

ANALYSIS OF SOIL ACCELERATION IN THE MENTAWAI REGION WITH THE METHOD *PROBABILISTIC SEISMIC HAZARD ANALYSIS (PSHA)*

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ABSTRACT

The Mentawai Islands are one of the areas that are active in seismicity. An earthquake measuring 7.2 on the Richter scale on October 25, 2010 resulted in many casualties and material losses. This prompted researchers to conduct research aimed at making seismic hazard maps and knowing the level of earthquake hazard in the Mentawai region. Seismic hazard maps are useful in planning earthquake-resistant buildings and can describe the effects of earthquakes at a location which will help in anticipating community preparedness and earthquake disaster mitigation efforts. Seismic hazard data processing uses the Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis (PSHA) method. PSHA is based on earthquake parameters that produce the largest ground motion. The magnitude of the intensity at a location due to an earthquake in the earthquake source area with a magnitude of M and a distance of R , the attenuation function can be used. The attenuation functions in this study are Young et al (1997). This type of research is descriptive, namely by collecting NEIC/USGS earthquake catalog data for the period 1950 - 2021 with $M \geq 5$. The results of this study indicate that the area of which has a high level of seismic hazard is found in the Siberut area with a maximum PGA range of 1.17 g - 3.70 g. The area with a low seismic hazard level is the Pagai area with a PGA range of 0.80 g - 2.86 g. This result represents a 10% chance of being exceeded in 50 years.

Keywords : Earthquake; Hazard;PGA; PSHA



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I. INTRODUCTION

Sumatra Island is one of the regions that has a unique tectonic setting. This is because the island of Sumatra has two geological conditions that can affect the activities and tectonic conditions of the island of Sumatra. First, the subduction zone, which is the boundary between the Indian-Australian plate, which pushes into the Eurasian plate. In this subduction zone, which is the path of plate movement, this plate movement has the potential to cause an earthquake with a relatively larger magnitude so that it is very likely to cause a tsunami.[1]. Earthquakes occur due to the movement of rock layers on the earth's surface due to the release of energy in the earth's crust. This release of energy causes deformation of the tectonic plates in the earth's crust [2]. The front of the subduction zone is a source of a poorly understood hazard: the "tsunami earthquake", which generates a larger-than-expected tsunami due to its seismic shaking. Slip on frontal thrusts are thought to be the cause of the increase in wave height in this earthquake, but the impact of this mechanism has so far not been quantified [3].

The theory that explains the mechanism of earthquakes is known as the "Elastic Rebound Theory". It is explained in this theory that earthquakes occur in deformation areas where there are two forces acting in opposite directions on the earth's crust rock. The energy stored during the deformation process is in the form of elastic strain and will accumulate until it exceeds the maximum bearing capacity of the rock, eventually causing fractures or fractures. When a fracture occurs, the stored energy will mostly be released in the form of waves in all directions, both in the form of transverse and longitudinal waves. This event is called an earthquake [4]. Earthquake preparedness can reduce casualties and economic losses due to earthquakes effectively. The existing

literature confirms that people's knowledge and perception of earthquakes can greatly influence their actions on earthquake preparedness. However, studies mostly focus on developed countries [5].

The Mentawai Islands are one of the areas that are active in earthquakes, which is evident from the recording of earthquakes that occurred both small and large during the 2010-2016 period. The Mentawai Islands are included in the tectonic area of Sumatra where there is a subduction of the Indo-Australian plate to the island of Sumatra [6]. The Mentawai area has the Mentawai Fault which is at the boundary of the Sumatran subduction zone with the Sumatran Fault [7]. An earthquake measuring 7.2 on the Richter scale on October 25, 2010 in the Mentawai Islands resulted in a tsunami that only took 5-10 minutes to reach the coast. Short time to evacuate in ten minutes before the tsunami reaches shore. Many casualties reached more than 500 people and large material losses, should be a lesson for space managers to be able to organize space by considering disaster aspects [8].

