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Linear Equivalent Sources and Stochastic Model Effects on Far-Field Moment Tensors

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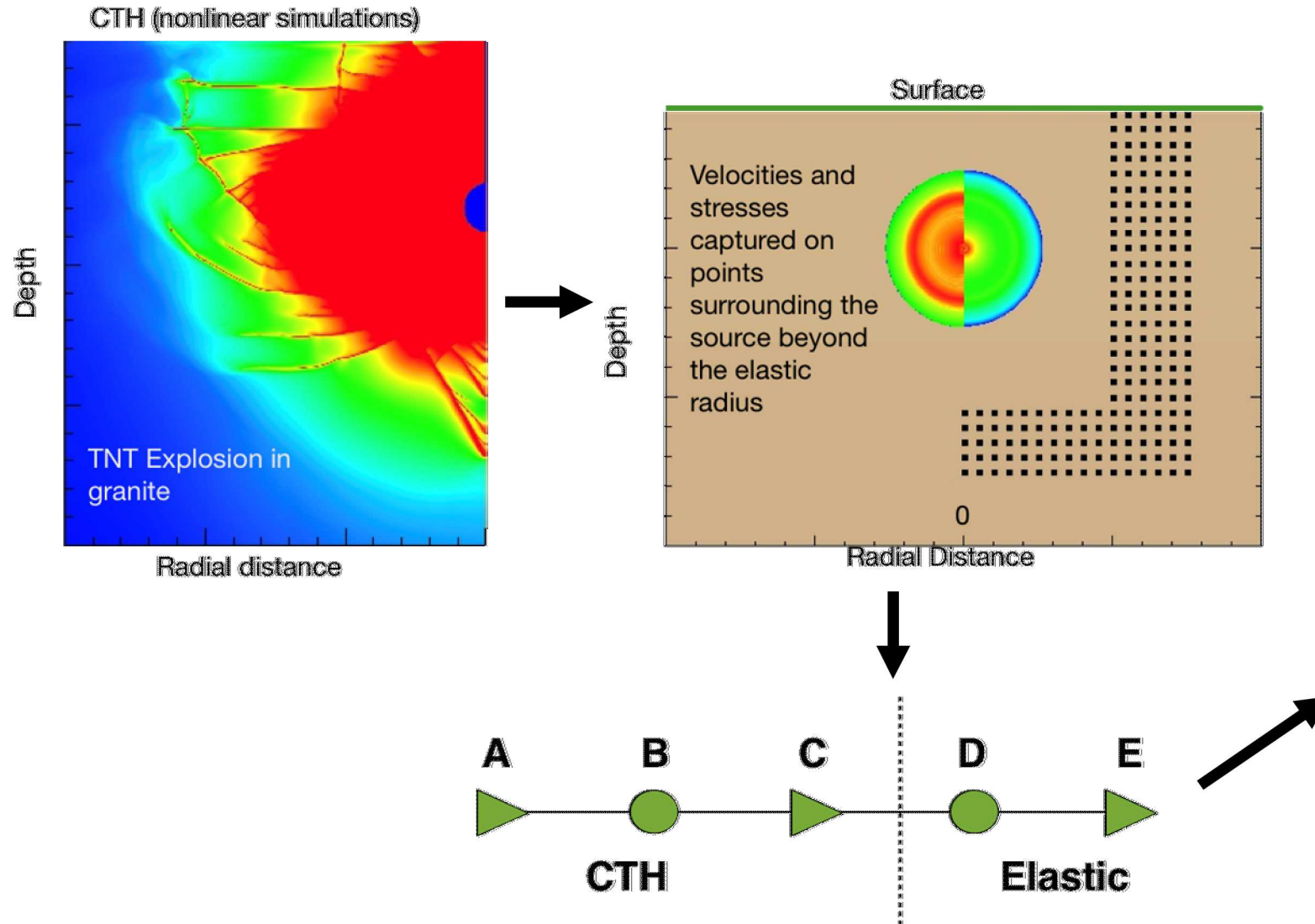
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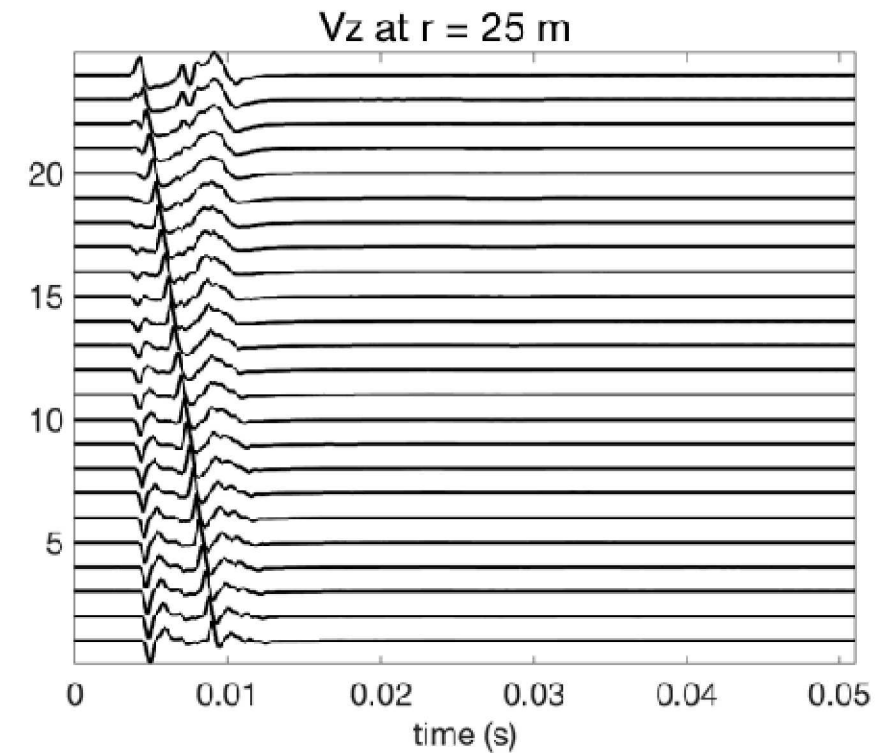
Nonlinear to Linear End-to-End Modeling – LYNM Program

