

# Preview of the New AIR South America Earthquake Models



The image features a stylized map of South America, with the landmasses in light yellow and the surrounding oceans in light blue. This map is centered within a large, light green circular frame. Overlaid on the map is a thick, vibrant green line graph that fluctuates significantly, with several sharp peaks and valleys, suggesting seismic activity or data trends. The background of the entire slide is a solid, medium green color.

# THE NEW AIR EARTHQUAKE MODELS FOR SOUTH AMERICA

Chile | Colombia | Ecuador | Peru | Venezuela

# Agenda



- New Hazard Modeling: Data & Methods
- New Vulnerability Modeling: Data & Methods
- Model Validation: Component-Level & Loss Estimation
- Software: New Features for South America

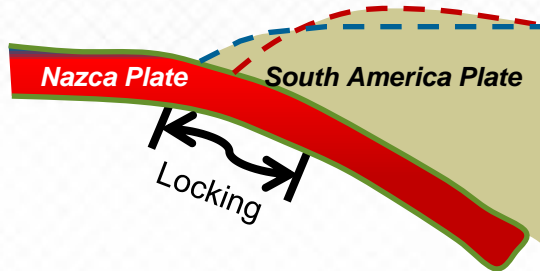
# New Hazard Modeling



*Mesut Turel*



# South America Is One of the Most Seismically Active Regions of the World



2010 Maule Earthquake

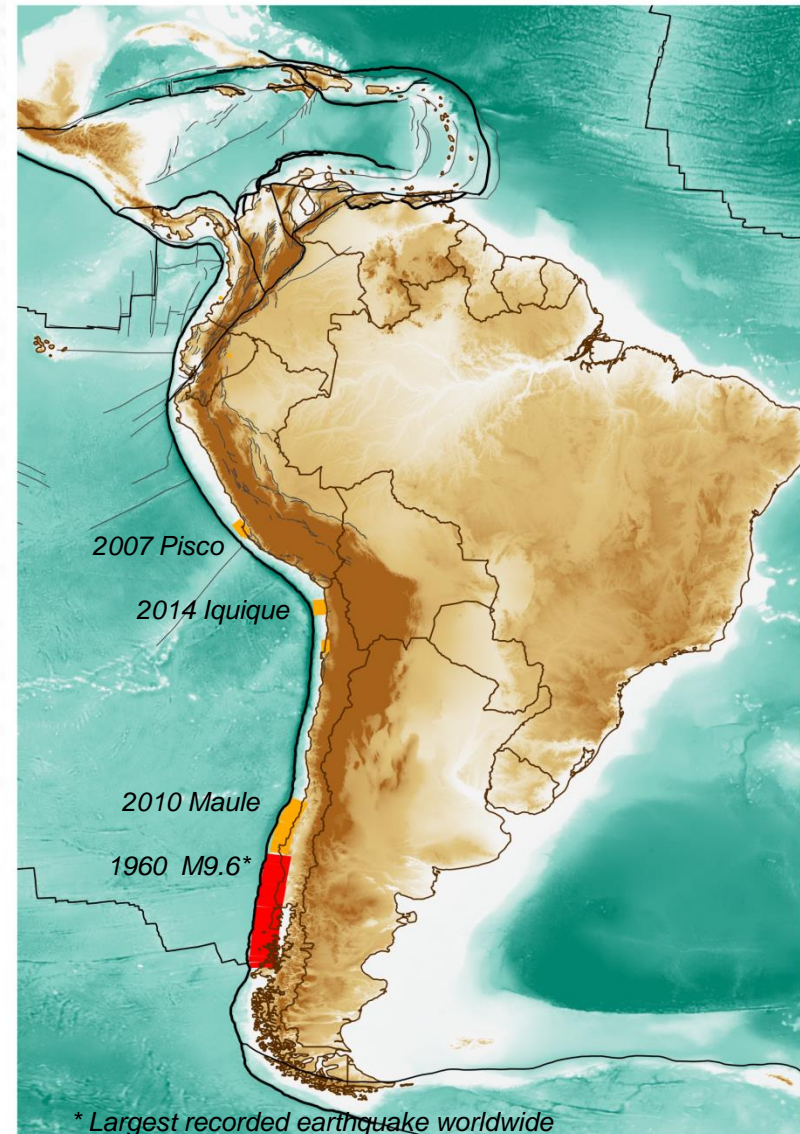
## 1960 M9.6 Earthquake

Length: 1000 km

Width: 100 – 150 km

Maximum Uplift: ~ 5.7 m

Maximum Subsidence: ~ 2.3 m



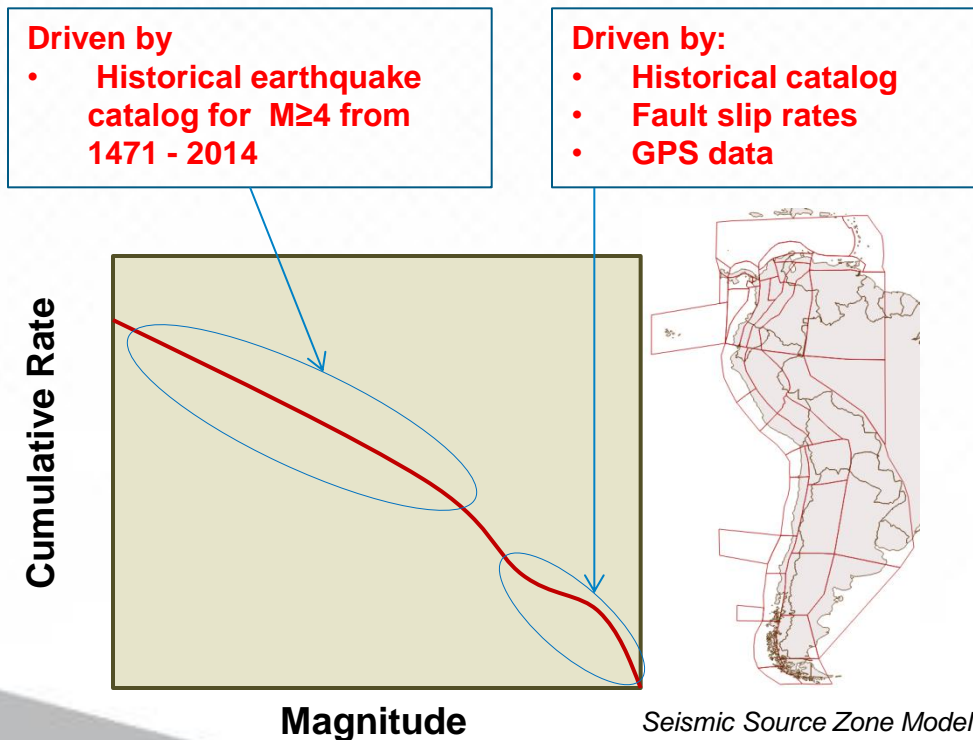
\* Largest recorded earthquake worldwide

# The AIR Earthquake Models for South America Is Receiving a Comprehensive Update



# Stochastic Event Generation Requires Latest Data Sources and Knowledge

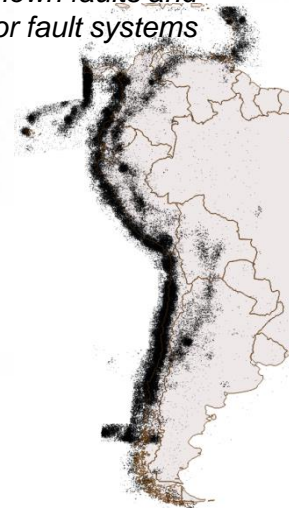
- Historical earthquakes, fault parameters, and GPS data constrain the magnitude-rate in a seismic source zone



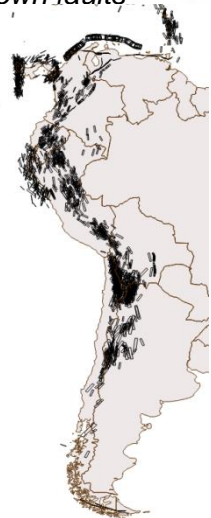
- Historical earthquake catalog data
- Fault slip rates
- GPS strain rates

**Seismic moment rate  
(Seismic budget)**

*Background seismicity on  
unknown faults and  
major fault systems*



*Characteristic earthquakes  
on known faults*





# The History of Past Events Is of Great Importance for Characterizing the Seismic Hazard

- Extensive evaluation of data sources including work of the

*Global Earthquake Model*



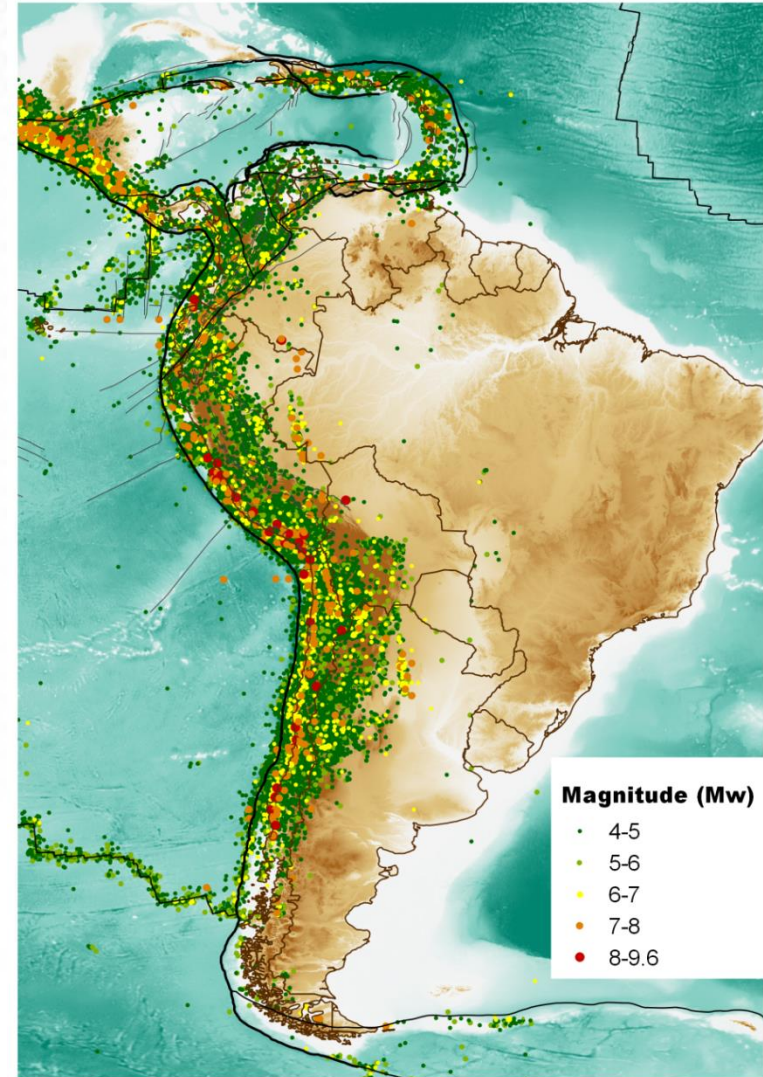
**GEM**



**Global CMT**

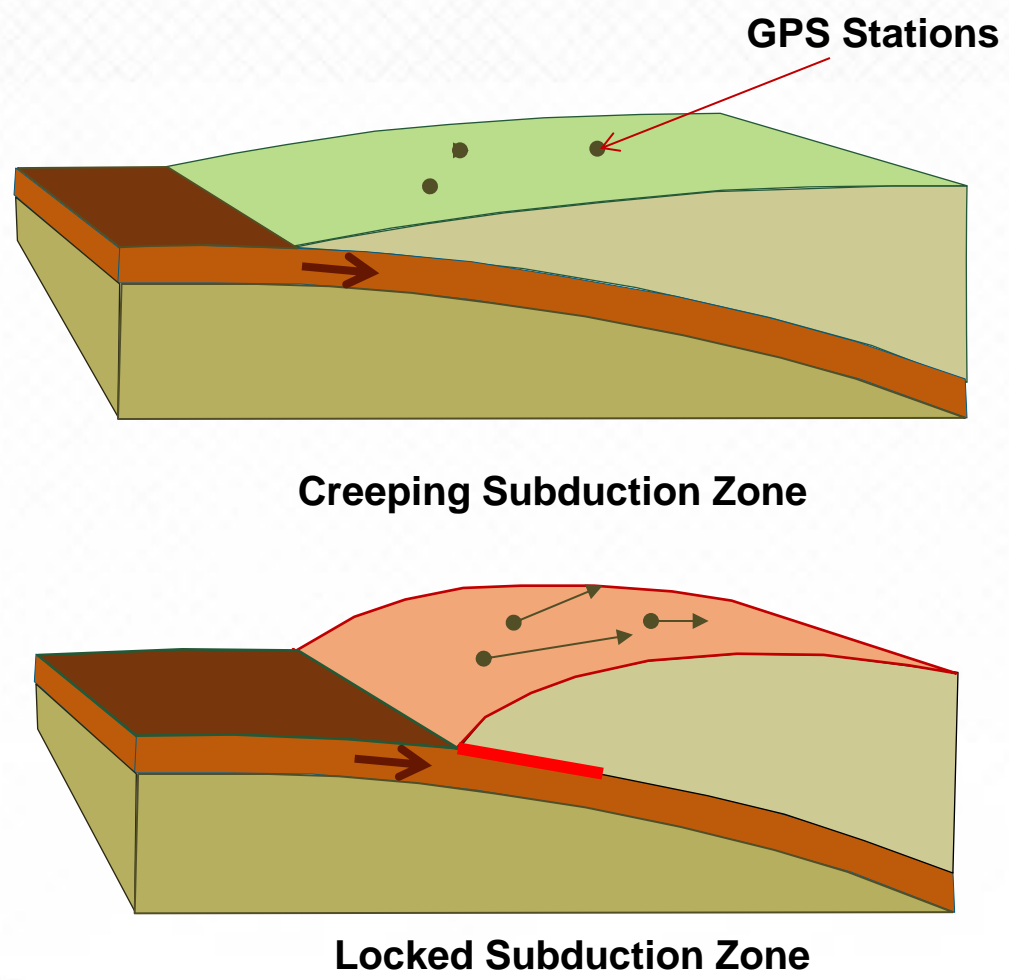


- Homogenization of data to moment magnitude (Mw) scale
- Compilation of unified, comprehensive catalog of 47k events  $M_w \geq 4$  from 1471 to 2014 based on a catalog quality and magnitude scale