The sudden movement of rock layers in the earth produces energy that is emitted in all directions in the form of earthquake waves or seismic waves. When these waves reach the earth's surface, the vibrations can damage everything on the earth's surface such as buildings and other infrastructure so that it can cause loss of life and property [9]. An investigation into how knowledge about past earthquakes has been managed and used to promote more resilient infrastructure in Indonesia is underway. Factors that continue to contribute to building and infrastructure failure include a lack of understanding of the local hazard situation, non-compliance with earthquake-resistant codes and standards for buildings and infrastructure, problematic soil conditions, and additional hazards such as tsunamis, liquefaction, land subsidence, landslides, rock slides which add to the complexity of the seismic hazard. The dearth of information and knowledge about the resilience performance of infrastructure during earthquakes in Indonesia limits knowledge-based decision making in the planning, development and operation of resilient infrastructure [10]. An understanding of the risks of living in areas with high disaster vulnerability must be addressed wisely and cleverly in dealing with ways of living side by side with these disaster-prone natural conditions.. Mitigation according to Law no. 24 of 2007 concerning disaster management, is a series of efforts to reduce disaster risk, both through physical development as well as awareness and capacity building in dealing with disasters.

Every damage caused by an earthquake in a certain area is determined by earthquake parameters, one of which is by using the maximum ground acceleration (PGA) value. The maximum ground acceleration (PGA) value is one of the important parameters used in the study of the level of danger and risk of earthquakes that can cause damage. The acceleration value is an important parameter because it is the starting point in making earthquake-resistant building structures and other mitigation measures. So that the maximum ground acceleration data due to earthquake vibrations at a location is important to describe the level of earthquake risk at a certain location [11].The ground acceleration value that will be taken into account in the building design is the maximum ground acceleration value [12].

In the study of this method using the PSHA method, namely Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis, the stages in processing PSHA data are as shown in the figure 1 [12]

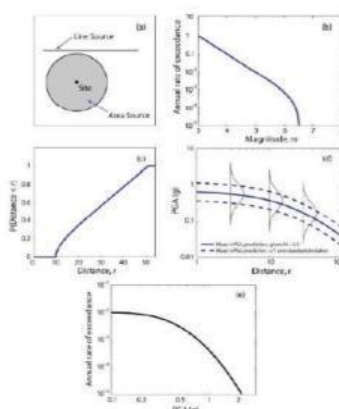


Fig 1. Stages of probability seismic hazard analysis [12]

Stages of probability seismic hazard analysis start from Identifying all sources of earthquakes that can cause damage due to ground motion, Characterization of earthquake magnitude distribution, Characteristics of the distribution of the distance from the source to the location associated with a potential earthquake. Predict the resulting distribution of ground motion intensity as a function of earthquake magnitude, distance, etc. At this stage, an attenuation function is used which is considered suitable for the research area, Combining all

uncertainties in terms of earthquake size, location, and ground motion intensity using the total probability theorem calculation [12].

Formula base of the total probability theory developed by McGuire in 1976 related to the probability concept developed by Cornell in 1968 [13], which are as follows:

$$P[I \geq i|m, r] = \iint P[I \geq i; m, r] f_m f_r dmdr \quad (1)$$

Where f_m is the probability density function of the magnitude, f_r is the probability density function of the hypocentre distance, = random probability condition of intensity (I) that exceeds the value of (i) at a location due to earthquake magnitude (m) and hypocentre distance (r) $P[I \geq i|m, r]$.

The final result of this hazard analysis includes a map of the maximum acceleration in the bedrock at T = 0 seconds or usually also called PGA (peak ground acceleration) for the probability of exceeding 10% and 2% within 50 years. Earthquake risk is the chance that an earthquake with a certain intensity will be greater during the life of the building. The value of earthquake risk is mathematically expressed in the following equation.

$$R_n = 1 - (1 - R_a)^N \quad (2)$$

Where R_n is earthquake risk, R_a is the annual risk of $1/T$, T is the earthquake return period and N is the mass of the building.

