

**P
E
E
R**

PEER Lifelines Research Program

*“Program of Applied Earthquake Engineering Research
on Lifeline Systems”*

Michael Riemer
Program Manager

2003 PEER Annual Meeting



Objectives and Structure of Lifelines Program

- Increase safety and reliability of utility and transportation systems in earthquakes, through better characterization of the hazards *and* improved performance of system components.
- Identify lifeline user needs and prioritize research requirements.
- Focus on validation and implementation of results.
- Joint management of research by representatives of 4 primary research partners.

Overview of Lifelines Program Sponsorship



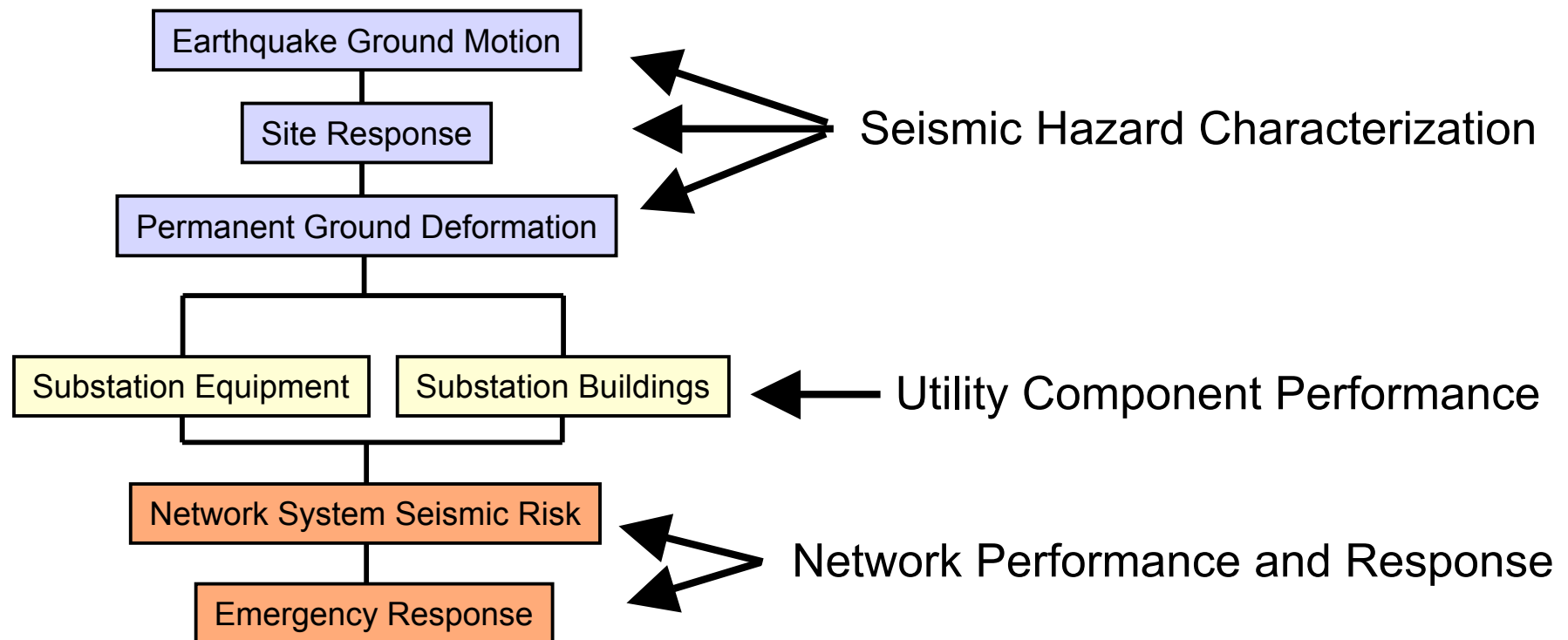
Sponsor and Funding (\$1000)						
Phase	Dates	PG&E	CEC	Caltrans	Other	Total
I	12/97 -6/99	2,400				2,400
II	10/98 -5/00		1,000		75	1,075
III	5/00 -6/04	1,000	4,500	4,500 *	~2,000 ** -	12,000
						15,475

* Maximum match (\$0.60/\$1.00)

