

Geodesy (InSAR, GPS, Gravity) and Big Earthquakes

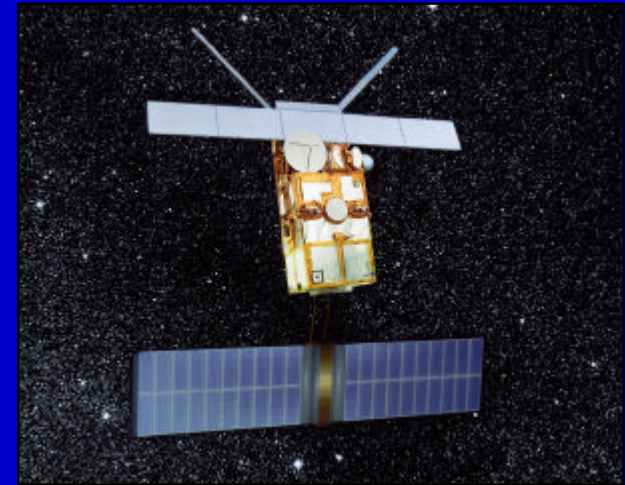
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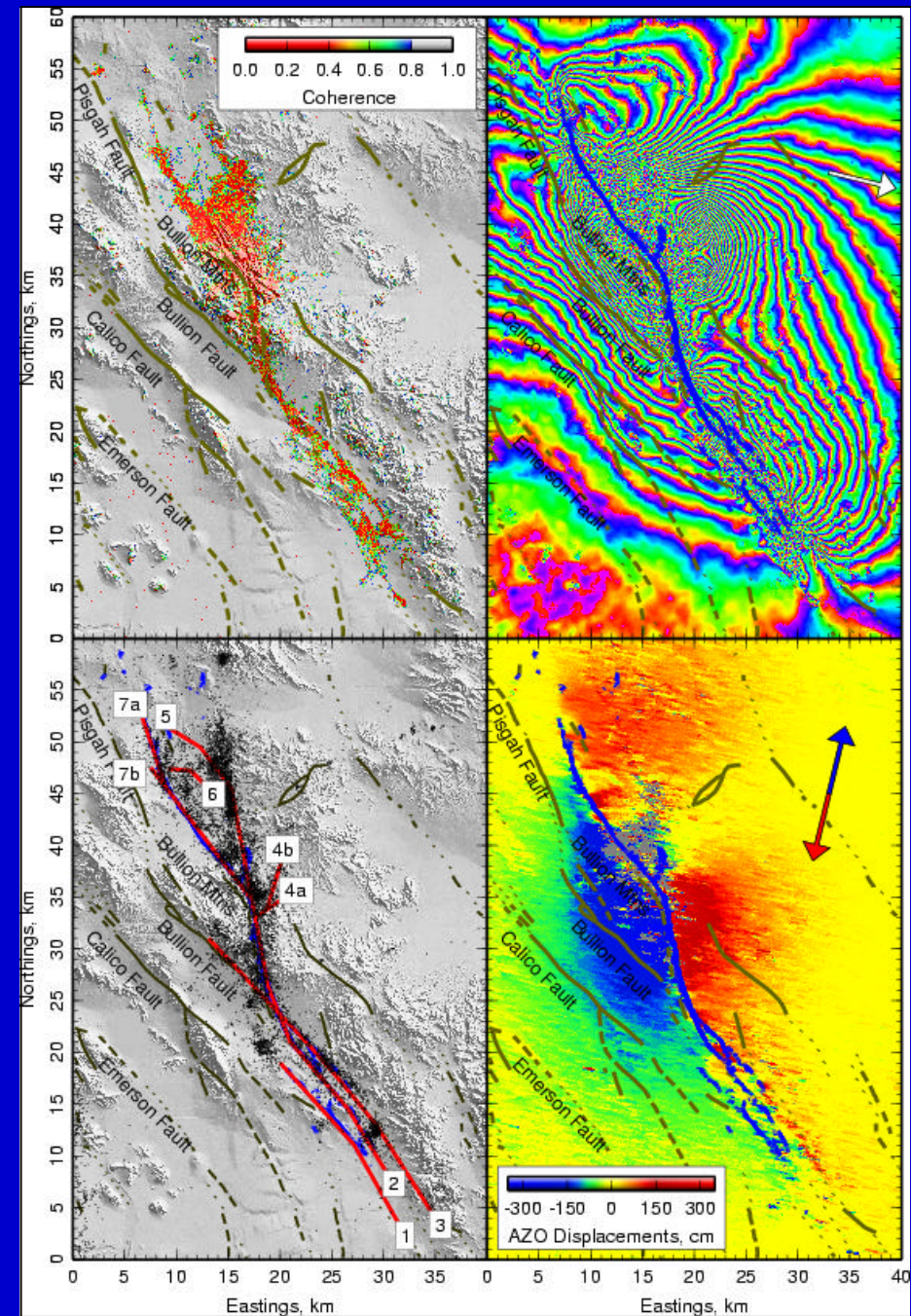
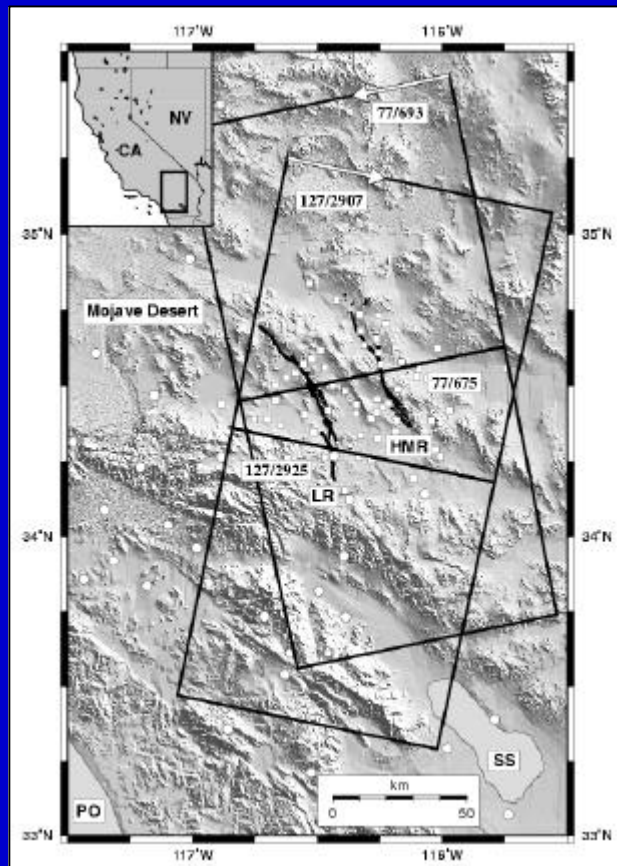
Goals

- Accurate and high resolution fault slip models for big EQs
- Why?
 - Moment release budget as a function of position
 - Co-seismic rheology
 - Earthquake interaction
 - Input into post-seismic models
 - Relationship to tectonic geomorphology
- Issues/difficulties
 - Observational: dataset limitations
 - Mathematical: Choice of inversion technique
 - Earth Structure: Spatial variations of rheology

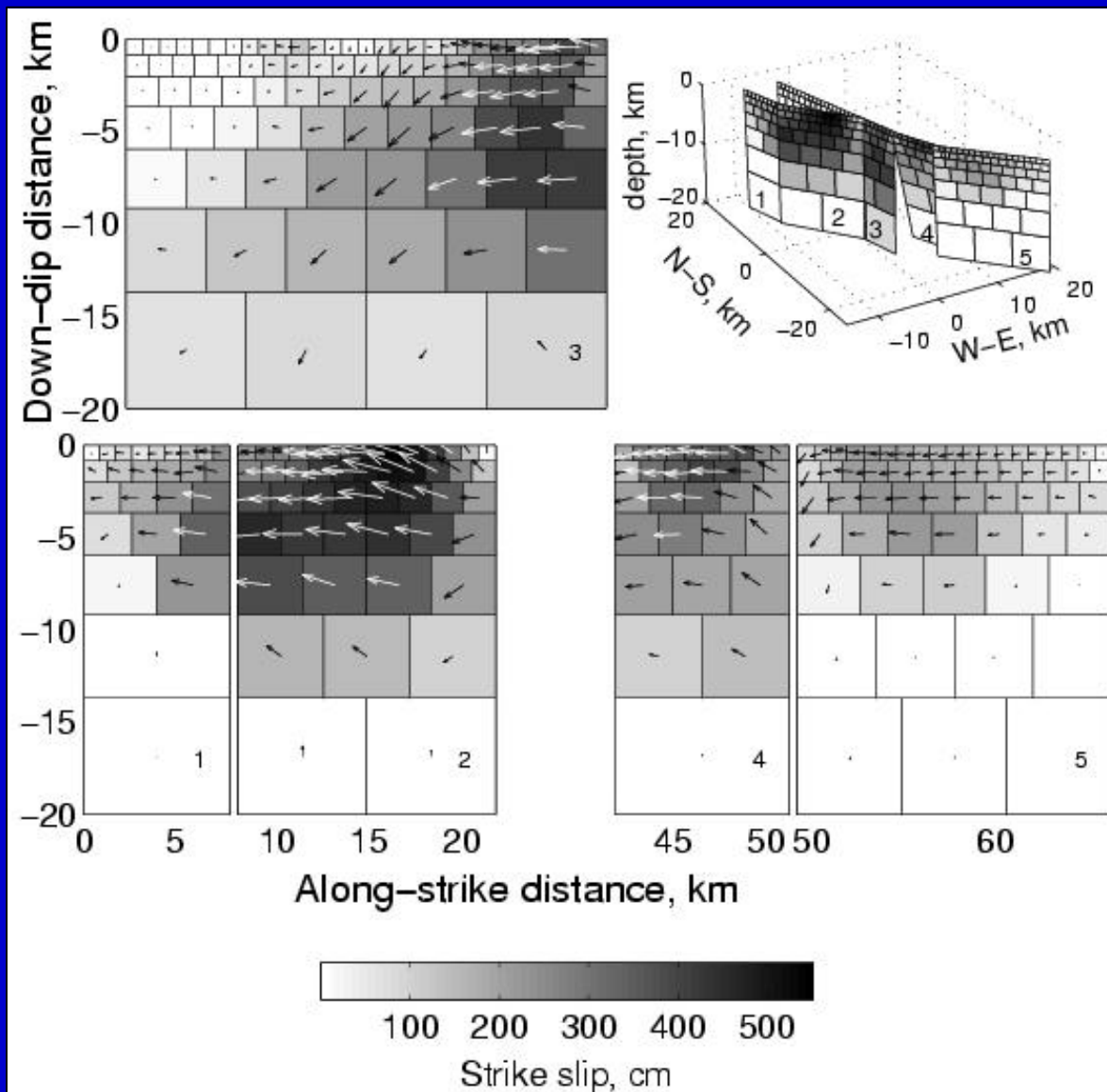


1999 Mw 7.1 Hector Mine EQ

Decorrelation
Phase (multiple LOS)
Seismicity
Azimuth Offsets



A coseismic distributed slip model



Implications for post-seismic and interseismic models:

- Significant vertical fault slip
- Fault slip concentrated at shallow depth
- Most slip in the northern half
- Apparent slip deficit...

