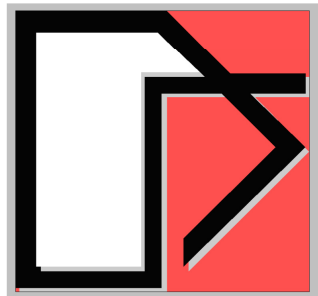


ACS SASSI Application to Linear and Nonlinear Seismic SSI Analysis of Nuclear Structures Subjected to Coherent and Incoherent Inputs



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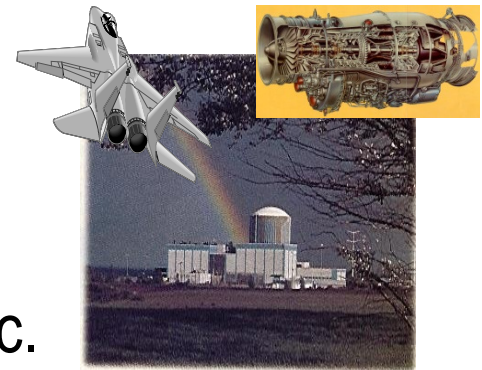
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Purpose of This Presentation:

To present an overview on the present state of engineering understanding and practice for evaluation of seismic soil-structure interaction (SSI) effects for nuclear facility structures.

SSI effects are of paramount importance for seismic analysis of nuclear structures.

DAY 1: January 25, 2011

**Understanding Basic Seismic SSI Effects
for Nuclear Facility Structures**

**Overview on SSI Effects
Case Studies**

8:30am-5:00pm

Presentation Content:

PART 1: Overview on Seismic SSI Effects

- Application Areas
- Seismic SSI Analysis Problem
- SSI Inputs and Outputs
- Seismic Input, Soil Profiles and SSI Methods
- ACS SASSI SSI Capabilities, Incoherency and EPRI Studies

PART 2: Case Studies

- Incoherent SSI Response of RB Complex
- Different Site Conditions and Embedment Studies
- SSSI Effects for NI Complex and AB Structure

PART 1: Overview on SSI Effects

Theoretical and Implementation Aspects

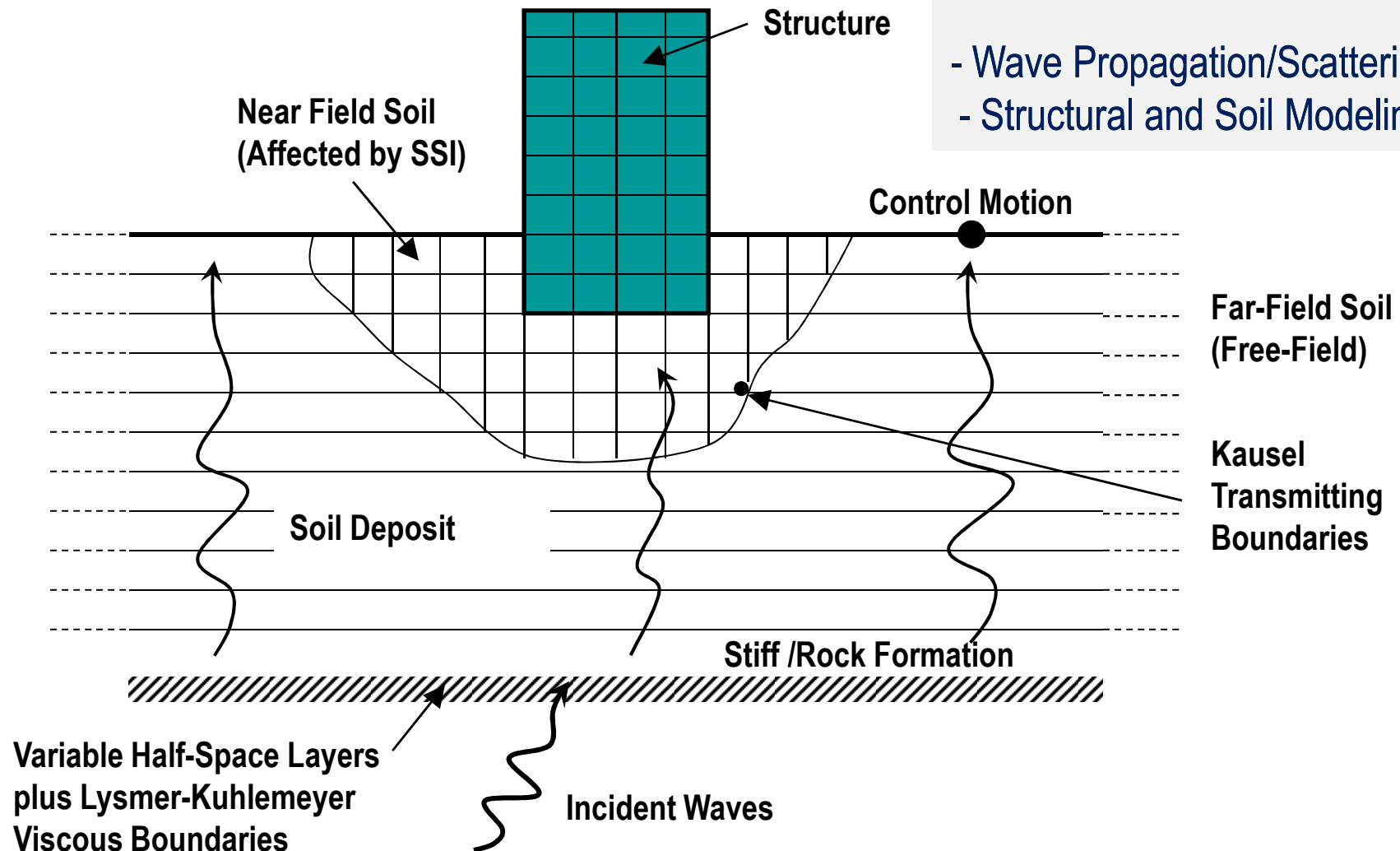
Application Areas Involving Dynamic SSI Analysis

- Civil, industrial, nuclear or hazardous facility buildings with complex arbitrary 3D geometry foundations and complex seismic or external load environments
- Underground multilevel buried structures, waste storage tanks, tunnels
- Large-size industrial under spatially varying seismic waves
- Embedded, buried structures of hazardous facilities under seismic or dynamic loads
- SSI for Concrete and earth dams, embankment, large-span concrete bridges
- Retaining structures and walls, including effects of seismic soil pressures from surface and body wave propagation, including Rayleigh waves.
- Concrete massive deep foundations, including caissons, piers
- Tunnels, subway stations and buried storage facilities
- Multiple interacting neighboring constructions
- Underground lifelines, pipelines under surface waves
- Dynamics from rotating machinery or fast moving loads, as vehicles, trains

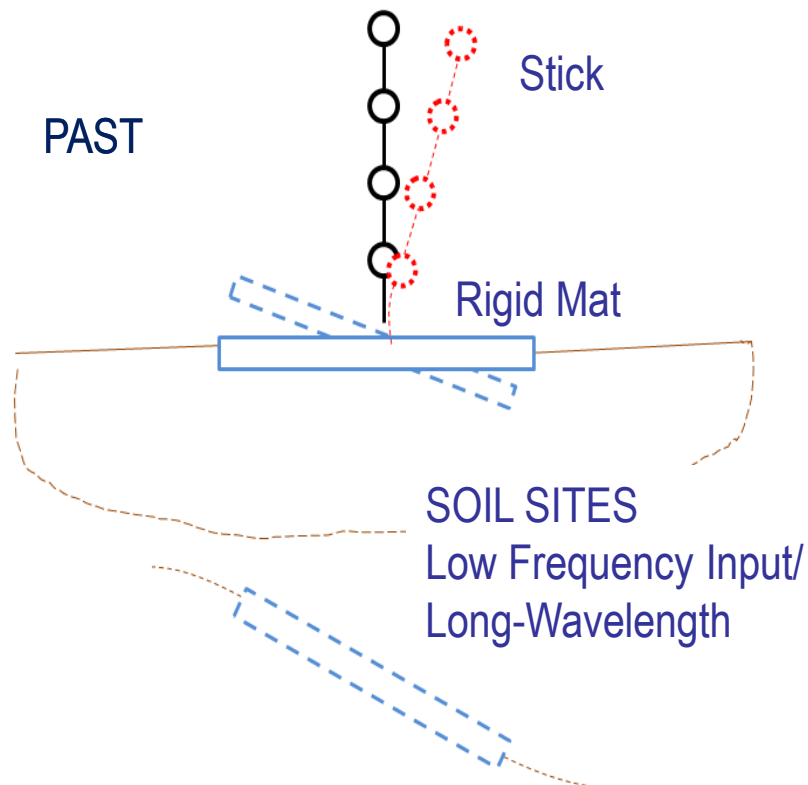
Seismic SSI Analysis Problem

Seismic SSI Analysis Aspects:

- Wave Propagation/Scattering
- Structural and Soil Modeling

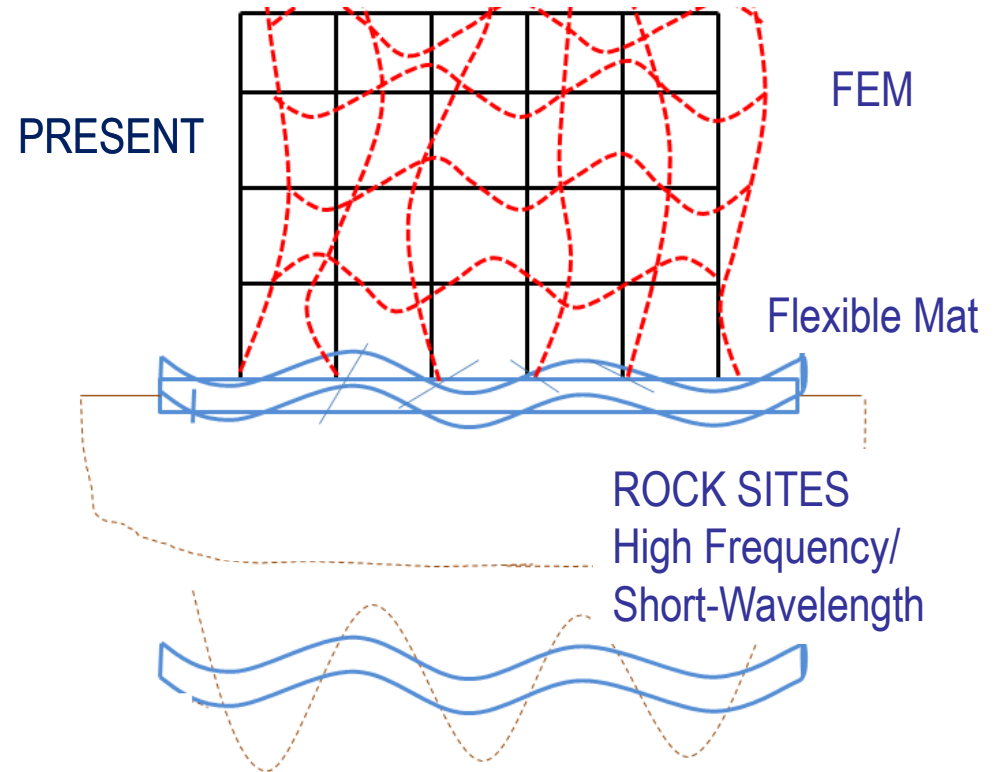


Past and Present Engineering Applications



PAST EXPERIENCE:

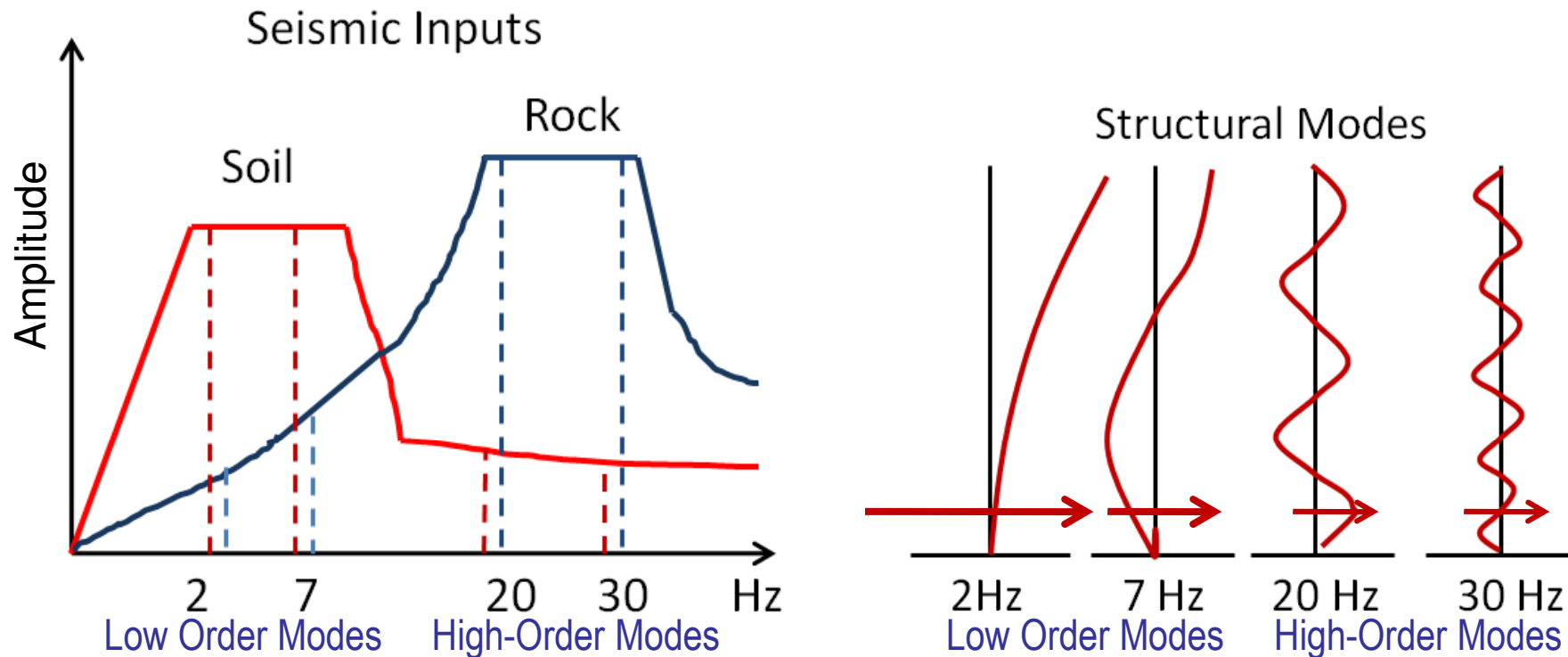
- Low Frequency Inputs (Long-Wavelength)
 - Soil Sites
 - Stick Models with Rigid Mats
 - Input Soil Motion as Rigid Body Motion (Coherent, 1D Propagation of S and P Waves)
- Is sufficiently accurate? No.....



PRESENT EXPERIENCE:

- Low and High Frequency Inputs (Long-and Short Wavelengths)
- Soil and Rock Sites
- Finite Element Models, Stick for Preliminary
- Input Soil Motions as Rigid Body (Coherent) and Elastic Body Wave Motion (Incoherent, 3D Waves)

Seismic Input: Low-Frequency (LF) vs. High-Frequency (HF) Inputs

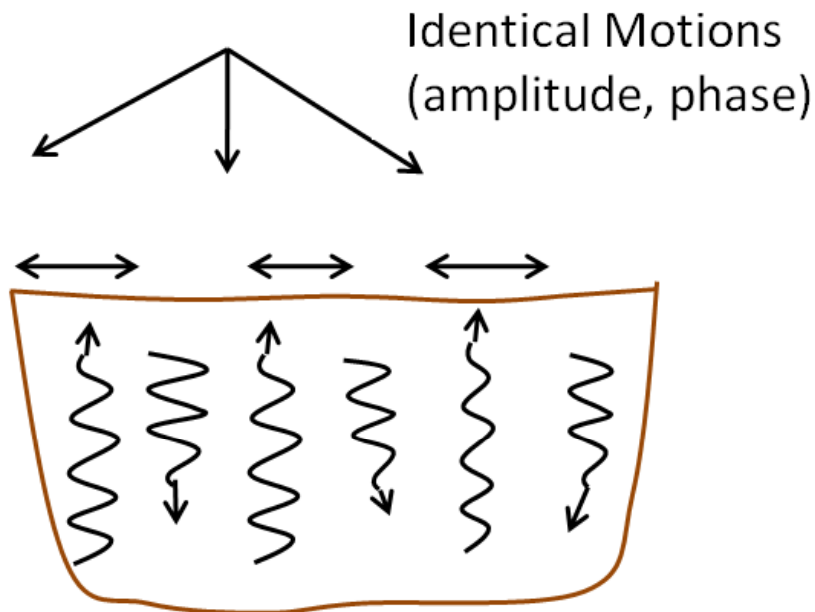


REMARKS:

- Structural forces are much larger for LF inputs than HF inputs; EQ static methods based on ZPA values fail to be consistent with the dynamics...
- ISRS will have very different shapes; if DCD (baseline design) uses LF inputs, SSI evaluation for HF inputs will show many outliers in the HF range

Wave Propagation Physics-Based Models

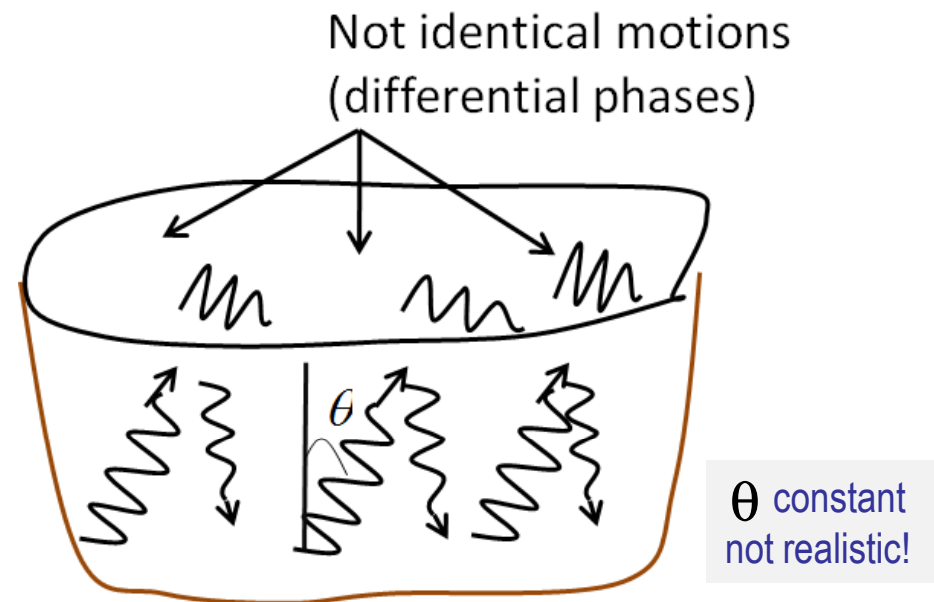
1D Wave Propagation (Idealized)



1D WAVE PROPAGATION MODEL:

- Simple Assumption: Vertically Propagating S and P body waves
- Simplicity. Less accurate than 3D waves
- Robustness to speculative assumptions
- Rigid body motion of the soil surface is not realistic!

3D Wave Propagation (Realistic)

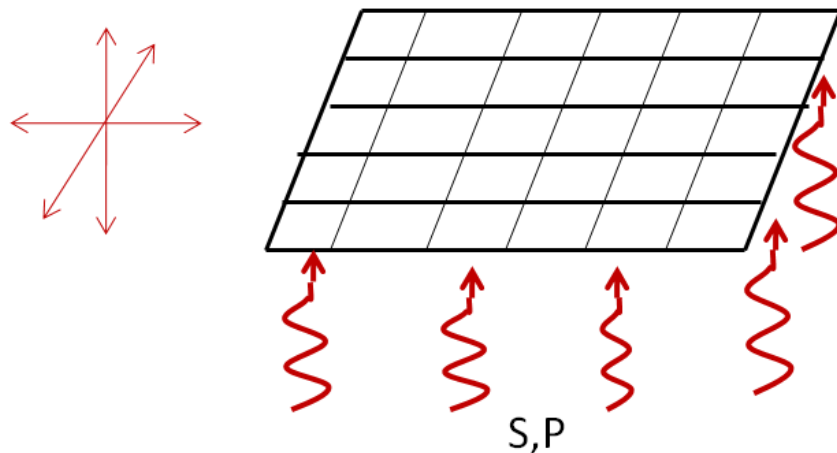


3D WAVE PROPAGATION MODEL:

- Complex Assumptions on wave composition, S and P wave orientations; model parameters should be assumed random quantities.
- Sophisticated stochastic models. Case-by-case for each site! Validation!
- Sensitive to speculative assumptions!!!
- 3D wave motion of soil surface is realistic!

Wave Propagation Models: Coherent vs. Incoherent

3D Rigid Body Soil Motion (Idealized)



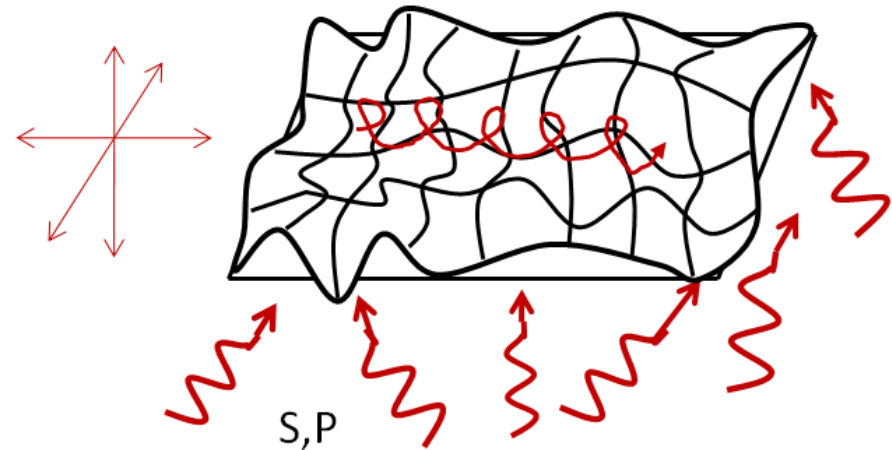
1 D Wave Propagation Analytical Model (Coherent)

Vertically Propagating S and P waves (1D)

- No other waves types included
- No heterogeneity random orientation and arrivals included
- Results in a rigid body soil motion, even for large-size foundations

Good for the LF inputs?

3D Random Wave Field Soil Motion (Realistic)



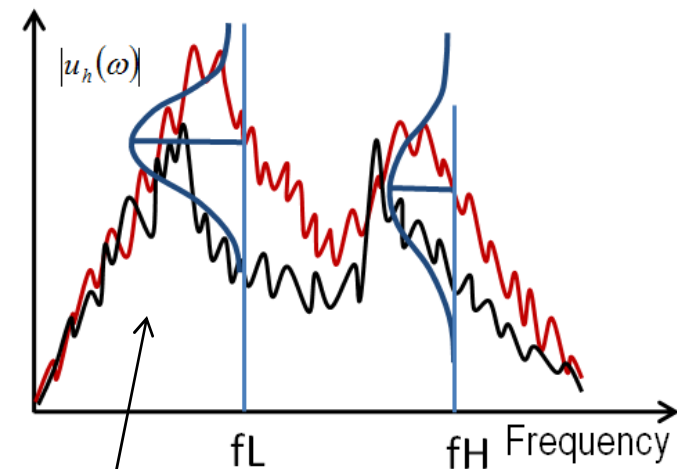
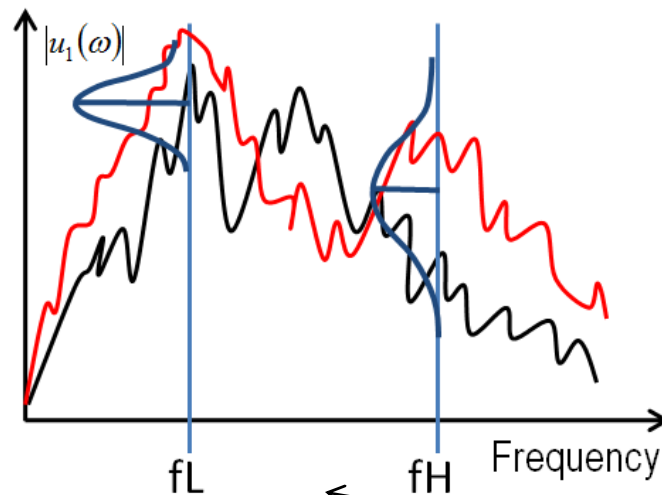
3D Wave Propagation Data-Based Model (Incoherent – Database-Driven Adjusted Coherent)

Amplitude of vertically propagating S and P wave motions are adjusted based on the statistical models derived from various field dense-arrays record databases (plane wave coherency models, plus wave passage – Abrahamson's models)

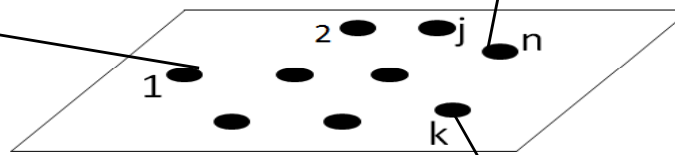
- Includes real field records information, including implicitly motion field heterogeneity, random arrivals of different wave types under random incident angles

Good only for the HF inputs?

3D Stochastic Wave Model: Incoherent Motion Field



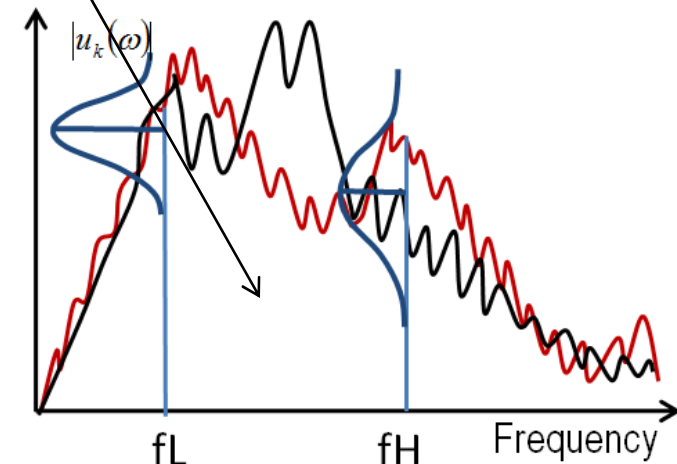
Coherent Function



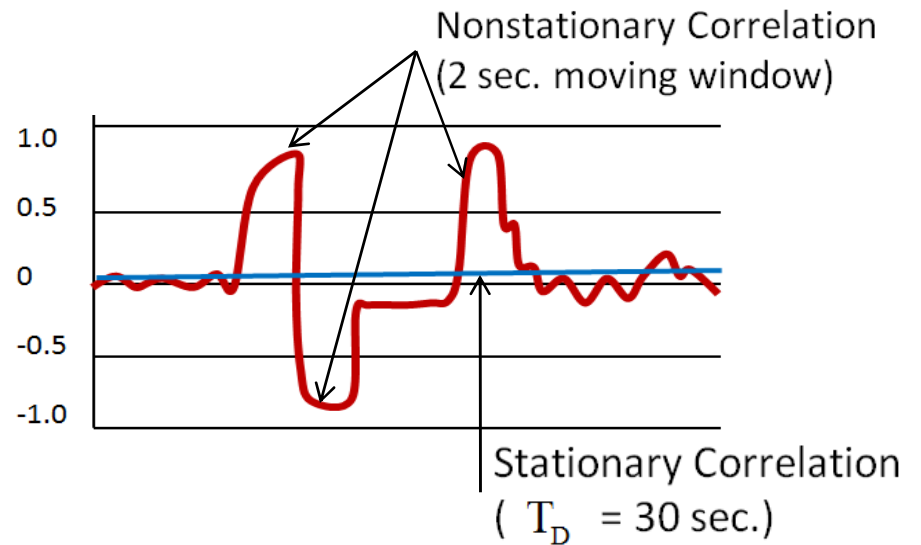
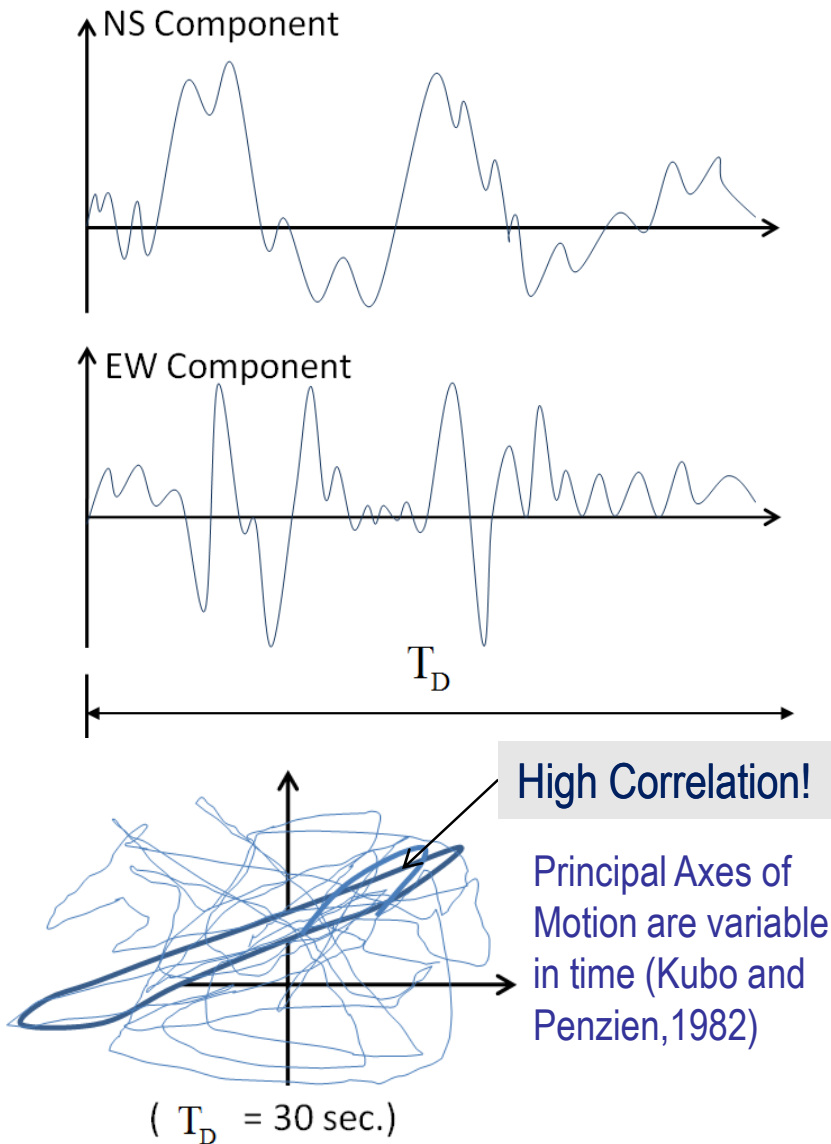
$$\Gamma_{Uj,Uk}(\omega) = \frac{S_{Uj,Uk}(\omega)}{[S_{Uj,Uj}(\omega)S_{Uk,Uk}(\omega)]^{1/2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{U U i,Uk}(\omega) = \Gamma_{L U i,Uk}(\omega) \exp [i\omega(X_{D,i} - X_{D,k})/V_D]$$

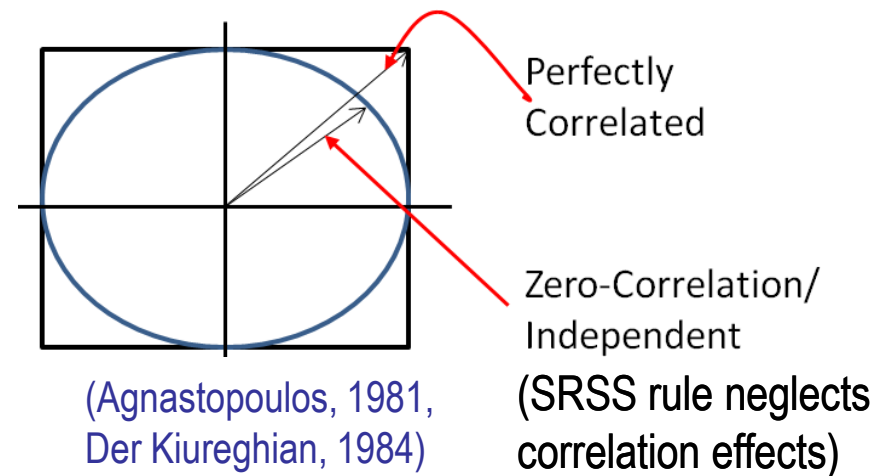
$$\gamma_{ij}(\omega) = \frac{E[|u_i(\omega)| |u_j(\omega)|]}{E[|u_i(\omega)|]^{1/2} E[|u_j(\omega)|]^{1/2}} \exp \left(i\omega \frac{\Delta_{ij}}{V_a} \right)$$



Seismic Input Directionality (Including 3D Direction Variations)

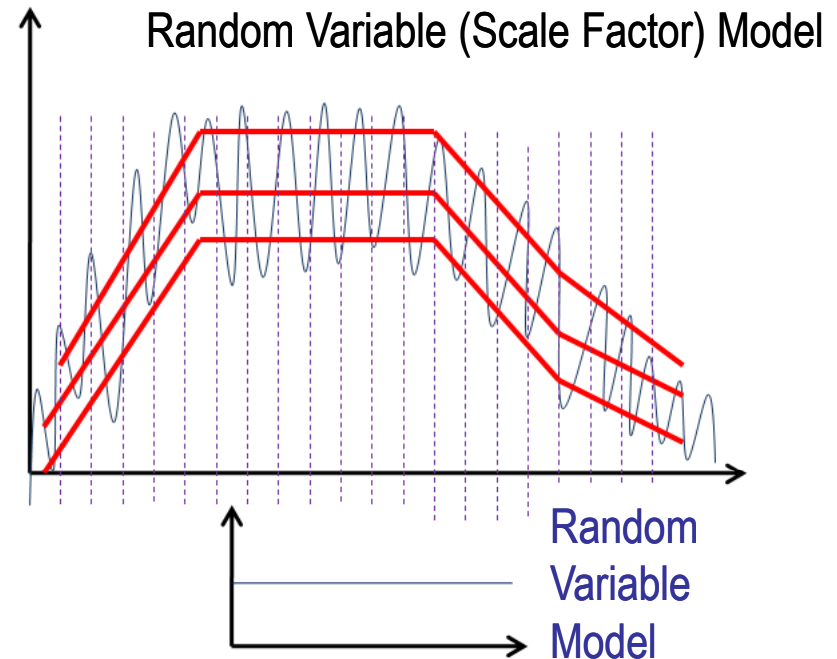
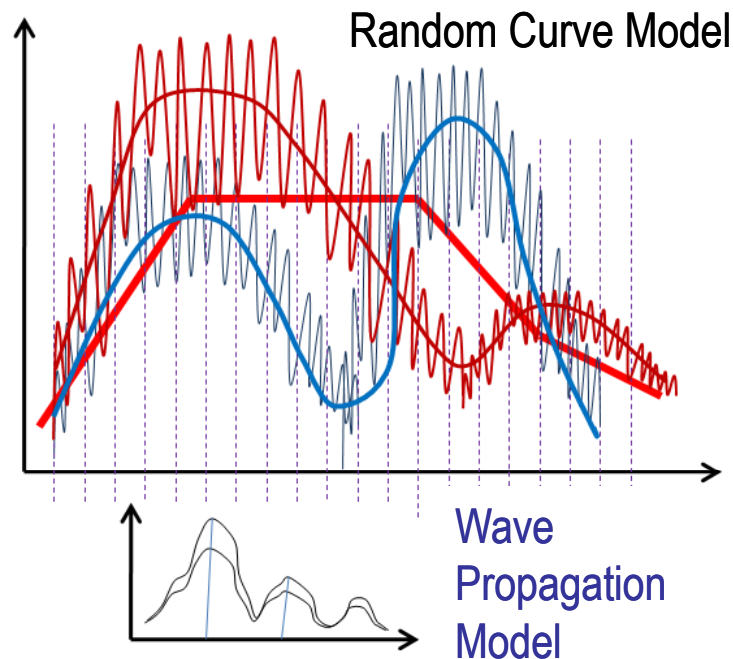


CORNER COLUMN PROBLEM

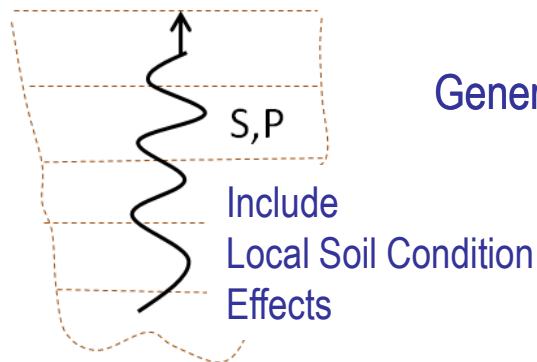


Soil Acting As A Frequency Filter on Seismic Incident Waves

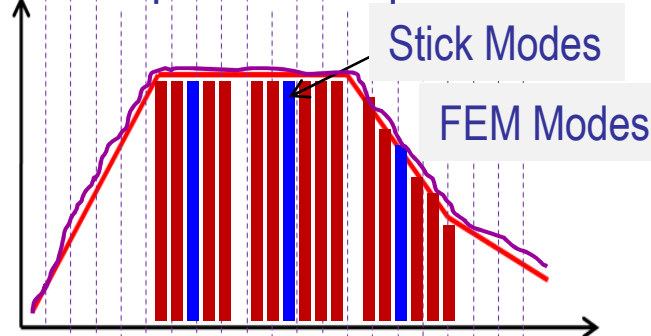
Seismic Motion Frequency Content Shows Correlation in Frequency



No correlation = Noise = No physics!

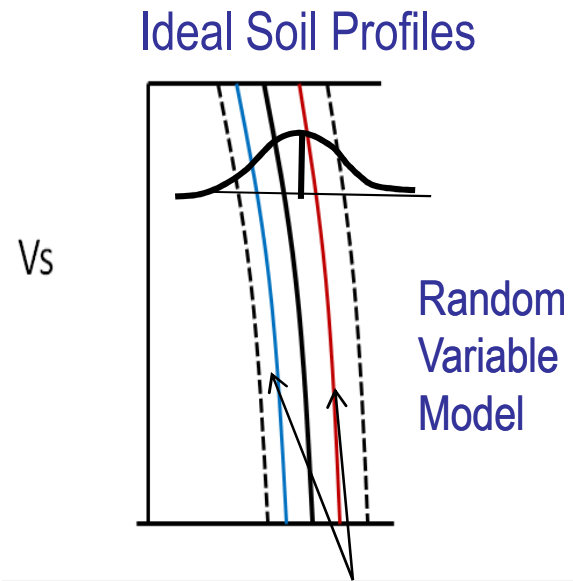
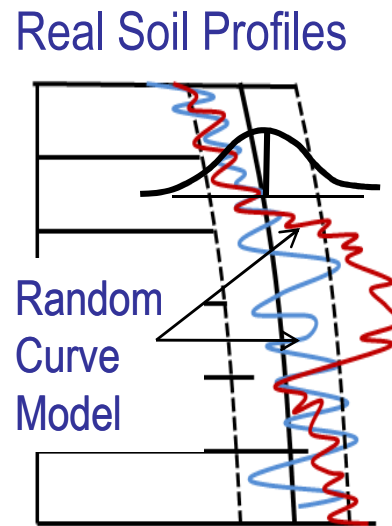
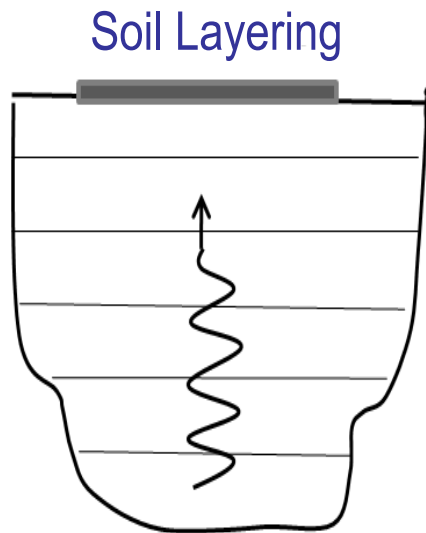


Generation of Spectrum Compatible Accelerograms

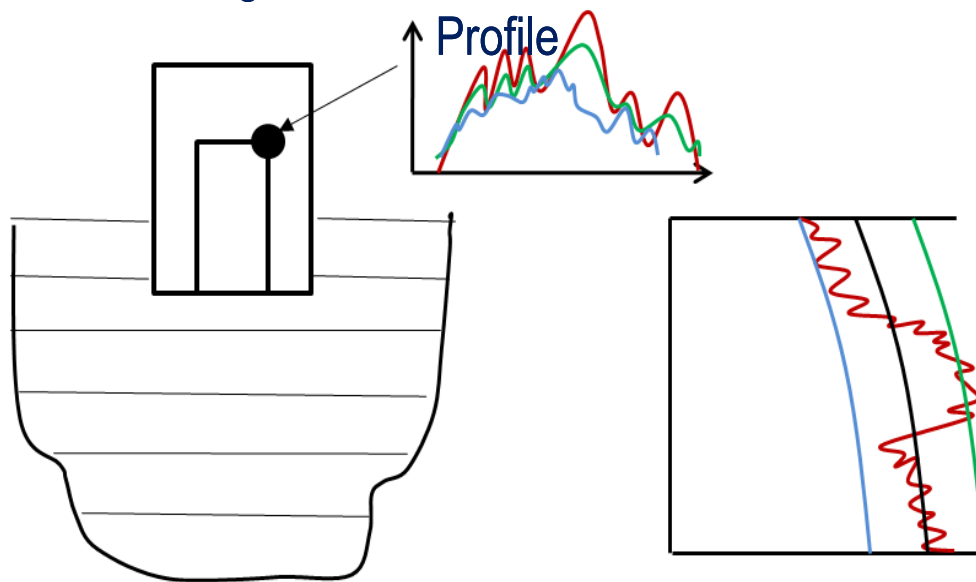


Neighbor frequency component phasing is important for FEM. Use appropriate phasing ... Use 5 inputs – Voted recently for ASCE04 Draft 2011

Soil Property Local and Spatial Variations (Low Strains)



Governing ISRS is From An Intermediate Soil



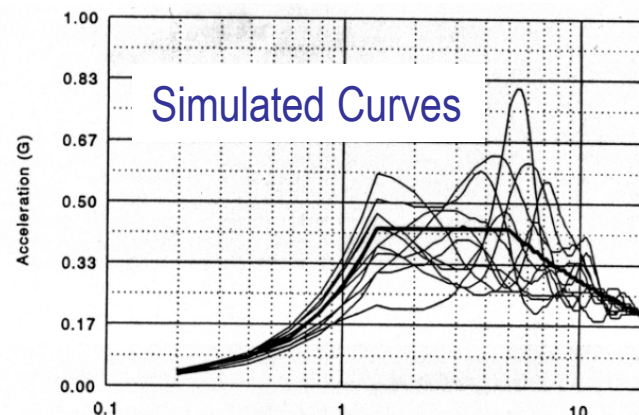
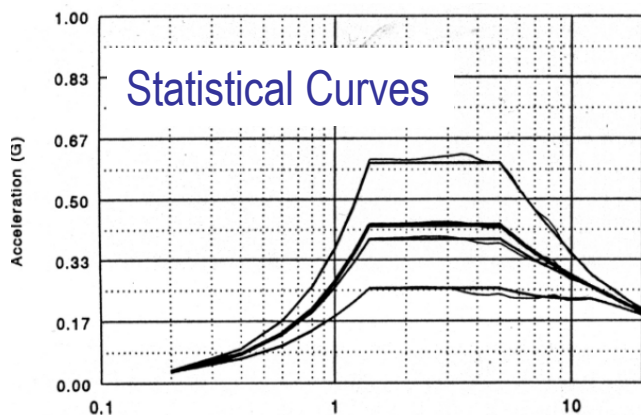
Perfect Correlation loses physics!

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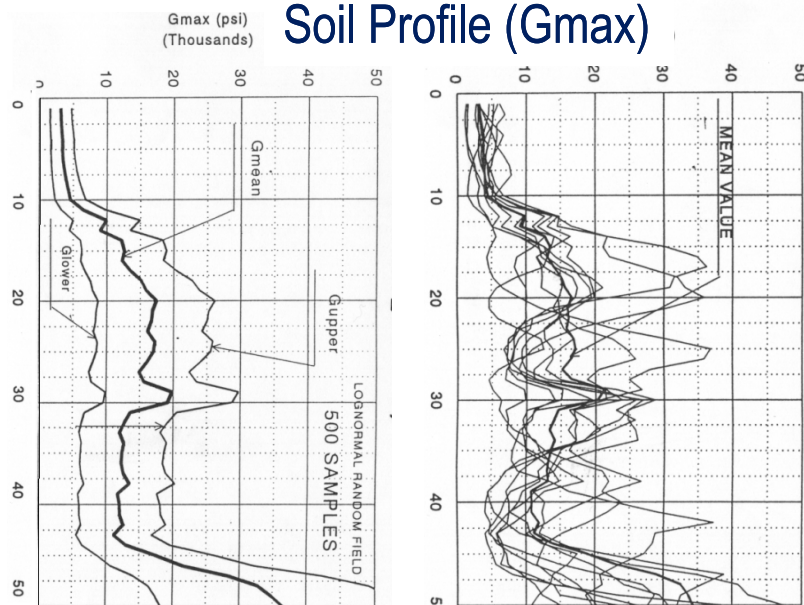
It could be that more than 3 soil profiles, LB, BE and UB, are needed to avoid “spectral valleys” in FIRS. Envelope of deterministic FIRS (deconvolved-down) should cover probabilistic-mean FIRS (convolved-up) – Recent discussions on ASCE04 Ch. 2 Draft 2011

Summary of Some Seismic Motion and Soil Variabilities

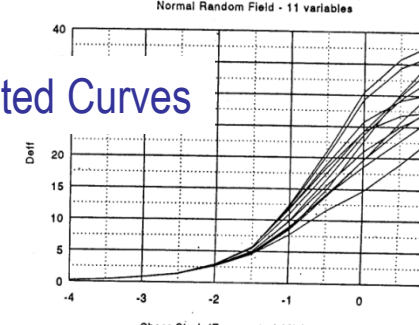
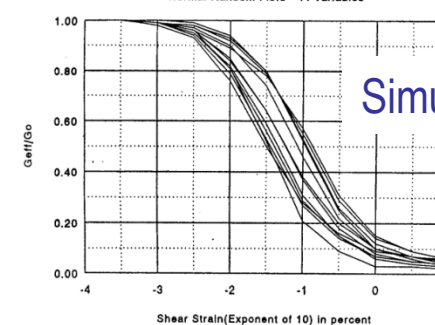
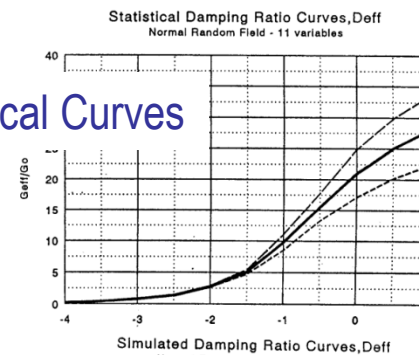
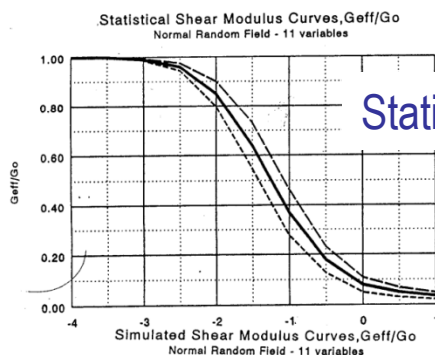
Statistic UHS Input for Soil Site



Soil Profile (Gmax)



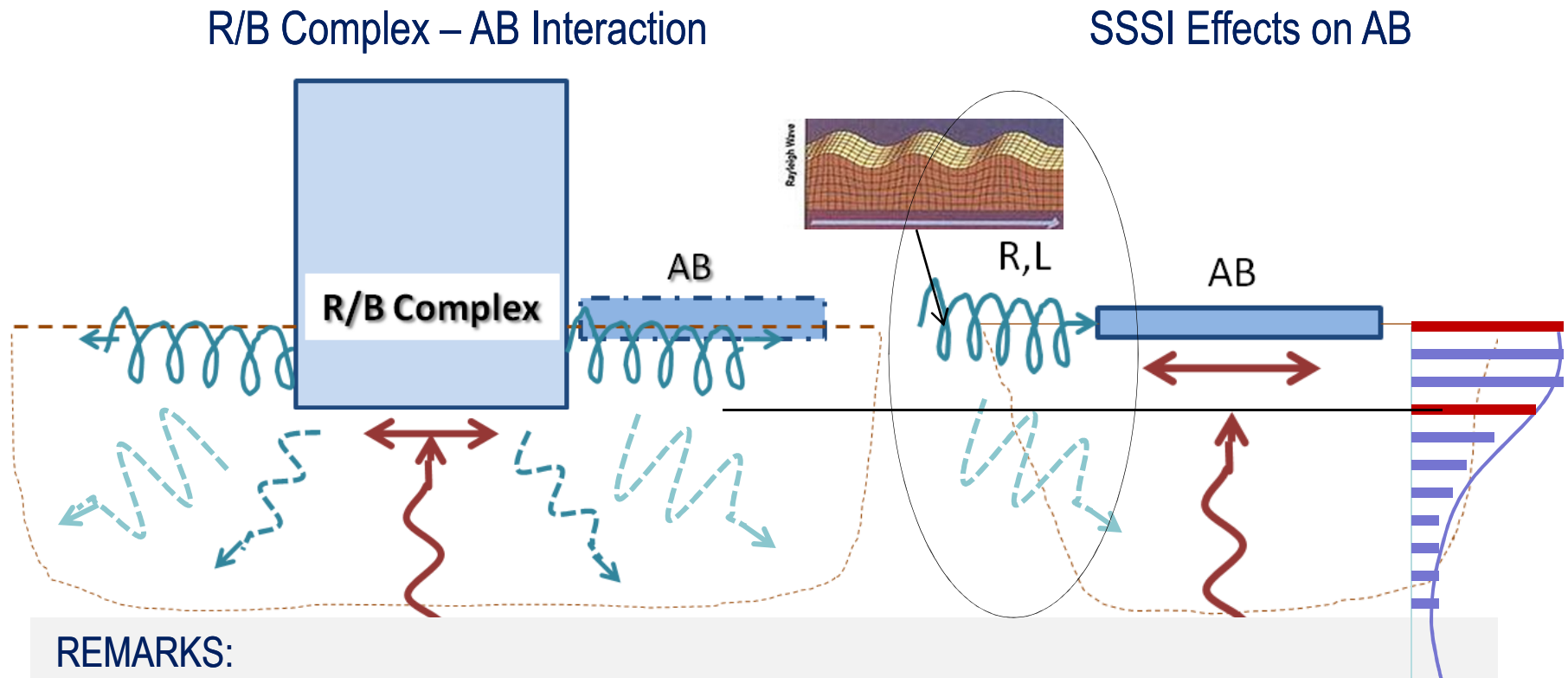
Geff/Gmax and Deff Variations



Statistical Curves
(Ghiocel and Ghanem, 1996, 2002)

Simulated Curves

Seismic Structure-Soil-Structure Interaction (SSSI) Effects

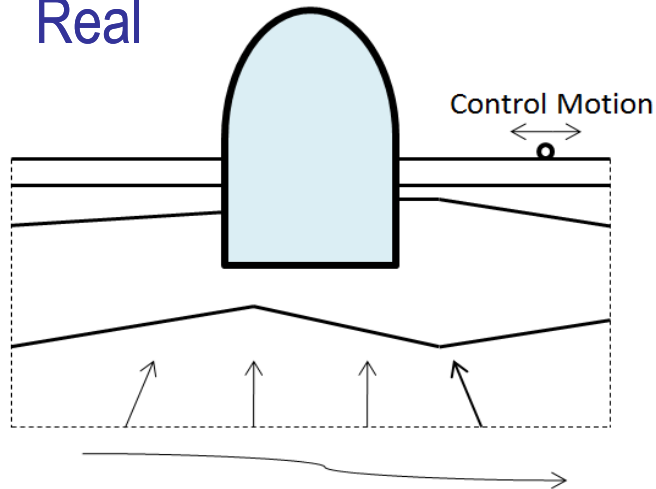


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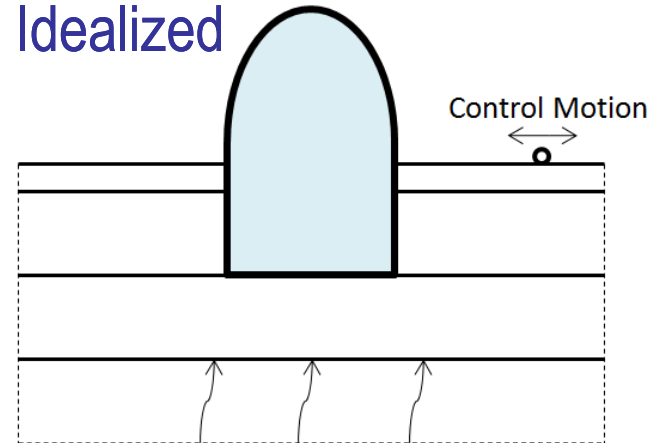
- The SSSI effects could be very significant. Both i) wave scattering and ii) inertial coupling could play significant roles. Effects show in ISRS. Usually less significant in structural forces
- Foundation levels and sizes affects the SSSI phenomena
- Light surface structures in vicinity of embedded nuclear islands (NI) could be affected seriously by wave scattering effects; these include the soil motion variation with depth, and the surface waves, oblique S and P body waves radiated from NI foundation

SSI Analysis Methods

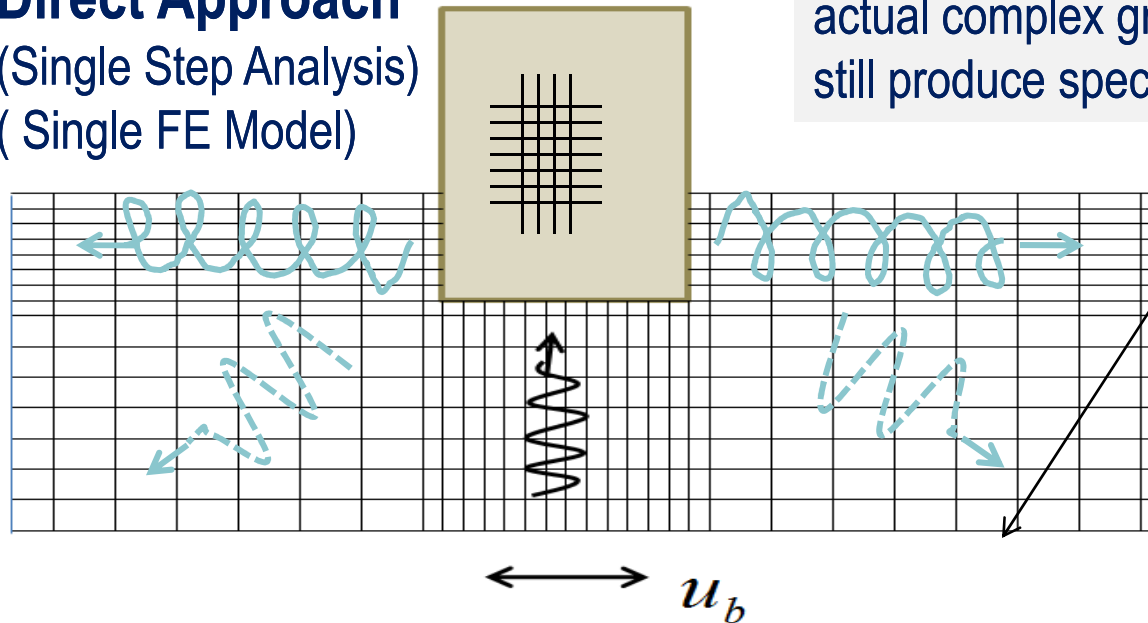
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Idealized



Direct Approach
(Single Step Analysis)
(Single FE Model)

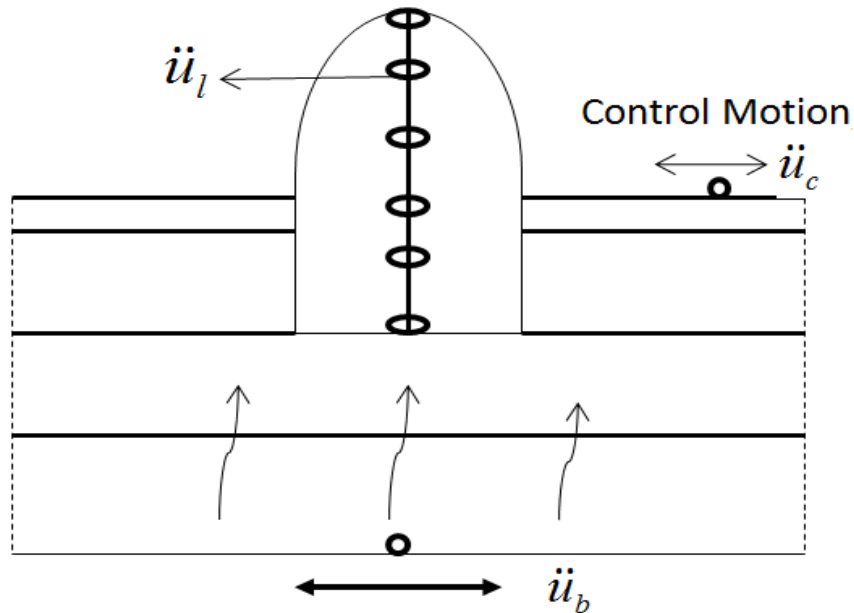


Vertical wave propagation is used to replace actual complex ground motion pattern, but still produce specified motion at control point.

Conventional BCs
(stiffness, damping, soil motion)

Enormous amount of solid elements; 90% of FE elements are in soil media

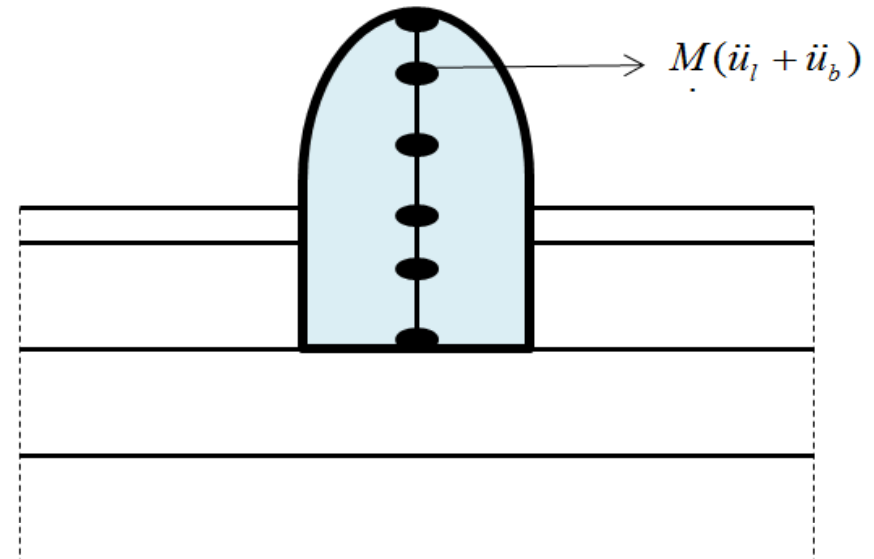
Linear SSI Analysis Using Two Step Superposition



(a) Kinematic Interaction Analysis

Structure has stiffness but no mass.

Analysis leads to determination of motions at different points in structure relative to base control point.



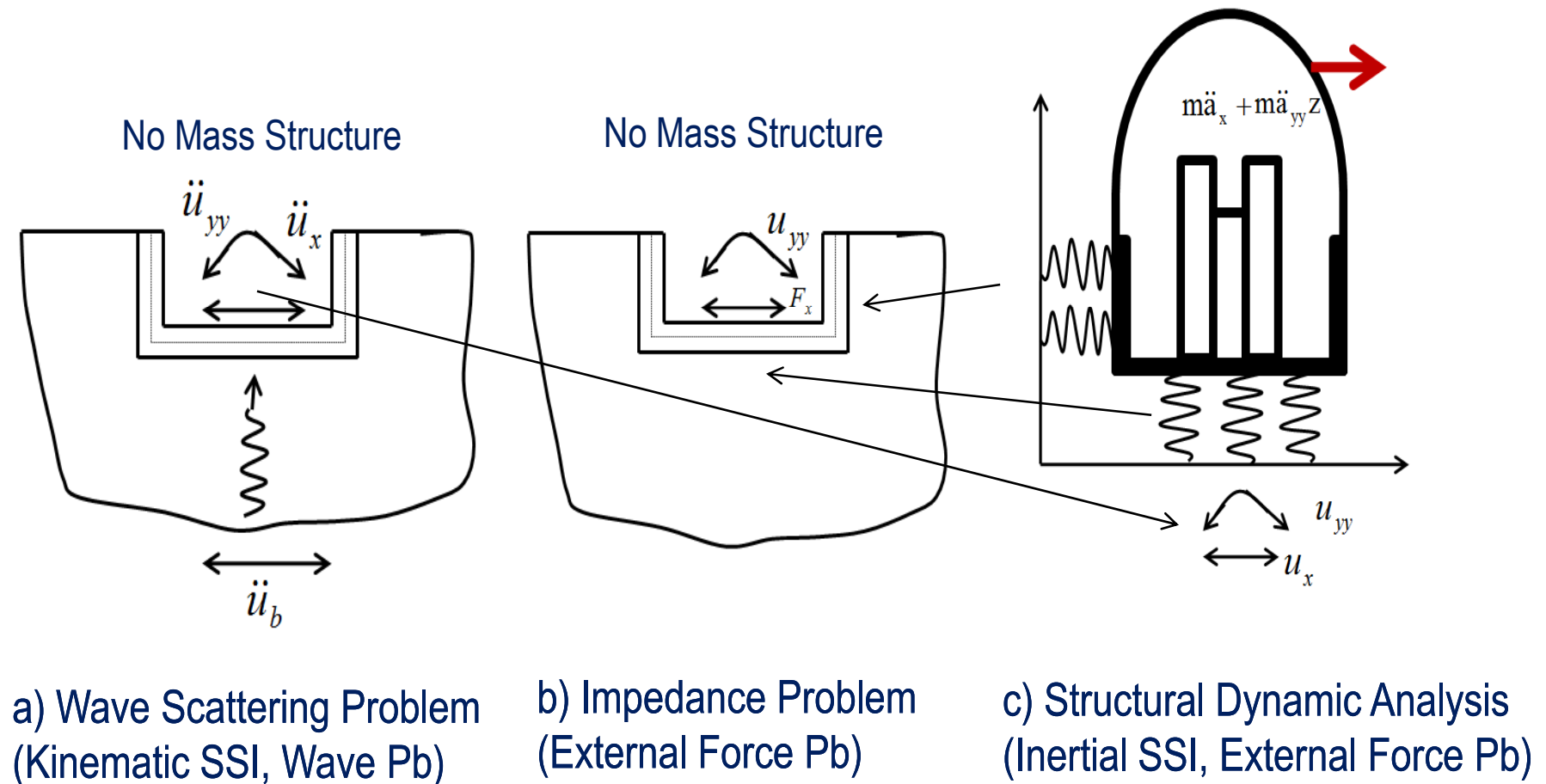
(b) Inertial Interaction Analysis

Motions computed in (a) are applied to masses in structure as shown above.

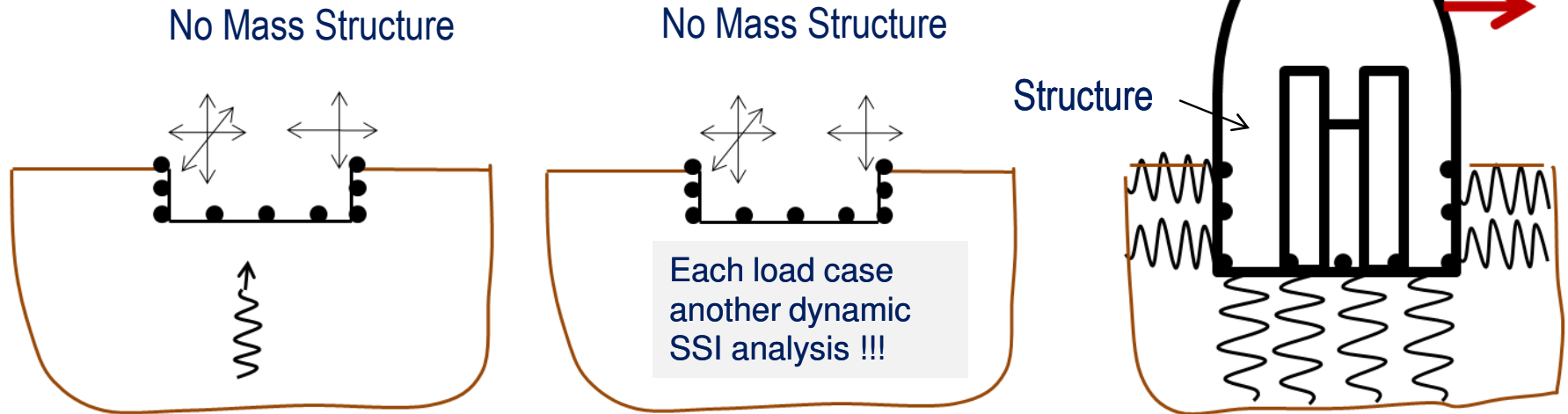
Analysis leads to computation of new motions at different points in structure.

Linear SSI Analysis Using Three Step Approach

Rigid Boundary SSI Substructuring

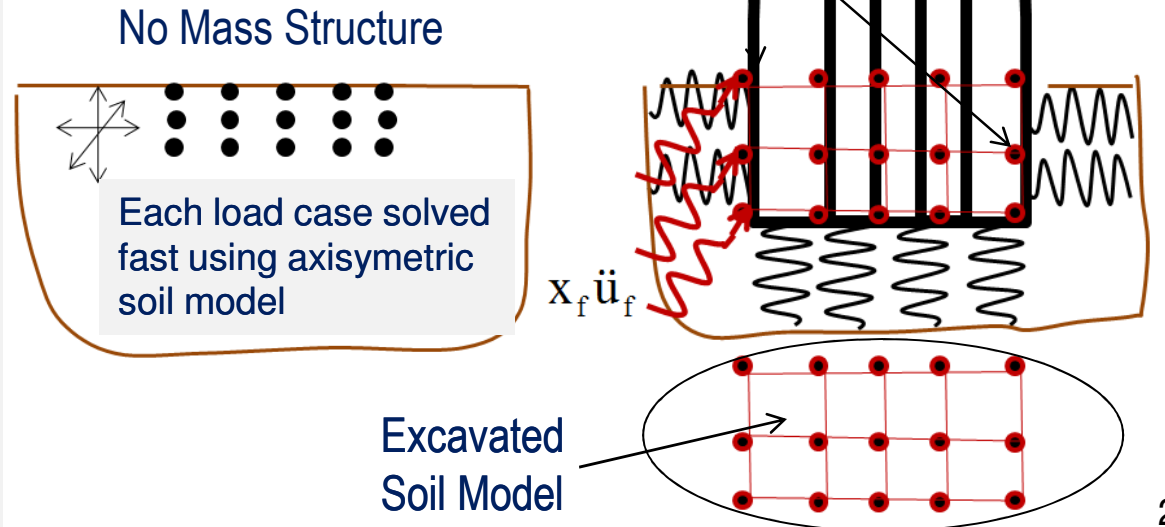


Flexible Boundary SSI Substructuring

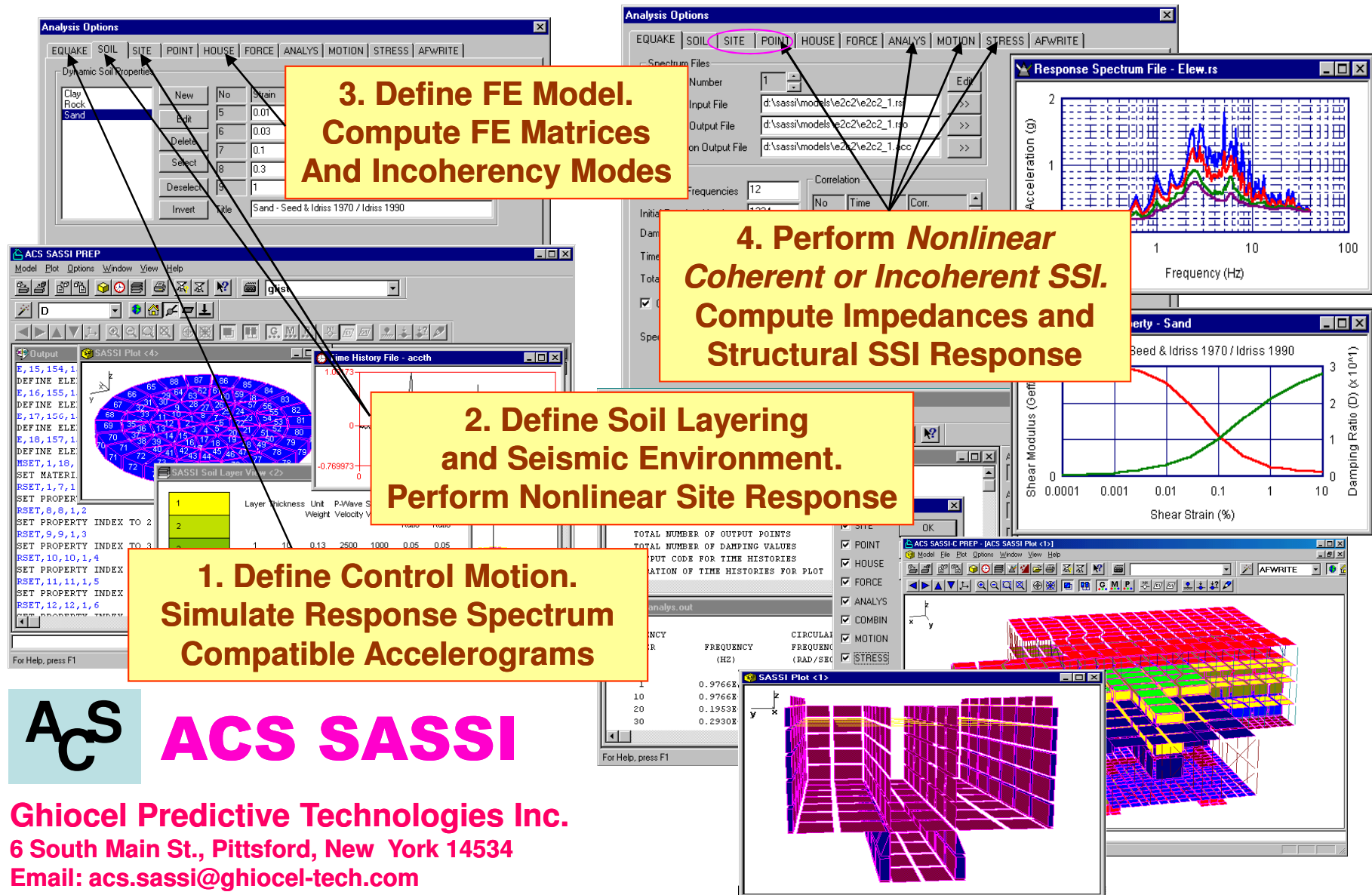


Flexible Volume SSI Substructuring

- No wave scattering analysis.
- Impedance Problem is trivial; reduced to a free-field problem.
- Structural dynamic problem slightly more complex since includes a coupled excavated soil
- Multiple SSSI effects could be analyzed without including FE soil elements! Otherwise impossible...



An Advanced Computational Software for Dynamic Soil-Structure Interaction Analysis on Personal Computers



The image displays the ACS SASSI software interface with several windows open. The 'Analysis Options' window is prominent, showing tabs for EQUAKE, SOIL, SITE, POINT, HOUSE, FORCE, ANALYS, MOTION, STRESS, and AFWRITE. The 'SITE' tab is selected, showing input files and output files. The 'Response Spectrum File - Elew.rs' window shows a plot of Acceleration (g) vs Frequency (Hz). The 'Property - Sand' window shows Shear Modulus (GPa) and Damping Ratio (D) vs Shear Strain (%). The 'SASSI Plot <1>' window shows a 3D model of a structure on a soil grid. The 'SASSI Plot <2>' window shows a 2D plot of Layer thickness vs Weight Velocity. The 'Output' window shows a list of commands and results. The 'Time History File - accth' window shows a plot of Time vs Acceleration. The 'SASSI Plot <3>' window shows a 3D model of a structure on a soil grid.

**3. Define FE Model.
Compute FE Matrices
And Incoherency Modes**

**4. Perform Nonlinear
Coherent or Incoherent SSI.
Compute Impedances and
Structural SSI Response**

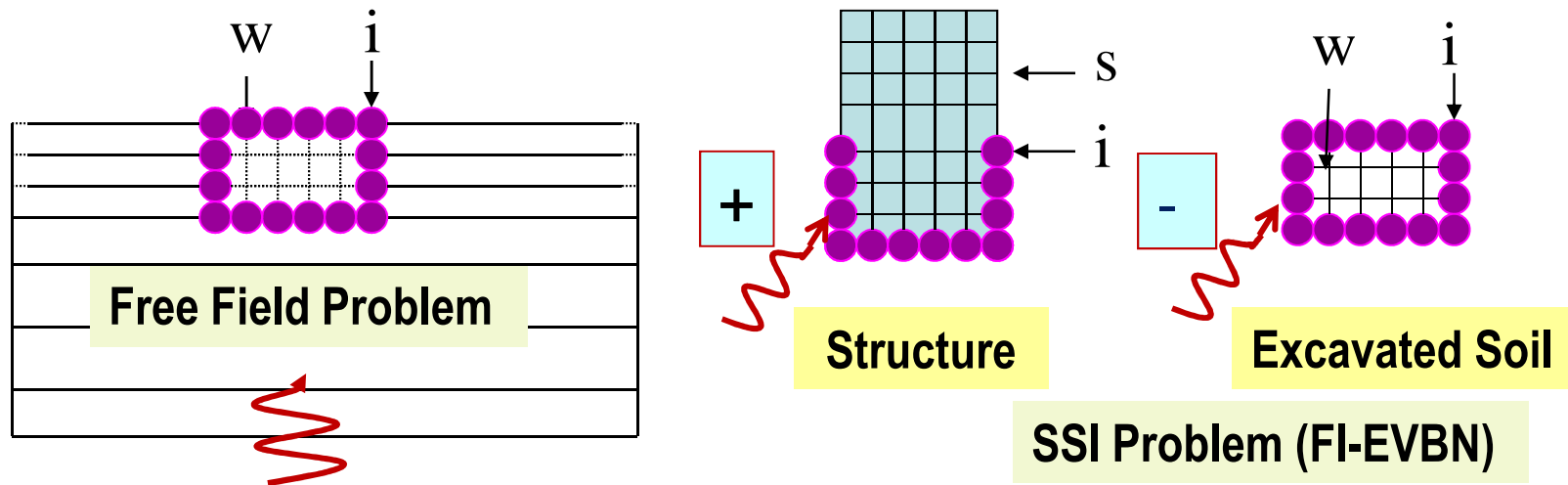
**2. Define Soil Layering
and Seismic Environment.
Perform Nonlinear Site Response**

**1. Define Control Motion.
Simulate Response Spectrum
Compatible Accelerograms**

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Flexible Volume Methods in ACS SASSI



Flexible Volume Method (the interaction nodes are all excavated volume nodes, w and i)

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{ii}^e - C_{ii}^e + X_{ii} & -C_{iw}^e + X_{iw} & C_{is}^s \\ -C_{wi}^e + X_{wi} & -C_{ww}^e + X_{ww} & \mathbf{0} \\ C_{si}^s & \mathbf{0} & C_{ss}^s \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_i \\ U_w \\ U_s \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} X_{ii} U'_i + X_{iw} U'_w \\ X_{wi} U'_i + X_{ww} U'_w \\ \mathbf{0} \end{Bmatrix}$$

Flexible Interface Methods (the interaction nodes are at excavated soil surface nodes, i)

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{ii}^e - C_{ii}^e + X_{ii} & -C_{iw}^e & C_{is}^s \\ -C_{wi}^e & -C_{ww}^e & \mathbf{0} \\ C_{si}^s & \mathbf{0} & C_{ss}^s \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_i \\ U_w \\ U_s \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} X_{ii} U'_i \\ \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{Bmatrix}$$

FI-Foundation-Soil-Interface (Subtraction)
FI-Excavation-Volume-Boundary-Nodes

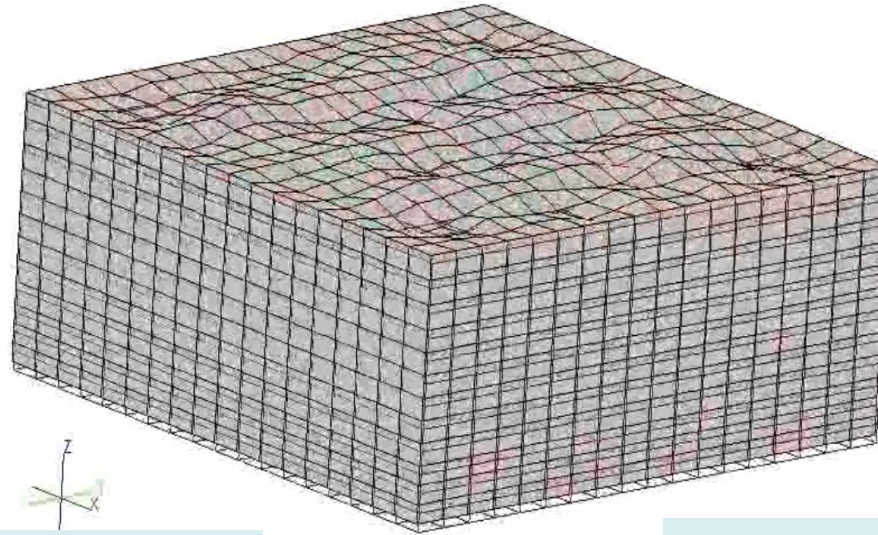
$$\mathbf{C}(\omega)\mathbf{U}(\omega) = \mathbf{Q}(\omega)$$

where $\mathbf{C}(\omega) = \mathbf{K} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M}$

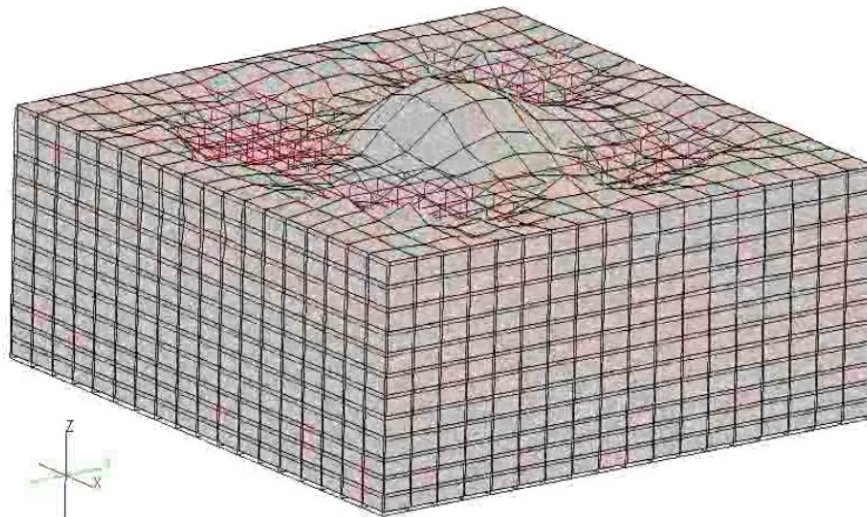
Excavated Soil Motion (Wave Scattering) Using FV Methods

SOFT SOIL
 $V_s=660\text{fps}$

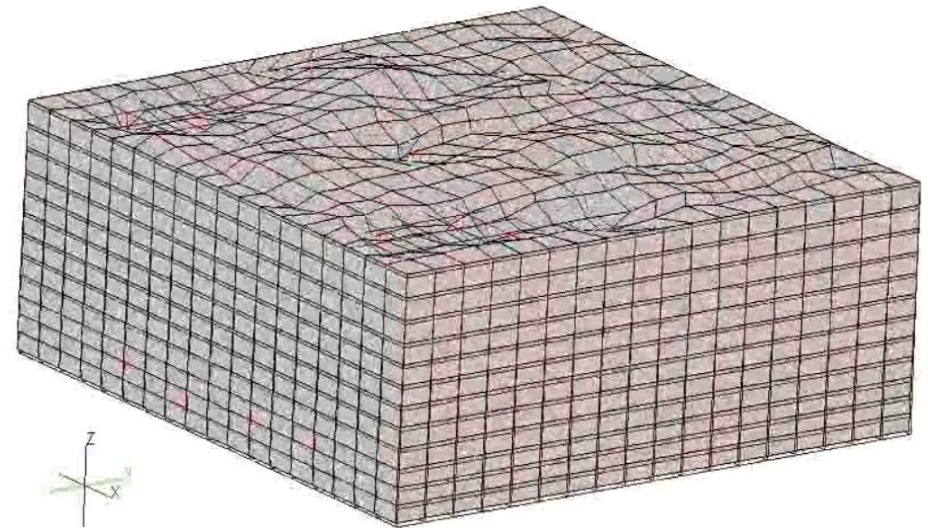
Flexible Volume



Flexible Interface - FSIN



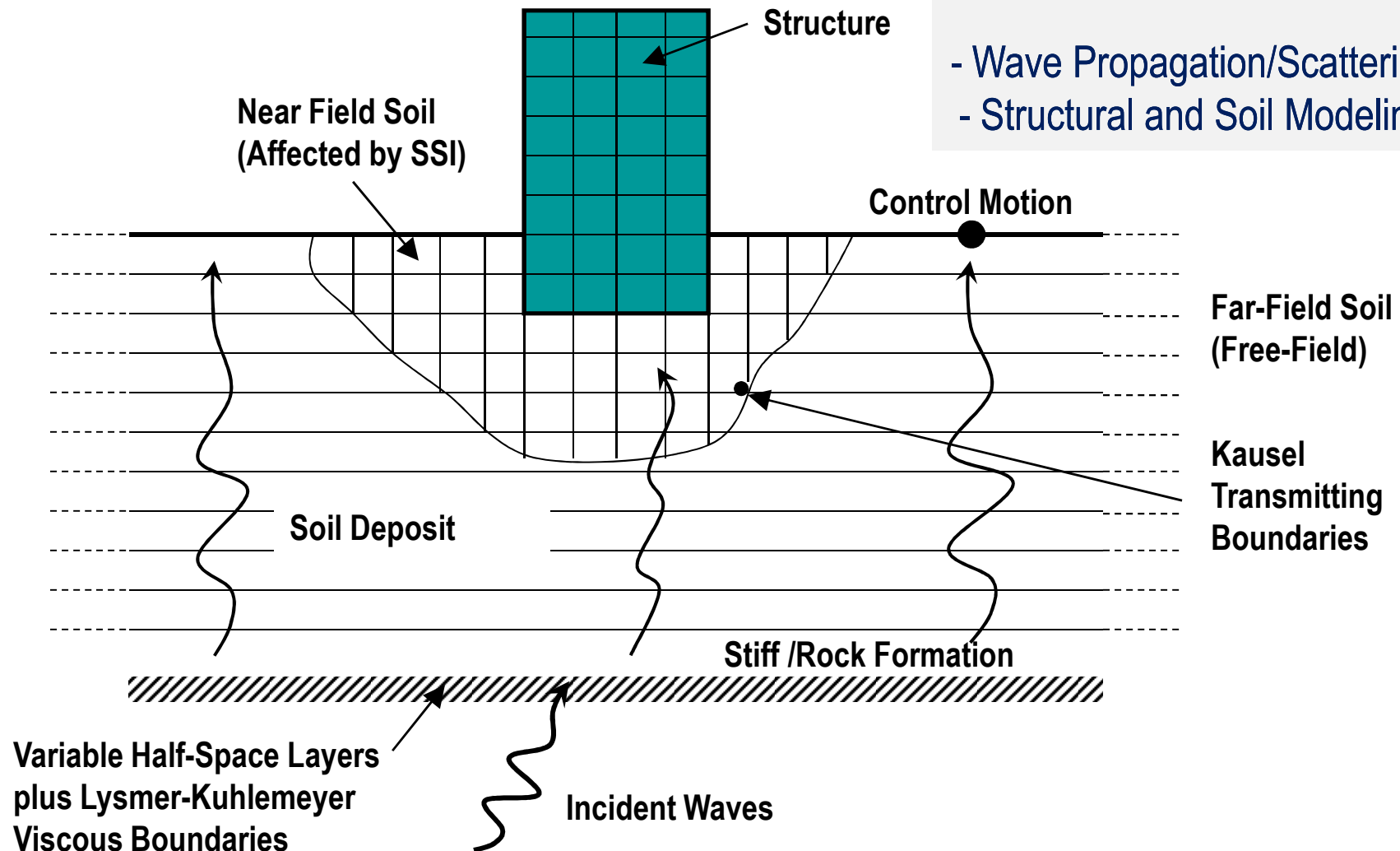
Flexible Interface - EVBN



Seismic SSI Analysis Problem

Seismic SSI Analysis Aspects:

- Wave Propagation/Scattering
- Structural and Soil Modeling



Main Computational SSI Capabilities:

1. Simulation of Input Control Motion

- Generate GRS Compatible Accelerograms (Wilkison-Levy algorithm)
- Use Correlated or Independent Horizontal Components. Include record phasing

2. Nonlinear Site Response Analysis

- Compute Soil Response Under Vertically Propagating S Waves
- Compute Equivalent Soil Properties (computed for effective shear strain)
- Assume Horizontal Infinite Layering with Bottom Baserock (viscous boundary)

3. Nonlinear Seismic Soil-Structure Interaction

- Assume Seismic Environment (S or Sand P waves, Rayleigh waves, others)
- Compute Frequency Dependent Foundation Impedances
- Compute Equivalent Linear SSI Solution Via Sub-Structuring (Flexible Interface)
- Compute Nodal Motions and Stresses/Strains in Soil and Structural FE Elements
- Compute Nodal Relative/Absolute Displacements
- Include Motion Incoherency, Traveling Wave Effects, Multiple Excitations

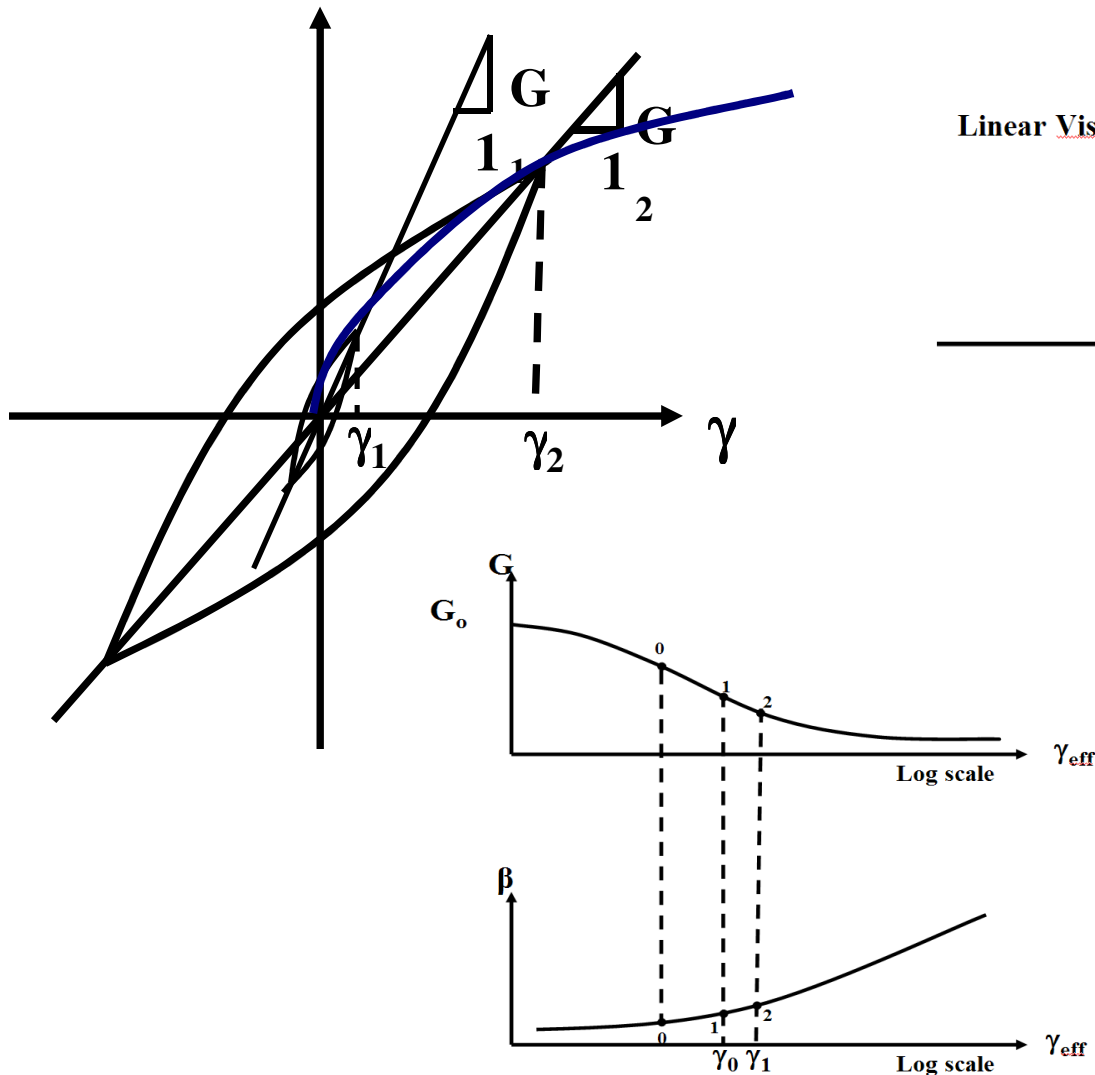
ANIMATIONS

Equivalent-Linear Model for Soil Hysteretic Behavior

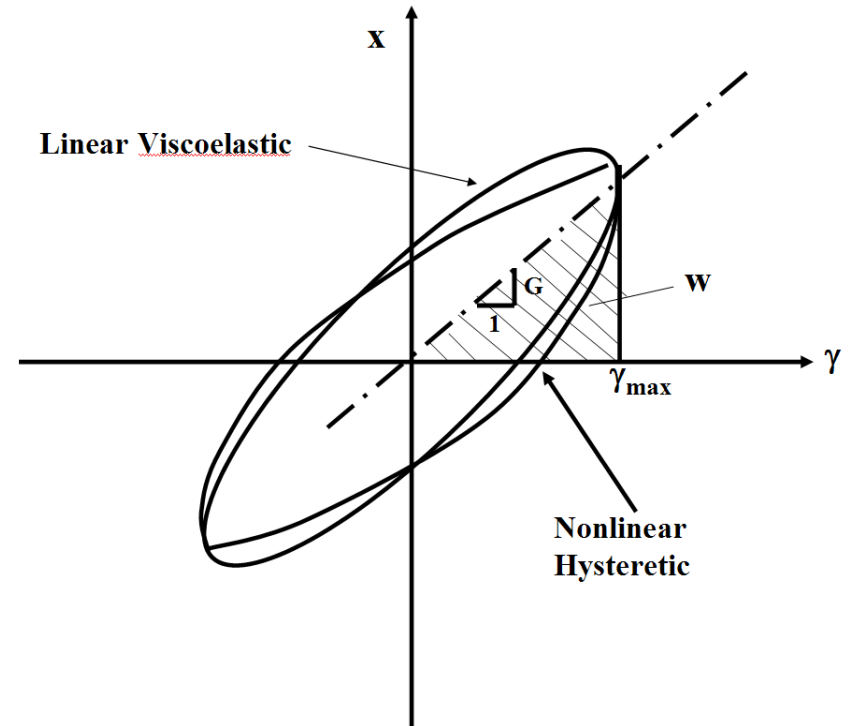
1. The nonlinear properties of the soil are approximated by equivalent linear properties consisting of the shear modulus and damping ratio for the soil which are compatible with the effective shear-strain amplitudes in soil
2. The effects of nonlinear soil behavior include two components:
 - (i) The primary nonlinearity due to seismic wave propagation in free-field
 - (ii) The secondary nonlinearity due to soil-structure interaction effects.
3. A SSI linear analysis which is performed with estimated soil properties provides approximate values of the effective strain amplitude developed in each soil layer. These are used as an initial estimate for soil properties within an iterative process. The iterative process is continued until compatibility is obtained between soil properties and strain amplitudes. The SSI results of the last iteration reanalysis is assumed to represent the nonlinear response. Could be significant for seismic soil pressure distribution.