** includes project-specific funding from FEMA, SCEC, NCREE, CSMIP and others

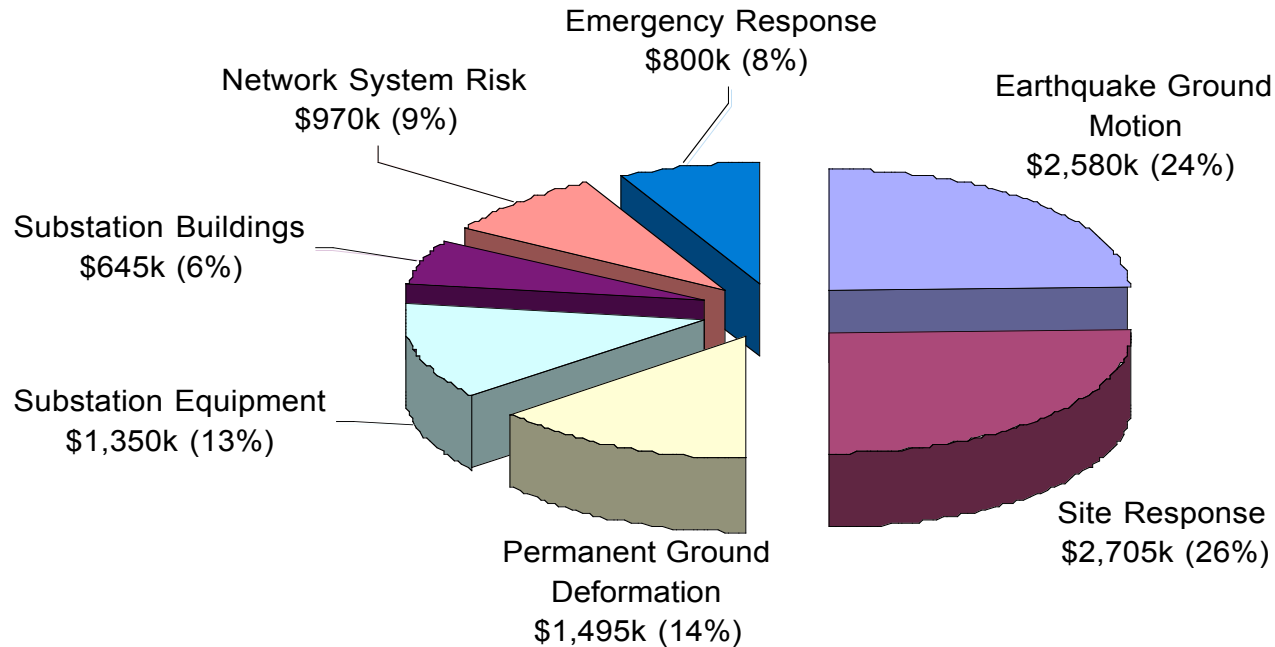


Program Plan



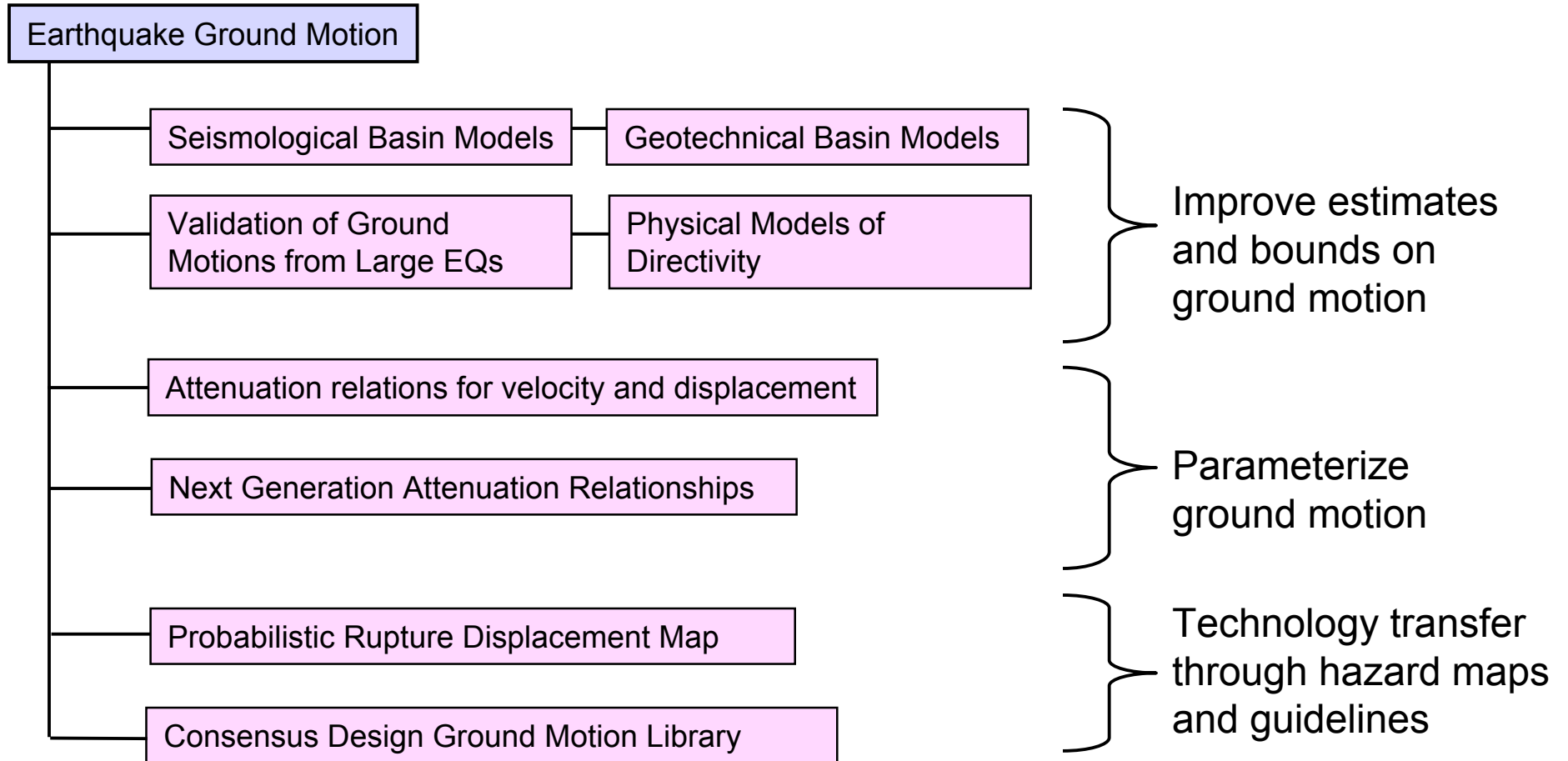
Distribution of Lifelines funding by Topic

