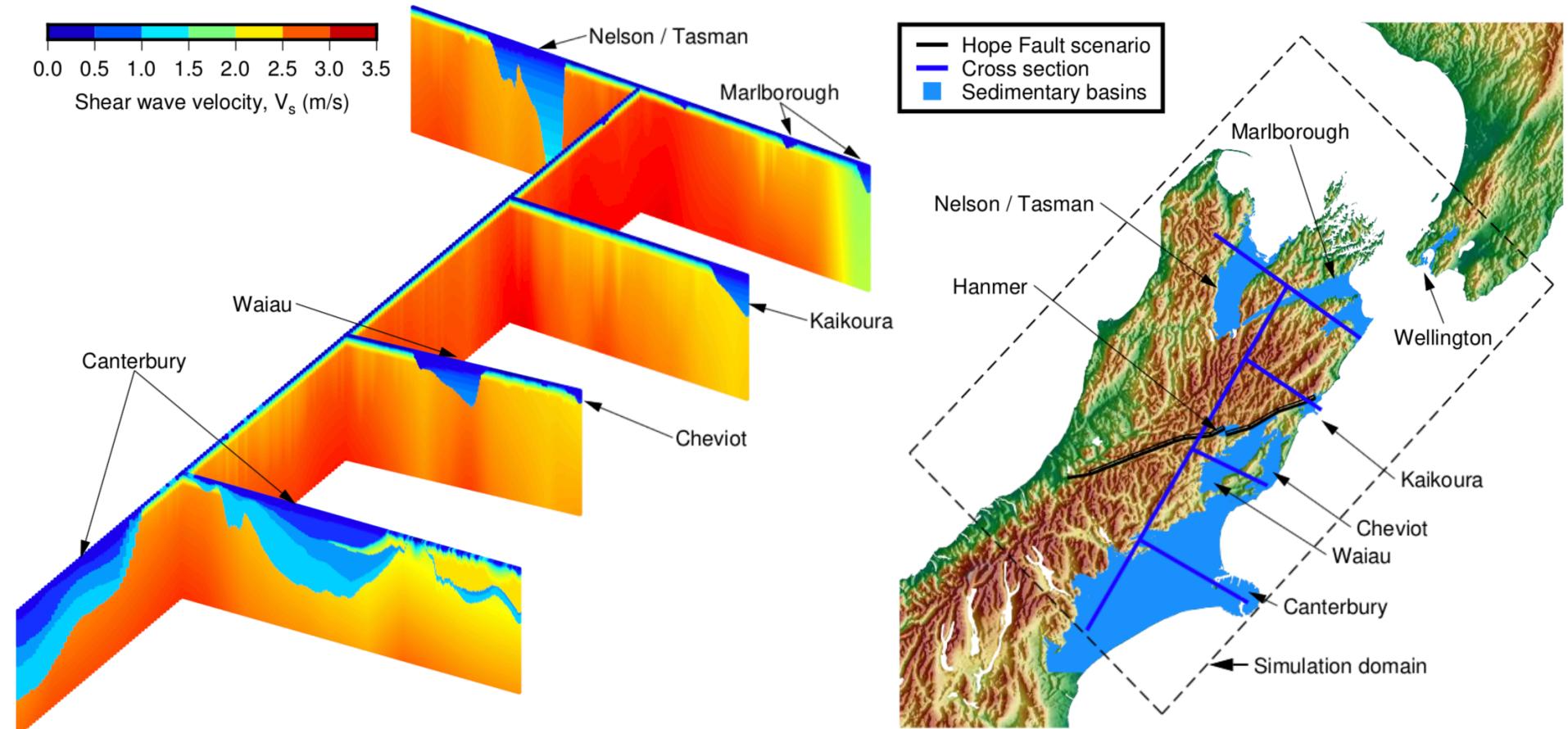


The New Zealand Community Velocity Model (NZVM): Development, iteration and applications



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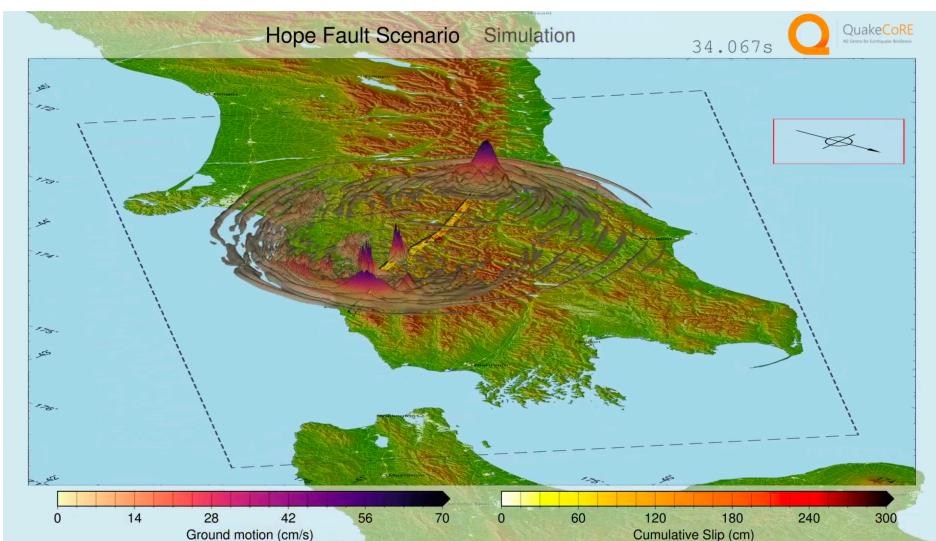
Overview

1. Primary motivation for NZVM
2. NZVM details
3. Validation: Ground motion simulation
4. On-going work on FWT

Primary motivation: GM Simulation

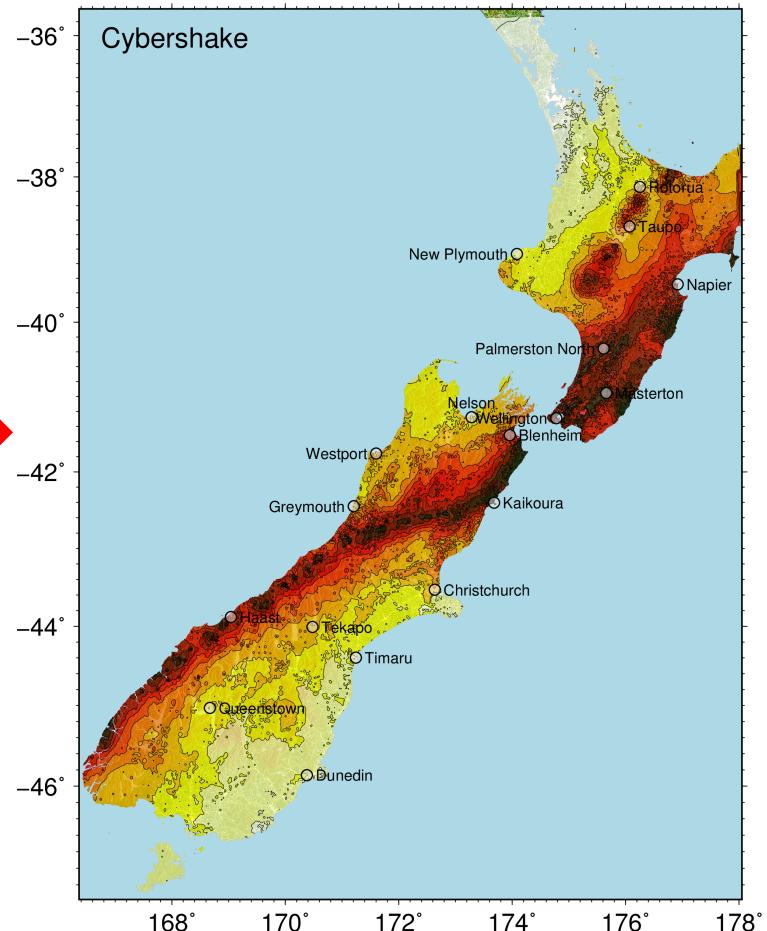


Earthquake Rupture Forecast



Ground motion prediction

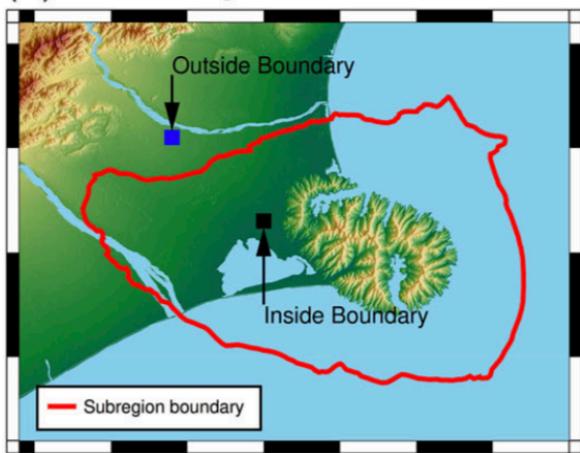
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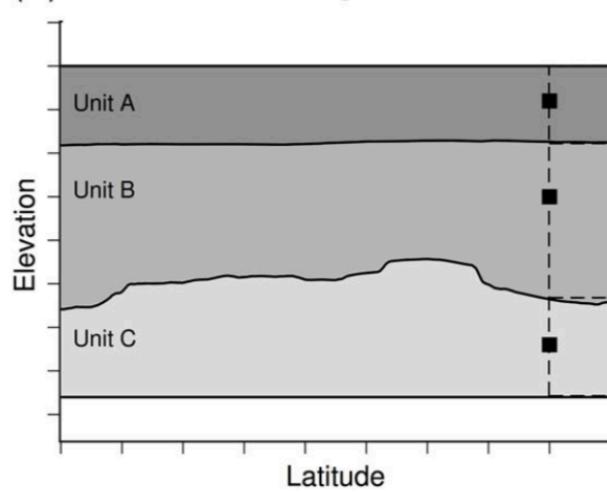
NZVM Framework

- ‘Surface’ based approach, allowing flexible prescription of velocity parametrization within volumes