The apparent slip deficit

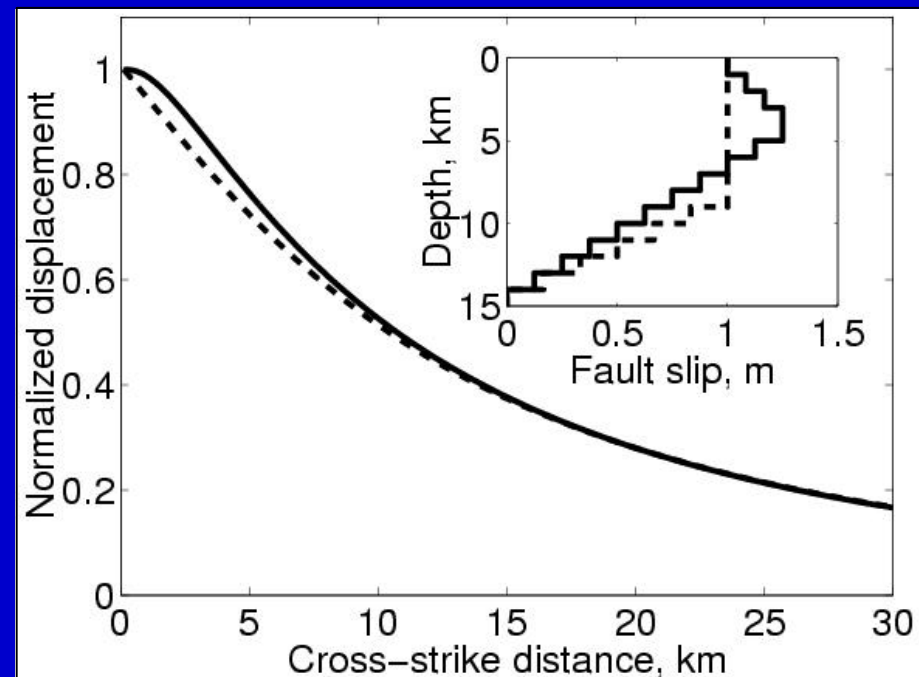
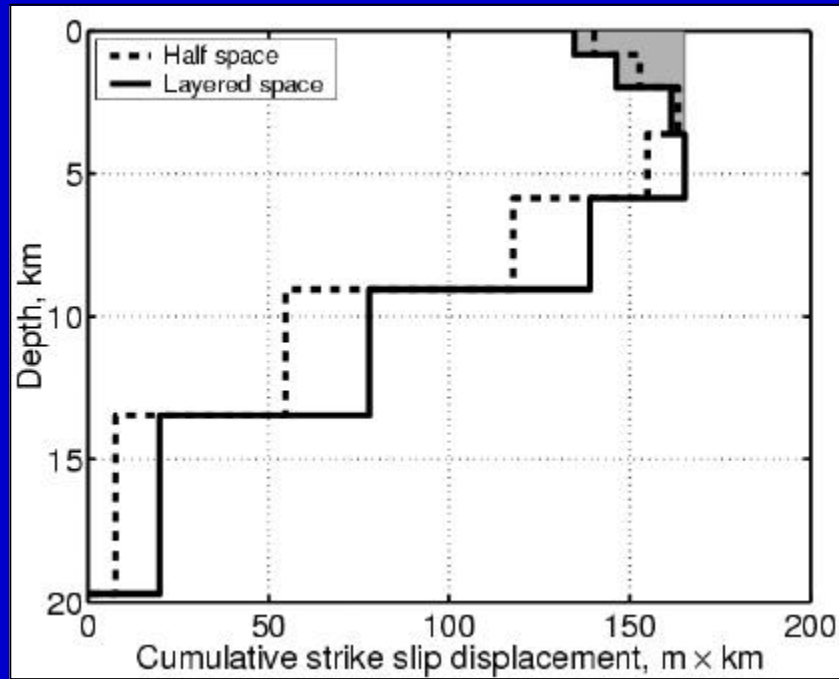
- Integrate slip along strike:
- Half-space vs. layered elastic structure
 - Shallow moment deficit required by inversion (M_w 6.1)

Cartoon models:

- Difference in models controlled by near field inflection of displacement profile

Conjecture:

- Inelastic process causes inflection
- Needs improved modeling



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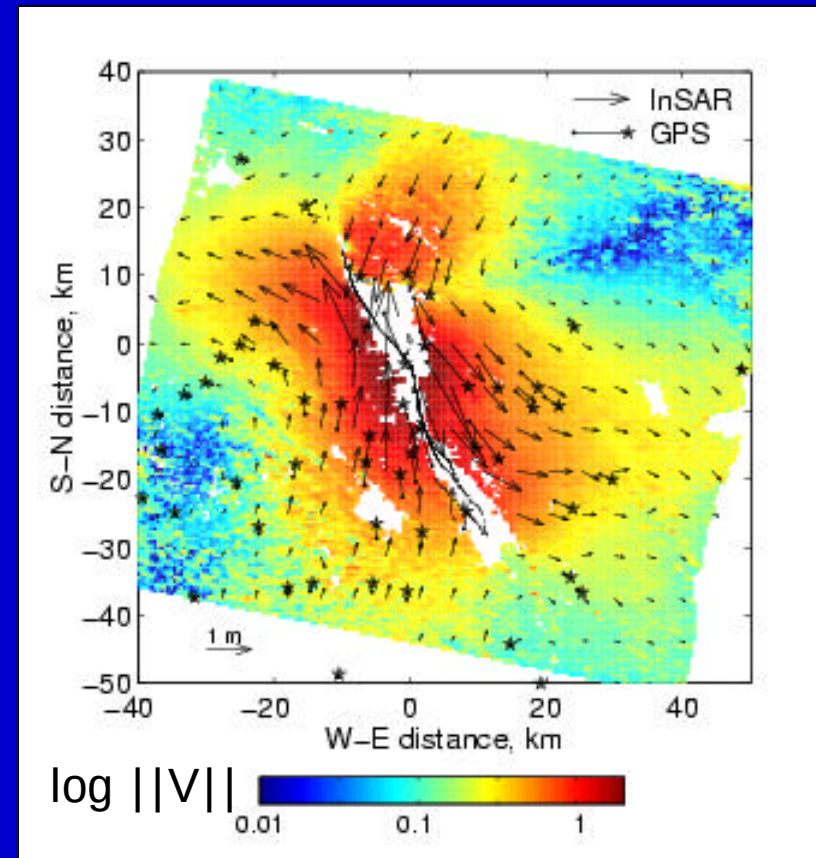
Practical/geophysical lessons:

- Rapid response possible
- 3 components (phase/offsets)
- Decorrelation
 - > reveals complex faulting
- Permit high spatial resolution models
- Shallow slip deficit
 - > inelastic processes?

Still to be done...

- Use refined coseismic model for postseismic studies (important for periods immediately following EQ).
- Data/model comparison tricky

Horizontal Displacements Field



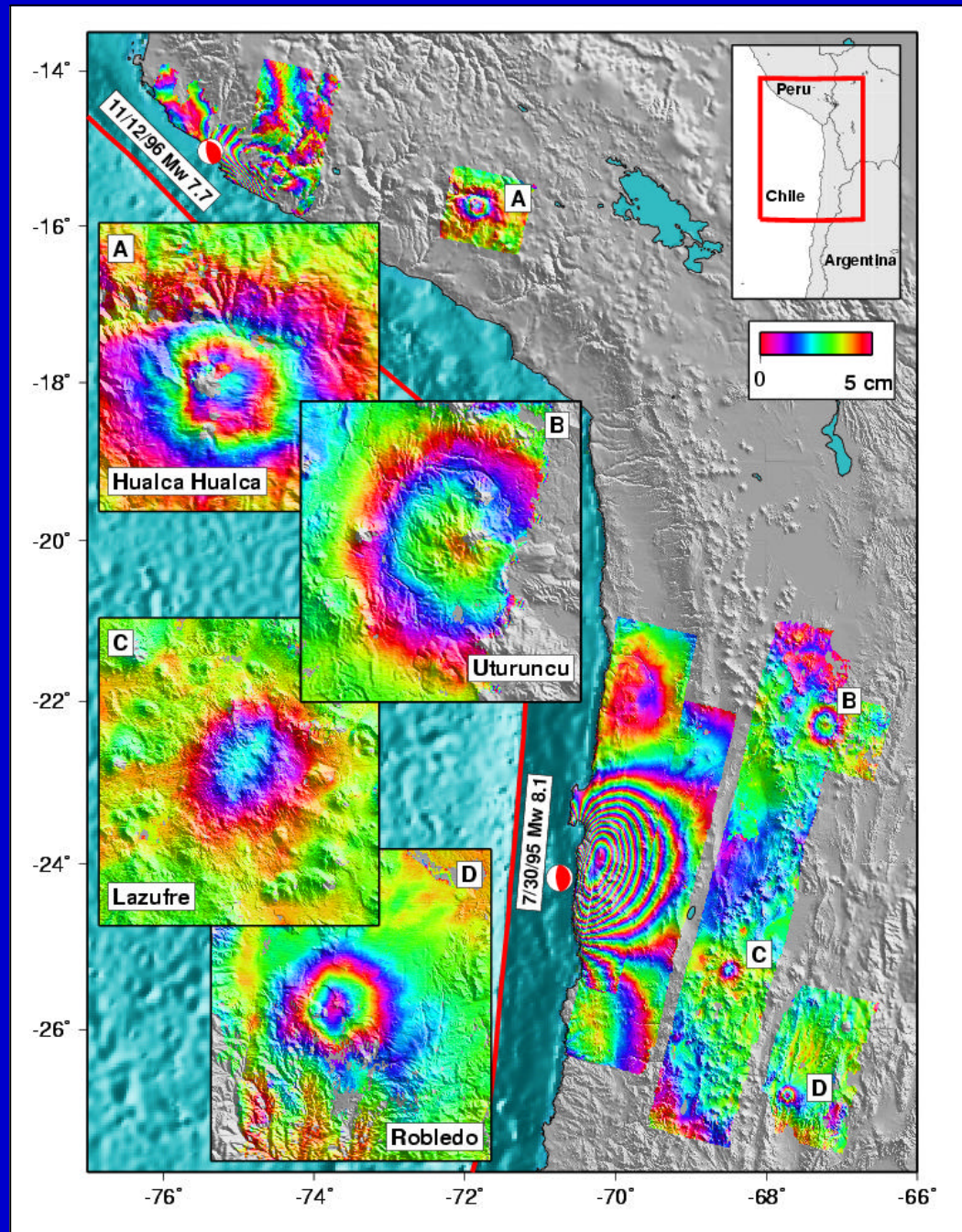
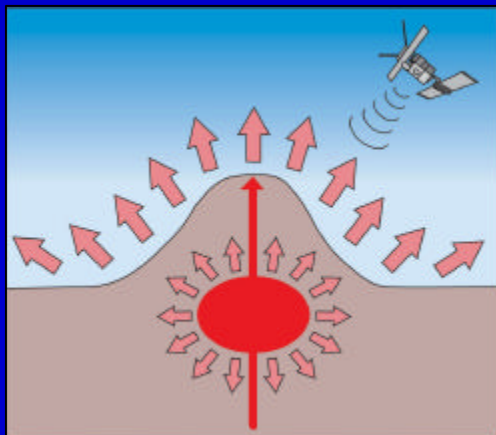
The deforming continent 1992-2000:

Subduction earthquakes

- 1995 Mw 8.1 Antofagasta
- 1996 Mw 7.7 Peru
- 1998 Mw 7.0 Antofagasta
- 2001 Mw 8.4 Peru ????

Survey of > 900 volcanoes

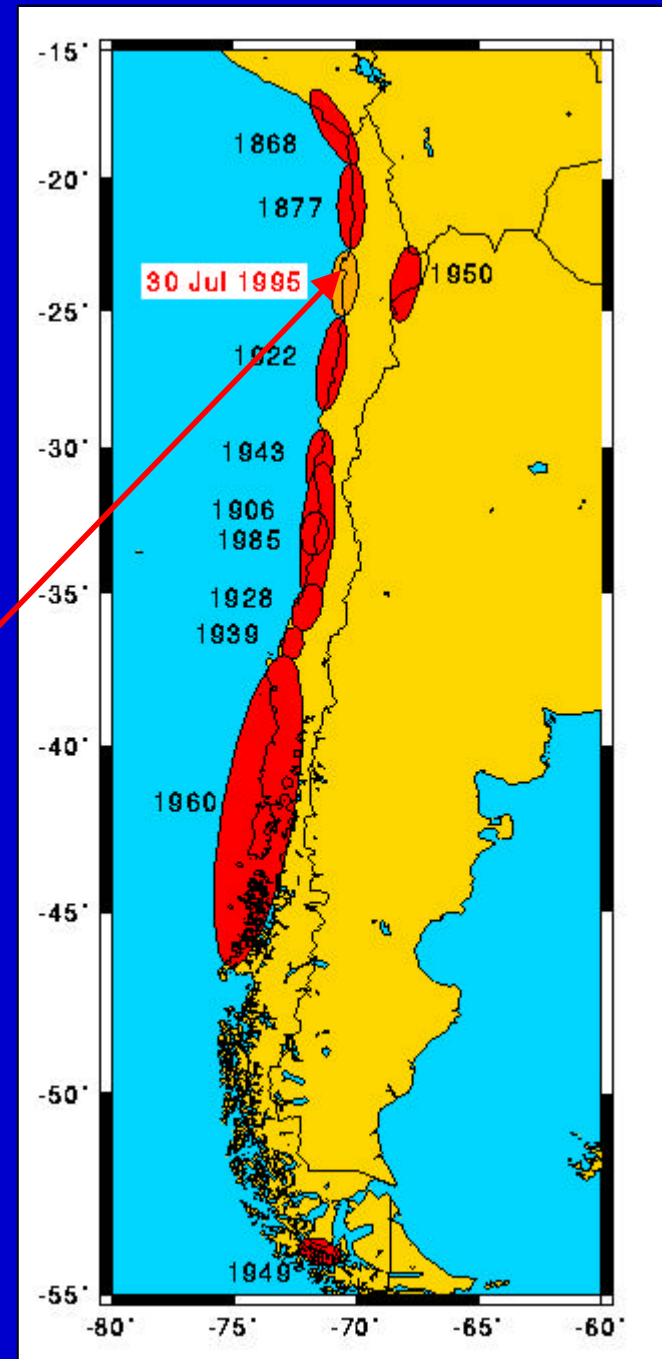
- 4 undocumented sources
- 1 incipient caldera?



