

Abnormal intensities distributions in subduction zone

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Normal intensities distribution

smaller

Larger

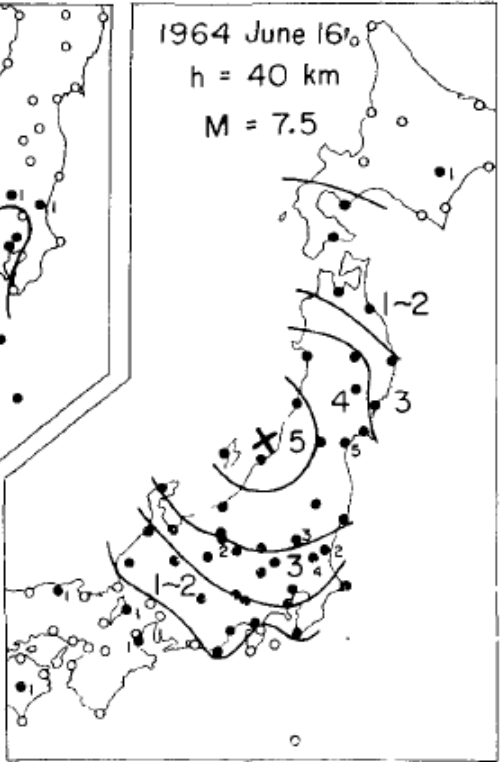
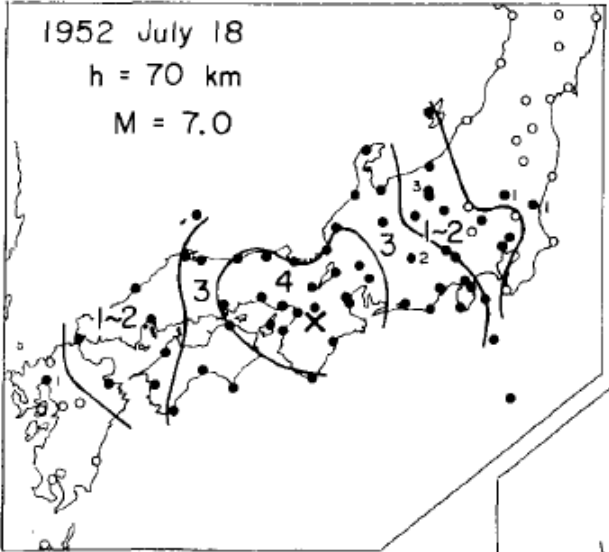


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Some conclusions

- 1. The zone where abnormal high intensities are observed extends on the Pacific side.

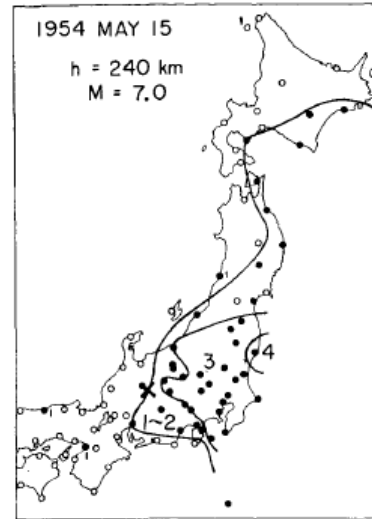


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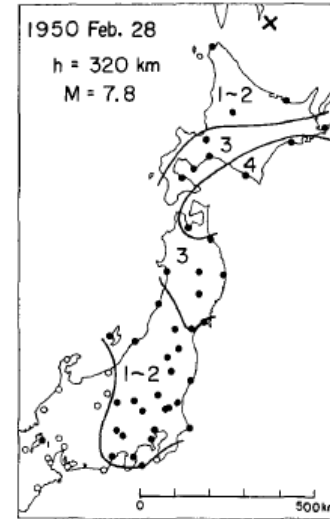


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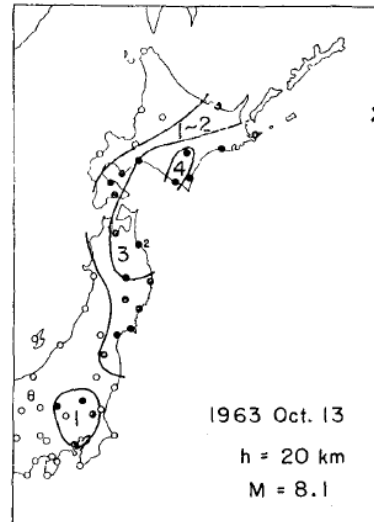


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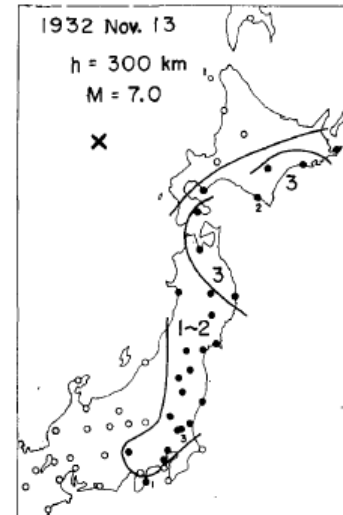


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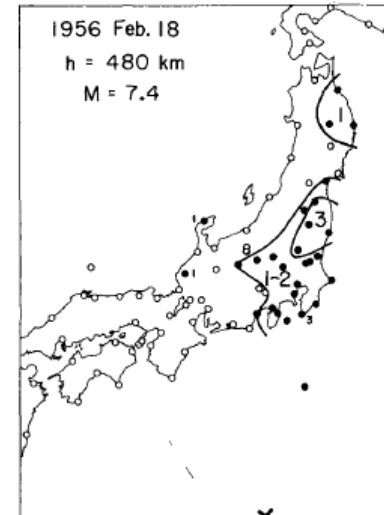


Fig. 4.

Distributions of seismic intensities. x: epicenter.