Following is attenuation function that can be used in this study is [14]. Attenuation models for subduction zones can generally be divided into 2 (two) categories, namely earthquakes in the megathrust zone (interface) and in the Benioff zone (interslab). The equation form of the attenuation function Youngs et al. that is:

$$\ln(\text{PGA}) = 0.2418 + 1.414 \text{ MW} - 20552 \ln[\text{rrup} + 1.7818e0.554\text{Mw}] + 0.00607 H + 0.3846Zt \quad (3)$$

From equation [14] obtained the value of ground acceleration, where PGA is Peak Ground Acceleration (g), Mw is the moment magnitude, $rrup$ is the closest distance to rupture (Km), H is the depth (Km) and Zt is the type of earthquake source (0 for interface and 1 for inters lab) [14].

II. METHOD

Data earthquake This research was obtained from the website of the National Earthquake Information Center US Geological Surveys (NEIC/USGS) that occurred in the period 1950 - 2021. The data obtained is then transferred to Excel 2010 in accordance with the data format, namely latitude, longitude, magnitude, depth, and time of the earthquake.

Data modeling is carried out according to the standards required in the analyzed area, and calculations are carried out using certain methods to obtain the parameter value of b, maximum magnitude, slip rate, which is in accordance with the research area. In this study, they have different magnitude scales such as M_b and M_s , so they must be converted to moment magnitude (M_w) before analysis.

The next stage after the data is converted is to identify the source of the earthquake. Identification of earthquake sources is carried out to model the earthquake sources used, with certain parameters based on geological, geophysical, and geological conditions seismotectonic [15]. The earthquake source consists of several classifications, the geometry of the earthquake source in the form of strike direction, dip angle, and depth is needed in the study, and the mechanism of the earthquake source is also needed for identification.

The converted data is then inputted into ZMAP to obtain parameter values of a-value and b-value using MATLAB software. After the ab value parameter is obtained, it can directly process seismic hazard data using the PSHA USGS 2017 software. Although it has never been validated by objective testing, Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis (PSHA) has been used extensively for almost 50 years by government and industry in applications with life and properties hang in the balance, such as deciding safety criteria for nuclear power plants, making official national hazard maps, develop building code requirements, and determine earthquake insurance rates. PSHA relies on assumptions now known to contradict earthquake physics; a lot of damage earthquake [16]. Probabilistic seismic hazard analysis (PSHA) is an evaluation of the annual frequency exceeding ground motion level (usually designated by peak ground acceleration or spectral acceleration) at a

site. The result of the PSHA is a seismic hazard curve (annual outflow frequency vs ground motion amplitude) or a uniform hazard spectrum (spectral amplitude vs structural period, for a fixed annual outflow frequency) [17]. The final result of data processing from the 2017 USGS is then used to create a seismic hazard distribution map using ArcGis 10.8 software.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Earthquake data used in this study is a significant earthquake that occurred in period 1950 – 2021 with an earthquake magnitude parameter of magnitude $M \geq 5.0$ SR and sourced from the US National Earthquakes Information Center catalog *Geological survey (NEIC/USGS)* and *International Seismological Center (ISC)* period 1950 to 2021. Region research is in Mentawai Islands at coordinates (98.547° East – 100.767° East and -3.579° N - 0.89° South Latitude). The results obtained from this study are data processing using the PSHA - USGS 2017 software.

Earthquake Hazard Map in the Mentawai region using the Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis (PSHA) method. The final result from This data processing is in the form of a contour map of the maximum PGA value in the bedrock of the Mentawai region. Processing with the PSHA method produces three contour maps of PGA values, namely a map of the maximum soil acceleration in bedrock in a period of 0 seconds ($T = 0$ s), a period of 0.2 seconds ($T = 0.2$ s), and a period of 1 second ($T = 1$ s). with a probability of exceeding 10% in 50 years or an earthquake return period of 50 years at the age of the building.

The result of acceleration in bedrock at $T = 0$ seconds with *probability* exceeded 10% in the 50 year earthquake return period shown in Figure 2. This means that there is a 10% chance that the maximum PGA value of the area will be greater than what is on the map for 50 years.