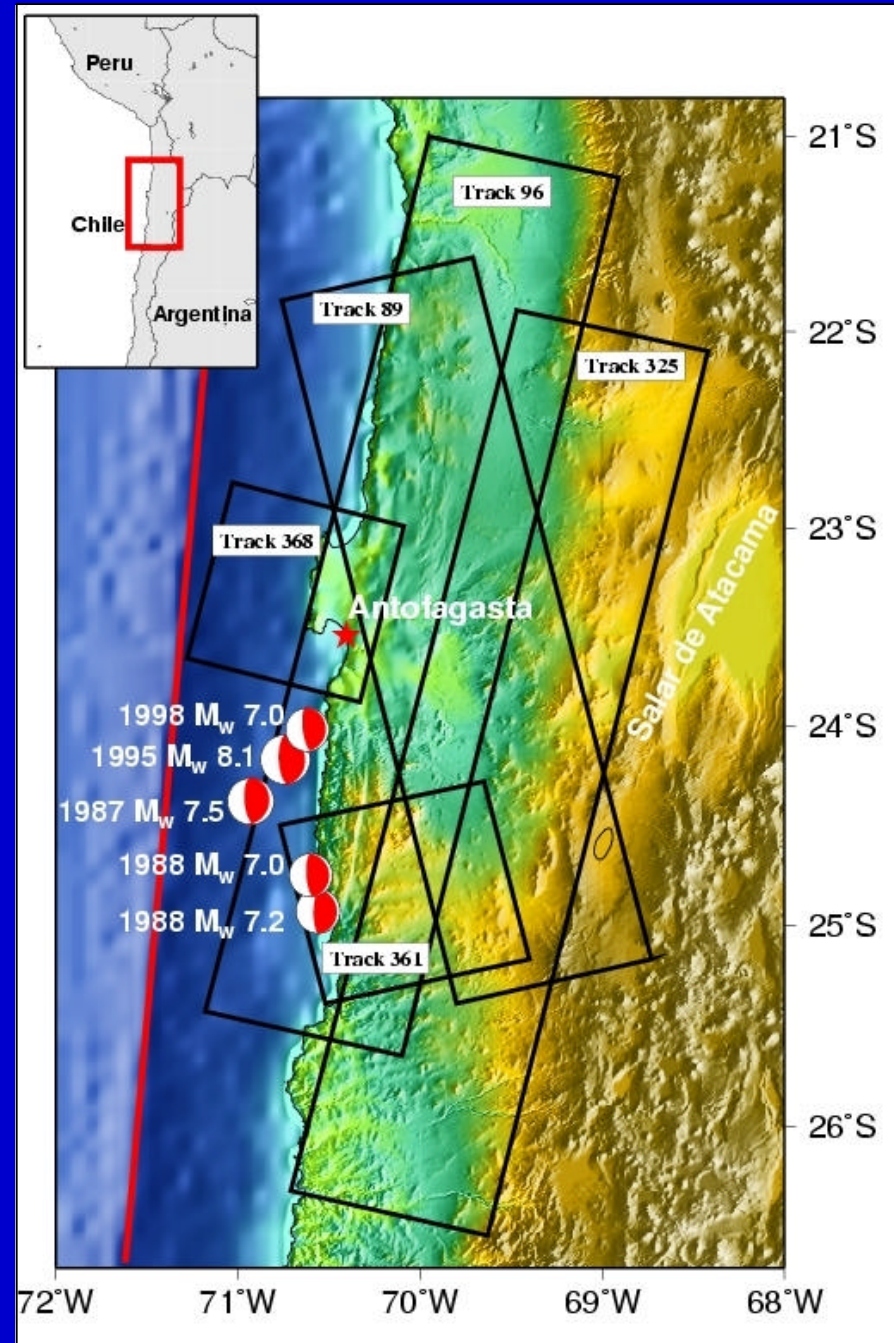
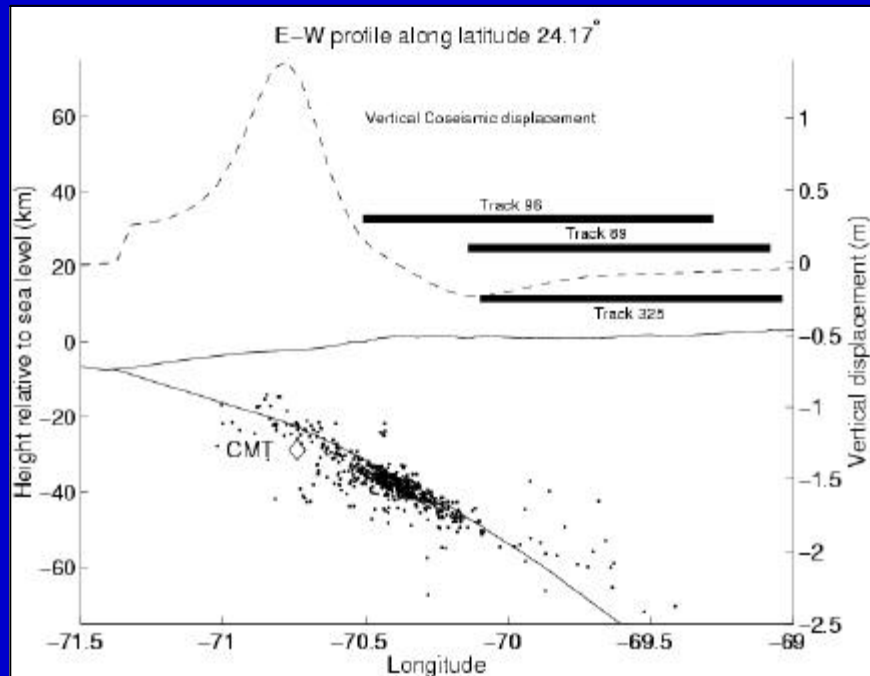
South America: A Land of Big Earthquakes



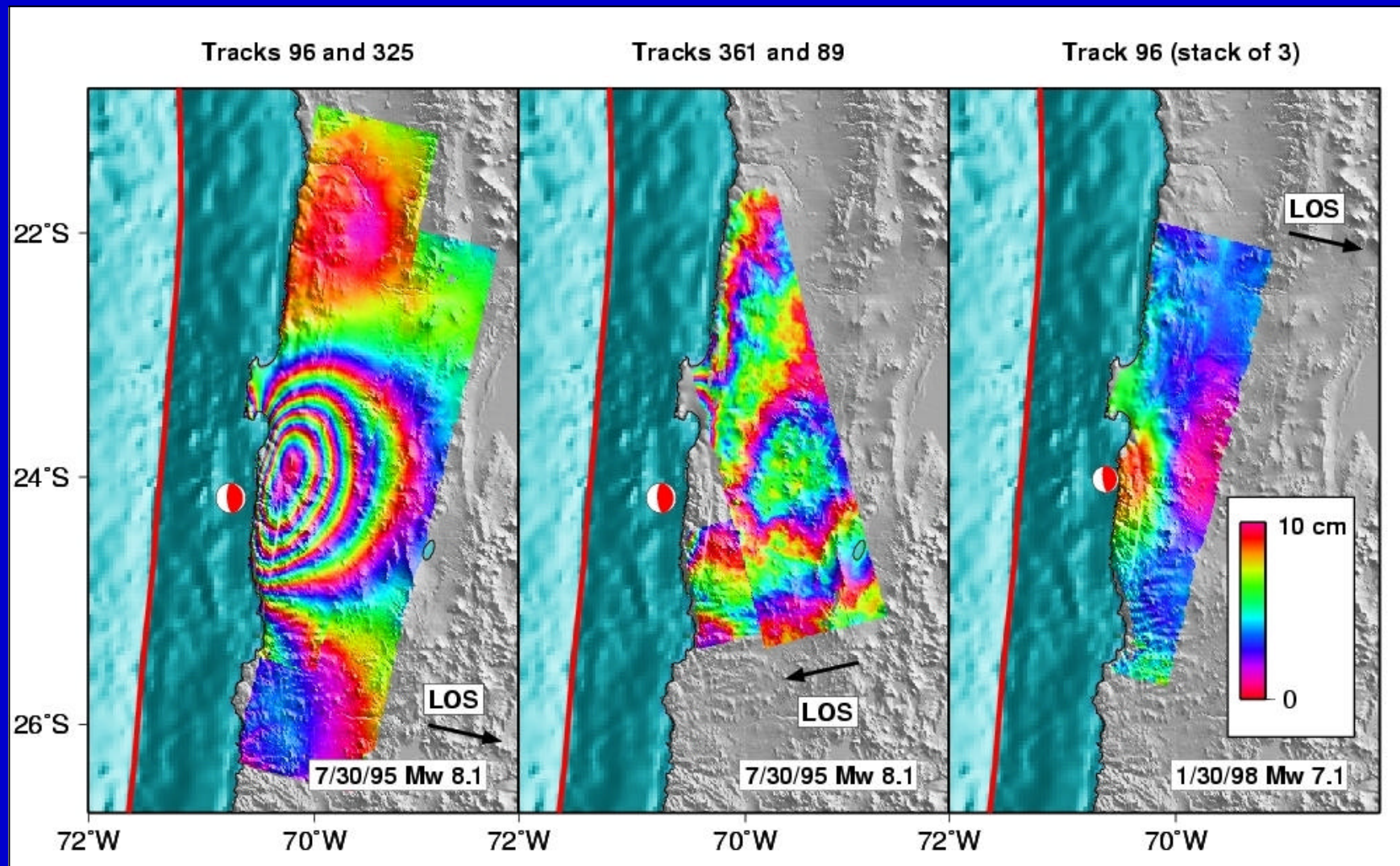
The Mejillones Peninsula and
Atacama viewed from Apollo



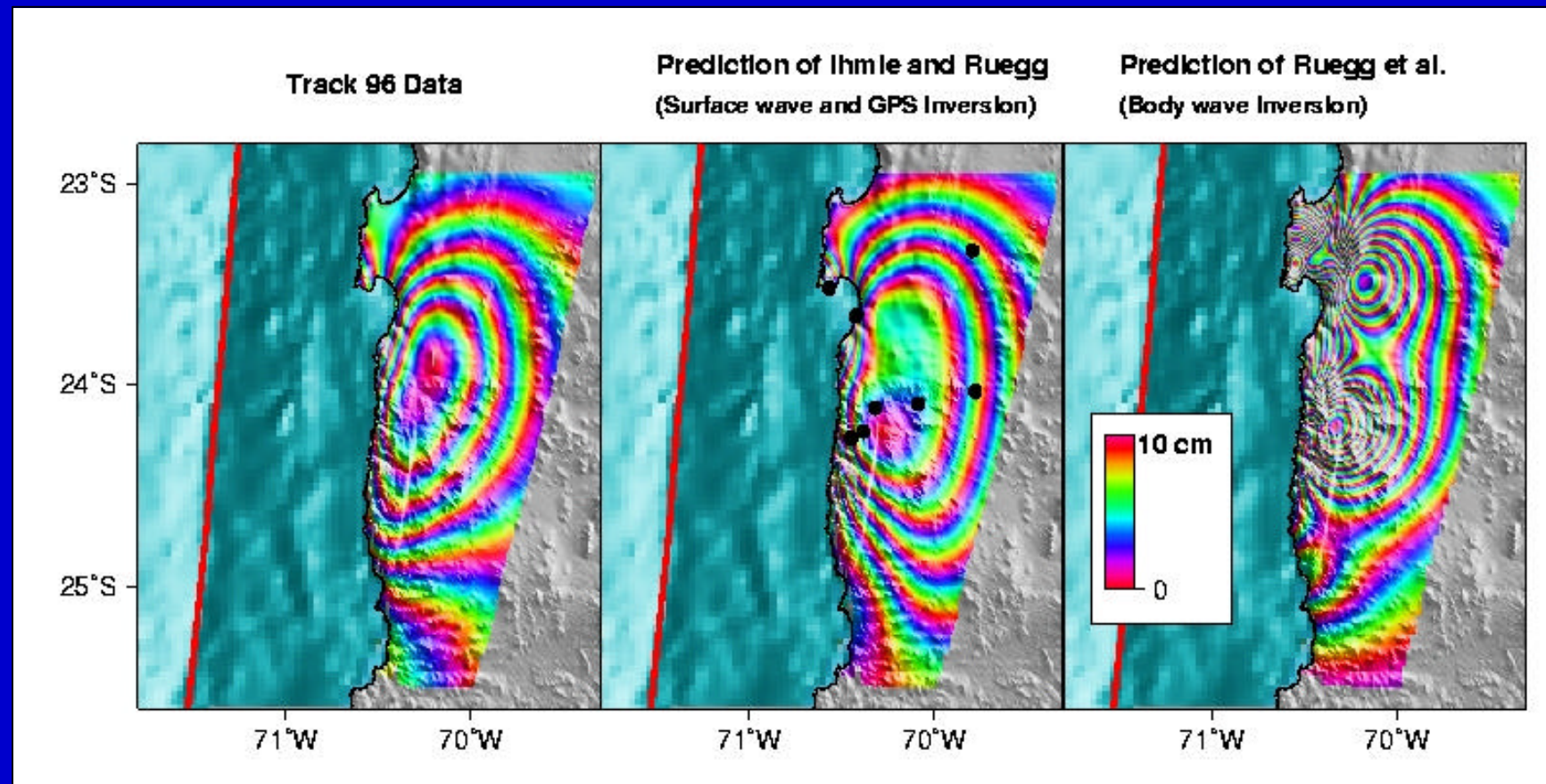
The temporal and spatial pattern of big earthquakes



