Utah Ground-Shaking Working Group

INTRODUCTION



Annual Meeting #7 11 February 2009

2004 GSWG Plan

- Develop a community velocity model (CVM)
 - V_s30, R1, R2
- Evaluate seismic source and propagation path characteristics of Utah earthquakes, and site amplification and geotechnical characteristics of Utah soils
 - Stress drops, slip distributions, rupture processes
 - Hanging wall effects and directivity
 - Q and kappa
 - Non-linear dynamic soil properties

2004 GSWG Plan (cont.)

- Perform 3D modeling using CVM to evaluate the importance of basin structure on strong ground motions
 - Depth to R2, basin-edge/steep boundary effects
- Prepare large-scale Wasatch Front groundshaking maps
 - Incorporate site conditions and basin effects

Results of 2008 Meeting: Priorities for 2009 Research

- Coordinate 2009 Working Group meetings with EERI Annual Meeting in SLC in February
- Update CVM with revised site-conditions units and USGS shallow to intermediate-depth data when it becomes available
- Expand CVM to include basins to west (Tooele and Rush Valleys)
- Form working sub-groups to use the validated CVM to develop near-surface site-amplification and basin models
- Transfer CVM to UGS, USGS, and users.

Goals of the 2009 Meeting

- Present results of 2008 research
- Discuss progress on CVM refinement
- Give updates on on-going projects summarized in previous meetings

Goals of the 2009 Meeting (cont.)

- Finalize plans to prepare Wasatch Front urban seismic hazard maps
 - Characterize earthquake sources
 - Develop site-amplification and basin models
 - Prepare maps
- Identify 2010 research priorities

2009 Schedule for Preparing Maps

- Validate the CVM (Magistrale, Olsen, Pechmann)
- Propose site-amplification modeling for 2010 NEHRP (Wong, others)
- Perform basin modeling
- Begin urban hazard map development

Agenda

12:00 Lunch (provided)

1:00 Introduction, overview of meeting, USGS-UGS cooperative agreement, review of last year's priorities

Technical presentations

- 1:20 1:35 Ivan Wong, URS; update on NEHRP grant "Inversion for source, path, and site parameters from the Wasatch Front ANSS data."
- 1:35 1:45 Harold Magistrale, SDSU; Update on modifications to CVM and proposal to expand/update CVM and evaluate V_P/V_S ratios and R2 to R3 gradient.
- 1:45 2:15 Kris Pankow, UUSS and Mark Petersen, USGS; Results from 2008 **M** 6.0 Wells, NV earthquake; ground motions/site-amplification in SLV; near-source data applicability to other (WF) basins.
- 2:15 3:15 Kim Olsen and Daniel Roton, SDSU; Presentation and discussion of Wasatch Front community velocity model (CVM) validation; preliminary 1 Hz 3-dimensional M 7.0 scenario ground motion maps.

3:15 Break

- 3:30 Mark Petersen, USGS; USGS perspective of Wasatch Front urban hazard maps
 - Group discussion; Dynamic modeling results, comparison of models, direction of modeling, priorities for future research

5:00 Adjourn

USGS NEHRP Grant "Analyses of Earthquake Source, Path, and Site Parameters From ANSS Data Along the Wasatch Front, Utah"



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- Objective: To evaluate the critical factors that control ground shaking hazard along the Wasatch Front: stress drop, kappa, crustal attenuation, and site amplification.
- Some previous studies have suggested that ground motions in an extensional regime such as the Basin and Range Province may be lower than in California for the same magnitude and distance.
- The inference was that this difference may be due to the lower stress drops of extensional earthquakes compared to compressional earthquakes as first suggested by McGarr (1984).

Background

- No systematic evaluation of earthquake stress drops has been performed for earthquakes along the Wasatch Front.
- No studies have been performed to evaluate the variability in kappa in the central Wasatch Front.
 Kappa can have a very significant effect on highfrequency ground motions with lower values of kappa resulting in larger high-frequency ground motions.
- Only a few studies to estimate Q(f) for the Wasatch Front (Brockman and Bollinger, 1992; Jeon and Herrmann, 2004) have been performed.