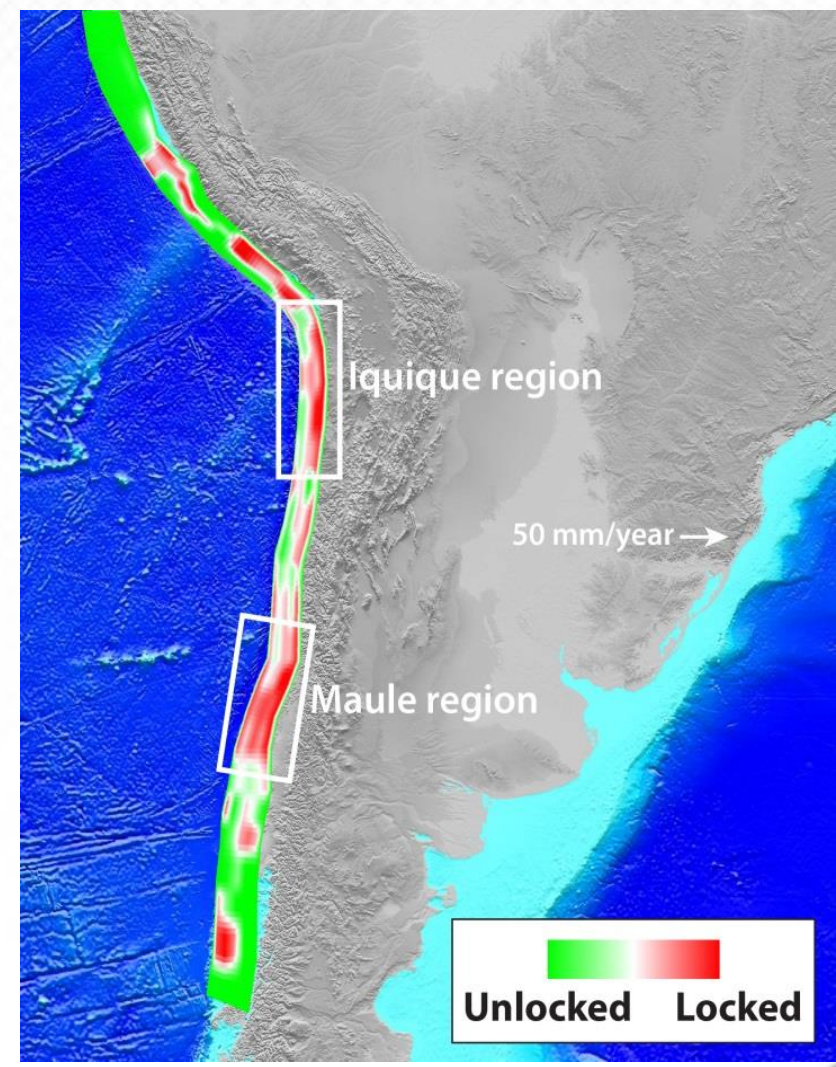




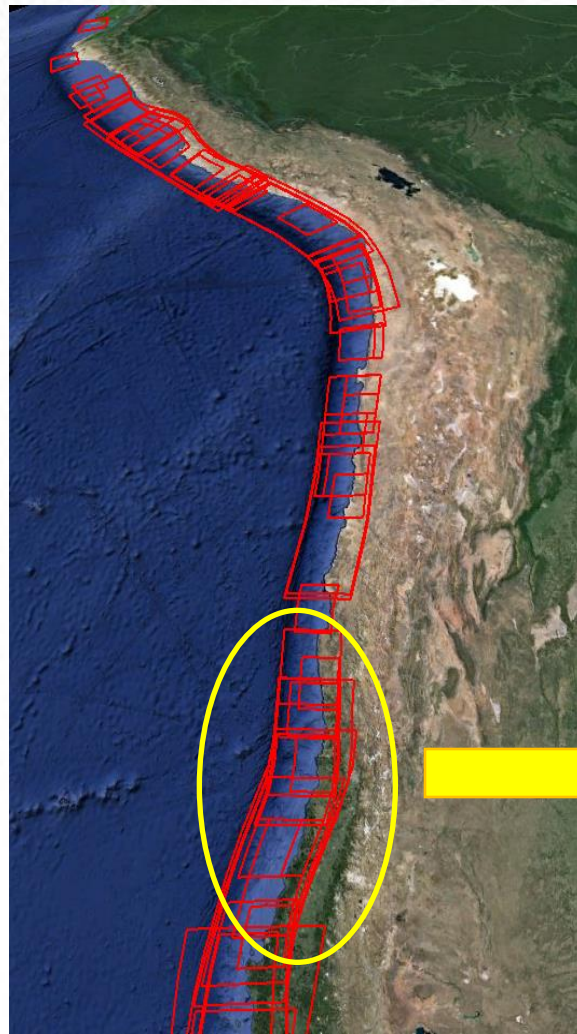
# Characterizing Subduction Zone Locking and Deformation



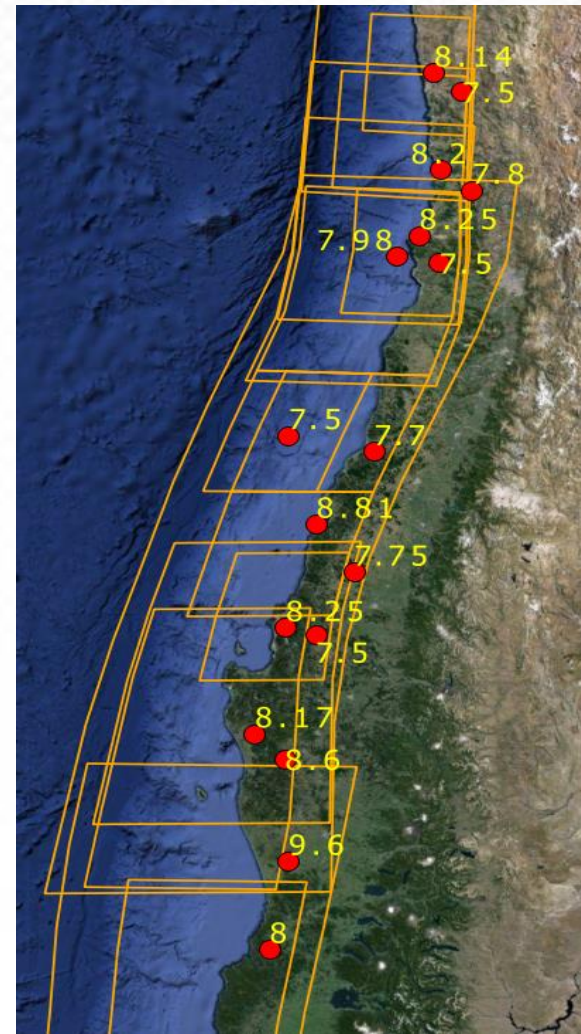
**Subduction Zone Locking Pre-2010 Maule**



# There Is a Need for Multi-Mode Time-Dependent Rupture Probability Models for Subduction Zones



*Historical Earthquake  
Rupture Areas*

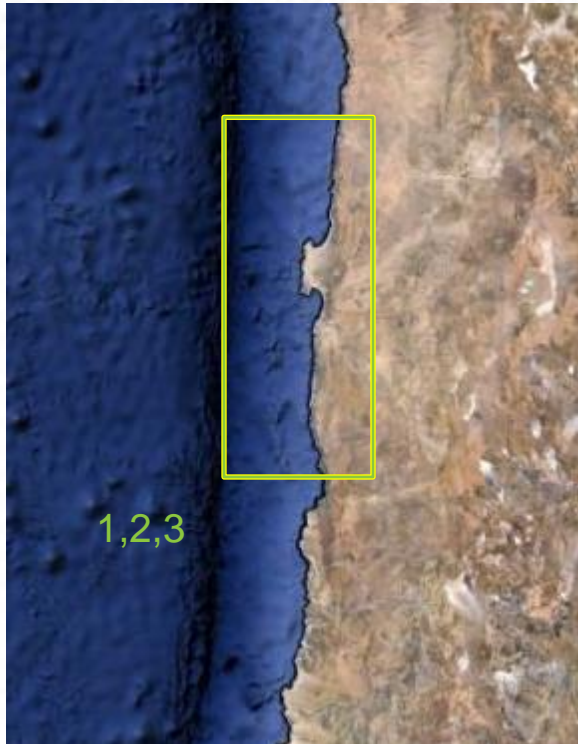


*Historical Epicenters*

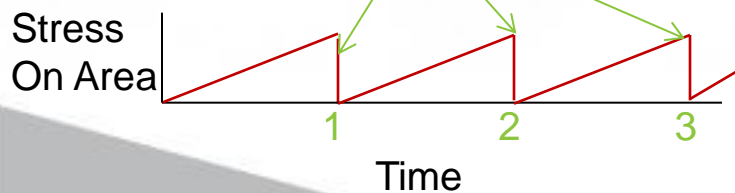


# Standard Versus New Approach to Time-Dependent Modeling

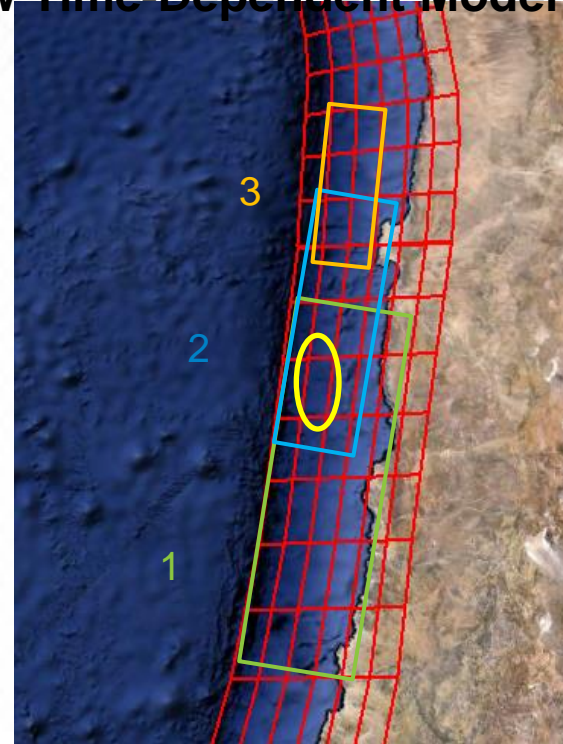
## Stochastic Renewal Model View



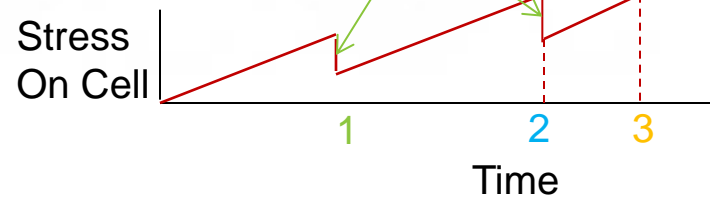
Earthquakes



## New Time-Dependent Model View



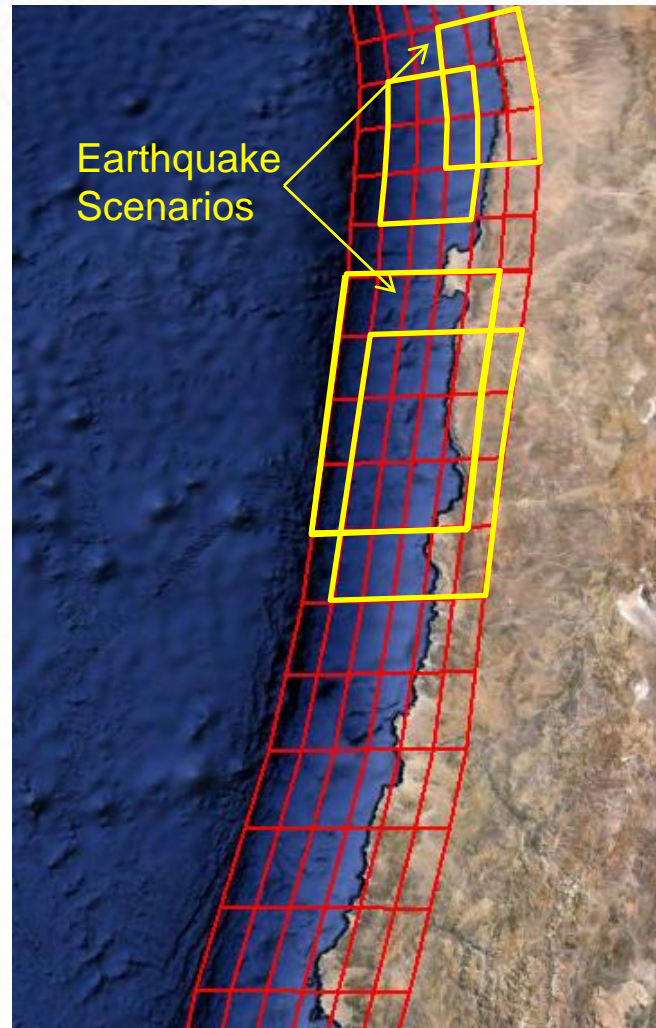
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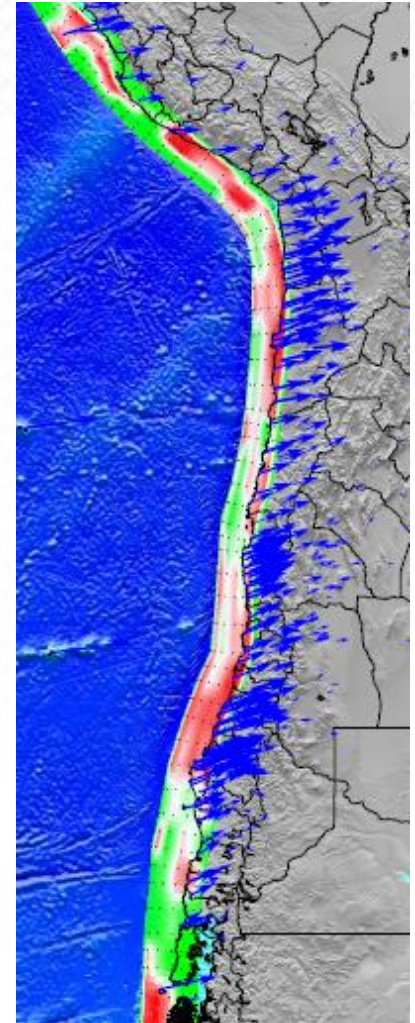
# Advantages of the AIR Time-Dependent Rupture Probability Model

Likelihoods of earthquakes are quantified using physical data:

- State of locking on the subduction interface
- Impact of historical earthquakes