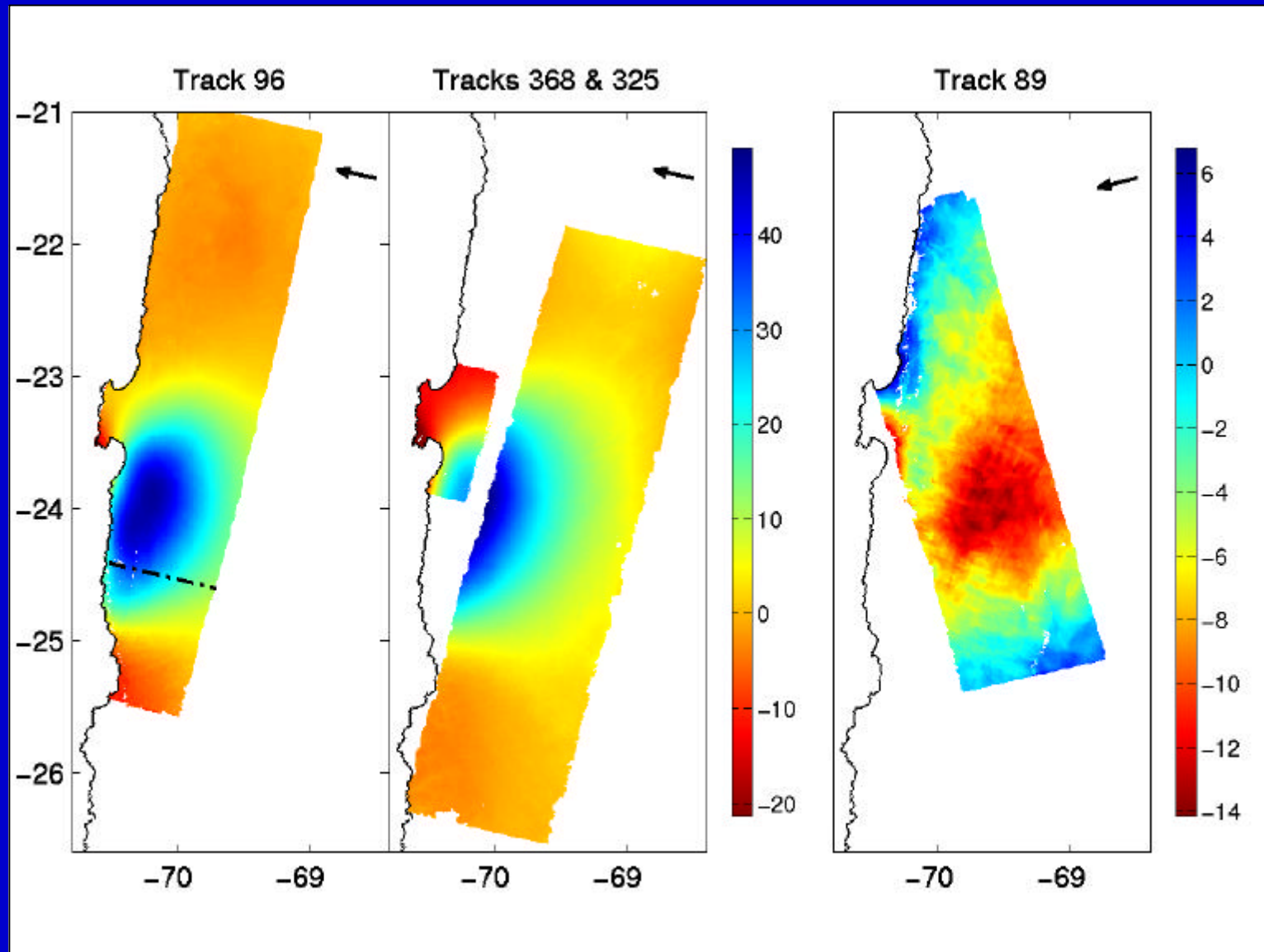
The available data:
Mw 8.1 1995 and Mw 7.1 1998



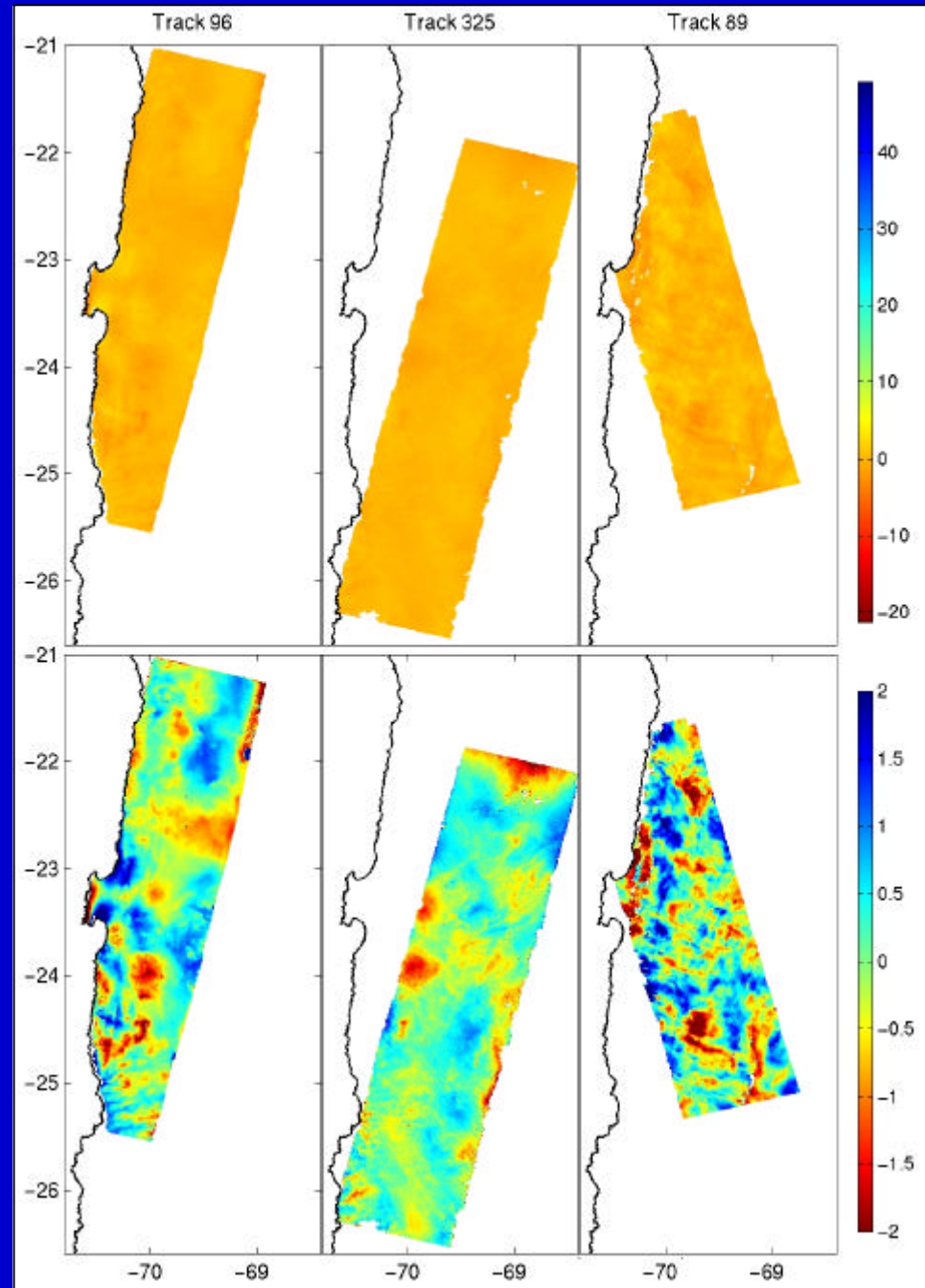
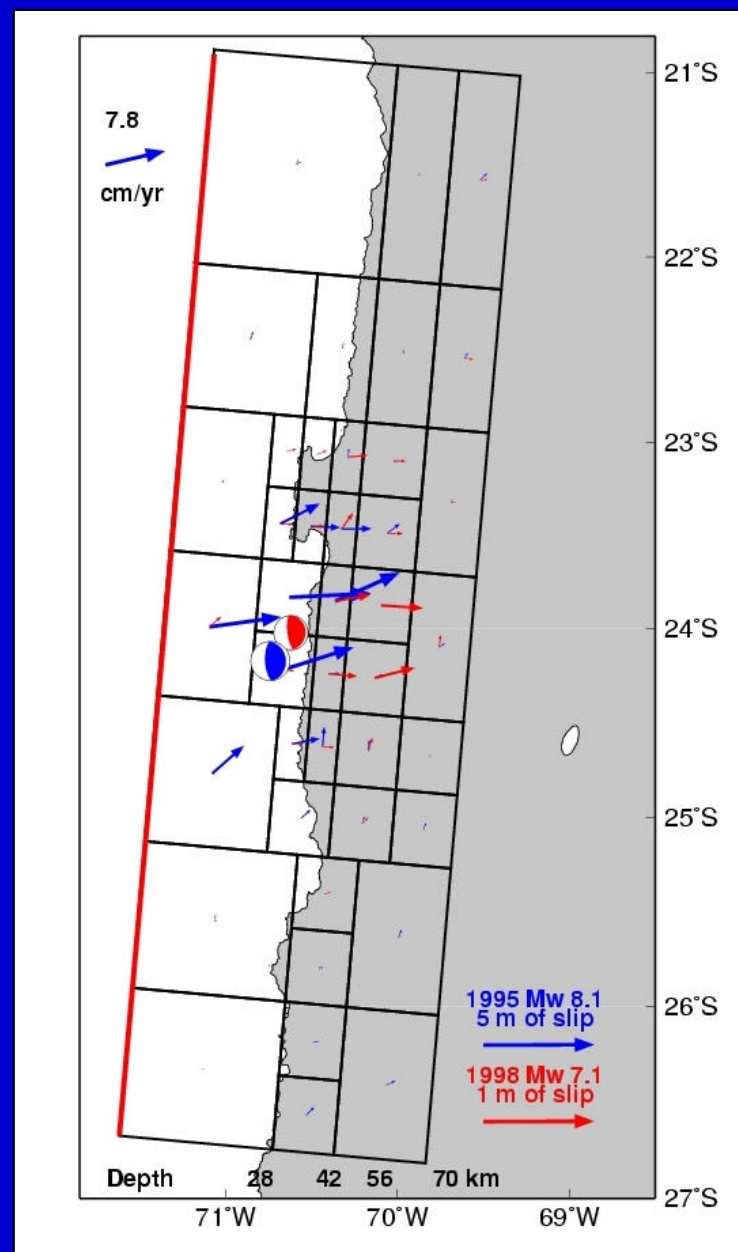
Compare previous models to InSAR



