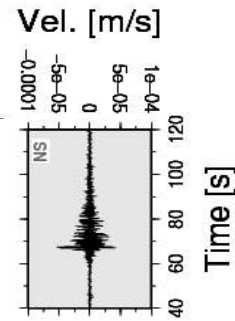
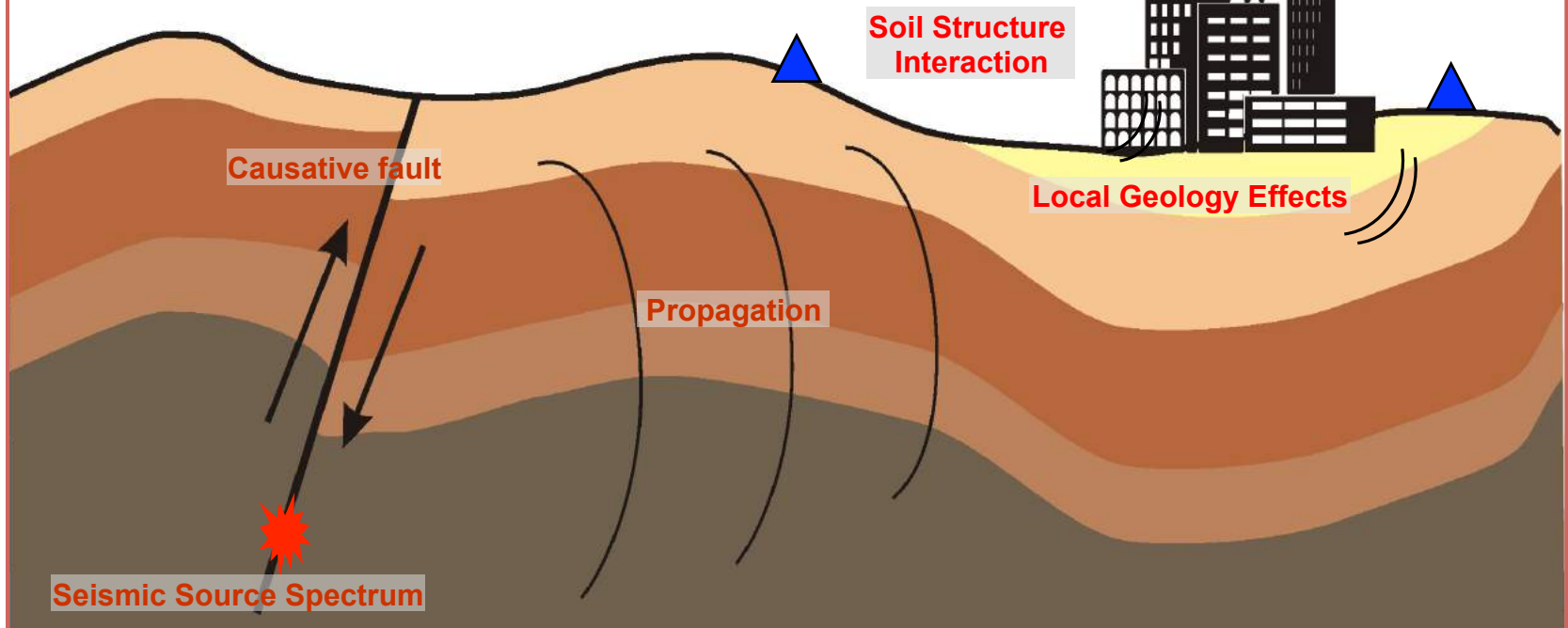
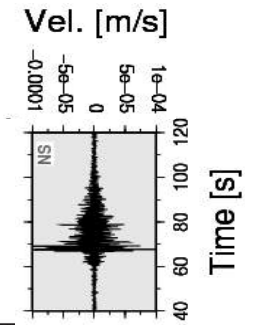


# Effetti di sito ed interazione suolo struttura

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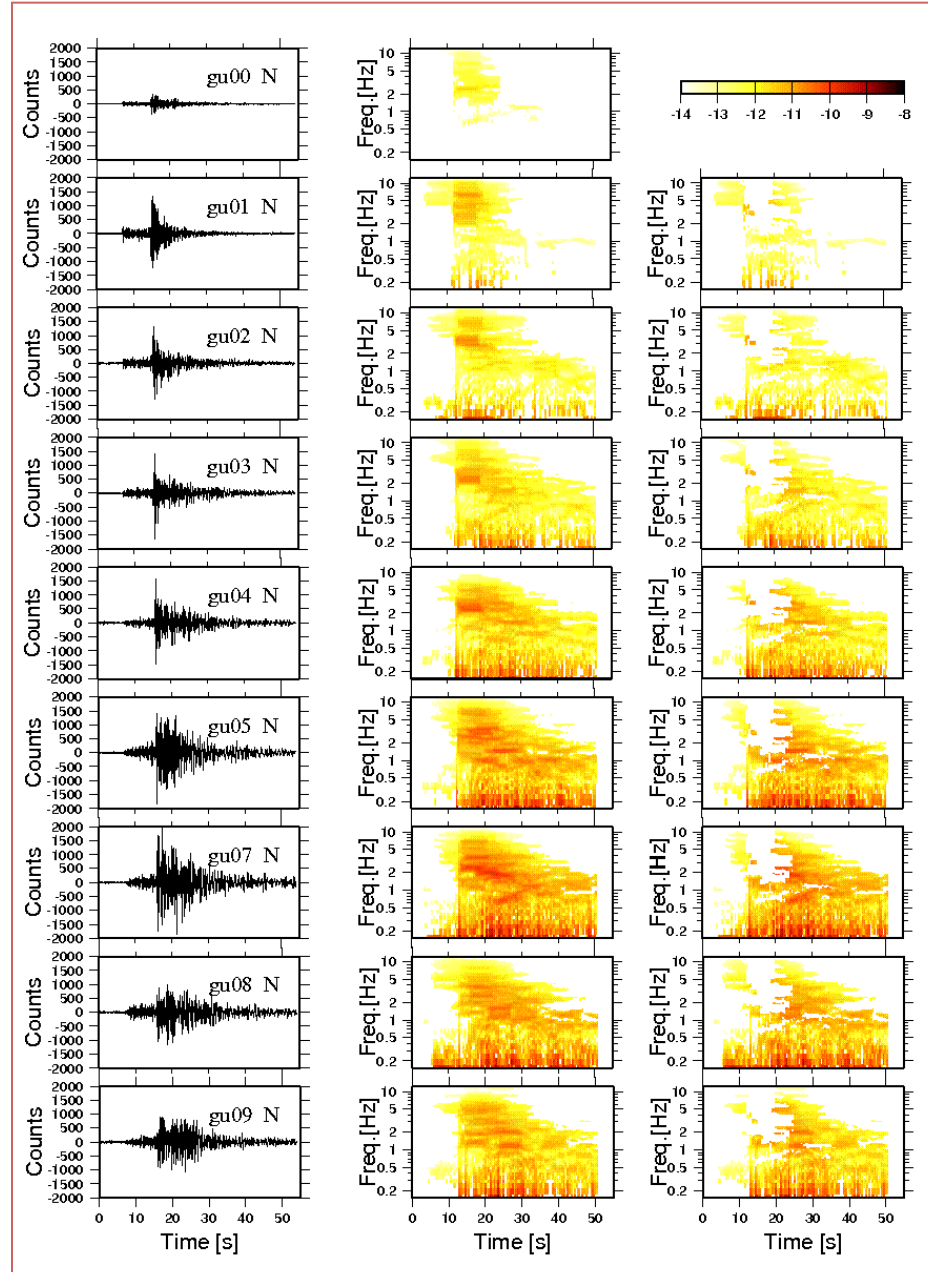
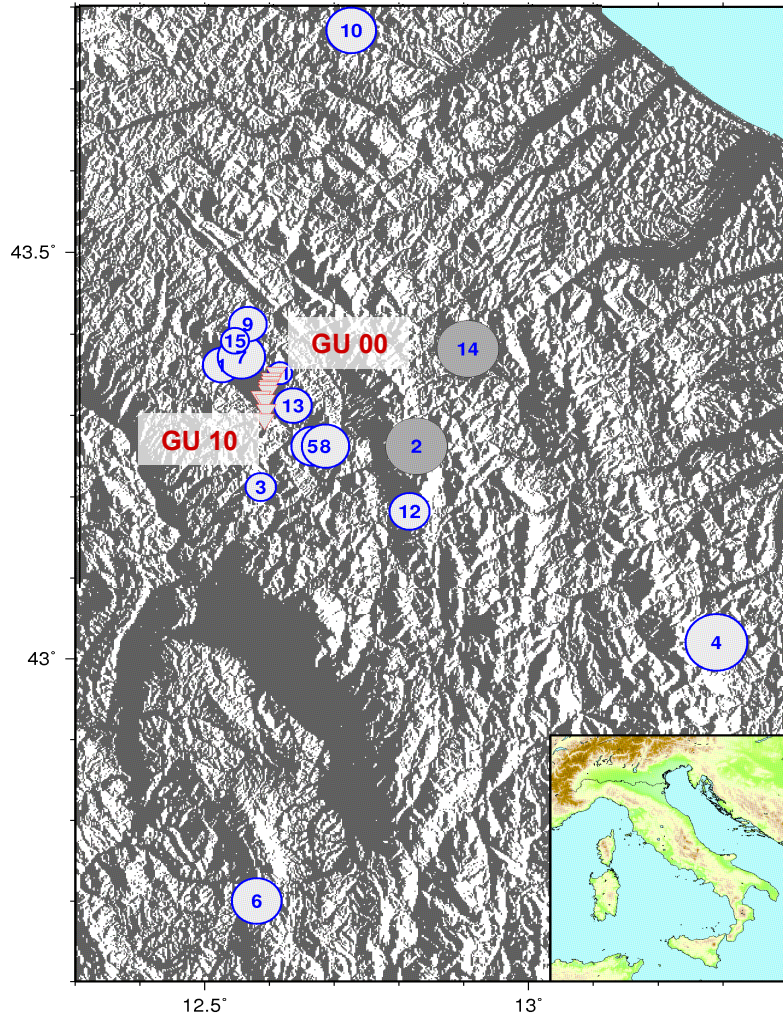


