

# A WORLDWIDE AND UNIFIED DATABASE OF SURFACE RUPTURES (SURE) FOR FAULT DISPLACEMENT HAZARD ANALYSES

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## Why?

- Surface faulting is a threat for infrastructures, both on main/primary and distributed segments
- Fault Displacement Hazard Analysis is developing (mainly following Probabilistic Approach) for critical facilities
- Needs for reliable and robust databases (displacement attenuation, scaling laws, etc)

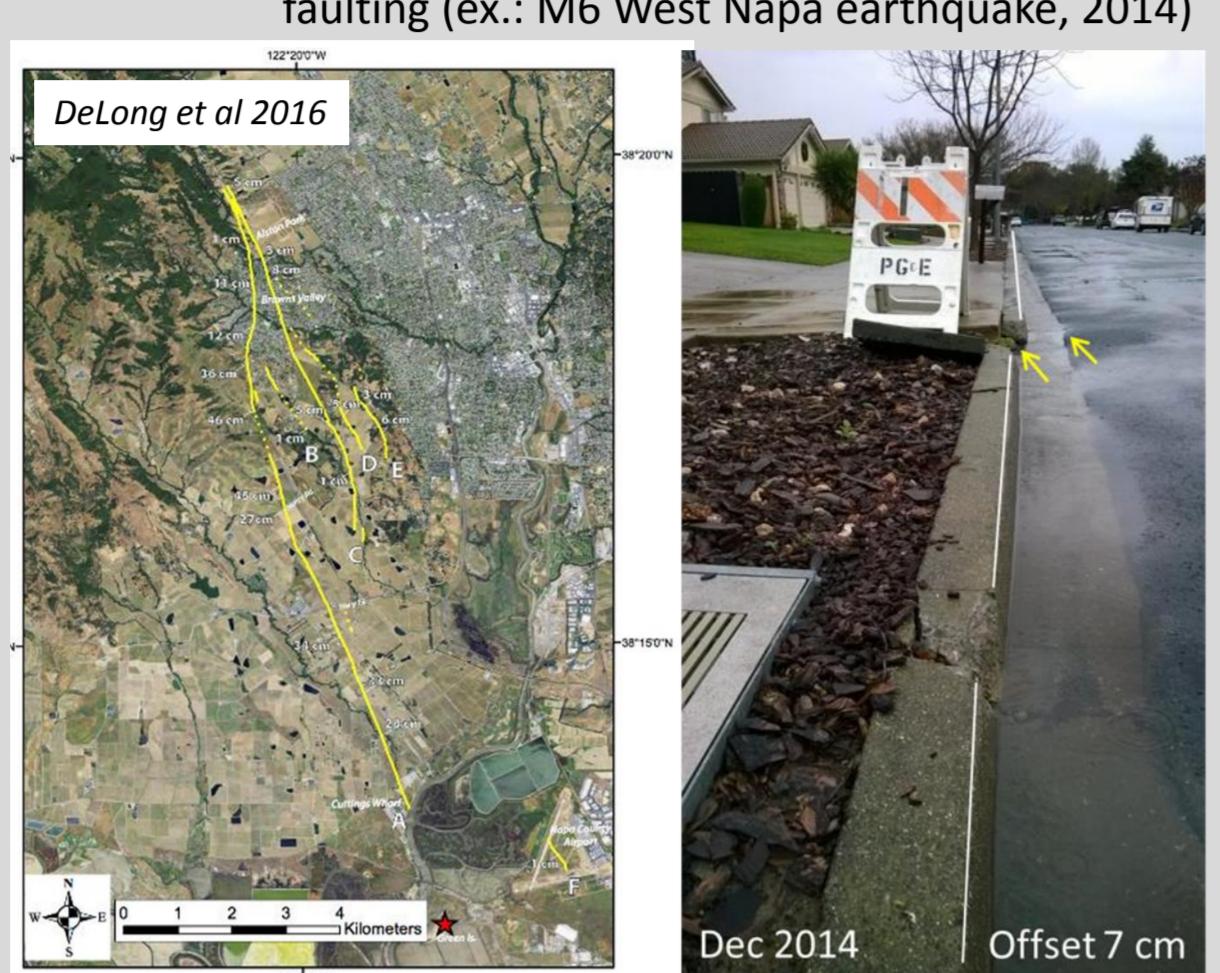
## Challenges



Evaluate the finite displacement the fault can produce

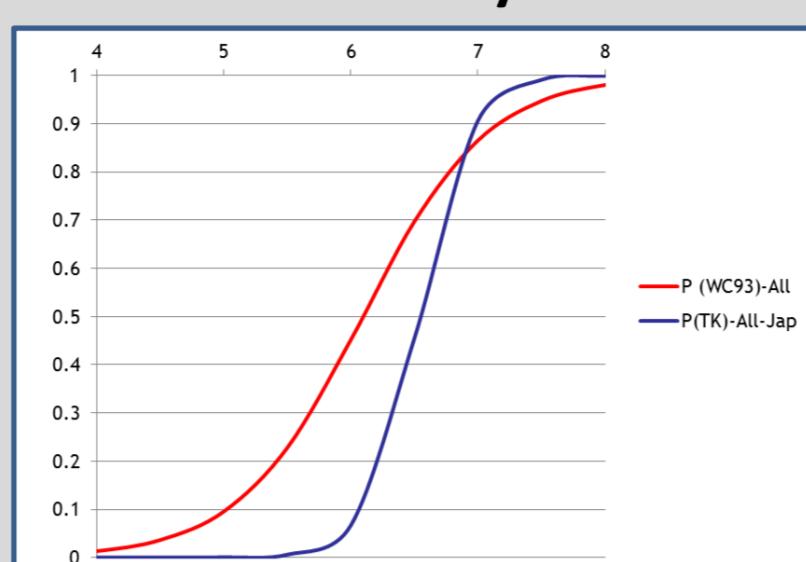
- Pipeline designed to withstand 20 feet of dextral offset
- 2002 M7.9 Denali earthquake rupture: 14 feet at that point

Moderate earthquakes can produce primary and distributed faulting (ex.: M6 West Napa earthquake, 2014)



Low slip-rate faults may require a Probabilistic analysis for critical facilities