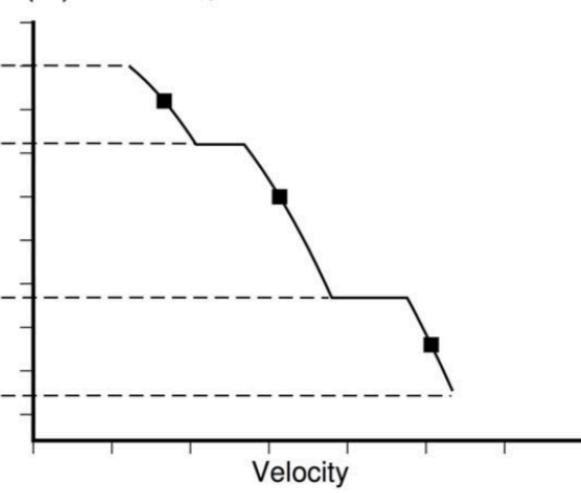
(A) Subregion determination



(B) Bounding surfaces



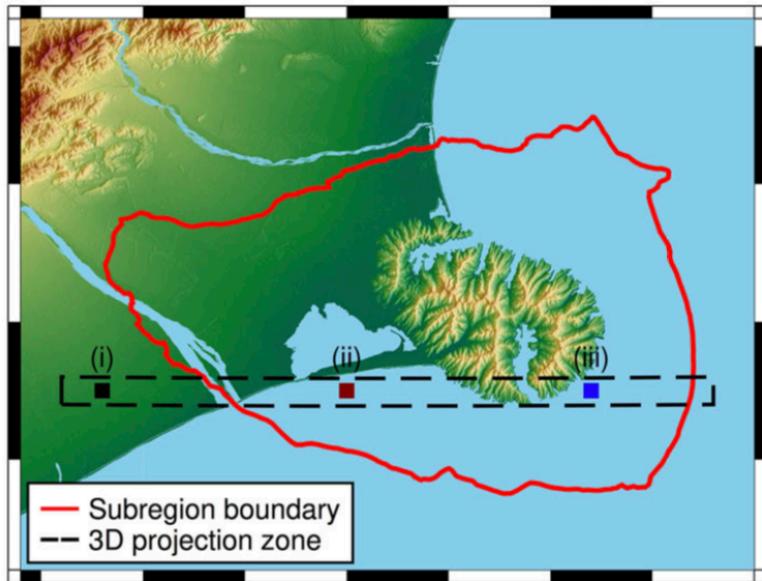
(C) Interpolation of velocities



Sub-region definition

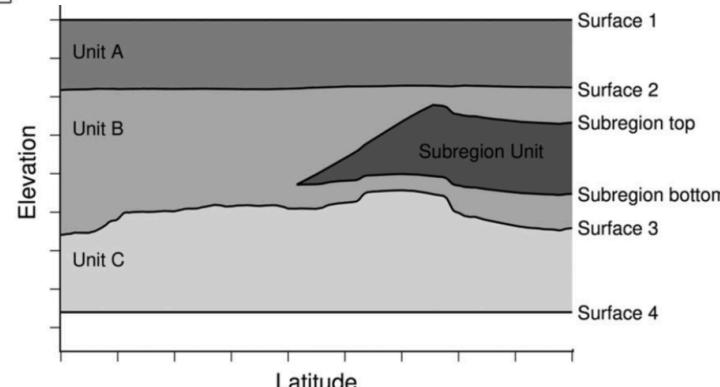
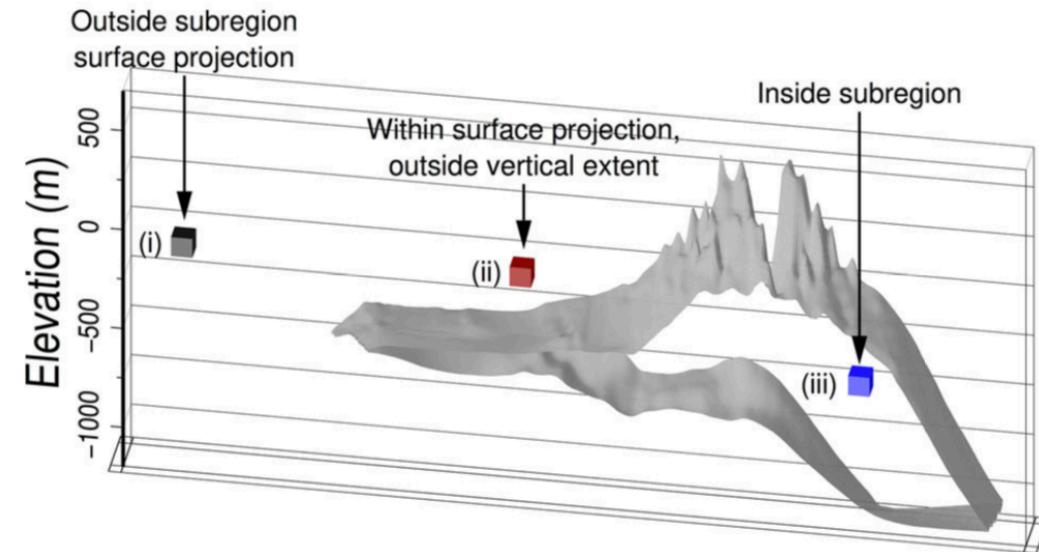
- Sub-region notion to limit the geographical extent required for specifying surfaces

(A) Subregion boundary surface projection



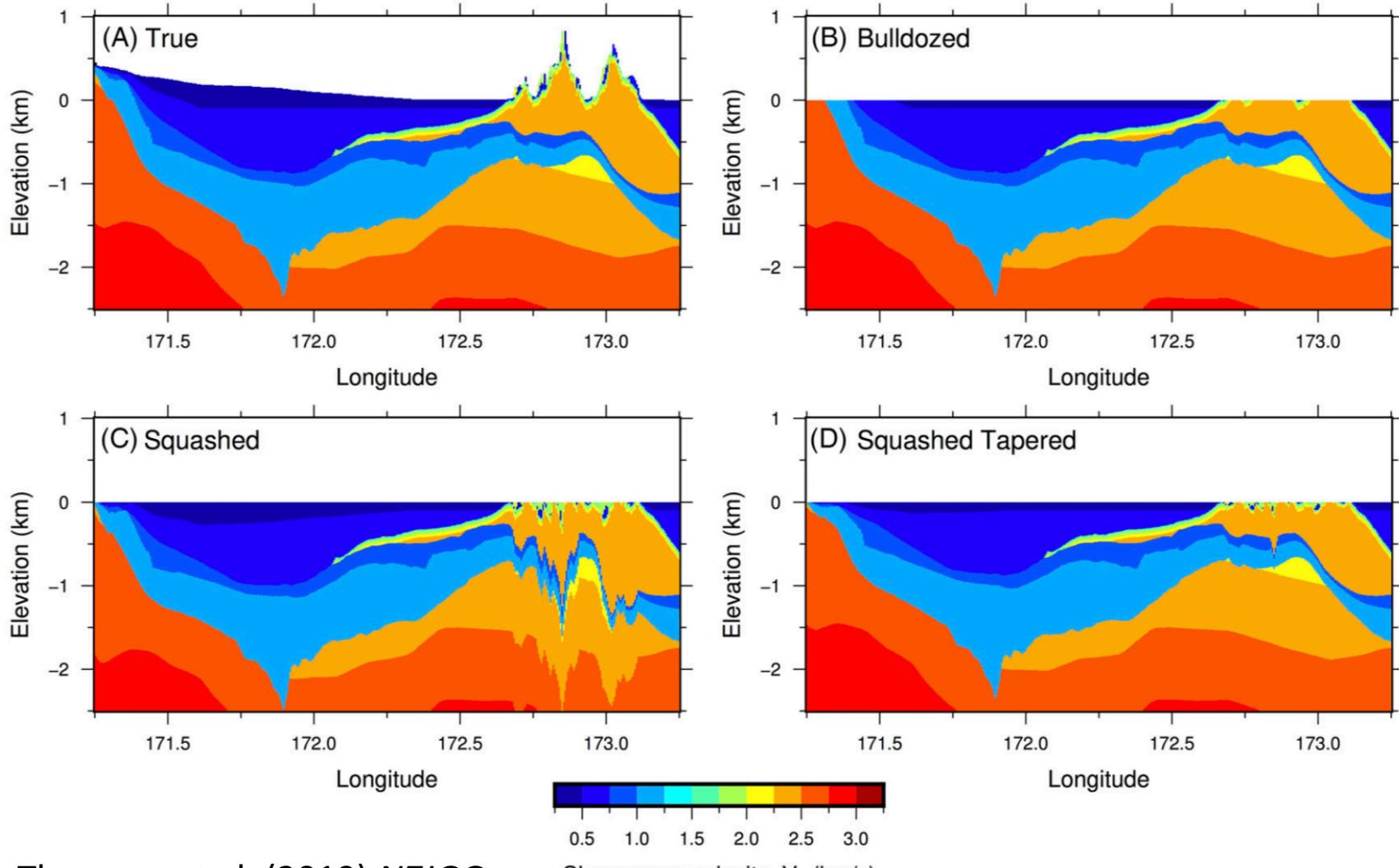
(B)

Subregion vertical extent



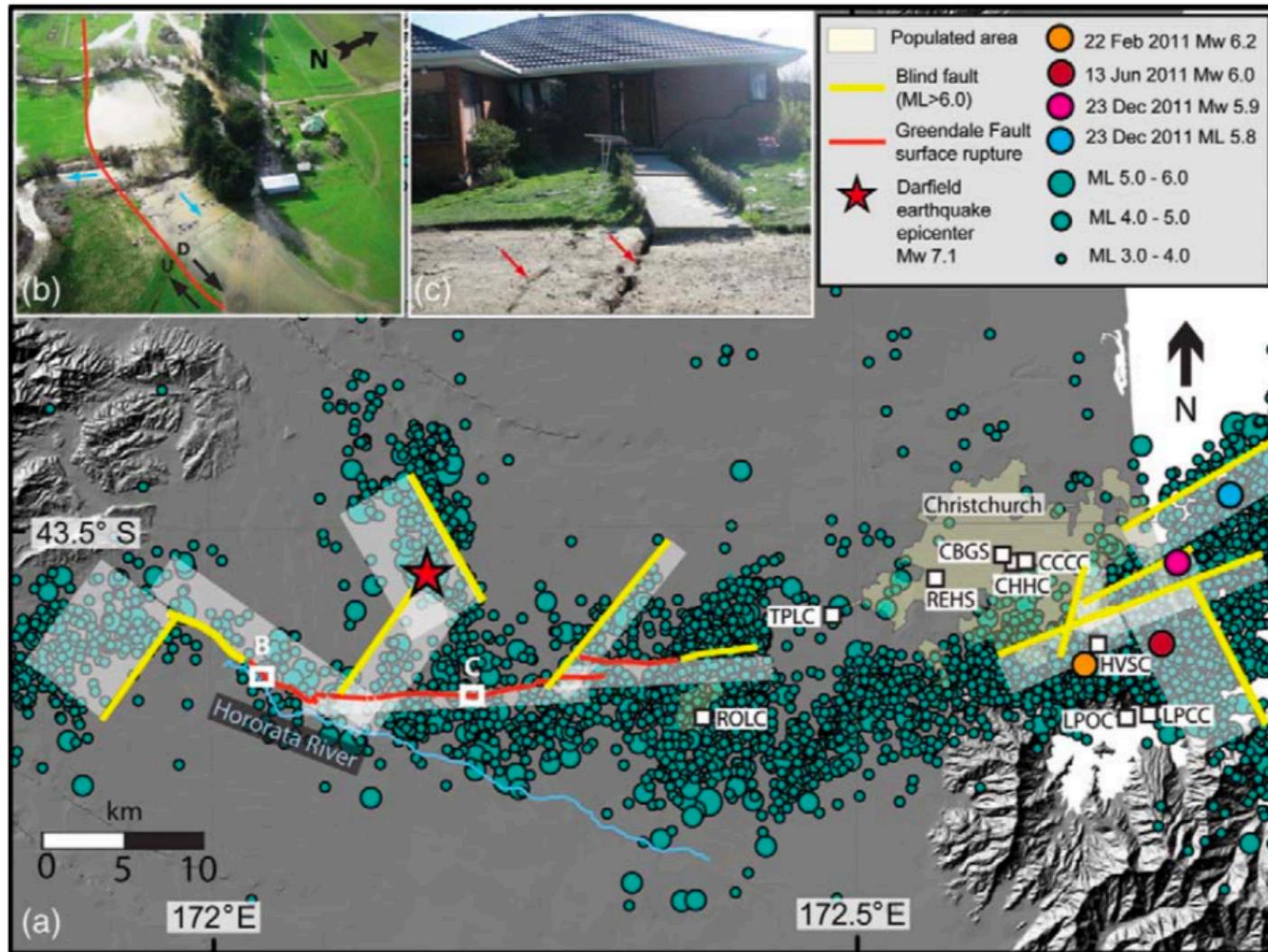
Topographic representation

- Four options for topography

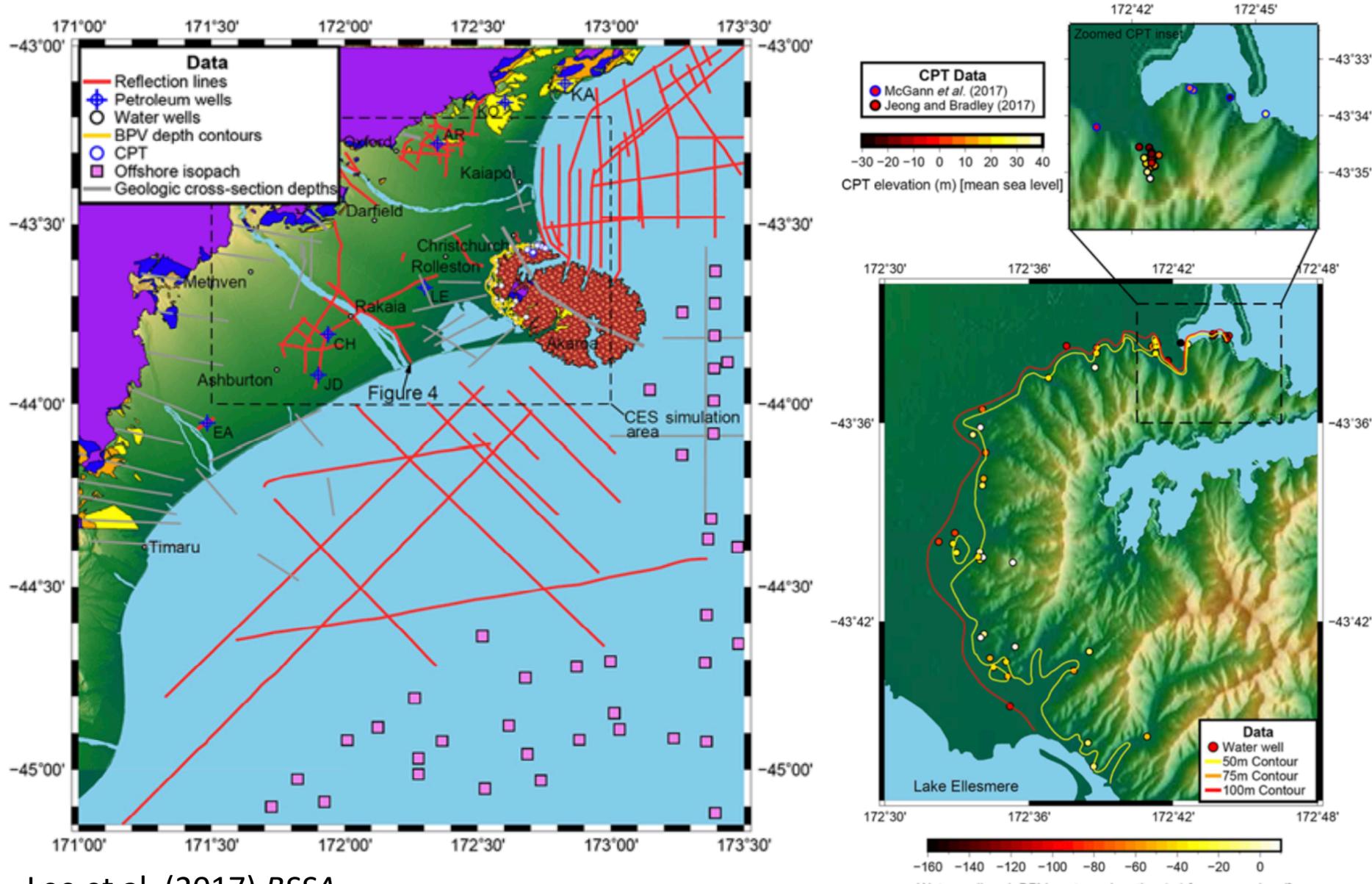


NZVM 1.X – Canterbury NZ

Motivation: Perform ground motion simulations for events in the 2010-2011 Canterbury earthquake sequence