Seed-Idriss Equivalent Linear Iterative Method

Shear Modulus Variation



Viscous Damping Variation

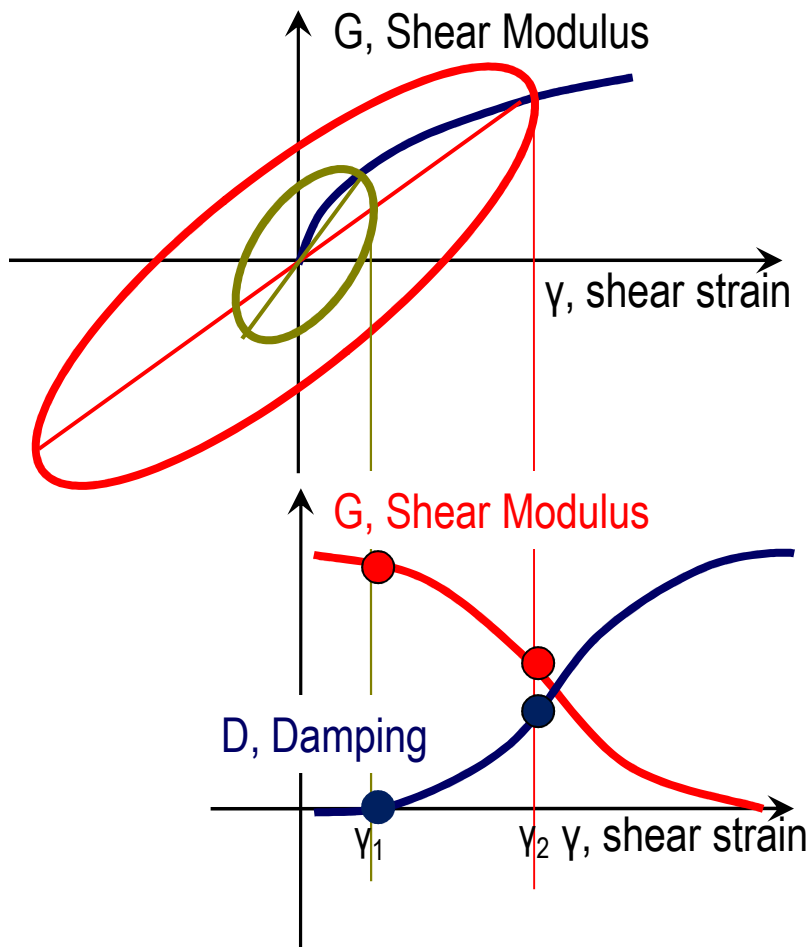


Δw = Area of hysteretic loop

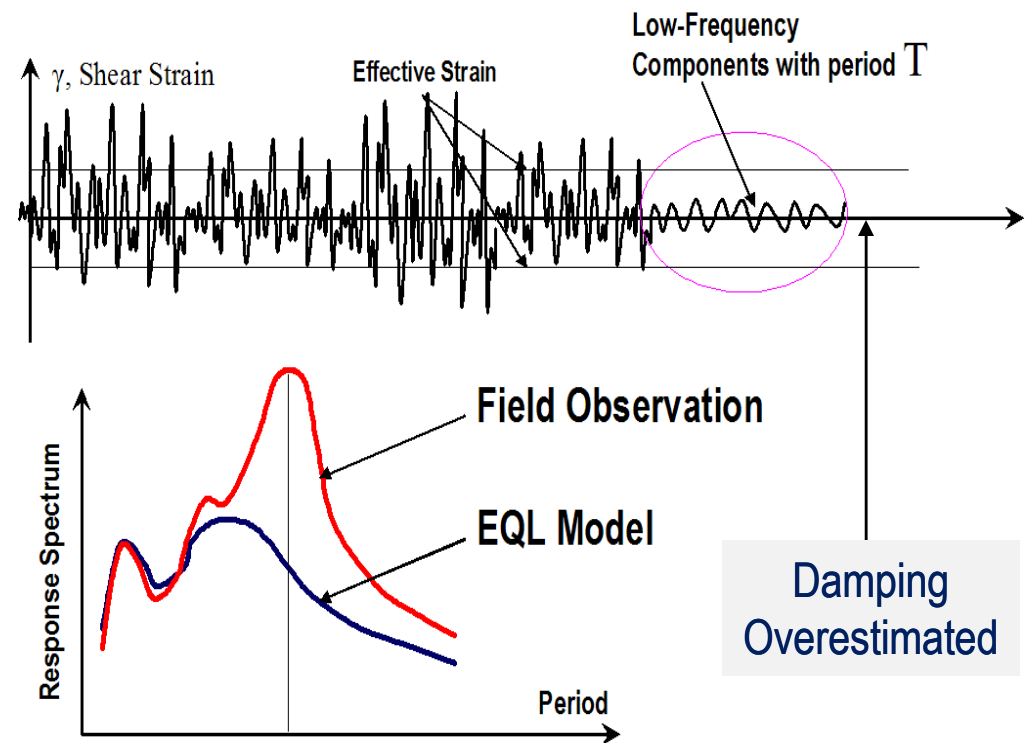
β = critical damping ratio

$$\beta = \frac{1}{4\pi} = \frac{\Delta w}{w}$$

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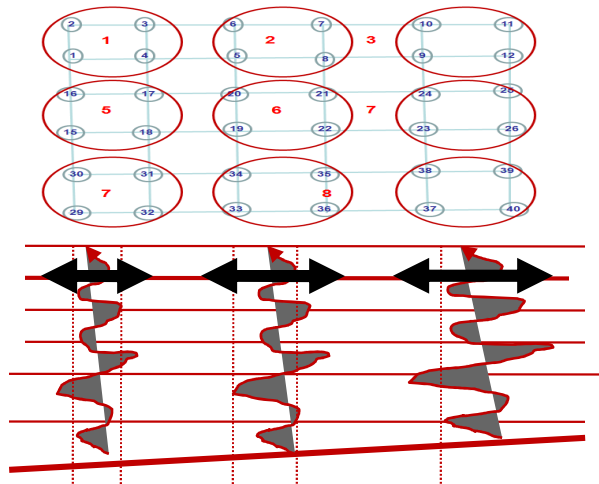


EQ Liner vs. Field Observations

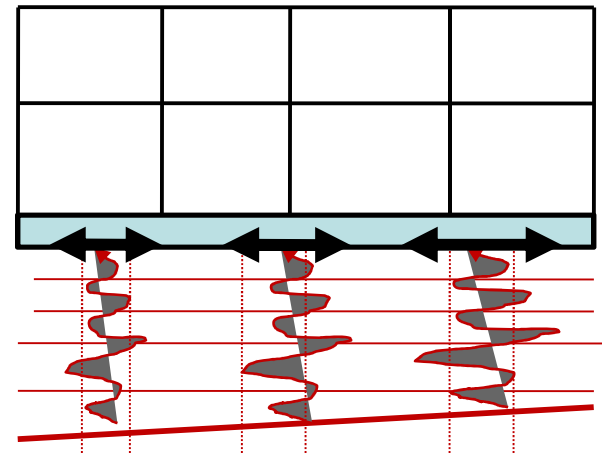


Nonuniform Seismic Input Motion in Horizontal Plane

Multiple Soil Column Response Analyses



Non-Uniform Excitation and Soil Stiffness

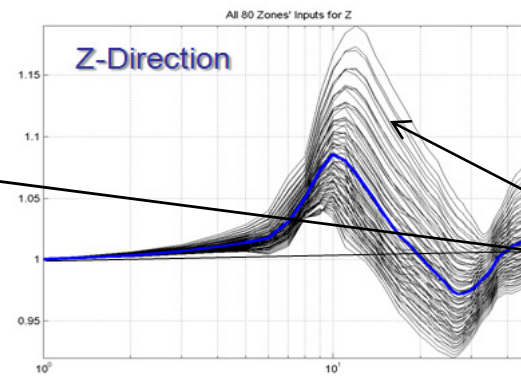
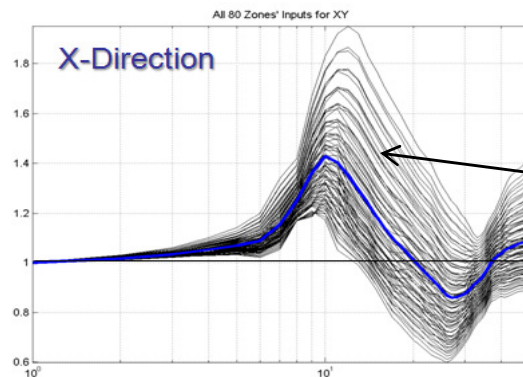
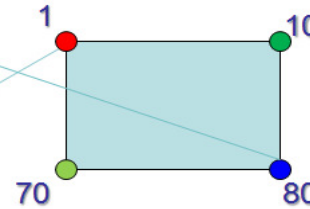
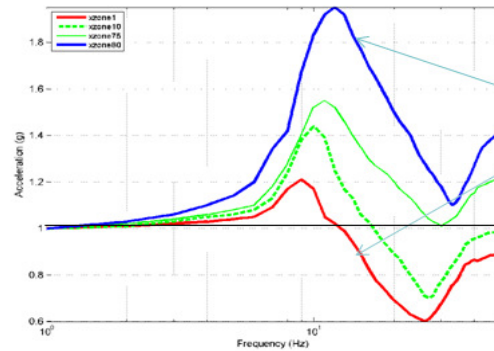


ACS SASSI Version 2.3.0 has the capability to consider deterministic spatial variation patterns for differential input motions in the horizontal plane.

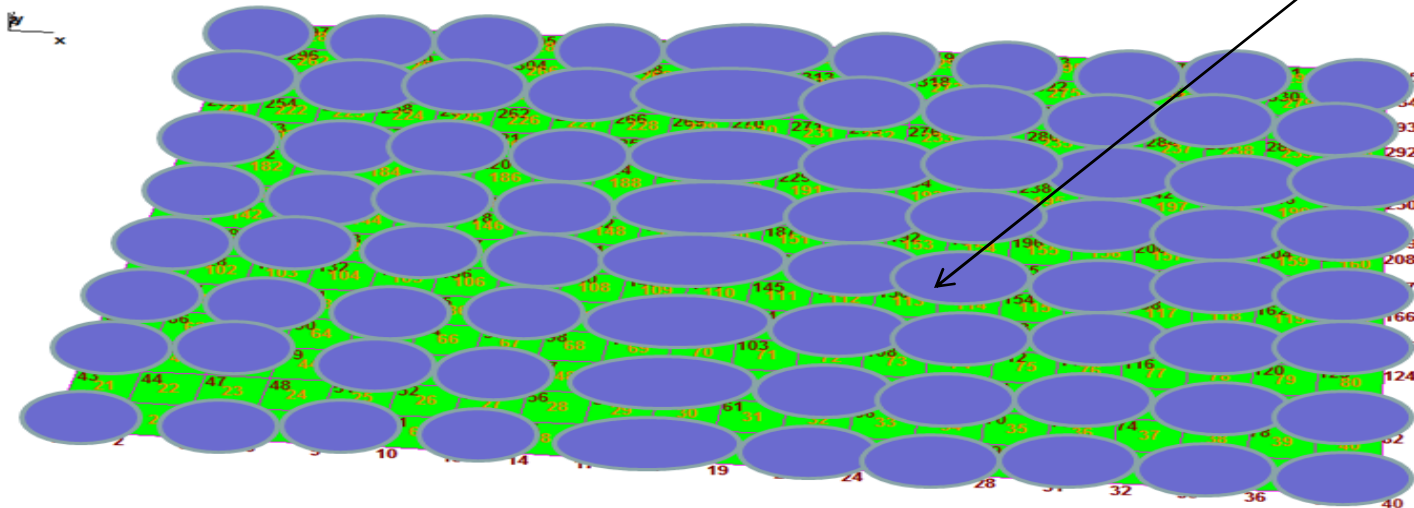
These deterministic spatial variation effects can be combined with the effects of motion incoherency and wave passage to create more realistic seismic inputs for SSI analysis of NPP structures, especially for those that have large foundation sizes.

Nonuniform Seismic Input Motion in Horizontal Plane

Multiple
borehole
soil
column
models



Each zone
has different
inputs that can
be different for
X, Y and Z
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ACS SASSI-ANSYS Integration for Seismic Soil-Structure Interaction Analysis of Nuclear/Critical Facility Structures

ACS SASSI-ANSYS integration provides new SSI analysis capabilities:

For structural stress analysis:

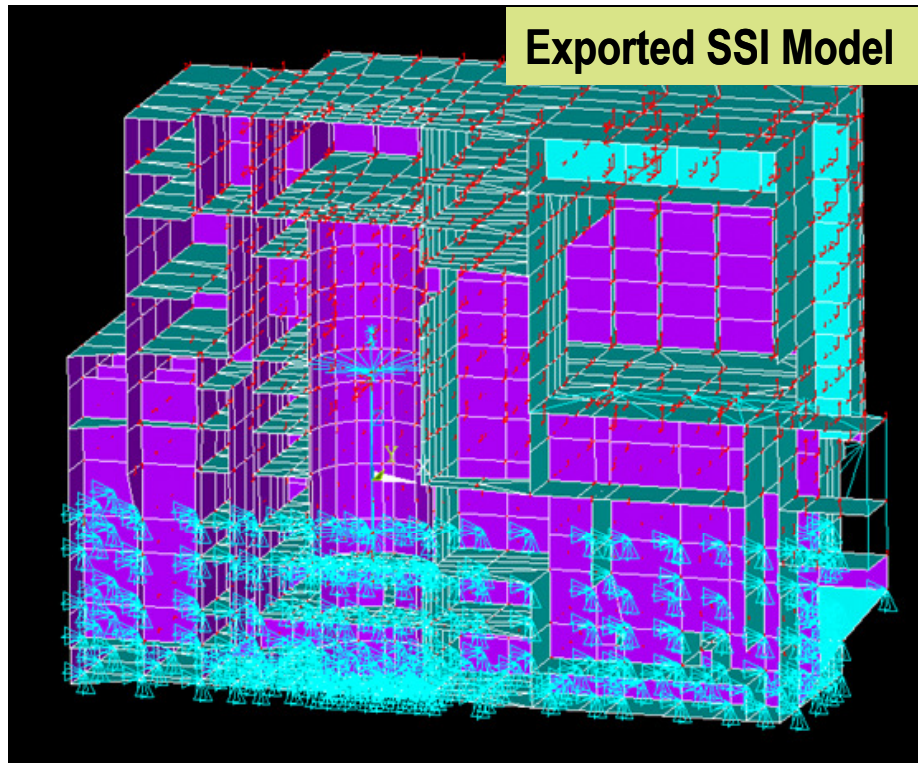
- *ANSYS Equivalent-Static Seismic SSI Analysis* Using Refined Mesh FE Models
- *ANSYS Dynamic Seismic SSI Analysis* Using Nonlinear or More Refined FE Models

(including refined mesh, element types including local nonlinearities, nonlinear materials, contact elements, etc.)

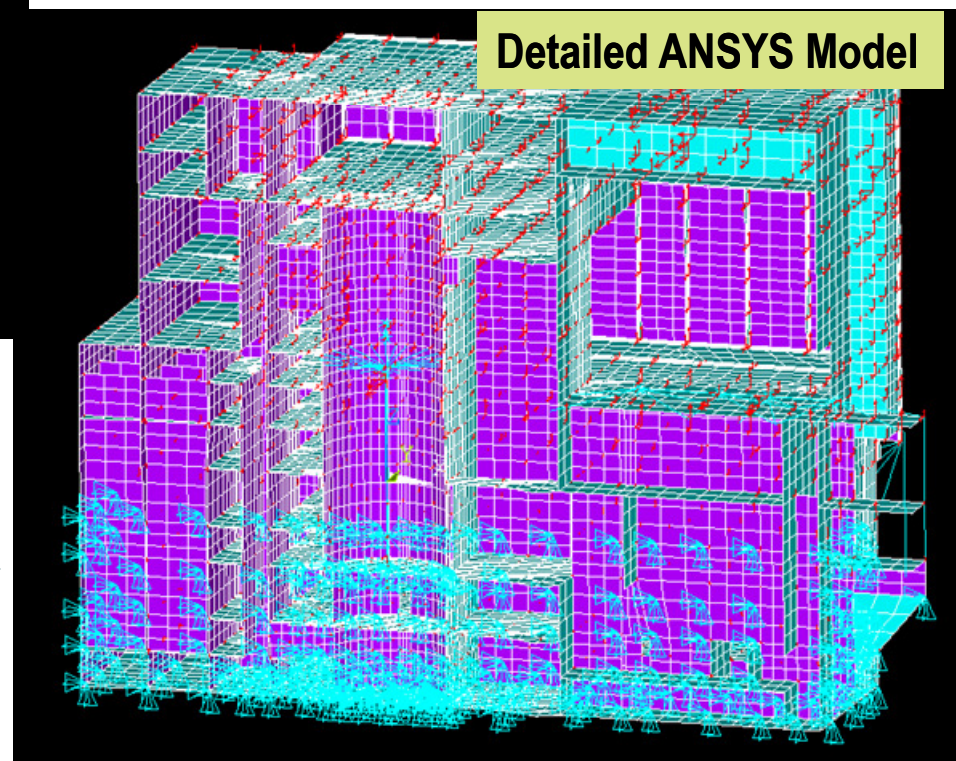
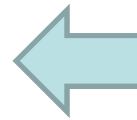
For soil pressure computation:

- *ANSYS Equivalent-Static Seismic Soil Pressure Computation* Including Soil-Foundation Separation Effects

ACS SASSI – ANSYS Interface for Refined Seismic Stress Analysis



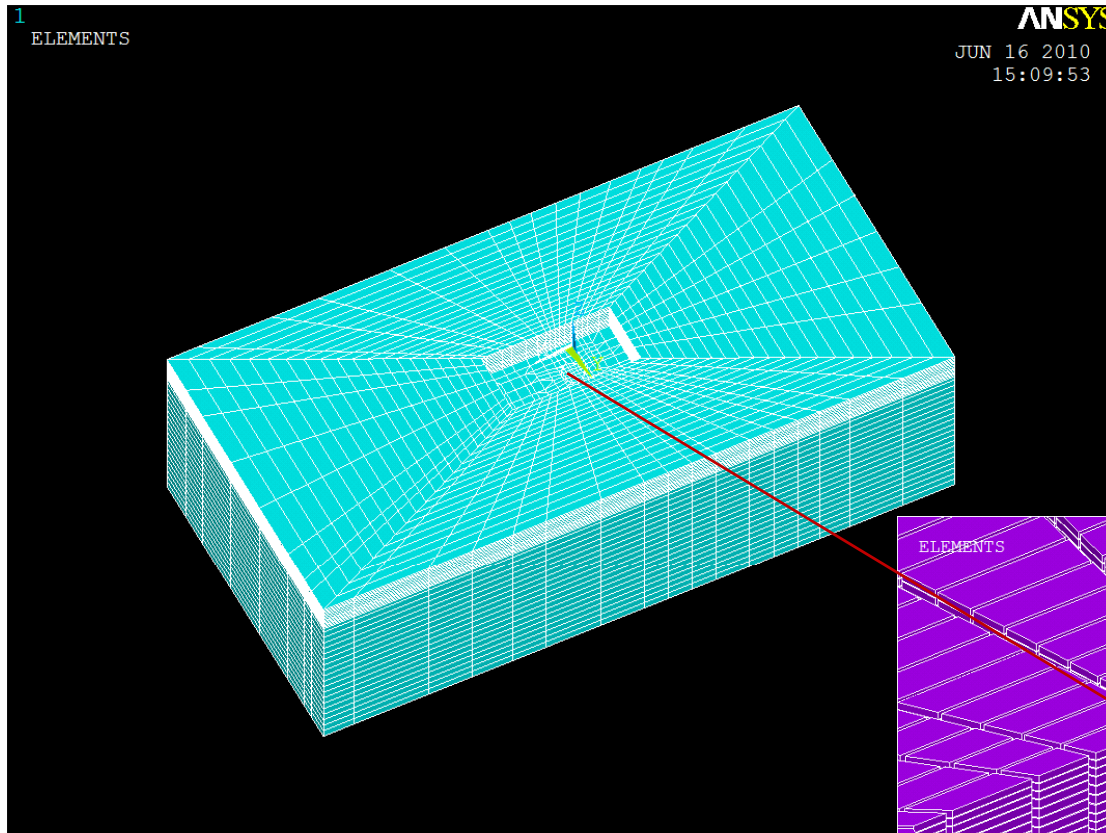
ANSYS Structural Model
Automatically Converted From
ACS SASSI Using PREP Module



ANSYS Refined Structural Model
Using EREFINE command or
ANSYS GUI (rank 1-6)

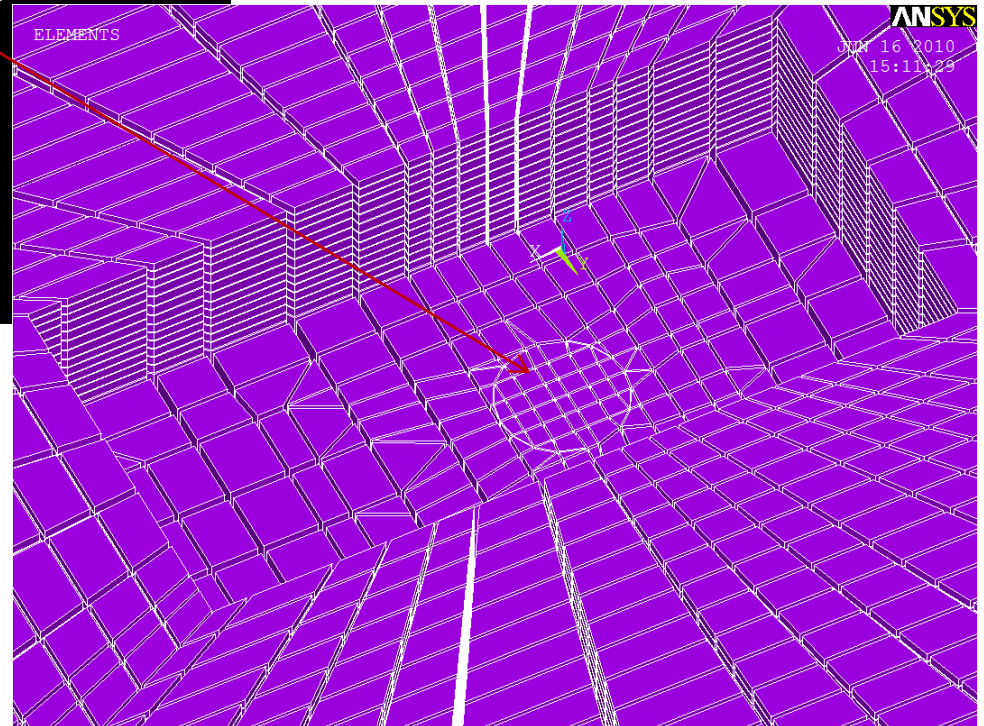


ACS SASSI – ANSYS Interface for Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis



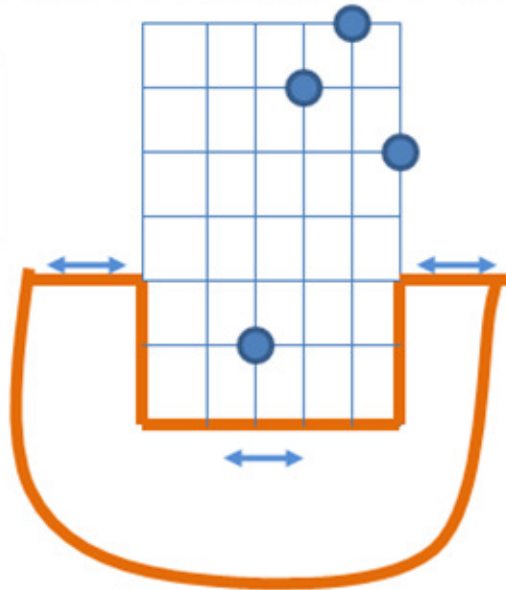
ANSYS Soil FE Model
Is Automatically Generated
by SOILMESH Module

Embedment mesh is extended.
User controls extension size and
mesh density. Can use EREFINE.
Contact surfaces automatically added
By ACS SASSI SOILMESH module.



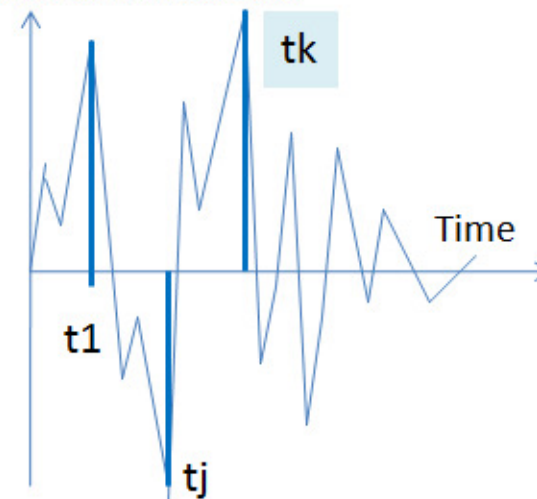
ACS SASSI Seismic SSI Analysis

Computing
Structural
Stress/Forces



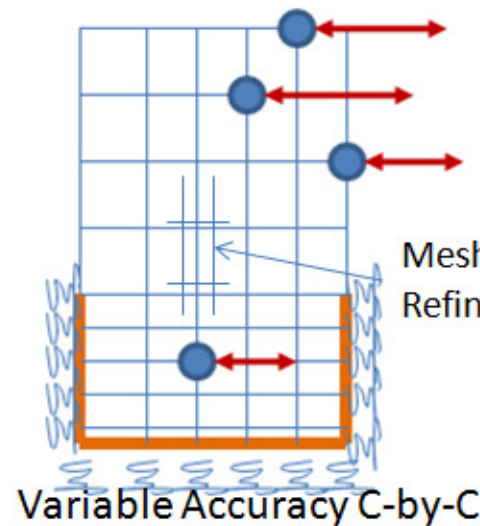
Selected Critical Time Steps for Maximum Stresses
To be Used for Equivalent Static Structural Analysis

Structural Element Stress

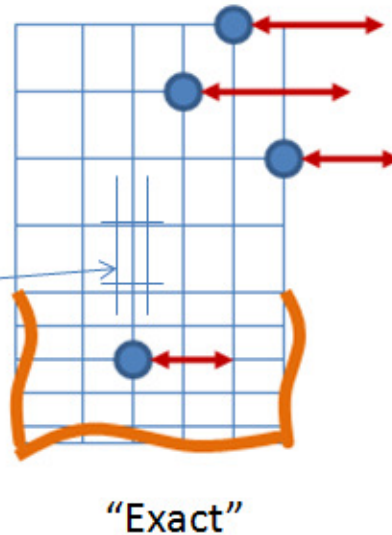


SSI Solution Time Frames As Equivalent Static Structural Loading at Critical Time Steps

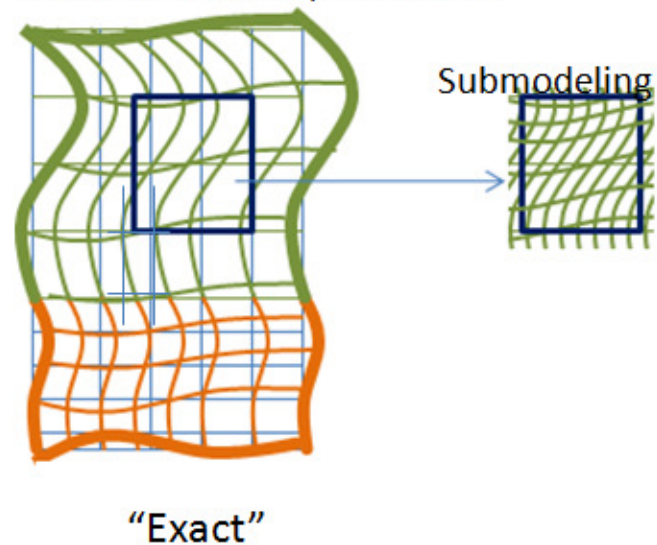
EQS Forces + BC Springs



EQS Forces + BC Displacements

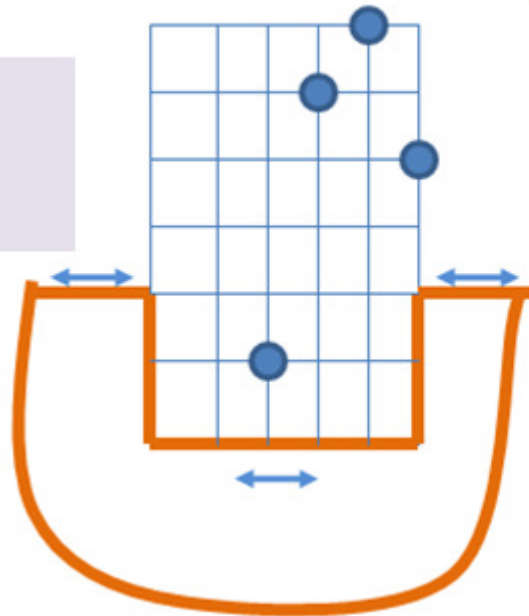


EQS Relative Displacements



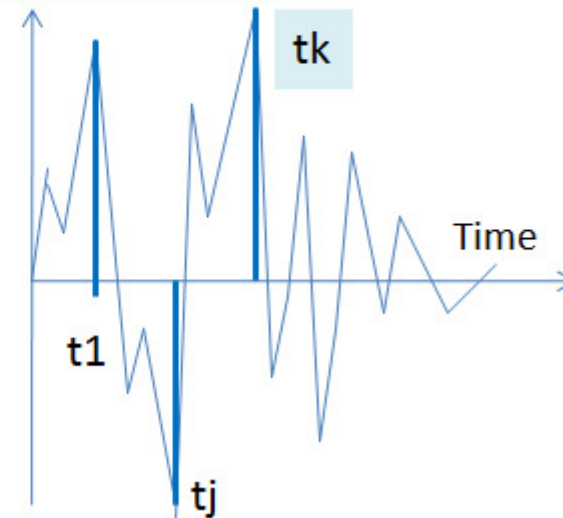
ACS SASSI Seismic SSI Analysis

Computing
Seismic Soil
Pressures



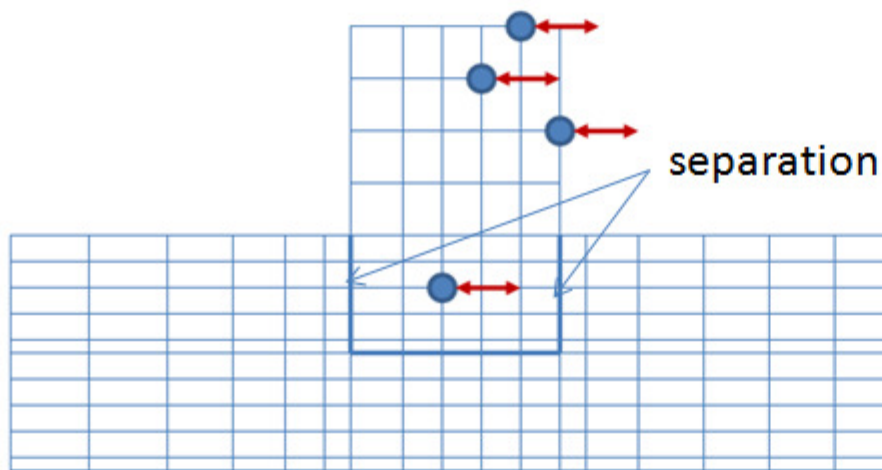
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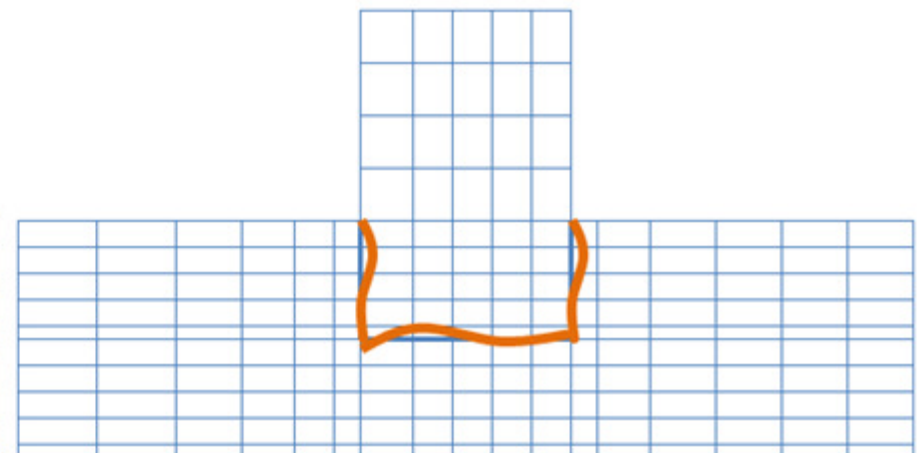


SSI Solution Time Frames As Equivalent Static Loading at Critical Time Steps

EQS Forces – Linear & Nonlinear



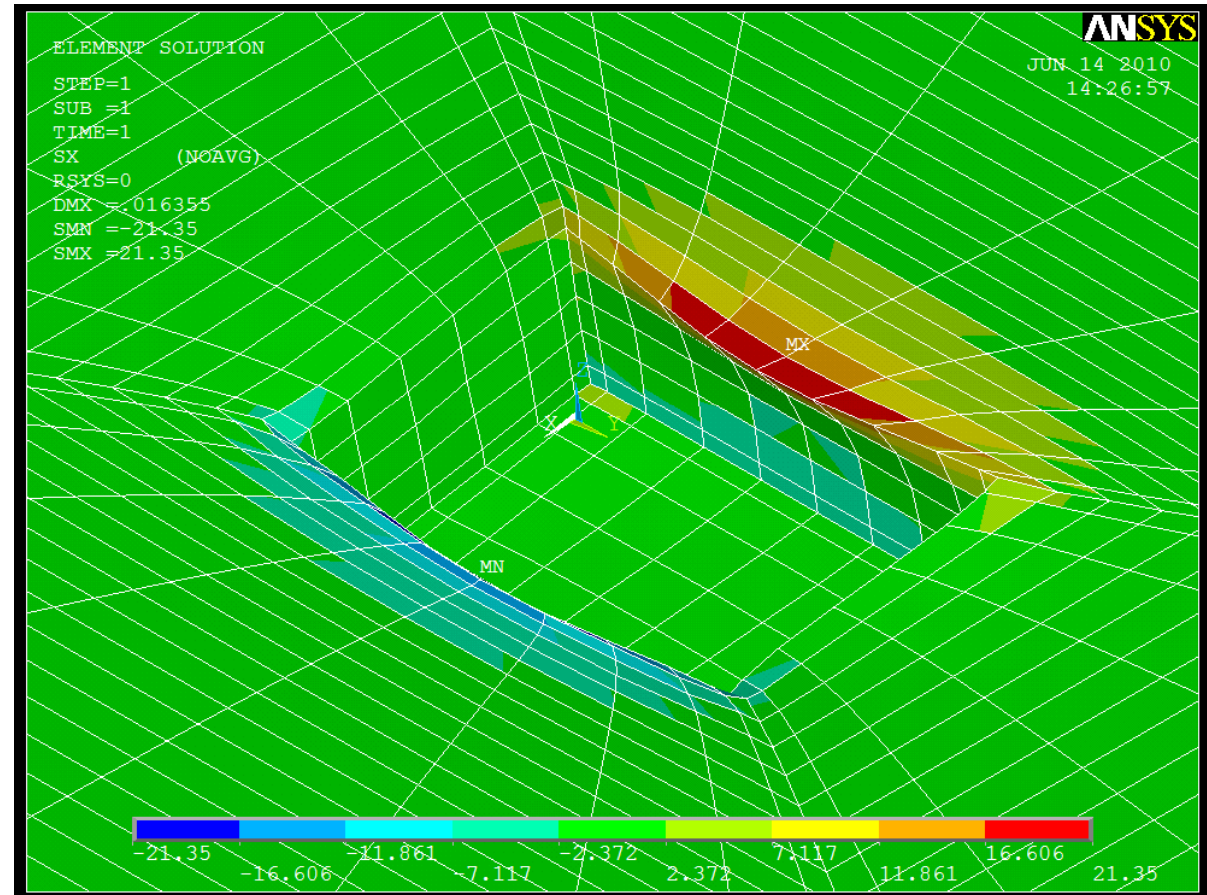
EQS Relative Displacements – Linear (Welded)



Linear Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis

LINEAR (WELDED SOIL)

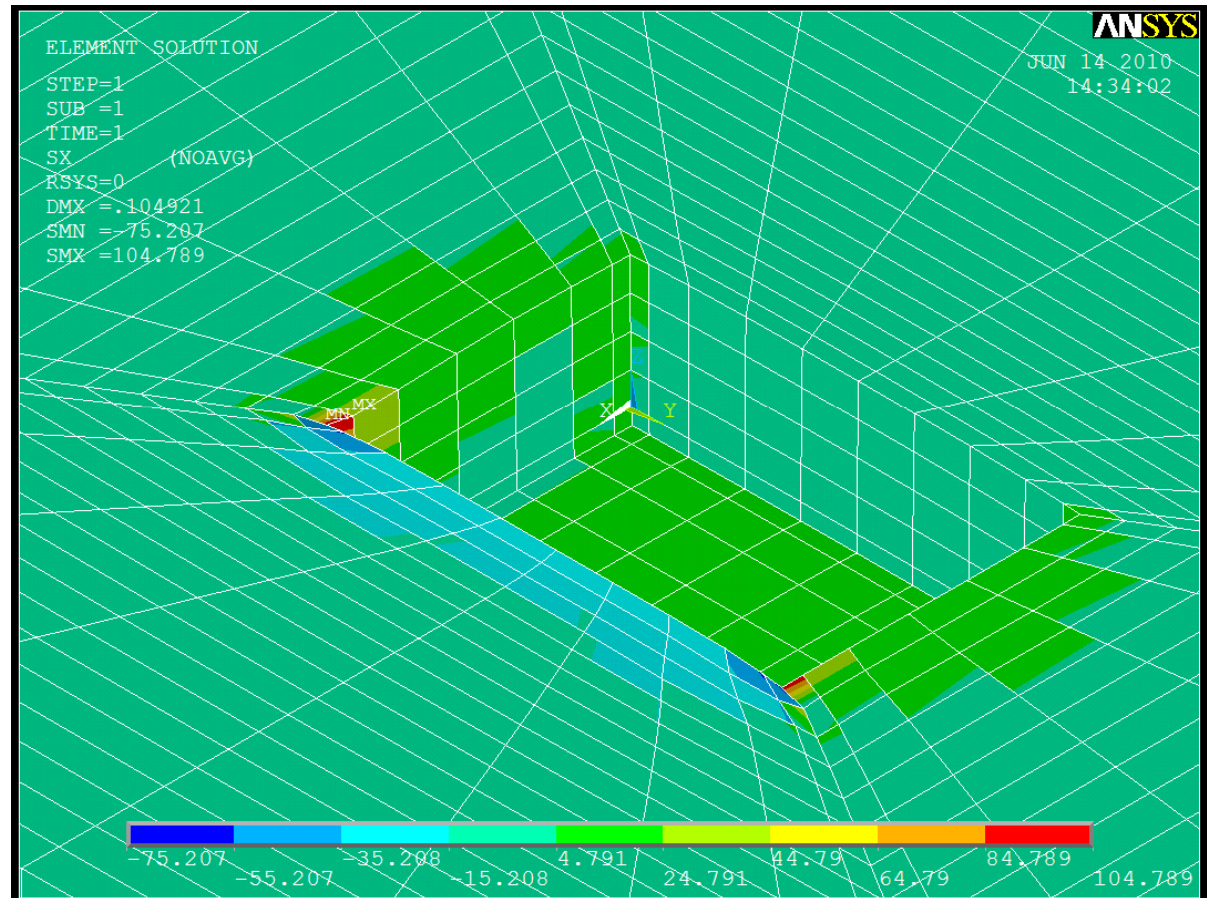
- This option provides for a basic soil pressure analysis assuming there is no separation possible between the structure and the soil
- Displacements from the interaction nodes of the structure are applied directly to the soil FE model. The structural FE model is not required for this case



Nonlinear Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis

NONLINEAR CONTACT (FOUNDATION SEPARATION)

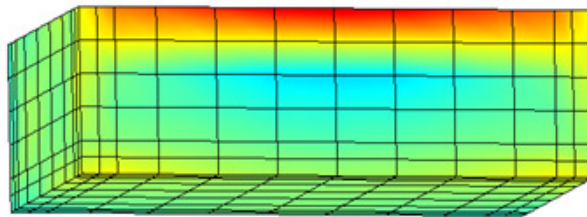
- This option allows for the structure to separate from the soil using surface to surface contact elements in ANSYS
- Both the structural elements and the soil elements are required. Both APDL files written from SOILMESH must be loaded into ANSYS.
- Inertial Force should be applied to the structure.
- Contact and target surfaces are included in the soil FE model



ACS SASSI and ANSYS Element Stresses for X-Input (Frame 903)

Linear SSI Analysis

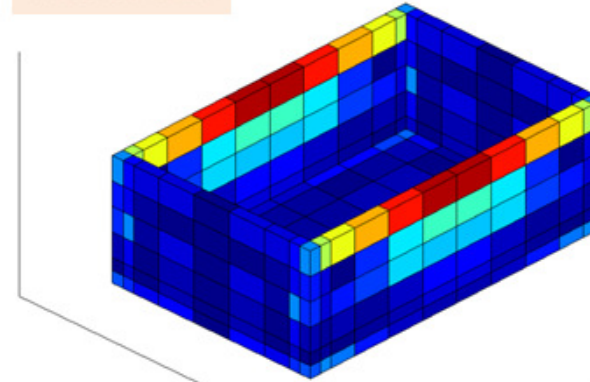
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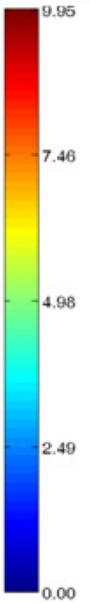
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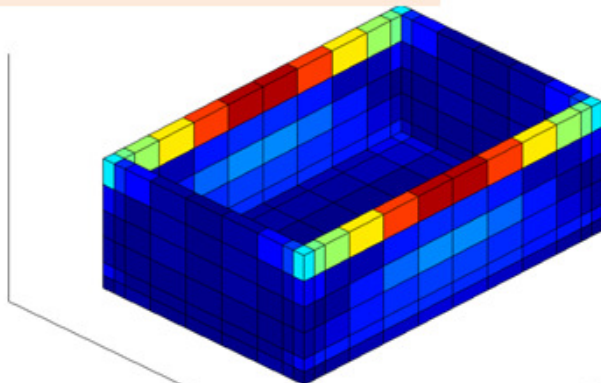
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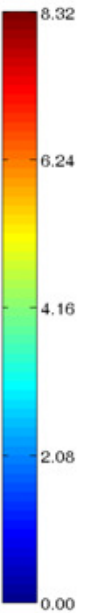
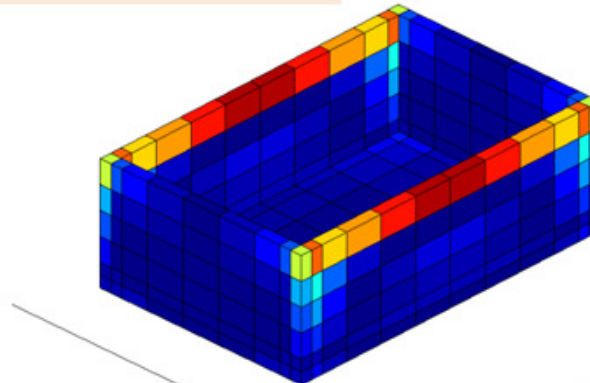
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ANSYS Displacements Input



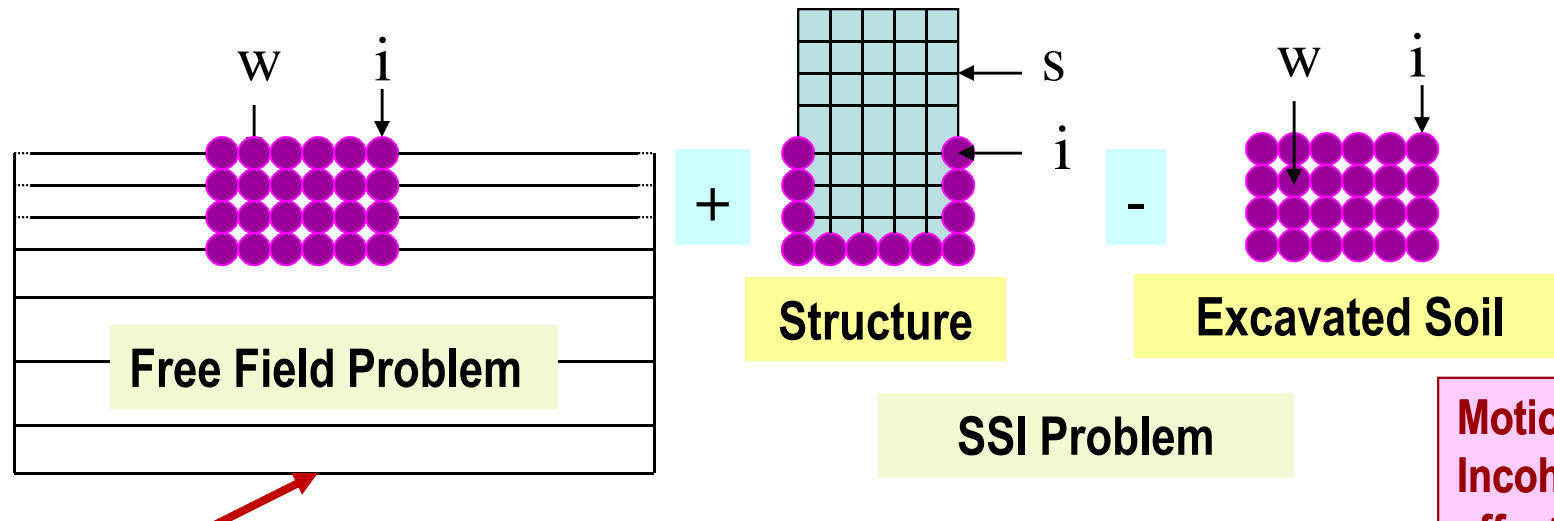
ANSYS Forces Input



ACS SASSI NQA Version 2.3.0 Incoherent SSI Capabilities

- Developed under the nuclear QA program of GP Technologies, Inc. Includes an active NQA maintenance service including tech support and bug and error reporting under 10CFR Part21.
- ACS SASSI approaches includes *all* the incoherent SSI approaches validated by EPRI (2007 EPRI TR# 1015111) and endorsed by US NRC (ISG-01, May, 2008).
- It includes a stochastic approach (used as reference method in the 2007 EPRI report) and five deterministic approaches (2 used in the 2007 EPRI report and 3 others) including AS with & without phase adjustment , SRSS TF with zero-phase and coherent phase and SRSS RS (this was used in the 1997 EPRI TR# 102631, but not validated by 2007 EPRI TR# 1015111).

Incoherent SSI Analysis in ACS SASSI



Motion Incoherency affects free-field motion at interaction nodes

Flexible Volume Method (using all excavated volume nodes)

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{ii}^e - C_{ii}^e + X_{ii} & -C_{iw}^e - X_{iw} & C_{is}^s \\ -C_{wi}^e + X_{wi} & -C_{ww}^e + X_{ww} & 0 \\ C_{si}^s & 0 & C_{ss}^s \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_i \\ U_w \\ U_s \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} X_{ii} U'_i + X_{iw} U'_w \\ X_{wi} U'_i + X_{ww} U'_w \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Flexible Interface Methods (using boundary volume nodes)

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{ii}^e - C_{ii}^e + X_{ii} & -C_{iw}^e & C_{is}^s \\ -C_{wi}^e & -C_{ww}^e & 0 \\ C_{si}^s & 0 & C_{ss}^s \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_i \\ U_w \\ U_s \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} X_{ii} U'_i \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C}(\omega)\mathbf{U}(\omega) = \mathbf{Q}(\omega)$$

where $\mathbf{C}(\omega) = \mathbf{K} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M}$

Seismic SSI Analysis Using ACS SASSI

The complex frequency response is computed as follows:

- Coherent SSI response:

Structural transfer function given input at interaction nodes

Coherent ground transfer function at interface nodes given control motion

Complex Fourier transform of control motion

$$U_s(\omega) = H_s(\omega) * H_g^c(\omega) * U_{g,0}(\omega)$$
- Incoherent SSI response:

Incoherent ground transfer function given coherent ground motion and coherency model (random spatial variation in horizontal plane)

Complex Fourier transform of relative spatial variations of motion at interaction nodes that is stochastic by nature

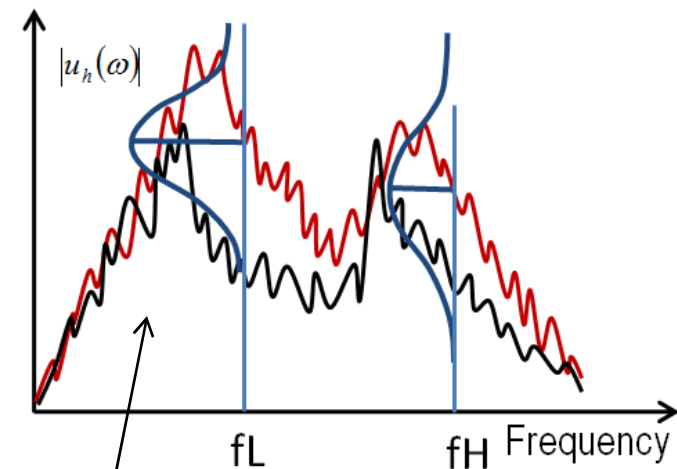
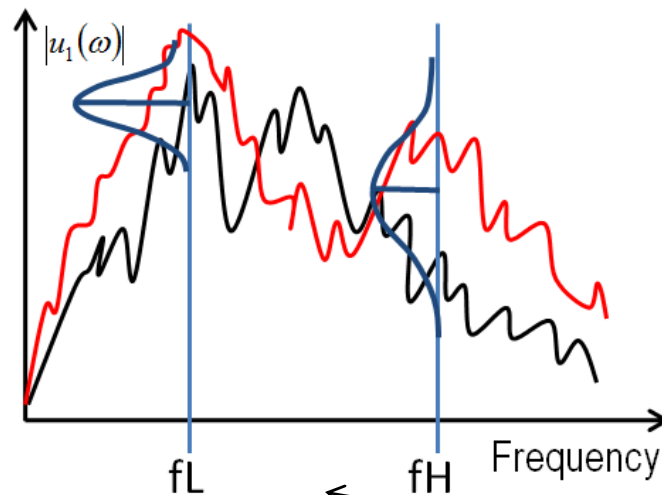
Random phases (stochastic part)

Spectral factorization of coherency kernel

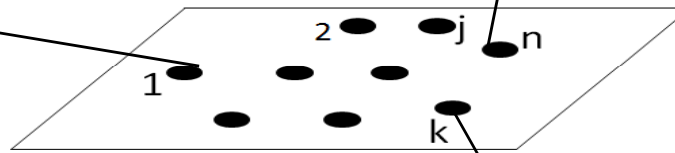
$$U_s(\omega) = H_s(\omega) * S_g^i(\omega) * H_g^c(\omega) * U_{g,0}(\omega)$$

$$S_g(\omega) = [\Phi(\omega)][\lambda(\omega)]\{\eta_\theta\}$$

3D Stochastic Wave Model: Incoherent Motion Field



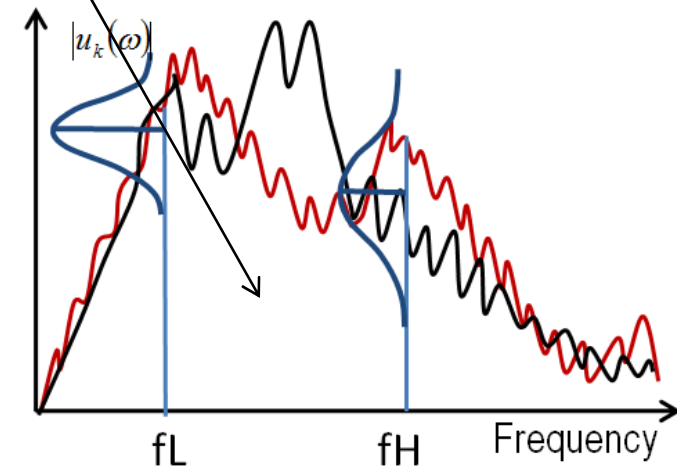
Coherent Function



$$\Gamma_{Uj,Uk}(\omega) = \frac{S_{Uj,Uk}(\omega)}{[S_{Uj,Uj}(\omega)S_{Uk,Uk}(\omega)]^{1/2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{U U i,Uk}(\omega) = \Gamma_{L U i,Uk}(\omega) \exp [i\omega(X_{D,i} - X_{D,k})/V_D]$$

$$\gamma_{ij}(\omega) = \frac{E[|u_i(\omega)||u_j(\omega)|]}{E[|u_i(\omega)|]^{1/2} E[|u_j(\omega)|]^{1/2}} \exp\left(i\omega \frac{\Delta_{ij}}{V_a}\right)$$



Seismic Motion Plane-Wave Coherency Function

- Assuming that motion is a Gaussian vector process, then it is fully defined in frequency domain by

$$S_{U_j, U_k}(\omega) = [S_{U_j, U_j}(\omega) S_{U_k, U_k}(\omega)]^{1/2} \Gamma_{U_j, U_k}(\omega)$$

← local variability
← spatial correlation

Thus, for two arbitrary points in horizontal plane, j and k, the coherency spectrum or coherence is defined by

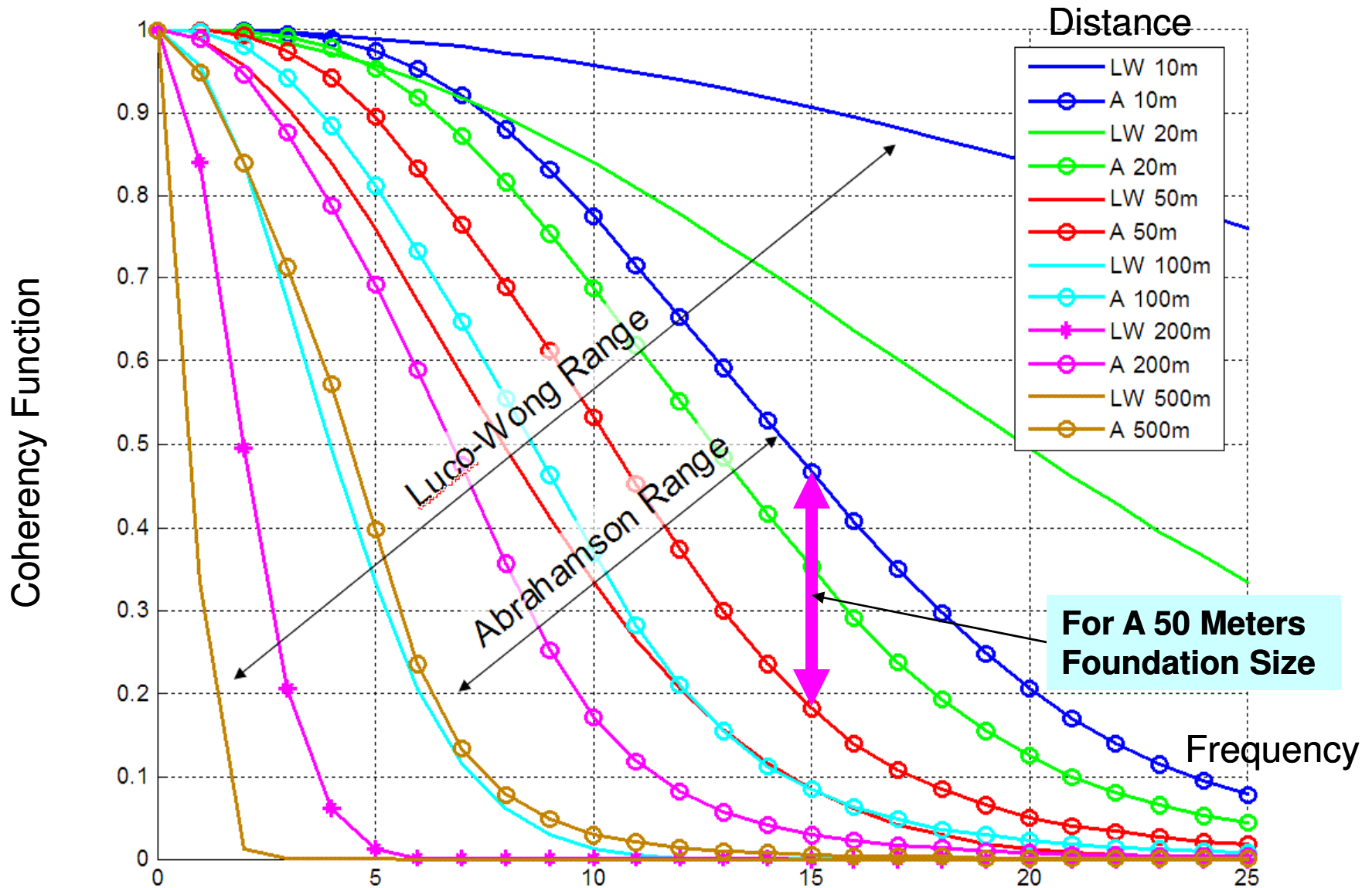
$$\Gamma_{U_j, U_k}(\omega) = \frac{S_{U_j, U_k}(\omega)}{[S_{U_j, U_j}(\omega) S_{U_k, U_k}(\omega)]^{1/2}}$$

- The “plane-wave coherency” function for SSI analysis is defined as a complex function (Abrahamson, 1991-2007) including “spatial incoherency” (amplitude) and “wave passage” (phase) effects

$$\Gamma_{U_i, U_k}(\omega) = \Gamma_{PW U_i, U_k}(\omega) \exp [i\omega(X_{D,i} - X_{D,k}) / V_D]$$

amplitude variability
phase shift

Comparison of 1986 Luco-Wong and 2005 Abrahamson Plane-Wave Incoherency Models



Implemented Plane-Wave Incoherency Models

There are 6 plane-wave incoherency models (with wave passage effects):

- 1) For Luco-Wong model, 1986 (theoretical, unvalidated, geom anisotropic)
- 2) For 1993 Abrahamson model for all sites and surface foundations
- 3) For 2005 Abrahamson model for all sites and surface foundations
- 4) For 2006 Abrahamson model for all sites and embedded foundations
- 5) *For 2007 Abrahamson model for hard-rock sites and all foundations (NRC)*
- 6) *For 2007 Abrahamson model for soil sites and surface foundations*

NOTE:

It should be noted that at this time only the 2007 Abrahamson for hard-rock site conditions is permitted by US NRC.

2007 Abrahamson Coherence for Hard-Rock and Soil Sites

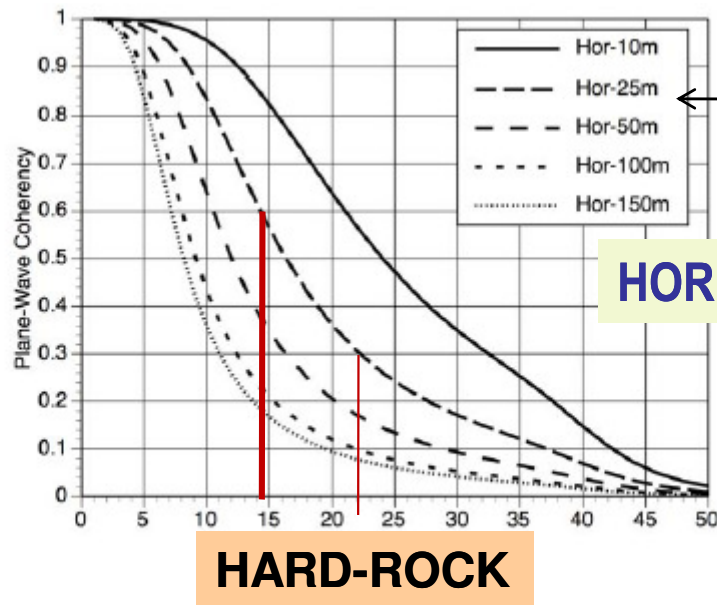


Figure 6-1
Plane-Wave Coherency for the Horizontal Component

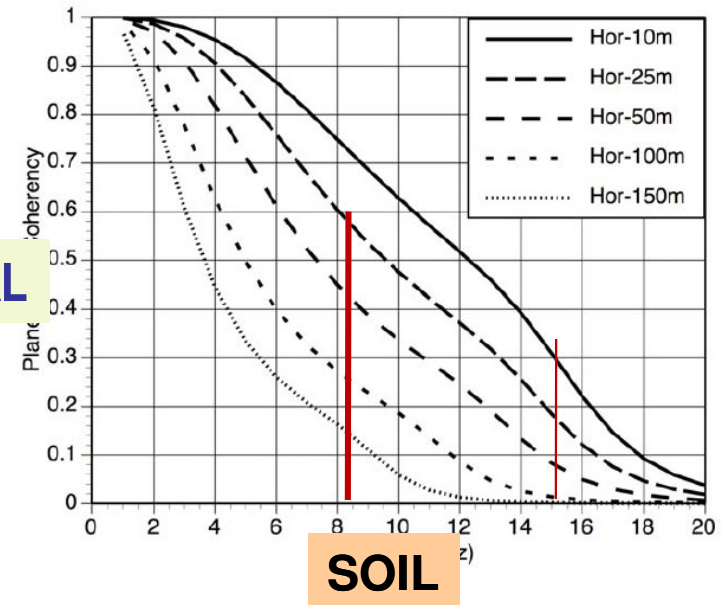


Figure 7-1
Plane-Wave Coherency for the Horizontal Component for Soil Sites

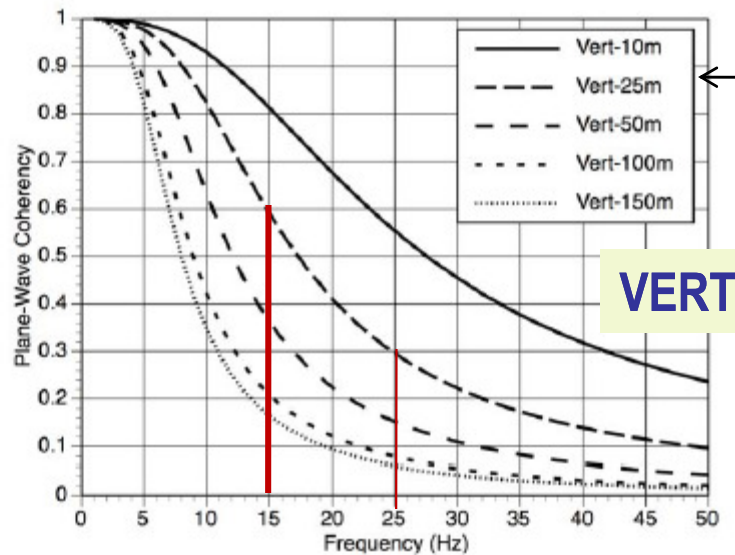


Figure 6-2
Plane-Wave Coherency for the Vertical Component

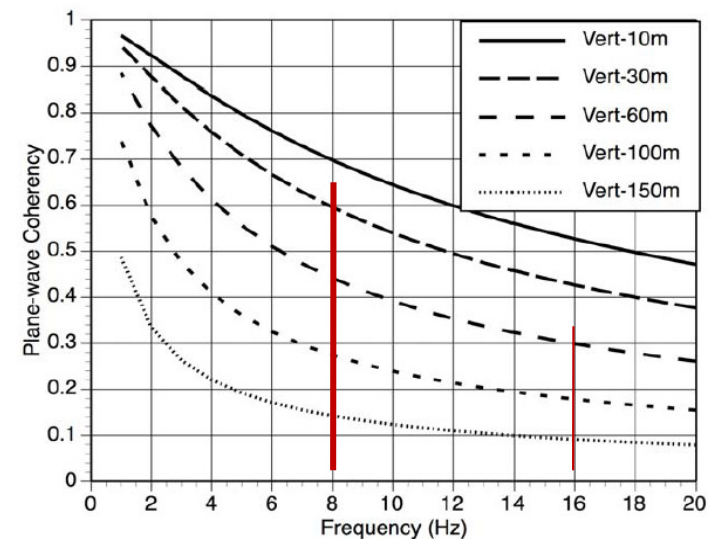
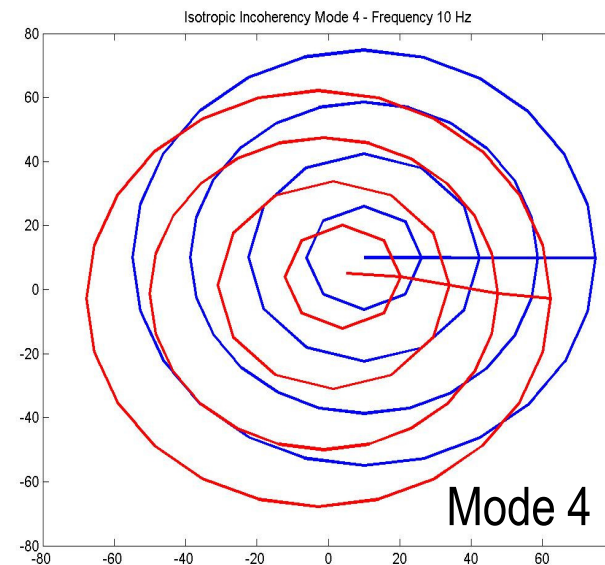
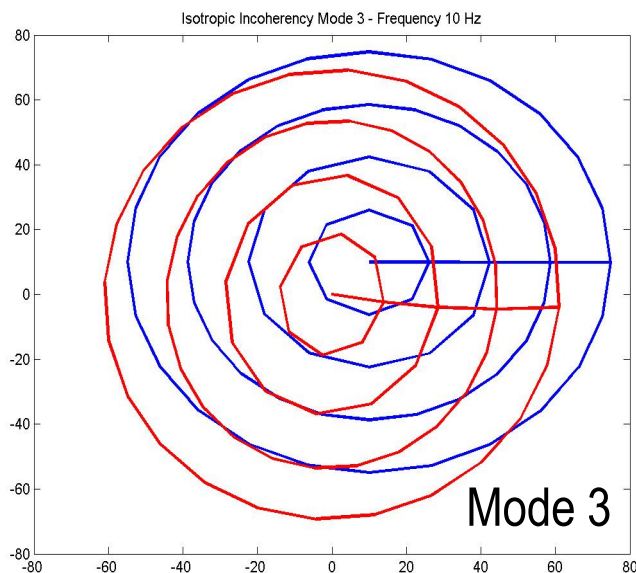
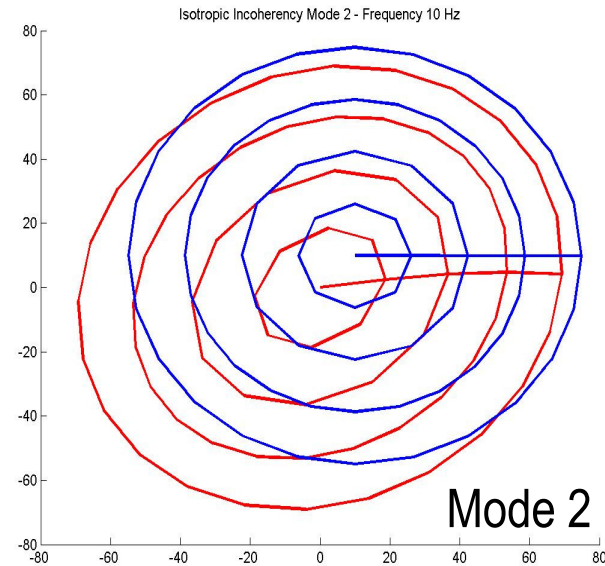
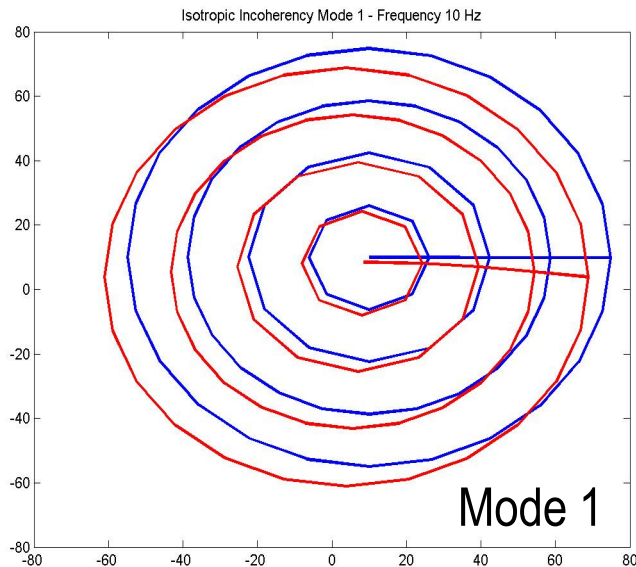


Figure 7-2
Plane-Wave Coherency for the Vertical Component for Soil Sites

(EPRI TR # 1015110, December 2007)

Motion Incoherency Modes of Basemat at 10 Hz



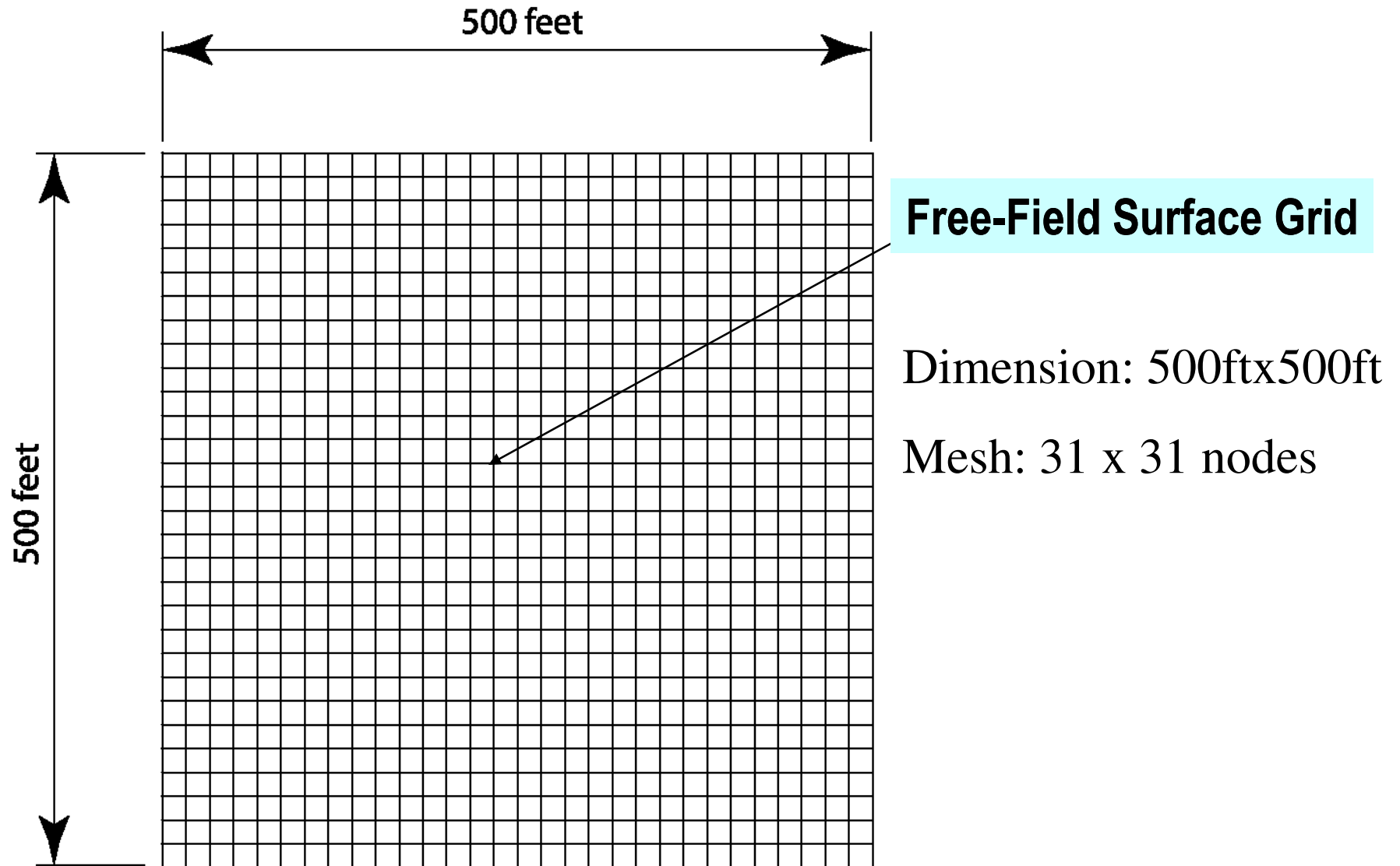
REMARKS:

1) For low frequencies only a number of few incoherency modes are sufficient.

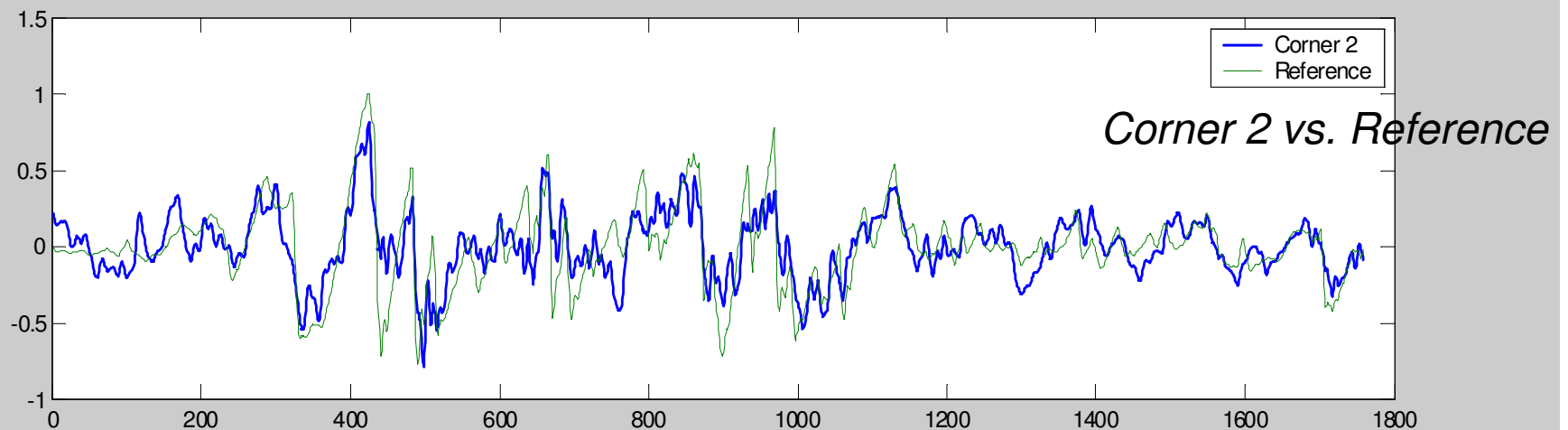
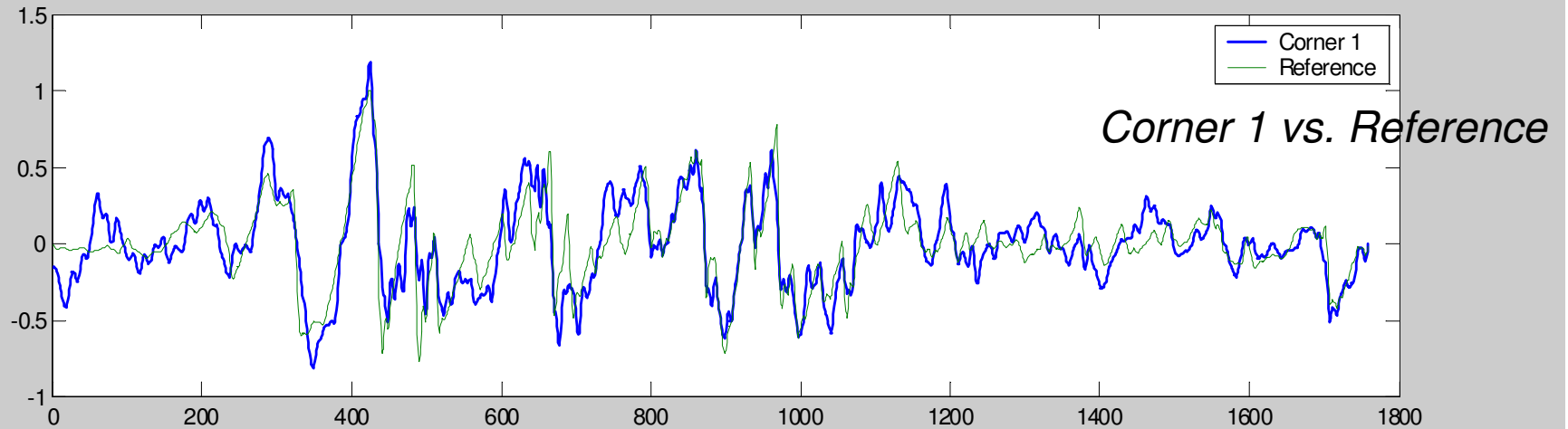
2) Motion incoherency modes are stochastically combined.

We try to use simple mode superposition rules – single SSI run.

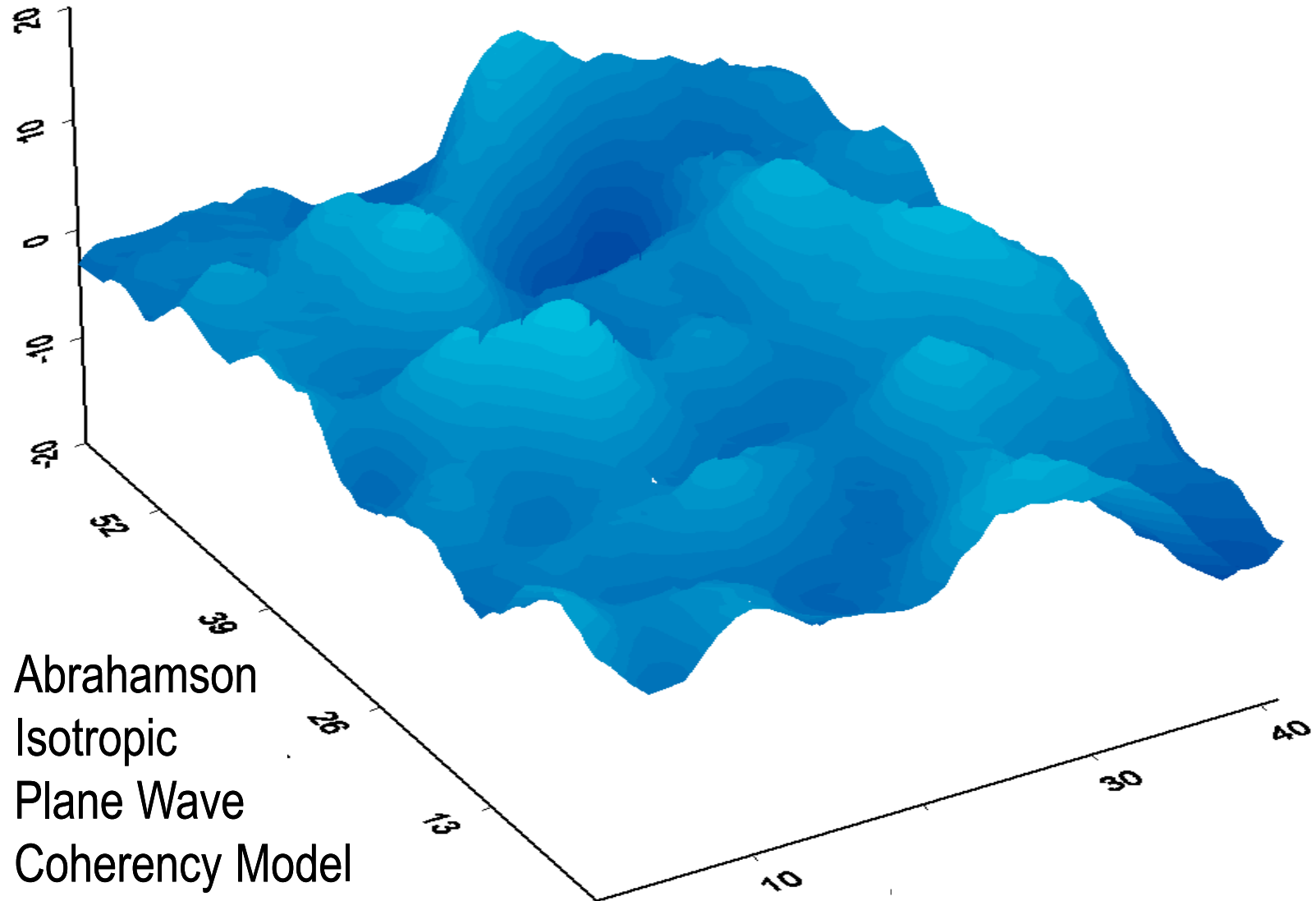
Incoherent Free-Field Motion



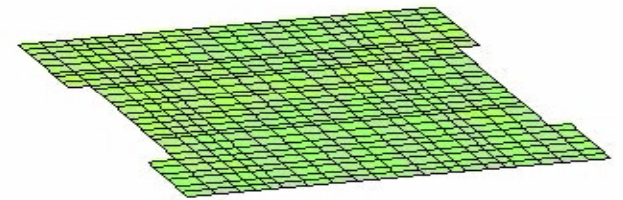
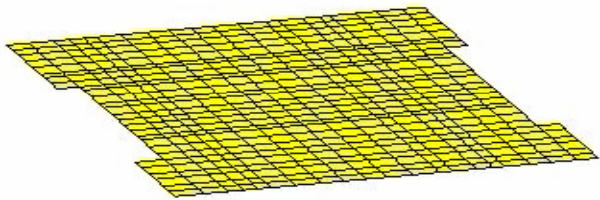
Ground Motion at Two Points Separate by 700 ft (two corners on the grid, for $\gamma=0.15$)



Simulated Incoherent Motion Amplitude at 10 Hz

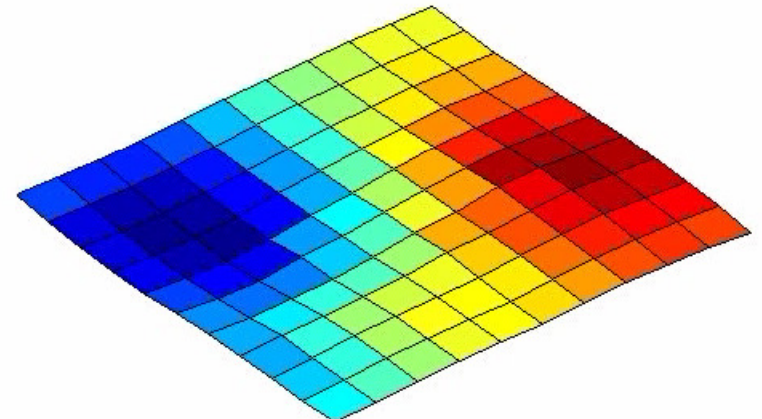
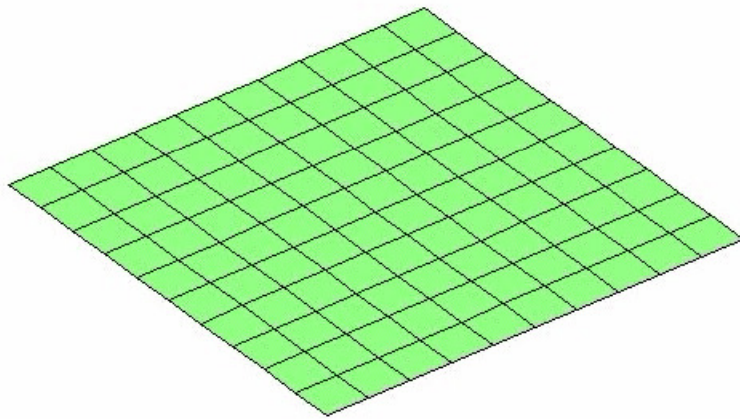


Seismic Free-Field Incoherent Motion Simulation (3-Directional Motion at Foundation-Soil Interface)



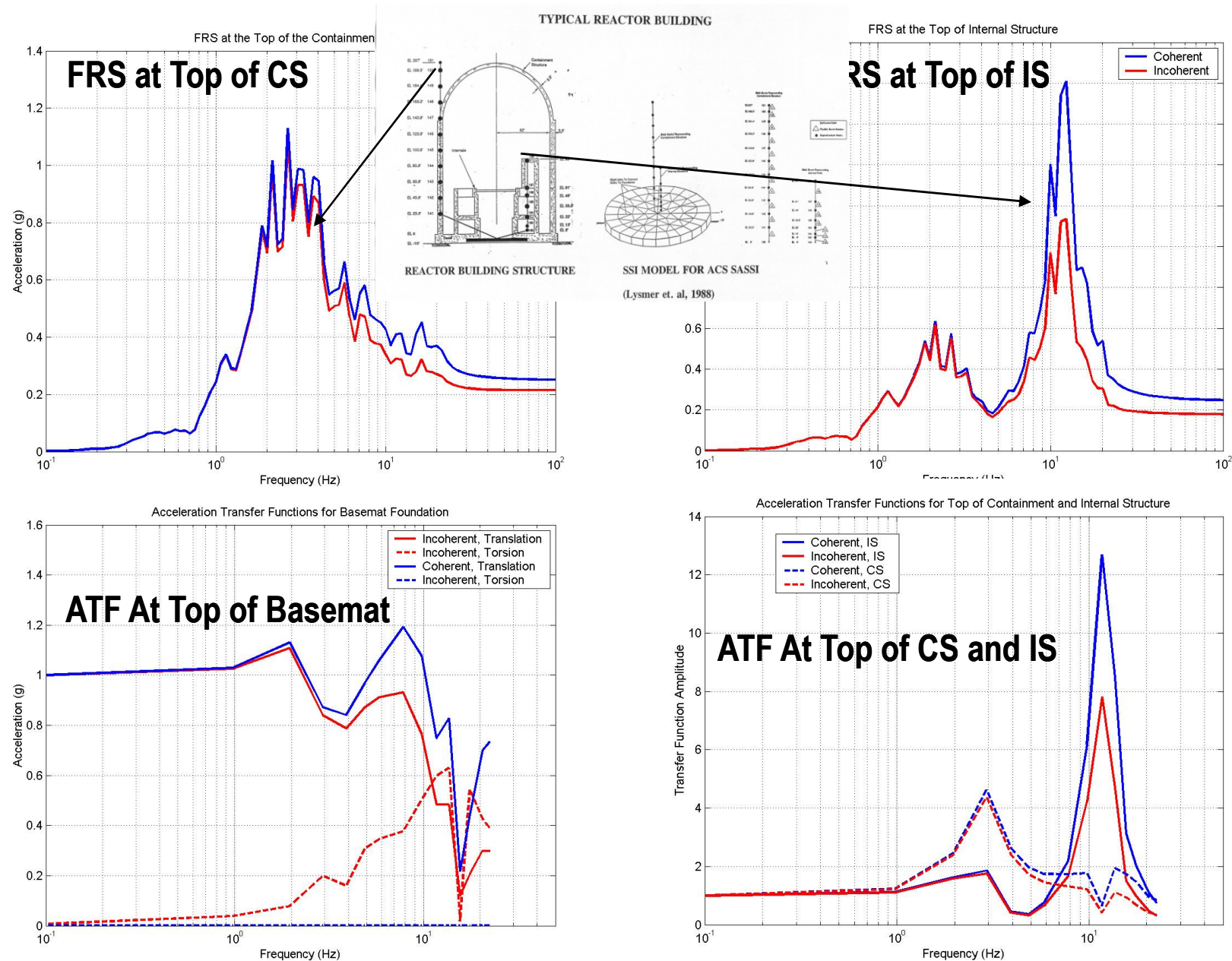
ANIMATIONS

Seismic Free-Field Incoherent Motion Simulation (Vertical Shaking Direction)

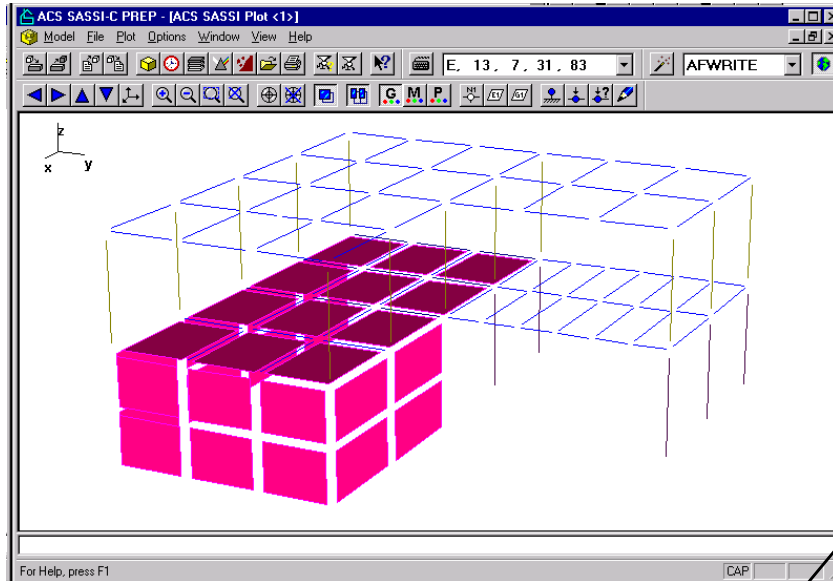


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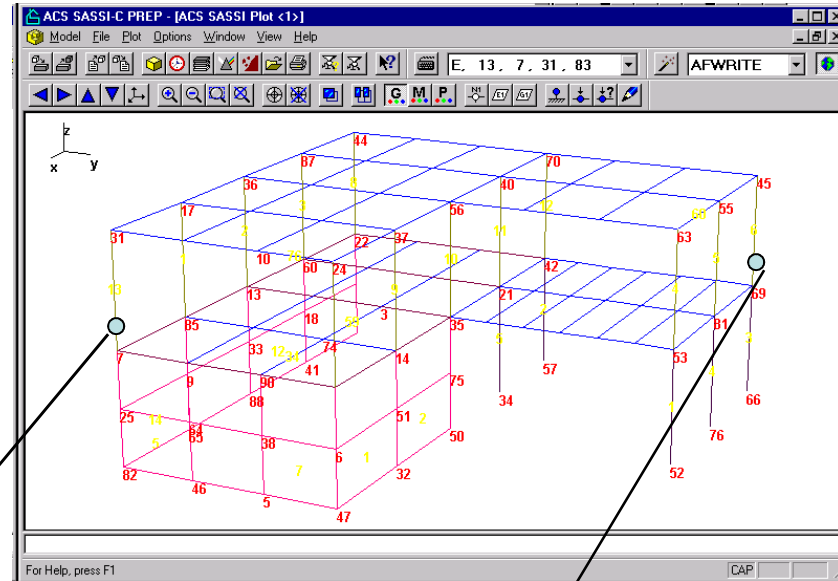
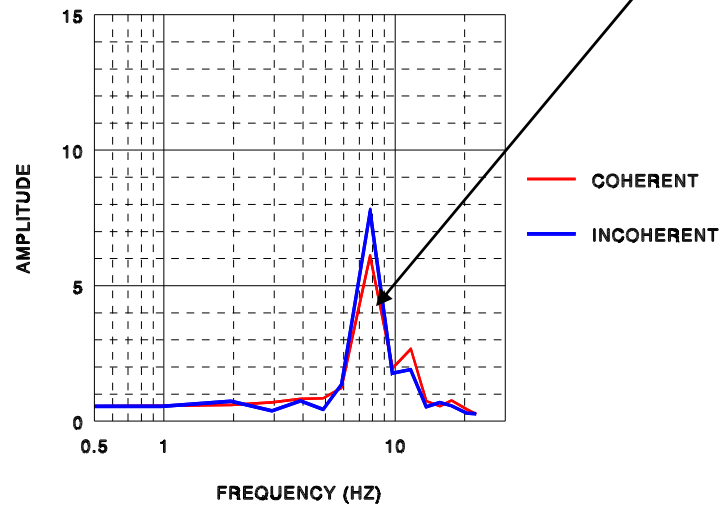
An Axisymmetric RB Structure Founded on A Soil Site



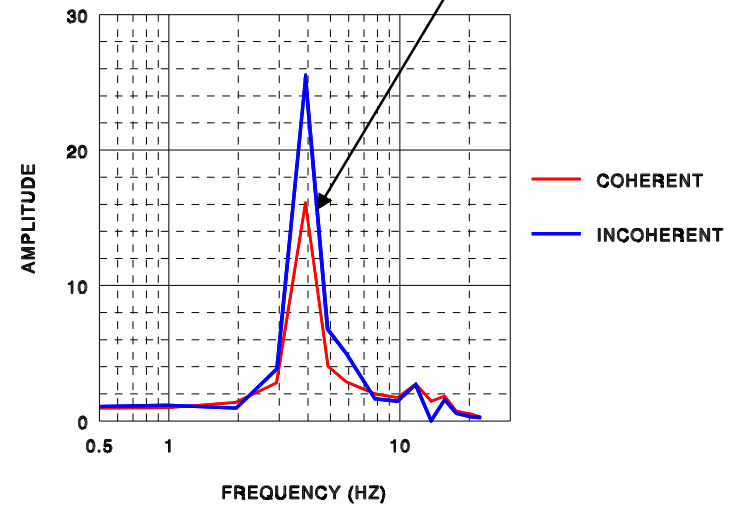
L-Shaped Composite Auxiliary Building



**L-SHAPED BUILDING-ROOF CORNER - NODE 31
SEISMIC EXCITATION X DIRECTION**



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Flexible Foundations vs. Rigid Foundations

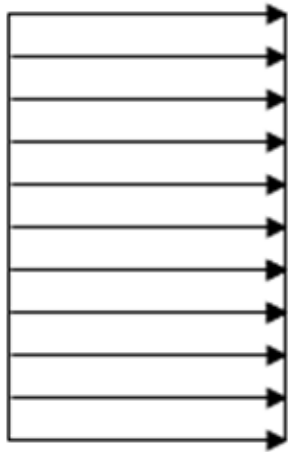
For *rigid foundations* the incoherency-induced stochasticity of the basemat motion is driven by the rigid body spatial variations (smooth, integral variations) of free-field motion. Kinematic SSI interaction is large, so that differential free-field motions are highly constrained by rigid basemat, i.e. shorter wavelength components are filtered out.

For *flexible foundations*, the incoherency-induced stochasticity of the basemat motion is driven by the local spatial variations (point variations) of free-field motion. Therefore, is much more complex and locally random, with an unsmoothed spatial variation pattern. Kinematic SSI is reduced, so that differential free-field motions are less constrained. Short wavelength are not filtered out.

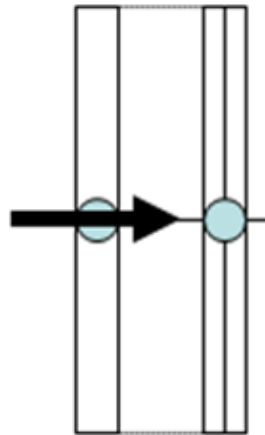
To accurately capture the phasing of the local motion spatial variations that are directly transmitted to flexible basemat motions, the application of the Stochastic Simulation (“Simulation Mean” in EPRI studies) is recommended.