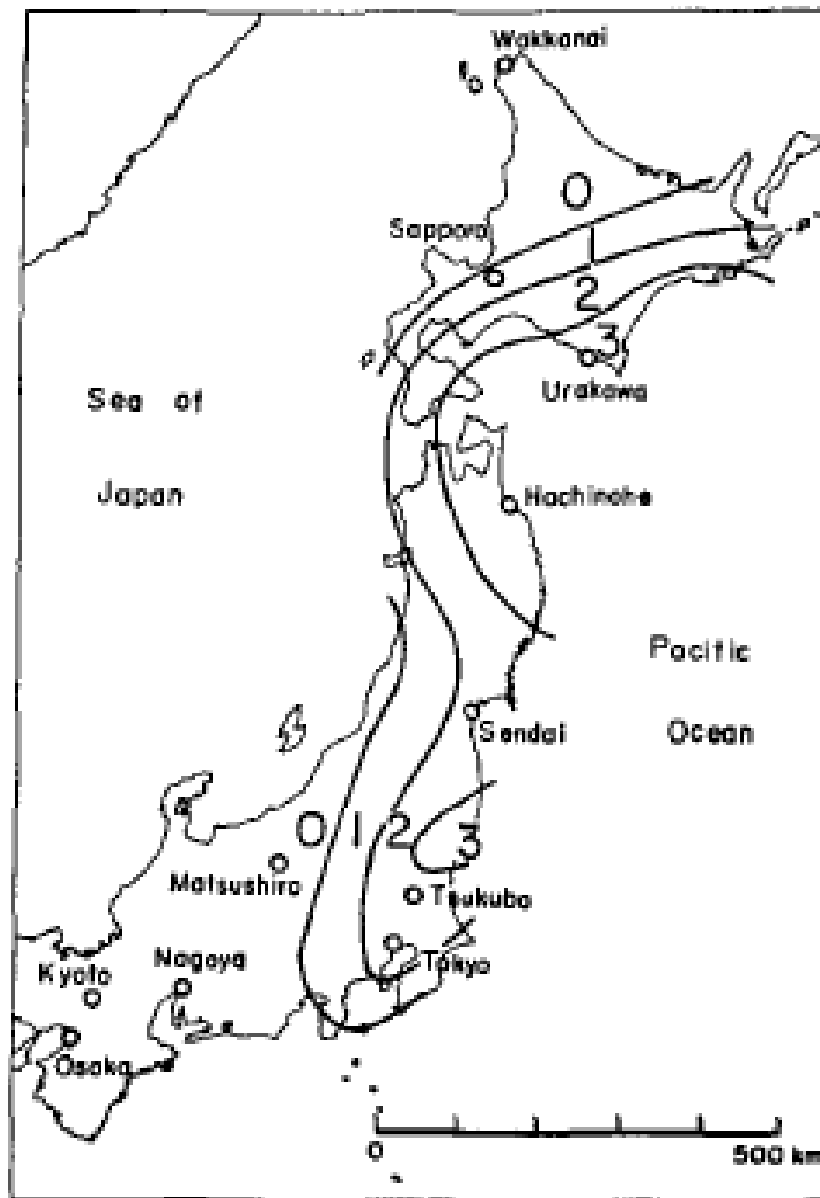


Fig. 6. Map showing the average intensity anomalies.

Some conclusions

- 2. The records in the anomalies zone contain high frequency waves .
- 3. The anomalous zone seems to have some connection with some geophysical phenomena, for example island arc, trench ,earthquakes foci, volcanoes , gravity anomalies , etc .

Two explanation

- 1. Multiple reflections in thin layers having low velocity and density.
- 2. Absorption of seismic waves in the crust or upper mantle varies regionally

- i. There are no common differences in ground conditions between stations inside and outside the anomalous zone.

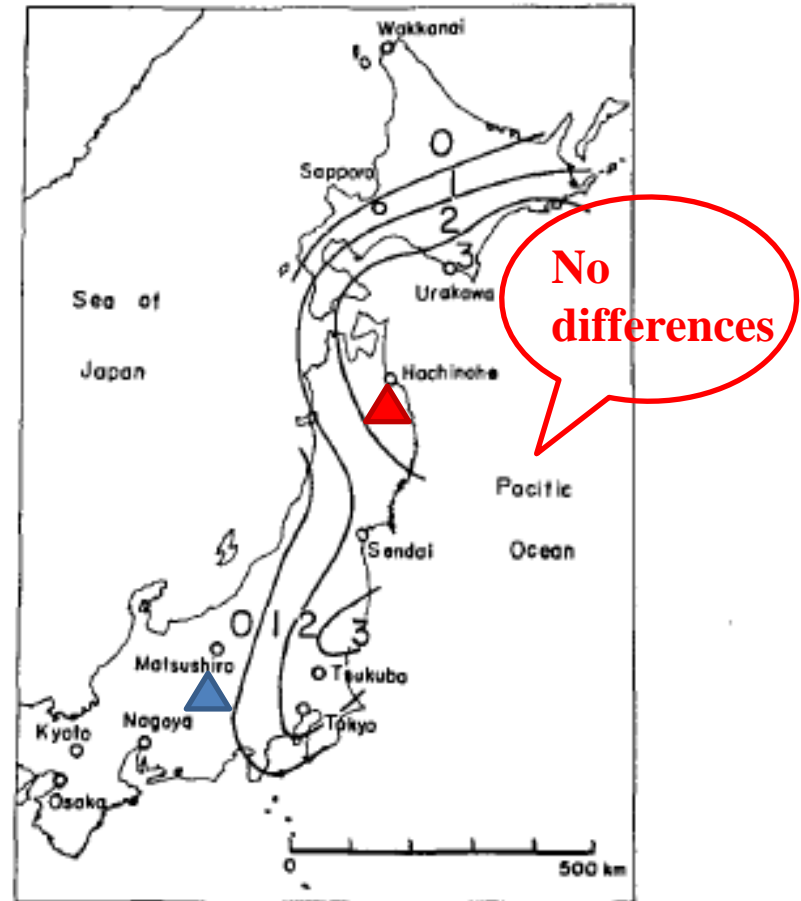
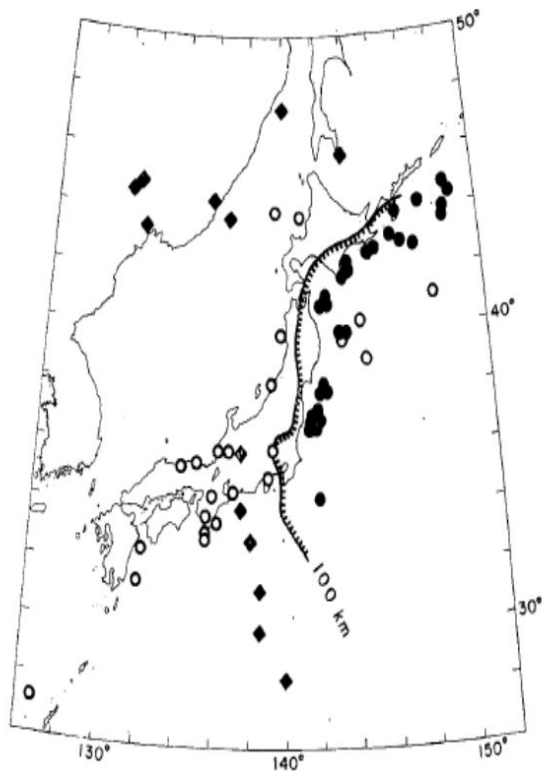


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- ii. The geophysical phenomena which have some connection with anomalous zone are believed to be related to the structure of the crust and upper mantle.
- iii. The observation indicate strong azimuthal effects.



