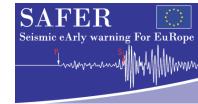
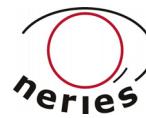




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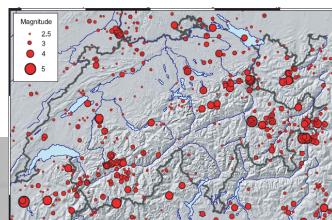


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# The European earthquake forecast testing center and suggestions for the start of a Japanese testing center

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# Summary

- European Earthquake Forecast Testing Center
  - Motivation
    - Towards introducing time-dependent hazards
    - Community-supported earthquake forecast testing
  - Recent progress
- Suggestions for the start of a Japanese testing center
  - Motivation
    - Why do we need testing center for Japan?
  - Models that can be offered from ETH side



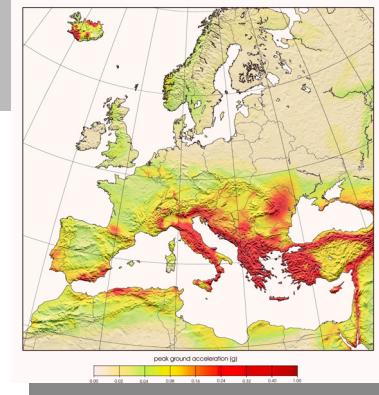
# Defining forecasting

Forecasting

Prediction

## **Level 1:** Time-independent hazard

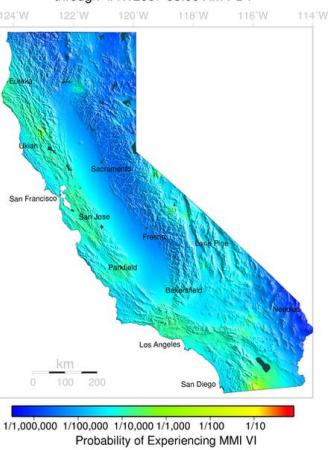
*Earthquakes are random in time*



## **Level 2:** Time-dependent hazard

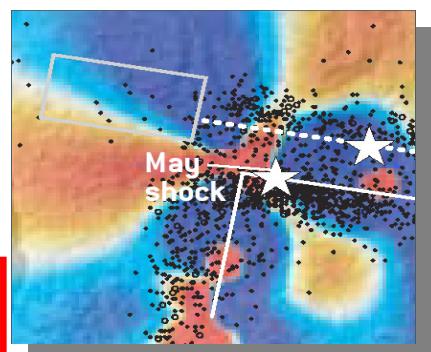
*Hazard changes with time; Includes clustering information*

Forecast for 04/16/2007 05:00 AM PDT through 04/17/2007 05:00 AM PDT



## **Level 3:** Earthquake forecasting

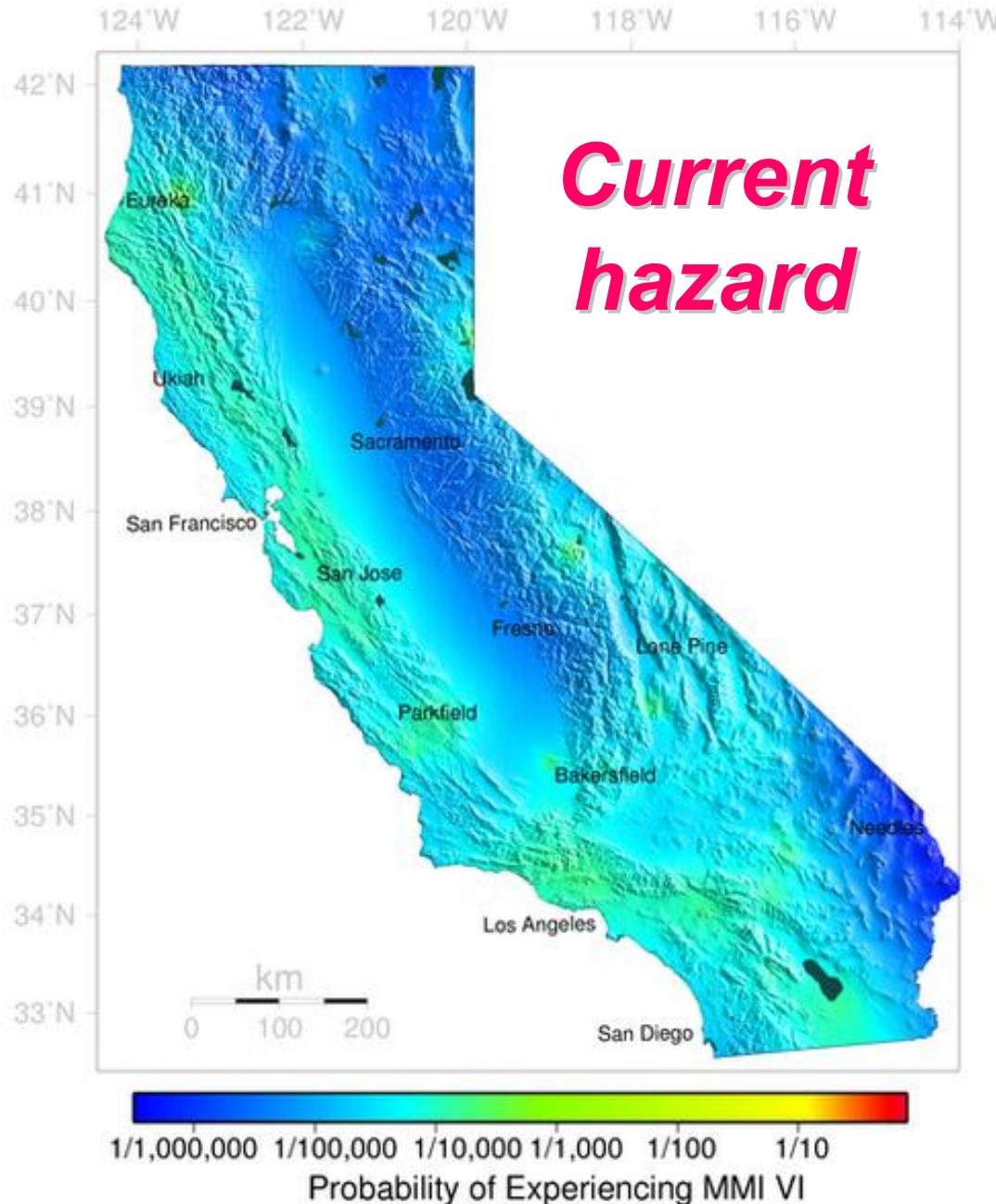
*Includes a physical basis and connection beyond clustering*



## **Level 4:** Deterministic prediction

*Reliably know in advance earthquake time, magnitude and location*

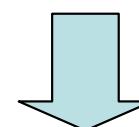
Forecast for 07/17/2008 07:00 PM PDT  
through 7/18/2008 07:00 PM PDT



The probability of strong shaking

- Within the next 24-hours.
- Modified Mercalli Intensity (MMI) VI

If you want to know the most recent hazard

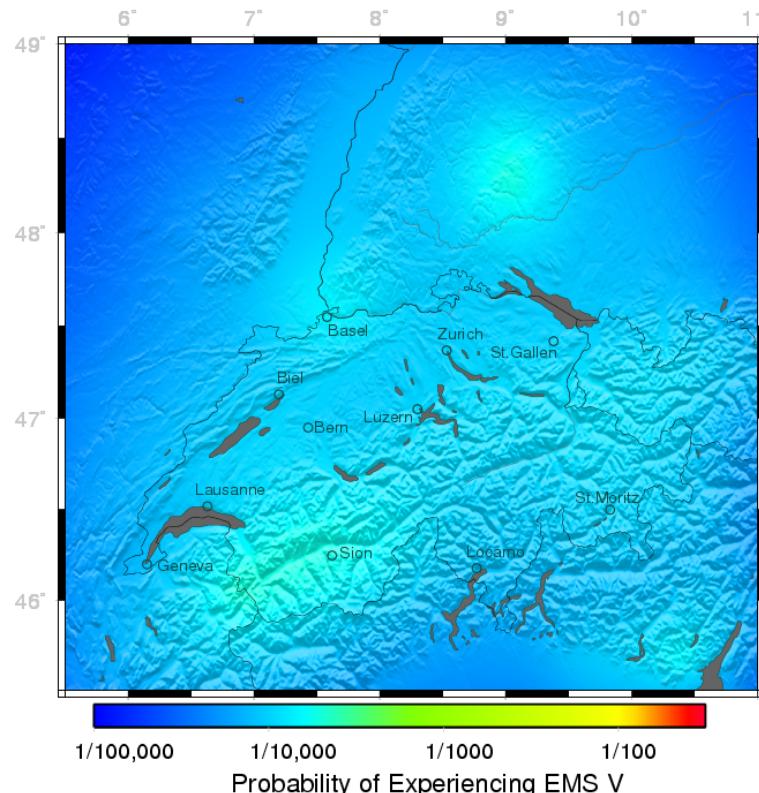


(Gerstenberger et. al., 2005,  
<http://pasadena.wr.usgs.gov/step>)

## Short Term Earthquake Probability Switzerland (Woessner et al.)

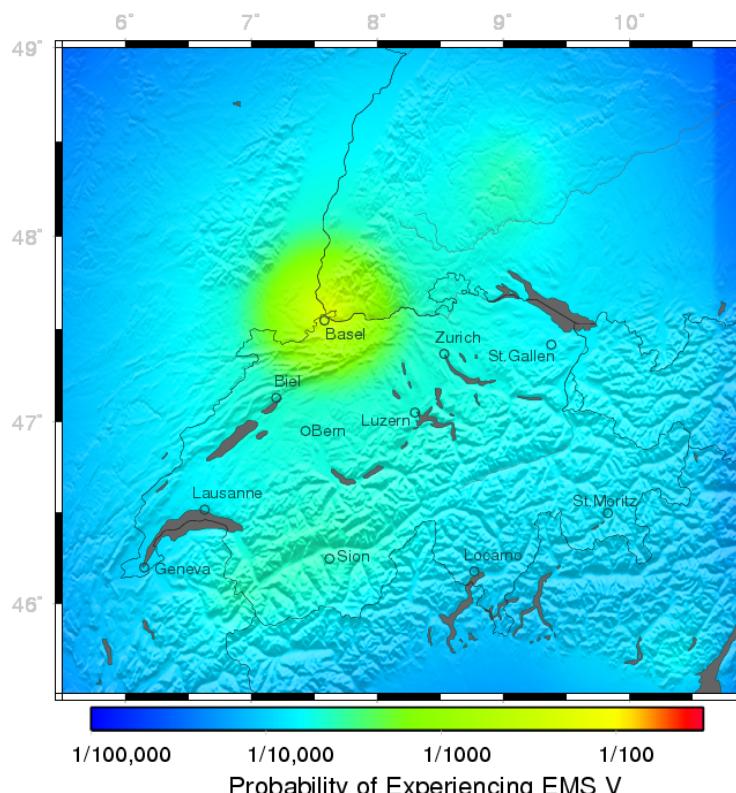
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24-hours.



# The need for testing centers

**If we use time-dependent hazard assessment,  
giving the results in a webpage**

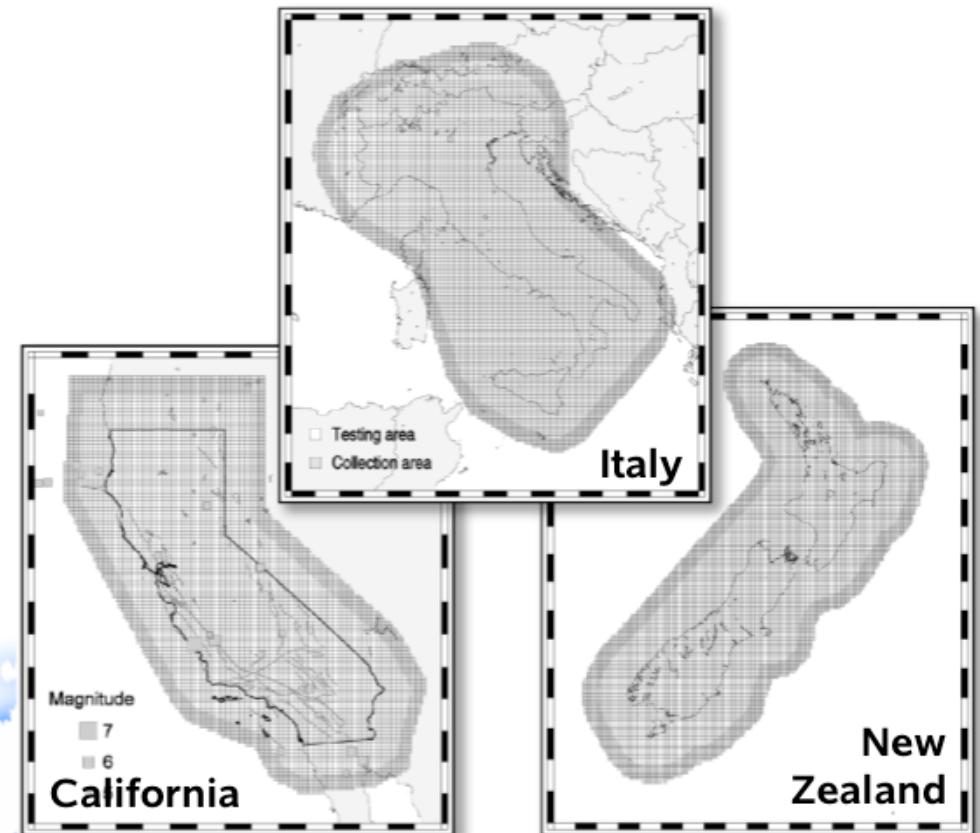
- 1. Dealing with an issue of great societal relevance***
- 2. Rigorous testing to validate test models***
- 3. Peer review is not enough for this test***
- 4. Establishing community-supported testing centers***