Coherent vs. Incoherent SSI Response - Horizontal

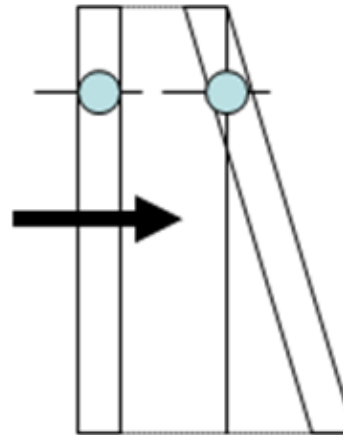
COHERENT
Motion Amplitude



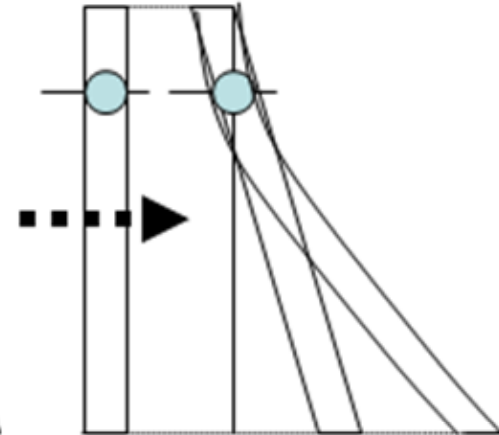
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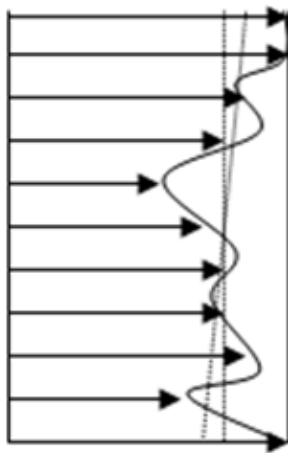
Non-symmetric
Rigid Structure



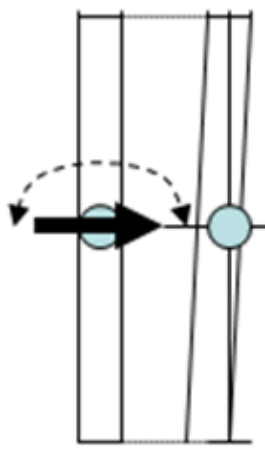
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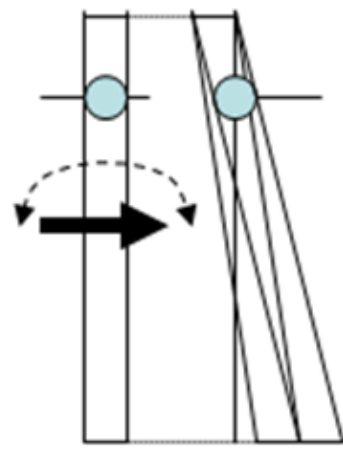
INCOHERENT
Motion Amplitude



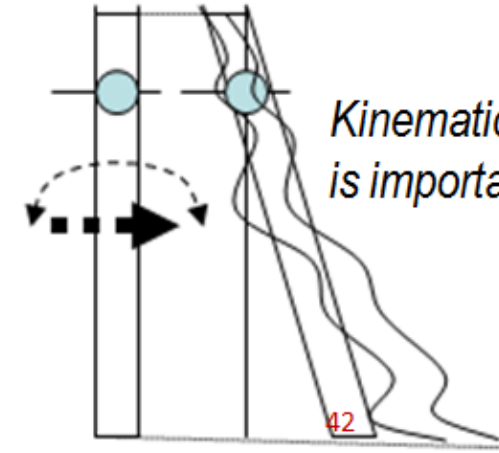
Symmetric
Structure



Non-symmetric
Rigid Structure



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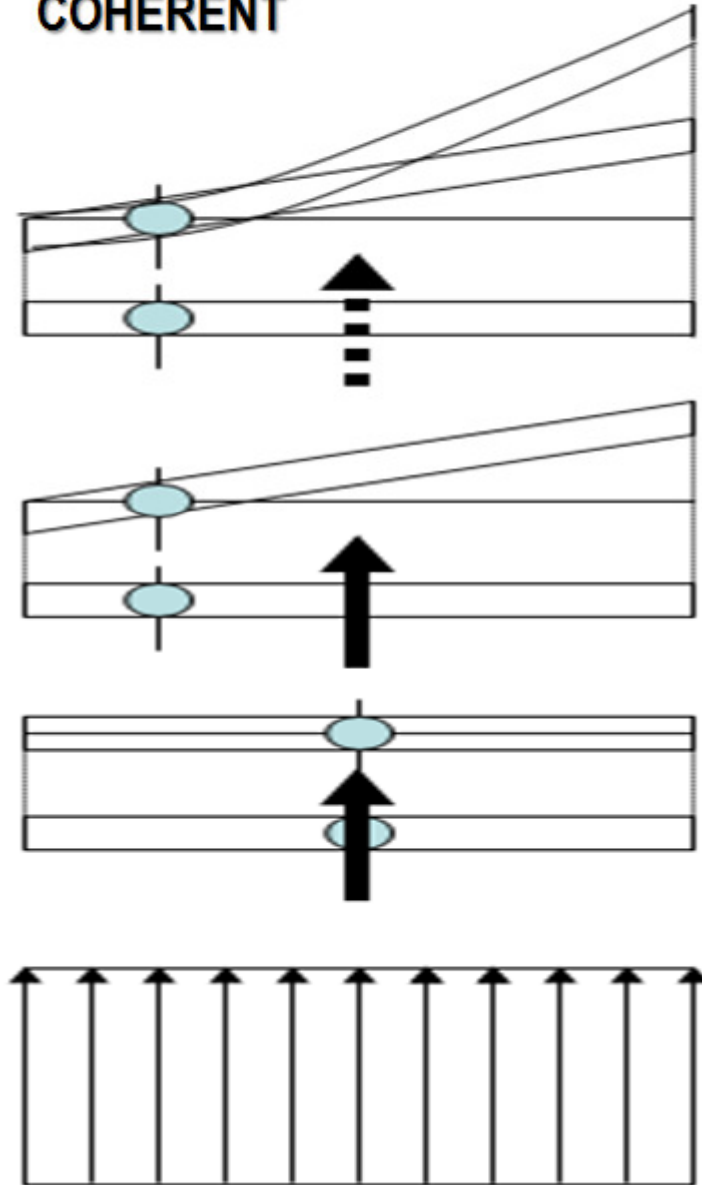


*Kinematic SSI
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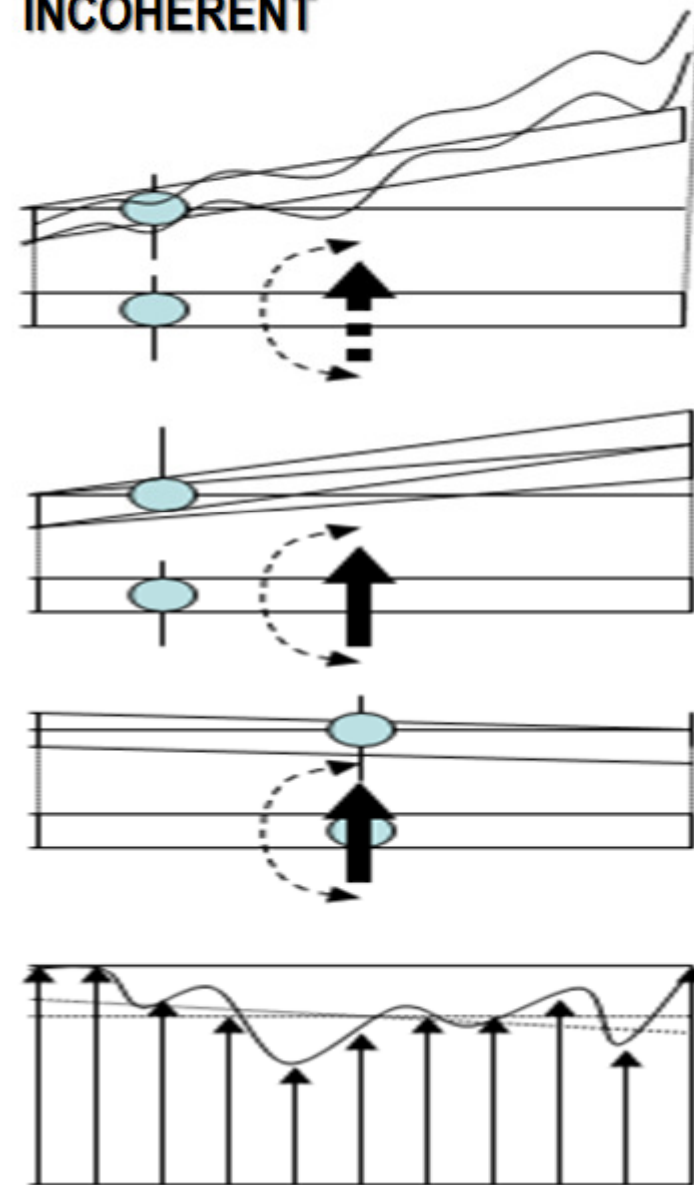
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Coherent vs. Incoherent SSI Response – Vertical

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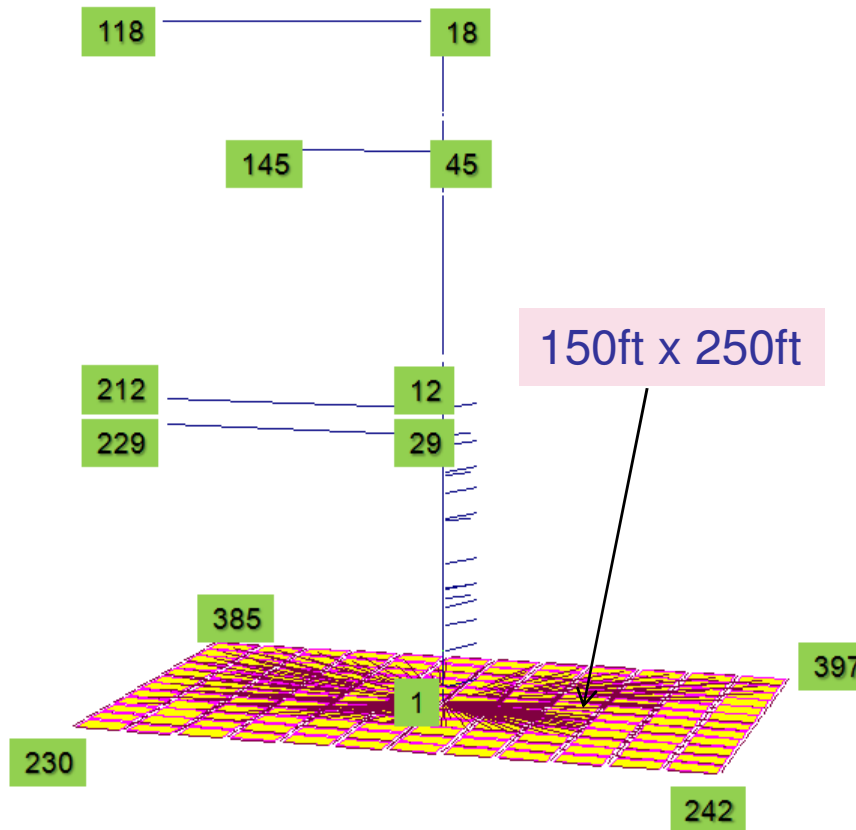


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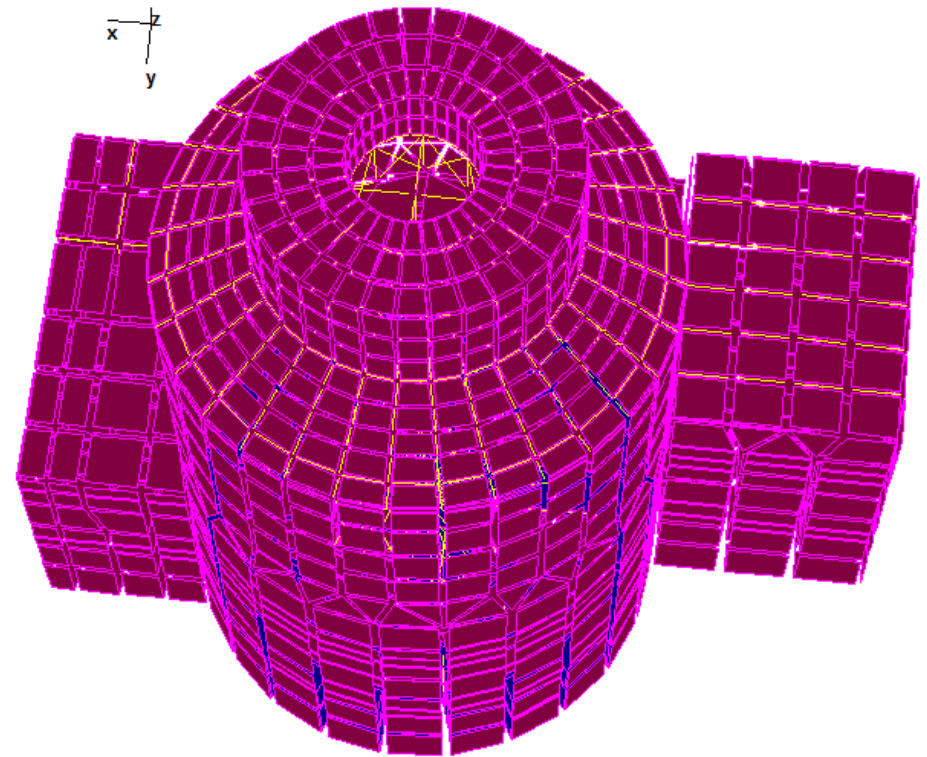
Stick with Rigid Mat vs. FE Model with Flexible Mat

Stick SSI Model



Accurate structural modeling up to 20-30 Hz

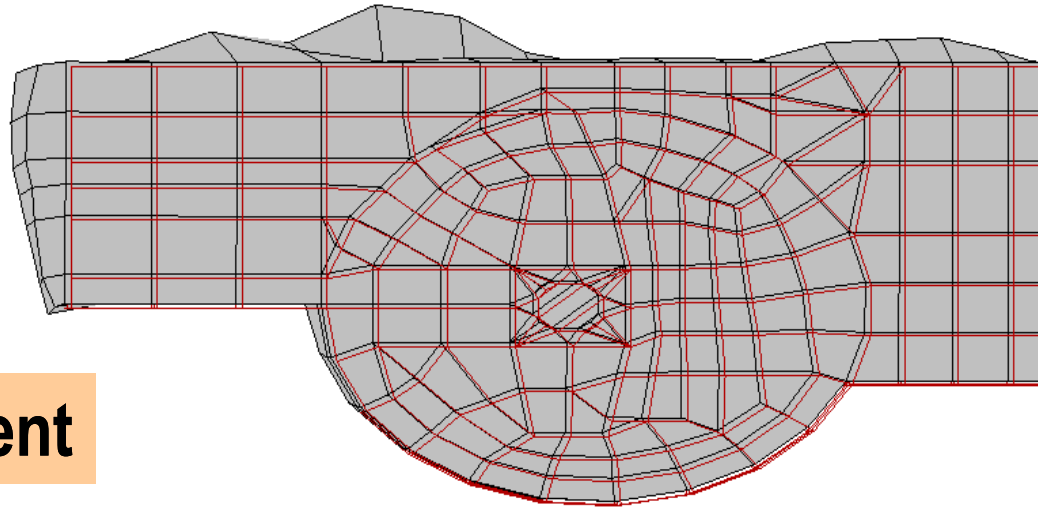
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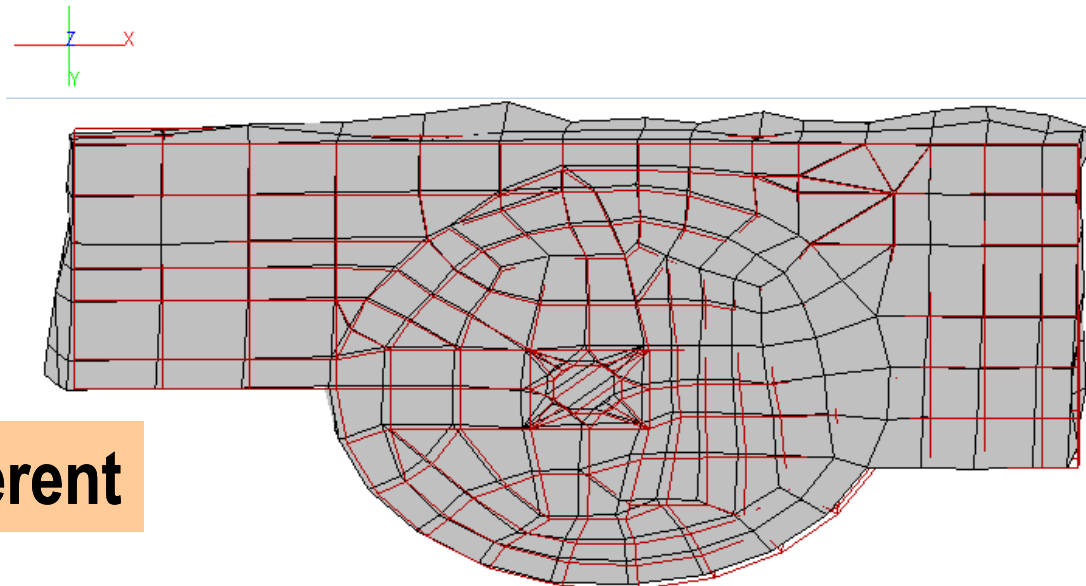
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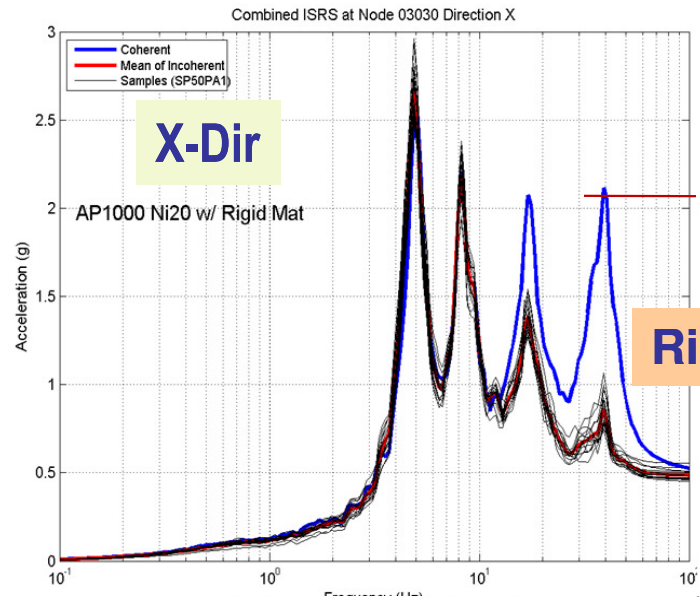


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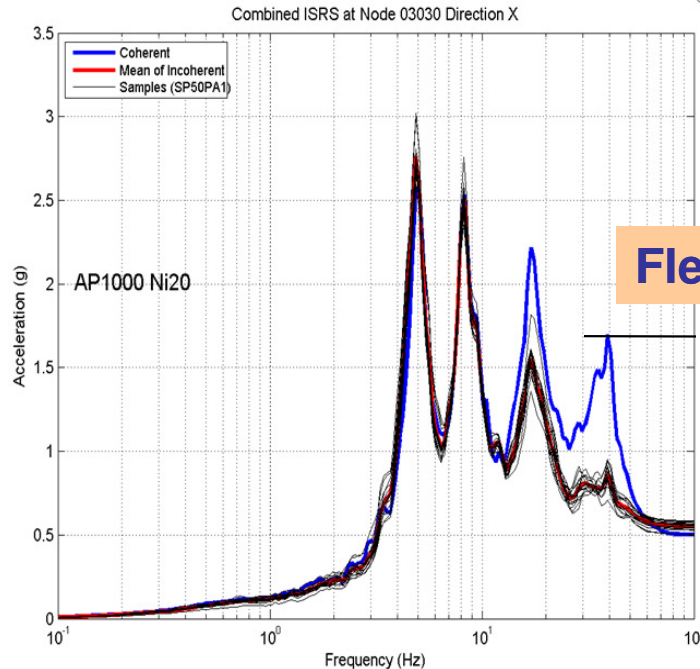
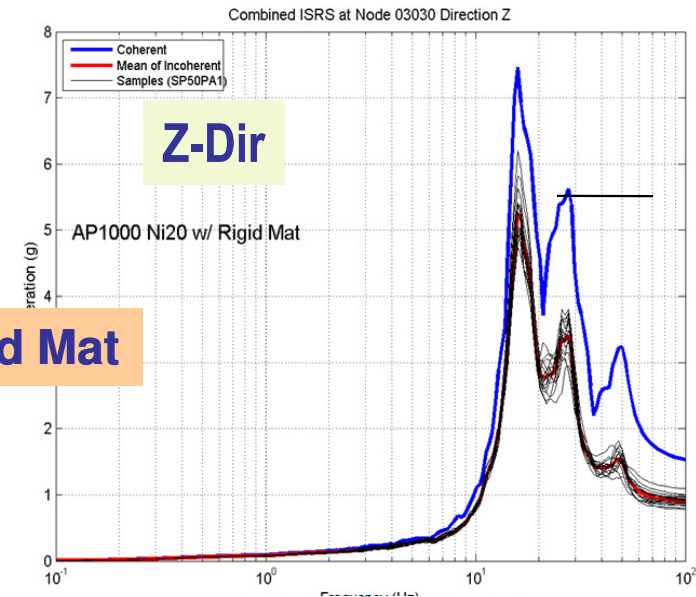
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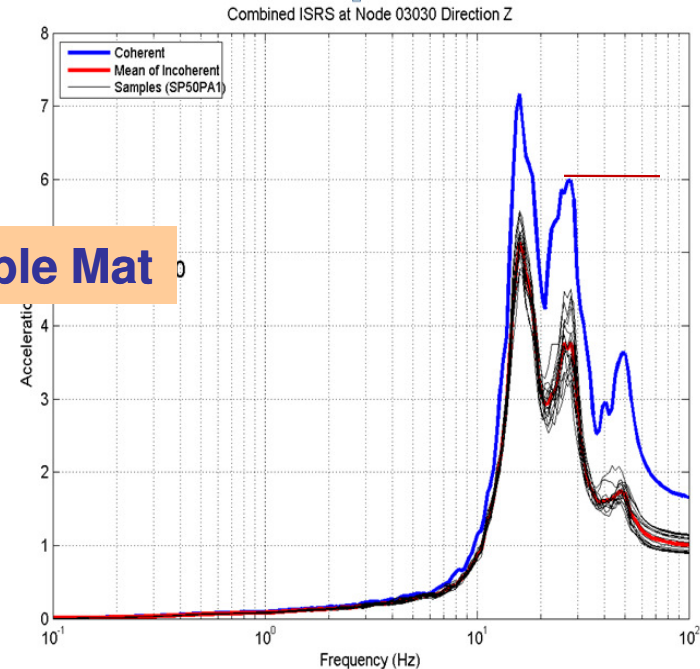
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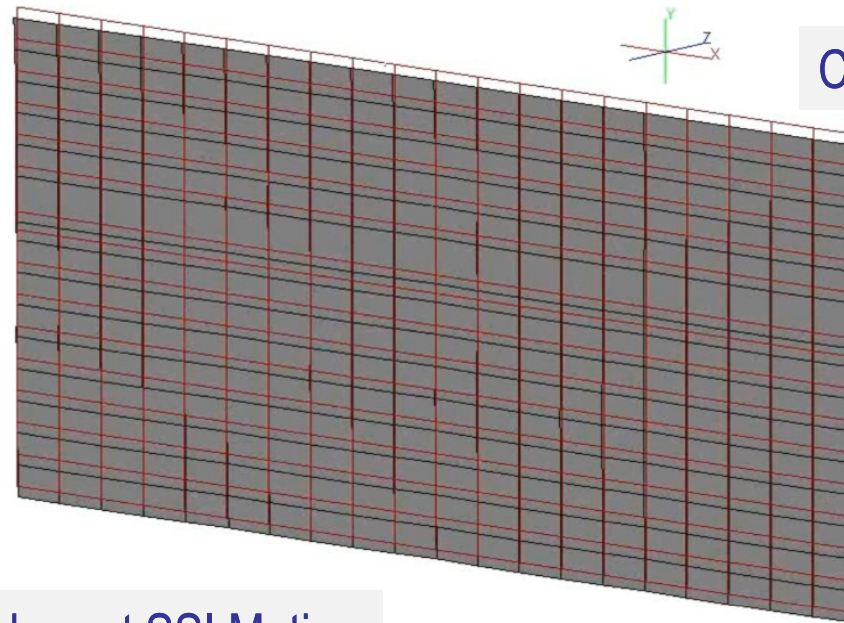
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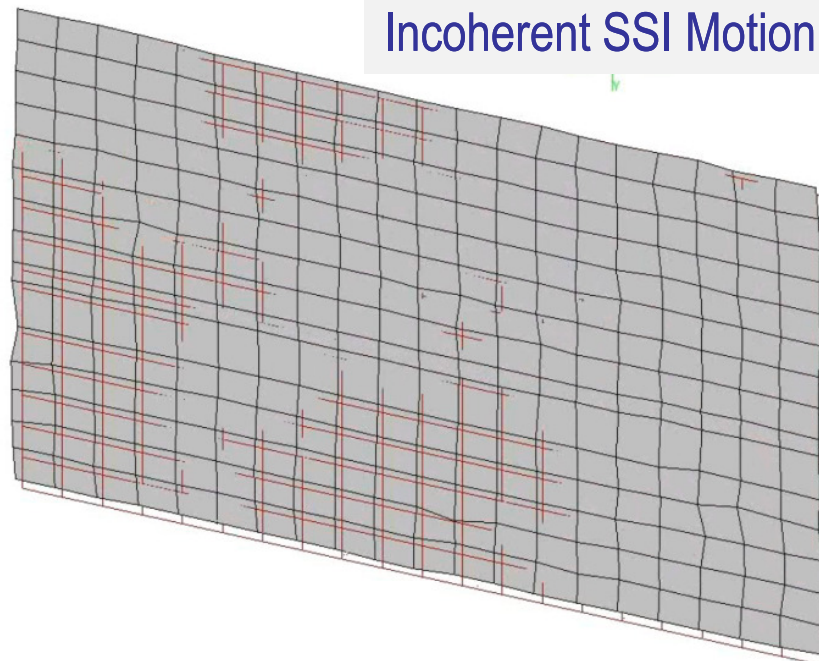
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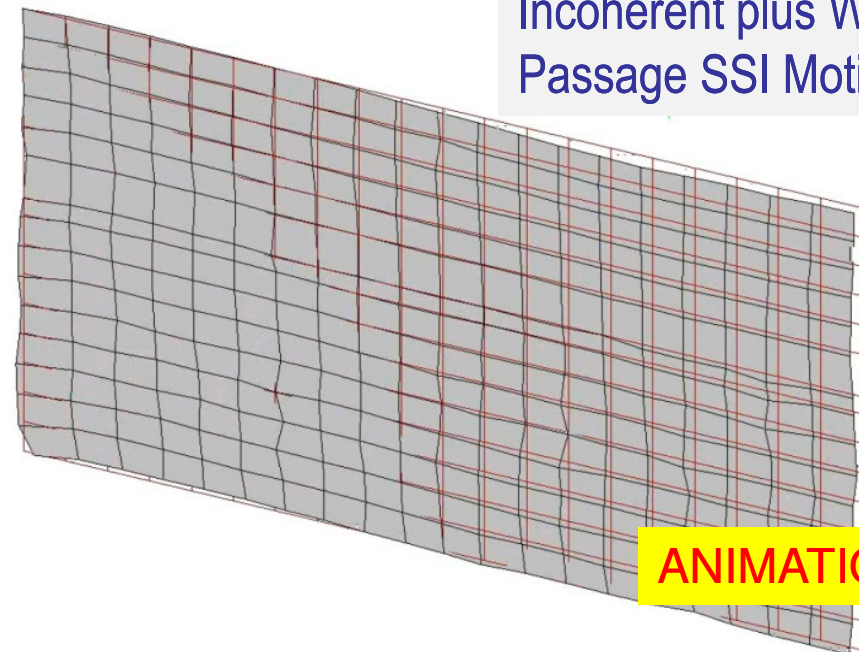
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Coherent SSI Motion



Incoherent SSI Motion

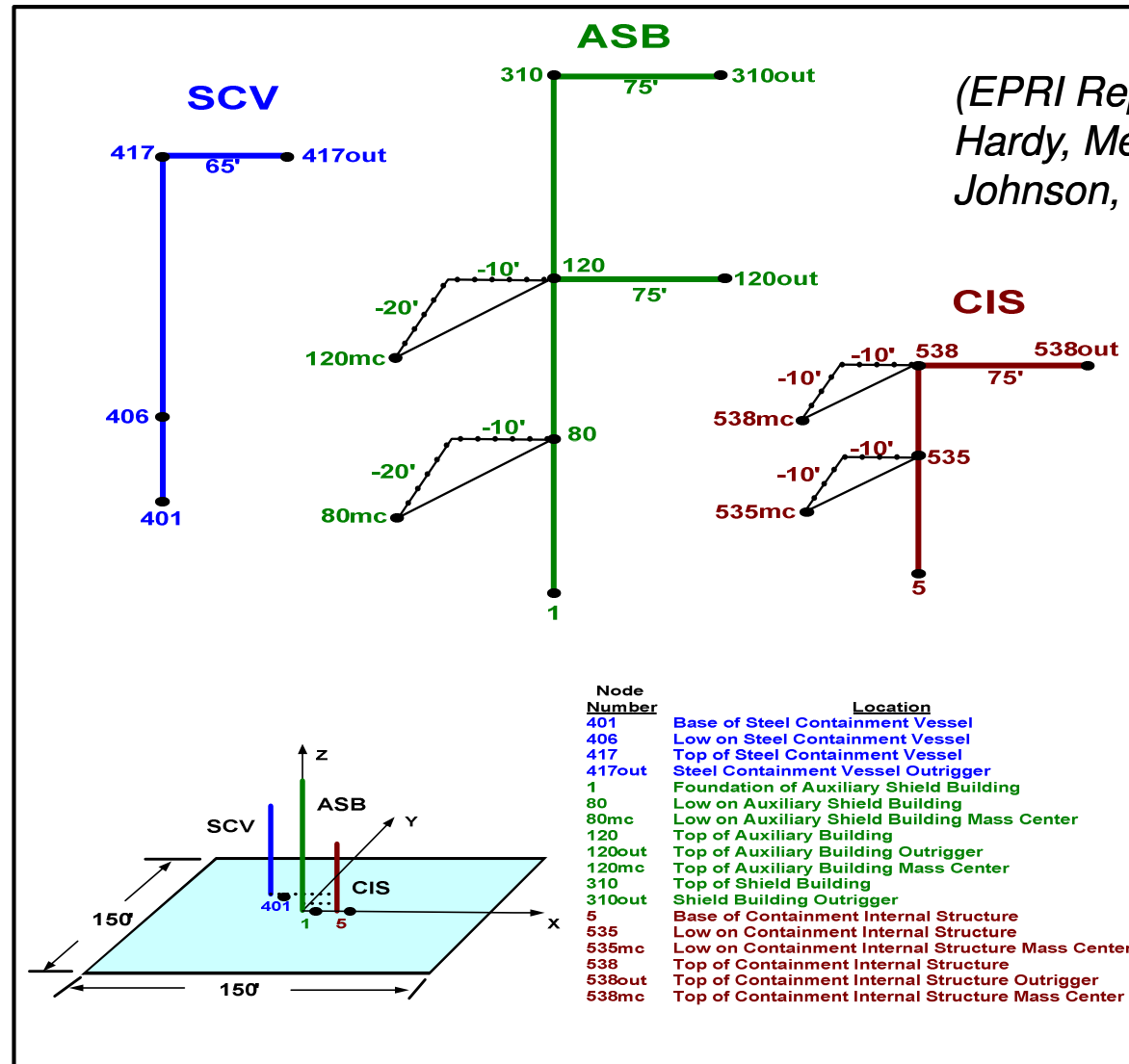


Incoherent plus Wave Passage SSI Motion

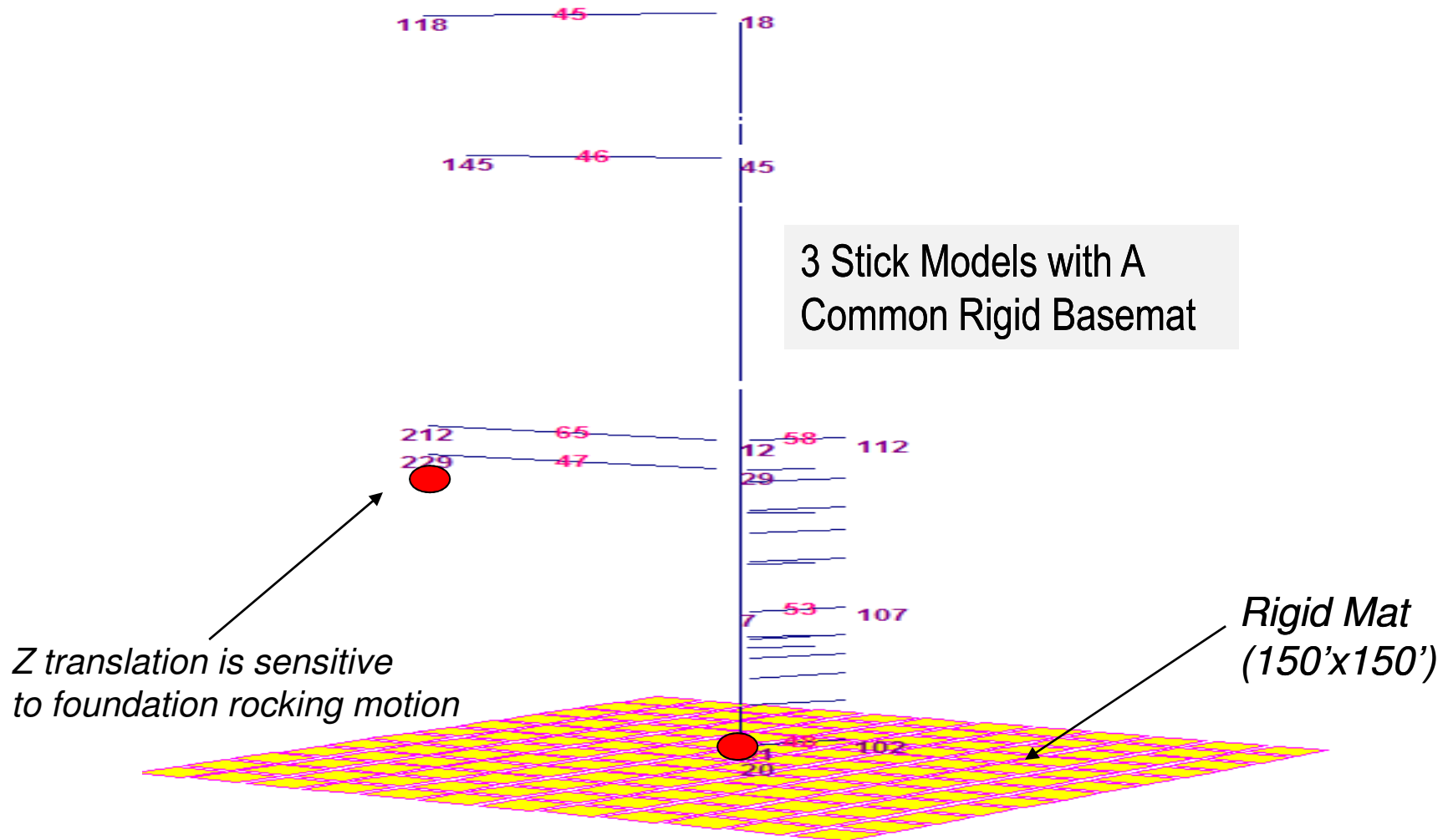
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EPRI Validation of ACS SASSI for Incoherent SSI

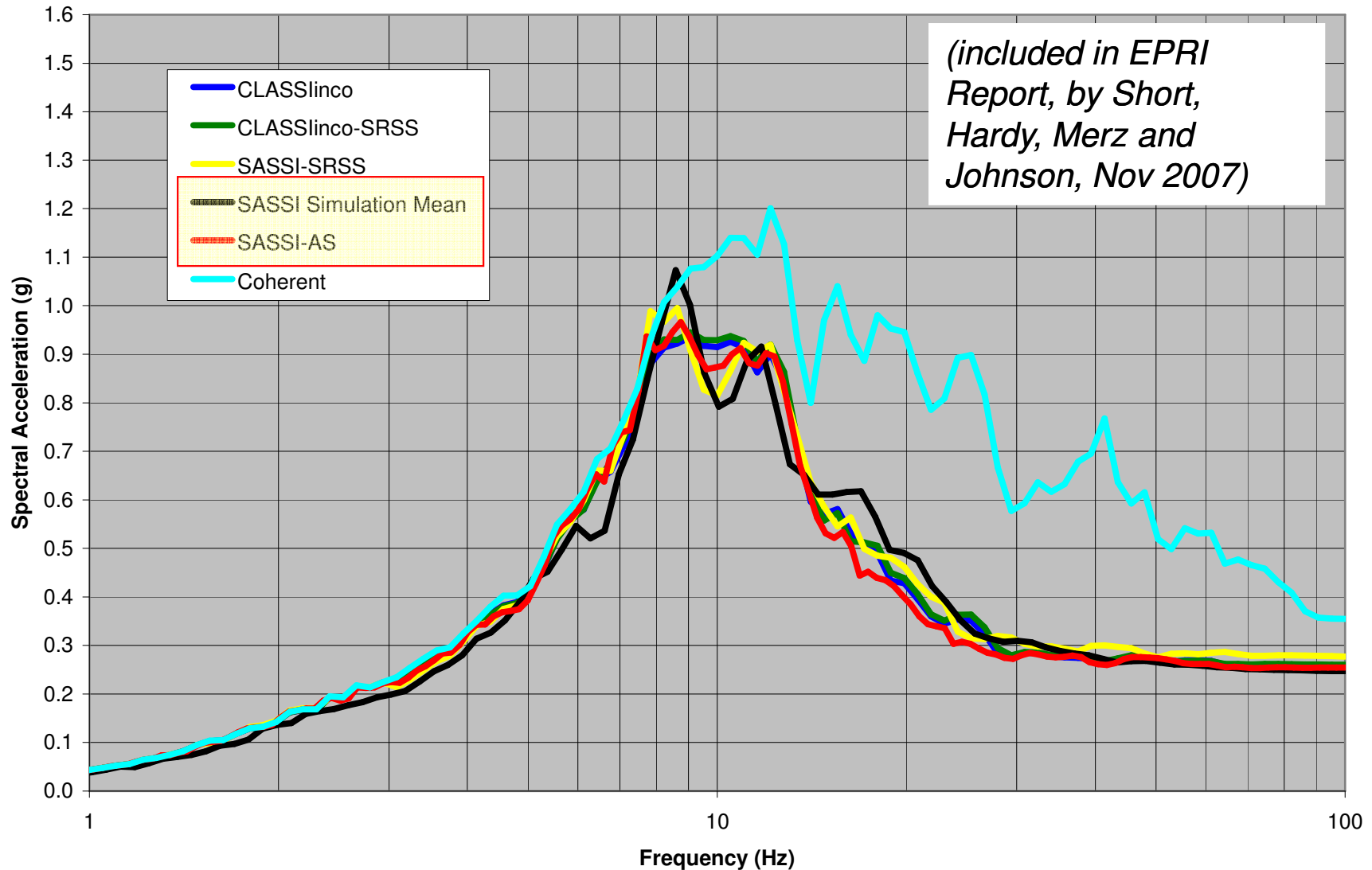
EPRI AP1000 Stick NI Model Masses (150ftx150ft)



EPRI AP1000 Stick Model Has Increased Mass Eccentricities and Reduced Foundation Size

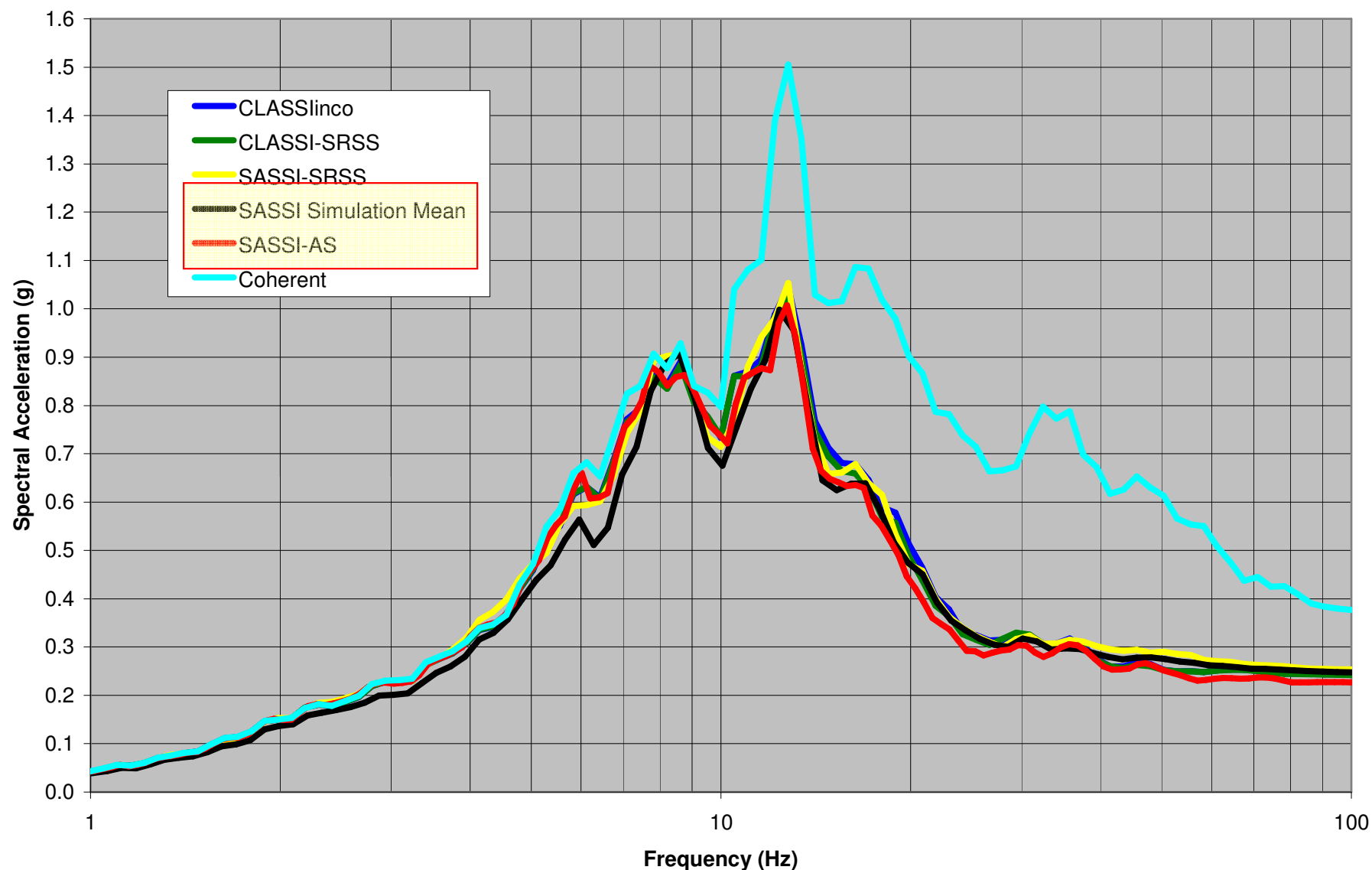


Fdn-x incoherent response due to combined input



Center of Foundation (Node 1) Response Spectra – X Direction
CLASSlinco, CLASSlinco-SRSS, Bechtel SASSI-SRSS, ACS SASSI Simulation Mean and AS

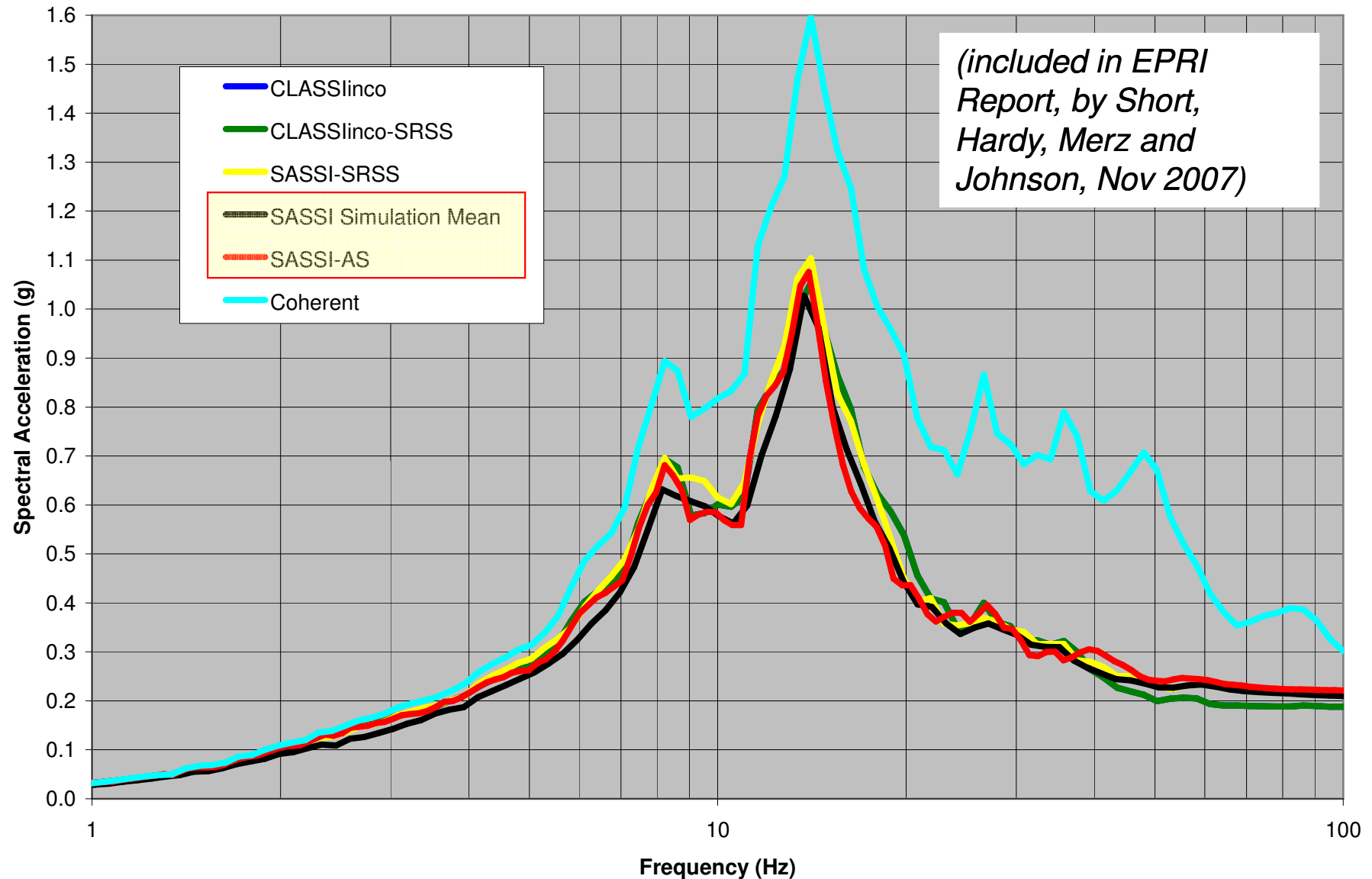
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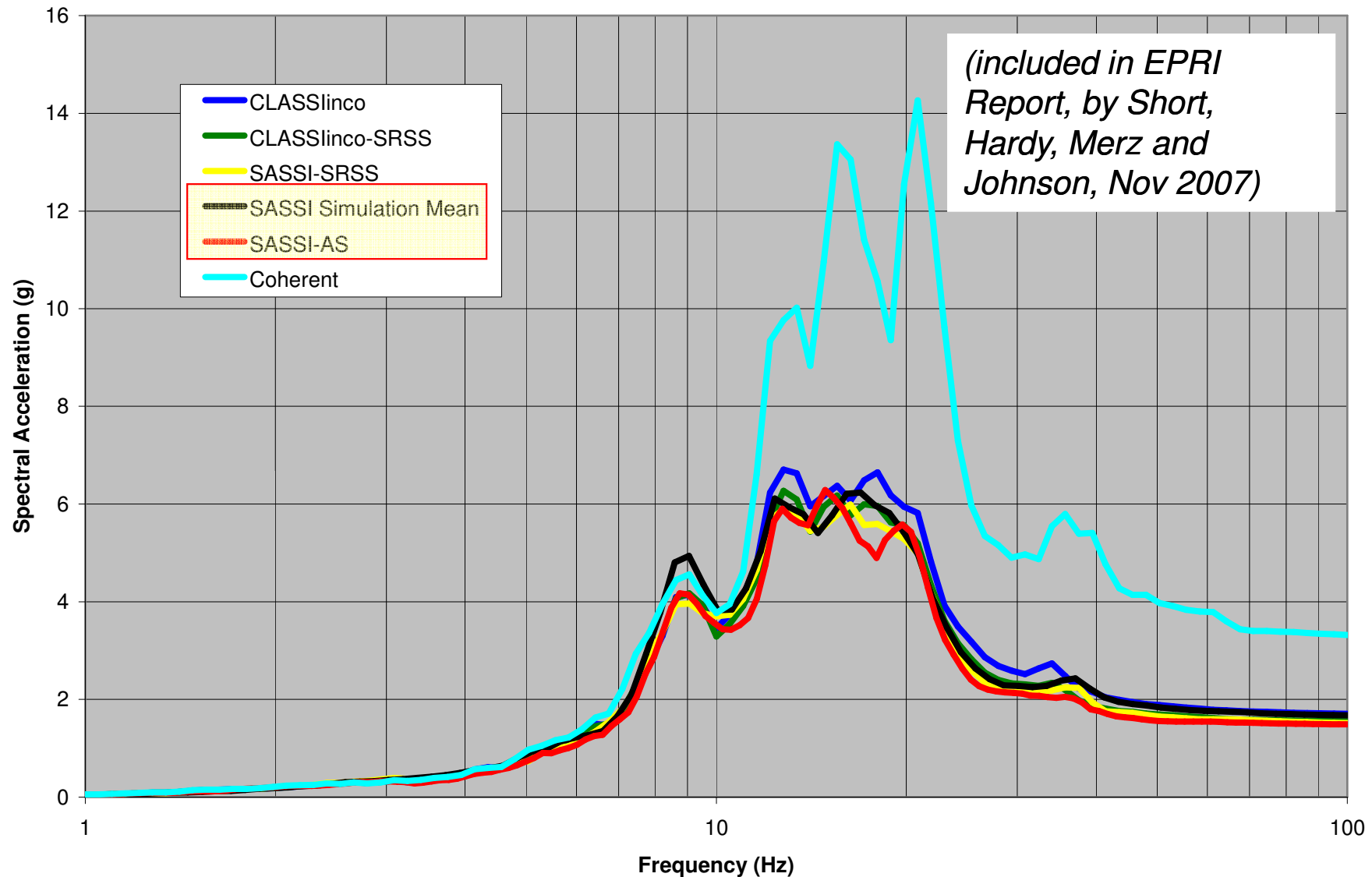
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Node 229-CIS x response due to combined input

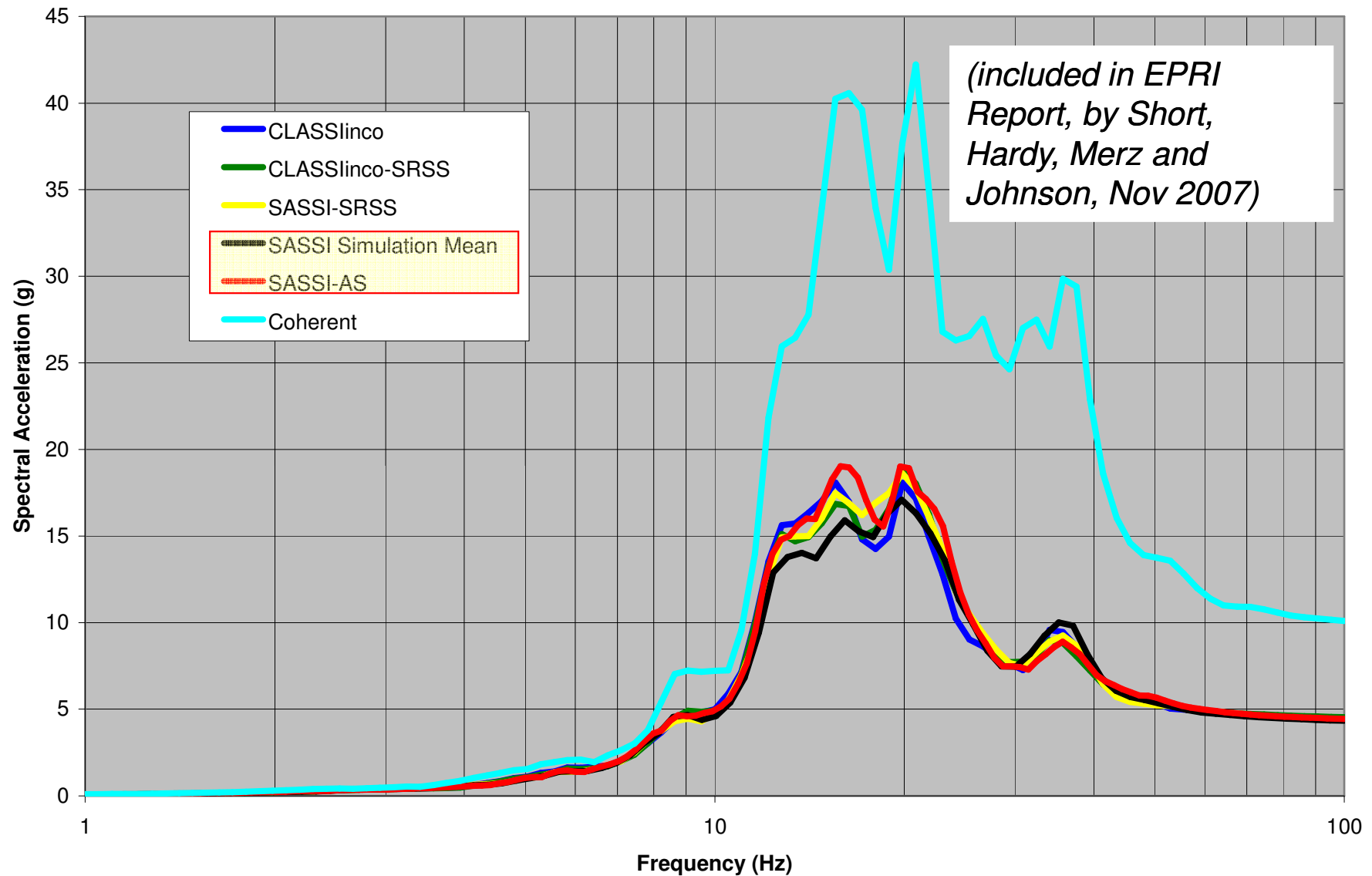


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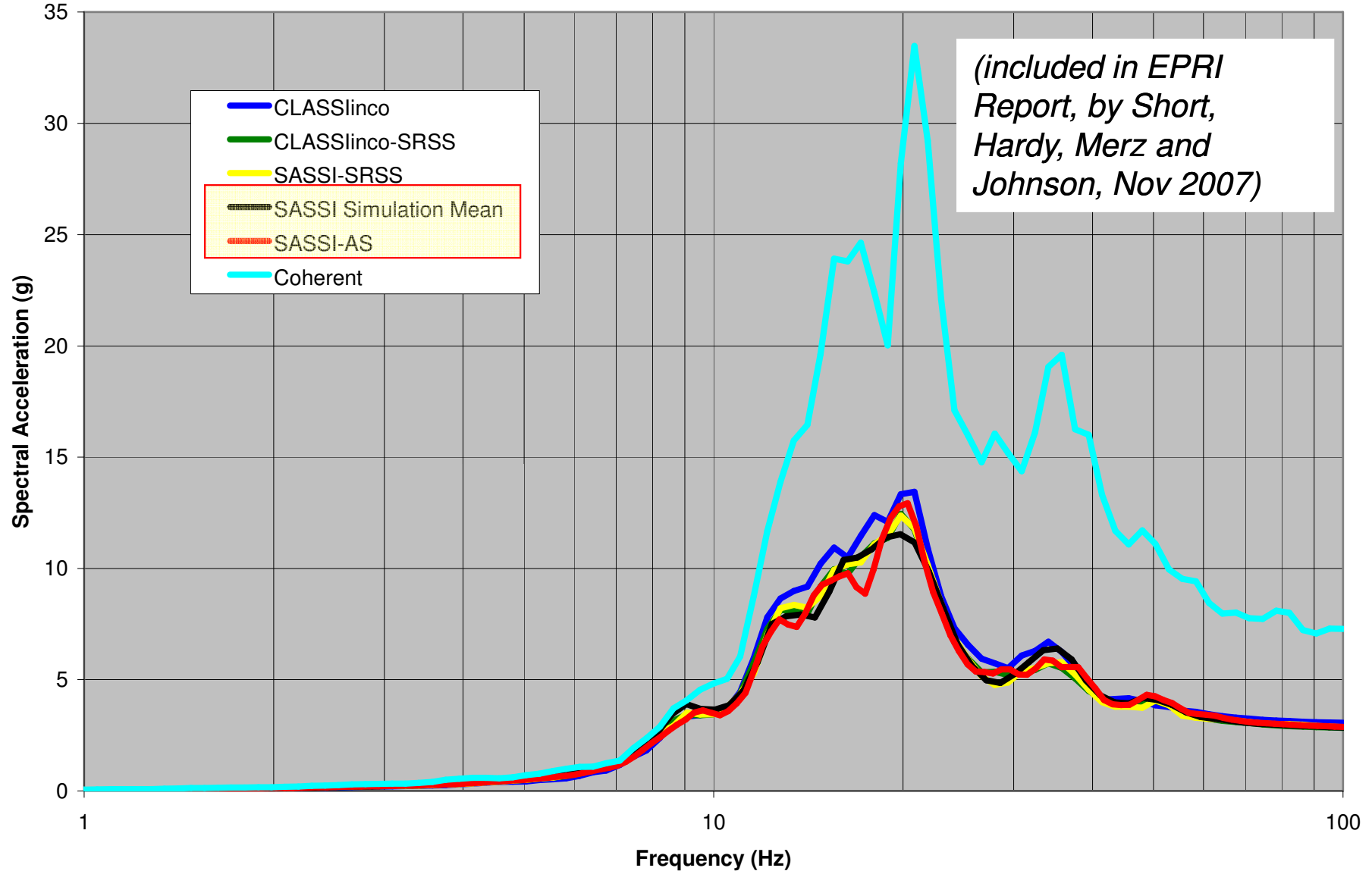


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Node 229-CIS z response due to combined input



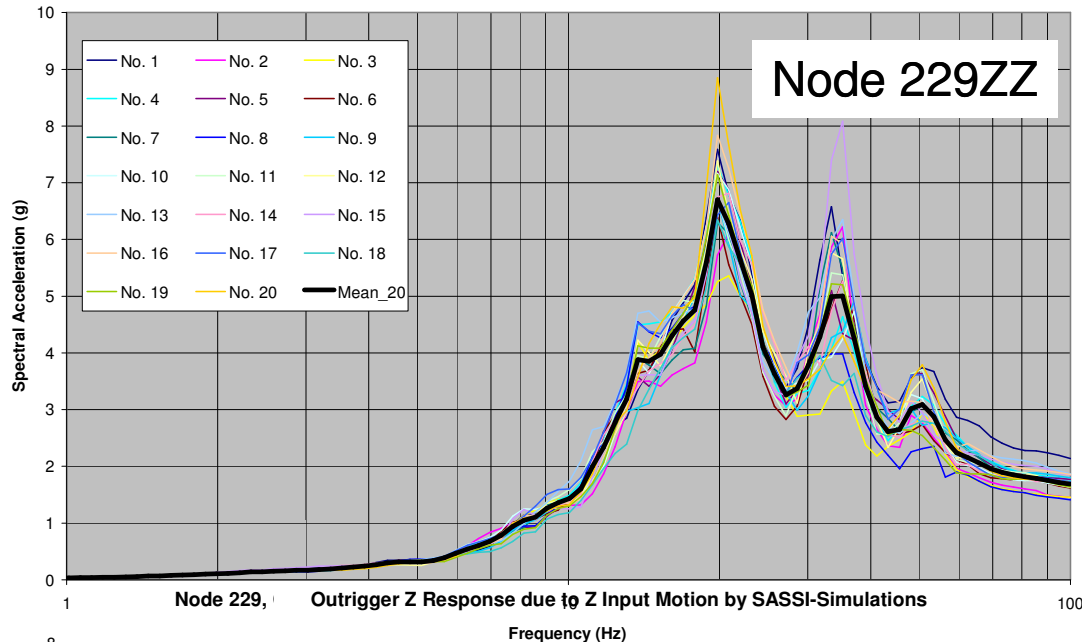
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Mean RS for 5, 10, 15 and 20 Stochastic Samples For 3 Stick Model with Rigid Basemat (EPRI Studies, 2007)

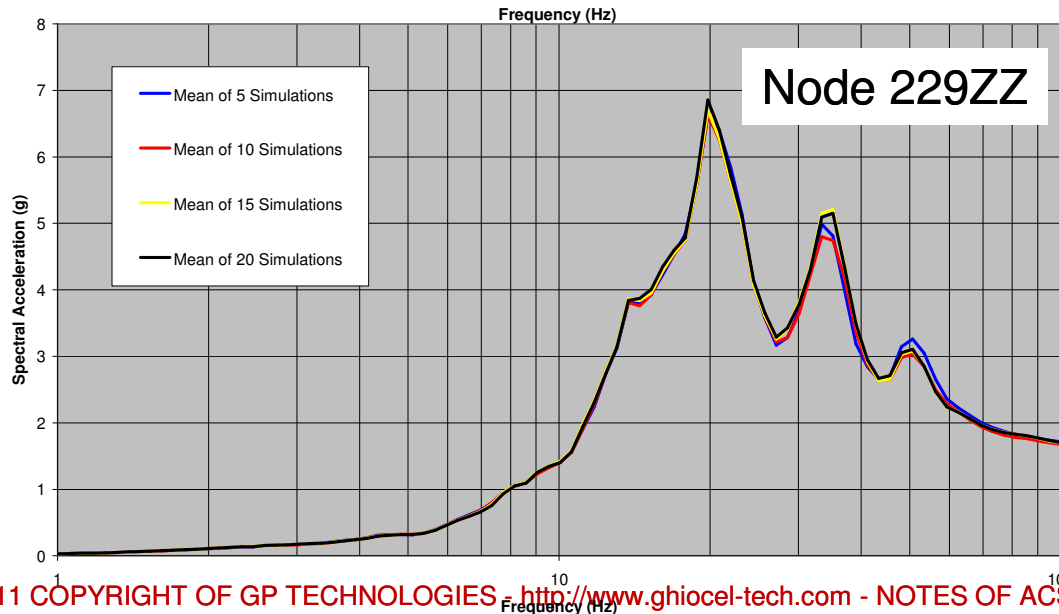
Node 229, Outrigger Z Response due to Z Input Motion by SASSI-Simulations

Random
FRS
Samples



(included in EPRI Report, Figs. 4.1 and 4.2, page 4-5, by Short, Hardy, Merz and Johnson, Sept 2007)

Mean
FRS



We also compared with results from 50 random Samples – not shown.

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EPRI Conclusions on Incoherency Effects

(EPRI Report # 1015111, Nov 30, 2007)

The qualitative effects of motion incoherency effects are:

- i) for horizontal components are a reduction in excitation translation concomitantly with an increase of torsional excitation and a reduction of foundation rocking
- ii) for vertical component is a reduction in excitation translation concomitantly with an increase of rocking excitation.

Benchmarked SASSI-Based Approaches:

- 1) Stochastic Simulation – Validated/Accurate, Final Design Calcs
- 2) SRSS TF Approach – Validated/Accurate, Final Design Calcs
- 3) AS Approach – Validated/Approximate, Preliminary Design Calcs

Other remarks:

- No clear guidance for flexible foundations
- No guidance is provided for the piping/equipment multiple history analysis with incoherent inputs
- No guidance is provided for evaluation of incoherent structural forces

PART 2: Case Studies

Seismic Incoherent SSI Response of RB Complex Structures

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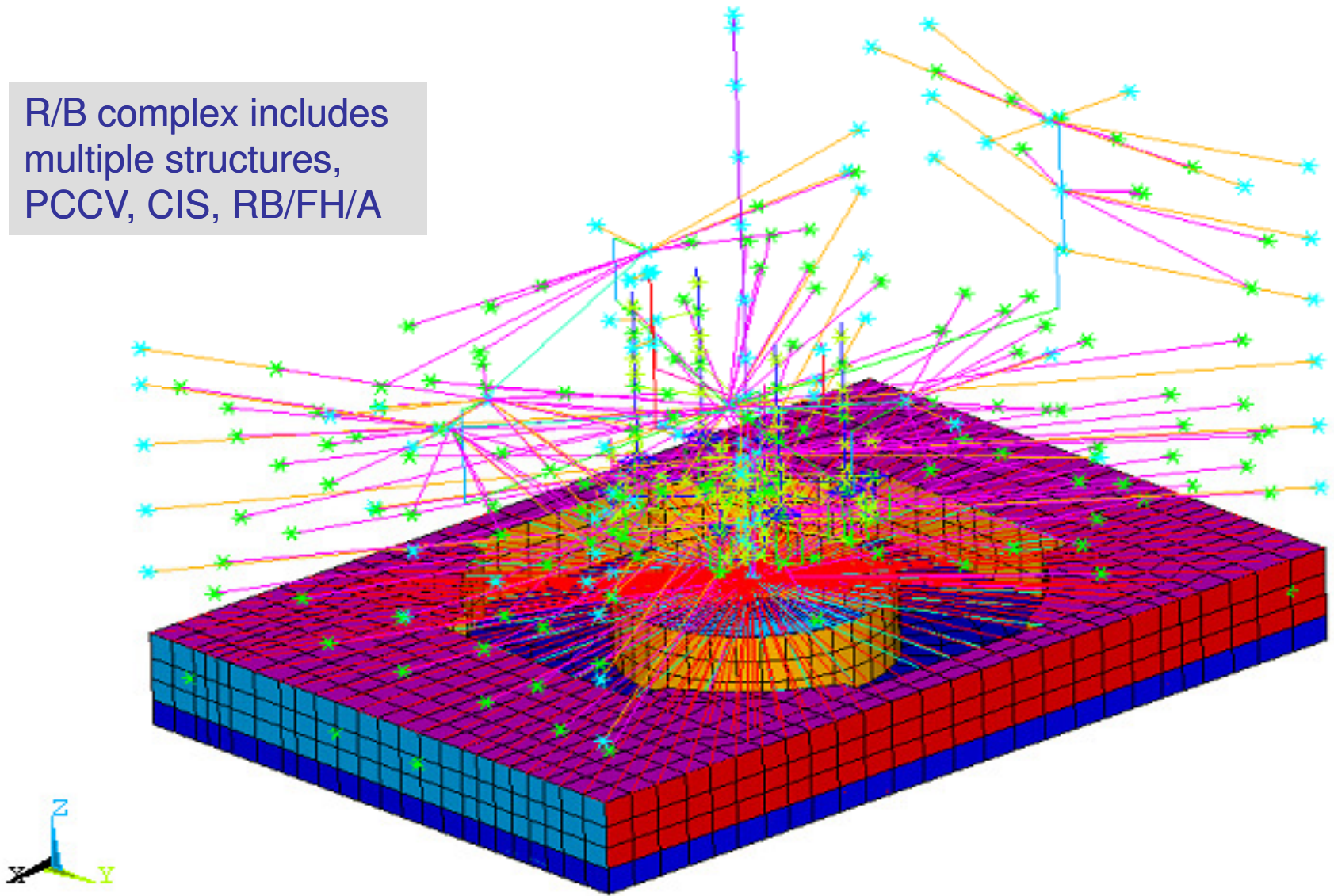
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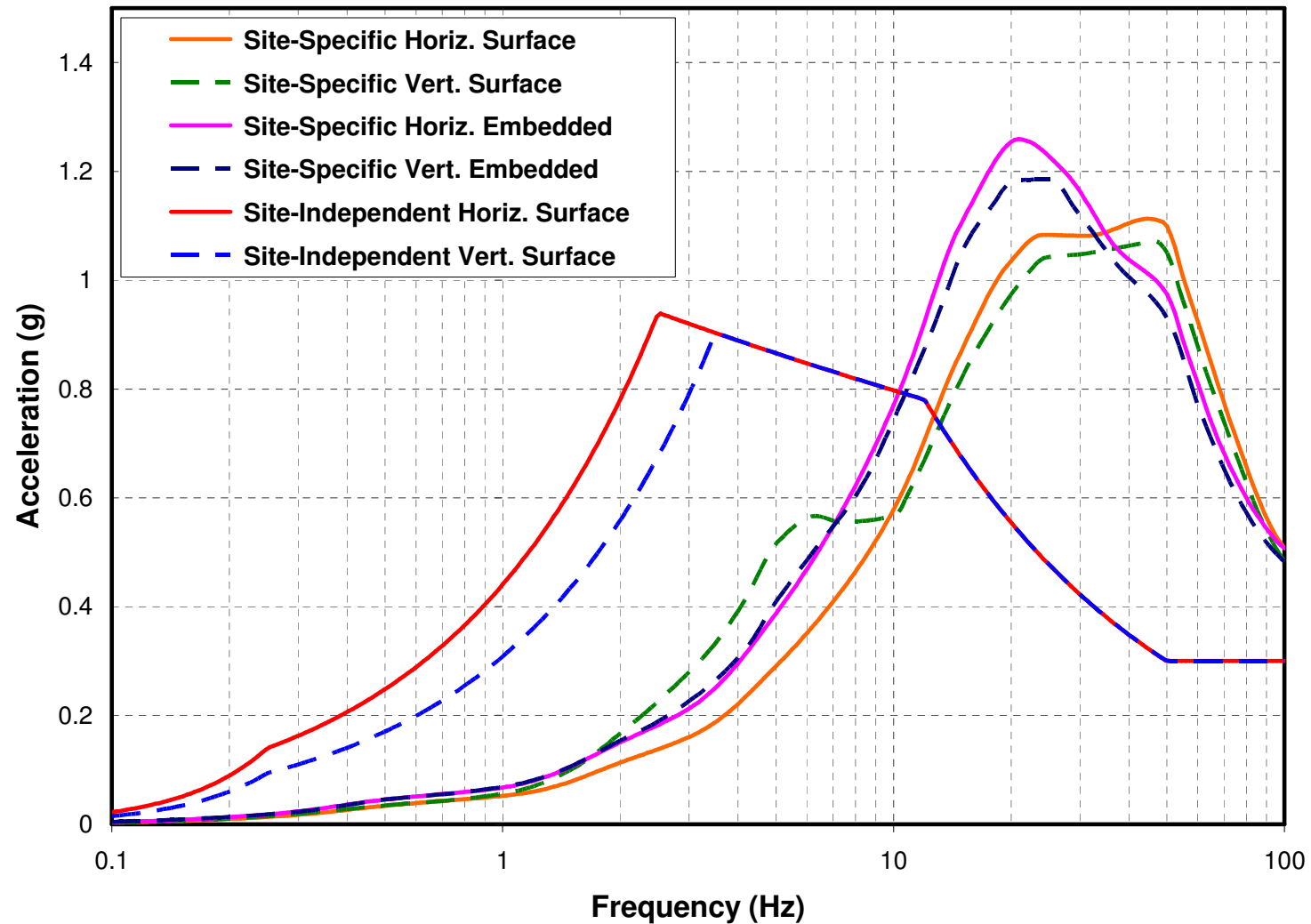
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R/B Complex SSI Model

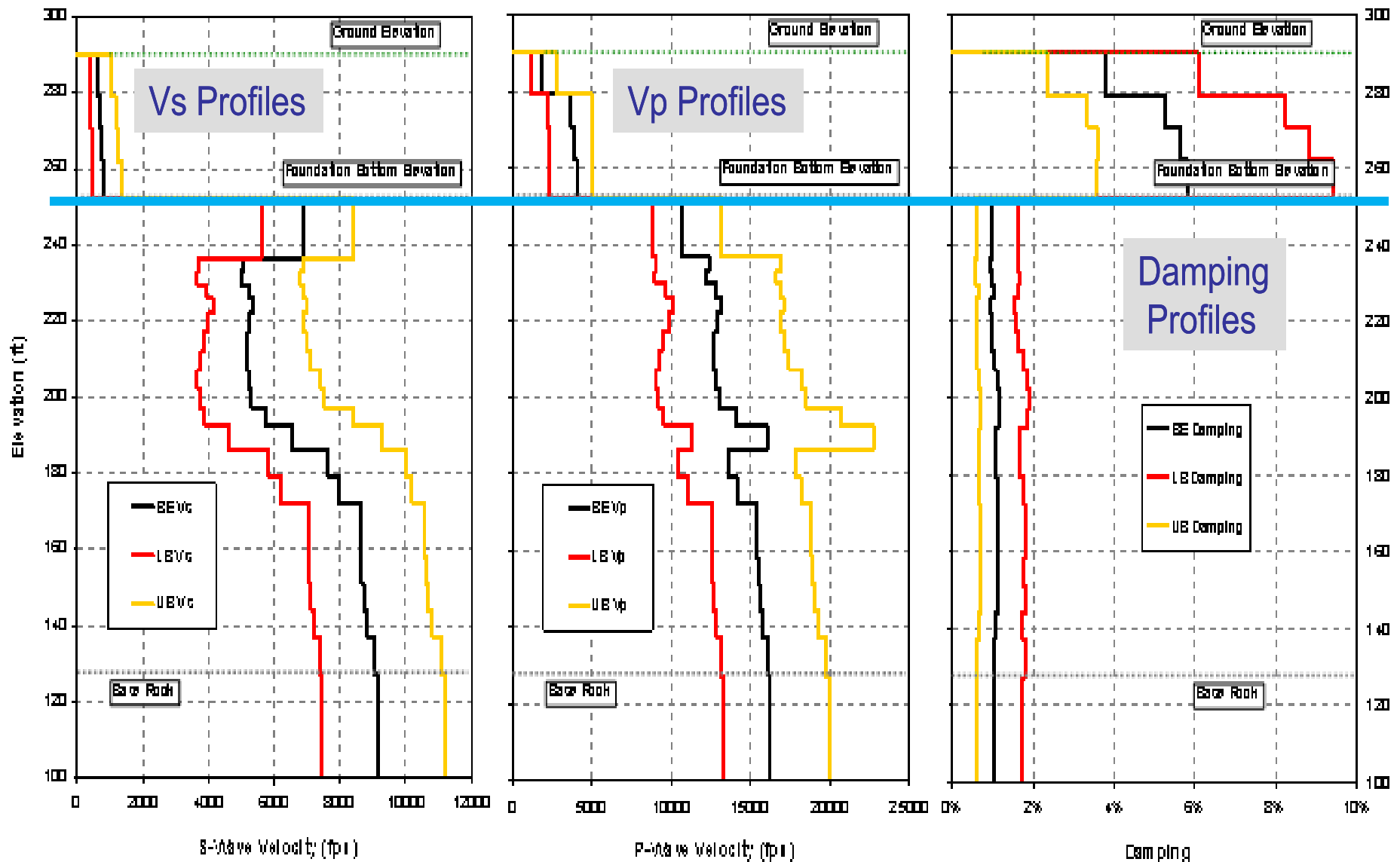
R/B complex includes
multiple structures,
PCCV, CIS, RB/FH/A



Site-Independent and Site-Specific Seismic Inputs



Best-Estimate (BE), Lower Bound (LB) and Upper Bound (UB) Soil Profiles

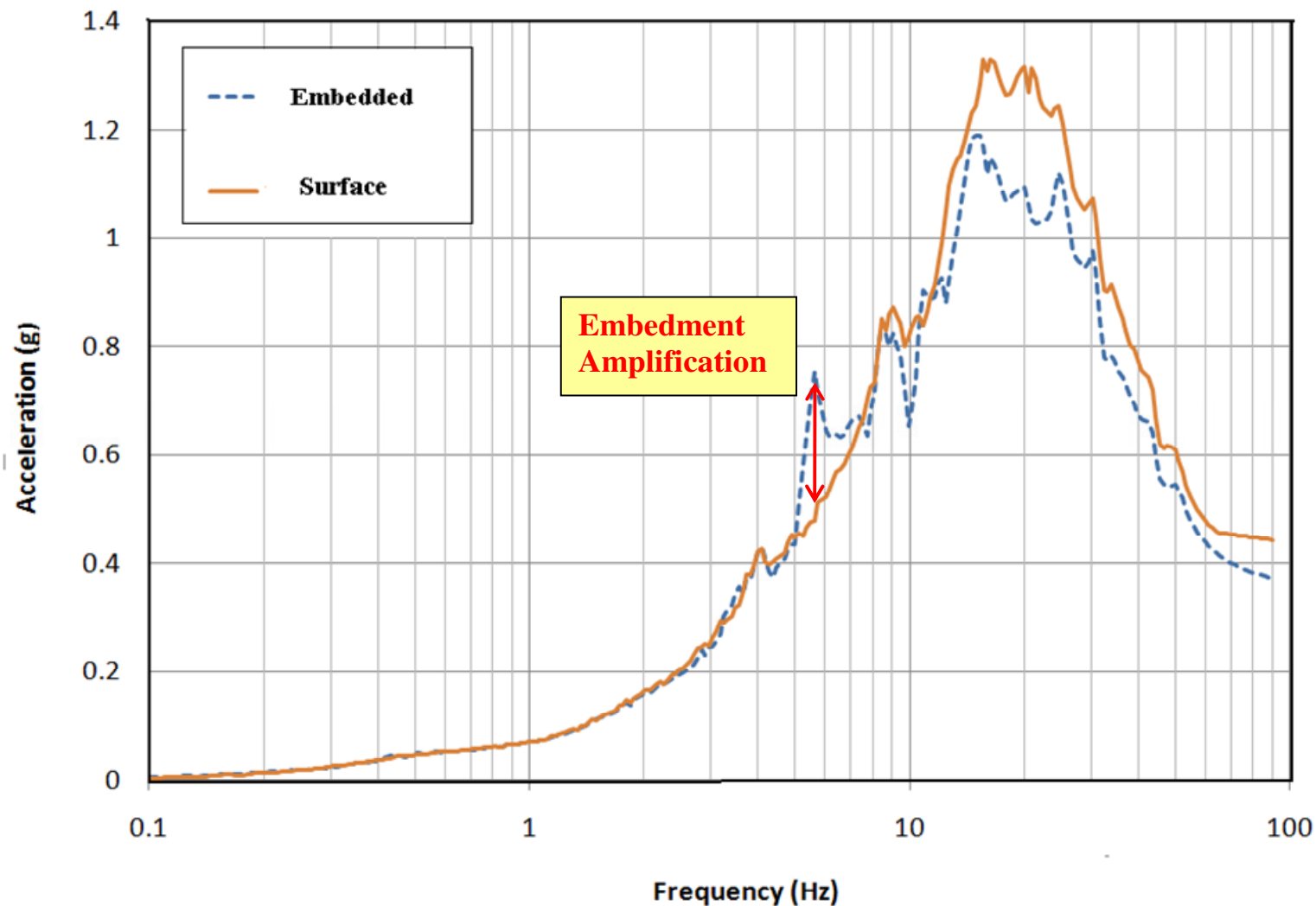


Backfill Soil Embedment Effects on ISRS

It should be noted that since the R/B complex sits on a rock formation, the effect of embedment is limited to the effect produced by the backfill side-soil vibration. These embedment effects that are mainly due to the ground motion amplification in the low frequency range, below 10 Hz, where the side-soil column frequencies occur.

In contrast to the embedment effects that manifest in low frequency range, the motion incoherency effects for rock sites manifest in high-frequency, being negligible below 10 Hz. This makes embedment effects decoupled from the incoherency effects.

Embedded vs. Surface RB Model ISRS at Base Level; Effects of Backfill Soil Vibration



Seismic SSI Analysis Procedure for Computing ISRS

Three types of SSI analyses were considered:

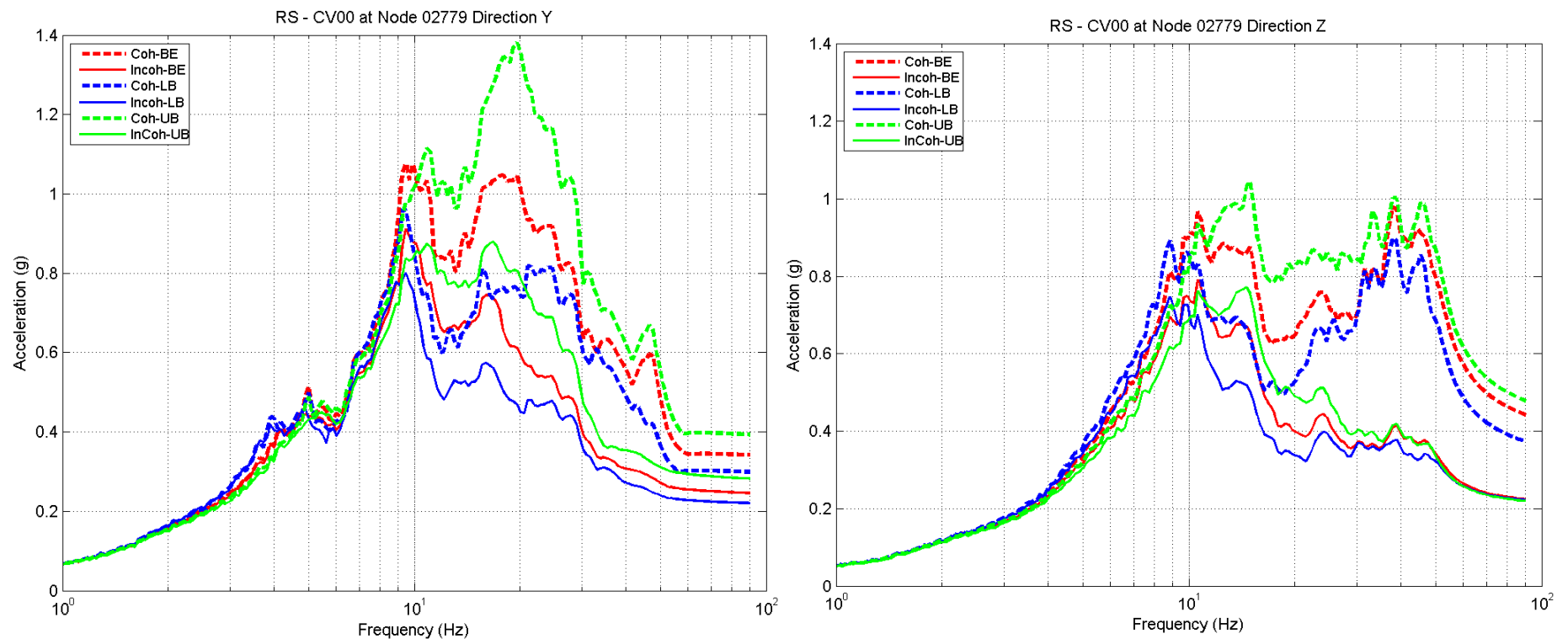
- 1) Surface foundation subjected to coherent input ground motion (SC)
- 2) Surface foundation subjected to incoherent input ground motion (SI)
- 3) Embedded foundation subjected to coherent ground motion (EC).

An efficient engineering approach was used to include the combined effects of embedment and incoherency on the ISRS results:

- Basic SSI analyses coherent for surface & embedded model and incoherent for surface model were performed for the three soil property sets, BE, LB, UB
- The final site-specific ISRS were obtained by multiplying the surface model incoherent ISRS by the amplification factors that were computed using the ISRS results of SSI analyses with coherent input ground motion.
- The embedment amplification factors were computed as ratio of the coherent ISRS enveloping the response of the surface and embedded models to the coherent ISRS enveloping the response of surface model.

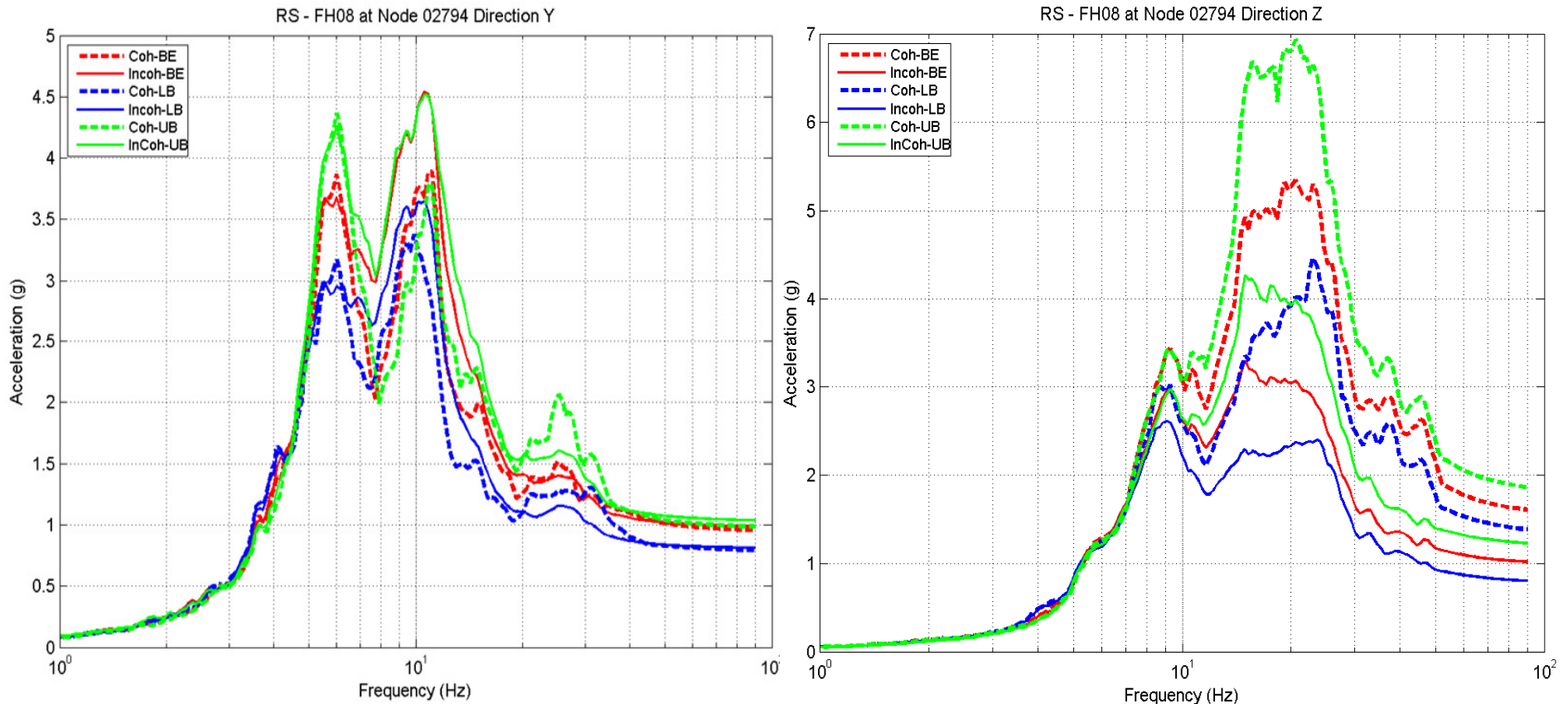
ISRS and Structural Force Results

Coherent vs. Incoherent SSI Analysis Results.
5% Damp ISRS at PCCV Base-Center in Y and Z-Dir

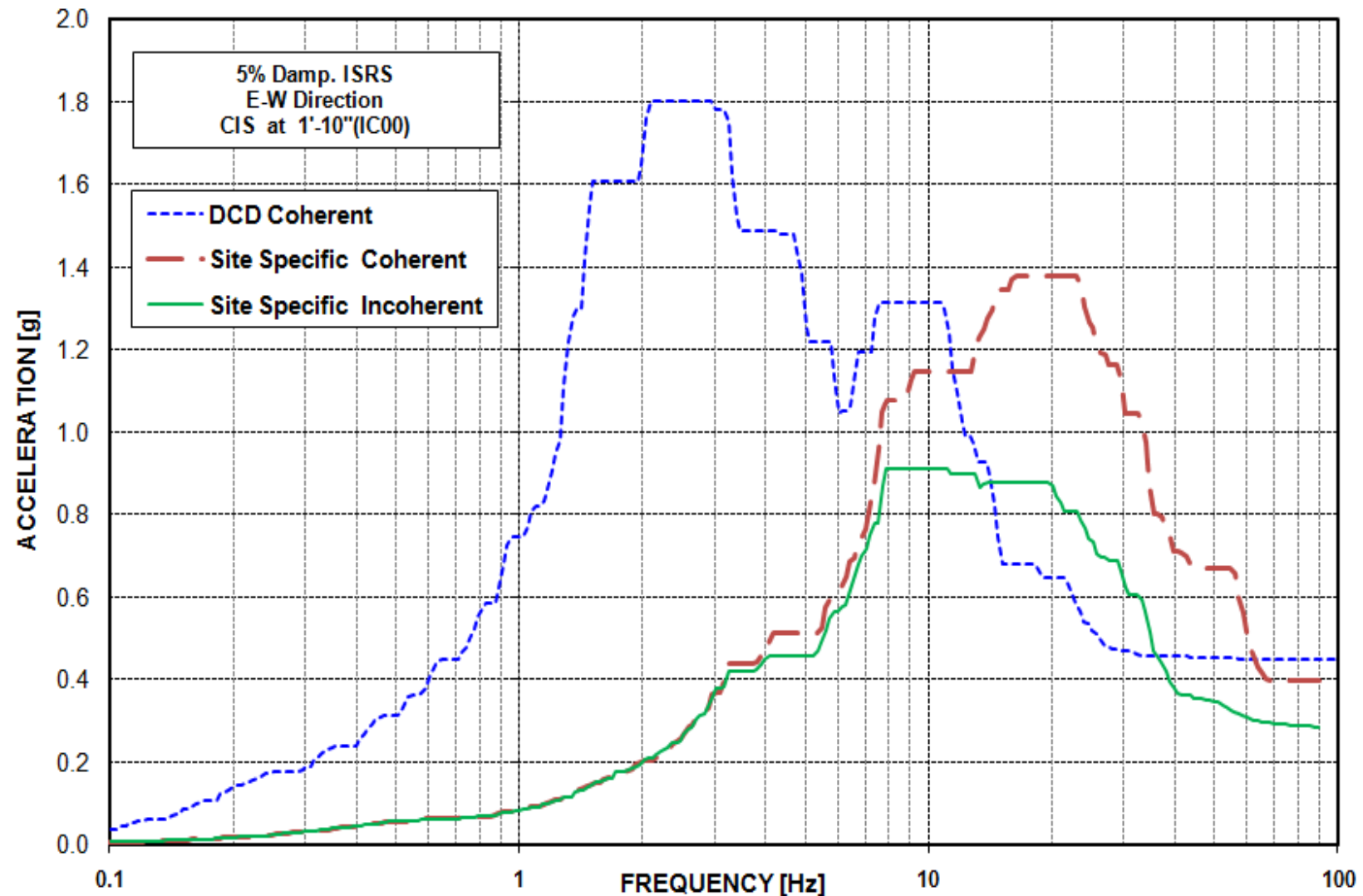


Coherent vs. Incoherent SSI Analysis Results.

5% Damp ISRS Plots at RB Top-Edge in Y and Z-Dir

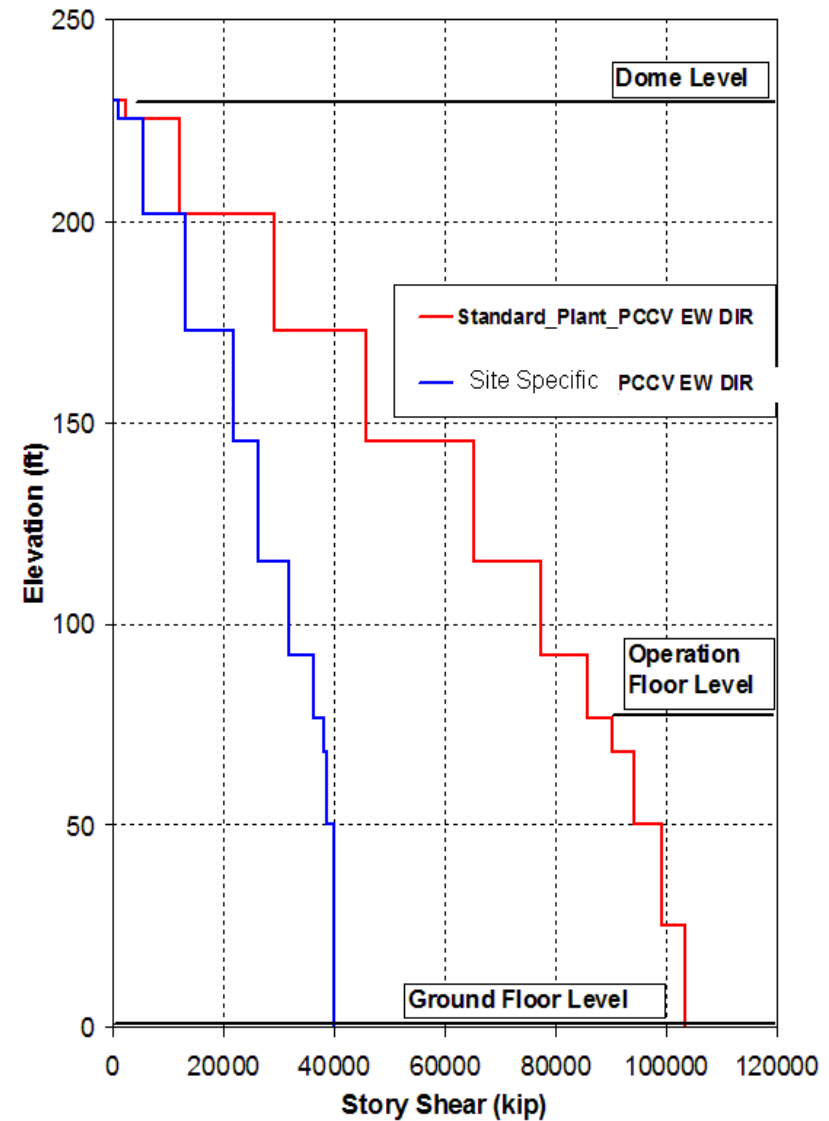
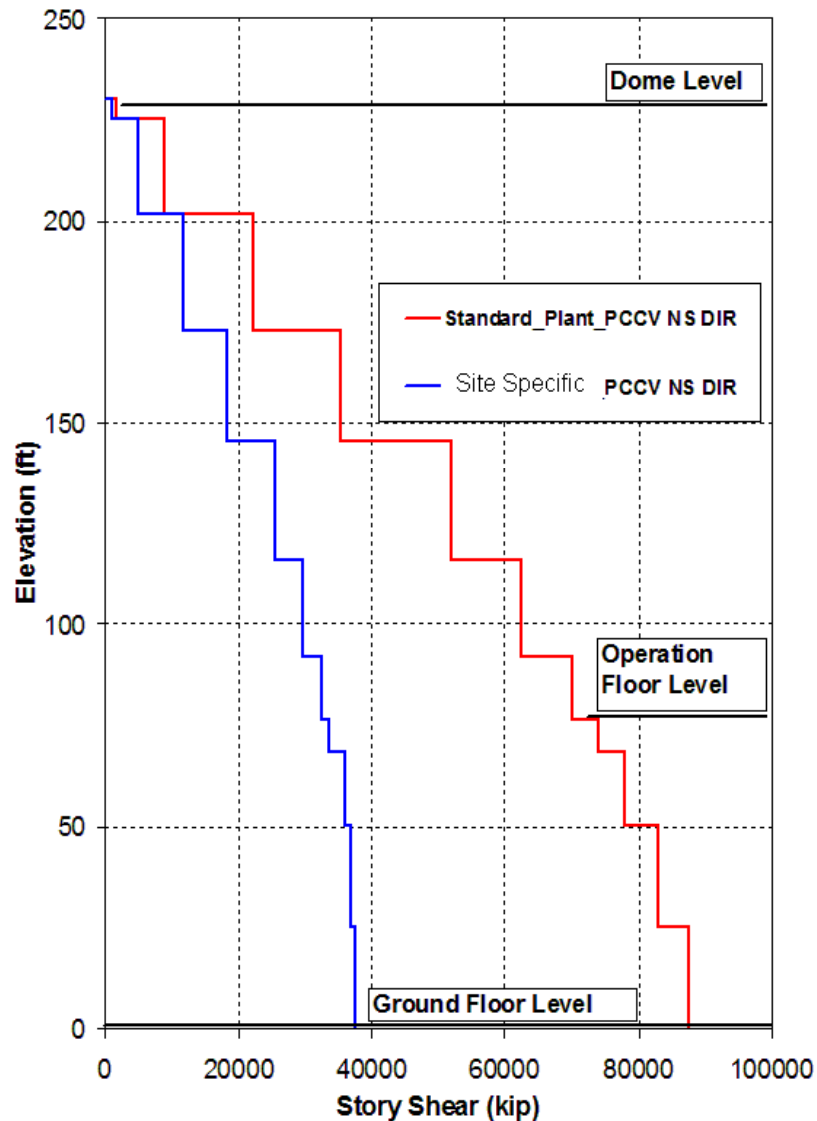


Site-Independent vs. Site-Specific Coherent and Incoherent Final ISRS Results at CIS Base in Y-Dir



Site-Independent vs. Site-Specific Structural Forces

Shear Forces in PCCV Structure in X and Y Dir



Conclusions of RB Complex Case Study

Main conclusions of the SSI analysis are:

- 1) It was shown that these effects are decoupled since the backfill embedment effects manifests in low frequency range below 8-10 Hz, while the incoherency effects manifest.
- 2) The site-specific ISRS are lower than the standard design ISRS in the low and mid frequency ranges, but could be larger than standard design ISRS in the high frequency range.
- 3) The site-specific structural forces are significantly lower than the standard design structural forces for all of the R/B structures.
- 4) Since the foundation basemat of R/B structures has larger footprint dimensions, 309 ft x 210 ft, the incoherent ISRS are larger than coherent ISRS for the structures located close to the edges of the basemat in the longitudinal direction. These amplifications are for torsional motions due to horizontal inputs, and rocking motions due to vertical input.
- 5) The effects of basemat flexibility on the site-specific ISRS are larger for the vertical direction, for which the R/B structures behave as a multiple support excitation system. Separate local rocking motions excited by shorter wavelength motion components are visible.

