

# Ground motion directionality effects on inelastic spectral displacements

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- Earthquakes produce ground shaking in 3 dimensions
- In practice we usually use the 1 (or 2) as-recorded direction(s)
- There is a need to have a sense on what could be the maximum directional response
- And the expected ground motion (GM) directionality effects, given some underlying seismic hazard conditions
- Main Goals:
  - Understand the general directionality effects of GMs with various characteristics on non-linear (NL) systems
  - Explore the magnitude of difference from the corresponding linear systems
  - Use the maximum directional response as a more comprehensive quantification of GM severity

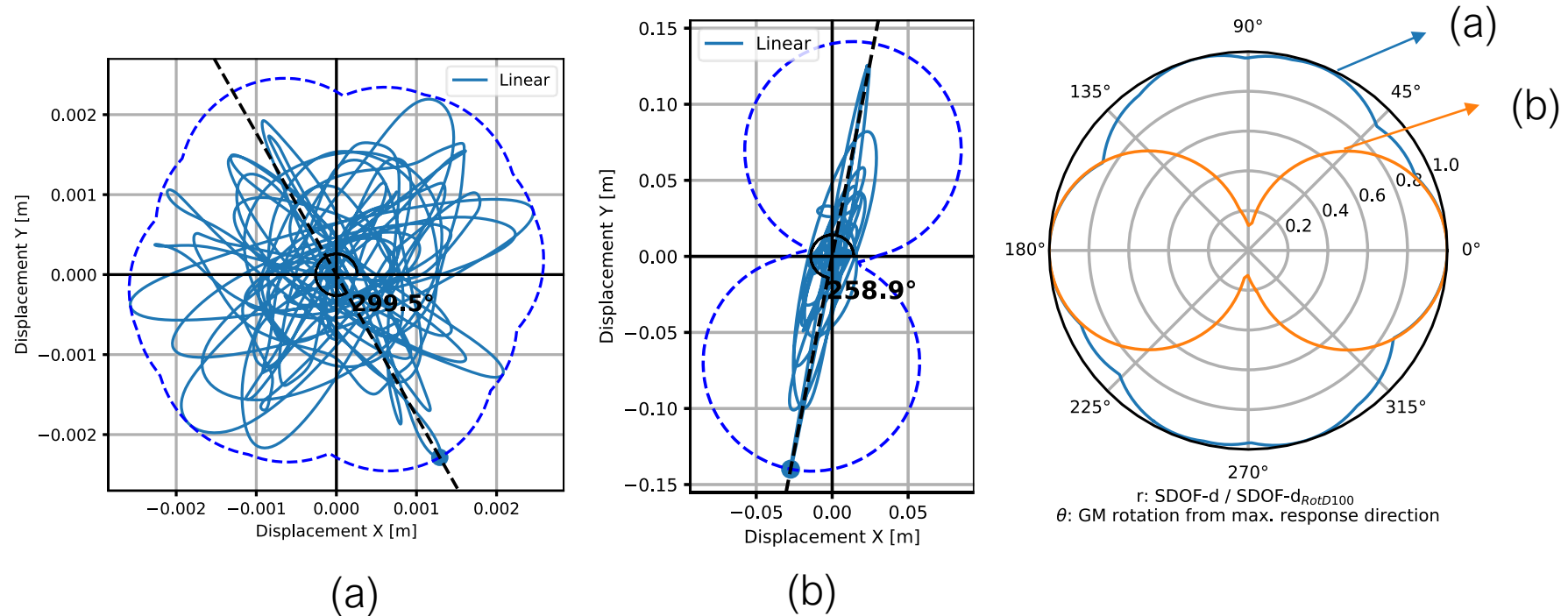
- Baker and Cornell (2006) demonstrated the consistent use of spectral acceleration ( $Sa$ ) of an **arbitrary horizontal component**,  $Sa_{arb}$ , and the **geometric mean** of  $Sa$  of the two as-recorded components,  $Sa_{gm}$ , in probabilistic seismic analyses
- **$Sa_{RotDnn}$ , defined as the  $nn^{th}$  percentile of  $Sa$  from all rotation angles** (Boore et al. 2006) → State of the art  $Sa$  intensity measure (IM) to consider the GM in the 2D horizontal plane
- **Shahi and Baker (2014)** motivated this study the most. They developed an empirical model for  **$Sa_{RotD100}/Sa_{RotD50}$  ratios**, in order to **quantify the polarization of GMs** and enable the **estimation of  $Sa_{RotD100}$  spectra from  $Sa_{RotD50}$**
- There are **several studies that considered multi-directional excitation** of either **linear or complex non-linear structural systems** (Fontara et al., 2015; Nievas and Sullivan, 2017; Feng et al., 2018; Pinzon et al., 2021)

