

Seismic Hazard and Risk Assessment in Groningen

Symposium on seismicity induced by gas production from the Groningen Field

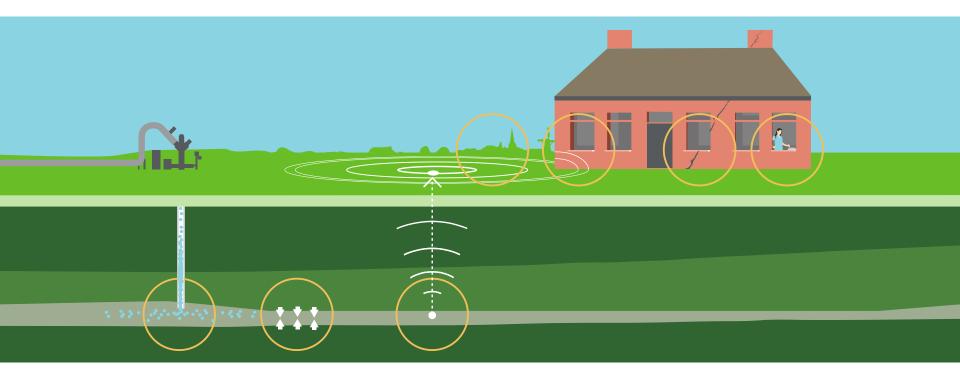
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Earthquake studies cover 7 themes