Two explanation

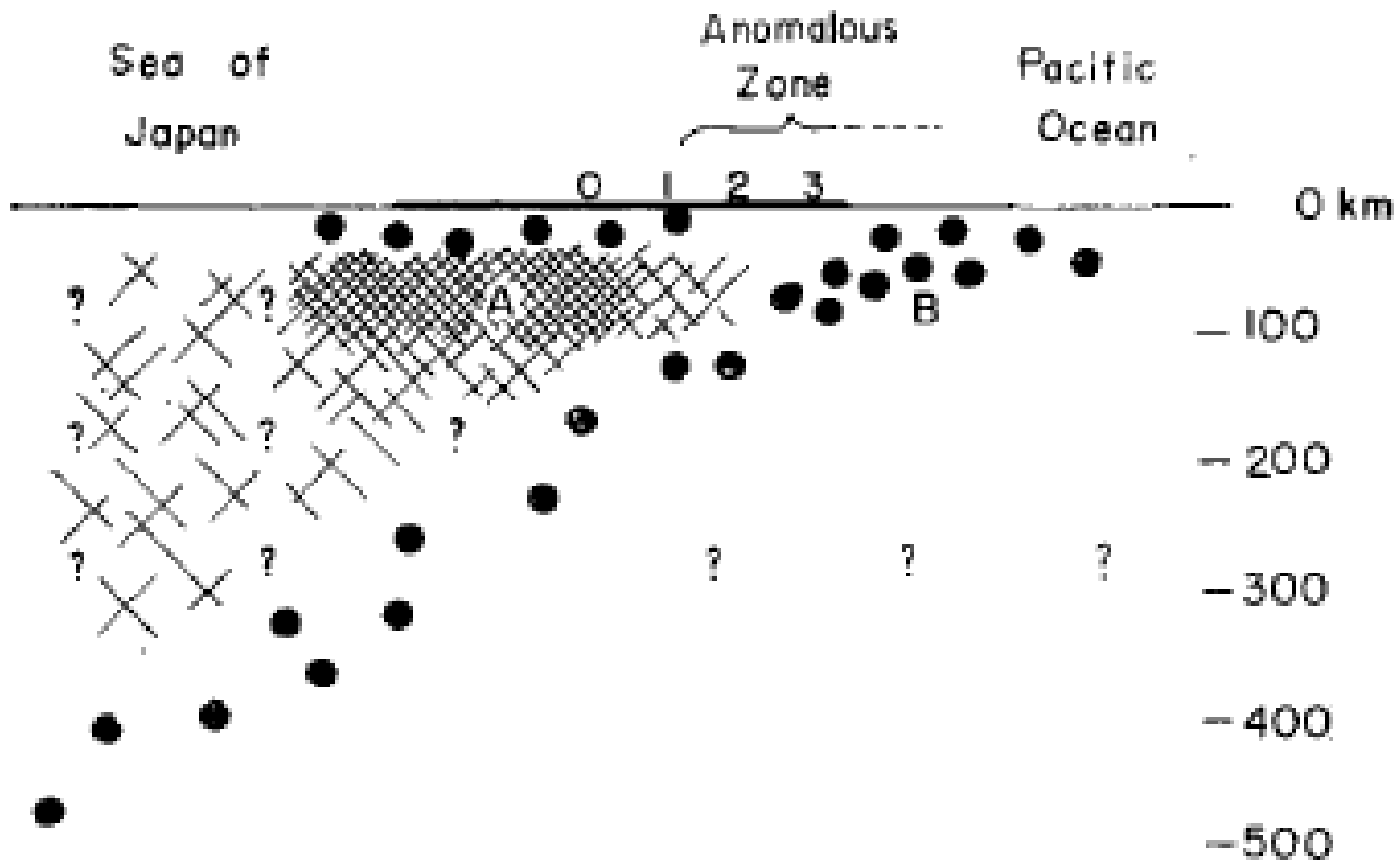
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(Katsumata, M. 1958)

There is a high absorption layer in the upper mantle at depths between 100~200km

(Wadati, K. and Hirono, T. 1956)