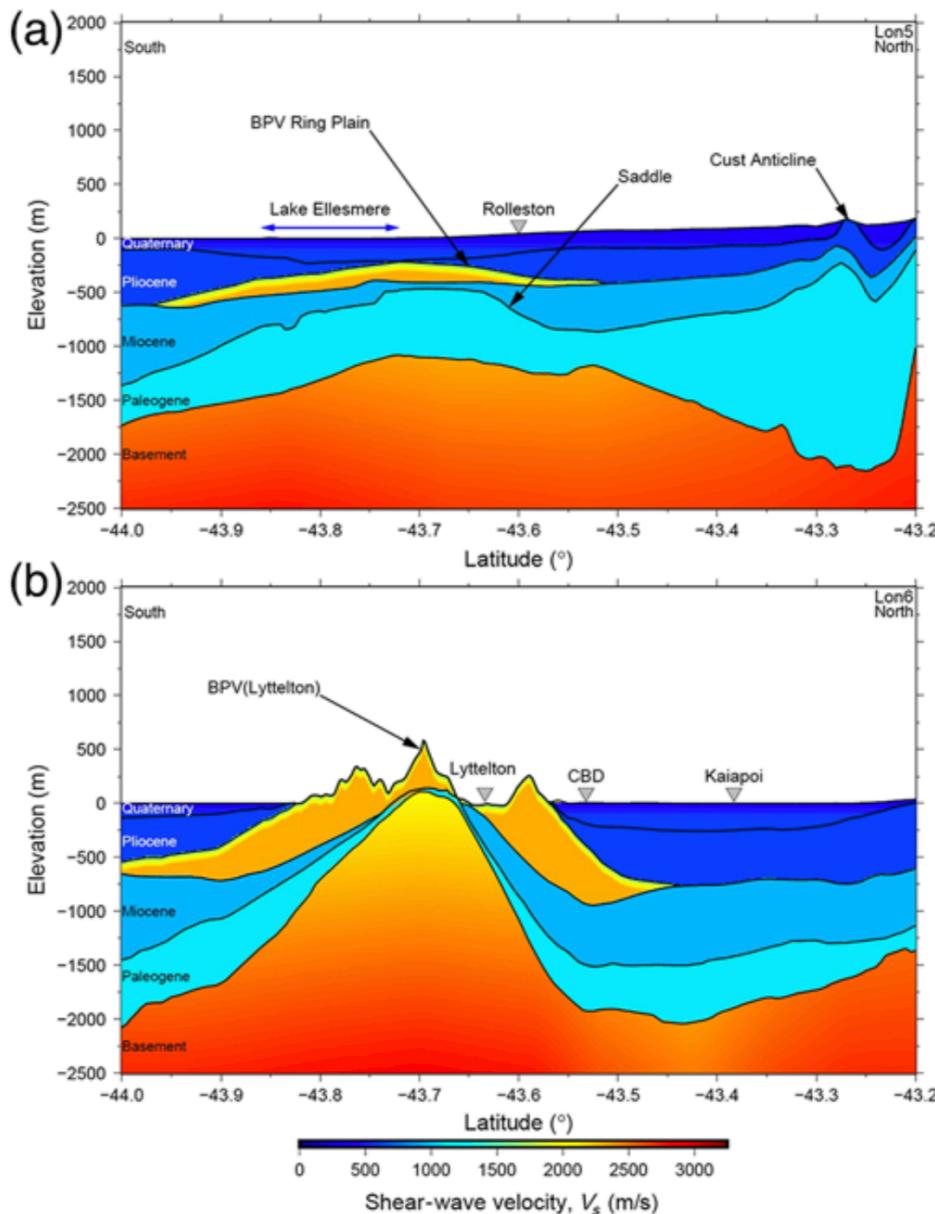
Datasets considered in VM development



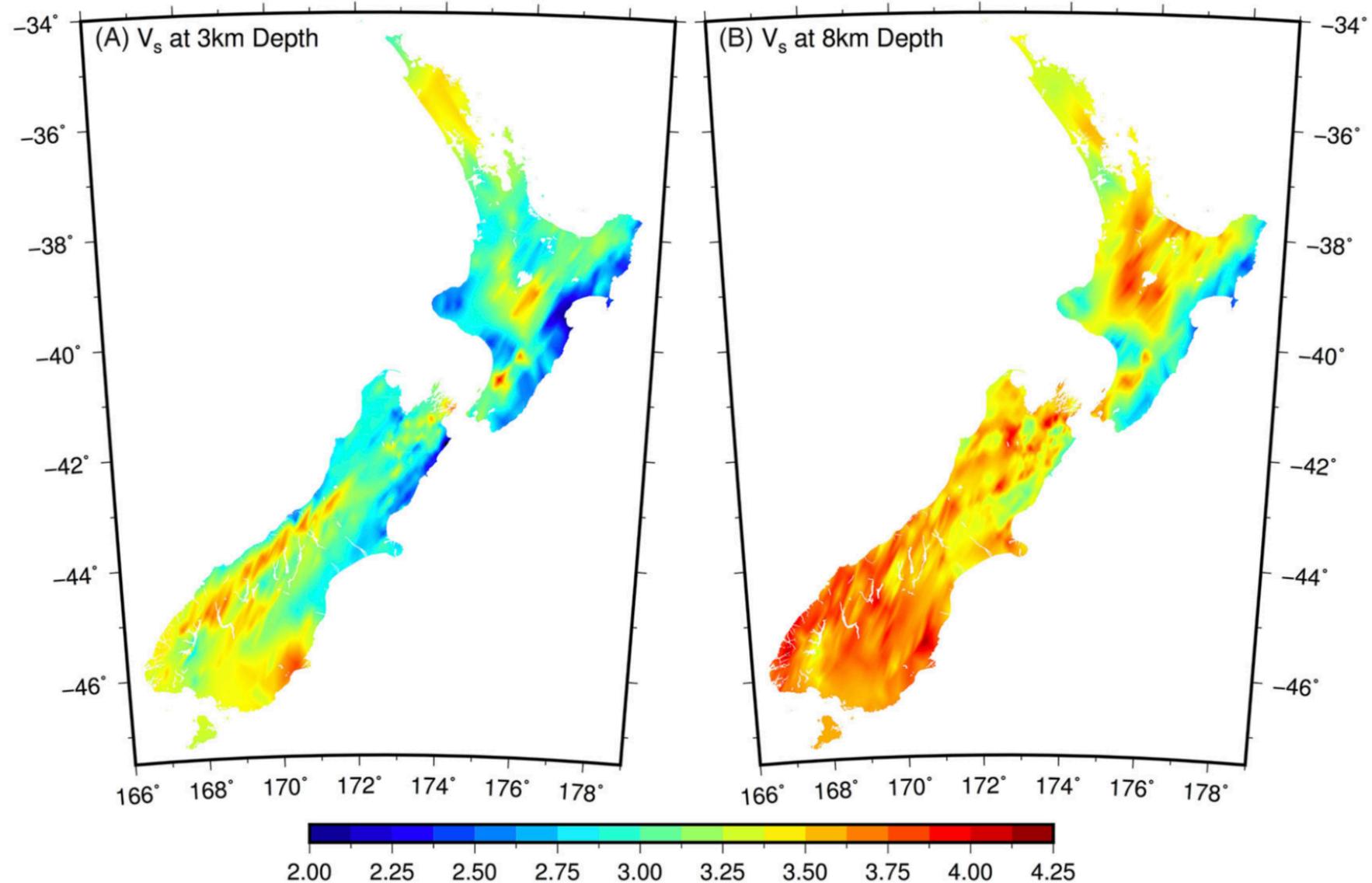
Surfaces based on lithographic properties

Unit* and reflections	Equivalent formation and inferred age (Ma)
Quaternary	Ground surface Interbedded gravels, silts and sandstones Kowai Formation (about 4–1.2 Ma)
Pliocene	a. Banks Peninsula volcanics (~11–6 Ma) b. Tokama Siltstone (5.0 Ma) and interbedded sandstones and mudstones
Miocene	Amuri Limestone (30 Ma) and interbedded sandstones and mudstones
Paleogene	Conway and Broken River formations (65 Ma), sandstones, mudstones and coal
Late Cretaceous	c. Mt. Somers volcanics (89 Ma)
Basement	Torlesse Composite Terrane (>120 Ma), graywackes and schists

Except for the basement and Quaternary models, velocities constant within a given layer (insufficient data to constrain depth-dependent velocity at the time)

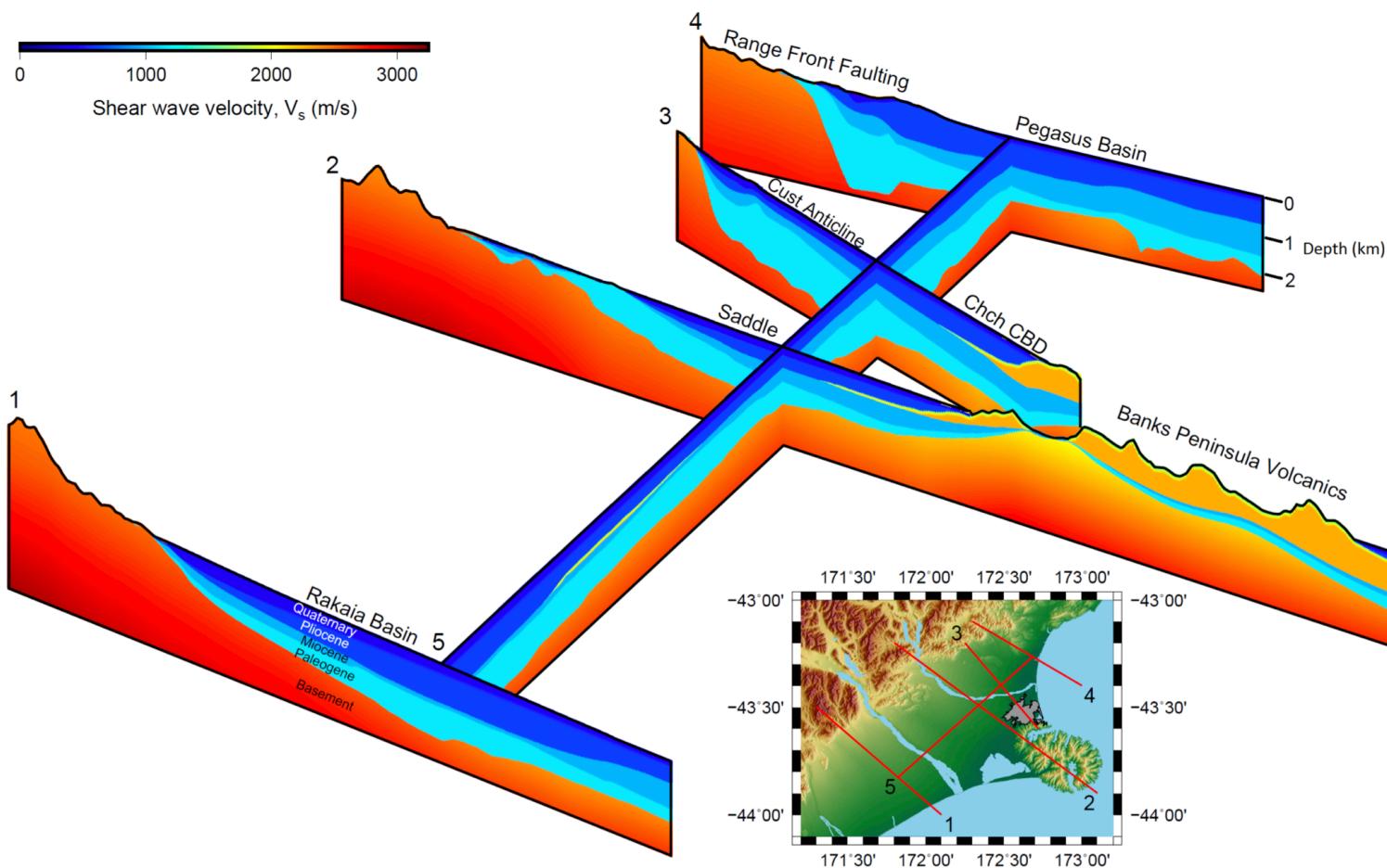


NZ-wide 3D crustal model ('basement' below basins)



