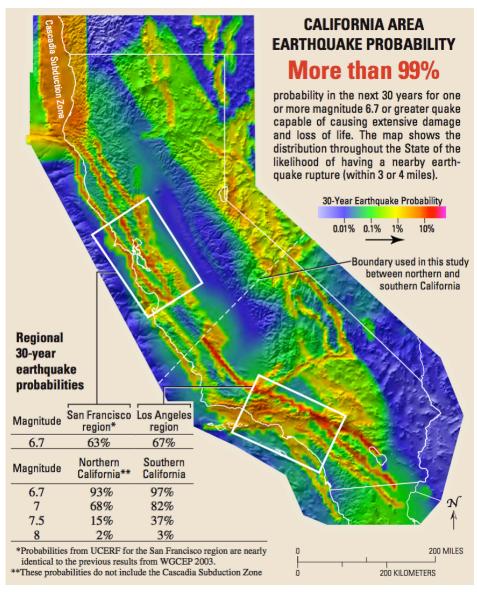
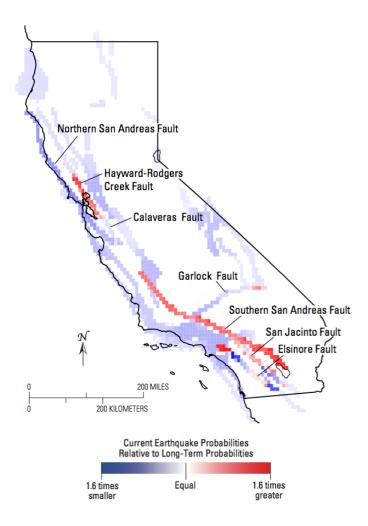


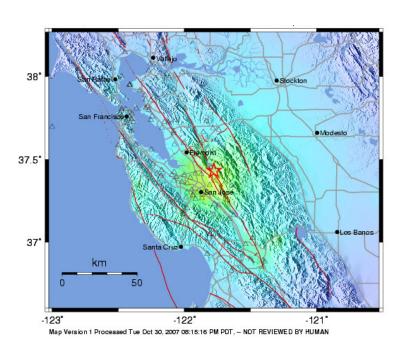
### California's earthquake problem





UCERF 2008 - USGS, CGS, SCEC

What is Earthquake Early Warning?



Today: ShakeMap in 8-10 minutes

Current realtime earthquake information

- location
- magnitude
- ground shaking distribution



seconds to tens of seconds before shaking

- people move to safe zone (under table)
- slow and stop trains (BART)
- isolate hazards (equipment, chemicals)