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- **Collaborators:** Working with LLNL and LANL to obtain improved and calibrated nonlinear material models
- **Overview and Goals**
 - **Develop and improve end-to-end modeling capabilities through numerical simulation and comparison with lab and field experiments**
 - **Focusing on how nonlinear, near-source properties affect far-field seismic waveforms and our ability to extract source information from those waveform relevant to the non-proliferation monitoring community**
- **FY19 Deliverable:** Peer review journal article submitted end of FY
- **Primary LYNM Science Questions: 21, 27, and 28**
 - **Addressing uncertainty in seismic modeling due to stochastic variability in the earth and the physics and code coupling requirements for end-to-end modeling**

Nonlinear to Linear Modeling



Far-Field waveforms from nonlinear model, i.e., “observed” data



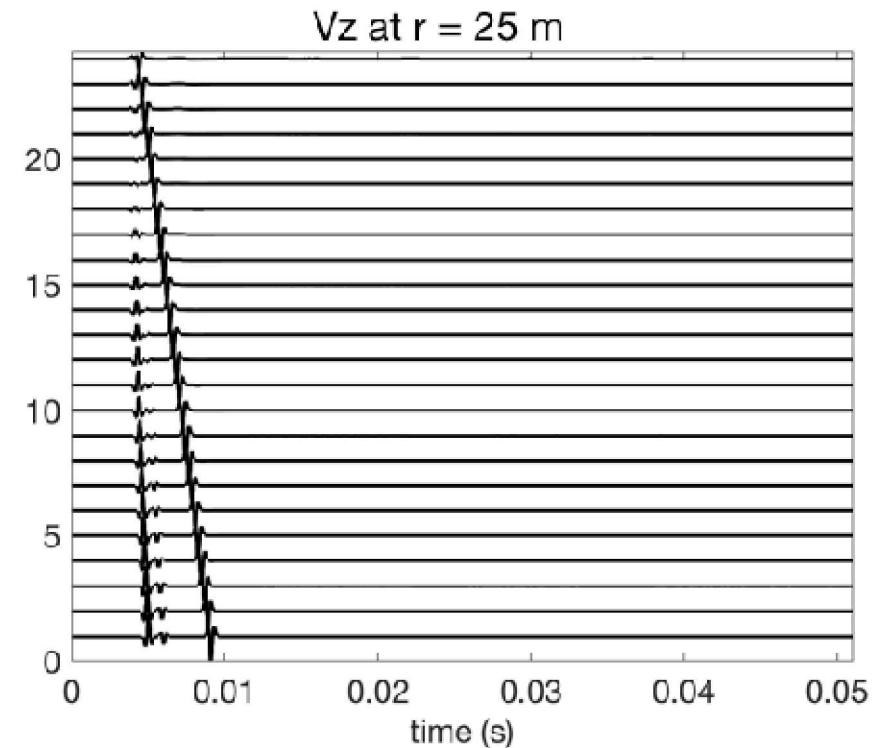
Linear Green's Functions and Source Inversion

- Produce purely linear explosion (isotropic) Green's Functions using appropriate source depth
- Invert for Source Time Function (M) using nonlinear response as "observations" (u) and linear Green's function (G)

$$u_k(\mathbf{x}', t') = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{V_0} G_{ki}(\mathbf{x}', t'; \mathbf{x}, t) M_i(\mathbf{x}, t) d\mathbf{x}^3 dt$$