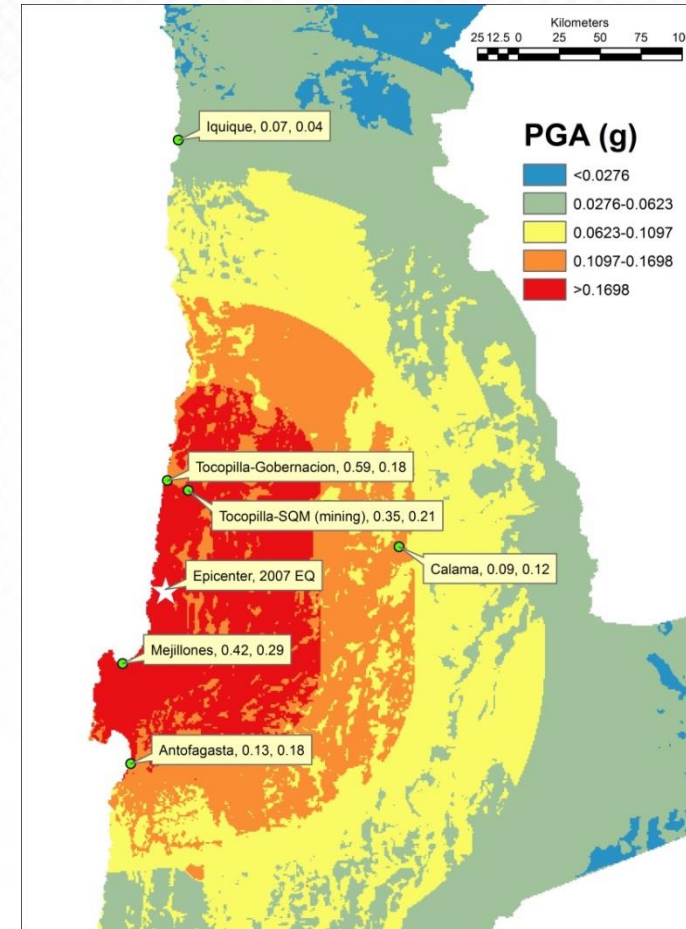
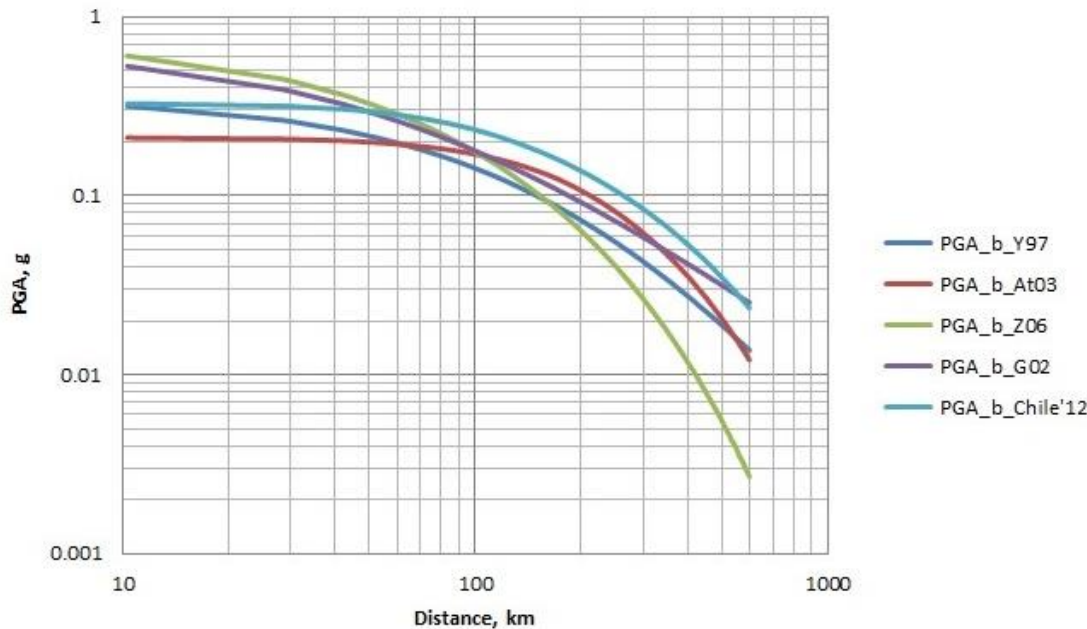
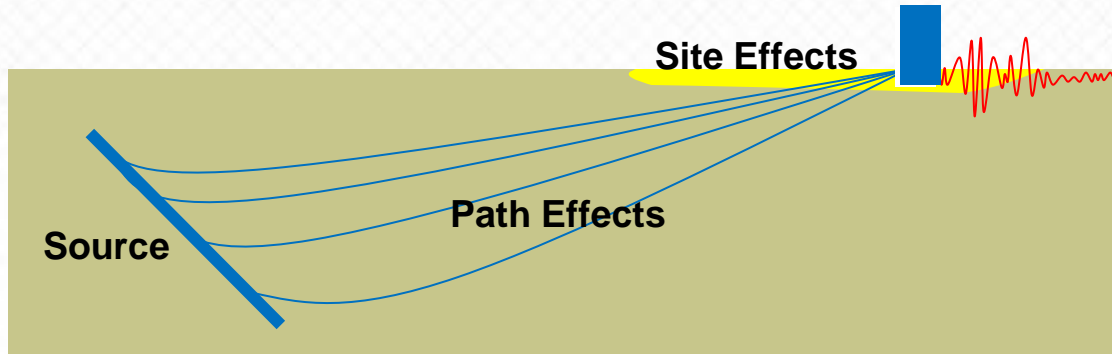
*AIR time-dependent model can capture complex rupture dynamics*



*State of locking from kinematic modeling*



# Ground Motion Prediction Equations (GMPEs) Are Updated Using Latest Research

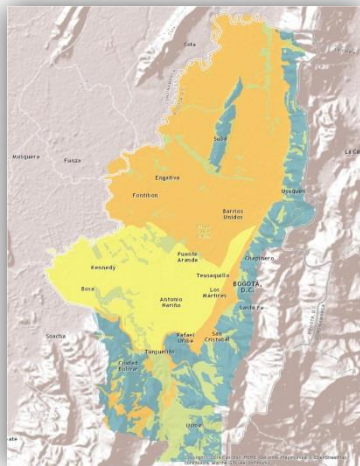


*2007 Tocopilla Modeled PGA*

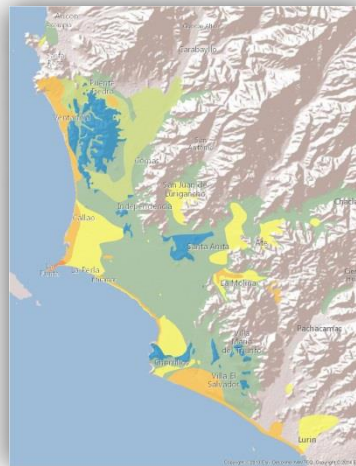
# Most Recent Geological Maps and Microzonation Studies Are Used To Create Soil Maps



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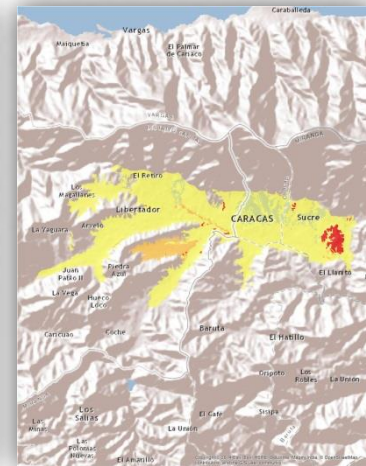
**Bogota**



**Lima**



**Guayaquil**



**Caracas**

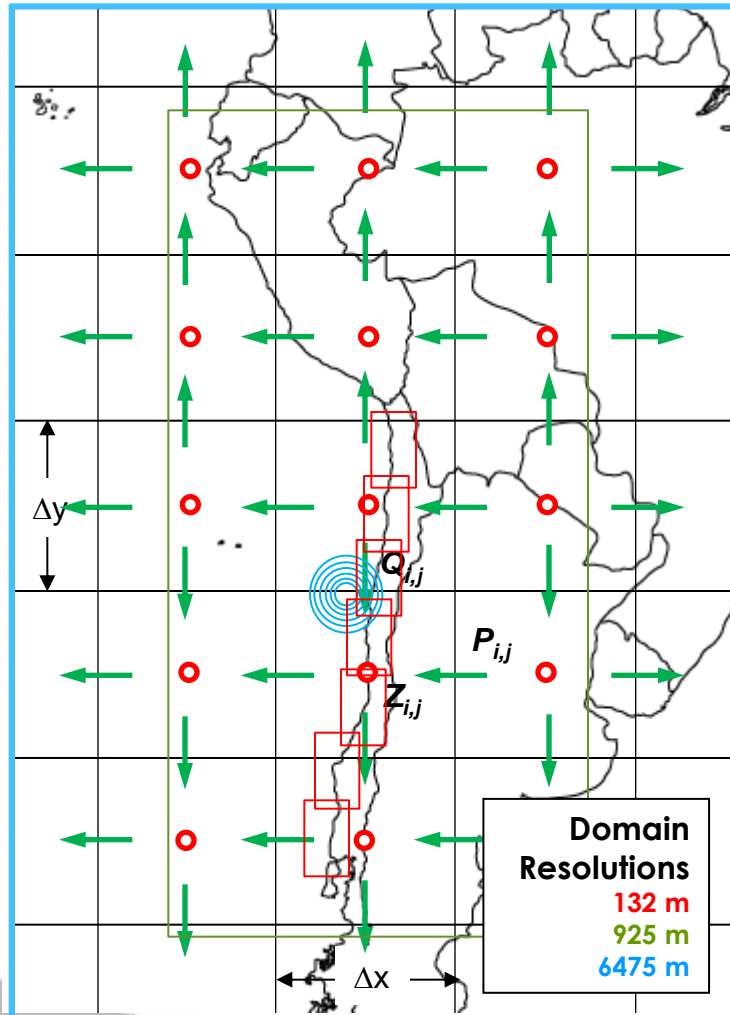


# The Need for a Tsunami Model Was Greatly Felt After the Destructive 2010 Maule Earthquake

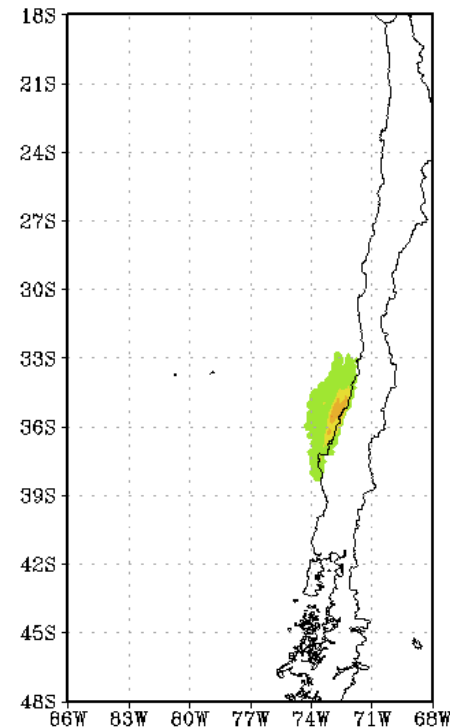


# Numerical Modeling Best Captures Tsunami Complexities

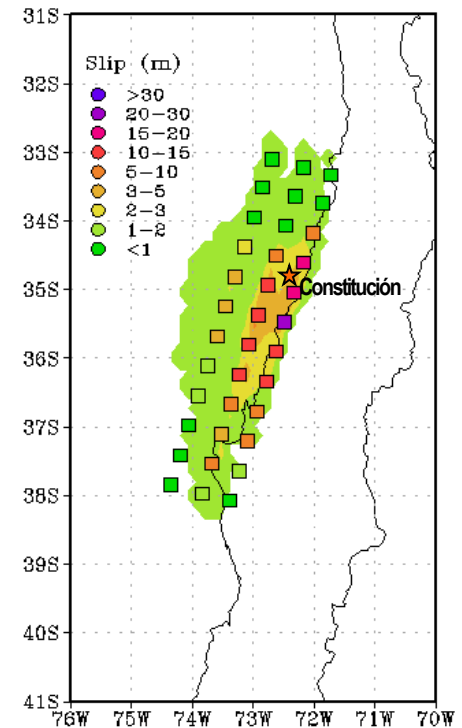
schematic domain configuration for an event



Tsunami Hgt at 0001 min

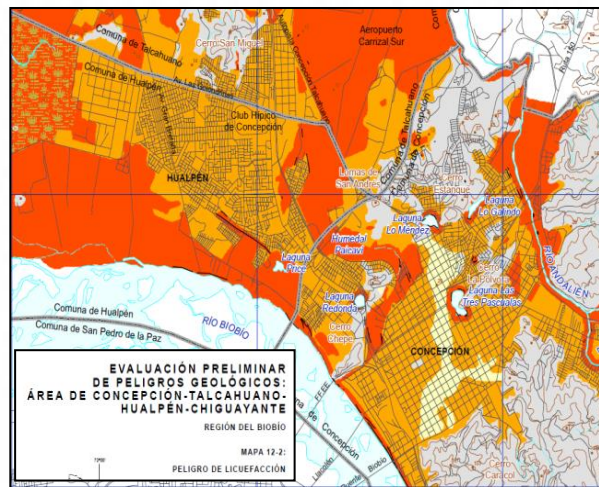


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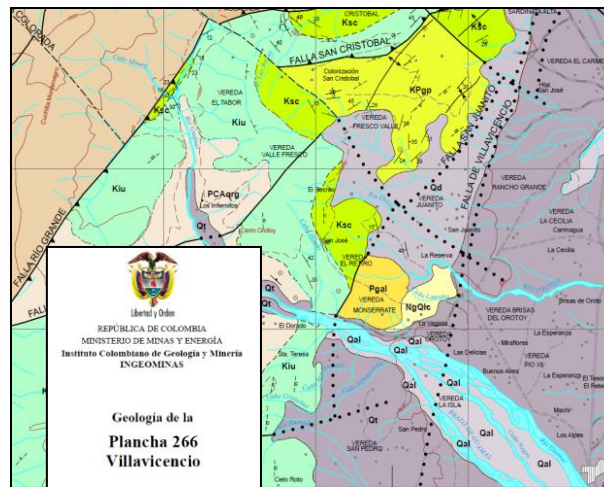




# Liquefaction Risk Is Modeled Explicitly



Liquefaction Hazard Maps



Surficial Geology Maps




Groundwater Depth Maps

# New Vulnerability Modeling



# Vulnerability Update Uses State-of-the-Art Engineering and Data for Damage Estimation



Risk Type	Shake	Tsunami	Liquefaction
Building/Content/BI	✓	New	New
Industrial Facilities	New	New	New
Infrastructure	New	New	New
Builder's Risk	New	New	New
Auto	✓	New	New

✓ Existing model

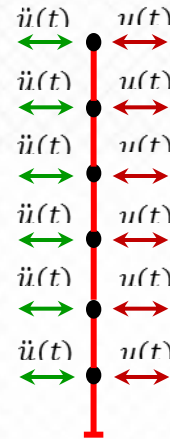
- New methodology for shake damage estimation
- Building code–based vulnerability classification for each country