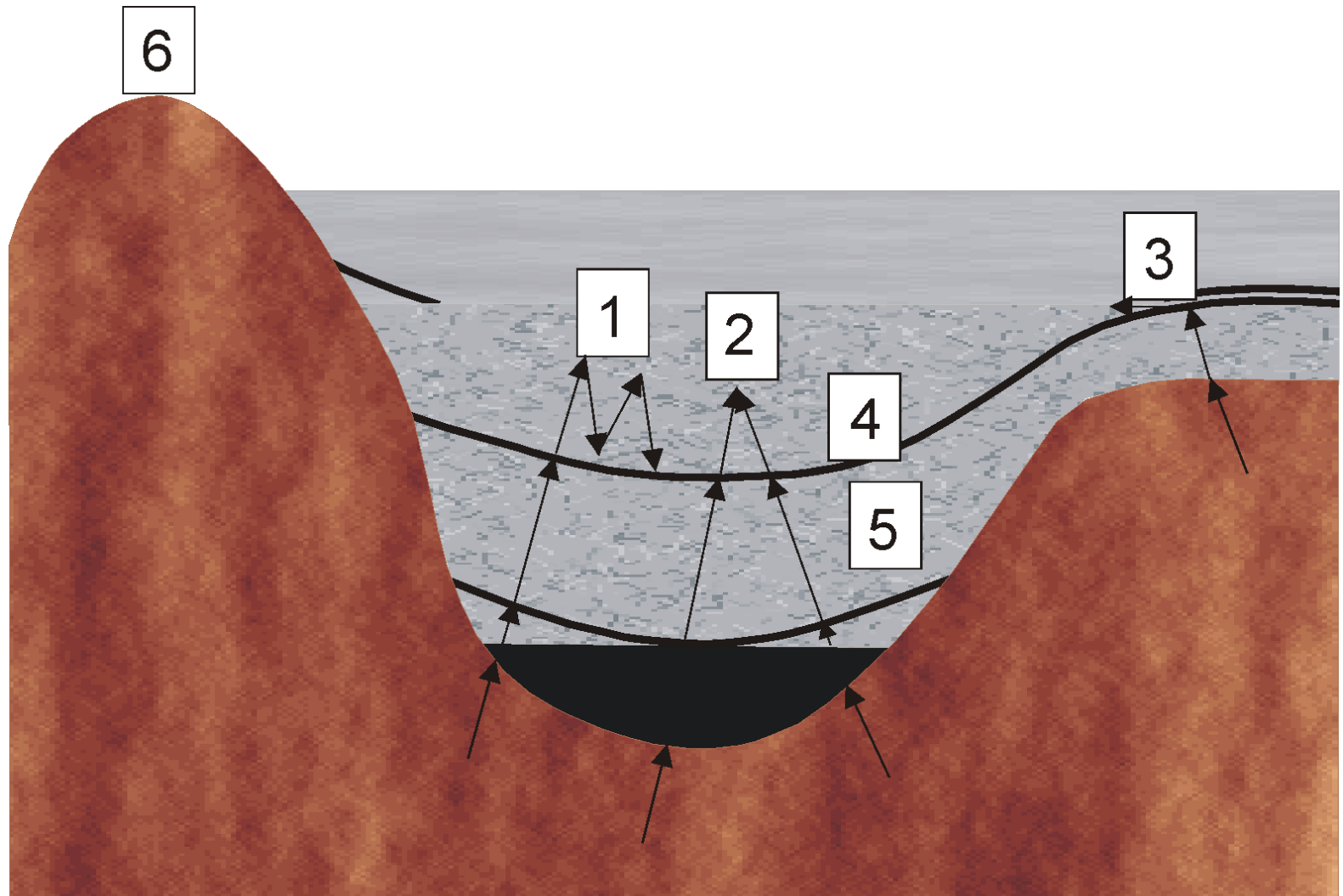
**Resonance  
Frequency of  
Building**



# Site effects: Gubbio Valley (Italy)

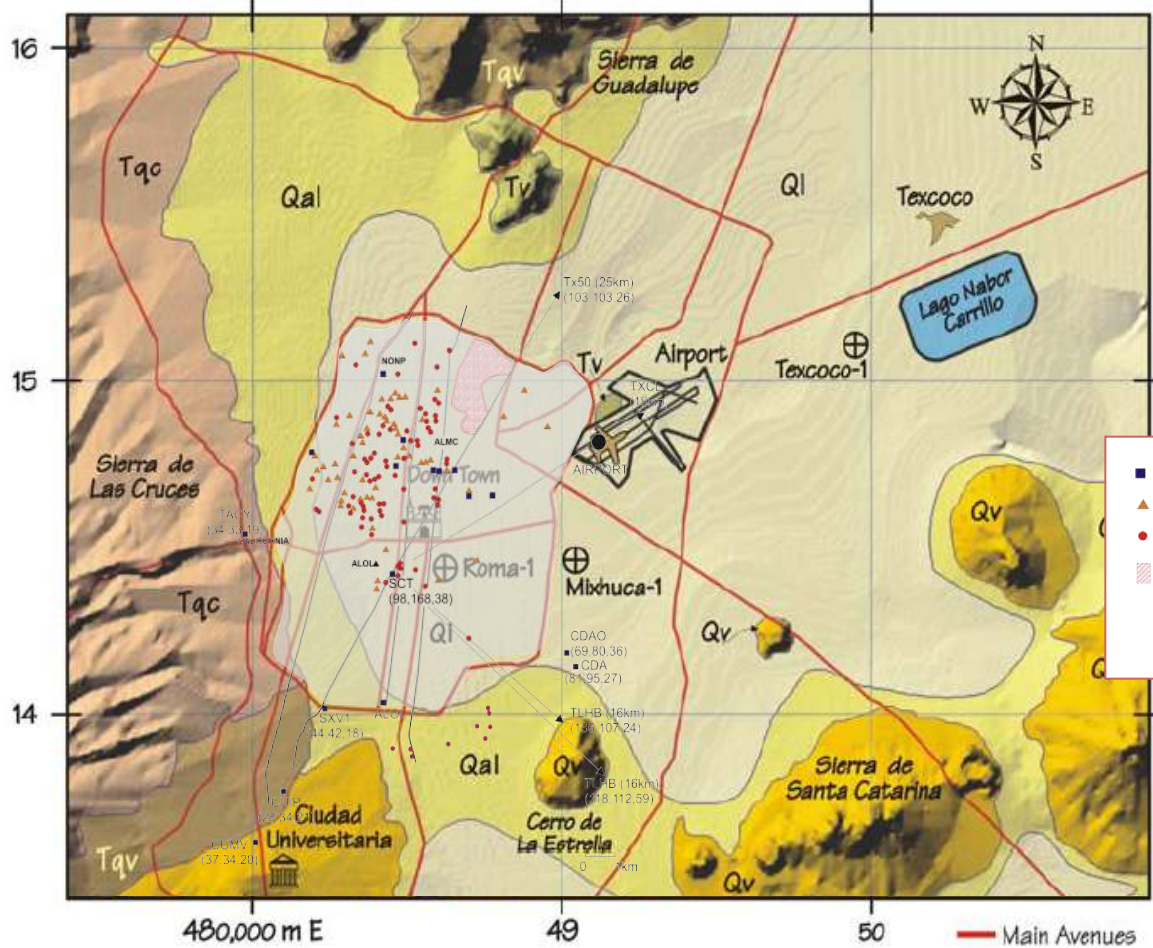
Ground motion increasing with increasing distance from the source! (within the valley)





1 - Resonance due to impedance contrasts, 2 - Focusing due to subsurface topography, 3 - Body waves converted to surface waves, 4 - Water content, 5 - Randomness of the medium and 6 - Surface topography





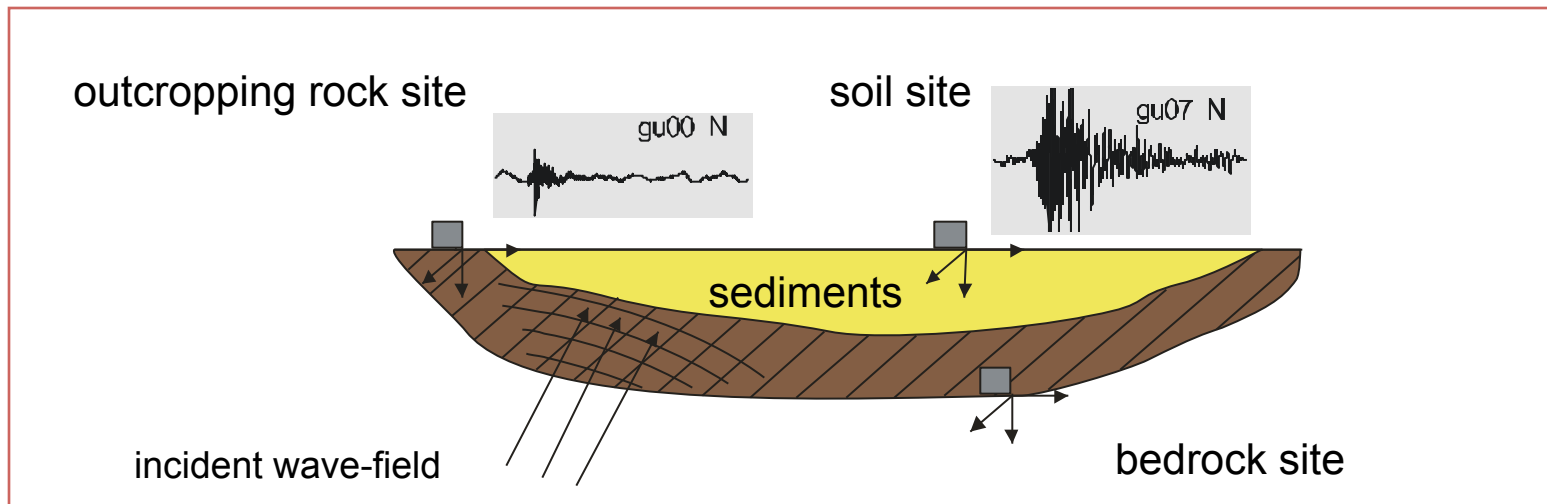
- ACCELEROGRAPH
- ▲ SEVERELY DAMAGED BUILDING
- COLLAPSED BUILDING
- ▨ ZONE WITH MANY COLLAPSED 1 AND 2 STORY HOUSES (BRICK AND ADOBE)

- Quaternary Deposits**
- Ql: Lacustrine Deposits
  - Qal: Alluvial Deposits
  - Qv: Basaltic and andesitic lava, ashes and epiclastic deposits
- Plio Quaternary Deposits**
- Tqc: Epiclastic deposits and alluvial fans
  - Tqv: Andesitic and rhyolitic domes and lava flows
- Upper Tertiary Volcanic Rocks**
- Tv: Andesitic and dacitic lava flows