GAS PRODUCTION

COMPACTION

SEISMOLOGIC MODEL

GROUND MOTION PREDICTION

ND EXPOSURE

5 BUILDING STRENGTH

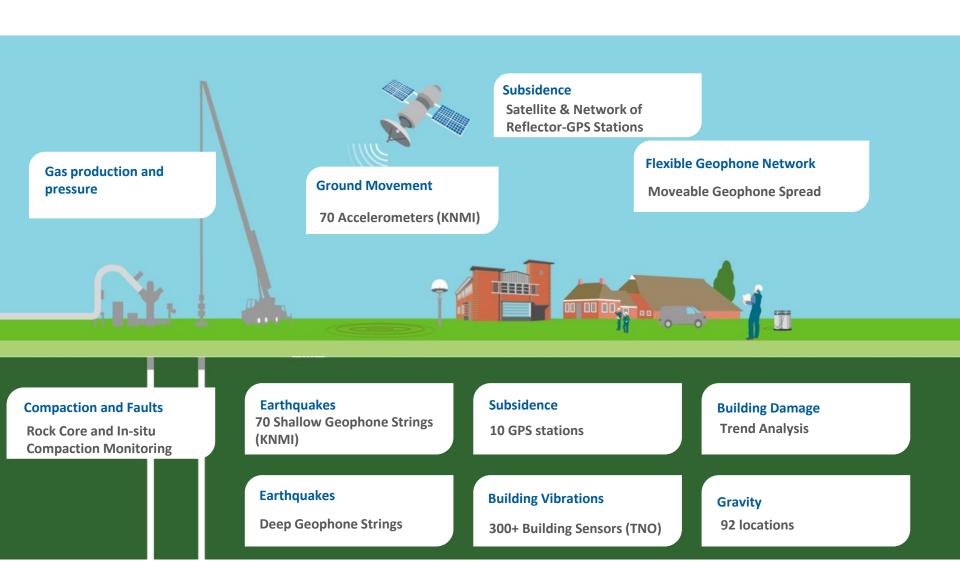


HAZARD

RISK



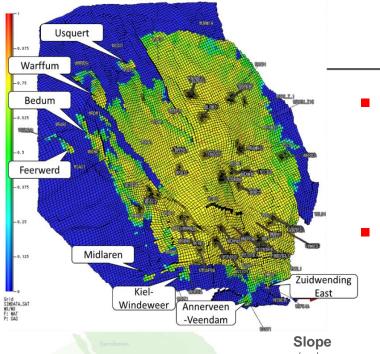
Field Measurements and Monitoring



Introduction Hazard and Risk Assessment

- The hazard- and risk assessment spans from cause (gas production) to effect (accidents, harm and building damage).
- The uncertainties in each step of the assessment are identified, estimated and consistently incorporated in the assessment.
- A traditional Probabilistic Seismic Hazard and Risk Framework is used (based on Cornell, 1968).
- Implementation is based on Monte Carlo Method (C- and Python Code)
- NAM has sought the assistance and advice of external experts from academia and knowledge institutes for each expertise area. Rigorous assurance processes are in place.
- Key is the collection of data in Groningen to prepare a hazard and risk assessment specific to the Groningen situation.

Gas Production



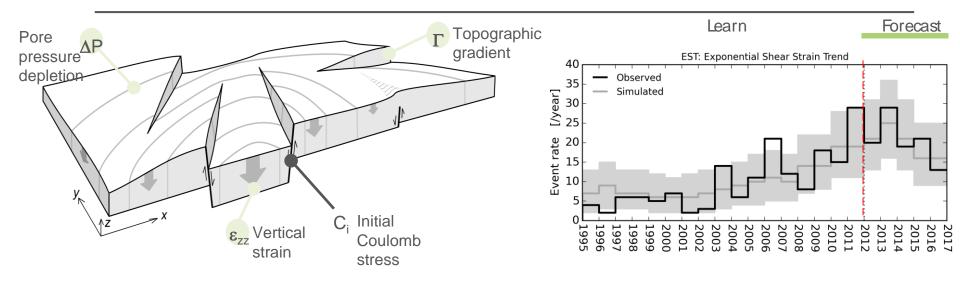
Slope
(scales clipped)

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- Detailed mapping of faults in the reservoir. This forms the basis of geomechanical studies into fault behaviour (e.g. University Utrecht).
 - Reservoir Model has been history matched using downhole pressure, converted closed-in THP, water-encroachment (PNL) and subsidence. Evaluated model performance against gravity survey data.
- Optimisation of the distribution of the gas production from the field to reduce seismicity.

Seismogenic Model



- Physics-based seismogenic models of increasing complexity have been evaluated using prospective testing.
- Theory of extreme threshold failures within a heterogeneous poro-elastic thin-sheet forecasts Groningen induced seismicity.
- Exponential shear strain trend with ETAS aftershocks.