- Many researchers have developed **ground motion models (GMMs) for peak inelastic displacements of SDOF systems,  $Sd_i$** , (Heresi et al., 2018; Huang et al., 2020)
- **$Sd_i$  can be an efficient IM** in relating the ground motion intensity with the inelastic response and, therefore, damage of structural systems (Stafford et al. 2016)

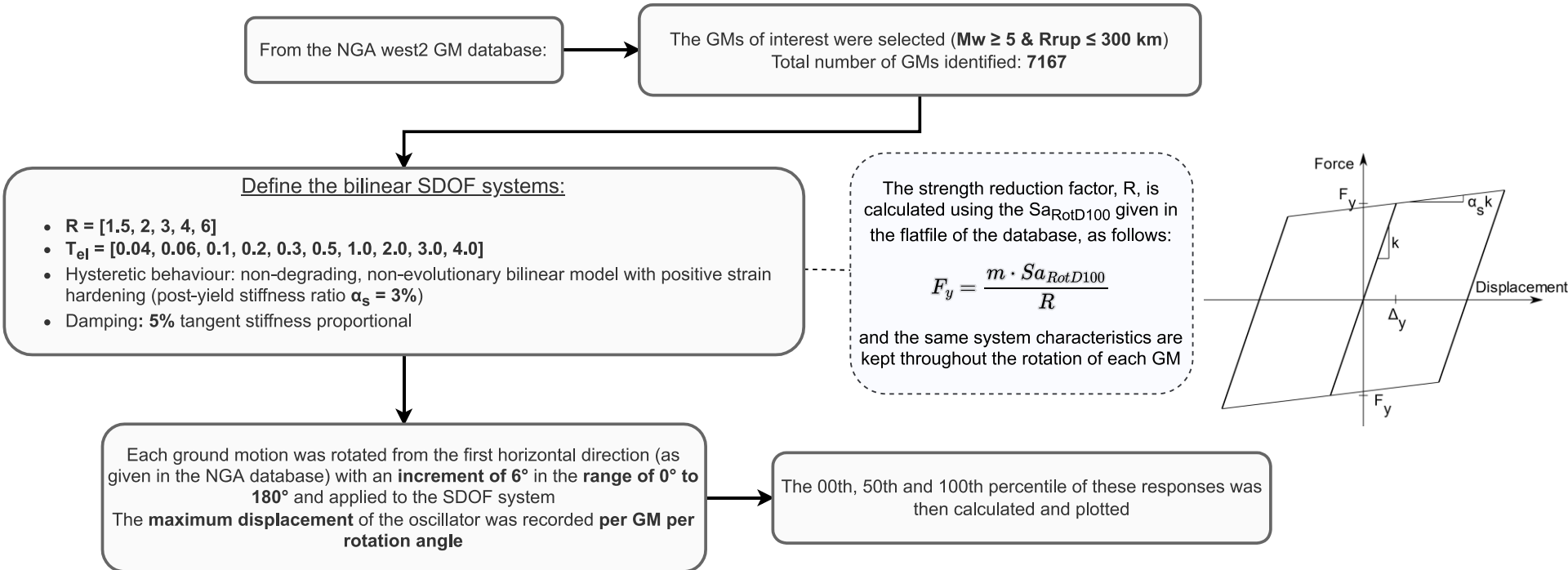
## In this study:

- The idea was to merge of  $Sd_i$  with the orientation independent definitions  $Sa_{RotDnn}$
- The  $RotD00$ ,  $RotD50$ ,  $RotD100$  period-depended percentiles of  $Sd_i$  were calculated for bilinear SDOF systems with varying elastic periods,  $T_{el}$ , and force reduction factors,  $R$