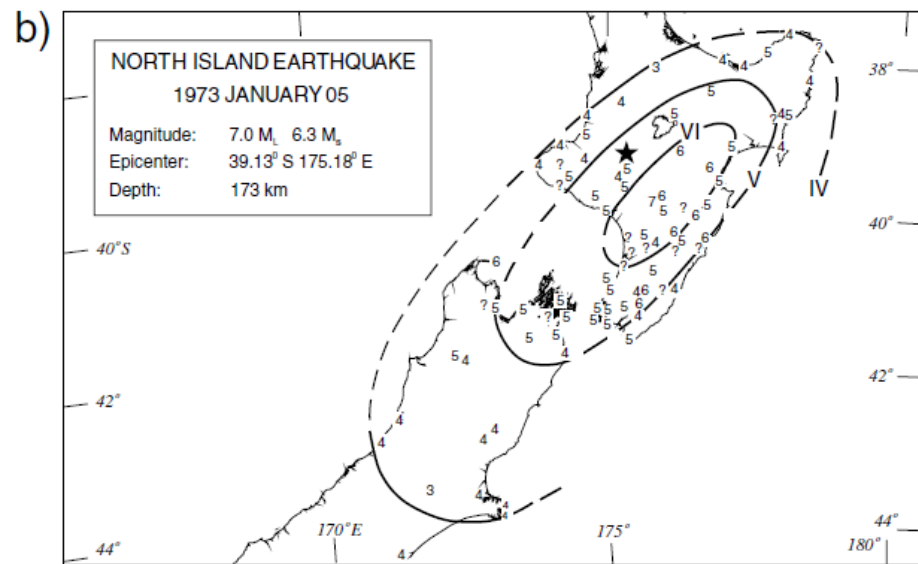
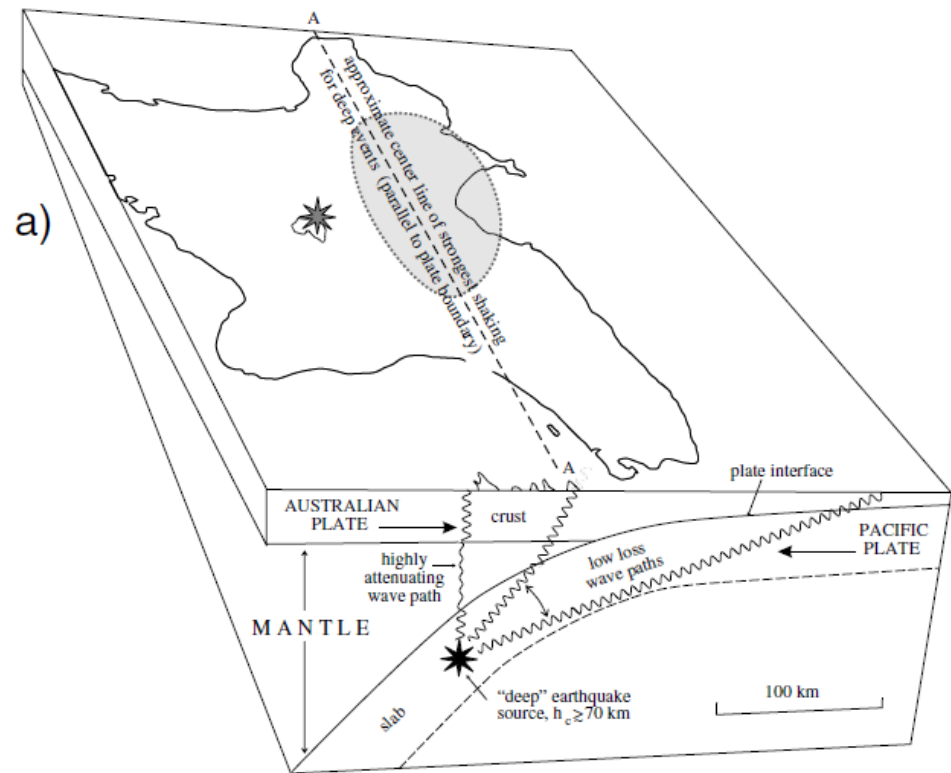
Increased absorption was found near the surface and at depths of around 100km



Summary

- The abnormal intensity is caused by high absorption zone in the upper mantle

New Zealand



Method

Standard Response Spectral Model (McVerry et al 2000)

Model for Crustal earthquakes at weak rock sites (Abrahamson and Silva 1997)

$$\ln SA(T)_{\text{standardNZcrustal}} = C_1(T) + C_{4AS}(M - 6) + C_{3AS}(T)(8.5 - M)^2 + C_5(T)r + (C_8(T) + C_{6AS}(M - 6)) \ln(r^2 + C_{10AS}^2(T))^{1/2} + C_{46}(T)r_{vol}$$

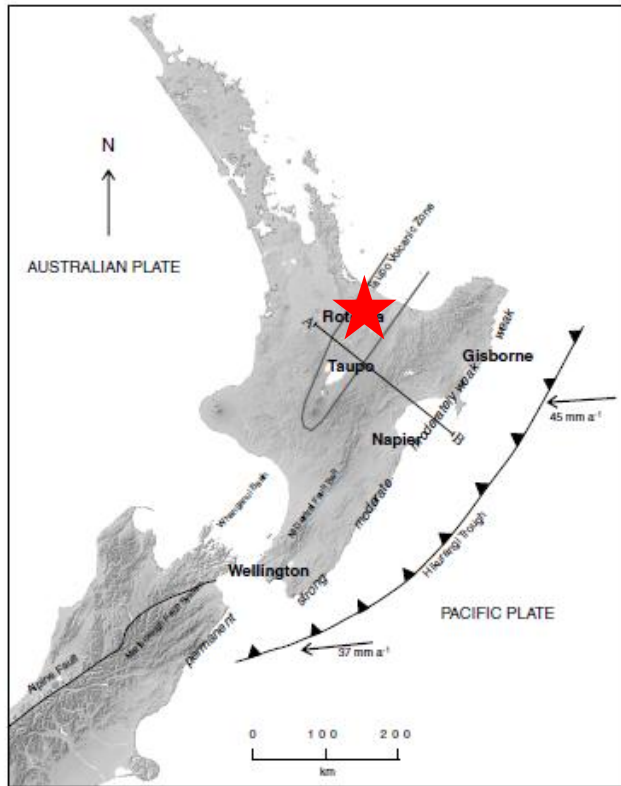
Model for Subduction-zone earthquakes at weak rock sites (Youngs et al 1997)

$$\ln SA(T)_{\text{standardNZsubductionzone}} = C_{11}(T) + C_{12}(T)(M - 6) + C_{13Y}(T)(10 - M)^3 + C_{17}(T) \ln(r + C_{18Y}e^{C_{19Y}M}) + C_{20}(T)H_{C20} + C_{24}(T)SI + C_{46}(T)r_{vol}(1 - DS)$$
$$C_{12}(T) + C_{17}(T)C_{19Y} = C_{12Y} + C_{17Y}(T)C_{19Y}$$

Method

$$A(f) = 2\pi f \Omega_0 * \frac{f_c^2}{(f_c^2 + f^2)} * e^{-\pi f t^*} \quad \text{Scherbaum, 1990}$$