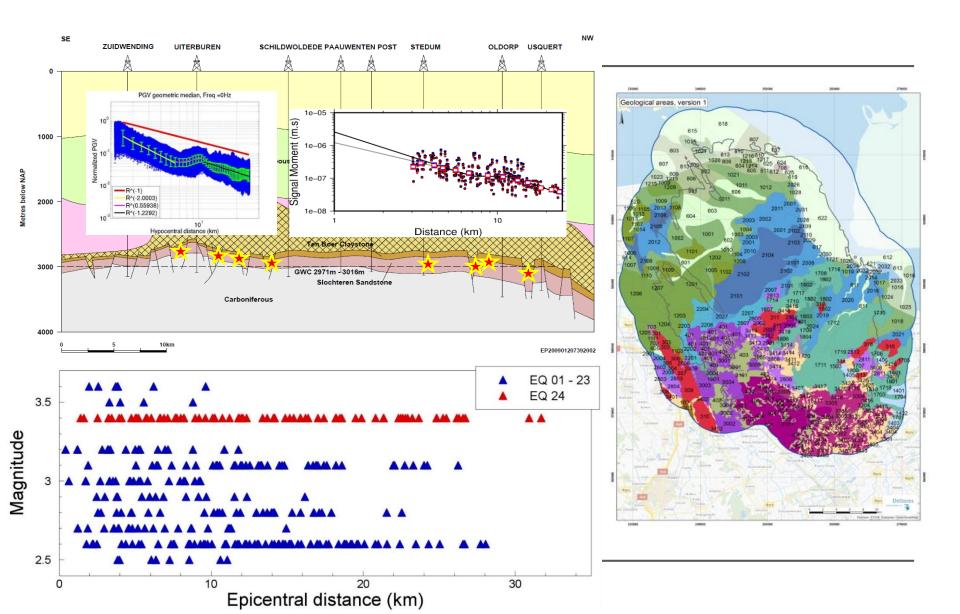


Ground Motion

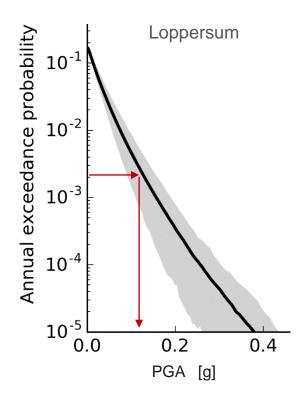
- Model to predict distributions—medians plus sigmas—of Sa(T), PGV and duration
 (DS5-75) as needed for risk assessments.
- Applicable from ML 2.5 to largest Mmax, accounting for finite rupture dimensions of larger events and epistemic uncertainty associated with extrapolation from smallmagnitude recordings.
- Model the variation of near-surface profiles across the field and the non-linear response of soft soil deposits.
- Model to reflect the unique velocity structure above the gas reservoir.
- Model to reflect source characteristics of Groningen earthquakes—and potential for larger stress drops for bigger event.

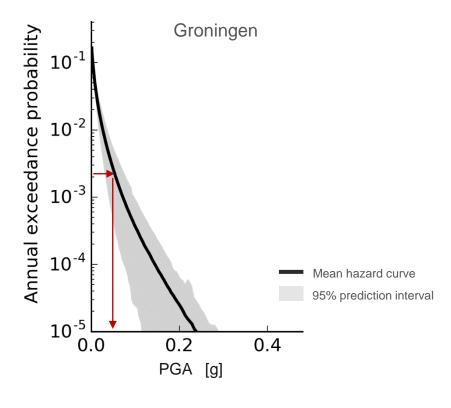


Ground Motion



Seismic Hazard Curves



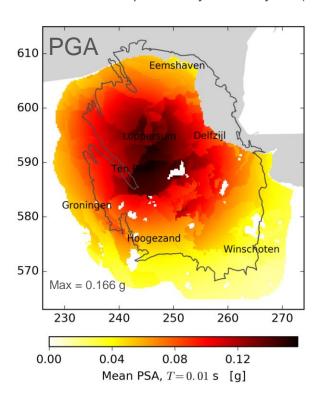


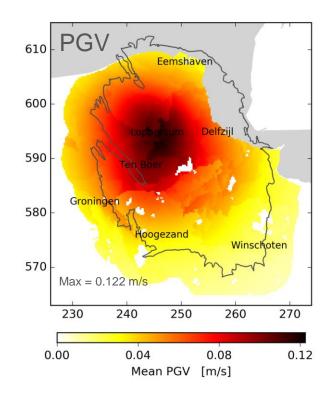
Seismic Hazard Maps

Assessment period: 1-1-2017 to 1-1-2022

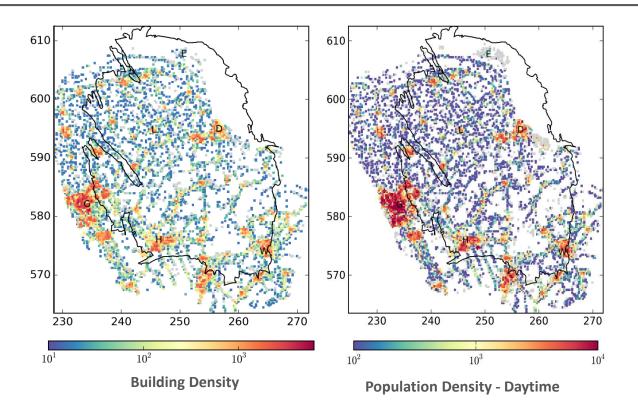
Production scenario: 24 bcm/year

Exceedance probability: 0.21%/year (Poisson return periods 475 year)





Exposure in Groningen



THE GEM (Global Earthquake Model) Taxonomy of Structural Systems is used to classify the buildings in Groningen into building typologies.