NZVM 1.67 – Canterbury NZ

- Fence diagram along five transects

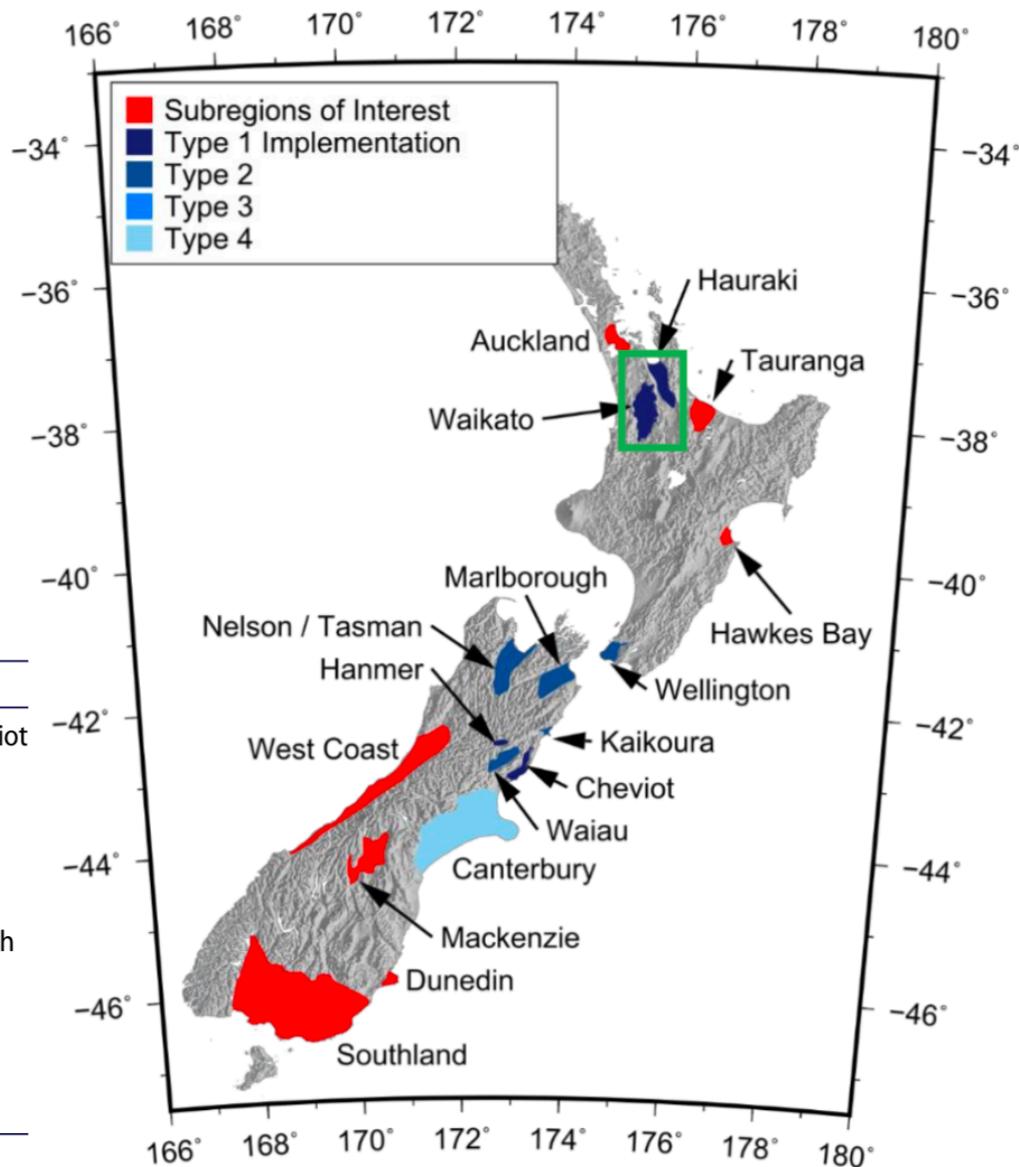


NZVM 2.X - Extension to NZ-wide model

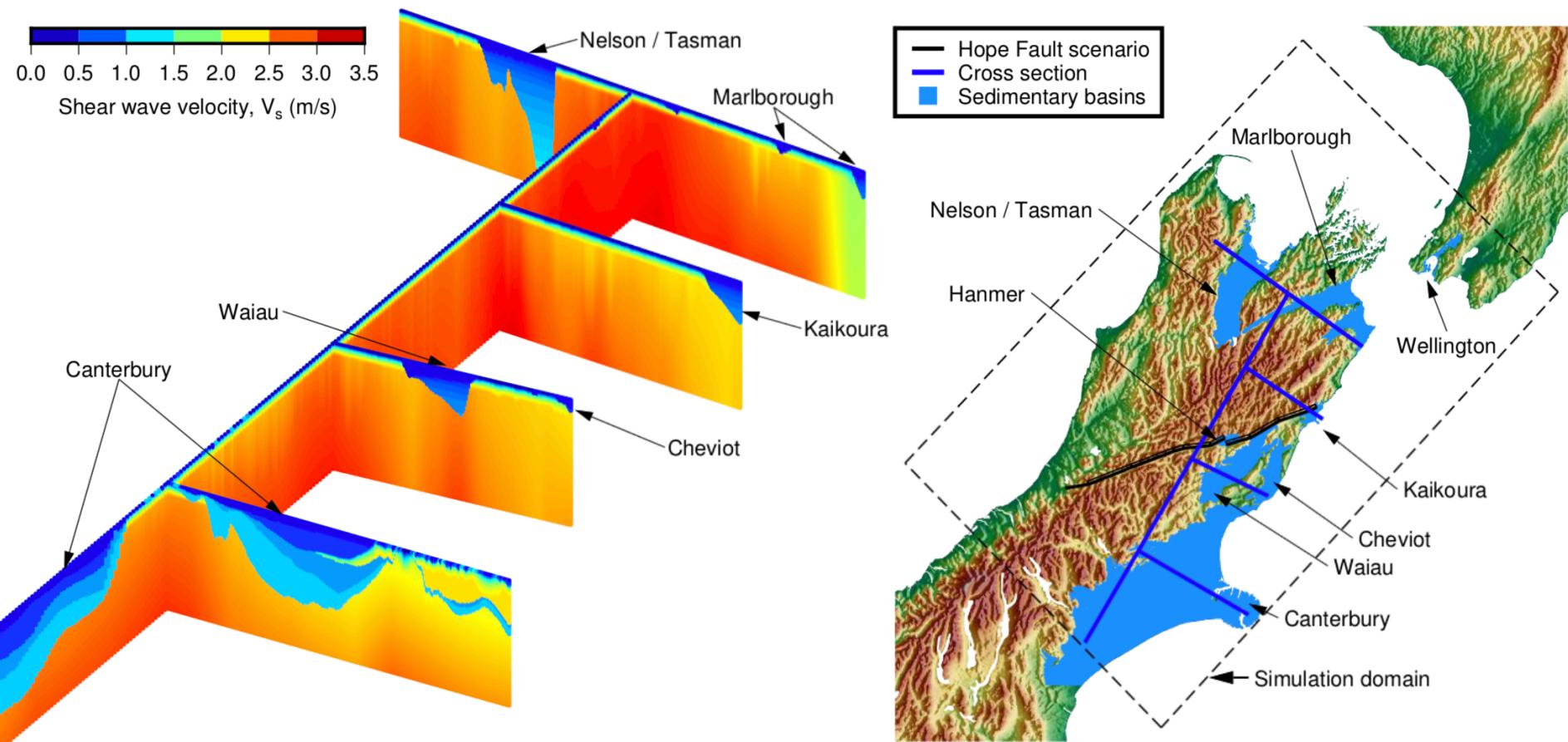
- Desire to consider all sedimentary basins in NZ
- Variable data quality - Introduced 'Type' classification
- Currently 10 basins implemented

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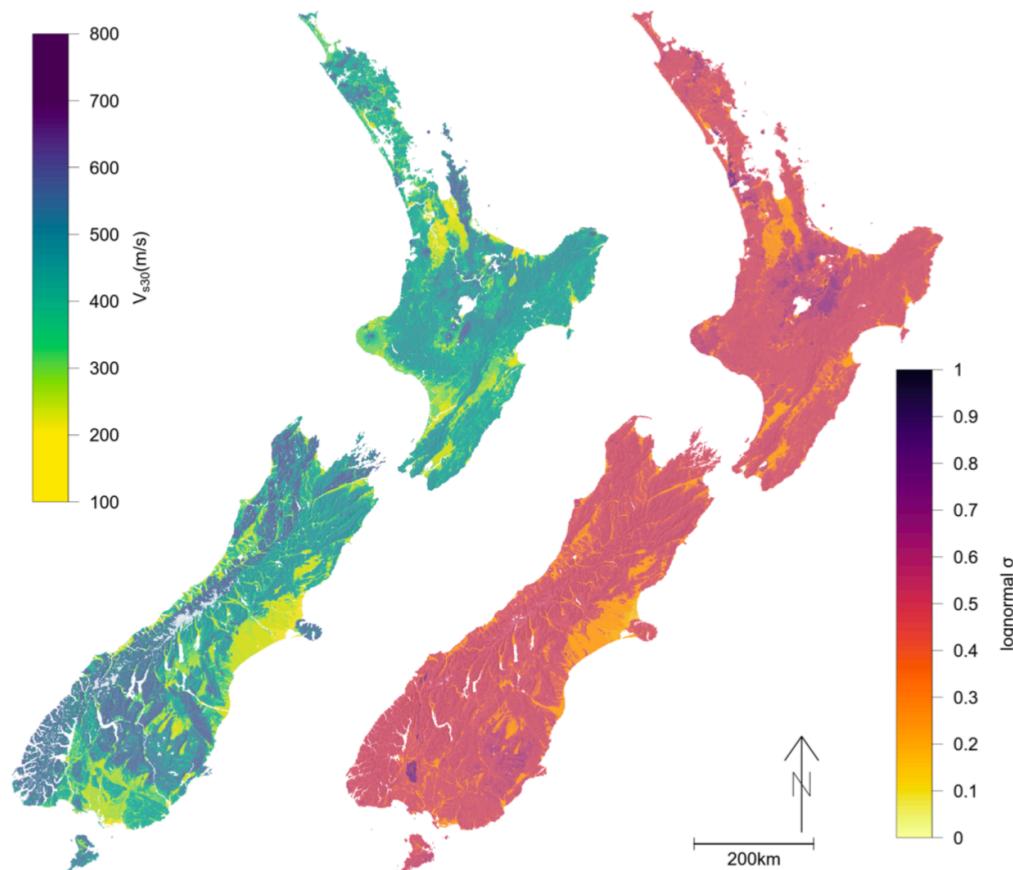


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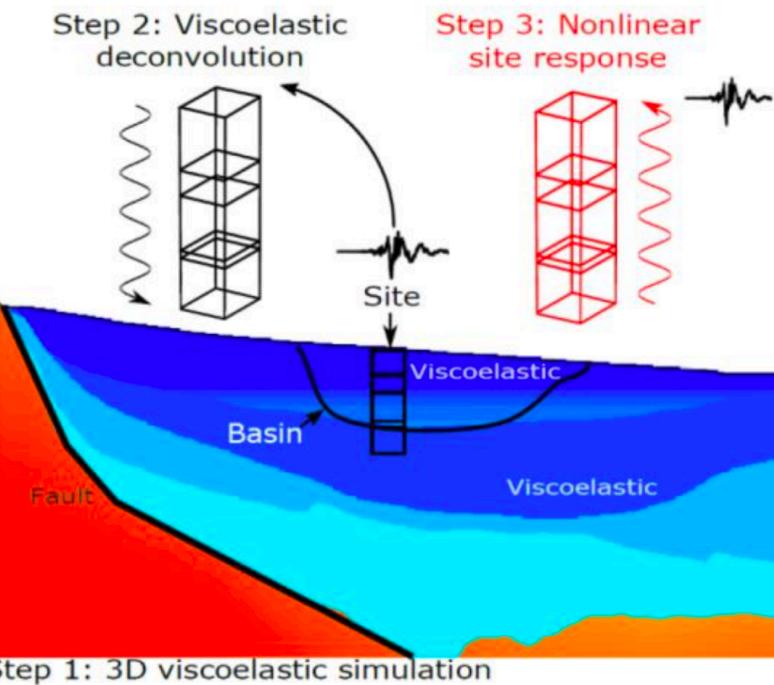