$$t^* = \int_{\text{raypath}} \frac{1}{(Q(s) * V(s))} ds$$



Magnitude 4.7 under Rotorua

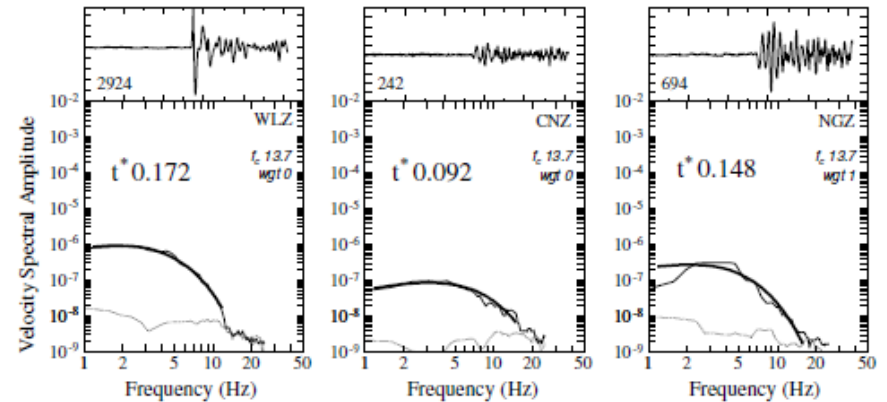
Hc= 180 km

TVZ Stations

WLZ, R= 50km

CNZ, R= 147km

NGZ, R= 143km

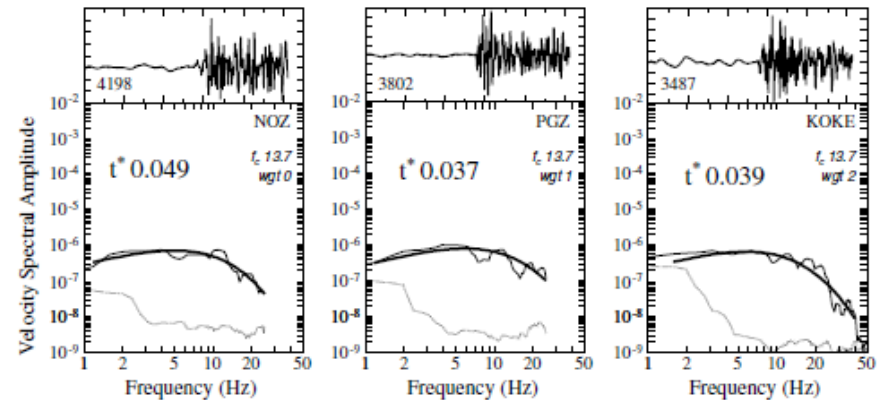


Eastern Stations

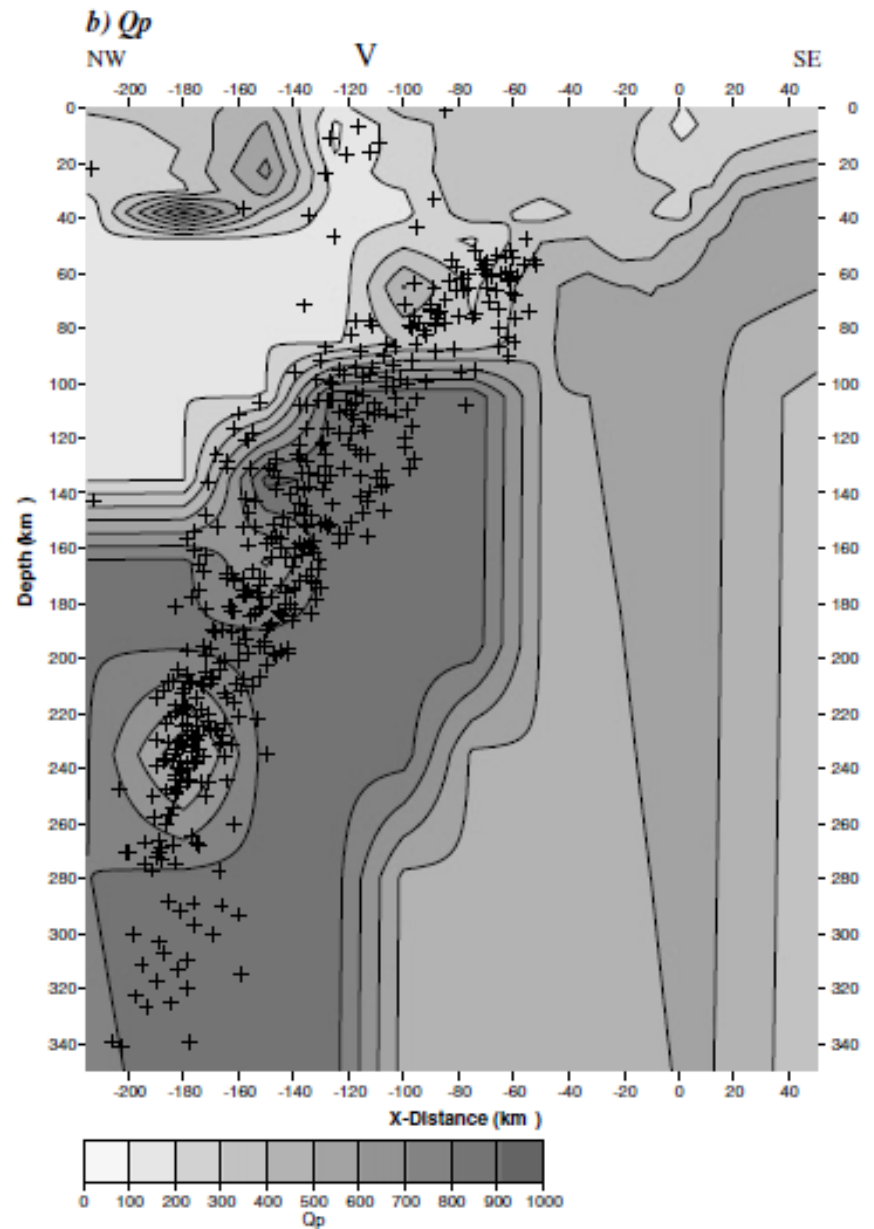
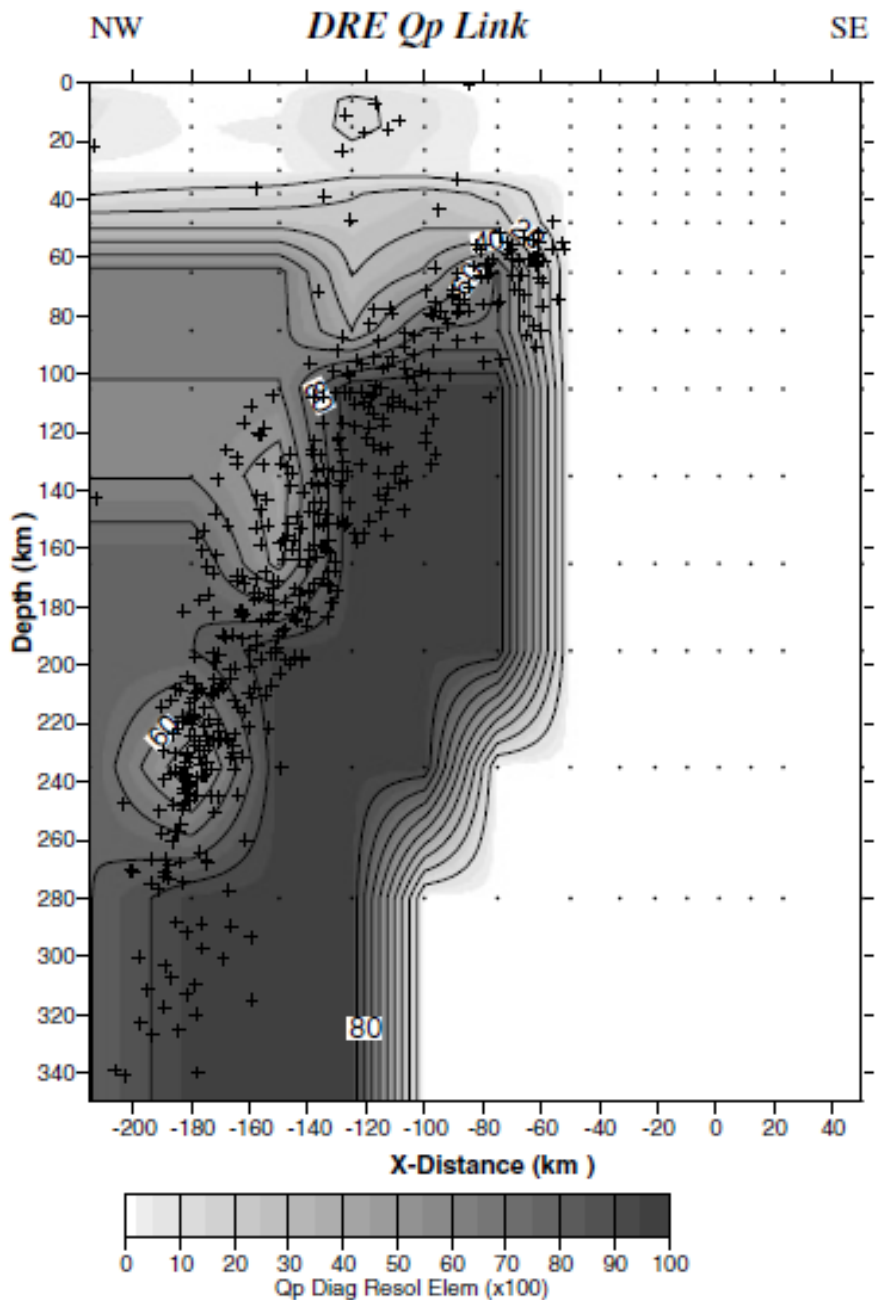
NOZ, R= 181km

