Next generation of Structure Health Monitoring

Real-time structural health monitoring

SHARD is a web based application to monitor the structural health. PSAs calculated in real-time are compared with response spectra given in design codes as the EC, NEHRP or DIN codes. Exceedance is checked and warning incidents are issued. In addition to the spectral comparison also data quality as delay and variance is tracked and quality incidence are generated. The build in incident browser allows a quick and easy access to incident history showing data quality, exceedance and earthquake occurrence. Incidents are displayed in a so called heat map giving an instant overview.

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FEATURES

• Real-time calculation of response spectra
• Monitoring of response spectra exceedance
• Quality and exceedance incident browser
• Connectivity to earthquake report service
• Earthquake report generation
• Multi structure support
• Web based application
Status information

The map and the picture on the left side of SHARD show building and sensor locations and status. The table on the lower left side gives information on incidents like data quality problem, reference spectrum exceedance or PGA exceedance. On top latest earthquake and expected arrival time at the structure is shown.

Real-time PSA exceedance

Response spectra with 5% damping are calculated in real-time and compared with spectra derived from national design codes as for example EC8 or IBC2000. Any other building code can be implemented. In addition FFT-spectra and waveforms are shown. Incidents are generated in case of spectral or threshold exceedance.

Incident heat map

The incident heat map gives an instant overview to the occurrence history of earthquakes, exceedances and data quality. The intensity of the color correlates with the number of incidents in the time interval. The higher the number of incidents the higher the intensity of the color.

TECHNOLOGY

gempa GmbH offers a strong motion processing package fulfilling the task of real-time structural health monitoring as well as offline analysis. While SHARD is performing the real-time structural health monitoring the strong motion processing package is complemented by the following modules:
- CAPS
- SMGUI
- QuakeLink

CAPS is a multi format acquisition server allowing to import data not only of seismic sensor, but also of temperature, video and other sensors. SMGUI is a GUI to perform offline processing of strong motion data for engineering seismology.

SMGUI allows to calculate common earthquake engineering parameters like:
- Root-mean-square (RMS) of acc., vel. and dis.
- Arias (Ia) and characteristic (Ic) intensities
- Cumulative Absolute Velocity (CAV)
- Specific Energy Density (SED)
- Effective design acceleration (EDA)
- Predominant (Tp) and mean (Tm) periods
- Response spectra

SHARD also comes with an earthquake reporting engine giving the most important earthquake engineering parameter including waveforms and response spectra plots.