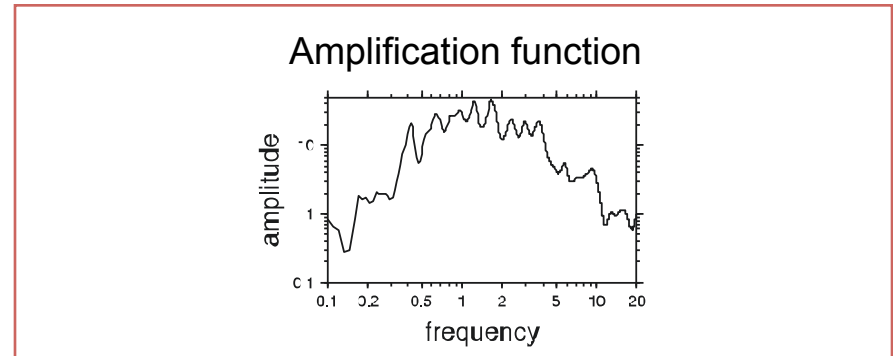
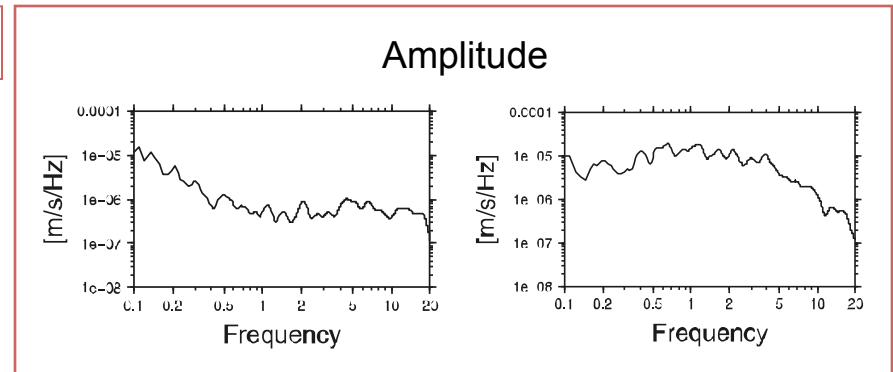
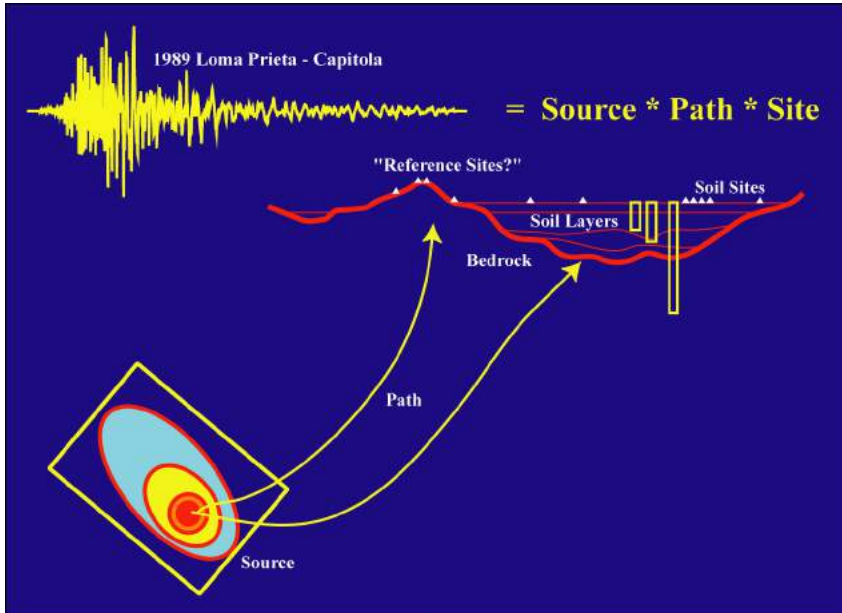


## Earthquake based Reference Site methods

- 1) Standard spectral ratio: spectral ratio between the same ground motion components of 2 close stations
- 2) Generalized inversion techniques: a spectral inversion is performed in order to correct for the path effects if the reference station is faraway from the actual one.



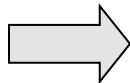
# Fourier Amplitude Spectra A(f)



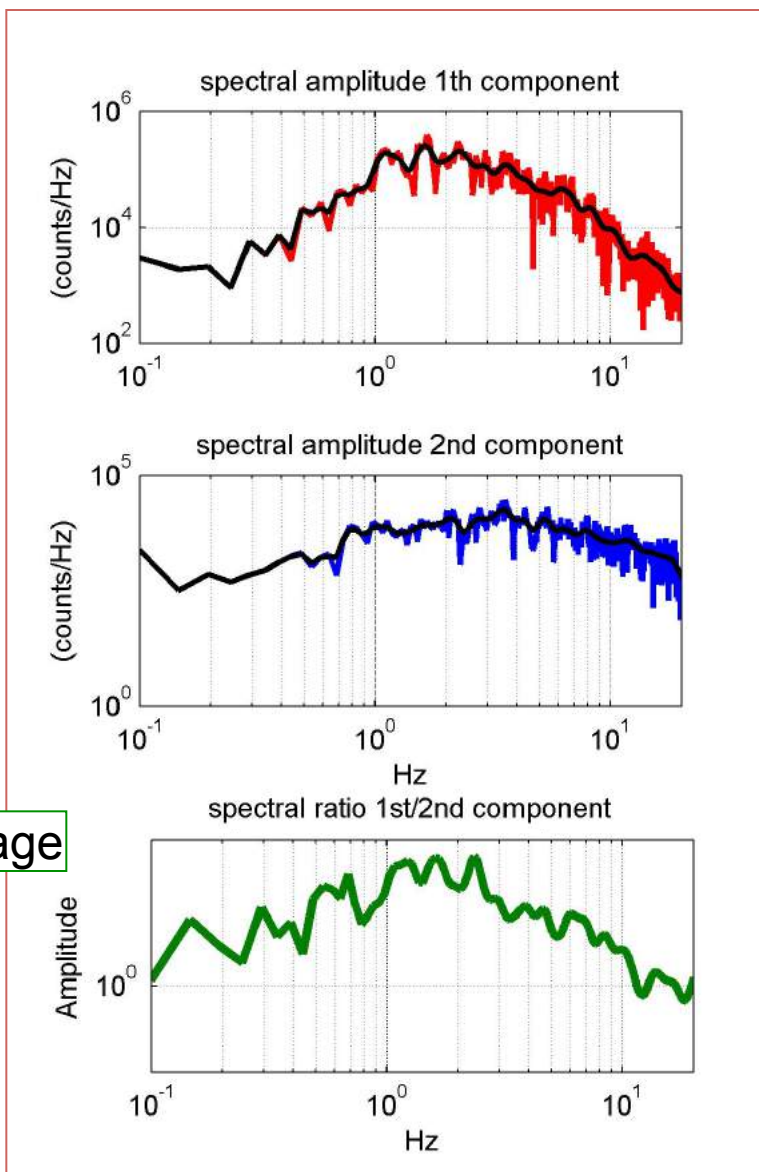
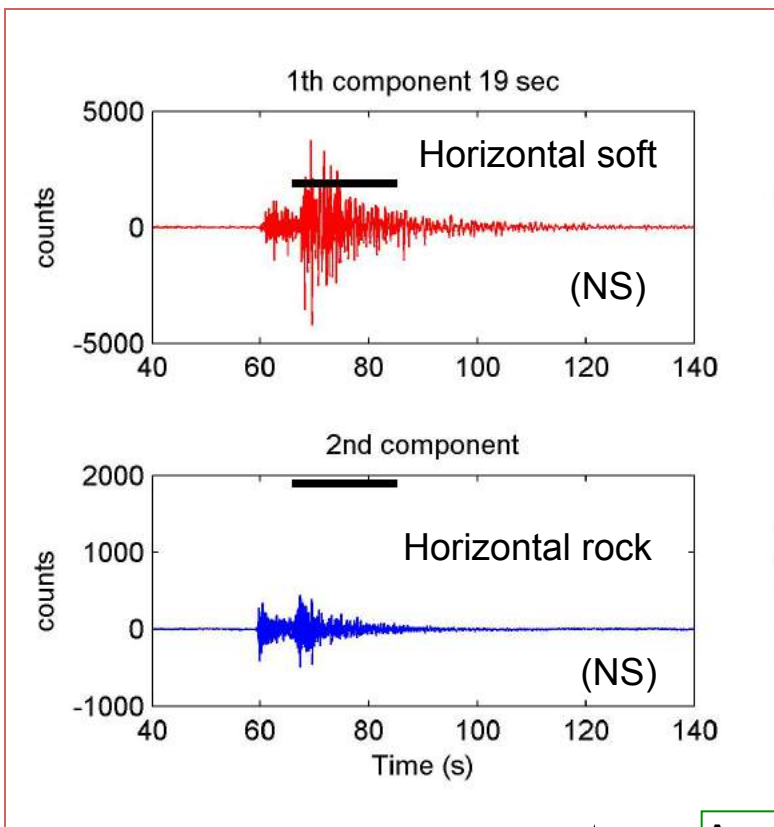
$$\frac{A_{soil}(f)}{A_{rock}(f)} = \frac{\cancel{Source}_{soil} \cancel{Path}_{soil} \cancel{Site}_{soil}}{\cancel{Source}_{rock} \cancel{Path}_{rock} \text{Site}_{rock}} = \frac{\cancel{Path}_{soil} \cancel{Site}_{soil}}{\cancel{Path}_{rock}} = \text{Site}_{soil}$$