# CSEP Development

(January 1, 2008)

CSEP V1.0 is being installed at the ETHZ and GNS testing centers and testing is beginning in New Zealand and Italy



**Japan ?**

**China ?**

**Global ?**

Testing Regions



From Jordan et al. 2008

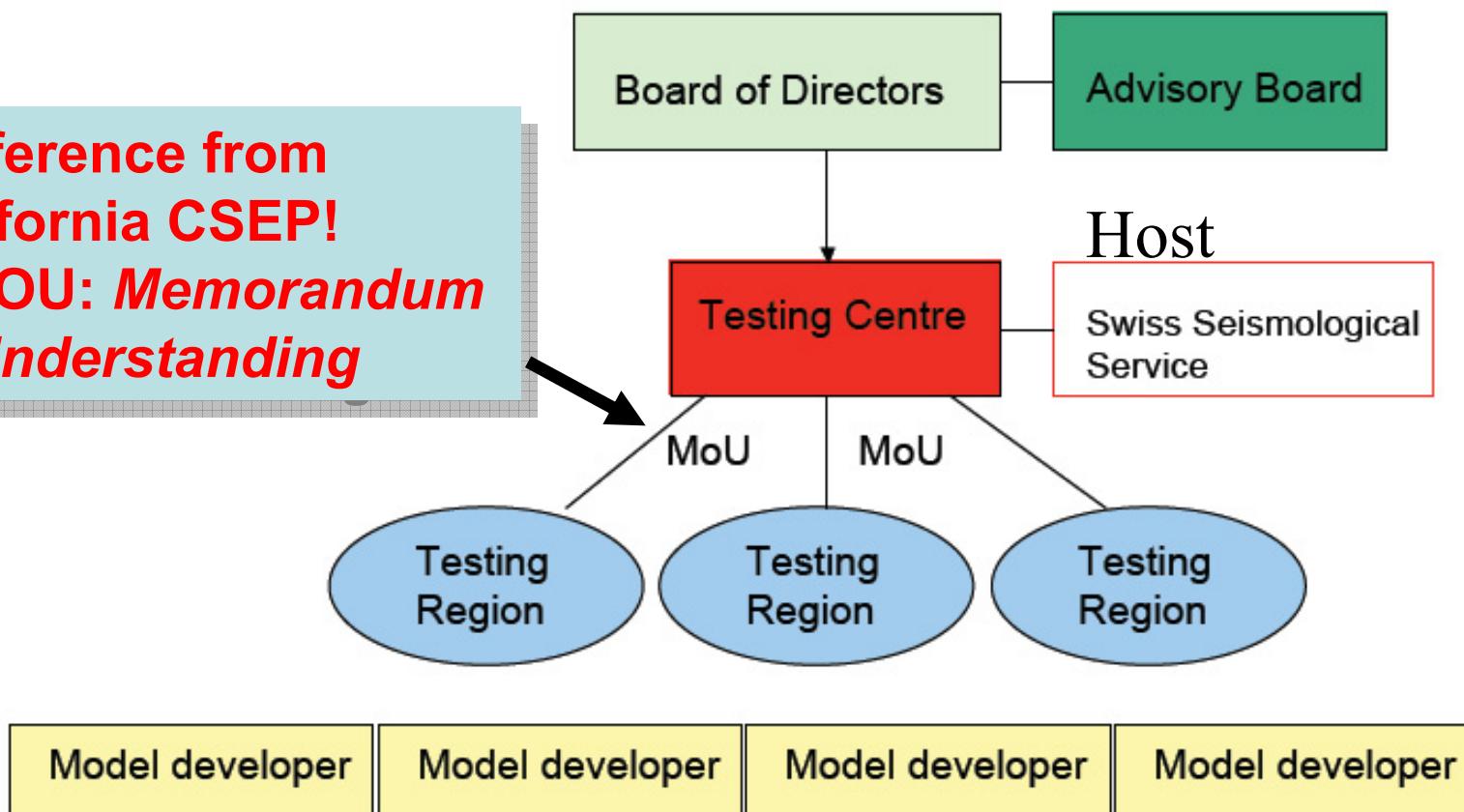


# Goals of the European Earthquake Forecast Testing Center (EEFTEC)

- Host multiple testing regions
- Allow testing of earthquake hazard models
- Promote earthquake hazard model development

# EEFTEC, the European Earthquake Forecast Centre Organisational chart

•Difference from  
California CSEP!  
→MOU: *Memorandum  
of Understanding*



# Where are testing regions?

All Europe?

70.0°N

Iceland?

60.0°N

50.0°N

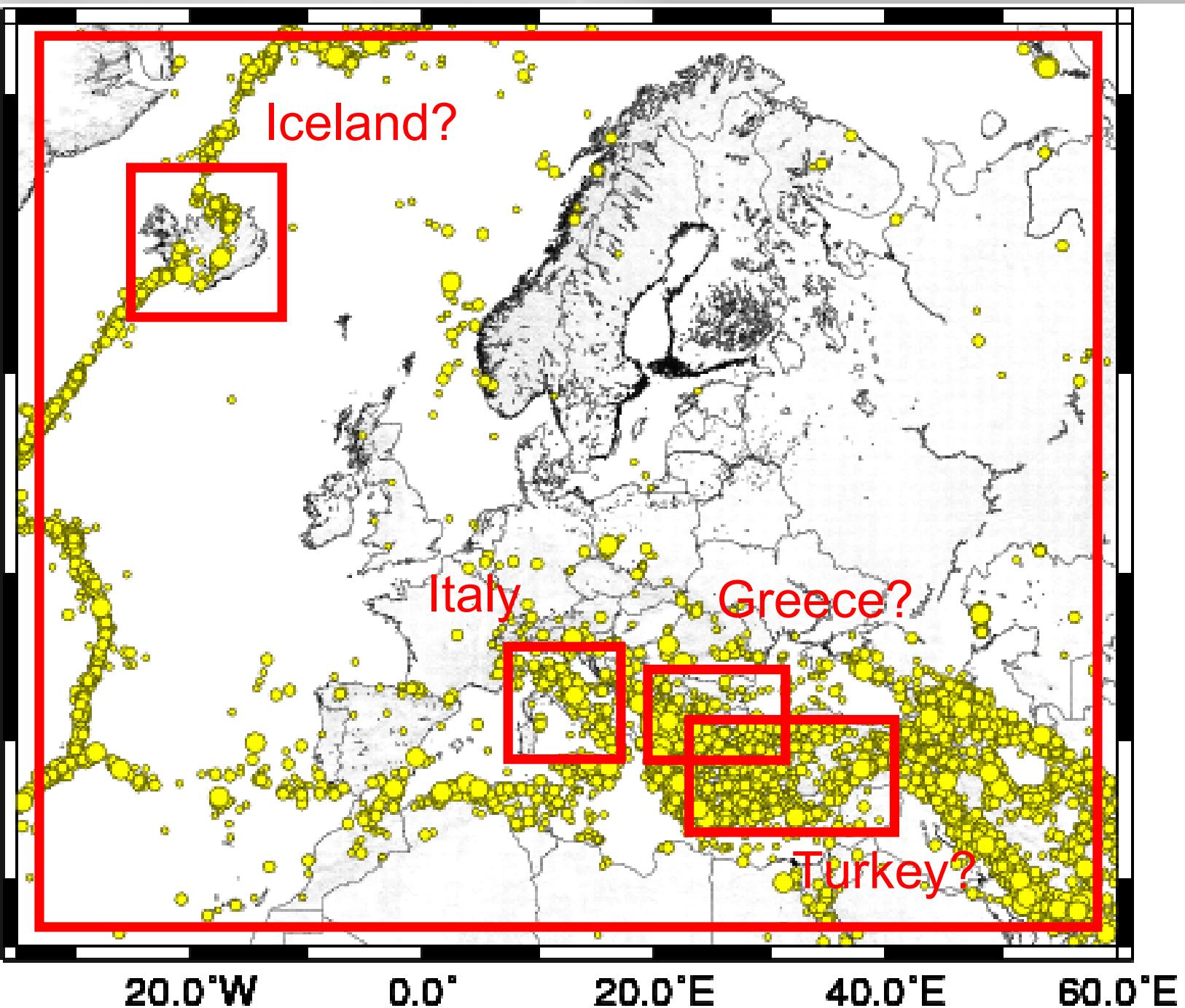
40.0°N

30.0°N

Italy

Greece?

Turkey?



## Data

- INVG catalogue
- Completeness:  $M = 3.7$

## Testing area

- mainland Italy and Sicily (see figure)

## Forecast models (in preparation)

- ETAS (Console/Murru)
- STEP-Italy (Woessner et al.)
- ETAS (Marzocchi & Lombardi)
- Non-stationary ETAS (M&L)
- Abundance-STEP (Christophersen & Gerstenberger)

## Forecast periods

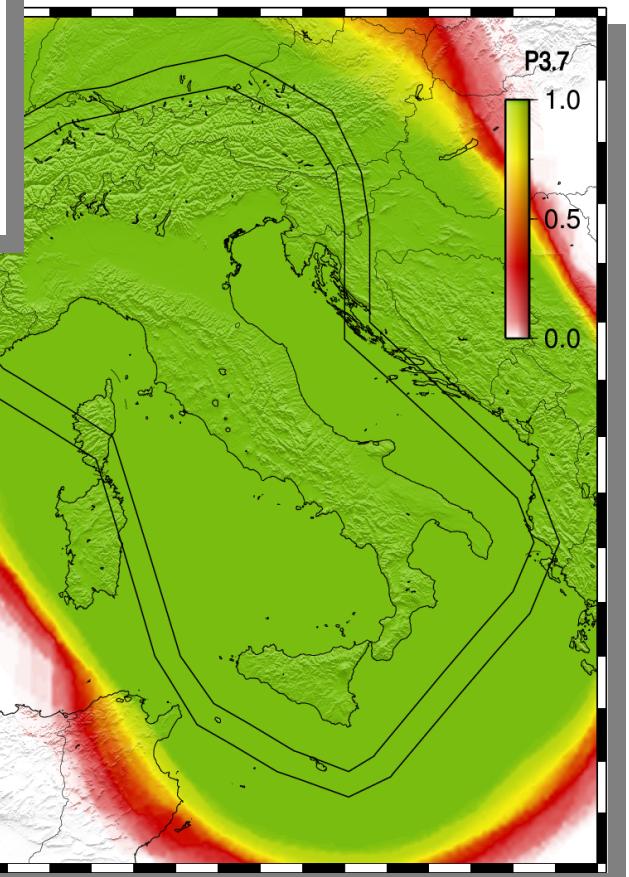
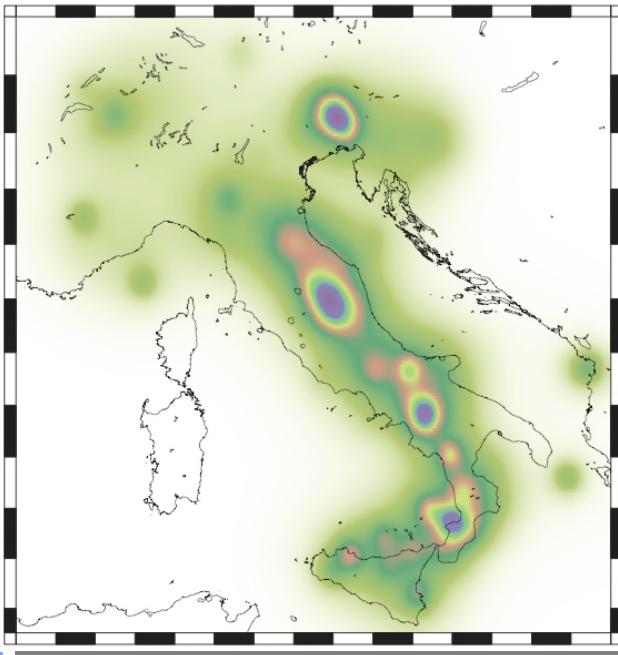
- 1 day
- 3 months
- 5 years

## Testing algorithms

- CSEP N-, L-, R- tests

## Next steps

- Modeller's workshop October 2008



Model development Italy  
(Marzocchi et al.)