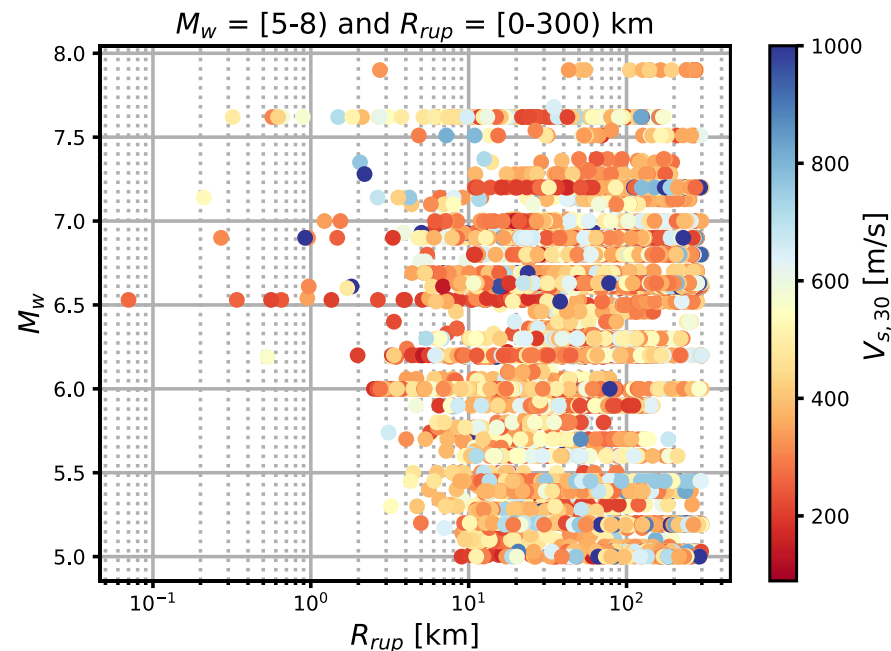
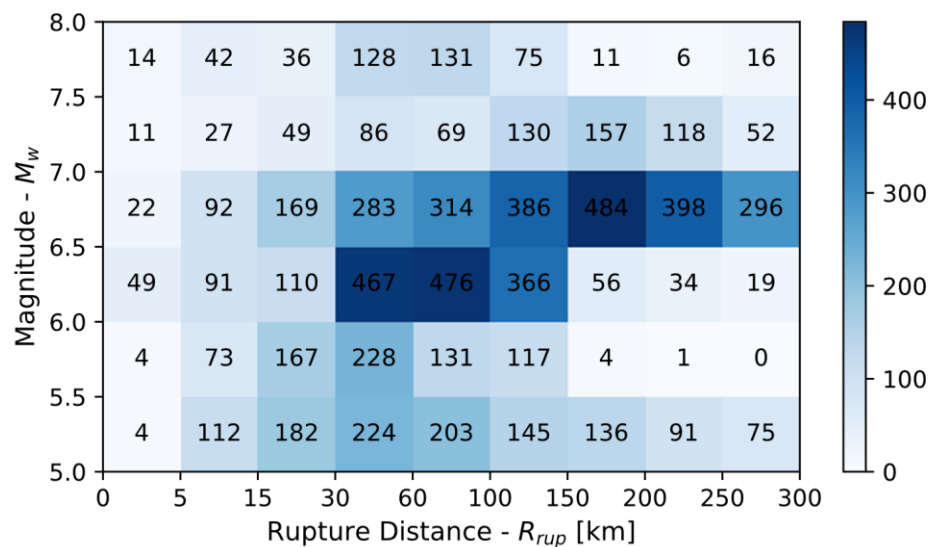
Trace response of an elastic SDOF oscillator with  $T = 1$  s

