

Microzonation Study in the Hanoi, Vietnam

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Geology

- Surface geology is mostly sand and clay sedimentary of Holocene or Pleistocene
- The bottom of Holocene deposits is at the depth of 10 ~ 45 m
- The bottom of Pleistocene deposits that overly the Neogene deposits is at the depth of 45 (north) ~ 110 (south) m



Seismicity

• Red-River fault zone is the main tectonic activity of South East Asia region. The slip of the fault zone is right lateral with normal fault component. It caused the major tectonic features in northern Vietnam.



Works in this study

1st Phase (2008~2009):

- 75 single-station microtremor measurements
- ⇒ Site response of H/V spectral ratios
- 4 microtremor arrays
- ⇒ Near-surface shear-velocity model
- Simulations of H/V spectral ratios
- ⇒ Detail subsurface shear-velocity structure

2nd Phase (2012~2013):

- Dense microtremor survey
- ⇒ Total 700 single-station microtremor points
- ⇒ 4 more microtremor arrays
- Microzonation
- ⇒ Vs30 distribution
- ⇒ Seismic microzonation

Microtremor H/V Spectral Ratio (75 points of 1st phase)





Microtremor Array (4 arrays of 1st phase)





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Frequency-Wavenumber method (F-K) :

Total time length: 70min Window length: 1024, 2048, 4096 points Moving window: 200 points S array: 32m, 2.0~7.0 Hz L array: 64m, 0.5~4.0 Hz XL array: 96m, 0.5~2.0Hz (only for HA2)





Simulations of H/V Spectral Ratios

- Simulating the microtremor H/V spectra ratios to estimate the Vs model of the 75 points based on the theoretic SH-wave transfer function (Haskell, 1960)
- The initial 8-layer model was decided by the inversed models of the arrays in Hanoi. And the averaged Vs were used as the fixed Vs to estimated the thickness of each stratum













Vs30 Map of Hanoi

- All the H/V spectral ratios were simulated to estimate the Vs models and calculate the seismic site conditions (Vs30).
- Vs30 decreases from North to South in Hanoi
- The highest Vs30 is more than 300m/s in the northern part. The lowest Vs30 is less than 180 m/s in the southern part, including a part of the urban region.



Conclusions

- The dense microtremor surveys, including 700 single-station measurements and array measurements at 8 sites, have been conducted in Hanoi region.
- H/V spectral ratios in Hanoi region show an apparent dominant frequency between 0.8 and 2.0 Hz. It was proved that the apparent site amplification is dominated by the thicknesses of near-surface deposits.
- All the observed microtremor H/V spectral ratios were simulated to figure out the overall detail subsurface Vs structure in Hanoi region.
- According to the site characteristics and Vs structure, the seismic microzonation and Vs30 map of Hanoi were accomplished to provide the site information for the seismic risk assessment.





▲ 500 stations

Interval ~ 1 km

Locations of the microtremor survey points in the Taipei area. Red symbols indicate the strong motion stations.



Dominant frequency contour in the Taipei basin area, result from the H/V ratio of dense microtremor survey





H/V spectral ratio contour at 0.5 Hz.

Sungshan Formation Bottom --- Taipei Basin