Seismic Motion Incoherency Effects for Nuclear Complex Structures On Different Soil Site Conditions

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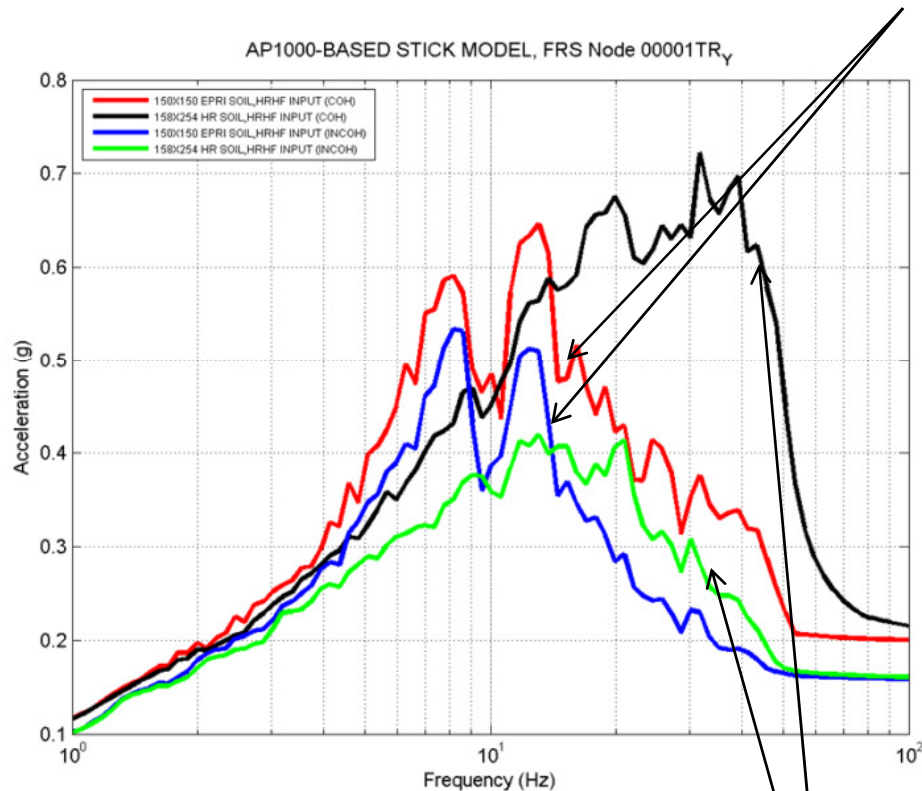
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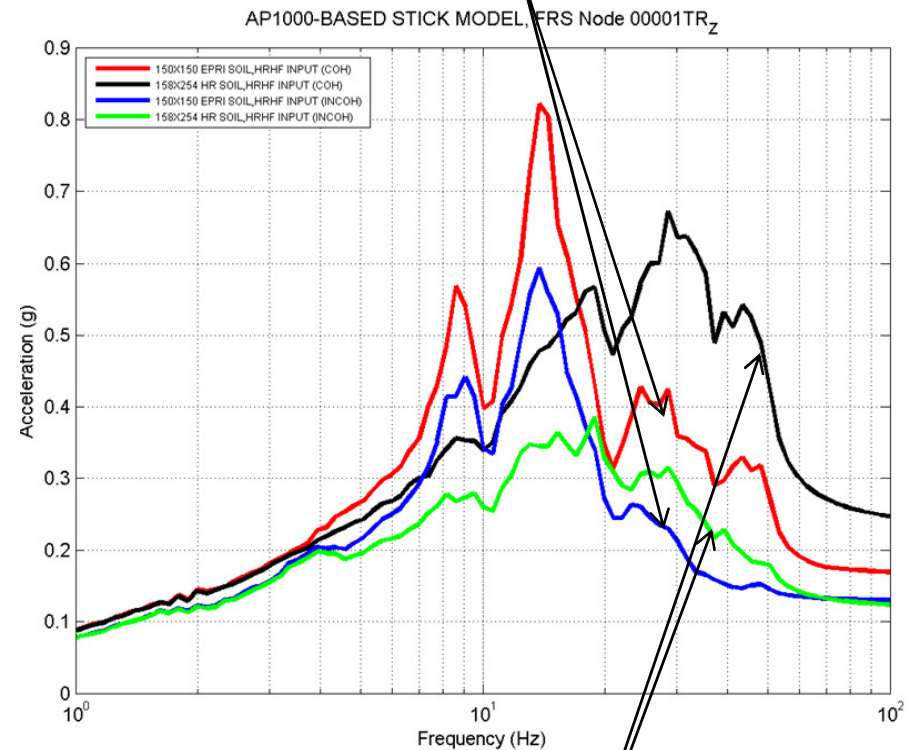
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Modified AP1000 Stick Model Studies: Effects of Foundation Size and Rock Stiffness – ISRS at Basemat

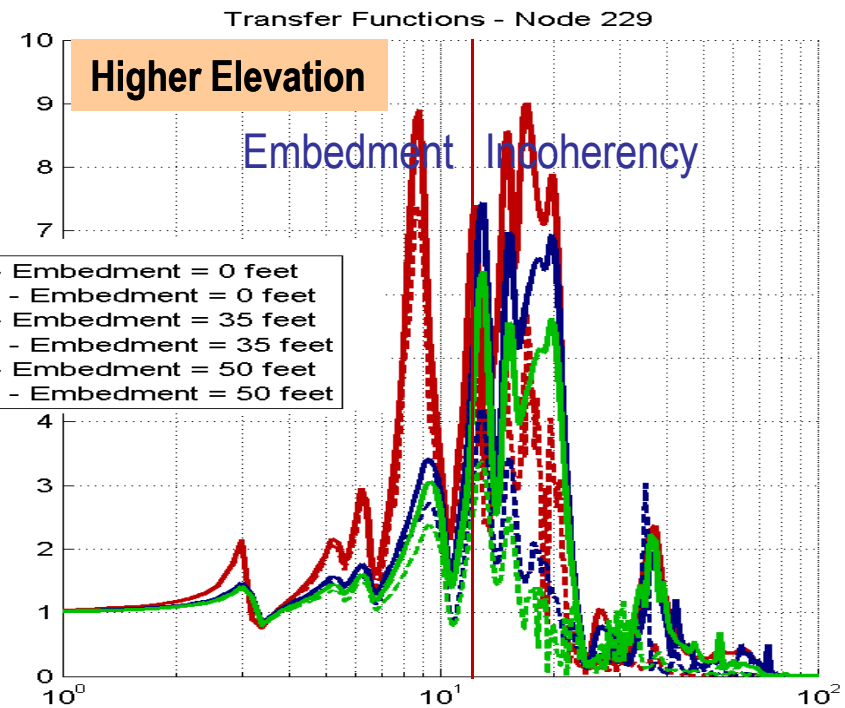
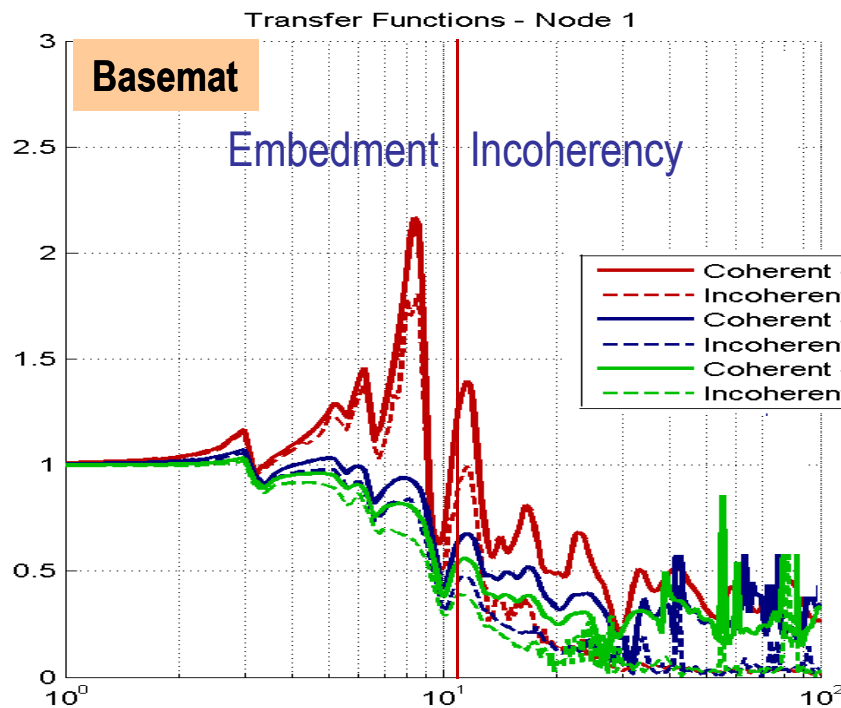
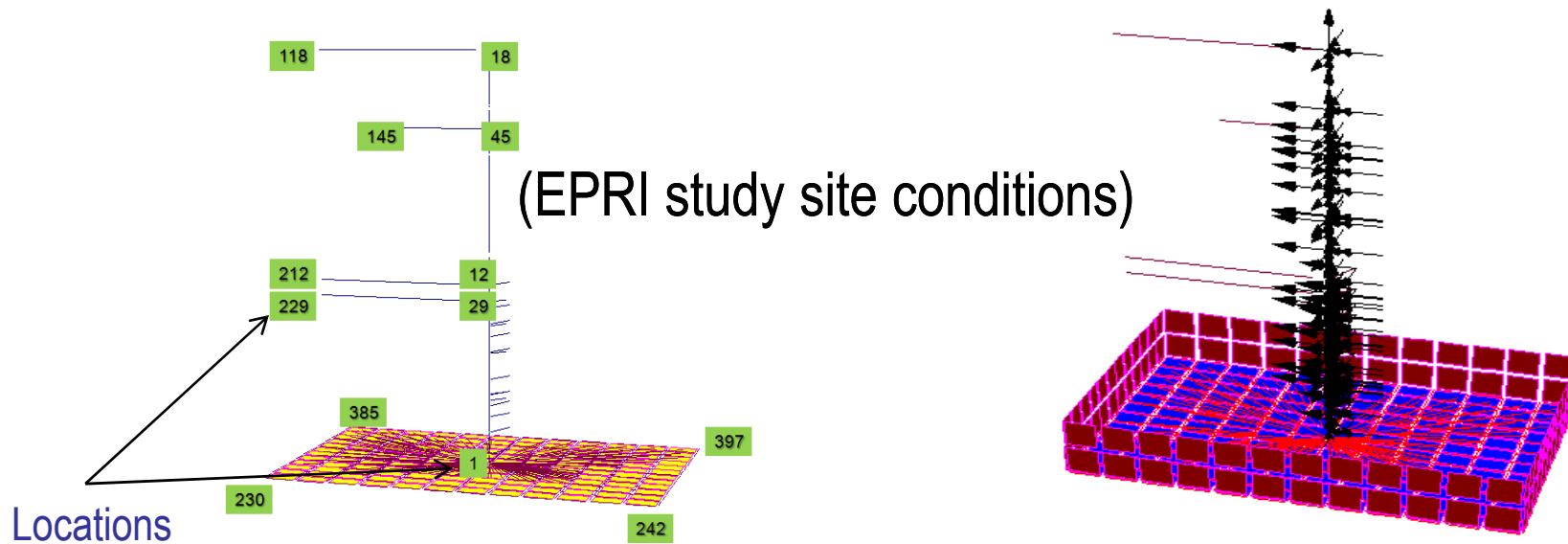
EPRI Site, 150ft x 150ft Size



Hard-Rock Site, 158ft x 254ft Size



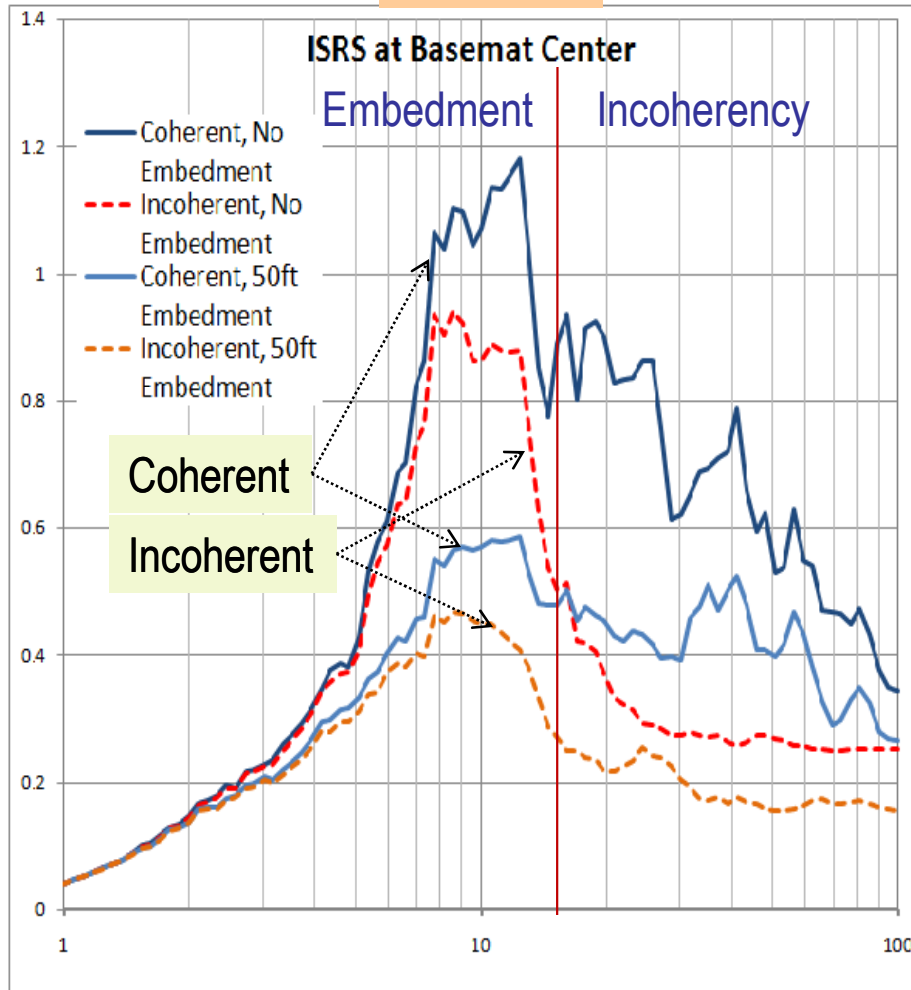
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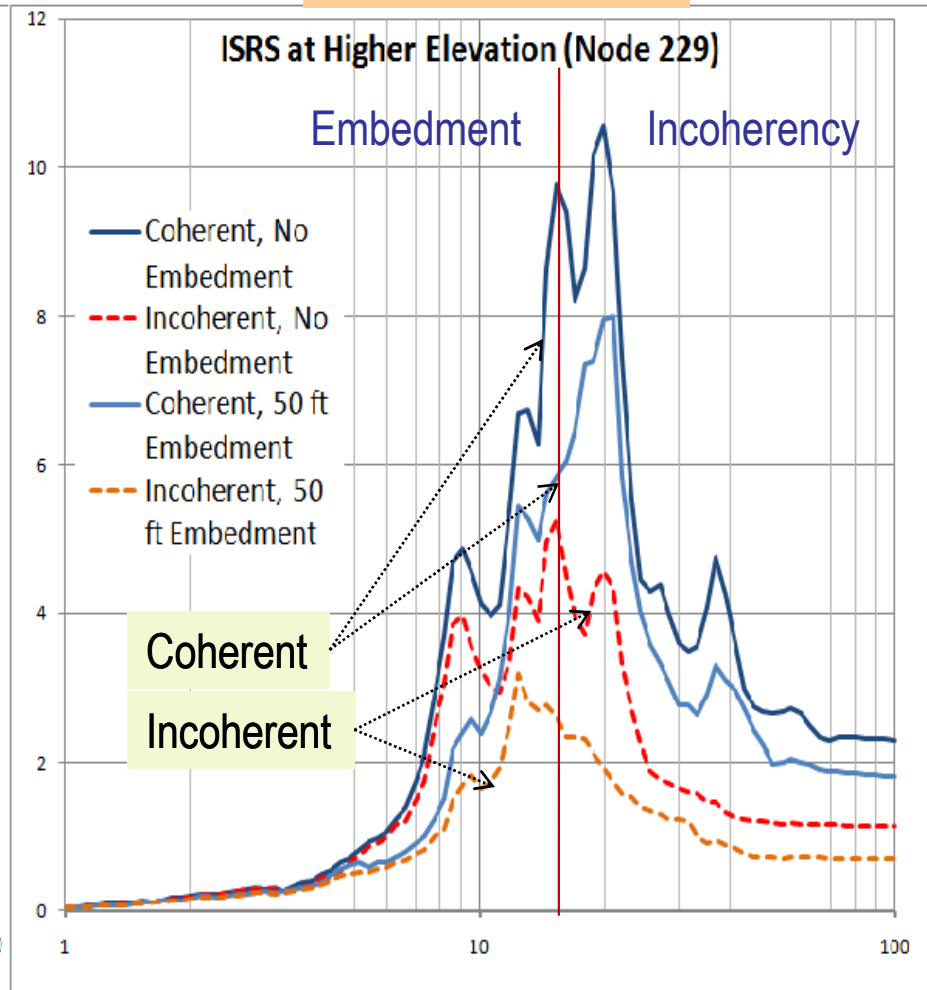
Embedded EPRI AP1000 Stick ISRS Response

(EPRI study model, input and site conditions)

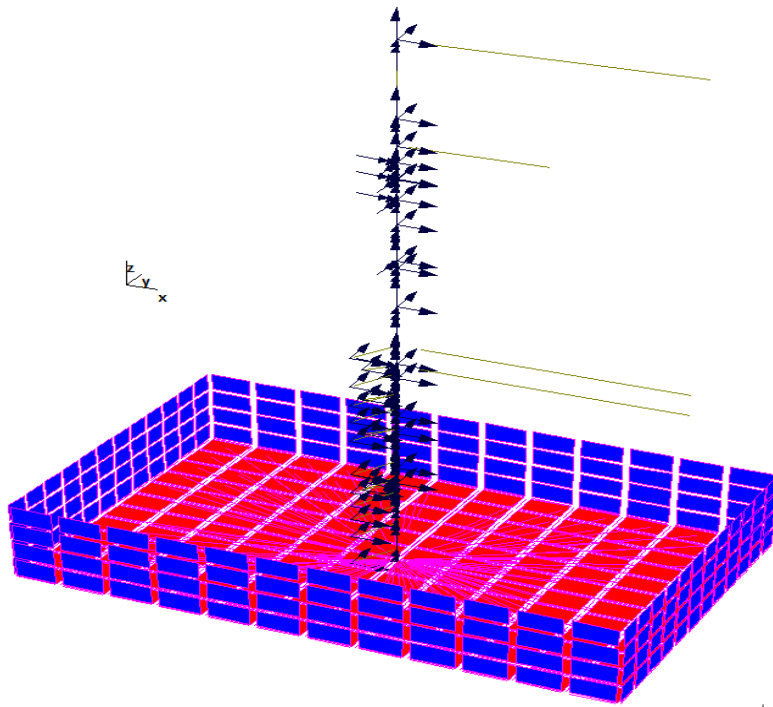
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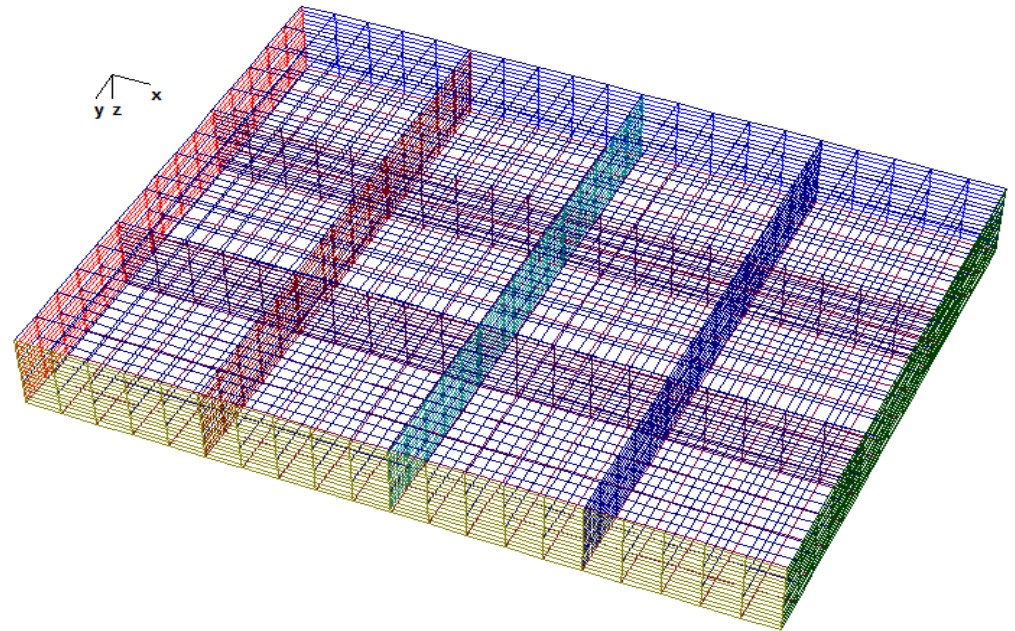
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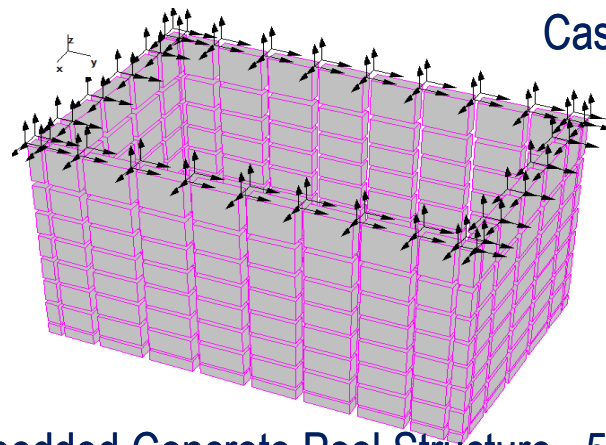
Seismic Incoherent SSI Analysis Case Studies



Case 1: 40 ft Embedded AP1000 NI
158ft x 254ft Size



Case 2: Large-Size Building
350ft x 450ft Size



Case 3: 30 ft Embedded Concrete Pool Structure . 50ft x 80ft Size

CASE 1: AP1000 Stick for Different Site Conditions

Inputs:

Hard-Rock Site:

- Structure: AP1000 Stick Model with No and 40 ft Embedment
- Soil Deposit: Uniform soil layering with Vs of about 8,000fps
- Control Motion: HRHF Input (spectral peak in 20-30 Hz range)
- Incoherency: 2007 Abrahamson Coherence Function for Hard-Rock

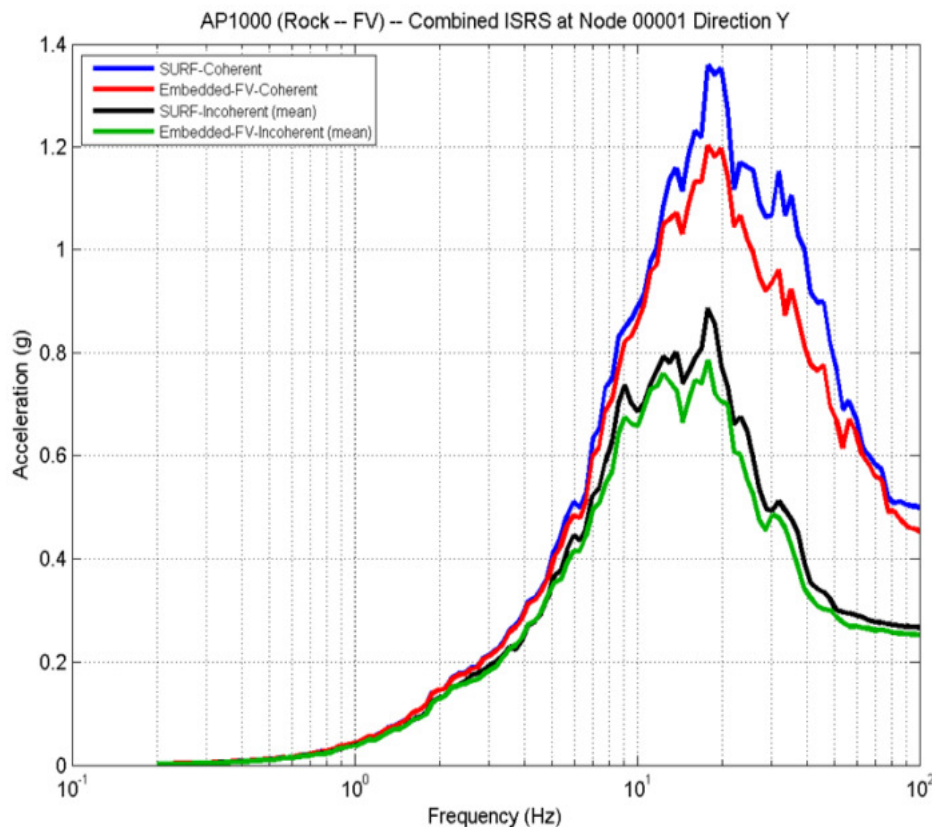
Soil Site:

- Structure: AP1000 Stick Model with No and 40 ft Embedment
- Soil Deposit: Uniform soil layering with Vs of about 1,000fps
- Control Motion: RG 1.60 Input
- Incoherency: 2007 Abrahamson Coherence Function for Soil

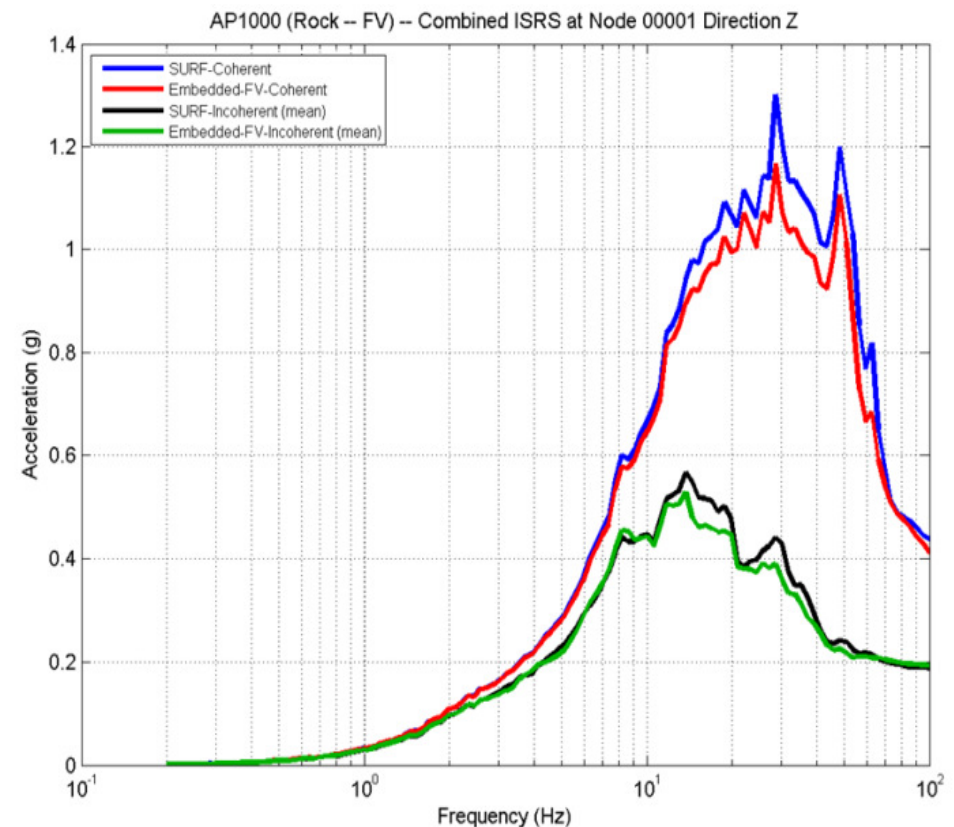
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Modified AP1000 NI Founded on Rock; Effects of Incoherency and Embedment – ISRS at Basemat

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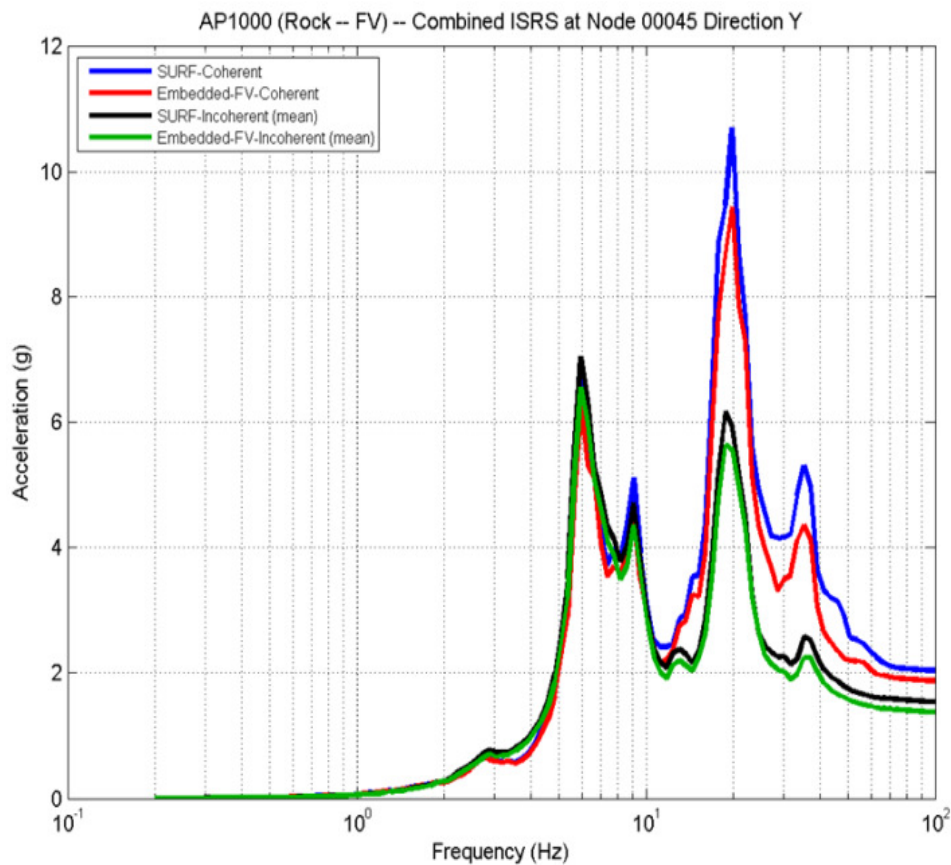


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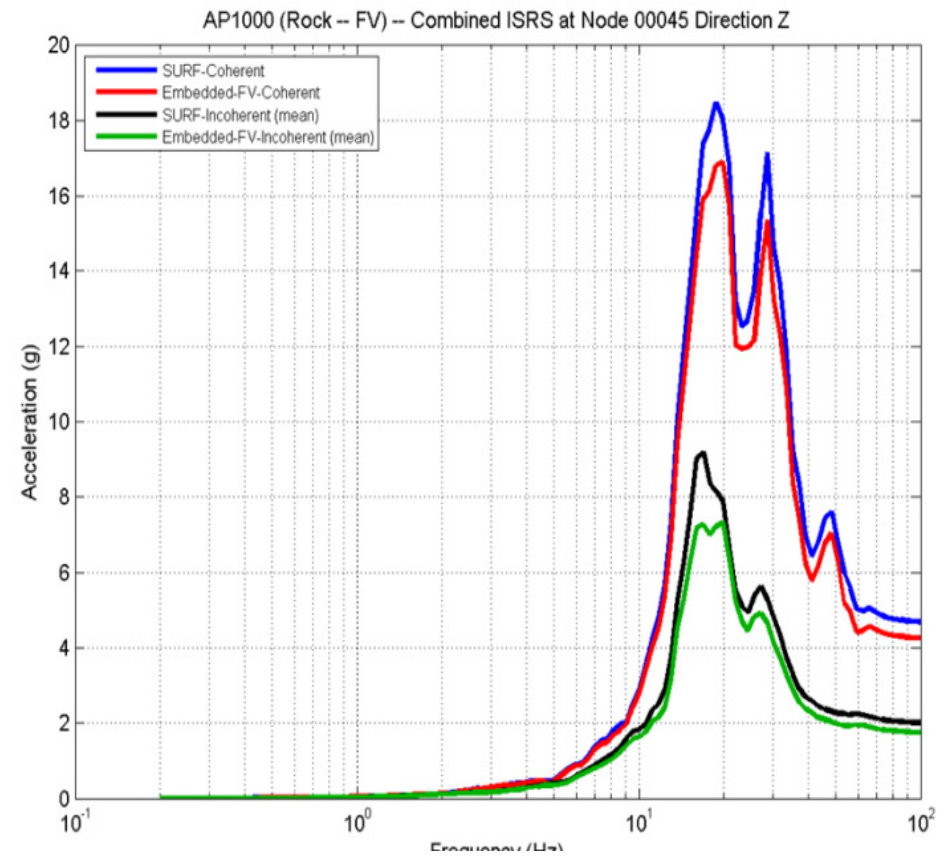


Modified AP1000 NI Founded on Rock; Effects of Incoherency and Embedment – ISRS at Top of SCV

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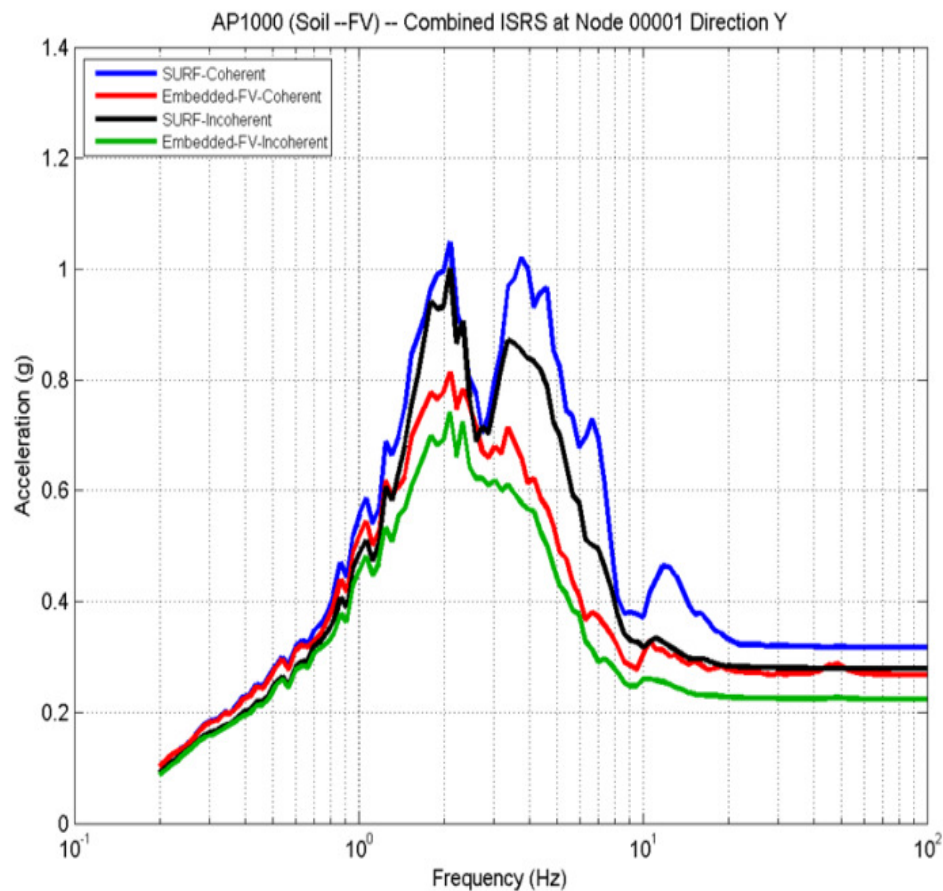


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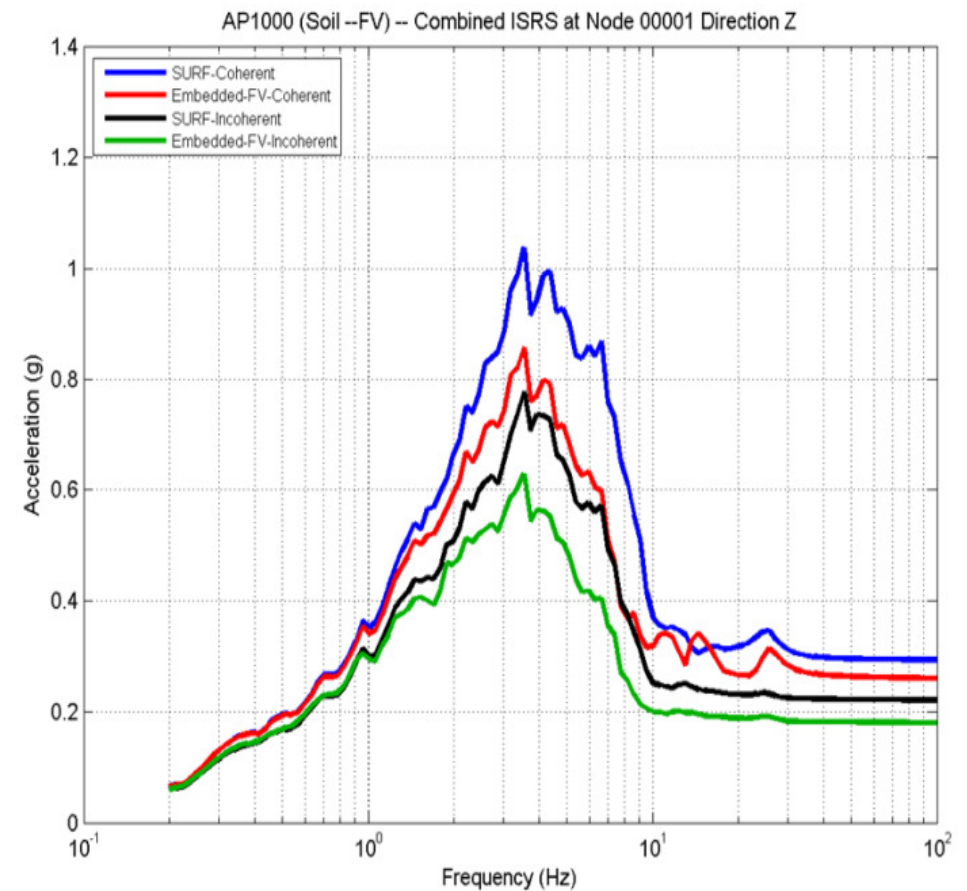


Modified AP1000 NI Founded on Soil; Effects of Incoherency and Embedment – ISRS at Basemat

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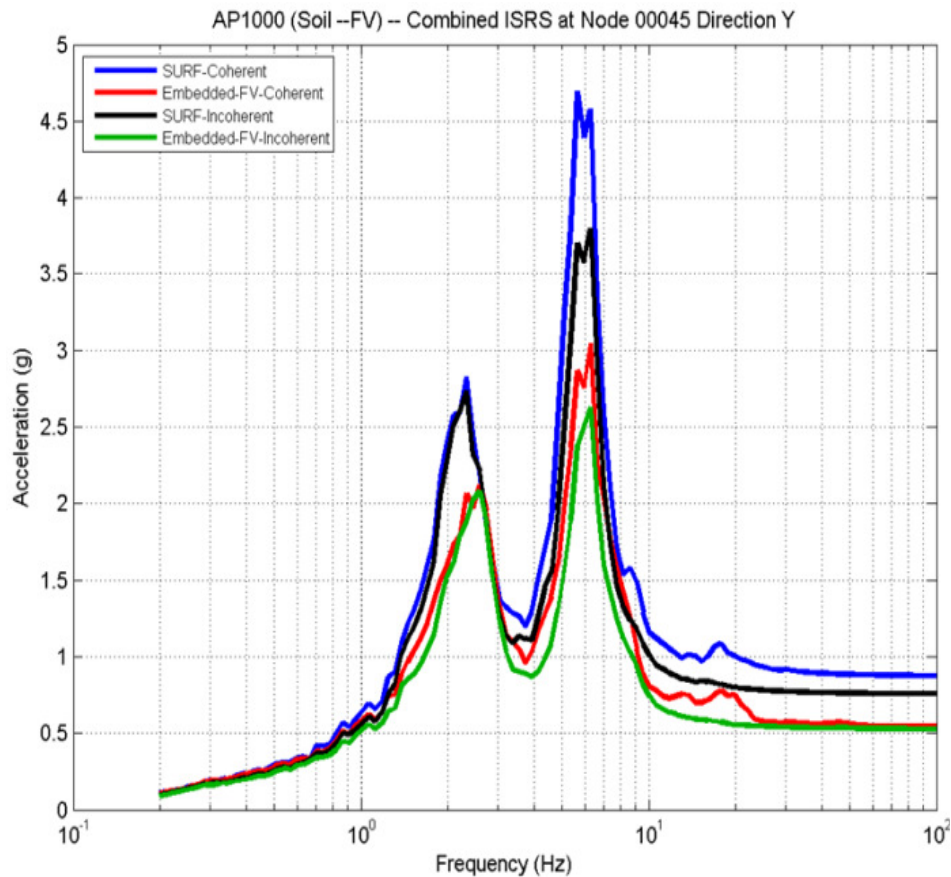


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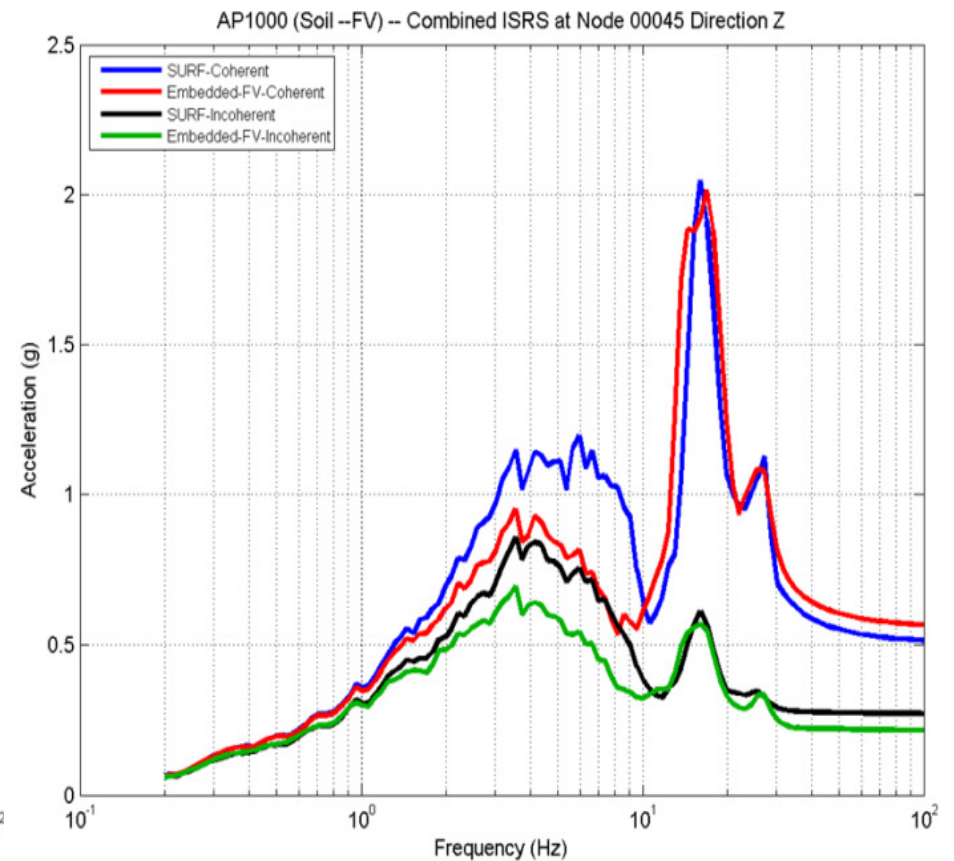


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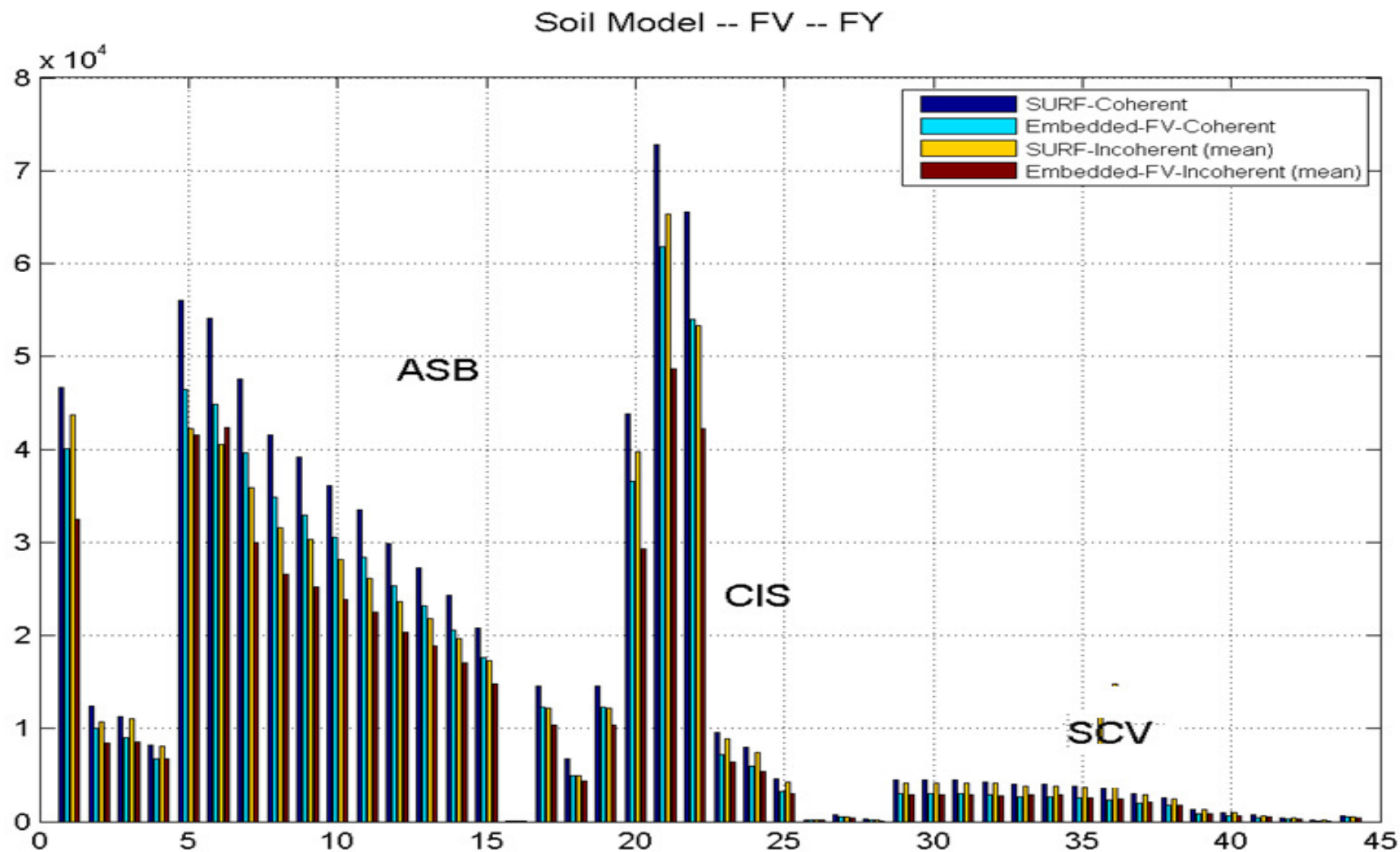


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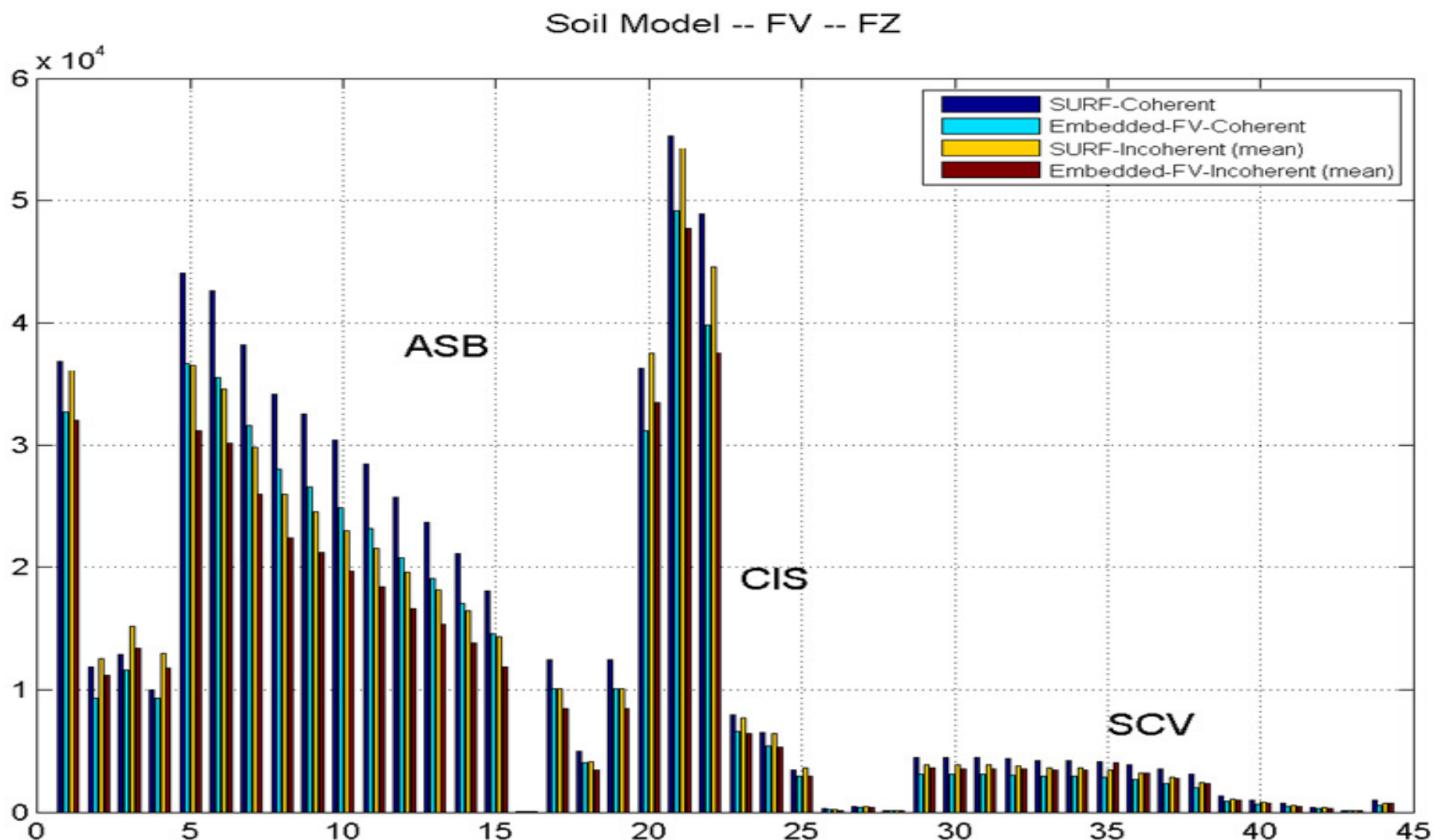


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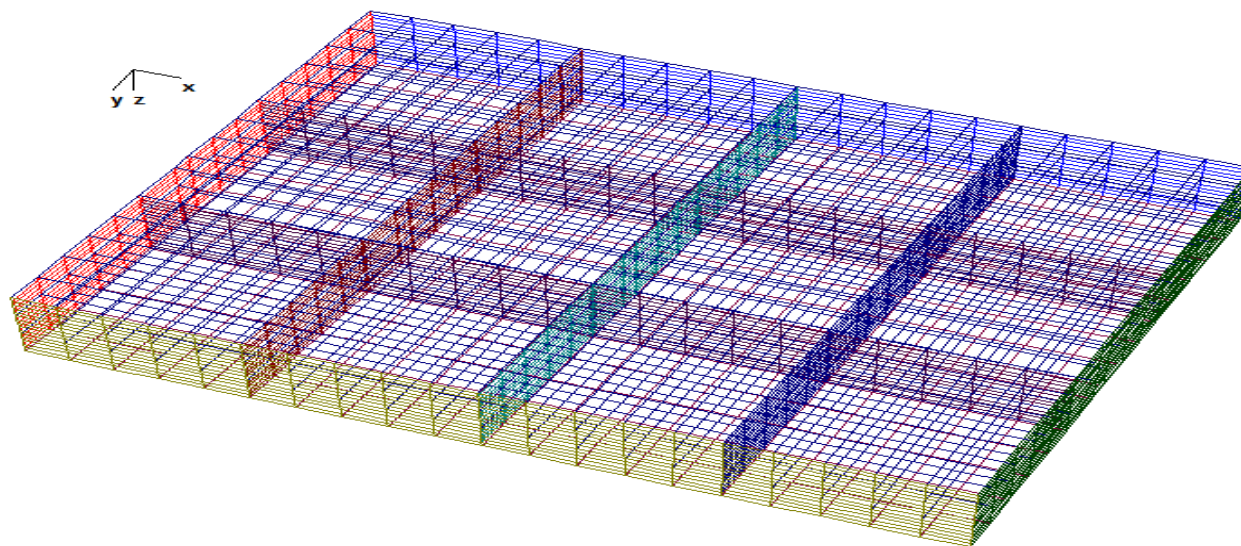
Coherent and Incoherent SSI for Surface and Embedded AP1000 Model. Shear Forces in NI Structures for X-Dir



Coherent and Incoherent SSI for Surface and Embedded AP1000 Model. Shear Forces in NI Structures for Y-Dir



CASE 2: Large-Size Shear Wall Structure



SSI Analysis Inputs:

- Structure: Assumed with surface flexible foundation of 350ft x 450ft size
- Soil Deposit: Uniform soil layering with V_s of 4,500 fps
- Control Motion: HRHF Input (EPRI input, RS highest in 20-30 Hz range)
- Incoherency: 2007 Abrahamson Coherence Function for Hard-Rock
- Wave Passage: $V_a = 6,000$ fps at 30 degree angle with X longitudinal axis

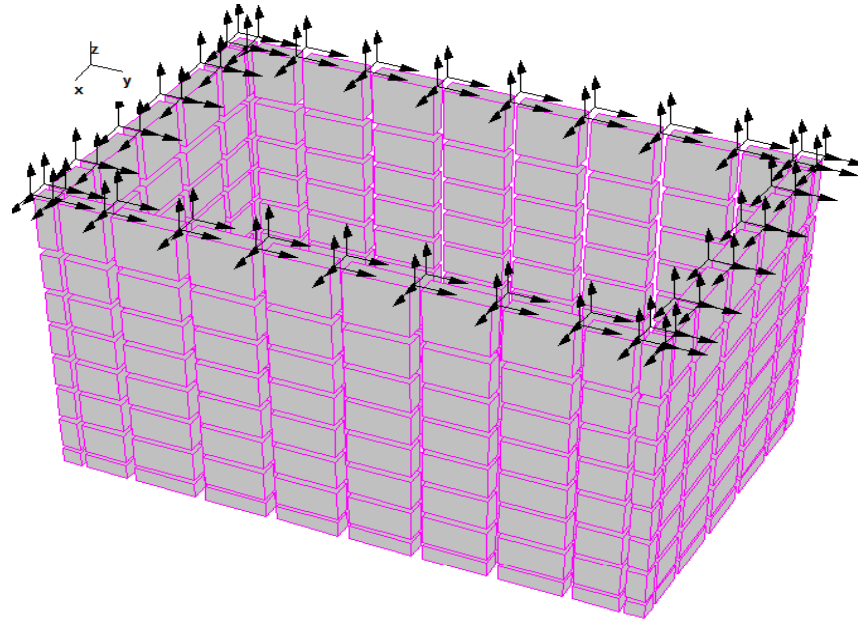
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Coherent and Incoherent Forces and Moments in External and Internal Shear Walls

Element	Analysis	Va	Value	Axial	Shear	Moment
	coh		max	35.398	28.541	3.476
	incoh	Infinity	max	26.987	24.671	3.809
external wall			ratio	0.762	0.864	1.096
		6000	max	40.309	31.365	4.474
			ratio	1.139	1.099	1.287
	coh		max	19.313	45.618	2.874
	incoh	Infinity	max	14.940	35.326	2.242
interior wall			ratio	0.774	0.774	0.780
		6000	max	13.807	32.663	1.811
			ratio	0.715	0.716	0.630

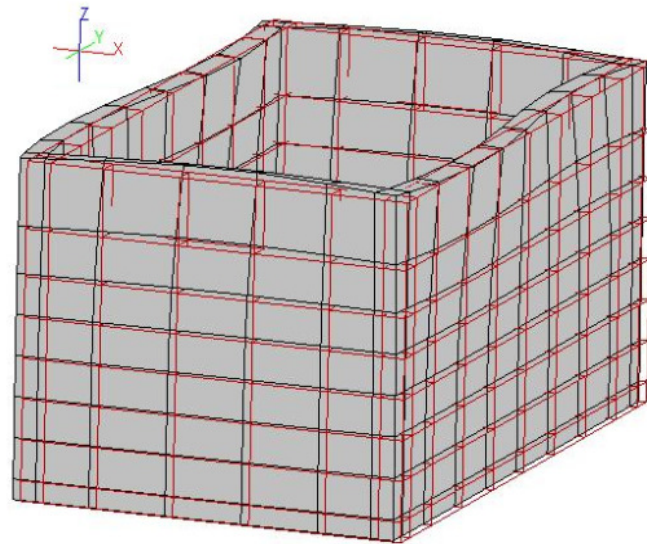
30 ft Embedded Concrete Pool Structure



ACS SASSI SSI Analysis Inputs:

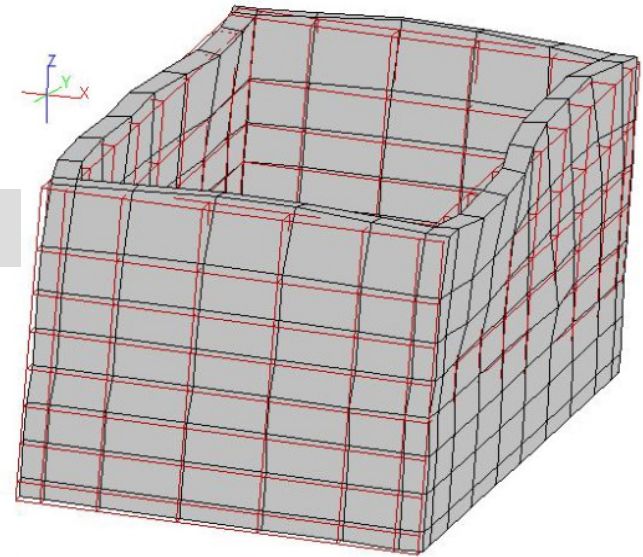
- Structure: Embedded Concrete Pool Structure of 50ft x 80ft Size
- Soil Deposit: Uniform soil layering with Vs of about 1,000fps
- Control Motion: RG 1.60 Input
- Incoherency: 2007 Abrahamson Coherence Function for Soil

Coherent and Incoherent SSI Motions and Stresses

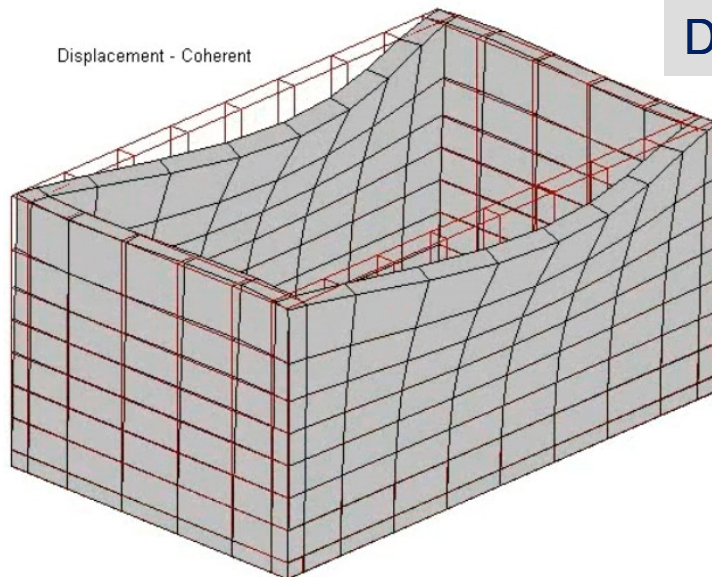


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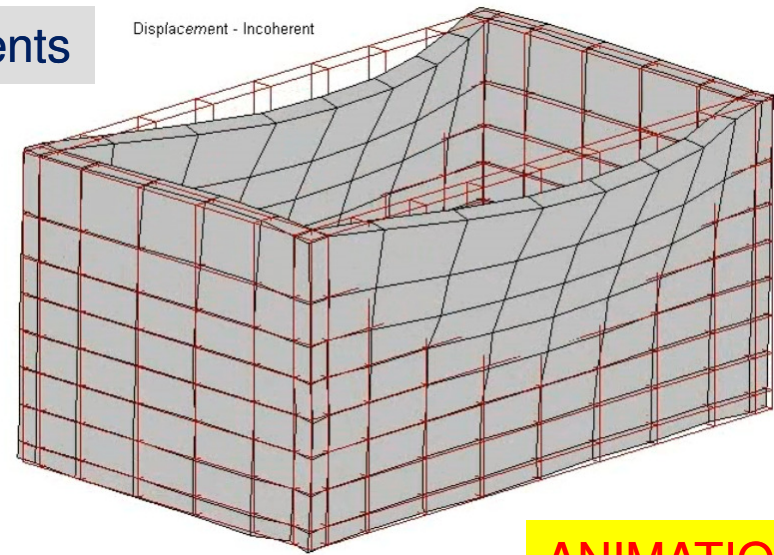
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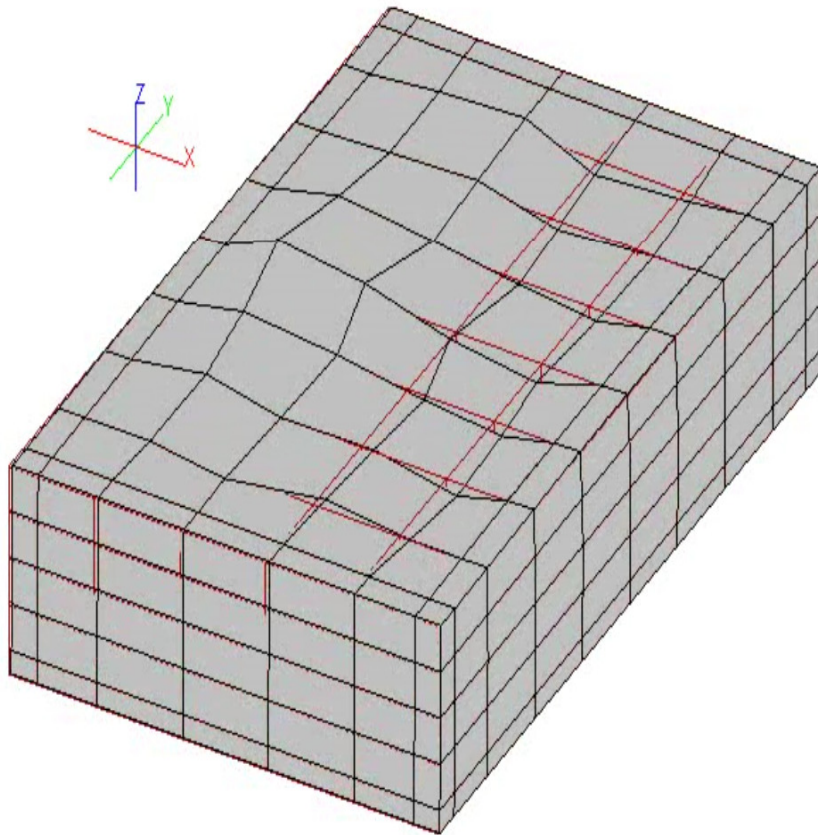
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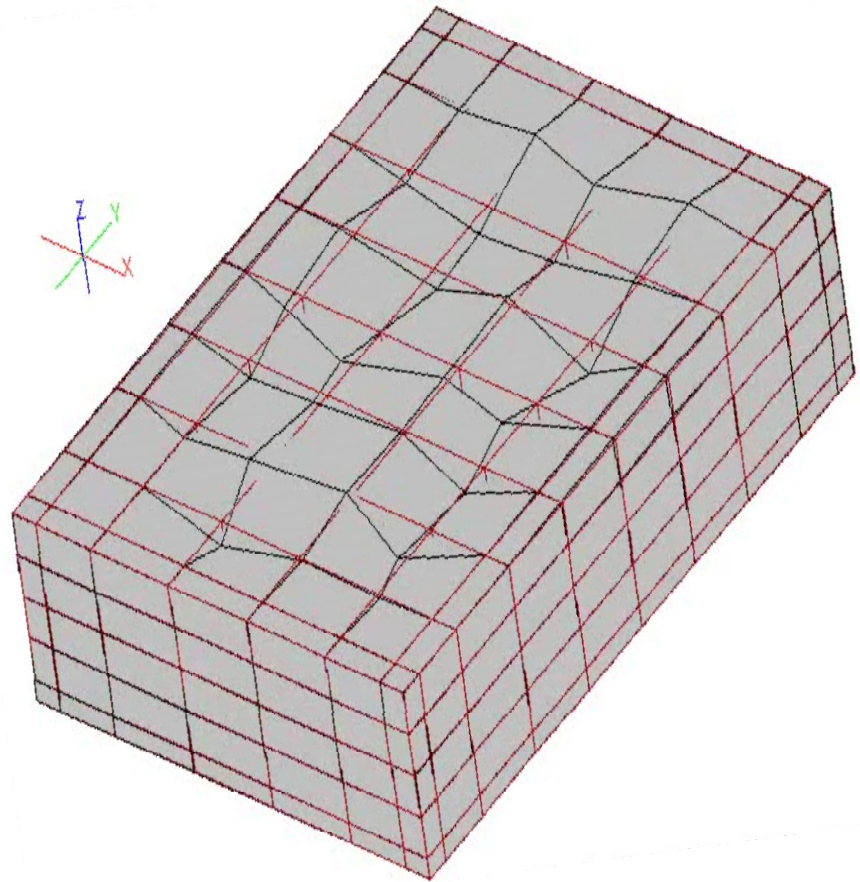
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Incoherent vs. Coherent Excavated Soil Motion

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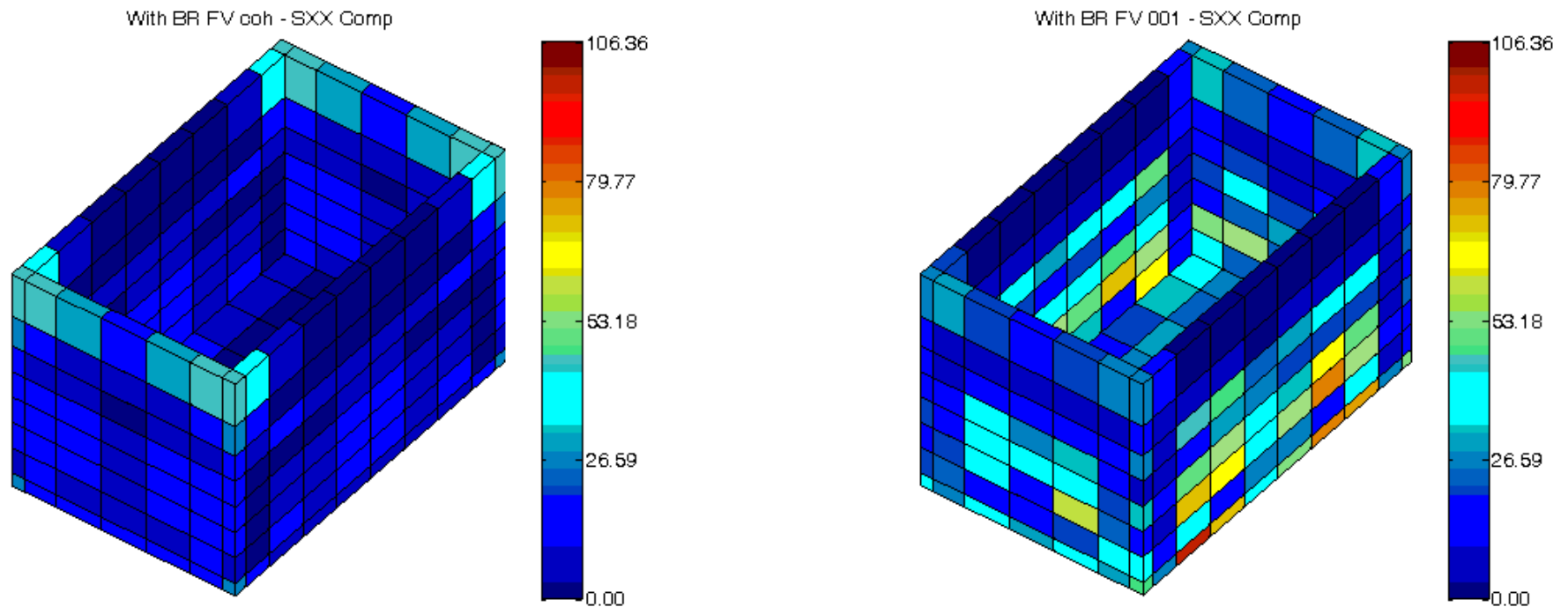
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Seismic Coherent vs. Incoherent Stresses for X-Input

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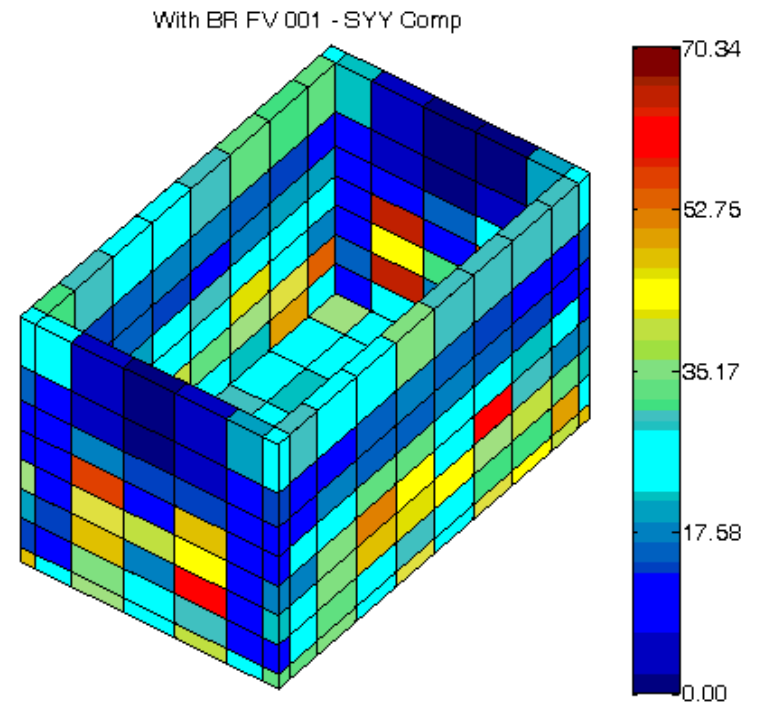
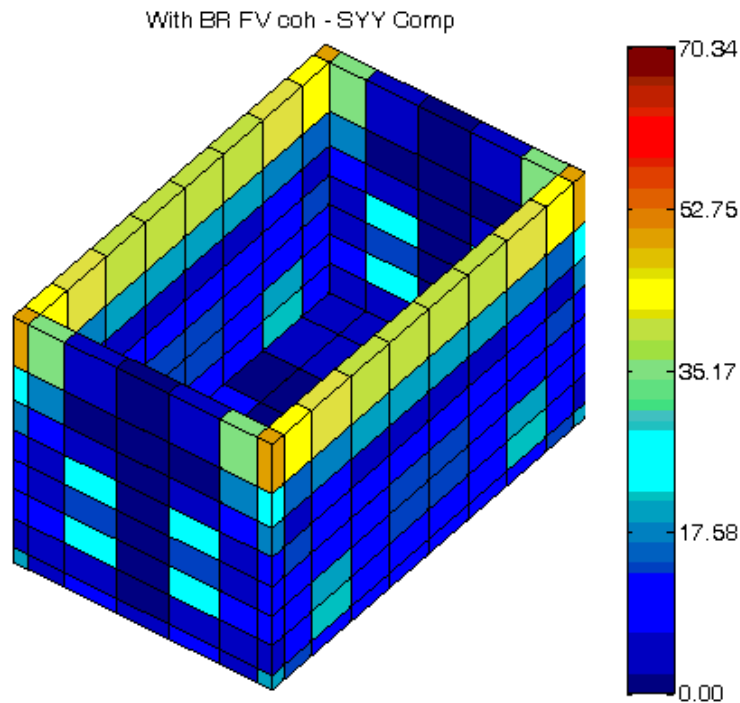
Element Center Stresses SXX



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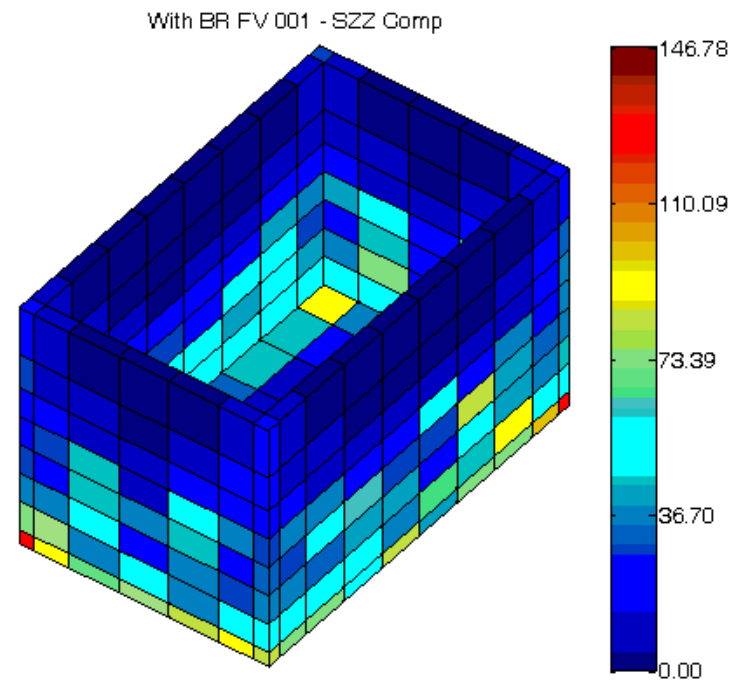
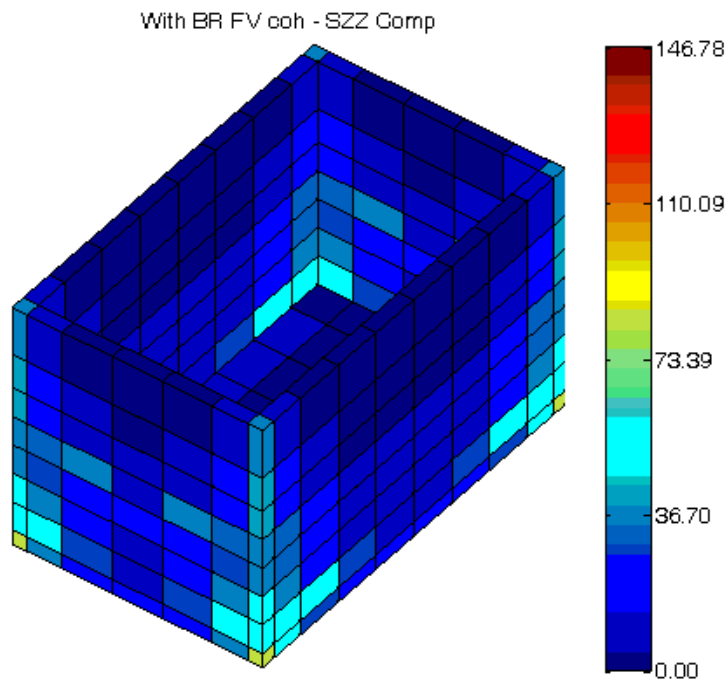
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Seismic Coherent vs. Incoherent Stresses for X-Input

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Element Center Stresses SZZ



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Conclusions for Case Studies

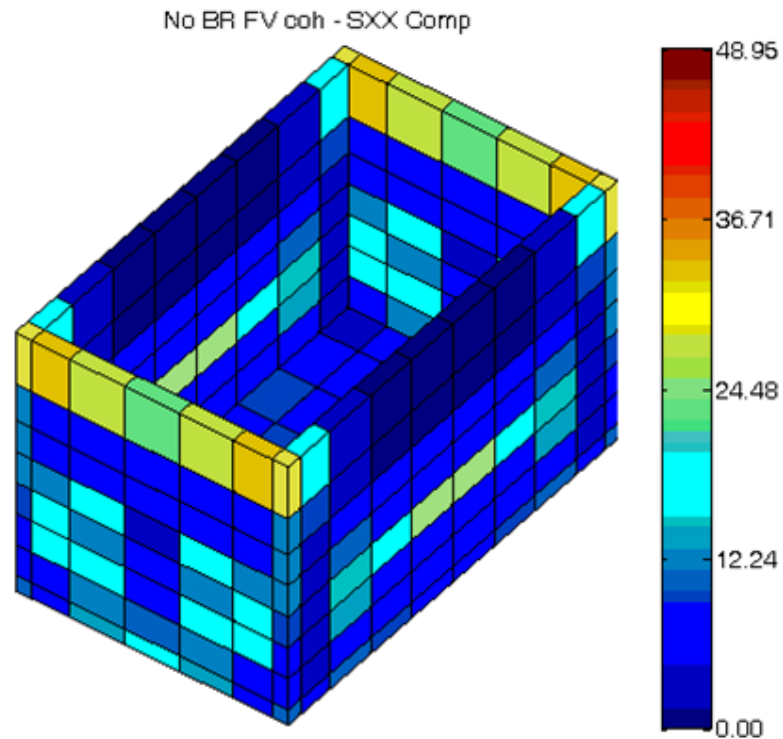
The effects of motion incoherency are:

- 1) Reduce the ISRS amplitudes in high–frequency range. For rock sites, large ISRS amplitude reductions of 2-3 times are possible.
- 2) Could increase in some locations the bending moments in base slabs and embedded walls
- 3) For large foundation sizes, increase the shear wall forces in external walls placed at the far end edges
- 4) The inclusion of wave passage effects could be favorable for interior shear walls and detrimental for external walls located at the longitudinal edges.
More in-depth research is needed.
- 5) For deeply embedded structures, the incoherency effects are to reduce the global resultant of the local soil pressures, but locally might produce “hot spot” pressures due to short wavelength soil motion components. Wave scattering effects around deeply embedded structures are sensitive to motion incoherency. *More in-depth research is needed.*

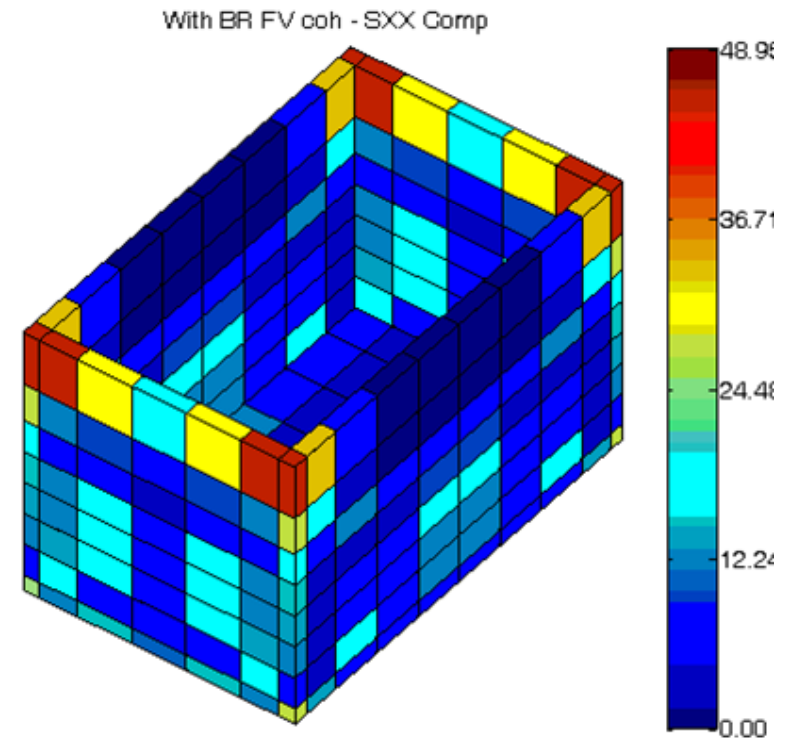
Seismic Stresses for X-Input (Frame 903) Using FV method

Half-space Soil vs. Backfill Soil Layer with $V_s = 1.000$ on Rock $V_s = 5,500$ fps

Element Center Stresses SXX



Half-space



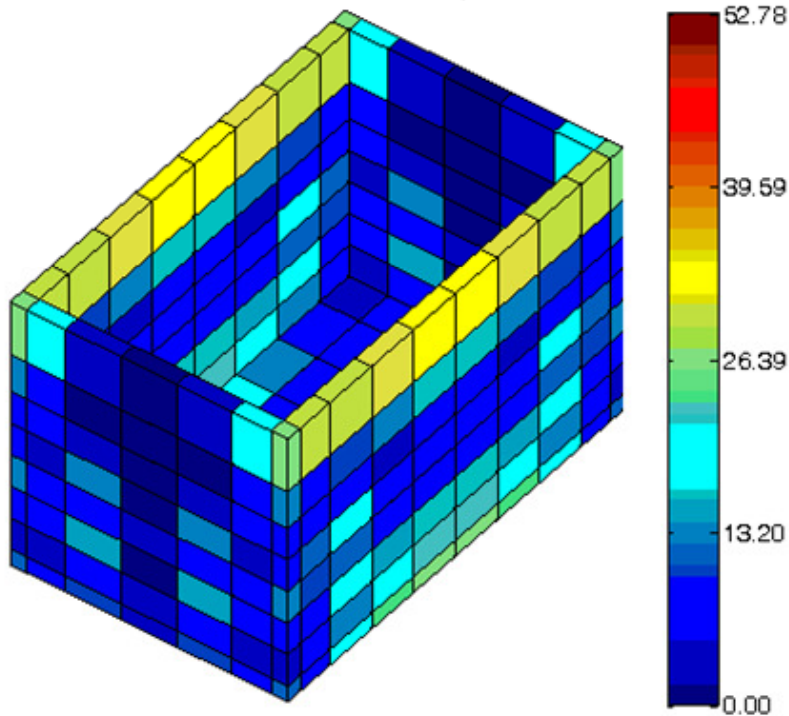
Baserock

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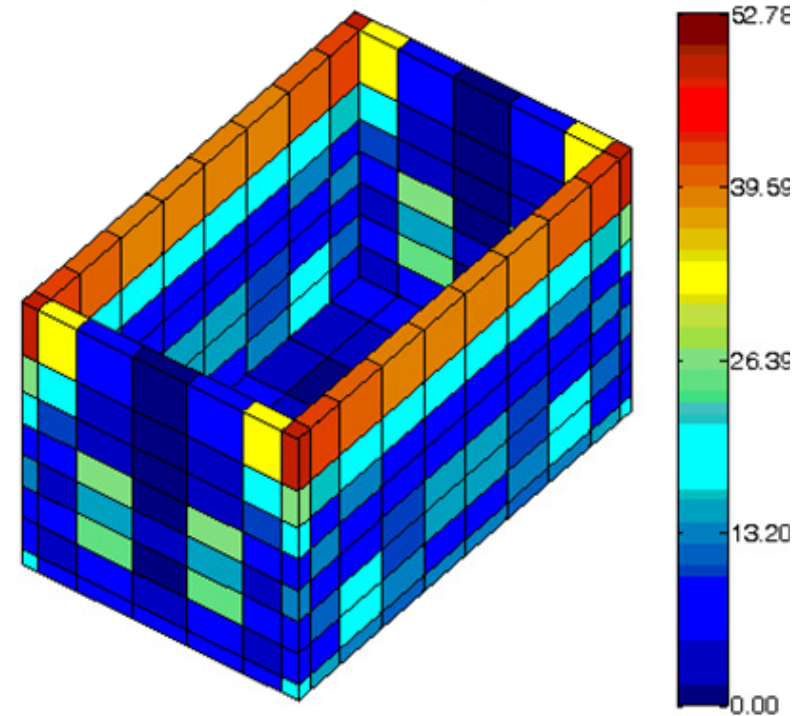
Element Center Stresses SYX

No BR FV coh - SYX Comp



Half-space

With BR FV coh - SYX Comp

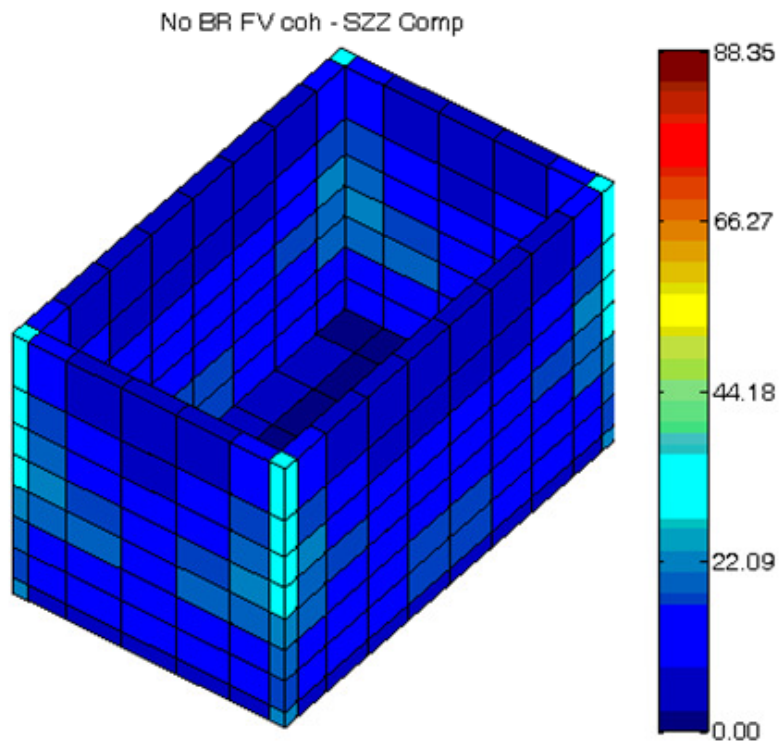


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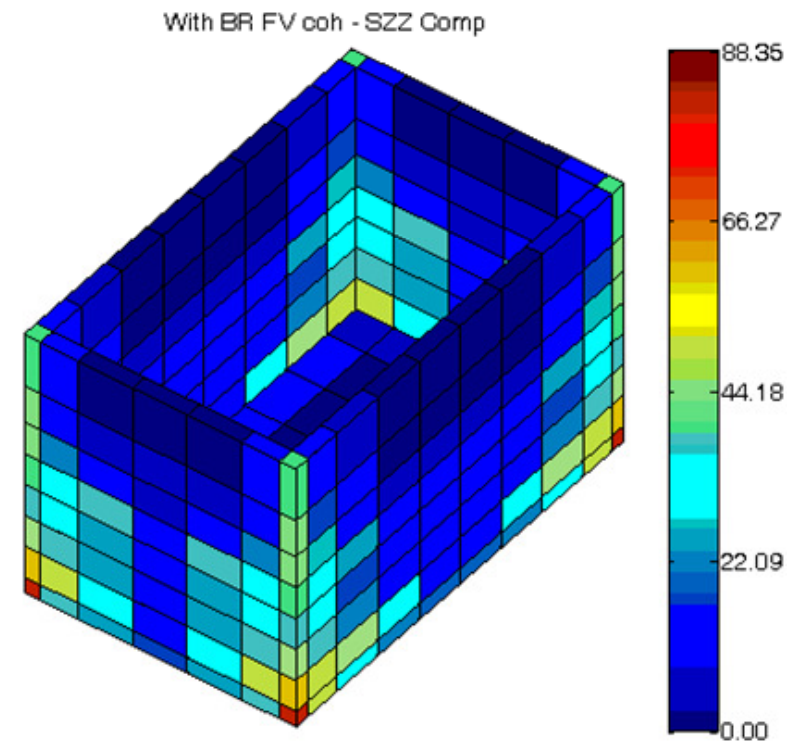
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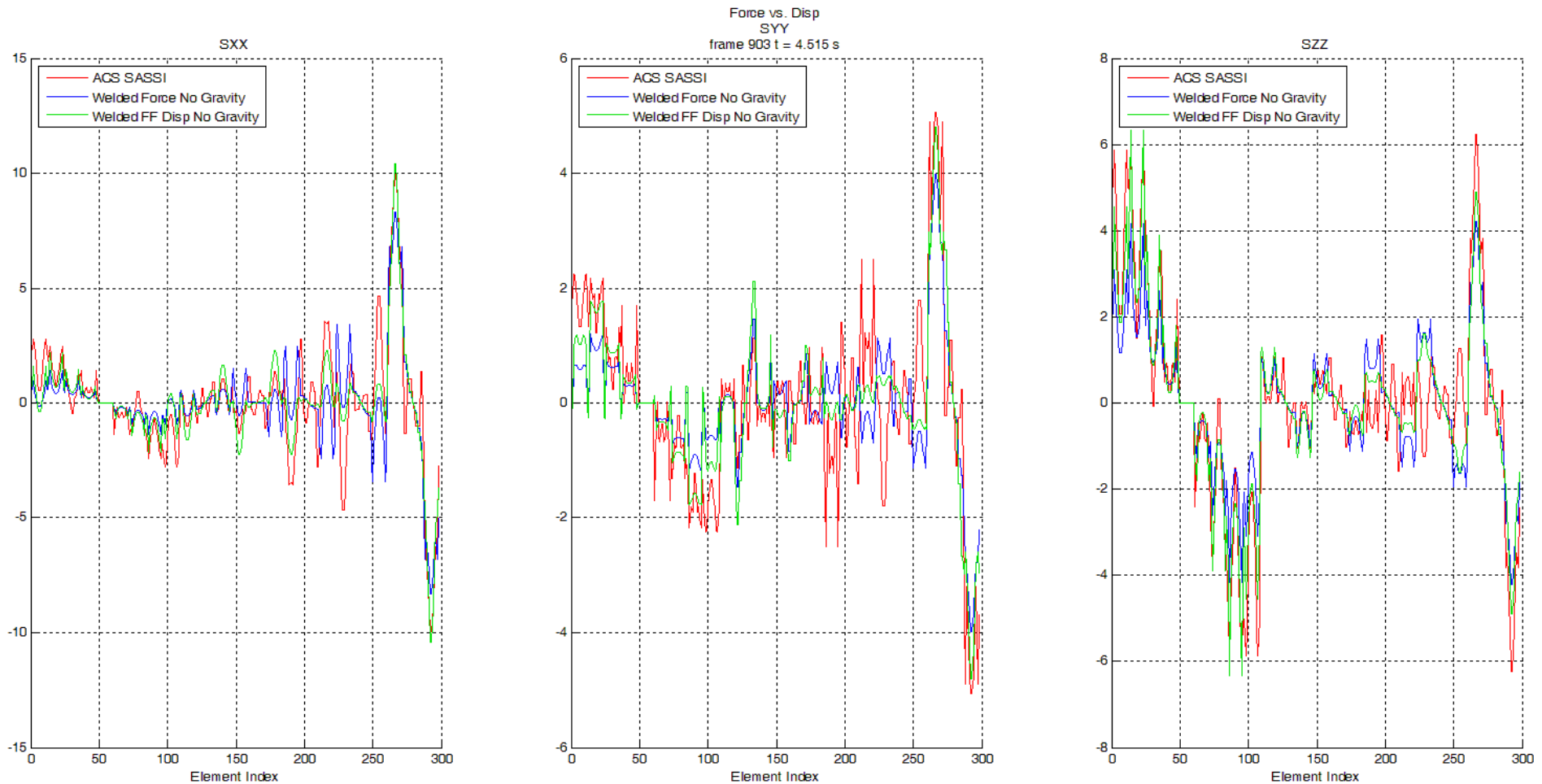
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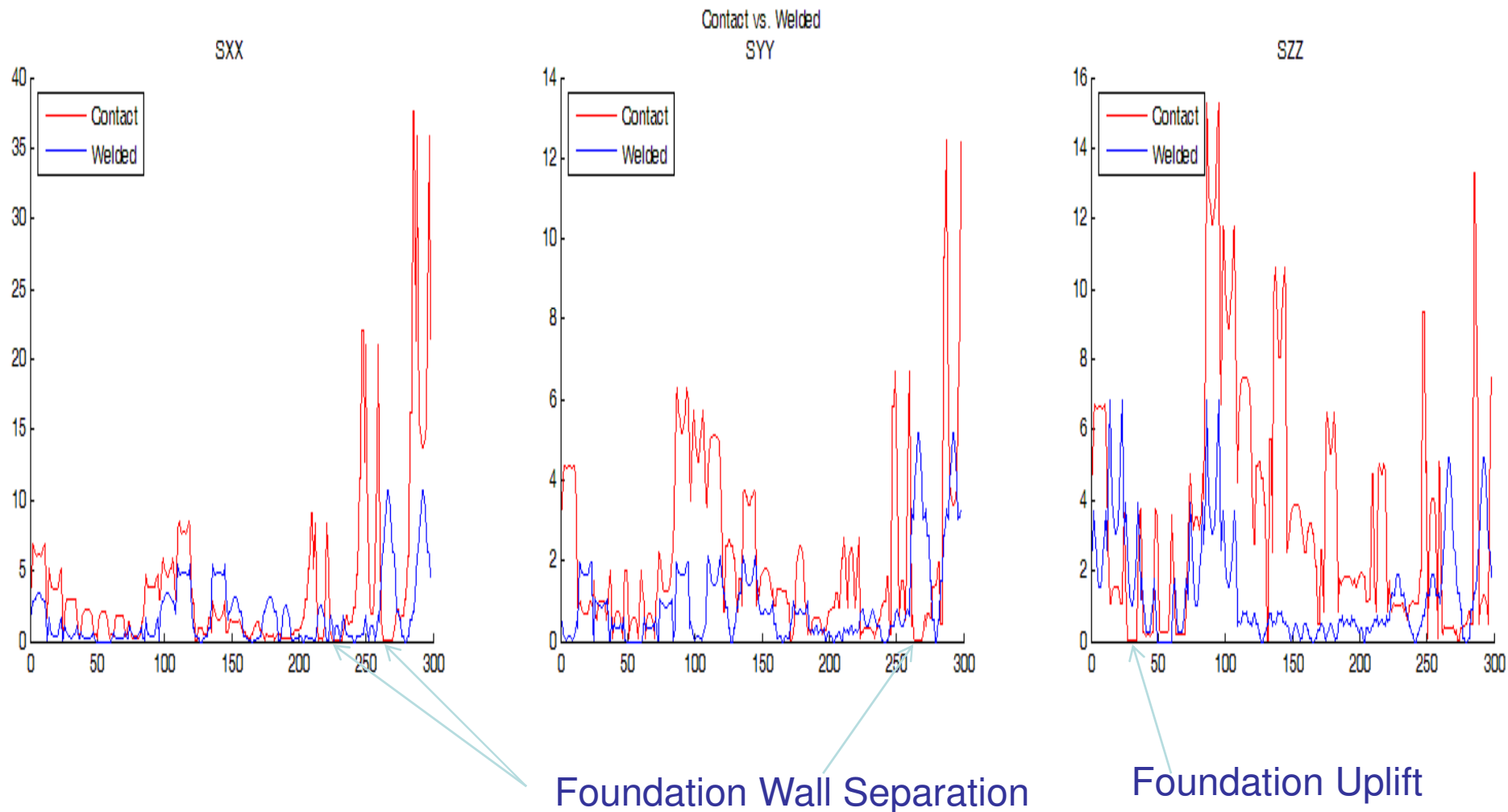
ACS SASSI vs. ANSYS Equiv. Static Displacements with Free-Field and Seismic Forces
Element Center Stresses SXX, SYX, SZZ



Effects of SSI Soil Separation for X-Input (Frame 903)

ANSYS Equivalent-Static Seismic Force Loading Option

Absolute Values of Element Center Stresses SXX, SYX, SZZ



EPRI AP1000 NI Model Studies on Seismic SSSI Effects For Hypothetical Site Condition That Includes 40 ft Backfill Soil Over A Hard Rock Formation

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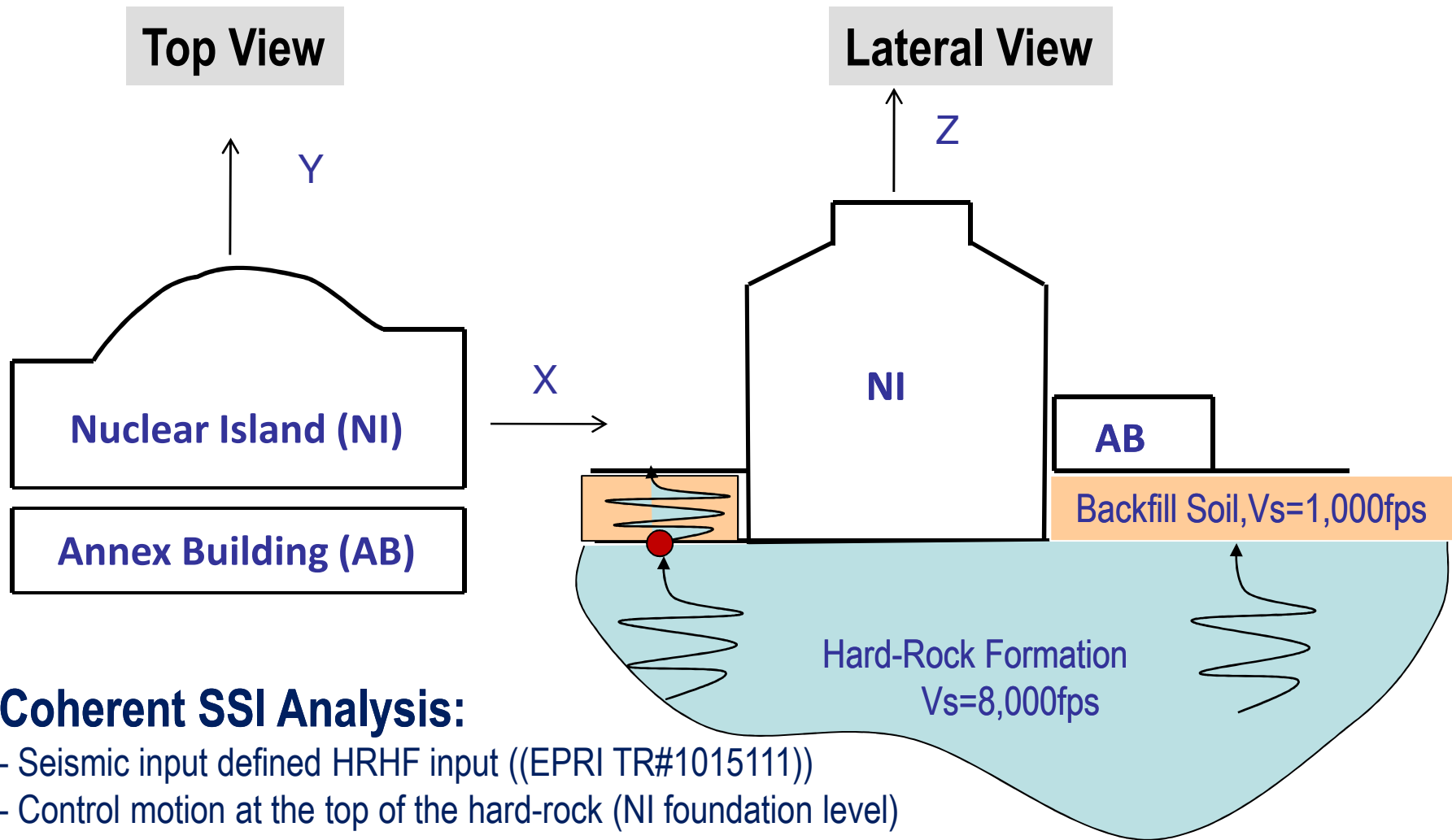
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AP1000 NI Complex and Annex Bldg Configurations



