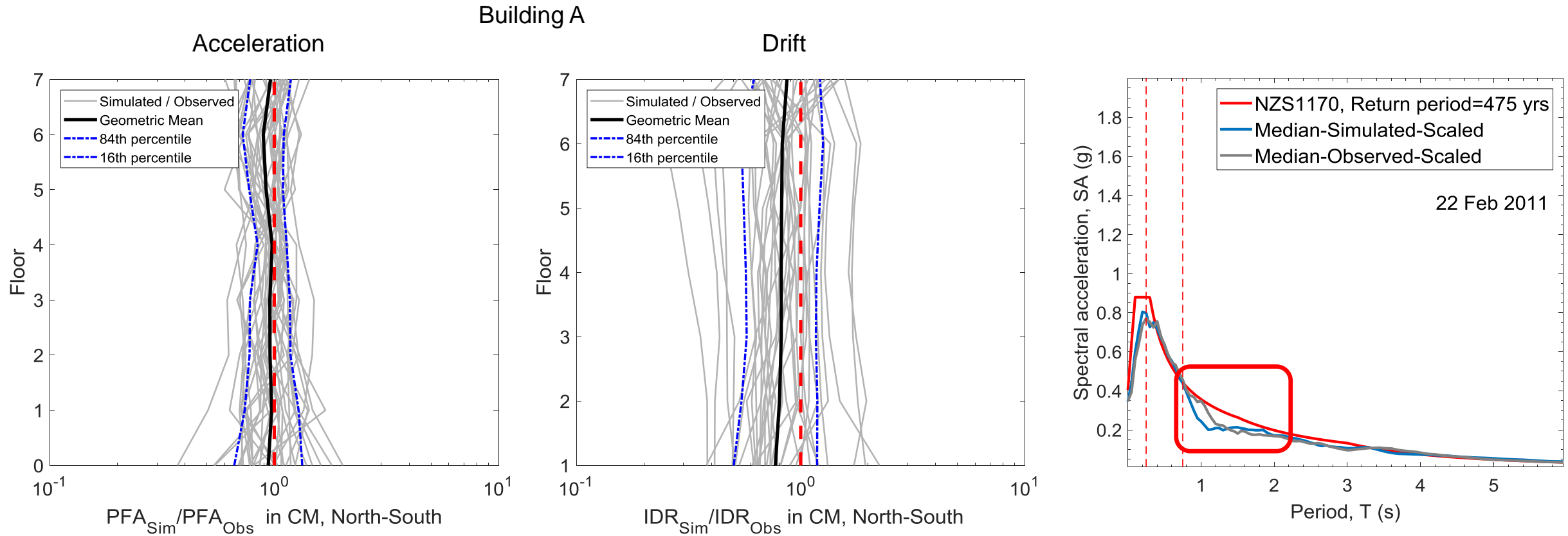
Ground Motions:

- 22 Feb. 2011 Christchurch Eq.
- 40 Stations (Observed and Simulated)
- Scaled based on NZ-1170.5



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Comparison between the EDPs for scaled Sim/Obs GMs:

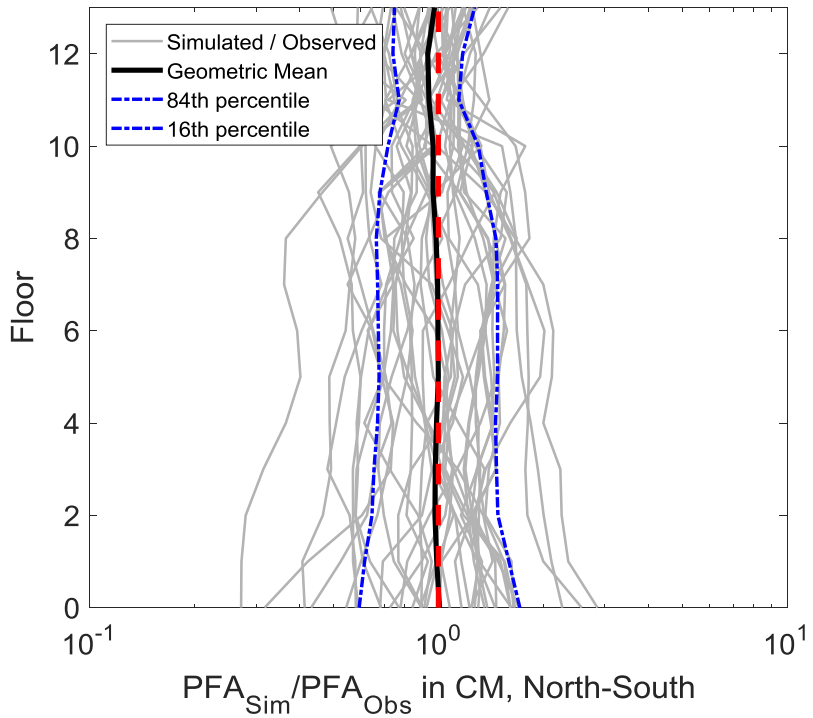


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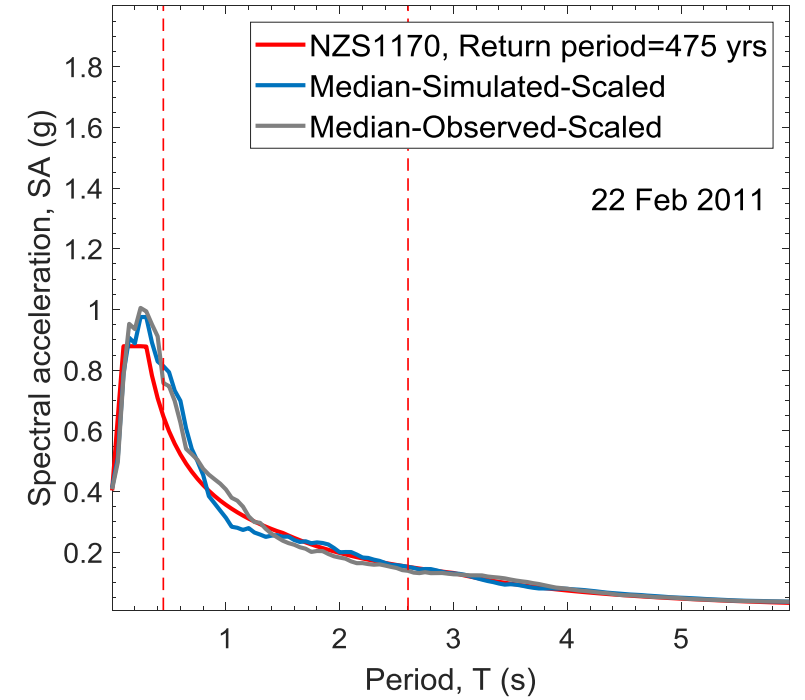
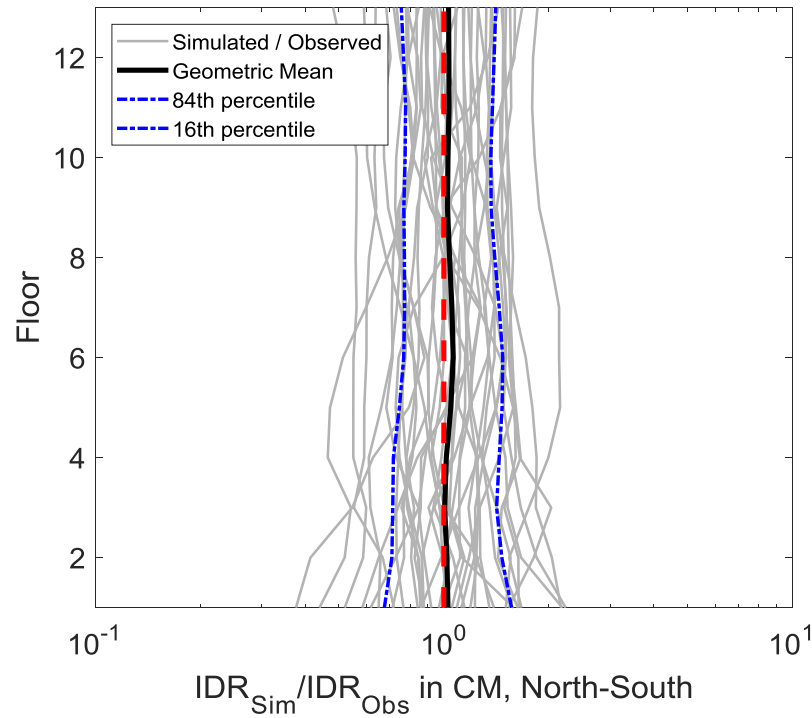
Comparison between the EDPs for scaled Sim/Obs GMs:

Building B

Acceleration



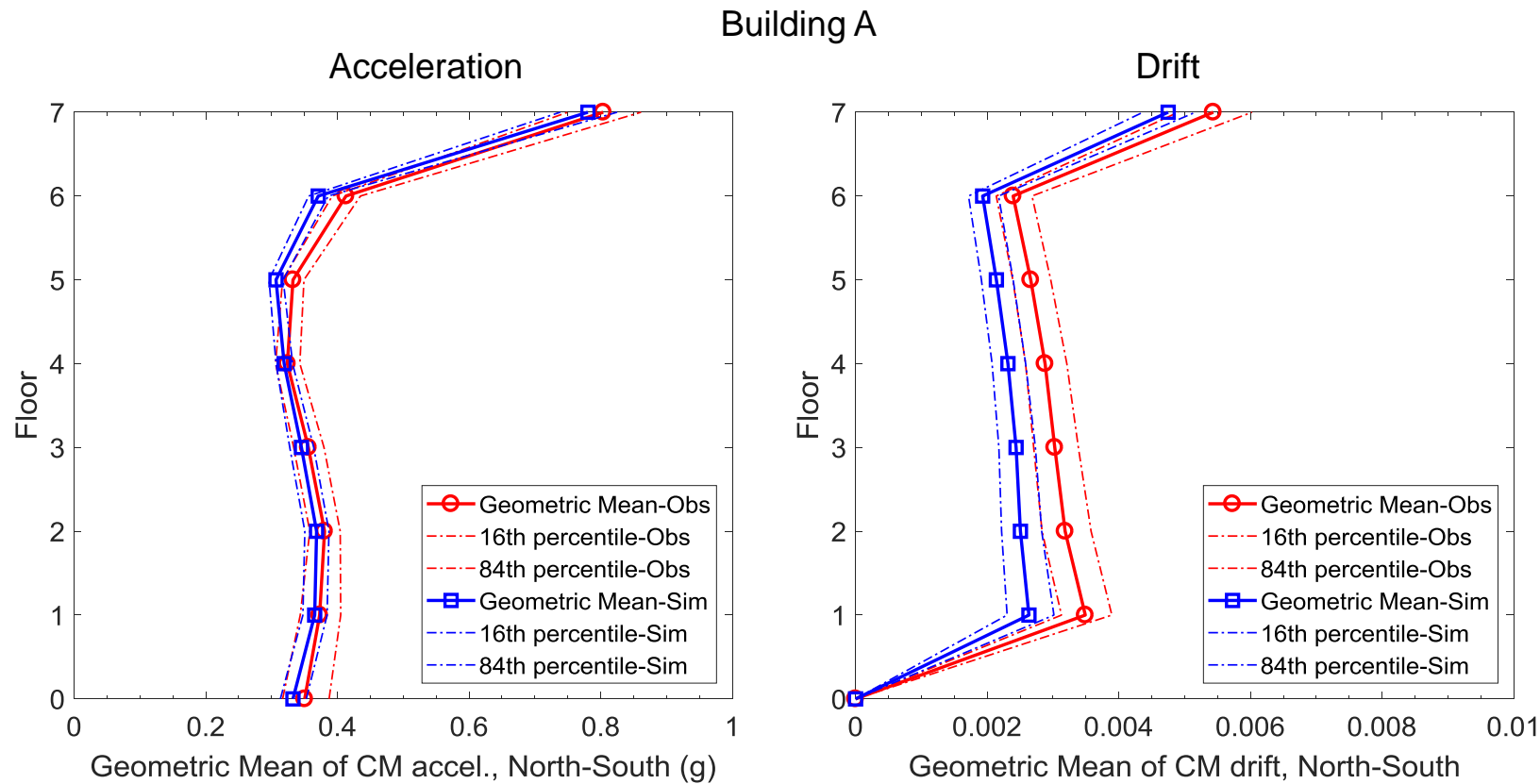
Drift



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Comparing EDPs variability due to the record-to-record variability:

- Bootstrap sampling
- T-test for comparison



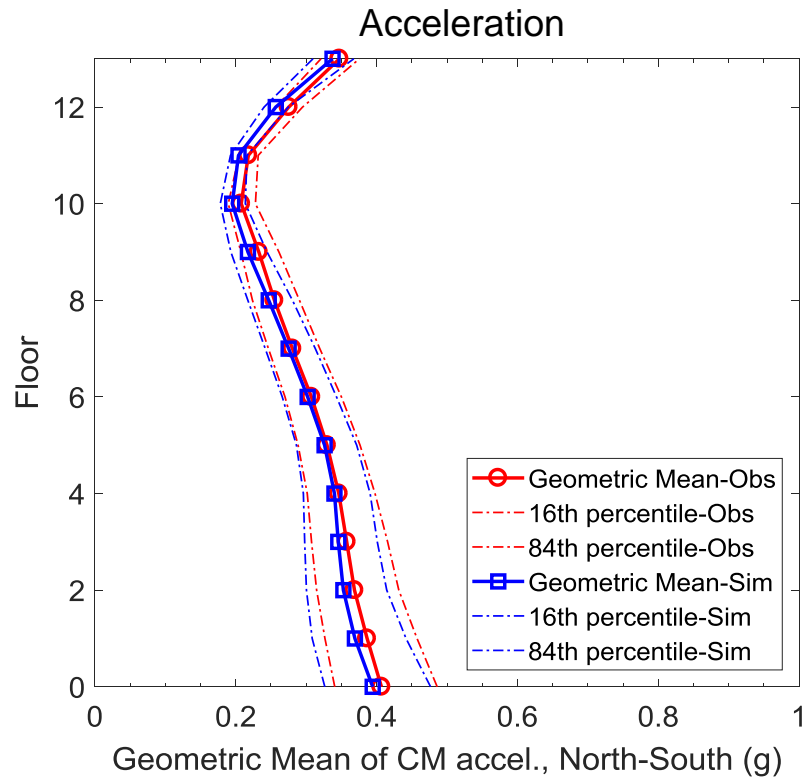
Result:

- Comparable PFA for Building A
- Statistically Significant difference in IDR Building A

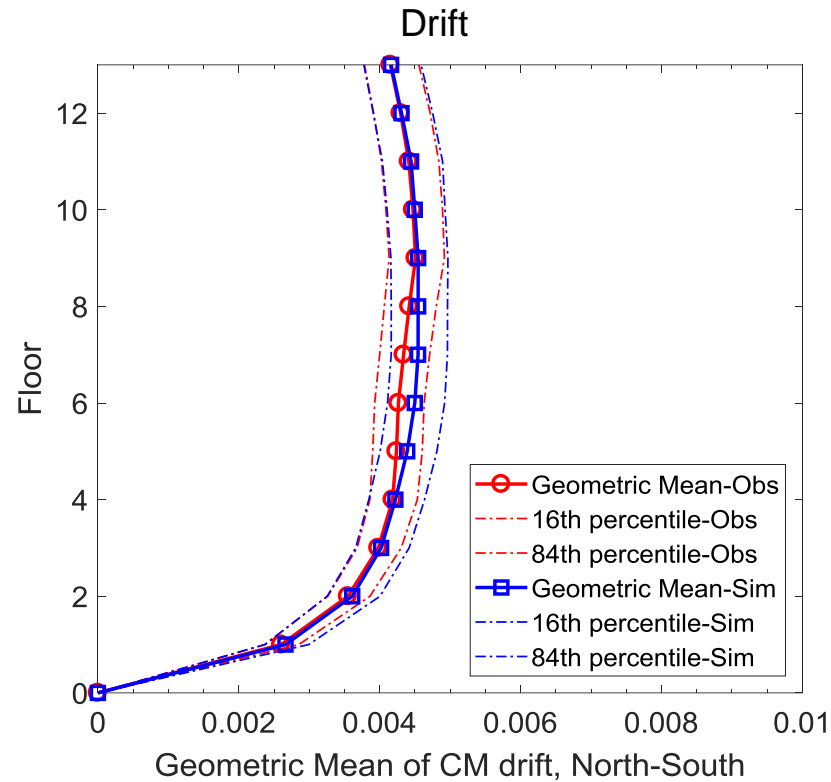
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Building B



Result:

- Comparable responses for Building B

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- ✓ **Objective 2:** Validation of simulated GM by comprehensive analysis of archetypical buildings
 - Different types of structures in terms of material, load carrying system
 - Rigorous models (Nonlinearity, degradation...)
 - Different types of Engineering Demands Parameter (EDPs)
 - Different types of Intensity Measures (IMs)
 - Pre-collapse and collapse levels
 - Covering 4th columns of validation matrix (Complex Systems)

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- ✓ **Objective 3:** Develop “Automated” workflow for validation using MDoF systems
 - Make it a routine process
 - Comparing different methods of ground motion simulation

- ✓ **Objective 4:** Seismic performance assessment using simulated ground motions
 - Validation at different hazard levels by selecting simulated ground motions