

### Developing a Community Accessible Database of Synthetic Ground Motion Records

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## Forum Context

#### <u>Regional scale simulations are at the forefront of PEER current & future directions</u>:

- Very relevant use of PBEE technologies
- Truly achieving community resilience
- > Functional recovery on all infrastructure levels

#### Pacific Rim Forum is important for PEER:

- > Earthquake engineering community engagement
- Bringing together multidisciplinary expertise from structural and geotechnical engineering together with earth science
- > Sharing research results and state-of-the-art & state-of-practice advancements
- Highlighting 21<sup>st</sup> century technologies, particularly HPC & Data Science and their potential adoption in PEER activities



# Earthquake Engineering Profession



Earthquake Engineering Fundamentals

# Current (H-MC\*)

Ductile Response + Collapse Prevention + Saving Lives + Loss estimation

\*H-MC: Human-Machine Collaboration



Functional Recovery + Resilient Communities



## PEER PBEE Framework



$$\lambda (DV > dv) = \iint_{im \ dm \ edp} \int G(dv \mid dm) dG(dm \mid edp) dG(edp \mid im) | d\lambda(im)$$



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# Why Did PEER Develop the Ground Motion (GM) Databases?

- Objective of PBEE: Realistic quantification of uncertainty & estimation of structural system performance
- First, proper definition of the hazard and the corresponding selection of ground motions (GMs) are needed.
- Historically, access to earthquake GM has been hampered by difficult access to "big data", and by data gathering & storage inconsistencies.
- Late 1990s, PEER recognized the need to improve access to earthquake GM data and embarked on an effort to create a webbased searchable database of strong GM data.



# How Did PEER Develop the Ground Motion Databases?

- 1. Collect the most important GM records worldwide.
- 2. Ensure that all data had been processed consistently & reliably.





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3. Collect related metadata: earthquake magnitude, various site-tosource distance measures, type of faulting, local site conditions at the recording stations, and other relevant engineering parameters.

	Α	В	С	AV	AW	AX	AY	AZ
1	Record Sequence Number	EQID	Earthquake Name	EpiD (km)	HypD (km)	Joyner-Boore Dist. (km)	Campbell R Dist. (km)	RmsD (km) (
737	736	0118	Loma Prieta	61.49	63.92	40.85	-999	59.53
738	737	0118	Loma Prieta	40.12	43.76	24.27	-999	39.18
739	738	0118	Loma Prieta	90.77	92.43	70.9	-999	89.24
740	739	0118	Loma Prieta	26.57	31.81	19.9	-999	28.64
741	740	0118	Loma Prieta	26.57	31.81	19.9	-999	28.64
742	741	0118	Loma Prieta	9.01	19.66	3.85	-999	17.46
743	742	0118	Loma Prieta	81.15	83.02	61.15	-999	79.97
744	743	0118	Loma Prieta	86.90	88.64	66.89	-999	85.82
745	744	0118	Loma Prieta	70.71	72.84	50.71	-999	69.24

Screenshot from the NGA-West Flatfile



# How Did PEER Develop the Ground Motion Databases?

- 4. PEER created the online database making all information publicly available.
- 5. Various enhancements to the database have been made over the years.



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#### New NGA-West 2 Ground Motion Database

The new NGA-West 2 Database B is larger than the old database by a factor of six, and also new features have been added to the new online tool.

The Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research Center (PEER) ground motion database includes a very large set of ground motions recorded worldwide of shallow crustal earthquakes in active tectonic regimes. The database has one of the most comprehensive sets of metadata, including different distance measures, various site characterizations, and earthquake source data.

#### https://peer.berkeley.edu/peer-strong-ground-motion-databases



## Key Requirements of a Successful Database

- ✓ Proper maintenance
- ✓ Effective web interface with well-defined search options
- $\checkmark$  Procedure to expand the database with new data
- ✓ Scalability, e.g., server with sufficient storage, etc.





## **PEER Ground Motion Databases**

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D5-95(sec)	:		min,max	0.01 -	
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Max No. Records	:		(<=100)	Period (sec)	

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# Synthetic Ground Motion Database

**PEER Strong Ground Motion Databases** 

#### New NGA-East Ground Motion Database

The NGA-East database and constitutes the largest database of processed recorded ground motions in Stable Continental Regions (SRCs). It was developed as part of a large multi-disciplinary research project coordinated by PEER. The NGA-East database includes the two- and three-component ground-motion recordings from numerous selected events (M > 2.5, distances up to 1500 km) recorded in the Central and Eastern North America (CENA) region since 1988. The database contains over 29,000 records from 81 earthquake events and 1379 recording stations. The database includes time series and pseudo-spectral acceleration (PSA) for the 5%-damped elastic oscillators with periods ranging from 0.01 to 10 sec. Additionally, the NGA-East database includes Fourier amplitude spectral (FAS) of the processed ground motions.