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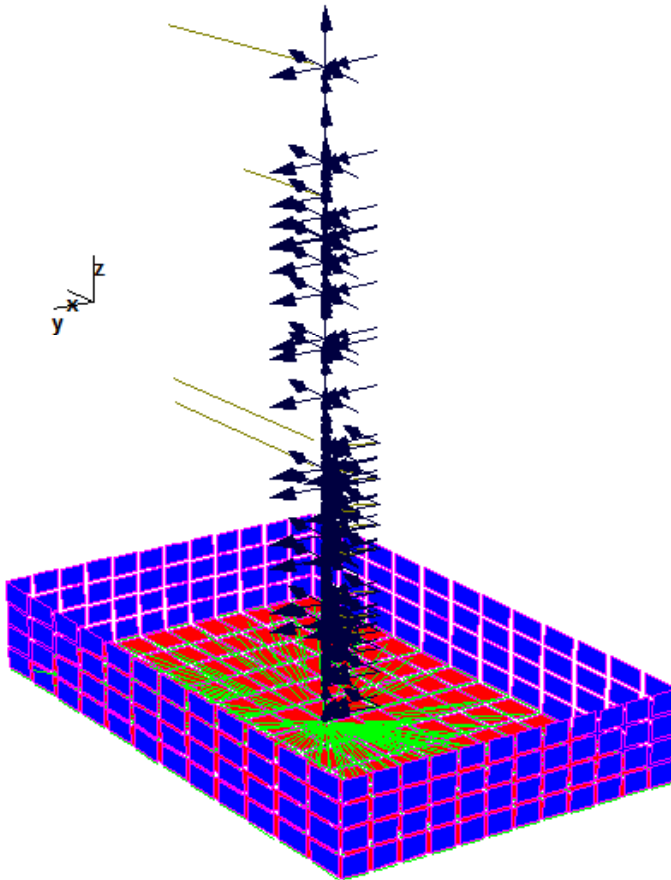
- Seismic input defined HRHF input ((EPRI TR#1015111))
- Control motion at the top of the hard-rock (NI foundation level)

Incoherent SSI Analysis:

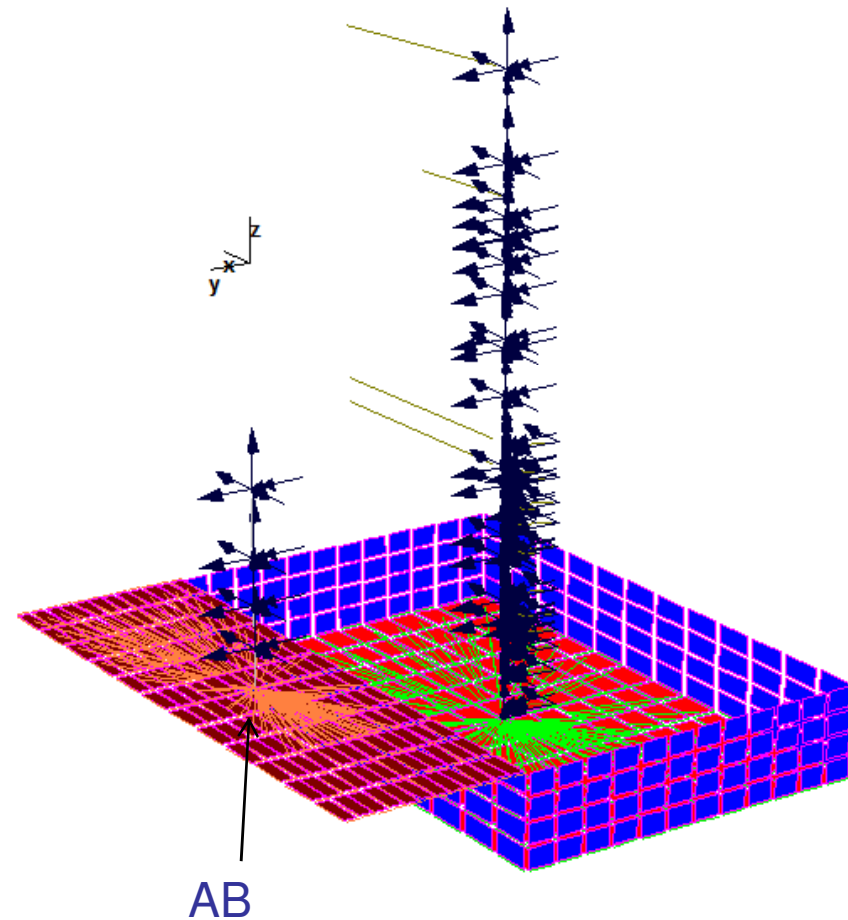
- Stochastic Simulation with 8 simulations (EPRI TR#1015111)
- 2007 Abrahamson coherency model for hard-rock sites (EPRI TR#1015110)

Isolated NI and Coupled NI-AB SSI Models

NI Model

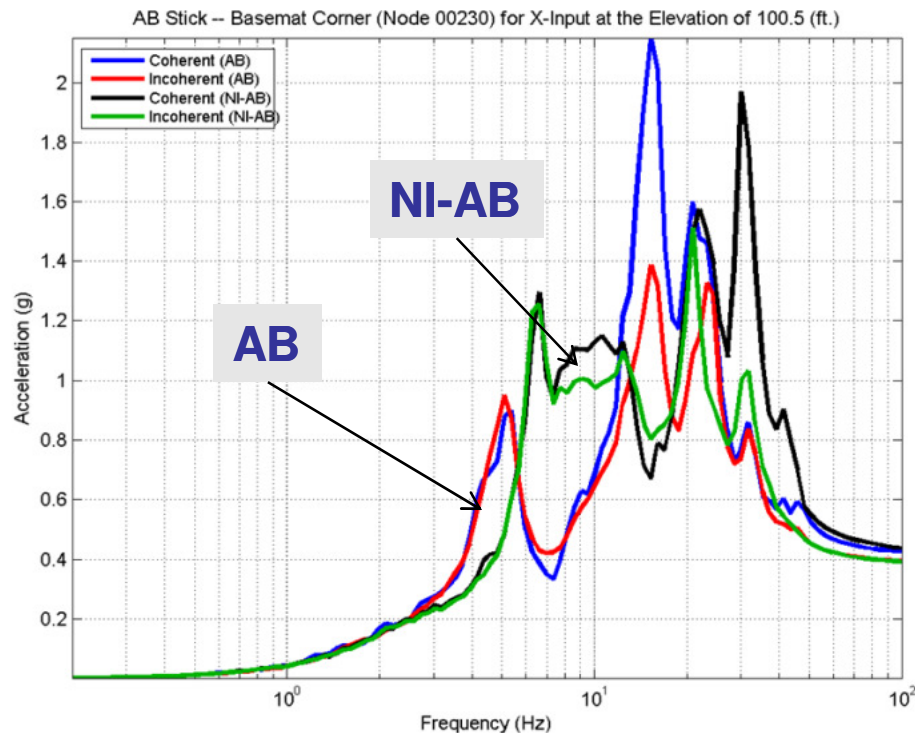


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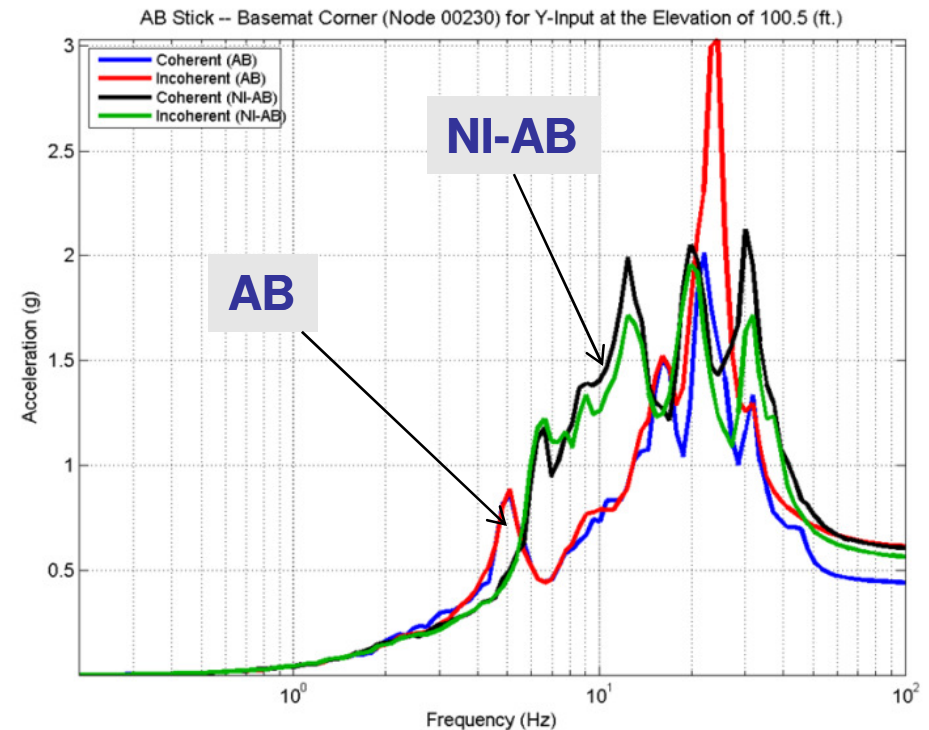


AB and Coupled NI-AB Coherent and Incoherent SSI. 5% Damp ISRS Y-Dir at AB Basemat Corner (El. 100ft)

X-Direction

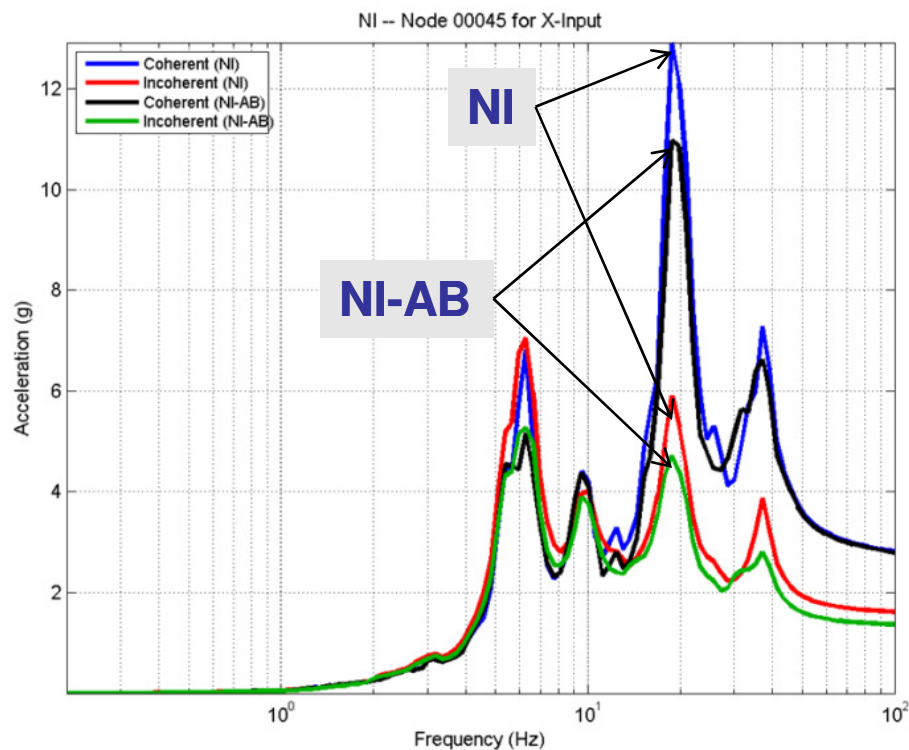


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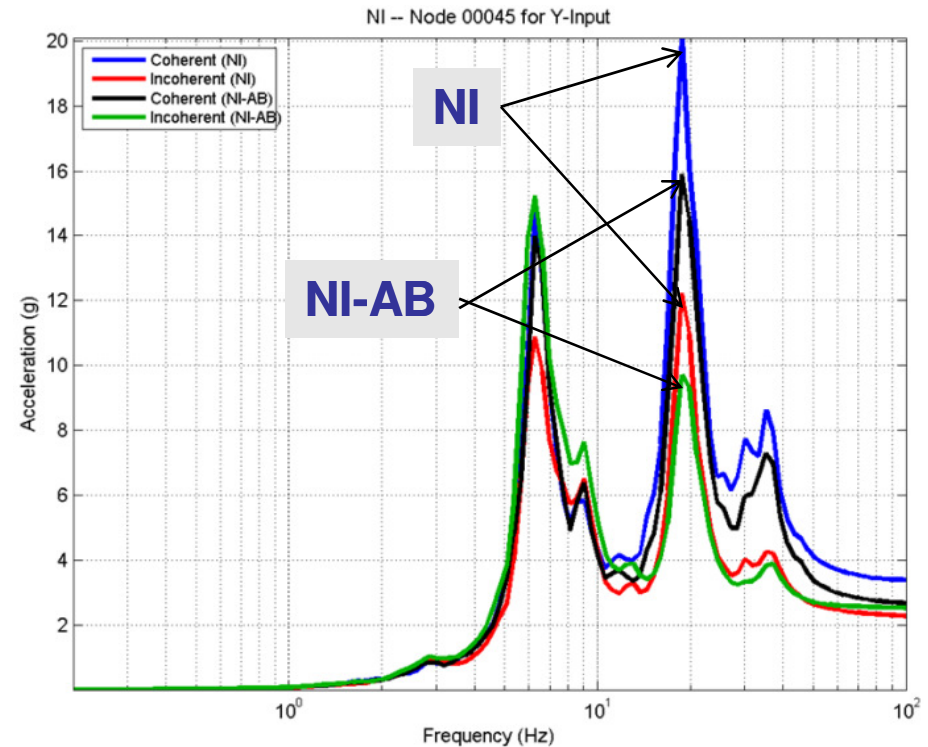


NI and Coupled NI-AB Coherent and Incoherent SSI. 5% Damp ISRS at NI Complex - Top of SCV (282 ft)

X-Direction

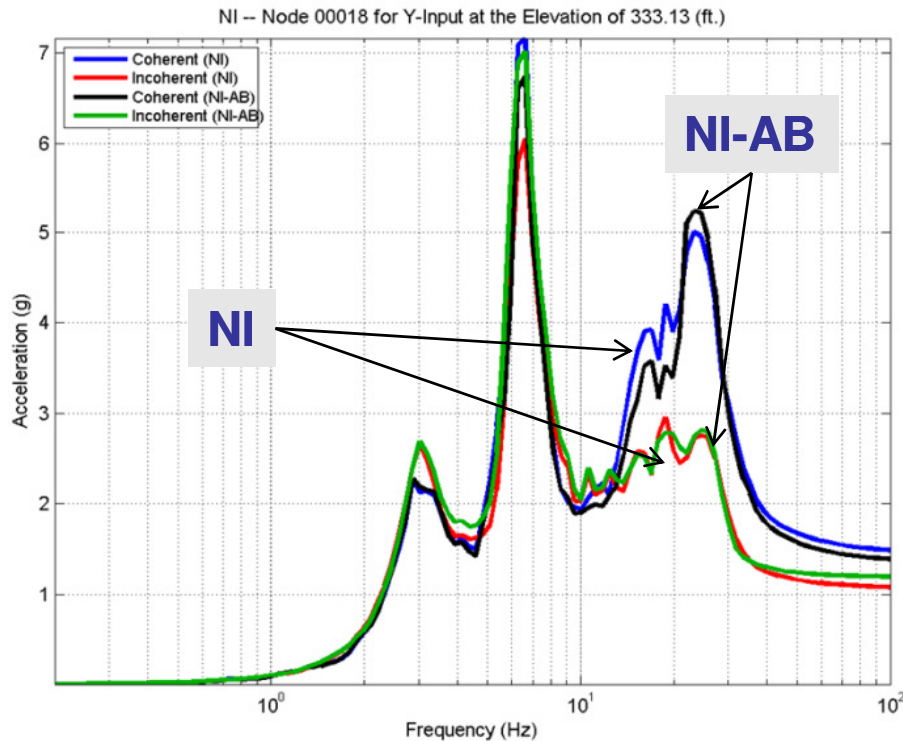


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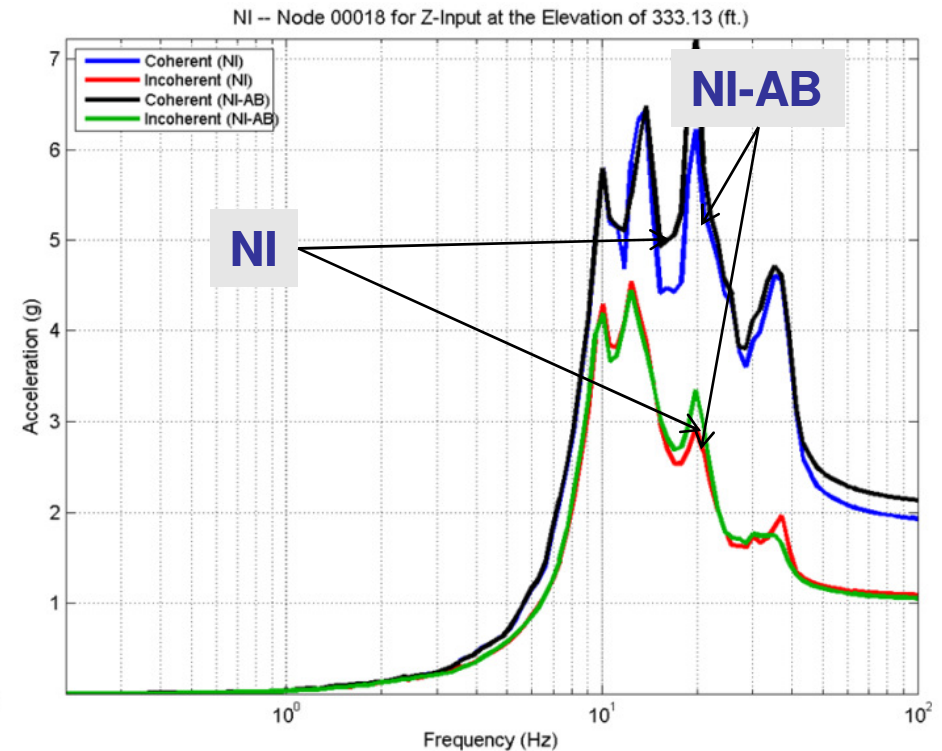


NI and Coupled NI-AB Coherent and Incoherent SSI. 5% Damp ISRS at NI Complex - Top of ASB (333 ft)

Y-Direction



Z-Direction



Conclusions on SSSI Study

For the particular case investigated herein that assumed that NI complex is founded on a bedrock and embedded in a soft backfill layer and the neighbor AB is founded on the backfill soil (with no soil improvement or lean concrete underneath), the effects of SSSI for the coupled NI-AB model indicate

- Relatively minor effects, mostly favorable, for the NI complex structures on ISRS and structural forces
- Significant effects for the AB ISRS. The SSSI effects significantly affect the the ISRS frequency content.

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Seismic SSI Incoherency Effects for CANDU Reactor Building Structure

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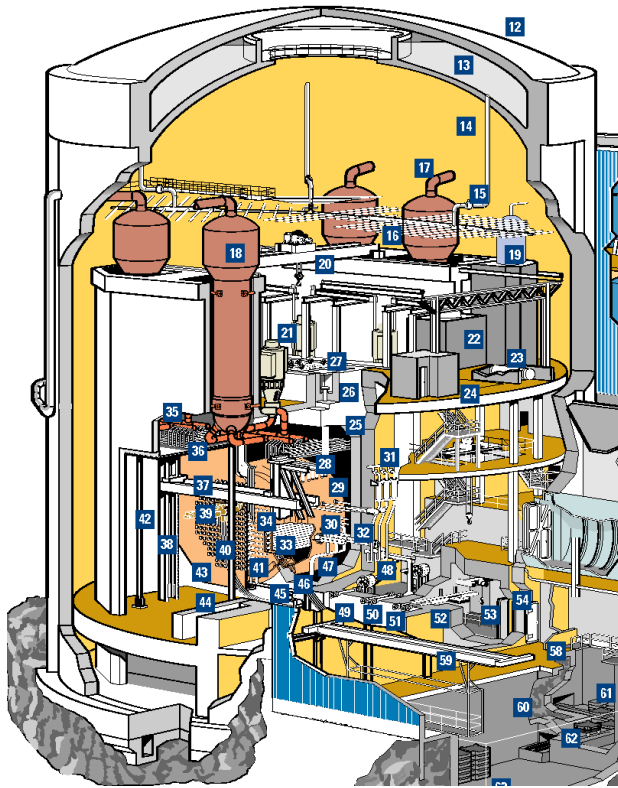
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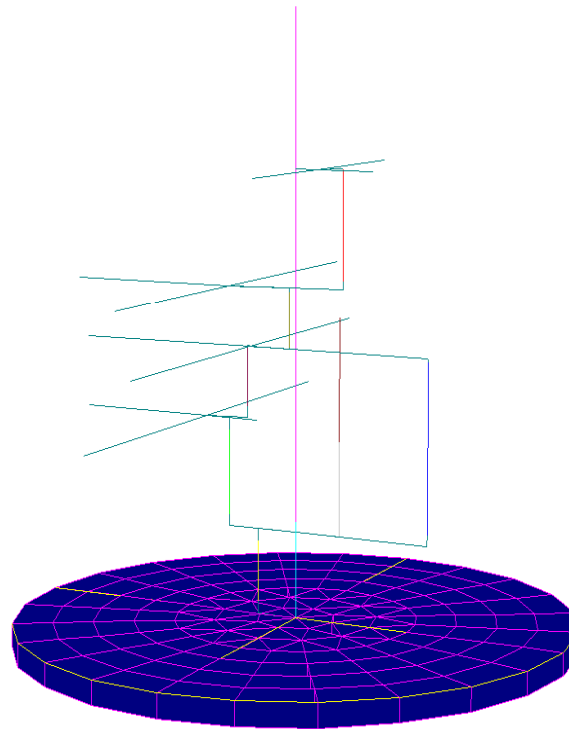
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CANDU 6 Reactor Building (RB)

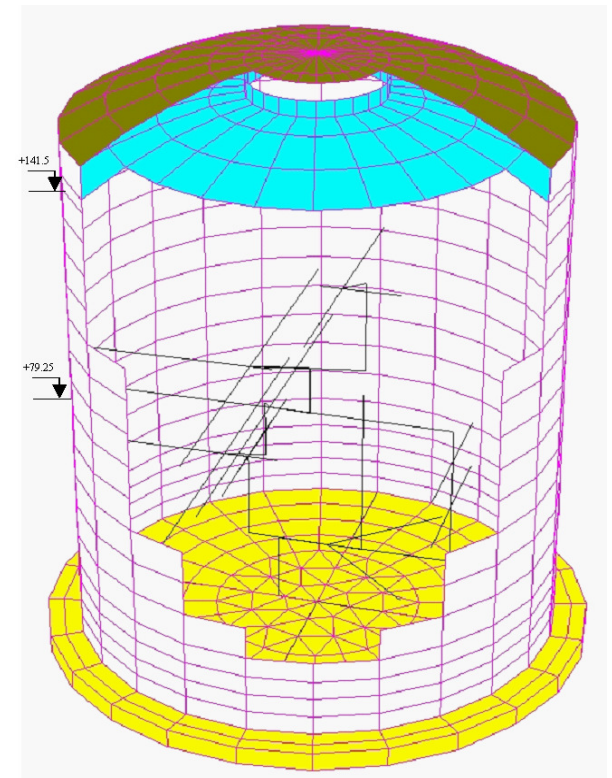
Incoherent SSI Case Studies



CANDU 6 RB Structure



SSI Stick Model



SSI Shell Model

CANDU 6 Study for Incoherent SSI Response On Two Different Soil Conditions

Rock Site:

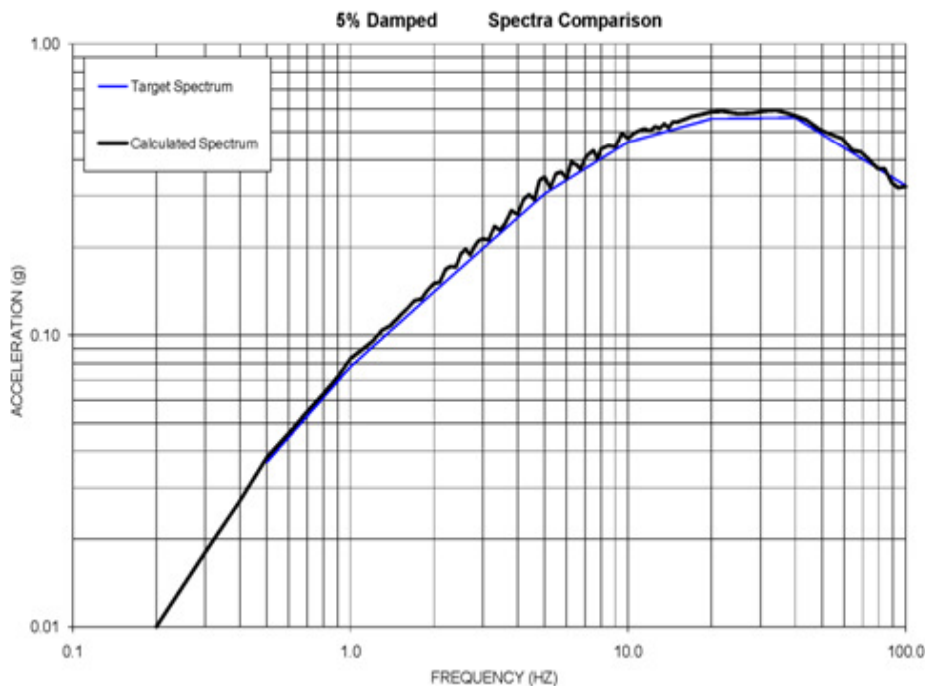
- Structure: Stick Model and Shell Model (HF Model)
- Soil Deposit: Uniform soil layering with Vs of about 5,500fps
- Control Motion: UHRS (max. in 20-40Hz range) with 0.32 ZPGA
- Incoherency: 2007 Abrahamson Coherence Function for Soil
- Wave Passage in X-Direction: $V_a = 10,000$ fps

Stiff Soil Site:

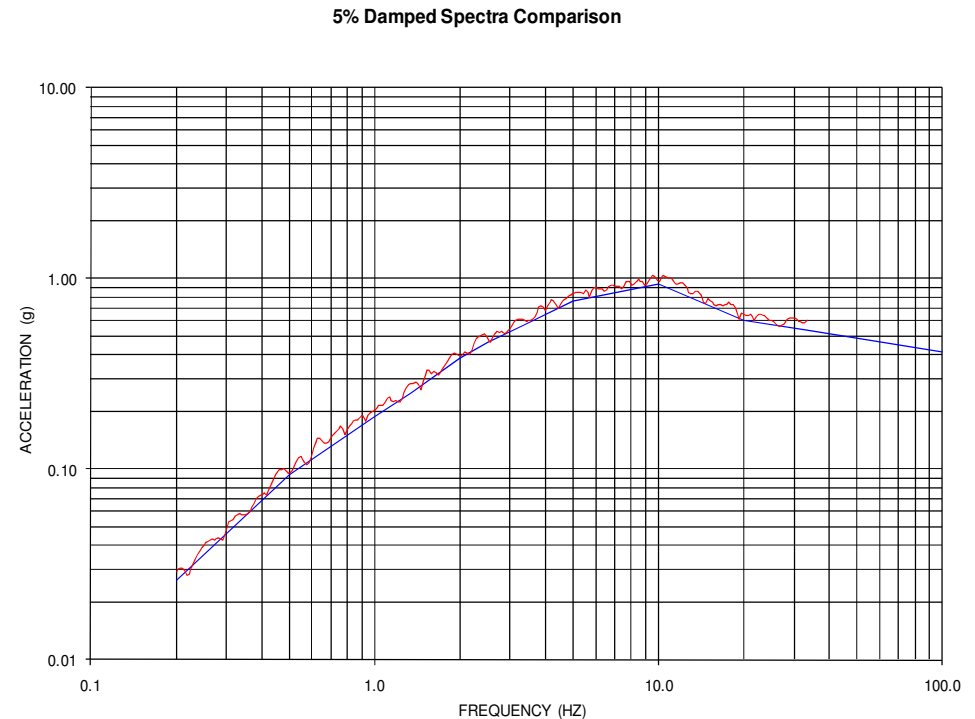
- Structure: Stick Model and Shell Model (HF Model)
- Soil Deposit: Uniform soil layering with Vs of about 3,000fps
- Control Motion: UHRS Input (spectral peak in 10 Hz) with 0.41g
- Incoherency: 2007 Abrahamson Coherence Function for Soil Sites
- Wave Passage in X-Direction: $V_a = 7,000$ fps

Seismic Site-Specific Inputs Defined by 5% Damping UHSRS

UHSRS for Rock Site (max. in 20-40 Hz range)

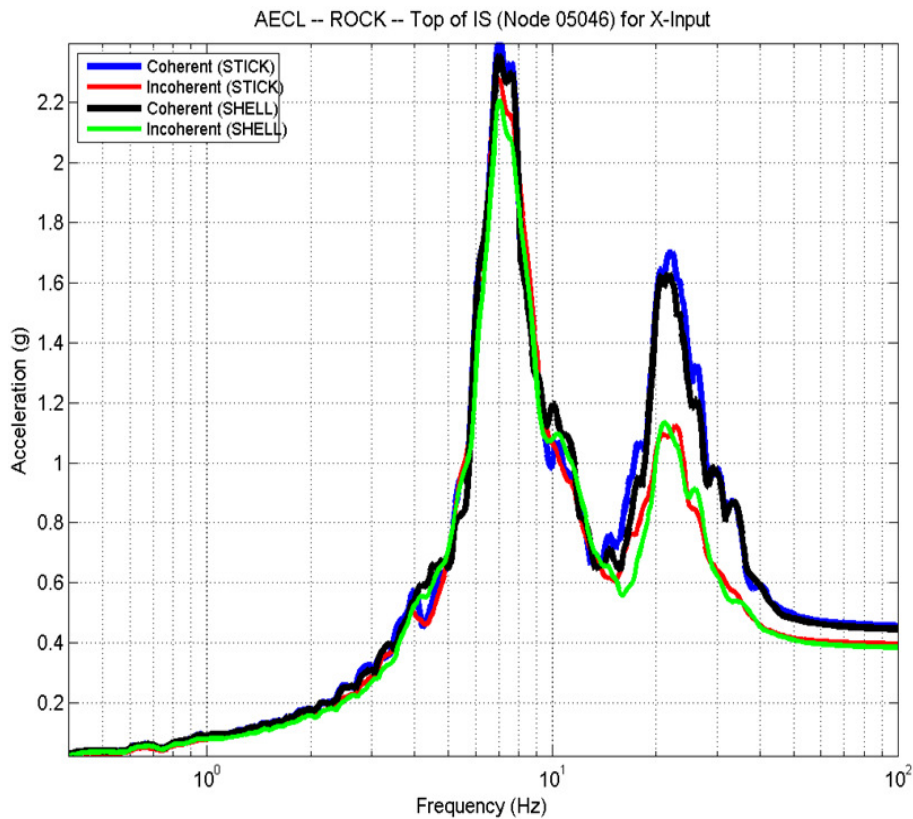


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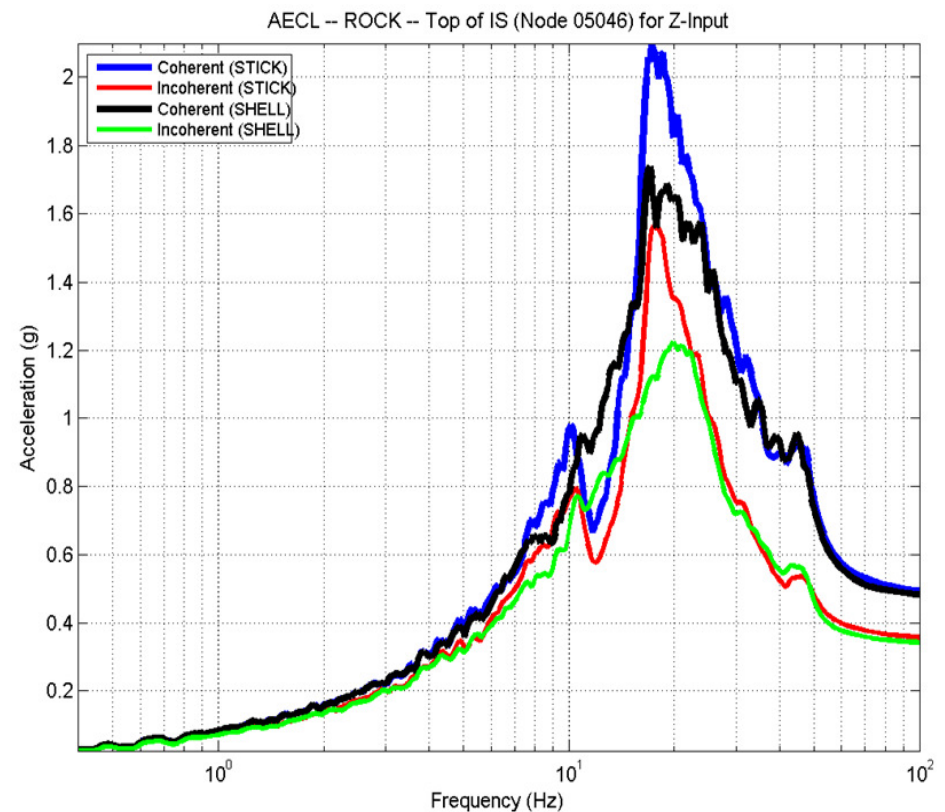


Top of Internal Structure (IS) ISRS. Rock Site

X-Direction

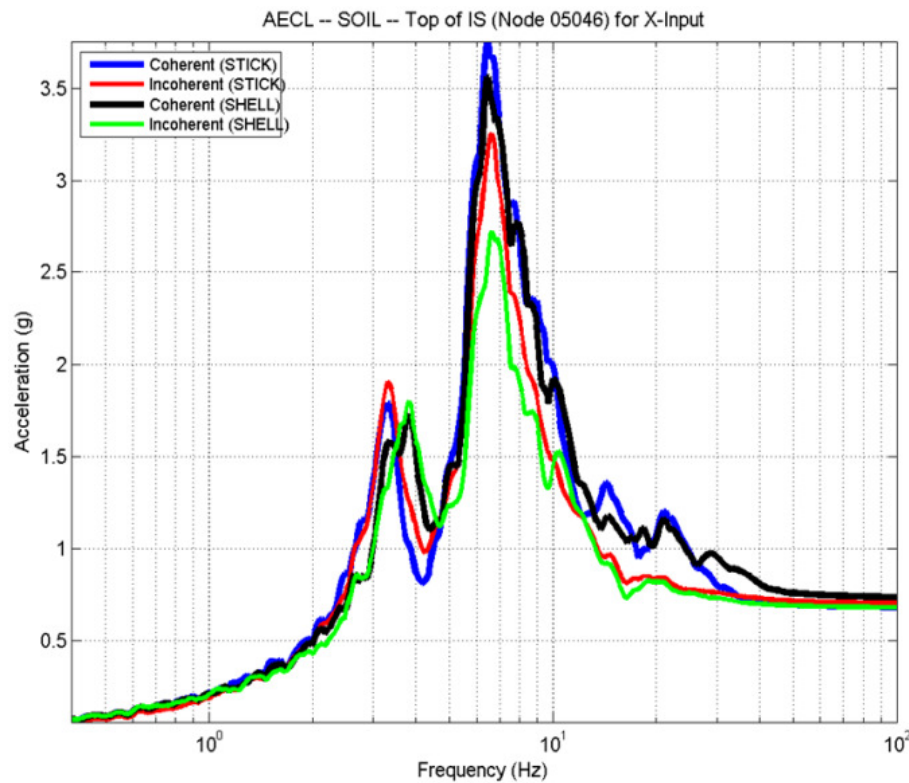


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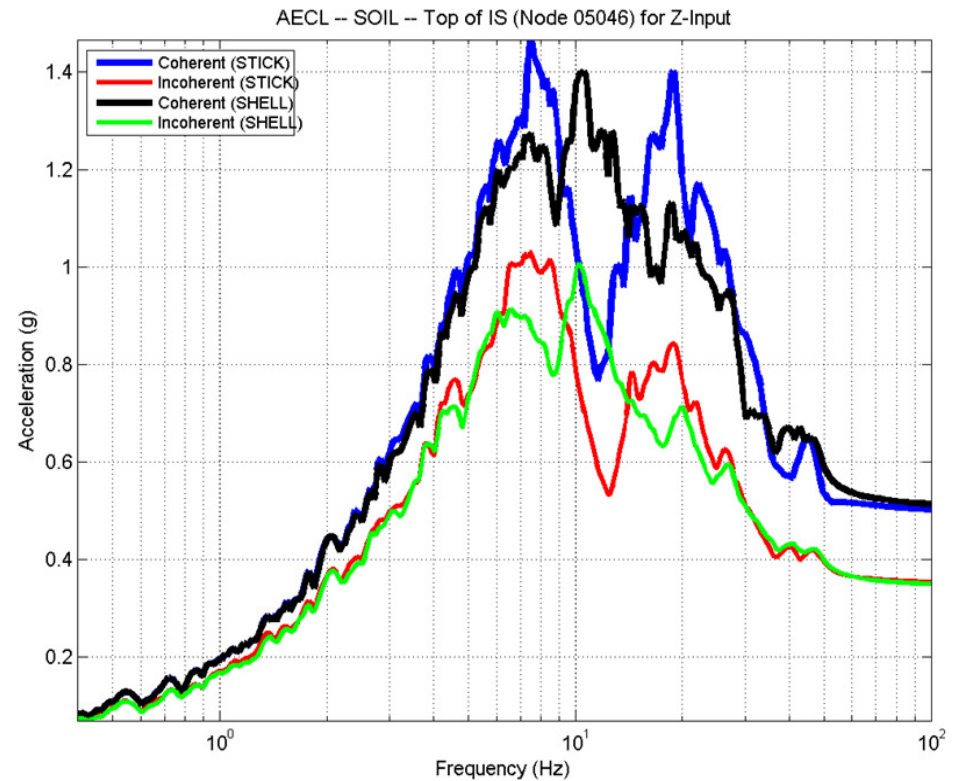


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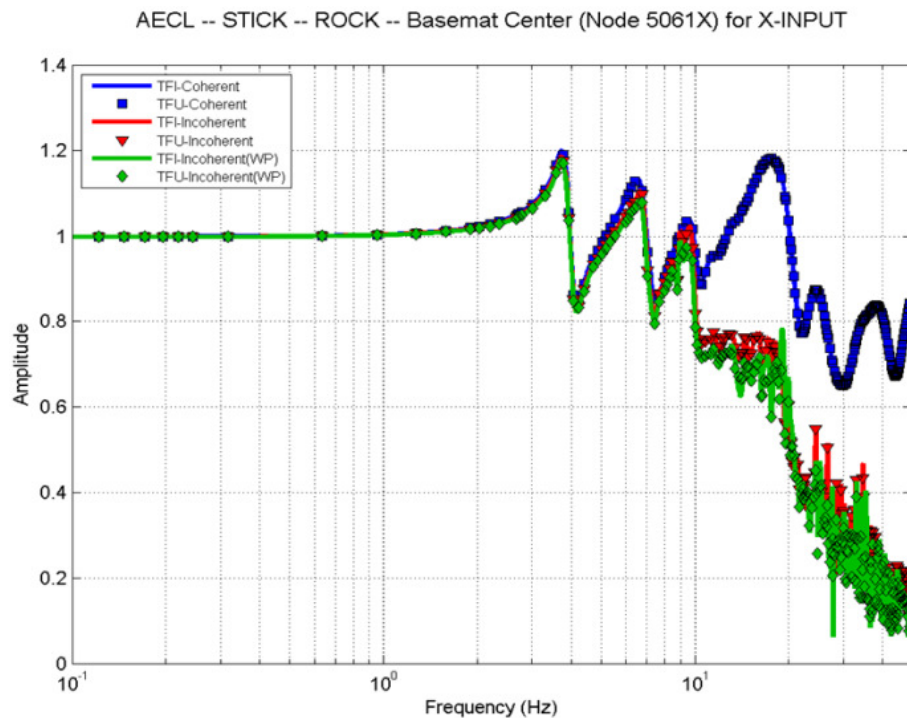


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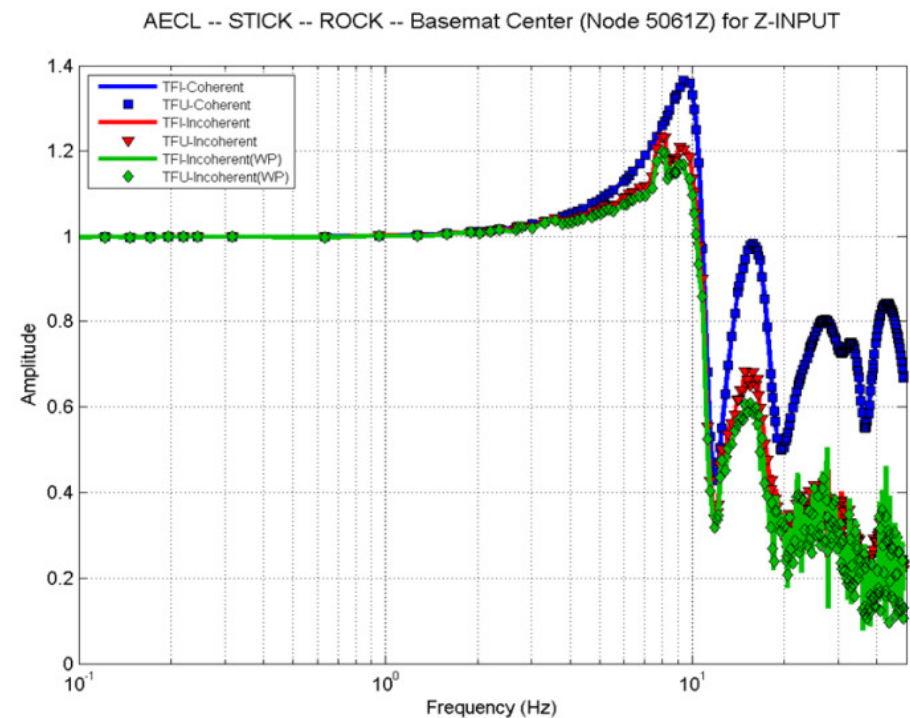


Coherent & Incoherent (Including Wave Passage) ATF at Base Center for X and Z Dir for Rock Site

X-Direction

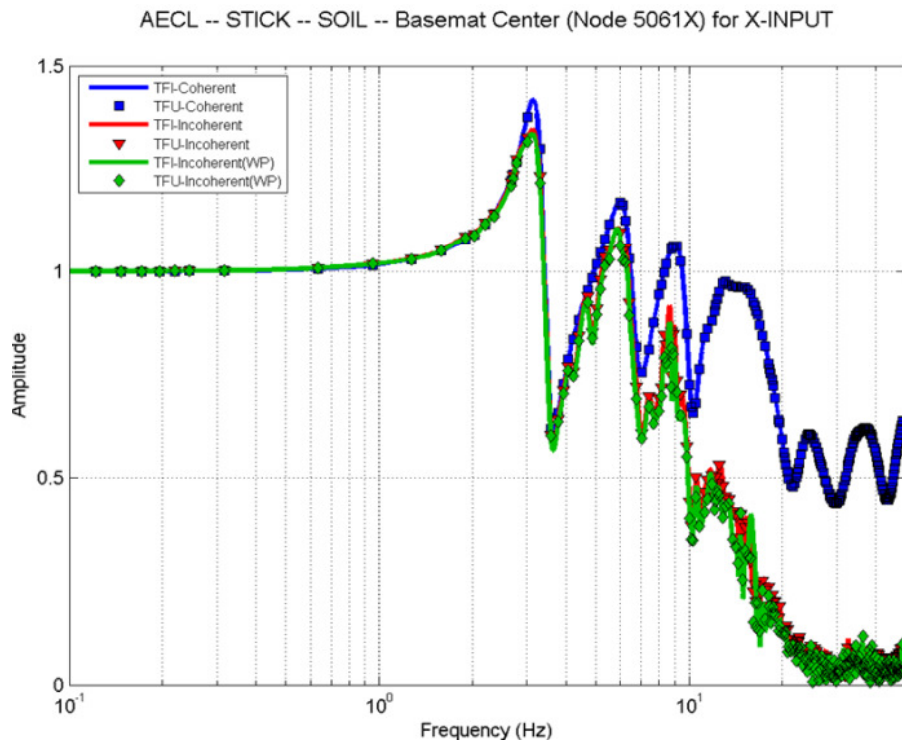


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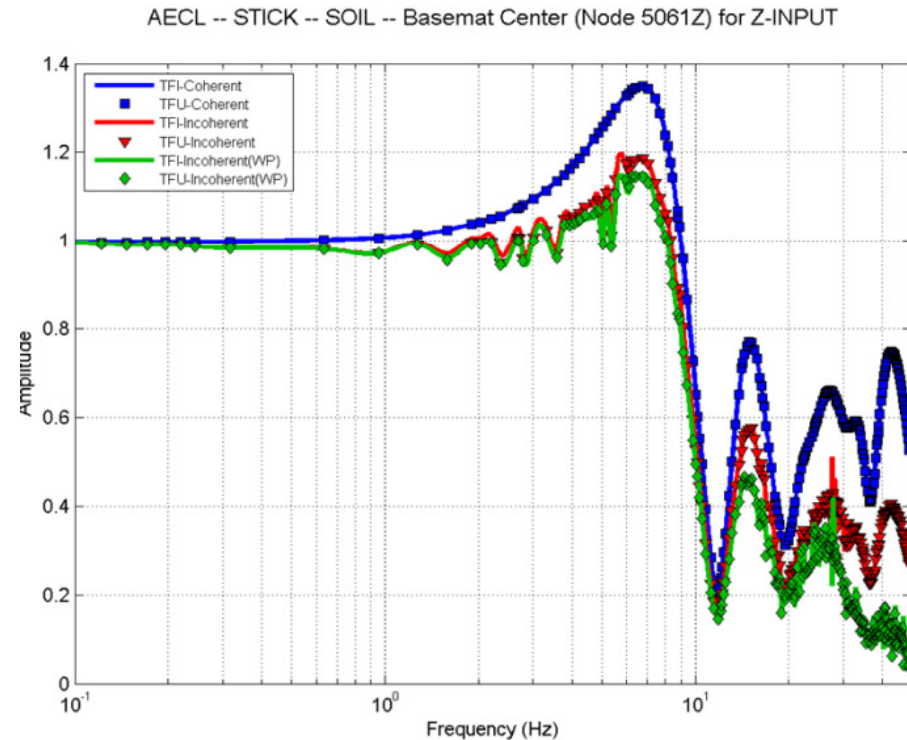


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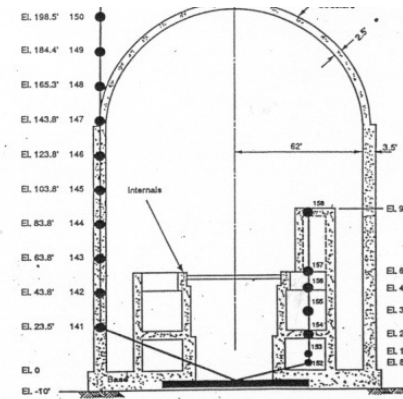
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Conclusions of RB CANDU 6 Case Studies

- 1) The incoherency effects are significant for the two case studies, the stiff soil site case and the rock site case.
- 2) The effects of wave passage appear to be insignificant for the two cases studies.
- 3) The effect of structural modeling the CS by shell elements rather than by a simple stick changes quite visibly the ISRS at the top of IS, especially in Z-direction.
- 4) The CS-IS dynamic coupling is affected by the structural modeling of the CS, although the IS stick is the same in both models.
The CS-IS dynamic coupling effects appear to be larger for the Shell model, and for incoherent motions.

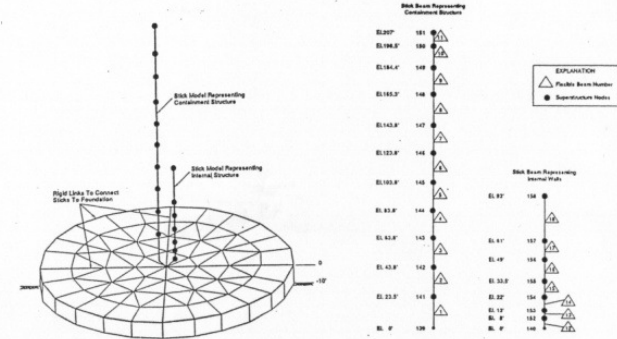
RB Complex ISRS Sensitivity Due to Baserock Location

- a) Founded on Halfspace
- b) Baserock at 40ft Depth



REACTOR BUILDING STRUCTURE

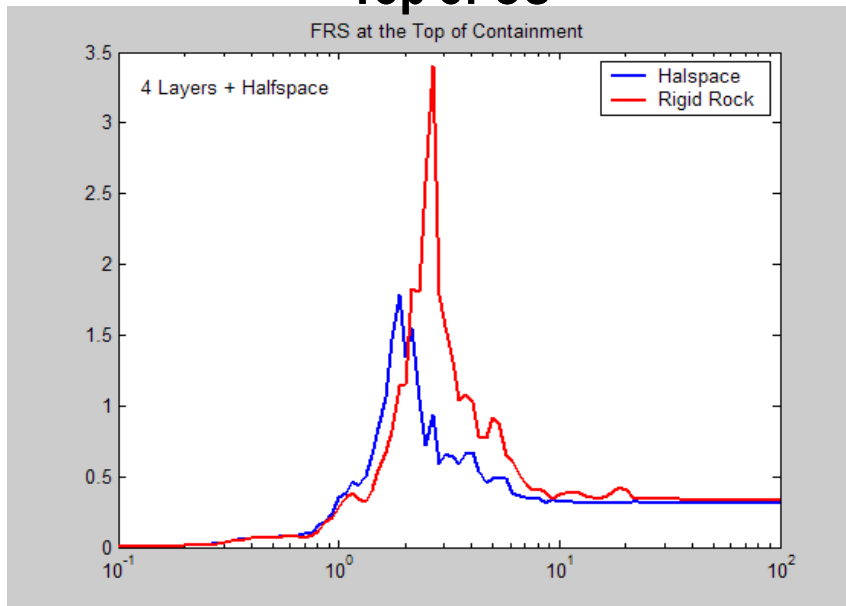
SSI Model



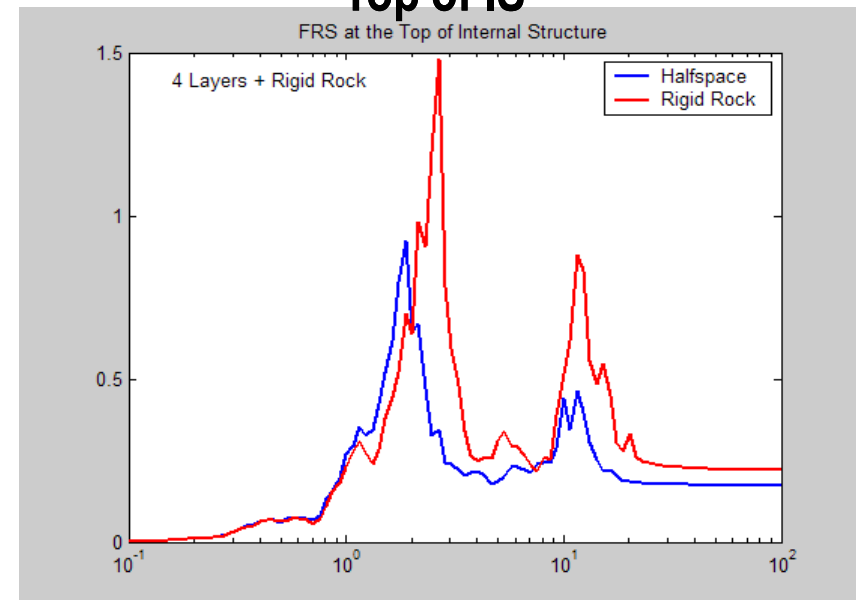
SSI MODEL FOR ACS SASSI

(Lysmer et. al, 1988)

Top of CS



Top of IS

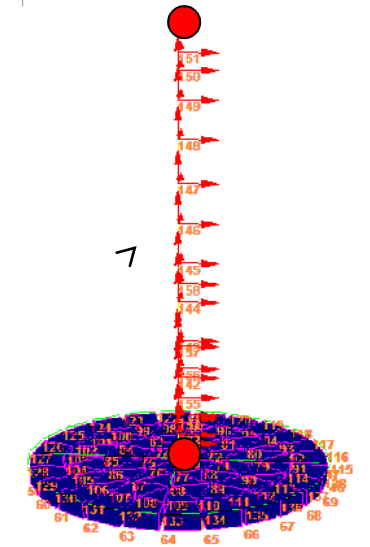
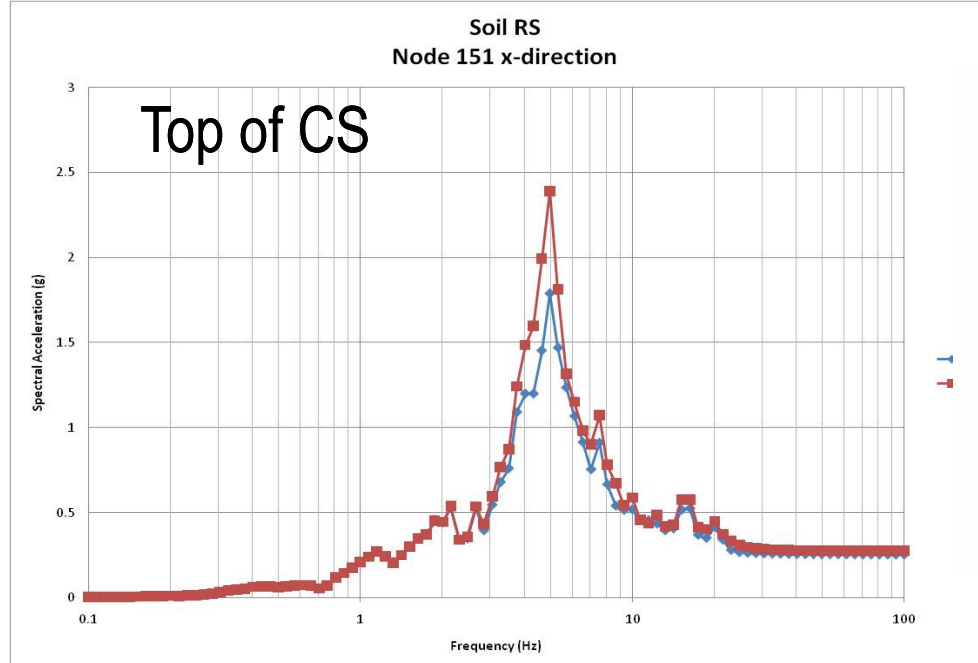
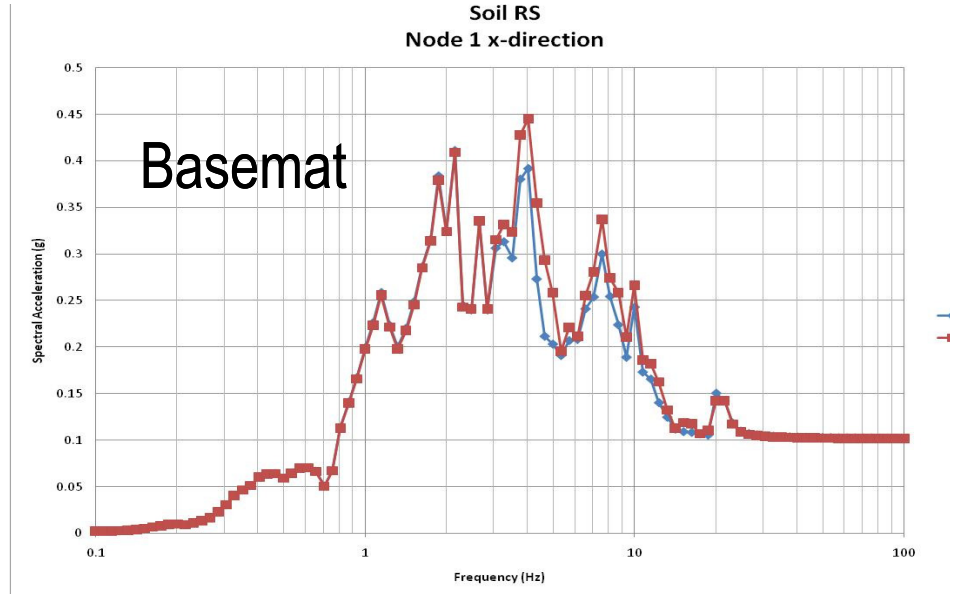


2D SSI Model vs. 3D SSI Model for RB Complex

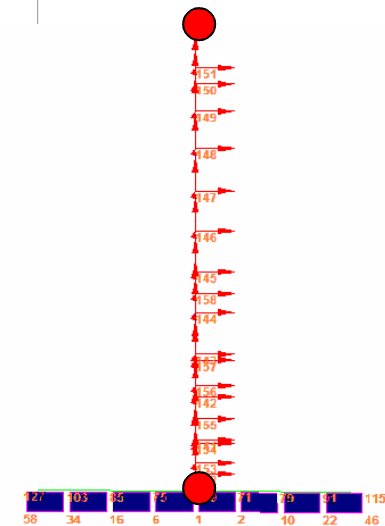
REMARKS:

2D SSI models could exaggerate radiated energy. Surface wave decay faster in 2D space.

2D SSI models need calibration against 3D SSI models



3D SSI Model



2D SSI Model

New ASCE 04 Standard Draft 2011 – Progress Version

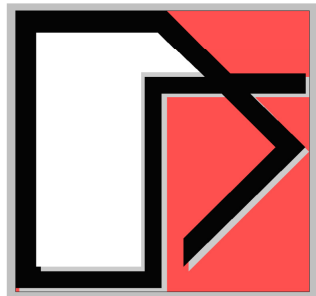
- 1) Improves the seismic input definition for FIRS
- 2) Recognize the significance of seismic input phasing – 5 input histories
- 3) Improves selection of deterministic soil profiles, LB, BE, UB and others
- 4) Recognizes the spatial correlations between soil layers
- 5) Provides many details for incoherent SSI analysis
- 6) Recognizes the basemat flexibility effects for incoherent inputs
- 7) Introduces probabilistic SSI methodologies
- 8) Limits incoherency effects for rock sites
- 9) It might include a recommendation for considering incoherency effects for SSSI evaluations.
- 10) Does not provide guidelines yet on the incoherent SSSI effects on ISRS, structural forces and relative displacements
- 11) No recommendation yet for incoherency effects on deeply embedded structures, including effects on seismic soil pressures on flexible walls

ACS SASSI Application to Linear and Nonlinear Seismic SSI Analysis of Nuclear Structures Subjected to Coherent and Incoherent Inputs

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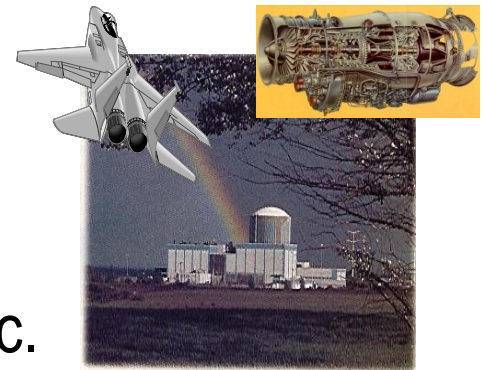
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ACS SASSI-ANSYS Interface for Seismic Soil-Structure Interaction Analysis of Nuclear/Critical Facility Structures

ACS SASSI-ANSYS Interface provides new SSI analysis capabilities through ANSYS:

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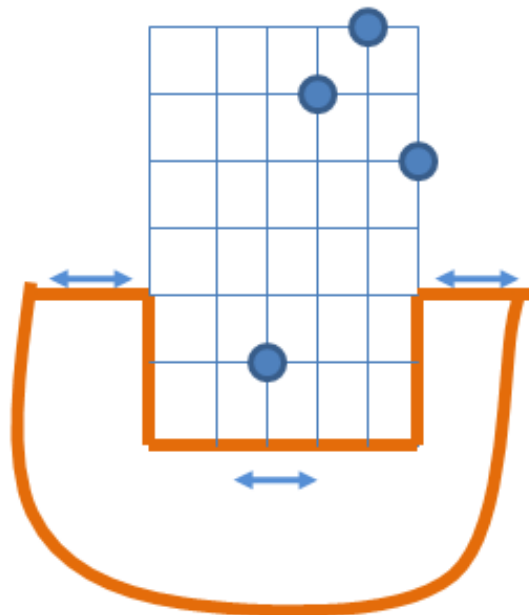
- *ANSYS Equivalent-Static Seismic SSI Analysis* Using Refined Mesh FE Models
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For soil pressure computation:

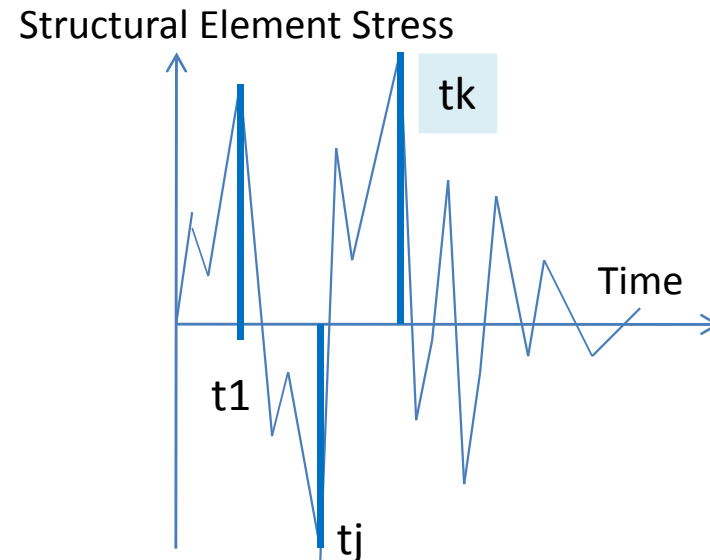
- *ANSYS Equivalent-Static Seismic Soil Pressure Computation* Including Soil-Foundation Separation Effects

ACS SASSI Seismic SSI Analysis

Computing
Structural
Stress/Forces



Selected Critical Time Steps for Maximum Stresses
To be Used for Equivalent Static Structural Analysis

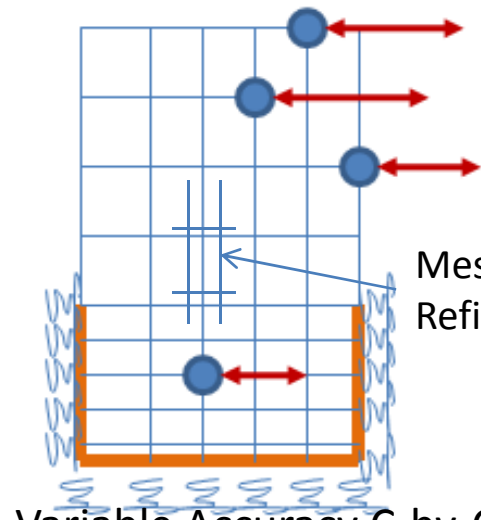


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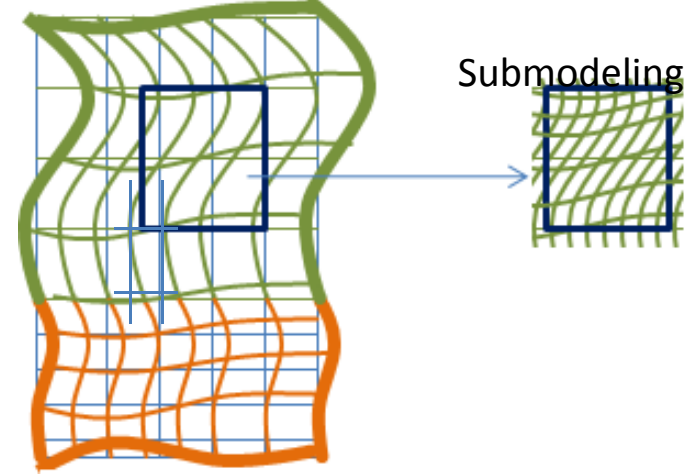
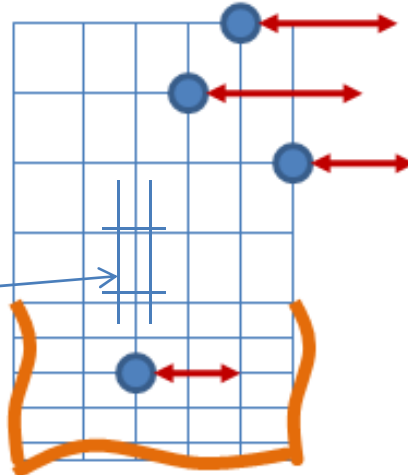
EQS Forces + BC Springs

EQS Forces + BC Displacements

EQS Relative Displacements



Mesh
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Submodeling

Variable Accuracy C-by-C

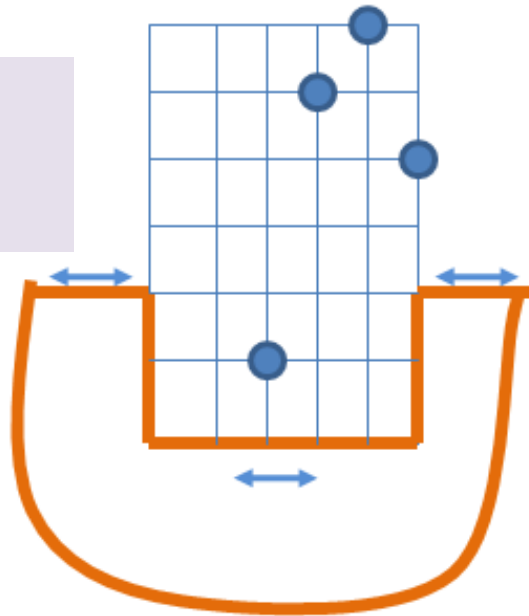
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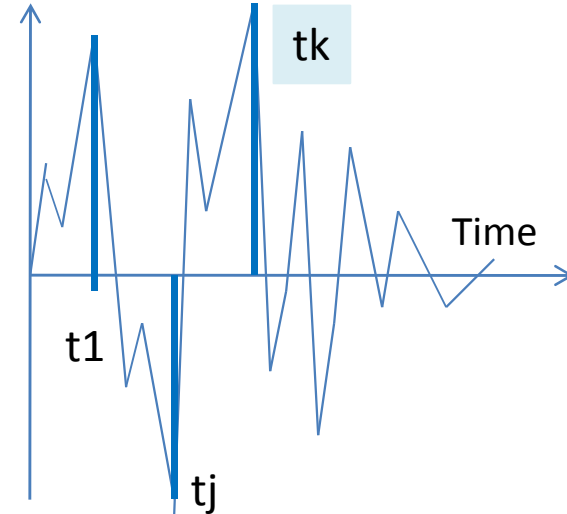
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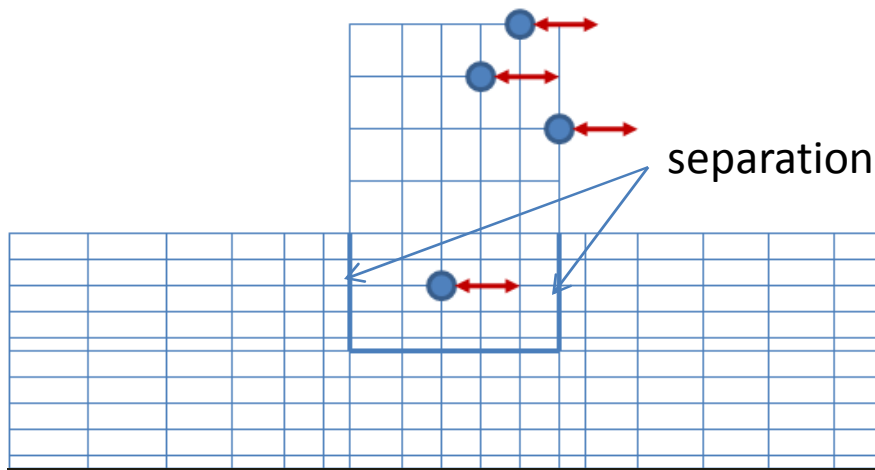
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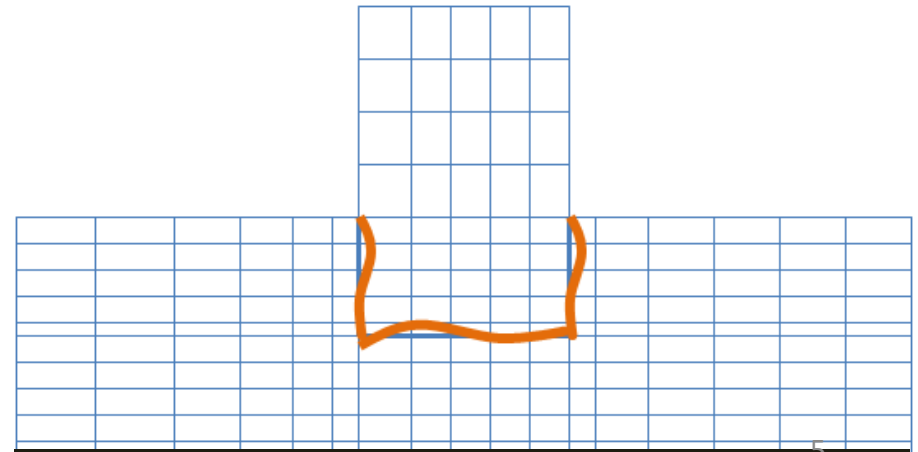


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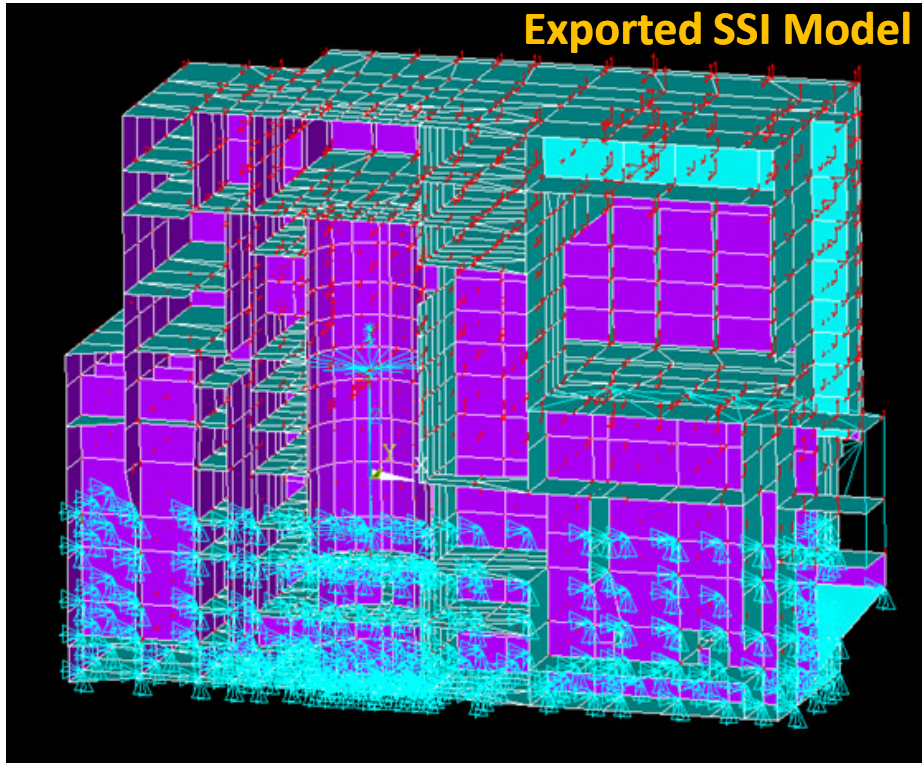
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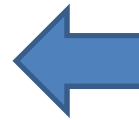
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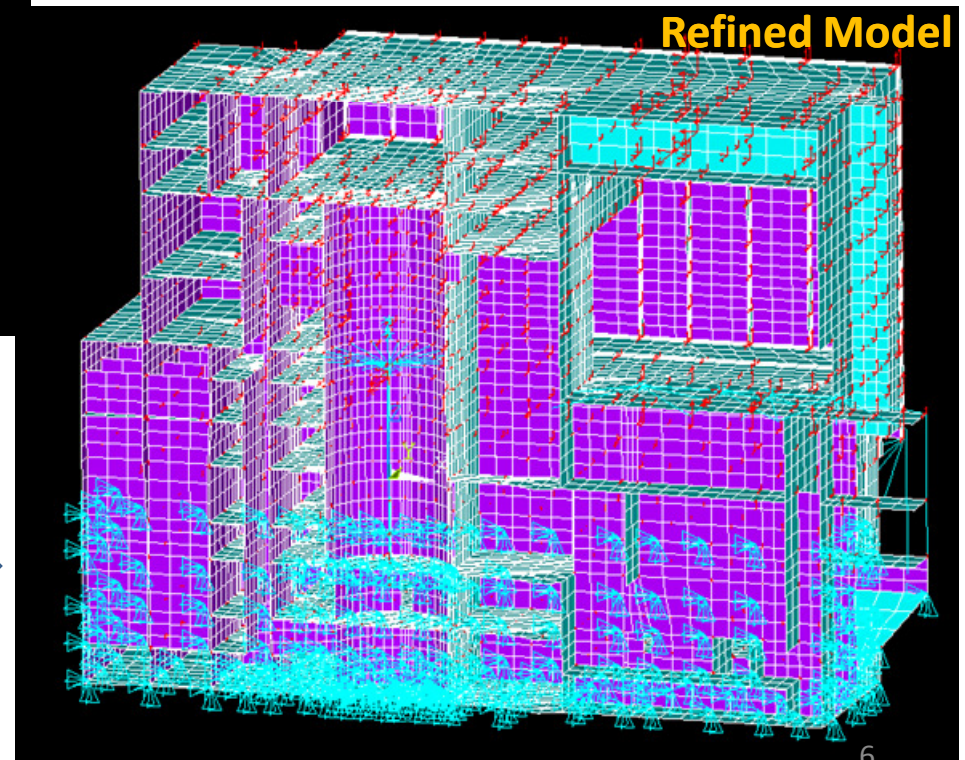
ACS SASSI – ANSYS Interface for Refined Seismic Stress Analysis



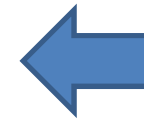
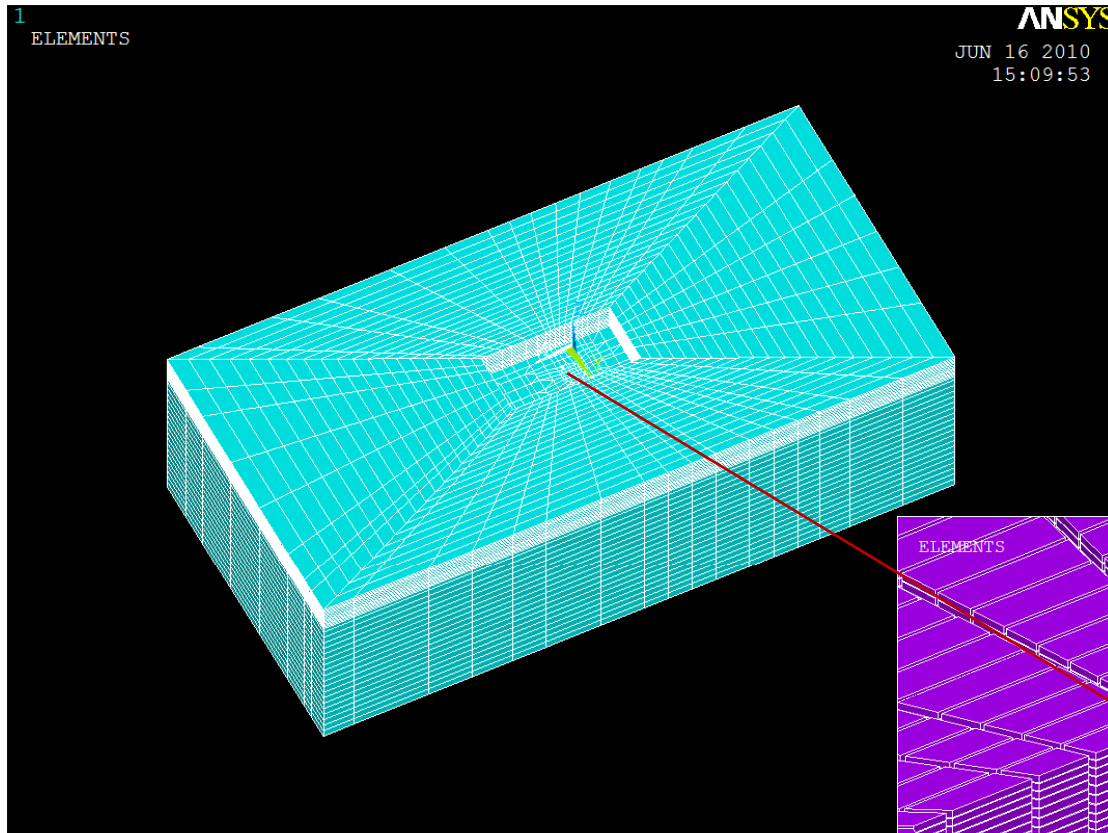
ANSYS Structural Model
Automatically Converted From
ACS SASSI Using PREP Module



ANSYS Refined Structural Model
Using EREFINE command or
ANSYS GUI (rank 1-6)

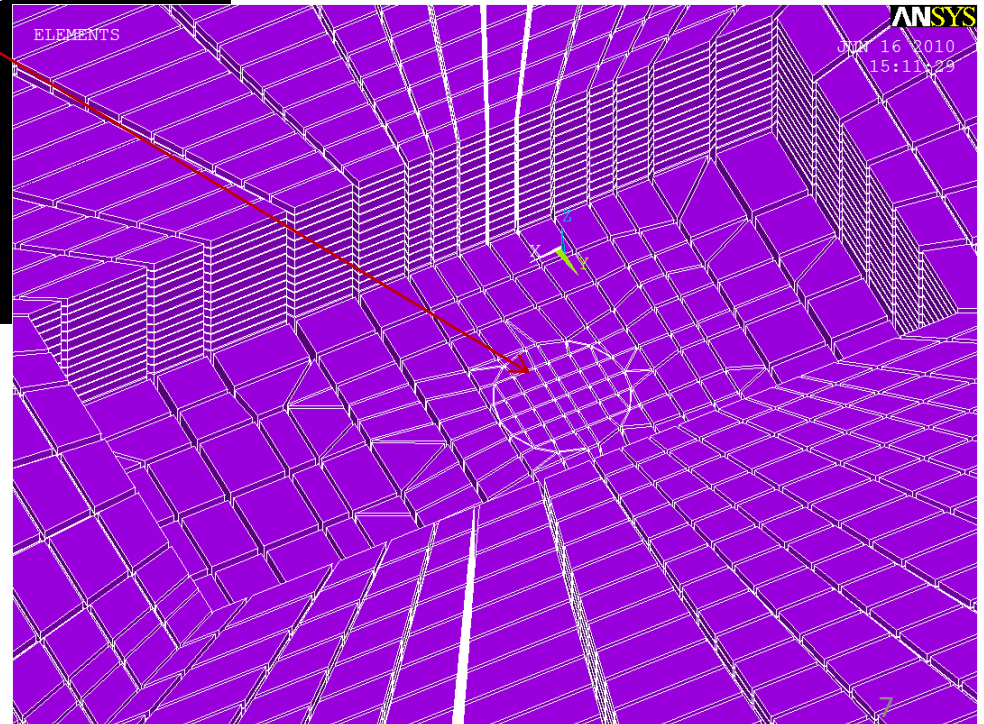


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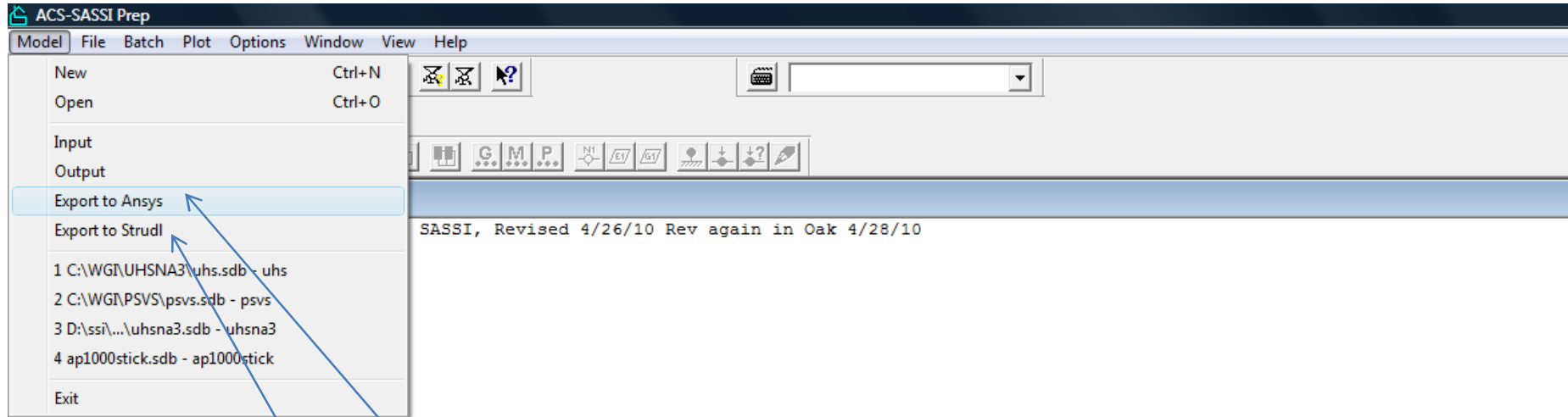


ANSYS Soil FE Model
Is Automatically Generated
by SOILMESH Module

Embedment mesh is extended.
User controls extension size and
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New Structural Model Converter from ACS SASSI to ANSYS

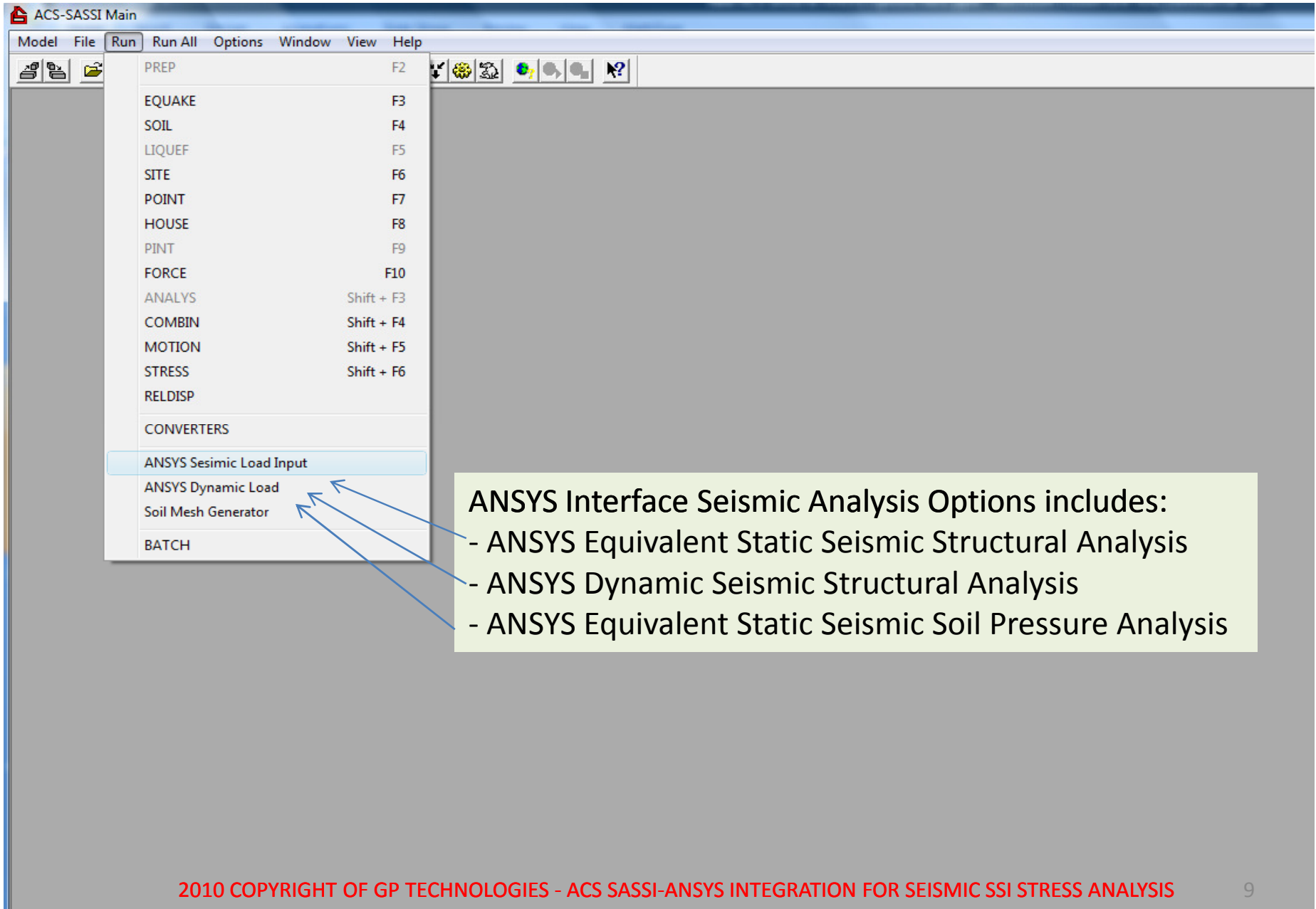


ACS SASSI model to ANSYS model converter.

- Excavation volume is deleted, floating nodes fixed
- Interaction nodes are converted to fixed nodes

In progress

ACS SASSI – ANSYS Interface for Refined Seismic Stress Analysis



ACS-SASSI Main

Model File Run Run All Options Window View Help

PREP F2

EQUAKE F3

SOIL F4

LIQUEF F5

SITE F6

POINT F7

HOUSE F8

PINT F9

FORCE F10

ANALYS Shift + F3

COMBIN Shift + F4

MOTION Shift + F5

STRESS Shift + F6

RELDISP

CONVERTERS

ANSYS Sesimic Load Input

ANSYS Dynamic Load

Soil Mesh Generator

BATCH

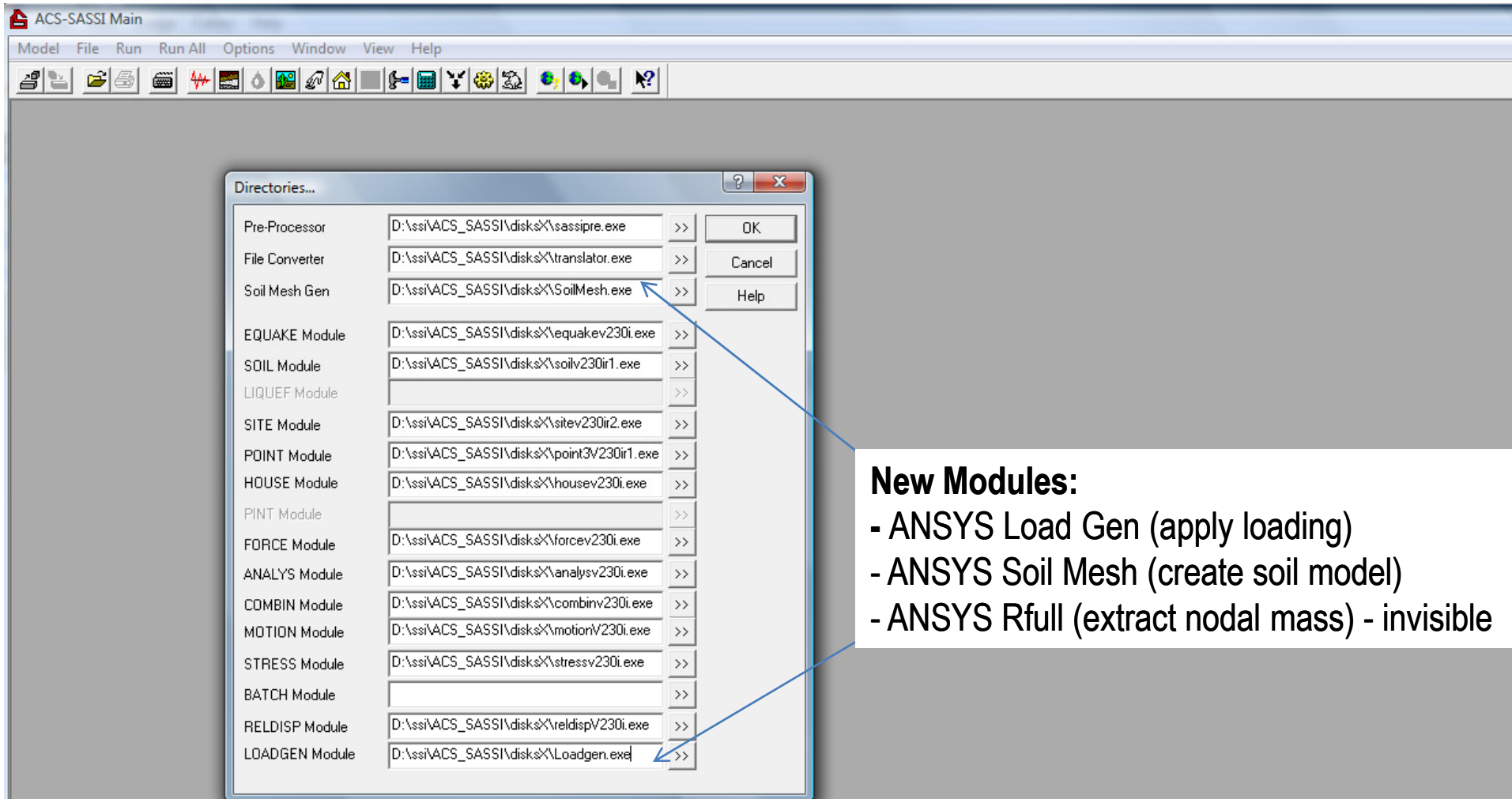
ANSYS Interface Seismic Analysis Options includes:

- ANSYS Equivalent Static Seismic Structural Analysis
- ANSYS Dynamic Seismic Structural Analysis
- ANSYS Equivalent Static Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis

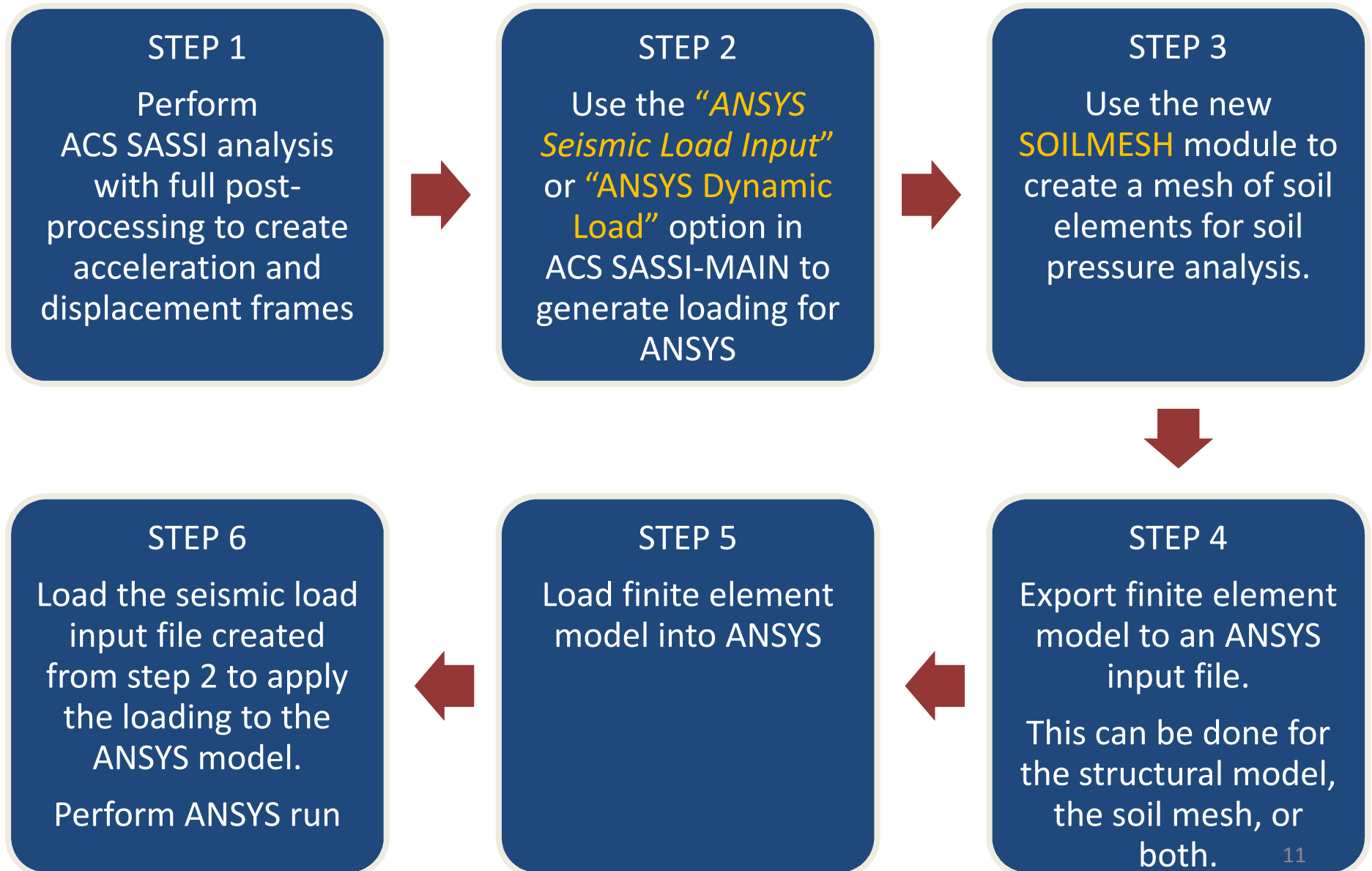
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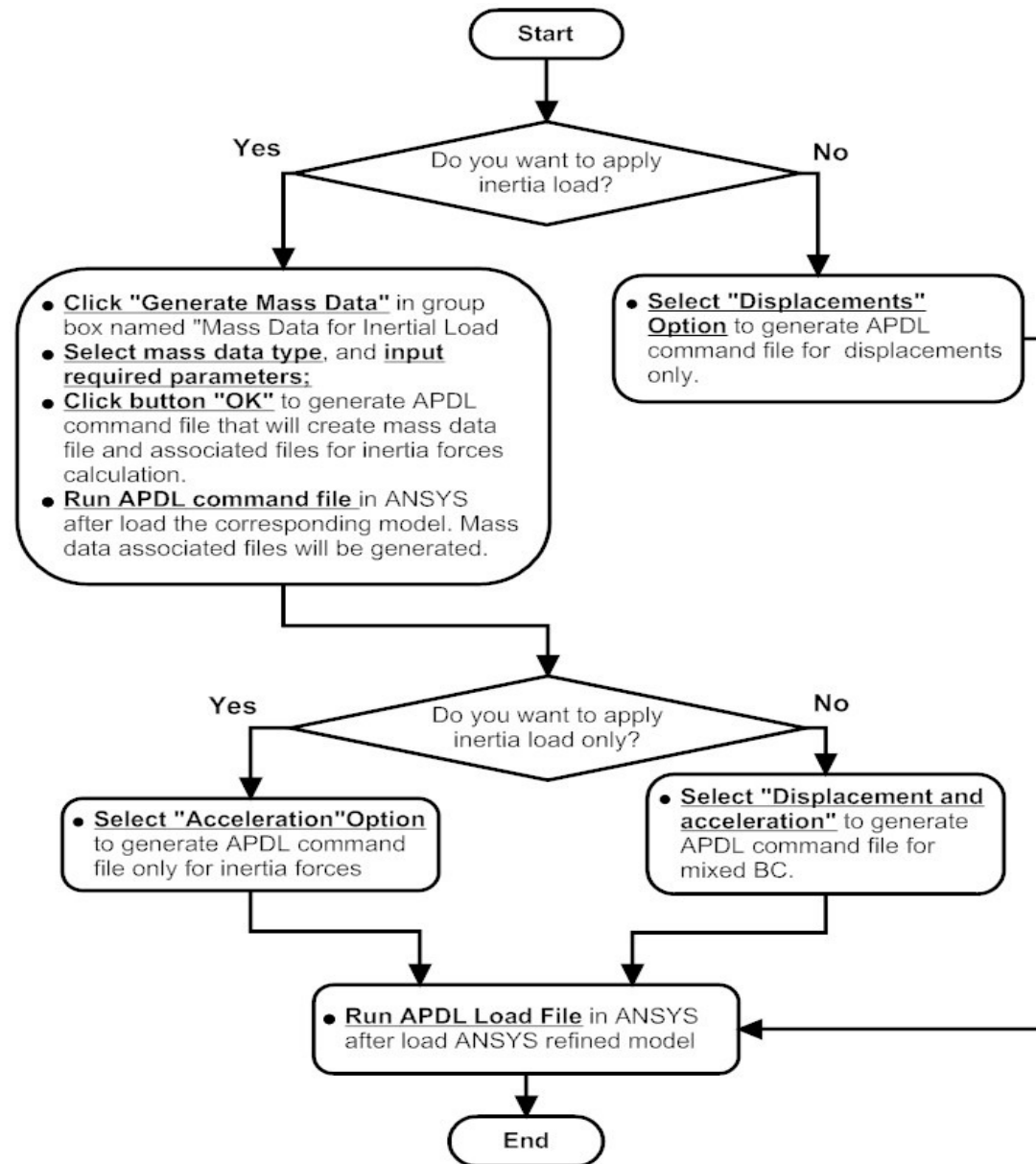
New ACS SASSI Modules for ANSYS Interface – for Structure & Soil



ACS SASSI-ANSYS Interface Structure



ANSYS Equiv. Static Load Generation from ACS SASSI Frames



Exporting Equivalent Static Loads to ANSYS

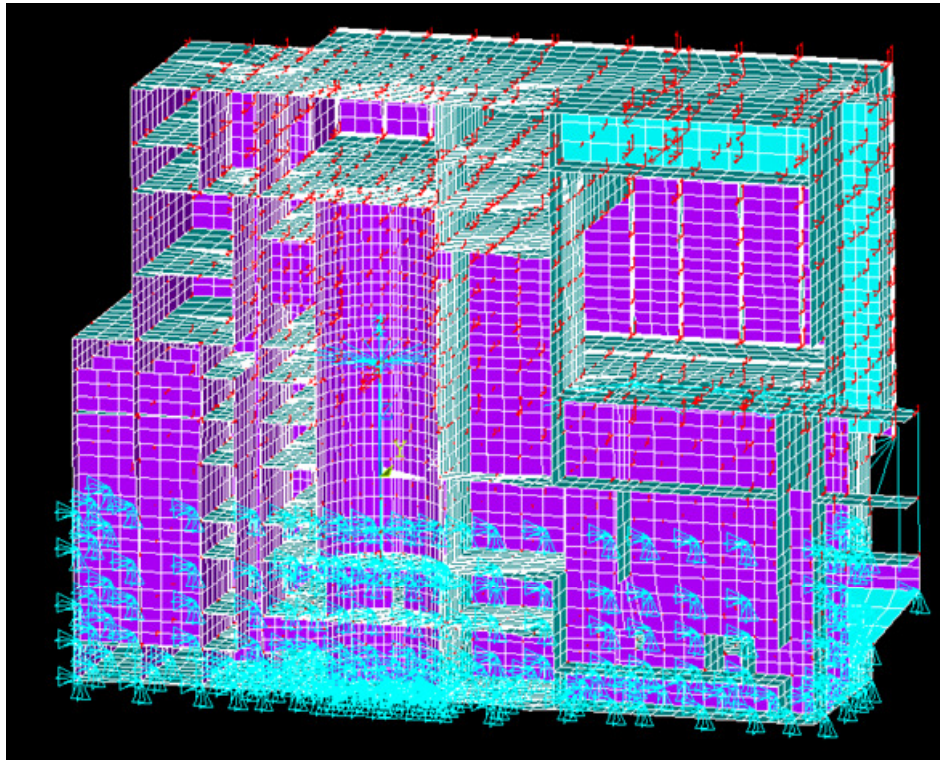
- From ACS SASSI-MAIN select “ANSYS Static Load” from the Run menu
- Fill in the appropriate boxes as described in the documentation
- ANSYS APDL input files are created containing the load data are created when the user clicks “OK”

The screenshot shows the 'ANSYS Static Load Converter' dialog box. It is divided into several sections for configuring the export of static loads from ACS SASSI to ANSYS.