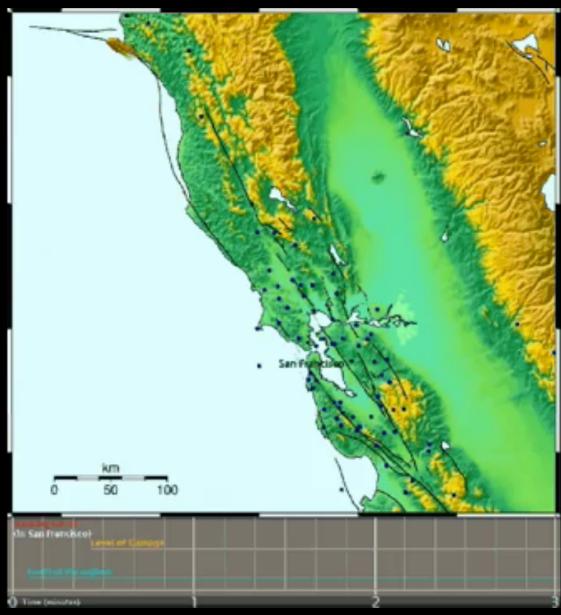
new science + modern communications



### **Warning timeline**

Realtime animation: Magnitude 8 on the San Andreas fault

- → The most damaging earthquake for the Bay Area
- → ~1 min warning



YouTube: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qf9DeYBlwMI">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qf9DeYBlwMI</a>
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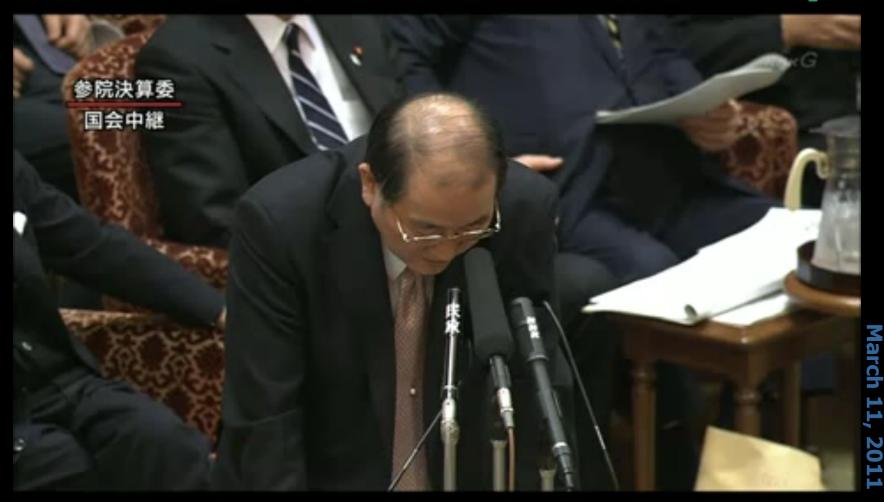
# The magnitude 9 Tohoku-oki, Japan earthquake

March 11, 2011

Japan's earthquake warning system

### Automated TV warning

## Studio in Tokyo



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#### **Japan**

### Communicating the warning

#### TV and radio announcements

- 124 of 127 TV stations (98%)
- 41 AM, 35 FM radio (75%)

#### **J-Alert messages**

- 226 municipalities receive the warnings
- 102 announce them with public address systems

#### **Cell phones**

- 3 companies (Docomo, AU, Softbank)
- 52 million can receive them (47%)

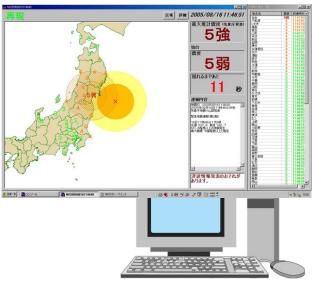
#### **Dedicated providers serve**

- power plants
- factories
- schools
- hospitals
- shopping malls





earthquake location and hazard estimated shaking in your area



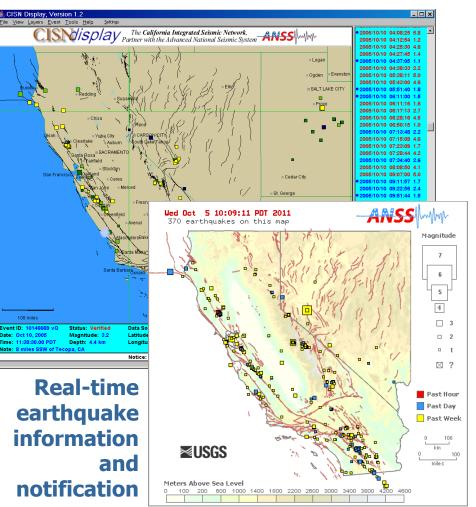




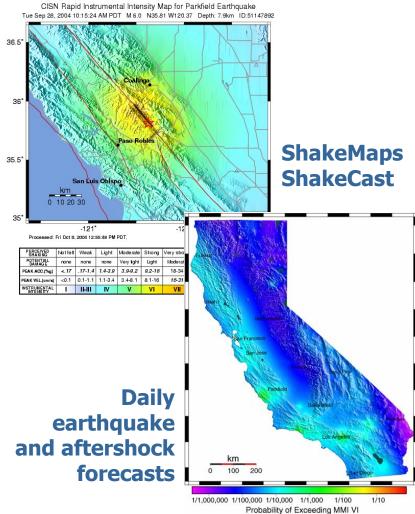
## **70 geophysical observatories** across northern California...







Delivering real-time earthquake information through the USGS...