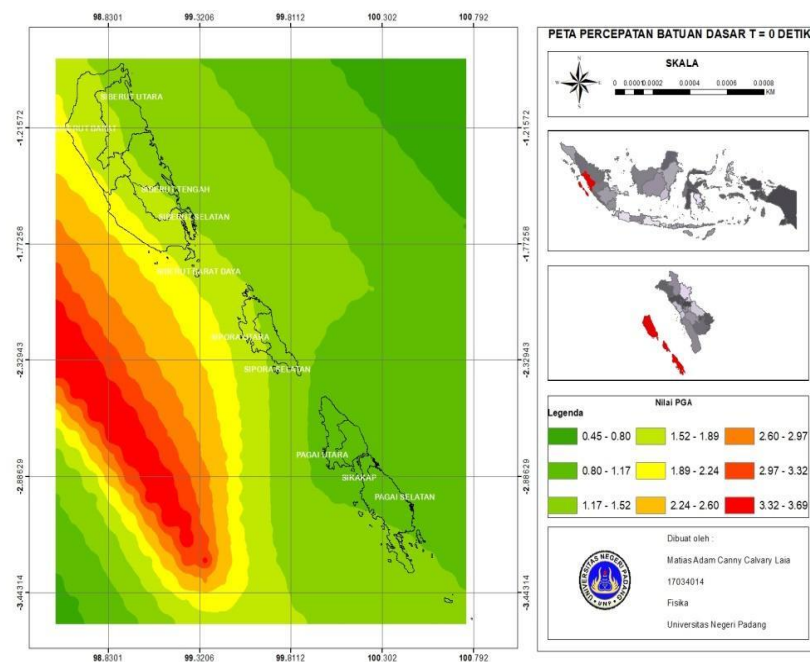


Fig 1. Bedrock Acceleration Map in Mentawai Region $T = 0$ seconds

Based on scatter Contour map pattern Figure 2. Maximum PGA value, areas with seismic hazard are grouped into 9 colors gradation contour color with PGA value in each different areas.

Acceleration results in bedrock at $T = 0.2$ seconds with *probability* exceeded 10% in the 50-year earthquake return period shown in Figure 3. This means that there is a 10% probability that the maximum PGA value of the area will be greater than that shown on the map for 50 years.

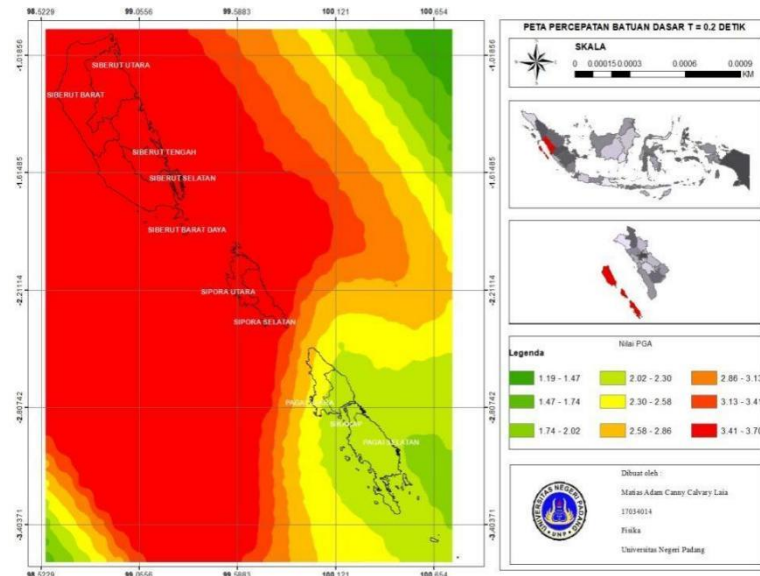


Fig 2. Bedrock Acceleration Map in Mentawai Region T = 0.2 seconds

Based on Figure 3. maximum PGA value in each area in the Mentawai experience *enhancement* especially in the Siberut and Sipora areas with a moderate to severe range.

Result of acceleration in bedrock at T = 1 second with *probability* exceeded 10% in the 50-year earthquake return period shown in Figure 4. This means that there is a 10% possibility that the maximum PGA value of the area will be greater than that shown on the map for 50 years.