Shallow VM representation

Approach 1: Shallow site-effect modelling via Vs30 for regional modelling ('Vs30-taper')



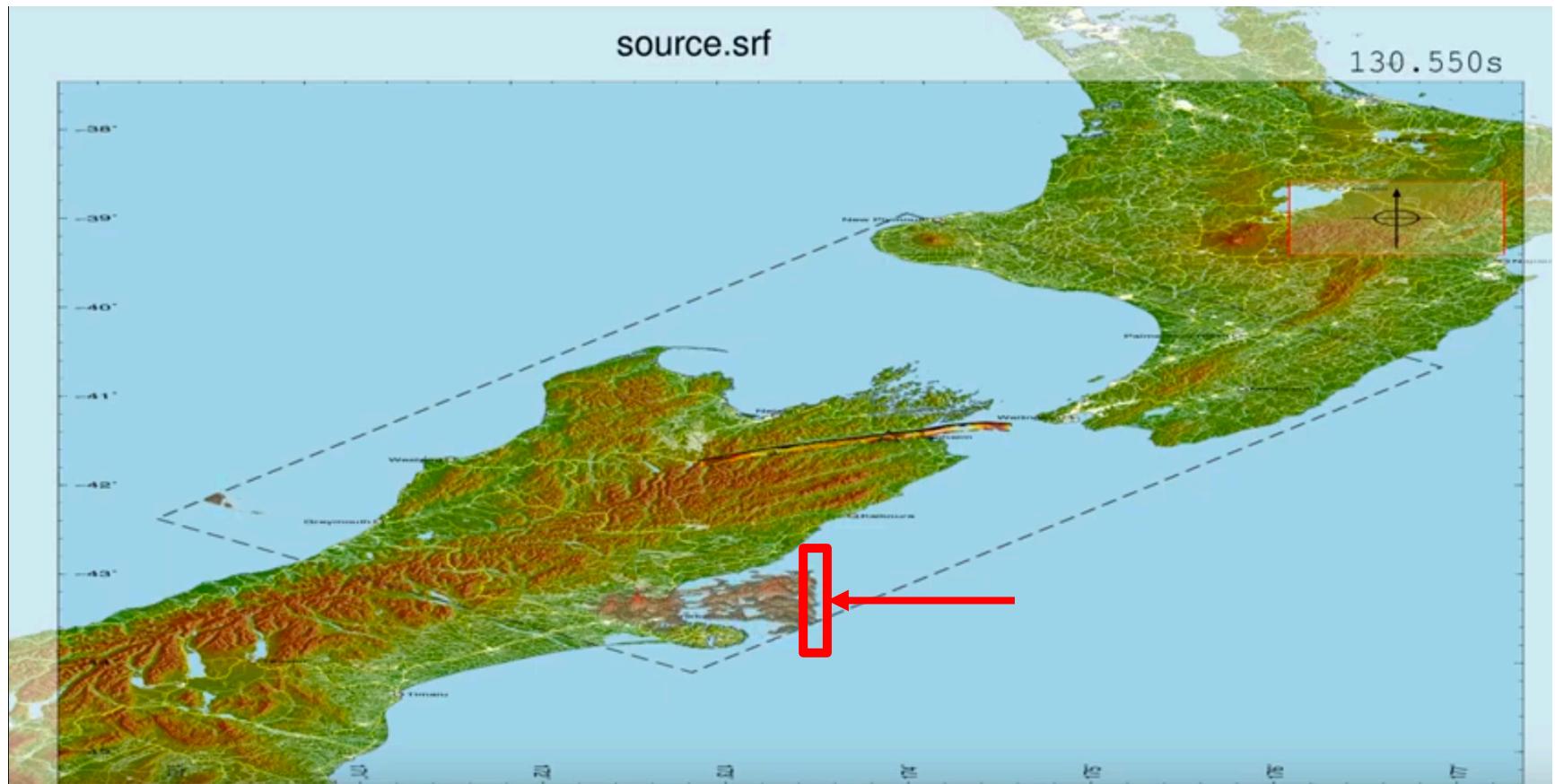
Approach 2: Site-specific geotechnical response for location-specific modelling



de la Torre et al. (2019) *Soil Dyn. Eq. Eng.*

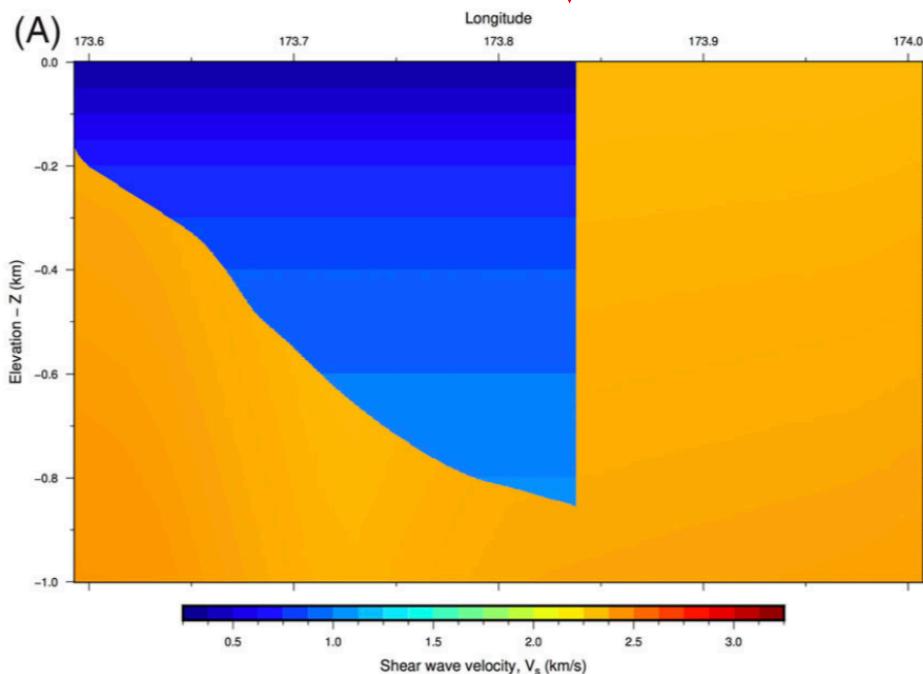
'Boundary' effects

- (1) splicing of different regional crustal models; (2) sedimentary basin boundaries with non-zero depth – mainly offshore edges

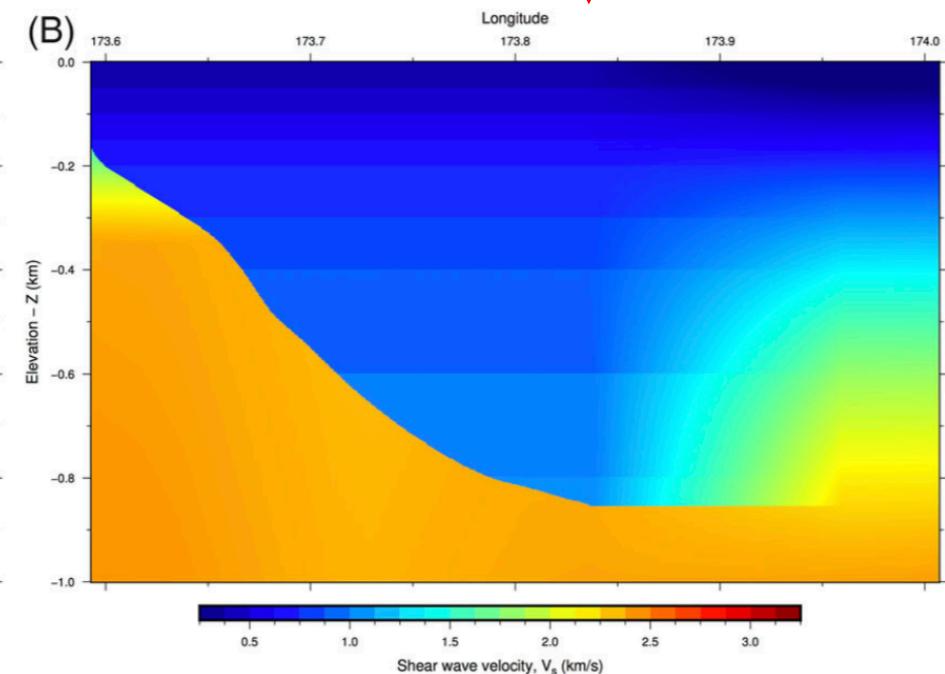


Offshore discontinuities

Basin model extent



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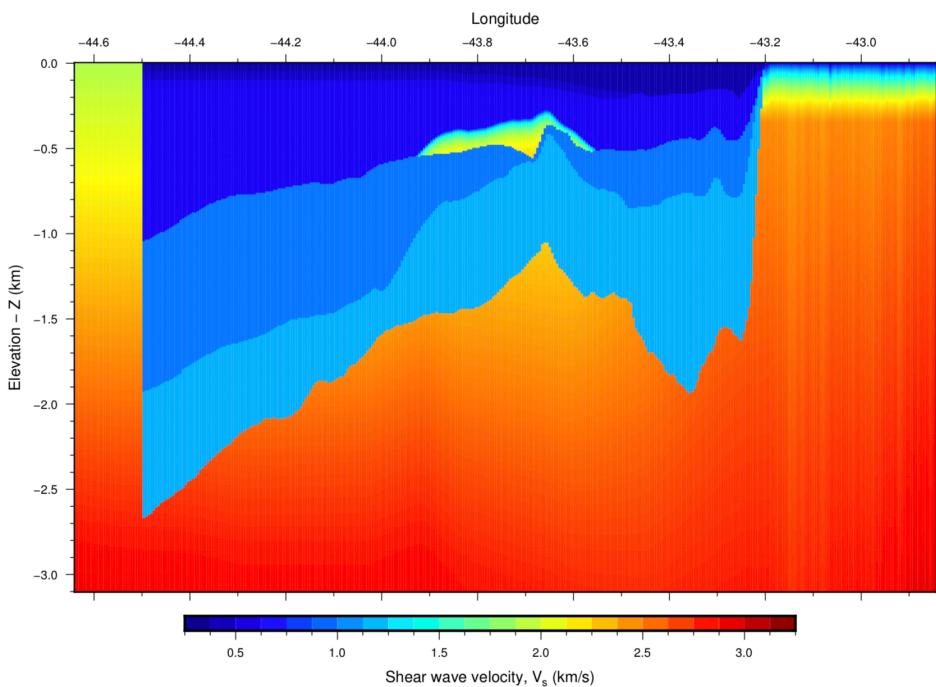


Lateral smoothing over 10km

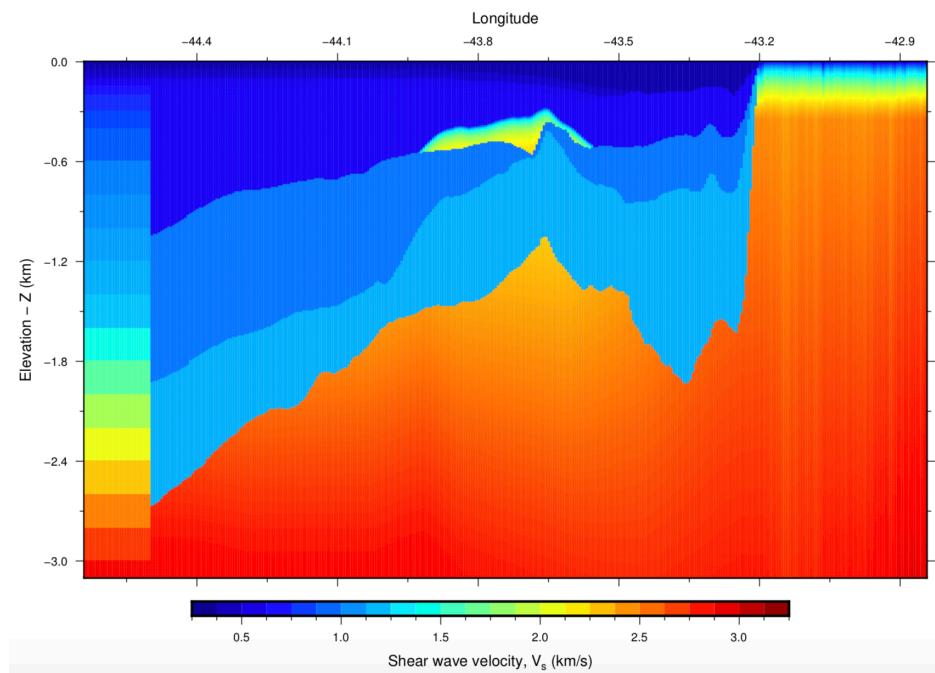
Offshore generic basin

- Generic offshore basin: (i) depth as a function of distance from coast; (ii) generic 1D Vp/s profile