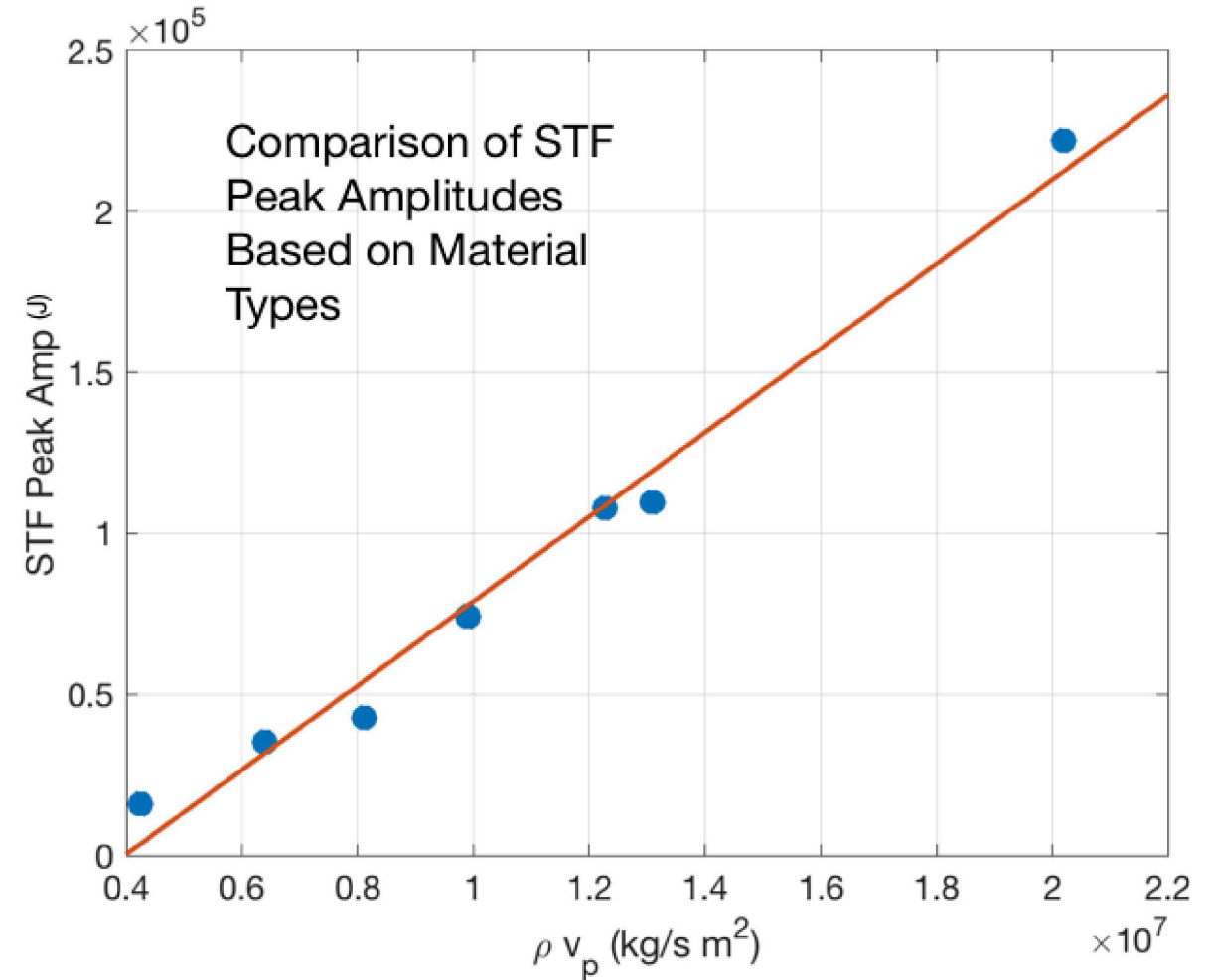
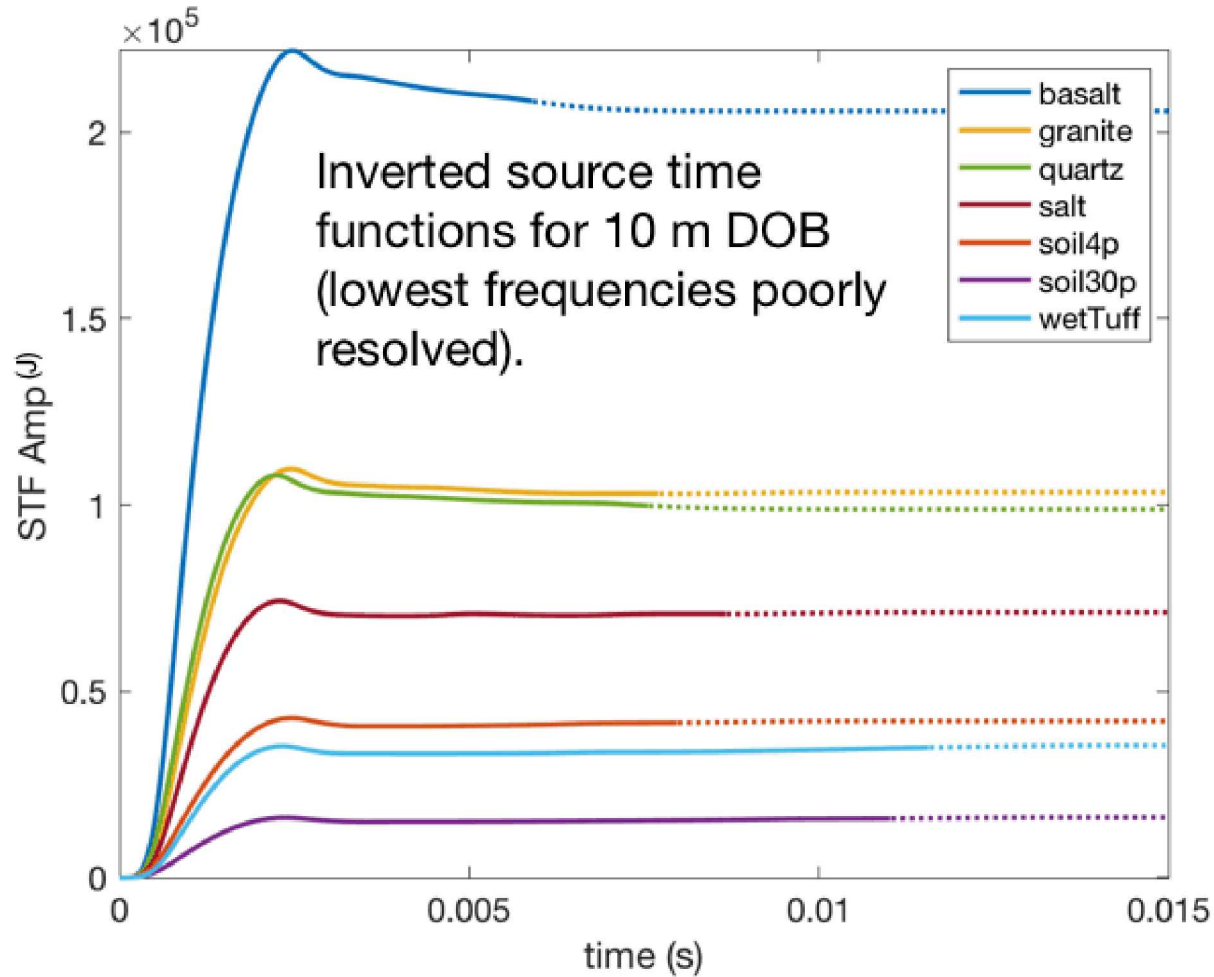
$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{f}) = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{f})^+ \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{f})$$

Purely linear Green's Functions, convolved with 2000 Hz gaussian for visualization



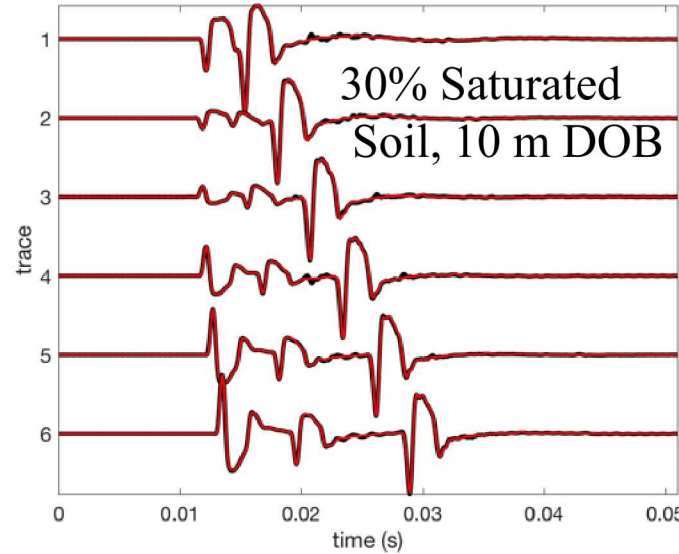
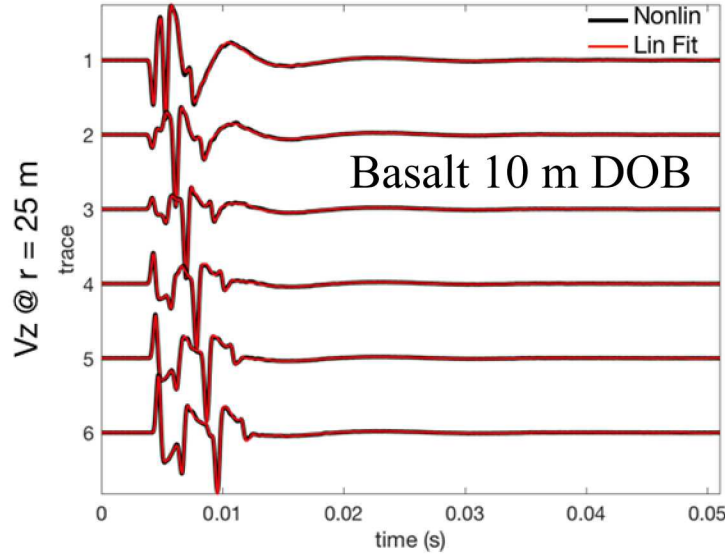
- **2.5 kg TNT buried 10 m depth used to invert for linear source time functions**
- **7 homogeneous geomaterials tested with a range of strengths (basalt, granite, quartz, salt, 5% saturated soil, 30% saturated soil, and wet tuff)**
- **Nonlinear modeling currently uses uncalibrated material models, but in the process of obtaining calibrated models**
- **Nonlinear properties include physics capabilities of CTH including EOS, porosity crush, and strength models**
- **2D cylindrical simulations; isotropic-only inversions**
- **Receivers surround source to cover wide variety of take-off angles**
- **Utilized radial and vertical components of each receiver**
- **Used the same source time functions from the 10 m depth case for 5 and 2.5 m depth of burial cases**