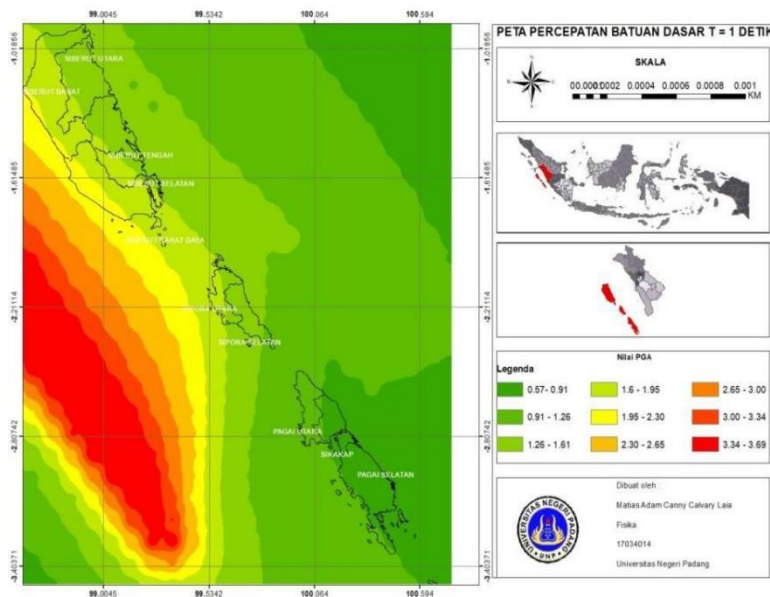


Fig 3. Bedrock Acceleration Map in Mentawai Region T = 1 seconds

Based on Figure 4. *Mark* Maximum PGA, seismic hazard areas are presented with acceleration values from 0.57g – 2.30g which are not much different from Figure 1. *Seen* that *hazard* seismicity in some areas is almost the same as the acceleration in bedrock at T = 0 s. Level *hazard* moderate seismic at three locations with acceleration values greater than 2.30g.

Earthquake hazard level in the Mentawai region using the Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis (PSHA) method. Based on Image 1, we can make a table of acceleration values in bedrock at T = 0 seconds and probability exceeded 10% within 50 years (earthquake return period 50 years). The resulting coefficients can be used by engineers for the design of building structures or buildings. From figure 2, can be made a table and can be seen in the table1. Based on the analysis results from Table 1, probability is obtained that the maximum PGA value of 2.24 g is found in region West Siberut and Southwest Siberut. As for South Siberut, Central Siberut,

North Siberut, South Sipora and North Sipora 1.17 g – 1.89 g, North Pagai and Sikakap 0.80 g – 1.17 g. Small maximum PGA of 0.80 g – 1.52 g, namely the South Pagai area.

Table 1. Acceleration of bedrock at T = 0 seconds

No	Region	PGA Max (g)	PGA Min (g)
1	South Pagai	1.52 g	0.80 g
2	North Pagai	1.17 g	0.80 g
3	West Siberut	2.24 g	1.17 g
4	Southwest Siberut	2.24 g	1.52 g
5	South Siberut	1.89 g	1.17 g
6	Central Siberut	1.89 g	1.17 g
7	North Siberut	1.89 g	1.17 g
8	attitude	1.17 g	0.80 g
9	South Sipora	1.89 g	1.17 g
10	North Cyprus	1.89 g	1.17 g

Based on figure 3. we can make a table of acceleration values in bedrock at T = 0.2 seconds and the probability of exceeding 10% within 50 years (earthquake return period of 50 years). The resulting coefficients can be used by engineers for the design of building structures or buildings. From figure 3. can be made a table and can be seen in the table 2. Based on results analysis from Table 2. probability obtained the maximum PGA value for more than half of the Mentawai region, namely West Siberut, Southwest Siberut, South Siberut, Central Siberut, North Siberut, South Sipora and North Sipora 3.41 g – 3.70 g, North Pagai 2.30 g – 2.86 g. Small maximum PGA of 2.30 g – 2.30 g, namely the South Pagai and Sikakap areas.