- To analyze the available strong motion and broadband data from ANSS stations in the central Wasatch Front region for stress drop, kappa, and Q(f).
- The approach uses an inversion scheme developed by Walt Silva. In the inversion scheme, earthquake source, path and site parameters are obtained by using a nonlinear least-squares inversion of Fourier amplitude spectra.

Earthquakes Being Evaluated



Earthquakes to be Analyzed

- Total of 15 events
- Period: May 2001 to February 2008
- Magnitude Range: **M** 3.0 to 4.2
- Number of stations recording events: 18 to 68

Scope of Work

- Steps involved in analyses are:
 - 1) windowing and calculation of Fourier amplitude spectra of each of the recordings;
 - inversion of the recordings for each earthquake for stress drop, kappa plus a frequency-independent amplification factor for rock sites, and Q(f); and
 - 3) evaluation of the results.





Proposed work

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from Radkins et al. 1989

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February 21, 2008 Wells Earthquake



Time: 6:16:02 am PST Location: 41.153°N 114.867°W 6.7 km 10 km ENE of Wells, Nevada 245 km W of Salt Lake City, UT Magnitude: Mw 6.0

Focal Mechanism:





Map of aftershocks as of: 04/01/2008 12:05:44 PM

USGS ShakeMap : NEVADA Thu Feb 21, 2008 14:16:05 GMT M 6.0 N41.15 W114.87 Depth: 10.0km ID:2008nsa9



UUSS ShakeMap for event: 1000012294 Thu Feb 21, 2008 07:16:02 AM MST_M 6.0_N41.11 W114.86_Depth: 6.5km_ID:1000012294



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2001 Magna Earthquake

UUSS ShakeMap for event: 01070813552

2008 Wells, NV Earthquake



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Peak Ground Motions PGA (%g) PGV (cm/s)





-112°



Adapted from Bay, J., F.X. Ashland and K.L. Pankow (2004). Shallow shear wave velocity profiling of poorly characterized earthquake site response units in urban Salt Lake Valley, NEI-IRP Final Technical Report.

Ashland, F.X. and G.N. McDonald (2003). Interim map showing sheer-wave-velocity characteristics of engineering geologic units in the Salt Lake City, Utah, metropolitan area, Utah Geological Survey, Open-File Report 424, 44pp.

Site Response Map

Maximum PGA

PGA (%g)

Corrected



-112°

Maximum PGV

PGV cm/s)

Corrected



-112°

-112°

Instrument Deployment











Presentation and discussion of Wasatch Front community velocity model (CVM) validation

Preliminary 1Hz 3-dimensional M7.0 scenario ground motion maps



Outline

- Review of WFCVM validation
- Generation of a 3-D model of the Wasatch fault
- M7 rupture models
 - Pseudo-dynamic rupture models
 - Dynamic rupture models
 - Method for projecting planar rupture models onto irregular WF
- Results of 0-1 Hz 3-D FD simulations
 - PGVs and SAs obtained from dynamic and pseudo-dynamic rupture models
 - Synthetic seismograms at selected sites
 - Average 1s-SAs compared to Solomon et al (2004) and empirical attenuation models
 - **Generation of broadband (0-10 Hz) synthetics**
 - Method
 - Results SAs and synthetic seismograms at selected sites
- Conclusions
Validation Events

 $\begin{array}{l} M_L \ 3.32 \ Magna \ 010708, \ depth = 11.6 \ km \\ M_W \ 3.66 \ Tremonton \ 070901, \ depth = 9 \ km \\ M_L \ 3.30 \ Lehi \ 010524, \ depth = 8.9 \ km \end{array}$



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2.6e-04

5.3e-05

1.4e-04

1.7e-04

3.1e-05

5.5e-05

4.8e-06



• Striking misfit of waveform amplitudes at stations close to hypocenter • Source mechanism wrong?





50 sec

recorded simulated

Momemt tensor (MT) inversion of Magna event

- 4 stations ICF, NOQ, SCC, UUE (seismic gap of > 180°)
- Green's function computed from 1-D column extracted from WFCVM below respective station
- Topography included by adjusting depth
- Frequency band from 0.5 to 1.0 Hz
- MT inversion code by Dreger (2003)





Observed (**green**) and synthetic (black) waveforms obtained from convolution of 2-D Green's functions with mechanism from MT inversion Observed (green) and synthetic (black) waveforms obtained from convolution of 2-D Green's functions with firstmotion source mechanism



First-motion plot from Magna event



Source mechanism obtained from MT inversion must be rejected from first-motion data

So why does the forward computation with the mechanism from the MTinversion yield a better waveform fit?