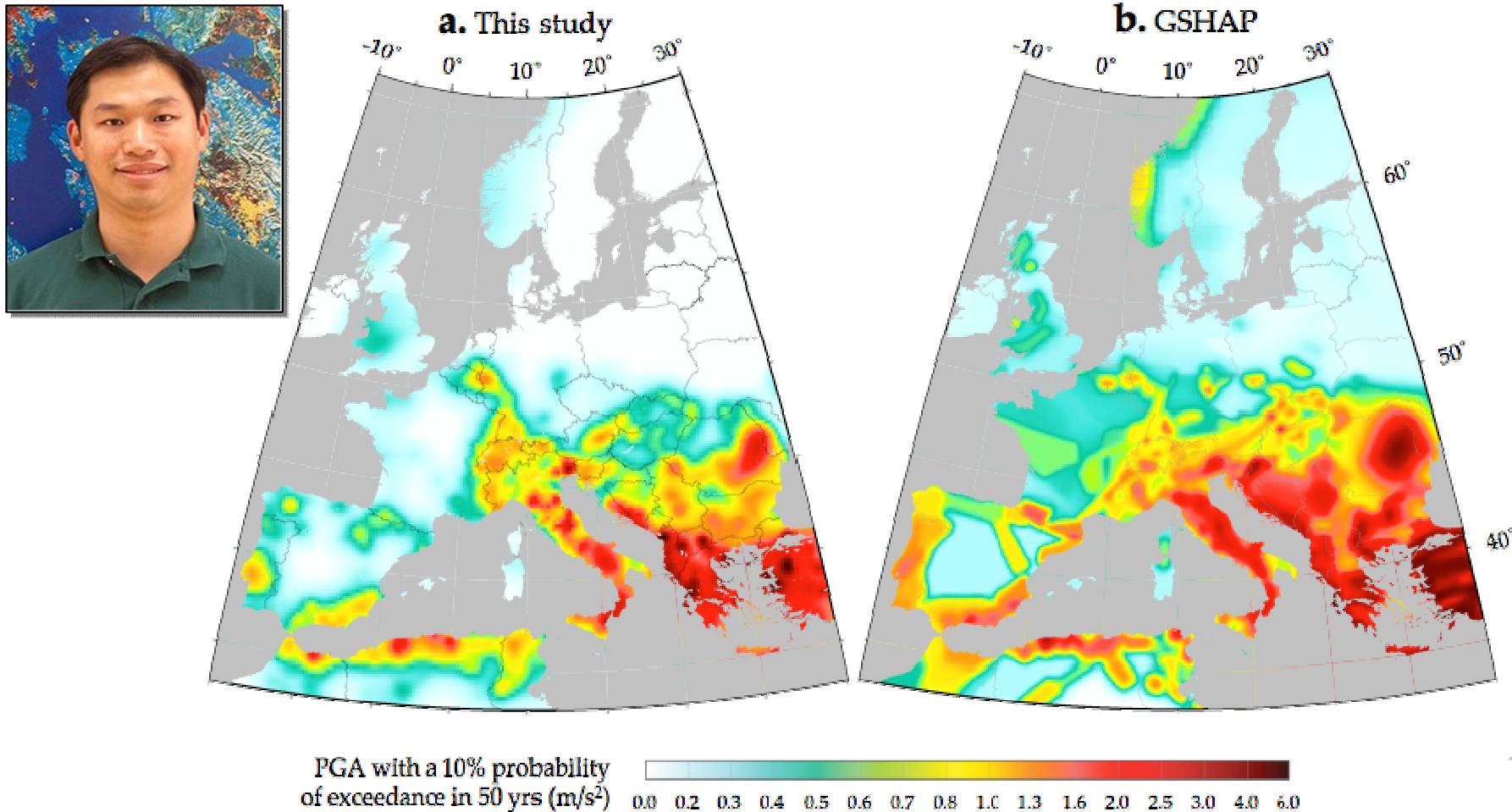
Completeness Study  
(Schorlemmer et al.)



# The challenges

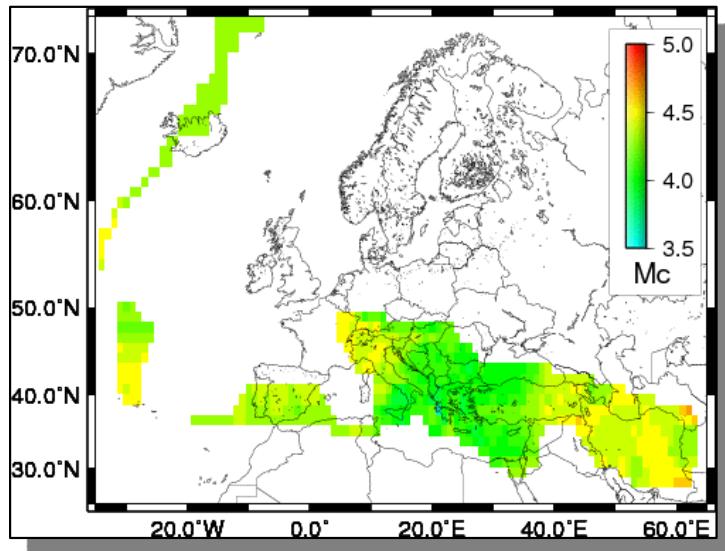
- No obvious authoritative catalogs
  - PDE, ISC, EMSC, IDC ...
- Non-uniform magnitude determination
  - Mb, Ms, MI, Mw
- Model development and forecasting in low seismicity regions.
- Sparse network coverage in various regions.

- **Hybrid Zoneless Approach** to construct a homogeneous model at a European scale with the limited resources, using refined smoothed hazard
- This model can be used for a background model for Europe



Han Chan and Gottfried Gruenthal (2008)

# Long-term forecast model

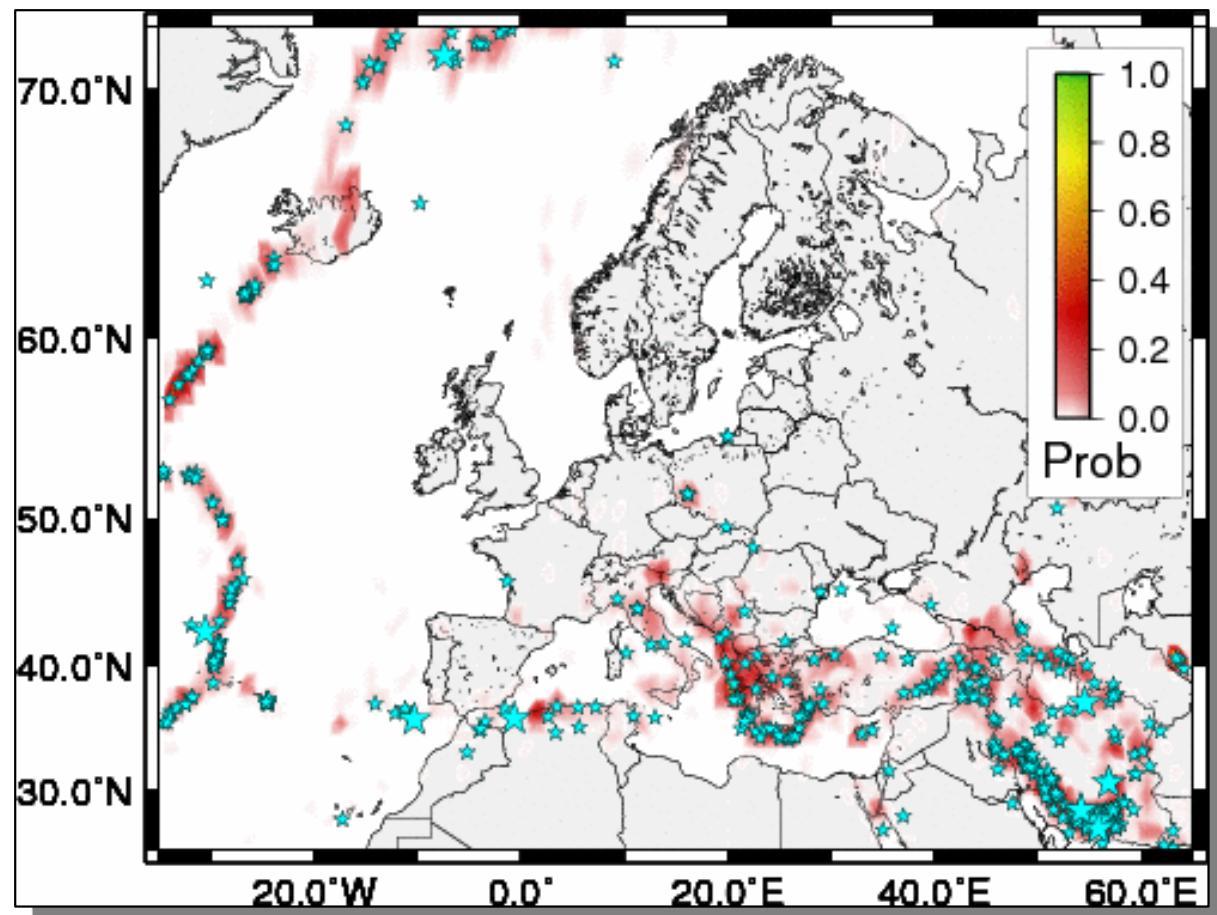


Mc estimate



Nanjo &amp; Ozturk et al.

- Forecast for Europe for 2004 - 2008 with Relative Intensity (RI) method, based on the seismicity in 1973-2003
- Stars show events with  $M>4.5$  in 2004-2008
- PDE catalog used



## Retrospective testing to forecast aftershock sequences



### 1992 Landers case (Woessner et al., 2008)



Statistical models

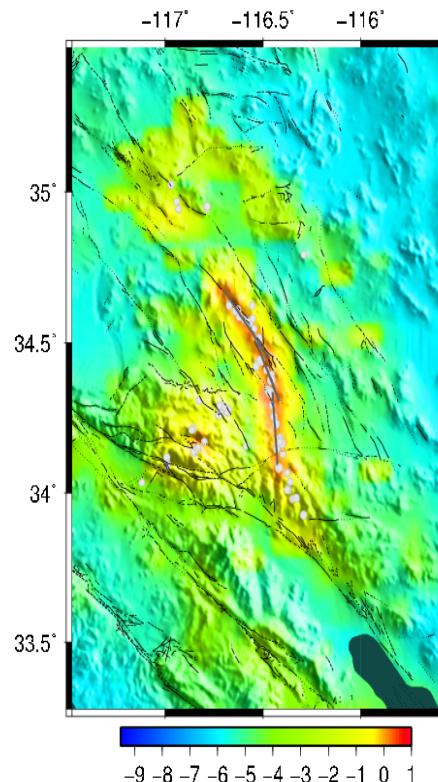
M-STEP-1

ETAS-2

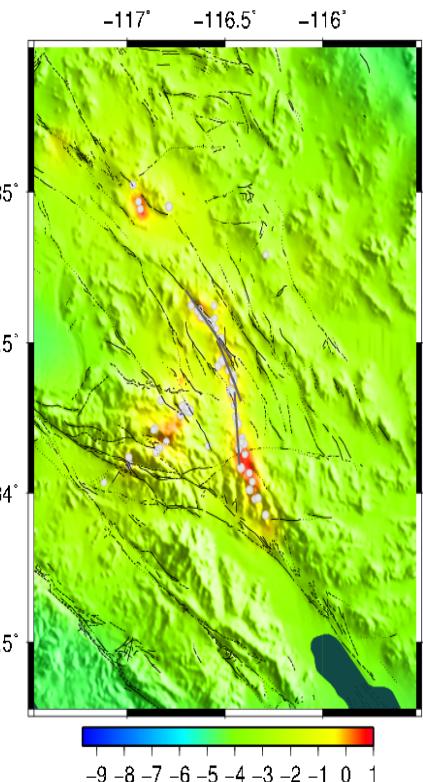
Physics-based models

CRS-1

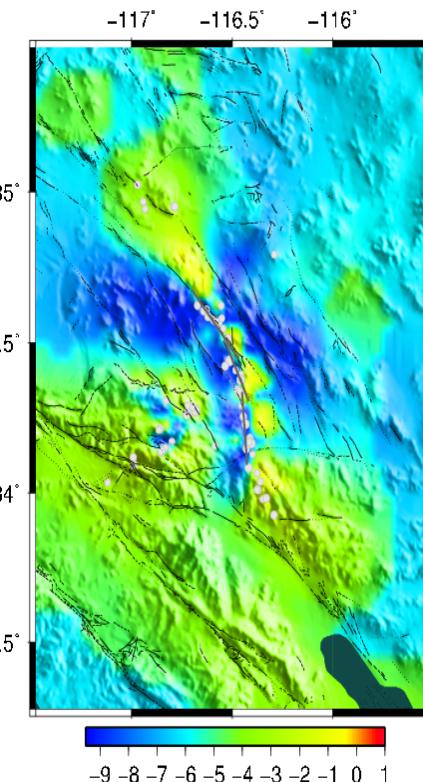
CRS-3



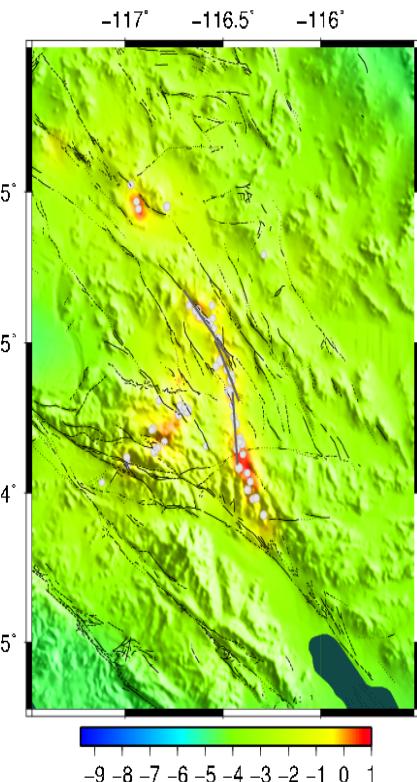
mod. STEP  
trig. M>2.5



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uniform backg.



spec. receiver faults  
reference seismicity  
OOP stress heterogen.