Preliminary Results

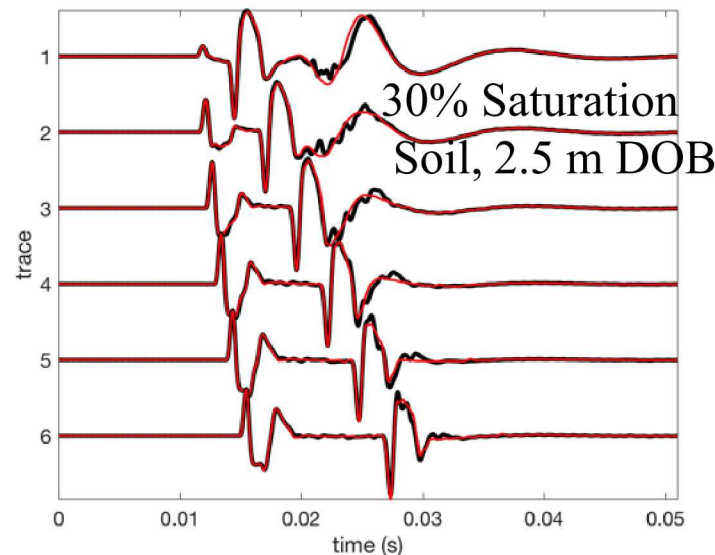
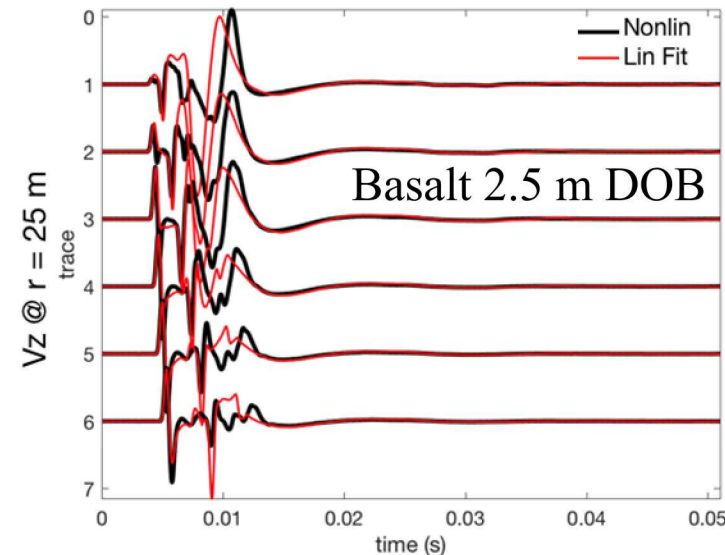


How Well Does Purely Linear Source Model Fit Nonlinear Source Waveforms?

Toward the surface ↑



Toward the surface ↑



- Linear source models for all materials match nonlinear waveforms for 10 m DOB
- Linear explosion source model does not fit strong materials as well at 5 m DOB, but weak materials still are well fit
- At 2.5 m DOB even weak materials are not fit as well by linear explosion source model
- Nonlinear surface effects (spall) is not replicated by linear codes

How To Deal with Uncertain Fine Earth Structure

$$M(f) = G(f)^+ u(f)$$

We need to know this!

- Seismic tomography/refraction
 - Surface wave tomography
 - etc.
- } Geophysical inversions are smooth models:
We generally know this