No modification



Generic offshore basin



NZVM Open-source

github :

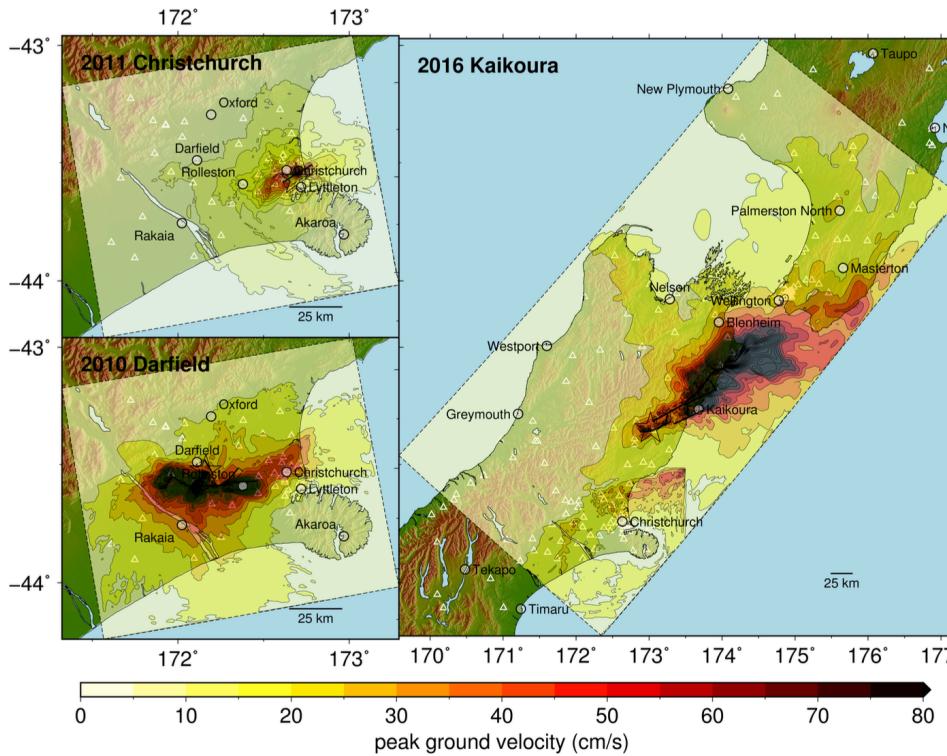
<https://github.com/ucgmsim/Velocity-Model>

NZVM validation

- Two forms:
 - Incrementally-collected data is compared with latest NZVM version to examine discrepancies (and potentially leads to updates)
 - NZVM using in ground motion simulation that is directly validated against observations (such validation also includes predictive capability of the GM simulation method – so small magnitude events best for 'isolating' VM-based errors)

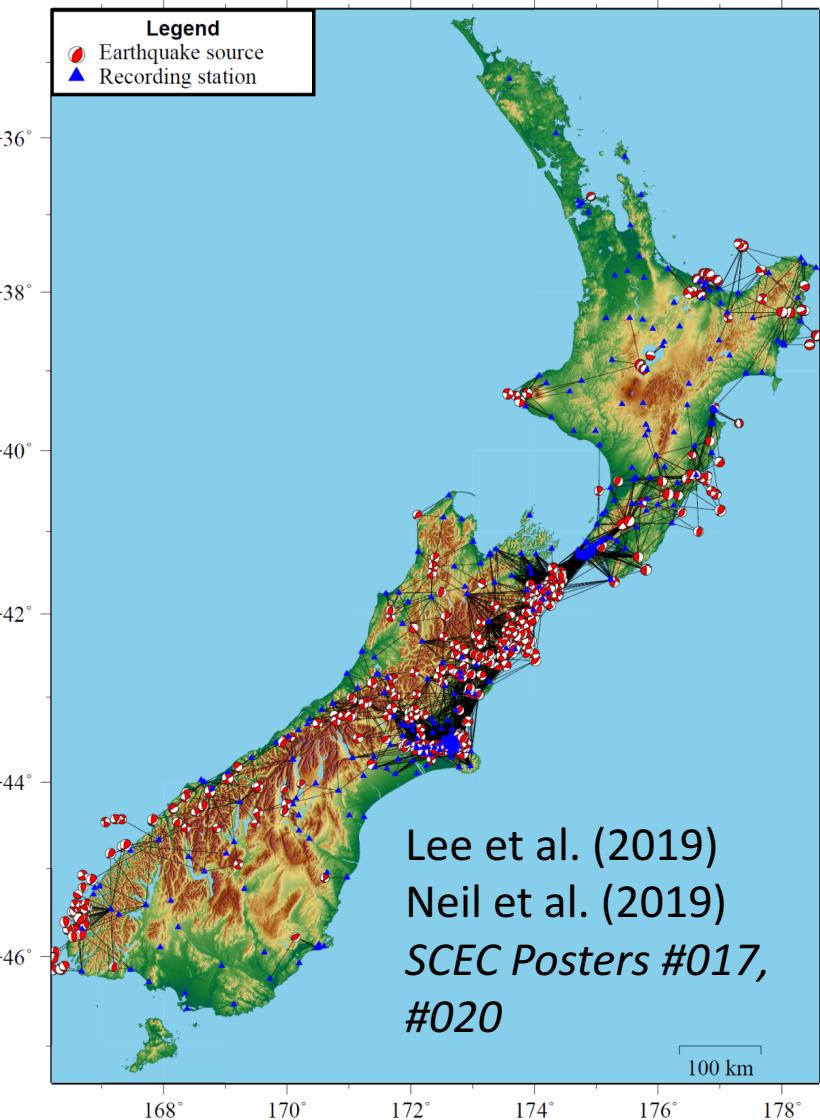
Predictive capability via validation

Rare, impactful events



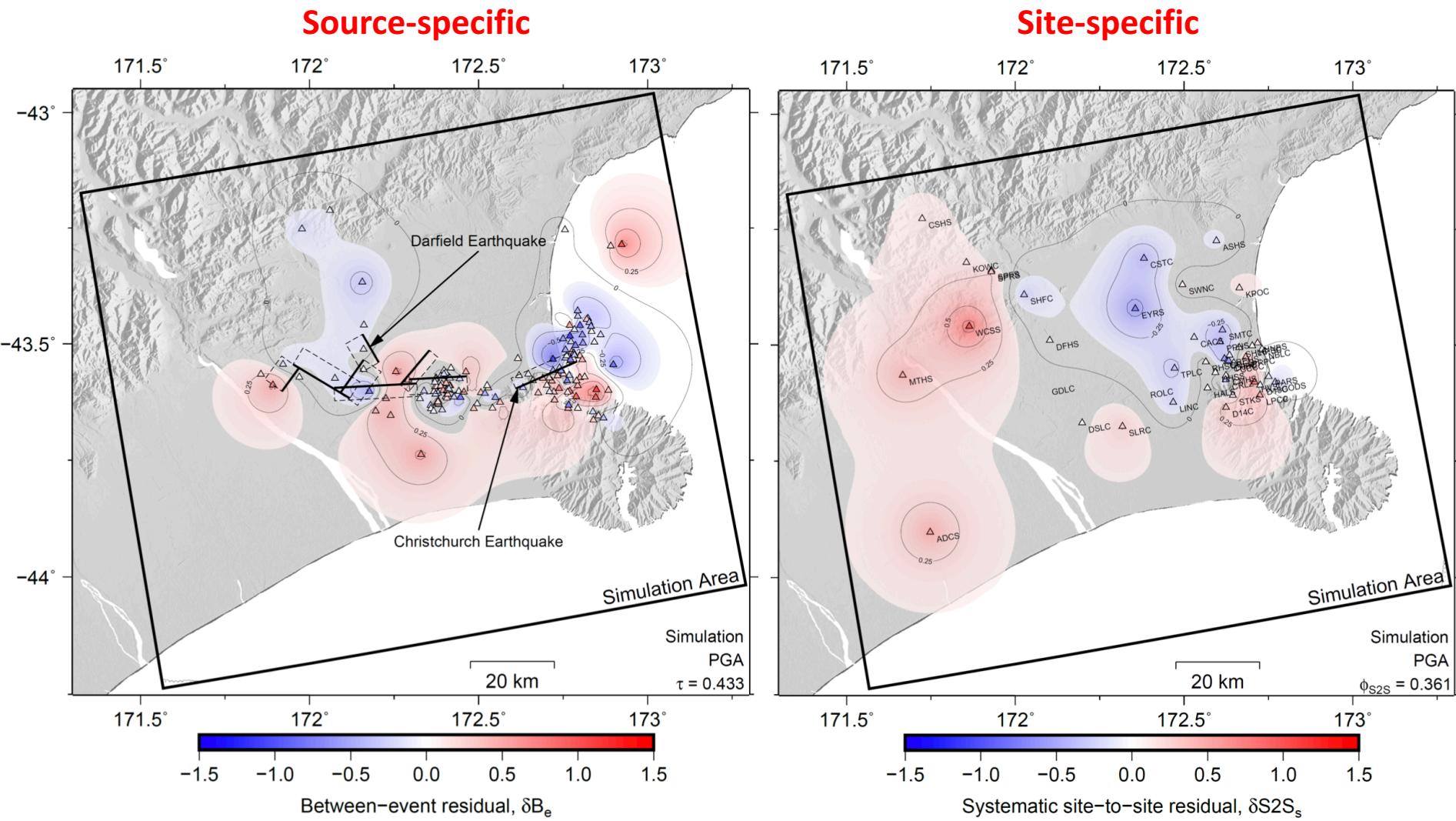
Validation performed for over
600 events in New Zealand

Numerous small events

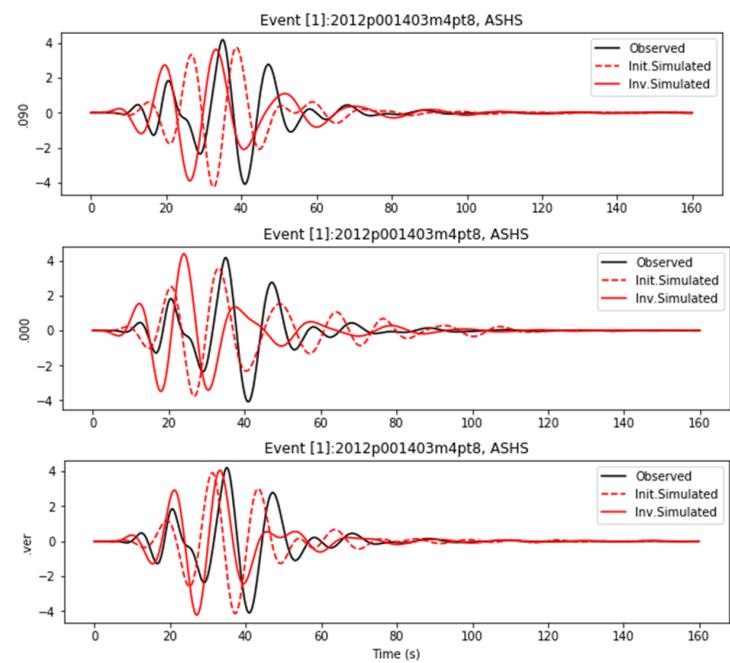
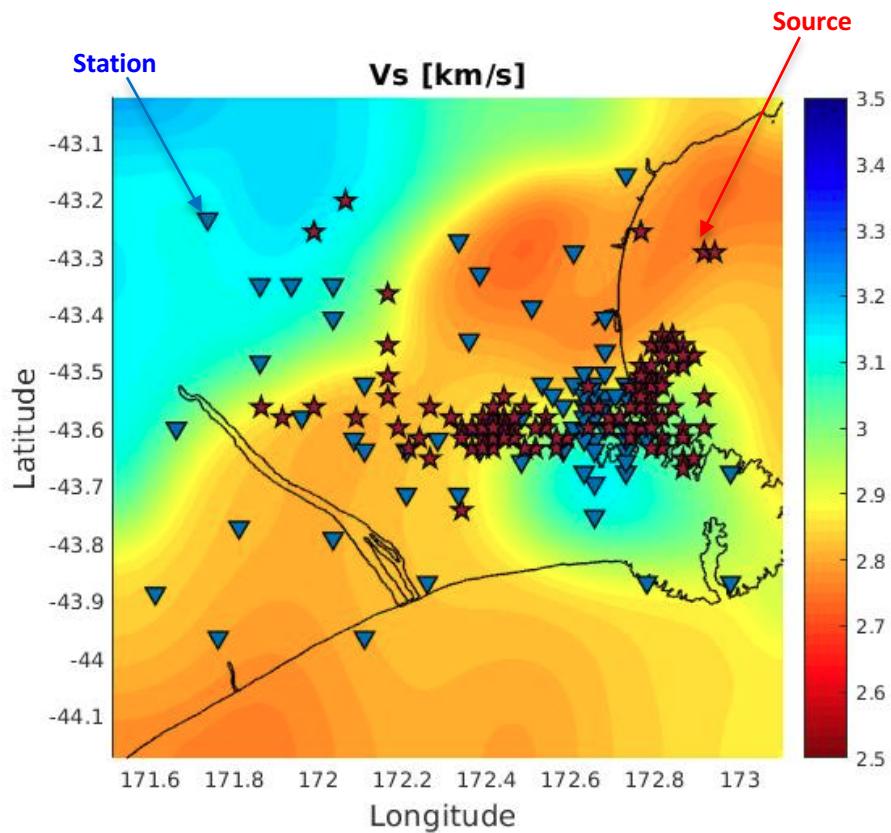