Intended distribution of sponsor funding over four year program



Approximately 80% of funding has been allocated to date

Technical objectives of program: Earthquake Ground Motion



Selected Research Results and Developments: Seismic Hazard

Earthquake Ground Motion

Jointly validate simulation procedures for:

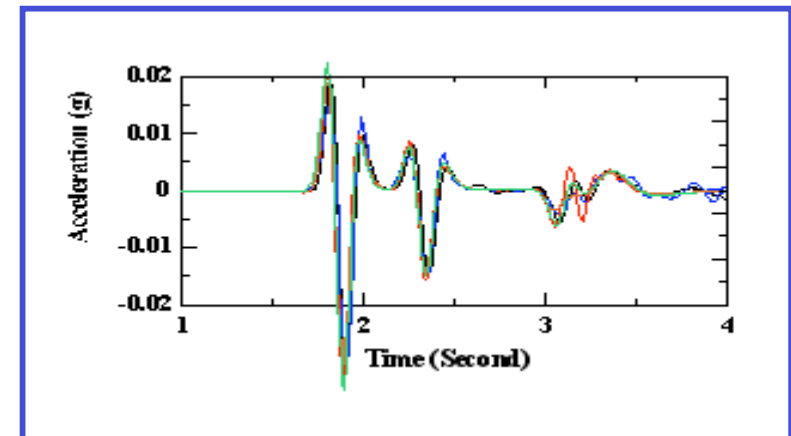
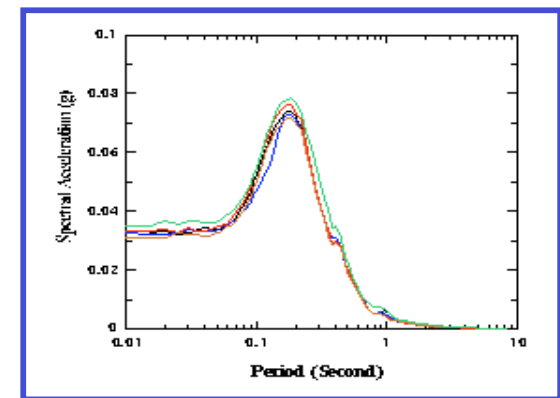
- 1-D kinematic methods for near fault events,
- 3-D methods used to evaluate basin effects

Value: with adequate validation, these codes can supply valuable information on likely motions over a range of conditions for which recordings may not be available.

Investigators:

Somerville (URS), Silva (PEA), Zeng (UNR);
Day (SDSU), Bielak (CMU), Dreger and Larsen (UCB),
Graves and Pitarka (URS), Olsen (UCSB)