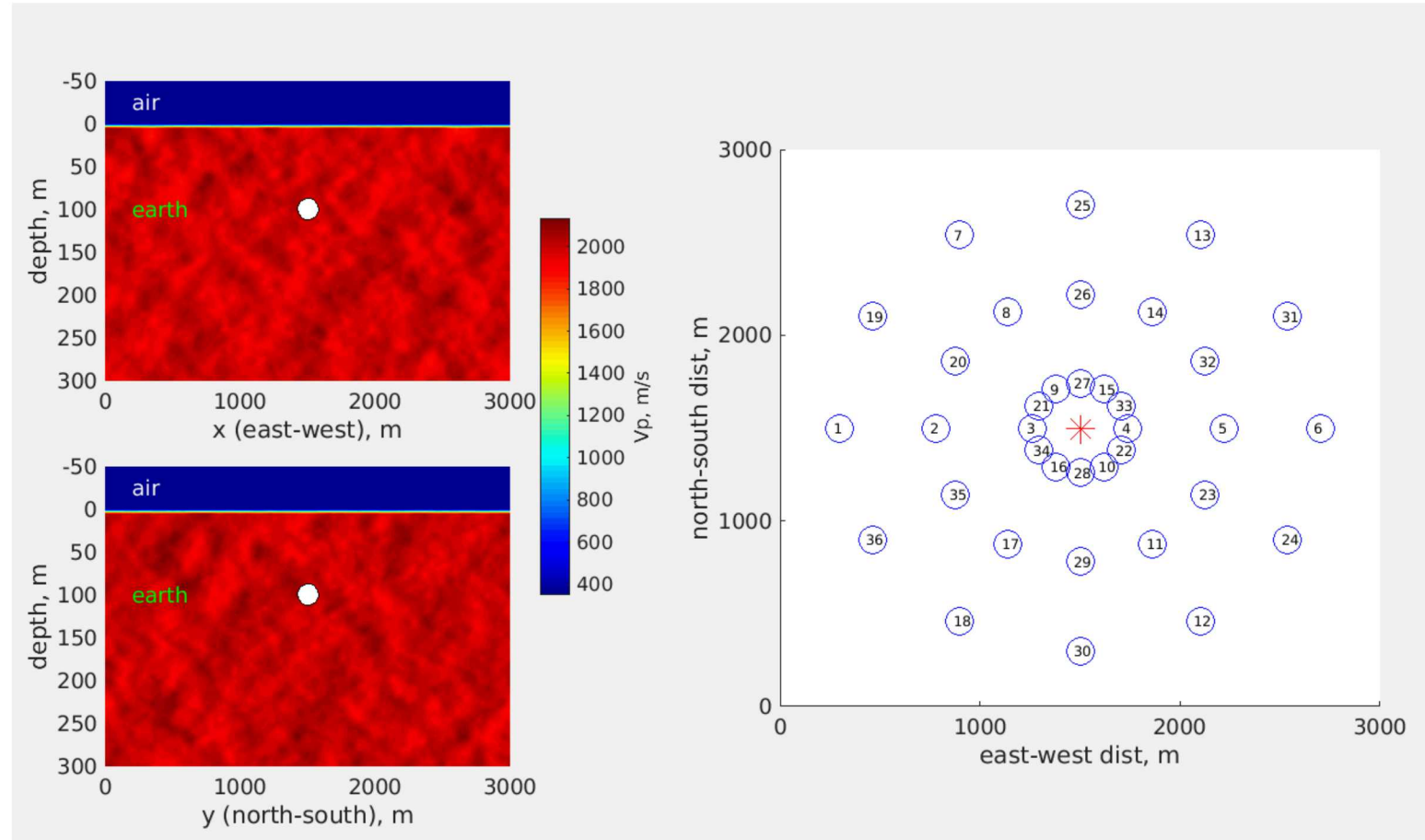
- Well log
 - Geologic mapping
- } Observations = NOT smooth!
We generally can only know the statistics of this

Explore this one

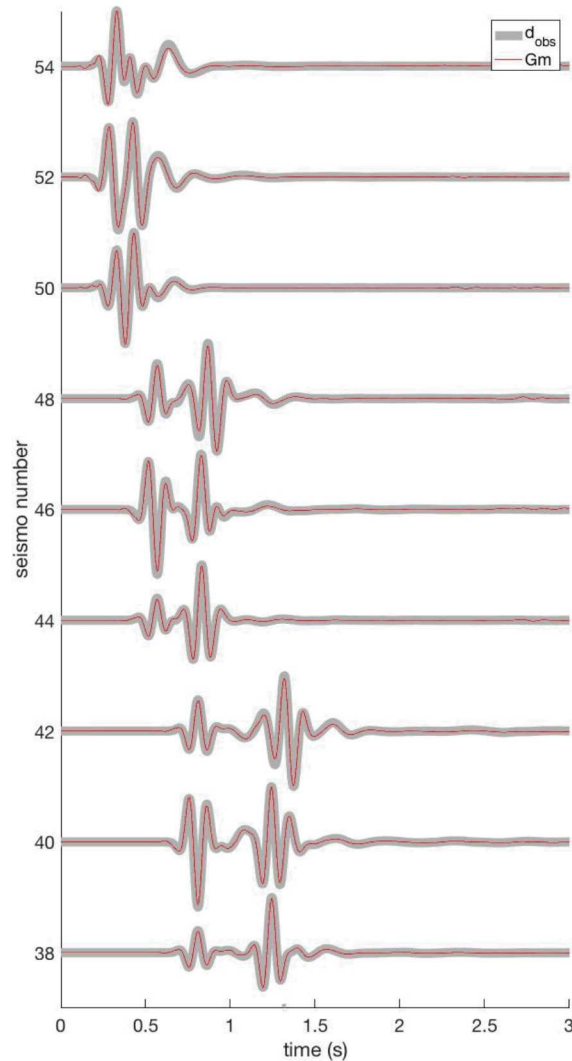


Numerical Experiments

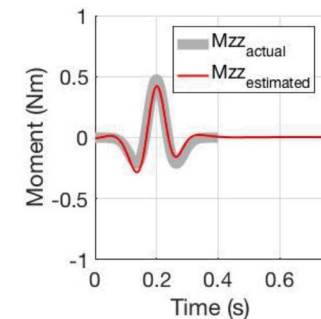
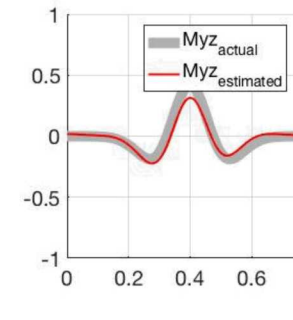
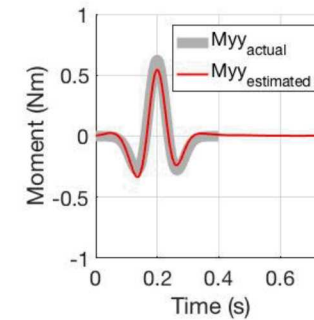
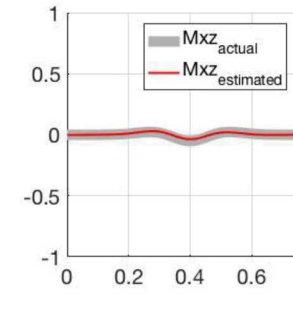
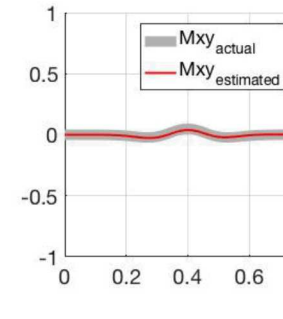
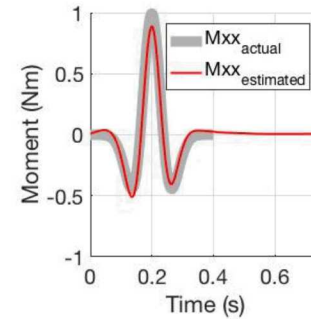
- Question: if we only know the “smooth” structure, how can we resolve the seismic source?
- Generate a synthetic seismograms, using a heterogeneous model (von Karman)
- Correlation length = 300m
- Hurst exponent = 0.3
- Different seeds