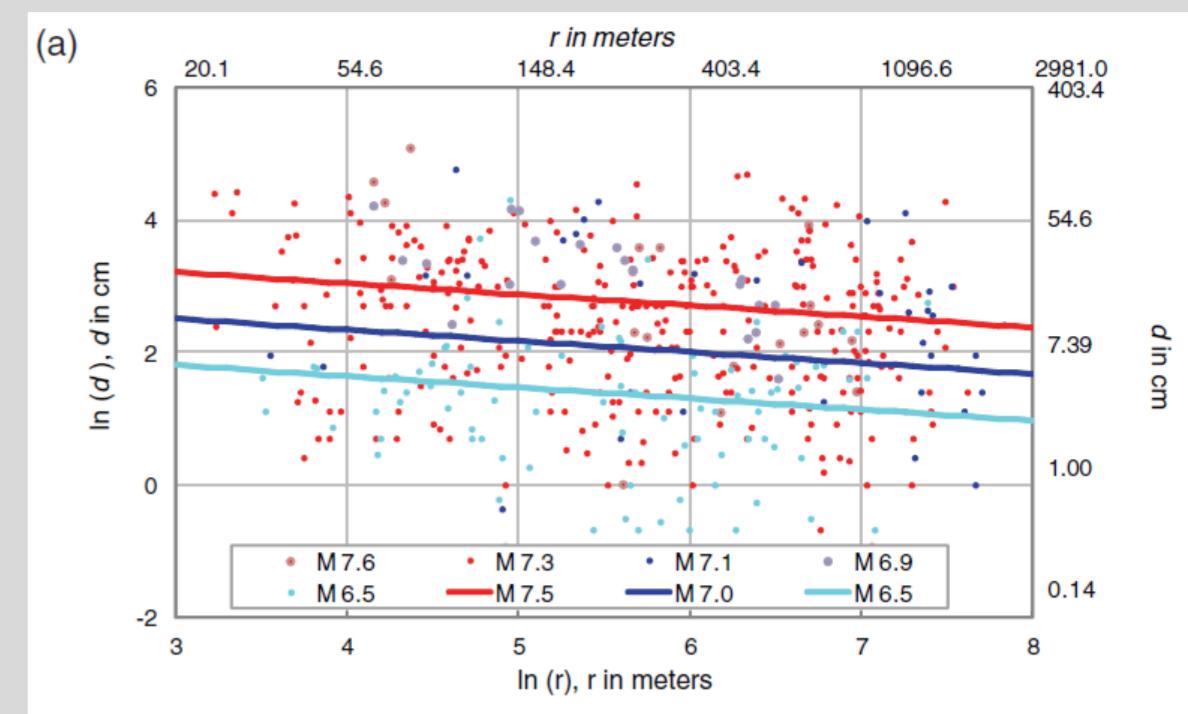
## Probability of Surface faulting



Could this probability difference be controlled by detection capacity of geologists?  
Recent techniques allow the recognition of coseismic features in many environments

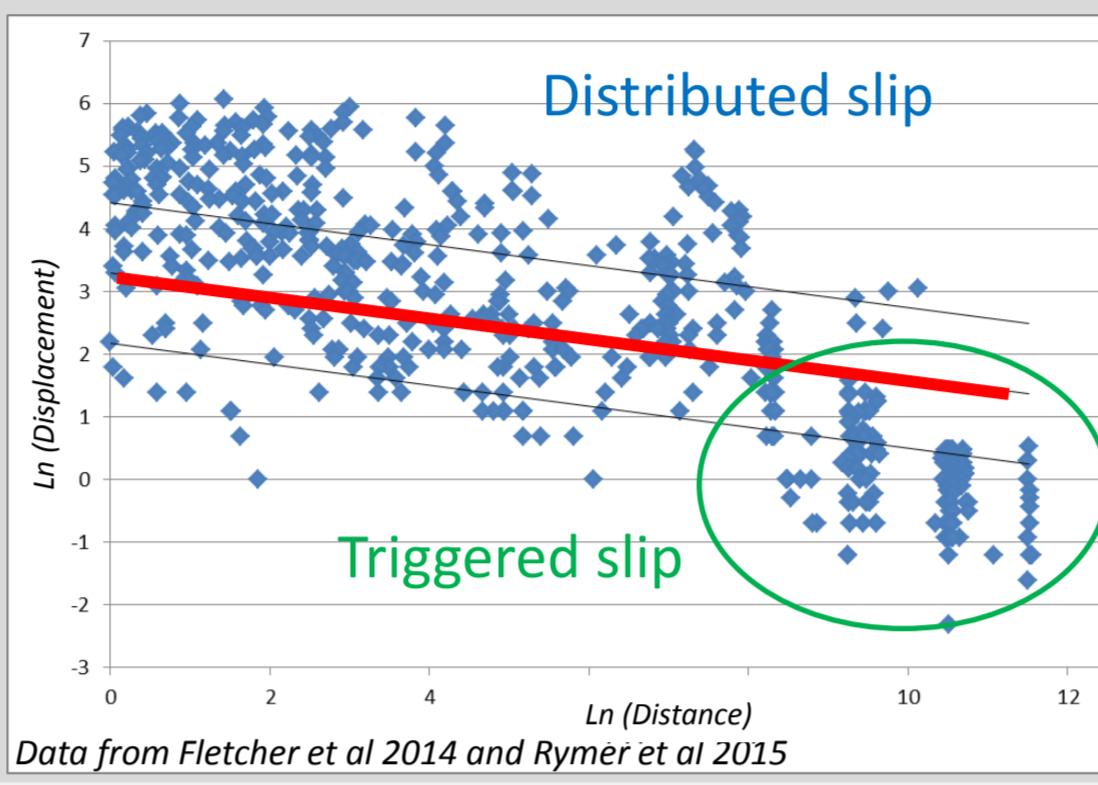
From Wells Coppersmith 1993  
And Takao et al. 2013

## Probability distribution of amount of slip vs distance (distributed rupture)



- Petersen et al (2011) compiled a series of data for 9 large strike-slip earthquake (M>6.5) and produced regressions for distributed rupture
- Note that regressions are extrapolated to low M in PFDHA (e.g. Diablo Canyon, Krsko NPPs)

## State-of-the-art



Prediction vs Observation for M7.2 El Mayor Cucapah event → Under-estimated mean (and uncertainty) value for distributed slip