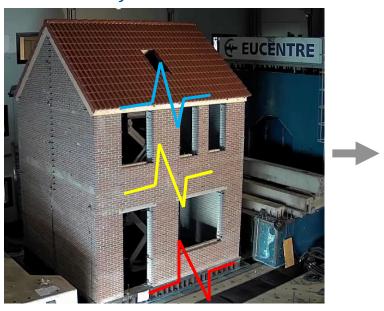


In-situ material characterisati on	13 URM houses 2 RC buildings
Lab material characterisation	≈ 200 test specimens (taken from actual houses)
Components testing	7 URM walls in-plane 8 RC precast connections (2-way) 3 URM walls OOP one-way 5 URM walls OOP two-way (damage)
Full-structure testing	2 URM houses (shake-table) 1 URM houses (damage, collapse) 2 URM structures (push-over) 1 roof + gables (damage, collapse) 1 roof (cyclic, collapse) 2 RC structures (cyclic, damage) 1 RC structures (shake-table)

- Seismic building response study program consists of:
 - In-situ testing
 - Building material testing in laboratory
 - Testing of small assemblages
 - Testing of walls
 - Testing of full Building Structures
- Partners in the program are:
 - Eucentre (Italy) and LNEC (Portugal)
 - ARUP
 - TU Delft and TU Eindhoven.
 - MOSAYK
- Experiments are designed to improve and calibrate the modelling of Building Response
- Rigorous pre- and post-diction approach