Ground Motion Simulation



Selected Research Results and Developments: Seismic Hazard

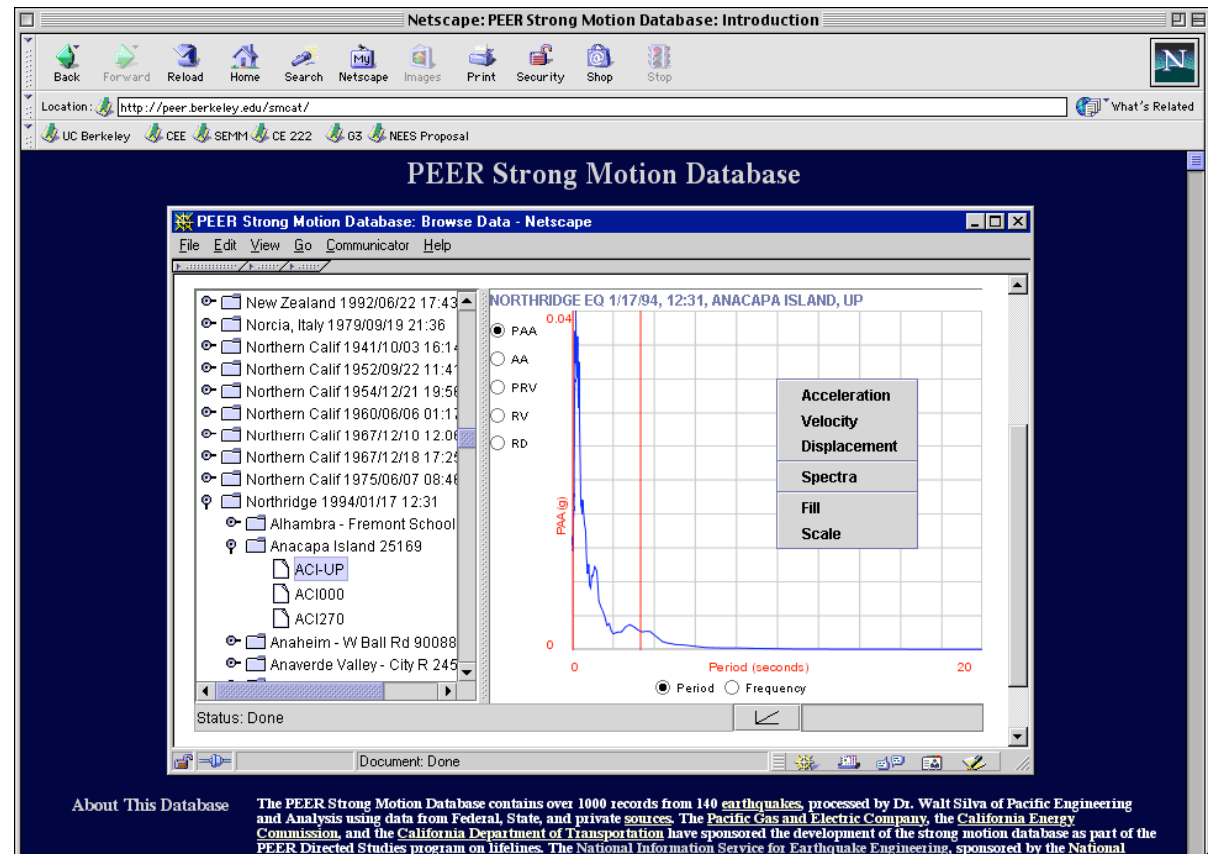
Earthquake Ground Motion

Support engineering studies with consistent processing of records from many events.

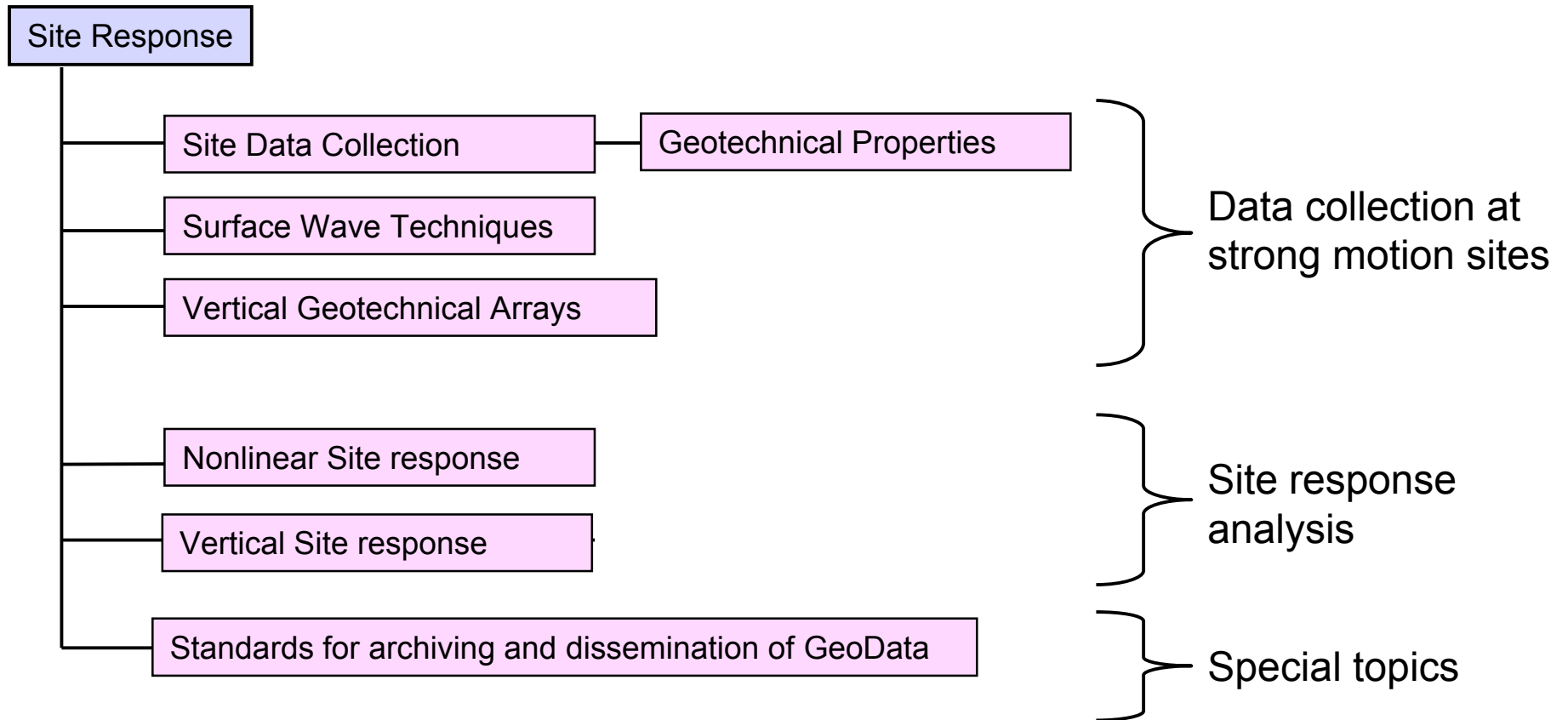
Updated data now includes Duzce, Kocaeli, and Chi Chi events, with extensive plans for additional records.

Ongoing efforts include collecting and posting extensive supporting data, which will allow more sophisticated use of the motions.