**=1**  
**(reference)**

Window selection in time domain

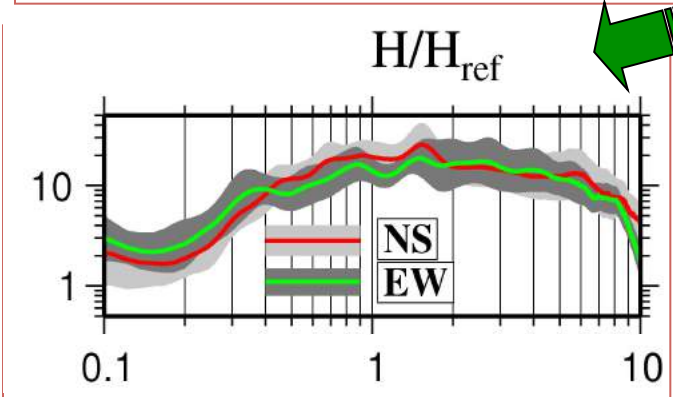


Fourier amplitude and smoothing



$$\frac{H(f)}{H(f)} = |SSR(f)|$$

Average





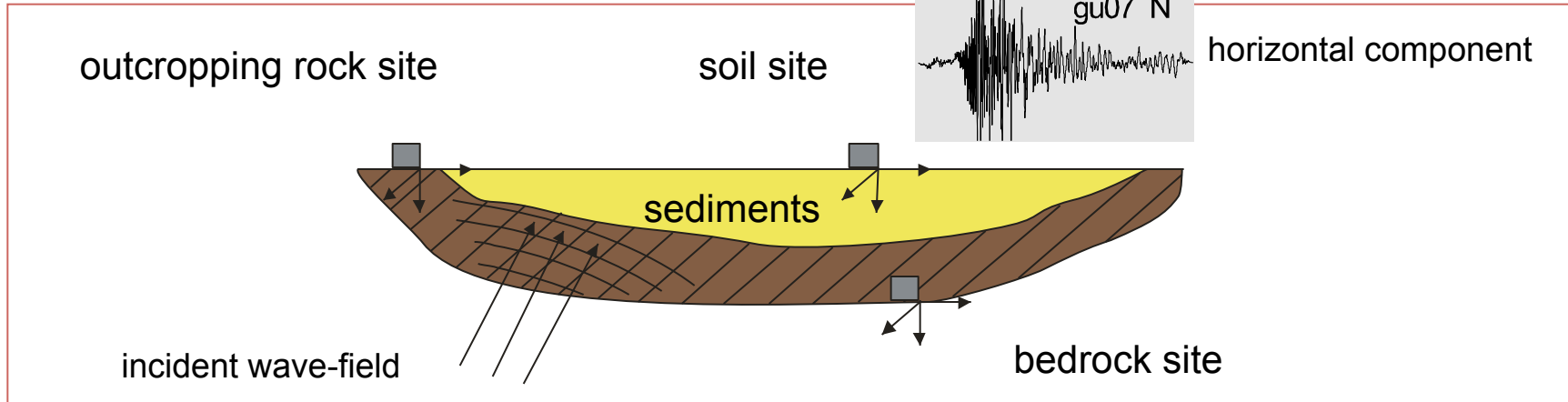
For standard spectral ratio, the distance between the 2 stations should be at least 5 time smaller than the hypocentral distance in order to assume that the path is the same.

A close good reference site might not be available.

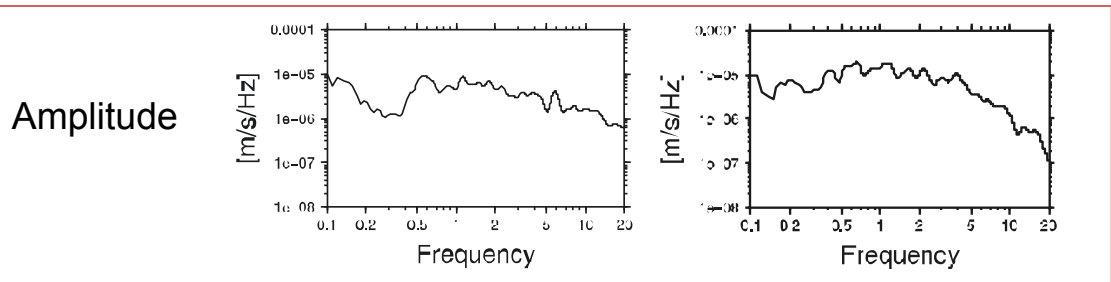
Also rock site may have their own site response

# EARTHQUAKE BASED NON-REFERENCE SITE METHOD:

H/V spectral ratio (earthquakes)



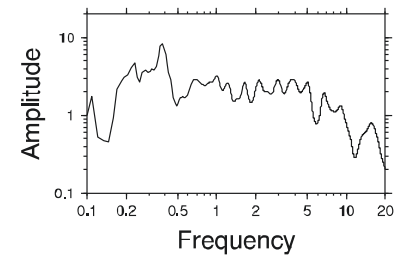
## Fourier Amplitude Spectra A(f)



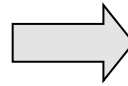
Site response or Spectral ratio

$$S(f) = \frac{H(f)_{soil}}{V(f)_{soil}}$$

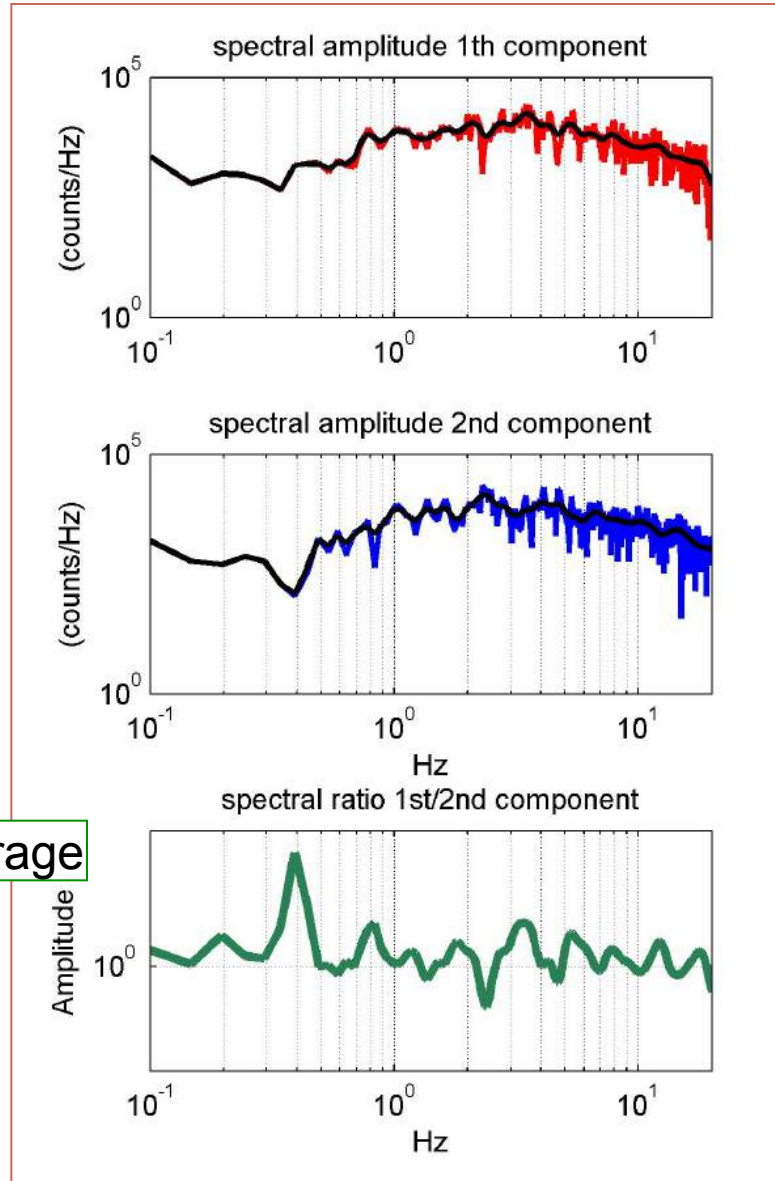
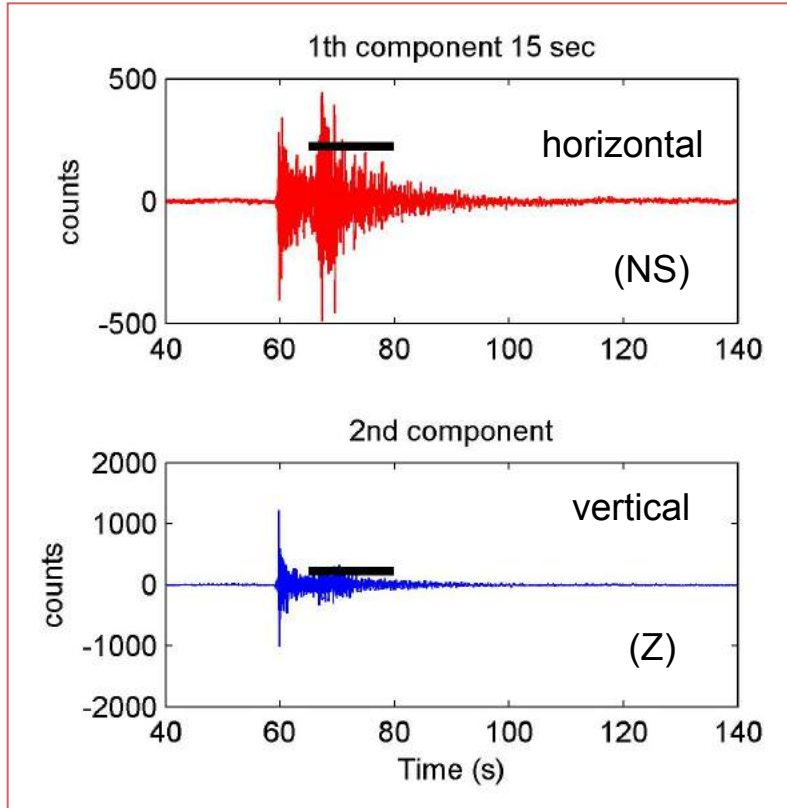
Amplification function



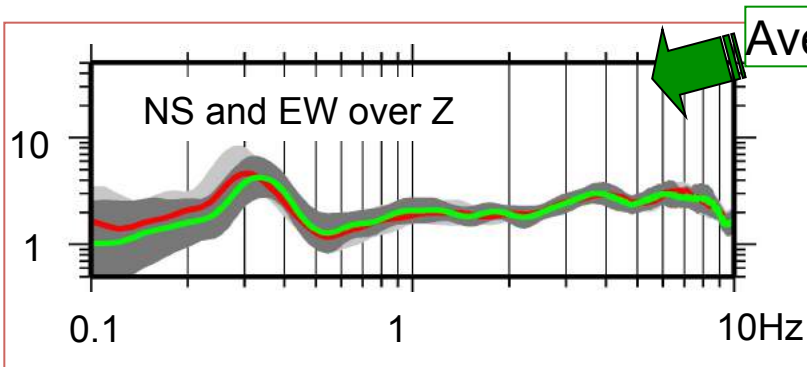
Window selection in time domain



Fourier amplitude and smoothing



$$\frac{H(f)}{Z(f)} = |H/V(f)|$$



## Reference site versus no-reference site methods

The H/V does not represent the seismic transfer function of the site.