1995 Mw 8.1: Phase unwrapped



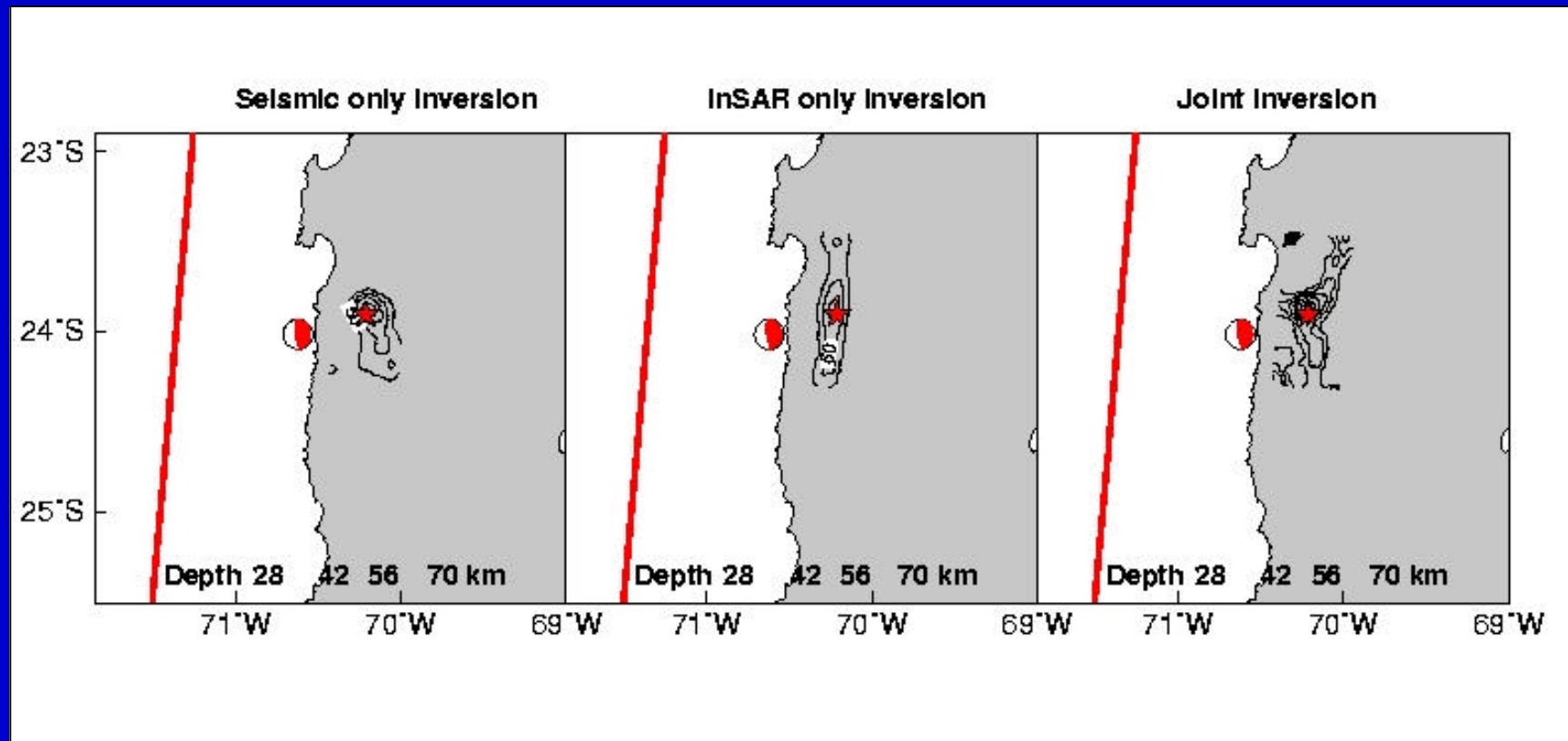
1995 Mw 8.1: The model



Methods

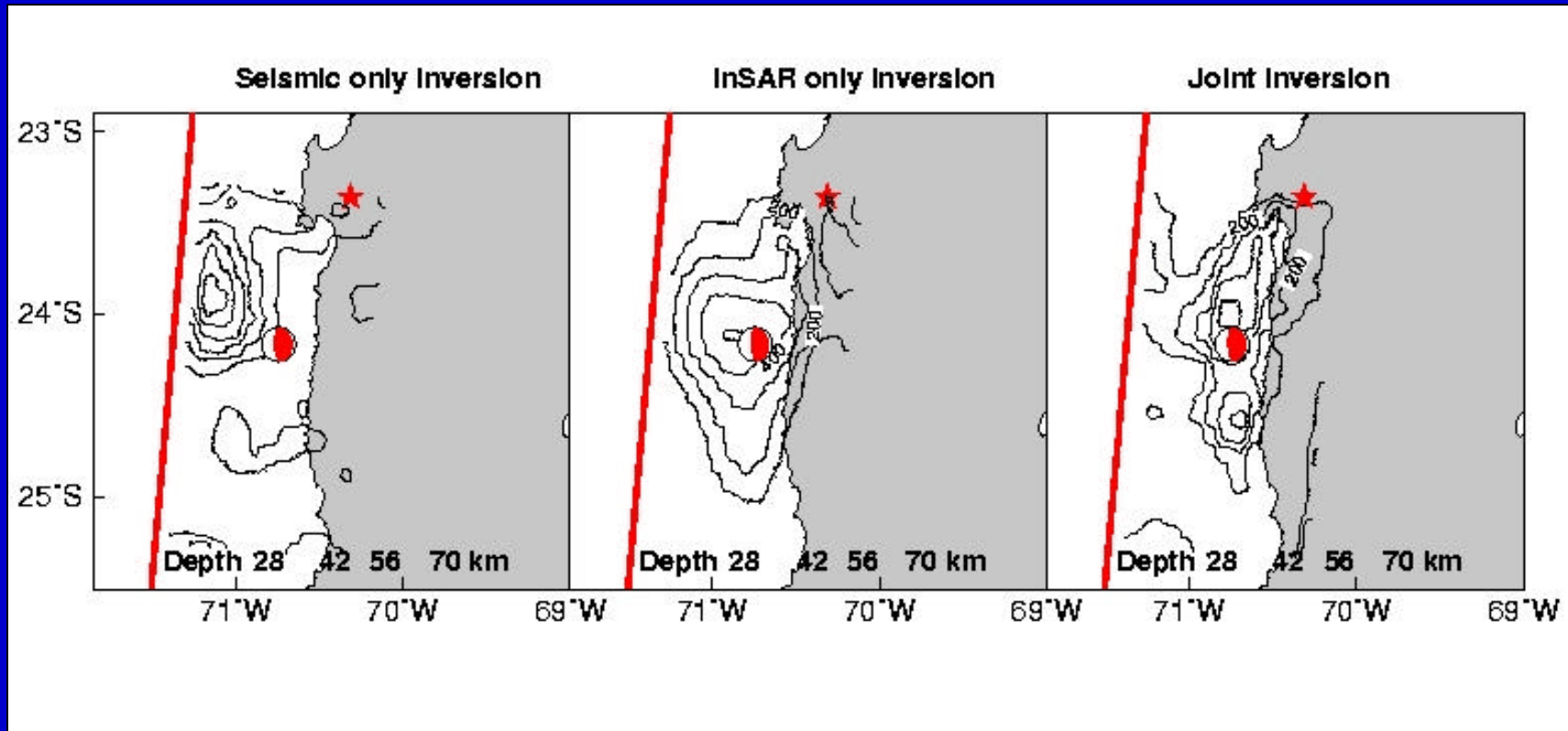
- Seismic data:
 - Teleseismic displacement data ($30^\circ < \Delta < 90^\circ$)
 - 1995 Mw 8.1: 125 seconds, 19 P; 16 SH records
 - 1998 Mw 7.1: 60 seconds, 18 P; 15 SH records
 - Station response, attenuation
 - Wavelet transform records to optimize spatial and temporal resolution (Ji et al., 2002)
- InSAR data:
 - 1995: 5 orbital tracks of data, 12 interferograms (ASC/DSC)
 - 1998: 2 orbital tracks of data, 5 interferograms (DSC)
- Inversion
 - 1D layered space model at source (Husen et al., 1999)
 - Minimize misfit, moment, roughness
 - Solve for slip amplitude and direction, rise time, and rupture velocity
 - Simulated annealing algorithm (Rothman, 1986)

Compare slip inferred from different datasets



⇒ For 1998 Mw 7.1 earthquake: seismic and geodetic results similar (CMT epicenter off by 40 km)

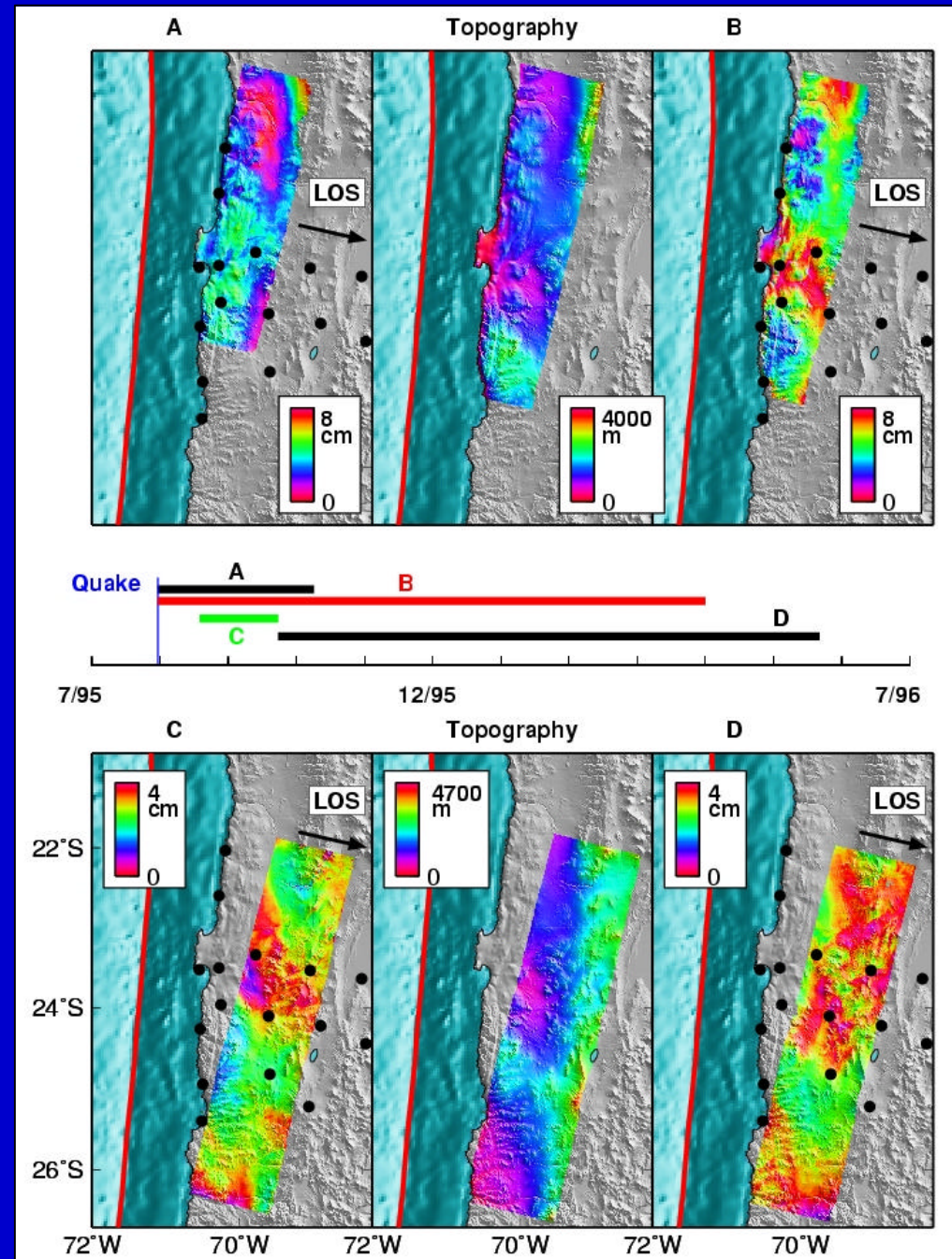
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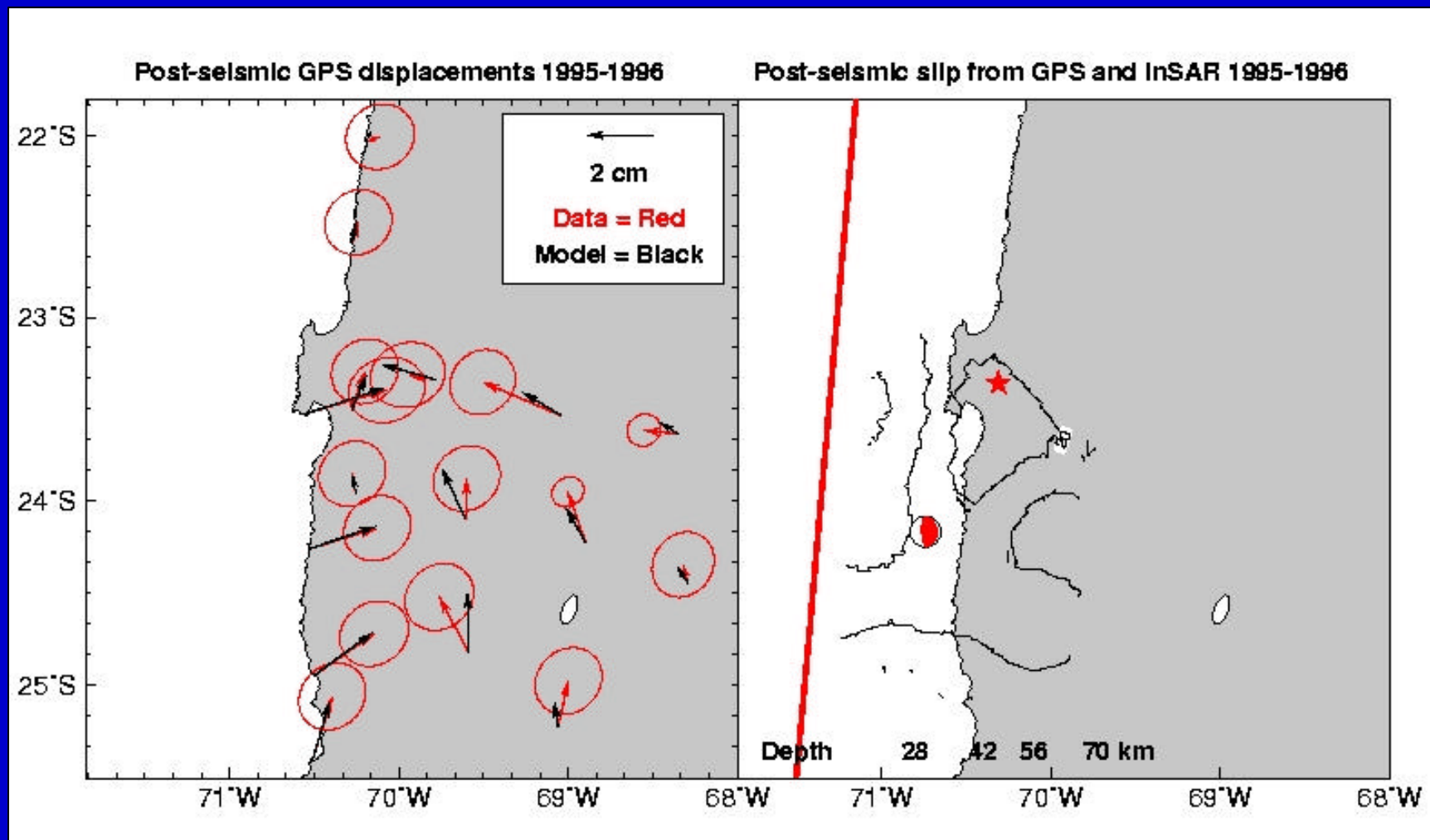
⇒ For 1995 Mw 8.1 earthquake: seismic and geodetic results differ