PGZ, R= 295km

KOKE, R= 178km



Method

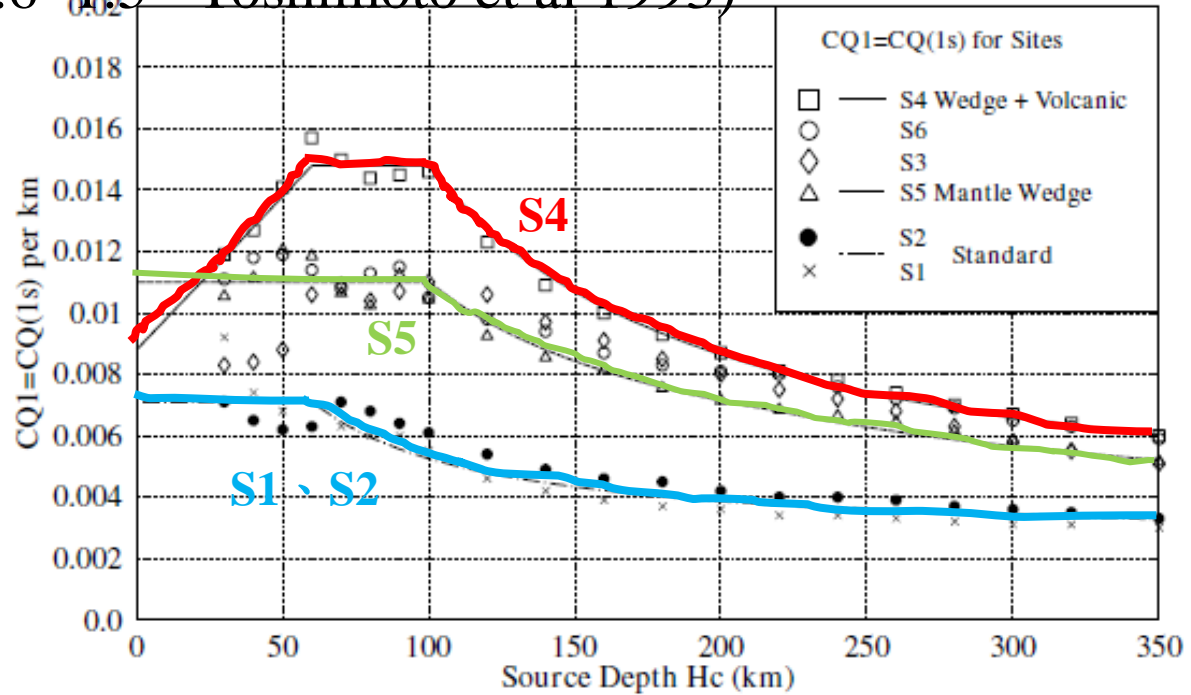
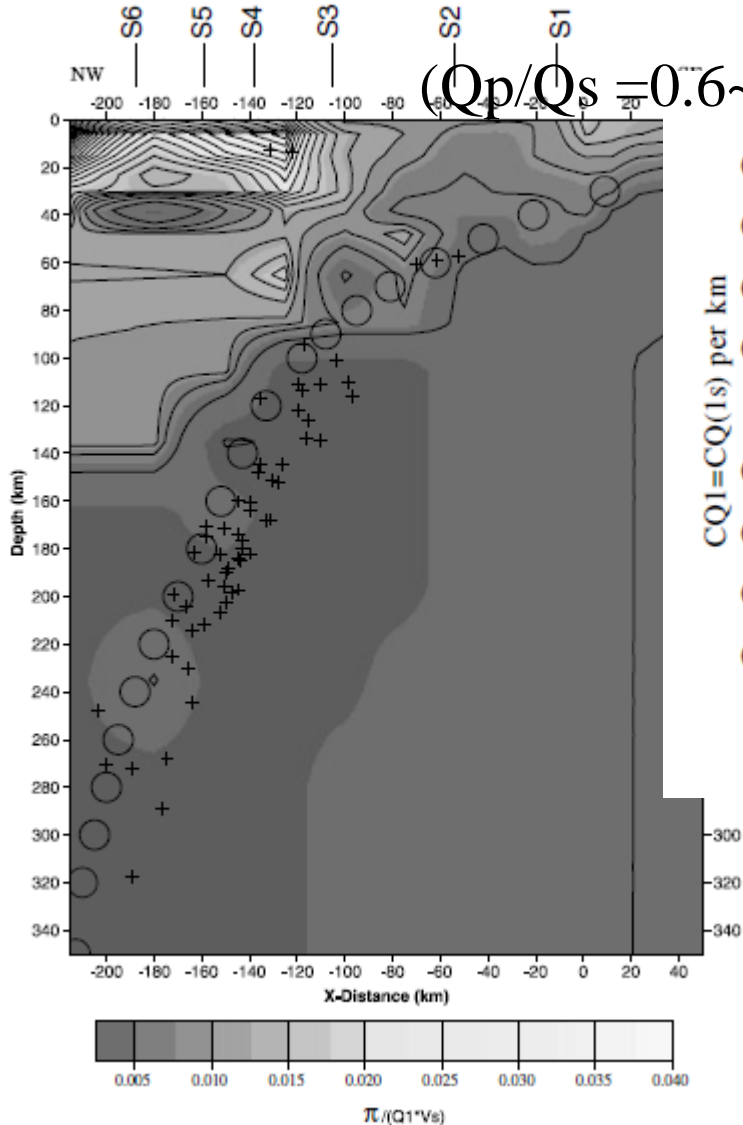