Table 2. Acceleration of bedrock at T = 0.2 sec

No	Region	PGA Max (g)	PGA Min (g)
1	South Pagai	2.30	2.30
2	North Pagai	2.86	2.30
3	West Siberut	3.70	3.14
4	Southwest Siberut	3.70	3.41
5	South Siberut	3.70	3.41
6	Central Siberut	3.70	3.41
7	North Siberut	3.70	3.42
8	attitude	2.30	2.30
9	South Sipora	3.70	3.13
10	North Cyprus	3.70	3.41

Based on figure 4. we can make a table of acceleration values in bedrock at T = 1 second and the probability of exceeding 10% within 50 years (earthquake return period of 50 years). The resulting coefficients can be used by engineers for the design of building structures or buildings. From figure 4. table can be made and it can be seen in the table 3. Based on the analysis results from Table 3. Probably the maximum PGA value of 2.30 g is found in the West Siberut and Southwest Siberut areas. As for South Siberut, Central Siberut, South Sipora and North Sipora it was 1.26 g – 1.95 g, North Siberut 1.61 g – 1.95 g, North Pagai 0.9 g – 1.26 g. Small maximum PGA of 0.57 g – 1.26 g, namely the South Pagai area.

Table 3. Acceleration of bedrock at T = 1 second

No	Region	PGA Max (g)	PGA Min (g)
1	South Pagai	1.26	0.57
2	North Pagai	1.26	0.91
3	West Siberut	2.30	1.26
4	Southwest Siberut	2.30	1.60
5	South Siberut	1.95	1.26
6	Central Siberut	1.95	1.26
7	North Siberut	1.95	1.61
8	attitude	1.26	0.57
9	South Sipora	1.61	1.26
10	North Cyprus	1.95	1.26

The results of the study in the Mentawai region obtained an a-value of 7,302 and a b-value of 0.97. This is in accordance with Raharjo is research on the year 2016 where the higher the value of the constant a then activity seismicity in an area will also be higher. Region Mentawai also has a maximum PGA value of 3.70 g which, if linked in table 2. has an intensity of VIII MMI where the earthquake caused includes the earthquake felt.

Based on the three PGA values at 0 seconds, 0.5 seconds, and 1 second, the highest PGA values are found in the Siberut area. Although the intensity obtained is the same as in other regions, the earthquake felt differently because the acceleration in the bedrock is 3.41 g – 3.70 g. This is because the Mentawai Islands region is in a subduction zone and is traversed by the Mentawai fault and has a history of seismicity that can be categorized as a destructive earthquake, making this area a high seismic hazard. According to Ahmad, 2016 states that the area that has a high PGA value is in the Mentawai Islands region. The earthquake occurred on October 25, 2010 in the southwest of the Mentawai Islands with a magnitude of 7.8 on the Richter scale at a depth of 20 km... The high PGA value is due to a shallow earthquake with a large magnitude near that point.

IV. CONCLUSION

Seismic hazard map for the Mentawai region, an area that has a high level of seismic hazard is in the Siberut region. This region has a maximum PGA value at T = 0 seconds of 1.17 g – 2.30 g, at T = 0.2 seconds of 3.41 g – 3.70 g, at T = 1 second of 1.26 g – 2.30 g. This seismic hazard map also shows areas with low seismic hazard levels, namely the Pagai area. Although the intensity produced is the same, the earthquake felt is different because the acceleration in the bedrock is 0.80 g – 1.52 g at T = 0 seconds, 2.30 g – 2.86 g at T = 0.5 seconds and 0.57 g-1.27 g at T = 1 second. Areas that have a hazard level seismic how high is in the Siberut area and the area with low seismic hazard is in the Pagai area. The probability of earthquake hazard in the Mentawai region is dominated by subduction zone earthquake sources. Although the intensity of the Mentawai region is at the same level, due to the difference in the value of the acceleration in the resulting bedrock, the resulting earthquake is different.

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