Back to the drawing board: Engineering and planning to manage risk

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Standards

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Location & Environment







Turks and Caicos Islands: Hurricane Ike, 2008





Turks and Caicos Islands: Regulatory framework



Documents do not exist/expired

Documents exist but need updating

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Building Guidelines



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Building Standards (codes) are only effective if:

- They are up to date
- They incorporate current understanding and perceptions of risk
- They are part of a regulatory framework and are enforced
- They reflect local forms of construction
- They are easy to use
- They are part of a wider culture of safety and environment concerns which includes education and training





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- 1. Self certification
- 2. Review consultants
- 3. Skills audit





- 1. Registering designers
- 2. Building guidelines





Specific Hazards





e.g. Timber Design







Performance

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Special structures 1: Irreplaceable cultural heritage

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Special structures 2: Large indirect cost of downtime

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Beyond individual building performance

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Engineering toolkit 1: Performance based approach

D3PLOT: Nonlinear BRB's - Liquefaction



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Engineering toolkit 2: REDi framework

For achieving 'beyond-code' resilience objectives.





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Casualties

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Annual death rates from earthquakes



Annual rates of earthquake deaths since 1900

Earthquake death rates: High HDI countries



The last decade witnessed the highest annual death rate for the last 100 years.

Allowing for population growth, in the richer countries the death rate has been sharply reduced... Earthquake death rates: Low + Med HDI countries



But in the poorer countries, there is no evidence of any sustained progress.



Megacities at risk from earthquakes in Asia

The first "million-death earthquake" could occur in one of these



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Cause of casualties



Most casualties arise from collapse of buildings...

...though as in Japan 2011 and Aceh 2004, tsunamis can be the main killer in some events.



Earthquakes: Modelling human casualties

Factors affecting casualty rates and their interaction





Factors affecting casualties: building vulnerability Reinforced concrete frame



Lethality rate for collapsed buildings: about 15-30%

Golcuk: Kocaeli earthquake 1999 Intensity x High collapse rate: casualty rate about 20% Bhuj: Gujurat earthquake 2001 Intensity x Moderate collapse rate: casualty rate ?



Factors affecting casualties: evasive action

- Mixed and unreliable evidence
- Depends heavily on type of building
- Pattern of earthquake shaking









Factors affecting casualties: search and rescue

Search and rescue activity can make a considerable contribution to reducing death tolls, but depends on:

- Capacity and training of local teams
- Accessibility of the affected areas for rescuers
- The types of buildings affected and void spaces created by collapse pattern
- Availability of emergency treatment facilities
- Death tolls are hardly affected by well-publicised international team

Reinforced Concrete Collapse



Slab and deep-beam construction may create voids for survival.



Stronger structural elements, service cores, shear walls etc., may also support collapsed elements to create voids.



Strong furniture, e.g. steel-cased appliances may resist building collapse pressures.



Structural resilience in failed members may also provide sufficient support to maintain thin survival spaces.



Real-time casualty estimation alert: existing systems

WAPMERR: Uses USGS or GFZ source parameters

Gives: Min/max deaths Min/max seriously injured Map of expected damage by town



USGS-PAGER: Uses USGS source parameters

Gives: Shakemap of intensity Probability distribution of fatalities Probability distribution of economic losses







1. Improving codes of practice for design of new buildings

Earthquake Fully Near **Probablity** Operational Operational Life Safe Collapse Unacceptable Frequent Performance Pasic Lacilities Occasional fisseniiallikatatoous facilities Safety Critical Facilities Rare Very Rare

Performance Objective

After SEAOC, 2000



- 1. Improving codes of practice for design of new buildings
- 2. Improving building control



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Shear wall strengthening, Bolu, 2000



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Modelling the behaviour of people

















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