Method

$$\ln SA(T) = \{\text{standard model}\} - CQ(T, H_c)r$$

Local Attenuation Rate at 1 Hz

$(Q_p/Q_s = 0.6 \sim 1.5$ Yoshimoto et al 1993)



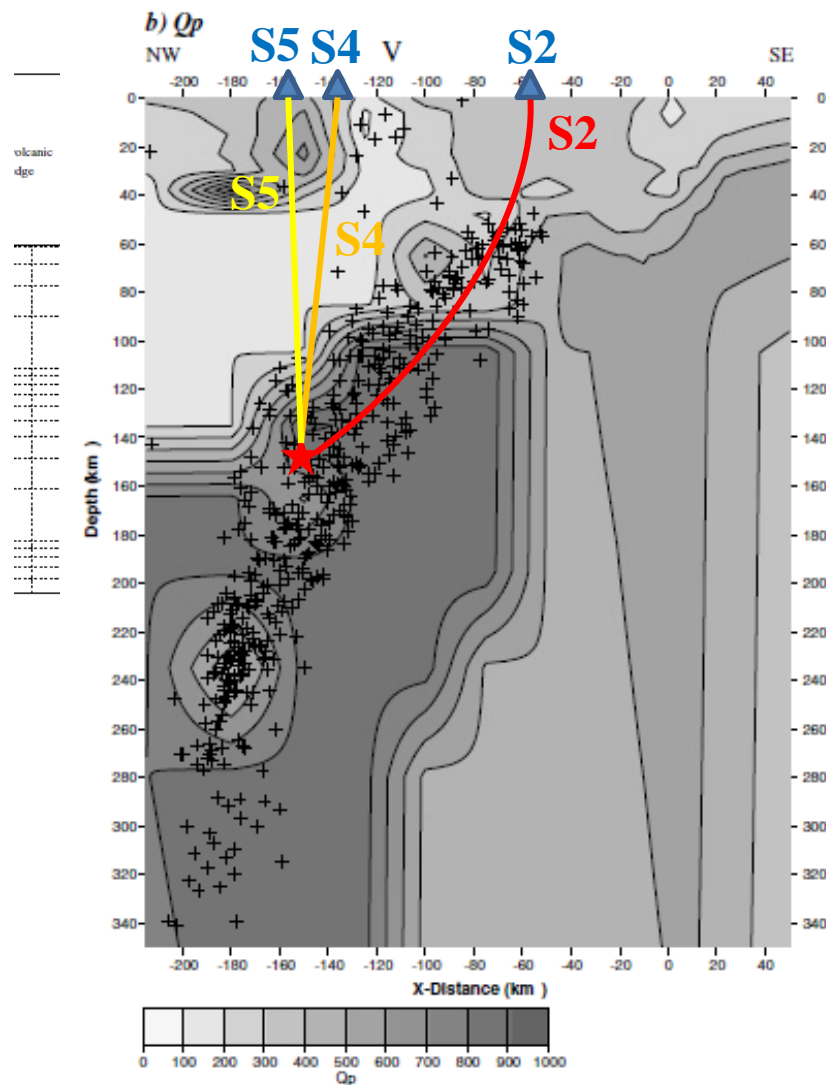
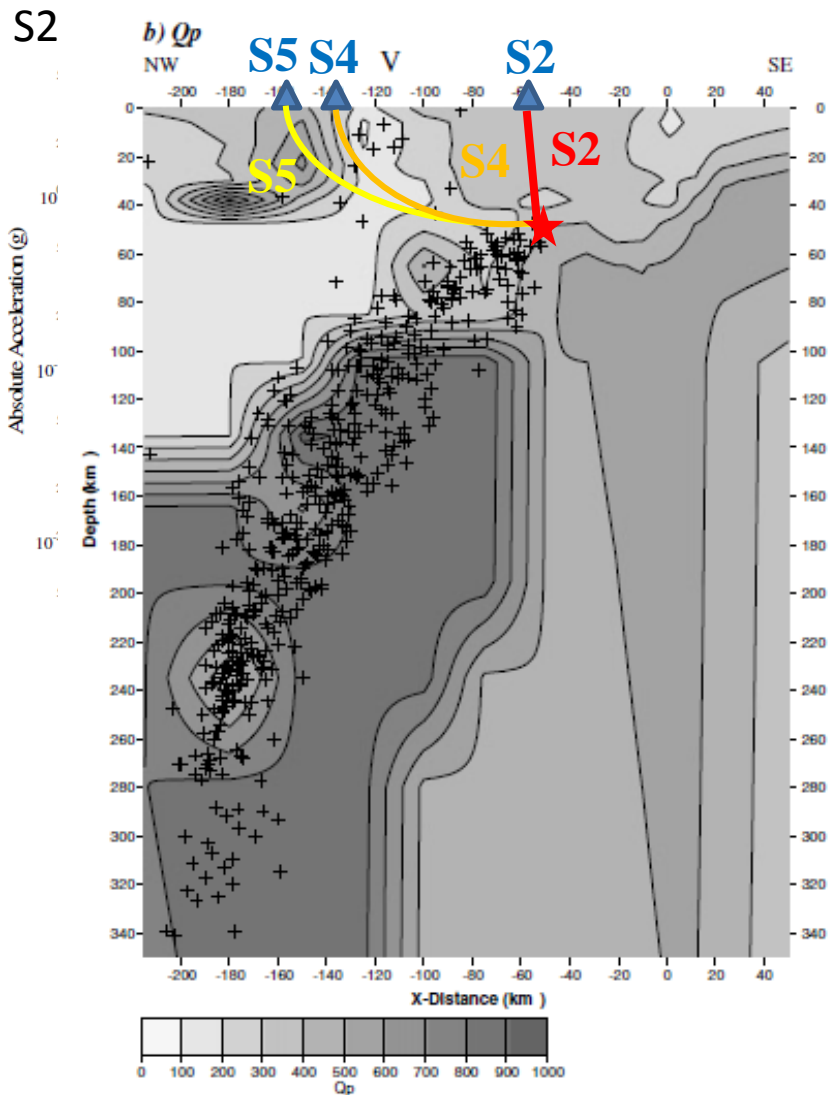
$$CQ_{site}(T, H_c) = \frac{CQ_{1site}(H_c)}{T^{0.3}} \quad T \geq 0.2 \text{ sec}$$