Update of PEER Strong Motion Database



Technical objectives of program: Site Response



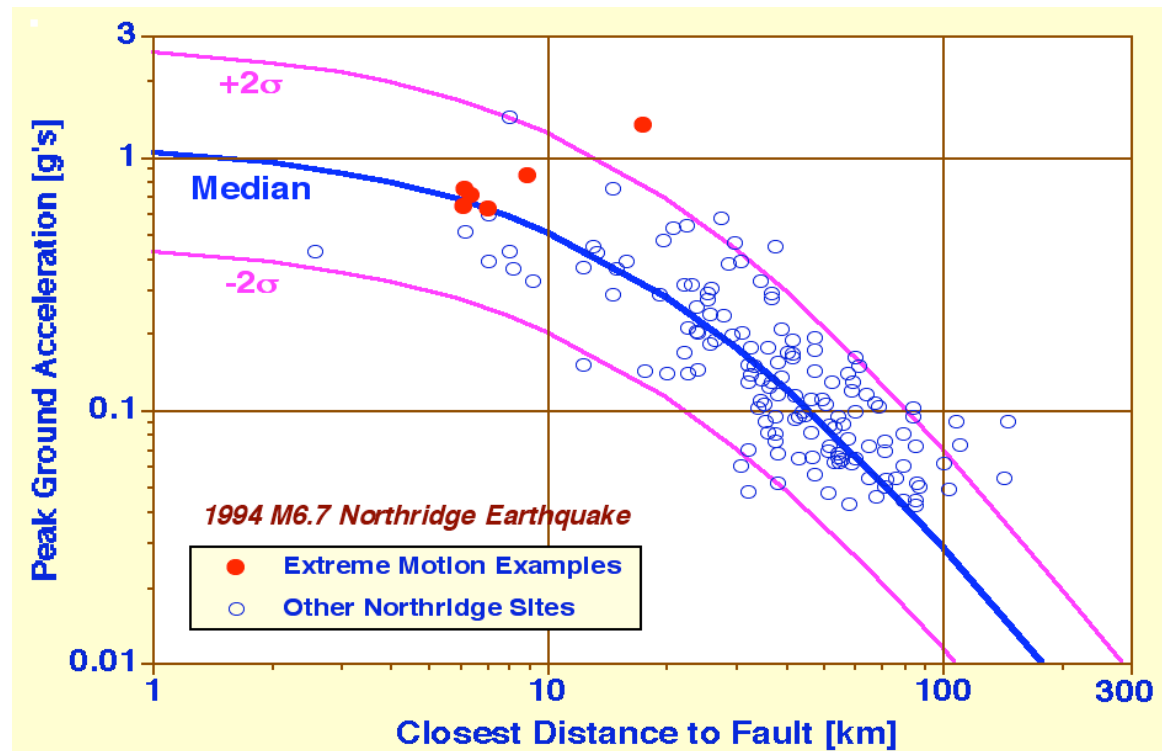
Selected Research Results and Developments: Seismic Hazard

Earthquake Ground Motion

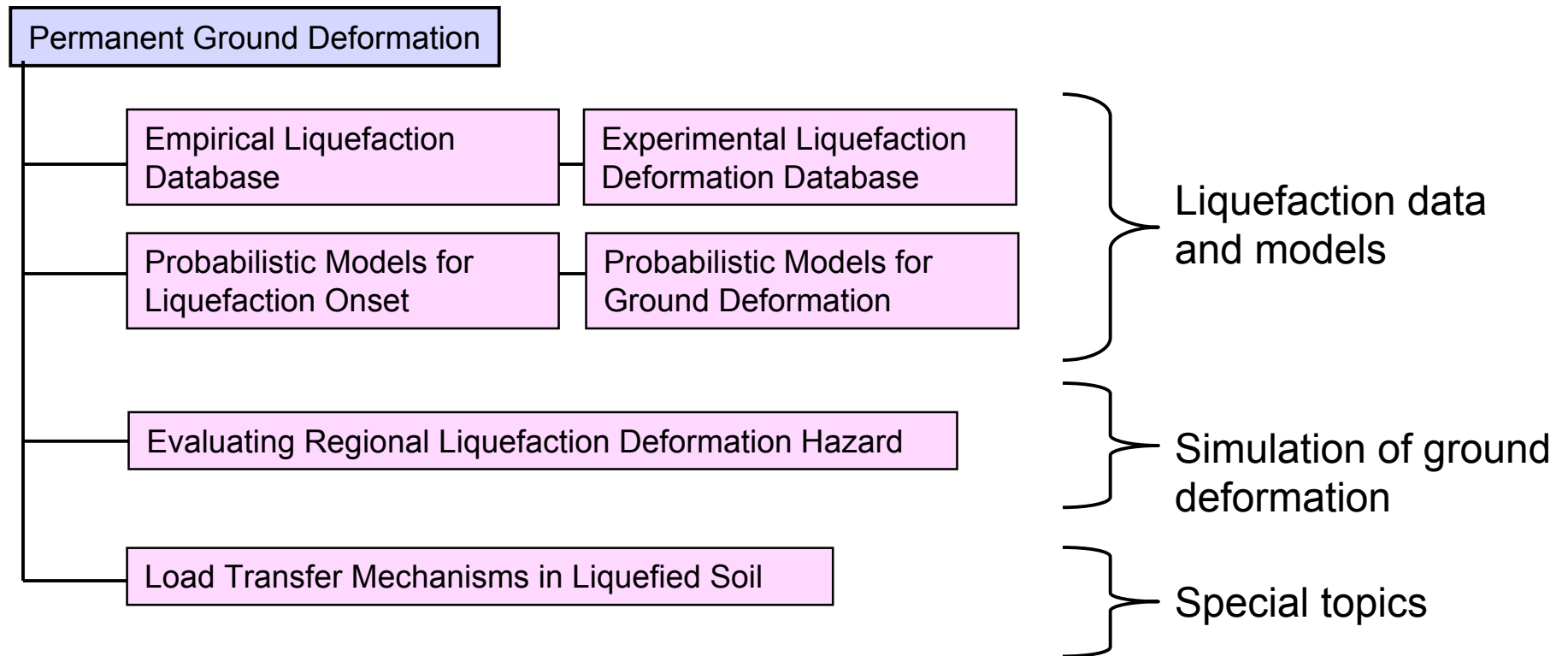
Use the enhanced Ground Motion Database, and include recent research results on topics such as directivity, basin effects and more complex predictor variables, to reduce uncertainty in attenuation models.