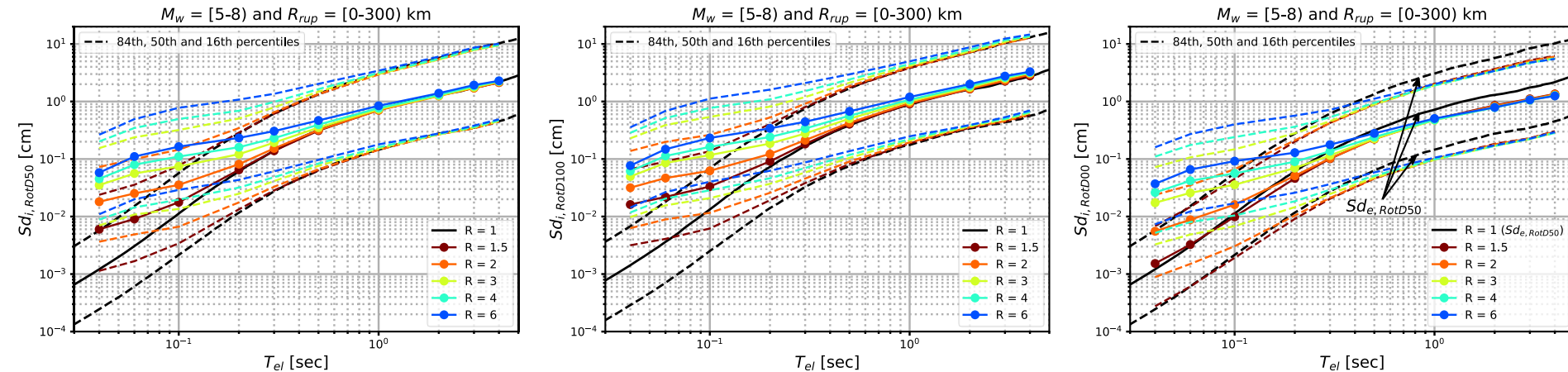


- (a) Unpolarized GM (HWA031 recording from the 1999 Chi-Chi-04 earthquake)  
(b) Strongly polarized GM (Gilroy Array #6 recording from the 1984 Morgan Hill earthquake)



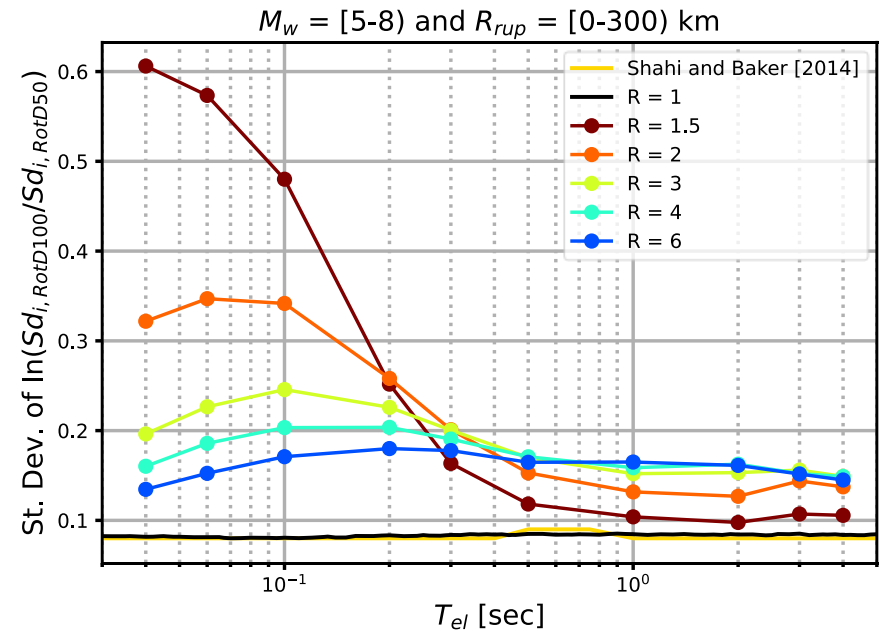
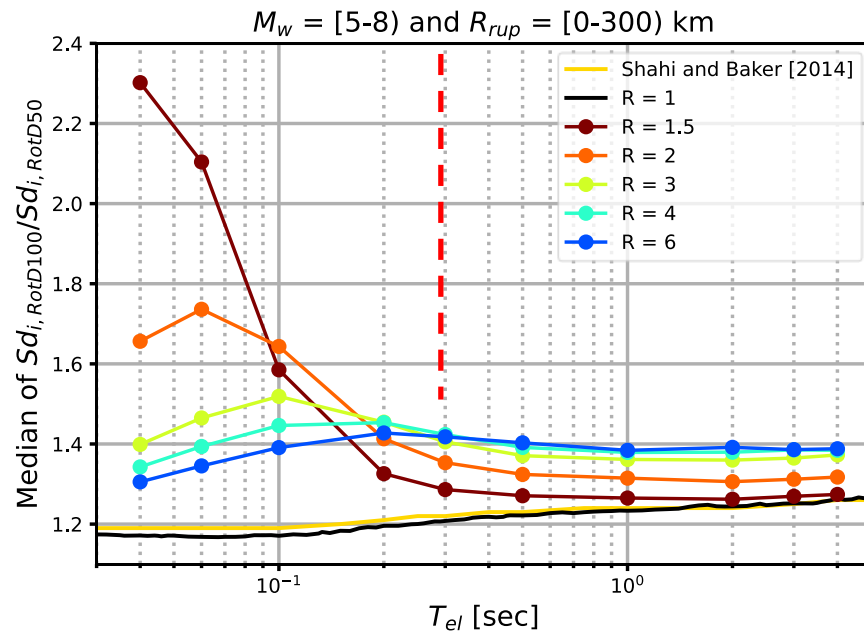
- NGA-West2 database (Ancheta et al. 2013): Shallow crustal earthquakes in active tectonic regions