# The Updated Damage Functions Are Generated Through Extensive Engineering Analyses



**Representative Building**

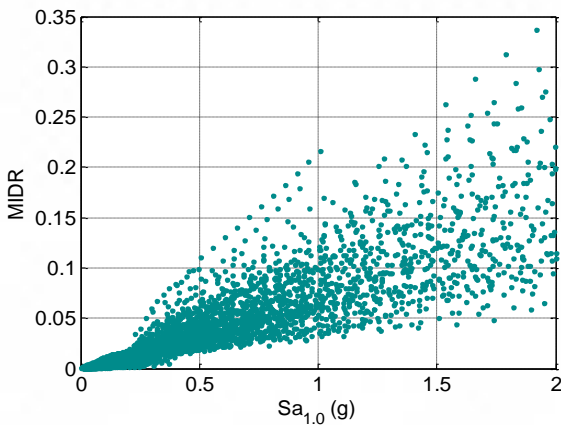


**Numerical Models**

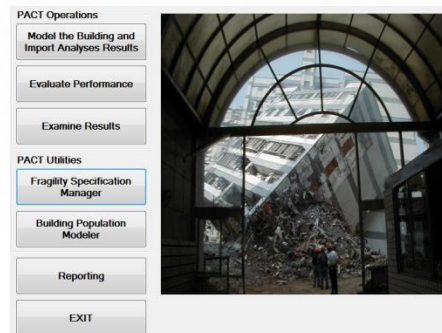


Subjected to  
**6900** Ground  
Motion Records  
from  
Earthquakes  
Worldwide

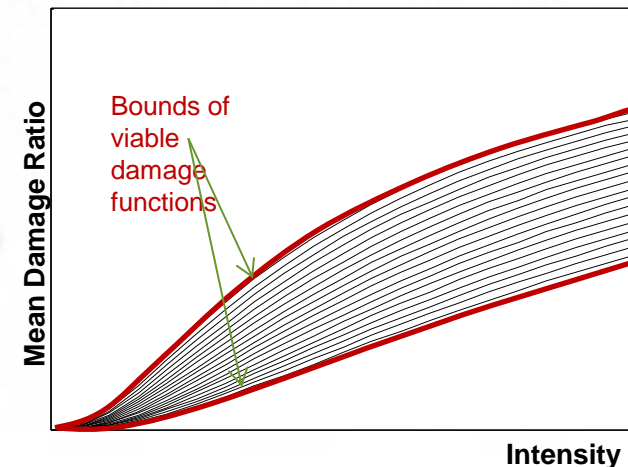
**Nonlinear Dynamic Analysis**



**Building Response vs. Ground Motion**



**Estimate Losses Based on Building Response Using PACT – FEMA P-58**



**Damage Ratio vs. Ground Motion**



# Stringency of Seismic Design Code Is an Implicit Measure of Seismic Resistance in Vulnerability Assessment

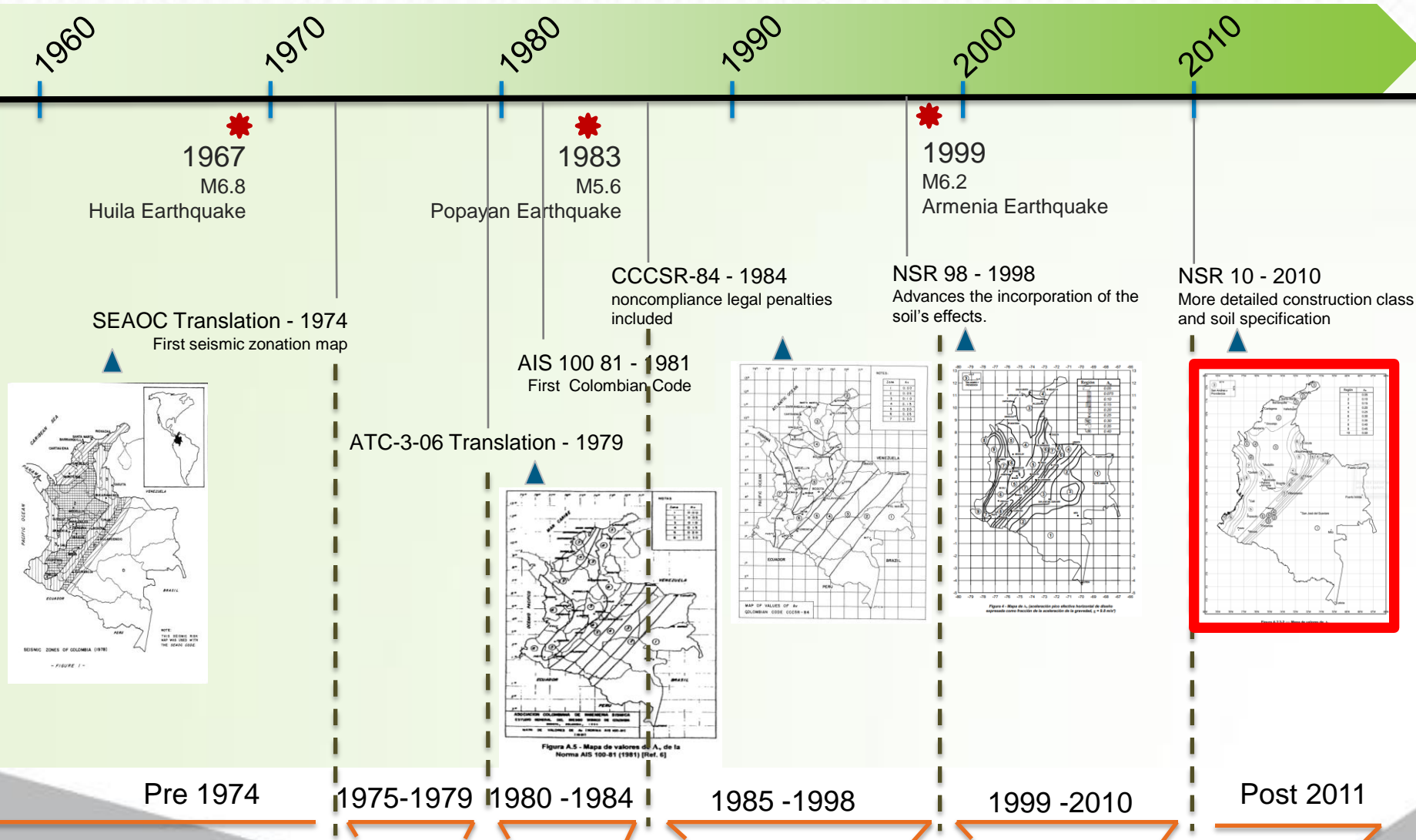
**Seismic Code Levels to Classify Vulnerability in AIR Model**

Vul. Class (code level)		Description
Pre		Without seismic consideration, mostly refers to non-engineered buildings
Low	I	With minimal seismic consideration
	II	
Moderate	I	With moderate seismic consideration
	II	
	III	
High	I	With stringent seismic consideration
	II	
	III	
Special	I	With very stringent seismic consideration
	II	
	II	
	IV	

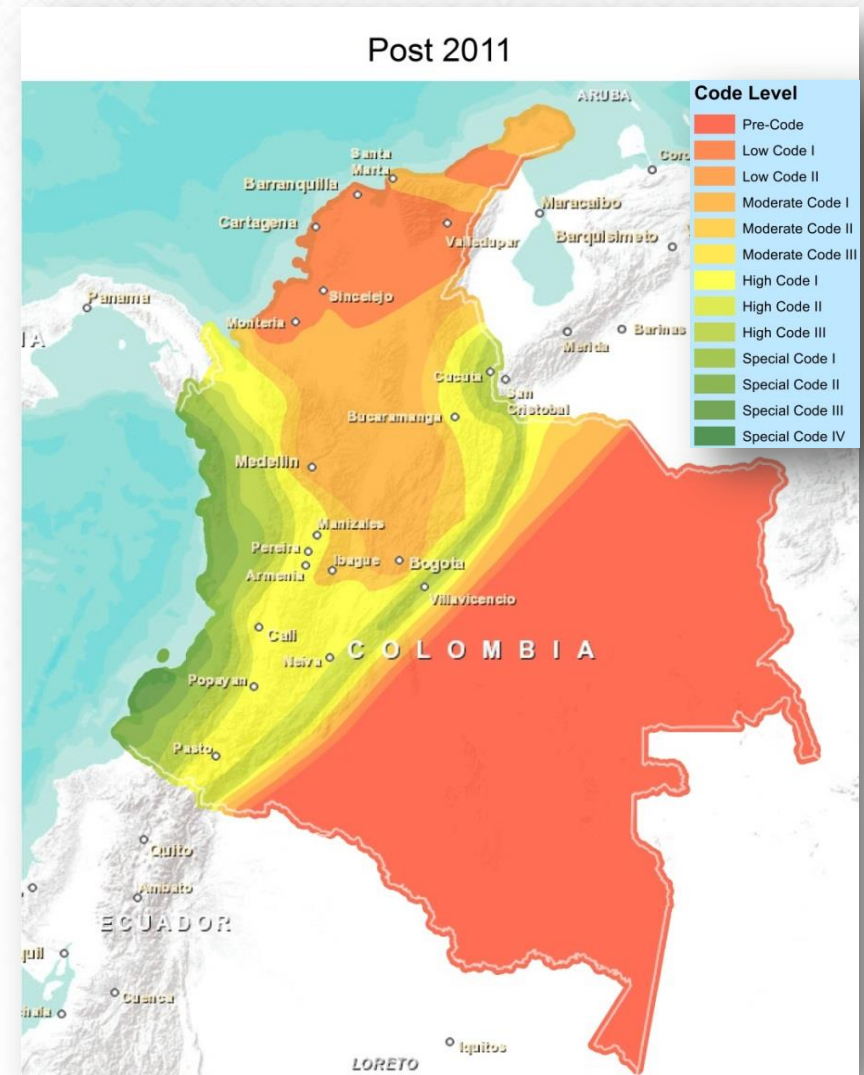
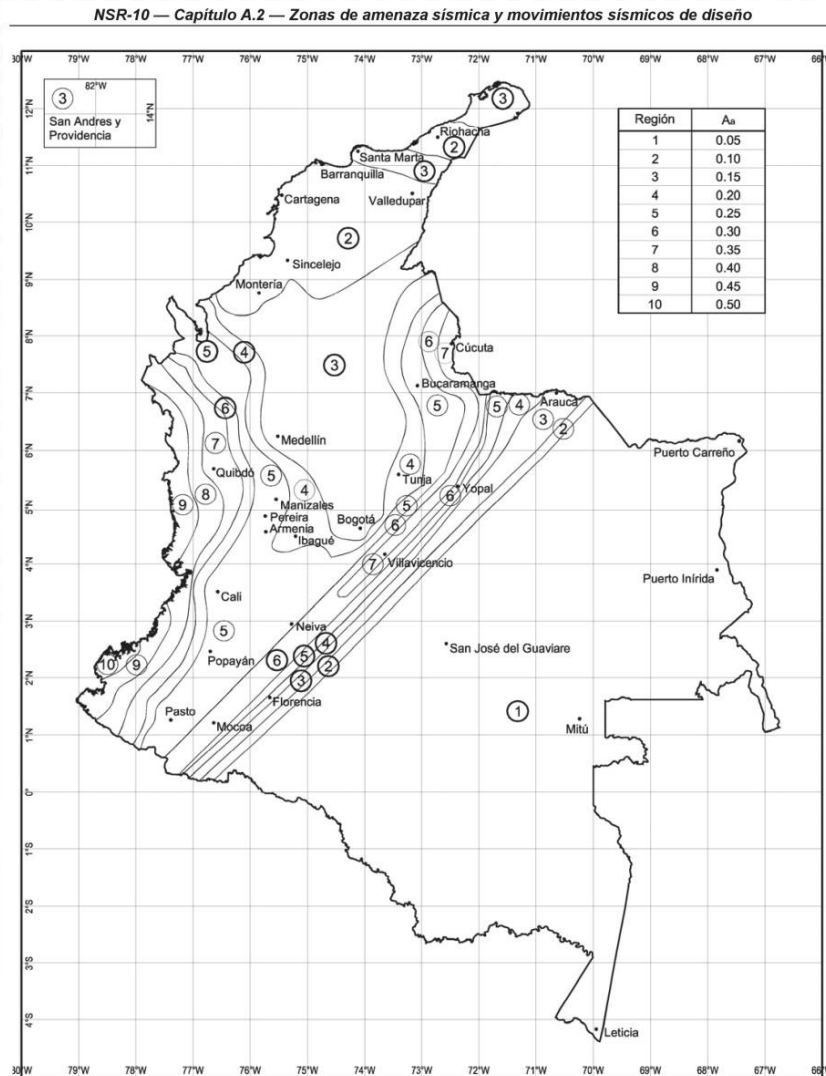