In the case of site amplifications dominated by the vertical resonance, many studies in literature found that:

- the fundamental frequency of resonance estimated by the H/V is in good agreement with the one estimated by the SSR method
- the amplification of the H/V peak is generally a lower bound for the amplification obtained by applying the SSR method

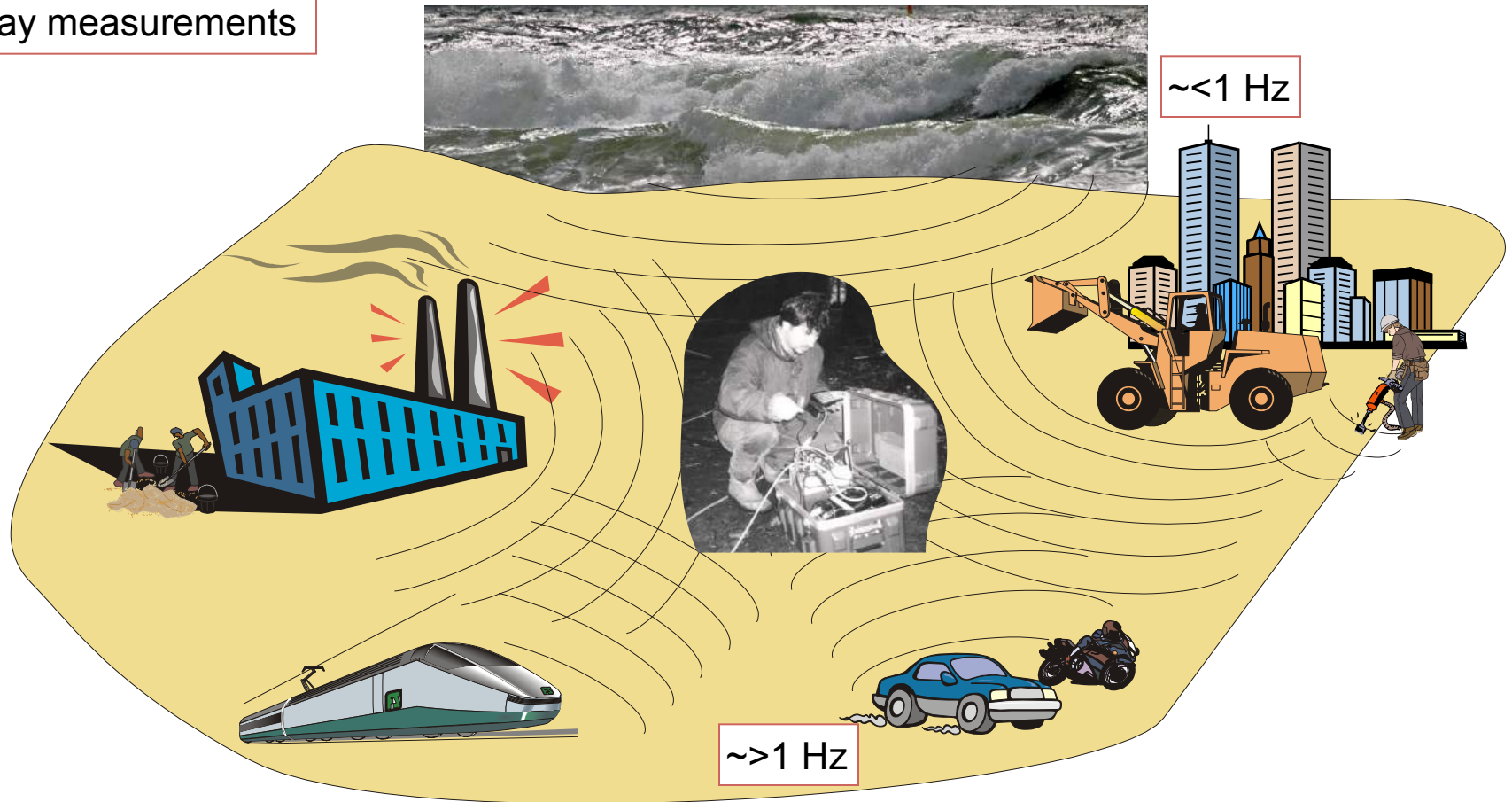
The H/V can fail in determining the amplification at frequencies larger than the fundamental one, due to amplification of the vertical component. In particular, for complex site effects (e.g. 2D-3D site effects), can fail in estimating the site amplification.