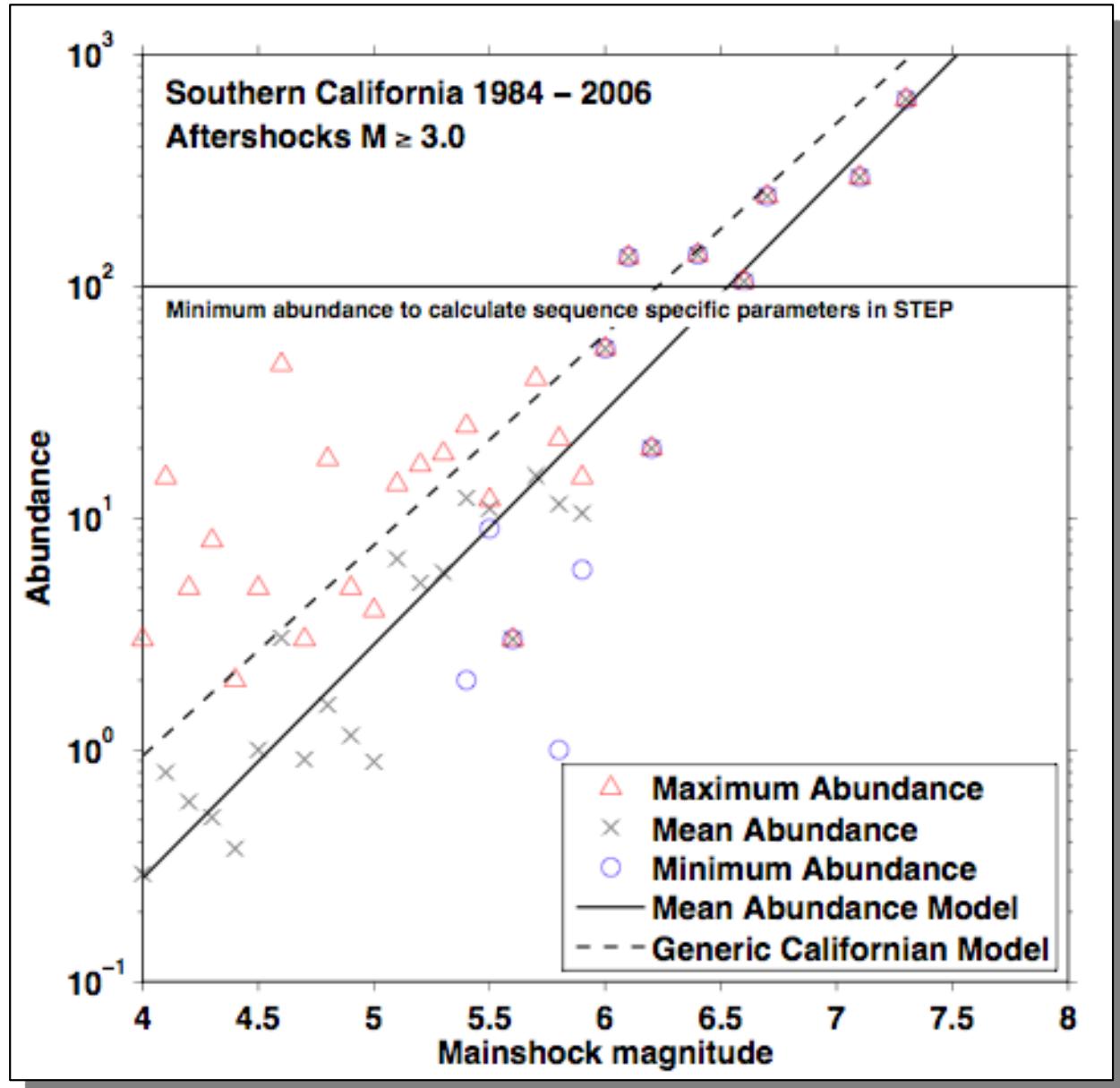
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# Short-term forecasts

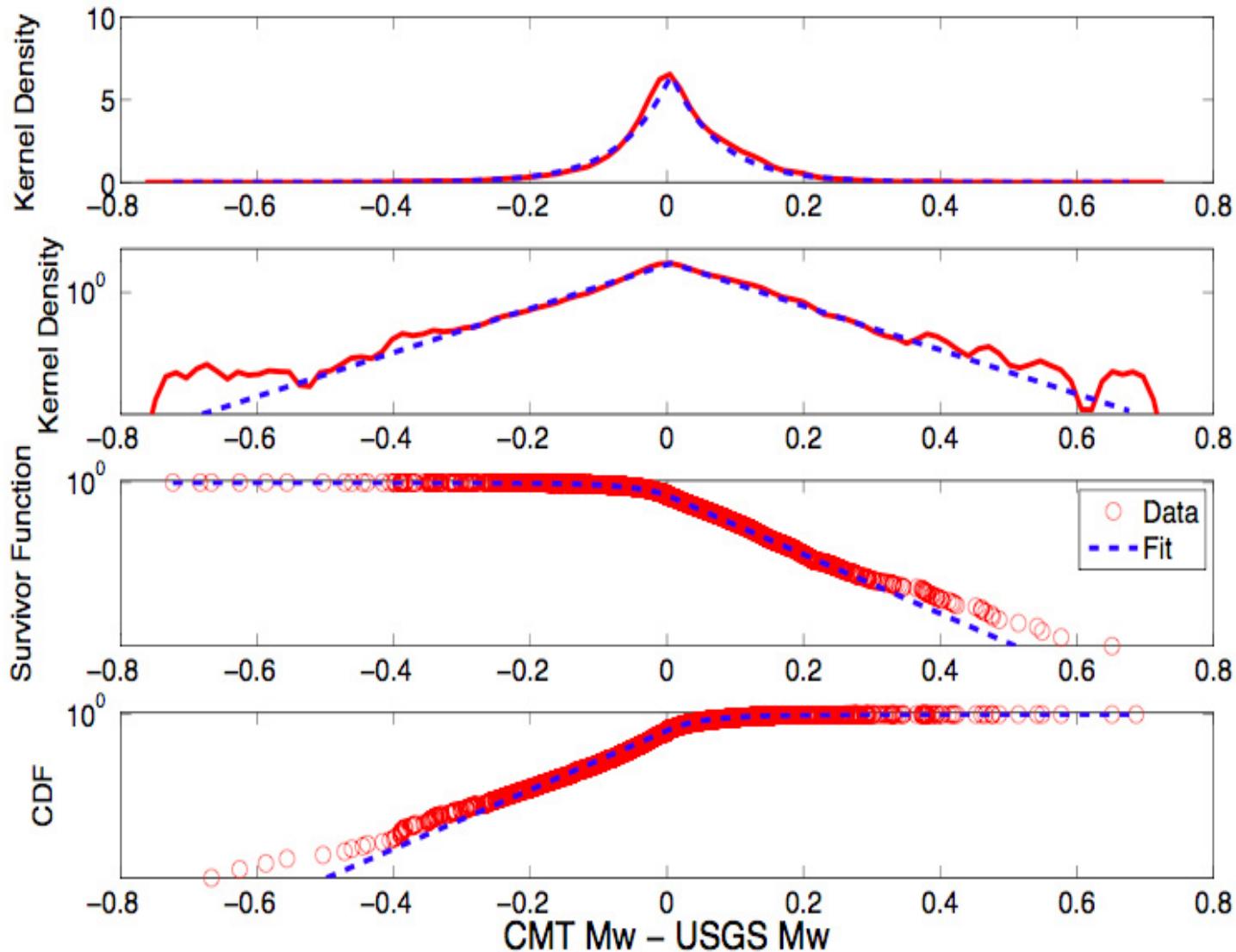
Christophersen et al., 2008



- The mean abundance for aftershocks  $M \geq 3.0$  within the time period 0.1 – 5 days after the mainshock.



## Distribution of magnitude estimate differences



Laplace distribution:

$$p_{\nu}(\nu) = \frac{1}{2\nu_c} \exp\left(-\frac{|\nu|}{\nu_c}\right)$$

## 1. *Completeness magnitude*

- Magnitude of the smallest events completely detected by the network

## 2. *Wrong completeness estimate affects*

- Basic seismic parameters (b-value, seismicity rate)
- Hazard

## 3. *Microseismicity has information on forecasting future large events*

- ETAS, PI, ALM models and so on

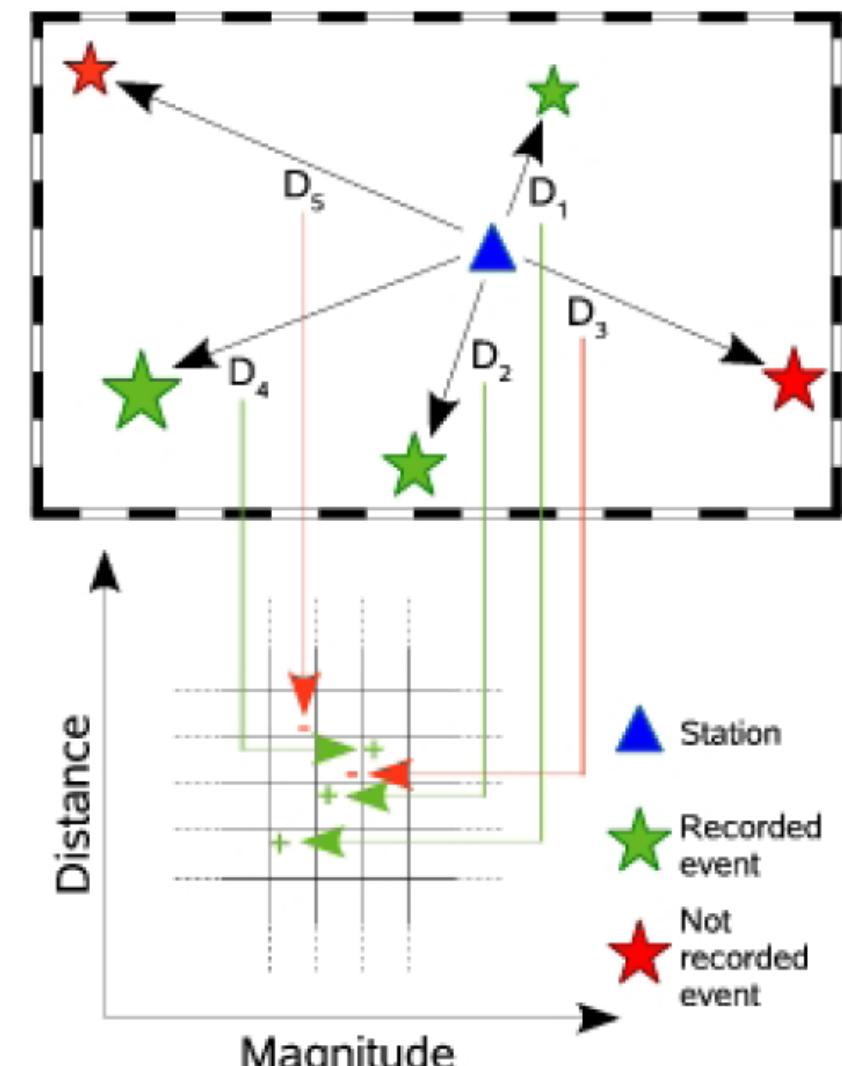
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***Essential starting point for rigorous testing***

# Probabilistic magnitude of completeness, $M_P$

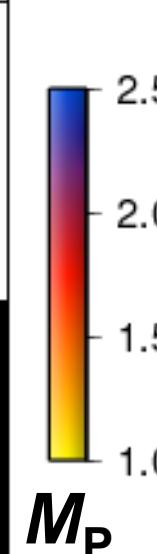
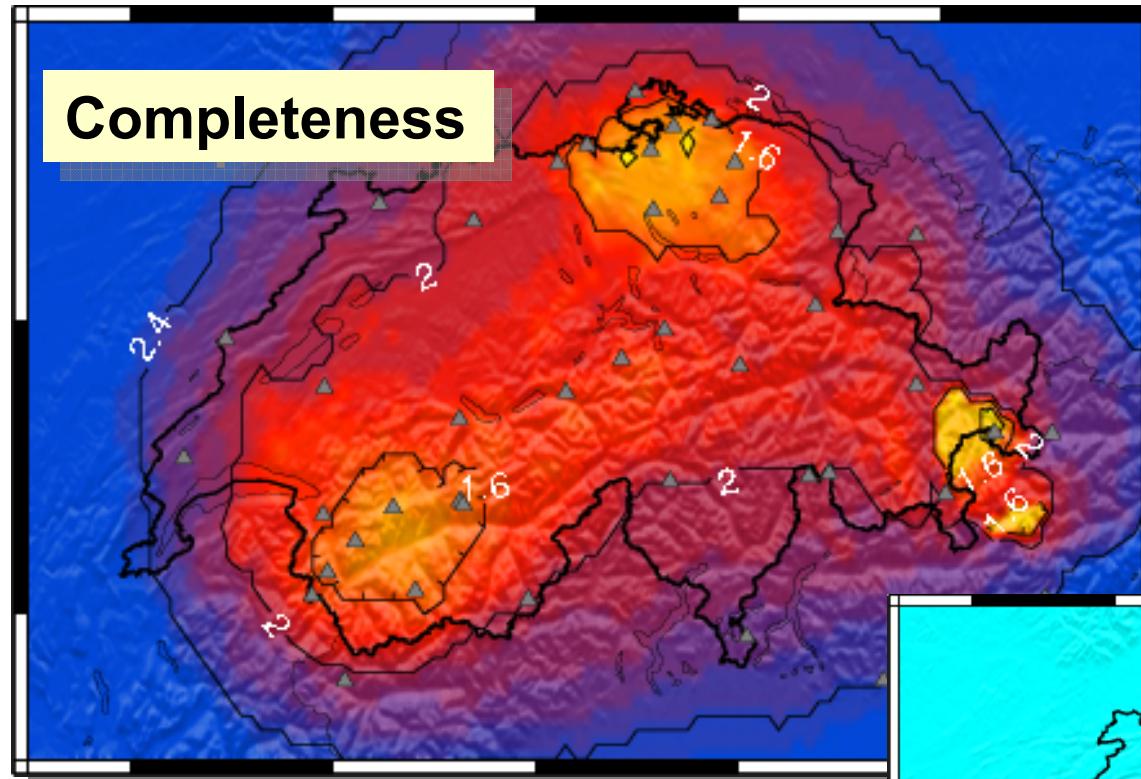
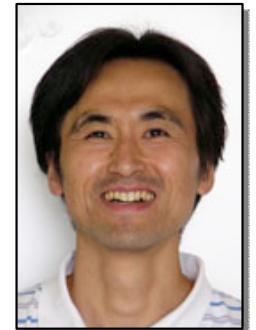
Schorlemmer & Woessner (2008)