Eucentre, Italy



Floor Accelerogram input at LNEC

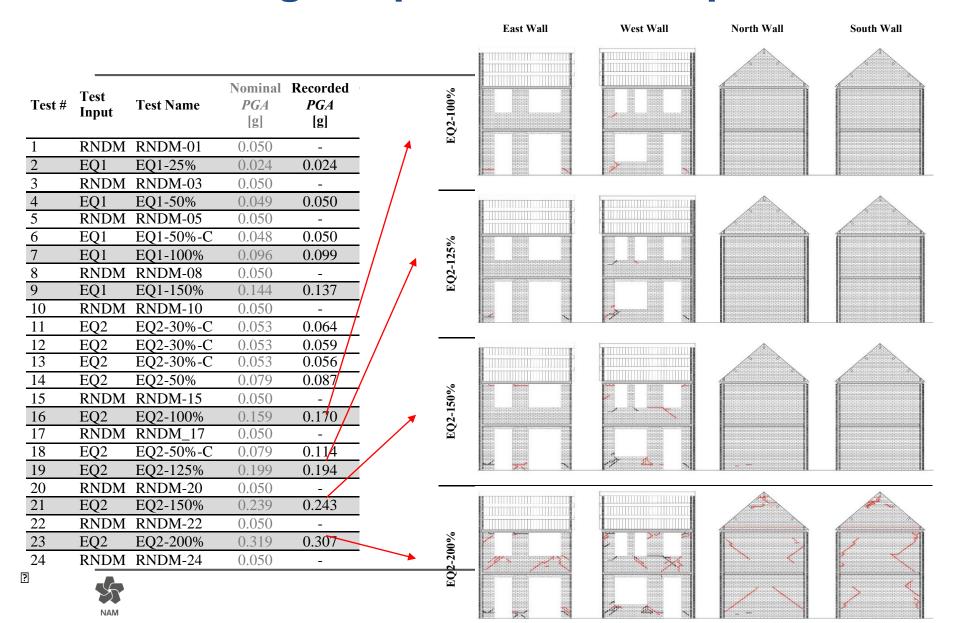
LNEC, Portugal



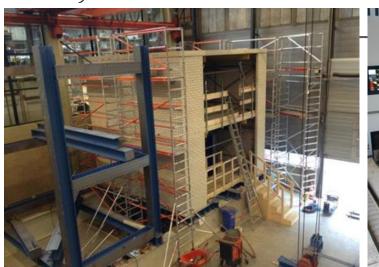








Masonry



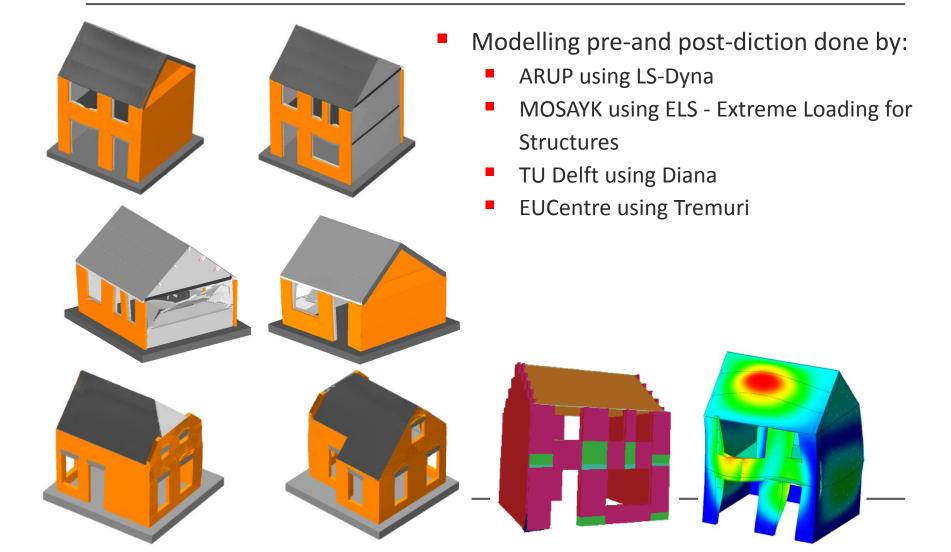


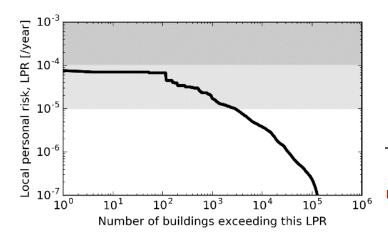


Concrete

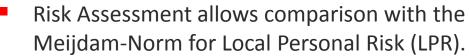




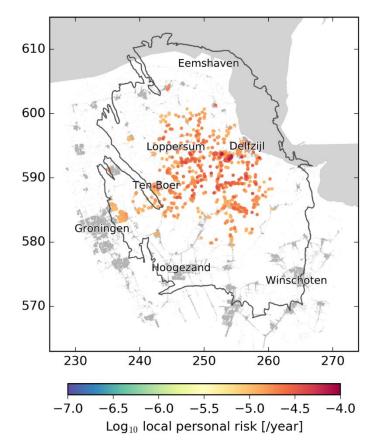




Seismic Risk



- No buildings are exposed to mean LPR > 10⁻⁴.
- Some 2,800 houses have 10⁻⁵<mean LPR<10⁻⁴.
- Structural Upgrading program will need to have larger scope than the probabilistic assessment of the number of buildings exceeding the threshold LPR.



Conclusions

- All reports (130) are published at the "onderzoeksrapporten" page of <u>www.nam.nl</u>. Together some 89,500 downloads (as at 1st February 2018).
- More than 40 papers have been published in respected peer-reviewed journals (SCImago Journal Ranking).
- All raw data is freely available for research¹.
- Rigorous Assurance processes are in place.
- Latest update:
 - Hazard, Building Damage and Risk Assessment November 2017 (currently 543 downloads).