Five major attenuation models are represented, and many researchers and other stakeholders are contributing to the development.

Next Generation of Attenuation Models



Technical objectives of program: Permanent Ground Deformation



Selected Research Results and Developments: Ground Deformations

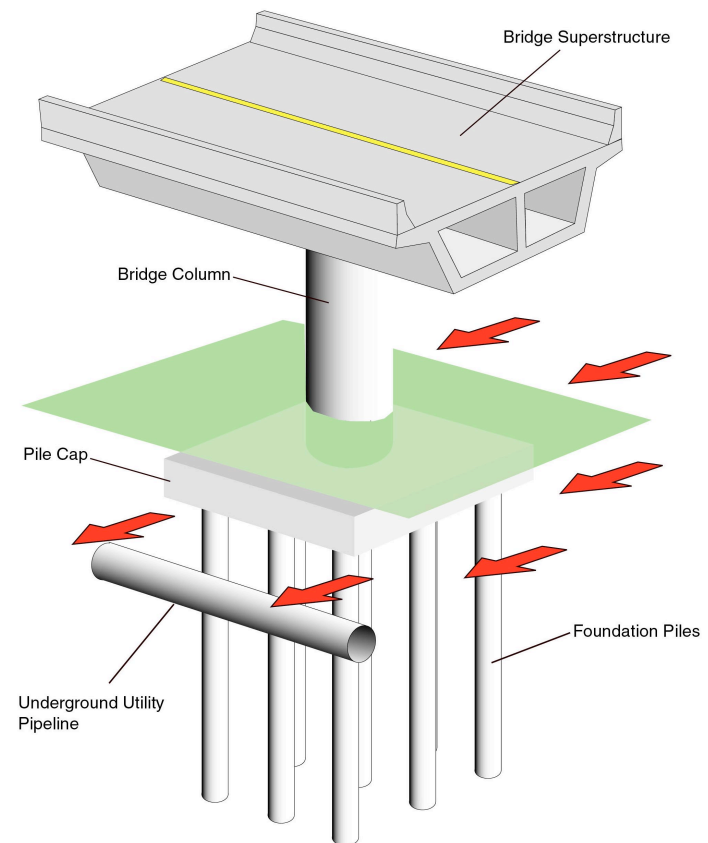
Permanent Ground Deformations

Full scale experiment of SSI w/ liquefied soil

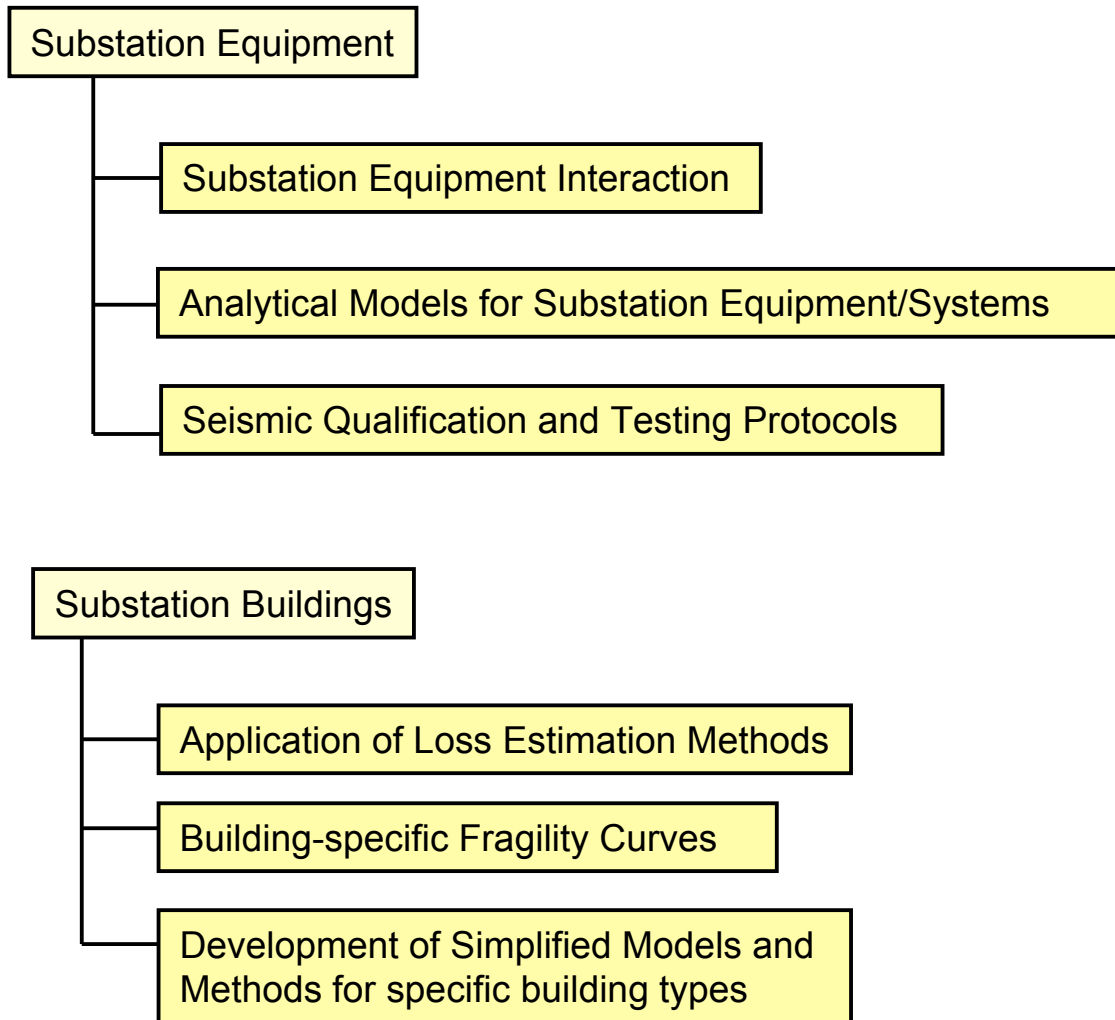
Conduct full-scale field experiment examining the loading imparted to pile groups and buried utilities by laterally spreading liquefied soil.

