

Summary of EPRI (2013) Update to EPRI (2004, 2006) Ground Motion Characterization

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Questions from TI Team

- Summarize the existing CENA GMPEs as they have been assessed by the EPRI (2004-2006) review project, including their technical basis.
- What is the distribution of magnitude, distance, site conditions, style of faulting, period range for which the EPRI review project GMPEs are well constrained?
- How was the extrapolation beyond these well-constrained ranges defined?
- What is the range of applicability of the GMPEs (distance, region, magnitude, depth, site, etc.)?
- What are the limitations of the GMPEs?
- What was the basis for the range of GMPEs defining the epistemic uncertainty used in the EPRI review project?

EPRI (2004) SSHAC Level 3 Study (1 of 3)

- Built from consideration of available GMPEs
- Developed a weighting scheme involving two steps
 - Group models into clusters based on modeling approach – Single corner stochastic, double corner stochastic, hybrid, and finite fault simulation
 - Weigh models within clusters primarily on the fit with available data
 - Weigh clusters more on basis of “scientific principals”

EPRI (2004) SSHAC Level 3 Study (2 of 3)

- For each cluster, fit the weighted median predictions of the member GMPEs with a single form (i.e. backbone model)
- Develop epistemic models for each cluster
 - Combined model to model variability with estimates of additional uncertainty to compute $\sigma_{\mu}(M,R,F)$
 - Represent uncertainty at 5th and 95th percentiles, $\pm 1.65\sigma_{\mu}(M,R,F)$. Fit common form to obtain the 5th and 95th percentile GMPEs for each cluster

EPRI (2004) SSHAC Level 3 Study (3 of 3)

- Aleatory model was built from the range of aleatory models for CEUS associated with the sample of GMPEs
- EPRI (2006) was a SSHAC Level 2 study use to evaluate the EPRI (2004) aleatory variability models
 - Concluded that no compelling reason for their to be a major difference from empirical aleatory variability observed for active tectonic regions
 - Developed aleatory model making minor adjustments to preliminary aleatory variability from NGA

EPRI 2004/2006 Review Project (EPRI, 2013)

- Significant time had passed since the development of the GMPEs used by EPRI (2004)
 - Many models used by EPRI (2004) had been updated/ replaced by newer models and/or were no longer supported by their developers
 - More empirical CENA data were available
- Need to consider this newer information in developing responses to NRC requests in the short term (before completion of NGA East)

EPRI 2004/2006 Review Project

- SSHAC Level 2 Project with workshops and a PPRP
 - TI Team (Gabriel Toro (lead), Martin Chapman, and Bob Youngs) with active participation by a large PPRP
- Project followed the evaluation framework of EPRI (2004, 2006)
 - Use available GMPEs
 - Group GMPEs into clusters, use empirical data to weight models within clusters, represent each cluster weighted median and epistemic uncertainty by fitted GMPE
 - Use finalized aleatory from NGA and initial values from NGA-West 2

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Updating of EPRI (2004) Clusters

Cluster	Model Type	Models
1	Single Corner Stochastic (0.275/0.351)	Hwang and Huo (1997) Silva et al (2002) - SC-CS Silva et al (2002) - SC-CS-Sat Silva et al (2002) - SC-VS Toro et al (1997) Frankel et al (1996)
2	Double Corner Stochastic (0.312/0.399)	Atkinson and Boore (1995) Silva et al (2002) DC Silva et al (2002) DC - Sat
3	Hybrid (0.196/0.250)	Abrahamson & Silva (2002) Atkinson (2001) & Sadigh et al (1997) Campbell (2003)
4	Finite Source /Greens Function (0.217/0.000)	Somerville et al. (2001)

← AB06' ?

← PZT11 ?

← A08' ?