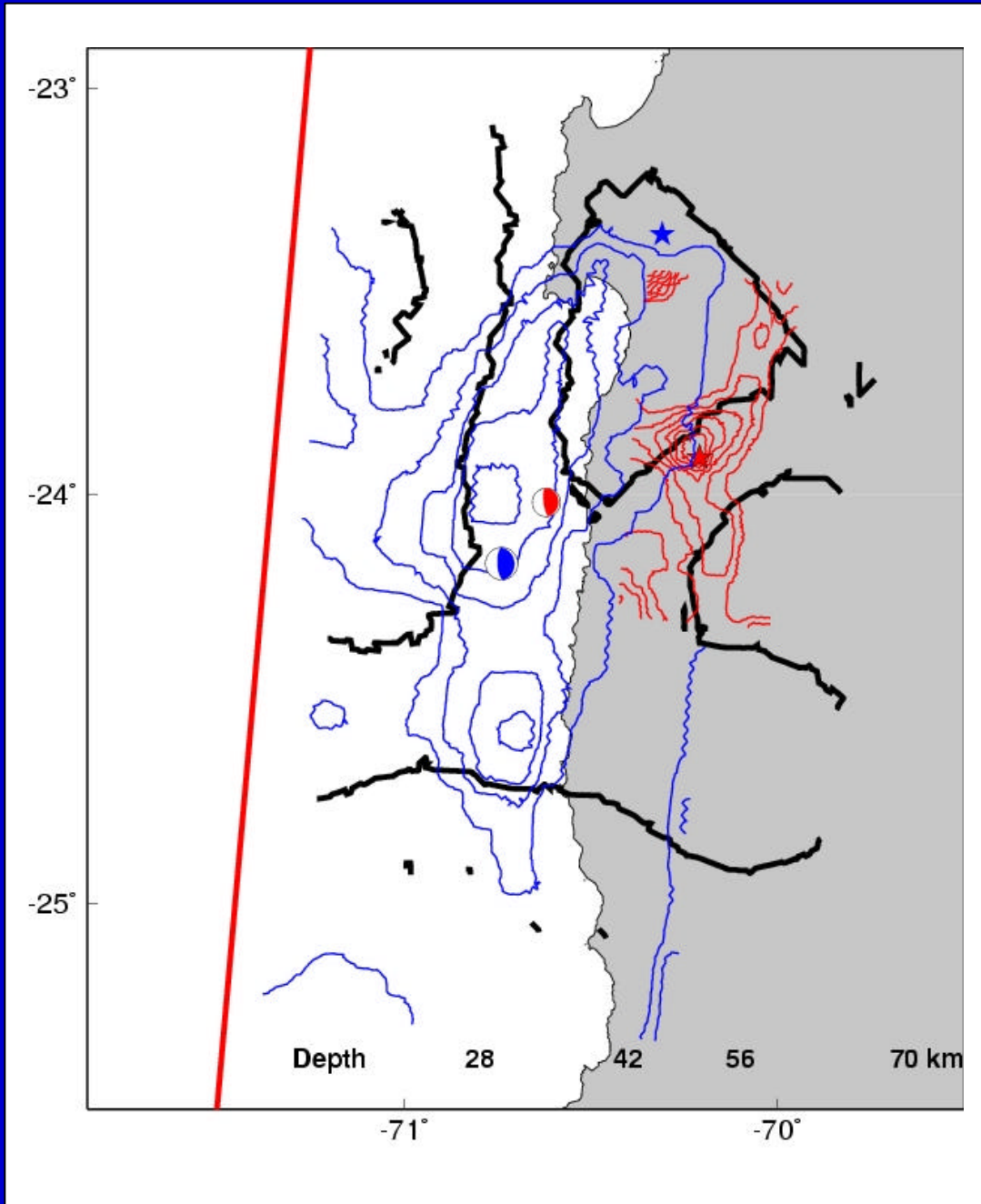
Post Seismic?

- Little seen with InSAR
- Signal mostly due to tropospheric contamination
- InSAR constrains where slip did not happen



Post-seismic deformation visible in GPS data





Co-seismic and Post-seismic slip

Max slip:
1995 Mw 8.1: 5m
1998 Mw 7.1: 1 m
1 yr Post: 20 cm

Chile Conclusions

- Seismic and geodetic slip inversions:
 - CMT discrepancy for small, simple event (Mw 7.1, 1998)
- Earthquakes appear to mosaic fault plane
- Little post-seismic deformation from Mw 8.1 compared to earthquakes of similar size
- Future work:
 - 3 Mw 7's from the 1980's
 - Can tsunami waveforms help constrain shallow slip?
 - Are there only smaller earthquakes at the bottom of the seismogenic zone?
 - Why so little post-seismic slip?
 - Role of peninsulas?

Earthquakes, gravity, and the seismogenic behavior of subduction zones

Use precise slip models and earthquake catalogs

Use sea surface altimetry (Sandwell & Smith)

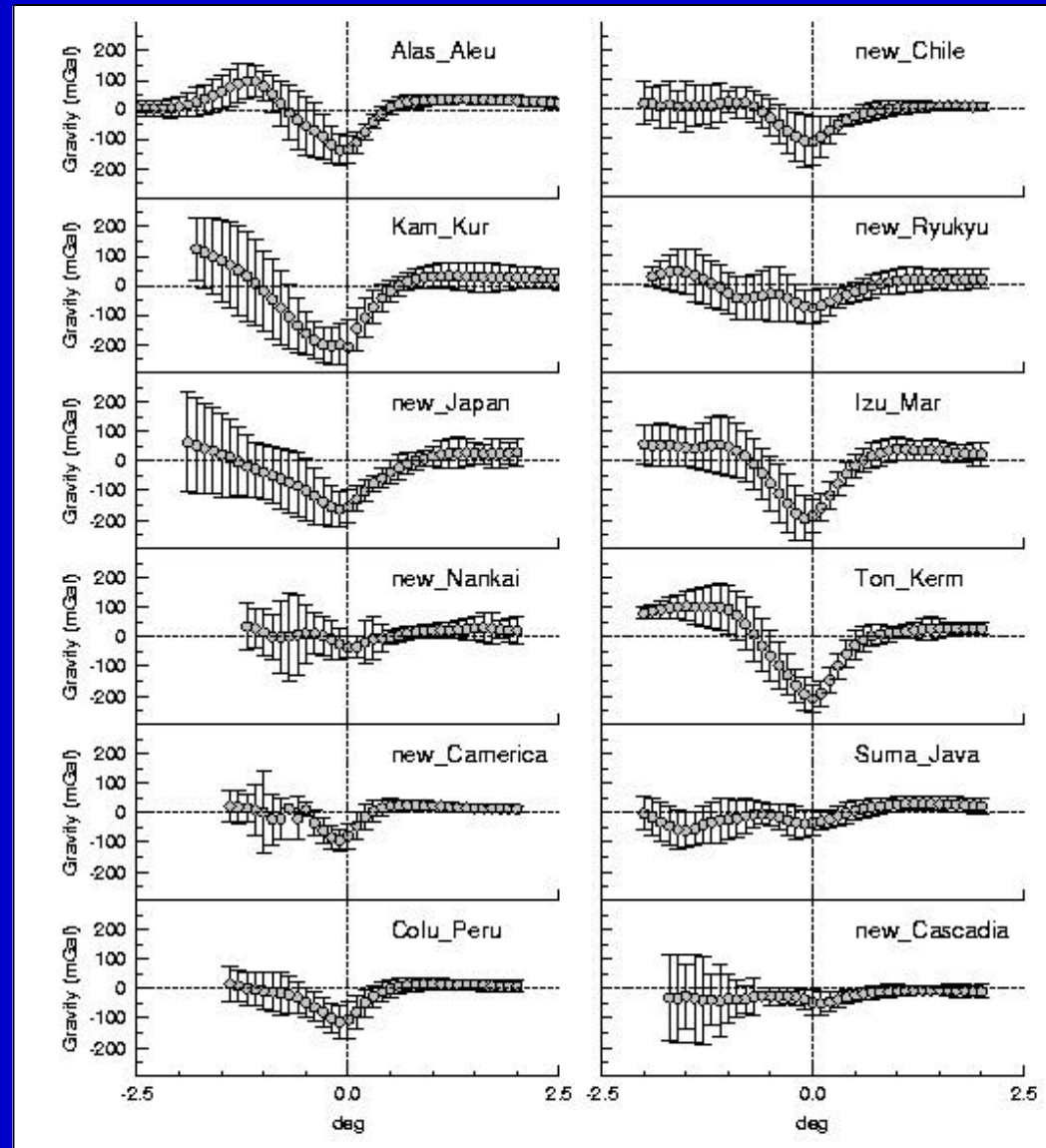
Averaged subduction zone gravity profiles

➤ Variations

- Age
- Convergence rate

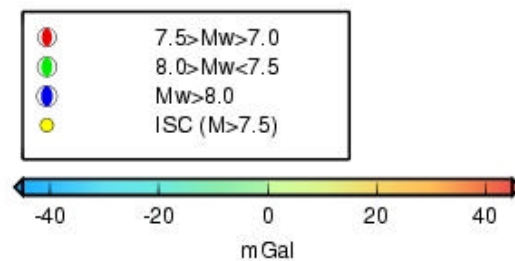
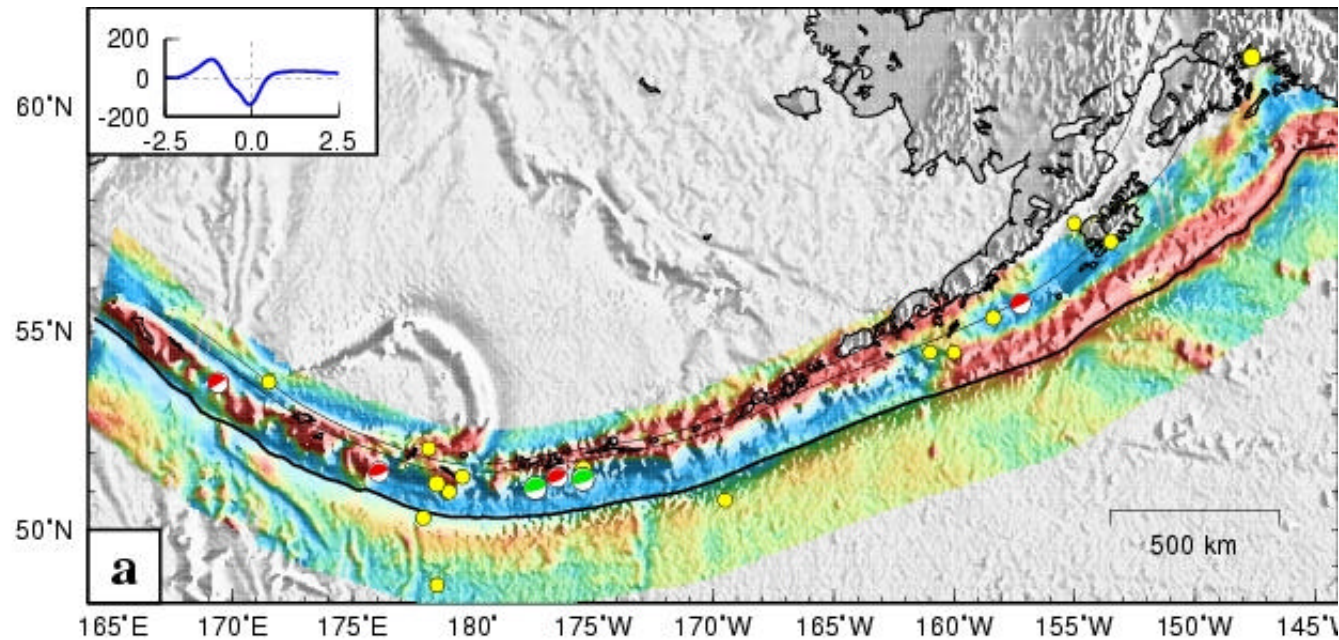
➤ No strong correlation with seismogenic behavior

Concentrate on trench parallel gravity anomaly (TPGA)

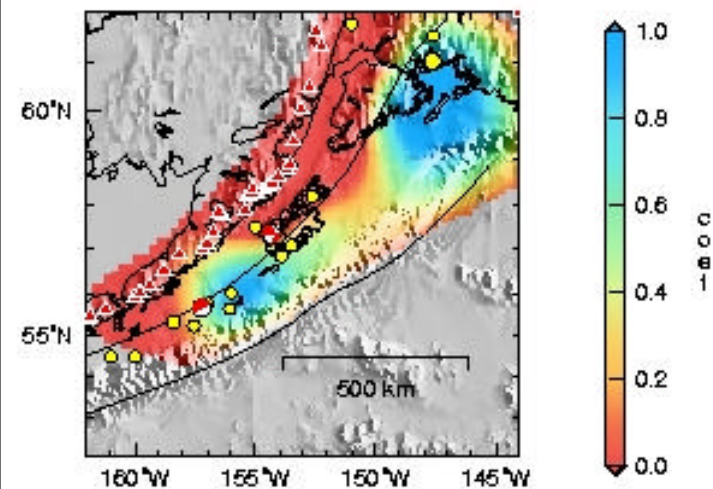


Trench Parallel Gravity Anomaly (TPGA)