Numerical Experiment

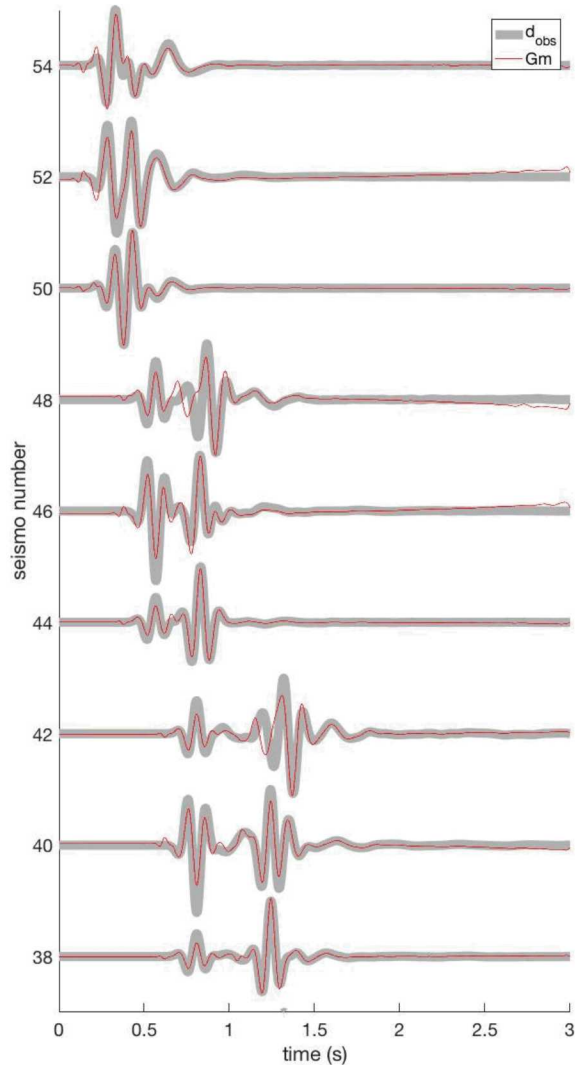


(only showing the 3C
seismograms from three
stations)

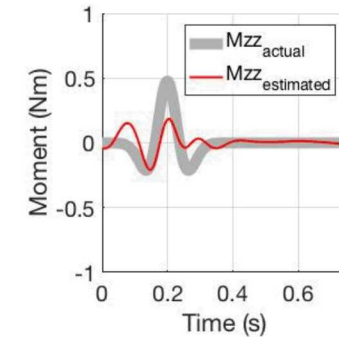
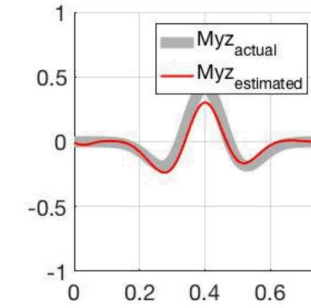
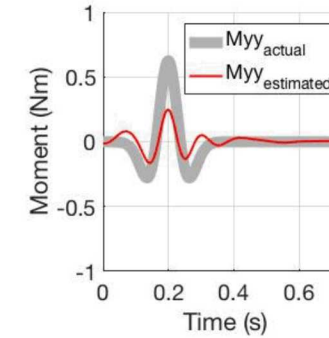
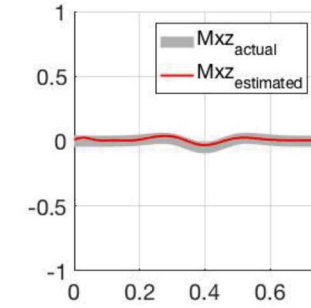
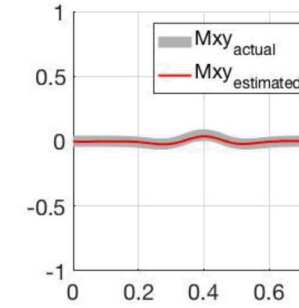
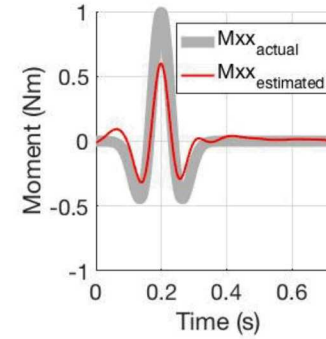


