Some Issues in Seismic Hazard Assessment for the Next Generation Map

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Introduction

- Seismic zonation plays a role of governmental policy for earthquake fortification, as a national standard in China.
- Seismic zonation in the world initiated at the end of 19 century in Russia.
- The related study started in 1920's after the Haiyuan earthquake, and the first regional seismic zoning map in China was published in 1923 and the first national map in 1957.
- Some researchers mainly worked on statistics of historical data (河角廣, 1951; Lomniz, 1967; Milne & Davenport, 1969), while some others emphasized the tectonic cause of earthquake (Gubin, 1978).

Introduction

- Long term earthquake prediction from a comprehensive understanding of quake occurence mainly on seismoligical and tectonic considerationhas been a basis of the zoning.
- Engineering seismic hazard assessment (Cornel, 1968; Mcguire, 1973), so called PSHA, is now widely adopted in zoning maps in the world at national, regional and city level.

1. Fundamentals

- The fundamentals of strong earthquake occurrence from regional seismicity and tectonic condition (Lee, 1957) may be restated from what have been learned from the recent large quakes.
- Strong earthquake may occur at a place where a destructive shock occurred with the similar magnitudein what space-time area?
- Strong earthquake may occur at a place where the tectonic condition is similar with another place where a destructive shock occurred-how to characterize the tectonical condition and to define the similarity?

Immunity--It takes time to accumulate enough energy in the crust for the next strong earthquake.

- Migration--Develow whole rupture provide the second sec
- Filling--Linking th



Inconsistency Of Mean Annual Rate Of Exceedance As Determined From Seismicity Data And Geologic Data (Youngs And Coppersmith, 1985)



The seismicity fluctuation must be taken into account in seismicity parameter estimation.



M-T plot of the South-eastern seismic zone

2. What data to be adopted

- Available and necessary
- Seismicity data, destructive and small event
- Tectonic data, active fault and basin, blocks
- Geodetic data, such as GPS
- Geophysical data, for the crust structure and deep structure
- Geodynamic understanding

3. How to process the data





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Two rank potential source area delineation

- The first rank PSA, seismic province or zone, for is quite large for enough data to statistics.
- The second rank PSA evaluated with its own upper bound magnitude, to be assigned with seismicity parameters by a set of weighting factors.

$$\sum_{i} W_{ij} = 1.0$$

 The values of factors are evluated from a comprehensive summary

$$W_{ij} = \sum_{k} f_{ijk}$$

can all factor values be summated together?

3. Ground motion attenuation relationships

- Statistical results of Japan.
- Modification of the result of another region by the intensity attenuation relationship comparison, in China.
- Based on seismological achievements for region without enough strong ground motion records.
- Dr. Tao is going to...

4. The methematical formulation of modorn DCUA is correct? probability Annual eceeding probability Annual eceeding PGA (gal) PGA (gal)

Truncate the distribution at what area?



5. A new idea

 To combine the probabilistic seismic hazard assessment and the scenario (deterministic) approach for the map.



- Peak ground acceleration zoning map in a basin and its vicinity for case study is presented with the different response spectra in two soil condition zones further.
- Is it possible to take into account the local site condition into account in a national map?
- Site condition is usually taken in microzonation next, not in national map or regional map, in China.
- In some cases, the map is prepared by different ground motion attenuation relations for plain and mountain regions respectively. Thus, is the site effect doubled ?

Conclusion

- Five issues in seismic hazard assessment are metioned in this presentation.
- Some of them are considered well, and I have definite answers, while more are recognized without clear solutions.
- Please add anymore else on this meeting and in this project.
- Let us work together resolve them, al least some of them, even not all.



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