# Shake/A ert

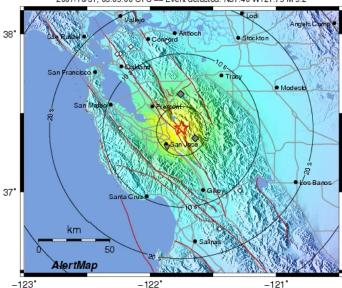
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Parallel statewide testing of multiple methodologies

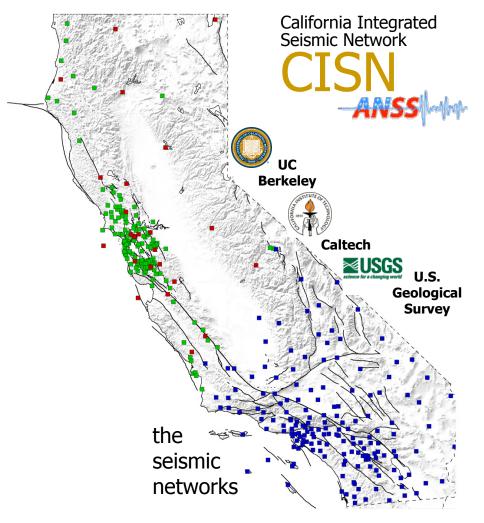
#### 1<sup>st</sup> Proof of concept event: Warning before the shaking in San Francisco

ElarmS Real-Time Hazard Map: Modified Mercalli Intensity 2007/10/31, 03:05:00 UTC — Event detected: N37.40 W121.75 M 5.2



**Alum Rock earthquake** M<sub>w</sub> 5.4, October 30, 2007

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# Shake/A ert

**Aug 2006 – Aug 2009: USGS funds...** 

Phase I: Development and testing of realtime algorithms

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**Aug 2009 – Aug 2012: USGS funds...** 

Phase II: Implementation of an end-to-end test system

A single CISN early warning output to a group of test users Upgrade of station hardware for faster delivery