New GMPEs

- Atkinson (2008 with 2011 revisions: A08')
 - Referenced Empirical – fit adjustment factors to misfit of CEUS data by WUS GMPE (empirical adjustment rather than developing WUS→CENA scaling based on modeling)
- Atkinson-Boore (2006 with 2011 revisions: AB06')
 - Based on stochastic finite fault simulations rather than point source double corner simulations
 - Treated as a replacement of Atkinson and Boore (1995)

New GMPEs

- Pezeshk et al. (2011)
 - Hybrid ground motion model build on NGA (West1)
 - Considered a replacement of Campbell (2003) and Tavakoli and Pezeshk (2005) used better set of WUS GMPEs
- Silva et al. (2003)
 - Minor updates to Silva et al. (2002)
 - Based on point source (1 and 2 corner) stochastic simulations

Re-Definition of Clusters 2 and 3

- EPRI-04 clusters 2 and 3 were based on approach (2-corner stochastic vs. hybrid), but some new models did not fit very well (i.e., AB06' spectrum does not have 2 specific corners; A08' perhaps is not a hybrid model in the traditional sense)
- **Practical Motivation:** very large within-cluster differences at ~50-100 km
 - due to different geometric spreading
 - difficult in generating high and low GMPEs ($\pm 1.64 \sigma_{\text{epistemic}}$) for clusters

New GMPE Clusters

Cluster	Model Type	Models
1	Single Corner Brune Source	Silva et al (2002) - SC-CS-Sat* Silva et al (2002) - SC-VS* Toro et al (1997) Frankel et al (1996) * Treated as one model for calculation of weights
2	Complex/Empirical Source $\sim R^{-1}$ Geometrical spreading < 70 km	Silva et al (2002) DC – Sat A08'
3	Complex/Empirical Source $\sim R^{-1.3}$ Geometrical spreading < 70 km	AB06' PZT11
4	Finite Source /Green's Function	Somerville et al. (2001); slightly different models for rifted and non-rifted

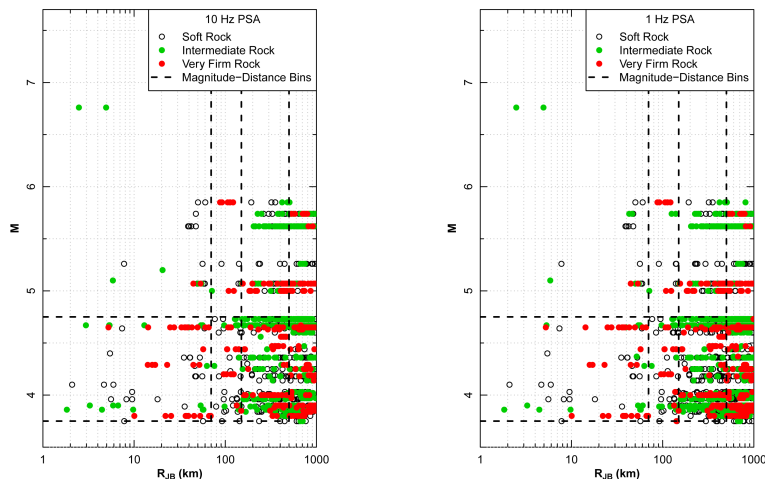
How Well are GMPEs Constrained?

- Simulation based models are constrained by simulations and their calibration against empirical data – principally from active regions
- Hybrid models build on *well* constrained empirical models and assumption of correct modeling of WUS→CENA differences
- Referenced empirical based on *well* constrained empirical model and fit to empirical CENA data generally not in the range of primary interest

Empirical Data Used for Weighting

- Used Initial NGA East database (August 2012)
- Classified sites based on geology and measured/inferred V_{s30}
 - Soft rock (younger rocks and/or $500 \leq V_{s30} < 1000$ m/s)
 - Intermediate rock (older rocks and/or $1000 \leq V_{s30} < 1890$ m/s)
 - $V_{s30} \geq 1980$ m/s
- V_s measurements at a number of important recording sites