# AIR Analysis of Building Code Evolution in Colombia

## Was Reviewed by Local Experts

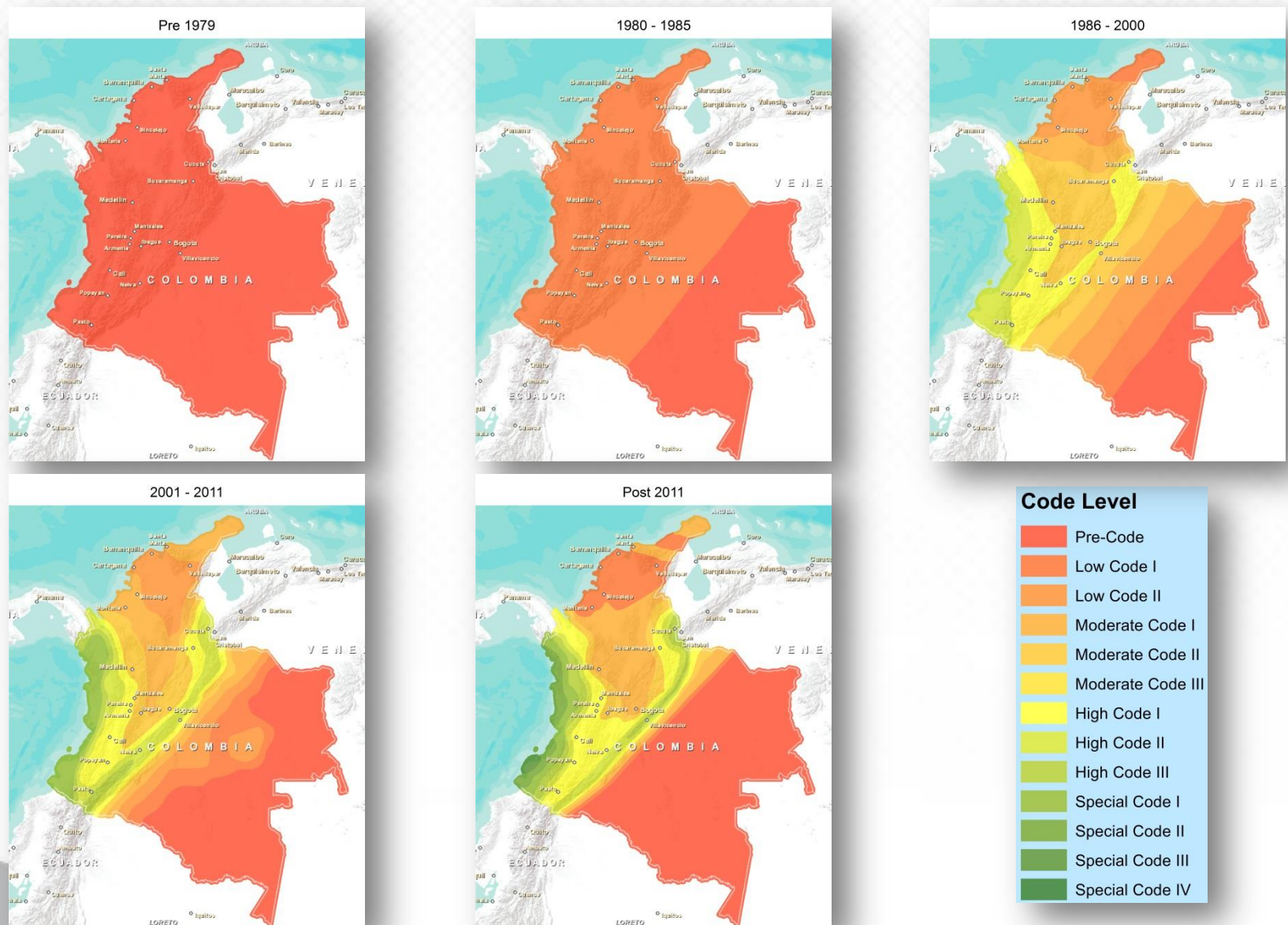


# Regional Variation in Vulnerability Is Considered Using Seismic Design Zonation





# AIR Model Captures the Temporal and Spatial Variation of Vulnerability by Incorporating the Code Evolution



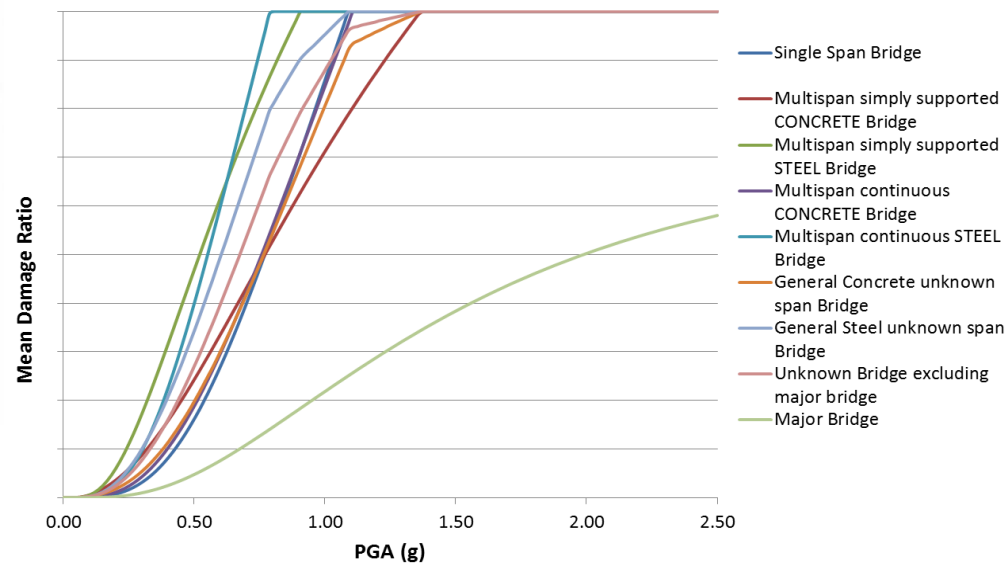


# Complex Industrial Facilities Are Modeled Using Dedicated, Component-Based Damage Functions

- Power Plants
- Water Systems
- Gas Processing Systems
- General Building/Construction Contractors
- Heavy Fabrication and Assembly
- Light Fabrication and Assembly
- Food and Drug Processing
- Chemical Processing
- Metal and Mineral Processing
- High Technology
- Mining
- Oil Refineries



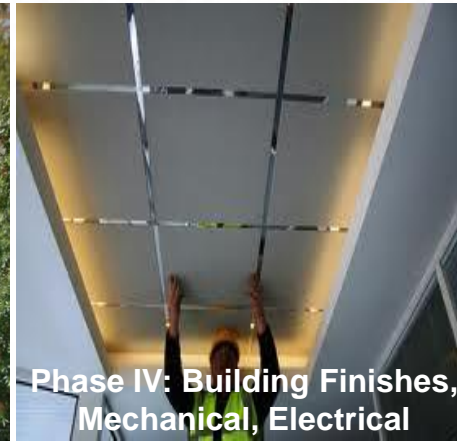
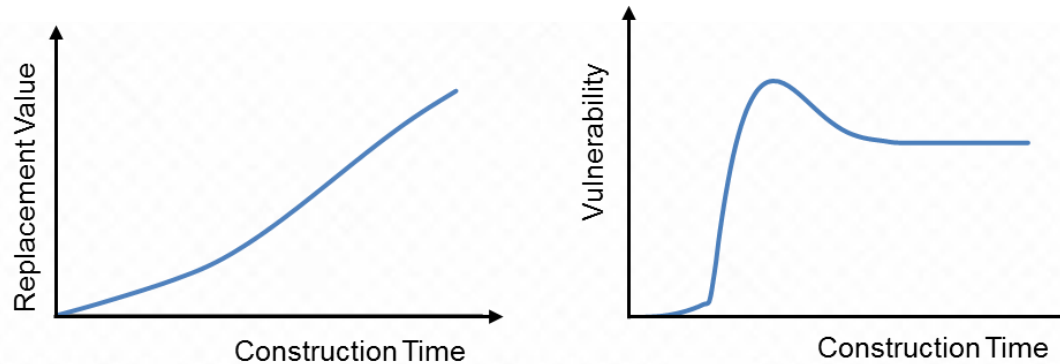
# The Updated Models Support Infrastructure Systems with an Improved Set of Vulnerability Functions





# The Updated Model Supports the Builder's Risk Line of Business

Risk for buildings under construction is characterized by time-variability of vulnerability and replacement



Construction time is broken down to four distinct phases



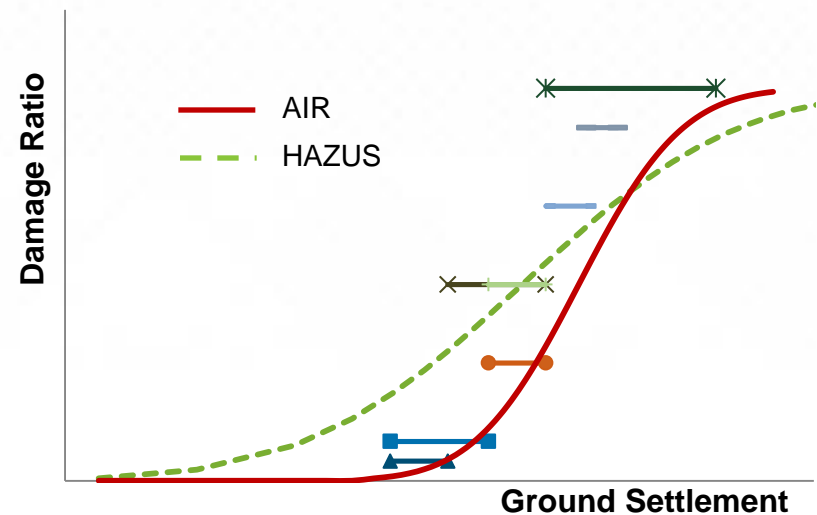
# Ground Settlement Is the Salient Parameter in Estimating Liquefaction Damage

Empirical relationships provide an estimate of ground displacement using the ground motion parameters and soil properties

Settlement



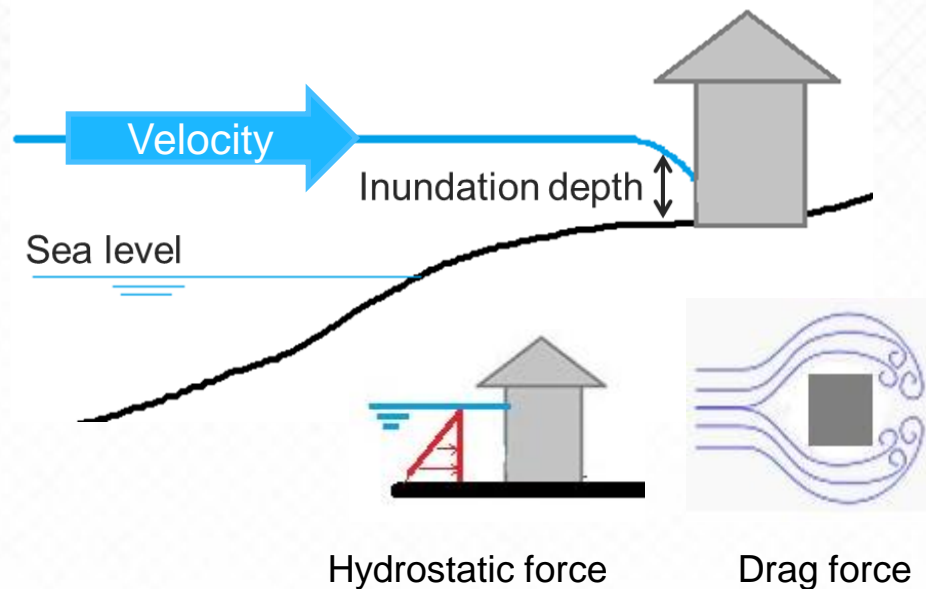
AIR damage functions are developed by leveraging existing studies and using observational data from Japan and New Zealand earthquakes



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# AIR Tsunami Vulnerability Model Accounts for Three Damage Determinants



AIR tsunami model accounts for:

- Inundation depth  $d$
  - Flow velocity  $v$
  - Debris factor
- Equivalent inundation  
 $d + v^2/2g$



San Antonio, 2010 Maule Earthquake



Port debris observed after 2010 Maule Earthquake

# Validation and Software

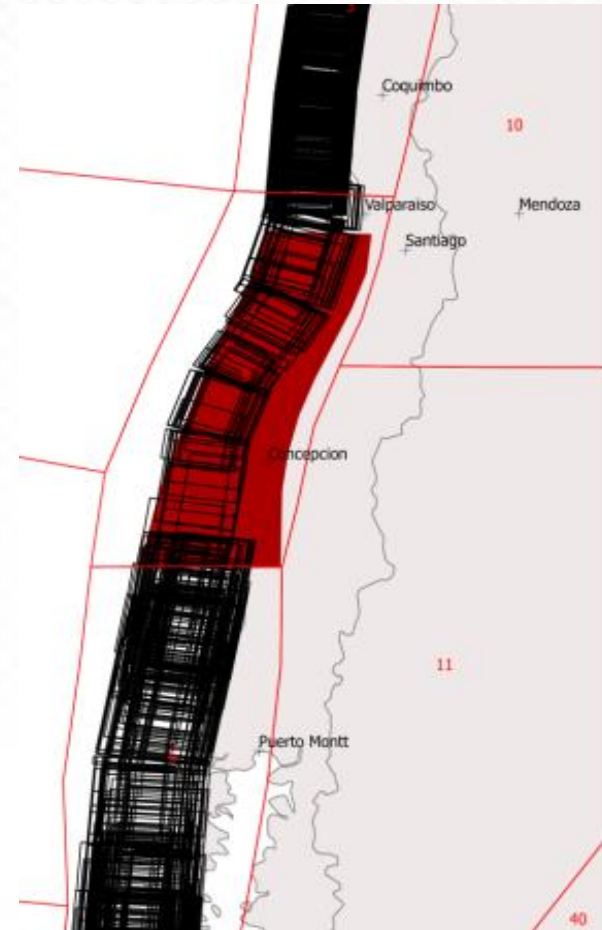
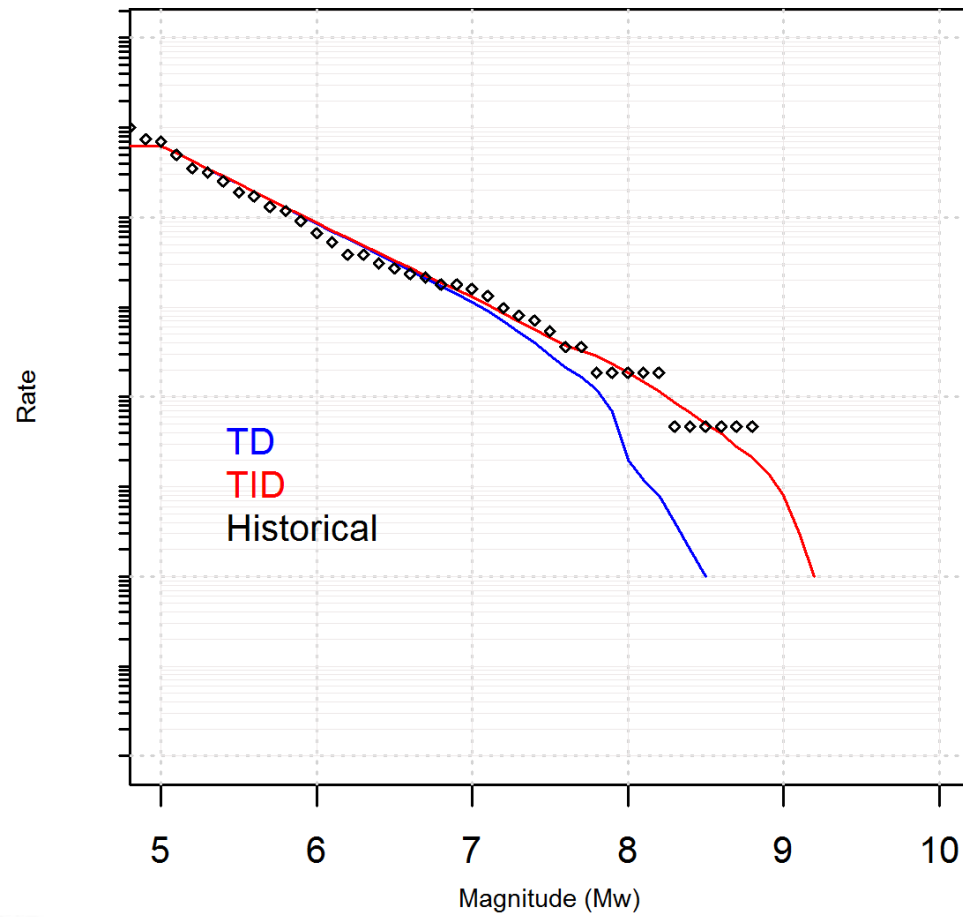


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# Time-Dependency of AIR's Catalog Should Validate With the Energy-Release Observed in Maule 2010 Event