# Seismic noise analysis

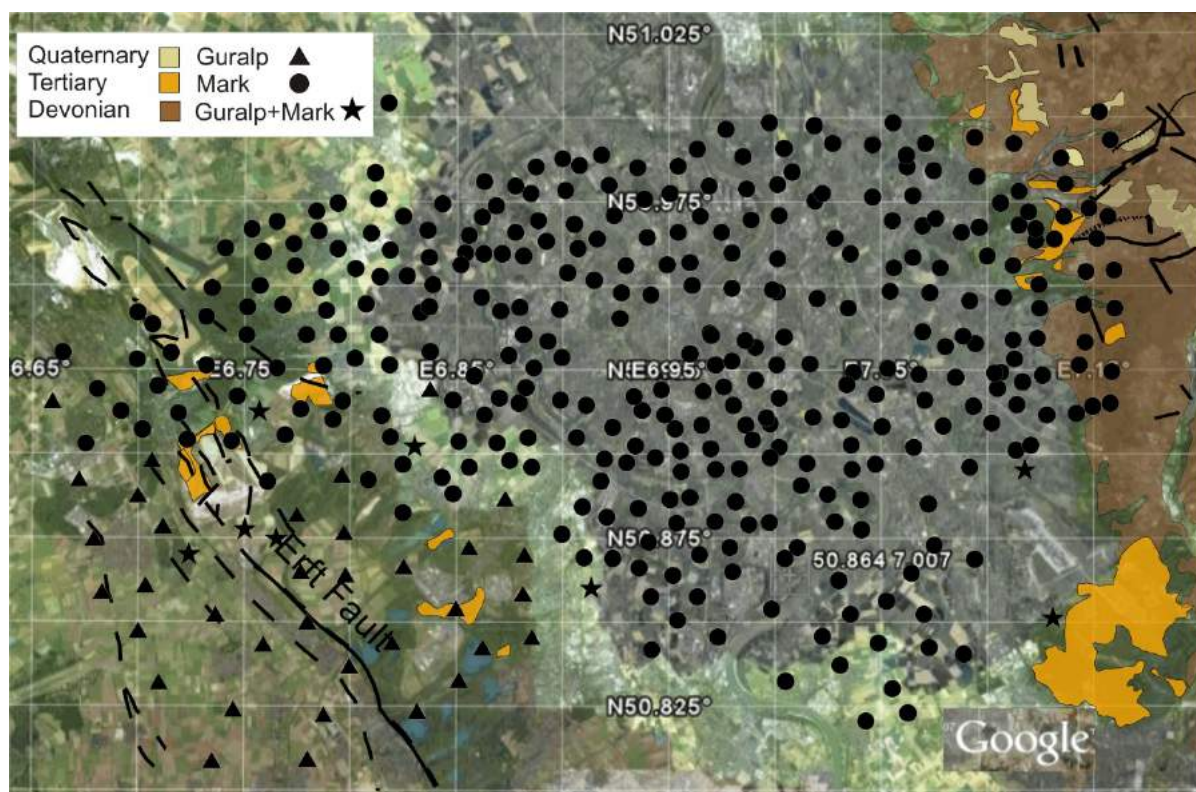
Single station noise measurements: H/V

Array measurements

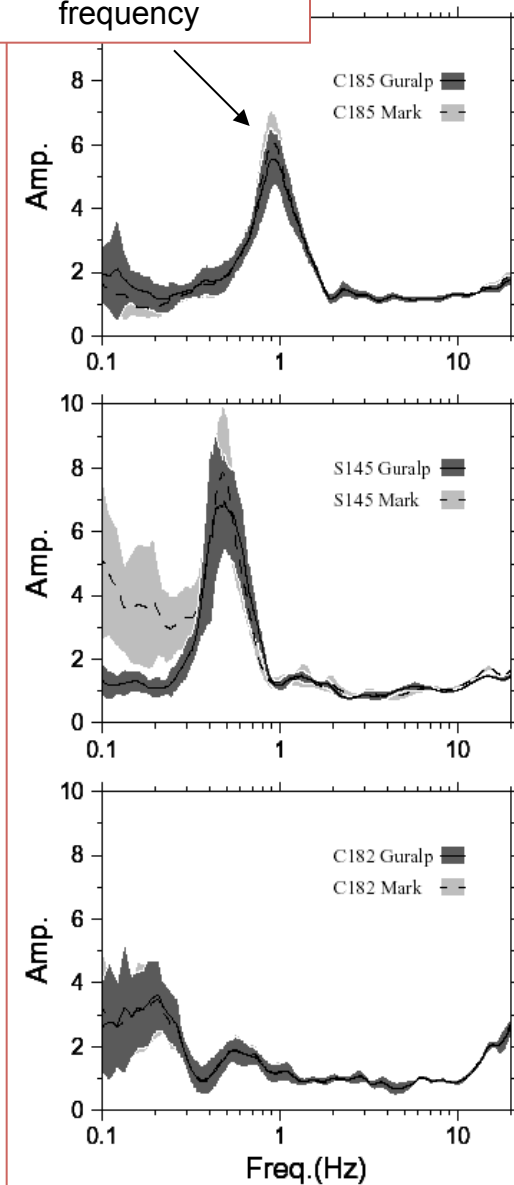


# H/V spectral ratios

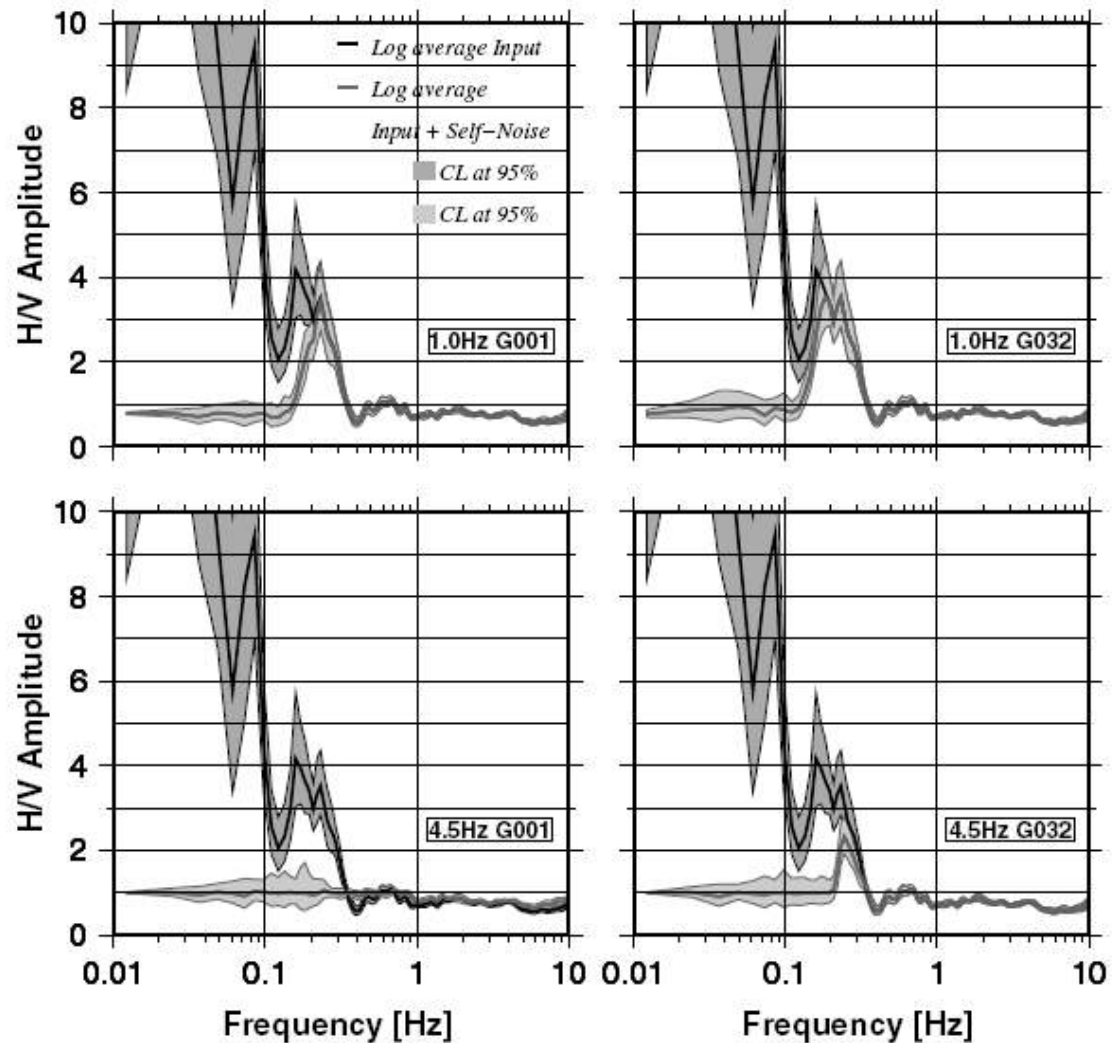
Ambient Seismic Noise



fundamental resonance frequency

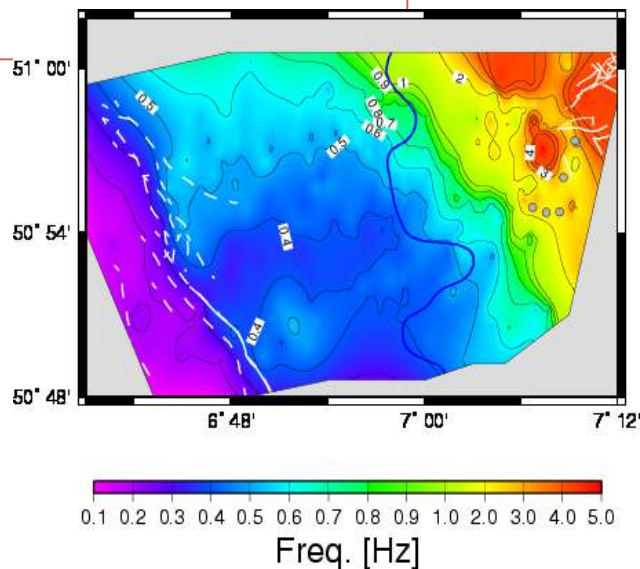
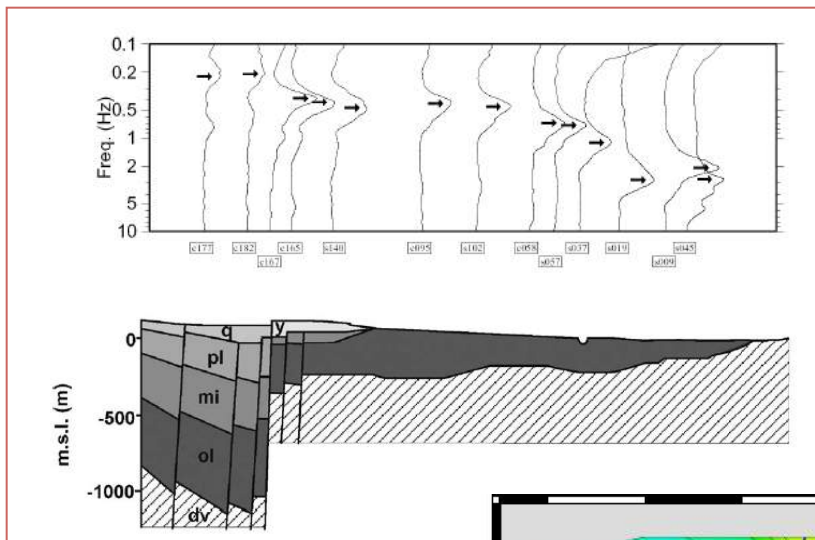


**Different instruments have different self-noise. Furthermore different sensors act as different filter! If the seismic noise is lower than the self noise it cannot be recovered!**

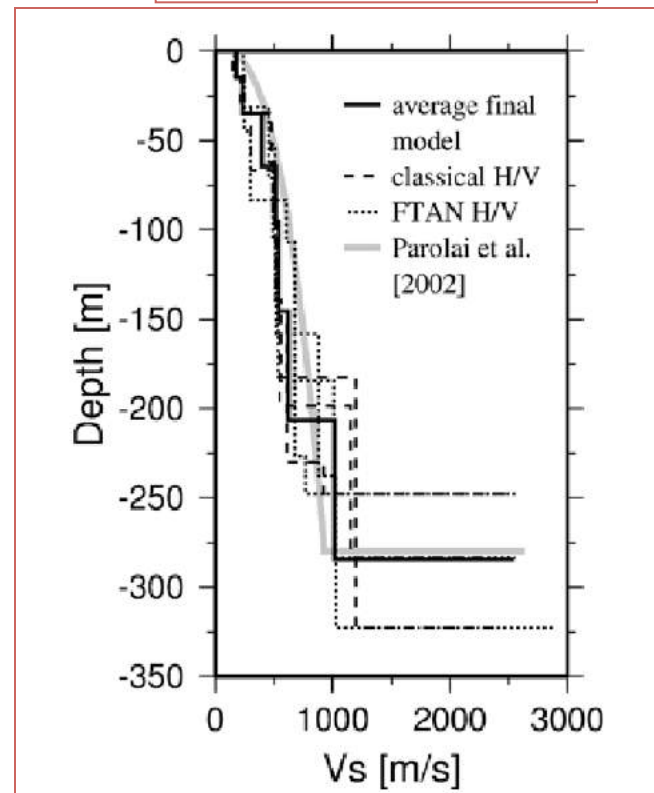


**Figure 5.** H/V spectral ratio results for the REFTEK 72 A and different SPESs. Left: Results for gain = 1. Right: Results for gain = 32. Top: Results for 1-Hz SPESs. Bottom: Results for 4.5-Hz SPESs.

# The H/V can provide important information but does not represent the seismic transfer function of the site.



S-wave velocity profile





# Using seismic noise to estimate the characteristics of a site: standard SPAC method

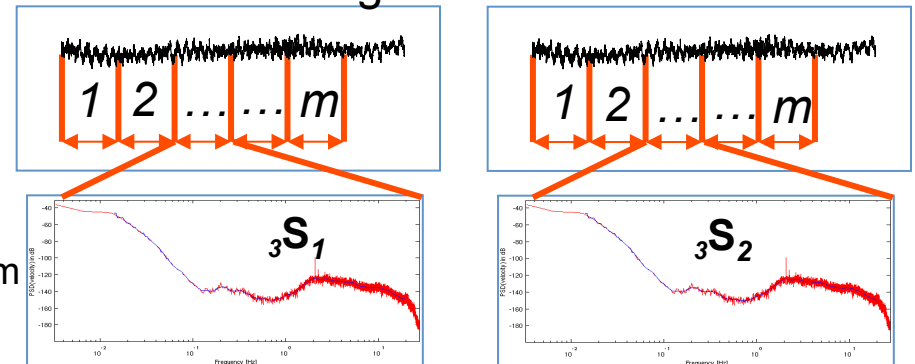
For every couple of stations (fixed the distance  $r$ ) the function  $\phi(\omega)$  can be calculated in the frequency domain by means of (Malagnini et al., 1993; Ohori et al., 2002; Okada, 2003):

$$\phi(\omega) = \frac{\frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M \text{Re}( {}_m S_{jn}(\omega) )}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M {}_m S_{jj}(\omega) \sum_{m=1}^M {}_m S_{nn}(\omega)}}$$

Zeitsign  
Fourier spektrum



1 2  
Recordings of seismic noise

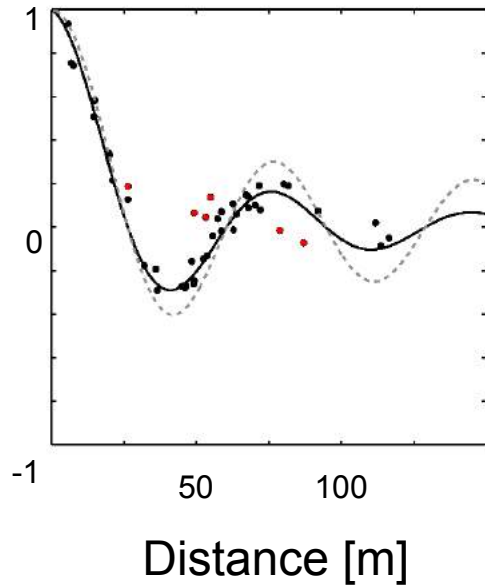


where  ${}_m S_{jn}$  is the cross-spectrum for the  $m$ th segment of data, between the  $j$ th and the  $n$ th station, and  $M$  is the total number of used segments. The power spectra of the  $m$ th segment at station  $j$  and station  $n$  are  ${}_m S_{jj}$  and  ${}_m S_{nn}$ , respectively.