Empirical Data Used for Intra-cluster Weighting



Adjustment of Data to Reference Site Conditions

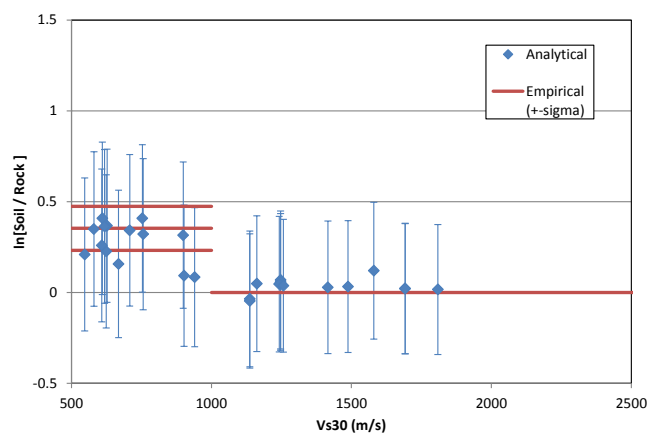
- Step not performed in EPRI (2004)
- Analytical adjustment for sites with velocity profiles
 - Quarter wavelength approach combined with delta kappa adjustment
 - Incorporated uncertainty in V_s and κ
- Empirical adjustment
 - Calculated adjustment terms for gross site classes
 - Could only distinguish statistically between soft rock and a combined intermediate-hard rock groupings

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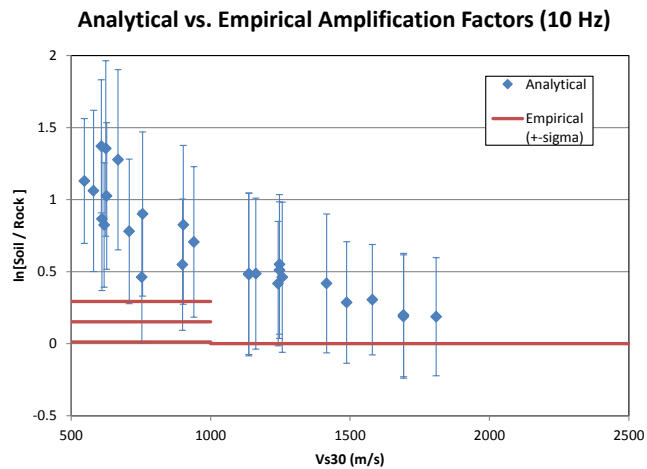
Analytical vs. Empirical Amplification Factors (1 Hz)



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Within Cluster Weights

Account for:

- Inter-event correlation
- Uncertainty in the soil correction (correlated)
- Weights that depend on magnitude and distance, to account for the engineering importance and diagnostic power of data in the various M-R ranges.
- Sensitivity to sample size

Approach for Within-Cluster Weights

- Based on approach developed by Scherbaum and co-workers, but includes correlations and weights
- Use covariance matrix takes into account correlation (similar to random-effects formulation)

$$w_i = \frac{L(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i)}{\sum_j L(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_j)} \quad L(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i\right)$$

- More flexible and less ad-hoc than EPRI (2004) approach, but similar in spirit

Building the Covariance Matrix

$$\text{Cov}[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{ijk}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{ij'k'}] = \tau^2 \delta_{jj'} + \phi^2 \delta_{jj'} \delta_{kk'} + \sigma_{C,jk} \sigma_{C,j'k'} \delta_{kk'}$$

- First term: τ^2 if both residuals are associated with the same earthquake and zero otherwise
- Second term: ϕ^2 between a residual and itself (same earthquake, same station)
- Third term: $\sigma_{C,jk} \sigma_{C,j'k'}$ if both residuals are associated with recordings at the same station and zero otherwise (site correction uncertainty).