- Useful for confirming load path
- Compare with data from centrifuge
- Use to validate/calibrate simulations

Investigators:
Ashford, Elgamal, Uang (SDSU)



Technical objectives of program: Utility Component Performance

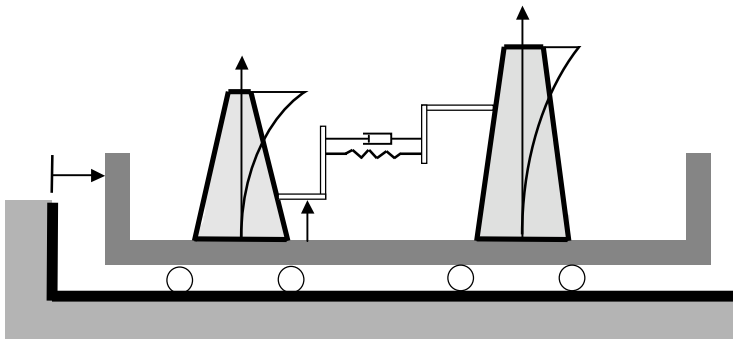


Selected Research Results and Developments: Utility Component Performance

Substation Equipment

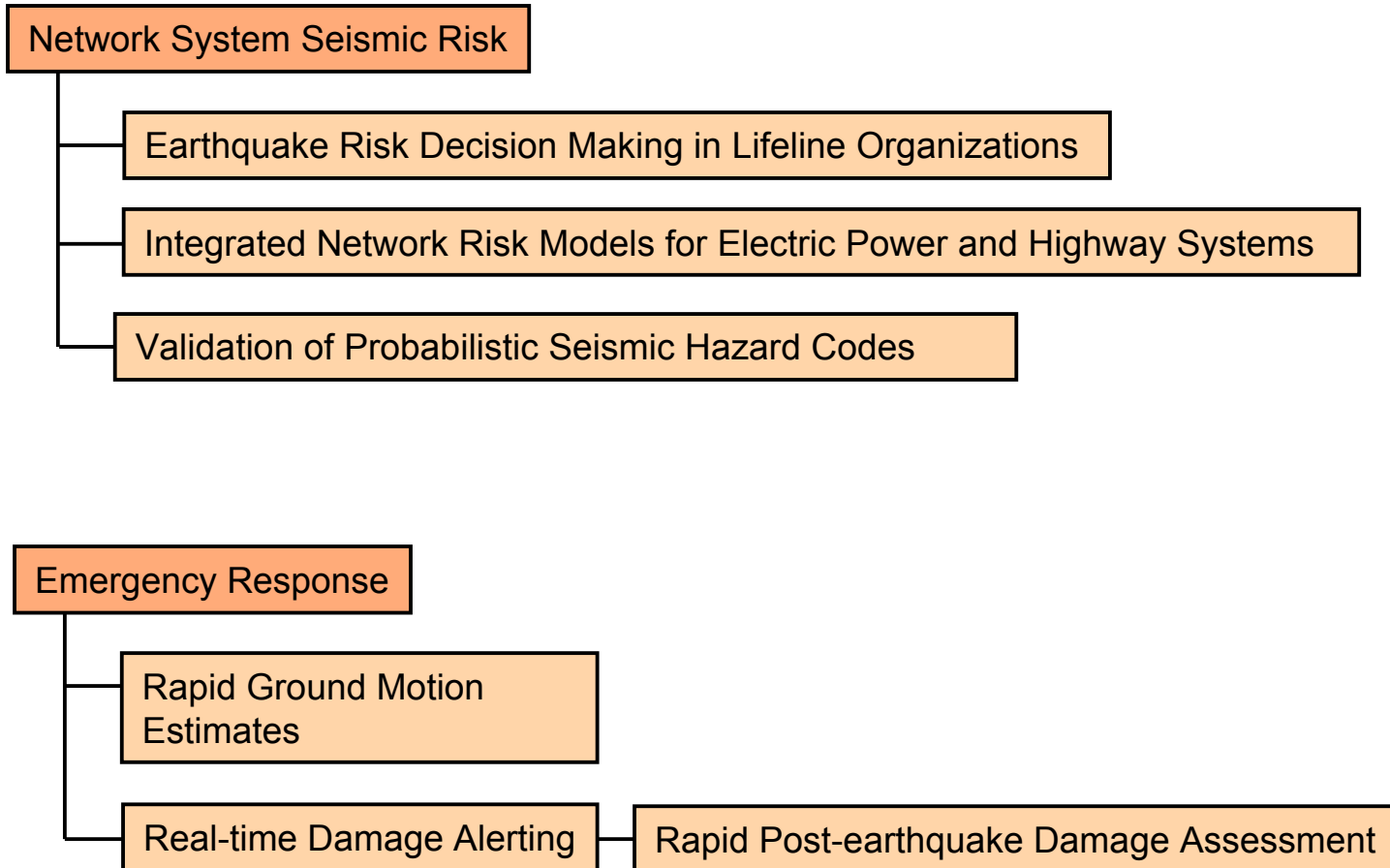
Dynamics of Interconnected Systems

Quantifying additional demand placed on stiff components due to interactions with equipment to which they are connected