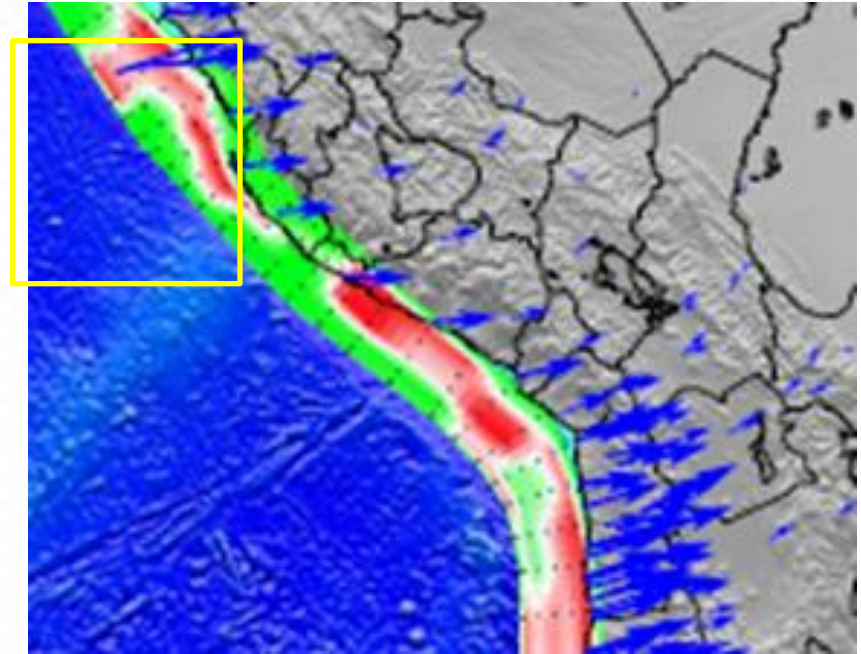
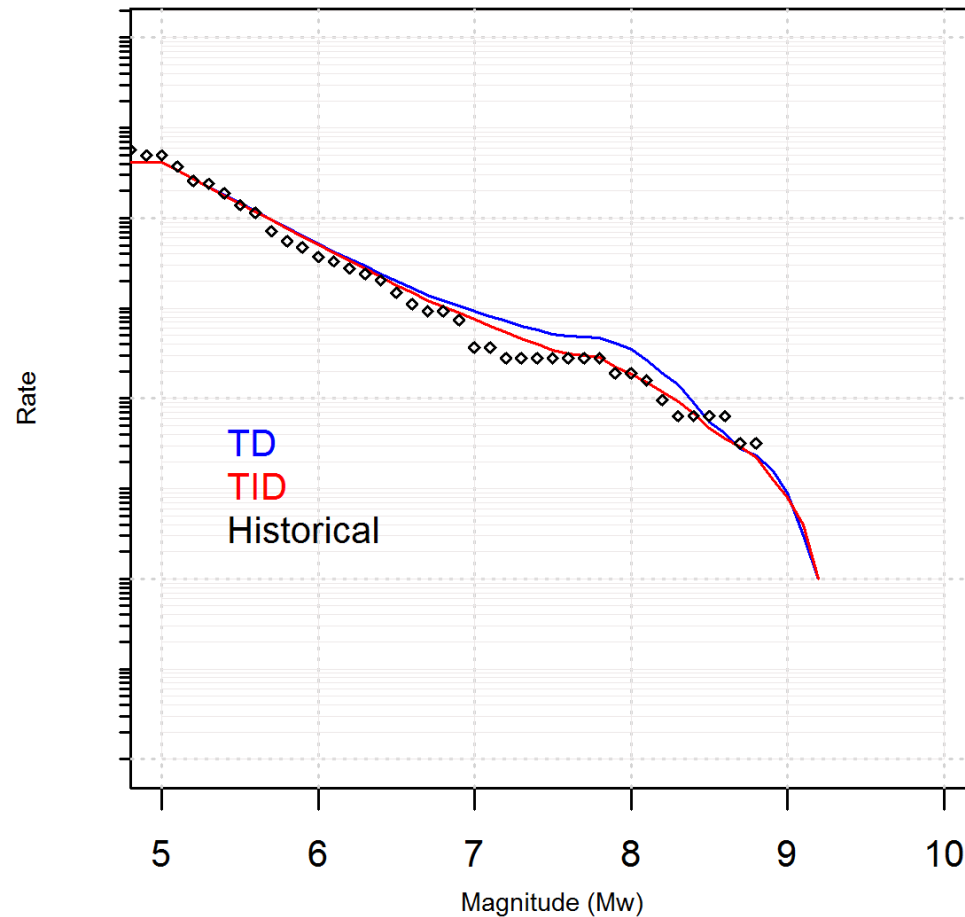
Magnitude-Frequency Plot: Region of the 2010 Maule Earthquake



TD Stochastic  $\geq M8.0$   
2010 Maule Rupture

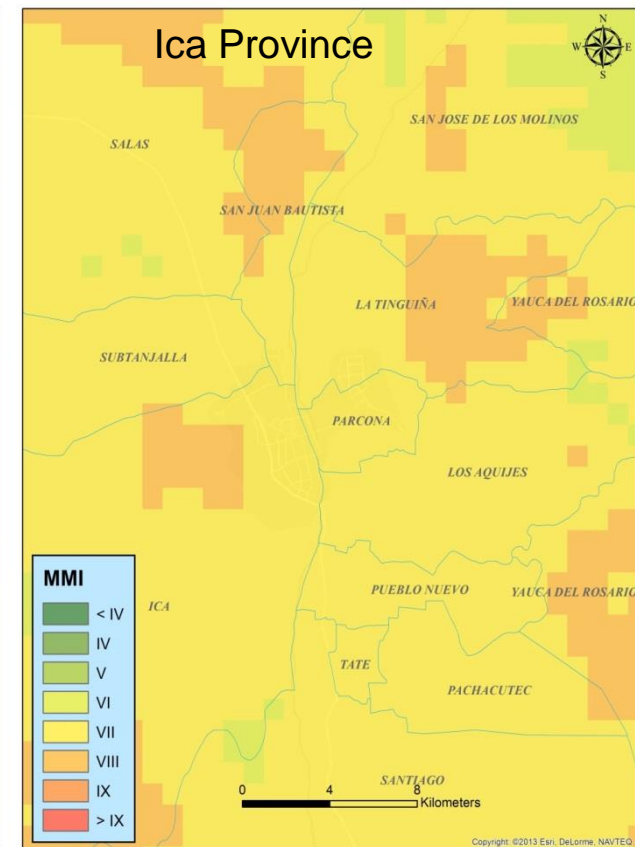
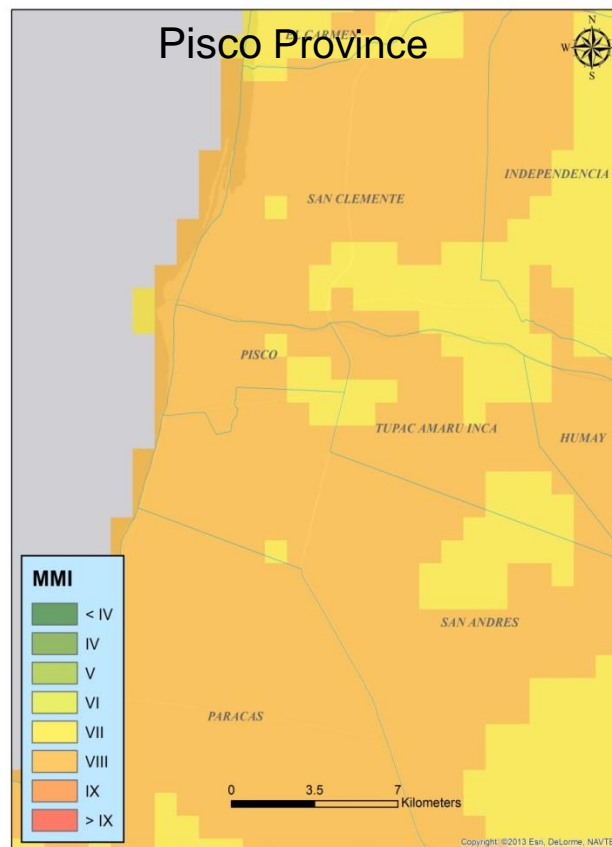
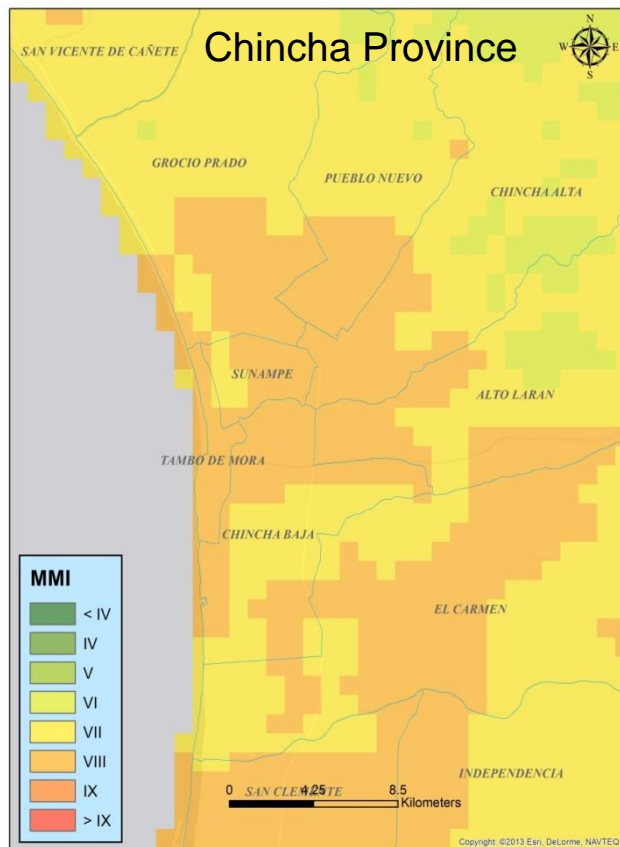
# Time-Dependency of AIR's Catalog Should Validate With the Absence of 'Great' Event in Peru Since 1746

Magnitude-Frequency Plot: Region Near Lima, Peru



*Locked (red) subduction zone  
In the region around Lima, Peru (designated  
area in yellow)*

# Modeled Ground Motion Intensities Match Observations in the Major Affected Provinces in the 2007 Pisco Event



Location	Reported MMI	Modeled MMI
Chíncha Alta	7.5	7
Tambo de Mora	7	7.5
Chíncha Baja	7.5	7.5

Location	Reported MMI	Modeled MMI
San Clemente	7.5	8
Pisco	8	8
San Andres	7.5	7.5
Paracas	7.5	7.5

Location	Reported MMI	Modeled MMI
Ica	7	7
Santiago	7	7
Tate	6.5	7

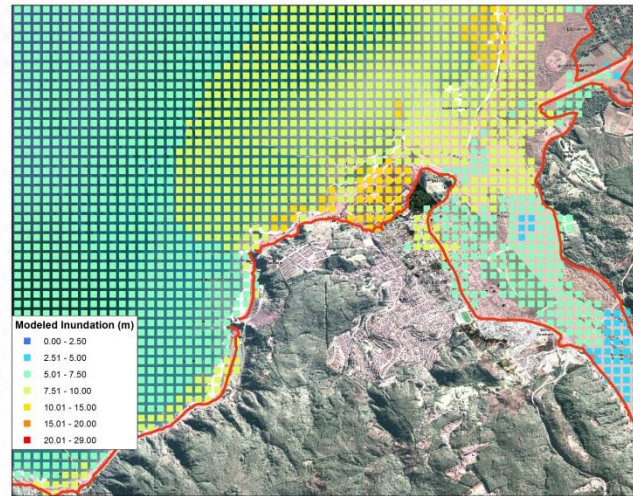


# AIR Carefully Validated Tsunami Extents and Maximum Heights Against Historic Event Data

## 2010 Maule Tsunami - City of Constitución

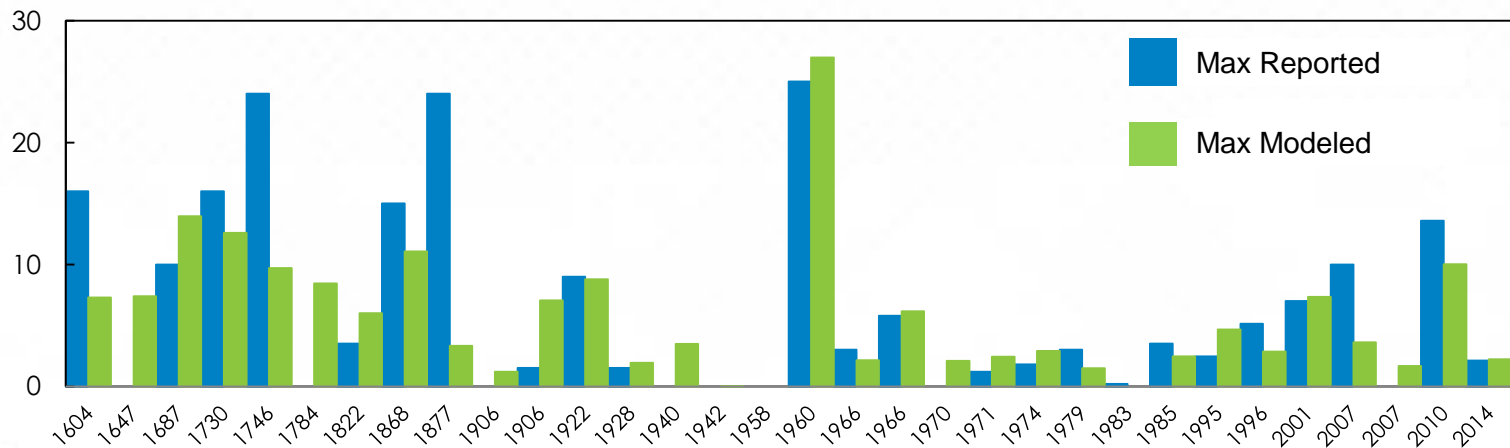
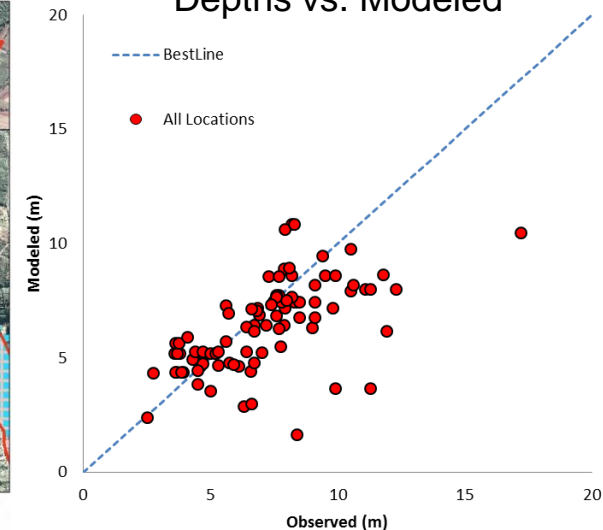


