Magnitudes



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When life was simple

• Sensor

- 2 Poles

- -.8886E+01 0.8886E+01
- -.8886E+01 -.8886E+01

– 2 Zeros

- 0.0000E+00 0.0000E+00
- 0.0000E+00 0.0000E+00

Anti-alias filter

- 6 Poles
 - -.3793E+03 0.1016E+03
 - -.3793E+03 -.1016E+03
 - -.2777E+03 0.2777E+03
 - -.2777E+03 -.2777E+03
 - -.1016E+03 0.3793E+03
 - -.1016E+03 -.3793E+03

– 0 Zeros



New Frontiers in Bandwidth

Datalogger

 RT72A-02
 16 bit (96 db)



New Frontiers in Dynamic Range











Body Wave Magnitude





Surface Wave Magnitude





Moment Magnitude



Programs •dbml (ML) •dbampmag (ML, mb, Ms: calculated on phase of choice in displacement domain) $c_0 + \log_{10}A + c_1^* \log_{10}\Delta + c_2 \log_{10} (\Delta^* c_3 + c_4) + c_5$ dbml mag (aussie mag program) •similar to dbampmag - includes Δ^2 term; records amplitude and time in arrival table for each stn allows multiple types of ML (varying A_0) aeic dbml (alaska mag program) lists stn mags and allows user select mags for netmag calculation •dbmag, dbms

Summary of existing magnitudes

•ML, mb, Ms

•Note: ML(Sn), mb(Lg)=MN capabilities exists in dbampmag



Magnitudes missing or not fully developed

•Mw

-RMT: in development, uses Chuck Ammon's RMT code.

-CMT: doesn't exist

•Md/Mc – see dbmag?



Factors affecting your magnitudes

•s/n ratio (actually a detection problem not a mag problem) —off or on (set cutoff value in pf)

•calib

-all these programs use calib from either the calibration or wfdisc tables.

-calib must be correct: check sensor and digitizer, check instrument response from which calib is calculated.



•time factor

-dependent on waveform attenuation in region
-dependent on station distance from hypocentre
-constant*(S-P), commencing at predicted P (dbml) or centered around arrival time of phase of interest (dbampmag)

•magnitude equation

-note: dbampmag and dbmlmag are the only programs which allow user to specifically set the constants for distance attenuation, site specific effects, etc.



Issues

•Representing magnitudes in css3.0 tables

- -stamag
- -netmag
- -origin table only allows 3 mag types (ml, mb, ms)
- -antelope programs such as dbloc2 origin display get mag from origin table
- -origins with alternate mags such as Mw, Mb(Lg), etc. will need a netmag entry for each mag (outer join of origin with netmag)

•Catalogue mag adjustments –mags consistently high or low in a region



Questions

1. Are there other factors or hidden assumptions affecting magnitudes?

2. Difficulties with existing programs

- dbmag
- dbampmag
- dbms
- dbmw

3. Do any of the above meet our needs with some modifications? What are the modifications?