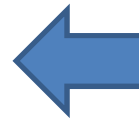
- Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model:** Includes radio buttons for 'Displacements' (selected), 'Acceleration', 'Displacement and Acceleration', and 'Displacement for Soil Module'.
- Use Multiple File Lists Inputs:** A checkbox that is currently unchecked.
- SASSI Model and Results Input:** Contains text boxes for 'Path' (F:\ssi_results), 'HOUSE Module Input' (solid_box.hou), 'Displacement Results' (THD_04.105_00822), and 'Trans. Acceleration Results'. There are also checkboxes for 'Rotational Disp.' and 'Rotational Accel.'.
- ANSYS Model and Data Input:** Contains text boxes for 'Path' (F:\ansys_files), 'Coarse', and 'Active Node List' (box_model.dof).
- Mass Data for Intertial Load (Ignore for Displacement):** Includes a 'Mass Type' section with 'Lumped Mass' (selected) and 'Master Node Mass' options, and a 'Generate Mass Data' checkbox. Below this are sections for 'For Lumped Mass' (Lumped Mass Data) and 'For Master Mass' (Master Node Order, Master Node List, Master Node Mass).
- ANSYS Output File:** Contains a text box for 'ADPL File' (disp_load.cmd).

At the bottom of the dialog are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons. The page number '13' is visible in the bottom right corner.

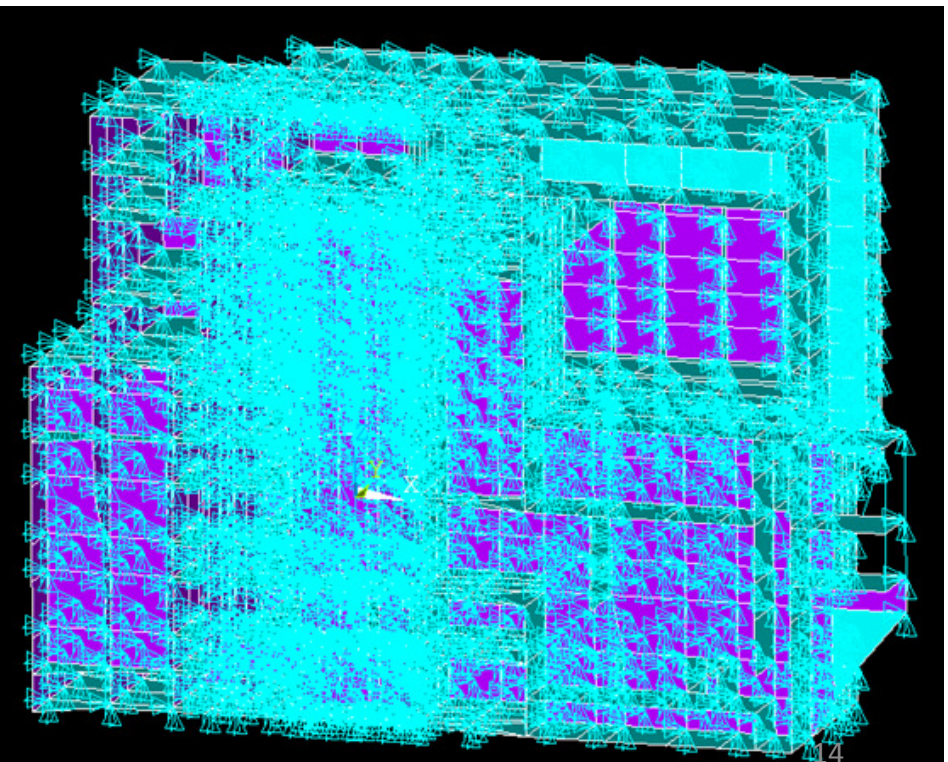
Exporting Equivalent Static Loads to ANSYS



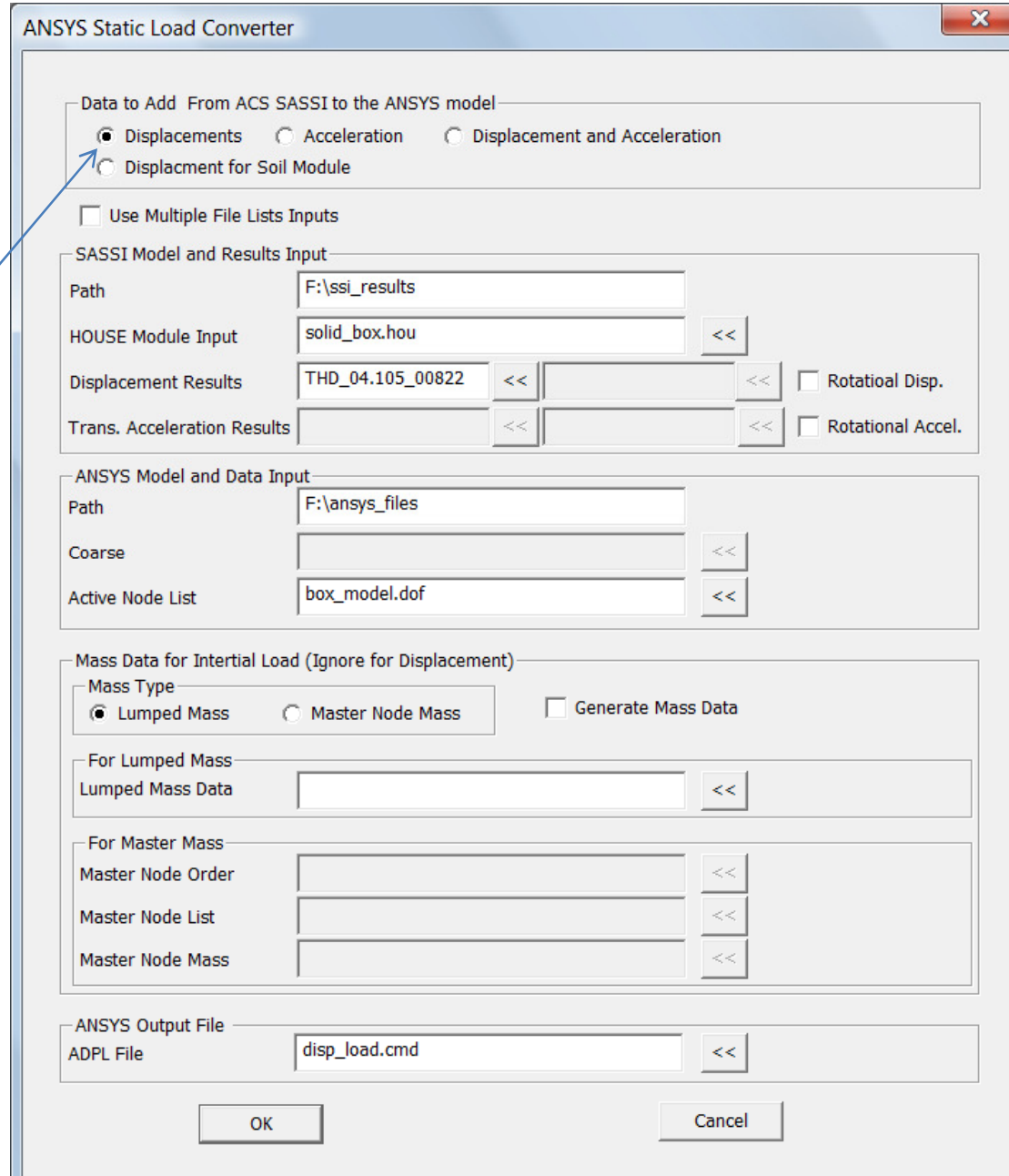
**Acceleration & Displacements BC
(Uses ANSYS Refined Model Solution)
- Accurate for Refined Stress Analysis**



**ANSYS Displacement BC
(Uses ACS SASSI Model Solution)
- Less Accurate for Refined Models
- Useful for subsystem input BC**



Displacement Option – Use SSI Model Solution



ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

☒ Displacements ☐ Acceleration ☐ Displacement and Acceleration
☐ Displacement for Soil Module

☐ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path

HOUSE Module Input <<

Displacement Results << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path

Coarse <<

Active Node List <<

Mass Data for Intertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type
☒ Lumped Mass ☐ Master Node Mass ☐ Generate Mass Data

For Lumped Mass
Lumped Mass Data <<

For Master Mass
Master Node Order <<
Master Node List <<
Master Node Mass <<

ANSYS Output File
ADPL File <<

OK Cancel

Acceleration Option – Select Nodal Mass Type

ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

☒ Displacements ☐ Acceleration ☐ Displacement and Acceleration
☐ Displacement for Soil Module

☐ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path:

HOUSE Module Input: <<

Displacement Results: << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results: << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path: F:\ansys_files

Coarse: box_ansys_coarse <<

Active Node List: <<

Mass Data for Inertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type: ☒ Lumped Mass ☐ Master Node Mass ☒ Generate Mass Data

For Lumped Mass

Lumped Mass Data: lumped_mass.dat <<

For Master Mass

Master Node Order: <<

Master Node List: <<

Master Node Mass: <<

ANSYS Output File

ADPL File: get_lumped_mass.cmd <<

OK Cancel

ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

☒ Displacements ☐ Acceleration ☐ Displacement and Acceleration
☐ Displacement for Soil Module

☐ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path: F:\ssi_results

HOUSE Module Input: solid_box.hou <<

Displacement Results: << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results: << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path: F:\ansys_files

Coarse: <<

Active Node List: box_model.dof <<

Mass Data for Inertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type: ☐ Lumped Mass ☒ Master Node Mass ☒ Generate Mass Data

For Lumped Mass

Lumped Mass Data: <<

For Master Mass

Master Node Order: master_def.lst <<

Master Node List: master_nodes.lst <<

Master Node Mass: master_mass.dat <<

ANSYS Output File

ADPL File: get_master_mass.cmd <<

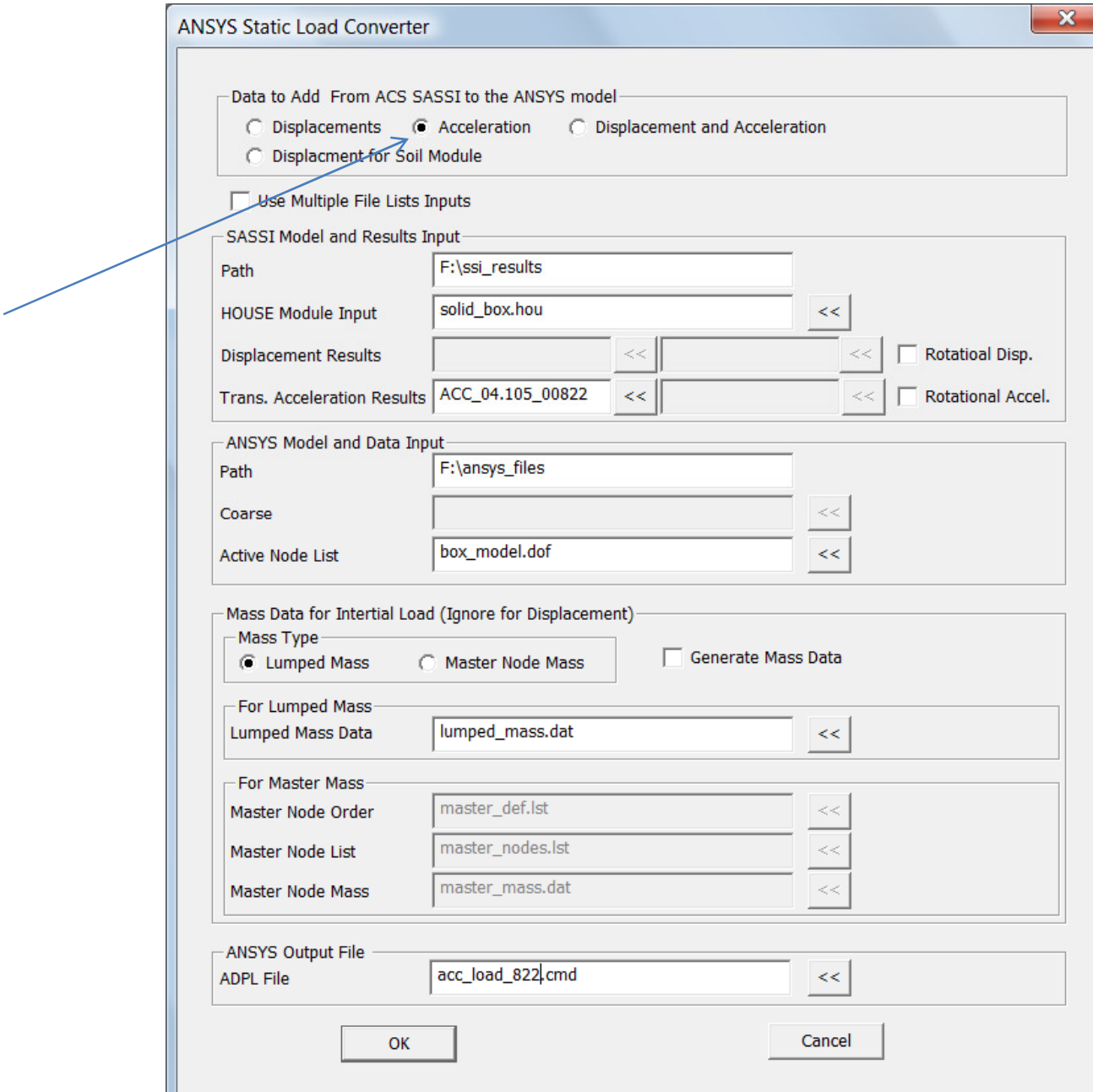
OK Cancel

Lumped Masses/Coarse

Master DOF Masses/Refined

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Acceleration Option – With Nodal Lumped Masses



ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

☐ Displacements ☒ Acceleration ☐ Displacement and Acceleration
☐ Displacement for Soil Module

☐ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path F:\ssi_results

HOUSE Module Input solid_box.hou <<

Displacement Results << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results ACC_04.105_00822 << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path F:\ansys_files

Coarse <<

Active Node List box_model.dof <<

Mass Data for Inertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type
☒ Lumped Mass ☐ Master Node Mass ☐ Generate Mass Data

For Lumped Mass

Lumped Mass Data lumped_mass.dat <<

For Master Mass

Master Node Order master_def.lst <<

Master Node List master_nodes.lst <<

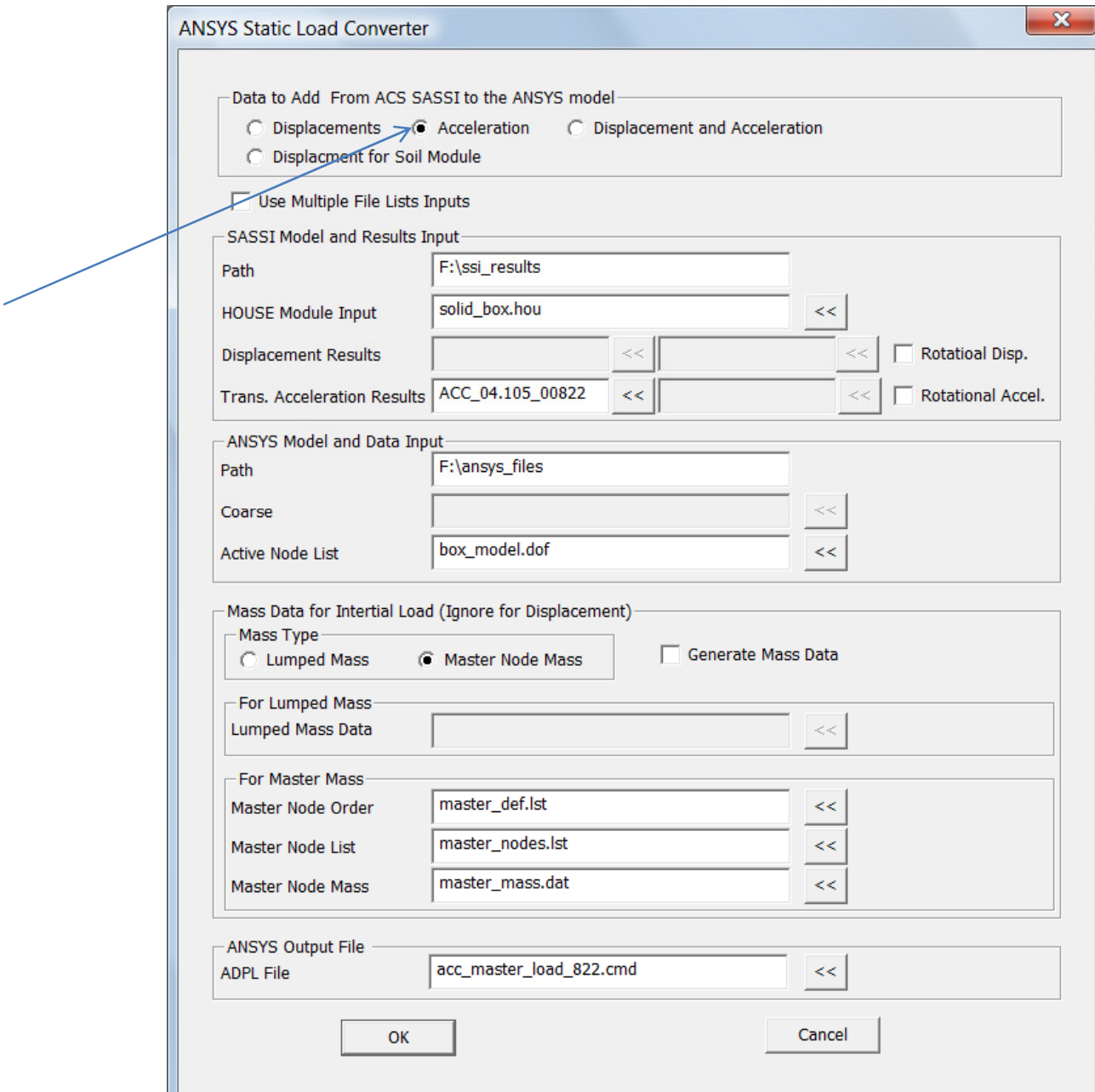
Master Node Mass master_mass.dat <<

ANSYS Output File

ADPL File acc_load_822.cmd <<

OK Cancel

Acceleration Option – With Nodal Master DOF Masses



ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

☐ Displacements ☒ Acceleration ☐ Displacement and Acceleration
☐ Displacement for Soil Module

☐ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path F:\ssi_results

HOUSE Module Input solid_box.hou <<

Displacement Results << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results ACC_04.105_00822 << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path F:\ansys_files

Coarse <<

Active Node List box_model.dof <<

Mass Data for Inertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type
☐ Lumped Mass ☒ Master Node Mass ☐ Generate Mass Data

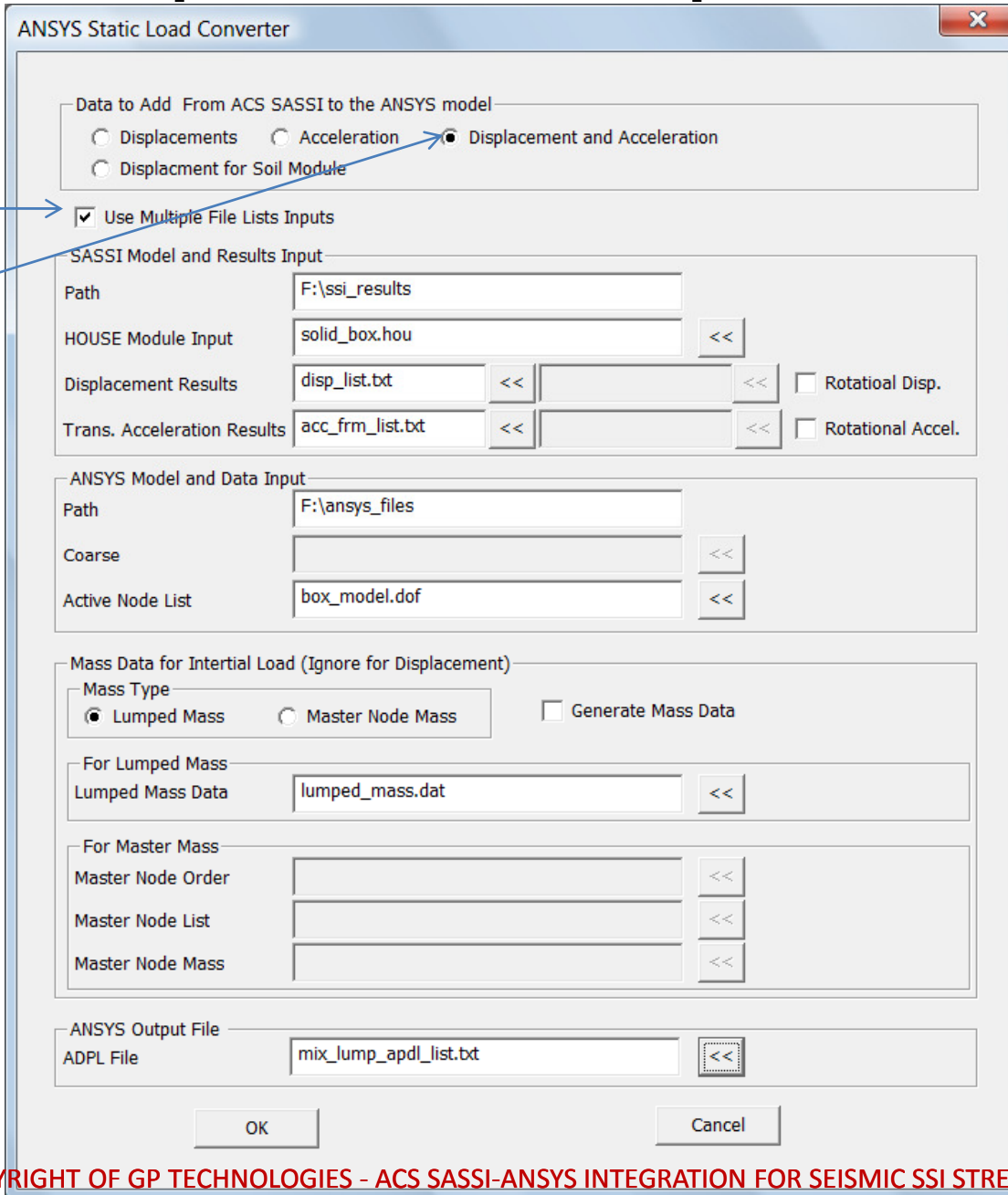
For Lumped Mass
Lumped Mass Data <<

For Master Mass
Master Node Order master_def.lst <<
Master Node List master_nodes.lst <<
Master Node Mass master_mass.dat <<

ANSYS Output File
ADPL File acc_master_load_822.cmd <<

OK Cancel

Mixed Option – With Lumped Masses



The screenshot shows the 'ANSYS Static Load Converter' dialog box. Two blue arrows point to specific settings: one points to the 'Displacement and Acceleration' radio button under 'Data to Add', and the other points to the 'Use Multiple File Lists Inputs' checkbox.

ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

- ☐ Displacements
- ☐ Acceleration
- ☒ Displacement and Acceleration
- ☐ Displacement for Soil Module

☒ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path: F:\ssi_results

HOUSE Module Input: solid_box.hou <<

Displacement Results: disp_list.txt << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results: acc_frm_list.txt << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path: F:\ansys_files

Coarse: <<

Active Node List: box_model.dof <<

Mass Data for Intertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type

- ☒ Lumped Mass
- ☐ Master Node Mass

☐ Generate Mass Data

For Lumped Mass

Lumped Mass Data: lumped_mass.dat <<

For Master Mass

Master Node Order: <<

Master Node List: <<

Master Node Mass: <<

ANSYS Output File

ADPL File: mix_lump_apdl_list.txt <<

OK Cancel

Mixed Option – With Master DOF Masses

ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

☐ Displacements ☐ Acceleration ☒ Displacement and Acceleration ☐ Displacement for Soil Module

☒ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path F:\ssi_results

HOUSE Module Input solid_box.hou <<

Displacement Results disp_list.txt << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results acc_frm_list.txt << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path F:\ansys_files

Coarse <<

Active Node List box_model.dof <<

Mass Data for Inertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type ☐ Lumped Mass ☒ Master Node Mass ☐ Generate Mass Data

For Lumped Mass

Lumped Mass Data <<

For Master Mass

Master Node Order master_def.lst <<

Master Node List master_nodes.lst <<

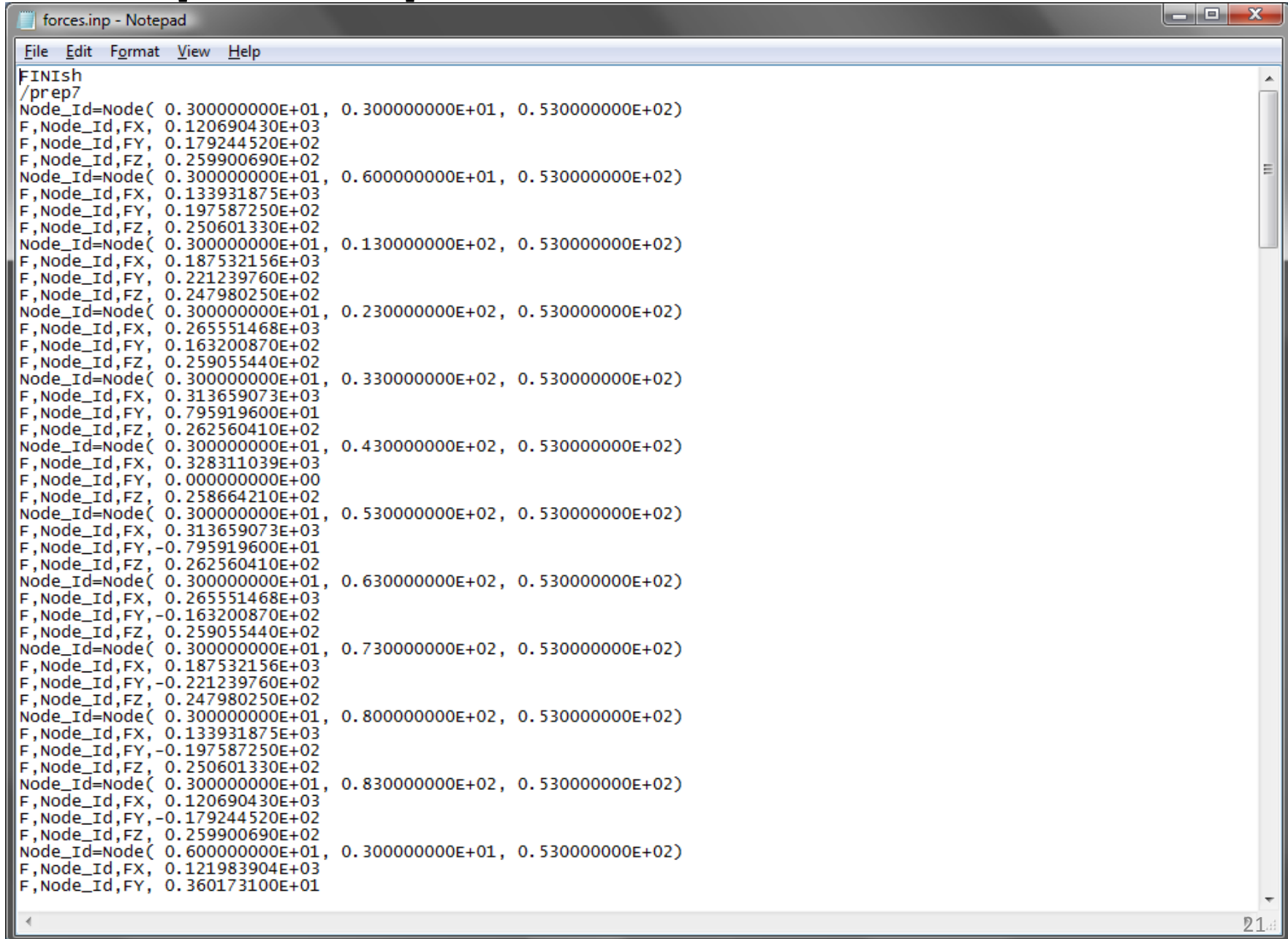
Master Node Mass master_mass.dat <<

ANSYS Output File

ADPL File mix_master_apdl_list.txt <<

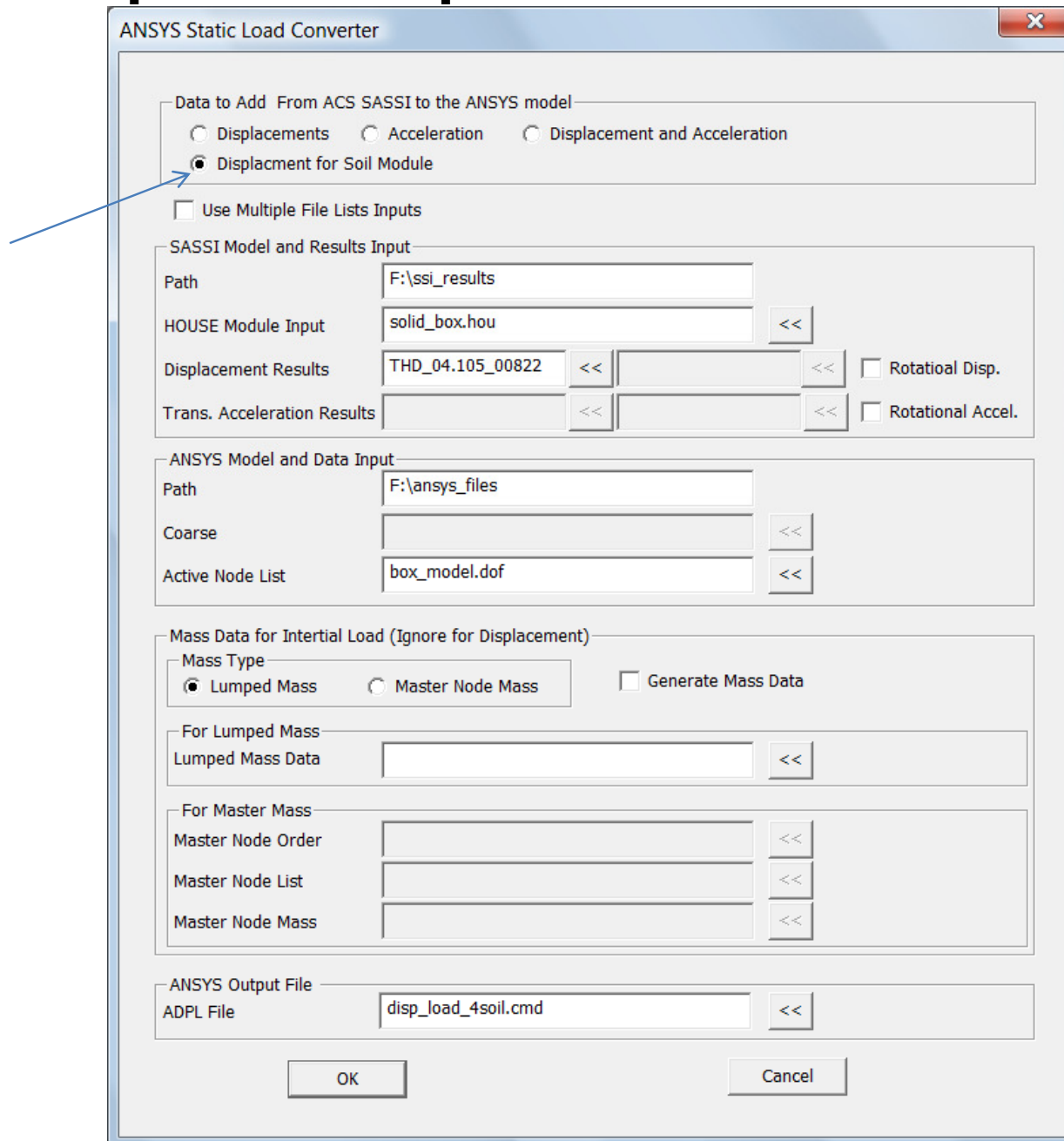
OK Cancel

Example of Equivalent Static APDL File Created



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File Edit Format View Help
FINISH
/prep7
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F,Node_Id,FY, 0.179244520E+02
F,Node_Id,FZ, 0.259900690E+02
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F,Node_Id,FY, 0.197587250E+02
F,Node_Id,FZ, 0.250601330E+02
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Soil Model Option – Displacements at Interaction Nodes



ANSYS Static Load Converter

Data to Add From ACS SASSI to the ANSYS model

☐ Displacements ☐ Acceleration ☐ Displacement and Acceleration

☒ Displacement for Soil Module

☐ Use Multiple File Lists Inputs

SASSI Model and Results Input

Path F:\ssi_results

HOUSE Module Input solid_box.hou <<

Displacement Results THD_04.105_00822 << << ☐ Rotational Disp.

Trans. Acceleration Results << << ☐ Rotational Accel.

ANSYS Model and Data Input

Path F:\ansys_files

Coarse <<

Active Node List box_model.dof <<

Mass Data for Intertial Load (Ignore for Displacement)

Mass Type

☒ Lumped Mass ☐ Master Node Mass ☐ Generate Mass Data

For Lumped Mass

Lumped Mass Data <<

For Master Mass

Master Node Order <<

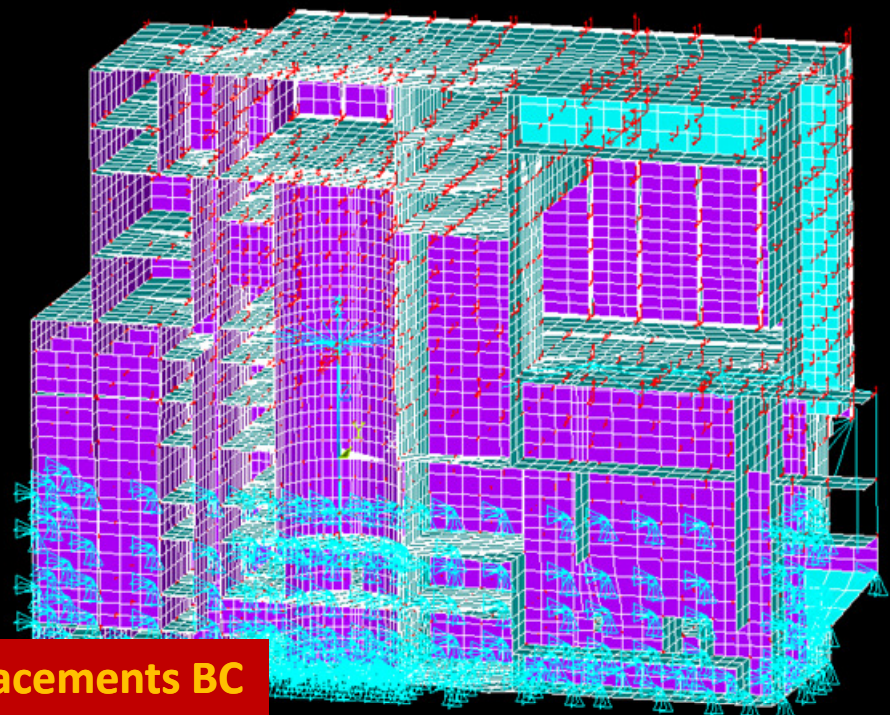
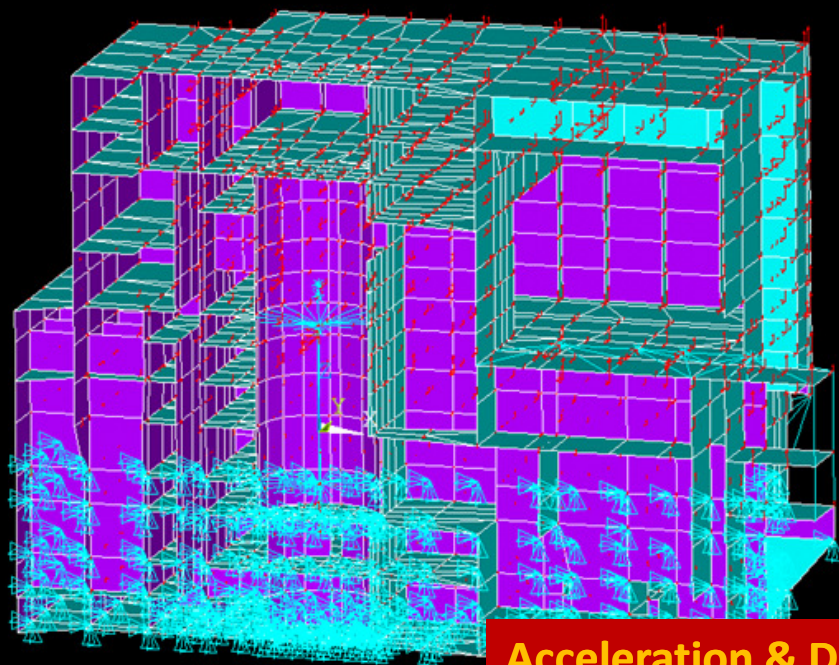
Master Node List <<

Master Node Mass <<

ANSYS Output File

ADPL File disp_load_4soil.cmd <<

OK Cancel

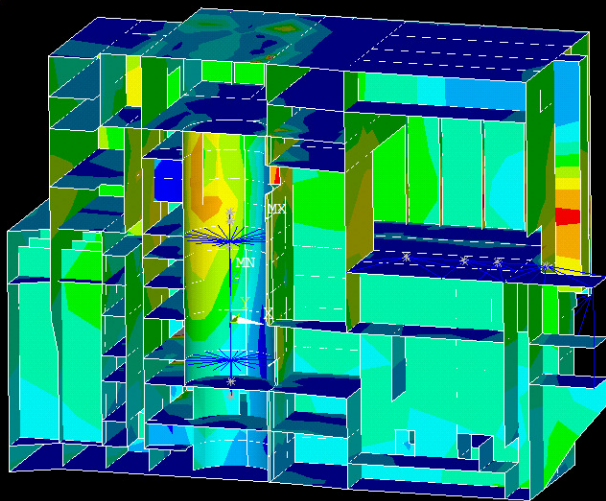


Acceleration & Displacements BC

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SSI Model

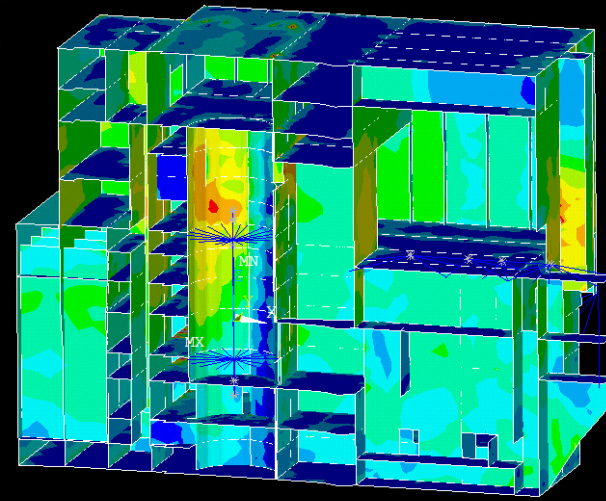
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JUN 15 2010
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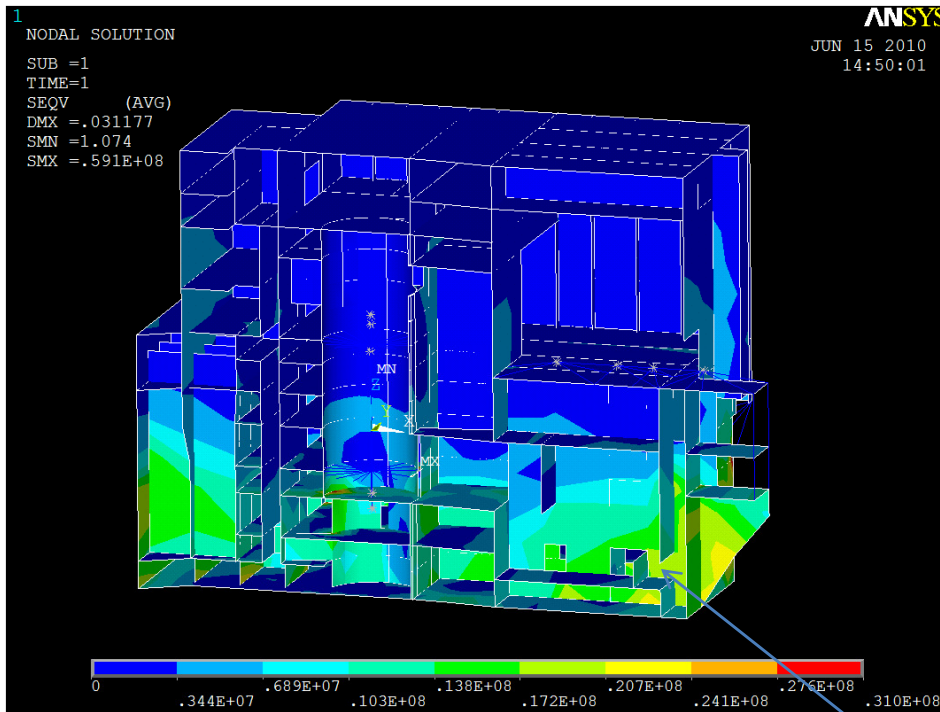
Refined Model

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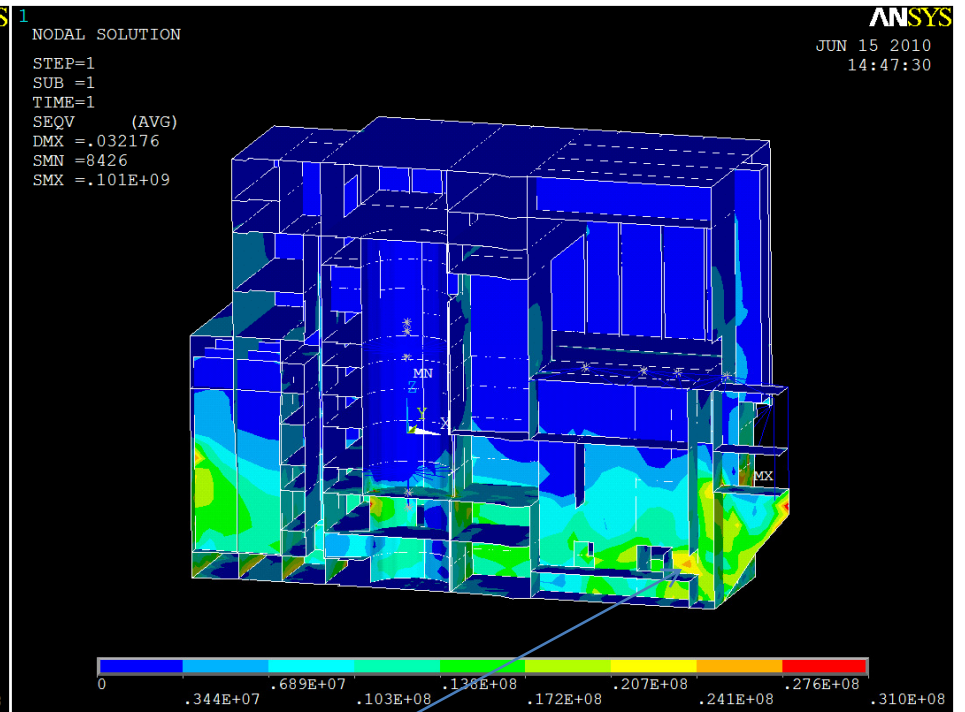


Support Displacements BC

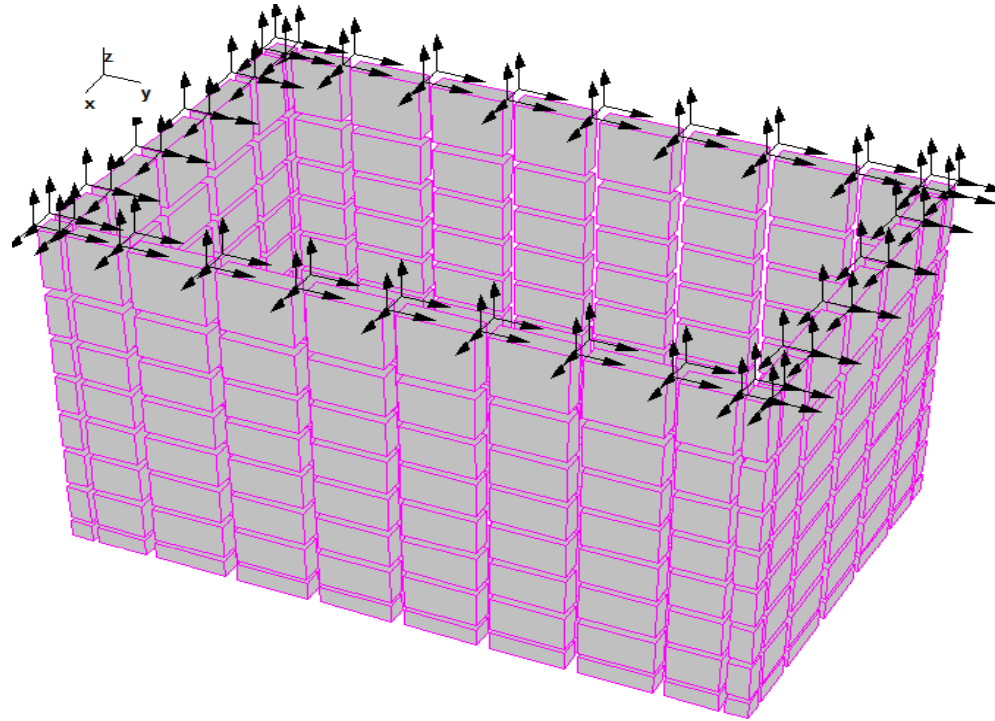
SSI Model



Refined Model

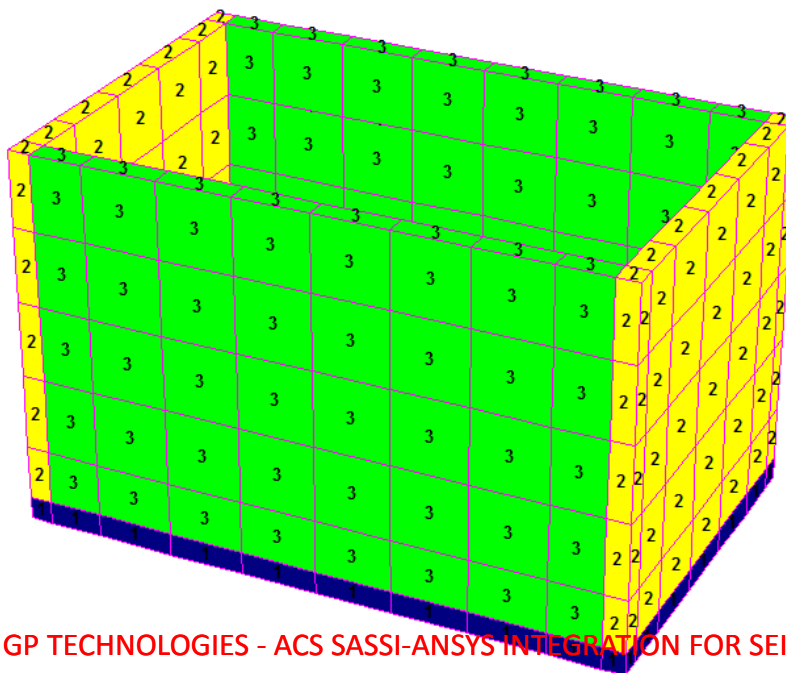
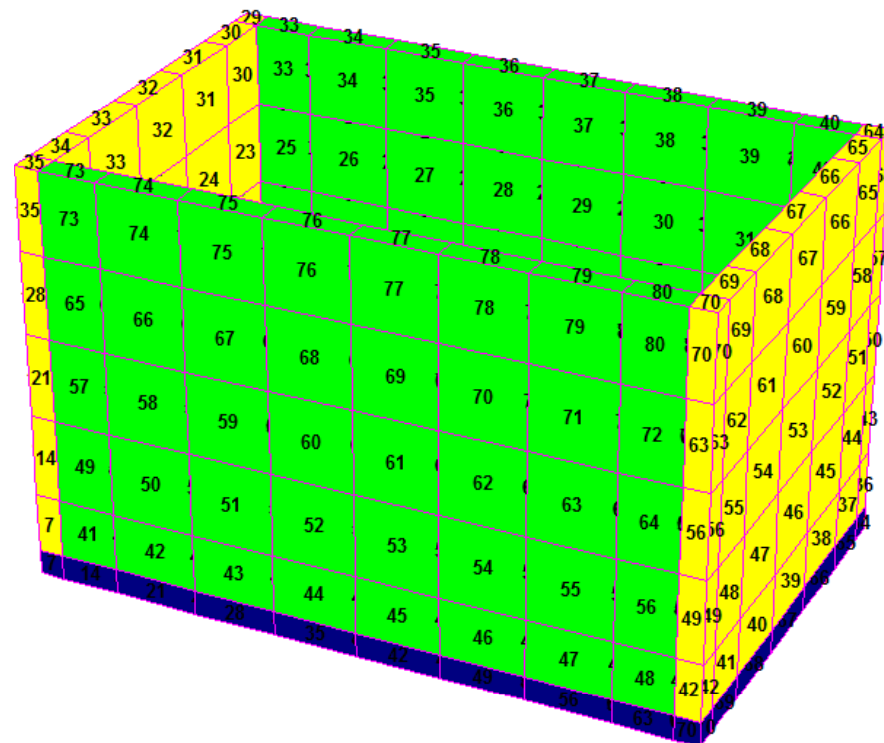
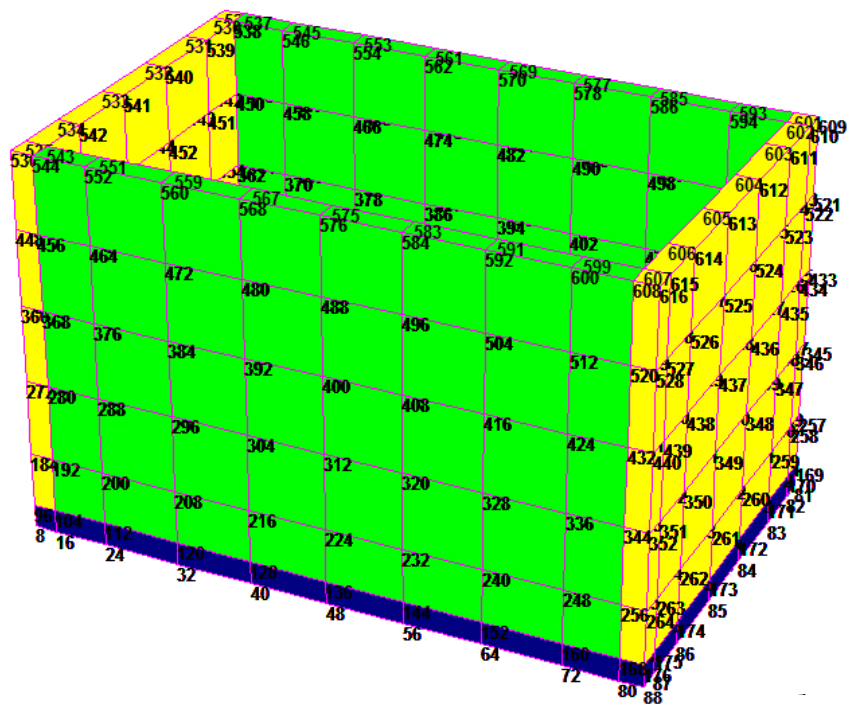


30 ft Embedded Concrete Pool Structure



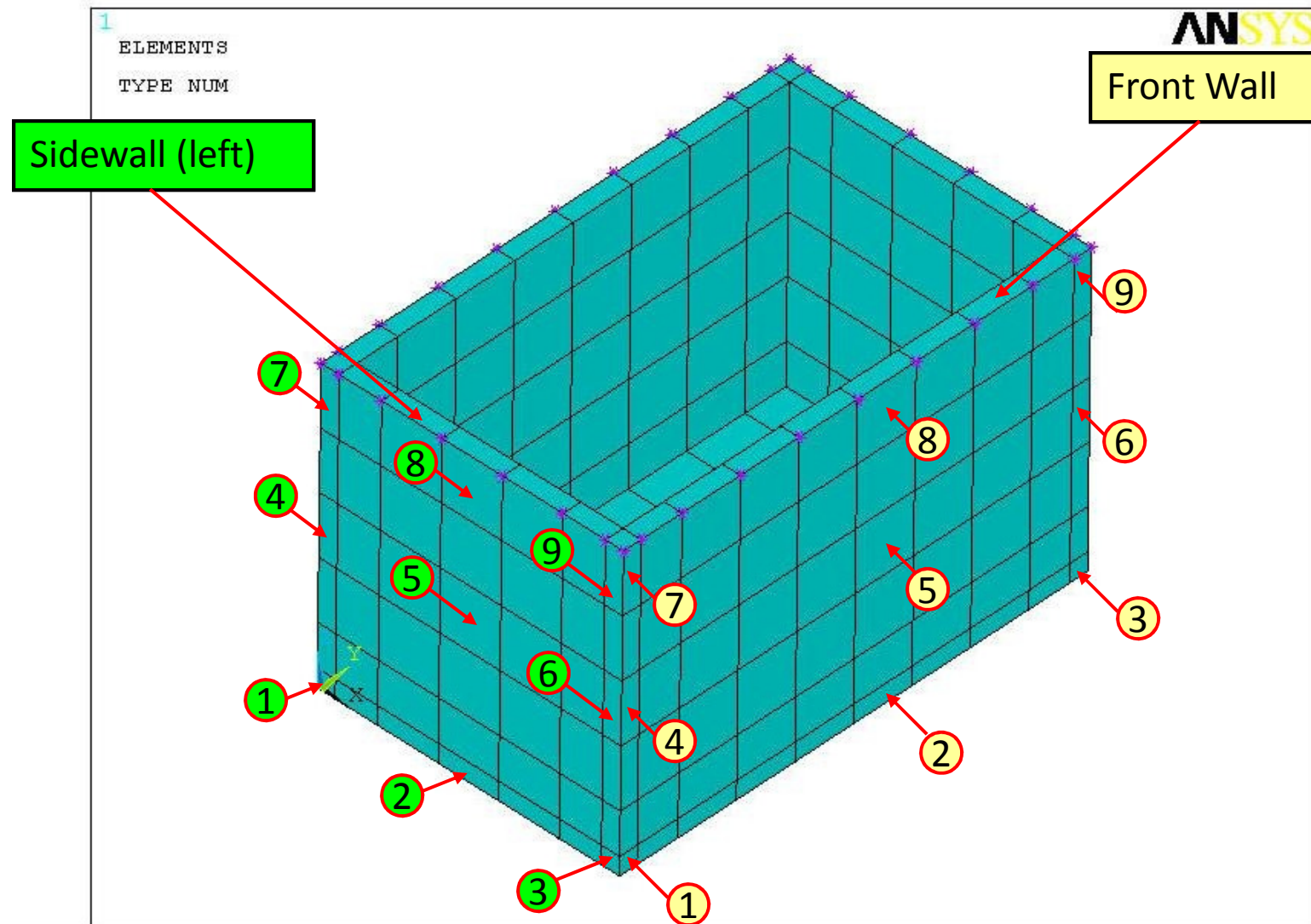
SSI Analysis Inputs:

- Structure: Embedded Concrete Pool Structure of 50ft x 80ft Size
- Soil Deposit: Uniform soil layering with Vs of about 1,000fps
- Control Motion: RG 1.60 Input



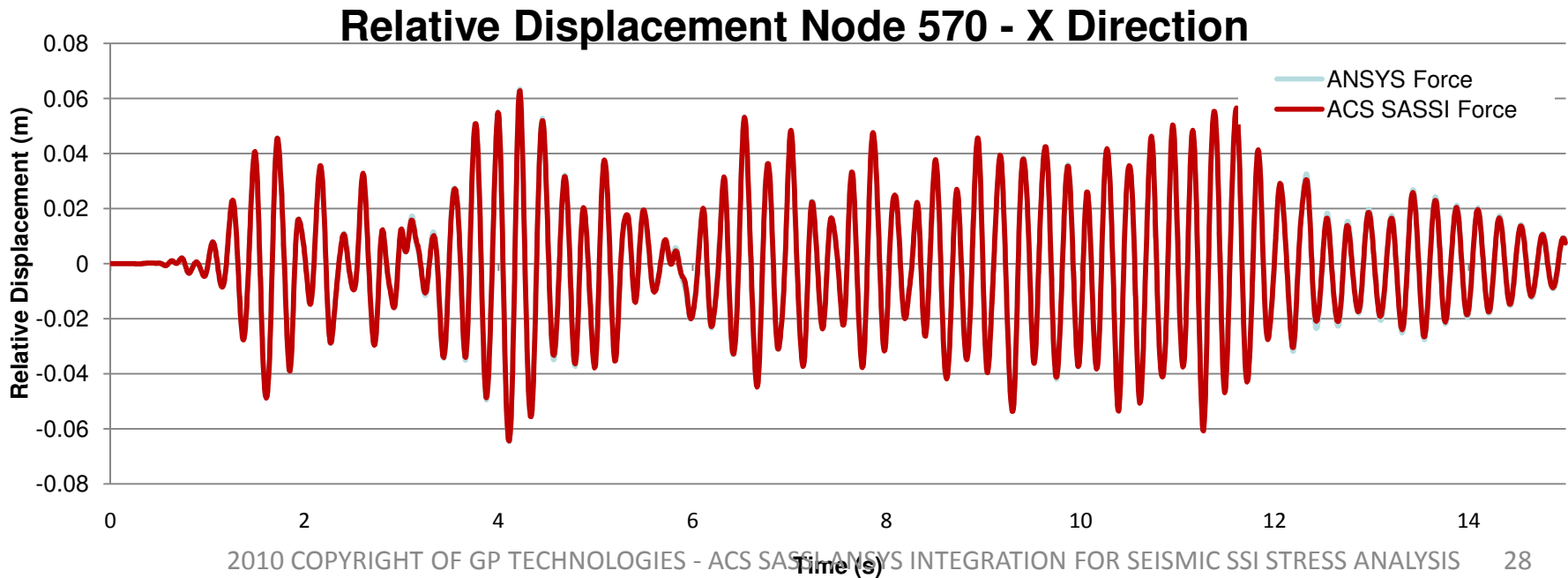
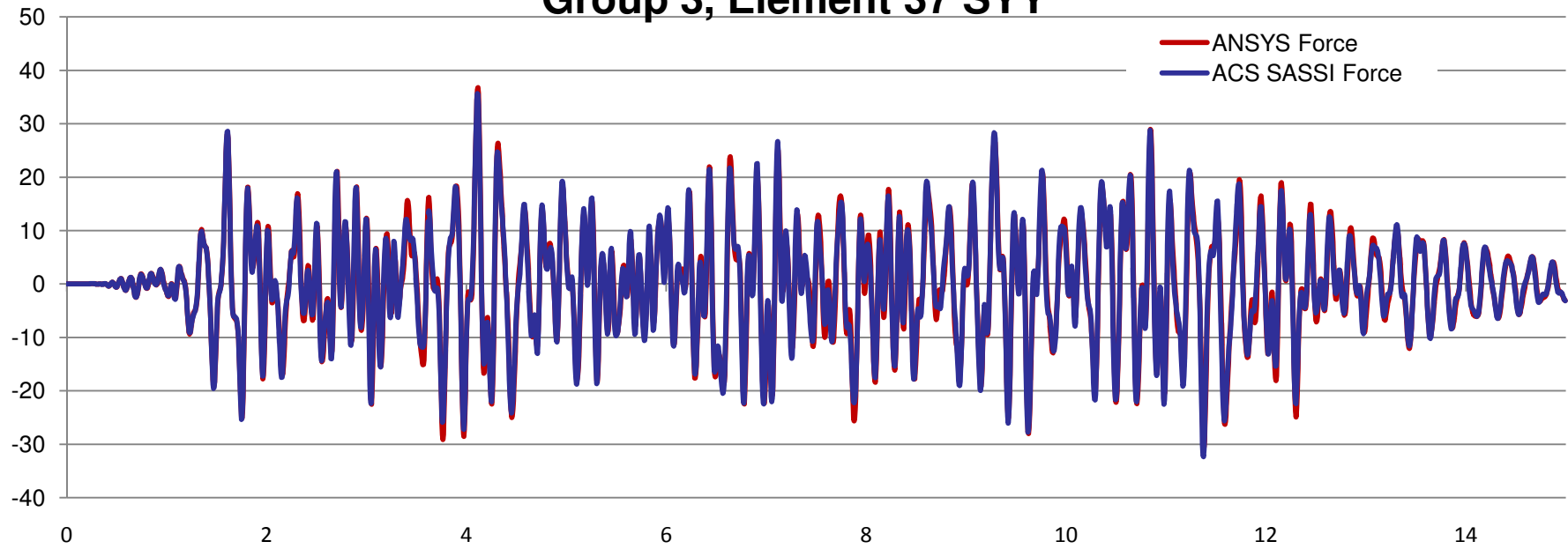
SOLID ELEMENT BOX MODEL

Element Numbering



ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – Fixed Base Model

Group 3, Element 37 SYX



ANSYS Equivalent-Static vs. ACS SASSI – Fixed Base Model

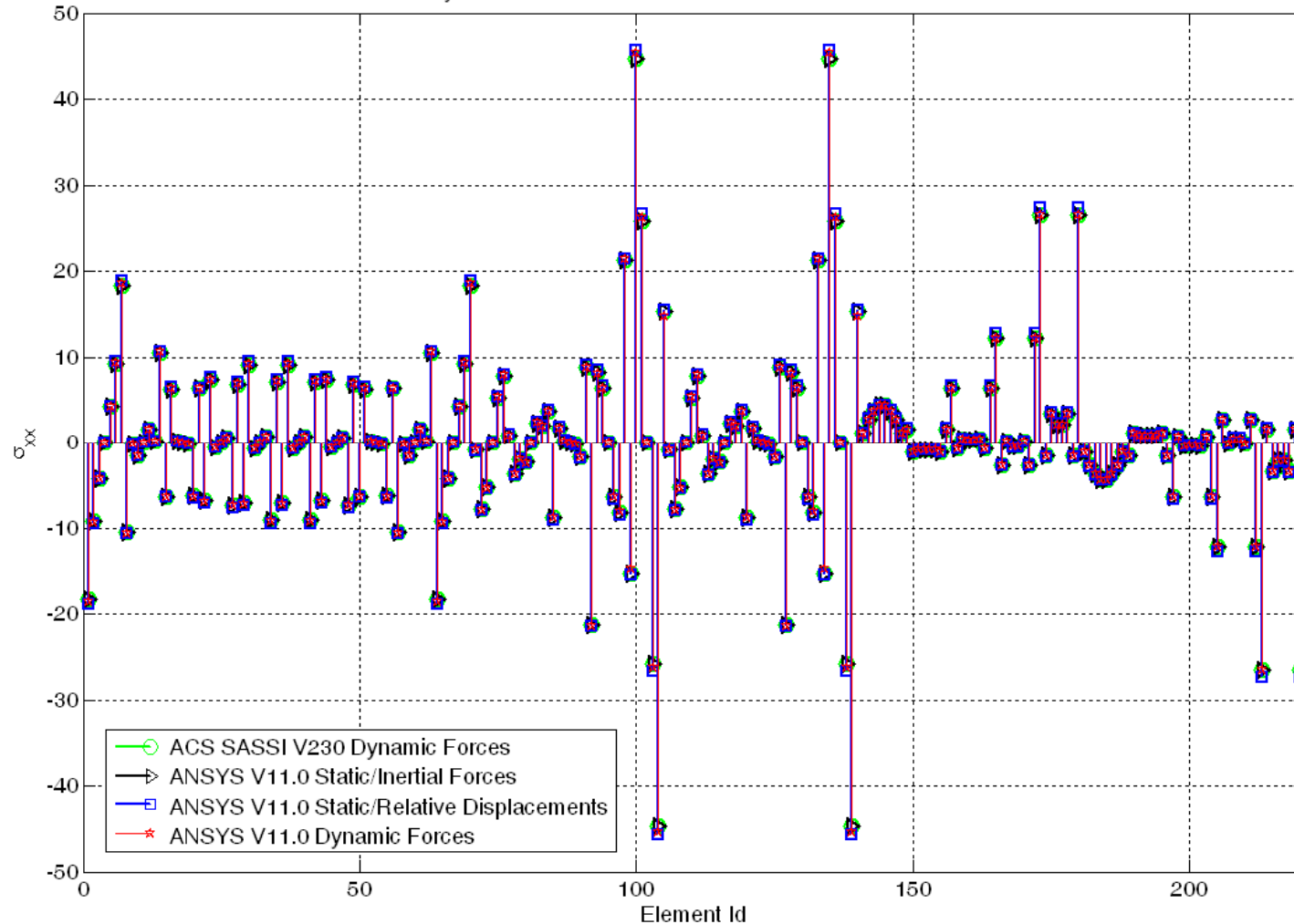
Element Center Stresses Comparing of All Elements at Frame 822

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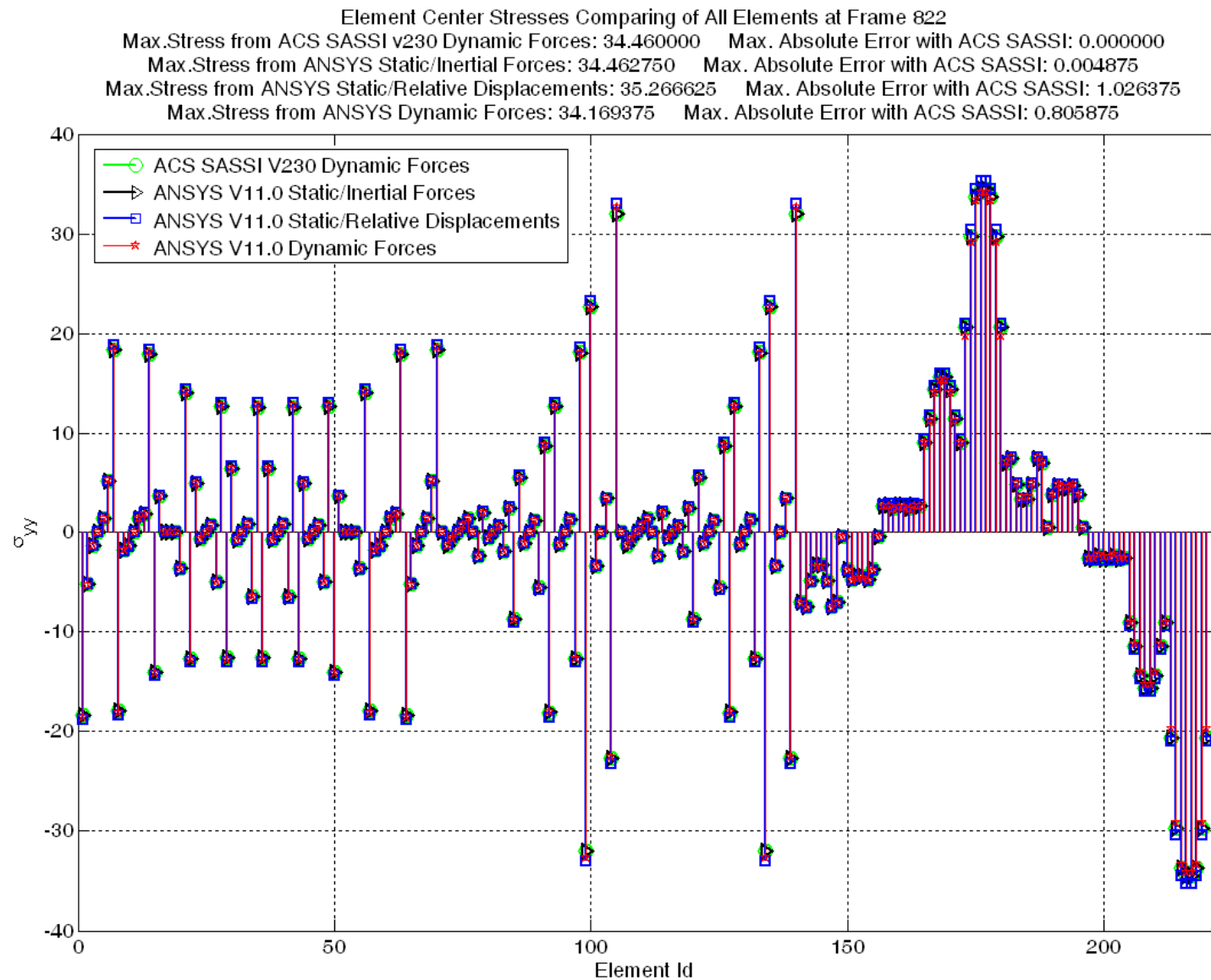
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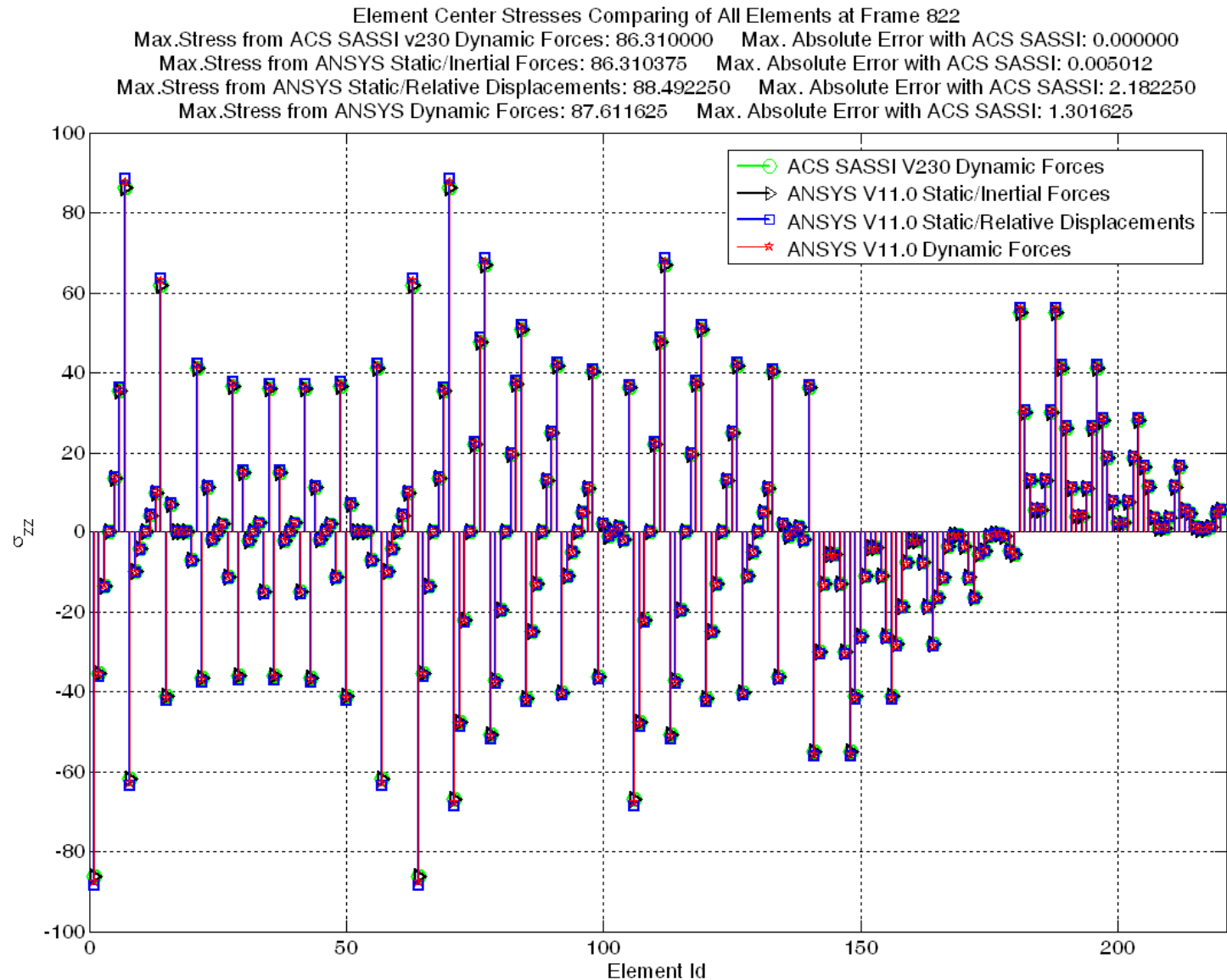
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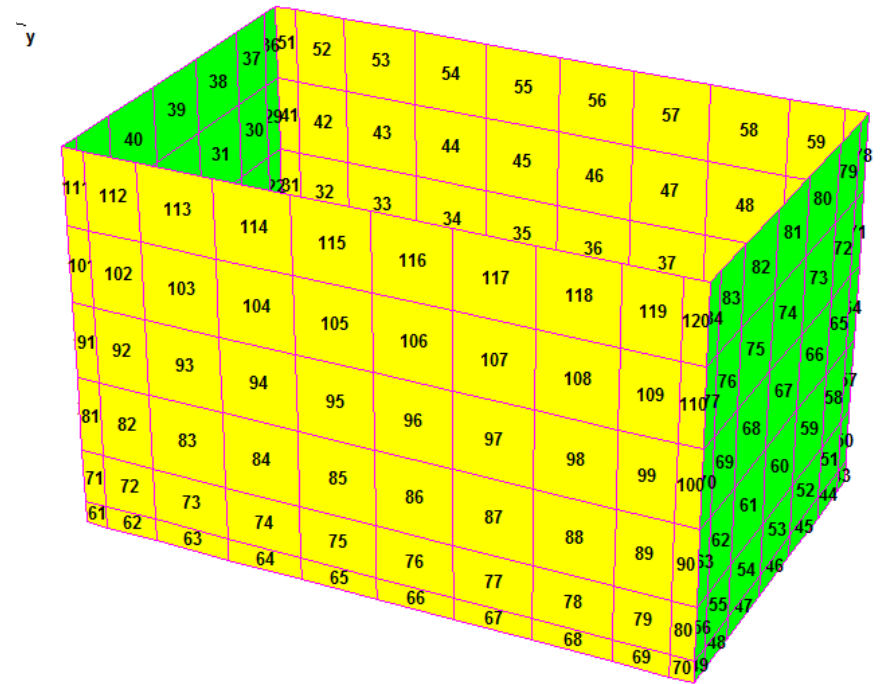
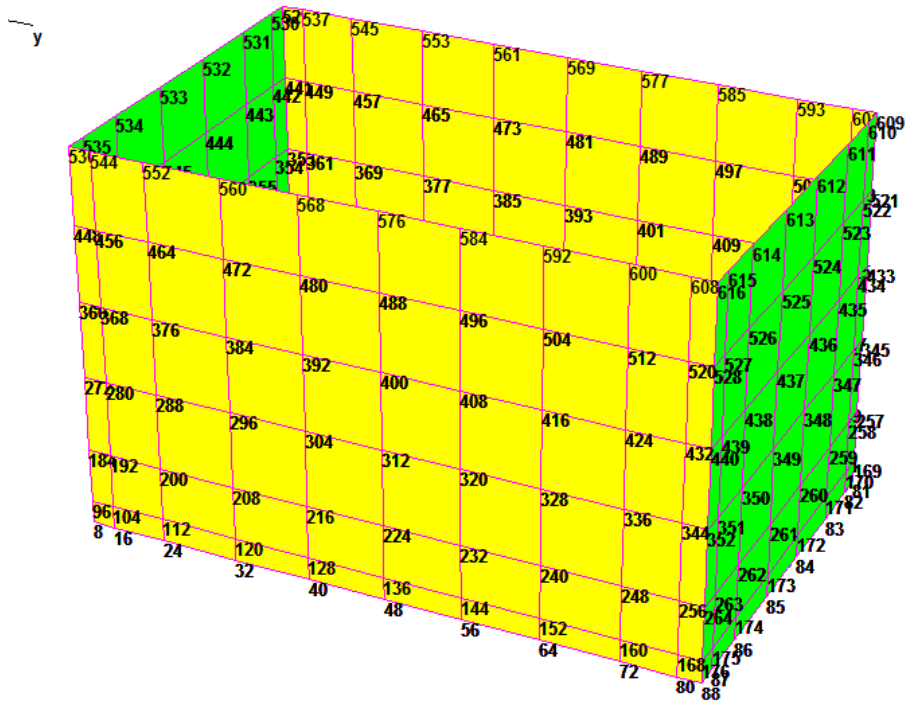


ANSYS Equivalent-Static vs. ACS SASSI – Fixed Base Model

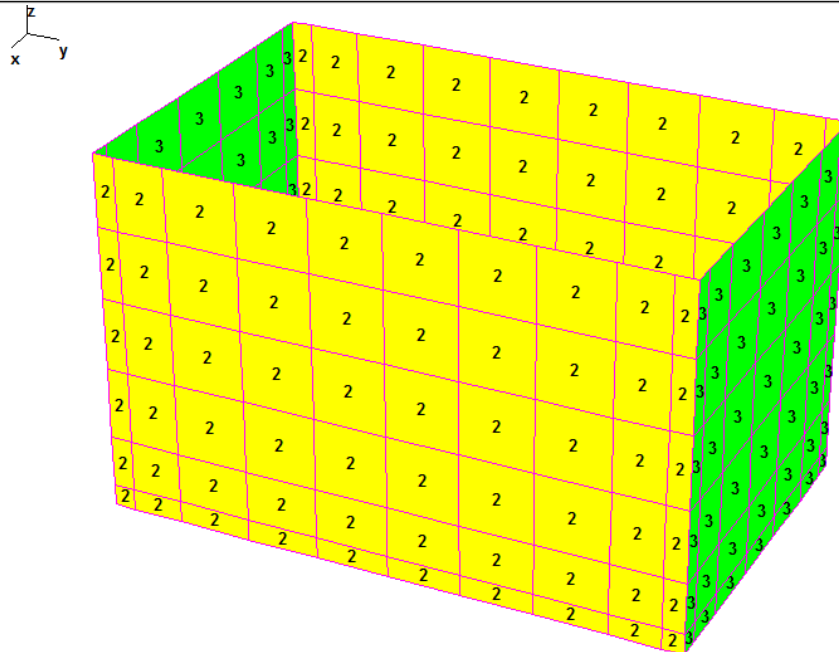


ANSYS Equivalent-Static vs. ACS SASSI – Fixed Base Model

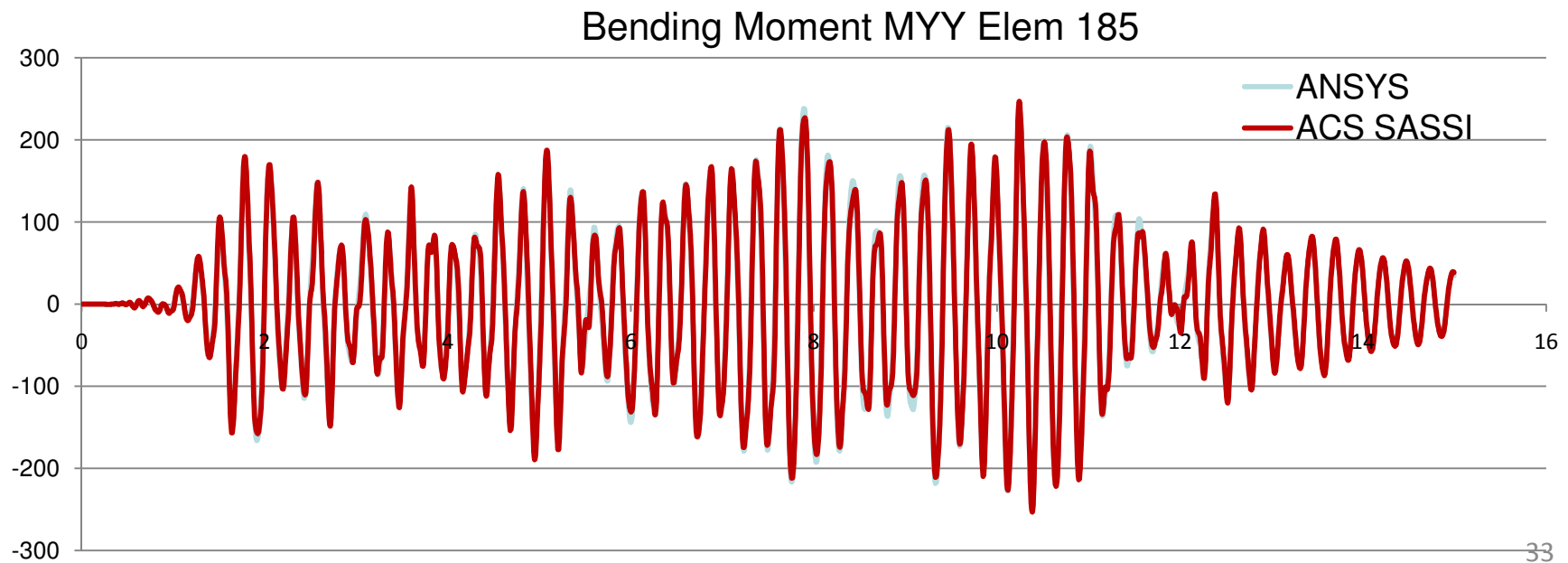
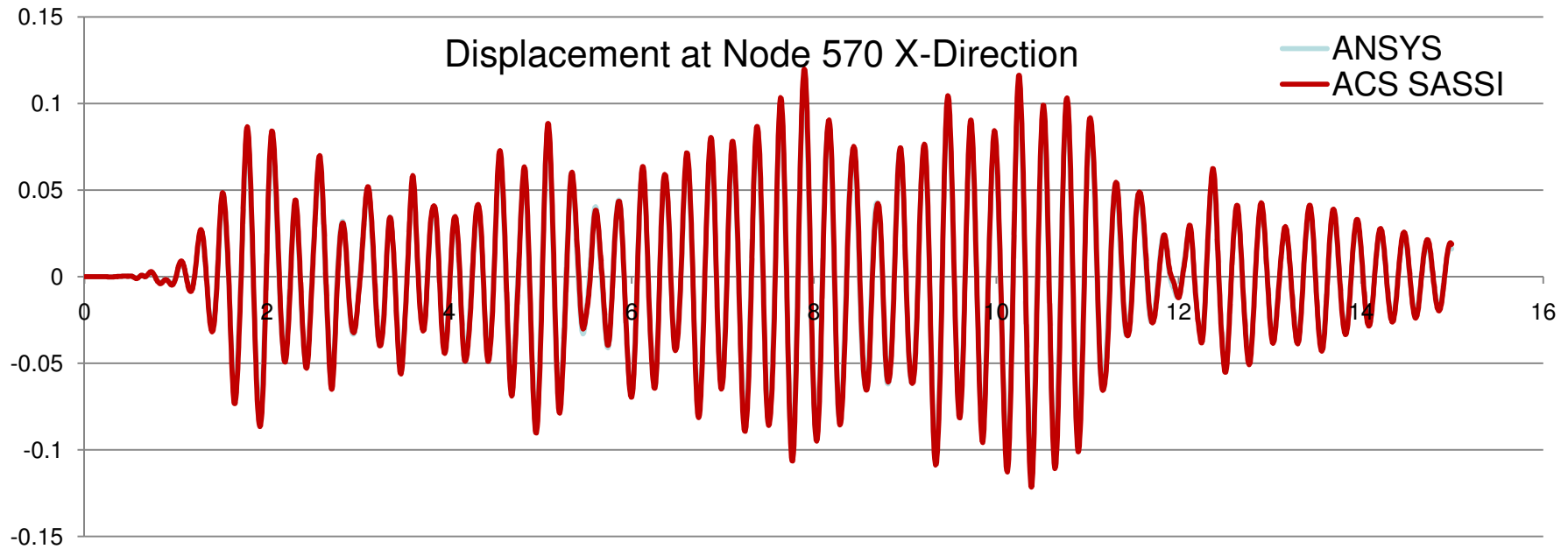




