



# Multi-channel analysis of surface waves (MASW) applied to an active fault zone

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### **Objectives**

Apply the MASW method to delineate a known fault zone

2. Identify soil conditions that have risk for high liquefaction potential

## MASW (Park et al., 1999)

- Goal is to generate a Vs profile though multi-channel analysis of surface waves (ground roll)
- Dispersion: For each unique frequency component of a surface wave, a different propagation velocity exists.



### **Rayleigh Wave Animation**



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### **Geologic Setting**





GEOPHONES	Sensor SM-24 10 Hz vertical component
SEISMIC SOURCE	IVI Envirovibe. 10 – 120 Hz Sweep, 10 sec, 8 sweeps.
RECORDER	4000 ms recording length, 1 ms sample rate

### Data Processing (Promax)



### A feel for the data...



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Shot 500 AGC 1000

#### Shot 390

#### Raw



Shot 390 BP Filt 0-4-30-36



#### Shot 390 BP Filt 0-4-30-36 & AGC 1000





Shot 380 – Raw with AGC (Mean with OpLen=1000). Gain = 1.5



Shot 380 – What I am keeping (Post-Radial Filter)

#### Shot 380 – What I am throwing away



#### Shot 410 – Raw with AGC (Mean with OpLen=1000). Gain = 1.5



#### Shot 410 – What I am keeping (Post-Radial Filter)



#### Shot 410 – What I am throwing away



#### SHOT 500: AGC. Before Radial Filter



#### SHOT 500: AGC. After Radial Filter 30 Hz max



#### POST RADIAL FILT: No Mute



#### POST RAD FILTER: WITH TOP MUTE



#### POST RADIAL FILTER Mute & Off-END GEOM



### Dispersion Analysis with KGS SURFSEIS

- Create the best overtone image as possible to analyze changing phase velocity patterns with frequency.
- 2. Find best parameters to pick dispersion curve







### **Dispersion Analysis:** THE BIG PICTURE

Shot 360: Phase Velocity: 0 – 10000 m/s Frequency: 6 – 40 Hz



### **Dispersion Analysis:** Within the expected range

Shot 360: Phase Velocity: 0 – 1000 m/s Frequency: 6 – 40 Hz



















### S-WAVE VELOCITY MODEL SHOT 450



### **Preliminary Inversion Results**

Initial model created from each dispersion curve



### **RMS Error**



### **Future Work**

- 1. Consider applying additional FK Filters
- 2. Analysis of left Off-End records
- 3. Further analysis of inversion parameters
- 4. Interpretation of results
- 5. Consider all suggestions from today's meeting!

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