Observed Extent



AIR Model Extent

## Maule 2010 Observed Depths vs. Modeled



Max. Inundation Validation for Tsunami Historical Events

# AIR Participated in a South American Seismology Summit and Collaborated with Local Experts

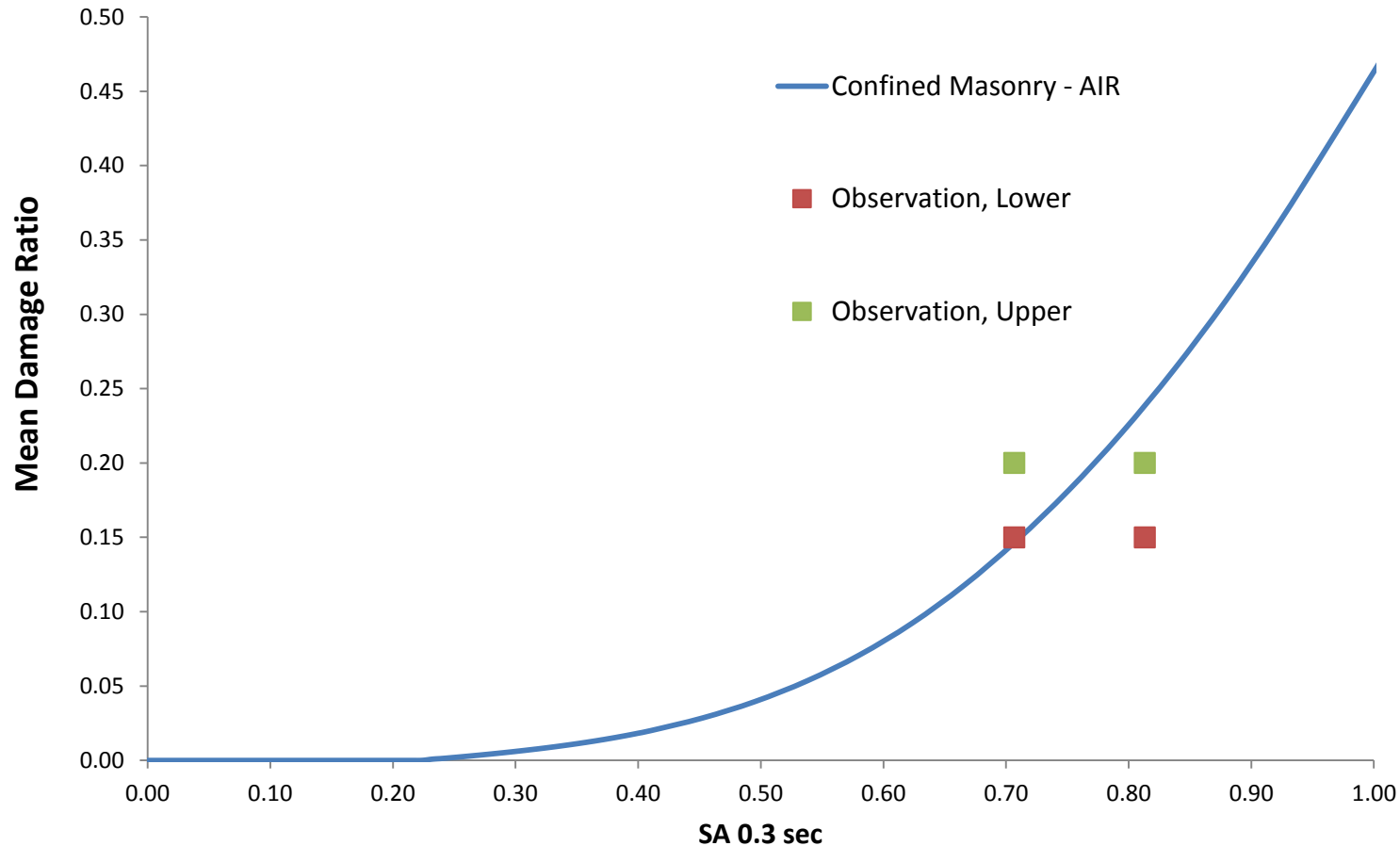


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# Vulnerability of South American Construction Revised and Validated Against Recent Event Observations and Local Studies

New Damage Functions Align Better with Recent Event-based Observations





# AIR Considers Multiple Data Sources for Validation Including Local Expertise and Global Best Practices



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# New 1Km Resolution Industry Exposure Databases Allows AIR to Better Validate Model Loss Estimates

## Exposure Data Collection

### Risk Counts

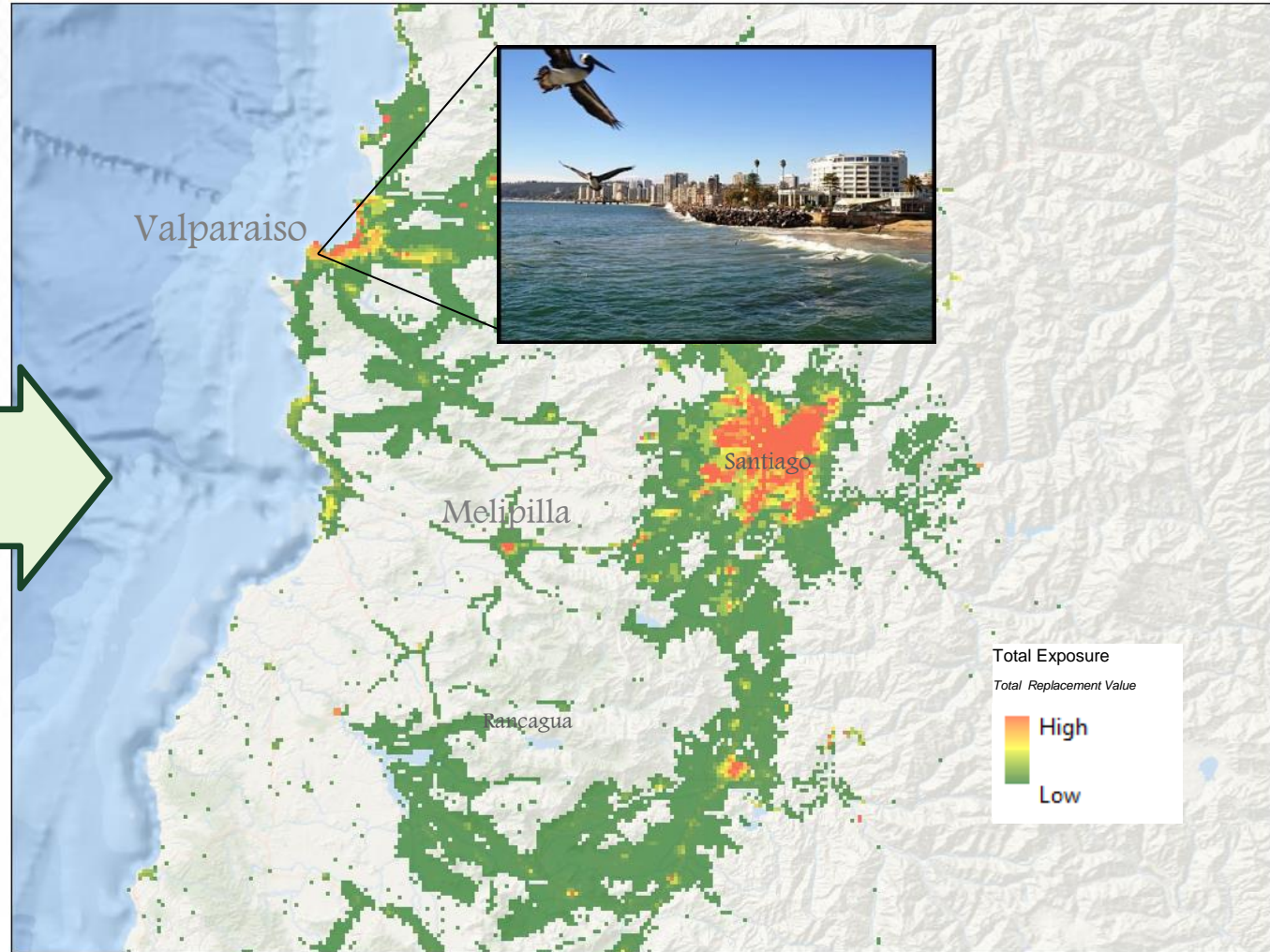
- Population & Economic Censuses
- Housing Surveys

### Risk Attributes

- Occupancy
- Construction & Height
- Floor Area

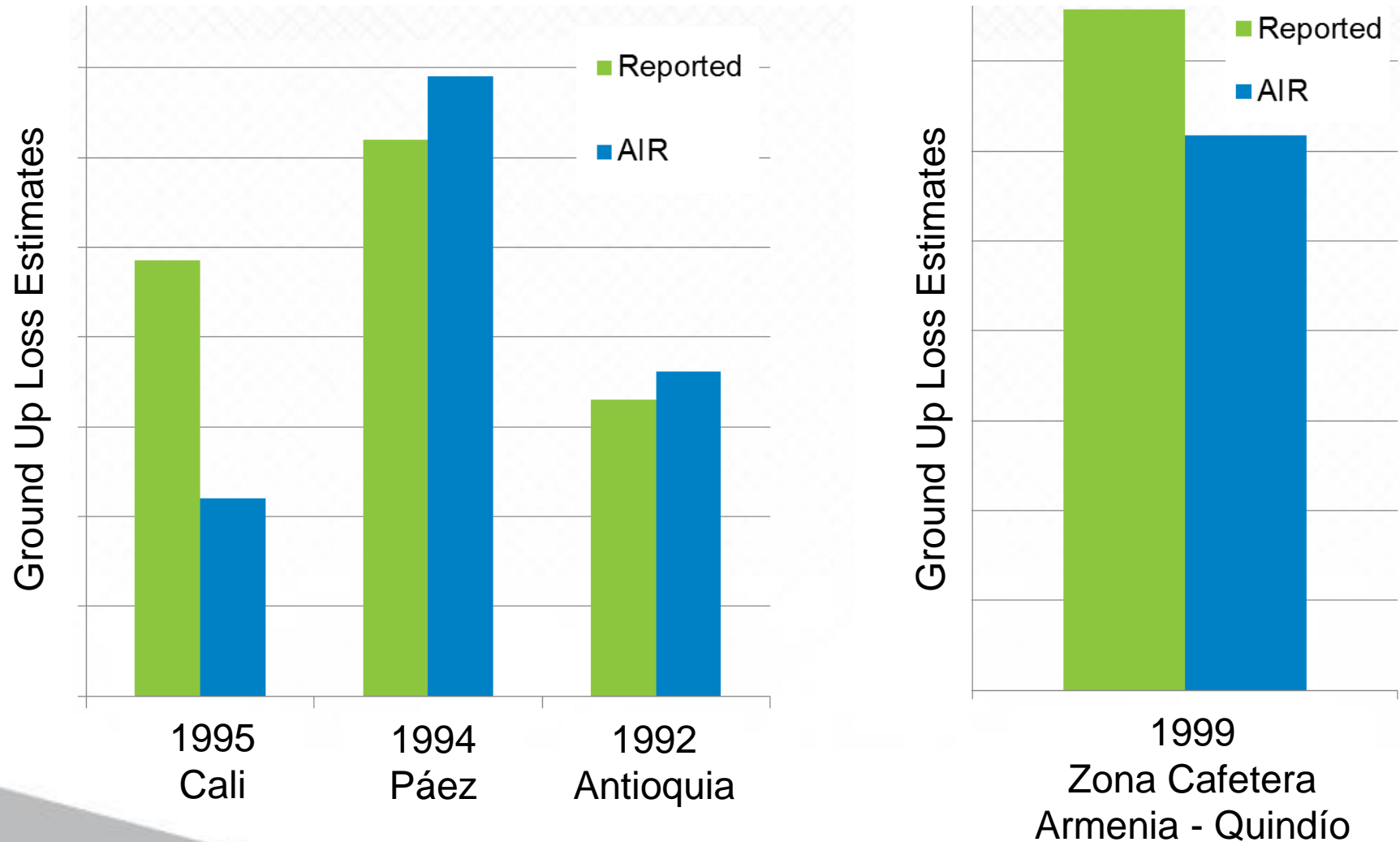
### Construction Costs

- Costing Manuals
- Construction Indexes



# Historic Event Losses for Significant Earthquake Events Provide Important Guide Points for Validation

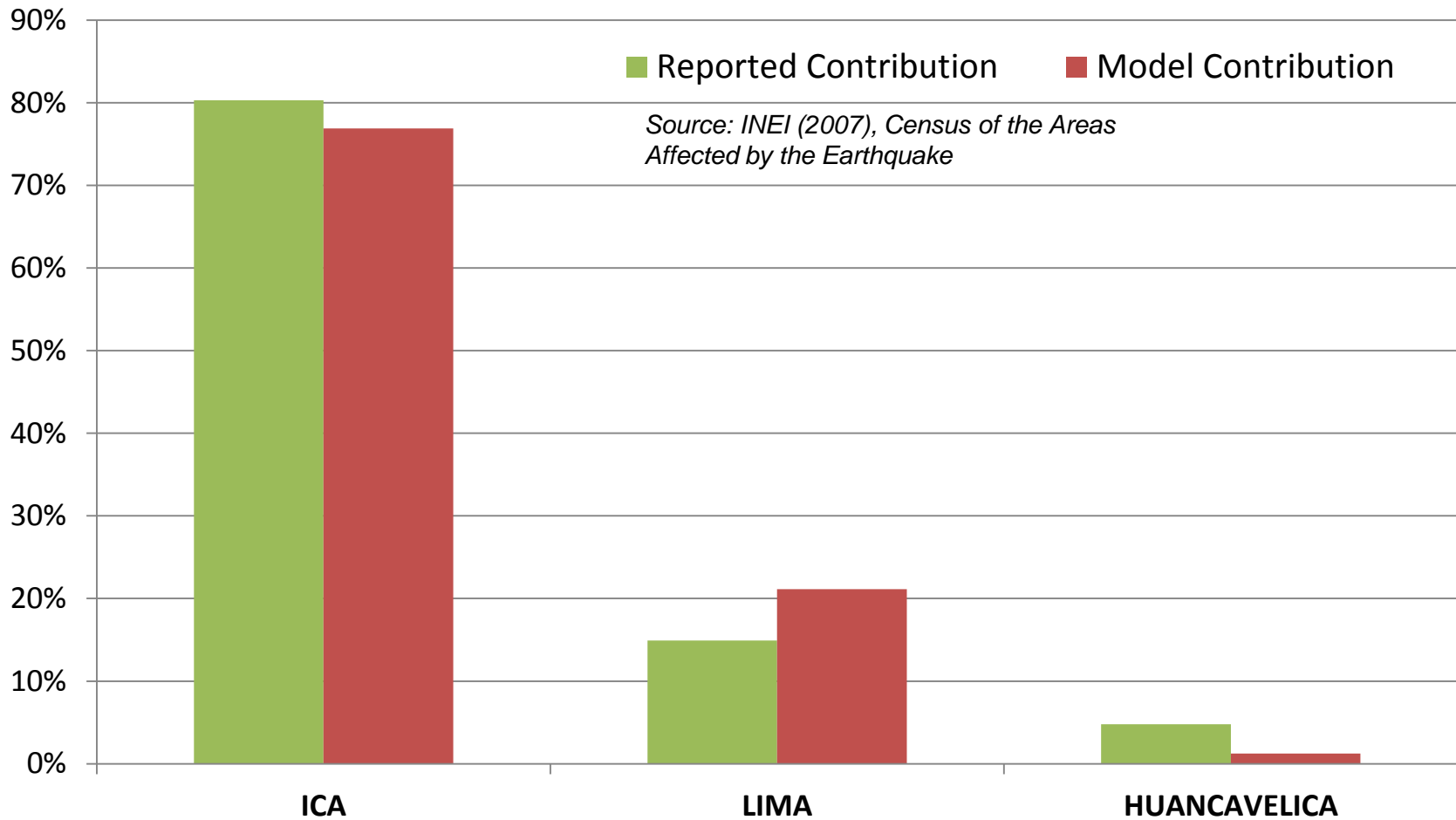
*Economic Losses for Colombian Earthquake Events 1990-Present*