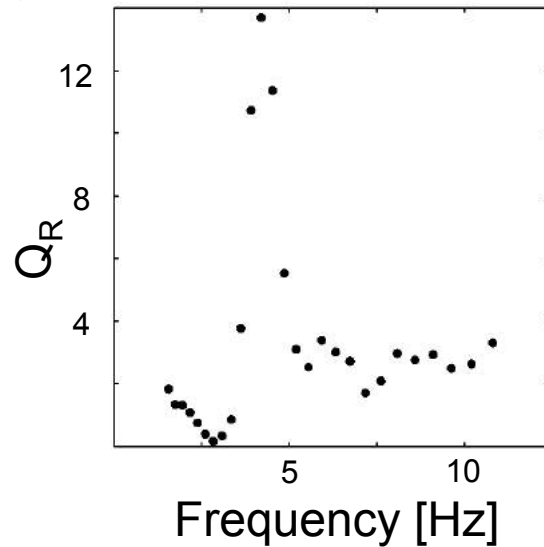
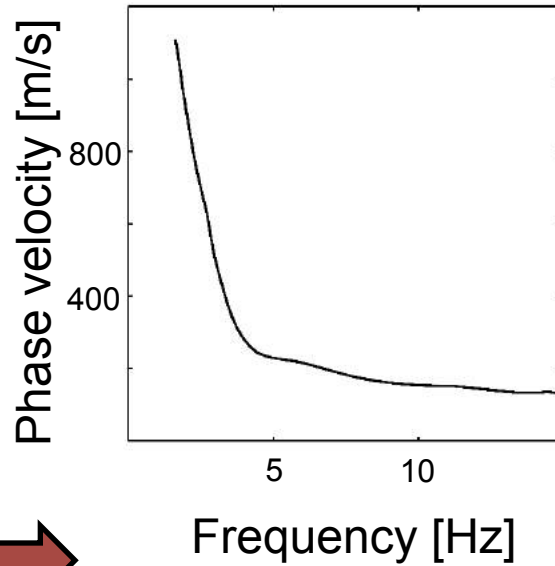
$${}_3 S_{12} = {}_3 S_{11} \cdot {}_3 S_{22}^*$$

# Estimation of the quality factor

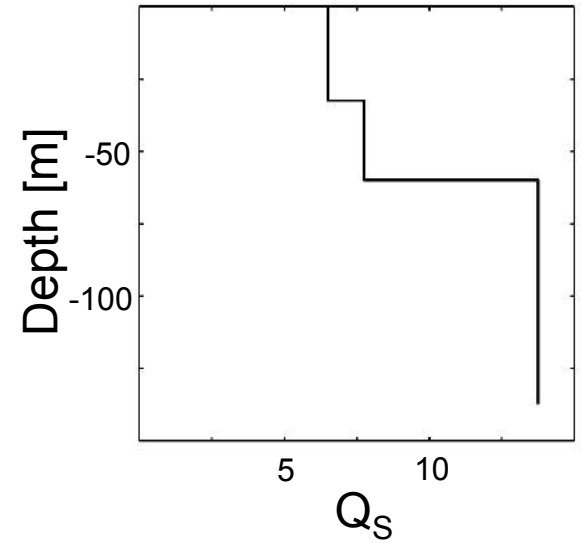
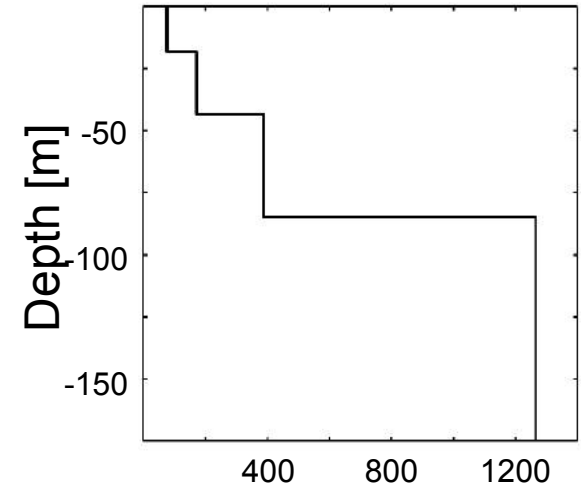
Phase velocity and alpha estimation



Dispersion and  $Q_R$  curve estimation



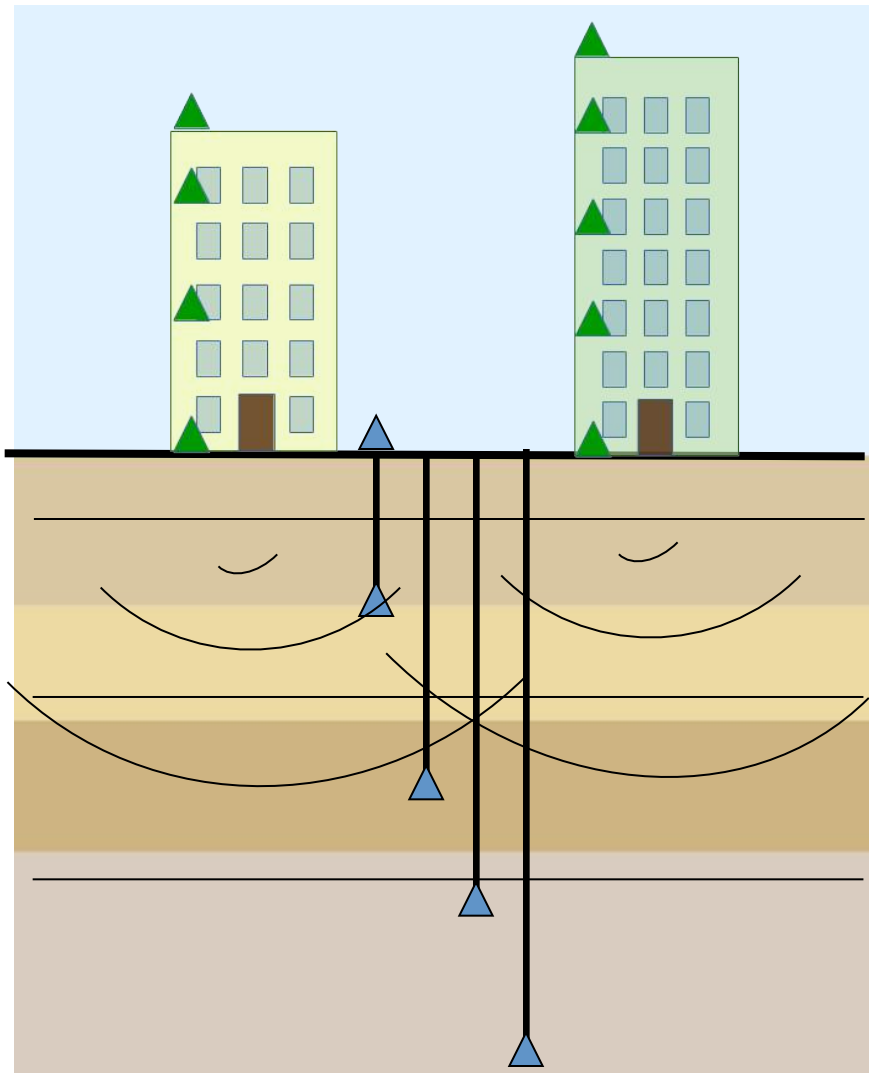
Inversion:  $V_S, Q_S$



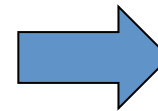
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# Studying and understanding soil-structure and site-city interactions using real data sets



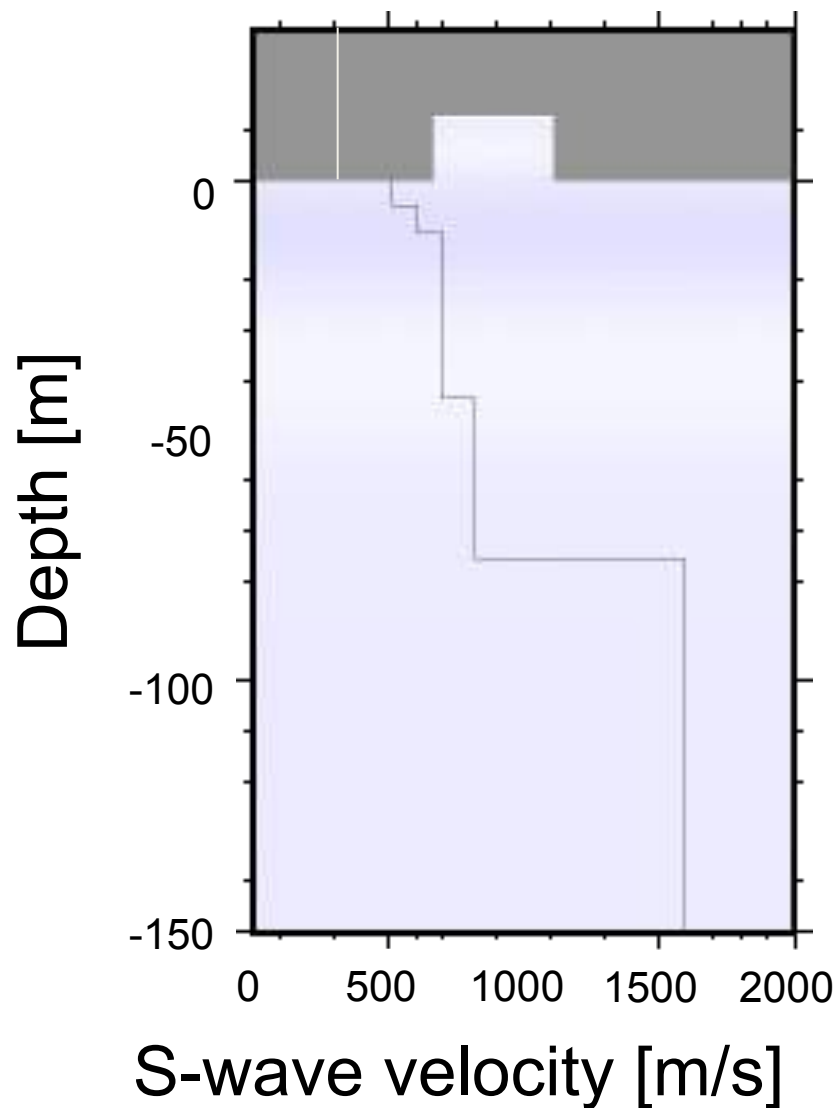
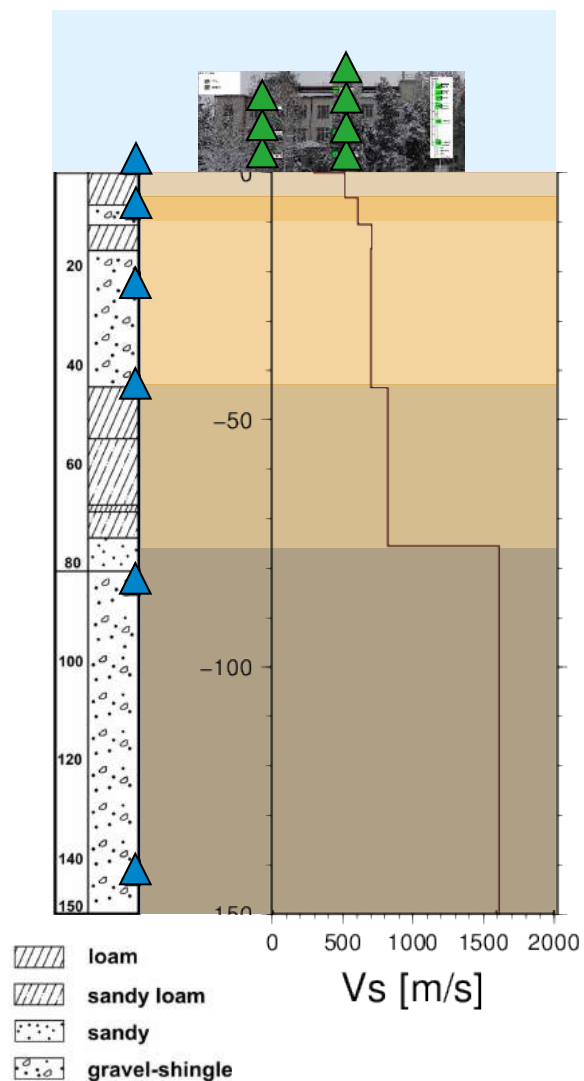
- Do built structures modify the ground motion?
- Is energy being radiated back from the building to the soil and if so, down to which depths?
- Do interactions between built structures take place through the soil?