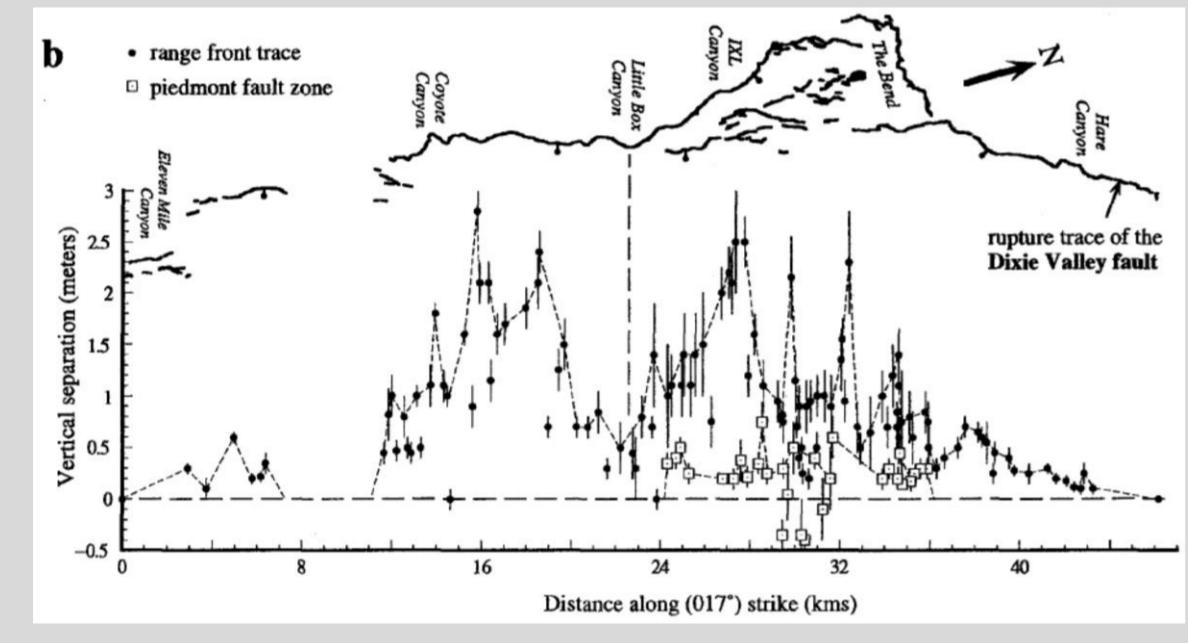
New database required - SURE

## How?

Current databases contain few cases, with limited magnitude range, limited parameters are considered