- Method
  - Uses empirical data
    - Phase-pick
    - Station info.
  - No assumption of GR law
- In order to check how the method works on low seismicity regions, we consider Switzerland as an example



# Completeness and uncertainty maps

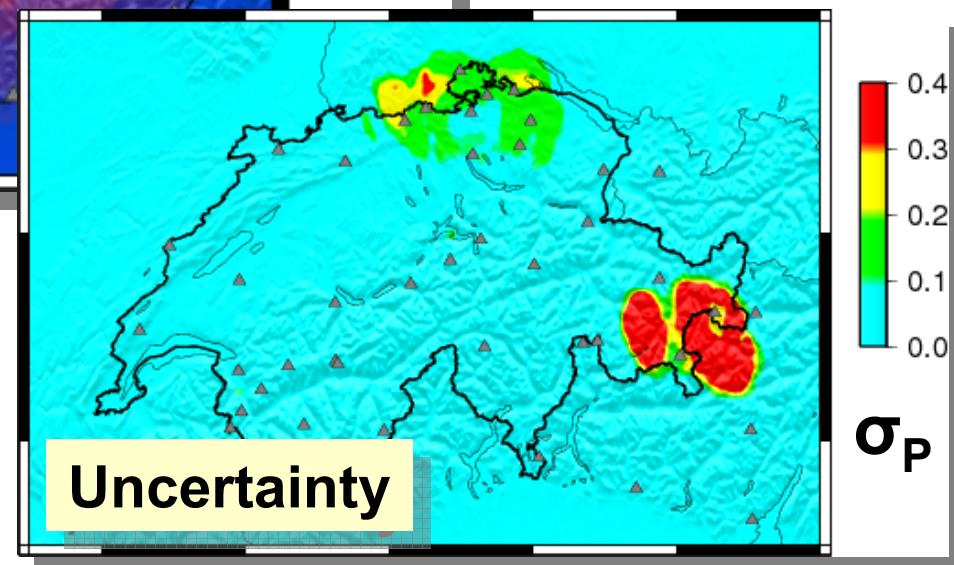
at Apr. 1, 2008



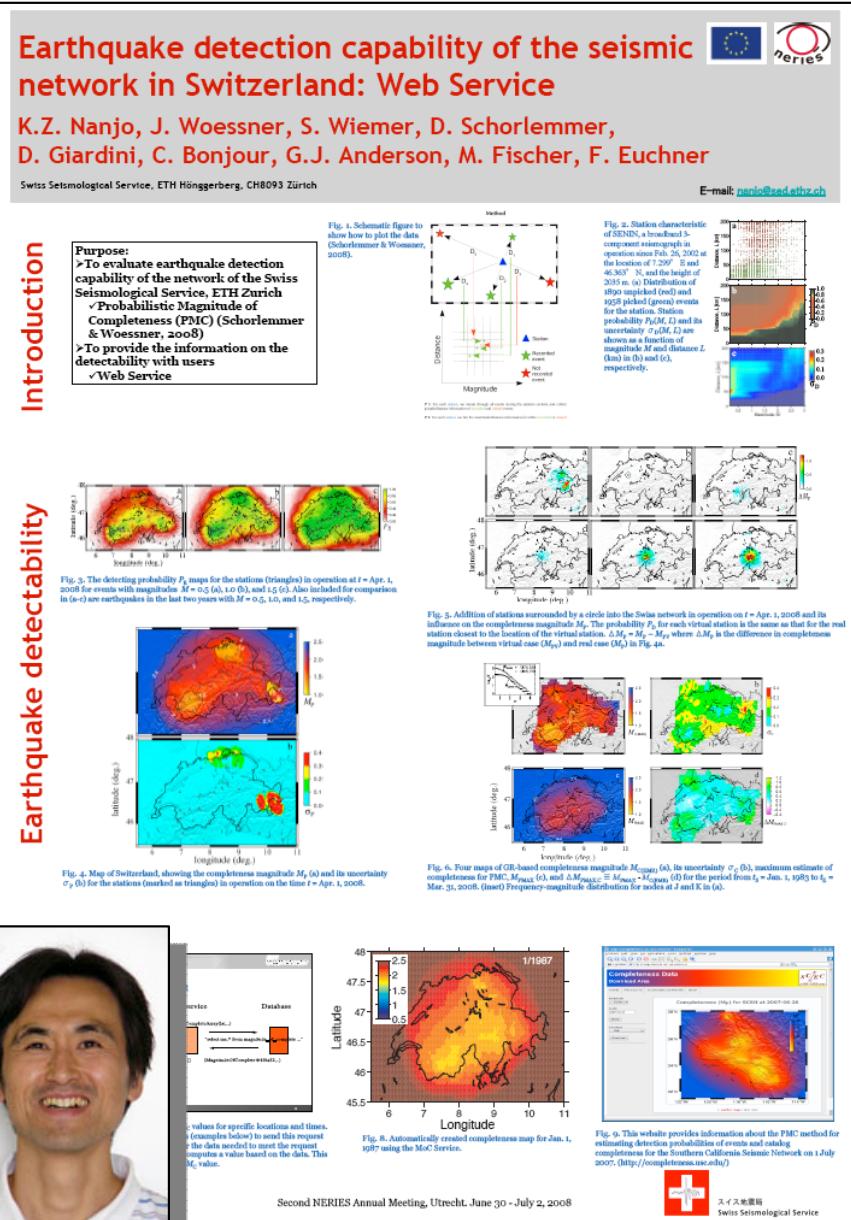
$M_P$ : Mag. above  
which  $P_M = 1$   
 $\sigma_P$ : Bootstrap  
approach

▲ Station

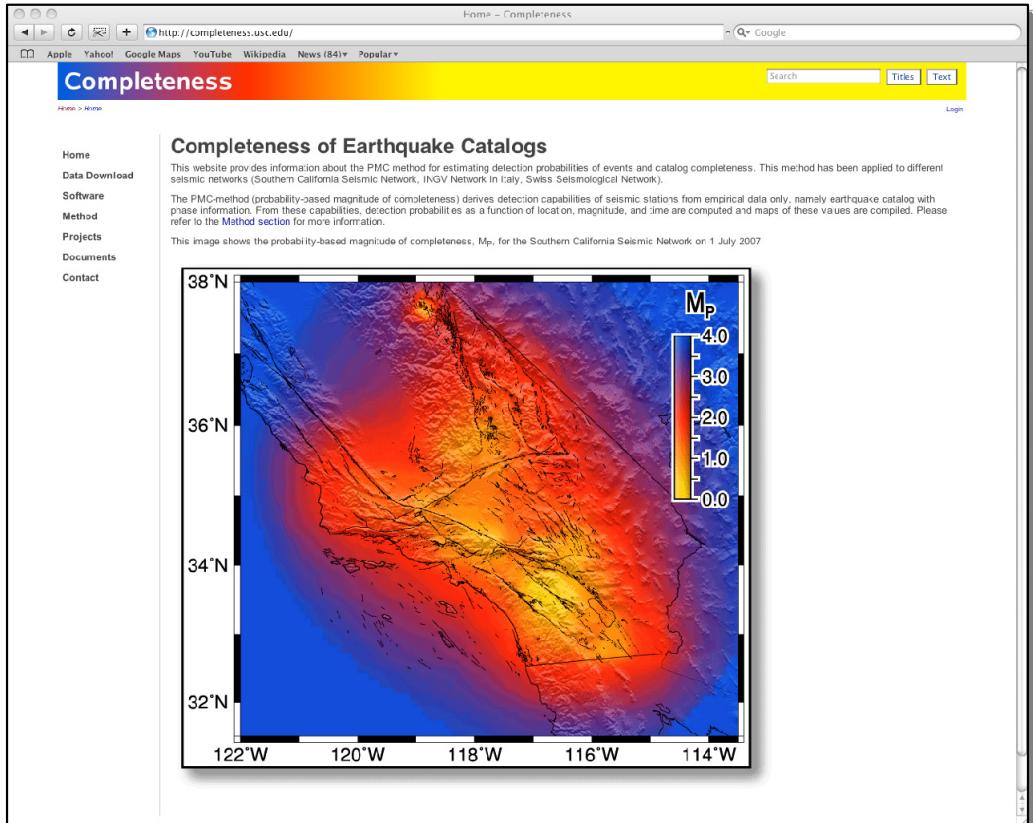
(Nanjo et al., 2008)



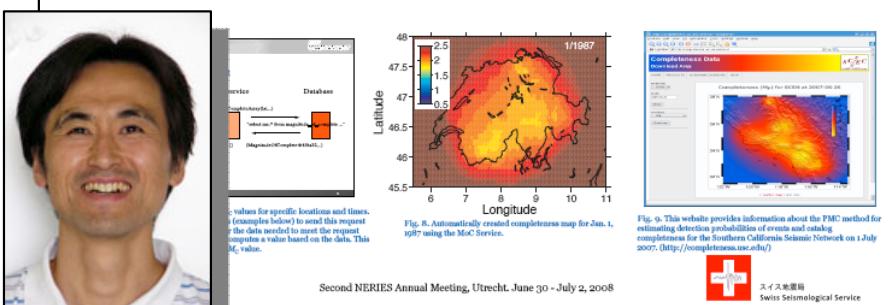
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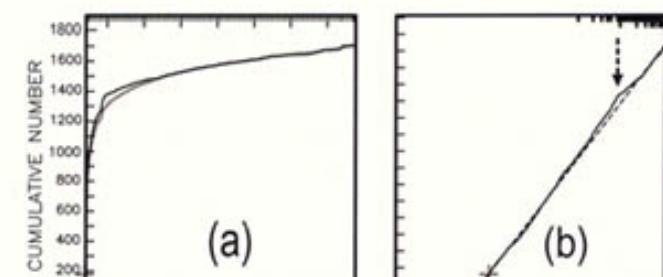
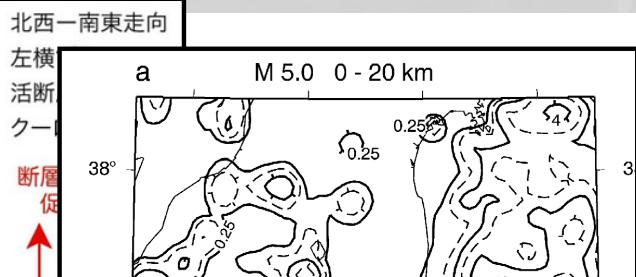
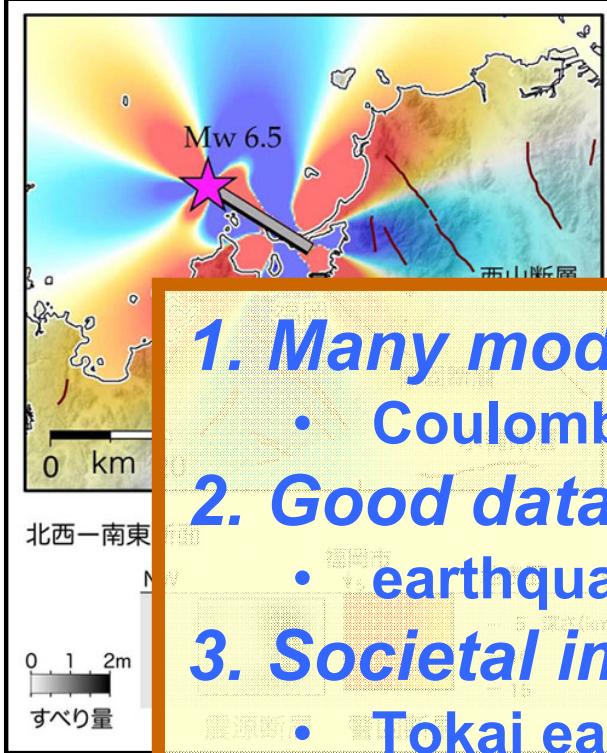
Visit <http://completeness.usc.edu/>



Schorlemmer & Euchner



# Should Japan join CSEP?



## 1. Many models in Japan

- Coulomb, ETAS, EEPAS, PI and RIPPY ...