Alaska

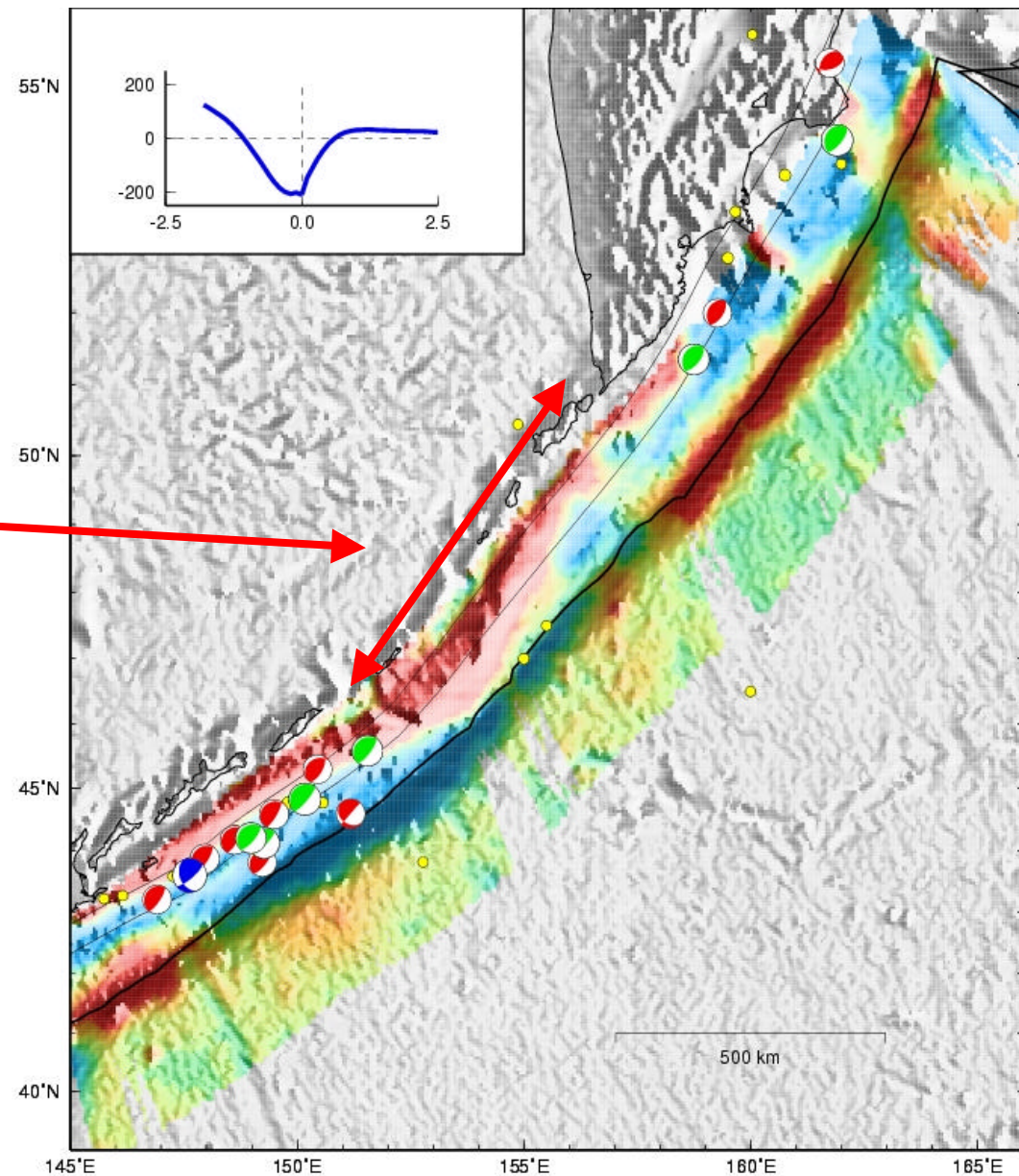
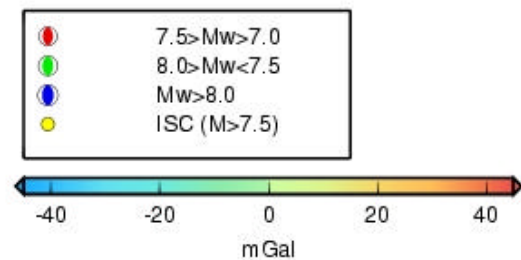


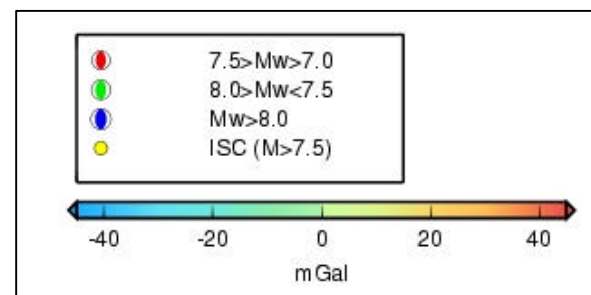
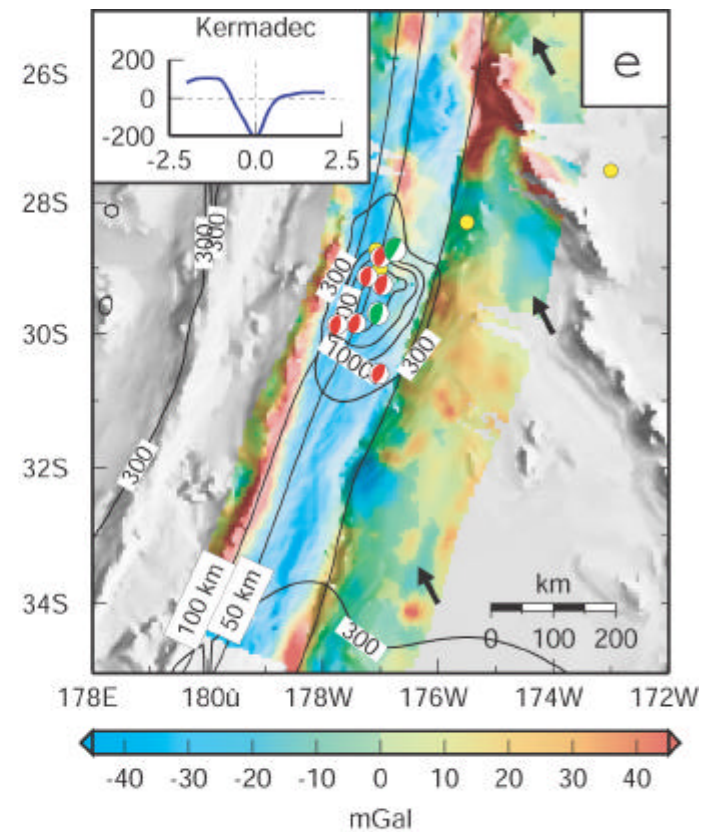
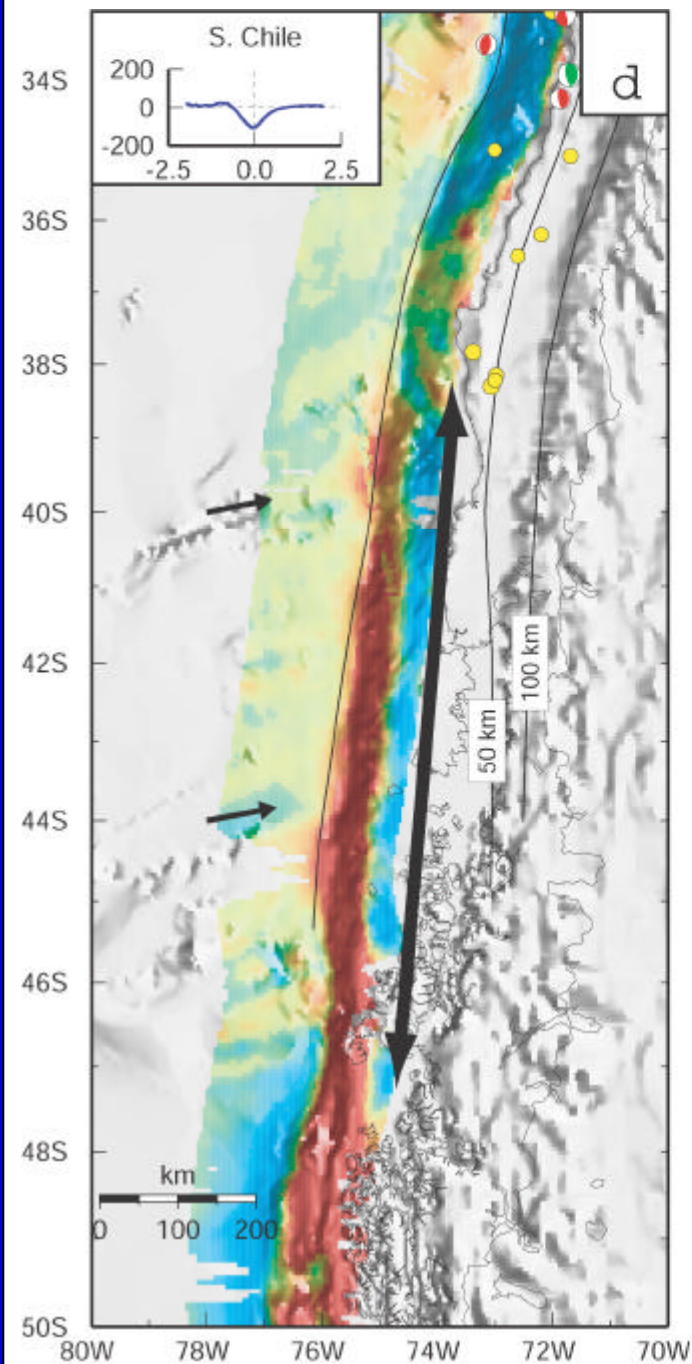
Post 1964 Interseismic
Zweck et al



TPGA for Kamchatka/Kurile

Known seismic gap





Histograms

Seismic moment release in equal area TPGA bins

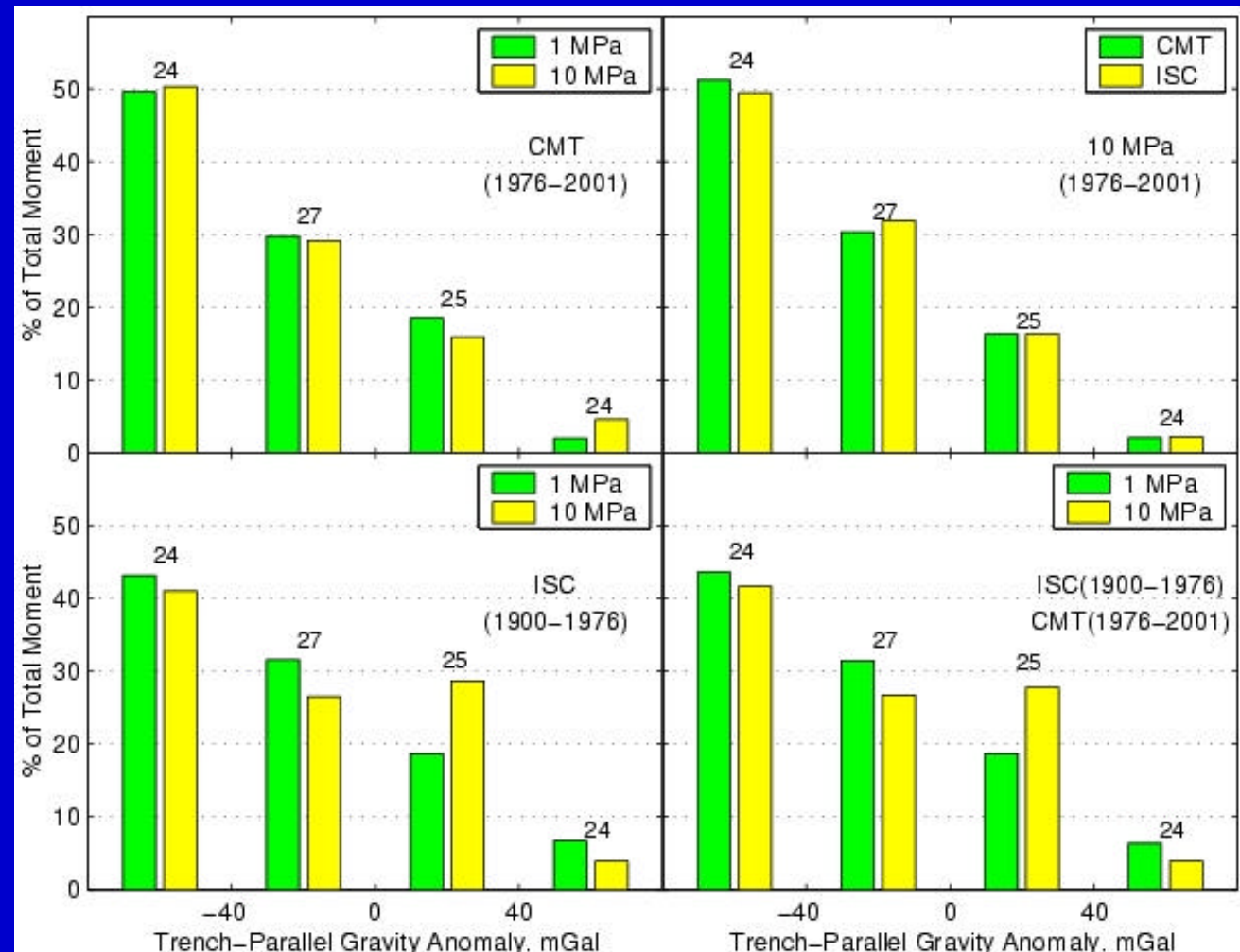
Consider EQ catalogs

Caveats:

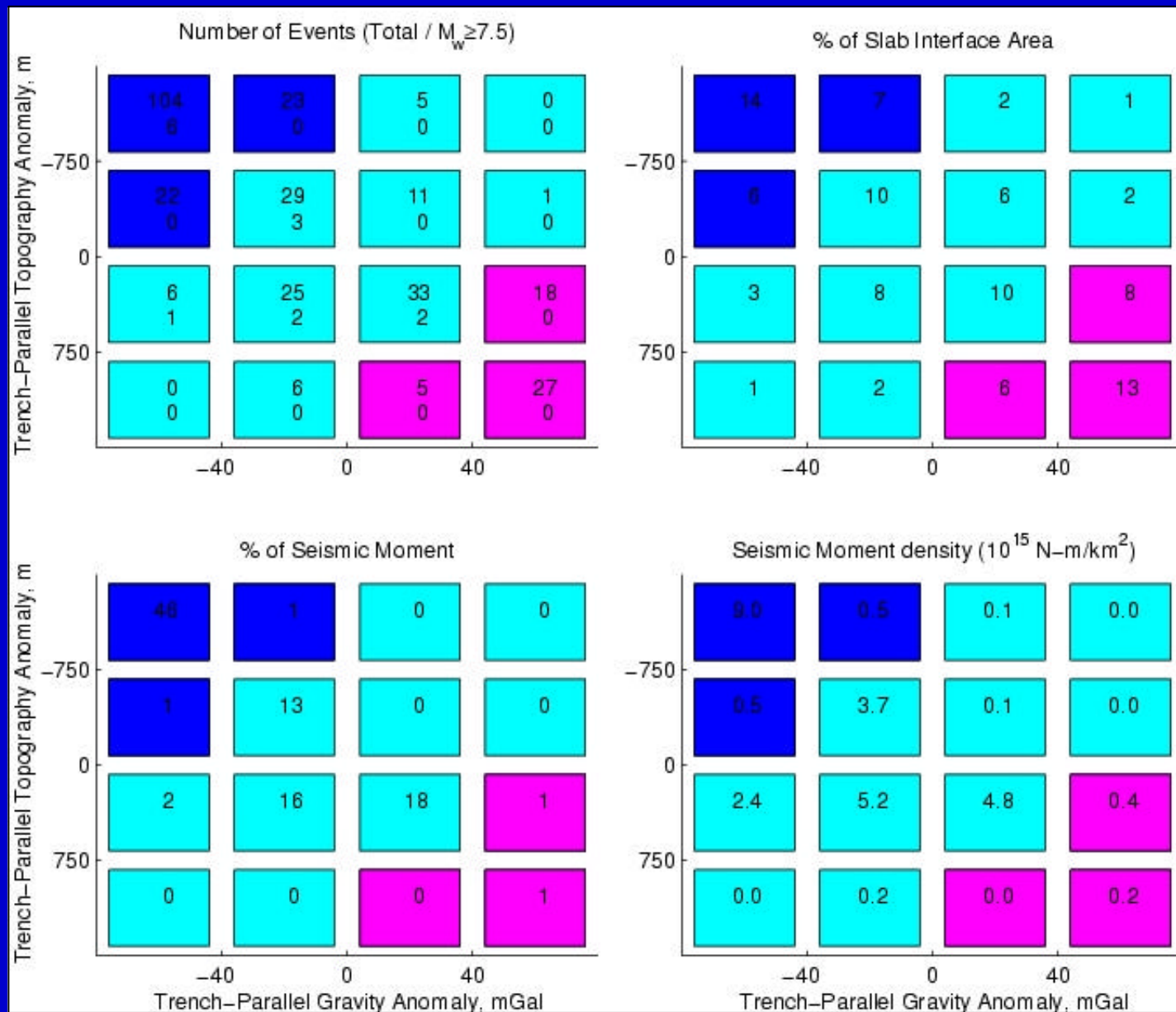
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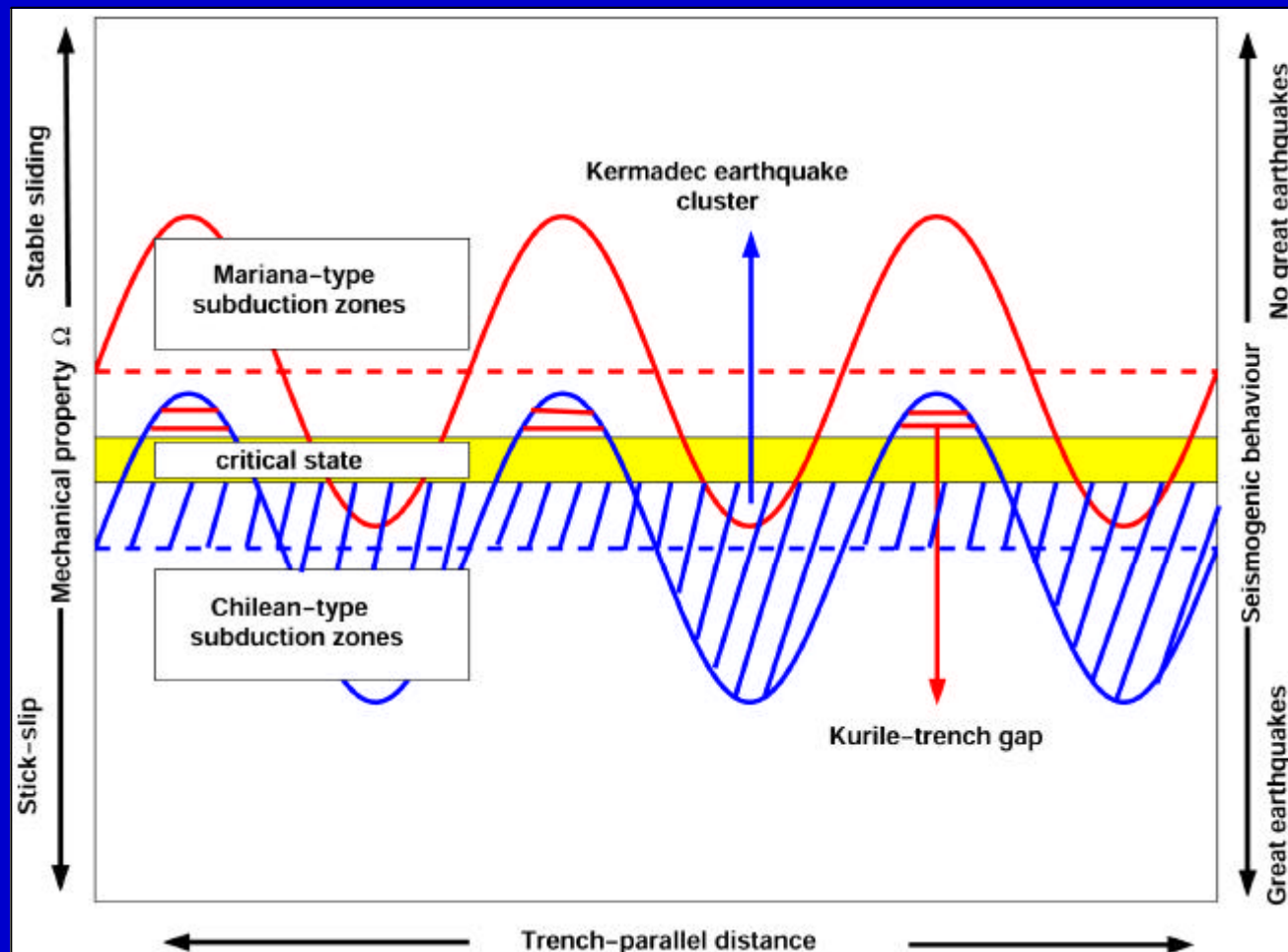
Implications:

- Spatial fixity
- Predictive
- Tsunami potential



Joint TPGA and TPTA Histograms





1. Mean level controlled by age, velocity, T...
2. Coupling of long term tectonics and seismogenic behavior
3. Spatial predictivity
4. Tsunamogenic predictivity
5. Eventually model-derived bounds on stress variations
6. Need better source models for historic EQs

The future of InSAR?

- Wide swath
- L Band (25cm wavelength)
- Short revisit times Tight orbital control
- Small pixels for high strain zones and decorrelation
- Reduce troposphere/ionosphere artifacts
- Frequent multiple components (asc/dsc/left/right)
- Global access
- Constellation -> science and robustness
- Rapid delivery
- Free/Cheap data

- ALOS
 - L Band, 45 day repeat, asc only, no US data agreement
- ENVISAT
 - C Band, 35 day repeat, no US data agreement (not free)

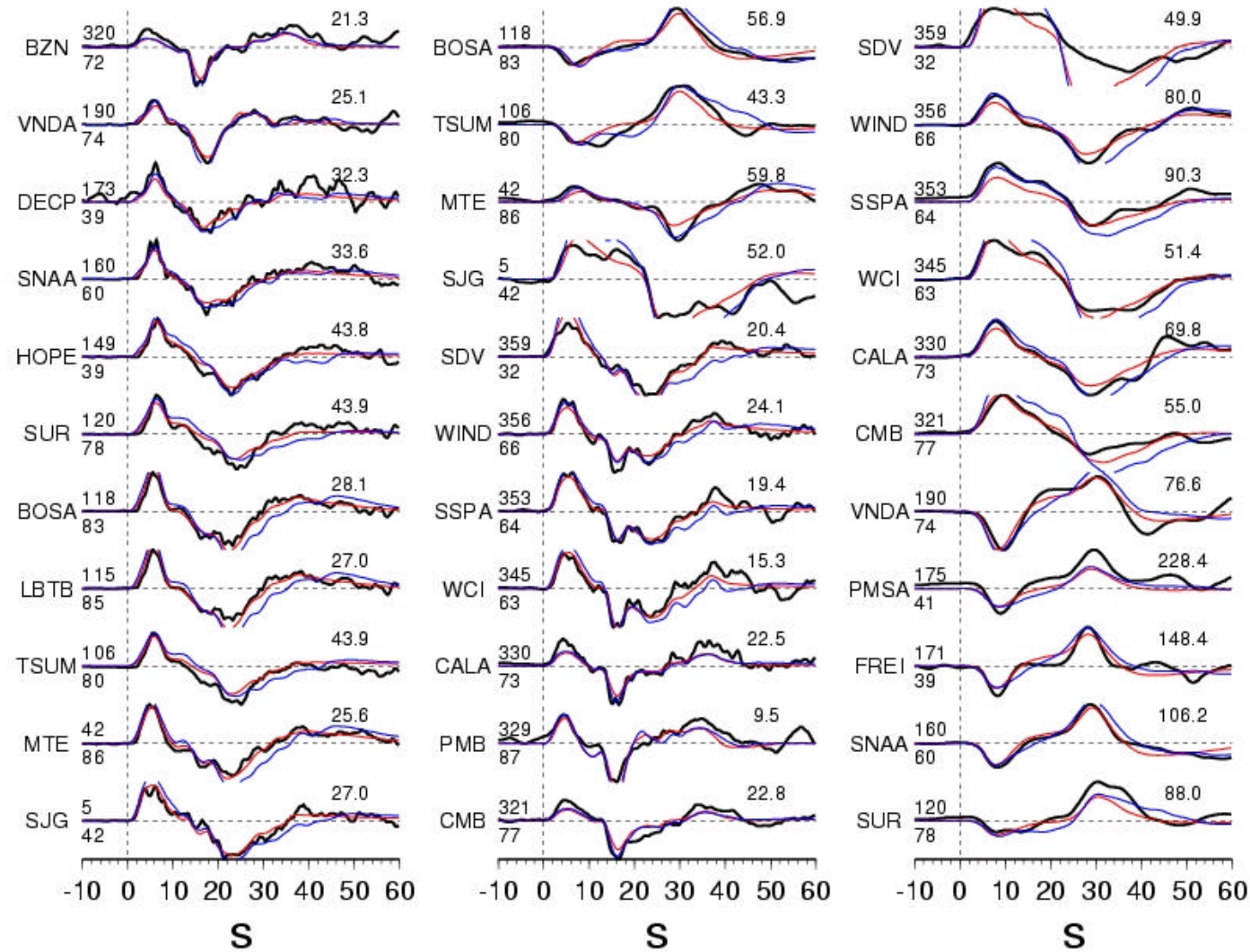
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Red = seismic only inversion

Blue = joint inversion

Black = data

Waveforms for Mw 7.1 1/30/1998 Earthquake



Waveforms for Mw 8.1 7/30/1995 Earthquake

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