Observed (**green**) and synthetic (black) waveforms obtained from convolution of 2-D Green's functions with mechanism from first-motion, but using M_w=3.6



ncreasing M _w from 3.3 to 3.6 does
significantly improve the fit,
especially at close-range stations

Overestimation of amplitude at more distant rock site CTU

Similar results found for Lehi event, where MT inversion yields M_w=3.6 (M_L=3.3)

Review of Magna event



Generation of a 3-D Model of the Wasatch Fault





- Tearfault connecting Warm Springs segment and East Bench segment of the WF
- Redefinition of fault and basins in this area

Generation of a 3-D Model of the Wasatch Fault



M7 Rupture Scenarios

We use two different approaches to create rupture models on a planar fault:

Pseudo-dynamic (PD) rupture models

•Kinematic models which emulate important characteristics of dynamic rupture

(Guatteri M, Mai M. and Beroza, G., 2004. *A Pseudo-Dynamic Approximation to Dynamic Rupture Models for Strong Ground Motion Prediction*, BSSA, **94** (6), 2051–2063)

Spontaneous rupture simulations

•Finite difference method is used to simulate the dynamic rupture process based on mechanical models of friction and stress drop on the fault

(Dalguer, L. A., and S. M. Day, 2007. *Staggered-grid split-node method for spontaneous rupture simulation*, J. Geophys. Res. 112, B02302, doi 10.1029/2006JB004467.)

Pseudo-dynamic rupture models



Two scenarios with identical final slip, but different hypocenter



- Generation of a slip distribution as a spatially random field, spatial variability and scaling consistent with previous earthquakes
- Static stress drop associated with slip distribution is computed
 Temporal evolution of slip is estimated through empirical
- relationships derived from spontaneous rupture models
- 4 parameters describing source-velocity function (SVF)
 on each source node:
- V_{max}: maximum slip velocity
- In t₀: rupture time
- T_p: pulse length
- Tr: rise time



Dynamic Rupture Models

Frictional Parameters and Pre-stress Conditions Design Procedure



Static Rupture Simulation FDM (WFCVM) Slip Scaling with Peak Slip Constraints at the FS Kinematic Rupture Simulation FDM (WFCVM)

Properties of Our Dynamic Rupture Models

<u>Mechanical</u> (depth dependent material yielding)

<u>Seismological</u> (multi-scale seismic complexity)

Geological (match expected peak slip at the free surface)

Dynamic Rupture Models

VK3b

Slip (m)

(km) Z (km)

15

20





15

0.4

0.8

Slip (m)



Nucleation in fault center, rupture towards north and south

15

1.2

0.8

20

X (km)

1.6

25

2.0

30

35

2.8

2.4

Nucleation in northern part, rupture towards the south

1.2 Nucleation in southern part, rupture towards the north

20 X (km)

1.6

25

2.0

40

2.8

35

2.4



Projecting the Planar Rupture Models onto Irregular WF

Polar grid with origin in hypocenter on planar fault



Rupture velocity as fraction of V_s



Vr / Vs (%) 76.0 84.0 92.0 100. 108. subshear subshear forbidden supershear





Results - Dynamic Scenario VK3b



Horizontal peak ground velocity

Horizontal peak spectral acceleration at 2 seconds (2s-SAs)

Results - Dynamic Scenarios VK5b / VK5d



Horizontal peak ground velocity

Results - Dynamic Scenarios VK5b / VK5d



3s-SAs (both horizontal components)

VK5b (rupture from north to south)

VK5d (rupture from north to south)

Results - Dynamic Scenarios VK5b / VK5d



Results - Pseudo-Dynamic Scenarios



Results - Pseudo-Dynamic Scenarios



Results - Pseudo-Dynamic Scenarios



Results - Time Series at Selected Sites



Results - Preliminary Average 1s-SAs



Average 1s-SAs from dynamic scenario VK5d and both PD scenarios



Comparison of Average 1s-SAs with Empirical Attenuation Models





Near-source broadband ground motions: combining LF-FD synthetics with HF scattering operators



Generation of LF synthetics:

• 3D low-frequency soil structure effects (3D FD simulation)

Arbitrary 3D velocity structure Arbitrarily complex finite-fault source functions Full wavefield



Generation of Scatterograms:

Site-specific scattering operators are calculated (for each component of motion) using the multiple-scattering theory by Zeng et al (1991, 1993) (and their code).