**Example with “perfect
data”: i.e. same model
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invert the data**

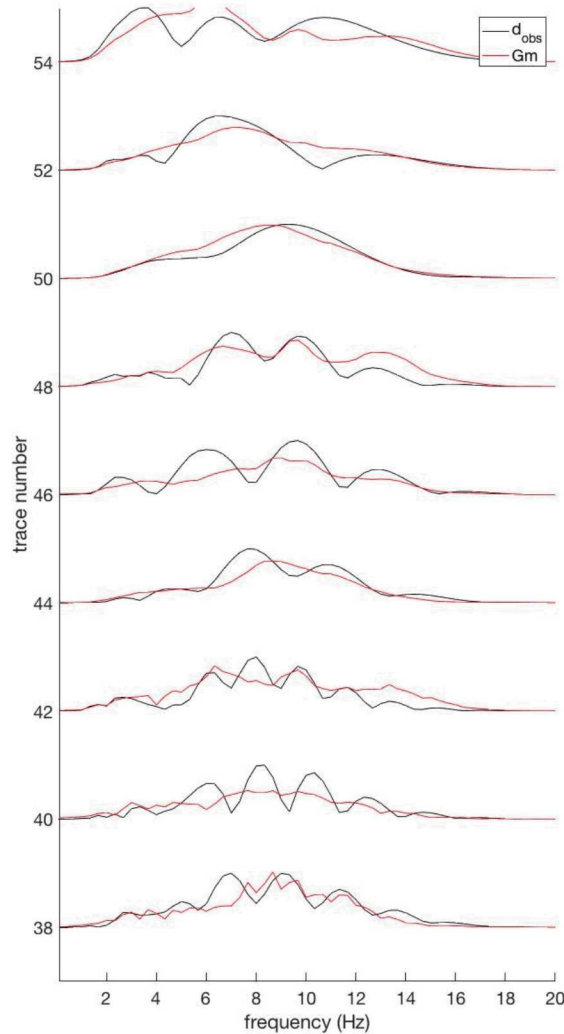
Numerical Experiment



**Example where the model to
make the data is not the same as
that used to invert the data**

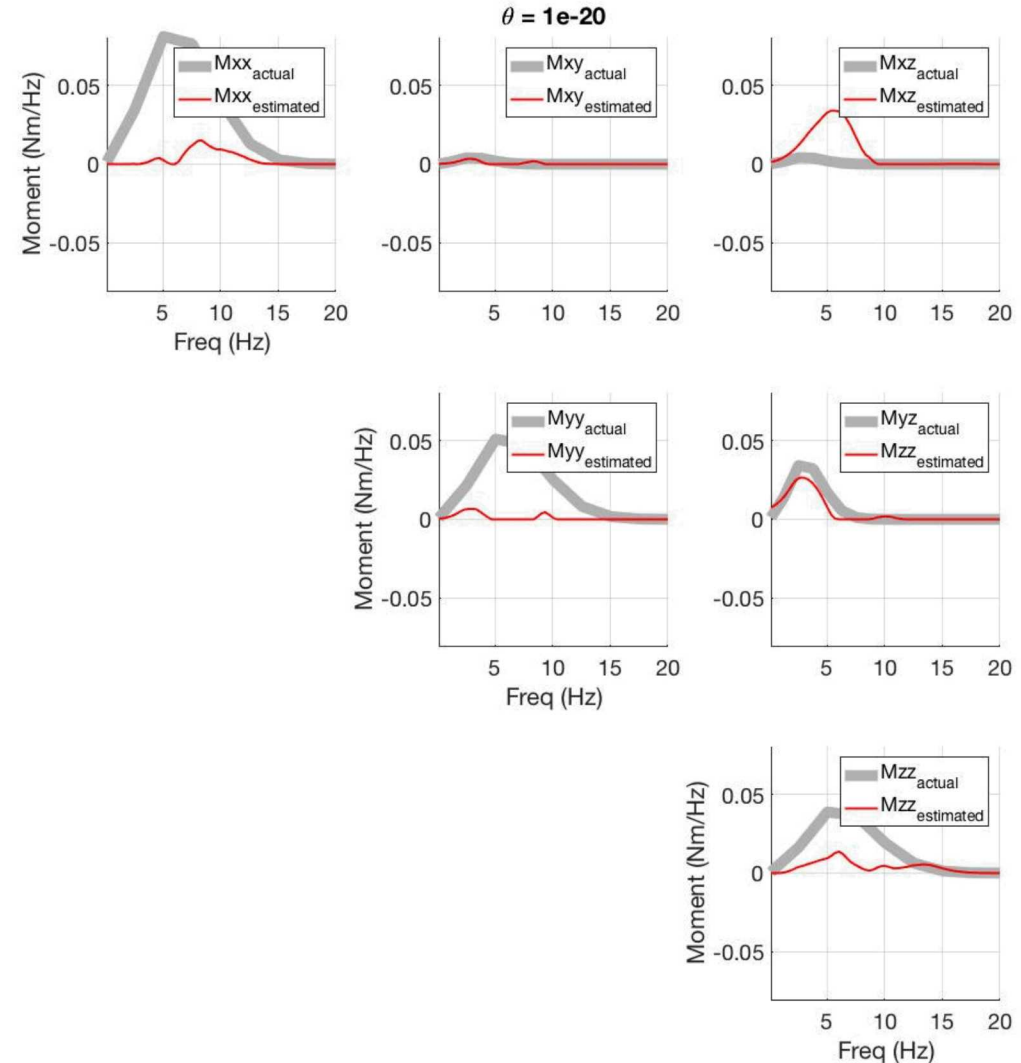


Amplitude Spectra-Only Inversion

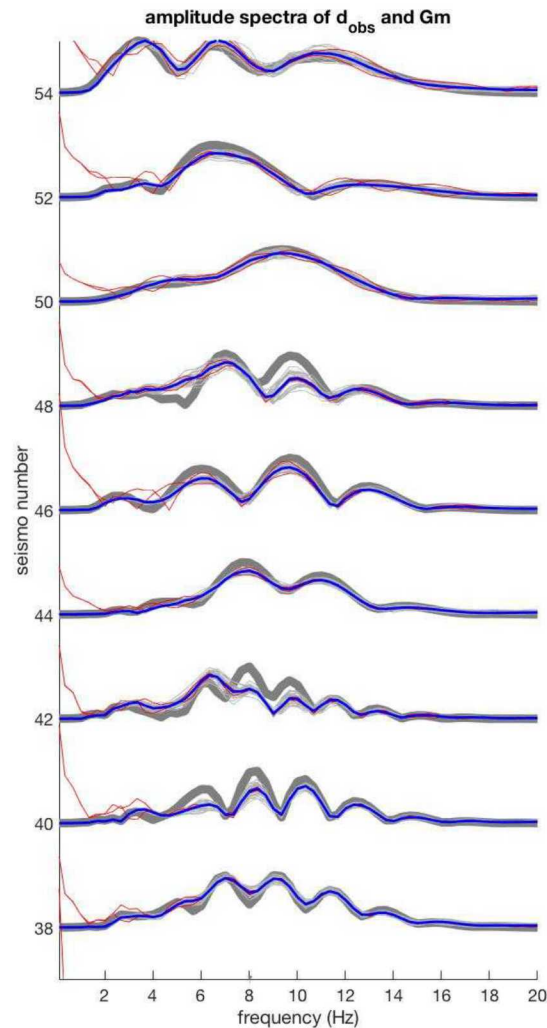


“Perfect” data

- Non-negative least squares
- Amplitude-only inversions don't appear to be a fruitful approach
- Null space/Non-uniqueness?