### 1. Unify the existing datasets

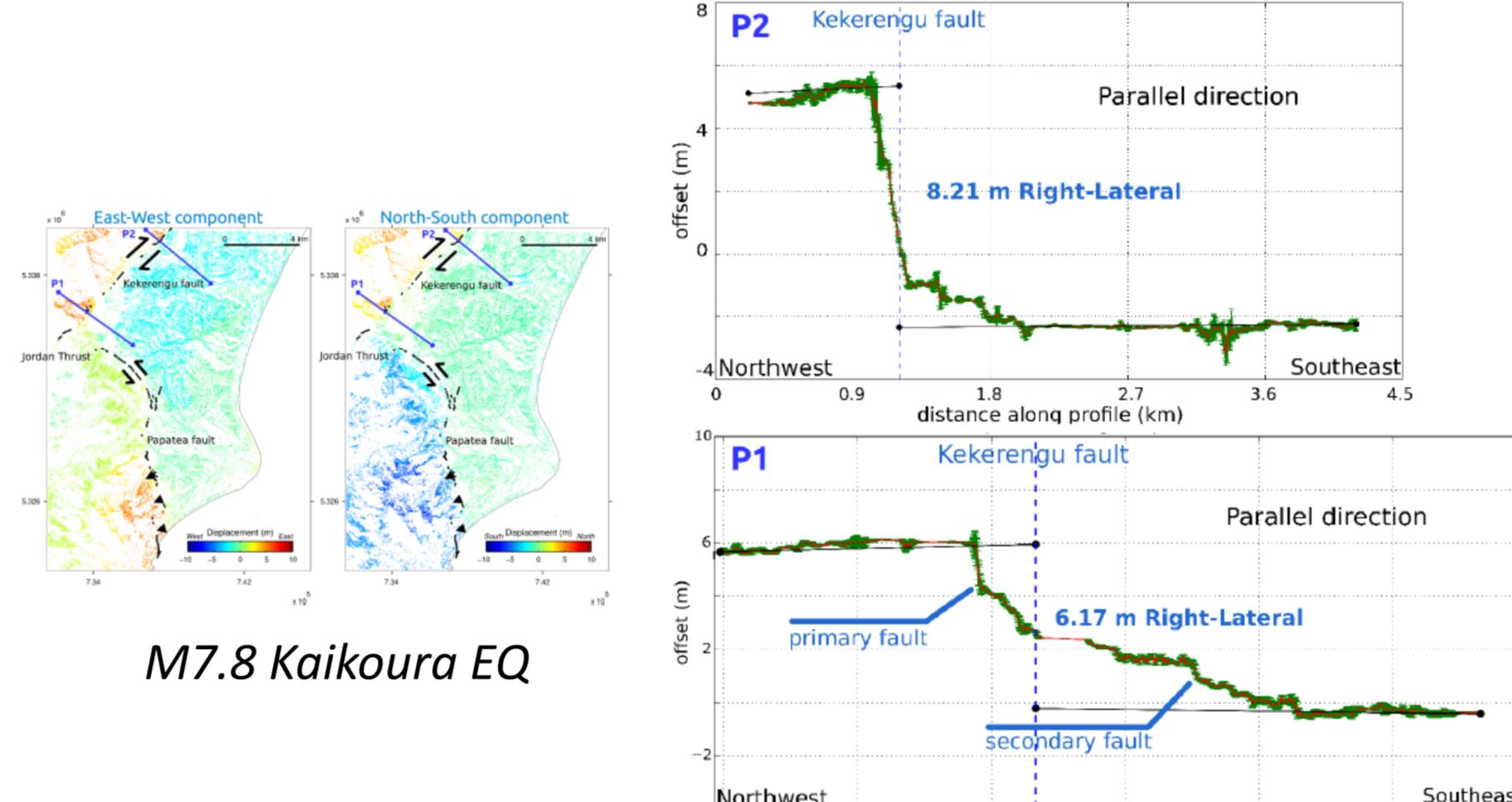
2. Increase the number of cases, the amount of data using modern techniques
3. Include relevant description parameters



### Structural complexity

- Ruptures of 1954 Dixie Valley (Caskey et al 1996)
- Note most distributed faults occur in fault bend, a stationary feature that will persist. Elsewhere distributed faults are rare