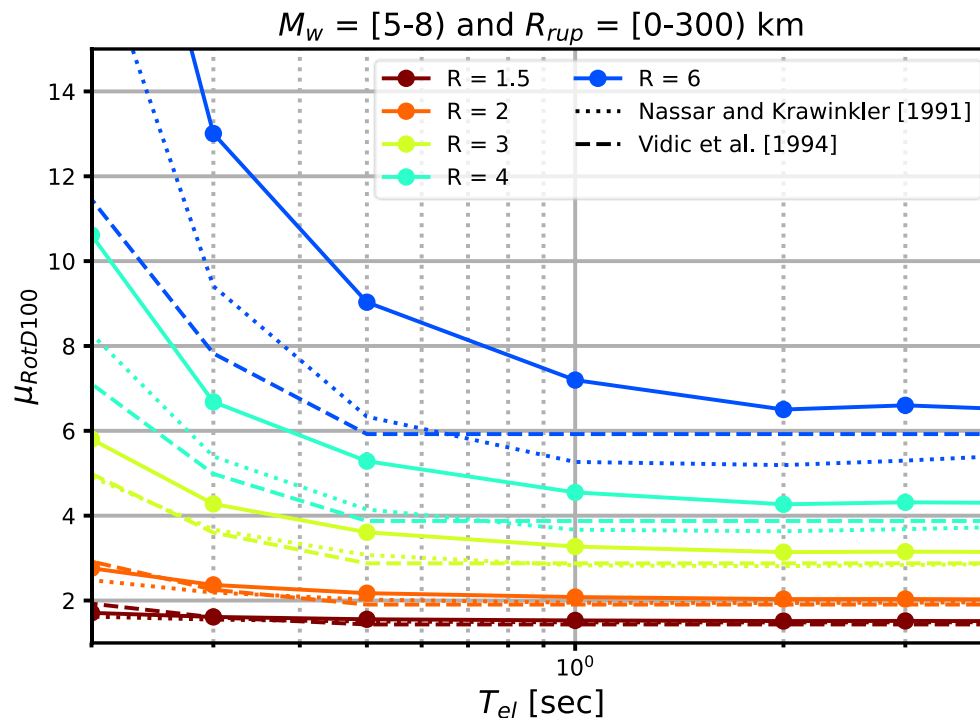




- Median  $Sd_i$  increases with an increase in  $R$
- For long periods, the inelastic response approaches the elastic  $\rightarrow$  Equal-displacement rule (Chopra, 2014)
- The last figure investigates whether the elastic RotD50 response can be higher than the minimum inelastic response

- This simple scalar measure describes well the GM directionality
- Range of values for elastic systems:  $Sa_{\text{RotD100}}/Sa_{\text{RotD50}} = 1$  to 1.41