$$CQ_{site}(T, H_c) = CQ_{1site}(T = 0.2 \text{ sec}, H_c) \quad T < 0.2 \text{ sec}$$

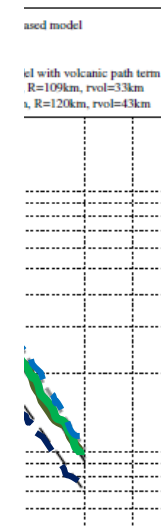
Modification to Standard Response Spectral Model

$$\ln SA(T) = \ln SA(T)_{\text{standard NZ subduction zone}} - [CQ_{\text{SITE}}(T, H_c) - CQ_{\text{STANDARD}}(T, H_c)]r$$

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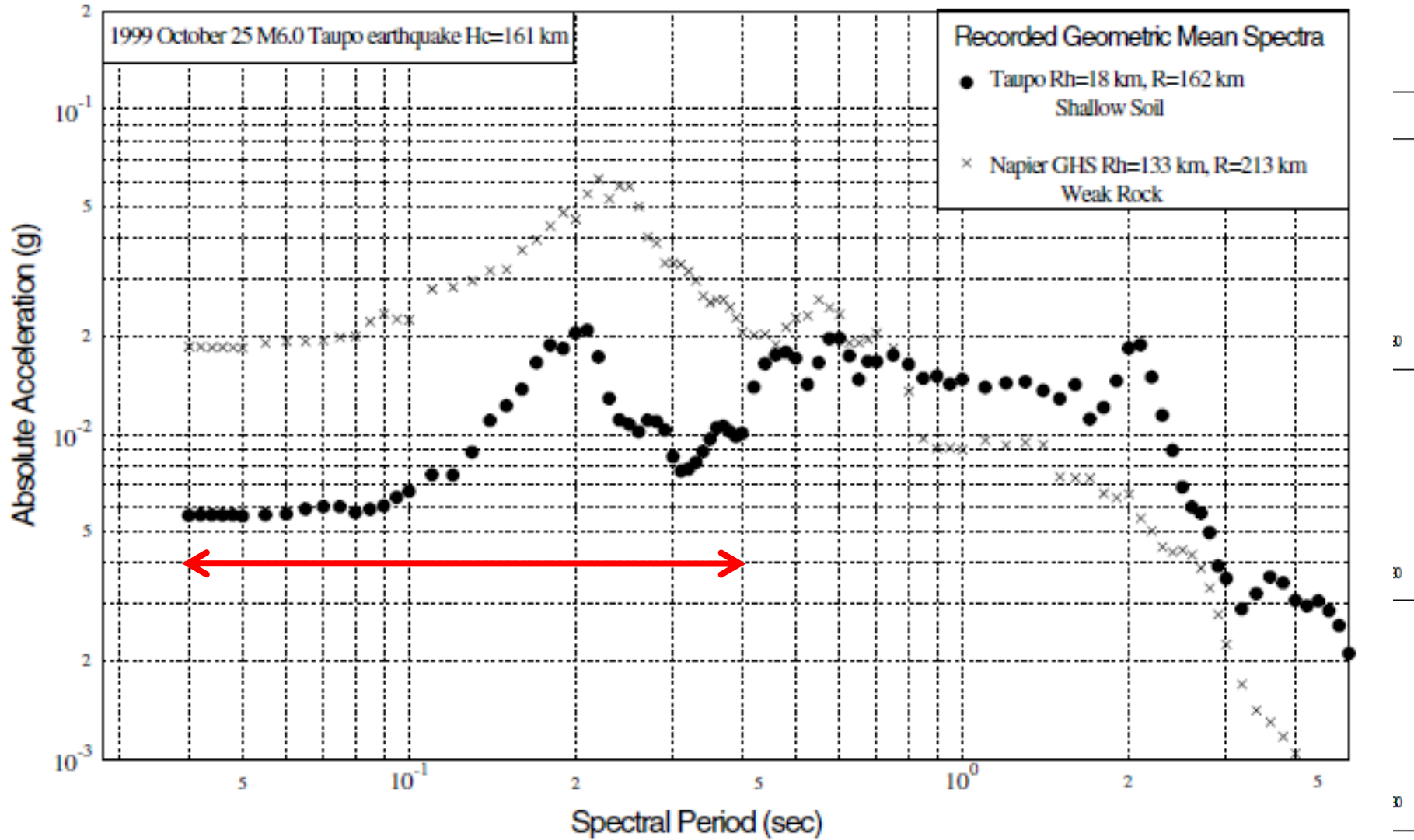


Spectra



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Acceleration Spectra for Deep Taupo Event



Conclusion

- The abnormal intensity is caused by high absorption zone in the upper mantle
- Using seismograph network data, 3D *Q models* can be derived that image the heterogeneous attenuation
- Using actual Q-values along specified paths, appropriate terms can be computed that modify the response spectral model to adequately model the high-loss paths for deep earthquakes.

Thanks for your attention

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