# **TS Webinar Series:**

# **Fatality Risk Assessment**

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### **Motivation**

"Risk-informed" approach for developing the acceleration spectra



- risk is not the primary driver in developing the spectra, S<sub>a</sub>(T)
  - assessed as a secondary step to test the risk tolerability
- risk is variable across buildings, informed by many things not just S<sub>a</sub>(T)
  - not possible to select a strict risk value to target for all buildings

SRWG preliminarily selected a 1/500 annual probability of exceedance (APoE) for ULS, then checked whether the distribution of fatality risk was tolerable.

## Fatality risk tolerability

#### Metric: annual individual fatality risk, AIFR



- Risk distribution across all potential code-conforming buildings
  - Should roughly fall between 10<sup>-6</sup> and 10<sup>-5</sup>
  - Majority should be well below 10<sup>-5</sup>

#### **Risk assessment methodology**

#### Risk assessment



## Quantifying the shaking hazard

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## Quantifying the building performance

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## **Risk calculation**



# Linking fatalities to building performance

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Majority of building-related deaths and serious injuries are caused by structural collapse (Horspool et al. 2020)

building performance limit state = collapse

Rate of fatality given collapse

- Variable, depending on type of collapse
- Often taken as P(fatality|collapse)=10% (e.g. Silva et al. 2016, Horspool et al. 2023)
  annual collapse risk of 5x10<sup>-5</sup> becomes AIFR of 5x10<sup>-6</sup>

### Including variability in building performance

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# Computing fatality risk for all buildings

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\* Figures are not to scale

#### **Fatality risk distribution**

- Expected distribution of risk among code-conforming buildings
  - Less than 10% extends beyond 1x10<sup>-5</sup>
  - Majority is below 0.5x10<sup>-5</sup>



T = 1.5 seconds V<sub>s30</sub> = 400 m/s

S<sub>a</sub>(T) for ULS: annual probability of exceedance of 1/500

#### Fatality risk by location



- T = 1.5 seconds
- Vs30 = 400 m/s
- S<sub>a</sub>(T): uniform hazard for an annual probability of exceedance of 1/500
- Auckland uses the APoE of 1/500 from the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile hazard (lower bound that controls in lower hazard)

#### Conclusion

- Risk is assessed/evaluated after the preliminary  $S_a(T)$  development.
- Risk computation includes hazard, building collapse performance, and the likelihood of fatality given collapse
- Risk distribution considers a range of risk across code-conforming buildings
- Majority of risk associated with the ULS Sa(T) is within 10<sup>-6</sup> to 10<sup>-5</sup>