Note: tau and phi taken from aleatory variability model described later

Importance Factors (Weights) for Magnitude-Distance Bins

	M 3.75 to 4.75*	M 4.75 and greater
Rjb 0 to 70 km	1/ 4 (1/4)	1 (1)
Rjb 70 to 150 km	1/12 (1/4)	1/3 (1)
Rjb 150 to 500 km	1/24 (1/4)	1/6 (1)

Importance Factor for High Frequencies

Importance Factor for Low Frequencies

* Using 0 weight for M 3.75 to 4.75 causes small changes in results

Within Cluster Epistemic Uncertainty

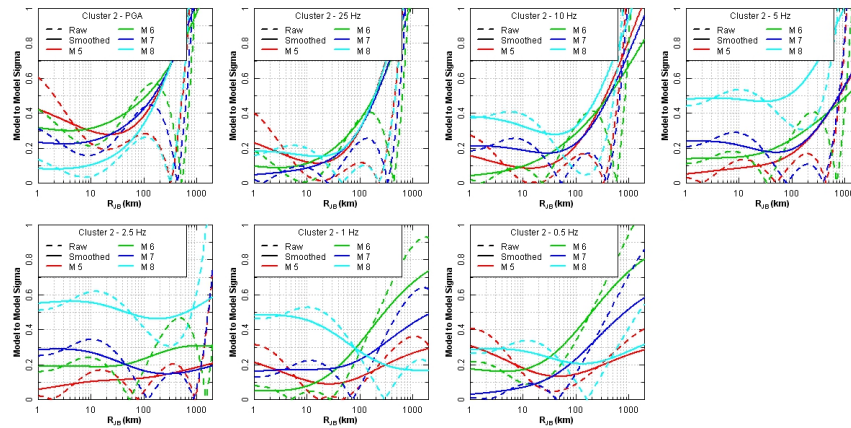
- Use envelope of cluster model-to-model uncertainty and cluster independent data/modeling uncertainty variances

$$\sigma(m, r, f)_{\text{cluster median}} =$$

$$\max \left\{ \sigma(m, r, f)_{\text{cluster model-to-model}}, \sigma(m, r, f)_{\text{cluster independent data/modeling uncertainty}} \right\}$$

- These are considered to be different manifestations of the same underlying uncertainty

Cluster 2 Model-to-Model

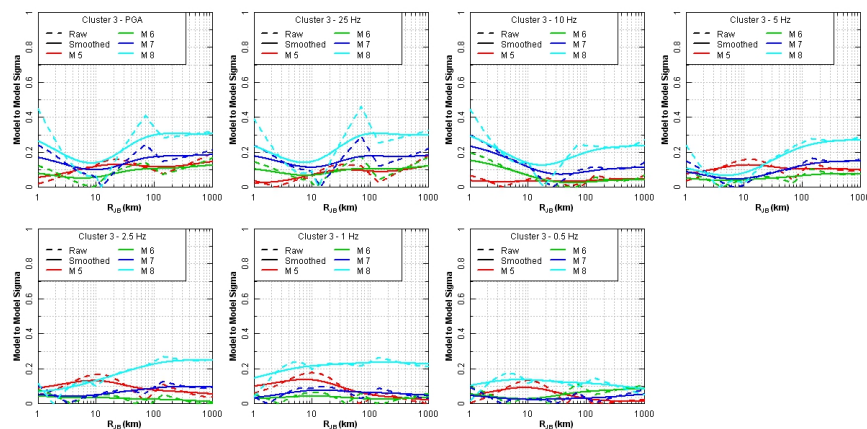


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Cluster 3 Model-to-Model



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Cluster Independent Within Cluster Epistemic Uncertainty

- NGA East strong motion database provides data-based constraint on median estimates for $M \sim 5$
- Incorporate uncertainty in magnitude scaling to provide estimate of epistemic uncertainty at larger magnitudes