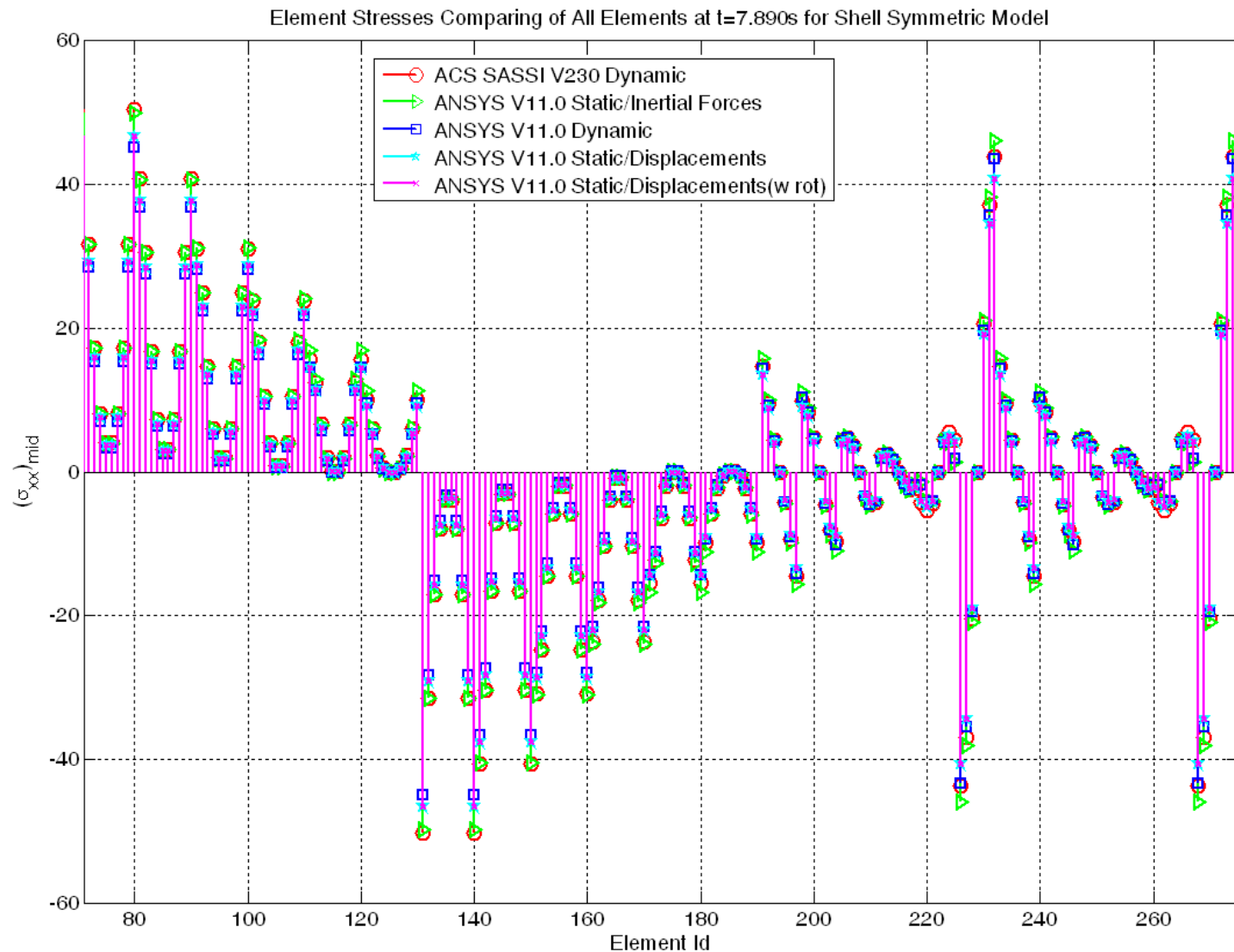
SHELL ELEMENT BOX MODEL



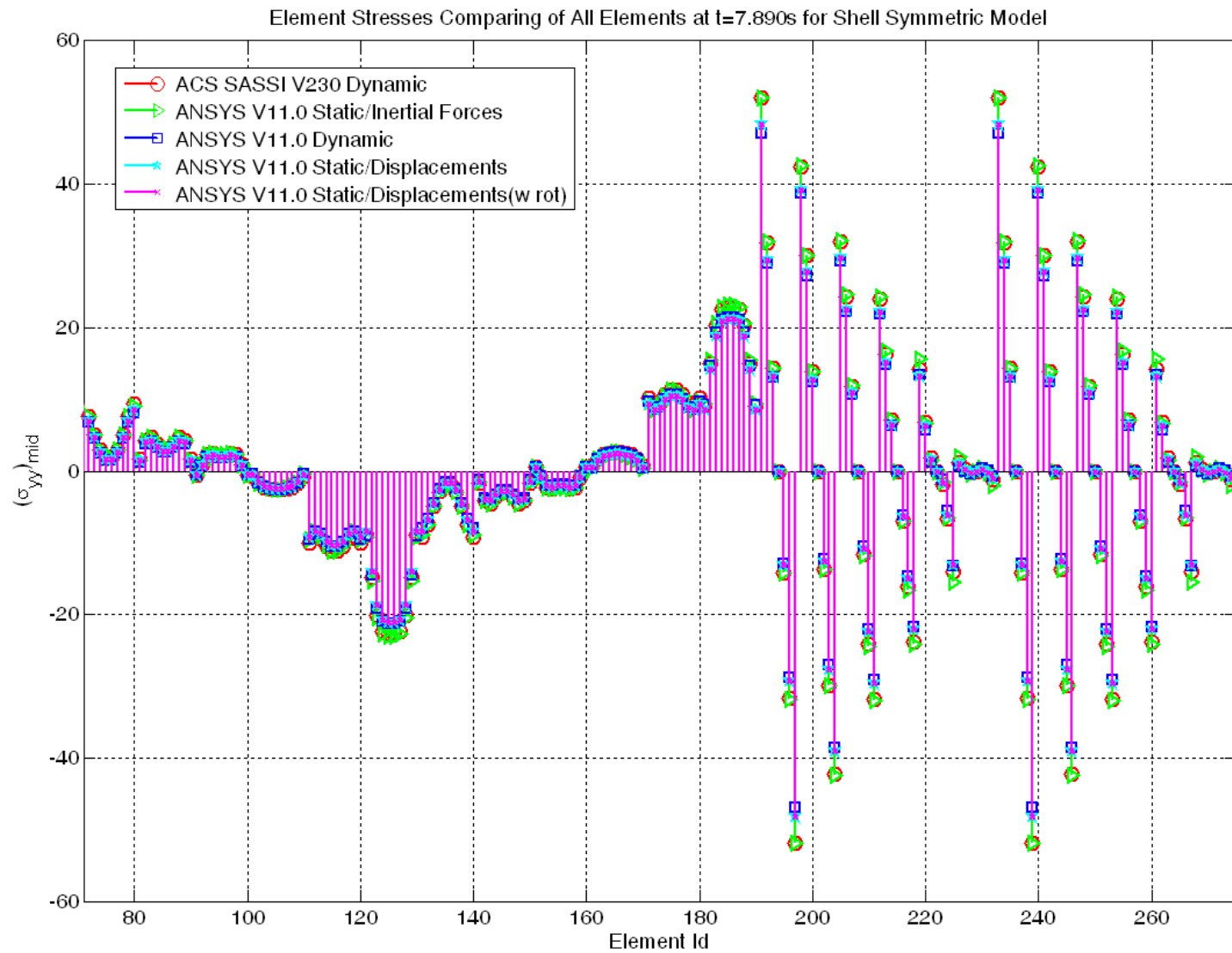
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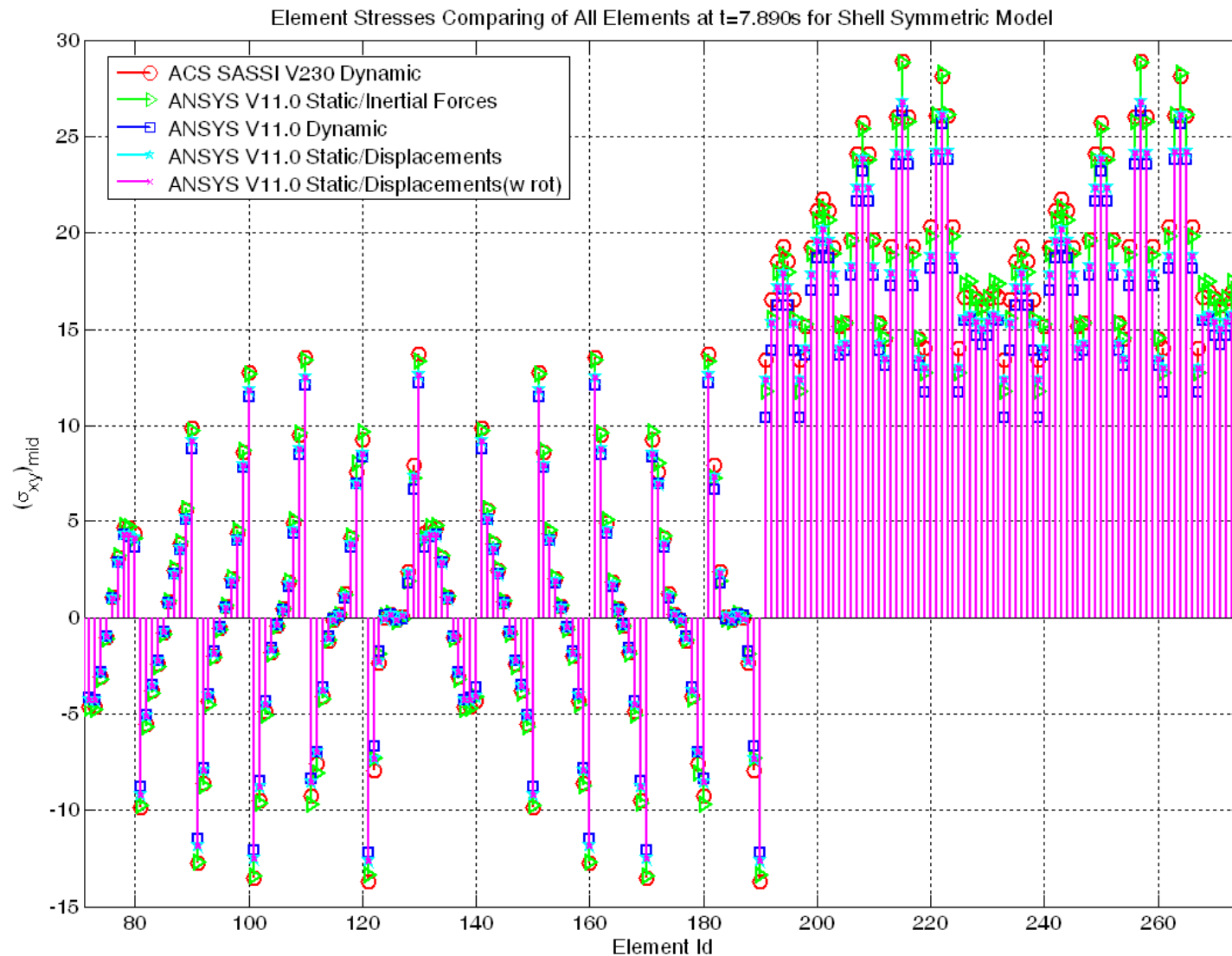
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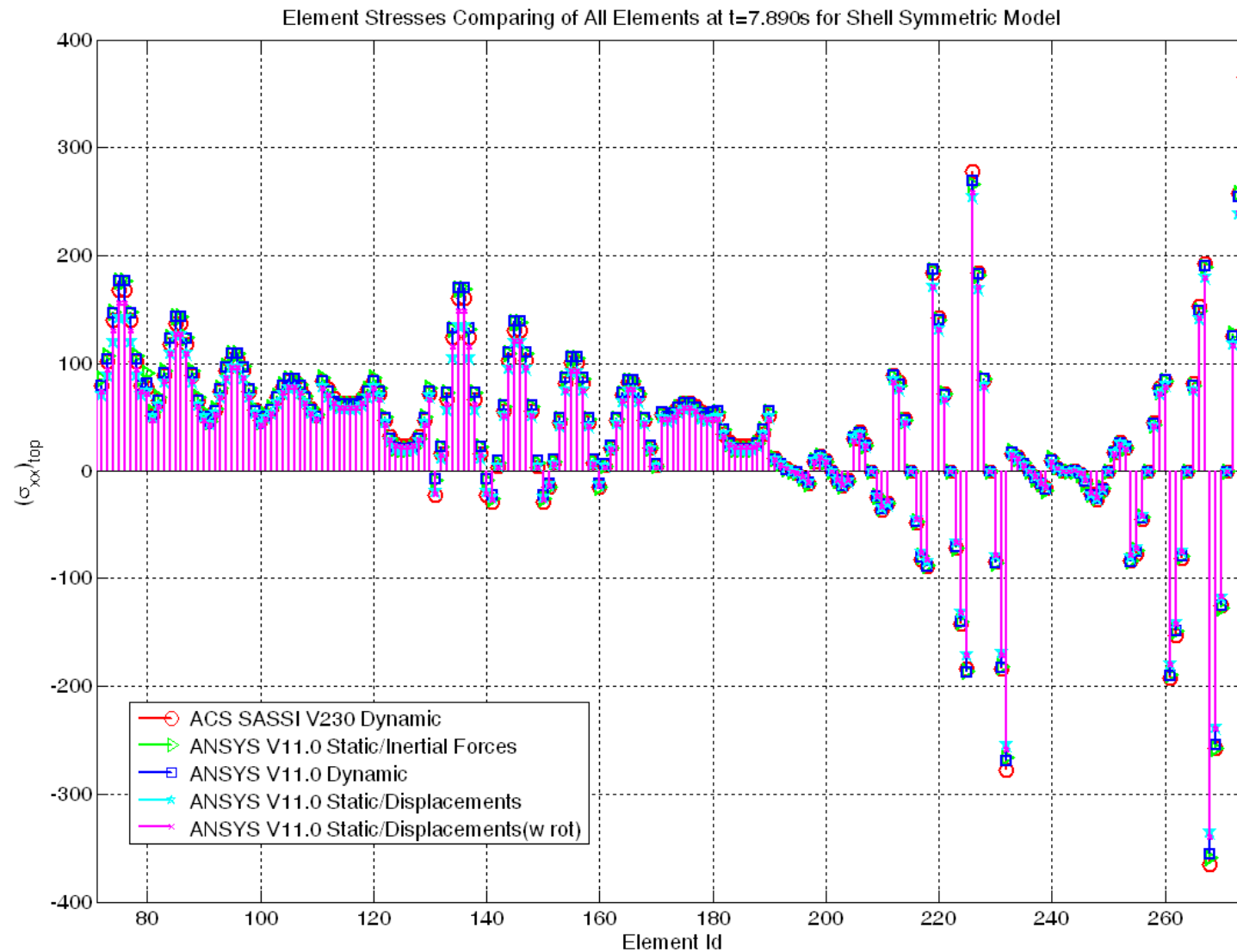
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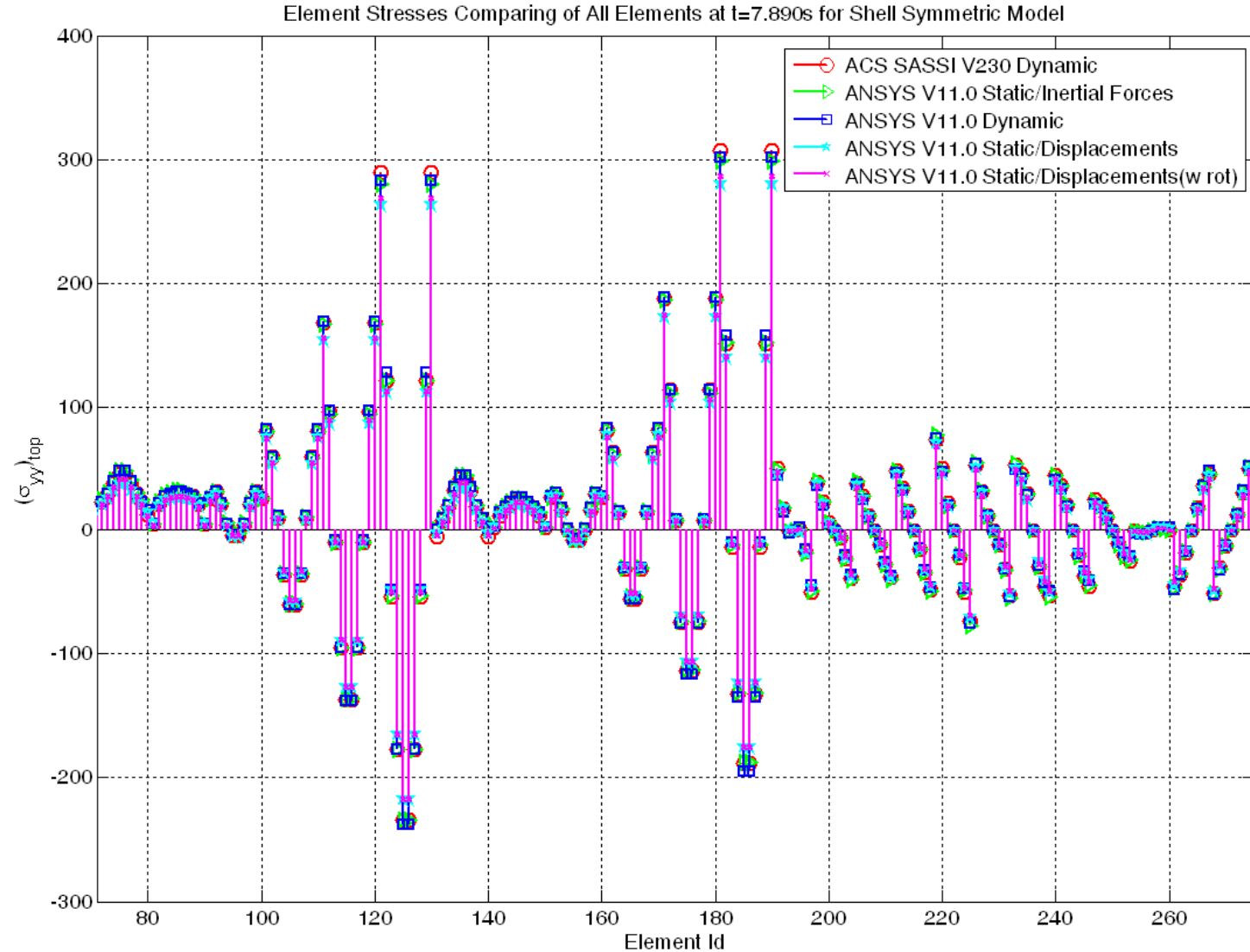
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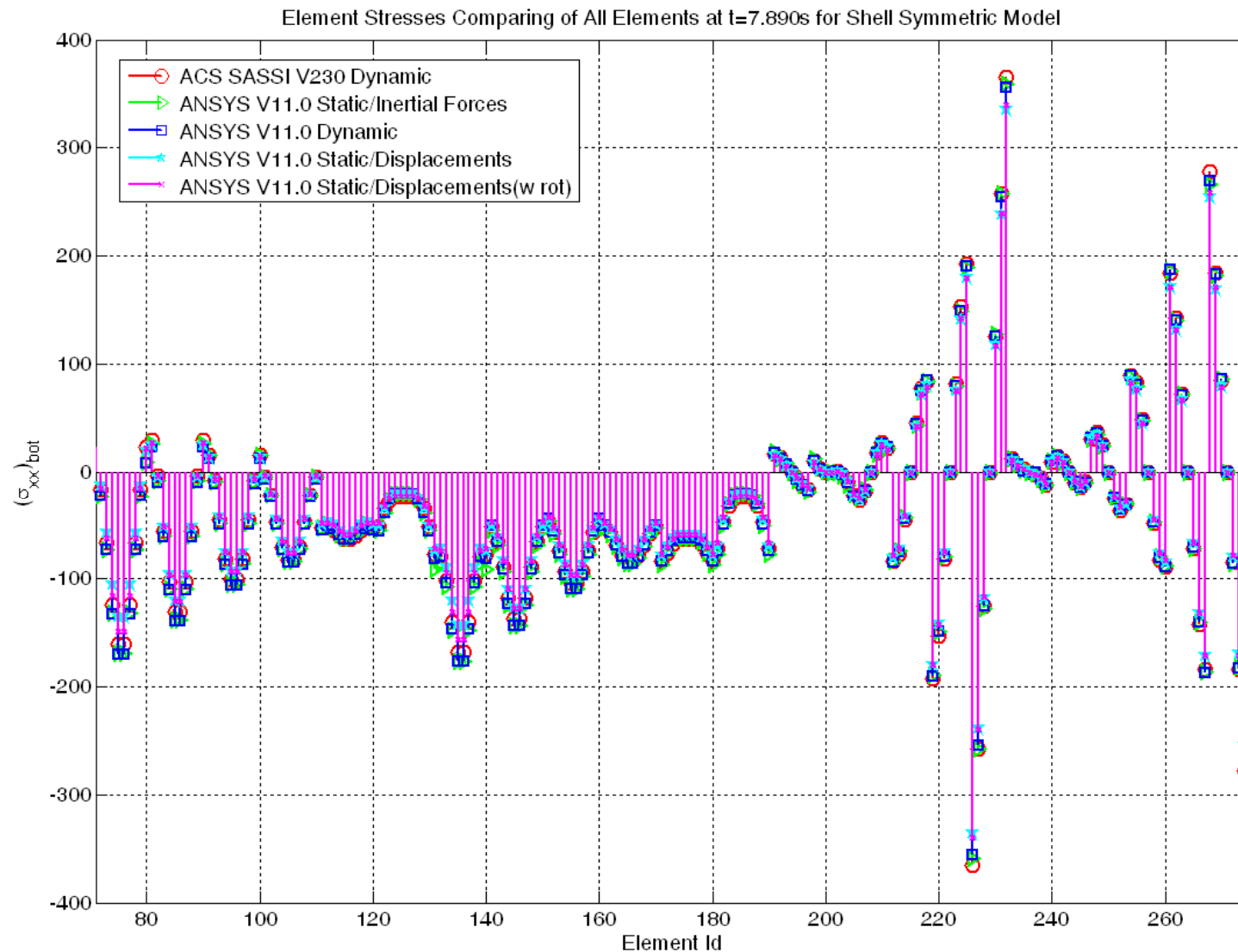
ANSYS Equivalent-Static vs. ACS SASSI – Fixed Base Model



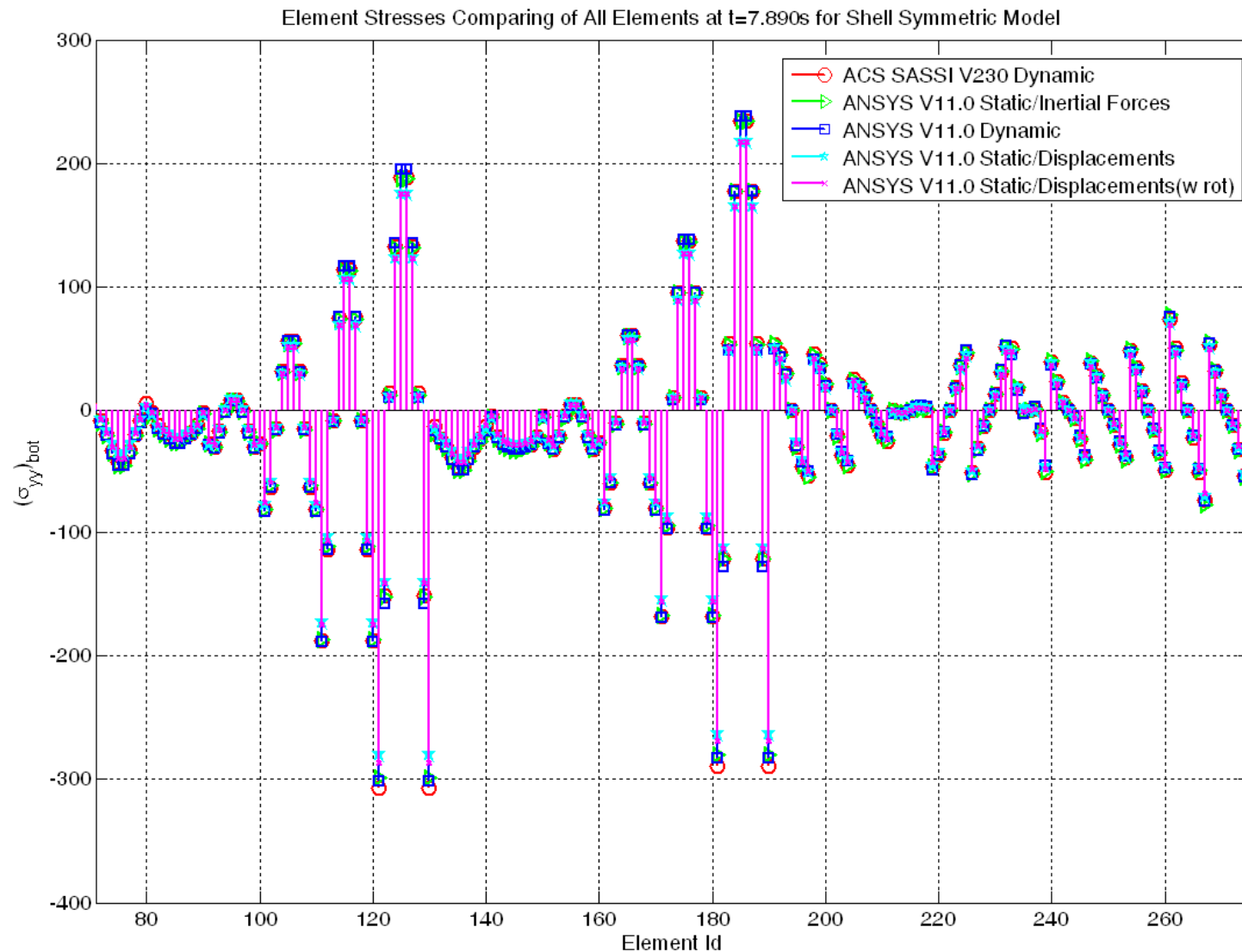
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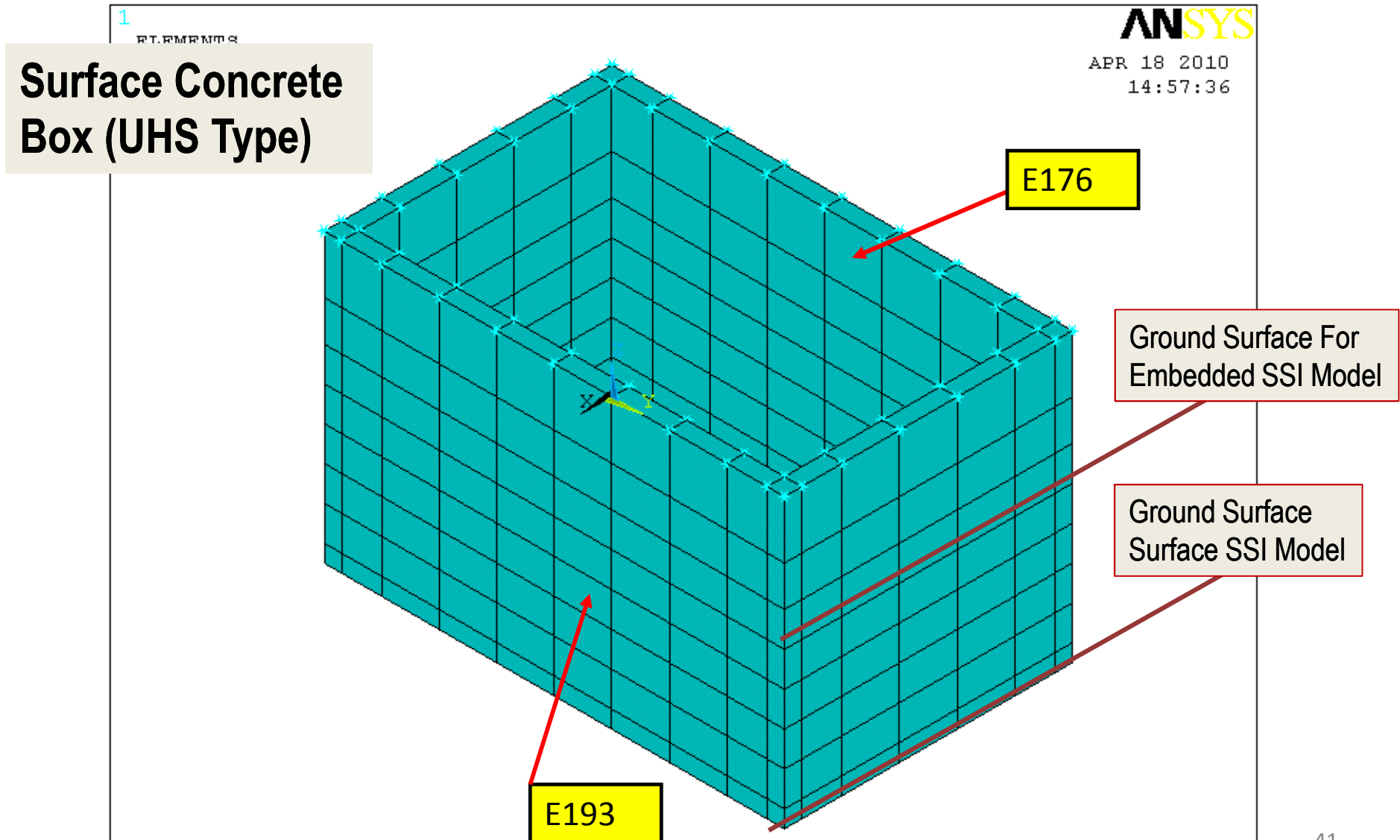
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ANSYS Equivalent-Static vs. ACS SASSI – Fixed Base Model



ACS SASSI-ANSYS Equivalent-Static SSI Stress Analysis for Surface and Embedded Structure



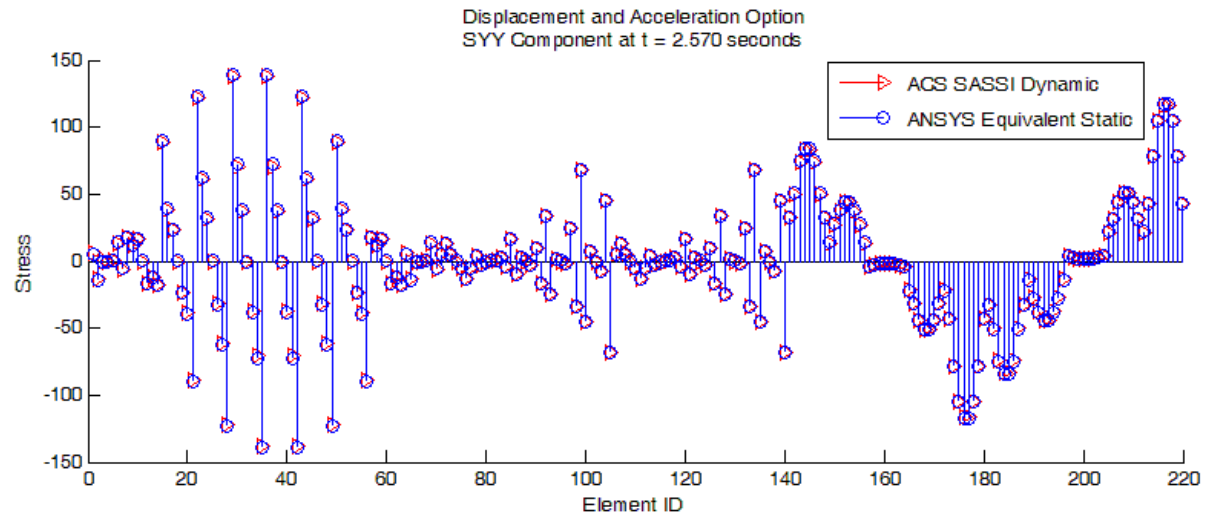
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SSI Analysis

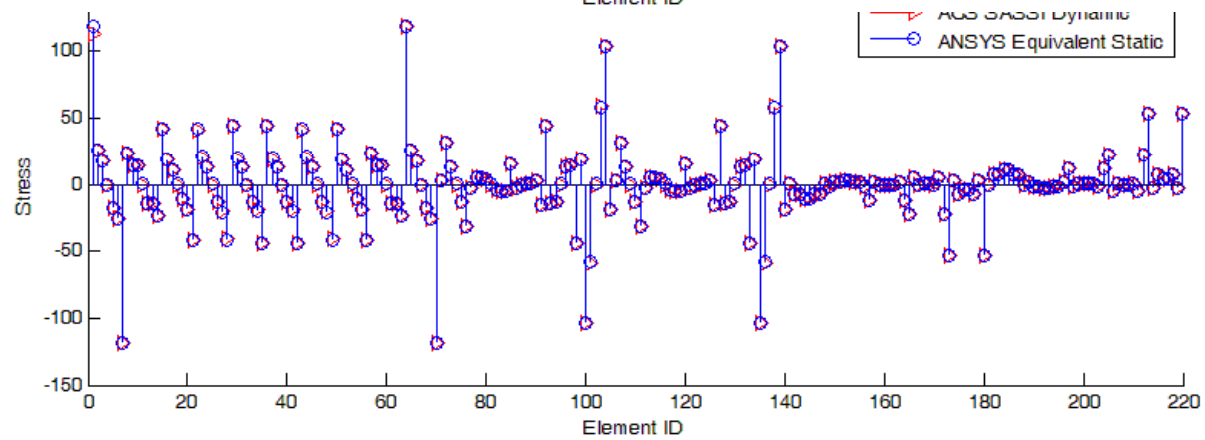
**Surface Concrete Box
SOLID Elements**

Soil $V_s=1000\text{fps}$

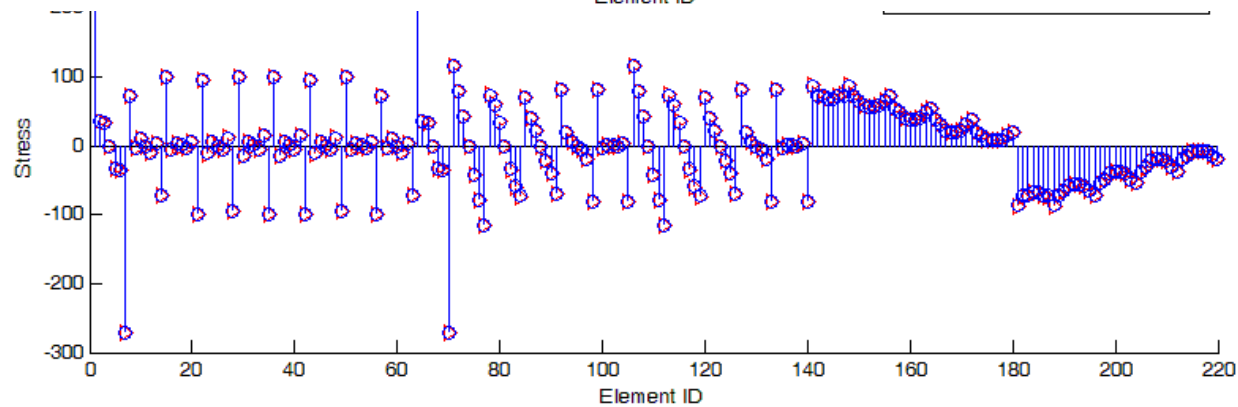
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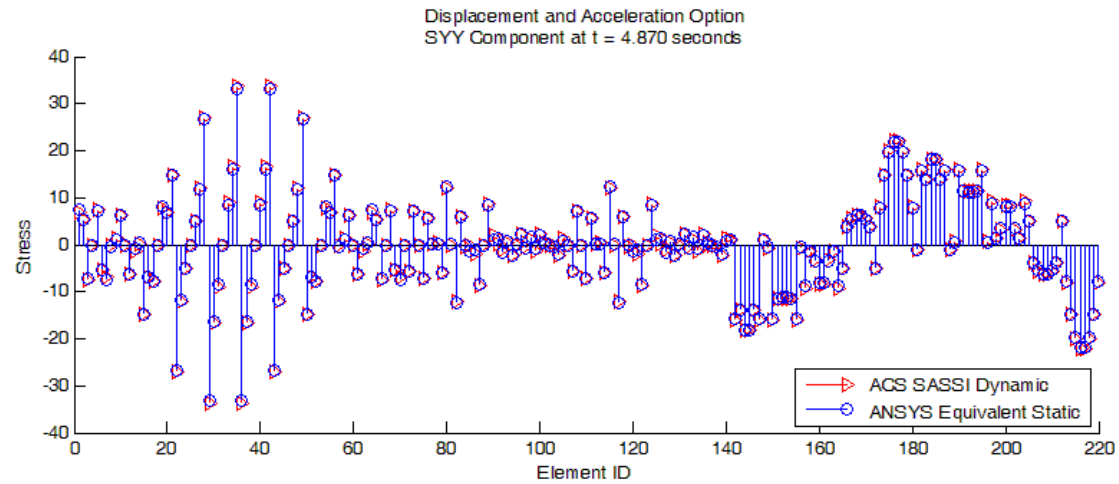
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SSI Analysis

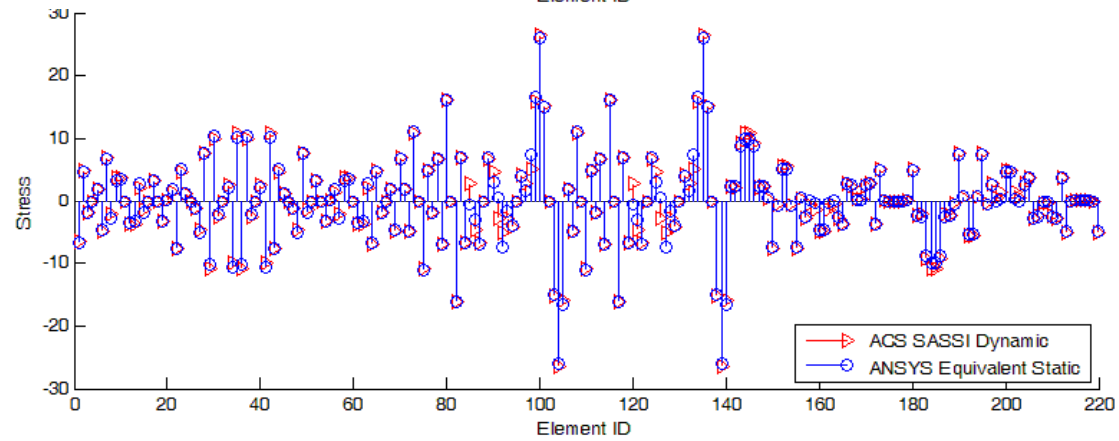
**Deeply Embedded Concrete Box
SOLID Elements**

Soil $V_s=1,000$ fps

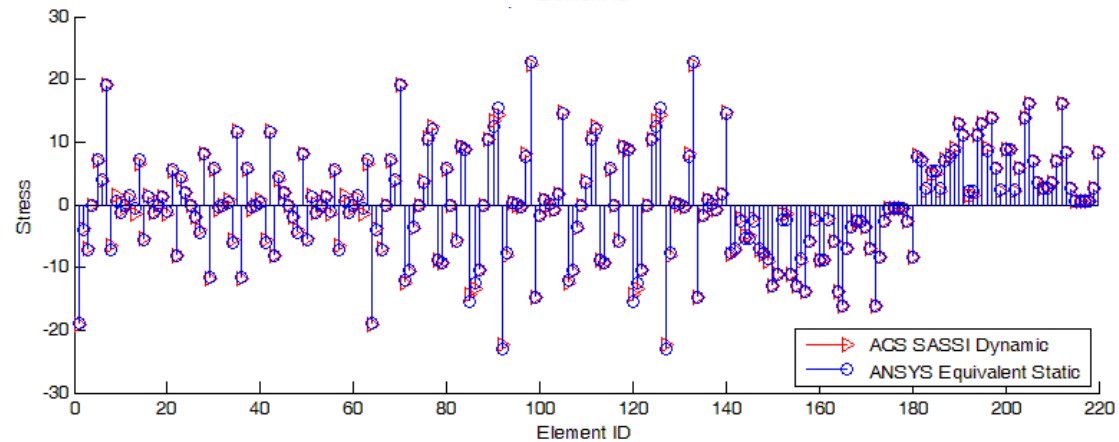
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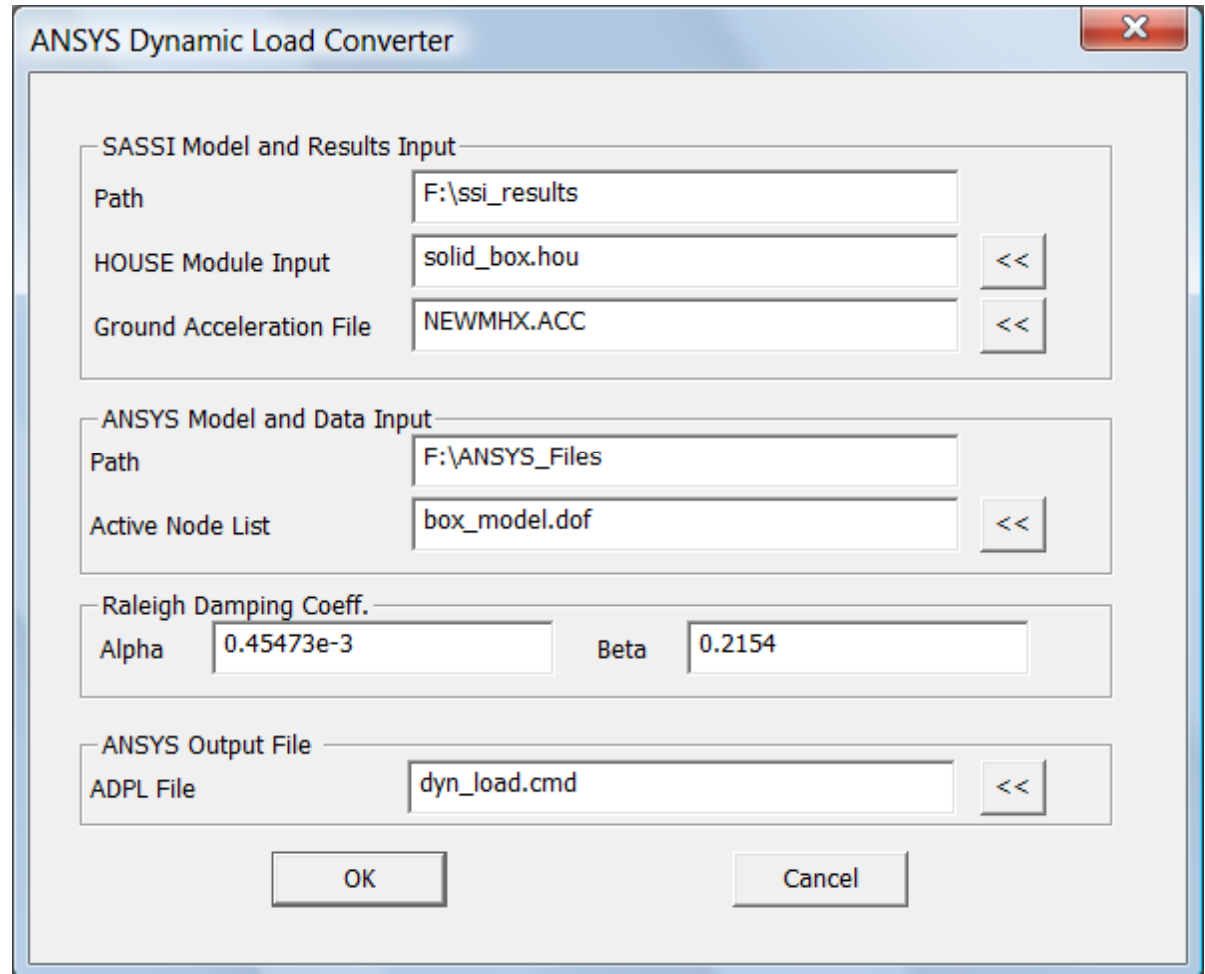


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ANSYS Dynamic Load Generation from ACS SASSI Frames

- From ACS SASSI-MAIN select “ANSYS Dynamic Load” from the Run menu
- Fill in the appropriate boxes as described in the documentation
- ANSYS APDL input files are created containing the load data are created when the user clicks “OK”

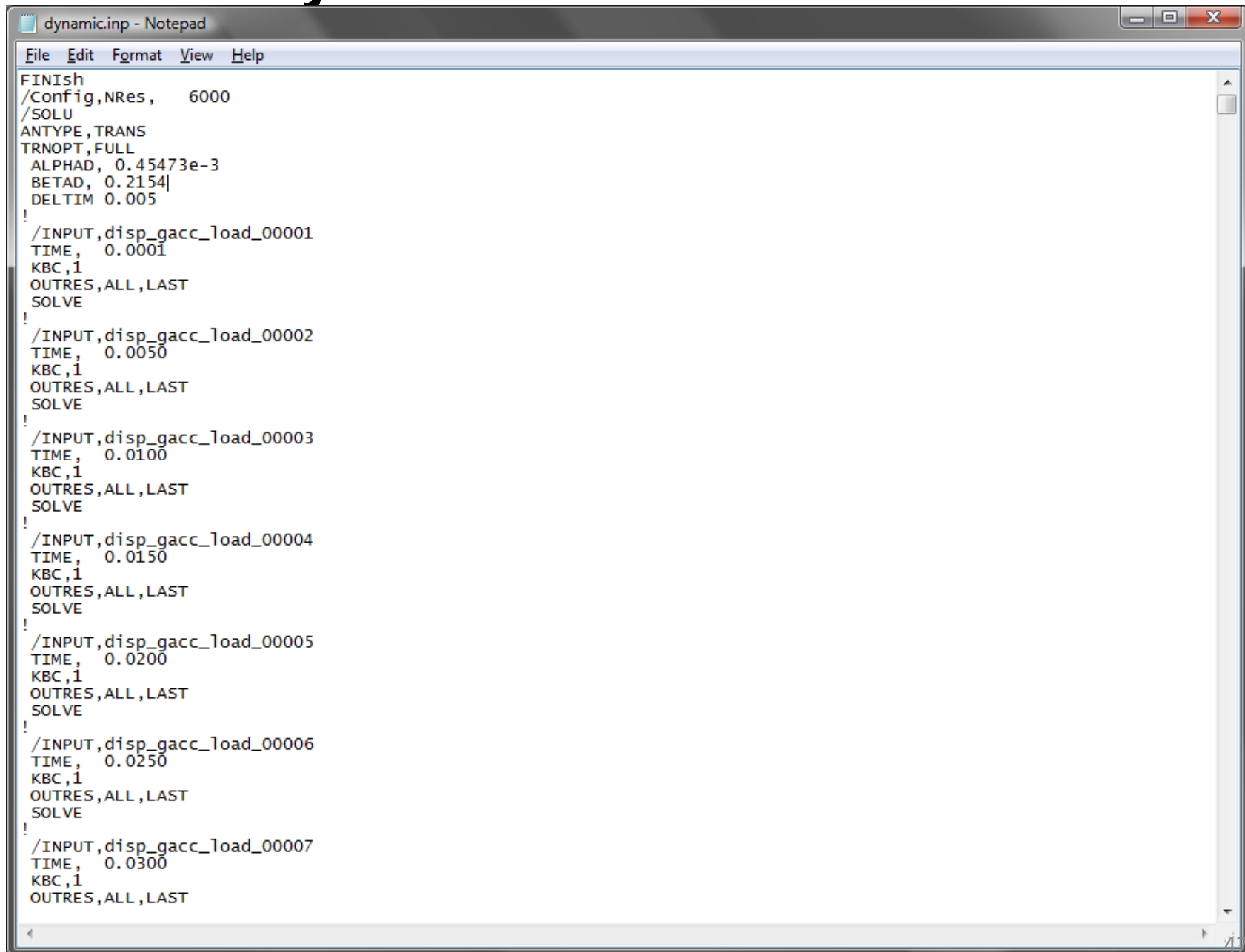


The screenshot shows the "ANSYS Dynamic Load Converter" dialog box. It contains several input fields and buttons:

- SASSI Model and Results Input:**
 - Path: F:\ssi_results
 - HOUSE Module Input: solid_box.hou (with a << button)
 - Ground Acceleration File: NEWMHX.ACC (with a << button)
- ANSYS Model and Data Input:**
 - Path: F:\ANSYS_Files
 - Active Node List: box_model.dof (with a << button)
- Raleigh Damping Coeff.:**
 - Alpha: 0.45473e-3
 - Beta: 0.2154
- ANSYS Output File:**
 - ADPL File: dyn_load.cmd (with a << button)

At the bottom, there are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

ANSYS Dynamic Load APDL File Created



```
dynamic.inp - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
FINISH
/Config,NRes, 6000
/SOLU
ANTYPE,TRANS
TRNOPT,FULL
ALPHAD, 0.45473e-3
BETAD, 0.2154
DELTIM 0.005
!
/INPUT,disp_gacc_load_00001
TIME, 0.0001
KBC,1
OUTRES,ALL, LAST
SOLVE
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SOLVE
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OUTRES,ALL, LAST
SOLVE
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OUTRES,ALL, LAST
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OUTRES,ALL, LAST
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ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI

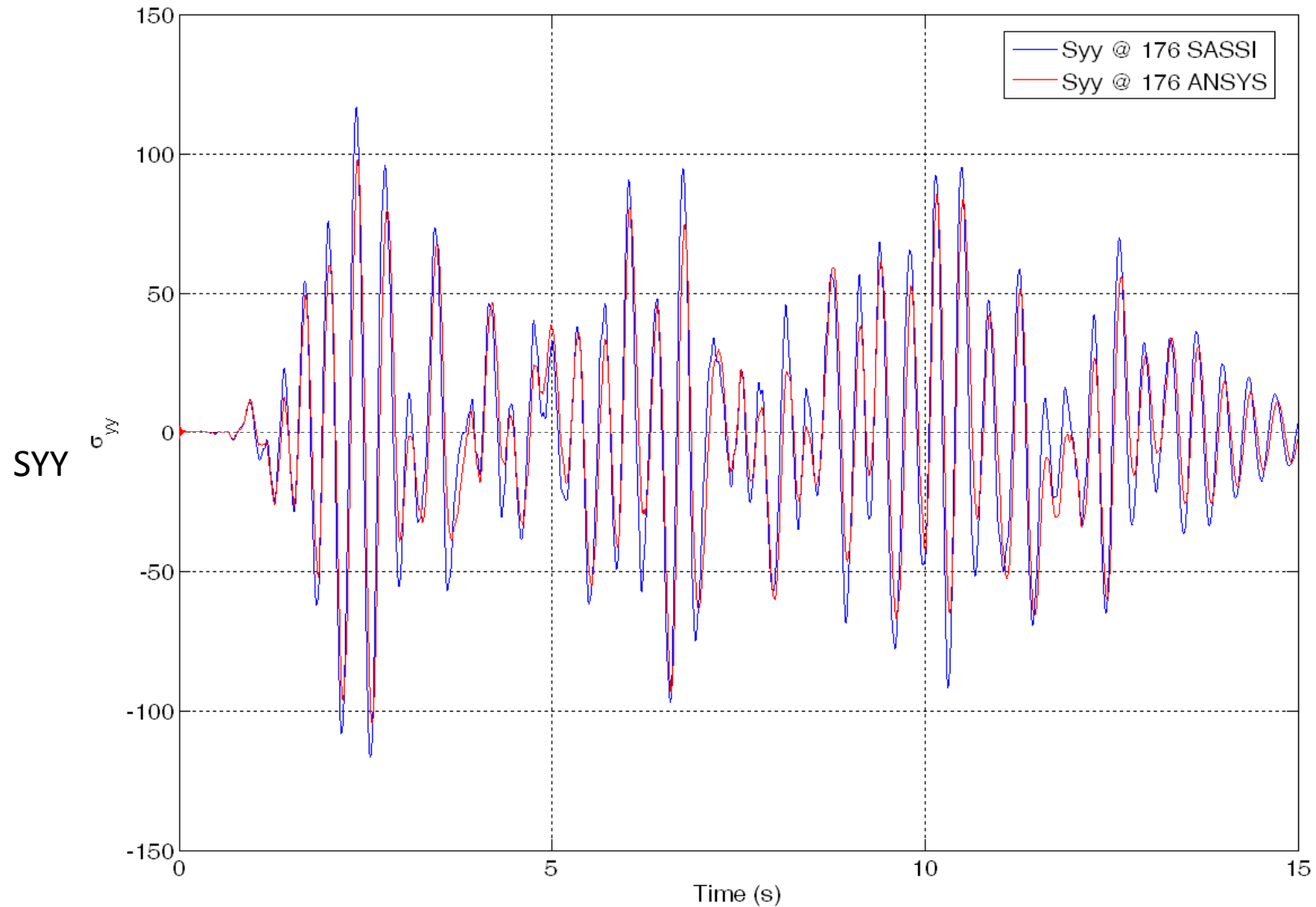
SSI Analysis

Surface Concrete Box
SOLID Elements
Soil $V_s=1,000$ fps

Seismic Loading for ANSYS:
Ground Acceleration Histories and Relative
Displacement Histories wrt Free-Field Surface Motion

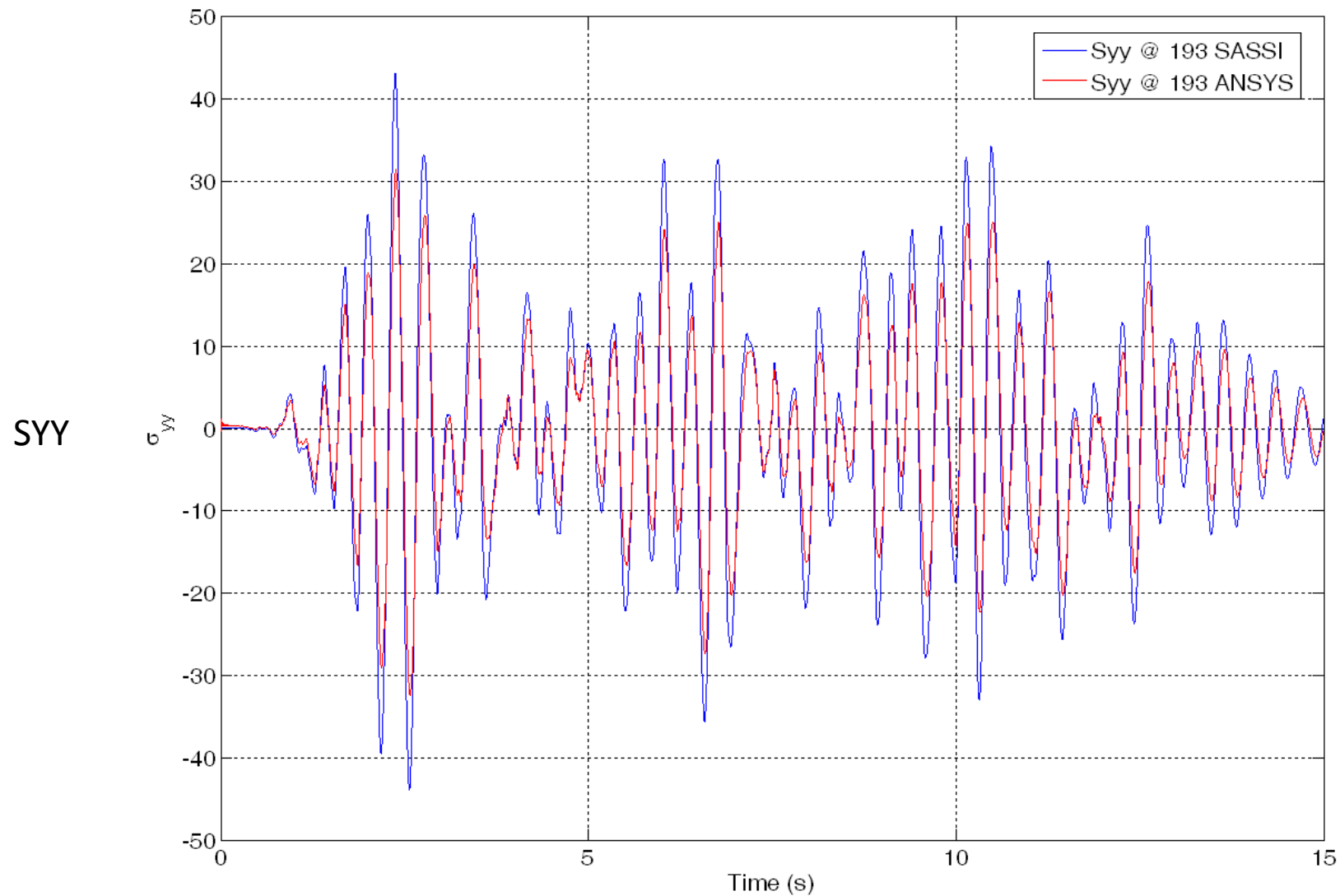
ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – Surface SSI Model

Above Ground Surface



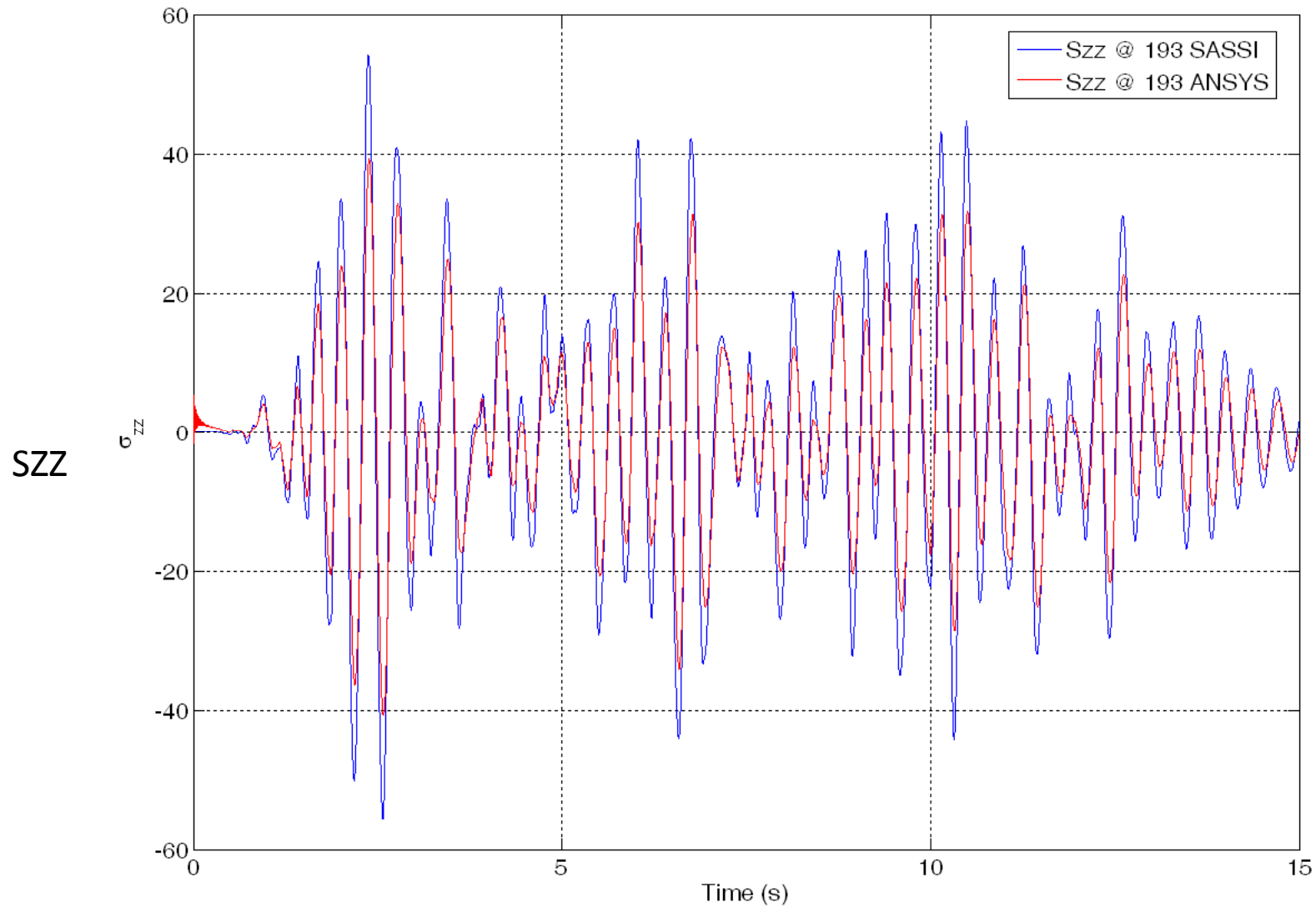
ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – for Surface SSI Model

Below Ground Surface



ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – for Surface SSI Model

Below Ground Surface



ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI

SSI Analysis

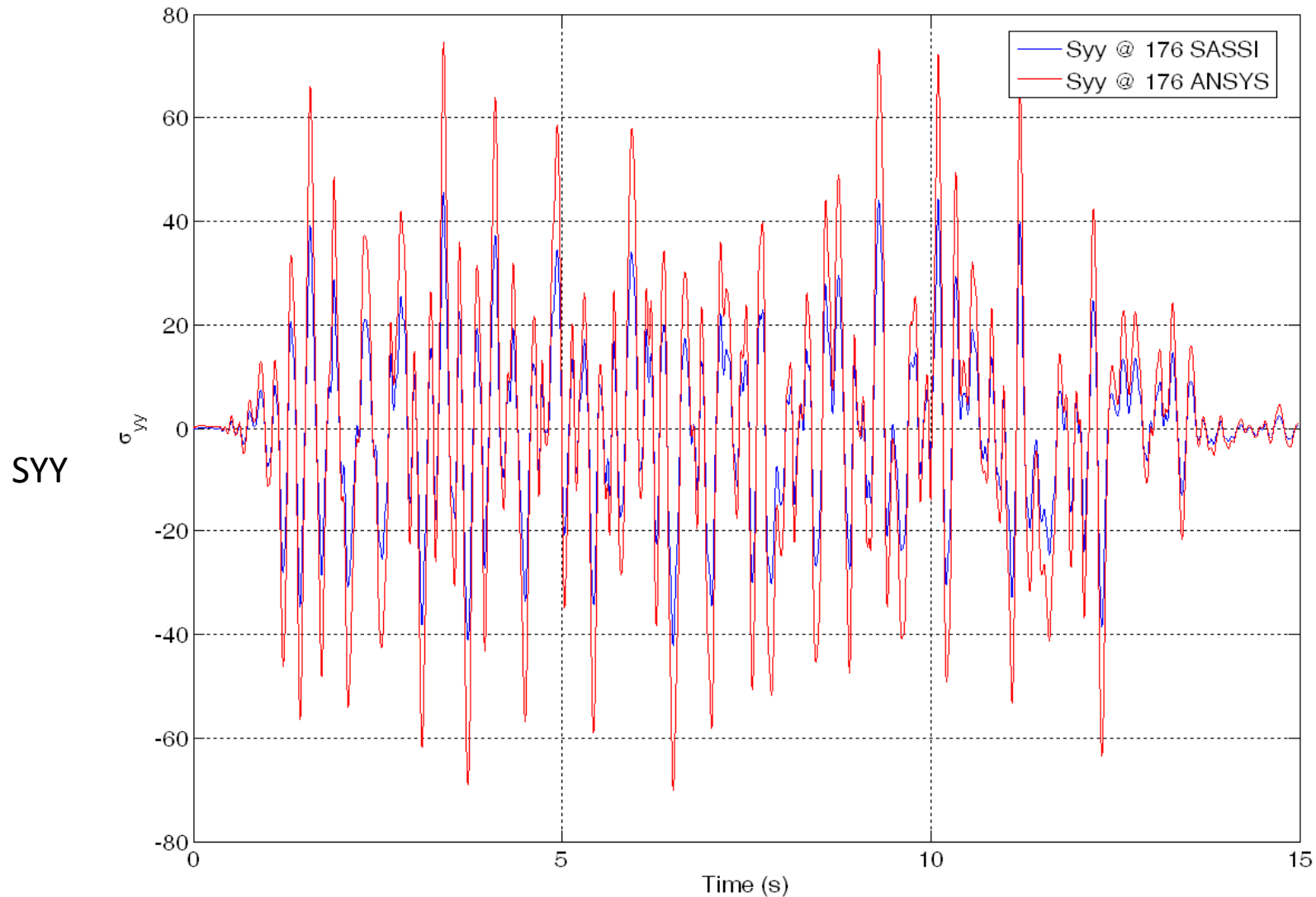
Deeply Embedded Concrete Box
SOLID Elements
Soil $V_s=1,000$ fps

Seismic Loading for ANSYS:
Ground Acceleration Histories and Relative
Displacement Histories wrt Free-Field Surface Option
(No kinematic SSI is included!)

ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – Deeply Embedded SSI Model

Above Ground Surface

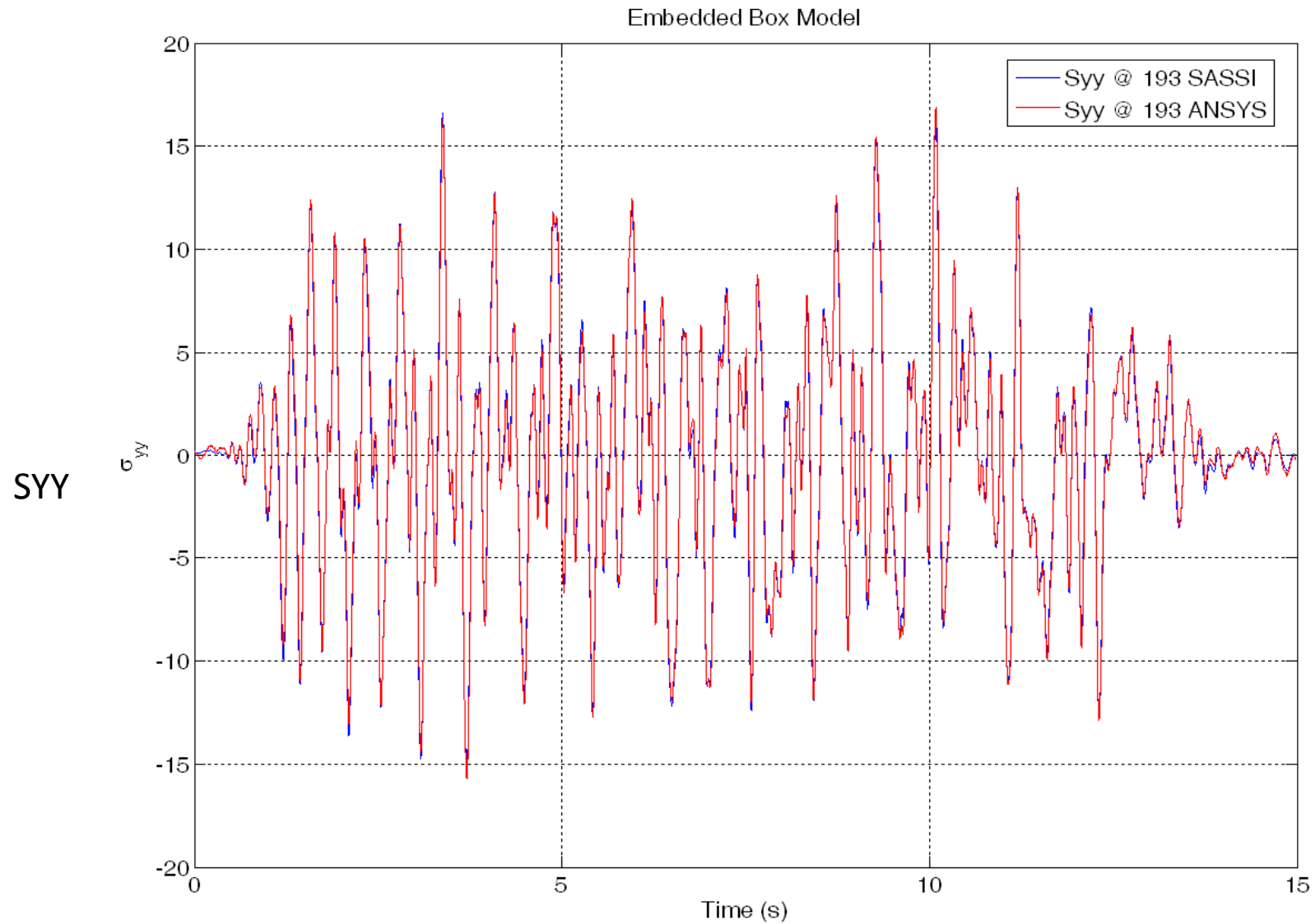
Embedded Box Model



NOTE: In this example ANSYS results does not include kinematic SSI effects on accelerations

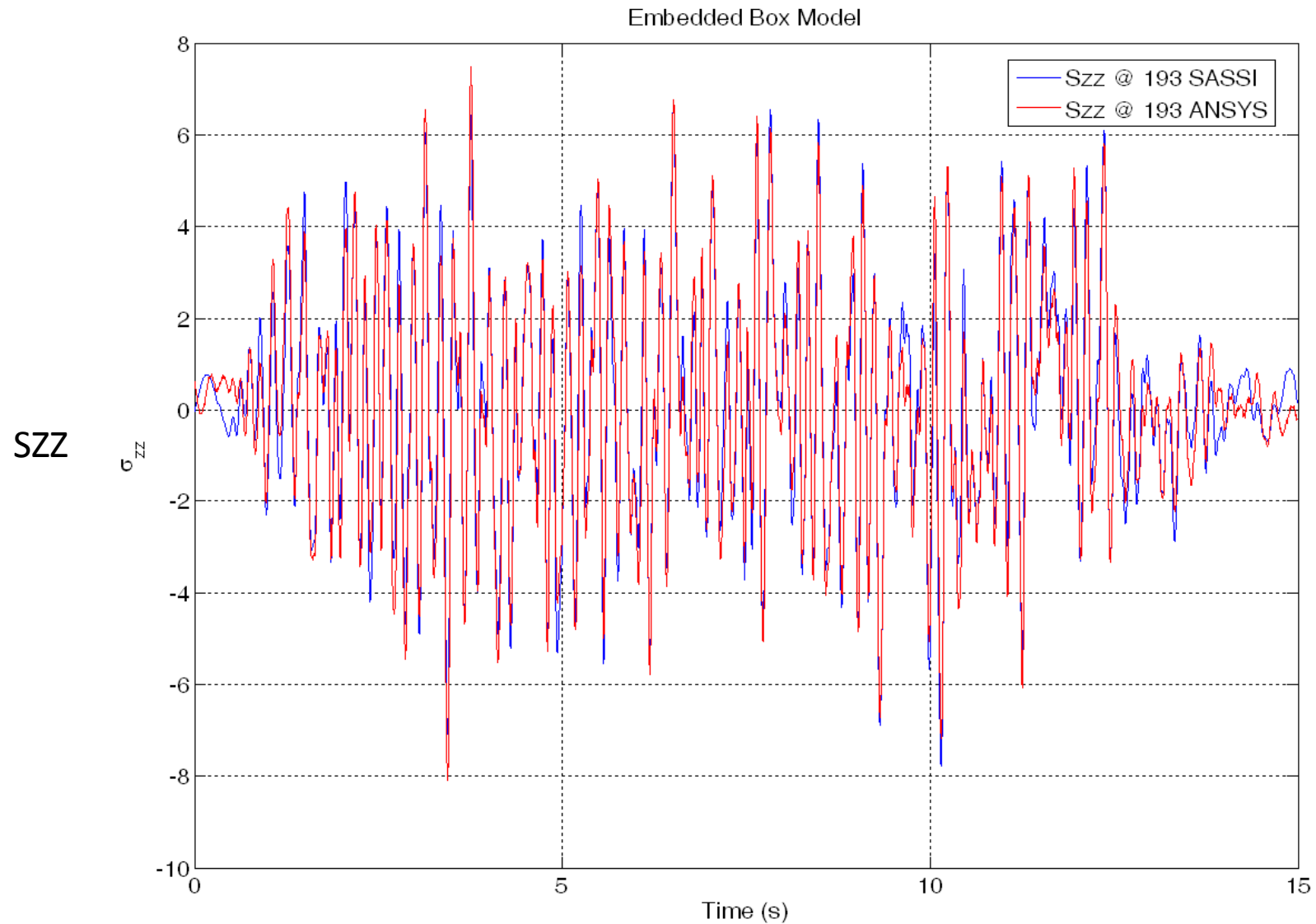
ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – Deeply Embedded SSI Model

Below Ground Surface



ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – Deeply Embedded SSI Model

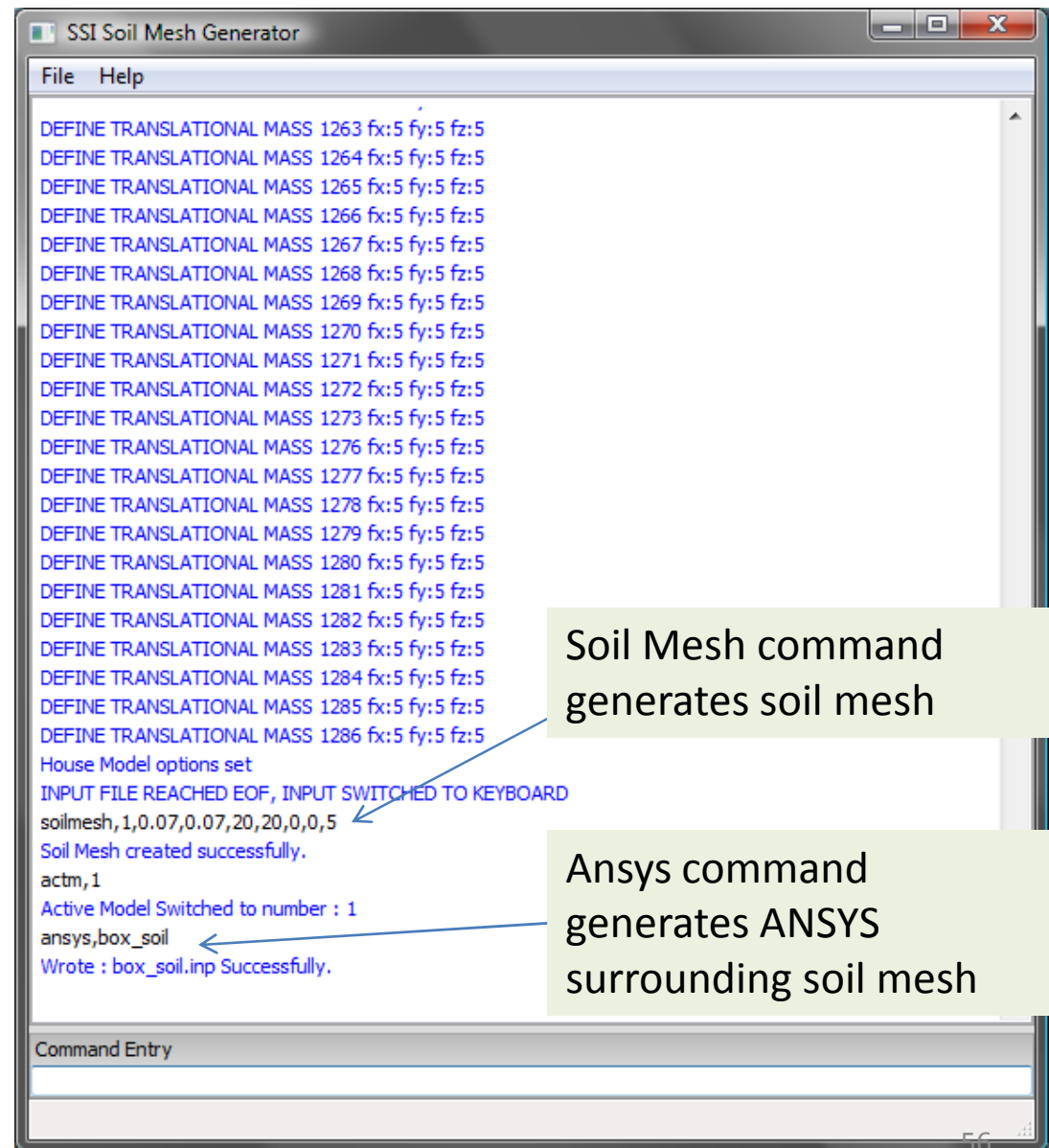
Below Ground Surface



New SOILMESH Module for Soil Pressure Computation

- Input .pre file with SSI model data
- Generates a soil FE model for soil pressure analysis using the “soilmesh” command
- Can export either structural or soil FE model to ANSYS APDL input file
- Computes seismic soil pressures produced using either
 - i) the foundation seismic forces pushing on surrounding soil, or
 - ii) the relative motion of the foundation wrt to the free-field soil motion.

Soil is assumed to be at rest. Soil stiffness is not frequency dependent. The new implementation produces “approximate” seismic soil pressures. Significant analysis improvement in comparison with the current practice.



The screenshot shows the 'SSI Soil Mesh Generator' window with a menu bar (File, Help) and a text area containing the following commands and output:

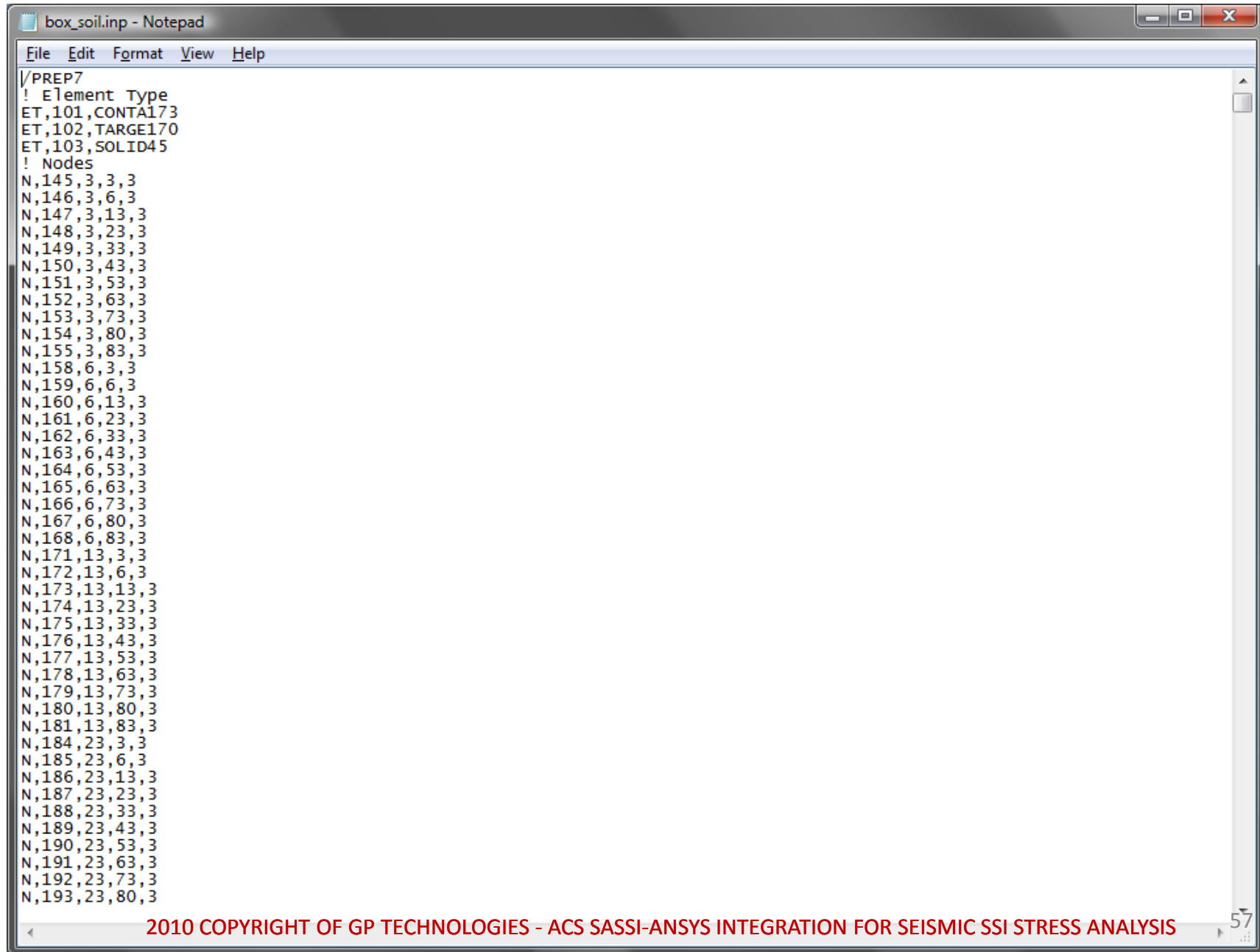
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DEFINE TRANSLATIONAL MASS 1263 fx:5 fy:5 fz:5
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DEFINE TRANSLATIONAL MASS 1284 fx:5 fy:5 fz:5
DEFINE TRANSLATIONAL MASS 1285 fx:5 fy:5 fz:5
DEFINE TRANSLATIONAL MASS 1286 fx:5 fy:5 fz:5
House Model options set
INPUT FILE REACHED EOF, INPUT SWITCHED TO KEYBOARD
soilmesh,1,0.07,0.07,20,20,0,0,5
Soil Mesh created successfully.
actm,1
Active Model Switched to number : 1
ansys,box_soil
Wrote : box_soil.inp Successfully.
```

Two callout boxes with arrows point to specific lines in the command list:

- A box labeled "Soil Mesh command generates soil mesh" points to the `soilmesh,1,0.07,0.07,20,20,0,0,5` command.
- A box labeled "Ansys command generates ANSYS surrounding soil mesh" points to the `ansys,box_soil` command.

At the bottom of the window is a "Command Entry" field.

Example of APDL file for Soil FE Model

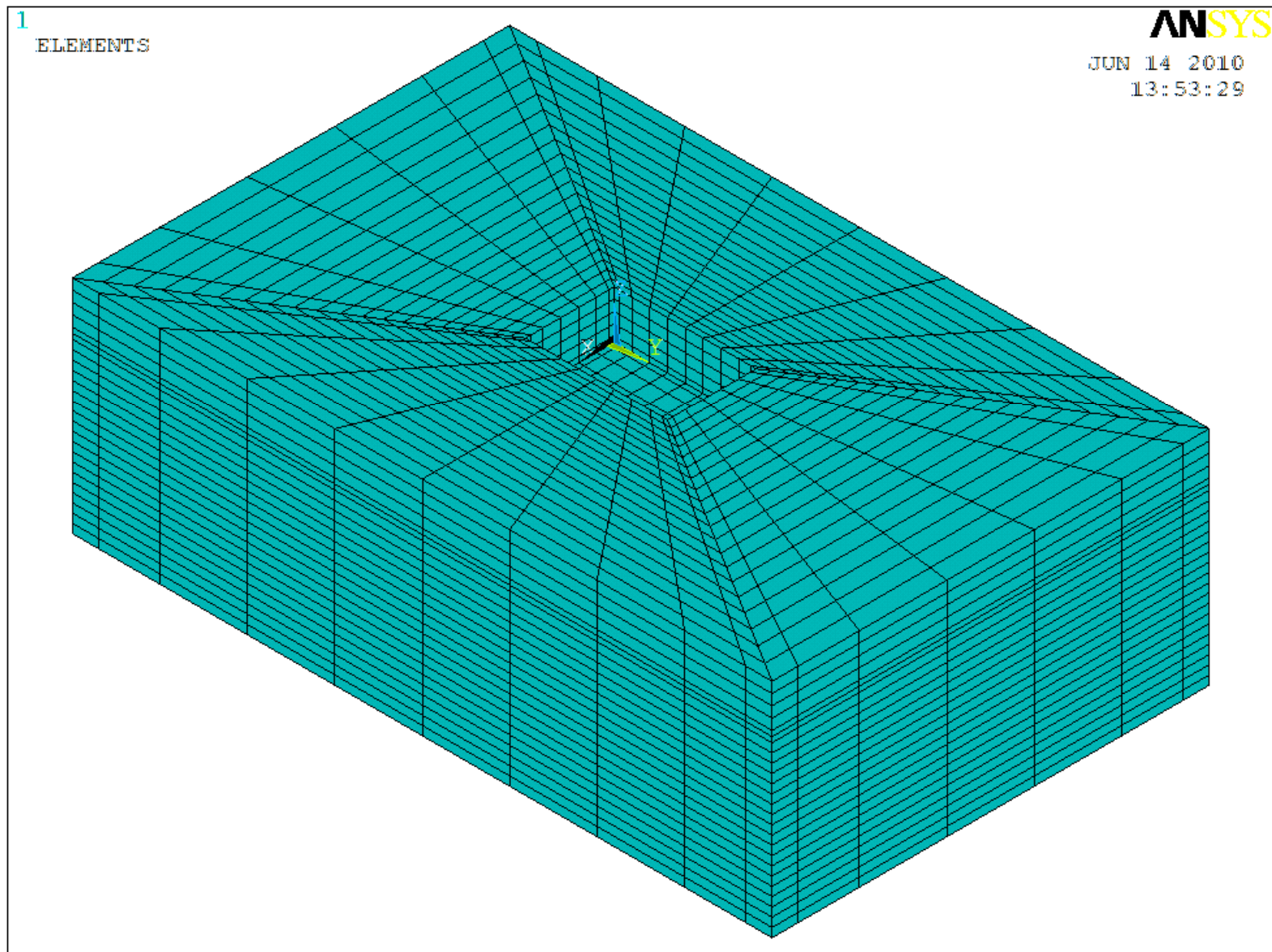


The image shows a Notepad window titled "box_soil.inp - Notepad". The window contains an APDL file for a soil FE model. The file starts with a comment line "/PREP7" followed by three element type definitions: "ET,101,CONTA173", "ET,102,TARGE170", and "ET,103,SOLID45". This is followed by a comment line "! Nodes" and a list of 36 node definitions, each in the format "N,node_id,x,y,z". The nodes are defined in a grid-like pattern with x-coordinates ranging from 145 to 193 and y and z coordinates of 3, 6, 13, 23, 33, 43, 53, 63, 73, 80, and 83. The window has a standard menu bar with "File", "Edit", "Format", "View", and "Help". The status bar at the bottom of the window displays "2010 COPYRIGHT OF GP TECHNOLOGIES - ACS SASSI-ANSYS INTEGRATION FOR SEISMIC SSI STRESS ANALYSIS" and a page number "57".

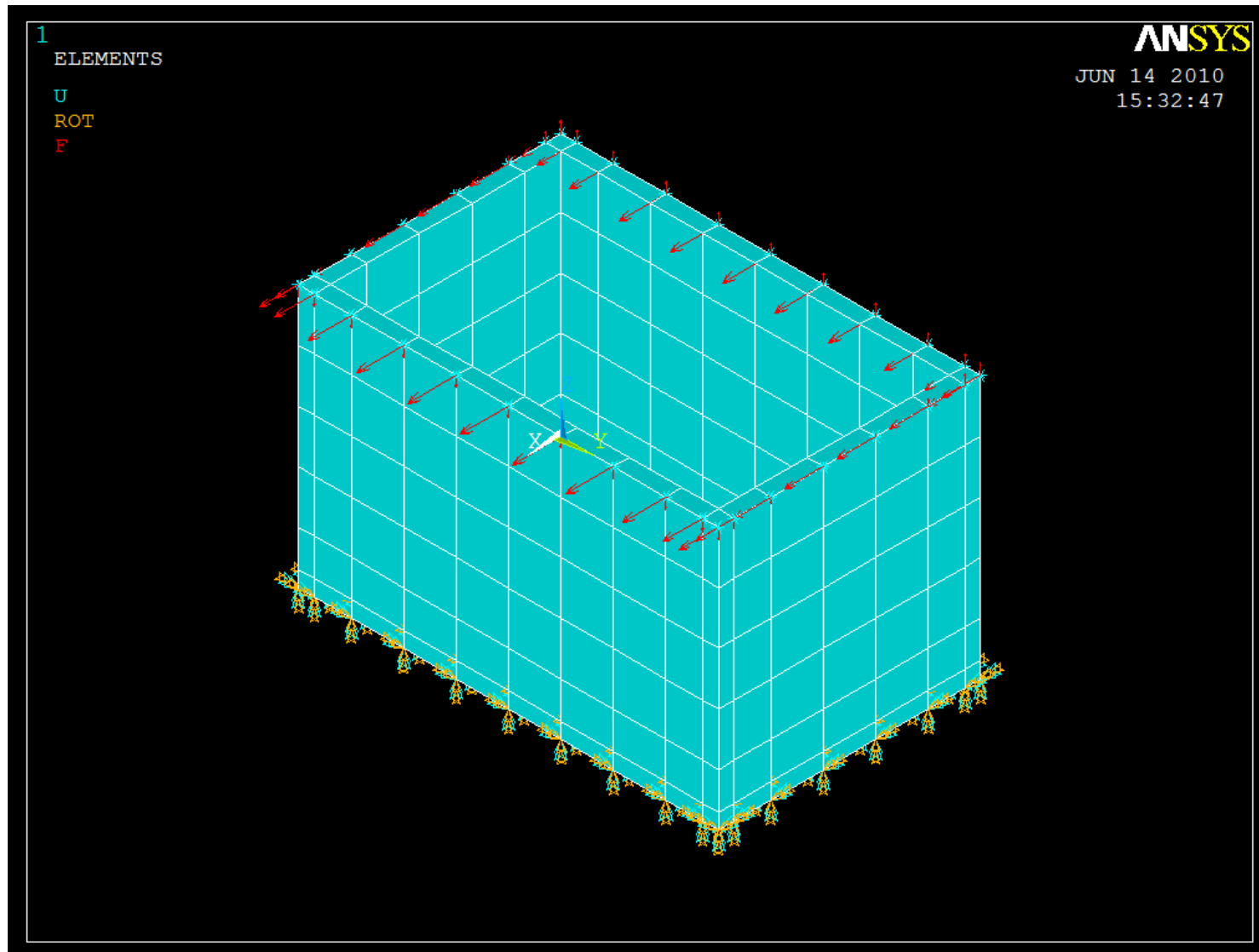
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box_soil.inp - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
/PREP7
! Element Type
ET,101,CONTA173
ET,102,TARGE170
ET,103,SOLID45
! Nodes
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N,146,3,6,3
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N,148,3,23,3
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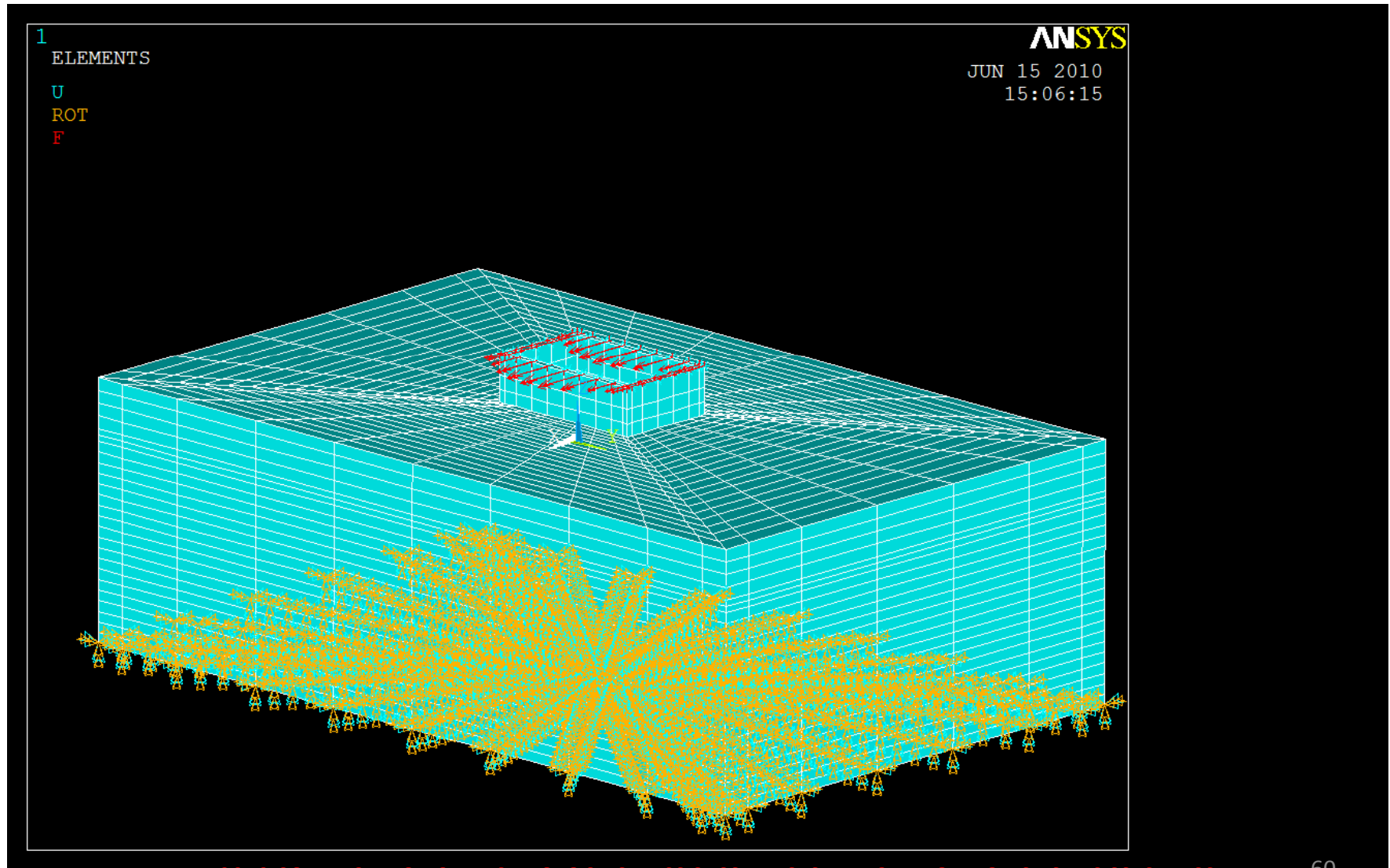
Example of Soil FE model Created Automatically by New SOILMESH Module for A Box Structural Model



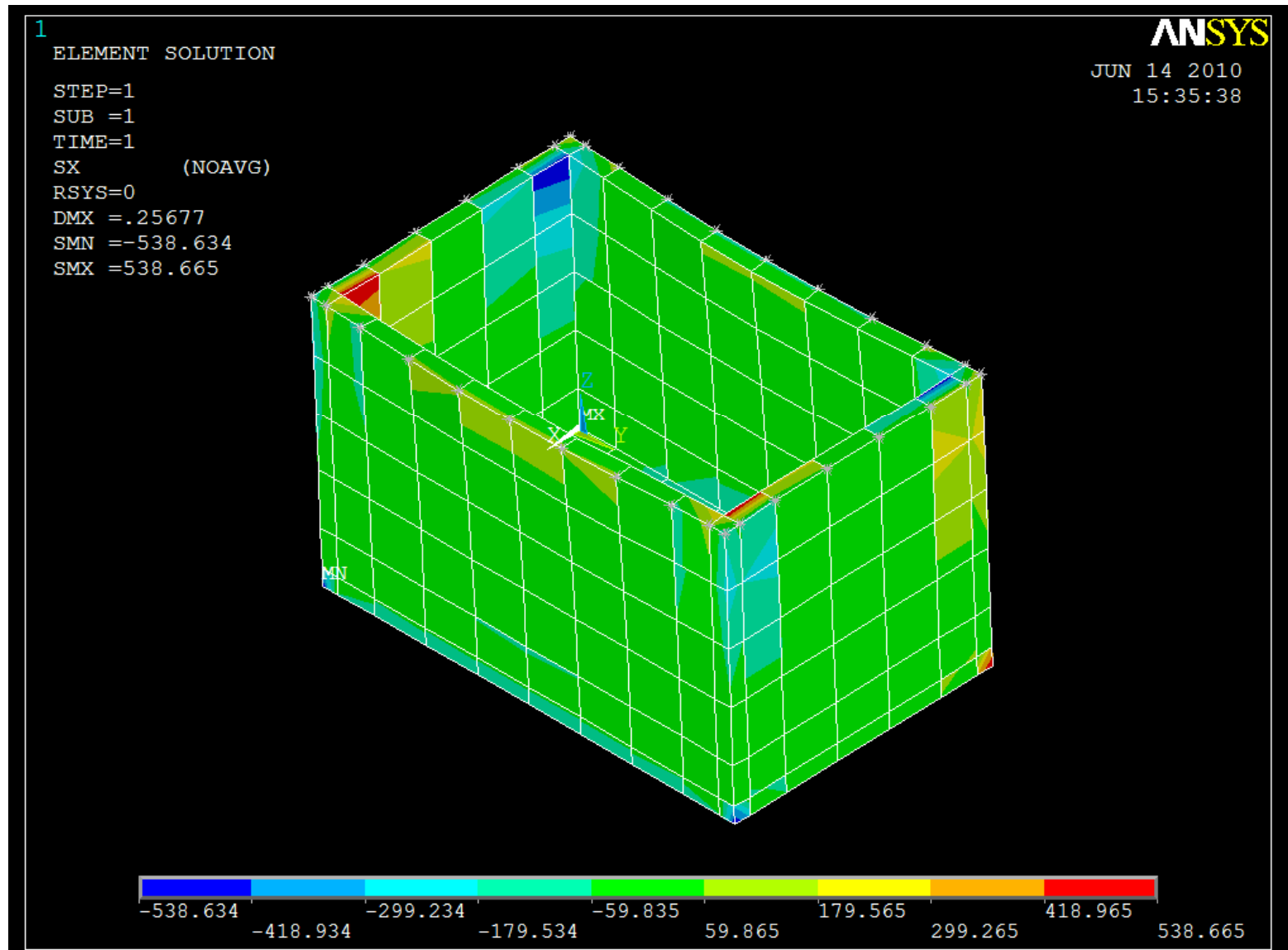
Concrete Box Structural Model (UHS Type)



Equivalent-Static Stress Analysis for Structure-Soil System Model (Generated by SOILMESH)



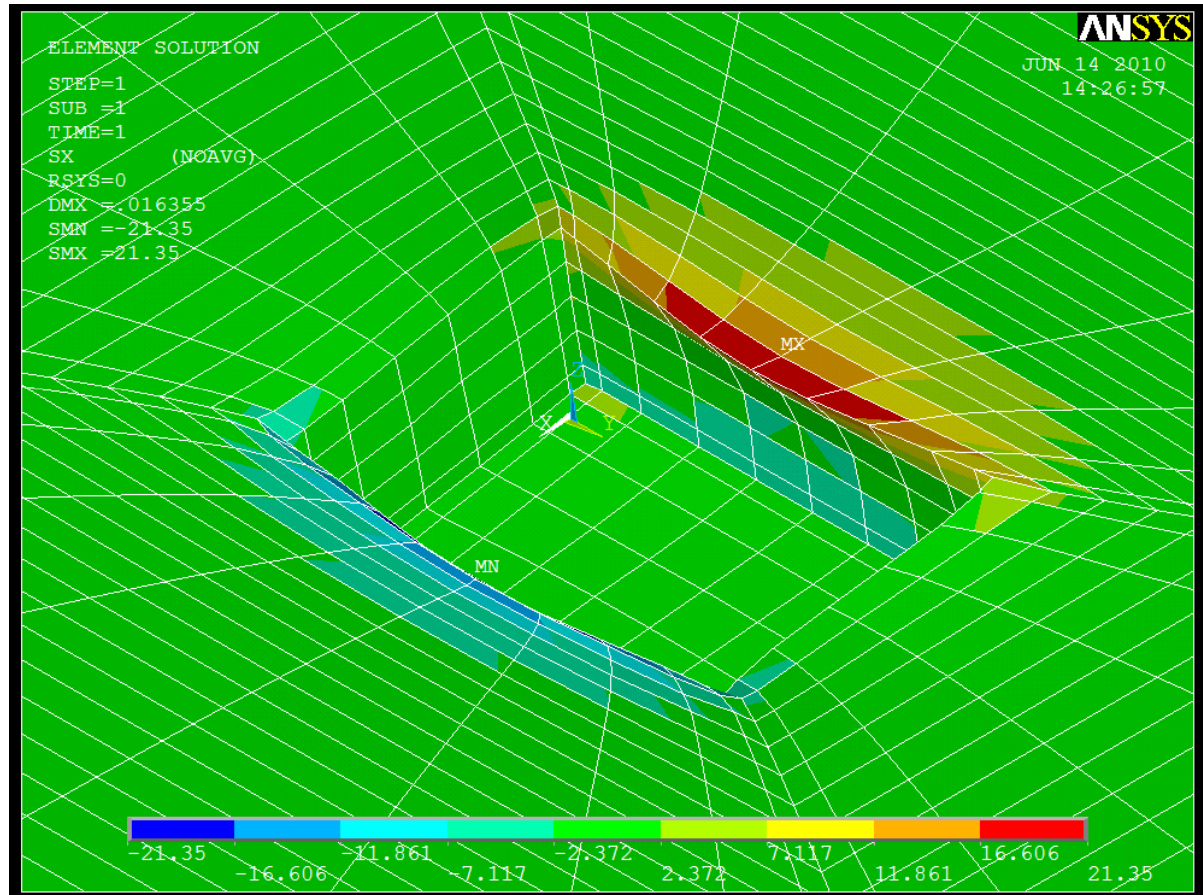
Computed Structural Displacements



Linear Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis

LINEAR (WELDED)

- This option provides for a basic soil pressure analysis assuming there is no separation possible between the structure and the soil
- Displacements from the interaction nodes of the structure are applied directly to the soil FE model. The structural FE model is not required for this case