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Systematic effects from validation: Example - Canterbury region

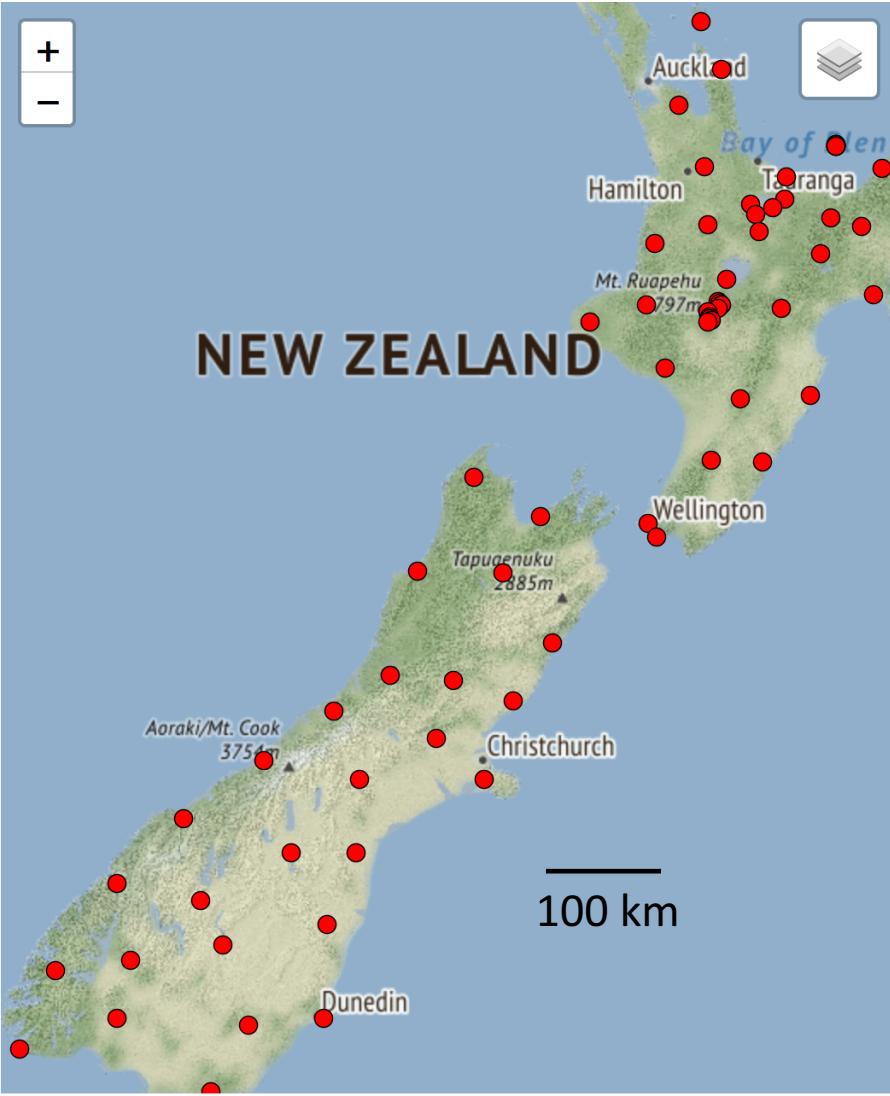


Full Waveform Tomography for velocity model in Canterbury region

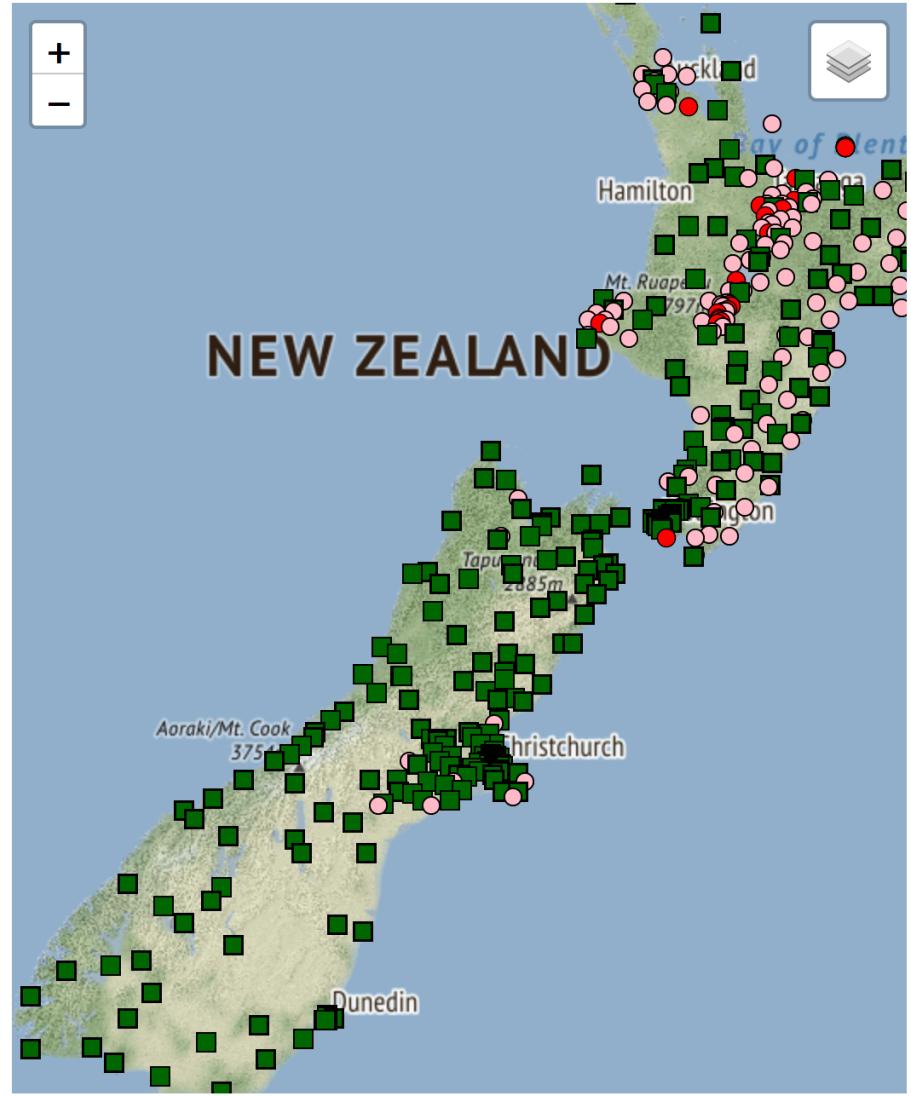


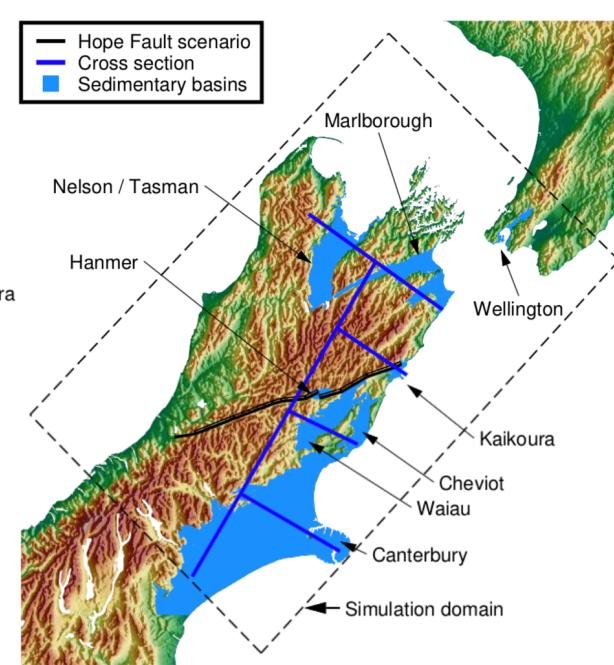
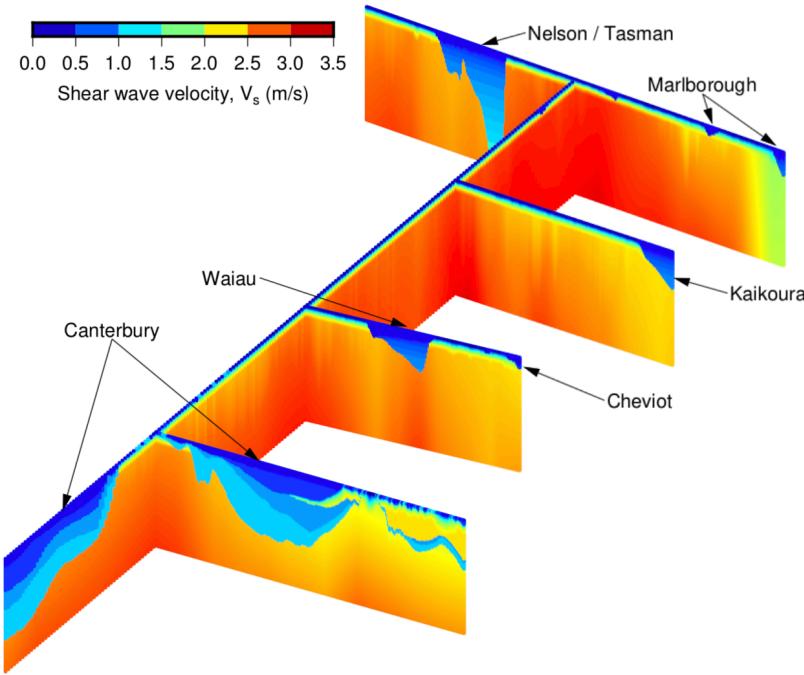
Full waveform tomography with non-ideal data