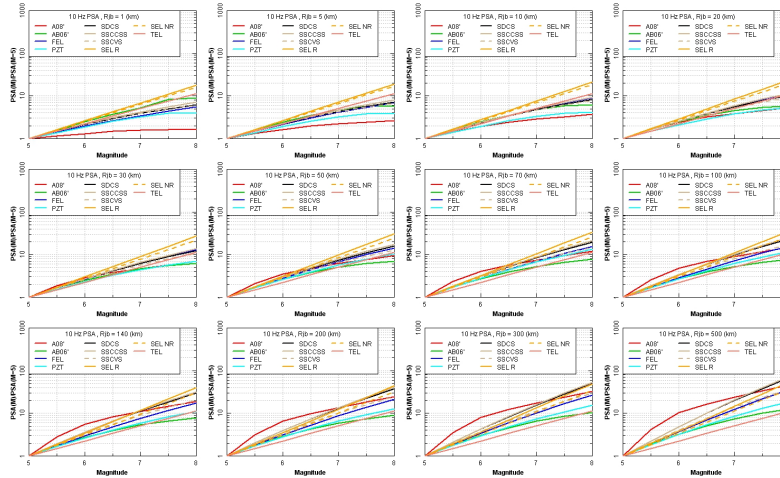
$$\sigma_{\text{cluster independent data/modeling}} = \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{data-based at } M=5}^2 + \sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}^2}$$

Incorporation of Variability in Magnitude Scaling

- Compute $PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)$ for all candidate models and $\sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}^{\text{total}}$
- Compute $PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)$ for cluster median models and $\sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}^{\text{cluster-to-cluster}}$
- Within cluster uncertainty in magnitude scaling

$$\sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}^{\text{within cluster}} \approx \sqrt{\sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}^{\text{total}^2} - \sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}^{\text{cluster-to-cluster}^2}}$$

Magnitude Scaling for 10 Hz

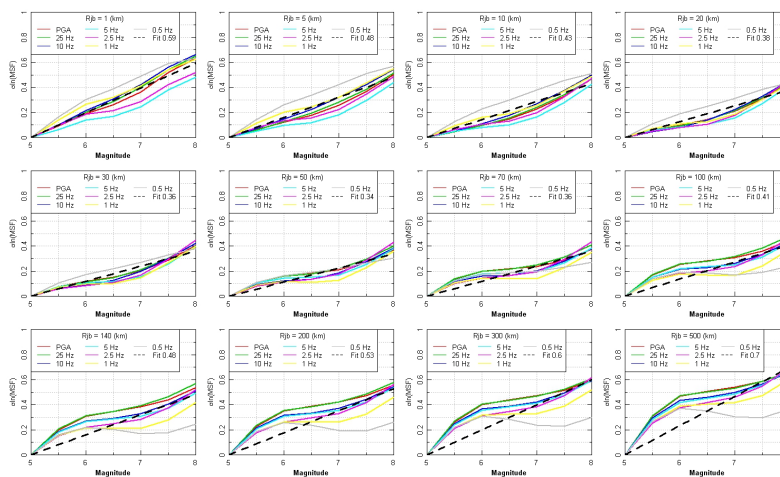


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$$\sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}^{\text{total}}$$

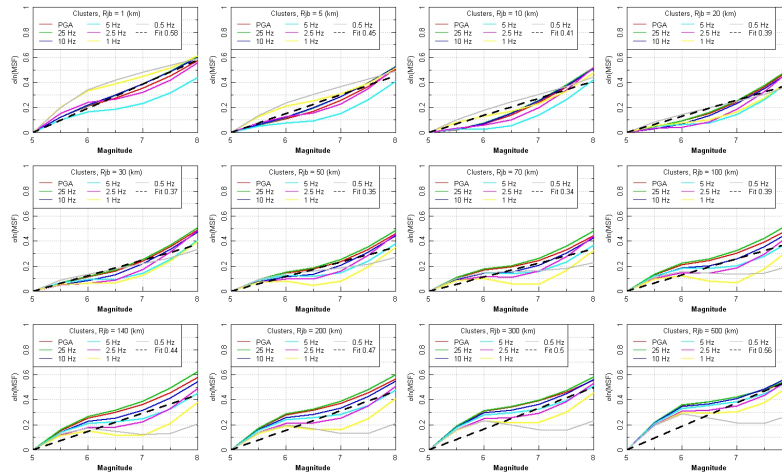


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$$\sigma_{\ln[PSA(M)/PSA(M=5)]}$$ cluster-to-cluster