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# Engaging the Earthquake Engineering Community

#### ➤ <u>Value Proposition of PEER</u>:

- Earthquake Engineering Center with 11 core institutions, 9 educational affiliates and 150+ faculty and many researcher/students
- Developing and advancing PBEE Framework; Culture of developing and maintaining enabling technology tools (e.g., OpenSees & NGA databases)
- □ Active connections to the Earthquake Engineering profession (**BIP**) in CA, other states, and internationally
- PEER hosting & maintaining the database add an important value to the broader use and impact of the synthetic motions.
- PEER can facilitate use of synthetic motions in transportation & other systems research and provide links to OpenSees and other tools (SimCenter, SoilQuake, etc.) & databases (NGA, NGL, Ø-Net, etc.).
- Addition of the synthetic GM database is a <u>timely opportunity</u> to engage the Earthquake Engineering community.
- > Leveraging DOE resources will benefit the PEER community at large.



# Engaging the Earthquake Engineering Community

- > Database interface is planned to include a feedback feature.
- Engineers & researchers are to provide feedback on the database & its uses and to suggest improvements.
- > Feedback publicly posted & monthly considered in website updates.
- The Earthquake Engineering community input will facilitate design standard guidance for synthetic motions & realize their benefits.

	PEER Ground Motion Database Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research Center				
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Welcome to the PEER Ground Motion Database					
The web-based Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research Center (PEER) ground motion database provides tools for searching, selecting and downloading ground motion data.					
ALL downloaded records are UNSCALED and as-recorded (UNROTATED). The scaling tool available on this site is to be used to determine the scale factors to be used in the simulation platform. These scale factors can be found with the record metadata in the download (Scaling the traces within this tool would only cause confusion with file versioning).					
Please note that, due to copyright issues, a strict limit has been imposed on the number of records that can be downloaded within a unique time window. The current limit is set at approximately 200 records every two weeks, 400 every month. Abusive downloads will result in further restrictions.					
The database and web site are periodically updated and expanded. Comments on the features of this web site are gratefully welcome; please send emails to: peer_center@berkeley.edu					





- ASCE 7-16 requires a minimum of 11 ground motion time histories for each target spectrum.
- ASCE 7-16 Section 16.2.2: "Where the required number of recorded ground motions is not available, it shall be permitted to supplement the available records with simulated ground motions."

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 $\succ$  A minimum of 11 ground motions are required for dynamic analysis.

- > In PBEE, large number of GMs are needed to:
  - Quantify the uncertainty in structural/foundation response
  - Estimate probability of collapse





p(C|IM) = # of GMs causing collapse/total # of GMs or shaded area  $\bigstar$ 



#### Kernel Density Maximum Entropy Method in PBEE

In probabilistic PBEE method, good estimation of distribution is required

> Kernel Density Maximum Entropy Method

$$f_{KD}(x, \mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} p_i f_X^{(i)}(x)$$

> Obtain  $p^*$  by solving maximum entropy problem



where  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}^{M}$  is a set of fractional powers



#### Kernel Density Maximum Entropy Method in PBEE

Example: Steel Moment-Resisting Frame Buildings Design Optimization

- > Solve the maximum entropy problem with EDP data for each set of fractional powers,  $\alpha$ .
- Find the distribution maximizing entropy among the solutions.







# <u>Transition to Practice</u>: Advantages of the Synthetic Motion Database

- Availability of subsurface motions: Recorded GMs are generally at the surface with limited number of geotechnical arrays (typically hard to maintain);
- Realistic GM input to long span structures having insufficient number of recorded motions for multi-support excitation inputs;
- Suitable for scenario-based regional-scale simulations;



# <u>Transition to Practice</u>: Advantages of the Synthetic Motion Database

- ➢ Recorded motions not available for significantly large earthquakes (NGA West2 database has records for  $M_w ≤ 7.9$ ) and in near-fault region (David McCallen, opening presentation).
- Synthetic motions can prevent problems with unrealistically scaled motions in GM selection (Roberto Paolucci, <u>Day 1</u>)





# Potential Uses for Engineering Research & Practice: Structural



- > <u>Floor Motions</u>: Nonstructural components
- > Comparisons: Structural response with recorded & synthetic motions

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# Potential Uses for Engineering Research & Practice: Geotechnical

Free Field vs Motions at the Base of the Structure: Identify needs for SFSI (Soil-Foundation-Structure Interaction) modeling







- Bedrock Motions: Use in complete SFSI modeling
- Subsurface Synthetic Motions vs Geotechnical Arrays: Characterize soil layers
- Synthetic Motions Coupling: With liquefaction (e.g., NGL), landslide analysis, etc.

Courtesy of David McCallen



# Potential Uses for Engineering Research & Practice: **Regional Sim.**

- Coupling Synthetic Motions with Generic Fragilities: Scenario-based loss & consequence simulations
- Identification of Weakest Links of a System: Infrastructure networks to be retrofitted or need for further detailed analysis
- Machine Learning Using Results of Many Simulations: Potential updating of ShakeAlert location & magnitude estimations for Earthquake Early Warning (EEW)











Thank you! Questions?