Long term aim:  
Improvements in  
seismic risk  
assessment and  
mitigation.

Petrovic and Parolai, (2017)

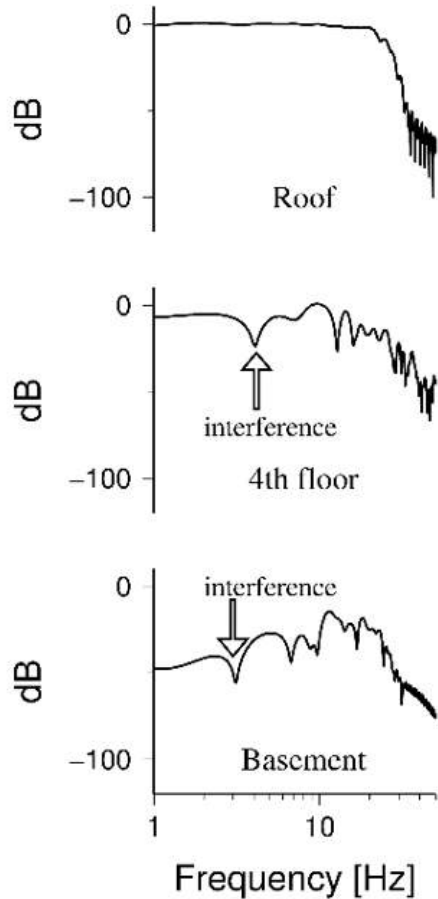
# Wave propagation through building-soil-layers



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# Deconvolution approach



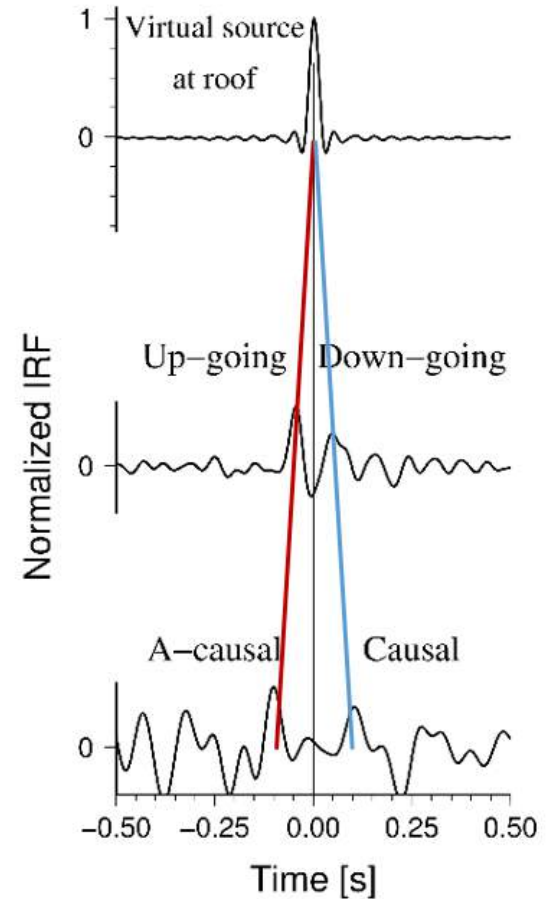
## Deconvolution

$$D(\omega) = \frac{\hat{u}(\omega)}{\hat{u}_{ref}(\omega)}$$

## Regularized deconvolution

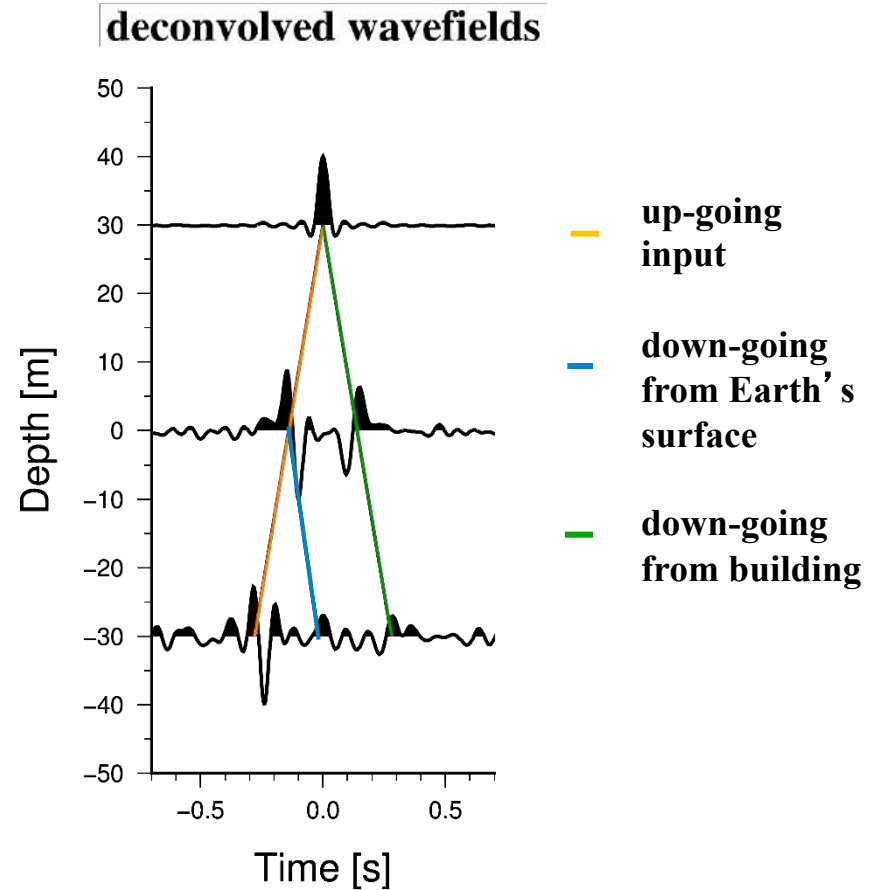
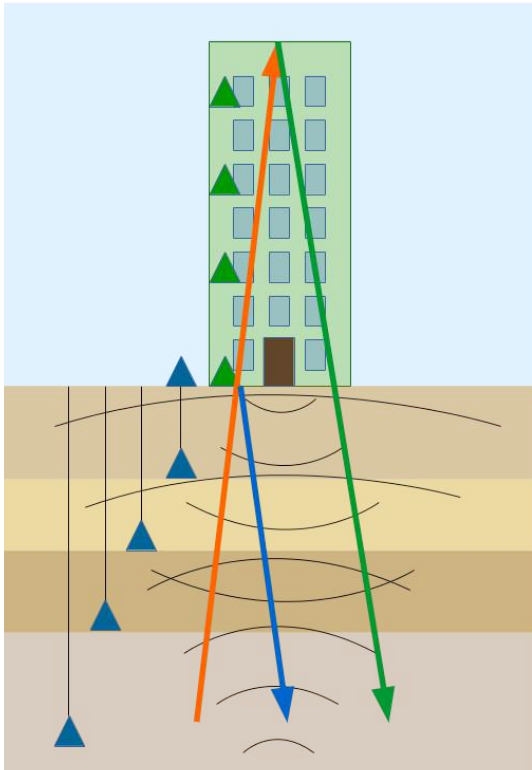
$$D(\omega) = F(\omega)\hat{u}(\omega)$$

$$F(\omega) = \frac{\hat{u}_{ref}^*(\omega)}{|\hat{u}_{ref}(\omega)|^2 + \varepsilon}$$



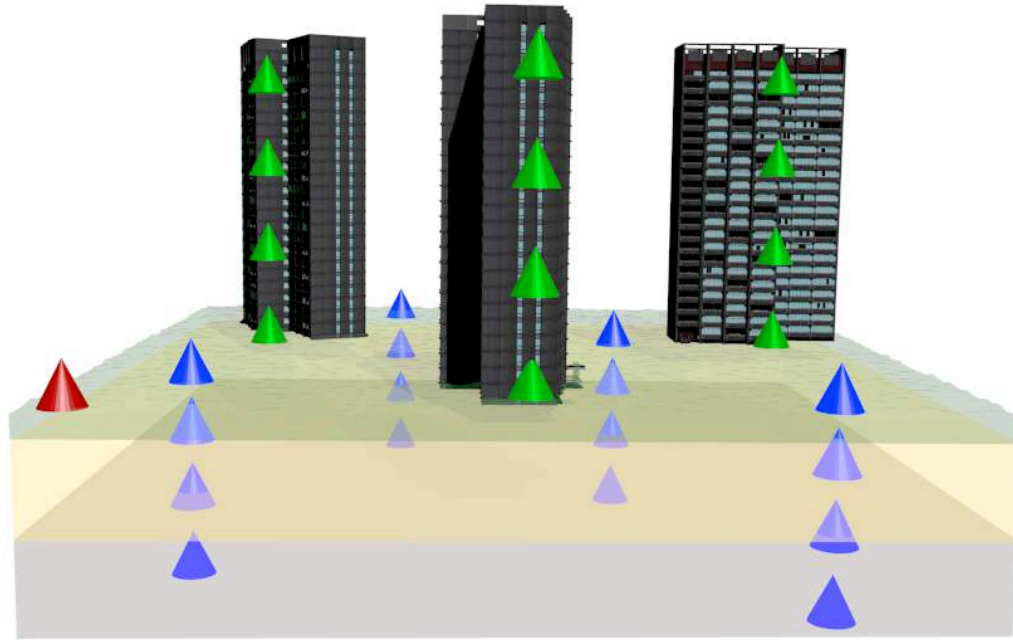
[Bindi et al., 2015]

# Methodology: Joint deconvolution of borehole and building recordings



Petrovic and Parolai, (2017)

# Outlook: Studying site-city interaction effects



Quantification of energy being radiated back contributes to a better comprehension of interactions taking place between buildings and soil

- ➔ Better understanding of already existing urban areas, identification of regions of higher seismic risk
- ➔ Improvement of the building design and planning of urban areas
- ➔ Improvements in seismic risk assessment and mitigation by taking these interactions into account

Petrovic and Parolai, (2017)

# Grazie per l'attenzione