## 2. Good database

- earthquakes, faults, and crustal deformation

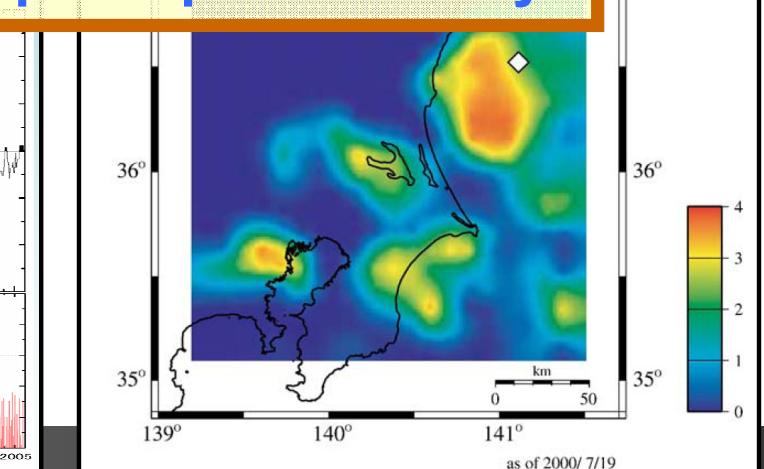
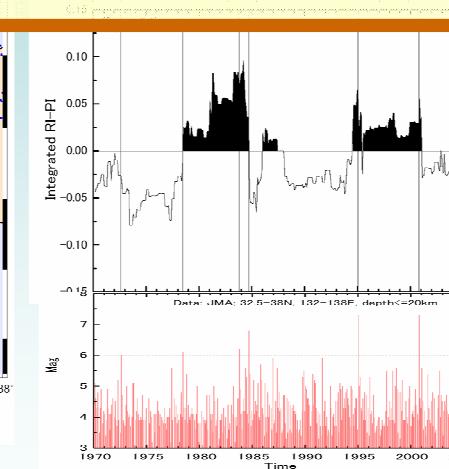
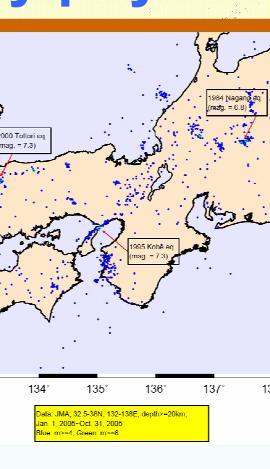
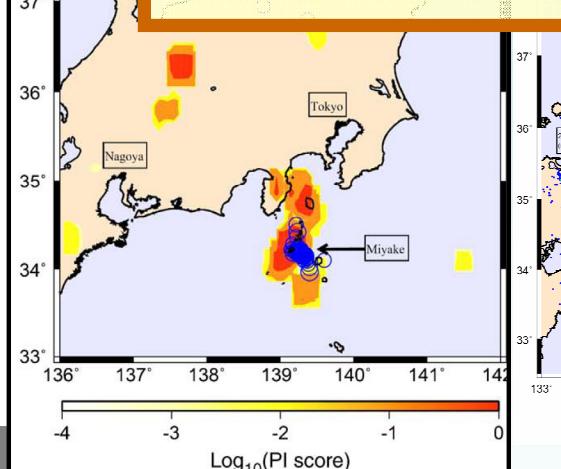
## 3. Societal importance

- Tokai earthquake and other mega quakes

## 4. No rigorous (community-endorsed) testing

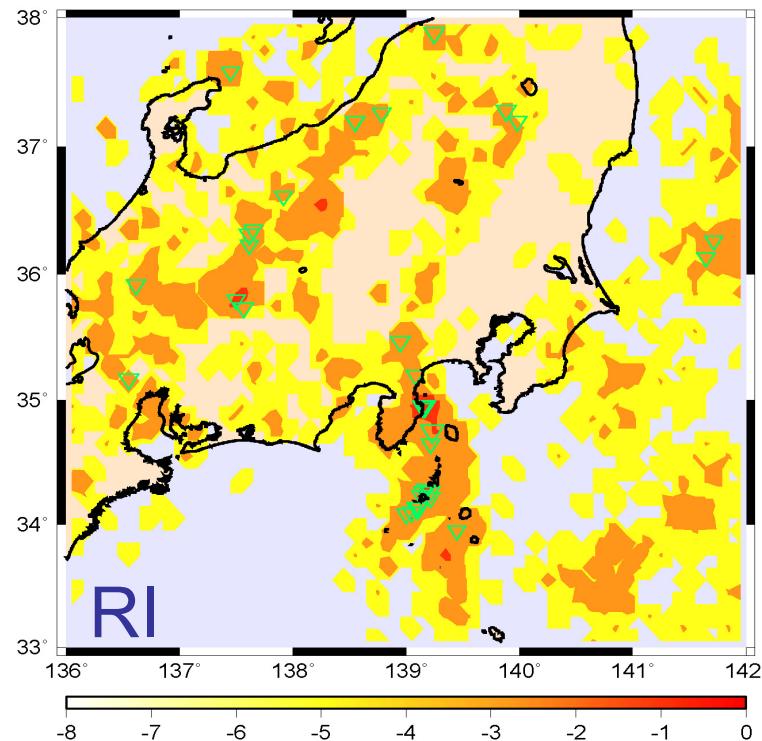
- To find which is a better forecast model than others

- To study physical basis for earthquake predictability



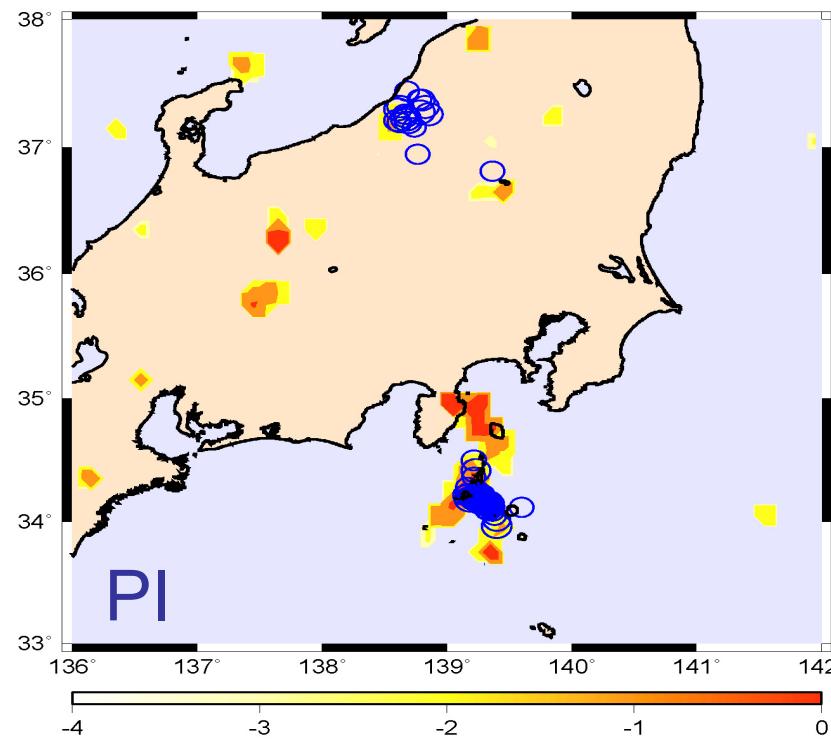
*forecasting 2000-2009  $M \geq 5$  events*

*based on 1965-1999  $M \geq 3$  events in central Japan*



$\text{Log}_{10} P$

- PI method: find seismic activation and quiescence
- RI method: find seismic intensity



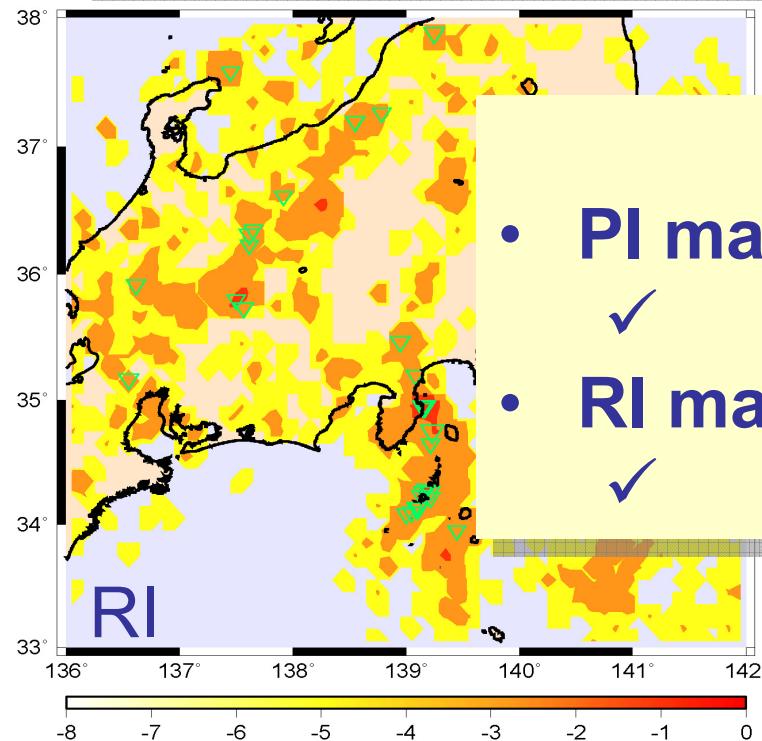
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Nanjo et al. (2006a,b)

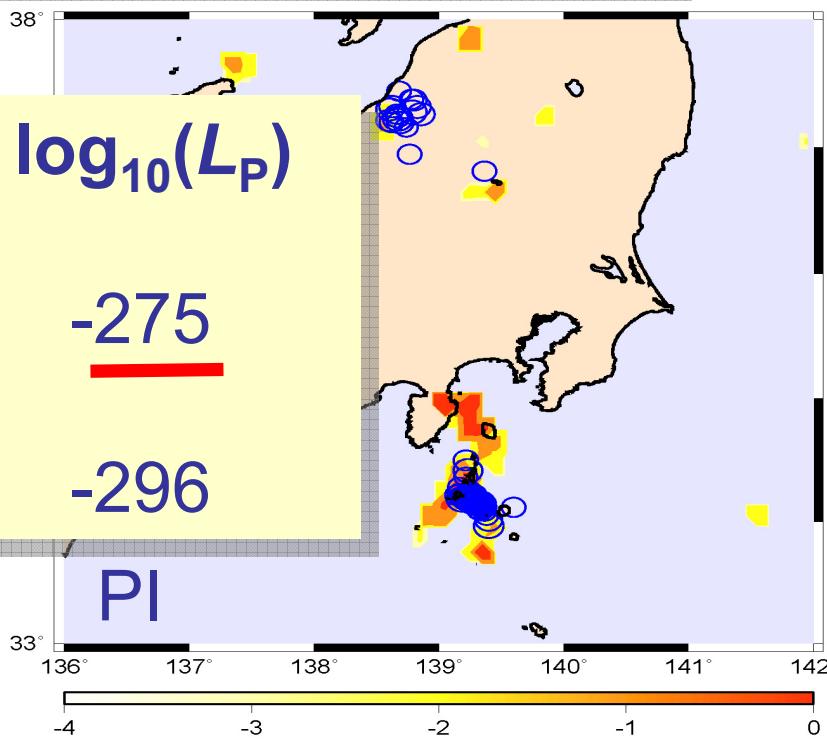
-- Test was done by me, not community-endorsed test! --