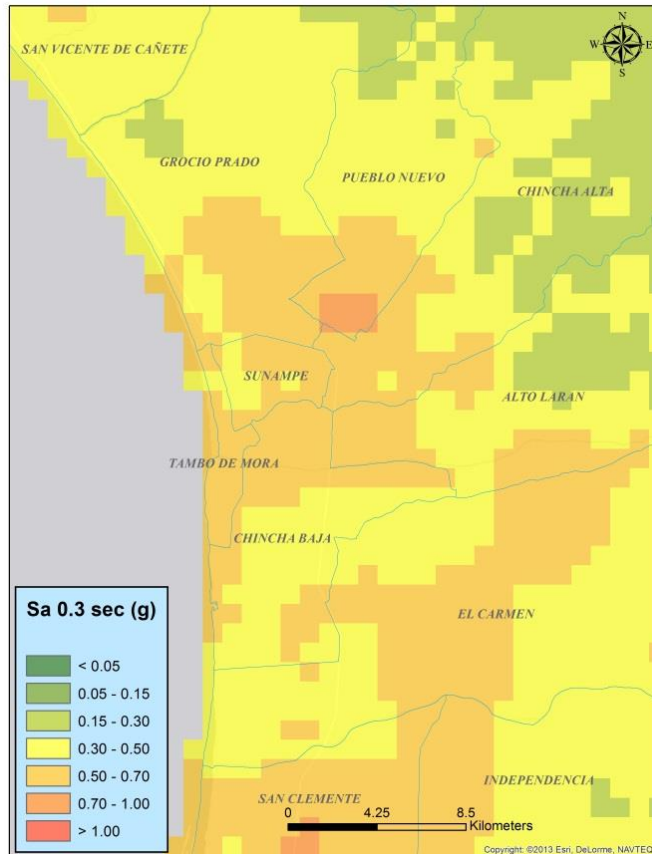
# Model's Loss Distribution by Region Matches the Regional Losses from Reports – 2007 Pischo

**Modeled and Reported Contributions to Loss at Department Level**



# Model Correctly Reproduces the Pisco Earthquake Observed Loss Ratios at the Province Level – Chincha, Peru

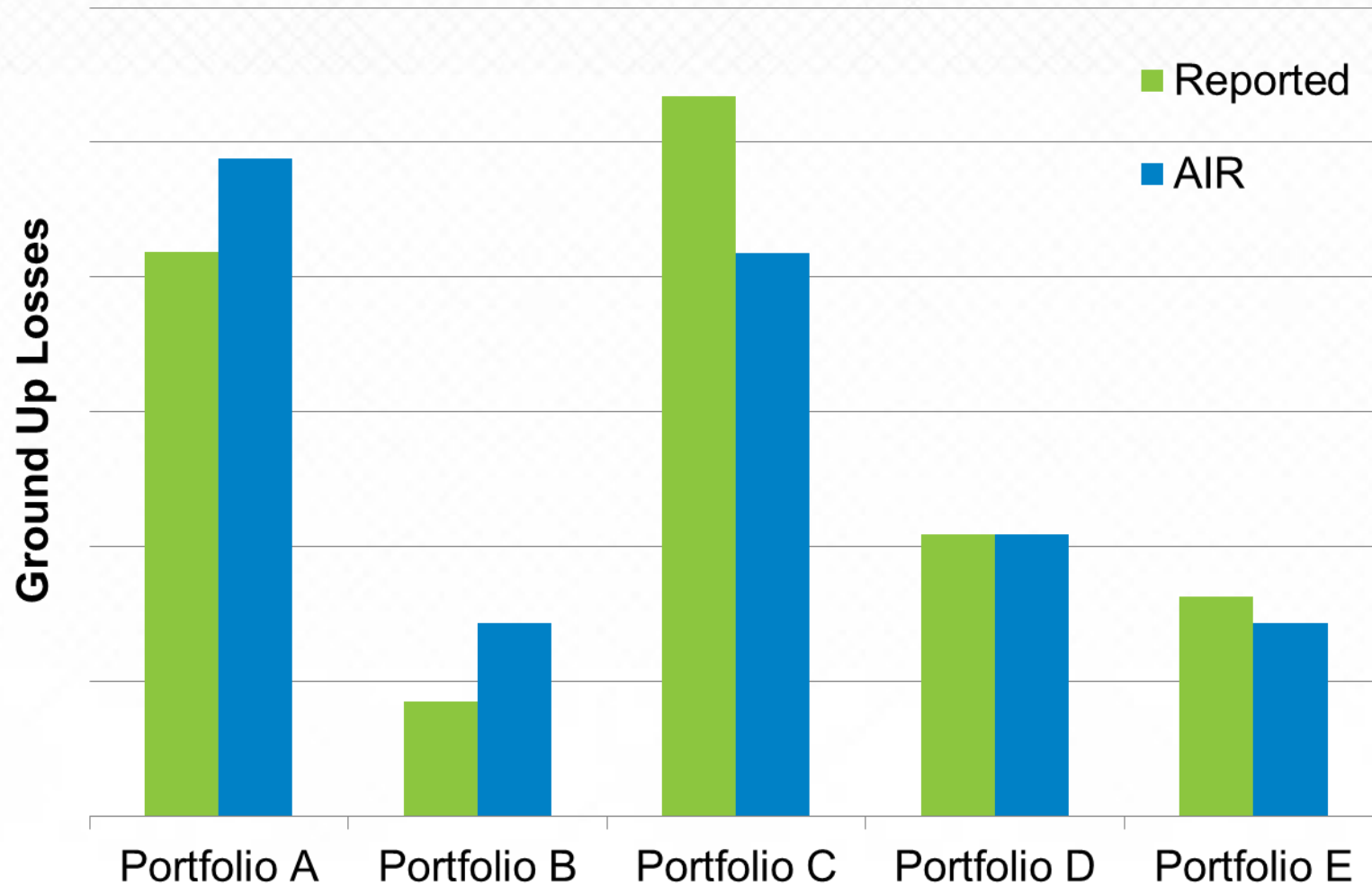
Modeled Ground Chincha Province  
Motion \*Spectral Acceleration  $S_a$  0.3 sec (g)



Modeled vs. Observed Loss Ratios Chincha Province

District	Observed Damage Lower Bound	Observed Damage Upper Bound	AIR Modeled Damage
ALTO LARAN	18%	35%	35%
CHINCHA ALTA	25%	43%	35%
CHINCHA BAJA	27%	46%	30%
EL CARMEN	20%	39%	33%
GROCIO PRADO	28%	48%	41%
PUEBLO NUEVO	29%	48%	40%
SUNAMPE	30%	50%	38%
TAMBO DE MORA	26%	45%	32%

# 2010 M8.8 Event in Concepción, Chile Provided Good Data Source of Claims Data for Validation






# Touchstone's Flexible Options Allow for Separate Evaluation of Tsunami and Shake Losses and Improved Disaggregation



## New Detailed Loss Analysis

Analysis Target: 

### Analysis Settings

#### Loss Diagnostics


**Analysis Settings**

Reinsurance

Output

Analysis Management

#### ☒ Catastrophe Peril Analysis

Event Set:  

##### Perils:

- ☒ Earthquake
- ☒ Earthquake Shake
- ☐ Fire Following
- ☐ Sprinkler Leakage
- ☒ Tsunami
- ☐ Tropical Cyclone
- ☐ Wind
- ☐ Storm Surge
- ☐ Precipitation Flood

- ☐ Severe Storm
- ☐ Severe Thunderstorm
- ☐ Winter Storm

##### Other Perils:

- ☐ Inland Flood
- ☐ Wildfire/Bushfire
- ☐ Terrorism
- ☐ Coastal Flood

Event Set Filter:   [Apply event set filter](#)

Demand Surge: ☐ With ☒ Without  [Select Custom Curve](#)

Financial Settings: Correlation:


Disaggregation:

Average Properties:

For Invalid Con/Occ Pairs:

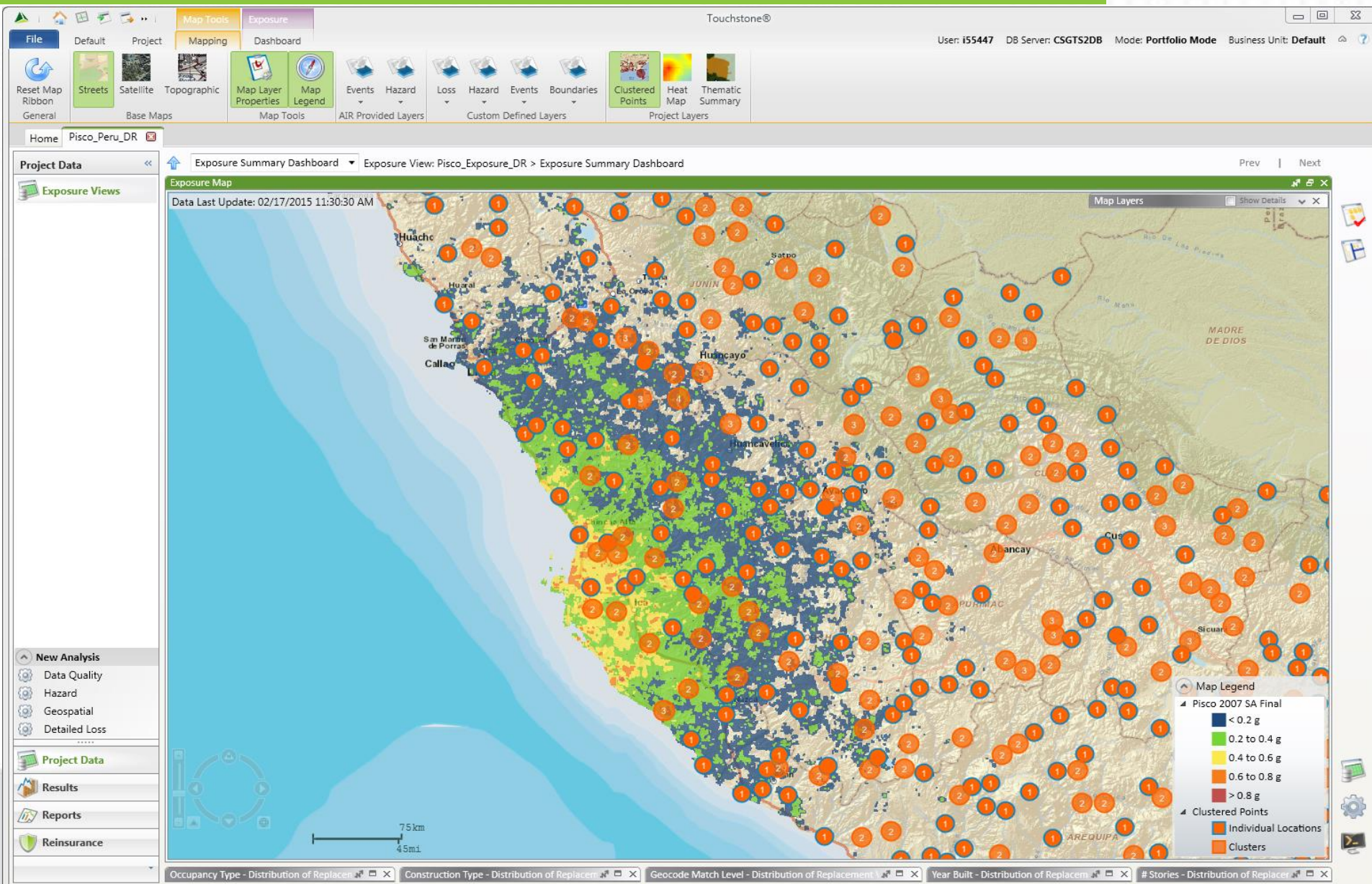
Apply location terms for residential contracts:

##### Flexibility:

Loss Modification Factor:  

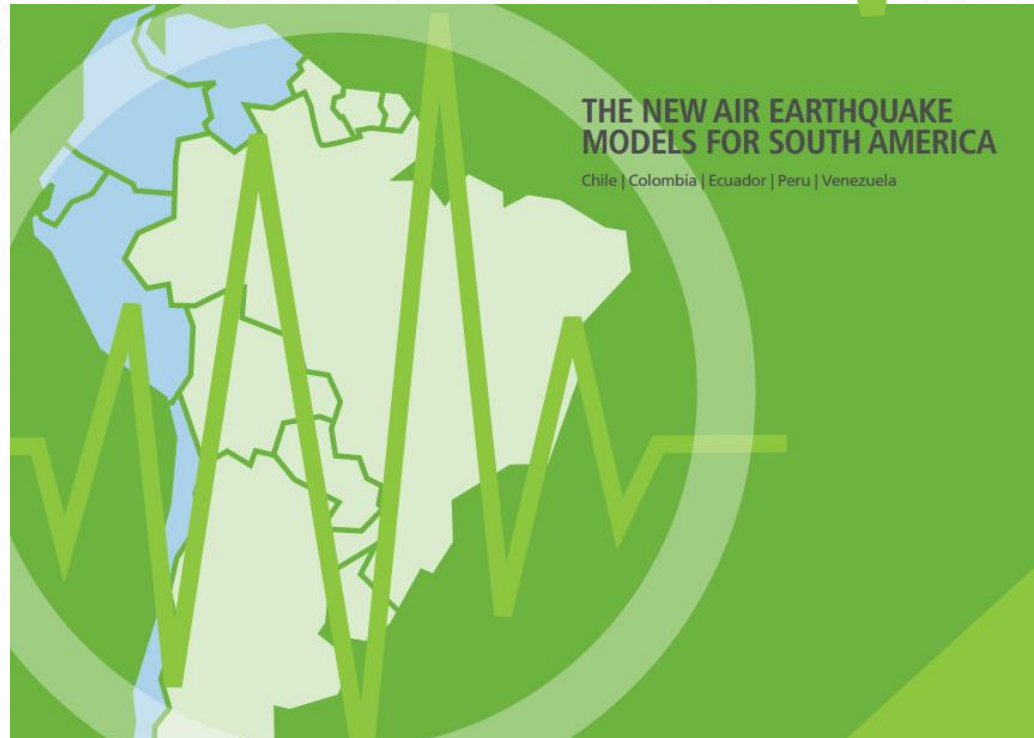
Baseline Analysis:

# AIR's Touchstone Platform Allows Analysis of Exposure Distribution and Deterministic Studies Relative to Hazard



# AIR's New South America Earthquake Models Set the Bar in Terms of Scope, Innovation, and Quality

- Tsunami modeling for the Pacific Coast subduction zone from Chile to Colombia and liquefaction
- New risk types: industrial, public infrastructure, CAR builder's risk
- Extensive validation of components, loss outputs using real loss data and with inputs from local engineers and geo-scientists in each of the modeled countries





# Additional Resources on the AIR Website



This month read about:

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## Modeling Seismic Risk in South America: Five Years After the 2010 Maule Earthquake

On the fifth anniversary of the devastating temblor, we take a look at how earthquake modeling in the region has improved.

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### Locked and Loaded: New Research Results for South America Earthquake

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Amidst the sweet serenade of Salsa and Latin folk music, attendees at this year's Latin American Seismology Congress in Bogota, Colombia were treated to a series of groundbreaking (pun intended) research results from AIR's seismic hazards team.

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