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Objectives

Abstract: Large-scale simulations play a crucial role in understanding earthquakes' multiscale nature and associated hazards. Traditional methods for generating artificial ground histories are limited in their ability to capture the intricate interactions during earthquakes, such as the seismic source, wave propagation paths, site-specific conditions, and the influence of built structures. Advanced computational tools and resources have facilitated simulations to enable a more comprehensive understanding of earthquake dynamics and their impacts. This talk explores diverse applications, focused on four areas: validation, use of earthquake simulations for risk assessment, utilization of simulations for in-situ testing, and full waveform inversion. These applications enhance our understanding of earthquakes and their effects and can contribute to developing strategies for seismic hazard mitigation and engineering design.



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