Seismic Energy: Scaling, Variability, and Implications for High Frequency Ground motion

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### Radiated seismic energy

$$E_{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi^{2}\rho\beta^{5}} \int_{0}^{\infty} \left| \omega \cdot \dot{M(\omega)} \right|^{2} d\omega$$

Integrated source spectra over all frequencies

Most is radiated above corner frequency



### Previous Studies: No scaling?



Ide and Beroza (2001)

# Scaling?



Strongest evidence comes from coda studies.

Mayeda et al. (2000)

Takahashi et al. (2005)

## **Sequence Locations**



CalTech, Berkeley, Anza networks

## **Empirical Green's Function Approach**



## 1) Narrowband Envelopes



160

Lapse Time (s)

200

- Band pass filter in 20 narrowbands
  - Continuous in time
  - → Discrete in frequency
- Take envelope

$$E(t) = \sqrt{u(t)^2 + H(t)^2}$$

 Window from S arrival to window length, set by smallest event

## 2) Create Coda Spectra



### **Empirical Green's Function**



## 3) Sequentially remove path effects



Tie amplitudes to moment

## 4) Velocity Spectra



### Ideal Cumulative Energy



## Cumulative Energy – US Events



### Cumulative Energy – Japan Events



### No Distance Bias



→ Validates empirical Green's function approach



Cerro Prieto Sequence

## Scaled Energy: Japan Earthquake Sequences



## Scaled Energy: US Earthquake Sequences



## No scaling of radiated energy



#### Anomalous events



#### Anomalous vs. Normal Event



### Low Energy Earthquake

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# High Energy Earthquake

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### Scatter in apparent stress is real

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#### USGS-NEIC: Mw vs. ME

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### Conclusions

Iwate-Miyagi $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.038} + / \cdot 0.12$ Hector Mine $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.091} + / \cdot 0.08$ Kamaishi $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.078} + / \cdot 0.17$ Parkfield $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.001} + / \cdot 0.09$ Chuetsu 2004 $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.024} + / \cdot 0.14$ Cerro Prieto $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.016} + / \cdot 0.09$ Chuetsu Oki 2007 $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.024} + / \cdot 0.26$ Wells $E_s/M_o \sim M_o^{0.022} + / \cdot 0.10$ 

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# Thank you