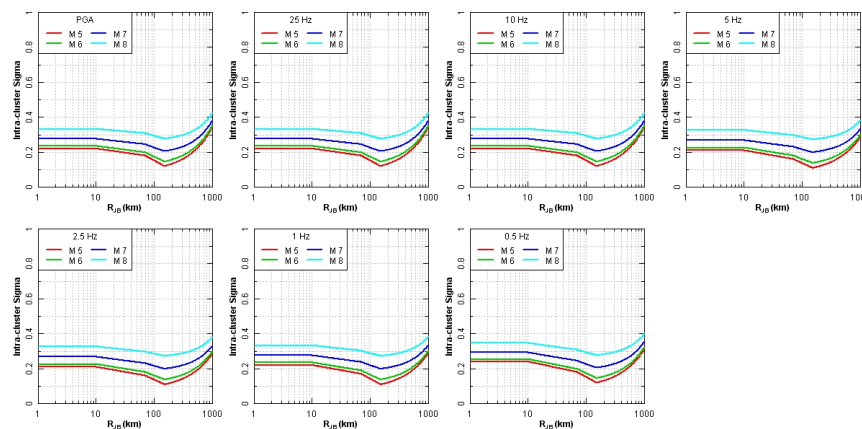


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Cluster-independent Intra-cluster Epistemic Uncertainty



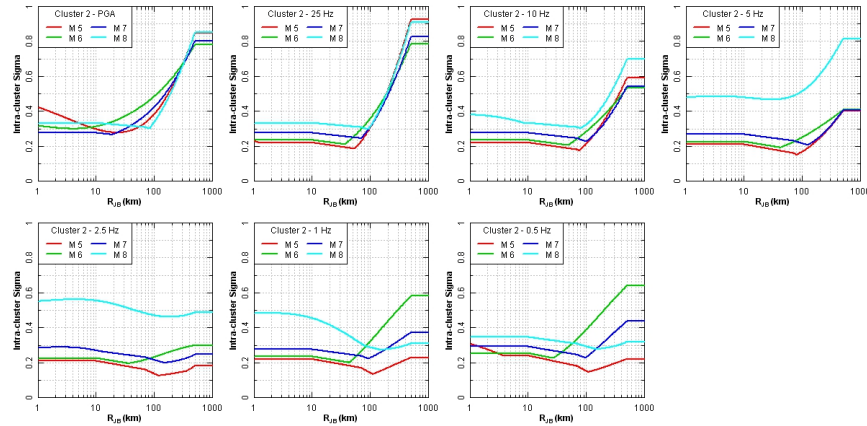
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Cluster 2 Envelope Intra-cluster

(Capped at 500 km to prevent unrealistic values for 95th%)

