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# On the new European standard for earthquake resistance of structures Eurocode 8

### Abstract

Eurocode 8 (EC8) is a comprehensive new standard which contributes to high earthquake resistance of structures and to their satisfactory behaviour during earthquakes. Of course, due to the requirements of EC8 the costs of construction, on average, increase. The new standard also requires a better understanding and more work for designers, at least in the initial stage, when all computer tools are not yet available. In the presentation, first some basic principles of earthquake resistant design and their implementation in EC8 will be briefly explained. The examples observed in different earthquakes, including the recent ones in Chile, Haiti and L'Aquila, will be used for illustration. Then, the influence of EC8 on the seismic capacity, on the probability of failure, and on the cost of the structure will be presented by an example of a reinforced concrete frame building. Two variants of the building structure (one designed for gravity loads only and the other one designed according to EC8) will be discussed.

#### Curriculum Vitae

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