Broadband seismometers only



Additionally short period and strong motion instruments





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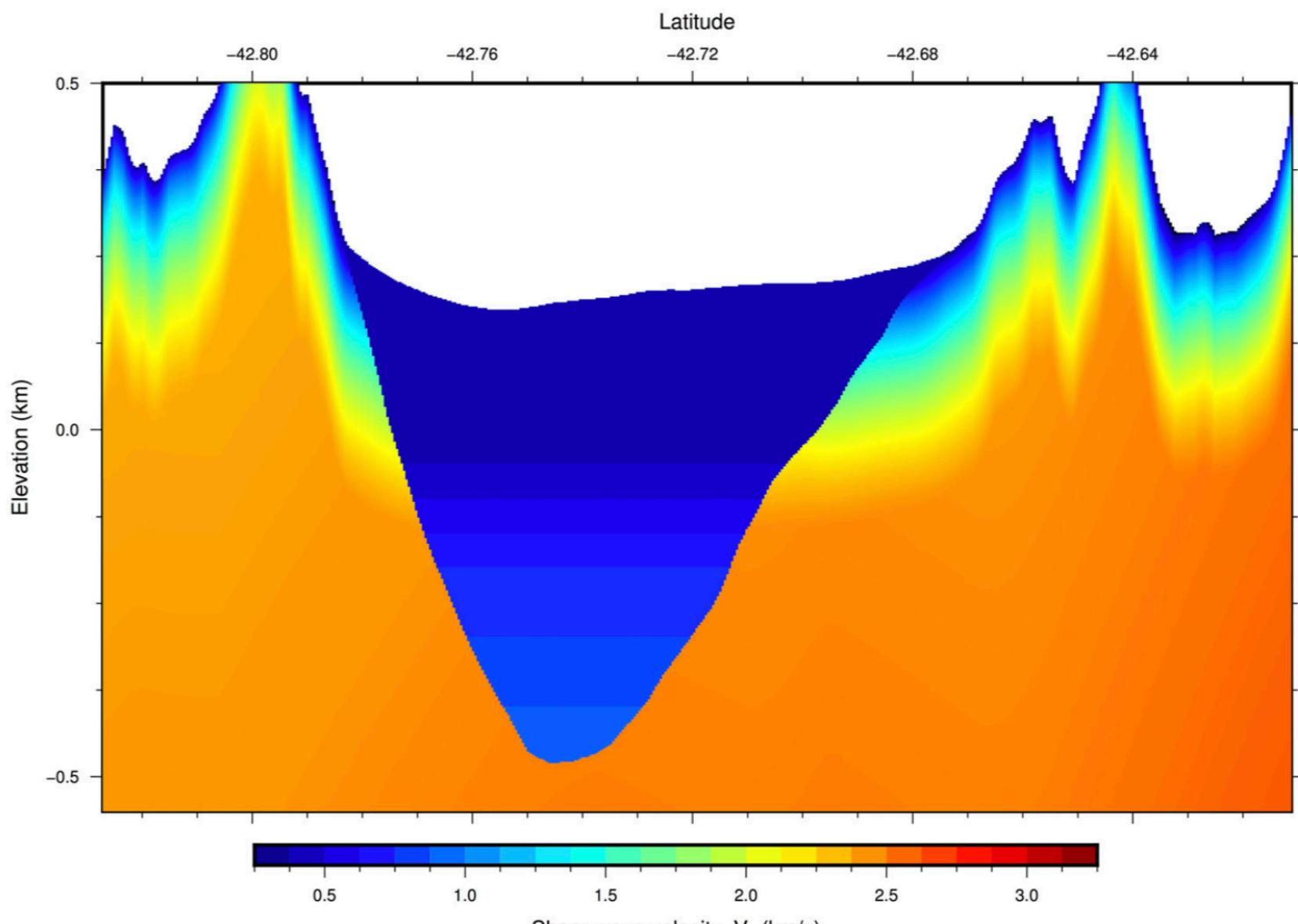
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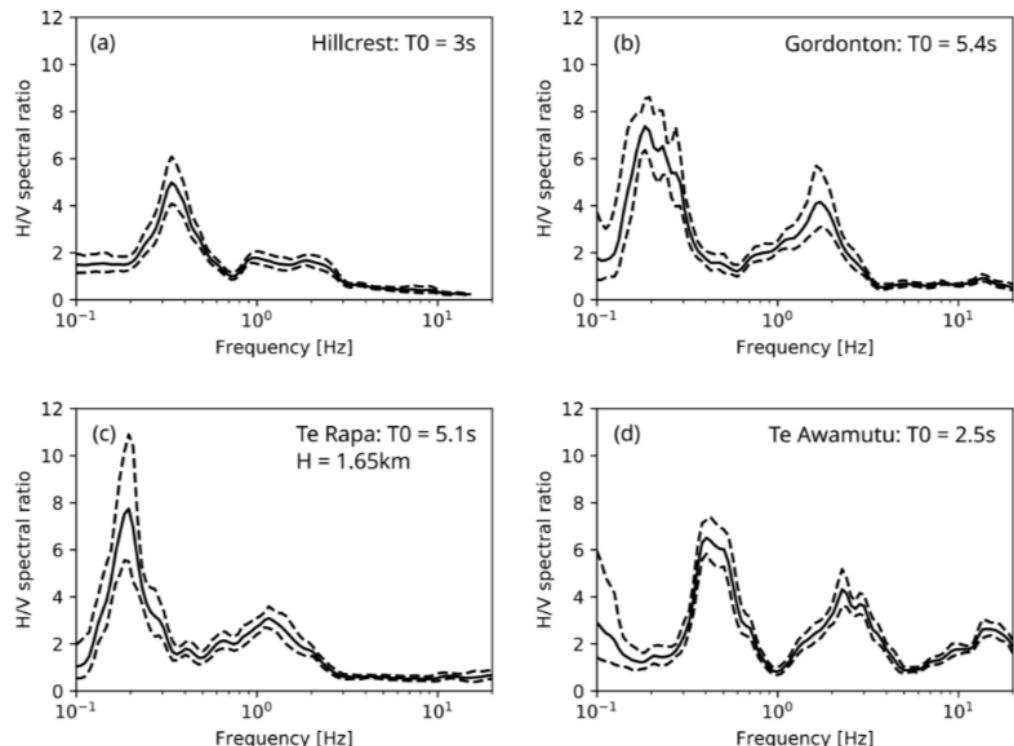
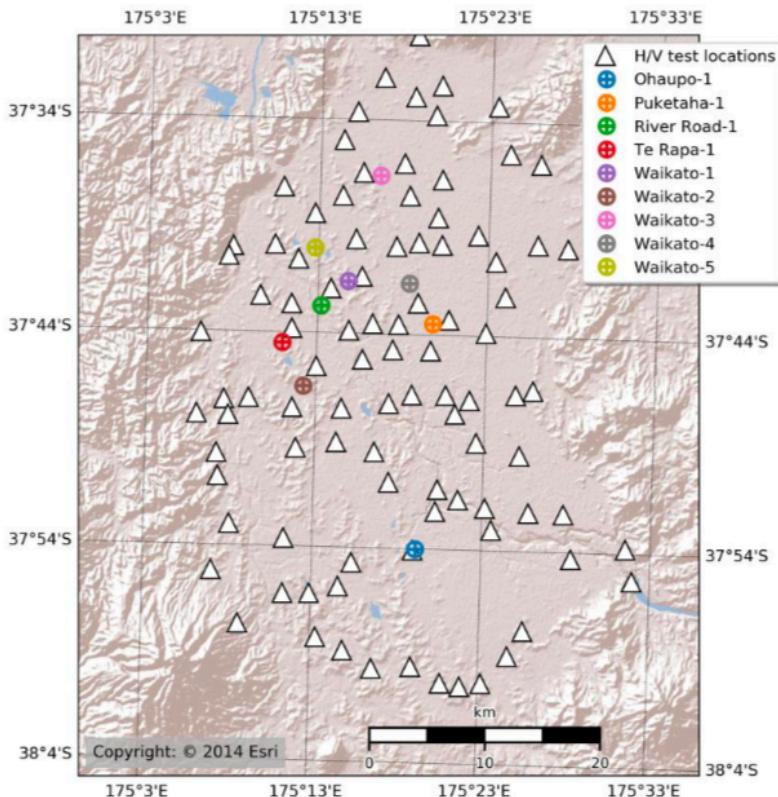
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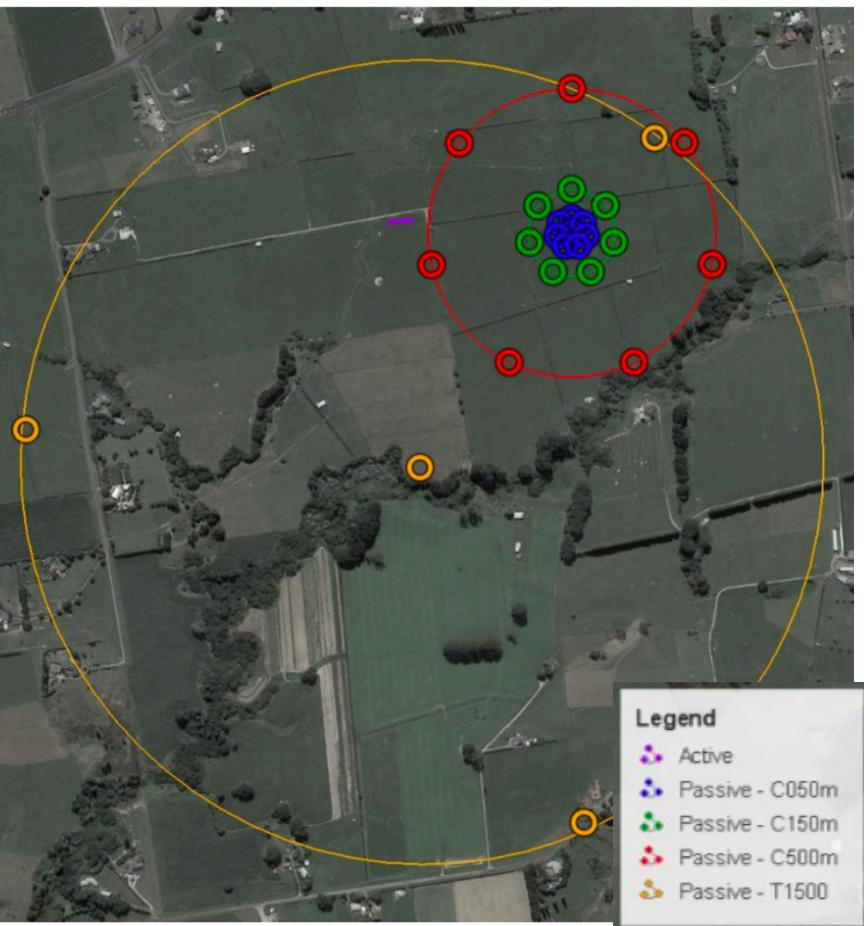
Example Type 1 basin



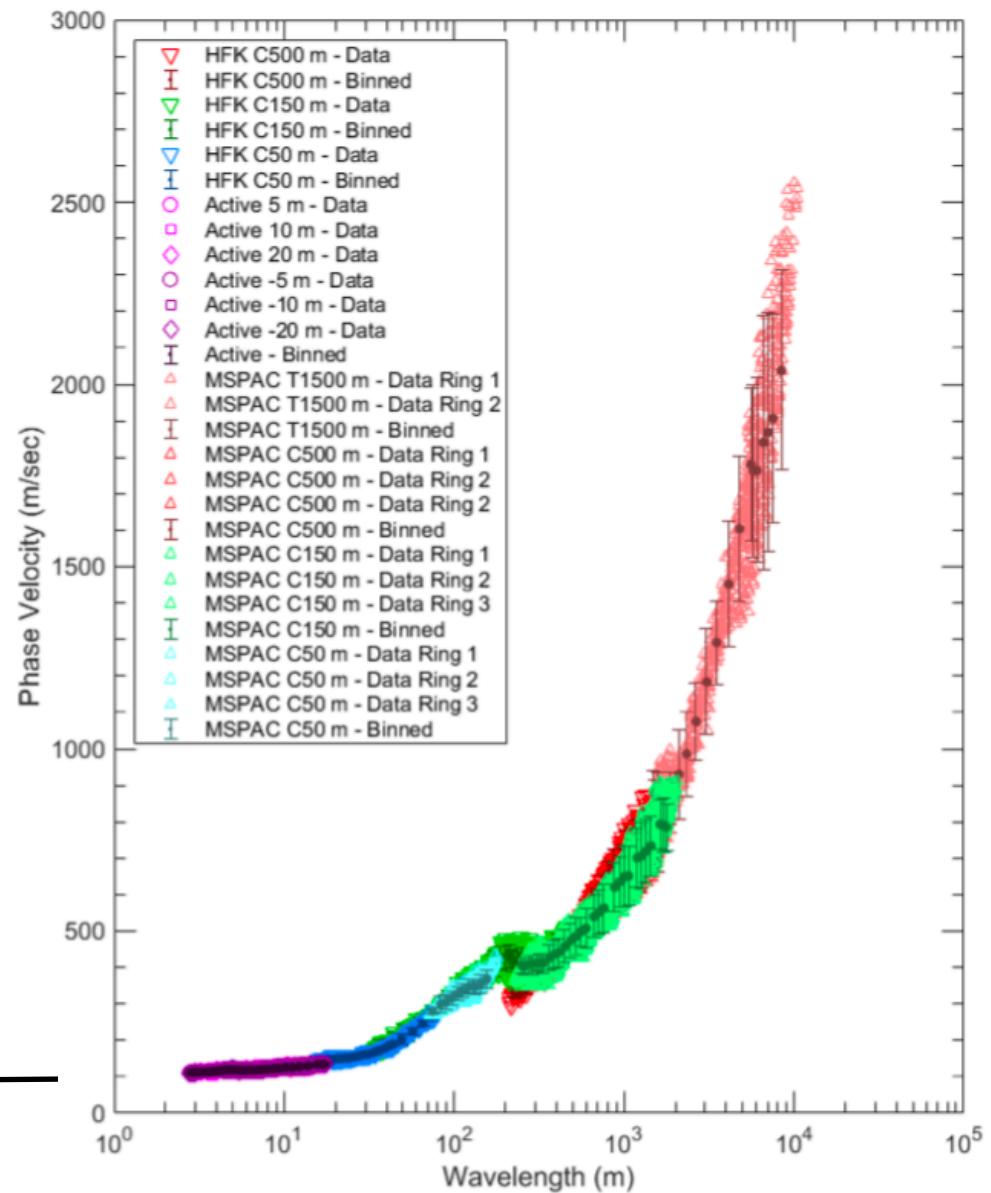
Example Type 2 - Basin depth from site period



Example Type 3 basin – velocity profile



Site-specific 1D
velocity profile from
geophysical data



Example Type 2 - Basin depth from site period

- Depths to the basement from the petroleum log data (Edbrooke *et al.*, 2009)
- A power-law relationship between H and f_0