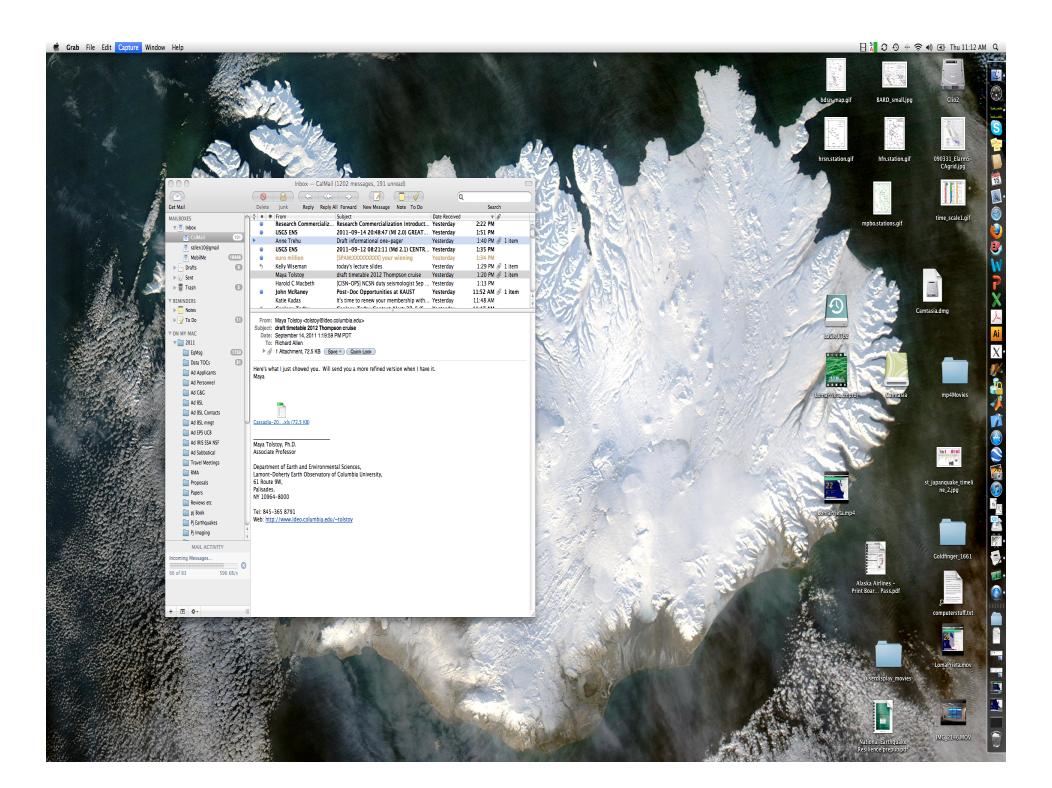
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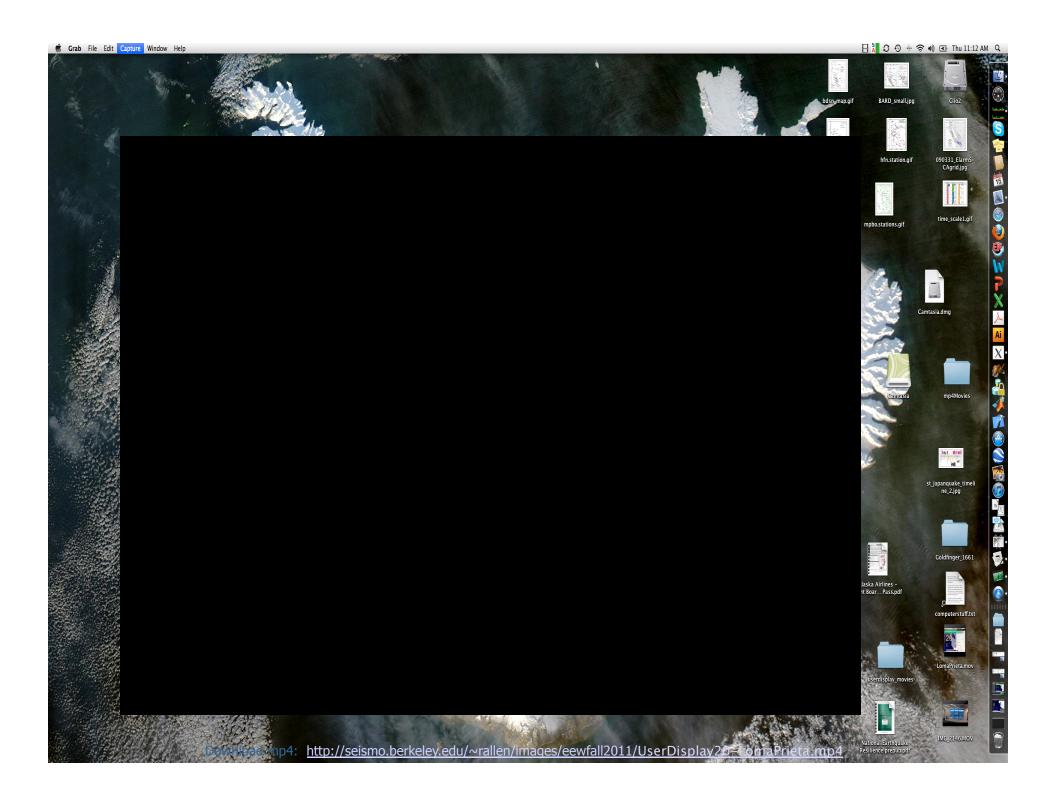
#### Possible user groups

- transportation
- industrial sites
- public sector
- schools









### **Types of application**

Using seconds to tens of seconds warning for...

### 1. Personal safety

### Identifying a safe zone where you live and work

- Being mentally prepared for the shaking
- Protection from falling bookshelves, lighting etc
- Home or office: Under a sturdy table
- Outside: away from masonry and falling hazards
- Industrial plants, construction sites: away from machinery and chemicals







### **Types of application**

Using seconds to tens of seconds warning for...

- 1. Personal safety
- 2. Automated control

### **Bringing systems into a safe mode**

- Slowing and stopping trains
- Telling airplanes to "go-around"
- Isolating hazardous chemicals and machinery
- Putting sensitive equipment into a stable state
- Stopping elevators and opening doors at next floor
- Smart buildings: opening doors/windows, turning off gas









### **Types of application**

Using seconds to tens of seconds warning for...

- 1. Personal safety
- 2. Automated control
- 3. Situation awareness

### Understanding why systems are failing

- Re-routing power or communications
- Preventing cascading failures
- Initiating emergency response
  - → Information available before communications are lost





# Progress toward California's Shake/Alert

### Right now: Looking for early-adopters

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