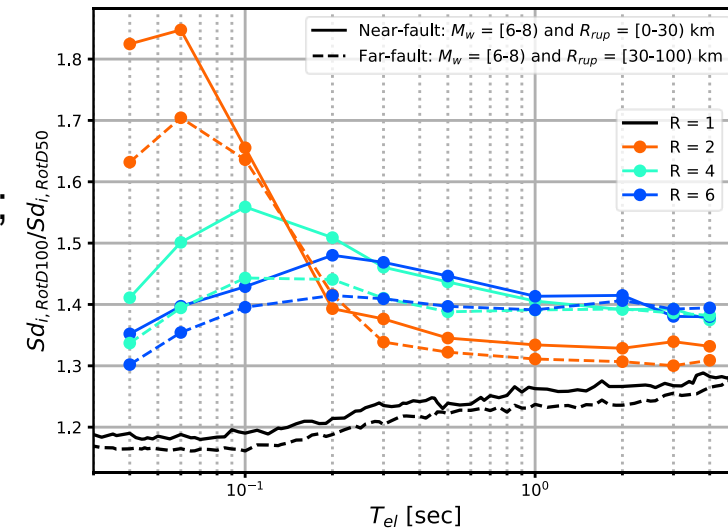
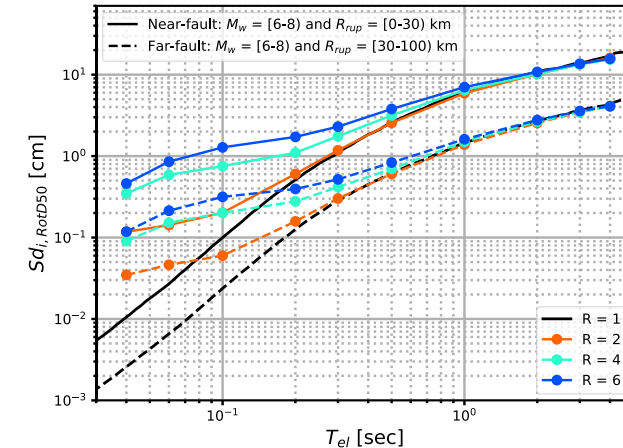
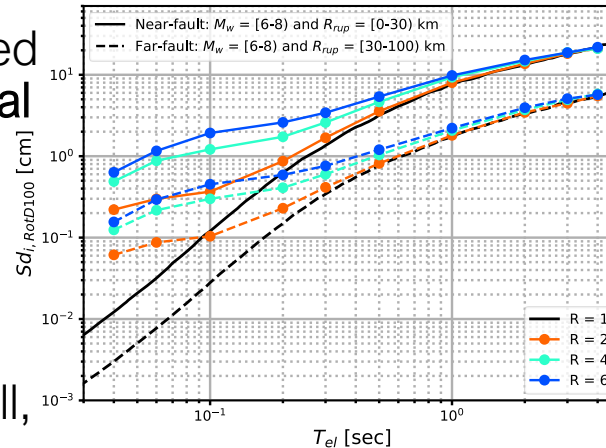


- Calculated as  $Sd_{i,RotD100}/\Delta_y$ .
- The values of this study are higher because:
  - $\Delta_y$  calculated for GM rotated to the 100<sup>th</sup> percentile of linear-elastic response. While  $Sd_{i,RotD100}$  is the 100<sup>th</sup> percentile of inelastic response
  - The other studies were performed for the two as-recorded components of GMs
  - Differences in the post-yield stiffness and assumption of viscous damping
  - Very different GM database

# Examining directionality in near- and far-fault ground motions (using heuristic method)

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- Different bins of near- and far-fault GMs were examined in term of inelastic directional response and directionality measure
- Near-fault GMs result in higher displacements overall, as expected
- Near-fault GMs exhibit higher directionality effects (Bray and Rodriguez-Marek 2004; Huang et al. 2009; Tarbali 2017) → higher directionality measure



- The directionality of GMs in the NGA-West2 database on a range of inelastic SDOF systems was examined
- Bilinear hysteretic behaviour with varying  $T_{el}$  and  $R$
- Inelastic displacement spectra for *RotD00*, *RotD50* and *RotD100* were computed and plotted
- The effect of directionality, quantified via the *RotD100/RotD50* ratio, increases with  $R$  for  $T_{el} > 0.3s$ , whereas the opposite trend was observed for  $T_{el} < 0.3s$
- Differences and impacts of considering directionality compared to traditional R- $\mu$ -T models were also shown
- A subset of near-fault ground motions showed higher elastic and inelastic displacements and higher directionality for the entire range of  $T_{el}$

- Different hysteretic models with different post-yield behaviours
- The analyses will be extended to full 3D buildings or bridge structures
- Similar analyses can be conducted for GMs caused by subduction earthquakes

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