**Likelihood:** A measure of matching between forecast map based on EQs. in  $\leq 1999$  and EQs. in  $\geq 2000$



- PI map: ✓
- RI map: ✓



$$\log_{10}(L_P)$$

-275

-296

PI

$\log_{10} P$

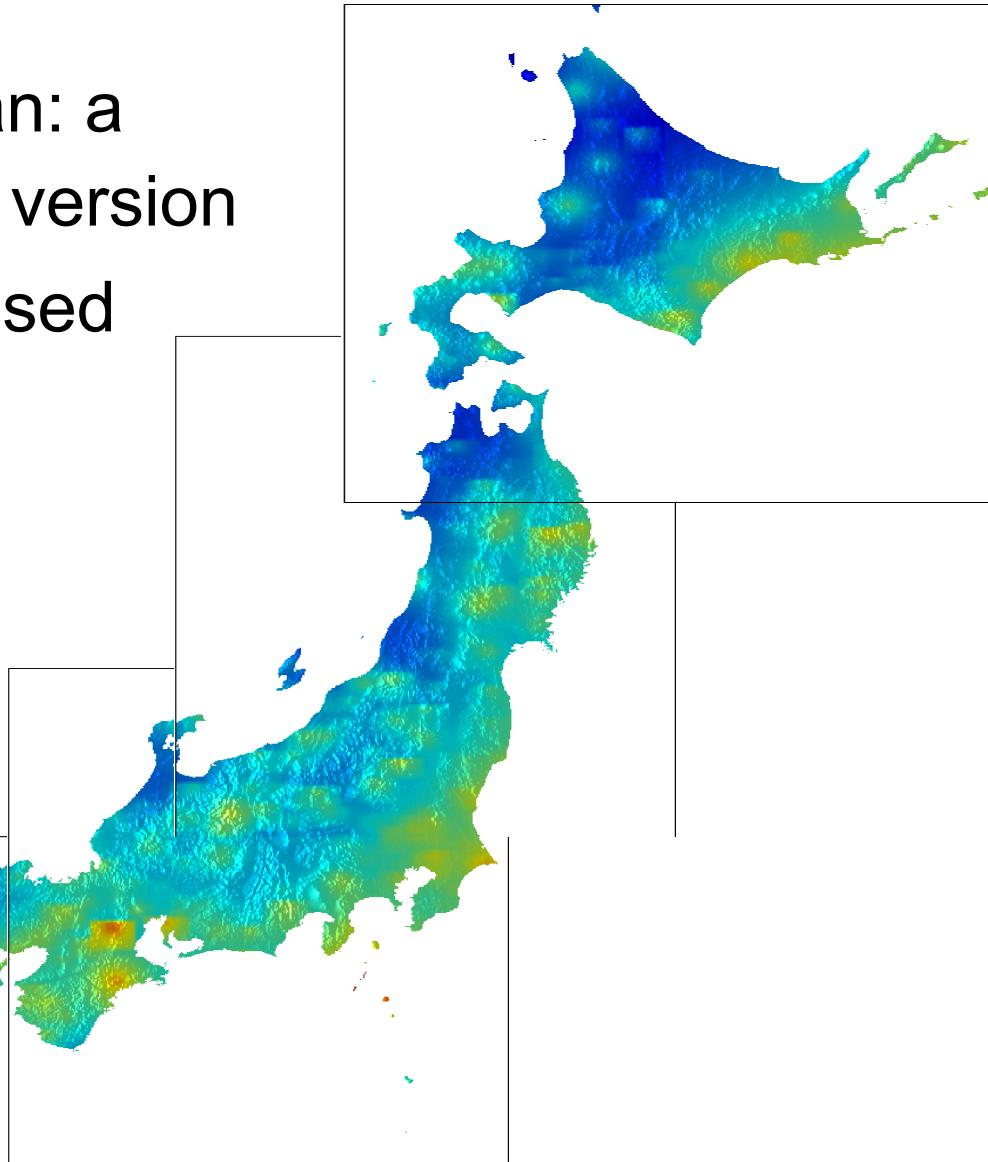
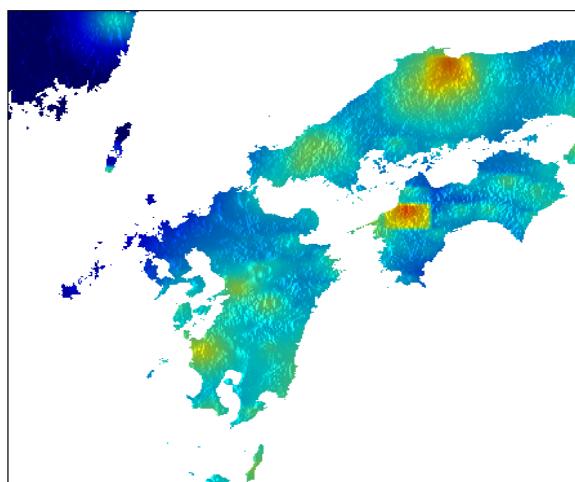
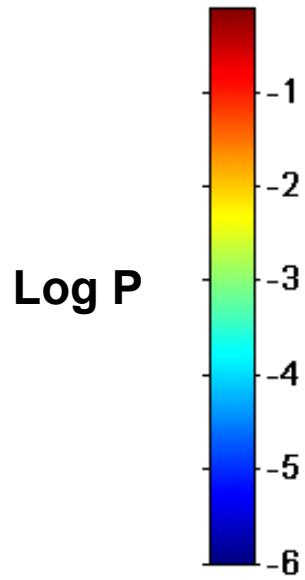
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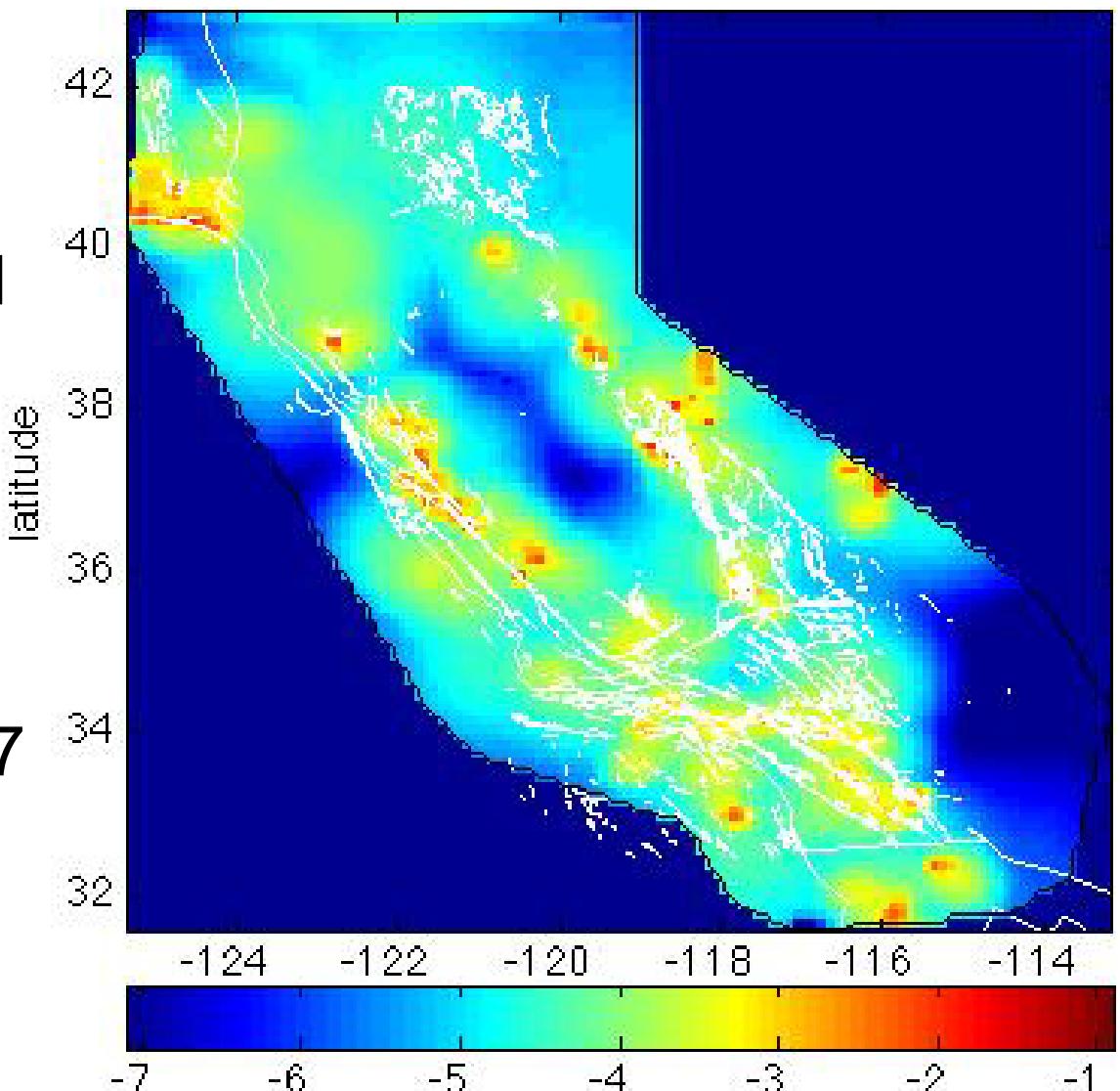
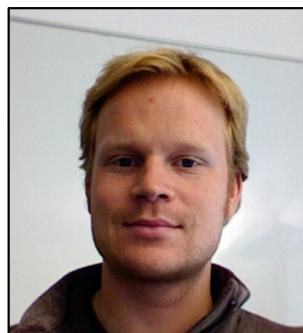
- Introducing the concept of CSEP to Japan
  - This meeting: Schorlemmer
- Setting up a Japanese center
  - In process: Schorlemmer, Euchner, CSEP working group and Japanese researchers
- Completeness study
  - PMC approach in process: Schorlemmer et al.
  - GR-based approach in process: Nanjo et al.
- Submitting testable models to the testing center
  - Not yet

- STEP-Japan: a preliminary version
- JMA data used



(Wiemer et al.)

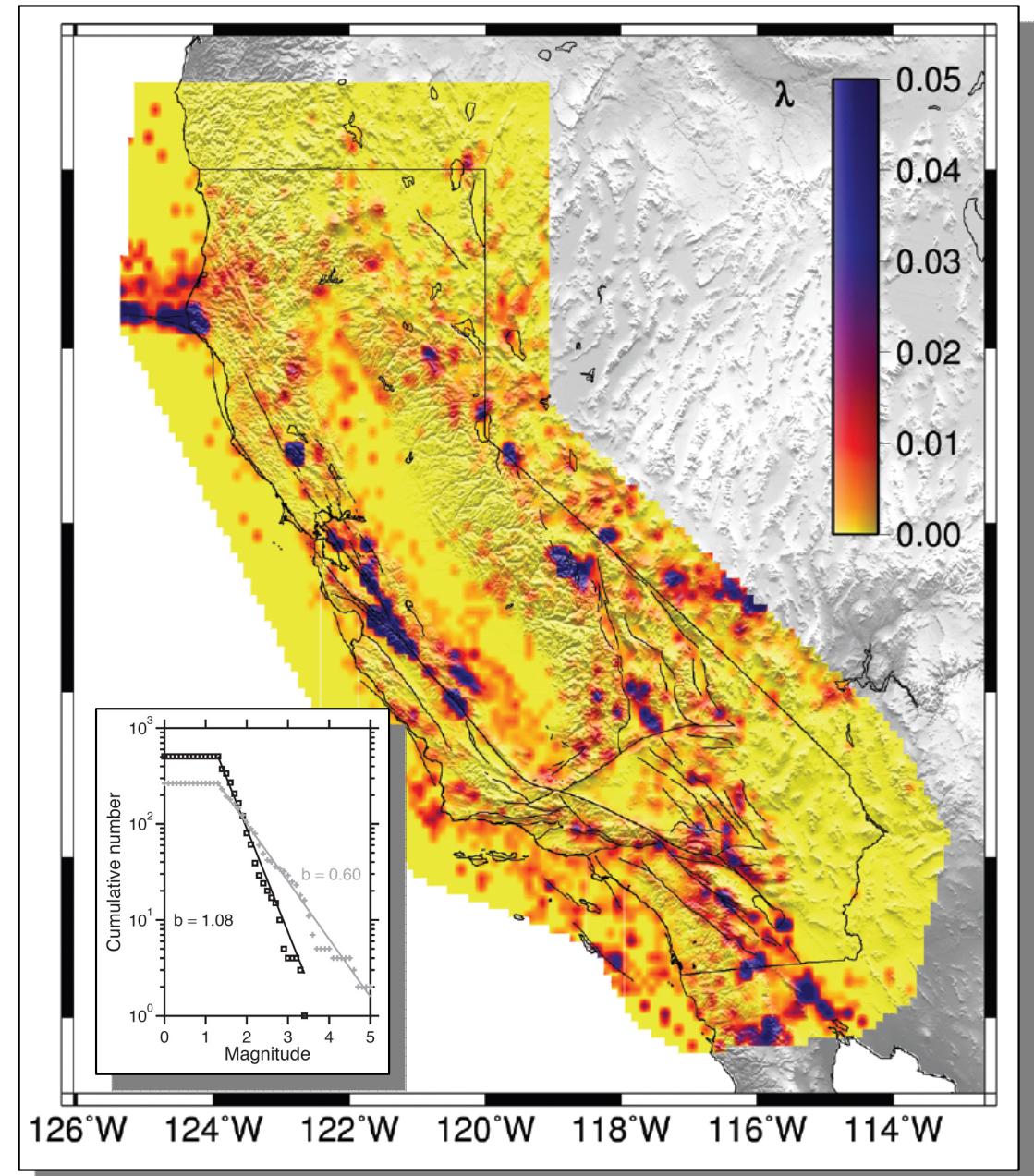
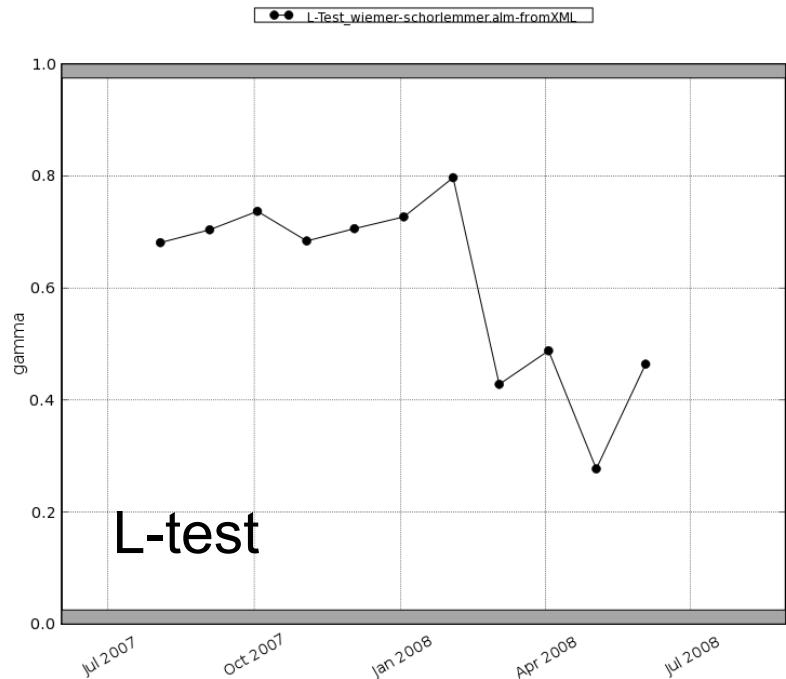
- One-day forecast for California with ETAS method
- This map is created based on the seismicity in 1984-2007
- Colors show the rates of events with  $M \geq 4$  for the forecast day, Oct. 30, 2007
- ANSS catalog used



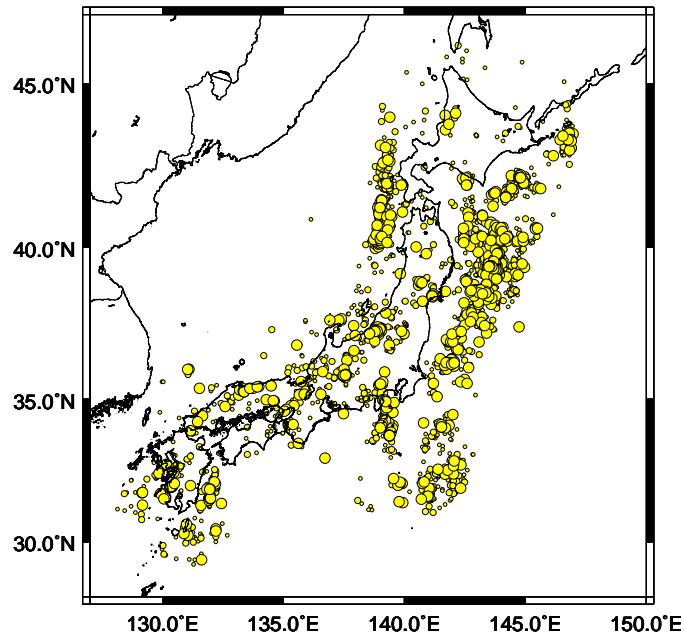
Werner, Jackson, Kagan, 2008 in prep.