High resolution optical correlation to provide dense measurements



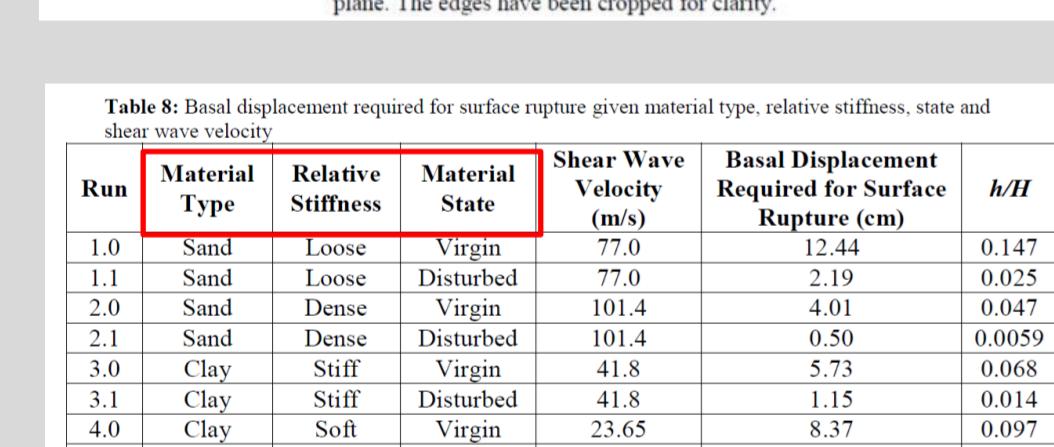
### Merging New & Old Cases

## New parameters



### Superficial Geology

Lithology, stiffness and deformation history control surface displacement

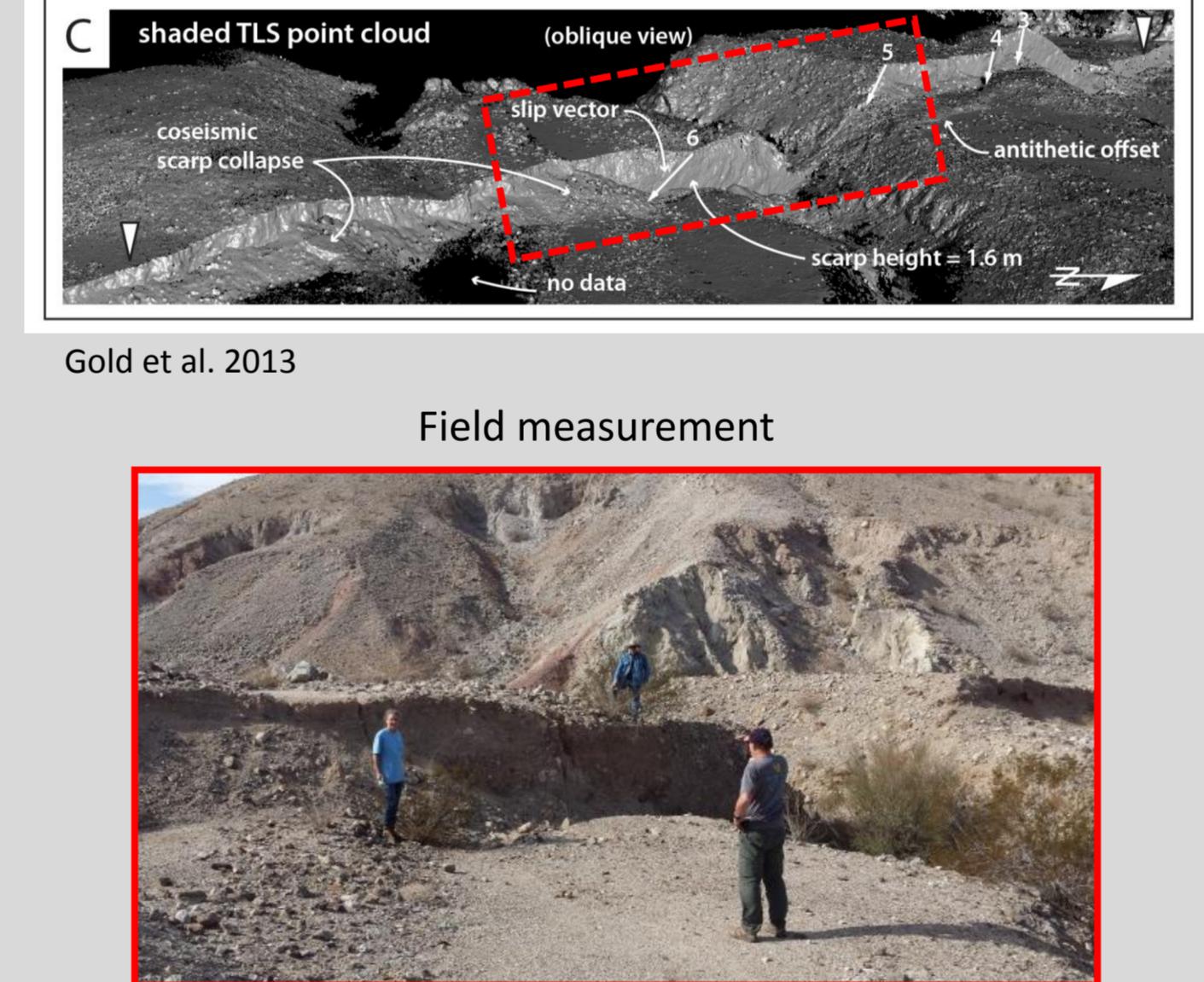


**M6.5 Norcia Earthquake, Italy**  
Surface rupture amplitude is diminished in the presence of alluvium



## Modern & Vintage data

Terrestrial LiDAR can yield huge datasets, with uncertainties (M7.2 El Mayor earthquake, Mex.)