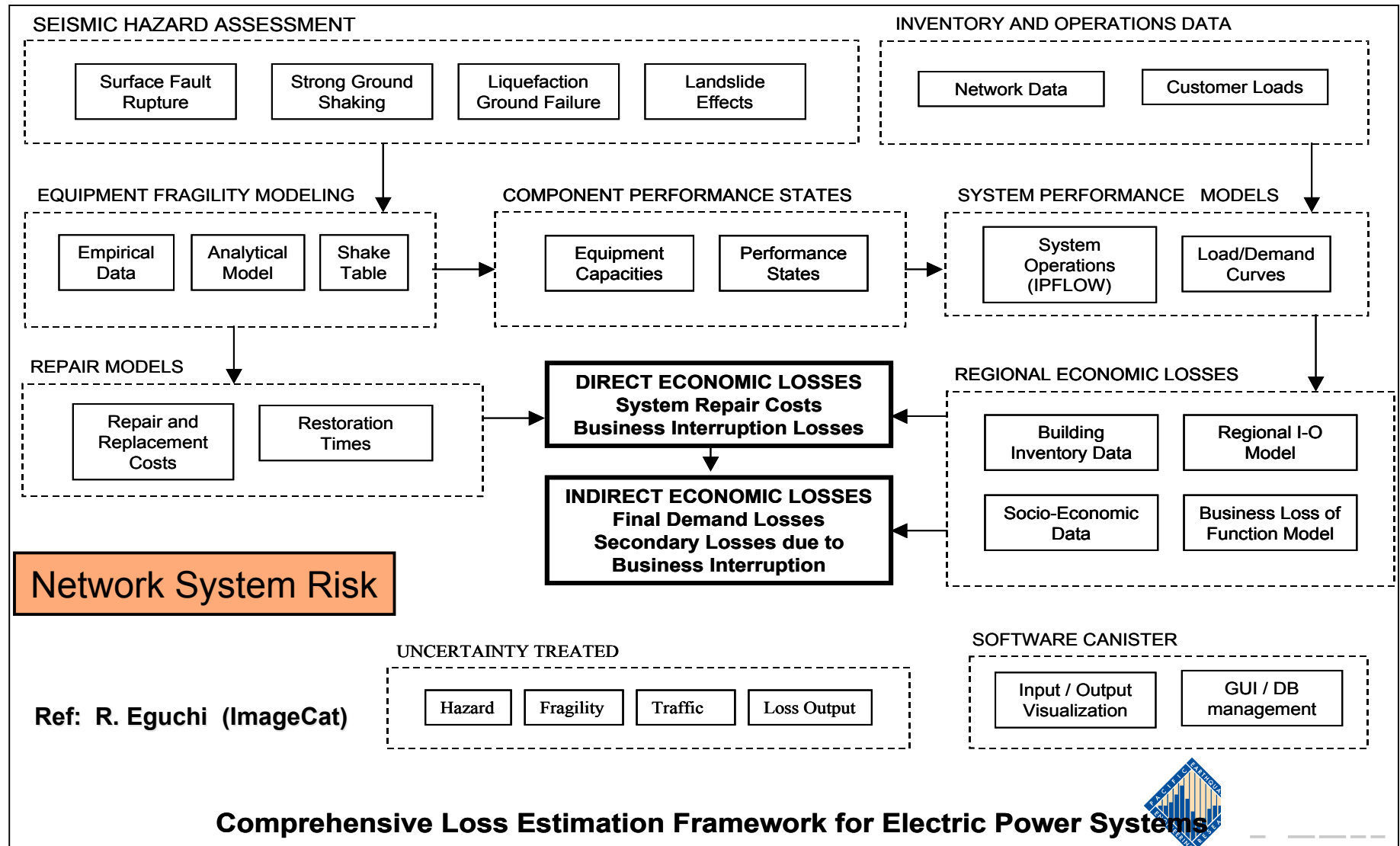


Investigators: A. Der Kiureghian (UCB),
J. Sackman (UCB), A. Filiatrault (UCSD)

Technical objectives of program: Lifeline Network Planning/Operation



Selected Research Results and Developments: Network Modeling of Systems



Summary of Lifelines Status

- Approximately 70 projects have been initiated.
- Future work will focus on integrating results of earlier projects into products for implementation, and incorporating results into the network framework where applicable.
- Current phase runs through June 2004.