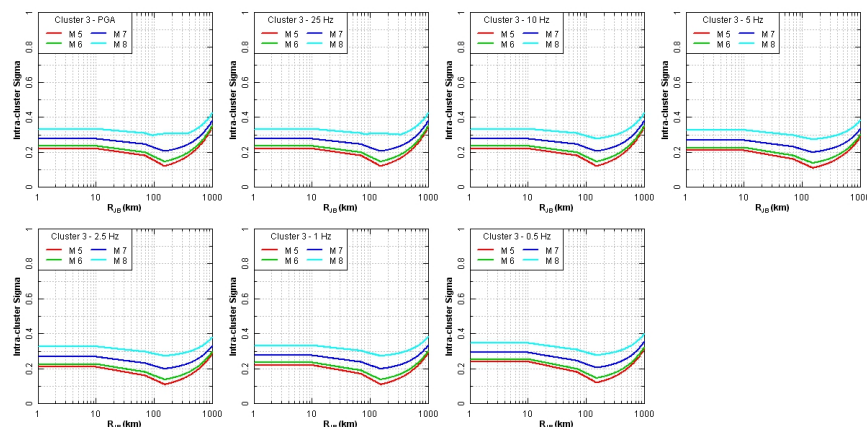


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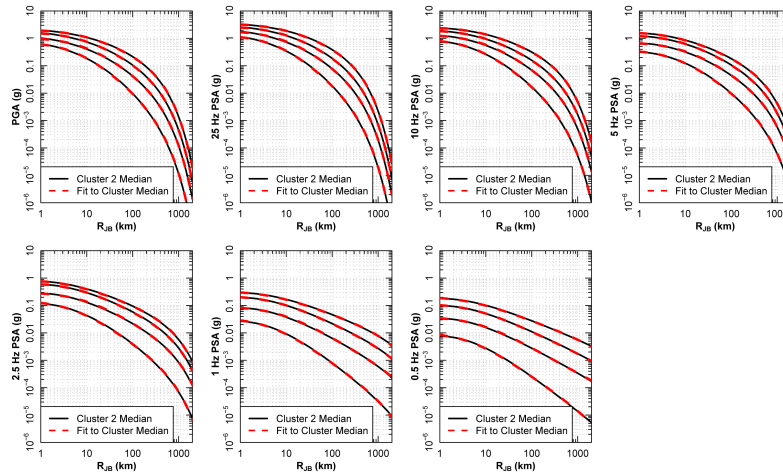


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Fitting of Medians

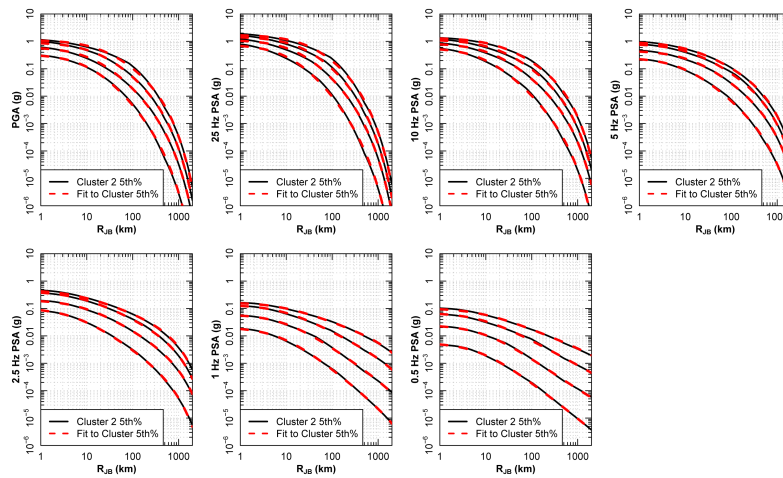


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Fitting 5th % Models

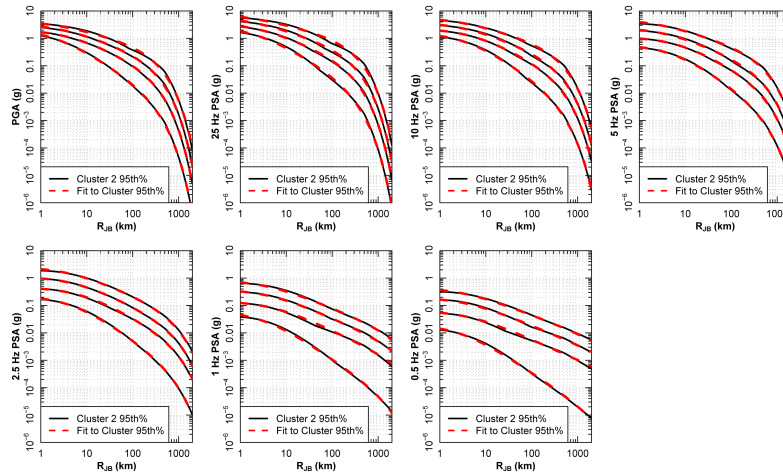


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Fitting of 95th % Models



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Questions from TI Team

- What are the limitations of the GMPEs?
 - Have we captured the model space using the available published GMPEs (expanded using a model to model sigma and selecting)?
 - Somewhat limited frequencies
- What was the basis for the range of GMPEs defining the epistemic uncertainty used in the EPRI review project?
 - Within cluster variation based on envelop of model-to-model variability and data constraints at $M \sim 5$ plus additional magnitude scaling

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