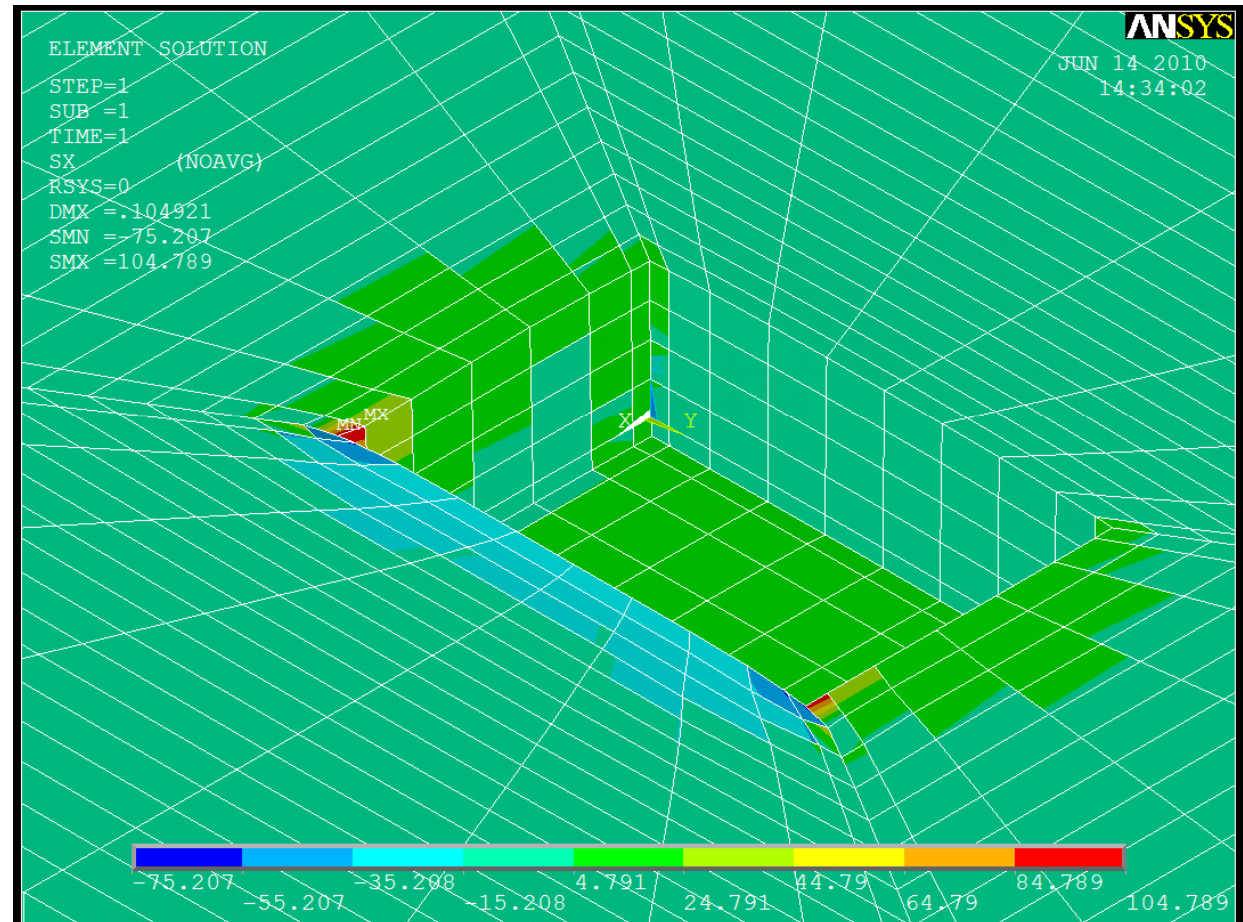


Nonlinear Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis

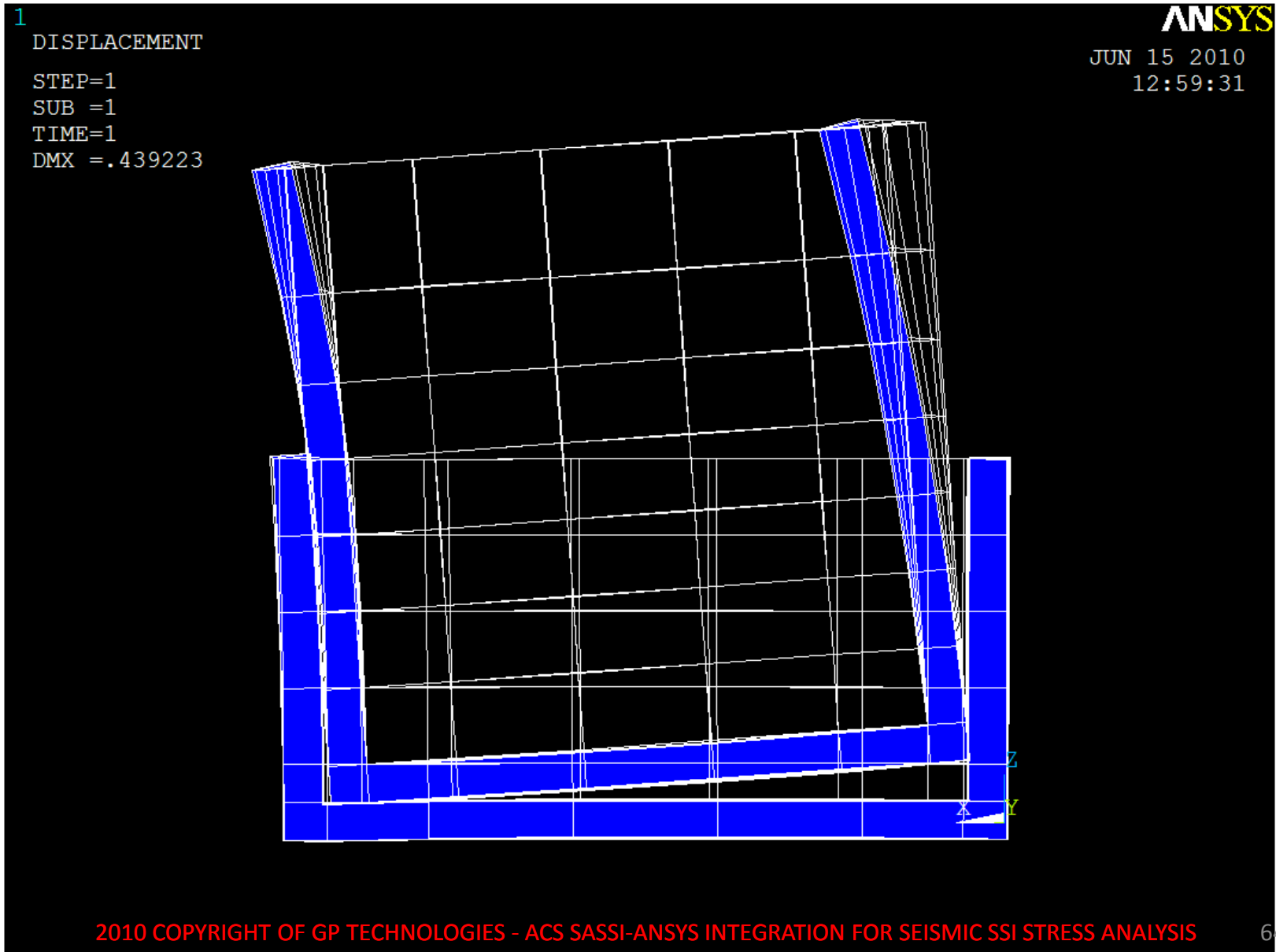
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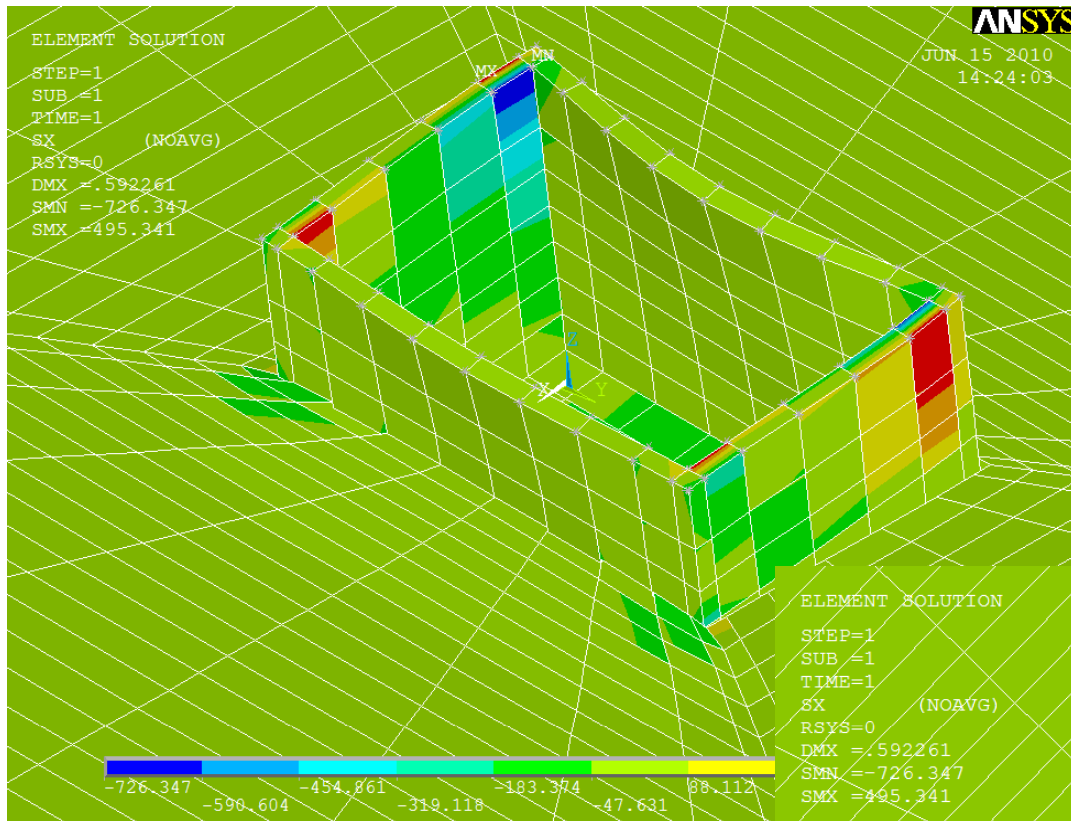
(FOUNDATION SEPARATION)

- This option allows for the structure to separate from the soil using surface to surface contact elements in ANSYS
- Both the structural elements and the soil elements are required. Both APDL files written from SOILMESH must be loaded into ANSYS.
- Inertial Force should be applied to the structure.
- Contact and target surfaces are included in the soil FE model



Nonlinear Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis

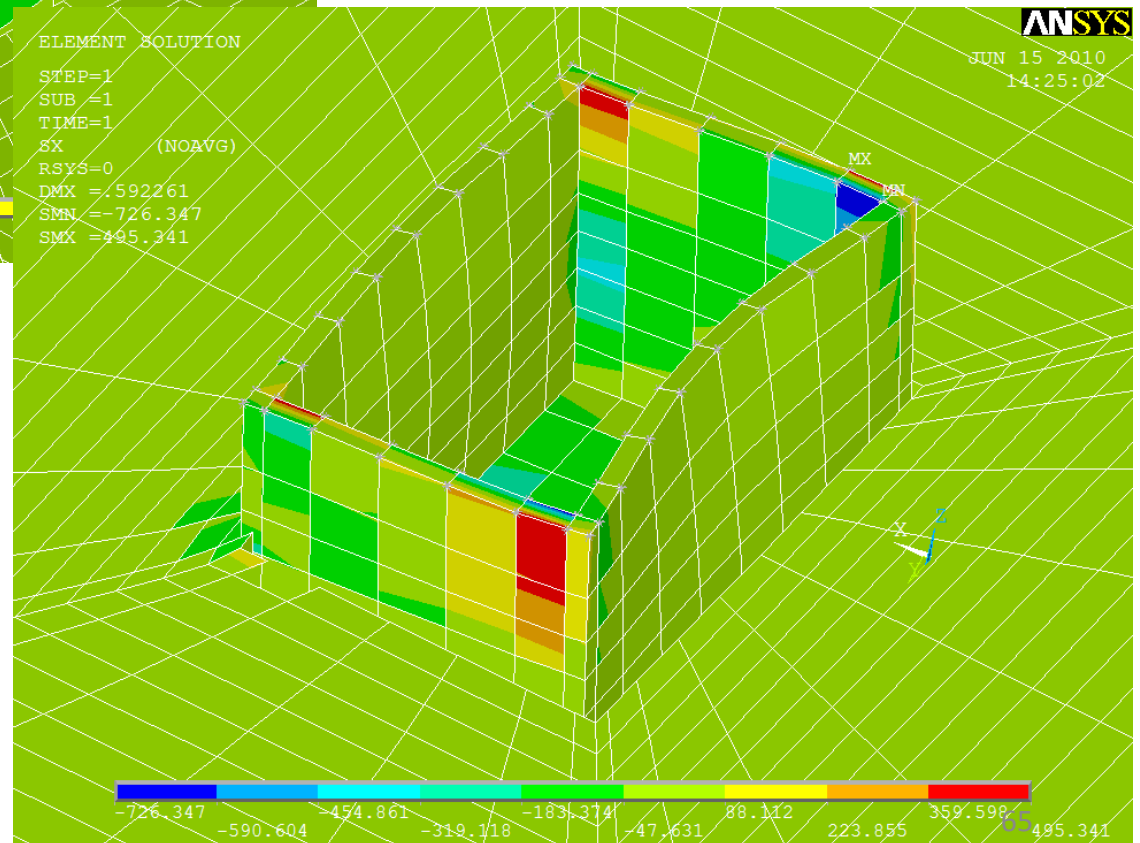


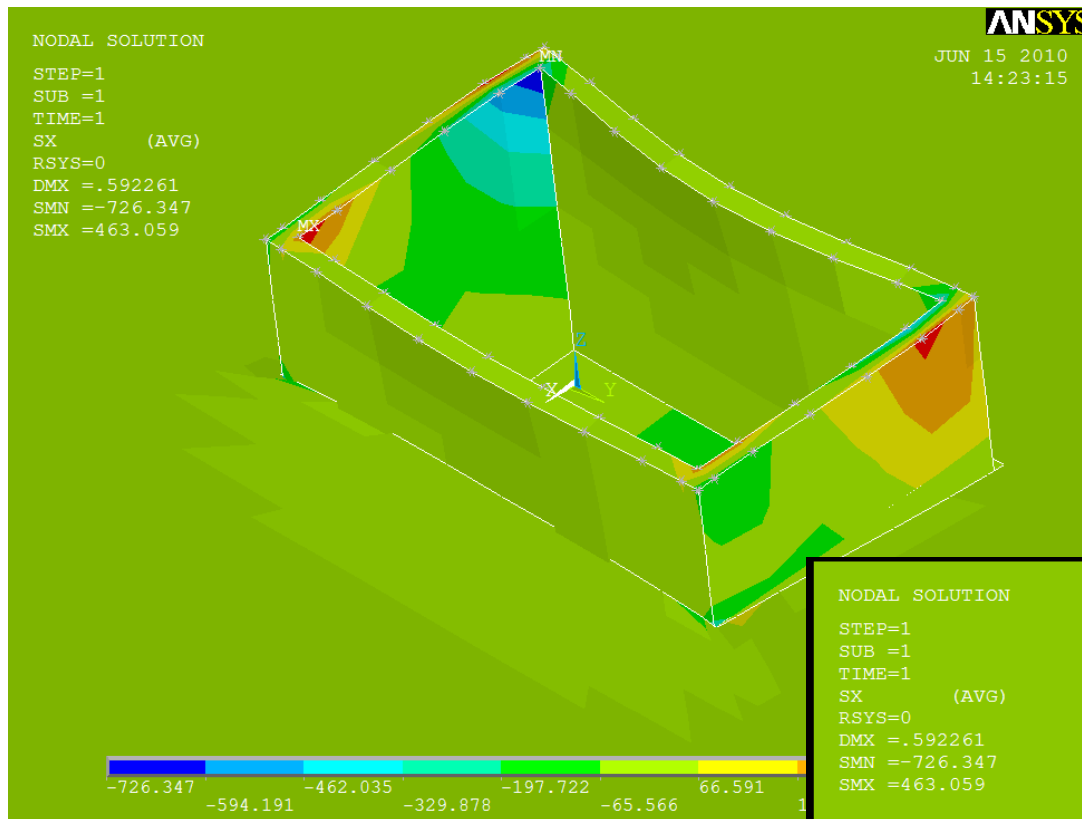


Element Stresses Von Misses

← Compression Side View

Tension Side View →

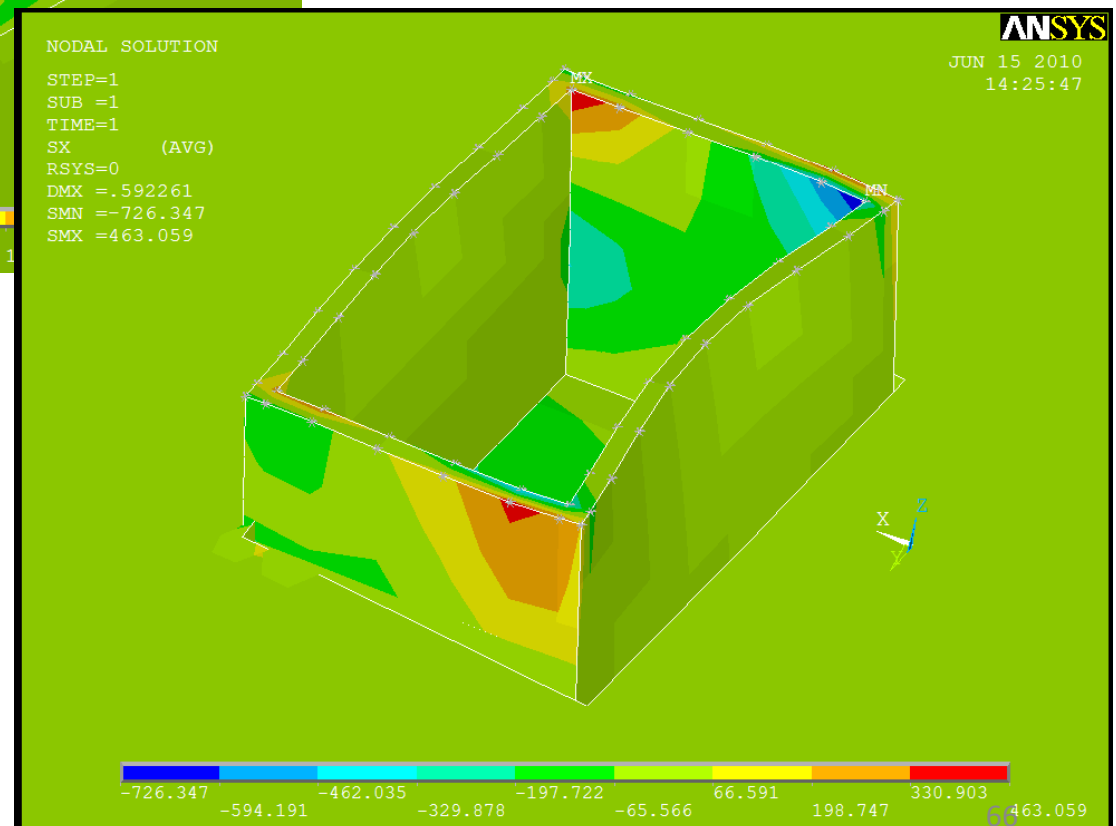




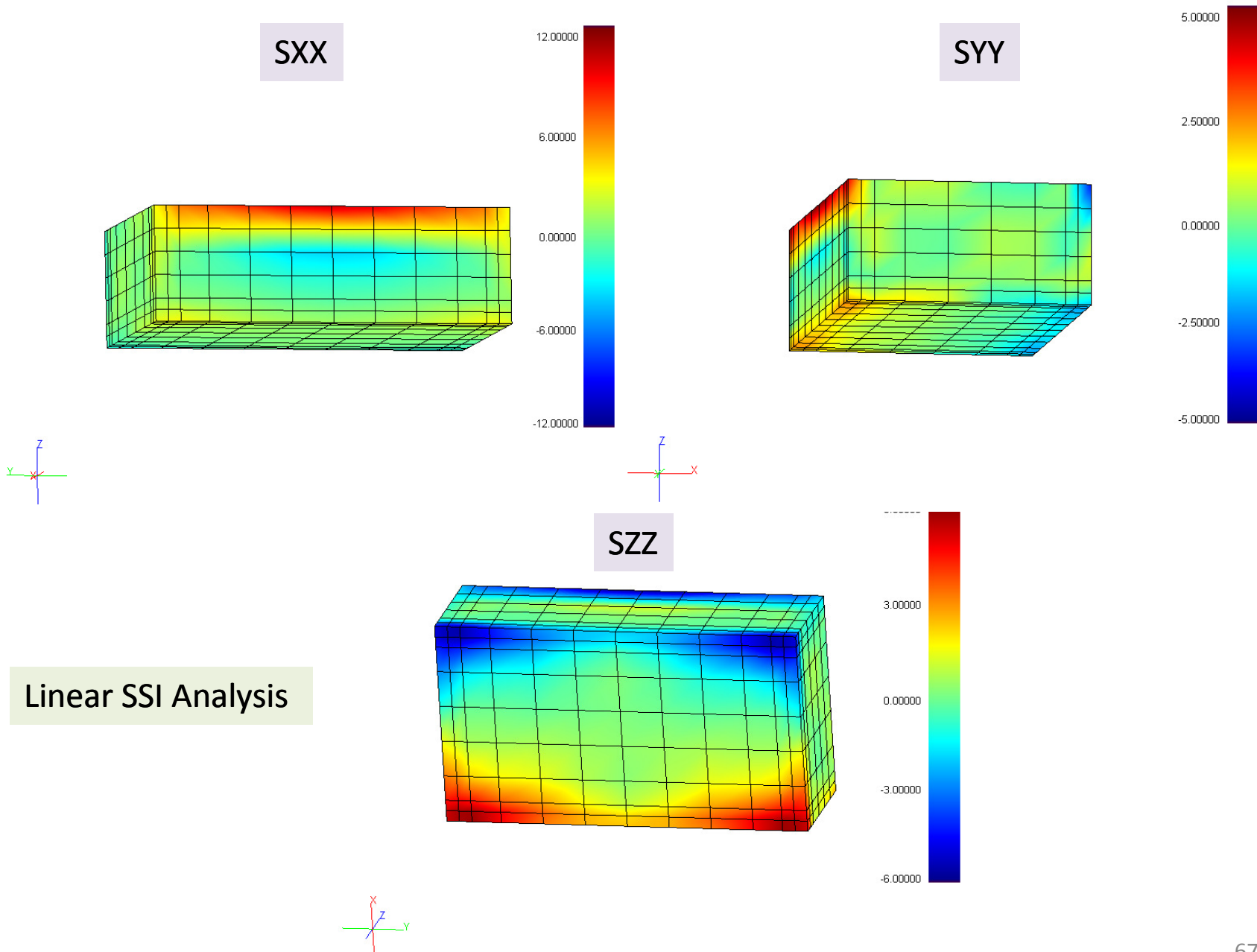
Average Nodal Stresses Von Misses

← Compression Side View

Tension Side View →

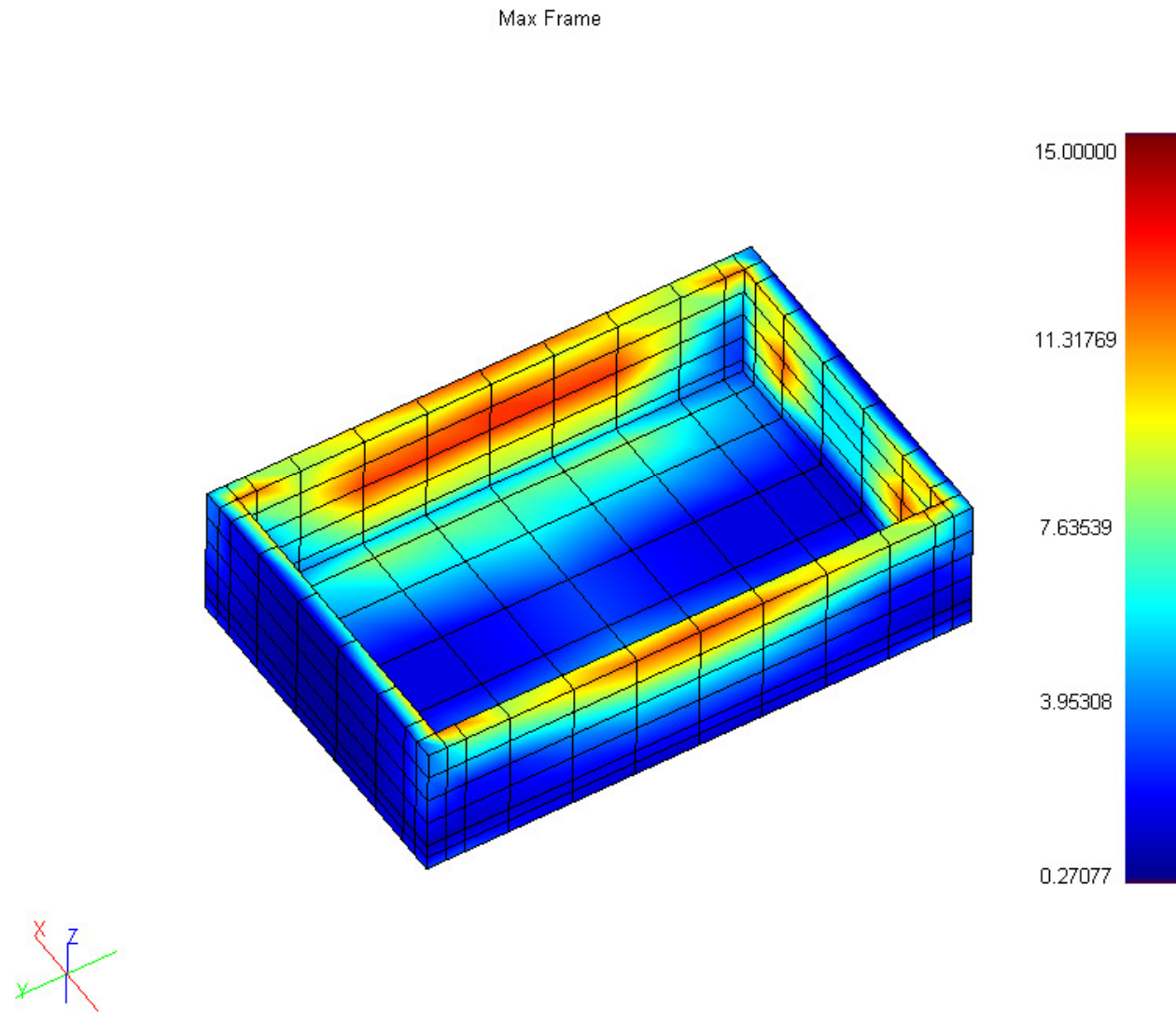


ACS SASSI Seismic Soil Pressures for X-Input (Frame 903)



ACS SASSI Maximum Seismic Soil Pressures for X-Input

Nodal SXX Stress Contours in Adjacent Soil Elements

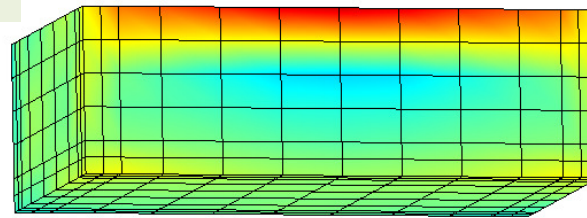


ACS SASSI Seismic Soil Pressures for X-Input (Frame 903)

ACS SASSI
Element Center
Stress

SXX

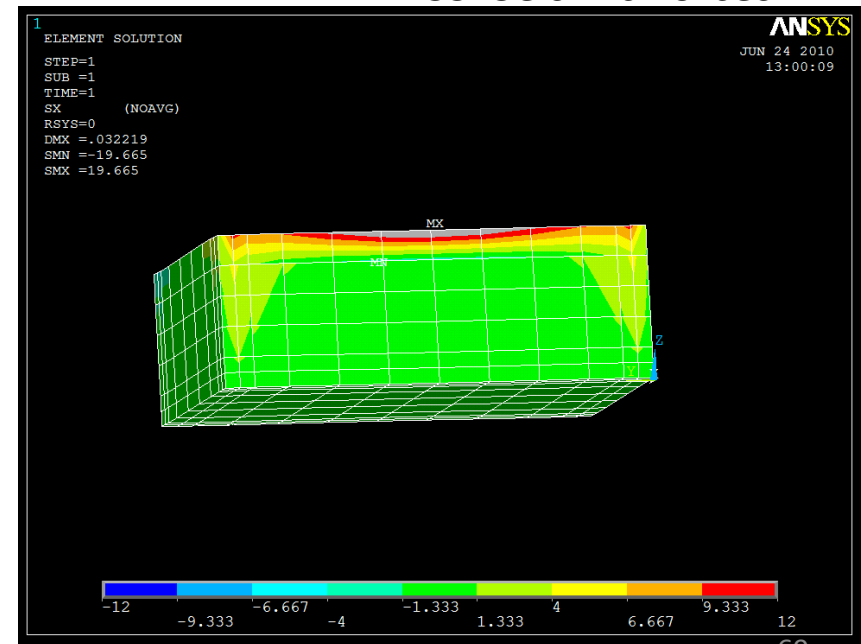
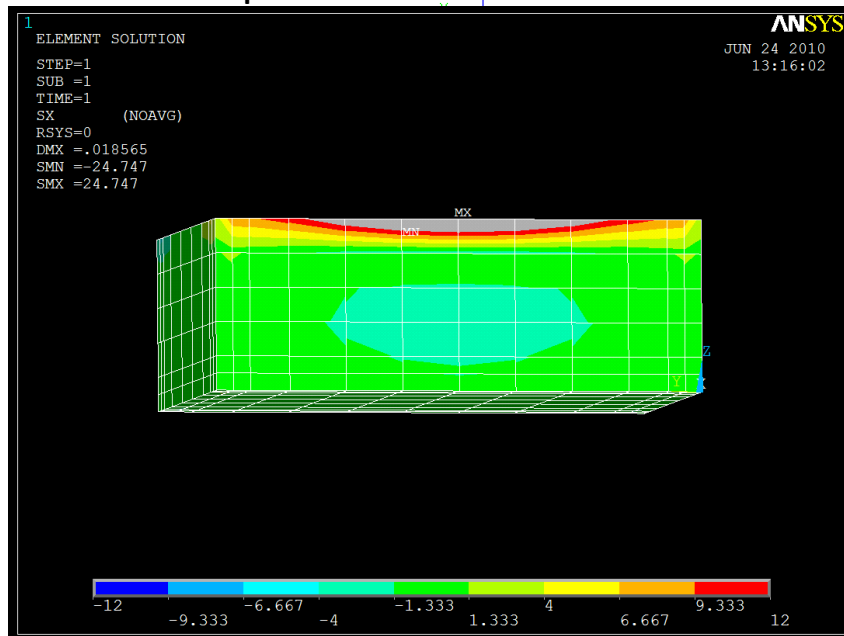
ANSYS
Element Node
Stress



Linear SSI Analysis

SSI Displacements wrt Free-Field

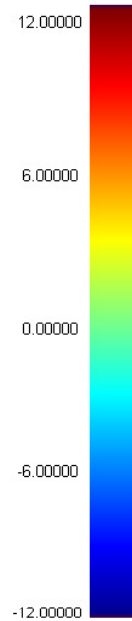
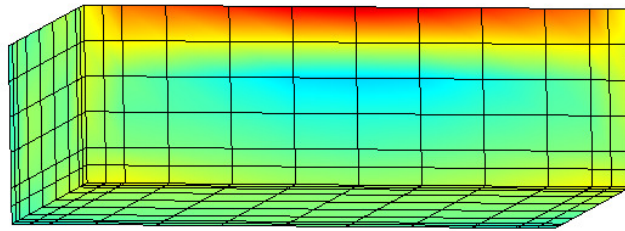
SSI Seismic Forces



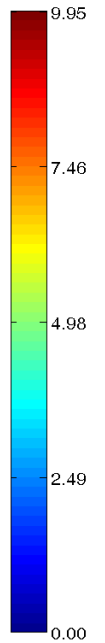
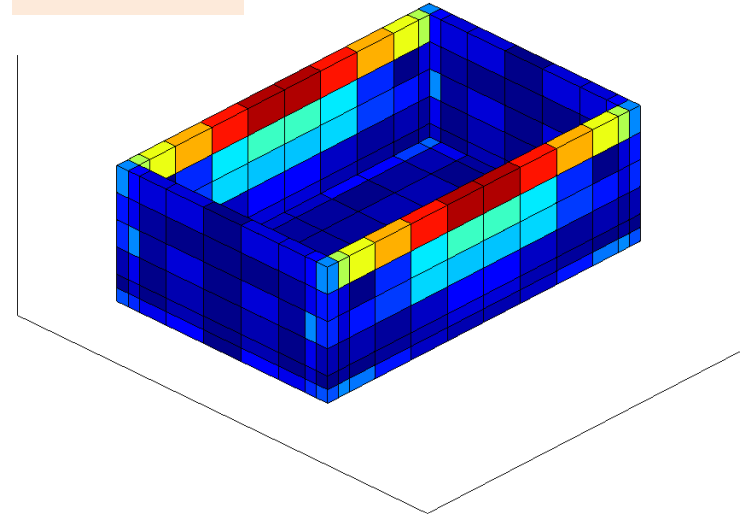
ACS SASSI and ANSYS Element Stresses for X-Input (Frame 903)

Linear SSI Analysis

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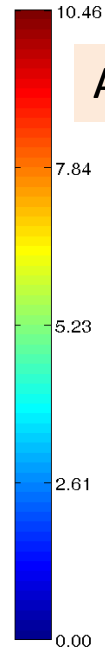
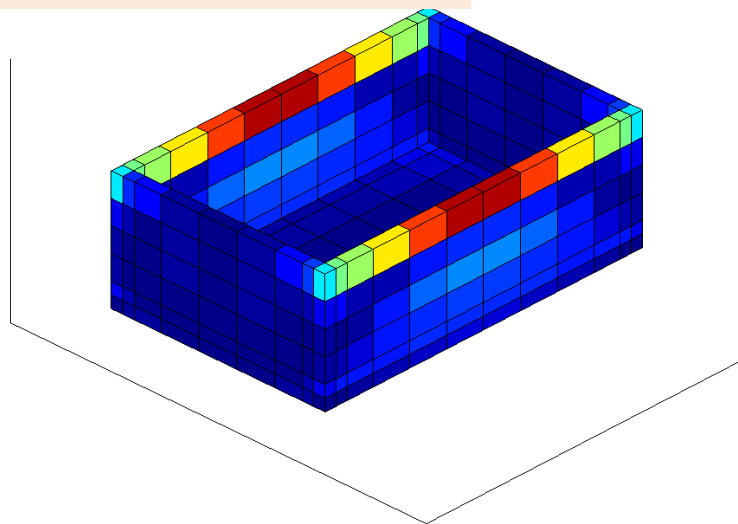


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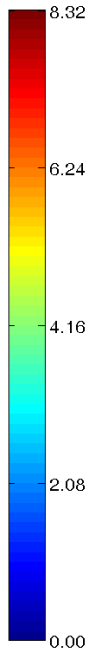
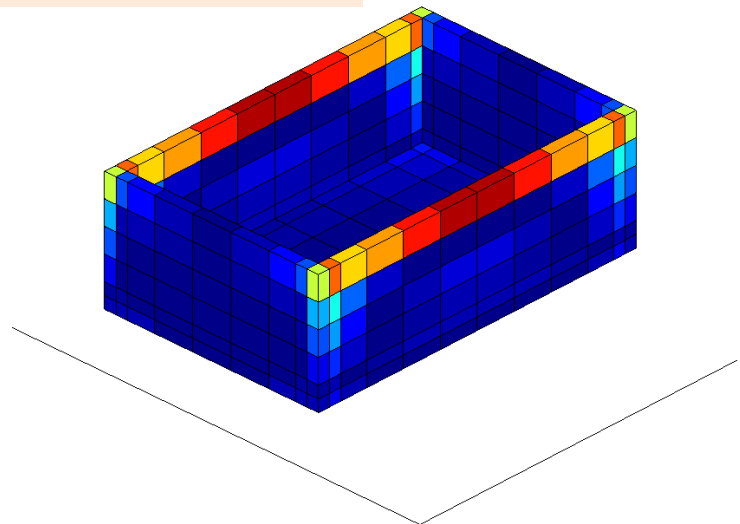
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ANSYS Displacements Input



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ANSYS Forces Input

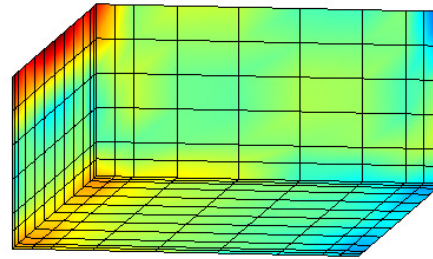


ACS SASSI Seismic Soil Pressures for X-Input (Frame 903)

ACS SASSI
Element Center
Stress

SYX

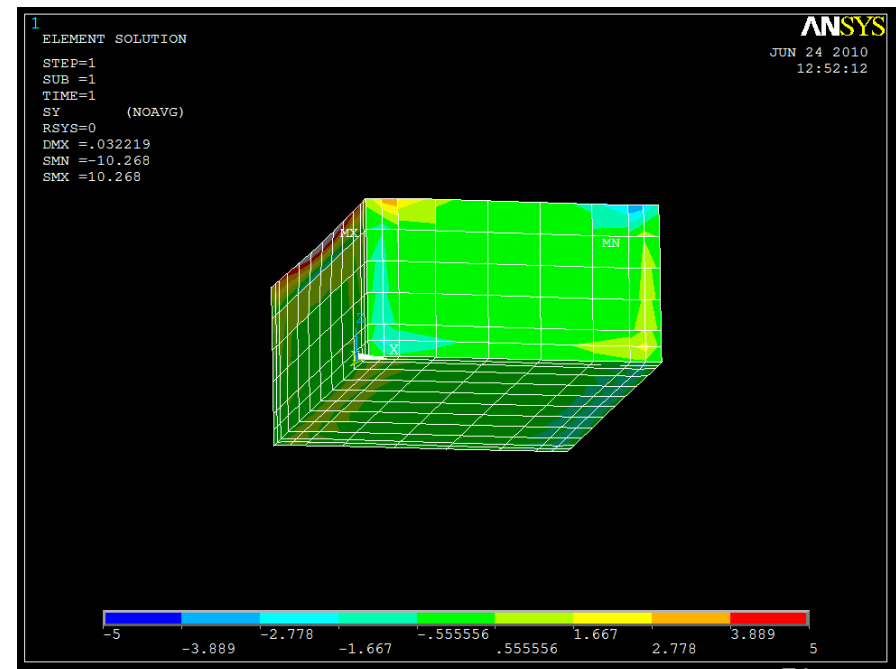
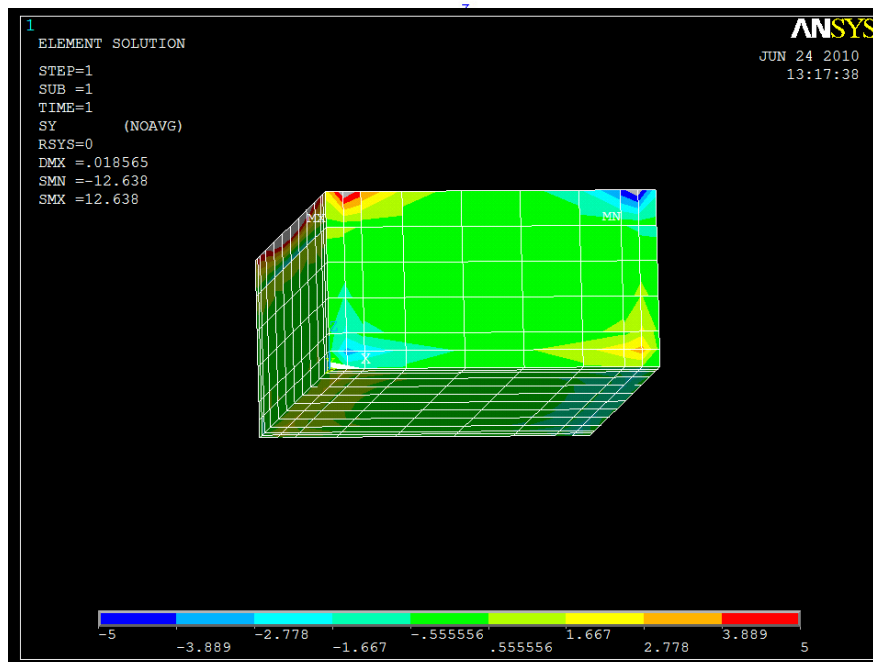
ANSYS
Element Node
Stress



Linear SSI Analysis

SSI Displacements wrt Free-Field

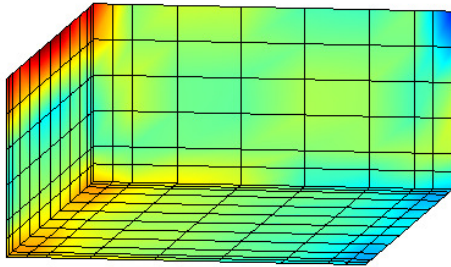
SSI Seismic Forces



ACS SASSI and ANSYS Element Stresses for X-Input (Frame 903)

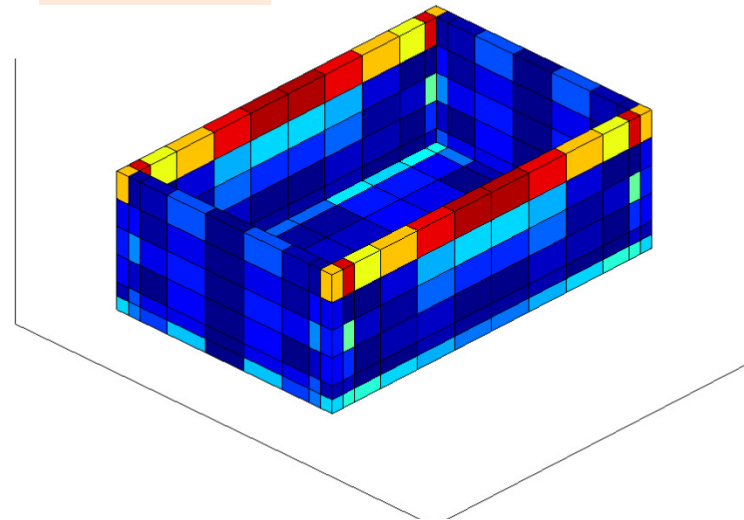
Linear SSI Analysis

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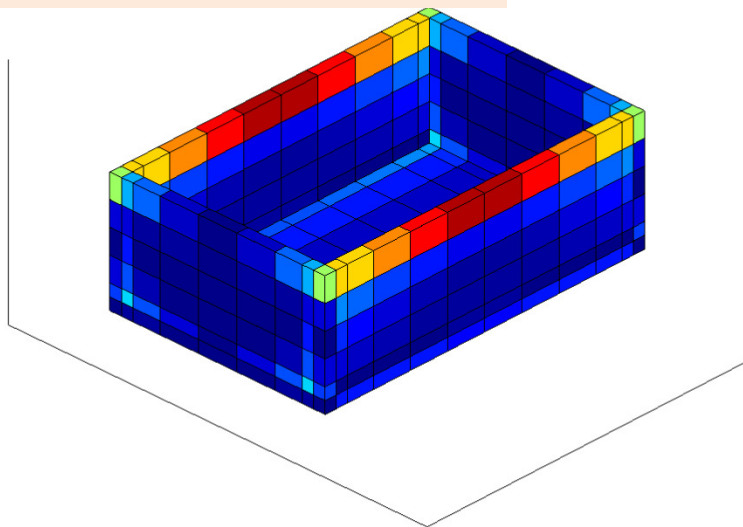
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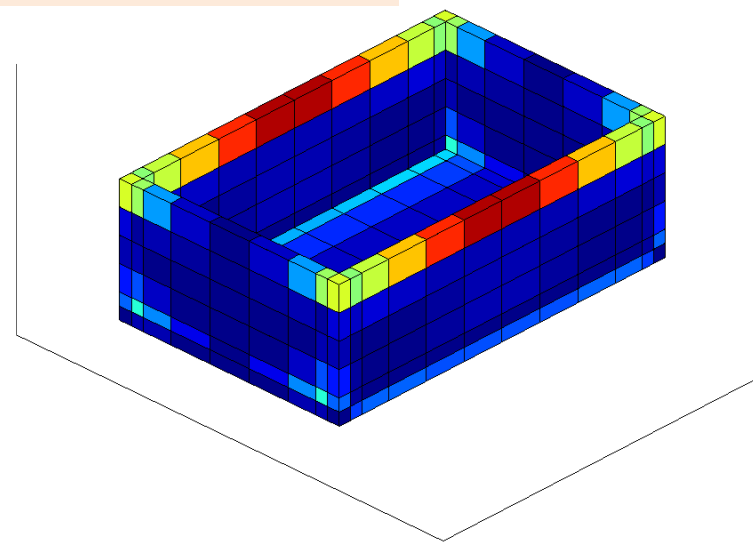


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ANSYS Displacements Input



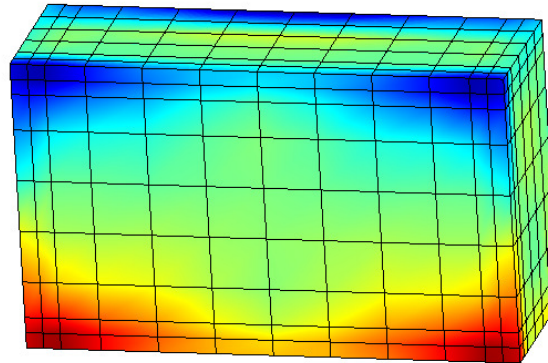
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ACS SASSI Seismic Soil Pressures for X-Input (Frame 903)

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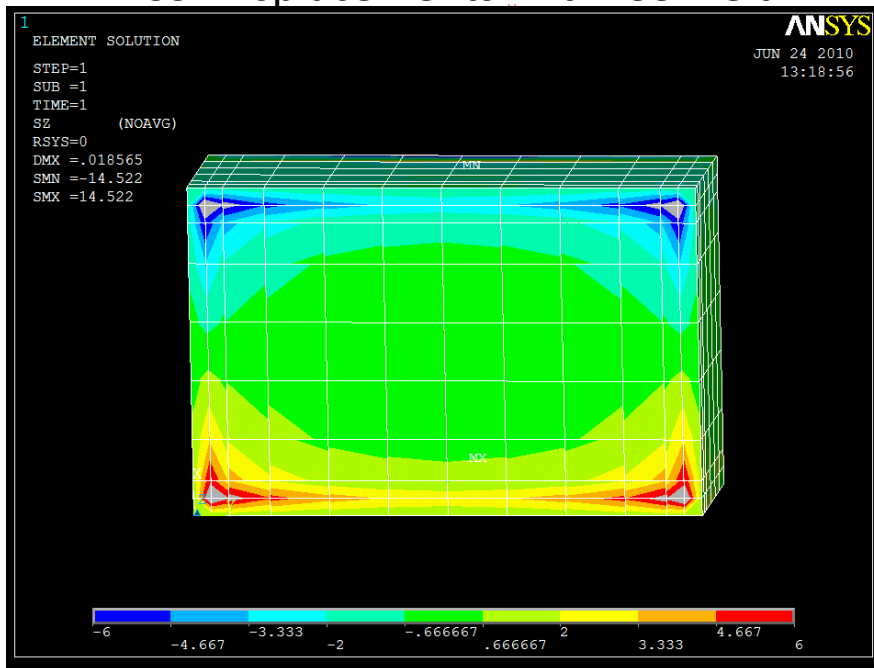
ACS SASSI
Element Center
Stress



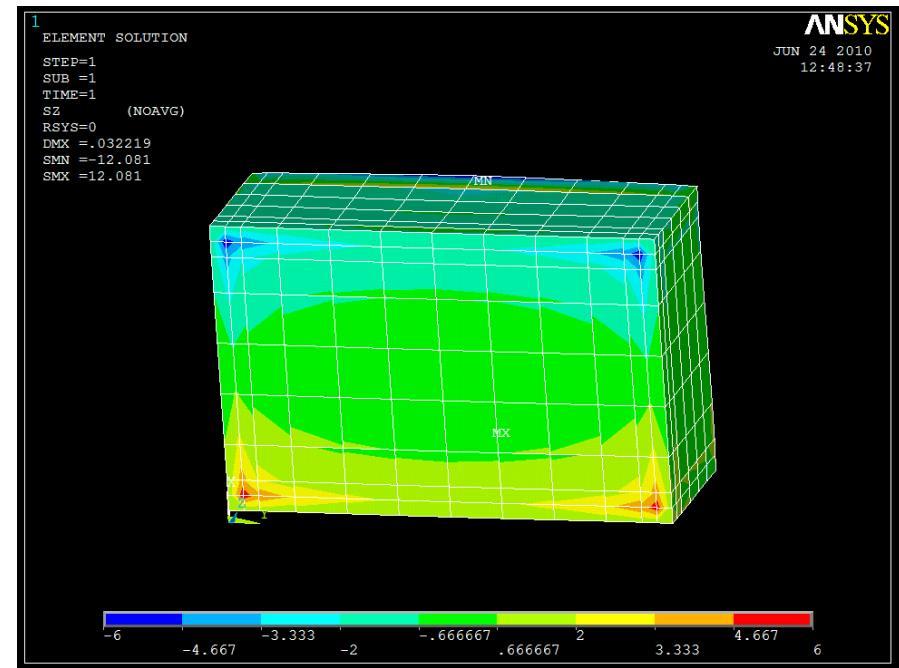
Linear SSI Analysis

ANSYS
Element Node
Stress

SSI Displacements wrt Free-Field



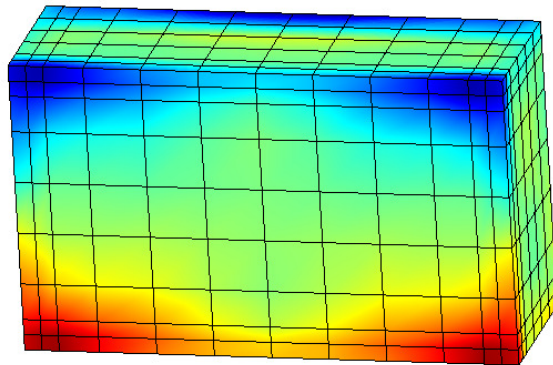
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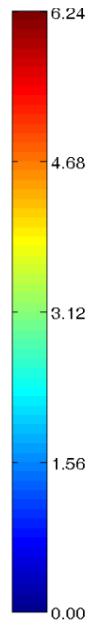
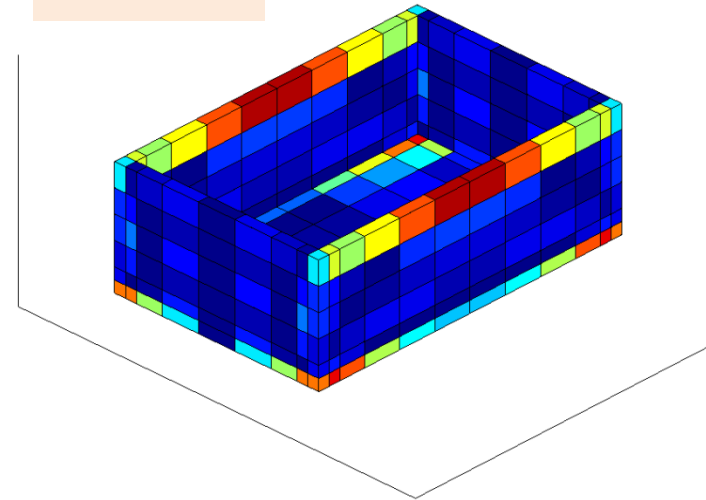
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Linear SSI Analysis

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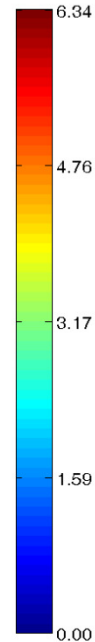
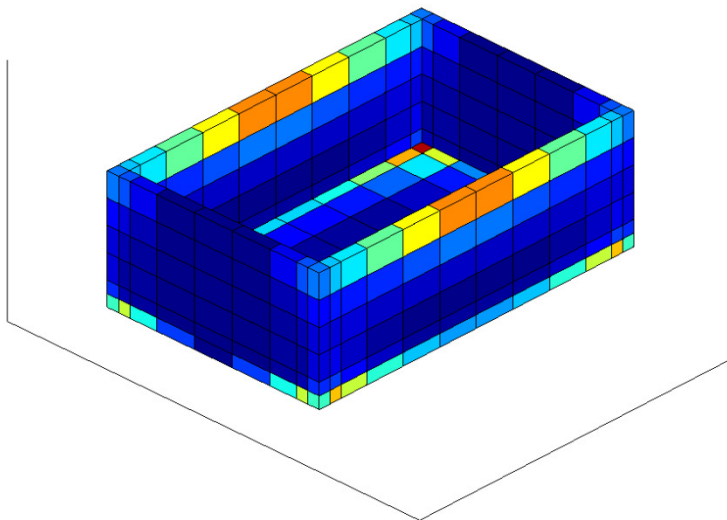


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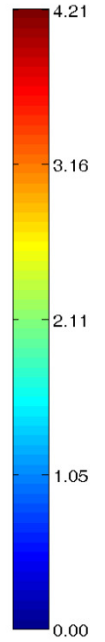
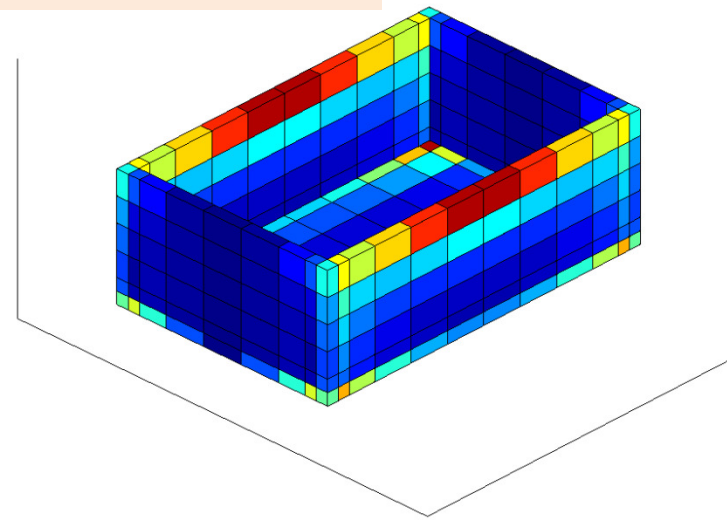
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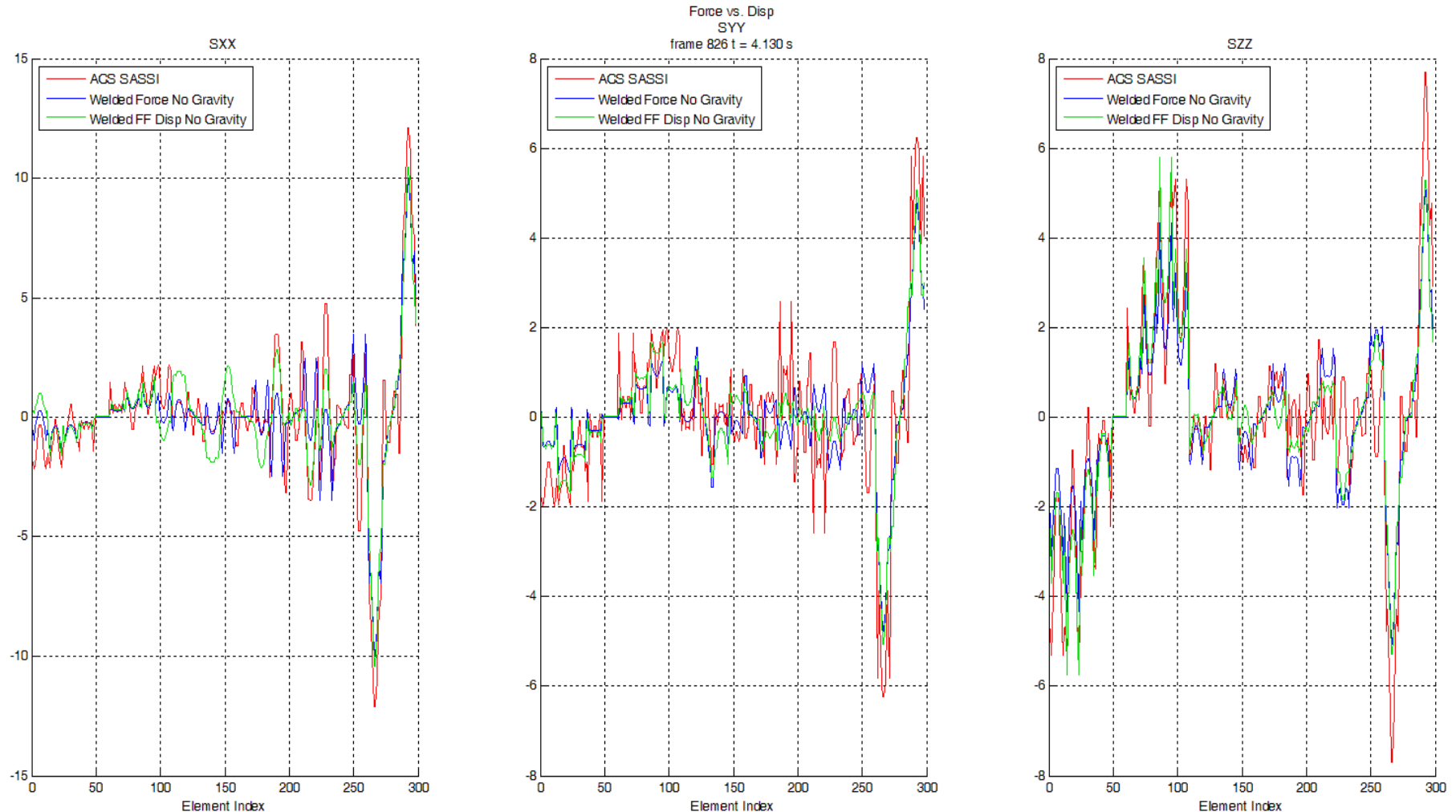
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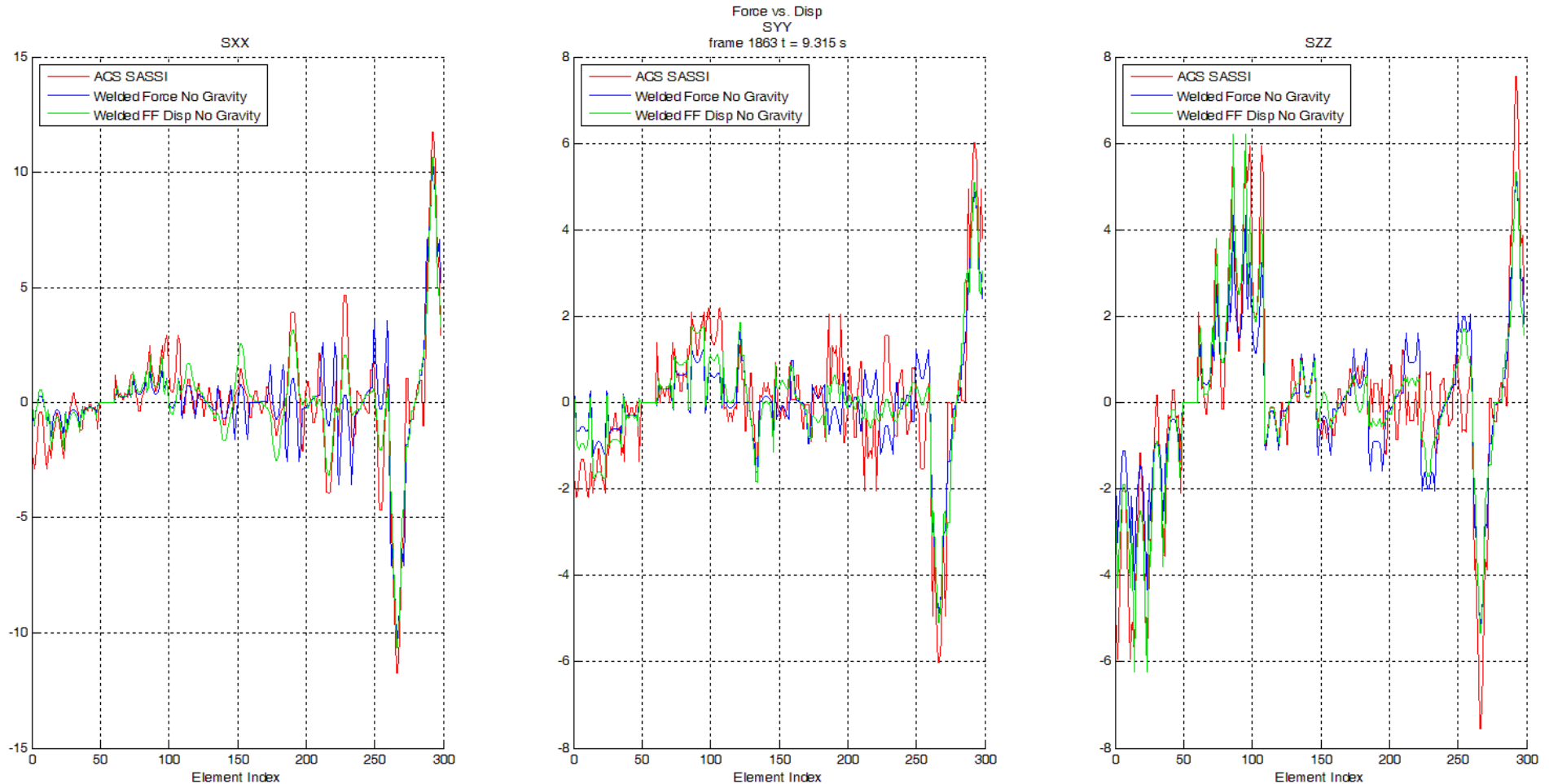
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Element Center Stresses SXX, SYX, SZZ



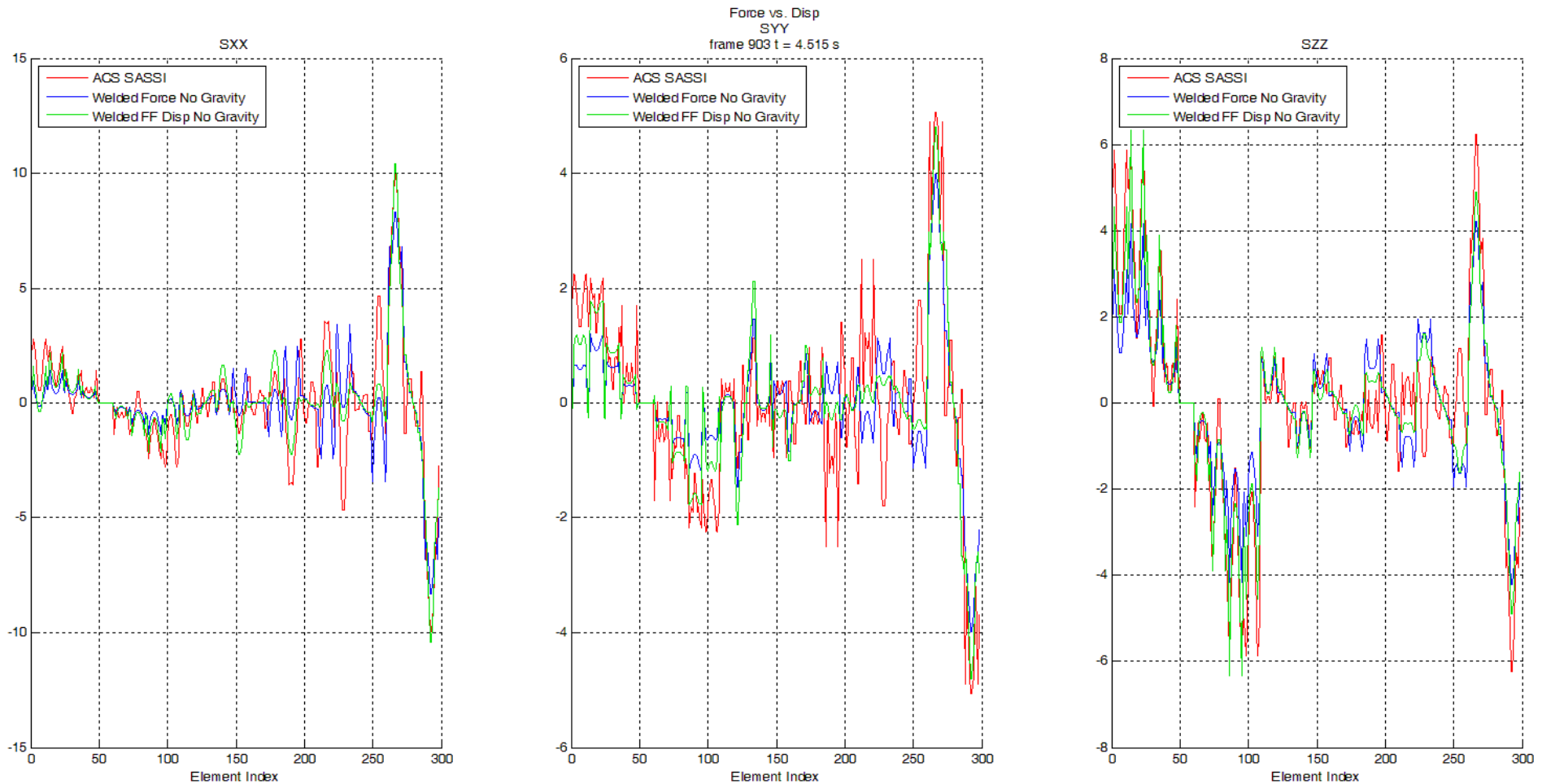
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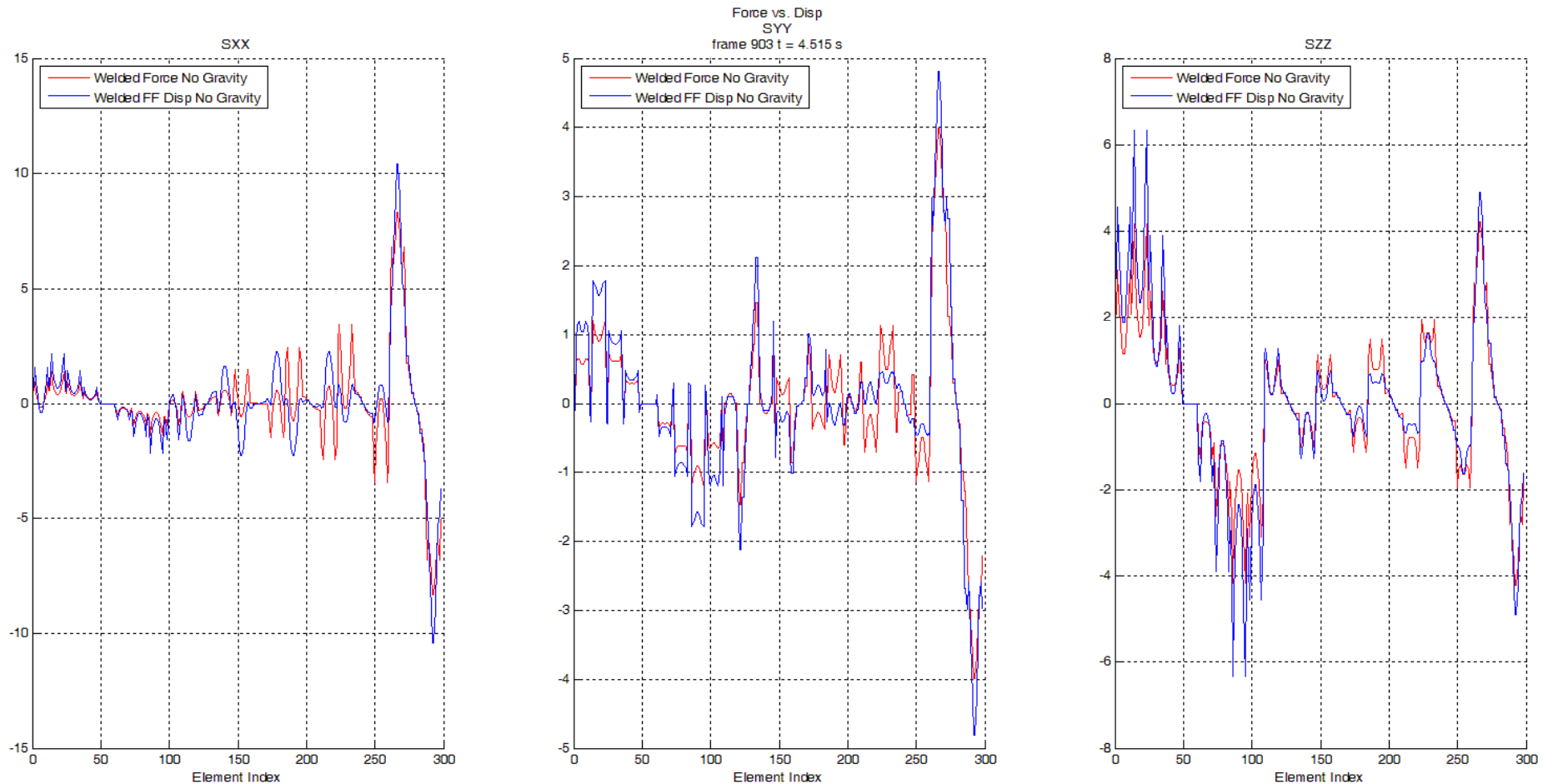
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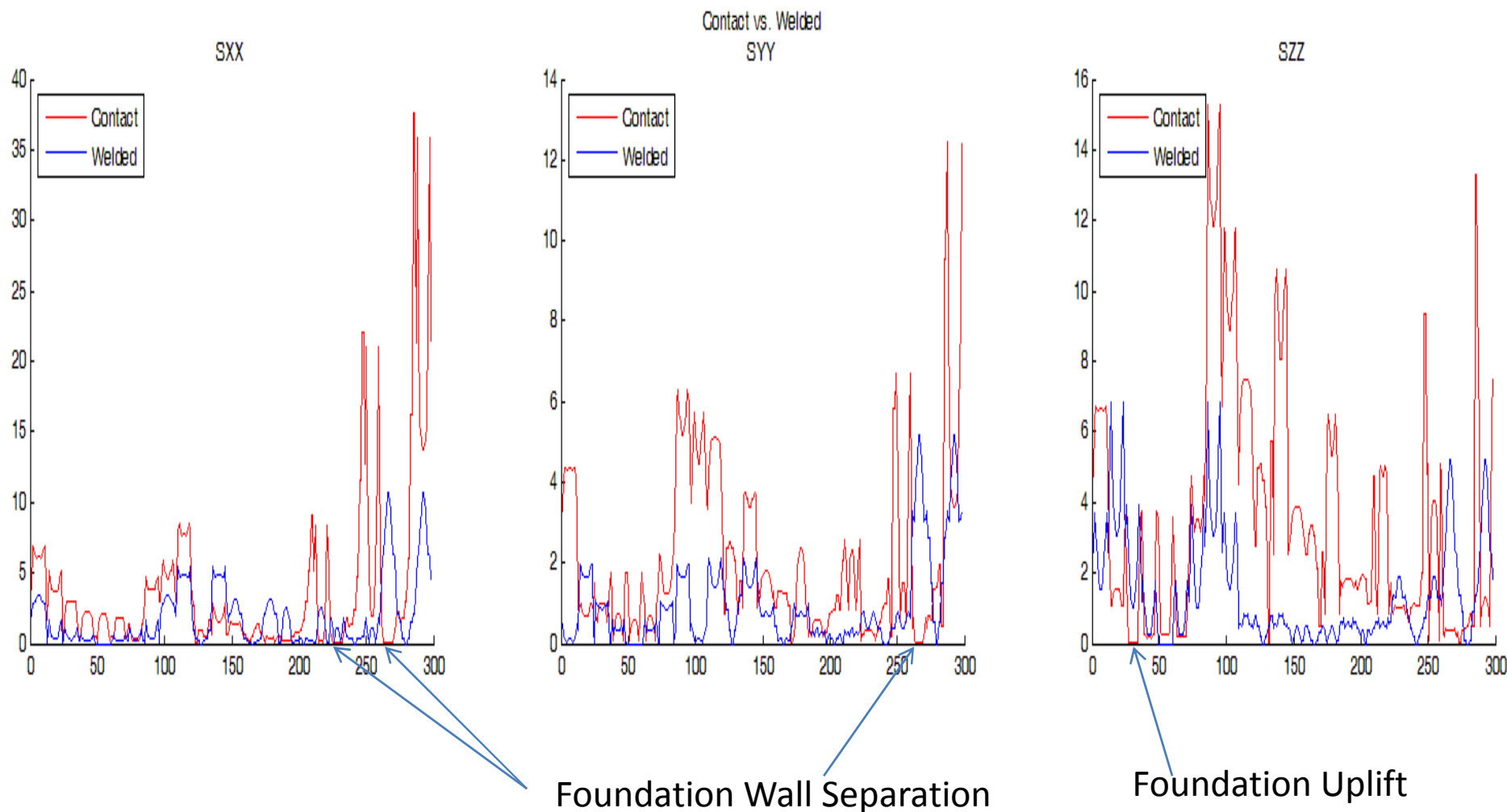
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Effects of SSI Soil Separation for X-Input (Frame 903)

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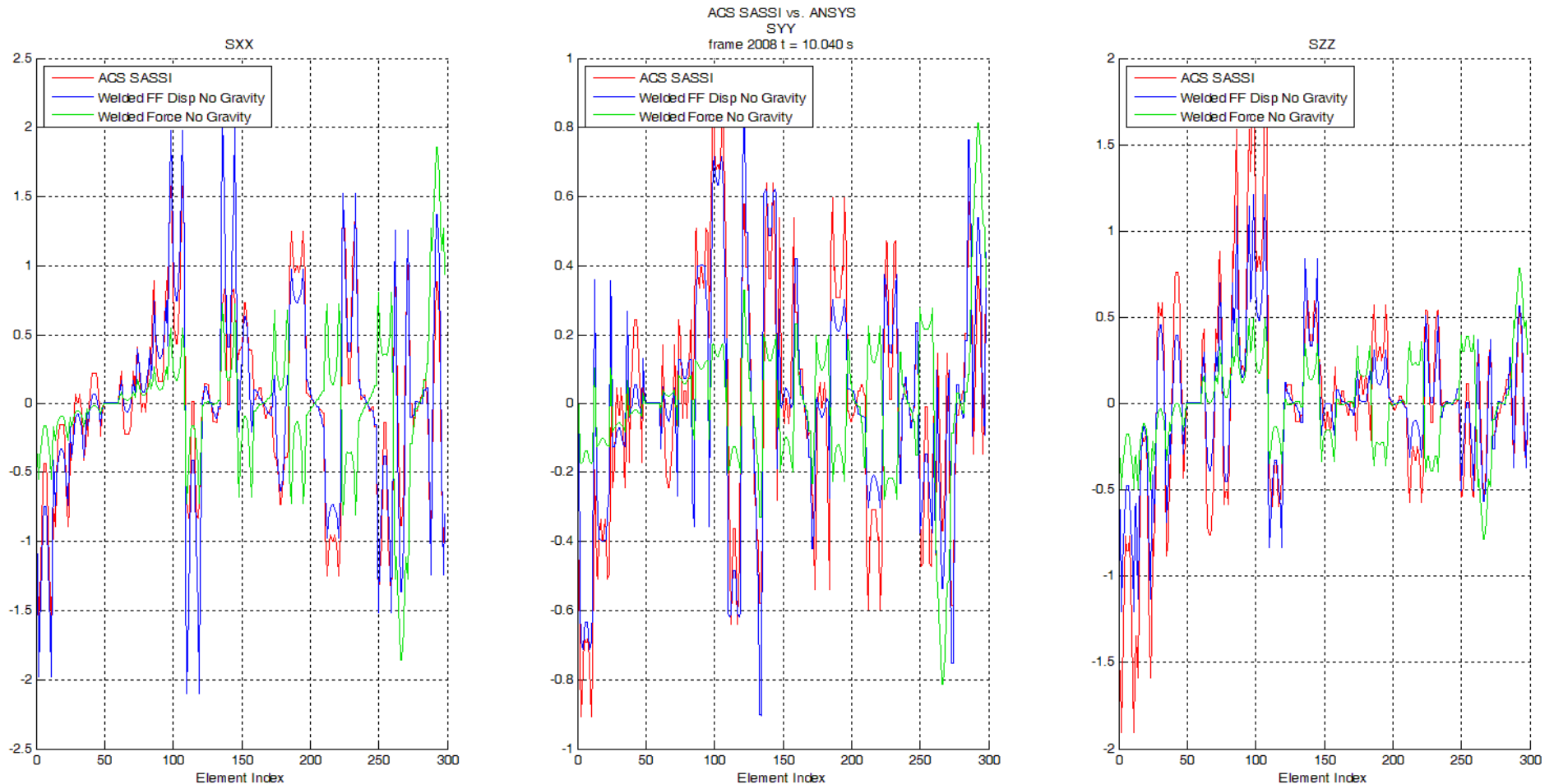
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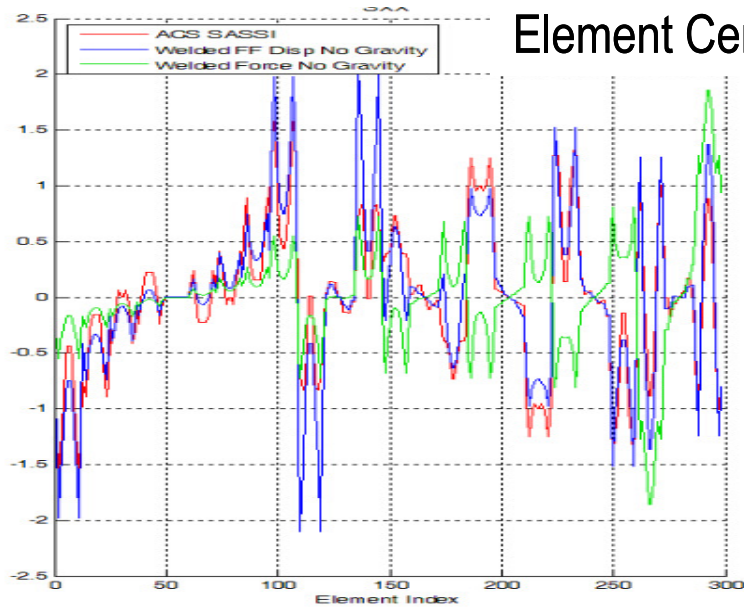
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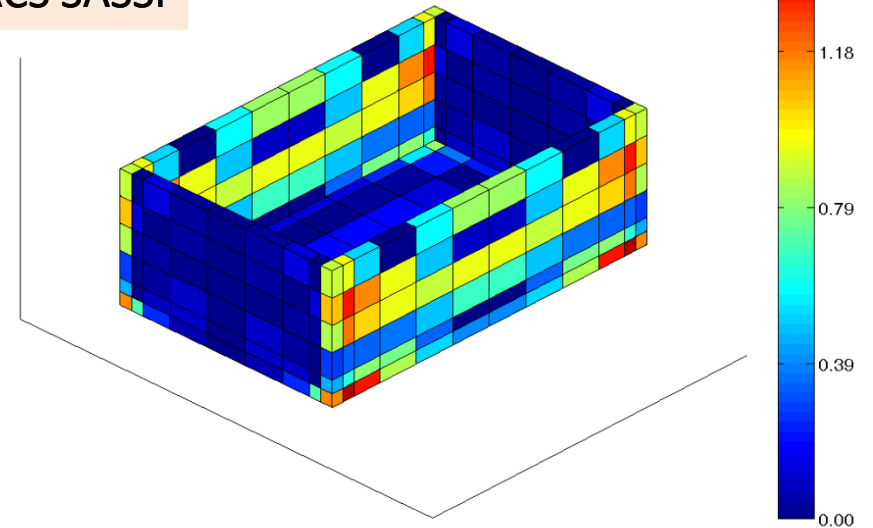
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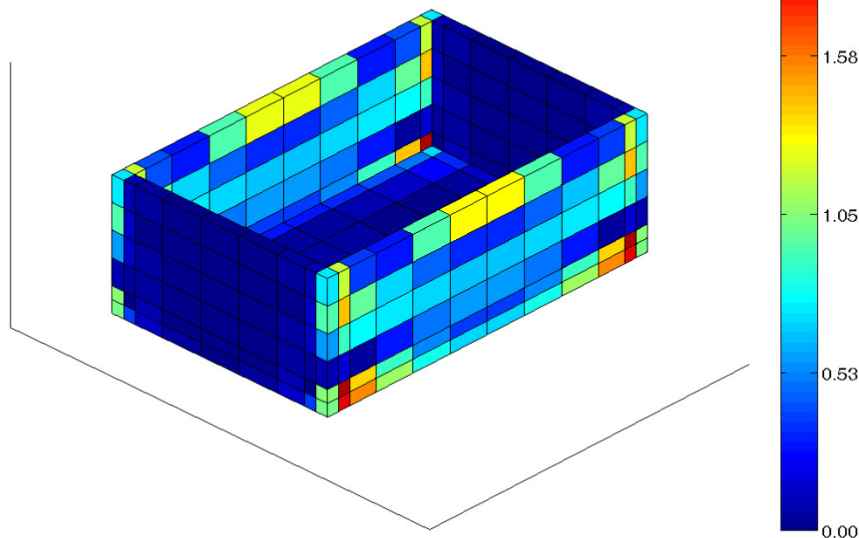


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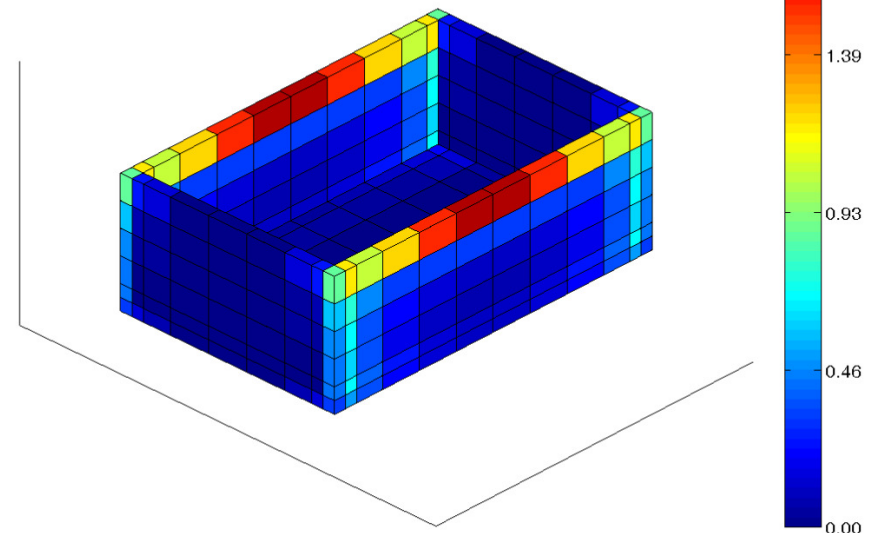
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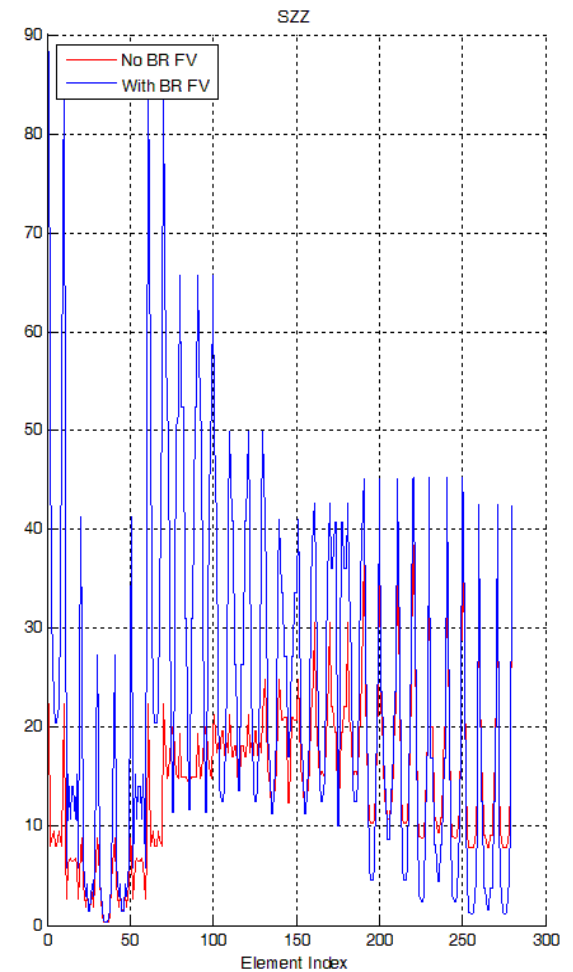
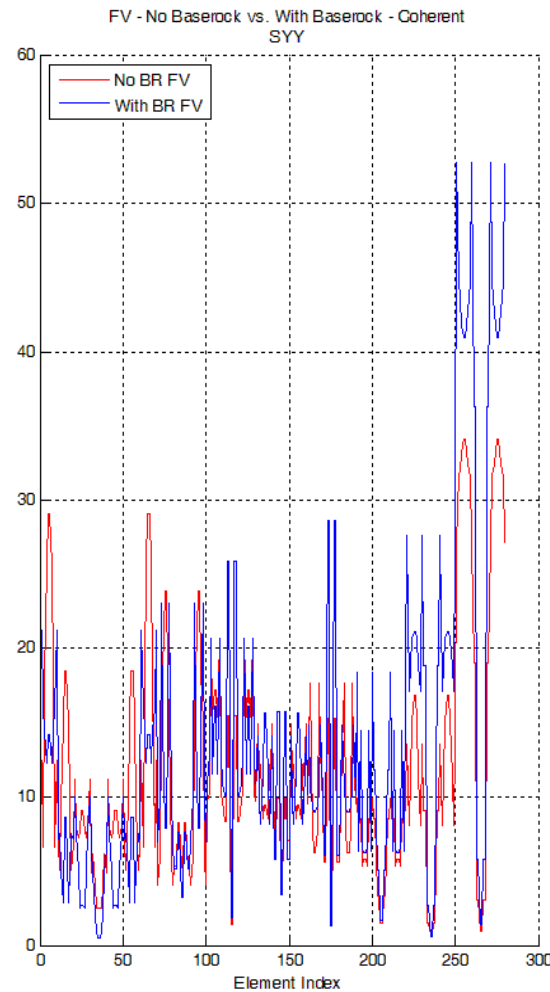
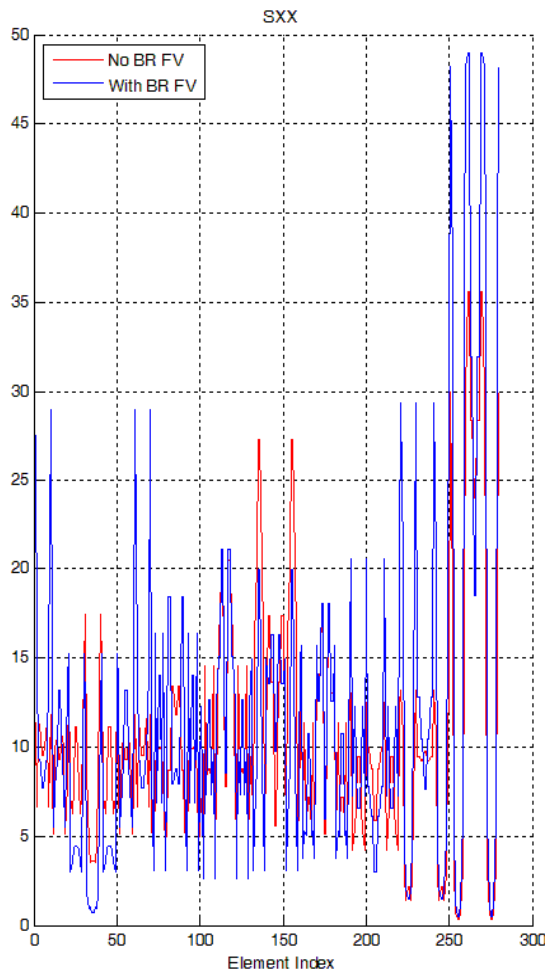
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Seismic Pressures for X-Input (Frame 903) Using FV method

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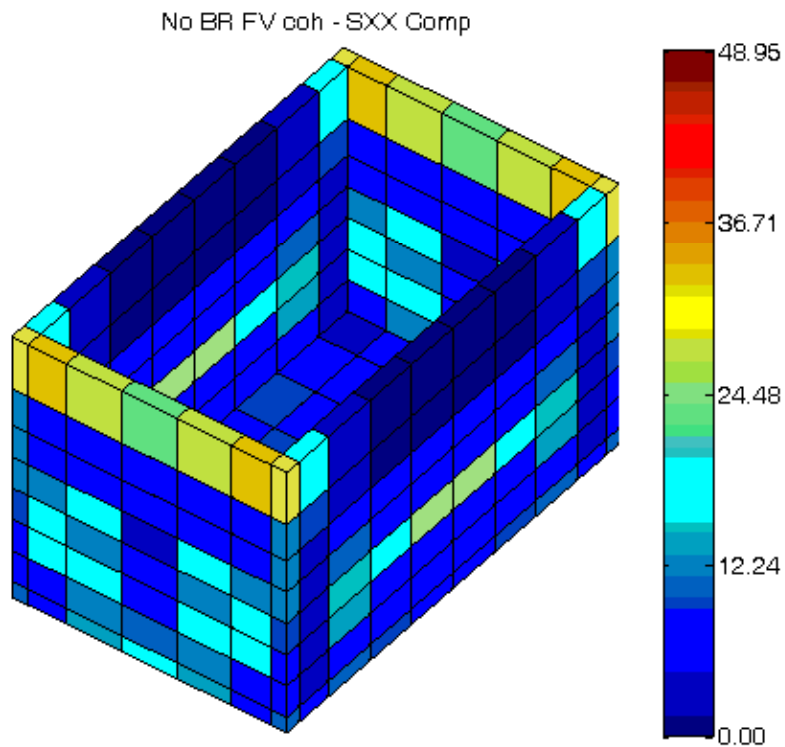
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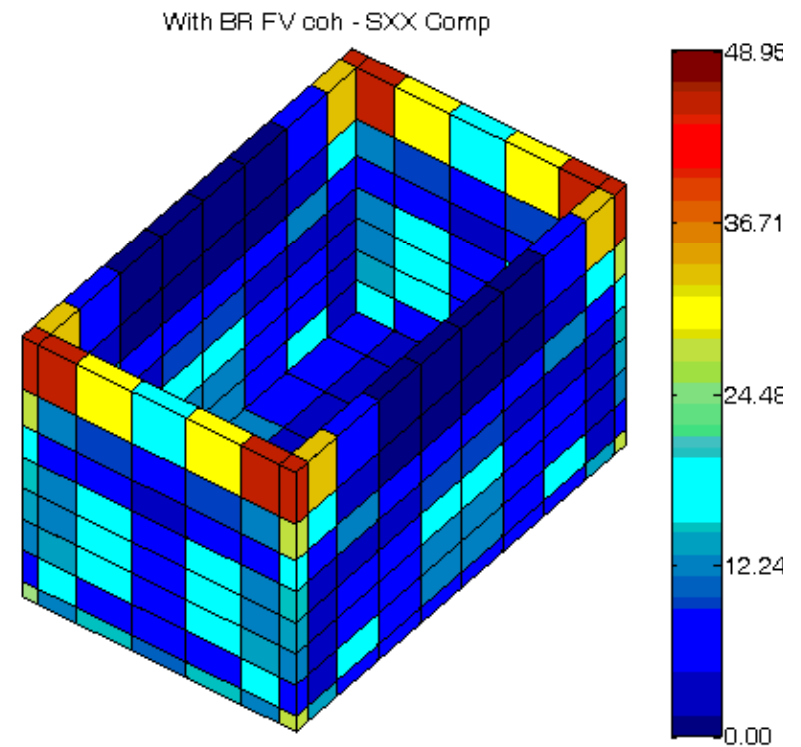
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Element Center Stresses SXX



Half-space

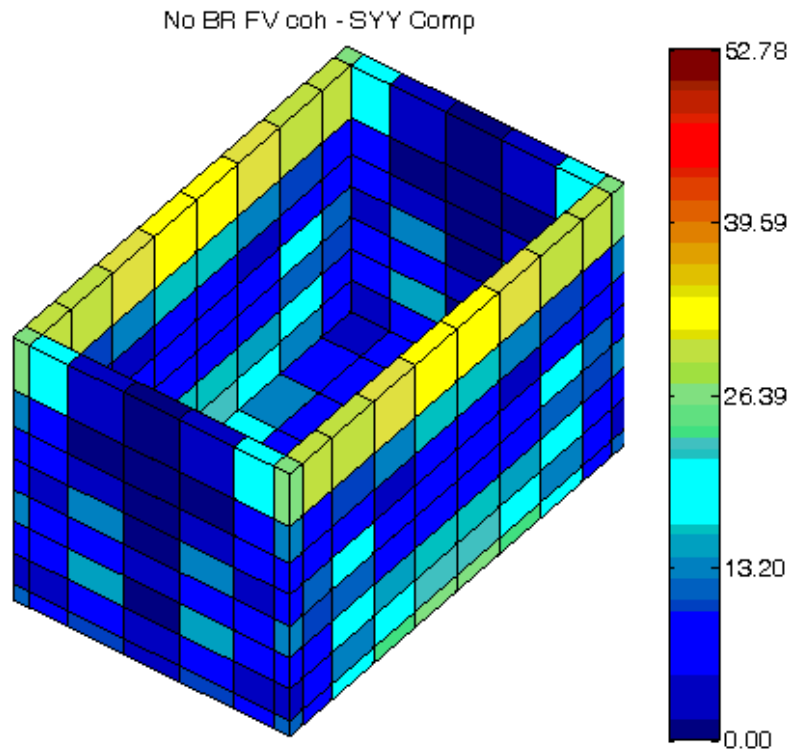


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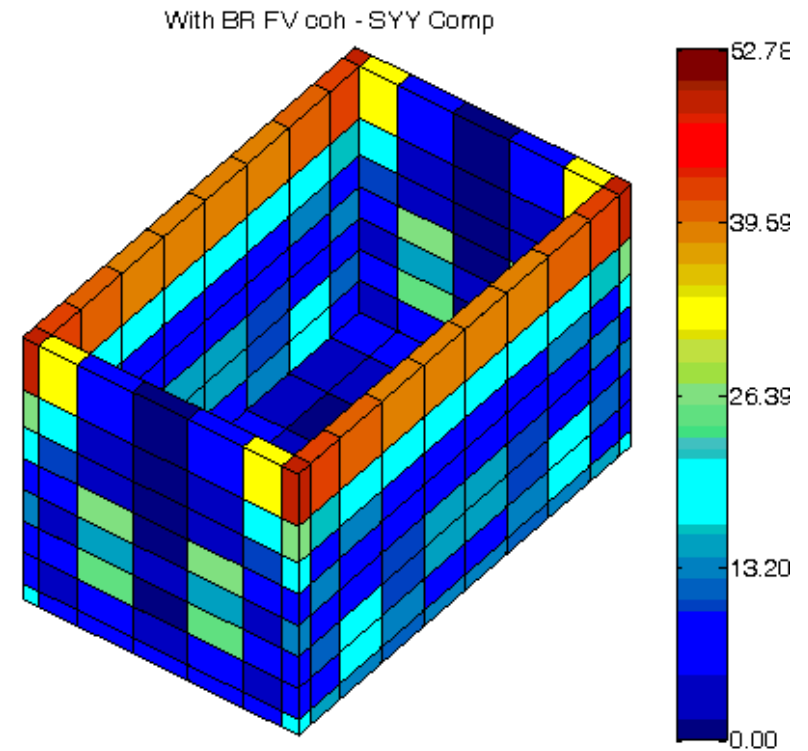
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Element Center Stresses S_{YY}



Half-space

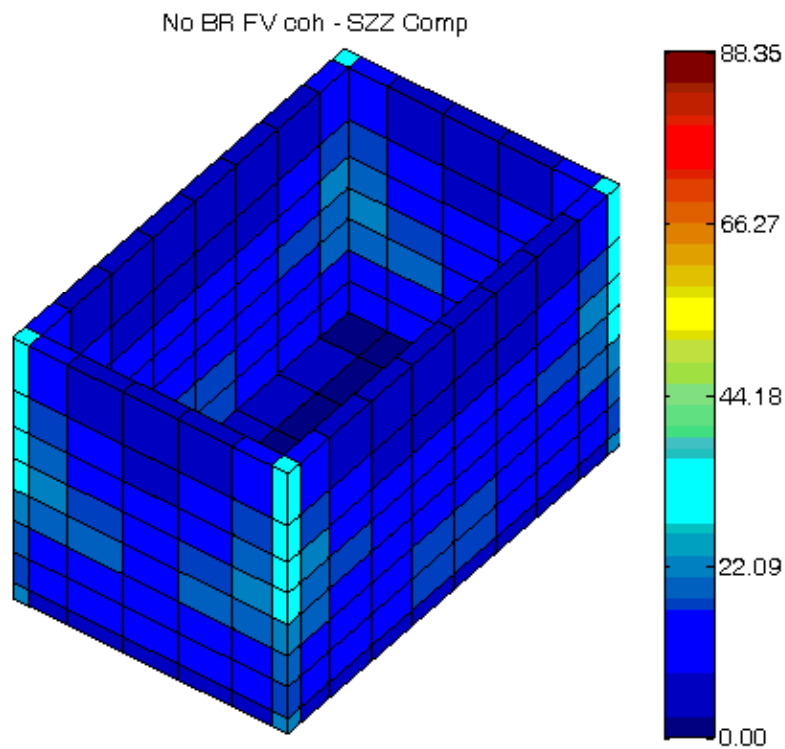


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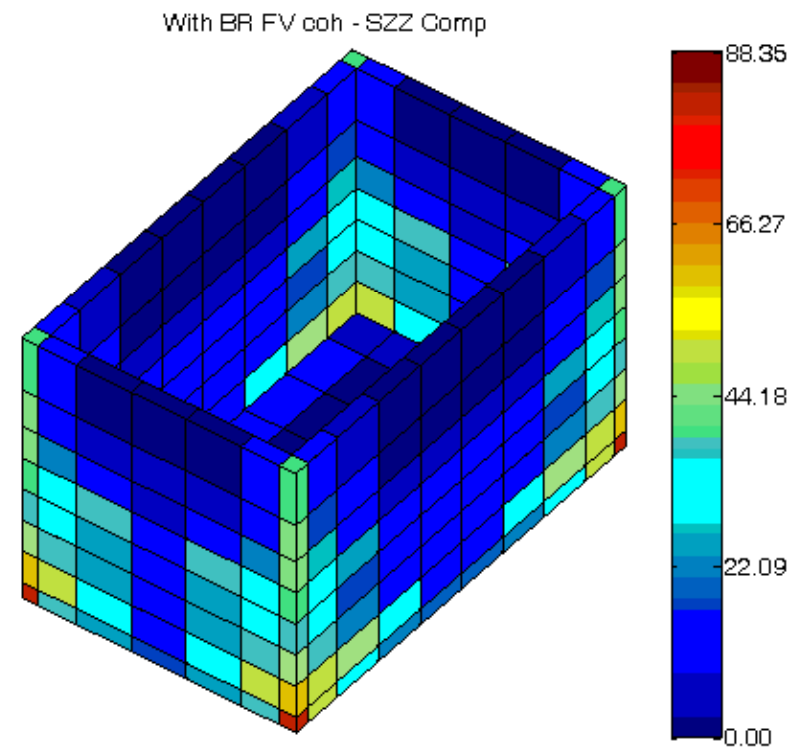
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Element Center Stresses SZZ



Half-space



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