Scattering parameters (scattering and attenuation coefficient, site kappa, intrinsic attenuation) are taken from the literature and are partly based on the site-specific velocity structure.

Assuming scattering operators originate throughout the fault, but starts at the hypocenter

3D FD raytracing to estimate direct P and S travel times.





) 20 40 60 Time (sec)



The site-specific scattering Green's functions are convolved with dynamically-consistent source-time functions





LF and HF synthetics are then combined into broadband seismograms in the frequency domain using a *simultaneous amplitude and phase matching algorithm* (Mai and Beroza, 2003).









Preliminary BB Time Series

Based on long-period (0-1Hz) ground motion obtained from pseudo-dynamic scenario PDS1h0 (rupture from north to south)



Preliminary SAs from BB Ground Motions



Preliminary SAs from BB Ground Motions



0.5s-SAs from BB Ground Motions (60x45 nodes)

0.2s-SAs from BB Ground Motions (60x45 nodes)

Conclusions

Validation events:

Fit between observations and synthetics can be improved by increasing M_w from 3.3 to 3.6 for the Magna and Lehi events.

M7 scenario earthquakes

- The simulated ground motions (for example, 2s-SAs) include strong directivity effects (e.g., larger ground motions in the southern part of the Salt Lake Valley for rupture nucleation toward the north of the SLC segment of the WF, and vice versa).
- Ground motions derived from dynamic rupture models yield lower ground motion than the pseudo-dynamic events.
- Compared to the average 1s-SAs by Solomon et al. (2004) the 1s-SAs computed from three of our scenarios are comparable at some near-fault and deep-basin locations, but smaller by a factor of 2 or more at other locations.
- 1s-SAs derived from the M7 scenario earthquakes generally within 16% POE and 84% POE predicted by empirical attenuation relationships (C&B008, B&A008).
- 1s-SAs estimated from Solomon et al (2004) tend to be larger than 84% POE for C&B08, B&A08 for D_rup >~ 4 km. Why is that?

USGS PERSPECTIVES ON SALT LAKE CITY URBAN HAZARD MAPS

Source models Community velocity model Test case 3-d Simulations Nonlinear site response Development of maps

Source models

- What sources should we consider? SLC and Provo Segments?
- Dynamic rupture model (2 surface points, dip, width, magnitude of earthquake)
- Kinematic rupture (NSHMP trace, dip 55, width 18 km, M 7.0)



REVIEW OF COMMUNITY VELOCITY MODEL

Do we need a formal review? Is the validation exercise complete? Where is the model inadequate?








VS in a SW-NE X-Section through Santa Clara Valley, CA



Test case (proposed)

- Kinematic rupture define the source, slip function, rupture timing
- NSHMP fault plane
- Slip distribution (Zeng)
- Slip function (Brune, Graves triangular, Liu beta function)
- Rupture velocity = 2.5 km/s
- Hypocenter North SLC segment rupture to south
- M 7.0
- Dip 55 degrees
- Depth 18
- Rake normal

Slip on fault – generated by Zeng



Calculation grid

- Calculate for sites in Salt Lake County?
- Calculate for sites in Utah County?
- Calculate for sites in Weber/Davis?

3-d Simulations

- Olsen and Pechmann (dynamic and kinematic)
- Archuleta and Smith (dynamic and kinematic)
- USGS Harmsen, Stephenson, Zeng, Hartzell, Petersen, Leo Ramirez-Guzman (finite element)
- Other?

3-d Simulations

- What parameters should we constrain?
 - Fault geometry
 - Magnitude
 - Rupture velocity (do we want supershear ruptures?)
 - Slip distribution
 - High frequency component
- How do we incorporate dynamic models?

Non-linear amplification

- Methods fully linear, equivalent linear?
- Modulus and Damping curves

Development of urban hazard maps

- Do we need a workshop to decide how to weight models?
- What products do we want to produce?