## ALM: An Asperity-based Likelihood Model

- Wiemer & Schorlemmer (2007)



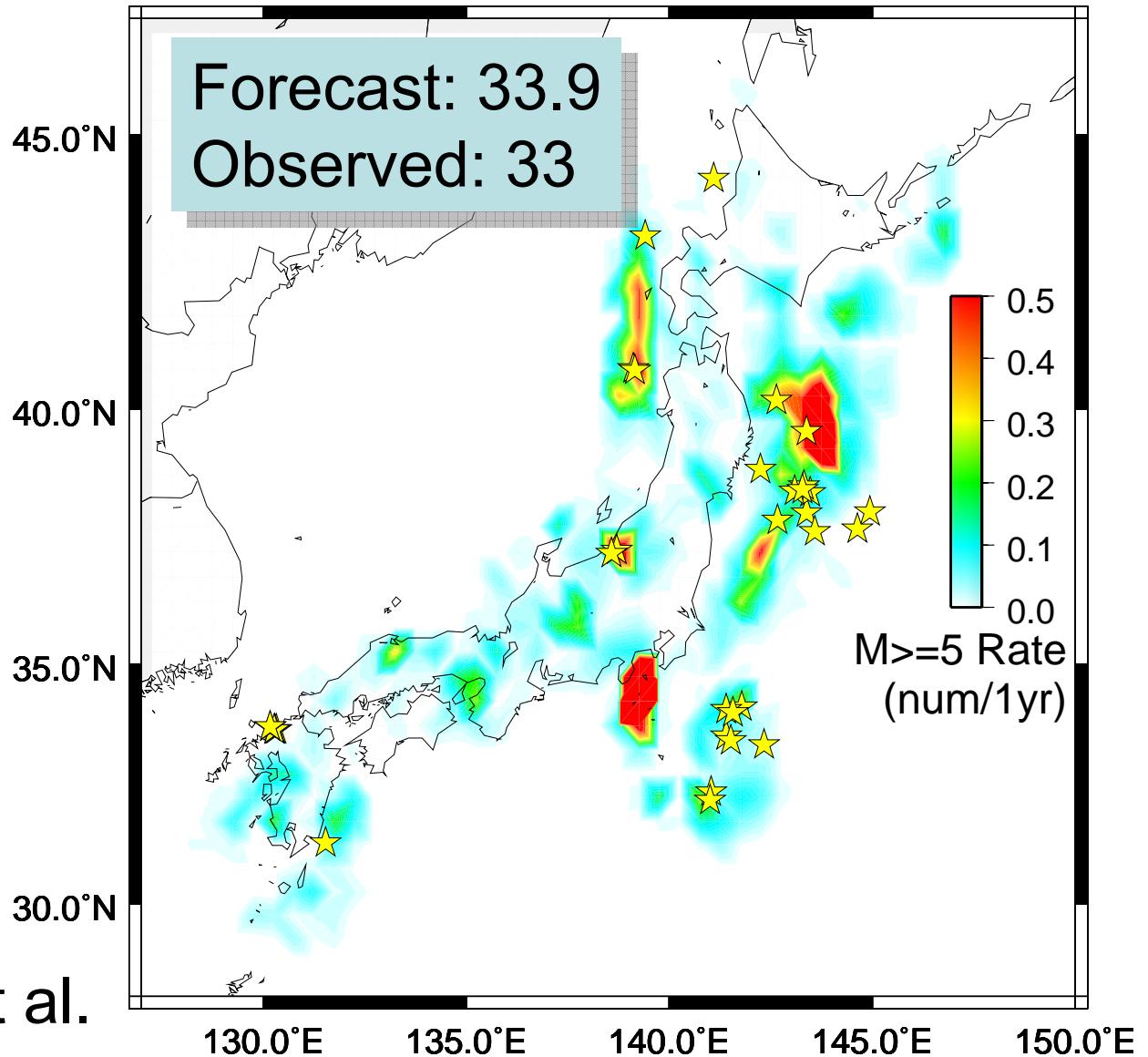
## One-year (2005) forecast based on relative seismic intensity (RI) : a preliminary version



JMA  $M \geq 4$  events  
in 1980-2004



Nanjo & Ozturk et al.

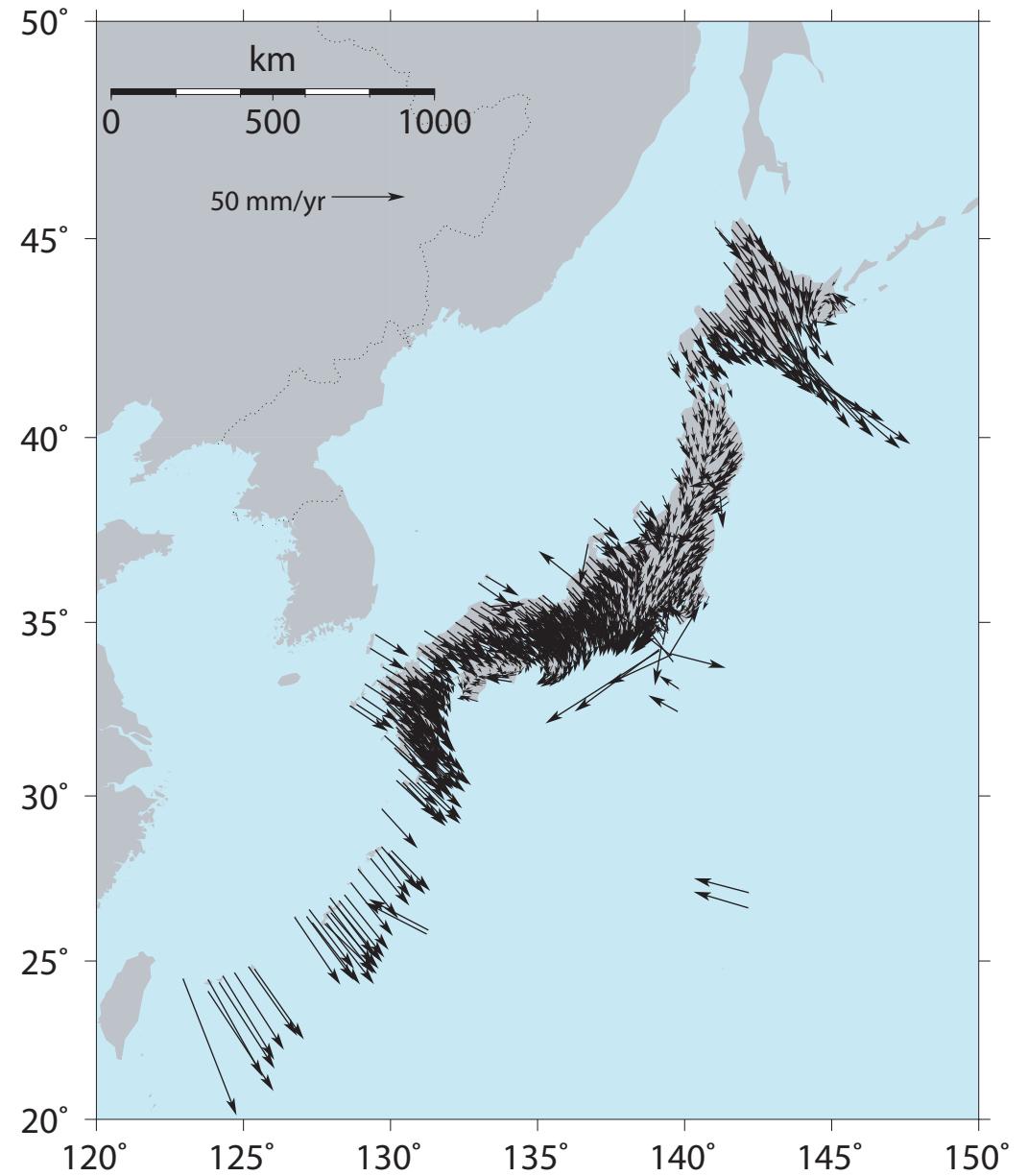


## A potential model for a hazard in Japan

- The vectors show the averaged horizontal velocity over the past 10 years, relative to a station in Niigata.
- We could use these data for a hazard model, though it'll be complicated because of the tectonics in the area.



Anderson et al.



- Testing earthquake forecasts would be a big topic in next 5 years for Japan Seismol. Soc.

- Challenges:

- How to deal with the 3D in Japan?
- How to collaborate with CSEP?
- Data accessibility?
- The use of seismic quiescence as a forecast tool

- ETHZ would like to help the start of a Japanese testing center

## Plan for 2009-2013 earthquake prediction researches in Japan (from Hirata)

次期地震予知・火山噴火予知の研究計画の実施内容の項目

### 1. 地震・火山現象予測のための観測研究の推進

#### (1) 地震・火山現象のモニタリングシステムの高度化

ア. 日本列島域

イ. 地震発生・火山噴火の可能性の高い地域  
ウ. 東海・東南海・南海地域

#### (2) 地震・火山現象に関する予測システムの構築

##### (2-1) 地震発生予測システム

ア. 地殻活動予測シミュレーションとデータ同化実験

イ. 地殻活動予測シミュレーションの高度化

ウ. 地震活動評価に基づく地震発生予測

##### (2-2) 火山噴火予測システム

ア. 噴火シナリオの高度化

イ. 火山活動評価に基づく噴火予測

#### (3) 地震・火山現象に関するデータベースの構築

ア. 地震・火山現象の基礎データベース

イ. 地震・火山現象に関する情報の統合化

### 2. 地震・火山現象解明のための観測研究の推進

#### (1) 日本列島及び周辺域の長期・広域の地震・火山現象

ア. 列島及び周辺域のプレート運動、広域応力場

イ. 上部マントルとマグマの発生場

ウ. 広域の地殻構造と地殻内流体の分布

エ. 地震活動と火山活動の相互作用

オ. 地震発生サイクルと長期地殻歪

#### (2) 地震・火山噴火に至る準備過程

##### (2-1) 地震準備過程 (地震)

ア. アスペリティの実体と相互作用

イ. 非地震性滑りの時空間変化

ウ. 歪集中帯の成因と内陸地震発生の準備過程

エ. スラブ内地震の発生機構

##### (2-2) 火山噴火準備過程 (火山)

ア. マグマ上昇・蓄積過程

イ. 噴火履歴とマグマの発達過程

#### (3) 地震発生先行・破壊過程と火山噴火過程

##### (3-1) 地震発生先行過程 (地震)

ア. 観測データによる先行現象の評価

イ. 先行現象の発生機構の解明

##### (3-2) 地震破壊過程と強震動 (地震)

ア. 断層面の不均質性と動的破壊特性

イ. 強震動・津波の生成過程

##### (3-3) 火山噴火過程 (火山)

ア. 噴火機構の解明とモデル化

イ. 噴火の推移と多様性の把握

#### (4) 地震発生・火山噴火素過程

ア. 岩石の変形・破壊の物理的・化学的素過程

イ. 地殻・上部マントルの物性の環境依存性

ウ. 摩擦・破壊現象の規模依存性

エ. マグマの分化・発泡・脱ガス過程

### 3. 新たな観測技術の開発

#### (1) 極限環境下における新たな観測技術の開発

ア. 海底諸観測技術

イ. 大深度ボアホールにおける計測技術

ウ. 噴火活動域近傍における観測技術

#### (2) 観測技術の高度化

ア. 地下状態モニタリング技術

イ. 多項目観測システム・ネットワーク

#### (3) 宇宙技術等の利用の高度化

ア. 宇宙測地技術

イ. リモートセンシング技術

### 4. 計画推進のための体制の強化

#### (1) 地震・火山噴火予知研究計画を推進する体制の整備

#### (2) 地震・火山噴火予知基礎研究体制の強化