## How it looks like...

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#### Structure of database

3 Flatfiles and related Shapefiles

#### Earthquake table

Field Name	Type
ID	integer
Magnitude	real
Depth	real
Focal mechanism reference	text
SRL from Geology	real
Reference	text
SRL from Geodesy	real
Reference	text
Deep Rupture length	real
Fault Width	real
Average displacement	real
reference	text
Sediment layer thickness	real
reference	text
Structural context	text
Inversion tectonics	text
Morphoclimatic context	text
Quality ranking	integer

#### Segment table

Field Name	Type	Required
ID	integer	yes
Magnitude	real	
Depth	real	
Focal mechanism reference	text	
SRL from Geology	real	
Reference	text	
SRL from Geodesy	real	
Reference	text	
Deep Rupture length	real	
Fault Width	real	
Average displacement	real	
reference	text	
Sediment layer thickness	real	
reference	text	
Structural context	text	
Inversion tectonics	text	
Morphoclimatic context	text	
Quality ranking	integer	

Fault section parameters

Primary vs Distributed

Field Name	Type	Required
ID	integer	yes
Map scale	real	
length	real	yes
strike (0-360°)	real	yes
mean dip	real	yes
fault tip dip	real	
fault-pattern complexity	text	
Observer/Author ranking	text	
Paleo-events	text	
Slip rate	real	
Compiler section	text	yes
Origin	text	yes
Compiler ranking	text	yes
Quality ranking	text	

Basic info

Displacement and errors

Observation table

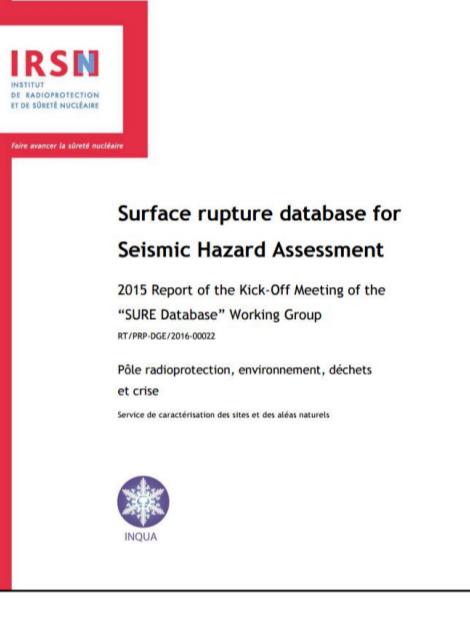
45 cases;  
40,000 segments;  
15,000 obs.

## With whom?

### PATA Days



### Fault Displacement Hazards Analysis Workshop



### Pending TECDOC

### Consultancy Meeting of Working Group 1.3 "Fault Displacement Hazard Assessment"

### IRSN-IPGP & IRSN-U.Chiavi collaborations



IRSN/IPGP & IRSN/UdA funded projects (ECR, PhD) to enrich dataset and improve methodology

→ See Fiia Nurminen's contribution

### FDH Initiative <https://www.risksciences.ucla.edu/nhr3/projects/fdh/>

Towards A New Model Database for Next-Generation FDHA, a flexible and relational database that can accommodate both vintage data and newer datasets



ID#	YYYY	M	DD	Name	Region	Mw	Longitude	Latitude	Depth	FM
18720326	1872	03	26	Owens Lake	USA	7.45	-118.1	36.65	SS	
18870503	1887	05	03	Sonora	Mexico	7.0	-109.25	30.8	N	
18911028	1891	10	28	Nobi	Japan	7.4	136.56	35.36	SS	
18906831	1890	08	31	Rikuu	Japan	6.7	140.07	39.5	10	R
19011024	1901	10	01	Chon-Kenai	Kaz./Kyr.	7.7	-178.93	43.03	20	R
19015003	1901	03	03	North Park Valley	USA	6.8	-110.54	40.28	10	N
19181111	1918	11	11	Onchi	Japan	6.4	137.3	36.1	15	
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19301125	1930	11	25	North Izu	Japan	6.9	139.598	35.0407	15	SS
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19541217	1954	12	16	Dixie Valley	USA	6.6	-117.704	39.2075	15	N
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19590818	1959	08	18	Hebogen Lake	USA					