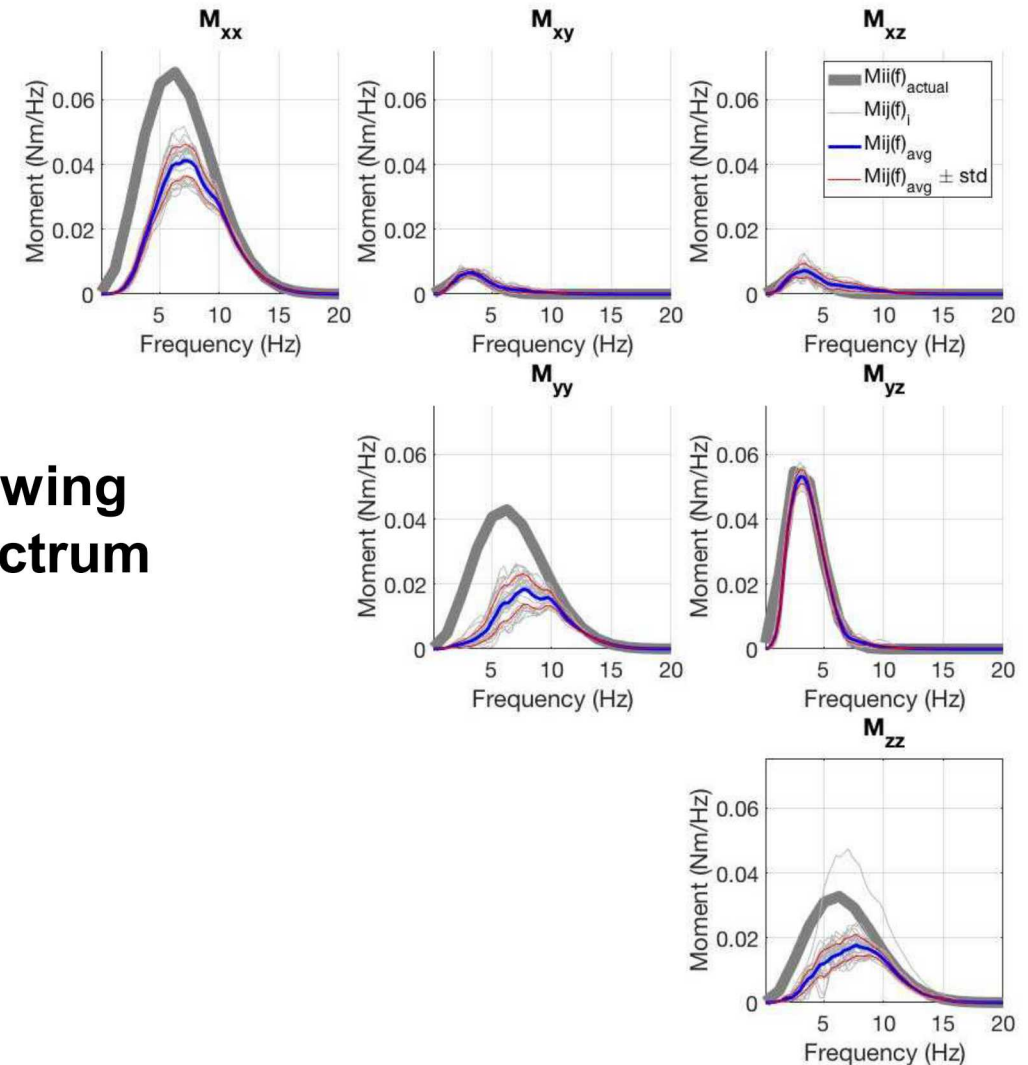


Monte Carlo Approach

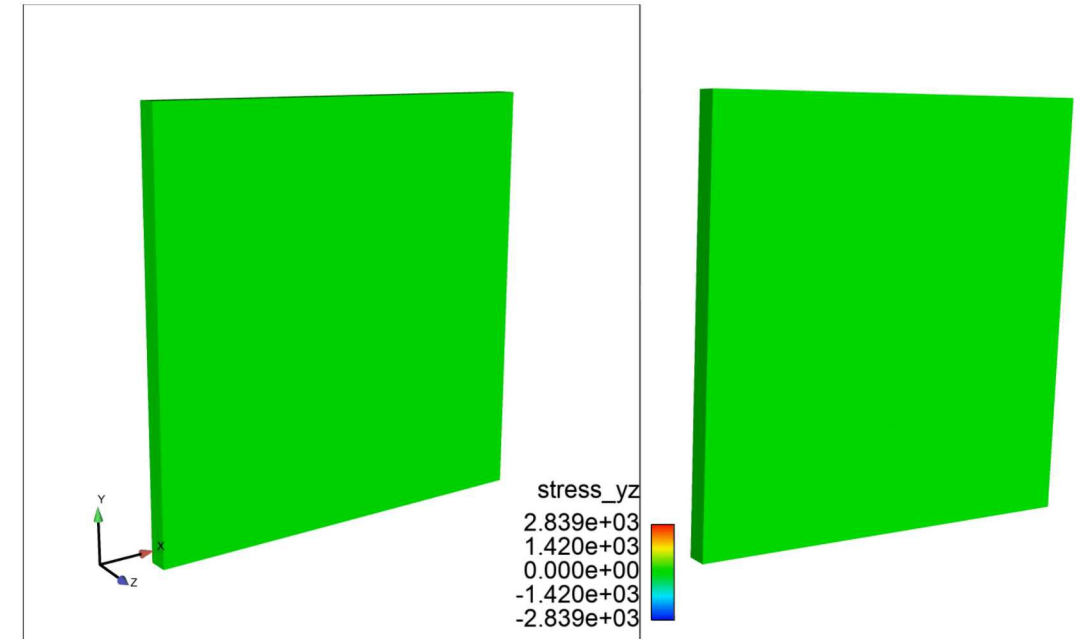


**Full spectrum
inversion, showing
amplitude spectrum**

30 Monte
Carlo
simulations



- **Different length scales in this problem have different characteristics**
 - **Near source:** intense pressures and energies, massive deformation, material phase change
 - **Mid-range:** high pressures and energies, significant deformation, no phase change but interaction with material discontinuities (e.g. rock joints)
 - **Far-field:** elastic response
- **Zapotec enables the analyst to use the best computational approach for different parts of multi-domain problems**



Sierra/SM Simulation of blast on plate; solid block on left, block with XFEM cohesive model on right

Summary

- **Purely linear source models can match far-field waveforms from nonlinear sources and resemble Mueller-Murphy source function**
- **Amplitudes of the STF depend quasi-linearly on impedance of material**
- **Isotropic linear source models break down for strong materials near the free surface**
- **Material heterogeneity can introduce biases and errors into moment tensor inversions**
- **Inversions of only amplitude spectra have inferior performance relative to complete amplitude and phase inversions**
- **Monte Carlo simulations and inversions indicate biases especially in isotropic components, but off-diagonal components are less sensitive to random perturbations**
- **We will be pursuing better material models and modeling tools for near and mid-range distances and explore more complex earth models**